Gnetuhainin P, a New Isorhapontigenin Dimer from the Lianas of *Gnetum hainanense*

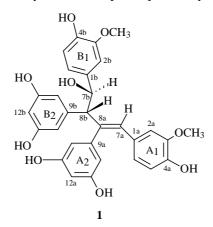
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Abstract: Gnetuhainin P, a new isorhapontigenin dimer, was isolated from the Lianas of *Gnetum* hainanense C. Y. Cheng. Its structure was established on the basis of spectroscopic evidence, especially 2D NMR techniques.

Keywords: Gnetuhainin P, Gnetum hainanense, Gnetaceae, Isorhapontigenin, dimer.

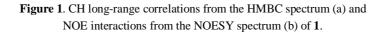
Continuous investigation on oligostilbenes from the lianas of *Gnetum hainanense* resulted in the isolation of a new rhapontigenin dimer, Gnetuhainin P (1), in addition to the dimers of resveratrol and oxyresveratrol reported previously¹.



Gnetuhainin P (1) was obtained as a yellowish amorphous powder, $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +6.6 (*c* 0.092, MeOH). The high resolution FABMS *m*/*z* 533.1866 [M+H]⁺ gave a molecular formula of C₃₀H₂₈O₉ (C₃₀H₂₉O₉ requires 533.1812), which corresponds to a isorhapontigenin dimer. The ¹H NMR spectrum presented two sets of ABX system signals for rings A₁ and B₁; two sets of AB₂ system signals for ring A₂ and B₂, two coupled doublets for two methine protons, a singlet for an olefinic proton and two singlets for the methyloxy groups. The HMBC spectrum (**Figure 1**, **a**) showed significant CH long-range correlations between H-7a/C-2a, 6a, 8b, H-10(14)a/C-8a,

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H-8b/C-7a, 8a, 10(14)b, H-7b/C-8a, 2b, 6b, which suggested that compound **1** was polymerized by two isorhapontigenin units through a linkage between C-8a and C-8b. The connectivity was different from that of gnetifolin O^2 . In the NOESY spectrum (**Figure 1**, **b**), the NOEs between H-7a/H-8b, H-7a/H-7b indicated a *cis* orientation of ring A₁ and A₂, and NOEs between H-8b/H-2b, 6b, H-7b/H-10(14)b suggested that H-7b and H-8b were in *trans* orientation, Thus the stereochemistry was determined to be as shown in **1**.



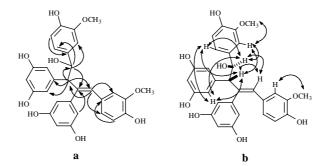


Table 1. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data for compound 1 (δ in ppm, J in Hz).^a

Position	¹ H	¹³ C	Position	^{1}H	¹³ C
1a		130.3	1b		136.3
2a	6.45 d (2.1)	112.6	2b	6.84 d (2.1)	111.7
3a		147.4	3b		147.4
4a		146.0	4b		146.0
5a	6.62 d (8.4)	115.0	5b	6.61 d (8.4)	114.8
6a	6.65 dd (8.4, 2.1)	123.7	6b	6.74 dd (8.4, 2.1)	120.6
7a	6.77 s	127.9	7b	5.05 d (9.9)	75.7
8a		141.6	8b	3.70 d (9.9)	64.7
9a		144.9	9b		143.8
10(14)a	6.08 d (2.1)	108.7	10(14)b	6.06 d (2.1)	108.4
11(13)a		159.4	11(13)b		158.4
12a	6.24 t (2.1)	101.8	12b	6.03 t (2.1)	101.3
OMe-3a	3.46 s	55.3	OMe-3b	3.70 s	56.0

^a Measured in CD₃COCD₃ at 300 MHz for ¹H NMR, 75 MHz for ¹³C NMR, respectively.

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