

Table 1. Volume of the abdominal gland reservoir in *Pachycondyla sennaarensis* workers and composition of its chemical components based on GC-MS analyses (n = 7)*

Component number ¹	Compound	Proportion (%; mean \pm SD)
1	2,5-piperazinedione	0.9 \pm 0.3
2	Trimethyl pyrazine	1.1 \pm 0.2
3	Undecane	4.6 \pm 0.85
4	Phenol-2,4-bis (1,1 dimethylethyl) ²	0.1 \pm 0.1
5	2,6,10-trimethylundecan-2,9-dien-4-one	0.3 \pm 0.07
6	Pentadecane	14 \pm 2.3
7	4,11-dimethyltetradecane	<u>1 \pm 0.6</u>
8	12-methylpentadecane	3.2 \pm 1.9
9	Hexadecene ³	8.3 \pm 4.7
10	Hexadecane	9.1 \pm 2.8
11	2-tridecyl acetate	trace
12	Heptadecane	26 \pm 6.4
13	Pentadecan-2-one	<u>1.2 \pm 0.01</u>
14	Octadecene	3.6 \pm 1.3
15	Octadecane	3.4 \pm 0.7
16	Dodecyl butyrate	trace
17	2-methylhexadecanal	<u>0.1 \pm 0.1</u>
18	Nonadecane	19.6 \pm 7.2
19 ⁴	RT: 20.1 min, M ⁺ 278, m/z 55 (100 ⁵), 82 (74), 96 (60), 69 (57), 41 (55), 83 (54), 81 (52) ⁶	trace
20	Heneicosene	trace
21	Heneicosane	2.7 \pm 2.33
22	2,6,10,14 tetramethyl hexadecane	<u>0.2 \pm 0.1</u>
23	Heptacosane	0.6 \pm 0.3
Volume of abdominal gland reservoir (μ L)		2.7 \pm 0.6

* Average values higher than 5% are written in **bold**; when the value is underlined not all the individuals within the four studied colonies contained the compound in detectable amounts.

¹ Components are arranged according to their elution time.

² Could be only detected in the specimens collected in Abshekan village (27.19N, 60.46E).

³ Present as two isomers in some specimens.

⁴ This secretion consisted of a probable terpene that could not be identified, so its approximate retention time and the principal mass spectral ions are given.

⁵ Recorded intensity.

⁶ Other m/z represented a weak ion.