

Anasterocerebroside A, a New Glucosylceramide from the Patagonian Starfish *Anasterias minuta*

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Eight glucosylceramides (**1–8**) were isolated from the water-insoluble lipid fraction of a methylene chloride/methanol/water extract of the Patagonian starfish *Anasterias minuta*. One of the constituents was identified as a new glucosylceramide, anasterocerebroside A (**1**), while the known glucosylceramide **7** was isolated and characterized for the first time as a pure compound. The structures of **1** and **7** were established by spectroscopic and chemical methods.

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