New Iridoid Glycosides from Lamium eriocephalum subsp. eriocephalum

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Two new iridoid glycosides, eriobioside (1) and lamerioside (2), were isolated from the aerial parts of *Lamium eriocephalum* subsp. *eriocephalum*, along with the two known compounds lamiide (3) and ipolamiide (4). Their structures were elucidated by spectroscopic methods (UV, 1D- and 2D-NMR) and by mass spectrometry (HR-ESI-MS).

Introduction. – The genus *Lamium* (Lamiaceae) is represented by 27 species in the flora of Turkey [1]. *Lamium album* and *L. maculatum* have been used in Anatolian folk medicine as tonics [2]. As a part of our ongoing phytochemical studies on the secondary metabolites of Turkish *Lamium* species [3], we have studied the iridoid glycosides of *L. eriocephalum* Bentham subsp. *eriocephalum*. Herein, we report two new iridoid glycosides, eriobioside (1) and lamerioside (2), from the title plant, together with two known iridoid glucosides, lamiide (3) and ipolamiide (4).

Glc = β -D-Glucopyranosyl

Results and Discussion. – The H_2O -soluble part of the crude MeOH extract of the aerial parts of L. *eriocephalum* was subjected to medium-pressure liquid chromatography (MPLC) on a C_{18} column, eluting with a $H_2O/MeOH$ gradient to yield five main fractions. Further column-chromatographic separations on silica gel finally afforded the iridoid glycosides 1-4.

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Compound 1 was obtained as an optically active, amorphous powder. ESI-MS showed the $[M+Na]^+$ peak at m/z 591, corresponding to the molecular formula C₂₃H₃₆O₁₆. The UV spectrum showed an absorption maximum at 229 nm, indicating an α,β -unsaturated C=O moiety. Analysis of the ¹³C-NMR (DEPT) spectrum of 1(Table 1) revealed the presence of 23 carbon signals, twelve of which were assigned to two hexose units. The remaining 11 resonances, along with the corresponding ¹H-NMR signals, were indicative of a C₁₀ iridoid skeleton bearing a MeOOC group at C(4). The ¹H-NMR spectrum of 1 (*Table 1*) exhibited signals due to an enol ether conjugated to a MeOOC group (δ (H) 7.43 (s, H–C(3)); 3.73 (s, MeOOC)), two CH₂ groups $(\delta(H) 2.26 (ddd, J=13.5, 8.2, 5.1 Hz, H_a-C(6)); 2.09 (ddd, J=14.3, 9.5, 7.9 Hz, H_a-C(6)); 2.00 (ddd, J=14.3$ C(6)); 1.97 (dd, J=12.2, 8.6 Hz, $H_a-C(7)$); 1.56 (ddd, J=12.2, 6.9, 5.2 Hz, $H_{\beta}-C(7)$); C(7))), and a Me group at $\delta(H)$ 1.15 (s, Me(10)). The resonances at $\delta(H)$ 4.61 (d, J=7.9 Hz, H-C(1')) and 4.42 (d, J=7.8 Hz, H-C(1")) were attributed to the two anomeric H-atoms of the hexose units. The corresponding ¹³C-NMR resonances were observed at $\delta(C)$ 99.7 and 105.1, respectively. The chemical shifts and coupling constants of the sugar signals indicated the presence of two β -glucopyranosyl (Glc) moiet-

The complete assignments of the remaining signals of **1** were made by 2D-NMR experiments (1 H, 1 H-COSY, 1 H, 13 C-HMQC, HMBC) as well as by NOESY analysis. The 1 H-NMR signal at δ (H) 7.43 (s), assigned to H–C(3), showed that C(4) and C(5) were fully substituted. The assigned NMR data of **1** were almost identical to those of ipolamiide (**4**) [4], except for the presence of additional signals arising from a second Glc unit. The resonance for C(6') at δ (C) 69.9 was considerably shifted downfield ($\Delta\delta$ =7 ppm), and C(5') was slightly shifted upfield (1 ppm) relative to the corresponding signals of ipolamiide (*Table 1*). Therefore, the second Glc unit was attached to the O-atom at C(6'). This was verified by an HMBC cross-peak between CH₂(6') and C(1''). Thus, the disaccharide moiety was identified as a 6'-O- β -glucopyranosyl- β -glucopyranosyl (=gentiobiosyl) unit. From these data, the structure of compound **1** was established as ipolamiide 6'-O- β -glucopyranoside, and named *eriobioside*²).

Compound **2** was obtained as an optically active, amorphous powder. The molecular formula $C_{17}H_{26}O_{12}$ was determined by LC/HR-ESI-MS, showing the $[M+HCOO]^-$ peak at m/z 467, in good agreement with 17 observed resonances in the ^{13}C -NMR spectrum (*Table 2*). The UV spectrum exhibited a maximum at 229 nm, suggesting a conjugated enol ether.

The ¹H-NMR spectrum of **2** (*Table* 2) displayed characteristic signals for a C_{10} iridoid, bearing an MeOOC group at C(4) (δ (H) 7.43 (s, H–C(3); 3.75 (s, MeOOC)), a CH₂ group (δ (H) 2.54 (dd, J=14.8, 8.2 Hz, H_{α}–C(6)); 1.81 (dd, J=14.7, 11.2 Hz, H_{β}–C(6))), an oxymethine (δ (H) 4.18 (dd, J=11.1, 8.2 Hz, H–C(7))), and a Me group (δ (H) 1.03 (s, Me(10))). The anomeric sugar resonance at δ (H) 4.61 (d, J=7.9 Hz) and the signals at δ (H) 3.19–3.90, together with the corresponding ¹³C-NMR resonances, indicated the presence of a β -Glc unit. Also, the ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR data of **2** were very similar to those of lamiide (**3**) [5] (*Table* 2). However, both the chemical shifts and coupling constants of CH₂(6) and H–C(7) of **2** suggested that the 7-OH

²⁾ For systematic names, see Exper. Part.

Table 1. ${}^{I}H$ - and ${}^{I3}C$ -NMR Data of **1** and **4**, and HMBC Correlations for **1**. In CD₃OD; δ in ppm, J in Hz. Asterisks (*) mark overlapping signals. Arbitrary atom numbering.

Atom	1ª)			4 [4] ^b)	
	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$	HMBC (H \rightarrow C)	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$
H-C(1)	5.80 (s)	94.5	C(1'), C(3), C(5), C(8)	5.81 (s)	94.1
H-C(3)	7.43 (s)	152.7	C(1), C(4), C(5), C(11)	7.44(s)	152.6
C(4)		115.3			115.1
C(5)		71.7			71.6
$CH_{2}(6)$	2.26 (ddd, J = 13.5, 8.2, 5.2),	38.9	C(5), C(7), C(8)	2.26 (m),	38.8
	2.09 (ddd, J=14.3, 9.5, 7.9)			1.92 (m)	
H-C(7)	1.97 (dd, J=12.2, 8.6),	40.5	C(5), C(6), C(8)	2.10 (m),	40.3
	1.56 (ddd, J=12.2, 6.9, 5.2)			1.59(m)	
C(8)		79.0			78.9
H-C(9)	2.50(s)	61.8	C(1), C(4), C(5), C(8), C(10)	2.48 (s)	61.6
Me(10)	1.15 (s)	23.4	C(7), C(8), C(9)	1.15(s)	23.2
C(11)		168.1			168.0
MeO	3.73 (s)	51.7	C(11)	3.73(s)	51.7
H-C(1')	4.61 (d, J=7.9)	99.7	C(1)	4.58 (d, J=7.9)	99.5
H-C(2')	3.19 (t, J = 8.0)	74.4	C(1')	3.20 (dd, J=7.9, 9.5)	74.3
H-C(3')	3.38*	77.9		3.46 (t, J=9.2)	77.3
H-C(4')	3.31*	71.8		3.42 (t, J=9.0)	71.4
H-C(5')	3.51*	77.4		3.50(m)	78.3
$CH_2(6')$	4.20 (dd, J=11.8, 1.8),	69.9	C(1")	3.90 (dd, J = 12.0, 1.8),	62.8
	3.80 (dd, J=11.8, 6.2)			3.71 (dd, J = 12.0, 5.8)	
H-C(1")	4.42 (d, J=7.8)	105.1	C(6')		
H-C(2")	3.21 (t, J = 8.0)	74.4	C(1")		
H-C(3")	3.36*	77.5			
H-C(4")	3.31*	71.9			
H-C(5")	3.28*	78.0			
CH ₂ (6")	3.88 (d, J=11.8),	62.8			
	3.67 (dd, J=11.8, 4.1)				

^{a)} At 400 and 100 MHz, resp. ^{b)} At 500 and 125 MHz, resp.

group was α -oriented in **2**, as in daunoside [6]. To corroborate the relative configuration of the 7-OH function, a 2D-NOESY experiment was performed. Correlations between $H_{\beta}-C(6)/H-C(7)$ and H-C(7)/H-C(9) established the β -orientation of $H_{\beta}-C(6)$, H-C(7), and H-C(9). Therefore, the 7-OH group had, indeed, to be in α -position. From these data, the structure of compound **2** was identified as 7-epilamiide, and named lamerioside.

The two known iridoid glucosides, lamiide (3) [5] and ipolamiide (4) [4], were identified by comparing their 1D- and 2D-NMR spectra as well as their ESI-MS data with those published in the literature.

Iridoid monoglucosides with MeOOC or Me groups in 4-position are considered as chemotaxonomic markers for *Lamium* species [6–9]. Eriobioside (1), with a gentiobiosyl moiety, is the first iridoid diglycoside isolated from this genus. Also, 7-epiiridoids show a very restricted distribution in the plant kingdom [6] [7], lamerioside (2) being the first such representative within the genus *Lamium*.

Table 2. ^{1}H - and ^{13}C -NMR Data of **2** and **3**, and HMBC Correlations for **2**. In CD₃OD; δ in ppm, J in Hz. Arbitrary atom numbering.

	2 ^a)			3 [5] ^b)	
	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$	$HMBC (H \rightarrow C)$	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$
H-C(1)	5.83 (s)	93.5	C(3), C(5), C(1')	5.82 (s)	94.6
H-C(3)	7.43 (s)	152.1	C(1), C(4), C(5), C(11)	7.43(s)	152.5
C(4)		116.0			115.5
C(5)		66.3			69.3
CH ₂ (6)	2.54 (dd, J=14.8, 8.2),	47.0	C(5), C(7), C(8)	2.36 (dd, J=14.9, 5.2),	46.8
	1.81 $(dd, J=14.8, 11.2)$			2.25 (dd, J=14.9, 3.4)	
H-C(7)	4.18 (dd, J=11.1, 8.2)	78.4	C(8), C(10)	3.52 (dd, J=4.9, 3.4)	77.9
C(8)		79.8			79.2
H-C(9)	2.50(s)	59.0	C(1), C(4), C(10)	2.78(s)	58.2
Me(10)	1.03(s)	15.9	C(7), C(8), C(9)	1.09(s)	21.3
C(11)		168.0			168.1
MeO	3.75(s)	51.7	C(11)	3.73(s)	51.7
H-C(1')	4.61 (d, J=7.9)	99.6	C(1)	4.59 (d, J=7.9)	99.7
H-C(2')	3.19(t, J=9.1)	74.5	C(1')	3.18 (dd, J=9.2, 7.9)	74.5
H-C(3')	3.38 (t, J=8.9)	77.5	,	3.38 (t, J=8.5)	77.5
H-C(4')	3.33(t, J=8.9)	71.8		3.27 (dd, J=9.5, 8.8)	71.7
H-C(5')	3.36 (ddd, J=8.9, 5.8, 2.0)	77.9		3.33 (m)	78.5
CH ₂ (6')	3.90 (dd, J=11.9, 2.0),	62.9		3.89 (dd, J=11.9, 2.1),	62.8
- (/	3.67 (dd, J=11.9, 5.8)			3.67 (dd, J=11.9, 6.0)	

a) At 400 and 100 MHz, resp. b) At 500 and 125 MHz, resp.

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Experimental Part

General. Medium-pressure liquid chromatography (MPLC): Büchi glass column (i.d. 3×24 cm) packed with LiChroprep RP-18 (40–63 μm; Merck), with Büchi-681 chromatography pump. Column chromatography (CC): silica gel 60 (0.063–0.200 mm; Merck). TLC: precoated Kieselgel 60 F_{254} (Merck) aluminum plates, elution with CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O mixtures; visualization by spraying with 1% vanillin in conc. H₂SO₄, followed by heating at 105° for 1–2 min. UV Spectra: M-Quant Biomolecular spectrophotometer; λ_{max} (log ε) in nm. Optical rotations: Rudolph Autopol-IV Automatic polarimeter. NMR Spectra: Bruker Avance-400 spectrometer; at 400 (1 H) and 100 MHz (13 C); δ in ppm rel. to Me₄Si, J in Hz. ESI-MS: Waters ZQ mass spectrometer. LC/HR-ESI-MS: Agilent HP-1100 liquid chromatograph equipped with a BDS-C-18 reverse-phase column coupled to a Micromass TOF mass spectrometer; in m/z.

Plant Material. The aerial parts of Lamium eriocephalum Bentham subsp. eriocephalum were collected from Niğde, Aladağlar, Southeast Anatolia, in June 2002, and identified by Prof. Dr. Hayri Duman (Department of Biology, Faculty of Science, Gazi University, Ankara). A voucher specimen (HUEF 02046) was deposited at the Herbarium of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey.

Extraction and Isolation. The air-dried, powdered aerial parts of L. eriocephalum (100 g) were extracted with MeOH ($4 \times 1.0 \, l$, 5 h each) at 40° , and then filtered. The combined MeOH extracts

were evaporated to dryness under reduced pressure. The crude extract (12 g) was taken up in H_2O (100 ml), and the water-soluble portion was successively extracted with $CH_2Cl_2(4\times100 \text{ ml})$ and BuOH ($4\times100 \text{ ml}$). The remaining aq. phase was evaporated to afford 5.2 g of crude remainder. An aliquot of the aq. extract (2 g) was subjected to RP-MPLC (*LiChroprep RP-18*; MeOH/ H_2O 0 \rightarrow 100% in 25% steps, 250 ml each): five main fractions (*Fr. A–Fr. E*): *Fr. B* afforded **2** (18 mg). *Fr. C* yielded **3** (7 mg). *Fr. D* (200 mg) was subjected to CC (20 g SiO_2 ; AcOEt/MeOH/ H_2O 100:5:2, 100:10:5, and 100:17:13, 300 ml each) to afford **1** (10 mg) and **4** (21 mg).

Eriobioside (= *Methyl* (1S*,4aR*,7S*)-1-[(6-O-β-D-Glucopyranosyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl)oxy]-1,4a,5, 6,7,7a-hexahydro-4a,7-dihydroxy-7-methylcyclopenta[c]pyran-4-carboxylate; 1). Amorphous, colorless powder. [α]_D²⁰ = -70 (c = 0.1, MeOH). UV (MeOH): 229 (3.30). ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: see *Table 1*. ESI-MS: 591 ([M+Na]*). HR-ESI-MS: 591.1923 ([M+Na]*, C₂₃H₃₆NaO $^+$ ₁₆; calc. 591.1901).

Lamerioside (= Methyl (1S*,4aR*,6R*,7R*)-1-(β-D-Glucopyranosyloxy)-1,4a,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-4a,6,7-trihydroxy-7-methylcyclopenta[c]pyran-4-carboxylate; **2**). Amorphous, colorless powder. [a]_D²⁰ = -170 (c=0.1, MeOH). UV (MeOH): 229 (3.50). 1 H- and 13 C-NMR: see *Table* 2. ESI-MS (pos.): 445 ([M+Na] $^{+}$, C₁₇H₂₆NaO $^{+}$ ₁₂). HR-ESI-MS (neg.): 467.1395 ([M+HCOO] $^{-}$, C₁₈H₂₇O $^{-}$ ₁₄; 467.1401).

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