FLAVONOIDS OF Adonis wolgensis

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In a study of the epigeal part of Adonis wolgensis Stev., the extracts were found to contain the hydroxycoumarins scopoletin and umbelliferone, and also flavonoid substances, which were separated on a column of polyamide sorbent. The column was eluted with chloroform containing various proportions of ethanol. The eluates obtained with chloroform containing 5% of ethanol yielded a flavonoid aglycone ($C_{15}H_{10}O_5$, mp 348-350°C), which was identified as apigenin. With an increase in the concentration of ethanol in the chloroform to 10-12%, a second aglycone was eluted ($C_{15}H_{10}O_6$, mp 328-330°C), which was identified as luteolin. A further increase in the concentration of ethanol to 15-18% led to the elution of a C-glycoside [$C_{21}H_{10}O_{11}$, mp 262-267°C, [α] $\frac{20}{10}+20\pm2$ ° (c 1.0; ethanol)], which was identified as orientin [1].

The substances were identified by their physicochemical properties and IR and UV spectra. The latter were taken with ionizing and complex-forming reagents. Mixtures of the flavonoids obtained with authentic samples gave no depressions of the melting points.

This is the first time that flavonoid substances have been obtained from A. wolgensis.

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