

Macrosphelides C and D, Novel Inhibitors of Cell Adhesion

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In our continuing of a search for novel anti-cell adherence compounds of microbial origin, we have reported fermentation, isolation and biological activities of macrosphelides A and B from the culture broth of *Microsphaeropsis* sp. FO-5050 in a previous paper^{1,2)}. The absolute configuration of macrosphelides A and B were clarified by single crystal X-ray analysis and chemical conversion including a modified MOSHER's method as 3*S*, 8*R*, 9*S*, 14*R*, 15*S* and 3*S*, 8*R*, 9*S*, 15*S*, respectively, further, the total synthesis of macrosphelide A has also been done *via* asymmetric dihydroxylation in eleven steps³⁾.

During the purification of macrosphelides A and B in the cultured broth of FO-5050, we discovered two new 16-membered macrocyclic compounds, macrosphelides C (**1**) and D (**2**) (Fig. 1). This paper describes physico-chemical properties structural determination and biological activities of **1** and **2**.

The fermentation of strain FO-5050 was carried out in the same way as reported previously¹⁾. Compound **1** was purified by silica gel chromatography (CHCl₃-CH₃OH, 50:1 v/v) and HPLC (Senshu Pac Pegasil

ODS; i.d. 2 × 25 cm, detection, UV at 210 nm; flow rate, 7 ml/minute; solv. sys., CH₃CN-H₂O, 4:6 v/v and CH₃OH-H₂O, 4:6 v/v) from the EtOAc extract of culture broth. On the other hand, purification of the EtOAc extract from mycelium by silica gel chromatography (CHCl₃-CH₃OH, 50:1 v/v) and HPLC (solv. sys., CH₃CN-H₂O, 4:6 v/v) gave **2**. Finally, compounds **1** and **2** were obtained in the yield of 1.8 mg and 8.0 mg, respectively, together with macrosphelides A (580 mg) and B (16.1 mg).

Physico-chemical properties of **1** and **2** are summarized in Table 1. Compound **1** was isolated as hygroscopic needles. The molecular formula of **1** was determined as C₁₆H₂₂O₇ by HR-FAB-MS. The IR absorptions at 3462 cm⁻¹ and 1732 cm⁻¹ of **1** showed the presence of hydroxy group and ester functions, respectively. In the ¹H NMR spectrum of **1** (Table 2), the signals at δ 2.36 (dddd, *J* = 13.9, 10.1, 9.5, 1.5 Hz, H-8a) and δ 2.55 (m, H-8b) were newly observed compared with those of macrosphelide A (**3**). In the ¹³C NMR spectrum of **1** (Table 3), methylene carbon signal was also appeared at δ 38.8 (t, C-8) compared with that of **3**. These signals suggest the presence of methylene carbon in the molecule of **1**. In addition, the multiplicity of methine (δ 5.10, m, H-9) and olefinic proton (δ 6.85, ddd, *J* = 15.5, 9.5, 6.5 Hz, H-7) adjacent to the methylene carbon at C-8 position were changed. Thus, compound **1** is assumed to be a 8-deoxy derivative of **3**. The ¹H-¹H COSY of **1** showed the connectivity between C-6 and 9-Me *via* C-8 methylene (data not shown). Final confirmation of the structure of **1** was undertaken using the HMBC (8 Hz) experiment as shown in Fig. 1. These results clearly indicated that the structure of macrosphelide C (**1**) is

Table 1. Physico-chemical data of **1** and **2**.

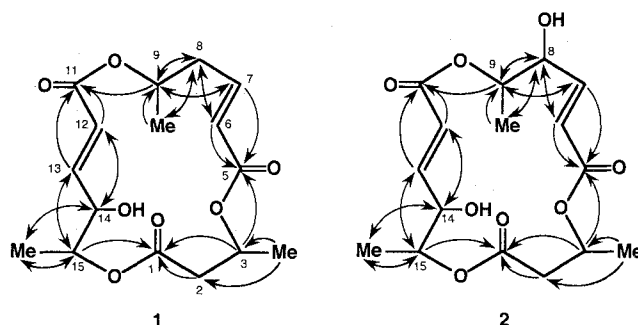
| | 1 | 2 |
|---|--|--|
| Appearance | Hygroscopic needles | Colorless oil |
| MP | 80 ~ 84°C | — |
| [α] _D ²⁰ | +29.5° (c 0.10, MeOH) | +65.3° (c 0.34, MeOH) |
| Molecular weight | 326 | 342 |
| Molecular formula | C ₁₆ H ₂₂ O ₇ | C ₁₆ H ₂₂ O ₈ |
| Pos. FAB-MS (<i>m/z</i>) | 327 (M+H) ⁺ | 343 (M+H) ⁺ |
| HR Pos. FAB-MS (<i>m/z</i>) | Found 327.1451 (C ₁₆ H ₂₃ O ₇) Calcd 327.1443 | Found 365.1237 (C ₁₆ H ₂₂ O ₈ Na) Calcd 365.1212 |
| UV λ _{max} ^{MeOH} nm (log ε) | 207.5 (4.22) | 207 (4.21) |
| IR ν _{max} ^{KBr} cm ⁻¹ | 3462, 2924, 1732, 1701, 1643, 1452, 1384, 1186, 1053 | 3400, 1716, 1660, 1367, 1188, 1055, 985 |
| Color reaction | | |
| Positive | 50% H ₂ SO ₄ + I, iodine | 50% H ₂ SO ₄ + I, iodine |
| Negative | DRAGENDORFF's reagent, EHRLICH's reagent + I, ninhydrin reagent | DRAGENDORFF's reagent, EHRLICH's reagent + I, ninhydrin reagent |

Table 2. ^1H NMR chemical shifts of **1**, **2** and **3** in CDCl_3 .

| H | 1 (<i>M</i> , <i>J</i> value in Hz) | 2 (<i>M</i> , <i>J</i> value in Hz) | 3 ^a (<i>M</i> , <i>J</i> value in Hz) |
|------|---|---|--|
| 2a | 2.63 (1H, dd, 14.5, 3.0) | 2.65 (1H, dd, 13.5, 11.5) | 2.60 (2H, dd, 8.3, 4.3) |
| 2b | 2.51 (1H, dd, 14.5, 8.5) | 2.52 (1H, dd, 13.5, 3.3) | — |
| 3 | 5.30 (1H, m) | 5.35 (1H, m) | 5.38 (1H, m) |
| 6 | 5.80 (1H, ddd, 15.5, 1.5, 1.5) | 5.96 (1H, d, 15.8) | 6.03 (1H, dd, 15.5, 1.8) |
| 7 | 6.85 (1H, ddd, 15.5, 9.5, 6.5) | 6.64 (1H, dd, 15.8, 7.9) | 6.88 (1H, dd, 15.5, 3.3) |
| 8a | 2.36 (1H, dddd, 13.9, 10.1, 9.5, 1.5) | 4.16 (1H, dd, 8.6, 4.0) | 4.25 (1H, br. s) |
| 8b | 2.55 (1H, m) | — | — |
| 9 | 5.10 (1H, m) | 4.76 (1H, dq, 7.9, 6.3) | 4.97 (1H, q, 6.6) |
| 12 | 6.06 (1H, dd, 15.5, 2.0) | 5.96 (1H, d, 15.8) | 6.04 (1H, dd, 15.5, 1.5) |
| 13 | 6.89 (1H, dd, 15.5, 4.8) | 6.59 (1H, dd, 15.8, 8.6) | 6.87 (1H, dd, 15.5, 3.3) |
| 14 | 4.16 (1H, dd, 4.8, 4.8) | 5.05 (1H, dd, 8.6, 4.0) | 4.13 (1H, br. s) |
| 15 | 4.92 (1H, dq, 6.5, 4.8) | 4.06 (1H, dq, 4.0, 6.6) | 4.86 (1H, q, 6.6) |
| 3Me | 1.33 (3H, d, 5.5) | 1.35 (3H, d, 6.3) | 1.33 (3H, d, 6.3) |
| 9Me | 1.38 (3H, d, 5.5) | 1.47 (3H, d, 6.3) | 1.45 (3H, d, 6.6) |
| 15Me | 1.36 (3H, d, 6.3) | 1.22 (3H, d, 6.6) | 1.37 (3H, d, 6.6) |

M: Multiplicity. ^a Macrophelide A (**3**); ref. 2.Table 3. ^{13}C NMR chemical shifts of **1**, **2** and **3** in CDCl_3 .

| C | 1 <i>M</i> ($\Delta 1-3$) | 2 <i>M</i> ($\Delta 2-3$) | 3 ^a <i>M</i> |
|------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 170.0 s —0.2 | 169.7 s —0.5 | 170.2 s |
| 2 | 40.9 t ± 0 | 41.5 t +0.6 | 40.9 t |
| 3 | 67.4 d —0.3 | 69.2 d +1.5 | 67.7 d |
| 5 | 164.8 s +0.1 | 164.4 s —0.3 | 164.7 s |
| 6 | 124.7 d +2.0 | 124.3 d +1.6 | 122.7 d |
| 7 | 143.8 d —1.4 | 145.8 d +0.6 | 145.2 d |
| 8 | 38.8 t —35.9 | 75.9 d +1.2 | 74.7 d |
| 9 | 69.0 d —5.8 | 72.5 d —2.3 | 74.8 d |
| 11 | 165.0 s —0.8 | 164.1 s —1.7 | 165.8 s |
| 12 | 123.0 d +0.8 | 126.9 d +4.7 | 122.2 d |
| 13 | 144.9 d —1.3 | 140.8 d —5.7 | 146.2 d |
| 14 | 72.9 d —0.1 | 77.7 d +4.7 | 73.0 d |
| 15 | 73.7 d —0.2 | 68.1 d —5.8 | 73.9 d |
| 3Me | 19.5 q —0.1 | 20.2 q +0.6 | 19.6 q |
| 9Me | 20.5 q +2.6 | 17.8 q —0.1 | 17.9 q |
| 15Me | 17.5 q —0.3 | 18.3 q +0.5 | 17.8 q |

M: Multiplicity. ^a Macrophelide A (**3**); ref. 2.Fig. 1. Structure of **1** and **2**.Arrows show key ^1H - ^{13}C long range couplings detected by HMBC experiments ($J=4.0$ Hz).

8-deoxymacrophelide A as shown in Fig. 1.

Compound **2** was obtained as colorless oil. The molecular formula ($\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_8$) assigned based on the HR-FAB-MS of **2** gave the same as that of **3**, but **2** did not show similar pattern to that of **3** on ^1H NMR spectra (Table 2). The ^1H - ^1H COSY (data not shown) and HMBC experiment of **2** support that compound **2** possesses the same planar structure of **3** (Fig. 1). The NOE experiments (400 MHz) of **2** did not show any information about the stereochemistry. The proton signals at H-14 (δ 5.05) shifted downfield of 0.92 ppm compared with that of **3**. On the other hand, the proton signals adjacent to the methyl carbon at H-15 (δ 4.06) shifted upfield of 0.8 ppm. In the ^{13}C NMR spectrum of

2 (Table 3), the chemical shifts of carbon signals showed similarly to those of **3**, except for signals of C-12, C-13, C-14 and C-15. In the ^1H NMR spectrum of **2** (Table 2), the coupling constants between δ 5.96 (d, $J=15.8$, H-12) and δ 6.59 (d, $J=15.8$, 8.6 Hz, H-13) showed the same *trans* configuration as that of **3**. Therefore, macrophelide D (**2**) is presumed to be a stereoisomer of macrophelide A (**3**) at C-14 or C-15 positions. The stereochemistry of **1** and **2** are under study using organic synthesis approach.

Biological activities of new macrophelides were examined according to the previous methods¹⁾. Macrophelides were assayed in an adhesion assay system using HL-60 cells and HUVEC cells. The IC_{50} values of **1** and **2** were 67.5 μM and 25.0 μM , respectively. Compounds **1** and **2** had no effect on cell growth against B16 melanoma, HeLa S3 carcinoma, P388 leukemia, L929 fibroblast, Shionogi carcinoma (SC-115), human prostate tumor

(LNCap, PC-3), human leukemia (CEM, THP-1) and calf pulmonary artery endothelial cell (CPAE) at concentration of 307 μM and 292 μM , respectively (data not shown). They also showed no antimicrobial activity at a concentration of 1000 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ (data not shown).

Thus we isolated two new inhibitors of cell adhesion molecule, macrosphelides C (1) and D (2), as derivatives of macrosphelides A and B from the fermentation broth of *Microsphaeropsis* sp. FO-5050. Recently, arthritis⁴⁾ and metastasis⁵⁾ were reported to be associated with adhesion molecules, and anti-adhesion compounds were expected to be effective in the treatment of inflammation and metastasis⁶⁾. Therefore, we are interested in relationships between the structure and the activity of these macrosphelides, and the results will be reported in elsewhere.

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