ABSTRACT

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The literature search focused on isoquinoline alkaloids of the genus *Corydalis* was carried out. The summary offers information about the chemical structure of alkaloids and the species of *Corydalis* (or morphological parts of the mother plant) from which the alkaloids were isolated.

The biological activity of alkaloids and extracts from plants of the genus *Corydalis* was also described. Some species of the genus *Corydalis* present antifungal effects (*C. incisa*, *C. longipes*, *C. chaerophylla*), cytotoxic effects (*C. incisa*), hepatoprotective effects (*C. saxicola*),

antithrombic effects (*C. koidzumiana*, *C. ambigua*), sedative, hypnotic and spasmolytic effects (*C. pseudoadunca*), anti-inflammatory and inhibitory effect on allergic reactions (*C. turtschaninovii f. yanhusuo*), inhibitory effect on acetylcholinesterase (*C. bulbosa*, *C. turtschaninovii f. yanhusuo*, *C. cava*, *C. speciosa*).

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