

## Chlorophytoside A, a New Labdane Diterpene Glycoside from *Chlorophytum laxum*

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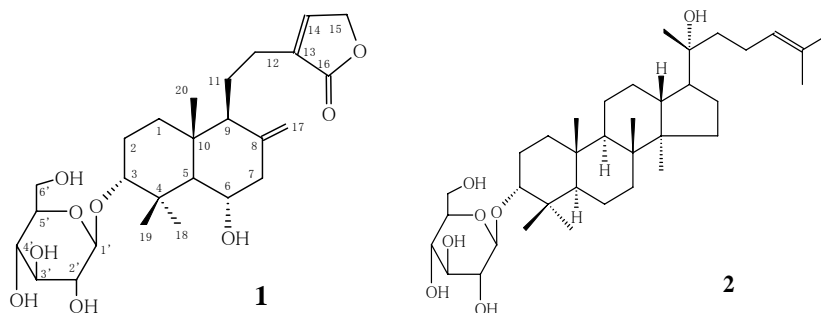
**Abstract:** A new labdane-type diterpene glycoside **1**, chlorophytoside A, had been isolated from *Chlorophytum laxum* R.Br. The structure had been elucidated as (10S)-6 $\alpha$ -hydroxy-labda-8,13-dien-15,16-olide 3R-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside on the basis of chemical and spectroscopic data.

**Keywords:** *Chlorophytum laxum*, labdane-type diterpene glycoside, chlorophytoside A.

*Chlorophytum laxum* R.Br is mainly distributed in south China. The aerial part of the plant is used as a folk medicine for the treatment of traumatic injury, poisonous snake bites, swelling and pain<sup>1</sup>. In order to find out bioactive constituents, from ethanolic extract of this plant we isolated a new labdane diterpene glucoside, named chlorophytoside A (**1**). The present paper describes the isolated and structure elucidation of compound **1**.

The EtOAc soluble fraction of ethanolic extract from the aerial part of the plant was applied to column chromatography over silica gel and Sephadex LH-20, respectively, to yield compound **1**.

**Figure 1** Chemical structure of compound **1**



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Compound **1** was a powder. It showed quasi-molecular ion peaks at  $m/z$  497  $[M+1]^+$ ,  $m/z$  519  $[M+Na]^+$  and  $m/z$  535  $[M+K]^+$  in the positive FAB-MS, consistent with a molecular formula of  $C_{26}H_{40}O_9$ , which suggests seven degrees of unsaturation. The IR spectrum of compound **1** exhibited strong absorption bands due to hydroxyl group ( $3381\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -unsaturated lactone ( $1751$  and  $1645\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). The  $^1\text{H}$ NMR spectrum of **1** showed the signals of three tertiary methyl groups ( $\delta$  0.77, 1.19, 1.86) and one anomeric proton ( $\delta$  4.90). The  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR spectrum of **1** gave 26 carbon signals including a diterpene moiety and one glucopyranosyl group ( $\delta$  101.5, 75.3, 78.8, 72.2, 78.4, 63.2)<sup>2</sup>, its glycosidic linkage showed to be in  $\beta$  configuration by the coupling constant ( $J=8.0$  Hz) of the anomeric proton signal. These  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR signals were assigned with the aid of  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  COSY, HMQC and HMBC spectra as shown in **Table 1**, and suggested compound **1** to be a labdane-type diterpene glucoside. The linkage position of the glucosyl unit was determined by the HMBC spectrum as shown in **Figure 2**.

Acidic hydrolysis of compound **1** gave glucose, which was detected as D-glucose by comparison with the authentic sample on paper chromatography.

The relative configurations of the aglycone moiety of compound **1** was achieved by the analysis of NOESY spectrum, and the key correlations were shown in **Figure 3**.

The absolute configuration of C-3 was established to be *R* by the comparison of the chemical shifts of the signals of C-2, C-3, C-4 and C-1' (anomeric carbon) between **1** and dammareniol-I 3*R*-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside(2), because the chemical shifts of  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\beta'$ -carbons of secondary alcohols to which  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranose was attached and

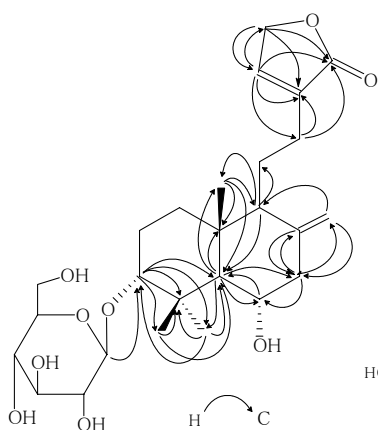
**Table 1**  $^1\text{H}$  (500 MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz) spectral data for compound **1** (in pyridine- $d_5$ ,  $\delta$  ppm)

H/C	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ ( $J_{\text{Hz}}$ )	$\delta_{\text{C}}$	H/C	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ ( $J_{\text{Hz}}$ )	$\delta_{\text{C}}$
1	1.44 (1H, dd, 13.0, 3.5)	32.5 (t)	13		134.1 (s)
	2.06 (1H, br s)		14	7.11 (1H, t, 1.5)	145.1 (d)
2	1.82 (1H, m)	21.7 (t)	15	4.72 (2H, s)	70.6 (t)
	2.08 (1H, t, 12.0)		16		174.6 (s)
3	3.77 (1H, br s)	82.7 (d)	17	4.74 (1H, s)	107.8 (t)
					4.95 (1H, s)
4		38.4 (s)			
5	1.96 (1H, d, 9.5)	55.5 (d)	18	1.86 (3H, s)	32.6 (q)
6	4.02 (1H, t, 8.0)	70.2 (d)	19	1.19 (3H, s)	23.0 (q)
7	2.28 (1H, t, 11.0)	49.9 (t)	20	0.77 (3H, s)	16.6 (q)
	2.91 (1H, dd, 11.5, 4.5)		1'	4.90 (1H, d, 8.0)	101.4 (d)
8		146.7 (s)	2'	4.09 (1H, d, t, 10.5, 6.0)	75.2 (d)
9		55.7 (d)	3'	4.24 (1H, dd, 8.5, 8.5)	78.8 (d)
10	1.61 (1H, s)	39.1 (s)	4'	4.20 (1H, dd, 8.5, 8.5)	72.2 (d)
11		22.1 (t)	5'	3.95 (1H, ddd, 9.0, 5.5, 2.5)	78.3 (d)
	1.61 (1H, br s)		6'		
12	1.79 (1H, m)	24.9 (t)		4.37 (1H, dd, 11.5, 5.5)	
	1.90 (1H, m)			4.55 (1H, dd, 11.5, 3.0)	
	2.41 (1H, t, 12.5)				

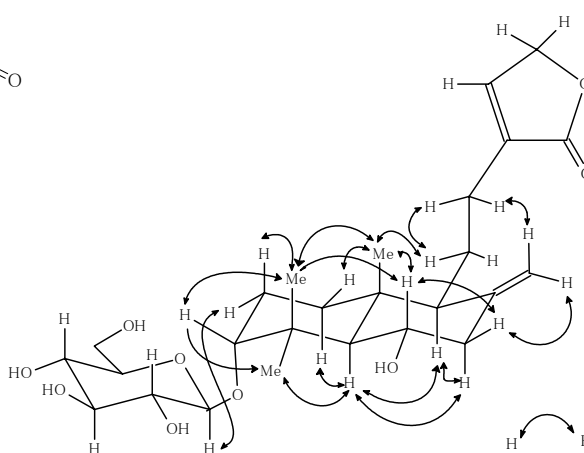
Assignment was deduced by analysis of 1D and 2D NMR spectra

anomeric carbon reflect the absolute configuration of the alcohols<sup>2,3</sup>. The chemical shifts of C-2, C-3, C-4 and C-1' of compound **1** were similar to those of compound **2** [ $\delta$  23.8 (C-2), 84.8 (C-3), 38.6 (C-4) and 102.0 (C-1')], while different from those of dammarenediol-I 3*S*-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside [ $\delta$  26.8 (C-2), 88.8 (C-3), 39.7 (C-4) and 106.9 (C-1')<sup>3</sup>]. Therefore, the structure of **1** was elucidated as (1*S*)-6 $\alpha$ -hydroxylabda-8,13-dien-15,16-olide 3*R*-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside.

**Figure 2** The key correlations in HMBC spectrum of **1**



**Figure 3** The key correlations in NOESY spectrum of **1**



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