

# COMPOUNDS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

### **SEDATIVES**

Calming CNS via suppression of increased irritability Biogenic drugs of this group possess complex character Effect is triggered after repeated application



# VALERIANAE RADIX – VALERIAN ROOT (ČL 2002)

Valeriana officinalis L. sensu lato – valerian (Valerianaceae)

- Perennial huge plant home in Europe and Asia
- Polymorphous species divided in to series and types; differ both in number of chromosomes and content compounds
- For pharmaceutical purposes cultivated





### **VALERIANAE RADIX**

- Drug is formed up to 40 °C dried rhizomes with numerous roots and spits
- Characteristic odor
- Un-cut drug 5 ml essential oil/kg
- Cut drug 3 ml essential oil/kg
- Contains at least 0,17 % of sesquiterpenic acids counted as valerenic acid, relative to dried drug





# VALERIANAE RADIX CONTAIN COMPOUNDS – ESSENTIAL OIL

# VALERIANAE RADIX CONTENT COMPOUNDS – VALEPOTRIATES (Valeriana epoxy triesters)

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# VALERIANAE RADIX CONTENT COMPOUNDS

- · Flavonoid gycosides derived from quercetine
- Traces of pyridine alkaloids (actinidine)
- · Aminoacids glutamine, alanine, asparagine
- $_{\square}$   $\gamma$ -aminobutyric acid (8g / kg of extract)



#### VALERIANAE RADIX

Valerianae tinctura – valerian tincture (ČL 2002 N) Valerianae extractum fluidum – liquid valerian extract

#### **Effect**

- Valepotriates and their fissionable products sedative, tranquilizers
- Valerenic acid musculotropic spasmolytic, sedative
- Sesquiterpenes slowing degradation of GABA

#### Utilization:

- · insomnia, nervousness, feelings of tension
- antispasmodic (gastric)



### VALERIANAE RADIX

- Drug is a part of herbal mixture ( VALOFYT NEO, NERVOVÁ ČAJOVÁ SMĚS)
- Extract is part of sedative and spasmolytic mixtures
- Valepotriates are part of sedatives and tranquilizers (VALMANE, BALDRISEDON)

### Production of valepotriates:

- Valeriana wallichii DC.- cultivated in India; contains 2,8-3,5 % of valepotriates
- Valeriana edulis ssp. procera cultivated in Mexico; contains up to 7 % of valepotriates



# MELISSAE FOLIUM – LEMON BALM LEAVES (ČL 2002)

*Melissa officinalis* L. – Lemon balm (Lamiaceae)

- Perennial plant with branched stem
- White stalked flowers in valleys of leaves
- Cultivated in middle and south Europe

Drug: dried leaves harvested at the biggining of flowering period

Temperature of drying could not exceed 35 °C

Characteristic lemon odour





# *MELISSAE FOLIUM*CONTENT COMPOUNDS – POLYPHFENOLS

Contains at least 4,0 % of all hydroxycinnamate derivatives, expressed as rosmarinic acid ("tannin" of plants from Lamiaceae)

Rosmarininc acid (depsid of caffeic acid with 3,4-dihydroxyphenyl lactic acid)



# MELISSAE FOLIUM CONTAIN COMPOUNDS – ESSENTIAL OIL



# MELISSAE FOLIUM

#### FURTHER COMPOUNDS

- sesquiterpenes copaene, cubebene
- · Ursolic acid
- flavonoid rhamnesine
- · coumarin aesculetine

### EFFECT mild

- sedative
- spasmolyticc
- antiphlogistic
- antibacterial

### UTILIZATION

Mostly often used for herbal tea mixtures

Use at neurovegetative dystonia (cardial, stomachic, intestinal disorders)

Component of carminative mixtures

Water extract externally to affect skin

Cosmetics



### **MELISSAE FOLIUM**

# ESSENTIAL OIL IS NOT OBTAINED FROM MELLISAE FOLIUM DUE TO THE RELATIVELY LOW CONTENT

### Under naming MELISSAE OLEUM could be:

- Essential oil from indian herb *Cymbopogon* spp. lemon grass (Poaceae), correct naming is Oleum citronellae
- Citrus essential oil obtained from pericarpium Citrus limonum Mediterranean sweet limetta (Rutaceae)
- Through Melissae herba hydrodistilled Citrus essential oil Oleum melissae citratum



# LUPULI FLOS – HOPS (ČL 2002)

# Humulus lupulus L. – common hop (Cannabaceae)

- dioecious, dextrorotary wrapping climbing plant
- Cultivated in Europe and Northern Asia
  - Only female plants are cultivated
  - Vegetative propagation





### LUPULI FLOS

Drug: dried, usually whole female inflorescences

Characteristic aromatic odour

Must contain at least 25,0 % of compounds extractible by ethanol 70% (V/V)

Protect against sunlight.

Drug non-pharmacopoeic:

Lupulinum – Lupuline,

Glandulae lupuli – hop

glandules, yellow colored

powder, bitter taste and

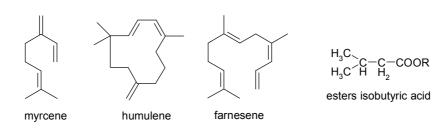
aromatic odor

Stored maximally one year

Protect against sunlight.



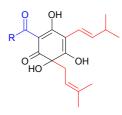
# LUPULI FLOS CONTENT COMPOUNDS – ESSENTIAL OIL (0,3 - 1 %)



oxygenated monoterpenes in traces only



# LUPULI FLOS CONTAIN COMPOUNDS - RESINS (15 - 30 %)

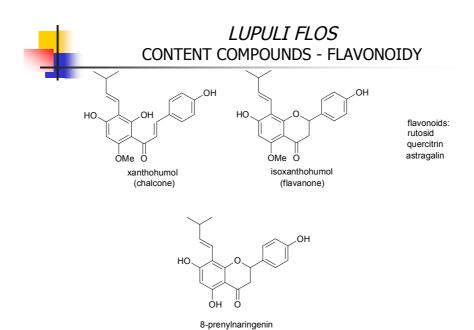


 $\alpha\text{-lupulic}$  bitter acids monoacylphloroglucinols with 2 prenyl units

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 $\beta\mbox{-lupulic bitter acids}$  monoacylphloroglucinols with 3 prenyl units

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# LUPULI FLOS PRODUCTS OF PRENYL DEGRADATION



# LUPULI FLOS and LUPULINUM UTILIZATION

- Sedative
- Anaphrodisiac (antigonadotropic glucoprotein)
- Amare (bitter lupulinic acids)
- Stomachic
- Antidiabetic for beginning stadia (decoction from hops)
- Beer manufacturing

trans-isohumulon



# PASSIFLORAE HERBA – PASION FLOWERS HERB (ČL 2002)

Passiflora incarnata L. – passion flowers (Passifloraceae) Perennial, climbing, evergreen with bright purple flowers Home in Middle and South America In Europe planted as ornamental

Drug: cut dried aerial part, may contain also flowers and/or fruits

Contain at least 1,5 % of total flavonoids (expressed as vitexin) related to dried drug

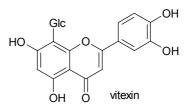




# PASSIFLORAE HERBA - CONTAIN COMPOUNDS

- Flavonoid C-glycosides: vitexin, isovitexin, orientin, isoorientin, vicenin, lucenin
- Carboline alkaloids: harman, harmol, harmin
- Maltol (2-methyl-3-hydroxy-ypyron)

Utilization: sedative, insomnia





# HYPERICI HERBA – St. JOHN'S WORTH HERB (ČL 2002)

*Hypericum perforatum* L. – St. John's worth (Hypericaceae)

- Perennial plant of all continents
- Species naming bright pointing of leaves – secretion glandules

Drug – whole or cut flowering tips of plant, harvest VII and VIII, drying at 35 °C, storage – protect against sunlight.

Contain at least 0,08 % of all naphtodianthrones, counted as hypericin, related to dried drug





### HYPERICI HERBA

Hypericum species – St. John's worth in Czech:

H. perforatum L. (ČL 2002)

- H. maculatum Crantz.
- *H. montanum* L.
- H. hirsutum L.
- H. pulchrum
- H. tetrapterum Fries
- H. elegans Steph. ex Wild.
- H. humifusum L.



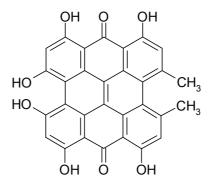


### **HYPERICI HERBA – CONTENT COMPOUNDS**

- Naphtodianthrons 0,1-0,15 % (hypericine, pseudohypericine, isohypericine, protohypericine, protopseudohypericine)
- 2. Flavonoids 2-4 % (hyperosid, quercetin, isokvercitrin, rutosid, kempferol, luteolin, myricetin)
- 3. Biflavonoids (I3,II8-biapigenin, I3',II8-biapigenin = amentoflavon)
- 4. Phloroglucinol derivatives (hyperforin, adhyperforin)
- Tannins 5,5-15 % (catechine type), including precursors: catechine, epicatechine, procyanidine and leucoanthocyanidine
- 6. Essential oil 0,1-1 % (higher alkanes, mono- and sesquiterpenes, mainly  $\alpha$ -pinen and caryophylene)
- 7. Xanthones (1,3,6,7-tetrahydroxyxanthon)
- 8. Organic acids (caffeic, ferulic, quinic)



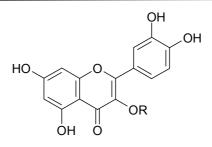
### HYPERICI HERBA - NAPHTODIANTHRONES



hypericine

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# HYPERICI HERBA - FLAVONOIDS

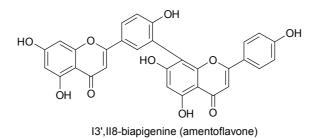


hyperoside  $R = \beta$ -D-Gal quercitrine  $R = \alpha$ -L-Rha isoquercitrine  $R = \beta$ -D-Glc

rutoside  $R = \beta$ -D-Glc(6 --1) $\alpha$ -L-Rha



# HYPERICI HERBA - BIFLAVONOIDS





# HYPERICI HERBA – DERIVATIVES OF PHLOROGLUCINOL



# HYPERICI HERBA – USAGE

Sedative (JARSIN, HYPERFORAT, ESBERICUM)

Therapy of depression (inhibition of MAO, increased secretion of serotonin and melatonin ?? Do not combine with other antidepressives!

Antivirotic (light exposition is condition) HSV1, HSV2, cytomegalovires – inhibition of reversed transcriptase, integrase

Baktericide (G+ and G-)

Astringent (tannins)



### HYPERICI HERBA - SIDE EFFECTS

Photodynamic effect (hypericismus), albinoids

Mutagenic effect of Oleum hyperici

#### Affects:

- Decrease of theophyline effect (asthmatics)
- · Decrease of warfarine and cyclosporine effectiveness
- Together with hormones (ethinylestradiol + desogestrel) bleeding



## LAVANDULAE FLOS – LAVENDER FLOWERS (ČL 2002) LAVANDULAE OLEUM – LAVENDER ESSENTIAL OIL (ČL 2002)

Source: *Lavandula angustifolia* – lavender, Lamiaceae

- Perennial low shrub with integerrime leaves with under winded margin. Small blue slothy flowers
- Must contain at least 13 ml of essential oil / 1 kg of drug
- Essential oil is obtained by hydrodistillation





## LAVANDULAE FLOS – LAVENDER FLOWERS (ČL 2002) LAVANDULAE OLEUM – LAVENDER ESSENTIAL OIL (ČL 2002) CONTAIN COMPOUNDS

Components of essential oil

Other contain compounds:

tannins anthocyanins



LAVANDULAE FLOS – LAVENDER FLOWERS (ČL 2002) LAVANDULAE OLEUM – LAVENDER ESSENTIAL OIL (ČL 2002)

#### Usage:

- · mild sedative
- carminative
- · spasmolytic

### Externally:

- derivant
- · corrigents of odor

Largest consumption: manufacturing of alcohol, perfumeries



### KAWA-KAWA

Source: *Piper methysticum* – pepřovník opojný

- Shrub home and cultivated at islands of Micronesia and Polynesia
- From fresh roots the water extract is prepared. The extract is used for ritual ceremonies

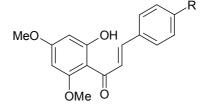
Drug: dried and cut rhizomes without roots





## KAWA-KAWA CONTENT COMPOUNDS

kawaine  $R^1 = R^2 = H$ methysticine  $R^1 - R^2 = -OCH_2O -$ (derivatives of  $\alpha$ -pyrone)



flavokavine A R = OCH<sub>3</sub> flavokavine B R = H (chalcones)



### KAWA-KAWA

#### Effect:

- · sedative or hypnotic in dependence on dose
- Derivatives of a-pyrone and its 7,8-dihydroderivatives central suppression, similar to ataractics
- analgesic
- anticonvulsive



# GUMMIRESINA ASA FOETIDA – KLEJOPRYSKYŘICE ASA FOETIDA

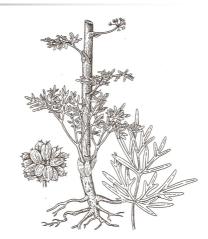
#### Source:

Ferula asa foetida – asafetida (Apiaceae)

- perennial herb of steppes of Iran and Afghanistan
- flowing from roots after cutting, after desiccation is collected
- · disgusting odor

#### Usage:

sedative (during hysteria)





# **GUMMIRESINA ASA FOETIDA** ASAFETIDA GUMMIRESIN **CONTAIN COMPOUNDS**



# AVENAE FRUCTUS - OAT FRUITS (FLAKES)

### Source:

Avena sativa – common oat (Poaceae)

One-year cultivated plant

Extraordinary rich heterogeneous mixture of content compounds Usage:

component of sedative mixtures



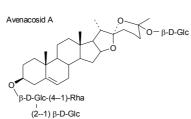


# AVENAE FRUCTUS – OAT FRUITS CONTAIN COMPOUNDS

- Saccharides: starch,  $\beta$ -glucans, arabinoxylans, cellulose
- *N*-substances: proteins, lipoproteins, peptids
- Sterols: avenasterols,  $\beta$ -sitosterol, stigmasterol
- · Steroid saponins: avenacosid A a B
- Vitamins: B<sub>1</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>, B<sub>6</sub>, pantothenic acid, vitamine E, vitamine K
- Minerals: cca 30 % silicic acid
- Others: gramin, linamarin, pheophytine, avenein = vanililglucoside



# AVENAE FRUCTUS – OAT FRUITS CONTAIN COMPOUNDS







# VALOFYT-NEO

Valerianae radix	24 g
Lupuli flos	12
Melissae herba	11
Avenae fructus	11
Lavandulae herba	11
Crataegi fructus	17
Salicis cortex	7
Angelicae radix	3,5
Menthae piperitae herba	3,5