

FILICINAE  
GYMNOGRAMMACEAE  
FLAVONOLS FROM THE FRONDS OF *PITYROGRAMMA CHRYSOCONICA*

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*Plant.* *Pityrogramma chrysoconica* (Desv.) Maxon ex Domin, 1928 *Occurrence* South America. *Previous work.* Dihydrochalcones from *P. chrysophylla*, var. *marginata*,<sup>1</sup> chalcones from *P. chrysophylla* var. *heyderi*,<sup>2</sup> flavonols from *Cheilanthes farinosa*<sup>3,4</sup>

*Farina.* Dried fronds were rinsed with cold acetone. The solution was evaporated, the residue chromatographed on polyamide (benzene/increasing quantities of MeCOEt and MeOH)

*Flavonols* Galangin (3,5,7-trihydroxyflavone)-C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, M<sup>+</sup>, *m/e* 270, significant peaks at *m/e* 241, 213, 197, 179, 168, 153, 139, 121, 105. Orange-yellow spot on polyamide-layer in UV light, fluorescent after spraying with ZrOCl<sub>2</sub>, UV max at 268, 360 (EtOH); 275, 416 (AlCl<sub>3</sub>), identical to authentic specimen.

Izalpinin (3,5-dihydroxy-7-methoxyflavone)-C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, M<sup>+</sup>, *m/e* 284, significant peaks at 255, 241, 213, 197, 167, 151, 143, 123, 105. Yellow spot on polyamide-layer in UV light, fluorescent after spraying with ZrOCl<sub>2</sub>, UV max at 268, 359 (EtOH), 277, 414 (AlCl<sub>3</sub>) Identical to authentic specimen

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ANTICOPALIC ACID IN *PINUS STROBUS* AND *P. MONTICOLA*

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*Plant* *Pinus strobus* L (Eastern white pine). *Uses* Timber Pulp *Source* West Virginia and several Wisconsin locations. *Previous work* Wood resin <sup>1,2</sup> Cortex oleoresin <sup>2,3</sup>

*Needles* Needle samples were cut into small pieces (> 1 cm) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The extract was methylated (CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>) and analysed by GLC using DEGS <sup>4</sup> The peak eluting at  $r_{\text{pim}} = 1.45$  was collected, this peak can be either anticopalate, isopimarate, or a mixture of the two, since they have the same retention times <sup>6</sup> After passing the collected eluant through alumina in pentane and evaporation of the solvent, an IR spectrum (CCl<sub>4</sub>) was obtained. The amount of anticopalate present in the mixture can be estimated from the ratio of absorbance at 1730 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=O) absorbance at 1650–1640 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C stretching) by a calibration curve. This procedure showed that anticopallic acid comprises 61–96 per cent of the total resin acids. <sup>5</sup>

*Cortex oleoresin* No anticopallic acid was found <sup>5</sup>

*Wood* Shavings of sapwood from mature trees were extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O and the resulting extract methylated. Anticopallic acid represented 14–19 per cent of the resin acids as analysed by the above procedure.

*Plant* *Pinus monticola* Dougl (Western white pine) *Uses* Timber Pulp *Source*. Lolo National Forest, Montana. *Previous work* Bark <sup>6</sup> Wood <sup>6,7</sup>

*Needles* No anticopallic acid was found <sup>5</sup>

*Cortex oleoresin* No anticopallic acid was found <sup>5</sup>

*Wood* Anticopallic acid was previously reported <sup>6</sup> as 55 per cent of the resin acids

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## NEW C-METHYLFLAVANONES FROM DOUGLAS-FIR\*

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