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Convolvulus scammonia

SCAMMONY is a creeping perennial. Native to south-western Asia and the Mediterranean, it has large, pale sulphur yellow flowers.

It is also known as Levant scammony, *Saqmoon* (Urdu), and Syrian bindweed.

Although the milky juice is extracted commercially from the root, in folk medicine it is also obtained from the leaves.

Medicinally, the milky juice is used as a drastic purgative.