

PLANT SOURCES OF HEPATOTOXIC PYRROLIZIDINE ALKALOIDS

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There is increasing recognition that the hepatotoxic pyrrolizidine alkaloids may be of greater importance as a cause of human disease than the presently known outbreaks of poisoning would indicate. The chronic and progressive character of their effects, including carcinogenicity, (1, 2) means that in the type of hazard they present, they resemble the mycotoxins rather than the main body of alkaloids. Disease is likely to be induced in man or animals by their ingestion over long periods of time in plants or foods in which they are present at low concentrations. In the interests of public health, present knowledge of plant species containing hepatotoxic pyrrolizidine alkaloids should be diffused as widely as possible and brought particularly to the people who are most at risk. The purpose of this compilation of plant sources is to make the information more readily available to the health-oriented investigators and educators who have this task.

Plants containing pyrrolizidine alkaloids are so numerous and widespread that they can be expected to be present in most environments. The main sources are the families Boraginaceae (all genera), Compositae (tribes Senecioneae and Eupatorieae) and Leguminosae (genus *Crotalaria*), the potential number of alkaloid-containing species being as high as 6000, or 3% of the world's flowering plants (3). There have now been several reported outbreaks and occurrences of human poisoning due to these alkaloids, the largest involving more than 2000 people in Afghanistan (4-12). In these instances, the causative plants were ingested as medicinal herbs or as weed contaminants of cereal grains. The plants found to be responsible by investigators were not suspected of toxicity by the populations or individuals affected.

The early warnings by Schoental (13, 14) about the hazard of pyrrolizidine alkaloids in medicinal herbs were probably overshadowed to a large extent by the discovery of the greater and more ubiquitous hazard of the mycotoxins. However, despite advances in medicine, herbs have remained in use without systematic testing for efficacy or safety even in technically advanced countries. Several such herbs have recently been reported to contain hepatotoxic pyrrolizidine alkaloids, e.g., comfrey (*Symphytum officinale* (15, 16), Russian comfrey (*S. x uplandicum*), (17), coltsfoot (*Tussilago farfara*) (18) and petasites (*Petasites japonicus* Maxim) (19, 20). The recognition of two fatalities in the USA due to consumption of *Senecio longilobus* as a medicinal herb has led to concern about the extent of use of this herb in Mexican American communities in the USA (21). Still greater human exposure is to be expected in developing countries where traditional herbal medicines remain in substantial use and may be officially recognized as necessary for a satisfactory level of health care (22).

The increasing concern about contamination of foodstuffs with pyrrolizidine alkaloids stems from the experimental findings that at the lowest levels so far administered to animals, approximately 1-4 ppm of whole diet, chronic liver damage and tumors have been observed (23, 24). The alkaloids of *Senecio jacobaea* have been found at the level of 1-4 ppm in milk (25) and honey (26) from cows and bees which had been foraging on this species. Some species of

TABLE 1. Plants containing hepatotoxic pyrrolizidine alkaloids.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
APOCYNACEAE			
<i>Parsonsia eucalyptophylla</i> (F. Muell.)	lycopsamine	ae	28
<i>P. heterophylla</i> A. Cunn.	parsonsinine	wh	417
	heterophylline	wh	418
<i>P. spiralis</i> Wall.	spiraline	lf	418
	spiranine		
	spiracine		
<i>P. straminea</i> ((R. Br.) F. Muell.)	lycopsamine	ae	28
<i>Urechites karwinskyi</i>	loroquin	rt	29
BORAGINACEAE			
<i>Amsinckia hispida</i> (Ruiz et Pav.)	intermedine	wh	30
I. M. Johnston	lycopsamine		
	echiumine		
<i>A. intermedia</i> Fisch et C. Mey.	intermedine	wh	30
	lycopsamine		
	echiumine		
<i>A. lycopoides</i> Lehm.	sinecamidine	wh	30
	intermedine		
	lycopsamine		
	echiumine		
<i>Anchusa arvensis</i> (L.) Bieb.	echinatine (or diastereoisomer)	wh	31
	lycopsamine	wh	32
<i>A. officinalis</i> L.	7-acetyllycopsamine (or diastereoisomer)		31
	amabiline (or diastereoisomer)	wh	31
<i>Asperugo procumbens</i> L.	amabiline	wh	31
<i>Cynoglossum amabile</i> Stapf & Drummond	amabiline	wh	33, 34
	echinatine		
<i>C. australe</i> R. Br.	7-acetylechinatine	wh	35
	cynaustine	wh	33
<i>C. creticum</i>	cynaustraline		
	echinatine	ae	419
	heliosupine		
<i>C. glocidiatum</i> Wall. ex Lindl.	amabiline	wh	36
<i>C. lanceolatum</i> Forsk.	cynaustraline	wh	36
	cynaustine		
<i>C. latifolium</i> R. Br.	latifoline	ae	37
	7-angelylretronecine		
<i>C. officinale</i> L.	heliosupine	ae	38, 39, 40
	echinatine	rt, ae	41, 42
	acetylheliosupine	ae	43
<i>C. pictum</i> Ait.	7-angelylheliotridine		
	heliosupine	rt, ae	44, 45
	echinatine		
<i>C. viridiflorum</i> Pallas ex Lehm.	pictumine	ae	46
	viridiflorine	rt	47
	heliosupine		34
<i>Echium italicum</i> L.	echimidine	wh	35
<i>E. plantagineum</i> L. (<i>E. lycopsis</i> L.)	echiumine	ae	48
	echimidine		
<i>E. vulgare</i> L.	heliosupine	ae	49
	asperumine	ae	50
	lycopsamine (or diastereoisomer)	wh	31
<i>Heliotropium acutiflorum</i>	heliotrine	ae	51
<i>H. amplexicaule</i> Vahl	indicine	ae	35
<i>H. arbainense</i>	europine	ae	419
	lasiocarpine		
	heliotrine		
<i>H. arborescens</i> L. (<i>H. peruvianum</i> L.)	lasiocarpine	ae	52

TABLE 1. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>H. arguziooides</i> Kar. et Kir.....	heliotrine trichodesmine	ae	53
<i>H. curassavicum</i> Linn.....	heliotrine lasiocarpine angelylheliotridine curassavine coromandaline heliovincine trachelanthamidine	ae, rt wp	54, 55 56
<i>H. dasycarpum</i> Ledeb.....	heliotrine	ae	57
<i>H. eichwaldi</i> Steud. ex DC.....	heliotrine lasiocarpine 7-angelylheliotrine	ae, rt sd	58 54 59
<i>H. europaeum</i> L.....	heliotrine lasiocarpine europine supinine heleurine N-(dihydropyrrolizino-methyl)-heliotrine chloride acetyl lasiocarpine indicine	ae ae ae wh	60, 61 62 63 64, 65 66, 67
<i>H. indicum</i> L.....	acetyl indicine indincine echinatine supinine heleurine lasiocarpine heliotrine heliotrine lasiocarpine europine lasiocarpine heliotrine incanine	wh ae ae ae ae ae ae ae ae ae ae, rt	68 69 70 71 72 73 74 419 75 76
<i>H. lasiocarpum</i> Fisch. et Mey.....	heliotrine	sd	77
<i>H. maris mortui</i>	heliotrine	ae	78, 79
<i>H. olgae</i>	europine	ae	74
<i>H. popovii</i> H. Riedl. subsp. <i>gillianum</i> H. Riedl.	lasciocarpine	ae	80
<i>H. ramosissimum</i> (syn. <i>H. persicum</i>) <i>L.</i> , <i>H. undulatum</i> , <i>H. bacciferum</i>	heliotrine	lf	81
<i>H. rotundifolium</i>	eupropine	rt	82
<i>H. steudneri</i> Vatke.....	lycopsamine	rt	83
<i>H. supinum</i> L.....	supinine heliosupine echinatine 7-angelylheliotridine trachelanthic and viridifloric esters of 7-angelylheliotridine	wh	84
<i>H. transoxanum</i>	heliotrine	ae	85
<i>Lappula glochidiata</i>	echinatine	ae	51
<i>L. intermedia</i>	lasiocarpine	ae	84
<i>Lindelofia angustifolia</i> (Schrenk) Brand.....	echinatine amabiline	ae	85
<i>L. spectabilis</i> Lehm.....	echinatine 7-acetylechinatine	ae	62, 36
<i>L. stylosa</i> (Kar. et Kir.) Brand.....	monocrotaline viridiflorine echinatine lindelofine	ae sd	62, 63 86 75

TABLE 1. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>L. tschimganica</i>	caratagine echinatine viridiflorine	ae	87
<i>Myosotis sylvatica</i> Hoffm.....	viridiflorine 9-angelylretronecine heliosupine acetylheliosupine	wh	35
<i>Paracynoglossum imeritimum</i> Kusn. M. Pop.....	heliosupine echinatine	ae, rt	88 89, 90
<i>Rindera austroechinata</i> M. Pop.....	echinatine	lf, st, sd, rt	87
<i>R. baldschuanica</i> Kusnezov.....	rinderine echinatine	ae	91
	trachelanthamine	ae	87
<i>R. cyclodonta</i> Bge.....	turkestanine echinatine	ae	59
<i>R. echinata</i> Regel.....	echinatine	ae	92
<i>R. oblongifolia</i> M. Pop.....	trachelanthamine caratagine echinatine	ae	59 87
	turkestanine echinatine	sd, ae, rt	93
<i>Solenanthus circinnatus</i> Ledeb.....	echinatine	ae	75
<i>S. coronatus</i>	echinatine	ae	93
<i>S. karategenius</i> Lipsky.....	caratagine echinatine	ae	93
<i>S. turkestanicus</i> Regel et Smirnov.....	rinderine	ae	94
<i>Symphytum asperum</i> Lepech.....	turkestanine asperumine echinatine heliosupine	ae, rt	95, 96
	7-acetyllycopsamine (or diastereoisomer) acetylechimidine (or diastereoisomer)	wh	97 31
<i>S. caucasicum</i>	lasiocarpine asperumine echinatine	ae, rt ae, rt	95 98, 99
<i>S. officinale</i>	echimidine symphytine echimidine lasiocarpine heliosupine viridiflorine echinatine 7-acetyllycopsamine (or diastereoisomer) 7-angelylretronecine viridiflorate (or diastereoisomer) acetylechimidine (or diastereoisomer)	rt ae, rt ae, rt rt rt wh	15, 16 100 95 101 31
<i>S. orientale</i>	anadoline symphytine	wh	102, 103, 104
<i>S. tuberosum</i>	echimidine	wh	105
<i>S. x uplandicum</i> Nyman.....	anadoline symlandine echimidine 7-acetyllycopsamine 7-acetylintermedine uplandicine lycopsamine intermedine	ae	31, 17, 106

TABLE 1. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>Tournefortia sarmentosa</i> Lam.....	supinine	lf, st	107
<i>Trichodesma africana</i>	eupropine	wh	419
<i>T. incanum</i> Alph. DC.....	intermedine		
	trichodesmine	ae	108, 109
	incanine	sd, ae, rt	110, 111, 112
	supinine	sd	113
<i>T. zeylanicum</i> (Burm. f.) R. Br.....	uluganine		
<i>Ulegbekia tschimganica</i> (B. Fedtsch.) Zak.....	platyphylline	rt	114
COMPOSITAE	seneciphylline		
<i>Adenostyles alliariae</i>	platyphylline	ae	115
* <i>Adenostyles rhombifolia</i> (Willd.) M. Pimen. ssp. <i>platyphylloides</i>	seneciphylline		
<i>Brachyglossis repanda</i> Forst. et Forst.....	senecionine	ae	116
	senkirkine		
	brachyglossine		
	otosenine		
	florosenine		
	floridanine		
	floricaline		
<i>C. hastata</i> L. subsp. <i>orientalis</i> Kitamura.....	integerrimine	rt	117
<i>C. yatabei</i> Maxim.....	yamataimine	rt	118
<i>Doronicum macrophyllum</i>	otosenine	ae	119
<i>Emilia flammea</i> Cass.....	floridanine		
	doronine		
	otosenine		
	emiline		
	senecionine		
<i>E. sonchifolia</i> DC.....	senecionine	ae, rt	123, 124, 125
<i>Erechites hieracifolia</i> (L.) Raf. ex DC.....	senecionine	ae	35
<i>E. quadridentata</i> (see <i>Senecio quadridentatus</i> Labill.)	senecionine	ae	126, 127
<i>Eupatorium cannabinum</i> L.....	echinatine		
	supinine		
	echinatine		
	trachelanthamidine		
<i>E. purpureum</i>	probably echinatine	ae	128
<i>E. serotinum</i> Michx.....	supinine	ae	130
	rinderine		
<i>E. stoechadosmum</i> Hance.....	lindelofine	rt	131
	supinine		
<i>Farfugium japonicum</i>	senkirkine	rt, lf	132
<i>Ligularia brachyphylla</i> Hand.-Mazz.....	clivorine	ae	133
	ligularine		
	ligudentine		
<i>L. clivorum</i>	clivorine	ae	134
			135, 136,
<i>L. dentata</i> (A. Gray) Hara.....	clivorine	ae	137, 138
	ligularine		
	ligudentine		
	ligularidine	rt, ae	436

*Pimenov *et al.* (116) have given the name *Adenostyles rhombifolius* to the species which have previously been known as *Senecio platyphyllus*, *S. platyphylloides*, and *S. rhombifolius* (251, 208). They have divided the species into two subspecies, one of which is further divided into two chemovariants, each with different alkaloidal content. Since plant material examined in earlier publications cannot be related to the classification of Pimenov *et al.*, each alkaloidal isolation is listed under the species name by which it was originally published.

TABLE 1. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>L. elegans</i> (Cass.) (syn <i>L. macrophylla</i> (Ledeb. DC.)).....	clivorine ligularine ligudentine	ae	134
<i>Nardosmia laevigata</i> (Willd.) DC. (see <i>Petasites laevigatus</i> (Willd.) Reichenb.)			
<i>Petasites hybridus</i> (L.) P. Gaertn. <i>et al.</i>	senecionine fukinotoxin (petasitenine) neopetasitenine	lf ae	35 20, 19, 139
<i>P. japonicus</i> Maxim.....	senkirkine petasinine petasinoside platyphylline senkirkine (renardine)	st ae	140 141
<i>P. laevigatus</i> (Willd.) Reichenb.....	senecionine otosenine riddelliine	ae ae	142 143, 144
<i>Senecio aegypticus</i> L.....	senecionine jacoazine	wh	145, 146
<i>S. alpinus</i> (L.) Scop.....	seneciphylline	ae	147
<i>S. ambrosioides</i>	seneciphylline senecionine retrorsine riddelliine	wh	148
<i>S. ampullaceus</i> Hook.....	senecionine seneciphylline retrorsine integerrimine	wh	420 149, 150, 151
<i>S. antieuphorbium</i> (L.) Sch. Bip.....	senkirkine senaetnin	ae	152
<i>S. aquaticus</i> Hill.....	isosennaetnin	ae	421
<i>S. aureus</i> L.....	seneciphylline	ae	153, 154
<i>S. auricola</i> Bourg.....	senecionine	ae	155, 156
<i>S. bipinnatisectus</i> Belcher.....	neosenkirkine	ae	157
<i>S. borysthemicus</i>	retrorsine	ae, rt	158
<i>S. brasiliensis</i> DC.....	seneciphylline seneconine jacobine integerrimine	ae, rt lf	159, 160 161, 162 148, 163
<i>S. bupleuroides</i> DC.....	retrorsine	ae	164
<i>S. cannabifolius</i> Less.....	seneciphylline	ae	165
<i>S. carthamoides</i> Greene.....	senecionine seneciphylline	wh	149, 151
<i>S. chrysanthemoides</i>	seneciphylline		166
<i>S. cineraria</i> DC.....	jacobine	ae	153, 167
	senecionine	sd	168
	seneciphylline	ae	169
	otosenine	ae	170
	retrorsine	ae	171
<i>S. cruentus</i> DC.....	cruentine A		172
	cruentine B		
<i>S. cymbalariaeoides</i>	senecionine		420
<i>S. desfontainei</i> Druce.....	senecionine otosenine riddelliine	ae	173, 145
	seneciphylline	ae	146
<i>S. discolor</i> DC.....	retrorsine	lf	174
	senecionine	ae	175
<i>S. doronicum</i> L.....	otosenine bulgarsenine	wh	176

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Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>S. douglasii</i> DC.	retrorsine riddelliine seneciphylline senecionine	wh	149, 150, 151
<i>S. durieui</i> Gay.	integerrimine	wh	157
<i>S. eremophilus</i> Richards	senecionine seneciphylline retrorsine riddelliine	wh	149, 150, 151
<i>S. erraticus</i> Berthol.	senecionine otosenine floridanine	ae	177
<i>S. erraticus</i> Berthol. subsp. <i>barbaraeifolius</i> Krock	senecionine otosenine erucifoline seneciphylline integerrimine	ae	178, 179, 180
<i>S. erucifolius</i> L.	senecionine seneciphylline integerrimine senecionine seneciphylline erucifoline (base S-C)	lf ae ae ae	181 182 153 183, 180
<i>S. fluvialis</i> Wallr.	retrorsine seneciphylline otosenine florosenine	ae ae	184 185
<i>S. formosus</i>	integerrimine retrorsine	ae	186
<i>S. fremontii</i> Torr. et A. Gray	senecionine seneciphylline	wh	148
<i>S. fuchsii</i> K. C. Gmel. (see <i>S. nemorensis</i> L. ssp. <i>fuchsii</i> Gmelin)			
<i>S. glabellus</i> (Turcz.) DC.	senecionine	wh	187
<i>S. glaberrimus</i> DC.	retrorsine	ae	153
<i>S. graminifolius</i> N. J. Jacq.	retrorsine graminifoline platyphylline	ae	188
<i>S. grandifolia</i>	platyphylline seneciphylline	rt, lf, st	189
<i>S. griesbachii</i>	retrorsine	ae	190
<i>S. ilicifolius</i> Thunb.	senecionine	ae	191, 192, 188, 127
<i>S. incanus</i> L. subsp. <i>carniolicus</i> (Willd.) Br.	seneciphylline retrorsine		
<i>S. integerrimus</i> Nutt.	integerrimine senecionine platyphylline neoplatyphylline	ae ae	147 156
<i>S. isatideus</i> DC.	retrorsine	ae	420
<i>S. jacobaea</i> L.	seneciphylline senecionine jacobine jaconine jacoline jacozine otosenine	ae ae ae ae ae ae	153, 193 194, 195 196, 167 153, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202 51
<i>S. kirkii</i> Hook. f. ex Kirk	senkirkine retrorsine	ae bk, lf	184 203
<i>S. kleinia</i> Sch. Bip.	O-acetyl senkirkine integerrimine	lf st	204 205
<i>S. krylovii</i>	senkirkine seneciphylline	st ae	206 207

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Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>S. kubensis</i> Grossh.....	seneciphylline	ae	208
<i>S. lampsanoides</i>	seneciphylline	ae, rt	209, 210
<i>S. latifolius</i> DC.....	retrorsine	ae	211, 212
	seneciphylline	ae	213
<i>S. laetus</i> Forst. f.....	platiphylline		
<i>S. longilobus</i> Benth.....	senecionine	wh	35
	seneciphylline	wh	156, 214, 150
	retrorsine		151
	riddelliine		149
<i>S. magnificus</i> F. Muell.....	senecionine	ae	215
	integerimine		216
<i>S. minimus</i> Poir.....	seneciphylline	ae	158
<i>S. morrisonensis</i> Hayata.....	integerimine	wh	217
<i>S. nebrodensis</i> L. var. <i>sicula</i>	integerimine	wh	218
	senecionine		
<i>S. nemorensis</i> L. var <i>bulgaricus</i> (Vel Stoj. et Stef.).....	bulgarsenine	lf	219
	retroisosenine		
	nemorensine		
<i>S. nemorensis</i> L. var <i>subdecurrens</i> Griseb.....	nemorensine	ae	371
	retroisosenine	rt	422
	bulgarsenine		
<i>S. nemorensis</i> L. ssp. <i>fuchsii</i> Gmelin.....	fuchsisenecionine	ae	362, 363, 364, 365
	senecionine		423
<i>S. othonnae</i> Bieb.....	otosenine	ae	220
	onetine	rt	221
	seneciphylline		
	floridanine	ae, rt	222
	doronine	ae	223
<i>S. othonniformis</i> Fourcade.....	bisline	ae	224, 225
	isoline		
<i>S. palmatus</i> Pall.....	seneciphylline	rt	226
<i>S. paludosus</i> L.....	seneciphylline	rt, ae	153, 227, 228
	jacobine		
<i>S. pampeanus</i>	senecionine	ae	229
<i>S. paucicalyculatus</i> (Platt.).....	paneicaline	wh	230
	retrorsine		
<i>S. paucifolius</i> S. G. Gmel.....	seneciphylline		231
<i>S. petasitis</i> DC.....	senecionine	lf	146
	probably bisline	ae	232
^a <i>S. platyphylloides</i> Somm. et Lev....	platiphylline	rt	233, 234, 235
	seneciphylline		
^a <i>S. platyphyllus</i> (Bieb.) DC.	platiphylline	rt, ae	236, 237, 238
	seneciphylline	lf	239
	neoplatiphylline	rt	240, 241
	sarracine	rt	242
<i>S. pojarkovae</i>	sarracine	rt	243
	seneciphylline		
<i>S. procerus</i> L. var. <i>procerus</i> Stoj. Stef. et Kit.....	senkirine	ae, rt	244
	procerine		
<i>S. propinquus</i> Ait.....	seneciphylline	ae, rt	209, 245
<i>S. pseudo-arnica</i> Less.....	senecionine	ae	156
<i>S. pterophorus</i> DC.....	senecionine	ae	192, 188, 127
	seneciphylline		
	retrorsine	ae	246
	rosmarinine		
	acetyl seneciphylline		
	pterophorin	ae	424

^aSee footnote on page 133.

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Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>S. quadridentatus</i> Labill.	senecionine seneciphylline retrorsine	ae	247
<i>S. racemosus</i>	seneciphylline	rt	248
<i>S. renardii</i> Winkl.	seneciphylline senkirkine (renardine) otosenine	ae	249, 250
<i>S. retrorsus</i> DC.	retrorsine	ae	194, 193
^a <i>S. rhombifolius</i> (Willd.) Sch. Bip.	sarracine platyphylline neoplatyphylline seneciphylline riddelliine	rt ae, rt	251, 233 208
<i>S. riddellii</i> Torr. et A. Gray	riddelliine	ae	156
<i>S. riddellii</i> Torr. et A. Gray var. <i>parksii</i> (Cory)	wh		252, 253
<i>S. rivularis</i> DC.	retrorsine riddelliine 7-angelylheliotridine (rivularine)	ae	149 182, 135
<i>S. ruderalis</i> Harvey	retrorsine	ae	254
<i>S. ruwenzoriensis</i> S. Moore	ruwenine	wh	255
<i>S. scandens</i>	ruzorine		
<i>S. sceleratus</i> Schweickerdt	senecionine seneciphylline retrorsine sceleratine chlorodeoxysceleratine	ae	257, 258, 259 260 261
<i>S. spartioides</i> Torr. et A. Gray	seneciphylline spartioidine senecionine retrorsine riddelliine	ae	156, 262 420
<i>S. spathulatus</i> A. Rich.	senecionine integerrimine	ae, rt	263 158
<i>S. squalidus</i> L.	seneciphylline senecionine integerrimine	ae	153, 264, 265 205
<i>S. stenocephalus</i> Maxim.	seneciphylline	ae	266
<i>S. subalpinus</i> C. Koch	senecionine	lf	267
<i>S. swaziensis</i> Compton	seneciphylline retrorsine swazine	ae	147 268, 269, 270
<i>S. tomentosus</i>	senecionine otosenine (tomentosine)	ae	271, 179
<i>S. triangularis</i> Hook.	senecionine	ae	272
<i>S. uintahensis</i>	senecionine		420
<i>S. venosus</i> Harvey	senkirkine	ae	153
<i>S. vernalis</i> Waldst. et Kit.	retrorsine senecionine senkirkine retrorsine senecivernine		273, 274
<i>S. viscosus</i> L.	senecionine integerrimine	ae	264, 153 182
<i>S. vulgaris</i> L.	senecionine seneciphylline retrorsine	ae ae ae	275, 264, 153 155, 276, 277
<i>S. werneriaeefolius</i>	riddelliine senecionine retrorsine		420 420

^aSee footnote on page 133.

TABLE 1. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>Syneilesis palmata</i> Maxim.....	syneilesine acetyl syneilesine senecionine senkirkine	ae, rt	278, 279
<i>Tussilago farfara</i> L.....		fl, lf	18, 425
LEGUMINOSAE			
<i>Crotalaria aegyptica</i> Benth.....	monocrotaline crosemerpine 7β -hydroxy-1-methylene- β -pyrrolizidine	ae	419
<i>C. agatiflora</i> Schweinf.....	madurensine anacrotine 7-acetyl madurensine 6-acetyl lanacrotine 7-acetyl- <i>cis</i> -madurensine 6-acetyl- <i>trans</i> -anacrotine crotaflorine 6-angelyl- <i>trans</i> -anacrotine	ae	426 280 281
<i>C. anagyroides</i> Humb. et al.....	1-methylenepyrrolizidine	sd	282, 283
	senecionine	sd	284
	anacrotine	sd	280
<i>C. assamica</i> Benth.....	monocrotaline		285, 286
<i>C. axillaris</i> Ait.....	axillarine axillaridine	sd	287, 288
<i>C. barbata</i> R. Graham ex Wight et Walk.-Arn.....	crobarbatine	sd	289
<i>C. brevifolia</i>	integerimine	sd	290
	usaramine	sd	291
<i>C. burkhia</i> Buch.-Ham.....	crotalarine (croburhine) monocrotaline	ae	292, 293
<i>C. crassipes</i> Hook. (see <i>C. novae-</i> <i>hollandiae</i> DC. subsp. <i>novae-</i> <i>hollandiae</i>)			
<i>C. crispata</i> F. Muell. ex Benth.....	monocrotaline fulvine crispatine dicrotaline	wh	294
	fulvine		
<i>C. dura</i> J. M. Wood et Evans.....	dicrotaline	ae	295, 296
<i>C. fulva</i> Roxb.....	fulvine	ae	297
<i>C. globifera</i> E. Mey.....	dicrotaline	ae	295, 296
<i>C. grahamiana</i> R. Wight et Walk.- Arn.....	monocrotaline grahamine monocrotalinine	sd	298
	grantianine	sd	299
	grantaline	wh	300
<i>C. grantiana</i> Harvey.....	1-hydroxymethyl- $1\beta,2\beta$ - epoxy pyrrolizidine	sd	301, 259
	integerimine	sd	35
<i>C. incana</i> L.....	anacrotine usaramine	sd	187
	integerimine	ae	302
<i>C. intermedia</i> Kotschy.....	usaramine	sd	303
	integerimine	sd	304
<i>C. juncea</i> L.....	senecionine seneciphylline riddelline trichodesmine junceine	sd	305, 306, 307
<i>C. laburnifolia</i> L.....	anacrotine (crotalaburnine)	sd	308, 309, 310, 291, 311
<i>C. laburnifolia</i> L. subsp. <i>eldomae</i>	1-methylenepyrrolizidine madurensine anacrotine senkirkine hydroxysenkirkine crotafoline	sd ae	35 312

TABLE 1. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>C. lechnaultii</i>	monocrotaline crispatine	sd	313
<i>C. leiloba</i> Barth. (syn. <i>C. ferruginea</i> Wall.).....	monocrotaline	sd	314
<i>C. madurensis</i> R. Wight.....	madurensine crispatine fulvine cromadurine isocromadurine	sd sd ae	280 315
<i>C. mitchellii</i> Benth.....	monocrotaline retusamine	sd sd wh	62, 316 317 318
<i>C. mucronata</i> Desv. (see <i>C. pallida</i> Ait.)			
<i>C. mysorensis</i> Roth.....	monocrotaline	sd	319
<i>C. nana</i> Burm.....	crotananine cronaburmine	sd	320 427
<i>C. novae-hollandiae</i> DC. subsp. <i>lasiophylla</i> (Benth) A. Lee.....	monocrotaline retusamine	wh	318
<i>C. novae-hollandiae</i> DC. subsp. <i>novae-hollandiae</i>	retusamine	sd	318
<i>C. pallida</i> Ait. (syn. <i>C. mucronata</i> Desv., <i>C. striata</i> DC.).....	usaramine integerrimine mucronatine (usaramine?) nilgirine crotastriatine fulvine	sd	291, 35 321
<i>C. paniculata</i> Willd.....	monocrotaline	sd	323, 324
<i>C. quinquefolia</i> L.....	monocrotaline	sd	35
<i>C. recta</i> Steud. ex A. Rich.....	monocrotaline trichodesmine	ae	326
<i>C. retusa</i> L.....	monocrotaline retusine retusamine retronecine	sd sd, ae	327 328
<i>C. rubiginosa</i> Willd. (<i>C. wightiana</i> R. Graham ex R. Wight et Walk.-Arn.).....	junceine trichodesmine	sd	329
<i>C. sagittalis</i> L.....	monocrotaline	sd	330
<i>C. semperflorens</i> Vent.....	crosemerpine	sd	331
<i>C. sericea</i> Retz.....	monocrotaline spectabiline	sd	332, 333
<i>C. spartioides</i> DC.....	retrorsine	ae	334
<i>C. spectabilis</i> Roth.....	monocrotaline spectabiline	sd sd, wh	335, 327 336
<i>C. stipularia</i> Desv.....	retusine	sd	35
<i>C. tetragona</i> Roxb.....	monocrotaline integerrimine trichodesmine	sd	314 314
<i>C. usaramoensis</i> E. G. Baker.....	integerrimine usaramine senecionine retrorsine	sd sd	187 337
<i>C. verrucosa</i> L.....	1-methylenepyrrolizidine anacrotine crotaverrine	sd sd	35 338 339
<i>C. walkeri</i> Arnott	acetylcrotaverrine	sd	340
<i>C. sp. aff. mitchellii</i>	crotaverrine acetylcrotaverrine retusamine	wh	318

TABLE 1. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
RANUNCULACEAE			
<i>Caltha biflora</i>	senecionine	ae	341
<i>C. leptosepala</i>	senecionine	ae, rt	341
SCROPHULARIACEAE			
<i>Castilleja rhexifolia</i> Rydb.....	senecionine		342

Abbreviations: wh = whole plant bk = bark
 ae = above ground parts of plant lf = leaf
 rt = root fl = flower
 st = stem sd = seed

TABLE 2. Plants with known alkaloids which are non-hepatotoxic aminoalcohols and esters.

(a) In families in which hepatotoxic alkaloids occur.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
APOCYNACEAE			
<i>Alafia multiflora</i>	alafine	sd	343
<i>Anodendron affine</i> Druce.....	allanodendrin anodendrin	ae	344, 345
BORAGINACEAE			
<i>Caccinea glauca</i> Savi.....	7,9-dibenzoylretronecine	fl	346
<i>Heliotropium strigosum</i> Willd.....	strigosine trachelanthamidine	ae	347
<i>Lindelofia macrostyla</i> (Bunge) M. Pop. (syn. <i>Lindelofia anchusoides</i> , <i>Paracaryum heliocarpum</i> Kern.).....	lindelofine lindelofamine quaternary chloride, $C_{17}H_{33}NO_2Cl$	ae lf	348 349
<i>L. olgae</i> (Regel et Smirnov) Brand.....	viridiflorine	ae	94
<i>L. pterocarpa</i> (Rupr.) M. Pop.....	viridiflorine	ae	93
<i>Macrotomia echooides</i> Boiss.....	macrotomine	ae	350
<i>Paracaryum himalayense</i> (Klotsch) C. B. Clark.....	viridiflorine	ae	93
<i>Tournefortia sibirica</i> L.....	turneforceine	ae	351
<i>Trachelanthus hisoricus</i> Lipsky.....	viridiflorine trachelanthamine	lf	352
<i>T. korolkovii</i> (Lipsky) B. Fedtsch.....	trachelanthamine	ae	353, 354, 355, 94
CELASTRACEAE			
<i>Bhesa archboldiana</i> (Merr. & Perry) Hou (syn. <i>Kurrimia archboldiana</i> (Merr. & Perry)).....	9-angelylretronecine	bk	356
COMPOSITAE			
* <i>Adenostyles rhombifolia</i> (Willd.) M. Pimen. ssp. <i>rhombifolia</i> chemovar <i>sarracinifera</i>	sarracine	ae	116
* <i>Adenostyles rhombifolia</i> (Willd.) M. Pimen ssp. <i>rhombifolia</i> chemovar. <i>platyphyllinifera</i>	platyphylline	ae	116

*See footnote on page 133.

TABLE 2. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>Cacalia hastata</i> L.	hastacine	rt	357, 241
<i>C. robusta</i>	hastacine		358
<i>Kleinia kleiniioides</i> (Sch. Bip.) M. R. F. Taylor	isosenaeetnin 12,18-dehydroiso-senaetnin	ae	428
<i>Notonia petraea</i> R. E.	senaetnin	ae	429
<i>Senecio adnatus</i> DC. (see <i>S. hygrophylloides</i>)			
<i>S. aetnensis</i> Jan.	senaetnin	ae, rt	430
<i>S. amphibolus</i>	macrophylline	ae	359
<i>S. angulatus</i> L.	angularine	wh	360
<i>S. aronicoides</i>	rosmarinine		420
<i>S. aucheri</i> DC.	hygrophylline	ae	431
	senaetnin		
<i>S. brachypodus</i> DC.	transsenaetnin		
<i>S. cissampelinus</i> (DC.) Sch. Bip.	pterophorin	ae, rt	361
	rosmarinine	ae, rt	424
<i>S. francheti</i> Winkl.	senampelin A		
	senampelin B		
	senampelin C		
	senampelin D		
	sarracine	ae	352
	franchetine		
<i>S. hygrophylloides</i> R. A. Dyer et C. A. Smith	platyphylline	ae	366, 361
	rosmarinine		367
<i>S. inaequidens</i> DC.	hygrophylline	rt	430
	iaequididenin		
	pterophorin		
<i>S. longiflorus</i>	senaetnin	rt	431
<i>S. macrophyllus</i> Bieb.	macrophylline	ae	368
<i>S. mikunioides</i> Otto. ex Walp.	sarracine	ae	155, 369, 370
	senampelin C	ae	431
	senampelin D		
	senampelin E		
	senampelin F		
	senampelin G		
<i>S. nemorensis</i> L. ssp. <i>Jaqquinianus</i> (Rehb.) Durand	nomorensine	ae	371
<i>S. nemorensis</i> L. ssp. <i>fuchsii</i> var <i>nova</i> (Zlatnik)	nomorensine	ae	371
<i>S. pauciligulatus</i> Dyer et Sm.	rosmarinine	ae	361
<i>S. pubigerus</i> L.	senaetnin	ae	432
<i>S. pulimiformis</i> Hieron.	pterophorin	ae	433
	isopterophorin		
<i>S. rosmarinifolius</i> L.	rosmarinine	ae	191, 192, 188
<i>S. sagittus</i> (see <i>Cacalia hastata</i>)			
<i>S. sarracenioides</i> L.	sarracine	ae	153, 372, 373
<i>S. schweitzeri</i> Korsh.	macrophylline	ae	231
<i>S. sylvaticus</i> L.	silvasenecine	ae	362, 153
	sarracine		374
<i>S. taiwanensis</i> Hayata	rosmarinine	ae	217
<i>S. tournefortii</i> Lap.	platyphylline	ae	375
LEGUMINOSAE			
<i>Crotalaria albida</i> Heyne ex Roth. (syn. <i>C. montana</i> Roxb.)	croalbidine	ae	376, 377
<i>C. aridicola</i> Domin.	1-methoxymethyl-1,2-dehydropyrrolizidine, β -hydroxy-1-methoxy-methyl-1,2-dehydro-pyrrolizidine β -acetoxyl-1-methoxy-methyl-1,2-dehydro-pyrrolizidine	ae	378
		wh	379

TABLE 2. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>C. candicans</i> W. and A.	crocandine isocrocandine	sd	380
<i>C. damarensis</i> Engl.	1-methylenepyrrolizidine	wh, sd	381, 283
<i>C. goreensis</i> Guillem et Perrott.	7β-hydroxy-1-methylen- 8β-pyrrolizidine, 7β-hydroxy-1-methylen- 8α-pyrrolizidine, base C ₁₈ H ₁₈ ON	ae, sd	382
<i>C. grandistipulata</i> Harms.	1-methylenepyrrolizidine	sd	434
<i>C. lachnophora</i> A. Rich.	1-methylenepyrrolizidine	sd	434
<i>C. maypurensis</i> Humb. et al.	7β-hydroxy-1-methylen- 8β-pyrrolizidine 7β-hydroxy-1-methylen- 8α-pyrrolizidine	ae, sd	383
<i>C. medicaginea</i> Lamk.	1-methoxymethyl-1,2-dehydro-8α-pyrrolizidine 7β-hydroxy-1-methoxy- methyl-1,2-dehydro- 8α-pyrrolizidine 1α-methoxymethyl-1β,2β- epoxy-8α-pyrrolizidine	wh, sd	378
	7α-hydroxy-1-methoxy- methyl-1,2-dehydro- 8α-pyrrolizidine	wh, sd	384
	1-hydroxymethyl-1β,2β- epoxy-8α-pyrrolizidine	sd	385, 386
<i>C. natalitia</i> Meissn.	1-methylenepyrrolizidine	sd	434
<i>C. podocarpa</i> DC.	7β-hydroxy-1-methylen- 8β-pyrrolizidine	sd	435
<i>C. rhodesiae</i>	1-methylenepyrrolizidine	sd	35
<i>C. stoltzii</i> (Baf. F.) Milne Redh.	1-methylenepyrrolizidine	sd	434
<i>C. trifoliastrum</i> Willd. (see <i>C. medicaginea</i> Lamk.)			
<i>Cytisus laburnum</i> L.	laburnine 1-hydroxymethyl-7-hydroxypyrrrolizidine laburnamine	sd	387, 388, 389 390

(b) In families in which hepatotoxic alkaloids are unknown.

ORCHIDACEAE			
<i>Chysis bractescens</i> Lindl.	1α-methoxycarbonyl-8β-pyrrolizidine 1α-ethoxycarbonyl-8β-pyrrolizidine	wh	391, 392
<i>Doritis pulcherrima</i> (syn. <i>Phalaenopsis esmeralda</i>)	phalaenopsine La or T	wh	393
<i>Hammarbya paludosa</i> L.	paludosine	wh	394
<i>Kingiella taenialis</i> (Lindl.) Rolfe.	hammarbine	wh	395
<i>Liparis auriculata</i> (Blume).	phalaenopsine La	wh	396
<i>L. bicallosa</i> Schltr.	auriculine	wh	397
<i>L. hachijoensis</i> Nakai.	laburnine	wh	397
<i>L. keitaoensis</i> Hay.	malaxine	wh	398, 399
<i>L. kumokiri</i> F. Maekawa.	keitaoinine	wh	397
<i>L. kramerii</i> French. et Sav.	kumokirine	wh	400, 398
	kuramerine	wh	400, 398, 399

TABLE 2. Continued.

Plant	Constituent Alkaloids	Plant Part	Ref.
<i>L. loeselii</i> (L.) L. E. Rich.....	auriculine	wh	394
<i>L. nervosa</i> Lindl.....	nervosine	wh	398, 401
<i>Malaxis congesta</i> comb. nov. (Rehb. f.).....	malaxin	wh	402
<i>M. grandifolia</i> Sehltr.....	grandifoline	wh	403
<i>Phalaenopsis amabilis</i> Bl.....	phalaenopsine T	wh	404, 405, 393
<i>P. amboinensis</i>	phalaenopsine La	wh	393
<i>P. aphrodite</i>	phalaenopsine T	wh	393
<i>P. cornu-cervi</i> Rehb. f.....	cornucervine	wh	406, 393
<i>P. equistris</i> Rehb. f.....	phalaenopsine Is	wh	393
<i>P. fimbriata</i>	phalaenopsine T	wh	393
<i>P. hieroglyphica</i>	phalaenopsine La or T	wh	393
<i>P. lueddemanniana</i>	phalaenopsine La or T	wh	393
<i>P. manni</i> Rehb. f.....	phalaenopsine La	wh	393
<i>P. sanderiana</i> Rehb. f.....	phalaenopsine La	wh	393
<i>P. schilleriana</i>	phalaenopsine T	wh	393
<i>P. stuartiana</i> Rehb. f.....	phalaenopsine La	wh	393
<i>P. sumatrana</i>	phalaenopsine T	wh	393
<i>P. violacea</i>	phalaenopsine La or T	wh	393
<i>Vanda cristata</i> Lindl.....	laburnine acetate	wh	407
<i>V. helvolia</i> Bl.....	laburnine	wh	408
<i>V. hindsii</i> Lindl.....	laburnine acetate	wh	408
<i>V. luzonica</i> Loher.....	laburnine acetate (or lindelofidine acetate)	wh	408
<i>Vandopsis gigantea</i> Pfitz.....	laburnine	wh	408
	lindelofidine		
	laburnine acetate		
	lindelofidine acetate		
<i>V. lissochiloides</i> Pfitz.....	laburnine	wh	408
	lindelofidine		
	laburnine acetate		
	lindelofidine acetate		
RHIZOPHORACEAE			
<i>Cassipourea gummiflua</i> Tulasne var. <i>verticillata</i> Lewis.....	cassipourine	st, lf bk	409 410
SANTALACEAE			
<i>Thesium minkwitzianum</i> B. Fedtsch....	thesine	ae	411
	thesinine		412, 413
	thesinicine		
	isoretronecanol	rt	
SAPOTACEAE			
<i>Mimusops elengi</i> L.....	1-hydroxymethyl-pyr- rolizidine tiglate		414
<i>Planchonella anteridifera</i> (C. T. White et W. D. Francis) H. J. Lamb.....	planchonelline	lf	415
	laburnine angelate		
<i>P. thyrosoidea</i> C. T. White ex F. S. Walker.....	planchonelline	lf	415
	laburnine tiglate		
	laburnine benzoate		
<i>Planchonella</i> sp. (NGF 24744).....	(-)-isoretronecyl <i>trans</i> - β -methyl thioacrylate	lf	416
	(-)-isoretronecyl tiglate		

Abbreviations:

wh = whole plant
 ae = above ground parts of plant
 rt = root
 st = stem

bk = bark
 lf = leaf
 fl = flower
 sd = seed

Boraginaceae are well known as honey sources and honey derived from *Echium plantagineum*, for example, has recently been shown to contain up to 1 ppm alkaloid (Culvenor *et al.*, unpublished data). There are probably many regions in the world where the degree of surveillance is inadequate to ensure that cereal grains are not occasionally contaminated with alkaloid at this and higher levels.

The main table, table 1, lists the species known to contain alkaloids of demonstrated hepatotoxicity or of a structural type which makes them very probably hepatotoxic (27). The ingestion of these plant species, in any form, should be avoided or minimized as far as possible. The supplementary list, table 2, is of species whose known alkaloids do not have all the features needed for hepatotoxicity but are pyrrolizidine aminoalcohols or esters needing only minor modification to be in the hepatotoxic category. The species in table 2a are also in the same genera or taxonomic groups as hepatotoxic species and there is a possibility that hepatotoxic alkaloids will be found on further examination, as minor constituents, in strains or plant parts not yet investigated, or under specific conditions of growth. Table 2a includes several species for which the only pyrrolizidine derivatives yet isolated are acylpyrroles, which are 5-oxo- derivatives of the toxic metabolites of hepatotoxic alkaloids. Tables 1 and 2a also include 3 species (*Senecio antieuphorbium*, *S. pterophorus* and *S. mikanioides*) in which acylpyrroles and pyrrolizidine alkaloids are known to co-occur. Thus the species in table 2a are not entirely free of suspicion.

The species in table 2b are in families, notably the Orchidaceae, to which no suspicion of hepatotoxicity has attached and which, we believe, may still be regarded as free of suspicion of chronic pyrrolizidine alkaloid toxicity.

The species for which there is information available at present are few in relation to the total number of species in the genera concerned. It would be prudent to regard all species in the family Boraginaceae and the genera *Crotalaria*, *Eupatorium*, *Senecio* and other related genera of the tribe Senecioneae as potentially hepatotoxic if they have not yet been investigated.

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