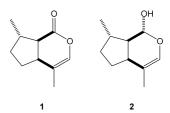
Aphid sex pheromones: from discovery to commercial production

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Sex pheromone components for a number of pest aphid species comprise the cyclopentanoid nepetalactones 1 and 2. The nepetalactone 1 is produced on a commercial scale from catmint, *Nepeta cataria* (Lamiaceae). The availability of aphid sex pheromone components is now facilitating the development of aphid pest control strategies, particularly in the manipulation of populations of beneficial insects such as parasitic wasps and predatory lacewings.



Large differences in amino acid sequences among ferredoxins from several species of genus *Solanum*

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The complete amino acid sequences of [2Fe-2S] ferredoxins from four species of genus *Solanum* were determined, and were compared with those of other higher plants.

ATYKVKLVTPDGPIEFDCPDDVYILDQAEEGHELPYSCR

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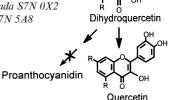
Solanum nigrum ferredoxin

Pigmentation in the developing seed coat and seedling leaves of *Brassica carinata* is controlled at the dihydroflavonol reductase locus

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RP-HPLC profiles revealed that flavonoid intermediates accumulated in unpigmented seed coat of *Brassica carinata*. Transcript analyses determined that dihydroflavonol reductase gene expression was altered.



Microbial transformation of xanthohumol

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Microbial transformation of xanthohumol (1), using the culture broth of *Pichia membranifaciens* afforded three metabolites, (E)-2-(2'''-hydroxyisopropyl)-dihydrofurano [2'',3'':4',3']-2',4-dihydroxy-6'-methoxychalcone (2), (2S)-2''-(2'''-hydroxyisopropyl)-dihydrofurano [2'',3'':7,8]-4'-hydroxy-5-ethoxyflavanone (3) and (E)-2'''-(2'''-hydroxyisopropyl)-dihydrofurano [2'',3'':2',3']-4'-hydroxy-6'-methoxychalcone (4).

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First detection of a chloroperoxidase in bryophytes

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For the first time an enzyme of the chloroperoxidase type was detected in bryophytes namely in the liverwort Bazzania trilobata.

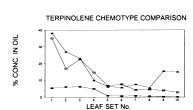
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Monoterpenoid accumulation in 1,8-cineole, terpinolene and terpinen-4-ol chemotypes of Melaleuca alternifolia seedlings

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Individual seedling leaves of the 1,8-cineole (■), terpinolene (▲) and terpinen-4-ol (□) chemotypes of Melaleuca alternifolia were examined for volatile constituents from the emergence of the first true leaves, through to 6-week-old, tenth leaf set material.



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Seed phosphorus and inositol phosphate phenotype of barley low phytic acid genotypes

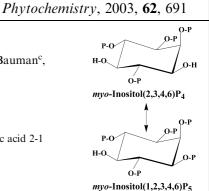
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Seed inositol phosphates of four barley low phytic acid genotypes are described. Barley low phytic acid 2-1 accumulates D/L-Ins(2,3,4,6)P₄ and Ins(1,2,3,4,6)P₅.



Phytochemistry, 2003, 62, 707 Identification of a hydroxy substituted calamenene—a sesquiterpene associated with wound reactions in non-infected xylem of *Tilia* spp.

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The increase in the concentration of hydroxycalamenene with duration of wound response and its localization in non-infected xylem of lime trees is reported.

5-Hydroxycalamenene 7-Hydroxycalamenene

Phytotoxicity of the tetramic acid metabolite trichosetin

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The first details of the phytotoxicity of trichosetin are reported.

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Xanosporic acid, an intermediate in bacterial degradation of the fungal phototoxin cercosporin

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Cercosporin is oxidized by *Xanthomonas campestris* pv. *zinniae* to non-toxic xanosporic acid, characterized as its lactone.

Identification of 6-methylsulfinylhexyl isothiocyanate as an apoptosis-inducing component in wasabi

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Phytochemistry, 2003, 62, 733

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A compound that induces apoptosis in human leukemic and stomach cancer cell lines was isolated from an ethanol extract of Japanese horseradish wasabi (*Wasabia japonica*). The compound was identified as 6-methylsulfinylhexyl isothiocyanate.

$$CH_3-SO-(CH_2)_6-N=C=S$$

Bioactive sucrose esters from Bidens parviflora

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Three sucrose esters and a substituted truxillate were isolated from *Bidens parviflora* Willd.

Antiplasmodial and antifungal activities of iridal, a plant triterpenoid

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The antimalarial study of iridal, extracted from *Iris germanica* L. in vitro on *Plasmodium falciparum* chloroquine-resistant and -sensitive strains and in vivo on *P. vinckei* presents an interesting and specific antiplasmodial activity.

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Scavenging of reactive oxygen species by a novel glucurinated flavonoid antioxidant isolated and purified from spinach

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NAO, the natural water soluble antioxidants isolated from spinach and its isolated component, glucorinated flavonoid (GF), exhibited strong antioxidant activities. The direct free radical scavenging properties of the GF and the NAO were elucidated using ERS technique. The results obtained indicate that the natural antioxidants derived from spinach may directly affect the scavenging of ROS.

Stereochemistry of megastigmane glucosides from *Glochidion zevlanicum* and *Alangium premnifolium*

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Structural elucidation of two megastigmane glycosides from *Glochidion zeylanicum* and the absolute structures of previously isolated megastigmane glycosides are reported.

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Lignan derivatives from the liverwort *Bazzania trilobata*

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Eight macrocyclic lignan derivatives, trilobatin D-K, as well as jamesopyrone were isolated from the liverwort *Bazzania trilobata*. Their structures have been elucidated based on extensive NMR spectral evidence.

Dihydroisocoumarins and a tetralone from *Cytospora eucalypticola*

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Two dihydroisocoumarins were isolated from the culture filtrate of *Cytospora eucalypticola* together with three known dihydroisocoumarins and a tetralone. Their structures were determined by spectroscopic methods. The antifungal, antibacterial and insect antifeedant activities of some of the compounds were evaluated.

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New insights on the structure of algaenan from

Botryoccocus braunii race A and its hexane insoluble botryals based on multidimensional NMR spectroscopy and electrospray—mass spectrometry.

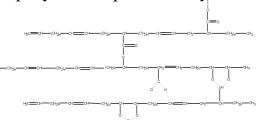
techniques

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Structural relationships between the hexane insoluble botryals and algaenan fron *B. braunii* race A are determined with the ultimate aim to establish a structure for the insoluble algaenan.



Homoisoflavonoids and xanthones from the tubers of wild and in vitro regenerated *Ledebouria graminifolia* and cytotoxic activities of some of the homoisoflavonoids

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Five new and six known homoisoflavoniods, and two known xanthones were isolated from the bulbs of wild *Ledebouria graminofolia*. These same compounds were detected in in vitro generated specimens.

Sesquineolignans and other constituents from the seeds of *Joannesia princeps*

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(\pm)-3,3'-Bisdemethylpinoresinol and six sesquineolignans were isolated from the seeds of *Joannesia princeps* together with the known neolignans isoamericanin A, americanol A and isoamericanol A.

HOH₂C
$$C_3$$

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