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ABSTRACT

Ethnopharmacological relevance: The leaves of *Allophylus edulis* (A. St.-Hil., A. Juss. & Cambess.) Radlk. (Sapindaceae) are traditionally used as a natural anti-inflammatory agent; however, there are no scientific studies demonstrating its activity essential oil. The content of essential oil in *A. edulis* may be the chemical basis to explain its ethnobotanical uses, since infusions of this plant are used to treat inflammation in the traditional medicine in Brazil.

Aim of the study: This study evaluated the anti-inflammatory, antioxidant and anti-mycobacterial activities of the essential oil (EOAE) and viridiflorol, its main compound.

Material and methods: Essential oil from fresh leaves of *A. edulis* (EOAE) was obtained by hydrodistillation in a Clevenger-type apparatus. Forty-one compounds, accounting