

## ABSTRACT

### Medicinal plants trade in the city of Pondicherry

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This study aims to understand medicinal plant trade in a geographical perspective. I will first draw up an inventory of the plants sold at the Pondicherry market, including their names (vernacular and botanical) and therapeutic indications (local idioms). This approach will be complemented by the study of the trade network, from shopkeeper to collector, through various intermediary structures. The overall aim of this project is to establish a cartography of the market zone and to explore the notion of social and geographic space as it relates to sale and consumption.