## A Literature Review on Medicinal and Other Uses of *Crinum* asiaticum L. (Tholabo)

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Crinum asiaticum L. (Family: Amaryllidaceae; Sinhala Name: Tholabo) is a large bulbous herb. It is well known among people in rural areas in Sri Lanka because of its various medicinal values and usage in traditional ceremonies. Traditional Physicians use this plant for internal and external medicinal preparations in combination with other medicaments for various conditions. The present study was carried out to collect information about medicinal and other uses of Crinum asiaticum L. (Tholabo). Details about this plant are gathered from Authentic Ayurveda texts, Sri Lankan Traditional medical books, books on plant science, traditional physicians, civilians and web search. Antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, anti-platelet, antinociceptive, analgesic, thrombolytic Anti bacterial, antimalarial, antic-cancer, inducing tumor cell apoptosis, protection of cardiovascular system and cytotoxic properties are scientifically proven through various researches in this plant. Due to its various properties it can be used in medicinal remedies for various acute and chronic diseases such as cough, dyspnoea, diseases in alimentary tract, skin diseases etc. Crinum asiaticum L. (Tholabo) is a plant with multifaceted medicinal values.

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