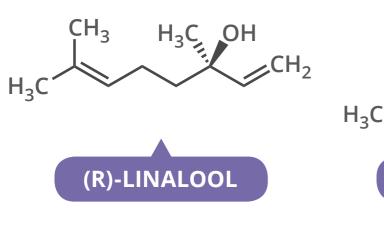
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LAVENDER AROMA COMPOUNDS



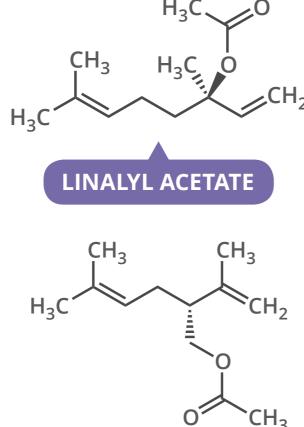
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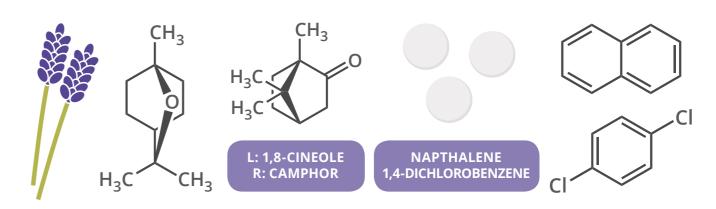
(R)-LAVANDULOL

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LAVANDULYL ACETATE

LAVENDER AND MOTHS



The primary compounds that contribute to the scent of lavender are linalool and linalyl acetate. Linalool is often used as a fragrance in consumer products. Other compounds that contribute include lavendulol and lavandulyl acetate, as well as a selection of other terpenoid compounds.

People often put bags of dried lavender with stored clothes to repel moths. 1,8-cineole and camphor, both present in lavender, have insecticidal and repellent activities. Mothballs can also be used to repel moths, and usually contain either naphthalene or 1,4-dichlorobenzene, but there are some health concerns regarding their use.



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