



## CHAPTER II

### HISTORICAL

#### 1. Chemical Constituents of Asclepiadaceae

Plants in the Asclepiadaceae are found to contain a wide range of chemical constituents: steroids, triterpenoids, alkaloids, flavonoids and miscellaneous compounds. The main groups are pregnane steroids, cardenolides and phenanthroindolizidine alkaloids.

List of compounds found in various species of the family Asclepiadaceae is shown in Table 2.1.

**Table 2.1** Chemical constituents of Asclepiadaceae

Botanical Origin	Plant Part	Chemical Substance	Category	Reference
1. <i>Antitoxicum</i> <i>Antitoxicum funebre</i>	unclassified part	antofine	alkaloid	Platonova, Kuzovkov, and Massagetov, 1958
	"	2 unidentified alkaloids	"	"
	"	antoside[3(7)- <i>O</i> -glucosyl-7 (3)-rhamnosylquercetin]	flavonoid (glycoside)	Utkin, and Serebryakova, 1966
<i>Antitoxicum sibiricum</i>	unclassified part	2 alkaloids	alkaloid	Blinova, Mitroshina, and Shatokhina, 1968

<i>Antitoxicum sibiricum</i>	unclassified part	five coumarins four flavonoids	coumarin flavonoid	" "
<b>2. <i>Araujia</i></b>				
<i>Araujia sericifera</i>	leaf, fruit & stem	serotonin	amine	Federici, Galeffi, and Nicoletti, 1988
	leaf & stem	7-O- $\beta$ -D-glucoluteolin	miscellaneous	"
<b>3. <i>Asclepias</i></b>				
<i>Asclepias amplexicaulis</i>	root	amplexoside A	steroid	Piatak <i>et al.</i> , 1985
	"	amplexoside B	"	"
	"	amplexoside C	"	"
<i>Asclepias asperula</i> subsp. <i>capricornu</i>	aerial part	coroglaucigenin	cardenolide	Martin <i>et al.</i> , 1991
	"	5,6-dehydrocalotropin	"	"
	"	5,6-dehydrouscharidin	"	"
	"	desglucouzarin	"	"
	"	6'-O-(E-4-hydroxycinnamoyl)-desglucouzarin	"	"
<i>Asclepias cordifolia</i>	leaf & latex	calactin	cardenolide	Seiber, Nelson, and Lee, 1982
	"	calotoxin	"	"
	"	calotropagenin	"	"
	"	calotropin	"	"
	"	uscharidin	"	"
	"	uscharin	"	"
<i>Asclepias cornuti</i>	seed	linoleic	fatty acid	Krivenchuk, 1957
	"	linolenic	"	"
	"	oleic	"	"
	"	palmitic	"	"

<i>Asclepias curassavica</i>	leaf	asclepogenin	cardenolide	Tschesche, Forstmann, and Rao, 1958
	"	ascurogenin	"	"
	"	clepogenin	"	"
	"	coroglaucigenin	"	"
	"	corotoxigenin	"	"
	"	curassavogenin	"	"
	"	uzarigenin	"	"
	unclassified part	curassavicin	"	Lo et al., 1964
	leaf	asclepin	"	Singh, and Rastogi, 1969
	"	calotropin	"	"
	"	uzarin	"	"
	leaf & latex	calactin	"	1.Singh, and Rastogi, 1969, 2.Seiber <i>et al</i> , 1982
	"	calotropagenin	"	"
	"	calotoxin	"	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982
	"	uscharin	"	"
leaf, latex & aerial part	uscharidin	"	1.Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982; 2.Groeneveld <i>et</i> <i>al.</i> , 1990	
latex & aerial part	voruscharin	"	"	
<i>Asclepias eriocarpa</i>	ground part	eriocarpin	cardenolide	Seiber, Roeske, and Benson, 1978
	leaf, latex & ground part	labriformidin	"	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1978
	"	labriformin	"	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982
	leaf & latex	desglucosyrioside	"	"

<i>Asclepias fruticosa</i> ( <i>Gomphocarpus fruticosus</i> )	aerial part	afroside	cardenolide	1. Watson, 1966;
	"	gomphoside	"	2. Cheung, Nelson, and Watson, 1988
	"	3'-epi-afroside	"	Cheung <i>et al.</i> , 1988
	"	3'-epi-afroside-3'-acetate	"	"
	"	3'-didehydroafroside	"	"
	"	asclepin	"	"
	"	calactin	"	"
	"	3'-didehydrogomphoside	"	"
	"	3'-epi-gomphoside	"	"
	"	3'-epi-gomphoside-3'-	"	"
	"	4 $\beta$ -hydroxygomphoside	"	"
	"	uscharidin	"	"
	"	uscharin	"	"
"	19-deoxyuscharin	"	"	
<i>Asclepias glaucescens</i>	latex & aerial part	labriformin	cardenolide	Fonseca <i>et al.</i> , 1991
	"	taraxasterol	triterpenoid	"
	"	$\omega$ -taraxasterol acetates	"	"
<i>Asclepias glaucophylla</i>	root	$\beta$ -anhydrouszarigenin	cardenolide	Nasciments <i>et al.</i> , 1964 <sub>b</sub>
	"	ascleposide (6-deoxy- $\alpha$ -D-alloside of uzarigenin)	"	"
	"	coroglaucigenin	"	"
	"	linelone	"	"
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	"	uzarigenin	"	"
	"	digitalose	sugar	"
	"	digitoxose	"	"
	"	glucose	"	"

<i>Asclepias glaucophylla</i>	root	thevetose	sugar	"
	"	new butenolide mp. 251 - 253°C	butenolide	Nasciments <i>et al.</i> , 19964 <sub>a</sub>
	"	new butenolide mp. 275 - 282°C	"	"
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	leaf	C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> alkanes	alkane	Piatak & Eichmeier, 1972
<i>Asclepias labriformis</i>	aerial part	eriocarpin	cardenolide	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1978
	"	labriformidin	"	"
	"	labriformin	"	"
<i>Asclepias lanuginosa</i>	leaf	C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> alkanes	alkane	Piatak & Eichmeier, 1972
<i>Asclepias latifolia</i>	aerial part	β-amyrin acetate	triterpenoid	Doninguez, and Torres, 1972
	"	β-amyrin benzoate	"	"
	"	β-sitosterol acetate	sterol	"
<i>Asclepias lilacina</i>	root	campesterol	sterol	Sawlewicz, Weiss, and Reichstein, 1967 <sub>a</sub>
	"	β-sitosterol	"	"
	"	stigmasterol	"	"
	"	<i>p</i> -hydroxyacetophenone	Miscellaneous	"
	"	lilacinoside-α	cardenolide	"
	"	uzarigenin	"	"



<i>Asclepias lilacina</i>	unclassified part	asclepobiose	sugar	Sawlewicz, Weiss, and Reichstein, 1967 <sub>b</sub>
	"	cymarose	sugar	"
	"	lilacinoside-3	cardenolide	"
	"	genin B, C, D	"	"
	rhizome	drebyssobiose	sugar	Allgeier, 1968
	"	viminose	"	"
<i>Asclepias linaria</i>	aerial part	calactin	cardenolide	Rodriguez- Hahn, and Fonseca, 1991
	"	calotoxin	"	"
	"	6'- <i>p</i> -coumaroyl- desglucouzarin	"	"
	"	desglucouzarin	"	"
	"	gomphoside	"	"
	"	proceroside	"	"
	"	oleanolic acid	fatty acid	Dominguez, 1974
	"	sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	Ψ-taraxasteryl acetate	triterpenoid	"
	"	triacontane	alkane	"
<i>Asclepias mellodora</i>	unclassified part	uzarigenin	cardenolide	Petricic, 1967
<i>Asclepias ruthiae</i>	seed	uzarin	cardenolide	Sady, and Seiber, 1991
<i>Asclepias speciosa</i>	leaf	desglucosyrioside	cardenolide	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982
	aerial part	aspecioside (7β, 8β- epoxy cardenolide glycoside)	"	Cheung, and Watson, 1986
	"	syriobioside	"	"

<i>Asclepias subulata</i>	aerial part	calactin	cardenolide	Jolad <i>et al.</i> , 1986
	"	calotropin	"	"
	"	coroglaucigenin 3 $\beta$ - <i>D</i> - glucoside	"	"
	"	corotoxigenin 3 $\beta$ - <i>D</i> - glucoside	"	"
	"	frugoside 4' $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucoside	"	"
	"	3 $\beta$ -( $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranosyl- oxy)-19-carboxy-14 $\beta$ - hydroxycard20(22)enolide	"	"
	"	16 $\alpha$ -hydroxycalactin	"	"
	"	uzarigenin 3 $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucoside	"	"
	"	uscharidin	"	"
	"	uscharin	"	"
	"	4( $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranosyloxy)- -larciresinol	lignan (glycoside)	"
"	lupeol	triterpenoid	"	
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	unclassified part	hemicellulose	miscellaneous	Barth, 1958
	seed	11,12-dihydroxystearic acid	fatty acid	Chisholm, and Hopkins, 1960
	"	9,12-hexadecadienoic acid	"	"
	"	9-hexadecenoic acid	"	"
	"	linoleic acid	"	"
	"	linolenic acid	"	"
	"	<i>cis</i> -11-octadecenoic acid	"	"
	"	oleic acid	"	"
	"	palmitic acid	"	"
	"	stearic acid	"	"
	unclassified part	resin	miscellaneous	Gomez <i>et al.</i> , 1960
"	rubber hydrocarbon	"	"	
"	desglucouzarin	cardenolide	Baver <i>et al.</i> , 1961	

<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	unclassified part	uzarigenin	cardenolide	Baver <i>et al.</i> , 1961
	root & leaf	nicotine	alkaloid	Kowalewski, and Drost, 1966
	"	unidentified pyridine alkaloid	"	"
	root	syriobiside	cardenolide	Petricic, 1967
	"	syriogenin glycosides	"	"
	"	syrioside	"	"
	"	uzarigenin- <i>D</i> -glucoside	"	"
	leaf	isorhamnetin	flavonoid	Gonnet, Kozjek, and Favre- Bonvin, 1973
	"	kaempferol	"	"
	"	3,5,3',4' tetrahydroxy-	"	"
	"	7,8-(2",2"-dimethyl-4"- methyl-5",6")pyranoflavone	"	"
	aerial part	aspeciside	cardenolide	Cheung, and Watson, 1986
	"	syriobioside	"	"
	latex	lysozyme	miscellaneous	Lynn, 1989
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	root	glucofrugoside	cardenolide	Petricic, 1966
	unclassified part	uzarigenin	"	Petricic, 1967
	"	coroglaucigenin	"	"
<i>Asclepias verticillata</i>	leaf	C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> alkanes	alkane	Piatak & Eichmeier, 1972
<i>Asclepias vestita</i> subsp. <i>parishii</i>	leaf & latex	calactin	cardenolide	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982
	"	calotropagenin	"	"
	"	calotropin	"	"



<i>Asclepias vestita</i> subsp. <i>parishii</i>	leaf & latex	calotoxin	cardenolide	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982
	"	uscharidin	"	"
	"	calactin	"	"
	"	calotropagenin	"	"
	"	calotropin	"	"
	"	calotoxin	"	"
	"	uscharidin	"	"
	"	uscharin	"	"
<i>Asclepias viridiflora</i>	leaf	C <sub>23</sub> -C <sub>33</sub> alkanes	alkane	Piatak & Eichmeier, 1972
<i>Asclepias viridis</i>	aerial part	5,6-dehydroasclepin	cardenolide	Martin <i>et al.</i> , 1991
<i>Asclepias viridis</i>	"	5,6-dehydrouscharidin	"	"
<b>4. <i>Boucerosia</i></b>				
<i>Boucerosia aucheriana</i>	whole plant	boucerin	steroid	Nikaido, Shimizu, and Mitsuhashi, 1967
	"	dihydroboucerin	"	"
	aerial part	12- <i>O</i> -benzoyl-20- <i>O</i> -acetyl- boucerin	"	Hayashi <i>et al.</i> , 1988
	"	12- <i>O</i> -benzoyl-20- <i>O</i> -acetyl- -dihydroboucerin	"	"
	"	12- <i>O</i> -benzoyl-boucerin	"	"
	"	12- <i>O</i> -benzoyl-dihydro- boucerin	"	"
	"	boucerosides AI	"	"
	"	boucerosides AII	"	"
	"	boucerosides BI	"	"
	"	boucerosides BII	"	"

<i>Boucerosia aucheriana</i>	aerial part	bouceroides ANC	steroid	Tanaka, Tsukamoto, and Hayashi, 1990
	"	bouceroides ADC	"	"
	"	bouceroides ANO	"	"
	"	bouceroides ADO	"	"
	"	bouceroides BNO	"	"
	"	bouceroides BDO	"	"
	"	bouceroides BNC	"	"
	"	bouceroides BDC	"	"
	"	bouceroides CNO	"	"
	"	bouceroides CNC	"	"
<b>5. Calotropis</b>				
<i>Calotropis gigantea</i>	flower & seed	hyperoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968 <sub>a</sub>
	"	quercetin	flavonoid	"
	flower	kaempferol	flavonoid (glycoside)	"
	"	rutin	flavonoid	"
	root bark	$\alpha$ -amyrin benzoate	titerpenoid	Anjansyula, and Row, 1968
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin benzoate	"	"
	"	$\psi$ -taraxasterol benzoate	"	"
	root bark&latex	$\alpha$ -amyrin	"	1 Anjansyula & Row, 1968 2 Thakur <i>et al.</i> , 1984
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	$\psi$ -taraxasterol	"	"
	"	$\psi$ -taraxasterol acetate	"	"
	latex	3'-methylbutanoate of $\psi$ -taraxasterol	"	Thakur <i>et al.</i> , 1984
	"	lupeol	"	"
	"	lupeol acetate	"	"

<i>Calotropis gigantea</i>	latex	3'-methylbutanoate of lupeol	triterpenoid	Thakur <i>et al.</i> , 1984
	"	24-methylenecyclo artanol	"	"
	root & latex	$\alpha$ -amyrin acetate	"	1.Thakur <i>et al.</i> , 1984 2.Kitagawa <i>et al.</i> , 1992
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin acetate	"	"
	"	$\alpha$ -amyrin-methylbutanoate	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin-methylbutanoate	"	"
	root	calotroposide A-G	steroid	Kitagawa <i>et al.</i> , 1992
	"	frugoside	"	"
	"	4'- $\beta$ -D-glucofrugoside	"	"
	<i>Calotropis procera</i>	root bark	benzoylisolineolone	steroid
"		benzoyllineolone	"	"
"		isolineolone	"	"
"		lineolone	"	"
leaf		$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Saber, and Mahran, 1968
"		$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
"		$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
leaf & latex		calactin	cardenolide	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982
"		calotropagenin	"	"
"		calotropin	"	"
"		calotoxin	"	"
"		uscharidin	"	"
"	uscharin	"	"	
latex	voruscharin	thiazolidine derivative	Seiber <i>et al.</i> , 1982	

<i>Calotropis procera</i>	flower	calotropenyl acetate	triterpenoid	Khan <i>et al.</i> , 1988
	"	procesterol	sterol	Khan, and Malik, 1989
<b>6. <i>Caralluma</i></b>				
<i>Caralluma buchardii</i>	whole plant	guimarenol	triterpenoid	Castro <i>et al.</i> , 1980
	"	lupenone	"	"
	"	lupeol	"	"
	"	lupeol acetate	"	"
	"	3,4-seco-lup20(29)-en-3- oic-acid methyl ester	"	"
	"	sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	sitosterol acetate	"	"
<i>Caralluma tuberculata</i> ( <i>Boucerosia aucheriana</i> )	whole plant	caratubersides A	steroid	Admad, Usmanghani, and Rizwani, 1988
	"	caratubersides B	"	"
	"	boucerin	"	"
	"	dihydroboucerin	"	"
<b>7. <i>Ceropegia</i></b>				
<i>Ceropegia juncea</i>	whole plant	cerpegin	alkaloid	Adibatti <i>et al.</i> , 1991
	"	lupeol	triterpenoid	"
<i>Ceropegia woodii</i>	leaf	hexacosane	alkane	Salgues, 1958
<b>8. <i>Chlorocodon</i></b>				
<i>Chlorocodon</i> sp.	root	<i>p</i> -methoxysalicylaldehyde	miscellaneous	Mascre, and Paris, 1947
	root & seed	unidentified alkaloids	alkaloid	"
<i>Chlorocodon whiteii</i>	root	<i>p</i> -methoxysalicylaldehyde	miscellaneous	Gailly, 1947

9. <i>Cryptolepis</i>				
<i>Cryptolepis buchanani</i>	stem	buchananine	alkaloid	Dutta, Sharma B.N., and Sharma P.V., 1978
<i>Cryptolepis buchanani</i>	"	1,3,6- <i>O</i> -trinicotinoyl- $\alpha$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranose	" (glycoside)	Dutta, Sharma B.N., and Sharma P.V., 1980
	root	sarmentocymarin	cardenolide	Shah, and Khare, 1981
	"	sarmentogenin	"	"
	"	buchanin	"	Khare, and Shan, 1983
	"	cryptanoside C-D	"	Purushothaman <i>et al.</i> , 1988
	"	germanicol doconosate	Miscellaneous	"
	leaf	cryptanoside A-B	cardenolide	"
	"	cryptosin	"	Venkateswara <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<i>Cryptolepis sanguinolenta</i>	leaf	cryptosine	alkaloid	Raymond- Hamlet, 1937
	root	cryptolepine	"	Gellert, Raymond- Hamet, and Schlittler, 1951
	"	quinaline	"	Dwuma-Badu <i>et al.</i> , 1978
10. <i>Cryptostegia</i>				
<i>Cryptostegia grandiflora</i>	leaf & stem	cryptograndoside A	cardenolide	Aebi, and Reichstein, 1950
	"	cryptograndoside B	"	"
	leaf	cryptograndoside C	"	"

<i>Cryptostegia grandiflora</i>	leaf	16-desacetylanhydro cryptograndoside A	cardenolide	"
	"	16-desacetylanhydro cryptograndoside B	"	"
	leaf & stem	16-anhydrogitoxigenin	"	Doskotchet <i>et al.</i> , 1972
	"	gitoxigenin	"	"
	"	oleandrigenin	"	"
	"	oleandrigenin-3-rhamnoside	"	"
<i>Cryptostegia madagascariensis</i>	"	propionylgitoxigenin	"	"
	leaf & stem	16-anhydrogitoxigenin	cardenolide	Sanduja <i>et al.</i> , 1984
	"	16-anhydrogitoxigenin-3 -rhamnoside	"	"
	"	digitoxigenin	"	"
	"	14,16-dianhydrogitoxi- genin-3-rhamnoside	"	"
	"	oleandrigenin	"	"
	"	16-propionylgitoxigenin -3-rhamnoside	"	"
	"	3 $\beta$ -hydroxyurs-12-en-28- oic acid	triterpenoid	Douis <i>et al.</i> , 1985
	"	lup-20(29)-en-3 $\beta$ -ol	"	"
	"	lup-20(29)-en-3-one	"	"
"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"	
<b>11. <i>Cynanchum</i></b>				
<i>Cynanchum africanum</i>	unclassified part	methyl- $\alpha$ -cymaropyranose	miscellaneous	Tsukamoto <i>et al.</i> , 1986 <sub>b</sub>
"	"	methyl- $\beta$ -cymaropyranose	"	"
"	"	cynafogenin	cardenolide	Tsukamoto <i>et al.</i> , 1986 <sub>a</sub>

<i>Cynanchum africanum</i>	leaf & stem	cynafoside A-D	cardenolide	Tsukamoto, Hayashi, and Kaheko, 1988
<i>Cynanchum atratum</i>	root	14,15-seco-pregnanes	steroid	Zhang <i>et al.</i> , 1988
	root & rootstock	atratosides A-D	cardenolide	1.Zhang <i>et al.</i> , 1988 2.Tang & Eisenbrand, 1992
	rootstock.	atrotogenin A-B	"	Tang & Eisenbrand, 1992
	"	cynajapogenin A	"	"
	"	cynatratosides A-F	"	"
	"	glaucogenin A,C,H	"	"
<i>Cynanchum boerhavifolium</i>	aerial part	$\beta$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Mitsubishi, and Mizuta, 1969
	"	benzoylisolineolone	steroid	"
	"	isolineolone	"	"
	"	isoramanone	"	"
	"	lineolone	"	"
<i>Cynanchum caudatum</i>	root	cynanchogenin	cardenolide	Mitsubishi, and Shimizu, 1959
	"	cynanchotoxin	"	Mitsubishi, and Shimizu, 1960
	"	<i>D</i> -cymarose	Sugar	"
	"	lupeol acetate	triterpenoid	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	tuberous root	penupogenin	cardenolide	Mitsubishi <i>et al.</i> , 1962

<i>Cynanchum caudatum</i>	leaf & stem	deacetylcynanchogenin	cardenolide	Mitsuhashi <i>et al.</i> , 1962
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	unclassified part	deacylmetaplexigenin	"	Yamagishi, and Mitsuhashi, 1972 <sub>a</sub>
	"	isolineolon	"	"
	"	lineolon	"	"
	rhizome	caudatin	"	Yamagishi, and Mitsuhashi, 1972 <sub>b</sub>
	"	ikemagenin	"	"
	"	isoikemagenin	"	"
<i>Cynanchum japonicum</i>	leaf	cynajaponin	cardenolide	Hayashi <i>et al.</i> , 1986
<i>Cynanchum glaucescens</i>	rhizome	glaucogenin A-C	cardenolide	Tang & Eisenbrand, 1992
	"	glaucogeninC-3-O- $\beta$ -D-thevetopyranoside	"	"
	"	glaucoside A-I	"	"
<i>Cynanchum hancockianum</i>	aerial part	antofine	alkaloid	Li, Peng, and Ohda, 1989
	"	de-6-O-methyl antofine	"	"
	leaf	hancokinol	triterpenoid	Takayanaki, <i>et al.</i> , 1991
	"	hancolupenol	"	"
	"	hancolupenone	"	"
	root	glaucogenin A,C	cardenolide	Konda <i>et al.</i> , 1992



<i>Cynanchum haneockianum</i>	root	hancopregnane	steroid	Konda <i>et al.</i> , 1992
	"	1- <i>p</i> -menthene-8,9-diol	monoterpene	"
	"	<i>p</i> -menthane-1,7,8-triol	"	"
	"	<i>p</i> -menthene-1,8,9-triol	"	"
	"	2-acetylphenol-1- $\beta$ - <i>D</i> - glucopyranosyl- (1->6)- $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -xylpyranoside	glycoside	Lou <i>et al.</i> , 1993
	"	$\beta$ - <i>D</i> -fructofuranosyl- $\alpha$ - <i>D</i> - (6- <i>O</i> - <i>E</i> -sinapoylgluco pyranoside)	"	"
	"	6- <i>O</i> -[ <i>E</i> ]-sinapoyl-( $\alpha$ -and $\beta$ )- <i>D</i> -glucopyranoside	"	"
<i>Cynanchum otophyllum</i>	root	caudatin	steroid (ester)	Tang & Eisenbrand, 1992
	"	otophylloside A-B	steroid	"
	"	qingyangshengenin	steroid (ester)	"
	"	rostratamine	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	methyl palmitate	miscellaneous	"
	"	vanillic acid	"	"
	"	digitoxose	sugar	"
<i>Cynanchum paniculatum</i>	whole plant	cynapanosides A-C	cardenolide	Sugama <i>et al.</i> , 1986
	"	cynatratoside B	"	"
	"	glaucogenin B,D	"	"
	"	3 $\beta$ ,14-dihydroxy-14 $\beta$ - pregn-5-en-20-one	steroid	"
	root	neocynapanoside A	cardenolide	Sugama, and Hayashi, 1988

<i>Cynanchum sibirium</i>	unclassified part	cinnamoyl ester of sarcostin	cardenolide	Maslennikova, Tursunova, and Abukakirov, 1969
<i>Cynanchum sibirium</i>	unclassified part	cinnamoyl ester of sibicoside	"	"
	"	sibirigenin	"	"
<i>Cynanchum versicolor</i>	root	cynaversicoside A-E	steroid	1.Qiu, Zhang, and Zhou, 1989 2.Qui <i>et al.</i> , 1991
	"	glaucogenin C-D	cardenolide	"
<i>Cynanchum vincetoxicum</i>	unclassified part	vincetoxin	cardenolide (glycoside)	Mitsuhashi, and Shimizu, 1960
	root	chlorogenic acid	miscellaneous	Haznagy, and Toth, 1967
	"	sinaptic acid	"	"
	"	6,7,-(trimethoxy)-9,10-dehydro-9,10-phenanthroindolizidin	alkaloid	Haznagy, and Toth, and Szendrei, 1967
	aerial part	tylophorine	"	Wiegreb <i>et al.</i> , 1969
	"	alkaloid II	"	"
	"	alkaloid III	"	"
	"	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Toth, Haznagy, and Makay, 1969
	"	friedelin	"	"
	"	sitosterol	sterol	"
	root	2,4-dihydroxyacetophenone	miscellaneous	"
"	3-methoxy and 4-hydroxyacetophenone	"	"	
leaf	antofine	alkaloid	Li <i>et al.</i> , 1989	

<i>Cynanchum vincetoxicum</i>	leaf	de-6-O-methylantofine	alkaloid	Li <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<i>Cynanchum wallichii</i>	root	caudatin	cardenolide	Tang, Eisenbrand, 1992
	"	deacetylmetaplexigenin	"	"
	"	gagaminine	"	"
	"	qingyangshengenin	"	"
	"	rostratamine	"	"
	"	wallicoside	"	"
<i>Cynanchum wilfordi</i>	leaf	cynanchogenin	steroid	Mitsuhashi, and Shimizu, 1962
	"	caudatin	"	Hayashi, and Mitsuhashi, 1972
	"	deacylmetaplexigenin	"	"
	"	kidjolanin	"	"
	"	lineolon	"	"
	"	penupogenin	"	"
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	"	wilforine	"	"
	"	glucobiose	sugar	Hayashi <i>et al.</i> , 1983
"	wilfoside	cardenolide	Tsukamoto <i>et al.</i> , 1988	
<b>12. <i>Daemia</i></b>				
<i>Daemia extensa</i> ( <i>Pergularia extensa</i> )	stem	hyperoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968 <sub>a</sub>
	"	kaempferol	"	"
	"	quercetin	"	"
	root	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Seshadri, and Vydeeswaran, 1971

<i>Daemia extensa</i>	root	$\alpha$ -amyrin acetate	triterpenoid	Seshadri, and Vydeeswaran, 1971
	"	lupeol	"	"
	"	lupeol acetate	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol- $\beta$ -D- glucopyranoside	"	"
	"	calactin	cardenolide	"
	"	calotropin	"	"
	"	coroglaucigenin	"	"
	"	uzarigenin	"	"
<b>13. <i>Decalepis</i></b>				
<i>Decalepis hamiltonii</i>	root	4-methoxyresorcylaldehyde	miscellaneous	1. Roa, and Iyengar, 1923 2. Murti, and Seshadri, 1941 <sub>a</sub>
	"	inositol	triterpenoid	Murti and Seshadri, 1941 <sub>b</sub>
	"	$\alpha$ -amyrin	"	Murti and Seshadri, 1941 <sub>c</sub>
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin acetate	"	"
	"	lupeol	"	"
<b>14. <i>Dregea</i></b>				
<i>Dregea lanceolata</i> ( <i>Marsdenia lanceolata</i> )	root	$\alpha$ -amyrin acetate	triterpenoid	Krishna <i>et al.</i> , 1990 <sub>a</sub>
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	ceolin	steroid	"
	"	drelin	"	"
	"	dregealin	"	Krishna <i>et al.</i> , 1990 <sub>b</sub>

<i>Dregea lanceolata</i>	root	dregenin	steroid	Krishna <i>et al.</i> , 1990 <sub>b</sub>
<i>Dregea sinensis</i> var. <i>corrugata</i>	rhizome	dregeoside A-C	steroid	Jin, Zhou, and Mu, 1989
	"	12- <i>O</i> -benzoyl-drevogenin- 3- <i>O</i> - $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -oleandropyranosyl -(1- $\rightarrow$ 4)- - <i>O</i> - $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -cymaropyranosyl-(1- $\rightarrow$ 4)- <i>O</i> - $\beta$ - <i>D</i> - cymaropyranoside	"	"
	"	drevogenin	cardenolide	"
<i>Dregea volubilis</i>	leaf	drevoside A	cardenolide	Mitsuhashi, and Shimizu, 1960
	seed	drevogenin A,B,D,P	"	Hayashi, Kakao, and Mitsuhashi, 1969
	stem	dregoside A	"	"
	"	drebyssogenin G	"	"
	"	isodrevogenin P	"	"
	leaf	dregeatriose	sugar	Hayashi <i>et al.</i> , 1983
<b>15. <i>Finlaysonia</i></b>				
<i>Finlaysonia obovata</i>	leaf	$\alpha$ -amyrin acetate	triterpenoid	Pradhan, and Mukhopadhyay, 1985
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin acetate	"	"
	bark	lupeol acetate	"	"
	leaf & bark	ursolic acid	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	leaf	stigmasterol	"	"

16. <i>Glossostelma</i>				
<i>Glossostelma carsoni</i>	unclassified part	$\beta$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Reichstein <i>et al.</i> , 1967
	"	3-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	3-O-isovaleryl- $\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	luepol	"	"
	"	campesterol	sterol	"
	"	cholesterol	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	"	"
	"	stigmasterol	"	"
	"	deacetylmetaplexigenin	cardenolide	"
	"	lineolone	"	"
	"	perioplogenin	"	"
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	"	strophanthidin	"	"
	"	xysmalogenin	"	"
	"	6-unidentified cardenolides	"	"
	"	xysmalogenin- $\beta$ -D-sarmentoside	"	"
<i>Glossastelma spathulatum</i>	whole plant	strophanthidin	cardenolide	Mauli, Tamm, and Reichstein, 1957
	"	strophanthidin- $\beta$ -D-glucoside	"	"
17. <i>Gomphocarpus</i>				
<i>Gomphocarpus fruticosus</i>	leaf	$\beta$ -anhydrogomphogenin	cardenolide	Carman, Combe, and Watson, 1964
	"	gomphoside	cardenolide (glycoside)	"
<i>Gomphocarpus sp.</i>	root	xysmalogenin	cardenolide	1. Tschesche & Brathg, 1952

<i>Gomphocarpus</i> sp	"	allouzarigenin	cardenolide	2. Tschesche, Ruhsen, and Snatzke, 1955
	"	uzaron	"	Tschesche, Freytag, and Snatzke, 1959
	"	5 $\alpha$ -pregnanol-(3 $\beta$ )-one(20)	"	Tschesche, and Snatzke, 1960
	"	$\Delta^5$ -pregnenol-(3 $\beta$ )-one(20)	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
<b>18. <i>Gymnena</i></b>				
<i>Gymnena sylvestre</i>	leaf	conduritol A	miscellaneous	Manni, and Sinsheimer, 1965
	"	hentriacontane	alkane	"
	"	nonacosane	"	"
	"	tritriacontane	"	"
	"	viburnitol	cyclic alcohol	"
	"	gymnemagenin	triterpenoid	Rao, and Sinsheimer, 1968
	"	gymnemic acid	"	"
	"	gymnestrogenin	"	Rao, and Sinsheimer, 1971
	"	gymnanine	alkaloid	Sinsheimer, and McIlhenny, 1972
<b>19. <i>Hemidesmus</i></b>				
<i>Hemidesmus indicus</i>	root	2-hydroxy-4-methoxy-benzaldehyde	miscellaneous	Dutta, Ghosh, and Chopra, 1938

<i>Hemidesmus indicus</i>	root	hemidesmol	sterol	Dutta, Ghosh, and Chopra, 1938
	"	hemidosterol	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	"	Chatterjec, and Bhattacharyya, 1955
	leaf & flower	hyperoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968a
	"	quercetin	flavonoid	"
	"	rutin	flavonoid (glycoside)	"
	flower	isoquercitrin	flavonoid	"
	root	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Padhy, Mahato, and Dutta, 1973
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin acetate	"	"
	"	hexatriacontane	alkane	"
	"	lupeol	triterpenoid	"
	"	lupeol acetate	"	"
	root, leaf, stem	campesterol	sterol	Heble, and Chadha, 1978
	"	cholesterol	"	"
	"	16-dehydroregnenolone	steroid	"
	twig	desinine	"	Oberai, Khare, M.P., and Khare, A., 1985
stem	hemidine	"	Prakash <i>et al.</i> , 1991	
"	indicine	"	"	
<b>20. <i>Heterostemma</i></b> <i>Heterostemma tanjorensis</i>	pericarp	quercetin	flavonoid	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968a



<i>Heterostemma tanjorensis</i>	stem & follicle	rutin	flavonoid (glycoside)	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968a
21. <i>Hoya</i>				
<i>Hoya angustifolia</i>	leaf	vitexin	flavonoid (glycoside)	Niemann, 1980
<i>Hoya australis</i>	leaf	apigenin-7-ferulyl glucoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Niemann, 1980
	"	apigenin-7-glucoside	"	"
	"	apigenin-7-rutinoside	"	"
	"	chlorogenic acid	miscellaneous	"
	"	chrysoeriol-7-rutinoside	flavonoid	"
<i>Hoya imperialis</i>	leaf	kaempferol-3-diglucoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Niemann, 1980
<i>Hoya lacunosa</i>	leaf	6,8,-di-C-arbinosyl- apigenin	flavonoid	Niemann, 1980
	"	ferulic acid	miscellaneous	"
	"	di-C-glycosides- isoschaftoside	flavonoid	"
	"	schaftoside	"	"
	leaf	dihydronyctanthic acid - methyl ester	miscellaneous	Baas, 1983
<i>Hoya latifolia</i>	leaf	chlorogenic acid	miscellaneous	Niemann, 1980
	"	isovitexin	flavonoid	"
<i>Hoya naumanii</i>	leaf	n-hydrocarbons (mainly n-C <sub>31</sub> & n-C <sub>33</sub> )	alkane	Baas, and Ivonne, 1991
	"	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	"
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	lupeol	"	"
	"	methyl-3,4-seco-olean- 12-ene-3-oate	"	"



<i>Hoya naumanii</i>	leaf	3,4-seco-3-acid-methyl-ester of lupeol	triterpenoid	Baas, and Ivonne, 1991
	"	methyl-3,4-seco-urs-12-en-3-oate	"	"
<i>Hoya obovata</i>	leaf	chlorogenic acid	miscellaneous	Neimann, 1980
	"	isovitexin	flavonoid	"
<b>22. <i>Leptadenia</i></b>				
<i>Leptadenia pyrotechnica</i>	aerial part	fernenol	triterpenoid	Manavalan, and Mithal, 1980
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	taraxerol	triterpenoid	"
	whole plant	leptadenol	"	Noor <i>et al.</i> , 1993
<i>Leptadenia reticulata</i>	latex	quercetin	flavonoid	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968 <sub>a</sub>
	latex & seed	hyperoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	"
	follicle & pericarp	isoquercetrin	"	"
	"	kaempferol	flavonoid	"
	"	rutin	flavonoid (glycoside)	"
	seed	mesoinositol	triterpenoid	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968 <sub>b</sub>
	"	mesoinositol - monomethyl ether	"	"
	"	$\gamma$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
<b>23. <i>Margaretta</i></b>				
<i>Margaretta rosea</i> subsp. <i>rosea</i>	root	ascleposide	cardenolide	Sierp, Stoecklin, and Reichstein, 1970

<i>Margaretta rosea</i> subsp. <i>rosea</i>	root	coroglaucigenin	cardenolide	Sierp, Stoecklin, and Reichstein, 1970
	"	corotoxigenin	"	"
	"	frugoside	"	"
	"	gofruside	"	"
	"	uzarigenin	"	"
	"	<i>O</i> -acetyl- $\beta$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	"
<b>24. <i>Marsdenia</i></b>				
<i>Marsdenia cundurango</i>	unclassified part	condurangin	cardenolide	Mitsuhashi, and Shimizu, 1960
	"	conduritol A	"	Manni, and Sinsheimer, 1965
	cortex	dihydrodrevogenin-D	"	Hayashi, and Mitsuhashi, 1968
	"	drevogenin-D	"	"
	"	marsdenin	"	"
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	bark	kondurangoglycoside A,C	"	"
	"	kandurangogenin A,C	"	"
	"	condurangoglycoside	steroid	Berger, Junior, and Kopanski, 1988
	"	condurangogenin	"	"
<i>Marsdenia erecta</i>	unclassified part	marsectobiose	sugar	Saner, and Allgeier, 1969
	"	drevogenin-P	steroid	Saner, Stockel and Reichstein, 1972
	"	marsectohexol	"	"

<i>Marsdenia erecta</i>	root	marsdenin	steroid	Baytop <i>et al.</i> , 1959
<i>Marsdenia pringlei</i>	dried plant	$\beta$ -amyrin juarezate ( $\beta$ -amyrin-5-phenyl- pentadien-2,4-ate)	triterpenoid	Dominguez <i>et al.</i> , 1974
<i>Marsdenia rostrata</i>	dried plant	anabasine	alkaloid	Summons, Ellis, and Gellert, 1972
	"	dihydrorostratine	steroidal alkaloid	"
	"	rostratine	"	"
	"	metaplexigenin	steroid	"
<i>Marsdenia tenacissima</i>	seed	cissogenin	steroid	Singhal, Khare, M.P., and Khare, A., 1980 <sub>a</sub>
	"	tenasogenin	"	Singhal, Khare, M.P., and Khare, A., 1980 <sub>b</sub>
	stem	tenacissosides A-E	steroid	Miyakawa <i>et al.</i> , 1986
<i>Marsdenia tomentosa</i>	whole plant	sarcostin	steroid	Mitsuhashi <i>et al.</i> , 1962 <sub>a</sub>
	"	tomentogenin	"	"
	unclassified part	dehydrotomentogenin	"	Mitsuhashi, Sato, and Nomura, 1965
	stem	kidjolanin	"	Horii, Ohkawa, and Iwata, 1972
	"	penupogenin	"	"

<i>Marsdenia tomentosa</i>	stem	utendin	steroid	Horii, Ohkawa, and Iwata, 1972
<i>Marsdenia volubilis</i>	follicle & hair	hyperoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968 <sub>a</sub>
	"	quercetin	flavonoid	"
	"	rutin	flavonoid (glycoside)	"
	bark	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	Rao, D.V., and Rao, E.V., 1969
	stem, leaf, bark	kaemferol	flavonoid	1. Subramanian, and Nair, 1968 2. Rao, D.V., and Rao, E.V., 1969
	"	kaemferol glycoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	"
<b>25. <i>Menabea</i></b>				
<i>Menabea venenata</i>	root	menabein	cardenolide	Raymond- Hamet, 1936
	"	menabegenin	"	Frerejacque, 1959
<b>26. <i>Metaplexis</i></b>				
<i>Metaplexis japonica</i> ( <i>Pergularia japonica</i> )	stem & leaf	sarcostin	cardenolide	Mitsubishi <i>et</i> <i>al.</i> , 1962 <sub>b</sub>
	leaf	benzoylramanone	-	Mitsubishi, and Nomura, 1964
	"	deacylcynanchogenin	cardenolide	"
	"	metaplexigenin	"	"
	stem & leaf	pergularin	"	"
	"	utendin	"	"

<i>Metaplexis japonica</i>	unclassified part	stephanol	-	Fukuoka, and Mitsuhashi, 1968
	"	dibenzoylgagaimol	-	Nomura, and Mitsuhashi, 1972
	root	7 $\alpha$ -OH-12-O-benzoyl-deacylmetaplexigenin	cardenolide	Nomura, Fukai and, Kuramochi, 1981
<b>27. <i>Mondia</i></b>				
<i>Mondia whytei</i>	tuberous root	2-hydroxy-4-methoxy-benzaldehyde	miscellaneous	Msonthi <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<b>28. <i>Orthenthera</i></b>				
<i>Orthenthera viminea</i>	dried twig	orgogenin	steroid	Tiwari, Khare, A. and Khare, M.P., 1985
	"	orthenin	"	"
	"	penupogenin	"	Kaur, and Khare, 1985
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	"	sarcogenin	"	Kaur, and Khare, 1988
	"	$\alpha$ -amyirin acetate	triterpenoid	"
	"	$\beta$ -amyirin	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	therogenin	cardenolide	"
<b>29. <i>Oxystelma</i></b>				
<i>Oxystelma esculentum</i>	root	oxystine	steroid	Trivedi, and Khare, 1988
	"	oxysine	"	Trivedi, and Khare, 1989
	"	esculentin	"	Trivedi, and Khare, 1990

<i>Oxystelma esculentum</i>	root	oxylin	cardenolide	Srivastava, and Khare, 1991
	"	oxystelmoside	"	Srivastava, and Khare, 1993
	"	oxystelmine	"	"
<b>30. <i>Pachycarpus</i></b>				
<i>Pachycarpus concolor</i>	unclassified part	bulloside	cardenolide	Golab, Jager, and Reichstein, 1960
<i>Pachycarpus distinctus</i>	root	pachygenin	cardenolide	Schmid <i>et al.</i> , 1939
	"	pychygenol	"	"
	"	bulloside	"	Golab, Jager, and Reichstein, 1960
	"	cannodioxide	"	"
	"	cannogenin	"	"
	"	digitoxigenin	"	"
	"	sarmentogenin	"	"
	"	xysmalogenin	"	"
<i>Pachycarpus linelatus</i> ( <i>P. schweinfurthii</i> )	root	lineolon	cardenolide	Avisch, Tamm, and Reichstein, 1959
	"	mono- <i>O</i> -benzoyl-lineolon	"	"
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	"	utendin	"	"
<i>Pachycarpus schinziamus</i>	root & seed	carpogenin	cardenolide	Schmid <i>et al.</i> , 1959
	"	digitoxigenin	"	"
	"	3-epi-digitoxigenin	cardenolide	"
	"	pachomonoside	"	"

<i>Pachycarpus schinziamus</i>	root & seed	pachygenin	cardenolide	Schmid <i>et al.</i> , 1959
	"	pachygenol	"	"
	"	uzarin	"	"
	"	xysmalogenin	"	Polonia <i>et al.</i> , 1959
<b>31. <i>Parquetina</i></b>				
<i>Parquetina nigrescens</i> ( <i>Peliploca nigrescens</i> )	unclassified part	sarmentosigenin A	cardenolide	Schenker, Hunger, and Reichstein, 1954
	"	nigrescigenin	"	Reichstein, 1963
	wood	convallatoxin	"	Berthold, Wehri, and Reichstein, 1965
	"	strophadogenin	"	"
	"	strophanthidin	"	"
	unclassified part	16- $\beta$ -acetoxystrophanthidin	"	Idem, 1965
	"	16-dehydrostrophanthidin	"	"
	"	16-dehydrostrophanthidol	"	"
	"	monodigitoxigenin of 16-dehydrostrophanthidin	"	"
	"	rhamnoside of 16- acetoxy-strophanthidin	"	"
	unclassified part	cymarin	cardenolide (glycoside)	Reinhold, Harborne, and Swain, 1978
<b>32. <i>Pentatropis</i></b>				
<i>Pentatropis spiralis</i> ( <i>Asclepias spiralis</i> ; <i>Pentatropis cynanchoides</i> )	freshy plant	cycloart-22-ene-3 $\alpha$ ,25- diol	triterpenoid	Rasool <i>et al.</i> , 1991
	"	cycloeucaleanol	"	"



<i>Pentatropis spiralis</i>	freshy plant	24-methylenecycloartanol	triterpenoid	Rasool <i>et al.</i> , 1991
	"	<i>cis</i> -phytyl-1-palmitate	diterpenoid	Rasool, Ahmad, and Malik, 1991
	"	squalene	triterpenoid	"
	"	taraxasterol	"	"
	"	$\psi$ -taraxasterol	"	"
<b>33. <i>Pentopetia</i></b>				
<i>Pentopetia androsaemifolia</i>	bark	cymarín	cardenolide	Golab <i>et al.</i> , 1959
	"	digitoxigenin	"	"
	"	periplocymarín	"	"
	"	periplogenin	"	"
<b>34. <i>Pergularia</i></b>				
<i>Pergularia pallida</i>	root	desoxypergularine	alkaloid	Mulchandani, and Venkatachalam, 1976
	"	pergularinine	"	"
	"	tylophorine	"	"
	"	tylophorinidine	"	"
	"	tylophorinicine	"	Mulchandani, and Venkatachalam, 1984
	twig	pallidine	steroid	Khare, 1984
	"	pallidinine	"	"
<i>Pergularia tomentosa</i>				
	unclassified part	coroglaucigenin	cardenolide	Chopra <i>et al.</i> , 1937
	root	calactin	"	Al-Said <i>et al.</i> , 1988
	"	ghalakinoside	"	"

35. <i>Periploca</i> <i>Periploca aphylla</i>	unclassified part	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>42</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	resin alcohol	Chopra <i>et al.</i> , 1937	
	above ground part	lupeol	triterpenoid	Mitsuhashi, and Tomimota, 1971	
	"	maslinic acid	"	"	
	"	oleanoic acid	"	"	
	"	β-sitosterol-β-O- glucopyranoside	sterol (glycoside)	"	
	<i>Periploca calophylla</i>	twig	calocin	steroid	Srivastava, and Khare, 1982
		stem	periplogenin	"	"
		twig	α-amyrin acetate	triterpenoid	Srivastava, and Khare, 1983
		"	β-amyrin	"	"
		"	dihydroxy olean-12-ene- 28-carboxylic acid	"	"
"		monohydroxy-olean-12- ene-28-carboxylic acid	"	"	
"		2,3,23-trihydroxy-olean- 12-ene-28 carboxylic acid	"	"	
"		phyllacin	steroid	"	
twig		plocigenin	"	Deepak, and Khare, 1985 <sub>a</sub>	
"		plocinine	"	Deepak, and Khare, 1985 <sub>b</sub>	
"	calocinin	"	Sethi <i>et al.</i> , 1988		
"	locin	"	"		
"	plocin	"	"		
"	plocinin	"	"		

<i>Periploca graeca</i>	bark	periplocymarin	cardenolide	Solacula, and Herrmann, 1934
	wood, bark, leaf&seed	periplocin	"	1.Stoll, and Renz, 1939 2.Komissarenko, and Bagirov, 1969
	twining part	quercetin glycoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Tronchet, and Melin, 1962
	leaf & stem	rutin	"	1.Melin, 1963 2.Melin, 1964
	leaf	astragalin	flavonoid	Komissarenko, and Bagirov, 1969
	"	isoquercitin	"	"
	"	esculentin glycoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Melin, 1964
	stem	cyanidin	flavonoid	Melin, 1975
	"	peonidin	"	"
	bark	4-methoxysalicylaldehyde	miscellaneous	Solacuta <i>et al.</i> , 1935
	leaf & stem	chlorogenic acids	"	1.Melin, 1963 2.Melin, 1964
	leaf	isochlorogenic acid	"	Melin, 1964
	"	neochlorogenic acid	"	"
	stem	ursolic acid	triterpenoid	Zorina, Matyukhina, and Ryabinin, 1966
	bark	scopoletin	coumarin	Komissarenko, and Bagirov, 1969
"	unidentified coumarin	coumarin	"	

<i>Periploca laevigata</i>	stem & root	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Askri, Bui, and Mighri, 1982
	stem	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	root	$\alpha$ -amyrin acetate	"	"
	stem & root	lupeol	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	root	periplocadiol	sesquiterpene	Askri <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<i>Periploca nigrescens</i>	wood	strophanthidol	cardenolide	Schenker, Hunger, and Reichstein, 1954
	"	convallotoxin	"	Berthold <i>et al.</i> , 1965 <sub>a</sub>
	"	16 $\beta$ -hydroxystrophanthidin	"	"
	"	16-acetoxystrophanthidin	"	Berthold <i>et al.</i> , 1965 <sub>b</sub>
	"	16-dehydrostrophanthidin	"	"
	"	3- <i>O</i> -digitoxosyl-16- dehydrostrophanthidin	"	"
	"	3- <i>O</i> -rhamnosyl-16- acetoxystrophanthidin	"	"
	root	cymarín	"	Marks <i>et al.</i> , 1975
	"	strophanthidin	"	"
	"	strophanthidin glycoside	"	"
	wood	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	"
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol- $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucoside	sterol (glycoside)	"
	leaf	apigenin	flavonoid	Ogundaini, and Okafor, 1987
"	isorhoifolin	"	"	
"	ursolic acid	triterpenoid	"	

<i>Periploca sepium</i>	unclassified part	periplogenin	cardenolide	Sakuma <i>et al.</i> , 1968
	"	$\Delta^5$ -pregnene-3 $\beta$ -20 $\alpha$ -diol	"	"
	"	$\Delta^5$ -pregnene-3 $\beta$ ,16 $\alpha$ , 20 $\alpha$ -triol	"	"
	"	$\Delta^5$ -pregnene-3 $\beta$ ,17 $\alpha$ , 20 $\alpha$ -triol	"	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol	sterol	"
	"	$\beta$ -sitosterol- $\beta$ -D-glucoside	sterol (glycoside)	"
	"	7-methoxysalicylaldehyde	miscellaneous	"
	"	4-O-(2-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D- digitalosyl)-D-cymarose	cardenolide	Shoji <i>et al.</i> , 1968
	"	methyl-4-O-(2-O-acetyl- $\beta$ - D-digitalosyl)- $\beta$ -D- cymaroside	"	"
	cortex	periplocin	"	Sakuma <i>et al.</i> , 1971
	"	$\Delta^5$ -pregnene-3 $\beta$ -20 $\alpha$ -diol- (20)- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl- (1glu->6glu)- $\beta$ -D- glucopyranosyl- (1glu->2glu)- $\beta$ -D- digitalopyranoside	"	"
	cortex & young seedling	scopoletin	coumarin	Komissarenko <i>et al.</i> , 1983
	root bark	3-O-[2-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D- digitalopyranosyl (1->4)- $\beta$ -D-cymaropyranoside]- 20-O-[ $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl (1->6)- $\beta$ -D-Dglucopyrano- syl (1->2)- $\beta$ -D-digitalopy- ranoside] of preg-5-ene- 3 $\beta$ -16 $\alpha$ , 20(S)-triol and preg-5-ene-3 $\beta$ ,20(S)-diol	steroid	Itokawa, Xu, and Takeya, 1988 <sub>a</sub>

<i>Sarcostemma brevistigma</i> ( <i>S. acidum</i> )	stem	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Tabulated phytochem reports, 1975
	"	$\beta$ -amyrin	"	"
	"	octacosane	alkane	"
	twig	brivinine	steroid	Oberai, and Khare, 1985 <sub>a</sub>
	"	brevine	"	Oberai, and Khare, 1985 <sub>b</sub>
	"	bregenin	"	Khare <i>et al.</i> , 1987
	aerial part	sarcogenin	"	"
	"	brevebiose	sugar	"
	"	tigmobiose	"	"
	"	sarcobiose	"	"
<i>Sarcostemma viminale</i>	twig	viminose	sugar	Allgeir, 1968
	twig & stem	metaplexigenin	cardenolide	Schaub <i>et al.</i> , 1968
	"	mono- <i>O</i> -acetyl-mono- <i>O</i> - benzoylsarcostin	cardenolide (glycoside)	"
	"	12,20,di- <i>O</i> -benzoyl- sarcostin	"	"
	"	genin G	cardenolide	Schaub, Stoecklin, and Reichstein, 1968
	"	genin H	"	"
<i>Sarcostemma</i> sp.	stem & leaf	C <sub>29</sub> ,C <sub>31</sub> ,C <sub>33</sub> alkanes	<i>n</i> -alkanes	Keetan, and Keogh, 1975
	"	germanicol	triterpenoid	"
	"	germanicol acetate	"	"
	"	germanicol butyrate	"	"
	"	lupeol	"	"
	"	taraxerol	"	"

<i>Periploca sepium</i>	root bark	Preg-5-ene-3- $\beta$ ,16- $\beta$ ,20( <i>R</i> )-triol-20- <i>O</i> - $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranosyl-(1- $\rightarrow$ 6)- $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranosyl-(1- $\rightarrow$ 2)- $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranoside	steroid	Itokawa, Xu and Takeya, 1988 <sub>a</sub>
	"	Preg-5-ene-3 $\beta$ ,20( <i>S</i> )-diol-3- <i>O</i> -[ $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -digitalopyranosyl-(1- $\rightarrow$ 4)- $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -cymaropyranoside]-20- <i>O</i> -[ $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranosyl-(1- $\rightarrow$ 6)- $\beta$ - <i>D</i> -glucopyranoside]	"	"
	antitumor fraction	periplocosides A,B, and C	"	Itokawa <i>et al.</i> , 1988 <sub>b</sub>
	"	periplocosides M,D,E,L,N	"	Itokawa <i>et al.</i> , 1988 <sub>c</sub>
	"	periplocosides J,K,F,O	"	Itokawa <i>et al.</i> , 1988 <sub>d</sub>
	root bark (antitumor-fraction)	21- <i>O</i> -methyl-5-pregnene-3 $\beta$ ,14 $\beta$ ,17 $\beta$ ,20,21-pentao	"	Xu, Takeya, and Itokawa <i>et al.</i> , 1990
"	21- <i>O</i> -methyl-5,14-pregndiene-3 $\beta$ ,17 $\beta$ ,20,21-tetraoxysmalogenin	"	"	
"	xysmalogenin	"	"	
36. <i>Raphinoacme</i> <i>Raphinoacme burkei</i>	bulb	JB 9	cardenolide	Binkert, Schindler, and Reichstein, 1960
	"	JB 11,15,20	"	"
37. <i>Sarcostemma</i> <i>Sarcostemma australe</i>	unclassified part	sarcostin	cardenolide	Cornforth, 1959

38. <i>Secamone</i> <i>Secamone afzelii</i>	root	friedelin	triterpenoid	El-Said <i>et al.</i> , 1971
39. <i>Stapelia</i> <i>Stapelia gigantea</i>	seed	stapelogenin	cardenolide	Eppenberger <i>et al.</i> , 1966
40. <i>Stephanotis</i> <i>Stephanotis japonica</i>	whole plant	deacylmetaplexigenin	cardenolide	Fukuoka, and Mitsuhashi, 1968
	"	lineolon	"	"
	"	sarcostin	"	"
	"	stephanol	"	"
	aerial part	5 $\alpha$ -dihydrosarcostin	"	Fukuoka, and Mitsuhashi, 1969
41. <i>Solenostemma</i> <i>Solenostemma argel</i>	unclassified part	argelin	-	Mahran, Wanba, and Saber, 1967
	"	argeloside	-	"
42. <i>Telosma</i> <i>Telosma minor</i>	flower	hyperoside	flavonoid (glycoside)	Subramanian, and Nair, 1968
	"	isoquercitrin	"	"
	"	quercitin	flavonoid	"
43. <i>Tylophora</i> <i>Tylophora asthmatica</i>	unclassified part	tylophorine	alkaloid	1. Govindachari <i>et al.</i> , 1960 2. Govindachari, Pai <i>et al.</i> , 1960



<i>Tylophora asthmatica</i>	unclassified part	tylophorinine	alkaloid	Govindachari, Pai <i>et al.</i> , 1960
	root	tylophorinidine	"	Mulchandani, Iyer, and Badheka, 1971
	root & aerial part	$\gamma$ -fagarine	"	Etherington, Herbert, and Jackson, 1977
	"	skimmianine	"	"
<i>Tylophora crebriflora</i>	dried plant	alkaloid A-E	alkaloid	Rao <i>et al.</i> , 1970
	"	septicine	"	Rao <i>et al.</i> , 1971
	"	tylocrebrine	"	"
	"	tylophorine	"	"
	unclassified part	tylophorinine	"	Reinhold <i>et al.</i> , 1978
<i>Tylophora dalzellii</i>	unclassified part	desmethyltylophorinine	alkaloid	Rao <i>et al.</i> , 1971
<i>Tylophora hirsuta</i>	unclassified part	tylocrebrine	alkaloid	Reinhold <i>et al.</i> , 1978
	aerial part	tylohirsutinine	"	Bhutani, Ali, and Atal, 1984
	"	13 $\alpha$ -methyltylohirsutine	"	"
	"	13 $\alpha$ -methyltylo- hirsutinidine	"	"
	"	tylohirsutinidine	"	"
	"	13 $\alpha$ -hydroxysepticine	"	"
	unclassified part	14-desoxy-13 $\alpha$ -methyltylo- hirsutinidine	alkaloid	Ali, and Bhutani, 1987
	"	5-hydroxy- <i>O</i> -methyltylo- phorinidine	"	"

<i>Tylophora hirsuta</i>	unclassified part	tylohirsuticine	Alkaloid	Ali, and Bhutani, 1987
	"	14-hydroxyisotylocrebrine	"	"
	"	(+)-isotylocrebrine	"	"
	"	(-)-tylophorine	"	"
	"	4-desmethylisotylocrebrine	"	"
	"	13 $\alpha$ -hydroxytylophorine	"	Bhutani, Sharma, and Ali, 1987
<i>Tylophora indica</i>	unclassified part	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Chandrashekar, and Seshadri, 1968
	"	kaempferol	flavonoid	"
	"	quercetin	"	"
	"	desmethyltylophorine	alkaloid	Rao <i>et al.</i> , 1971
	"	desmethyltylophorinine	"	"
	"	tylophorine	"	1. Rao <i>et al.</i> , 1971 2. Bhutani <i>et al.</i> , 1987
	"	tylophorinine	"	"
	leaf	acetyl- <i>O</i> -methyltylophorinidine/acetyltyloproprinine	"	Van <i>et al.</i> , 1985
	"	demethyltylophorine	"	"
	"	4-methoxy-14-hydroxytylophorine	"	"
	"	<i>d</i> -septicine	"	"
	aerial part	tyloindicines A-E	"	Ali, and Bhutani, 1989
	"	(+)-14-hydroxyisotylocrebrine	"	"

<i>Tylophora indica</i>	aerial part	4,6-desdimethyliso	alkaloid	Ali, and Bhutani, 1989
	"	tylocrebrine		
	"	5-hydroxy- <i>O</i> -methyltylo- phorinidine	"	Ali, and Bhutani, 1989
<i>Tylophora kerrii</i>	unclassified part	tylolupenols A ( <i>D:C</i> -friedolup-8(9)-en- 3 $\beta$ -ol)	triterpenoid	Kawanishi <i>et al.</i> , 1985
	"	tylolupenols B ( <i>D:C</i> friedolup-(9)11en- 3 $\beta$ -ol)	"	"
<i>Tylophara mollissima</i>	whole plant	caffeine	alkaloid	Viswanathan, and Pai, 1985
	"	tylophorine	"	"
	"	tylophorinine	"	"
<b>44. Vincetoxicum</b>				
<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i>	root	hirundigenin	steroid	Kennard <i>et al.</i> , 1968
	"	anhydrohirundigenin	"	"
	"	vincetogenin	"	"
	"	hirundoside A	"	1.Stoeckel, and Reichstein, 1969 <sub>a</sub> 2.Stoeckel, and Reichstein, 1969 <sub>b</sub>
<i>Vincetoxicum nigrum</i>	aerial part	antofine	alkaloid	Capro, and Saa, 1989

<i>Vincetoxicum officinale</i>	root	antofine	alkaloid	Pailer, and Streicher, 1965
	"	3,6,7-or2,3,6-trimethoxy- 9,11,12,13 $\alpha$ ,14-hexahydro- bibenzo[ <i>f,h</i> ]pyrrolo[1,2- <i>6</i> ]- isoquinoline	"	"
	"	tylophorine	"	"
	leaf	vincetoxicosides A-B	"	1.Kozjek, and Lebreton, 1967 2.Kozjek, 1969
	"	isoquercitrin	flavonoid	Koziek, 1969
	"	quercifrin	"	"
	"	quercetin	"	"
	"	kaempferol	"	"
	"	chlorogenic acid	miscellaneous	"
<i>Vincetoxicum</i> sp.	unclassified part	$\alpha$ -amyrin	triterpenoid	Toth, Haznagy, and Snatzke, 1969
	"	friedelin	"	"
<b>45. <i>Xysmalobium</i></b>				
<i>Xysmalobium undulatum</i>	unclassified part	xysmalogenin	cardenolide	Huber <i>et al.</i> , 1951
	root	uzarin	"	Ghorbani <i>et al.</i> , 1990
	"	urezine (3-epi-uzarin)	"	"
	"	uzarosid (gluco-uzarin)	"	"
	"	xysmalorin	"	"

## 2. Triterpenoids (C<sub>30</sub>)

### 2.1 Introduction to Triterpenoids

Triterpenoids are the most ubiquitous non-steroidal secondary metabolites in terrestrial, marine flora and fauna (Mahato, Nandy, and Roy, 1992). Traditionally, C<sub>30</sub> isoprenoid compounds were viewed as triterpenes. Triterpenes are produced from two molecules of farnesyl pyrophosphate (FPP) condensed head to head (Figure 2.1). The acyclic hydrocarbon squalene is the first triterpene formed, and evidence indicates that it is the precursor of all other triterpenes, as well as of steroids.

The majority of natural triterpenes are pentacyclic compounds. The next largest groups are the tetracyclic triterpenes. There is also a smaller number of triterpenes with various other cyclic structures. The only important acyclic triterpene is squalene (and its 2,3-oxide as a metabolic intermediate). Most triterpenes are alcohol (3-OH). They are found free and as glycosides (saponins) or esters. Free triterpenes are often components of resins, latex, or cuticle (Stumpf and Conn, 1980). There are probably upward of 750 naturally occurring triterpenes of known compounds (Devon and Scott, 1972), and new compounds and new structural types are still being discovered.

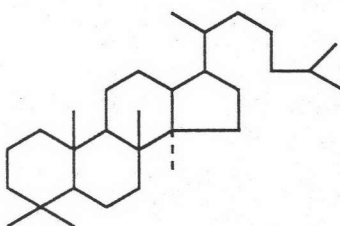
### 2.2 Classification of triterpenoids

(Richards and Hendrickson, 1964; Devon and Scott, 1972)

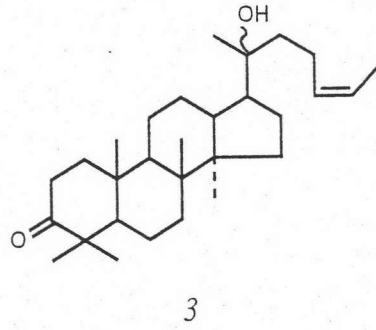
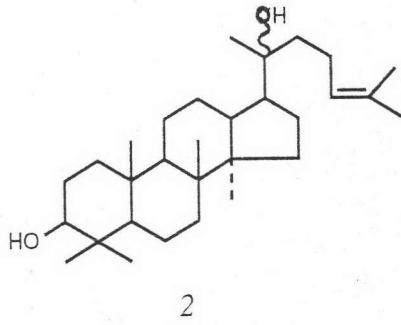
The triterpenes consist of three large groups: tetracyclic, pentacyclic and miscellaneous groups. The naturally occurring triterpenes can be suitably placed into 29 main skeleta.

#### 1.2.1 Tetracyclic Triterpenoids

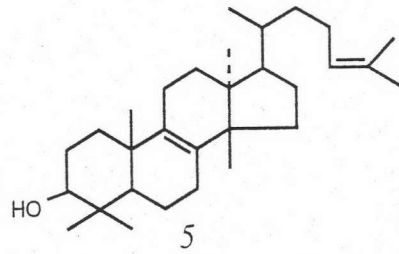
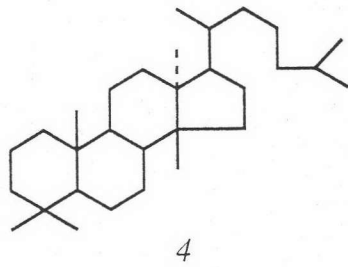
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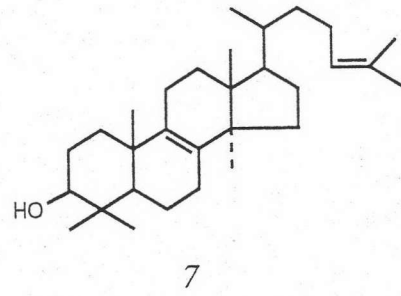
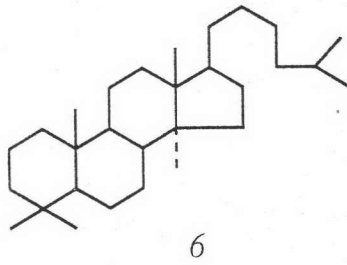
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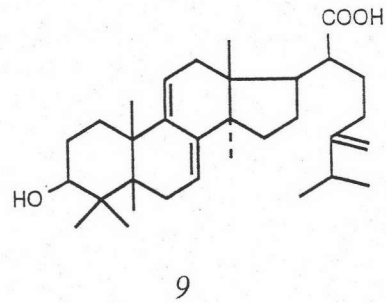
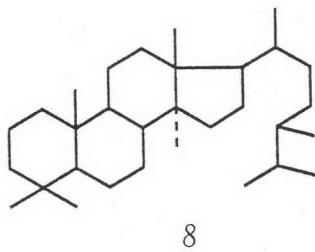
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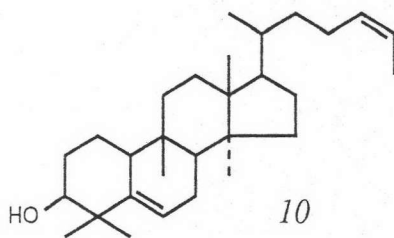
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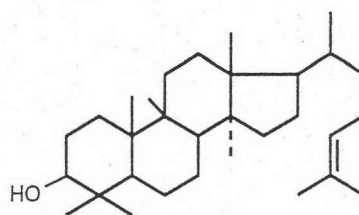
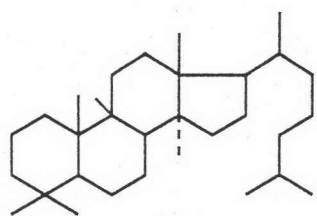
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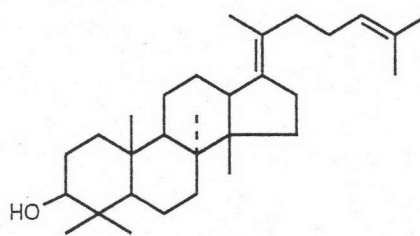
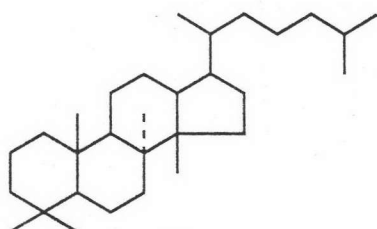
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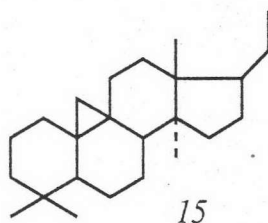
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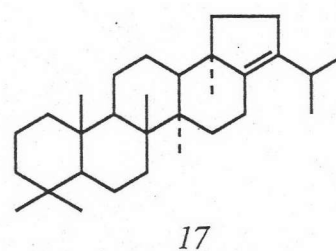
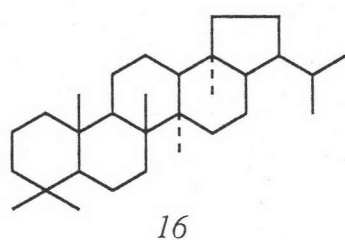


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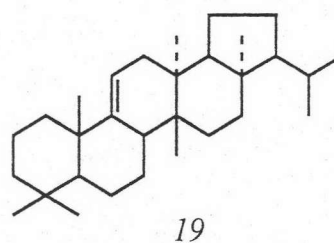
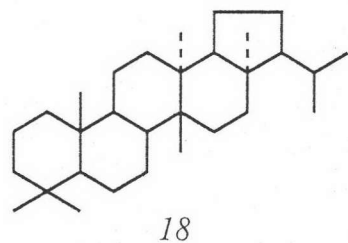


### 1.2.2 Pentacyclic Triterpenoids

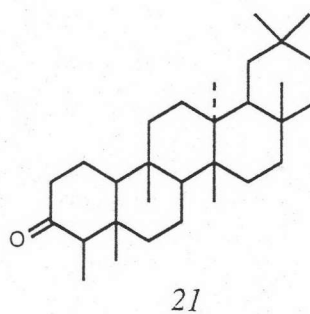
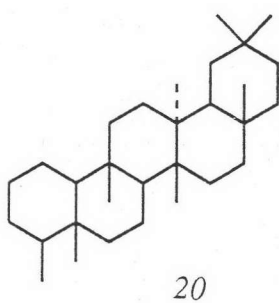
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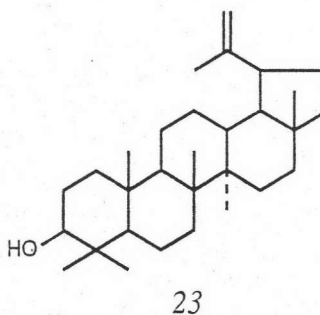
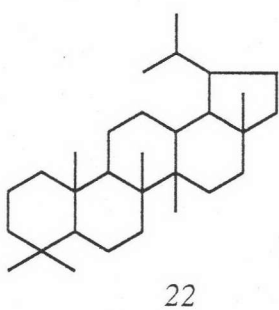
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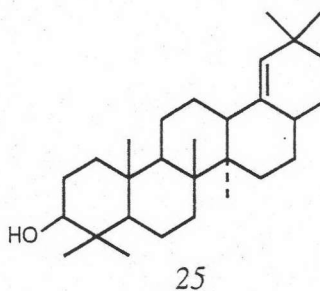
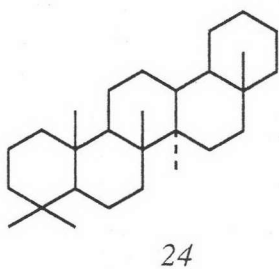
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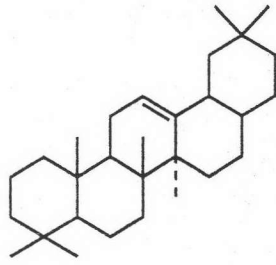


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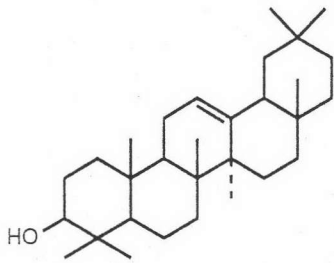


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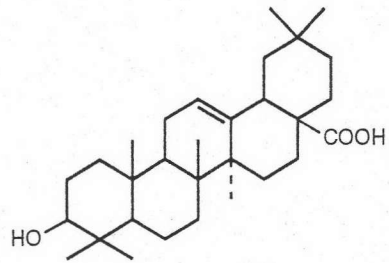




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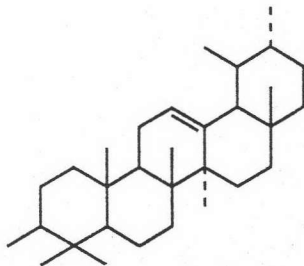


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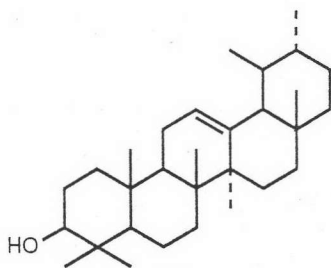


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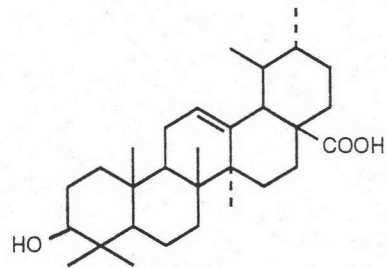
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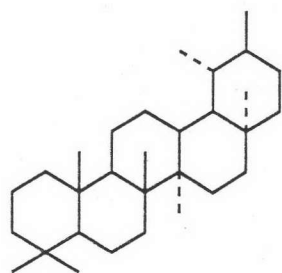


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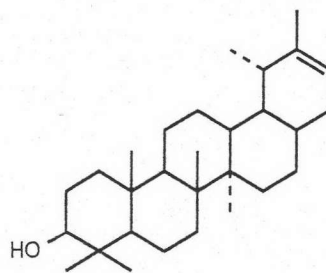


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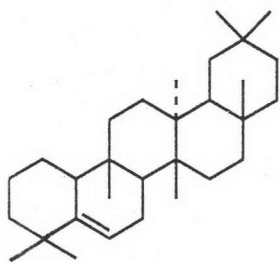


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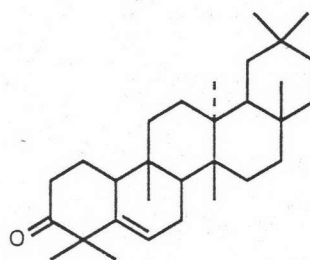


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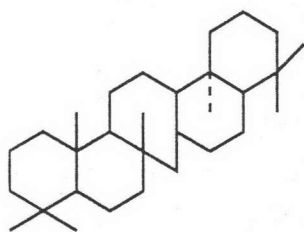


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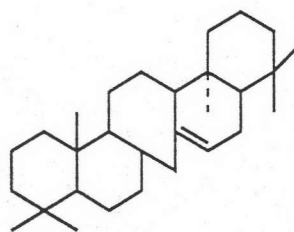


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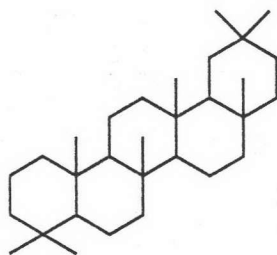


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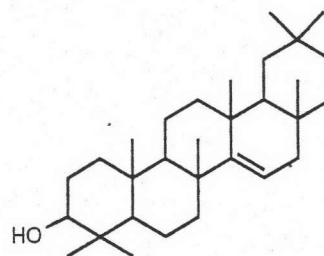


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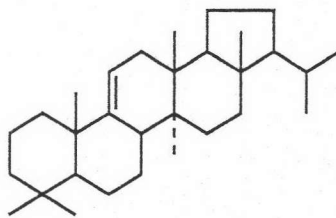


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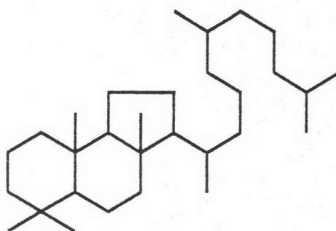
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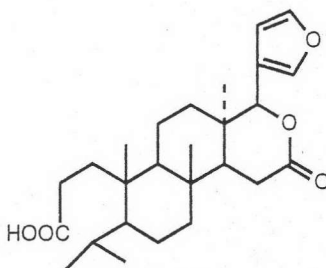
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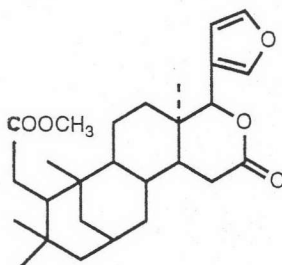
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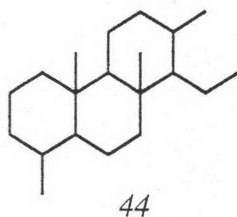
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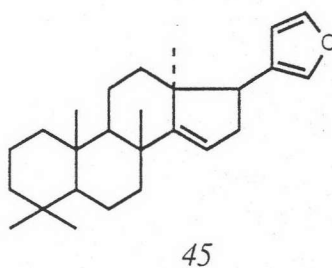


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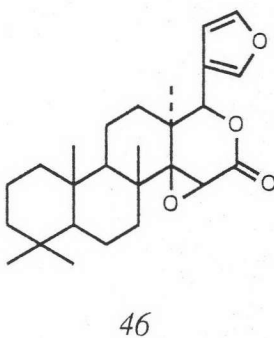
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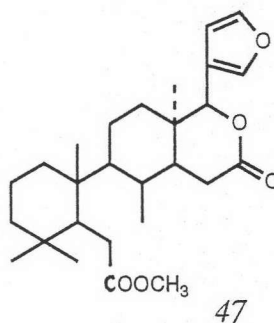
e) Meliacane type 45



f) Gedunin type 46



g) Andirobin type 47



This group is included other structures of which represent secondary transformation (such as oxidation) on a presumably performed triterpene skeleton. Nyctanthic acid (Fig.2.2 a) is a member of the oleanane type which has suffered an oxidative opening of ring A. Another interestingly altered triterpene is ceanothic

acid(Fig. 2.2 b) a lupeol-type triterpene that has undergone a ring-A contraction analogous to that postulated for the diterpene gibberellic acid.

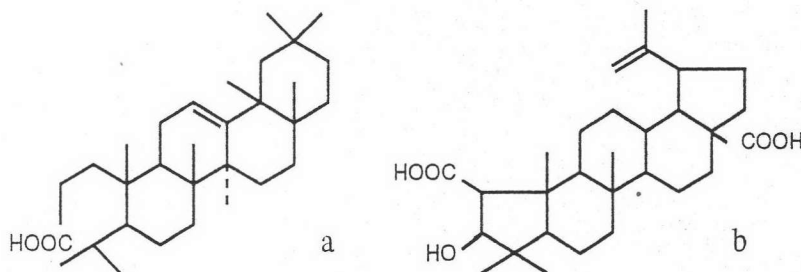


Figure 2.2 Structure of Nyctanthic acid and Ceanothic acid

### 2.3 Biosynthesis of Pentacyclic triterpenes

All types of cyclic triterpenes originate from squalene. The formation of squalene is as follows (Miller, 1973; Herbert, 1981).

The formation of squalene is through the familiar pathway of acetyl Co A 48 , acetoacetyl Co A49 , 3-hydroxymethylglutaryl CoA 50 , mevalonic acid 51, mevalonic acid pyrophosphate 52, isopentenyl pyrophosphate 53, 3,3-dimethylallylpyrophosphate 54, geranyl pyrophosphate 55, farnesyl pyrophosphate 56 and squalene 57 (Figure 2.3).

In plants as well as in animals and microorganisms the pentacyclic triterpenes are derived from squalene -2,-3-epoxide, which is formed from squalene by a monooxygenase. The cyclization of a proton (or an electron-accepting group of the enzyme) which causes the formation of a hydroxy group at position 3. This leaves a positive charge at position 2. Ring formation proceeds by addition of double bonds to this positively charged C-atom. The number and configuration of the ring built depends on the folding of the squalene chain, which is determined by the enzyme. The positive charge that remain in the molecule after the cyclization is lost by elimination of a proton. It may , however, migrate within the molecule prior to proton elimination by the shift of hydride ions and methyl anions while maintaining the spatial orientation of these groups in front of and behind the plane of the ring system (Z-anionotropy). Cyclization, Z-anionotropy, and elimination of the proton proceed in a concerted manner. (Intermediates are given for didactic reasons only)

The pentacyclic triterpenes are derived from 3(S)-2,3-squalene epoxide in chair-chair-boat-unfolded conformation. In pentacyclic triterpenes, ring D of the

steroid cation I (Fig. 2.4) formed as an intermediate, may be enlarged by a Wagner-Meerwein rearrangement, and an additional five-membered ring may be formed (Figure 2.4) (biosynthesis of lupeol-type compounds).

Enlargement of ring E by a further Wagner-Meerwein rearrangement leads to the cation II, from which a large number of different amyrin-type compounds are derived by Z-anionotropy and elimination of a proton (Figure 2.5) (Porter and Spurgeon, 1981; Richards and Hendrickson, 1964; Luckner, 1990).

2.4 Some Aspects of Lupeol (Simonsen and Ross, 1957; Gibbs, 1974; Windholz, 1989)

Lupeol (Lupenol),  $C_{30}H_{50}O$ , m.p. 215-216°C,  $(\alpha)_D +27.2^\circ$ ,  $+33^\circ$  (in benzene),  $+45.7^\circ$  (in ethylene dibromide), which was readily soluble in ether, benzene and light petroleum but sparingly so in water. The melting point of lupeol acetate was 220 °C

Lupeol would appear to be the most widely distributed of all the triterpenes, being encountered in more plant species than the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ -amyryns with which it is frequently associated. It has been isolated from representatives of the following families of plants: Apocynaceae, Asclepiadaceae, Cappariaceae, Celastraceae, Compositae, Labiatae, Leguminosae, Linaceae, Loganiaceae, Loranthaceae, Moraceae, Rosaceae, Rutaceae and Sapotaceae. In addition to the sources already mentioned lupeol occurs free in the roots of *Phyllanthus distichus*, of *Fagara zanthoxyloides*, of *Decalepis hamiltonii*, of *Hemidesmus indicus*, in the bark of *Zanthoxylum macrophyllum*, of *Holarrhena antidysenterica*, of *Crataegus oxycantha*, of *Lophopetalum toxicum*, of the Chinese plant "Shikeihi" and of *Alstonia verticillata*, in the leaves of *Mentha aquatica* and of *Viscum album*, and also in the flowers of *Anthemis nobilis*. The acetate has been isolated from the oils and exudates of many plants, including *Ficus variegata*, *Ficus vogelii*, *Ficus glomerata*, *Alstonia scholaris*, *Achras sapota*, *Artocarpus elastica*, *Maclura aurantiaca* and *M. pomifera*.

2.5 Some Aspects of Amyrin (Simonsen and Ross, 1957; Gibbs, 1974; Windholz, 1989)

$\alpha$ -Amyrin ( $\alpha$ -amyrenol, 3-hydroxy- $\Delta^{12:13}$ -ursene),  $C_{30}H_{50}O$ , m.p. 186.5-187°C, b.p. 243°C/0.7 mm.,  $(\alpha)_D +91.6^\circ$  (in benzene),  $+91.4^\circ$ , was soluble in benzene, ether, acetic acid and hot ethanol, but only sparingly so in light petroleum and

cold ethanol. In general  $\alpha$ -amyrin derivatives were more soluble than the corresponding derivatives of  $\beta$ -amyrin. The m.p. of  $\alpha$ -amyrin acetate was 227°C.

$\beta$ -Amyrin ( $\beta$ -amyrenol,3-hydroxy olean- $\Delta^{12:13}$ -ene),  $C_{30}H_{50}O$ , m.p. 199-200°C, ( $\alpha$ )  $D +89^\circ$ ,  $+99.8^\circ$  (in benzene) was reasonably soluble in benzene from which solvent it separated as fine needles- ether, acetic acid and hot alcohol, but only sparingly soluble in cold alcohol and petroleum ether. Its acetates m.p. was 241°C.

Both  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ - amyryns are very widely distributed in the vegetable kingdom, occurring in the free state but more frequently as esters, particularly as acetates in the families of plants, Burseraceae, Rutaceae, Moraceae, Sapotaceae, Apocynaceae, Asclepiadaceae, and several others. The two amyryns occur together in many plant exudates especially in the latex of *Castilloa elastica*, of *Ficus glomerata*, of *Achras sapota* (chicle gum), of *Alstonia scholaris*, of *Tabernaemontana sphaerocarpa*, of *Artocarpus communis*, and of *Asclepias cornuti*, and also in the resins of *Canarium commune*, of *Canarium schweinfurtii*, of *Aucoumea klaineana*, and of *Icica heptaphylla* (*Amyris ambrosiaca*).

$\alpha$ - Amyrin or its acetate has been isolated from the latex of the following: *Madhuca butyracea*; *Alstonia* sp., *Ervatamia* sp., *Plumeria* sp., and *Daemia* sp.

$\beta$ - Amyrin or its acetate has been isolated from the latex of the following: *Ficus toxicaria*, *F. fulva*, *Plumeria acutifolia*, *Asclepias syriaca*., *Calotropis gigantea*, *Euphorbia* sp., *Artocarpus elastica*, *Stauntonia hexaphylla*, *Machaerium incorruptible*, *Cannarium strictum*, *Madhuca butyraceae*, *Lactuca virosa* and *Mimosops globosa*.

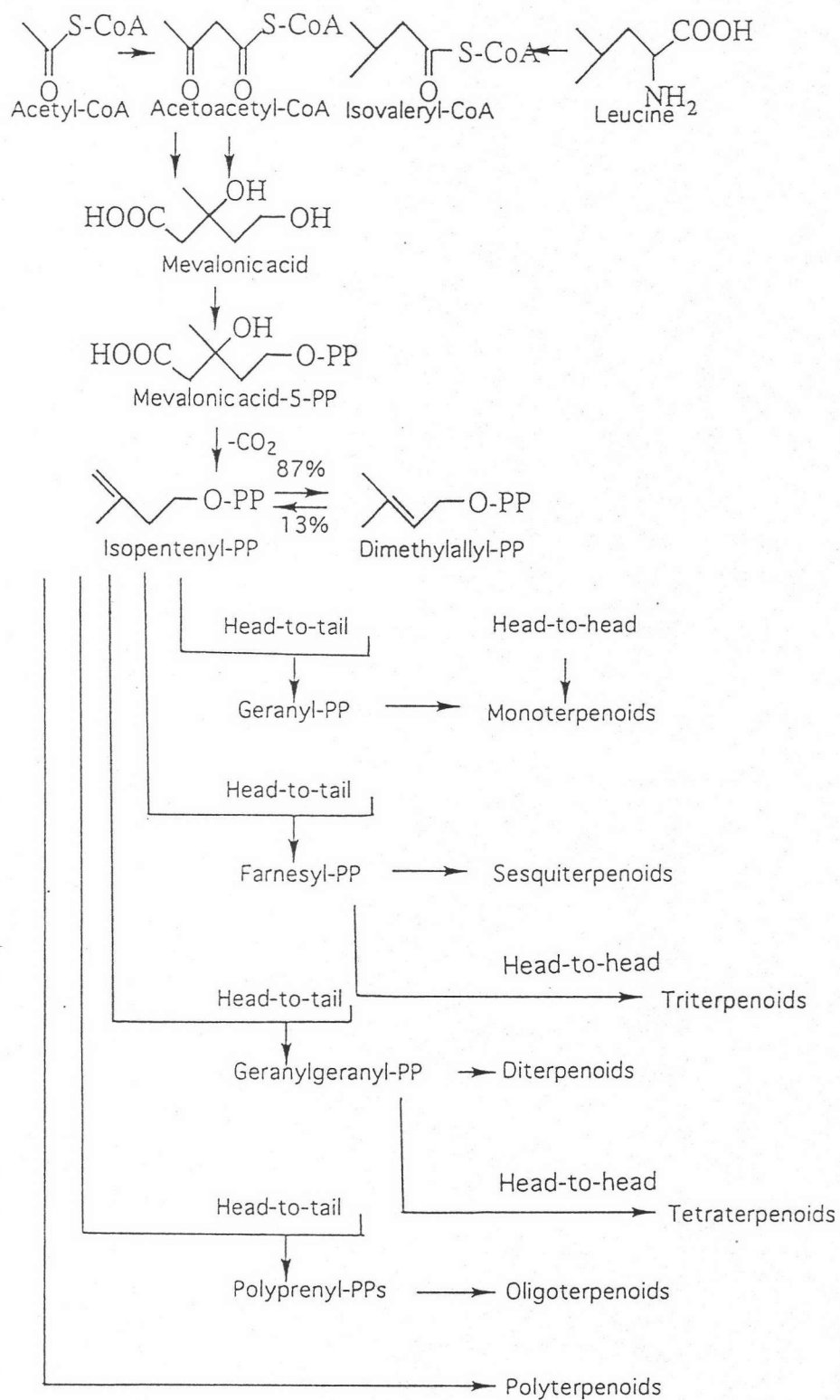


Figure 2.1 Biosynthesis scheme of terpenoids



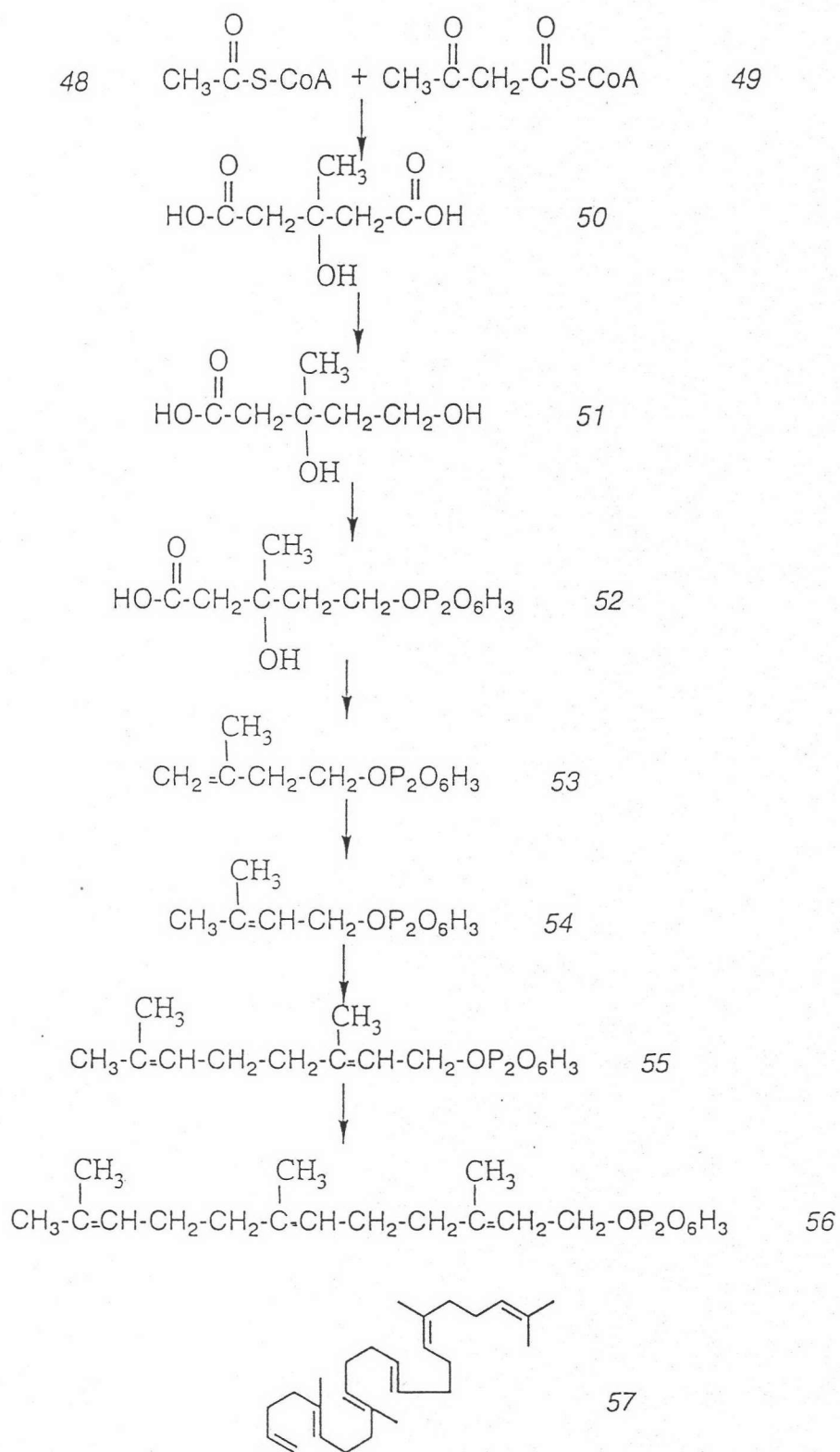


Figure 2.3 Squalene biosynthesis

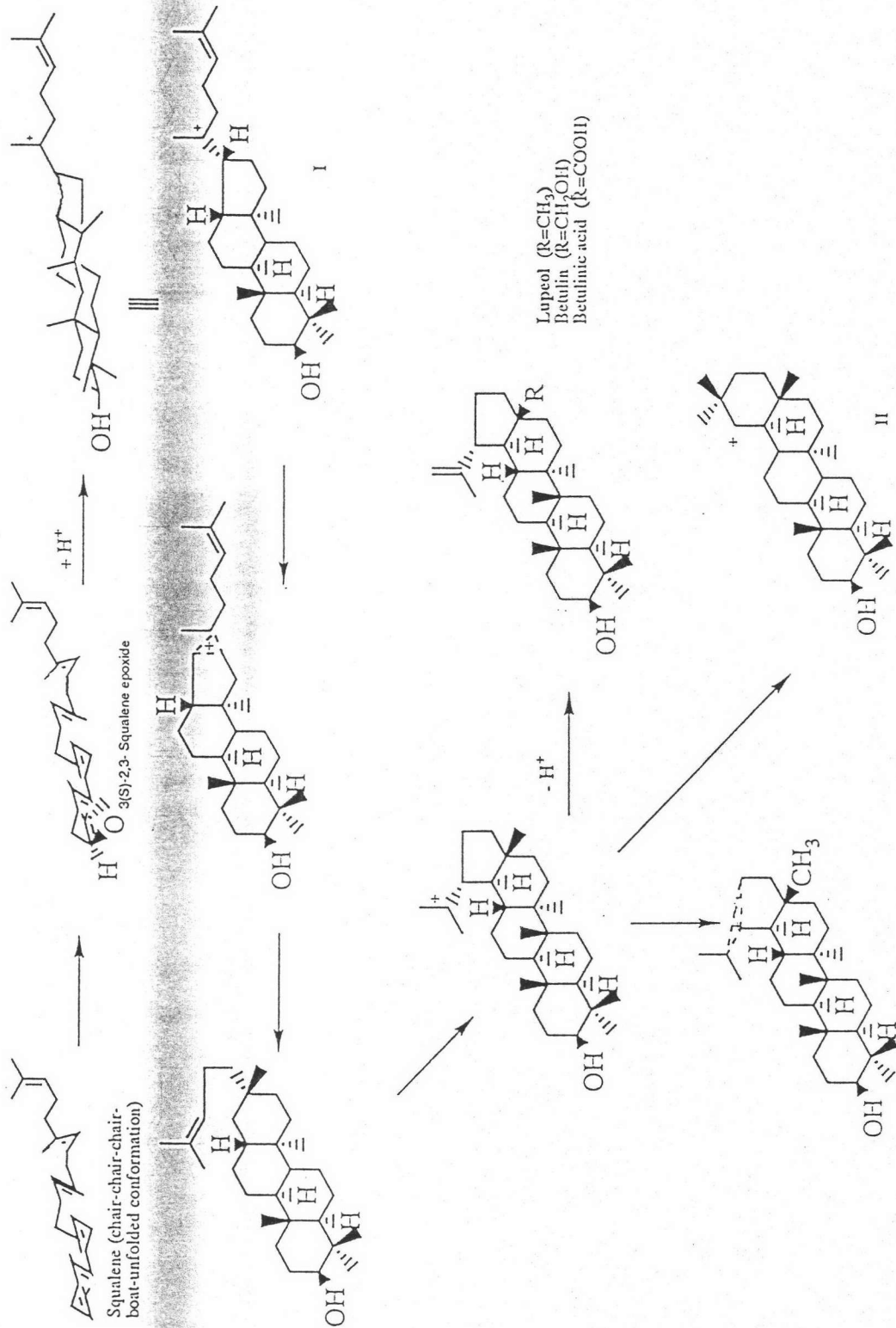


Figure 2.4 Biosynthesis of pentacyclic triterpenoids, part I

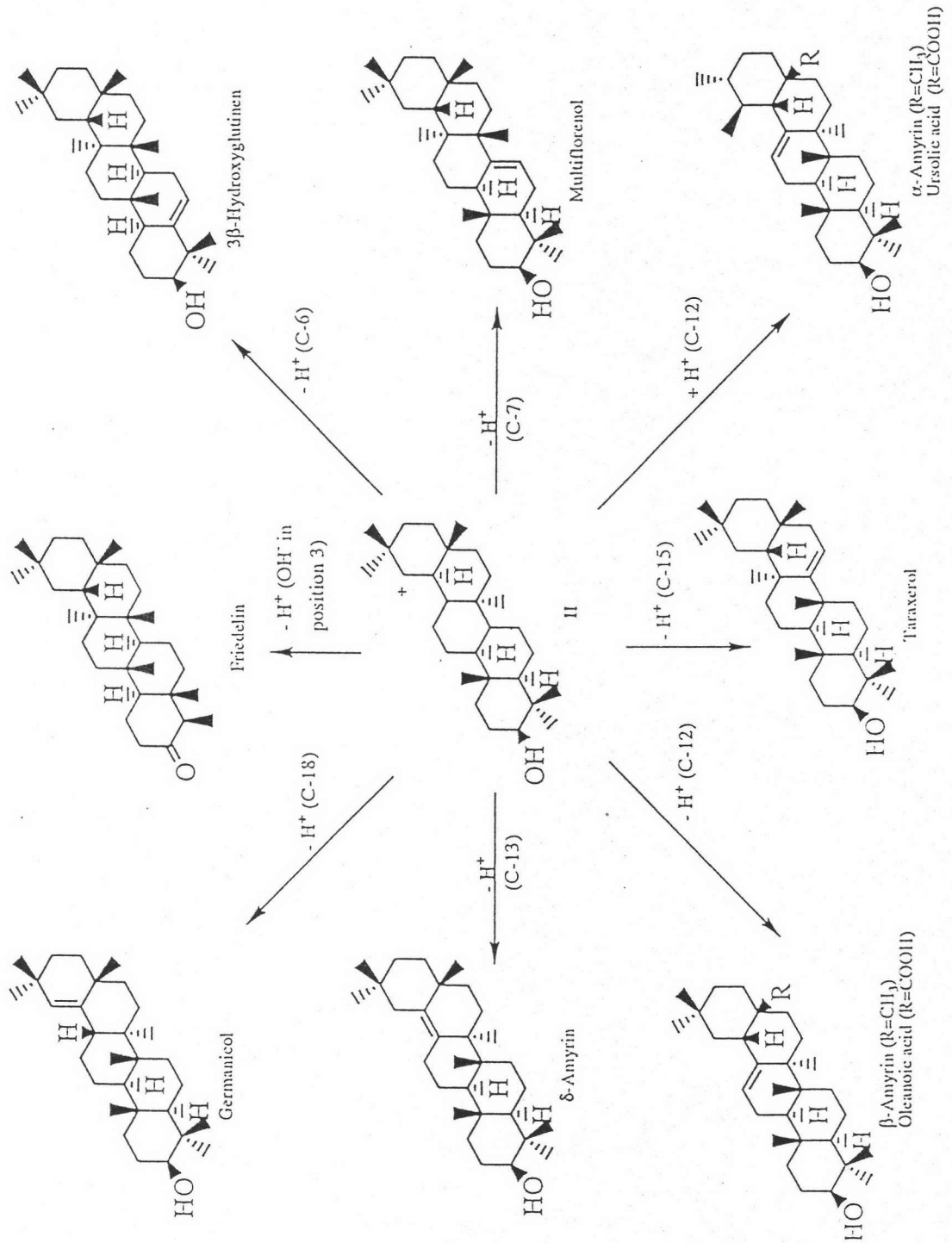


Figure 2.5 Biosynthesis of pentacyclic triterpenoids, part II

### 3 Aromatic aldehydes

#### 3.1 Introduction to Aromatic aldehydes

The aromatic and aliphatic aldehydes are a most important asset in the preparation of synthetic perfumes. Many of them occur naturally and in varying proportions in essential oils (Poucher, 1974). The simplest of the aromatic aldehydes is benzaldehyde.  $C_6H_5CHO$  (benzoic aldehyde, benzoyl hydride), formula weight 106.12 (Kirk and Othmer, 1948).

The distribution of aromatic aldehydes is so fragmentary that we can use it but little in chemotaxonomy.

#### 3.2 Naturally Occuring Aromatic aldehydes

Aromatic aldehydes are of plants of economic value, such as *Cinnamomum* and *Vanilla*. In this group, there are two points of interest. (Gibbs, 1974)

a) The order Magnoliales is represented in the following list by Magnoliaceae, Annonaceae, Illiciaceae, Monimiaceae, and Lauraceae. The Ranunculales is without representation.

b) The occurrence of 4-methoxy-salicylic aldehyde in the order Gentianales might prove of real interest. It has been reported from Apocynaceae and from Asclepiadaceae (several genera, mostly closely related).

A list of aromatic aldehydes found in various families is shown in Table 2.2

**Table 2.2** Naturally Occuring Aromatic aldehydes.

Aldehyde compound	Botanical origin	Family	Plant part	Reference
1 <i>p</i> - Anisaldehyde	<i>Magnolia salicifolia</i>	Magnoliaceae	leaf-oil	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Acacia farnesiana</i>	Leguminosae	flower-oil	"
	<i>Pelea madagascariensis</i>	Rutaceae	-	"
1. <i>p</i> - Anisaldehyde	<i>Protium carana</i>	Burseraceae	-	Gibbs, 1974

1. <i>p</i> -Anisaldehyde	<i>Protium carana</i>	Burseraceae	-	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Erica arborea</i>	Ericaceae	-	"
	<i>Agastache rugosa</i>	Labiatae	essential oil	"
	<i>Vanilla</i> spp.	Orchidaceae	-	"
	<i>Pimpinella anisum</i>	Umbelliferae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>Illicium verum</i>	Illiciaceae	dried ripe fruit	"
	<i>Forniculum vulgare</i>	Umbelliferae	dried fruit	"
	<i>Pinus mugo</i> var. <i>pumilio</i>	Pinaceae	-	"
	<i>Agropyrum repens</i>	Poaceae	rhizome	Boesel, and Schilcher, 1989
2. <i>o</i> -Anisaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum cassia</i>	Lauraceae	-	Gibbs, 1974
3. Asaronaldehyde	<i>Asarum europaeum</i>	Aristolochiaceae	root-oil	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Daucus carota</i>	Umbelliferae	-	"
	<i>Acorus calamus</i>	Araceae	-	"
	<i>Atalantia ceylanica</i>	Rutaceae	leaf	"
4. Benzaldehyde	<i>Cananga odorata</i>	Annonaceae	flower-oil	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	Rosaceae	fruit	"
	<i>Rosa</i> spp.	"	-	"
	<i>Acacia farnesiana</i>	Leguminosae	flower-oil	"
	<i>Citrus</i> spp	Rutaceae	-	"
	<i>Ruta</i> spp.	"	-	"
	<i>Eucalyptus</i> spp.	Myrtaceae	-	"
	<i>Melaleuca leucadendron</i>	"	-	"
	<i>Hyacinthus</i> spp.	Liliaceae	flower-oil	"
	<i>Narcissus</i> spp.	Amaryllidaceae	-	"
	<i>Prunus amygdalus</i> var. <i>amara</i>	Rosaceae	seed	Leung, 1980
	<i>P. serotina</i>	"	-	"
	<i>Styrax</i> sp.	Styracaceae	-	"
	<i>Cinnamomum verum</i>	Lauraceae	bark	"
<i>C. zeylanicum</i>	"	-	"	
<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	Labiatae	-	"	

4. benzaldehyde	<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i>	Myrtaceae	-	Leung,1980
	<i>Citrus ladaniferus</i> & other spp.	Cistaceae	-	"
	<i>Glycyrrhiza glabra</i>	Leguminosae	root	"
	<i>Pogostemon cablin</i>	Labiatae	-	"
	<i>Acinos suaveolens</i>	Lamiaceae	-	Kokkalou, 1988
	<i>Agropyrum repens</i>	Poaceae	-	Boesel, Schilcher, 1989
	<i>Dennettia tripetala</i>	Annonaceae	-	Ekundayo <i>et al</i> , 1992
	<i>Elsholtzia polystachya</i>	Labiatae	-	Mathela <i>et al</i> , 1992
	<i>Thapsia garganica</i>	Umbelliferae	-	Avato, 1991
5. p (4)-Hydroxy benzaldehyde	<i>Papaver somniferum</i>	Papaveraceae	-	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Xanthorrhoea australis</i>	Xanthorrhoeaceae	resin	"
	<i>X. hastilis</i>	"	resin	"
	<i>Andropogon</i> spp.	Gramineae	-	"
	<i>Ocimum sanctum</i>	Labiatae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>Vanilla planifolia</i>	Orchidaceae	-	"
	<i>V. tanitensis</i>	"	-	"
	<i>Onopordon macracanthum</i>	Compositae	-	Cardona <i>et al</i> . ,1987
6. 3,4-Dihydroxy- benzaldehyde	<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	Compositae	seed	Gibbs,1974
	<i>Musa</i> spp.	Musaceae	green fruit	"
7. Dihydro- benzaldehyde	<i>Erythroxylum coca</i> var.coca	Erythroxylaceae	-	Novak, Salemink, 1987
8. 3-Acetyl-6- methoxy- benzaldehyde	<i>Encelia farinosa</i>	Compositae	leaf	Gibbs, 1974

9. 2-Hydroxy-4-methoxy-benzaldehyde	<i>Periploca graeca</i>	Asclepiadaceae	bark	Solacula <i>et al</i> , 1935
	<i>Hemidesmus indicus</i>	"	root	Dutta <i>et al</i> , 1938
	<i>Chlorocodon</i> sp.	"	"	Mascre & Paris, 1947
	<i>C. whiteii</i>	"	"	Gailly, 1947
	<i>P. sepium</i>	"	seedling	Shoji <i>et al</i> , 1967
	<i>Tylophora indica</i>	"	"	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Decalepis hamiltonii</i>	"	"	"
	<i>Hanghonia marseillii</i>	Apocynaceae	"	"
	<i>Decalepis hamiltonii</i>	"	"	Guenther, 1957
10. Caniferylaldehyde	<i>Santalum album</i>	Santalaceae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>S. spicatum</i>	"	-	"
11. Cinnamaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum</i> spp.	Lauraceae	essential oil	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Cassia</i> spp.	Leguminosae	-	"
	<i>Melaleuca</i> spp.	Myrtaceae	-	"
	<i>Lavandula</i> spp.	Labiatae	-	"
	<i>Pogostemon cablin</i>	"	-	"
	<i>Hyacinthus</i> spp.	Liliaceae	flower-oil	"
	<i>Narcissus</i> spp.	Amaryllidaceae	"	"
	<i>Cinnamomum verum</i>	Lauraceae	bark	Leung, 1980
	<i>C. aromaticum</i>	"	"	"
	<i>C. osmophloeum</i>	"	leaf	Hussain <i>et al</i> , 1986
	<i>Commiphora molmol</i>	Burseraceae	-	Leung, 1980
12. <i>o</i> -Methoxy-cinnamaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum cassia</i>	Lauraceae	oil of bark and leaf	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>C. aromaticum</i>	"	bark	Leung, 1980

13. <i>p</i> -Methoxy-cinnamaldehyde	<i>Artemisia dracunculus</i>	Compositae	essential oil	Gibbs, 1974
14. 3,4-Methylene dioxy-cinnamaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum</i> sp.	Lauraceae	-	Gibbs, 1974
15. Phenyl-propionaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum cassia</i>	Lauraceae	-	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>C. zeylanicum</i>	"	-	"
16. Cumene aldehyde	<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	Labiatae	-	Leung, 1974
17. Cuminaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum verum</i>	Lauraceae	bark	Leung, 1980
	<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>	Umbelliferae	-	"
	<i>Lavandula stoechas</i>	Lamiaceae	-	Kakkalou, 1988
	<i>Achillea grandifolia</i>	Compositae	-	Hanlidou, Kokkalou, and Kokkini, 1992
18. Coniferaldehyde	<i>Sassafras albidum</i>	Lauraceae	-	Leung, 1980
	( <i>S. variifolium</i> )			
19. Cumaldehyde	<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>	Umbelliferae	-	Leung, 1980
20. Hydro-cinnamaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum verum</i>	Lauraceae	-	Leung, 1980
21. Ferulaldehyde	<i>Santalum album</i>	Santalaceae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>S. spicatum</i>	"	-	"
22. Phenylacetaldehyde	<i>Rosa</i> spp.	Rosaceae	-	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Cynara scolymus</i>	Compositae	-	Leung, 1980



23. Piperonal	<i>Doryphora sassafras</i>	Atherosperma -taceae	tree	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Cinnamomum</i> sp.	Lauraceae	-	"
	<i>Spiraea</i> spp.	Rosaceae	-	"
	<i>Robinia pseudacacia</i>	Leguminosae	flower-oil	"
	<i>Viola odorata</i>	Violaceae	flower	"
	<i>Eryngium</i> spp.	Umbelliferae	essential oil	"
	<i>Vanilla</i> spp.	Orchidaceae	bean	Leung, 1980
	<i>Spiraea ulmaria</i>	Rosaceae	flower	"
24. 4-methoxy- resorcylaldehyde	<i>Decalepis hamiltonii</i>	Asclepiadaceae	root	Rao and Iyengar, 1983
25. Salicylaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum cassia</i>	Lauraceae	-	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Filipendula (Spiraea) ulmaria</i>	Rosaceae	-	"
	<i>Prunus avium</i>	"	-	"
	<i>Ceanothus velutinus</i>	Rhamnaceae	leaf	"
	<i>Homalium tomentosum</i>	Flacourtiaceae	-	"
	<i>Rauwolfia caffra</i>	Apocynaceae	bark	"
	<i>Cordia asperrima</i>	Boraginaceae	-	"
	<i>Nicotiana tabacum</i>	Solanaceae	leaf	"
	<i>Cinnamomum aromaticum</i>	Lauraceae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>Tagetes erecta</i>	Compositae	-	"
	<i>T. patula</i>	"	-	"
<i>T. minuta</i>	"	-	"	
26. Methyl- salicylaldehyde	<i>Cinnamomum aromaticum</i>	Lauraceae	-	Leung, 1980
27. Sinaptic aldehyde	<i>Juglans cinerea</i>	Juglandaceae	heart wood	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>J. nigra</i>	"	"	"
	<i>Quercus</i> spp.	Fagaceae	"	"
	<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	Aceraceae	"	"
28. Sinaptyl aldehyde	<i>Santalum album</i>	Santalaceae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>S. spicatum</i>	"	-	"

	<i>Vanilla planifolia</i>	"	fruit	"
	<i>Ferula assa-foetida</i>	Umbelliferae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>Ferula</i> spp.	"	-	"
	<i>Styrax</i> spp.	Styracaceae	-	"
	<i>Agropyron repens</i>	Gramineae	-	"
	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Hamamelidaceae	-	"
	<i>L. orientalis</i>	"	-	"
	<i>Vanilla tanitensis</i>	Orchidaceae	pod	"
	<i>Ferula sinkiangensis</i>	Umbelliferae	gum resin	"
	<i>F. fukanensis</i>	"	-	"
	<i>Myroxylon pereirae</i>	Leguminosae	-	"
	<i>M. balsamum</i>	"	-	"
30. Methylvanillin	<i>Eryngium poterium</i>	Umbelliferae	-	Gibbs, 1974
	<i>Cymbopogon javanensis</i>	Graminae	-	"
	<i>Melaleuca leucadendron</i>	Myrtaceae	-	Leung, 1980
31. Syringic aldehyde	<i>Santalum album</i>	Santalaceae	-	Leung, 1980
	<i>S. spicatum</i>	"	-	"

### 3.3 Biosynthesis of Benzaldehyde derivatives

(Goodwin and Mercer, 1983; Luckner, 1990)

Benzaldehyde derivatives derive from dihydrocinnamic acid. Dihydrocinnamic acids (phenylpropionic acids) are formed from cinnamic acids by hydrogenation of the side chain. In plants and microorganisms cinnamic acid is formed from L-phenylalanine by phenylalanine ammonia-lyase (PAL). This enzyme catalyzes the antiperiplanar elimination of the pro 3 (S)-hydrogen atom and the NH<sub>2</sub> group to yield *E*-cinnamic acid.

The biosynthesis of benzaldehyde derivatives is through dihydrocinnamic acids which are cleaved with the formation of a two-carbon fragment and an aromatic aldehyde. Aromatic aldehyde may be oxidized to the corresponding acids or reduced to the alcohols (Figure 2.6).



In the nature, aromatic aldehydes are produced from lignins. The lignins of monocotyledonous angiosperms, dicotyledonous angiosperms and gymnosperms are structurally different from one another. This difference stems from the structure of phenylpropane building units. This is apparent from the different aromatic aldehydes produced when native lignin from these sources is subjected to mild oxidation with nitrobenzene in alkaline medium. Gymnosperm lignin yields mostly vanillin *61* but also a little *p*-hydroxybenzaldehyde *62*, dicotyledonous lignin yields mostly vanillin and syringaldehyde *63* but also a little *p*-hydroxy-benzaldehyde whilst monocotyledonous lignin yields all three aldehydes (Figure 2.7). Nitrobenzene oxidation yields aromatic aldehydes from benzenoid nuclei with a hydroxyl group para to an aliphatic side chain when the  $\alpha$ -carbon atom of the side chain bears a hydroxyl or sulphonic acid group, or is involved in the formation of a carbonyl group or a double bond. This indicates that vanillin, *p*-hydroxy-benzaldehyde and syringaldehyde arise from phenylpropane building units *58*, *59* and *60* respectively.

#### 3.4 Aspects of some Naturally Occurring Aromatic Aldehydes

(Kirk and Othmer, 1948; Guenther, 1957; Bedoukian, 1967; Poucjer, 1974; Windholz, 1989).

##### a. Anisaldehyde (aubepine or *p*-methoxy benzaldehyde or anisic aldehyde)

Anisaldehyde is a colorless to yellowish oil, possessing a strong odor characteristic of blooming hawthorn. It's properties are miscible with alcohol or ether, volatile with steam, soluble in 7-8 volume of 50 % alcohol and soluble in 300 volume of water with slight opalescence. On exposure to air, anisaldehyde is oxidized to *p*-anisic acid (m.p. 184.2°C). In combination with sodium bisulfite it is sold as crystallized aubepine. It is also very useful in general perfume work and for the scenting of soaps, particularly in lilac, heliotrope, hawthorn, acacia, mimosa, new mown hay, and sweet pea compositions.

##### b. Asaronaldehyde (2,4,5-Trimethoxybenzaldehyde)

Asaronaldehyde is sparingly soluble in cold water but easily soluble in ether, benzene, or ligroine.

### c. Benzaldehyde

Benzaldehyde is one of the first aromatic compounds to be isolated and identified. It is a strongly refractive, colorless liquid possessing a characteristic aromatic odor resembling that of bitter almonds. Benzaldehyde is volatile with steam and is 0.3% soluble in water at room temperature. It is miscible in all proportions with alcohol and ether at 25°C.

Benzaldehyde probably does not occur as such in plants but in the form of glucosides-for instance, amygdalin. Under the influence of enzymes this glucoside is split into benzaldehyde, glucose, and hydrocyanic acid. On exposure to air, benzaldehyde readily oxidizes to benzoic acid. An addition of 10% alcohol prevents oxidation by air, whereas an addition of less alcohol might accelerate the oxidation.

Benzaldehyde is widely used in industry. The N.F. grade serves the beverage and food industry as a flavoring agent and as an odorant. In pharmaceuticals, it is used as an ingredient in compounding and dispensing, as well as a flavoring agent. The technical grade is largely used as an intermediate in the synthesis of other chemicals such as cinnamaldehyde, amylcinnamaldelyde. During World War II it found wide applications in the South Pacific area as an insecticide against mites. Technical benzaldehyde can also be used for masking unpleasant odors in soaps and in sulfonated cutting oils.

### d. Cinnamaldehyde

Cinnamaldehyde has long been known to be the main constituent of cinnamon oil. In 1833, Blanchet noticed that on the steam distillation of Ceylon cinnamon, an oil was obtained, part of which was heavier than water. This heavy oil was subjected to an investigation by Dumas and Peligot who found the main constituent to have the empirical formula  $C_9H_8O$  (M.W. 132.16). Cinnamaldehyde is a yellow liquid possessing a powerful odor and flavor characteristic of cinnamon, volatile with steam. It is sparingly soluble in water, soluble in alcohol or ether, insoluble in petroleum ether. Its structure can exist in two isomeric forms. The natural product is the *trans* form, as is the commercial product. Because of its powerful odor, typical of cassia and cinnamon, cinnamaldehyde serves as a valuable ingredient in flavors and in perfumes for the imparting of spicy notes. It is also used widely for the scenting of soaps.

e. *o*-Methoxy cinnamaldehyde

A crystalline substance having an odor recalling cassia. Bertram and Kursten reported its properties: b.p. 295°C (with part decomposition), m.p. 45-46°C. *o*-Methoxy-cinnamaldehyde is very unstable and readily decomposes even without exposure to air and light. It imparts an intensely yellow color to the skin.

f. Cumaldehyde (Cuminaldehyde, *p*-Isopropylbenzaldehyde, Cuminal)

Cumaldehyde is an oil possessing a disagreeable odor characteristic of cumin seed, volatile with steam. On oxidation with alkaline potassium permanganate, cumaldehyde yields cumic acid. Cumaldehyde is used for the compounding of synthetic cumin oil which serves for the flavoring of curry sauces and of exotic dishes in general. Because of its powerful odor, this aldehyde must be used sparingly.

g. Hydrocinnamaldehyde ( $\beta$ -phenylpropionaldehyde, Benzylacetaldehyde)

Hydrocinnamaldehyde is a colorless liquid with a powerful floral fragrance of hyacinth type and not unlike phenylacetic aldehyde. On exposure to air, hydrocinnamaldehyde oxidizes to hydrocinnamic acid. It is used widely but sparingly in all kinds of floral perfume compositions, especially lilac, jasmine, rose, and sweet pea.

h. Phenylacetaldehyde ( $\alpha$ -Tolualdehyde, Phenylacetic aldehyde)

Phenylacetaldehyde is a viscous and highly odorous liquid widely used as the base of hyacinth oils. It is used quite widely in perfumes and in cosmetics. It serves in the compounding of hyacinth, narcissus, jonquil, jasmine, lilac, lily, certain rose types, and of general floral scents to which it imparts a refreshing top note, characteristic of hyacinth.

i. Piperonal (3,4-Methylenedioxy benzaldehyde, Heliotropin)

Piperonal consists of colorless, shiny crystals. It possesses a sweet, flower-like odor, characteristic of heliotrope. It is readily volatile with steam. The boiling point at 760 mm. is  $263^{\circ}\text{C}$ . It is soluble in the usual organic solvents, sparingly soluble in cold water, more readily in hot water from which it can be recrystallized in the form of large crystals. The solubility in water is 2:1000 at  $12^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Five parts of piperonal are soluble in 100 parts of 70% alcohol at  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$ . On exposure to light and air, piperonal turns yellow and finally decompose, being very slowly oxidized to piperonylic acid. Piperonal is used widely in perfumery and for the scenting of cosmetics and soaps. Due to its distinct heliotrope odor it serves in lilac, carnation, sweet pea, and in fancy bouquets of all types. It blends well with coumarin and vanillin and imparts a lasting sweetness wherever used.

j. Salicylaldehyde (*o*-Hydroxybenzaldehyde)

Salicylaldehyde is an aromatic liquid with an odor recalling that of meadow-sweet. It is volatile with steam, sparingly soluble in water, miscible with alcohol and ether. Oxidation of salicylaldehyde yields salicylic acid. Small quantities of salicylaldehyde are used in flavor work, also in the compounding of synthetic flower oils. The principal use, however, is a starting material for the synthesis of coumarin.

k. Vanillin (4-Hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde, Protocatechualdehyde-3-methyl ether)

This important aromatic aldehyde is widely distributed in nature, although it occurs in essential oils, gums, and balsams only in small quantities. Most likely plants do not contain vanillin as such but in the form of glucosides which by enzyme action release vanillin. The most important source of natural vanillin is the vanilla bean (fruit). The vanilla beans are collected while they are still unripe and just when they begin to turn yellow at the ends. When picked they are odorless. The curing process is responsible for the aroma of vanilla and after sorting the pods into long, short, and broken grades. Vanilla contains about 2% of vanillin together with anisaldehyde, anisyl alcohol, and free anisic acid. Vanillin crystallizes from hot water in the form of colorless needles. It possesses a strong and intensely sweet odor characteristic of vanilla. On careful heating, vanillin can be sublimated without decomposition; by prolonged heating at  $105^{\circ}\text{C}$  vanillin decomposes with formation of nonvolatile products. It is readily soluble in alcohol, ether, chloroform, soluble in hot water,

relatively insoluble in cold water, for which reason vanillin can be recrystallized from water. At 75-80°C, 1 part of vanillin dissolved in 20 parts of water, at 14°C in 90-100 parts of water. At 7-8°C the greater part of vanillin will gradually crystallize from water. Vanillin is the main ingredient in artificial vanilla flavors. It is used most extensively for the flavoring of confectionery, baked goods, candies, chocolates, ice creams, etc. It serves widely also in perfumes and cosmetics for imparting sweet and lasting notes. It blends well with heliotropin and coumarin. Vanillin can serve as a starting material for the synthesis of other compounds and for the manufacture of a range of pharmaceuticals. Vanillin derivative, ethyl vanillin; which has not been found in nature, has a truer vanilla bean flavor than vanillin and is generally considered to be the of four times stronger in flavor.

I. 4-methoxysalicylaldehyde (2-Hydroxy-4-methoxybenzaldehyde)

4-Methoxysalicylaldehyde,  $C_8H_8O_3$  (M.W. 152.14), has been found in the order Gentianales which might prove of real interest. It has been reported from several genera of Asclepiadaceae and Apocynaceae. Friedlaender and Schuloff reported its properties: m.p. 41°C, characteristic aromatic odor, suggestive of vanillin.

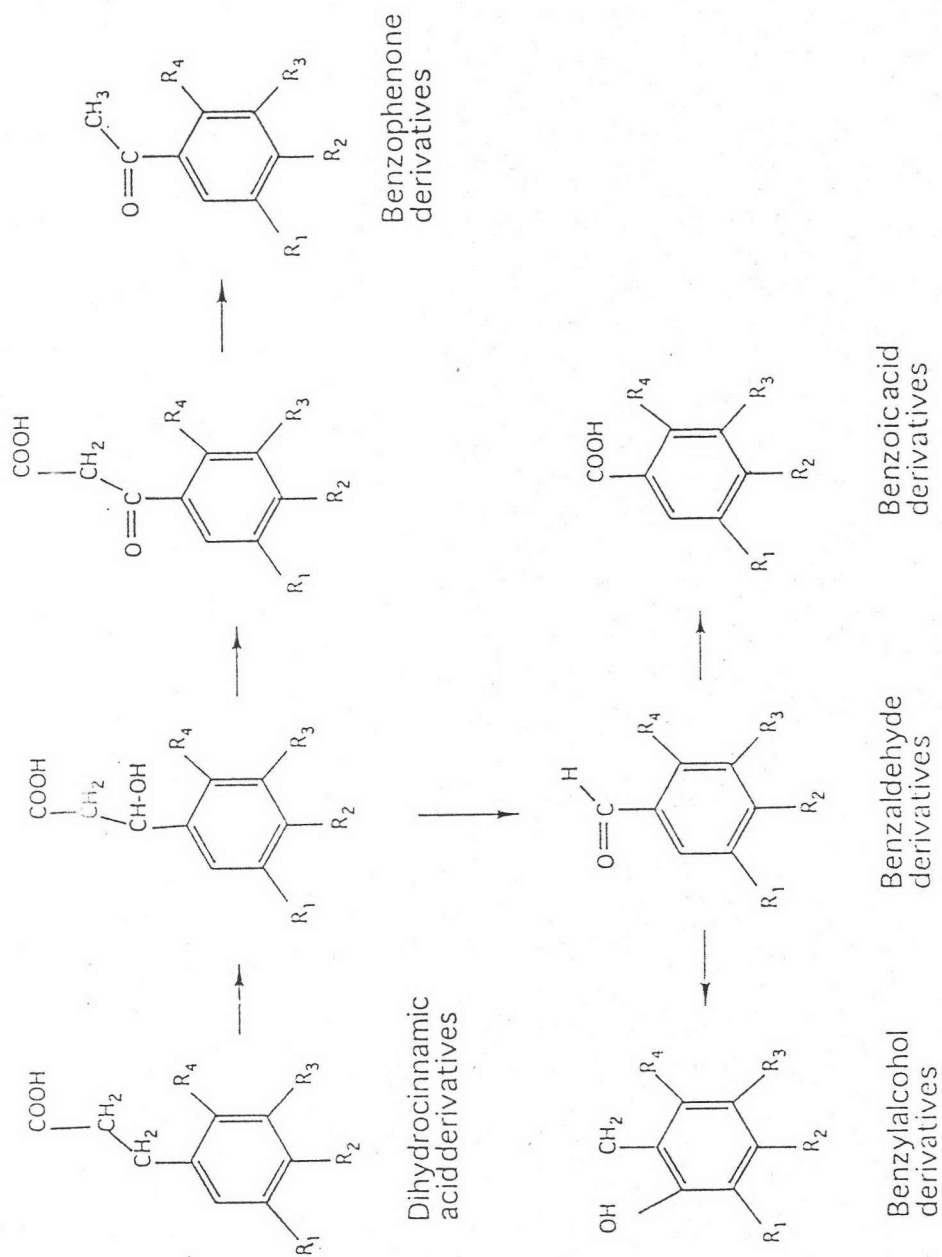


Figure 2.6 Biosynthesis of benzaldehyde derivatives



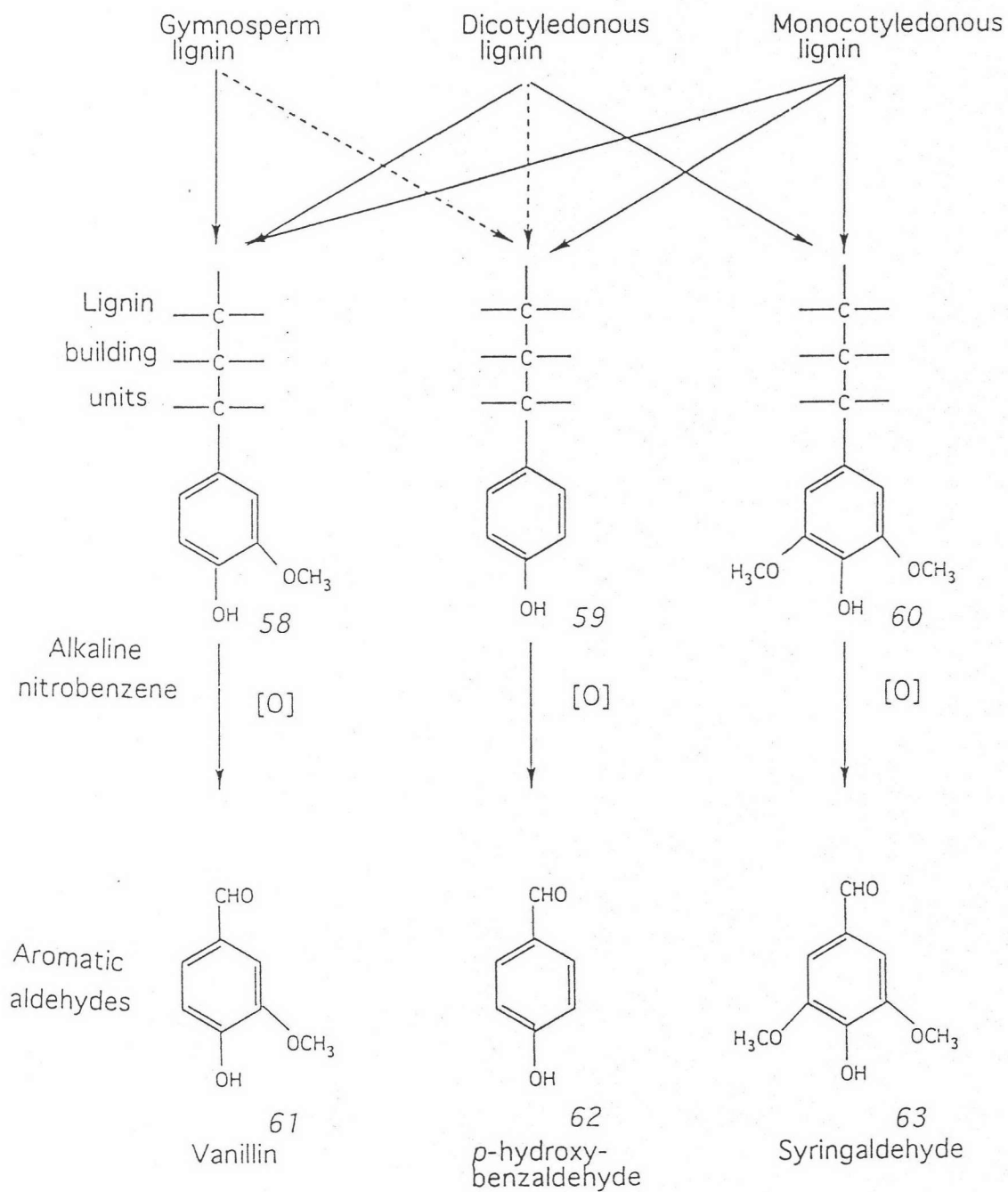


Figure 2.7 Aromatic aldehydes released from lignin by mild oxidation with Alkaline Nitrobenzene