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Two Steroidal Alkaloids from *Fritillaria harelinii*.

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Two new steroidal alkaloids named harepermine and hareperminiside have been isolated from the bulbs of *Fritillaria harelinii* together with a known alkaloid, peiminine. The structure of the alkaloids were found to be 3β , 6β -dihydroxy- $5\alpha,14\alpha,17\beta$ -cevanine and its 3-*O*-glucoside on the basis of spectroscopic evidence.

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Complex Flavonoids from *Pityrogramma* Frond Exudates: Synthesis of Two Flavones with C-C Linked Dihydrocinnamoyl Substituents.

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Complex flavonoids that are typical for the frond exudate in ferns of the genus *Pityrogramma* are surveyed to demonstrate their close structure relation. Two such compounds, isolated earlier from the exudate of *Pityrogramma calomelanos* var. *aureoflava* are prepared by an unambiguous synthesis. Direct comparisons of the synthetic products, namely β -(5,7,4'-trihydroxy-8-yl)- β -phenylpropionic acid and its methyl ester, show them to be identical with the natural products. The structures deduced previously for these compounds by spectroscopic methods are thus confirmed.

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The Structure of Rehderianin I, a Correction. LIU MEI-LAN, LIANG XIAO-TIAN, MUNEKAZU IINUMA*, TOSHIYUKI TANAKA, MIZUO MIZUNO

The structure of a new flavone isolated from *Scutellaria rehderiana* and named rehderianin I was proposed to be 5,2',4'-trihydroxy-6,8-dimethoxyflavone (1). But the close re-investigation of the spectral data resulted in an alternation of the substitutional patterns in both A and B rings. By comparison of the synthetic samples of 1 and 5,2',5'-trihydroxy-7,8-dimethoxyflavone (2) with the naturally occurring flavone, the structure of rehderianin I was confirmed to be 2.