

## PP107. AChE-inhibitory properties and the chemical composition of *Salvia aethiopsis* L. essential oil

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Previously, the hydrodistilled essential oil of the aerial parts of *Salvia aethiopsis* L. (Lamiaceae) from Erzurum–Turkey was reported to contain germacrene D (29.0%),  $\alpha$ -copaene (19.8%),  $\beta$ -cubebene +  $\beta$ -elemene (9.9%), bicylogermacrene (9.3%),  $\delta$ -cadinene (8.7%), and  $\beta$ -caryophyllene (7.3%) [1]. The current study aims to provide information on the essential-oil composition of the aerial parts of *S. aethiopsis* from another location in Turkey. The plant material used in this study was collected from Tokat in June 2017. The essential oil was obtained by hydrodistillation (3 h) of air-dried aerial parts using a Clevenger-type apparatus, in a yield of 0.09 mL per 100 g of plant material. The essential oil was diluted with *n*-hexane 1:10 (v/v) and used as such for the GC-MS analysis. The essential oil was analyzed with an Agilent 5977 MSD GC-MS system operating in EI mode; injector and MS transfer line temperatures were set at 250 °C. Splitless injection was used in the analysis. Innowax FSC column (60 m x 0.25 mm, 0.25  $\mu$ m film thickness) and helium as the carrier gas (1 mL/min) were used in GC-MS analyses. The oven temperature program was: 60 °C for 10 min and then raised to 220 °C at a rate of 4 °C/min, afterwards the temperature was kept constant at 220 °C for 10 min and then raised to 240 °C at a rate of 1 °C/min. Mass spectra were recorded at 70 eV with the mass range *m/z* 35-425. Relative amounts of the separated compounds were calculated from the integration of the peaks in MS chromatograms. Identification of essential-oil components was carried out by comparison of their retention indices (RI), relative to a series of *n*-alkanes (C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>30</sub>), with the literature values, as well as by mass spectral comparison. Eighty-one compounds were identified comprising 90.1% of the detected oil constitutes. The main components of the oil of *S. aethiopsis* from Tokat were  $\alpha$ -copaene (17.8%), germacrene D (12.7%), bicylogermacrene (11.8%),  $\beta$ -caryophyllene (6.9%), and  $\delta$ -cadinene (4.3%). The results agreed generally with the literature ones except for the variation in the percentage of the main components. Additionally, AChE-inhibitory properties of the essential oil were investigated and the oil was demonstrated to inhibit 46.4±0.8% (*n* = 3) of AChE activity, at 1 mg/mL.

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