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Tablets on the basis of herbal substance "Limonidin"

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Isolation of substances from the roots and aerial parts of local medicinal plant Limonium gmelinii was conducted using a simple, economically feasible and environmentally friendly technological scheme with a high yield (up to 35 % of the dried raw material weight). Vegetable substances extracted from the test plants in the form of dry extracts are characterized by hygroscopicity; their complex with β-cyclodextrin was obtained in order to reduce this hygroscopicity. The molecular complexation of β-cyclodextrin with the substance was studied using 2 methods: a) method of paste-forming; b) method of briquetting. The process of nanoencapsulation was monitored by observation of changes in shape and size of the particles. The resulting complex of the "Limonidin" substance with cyclodextrin is a light-brown powder with the patches of darker particles with faint odor, moisture content of not more than 3 %, soluble in water, 0.1 N HC1 solution and aqueous solutions of ethyl alcohol (30, 50 %). Bulk density before shrinkage is 0.707 g/cm, after the shrinkage - 0.809 g/cm. The study of the complex was carried out using the methods of IR and UV spectroscopy and diffractometry. biopharmaceutical properties of the complex were studied: release of the active substance in the amount of not less than 46.0 %, in various environments, Quality specification was designed. On the basis of this complex of the substance and β-cyclodextrin, two sets of granulates were developed. The tablets produced on their basis meet the requirements of pharmacopoeia on the following indicators of quality: compressibility profiles, hardness, friability, friability, disintegration, quantification of the active substance and its release.

Keywords: tablets, herbal, substance, production

Novel compound from Limonium myrianthum possessing antioxidant activity

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Plants of the Limonium Mill genus (Plumbagenaceae family) are represented by 300 species world-wide and 18 in Kazakhstan. Two species, L. gmelinii and L. myrianthum, are present in stocks exceeding 50 thousand tons in Kazakhstan. The current studies are focused on L. myrianthum. Specimens of L. myrianthum were collected in South Kazakhstan in August 2010. Finely ground, air-dried roots (300 g) were subjected to sequential extraction with n-hexane (0.3 L x 2; 48 h), acetone (0.3 L x 3; 48 h) and MeOH (0.3 L x 3; 48 h) at 30 $^{\circ}$ C with constant mixing. Extracts were evaporated to dryness under reduced pressure at 35-37 $^{\circ}$ C. Acetone extracts of the roots showed the highest antioxidant activities and were combined then subjected to silica gel chromatography with elution successively with 100% CH2Cl2, then CH2Cl2: MeOH mixtures (5%, 10%, 15%, 25%, 30%, 35%) and finally 100% MeOH to yield 8 fractions. Active fractions were combined and subjected to Sephadex LH-20 chromatography to yield 33 fractions of decreasing molecular mass. A yellow compound isolated from fractions 12 and 13 was identified as epigallocatechin-2-O-p-phenoxy (C21H18O8; mol wt 398.36). It showed potent antioxidant activity in assays of liver microsomal lipid peroxidation. At 4 µg/mL, It reduced the LPO level to 62 % of control and at 20 µg/mL, it reduced the level of LPO to 12 % of control. The antioxidant properties of epigallocatechin-2-O-p-phenoxy require further investigation. Twodimensional spectra were obtained on a Bruker DRX-500 spectrometer. GC-MS spectra were obtained using an HP 6890 gas chromatograph.

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