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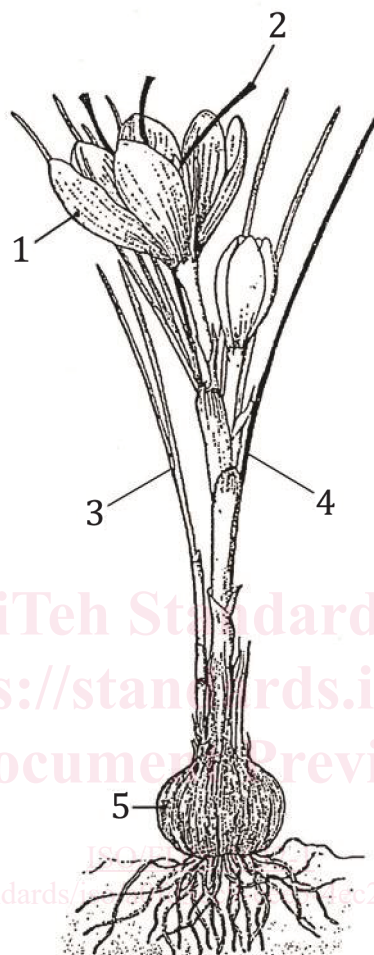
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## Introduction

The saffron plant is depicted in [Figure 1](#), the saffron flower in [Figures 2](#) and [3](#), the saffron pistil in [Figure 4](#), and some examples of floral waste in [Figure 5](#).



### Key

- 1 tepals
- 2 Stigmastigma
- 3 Leavesleaves
- 4 radical leaves
- 5 Cormcorm

**Figure 1 — *Crocus sativus* L. plant**



Figure 2 — *Crocus sativus* L. flowers in farm



Figure 3 — *Crocus sativus* L. saffron flower (longitudinal cut)