

A CONTRIBUTION TO THE ARTEMISIA SIEBERI (ASTERACEAE) BASED ON PHYTOCHEMICAL STUDIES IN IRAN

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Artemisia sieberi Besser is distributed in vast steppes of Iran. There are different opinions about the correct name of Iranian steppic *Artemisia*. Some authors believe that the Iranian specimens are *A. sieberi* and the others *A. herba-alba*. Phytochemical studies of 34 populations of the species in Iran, *A. herba-alba* specimens of Spain and *A. sieberi* specimen of Palestine confirmed that the name of *A. sieberi* is correct.

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Artemisia sieberi Besser بر پایه مطالعات فیزیکی در ایران

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گونه *Artemisia sieberi* Besser در مناطق وسیعی از استپهای ایران گسترش دارد. تاکنون نظریات مختلفی در مورد نام *Artemisia* استپهای ایران بیان شده است. برخی از محققین عقیده دارند که نمونه‌های موجود در ایران *A. sieberi* می‌باشند و برخی نیز بر این باورند که این نمونه‌ها *A. herba-alba* هستند. مطالعات فیتوشیمیایی ۳۴ جمعیت این گونه از ایران و نمونه‌های *Artemisia herba-alba* از اسپانیا و *A. sieberi* از فلسطین تایید نمود که نام *A. sieberi* صحیح می‌باشد.

Introduction

Artemisia L. (Asteraceae), as broadly conceived by Linnaeus, is the largest genus in tribe Anthemideae (Heywood & Humphries 1977, Bremer & Humphries 1993, Oberpreiler & al. 2003) and one of the largest in the family (Bremer 1994). It is widespread in mid to high latitudes, and shrubby species dominate most cold and many warm deserts in the Northern Hemisphere (Watson & al. 2002).

There are 64 species of *Artemisia* in Flora Iranica area, of these 31 species are in Iran (Podlech 1986). *Artemisia sieberi* is one of the most distributed species in Iran. There are different opinions about the correct name of Iranian steppic *Artemisia*. Boissier (1875) introduced *Artemisia herba-alba* Asso in Flora Orientalis for the Irano-Turanian region steppes of Iran. He mentioned that it's distributed in Egypt, Turkey,

Palestine, Syria, Qanary Islands, North of Africa, Afghanistan and Iran. Also, He believed that it has 3 varieties in Iran: *A. herba-alba* Asso var. *densiflora* Boiss., *A. herba-alba* Asso var. *laxiflora* Boiss. and *A. herba-alba* Asso var. *tenuiflora* Boiss.

Parsa (1943) in Flore de l'Iran confirmed Boissier's opinion about *A. herba-alba* and its three varieties. Poljakov (1961) in Flora of the USSR introduced *Artemisia sieberi* Besser for Irano-Turanian steppes of Russia. He synonymized *A. herba-alba* Asso var. *laxiflora* Boiss. and *A. herba-alba* Asso subsp. *saxicola* Krasch. with it.

Cullen (1975) in Flora of Turkey named *Artemisia* species in Irano-Turanian steppes of Turkey, *A. herba-alba* Asso. Its distribution was Spain, South of France, North of Africa, Egypt, Arabia, Syria, West and Central Iran. Podlech (1986) in Flora Iranica changed the name

of *Artemisia herba-alba* Asso that introduced by Boissier for Irano-Turanian steppes of Iran. He named it, *A. sieberi* Besser. Although, species synonymized with *A. sieberi* by Podlech was *A. herba-alba* non Asso. He introduced two subspecies for *A. sieberi*. *A. sieberi* Besser subsp. *sieberi* and *A. sieberi* Besser subsp. *deserticola* Podl. Podlech believed that *A. sieberi* Besser subsp. *deserticola* is endemic of Afghanistan, but *A. sieberi* Besser subsp. *sieberi* has vast distribution in Palestine, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Central Asia and Iran. He synonymized *A. herba-alba* Asso var. *laxiflora* Boiss. with *A. sieberi* subsp. *sieberi* and *A. herba-alba* Asso var. *densiflora* Boiss. with *A. olivierana* J. Gay ex DC. But, it did not determined situation of *A. herba-alba* Asso var. *tenuiflora* Boiss.

A lot of volatile molecules exist in essential oils and cause pleasant perfume in plants. Vast presence of monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes in *Asteraceae* are used as taxonomic markers for this family and especially *Artemisia* genus. Kelsey and Shafizadeh (1979) classified some *Artemisia* species by sesquiterpene lactones. They tried to solve or minimize taxonomic problems of *Artemisia* genus. Marco & al. (1993) reported main components of essential oils of *Artemisia sieberi* from Kouhdashte area in Tehran province, included: Camphor (44%), 1, 8-Cineole (19%), Camphene (5%) Terpinene-4-ol (2.5%) and Dehydro-1, 8-sesquiceneole (1.5%). Weyerstahl & al. (1993) introduced four main chemical components of *A. sieberi* in Iran: Camphor, 1, 8-Cineole, Camphene, Terpinene-4-ol and -Terpineole. Also, Azarnivand (2003) studied chemical components of *A. sieberi* in Tehran, Garmsar and Semnan. He reported Camphor, 1, 8-Cineole, Camphene and -pinene as the main components.

In this research, we compare *Artemisia sieberi* of 34 localities in Iran with *A. herba-alba* of Spain and *A. sieberi* of Palestine from chemical viewpoint, in order to confirm correct opinion about *Artemisia* in Iranian steppes.

Material and Methods

We studied the essential oils of *Artemisia sieberi* Besser from 34 localities (populations) in Iran (table 1). At first, localities of *A. sieberi* in Iran were determined according to Flora Iranica (Podlech 1986). Then by using climatical map that prepared by Khalili & al. (1964-1984) based on corrected De Martonne method, we selected at least 3 localities in per climate condition. Also, we received specimens of *Artemisia herba-alba* from Spain and *Artemisia sieberi* from Palestine. They were analyzed by extraction and determination of essential oils, too.

The essential oils of all plant specimens were isolated by hydro-distillation in Clevenger-type apparatus for 3.5 hours. The oils were dried over anhydrous calcium chloride and stored in sealed vials at low temperature before analysis. Chemical composition of the essential oils were determined by GC and GC/MS. GC analyses were performed using a shimadzu GC-9A gas chromatograph equipped with a DB-1 fused silica column (60 m × 0.25 mm i.d., film thickness 0.25 μm). Oven temperature was held at 40 C for 5 min and then programmed to 280 C at a rate of 4 C / min; for all of oils. Injector and detector (FID) temperature were 290 C; carrier gas, helium with a linear velocity of 32 cm/s. GC-MS analyses were carried out on a Varian 3400 GC-MS system equipped with a DB-1 fused silica column (60 m × 0.25 mm i.d.); Oven temperature was at 40 C to 250 C at a rate of 4 C, transfer line temperature 260 C, carrier gas helium with a linear velocity of 31.5 cm/s, split ratio 1/60, Ionization energy 70 e V; scan time 1 s; mass range 40-300 amu.

The components of oils were identified by comparison of their mass spectra with those of a computer library or with authentic compounds and confirmed by comparison of their retention indices either with those of authentic compounds or with data published in the literature (Shibamoto 1987, Davies 1990).

We analyzed the chemical components of essential oils by Minitab software, PCA (Principle Component Analysis) and Cluster Analysis (Ward Method).

Results and Discussion

Amounts of chemical components in studied plant specimens included *A. sieberi* of Iran and Palestine and *A. herba-alba* of Spain are shown in table 2. In PCA method, the first principal component accounts for the largest percent of the total data variation. The second principal component accounts the second largest percent of the total data variation and so on. The goal of principal components is to explain the maximum amount of variance with the fewest number of components. In this PCA analysis, first and second components account 24% and 12% of the total data variation. Also, cumulative proportion of variance explained by the first and second principal components is equal to 36%. In cluster method, Ward linkage and Euclidean Distance are used. Results of PCA and Cluster shown that Iranian *A. sieberi* (nos. 1-34) are gathered near each other (Figs. 1 and 2). They are similar to *A. sieberi* of Palestine (no. 38). They are

Table 1. Habitat characteristics of *Artemisia sieberi* populations in Iran, Spain and Palestine.

| Code | Locality | Altitude (m) | Latitude and Longitude | Average of rainfall (mm) | Annual average of temperature (°C) | Absolute minimum temperature (°C) | Absolute maximum temperature (°C) | Herb. No. (TARI) |
|------|---|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Esfahan, Kashan, Selkhak | 1600 | 34 16 55 N 51 04 31 E | 198.48 | 16.56 | -14 | 39.6 | 85834 |
| 2 | Esfahan, Kashan, Keh village | 2010 | 34 07 48 N 51 04 53 E | 237.16 | 12.55 | -16.5 | 35 | 85825 |
| 3 | Esfahan, 65 km Kashan to Ardestan | 1700 | 33 42 24 N 51 53 31 E | 198.48 | 16.56 | -14 | 39.6 | 85822 |
| 4 | Esfahan, 5 km Agha-Ali Abbas to Siah Kuh | 1020 | 33 44 50 N 52 06 12 E | 110.97 | 19.45 | -16 | 46.5 | 85833 |
| 5 | Esfahan, 5 km Ardestan to Zafarghand | 1350 | 33 19 21 N 52 22 31 E | 115.06 | 19.95 | -10.6 | 44.4 | 85832 |
| 6 | Esfahan, 4 km Zafarghand to Naeen | 1900 | 33 09 47 N 52 30 49 E | 115.06 | 19.95 | -10.6 | 44.4 | 84446 |
| 7 | Esfahan, Kashan, Maranjab | 830 | 34 17 01 N 51 43 04 E | 133.55 | 19.38 | -12.5 | 46 | 84445 |
| 8 | Qom, around of Qom lake | 870 | 35 02 21 N 50 51 56 E | 144.04 | 18.06 | -12.6 | 46 | 85823 |
| 9 | Qom, 60 km Qom to Tehran | 1300 | 35 10 43 N 50 59 24 E | 223.61 | 19.42 | -11 | 43.6 | 84434 |
| 10 | Khorasan, 10 km Fariman to Torbat-e Jam | 1390 | 35 38 59 N 59 56 16 E | 212.14 | 12.78 | -21.5 | 38.5 | 85836 |
| 11 | Khorasan, 130 km Torbat-e Heydarieh to Bejestan | 1160 | 34 34 16 N 58 12 25 E | 159.16 | 17.97 | -14 | 43.3 | 85835 |
| 12 | Yazd, 40 km Aliabad to Marvast | 1900 | 30 57 29 N 54 13 03 E | 88.82 | 18.3 | -10.3 | 42 | 85827 |
| 13 | Yazd, 60 km Taft to Nadushan | 2350 | 31 52 55 N 53 39 04 E | 176.66 | 14.34 | -14 | 37 | 85826 |
| 14 | Yazd, 42 km Yazd to Bafgh | 1370 | 31 44 51 N 54 43 48 E | 59.55 | 19.5 | -12 | 45.4 | 85830 |
| 15 | Yazd, 10 km Bahabad to Bafgh | 1610 | 31 53 20 N 55 54 56 E | 79 | 19.64 | -17 | 45 | 85829 |
| 16 | Yazd, 5 km Robat-e Posht-e Badam to Yazd | 1340 | 32 59 14 N 55 32 34 E | 107.47 | 20.79 | -12.5 | 44.6 | 85828 |

| Code | Locality | Altitude (m) | Latitude and Longitude | Average of rainfall (mm) | Annual average of temperature (°C) | Absolute minimum temperature (°C) | Absolute maximum temperature (°C) | Herb. No. (TARI) |
|------|---|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 17 | Yazd, 13 km Ardakan to Naeen | 1120 | 32 21 37 N 53 52 27 E | 63.76 | 20.21 | -14 | 46 | 85831 |
| 18 | Yazd, 90 km Ardakan to Naeen | 1390 | 32 43 18 N 53 16 29 E | 101.91 | 13.65 | -19.2 | 415 | 84447 |
| 19 | Kerman, 85 km Jiroft to Kerman | 1570 | 29 16 27 N 57 58 20 E | 141.1 | 16.55 | -17.2 | 42 | 84448 |
| 20 | Kerman, 45 km Kerman to Jiroft | 2240 | 29 56 52 N 57 23 51 E | 141.1 | 16.55 | -17.2 | 42 | 84449 |
| 21 | Kerman, 15 km Kerman to Zarand | 1835 | 30 26 49 N 57 00 31 E | 141.1 | 16.55 | -17.2 | 42 | 84450 |
| 22 | Fars, 25 km Abadeh Tashk to Arsanjan | 1680 | 29 47 14 N 53 32 52 E | 350.12 | 18.53 | -13.6 | 43.8 | 84433 |
| 23 | Fars, 100 km Sirjan to Neyriz | 1660 | 29 10 39 N 54 50 59 E | 185.43 | 18.84 | -7 | 42.5 | 84432 |
| 24 | Fars, 6 km Harabarjan to Tutak | 1650 | 30 19 23 N 54 08 46 E | 162.7 | 16.29 | -17.8 | 40.4 | 84435 |
| 25 | Markazi, Anjilavand Saveh | 1000 | 34 59 08 N 50 35 11 E | 223.61 | 19.42 | -11 | 43.6 | 84436 |
| 26 | Markazi, Gheshlagh-e Nemati, Ghate 4 Zarand Saveh | 1390 | 35 27 33 N 50 39 58 E | 223.61 | 19.42 | -11 | 43.6 | 84437 |
| 27 | Tehran, Kavir National Park | 1050 | 34 45 55 N 52 10 32 E | 126.39 | 18.61 | -11 | 47 | 84444 |
| 28 | Semnan, 55 km Semnan to Damghan | 1550 | 35 51 06 N 53 54 06 E | 138.38 | 18 | -9.8 | 43.6 | 84439 |
| 29 | Semnan, 53 km Jaddeh Nezami Semnan to Anjilo | 1400 | 35 26 12 N 53 52 49 E | 138.38 | 18 | -9.8 | 43.6 | 84440 |
| 30 | Semnan, Turan Biosphere Reserve, 4 km Delbar to Ahmadabad | 1050 | 35 58 30 N 56 02 25 E | 126.69 | 16.47 | -15.6 | 42.2 | 84441 |
| 31 | Semnan, 33 km Shahroud to Sabzevar | 1400 | 36 26 30 N 55 17 07 E | 160.55 | 14.56 | -10.8 | 40.8 | 85824 |
| 32 | Semnan, 8 km Semnan to Sorkheh | 1200 | 35 29 32 N 53 15 30 E | 138.38 | 18 | -9.8 | 43.6 | 84442 |

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|------|---|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 33 | Semnan, 5 km Eivanekei to Garmsar | 1050 | 35 19 11 N 52 07 09 E | 126.39 | 18.61 | -11 | 47 | 84443 |
| 34 | Hormozgan, 25 km Hajiabad to Sirjan | 1388 | 28 30 09 N 55 47 53 E | 140.63 | 17.66 | -14 | 42 | 84438 |
| 35 | Spain, NW San Pedro, Castelflorite (Huesca), abandoned fields | 350 | | | | | | |
| 36 | Spain, NW San Pedro, Castelflorite (Huesca), roadside near de village | 280 | | | | | | |
| 37 | Spain, Peaflor (Zaragoza), roadside near de village | 235 | | | | | | |
| 38 | Palestine, Negev desert, Be erotayim | | | 90 | | | | |

clearly different from *A. herba-alba* of Spain (nos. 35, 36 and 37). In the obtained dendrogram (Fig 2.), *A. sieberi* of Palestine (no. 38) placed completely within the populations of Iranian *Artemisia* species (nos. 1-34).

This research confirmed the Podlech opinion about replacement of *A. sieberi* with *A. herba-alba* in Iran steppes.

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Table 2. Chemical components of *Artemisia sieberi* from Iran and Palestine populations and *A. herba-alba* from Spain populations.

| | <i>r</i> - Thujene | <i>r</i> - Pinene | Camphene | Sabinene | <i>s</i> - Pinene | 3 - Octanol | Myrcene | <i>r</i> - Terpinene | P - Cymene | 1, 8 - Cineole |
|----|--------------------|-------------------|----------|----------|-------------------|-------------|---------|----------------------|------------|----------------|
| 1 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.12 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.39 | 5.30 |
| 2 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.73 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.68 | 5.04 |
| 3 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.79 | 5.25 |
| 4 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.61 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 1.24 |
| 5 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 18.52 | 7.04 |
| 6 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.03 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 17.20 | 17.82 |
| 7 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.36 | 1.62 |
| 8 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 10.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.10 | 9.50 |
| 9 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9.64 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.19 | 14.32 |
| 10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.71 | 6.09 |
| 11 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.38 | 4.05 |
| 12 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.86 | 4.46 |
| 13 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.89 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.66 | 8.19 |
| 14 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.14 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.51 | 1.99 |
| 15 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.89 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.88 | 8.55 |
| 16 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.87 | 23.61 |
| 17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.27 | 12.30 |
| 18 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.58 | 10.24 |
| 19 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.43 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.61 | 4.30 |
| 20 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.53 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.19 | 7.04 |
| 21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.96 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.09 | 24.69 |
| 22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.61 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 14.28 | 18.85 |
| 23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.93 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.08 | 13.09 |
| 24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.99 | 18.29 |
| 25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 11.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.89 | 10.74 |
| 26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.61 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.77 | 10.22 |
| 27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.18 | 7.31 |
| 28 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.15 | 7.95 |
| 29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9.39 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.63 | 6.73 |
| 30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.96 | 14.93 |
| 31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9.26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.19 | 26.20 |
| 32 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.70 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.27 | 32.24 |
| 33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.84 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.74 | 2.41 |
| 34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.49 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.42 | 25.17 |
| 35 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.41 | 0.30 | 0.90 | 16.62 |
| 36 | 0.00 | 0.41 | 2.09 | 0.95 | 0.36 | 0.16 | 0.54 | 0.59 | 5.12 | 1.13 |
| 37 | 0.10 | 0.30 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 0.12 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.41 |
| 38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.35 | 0.00 | 0.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.09 | 1.96 | 33.15 |

Table 2 (cont.)

| | (Z) - s- Ocimene | (E) - s- Ocimene | α- Terpinene | Artemisia ketone | Artemisia alcohol | γ- Thujone | s- hujone | pinocarveol | Trans pinocarveol | Caryophyllene oxide |
|----|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.72 | 2.65 | 0.00 | 4.74 | 0.00 |
| 2 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 14.27 | 9.95 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 21.95 | 16.91 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 4 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 66.93 | 14.62 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 5 | 6.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.63 | 2.46 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 6 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.82 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.28 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 7 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 27.67 | 7.08 | 0.00 | 10.63 | 0.00 |
| 8 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.89 | 1.66 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 9 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.66 | 1.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.37 | 38.19 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 11 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 18.77 | 13.13 | 35.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 12 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 41.58 | 15.41 | 0.00 | 8.62 | 0.00 |
| 13 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 13.93 | 0.00 |
| 14 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 17.87 | 5.21 | 0.00 | 2.92 | 0.00 |
| 15 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 17.76 | 7.49 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 16 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.74 | 5.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 32.97 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.21 | 0.00 |
| 18 | 4.65 | 3.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.57 | 26.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 19 | 1.43 | 0.66 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.96 | 1.49 | 0.00 | 17.31 | 0.00 |
| 20 | 17.94 | 0.87 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.06 | 2.98 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.38 | 2.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 22 | 0.00 | 0.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.79 | 22.13 | 0.00 | 1.05 | 0.00 |
| 23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.33 | 7.98 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.21 | 3.56 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.48 | 5.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.63 | 2.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.67 | 4.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 28 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.13 | 0.49 | 0.00 | 38.92 | 0.00 |
| 29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.43 | 1.05 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 30 | 0.00 | 0.45 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.75 | 1.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.31 | 6.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 32 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.86 | 33.36 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 13.46 | 12.39 | 40.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.81 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.31 | 44.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 35 | 0.12 | 0.18 | 0.80 | 0.00 | 0.51 | 0.07 | 0.71 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 16.79 |
| 36 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.61 | 1.05 | 0.00 | 43.90 | 12.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.35 |
| 37 | 0.00 | 1.39 | 1.88 | 1.04 | 12.04 | 0.64 | 5.68 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 11.68 | 42.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.12 |

Table 2 (cont.)

| | Camphor | Pinocarvone | Borneol | Terpinen - 4 - ol | Myrtenol | Cuminyl aldehyde | Piperitone | Chrysanthemyl acetate | Bornyl acetate | s - Caryophyllene | Spathulenol |
|----|---------|-------------|---------|-------------------|----------|------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 1 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 44.84 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 2 | 45.44 | 1.15 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 0.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.94 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 3 | 36.68 | 1.27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 4 | 5.81 | 2.16 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.09 | 1.53 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 5 | 6.93 | 4.00 | 0.00 | 29.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.30 | 0.61 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 6 | 27.79 | 0.00 | 1.97 | 5.18 | 3.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.61 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 7 | 1.19 | 2.20 | 16.38 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.39 | 1.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 8 | 58.97 | 4.03 | 0.56 | 0.55 | 1.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 9 | 60.60 | 0.48 | 0.72 | 0.64 | 1.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 10 | 17.34 | 4.28 | 0.00 | 0.69 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 11 | 5.34 | 2.10 | 0.00 | 0.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 12 | 1.52 | 1.03 | 0.00 | 7.96 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.29 | 1.51 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 13 | 0.00 | 13.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.87 | 1.07 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 14 | 2.53 | 2.37 | 0.00 | 29.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.43 | 5.30 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 15 | 41.23 | 4.47 | 0.00 | 4.29 | 0.93 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.02 | 1.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 16 | 38.57 | 4.31 | 1.58 | 2.36 | 0.56 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.54 | 0.46 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

| | Camphor | Pinocarvone | Borneol | Terpinen - 4 - ol | Myrtenol | Cuminyl aldehyde | Piperitone | Chrysanthemyl acetate | Bornyl acetate | 5 - Caryophyllene | Spathulenol |
|----|---------|-------------|---------|-------------------|----------|------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 17 | 6.32 | 12.33 | 0.00 | 4.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.58 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 18 | 21.32 | 7.53 | 0.00 | 2.85 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.04 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 19 | 0.00 | 1.90 | 0.00 | 14.49 | 1.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7.11 | 2.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 20 | 21.56 | 6.56 | 0.00 | 8.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.68 | 1.69 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 21 | 52.59 | 1.74 | 0.00 | 0.76 | 1.16 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.70 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 22 | 8.78 | 1.26 | 0.00 | 1.91 | 1.28 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.61 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 23 | 53.29 | 0.98 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.92 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 24 | 25.46 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 24.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.92 | 1.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 25 | 57.22 | 3.05 | 0.00 | 0.66 | 1.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 26 | 42.69 | 3.05 | 0.00 | 1.58 | 1.57 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 27 | 51.30 | 2.55 | 0.00 | 0.95 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.66 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 28 | 3.62 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 1.20 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 29 | 59.72 | 2.36 | 0.00 | 0.95 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 30 | 53.92 | 2.63 | 1.81 | 1.13 | 1.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 31 | 42.75 | 1.85 | 0.00 | 0.48 | 0.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 32 | 0.00 | 3.67 | 0.00 | 1.96 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.46 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 33 | 0.00 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 1.98 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 34 | 0.00 | 3.14 | 0.00 | 1.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 35 | 1.45 | 1.82 | 31.27 | 0.21 | 0.11 | 2.79 | 0.17 | 0.36 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.86 |
| 36 | 16.94 | 0.29 | 4.93 | 0.15 | 0.62 | 1.05 | 0.31 | 0.44 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.18 |
| 37 | 0.00 | 0.72 | 0.27 | 7.82 | 0.00 | 0.19 | 0.06 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 38 | 1.14 | 0.24 | 0.68 | 0.37 | 0.51 | 0.06 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.11 | 0.40 | 0.00 |

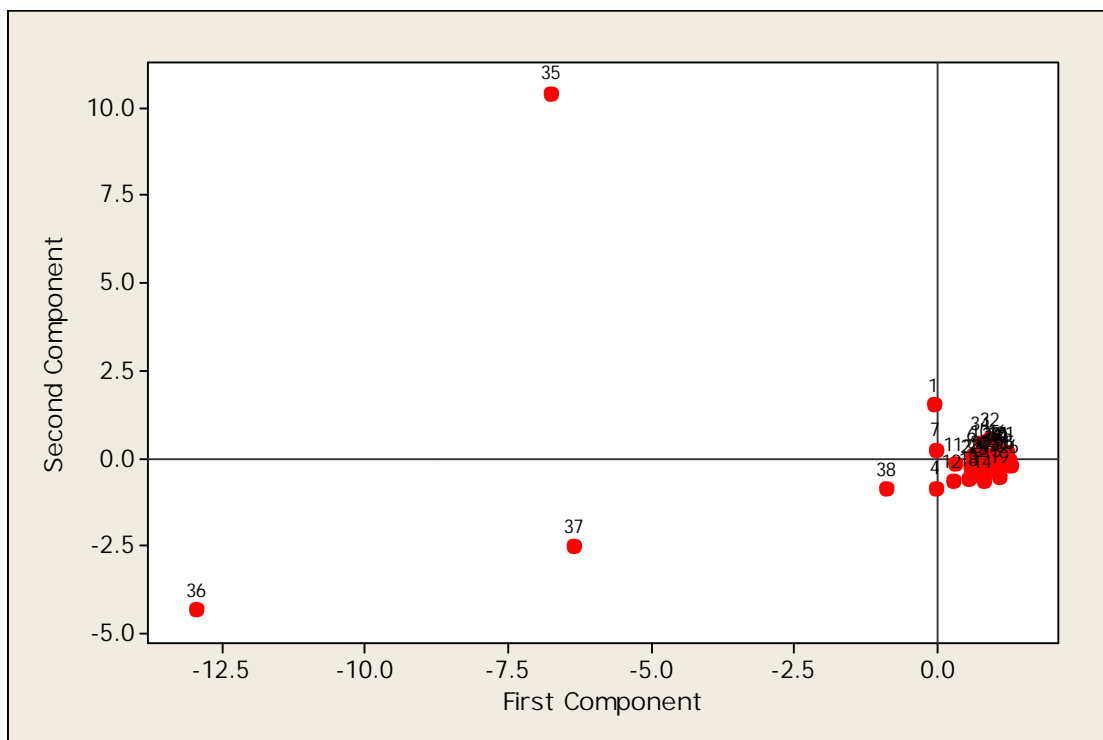


Fig. 1. Comparison between *Artemisia sieberi* of Iran and Palestine, and *A. herba-alba* of Spain with PCA method.

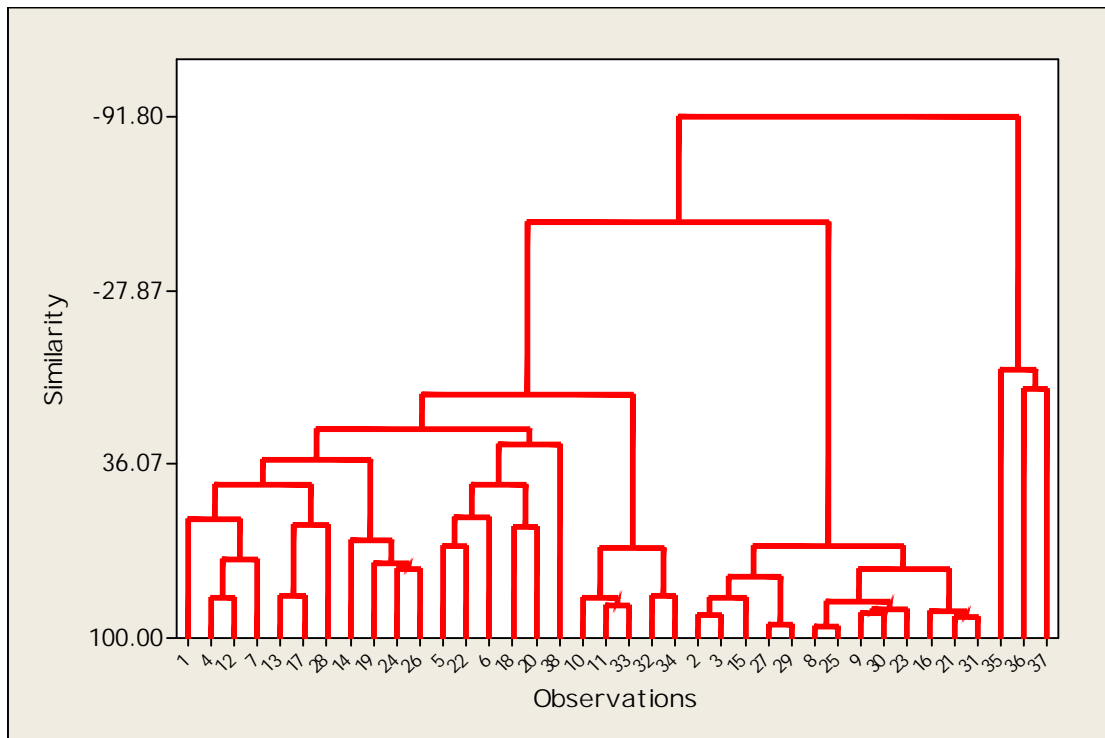


Fig. 2. Comparison between *Artemisia sieberi* of Iran and Palestine, and *A. herba-alba* of Spain with Cluster method.