

SAMARCANDIN ACETATE FROM THE ROOTS
OF *Ferula pseudooreoselinum*

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In addition to the isosamarcandin angelate described previously [1], from the neutral fraction of the resin of the roots of *Ferula pseudooreoselinum* (Rgl. et Schmahl) K. Pol., by chromatography on neutral Al_2O_3 (activity grade II) with elution by chloroform and subsequent chromatography of the coumarin fraction (R_f 0.16) on inactive Al_2O_3 with elution by diethyl ether-petroleum ether (2:1), after prolonged crystallization from diethyl ether we have isolated a coumarin $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_6$, mp 152-153°C (from aqueous ethanol), $[\alpha]_D^{20} + 29.4^\circ$ (c 1; ethanol); ethanol, M^+ 442 (mass spectrometry). This coumarin has not been found in plants previously.

UV spectrum: $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{ethanol}}$ 325, 252, 242, 218 nm (log ϵ 4.19, 3.36, 3.56, 4.27).

IR spectrum: λ_{max} (cm^{-1}) 3560 and 3490 (OH group), 1720 (C = O of a lactone and C = O of an acetyl group), 1618, 1510 (C = C of a conjugated aromatic system), and 1260 (C-O of an acetyl group) (paraffin oil) (Fig. 1).

NMR spectrum: δ CCl_4 , 7.56 and 6.18 ppm (doublets, each 1H, $J = 9$ Hz) corresponding to H-4 and H-3; 7.3 ppm (doublet, 1H, $J = 7$ Hz) corresponding to H-5; 6.84 (singlet, 1H) corresponding to H-8; 6.79 ppm (quartet, 1H, $J_1 = 7$ Hz, $J_2 = 2$ Hz) corresponding to H-6; 4.6 ppm (broadened singlet, 1H) corresponding to C_3 -H, equatorial at an acetyl residue; 4.36 and 4.10 (two quartets, each 1H, $J_1 = 11$ Hz, $J_2 = 4$ Hz and $J_1 = 11$ Hz, $J_2 = 6$ Hz) corresponding to O- CH_2 -C₉; 2.0 ppm (singlet, 3H) corresponding to CH_3 of an acetyl group; 1.18 ppm (singlet, 3H) corresponding to CH_3 -C₈; 0.88 ppm (singlet, 3H) and 0.81 ppm (singlet, 6H) corresponding to CH_3 -C₁₀ and $(\text{CH}_3)_2$ -C₄. On the basis of these facts we came to the conclusion that the substance is an acetate.

The saponification of the coumarin under investigation gave a substance with mp 175-177°C which was identified by its melting point and IR spectrum as samarcandin [2].

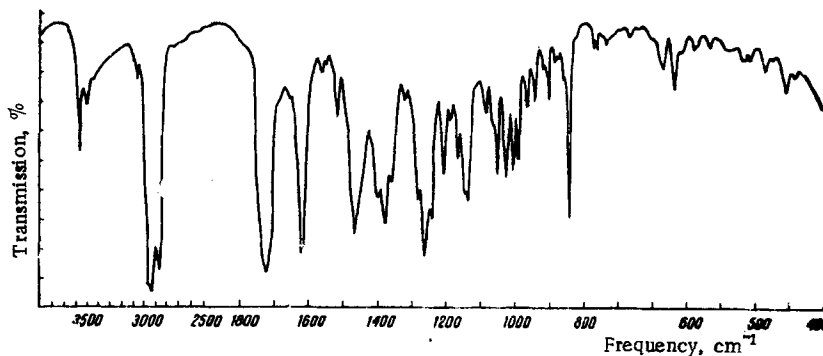
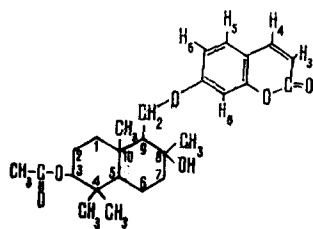


Fig. 1. IR spectrum of samarcandin acetate (paraffin oil).

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It follows from the chemical and spectral results that the coumarin under study is samarcandin 3-acetate [2].



The acetate with mp 152-153°C obtained by the acetylation of samarcandin gave no depression of the melting point with the isolated natural coumarin, and their IR spectra were identical.

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