

CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS OF *Saxifraga umbellulata*

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*Saxifraga umbellulata* belongs to the genus *Saxifraga*, which has about 203 species in China [1]. In China *Saxifraga umbellulata* grows mainly in high cold areas such as the southwest of Qinghai, Gansu Province [2]. It is used as a herb medicine to treat hepatitis, cholecystitis, influenza, fever, skin ulcer, and so on. As part of the continuous research on *S. umbellulata* [3, 4], eight compounds were isolated from *Saxifraga umbellulata* for the first time.

The powder of *S. umbellulata* [3] was extracted by ethanol refluxing repeatedly (12 L × 2, 2 h the first time, 1 h the second time). The EtOH extract was concentrated under reduced pressure to give a residue (320 g), and the residue was sequentially partitioned with petroleum ether (PE) (90–100°C) (0.5 L × 4), EtOAc (0.5 L × 4), and *n*-BuOH (0.5 L × 4).

The EtOAc fraction (45 g) was chromatographed on a silica gel column (4.0 × 120 cm) eluted with PE–acetone (50:1–0:1) gradually to yield 10 fractions (Frs. 1–10) according to TLC analysis. Fraction 8 (0.5 g) was retreated on a silica gel (300–400 mesh, 15 g) column eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH (20:1) and then retreated on an LH-20 (20–150 μm, 25 g) column eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH (1:1) repeatedly to obtain compounds **1** (10 mg) and **2** (12 mg).

The PE fraction (70 g) was chromatographed on a silica gel column (5.0 × 150 cm) eluted with PE–EtOAc (100:1–0:1) gradually to yield eight fractions (Frs. 1–8) according to TLC analysis. Fraction 1 (1.5 g) was retreated on a silica gel (300–400 mesh, 50 g) column eluted with PE–EtOAc (60:1) to obtain **3** (8 mg). Fraction 3 (2.0 g) was retreated on a silica gel (300–400 mesh, 60 g) column eluted with PE–EtOAc (40:1) to obtain **4** (8 mg). Fraction 4 (4.5 g) was retreated on a silica gel (300–400 mesh, 120 g) column eluted with PE–EtOAc (30:1) to obtain **5** (15 mg).

The *n*-BuOH fraction (75 g) was chromatographed on a silica gel column (5.0 × 150 cm) eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH (15:1–0:1) gradually to yield 10 fractions (Frs. 1–10) according to TLC analysis. Fraction 3 (1.0 g) was retreated on an LH-20 (20–150 μm, 25 g) column eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH (1:1) to obtain **6** (6 mg). Fraction 5 (5.0 g) was retreated on an LH-20 (20–150 μm, 25 g) column eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH (1:1) and then on an LH-20 (20–150 μm, 25 g) column eluted with H<sub>2</sub>O–MeOH (1:1) to obtain **7** (5 mg). Fraction 10 (2.0 g) was retreated on an LH-20 (20–150 μm, 25 g) column eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH (1:1) and then on an LH-20 (20–150 μm, 25 g) column eluted with H<sub>2</sub>O–MeOH (1:1) to obtain **8** (5 mg).

**Daucosterol (1)**, C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>60</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, white powder, mp 294–296°C. MS *m/z*: 576 [M]<sup>+</sup>, 558 (M<sup>+</sup> – 18). IR (KBr, ν<sub>max</sub>, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3410 (OH), 2960, 2940, 2868, 1630, 1463, 1370 [5].

**Digalactosyl-diacylglycerol (2)**, yellow oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, δ, ppm, J/Hz): 5.11 (1H, m, H-2), 4.90 (1H, s, OH), 4.73 (2H, s, OH), 4.68 (1H, d, J = 4.0, H-1'''), 4.53 (1H, s, OH), 4.50 (1H, s, OH), 4.38 (2H, s, OH), 4.31 and 4.15 (each 1H, m, H-1), 4.13 (1H, d, J = 7.2, H-1'''), 3.82 and 3.62 (each 1H, m, H-3), 2.28 (4H, t, J = 6.8, H-2', 2''), 1.27 (4H, m, H-4', 4''), 1.28 (4H, m, H-ω-2', 2''), 1.24 (4H, m, H-3', 3''), 0.86 (4H, t, J = 7.2, H-ω', ω''). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, δ, ppm): 173.3 (C-1', 1''), 104.3 (C-1'''), 100.2 (C-1''''), 73.8 (C-2'''), 73.7 (C-5'''), 71.9 (C-4'''), 70.9 (C-4''''), 70.5 (C-2), 70.2 (C-2''''), 69.5 (C-3'''), 69.0 (C-5''''), 68.6 (C-3''''), 67.2 (C-3), 67.10 (C-6'''), 63.0 (C-1), 61.2 (C-6''''), 34.1 (C-2', 2''), 31.24 (C-3', 3''), 29.7 (C-5'-C-ω-2', C-5''-C-ω-2''), 29.1 (C-4', 4''), 22.7 (C-ω-1', 1''), 14.61 (C-ω', ω'') [6].

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**$\alpha$ -Palmitoyl- $\beta$ -linoleoyl- $\alpha'$ -linoleoyl-glycerol (3)**, colorless oil, C<sub>55</sub>H<sub>98</sub>O<sub>6</sub>. ESI-MS  $m/z$  855 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 4.31 (2H, dd, J = 11.8, 4.4, -OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O)-CH<sub>2</sub>-O), 4.16 (2H, dd, J = 11.8, 5.8, OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O)-CH<sub>2</sub>-O), 2.33 (2H, t, J = 7.2, H-2), 2.31 (4H, t, J = 7.2, 2  $\times$  CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.60–1.63 (6H, m, 3  $\times$  CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.28–1.47 (52H, m, 26  $\times$  CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.31–5.40 (8H, m, -CH=CH-), 2.79 (4H, t, J = 6.4, H-11), 2.07 (8H, q, J = 6.8, H-8, 14), 0.86–0.99 (9H, m, 3  $\times$  CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 62.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O)-CH<sub>2</sub>-O), 68.8 (1H, m, OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O)-CH<sub>2</sub>-O-COO), 173.2 (OCH<sub>2</sub>-CH(O)-CH<sub>2</sub>-O-COO), 33.9, 34.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>-2), 24.8, 22.6, 29.0, 29.2, 29.5, 29.6, 31.4 (CH<sub>2</sub> groups), 127.8, 128.0, 129.9, 130.1 (-CH=CH-), 25.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>-11), 27.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>-8), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub> groups) [7].

**Pentadecanoic acid heptadecyl ester (4)**, white powder, C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>64</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, mp 38–39°C (PE). EI-MS  $m/z$ : 481 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>, 285, 257, 239, 224, 196. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 4.05 (2H, t), 2.29 (2H, t), 1.27 (50H, br), 1.61 (4H, m), 0.88 (6H, t). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 174.00 (C=O), 64.39 (-CH<sub>2</sub>-O), 34.43 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.92 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.69 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.36 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.26 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.67 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.94 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.04 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.68 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 14.10 (CH<sub>3</sub>) [8].

**Phytol-1-hexanoate (5)**, white powder, C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>50</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. EI-MS  $m/z$ : 396 [M+2]<sup>+</sup>, 379, 364, 351, 278, 239, 71, 57. IR (KBr,  $\nu_{\max}$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2944, 1721, 1660, 1459, 1379, 1168, 1113, 1040. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.84 (3H, t, J = 7.6, H-5'), 0.85 (6H, d, J = 6.4, H-18, 19), 0.86 (6H, d, J = 6.8, H-16, 17), 1.68 (3H, s, H-20), 1.99 (2H, t, J = 6.5, H-4), 2.28 (2H, t, J = 7.2, H-1'), 4.58 (2H, d, J = 7.6, H-1), 5.34 (1H, ddd, J = 1.6, 7.2, 7.2, H-2) [9].

**5-O-Butylhirusutanonol (6)**, yellow amorphous powder. ESI-MS  $m/z$  400.9 [M - H]<sup>-</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.88 (3H, t, J = 6.8, H-4''), 1.32 (2H, m, H-3''), 1.42 (2H, m, H-2''), 1.61 (2H, m, H-6), 2.43 (1H, m, H-4), 2.43 (2H, m, H-7), 2.61 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 15.6, H-4), 2.67 (4H, m, H-1, 2), 3.65 (1H, m, H-5), 3.65 (2H, m, H-1'''), 6.39 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 8.0, H-6''), 6.41 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 8.0, H-6'), 6.55 (1H, d, J = 2.0, H-2'), 6.57 (1H, d, J = 2.0, H-2''), 6.60 (1H, d, J = 8.0, H-5''), 6.62 (1H, d, J = 8.0, H-5'). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 30.1 (C-1), 46.2 (C-2), 210.9 (C-3), 48.7 (C-4), 76.6 (C-5), 37.4 (C-6), 31.7 (C-7), 134.9 (C-1'), 116.2 (C-2'), 144.4 (C-3'), 146.0 (C-4'), 116.3 (C-5'), 120.6 (C-6'), 134.0 (C-1''), 116.5 (C-2''), 144.2 (C-3''), 146.1 (C-4''), 116.3 (C-5''), 120.5 (C-6''), 70.0 (C-1'''), 33.2 (C-2'''), 19.9 (C-3'''), 14.2 (C-4''') [10].

**(5S)-1,7-Bis(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-5-hydroxyheptan-3-one-5-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (7)**, brown oil, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>11</sub>. FAB-MS  $m/z$  507 [M - H]<sup>-</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.67–1.64 (2H, m, H-6), 2.40, 2.62 (each 1H, m, H-4), 2.46 (1H, m, H-7), 2.51, 2.57 (each 1H, m, H-2), 2.52 (2H, m, H-1), 4.07 (1H, m, H-5), 4.32 (1H, br.d, J = 7.2, H-1'''), 6.30 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 8.0, H-6'), 6.46 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 8.0, H-6''), 6.52 (1H, d, J = 2.0, H-2'), 6.60 (1H, d, J = 2.0, H-2''), 6.60 (1H, d, J = 8.0, H-5'), 6.64 (1H, d, J = 8.0, H-5'') [11].

**3,5-Dicafeoylquinic acid (8)**, yellow powder, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>12</sub>, mp 139–141°C. ESI-MS  $m/z$ : 515 [M - H]<sup>-</sup>, 353 [M - 162]<sup>-</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 1.94 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 13.2, H-6 $\beta$ ), 1.96 (1H, dd, J = 3.2, 14.4, H-2 $\alpha$ ), 2.13 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 13.2, H-6 $\alpha$ ), 2.15 (1H, dd, J = 3.2, 14.4, H-2 $\beta$ ), 4.15 (1H, dd, J = 3.6, 9.6, H-4), 5.20 (1H, ddd, J = 3.6, 9.6, 10.2, H-5), 5.35 (1H, ddd, J = 3.2, 3.6, 4.0, H-3), 6.17 (1H, d, J = 16.0, H-8''), 6.25 (1H, d, J = 16.0, H-8'), 6.77 (1H, d, J = 8.0, H-5''), 6.79 (1H, d, J = 8.0, H-5'), 6.99 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 8.0, H-6''), 7.00 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 8.0, H-6'), 7.05 (1H, d, J = 2.0, H-2'), 7.06 (1H, d, J = 2.0, H-2''), 7.49 (1H, d, J = 16.0, H-7'), 7.50 (1H, d, J = 16.0, H-7''). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 74.6 (C-1), 36.3 (C-2), 72.6 (C-3), 70.6 (C-4), 72.1 (C-5), 37.7 (C-6), 177.2 (C-7), 127.6 (C-1'), 115.1 (C-2'), 146.7 (C-3'), 149.5 (C-4'), 116.3 (C-5'), 123.0 (C-6'), 147.3 (C-7'), 115.3 (C-8'), 168.4 (C-9'), 127.8 (C-1''), 115.2 (C-2''), 146.7 (C-3''), 149.6 (C-4''), 116.5 (C-5''), 123.0 (C-6''), 147.0 (C-7''), 115.6 (C-8''), 168.9 (C-9'') [12].

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