

FURTHER 5-METHYLCOUMARIN DERIVATIVES FROM *MUTISIA ORBIGNYANA*

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Abstract—The aerial parts of *Mutisia orbignyana* afforded in addition to known compounds 24 new derivatives of 4-hydroxy-5-methylcoumarin. The structures were elucidated by high field NMR techniques and a few chemical transformations. The chemotaxonomic relevance of these compounds is discussed briefly.

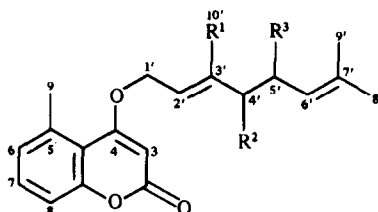
INTRODUCTION

The South American genus *Mutisia* (Compositae, tribe Mutisieae) with about 60 species is distributed in the Andes from Colombia to S. Argentina and Chile but is also present in S.E. Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay and N.E. Argentina. Most species are shrubs but several are vines [1]. The genus is placed in the subtribe Mutisiinae. So far only a few species have been investigated chemically. From three species acetylenic compounds are reported [2–4] while from *M. spinosa* characteristic 4-hydroxy-5-methylcoumarin derivatives were isolated [4]. We have

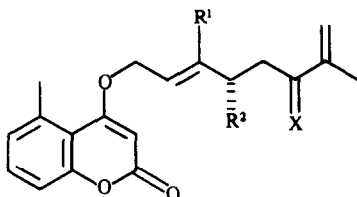
now studied the Bolivian species, *M. orbignyana* Wedd. and the results are discussed in this paper.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

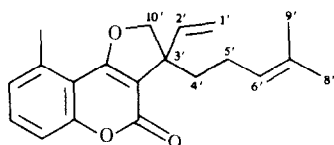
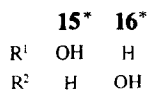
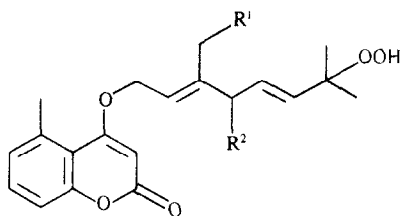
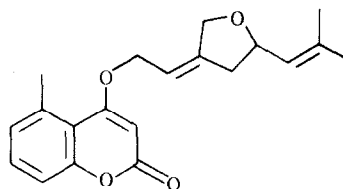
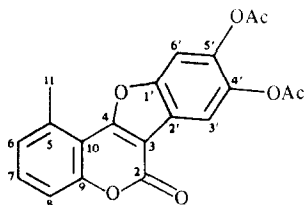
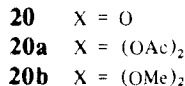
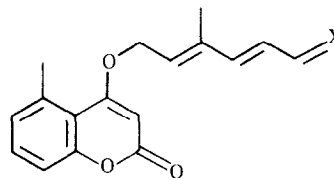
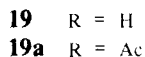
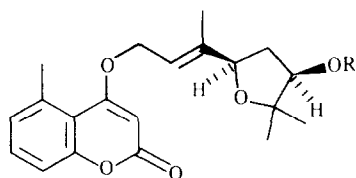
An extract of the aerial parts afforded after very lengthy separations thymol methyl ether and, in addition to arbutin which already has been synthesized by Mannich [5], isorhamnetin, rhamnazin and large amounts of quercetin, 24 derivatives of 4-hydroxy-5-methylcoumarins, the 4-*O*-geranyl derivatives, 1, 2, 2a, 4, 4a, 5, 6



| | 1 | 2* | 3* | 4* | 5* | 6 | 7 | 8* |
|----------------|----|--------------------|--------------------|----|--------------------|-----|-----|--------------------|
| R ¹ | Me | CH ₂ OH | CH ₂ OH | Me | CH ₂ OH | CHO | CHO | CH ₂ OH |
| R ² | H | H | H | OH | OH | H | H | H |
| R ³ | H | H | H | H | H | H | H | OH |
| | | | 2'Z | | | | 2'Z | |



| | 9* | 10* | 11* | 12* | 13 | 14* |
|----------------|--------------------|---------|---------|--------------------|-----|--------------------|
| R ¹ | CH ₂ OH | Me | Me | CH ₂ OH | CHO | CH ₂ OH |
| R ² | H | OH | OH | H | H | H |
| X | αOOH, H | βOOH, H | αOOH, H | =O | =O | OH, H |
| | | | | | 2'Z | |

**17****18****21**

***2a–4a, 9a, 10a, 12a, 15a** and **16a** are the corresponding acetates,
5a, 8a, 10aAc, 11a and **14a** the diacetates

and **8**, the neryl derivatives **3**, **3a** and **7**, the derivatives with rearranged double bonds **9–16**, the oxygen ring compounds **17–19**, the *nor* derivative **20** and the tetracyclic coumarin **21**. Some of these compounds could only be isolated after acetylation of the natural compounds.

The structure of **1** was established as 4-geranyloxy-5-methylcoumarin by its ¹H NMR spectrum (Table 1) and by synthesis [6]. It is an isomer of piloselloidane which was isolated from a *Gerbera* species [7] where the geranyl residue is placed at C-3. The ¹H NMR data of **2** (Table 1) differed from that of **1** by the replacement of one methyl signal by a broadened methylene singlet at δ4.26. As the signals of H-1' and H-2' were slightly shifted down field it must be a 10'-hydroxy derivative.

The ¹H NMR spectrum of **3** (Table 1) was very close to that of **2**. Comparison of the chemical shifts of H-1' and H-2' in the spectra of these compounds clearly indicated the presence of 2'-*E/Z*-isomers. The configuration of the Δ^{2'}-bond in the case of **2** was established by a NOE between H-10' and H-1'.

The ¹H NMR spectra of **2a** and **3a** (Table 1) showed that the corresponding acetates were present. This was established by acetylation of **2** and **3**. The products obtained were identical with the natural compounds.

A further pair of 2'-*E/Z*-isomers were obtained in the form of aldehydes (**6** and **7**). Here the configuration directly followed from the chemical shift of the aldehyde protons which are characteristically different in these

cases. Boranate reduction of **6** afforded the carbinol **2** which also established the proposed configurations of **2** and **3**. The ^1H NMR spectra of **4** and its acetate **4a** (Table 1) indicated the presence of the 4'-hydroxy derivative of **1** and of the corresponding acetate. Accordingly, additional low field triplets at δ 4.11 and 5.16, respectively were visible. Spin decoupling allowed in the case of **4a** the assignment of all signals. The configuration of the $\Delta^{2'}$ -bond followed from the shift of H-2' if the spectra of **1** and **4** were compared.

The molecular formula of **5a** ($\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_7$), which was obtained by acetylation and the ^1H NMR spectrum (Table 1), indicated the presence of a diacetate. A triplet at δ 5.28 and a pair of doublets at δ 4.74 and 4.70 showed that it was probably a 4',10'-diacetoxo derivative of **1**. Spin decoupling established this assumption. Thus the natural product was the diol **5**, the 4'-hydroxy derivative of **2**.

The ^1H NMR spectrum of **8a** (Table 1) which also was obtained by acetylation, differed from that of **5a** by the presence of broadened doublet at δ 5.11 which sharpened on irradiation of both olefinic methyl signals. Thus one of the acetoxy groups was now at C-5. A signal at δ 4.67 required again a 10'-acetoxy group. As the chiral center was no more at the neighbouring carbon a broadened singlet was observed for H-10'.

The ^1H NMR spectrum of the acetate of **9** (Table 2) a singlet at δ 8.07 indicated the presence of a hydroperoxide. From the typical signals for an exomethylene group (δ 5.06 and 5.03) and a broadened methylene singlet at δ 4.68 the position of the oxygen functions could be deduced. The absolute configuration here and in the other compounds were not determined. Similarly, the spectral data of the acetate of **10** (Table 2) indicated the presence of the corresponding 4'-acetoxo derivative. In the spectrum of **10a** acetate (Table 2) two acetoxy singlets were visible and the H-6' signal was shifted down field. In agreement with the molecular formula therefore the peroxiacetate formed by acetylation of **10** was present.

The ^1H NMR spectrum of the acetate of **11** (Table 2) was close to that of **10a** acetate. However, the couplings of H-4' and H-6' differed characteristically. Furthermore only the H-5' signals were separated in the spectrum of **11a**. Inspection of models led to the assumption that in **11a** the oxygen functions at C-4' and C-6' were probably *cis* to each other. In this case the most stable conformation would explain different shielding effects of the protons at C-5'. However, a final proof was not possible.

The ^1H NMR spectrum of **13** (Table 2) differed markedly from those of **9a**–**11a**. A low field singlet at δ 9.47 indicated the presence of an aldehyde while the down field shift of the H-9' signals required a keto group at C-6'. A pair of triplets at δ 2.65 and 2.98 further supported the assumption that there was a keto group at C-6'. The chemical shift of H-10' required a 2'-Z-configured double bond.

The ^1H NMR spectra of the acetates of **12** and **14** (Table 2) clearly showed that we were dealing with the corresponding 10'-acetoxo ketone and the 6',10'-diacetoxo derivative, respectively. Accordingly, several signals showed the expected shift differences and in the spectra of **12a** and **14a** H-10' displayed a broadened singlet at δ 4.69 and 4.65, respectively while H-1' and H-2' were shifted up field in both cases.

The ^1H NMR spectra of the acetates of **15** and **16** (Table 2) both displayed hydroperoxy singlets. Furthermore the typical signals of *trans*-disubstituted double

bonds were visible. In the case of **15a** clear assignments of all signals were only possible in deuteriochloroform. The chemical shifts of H-1' and H-2' in deuteriochloroform indicated a 2'-Z-configuration in both compounds which were obviously isomeric acetoxy derivatives. The relative position of the oxygen functions followed from the corresponding ^1H NMR signals. The natural compounds are most surely derived from the corresponding carbinols by oxidation though only the precursor of **15** was isolated.

The structure of **17** followed from the molecular formula ($\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3$) and its ^1H NMR spectrum (Table 3). The presence of a 5-methyl coumarin was obvious. However, the H-3 signal was missing. Accordingly, a C-3 substituted derivative was present. The typical signals of a vinyl group and of a prenyl group as well as a pair of doublets at δ 4.33 and 4.13 led to the proposed structure. This coumarin is most likely formed by alkylation of 5-methyl-4-hydroxycoumarin with 10-hydroxylinalol.

The molecular formula of **18** indicated the presence of an isomer of **17**. However, in this case the H-3 signal was visible. Careful spin decoupling indicated that a pair of highly broadened doublets at δ 4.54 and 4.33 must be assigned to H-10'. Allylic couplings with a signal at δ 5.71 and at δ 4.56 (2H) supported this proposal. Furthermore the olefinic proton with allylic couplings with the two olefinic methyls showed a vicinal coupling with a proton under an oxygen function which was further coupled with a pair of broadened doublets of doublets. Accordingly, a 5',10'-epoxy derivative of **1** was present. The configuration of the $\Delta^{2'}$ -bond followed from the chemical shift of H-2' which was close to that of **2**.

The ^1H NMR spectrum of **19a** (Table 3) showed that again an epoxy derivative of **1** was present. However, in this case the molecular formula ($\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_8$) already indicated an additional acetoxy function. Spin decoupling allowed the assignment of all signals leading to a sequence which agreed only with the structure **19a**. The relative configuration at C-4' and C-6' was determined by NOE difference spectroscopy. Clear effects between H-4' and H-5', as well as between H-6' and H-5', required a *cis*-orientation of H-4' and H-6'. The NOE between H-10' and H-1' also established the configuration of the $\Delta^{2'}$ -bond. Compound **19** was probably formed by cyclization of the epoxide of **4**.

The ^1H NMR spectra of **20** and its derivatives **20a** and **20b** (Table 3) clearly showed that the aldehyde **20** formed by oxidative degradation of **1** was present.

The last compound **21**, isolated by acetylation of the natural compound, differed completely from all the others. However, the presence of a 5-methyl coumarin clearly followed from the typical ^1H NMR signals (Table 3) which, however, were all slightly shifted down field. Furthermore the H-3 signal was absent indicating an additional ring. The molecular formula was $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_7$ while the presence of a diacetate followed from the ^1H NMR and the IR spectrum. The latter further indicated the presence of phenolacetates. This was also supported by the fragmentation pattern in the mass spectrum where a double elimination of ketene led to the base peak (m/z 282). In agreement with the molecular formula therefore a tetracyclic aromatic compound must be proposed. In the ^1H NMR spectrum in addition to the already mentioned signals only two low field singlets at δ 7.64 and 7.97 were visible. This required a 1',2',4',5'-tetra-substituted phenyl derivative. This was further supported

Table 1. ^1H NMR spectral data of 1–8a (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ -values)

| H | 1 | 2 | 2a | 3 | 3a | 4 | 4a | 5a | 6 | 7 | 8a | Multiplicity |
|--------------|------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| 3 | 5.66 | 5.68 | 5.66 | 5.65 | 5.64 | 5.65 | 5.61 | 5.66 | 5.67 | 5.65 | 5.65 | s |
| 6 | 7.17 | 7.17 | 7.16 | 7.17 | 7.18 | 7.18 | 7.15 | 7.18 | 7.20 | 7.20 | 7.18 | br d |
| 7 | 7.37 | 7.37 | 7.36 | 7.37 | 7.38 | 7.37 | 7.36 | 7.39 | 7.41 | 7.41 | 7.38 | t |
| 8 | 7.03 | 7.03 | 7.02 | 7.03 | 7.04 | 7.03 | 7.02 | 7.04 | 7.05 | 7.07 | 7.03 | br d |
| 9 | 2.67 | 2.67 | 2.65 | 2.67 | 2.67 | 2.67 | 2.64 | 2.66 | 2.70 | 2.70 | 2.66 | s |
| 1' | 4.67 | 4.80 | 4.78 | 4.72 | 4.70 | 4.71 | 4.67 | 4.84 | 5.17 | 4.97 | 4.76 | br d |
| 2' | 5.52 | 5.65 | 5.72 | 5.83 | 5.83 | 5.81 | 5.76 | 6.02 | 6.43 | 6.67 | 5.77 | br t |
| 4' } 5' } | 2.14 | 2.24 2.19 | 2.22 2.16 | 2.21* 2.15* | 2.22 2.16 | 4.11* 2.32* | 5.16* 2.39† 2.32‡ | 5.28* 2.46 2.39 | 2.42* 2.20† 2.20† | 2.37* 2.14† 2.14† | 2.48† 2.40‡ 5.66† | m m |
| 6' | 5.10 | 5.12 | 5.08 | 5.10 | 5.09 | 5.10 | 5.11 | 5.04 | 5.10 | 5.10 | 5.11§ | br t |
| 8' | 1.69 | 1.69 | 1.69 | 1.68 | 1.69 | 1.74 | 1.68 | 1.71 | 1.69 | 1.68 | 1.72 | br s |
| 9' | 1.63 | 1.63 | 1.62 | 1.60 | 1.62 | 1.69 | 1.62 | 1.64 | 1.60 | 1.58 | 1.58 | br s |
| 10' | 1.77 | 4.26 | 4.66 | 4.18 | 4.61 | 1.79 | 1.77 | 4.74§ 4.70§ | 9.95 s | 9.52 s | 4.67 | br s |
| OAc | — | — | 2.08 | — | 2.13 | — | 2.16 | 2.09 2.08 | — | — | 2.08 1.99 | s s |

*t; †dt; ‡dd; §d.

J [Hz]: 6,7=7,8=8; 1',2'=5',6'=7 (compounds 3, 4, 4a, 5a, 6 and 7: 4',5'=7; compound 4a: 5',5₂=14; compound 8a: 4',5'=7.5; 4',5'=5.5; 4',5₂=15; 5',6'=9).

by the ^{13}C NMR spectrum (see Experimental). The mode of anellation was supported by the low field shift of H-3' (δ 7.97) which was most likely due to the carbonyl group. NOE difference spectroscopy gave a final proof. Thus a small effect between H-6' and the aromatic methyl excluded a possible chromone structure. The NOE between the acetoxy methyls, H-3' and H-6' was of the same magnitude. It is most likely that 21 was formed by

reaction of 4-hydroxy-5-methyl coumarin with hydroxy-hydroquinone. We have named 21, mutisifurocoumarin diacetate.

The chemistry of this *Mutisia* species again shows that 5-methyl coumarins are characteristic for parts of the subtribe Mutisiinae [4]. However, these compounds are not present in all genera and also not in all *Mutisia* species. A reinvestigation of *M. acuminata* R. et P. again

Table 2. ^1H NMR spectral data of 9a–16a (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ -values)

| H | 9a | 10a | 10aAc* | 11a† | 12a | 13 | 14a | 15a(C_6D_6)‡ | 16a | Multiplicity |
|-----------------|----------------|-------|--------------|------------------|--------|--------|----------|--------------------------------|--------|--------------|
| 3 | 5.68 | 5.64 | 5.61 | 5.62 | 5.66 | 5.77 | 5.66 | 5.48 | 5.62 | s |
| 6 | 7.19 | 7.19 | 7.17 | 7.18 | 7.18 | 7.18 | 7.18 | 6.98 | 7.17 | br d |
| 7 | 7.39 | 7.39 | 7.37 | 7.37 | 7.38 | 7.41 | 7.38 | 6.89 | 7.37 | t |
| 8 | 7.04 | 7.04 | 7.02 | 7.03 | 7.04 | 7.07 | 7.03 | 6.63 | 7.05 | br d |
| 9 | 2.67 | 2.67 | 2.65 | 2.66 | 2.65 | 2.72 | 2.66 | 2.48 | 2.66 | s |
| 1' | 4.82 | 4.74 | 4.66 | 4.68 | 4.79 | 5.28 | 4.77 | 4.10 | 4.73 | br d |
| 2' | 5.74 | 5.79 | 5.81 | 5.79 | 5.75 | 6.71 | 5.74 | 5.42 | 5.84 | br t |
| 4' | 2.27 | 5.32§ | 5.22 | 5.19 | 2.53 t | 2.65 t | 2.17 | 2.69 d | 5.67 d | m |
| 5' | { 1.90 1.70 | 1.90 | 1.95 | { 2.13 1.93 | 2.90 t | 2.98 t | 1.80 | 5.55 | 5.88§ | m |
| 6' | 4.34 t | 4.33§ | 5.22 | 5.19 t | — | — | 5.17 t | 5.65 d | 5.64 d | m |
| 8' | 1.77 | 1.78 | 1.74 | 1.75 | 1.90 | 1.87 | 1.73 | 1.35 s | 1.37 s | br s |
| 9' ₁ | 5.06 | 5.04 | 4.98 | 4.97 | 5.99 | 5.95 | 4.96 | 1.35 s | 1.36 s | br s |
| 9' ₂ | 5.03 | | 4.91 | 4.95 | 5.82 | 5.78 | 4.92 | | | br s |
| 10' | 4.68 | 1.80 | 1.77 | 1.78 | 4.69 | 9.47 | 4.65 | 4.46 | 1.78 | s |
| OAc | 2.10 | 2.10 | 2.06 2.05 | 2.08(6H) | 2.10 | — | 2.07(6H) | 1.73 s | 2.13 | s |
| OOH | 8.07 | 8.32 | — | — | — | — | — | 7.82 | 7.75 | s |

* $\text{CDCl}_3/\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$: H-4' 5.14 br t, H-6' 5.16 br t; † $\text{CDCl}_3/\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$: H-4' 5.21 dd, H-5' 5.27 dd; ‡ CDCl_3 : H-4' 2.93 br s, H-5', H-6' 5.65 m; §dd; ||dt.J [Hz]: 6,7=7,8=8; 1',2'=5',6'=7 (compound 10a: 4',5'₁=4; 4',5'₂=6; 5',6'=8.5; 5'₂,6'=5.5; compound 10aAc: 4',5'₁=5',6'=8.5; 4',5'₂=5'₂,6'=5; compound 11a: 4',5'₁=5',6'=7; 4',5'₂=5'₂,6'=6; 5',5'₂=14); compounds 12a and 13: 4',5'=7; compound 15a: 4',5'=6.5; 5',6'=16; compound 16a: 4',5'=3.5; 5',6'=16.

Table 3. ^1H NMR spectral data of 17–21 (400 MHz, CDCl_3 , δ -values)

| H | 17 | 18 | 19a | 20 | 20a | 20b | 21* |
|-----|---|--|--|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 3 | — | 5.62 s | 5.65 s | 5.67 s | 5.65 s | 5.66 s | — |
| 6 | 7.20 br d | 7.18 br d | 7.18 br d | 7.20 br d | 7.18 br d | 7.18 br d | 7.38 br d |
| 7 | 7.39 t | 7.38 t | 7.38 t | 7.41 t | 7.38 t | 7.38 t | 7.50 t |
| 8 | 7.03 br d | 7.03 br d | 7.04 br d | 7.06 br d | 7.04 br d | 7.04 br d | 7.22 br d |
| 9 | 2.65 s | 2.67 s | 2.66 s | 2.68 s | 2.66 s | 2.66 s | 1.92 s (H-11) |
| 1' | $\begin{cases} 5.21 \text{ d} \\ 5.15 \text{ d(t)} \end{cases}$ | 4.56 br d | 4.72 br d | 4.88 br d | 4.82 br d | 4.80 br d | — |
| 2' | 6.22 dd | 5.71 ttt | 4.88 br t | 6.26 br t | 5.89 br t | 5.84 br t | — |
| 4' | 2.05 m | $\begin{cases} 2.73 \text{ br dd} \\ 2.37 \text{ br dd} \end{cases}$ | 4.45 br t | 7.19 d | 6.09 d | 6.46 d | — |
| 5' | 2.19 m | 4.62 dt | $\begin{cases} 2.64 \text{ ddd} \\ 1.79 \text{ ddd} \end{cases}$ | 6.29 dd | 5.78 dd | 5.74 dd | — |
| 6' | 5.14 br t | 5.33 dqd | 5.05 dd | 9.65 d | 7.23 d | 4.91 d | 7.64 s |
| 8' | 1.66 br s | 1.75 d | 1.29 s | — | — | — | — |
| 9' | 1.53 br s | 1.72 d | 1.28 s | — | — | — | — |
| 10' | $\begin{cases} 4.33 \text{ d} \\ 4.13 \text{ d} \end{cases}$ | $\begin{cases} 4.54 \text{ br d} \\ 4.33 \text{ br d} \end{cases}$ | 1.77 br s | 1.97 br s | 1.90 br s | 1.89 br s | — |
| | | | | | 2.12 s (6H) OAc | 3.36 s (6H) OMe | 2.38 s (6H) OAc |

*H-3' 7.97 s.

$J[\text{Hz}]$: 6,7=7,8=8; compound 17: 1',2'=10.5; 1',2=17.5; 5',6'=7; 10',10₂'=9.5; compound 18: 1',2'=7; 2',4'=2',10'~1.5; 4',4₂'=15; 4',5'=5.5; 4',5'=5.5; 6',8'=6',9'=1.5; 10',10₂'=13; compound 19a: 1',2'=7; 4',5'=7.5; 5',5₂'=14; 5',6'=4; 5',6'=6.5" compounds 20, 20a and 20b: 1',2'=6.5; 4',5=16.5; 5',6'=7.5 (compound 20a: 5',6'=6.5; compound 20b: 5',6'=5).

only gave triterpenes. The same is true for *Gerbera* were only a few species gave 5-methyl coumarins. The relevance of such findings has to be solved as this is an often observed situation that the ability to produce natural products, which are characteristic for a special genus, is lost in some representatives.

EXPERIMENTAL

The air-dried aerial parts (715 g, collected in Bolivia, voucher Solomon 16315) of *M. orbignyana* were extracted with $\text{MeOH-Et}_2\text{O}$ -petrol, 1:1:1. The resulting extract was worked-up as reported previously [8] and separated by CC (silica gel) into four crude fractions (1) Et_2O -petrol (1:9); (2) Et_2O -petrol (1:1); (3) Et_2O and (4) $\text{Et}_2\text{O-MeOH}$ (9:1 and 3:2). TLC (silica gel, PF 254) of fraction 1 gave 10 mg thymol methyl ether. TLC of fr. 2 (Et_2O -petrol, 1:1) gave 200 mg 1, 50 mg lupeol and 50 mg taraxasterol. HPLC of fraction 3 ($\text{MeOH-H}_2\text{O}$, 9:1, always RP 18, ca 100 bar) gave 200 mg 7 (R_f , 1.9 min), a mixture (3/2, R_f , 2.6 min) and 150 mg 2a (R_f , 3.7 min). Fraction 3/2 gave by TLC ($\text{CHCl}_3\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6\text{-Et}_2\text{O}$, 9:9:1) 5 mg 3a (R_f , 0.68), 5 mg 6 (R_f , 0.54) and 2 mg 4a (R_f , 0.48). Fraction 4 was a complex mixture. By HPLC ($\text{MeOH-H}_2\text{O}$, 4:1) 5% was separated affording 50 mg 4, 3 mg 2, 1 mg 3 and a remaining complex mixture which could not be separated. As no acetate methyl was visible in the ^1H NMR spectrum the whole mixture was acetylated (Ac_2O , CHCl_3 , DMAP) and the resulting acetates were separated by flash chromatography (SiO_2 , $\varnothing 60\mu$) into 10 fractions (4/1–4/10). TLC of 4/1 (Et_2O -petrol, 1:1) gave 3 mg 17 (R_f , 0.78). Fraction 4/2 gave 4 mg 1 and fractions 4/3 afforded by HPLC ($\text{MeOH-H}_2\text{O}$, 9:1) 20 mg 3a (R_f , 3.2 min) and 50 mg 2a (R_f , 4.0 min). HPLC (same conditions) of fractions 4/4 gave a mixture (R_f , 1.4 min, 4/4/1), 10 mg 7 (R_f , 2.7 min), 1.2 g 4a (R_f , 3.7 min) and 300 mg 2a (R_f , 4.3 min). TLC of 4/4/1 ($\text{CHCl}_3\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6\text{-Et}_2\text{O}$, 1:1:1) afforded 2 mg 10a (R_f , 0.65), 16 mg 15a (R_f , 0.48) and a mixture which gave

by HPLC ($\text{MeOH-H}_2\text{O}$, 4:1) 3 mg 16a (R_f , 1.5 min) and 3 mg 9a (R_f , 1.7 min). HPLC of fraction 4/5 ($\text{MeOH-H}_2\text{O}$, 4:1) gave 5 mg 7 (R_f , 6.8 min) and 100 mg 4a (R_f , 11.2 min). HPLC of fraction 4/6 ($\text{MeOH-H}_2\text{O}$, 4:1) afforded 3 mg 20a (R_f , 5.7 min), 8 mg 11a (R_f , 6.9 min), 8 mg 10a acetate (R_f , 7.8 min), 20 mg 5a (R_f , 10.9 min) and two mixtures (4/6/5 and 4/6/6). TLC of 4/6/5 (Et_2O -petrol, 3:1, three developments) gave 2 mg 8a (R_f , 0.65) and 7 mg 14a (R_f , 0.58). TLC of 4/6/6 ($\text{CHCl}_3\text{-C}_6\text{H}_6\text{-Et}_2\text{O}$, 2:2:1, three developments) afforded 3 mg 18 (R_f , 0.63) and 20 mg 14a (R_f , 0.55). HPLC of fraction 4/7 ($\text{MeOH-H}_2\text{O}$, 4:1) gave 30 mg arbutin pentaacetate (R_f , 1.3 min); ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz): 7.00 (br s, H-2, 3, 5, 6), 5.04 (d, H-1'), 5.29 (t, H-2'), 5.26 (t, H-3'), 5.17 (t, H-4'), 3.84 (dd, H-5'), 4.30 and 4.18 (dd, H-5'), 2.29, 2.08, 2.07, 2.05, 2.04 (s, OAc) (J [Hz]: 1',2'=7.5; 2',3'=3',4'=4',5'~9; 5',6₁'=5; 5',6₂'=2.5; 6',6₂'=12.5); 1 mg 13 (R_f , 5.3 min), 2 mg 12a (R_f , 6.0 min), 7 mg 19a (R_f , 7.0 min) and 20 mg 14a (R_f , 10.3 min). Fraction 4/8 afforded 1.5 g isorhamnetin tetra-acetate and 200 mg rhamnazin triacetate (only 5% separated by HPLC) and fraction 4/9 2 g quercetin pentaacetate. TLC of fraction 4/10 ($\text{CHCl}_3\text{-Et}_2\text{O}$, 1:1) gave 3 mg 21 (R_f , 0.8).

4-Geranyloxy-5-methyl coumarin (1). Colourless crystals, mp 91°, IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{CHCl}_3}$ cm^{-1} : 1720, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 312.173 [$\text{M}]^+$ (1.5) (calc. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_3$: 312.173), 297 [$\text{M}-\text{Me}]^+$ (1.5), 177 [$\text{M}-\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}$] $^+$ (54), 135 [$\text{C}_8\text{H}_7\text{O}_2$] $^+$ (20), 134 [$\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{O}_2$] $^+$ (17), 69 [C_5H_5] $^+$ (100). Identical with synthetic material.

4-[10-Hydroxygeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (2). Colourless crystals, mp 114°, IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{CHCl}_3}$ cm^{-1} : 3360 (OH), 1700, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 328.167 [$\text{M}]^+$ (3) (calc. for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_4$: 328.167), 310 [$\text{M}-\text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$ (5), 201 (7), 177 [$\text{M}-\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}]^+$ (44), 176 [$\text{M}-\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}]^+$ (53), 135 [$\text{C}_8\text{H}_7\text{O}_2$] $^+$ (64), 134 [$\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{O}_2$] $^+$ (82), 69 [C_5H_5] $^+$ (100). Acetylation gave the acetate 2a identical with the natural product; colourless crystals, mp 57°, IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{CCl}_4}$ cm^{-1} : 1740, 1230 (OAc), 1720, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 370.178 [$\text{M}]^+$ (1.5) (calc. for

$C_{22}H_{26}O_5$; 370.178), 310 [M – HOAc]⁺ (5), 295 [310 – Me]⁺ (4), 241 [310 – C₅H₉]⁺ (22), 201 (20), 177 [M – C₁₀H₁₄(OAc)₂O]⁺ (34), 135 [C₈H₇O₂]⁺ (28), 134 [C₈H₆O₂]⁺ (28), 69 [C₅H₉]⁺ (100).

4-[10-Hydroxyneroxy]-5-methyl coumarin (3). Colourless crystals, mp 103°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 3600 (OH), 1725, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 328.167 [M]⁺ (3) (calc. for C₂₀H₂₄O₄); 310 (3.5), 201 (12), 177 (57), 135 (72), 134 (35), 69 (100). Acetylation gave the acetate 3a, identical with the natural product; colourless crystals, mp 109°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1740, 1230 (OAc), 1725, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 370.178 [M]⁺ (2) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₆O₅); 370.178, 310 (8), 295 (4), 241 (22), 201 (22), 177 (46), 135 (43), 134 (46), 69 (100).

4-[4-Hydroxygeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (4). Colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 3580 (OH), 1720, 1610, 1595 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 328.167 [M]⁺ (0.7) (calc. for C₂₀H₂₄O₄); 328.167, 310 (3.5), 201 (10), 190 (50), 164 (43), 135 (100), 134 (26); [α]_D²⁴ – 21 (CHCl₃; c0.78). Acetylation gave the acetate 4a, colourless crystals, mp 38°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1740, 1235 (OAc), 1720, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 370.178 [M]⁺ (1) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₆O₅); 370.178, 310 (2), 241 (4.5), 201 (37), 177 (40), 135 (28), 134 (21), 69 (100); [α]_D²⁴ – 13 (CHCl₃; c3.7).

4-[4,10-Dihydroxygeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (5). Isolated as its diacetate 5a, colourless crystals, mp 64°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1745, 1230 (OAc), 1725, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 428.184 [M]⁺ (5) (calc. for C₂₄H₂₈O₇); 428.184, 386 (2.5), 369 [M – OAc]⁺ (2.2), 368 [M – HOAc]⁺ (1), 308 [368 – HOAc]⁺ (27), 201 (62), 177 (100), 135 (35), 134 (35), 69 (71); [α]_D²⁴ – 7 (CHCl₃; c0.7).

4-[10-Oxo-geranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (6). Colourless crystals, mp 67°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 2740, 1730 (CHO), 1720, 1612, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 326.152 [M]⁺ (1.5) (calc. for C₂₀H₂₂O₄); 326.152, 257 [M – C₅H₉]⁺ (22), 177 (48), 135 (32), 134 (18), 69 (100).

4-[10-Oxo-neroxy]-5-methyl coumarin (7). Colourless crystals, mp 144°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CHCl_3}$ cm⁻¹: 2740, 1710 (CHO), 1700, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 326.152 [M]⁺ (2.5) (calc. for C₂₀H₂₂O₄); 326.152, 257 [M – C₅H₉]⁺ (20), 201 (24), 177 (56), 135 (60), 134 (44), 69 (100). Boranate reduction (MeOH, 20°, 5 min) gave after TLC (CHCl₃–C₆H₆–Et₂O, 1:1:1) 3, identical with the natural product.

4-[5,10-Dihydroxygeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (8). Isolated as its diacetate 8a, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1745, 1250 (OAc), 1730, 1620, 1610 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 428.184 [M]⁺ (0.2) (calc. for C₂₄H₂₈O₇); 428.184, 386 (1), 368 [M – HOAc]⁺ (1.5), 308 (34), 201 (46), 177 (42), 135 (36), 134 (35), 133 (81), 85 [C₅H₉O]⁺ (100).

4-[10-Hydroxy-6-hydroxyperoxy-7,9-dehydro-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (9). Colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 3300 (OH), 1735, 1225 (OAc), 1720, 1610 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 402.168 [M]⁺ (1) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₆O₅); 402.168, 384 [M – H₂O]⁺ (2), 368 [M – H₂O₂]⁺ (1), 324 [384 – HOAc]⁺ (3), 241 (23), 177 (52), 135 (61), 134 (63), 69 (100); [α]_D²⁴ – 15 (CHCl₃; c0.1).

4-[4-Hydroxy-6-epi-hydroperoxy-7,9-dehydro-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (10). Isolated as its acetate 10a, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1735, 1230 (OAc), 1725, 1610 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 402.168 [M]⁺ (0.8) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₆O₅); 402.168, 384 (2), 324 (4), 201 (28), 177 (38), 135 (42), 134 (40), 69 (100). Acetylation gave the diacetate 10a acetate, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1740, 1235 (OAc), 1725, 1615, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 444.178 [M]⁺ (0.5) (calc. for C₂₄H₂₈O₈); 444.178, 369 [M – OAc]⁺ (1.2), 368 [M – HOAc]⁺ (0.7), 308 [368 – HOAc]⁺ (13), 201 (40), 177 (26), 151 (66), 135 (30), 134 (38), 133 (64), 55 (100); [α]_D²⁴ – 64 (CHCl₃; c0.29).

4-[4-Hydroxy-6-epi-hydroperoxy-7,9-dehydro-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (11). Isolated as its diacetate 11a,

colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1735, 1235 (OAc), 1725, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 444.178 [M]⁺ (0.4) (calc. for C₂₄H₂₈O₈); 444.178, 369 [M – OAc]⁺ (1.5), 368 [M – HOAc]⁺ (1), 308 [368 – HOAc]⁺ (26), 201 (63), 177 (34), 151 (100), 135 (26), 133 (81).

4-[10-Hydroxy-6-oxo-7,9-dehydro-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (12). Isolated as its acetate, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1740, 1225 (OAc), 1720, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 384.157 [M]⁺ (0.2) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₄O₆); 384.157, 324 [M – HOAc]⁺ (3), 301 (2), 241 (21), 201 (14), 177 (20), 135 (26), 134 (24), 69 (100).

4-[6,10-Dioxo-neroxy]-5-methyl coumarin (13). Colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1725 (C=O), 1690 (C=C=O), 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 340.131 [M]⁺ (0.6) (calc. for C₂₀H₂₀O₅); 340.131, 201 (20), 177 (20), 135 (34), 134 (33), 69 (100).

4-[6,10-Dihydroxy-7,9-dehydro-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (14). Isolated as its diacetate 14a, colourless crystals, mp 46°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1735, 1235 (OAc), 1725, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 428.184 [M]⁺ (0.2) (calc. for C₂₄H₂₈O₇); 428.184, 368 [M – HOAc]⁺ (2.5), 308 (40), 201 (38), 177 (40), 135 (47), 133 (100), 105 (88).

4-[10-Hydroxy-7-hydroperoxy-5,6E-dehydro-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (15). Isolated as its acetate 14a, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 3520 (OOH), 1740, 1230 (OAc), 1720, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 384.157 [M – H₂O]⁺ (1) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₄O₆); 384.157, 241 (11), 201 (28), 177 (24), 135 (46), 134 (81), 55 (100).

4-[4-Hydroxy-7-hydroperoxy-5,6E-dehydro-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (16). Isolated as its acetate 16a, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1735, 1230 (OAc), 1725, 1610 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 402.168 [M]⁺ (0.3) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₆O₅); 402.168, 384 (0.7), 342 (0.7), 201 (28), 177 (34), 135 (50), 134 (49), 60 (100).

3-[4,10-Epoxylinallyl]-5-methyl coumarin (17). Colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1720, 1610 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 310.157 [M]⁺ (6) (calc. for C₂₀H₂₂O₃); 310.157, 228 [M – C₇H₁₀]⁺ (100), 227 (41), 213 [228 – Me]⁺ (18), 135 (12).

4-[5,10-Epoxygeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (18). Colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1730, 1625, 1605 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 326.152 [M]⁺ (3) (calc. for C₂₀H₂₂O₄); 326.152, 308 [M – H₂O]⁺ (3), 201 (12), 177 (30), 135 (32), 134 (21), 69 (100).

4-[4β,7-Epoxy-6β-hydroxy-6,7-dihydrogeranyloxy]-5-methyl coumarin (19). Isolated as its acetate 19a, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1745, 1240 (OAc), 1720, 1610, 1605 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 386.173 [M]⁺ (1.3) (calc. for C₂₂H₂₆O₆); 386.173, 326 [M – HOAc]⁺ (3.5), 308 [326 – H₂O]⁺ (6), 201 (18), 151 (60), 135 (35), 134 (21), 97 (100); [α]_D²⁴ + 9 (CHCl₃; c0.64).

4-[5-Formyl-3-methyl-pent-2E,4E-dien-1-yl]-5-methyl coumarin (20). Colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CHCl_3}$ cm⁻¹: 2760, 1680 (CHO), 1710, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 284.105 [M]⁺ (4) (calc. for C₁₇H₁₆O₄); 284.105, 255 [M – CHO]⁺ (14), 202 (70), 177 (17), 176 (32), 135 (56), 134 (80), 81 (100). Acetylation gave the diacetate 20a, colourless crystals, mp 155°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1760, 1740, 1250 (OAc), 1710, 1605, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 386.137 [M]⁺ (0.5) (calc. for C₂₁H₂₂O₇); 386.137, 326 [M – HOAc]⁺ (2), 284 [326 – ketene]⁺ (6), 266 [326 – HOAc]⁺ (3), 202 (20), 177 (100). Reaction of 19 in MeOH with pTs gave the dimethyl acetal 20b, colourless oil; IR $\nu_{max}^{CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1725, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 330.147 [M]⁺ (1) (calc. for C₁₉H₂₂O₅); 330.147, 298 [M – HOAc]⁺ (10), 266 [298 – HOMe]⁺ (8), 201 (12), 135 (20), 75 (100).

Mutisifuro coumarin diacetate (21). Colourless crystals, mp 243–245°; IR $\nu_{max}^{CHCl_3}$ cm⁻¹: 1770 (PhOAc), 1730, 1610, 1600 (coumarin); MS m/z (rel. int.): 366.074 [M]⁺ (7) (calc. for C₂₀H₁₄O₅); 366.074, 324 [M – ketene]⁺ (12), 282 [324 – ketene]⁺ (100); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, C-2, C-11): 166.4 s, 121.1 s, 162.3

s, 135.3 s, 126.9 d, 131.6 d, 115.6 d, 154.5 s, 111.8 s, 21.3 q; C-1'-C-6': 166.2 s, 140.3 s, 115.4 d, 141.2 s, 152.3 s, 107.4 d; OAc: 20.5, 20.7 q, 170.5 s (2x).

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