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**Chemical Constituents of Centaurea** cuneifolia

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Abstract: The whole plant material fo Centaurea cuneifolia Sm. afforded three chem@tubitak.gov.tr sesquiterpene lactones; cnicin (1), dehydromelitensin (2) and dehydromelitensin-8-[(2'-α-hydroxy-βhydroxyethyl)-acryloyl)] (3), the lignan; (-)arctigenin (4), flavonoids; salvigenin (5), eupatilin (6), jaceosidin (7), acacetin (8), kaemferol (9), 5,7,4'-trihydroxy-3methylether (10), 5-hydroxy-3',',6,7tetramethoxyflavone (11) and 5-hydroxy-3',4',7,8-tetramet hoxyflavone (12), a triterpene;  $\alpha$ -amyrin and a sterol;  $\beta$ -