

CONSTITUENTS OF *CENTAUREA* SPECIES

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مكونات نباتات السنتاوريا

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تشتهر نباتات السنتاوريا بأحتوائها على سيسكويتربينات لاكتونية وفلافونويدات وبعض هذه المكونات لها تأثيرات بيولوجية مختلفة .

يتناول هذا البحث عرضاً شاملاً للمكونات المختلفة في هذه النباتات (سيسكويتربينات لاكتونية - تربينات ثلاثية - كاروتينات - ستيرويدات هيدروكربونات - فلافونويدات - انثوسيانينات - أحماض عضوية - قلويدات - بولي اسيتيلينات - كومارينات - ليجنانات) ، كما يتناول البحث عرضاً للاستخدامات الطبية لهذه النباتات والخواص البيولوجية للمواد المفصولة منها .

Key Words: *Centaurea*, Sesquiterpenes, Triterpenes, Carotenoids, Steroids, Hydrocarbons, Flavonoids, Anthocyanins, Organic acids, Alkaloids, Polyacetylenes, Coumarins, Lignans, Biological activities.

ABSTRACT

A comprehensive review of *Centaurea* species including all the isolated constituents is given. The biological activities of the studied species are also reported.

INTRODUCTION

The family Compositae (Asteraceae) is the largest family of the flowering plants. It includes about 13 tribes, 1,000 genera and 23,000 species. The tribe *Cynarea* of the family Compositae is divided into four subtribes viz. *Carduinea*, *Carlinae*, *Centaureinae* and *Echinopsidae*. The subtribe *Centaureinae* is the largest tribe since it comprises a large number of plant genera specially *Centaurea*.

The family Compositae, has been a subject of interest in the past few years to several phytochemical and pharmacological investigations, because of its potentially medical and/or economical constituents. Phytochemical studies of the tribe *Centaureinae*, revealed that volatile and non-volatile terpenoids, acetylenes, and flavonoids were the major constituents.

Of the terpenoids, the sesquiterpene lactones predominate over the other terpenoids. The *Centaureinae*, particularly *Centaurea* species are characterized by the occurrence of sesquiterpene lactones of the guaianolide and germacranolide types. Recently, some elemanolides and eudesmanolides have also been isolated from *Centaurea* species^{81-83,89,91,94,183}.

BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITIES

Centaurea spp. have been used in folk medicine by the natives of some countries as diuretic, antifebrile, antimalarial, mild astringent, stomachic, bitter tonic, digestive, cytotoxic, phytotoxic, antineoplastic, allergenic and emmenagogue. Aslo, certain

species that cause livestock poisoning have been reported¹². For example *C. aspera* was reported to cause hypoglycemia in rats¹⁷⁻¹¹⁸, *C. follocoa* has antimicrobial activity, *C. maculosa* was reported to maintain activities against microorganisms¹⁷³, *C. phyllocephala* has antibacteric, toxic as well as hypoglycemic effects^{110,173}, *C. stenophylla* was reported to be used as a hypoglycemic agent¹¹⁸, and *C. solistitialis* has toxic allelopathic, cytotoxic, phytotoxic, and causes unique nigropallida encephalomalacia in horses known as "Chewing Disease".

SESQUITERPENE LACTONES

This review covers 132 *Centaurea* species, 82 of them contained sesquiterpene lactones. These are listed in (Table 1). Some of these sesquiterpene lactones have been shown to be biologically active. One of the most exciting findings, is the marked cytostatic activity of chlorinated sesquiterpene lactones, namely, chlorohyssopifolins (1a, 1b, 1c, 1d and 3a) which have been isolated from *C. aegyptiaca*^{65,165}, *C. adjarica*¹³⁸, *C. bella*³⁸⁻⁹, *C. carthalinica*^{137,139}, *C. colichica*³⁹, *C. dealbata*^{137,139}, *C. exurgens*³⁹, *C. hypoleuca*¹³⁹, *C. hyrcanica*^{67,86,139}, *C. hyssopifolia*^{51,77,81,82,84,86,137,139,157}, *C. incana*^{86,125}, *C. janeri*³⁹, *C. karabaghensis*³⁹, *C. linifolia*^{86,87,90,137,139}, *C. nigra*^{81,86,139}, *C. picris*^{86,137}, *C. pullata*⁸¹, *C. repens*^{51,55,57,67,73,84,86,123,125,136,168, 169}, *C. sinaica*^{12,13,166}, *C. solistitialis*^{51,127,137,139,160,163,169}, *C. somchetica*³⁹, *C. taochia*³⁹ and *C. zangezuri*^{37,139}. Cynaropicrin (2i) and deacylcynaropicrin were also reported to suppress cytotoxic activities⁹⁰. Cnicin was reported as a hypoglycemic¹⁰⁹, phytotoxic¹¹¹ agent and has antibacterial activity^{4, 109}.

Table 1
Sesquiterpene lactones of *centaurea* species

Sesquiterpene Lactone	Structure #	Species	References
8 α -acetoxydehydrocostus lactone	6a	<i>C. chilensis</i>	135
		<i>C. floccosa</i>	135
15-acetylartemissifolin	26b	<i>C. seridis</i>	80, 86
		<i>C. sonchifolia</i>	94
acroptin	18	<i>C. repens</i>	73
aguerin A	2e	<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	91
		<i>C. canariensis</i>	54, 88
		<i>C. sevennii</i>	88
aguerin B	2f	<i>C. alata</i>	137
		<i>C. arguta</i>	73
		<i>C. behen</i>	137, 141, 158
		<i>C. canariensis</i>	86, 88, 92, 140
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	86, 137
		<i>C. ragusina</i>	121
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	87, 88, 137
		<i>C. repens</i>	168
		<i>C. sevennii</i>	86, 88
amarin	24h	<i>C. amara</i>	89
amberboin	13b	<i>C. lippii</i>	86
		<i>C. sinaica</i>	12, 13
arbutifolin	24a	<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	91
arctiopicrin	24f	<i>C. melitensis</i>	31, 76
artemissifolin	26a	<i>C. castellana</i>	94
		<i>C. seredis</i>	80, 86
		<i>C. sonchifolia</i>	94
3-besoxycynaropicrin		<i>C. canariensis</i>	44
bicyclogermacrene		<i>C. canariensis</i>	44
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	49
γ -cadinene		<i>C. canariensis</i>	44
δ -cadinene	33	<i>C. canariensis</i>	44
cebellin A	2a	<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin B	2b	<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin C	1i	<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin D	1j	<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin E	1l	<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin F	2c	<i>C. adjarica</i>	138
		<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin G	15a	<i>C. adjarica</i>	138
		<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin H	15b	<i>C. bella</i>	138
cebellin I	3b	<i>C. adjarica</i>	138
		<i>C. bella</i>	138
chlorohyssopifolin		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	90
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	90

Table 1 Contd.

Sesquiterpene Lactone	Structure #	Species	References
chlorohyssopifolin A (centaurepensin)	1a	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
		<i>C. bella</i>	138, 139
		<i>C. carthalinica</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. colchica</i>	139
		<i>C. dealbata</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. exurgens</i>	139
		<i>C. hypoleuca</i>	139
		<i>C. hyrcanica</i>	139
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	51, 77, 81, 82, 84, 86, 137, 139
		<i>C. janeri</i>	139
		<i>C. karabaghensis</i>	139
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 87, 90, 137, 139
		<i>C. nigra</i>	81, 86, 139
		<i>C. pullata</i>	81
		<i>C. repens</i>	51, 55, 57, 73, 84, 86, 123, 168, 169
		<i>C. sinaica</i>	12, 13, 166
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	51, 127, 137, 160, 163, 169
<i>C. somchetica</i>	139		
<i>C. taochia</i>	139		
<i>C. zangezuri</i>	137, 139		
chlorohyssopifolin B	1b	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	77, 81, 82, 86, 137
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 87, 90, 137
chlorohyssopifolin C (acroptillin)	3a	<i>C. adjarica</i>	138
		<i>C. bella</i>	138
		<i>C. carthalinica</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. colchica</i>	139
		<i>C. dealbata</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. exurgens</i>	139
		<i>C. hypoleuca</i>	139
		<i>C. hyrcanica</i>	67, 86
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	82, 137, 139
		<i>C. incana</i>	86, 125
		<i>C. janeri</i>	139
		<i>C. karabaghensis</i>	139
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 87, 90, 137, 139
		<i>C. nigra</i>	139
		<i>C. picris</i>	86, 137
		<i>C. repens</i>	67, 73, 125, 136, 168, 169
<i>C. solistitialis</i>	127, 139, 169		
<i>C. somchetica</i>	139		
<i>C. taochia</i>	139		
<i>C. zangezuri</i>	137, 139		
chlorohyssopifolin D	1c	<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	82
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 87, 137
chlorohyssopifolin E	1d	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	165
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	82, 86, 157
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	87, 90, 137
chlorojanerin	1g	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63, 84
		<i>C. janeri</i>	85, 86
		<i>C. sinaica</i>	166
chlororepdiolide	1h	<i>C. repens</i>	171

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Sesquiterpene Lactone	Structure #	Species	References
clementein	4a	<i>C. canareinsis</i>	55
		<i>C. clementei</i>	55, 56, 124
clementein B	4b	<i>C. canareinsis</i>	55
		<i>C. clementei</i>	55, 56
clementein C	4c	<i>C. canareinsis</i>	55
		<i>C. clementei</i>	55, 56
cnicin	24c	<i>C. africana</i>	137
		<i>C. alba</i>	86
		<i>C. beneditus</i>	15
		<i>C. burgeriana</i>	15, 161
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	15, 61, 86, 109, 121, 137
		<i>C. castellana</i>	86
		<i>C. cineraria</i>	48
		<i>C. diffusa</i>	60, 86
		<i>C. exarata</i>	137
		<i>C. iberica</i>	61, 86
		<i>C. maculosa</i>	86, 111, 119
		<i>C. micrantha</i>	86
		<i>C. micranthos</i>	62
		<i>C. muricata</i>	37
		<i>C. ovina</i>	61, 86
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	15
		<i>C. pseudomaculosa</i>	3, 4
		cnicin 4'-O-acetate	24d
<i>C. steobe</i>	15, 86, 96, 97, 137		
cynaropicrin	2i	<i>C. sulphurea</i>	94
		<i>C. cinerraria</i>	48
		<i>C. amberboa</i>	137
		<i>C. americana</i>	140, 165
		<i>C. arguta</i>	73
		<i>C. behen</i>	141, 157
		<i>C. canraiensis</i>	54, 86, 88
		<i>C. carthalinica</i>	139
		<i>C. clementie</i>	56, 86
		<i>C. dealbata</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. declinata</i>	139
		<i>C. exarata</i>	137
		<i>C. grossheimia</i>	137
		<i>C. hypoleuca</i>	139
		<i>C. kotschy</i>	142
		<i>C. leucophylla</i>	139
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 90
		<i>C. muricata</i>	86
		<i>C. repens</i>	168, 169
<i>C. ragusina</i>	121		
<i>C. seventeenii</i>	86		
<i>C. solistitialis</i>	93, 127, 169		
<i>C. tangananesis</i>	94		
<i>C. tricholepis</i>	137		
<i>C. zangezuri</i>	137, 139		
deacylcynaropicrin		<i>C. canariensis</i>	86
		<i>C. clementie</i>	86
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86
		<i>C. tangananesis</i>	94
		<i>C. seventeenii</i>	86

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Sesquiterpene Lactone	Structure #	Species	References
dehydroartemissifolin		<i>C. castellana</i>	94
dehydrocostus lactone	10a	<i>C. chilensis</i>	135
dehydromelitesin		<i>C. amara</i>	89
11,13-dehydromelitensin	28a	<i>C. amara</i> <i>C. aspera</i> <i>C. melitensis</i> <i>C. pullata</i>	89 149 81, 83 81, 83, 86
11, 13-dehydromelitesin- β -hydroxyisobutyrate	29c	<i>C. melitensis</i>	31, 83, 86
dehydromelitesin-8-(<i>O</i>)- 4(4'-hydroxymethoxy)aryl	28d	<i>C. tangananesis</i>	94, 137
desacetylcentaurepensis- <i>O</i> -(4-hydroxy)tigilinat		<i>C. imperialis</i>	159
desacylcynaropicrin		<i>C. alata</i> <i>C. behan</i> <i>C. canariensis</i> <i>C. chelinsis</i> <i>C. clementei</i> <i>C. floccosa</i> <i>C. kotschy</i> <i>C. ragusina</i> <i>C. solistitialis</i> <i>C. tangananesis</i>	137 137, 141, 157 54, 88 135 135, 137 135 142 121 49, 82, 93, 114 94, 137
desacyllinochlorin C		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86
8-desacylrepin	3f	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	165
19-desoxychlorojanerin	1e	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
3-desoxycynaropicrin	6c	<i>C. canariensis</i>	44, 54, 137
8-desoxymelitensin		<i>C. castellana</i>	94
15-deoxyrepin	3e	<i>C. carthalinica</i> <i>C. colchica</i> <i>C. dealbata</i> <i>C. declinata</i> <i>C. exsargens</i> <i>C. hypoleuca</i> <i>C. incana</i> <i>C. karabaghensis</i> <i>C. leucophylla</i> <i>C. somchetica</i> <i>C. taochia</i> <i>C. zangezari</i>	137, 139 139 137, 139 137, 139 139 139 125 139 137, 139 139 139 139
8-desacylsauprin	2h	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	165
3-desoxysolistitialin A		<i>C. imperialis</i>	159
11,13-dihydroamarin	25a	<i>C. amara</i>	89
11,13-dihydroarbutifolin	25c	<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	91
11,13-dihydrodeacyl- cynaropicrin	12a	<i>C. canariensis</i> <i>C. chilensis</i>	54 136
dihydroestafietone	17	<i>C. webbiana</i>	78, 86

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Sesquiterpene Lactone	Structure #	Species	References
4 β ,15-dihydro-3-dehydro-solistitialin A diacetate	19b	<i>C. behen</i>	141, 157
4 β ,15-dihydro-3-dehydro-solistitialin A monoacetate	19a	<i>C. behen</i>	141, 157
11 α ,13-dihydro-8-desacyl-sauprin		<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63, 165
11,13-dihydroisoarbutifolin		<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	91
11,13-dihydromelitesin		<i>C. aspera</i>	150
11,13-dihydrosalotinolide	25b	<i>C. glomerata</i>	65
11 β ,13-dihydroxy-8 α -epoxymethacryloyloxy-4(15),10(14),11(13)-trien-(1 α H), (5 α H)-guain-6,12-olide	16b	<i>C. collina</i>	69
3-(3,4-dihydroxy-5-methoxyphenyl)-prop-1-yl-3-hydroxyl-11-methyl octadecanoate		<i>C. steobe</i>	96
11 β ,15-dihydroxysaussurea	30a	<i>C. castellana</i>	94
elegin (repinsolide)	1k	<i>C. repens</i> <i>C. solistitialis</i>	168, 169 169
1(10)en-4 α ,5 β -epoxy-9 α -hydroxygermacranolide-8 α -hydroxysencioate	22a	<i>C. cornopifolia</i>	144
1(10)en-4 α ,5 β -epoxy-8 α -(4-hydroxysencioate)	22b	<i>C. cornopifolia</i>	144
epi-centaurepensin	1m	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	169
3-epi-11,13-dihydrodeacylcynaropicrin	12b	<i>C. canarensis</i>	44, 54
episolitiolide	1n	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	127, 169
17,18-epoxy-19-desoxy-chlorojanerin		<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	165
epoxyrepdiolide (desoxyrepin)	3e	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i> <i>C. incana</i> <i>C. repens</i>	165 125 137, 168, 169
germacrene D	27	<i>C. canarensis</i> <i>C. solistitialis</i>	44 49
grossheimin	13a	<i>C. alata</i> <i>C. behen</i> <i>C. lippii</i> <i>C. macrocephala</i> <i>C. ornata</i> <i>C. ruthenica</i>	137 137, 141, 157 86 86 86 5
H β H-11,13-dihydrodesacylcynaropicrin-8- β -D glucoside		<i>C. chilensis</i>	136
8 α -(5-hydroxy)-angeloyl-11,13-dehydromelitesin	28b	<i>C. phrygia</i>	183
8 α -(5-hydroxy)-angeloyl salotenolide	24g	<i>C. phrygia</i>	183

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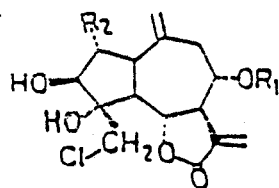
Sesquiterpene Lactone	Structure #	Species	References
3-hydroxy-1,2-dehydrocostic acid methyl ester	34	<i>C. arguta</i>	73
9 β -hydroxycostus acid		<i>C. chilensis</i>	135, 167
8 α -hydroxydehydrocostus lactone	10b	<i>C. canarensis</i> <i>C. chilensis</i>	44, 137 135, 167
8 α -hydroxy-11 β ,13-H-dehydrocostus lactone	7a	<i>C. canariensis</i>	44
3 β -hydroxy-8 α -epoxymethacryloyloxy-4(15),10(14),11(13)-trien-(1 α H)(5 α H)-guan-6,12-olide	16a	<i>C. collina</i>	69
9 β -hydroxykandavanolide	20	<i>C. kandavanesis</i>	160
1-hydroxy-3-methyl-2-butenic salotenolide acid ester	24i	<i>C. glomerata</i>	65
3-hydroxy-2-methylbutyro lactone		<i>C. stoebe</i>	96
isocarbutifolin	27c	<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	91
isdippidiol		<i>C. lippii</i> <i>C. muricata</i>	86 86
janerin	3d	<i>C. adjarica</i> <i>C. americana</i> <i>C. bella</i> <i>C. carthalinica</i> <i>C. colchica</i> <i>C. dealbata</i> <i>C. exurgens</i> <i>C. hypoleuca</i> <i>C. hyrcanica</i> <i>C. hyssopifolia</i> <i>C. incana</i> <i>C. janeri</i> <i>C. karabaghensis</i> <i>C. linifolia</i> <i>C. nigra</i> <i>C. phaeopappoides</i> <i>C. repens</i> <i>C. sinaica</i> <i>C. solistitialis</i> <i>C. somchetica</i> <i>C. taochia</i> <i>C. unifolia</i> <i>C. zangezuri</i>	138 139 138 137, 139 139 137, 139 139 139 139 139 125 86, 139 139 139 139 137 73, 125, 168, 169 166 139, 169 139 139 18 137, 139
kandavanolide	10c	<i>C. kandavanesis</i>	160
linichlorin A	1f	<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 87, 137
linichlorin B	2d	<i>C. carthalinica</i> <i>C. dealbata</i> <i>C. declinata</i> <i>C. hypoleuca</i> <i>C. kotschy</i> <i>C. linifolia</i>	137 137 137, 139 139 142 86, 87, 137, 139

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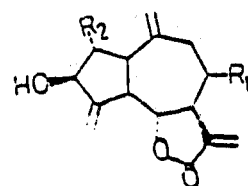
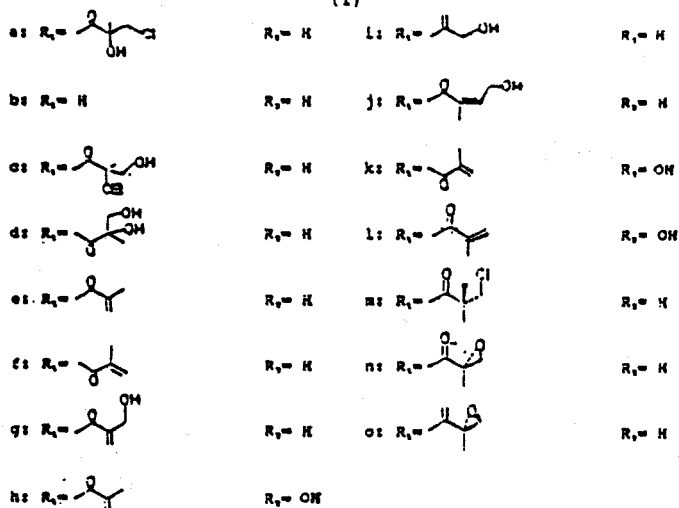
Sesquiterpene Lactone	Structure #	Species	References
		<i>C. leucophylla</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. zangezuri</i>	137
linichlorin C	14	<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 87, 137, 139
lippidiol		<i>C. muricata</i>	86
melitesin	29a	<i>C. amara</i>	89
		<i>C. aspera</i>	149, 181
		<i>C. melitensis</i>	31, 76, 83, 86
		<i>C. pullata</i>	83
		<i>C. tangananesis</i>	94, 137
melitensin β -hydroxy isobutyrate	28b	<i>C. melitensis</i>	31, 83, 86
8 α -methacryloyloxydehydrocostus lactone	6b	<i>C. canariensis</i>	44, 137
muricatin		<i>C. muricata</i>	86
onopropodicrin	24e	<i>C. melitensis</i>	31
		<i>C. tangananesis</i>	94, 137
3-oxo-1,2-dehydrocostic acid		<i>C. canarensis</i>	44
3-oxo-1,2-dehydrocostic acid methyl ester		<i>C. arguta</i>	73
reptiolide	2g	<i>C. bella</i>	138, 139
		<i>C. repens</i>	125, 168, 169, 171
reptiolide triol	8	<i>C. incana</i>	125
repin (subteolide)	3c	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	165
		<i>C. adjarica</i>	138
		<i>C. bella</i>	138, 139
		<i>C. carthalinica</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. colchica</i>	139
		<i>C. dealbata</i>	137, 139
		<i>C. exurgens</i>	139
		<i>C. hypoleuca</i>	139
		<i>C. hyrcanica</i>	66, 86, 139
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	139
		<i>C. incana</i>	125
		<i>C. janeri</i>	139
		<i>C. karabaghensis</i>	139
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	139
		<i>C. nigra</i>	139
		<i>C. picris</i>	86
		<i>C. repens</i>	73, 81, 168, 169
		<i>C. somchetica</i>	139
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	127, 139
		<i>C. taochia</i>	139
		<i>C. zangezuri</i>	137, 139
repin[10,11]monochlorohydrin		<i>C. incana</i>	125
reynosin	32b	<i>C. uniflora</i>	18
salonitenolide	24b	<i>C. amara</i>	89
		<i>C. melitensis</i>	31
		<i>C. salonitana</i>	86, 183
		<i>C. stoebe</i>	96

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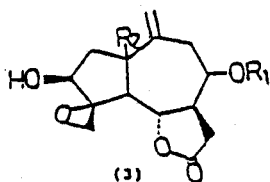
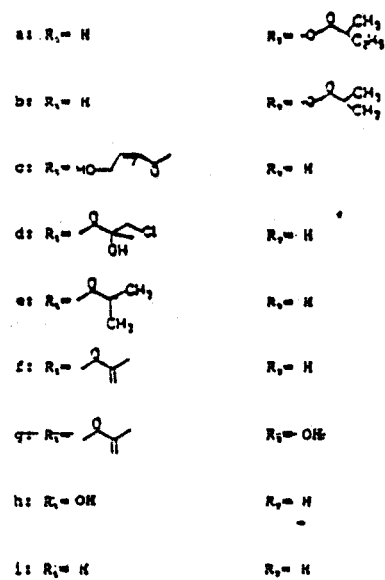
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santamarin	32a	<i>C. uniflora</i>	18
sauprin	9a	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63, 165
sauprin 11 α ,13-dihydroxy	9b	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63, 165
scabiolide	26c	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	173
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	127
sinaicin	21	<i>C. sinaica</i>	12, 13
solistitialin		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	86, 93, 133, 163, 180
solistitialin A	5b	<i>C. behen</i>	141
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	93, 127, 133
solistitialian acetate	5a	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	86, 93, 127, 191
solistitialin A 3-acetate		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	127
solistitiolide	1o	<i>C. repens</i>	169
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	127, 169
stenophyllolide	23	<i>C. aspera</i>	16, 86, 149, 152
steobenolide		<i>C. steobe</i>	96
stizolicin	22c	<i>C. balsamifera</i>	86
		<i>C. cornopifolia</i>	144
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	86, 127, 131, 137
subbexpinnatin	7b	<i>C. canarensis</i>	54, 55, 92
subbexpinnatin B	11a	<i>C. canarensis</i>	54, 55, 92
		<i>C. clemntei</i>	55, 56
subbexpinnatin C	11b	<i>C. canariensis</i>	54, 92
		<i>C. clemntei</i>	55, 56
subluteolide	3g	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	127, 169
8 α -tigloyloxy-2 α ,3 β -di-hydroxy-4 α -epoxydehydrocostus lactone		<i>C. uniflora</i>	18
vahlenin	30	<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	82, 86, 137
		<i>C. linifolia</i>	86, 87, 137
unidentified sesquiterpene lactones		<i>C. clemntei</i>	53
		<i>C. micrantha</i>	62
		<i>C. repens</i>	51
		<i>C. squarrosa</i>	155
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	50



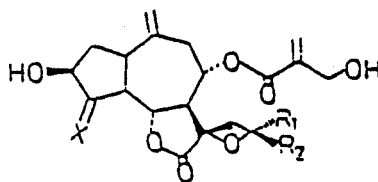
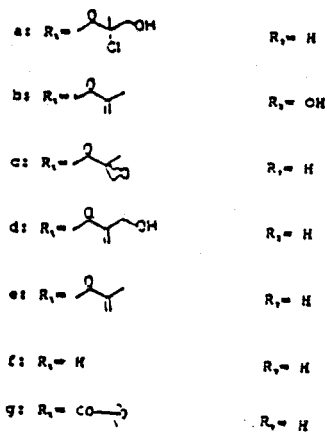
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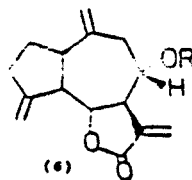
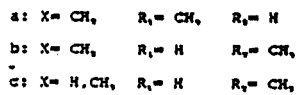
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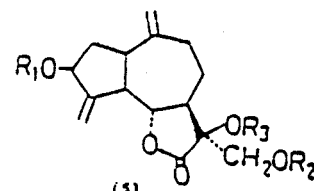
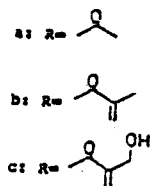
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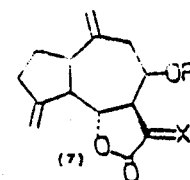
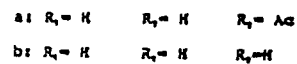
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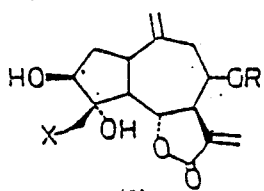


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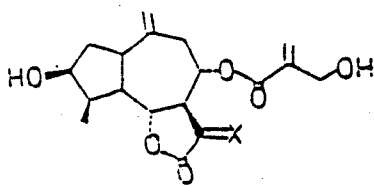




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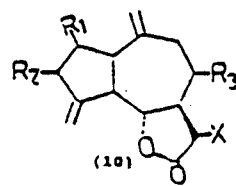
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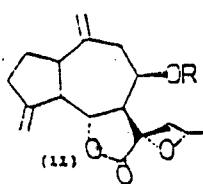
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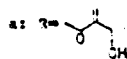


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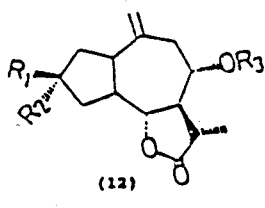
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 b: R₁ = H R₂ = H R₃ = OH X = CH₃
 c: R₁ = H R₂ = OAc R₃ = OH X = CH₃



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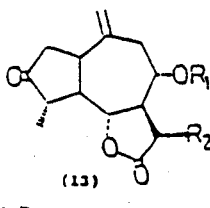
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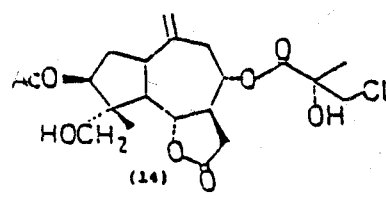
b: R₁ = H R₂ = OH R₃ = H



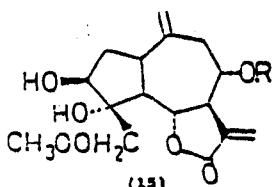
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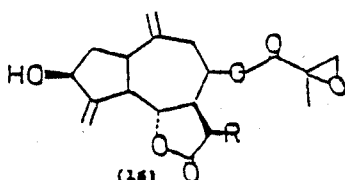
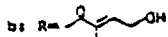
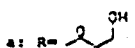
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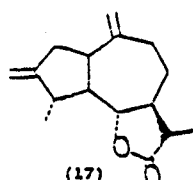
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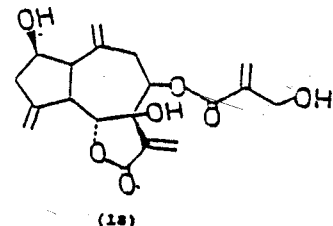
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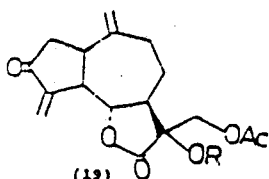
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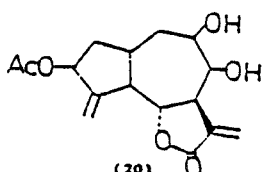
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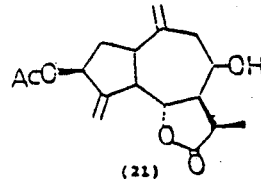
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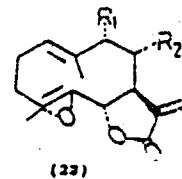
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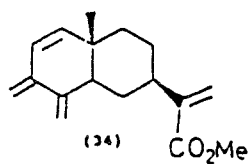
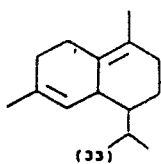
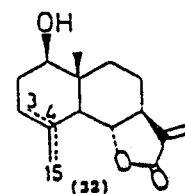
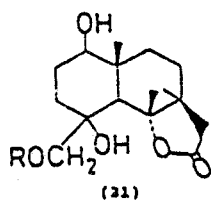
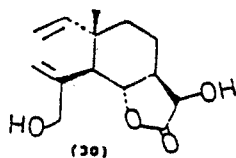
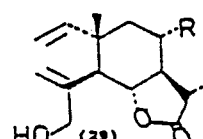
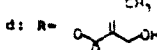
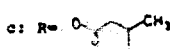
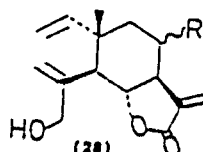
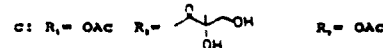
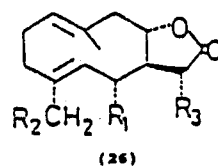
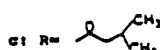
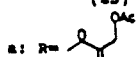
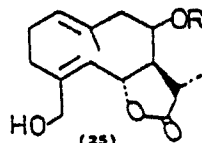
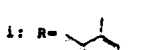
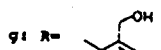
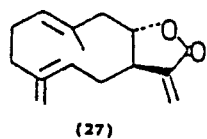
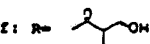
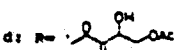
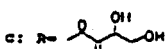
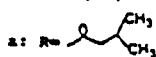
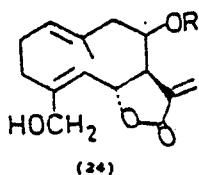
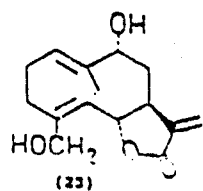


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a: R₁ = OH R₂ =

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c: R₁ = H R₂ =



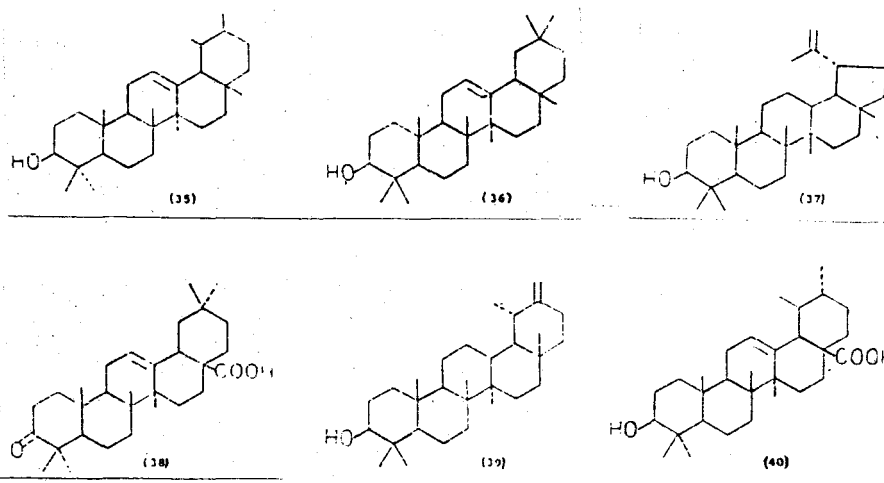
TRITERPENES:

Only 23 *Centaurea* species were found to contain triterpenes (Table 2) three of which were used in folk medicine.

Table 2
Triterpene of *centaurea* species

Triterpenoid	Structure #	Species	References
α -amyrin	35	<i>C. aspera</i>	151
		<i>C. alexandrin</i>	9
		<i>C. cornipifolia</i>	144
		<i>C. cineraria</i>	64
β -amyrin	36	<i>C. aspera</i>	151
		<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	47
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	9
		<i>C. cineraria</i>	64
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	9
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	9
aplotaxene		<i>C. incana</i>	2
3 α -16 α -dihydroxytaraxene-3-acetate		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	50
hop-17(21)-ene-3- α -ol		<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	11
isobauerenyl acetate		<i>C. aspera</i>	151
lupeol	37	<i>C. aspera</i>	151
		<i>C. ramosa</i>	121
		<i>C. regia</i>	186
		<i>C. sinaica</i>	166
lupeyl acetate		<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
		<i>C. ramosa</i>	121
		<i>C. sinaica</i>	166
oleanolic acid	38	<i>C. cunifolia</i>	146
taraxasterol	39	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
		<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	47
		<i>C. aspera</i>	151
		<i>C. diffusa</i>	128
		<i>C. pseudomaculosa</i>	4
		<i>C. regia</i>	186
		<i>C. repens</i>	97
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	93
tetrahydroaplotaxene		<i>C. incana</i>	2
		<i>C. cyanus</i>	114
		<i>C. melitensis</i>	126
		<i>C. squarrosa</i>	155
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	50, 51, 93, 126
		<i>C. repens</i>	51
triterpetainene		<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
urosolic acid	40	<i>C. iberica</i>	10
unidentified triterpenes		<i>C. aspera</i>	126
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	126
		<i>C. squarrosa</i>	147, 155

Constituents of centaurea species



CAROTENOIDS:

Two species were found to contain carotenoids (Table 3).

Table 3
Carotenes of *centaurea* species

Carotene	Species	References
<i>all-trans</i> -luteochrome	<i>C. moschata</i>	182
<i>all-trans</i> -neurosprene	<i>C. moschata</i>	182
<i>all-trans</i> - β -carotenediepoxide	<i>C. moschata</i>	182
aurochrome	<i>C. moschata</i>	182
carotene	<i>C. orintalis</i>	113
flavochrome	<i>C. moschata</i>	182

STEROLS:

Seven sterols were identified from 17 *Centaurea* spp. (Table 4).

Table 4
Steroids of *centaurea* species

Sterol	Species	References
crustecdysone	<i>C. webbiana</i>	79
β -sitosterol	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	9
	<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	151
	<i>C. aspera</i>	47
	<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	64
	<i>C. cineraria</i>	9
	<i>C. pallescens</i>	9
	<i>C. pseudomaculosa</i>	3, 4, 92
	<i>C. ragosina</i>	121
	<i>C. regia</i>	186
	<i>C. sinaica</i>	166

Table 4 Contd.

Sterol	Species	References
β -sitosterol- β -D-glucoside	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	156, 164
	<i>C. regia</i>	186
	<i>C. seridis</i>	188
sitosteroyl-3 β -glucosides 6'-O-palmitate	<i>C. regia</i>	186
sitosterolglucosides	<i>C. aspera</i>	149
stigmasterol	<i>C. aegyptiaca</i>	63
	<i>C. aspara</i>	149, 151
	<i>C. sinaica</i>	166
Unidentified steroids	<i>C. aspera</i>	126
	<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	126
	<i>C. cyanus</i>	114
	<i>C. iberica</i>	10
	<i>C. melitensis</i>	126
	<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	10, 11
	<i>C. squarrosa</i>	155

HYDROCARBONS:

15 hydrocarbons and related compounds were identified from 19 *Centaurea* spp. (Table 5).

Table 5
Hydrocarbons and related compounds of *centaurea* species

Hydrocarbon	Species	References
Et-(CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₅ O ₂ CCH ₂ CHMe	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	43
Et-(CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₅ O ₂ CCH=CMe ₂	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	43
Et-(CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₄ OH	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	32
Et-(CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₄ O ₂ CCH ₂ CHMe	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	43
Et-(CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₄ O ₂ CCH=CMe ₂	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	43
Et-(CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₄ CHO	<i>C. cristata</i>	35
	<i>C. diluta</i>	35
	<i>C. diffusa</i>	35
	<i>C. eriphora</i>	35
	<i>C. involuèrata</i>	35
	<i>C. jacea</i>	35
	<i>C. lippii</i>	35
	<i>C. maculosa</i>	35
	<i>C. micranthos</i>	35
	<i>C. melitensis</i>	35
	<i>C. napifolia</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
	<i>C. sulphurea</i>	35
	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	35
Me(CH ₂) ₄ (CH=CHCH ₂) ₂ (CH ₂) ₄ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	17
Me(CH ₂) ₇ CH=CH(CH ₂) ₅ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	17

Table 5 Contd.

Hydrocarbon	Species	References
MeCH ₂ (CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₅ CHO	<i>C. cristata</i>	35
	<i>C. diluta</i>	35
	<i>C. ferox</i>	35
	<i>C. jacea</i>	35
	<i>C. maculosa</i>	35
	<i>C. micranthos</i>	35
	<i>C. melitensis</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
MeCH ₂ (CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₆ CHO	<i>C. cristata</i>	35
	<i>C. diluta</i>	35
	<i>C. ferox</i>	35
	<i>C. jacea</i>	35
	<i>C. micranthos</i>	35
	<i>C. melitensis</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	17
	MeCH ₂ (CH=CH) ₄ (CH ₂) ₇ CHO	<i>C. scabiosa</i>
MeCH ₂ (CH=CHCH ₂) ₃ (CH ₂) ₄ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	17
tetrahecta-4,6-diene-8,10,12-triene-1,3-diol	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	98
<i>trans</i> -4-tetradecadiene-8,10,12-triyn-1-ol	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	98
<i>trans</i> -6-tetradecadiene-8,10,12-triyn-1-ol	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	98
unidentified Hydrocarbons	<i>C. repens</i>	51
	<i>C. squarrosa</i>	155

POLYACETYLENES:

Polyacetylenes were reported in 26 *Centaurea* species, (Table 6).

Table 6
Polyacetylenes of centaurea species

Polyacetylene	Species	References
6 α -acetoxy-2 α -(1- <i>trans</i> ,3- <i>trans</i> ,9- <i>trans</i> -undecatriene-5,7-dinyl-1yl)tetrahydropyran	<i>C. macrocephala</i>	41
AcOCH ₂ CH=CHC=CC=CHCH=CHCH ₂ CH ₂ (OAc)Pr	<i>C. montana</i>	120
<i>all-trans</i> -MeCH=CH(C \equiv C) ₂ (CH=CH) ₃ H	<i>C. ferox</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
<i>all-trans</i> -MeCH=CH(C \equiv C) ₂ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₃ CHO	<i>C. angustifolia</i>	35
	<i>C. involucrata</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
<i>all-trans</i> -MeCH=CH(C \equiv C) ₂ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₄ CHO	<i>C. angustifolia</i>	35
	<i>C. involucrata</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
<i>all-trans</i> -MeCH=CH(C \equiv C) ₂ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₅ CHO	<i>C. angustifolia</i>	35
	<i>C. involucrata</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35

Table 6 Contd.










Polyacetylene	Species	References
Centaure X ₂ : CH ₃ CH=CH—C≡C—C≡C—CH=CH—CH=CH—CH ₂ CHCH ₂ CH ₂ OAc	<i>C. macrocephala</i>	120
Centaure X ₃ : CH ₃ CH=CH—C≡C—C≡C—CH=CH—CH=CH—(CH ₂) ₃ —CH=CH ₂	<i>C. diluta</i>	35
Centaure X ₄ : CH ₃ CH=CH—C≡C—C≡C—CH=CH—CH=CH—(CH ₂) ₄ —CH=CH ₂	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	120
CentaureZ:	<i>C. montana</i>	120
<i>cis</i> -H(C≡C)CH ₂ CH=CH(CH ₂) ₅ Ac	<i>C. ferox</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
<i>cis-cis</i> -MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ CH ₂ CH=CH(CH ₂) ₆	<i>C. deusta</i>	36
<i>cis-cis</i> -MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ CH ₂ CH=CH(CH ₂) ₇ CHO	<i>C. deusta</i>	36
<i>cis-trans</i> -1,2-epoxy-11-tridecen-3,5,7,9-tetrayne	<i>C. deusta</i>	36
7- <i>cis</i> ,14- <i>trans</i> -hexadecadiene-10,12-dinyl-1-al	<i>C. macrocephala</i>	41
2,2-dimethyl-4-(3-bromopropyl)-1,3-dioxolane	<i>C. muricata</i>	38
2,3-epoxy-12-tridecen-4,6,8,10-tetrayne	<i>C. deusta</i>	36
Et-(CH=CHCH ₂) ₃ (CH ₂) ₄ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. canariensis</i>	44
2-hydroxy-6-(<i>trans</i> -non-1-ene-3,5,7-trinyl)-tetrahydroxypyran	<i>C. muricata</i>	37
I  C≡CCH=CHCH=CH ₂	<i>C. rudbeckia</i>	22
MeC≡C  C≡CCH=CHCH=CH ₂	<i>C. rudbeckia</i>	22
Me(C≡C) ₂  C≡CCHClCH ₂ OAc	<i>C. cristata</i>	35
	<i>C. diluta</i>	35
	<i>C. melitesis</i>	35
Me(C≡C) ₂  C≡CCH(OH)CH ₂ Cl	<i>C. repens</i>	170
Me(C≡C) ₃ (CH=CH) ₂ H	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
Me(C≡C) ₃ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₃ OH	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
Me(C≡C) ₃ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₅ CHO	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	17
Me(C≡C) ₃ (CH=CH) ₂ CHCH ₂ CH ₂ Cl	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
Me(C≡C) ₃ CH=CH 	<i>C. muricata</i>	38
Me(C≡C) ₄ (CH=CH) ₂ H	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
Me(C≡C) ₄ CH=CH 	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
Me(C≡C) ₅ 	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
MeCH(C≡C) ₅ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
MeCH=CHC≡C—  C≡CCH=CH ₂	<i>C. rudbeckia</i>	22
MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. diluta</i>	40
MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ C= 	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	42
MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₄ CHO	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₅ CHO	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₄ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
MeCH=CH(C≡C) ₂ CH ₂ CH=CH(CH ₂) ₅ CH=CH ₂	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16

Table 6 Contd.

Polyacetylene	Species	References
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2\text{H}$	<i>C. diluta</i> <i>C. scabiosa</i>	40 17
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_3\text{H}$	<i>C. diluta</i> <i>C. scabiosa</i>	40 16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OAc}$	<i>C. diluta</i>	35
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{OH}$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2\underset{\text{OAc}}{\text{CH}}\text{CH}_2\underset{\text{OAc}}{\text{CH}}_2$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CHCHO}$	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	42
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	42
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}=\text{CHO}_2\text{Et}$	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	33
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OAc}$	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	42
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCHClCH}_2\text{OAc}$	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	33
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}-\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}-\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}-\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_4\text{CH}-\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	16
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CHC}\equiv\text{C} \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \text{S} \\ \diagup \end{array} \text{C}=\text{CCH}=\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. jacea</i>	35
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CHC}\equiv\text{C} \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \text{S} \\ \diagup \end{array} \text{C}=\text{C}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. jacea</i>	35
$\text{MeCH}=\text{CHC}\equiv\text{C} \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \text{S} \\ \diagup \end{array} -\text{I}$	<i>C. rudbeckia</i>	22
$\text{OHCCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2(\text{CH}=\text{CH})_2(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. napifolia</i> <i>C. scabiosa</i>	35 16
<i>trans-cis</i> - $\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_6\text{CHO}$	<i>C. deusta</i>	36
<i>trans-cis</i> - $\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{CHO}$	<i>C. deusta</i>	36
<i>trans</i> - $\text{Me}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}(\text{OH})(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2\text{OAc}$	<i>C. muricata</i>	37
<i>trans</i> - $\text{Me}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}(\text{OH})(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	<i>C. muricata</i>	37
<i>trans</i> - $\text{Me}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_4\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	43
<i>trans</i> - $\text{Me}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_4\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}(\text{OAc})\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	43
<i>trans</i> - $\text{Me}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_4\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}-\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. cristata</i> <i>C. diffusa</i> <i>C. eriphora</i> <i>C. ferox</i> <i>C. involucrata</i> <i>C. lippii</i> <i>C. maculosa</i> <i>C. micranthos</i> <i>C. melitensis</i> <i>C. solistitialis</i>	35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35
<i>trans</i> - $\text{MeCH}=\text{CH}(\text{C}\equiv\text{C})_4\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$	<i>C. angustina</i> <i>C. canariensis</i>	35 35

Table 6 Contd.

Polyacetylene	Species	References
	<i>C. cristata</i>	35
	<i>C. diluta</i>	35
	<i>C. diffusa</i>	35
	<i>C. eriphora</i>	35
	<i>C. ferox</i>	35
	<i>C. involucrata</i>	35
	<i>C. jacea</i>	35
	<i>C. lippii</i>	35
	<i>C. maculosa</i>	35
	<i>C. melitensis</i>	35
	<i>C. micranthos</i>	35
	<i>C. napifolia</i>	35
	<i>C. sulphurea</i>	35
	<i>C. scabiosa</i>	17
	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	35
<i>trans-trans</i> -Me(C=C) ₃ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₃ CHO	<i>C. cristata</i>	35
	<i>C. napifolia</i>	35
	<i>C. pulata</i>	35
<i>trans-trans</i> -Me(C=C) ₃ (CH=CH) ₂ (CH ₂) ₄ CHO	<i>C. cristata</i>	35
CHC=C(CH=CH) ₂ CH ₂	<i>C. ferox</i>	35
	<i>C. pullata</i>	35
unidentified polyacetylenes	<i>C. canariensis</i>	44
	<i>C. repens</i>	170
	<i>C. ruthenica</i>	34, 42, 90

FLAVONOIDS:

Reports showed that there were 119 flavonoids of various types isolated from 53 *Centaurea* spp., (Table 7). Some of these were found to have biological activity; e.g., hispidulin, which was isolated from *C. arguta*^{7,46}, *C. aspera*^{71,72}, *C. chilensis*³⁶, *C. clemente*^{74,53,56}, *C. floccosa*³⁴, *C. glomerata*³⁴, *C. inermis*⁴³, *C. phyllocephala*⁸⁴, *C. urvillei*⁸⁵ and *C. virgata*⁴³ and was found to

maintain cytotoxic and antibacterial activities. Apigenin, cirsimaritin, eupatorin, isoschaftoside, isovitexin, kaempferol 3-O-glucoside, kaempferol 3-methyl ether and 6-methoxyluteolin 3', 4', 7-trimethyl ether were all reported to have antibacterial properties⁴³. Apigenin, luteolin and their glycosides are the most common flavonoids in *Centaurea* species.

Table 7
Flavonoids of *centaurea* species

Flavonoid	Structure #	Species	References
acacetin	42a	<i>C. cuneifolia</i>	146
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	15
apigenin	41a	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. aspera</i>	149
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. deperssa</i>	28
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. inermis</i>	143
		<i>C. kilae</i>	143
		<i>C. kotschy</i>	143
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	15, 145
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	143
<i>C. virgata</i>	143		

Table 7 Contd.

Flavonoid	Structure #	Species	References
apigenin-7- <i>O</i> -(4-ethyluronide)		<i>C. aspera</i>	70, 71
apigenin 7- <i>O</i> -galacturonic methyl ether		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	8
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	8
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	8
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	8
apigenin 7- <i>O</i> - β -D-glucoside		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7, 122
		<i>C. chilensis</i>	136
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	185
apigenin-4', <i>O</i> - β -D-glucoside 7- <i>O</i> - β -D-glucuronide		<i>C. cyanus</i>	15, 21, 178
apigenin-4'- <i>O</i> -glucuronide		<i>C. aspera</i>	70, 71
apigenin-7- <i>O</i> -glucuronide		<i>C. aspera</i>	70, 71
apigenin-4'- <i>O</i> -(6- <i>O</i> -malonyl- β -D-glucoside)-7- <i>O</i> - β -D-glucuronide		<i>C. cyanus</i>	178
apigenin-7-methylgalacturonide		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	121
apiin		<i>C. cyanus</i>	7
		<i>C. scabiosa</i>	7
astragalin		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	8
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	8
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	8
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	8
baicillin		<i>C. scabiosa</i>	7
centaureidin	44d	<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. nigrescens</i>	39
		<i>C. phrygia</i>	39
		<i>C. phsygia</i>	39
centaurein	44c	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. jacea</i>	7, 68, 157, 190
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
chrysoeriol	41c	<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	7, 47
		<i>C. chilensis</i>	136
		<i>C. floccosa</i>	134
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	134
		<i>C. regia</i>	186
chrysoeriol 7- <i>O</i> -glucoside		<i>C. chelensis</i>	136
cirsiolol		<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	110, 184
		<i>C. sinaica</i>	12
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	185
crisimaritin		<i>C. behen</i>	141
		<i>C. kotschy</i>	145
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	185
cyanocentaurein		<i>C. cyanus</i>	20, 176, 178
dihydroquercetin		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7

Table 7 Contd.

Flavonoid	Structure #	Species	References
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
4',7-di- <i>O</i> -methyl scutellarein		<i>C. clementei</i>	44, 53, 56
eriodictyol		<i>C. floccosa</i>	134
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	134
ethyl-7- <i>O</i> -apigenin glucuronate		<i>C. aspera</i>	149
eupatilin	47	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	94
		<i>C. arguta</i>	73
		<i>C. cineraria</i>	48
		<i>C. cunifolia</i>	146
		<i>C. virgata</i>	143
eupatorin		<i>C. cuneifolia</i>	146
		<i>C. inermis</i>	143
		<i>C. virgata</i>	143
fisetin	46a	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
genkwanin	41d	<i>C. cyanus</i>	19, 21
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	185
7-glucosylaxillarin		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	107
7-glucosyl-6-methoxyquercetin		<i>C. collina</i>	103
7-glucosylpatuletin		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	107
3-glucosylquercetin		<i>C. colina</i>	103
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	107
7-glucosylquercetin		<i>C. collina</i>	103, 108
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	107
7-glucosylspinacetin		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	107
helichrysin		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
hesperidin		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
hisidulin	42d	<i>C. arguta</i>	7, 46
		<i>C. aspera</i>	71, 72
		<i>C. chilensis</i>	136
		<i>C. clementei</i>	44, 53, 56
		<i>C. floccosa</i>	134
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	134
		<i>C. inermis</i>	143
		<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	184
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	185
		<i>C. virgata</i>	143
homoorientin		<i>C. melitensis</i>	105
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	108
5-hydroxy-3',4',6,7-tetrahydroxy-		<i>C. burgerina</i>	161

Table 7 Contd.

Flavonoid	Structure #	Species	References
6-methoxyflavone		<i>C. cineraria</i>	48
		<i>C. iberica</i>	10, 11, 80
		<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	10, 11, 80
		<i>C. pseudomaculosa</i>	4, 5
isokaempferide	46g	<i>C. clemntei</i>	44, 53, 56
isoquercetrin		<i>C. deperssa</i>	28
isorhamnetin	46f	<i>C. kotschy</i>	145
isorhamnetin 3-galactoside		<i>C. kotschy</i>	145
isorhamnetin 7-glucoside		<i>C. kotschy</i>	145
isoschftoside		<i>C. virgata</i>	143
isovitexin	42c	<i>C. melitensis</i>	105
		<i>C. virgata</i>	143
jaceidin	44a	<i>C. amara</i>	74
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	75
		<i>C. kotschy</i>	143
		<i>C. nigrescens</i>	39
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	15
		<i>C. phrygia</i>	39
jacein	44b	<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. hyssopifolia</i>	75
		<i>C. jacea</i>	7, 68, 157, 189
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
jaceoside		<i>C. jacea</i>	157, 189
jaceosidin	42d	<i>C. alexandina</i>	94
		<i>C. arguta</i>	73
		<i>C. aspera</i>	71, 72
		<i>C. behen</i>	143
		<i>C. cineraria</i>	48
		<i>C. cuneifolia</i>	146
		<i>C. inermis</i>	143
		<i>C. kilea</i>	143
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	15
		<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	110, 184
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	143
		<i>C. virgata</i>	143
kaempferol	46d	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	8
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7, 8
		<i>C. collina</i>	104
		<i>C. chilensis</i>	136
		<i>C. floccosa</i>	134
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	134
6-methoxyluteolin-3',4',7-trimethyl ether		<i>C. kilae</i>	143
6-methoxyluteolin-7-glucoside		<i>C. melitensis</i>	102
6-methoxyquercetin		<i>C. collina</i>	102
7,3-methoxy-O-rutin- osylkaempferol		<i>C. arguta</i>	45
morin	43	<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7

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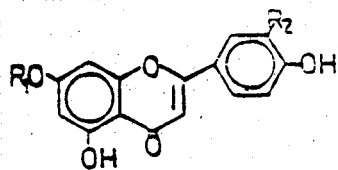
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		<i>C. behen</i>	143
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7, 8
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7, 8
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
neglectin		<i>C. clementei</i>	44, 53, 56
nepetin		<i>C. aspera</i>	71, 72
		<i>C. inermis</i>	143
		<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	110, 185
		<i>C. urvillei</i>	185
		<i>C. virgata</i>	143
orientin	42f	<i>C. melitensis</i>	105
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	108
paenoside		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
palustrin		<i>C. clementei</i>	53
patuletin	48	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	106
patulitrin (quercetagenin-6-methyl ether 7-glucoside)		<i>C. kotschyi</i>	145
pictolarigenin		<i>C. sulphurea</i>	94
3',4',4,6,7-peneta methoxyflavone		<i>C. jacea</i>	189
pictolaroside (glucosyl-3-rhamnosyl-7-quercetin)		<i>C. kerria</i>	153
		<i>C. rhus</i>	153
		<i>C. scabiosa</i>	153
		<i>C. sempervirens</i>	153
pinoembrin 7-diglucoside		<i>C. ragusina</i>	121
quercimeritrin	46h	<i>C. cheiranthefolia</i>	7, 27
		<i>C. ciscausica</i>	27
		<i>C. cyanus</i>	7, 27
		<i>C. deperssa</i>	28
		<i>C. micranthos</i>	27
		<i>C. nigrifimbria</i>	27
		<i>C. ruthenica</i>	27
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	27
		<i>C. sumensis</i>	27
quercimeritrin 7-O- β -glucopyranoside		<i>C. apiin</i>	25
quercimeritrin-7- β -O-D-glucopyranoside		<i>C. apiin</i>	25
quercetagenin 3,6-dimethylether		<i>C. cornopifolia</i>	144
quercetagenin-3',6-dimethylether 7-O-glucoside		<i>C. kotschyi</i>	145

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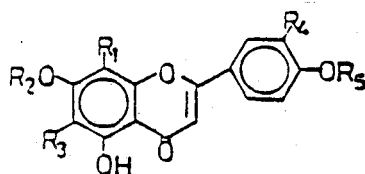
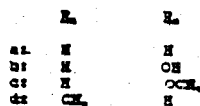
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quercetagenin-7-glucoside		<i>C. kotschy</i>	145
quercetin	46c	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	8
		<i>C. chilensis</i>	136
		<i>C. collina</i>	104
		<i>C. floccosa</i>	134
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7, 8, 134
		<i>C. kotschy</i>	145
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	106
quercetrin-3,7-disulfate		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	122
quercetin-7-O- β -D-glucopyranoside		<i>C. apiin</i>	25
rhamnetin	46e	<i>C. collina</i>	102
rutin	46b	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7, 8
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7, 8
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7, 8
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
rutinoside		<i>C. sempervirens</i>	153
7-rutinosy-3-O-methylkaemferol		<i>C. arbutifolia</i>	7, 47
		<i>C. arguta</i>	73
salvigenin	42e	<i>C. cineraria</i>	48
		<i>C. cunifolia</i>	146
		<i>C. sinaica</i>	12
		<i>C. urivillei</i>	185
schaftoside		<i>C. melitensis</i>	105, 108
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	108
scutellarin		<i>C. apiin</i>	25
		<i>C. deperssa</i>	26, 28
		<i>C. scabiosa</i>	7
4',7-scutellarein dimethylether		<i>C. clementei</i>	56
		<i>C. cunifolia</i>	144
scutellarin-5-O- β -D-glucuronide		<i>C. deperssa</i>	28
scutellarin-7-O- β -D-glucuronide		<i>C. deperssa</i>	28
spinacetin	45	<i>C. kotschy</i>	145
		<i>C. solistitialis</i>	106
3',4',5,7-tetrahydroxy-6-methoxyflavone		<i>C. aspera</i>	72
3',5,7-trihydroxy-4',5-dimethoxyflavone		<i>C. nigrescens</i>	7
		<i>C. phrygia</i>	7
3',5,7-trihydroxy-4',6-dimethoxyflavone		<i>C. grinesis</i>	175

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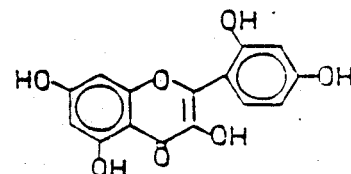
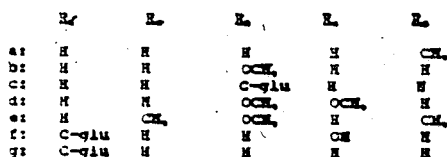
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4',5,7-trihydroxy-3,6-dimethoxy-flavone		<i>C. jacea</i>	157
5,7,4'-trihydroxy-3',6-dimethoxy flavone		<i>C. arguta</i>	7, 45
		<i>C. aspera</i>	72
		<i>C. jacea</i>	189
4',5,7-trihydroxy-3,6-dimethoxy-flavone 7-O-β-D-glucoside		<i>C. jacea</i>	157
4',5,7-trihydroxy-8-dimethoxy-flavone		<i>C. cineraria</i>	64
taxifolin		<i>C. floccosa</i>	134
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	134
vicenin 2		<i>C. melitensis</i>	105
vitexin	42g	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	7
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	7
		<i>C. cyanus</i>	20
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	7
		<i>C. pallescens</i>	7
		<i>C. ramosa</i>	121
		<i>C. regia</i>	186
unidentified flavonoids		<i>C. alexandrina</i>	8
		<i>C. aspera</i>	72, 126
		<i>C. aucherana</i>	32
		<i>C. balsamita</i>	32
		<i>C. burgueriana</i>	32
		<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	8
		<i>C. collina</i>	69
		<i>C. deperssa</i>	28, 112
		<i>C. glomerata</i>	8
		<i>C. iberica</i>	23
		<i>C. melitensis</i>	126
		<i>C. nigrescens</i>	39
		<i>C. squarrosa</i>	115
		<i>C. virgata</i>	23



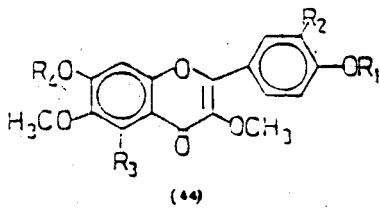
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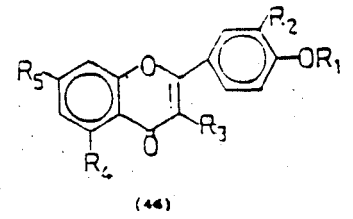
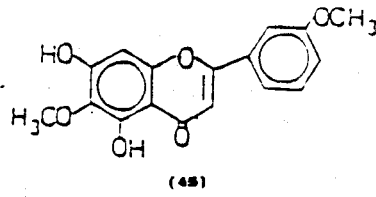
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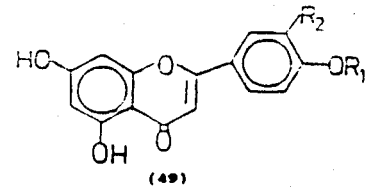
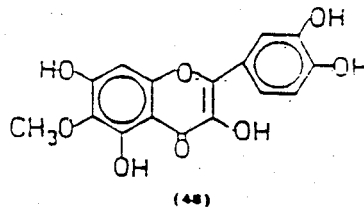
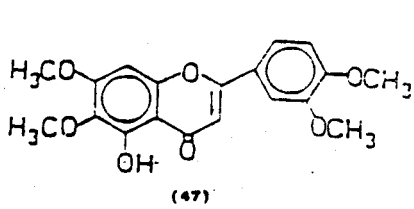
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	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	R ₄
a:	H	OCH ₃	H	H
b:	H	OCH ₃	OH	glu
c:	CH ₃	OH	OH	glu
d:	CH ₃	OH	OH	H



	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	R ₄	R ₅
a:	H	OH	OH	H	OH
b:	H	OH	O-CH ₃	OH	OH
c:	H	OH	OH	OH	OH
d:	H	H	OH	OH	OH
e:	H	OH	OH	OH	OH
f:	H	OCH ₃	OH	OH	OH
g:	H	H	OCH ₃	OH	OH
h:	H	OH	OH	OH	O-glu



COUMARINS:

Scopletin, and esculetin, two known coumarins, have been isolated from *Centaurea* spp. The former was isolated from *C. meyrana* and *C. serides*⁸⁰, and the latter was isolated from *C. urvillei*. Unidentified coumarins were reported also in *C. deperrsa*¹².

ANTHOCYANINS:

Anthocyanins were reported in 10 *Centaurea* species, mainly of the glycoside types (Table 8).

Table 8
Anthocyanins of *centaurea* species

Anthocyanin	Species	References
centaurocyanin	<i>C. cyanus</i>	176
cyanidin 3-(6'-malonylglucoside)	<i>C. cyanus</i>	100
cyanidin 3-O-(6-O-succinyl-β-D-glucoside)-5-β-D-glucoside	<i>C. cyanus</i>	175, 178
	<i>C. jacea</i>	175
	<i>C. macroptilon</i>	175
	<i>C. pannonica</i>	175
	<i>C. sadlerana</i>	175
cyanidin 3-(6-succinylglucoside)-5-glucoside	<i>C. jacea</i>	175
	<i>C. micrantha</i>	175
cyanidin 3-glucoside	<i>C. cyanus</i>	20, 176, 178
cyanidin 3,5-O-β-D-glucoside	<i>C. cyanus</i>	175
cyanin (cyanidin-3,5-diglucoside)	<i>C. cyanus</i>	20, 175, 176, 178
3,5-diglucosylcyanidin	<i>C. cyanus</i>	101
	<i>C. lugdunensis</i>	101
	<i>C. montana</i>	101
3-glucosylcyanidin	<i>C. cyanus</i>	101
	<i>C. lugdunensis</i>	101
	<i>C. montana</i>	101

Table 8 Contd.

Anthocyanin	Species	References
pelargonidin-3-(6"-succinylglucoside)-5-glucoside	<i>C. cyanus</i>	175, 177
succinylcyanin	<i>C. cyanus</i>	178
unidentified anthocyanins	<i>C. cyanus</i>	76, 162
	<i>C. deperss</i>	112

LIGNANS:

Two lignans, arctigenin and (-)-arctigenin were isolated from *C. glomerata* and *C. regia* respectively^{65,186}.

ORGANIC ACIDS:

Organic acids were identified from 15 *Centaurea* species, (Table 9).

Table 9
Organic acids of *centaurea* species

Acid	Species	References
alkonic	<i>C. aspera</i>	151, 152
benzoic	<i>C. aspera</i>	126, 149
caffeic	<i>C. austriaca</i>	129
	<i>C. cyanus</i>	132
chlorogenic	<i>C. austriaca</i>	129
	<i>C. cyanus</i>	132
	<i>C. ciscaucasica</i>	30
	<i>C. jacea</i>	30
	<i>C. montana</i>	130
	<i>C. orientalis</i>	130
ferulic	<i>C. pallescens</i>	15
gibberellic	<i>C. diffusa</i>	48
	<i>C. maculosa</i>	187
neochlorogenic	<i>C. cyanus</i>	132
<i>p</i> -hydroxybenzoic	<i>C. aspera</i>	15, 126, 149
	<i>C. pallescens</i>	15
	<i>C. polypodiifolia</i>	154
	<i>C. regia</i>	186
succinic	<i>C. cyanus</i>	174
venillic	<i>C. regia</i>	186
unidentified	<i>C. aspera</i>	126
	<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	126
	<i>C. melitensis</i>	126
	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	126

ALKALOIDS:

Two alkaloids, brevicespin and stizosphine were isolated from *C. berviceps*¹⁵ and *C. calcitrapa*^{16b} respectively. The former alka-

loid was reported to suppress cardiac activity. Fourteen *Centaurea* species were reported to contain unidentified Alkaloids (Table 10).

Table 10
Alkaloids of *centaurea* species

Alkaloid	Species	References
brevicespine	<i>C. breviceps</i>	115
stizosphine	<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	116b
unidentified alkaloids	<i>C. alexandrina</i>	6
	<i>C. balsamita</i>	23
	<i>C. breviceps</i>	23
	<i>C. burgueriana</i>	116a
	<i>C. calcitrapa</i>	6
	<i>C. glomerata</i>	6
	<i>C. iberica</i>	23
	<i>C. koeieana</i>	23
	<i>C. napifolia</i>	172
	<i>C. napulifera</i>	172
	<i>C. pallescens</i>	6
	<i>C. parilica</i>	10, 11
	<i>C. phyllocephala</i>	172, 184
	<i>C. repens</i>	1
	<i>C. solistitialis</i>	50, 51
<i>C. squarrosa</i>	24, 155	

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