UDC 547.972

S. A. Tselinko, Ya. K. Yatsyuk, and N. S. Fursa

The epigeal part of <u>Berteroa incana</u> D.C. (hoary false alyssum) collected in July-August, 1971 in the environs of Zaporozhe was exhaustively extracted with methanol. The purified residue after the distillation of the extractant was chromatographed on polyamide. Three aglycones of flavonoid nature were isolated which were provisionally designated (I), (II), and (III).

Substance (I) formed lemon-yellow crystals, $C_{16}H_{12}O_6$, mp 219-221°C, R_f 0.70 in the benzene-ethyl acetate-acetic acid (70:30:2)/25% formamide system (system 1), 0.57 in 60% acetic acid (system 2), and 0.27 in cyclohexane-benzene (7:3) (system 3); UV spectrum: λ_{max} 350, 265 nm (ethanol).

Substance (II) formed light-yellow crystals, $C_{15}H_{10}O_6$, mp 274-275°C, R_f 0.52 (system 1), 0.44 (system 2); UV spectrum: λ_{max} 370, 265 nm (ethanol).

Substance (III) formed yellow crystals, $C_{15}H_{10}O_7$, mp 309-310°C; R_f 0.17 (system 1), 0.32 (system 2); UV spectrum: λ_{max} 375, 256 nm (ethanol).

From the products of alkaline degradation, chromatographic behavior, and UV and IR spectroscopy [1-3], substance (I) was identified as 3,4',5-trihydroxy-7-methoxyflavone (rhamnocitrin), substance (II) as 3,4',5,7-tetrahydroxyflavone (kaempferol), and substance (III) as 3,3',4',5,7-pentahydroxyflavone (quercetin).

This is the first time that substance (I) has been isolated from the family Cruciferae.

LITERATURE CITED

- 1. Ya. K. Yatsyuk, S. S. Lyashenko, and G. M. Segal', in: Chemical Investigations in Pharmacy [in Russian], Kiev, (1970), p. 165.
- 2. B. M. Kirichenko, K. E. Koreshchuk, and G. A. Drozd, Khim. Prirodn. Soedin., 672 (1972).
- 3. V.I. Litvinenko and N.P. Maksyutina, Khim. Prirodn. Soedin., 420 (1965).

Zaporozhe Medical Institute. Translated from Khimiya Prirodnykh Soedinenii, No. 6, p. 800, November-December, 1973. Original article submitted April 3, 1973.

© 1975 Plenum Publishing Corporation, 227 West 17th Street, New York, N.Y. 10011. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted, in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, microfilming, recording or otherwise, without written permission of the publisher. A copy of this article is available from the publisher for \$15.00.