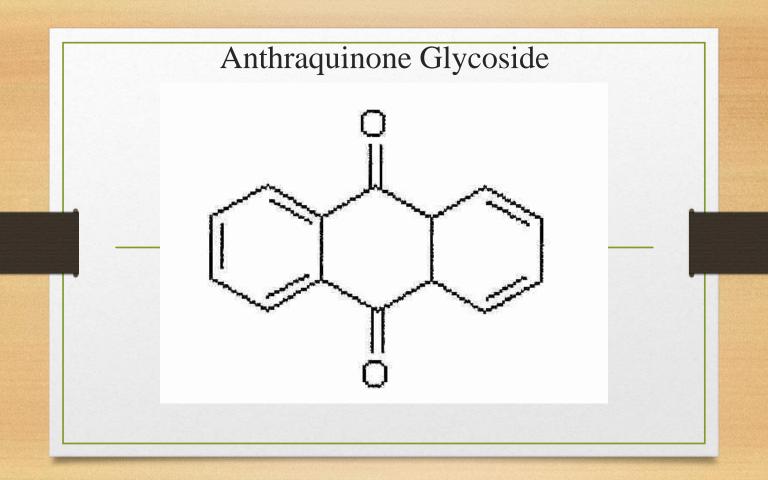
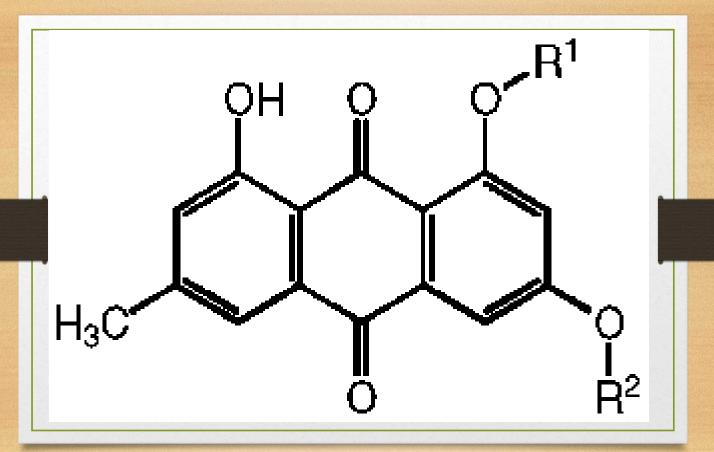
GLYCOSIDES

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Introduction to Anthraquinones

Historically: Rhubarb, Senna, Aloes and

.Cascara were all used as purgative drugs

.Monocotyledons: Only Liliaceae

.Most commonly C-glycoside: barbaloin

Dicotyledons: Rubiaceae, Leguminosae,

Polygonaceae, Rhamnaceae, Ericaceae,

Euphorbiaceae, Lythraceae, Saxifragaceae,

Scrophulariaceae and Verbenacacea. Also in certain fungi

and lichen

Reduced derivatives of anthraquinones
Oxanthrones, anthranols and anthrones –
Compounds formed by the union of 2
anthrone molecules
Dianthrones

Chrysophanol/Chrysophanic acid
.Rhubarb and Senna

:Aglycones

Rhein, Rhubarb and Senna Aloe-emodin, Rhubarb and Senna Emodin, Rhubarb and Cascara

Anthraquinones – Chemical Properties

Filter –

Add ammonia/caustic —
Shake, pink, red or violet colour — positive for —
anthraquinone derivatives

If the Anthraquinones are reduced (within the herb) or —
stable (glycosides) test will be negative

Anthranonls and Anthrones

Reduced anthraquinone derivatives
.Occur either freely (aglycones) or as glycosides
.Isomers

Anthrone: Parent structure (pale yellow, non-soluble in alkali, non-fluorescent)

Anthronol:(brown-yellow, soluble in alkali, strongly fluorescent)

Anthronol derivatives (e.g. in Aloe – have similar – properties – fluorescence used for identification)

Senna - Leguminosae

Definition: Consists
of the dried leaflets of

Cassia senna
(Alexandrian senna),
or Cassia angustifolia
(Tinnevelly senna)

Senna - Constituents

Senna consist four types of glycosides •Sennoside A,
Sennoside B, Sennoside C, Sennoside D

In their active costituents are sennoside A,sennosides B
Upon hydrolysis of sennosides it gives two molecules
glucose+aglycones: Sennidin A and Sennidin B
Sennoside C & Sennoside D •
Rhein
Aloe-emodin

Palmidin A (Rhubarb)

Senna – Constituents

Kaempferol (yellow flavanol)
glucoside +
kaempferin
Mucilage

Calcium oxalates Resin

Cascara Bark- Rhamnaceae

Definition: Official cascara sagrada is the dried bark of *Rhamnus purshianus*. Bark is

collected from wild trees depletion is leading to the increase of cultivation

Cascara Bark – Constituents

Four main glycosides – Called •
Cascarosides
Cascaroside A – Cascaroside B –

Cascaroside C — Cascaroside D — O-glycosides , Derived from Emodin — Emodin oxanthrone — Aloe emodin — chrysophanol

Cascara Bark - Uses

Purgative
Similar to Senna
Normally as a tablet
Also used on animals

Rhubarb - Polygonaceae

Definition: Rhubarb/Chinese •

Rhubarb is the rhizome of *Rheum palmatum*.

Rhubarb - Constituents

Free anthraquinones:
chrysophanol, emodin, aloe.
emodin and rhein
Some of the above constituents
.may also occur as glycosides

Rhubarb - Uses

Bitter stomachic
Diarrhoea (low doses)— contains tannins
Purgative (high doses) followed
by an astringent effect
Suitable only for occasional for
occasional use, not for chronic constipation

Thank you.....