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Terpenoids and steroids isolated from *Calophyllum polyanthum*

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ABSTRACT

Three triterpenoids, one diterpenoid and two steroids were isolated from the aerial parts of *Calophyllum polyathum*. The structures of these compounds were determined by 1D NMR and mass spectroscopic data. Among them, compounds 1, 3, and 4 was obtained for the first time from *Calophyllum polyathum*.

Keywords: *Calophyllum polyathum*; Guttiferae; Terpenoid; Steroid; Structure elucidation

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Introduction

The genus *Calophyllum* (Guttiferae) comprises about 200 species, mainly distributed in tropical areas [1]. Many plants of the *Calophyllum* are used as traditional herbal medicines to treat peptic ulcer, malaria, high blood pressure, inflammations, trauma infection, et al. [2-4]. Previous phytochemical studies have revealed that the genus *Calophyllum* is rich in active natural products, such as coumarins, xanthenes, flavonoids, terpenoids [5-7]. There are four species in China, and *Calophyllum polyanthum* is one of them. In our search for bioactive constituents from this plant, an investigation of the chemical constituents of *Calophyllum polyanthum* Wall. ex Choisy, which was collected in Yunnan Province Longchuan County, led to the isolation of six compounds, cassipourol (**1**) [8], friedelin (**2**) [9], glut-5-en-3 β -ol (**3**) [10], putranjivic acid (**4**) [11], a 1:1 mixture of β -sitosterol (**5**) and stigmasterol (**6**) [12]. In this manuscript, the isolation, 1D NMR and mass spectroscopic data of these compounds are presented.

Results and discussion

1D NMR and mass spectroscopic data

Cassipourol (1). colorless liquid. FAB-MS(m/z): 295 ([M+H]⁺, C₂₀H₃₈O). ¹H-NMR (Chloroform-d, 600 MHz) δ_{H} 5.40 (1H, tq, J = 6.9, 1.4 Hz, H-14), 4.15 (2H, d, J = 7.0 Hz, H-15), 1.66 (3H, s, H-20), 0.87 (3H, s, H-16), 0.86 (3H, s, H-17). ¹³C-NMR (Chloroform-d, 151 MHz) δ_{C} 140.5 (C-13), 123.3 (C-14), 59.6 (C-15), 40.1 (C-12), 39.6 (C-2), 37.6 (C-10), 37.6 (C-8), 37.5 (C-4), 36.9 (C-1), 33.0 (C-6), 32.9 (C-9), 28.2 (C-5), 25.4 (C-11), 25.0 (C-3), 24.7 (C-7), 22.9 (C-16), 22.8 (C-17), 20.0 (C-18), 19.9 (C-19), 16.4 (C-20).

Friedelin (2). colorless needle crystal. ESI-MS(m/z): 465 ([M+K]⁺, C₃₀H₅₀O); ¹H-NMR (Chloroform-d, 600 MHz) δ_{H} 1.17 (3H, s, H-28), 1.04 (3H, s, H-27), 1.00 (3H, s, H-26), 0.99 (3H,

s, H-30), 0.95 (3H, s, H-29), 0.88 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, H-23), 0.86 (3H, s, H-25), 0.72 (3H, s, H-24); ¹³C-NMR (Chloroform-d, 151 MHz) δ_{C} 213.5 (C-3), 59.7 (C-10), 58.4 (C-4), 53.3 (C-8), 43.0 (C-18), 42.4 (C-5), 41.7 (C-2), 41.5 (C-6), 39.9 (C-13), 39.5 (C-22), 38.5 (C-10), 37.6 (C-9), 36.2 (C-16), 35.8 (C-11), 35.5 (C-19), 35.2 (C-29), 33.0 (C-21), 32.6 (C-28), 32.3 (C-15), 32.0 (C-30), 30.7 (C-12), 30.2 (C-17), 28.4 (C-20), 22.5 (C-1), 20.5 (C-26), 18.9 (C-27), 18.4 (C-7), 18.2 (C-24), 14.9 (C-25), 7.1 (C-23).

Glut-5-en-3 β -ol (3). colorless needle. EI-MS (m/z): 426 ([M]⁺, C₃₀H₅₀O); ¹H-NMR (Chloroform-d, 600 MHz) δ_{H} 5.63 (1H, d, J = 5.9 Hz, H-6), 3.47 (1H, s, H-3), 1.16 (3H, s, H-27), 1.14 (3H, s, H-26), 1.09 (3H, s, H-25), 1.04 (3H, s, H-29), 1.00 (3H, s, H-30), 0.99 (3H, s, H-23), 0.95 (3H, s, H-28), 0.85 (3H, s, H-24). ¹³C-NMR (Chloroform-d, 151 MHz) δ_{C} 141.8 (C-5), 122.3 (C-6), 76.5 (C-3), 49.9 (C-10), 47.6 (C-18), 43.3 (C-8), 41.0 (C-14), 39.5 (C-4), 39.2 (C-22), 38.0 (C-13), 36.2 (C-16), 35.3 (C-19), 35.0 (C-9), 34.8 (C-11), 34.7 (C-29), 33.3 (C-21), 32.6 (C-28), 32.3 (C-15), 32.3 (C-30), 30.6 (C-12), 30.3 (C-17), 29.2 (C-23), 28.5 (C-20), 28.0 (C-7), 25.7 (C-24), 23.8 (C-1), 19.8 (C-27), 18.6 (C-26), 18.4 (C-2), 16.4 (C-25).

Putranjivic acid (4). colourless needles. ESI MS(m/z): 441([M-H]⁻, C₃₀H₅₀O₂). ¹H-NMR (Chloroform-d, 600 MHz) δ_{H} 5.61 (1H, dd, J = 17.4, 10.7 Hz, H-4), 4.91 (2H, m, H-23), 2.33 (2H, m, H₂-2), 1.17 (3H, s, H₃-5), 1.02 (3H, s, CH₃), 0.99 (6H, s, 2 \times CH₃), 0.94 (3H, s, CH₃), 0.88 (3H, s, CH₃). ¹³C-NMR (Chloroform-d, 151 MHz) δ_{C} 179.2 (C-3), 151.1 (C-4), 111.2 (C-23), 58.4 (C-10), 53.2 (C-8), 43.0 (C-18), 42.3 (C-5), 41.7 (C-2), 39.8 (C-13), 39.5 (C-22), 38.8 (C-14), 38.5 (C-9), 37.2 (C-6), 36.2 (C-16), 35.5 (C-19), 35.4 (C-11), 35.2 (C-30), 33.0 (C-21), 32.5 (C-15), 32.3 (C-29), 32.0 (C-28), 30.4 (C-12),

30.2 (C-17), 28.4 (C-20), 21.4 (C-1), 20.4 (C-27), 19.0 (C-26), 18.3 (C-25), 18.2 (C-24), 18.2 (C-7).

β -Sitosterol (5) and Stigmasterol (6). colourless needles. EI-MS(m/z): 400([M]⁺, C₂₈H₄₈O), 412([M]⁺, C₂₉H₄₈O). ¹H-NMR (Chloroform-d, 600 MHz) δ_{H} 5.35 (2H, d, J = 5.2 Hz, H-6), 5.15 (1H, dd, J = 15.2, 8.7 Hz, H-22), 5.01 (1H, dd, J = 15.2, 8.6 Hz, H-23), 3.52 (2H, m, H-3), 1.02 (3H, d, J = 7.0 Hz, 21-CH₃), 1.01 (3H, s, 19-CH₃), 0.85 (3H, d, J = 6.24 Hz, 26-CH₃), 0.82 (3H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, 29-CH₃), 0.80 (3H, d, J = 5.82 Hz, 27-CH₃), 0.68 (3H, s, 18-CH₃). β -Sitosterol (5): ¹³C-NMR (Chloroform-d, 151 MHz) δ_{C} 141.0 (C-5), 121.9 (C-6), 72.0 (C-3), 57.0 (C-14), 56.2 (C-17), 50.4 (C-9), 46.0 (C-24), 42.5 (C-13), 42.4 (C-4), 39.9 (C-12), 37.5 (C-1), 36.7 (C-10), 36.4 (C-20), 34.1 (C-22), 32.1 (C-8), 32.1 (C-7), 31.9 (C-2), 29.3 (C-25), 28.5 (C-16), 26.3 (C-23), 24.5 (C-15), 23.3 (C-28), 21.4 (C-11), 20.0 (C-26), 19.6 (C-19), 19.2 (C-27), 19.0 (C-21), 12.1 (C-18). Stigmasterol (6): ¹³C-NMR (Chloroform-d, 151 MHz) δ_{C} 141.0 (C-5), 138.5 (C-22), 129.5 (C-23), 121.9 (C-6), 72.0 (C-3), 57.1 (C-14), 56.3 (C-17), 51.5 (C-24), 50.4 (C-9), 42.5 (C-13), 42.4 (C-4), 40.7 (C-20), 40.0 (C-12), 37.5 (C-1), 36.7 (C-10), 32.1 (C-8), 32.1 (C-7), 32.1 (C-25), 31.9 (C-2), 29.1 (C-16), 25.6 (C-28), 24.6 (C-15), 21.4 (C-11), 21.3 (C-26), 21.3 (C-21), 19.6 (C-19), 19.2 (C-27), 12.3 (C-29), 12.2 (C-18).

Experimental Section

General

NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III-600 spectrometer in CDCl₃ with TMS as internal standard. Mass spectra were taken on a VG Auto spec-3000 spectrometer or on a Finnigan MAT 90 instrument. Materials for column chromatography were silica gel (200–300 mesh; Qingdao Marine Chemical Inc.),

Sephadex LH-20 (40–70 μm ; Merk Co., Ltd.), and RP-18 (40–60 μm ; YMC, Milford, MA). Spots were visualized under UV light (254 nm) or by spraying with 10% H₂SO₄ in 95% EtOH (v/v) followed by heating.

Plant material

The aerial parts of *C. polyathum polyanthum* Wall. ex Choisy were collected in Longchuan County, Dehong Prefecture, Yunnan Province, P. R. China, in April 2019. Identification of the plant was performed by Prof. Tang Li-ping of Kunming Medical University. A voucher specimen is deposited in Kunming Medical University.

Extraction and isolation

Powder (20.0 kg) of the dried aerial parts was extracted with 95% EtOH (60 L \times 3) at room temperature. Filtration and condensation of the solution to dryness under vacuum yielded an extract (1.40 kg). The extract was fractionated over MCI gel (CHP20p) column chromatograph with MeOH-H₂O (0%, 10%, 30%, 50%, 70%, 85%, 95%) to obtain five fractions (A–F). Decolorized fraction F (100.8 g) and E (85.0 g) were combined and subjected to silica gel column chromatograph (PE/EA, 400:1 to 0:100 (v/v)) to give 26 fractions (EF₁–EF₂₆).

Fraction EF₈ (438.0 mg) was chromatographed on silica gel column chromatograph (200–300 mesh) eluting with PE/EA (100:1 to 1:1 (v/v)) and then purified by Sephadex LH-20 column chromatograph with CH₂Cl₂-MeOH (3:1 (v/v)) to give compound **2** (14.0 mg). Fraction EF₉ (10.0 g) was subjected to silica gel column chromatograph eluted with PE/EA (100:1 to 1:1 (v/v)) to get compound **3** (8.0 mg). Fraction EF₁₁ (2.3 g) was chromatography over silica gel column chromatograph eluted with PE/EA (100:1 to 1:1 (v/v)) to obtain 13 fractions (EF₁₁₋₁~EF₁₁₋₁₃). Fraction EF₁₁₋₉ (200.0 mg) was separated on Sephadex LH-20 column chromatograph with

CH₂Cl₂-MeOH (3:1 (v/v)) and then purified by RP silica gel (RP-18) with MeOH-H₂O (70:30 to 0:100 (v/v)) to give compound **1** (14.0 mg).

Fraction EF₁₄ (5.0 g) was subjected to silica gel CC eluted with PE/EA (100:1 to 1:1 (v/v)) to give 33 fractions (Fr. EF₁₄₋₁~EF₁₄₋₃₃). Fraction EF₁₄₋₁₂ (258.0 mg) was separated by Sephadex LH-20 column chromatograph with CH₂Cl₂-MeOH (3:1 (v/v)) to acquire 12 fractions (Fr. EF₁₄₋₁₂₋₁~Fr. EF₁₄₋₁₂₋₁₂). Fraction EF₁₄₋₁₂₋₄ (32.7 mg) was separated by preparative TLC with

petroleum ether-dichloromethane (3:1 (v/v)) to yield compound **5** and **6** (10.4 mg). Fraction EF₁₄₋₉ (416.0 mg) was isolated over Sephadex LH-20 column chromatograph with CH₂Cl₂-MeOH (3:1 (v/v)) to give 15 fractions (Fr. EF₁₄₋₉₋₁~Fr. EF₁₄₋₉₋₁₅). Fraction EF₁₄₋₉₋₁₂ (170.0 mg) was separated by RP-18 silica gel column chromatograph with MeOH-H₂O (70:30 to 0:100 (v/v)) and then purified by preparative TLC with petroleum ether-dichloromethane (3:1 (v/v)) to yield compound **4** (5.0 mg).

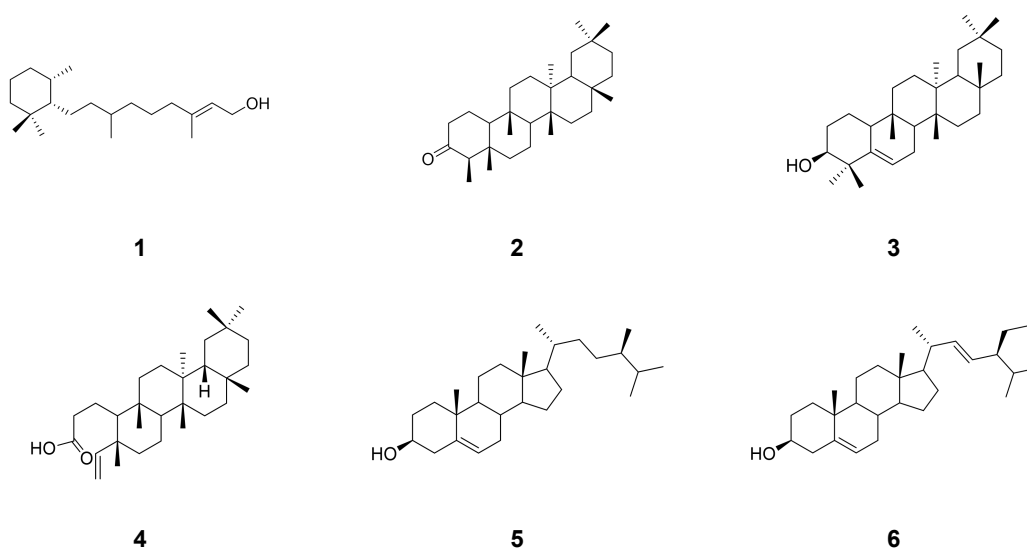


Figure 1. Structures of compounds 1–6

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