## FLAVONOIDS FROM Trifolium hybridum

AND T. ambiguum

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The results of preliminary investigations of a number of species of the genus Trifolium growing in Georgia have shown that they are rich in flavonoid substances.

From the epigeal parts of  $\underline{T}$ . hybridum L. and  $\underline{T}$ . ambiguum M. B. we extracted the flavonoids with 80% ethanol, evaporated the extracts, purified the aqueous residue with chloroform, and extracted the flavonoid compounds with ethyl acetate. The combined flavonoids were separated on a column of polyamide sorbent, which was eluted with aqueous ethanol (of increasing strength).

From T. hybridum L. we isolated quercetin (mp 308-309°C,  $\lambda_{max}$  256, 370 nm), isoquercitrin (mp 220-222°C,  $\lambda_{max}$  257, 359 nm), and populnin (mp 269-270°C,  $\lambda_{max}$  264, 363 nm); and from T. ambiguum M. B. we isolated robinin (mp 194-196°C;  $\lambda_{max}$  265, 352 nm), hyperin (mp 230-232°C,  $\lambda_{max}$  259, 359 nm), and astragalin (mp 172-173°C,  $\lambda_{max}$  265, 349 nm) [1, 2].

The substances obtained were identified on the basis of the results of a study of their physicochemical properties, paper-chromatographic behavior, UV and IR spectral analysis, and comparison with authentic samples.

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