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Inhibitory effects of Diarylheptanoids from the Barks of *Alnus hirsuta* Turcz on the Melanin Biosynthesis

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Four diarylheptanoids, hirsutanonol, oregonin, (5R)-1,7-bis-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-5-hydroxyheptane, (5R)-1,7-bis-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-heptane-5-O- β -D-glucoside were isolated from barks of *Alnus hirsuta* Turcz. The diarylheptanoids inhibited melanin biosynthesis 5-10 times stronger than kojic acid at 10 μ g/ml concentration at various concentrations in B16 mouse melanoma cell lines on the pigmentation of skin.

These results show that diarylheptanoids from the barks of *Alnus hirsuta* Turcz could be developed as skin whitening component of cosmetics.

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Antioxidative compounds from *Smilax china*

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The herb of *Smilax* species have been used for scrofular, goat, frambesa.

In this study, isolation of chemical constituents of *Smilax china* were carried out by extracting with methanol and then partitioned with CHCl₃, H₂O, 20% MeOH, 40% MeOH, 60% MeOH, and 100% MeOH. In order to evaluate the efficacy of anti-oxidative, its fractions(H₂O, 30%, 60%, 100Fr.) were measured radical scavenging activity with DPPH method. It was revealed that H₂O, 20% and 40% MeOH fractions have significant antioxidative activity.

From 20% and 40% MeOH fraction, two flavonoids were isolated and elucidated as apigenin glycosides through spectroscopic methods.

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Inhibitory effect of protoberberine alkaloids from *Coptidis Rhizoma* upon Acetylcholinesterase (AChE)

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The bioassay-directed fractionation of the MeOH extract of *Coptidis Rhizoma* (Ranunculaceae) yielded five active constituents (1-5) responsible for the inhibition on the acetylcholinesterase (AChE EC 3.1.1.7) in vitro. They(1-5) were identified by spectral evidences as berberine (1), groenlandicine (2), epi-berberine (3), coptisine (4) and jateorrhizine (5), respectively. All of them (1-5) were comprised in