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Phytoconstituents, Traditional Uses, and Biological Potential of *Edgeworthia* genus

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Abstract

Edgeworthia genus (family Thymelaeaceae) plants are used traditionally for high-quality paper manufacturing, as well as for treating various ailments such as hyperlipidemia, diabetes, hypertension, obesity, cardiovascular and eye diseases, neuralgia, arthralgia, muscle tension, pain, bruise, hoarseness, and swelling. These plants possess diverse pharmacological activities: antidiabetic, anti-obesity, anti-osteoporosis, cardiac and reno-protective, polymerase β lyase inhibition, and anti-HIV. This genus is rich in diverse chemical constituents such as flavonoids, coumarins, terpenoids, alkaloids, and phenolics. The current work aimed to review the reported literature on this genus, including secondary metabolites and their bioactivities. A literature search (1974–September 2024) was conducted on different databases (Google Scholar, Web of Science, Scopus, and PubMed), as well as scientific publishers (Springer, Wiley, Taylor & Francis, Elsevier, JACS, and Bentham). More than 240 compounds were characterized mainly from *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri*. The reported studies identified bioactive compounds such as daphnoretin, a coumarin with anti-osteoporotic and α -glucosidase inhibitory activities; biflavonoids like daphnodorin dimers with strong α -glucosidase inhibition; and macrocyclic daphnane orthoesters showing potent anti-HIV effects. The reported findings pointed out the significance of *Edgeworthia* species that support their traditional and medicinal uses. However, further investigations to explore the toxicity profiles, mechanisms of action, and possible clinical applications of this genus are required.

Introduction

Medicinal plants have been considered crucial for thousands of years for human health.¹ They are the main source of remedies and the basis of many traditional medicine practices throughout the world. Medicinal plants can effectively alleviate human ailments and diseases and have advantageous health-promoting effects.²⁻⁵ Additionally, plants are valuable sources that generate a vast array of secondary metabolites. Plants and/or their secondary metabolites represent the basis of the many foods, agrochemical, cosmetic, perfume, and pharmaceuticals industries.²⁻⁵

Thymelaeaceae family is composed of 45 genera with about 900 species and includes two major subfamilies, Thymelaeoideae and Octolepidoideae.

Subfamily Thymelaeoideae consists of three tribes: Synandrodaphneae, Aquilarieae, and Daphneae that are known to produce coumarins and flavonoids of different skeletons.^{6,7} *Edgeworthia* genus is a member of Daphneae tribe, comprising five species: *E. chrysantha* Lindl. (Synonyms: *E. papyrifera* Siebold & Zucc; *E. tomentosa* (Thunb.) Nakai), *E. gardneri* (Wall.) Meisn., *E. albiflora* Nakai, *E. longipes* Lace, and *E. eriosolenoides* K. M. Feng & S. C. Huang. They grow in Southeastern United States, China, Japan, Korea, and India.^{8,9} Among the genus members, *E. gardneri* and *E. chrysantha* are the most studied species of this genus. *Edgeworthia* plants are cultivated as ornamentals in urban settings due to their ease of propagation.⁷ Also, they are utilized as raw material for the production of rayon and high-

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quality papers like banknotes as they contain abundant low-lignin fibers with a wide range of traditional uses.⁷ Phytochemical investigations of this genus revealed the identification of various phyto-constituents, including flavonoids, coumarins, lignans, triterpenes, and steroids with promising biological properties.¹⁰⁻¹³ To the best of our knowledge, no published work has comprehensively reviewed the available data on this genus. The current work aimed to discuss the reported literature on this genus including traditional uses, phyto-constituents, and biological properties to highlight its potential traditional and pharmacological significance.

Methodology

The literature search was carried out through different databases (Google-Scholar, Web of Science, Scopus, and PubMed) and scientific publishers (Springer, Wiley Online Library, Taylor & Francis, Elsevier, JACS, and Bentham). The following keywords were used: “*Edgeworthia* genus + NMR”, “*Edgeworthia* genus + bioactive compounds”, “*Edgeworthia* genus + phytochemistry”, “*Edgeworthia* genus + traditional uses”, “*Edgeworthia* genus + biological activity”. The peer-reviewed original research articles, review articles, and scientific book chapters focusing on the traditional uses, phytochemistry, or biological/pharmacological activities of *Edgeworthia* species, published between 1974 and September 2024 were included. The non-peer-reviewed publications, conference abstracts without full data, articles not focused on *Edgeworthia*, studies lacking phytochemical or biological activity information, and publications in languages other than English without an available English translation were excluded. This review comprises 61 references published between 1974 and September 2024. The relevant articles were selected, and data were extracted and categorized by compound class and biological activity. Tables were compiled to summarize the reported compounds, their sources, and biological activities.

Results

Traditional Uses and Geographical Distribution of *Edgeworthia* Plants

The *Edgeworthia* plants are commonly found throughout Asia, with China is the main source. *Edgeworthia gardneri* (Wall.) Meisn. grows in Darjeeling's Birch Hill and Middle-Hill areas, where its fruits are employed as fish poison, whereas stems and roots are utilized for bubo treatment in China.¹⁰ It occurs in the Himalayan region, in northern India and from Nepal to Bhutan and western China. *E. gardneri* is also found in northwest Yunnan Province and at high altitude in eastern Tibet. Its dried flower buds are marketed as precious Tibetan floral tea, named “Lu luohua” for alleviating many illnesses such as hyperlipidemia,¹⁴⁻¹⁶ diabetes,^{14,17,18} hypertension,¹¹ obesity,^{14,15} and cardiovascular diseases.^{19,20,11}

Edgeworthia chrysantha Lindl. (Oriental paperbush) is a deciduous shrub, having distinctive three-pronged

branches. *E. chrysantha* flowers are fragrant tubular yellow spherical clusters covered in white silky hairs that give them a frosted look. The flowers bloom in early spring and winter, making them a commonly used decorative plant. It is vastly found in Asia countries, including southern and central China, Japan, Nepal, and Korea. In China, it is predominantly present in Shanxi Province, Henan Province, and some other areas along the Chang Jiang southern side (the Yangtze River).¹² The plant bark fibers are traditionally utilized for artificial cotton, banknotes, and paper, as they contain abundant low-lignin fibers.²¹ This species is also cultivated in the southern region of USA.²²

In China, its alabastrum is employed to treat eye-related conditions such as swelling, nocturnal emissions, delacrimation, ophthalmalgia, and Nephelium.²³ Whilst the roots and barks, known locally as “Zhu Shima” in southern China, are valued in folk medicine for their analgesic and anti-inflammatory effects,²¹ as well as stem and root are applied to relieve the muscle tension, pain, and swelling, and heal rheumatism and injuries.²³ Also, roots and buds are used for treating bruises, hoarseness, neuralgia, arthralgia, and eye diseases such as visual impairment, photophobia, and epiphora.²⁴ *E. chrysantha* is applied to cure rheumatalgia or bone fracture as Flora Reipublicae Popularis Sinicae. Tujia ethnic population in western Hunan Province prepares daily consumed herbal tea by gathering the flower buds, drying them, and then soaking them in hot water to remove obstruction, enhance digestion, and tranquilize the mind.¹²

Botanical Characteristics

Edgeworthia species are distinguished by having tightly bunched fragrant flowers and fibrous stems. The morphological characters of these plants were listed in Table 1 (Figure 1).

Extraction and Isolation of the Secondary Metabolites

Chromatographic separation and analysis using various chromatographic techniques such as SiO₂,²³ Sephadex LH-20,²¹ Diaion HP-20,¹⁷ AB-8 macroporous resin, gas chromatography (GC),³¹ PTLC (preparative thin layer chromatography), high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC),³² HSCCC (high-speed counter-current chromatography),³³ MEKC (micellar electrokinetic capillary chromatography),³³ ultraperformance liquid chromatography-quadrupole time-of-flight mass spectrometry (UPLC-Q-TOF-MS/MS),³² LC-ESI-MS/MS,³⁴ and ESI-MS/MS³⁴ in addition to spectral, CD (circular dichroism), X-ray, and chemical methods led to the separation and characterization of numerous structurally defined bioactive metabolites, primarily coumarins, flavonoids, lignans, and diterpenoids, from various plant parts including roots, stems, bark, flower buds, and leaves.

In 2006, Wang and Cheng developed micellar MEKC method that provided a rapid, efficient, and reliable

Table 1. Morphological characters of *Edgeworthia* plants²⁵⁻³⁰

| Part | <i>E. chrysantha</i> | <i>E. gardneri</i> | <i>E. eriosolenoides</i> | <i>E. albiflora</i> |
|----------------|--|--|--|---|
| Stem/shoot | Shrubs to 0.7-1.5 m tall, deciduous, branching usually trichotomous. Branchlets brown, strong, stout, usually pubescent when young. | Trees small, to 3-4 m tall. Stem brownish red. Branchlets glabrous or sparsely sericeous at apex | Shrubs, branching trichotomous. Branchlets brown, pubescent. | Shrubs to 1-5 m tall, branching usually trichotomous. Branchlets brownish yellow, slender; leaf scars visible, ca. 2 mm wide |
| Leaves | Leaves falling before anthesis; leaf blade oblong, lanceolate, or oblanceolate, 8-20 × 2.5-5.5 cm, both surfaces whitish gray sericeous, more densely so abaxially, base gradually narrowed, cuneate, apex apiculate; lateral veins 10-13 pairs, slender, curved, pubescent. | Petiole 4-8 mm, puberulous. leaf blade narrowly elliptic to elliptic-lanceolate, 6-10 × 2.5-3.4 cm, both surfaces appressed pubescent, base cuneate, apex acute; lateral veins 8 or 9 pairs, conspicuous | Petiole 0.6-1 mm, appressed sericeous leaf blade green adaxially, grayish green abaxially, elliptic to elliptic-lanceolate, 5.5-15 × 1.7-4.7 cm, thinly papery, both surfaces sparsely appressed sericeous, more densely so abaxially, base gradually narrowed, apex acuminate; lateral veins 10-13 pairs, conspicuous, reticulate veins visible | Leaves lasting 2 years; petiole 2-10 mm, pubescent; leaf blade green adaxially, grayish green abaxially, oblanceolate, 3.5-15 × 1-6 cm, abaxially glabrous or puberulous along midrib, adaxially glabrous, base gradually narrowed, margin slightly revolute, apex acute; lateral veins 8-10 pairs, conspicuous |
| Inflorescences | Inflorescences terminal and axillary, capitate, 30-50-flowered; peduncle 1-2 cm, grayish white hirsute; bracts ca. 10, pilose | Inflorescences terminal and axillary, capitate, 3.5-4 cm in diam., 30-50-flowered; peduncle pendulous, 2-2.5(-5) cm, white sericeous at anthesis, glabrescent; bracts caducous, leaflike, narrowly lanceolate. | Inflorescences axillary, capitate, 10-17-flowered; peduncle 1.5-2 cm, densely sericeous | Inflorescences subterminal on branches, capitate, 30-50-flowered; peduncle 0.5-2.3 cm, densely sericeous |
| Flower | Flower fragrant; calyx yellow inside, 13-20 × 4-5 mm; tube exterior densely white sericeous, lobes 4, ovate-lanceolate, ca. 3.5 × 3 mm; Anthers subovoid, ca. 2 mm. Disk shallowly cup-shaped, margin irregular; ovary ovoid, ca. 4 × 2 mm, apex sericeous, style glabrous, ca. 2 mm; stigma globose, ca. 3 mm | Flower fragrant; calyx yellow or white ca. 15 mm, exterior densely white sericeous, lobes 4, yellow adaxially, ovate, ca. 3.5 × 2.5 mm, abaxially densely sericeous, apex acute or rounded; Disk scale lacerate; Ovary ellipsoid, ca. 5 mm, uniformly densely grayish white sericeous; style pubescent, ca. 2 mm; Stigma globose, ca. 3 mm | Calyx ca. 20 × 1.5 mm, exterior densely white shiny sericeous, lobes 4, ovate-lanceolate, ca. 4 × 1.5 mm; anthers lanceolate, ca. 1.5 mm; disk shallowly cup-shaped; ovary ellipsoid, ca. 3 mm, apex white sericeous; style filiform, ca. 3 mm; stigma clavate, ca. 2 mm | Calyx white inside, ca. 14 mm, exterior densely white sericeous, lobes 4, broadly ovate, 2.5-3 × ca. 1 mm, apex acute; anthers oblong, ca. 1.5 mm, base rounded. Disk lacerate; ovary ellipsoid, ca. 3.5 mm, apex fascicled white sericeous; style puberulous, ca. 3 mm; stigma clavate, ca. 2 mm |
| Drupe | Drupe ellipsoid, ca. 8 × 3.5 mm, apex pubescent | Drupe ovoid, densely sericeous | | Drupe ovoid, ca. 4 mm, apex sericeous |

*Edgeworthia chrysantha**Edgeworthia gardneri***Figure 1.** Photos of *Edgeworthia chrysantha* (<https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu/plants/edgeworthia-chrysantha/>) and *Edgeworthia gardneri* (<https://efloraofindia.com/efi/edgeworthia-gardneri/>)

method for separating and analyzing **12**, **48**, and **53** in the *E. chrysantha* alabastrum.²¹ HSCCC demonstrated efficient isolation of **5** (12.9% yield) and **25** (6.6% yield) from *E. chrysantha* stems with over 95% purity by HPLC analysis³³ and **47** (yield 32 mg) and **53** (yield 53 mg) from *E. chrysantha* flowers EtOH extract with recovery rates of 92.2 and 92.5%, respectively) validated through HPLC purity assessment and spectral comparison with authentic standards.³⁵

A study by Wen et al developed an innovative method

for extracting *E. chrysantha* fresh flowers essential oils at different flowering stages using DLLME-UAE (dispersive liquid-liquid microextraction/ultrasound-assisted extraction) coupled with GC-IT MS (gas chromatography-ion trap mass spectrometry) with a DSI (direct-sample introduction) device³⁶ with optimal conditions including toluene,³⁶ acetone, and 10 min for extraction and dispersive solvents and ultrasound time, respectively. Thirty-six constituents were found, including aromatic hydrocarbons, alkanes, alcohols, alkenes, aldehydes,

ketones, lipids, acids, and nitrogenous compounds, were identified, all contributing to the distinctive floral aroma of *E. chrysantha*.³⁶

Gao et al. reported that the solid-phase extraction using tiliroside-imprinted polymers provided an efficient tool for **45**'s extraction (% recovery ranged from 69.3 to 73.5%) from *E. gardneri* flower EtOAc extract.³⁷

Secondary Metabolites and Their Biological Activities

Coumarins

Oligocoumarins are uncommon natural compounds that have mostly been isolated from plants belonging to the Rutaceae, Thymelaeaceae, and Leguminosae families. Various studies reported the isolation of monomeric, bis-, and trimeric coumarins and their glycosides from *Edgeworthia* genus that were listed in Table 2. *Edgeworthia* species are important sources of structurally diverse and biologically active coumarins. A total of 32 coumarins, comprising both aglycones and glycosidic derivatives, were reported from various species of the *Edgeworthia* genus, primarily *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri*, reflecting the genus's substantial phytochemical diversity. These compounds were identified from different plant parts such as stems, barks, roots, flower buds, and flowers. Twenty coumarins were separated from *E. chrysantha*, followed by *E. gardneri*, with around ten coumarins.

Kim et al. reported that *E. chrysantha* major constituent: **2** dose-dependently activated osteoblast proliferation and prohibited osteoclast differentiation (IC_{50} 9.94 μ M) in ovariectomized mice, suggesting *E. chrysantha* and **2** as a functional food to treat osteoporosis and increase bone strength (Figure 2).⁵⁷ Compounds **5**, **7**, and **9** obtained from *E. gardneri*'s methylethyl ketone extract that demonstrated marked polymerase- β lyase inhibition (IC_{50} 43.0 μ g/mL (122.3 μ M), 32.1 μ g/mL (94.8 μ M), and 7.3 μ g/mL (22.5 μ M), respectively). Compound **5** also showed α -glucosidase and α -amylase-inhibition activity.³² Compound **9** was found to potentiate bleomycin cytotoxicity towards A-549 cells by inhibiting the repair of bleomycin-caused DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) damage (Figure 3).⁵¹ Besides, *E. chrysantha* major coumarins: **2** and **9** exhibited anti-inflammatory and analgesic activities, whereas **12** (doses 100 and 200 mg/kg) showed only analgesic effects.²³ Compounds **7** and **9** showed potent activity versus α -glucosidase (IC_{50} s 49.6 and 18.7 μ g/mL, respectively), having **9** was a noncompetitive inhibitor compared to acarbose (IC_{50} 465 μ g/mL).⁴² *E. chrysantha* metabolite, **16** remarkably raised 2-NBDG (2-[N-(7-nitrobenz-2-oxa-1,3-diazol-4-yl)amino]-2-deoxy-D-glucose) glucose uptake into 3T3-L1 adipocytes.⁴⁵ On the other hand, **5**, **12**, **14**, and **25** were moderately active against α -glucosidase (IC_{50} 86–780 μ g/mL), suggesting *E. gardneri* coumarins more powerful α -glucosidase inhibitors.⁴² Additionally, **25** from *E. gardneri* EtOAc extract was reported as new PPAR γ (Peroxisome Proliferator-Activated Receptor γ) and PPAR β (Peroxisome Proliferator-Activated Receptor

β) agonist that activated PPAR β and PPAR γ (Figure 4).⁵⁵

Flavonoids and Their Glycosides

A total of 44 flavonoids have been reported from *Edgeworthia* species, as documented in peer-reviewed literature and confirmed by the Dictionary of Natural Products (DNP). These flavonoids include flavones, isoflavones, and flavonols and their C- or O-glycosides were identified from *Edgeworthia* species, mainly from *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri*. *E. gardneri* and *E. chrysantha* contributed over 97% of the identified flavonoids, including tiliroside, kaempferol derivatives, rutin, isoquercetin, apigenin, quercetin, and catechins. These compounds were isolated from the flowers, stems, and twigs, with some detected in the bark, alabastrum, and whole plant extracts (Table 3; Figures 5–10). In addition, biflavonoids such as daphnodorin dimers **33–40** that feature a three-carbon ring connectivity of phenyl ring-A subunit in one moiety and C–C linkage of ring A with another moiety, were isolated (Figure 6).¹⁸ Compounds **33–40** (IC_{50} s 0.4–20 μ M) demonstrated significant α -glucosidase inhibitory activity, whereas **33–36** displayed powerful inhibition (IC_{50} 1.09, 2.13, 0.41, and 0.96 μ M, respectively) than **37–40** (IC_{50} 3.14, 11.2, 4.0, and 19.0 μ M, respectively), in comparison to acarbose (IC_{50} 73.6 μ M).¹⁸ Zhang et al. reported that **45** from *E. gardneri* demonstrated notable noncompetitive α -amylase inhibition potential (IC_{50} 12.1 μ M and K_i 9.72 μ M). It suppressed intestinal α -amylase in mice with a consequent reduction in postprandial peak in the oral sucrose-tolerance test.⁵⁸ Also, *E. gardneri* lower-regulated the transcriptional factors related to adipogenesis as C/EBP α and PPAR γ and diminished the accumulated triglyceride and lipid accumulations during the differentiation stage.⁵⁰ It raised ACC (acetyl-CoA carboxylase) and AMPK (MP-Activated Protein Kinase) phosphorylation, suggesting that the extract produced anti-adipogenic action through modulating the AMPK signaling pathway. Tiliroside (**45**) was identified as the main component of the extract that could contribute to the anti-obesity activity of the extract.⁵⁰ Cai et al reported that **45** separated from *E. chrysantha* buds exhibited potential reno-protective property (Figures 7).⁵⁹ It restored kidney functions by lowering blood urea nitrogen, serum creatinine, and renal damage markers: kidney injury molecule 1 and neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin levels in acute kidney injury mice models. Additionally, it remarkably amended cisplatin-produced ferroptosis in HK2 cells through NRF2 activation. Thus, **45** boosted ferroptosis inhibition and GPX4/NRF2 pathway activation via the NRF2-KEAP1 PPI disruption.⁵⁹ Ma et al reported that **45**, **47**, **48**, and **53** revealed notable α -glucosidase inhibitory activity (IC_{50} s 179–253 μ g/mL), compared to acarbose (IC_{50} 465 μ g/mL).¹⁷ It was noted that 3'-OH, methyl ester, and free 7-OH groups raised activity.¹⁷ In the *in-vivo* test, **45** (dose 300 mg/kg) remarkably declined the postprandial glucose level, and did not affect fasting glucose level in normal

Table 2. List of coumarins isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound Name | M. Wt. | Mol. formula | Extract type | Species, plant part, and location | Ref. |
|--|--------|---|---------------------|---|------|
| Triumbellin (1) | 482 | C ₂₇ H ₁₄ O ₉ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| Edgeworoside A (2) | 628 | C ₃₃ H ₂₂ O ₁₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 39 |
| | - | - | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 23 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Lishui, Zhejiang, China | 41 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| Edgeworoside B (3) | 614 | C ₃₂ H ₂₂ O ₁₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 44 |
| | - | - | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| [8,8'-bi-2 <i>H</i> -1-Benzopyran]-2,2'-dione, 7'-(α -D-glucopyranosyloxy)-7-hydroxy-3-[(2-oxo-2 <i>H</i> -1-benzopyran-7-yl)oxy] = 7''-O-(β -D-Glucopyranosyl)-tribumellin (4) | 644 | C ₃₃ H ₂₄ O ₁₄ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| | - | - | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| Daphnoretin (5) | 352 | C ₁₉ H ₁₂ O ₇ | CHCl ₃ | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, stem-bark, Middle-Hill and Birchill, Darjeeling, India | 10 |
| | - | - | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, stem-bark, Middle-Hill and Birchill, Darjeeling, India | 46 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 39 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Osaka, Japan | 47 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 49 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, stem-bark, Bhutan | 49 |
| | - | - | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, barks and stems, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 33 |
| | - | - | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Lishui, Zhejiang, China | 41 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Huisheng, China | 50 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| | - | - | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 7-O-Acetyl daphnoretin (6) | 394 | C ₂₁ H ₁₄ O ₈ | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, stem-bark, Middle-Hill and Birchill, Darjeeling, India | 46 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Osaka, Japan | 47 |
| Edgeworthin (7) | 338 | C ₁₈ H ₁₀ O ₇ | CHCl ₃ | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, stem-bark, Middle-Hill and Birchill, Darjeeling, India | 10 |
| | - | - | Methyl ethyl ketone | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, stem-bark, Bhutan | 51 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| Rutamontine (8) | 352 | C ₁₉ H ₁₂ O ₇ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| Edgeworin (9) | 322 | C ₁₈ H ₁₀ O ₆ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 39 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 44 |
| | - | - | Methyl ethyl ketone | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> Meissner, stem-bark, Bhutan | 51 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 23 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| Daphnorin (10) | 514 | C ₂₅ H ₂₂ O ₁₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| Daphneretusin A (11) | 500 | C ₂₄ H ₂₀ O ₁₂ | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |

Table 2. Continued.

| Compound Name | M. Wt. | Mol. formula | Extract type | Species, plant part, and location | Ref. |
|---|--------|---|-------------------|---|------|
| Edgeworoside C (12) | 468 | C ₂₄ H ₂₀ O ₁₀ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 44 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | <i>n</i> -Butanol | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, barks and stems, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 52 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 23 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, alabastrum, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 21 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Lishui, Zhejiang, China | 41 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 49 |
| | - | - | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| | - | - | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 53 |
| 7-Hydroxyl-odesmethoxyrutarensin = 6''-O-(3-Hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl)-daphneretusin A (13) | 644 | C ₃₀ H ₂₈ O ₁₆ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, barks and stems, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 54 |
| | - | - | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| Daphnoretin 5-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-(1 → 2)-β-D-glucopyranoside (14) | 692 | C ₃₁ H ₃₂ O ₁₈ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 49 |
| Rutarensin (15) | 658 | C ₃₁ H ₃₀ O ₁₆ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 44 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| Hymexelsin (16) | 486 | C ₂₁ H ₂₆ O ₁₃ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 8-[3-(2,4-Benzenediol)-propionic acid methyl ester]-coumarin-7-β-D-glucoside (17) | 518 | C ₂₅ H ₂₆ O ₁₂ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, barks and stems, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 54 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Gardnerol A (18) | 356 | C ₁₉ H ₁₆ O ₇ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Gardnerol B (19) | 504 | C ₂₄ H ₂₄ O ₁₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Daphneticin (20) | 386 | C ₂₀ H ₁₈ O ₈ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| Skimmin (21) | 324 | C ₁₅ H ₁₆ O ₈ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| Cniforin A (22) | 374 | C ₂₀ H ₂₂ O ₇ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Edgeworic acid (23) | 342 | C ₁₈ H ₁₄ O ₇ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Lishui, Zhejiang, China | 41 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| 2 <i>H</i> -1-Benzopyran-2-one=Coumarin (24) | 146 | C ₉ H ₆ O ₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Umbelliferone (25) | 162 | C ₉ H ₆ O ₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 39 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 49 |
| | - | - | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, barks and stems, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 33 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Lishui, Zhejiang, China | 41 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 55 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 4-Methylumbelliferone (26) | 176 | C ₁₀ H ₈ O ₃ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Limettin (27) | 206 | C ₁₁ H ₁₀ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, roots and stems, Osaka, Japan | 39 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Lishui, Zhejiang, China | 41 |
| Daphnetin (28) | 178 | C ₉ H ₆ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 42 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 7,8-Dihydroxy-4-methylcoumarin (29) | 192 | C ₁₀ H ₈ O ₄ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Scopoletin (30) | 192 | C ₁₀ H ₈ O ₄ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Psoralen (31) | 186 | C ₁₁ H ₆ O ₃ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Bergapten (32) | 216 | C ₁₂ H ₈ O ₄ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |

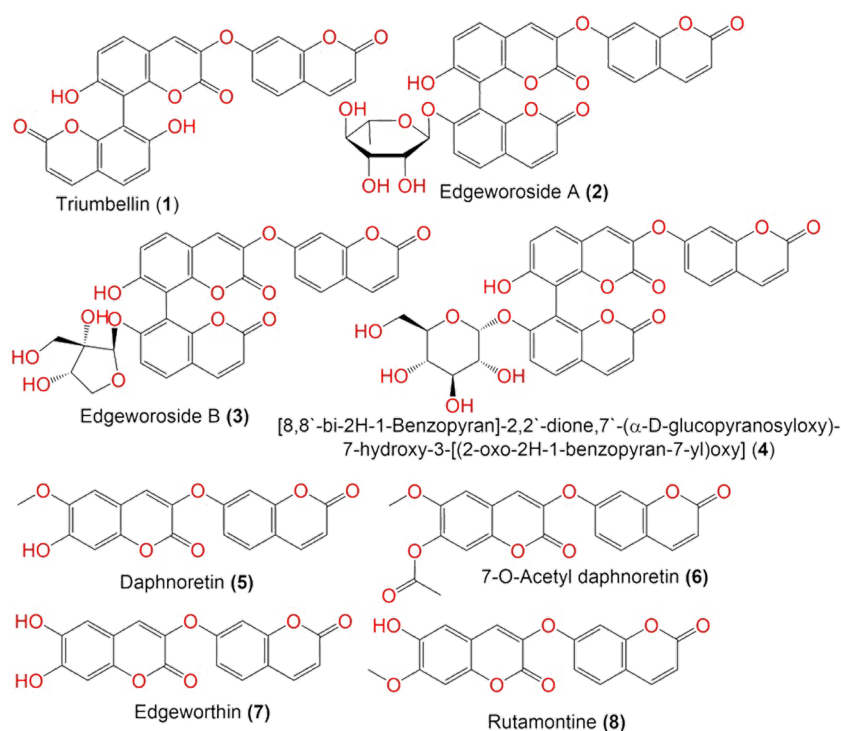


Figure 2. Chemical structures of coumarins (1–8) from *Edgeworthia* genus

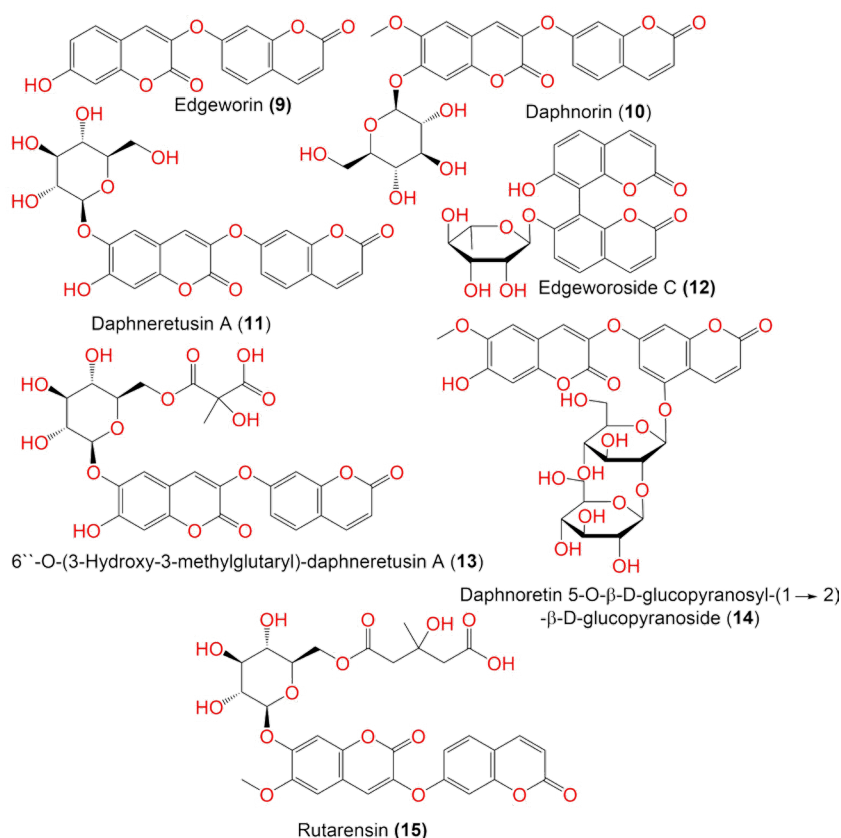


Figure 3. Chemical structures of coumarins (9–15) from *Edgeworthia* genus

mice.¹⁷ On the other hand, **45** prohibited the intestinal α -glucosidase and minimized fasting glucose level in the STZ-produced diabetic mice. In contrast to glibenclamide it revealed hypoglycemic efficacy in diabetic mice but not in normal mice, indicating that **45** did not directly act

through insulin release.¹⁷ Further, **45**, **59**, **61**, and **66** had α -glucosidase inhibition activities (IC_{50} s 1071.6 to 22.3 μ M) and **53** showed α -amylase-inhibition (IC_{50} 55.5 μ M), suggesting coumarins and flavonoids accountable for *E. gardneri* activity (Figures 8-10).³² Compounds **66** and **67**

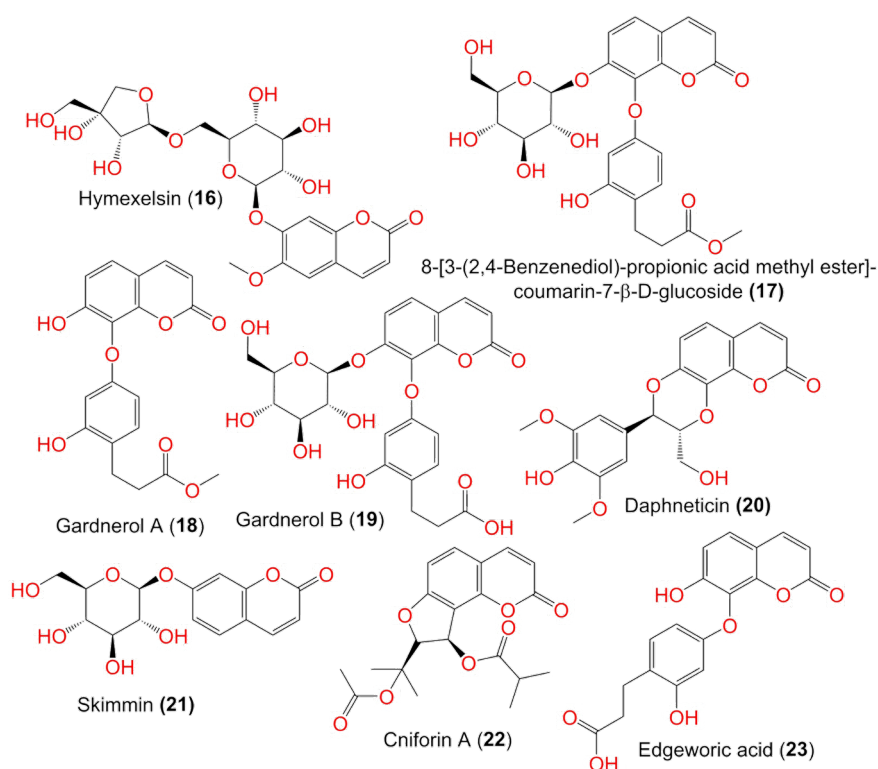


Figure 4. Chemical structures of coumarins (16–23) from *Edgeworthia* genus

(IC₅₀ 56.2 and 5.1 µg/mL, respectively) exhibited powerful α-glucosidase inhibitory activity, whereas **67** was the most active.¹⁷ A study by Zhuang et al revealed that **67** (conc > 10 µM/L) from *E. gardneri* flower remarkably boosted insulin secretion in MIN-6 cells through ERK1/2/Ca²⁺ signaling pathway.⁶⁰ Also, it suppressed palmitic acid-caused cell apoptosis by restoring the integrity of the damaged mitochondrial membrane, repressing caspase-3, -9, and -12 activation, and raising the Bcl-2/BAX ratio.⁶⁰

Organic Acids and Esters

Chlorogenic, ferulic, caffeic, hydroxycinnamic, benzoic, salicylic, and gallic acid were identified from *E. gardneri* and *E. chrysantha* (Figure S1; Table 4). While esters such as methyl salicylate, benzyl acetate, vanillin isobutyrate, and methyl benzoate were purified from *E. chrysantha* and *E. tomentosa* flowers (Figure S2).

Aldehydes, Phenols, Lignans, Chromans, and Aromatic Alcohols

Three aldehydes were identified from *E. gardneri* (1 compound) and *E. chrysantha* (2 compounds) flowers. Phenolic glycosides (**105–117**), lignans ((+)-lariciresinol, neosesamin, ciwujiatone, and interiotherin C), and chromans (cnidimol B and isoophiopogonone A) were separated mainly from *E. gardneri* flowers, while alcohols (α-cumyl and benzyl alcohols) were identified from *E. chrysantha* flowers (Table 5; Figure S2). Compounds **85**, **104**, and **114** displayed α-glucosidase inhibitory activity (IC₅₀s 279, 486, and 957 µg/mL, respectively), in comparison to acarbose (IC₅₀ 465 µg/mL).¹⁷

Terpenoids

A total of 45 terpenoids were reported from *Edgeworthia* species, mainly from *E. chrysantha*, *E. gardneri*, and *E. tomentosa*, including monoterpenes, sesquiterpenes, and macrocyclic daphnane orthoesters (Table 6). Macrocyclic daphnane orthoesters: **124–130** were separated by Asada et al. from *E. chrysantha* flower buds that belong to a 1-alkyldaphnane class possessing a C14-macrocyclic ring, which consists of an aliphatic chain at C-1 linked to the C-14,13,9-orthoester moiety (Table 5, Figure 11 and Figures S3–S5).³⁴ Additionally, **129** and **130** were detected in the flowers and stems of *E. chrysantha*, respectively by LC-ESI-MS/MS that were separated by Diaion HP-20/HPLC and elucidated by ESI-MS/MS fragmentation and spectral analyses.²⁴ Besides, **124–128** separated from *E. chrysantha* were examined for their anti-HIV-1 activity towards HIV-infected MT4 cells using the CellTiter-Glo Luminescent Cell Viability Assay.³⁴ Compounds **125**, **127**, and **128** demonstrated significant anti-HIV activity (EC₅₀s 29.3, 8.4, and 2.9 nM, respectively), whereas **127** and **128** exhibited more powerful anti-HIV activity than **124–126**, suggesting that a cyclopentanone unit in the A-ring enhanced the activity. Also, the C-18 isobutyryloxy moiety boosted the activity (**128** vs **127**).³⁴ Another study by Otsuki et al. revealed that **124–130** exhibited anti-HIV activity (EC₅₀s 0.10–7.03 µM), whereas **124** (EC₅₀ 1.61 µM) and **128** (EC₅₀ 0.10 µM) displayed promising activity. It was noted that the C-12 acetyloxy moiety replacement with an OH group and the presence of C-18 2-methylbutyloxy moiety reduced activity.²⁴

Cao et al analyzed using GC-MS the *E. chrysantha*

Table 3. List of flavonoids isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound Name | M. Wt. | Mol. Formula | Extract type | Species, Plant part, and Location | Ref. |
|--|--------|---|------------------------------|---|------|
| Edgechrin A (33) | 1050 | C ₆₀ H ₄₂ O ₁₈ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| Edgechrin B (34) | 1066 | C ₆₀ H ₄₂ O ₁₉ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| Edgechrin C (35) | 1050 | C ₆₀ H ₄₂ O ₁₈ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| Edgechrin D (36) | 1050 | C ₆₀ H ₄₂ O ₁₈ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| Daphnodorin A (37) | 526 | C ₃₀ H ₂₂ O ₉ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| Daphnodorin B (38) | 542 | C ₃₀ H ₂₂ O ₁₀ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| Daphnodorin C (39) | 526 | C ₃₀ H ₂₂ O ₉ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| Daphnodorin I (40) | 542 | C ₃₀ H ₂₂ O ₁₀ | H ₂ O/acetone 3:7 | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and twigs, Guangxi, China | 18 |
| | - | - | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| Wikstrol A (41) | 542 | C ₃₀ H ₂₂ O ₁₀ | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| Wikstrol B (42) | 542 | C ₃₀ H ₂₂ O ₁₀ | 90% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, whole plant, Medicinal Plant Garden, College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, Korea | 45 |
| 5'-Methoxy-bilobetin (43) | 582 | C ₃₂ H ₂₂ O ₁₁ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Apocynin B (44) | 468 | C ₂₄ H ₂₀ O ₁₀ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Tiliroside (45) | 594 | C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Huisheng, China | 50 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| | - | - | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 61 |
| | - | - | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 53 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Kaempferol 3-(3''-p-coumaryl)glucoside (46) | 594 | C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₃ | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| Kaempferol-3-O-rutinoside = Nicotiflorin (47) | 594 | C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₅ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 35 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Tsukuba, Japan | 62 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Kaempferol-3-O-β-D-glucoside = Astragalin (48) | 448 | C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, alabastrum, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 21 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Tsukuba, Japan | 62 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Huisheng, China | 50 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Kaempferol-3-neohesperidoside (49) | 594 | C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₅ | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| Isovitexin-4''-O-glucoside (50) | 594 | C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₅ | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| Isovitexin-2''-O-arabinoside (51) | 564 | C ₂₆ H ₂₈ O ₁₄ | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| Buddlenoid A (52) | 594 | C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₃ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |

Table 3. Continued.

| Compound Name | M. Wt. | Mol. Formula | Extract type | Species, Plant part, and Location | Ref. |
|---|--------|---|------------------|---|------|
| Rutin (53) | 610 | C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₆ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, alabastrum, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 21 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 35 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Tsukuba, Japan | 62 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| | - | - | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 61 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Quercetin -3-O--D-glucoside = Isoquercetin (54) | 464 | C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Tsukuba, Japan | 62 |
| Apigenin-7-O-rhamnoside (55) | 416 | C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₉ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Rhamnocitrin-3-(6''-acetylglucoside) (56) | 504 | C ₂₄ H ₂₄ O ₁₂ | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| 6''-O-Acetylaidzin (57) | 458 | C ₂₃ H ₂₂ O ₁₀ | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| Acacetin-7-O-(6''-O-acetyl)-β-D-glucopyranoside (58) | 488 | C ₂₄ H ₂₄ O ₁₁ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Isoorientin (59) | 448 | C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Neocomplanoside (60) | 504 | C ₂₄ H ₂₄ O ₁₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Chrysin (61) | 254 | C ₁₅ H ₁₀ O ₄ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Apigenin (62) | 270 | C ₁₅ H ₁₀ O ₅ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| 7-Hydroxy-4'-methoxyflavone (63) | 268 | C ₁₆ H ₁₂ O ₄ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| Luteolin (64) | 286 | C ₁₅ H ₁₀ O ₆ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| Gardenin C (65) | 404 | C ₂₀ H ₂₀ O ₉ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Kaempferol (66) | 286 | C ₁₅ H ₁₀ O ₆ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 48 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Tsukuba, Japan | 62 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Quercetin (67) | 302 | C ₁₅ H ₁₀ O ₇ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Tsukuba, Japan | 62 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 60 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 8-Hydroxygalangin 7-methyl ether 8-acetate (68) | 342 | C ₁₆ H ₁₄ O ₇ | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| Catechin (69) | 290 | C ₁₅ H ₁₄ O ₆ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| (-)-Epicatechin (70) | 290 | C ₁₅ H ₁₄ O ₆ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Dihydrokaempferol (71) | 288 | C ₁₅ H ₁₂ O ₆ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 49 |
| | | | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Citflavanone (72) | 338 | C ₂₀ H ₁₈ O ₅ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Isoliquiritigenin (73) | 256 | C ₁₅ H ₁₂ O ₄ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| (3R)-2'', 3'', 7-Trihydroxy-4'-methoxyisoflavanone (74) | 302 | C ₁₆ H ₁₄ O ₆ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Glycitein (75) | 284 | C ₁₆ H ₁₂ O ₅ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Daidzein (76) | 254 | C ₁₅ H ₁₀ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |

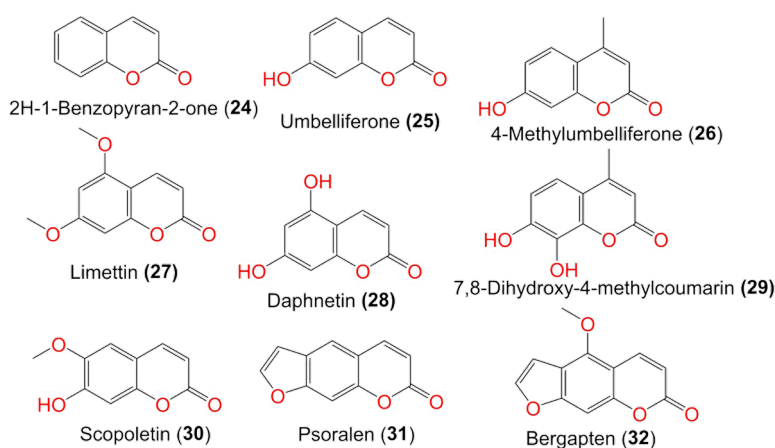


Figure 5. Chemical structures of coumarins (24–32) from *Edgeworthia* genus

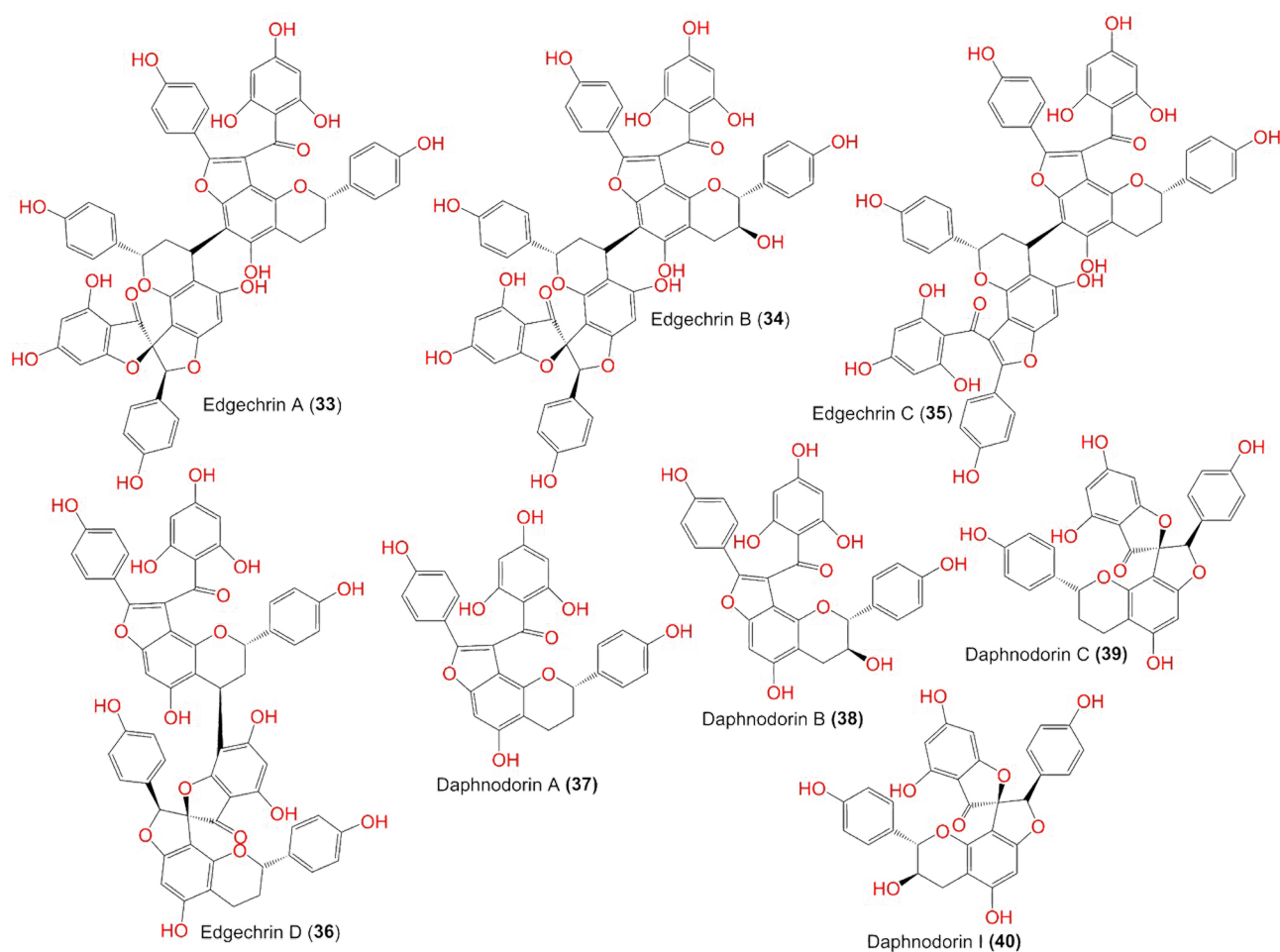


Figure 6. Chemical structures of flavonoids (33–40) from *Edgeworthia* genus

flowers essential oil after extraction by diethyl ether and isolation through steam distillation. A total of 61 volatile compounds were identified, constituting 60.14% of the volatile fraction, with notable constituents including 1,1'-oxybisdecane, 7-bromomethyl-7-pentadecene, and tert-hexadecanethiol.⁶³ The GC-MS analysis of *E. tomentosa* flowers revealed 38 constituents, accounting for 98% of the essential oil. The major components included terpenoids, making up 36.47% of the oil, with key compounds such as carvone, carveol, and β -caryophyllene.

Sesquiterpenes and monoterpenes contributed 21.63% and 14.84%, respectively. Additionally, various fatty acids and hydrocarbons, including decanal and octadecanoic acid, as well as phenolic compounds such as methyl benzoate and vanillin isobutyrate were detected.³¹ It was found that *E. tomentosa* essential oil demonstrated wide-spectrum antibacterial capacity versus various bacterial strains of Gram-positive and Gram-negative types with MBC and MIC values ranging between 26.0–71.0 and 7.8–62.5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$, respectively, whereas the powerful bacteriostatic

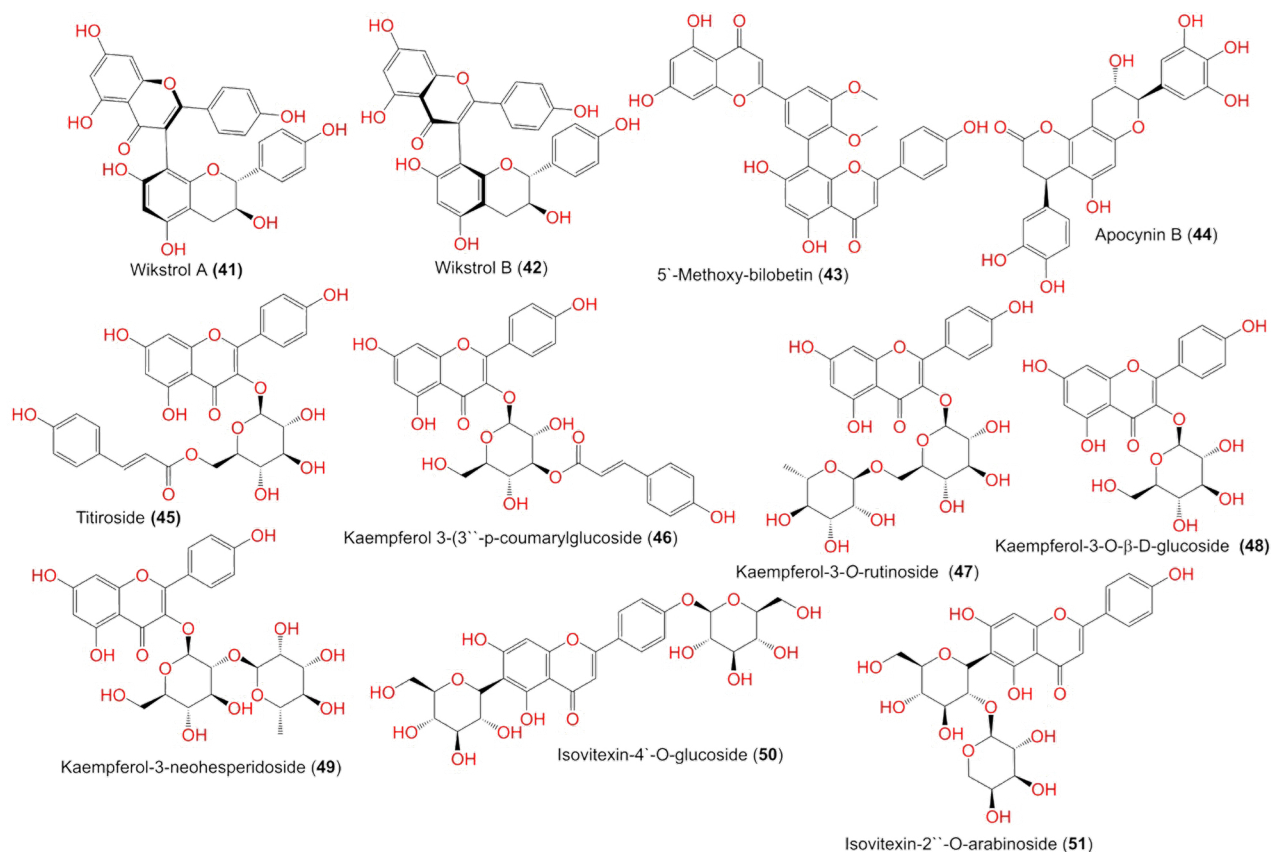


Figure 7. Chemical structures of flavonoids (41–51) from *Edgeworthia* genus

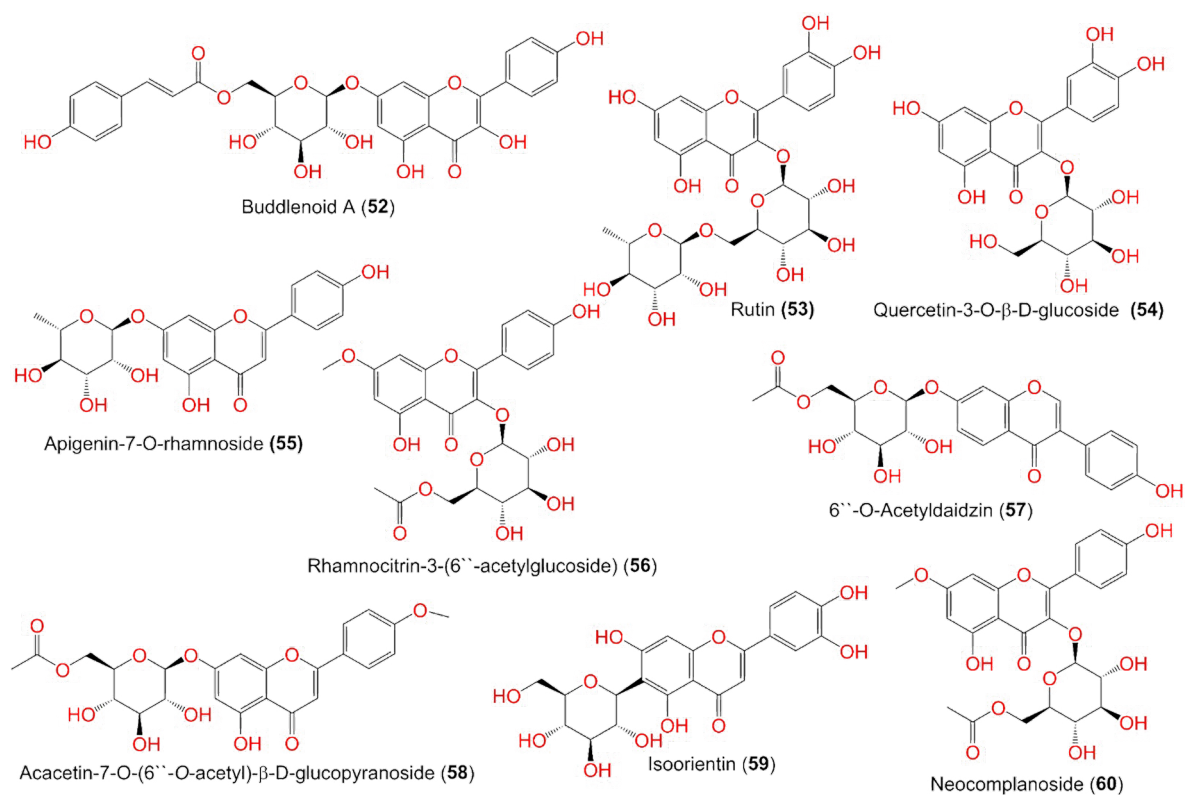


Figure 8. Chemical structures of flavonoids (52–60) from *Edgeworthia* genus

efficacy was noted versus *Diplococcus pneumonia*.³¹ The powerful antibacterial capacity was attributed to its high

monoterpene and sesquiterpene constituents; **150**, **144**, **138**, and **149** (8.81, 6.96, 3.45, and 3.34%, respectively).³¹

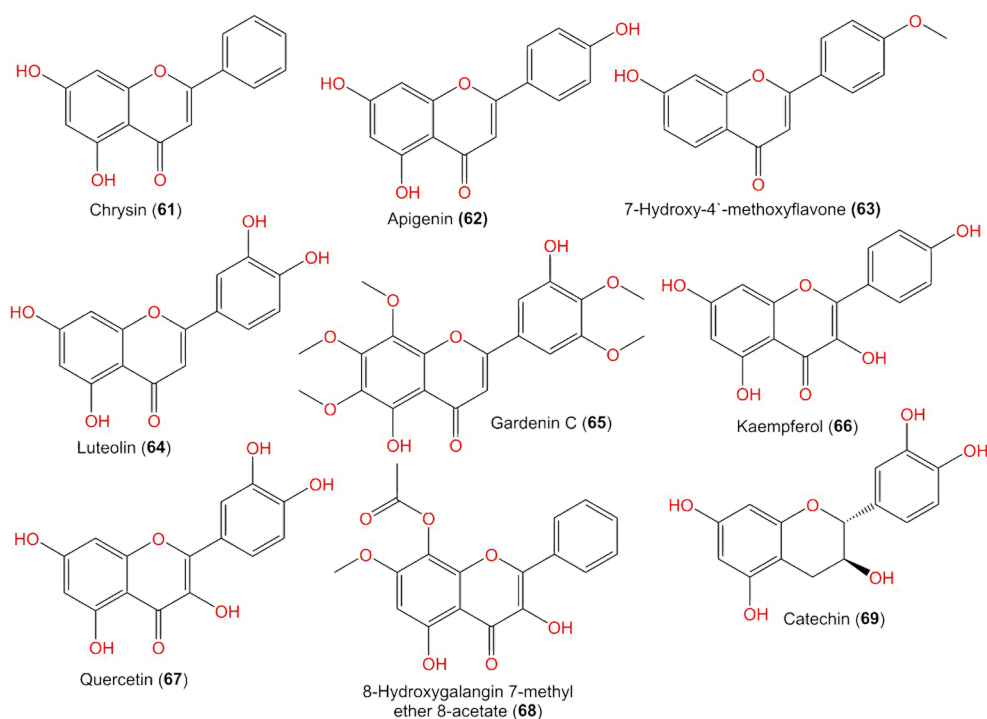


Figure 9. Chemical structures of flavonoids (61–69) from *Edgeworthia* genus

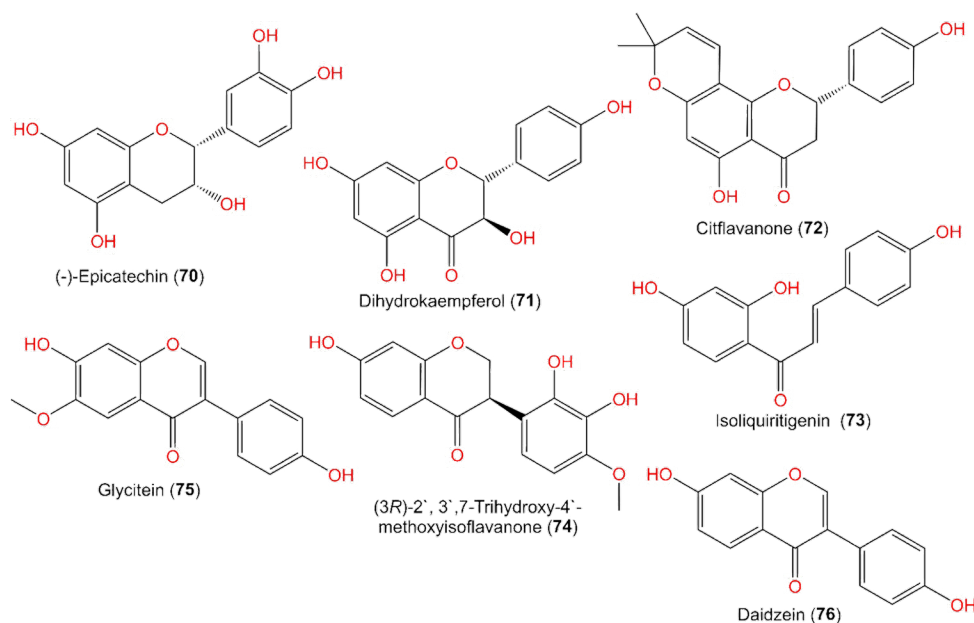


Figure 10. Chemical structures of flavonoids (70–76) from *Edgeworthia* genus

Sterols, Alkaloids, and Nitrogenous Compounds

Four sterols were reported, including chrysanthosides that are sterol acylglucosides identified from *E. chrysantha* flower that were characterized as sitosterol-3-O-6-linoleoyl (169) and sitosterol-3-O-6-linolenoyl- β -D-glucopyranosides (168) (Table 7; Figure S6).⁴⁷ Additionally, compounds 166 and 167 were obtained from *E. gardneri* flowers. *E. chrysantha*'s flower EtOAc extract at concentrations of 100 ppm and 10 ppm killed *Oryzia latipes* (Killie-fish) after 1 minutes and 28 hours, respectively, while the n-butanol extract did not affect the

same fish.⁴⁷ Compounds 168 and 169 (Conc. 0.1 ppm) exhibited powerful piscicidal effectiveness, they caused death to *Oryzia latipes* killie-fish within 3 hr.⁴⁷ Notably, 16 alkaloids and nitrogenous compounds were reported exclusively from *E. gardneri*, including berberine,⁵⁶ cytosine,⁵⁶ scopolamine, swainsonine,⁵⁶ gentianine,⁵⁶ and trigonelline⁵⁶ (Table 7; Figure S7).

Fatty Acids

Additionally, 20 fatty acids were reported predominantly from *E. gardneri* and *E. tomentosa* (Table 8; Figure S8).

Table 4. List of organic acids and esters isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound Name/Chemical Class | M. Wt. | Mol. Formula | Extract type | Species, Plant part, and Location | Ref. |
|--|--------|---|------------------|---|------|
| Organic acids | | | | | |
| Chlorogenic acid (77) | 354 | C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₉ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| | - | - | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 61 |
| | - | - | H ₂ O | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Chengdu, China | 15 |
| Chlorogenic acid methyl ester (78) | 368 | C ₁₇ H ₂₀ O ₉ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia papyrifera</i> (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), bark and wood, Gyeonggi, Korea | 43 |
| Neochlorogenic acid (79) | 354 | C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₉ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Methyl-3-O-(4''-hydroxy-3'',5''-dimethoxybenzoyl)-chlorogenate (80) | 548 | C ₂₆ H ₂₈ O ₁₃ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 3-Feruloylquinic acid (81) | 368 | C ₁₇ H ₂₀ O ₉ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Ningposide D (82) | 368 | C ₁₇ H ₂₀ O ₉ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| <i>trans</i> -P-Hydroxycinnamic acid (83) | 164 | C ₉ H ₈ O ₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Ferulic acid (84) | 194 | C ₁₀ H ₁₀ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Caffeic acid (85) | 180 | C ₉ H ₈ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 3-O-Acetyl-caffeic acid (86) | 222 | C ₁₁ H ₁₀ O ₅ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Benzoic acid (87) | 122 | C ₇ H ₆ O ₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 4-Hydroxybenzoic acid (88) | 138 | C ₇ H ₆ O ₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Salicylic acid (89) | 138 | C ₇ H ₆ O ₃ | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 53 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Gallic acid (90) | 170 | C ₇ H ₆ O ₅ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| (2,4,5-trihydroxy-phenyl)-glyoxylic acid (91) | 198 | C ₈ H ₆ O ₆ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 20 |
| Capillartemisin B (92) | 316 | C ₁₉ H ₂₉ O ₄ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Coumalic acid (93) | 140 | C ₆ H ₄ O ₄ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Xanthene-9-carboxylic acid (94) | 226 | C ₁₄ H ₁₀ O ₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Esters | | | | | |
| Vanillin isobutyrate (95) | 222 | C ₁₂ H ₁₄ O ₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Phenethyl acetate (96) | 164 | C ₁₀ H ₁₂ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| | | | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Methyl benzoate (97) | 136 | C ₈ H ₈ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| | | | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Benzyl acetate (98) | 150 | C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| | | | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Ethyl caffeate (99) | 208 | C ₁₁ H ₁₂ O ₄ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Dimethyl phthalate (100) | 194 | C ₁₀ H ₁₀ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Methyl salicylate (101) | 152 | C ₃ H ₈ O ₃ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| | | | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |

Table 5. List of aldehydes, phenols, lignans, chromans, and aromatic alcohols isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound name/chemical class | M. Wt. | Mol. formula | Extract type | Species, plant part, and location | Ref. |
|---|--------|---|-------------------|---|------|
| Aldehydes | | | | | |
| Benzeneacetaldehyde (102) | 120 | C ₈ H ₈ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Benzaldehyde (103) | 106 | C ₇ H ₆ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| 4-Hydroxybenzaldehyde (104) | 122 | C ₇ H ₆ O ₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Phenols | | | | | |
| Zingerone 4-O-β-D-glucopyranoside (105) | 356 | C ₁₇ H ₂₄ O ₈ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Coniferin (106) | 342 | C ₁₆ H ₂₂ O ₈ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Syringin (107) | 372 | C ₁₇ H ₂₄ O ₉ | <i>n</i> -Butanol | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, barks and stems, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China | 52 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Eugenol rutinoside (108) | 472 | C ₂₂ H ₃₂ O ₁₁ | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 53 |
| 2,6-Dimethoxy-4-(2-propen-1-yl)phenyl-6-O-(6-deoxy-α-L-mannopyranosyl)-β-D-glucopyranoside (109) | 502 | C ₂₃ H ₃₄ O ₁₂ | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 53 |
| Dimethyl lithospermate (110) | 566 | C ₂₉ H ₂₆ O ₁₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Erythro-dihydroxyde-hydrodiconiferyl alcohol (111) | 392 | C ₂₀ H ₂₄ O ₈ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 2-Methyl-1,4-Benzenediol (112) | 124 | C ₇ H ₈ O ₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Phloroglucinol (113) | 126 | C ₆ H ₆ O ₃ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Lignans | | | | | |
| (+)-Lariciresinol (114) | 360 | C ₂₀ H ₂₄ O ₆ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 17 |
| Neosamin (115) | 384 | C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₇ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Ciwujiatone (116) | 434 | C ₂₂ H ₂₆ O ₉ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Interiotherin C (117) | 556 | C ₃₀ H ₃₆ O ₁₀ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Chromans | | | | | |
| 5,6,7-Trihydroxy-3-(4'-hydroxybenzyl)chromone (118) | 300 | C ₁₆ H ₁₂ O ₆ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Cnidimol B (119) | 292 | C ₁₅ H ₁₆ O ₆ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 6-Formyl-isoophiopogonanone A (120) | 356 | C ₁₉ H ₁₆ O ₇ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Isoophiopogonanone A (121) | 328 | C ₁₈ H ₁₆ O ₆ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Aromatic alcohols | | | | | |
| Benzyl alcohol (122) | 108 | C ₇ H ₈ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| α-Cumyl alcohol (123) | 136 | C ₉ H ₁₂ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |

Table 6. List of terpenoids isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound name | M. Wt. | Mol. formula | Extract type | Species, plant part, and location | Ref. |
|---------------------------------|--------|---|--------------|--|------|
| Edgeworthianin A (124) | 658 | C ₃₆ H ₅₀ O ₁₁ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Hunan, China | 34 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers and stems, Chiba, Japan | 24 |
| Edgeworthianin B (125) | 744 | C ₄₀ H ₅₆ O ₁₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Hunan, China | 34 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers and stems, Chiba, Japan | 24 |
| Edgeworthianin C (126) | 778 | C ₄₃ H ₅₄ O ₁₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Hunan, China | 34 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers and stems, Chiba, Japan | 24 |
| Edgeworthianin D (127) | 644 | C ₃₆ H ₅₂ O ₁₀ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Hunan, China | 34 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers and stems, Chiba, Japan | 24 |
| Edgeworthianin E (128) | 730 | C ₄₀ H ₅₈ O ₁₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flower buds, Hunan, China | 34 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers and stems, Chiba, Japan | 24 |
| Edgeworthianin F (129) | 702 | C ₃₈ H ₅₄ O ₁₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers and stems, Chiba, Japan | 24 |
| Edgeworthianin G (130) | 758 | C ₄₁ H ₅₈ O ₁₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers and stems, Chiba, Japan | 24 |

Table 6. Continued.

| Compound name | M. Wt. | Mol. formula | Extract type | Species, plant part, and location | Ref. |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---|----------------|---|------|
| Cimadahuside I (131) | 690 | C ₃₉ H ₆₂ O ₁₀ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Picfeltaarainen X (132) | 664 | C ₃₆ H ₅₆ O ₁₁ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Bufotalinin (133) | 414 | C ₂₄ H ₃₀ O ₆ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Bruceine I (134) | 436 | C ₂₂ H ₂₈ O ₉ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Digiprolactone (135) | 196 | C ₁₁ H ₁₆ O ₃ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Chamigrenal (136) | 218 | C ₁₅ H ₂₂ O | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Bullatantriol (137) | 256 | C ₁₅ H ₂₈ O ₃ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| γ-Terpinene (138) | 136 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| α-Pinene (139) | 136 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| β-Pinene (140) | 136 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Carvone (141) | 150 | C ₁₀ H ₁₄ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Carveol (142) | 152 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| γ-Myrcene (143) | 136 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-Ocimene (144) | 136 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-cis-Ocimene (145) | 136 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Jasnone (146) | 164 | C ₁₁ H ₁₆ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| | - | - | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-Caryophyllene (147) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| α-Cubebene (148) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-Cubebene (149) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-Elemene (150) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| γ-Elemene (151) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-Cedrene (152) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| α-Farnesene (153) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-Farnesene (154) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| trans-Farnesol (155) | 222 | C ₁₅ H ₂₆ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| α-Humulene (156) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Trans-Nerolidol (157) | 222 | C ₁₅ H ₂₆ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| | - | - | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Gurjunene (158) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| δ-Cadinene (159) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| β-Phellandrene (160) | 136 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Lemonol (161) | 154 | C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Geranyl acetate (162) | 196 | C ₁₂ H ₂₀ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| α-Longifolene (163) | 204 | C ₁₅ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| 1,4-Dimethylindanyl acetate (164) | 204 | C ₁₃ H ₁₆ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Dihydroactinidiolide (165) | 180 | C ₁₁ H ₁₆ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |

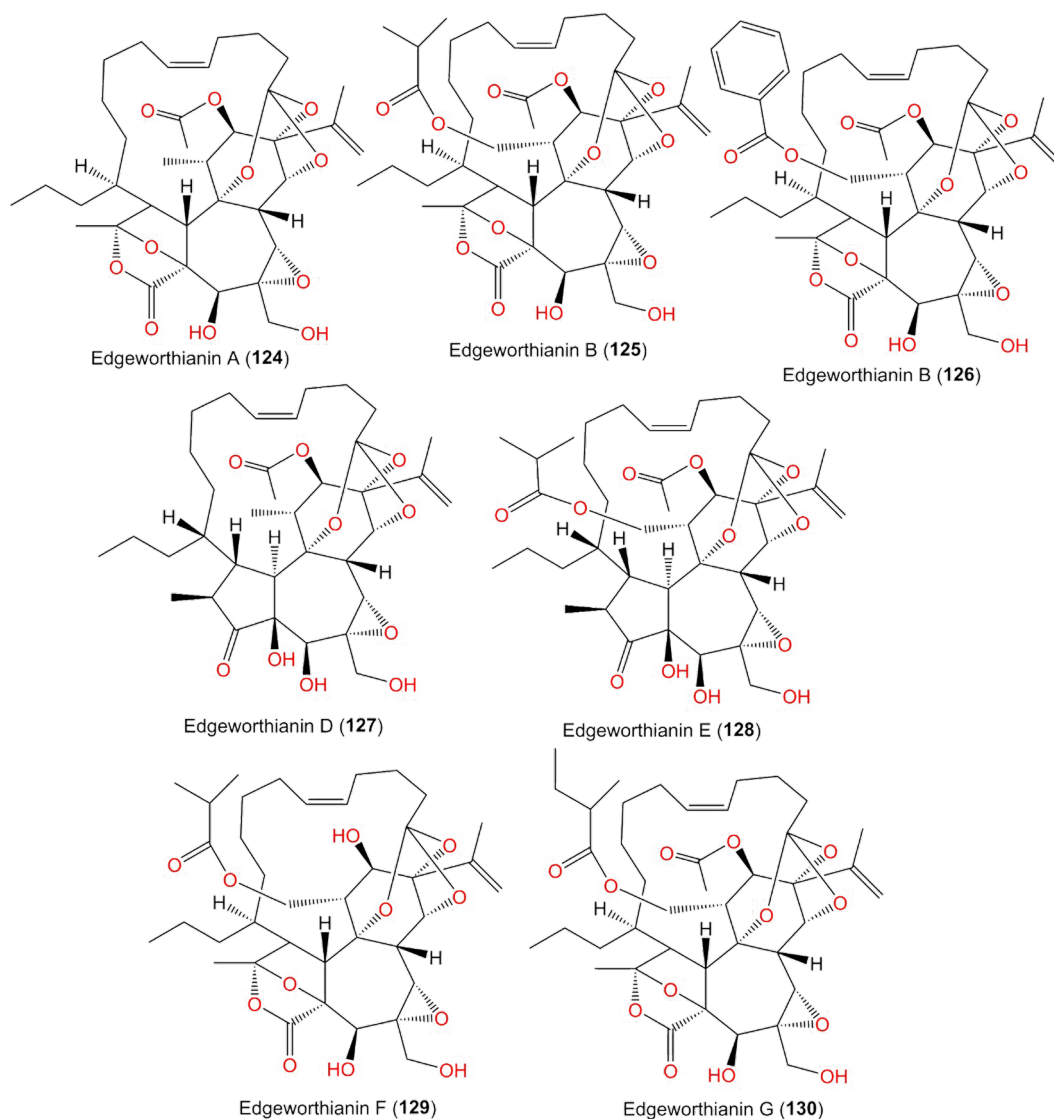


Figure 11. Chemical structures of terpenoids (124–130) from *Edgeworthia* genus

Among them, **186** activated PPAR β and PPAR γ , suggesting its PPAR γ and PPAR β agonistic potential.⁵⁵

Aliphatic Aldehydes, Hydrocarbons, Esters, Alcohols, and Other Metabolites

Further, hydrocarbons (6 compounds), aldehydes (6 compounds), esters (8 compounds), alcohols (5 compounds), and other metabolites were reported from this genus (Figures S9-S11; Table 9). Interestingly, compound **241** from *E. gardneri* alcohol extract exhibited *in vitro* α -glucosidase inhibition, comparable to acarbose.⁵³

Bioactivities of Edgeworthia Plant Extracts

Edgeworthia gardneri flowers were reported to exhibit significant anti-hyperglycemic, antioxidant, and α -glucosidase inhibitory capacities.^{11,32} Ma et al demonstrated that *E. gardneri* flowers extract exhibited potent α -glucosidase inhibitory activity (IC_{50} 267.0 μ g/mL) than acarbose (IC_{50} 465 μ g/mL).¹⁷ Similarly, Gao et al assessed the *in-vitro* PPAR γ / β dual agonist activity of different *E. gardneri* flower extracts, fractions, and

metabolites. It was noted that n-BuOH, n-hexane, and EtOAc extracts remarkably activated PPAR β and PPAR γ , respectively, with EtOAc extract showing the highest activity.⁵⁵ In addition, the extract promoted insulin secretion comparable to quercetin, however, it demonstrated more notable anti-apoptotic potential than quercetin.⁶⁰ Further, the flower water extract demonstrated inhibition of lipo-toxicity, as well as it notably enhanced glucose uptake and consumption in palmitate-treated HepG2 cells.⁶¹ Also, it increased glycogen content, suppressed endogenous glucose production, and lessened intracellular TG content in PA-treated HepG2 cells. These effects were related to GSK3 β /IRS-1/FoxO1 signaling pathway regulation and promoted GLUT4 and GLUT2 transporters translocation.⁶¹ A study by Chengfei et al reported that *E. gardneri* extract upregulated AMPK and LPL mRNA expression, while downregulated SREBP1c, PPAR γ , and Fas mRNA expression. This led to alleviate lipid and glucose metabolism disorders in KKAY mice through LPL/PPAR γ regulation and Fas/AMPK/SREBP1c pathway activation.¹⁵ *In-vivo*, *E. gardneri* flower H₂O

Table 7. List of sterols, alkaloids, and nitrogenous compounds isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound name/chemical class | M. Wt. | Mol. formula | Extract type | Species, plant part, and location | Ref. |
|--|--------|--|----------------|---|------|
| Sterols | | | | | |
| β -Sitosterol (166) | 414 | C ₂₉ H ₅₀ O | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| β -Daucosterol (167) | 576 | C ₃₅ H ₆₀ O ₆ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| Sitosterol-3-O-6-linolenoyl- β -D-glucopyranosides (168) | 836 | C ₅₃ H ₈₈ O ₇ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Osaka, Japan | 47 |
| Sitosterol-3-O-6-linolenoyl (169) | 674 | C ₄₇ H ₇₈ O ₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Osaka, Japan | 47 |
| Alkaloids and nitrogenous compounds | | | | | |
| β -Adenosine (170) | 267 | C ₁₀ H ₁₃ N ₅ O ₄ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| | - | - | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Cys (trioxidation)-Pro (171) | 266 | C ₈ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₆ S | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Pro-Ile (172) | 228 | C ₁₁ H ₂₀ N ₂ O ₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| GLu-His (173) | 284 | C ₁₁ H ₁₆ N ₄ O ₅ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| 9-Propyl-acridine (174) | 221 | C ₁₆ H ₁₅ N | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| 7-O-Isopentenyl-8-fagarine (175) | 313 | C ₁₈ H ₁₉ NO ₄ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| (3S)-1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro- β -carboline-3-carboxylic acid (176) | 216 | C ₁₂ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₂ | | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 49 |
| Flazin (177) | 308 | C ₁₇ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₄ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Gentialutine (178) | 147 | C ₁₀ H ₁₃ N | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Berberine (179) | 336 | C ₂₀ H ₁₈ NO ₄ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Swainonine (180) | 173 | C ₈ H ₁₅ NO ₃ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Trigonelline (181) | 137 | C ₇ H ₇ NO ₂ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Scopolamine (182) | 303 | C ₁₇ H ₂₁ NO ₄ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Cytisine (183) | 190 | C ₁₁ H ₁₄ N ₂ O | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Gln-Asp (184) | 261 | C ₉ H ₁₅ N ₃ O ₆ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| DL-Arginine (185) | 174 | C ₆ H ₁₄ N ₄ O ₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |

extract (3 g/kg/day) noticeably reduced blood glucose level by 30.0%.⁵⁶ Furthermore, it improved lipid metabolism, insulin sensitivity, and the function and morphology of adipose tissues, pancreas, and liver in diabetic mice and modulated the gut microbiota. Thus, this extract modulated gut microbiota constitution and enhanced short-chain fatty acid contents, suggesting its potential to improve lipid and glucose metabolic disturbances through gut microbiota reshaping in diabetic mice.⁵⁶ Additionally, the flower hexane extract improved the impaired β -cells by activating AKT, reducing caspase-3 gene transcription level and ROS generation, and suppressing FOXO1 and JNK activation STZ (streptozotocin)-high-fat diet diabetic mice model.¹⁶ Cardioprotective capacity of *E. gardneri* flowers were also reported. A 30% ethanol fraction of *E. gardneri* flowers remarkably weakened myocardial infarct size, improved cardiac function, and attenuated post-infarction adverse cardiac remodeling and inflammation in rats.²⁰ Its cardioprotective potential was due to repressing the activation of ERK, p38 MAPK, and NF- κ B signaling pathways, counteracting inflammatory injury to the ischemic heart. Hence, *E. gardneri* has the potential to manage ischemic cardiovascular illness and attenuate endothelial inflammation.²⁰ Similarly, *E. gardneri* flower 60%EtOH extract was reported to combat ischemia/

reperfusion-produced inflammation and its associated cardiac injury in rats by prohibiting endothelium activation via lessening NF- κ B, c-JNK, extracellular-regulated protein kinase, and p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase signaling pathways.¹⁹ Additionally, *E. gardneri*'s methylethyl ketone extract exhibited notable polymerase β lyase inhibition activity in an in-vitro assay employing purified human polymerase β enzyme, where inhibition was assessed by monitoring the incorporation of radiolabeled nucleotides into synthetic DNA substrates, indicating its potential for DNA repair modulation.³²

Both aqueous extracts of *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri* (dose 200 mg/kg/orally) lowered blood glucose in diabetic mice during an oral glucose tolerance test.¹² *E. chrysantha* barks and roots chloroform fractions exhibited notable anti-inflammation and analgesic properties, additionally 75% EtOH and chloroform fractions lessened LPS-stimulated NO formation in RAW264.7 cells.²³ Notably, *E. chrysantha* extract demonstrated potent α -glucosidase inhibitory (IC₅₀ 21.4 μ g/mL) potential than acarbose (IC₅₀ 73.6 μ M).¹⁸ Furthermore, *E. chrysantha* flower buds MeOH extract was found to show notable anti-HIV (EC₅₀ 4.1 μ g/mL) potential.³⁴ A study by Kim et al. revealed that *E. chrysantha* twigs and leaves extract reduced osteoclastic marker blood levels in ovariectomized mice and

Table 8. List of fatty acids isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound Name | M. Wt. | Mol. Formula | Extract type | Species, Plant part, and Location | Ref. |
|---|--------|--|----------------|---|------|
| Pentadecanoic acid (186) | 242 | C ₁₅ H ₃₀ O ₂ | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 40 |
| | - | - | 70% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 55 |
| | - | - | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Tridecanoic acid (187) | 214 | C ₁₃ H ₂₆ O ₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Hexadecanoic acid (188) | 256 | C ₁₆ H ₃₂ O ₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Sebacic acid (189) | 202 | C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Jasmonic acid (190) | 210 | C ₁₂ H ₁₈ O ₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| 9S,11R,15S-Trihydroxy-5Z-prostanoic acid (191) | 356 | C ₂₀ H ₃₆ O ₅ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Sanleng acid (192) | 330 | C ₁₈ H ₃₄ O ₅ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 12-Methyl-tetradecanoic acid (193) | 242 | C ₁₅ H ₃₀ O ₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Mevalonic acid (194) | 148 | C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| 3-Hydroxy-3-methylglutaric acid (195) | 162 | C ₆ H ₁₀ O ₅ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| α -Linolenic acid (196) | 278 | C ₁₈ H ₃₀ O ₂ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Palmitoleic acid (197) | 254 | C ₁₆ H ₃₀ O ₂ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Linoleic acid (198) | 280 | C ₁₈ H ₃₂ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| | - | - | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Stearic acid (199) | 284 | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O ₂ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| <i>trans</i> -Vacccenic acid (200) | 282 | C ₁₈ H ₃₄ O ₂ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Arachidonic acid (201) | 304 | C ₂₀ H ₃₂ O ₂ | EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 56 |
| Nonanoic acid (202) | 158 | C ₉ H ₁₈ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Octadecanoic acid (203) | 284 | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Oleic acid (204) | 282 | C ₁₈ H ₃₄ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| n-Decanoic acid (205) | 172 | C ₁₀ H ₂₀ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |

maintained the trabecular bone structure and volume.⁵⁷ In another *in-vitro* study by the same group, *E. chrysantha* stem extract prohibited RANKL-caused RAW 264.7 cells osteoclast differentiation and boosted MC3T3-E1 cells differentiation to osteoblast-like cells.⁴³ The extract also reduced elevated bone resorption biomarkers; tartrate-resistant acid phosphatase and pyridinoline (48.1 and 25.6 %, respectively), while preventing bone loss mediated by ovariectomy in mice.⁴³

Acute Toxicity

A study by Hu et al revealed that 75% EtOH extract of *E. chrysantha* bark and roots, along with various fractions, showed no acute toxicity at doses up to 5 g/kg. After 7 days of observation, the mice maintained normal body weight, and no common side effects such as mild diarrhea, weight loss, or depression were observed.²³ Although the tested *Edgeworthia* extracts were reported to be safe, these findings are based on limited experimental data. Thus, comprehensive toxicity evaluations are warranted to confirm safety profiles and to support potential pharmacological applications.

Discussion

Edgeworthia species chemically characterized by

structurally varied coumarins. Among the 32 coumarins reported from various species of the *Edgeworthia* genus, daphnoretin is most frequently reported coumarin, documented in 16 different studies. It was isolated from *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri* collected from different regions including Japan, China, India, Bhutan, and Korea, suggesting it as chemotaxonomic marker of *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri*. Glycosylated and dimeric coumarins such as **2** and **12** were also commonly found. Additionally, rare oligocoumarin **1** and its glycoside **4** and the unique coumarins **18** and **19** were identified exclusively in *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri*, respectively, indicating unique biosynthetic pathways of these species. These unique biosynthetic pathways of these species are suggested based on their phytochemical profiling, which revealed the production of rare coumarins and unusual flavonoids that are uncommon in related genera. *Edgeworthia* species, especially *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri* demonstrated various bioactivities, due in great part to their constituents particularly coumarins and flavonoids. Compound **2** exhibited notable anti-osteoporotic action by encouraging osteoblast proliferation and prohibiting osteoclast differentiation, suggesting its potential use in maintaining bone health. Compounds **5**, **7**, and **9** demonstrated substantial

Table 9. List of aldehydes, esters, alcohols, hydrocarbons, ethers, and other metabolites isolated from genus *Edgeworthia*

| Compound name/chemical class | M. Wt. | Mol. formula | Extract type | Species, plant part, and location | Ref. |
|--|--------|---|----------------|---|------|
| Aldehydes | | | | | |
| Palmital (206) | 240 | C ₁₆ H ₃₂ O | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Decanal (207) | 156 | C ₁₀ H ₂₀ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Dodecyl aldehyde (208) | 184 | C ₁₂ H ₂₄ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Nonanal (209) | 142 | C ₉ H ₁₈ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Octadecanal (210) | 268 | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| 2,2-Dimethyl-3,4-octadienal (211) | 152 | C ₁₀ H ₁₆ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Esters | | | | | |
| Methyl 7,10-hexadecadienoate (212) | 266 | C ₁₇ H ₃₀ O ₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 4-Methyl ester octenoic acid (213) | 158 | C ₉ H ₁₈ O ₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Ethyllinolenate (214) | 306 | C ₂₀ H ₃₄ O ₂ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flower buds, Tibet, China | 24 |
| Hexadecanoate (215) | 270 | C ₁₇ H ₃₄ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Methyl linoleate (216) | 294 | C ₁₉ H ₃₄ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Methyl linolenate (217) | 292 | C ₁₉ H ₃₂ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| 9-Oxononanoic acid methyl ester (218) | 186 | C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₃ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| 10,13-Eicosadienoic acid, methyl ester (219) | 322 | C ₂₁ H ₃₈ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| (Z)-Acetic acid-3-hexenol acetate (220) | 142 | C ₈ H ₁₄ O ₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Alcohols | | | | | |
| 2-Ethyl-1-hexanol (221) | 130 | C ₈ H ₁₈ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| cis-3-Decen-1-ol (222) | 156 | C ₁₀ H ₂₀ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Panaxydol (223) | 260 | C ₁₇ H ₂₄ O ₂ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Inositol (224) | 180 | C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₆ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| Conduritol (225) | 146 | C ₆ H ₁₀ O ₄ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| Hydrocarbons | | | | | |
| Heneicosane (226) | 296 | C ₂₁ H ₄₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Heptacosane (227) | 380 | C ₂₇ H ₅₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Tetracosane (228) | 338 | C ₂₄ H ₅₀ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| trans-3-Dodecene (229) | 168 | C ₁₂ H ₂₄ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| 4,6-Dimethyl-undecane (230) | 184 | C ₁₃ H ₂₈ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| 4-Methyl-tetradecane (231) | 212 | C ₁₅ H ₃₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Tert-hexadecanethiol (232) | 258 | C ₁₆ H ₃₄ S | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, China | 63 |
| Ethers | | | | | |
| Hexyl octyl ether (233) | 214 | C ₁₄ H ₃₀ O | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| Other metabolites | | | | | |
| (-)-Grasshopper ketone (234) | 224 | C ₁₃ H ₂₀ O ₃ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Osaka, Japan | 47 |
| (-)-3-O-Acetyl-grasshopper ketone (235) | 266 | C ₁₅ H ₂₂ O ₄ | MeOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Osaka, Japan | 47 |
| 2,6-Dimethoxyquinone (236) | 168 | C ₈ H ₈ O ₄ | 75% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, stems and barks, Nancang, Jiangxi, China | 38 |
| 2(4H)-Benzofuranone (237) | 134 | C ₈ H ₆ O ₂ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia tomentosa</i> (Thunb.) Nakai (<i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i>), flowers, Zhejiang, China | 31 |
| Benzoyl chloride (238) | 140 | C ₇ H ₅ ClO | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |
| O-Methyl acetophenone (239) | 134 | C ₉ H ₁₀ O | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 4-Methoxy-2,7-dihydroxy-9,10-dihydrophenanthrene (240) | 242 | C ₁₅ H ₁₄ O ₃ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 2,4,6-Trichlorol-3-methyl-5-methoxy-phenol 1-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl-(1-6)-β-D-glucopyranoside (241) | 564 | C ₂₀ H ₂₇ Cl ₃ O ₁₂ | EtOAc | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, China | 53 |
| Emodin-8-O-(6'-O-acetyl)-β-D-glucoside (242) | 474 | C ₂₃ H ₂₂ O ₁₁ | 95% EtOH | <i>Edgeworthia gardneri</i> (Wall.) Meissn, flowers, Tibet, China | 32 |
| 1,1,6-Trimethyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalene (243) | 172 | C ₁₃ H ₁₆ | Essential oils | <i>Edgeworthia chrysantha</i> Lindl, flowers, Zhejiang, China | 36 |

suppression of polymerase- β lyase, while compound **9** increased bleomycin's cytotoxicity through inhibition of DNA repair. Further, compound **9** had powerful α -glucosidase inhibitory activity, compound **16** improved glucose absorption in adipocytes, and compound **25** acted as a dual PPAR γ /PPAR β agonist.

Besides, *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri* are abundant in structurally varied flavonoids that are renowned for their substantial bioactivities. Particularly, biflavonoids such as daphnodorin dimers demonstrated marked α -glucosidase inhibition. Compound **45** revealed multiple bioactivities. Its dual suppression of α -amylase and α -glucosidase, as well as its modulation of lipid metabolism and glucose uptake pathways. Also, compounds **67** had powerful α -glucosidase inhibitory activity and boosted insulin secretion. These findings reinforce *Edgeworthia* plants potential as a candidate for metabolic syndrome interventions.

E. chrysantha, *E. gardneri*, and *E. tomentosa* yielded different types of terpenoids such as macrocyclic daphnane orthoesters, monoterpenes, sesquiterpenes, and their oxygenated derivatives, highlighting the diverse biosynthetic capacity of these species. Among them, **127** and **128** showed nanomolar anti-HIV efficacy, suggesting their promise as antiviral agents. The structural features of daphnane orthoesters such as the cyclopentanone moiety and the C-18 isobutyryloxy substitution enhanced the bioactivity. *E. chrysantha* and *E. tomentosa* essential oils were rich in sesquiterpenes and monoterpenes with broad-spectrum antibacterial properties. *E. chrysantha*'s sterol acylglucosides exhibited remarkable piscicidal activity, while *E. gardneri*'s alkaloids displayed species-specific bioactivity. Compounds **186** and **241** demonstrated dual activation of PPAR β / γ and α -glucosidase inhibition, further confirming metabolic regulatory and antidiabetic potential of this genus.

The published pharmacological properties, especially for *Edgeworthia gardneri* and *E. chrysantha* underline their promising therapeutic potential and correlate with their traditional uses. For example, PPAR γ / β dual agonist, α -glucosidase inhibitory, lipid-lowering, cardioprotective, and antioxidant properties support *E. gardneri* flowers usage to treat hyperlipidemia, diabetes, hypertension, obesity, and cardiovascular conditions. Similarly, its use of stem and root to cure buboes is also aligned with its anti-inflammatory capacity. *E. chrysantha* has long been used to treat eye conditions, muscle soreness, rheumatism, bruises, and fractures that align with its anti-inflammatory and analgesic activities. These correlations validate *Edgeworthia* species ethnopharmacological relevance and encourage further research into the therapeutic applications of these plants. However, the reported in-vivo doses in this work are linked to specific experimental conditions and animal models used in the reported studies. Therefore, careful consideration of safety verification and clinical validation are required to translate these doses to human applications.

The *Edgeworthia* extracts and chemical constituents' antibacterial activity has been reported against both Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria, including *S. aureus*, *B. subtilis*, and *E. coli*, with inhibition zones and MIC values, indicating moderate to strong potency. Such activity suggests possibility for further development as antibacterial agents for infections or as natural preservatives. Similarly, the piscicidal activity, suggests that secondary metabolites produced from *Edgeworthia* may be used to control pests. However, further studies on safety, toxicity, and mechanism of action are required.

Conclusion

Medicinal plants and their constituents have a crucial role in the prevention and treatment of several illnesses. The current work summarized the reported investigations of *Edgeworthia* species and their biological activities. A total of 243 compounds were identified, including flavonoids, coumarins, terpenoids, phenolics, alkaloids, lignans, organic acids, sterols, fatty acids, and chromans. Flavonoids, terpenoids, and coumarins represent the major identified metabolites (Figure 12). These compounds were separated mainly from *E. chrysantha* and *E. gardneri* obtained from different countries: China, Japan, Korea, India, and Bhutan, whereas *E. chrysantha* is the most studied species (Figure 13). Additionally, these compounds were separated from different plant parts, including roots, stems, barks, flower buds, and whole plants, whereas most of them were obtained from the flowers of these plants.

Some of them possess unique structural features such as such as the daphnane-type diterpenoid orthoester moiety, specific prenylation patterns in flavonoids, and glycosylation profiles in coumarins that can remarkably influence membrane permeability, lipophilicity, membrane permeability, and receptor-binding affinity, thereby affecting their selectivity, potency, and overall pharmacological properties.

Flavonoids, terpenoids, and coumarins represent key bioactive metabolites that might directly or indirectly contribute to the highlighted bioactivities and justify the plants' traditional uses in various cultures. Additionally, the reported data in this work revealed notable connectivity among folk uses and the validated bioactivities of these plants. These findings highlight the therapeutic potential of *Edgeworthia* species, underscoring the need for structure-activity relationship studies to guide the development of new therapeutic agents.

Despite the considerable number of reported works on this genus, there are limited or lacking studies that focus on derivatization, biosynthetic pathways, possible mechanisms, and the relationship between the bioactivity and these metabolites' structures. Also, attempts to investigate the unstudied species and evaluate the bioactivities of the untested constituents are required. Clinical trials and safety verification of these plants and their constituents are warranted before

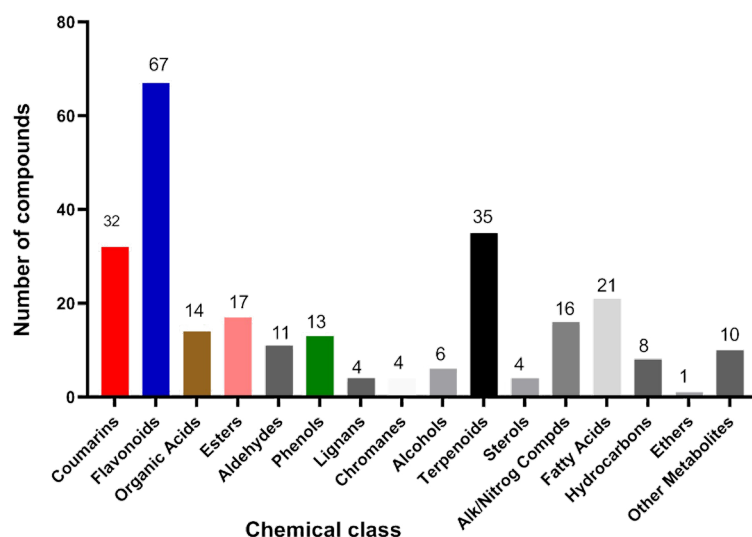


Figure 12. Number of compounds reported from different classes isolated from *Edgeworthia* species

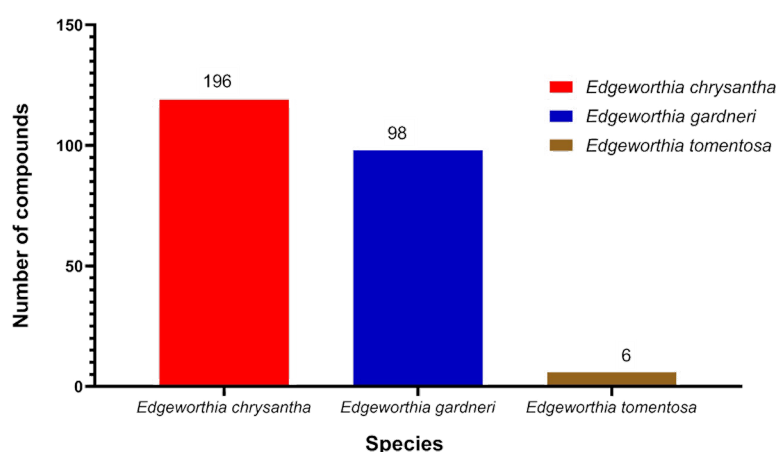


Figure 13. Number of compounds reported from *Edgeworthia* plants

their pharmacological utilization for drug discovery. Therefore, these areas should be the focus of future work on this genus.

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