

Evaluation of anti-inflammatory activities of a triterpene

β -elemonic acid in Frankincense *in vivo* and *in vitro*

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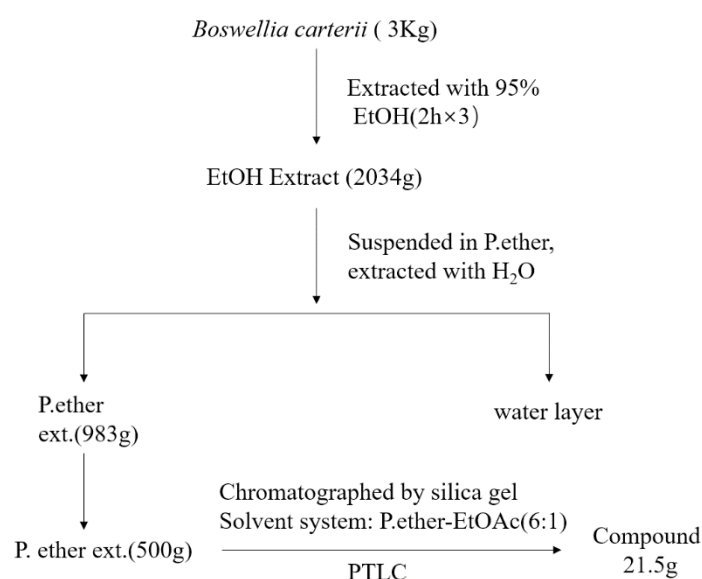


Figure S1. Isolation of the compound from frankincense.