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CRINUM; AN ENDLESS SOURCE OF BIOACTIVE PRINCIPLES: A REVIEW, PART II. CRINUM ALKALOIDS: CRININE-TYPE ALKALOIDS

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ABSTRACT

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Crinum is a genus of about 130 species belonging to family Amaryllidaceae with wide geographical distribution throughout the tropics, subtropics and warm temperate regions of the world. These plants are not only showy ornamentals but they possess significant folkloric and commercial reputation as well. Long ago, *Crinums* have been subjected to extensive chemical, cytological and pharmacological investigations. Phytochemical investigations have resulted in isolation of several diverse classes of phytochemicals and have been focused predominantly on alkaloids. The present part of our review work about the phytochemical, biological and toxicological studies on *Crinums* summarizes crinine-type alkaloids isolated up to now as well as their structural and stereochemical differences, in addition to their distribution in different *Crinum* species.

INTRODUCTION: *Crinum* is a perennial bulbous herb belonging to tribe Amaryllideae of family Amaryllidaceae and contains about 130 species distributed in Africa, America, southern Asia and Australia. African lands enjoy most species and about twenty-two are endemic to Southern Africa ¹. Amaryllidaceae species are considered an exclusive source of Amaryllidaceae alkaloids that possess wide range of interesting biological activities.

Besides their popularity as ornamental plants with beautiful and elegant flowers, they possess different interesting medicinal effects such as analgesic, immunostimulating, antineoplastic, antiviral and antimicrobial effects. Since about 1950s, *Crinums* have been subjected to extensive chemical and biological investigations due to their richness in pharmacologically active principles, especially alkaloids ².

Therefore, as a part of our ongoing comprehensive review work on various classes of *Crinum* alkaloidal and non-alkaloidal constituents as well as their biological activities, the present part of our work reviews crinine-type alkaloids isolated from *Crinums* in addition to their structural and stereochemical differences as the most common type among *Crinum* alkaloids. Additionally, their distribution in various species studied so far is also completely considered (out of around 130 species, only about thirty-five have been phytochemically investigated) ³.



Crinine-type alkaloids: Phytochemical investigations of different plant parts of many *Crinum* species have yielded a large number of alkaloids belonging to the 5, 10b-ethanophenanthridine nucleus (crinine-type) (Table 1 and Figure 2). The isolated alkaloids of this

type exhibited a wide and variable substitution patterns and according to their stereochemistry, they can be generally divided into two skeletons; (-)-Crinane and (+)-Crinane skeletons (Figure 1).

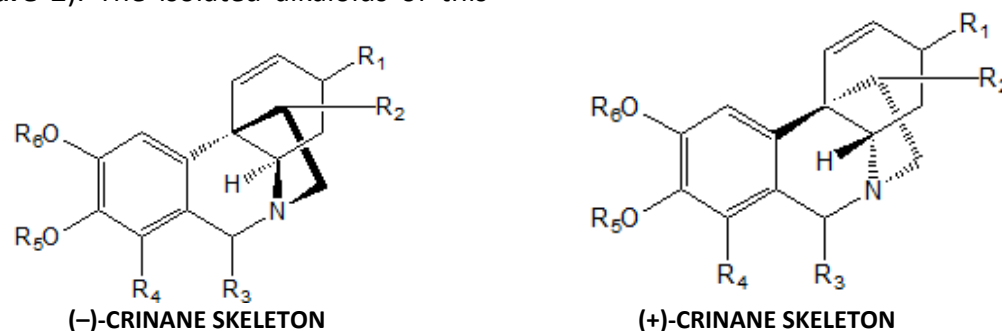


FIGURE 1: BASIC SKELETONS OF CRININE-TYPE ALKALOIDS WITH COMMON SUBSTITUTION POSITIONS

TABLE 1: A LIST OF CRININE-TYPE ALKALOIDS ISOLATED FROM DIFFERENT *CRINUM* SPECIES

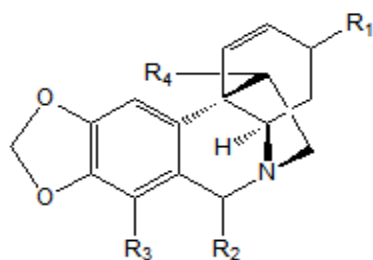
No.	Alkaloid name	Molecular Formula	mp (°C) / [α] _D	Plant source	Plant parts	References
1	11-O-Acetyl-ambelline.	C ₂₀ H ₂₃ NO ₆	80–82° / –23.5° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	----	4
2	11-O-Acetyl-1,2-β-epoxy ambelline.	C ₂₀ H ₂₃ NO ₇	195–197° / –49.9° (MeOH)	<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	----	4
3	1-O-Acetyl-bulbisine	C ₁₉ H ₂₃ NO ₆		<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>sinicum</i>	Leaves	5
4	2-O-Acetyl-bulbisine	C ₁₉ H ₂₃ NO ₆		<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>sinicum</i>	Leaves	5
5	2-O-Acetyl-crinamabine.	C ₁₈ H ₂₂ NO ₆		<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>sinicum</i>	Leaves	5
6	3-O-Acetyl-crinine (krepowine).	C ₁₈ H ₁₉ NO ₄	140–141° / +68.4° (EtOH) +59.3° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. americanum</i> L. <i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne. <i>C. macowanii</i> Baker <i>C. moorei</i> Hook F. <i>C. powellii</i> Hort. <i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>krelagei</i>	Bulbs Bulbs Bulbs Whole plant Bulbs ----	6 7, 8 9 10 11 12
7	3-O-acetyl-8-O-demethyl-maritidine.	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ NO ₄		<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>sinicum</i>	Leaves	5
8	3-O-Acetyl-hamayne.	C ₁₈ H ₁₉ NO ₅	110–112° / +49.3° (EtOH)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne. <i>C. kirkii</i> Baker <i>C. latifolium</i> Linn. <i>C. macowanii</i> Baker <i>C. moorei</i> Hook F. <i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	Whole plant Bulbs Bulbs Whole plant Whole plant Bulblets Bulbs	13 14 7 15 16 17 18
9	3-O-Acetyl-powelline	C ₁₉ H ₂₁ NO ₅	59–60° / +65.8° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8
10	Amabiline (Crinan-1,2-diol)	C ₁₆ H ₁₉ NO ₄	210° / –32° (EtOH)	<i>C. amabile</i> Donn. <i>C. kirkii</i> Baker <i>C. stuhlamanii</i> Baker	Bulbs Bulbs Bulbs	19 20 21
11	Ambelline.	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ NO ₅	260–261° / –13.6° (MeOH) +32° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. amabile</i> Donn. <i>C. asiaticum</i> L. <i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>japonicum</i> <i>C. augustum</i> Rox. <i>C. latifolium</i> Linn. <i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>harlemense</i> <i>C. pretense</i> <i>C. stuhlamanii</i> Baker	Bulbs ---- ---- ---- ---- ---- ---- Bulbs ----	22 23 23 23, 24 25, 26 27 12 21 28

				<i>C. yemense</i> Defl. <i>C. zeylanicum</i>	Bulbs	29
12	3-[4'-(8'-aminoethyl)-phenoxy]bulbispermine.	C ₂₄ H ₂₆ N ₂ O ₄	+53.3° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. moorei</i> Hook F.	Whole plant	10
13	3,4-Anhydropowelline.	C ₁₇ H ₁₇ NO ₃	+ 22° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8
14	Augustine.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₄	174 –176° / -44.8° (MeOH) -46.25° (EtOH)	<i>C. amabile</i> Donn.	Bulbs	19
				<i>C. americanum</i> L. <i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Bulbs Leaves Whole plant	22 30 31, 32
15	Augustisine.	C ₁₇ H ₂₁ NO ₃	173–175° / –30° (MeOH)	<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Leaves	8
16	Bowdensine.	C ₂₁ H ₂₅ NO ₇		<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	7
17	Bulbisine.	C ₁₇ H ₂₁ NO ₅	182–183° / +27.14(MeOH)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8
18	Bulbispermine.	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ NO ₄		<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	33
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Whole plant	13
				<i>C. yemense</i> Defl.	Whole plant Bulbs	34 35
19	Buphanidrine.	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ NO ₄	90–92° / + 4.2° (EtOH)	<i>C. erubescens</i> Ait.	Bulbs	36
				<i>C. kunthianum</i> Roem.	Leaves	37
				<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Leaves	38
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Bulbs	9
20	Buphanidrine-6-hydroxy.	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ NO ₅		<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Leaves	38
				<i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	----	29
21	Buphanidrine-6-β-ethoxy.	C ₂₀ H ₂₅ NO ₅		<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8
				<i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	----	29
22	(–)-Buphanisine.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₃	122–124° / – 20° (MeOH) – 26° (EtOH)	<i>C. amabile</i> Donn.	Bulbs	19
				<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Bulbs	22
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Whole plants	31, 32
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs Bulbs	39 8
23	(–)-Buphanisine-6-α-hydroxy.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₄	126–128° / +40.04°(EtOH)	<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Whole plants	31, 40
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8, 41
24	(–)-Buphanisine-6-β-hydroxy.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₄	126–128° / +40.04°(EtOH)	<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Whole plants	31, 40
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8
25	Buphanisine-6-α-ethoxy.	C ₁₉ H ₂₃ NO ₅		<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Leaves	8
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8
26	Crinafolidine.	C ₁₉ H ₂₃ NO ₆		<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Fruits	42
27	Crinafoline.	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ NO ₆		<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Fruits	42
28	Crinalbine.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₅	130–132° / +24° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	43
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>album</i>	Bulbs	44
29	Crinamabine.	C ₁₆ H ₂₀ NO ₅	235–238° / +35° (MeOH)	<i>C. amabile</i> Donn.	Bulbs	22
30	Crinamabine-7-methoxy	C ₁₇ H ₂₂ NO ₆		<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>sinicum</i>	Leaves	5
31	(–)-Crinamidine.	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ NO ₅	215–217° / –10° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	7
				<i>C. erubescens</i> Ait.	Bulbs	36
				<i>C. kunthianum</i> Roem.	Leaves	37
				<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Leaves	38
				<i>C. laurentii</i> Durand & Dewild	----	45
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Bulbs	9
				<i>C. moorei</i> Hook F.	Whole plant Seeds, Bulbs Bulblets	15, 16 46, 47 17
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Whole plant	16
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>krelagei</i>	----	45
					Bulbs	44

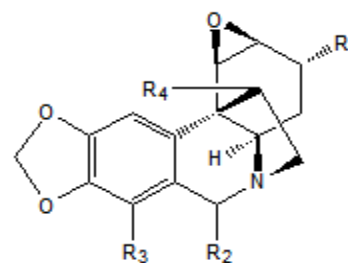
32	(+) - Crinamine.	$C_{17}H_{19}NO_4$	199–201° / +157° (CHCl ₃) +356.8° (MeOH)	<i>C. ambile</i> Donn.	Bulbs	19
				<i>C. americanum</i> L.	Leaves	30
				<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	Bulbs	23, 48
				<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>japonicum</i>	Leaves	7, 49
				<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Whole plant	31, 40
					Bulbs	39
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	43
					Whole plant	7, 16
				<i>C. defixum</i> Ker.	Bulbs	50
				<i>C. erubescens</i> Ait.	Bulbs	36
				<i>C. firmifolium</i> var. <i>hygrophilum</i>	Whole plant	51
				<i>C. glaucum</i> Chevalier	Bulbs	52
				<i>C. Jagus</i> Dandy	Bulbs	53
				<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Bulbs	52
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Bulbs	7, 9
					Whole plant	15, 16
				<i>C. moorei</i> Hook F.	Bulblets	17
<i>C. ornatum</i>	Whole plant	16				
<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Bulbs	54				
<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>krelagei</i>	Bulbs	55				
<i>C. scabrum</i> Herb.	----	8				
<i>C. stuhlmanii</i> Baker	Whole plant	50				
<i>C. yemense</i> Defl.	Bulbs	21				
<i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	Bulbs	18, 35				
33	(+) - Crinamine-6- α -hydroxy.	$C_{17}H_{19}NO_5$	210° / +46° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	----	23
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Whole plant	13, 16
				<i>C. delagoense</i> Verdoorn	Bulbs	9
				<i>C. erubescens</i> Ait.	Bulbs	36
				<i>C. firmifolium</i>	Bulbs	56
				<i>C. firmifolium</i> var. <i>hygrophilum</i>	Whole plant	51
				<i>C. Jagus</i> Dandy	Bulbs	53
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Bulbs	27
				<i>C. scabrum</i> Herb.	Whole plant	50
				<i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	Bulbs	18
34	(+) - Crinamine-6- β -hydroxy.	$C_{17}H_{19}NO_5$	210° / +46° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	----	23
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Whole plant	13, 16
				<i>C. delagoense</i> Verdoorn	Bulbs	9
				<i>C. erubescens</i> Ait.	Bulbs	36
				<i>C. firmifolium</i>	Bulbs	56
				<i>C. firmifolium</i> var. <i>hygrophilum</i>	Whole plant	51
				<i>C. Jagus</i> Dandy	Bulbs	53
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Bulbs	27
				<i>C. scabrum</i> Herb.	Whole plant	50
				<i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	Bulbs	18
35	(+) - Crinamine-6- β -methoxy.	$C_{18}H_{21}NO_5$	+ 20.2° (MeOH)	<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Bulbs	39
				<i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	Bulbs	18
36	Crinan-3 α -ol.	$C_{16}H_{19}NO_3$		<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Leaves	38
37	Crinateine.	$C_{18}H_{21}NO_5$		<i>C. natans</i> Linn.	Bulbs	57
				<i>C. oliganthum</i> Urban	Bulbs	30
38	(–) - Crinine.	$C_{16}H_{17}NO_3$	209–210° / – 11° (CHCl ₃) – 9° (EtOH)	<i>C. amabile</i> Donn.	Bulbs	58
				<i>C. americanum</i> L.	Bulbs	6
				<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	----	23
				<i>C. augustum</i> Rox.	Leaves	8
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	7, 43

				<i>C. kirkii</i> Baker	Bulbs	20
59	(+) -Haemanthamine (3-epicrinamine).	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₄	200–203° / +19.7° (MeOH)	<i>C. americanum</i> L.	Leaves	30
				<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	----	23
				<i>C. defixum</i> Ker.	Bulbs	28
				<i>C. glaucum</i> Chevalier	Bulbs	52
				<i>C. Jagus</i> Dandy	Bulbs	52
				<i>C. ornatum</i>	Bulbs	54
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>album</i>	Bulbs	44
				<i>C. yemense</i> Defl.	Whole plant	35
60	Haemanthidine (pancratine).	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₅	189–190° / – 41° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	----	23
61	Haemultine.			<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Bulbs	27
62	Hamayne.	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ NO ₄	79–80° / +79° (EtOH)	<i>C. americanum</i> L.	Roots	30
				<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	----	49
				<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>japonicum</i>	----	49
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	33, 43
				<i>C. delagoense</i> Verdoorn	Bulbs	9
				<i>C. firmifolium</i> var. <i>hygrophilum</i>	Whole plant	51
				<i>C. glaucum</i> Chevalier	Bulbs	52
				<i>C. Jagus</i> Dandy	Bulbs	52, 53
				<i>C. kirkii</i> Baker	Bulbs	14, 20
				<i>C. kunthianum</i> Roem.	Leaves	37
				<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Bulbs	7
				<i>C. lugardiae</i> N.E.Br.	Bulbs, Roots	59
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Whole plant	34
<i>C. ornatum</i>	Bulbs	54				
<i>C. stuhlmanii</i> Baker	Bulbs	21				
<i>C. zeylanicum</i> Linn.	Bulbs	18				
63	6-α-Hydroxy-crinamidine.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₆	254–256° / +26° (MeOH)	<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Leaves	63
64	(+) -11-Hydroxyvittatine.	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ NO ₄	225–227° / + 9° (MeOH)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	64
65	Krelagine.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₄	202° / +290° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>krelagei</i>	Bulbs	44, 60
66	Macowine.	C ₁₆ H ₁₉ NO ₃	115–117° / –34° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. kirkii</i> Baker	Bulbs	20
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Bulbs	9
67	Nerbowdine (hemanthine).	C ₁₇ H ₂₁ NO ₅		<i>C. erubescens</i> Ait.	Bulbs	36
68	Oliganine.	C ₂₀ H ₂₄ N ₂ O ₃		<i>C. oliganthum</i> Urban	Whole plant	30
69	(-) -Oxocrine.	C ₁₆ H ₁₅ NO ₃	185–186° / –24.6° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. americanum</i> L.	Bulbs	6
70	(-) -Powellamine.	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ NO ₃	198–200° / – 49° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Bulbs	11, 55
71	(+) -Powellamine (cripaline)	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ NO ₃		<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Bulbs	55, 60
72	Powelline.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₄	200–201°	<i>C. asiaticum</i> L.	Bulbs	48, 61
				<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>sinicum</i>	Bulbs	61
				<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	43
				<i>C. erubescens</i> Ait.	Bulbs	36
				<i>C. kunthianum</i> Roem.	Leaves	37
				<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Bulbs	7
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Bulbs	9
				<i>C. moorei</i> Hook F.	Whole plant	15, 16
					Seeds	46
					Bulbs	47
	Whole plant	10, 16				
	Bulbs	30, 55				
	Bulbs	44				
	<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var.	----	55, 65			

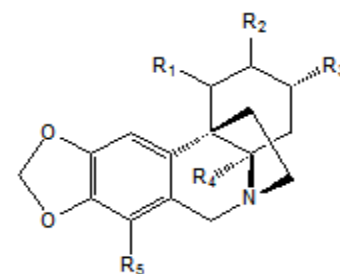
				<i>harlemense</i>		
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>krelagei</i>	Bulbs	44
73	Powelline-6-hydroxy.	C ₁₇ H ₁₉ NO ₅		<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Leaves	38
74	Powelline-6- α -ethoxy	C ₁₉ H ₂₃ NO ₅		<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne.	Bulbs	8
75	(+)-siculine.	C ₁₈ H ₁₉ NO ₃		<i>C. asiaticum</i> var. <i>sinicum</i>	Leaves	5
76	Undulatine.	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ NO ₅	149–150° / –46° (CHCl ₃)	<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Bulbs	7
				<i>C. macowanii</i> Baker	Bulbs	9
				<i>C. moorei</i> Hook F.	Whole plant	10
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort.	Bulbs	27
				<i>C. powellii</i> Hort. var. <i>krelagei</i>	Bulbs	60
				<i>C. yemense</i> Defl.	----	28
77	Undulatine-6-hydroxy.	C ₁₈ H ₂₁ NO ₆	113–116° / +8.4° (MeOH)	<i>C. latifolium</i> Linn.	Leaves	38
78	(+)-Vittatine.	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ NO ₃	206–208° / +26° (MeOH)	<i>C. bulbispermum</i> Milne	Bulbs	64
79	Yemenine A.			<i>C. yemense</i> Defl.	Bulbs	35
80	Yemenine B.			<i>C. yemense</i> Defl.	Bulbs	35
81	Yemenine C.			<i>C. yemense</i> Defl.	Bulbs	35



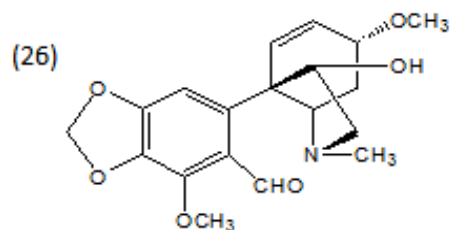
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(1)	α OMe	H	OMe	OAc
(6)	α OAc	H	H	H
(9)	α OAc	H	OMe	H
(11)	α OMe	H	OMe	OH
(19)	α OMe	H	OMe	H
(20)	α OMe	OH	OMe	H
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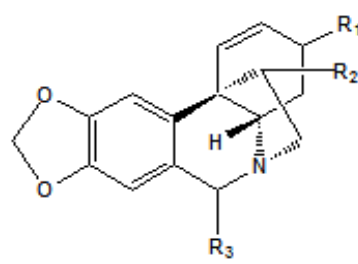
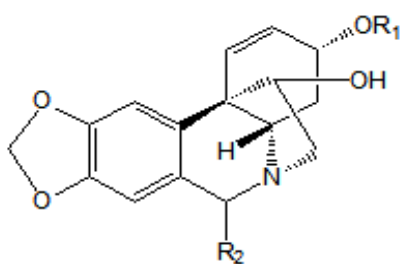
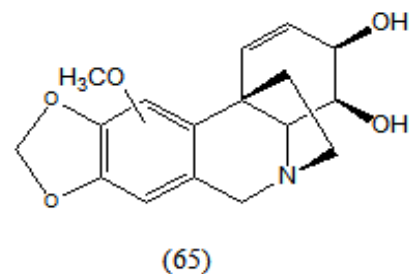
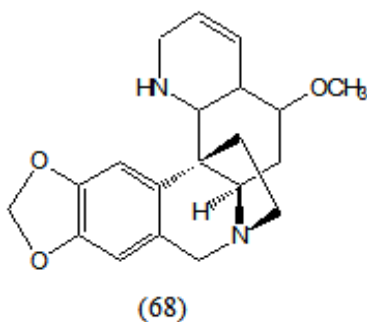
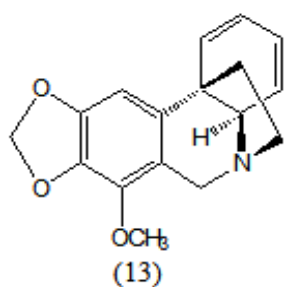
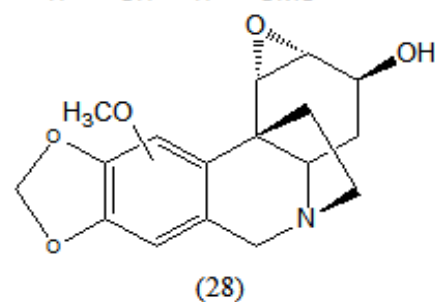
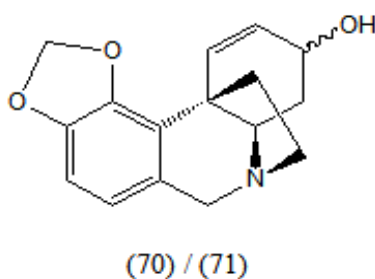
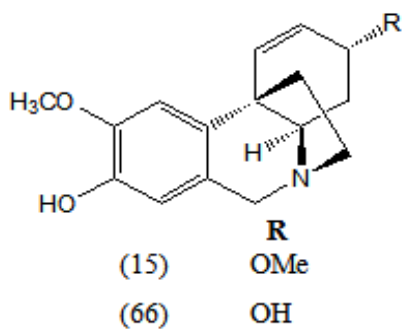
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(57)	OMe	H	OMe	OH
(58)	H	H	H	H
(63)	H	OH	OMe	H
(76)	OMe	H	OMe	H
(77)	OMe	OH	OMe	H



(40)	α OH	β OH	H	H					
(41)	α OH	α OEt	H	H		R_1	R_2	R_3	R_4
(69)	O	H	H	H	(3)	β OAc	β OH	H	H
(72)	α OH	H	OMe	H	(4)	β OH	β OAc	H	H
(73)	α OH	OH	OMe	H	(5)	β OH	β OAc	H	OH
(74)	α OH	α OEt	OMe	H	(10)	α OH	α OH	H	H



(16)	α OAc	β OAc	H	H	OMe
(17)	β OH	β OH	H	H	OMe
(29)	β OH	β OH	H	OH	H
(30)	β OH	β OH	H	OH	OMe
(44)	α OH	β OH	H	H	OMe
(45)	β OH	β OH	H	H	H
(49)	H	H	OH	H	H
(54)	β OH	β OH	H	H	OMe
(55)	β OH	β OAc	H	H	H
(67)	OH	H	OH	H	OMe



	R ₁	R ₂		R ₁	R ₂	R ₃
(8)	Ac	H	(12)	αO-ph-(CH ₂) ₂ -NH ₂	OH	H
(32)	Me	H	(18)	αOH	OH	H
(33)	Me	αOH	(53)	αOMe	H	H
(34)	Me	βOH	(56)	αOH	H	H
(35)	Me	βOMe	(59)	βOMe	OH	H
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			(64)	βOH	OH	H
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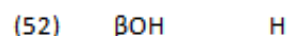
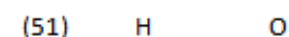
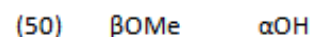
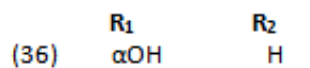
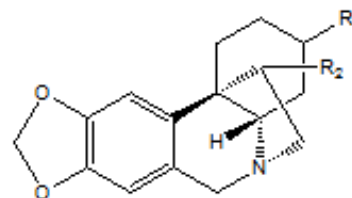
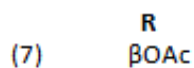
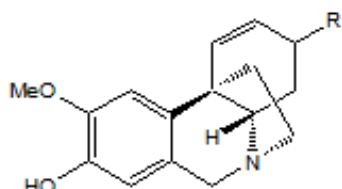
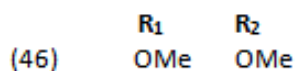
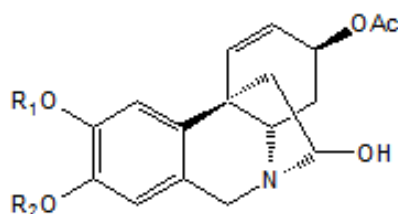


FIGURE 2: CRININE-TYPE ALKALOIDS ISOLATED FROM DIFFERENT *CRINUM* SPECIES

CONCLUSION: This current part of our review work highlights crinine-type alkaloids isolated to date from the genus *Crinum* in addition to their structural differences and distribution in different species. As an endless source of bioactive principles, the extensive survey of literature presents crinine-type alkaloids as the major class within the isolated *Crinum* chemical constituents and about 81 bases belonging to this alkaloidal type were isolated and identified. Moreover, the unstudied species are still calling for phytochemical investigations that will add new members of these important bases.

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