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Chromatographic Determination of Phenolic Acids in the Snowdrop by HPLC

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<u>Abstract:</u> Free and esterified phenolic acids of Galanthus elwesii (snowdrop) were extracted with petroleum ether and determined by HPLC. Cinnamic, ferulic, vanillic, p-coumaric, p-hydroxy benzoic, and caffeic acids were detected by a linear gradient elution with acetic acid/water (2:98 v/v) and acetic acid/acetonitrile/water (2:30:68 v/v) as the mobile phases in 30 min with a flow rate of 1.5 mL/min. Among the acids from snowdrop extracts, p-hydroxy benzoic was the major constituent followed by vanillic and ferulic acids.



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