

IRIDOID GLUCOSIDES FROM *BOUCHEA FLUMINENSIS*

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Abstract—From the aerial parts of *Bouchea fluminensis*, a new iridoid glucoside, named boucheoside, along with four known iridoid glucosides, lamiide, lamiidoside, durantose II, and duranterectoside C, were isolated. The structure of the new compound was elucidated based on the spectroscopic evidence. © 1998 Published by Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved

INTRODUCTION

Bouchea fluminensis (Vell.) Mold. [1] is an herbaceous plant, growing in Brazil and Bolivia. Infusions of the plant are used in traditional medicine for stimulating and regulating the digestive apparatus [2]. From the genus *Bouchea*, iridoid glucosides of the lamiide-type have been isolated [3,4]. A phytochemical study on *B. fluminensis* describes only the isolation of lamiide (1) [5]. Our phytochemical investigations on the aerial parts of *B. fluminensis* resulted in the isolation of 3-O- β -D-glucopyranosylsitosterol [6]. In a continuation of our studies, we isolated a new iridoid glucoside, which we have named boucheoside (2), together with the following known iridoid glucosides, lamiide (1) [7–9], durantose II (3) [9], lamiidoside (4) [10], and duranterectoside C (5) [11]. This paper deals with the isolation and structure elucidation of the new compound.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Boucheoside (2) was obtained as an amorphous powder and showed ion peaks at m/z 605 $[M + Na]^+$ and at 582 $[M]^+$ in its FAB mass spectrum, consistent with $C_{27}H_{34}O_{14}$. The 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of 2 (see experimental) showed a close similarity with those of durantose II (3) [9], except for the signals arising from the ester moiety. The 1H NMR spectra of 2 showed upfield shifts (0.82 and 0.53 ppm) for H-7'' and H-8'', respectively,

compared with those of 3 [9]. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum of 2 showed olefinic carbons signals at δ 117.8 and 145.0 (C-8'' and C-7'', respectively) instead of at δ 116.5 and 146.3 as in 3 [9]. These data, together with the coupling constant ($J_{7'',8''} = 13.0$ Hz) for the olefinic protons, clearly demonstrated that the *trans-p*-methoxycinnamoyl group in 3 was replaced by *cis-p*-methoxycinnamoyl group in the structure of boucheoside (2). This was confirmed by a comparison of the NMR data of 2 with those reported [11] for the duranterectoside C (5), which possesses a *cis-p*-coumaroyl group at C-7. Thus, boucheoside (2) was determined to be the 7-O-*cis-p*-methoxycinnamoyl ester of lamiide (1). The extensive use of 2D NMR methods (1H - 1H COSY, HMQC and HMBC), further confirmed the proposed structure for 2 and allowed unequivocal assignments of all 1H and ^{13}C chemical shifts.

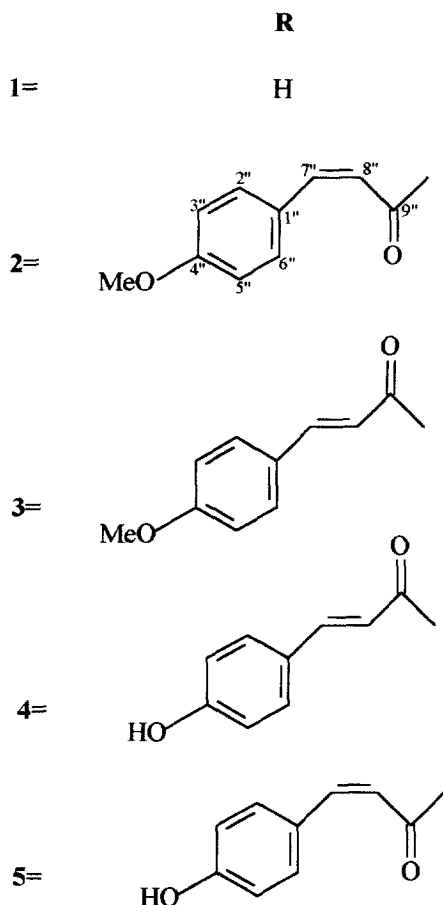
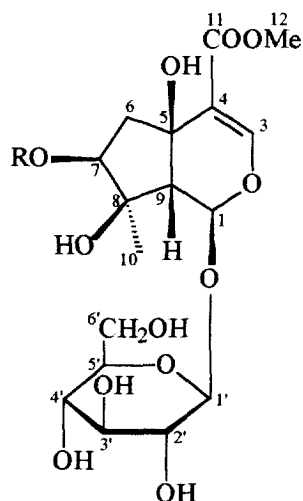
Iridoid glucosides 1 and 3–5 were identified by comparison of their spectral data with those reported for lamiide (1) [7,8], durantose II (3) [9], lamiidoside (4) [10], and duranterectoside C (5) [11]. As no details were found for the ^{13}C NMR data for lamiidoside (4), the ^{13}C NMR data for 4 are presented (Experimental) in this paper. The assignments of the signals were supported by 2D NMR experiments, such as 1H - 1H COSY and HMQC.

EXPERIMENTAL

General

IR: film NaCl plates; 1H (300 or 400 MHz) and ^{13}C (75.5 or 100 MHz) NMR: CD_3OD with TMS

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as int. standard; FABMS: glycerol as a matrix, positive ion mode; CC: silica gel 60 (230–400 mesh); TLC: silica gel plates F₂₅₄ (0.25 mm in thickness); prep. HPLC: (reverse phase C₁₈, 10 × 250 mm; solvent: MeOH-H₂O; flow rate, 2.0 or 1.5 ml min⁻¹, detection, 230 nm).

Plant material

The plant material used was collected in Horto Didático de Plantas Medicinais Professora Irenice Silva of the Universidade Estadual de Maringá, Paraná State, Brazil in November, 1994 and identified by Dra. Carmem Cristovam, Instituto de Botânica de Corrientes, Argentina. A voucher specimen (HUM 3321) is deposited in the Herbarium of the Biological Department, Universidade Estadual de Maringá.

Isolation

Air-dried and powdered aerial parts (0.6 kg) of *B. fluminensis* were extracted with 95% aq. EtOH (6 l) at room temperature. The combined EtOH extracts were concd *in vacuo* to give a residue (69.6 g). Part of this residue (10 g) was fractionated by CC on silica gel, eluted with *n*-hexane, CHCl₃, CHCl₃-EtOAc (1:1), EtOAc, EtOAc-MeOH (1:1), and

MeOH. The EtOAc-MeOH (1:1) fraction (5.4 g) was subjected to repeated CC on silica gel, eluted with EtOAc-MeOH mixts of increasing polarity to give lamiide (**1**) (230 mg) as an amorphous powder, and two fractions, fr. A (75.9 mg) and fr. B (154.4 mg).

An aliquot (40.0 mg) of fr. A was purified by repeated prep. HPLC (solvent: MeOH-H₂O 9:11; flow rate, 1.5 ml min⁻¹) to yield boucheoside (**2**) (4.1 mg) and durantoside II (**3**) (18.5 mg) as amorphous powders.

An aliquot (42.0 mg) of fr. B was sepd by repeated prep. HPLC (solvent: MeOH-H₂O, 9:11; flow rate, 2.0 ml min⁻¹) to give lamiidoside (**4**) (16.3 mg) and durantectoside C (**5**) (5.6 mg) as amorphous powders.

Boucheoside (**2**)

Amorphous powder. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{NaCl}}$ cm⁻¹: 3360, 1717, 1649, 1619, 1527, 1299, 1174, 1080 and 872; FABMS *m/z* (rel. int.): 605 [M + Na]⁺ (1), 582 [M]⁺ (1), 547 (5), 385 (6), 277 (8), 225 (8), 207 (50), 185 (100), 161 (73), 147 (2), 133 (14) and 115 (18); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 1.15 (3H, *s*, H-10), 2.36 (1H, *dd*, *J* = 16.1 and 1.6 Hz, H-6), 2.47 (1H, *dd*, *J* = 16.1 and 4.9 Hz, H-6), 2.88 (1H, *s*,

H-9), 3.19 (1H, *dd*, $J = 9.1$ and 7.8 Hz, H-2'), 3.26 (1H, *m*, H-4'), 3.30 (1H, *m*, H-5'), 3.37 (1H, *dd*, $J = 9.1$ and 8.2 Hz, H-3'), 3.65 (1H, *dd*, $J = 11.9$ and 6.0 Hz, H-6'), 3.72 (3H, *s*, H-12), 3.81 (3H, *s*, OCH₃), 3.88 (1H, *dd*, $J = 11.9$ and 2.0 Hz, H₁-6'), 4.61 (1H, *d*, $J = 7.8$ Hz, H-1'), 4.79 (1H, *dd*, $J = 4.9$ and 1.6 Hz, H-7), 5.82 (1H, *d*, $J = 0.6$ Hz, H-1), 5.94 (1H, *d*, $J = 13.0$ Hz, H-8"), 6.89 (2H, *d*, $J = 8.9$ Hz, H-3", H-5"), 6.92 (1H, *d*, $J = 13.0$ Hz, H-7"), 7.44 (1H, *s*, H-3), and 7.77 (2H, *d*, $J = 8.9$ Hz, H-2", H-6"); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 21.3 (C-10), 45.5 (C-6), 51.7 (C-12), 55.8 (OCH₃), 58.2 (C-9), 62.8 (C-6'), 69.0 (C-5), 71.7 (C-4'), 74.5 (C-2'), 77.5 (C-3'), 78.4 (C-5'), 78.7 (C-8), 80.3 (C-7), 94.0 (C-1), 99.6 (C-1'), 114.4 (C-3", 5"), 115.7 (C-4), 117.8 (C-8"), 128.7 (C-1'), 133.6 (C-2", 6"), 145.0 (C-7"), 152.2 (C-3), 162.1 (C-4"), 167.4 (C-9'), and 167.9 (C-11).

Lamiidoside (4)

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 21.3 (C-10), 45.5 (C-6), 51.7 (C-12), 58.4 (C-9), 62.8 (C-6'), 69.0 (C-5), 71.7 (C-4'), 74.5 (C-2'), 77.5 (C-3'), 78.4 (C-5'), 80.5 (C-7), 94.1 (C-1), 99.6 (C-1'), 115.5 (C-8'), 115.6 (C-4), 116.8 (C-3", 5"), 127.3 (C-1"), 131.2 (C-2', 6"), 146.7 (C-7"), 152.2 (C-3), 161.3 (C-4"), 167.9 (C-11), and 168.7 (C-9").

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