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The Constituents of Ledebouriella seseloides Wolff. I. Structures of Three New Chromones

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Three new chromones (8, 9, and 12), named 3'-O-angeloylhamaudol, ledebouriellol, and 4'-O- β -D-glucosyl-5-O-methylvisamminol, respectively, were isolated from the root and rhizoma of *Ledebouriella seseloides* Wolff (Umbelliferae), together with five known coumarins (1—5) and six known chromones (6, 7, 10, 11, 13 and 14). The structures of 8, 9, and 12 were elucidated as (3S)-3,4-dihydro-5-hydroxy-3-(2-methyl-2-butenyl)oxy-2,2,8-trimethyl-2H,6H-benzo[1,2-b: 5,4-b']dipyran-6-one, (3S)-3,4-dihydro-2,2-dimethyl-5-hydroxy-8-hydroxymethyl-3-(2-methyl-2-butenyl)oxy-2H,6H-benzo[1,2-b: 5,4-b']dipyran-6-one, and (2S)-2,3-dihydro-2-(1- β -D-glucopyranosyloxy-1-methylethyl)-4-methoxy-7-methyl-5H-furo[3,2-g][1]benzopyran-5-one, respectively, by chemical and spectral studies.

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The dried root and rhizoma of Ledebouriella seseloides Wolff (Syn: Siler divaricatum Вентн. et Ноок, Trinia seseloides Ledeb., Trinia dahurica Turcz., Stenocoelium divaricatum Turcz., Saposhinkovia divaricata Schischk.) (Umbelliferae) have been used a diaphoretic, an analgesic, and an antipyretic under the name of "Fang feng" in China (Japanese name: "Bohu" 防風).1)

Since there have been no reports on the constituents of this crude drug, we now wish to report the structure elucidation of three new chromones (8, 9, and 12), isolated together with eleven known compounds from this crude drug.

The pulverized root and rhizoma of the plant were extracted with hexane and then methanol. The hexane extract was treated as described in the experimental section to afford five coumarins (1—5) and four chromones (6—9).

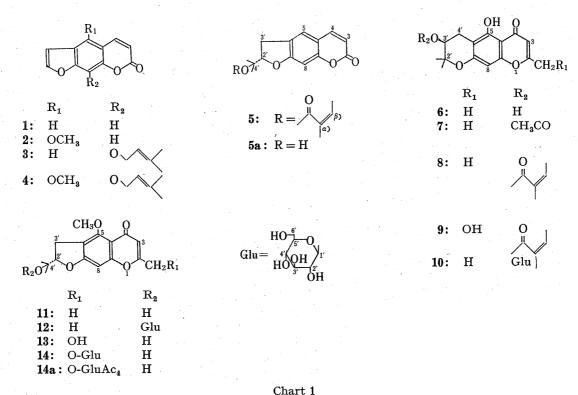
Compounds 1, 2, 3, and 4 were identified as psoralen, bergapten, imperatorin, and phellopterin, respectively, by comparison with authentic samples [mixed mp and infrared (IR) spectrum].²⁾ Compound 5 was identified as deltoin³⁾ by comparison of the IR and proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR) spectral data with those of an authentic sample and the identification was confirmed by the formation of marmesin (5a) on alkaline hydrolysis with 5% KOH-MeOH.

Compounds **6**, **7**, **8**, and **9** gave a brown coloration with ferric chloride, indicating the presence of a phenolic hydroxyl, and were presumed to be chromones from their ultraviolet $(UV)^{4a}$ and IR spectral data⁴⁾ as well as ¹H- and carbon (¹³C)-NMR spectral analysis. Compound **6**, mp 202—202.5°C, $[\alpha]_D$ —22.0° (CHCl₃), $C_{15}H_{16}O_5$, was identified as hamaudol by comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp, IR, and $[\alpha]_D$).⁵⁾ Compound **7**, mp 129.5—130°C, $[\alpha]_D$ —28.4° (CHCl₃), $C_{17}H_{18}O_6$, showed an absorption band of an ester carbonyl at 1740 cm⁻¹ in the IR spectrum (KBr), and exhibited signals of an acetyl group (δ 2.07, 3H, s) and a chelated hydroxy group (δ 13.02, 1H, s) in the ¹H-NMR spectrum (in CDCl₃). The ¹³C-NMR spectrum (in CDCl₃) of **7** closely resembled that of **6**, except for the signals assignable to C-2', -3', and -4'. The C-3' signal at δ 69.8 (d) showed a downfield shift by 0.9 ppm, and C-2' (δ 76.8, s) and C-4' (δ 22.6, t) showed upfield shifts by 1.8 and 2.9 ppm, respectively, compared with those of **6** (Table I). These observations could be interpreted as esterification shifts.⁶⁾ The signals at δ 21.0 (q) and δ 170.3 (s) were assignable to an acetyl group. All of the above data indicated that **7** might be 3'-O-acetylhamaudol.⁷⁾ On hydrolysis with 3% KOH–EtOH,

7 gave hamaudol (6). Compound 7 was thus identified as 3'-O-acetylhamaudol.

Compound 8 was obtained as colorless needles, mp $128-128.5^{\circ}$ C, $[\alpha]_{D}-56.8^{\circ}$ (CHCl₃), $C_{20}H_{22}O_{6}$. The IR spectrum (KBr) of 8 showed an absorption band at 1720 cm⁻¹, indicating the presence of an ester linkage in 8. The ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra (in CDCl₃) of 8 revealed almost the same chemical shifts as those of 7, except for signals due to the acyl moiety. The signals at δ 1.87 (3H, br s), 1.92 (3H, dq, J=7/1 Hz) and 6.07 (1H, q, J=7 Hz) in the ¹H-NMR spectrum, and those at 1.57 (q), 20.5 (q), 127.6 (s), 138.9 (d) and 166.9 (s) in the ¹³C-NMR spectrum as well as the strong peaks at m/z 83 and 55 in the mass spectrum (MS) of 8 indicated the presence of an angeloyl group in 8.8 On the basis of the above observations and the fact that hydrolysis of 8 with 3% KOH–EtOH afforded 6, the structure of 8 was elucidated as 3'-O-angeloylhamaudol.

Compound 9, named ledebouriellol, mp 97—99°C, $[\alpha]_D$ —41.8° (CHCl₃), $C_{20}H_{22}O_7$, was inferred to be a hydroxylated derivative of 8 by comparison of the ¹H-NMR spectrum with that of 8 and from its molecular formula. The ¹H-NMR spectrum (in CDCl₃) of 9 showed a signal due to a hydroxymethyl at δ 4.53 (2H, br s) instead of the olefinic methyl signal (δ 2.33) observed in 8. In the ¹³C-NMR spectrum (in CDCl₃) of 9, a signal attributable to a hydroxymethyl carbon was observed at δ 61.3 (t), but one of methyl signals observed at δ 20.5 (q) in 8 was absent. Other carbon signals were quite coincident with those of 8, except for the C-2 and C-3 carbons (β - and γ -positions relative to OH), which absorbed at δ 168.4 (s) and 106.2 (d) in 9, respectively. The β -carbon (C-2) appeared at lower field by 1.6 ppm and the γ -carbon (C-3) appeared at higher field by 2.2 ppm, compared with those of 8. This indicated that the methyl group at C-2 of 8 was hydroxylated in 9. The structure of ledebouriellol was thus elucidated as 9. The absolute configuration at C-3' of 9 was confirmed as S by comparison of the circular dichroism (CD) curve with those of 6 and 8 (Fig. 1).⁹



The methanolic extract was dissolved in water and extracted with EtOAc and then BuOH. The EtOAc extract was repeatedly subjected to silica gel column chromatography as described in the experimental section to furnish compounds 10, 11, and 13. The BuOH extract was

subjected to preparative high performance liquid chromatography (prep. HPLC) to give compounds 10, 12, 13, and 14.

Compound 11, mp 141—142°C, $[\alpha]_D$ +91.8° (CHCl₃), C₁₆H₁₈O₅, was identified as 5-O-methyl-visamminol on the basis of UV, IR, ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectral analysis as well as comparison of physical constants with those reported in the literature.^{10,11)}

Compound 13, mp 110—111°C, $[\alpha]_D$ +77.4° (CHCl₃), $C_{16}H_{18}O_6$, was identified as cimifugin by comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR).¹²⁾

Compound 10, mp 229—230°C, $[\alpha]_D$ —48.5° (MeOH), FD–MS, m/z: 438 (M⁺), gave a brown coloration with ferric chloride, indicating the presence of a phenolic hydroxy group. The ¹³C-NMR spectrum (Table I) exhibited six signals due to a β -D-glucopyranosyl moiety, and fifteen signals attributable to the aglycone moiety, which

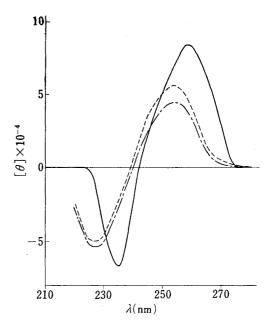


Fig. 1. CD Spectra of 6 (----), 8 (----), and 9 (----)

Table I. ¹³C Chemical Shifts (δ ppm in $CDCl_3$, 20 MHz)^{a)}

C-2 (s)				Carbon	$(R_1=H)$	(R ₁ =		$(R_1 = OH)$	$(R_1=H)$
		161.4	161.5	C-2 (s)	166.9	166.8	166.8	168.4	167.4
C-3 (d)		112.2	112.1	C-3 (d)	108.4	108.4	108.4	106.2	108.4
C-4 (d)		143.0	143.7	C-4 (s)	182.6	182.5	182.5	182.6	182.7
C-4a(s)		112.7	112.8	C-4a(s)	104.5	104.5	104.3	104.7	104.4
C-5 (d)		123.3	123.4	$C - 5^{b}(s)$	159.8	159.6	159.5	159.2	160.0
C-6 (s)		124.6	125.2	C-6 (s)	103.1	102.5	102.6	102.9	104.1
C-7 (s)		163.7	163.7	$C - 7^{b}$ (s)	159.1	158.8	158.9	159.5	159.6
C-8 (d)		97.8	97.9	C-8 (d)	94.9	94.8	94.7	94.9	94.9
C-8a(s)		155.8	155.7	C-8a(s)	156.3	156.3	156.2	155.9	156.3
C-2' (d)		89.2	91.2	$C-2-CH_2R_1$	20.6(q)	20.5((q) 20.5 (q)	61.3(t)	20.1(t)
C - 3' (s)		29.6	29.5	C - 2' (s)	78.6	76.8	76.9	76.7	78.4
C-4'(s)		82.0	71.6	C-3' (d)	68.9	69.8	69.7	69.5	74.3
gem-(CH ₃) ₂	(q)	21.4	24.5	C-4'(t)					
	(p)	22.3	26.0		25.5	22.6	22.7	22.7	22.3
				$gem-(CH_3)_2$ (q)	22.1	23.0	22.9	22.9	22.3
Angeloyl				(p)	25.0	24.7	24.9	24.9	25.7
α -CH $_3$	(p)	20.5		Others	Acetyl		Angeloyl		
β -CH $_3$	(p)	15.6			CH_3 (q)	21.0	α -CH ₃ (q) 20.5	20.5	
C = C	(s)	128.7			CO (s)	170.3	β -CH ₃ (q) 15.7	15.7	
	(d)	137.5					C=C(s) 127.6	127.4	
C = O	(s)	167.1					(d) 138.9	139.0	
							C=O(s) 166.9	167.0	
								Glu-1' (d)	102.4
								Glu-2' (d)	74.9
								Glu-3' (d)	78.4
								Glu-4' (d)	71.8
								Glu-5' (d)	78.4
								Glu-6' (t)	63.0

Multiplicity: s=singlet, d=doublet, t=triplet, q=quartet.

a) Spectra were recorded at 25°C in 5 mm spinning tubes as 0.1—0.5 м solutions. Compound 10 was measured in C₅D₅N. FT-NMR conditions: spectral width, 5000 Hz; pulse flipping angle, ca. 45°; acquisition time, 1.638 s; number of data points, 16384.

b) These assignments may be reversed.

Table II. ¹³C Chemical Shifts (δ ppm C₅D₅N, 20 MHz)^{α)}

Carbon	11 (R ₁ =H)	12 (R ₁ =H)	13 (R ₁ =OH)	14 R ₁ =O-Glu)	$(R_1 = O-GluAc_4)$
C-2 (s)	163.4	163.5	167.3	162.7	160.8
C-3 (d)	111.6	111.5	109.3	110.9	111.2
C-4 (s)	176.5	176.7	176.9	176.6	176.6
C-4a(s)	112.2	112.2	112.7	112.5	112.4
$C - 5^{b}(s)$	165.2	164.9	165.3	165.3	164.7
C-6 (s)	118.2	118.0	118.3	118.1	117.4
$C - 7^{b}$ (s)	160.1	159.9	159.9	159.7	159.5
C-8 (d)	93.9	93.9	94.0	94.0	93.8
C-8a(s)	156.2	156.2	156.3	156.1	156.1
2-CH_2R_1	19.3(q)	19.4(q)	60.8(t)	66.4(t)	66.3(t)
C-2' (d)	92.2	91.0	92.2	92.1	91.4
C - 3'(t)	27.9	28.2	28.0	27.9	27.8
C-4' (s)	70.8	77.8	70.8	70.8	71.6
$gem-(CH_3)_2$ (q)	25.6	22.5	25.7	25.6	24.4
(q)	26.2	23.5	26.2	26.0	25.6
OCH_3 (q)	60.9	60.8	60.9	60.8	61.0
Others	Glu-1' (d)	98.9		104.0	99.9
	Glu-2' (d)	75.0	•	74.8	71.1
	Glu-3' (d)	78.5		78.4	72.7
	Glu-4' (d)	71.5		71.4	68.2
	Glu-5' (d)	77.8		78.1	72.1
	Glu-6' (t)	62.5		62.6	61.8
	*				Acetyl
					CH_3 (q) 20.6(2C)
	•				20.7(2C)
					CO (s) 169.3(2C)
				•	170.2
					170.6

a) Spectra were measured under the conditions described in the footnote to Table I. That of 14a was taken in $\mathrm{CDCl_3}$.

bore a close resemblance to those of **6**. On the basis of the above observations and the fact that enzymatic hydrolysis of **10** furnished **6**, **10** was identified as 3'-O- β -D-glucopyranosylhamaudol (sec-O-glucosylhamaudol).¹¹⁾

Compound 12, mp 149—151°C, $[\alpha]_D$ +88.2° (MeOH), $C_{22}H_{28}O_{10}\cdot 1/2H_2O$, which was isolated here for the first time as a natural product, was assumed to be a glucoside of 5-O-methylvisamminol (11) on the basis of ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectral analysis. The ¹H-NMR spectrum (in C_5D_5N) of 12 showed a singlet methyl signal (δ 1.53, 6H), a broad singlet due to an olefinic methyl (δ 2.05, 3H), a sharp singlet due to a methoxyl (δ 4.00, 3H), an olefinic proton signal as a broad singlet (δ 6.07, 1H), and an aromatic proton signal (δ 6.60, 1H, s). A doublet at δ 5.10 (1H, J=7.5 Hz) could be assigned to an anomeric proton of the β -D-glucopyranosyl moiety. The ¹³C-NMR spectrum (in C_5D_5N) of 12 exhibited sixteen signals due to the aglycone moiety, which bore a close resemblance to those of 11, and six signals arising from the β -D-glucopyranosyl moiety, among which the anomeric carbon signal appeared a considerably higher field (δ 98.9, d) than that of 10.

Although the signals attributable to the aglycone moiety closely resembled those of 11, the following features were different. Namely, the C-4' carbon appeared at lower field (δ 77.8, s) in 12 by 7.0 ppm than in 11, and the *gem*-dimethyl group absorbed at higher field (δ 22.5 and 23.5, each q) than in 11 (δ 25.6 and 26.2). These observations indicate that the β -p-glucosyl moiety is linked to a tertiary hydroxy group of the aglycone¹³⁾ and the structure of 12 was suggested to be 4'-O- β -p-glucopyranosyl-5-O-methylvisamminol. Indeed, on hydrolysis

b) These assignments may be reversed.

with 10% HCl, 12 gave 11. The structure of 12 was thus elucidated.

Compound 14, $[\alpha]_D + 12.6^\circ$ (MeOH), FD-MS, m/z: 469 $[(M+H)^+]$, was obtained as an amorphous solid and afforded a crystalline tetraacetate (14a), mp 189.5—190°C, $[\alpha]_D + 6.7^\circ$ (CHCl₃), $C_{30}H_{36}O_{15}$. The IR spectrum (KBr) of 14a showed an absorption band at 3420 cm⁻¹, indicating the presence of a tertiary hydroxyl in 14. The ¹³C-NMR (in C_5D_5N) analysis of 14 suggested that 14 might be a glucoside of cimifugin (13). In fact, enzymatic hydrolysis of 14 afforded 13. On the other hand, the ¹³C-NMR spectrum of 14 showed downfield shifts of the C-2 hydroxymethyl carbon signal ($\Delta \delta + 5.6$ ppm) and the C-3 signal ($\Delta \delta + 1.6$ ppm), and an upfield shift of the C-2 signal ($\Delta \delta - 4.6$ ppm), compared with those of 13, indicating that the glucosyl moiety is linked to the 2-hydroxymethyl group of 13. Thus, 14 was elucidated as *prim-O*-glucosylcimifugin.¹¹⁾

Pharmacological studies on some of the chromones isolated from the plant were carried out. Compounds 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 showed hypotensive activity in the guinea pig; 11 and 13 showed more potent activity than the others and also increased coronary flow in the isolated guinea pig heart as determined by the Langendorff method. Further pharmacological studies of 11 and 13 are in progress.

Experimental

All melting points were determined on a Yanagimoto micromelting point apparatus (a hot stage type) and are uncorrected. The IR spectra were recorded with a Hitachi EPI-G2 unit. The ¹H-NMR spectra were taken with a Varian T-60 spectrometer, and ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded with a Varian FT-80A spectrometer with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. The mass spectra were measured with a JEOL JMS-DX 300 spectrometer. The specific rotations were recorded with a JASCO DIP-SL unit. The CD spectra were measured with a JASCO J-40A spectrometer. Prep. HPLC was carried out on a Waters Prep LC/System 500A apparatus and a JASCO Trirotar apparatus with a refractive index monitor. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck plates precoated with Kieselgel 60 F_{254} and preparative layer chromatography (PLC) was carried out on plates $(20 \times 20 \text{ cm}, 0.75 \text{ mm})$ thick) coated with Kieselgel PF₂₅₄ (Merck).

Isolation of 1—9——The dried and pulverized root and rhizoma of Ledebouriella seseloides (1 kg, commercial crude drug) were extracted with hexane (31×3) and then with MeOH (31×4) under reflux. The hexane extract (62 g) was dissolved in hexane (200 ml) and extracted with 90% MeOH $(150 \text{ ml} \times 4)$. The 90% MeOH solution was evaporated to dryness and the residue (9.7 g) was chromatographed over silica gel (200 g), developing with a hexane–EtOAc solvent system, to give five main fractions A (5.6 g), B (1.1 g), C (1.0 g) [each eluted with hexane–EtOAc (4:1)], D (0.58 g) [eluted with hexane–EtOAc (3:1)], and E (0.57 g) [eluted with hexane–EtOAc (1:1)].

Fractions C, D, and E were rechromatographed, independently, over silica gel with a hexane-ether solvent system to give 8 (from fraction C), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7 (from fraction D), 6 and 9 (from fraction E).

Psoralen (1)—Colorless needles from hexane-EtOAc, mp 164—165°C. IR $r_{\text{max}}^{\text{End}}$ cm⁻¹: 1720, 1710, 1630, 1575. This compound was identified as psoralen by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR). Yield 0.0005%.

Bergapten (2)—Colorless needles from EtOH, mp 187—189°C. IR $v_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm⁻¹: 1730, 1620, 1605, 1580. This compound was identified as bergapten by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR). Yield 0.001%.

Imperatorin (3)—Colorless prisms from EtOH-H₂O, mp 101—102°C. IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 1720, 1710, 1620, 1585. This compound was identified as imperatorin by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR). Yield 0.001%.

Phellopterin (4)——Slightly yellow needles from EtOH, mp 103.5—104.5°C. IR $v_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 1740, 1665, 1605, 1590. This compound was identified as phellopterin by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR). Yield 0.001%.

Deltoin (5)—Colorless prisms from ether–pet. ether, mp 106—107°C. [α]_D²³ -42.3° (c=0.62, CHCl₃). IR ν_{\max}^{KBr} cm⁻¹: 1725, 1710, 1625, 1570. UV $\lambda_{\max}^{\text{EtoH}}$ nm (log ε): 222 (4.30), 248 (3.73), 258 (3.63), 300 (sh 3.82), 333 (4.22). ¹H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.62 (6H, s, (CH₃)₂-C-OH), 3.24 (2H, d, J=9 Hz, H-3'), 5.05 (1H, t, J=9 Hz, H-2'), 6.15 (1H, d, J=9.5 Hz, H-3), 6.66 (1H, s, H-5), 7.18 (1H, s, H-8), 7.55 (1H, d, J=9.5 Hz, H-4). Angeloyl moiety: 1.67 (3H, br s, α-CH₃), 1.87 (3H, d, J=8 Hz, β-CH₃), 5.94 (1H, q, J=8 Hz, β-H). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table I. High resolution MS (m/z), Calcd for C₁₉H₂₀O₅ (M+): 328.1311. Found: 328.1311. MS, m/z (%): 328 (M+, 6), 228 (41), 213 (100), 83 (51), 55 (52). The IR and ¹H-NMR spectra were identical with those of an authentic sample of deltoin. Yield 0.007%.

Hydrolysis of 5——A solution of 5 (46 mg) in 5% KOH–MeOH (6 ml) was kept at 65°C for 3 h, then diluted with $\rm H_2O$ (20 ml), neutralized with 10% HCl, and extracted with chloroform (15 ml × 3). The combined chloroform solution was washed with water, dried over $\rm Na_2SO_4$ and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by PLC [hexane–EtOAc (1: 1)] to afford 5a (17.5 mg) as colorless prisms (from EtOAc), mp 190—191°C, $[\alpha]_{25}^{25} + 25.6^{\circ}$ (c=0.51, CHCl₃). IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 3440, 1700, 1625, 1565. This compound (5a) was identified as marmesin by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp, IR, and $[\alpha]_D$).

Hamaudol (6)——Slightly yellow needles from EtOH, mp 202—202.5°C, $[\alpha]_{max}^{25}$ — 22.0° (c=0.46, CHCl₃). This compound gave a brown coloration with 1% FeCl₃–EtOH on TLC. IR $v_{max}^{\text{KB}\tau}$ cm⁻¹: 3500, 1650, 1620, 1580. UV $\lambda_{max}^{\text{EtoH}}$ nm (log ε): 230 (4.22), 252 (4.27), 259 (4.27), 299 (3.98). Anal. Calcd for $C_{15}H_{16}O_5$: C, 65.21; H, 5.84. Found: C, 65.47; H, 5.86. MS, m/z (%): 276 (M+, 57), 217 (10), 205 (100), 176 (8), 123 (6). ¹H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.33, 1.38 (each 3H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.33 (3H, br s, 2-CH₃), 2.40 (1H, br s, 3'-OH, disappeared on addition of D₂O), 2.62, 3.03 (each 1H, dd, J=18/5.5 Hz, H-4'), 3.87 (1H, t, J=5.5 Hz, H-3'), 5.97 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.30 (1H, s, H-8), 12.93 (1H, br s, 5-OH, disappeared on addition of D₂O). CD (c=0.0101, MeOH) [θ]²⁵ (nm): 85000 (258), 0 (243), —66000 (235). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table I. This compound was identified as hamaudol by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp, IR, and [α]_D). Yield 0.001%.

3'-O-Acetylhamaudol (7)—Colorless needles from EtOH, mp 129.5—130°C, $[\alpha]_{max}^{25}$ —28.4° (c=0.88, CHCl₃). This compound gave a brown coloration with 1% FeCl₃—EtOH on TLC. IR ν_{max}^{RBI} cm⁻¹: 1740, 1645, 1630, 1585, 1580. UV λ_{max}^{EtOH} nm (log ε): 230 (4.27), 251 (4.30), 258 (4.29), 296 (3.98). Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₈O₆: C, 64.14; H, 5.70. Found: C, 64.36; H, 5.81. ¹H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.35 (6H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.33 (3H, br s, 2-CH₃), 2.07 (3H, s, OAc), 2.70, 3.05 (each 1H, dd, J=18/5.5 Hz, H-4'), 5.10 (1H, t, J=5.5 Hz, H-3'), 6.00 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.33 (1H, s, H-8), 13.02 (1H, br s, 5-OH, disappeared on addition of D₂O). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table I. Yield 0.002%.

Hydrolysis of 7——A solution of 7 (15 mg) in 3% KOH-EtOH (4 ml) was kept at 70°C for 30 min. The reaction mixture was passed through an Amberlite IR-120B (H⁺) column and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by PLC (benzene-EtOAc (4: 1)) to furnish 6 (7 mg), slightly yellow needles from EtOH, mp 202—203°C. This compound (6) was identified as hamaudol by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR).

3'-O-Angeloylhamaudol (8)—Colorless needles from EtOH, mp 128—128.5°C, $[\alpha]_{\rm max}^{\rm 25}$ —56.8° $(c=2.19, {\rm CHCl_3})$. This compound gave a brown coloration with 1% FeCl₃–EtOH on TLC. IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm Etr}$ cm⁻¹: 1720, 1680, 1630, 1590. UV $\lambda_{\rm max}^{\rm EtoH}$ nm (log ε): 225 (sh 4.37), 251 (4.28), 258 (4.27), 295 (3.95). High resolution MS (m/z), Calcd for C₂₀H₂₂O₆ (M⁺): 358.1415. Found: 358.1409. MS, m/z (%): 358 (M⁺, 8), 258 [M⁺—CH₃CH=C(CH₃)—COOH, 46], 243 (258—CH₃, 100), 83 [CH₃CH=C(CH₃)CO, 40], 55 [CH₃CH=C(CH₃), 73]. ¹H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.38 (6H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.33 (3H, br s, 2-CH₃), 2.73, 3.10 (each 1H, dd, J=18/5.5 Hz, H-4'), 5.18 (1H, t, J=5.5 Hz, H-3'), 5.98 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.32 (1H, s, H-8), 13.02 (1H, br s, 5-OH, disappeared on addition of D₂O). Angeloyl moiety: 1.87 (3H, br s, α -CH₃), 1.92 (3H, dq, J=7/1 Hz, β -CH₃), 6.07 (1H, q, J=7 Hz, β -H). CD (c=0.0092, MeOH) [θ]²³ (nm): +56000 (254), 0 (238), —49000 (227). The ¹⁸C-NMR spectral data are given in Table I. Yield 0.012%.

Hydrolysis of 8—A solution of 8 (38 mg) in 3% KOH-EtOH (5 ml) was kept at 70°C for 30 min, and then the reaction mixture was treated as described for the hydrolysis of 7 to give 6 (18 mg), slightly yellow needles from EtOH, mp 202°C. This compound (6) was identified as hamaudol by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR).

Ledebouriellol (9)—Colorless needles from hexane—acetone, mp 97—99°C, $[\alpha]_0^{25}$ —41.8° $(c=0.77, \text{CHCl}_3)$. This compound gave a brown coloration with 1% FeCl₃–EtOH on TLC. IR ν_{\max}^{RBr} cm⁻¹: 3360, 1710, 1660, 1625, 1580. UV $\lambda_{\max}^{\text{EloH}}$ nm (log ε): 227 (sh 4.41), 251 (4.31), 258 (4.30), 297 (3.99). High resolution MS (m/z), Calcd for $C_{20}H_{22}O_7$ (M⁺): 374.1365. Found: 374.1350. MS, m/z (%): 374 (M⁺, 2), 274 [M⁺—CH₃CH=C(CH₃)—COOH, 31], 259 (274—CH₃, 100), 83 [CH₃CH=C(CH₃)CO, 13], 55 [CH₃CH=C(CH₃), 36]. ¹H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.40 (6H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.70 (1H, br s, 2-CH₂OH, disappeared on addition of D_2O), 2.74, 3.06 (each 1H, dd, J=18/5.5 Hz, H-4'), 4.53 (2H, br s, 2-CH₂OH), 5.18 (1H, t, J=5.5 Hz, H-3'), 6.33 (2H, s, H-3 and H-8), 12.81 (1H, br s, 5-OH, disappeared on addition of D_2O). Angeloyl moiety: 1.88 (3H, br s, α-CH₃), 1.91 (3H, d, J=7 Hz, β-CH₃), 6.06 (1H, q, J=7 Hz, β-H). CD (c=0.0138, MeOH) [θ]²⁵ (nm): +45000 (254), 0 (239), —54000 (227). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table I. Yield 0.001%.

Isolation of 10—14—The methanolic extract (172 g) was dissolved in H_2O (400 ml), defatted with ether (400 ml \times 3), and extracted with EtOAc (40 ml \times 3) and then with BuOH (400 ml \times 3). The EtOAc extract (3.6 g) was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel with a chloroform-methanol solvent system to afford 10, 13, and a crude fraction containing 11. The crude fraction of 11 was rechromatographed over silica gel with a mixture of benzene-acetone (3:1) to give pure 11.

The BuOH-soluble part of the methanolic extract was concentrated to afford a brown mass (29.5 g), a portion (18.5 g) of which was subjected to column chromatography on charcoal (30 g), eluting with $\rm H_2O$ (1.2 l) and then MeOH (2 l). The MeOH eluate (6.7 g) was subjected to prep. HPLC to give crude fractions of 12, 13, and 14, and a small amount of pure 10. HPLC conditions: column, prep PAK/C₁₈ (5.7 cm i.d. \times 30 cm, Waters Assoc.); solvent, $\rm H_2O-MeOH$ (13: 7) for elution of 12, 13, and 14, and MeOH for elution of 10;

flow rate, 150 ml/min; apparatus, Waters Prep LC/System 500A.

The crude fraction of 12 (1.2 g) was rechromatographed over silica gel with a chloroform—methanol solvent system to give pure 12.

The crude fraction of 14 (2 g) was purified by silica gel column chromatography with a chloroform-methanol solvent system, followed by prep. HPLC to give pure 14. HPLC conditions: column, μ -Bondapak C₁₈ (8 mm i.d. \times 30 cm, Waters Assoc.); solvent, H₂O-MeOH (2:1); flow rate, 2 ml/min; apparatus, JASCO Trirotar.

sec-O-Glucosylhamaudol (10)——Colorless needles from EtOH, mp 229—230°C, $[\alpha]_{\rm n}^{28}$ —48.5° (c=0.68, MeOH). This compound gave a brown coloration with 1% FeCl₃–EtOH on TLC. IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm Ehr}$ cm⁻¹: 3700—3000, 1665, 1640, 1580. UV $\lambda_{\rm max}^{\rm EtOH}$ nm (log ε): 230 (4.25), 252 (4.29), 259 (4.29), 299 (4.00). FD–MS, m/z: 438 (M⁺). ¹H-NMR (δ in C₅D₅N): 1.48 (6H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.15 (3H, br s, 2-CH₃), 3.15 (2H, d, J=6 Hz, H-4′), 4.98 (1H, d, J=7.5 Hz, Glu-1′-H), 6.12 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.42 (1H, s, H-4), 13.58 (1H, br s, 5-OH, disappeared on addition of D₂O). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table I. Yield 0.07%.

Enzymatic Hydrolysis of 10— β -Glucosidase (Sigma Chem. Co., 15 mg) was added to a solution of 10 (26 mg) in a mixture of H_2O -DMSO (3:1) (6 ml). The mixture was allowed to stand overnight at 37° C and then extracted with EtOAc. The EtOAc extract was dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated to give 6 (9 mg) as slightly yellow needles from EtOH, mp 200— 201° C. This compound (6) was identified as hamaudol by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR).

5-*O*-Methylvisamminol (11)—Colorless needles from hexane–EtOAc, mp 141—142°C, $[\alpha]_{5}^{25}$ +91.8° (c=0.90, CHCl₃). IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 3360, 1655, 1625, 1610, 1595. UV $\lambda_{\rm max}^{\rm EtOH}$ nm (log ε): 232 (4.27), 245 (4.26), 252 (4.22), 289 (4.08). High resolution MS (m/z), Calcd for C₁₆H₁₈O₅ (M⁺): 290.1154. Found: 290.1168. MS, m/z (%): 290 (M⁺, 100), 275 (14), 257 (21), 231 (95), 213 (99), 201 (48), 186 (35), 59 (96). ¹H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.23, 1.33 (each 3H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.25 (3H, br s, 2-CH₃), 3.23 (2H, d, J=9 Hz, H-3′), 3.93 (3H, s, OCH₃), 4.72 (1H, t, J=9 Hz, H-2′), 5.95 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.48 (1H, s, H-8). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table II. Yield 0.001%.

4'-O-β-D-Glucosyl-5-O-methylvisamminol (12)—Colorless needles from H₂O, mp 149—151°C, [α]₂₅²⁵ +88.2° (c=1.66, MeOH). IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBT}$ cm⁻¹: 3700—3000, 1650, 1625, 1600, 1580. UV $\lambda_{\rm max}^{\rm EioH}$ nm (log ε): 232 (4.28), 244 (sh 4.26), 251 (4.21), 289 (4.07). FD-MS, m/z: 453 [(M+H)+]. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₂₈O₁₀· 1/2H₂O: C, 57.26; H, 6.33. Found: C, 57.15; H, 6.32. ¹H-NMR (δ in C₅D₅N): 1.53 (6H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.05 (3H, br s, 2-CH₃), 4.00 (3H, s, OMe), 4.95 (1H, dd, J=10/8Hz, H-2'), 5.10 (1H, d, J=7.5 Hz, Glu-1'-H), 6.07 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.60 (1H, s, H-8). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table II. Yield 0.15%.

Hydrolysis of 12—A solution of 12 (40 mg) in 5% HCl (4 ml) was kept at 90°C for 3 h, then neutralized with saturated NaHCO₃ solution, and extracted with EtOAc. The EtOAc extract was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to afford 11 (18 mg) as colorless needles (from EtOAc), mp 141—142°C, $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +90.8° (c= 0.88, CHCl₃). This compound was identified as 5-O-methylvisamminol (11) by direct comparison (mixed mp, IR, and $[\alpha]_D$).

Cimifugin (13)—Colorless needles from EtOH, mp 110—111°C, $[\alpha]_{25}^{25}$ +77.4° (c=1.07, CHCl₃). IR ν_{\max}^{KBr} cm⁻¹: 3360, 1655, 1620, 1580. UV $\lambda_{\max}^{\text{EtOH}}$ nm (log ε): 230 (sh 4.30), 244 (sh 4.28), 251 (sh 4.24), 291 (4.11). High resolution MS (m/z), Calcd for C₁₆H₁₈O₆ (M+): 306.1102. Found: 306.1071. MS, m/z (%): 306 (M+, 100), 291 (7), 273 (12), 247 (63), 229 (71), 217 (17), 205 (15), 202 (15), 59 (48). ¹H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.25, 1.37 (each 3H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 3.27 (2H, d, J=9 Hz, H-3'), 3.92 (3H, s, OMe), 4.47 (2H, br s, 2-CH₂OH), 4.72 (1H, t, J=9 Hz, H-2'), 6.22 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.40 (1H, s, H-8). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table II. Yield 0.05%. This compound was identified as cimifugin by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp and IR).

prim-O-Glucosylcimifugin (14)——Colorless amorphous solid, $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25}$ +12.6° (c=1.03, MeOH). IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 3700—3000, 1655, 1625, 1605. UV $\lambda_{\rm max}^{\rm BtOH}$ nm (log ε): 231 (sh 4.23), 245 (sh 4.18), 253 (sh 4.09), 292 (4.02). FD-MS, m/z: 469 [(M+H)+]. ¹H-NMR (δ in C₅D₅N): 1.40, 1.47 (each 3H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 4.02 (3H, s, OMe), 4.75 (2H, br s, 2-CH₂OH), 6.57 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.68 (1H, s, H-8). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table II.

Acetylation of 14—A solution of 14 (29 mg) in Ac₂O and pyridine (each 0.5 ml) was allowed to stand overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was poured into ice-water extracted with EtOAc. The EtOAc extract was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by PLC (benzene–acetone (1:1)) to afford the tetraacetate (14a, 33 mg) as a major product, and a minor product (5 mg). Compound 14a was obtained as colorless needles from hexane–EtOAc, mp 189.5—190°C, [α] (5 mg). Heavily (c=0.75, CHCl₃). IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{RBr}}$ cm⁻¹: 3420, 1745, 1670, 1625, 1605. UV $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{EtOH}}$ nm (log ε): 244 (sh 4.21), 251 (sh 4.16), 294 (4.05). Anal. Calcd for C₃₀H₃₆O₁₅: C, 56.60; H, 5.70. Found: C, 56.27; H, 5.68. H-NMR (δ in CDCl₃): 1.23, 1.33 (each 3H, s, gem-(CH₃)₂), 2.00, 2.07 (each 6H, s, 4×OAc), 3.25 (2H, d, J=9 Hz, H-3′), 3.5—3.9 (1H, m, Glu-5′-H), 3.93 (3H, s, OMe), 4.20 (center) (2H, m, Glu-6′-H), 4.57 (2H, br s, 2-CH₂-O-Glu), 4.73 (1H, t, J=9 Hz, H-2′), 4.5—5.3 (4H, m, Glu-1′,2′,3′,4′-H), 6.13 (1H, br s, H-3), 6.48 (1H, s, H-8). The ¹³C-NMR spectral data are given in Table II.

Enzymatic Hydrolysis of 14— β -Glucosidase (24 mg) was added to a solution of 14 (52 mg) in H₂O (5 ml). The mixture was allowed to stand overnight at 37°C and then extracted with EtOAc. The EtOAc extract was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to give 13 (28 mg), colorless needles from EtOH, mp 110—

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111°C, $[\alpha]_D^{24} + 71.2^{\circ}$ (c = 0.67, CHCl₃). This compound (13) was identified as cimifugin by direct comparison with an authentic sample (mixed mp, IR, and $[\alpha]_D$).

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angeloyl group



¹H-NMR: 1.38 (3H, dq, J=7/1 Hz, β -CH₃), 1.68 (3H, m, α -CH₃), 6.85 (1H, m, β -H). ¹³C-NMR: 12.2 (q, α -CH₃), 14.4 (q, β -CH₃), 128.8 (s), 137.5 (d) (C=C), 166.6 (s, C=O).

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