

Four New Compounds from *Sinacalia tangutica*

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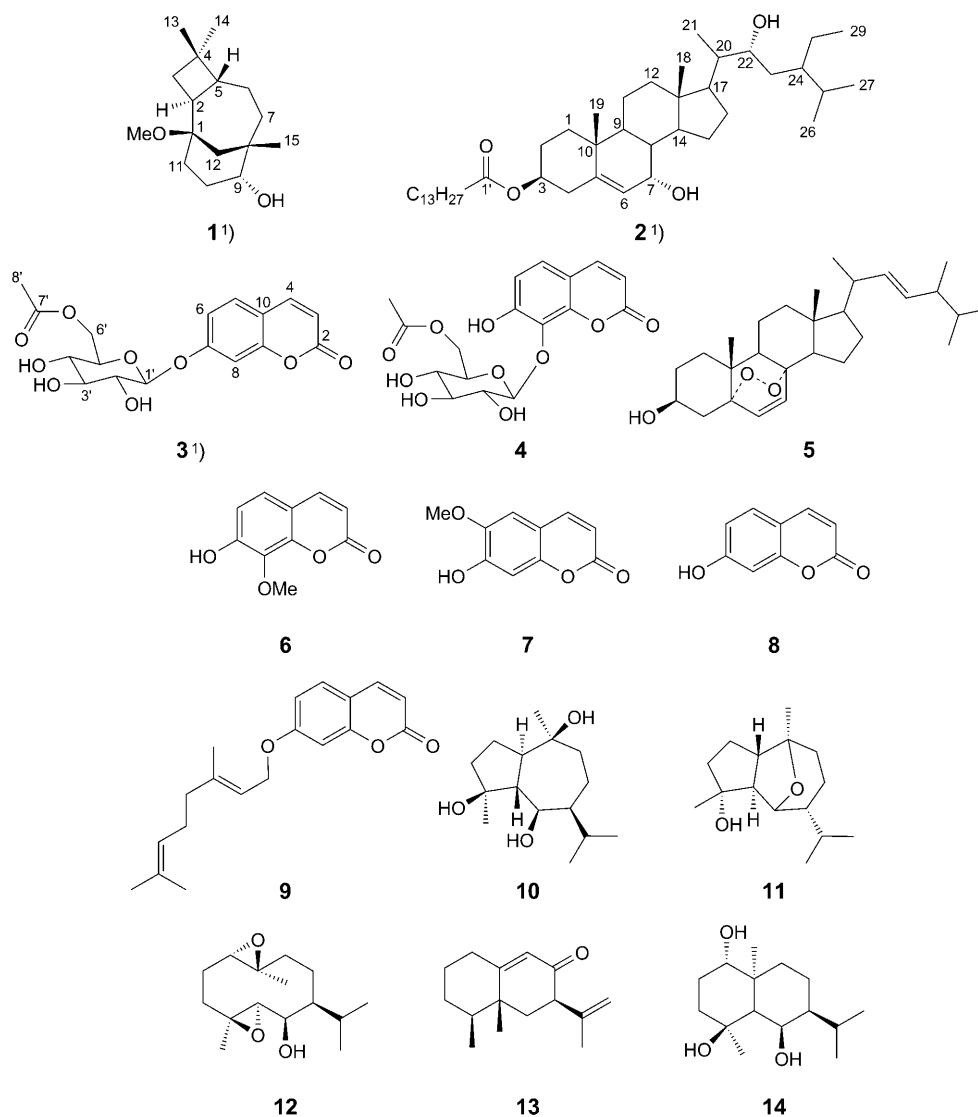
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Four new compounds, 9 α -hydroxy-1 β -methoxycaryolanol (**1**), stigmat-5-ene-7 α ,22 α -diol-3 β -tetradecanoate (**2**), 7-*O*-(6'-acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)coumarin (**3**), and 8-*O*-(6'-acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-7-hydroxycoumarin (**4**), together with ten known compounds, were isolated from the aerial parts of *Sinacalia tangutica*. The structures of the new compounds were established by means of extensive spectroscopic analyses (1D- and 2D-NMR, EI-MS, HR-ESI-MS, as well as IR and UV) and by comparison of their spectroscopic data with those of structurally related compounds reported in the literature.

1. Introduction. – The genus *Sinacalia* belongs to the family Compositae and is widely distributed in the West China. It is a Chinese endemic genus and consists of only four species. *Sinacalia tangutica* (MAXIM) has long been used as a folk medicine for expectorant, anti-cough, antihistamine, antiradical and cathartic purposes [1]. Up to now, only the phytochemical constituents of *S. tangutica* have been studied. A new flavan was isolated from *S. tangutica* distributing in the southeast of Gansu province [2]. Monoterpenes and caryophyllane sesquiterpene were obtained from this plant distributing in the central region of Gansu province [3]. An isopentenyl acetophenone derivative, eremophilane sesquiterpenes, cycloartene triterpenes and coumarins were reported from *S. tangutica* from the east of Qinghai province [4]. From the above information, we found that the chemical constituents of *S. tangutica* had some regional differences.

Here, we report four new compounds, 9 α -hydroxy-1 β -methoxycaryolanol (**1**), stigmat-5-ene-7 α ,22 α -diol-3 β -tetradecanoate (**2**), 7-*O*-(6'-acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)coumarin (**3**), and 8-*O*-(6'-acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-7-hydroxycoumarin (**4**), together with ten known compounds, including a steroid, **5**, four coumarins **6–9**, and five sesquiterpenes, **10–14**, from the aerial parts of *S. tangutica* distributing in the southwest of Gansu province. Among them, compounds **5**, **7**, and **9–14** were isolated from the title plant for the first time. This further gives evidence that the chemical compositions of plants have a relation with their growth environment.

2. Results and Discussion. – The structures of the known compounds were elucidated by comparing their physical and spectral data with those reported in the literature as 5 α ,8 α -epidioxyergosta-6,22-dien-3 β -ol (**5**) [5], 7-hydroxy-8-methoxycou-



marin (**6**) [6], 6-methoxy-7-hydroxycoumarin (**7**) [7], 7-hydroxycoumarin (**8**) [6], aurapten (**9**) [8], 1 α ,5 β -guaiane-4 β ,6 β ,10 β -triol (**10**) [9], chrysothol (**11**) [9], 1 α ,10 β ,4 β ,5 α -diepoxy-7 α H-germacran-6 β -ol (**12**) [10], eremophila-9,11-dien-8-one (**13**) [11], 1 α ,4 β ,6 β -trihydroxyeudesmane (**14**) [12].

Compound **1** was obtained as colorless crystals. The EI-MS showed the molecular ion peak at m/z 252, and the molecular formula $C_{16}H_{28}O_2$ was deduced from the pseudomolecular-ion peak at m/z 270.2431 ($[M + NH_4]^+$, $C_{16}H_{32}NO_2^+$; calc. 270.2428)

1) Arbitrary atom numbering; for systematic names, see *Exper. Part*.

in the HR-ESI-MS, which indicated three degrees of unsaturation. The IR (film) spectrum showed absorption bands of a OH (3369.5 cm^{-1}) and a MeO group (2853.9 cm^{-1}). The ^{13}C -NMR (DEPT) spectra (Table 1) gave 16 C-atoms, including three Me, six CH_2 , and three CH groups, including one oxymethine group ($\delta(\text{C})$ 72.4, *d*), along with three quaternary C-atoms, including one oxygenated C-atom ($\delta(\text{C})$ 75.3, *s*), and one MeO group. The signals of the three Me groups, $\delta(\text{C})$ 30.4 (*q*), 26.7 (*q*), and 20.6 (*q*) were characteristic signals for a caryolane sesquiterpene [13][14]. In the ^1H , ^1H -COSY experiment, the key correlations of H–C(2) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 2.10–2.14, *m*) with H_b –C(3) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.62–1.66, *m*) and H–C(5) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.88–1.94, *m*); H_b –C(6) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.33–1.37, *m*) with H–C(5) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.88–1.94, *m*) and H_a –C(7) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.10–1.14, *m*); and H_a –C(10) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.76–1.80, *m*) with H–C(9) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 3.45, *dd*) and H_b –C(11) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.68–1.70, *m*) were observed. These findings further confirmed that **1** has a caryolane sesquiterpene skeleton with each a OH and a MeO substituent. The positions of the MeO and OH groups were determined by the HMBC correlations of MeO ($\delta(\text{H})$ 3.16, *s*) with C(1) ($\delta(\text{C})$ 75.3, *s*) and Me(15) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 0.91, *s*) and H_b –C(11) ($\delta(\text{H})$ 1.68–1.70, *m*) with C(9) ($\delta(\text{C})$ 72.4, *d*), indicating that the MeO group and the OH group were linked at C(1) and C(9), respectively.

Table 1. ^1H -, ^{13}C -NMR (DEPT)^a, and HMBC Data of **1**¹ (CDCl_3 , δ in ppm, *J* in Hz)

	$\delta(\text{H})$	$\delta(\text{C})$	HMBC (C → H)
C(1)		75.3 (<i>s</i>)	Me(15), H_b –C(11), CH_2 (12), MeO
H–C(2)	2.10–2.14 (<i>m</i>)	38.6 (<i>d</i>)	Me(13), Me(14), CH_2 (11), CH_2 (12)
CH_2 (3)	a: 1.50–1.58 (<i>m</i>) b: 1.62–1.66 (<i>m</i>)	27.9 (<i>t</i>)	Me(13)
C(4)		35.3 (<i>s</i>)	Me(13), Me(14), H_a –C(3)
H–C(5)	1.88–1.94 (<i>m</i>)	44.7 (<i>d</i>)	Me(13), Me(14), H_a –C(6)
CH_2 (6)	a: 1.14–1.18 (<i>m</i>) b: 1.33–1.37 (<i>m</i>)	20.8 (<i>t</i>)	H_b –C(7)
CH_2 (7)	a: 1.10–1.14 (<i>m</i>) b: 1.44–1.48 (<i>m</i>)	35.8 (<i>t</i>)	Me(15), H_b –C(12), H_b –C(6)
C(8)		39.0 (<i>s</i>)	Me(15), CH_2 (12), H_b –C(7)
H–C(9)	3.45 (<i>dd</i> , <i>J</i> = 11.7, 3.6)	72.4 (<i>d</i>)	Me(15), CH_2 (12), H_b –C(11)
CH_2 (10)	a: 1.76–1.80 (<i>m</i>) b: 2.00–2.10 (<i>m</i>)	28.0 (<i>t</i>)	H_a –C(12), H_a –C(11)
CH_2 (11)	a: 1.52–1.57 (<i>m</i>) b: 1.68–1.70 (<i>m</i>)	36.1 (<i>t</i>)	H_b –C(12)
CH_2 (12)	a: 1.38 (<i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 12.3) b: 1.51 (<i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 12.9)	40.3 (<i>t</i>)	Me(15), H_a –C(11), H_b –C(7)
Me(13)	1.00 (<i>s</i>)	20.6 (<i>q</i>)	Me(14), H_b –C(3)
Me(14)	0.98 (<i>s</i>)	30.4 (<i>q</i>)	Me(14), H_a –C(3)
Me(15)	0.91 (<i>s</i>)	26.7 (<i>q</i>)	CH_2 (12)
MeO–C(1)	3.16 (<i>s</i>)	50.1 (<i>q</i>)	

^a) Assignments made by ^1H , ^1H -COSY, HSQC, and HMBC experiments.

The relative configuration of **1** was elucidated by an NOE experiment, in combination with the interpretation of the coupling constants. Irradiation of the Me(15) resulted in enhancements of H_b –C(12) at $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.51 (+2.21 %) and H–C(9)

(+1.42%), irradiation of H–C(9) led to enhancements of Me(15) (+2.47%) and H–C(5) (+3.91%), and irradiation of MeO–C(1) resulted in the enhancement of H_b–C(12) at $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.51 (+2.77%). Assuming Me(15) to be β -oriented, as in all natural caryolane sesquiterpenes, H–C(9), H–C(5), H_b–C(12), and MeO–C(1) should be β -configured. The coupling constant of H–C(9) ($J(9,10a) = 11.7$) further confirmed the β -configuration. Accordingly, the structure of **1** was elucidated to be 9 α -hydroxy-1 β -methoxycaryolanol¹).

Compound **2** was obtained as colorless villiform crystal. The HR-ESI-MS showed an $[M + \text{Na}]^+$ peak at m/z 679.5646 (calc. 679.5636), corresponding to the molecular formula C₄₃H₇₆O₄. The IR (film) spectrum showed absorption bands of OH groups (3407.2 cm⁻¹), an ester CO group (1733.4 cm⁻¹), and a C=C bond (1640.1 cm⁻¹). The ¹H-NMR spectrum (Table 2) exhibited the six typical Me-group signals of the stigmastane skeleton: two *singlets* at $\delta(\text{H})$ 0.70 and 1.00 (Me(18) and Me(19), resp.), three *doublets* at $\delta(\text{H})$ 0.92, 0.87 and 0.77 (Me(21), Me(26), and Me(27), resp.), and one *triplet* at $\delta(\text{H})$ 0.88 (Me(29)), as well as three oxygenated CH groups: a *multiplet* at $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.63–4.67, a broad *singlet* at $\delta(\text{H})$ 3.84, and a broad *doublet* at $\delta(\text{H})$ 3.70. The ¹³C-NMR (DEPT) spectra (Table 2) showed six typical stigmastane skeleton Me groups ($\delta(\text{C})$ 11.6 (*q*), 18.2 (*q*), 12.3 (*q*), 17.5 (*q*), 20.6 (*q*), and 11.9 (*q*)) [15], three oxygenated CH groups ($\delta(\text{C})$ 73.0 (*d*), 65.2 (*d*), 71.2 (*d*)), two olefinic C-atoms ($\delta(\text{C})$

Table 2. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR (DEPT) Data^a of **2**¹ (CDCl₃, δ in ppm, *J* in Hz)

	$\delta(\text{H})$	$\delta(\text{C})$		$\delta(\text{H})$	$\delta(\text{C})$
CH ₂ (1)	a: 1.12–1.16 (<i>m</i>)	36.7 (<i>t</i>)	H–C(17)	1.14–1.18 (<i>m</i>)	52.8 (<i>d</i>)
	b: 1.82–1.89 (<i>m</i>)		Me(18)	0.70 (<i>s</i>)	
CH ₂ (2)	a: 1.52–1.60 (<i>m</i>)	29.7 (<i>t</i>)	Me(19)	1.00 (<i>s</i>)	18.2 (<i>q</i>)
	b: 1.88–1.92 (<i>m</i>)		H–C(20)	1.68–1.72 (<i>m</i>)	
H–C(3)	4.63–4.67 (<i>m</i>)	73.0 (<i>d</i>)	Me(21)	0.92 (<i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 6.9)	12.3 (<i>q</i>)
CH ₂ (4)	2.34 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 9.9)	37.9 (<i>t</i>)	H–C(22)	3.70 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 9.9)	71.2 (<i>d</i>)
C(5)		145.4 (<i>s</i>)	CH ₂ (23)	a: 1.02–1.08 (<i>m</i>)	29.7 (<i>t</i>)
H–C(6)	5.62 (<i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 5.1)	124.6 (<i>d</i>)		b: 1.21–1.28 (<i>m</i>)	
H–C(7)	3.84 (br. <i>s</i>)	65.2 (<i>d</i>)	H–C(24)	1.26–1.30 (<i>m</i>)	41.4 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(8)	1.26–1.30 (<i>m</i>)	37.5 (<i>d</i>)	H–C(25)	1.72–1.80 (<i>m</i>)	28.6 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(9)	1.42–1.46 (<i>m</i>)	42.4 (<i>d</i>)	Me(26)	0.87 (<i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 7.2)	17.5 (<i>q</i>)
C(10)		37.5 (<i>s</i>)	Me(27)	0.77 (<i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 7.2)	20.6 (<i>q</i>)
CH ₂ (11)	a: 1.20–1.28 (<i>m</i>)	24.3 (<i>t</i>)	CH ₂ (28)	a: 1.00–1.08 (<i>m</i>)	23.6 (<i>t</i>)
	b: 1.98–2.02 (<i>m</i>)			b: 1.20–1.29 (<i>m</i>)	
CH ₂ (12)	a: 1.15–1.20 (<i>m</i>)	39.1 (<i>t</i>)	Me(29)	0.88 (<i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 7.0)	11.9 (<i>q</i>)
	b: 1.92–2.00 (<i>m</i>)		C(1')		
C(13)		42.5 (<i>s</i>)	CH ₂ (2')	2.26 (<i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 7.3)	34.6 (<i>t</i>)
H–C(14)	1.64–1.66 (<i>m</i>)	49.0 (<i>d</i>)	CH ₂ (3')	1.56–1.63 (<i>m</i>)	25.0 (<i>t</i>)
CH ₂ (15)	a: 1.18–1.22 (<i>m</i>)	20.6 (<i>t</i>)	CH ₂ (4'–11')	1.25 (br. <i>s</i>)	29.1–29.7 ^b) (<i>t</i>)
	b: 1.82–1.88 (<i>m</i>)		CH ₂ (12')	1.25 (br. <i>s</i>)	
CH ₂ (16)	a: 1.26–1.30 (<i>m</i>)	27.5 (<i>t</i>)	CH ₂ (13')	1.25 (br. <i>s</i>)	22.7 (<i>t</i>)
	b: 1.60–1.66 (<i>m</i>)		Me(14')	0.85 (<i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 7.2)	

^a) Assignments made by ¹H,¹H-COSY, HSQC, and HMBC experiments. ^b) Overlapped signals.

124.6 (*d*), 145.4 (*s*), one ester CO group ($\delta(\text{C})$ 173.2 (*s*)), and some aliphatic C-atoms ($\delta(\text{C})$ 34.6 (*t*), 25.0 (*t*), 29.1–29.7 (*t*), 31.9 (*t*), 22.7 (*t*), 14.1 (*q*)). Furthermore, comparison of the ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR data of **2** with stigmast-5-ene-3 β ,7 α ,22 α -triol reported in literature [16], showed that they both are very similar, except that a fatty acid moiety appeared in **2**. Compared with those of stigmast-5-ene-3 β ,7 α ,22 α -triol, the signals of H–C(3) and C(3) in **2** were both shifted downfield ($\delta(\text{H})$: from 3.59 to 4.63–4.67; $\delta(\text{C})$: from 71.3 (*d*) to 73.0 (*d*)). This suggested that the fatty acid moiety was attached at C(3). In the HMBC experiment, a correlation between CH₂(2') with C(3) was observed, and this further confirmed that the fatty acid was linked at C(3) position by an ester bond. The HR-ESI-MS showed a peak at *m/z* 411.3612 ($[M - \text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_2 - \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{H}]^+$; calc. 411.3621), and the EI-MS spectrum showed fragment peaks at *m/z* 429 ($[M - \text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_2]^+$) and 229 ($[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{29}\text{O}_2]^+$), which indicated that the fatty acid moiety contains 14 C-atoms. Hence, the structure of **2** was assigned as stigmast-5-ene-7 α ,22 α -diol-3 β -tetradecanoate¹).

Compound **3** was obtained as an amorphous white powder. Its molecular formula was determined as C₁₇H₁₈O₉ from the HR-ESI-MS signal at 384.1297 ($[M + \text{NH}_4]^+$; calc. 384.1289). The IR (KBr) spectrum showed the absorption bands of an OH group (3422.7 cm⁻¹), a CO group (1735.5 cm⁻¹), and an aromatic moiety (1620.6 and 1510.7 cm⁻¹). The ^{13}C -NMR (DEPT) and ^1H -NMR spectra showed the presence of a CO signal at $\delta(\text{C})$ 170.9 (*s*) and five typical H-atoms of a coumarin skeleton (6.30 (*d*, *J* = 9.3, H–C(3)), 8.00 (*d*, *J* = 9.3, H–C(4)), 7.63 (*d*, *J* = 8.5, H–C(5)), 6.96 (*d*, *J* = 8.5, H–C(6)), 7.02 (*s*, H–C(8)) [6], a signal for an AcO group, and glucosyl signals (Table 3). From the above information, compound **3** was deduced as a coumarin glucoside. The signal of the anomeric H-atom of glucosyl at $\delta(\text{H})$ 5.07 (*d*, *J* = 7.2) indicated that the glucosyl moiety was bound in β -configuration. By comparison with the NMR data reported in literature, the sugar moiety was identified as D-glucose [17]. The HMBC experiment showed a correlation between the anomeric H-atom H–C(1') at $\delta(\text{H})$ 5.07 of the glucosyl moiety and C(7) at $\delta(\text{C})$ 160.6 (*s*) of the coumarin skeleton, which suggested that the glucosyl moiety was located at C(7). The correlations between the CO group of AcO at $\delta(\text{C})$ 170.9 and CH₂(6') at $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.26 and 4.00–4.06 of the glucosyl moiety, inferred that the AcO group was linked at C(6'). Meanwhile, the signals for C(6') ($\delta(\text{C})$ 64.0 (*t*)) and C(5') ($\delta(\text{C})$ 74.4 (*d*)) were shifted downfield and upfield, respectively [18] due to the influence of the AcO group. This further confirmed the position of the AcO group. From the above evidences, the structure of **3** was elucidated as 7-*O*-(6'-acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)coumarin¹).

Compound **4** was isolated as a yellowish gum. Its molecular formula C₁₇H₁₈O₁₀ was determined on the basis of the pseudomolecular-ion peak at *m/z* 405.0792 ($[M + \text{Na}]^+$; calc. 405.0792) in the HR-ESI-MS. The IR (KBr) spectrum showed the absorption bands of OH groups (3423.8 cm⁻¹), CO groups (1723.7 cm⁻¹), and an aromatic moiety (1613.6 and 1506.2 cm⁻¹). The ^{13}C -NMR (DEPT) spectra of **3** and **4** were similar, except for the signals of C(7), C(8), and C(9) (Table 3). The signals of two oxygenated aromatic C-atoms at $\delta(\text{C})$ 153.9 (*s*) and 132.1 (*s*) indicated a 7,8-disubstituted coumarin, which was confirmed by the disappearance of the signal at $\delta(\text{H})$ 7.02 for H–C(8) of **3** in the ^1H -NMR spectrum. In the HMBC experiment, correlations were observed between the anomeric H-atom H–C(1') at $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.86 of the glucosyl moiety and C(8) at $\delta(\text{C})$ 132.1 (*s*) of the coumarin skeleton, which suggested that the glucosyl moiety was

Table 3. ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR (DEPT) Data of **3** and **4**¹ (δ in ppm, J in Hz)

	3 $\delta(\text{H})^{\text{a}}$	4 $\delta(\text{H})^{\text{a}}$	4 $\delta(\text{H})^{\text{b}}$	3 $\delta(\text{C})^{\text{a}}$	4 $\delta(\text{C})^{\text{b}}$
C(2)				160.9 (s)	160.0 (s)
H–C(3)	6.30 (<i>d</i> , $J=9.3$)	6.06 (<i>d</i> , $J=9.3$)	6.20 (<i>d</i> , $J=9.5$)	113.9 (<i>d</i>)	112.5 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(4)	8.00 (<i>d</i> , $J=9.3$)	7.83 (<i>d</i> , $J=9.3$)	7.88 (<i>d</i> , $J=9.5$)	144.9 (<i>d</i>)	144.4 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(5)	7.63 (<i>d</i> , $J=8.5$)	7.20 (<i>d</i> , $J=8.7$)	6.88 (<i>d</i> , $J=8.7$)	130.1 (<i>d</i>)	125.1 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(6)	6.96 (<i>d</i> , $J=8.5$)	6.72 (<i>d</i> , $J=8.7$)	7.35 (<i>d</i> , $J=8.7$)	114.3 (<i>d</i>)	113.5 (<i>d</i>)
C(7)				160.6 (s)	153.9 (s)
H–C(8)	7.02 (s)	–	–	103.8 (<i>d</i>)	132.1 (s)
C(9)				155.7 (s)	148.5 (s)
C(10)				114.0 (s)	112.9 (s)
H–C(1')	5.07 (<i>d</i> , $J=7.2$)	4.80 (<i>d</i> , $J=7.8$)	4.86 (<i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	100.2 (<i>d</i>)	105.9 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(2')	3.20–3.25 (<i>m</i>)	3.22–3.26 (<i>m</i>)	3.59–3.61 (<i>m</i>)	73.7 (<i>d</i>)	74.2 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(3')	3.25–3.30 (<i>m</i>)	3.17–3.20 (<i>m</i>) ^c	3.51–3.58 (<i>m</i>)	77.0 (<i>d</i>)	76.5 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(4')	3.12–3.20 (<i>m</i>)	3.17–3.20 (<i>m</i>) ^c	3.43 (<i>dd</i> , $J=8.7, 9.9$)	70.4 (<i>d</i>)	70.5 (<i>d</i>)
H–C(5')	3.68–3.72 (<i>m</i>)	3.27–3.30 (<i>m</i>)	3.64–3.67 (<i>m</i>)	74.4 (<i>d</i>)	74.7 (<i>d</i>)
CH ₂ (6')	4.26 (<i>d</i> , $J=11.7$)	4.10 (<i>m</i>)	4.22 (<i>dd</i> , $J=11.7, 6.6$)	64.0 (<i>t</i>)	63.6 (<i>t</i>)
	4.00–4.06 (<i>m</i>)		4.32 (<i>dd</i> , $J=11.7, 2.1$)		
C(7')				170.9 (s)	170.5 (s)
Me(8')	2.00 (s)	1.86 (s)	1.97 (s)	21.3 (<i>q</i>)	20.0 (<i>q</i>)
OH–C(2')	5.48 (<i>d</i> , $J=4.8$)				
OH–C(3')	5.24 (<i>d</i> , $J=4.5$)				
OH–C(4')	5.33 (<i>d</i> , $J=5.4$)				

^a) In (D₆)DMSO. ^b) In (D₆)acetone. ^c) Overlapped signals.

located at C(8). The correlations between CH₂(6') ($\delta(\text{H})$ 4.22 and 4.32) of the glucosyl moiety and the CO group of AcO ($\delta(\text{C})$ 170.5, *s*) suggested that the AcO group was located at C(6') of the glucosyl moiety. From the above information, the OH group was unambiguously located at C(7) ($\delta(\text{C})$ 153.9, *s*). Thus, the structure of **4** was elucidated as 8-*O*-(6'-acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-7-hydroxycoumarin¹).

Experimental Part

General. Column chromatography (CC): silica gel (SiO₂; 200–300 mesh, Qingdao Marine Chemical Factory, China). TLC and prep. TLC (PTLC): SiO₂ GF₂₅₄ (10–40 μm , Qingdao Marine Chemical Factory), detection at 254 nm UV light or by heating after spraying with 5% H₂SO₄ in EtOH (*v/v*). Melting points: Kofler melting point apparatus, uncorrected. Optical rotations: Perkin-Elmer 341 polarimeter. UV Spectra: Shimadzu spectrometer UV-260, λ_{max} (log ϵ), in nm. IR Spectra: Nicolet NEXUS-670 FT-IR spectrometer, in cm⁻¹. NMR Spectra: Varian Mercury plus-300 spectrometer at 300 (^1H -NMR) and 75 MHz (^{13}C -NMR), δ in ppm, J in Hz. EI-MS: HP 5988A GC/MS instrument, in *m/z*. HR-ESI-MS: Bruker Daltonics APEX-II mass spectrometer.

Plant Material. The whole plant of *Sinacalia tangutica* was collected in Linxia City of Gansu Province, China, in August 2005 and identified by Prof. Guo-Liang Zhang, Department of Life Science, Lanzhou University. A voucher specimen (No. St20050801) has been deposited with the State Key Laboratory of Applied Organic Chemistry, Lanzhou University.

Extraction and Isolation. Air-dried of the aerial parts of *S. tangutica* (6.0 kg) were powdered and extracted with MeOH for five times (7 d each time) at r.t. The residue (790 g) was obtained after removing the solvent under reduced pressure. The residue was suspended in H₂O and partitioned with

CHCl₃, AcOEt, and BuOH, resp. The CHCl₃-soluble extract was concentrated to give a dark green viscous residue (145 g). This residue was subjected to CC (SiO₂; 1849 g) with gradient elution, with petroleum ether (PE; 60–90°)/acetone, and finally washing with MeOH. *Fr. 3* (30:1, 10 g) was further subjected to CC (SiO₂), eluting with PE/CHCl₃ (1:1), and further purified by PTLC (cyclohexane/AcOEt 3:1): **13** (5 mg). *Fr. 4* (20:1, 3.5 g) was purified by CC (SiO₂) with PE/acetone (20:1) and PE/AcOEt (10:1) successively: **9** (4 mg). *Fr. 5* (15:1, 2 g) was purified by repeated CC (SiO₂) with PE/AcOEt (10:1), PE/CHCl₃ (1:1), CHCl₃/AcOEt (15:1), and CHCl₃/acetone (15:1), successively: **1** (9 mg), **2** (5 mg, recrystallized from CHCl₃), **5** (2 mg), **11** (12 mg). *Fr. 6* (10:1, 2 g) was separated by CC (SiO₂) with CHCl₃/acetone (15:1) and CHCl₃/AcOEt (8:1) successively: **6** (10 mg), **8** (20 mg, recrystallized from CHCl₃), and **12** (6 mg). *Fr. 7* (5:1, 10 g) was purified by CC (SiO₂) with CHCl₃/AcOEt (5:1), PE/AcOEt (2:1), and PE/acetone (2:1), successively: **7** (3 mg) and **14** (4 mg). *Fr. 8* (3:1, 8 g) was purified by CC (SiO₂) with PE/AcOEt (1:1): **10** (12 mg).

The AcOEt-soluble part (45 g) was subjected to CC (SiO₂; 845 g), eluting sequentially with CHCl₃/MeOH (30:1–0:1): **3** (7 mg). Further purification by PTLC (CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O 10:1:0.05) led to the isolation of **4** (4 mg).

9 α -Hydroxy-1 β -methoxycaryolanol (= (1R,2S,5R,8S,9R)-1-Methoxy-4,4,8-trimethyltricyclo-[6.3.1.0^{2,5}]dodecan-9-ol; **1**). Colorless crystals. M.p. 94–95° (acetone). [α]_D²⁰ = +20 (*c* = 0.113, CHCl₃). IR (film): 3369.5, 2930.3, 2853.9, 1600.0, 1458.0, 1210.8. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR (DEPT): *Table 1*. EI-MS: 252 (1, *M*⁺), 220 (3, [*M* – MeOH]⁺), 193 (71), 141 (100), 123 (42). HR-ESI-MS: 270.2431 ([*M* + NH₄]⁺, C₁₆N₃₂NO₂⁺; calc. 270.2428).

Stigmast-5-ene-7 α ,22 α -diol-3 β -tetradecanoate (= (3 β ,7 α ,22R)-7,22-Dihydroxystigmast-5-en-3-yl Tetradecanoate; **2**). Colorless villiform crystal. M.p. 99–100° (acetone). [α]_D²⁰ = –35 (*c* = 0.233, CHCl₃). IR (film): 3407.3, 2925.1, 2855.3, 1733.4, 1640.1, 1461.3, 1024.0. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: *Table 2*. EI-MS: 429 (0.5, [*M* – C₁₄H₂₇O₂]⁺), 229 (1.6, [C₁₄H₂₉O₂]⁺), 155 (11, [C₁₁H₂₃]⁺), 157 (3.6, [C₁₀H₂₁O]⁺), 141 (13, [C₁₀H₂₁]⁺), 127 (19, [C₉H₁₉]⁺), 113 (19, [C₈H₁₇]⁺), 99 (26, [C₇H₁₅]⁺), 85 (51, [C₆H₁₃]⁺), 71 (65, [C₅H₁₁]⁺), 57 (100, [C₄H₉]⁺), 43 (75, [C₃H₇]⁺). HR-ESI-MS: 679.5646 ([*M* + Na]⁺, C₄₃H₇₆NaO₄⁺; calc. 679.5636), 411.3612 ([C₂₉H₄₆O + H]⁺; calc. 411.3621).

7-O-(6'-Acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)coumarin (= 2-Oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl 6-O-Acetyl- β -D-glucopyranoside; **3**). Amorphous white powder. [α]_D²⁰ = –125 (*c* = 0.14, MeOH). UV (MeOH): 212 (1.65), 316 (1.22). IR (KBr): 3422.7, 2922.3, 1735.5, 1620.6, 1510.7, 1077.2, 1041.4, 609.9. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: *Table 3*. EI-MS: 366 (0.23, *M*⁺), 205 (13.6, [C₈H₁₃O₆]⁺), 162 (100, [C₈H₁₃O₆ – MeCO]⁺), 43 (58, [MeCO]⁺). HR-ESI-MS: 384.1297 ([*M* + NH₄]⁺, C₁₇H₂₂NO₉⁺; calc. 384.1289).

8-O-(6'-Acetoxy- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-7-hydroxycoumarin (= 7-Hydroxy-2-oxo-2H-chromen-8-yl 6-O-Acetyl- β -D-glucopyranoside; **4**): Yellowish gum. [α]_D²⁰ = –40 (*c* = 0.05, MeOH). UV (MeOH): 227 (3.67), 321 (2.81). IR (KBr): 3423.8, 2932.9, 1723.7, 1613.6, 1506.2, 1075.9, 620.5. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: *Table 3*. EI-MS: 382 (0.6, *M*⁺), 205 (4, [C₈H₁₃O₆]⁺), 162 (3, [C₈H₁₃O₆ – MeCO]⁺), 144 (4, [C₉H₄O₂]⁺), 43 (83, [MeCO]⁺). HR-ESI-MS: 405.0792 ([*M* + Na]⁺, C₁₇H₁₈NaO₁₀⁺; calc. 405.0792).

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