

# GLYCOSIDES

## Cardio active glycosides

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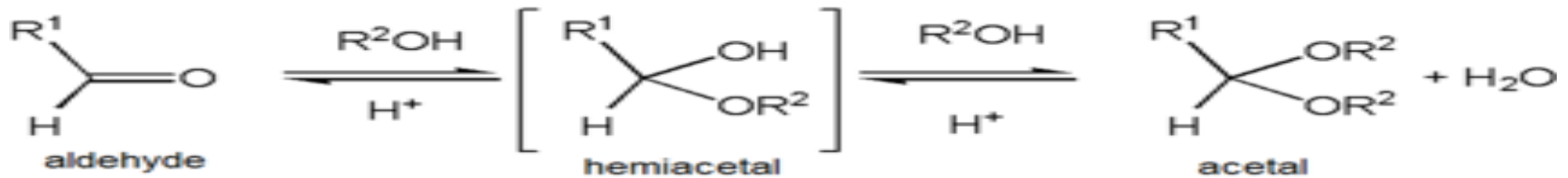


# Lab. 1



# Introduction

- ❖ Glycosides are compounds that yield on hydrolysis , one or more sugar .
- ❖ The sugar part is known as **Glycone** and the non-sugar part is the **Aglycone** or called **Genin**.
- ❖ Chemically the glycosides are **Acetals** which is a molecule with two single-bonded oxygen atoms attached to the same carbon atom.



- ❖ Two forms of glycosides are present the **α-form** and the **β-form**, but the β-form is the one that occurs in plants .

- ❖ Glycosides are soluble in water and alcohols.
- ❖ Inside the body the glycoside will be cleaved to glycone and aglycone parts.
- ❖ **Glycone part (Sugar):** water soluble, insoluble in the organic solvents.
- ❖ Increase number of sugars increase water solubility.
- ❖ **Aglycone part:** water insoluble, soluble in the organic solvents.

❖ Glycosides hydrolyzed by using mineral acids and temperature or by using enzymes such as:

❖ Emolsin enzyme which is present in Bitter almond seeds.



❖ Myrosin or Myrosinase enzyme which is present in black mustard seeds.



## **Generally in the extraction of the glycosides we need the following points**

- ❖ A polar solvent, which is mostly alcohol, but not water, since water may induce fermentation , in addition water needs high temperatures due to its high boiling point.
- ❖ Neutralization of the extract with base, since the presence of acid lead to hydrolysis of the glycoside.

# CARDIO ACTIVE GLYCOSIDES

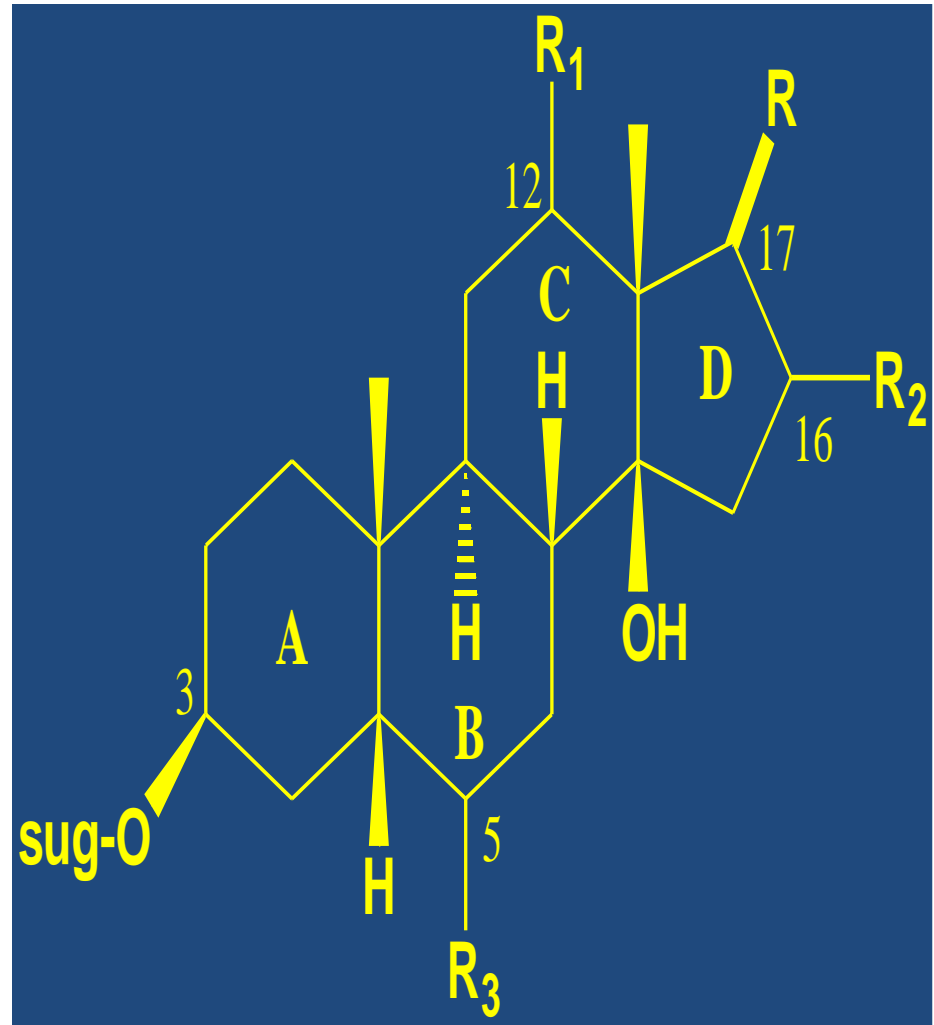
- ❖ They are named as cardio active glycosides due to their action on the heart muscle.
- ❖ The aglycone part here is a steroid. Which is chemically cyclopenta phenanthrene .
- ❖ The steroidal aglycones are two types:
  - 1) Cardenolide ( $\alpha$ - $\beta$  unsaturated-5 member lactones' ring).
  - 2) Bufadienolide(doubly unsaturated 6-member lactones' ring)
- ❖ The more prevalent in nature is the cardenolide type.

For maximum activity of the cardio active glycosides the following points are important :

- ❖ 3 $\beta$ -OH group involved in glycosidic linkage.
- ❖ 14 $\beta$ -OH group at C-14.
- ❖ A/B ring junction *cis*
- ❖ B/C ring junction *trans*
- ❖ C/D ring junction *cis*

*Cis* means on the same side.

*Trans* means on the other side or across .



❖ **The presence of lactone ring at 17-β:**

According to the type of lactone ring  
Cardiac Glycosides are classified into:

**1) Cardinolides:**

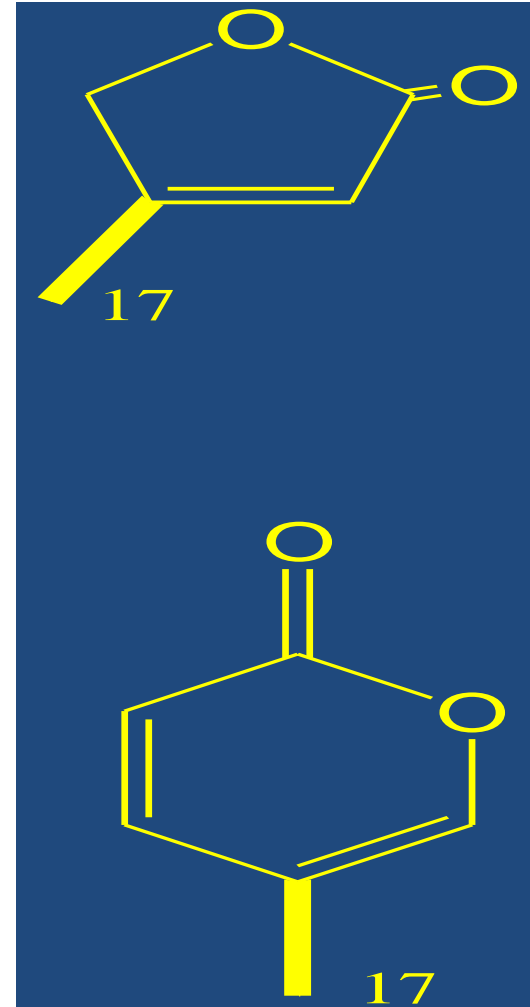
Containing 5-membered unsaturated  
lactone ring

e.g. *Digitalis* .

**2) Bufadienolides:**

Containing 6-membered unsaturated  
lactone ring

e.g. *Squill*





# Plants containing cardio active glycosides

## 1) Digitalis (digitalis or fox glove) *Digitalis purpurea* .

- ❖ The family **Scrophulariaceae**.
- ❖ The name digitalis is from the Latin digitus which means finger refers to finger- shaped.
- ❖ While purpurea refers to the purple color of the their flower.
- ❖ This plant contains a number of glycosides as digitoxin , gitoxin and gitaloxin.



2) *Digitalis lanata* of the same family, from which the digoxin is obtained.

3) *Nerium oleander* of the family Apocyanaceae. Here the glycoside is oleanderin .

# Aim: To isolate the cardioactive glycosides.

## Equipment and Reagents

- Large beaker & two medium size beakers.
  - Two conical flasks.
  - Centrifuge & Centrifuge tubes.
  - Separatory funnel.
  - Water bath.
- 70% ethanol.
  - Lead sub acetate.
  - 10% sodium phosphate solution.
  - Chloroform: Ethanol (3:1 v/v).
  - Anhydrous sodium sulphate.
  - 4N HCl acid.
  - Chloroform.

# Procedure

Maceration **10 gm** of the powdered leaf in **100 ml** of 70% ethanol for **24 hrs.** (Prepared previously)

Take **10 ml** of alc. Extract in conical flask

↓  
Add

**10 ml** of lead sub acetate solution  
(Mixing & standing for **5 min.s.**)

↓  
Centrifuge  
(**5 min.s.**)

Decant and take the supernatant (upper layer)

↓  
Add

**10 ml** of 10% sodium phosphate solution

↓  
Centrifuge  
(**5 min.s.**)

Take supernatant and divide in to **two** divisions

## Fraction A

Take one division and put in a separatory funnel

↓ Add

[**10 ml** of **Chloroform: Ethanol** (3:1 v/v)] two times

↓ (Shake & stand)

Combine the organic lower layer and put it in the conical flask

↓ Add

Small quantity of Anhydrous sod. Sulphate & allow standing for few minutes until get a clear solution, decant the Chloroform-ethanol extract and reduce the volume on water bath to get the whole glycoside.

## Fraction B

Place the other division of the extract in the conical flask

↓  
*Add*

**3 ml** of 4N HCl

↓  
*Boiling in water bath*  
**(15 min<sub>s</sub>)**

Cool & transfer to a separatory funnel

↓  
*Add*

**[10 ml** of Chloroform] tow times

*Combine the chloroform extracts (lower layers)*

↓  
*Add*

Small quantity of Anhydrous sod. Sulphate & allow standing for few minutes until get a clear solution then decant the chloroform layer and concentrated on water bath to about 1ml. and we get the aglycone part.

# Additions in the procedure

- ❖ **Lead sub acetate** is added to precipitate tannins and other unwanted material.
- ❖ **10% sodium phosphate** solution is added to take the excess of lead sub acetate.
- ❖ Use of **chloroform-ethanol** in partition is due to the fact that the chloroform will take the genin part while the ethanol will take the glycoside there will be no loss in the glycoside.
- ❖ **Anhydrous sodium sulphate** is added in during mixture since the anhydrous form will act as an adsorbent.
- ❖ **4N HCL** is used to hydrolyze the glycoside to glycone and aglycone parts.
- ❖ Use of **chloroform** alone is to extract the genin part So fraction A, will contain the whole glycoside, while fraction B will contain only the genin part.

# The Chemical Tests

## 1. Baljet's Test:

**Aim:** The identification of the cardio active glycosides.

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### **Equipment & Reagents:**

- Test tube.
- Picric Acid.
- Sodium hydroxide solution.

### **Procedure:**

Take **1ml** of fraction A, add **2 drops** of **Picric acid** then make it alkaline with Sod. Hydroxide solution. (litmus paper).

### **Results:**

Turbid , yellow to orange in color.



## 2. Keller- Killian's Test

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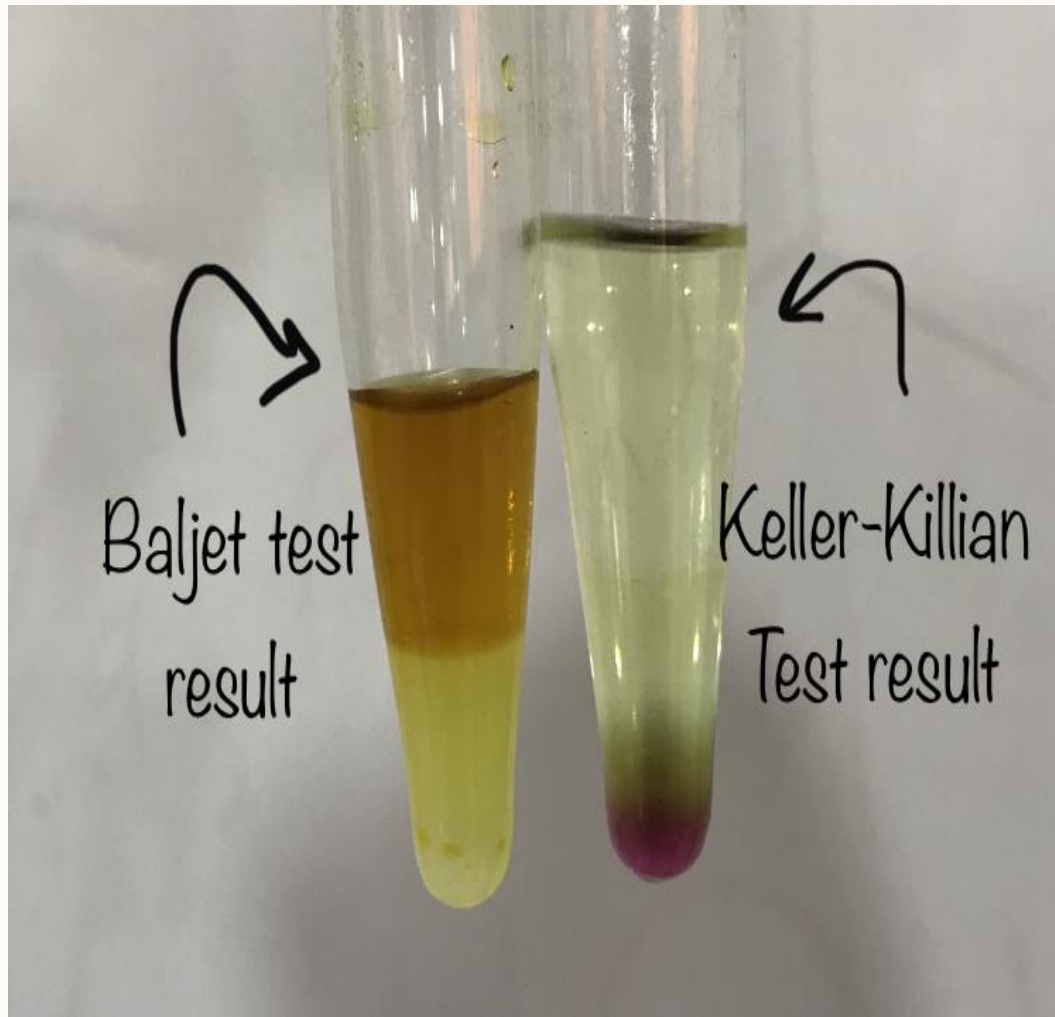
### ***Equipment & Reagents:***

- Test tube.
- Glacial acetic acid
- 0.1 % of ferric chloride solution.
- Conc.  $H_2SO_4$ .

### ***Procedure:***

Take **1ml** of fraction A, and **2ml** of **glacial acetic acid**, add **1 drop** of **0.1 % of ferric chloride solution**. Take **1ml** of conc.  **$H_2SO_4$**  and add to the above mixture in drops to make two layers.

**Results:** Two layers are formed; the upper one has **light bright green** color. The lower layer has transparent clear color ( $H_2SO_4$  layer). The junction appears as a **reddish –brown** ring.



The chemical tests results



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