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ALKALOIDS OF Allium odorum

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The chemical composition of the plant $Allium\ odorum\ L.$ (family Liliaceae) [1, 2] has not been studied and there is no information on the presence of alkaloids in it.

In the present communication we give the total amounts of alkaloids in A. odorum [3] collected in various regions of the Buryat ASSR in the full vegetation phase according to the collection site and the various plant organs, and also the results of the separation of the combined alkaloids:

Collection site and date	Plant organ	Total amount of alkaloids, %
Collection site and date Environs of Ulan-Ude July 26, 1975 Environs of the village of Ivolga July 18, 1976 Village of Ivolga, June 15, 1979 " July 21, 1979 " Aug. 10, 1979 Environs of the town of Gusinoozersk July 23, 1976 Environs of the village of Mukhorshibir' July 20, 1979 Environs of the village of Bilyutai	Epigeal part, Hypogeal part Epigeal part Hypogeal part Leaves Bulbs Leaves Stems Bulbs Flowers Leaves Stems Bulbs Flowers Leaves Stems Hybogeal part Hypogeal part Hypogeal part Hypogeal part Epigeal part Hypogeal part	0.18 0.05 0.14 0.06 0.08 0.10 0.22 0.10 0.05 0.15 0.07 0.04 0.09 0.16 0.05 0.16 0.05 0.11
July 25, 1982 Environs of the village of Sibir' July 24, 1982	Hypogeal part Epigeal part Hypogeal part	0.05 0.13 0.10

The amounts of alkaloids varied inconsiderably from one growth site to another. The epigeal organs (leaves, flowers, fruit) were rich in alkaloids with small amounts in the bulbs. A high amount of alkaloids was found in the middle of the vegetation period in the phase of full flowering of the plant, when its height reaches 40-50 cm.

For the epigeal and hypogeal parts of A. odorum collected on July 24, 1982 in the environs of the village of Sibir', Ulan-Ude region, Buryat ASSR, by extraction with ethanol we obtained the total alkaloids and then separated then on columns of silca gel and alumina (eluents benzene-methanol (15:1), (9:1), and (9:3)). After further separations, a base was isolated with mp 91-92°C, $C_{11}H_{14}N_{2}O$.

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