Cytostatic Activity of Some Phenolic Acids of Scrophularia frutescens L. var. frutescens

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The cytostatic activity of seven phenolic acids: coumaric, caffeic, ferulic, gentisic, protocatechuic, syringic and isovanillic acid previously isolated from *Scrophularia frutescens* has been evaluated against Hep-2 cells (derived from a human epidermoid carcinoma of the larynx) and McCoy cells (derived from the synovial fluid in the knee joint of a patient suffering from degenerative arthritis). The compounds belonging to the cinnamic group present the highest activity.

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