Sesquiterpenes and Flavonoid Aglycones from a Hungarian Taxon of the Achillea millefolium Group

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and compared with data of the literature.

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Achillea, Sesquiterpenes, Flavonoids The investigation of a dichloromethane extract of flower heads of a Hungarian taxon of the Achillea millefolium group led to the isolation of three flavonoid aglycones, one triterpene, one germacranolide and five guaianolides. Their structures were elucidated by UV-VIS, EI- and CI-MS, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectroscopic methods as well as by 2D-NMR studies and by selective 1D-NOE experiments. Besides apigenin, luteolin and centaureidin, β-sitosterol, 3β-hydroxy-11α,13-dihydro-costunolide, desacetylmatricarin, leucodin, achillin, 8α-angeloxy-leucodin and 8α-angeloxy-achillin were isolated. Both latter substances are reported here for the first time. Their NMR data were compared with those of the other

guaianolides. The stereochemistry of 3β-hydroxy-11α,13-dihydro-costunolide was discussed