

The protein content (N X 6.25) of tender leaves of collected Kenyan plants which can be classified as herbs except for *Erythrococca bongensis*, a shrub, was as follows: *Basella alba* 20.5, *E. bongensis* 18.1, *Solanum tuberosum* 31.8, *Capsicum frutescens* 26.2, *Lycopersicum esculentum* 31.8, *Cucurbita pepo* 31.1, *Commelina nudiflora* 15.6, *Vigna schimperii* 18.6, *Triumfetta annua* 24.7, *Bidens pilosa* 25.7 and *Corchorus trilocularis* 25.4%; the last 5 were wild species. Values for plants bought in the market were *Amaranthus lividus* 26.7, *A. hybridus* 27.8, *Gynandropsis gynandra* 35.8, *V. unguiculata* 28.5, *Crotalaria brevidens* 32.5, *Corchorus olitorius* 22.5, *Brassica integrifolia* 28.9 and *S. nigrum* 29.3%. A study with 4 species showed that values depended greatly on plant age.