

Isolation and Structure of a New Natural Cyclopentenone Derivative
from Potato Culture Solution of Phoma wasabiae Yokogi

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A new natural cyclopentenone derivative has been isolated from the potato culture solution of Phoma wasabiae, and its structure was determined to be (5S^{*})-5-acetyl-3,5-dimethoxy-2-methyl-(4R^{*})-4-[(2R^{*})-2-methylbutanoyl]-2-cyclopenten-1-one by spectroscopic and single crystal X-ray diffraction analyses.

In the previous papers,^{1,2)} we have reported the isolation and the structural elucidation of wasabidienone A (WA) and wasabidienone E (WE) as new natural cyclohexadienone derivatives from the potato culture solution of Phoma wasabiae Yokogi. Phoma wasabiae was incubated on the stationary potato culture solution containing 2% glucose at 25 °C. After 2 weeks of the cultivation, the blackish culture solution was extracted with chloroform and its extract was showed seven yellow bands on silicagel plate (Merck Art 7747) using C₆H₆-CH₃OH (9:1) as the solvent [R_f values: 0.75, 0.68(WA), 0.53, 0.34, 0.19, 0.15, 0.10(WE)]. In this paper, the other pale yellow band [R_f 0.75; wasabienone B₀ (WB₀)] was collected and extracted with ether to give an oily substance. WB₀ was further purified by the use of C₆H₆-CH₃OH (97:3), yield 11.7 mg per 6 dm³ of culture solution.³⁾ WB₀ showed [α]_D -297.8° (c 0.09, CHCl₃), a molecular formula C₁₅H₂₂O₅ [Found: m/z 282.1477 (Calcd: 282.1468) and Anal. C, H], UV λ_{max}^{95%EtOH} nm(log ε): 266(3.70), and IR ν(CCl₄): 1715, 1700, 1630, 1340 cm⁻¹. From the ¹H(270 MHz)- and ¹³C(67.8 MHz)-NMR spectral data of WB₀, the existence of 2-methylbutanoyl group [δ_H (CDCl₃): 0.95(3H, t, J=7.3 Hz), 1.05(3H, d, J=6.9 Hz), 1.25-1.45, 1.60-1.85, 2.50-2.57(each 1H, m); δ_C: 11.4, 13.8(each q), 25.6(t), 48.2(d), 195.5(s)] was the same as that of WB₁ (R_f 0.53, 1) and WB₂ (R_f 0.34, 2), respectively.⁴⁾ Further structural characteristics of WB₀ deduced from the NMR spectra were the presence of one olefinic- and one acetyl-methyl group, two methoxyl groups, and one methine proton [δ_H: 1.76(3H, d, J=1.5 Hz), 2.41, 3.32, 3.96(each 3H, s), 4.75(1H, q, J=1.5 Hz); δ_C: 6.9, 25.9, 55.3, 58.2(each q), 55.6(d)]. The former methyl group showed a long-range coupling (J=1.5 Hz) with the methine proton. Moreover, we found one quaternary carbon, two tetrasubstituted double bond carbons, and two carbonyl carbons [δ_C: 91.9, 116.3, 182.8, 205.2, 208.6(each s)]. Considering the

connections of partial groups mentioned above and the number of unsaturation (five units) from the molecular formula, WB_0 must be a monocyclic ketone derivative. Treatment of $WB_1(1)$ in benzene under reflux for 20 h afforded WB_0 in 33% yield.³⁾ Also, WB_0 gave a monohydrazone [3, mp 165–167°C (benzene-hexane), $C_{21}H_{26}N_4O_8$] with 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine. In order to clarify the whole structure of WB_0 , an X-ray crystallographic analysis was carried out using a single crystal of 3. It belonged to the orthorhombic $P2_12_12_1$, $Z=4$, $a=23.217(7)$, $b=10.687(3)$, $c=9.348(2)$ Å, $V=2319(1)$ Å³, $D_m=1.316(7)$, and $D_x=1.321$ Mg m⁻³. Intensity data of independent 2160 reflections were collected on Rigaku AFC-5 diffractometer with Cu-K α X-ray tube, using ω -2 θ scanning technique. The structure was solved by MULTAN78⁵⁾ and refined by block diagonal least-squares method to an R value of 0.067 ($wR=0.088$) by 1598 reflections [$F_o > 3\sigma(F_o)$].⁶⁾ 17 out of 26 hydrogen atoms were found in the difference Fourier map, and they were included in the least-squares refinement with isotropic temperature factors. Both two nitro groups and N_2 are nearly in a plane of benzene ring. The cyclopentene ring atoms are also nearly planar with maximum deviation of 0.06 Å. The ORTEP⁷⁾ view of 3 is shown in Fig. 1. Based on the stereochemistry of the 2-methylbutanoyl group of $WA^1)$, the structure of WB_0 has been determined to be (5S^{*})-5-acetyl-3,5-dimethoxy-2-methyl-(4R^{*})-4-[(2R^{*})-2-methylbutanoyl]-2-cyclopenten-1-one (4). Biological activity of this metabolite is now under investigation.

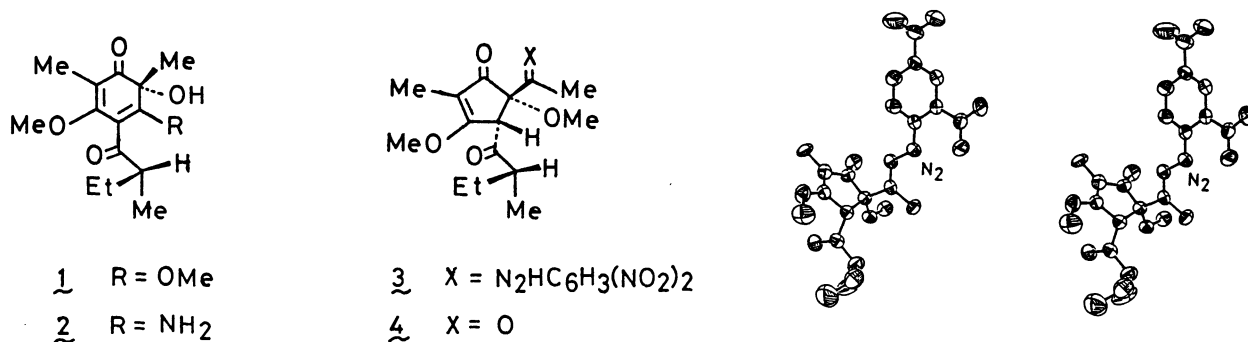


Fig. 1.

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