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# DITERPENOIDS FROM ISODON GLUTINOSUS

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**Abstract**—Two novel diterpenoids were isolated from a diethylether extract of the leaves of *Isodon glutinosus*. Their structures were elucidated by 1D and 2D NMR experiments, including, <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H correlation spectroscopy (COSY, NOESY) and <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C heteronuclear correlation (COSY, COLOC). © 1997 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved

### INTRODUCTION

Since the active *ent*-kaurene diterpenoid, enmein, was first isolated from the Japanese folk medicine 'eimeso', a considerable number of diterpenoids have been found in a variety of *Isodon* species [1,2]. Most of these diterpenoids possess the *ent*-kaurene skeleton, and whose main physiological properties are antitumor, antibacterial activities as well as inhibitory activities on the respiration of rat mitochondria and for insect growth [3].

Our earlier work on *Isodon glutinosus* C. Y. Wu et H. W. Li, in the context of an intensive study on the bioactive diterpenoids from *Isodon* plants, yielded three diterpenoids: glutinosin, *ent*-kauran-16\alpha,17-diol, and pisiferic acid [4,5]. Recently, we studied the same plant collected in Lijiang county, Yunnan Province, China, to afford two novel diterpenoids, isodoglutinosin A and B (1 and 2).

In this paper, we present the isolation and the structure elucidation of isodoglutinosin A and B (1 and 2), through a series of one- and two-dimensional NMR techniques, including DEPT, COSY, NOESY and COLOC experiments.

# RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

An ethereal extract from the leave of *Isodon glu*tinosus was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel, followed by further repeated column chromatography and recrystallization to give iso-doglutinosin A and B (1 and 2).

Isodoglutinosin A (1), a colourless crystal, displayed a  $[M]^+$  ion at m/z 390 in agreement with the molecular formula C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>6</sub>. The existence of a fivemembered ketone conjugated with an exo-methylene in 1 was evident from the following data:  $\lambda_{max}$  231 nm (log  $\varepsilon$  4.15);  $v_{\text{max}}$  1720 and 1640 cm<sup>-1</sup>,  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  6.24 and 5.32 (each 1H, s) as well as  $\delta_{\rm C}$  149.0 (s), 116.9 (t) and 202.1 (s). The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of isodoglutinosin A (1) showed, in addition to the signals of one acetoxy group ( $\delta$  171.0s and 21.0q), 20 carbons being divided by DEPT experiments into Me  $\times$  3, CH<sub>2</sub>  $\times$  5,  $CH \times 6$ , and  $C \times 6$ , suggesting a tetracyclic *ent*-kaur-15-oxo-16-ene nucleus typically found in *Isodon* plants [2]. This nucleus possesses five quaternary skeletal carbons, of which three were assigned to C-4 (34.2s), C-8 (70.9s) and C-10 (47.0s), respectively. Oxygenated substituents at C-1, C-14, and C-7 were indicated by the significant downfield shifts exhibited by C-10 and C-8 in compound 1, relative to the corresponding values in the model compounds [6]. This deduction was unambiguously confirmed by the proton-carbon long-range chemical shift correlation 2D NMR technique (COLOC) (see Fig. 1).

In the COLOC spectrum of 1, a two-bond coupling was observed from C-10 ( $\delta$  47.0) to the double doublet proton of  $\delta$  3.58 (dd, J = 9.2, 4.4 Hz) placing it at C-1, and from C-8 ( $\delta$  70.9) to a singlet proton at  $\delta$  5.17 (s) to locate it at C-14, which in turn was associated with the carbon resonating at  $\delta$  199.3 (s), thus suggesting that the additional ketone carbonyl group was at C-7. Correlations were also observed from C-8 and ester carbonyl signal ( $\delta$  171.0) to a proton signal at  $\delta$ 

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6.10 (d, J = 12.4 Hz) which in turn was correlated with the signal at  $\delta$  76.1 (d) in the  $^{1}H^{-13}C$  COSY spectrum, so we assigned the  $\delta$  6.10 doublet to the signal of H-6.

The relative sterochemistry of **1** was elucidated on the basis of NOESY correlations (Fig. 2). The NOESY spectrum of isodoglutinosin A (1) showed cross-peaks of H-1/H-5, H-1/H-9, H-5/H-9, H-6/Me-19, and H-14/Me-20, establishing the 1-H, 6-H and 14-H as  $\beta$ -,  $\alpha$ - and  $\alpha$ -oriented, respectively. In accordance with the data mentioned above, isodoglutinosin A (1) was identified as  $1\alpha$ ,14 $\beta$ -dihydroxy-6 $\beta$ -acetoxy-ent-kaur-7,15-dioxo-16-ene. The unambiguous assignments for all of the carbons and the key protons are as shown in Tables 1 and 2.

Isodoglutinosin B (2), a colourless crystal, was

Table 1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR data for compounds 1 and 2 in pyridine-

Н	1	2
1β	3.58dd, 9.2, 4.4	3.59dd, 10.0, 4.0
$2\alpha$	1.88m	1.90 <i>m</i>
$2\beta$	1.74m	1.74m
3α	1.51dt, 9.8, 3.0	1.41dt, 14.1, 2.6
$3\beta$	1.30 <i>m</i>	1.31 <i>m</i>
5β	1.80 <i>d</i> , 12.4	0.76dd, 10.6, 2.0
6α	6.10 <i>d</i> , 12.4	1.35-1.40*
6β	_	1.35-1.40*
7α		1.51dd, 12.0, 3.0
$7\beta$	_	1.48*
9β	2.50dd, 5.5, 2.5	1.94br.s
11α	3.41dd, 15.5, 5.5	5.91 <i>br.s</i>
11β	1.59m	_
12α	2.16m	2.06dd, 11.0, 3.5
$12\beta$	1.75*	1.27m
13α	3.29br.s	2.72t, 6.0
14α	5.17 <i>s</i>	2.28d, 11.0
$14\beta$	_	2.06 <i>dd</i> , 11.0, 4.0
15α		1.68d, 10.2
$15\beta$		1.81dd, 10.2, 2.0
17	6.24s	4.10d, 11.2
17	5.32 <i>s</i>	3.98d, 11.2
18	1.12s	0.83s
19	1.03 <i>s</i>	0.84s
20	1.62s	1.34s
OAc	2.10 <i>s</i>	_

<sup>\*</sup>Ambiguous due to signal overlapping.

HO OH

Table 2.  $^{13}$ C NMR data for compounds 1 and 2 in pyridined<sub>5</sub>

C	1	2
1	78.8 <i>d</i>	80.9 <i>d</i>
2	30.1 <i>t</i>	29.7t
2 3	39.7 <i>t</i>	40.1 <i>t</i>
4	34.2 <i>s</i>	33.1 <i>s</i>
5	53.7 <i>d</i>	56.0 <i>d</i>
6	76.1 <i>d</i>	20.4t
7	199.3s	38.9t
8	70.9s	43.8 <i>s</i>
9	57.0 <i>d</i>	61.1 <i>d</i>
10	47.0s	46.0s
11	19.5 <i>t</i>	80.1 <i>d</i>
12	32.3 <i>t</i>	44.2 <i>t</i>
13	47.1 <i>d</i>	43.0 <i>d</i>
14	74.7 <i>d</i>	40.8t
15	202.1s	53.9 <i>t</i>
16	149.0s	89.5s
17	116.9 <i>t</i>	65.9t
18	35.0q	33.7q
19	22.3q	22.1 <i>q</i>
20	15.1q	13.5q
Ac	171.0s	_
	21.0q	

shown to have the molecular formula,  $C_{20}H_{32}O_3$ , by EI-mass spectrometry, indicating five degrees of unsaturation. The  $^{13}C$  NMR spectrum of isodoglutinosin B (2) clearly revealed 20 carbons, DEPT analysis showed the presence of Me  $\times$  3, CH<sub>2</sub>  $\times$  8, CH  $\times$  5 and C  $\times$  4. Only the absorptions for a hydroxyl group (3585, 3300 cm $^{-1}$ ) and an ether bond (1020 cm $^{-1}$ ) were observed in its IR spectrum. These findings suggested that 2 possessed a basic *ent*-kaurane skeleton in which the unsaturated functionalities of ring D (=CH<sub>2</sub> and C=O) were reduced. Meanwhile, the further degree of unsaturation required by the molecular formula indicated the presence of an additional ring.

The  $\delta$  60–90 region of the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **2** exhibited four signals at  $\delta$  89.5 (s), 80.9 (d), 80.1 (d) and 65.9 (t), suggesting that one of the three oxygens in **2** was connected with two carbons to form an epoxy unit. The linkage of this additional ring through an ether bridge (oxygen atom) from C-11 to C-16 was

Table 3. 2D  ${}^{1}H^{-1}H$  COSY data for compounds 1 and 2 in pyridine- $d_5$ 

Proton	Correlated proton	
	1	2
Η-1β	H-2	Η-2α,2
Η-2α	H-2,3	$H-2\beta$ ,3
Η-2β	H-2,3	H-2α,3
Η-3α	H-3,2	H-2
Η-3β	H-3,2	H-2
Η-5β	$H-6\beta$	H-6
Η-6α	Η-5β	H-5β
Η-7α	•	H-6
Η-9β	H-11	H-11α
Η-11α	H-11,12	$H-9\beta$ , $12\alpha$
Η-11β	H-9 $\beta$ ,11	•
H-12α	Η-12,11α	H-12 $\beta$ ,13 $\alpha$ ,
		11α
$H-12\beta$	Η-12,13α	$H-12\alpha,13\alpha$
Η-13α	Η-12β	H-12 $\beta$ ,14 $\beta$
Η-14α	•	Η-14β
Η-14β	$H-14\alpha,13\alpha,$	,
•		15β
Η-15β		Η-14β
H-17a	H-17b	H-17b
H-17b	H-17a	H-17a

Table 4. 2D <sup>1</sup>H—<sup>1</sup>H NOESY data for compounds 1 and 2 in pyridine-d<sub>5</sub>

Proton	Correlated proton	
	1	2
Η-1β	Η-5β,9β	Η-5β,9β
Η-5β	$H-1\beta,9\beta,18$	$H-1\beta,9\beta$
Η-6α	H-19,20	
Η-9β	H-1 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$ , 117- $\beta$	H-1 $\beta$ ,5 $\beta$
Η-11α	·	$H-9\beta,12$
Η-13α	H-14α,12,17a	H-12β,14β, 17
H-14α	$H-20,13\alpha$	$H-12\alpha,20$
H-17a	H-17b	
H-17b	H-17a	
CH <sub>3</sub> -18	Η-5β	
CH <sub>3</sub> -19	Η-20,6α	H-20
CH <sub>3</sub> -20	H-11 $\alpha$ ,19,	H-19
	14α	

established unambiguously by analysis of the  ${}^2J$  and  ${}^3J$  heteronuclear couplings visualized through a COLOC experiment, i.e. H-11 (5.91 *brs*) was coupled to C-16 (89.5*s*) in its COLOC spectrum, the remainder of the COLOC correlations were given in Table 5 and shown as Fig. 3.

Characterization of the  $1\alpha$ -hydroxyl was accomplished by essentially the same evidence as that for isodoglutinosin A (1), and the C-17 position was finally determined as the site of the remaining

hydroxyl group from the <sup>1</sup>H NMR data and NOESY experiments (see Tables 1 and 4). Consequently, isodoglutinosin B (2) was established to be  $1\alpha$ ,17-dihydroxy- $11\beta$ , $16\beta$ -epoxy-ent-kaurane.

### **EXPERIMENTAL**

General. Mps determined on a Kofler hot-stage apparatus and are uncorr. UV spectra measured on Beckman DU-7 spectrophotometers; IR spectra taken on a Perkin-Elmer 577 instrument and recorded in KBr pellets. MS were obtained from ZAB-HS mass spectrometer in the EI-mode. All NMR spectra were recorded with a Bruker AM-400 NMR spectrometer; pyridine-d<sub>5</sub> as solvent and TMS as int. standard.

Plant material. The plant material of *I. glutinosus* C. Y. Wu et H. W. Li was collected from Lijiang County, Yunnan Province, P. R. China, and identified by Prof. H. W. Li. The voucher specimen of *I. glutinosus* is deposited in the Herbarioum of the Department of Taxonomy, Kunming Institute of Botany, Academia Sinica, Kunming, P. R. China.

Extraction and isolation. Powdered air-dried leaves (3.0 kg) of *I. glutinosus* were extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O and the solvent removed under vacuum. The residue (370 g) was treated with activated C (2 × 20 g) in MeOH. The soln. was filtered and the solvent evaporated to yield 260 g yellow gum which was subjected to CC on silica gel, eluted with petrol, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, and CHCl<sub>3</sub>—Me<sub>2</sub>CO with increasing proportions of Me<sub>2</sub>CO. Frs were collected, and combined after monitoring with TLC, followed by recrystallization to afford iso-

Table 5. 2D COLOC data for compounds 1 and 2 in pyridine $d_5$ 

	Correlated proton	
Carbon	1	2
C-1	Η-9β,2,3	
C-2	H-3	_
C-3	H-18,19	H-5 $\beta$
C-4	H-5 $\beta$ ,3,18,19	$H-5\beta,2$
C-5	$H-6\alpha,20,18,19$	H-18,19,20
C-6	$H-5\beta$	H-7
C-7	$H-5\beta,6\alpha$	H-6
C-8	$H-9\beta$ , $13\alpha$ , $11\alpha$	H-9 $\beta$ ,5,7
C-9	H-11	H-20
C-10	H-20,5 $\beta$ ,9 $\beta$	H-11 $\alpha$ ,9 $\beta$
C-11	Η-13α	Η-9β
C-12	_	Η-9β
C-13	H-17a,17b	
C-14		_
C-15	H-14α,17a	H-14
C-16	H-13 $\alpha$ ,14 $\alpha$ ,17b	H-11α,12,14
C-17	_	_
C-18	H-5 $\beta$ ,19	Η-5β
C-19	$H-8,5\beta$	Η-5β
C-20	$H-9\beta,5\beta$	Η-9β
OAc(C=O)	H-Ac,6α	•

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doglutinosin A (1, 1.0 g) and isodoglutinosin B (2, 100 mg).

Isodoglutinosin A (1). Crystals; mp 144–146°;  $C_{22}H_{30}O_6$ , UV  $\lambda_{max}^{EtOH}$  nm (log ε): 231 (4.15); IR  $\nu_{max}^{KBr}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3550, 3460, 1745, 1725, 1720, 1641, 1370, 1283, 1260, and 1087; <sup>1</sup>H NMR data—see Table 1; <sup>13</sup>C NMR data—see Table 2; EIMS m/z: 390 [M]<sup>+</sup>, 373, 348, 330, 312, 297, 284, 259 and 231.

Isodoglutinosin B (2). Crystals; mp 144–146°; IR  $v_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3585, 3300, 1440, 1385, 1120 and 1020; <sup>1</sup>H NMR data—see Table 1; <sup>13</sup>C NMR data—see Table 2; EIMS m/z: 320 [M]<sup>+</sup>, 302, 287, 261, 243, 220, 203, 185 and 171.

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