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Žepče, from natural serpentine complex in Central Bosnia and Herzegovina. The antioxidant capacity of the methanol extracts was evaluated by using the DPPH free-radical scavenging assay. Results obtained in this study have revealed that all extracts demonstrate good free-radical scavenging ability, but the extracts of *S. tuberosum* and *E. rubrum* leaves showed remarkably potent activity ( $IC_{50} = 0.08 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$  and  $0.19 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$ ), even higher than the substances used as suitable standards.

**Keywords:** Boraginaceae, DPPH, *Halacsya*, *Sympyrum*, *Echium*

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**Identification of phenolic compounds in cecidogen and *Linaria vulgaris*. Changes in phenolic metabolism during gall formation induced by *Rhinusa pilosa***

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*Rhinusa pilosa* (Gyllenhal) (Coleoptera, Curculionidae) induces galls in *Linaria vulgaris* Mill., Yellow or common toadflax (Plantaginaceae). Gall is defined as atypical plant growth induced by host-specific organisms, and represents larval chamber which provides food and protection during insect development. It has been shown that gall formation is triggered by ovoipositional fluid (cecidogen). In order to determine which cecidogen compounds may have bioactive properties, we performed comparative analysis of phenolics profiles of cecidogen and stem extracts of *L. vulgaris* using UHPLC coupled with OrbiTrap mass analyzer. In addition, we analyzed the effects of feeding, oviposition and early gall development on Class III peroxidase activity (POD, EC 1.11.1.7) and phenolic content in the stems of *L. vulgaris* during seven days. Out of 55 phenolic compounds identified in cecidogen and *L. vulgaris* stem, one unknown phenolic glycoside was found only in cecidogen, which produced an  $MS^2$  base peak at  $387 \text{ m/z}$ , and  $327 \text{ m/z}$  and  $267 \text{ m/z}$  base peaks at  $MS^3$  and  $MS^4$  fragmentation, respectively. Gall development during seven days was accompanied by decreased concentrations of hydroxybenzoic, hydroxycinnamic acids and flavonoids and by slight lignin deposition. An oscillatory induction of POD activity, with the first peak obtained 3 h after oviposition, was related to oxidative burst during stem wounding and oviposition. Overall results suggested the importance of phenolics in stem structural changes and regulation of plant metabolism induced by *R. pilosa*.

**Keywords:** cecidogen, gall, *Rhinusa pilosa*, *Linaria vulgaris*, phenolics