

# ANGIOSPERMAE

Plants of this taxon are somehow superior to other plants:

**a) An ovarium is present to protect the ovule better**

**b) Pollination and fertilization are guaranteed**

Pollination occurs via bugs, birds, the wind, water (plants are entemogamous, ornithogamous, anemogamous and hydrogamous, respectively).

**c) There are many types of inflorescences.**

**d) Trachea are also present in the vessels along with tracheids. Companion cells are also present in the phloem along with sieve elements.**

**e) While Gymnosperms only consist of trees and shrubs (woody plants), Angiosperms may also be herbaceous.**

**Angiosperms are divided into two classes according to the number of their cotyledons: Monocotyledones and Dicotyledones.**

# **Class: Monocotyledones**

## **Important characteristics:**

**The embryo has only one cotyledon.**

**Mostly herbaceous, annual or perennial plants.**

**Cork tissue is not present in the stem bark.**

**Stem is simple, branching may be present in the inflorescence.**

**Vessels are irregularly arranged.**

**Cambium is not present, therefore secondary growth is not seen.**

**They are mostly geophytes that have bulbs, rhizomes or tubers underground.**

Leaves are usually simple, sessile, linear, with parallel veins and without stipula, are alternately arranged. Leaves surround the stem with a sheath.

Fibrous roots are present.

The number of calyx, corolla, androecium, gynaecium members is 3 or in multiples of 3 (trimeric).

Calyx and corolla are not individually present as a perianth, but forms a **perigonium**, and a member of the perigon is called a **tepal**.

General flower formula:  $\mathbf{P}_{3+3} \mathbf{A}_{3+3} \underline{\mathbf{G}}_{(3)}$

Pollination occurs via bugs, therefore plants are **entomogamous**.

# Subdivision: ANGIOSPERMAE

## Class: Monocotyledones

**Important Monocotyledones plant families in respect to pharmacy are:**

### **POALES**

- **Gramineae (Poaceae)**

### **LILIALES**

- **Dioscoreaceae**
- **Liliaceae**
- **Iridaceae**
- **Amaryllidaceae**

### **MICROSPERMAE (ORCHIDALES)**

- **Orchidaceae**

# GRAMINAE (POACEAE)

Perennial, herbaceous plants.

Nodes and internodiums are distinctly present.

Plant with a cylindrical and hollow stem, except at the nodes

One leaf is present at a node, they are alternately arranged.

Lamina; linear, with parallel venation, sheath slit (called vagina); formed by the base of the leaf surrounding the stem is present. A ligule is present between the lamina and the vagina (specific to Poaceae).

(\*) nodus= node; nodosus = with many nodes

(\*\*) internodium= region between the nodes

**Flower: bisexual, sometimes unisexual**

**Çiçekler erdişi, bazen tek eşeyli**

**The basic floral unit, spikelet located above two glumes (1)**

**Spikulalar halinde. Spikulanın tabanında dış brakteye karşılık gelen GLUMA (1)**

**The spikelets arrange in a manner to form spikes, panicles or raceme**

**Spikulalar spika, spadiks veya panikulalar meydana getirir.**

**2 glumelles (inner palea(4) and outer lemma (2))**

**Spikula eksenini üzerindeki çiçekler GLUMELLA denilen iki brakteolün koltuğundan çıkar. Alt gluma= LEMMA (2), üst gluma= PALEA (4)**

**Reduced perigonium represented by 2-3 lodicules**

**Periant 2-3 LODİKULA (5)' dan oluşur**

**Fruit: Caryopsis**

**Pollination with wind**

**Tozlaşma rüzgar ile**

**Ovary superior; hypogenos, consists of 3 carpels**

**Ovaryum üst durumda, 3 karpelden oluşur**

**2 Stigmas generally feathery**

**Stigma 2 kollu ve tüy gibi parçalı**

**Stamens usually 3, sometimes 1-6**

**Stamenler genellikle 3, bazen 1-6**



Has been cultivated for thousands of years.

Annual, herbaceous.

Inflorescence is a condensed spike.

## ***Triticum sativum* (Wheat, Buğday)**

**Fruits: caryopsis, rich in starch and proteins,  
yields Amylum Tritici (Tritici amyllum)**

**Added to creams, powders etc. as anti-inflammatory agent in pharmaceutical industry. Used in the pharmaceutical technique of drug preparation such as tablets, granules. It is also added to powders when the amount of the active ingredient is required to be reduced since it is a harmless drug.**

# Wheat embryo (wheat germ, rüşeym)

Wheat germ is the **embryo** found in the lower part of the wheat grain.

1 kilogram of wheat germ is obtained from 1 ton of wheat.

Rich in minerals and vitamins, especially E and B group of vitamins.

# GLUTEN

Gluten is a group of proteins found in grains like wheat, rye, barley and oats.

People with Celiac disease can not digest this protein.

When people with Celiac disease eat food containing gluten, their immune system damages their small intestines.

Gluten (L.) glue

# ***Oryza sativa***

**(Rice, Pirinç)**

**Origin: Far East**

**An annual, herbaceous plant**

**Fruits are rich in starch, but poor in proteins.**

**Yields *Amylum Oryzae (Oryzae amyllum)* T.K.**

# ***Zea mays* (corn)**

**Origin: South America**

**Annual, herbaceous plant.**

**Stylus Maydis (Maydis stylus); diuretic**

**Amylum Maydis (Maydis amyllum);**

**starch consumed as food and used in the making of tablets. And also zein obtained from grains is used in tablet coating and dextrin is used as adhesive.**

**Oleum Maydis (Maydis oleum);**

**recommended in the diet due to its unsaturated fatty acid content, regulates blood-cholesterol levels**

# ***Agropyron repens***

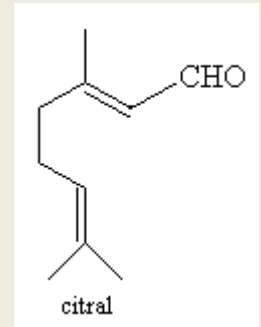
(Couch Grass, Ayrikotu)

**Yields Rhizoma Graminis  
(Graminis rhizoma)**

**Usage: Diuretic.**

# *Cymbopogon citratus* (Lemon Grass)

Lemon grass essence is obtained from the leaves.  
Smells like lemon since it contains 75% citral



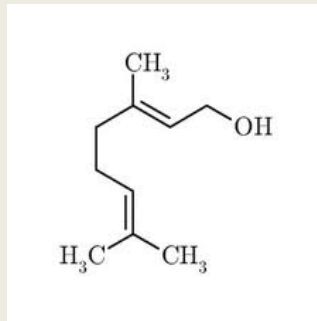


**Volatile oils of *C. nardus* (contains citronellal), *C. winterianus*, *C. flexuosus* species are used more since they yield a cheaper volatile oil.**

***Cymbopogon martini*** (Palmarosa)

***Cymbopogon schoenanthus*** (Camel grass)

Yields **Palma-rosa essence**, contains 75-95% **geraniol** (rose smell) and used instead of rose oil.



# ***Saccharum officinarum*** **(Sugarcane, Şeker kamışı)**

**Stems (juice of the stems) yield**  
**Saccharum T.F. (Sugar).**

Order: **Arecales**

Fam: **Palmae (Arecaceae)**

Usually grows in tropical and subtropical regions.

# ***Cocos nucifera***

**(Coconut, Hindistan cevizi)**

**Mesocarp of the fruit =**

**Coir (fibrous layer)**

**Used in textile**

**Endosperma: copra**

**Used as food**

***Serenoa repens***

(=*Sabal serrulata*) (Dwarf palm, Saw Palmetto)

**Fructus Serenoae repentis**  
**(*Sabal serrulatae* fructus)** Used in  
urinary tract disorders, prostatic  
hypertrophy.

# ***Areca catechu*** (Areca Palm, Betel Nut Palm)

Yields **Semen Arecae** (**Arecae semen**) (betel nut).

**Accelerates peristaltic movements  
of the intestines.**

**The seed contain alkaloids that are  
used as helminthic in veterinary medicine**

# ***Copernicia cerifera*** **(Carnauba)**

The leaves are covered with a thick layer of wax that yields **Cera Carnauba, Cera Palmarum** (carnauba wax).  
Used in the polishing of sugar coated pills.



# ***Phoenix dactylifera* (Date tree, Hurma ağacı)**

**Mesocarp is fleshy and rich in sugar**

**Order: Arales**

**Fam: Araceae**

**Yields ornamental  
plants**

# ***Arum* sp.**

**(Arum lilies, Yılan yastığı,  
danaayağı)**

**Tubers of the plant contains  
saponins and raphide  
crystals**

**POISONOUS!!**

**Order: Bromeliales**  
**Fam: Bromeliaceae**

**Origin: Americas**

*Ananas comosus* (Ananas)

From the fruits, an enzyme called  
bromelin is obtained that digests  
proteins.

(bromelin: a proteolytic enzyme obtained from  
pineapples)

# Order: Liliales

1. Flower hypogynous .....Liliaceae

1. Flower epygynous

2. Flowers separate; ..... Dioscoreaceae

2. Flower hermaphrodite:

3. Stamen number 6  $A_{3+3}$  .....Amaryllidaceae

3. Stamen number 3  $A_{3+0}$  .....Iridaceae

## Family: Liliaceae

$P_{3+3} A_{3+3} \underline{G}_{(3)} .a$

**Habit:** Often perennial herbs propagated by bulbs

**Leaves:** Alternate, flat, linear, parallel venation, sometimes cordate, succulent/scaly

**Stipules,** 2 scale-like attachments at the base of the petiole, some of them have phylloclads

**Inflorescence:** Raceme or umbel

**Flower:** actinomorphic, hypogynous

**Fruit:** loculicidal capsule or rarely a berry

## Family: Amaryllidaceae

$P_{3+3} A_{3+3} \overline{G}_{(3)} \cdot a$

**Perennial herbs with bulbs, sometimes rhizomes**

**Leaves: Linear, parallel venation, sometimes succulent, never cladote**

**Flowers: supported by a spathe, in umbels often reduced to solitary flower**

**Perigonium united in tube, sometimes contains an intra-perigonal corona**

**Fruit: Loculicidal capsule or rarely a berry**

**Family: Iridaceae**

$P_{3+3} A_3 \overline{G}_{(3)} \cdot a/z$

**Habit: herbs with rhizomes, tubers or bulbs**

**Leaves: sessile, basal, with parallel venation, linear or ensiformis**

**Flower: solitary flower, raceme**

**Perigonium connate (united) in tube**

**Spathe +/-**

**Style with 3 lobes**

**Fruit: Loculicidal capsule**



# Monocotyledonae (Liliales)

**Liliaceae**

$\mathbf{P}_{3+3} \mathbf{A}_{3+3} \underline{\mathbf{G}}_{(3)} \cdot \mathbf{a}$

**Iridaceae**

$\mathbf{P}_{3+3} \mathbf{A}_3 \overline{\mathbf{G}}_{(3)} \cdot \mathbf{a/z}$

**Amaryllidaceae**

$\mathbf{P}_{3+3} \mathbf{A}_{3+3} \overline{\mathbf{G}}_{(3)} \cdot \mathbf{a}$

**Order: Liliales**  
**Family: Liliaceae**

**Plants of Liliaceae family are important in respect to pharmacy, drugs, their active compounds and usages**

**1. Species containing alkaloids:**

*Colchicum autumnale, C. speciosum, Sabadilla officinarum, Veratrum album*

**2. Species containing anthracene and mucilage:**

*Aloe sp.*

**3. Species containing cardioactive heterosides:**

*Scilla maritima (Urginea maritima)*  
*Convallaria majalis*

#### **4. Species containing saponosides:**

***Smilax* sp., *Polygonatum* sp., *Ruscus* sp.**

#### **5. Others:**

***Allium* sp. (heterosides, flavonoids, vitamins):**

***Asparagus* sp. (Asparagine), *Asphodelius* sp. (Inuline),**

***Yucca* sp. (Steroidal hormone semi-synthesis)**

#### **6. Ornamental plants:**

***Tulipa* sp., *Fritillaria* sp., *Lilium* sp., *Ornithogalum* sp.**

***Yucca filamentosa***  
**(Adam's needle, Avize çiçeği)**

Leaves contain **steroidal saponosides**.

Cultivated as an ornamental plant.

# *Colchicum autumnale*

(Autumn crocus, Çiğdem, Acı çiğdem)

Colchicine is also used in the treatment of **Familial Mediterranean Fever**.

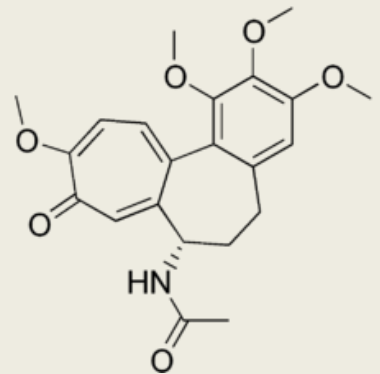
## Semen Colchici (Colchici semen)

**T.K.** contains colchicine and democolsine alkaloids that prevent the formation of cytoplasmic fibers that pull the chromosomes to the poles during cell division (mitosis).

**Toxic!**

Democolsine alkaloid is used in chronic leukemia.

Cell division stops at the metaphase stage, doubling the chromosome numbers and polyploid plants occur (usage in agriculture). As folk medicine, used as pain reliever for rheumatism and gout.



# ***Colchicum speciosum***

## **(False Autumn Crocus, Vargit Çiçeği)**

**Flowering of the plant is the determinant of time for leaving the upland, that's why it is called "vargit çiçeği" in Turkish.**

**Seeds have colchicine derivatives (also alkaloids), plants is exported.**

***Schoenocaulon officinale***

**(=*Sabadilla officinarum*)**

**(Sabadilla, bitotu)**

**Used for hair loss and lethal for parasites (that's why it is called "bitotu (louse plant) " in Turkish)**

**The extract isolated from *Sabadillae Semen (Sabadillae semen)* contains**

***veratrinum alkaloid mixture and is used externally as pain reliever for rheumatism.***

***Veratrum album*** (False Helleborine, White Hellebore, Beyaz Çöpleme)

**Contains protoveratrine A and B**  
**Lowers Blood Pressure and used**  
**for rheumatism**  
**However POISONOUS!!**



# **Aloe sp.**

**(Aloe, Sarisabır)**

**Succulent plant with short stem and succulent, triangular, dentate leaves 15-50 cm long; forms a basal rosette.**

The leaf extract is called **Aloe T.K., T. F.** (Aloe, Sarisabır).

***Also obtained from***

***Aloe vera,***

***Aloe africana,***

***Aloe ferox***

***Aloe spicata***

**A. vera** leaves yield a mucilage known as **Aloe vera gel** (does not contain anthracene derivatives but have polysaccharides, musilage, vitamins, amino acid, sterols, saponosides)

**Used in cosmetics, in wound healing (sun burn, eczema), hair preparations, hand and body lotions.**

**Contains 3-15% Anthracene derivatives. Effective on the large bowel: purgative\***

**(\*purgative: tending to clease or purge, especially causing the evacuation of bowels)**

# *Allium* sp.

**Inflorescence: Umbrella (covered – protected when young- with a spatha)**

# ***Allium sativum***

## **(Garlic, Sarımsak)**

**Bulbus is formed of many  
bulblets**

**Lowers blood  
pressure.**

**Contains vitamins A  
and C and also  
substances with  
antibiotic effect.  
Oral bactericide.**

**Contains allyl disulfide,  
alliin.**

# ***Allium cepa***

**(Onion, Soğan)**

**A culture plant.**

**Contains vitamins A, C and B<sub>2</sub> and flavonosides.**

**Appetizer, has antibiotic activity.**

***Urginea maritima* (= *Scilla maritima*)**

**(White Squill, Sea Onion, Adasoğanı)**

**Yields *Bulbus Scillae* (*Scillae  
bulbus*) T.K..**

**Contains cardioactive  
heterosides, is also diuretic.**

**Contain raphides that  
irritate the skin and  
therefore it is used for  
rheumatism to relieve  
pain (externally).**

# Smilax sp.

(Saparna)

**Fruit type: Berry**

**Radix Sarsaparillae  
(Sarsaparillae radix)**

**Extract prepared  
from the flowers  
with petroleum  
benzene is used in  
the perfumery and  
cosmetics  
industry.**

**Contains saponosides  
and is used in skin  
diseases like leprosy\* and  
is also diuretic.**

(\*leprosy: A slowly progressive, chronic infectious disease caused by the bacterium *Mycobacterium leprae*, that damages nerves, skin, and mucous membranes, and can lead to loss of sensation, paralysis, gangrene, and deformity if untreated)

***Smilax officinalis***  
**(Sarsaparilla, Saparna)**

***Smilax medica***



# ***Polygonatum multiflorum***

(Solomon's seal, Mührüsüleyman)

## **Yields**

**Rhizoma Polygonati (Polygonati rhizoma)**

**containing saponosides.**

**Used externally to relieve rheumatism  
pain.**

# *Ruscus aculeatus*

(Butcher's Broom, Christmas Berry,  
Tavşanmemesi)

Roots and rhizomes yield

**Radix Rusci aculeati**

**(Rusci rhizoma)** that

contains **ruscogenin**.

**Diuretic and anti-inflammatory\*.**

(\* anti-inflammatory: preventing or  
reducing inflammation)

**Also used in Chronic Venous Insufficiency,  
varicose veins (protects and strengthens  
veins) and adjunctive in hemorrhoids.**

(\***Varicose vein**: a condition in which the superficial veins,  
esp. of the legs, become tortuous, knotted, and swollen: caused  
by a defect in the venous valves or in the venous pump that  
normally moves the blood out of the legs when standing for long  
periods)

# ***Asparagus officinalis***

(Asparagus, Kuşkonmaz)

Roots and rhizomes yield **Radix Asparagi** that contains asparagine.  
Diuretic.

Young shoots are consumed  
as food.

Fam: Dioscoreaceae

# **Fam: Dioscoreaceae**

**Perianth petaloid**

**Ovary inferior; epigynous**

**unisexual**

***Dioscorea*** is a genus of over 600 species of flowering plants in the family Dioscoraceae, native throughout the tropical and warm temperate regions of the world. The vast majority of the species are tropical, with only a few species extending into temperate climates. It is named after the ancient Greek physician and botanist Dioscorides.

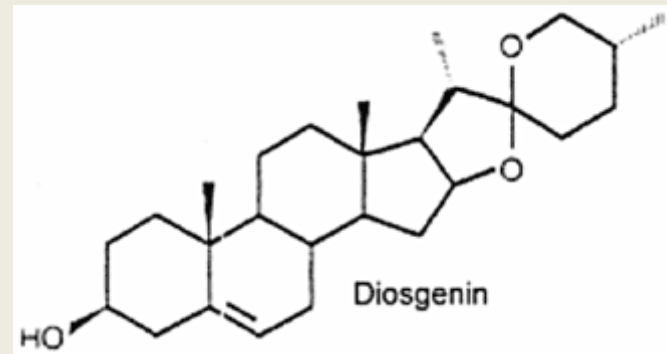
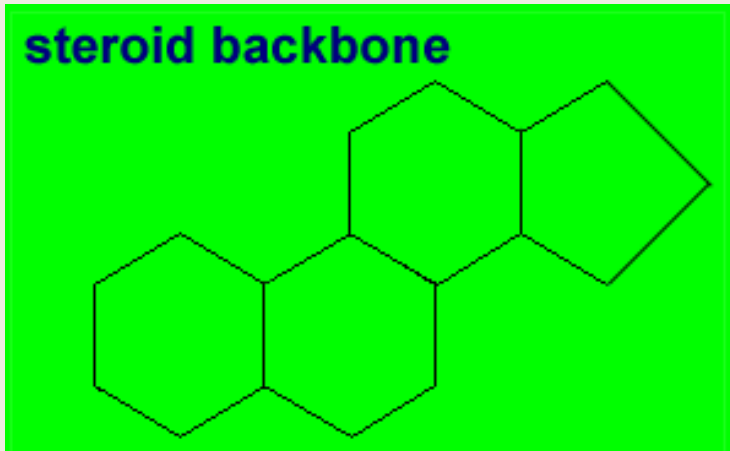
***Dioscorea mexicana***

**(Mexican yam)**

***Dioscorea sylvatica***

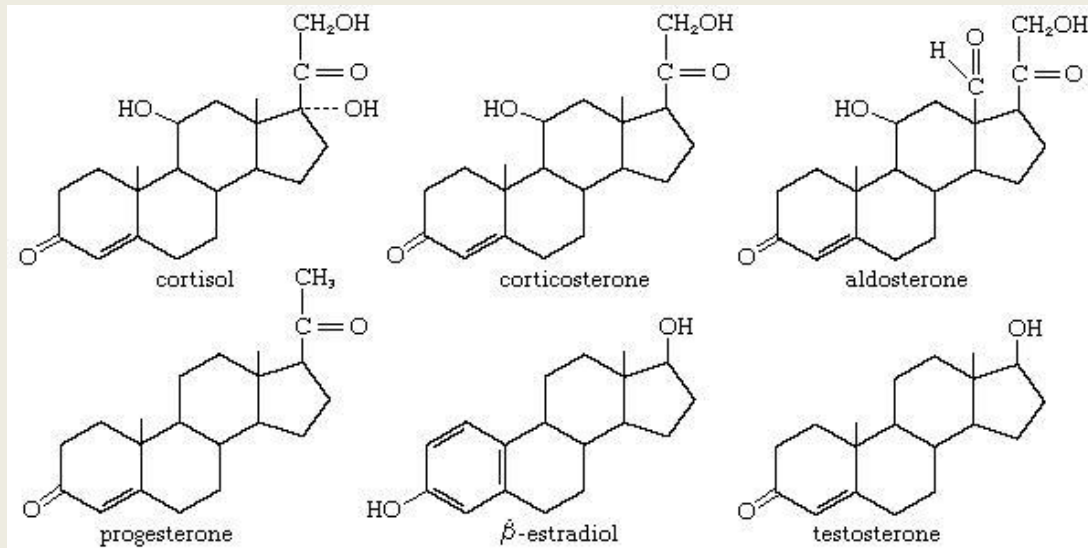
**(Elephant's foot)**

*Dioscorea spp.* yields **diosgenin** (a steroidal saponoside). This saponoside is the precursor in the synthesis of corticosteroids.



**Steroid hormone**, any of a group of hormones that belong to the class of chemical compounds known as steroids; they are secreted by three “steroid glands”—the **adrenal cortex**, **testes**, and **ovaries**—and during pregnancy by the **placenta**.

**They are transported through the bloodstream to the cells of various target organs where they carry out the regulation of a wide range of physiological functions.**





**Corticosteroids, often known as steroids, are **anti-inflammatory medicines** prescribed for a wide range of conditions.**

They're a man-made version of hormones normally produced by the adrenal glands (two small glands that sit on top of the kidneys).

**Corticosteroids are available in different forms, including:**

**tablets (oral steroids)**

**injections – which can be into blood vessels, joints or muscles**

**inhalers – such as mouth or nasal sprays**

**lotions, gels or creams (topical steroids)**

What are corticosteroids used for?

Corticosteroids are mainly used to reduce inflammation and suppress the immune system.

They are used to treat conditions such as:

[asthma](#)

[allergic rhinitis](#) and [hay fever](#)

[urticarial \(hives\)](#)

[atopic eczema](#)

[chronic obstructive pulmonary disease \(COPD\)](#)

painful and inflamed joints, muscles and tendons

[lupus](#)

[inflammatory bowel disease \(IBD\)](#) – including [Crohn's disease](#) and

[ulcerative colitis](#)

[giant cell arteritis](#) and [polymyalgia rheumatica](#)

[multiple sclerosis \(MS\)](#)

Corticosteroids can also be used to replace certain hormones that are not being produced by the body naturally – for example, in people with [Addison's disease](#).

## POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Corticosteroids will only be prescribed if the potential benefits of treatment outweigh the risks. **They will also be prescribed at the lowest effective dose for the shortest possible time.**

There aren't usually any severe side effects if you take steroid injections, a steroid inhaler, or a short course of steroid tablets. However, prolonged treatment at high doses – particularly with steroid tablets – can cause problems in some people.

Potential side effects of long-term treatment include:

increased appetite – potentially leading to weight gain

[acne](#)

thinned skin that bruises easily

increased risk of infections

mood changes, mood swings and [depression](#)

[diabetes](#)

[high blood pressure](#)

[osteoporosis \(weak and brittle bones\)](#)

withdrawal symptoms caused by suppression of the adrenal glands

**Fam: Amaryllidaceae**

***Galanthus sp.***

**(Snowdrop; Kardelen)**

***Galanthus elwesii***

**(Giant snowdrop)**

***Galanthus ikariae***

**Contains galantamine (alkaloid)  
It is used in Alzheimer's disease\*.**

**(\* Alzheimer's disease: A disease marked by the loss of cognitive ability, generally over a period of 10 to 15 years, and associated with the development of abnormal tissues and protein deposits in the cerebral cortex)**

In the 1950s it all seems to have begun when a Bulgarian pharmacologist noticed people rubbing their foreheads with snowdrops (probably the leaves or the bulbs, not the flowers, because it's the leaves and bulbs that contain galantamine) to ease pain.

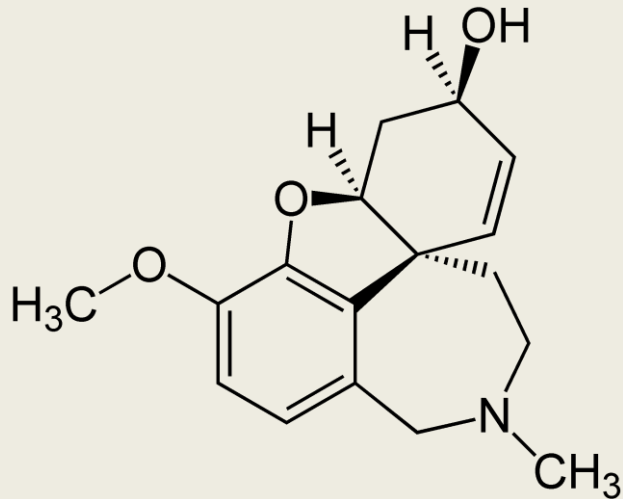
This had probably been a common practice for a long time, but his observation brought it to scientists' attention.

In medical practice throughout Eastern Europe, the compound came to be used for the alleviation of neuromuscular ailments, such as neuritis and neuralgia. Evidence also shows that galantamine was used for treating neurological conditions such as post-polio paralysis and myasthenia gravis\*.

Indications that the compound enhances neurotransmission in the brain led to its being used to treat poliomyelitis, and this has been its primary use in Eastern Europe for the last half-century.

\* **Myasthenia gravis** is characterized by weakness and rapid fatigue of any of the muscles under your voluntary control. ■

They showed that galantamine acts as an **acetylcholinesterase inhibitor**.



galantamine

That led to the publication, in 1951, of a paper by two Russians, who gave the first pharmacological description of galantamine.

Galantamine keeps acetylcholinesterase from breaking down acetylcholine, temporarily leading to increased memory function, dream recall and lucidity.



## **Acetylcholinesterase inhibitor**

a molecule that helps maintain normal levels of the neurotransmitter **acetylcholine** in the brain, by inhibiting the action of the enzyme that attacks it.

**Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors** have become the dominant form of therapy for Alzheimer's disease, which is characterized by deficits in cholinergic (acetylcholine-based) function.

We now know that **galantamine**—unlike other anti-Alzheimer's agents—has an additional mode of cholinergic action that gives it a distinct edge in efficacy, especially in the long term.

# Commercialization Of Galantamine

**Galantamine was first used (as Nivalin) for the treatment of Alzheimer's in 1996, and in that year, the first patent on a synthetic process for the compound was issued to an Austrian company, Sanochemia Pharmazeutika.**

Subsequent commercialization of galantamine was undertaken by a **Belgian company, Janssen Pharmaceutica** (a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson), and a **British company, Shire Pharmaceuticals Group.**

In 2000 the compound emerged under the new trade name **Reminyl®**, and in 2001 the FDA approved its use for the treatment of mild to moderate cases of Alzheimer's disease in the United States.

The following year, 1952, saw publication of a paper describing the first isolation and identification of galantamine, an alkaloid, as a unique chemical compound. (Determining the molecular structure of a natural substance is essential for enabling chemists to devise strategies for synthesizing it from scratch.)

Much research on galantamine by Russian and Bulgarian scientists followed during the 1950s and beyond. In 1958 it was commercialized in Bulgaria under the trade name Nivalin®.

GENERIC NAME: GALANTAMINE -  
ORAL (ga-LAN-ta-meen)

*BRAND NAME(S): Razadyne, Reminyl*

USES: [Galantamine](#) is used to treat mild to moderate [confusion](#) ([dementia](#)) related to [Alzheimer's disease](#).

It does not cure [Alzheimer's disease](#), but it may improve memory, awareness, and the ability to perform daily functions.

This medication works by restoring the balance of certain natural substances (neurotransmitters) in the brain.

The natural source of galantamine are certain species of [daffodil](#) and because these species are scarce and because the isolation of galanthamine from daffodil is expensive (a 1996 figure specifies 50,000 [US dollar](#) per kilogram, the yield from daffodil is 0.1-0.2% dry weight) alternative synthetic sources are under development by means of [total synthesis](#).

***Leucojum aestivum***  
**(Spring Snowflake, Gölsoğanı)**

Contains galantamine.

Exported

***Agave* spp**

Contains **hecogenin**

**Fam: Iridaceae**

**(Iris family, Süsengiller)**

***Iris* sp. (Iris, Süsen)**

***Iris florentina***

***Iris pallida***

***Iris germanica***



These species yield **Rhizoma Iridis (Iridis rhizoma)**

T.K. (Orris root, Menekşe kökü).

Contains **volatile oil** and **mucilage**.

Used in perfumery.

# ***Crocus sativus*** (Saffron crocus, Safran)

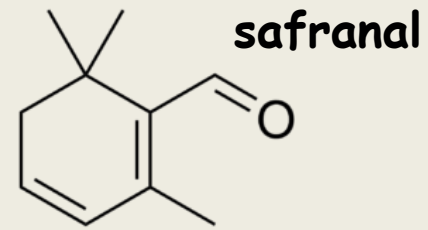
**Yields **Crocus** T.K. (safran).**

**The drug consists of 3 lobed stigmas of the flower collected during flowering period.**

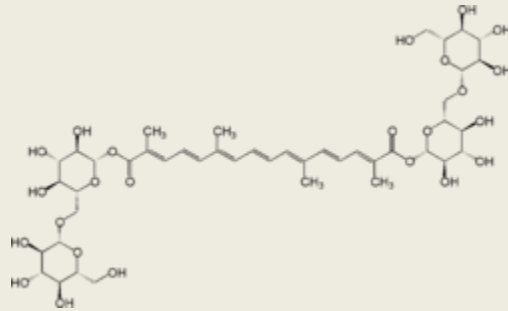
**Safranal** gives the characteristic odor of the drug.

The red-orange color of the drug comes from the compound called

**crocin.**



crocin



**Has emmenagogue effect, if consumed in high amounts,  
may lead to abortion.**

**Used in food industry, especially in the  
preparation of desserts.**

# **Order: Microspermae (Gynandreae, Orchidales)**

**Lacks chlorophyll, epiphyte plants  
Aerial roots absorb the ambient humidity.**

**Perigonium is petaloid, one large  
tepal developed into a labellum,  
usually with spurs.**

**Subfamily**

**Monandrae with 1 stamen**

**Subfamily**

**Diandrae with 2 stamens**

**Pollination is via bugs  
(entemogamous plants).**

# **Fam: Orchidaceae**

**These species has a main and a daughter tuber. The main tuber gives this year's plant and the daughter tuber gives the next year's plant.**

***Orchis anatolica***

(Anatolian orchid, Anadolu orkidesi, Salep)

***Ophrys apifera*** (Bee orchid)

***Serapias* sp.**

***Anacamptis* sp.**



***Ophrys*, *Serapias*, *Aceras*, *Anacamptis*, *Dactylorhiza* species are called salep in Turkish.**

Daughter tubers of these perennial, herbaceous plants are removed while the plant still is in flowering time, dried and the drug called **Tubera Salep (Salep Tubera) (T.K.) (Salep yumrusu) is obtained.**

Contains 40-50% mucilage and starch, used as emollient.

**Salep species can only propagate via their tubers, therefore collecting them completely threatens their survival.**

# *Vanilla planifolia* (Vanilla, Vanilya)

The only climbing species of the family.

Grows in the tropics and is being cultivated in many countries including Mexico.

The fruit is a cylindrical, fleshy capsule. It is collected while still green.

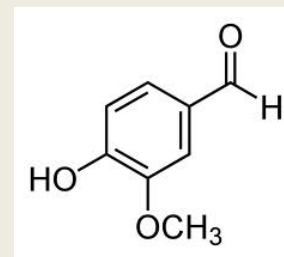
Then it is left to fermentation (kept one day in a dry and the other day in a moist environment), so vanillin forms.

Blackish, shiny drug has characteristic vanilla odor.

After this fermentation, the drug called **Fructus Vanilla** (**Vanillae fructus**) T.K. (**Vanilya meyvası**) is obtained.

Used in perfumery and also is an appetizer (due to its odor).

Vanillin is obtained from these fruits.



# **Fam: Zingiberaceae**

## **(Ginger family)**

**Perennial plants with fleshy and creeping rhizome or tuber, growing in the tropics.**

# ***Elettaria cardamomum***

**(Cardamom, kakule)**

**A big herbaceous  
plant with rhizomes  
growing in Asia and  
India.**

**Unripe fruits are collected to  
yield **Fructus Cardamomi**  
**(Cardamomi fructus)T.K. (kakule  
meyvesi).****

**Volatile oil containing seeds are  
used as stomachic (digestive) and  
for culinary purposes.**

# ***Zingiber officinale***

**(Ginger, Zencefil)**

**Gives the drug named **Rhizoma Zingiberis (Zingiberis rhizoma) (Ginger)**.**

**Powdered drug has been recommended for carsickness recently.**

**Zingiberis rhizoma is used as digestive**

# *Curcuma longa*

(Turmeric, Zerdeçal)

Cultivated in India and tropical Asia.

Rhizoma Curcumae (Curcumae longae rhizoma)

The drug contains  
**curcumin**

**It gives the color and odor of the spice called **Curry (Köri)****

**Usage in foods is  
widespread in India and  
Southeast Asia.**

***Curcuma zedoaria* (Zedoary, Cedvar)**

***Rhizoma Zedoariae (Zedoariae rhizoma)***

**The drug *Rhizoma Zedoariae* (Cedvar) is  
used as spice**



# ***Alpinia officinarum* (Lesser galangan, Havlican)**

**Rhizoma Galangae (Galangae rhizoma)**

**Rhizoma Galangae (Galangae rhizoma) (Havlican) is used as spice.**