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Insect antifeedant activity of clerodane diterpenes and related model compounds

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Abstract

A comprehensive compilation of all test results on the insect antifeedant activity of clerodane diterpenes and related model compounds is reported. To increase the compatibility of data from different sources, some of the results reported in the literature have been converted into a standardized form. The compounds were sorted into groups according to the different types of sidechain attached to C-9. Despite the wealth of information, collected in 15 tables, it remains difficult to assign importance to separate structural elements in relation to the observed antifeedant activity. A detailed analysis of the structure–activity relationships could not be presented, but some interesting trends can be distinguished based on the structures of the strongest antifeedants. The compilation covers the literature up to December 2001.

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1. Introduction

Clerodane diterpenes have attracted considerable attention as a rich source of natural insect antifeedants. In general, insect antifeedants can offer properties that are highly desirable in environmentally friendly crop protection agents (van Beek and de Groot, 1986; Jermy, 1990). Significant activity is sometimes displayed at low concentrations and this may be directed specifically against a narrow group of insect pests, leaving benificial insects and other species unharmed. The possibility of insect species easily aquiring heritable resistance against antifeedants is considered unlikely (Schoonhoven, 1982; Jermy, 1990). Being compounds of natural origin, no problems with persistence in the environment are anticipated.

The use of insect-resistant plants has a long history. Leaves and fruits of the tropical Neem tree (Azadirachta indica) have been in use in India and Sri Lanka for centuries to protect books, clothes and stored foods from insect damage (Adhikari, 1980). Scientific interest in the application of antifeedants in insect control can be traced back to the late 1920s (Ruskin, 1992), but it was not until three decades later that the unique properties of antifeedants were truly recognized (Jermy, 1958) and renewed interest in their application arose. Since then thousands of plant species have been screened for the presence of antifeedant metabolites (Jacobsen, 1990; Simmonds and Blaney, 1992), yielding a bewildering array of natural insect antifeedants from diverse chemical classes (Chapman, 1974). Practical application of antifeedants is still limited and only few natural (mainly Neem extracts) or synthetic (Kristinsson, 1994; Fuog et al., 1998) insect antifeedants are commercially available.

In addition to the search for antifeedants from natural sources, preparation of insect antifeedants through (semi)synthetic routes has been considered. The total synthesis of natural antifeedants (de Groot and van Beek, 1987; Tokoroyama, 2000) usually is too complex and expensive for such approaches to be of much practical value. Simplified model compounds in some cases were shown to have retained considerable levels of activity (Ley et al., 1987; Bentley et al., 1990; Blaney et al., 1994a,b; Fernandez et al., 1998) and could constitute a more promising approach towards practical insect control agents. Alternatively, antifeedants of high structural complexity might be prepared (chemically or otherwise) from abundantly available natural products that are not or only weakly active.

Investigations into the structural elements that evoke insect antifeedant may contribute to such strategies to be successful. Diterpenoid insect antifeedants possessing a clerodane carbon skeleton 1 constitute an attractive starting point for such investigations, due to the extensive literature available and the structural diversity of

the compounds reported active. To our knowledge, only a few papers reviewing parts of this literature have been published (Munakata, 1975; van Beek and de Groot, 1986; Camps and Coll, 1993). We therefore deemed it useful to establish a comprehensive compilation of all test results on insect antifeedant activity of clerodane diterpenes and related model compounds reported to date.

2. Structure, occurrence and bioactivity

The name, carbon skeleton and absolute stereochemistry of the natural insect antifeedant clerodin (2) form the basis for the classification of a large group of related *neo*-clerodane diterpenes. The prefix '*neo*' originates from a reversal of the initially assigned clerodane stereochemistry and indicates an absolute configuration similar to clerodin at all chiral centers of the carbon skeleton; clerodane diterpenes with the opposite absolute stereochemistry are to be called *ent-neo*-clerodanes (Rogers et al., 1979).

Clerodane-type secondary metabolites have been found in several hundreds of plant species from various families and in organisms from other taxonomic groups, such as fungi, bacteria and marine sponges (Merrit and Ley, 1992; Rodríguez-Hahn et al., 1994; Piozzi, 1994; Piozzi et al., 1998; Hanson, 1994–1999). Especially various genera from the plant families Labiatae and Verbenaceae have been identified as rich sources of antifeeding clerodanes, with species of the genus *Scutellaria* (Labiatae) producing some of the most potent clerodane antifeedants known so far (Anderson et al., 1989; Muñoz et al., 1997; Bruno et al., 1999a,b).

The physiological role of clerodane secondary metabolites in the plant species from which they are isolated is usually unknown and for many a direct function in the plants' physiology may not exist. Nevertheless, the ability to synthesise such metabolites can be of benefit to plants. Several plant species produce clerodane diterpenes that influence the growth of other plant species (Huneck and Schreiber, 1972; Rojas-Garciduenas

and Dominguez, 1976; Huneck et al., 1983; Siddiqui et al., 1992; Aoki et al., 1997; Vaccarini et al., 1999). Phytogrowth regulating activity may be one of the factors that determine the structure of plant communities (Vaccarini et al., 1999) and plant species able to exert such effects could thereby gain an advantage over competitors.

Clerodane secondary metabolites may also benefit a plant species by acting as a chemical defence mechanism against phytophagous animals or diseases. Apart from insect antifeedant properties, several clerodane diterpenes display other biological activity against insects. Insecticidal activity has been reported for the ajugarins I (73) (Kubo and Nakanishi, 1979) and IV (98) (Kubo et al., 1982). Ajugarin IV also displays insect growth regulating activity (Kubo et al., 1982), as do 3-epi-caryoptin (167) (Pereira and Gurudutt, 1990) and the 19-nor-clerodanes cis- and trans-dehydrocrotonin (Kubo et al., 1991). Fungicidal activity against plant pathogenic fungi has been reported for clerodin (2) and the related jodrellins A and B (199, 200) (Cole et al., 1991).

3. Insect antifeedant activity

Clerodane diterpenes are best-known for their insect antifeeding properties, which is by far the most extensively studied bioactivity of these diterpenes. To date, over 300 natural and semi-synthetic clerodanes have been examined in laboratory assays, yielding several compounds with potent antifeedant activity against

various insect species. To our knowledge, no experiments with clerodane antifeedants under actual field conditions have been reported.

An array of different bioassays have been used to study the antifeedant activity of the clerodanes. Because of the different formulas and units used to define and quantify essential parameters, such as the amount of compound applied and the degree of antifeedant activity found, the comparison of data for structure–activity relationships is often difficult. To increase the compatibility of data from different sources, we have attempted to convert some of the results reported in the literature into a standardized form.

3.1. Compounds

The review is resticted to diterpenes of natural or semi-synthetic origin with a clerodane carbon skeleton 1 and closely related derivatives thereof. Model compounds reflecting various substructures present in these diterpenes were also included. The compounds were sorted into groups according to the different types of sidechain attached to C-9 (Fig. 1). Unless otherwise indicated, the diterpenes possess the *neo*-clerodane absolute stereochemistry. The compilation covers the literature up to December 2001.

3.2. Insect species

The acceptance by a phytophagous insect of a plant species as a suitable host depends on the capability of

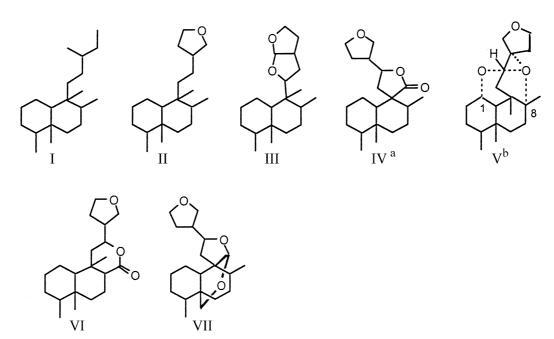


Fig. 1. Scheme of the different clerodane types in the compilation. ^aIncluding some 19-nor-clerodanes with a similar sidechain. ^bDashed bonds in type V represent an ether linkage to C-1 or C-8.

the insect's chemosensory system to detect plant tissues with favourable levels of feeding stimulants and feeding deterrents (Schoonhoven, 1982; Bernays and Chapman, 1994, 2000). Since insect species usually differ in the range of plant species they accept as their hosts, a compound cannot a priori be expected to display similar antifeedant activity against different insect species. Also, structural changes in an antifeedant molecule may affect the activity in different manners for different species (Blaney et al., 1987, 1990). In the compilation, the data were therefore grouped according to the different test insect species used; species were sorted by insect order. When available, the developmental stage of the insect was included. Other potential differences among test populations have not been addressed due to lack of data.

3.3. Test substrate and protocol

Comparing data from different sources can be complicated by differences in the feeding bioassays used. Due to the sensitivity of insects to the chemical composition of their food, the activity of an antifeedant on a particular insect species may change when presented on a different feeding substrate. Bioassays in a dual-choice or a no-choice situation provide different types of information and may not always be directly compared. The effects of other variations in assay protocols (test duration, number of substrate discs and individual insects present in the test arena, well-fed insects or insects deprived of food, etc.) are not easy to evaluate but cannot be discarded a priori. When comparing data from different sources, one should therefore be mindful of effects due to differences other than the compounds tested. In Tables 1-15 the antifeedant activity was therefore combined with information on the corresponding bioassay. This information is provided in the form of a code, e.g. A1, referring to Table 16 in which details of the various assays are summarised. The capital 'A' signifies that an artificial substrate was used, while 'N' denotes natural substrates.

3.4. Test compound concentration

The concentration of the test solution *in ppm* was chosen to quantify the amount of test compound, as most literature data also use this quantity. A standard substrate surface area of 3.46 cm² and a standard test solution volume of 100 μ l were chosen to correct for variations in the actual concentration of test compound that the insects encountered due to differences among test protocols. Literature data reported in quantities differing from this system were recalculated accordingly as far as possible.

It is important to realise that this system not always accurately reflects the potency of a test compound, since

the molecular weight (and thus the number of molecules present) of the compound is not taken into account. Note also that in some test protocols the substrate is dipped into a test solution, instead of being treated with a specific volume. In such experiments the actual amount of compound present on the substrate is usually unknown.

3.5. Antifeedant activity

Different systems are in use to quantify insect antifeedant activity. In the compilation the reported activities were as much as possible converted to a standard index of antifeedant activity. For activities obtained from two-choice feeding assays, the dual-choice Antifeedant Index (AI_{dc}) according to Eq. (1) was chosen as the standard system. This system covers a major part of the published literature and can relatively easy be calculated from data reported in a different format. A similar no-choice Antifeedant Index (AI_{nc}), defined by Eq. (2), was used for antifeedant activity data determined in a no-choice situation.

Dual-choice:
$$AI_{dc} = [(C - T)/(C + T)]$$
 (1)

No-choice:
$$AI_{nc} = [(C - T)/C]$$
 (2)

C and T are the amounts eaten from control and treatment substrates, respectively.

The antifeedant activity data in this review originate from assays that record the amount of substrate eaten over a period of time. Such experiments cannot easily discriminate between different mechanisms resulting in reduced feeding, such as sensory deterrency or toxicity, unless other assay designs (Ortgo et al., 1995) are used. The data also give no indication of which (types of) targets are involved in the antifeedant activity of a test compound. For most of the clerodane antifeedants, details on the mode of action and on the cellular or molecular targets are not available.

4. Compilation of clerodane insect antifeedants

Figs. 2–10 present a compilation of clerodane insect antifeedants. The clerodane diterpenes were ordered according to the scheme in Fig. 1. Underlined compound numbers refer to compounds of (semi)synthetic origin. Abbreviations used:

d:	double bond
s:	single bond
Fur:	3-furyl
FurH ₄ :	3-tetrahydrofuryl
Hmb:	2-hydroxy-3-methylene-butyryl (3)
Tig:	tigloyl (4)

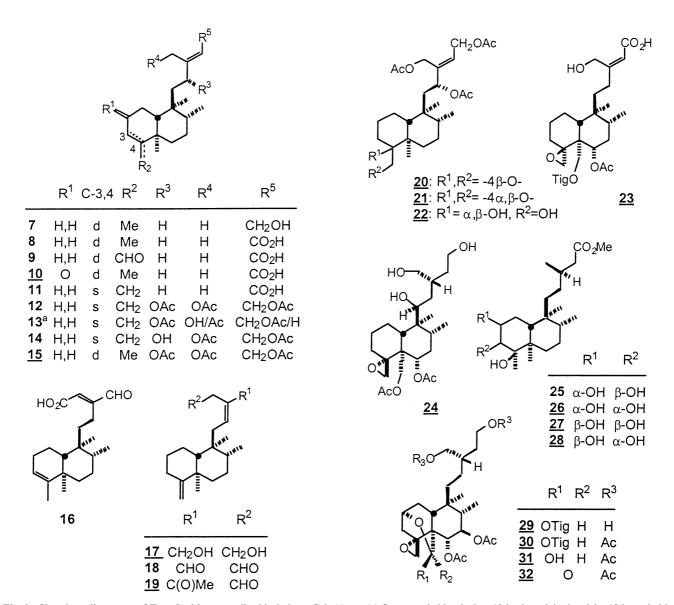


Fig. 2. Clerodane diterpenes of Type I with an acyclic sidechain at C-9. Notes: (a) Structure is identical to 12 in the original article; 13 is probably the mono-hydrolyzed form of 12 with C-15 OH or C-16 OH, as described in Gordaliza et al. (1994). Compound names: (7) kolavenol.

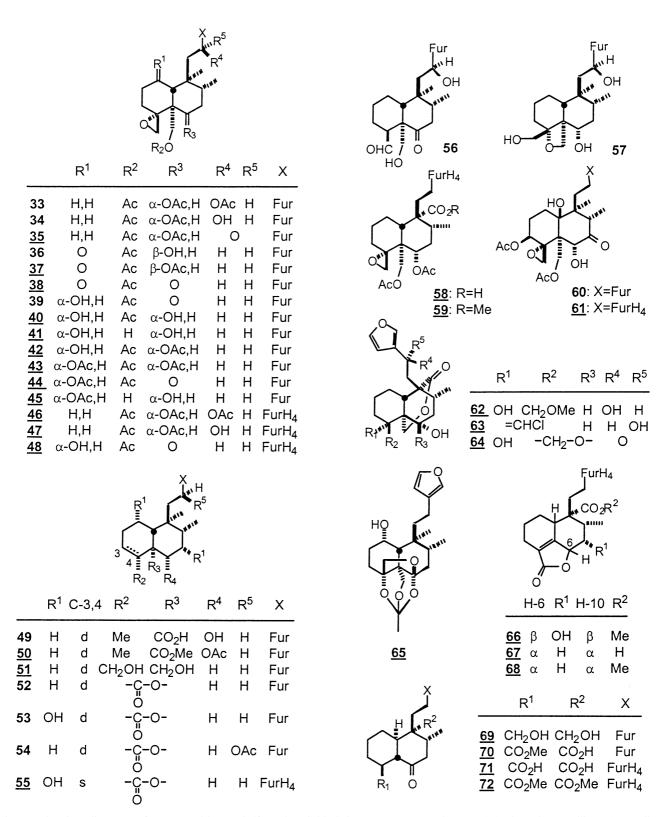


Fig. 3a. Clerodane diterpenes of Type IIa with a 2-ethylfuran-based sidechain at C-9. Compound names: (33) triacetylteumassilin; (34) 6,19-diacetylteumassilin; (36) isofruticolone; (39) fruticolone; (49) kerlinic acid; (52) hawtriwa lactone; (53) bacrispine; (54) tanabalin; (55) hexahydrobacrispine; (56) teumassilenin A; (57) teumassilenin C; (60) teucrolivin B; (64) 12-keto-teugnaphalodin.

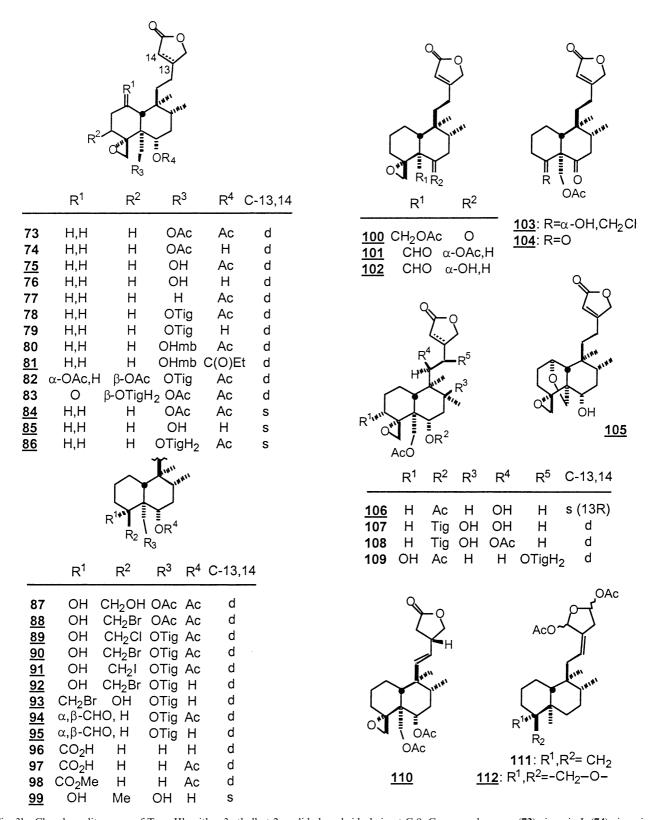


Fig. 3b. Clerodane diterpenes of Type IIb with a 3-ethylbut-2-enolide-based sidechain at C-9. Compound names: (73) ajugarin I; (74) ajugarin II; (76) deacetylajugarin II; (77) ajugarin V; (78) ajugacumbin A; (79) ajugacumbin B; (80) ajugacumbin G (Chen et al., 1995); (82) ajugacumbin C; (83) ajugareptansone A; (87) ajugarin III; (98) ajugarin IV; (107) scutalpin C; (108) scutalpin B; (109) 3a-hydroxyajugamarin F4; (113) melisodoric acid; (120) semiatrin; (121) kerlinolide.

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Fig. 3c. Clerodane diterpenes of Type IIc with a 2-ethylbut-2-enolide-based sidechain at C-9. Compound names: (134) salvimadrensin; (135) scutegalin B; (136) salvimadrensinone.

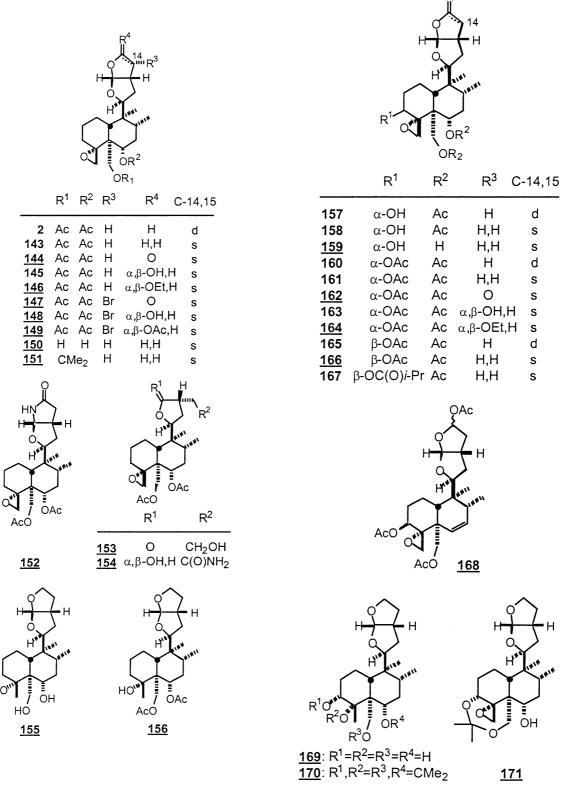


Fig. 4. Clerodane diterpenes of Type III with a furo[2,3b]furan-based sidechain at C-9. Compound names: (2) clerodin; (143) dihydroclerodin; (145) clerodin hemiacetal; (157) caryoptinol; (158) dihydrocaryoptinol; (160) caryoptin; (161) dihydrocaryoptin; (163) caryoptin hemiacetal; (165) 3-epicaryoptin; (167) ivain II; (172) 14,15-dehydroajugareptansin; (173) 3β-hydroxyajugavensin B; (174) ajugareptansin; (176) ivain I; (177) hativene C; (178) ivain III; (179) ivain IV; (180) 2-acetylivain I; (182) ajugapitin; (183) 14,15-dihydro-ajugapitin; (185) 14-hydro-15-hydroxyajugapitin; (186) lupulin A; (187) 15-ethoxy-14-hydroajugapitin; (188) hativene A; (189) hativene B; (190) clerodendrin B; (191) clerodendrin A; (199) jodrellin A; (200) jodrellin B; (201) scutalbin A; (202) scutecyprol A; (203) scutalsin; (204) scutecyprol B; (205) scutalbin C; (206) 14,15-dihydrojodrellin T; (207) scutegalin A.

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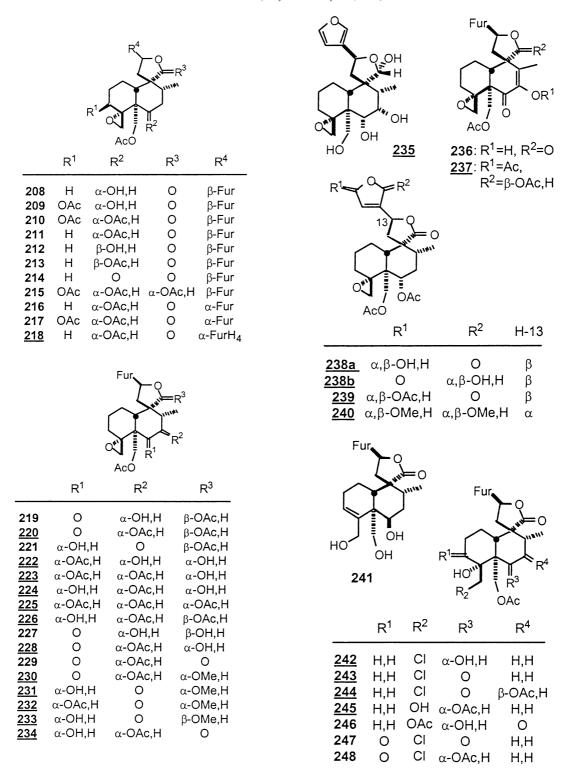


Fig. 5. Clerodane diterpenes of Type IV with an a-spiro-attached 4-(3-furyl)-g-butyrolactone-based sidechain at C-9. Notes: (‡) 19-nor-clerodane. (†) ent-neo-clerodane. Compound names: (208) teucjaponin B; (209) teumicropodin; (210) 12-epiteupyreinin; (211) 6-acetylteucjaponin B; (212) teucjaponin A; (214) 19-acetylgnaphalin; (215) teupyreinidin; (216) montanin C; (217) teupyreinin; (219) eriocephalin; (220) 7-O-acetyleriocephalin; (221) isoeriocephalin; (227) 20-deacetyleriocephalin; (229) capitatin; (236) picropolinone; (241) 19-deacetylteuscorodol; (246) picropolinol; (247) tafricanin A; (248) tafricanin B; (256) montanin D; (257) teucroxide; (260) teuflavoside; (261) dihydroteugin; (262) chamaedroxide; (263) 6b-hydroxyteuscordin; (264) teuscordinon; (265) teugin; (266) isoteuflidin; (267) teuscorolide; (268) teucvin; (269) teucrin A; (272) 12-epiteucvin; (273) teuflin; (274) teucvidin; (275) teuflidin; (284) bartemidiolide; (285) deoxybartemidiolide.

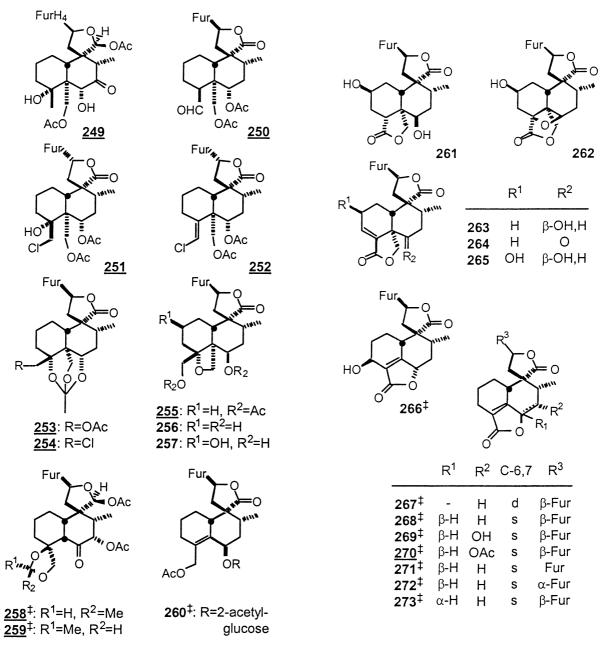


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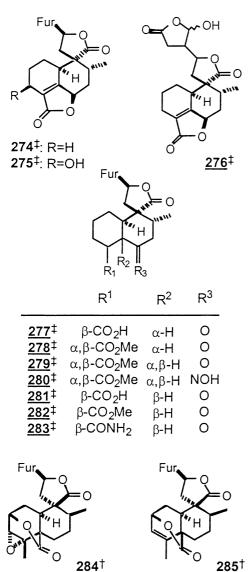


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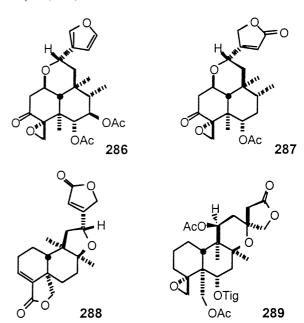


Fig. 6. Clerodane diterpenes of Type V with an 3-ethylfuran or 3-ethylbutenolide-based C-9 sidechain, containing a C-1,12, C-8,12 or C-8,13 ether-type linkage to the decalin fragment. Compound names: (286) cornutin A; (287) cornutin B; (288) kerlin; (289) scutalpin D.

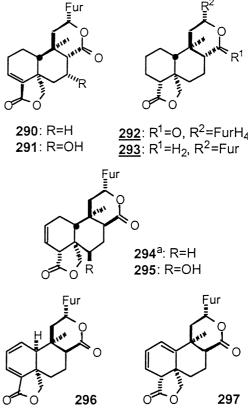


Fig. 7. Clerodane diterpenes of Type VI, incorporating a C-9 sidechain based on a 5-(3-furyl)- δ -valerolactone with its C- α , β -bond fused with the C-8,9-bond of the decalin fragment. Notes: (a) Tested clerodane **294** was salviarin and not the C-8 epimer depicted in the original articles (C.E. Tonn, pers. commun.). Compound names: **(290)** bacchotricuneatin A; **(291)** 7α -hydroxybacchotricuneatin A; **(294)** salviarin; **(295)** 6β -hydroxysalviarin; **(296)** linearolactone; **(297)** 1(10)-dehydrosalviarin.

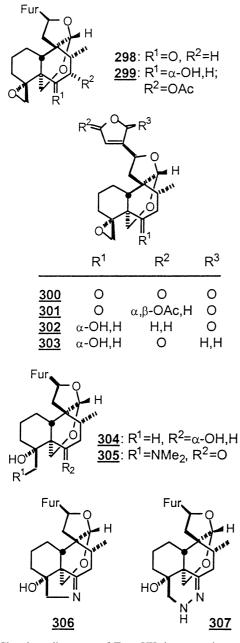


Fig. 8. Clerodane diterpenes of Type VII, incorporating a C-9 sidechain based on an α -spiro-attached 4-(3-furyl)- γ -butyrolactone moiety, connected to C-19 through a C-19,20 ether-linkage. Compound names: (298) teucrin P1.

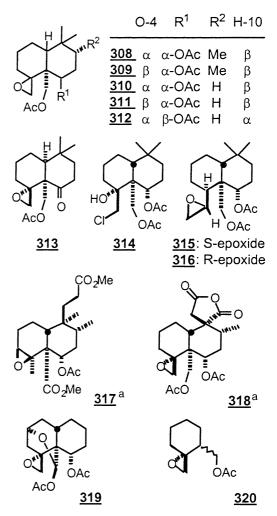


Fig. 9. Synthetic and semisynthetic analogs of the decalin-fragment of clerodane diterpenes. All compounds are racemic and were obtained via total synthesis, unless indicated otherwise. ^aCompound was obtained by derivatization of a natural compound and is therefore presumed to be homochiral.

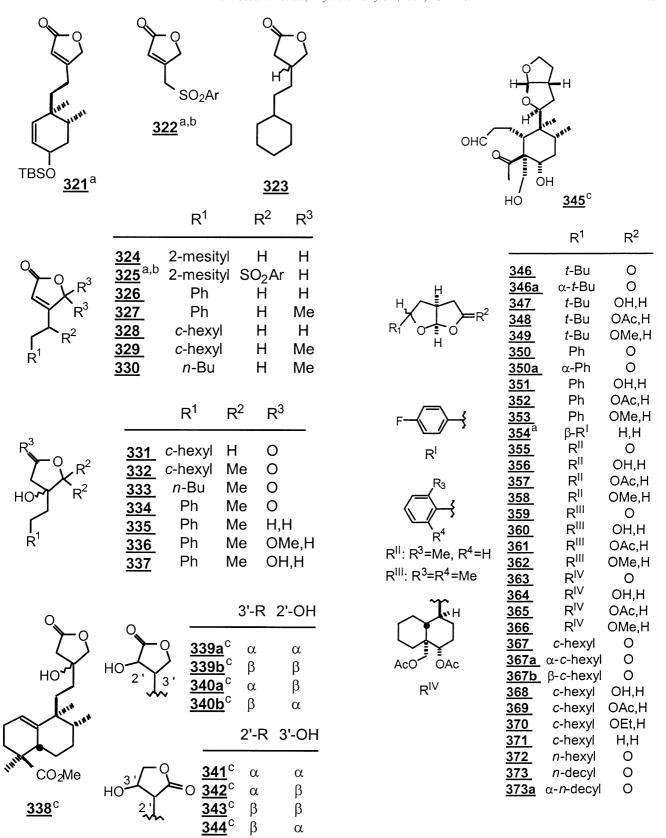


Fig. 10. Synthetic and semisynthetic analogs of the C-9 sidechain-fragment of clerodane diterpenes. Compounds are racemic and were obtained via total synthesis, unless indicated otherwise. ^aSynthesis not published. ^bAr not specified. ^cSemisynthetic compound, presumably homochiral.

$$R^1$$
 R^2 R^3 $C-2,3$
 $\frac{374}{375}$ $\frac{n-\text{hexyl}}{P}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{$

Fig. 10. (continued)

In the tables' values printed in italics are derived or recalculated from the reported literature values. Abbreviations used:

Conc.: The concentration in ppm of a solution of the test compound, applied as a standard volume of $100 \, \mu l$ on a feeding substrate with a standard surface area of $3.46 \, cm^2$. When necessary, literature values were recalculated to correspond to these standards. Values that deviate from these standards and could not be recalculated are placed in the tables inserted in brackets.

AI_{dc}: Mean dual-choice Antifeedant Index, AI_{dc} = [(C-T)/(C+T)], in which C and T are the amounts consumed from the control and treatment substrates, respectively; s.e.m. = standard error of the mean. A positive sign denotes an

antifeedant, while a negative value is associated with feeding stimulants.

AI_{nc}: Mean no-choice Antifeedant Index, AI_{nc} = [(C-T)/C].

AI₅₀: The concentration required to give an estimated AI of 50%.

Assay: N = natural feeding substrate; A = artificial substrate. The code refers to a brief summary of the original assay conditions presented in Table 16; for full details see the cited literature. When necessary for inclusion in the tables, data from these original procedures was used to recalculate test concentrations or antifeedant activity to conform to the standards described above.

Ref. Literature references to the originally reported data. 1. Blaney et al., 1988; 2. Anderson et al., 1989; 3. Cole et al., 1990; 4. Gonzàlez-Coloma et al., 2000; 5. Urones et al., 1995; 6. Rodriguez et al., 1999; 7. Simmonds et al., 1989; 8. Bruno et al., 1999b; 9. Simmonds et al., 1996; 10. Rodriguez et al., 1994; 11. Malakov et al., 1994; 12. Kubo et al., 1976; 13. Belles et al., 1985; 14. Muñoz et al., 1997; 15. Bremner et al., 1998; 16. Rodriguez et al., 1993; 17. Ben Jannet et al., 2000; 18. Bondi et al., 2000; 19. Blaney et al., 1994b; 20. Bruno et al., 2002b; 21. Bruno et al., 1999a; 22. de la Torre et al., 1994; 23. Bruno et al., 2002a; 24. Marcos et al., 2000; 25. Blaney et al., 1990; 26. Luteijn, 1982; 27. Geuskens et al., 1983; 28. Jackson and Ley, 1981; 29. Bruno et al., 2000; 30. Kubo and Nakanishi, 1979; 31. Kubo and Nakanishi, 1977; 32. Caballero et al., 2001; 33. Kato et al., 1972; 34. Hosozawa et al., 1974a; 35. Hosozawa et al., 1974b; 36. Munakata, 1977; 37. Miyase et al., 1981; 38. Kojima and Kato, 1981a; 39. Kojima and Kato, 1981b; 40. Messchendorp, 1998; 41. klein Gebbinck et al., 1999a; 42. klein Gebbinck et al., 1999b; 43. Xu et al., 1998; 44. Pickett et al., 1987; 45. Griffiths et al., 1988; 46. Min et al., 1989; 47. Kubo et al., 1996; 48. Chen et al., 1996; 49. Phadnis et al., 1988; 50. Enriz et al., 2000; 51. Sosa et al., 1994; 52. Enriz et al., 1994; 53. Luco et al., 1994; 54. Gallardo et al., 1996; 55. López-Olguín et al., 1999; 56. Ortego et al., 1995; 57. Govindachari et al., 1999; 58. Esquivel et al., 1995; 59. Lev et al., 1982; 60. Hanson et al., 1982; 61. Pereira and Gurudutt, 1990; 62. Hubert and Wiemer, 1985; 63. Howard et al., 1988; 64. Chen et al., 1992; 65. Lajide et al., 1995; 66. Kubo et al., 1983; 67. Kubo et al., 1982; 68. Esquivel et al., 1985; 69. Ladjel et al., 1994.

Table 1a
Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the Egyptian cotton leafworm (Lepidoptera: *Spodoptera littoralis*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.		Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.
1	100	74.4 (8.4) *		A1	1–3	111	1730	5.9 (3.9)		N1	4
5	50	59 (6.2) *		A1	3	112	1730	58.6 (19.8)		N1	4
2	25	24 (9.8) *			2, 3	114	100	-11 (9.8)	> 1000	A1	9
1		14 (19.6)			2	116	100	73 (5.2) *		A1	9
	1730	11.4 (4.8) ^a		N1	4	118	100	32 (14.5) *	139	A1	9
	1730	10.1 (3.1) ^a		N1	4	119	100	26 (6.8) *	294	A1	9
	1730	27.0 (9.3) ^a		N1	4	120	100	57 (6.7) *	87	A1	9
	1730	16.3 (6.6) ^a		N1	4	121	100	70 (10.3) *	67	A1	9
	1730	13.2 (4.5)a		N1	4	122	100	17.2 (9.9)		A1	6
	1730	7.9 (3.7) ^a		N1	4	123	100	-10.0 (8.5)		A1	6
	1730	9.8 (3.8) ^a		N1	4	124	100	29 (5.3) *	192	A1	9
	1730	19.5 (12.3) ^a		N1	4	125	100	6 (2.5)	> 1000	A1	9
	100	21.4 (4.8)		A1	1	126	100	34 (4.6) *	142	A1	9
	37	52.0 (6.8)		A1	5	127	100	54 (15.4) *	122	A1	9
	3.7	10 (3.6)			_	128	100	83 (8.3) *	84	A1	9
	37	-62 (16)		A1	5	129	100	-15 (11.1)	> 1000	A1	9
	3.7	-54 (1.3)			_	130	100	27 (10.2) *	194	A1	9
	37	36 (9.7)		A1	5	131	100	20 (4.5)	254	A1	9
	3.7	1 (14)			_	132	100	3 (7.1)	> 100	A1	9
	37	33 (7.6)		A1	5	133	100	21 (13.9)		A1	16
	3.7	-12 (28)				134	100	29.3 (15.2)		A1	6
	100	18.8 (19.3)		A1	6	135	100	-27.0 (12.0)		A1	16
	100	-0.4 (5.0)		A1	6	136	100	36.5 (9.9) *		A1	6
	100	-38.8 (10.1)		A1	6	137	100	18.6 (7.9)		A1	6
	100	-27.4 (7.1)		A1	6	138	100	37.5 (6.0) *		A1	6
	100	32.2 (22.2)		A1	1,7	139	100	-29.5 (7.8)		A1	6
	10	21.7 (15.9)			7	140	100	67.0 (5.5) *		A1	6
	100	53 (12.6) *		A1	8	141	100	34.0 (16.3)		A1	6
	100	-27 (9.3)		A1	8	142	100	44.1 (10.4) *		A1	6
	100	53 (5.3) *		A1	8	143	100	95.2 (16.6)		A1	1
	100	29 (7.4)		A1	8	144	100	49.2 (9.6)		A1	1
	100	49 (16.1)		A1	8	145	100	69.4 (13.3)		A1	1
	100	16 (13.8)		A1	8	147	100	69.7 (18.3)		A1	1
	100	60 (9.8) *		A1	8	148	100	82.2 (12.1)		A1	1
	100	14 (11.7)		A1	8	149	100	39.1 (11.6)		A1	1
	100	-5 (5.2)		A1	8	152	100	14.5 (6.1)		A1	1
	100	27 (8.5)	100	A1	8	153	100	24.8 (7.8)		A1	1
	100	-1 (12.8)	> 100	A1	9 9	154	100	82.8 (13.7)		A1	1
	100	-8 (10.2) -51.2 (7.9) *	> 1000	A1		156	100	35.0 (13.6) 75.4 ^d		A1	1
	100 100	()		A1 A1	10 11	167	35 3.5	60.0 ^d		N3	13
		-8.1 (0.5)		AI	11		3.5				
	10	-23.0 (9.9)		A 1	7	172	0.4	19.8 ^d 92 (5.5)*		A 1	15
	100	9.6 (11.4)		A1	7	172	100	\ /		A1	15
	10 100	9.4 (10.6) 12 (5.6)		Λ1	8	173	25 100	60 (15.9)* 0.3 (30.1)		A 1	15
	(300)	12 (5.6) 100°		A1 N2	8 12	173 174	346	0.3 (30.1) 66.7 ^d		N3	13
	(300) 100			A1	1, 3, 7, 1 1	1/4	100	-41 (19.6)		A1	15
	50	43.1 (7.3) * 40 (11.3) *		AI	3		35	-41 (19.6) 25.0 ^d		N3	13
	50 25	40 (11.3) * 26 (14.8)			3	175	33 865 ^e	25.0° 19.8 ^d		N3 N3	13
	23 10	26 (14.8) 34.5 (7.0) *			7	176	35	60.0 ^d		N3	13
1	10	36.8 (8.5) *			11	1/0	3.5	60.0° 14.9 ^d		IND	13
1	100	29.6 (9.0) *		A1	7	177	100	100 (2.7)		Α1	17
	100	29.6 (9.0) * 17.9 (9.7)		AI	/	1//	100	100 (2.7)		A1	1 /
	365	17.9 (9.7) 14.9 ^d		N3	13		10				
		14.9 ^d -7.0 ^d		IND	13			63.3 (9.2)			
	3 <i>46</i> 100			A1	1	178	0.1	42.7 (8.3) 46.0 ^d		N3	12
		48.8 (8.8)			1	1/8	35 3.5	46.0 ^d 17.0 ^d		IND	13
	100 100	96.8 (1.2)		A1	14 14	179	3.5 100	76 (4.4)**		Α1	18
	100	26.9 (11.0) -32 (13.9)		A1 A1	14	1/9	100	78.6 ^d		A1 N3	
1	100	-32 (13.9) 24.8 (5.8)		A1 A1	13		35 3.5	78.6 ^d		113	13

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Table 1a. (continued)

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.	_	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.
80	35	78.6 ^d		N3	13		10	7.4 (10.4)			
	3.5	32.5 ^d				214	100	23.7 (7.0)		A1	7, 10
1	865	28.2 ^d		N3	13			14.3 (9.2)			1
	346	35.0 ^d					10	21.9 (18.0)			7
2	35	92.3 ^d		N3	13	216	100	6.5 (7.9)		A1	7
	3.5	61.3 ^d						9.4 (8.5)			11
	0.4	41.8 ^d					10	7.5 (10.0)			7
	0.04	14.9 ^d						10.1 (8.3)			11
3	100	100 (3.4)		A1	17	217	100	14.8 (7.0)		A1	7
	100	48 (5.7)**		Al	18		10	12.6 (12.3)			
	35	$80.2^{\rm d}$		N3	13	219	100	48.9 (6.0) *		A1	7
	10	100 (6.1)		A1	17			5.5 (9.0)	> 1000		22
	3.5	63.9 ^d		N3	13		10	40.9 (9.8) *			7
	1	92.6 (16.2)		A1	17	220	100	19.9 (12.9)		A 1	7
	0.4	51.5 ^d		N3	13		10	18.5 (10.6)			
	0.1	65.9 (3.8)		A1	17	221	100	38.9 (17.0)		A 1	7
	0.04	$37.0^{\rm d}$		N3	13		10	33.1 (10.6)			
34	35	88.7 ^d		N3	13	222	100	54.0 (9.7) *	39	A 1	22
	3.5	31.6 ^d				223	100	-14.3(12.2)	> 1000	A 1	22
	0.4	23.5 ^d				224	100	5.4 (9.3)	> 1000	A1	22
35	35	53.8 ^d		N3	13	225	100	26.7 (11.2)	> 1000	A1	22
	3.5	$46.0^{\rm d}$				226	100	-21.1 (13.9)	> 1000	A1	22
86	100	100 (11.5)		A1	17	235	100	30.4 (14.0) *	300	A1	22
	10	100 (12.1)				238 e	100	-21.8 (10.4)		A1	11
	1	74.5 (14.5)					10	17.8 (12.5)			
	0.1	45.0 (5.1)				239	100	23.7 (13.9)		A1	11
37	346	80.2 ^d		N3	13	20)	10	12.5 (21.5)		7.11	
,	35	43.9 ^d		113	13	241	100	-54.5 (14.9)		A1	23
88	100	100 (7.2)		A1	17	242	100	8.8 (11.0)		A1	10
90	100	100 (7.2)		А	1 /	243	100	21.0 (12.5) *		A1	10
	10	63.3 (10.2)				246	100	2.3 (13.5) *		A1	10
	0.1	, ,								A1	11
39	100	37.3 (6.2)		A 1	17	251	100 10	-1.2 (5.0)		AI	11
39		100 (5.1)		AI	17	252		-12.1 (9.2)		A 1	11
	10	100 (5.3)				252	100	-21.5 (9.7)		A1	11
	1	69.0 (13.3)				252	10	-31.5 (12.9)		A 1	10
20	0.1	41.2 (5.7)		4.1	2 2 16 10	253	100	-22.3 (9.0)		A1	10
99	100	92 (7.6)*		A1	2, 3, 16, 19	254	100	-30.6 (9.8) *		A1	10
	5 0	92 (3.2)*			20	255	100	34.6 (12.7) *		A1	23
	50	100 (0.0) *			3	256	100	82.1 (7.3) **		A1	23
	25	53 (13.3) *			2,3	257	100	14.8 (7.0)		A1	7
	10	53 (13.3) *			19		10	16.6 (7.4)	• • • •		
	1	43 (15.9) *			2, 19	258	100	34.1 (13.7) *	390	A1	22
00	100	100 (0.0) *		A1	2, 3, 16, 20	259	100	-5.4 (12.0)	> 1000	A1	22
	50	100 (0.0) *			3	260	100	-9.8 (23.9)		A1	7
	25	83 (10.3) *			2,3		10	-2.6(16.9)			
	1	54 (14.4)			2	261	100	-9.9 (13.9)		A1	7
)1	100	65 (8.6)*		A1	20			-1.2 (9.3)			23
)2	100	20 (6.4)		A1	20	_	10	-18.6 (17.5)			7
)3	100	15 (6.3)		Al	20	262	100	31.8 (11.9)		A1	7
4	100	100 (0.0) *		A1	20, 21		10	25.6 (13.5)			
5	100	32 (13.7)		A1	21	263	100	73.1 (15.6) **		A1	23
6	100	63 (7.8)*		A1	3, 16	264	100	55.7 (18.5) *		A1	23
	50	59 (4.2)*			3	265	100	11.1 (15.9)		A1	23
	25	44 (4.5)*				266	100	11.0 (21.6)		A1	23
7	100	41 (18.6) *		A1	16	268	100	52.2 (15.7) *		A1	23
8	100	48.9 (5.98) *		A1	7, 10	269	100	9.8 (11.9)		A1	7
	10	43.0 (7.64) *					10	8.7 (15.9)			
2	100	12.9 (7.67)		A1	7, 10	272	100	49.9 (3.9) *		A1	7
	10	7.5 (7.0)					10	45.4 (9.6) *			
								7 (21.2)			

Table 1a. (continued)

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.
294	100	59 (5.2)*	81	A1	9
295	100	66 (8.3)*	24	A1	9
296	100	18 (8.9)	> 1000	A1	9
297	100	66 (8.4)*	32	A1	9
298	100	-32.5(7.5)*		A1	11
	10	-17.7(14.2)			
300	100	-11.7(18.4)		A1	11
	10	8.0 (11.6)			
301	100	6.8 (13.8)		A1	11
	10	-29.5(17.3)			
302	100	67.9 (10.3) *		A1	11
	10	20.3 (7.2)			
303	100	-7.9(11.9)		A1	11
	10	5.5 (27.6)			
304	100	-22.3(11.9)		A1	11
	10	-34.3(7.3)			
305	100	-45.0(11.9)		A1	11
	10	-36.1(13.7)			
306	100	-42.7 (7.4)*		A1	11
	10	6.8 (13.4)			
307	100	-43.2(18.2)		A1	11
	10	1.9 (12.3)			
310	100	1.8 (0.9)		A1	1
312	100	-2.7(7.9)		A1	1
314	100	7.2 (8.2)		A1	1
317	100	18 (4.8)	> 1000	A1	9
318	100	-16.9(7.7)		A1	11
	10	11.3 (4.3)			
319	1000	32 (8.8)*		A1	19
	100	24 (4.7)			
321	100	13.5 (5.3)		A1	1
322	865	$62.6^{\rm d}$		N3	13
	346	<i>16.3</i> ^d			
324	1730	$44.0^{ m d}$		N3	13
	865	17.6 ^d			
325	1730	11.1 ^d		N3	13
	865	-14.5^{d}			
326	865	81.8 ^d		N3	13
	346	$13.0^{\rm d}$			
338	100	50	58	A1	24
$339^{\rm f}$	100	5	> 5000	A1	24
$340^{\rm f}$	100	48	200	A1	24
341	100	-8	> 5000	A1	24
342	100	-2	> 5000	A1	24
343	100	20	> 5000	A1	24
344	100	-44	> 5000	A1	24
354	10	20 (21.2)		A1	25
383	100	9.4 (9.3)		A1	1
384	100	-5.3(7.8)		A1	1

^{*}Significant difference between control and treatment discs (Wilcoxon's matched pairs test, P < 0.05); **P < 0.01.

Table 1b Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the Egyptian cotton leafworm (Lepidoptera: *Spodoptera littoralis*) in no-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{nc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.
49	100	14 (14.8)a,b		A1	9
50	100	$(0)^{a}$		A1	9
107			< 1	A1	6, 14
108			> 1000	A1	14
114	100	6 (7.0) ^a		A1	9
116	100	71 (8.1) ^a *		A1	9
118	100	49 (19.1) ^a		A1	9
119	100	<i>33</i> (8.0) ^a		A1	9
120	100	76 (6.3)a*		A1	9
121	100	86 (8.2) ^a *		A1	9
124	100	45 (19.1) ^a		A1	9
125	100	6 (7.4)a		A1	9
126	100	49 (18.9)a		A1	9
127	100	<i>57 (20.0)</i> a		A1	9
128	100	86 (6.2)a*		A1	9
129	100	$O(b)^{a}$		A1	9
130	100	41 (19.6)a		A 1	9
131	100	47 (18.9)a		A1	9
132	100	12 (16.4) ^a		A1	9
133		(/	> 1000	A1	16
134			> 1000	A1	6
135			870	A1	6, 16
136			350	A1	6
137			> 1000	A1	6
138			> 1000	A1	6
140			51	A1	6
141			> 1000	A1	6
142			> 1000	A1	6
207			0.4	A1	16
288	100	43 (18.3) ^a	***	A1	9
294	100	65 (6.5)a*		A1	9
295	100	86 (6.5) ^a *		A1	9
296	100	$0 (b)^{a}$		A1	9
297	100	71 (5.7) ^a *		A1	9
308	(1000)	0–25°		A2	26, 27
309	(1000)	0–25°		A2	26, 27
312	d	e		f	28
317	100	<i>43 (23.6)</i> ^a		A1	9

^{*}Statistically significant difference between control and treatment discs (Mann–Whitney U-test); P < 0.05.

^a Recalculated from the 'Percent Feeding Inhibition' (%FI).

^b Insecticidal activity; $LD_{100} = 0.001$ ppm (Kubo and Nakanishi, 1979).

 $^{^{\}circ}$ Minimum Inhibitory Concentration' (MIC), the limiting concentration to cause 100% feeding inhibition.

d Recalculated from the average FR₅₀.

^e Lower test concentrations omitted.

 $^{^{\}rm f}$ Tested as a mixture of the corresponding isomers a and b; ratio not known.

^b Calculated from the reported average amounts consumed from control (C) and treatment discs (T).

^b Standard error could not be calculated.

^c Originally reported as 'degree of antifeedant activity' with the same numerical value.

^d Concentration not specified.

e Reported as 'no significant activity'.

f Assay on cotton (*Gosypium hirsatum*) leaves; no-choice test not explicitly stated; no further details were given.

Table 2 Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the fall armyworm (Lepidoptera: *Spodoptera frugiperda*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.
2	100	78.4 (3.8)	A1	1
24	100	19.2 (7.0)	A1	1
33	100	25 (6.4)	A1	29
34	100	94.2 (1.6)	A 1	1
	100	24 (16.6)		29
37	100	47.1 (7.3)	A1	1, 29
39	100	32 (12.3) *	A1	29
16	100	12 (6.8)	A 1	29
17	100	10 (12.4)	A1	29
l8a ^a	100	10 (12.4)	A1	29
8b ^a	100	15 (4.6)	A1	29
58	100	48 (3.4)*	A1	29
i9	100	48 (12.4) *	A1	29
0	100	36 (11.7) *	A1	29
1	100	14 (11.6)	A1	29
6	100	12 (7.2)	A1	29
4	100	25 (7.8)	A1	29
6	100	26 (8.4)	A1	29
34	100	25 (6.8)	A1	29
85	100	12 (6.4)	A1	29
9	100	25 (6.4)	A1	29
06	100	51.4 (5.6)	A1	1
10	100	10.4 (6.7)	A1	1
43	100	46.8 (9.1)	A1	1
44	100	43.1 (7.6)	A 1	1
45	100	11.8 (14.1)	A1	1
47	100	21.6 (15.9)	A1	1
48	100	34.4 (13.3)	A1	1
49	100	11.3 (4.3)	A1	1
52	100	6.1 (8.4)	A1	1
53	100	19.4 (5.8)	A1	1
54	100	11.3 (9.5)	A1	1
.56	100	14.3 (3.8)	A1	1
		* *		18
79	100	74 (11.4) **	A1	
83	100	61 (4.1) **	A1	18
.99	100	85 (8.4)*	A1	20
200	100	98 (0.9)*	A1	20
201	100	53 (11.2) *	A1	20
202	100	2 (16.4)	A1	20
203	100	10 (14.8)	A1	20
204	100	85 (3.8)*	A1	20, 2
205	100	32 (18.5)	A1	21
14	100	17.3 (7.1)	A1	1
216	100	6 (12.8)	A1	68
18	100	24 (8.4)	A 1	29
21	100	29 (6.4)	A1	29
49	100	34 (6.5)	A1	29
69	100	4 (13.8)	A1	29
10	100	14.5 (5.9)	A1	1
312	100	13.9 (9.3)	A1	1
14	100	6.2 (7.6)	A1	1
321	100	11.8 (6.8)	A1	1
54	100	18 (6.4)	A1	25
183 183	100	1 1	A1	1
UJ	100	14.0 (6.4)	A1	1

^{*}Significant difference between control and treatment discs (Wilcoxon's matched pairs test, P < 0.05); ** P < 0.01.

Table 3
Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the African armyworm (Lepidoptera: *Spodoptera exempta*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.
2	100	75.8 (5.8)	A1	1
24	100	34.2 (7.9)	A1	1
34	100	38.0 (17.1)	A1	1
73	(100)	100 ^a	N2	12, 30, 31
	100	73.1 (7.1)	A1	1
74	(100)	100 ^a	N2	12, 30, 31
87	(100)	100 ^a	N2	30, 31
106	100	59.4 (3.5)	A1	1
110	100	41.2 (5.0)	A1	1
143	100	94.4 (2.9)	A1	1
144	100	51.4 (6.8)	A1	1
145	100	84.2 (3.0)	A1	1
147	100	64.8 (2.5)	A1	1
148	100	63.6 (2.5)	A1	1
149	100	55.2 (2.4)	A1	1
152	100	26.6 (2.3)	A1	1
153	100	36.4 (4.9)	A1	1
154	100	75.0 (2.3)	A1	1
156	100	29.3 (3.1)	A1	1
214	100	44.4 (7.1)	A1	1
310	100	19.5 (5.4)	A1	1
312	100	14.9 (3.9)	A1	1
314	100	26.7 (1.8)	A1	1
321	100	34.2 (2.4)	A1	1
383	100	9.1 (3.9)	A1	1
384	100	13.3 (4.8)	A 1	1

^{*}Significant difference between control and treatment discs (Wilcoxon's matched pairs test); P < 0.05.

Table 4 Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the beet armyworm (Lepidoptera: *Spodoptera exigua*) in dual-choice and no-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI _{nc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.
56	392	10.5 (10.5)	-26.3 (9.6)	N4a	32
57	392	13.7 (9.1)	16.0 (7.3)	N4a	32
73	392	67.9 (17.2)	70.0 (6.8)	N4a	32
74	392	25.1 (9.8)	8.3 (9.8)	N4a	32
75	392	57.1 (9.1)	31.0 (9.2)	N4a	32
76	392	9.7 (6.6)	-22.4(7.5)	N4a	32
100	392	25.8 (12.2)	34.3 (23.0)	N4a	32
101	392	39.5 (8.8)	14.9 (16.8)	N4a	32
102	392	38.5 (13.8)	24.5 (14.1)	N4a	32
103	392	91.4 (6.2)	30.0 (16.6)	N4a	32
104	392	72.9 (13.4)	9.9 (19.6)	N4a	32
105	392	26.1 (14.2)	-16.1(19.2)	N4a	32
308	(1000)		0–25 ^a	A2	26, 2

^a Originally reported as 'degree of antifeeding activity'.

^a Tested as separate C-13 epimers; configuration not known.

^{**} P < 0.01.

 $^{^{\}rm a}$ 'Minimum inhibitory concentration' (MIC), the limiting concentration to cause 100% feeding inhibition.

Table 5
Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the tobacco cut leafworm (Lepidoptera: *Spodoptera litura*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc.a (ppm)	AI_{dc} (%)	$\mathrm{AI}_{\mathrm{nc}}$ (%)	Assay	Ref.	_	Conc.a (ppm)	AI_{dc} (%)	AI_{nc} (%)	Assay	Ref.
2	(80) ^b	100°		N5	33, 36	-	(200)	100°	100 d		35, 36
		82-100			34	192	(>1000)	f		N5	33
	(50)	100°	100 ^d		34-36	193	(1000)		100 ^d	N5	33
		82–100			34		(500)	100°			
	(25)	<i>54–82</i>				194	(30)		100 d	N5	33
	(12)	<i>54</i> – <i>82</i>					(15)	100°			
143	(50) ^b	100°	$100^{\rm d}$	N5	34–36	195	(>1000)	f		N5	33 33
		82—100			34	196	(>1000)	f		N5	33
	(25)	<i>54–82</i>				197	(>1000)	f		N5	33
	(12)	<i>54</i> – <i>82</i>				198	(>1000)	f		N5	33
144	$(50)^{b}$	82–100		N5	34	212	(400)	67–100 g		h	37
	(25)	<i>54</i> – <i>82</i>				345	(1000)e	0-33.3		N5	34
	(12)	<i>54</i> – <i>82</i>				346	(1000)	0–14.3		N5	38, 39
145	$(50)^{b}$	100°	100 ^d	N5	34–36	347	(1000)	0–14.3		N5	38, 39
		82–100			34	348	(1000)	<i>33.3–60.0</i>		N5	38
	(25)	<i>54–82</i>					(500)	<i>14.3–33.3</i>			
	(12)	33–54				349	(1000)	0-14.3		N5	38
146	$(200)^{b}$	82—100		N5	34	350	(1000)	0–14.3		N5	38, 39
	(100)	<i>54</i> – <i>82</i>					(500)	14.3–33.3			
	(80)	<i>54</i> – <i>82</i>				351	(1000)	0–14.3		N5	38, 39
	(50)	0-33				352	(1000)	90.5-100		N5	38
150	$(1000)^{e}$	0-33		N5	34		(500)	0–14.3			
151	$(1000)^{e}$	0–33		N5	34	353	(1000)	60.0–90.5		N5	38
155	$(1000)^{e}$	0-33		N5	34		(500)	14.3–33.3			
157	(200)	100°	100 ^d	N5	35,36		(250)	0–14.3			
158	(100)	100°	100 ^d	N5	35,36	355	(1000)	60.0–90.5		N5	38, 39
159	(1000)	33–54		N5	34		(500)	33.3–60.0			
	(500)	33–54					(250)	14.3–33.3			
	(200)	0-33				356	(1000)	60.0–90.5		N5	38, 39
160	$(200)^{b}$	100°	100 ^d	N5	34–36		(500)	33.3–60.0			
		82–100			34		(250)	0-14.3			
	(100)	0–33				357	(1000)	90.5-100		N5	38
161	$(80)^{b}$	100 c	100 ^d	N5	34-36		(500)	<i>14.3–33.3</i>			
		82–100			34		(250)	0-14.3			
	(50)	<i>54–82</i>				358	(1000)	60.0–90.5		N5	38
	(25)	33–54					(500)	14.3–33.3			
	(12)	33–54					(250)	0–14.3			
162	(500) ^b	82–100		N5	34	359	(1000)	90.5–100		N5	38,39
	(200)	<i>54–82</i>					(500)	60.0–90.5			
	(100)	0–33					(250)	33.3-60.0			
163	$(200)^{b}$	100°	100 ^d	N5	34–36	360	(1000)	90.5–100		N5	38,39
		82–100			34		(500)	60.0–90.5			
	(100)	<i>54–82</i>					(250)	14.3–33.3			
	(80)	54-82				361	(1000)	90.5–100		N5	38
	(50)	54–82					(500)	33.3-60.0			
	(25)	33–54					(250)	14.3–33.3			
	(12)	33–54				362	(1000)	60.0–90.5		N5	38
164	(1000)	54-82		N5	34		(500)	33.3-60.0			
	(500)	33–54					(250)	0–14.3			
	(200) ^e	0–33				363	(1000)	90.5–100		N5	38, 39
165	(200)	100°	100 ^d	N5	35, 36		(500)	60.0–90.5			
166	(100)	100°	100 ^d	N5	35, 36		(250)	33.3-60.0			
169	(1000)e	0-33		N5	34	364	(1000)	90.5–100		N5	38, 39
170	(1000) ^e	0–33		N5	34		(500)	60.0–90.5			
171	(1000)	33–54		N5	34	_	(250)	0–14.3			
	(500)	33–54				365	(1000)	90.5–100		N5	38
	(200)	0–33					(500)	60.0–90.5			
190	(400)		100 ^d	N5	33	_	(250)	14.3–33.3			
	(200)	100°	*004	3.75	33, 36	366	(1000)	90.5–100		N5	38
191	(600)		100 ^d	N5	33		(500)	60.0–90.5			
	(300)	100 c			33, 36		(250)	<i>14.3–33.3</i>			

^a For all tests in this table, the substrate was dipped into a solution of the test compound at the indicated concentration; the actual amount of compound present on the substrate is unknown.

b Higher concentrations omitted.

^c 'Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC)'.

d 'Absolute antifeedant' (Munakata, 1977; Kato et al., 1972; Hosozawa et al., 1974): treatment discs were not bitten by the larvae even when the assay duration was extended to 24 h (control discs were >90% consumed after 2 h) and the larvae eventually starved to death.

^e Lower concentrations omitted.

^f No 100% antifeedant activity found at 1000 ppm.

g 'Threshold concentration', the lowest concentration to give >20% reduction in feeding, relative to control discs.

^h Assay as N5 but on cabbage leaf discs of only 15 mm diam.; assay duration 5 h.

Table 6
Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the cotton bollworm (Lepidoptera: *Helicoverpa armigera*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI_{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.		Conc. (ppm)	AI_{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.
33	100	41 (11.2) *	A1	29	212	100	3.9 (15.0)	A1	7
34	100	63.2 (5.4) *	A1	1, 7		10	3.4 (14.7)		
		63 (12.4) *		29	213	100	4.6 (10.2)	A 1	7
	10	16.9 (7.8)		7		10	3.0 (18.4)		
39	100	20 (11.2)	A1	29	214	100	11.7 (14.9)	A 1	7
46	100	2 (14.6)	A1	29			10.4 (4.2)		1
47	100	10 (18.4)	A 1	29		10	19.5 (7.1)		7
48a ^a	100	15 (6.1)	A1	29	216	100	4 (12.9)	A 1	29
48b ^a	100	15 (12.4)	A1	29	217	100	8.8 (8.8)	A 1	7
58	100	43 (6.7) *	A1	29		10	6.8 (3.7)		
59	100	45 (9.9) *	A1	29	218	100	16 (6.8)	A 1	29
60	100	25 (12.3)	A1	29	219	100	23.9 (14.6)	A1	7
61	100	8 (11.6)	A1	29		10	24.0 (7.2)		
64	100	8.6 (10.4)	A1	7	220	100	16.9 (13.0)	A1	7
	10	2.4 (3.8)				10	11.5 (5.7)		
66	100	16 (11.4)	A1	29	221	100	24 (11.6)	A1	29
73	100	39.6 (9.7) *	A1	7			24.8 (17.0)		7
		39 (9.6) *		29		10	20.9 (8.0)		
	10	23.9 (9.9)		7	249	100	43 (8.6) *	A1	29
74	100	48 (7.4) *	A1	29	257	100	9.8 (15.6)	A1	7
76	100	23.9 (9.6)	A1	7		10	19.6 (6.5)		
		23 (9.6)		29	260	100	2.8 (12.0)	A1	7
	10	2.9 (5.7)		7		10	-2.9(7.0)		
84	100	20 (11.2)	A1	29	261	100	-0.9(11.9)	A1	7
85	100	15 (11.4)	A1	29		10	-5.8(5.0)		
99	100	8 (14.4)	A1	29	262	100	18.9 (7.7)	A1	7
106	100	50.2 (1.3)	A1	1		10	16.7 (13.7)		
143	100	37.4 (6.4)	A1	1	269	100	11.9 (6.0)	A1	7
148	100	24.5 (6.7)	A1	1			11 (5.9)		29
199	100	84 (4.2) *	A1	20		10	15.6 (6.5)		7
200	100	90 (2.4) *	A1	20	272	100	29.6 (8.9)	A1	7
201	100	58 (11.8) *	A1	20		10	29.2 (8.6)		
202	100	12 (13.6)	A1	20	310	100	17.4 (4.7)	A1	1
203	100	9 (12.4)	A1	20	312	100	9.4 (4.1)	A1	1
204	100	65 (8.4) *	A1	20, 21	314	100	1.7 (7.4)	A1	1
205	100	14 (13.8)	A1	21	321	100	21.4 (5.4)	A1	1
208	100	29.8 (15.0)	A1	7	354	10	8 (11.3)	A1	25
	10	23.2 (6.6)	• • •	•	383	100	14.3 (6.0)	A1	1
211	100	4.9 (13.0)	A1	7	384	100	6.2 (7.2)	A1	1
	10	8.9 (16.0)		•			()		-

^{*}Statistically significant difference between control and treatment discs (Wilcoxon's ranked pairs test); P < 0.05.

Table 7
Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the tobacco budworm (Lepidoptera: *Heliothis virescens*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.
34	100	91.8 (5.1)	A1	1
106	100	48.6 (1.6)	A1	1
214	100	12.7 (9.2)	A1	1
310	100	14.7 (7.2)	A1	1
312	100	9.1 (4.8)	A1	1
	a	b	c	28
314	100	2.6 (1.7)	A1	1
321	100	24.6 (1.3)	A1	1
354	10	10 (3.4)	A1	25
383	100	15.9 (5.4)	A1	1
384	100	9.5 (7.9)	A1	1

^a Test concentration not specified.

^a Tested as separate C-13 epimers; configuration not known.

^b Reported to have 'no significant activity'.

^c Assay on cotton (Gosypium hirsatum) leaf; no details given.

Table 8a Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the large cabbage white butterfly (Lepidoptera: *Pieris brassicae*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI_{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.
199	100	91 (1.4)	N6	20
200	100	96 (0.9) *	N6	20
201	100	54 (6.4)	N6	20
202	100	10 (21.4)	N6	20
203	100	8 (11.6)	N6	20
204	100	75 (8.9) *	N6	20, 21
205	100	12 (14.6)	N6	21
323	89	-9.2 (12)	N7	40, 42
327	99	33 (10) **	N7	40, 42
328	88	35 (8) **	N7	40, 42
329	101	26 (6) **	N7	40, 42
330	84	9 (9)	N7	40, 42
331	97	-4(10)	N7	40, 42
332	109	15 (8)	N7	40, 42
333	91	11 (9)	N7	40, 42
334	93	36 (7) **	N7	40, 42
335	100	28 (10) **	N7	40, 42
336	114	23 (8) **	N7	40, 42
337	107	5 (8)	N7	40, 42
346a	84	28 (11) *	N7	40
350a	88	18 (9) *	N7	40, 41
367	97	10 (6) ^a	N7	40, 41
367a	97	9 (3)a	N7	40, 41
367b	97	24 (8) *	N7	40, 41
368	97	10 (9)	N7	40, 41
369	116	16 (9)	N7	40, 41
370	109	20 (9)	N7	40, 41
371	89	26 (7) **	N7	40, 41
372	97	-11 (8)	N7	40, 41
373	122	41 (11) **	N7	40, 41
373a	122	10 (6)	N7	40, 41
374	89	11 (9)	N7	40, 41
375	86	11 (14)a	N7	40, 41
376	88	-2.5(7)	N7	40, 41
377	97	54 (12) **	N7	40, 41
378	95	9 (4)b	N7	40, 41
379	105	16 (6) **	N7	40, 41
380	124	9 (7)	N7	40, 41
381	112	18 (10)	N7	40, 41
382	98	24 (9) *	N7	40, 41

^{**}Statistically significant difference between control and treatment discs (Wilcoxon's matched pairs test); P < 0.01; (*) P < 0.05.

Table 8b Insect antifeedant activitiy against larvae of the large cabbage white butterfly (Lepidoptera: *Pieris brassicae*) in no-choice feeding assays

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	Conc. (ppm)	Period ^a	AI _{nc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.
308	(100) ^b		95—100°	A2	26, 27
	(50)		75–95°		
	(25)		50-75°		
309	(1000)		95–100°	A2	26, 27
	(500)		75–95°		
320	(1000)		0-25°	A2	26, 27
367	96	I	22.4 (5.0) **	N7	40, 41
		II	13.9 (4.3) **		
368	97	I	18.6 (7.6) *	N7	40, 41
		II	15.9 (7.0) *		
369	116	I	16.7 (5.4)*	N7	40, 41
		II	3.0 (3.8)		
370	109	I	18.3 (8.5)	N7	40, 41
		II	9.5 (5.8)		
371	88	I	-9.3(5.2)	N7	40, 41
		II	-12.3 (4.3)		
374	89	I	20.3 (5.3) **	N7	40, 41
		II	10.6 (4.6) *		
375	86	I	-1.7(6.2)	N7	40, 41
		II	-2.6(3.0)		
376	90	I	6.7 (6.8)	N7	40, 41
		II	5.4 (6.9)		

^{**}Statistically significant difference between control and treatment discs (Mann–Whitney U-test); P < 0.01; (*) P < 0.05.

Table 9a Insect antifeedant activitiy against larvae of the Asian corn borer (Lepidoptera: *Ostrinia furnacalis*) in dual-choice feeding assays

\ I I	•	<i>'</i>	C	•
	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.) ^a (%)	Assay	Ref.
23	(250)	3.7	N8	43
67	(250)	31.1 (2.9)	N8	43
68	(250)	15.5	N8	43
69	(250)	1.1	N8	43
70	(250)	7.5 (6.9)	N8	43
71	(250)	25.3	N8	43
72	(250)	25.1	N8	43
78	(250)	41.3 ^b	N8	43
80	(250)	11.5	N8	43
81	(250)	19.0 (8.0)	N8	43
86	(250)	15.0 (0.4)	N8	43
88	(250)	7.8	N8	43
89	(250)	57.9	N8	43
90	(250)	26.3	N8	43
91	(250)	12.3 (0.8)	N8	43
92	(250)	36.2 (6.3)	N8	43
93	(250)	34.6	N8	43
94	(250)	39.7 (5.2)	N8	43
95	(250)	6.0	N8	43
271	(250)	5.3	N8	43
274	(250)	26.4	N8	43
276	(250)	2.3	N8	43
278	(250)	26.5	N8	43
279	(250)	26.9 (7.6)	N8	43
280	(250)	33.9	N8	43

^a Average Antifeedant Index; s.e. = standard error.

^a Average value from two experiments performed on different days.

b Average value from three experiments.

 $^{^{\}rm a}$ Assay N7 was performed in two consecutive periods of 1.5 h each; leaf discs were renewed between periods.

^b Higher concentrations were omitted.

^c Originally reported as 'degree of antifeeding activity'.

^b Average value from two experiments.

Table 9b Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the Asian corn borer (Lepidoptera: *Ostrinia furnacalis*) in no-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{nc} (s.e.) ^a (%)	Assay	Ref.
23	(500)	-2.9 (3.1)	N8	43
67	(500)	21.7 (5.5)	N8	43
68	(500)	9.8	N8	43
70	(500)	0.8	N8	43
71	(500)	12.7	N8	43
72	(500)	16.4	N8	43
78	(500)	34.6 (4.9) ^b	N8	43
80	(500)	-4.4(0.8)	N8	43
81	(500)	15.4 (3.4)	N8	43
86	(500)	28.0 (6.8)	N8	43
88	(500)	5.2	N8	43
89	(500)	43.2 (2.3)	N8	43
90	(500)	15.1	N8	43
91	(500)	26.0 (7.8)	N8	43
92	(500)	16.3 (0.7)	N8	43
93	(500)	20.1	N8	43
94	(500)	29.3	N8	43
271	(500)	5.4	N8	43
274	(500)	36.4	N8	43
276	(500)	-5.2	N8	43
278	(500)	2.8	N8	43
279	(500)	43.1 (6.4)	N8	43
280	(500)	30.2 (4.7)	N8	43

^a Average Antifeedant Index; s.e. = standard error.

Table 10 Insect antifeedant activity against various other species from the order of Lepidoptera in dual-choice assays^d

			Conc. (ppm)	AI (s.e.m.) (%)	Assaya	Ref.
Diamondback moth	73	(2500) ^b	86.6***c	dc	N9	44
(Plutella xylostella)		(250)b	85.6***c	dc	N9	45
			68.5*c	dc	N9	44
		(25)b	27.1**c	dc	N9	45
			5.2°	dc	N9	44
		$(2.5)^{b}$	10.9°	dc	N9	45
	74	(250)b	46.5**c	dc	N9	45
		(25)b	41.2°			
European corn borer	190	(5000)	100	dc	N5	36
(Ostrinia mubilalis)	191	(5000)	100	dc	N5	36
Oriental tussock moth	190	(1000)	100°	dc	N5	36
(Euproctis subflava)	191	(1000)	100°	dc	N5	36
Cabbage moth	199	100	90 (2.4)*	dc	N6	20
(Mamestra brassicae)	200	100	95 (1.2)*	dc	N6	20
	201	100	45 (8.4)*	dc	N6	20
	202	100	8 (18.5)	dc	N6	20
	203	100	12 (12.8)	dc	N6	20
	204	100	86 (3.5)*	dc	N6	20, 21
	205	100	41 (22.8)	dc	N6	21
Yellow coaster butterfly	78	(50)	67–100 ^f	dc	g	46
(Pareba vesta)	79	(200)	$67 - 100^{\mathrm{f}}$	dc	g	46
	82	(200)	$67 – 100^{\rm f}$	dc	g	46

Table 10 (continued)

			Conc. (ppm)	AI (s.e.m.) (%)	Assaya	Ref.
(Abraxas miranda)	191	(5000)	100 ^h	dc	N5	36
Pink bollworm (Pectinophara gossypiella) ⁱ	54	3460	82 ^j	dc	N5	47
Paddy armyworm	78	(1000)	84.9k	nc	N10	48
(Leucania separata)	274	(1000)	68.9^{k}	nc	N10	48
	277	(1000)	48.0^{k}	nc	N10	48
	281	(1000)	100.0k	nc	N10	48
	282	(1000)	59.3 ^k	nc	N10	48
	283	(1000)	27.3 ^k	nc	N10	48
Castor looper	16	1	m		1	49
(Achaea janata)	115	1	m		1	49

^{***}Statistically significant difference between control and treatment discs, P < 0.001; ** P < 0.01; * P < 0.05.

- ^c Calculated from the amounts eaten of the control and treatment discs.
- ^d Originally reported as 'degree of antifeeding activity'.
- e Reported as 'feeding was prevented'.
- f 'Lowest effective concentration', presumably the lowest concentration to cause strong feeding inhibitory activity (i.e. > 20% reduction in feeding, relative to control; Wada and Munakata, 1968).
- g 'Host plant leaf disc method' with *Boehmeria nivea* leaves, probably two-choice assay; no further details supplied.
 - h Reported as 'no inhibition of feeding below' specified concentration.
- $^{\rm i}$ Ajugarin IV (98) displays insect growth regulatory activity; ED $_{50}$ = 500 ppm (Kubo et al., 1982).
- $^{\rm j}$ Calculated from PC₅₀, the concentration at which less than 5% of the treatment discs are consumed in the time that over 50% of the control discs are eaten (van Beek and de Groot, 1986).
 - $^{k}\,$ Recalculated from the AI_{dc} reported for this no-choice assay.
 - ¹ Not specified.
- m Reported as 'exhibited antifeedant activity'.

Table 11 Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the yellow mealworm (Coleoptera: *Tenebrio molitor*) in dual-choice and no-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	Dual-choice AI _{dc} ^a (%)	No-choice AI _{nc} (s.d.) ^a (%)	Assay	Ref.
17	71		-34.2	N11	50
20	71		-7.9	N11	50
33	71	84.0	54.1 (6.9)	N11	50-54
34	71	7.8	-66.7(23.8)	N11	51, 53
35	71	4.0	-37.9(28.3)	N11	50-53
51	71	18.0	5.0 (22.0)	N11	50-52
52	71	88.0	55.2 (10.0)	N11	50-53
53	71	84.0	54.5 (8.8)	N11	50-53
55	71	25.9	6.4 (24.8)	N11	50-53
117	71	18.0	-67.8(27.7)	N11	50-53
210	71		55.6 (10.9)	N11	50, 54
211	71	84.0	66.6 (6.6)	N11	50, 51, 53
240	71		10.2 (14.0)	N11	50, 54
245	71		18.2 (15.9)	N11	50, 54
250	71		30.5 (13.2)	N11	50, 54
284	71	-18.3	-37.4(21.5)	N11	50, 51, 53
285	71	7.8	-68.4~(46.2)	N11	50, 51, 53
290	71	86.0	70.8 (7.8)	N11	50-53
291	71		70.8 (7.7)	N11	50, 54
292	71	32.0	2.4 (11.0)	N11	50-53
293	71		14.8 (14.4)	N11	50, 54
294	71	6.1	10.2 (16.9)	N11	50-52

^a Average Antifeedant Index, recalculated from the reported average Percentage of Feeding Inhibition (PFI); s.d. = standard deviation.

^b Average value from three experiments.

^a dc = dual-choice; nc = no-choice.

^b From the reported concentration in % (0.1% = ca. 250 ppm; Pickett et al., 1987)

Table 12a Insect antifeedant activity against larvae of the Colorado potato beetle (Coleoptera: *Leptinotarsa decemlineata*) in dual-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Internal toxicity	Ref
12	1730	39.8 (5.5)a	N1	_b	4
13	1730	23.8 (7.8) ^a	N1	+ b	4
14	1730	44.3 (8.5)a	N1	_b	4
15	1730	18.6 (6.1) ^a	N1	_b	4
18	1730	82.0 (10.4)a	N1	_b	4
19	1730	81.7 (8.6) ^a	N1	_b	4
21	1730	93.4 (3.7) ^a	N1	+ b	4
22	1730	94.4 (2.4) ^a	N1	+ b	4
56	392	88.2 (6.4)	N4a		32
57	392	73.7 (19.7)	N4a		32
73	392	26.8 (8.6)	N4a		32
74	392	31.4 (17.7)	N4a		32
75	392	26.8 (5.4)	N4a		32
76	392	13.7 (11.8)	N4a		32
100	392	39.9 (7.1)	N4a		32
101	392	8.6 (11.6)	N4a		32
102	392	46.1 (8.0)	N4a		32
103	392	33.1 (16.3)	N4a		32
104	392	36.4 (16.0)	N4a		32
105	392	28.5 (12.6)	N4a		32
111	1730	20.3 (6.4) ^a	N1	_b	4
112	1730	83.8 (5.9) ^a	N1	+ b	4
214	235	9.4 (20.2)	N4b		55
219	235	-1.2(18.5)	N4b		55
	196	23.8 (5.0)*	N4c	_c	56
	59	6.2 (6.9)		_c	
	20	-7.8(5.4)		_c	
227	235	9.5 (8.2)	N4b		55
228	235	28.5 (8.7)	N4b		55
229	235	-10.1 (14.8)	N4b		55
230	235	10.7 (10.1)	N4b		55
231	235	49.0 (7.6)	N4b		55
232	235	61.7 (7.2)	N4b		55
233	235	38.0 (3.8)	N4b		55
234	235	0.7 (18.7)	N4b		55
236	235	20.1 (17.0)	N4b		55
237	235	31.8 (13.4)	N4b		55
244	235	22.8 (14.9)	N4b		55
267	235	53.4 (7.1)	N4b		55
	196	32.9 (6.2)*	N4c	_c	56
	59	25.2 (4.8)*		_c	
	20	14.0 (8.4)		_c	
268	235	46.2 (9.8)	N4b		55
	196	25.1 (5.8)*	N4c	+ c	56
	59	8.1 (4.6)		+ c	
	20	5.5 (7.2)		_c	
269	235	26.8 (20.2)	N4b		55
	196	34.0 (7.6)*	N4c	+ c	56
	59	8.4 (3.6)		+ c	
	20	11.6 (4.6)		_c	
270	235	57.6 (15.4)	N4b		55
273	235	44.1 (19.4)	N4b		55
275	235	57.5 (12.6) 54.5 (8.6)	N4b		55
299	235		N4b		55

^{*}Significant difference between control and treatment discs (Wilcoxon's signed rank test); P < 0.05.

5. Structure-activity relationships

Despite the substantial efforts invested in the testing of clerodane diterpenes for insect antifeedant activity, no all-embracing structure—activity relationships have yet been identified. In the absence of detailed information on the modes of action of clerodane antifeedants and the biological targets involved, such relationships can only attempt to correlate structural elements from antifeedant molecules with the overall effect on insect feeding. Unfortunately the mechanisms governing insect feeding behaviour are highly complex and it is possible that structurally similar antifeedants affect insect feeding through different pathways involving unrelated biological targets.

In the early 1980s, several authors proposed either a furo[2,3b]furan moiety (Kojima and Kato, 1981a,b) or a decalin ring system with an epoxy–diacetate combination of functional groups (Jackson and Ley, 1981; Luteijn and de Groot, 1981; Geuskens et al., 1983) to be key structural elements responsible for antifeedant activity. Model compounds representing these substructures indeed elicited antifeedant activity, albeit only for some insect species and with less potency than the parent clerodane diterpenes from which they were derived. These results suggested that a synergistic action of both the epoxy–diacetate moiety and the furo[2,3b]furan system present in one molecule might account for the observed antifeedant activity, possibly with other types of sidechain instead of the furofuran (Geuskens et al., 1983; Belles et al., 1985).

Since then many new clerodane antifeedants have been identified, including diterpenes with structures not covered by this early model. Despite this wealth of new information (Tables 1-15) it remains difficult to assign importance to individual functional groups in relation to the observed antifeedant activity. Especially when moderately and weakly active clerodane antifeedants are included in the analyses a confusing picture emerges in which specific changes of a functional group often have a different and unpredictable outcome on the activity of different types of clerodanes. Although a detailed analysis of the structure-activity relationships cannot be presented, some interesting trends can be distinguished when only the 10–20% of the most active clerodanes per insect species are considered. Many of these trends have been mentioned before by other researchers in this field.

i. Active clerodanes in general possess the *trans*-decalin skeleton of the *neo*-clerodanes. *cis*-Decalin (19-nor)-clerodanes with antifeedant activity are limited to a few cases (275 against *L. decemlineata*, 278 against *O. furnacalis*). In the majority of the *trans*-decalin clerodanes an epoxydiester combination of functional groups is present at C-4, C-6 and C-18. Di-acetates are most common, but sometimes one of the acetates is replaced by another ester function, or the acetate

 $[^]a$ Recalculated from the 'Percent Feeding Inhibition' (% FI). The associated EC $_{50}$ corresponds to AI $_{50}\!=\!33.3\%$ and was therefore not included in this table.

^b Mortality after injection of 10 μ g of the test compound; + indicates a significant difference from the control after 72 h (Fisher's exact test); P < 0.05.

[°] Postingestive toxic effect indicated in 'choice vs. no-choice' feeding assays (Ortego et al., 1995); + indicates a significant difference between treatment and control discs (Dunnet two-tailed test); $P \le 0.05$.

Table 12b

Insect antifeedant activitiy against larvae of the Colorado potato beetle (Coleoptera: Leptinotarsa decemlineata) in no-choice feeding assays

	Conc. (ppm)	AI _{nc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.		Conc. (ppm)	AI_{nc} (s.e.m.) (%)	AI ₅₀ (ppm)	Assay	Ref.
12	1730	11.6 (7.9)	> 1730	N1	4	236	235	89.2 (2.0)	25	N4b	55
13	1730	22.2 (9.0)	> 1730	N1	4	237	235	62.6 (2.9)		N4b	55
14	1730	22.6 (9.1)	> 1730	N1	4	244	235	46.4 (2.6)		N4b	55
15	1730	35.5 (16.6)	> 1730	N1	4	267	235	70.4 (2.7)	92 ^a	N4b	55
18	1730	90.7 (5.7)	294	N1	4		196	39.0 (5.2)*		N4c	56
19	1730	98.9 (0.7)	266	N1	4		59	7.3 (5.3)*			
21	1730	40.7 (8.5)	> 1730	N1	4		20	-10.1(6.7)			
22	1730	86.5 (6.3)		N1	4	268	235	85.9 (2.5)	22 ^a	N4b	55
56	392	75.6 (8.6)		N4a	32		196	77.8 (5.3)*		N4c	56
57	392	67.6 (12.3)		N4a	32		59	59.4 (2.6)*			
73	392	5.3 (6.3)		N4a	32		20	45.6 (7.7)*			
74	392	-12.7(9.0)		N4a	32	269	235	87.4 (3.0)	17 ^a	N4b	55
75	392	5.3 (5.6)		N4a	32		196	75.0 (5.9)*		N4c	56
76	392	11.3 (8.4)		N4a	32		59	51.0 (7.8)*			
100	392	-9.2(7.3)		N4a	32		20	35.6 (9.3)*			
101	392	16.1 (5.5)		N4a	32	270	235	91.0 (1.4)	20 ^a	N4b	55
102	392	9.0 (17.6)		N4a	32	273	235	89.3 (1.1)	21 ^a	N4b	55
103	392	29.4 (11.7)		N4a	32	275	235	92.9 (1.6)	12 ^a	N4b	55
104	392	-13.8(6.3)		N4a	32	299	235	30.9 (2.8)		N4b	55
105	392	5.5 (12.9)		N4a	32	367	160	I: $-6.3 (9.3)^{b}$		N7	40
111	1730	28.8 (7.8)	> 1730	N1	4			II: -4.8 (5.7)			
112	1730	73.3 (4.7)		N1	4	368	162	I: −13.5 (6.1) ^b		N7	40
214	235	86.6 (2.7)	24 ^a	N4b	55			II: 3.8 (4.7)			
219	235	86.1 (1.5)	67 ^a	N4b	55	369	194	I: $-21.3 (5.2)^{b}$		N7	40
	196	60.1 (3.2)*		N4c	56			II: 6.3 (4.9)			
	59	33.4 (6.3)*				370	183	I: $-4.8 (9.2)^{b}$		N7	40
	20	-7.7(11.1)						II: 3.0 (9.1)			
227	235	40.5 (4.2)		N4b	55	371	149	I: -20.2 (11.7)b		N7	40
228	235	53.5 (4.3)		N4b	55			II: 0.8 (6.3)			
229	235	89.3 (2.8)	49 ^a	N4b	55	374	149	I: $-1.7 (8.0)^{b}$		N7	40
230	235	51.7 (2.9)		N4b	55			II: 1.0 (5.9)			
231	235	64.7 (2.9)		N4b	55	375	143	I: 8.7 (8.5) ^b		N7	40,41
232	235	58.3 (4.1)		N4b	55			II: 15.9 (5.5)‡			
233	235	77.4 (1.6)	$> 70^{a}$	N4b	55	376	147	I: $-7.1 (8.1)^{b}$		N7	40
234	235	89.9 (2.3)	22 ^a	N4b	55			II: -17.4 (6.0)			

^{*}Significant difference between control and treatment discs (Dunnet two-tailed test); P = 0.05; †Significant difference between C and T (Mann–Whitney U test); P < 0.01.

Ring opening or removal of the epoxide generally result in significant loss of activity, except for chlorohydrin **89** which displays moderate activity against *O. furnacalis*.

In a second group of active compounds the epoxy–diester combination is replaced by an α,β -unsaturated lactone at C-3- C-5. For *Tenebrio molitor* significant loss of activity is observed upon reduction of the lactone ring to a diol (52 vs. 51) or after simultaneous hydrogenation of the C-3 double bond and the furan-based C-9 sidechain (53 vs. 55, 290 vs. 292). A related α,β -

unsaturated lactone moiety is found at C-4- C-6 of various 19-nor clerodanes (267, 270, 275) active against *L. decemlineata*.

For the Homopteran insect species *M. persicae* antifeedant activity is elicited by structural features differing from those described above. From the limited data available it seems that at C-4,18 an exocyclic methylene is highly preferred over an epoxide (14, 18, 19, 111 vs. 21, 73, 74). On the whole, however, the activity of the clerodanes tested on these aphids was rather low, compared to Lepidopteran and Coleopteran species.

^a The associated 95% confidence interval was omitted from the table.

^b Assay N7 was conducted in two consecutive periods of 1.5 h each; leaf discs were renewed between periods.

Table 13
Insect antifeedant activity against other insect species from the order of Coleoptera

		Conc. (ppm)	AI _{dc} (s.e.m.) (%)	Assay	Ref.	
Mustard beetle (Phaedon cochleariae)	73	(250) ^a	100**b	N9	45	
,		(25) ^a	100*** ^b			
		(2.5) ^a	97.5*** ^b			
		(0.25)a	46.5*b			
		(0.025)a	17.9*b			
	74	(25)a	56.7***b	N9	45	
		(2.5)a	7.7*b			
		(0.25)a	$-5.0^{\rm b}$			
Potato beetle			Nymphs	Adults		
(Henosepilachna vigintioctopunctata)	160	353	13.4 (1.3)	19.0 (0.9)	N12	57
		35	4.9 (0.7)	22.7 (0.9)		
		3.5	8.8 (0.5)	18.4 (0.5)		
	161	353	24.4 (0.7)	24.5 (0.8)	N12	57
		35	11.4 (0.7)	4.4 (0.4)		
		3.5	11.8 (0.6)	5.4 (0.6)		
	165	353	28.6 (0.7)	73.8 (1.1)	N12	57
		35	56.9 (0.5)	-4.8(0.5)		
		3.5	20.8 (0.9)	-2.6(0.7)		
	168	353	0.6 (0.7)	13.3 (0.3)	N12	57
		35	-0.7(0.7)	12.7 (0.5)		
		3.5	-8.6 (0.7)	-9.2 (0.7)		
Western corn rootworm	297	ED ₅₀			c	58
beetle (<i>Diabrotica</i> virgifera vir.)		= 1.1 nmol/disc				

^{***}Significant difference between treatment and control discs (P < 0.001); ** $P < 0.01 \cdot *P < 0.05$

- ii. In all of the most active clerodanes the sidechain-fragment at C-9 contains an oxygenated ring-system. With many Lepidopteran insect species, a furofuran-based structure appears to be most favourable for strong activity, either in its didehydro or hemiacetal form, or completely saturated. Furans and butenolides are also frequently found among the most active clerodanes; hydrogenation of the unsaturation in these moieties usually results in diminished activity.
- iii. For high activity, structural elements from (i) and (ii) must be present simultaneously in one molecule. Partial fragments as 308-384 usually show markedly diminished activity in the tests. However, a number of exceptions to this general observation are known. For *L. migratoria* the decalin fragment 310 with an 4β -O epoxide showed equal antifeedant activity under nochoice contitions as the clerodin derivative 145, contrary to model compound 311 incorporating the more common 4α -O epoxide which was

Table 14
Deterrent activity on the settling behaviour of the green peach aphid (Homoptera: *Myzus persicae*) in dual-choice bioassays

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	Conc. (ppm)	DI (s.e.m.) ^a (%)	Assay	Ref.	
12	1730	18.0 (5.0) ^b	N13	4	
13	1730	10.9 (3.5) ^b	N13	4	
14	1730	31.8 (4.8) ^b	N13	4	
15	1730	20.1 (4.7) ^b	N13	4	
18	1730	28.5 (5.7)b *	N13	4	
19	1730	29.5 (4.6)b *	N13	4	
21	1730	15.1 (3.3)b	N13	4	
73	(2500)°	12.5 ^d	N9	58	
74	(250)°	-6.7^{d}	N9	58	
111	1730	27.5 (5.6)b *	N13	4	
346a	121	5 (21)	A3	40	
350a	121	$-41 (16)^{\ddagger}$	A3	40	
367	121	20 (19)	A3	40	
367a	121	29 (14)	A3	40	
368	121	31 (20)	A3	40	
369	121	10 (19)	A3	40	
370	121	-10(17)	A3	40	
371	121	1 (12)e	A3	40	
372	121	$0 (9)^{f}$	A3	40	
373a	121	-19(18)	A3	40	
374	121	4 (12)e	A3	40	
375	121	$-5 (12)^{e}$	A3	40	
376	121	29 (19)	A3	40	
378	121	-18 (18)	A3	40	

*Statistically significant difference between control and treatment areas (Mann–Whitney W-test); P < 0.05; *Wilcoxon's matched pairs test; P < 0.05.

- ^a Mean Deterrency Index DI = [(C-T)/(C+T)]; s.e.m. = standard error of the mean. C and T are the numbers of aphids settled on control and treatment areas, respectively.
 - ^b Recalculated from the reported Settling Inhibition (SI).
- $^{\rm c}$ Recalculated from the reported concentration in % (0.1% = ca. 250 ppm; Pickett et al., 1987).
- $^{\rm d}$ Calculated from the reported number of aphids on control and treatment areas. The difference between C and T was reported to be 'not significant'.
 - ^e Average value from two experiments performed on different days.
- f Average value from three experiments.

inactive. Also with *P. brassicae* and *M. persicae* some synthetic compounds modelled upon the decalin fragment e.g. **308**, **309**) or the C-9 sidechain moiety (e.g. **367a**, **376**, **377**) displayed appreciable levels of activity in comparison to the few clerodane diterpenes that were tested against these species.

iv. In addition to being present in one molecule, it appears that for high activity the key structural elements from (i) and (ii) must be able to adopt a distinct spatial orientation. Molecular modeling experiments with clerodanes active against

^a From the reported concentration in % (0.1% = ca. 250 ppm; Pickett et al.,

^b Calculated from the amounts eaten from control and treatment discs.

^c No details of the bioassay were specified.

Table 15
Insect antifeedant activities against species from other orders

			Conc. (ppm)	AI (%)	Assa	Assay ^a	
Order: Orthoptera							
Migratory locust (Locusta migratoria)		145	(100)	70 ^b	nc	A4	59
		247	(1000)	38 ^b	nc	A4	60
		248	(100)	70 ^b	nc	A4	60
		310	(100)	70 ^b	nc	A4	59
		311	(1000)	c	nc	A4	59
		312	(1000)	72 ^b	nc	A4	28
		313	(1000)	< 36 ^b	nc	A4	28
		315	d	c	nc	A4	59
		316	d	c	nc	A4	59
Desert locust (Schistocerca gregaria)		73	(0.06)	100e	dc	f	30
Vagrant grasshopper (Schistocerca vaga)		73	(1000)	100e	nc	g	30
Order: Diptera							
Housefly (Musca domestica)	 First instar larvae 	165	(4.5-8.6)	h,i	nc	N14	61
,	 Third instar larvae 		(14.3–28.6)	h,j			
Order: Hymenoptera							
Umbrella ant (Atta cephalotes)		7	$(0.11 \ \mu g)^{k,l}$	47.4**	dc	N15	62, 63
Leafcutting ant (Acromyrmex octospinosus)		96	$(0.50 \text{ mg/g})^{\text{m}}$	22.4	dc	N15	64
		97	$(0.50 \text{ mg/g})^{\text{m}}$	5,2	dc	N15	64
		286	$(0.33 \text{ mg/g})^{\text{m}}$	51.2***	dc	N15	64
		287	$(0.33 \text{ mg/g})^{\text{m}}$	39.5*	dc	N15	64
Order: Isoptera			, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,				
Subterranean termite (Reticulitermes speratus)		8	2768	100^{\ddagger}	dc	N16	65
		9	2768	100‡	dc	N16	65
		10	2768	94.0 [‡]	dc	N16	65
		11	2768	100‡	dc	N16	65
Insect species unspecified							
Not specified		77		n			66
Not specified		98		n,o			66, 6
Not specified		113		p			68
Not specified		209		q			69
Not specified		215		q			69

^{***}Statistically significant difference between control and treatment flakes; P < 0.001; ** P < 0.005; *P < 0.01; \$Significant difference between control and treatment discs (Mann–Whitney U-test); P < 0.05.

- ^a dc = dual-choice; nc = no-choice.
- ^b From the 'percentage of feeding inhibition'.
- ^c Activity 'negligible' or 'not significant'.
- d Not specified.
- ^e 'Minimum Inhibitory Concentration' (MIC), the limiting concentration needed to cause 100% feeding inhibition.
- f Assay on glass-fibre discs with 0.1 M sucrose; no details given.
- g Assay on corn seedling leaf; no details given.
- ^h Decreased weight gain of the larvae after 144 h, relative to controls.
- ⁱ Dose-dependent *delayed* pupariation, decreased weight of puparia and increased mortality during moult, relative to controls.
- ^j Accelerated pupariation, decreased weight of puparia and increased mortality during moult.
- ^k Recalculated to µg of compound per rye flake.
- ¹ No toxicity to ants or growth inhibition of the mutualistic ant fungus detected (Howard et al., 1988).
- m Represents mg of compound per g of rye flakes.
- ⁿ 'No antifeeding activity'; probably tested against S. exempta and Bombyx mori, but insect species not explicitly stated.
- ° Insecticidal activity against *B. mori*; LD₉₅ = 500 ppm (Kubo et al., 1982).
- ^p Reported to 'show antifeedant activity'.
- ^q Compound 'appeared to be devoid of such [antifeedant] activities'.

Table 16 Summary of the feeding bioassay conditions

Assays using artificial substrates

- A1: Final instar larvae of *S. littoralis*, *S. frugiperda*, *S. exempta*, *H. virescens* or *H. armigera* were tested on glass-fibre discs (diam. 2.1 cm), made palatable with sucrose. Treatment discs were treated with 100 μl of a solution of the test compound. The assay was terminated after 50% of either disc was eaten or after 12, 18 or 24 h. The discs were weighed to determine the mass eaten of control (*C*) and treatment discs (*T*), from which the standard Antifeedant Indexes AI_{dc} and AI_{nc} were calculated.
- A2: Tested on styropor lamellae ($6 \infty 3$ cm), dipped into an ethanol-water mixture containing sucrose and the test compound (treatment substrate). The amount of feeding was determined after 24 h by weighing the remaining feeding substrate. The degree of antifeeding activity, [1-(T/C)], was reported in five activity classes (e.g. + + + + = 100-95%).
- A3: The substrate consisted of a parafilm layer, stretched over a plastic ring (2.7 cm diameter). One half of the lower surface was painted with 10 μ l of a solution of the test compound in ethanol at the indicated concentration, while the other half was painted with ethanol only. A parafilm sachet containing two compartments filled with artificial diet was stretched over the upper surface. *M. persicae* nymphs were placed on the painted lower side of this test set-up (diet sachet on top). After 24 h, the numbers of aphids present on the treatment and control halves of the diet were counted and a Deterrency Index was calculateded; DI = [(C-T)/(C+T)].
- A4: This assay is poorly described in the cited literature. The substrate consisted of glassfibre GF/A discs, coated with glucose solution. Probably a no-choice set-up was used, although this was only explicitly stated in Hanson et al. (1982). The antifeedant activity was reported as the percentage of feeding inhibition, %FI = [1 (T/C)].

N—Assays using natural substrates

- N1: S. littoralis larvae (fifth instar) or L. decemlineata adults were tested on sweet potato (Ipomoea batatas) leaf discs (1 cm² surface area), coated with 10 μ l of test compound solution in acetone (treatment discs) to a final amount of 50 mg compound/cm² leaf area. After 16–20 h the assay was terminated and the uneaten leaf disc surfaces were measured. From the consumption from treatment and control discs the antifeedant activity was determined and reported as the percentage of feeding inhibition, %FI=[1-(T/C)].
- N2: Leaf disc assay (see N5); maize (*Zea mays*) leaves for tests with *S. littoralis* (instar unknown); *Ricinis communis* leaves with third instar larvae of *S. exempta*. The activity was reported as Minimal Inhibitory Concentration (MIC), which is the minimum required concentration to completely inhibit the insects from feeding on the treatment discs.
- N3: Assay with fifth instar larvae of *S. littoralis* on lettuce (*Lactuca sativa*) leaf discs (area 1 cm²) treated with 10 μ l of test compound solution in acetone (treatment discs). The consumed areas of treated discs (CTD) and control discs (CCD) were simultaneously measured every 30 min during the entire assay duration (4–5 h). The antifeedant activity was expressed as Feeding Ratio, FR = [CTD/CCD]. For comparative purposes the authors recommended the use of FR50, which is the Feeding Ratio when CTD = 50% (FR75 was also given). CTD₅₀ and CCD₅₀ were obtained for each separate test by extrapolation of the nearest empirical values.
- N4: Tested with *S. exigua* larvae (fifth instar) or *L. decemlineatae* larvae (fourth instar) on leaf discs (1.77 cm²) of sugar beet or potato (*Solanum tuberosum*), respectively. Treatment discs were coated on the upper surface with 20 μl (N4a), 12 μl (N4b) or 10 μl (N4c) of test compound solution in acetone and were fitted in holes in an agar layer. The assays were terminated either after consumption of 50% of all discs (dual-choice assay; maximum duration 24 h) or after 75% of the control discs had been consumed (dual-choice assay). The remaining discs were weighed and the amount eaten of control and treatment discs determined. Antifeedant activity was reported as the average standard Antifeedant Index AI_{ac} or AI_{nc}.
- N5: Several insect species were tested using this 'leaf disc method'; except for *S. litura* (third instar) the larval stage of the insects was not specified. The feeding substrate consisted of sweet potato (*Ipomoea batatas*) leaf discs (20 mm diam), which were dipped into an acetone solution containing the test compound (treatment discs). The assay was terminated when about 50% of the leaf area of the control discs was consumed. The consumed areas of control and treatment discs were measured. The degree of antifeeding activity, [1-(T/C)], was reported as belonging to one of four (or five) activity classes, (i.e. + + + = -90-100%).
- N6: A binary choice feeding bioassay using glass-fibre disks was used to evaluate the activity at 100 ppm of the neo-clerodane diterpenoids against the final stadium larvae of *Spodoptera litoralis* (Boisd.) (Lepidoptera). All disks were made palatable by the addition of 100 μ l of a sucrose solution (50 mM), control disks carried only sucrose. The disks were dried and weighed before use. For the bioassay, larvae were placed individually in a Petri dish with a control disk and a treatment disk. The bioassay terminated after the larvae had eaten approximately 50% of one of the disks or after 12 h. The larvae were then removed and the disks were dried and reweighed. The antifeedant index [(C-T)/(C+T)]% was calculated, where C and T represent the amount eaten of the control and treatment disks, respectively.
- N7: *P. brassicae* larvae (fifth instar) were tested on cabbage leaf discs (*Brassica oleracea* var. *gemmifera*, cv. Titurel or cv. Cyrus; surface area 3.80 cm²). Potato leaf discs (*Solanum tuberosum* L., cv. Surprise; surface area 2.27 cm²) were used for *L. decemlineata* larvae (fourth instar). Treatment discs were painted on the upper surface with 10 µl of test compound solution in water containing 2% of ethanol and 2% of Tween-80 (treatment discs). After 3 h the remaining leaf disc areas were measured and the amount of feeding from treatment and control discs was determined (dual-choice assay). The no-choice assay was performed in a similar manner over two consequtive 1.5 h periods; the leaf discs were renewed between periods. The antifeedant activity was reported as the standard Antifeedant Index AIdc (dual-choice assay) or as the Inhibition Percentage, IP = [(*C*-*T*)/*C*] (no-choice assay).

Table 16 (continued)

- N8: Larvae of *O. furnacalis* (fifth instar) were tested on a feeding substrate prepared by mixing a warm paste of corn powder, soybean powder, agar and water with a solution (no volume given) of the test compound in ethanol (treatment substrate). After cooling the substrate was divided into short columns (diam. 0.6 cm, 1.0 cm length). After 4 h the assay was terminated and the remaining substrates were weighed. The consumed amounts from the treatment and control substrates were determined and the standard Antifeedant Indexes AI_{dc} and AI_{nc} were calculated.
- N9: Tested on Chinese cabbage leaves, painted on one half (T) with a solution of the test compound (leaf area and volume of test compound solution not specified). For *P. xylostella* larvae and *P. cochleariae* adults the antifeedant activity was indicated as the area or weight of leaf consumed. For *M. persicae* the average number of aphids settled on *C* and *T* were given.
- N10: No-choice assay at 1000 ppm concentration on maize (Zea mays) leaf discs; no further details supplied. The activity was given as a (dual-choice) Antifeedant Index AI = [(C-T)/(C+T)].
- N11: Assay with third instar larvae of *T. molitor* on carrot slices (2.5 cm diam.), which were coated with 100 μ l of test compound emulsion (treatment slices) in a mixture of water/methanol/acetone (90:5:5) and Triton CS-7 (0.1% v/v). Assay duration 24 h (dual-choice assay) or 10 days (no-choice assay); slices were renewed every 24 h. Percentages consumed from treatment and control slices were determined by weighing and the antifeedant activity was calculated as the average Percentage of Feeding Inhibition PFI = [T/(C+T)].
- N12: *H. vigintioctopunctata* beetles (fourth instar nymphs or adults) were tested on *Solanum nigrum* leaf discs (diam. 30 mm), coated with test compound solution in acetone (treatment discs) to a final amount of 5, 0.5 or 0.05 μ g compound/cm² leaf area. After 4 h the uneaten surface areas were measured and the amounts eaten from control and treatment discs calculated. The antifeedant activity was determined as [1-(T/C)].
- N13: Tested with *M. persicae* (apterous adults) on bell pepper (*Capsicum annuum*) leaf discs (2 cm² surface area). One half of each disc was treated with 10 μ l of test compound solution to a final amount of 50 μ g compound/cm² leaf area (treatment half). After 24 h the numbers of aphids on the control and treatment areas were counted and the Settling Inhibition Index was calculated according to %SI = [1-(T/C)] in which *T* is the percentage of aphids on the treatment surface.
- N14: Housefly (*M. domestica*; third instar larvae) feeding and development was assessed on a diet of 6 g of flocked filter paper treated sequentially with 8 ml of a test compound solution in acetone (treatment substrate) and a solution of milk powder (2.7 g), corn starch (2.7 g) and dried yeast (0.6 g) in 26 ml of water. The test compound concentration was calculated, based on the total weight of the dry components of the diet. The weight of the larvae, the number of larvae pupariating and the mortality rate were determined at regular intervals over a 6-day period.
- N15: Ant feeding deterrency assay with colonies of *A. cephalotes* or *A. octospinosus*, using pressed rye flakes soaked in a solution containing the test compound (treatment flakes). For the assay 60 control and 60 treatment flakes were randomly arranged in a grid-like fashion. After 50% of the control flakes had been taken by the ants, the assay was terminated and the numbers of control and treatment flakes harvested by the ants were counted.
- N16: The test arena consisted of a Petri dish, coated on the bottom with a layer of agar which was covered with sand. Filter paper discs (Whatman No. 1, 2.0 cm diam.), treated with a 1% solution (25 µl) of the test compound (1% solution = 80 mg/cm², which results from the use of a 10,000 ppm solution; Lajide et al., 1995) and placed on aluminum foil, were used as the treated substrate. Termites (*R. speratus* workers, older than third instar) were allowed to feed on the discs for 14 days before the remaining areas of treatment and control discs were measured. The antifeeding activity was reported as AI = [T/(C+T)].

T. molitor showed the lowest energy conformations of **52**, **211** and **290** to share a common geometry in which the C-4,18 moiety (i.e. the C-18 carbonyl from the unsaturated lactone or the C-4,18 oxirane ring) and the furan ring in the different molecules can be superimposed upon each other (Enriz et al., 1994, 2000). Maps of the molecular electrostatic potential (MEP) for these compounds revealed similar electronic properties in the vicinity of these groups. It was hypothesized that these moieties might act as essential binding sites to a common receptor, with a required distance of 9.8–10.8 Å between the active centers.

In view of the general importance of these key structural elements as described in (i)—(iii) it can be speculated that these groups may act as binding sites in a similar fashion with other insect

- species, though a different geometry may be required. Salviarin 294 differs from 290 both in the spatial orientation of the lactone and the furan ring and in the position of the unsaturation. For *T. molitor* 294 is inactive, but with *S. littoralis* 294 and related clerodanes display moderate antifeedant activity, suggesting that different geometry requirements may exist for *T. molitor* and *S. littoralis*. Interestingly, the furan ring in 294 appears to protrude into the same region of space that is occupied by the furofuran moiety in many active clerodanes, such as 143 (Fig. 11).
- v. Both rings in the decalin fragment regularly are substituted with additional hydroxyl or ester groups, but these do not seem to be essential for antifeedant activity, since the non-substituted

analogues often show comparable activities. In combination with a furofuran sidechain at C-9 however, the presence of a hydroxyl group at C-2 and an ester at C-3 markedly increases the activity against a number of Lepidopteran insect species.

Additional substituents may also affect antifeedant activity by changing the conformation of the molecule. The low activity of 83 and 174 on S. littoralis compared to related clerodane diterpenes has been attributed (Belles et al., 1985) to the presence of a substituent at C-1 forcing ring A into a skew boat conformation and possibly also limiting the rotational freedom of the C-9 sidechain; more recent data (Bremner et al., 1998) suggest that for 174 the loss of unsaturation in the furofuran moiety is a more likely reason for the observed inactivity (174 vs. 172 and 173). A rigid ring A boat-conformation enforced by an C-2,19 ether bridge is reported to favour high antifeedant activity for several Lepidoptan insects when present in diterpenes with a C-9 furofuran sidechain (e.g. 199, 200, 204) (Anderson et al., 1989; Blaney et al., 1994a,b; Bruno et al., 1999a,b).

The general observations under (i)–(v) represent a reasonable summary of the structural features involved in the overall antifeedant activity of clerodane diterpenes. However, it must be stressed that the underlying mechanisms of insect antifeedant activity are more complex than this simplified picture suggests. For clerodanes active against *L. decemlineata* for instance, some compounds display strong activity in either dualchoice or no-choice tests only, while others are active in both types of assays (Fig. 8, Table 11). These effects may be attributed to the mixture of (sensory) antifeedant activity and toxic effects that have been shown to occur with clerodanes for this insect species (Ortego et al., 1995; López-Olguin et al., 1999; Gonzàlez-Coloma et al., 2000).

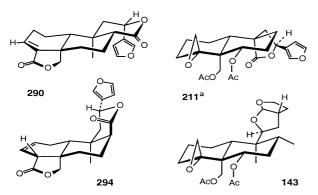


Fig. 11. ^aThe 8α-CH₃ substituent in **211** was omitted for clarity.

Continued investigations into the biological mechanisms involved in insect antifeedant activity may provide the means to differentiate among different types of antifeedants and give better defined sets of clerodanes with a distinct mode of action from which more detailed structure-activity relationships can be deduced. Electrophysiological techniques have been widely used to study the action of insect antifeedants at the cellular level (Schoonhoven, 1982; Schoonhoven et al., 1992) and may prove useful in this respect. Similar comments can be made regarding the biomolecular targets the clerodanes interact with and from which little is known at present (Norris, 1986; Simmonds et al., 1990; Mullin et al., 1994).

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