# 236. Iridoid and Aryl Glucosides from *Globularia nudicaulis* and *Globularia nana*<sup>1</sup>)

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# Summary

The iridoid and aryl glycosidic constituents of *Globularia nudicaulis* L. and G. nana LAM. are reported. The structure determination of lytanthosalin (10-O-(E)-cinnamoylaucubin), a new acylated iridoid glucoside, isolated from the latter species, is described.

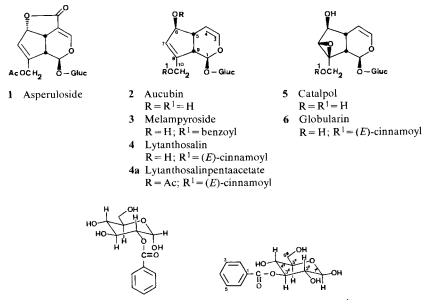
**Introduction.** - We recently reinvestigated in detail the glycosides from the genus *Globularia*, using modern techniques, and isolated several new iridoid glucosides [1-4]. We have now examined the glycosidic constituents of *Globularia nudicaulis* L. and *G. nana* LAM. No work has yet been reported on the glycosidic constituents of *G. nana* while previous investigations on *G. nudicaulis* are limited to the identification (PC.) of asperuloside, aucubin and monotropein [5] [6].

**Results and discussion.** – From the aerial parts of *G. nudicaulis*, three major iridoids, asperuloside (1), aucubin (2) and melampyroside (3) and the glucosides A, (7) and B, (8) were isolated by fractionation of the methanolic extract through a silica gel column followed by preparative and semi-preparative HPLC. on a reversed phase  $C_{18}$ -column. However, we failed to detect the presence of monotropein in this plant.

The identity of the iridoid glucosides was established by chromatography (HPLC., TLC.) and from the spectral data. The  $\beta$ -D-configuration at C(1') in the aryl glucoside B (8) came from the coupling constant ( $J_{1',2'}=8$  Hz) in the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. and from the chemical shift value of C(1') (96.16 ppm) in the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. [7]. The site of benzoylation at C(3') in 8 was determined by comparing the spectra with that of the  $\beta$ -D-glucose [7]. Likewise, the *a*-D-configuration at C(1') in the aryl glucoside A (7) was established from its NMR. spectral data [<sup>1</sup>H-NMR.:  $J_{1',2'}=4$  Hz; <sup>13</sup>C-NMR.: 91.31 ppm, C(1')] and the site of benzoylation at C(2') by comparing the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. spectral data with that of the *a*-D-glucose [7]. To the best of our knowledge the two aryl glucosides 7 and 8 have not been encountered before in nature.

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7 2'-Benzoyl-а-D-glucoside

8 3'-Benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucoside

Likewise, the aerial parts of G. *nana* afforded four known iridoids, asperuloside (1), aucubin (2), catalpol (5) and globularin (6), together with the new acyl iridoid 4, the structure of which was based upon the following evidence.

The <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. spectra of melampyroside (3) [4] and 4 were similar, except that 4 showed additional signals. Two extra peaks were present in the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. spectrum at 146.60 and 118.42 ppm and an *AB*-system was observed

C-Atom	2	3	4	C-Atom	2	3	4
C(1)	97.72	97.83	97.89	C(1")		131.02	135.42
C(3)	141.49	141.64	141.58	C(2")/(6")	_	130.54 <sup>b</sup> )	129.91 <sup>b</sup> )
C(4)	105.72	105.51	105.48	C(3")/(5")	-	129.59 <sup>b</sup> )	129.21b)
C(5)	46.07	46.04	46.08	C(4")	-	134.39	131.51
C(6)	82.74	82.66	82.65				
C(7)	130.27	132.59	132.46	C(a)	-	-	146.60
C(8)	147.95	142.41	142.35	$C(\beta)$	-	-	118.42
C(9)	47.89	48.39	48.24	CO	-	167.71	168.14
C(10)	61.32	63.98	63.50				
C(1')	99.90	100.08	100.07				
C(2')	74.81	74,72	74.67				
C(3')	78.07 <sup>a</sup> )	77.99 <sup>a</sup> )	77.94 <sup>a</sup> )				
C(4')	71.44	71.27	71.25				
C(5')	77.77ª)	77.72 <sup>a</sup> )	77.67 <sup>a</sup> )				
C(6')	62,60	62.61	62.61				

Table 1.  $^{13}C$ -NMR. spectral data (CD<sub>3</sub>OD) of aucubin (2), melampyroside (3) and lytanthosalin (4)

Com- pound	C(1)	C(2,6)	C(3,5)	C(4)	CO	C(1')	C(2')	C(3')	C(4')	C(5')	C(6')
7	130.83	130.72 <sup>a</sup> )	129.46 <sup>a</sup> )	134.19	167.76	91.31	76.04	72.22	71.81	72.93	62.63
8		130.84 <sup>b</sup> )									

Table 2. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. spectral data (CD<sub>3</sub>OD) of 2'-benzoyl-a-D-glucoside 7 and 3'-benzoyl-\beta-D-glucoside 8

in the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. spectrum at 6.54 and 7.70 ppm (J=16 Hz). The assignment for the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. signals (*Table 1*) were made with the aid of our results on related iridoids [8]. Hydrolysis of 4 with methanolic NaOH-solution afforded (*E*)-cinnamic acid and aucubin (2), identified with authentic samples. Comparison of the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. spectra of 4 and 2 revealed the site of acylation at HO-C(10) [8]. The above mentioned chemical and spectral data show that the acyl iridoid glucoside 4 is 10-O-((*E*)-cinnamoyl)aucubin. An acyl iridoid named lytanthosalin, was isolated from *Lytanthus salicinus* (LAM.) Wettst. (= *Globularia salicina* LAM.) by *Fikenscher et al.* [9]<sup>3</sup>). The nature of the compound was established to be a ((*E*)-cinnamoyl)-aucubin but the site of acylation was left unassigned. We speculated that this compound might be identical with that of the compound 4 of *G. nana*, based on the fact that all the acyl iridoids of Globulariaceae isolated so far have an acylated HO-C(10) function. A direct comparison of 4 with that of lytanthosalin proved the identity of the two compounds and supported our taxonomic speculation.

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#### **Experimental Part**

General. General procedures are the same as reported [3] [4]. Spectral data: UV.  $[\lambda_{max} \text{ nm } (\log \varepsilon)]$ , IR.  $(\text{cm}^{-1})$ , <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. ( $\delta$  in ppm, J in Hz).

*Extraction and purification of iridoids from* G. nudicaulis. Fresh above-ground parts of G. nudicaulis (1.8 kg) collected from the Klausenpass region, Switzerland, in May 1978, were cut into small pieces and extracted with petroleum ether  $(3 \times 3 \ 1)$  and then with MeOH  $(3 \times 3 \ 1)$  at 40°. The MeOH extract was concentrated to dryness and the residue was taken up in H<sub>2</sub>O. The water-soluble portion was passed through a prewashed (H<sub>2</sub>O) column of neutral Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (500 g), eluting with H<sub>2</sub>O. The eluate was concentrated and lyophilized to give the crude glycoside fraction (117.9 g). A portion of the mixture (30 g) was chromatographed over silica gel (400 g,  $65 \times 4.3$  cm), in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O [80:20:2 (3 1), 70:30:3 (1.5 1), 60:40:4 (2 1)]. Four major fractions, A (12.65 g), B (2.63 g), C (1.6 g) and D (7.39 g) were collected.

Fr. A (2 g), which was subjected to preparative LC. [reversed phase column;  $MeOH/H_2O$  45:55; flow rate 100 ml/min], gave 3 major fractions A1, A2 and A3.

Asperuloside (1). Fr. A1 on usual processing gave an amorphous powder (0.38 g), crystallized from  $H_2O$  as needles, m.p. 129-131°. The Rf, UV., <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. data were identical with that of asperuloside.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>) The same authors [9] have isolated another acyl iridoid, named rhinanthoglabrin, from *Rhinanthus glaber* LAM. (= *Rh. crista-galli* L.P.P. = *Rh. major* EHRH.). Rhinanthoglabrin was proved to be a benzoylaucubin with unknown site of acylation. TLC. and HPLC. analyses in our laboratory showed the identity of rhinanthoglabrin with melampyroside. The name melampyroside for 10-O-benzoylaucubin has thus priority over rhinanthoglabrin.

2'-Benzoyl-a- (7) and 3'-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucosides (8). Fr. A2 (0.2 g) was further subjected to semipreparative scale reversed phase HPLC. [ $\mu$ Bondapak C<sub>18</sub> column; 30 cm×8 mm I.D.; MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 10:90; flow rate 4 ml/min] to give 3 fractions A2X (0.03 g), A2Y (0.05 g) and A2Z (0.04 g).

2'-Benzoyl-a-D-glucoside (7). By spectral analysis Fr. A2X was shown to contain a mixture of 2'-benzoyl-a- and 3'-benzoyl- $\beta$ -D-glucosides (see below). - <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. (CD<sub>3</sub>OD): 5.40 (d,  $J_{1',2'}=4$ , 1H, H-C(1')). - <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. (CD<sub>3</sub>OD): see Table 2.

3'-Benzoyl-β-D-glucoside (8). Fr. A2Y on usual work-up gave an amorphous powder,  $[a]_{D}^{25} = -13.1^{\circ}$ (c = 0.75, MeOH). - IR. (KBr): 3410, 3300, 1715, 1600, 1585, 1450. - <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. (CD<sub>3</sub>OD): 8.0-8.14 (2 arom. H); 7.36-7.66 (3 arom. H); 5.74 (d,  $J_{1',2'} = 8$ , 1H, H-C(1')). - <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. (CD<sub>3</sub>OD): see Table 2.

Fr. A2Z gave a further crop of asperuloside (1).

Melampyroside (3). Fr. A3 on usual work-up gave an amorphous powder (1.1 g) identical with authentic melampyroside.

Fr. B contained (HPLC.) asperuloside (1), 2'-benzoyl-a- (7) and 3'-benzoyl-\beta-D-glucosides (8).

Aucubin (2) was isolated (0.8 g) from Fr. C by prep. LC. [reversed phase column;  $MeOH/H_2O$  10:90; flow rate 100 ml/min] and identified as usual.

Fr. D. contained mainly sugars and was not further examined.

Extraction and purification of iridoids from G. nana. Dried and milled above-ground parts (20 g) of G. nana, collected in Provence, France, in July 1979, were processed as described for G. nudicaulis to give an amorphous pale yellow solid (1.47 g) which was subjected to low pressure LC. over a reversed phase  $C_{18}$  column (particle size: 50 µm; 15 mm, I.D.) using MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O [30:70 (2 l) and 50:50 (0.5 l)] and 4 major fractions A (0.69 g), B (0.22 g), C (0.28 g) and D (0.12 g) were collected. Aucubin (2) and catalpol (5) in Fr. A and asperuloside (1) and globularin (6), respectively in Fr. B and C were detected by TLC. and HPLC.

Lytanthosalin (10-O-((E)-cinnamoyl)aucubin (4). Fr. D (0.12 g) was further purified by a silica gel column using CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 80:20:2 to give pure 4 (0.08 g) as an amorphous powder,  $[a]_{D}^{20} = -84.44^{\circ}$  (c=0.55, MeOH). - UV. (MeOH): 216 (4.10), 222 S. 278 (4.42). - IR. (KBr): 3400, 1710, 1655 S. 1635, 1580, 1495, 1450. - <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. (CD<sub>3</sub>OD): 7.72 (d, J(gem)=16, H-C(a)); 7.32-7.62 (5 arom. H); 6.54 (d, J(gem)=16, H-C( $\beta$ )); 6.33 ( $d \times d$ , J(3,5) = 2.0, J(3,4) = 6.5, H-C(3)); 5.81 ( $t \times d \times d$ , J(6,7) = 1.5, J(7,9) = 1.0, H-C(7)); 5.11 ( $d \times d$ , J(4,5) = 4.0, J(3,5) = 6.0, H-C(4)); 4.95 (d, J(1,9)=7.0, H-C(1)); 4.69 (d, J(1',2')=7, H-C(1')); 4.94 (m, 2 H-C(10)); 4.38-4.54 (m, H-C(6)); 2.96 ( $d \times d \times d$ , J(5,9) = 8, J(1,9) = 7, J(7,9) = 1, H-C(9)); 2.58-2.78 (m, H-C(5)). - <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. (CD<sub>3</sub>OD): see Table 1.

10-O-((E)-Cinnamoyl)aucubin pentaacetate (4a). Acetylation with acetic anhydride and pyridine at RT. gave after work-up an amorphous powder,  $[a]_{5}^{55} = -124.3^{\circ}$  (c=0.58, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). - IR. (KBr): 1750, 1720, 1665, 1640, 1580, 1500, 1450. - <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 7.70 (d, J(gem)=16, H-C(a)); 7.30-7.60 (5 arom. H); 6.44 (d, J(gem)=16,  $H-C(\beta)$ ); 6.16 ( $d \times d$ , J(3,5)=2.0, J(3,4)=6.5, H-C(3)); 5.88 ( $t \times d \times d$ , J(6,7)=1.5, J(7,9)=1.0, H-C(7)); 4.78-5.36 (m, H-C(1), H-C(6), H-C(4), 2 H-C(10), H-C(1'), H-C(2'), H-C(3') and H-C(4')); 4.10-4.24 (m, 2 H-C(6')); 3.70-3.90 (m, H-C(5')); 3.14-3.32 (m, H-C(9)); 2.74-2.92 (m, H-C(5)); 1.96-2.08 (5×CH<sub>3</sub>COO). - MS.: 686 (<1,  $M^+$ ), 627 (2.5,  $M^+$  - 59), 339 (<1,  $M^+$  - 347), 279 (12.5,  $M^+$  - (347+60)), 131 (62,  $M^+$  - (347+60+17+131)); fragments due to the glucose part: 331 (75), 271 (25), 211 (13), 169 (100), 109 (55), 43 (50); fragments due to the cinnamoyl part: 131 (62), 103 (15), 77 (7).

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