

Insecticidal Activity of the Essential Oil of *Ligusticum mutellina* Roots

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The essential oil obtained from roots of different collections of *Ligusticum mutellina* was tested against 3rd instar armyworms, *Pseudaletia unipuncta* (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae), for insecticidal activity. The main compounds were isolated and their structures were elucidated using 2D-NMR techniques. Our collections contained dillapiole, ligustilide and myristicin as major compounds. The previously reported sarisan was not present, moreover its occurrence in *L. mutellina* should be revised based on our findings.

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