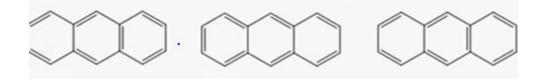
Anthraquinones glycosides



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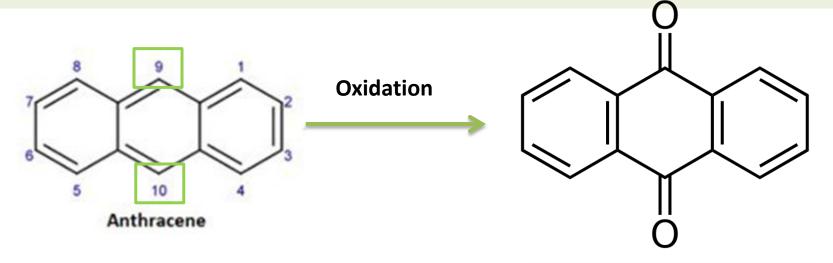
• Anthraquinones are glycosides have aglycon related to anthracene are present in many crude drugs as **Aloe** and **Rhubarb** used as laxative. The basic structure of anthracene.



Anthraquinone Glycosides

□ Anthraquinone:

Oxidation of anthracene nucleus at position 9 and 10 give di keto compound called Anthraquinone.



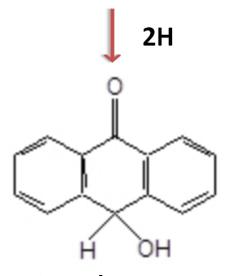
9,10- di keto anthracene

Anthraquinone

The relationships between the oxidized and reduced forms of the anthraquinone nucleus are:

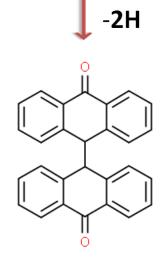
Reduction and oxidation anthraquinone

Anthraquinone



Oxanthrone

Anthrone



dianthrone

The derivatives of anthraginone are:

1. chrysophanol

It is dihydroxy phenols at position 1 and 8 and methyl group at position 3.

1,8- dihydroxy-3- methyl anthraquinone

2. Aloe- emodin:

It is dihydroxy phenol at position 1 and 8 and hydroxy methyl group at position3

OH OH CH₂OH

1,8- dihydroxy-3- hydroxy methyl anthraquinone

3. Rhein:

It is di hydroxy phenols at positions 1 and 8 and carboxylic acid (-COOH)at position 3

1,8-dihdroxy-3-carboxy anthraquinone

4. Emodin:

It is tri hydroxy phenol at positions 1,6 and 8 and methyl group at position 3.

1,6,8- trihydroxy-3-methyl anthraquinone

Anthrone and anthranol These reduced anthraquinone derivatives found either free or combined as glycosides. They are isomeric and one may be partially converted to an other in solution.

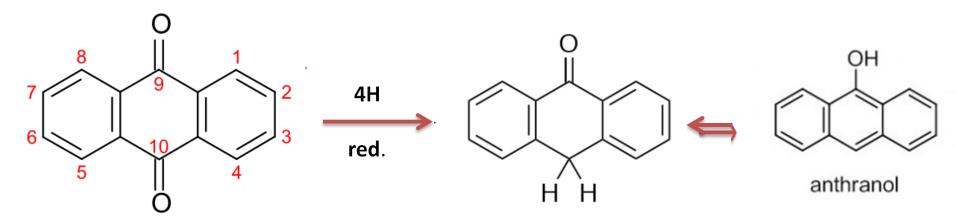
The parent substance anthrone is apale yellow, non-flurescent substance which is insoluble in alkali, its isomer fluorescent solution in alkali.

Oxanthrones:

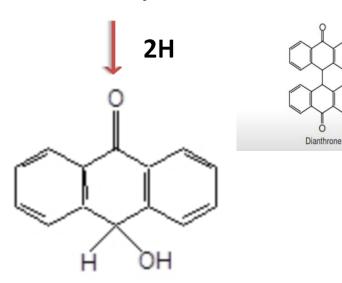
These are intermediate products between anthraquinones and anthranols.

Reduction and oxidation anthraquinone

Dianthranol

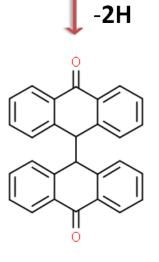


Anthraquinone



Oxanthrone

Anthrone



Emodin Dianthrone

Dianthrones: these are compounds derived from two anthrone molecules which may be identical or different.

Anthraquinones and reduced derivatives (oxanthrones, anthranols and anthrones) and compound derived from two anthrone molecules (dianthrone) found either free or combined with sugar as glycosides.

☐ The sugar residue is important for pharmacological effect...Glycosylation is also important (sugar moiety serves to transport the aglycone to the site of action in the large intestine). Act as prodrugs

Anthraquinone Glycoside

There are two types of glycosides formed

oxygen

O-glycosides when sugar attached to the oxygen of phenol or alcohol in the anthraquinone aglycon and its derivatives.

OH O OH
CH2OH

Sugar-O O OH
CH₂O -Sugar

aloe-emodin

O-glycosides

alcohol oxygen

Anthraquinone Glycoside

C 10

 □ C-glycosides when sugar attach to carbon ion of the reduced anthraquinone derivatives at position 10

C & O anthrone glycoside

Anthraquinone Glycoside

☐ Pharmacological activity:

The anthraquinone and related glycosides are stimulant cathartics and exert their action by increasing the tone of the smooth muscle in the wall of the colon. Also it stimulate the secretion of water and electrolyte into the large intestine.

Plants containing anthraquinone glycosides

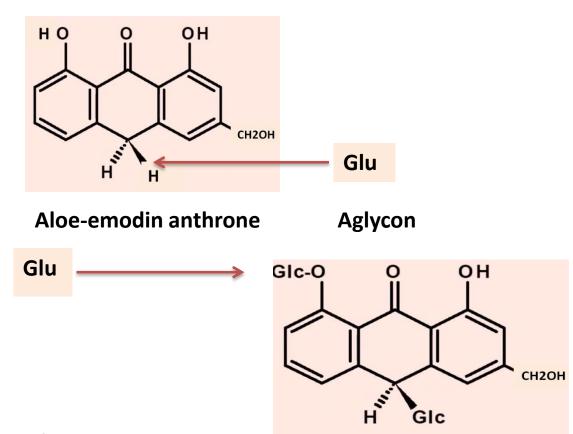
□Cascara bark:

It is dried bark of *Rhamnus purshinanus*

F: Rhamnaceae

Constituents:

four primary glycosides or cascarosides (A,B,C,and D) that contain both O-and C-glycosidic linkages, and free anthraquinones



H O O OH CH2OH

C-glycoside

Barbaloin (is C-glycoside of Aloe-emodin anthrone)

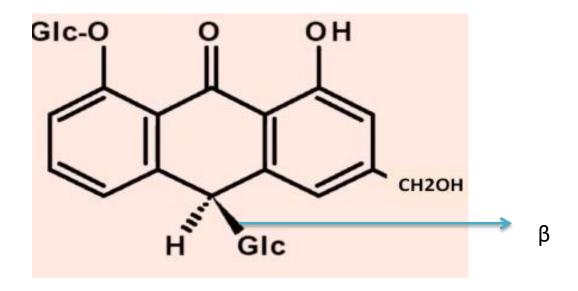
Secondary glycoside

O and C-glycoside

Cascaroside A and B

Primary glycoside

Cascaroside A and B hydrolysis to secondary glycoside (barbaloin) which after hydrolysis convert to aglycon Aloe-emodin anthrone



Cascaroside A and B

Cascaroside A& B:

- -A in β-configuration.
- -B in α-configuration

Cascaroside C &D:

- -C in β-configuration.
- -D in α-configuration

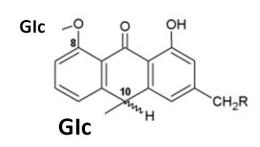


Hyd.

Chrysophanol anthrone

OH Glc

C-glycoside Chrysaloin (is C- glycoside of **Chrysophanol anthrone**



Aglycon

O and C-glycoside

Cascaroside C and D

2- senna leaf

Senna is the fruit (pod) or leaf of the plant cassia acutifolia It is approved in the US as a laxative for short-term treatment of constipation

F: Leguminaseae

Constituents

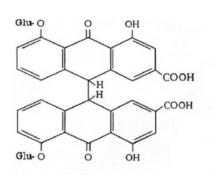
1- the principle active constituents of senna are dimeric glycosides:

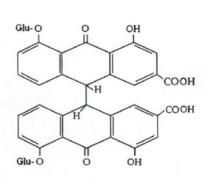
Sennoside A and B which are pair of stereoisomer whose aglycones are rhein homo dianthrones that present in greatest concentration

Red.

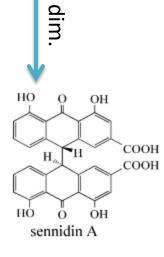
Rhein

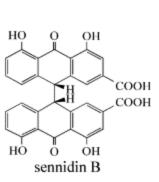
Rhein anthrone





glu

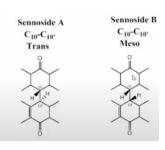




Sennoside B

SennosideA

one beta_ other α



Bothß

2- Sennidin C and D which composed of aloeemodin and rhein

Sennoside C

Rhein

aloe-emodin

Sennoside A and C (H) on a different side Sennoside B and D (H) On similar side

3- Aloe species Aloe vera

Aloin, also known as barbaloin



OH OH CH₂OH
$$CH_2OH$$
 CH_2OH Barbaloin

4- Frangula bark

consists of the dried, whole or fragmented bark of the stems and branches of *Rhamnus frangula L*

The constituents with known therapeutic activity of frangula bark are emodin-di- and mono-glycosides. the diglycosides glucofrangulin and the monoglycosides frangulins

Present of high concentration of anthrone glycosides may cause emesis & bloody diarrhea So drug must be stored longer before use (for 1 year, or dried at 100°C for 2 h), because the fresh bark contains highly active anthrones that are converted by oxidation to the less active form (anthraquinone)

Hydrolysis of glucofrangulin yields frangulin and glucose while hydrolysis of frangulin gives frangula emodin and rhamnose.

Uses: - as a mild cathartic.

5- Rhubarb

Dried rhizomes of *Rheum palmatum* & other species of Rheum except *R. Rhaponticum* (fam: polygoniaceae)

Glycosides of the above listed aglycones

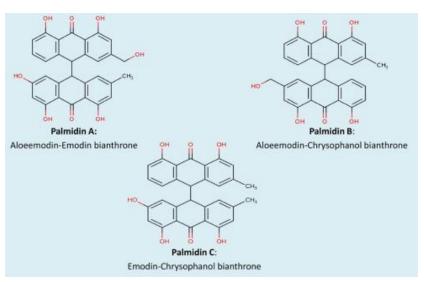
- a) Sennoside A,B
- b) Sennoside C,D











Contains Tannins:

Which counteract the laxative effect of rhubarb and make it mild laxative

Due to presence of tannin which produce astringent effect after laxative action (and antibacterial activity)



Long- term use of laxatives should be avoided, because it may produce a harmful effect on intestinal mucosa which leads to a condition known as melanosis coli (or pseudomelanosis).

This is usually observed after a minimum of 9-12 months of regular stimulant laxative use

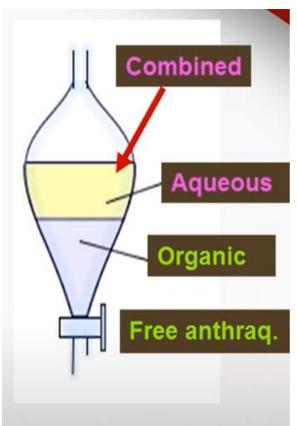


Tests for Identification of anthracene glycosides

Borntrager reaction: upon dissolving the anthraquinone in alkaline aqueous medium (KOH), a red color develops. This reaction is only positive with free anthraquinones.

Borntrager modified reaction:

The plant is powdered and extracted with hydroalcoholic solution. The aqueous phase is extracted with an organic solvent, which eliminates the free anthraquinone forms present.



Then aqueous solution is oxidized (FeCl₃) and hydrolyzed (HCl), the resulting anthraquinones are extracted by organic solvent.

