

## C-GLYCOSIDES OF DIPSACACEAE SPECIES

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Continuing an investigation of the chemical composition of *Dipsacus strigosus* Willd. ex Roem., *Knautia montana* (M.B.) D.C., and *Scabiosa columbaria* L. [1], we have detected difficultly hydrolyzable glycoflavones the aglycones of which are apigenin and chrysoeriol.

The C-glycosides were isolated from the flowers, which make up the bulk of the mass of raw material and give a purer product. The air-dry raw material was exhaustively extracted with methanol. The extract was concentrated to 1/3 of its volume. After 10 days, a substance with the composition  $C_{27}H_{30}O_{15}$ , mp 238-240°C (from methanol) was obtained. UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  in  $CH_3OH$  335, 275 nm.

Exhaustive hydrolysis performed by Kiliani's method [2] gave apigenin, D-glucose, and D-arabinose. Acid hydrolysis with 5%  $H_2SO_4$  for 3 h split off D-glucose and formed a substance having the composition  $C_{21}H_{20}O_{10}$ , mp 262-265°C (from methanol). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  in  $CH_3OH$  340, 265 nm. The IR spectrum showed absorption bands in the 1010-1040  $cm^{-1}$  region that are characteristic for a C-glycosidic linkage [3]. On acid isomerization, the C-monoside formed vitexin - an isomer of saponaretin (4',5,7-trihydroxyflavone 6-C- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside). On the basis of its NMR spectrum and a mixed melting point, the glycoflavone isolated was identified as saponaretin 7-O-glucoside. A sample of saponarin was given to us by V. Plouvier.

A second C-glycoside was isolated from *Knautia montana* (M.B.)D.C.

The flowers were extracted with methanol at room temperature, and the extract was concentrated to 1/10 of its volume and diluted with water (1:2). A substance with mp 245-248°C was obtained which, from a preliminary examination, is chrysoeriol 7-O-glucoside 8-C-glucoside.

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