Class 7

Analysis medicinal plant material containing chromones and lignans

PURPOSE OF THE STUDY:

- 1. To learn to recognise medicinal plants containing chromones and lignans by external characters and distinguish them from impurities.
- 2. To be able to establish the authenticity and good quality of medicinal plants containing chromones and lignans.

QUESTIONS:

- 1. Characterisation of chromones.
- 2. Medicinal plants and raw materials containing chromones:
- ammi dentifrice,
- dill.
- 3. Lignans. Concept. Classification.
- 4. Physico-chemical properties of lignans.
- 5. Distribution in the plant world. Localisation.
- 6. Medicinal plants and raw materials containing lignans: Eleutherococcus prickly; Chinese lemongrass.

Work 1. Morphological and anatomical analysis of raw materials of dill.

- 1. Study the herbarium of the producing plant, identify diagnostic features for its recognition.
 - 2. Describe the raw materials.
- 3. Make thin transverse sections of the fruit, react for woody elements, examine in chloral hydrate solution.
 - 4. Examine the chemical composition of the raw material. Indicate its standardisation.
 - 5. Specify the pharmacological action and application of raw materials.

Work 2. Morphological and anatomical analysis of the raw material of Ammi dentalis

- 1. Study the herbarium of the producing plant, identify the diagnostic features for its recognition and write them down in a notebook.
 - 2. Describe the raw material according to the diagram. Make a drawing.

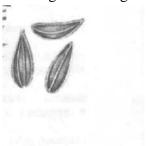


Fig. 1. Fruits of Ammi dentalis

- 3. Study the FS section "microscopy", write down the diagnostic features in a notebook.
- 4. Write the chemical composition of raw materials.
- 5. Specify the pharmacological action and use of raw materials.

Work 3: Study of macroscopic features of raw materials of Chinese lemongrass.

- 1. Study the producing plant from herbarium specimens and tables.
- 2 Describe the raw material, highlight the diagnostic features to recognise it.
- 3. Conclude the authenticity of the raw material from external signs.
- 4. Write down the chemical composition of the raw material.
- 5. State the uses of the raw material.

Work 4. Study of medicinal plant raw materials "eleutherococcus prickly rhizomes and roots".

- 1 Examine the producing plant from herbarium specimens and tables. 2.
- 2 Describe the raw material, highlighting diagnostic features for its recognition.
- 3. Carry out qualitative analysis of the raw material.

Qualitative reactions:

- 1. Apply a few drops of 5% caustic soda solution to a slice or powder, yellow staining appears.
- 2. Add a few drops of 1% ferric chloride solution to the aqueous decoction of the raw material, green colouring appears (polyphenols).
- 4. Write down the chemical composition of the raw material.
- 5. Specify the pharmacological action and use of raw materials.

SELF-MONITORING EXERCISES:

- 1. What morphological features are characteristic of Ammi major?
- 2. What is the result of microchemical reaction with Sudan solution when analysing seeds of Chinese lemongrass?
- 3. List the methods of quantitative determination of lignans in medicinal plant materials.
- 4. Give examples of chemical-pharmaceutical products from the raw materials of visnaga carrot-shaped.