

Progress in Essential Oils

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Hyssop Oil

Renzini et al. (1999) determined that the main constituents of a hyssop oil produced from plants collected in the Piedmont region (Italy) were as follows:

 $\begin{array}{l} \alpha\text{-pinene}\;(0.6\%)\\ \text{sabinene}\;(1.5\%)\\ \beta\text{-pinene}\;(11.1\%)\\ \text{myrcene}\;(2.1\%)\\ \text{limonene}\;(12.2\%)\\ \text{pinocamphone}\;(1.7\%)\\ \text{isopinocamphone}\;(43.3\%)\\ \beta\text{-bourbonene}\;(1.4\%)\\ \text{caryophyllene}\;\text{oxide}\;(0.5\%) \end{array}$

Garg et al. (1999) analyzed an oil produced from *Hyssopus officinalis* subsp. *officinalis* grown in an experimental garden in Lucknow (India). The composition of this oil was found to be as follows:

α-thujene (1.0%) α -pinene (1.8%) β -pinene (18.4%) sabinene (1.3%) limonene (5.6%) β -phellandrene (4.2%) (Z)- β -ocimene (0.1%) pinocamphone (49.1%) isopinocamphone (9.7%) α -terpineol (0.5%) myrtenol (0.7%) sabinyl acetate* (0.5%) methyl eugenol (0.2%) β-caryophyllene (0.3%) $\alpha\text{-humulene}\;(0.1\%)$ (Z)- β -farnesene (0.3%) germacrene D (0.7%) δ -cadinene (0.8%) γ -elemene[†] (0.2%) β-eudesmol (0.2%) α-eudesmol (0.2%)

It is known that three forms of H. officinalis subsp. officinalis occur: f. cyaneus Alef. (blue flowered form), f. ruber Mill. (pink flowered form) and f. albus Alef. (white flowered form). Chalchat et al. (2001) analyzed the composition of 12 oils produced from plants grown in Serbia. The results of this study are summarized in T-1. As can be seen from the results, the oils were grouped into five types depending upon the contents of major components. Also, it could be seen that the flower color (f. type) had no influence on the oil composition whatsoever.

Fraternale et al. (2004) analyzed oils produced from *H. officinalis* grown in two different locations near Urbine (Italy). The main components of the two oils are presented in T-2.

An oil of *H. officinalis* subsp. *angustifolius* produced from plants collected in the vicinity of Kose (Turkey) was the subject of analysis by Özer et al. (2005). The components characterized in this oil were:

 α -thujene (0.1%) α-pinene (0.8%) camphene (0.1%) sabinene (1.0%) β-pinene (10.6%) myrcene (2.5%) α-terpinene (0.1%) p-cymene (0.3%) limonene (0.5%) 1,8-cineole (7.2%) γ -terpinene (0.2%) linalool (0.1%) camphor (0.2%) pinocamphone (19.6%) pinocarvone (36.3%) borneol (0.3%)isopinocamphone (5.3%)

α-terpineol (0.8%) myrtenal (0.3%) pulegone (0.3%) piperitone (0.4%) thymol (< 0.1%) piperitenone oxide (0.1%) α-copaene (0.1%) β-bourbonene (0.1%) β-caryophyllene (0.4%) β -gurjunene (0.1%) γ-muurolene (0.3%) germacrene D (1.0%) bicyclogermacrene (0.6%) γ-cadinene (0.1%) δ -cadinene (0.2%) spathulenol (0.9%) caryophyllene oxide (0.1%)

Oils of hyssop of Bulgarian origin were found by Stoyanova and Grozeva (2006) to contain the following major components:

 $\begin{array}{l} \alpha\text{-pinene} \; (0.8\text{--}1.8\%) \\ \beta\text{-pinene} \; (9.2\text{--}14.2\%) \\ \text{sabinene} \; (2.0\%) \\ \text{myrcene} \; (3.0\%) \\ \text{limonene} \; (0.8\%) \\ 1,8\text{-cineole} \; (9.0\text{--}12.0\%) \\ \text{pinocamphone} \; (38.4\text{--}46.5\%) \\ \text{linalool} \; (1.8\%) \\ \text{camphor} \; (8.0\text{--}12.5\%) \\ \text{geraniol} \; (2.0\text{--}3.0\%) \\ \text{borneol} \; (2.1\text{--}3.0\%) \end{array}$

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[°] correct isomer not identified; † incorrect identification based on GC elution order

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t = trace (< 0.1%); a = number of oils; 1 = oils rich in pinocamphone > isopinocamphone; 2 = oils rich in isopinocamphone; 3 = oils rich in isopinocamphone; 4 = oils rich in pinocamphone; 5 = oils rich in isopinocamphone > pinocarvone

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Osmanthus Extracts

Osmanthus extracts are obtained from the highly scented flowers of *Osmanthus fragrans* Lour. The most commonly encountered flowers are the golden-yellow ones; however,

Percentage composition of two Italian oils of Hyssopus officincalis

Compound	0il 1	0il 2
α-pinene	2.1	2.1
sabinene	0.4	0.4
β-pinene	10.5	10.8
myrcene	3.5	1.6
α-phellandrene	7.4	9.6
α-terpinene	1.9	0.7
linalool	0.2	7.9
camphor	0.3	5.3
pinocamphone	34.0	18.5
isopinocamphone	3.2	29.0
α-terpineol	0.1	0.5
linalyl acetate	2.9	8.0
β-caryophyllene	5.6	2.4
lpha-humulene	3.2	1.9
germacrene D	5.1	3.3
lpha-cadinene	2.9	< 0.1
cis-calamenene	8.0	< 0.1
β-cadinene	3.8	2.4
bicyclogermacrene	1.6	1.4
spathulenol	2.3	1.4

silvery-white flowers and orange-red flowers of *O. fragrans* can also be found.

The enantiomeric distribution of (E)- α -ionone in osmanthus absolute was found (Werkhoff et al. 1991) to be: (+)-(E)- α -ionone (99.8%): (-)-(E) α -ionone (0.2%).

Zhu et al. (1993) compared the headspace composition of *O. fragrans* var. *thunbergii* Makino (goldenflower), *O. fragrans* var. *latifolius* Makino and *O. fragrans* var. *aurantiacus* Makino flowers grown in China. The results of this study are summarized in T-3.

Ohloff (1994) reported that osmanthus absolute contained a trace amount of jasmolactone.

The floral volatiles identified in an isopentane extract of *O. fragrans* by Omura et al. (2000) were as follows:

(Z)-3-hexenol (0.90%) nonanal (0.56%) trans-linalool oxide[†] (1.44%) cis-linalool oxide[†] (2.99%) linalool (5.12%) trans-linalool oxide[‡] (0.41%) cis-linalool oxide[‡] (0.89%) (E)-α-ionone (0.32%) (E)-β-ionone (3.38%) γ-decalactone (6.55%) C_{23} - C_{38} alkanes (46.95%)

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\begin{array}{l} {\rm C_{11}\text{--}C_{22}\ aliphatic\ acids\ (4.83\%)} \\ {\rm methyl\ esters\ of\ C_{16}\text{--}C_{18}\ acids\ (4.16\%)} \end{array}
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Furthermore, the authors observed that although osmanthus flowers emitted a strong scent and possessed a vivid color, the flowers were not attractive to many insects. They found that this insect repellency was mainly due to γ -decalactone.

Kaiser (2002) reported that of the flowering plants found the varieties of *O. fragrans* possess the greatest diversity in aroma constituents derived from carotenoid degradation reactions. The carotenoid-derived constituents that were characterized as components of an absolute of osmanthus were as follows:

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(E)-β-ionone (7.6%)
dihydro-β-ionone (6.4%)
dihydro-β-ionol (3.0%)
(E)-α-ionone (0.6%)
cis- and trans-theaspirane (0.7%)
4-hydroxy-β-ionone (0.3%)
4-oxo-β-ionol (0.3%)
4-oxo-dihydro-β-ionone (0.8%)
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In addition, (E)- β damascenone (0.02%), dihydroactinodiolide, (E,E)-2,5epoxy-6,8-megastigmadiene (0.02%), (Z,Z)-2,5-epoxy-6,8-megastigmadiene, 2,7-epoxy-4,8-megastigmadiene, two isomers of 2-hydroxytheaspirane, 2,5-epoxy-megastigm-6-en-9-ol, 2,3,5-trimethylphenylpentan-4-ol, 5,8-megastigmadien-4-one (0.01%), (E)-5,7,9-megastigmatrien-4one (0.02%), dehydro-β-ionone (0.05%), (E)-4,7,9-megastigmatrien-3-one (0.01%), four isomers of 4,6,8-megastigmatrien-3-one (0.04%), 4,6,8-megastigmatrien-2-ol, 4.5-epoxy- α -ionone (0.02%), (E)-4,7-epoxy-5(11),8-megastigmadiene, 4-oxo-dihydro-β-iononyl acetate, four theaspirone isomers, (E)- and (Z)-retroionols, four isomers of 7-oxo-dihydrotheaspiranes, (Z)-retroγ-ionone and cyclic-β-ionone have also been found as minor constituents (< 0.01%) in this sample of osmanthus absolute. The structures of many of the above listed compounds can be seen in F-1.

Ishikawa et al. (2004) examined the enantiomeric distribution of five important aroma constituents of the yellow-flowered osmanthus. The following is a summary of their results:

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\begin{array}{l} (2R,5S)\text{-}(-)\text{-}cis\text{-}linalool\ oxide\ (furanoid)}\\ (99.5\%)\text{:}(2S,5R)\text{-}(+)\text{-}cis\text{-}linalool\ oxide}\\ (0.5\%)\\ (2R,5R)\text{-}(-)\text{-}trans\text{-}linalool\ oxide\ (furanoid)}\\ (>99.5\%)\text{:}(2S,5S)\text{-}(+)\text{-}trans\text{-}linalool\ oxide}\\ (<0.5\%)\\ (3R)\text{-}(-)\text{-}linalool\ (99.9\%)\text{:}(3S)\text{-}(+)\text{-}linalool\ (0.1\%)}\\ (S)\text{-}(-)\text{-}\alpha\text{-}ionone\ (<0.1\%)\text{:}(R)\text{-}(+)\text{-}\alpha\text{-}ionone\ (>99.9\%)}\\ (R)\text{-}(+)\text{-}\gamma\text{-}decalactone\ (93.1\%)\text{:}(S)\text{-}(-)\text{-}\gamma\text{-}\\ decalactone\ (6.9\%)\\ \end{array}
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Tamogami et al. (2004) repeated this same information; however, in this report they noted that the amounts of these above constituents were as follows:

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cis-linalool oxide<sup>†</sup> (2.57%)

trans-linalool oxide<sup>†</sup> (9.45%)

linalool (8.66%)

(E)-\alpha-ionone (0.67%)

\gamma-decalactone (10.94%)
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Kaiser (2005) reported the results of a headspace study on *O. fragrans* flower 'Four Seasons' using Porpak SQ as the adsorbent. The components characterized in this study were as follows:

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\alpha-pinene (1.0%)
β-pinene (0.2%)
sabinene (0.2%)
\alpha-phellandrene (0.1%)
limonene (0.3%)
1,8-cineole (0.1%)
(E)-\beta-ocimene (0.8%)
p-cymene (0.1%)
octanal (0.1\%)
(E)-4,8-dimethylnona-1,3,7-triene (0.4\%)
(Z)-3-hexenyl acetate (10.0%)
6-methyl-5-hepten-2-one (0.2\%)
hexanol (0.2%)
(Z)-3-hexenol (4.3%)
nonanal (0.3%)
(E)-2-hexenol (0.3%)
trans-linalool oxide<sup>†</sup> (12.5%)
cis-linalool oxide<sup>†</sup> (17.0%)
linalool (15.1%)
(E)-2,3-epoxy-2,6-dimethylnona-6,8-diene
(0.2\%)
β-caryophyllene (0.3%)
cyclic \beta-ionone (0.2%)
trans-linalool oxide<sup>‡</sup> (0.5%)
cis-linalool oxide<sup>‡</sup> (1.5%)
nerol (0.1%)
dihydro-\beta-ionone (8.5%)
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 $^{^{\}dagger}$ furanoid form; ‡ pyranoid form

Comparative percentage composition of the headspace volatiles of three varieties of *Osmanthus fragrans*

Compound	var. <i>aurantiacus</i>	var. <i>thunbergii</i>	var. <i>latifolius</i>
ethyl acetate	_	0.5	_
3-methylbutanone	_	0.1	_
2-hexenal*	0.1	_	_
3-hexenol*	0.1	_	_
3-hydroxy-2-butanone	-	2.3	6.0
5-hexen-3-one	_	1.0	_
3,3-dimethylhexane [†]	_	_	0.2
6-undecanone [†]	_	_	0.1
myrcene	_	_	0.1
6-methyl-5-hepten-2-one	0.1	_	_
decane	-	0.7	0.3
3-hexenyl acetate*	0.5	-	0.3
limonene	0.3	0.8	0.0
α-ocimene	0.1	18.0	9.1
1,8-cineole	0.1	10.0	J. I
(Z)-β-ocimene	0.1	_	
		_	
(E)-β-ocimene	9.9	7.0	10.1
cis-linalool oxide (furanoid)	4.6	7.8	18.1
trans-linalool oxide (furanoid)	7.5	6.1	14.1
3-cyclohexenylmethanol [†]	_ 	2.2	15.0
linalool	25.7	7.9	15.3
menthone	_	0.9	
6-methyl-3,5-heptadien-2-one	_	0.5	-
1,6-diacetoxyhexane [†]	_	_	1.8
6-ethanyldihydro-2,2,6-trimethyl-			
-2H-pyran-3(4H)-one [†]	0.6		
5-phenylmethoxypentanol [†]	_	1.1	0.1
ethyl benzaldehyde [†]	_	1.4	0.2
menthol	_	0.2	1.0
2-methyl-6-methylene-1,7-			
octadiene-3-one	0.6	_	-
cis-linalool oxide (pyranoid)	0.5	0.9	2.2
trans-linalool oxide (pyranoid)	1.4	0.6	1.0
(Z)-3-hexenyl butyrate	0.5	-	0.3
(E)-3-hexenyl butyrate	0.2	_	-
α-terpineol	-	_	0.2
hexyl butyrate	-	_	0.2
ethyl benzoate	_	_	0.2
carvone	_	3.2	0.2
benzothiazole	0.3	_	-
2,4-dimethylphenylethanone [†]	_	_	0.2
8,8-dimethyl-4-methylene-1-			
oxaspiro[2,5]oct-5-ene [†]	_	_	0.1
4,6,6-trimethylbicyclo[3.1.1]-hept-			
3-en-2-one [†]	_	_	0.1
(E)-β-ionone	3.0	2.5	2.3
5-hexyldihydro-2(3H)furanone	2.7		_
(E)-β-ionone	17.1	19.4	10.5
γ-decalactone	-	1.1	0.1
pentadecane	0.2	-	J. 1
hexadecanoic acid	U.Z	0.1	
4-oxo-β-ionone		0.1	
+ oxo-p-ionone	-	0.1	

*correct isomer not identified; †questionable identification

In addition, smaller amounts of myrcene (0.03%), (Z)- β -ocimene (0.05%), benzaldehyde (0.05%), cis-theaspirane A (0.02%), transtheaspirane B (0.02%), α -humulene (0.05%), methyl salicylate (0.02%), 2-phenethyl alcohol (0.05%) and methyl cis-(Z)-jasmonate (0.05%) were also found in the osmanthus headspace.

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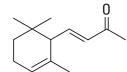
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[†]furanoid form; ‡pyranoid form

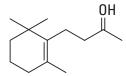
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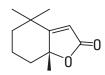


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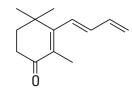


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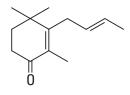
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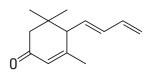


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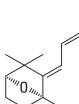
8. 5,8-megastigmadien-4-one

9. 3,4-dehydro-βionone



 $10.\ 4{,}7{,}9{-}megastigmatrien-\\3{-}one$

11. four isomers of 4,6,8-megastigmatrien-3-one

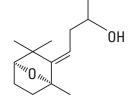


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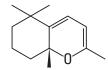


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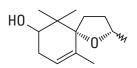


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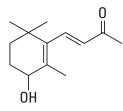
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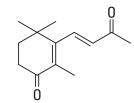
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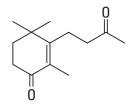
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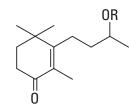


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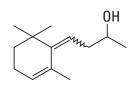


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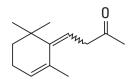
23. 4-oxo- β -ionone



 $\begin{array}{l} 24.\ 4\text{-}oxo\text{-}dihydro\text{-}\beta\text{-}\\ ionol\ (R=H)\\ 4\text{-}oxo\text{-}dihydro\text{-}\beta\text{-}ionyl\\ acetate\ (R=Ac) \end{array}$

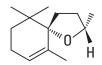


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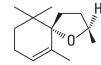


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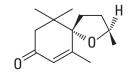
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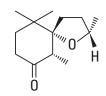
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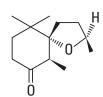
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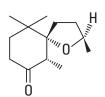


30. theaspirone B



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31. 7-oxo-dihydrotheaspirane A and B isomers (left to right: $A^1,\,A^2,\,B^1,\,B^2$)

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