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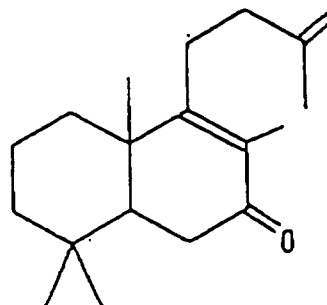
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(54) **Treated labdanum oil, process for preparing the same, novel ketone compound, and perfume composition containing the same.**

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(57) A process of preparing a treated labdanum oil is disclosed, which comprises: (a) a step of mixing a labdanum raw material with an aqueous alkali solution and separating the aqueous layer; (b) a step of adding an acidic substance to the aqueous layer separated in step (a) and separating the thus released acidic components of labdanum; and (c) a step of heating the acidic components obtained in step (b) at a temperature of from 200 to 350 °C for a period of from 0.1 to 10 hours. A treated labdanum oil prepared in this process and a perfume composition containing the same are also disclosed. A novel ketone compound of formula (I):



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and a perfume composition containing the ketone

compound are further disclosed.



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