

## QUERCETIN 3-RHAMNOSYL (1→2) GALACTOSIDE FROM *LYSIMACHIA VULGARIS* VAR. *DAVURICA*\*

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**Abstract**—From the whole plant of *Lysimachia vulgaris* var. *davurica*, a new flavonol glycoside was isolated together with astragalin, hyperin, isorhamnetin 3-galactoside, syringetin 3-galactoside and isorhamnetin 3-robinobioside. The structure of the new compound was established as quercetin 3-rhamnosyl (1→2) galactoside.

### INTRODUCTION

Glycosides of the flavonols kaempferol, quercetin and myricetin have already been isolated from a number of *Lysimachia* species (*L. vulgaris* [1, 2], *L. punctata* [3], *L. nummularia* [4], *L. japonica* [5], *L. clethroides* [5] and *L. mauritiana* [6]). In this paper we report the isolation and characterization of six flavonol glycosides from the whole plant of *L. vulgaris* var. *davurica*, which is used in Chinese folk medicine for the treatment of high blood pressure. Isorhamnetin 3-galactoside, syringetin 3-galactoside and isorhamnetin 3-robinobioside are reported for the first time in *Lysimachia* and quercetin 3-rhamnosyl (1→2) galactoside is a new compound.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The concentrated methanol extract prepared from the air-dried whole plant of *L. vulgaris* var. *davurica* was extracted successively with ethyl acetate and *n*-butanol. Four flavonol glycosides (1–4) were isolated from the ethyl acetate fraction and a further two flavonol glycosides (5 and 6) from the *n*-butanol fraction by column chromatography. Compounds 1, 2 and 3 were identified as kaempferol 3-glucoside, quercetin 3-galactoside and isorhamnetin 3-galactoside, respectively by standard procedures and direct comparison with authentic samples.

Compound 4 was characterized as syringetin 3-galactoside by acid hydrolysis to give syringetin and galactose, UV spectral analysis and  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR.

Compound 5 was identified as isorhamnetin 3-robinobioside by acid hydrolysis to isorhamnetin, galactose and rhamnose, UV spectral analysis and  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR. The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR confirmed the presence of galactose and rhamnose units in 5, the only significant difference from 2

being an upfield shift of 5.7 ppm for the C-6 of galactose and a downfield shift of 1.7 ppm for the C-5 of galactose (Table 1). These shifts are analogous to those reported [7] for a flavonol rhamnosyl (1→6) galactoside thus confirming the sugar linkage in 5.

Acid hydrolysis of 6 gave quercetin, galactose and rhamnose (TLC). The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of 6 in DMSO- $d_6$  also confirmed that it was a quercetin glycoside. The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR shifts of the aglycone part of 6 corresponded well to the shifts for quercetin, the only significant difference being an upfield shift of 2.7 ppm for the C-3. The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR also showed that 6 had galactose and rhamnose units in its structure, the only significant difference from 2 being an upfield shift of 4.1 ppm for the C-2 of galactose and a downfield shift of 3.5 ppm for the C-1 of galactose (Table 1). These shifts are analogous to those reported [7] for a flavonol rhamnosyl (1→2)

Table 1.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectral data of sugar units of compounds 2, 5 and 6

C		Compound		
		2	5	6
Galactose	1	102.6	102.4	99.1
	2	71.5	71.6	75.6
	3	73.6	73.5	74.0
	4	68.2	68.4	68.1
	5	75.9	74.2	75.8
	6	60.4	66.1	60.4
Rhamnose	1	—	100.5	100.6
	2	—	71.0	70.9
	3	—	70.6	70.7
	4	—	72.3	72.3
	5	—	68.4	68.7
	6	—	17.7	17.1

25.5 MHz, 90°, DMSO- $d_6$ , TMS as internal standard.

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Table 2. Flavonol glycosides of *L. vulgaris* and *L. vulgaris* var. *davurica*

Sugar unit	Kaempferol	Quercetin	Isorhamnetin	Myricetin	Syringetin
7-Glc		○			
3-Glc	○ ●	○			
3-Gal		●	●		●
3-Rha-Glc	○	○		○	
3-Rha-Gal		●	●		

Key: Glc, glucoside; Gal, galactoside; Rha-Glc, rhamnosylglucoside; Rha-Gal, rhamnosylgalactoside.  
○: *L. vulgaris*; ●: *L. vulgaris* var. *davurica*.

galactoside. The structure of **6** was therefore determined as quercetin 3-*O*- $\alpha$ -rhamnopyranosyl (1  $\rightarrow$  2)- $\beta$ -galactopyranoside.  
The flavonol glycosides for the basic species *L. vulgaris* have been isolated also and are compared with the variety *davurica* in Table 2. The two taxa show marked differences in the flavonol aglycones and glycosides present with only kaempferol 3-glucoside common to both. This may suggest that there may be more than a varietal difference between these two plants.

EXPERIMENTAL

Mps: uncorr. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded at 100 and 25.5 MHz, respectively, chemical shifts are given in  $\delta$ (ppm) with TMS at int. std. CC was carried out using Sephadex LH-20 (Pharmacia). TLC on Avicel SF (Funakoshi) was performed with *n*-BuOH–HOAc–H<sub>2</sub>O (3:1:1).  
*Plant material.* *Lysimachia vulgaris* Linn. var. *davurica* (Ledeb.) R. Kunth was collected at Mt Nyukasa, Nagano, Japan in the autumn of 1985.  
*Extraction and isolation.* Dried whole plants (300 g) were extracted with MeOH and the concd extract macerated with hot H<sub>2</sub>O and filtered. The H<sub>2</sub>O soln were extracted with EtOAc followed by *n*-BuOH. Yield: EtOAc extract (2 g) and *n*-BuOH extract (3.4 g).  
The EtOAc extract (2 g) was then subjected to CC on Sephadex LH-20, using MeOH as eluent, to yield **1** (15 mg), **2** (350 mg), **3** (400 mg) and **4** (90 mg). The *n*-BuOH extract (3 g) was analysed by the same method, to yield **5** (10 mg) and **6** (60 mg).  
*Quercetin 3-*O*- $\alpha$ -rhamnopyranosyl (1  $\rightarrow$  2)- $\beta$ -galactopyranoside (**6**).* Recryst. (H<sub>2</sub>O–MeCN) gave yellow needles, mp 205–207°. Analysis: calcd: C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>17</sub>: C, 53.11; H, 4.95; found: C, 52.90; H,

5.03. Dark green with FeCl<sub>3</sub>, pale red with Mg + HCl test. UV  $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{EtOH}}$  nm: 258, 266sh, 364. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 90°)  $\delta$  ppm: 7.65 (1H, *dd*, *J* = 1.9 Hz, *J* = 8.8 Hz, H-6'), 7.52 (1H, *d*, *J* = 1.9 Hz, H-2'), 6.82 (1H, *d*, *J* = 8.8 Hz, H-5'), 6.36 (1H, *d*, *J* = 1.9 Hz, H-8), 6.18 (1H, *d*, *J* = 1.9 Hz, H-6), 5.61 (1H, *d*, *J* = 7.3 Hz, galactosyl H-1), 5.09 (1H, *s*, rhamnosyl H-1), 0.86 (3H, *d*, *J* = 6.3 Hz, rhamnosyl Me-6). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 90°)  $\delta$  ppm: 177.3 (C-4), 163.9 (C-7), 161.3 (C-5), 156.3 (C-2), 156.2 (C-9), 148.2 (C-4'), 144.7 (C-3'), 133.1 (C-3), 122.0 (C-1'), 121.5 (C-6'), 116.0 (C-5'), 115.3 (C-2'), 104.2 (C-10), 98.7 (C-6), 93.5 (C-8). Chemical shifts of sugar units are given in Table 1.  
*Hydrolysis of 6.* Compound **6** (5 mg) treated with 2 N HCl at 100° for 3 hr gave quercetin direct comparison with an authentic sample and rhamnose and galactose (TLC).  
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