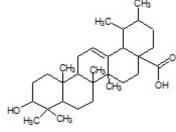
Drug Status Report

Drug: Pygeum africanum

Drug Name Status: Pygeum africanum is the botanical name.

Other Name: Prunus africana

Chemical structure of components¹:



Ursolic acid

Molecular Formula: C₃₀H₄₈O₃

Pharmacological class / Application: anti-infective; antineoplastic

International status:

US: The substance is not currently listed on the schedules to the US Controlled Substances Act and is not mentioned on the DEA website.

United Nations: The substance is not listed on the Yellow List - List of Narcotic Drugs under International Control nor the Green List - List of Psychotropic Substances under International Control.

Canadian Status: Hass et al. identified several components in Pygeum africanum. The only substance that was not a fatty acid was ursolic acid. Ursolic acid is not similar to any substance currently listed on the schedules to the CDSA.

Recommendation: Pygeum africanum does not contain a controlled substance.

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¹ Hass MA, Nowak DM, Leonova E, Levin RM, Longhurst PA., Phytomedicine. 1999 Nov;6(5):379-88.