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Deciphering the Chemical Structures with Anti-Trypanocidal Properties and Identifying Distinctive Compounds in Scutellaria and Artemisia Plants Native to Mongolia

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In this investigation, we have undertaken a comprehensive analysis of three distinct plant species: *Scutellaria scordiifolia*, *Artemisia siversiana*, and *Artemisia adamsii*, with the aim of elucidating their phytochemical potentials and therapeutic attributes in combating infectious diseases caused by Trypanosoma in livestock animals.

Phytochemical investigation of Scutellaria scordiifolia and its trypanical activity¹

This investigation unveiled 10 previously uncharacterized compounds, encompassing a flavanone (compound 1), four chrysin derivatives with C-glycoside structures (compounds 2-5), a phenanthrene glucoside (compound 6), 4 iridoid glucosides (compounds 7-10), in addition to 31 previously documented substances. The sugar configurations in the C-glycosides were determined by comparing their electric circular dichroism spectra with calculated data.

The new compounds purified from Scutellaria scordiifolia

Certain compounds within the categories of flavanones (compounds 1 and 17), flavonols (compounds 11 - 13), flavone (compound 14), and specific flavone glucuronides (compounds 15 and 16) exhibited significant trypanocidal effects against *Trypanosoma congolense*. The activity data and quantitative analysis of flavonoids using high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) from the aerial parts of *S. scordiifolia* indicate their potential effectiveness in treating diseases caused by the aforementioned trypanosomes.

Isolation and evaluation of trypanocidal activity of sesquiterpenoids, flavonoids, and lignans in *Artemisia sieversiana* collected in Mongolia²

In this investigation, we isolated three new sesquiterpenoids (labeled as 42-44) and one monoterpenoid (64) along with known substances from *A. sieversiana*, examining their characteristics. The complete structure of compound 42 was determined using single-crystal X-ray diffraction crystallography, revealing a configuration distinct from previously reported compounds with similar structures. Additionally, two other novel sesquiterpenoids (43 and 44) with analogous structures and determined their configurations. Furthermore, we evaluated the anti-trypanosomal effects of the isolated compounds (42 – 59) against *Trypanosoma congolense*, the pathogen responsible for fatal trypanosomosis in animals. Flavonoids and lignans were identified as the active components, displaying IC₅₀ values ranging from 2.9 to 90.2 μ M.

Isolated new compounds from A.sieversiana

Phytochemical constituents of Artemisia adamsii

Within this study, three new sesquiterpenoids were isolated together with 23 known compounds which are flavonoids, coumarins and quinic acid derivatives. Additionally, all the isolated compounds were mentioned for the first time from *A. adamsii*. Until recently, comprehensive scientific information about the phytochemicals in this plant has been lacking. As a result, the reputed traditional uses of the plant have not been adequately supported by scientific evidence. Our findings, which reveal the phytochemicals of *A. adamsii*, may contribute to further research aimed at understanding

ecological interactions with animals and other plant species, as well as exploring the therapeutic applications of this plant.

Molecular sturucture of new sesquiterpenoids from Artemisia adamsii

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