fragment c, giving rise to an ion with an additional ether bridge. The loss of rings C and D leads to fragment b with the appearance of a 13- or 14-membered ring.

Data on the Mass Spectra of Substances (I)-(V)

Fragment	(1)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)
	m/e and relative intensity, $\%$				
M+	652 (62)	636 (100)	622 (52)	608 (40)	638 (100)
$(M-1)^+$	651 (31)	635 (64)	621 (26)	607 (23)	637 (46)
$(M-15)^+$	637 (12)	621 (51)	607 (6)	593 (5)	623 (9)
$(M-31)^+$	621 (5) 426 (17) 213 (100)	605 (17) 205 (13)	591 (2) 396 (100) 198 (24)	577 (5) 382 (70) 191 (100)	607 (6)
$(a-15)^+$	206 (3)	200 (10)	381 (18)	183 (10)	206 (18)
$(a-46)^{+}$	190 (13) 461 (16)	<u> </u>	175 (5)	168 (37)	190 (69) 417 (63)
(b-15)+ c d	446 (2) 515 (3) 175 (8)	499 (11) 175 (5)	- 175 (5)	- 175 (15)	402 (57) 515 (2) 175 (7)
$(d-1)^+$	174 (27) 90 (3)	174 (7) 90 (15)	174 (10) 90 (2)	174 (40) 90 (10)	174 (5) 90 (4)
$(e-1)^+$	89 (6)	89 (6)	89 (2)	89 (5)	89 (2)

As was to be expected, this fragment is absent from the spectrum of (II). The loss of ring E forms a new 8-membered ring, giving fragment c. The singly-charged ion with m/e 175 (fragment d) is formed either from one of the isoquino-line rings or, as in the case of (V), it is doubly charged and arises from the $(a - 46)^{++}$ ion through the loss of OCH₃ and the migration of hydrogen.

The ions m/e 90 and 89 [fragments e and $(e - 1)^+$] are characteristic for bisbenzylisoquinoline alkaloids with an unsubstituted benzene ring F.

The formation of these ions is confirmed by the presence in the spectra of substances (I)-(V) of metastable and isotopic peaks (table).

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ALKALCIDS OF SENECIO JACOBEA, HELIOTROPIUM ACUTIFLORUM, AND H. TRANSOXANUM

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From 500 g of the epigeal part of S. jacobea L., collected on 8 May 1967 in the budding period in the Oshskaya Oblast of KirgSSR (gorge of the R. Akbur) we have isolated by chloroform extraction 2.1 g of ethereal and 0.9 of chloroformic total alkaloids (0.6% of the total dry plant).

Treatment of the total ethereal alkaloids with methanol yielded 1.2 g of crystals with mp 232-235° C (methanol),

 $[\alpha]_D$ -14.5° (c 1.0; chloroform); its picrate had mp 232-235° C. The same constants characterize the alkaloid d-oto-senine [1, 2]. However, the base differs from d-otosenine by the sign of its rotation and it is therefore *l*-otosenine, which has not been described in the literature. From the methanolic mother liquor we isolated 0.6 g of renardine [3].

By separating the chloroformic total alkaloids according to the solubility of the bases in acetone, we obtained 0.4g of jacobine [4] with mp 225-226° C (acetone).

From 135 g of the epigeal part of H. acutiflorum K. et K. collected on 11 June 1967 at the end of the flowering period in the Kyzyl-Kum by chloroform extraction we obtained 0.7 g of ethereal, 0.77 g of chloroformic, and 1.32 g of reduced total alkaloids (2.06% of the weight of the dry plant). The separation of 2.79 g of the total bases yielded 1.77 g of heliotrine [5, 6], and the mother liquors by reduction with zinc in hydrochloric acid gave an additional 0.3 g of this alkaloid.

Paper chromatography of the mother liquors in the butanol—acetic acid—water (100:5:100) system gave two spots with R_f 0.49 and 0.69, the first of which corresponded to heliotrine. Thus, the mother liquor contains another alkaloid besides heliotrine.

From 247 g of H. transoxanum Bge (Kyzyl-Kum), 11 June 1967, we obtained 0.92 g of ethereal, 1.75 g of chloroformic, and 1.43 g of reduced total alkaloids (1.65% of the weight of the dry raw material).

The separation of 4.1 g of the total bases yielded 2.97 g of heliotrine, and the mother liquors by reduction with zinc and hydrochloric acid gave 0.45 g. According to paper chromatography, the mother liquor contained another alkaloid, with Rf 0.71.

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STRUCTURE AND CONFIGURATION OF KORSEVERILINE

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By chloroform extraction from the epigeal part and bulbs of Korolkowia sewerzowii Rgl. we have obtained 2.3%, 1.4, 1.3, and 1.7%* of total alkaloids, respectively. By separating the ethereal part of the 2.3% of the mixture of alkaloids with respect to their basicities and solubilities in methanol and acetone, we isolated korsine (8%) [1] and a new alkaloid korseveriline (30%). A similar separation of the 1.4% of total alkaloids gave korsine (5%), korseveriline (20%), that of the 1.3% of total alkaloids gave korsine (3%) and korseveriline (50%), and that of the 1.7% of total alkaloids gave korsine (2%) and korseveriline (40%).

Korseveriline ($C_{27}H_{45}O_3N$) has mp 240-242° C, $[\alpha]_D$ -15° (c 0.8; ethanol), mol. wt. 431 (mass spectrometry), thiocyanate mp 177-178° C, methiodide mp 300-301° C. Korseveriline is a saturated tertiary base containing two secondary and one tertiary hydroxyl and no N-methyl group. IR spectrum, ν_{max} : 3375, 1130, 1055, 1028, 1100-990 (-OH), 2915, 2860, 1465, 1443 (-CH₃), and 2773 cm⁻¹ (trans-quinolizidine). Diacetylkorseveriline (I) was obtained

^{*}In the first two cases, the plant was collected in the flowering stage in the Sary-Agach region of the south Kazakh-stan Oblast and in the other two cases in the flowering stage at Khamzaabad in the Fergana Oblast.