Iridoid Patterns of Genus Plantago L. and Their Systematic Significance

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The distribution of 14 iridoid glucosides in 14 Plantago L. species (44 samples corresponding to 18 taxa) was shown. P. tenuiflora and P. gentianoides were studied for iridoids for the

ing to 18 taxa) was shown. *P. tenuiflora* and *P. gentianoides* were studied for iridoids for the first time. The iridoid patterns showed a good correlation with morphological and other chemical features of the representatives of genus *Plantago*. The studied species are grouped together according to the iridoid patterns: species containing mainly aucubin (*P. major*, *P. cornuti*, *P. gentianoides*); species containing aucubin and aucubin derivatives (*P. subulata*, *P. media*); species containing aucubin and catalpol (*P. lanceolata*, *P. altissima*, *P. argentea*,

P. lagopus, P. atrata); species containing aucubin and plantarenaloside (P. afra, P. scabra).