

Chemical Composition of the Essential Oil of *Elephantopus scaber* from Southern China

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The essential oil of *Elephantopus scaber*, a famous medicinal herb from Yangjiang County in Southern China was analyzed for the first time using GC-MS. The major constituents were hexadecanoic acid (42.3%), isopropyl dimethyl tetrahydronaphthalenol (14.1%), β -sesquiphellandrene (8.3%), octadecadienoic acid (5.5%), and phytol (5.2%).

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