

*MeCOEt extract.* Chrysin-7-rutinoside, yield, 0.4%, m.p. 248–250°,  $\lambda_{\max}$  (EtOH) 269, 308 nm,  $\lambda_{\min}$  235 nm,  $\lambda_{\text{AlCl}_3}$  281, 322, 382 nm, no shift with NaOAc in either band, IR (KBr) 3465, 2920, 1658, 1610, 1590, 1495, 1455, 1250, 769, 680, 665  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $R_f$ —Table 1, acetate, m.p. 247–250° (EtOH), glycoside sparingly soluble in usual organic solvents, soluble in pyridine. On boiling with 10%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  in HOAc for 4 hr, hydrolysed to chrysin ( $R_f$ , Table 1, co-chromatography with authentic sample, acetate, m.p. 192–194°) and glucose and rhamnose ( $R_f$  and co-chromatography) in equal proportions. Further, on partial hydrolysis (N HCl, 100°, 5 min), chrysin-7-glucoside ( $R_f$ —Table 1) and rhamnose were obtained.

*EtOAc extract* Chrysin-7-rutinoside identified (PC)

*Comment* This is the first report of chrysin-7-rutinoside; chrysin and its glucuronide are known to occur in *Oroxylum indicum*<sup>2</sup> and *Scutellaria*<sup>3</sup> of the same family

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## FLAVONOIDS OF THE LEAVES OF *OROXYLUM INDICUM* AND *PAJANELIA LONGIFOLIA*

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*Plant* *Oroxylum indicum* Vent.<sup>1</sup> *Uses* Medicinal.<sup>1</sup> *Previous work* Chrysin, baicalein and oroxylin-A from the bark of stem and root,<sup>1</sup> baicalein-7-glucoside from seeds.<sup>1</sup>

*Present work* Fresh leaves extracted with hot 80% alcohol and the aq. concentrate fractionated into petrol, ether, EtOAc soluble fractions and the aq. mother liquor.

*Ether fraction.* Baicalein and scutellarein ( $R_f$ , colour reactions, co-chromatography with authentic samples).

*EtOAc fraction.* Flavone glycoside—0.1%, yellow needles (MeOH), m.p. 198–200°,  $\lambda_{\max}$  (EtOH) 215, 281, 332 nm, (NaOAc) 281, 330 nm and (AlCl<sub>3</sub>) 292, 349 nm. IR bands at

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3380, 2920, 1730, 1660, 1608, 1575, 1495, 1440 sh, 1465, 1400, 1355, 1285 sh, 1245, 1220, 1195, 1160, 1145, 1095, 1065, 1040, 910, 895, 840, 810, 735 and 715  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ —dull yellow,  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ —green colour, hydrolysed when refluxed with 10%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  in HOAc medium for 5 hr to yield baicalein and glucuronic acid in equal amount. The m.p., solubility and  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  of the glycoside were different from those of baicalein-7-glucuronide (245, 279 and 314 nm), though their PC behaviour was similar. In analogy with the occurrence of baicalein-6-methyl ether in the bark and 6-glucoside in the seeds of *O. indicum*,<sup>1</sup> and on the basis of spectral data,<sup>2</sup> the glycoside was identified as baicalein-6-glucuronide. The difference in the UV absorption of the aglycone and glycoside and the absence of the shift with NaOAc as in the case of dinatin<sup>3</sup> (6-methoxyapigenin) and nepetin<sup>4</sup> (6-methoxyluteolin) support our identification.

**Aqueous mother liquor.** Yellow crystalline glucuronides (1.5%) on addition of acetone and keeping in the ice chest; more on addition of dil.  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  to a concentration of 7% and heating on a water bath for 10 min. The mixture fractionated by preparative PC as well as fractional crystallization of the mixture of acetates (EtOAc). Scutellarein-7-glucuronide (scutellarin), m.p.  $> 320^\circ$  (sintering  $195^\circ$ ),  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{30} -138^\circ$  (0.05, py),  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (EtOH) 286, 338 nm with practically no shift with NaOAc (Band II) and +27 nm with  $\text{AlCl}_3$  (Band I), acetyl derivative, m.p.  $205\text{--}206^\circ$ , hydrolysis with 10%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  (HOAc med.) and by  $\beta$ -glucuronidase yielded scutellarein and glucuronic acid. Confirmed by direct comparison with an authentic sample of scutellarin from *Millingtonia hortensis*.<sup>5</sup> Baicalein-7-glucuronide (baicalin), m.p.  $220\text{--}222^\circ$ ,  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28} -140^\circ$ , acetyl derivative, m.p.  $251\text{--}252^\circ$ , baicalein and glucuronic acid by acid and enzymatic hydrolysis.

**Plant.** *Pajanelia longifolia* K. Schum.<sup>1</sup> (syn. *P. rheedu* Wight, *P. multijuga* DC) *Uses* Medicinal.<sup>1</sup> *Previous work* Pajanelin and *p*-hydroxycinnamic acid from stem and root bark.<sup>6</sup>

**Present work.** Leaves. *Ether.* Quercetin and kaempferol. EtOAc. Quercetin and kaempferol-3-sophorosides ( $R_f$ , products of acid hydrolysis and co-chromatography with authentic samples from *Petunia hybrida*<sup>7</sup>). *Aqueous mother liquor.* Dihydrokaempferol-7-glucoside ( $R_f$ ).

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