

Three New *ent*-Labdane Diterpenoids from the Wood of *Excoecaria agallocha* LINN.

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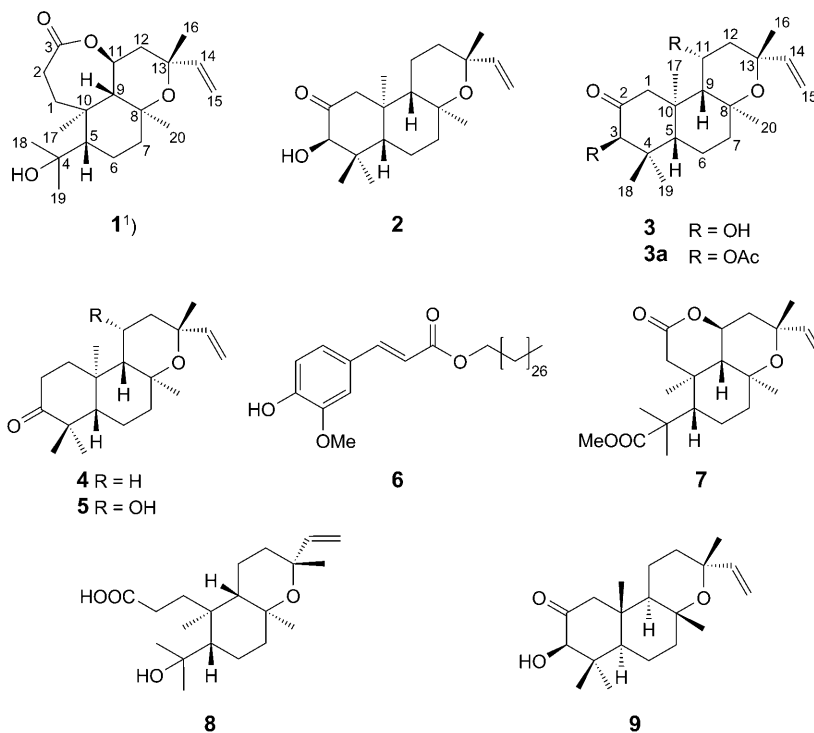
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An extensive study of metabolites present in *Excoecaria agallocha* LINN. led to the isolation of three new *ent*-labdane-type diterpenoids, named agallochaexcoerins A–C (**1–3**), besides three known compounds. The skeleton present in compound **1** is rather unusual, containing of a seven-membered lactone. The structures were elucidated on the basis of spectroscopic studies and comparison with known related compounds. The isolated compounds **1–6** were not active against Raw 264.7 (macrophage-like), K 562 (leukemia), and COLO 205 (colon) human carcinoma cell lines.

Introduction. – The wide-spread genus *Excoecaria* of Euphorbiaceae comprises 40 species which are distributed on seashores, edge mangroves throughout tropical countries including Africa, Asia, Northwest Australia, and India [1]. It is well known that the milky latex exuded from the bark of this plant is poisonous and may cause temporary blindness and blistering of the skin [2]. In traditional Thai medicine, the bark and wood of the plant are used to combat flatulence. Several skin irritant daphnane and tigliane diterpene esters have been isolated from the latex of *E. agallocha* [3][4]. Recently, a new phorbol ester acting as an *anti*-HIV agent, was isolated from the stems and leaves of this species collected in Northwest Australia [5]. Furthermore, the *anti*-tumor activities of some of these diterpenes were investigated [6][7]. More recently, a series of diterpenoid derivatives with different kinds of carbon skeletons, such as labdane, beyerane, isopimarane, and kaurane types, were isolated from this plant [6][8–11]. We report herein the structure determination of three new diterpenoids, agallochaexcoerin A, a novel *seco*-labdanoid with a rare seven-membered lactone ring, and agallochaexcoerins B and C through spectral data and also by chemical correlation.

Results and Discussion. – The analysis of an acetone extract of the powdered wood of *E. agallocha* led to the isolation of three new *ent*-labdane diterpenoids **1–3**. Three known compounds were also identified by comparison of their spectral data with those reported in the literature as ribenone **4** [12], *ent*-8,13-epoxy-11 α -hydroxy-3-oxo-13-*epi*-labd-14-ene **5** [12], and octacosyl (*E*)-ferulate **6** [13].

Compound **1** was obtained as colorless needles. The HR-ESI-MS of **1** exhibited the *pseudo*-molecular-ion peak at m/z 359.2183 ($[M + Na]^+$), which established the



molecular formula as $C_{20}H_{32}O_4$, indicating five degrees of unsaturation. The IR spectrum showed absorption bands ascribable to OH (3377 cm^{-1}), vinyl ($1625, 949, 921\text{ cm}^{-1}$), CO ($1722, 1290\text{ cm}^{-1}$), and ether (1136 cm^{-1}) functionalities. It was recognized as a new 13-*epi*-8,13-epoxy-*seco*-labdanoid by interpretation of the ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectral data (Tables 1 and 2). The presence of a vinyl group was evident from the spectra. The presence of five Me groups (Tables 1 and 2) of an intact labdane skeleton suggested that it might be a ring *A*-*seco*-derivative. The appearance of signals for geminal Me(18) and Me(19)¹⁾, deshielded at $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.34 and 1.27, suggested the presence of tertiary OH group at C(4), *i.e.*, a 3,4-*seco*-labdanoid with the possibility of C(3) being part of an acid or a lactone. The location of the tertiary OH group at C(4) was also supported by the HMBC correlation between C(4) ($\delta(\text{C})$ 75.8) and Me(18), Me(19), and H–C(5). The ^{13}C -NMR spectrum showed two O-bearing C-atoms with signals at $\delta(\text{C})$ 72.9 (*s*) and at 72.1 (*s*) accounting for C(8) and C(13) of a 13-*epi*-manoyloxy partial structure [14], and two more O-bearing C-atoms with signals at $\delta(\text{C})$ 70.9 (*d*) and at 75.8 (*s*). Compound **1** didn't react with diazomethane, suggesting the presence of a lactone, rather than of a carboxylic acid. The lactone could, therefore, be between C(3) and C(11), or C(3) and C(6). If the O-bearing CH group was at C(6), the ^{13}C -NMR signal for C(7) would be expected around $\delta(\text{C})$ 50–53. However, if the O-bearing CH group was at C(11), the signal for C(12) would be around $\delta(\text{C})$ 40–45. The

¹⁾ Arbitrary numbering. For systematic names, see *Exper. Part*.

Table 1. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ Data of **1**, **2**, **3**, and **3a**

	1 ^{a)}	2 ^{a)}	3 ^{b)}	3a ^{b)}
1 α	1.52–1.62 (<i>m</i>)	2.10 (<i>d</i> , $J=12.2$)	2.40 (<i>d</i> , $J=12.9$)	2.48 (<i>d</i> , $J=13.9$)
1 β	3.04 (<i>dd</i> , $J=8.0, 13.2$)	2.47 (<i>d</i> , $J=12.2$)	3.23 (<i>d</i> , $J=12.9$)	–
2 α	2.47 (<i>dd</i> , $J=7.3, 13.2$)	–	–	–
2 β	2.76 (<i>t</i> , $J=13.2$)	–	–	–
3	–	3.88 (<i>br. d</i> , $J=1.0$)	3.91 (<i>d</i> , $J=3.6$)	4.93 (<i>br. s</i>)
5	1.38–1.43 (<i>m</i>)	1.62 ^{c)}	1.68 (<i>dd</i> , $J=2.6, 13.3$)	–
6 α	1.65–1.72 (<i>m</i>)	1.81 ^{d)}	1.81 (<i>qd</i> , $J=3.4, 13.3$)	–
6 β	1.43–1.49 (<i>m</i>)	1.40–1.44 (<i>m</i>)	1.42 (<i>dq</i> , $J=3.0, 13.3$)	–
7 α	1.43–1.49 (<i>m</i>)	1.56 ^{e)}	1.54 (<i>dt</i> , $J=3.4, 13.3$)	–
7 β	1.81 (<i>dd</i> , $J=3.6, 9.5$)	1.92 (<i>td</i> , $J=3.4, 12.5$)	1.86 (<i>td</i> , $J=3.4, 13.3$)	–
9	1.96 (<i>d</i> , $J=8.0$)	1.64 ^{e)}	1.60 (<i>d</i> , $J=9.4$)	–
11 α	4.76 (<i>dd</i> , $J=7.3$)	1.45–1.51 (<i>m</i>)	–	–
11 β	–	1.56 ^{e)}	4.16 (<i>td</i> , $J=4.6, 9.4$)	5.18–5.22 (<i>m</i>)
12 α	2.05 (<i>d</i> , $J=15.4$)	1.67 (<i>dd</i> , $J=6.4, 8.5$)	–	–
12 β	2.39 (<i>dd</i> , $J=6.6, 15.4$)	1.81 ^{d)}	2.46 (<i>dd</i> , $J=4.6, 13.5$)	2.40 (<i>d</i> , $J=13.9$)
14	5.88 (<i>dd</i> , $J=10.7, 17.3$)	5.87 (<i>dd</i> , $J=10.7, 17.3$)	5.97 (<i>dd</i> , $J=12.9, 10.9$)	5.90 (<i>dd</i> , $J=10.8, 17.5$)
15 α	5.18 (<i>dd</i> , $J=1.3, 17.3$)	4.94 (<i>dd</i> , $J=1.5, 10.7$)	4.96 (<i>d</i> , $J=11.1$)	4.98 (<i>d</i> , $J=11.2$)
15 β	4.97 (<i>dd</i> , $J=1.3, 10.7$)	5.16 (<i>dd</i> , $J=1.5, 17.3$)	5.07 (<i>d</i> , $J=17.7$)	5.23 (<i>d</i> , $J=17.9$)
16	1.42 (<i>s</i>)	1.30 (<i>s</i>)	1.25 (<i>s</i>)	1.27 (<i>s</i>)
17	1.19 (<i>s</i>)	0.77 (<i>br. s</i>)	0.88 (<i>s</i>)	0.86 (<i>s</i>)
18	1.34 (<i>s</i>)	1.18 (<i>s</i>)	1.19 (<i>s</i>)	1.11 (<i>s</i>)
19	1.27 (<i>s</i>)	0.69 (<i>s</i>)	0.68 (<i>s</i>)	0.82 (<i>s</i>)
20	1.24 (<i>s</i>)	1.30 (<i>s</i>)	1.23 (<i>s</i>)	1.25 (<i>s</i>)
OH	–	3.43 (<i>br. s</i>)	3.48 (<i>d</i> , $J=4.9$)	–

^{a)} Measured at 500 MHz. ^{b)} Measured at 600 MHz. ^{c)}, ^{d)}, ^{e)} Overlapping signals.

C-atoms C(7) and C(12) appeared at $\delta(\text{C})$ 42.9 (*t*) and 37.6 (*t*), respectively, to support a lactone bridge between C(3) and C(11). The CO group at $\delta(\text{C})$ 175.9 (*s*) showed HMBC correlations with H–C(11), H–C(1), and H–C(2), supporting the presence of a seven-membered lactone ring between C(3) and C(11). The lactone was found to be a secondary lactone with the O-bearing CH group resonating at $\delta(\text{C})$ 70.9 (*d*) and the corresponding CH group at $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.76 (*dd*, $J=7.3$) (coupling with H–C(9) and one of the vicinal H-atoms at C(12); the other H-atom at C(12) did presumably not show a coupling due to a dihedral angle of *ca.* 90°, with ring *C* in a *quasi-chair* form). A literature survey revealed that the first member of a 2,3-*seco*-labdanoid with δ -lactone between C(2) and C(11), agallochin N (**7**), has recently been reported from the same species of Indian origin [9]. The axial disposition of the O-bearing CH group at C(11) was comparable to agallochin N with an $^1\text{H-NMR}$ signal for the a 11 β -oxymethine group at $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.63 (*td*, $J=12.0, 4.0$), while the corresponding signals for 13-*epi*-manoyloxide derivatives containing an 11 α -OH group were noticed at 4.18 [14], 4.13 [15], and 4.17 ppm [12]. This is in accordance with the fact that an equatorial H-atom in a tetrahydropyran ring is more deshielded than its axial counterpart, as described in [16].

Agallochaexcoerin A thus appears to be the first example of a *seco*-tricyclic labdanoid containing a rare seven-membered lactone group between C(3) and C(11)¹.

Table 2. ^{13}C -NMR Spectral Data of **1**, **2**, **3**, and **3a**

	1 ^{a)}	2 ^{a)}	3 ^{b)}	3a ^{b)}
CH ₂ (1)	39.1	52.1	54.6	54.5
CH ₂ (2)	29.7	210.9	211.8	203.7
C(3)	175.9	82.9	82.3	83.7
C(4)	75.8	45.2	44.8	42.7
H–C(5)	58.3	54.4	54.4	55.2
CH ₂ (6)	23.6	19.6	19.3	19.3
CH ₂ (7)	42.9	42.6	42.7	42.9
C(8)	72.9	74.6	76.5	75.7
H–C(9)	56.7	55.3	62.2	59.1
C(10)	41.5	43.1	43.8	39.7
H–C(11) or CH ₂ (11)	70.9	15.6	64.9	67.7
CH ₂ (12)	37.6	35.5	44.9	39.4
C(13)	72.1	73.5	74.1	73.6
H–C(14)	146.8	147.5	147.2	146.4
CH ₂ (15)	110.9	110.6	110.2	111.1
Me(16)	29.5	28.3	31.9	31.9
Me(17)	16.7	16.3	16.2	17.1
Me(18)	34.9	29.3	29.4	28.9
Me(19)	27.8	16.2	17.3	17.2
Me(20)	25.8	24.9	25.1	25.6
MeO–CO–C(3)				170.5
MeO–CO–C(3)				20.6
MeO–CO–C(11)				170.1
MeO–CO–C(11)				21.7

^{a)} Measured at 100 MHz. ^{b)} Measured at 150 MHz.

The ^{13}C -NMR spectral data of agallochaexcoerin A can be compared with a 3,4-*seco*-labdanoid (**8**), which was isolated from the same species, as well as synthesized from ribenone with *m*-CPBA in 7.6% yield along with (*R*)- and (*S*)-epoxides (20 and 25%, resp.) [17]. Unlike in **1**, compound **8** doesn't possess a OH group at C(11), and therefore no lactone between C(3) and C(11).

Agallochin N [9], agallochin E (8,13-epoxy-3-nor-2,3-*seco*-13-*epi*-labden-2,4-olide) [8], 2-oxo-3-oxamanoyl oxide [18], excoecarin H [7], *ent*-13-*epi*-8,13-epoxy-2-oxa-3-oxolabd-14-ene-(1*R*)-carboxylic acid [10], and excoecarin M [19] with each containing a δ -lactone moiety, were reported from the same species. The NOESY correlations of H–C(5) and H–C(9), Me(17) and Me(20), H–C(14) and Me(20), and H–C(11) and Me(20) established the relative configuration. Agallochaexcoerin A was considered as an *ent*-derivative in view of its laevo specific rotation [10][20] to derive its structure as *ent*-8,13-epoxy-4-hydroxy-3,4-*seco*-13-*epi*-labd-14-en-3,11-olide.

Compound **2** was isolated as colorless needles from aqueous EtOH. ESI-MS of **2** exhibited a *pseudo*-molecular-ion peak at *m/z* 355 ($[M + \text{Cl}]^+$), ascribable to a molecular formula $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_3$. The presence of OH (3440 cm^{-1}), CO (1714 cm^{-1}), mono-substituted C=C bond ($1660, 1451, 1014, 918\text{ cm}^{-1}$), and ether (1160 cm^{-1}) functionalities were noticed in the IR spectrum. A preliminary analysis of the ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectral data (Tables 1 and 2) suggested it to be a new 8,13-epoxy-13-*epi*-

labdane diterpenoid. The presence of a vinyl and a keto group were evident from the spectra. The ^{13}C -NMR spectrum showed an O-bearing C-atom at $\delta(\text{C})$ 82.9 (*d*), the CO group at $\delta(\text{C})$ 210.9 accounted for the 2-keto group in addition to two O-bearing C-atoms at 74.6 (*s*), 73.5 (*s*), accounting for the 8,13-epoxymanoyloxy structure [8]. The presence of an isolated CH_2 group in α -position to a keto group was indicated by an *AB* system at $\delta(\text{H})$ 2.10 and 2.47. The Me(18) and Me(19) attached to C(4) with resonances at $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.18 and 0.69, respectively, indicated the presence of an α -ketol system when compared to the signals of those of 2-oxomanoyl oxide ($\delta(\text{H})$ 0.87 and 1.08) [21]. The location of the keto CO group at C(2) was also supported by HMBC (*Table 3* and *Fig. 1*) data, where the C(2) showed correlation with $\text{H}_{\text{ax}}\text{-C}(1)$, $\text{H}_{\text{eq}}\text{-C}(1)$, $\text{H}_{\text{ax}}\text{-C}(3)$, Me(18), and Me(19). The NOESY correlations between H-C(5) and H-C(9), Me(17) and Me(20), H-C(14) and Me(20), and H-C(6) and Me(20) established the relative configuration of **2**, as shown in *Fig. 2*. It was related to the *epi*-manoyl oxide skeleton by the correlations found in the ^1H , ^1H -NOESY data (*Table 3* and *Fig. 2*). A search in the literature revealed that the isomeric manoyl oxide **9** has been isolated before from the plant *Lagarostrobos colensoi* (*Dacrydium colensoi*) [21] and *Euphorbia segetalis* [22]. A comparative study of **2** and **9** revealed that they have identical ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectra, just like manoyl oxide and 13-*epi*-manoyl oxide, but that they differ in their physical properties, such as m.p. and CD. The circular dichroism (CD) spectrum of **2** showed a negative *Cotton* effect at 299 nm, analogous to that of **4**. The absolute configuration of **2** was assumed to be that of an *ent*-derivative in the light of its laevo specific rotation. An inspection of the vast literature [23] revealed

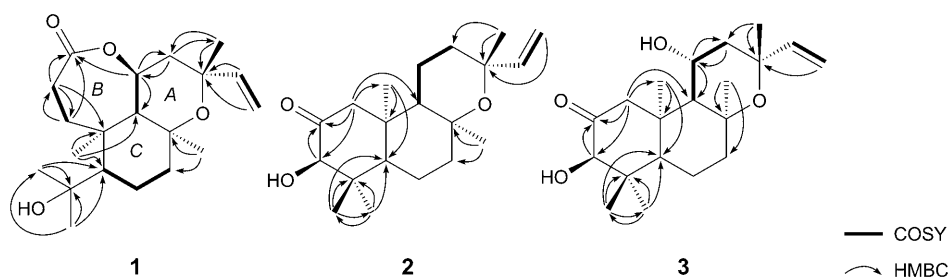


Fig. 1. Key HMBC and COSY correlations of agallochaexcoecarins A, B, and C (**1–3**)

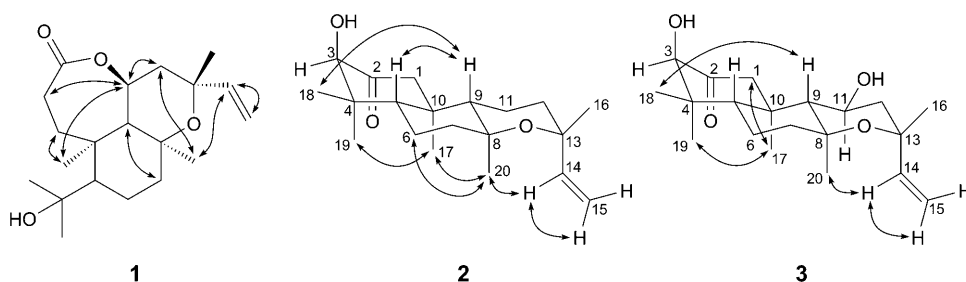


Fig. 2. NOESY Correlations of agallochaexcoecarins A, B, and C (**1–3**)

Table 3. *HMBC, COSY, and NOESY Correlations of Compounds 1, 2, and 3*

1 ¹⁾	2				3						
	HMBC	COSY	NOESY		HMBC	COSY	NOESY				
1 α	3, 17	1 β , 2 β	17	1 α	2, 9, 10, 17	1 β	-	1 α	2, 3, 10, 17	1 β	17
1 β	2, 3, 9, 10	1 α , 2 α	-	1 β	2, 3, 5, 10, 17	1 α	19	1 β	2, 9, 10, 17	1 α	-
2 α	3, 10	1 β , 2 β	11 α , 17	3 α	2, 4, 18, 19	-	1 α , 12 α , 18	3 α	2, 4, 18, 19	-	18
2 β	1, 3, 10	1 α , 2 α	-	5 β	-	-	-	5 β	4, 17, 19	6 β	-
5 α	4	6	9 α	6 α	-	-	9 α	6 α	-	6 β	-
6 α	-	7	-	6 β	-	-	-	6 β	-	6 α	-
6 β	-	7	-	7 α	-	7 β	-	7 α	-	7 β	-
7 α	-	6	9 α	7 β	-	7 α	-	7 β	-	7 α	-
7 β	-	-	-	9 β	-	-	-	9 β	8, 10, 11, 17, 20	-	-
9 α	8, 10, 11, 17, 20	11 α	5 α , 7 α	11 α	-	-	5 α	11 β	-	12 α	12 α , 17, 20
11 α	3, 10, 12, 13	12 β , 9 α	2 β , 12 β , 17, 20	11 β	-	-	-	12 α	9, 11, 13	11 β , 12 β	11 β
12 α	9, 11, 16	12 β , 11 α	-	12 α	-	11 α , 12 β	-	12 β	11, 13	12 α	20
12 β	13, 14, 16	12 α	11 α , 20	12 β	-	12 α	-	14	-	15 α , 15 β	15 α , 20
14	13	15 α , 15 β	15 α , 20	14	-	15 α , 15 β	15 α , 20	15 α	13, 14	14, 15 β	14
15 α	13, 14	14, 15 β	-	15 α	-	14, 15 β	14	15 β	13	14, 15 α	-
15 β	13	14, 15 α	-	15 β	-	14, 15 α	-	16	12, 13	-	-
16	12, 13, 14	-	-	16	12, 13, 14	-	-	17	1, 5, 9, 10	-	1 α , 11 β
17	1, 5, 9, 10	-	1 β , 2 β , 11 β , 20	17	1, 5, 9, 10	-	-	18	3, 4, 5, 19	-	3 α
18	4, 5, 19	-	-	18	2, 3, 4, 5, 19	-	-	19	3, 4, 5, 18	-	-
19	4, 5, 18	-	-	19	2, 3, 4, 5, 18	-	-	20	7, 8, 9	-	11 β , 12 β
20	7, 8, 9	-	11, 12 β , 14, 17	20	7, 8, 9	-	-	-	-	-	-

that *ent*-labdanes are laevo-rotatory, while labdanes are dextro-rotatory [24]. Therefore, the absolute configuration of agallochaexcoerin B was tentatively fixed as *ent*-8,13-epoxy-3 β -hydroxy-13-*epi*-labd-14-en-2-one.

Compound **3** was obtained as colorless needles. The ESI-MS of **3** displayed a *pseudo*-molecular-ion peak at m/z 359 ($[M + Na]^+$), corresponding to a molecular formula of $C_{20}H_{32}O_4$. The IR spectrum of **3** revealed the presence of OH (3443 cm^{-1}), CO (1716 cm^{-1}), olefinic ($1661, 1453, 1114, 919\text{ cm}^{-1}$), and ether (1160 cm^{-1}) groups. On acetylation with pyridine and acetic anhydride, **3** gave a diacetate **3a**. The molecular formula $C_{24}H_{36}O_6$ of **3a** was deduced from *quasi*-molecular-ion peak, at m/z 443.2407 ($[M + Na]^+$) in the HR-ESI-MS. The IR spectrum of **3a** showed acetate ($1735, 1225\text{ cm}^{-1}$) and ether (1125 cm^{-1}) moieties, but no OH absorption, suggesting that **3** has two acylable OH groups but no free tertiary OH group, which might be present as an ether.

The $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectrum of **3** was similar to that of **2**, except for the presence of an extra signal for an O-bearing CH group at $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.16, and three Me *singlets* at $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.25, 1.23, and 0.88, which were shifted upfield by 0.05, 0.07, and downfield by 0.11 ppm, respectively, compared with the corresponding Me signals of **2**. Comparison of the $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ spectra (Table 2) of **3** and **2** suggested that the OH group was located at the C(11), based on the substitution effects at the respective α and β positions. The configuration at C(11) in **3** was assigned from the $^1\text{H}, ^1\text{H}$ coupling constant and ^{13}C chemical shifts. The signal of H–C(11) at $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.16 (*dt*, $J = 4.6, 9.4$) was identical to the corresponding signal for *ent*-11 α -hydroxy-3-oxo-13-*epi*-manoyl oxide [12]. Further, the corresponding signal in the diacetate at $\delta(\text{H})$ 5.18–5.22 (*m*), was deshielded. A *trans*-diaxial relationship between the two H-atoms H–C(9) and H–C(11) was assumed, based on the coupling constant between these two H-atoms. Therefore, the orientation of the OH group at C(11) was presumed to be equatorial. The relative configuration was deduced by the NOESY spectrum (Fig. 2, Table 3). The absolute configuration of **3** was considered as an *ent*-derivative in view of its laevo-specific rotation to derive the structure as *ent*-3 $\beta, 11\alpha$ -dihydroxy-2-oxo-13-*epi*-manoyl oxide. The CD spectrum of **3** showed a negative Cotton effect at 288 nm analogous to that of **4**. Therefore, the absolute configuration of **3** was tentatively fixed as *ent*-8,13-epoxy-3 $\beta, 11\alpha$ -dihydroxy-13-*epi*-labd-14-en-2-one.

In cytotoxic studies, compounds **1–6** were tested against human carcinoma cell lines using the MTT (= (3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide) assay. However, none of the compounds showed statistically significant cytotoxicity ($IC_{50} > 50\text{ }\mu\text{g/ml}$) for the cell lines tested.

Experimental Part

General. Column chromatography (CC): silica gel (SiO_2 ; 100–200 or 230–400 mesh, *Acme*). Analytical TLC: Silica gel 60 F254 plates (0.25 mm, *Merck*). M.p.: *Fischer–John micro* melting point apparatus; uncorrected. Optical rotations: *Horiba DIP-370* digital polarimeter. CD Spectra: *Jasco J-810* spectrometer. IR Spectra: *Thermo Nicolet Nexus 670* spectrometer; with KBr pellets. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (300, 500, and 600 MHz) and $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (75, 100, and 150 MHz) spectra: *Bruker Avance-300*, *Varian INOVA-400*, *Varian INOVA-500*, or *Bruker Avance-600* spectrometer in CDCl_3 with TMS as internal standard; coupling constants (J) in Hz. MS: *JEOL MS-BU 20* or a *JEOL LMS-SX-120A QQ* mass spectrometer.

Plant Material. The wood of *Excoecaria agallocha* (1.5 kg) was collected from Visakhapatnam coast (latitude 17° 42' 0" N, longitude 83° 18' 0" E), Andhra Pradesh, India in August 2007, and was identified by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Venkiah, Dept. of Botany, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam. A voucher specimen (IIC-101) has been deposited with the Herbarium of the Indian Institute of Chemical Technology.

Extraction and Isolation. The chopped resinous wood (1.2 kg) was exhaustively extracted three times with acetone in a Soxhlet apparatus (3 × 5 l). Removal of the solvent from the combined acetone extracts gave a brown syrup (25 g). A portion (22 g) of this brown syrup was subjected to CC over SiO₂ using solvent mixtures of increasing polarity from hexane through acetone to yield several fractions. Fr. 5 (500 mg) was chromatographed on SiO₂ with 5% acetone to afford ribenone (**4**; 10 mg), 6% acetone to afford agallochaexoerin C (**3**; 6 mg), and 7% acetone to afford octacosyl (*E*)-ferulate (**6**; 5 mg). Fr. 10 (100 mg) was subjected to SiO₂ CC using 10% acetone to afford *ent*-11 α -hydroxy-3-oxo-13-*epi*-manoyl oxide (**5**; 3 mg), 12% acetone to afford agallochaexoerin B (**2**; 5 mg), and 14% acetone to afford agallochaexoerin A (**1**; 10 mg).

Agallochaexoerin A (= (2R,3aS,7aR,8S,10aS,10bR)-2-Ethenyldecahydro-8-(2-hydroxypropan-2-yl)-2,7a,10a-trimethyloxepino[2,3,4-de]chromen-5(2H)-one; **1**). Colorless needles. M.p. 106–108°. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -32.0$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). UV (EtOH): 230 (4.03), 320 (4.05). IR (KBr): 3377, 1722, 1625, 1290, 1136, 949, 921. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: Tables 1 and 2. HR-ESI-MS: 359.2183 ($[M + Na]^+$, C₂₀H₃₂NaO₄⁺; calc. 359.2192).

Agallochaexoerin B (= (3R,4aS,6aS,8R,10aR,10bS)-3-Ethenyldodecahydro-8-hydroxy-3,4a,7,7,10a-pentamethyl-9H-benzof[*f*]chromen-9-one; **2**). Colorless needles. M.p. 72–74°. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -59.9$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). CD (2×10^{-4} , MeOH): 0 (325), -0.47×10^{-4} (299), 0 (243). IR (KBr): 3440, 1660, 1451, 1160, 1014, 918. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra: Tables 1 and 2. ESI-MS: 355 ($[M + Cl]^+$).

Agallochaexoerin C (= (1R,3R,4aS,6aS,8R,10aR,10bR)-3-Ethenyldodecahydro-1,8-dihydroxy-3,4a,7,7,10a-pentamethyl-9H-benzof[*f*]chromen-9-one; **3**). Colorless needles. M.p. 128–130°. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -69.9$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). CD (2×10^{-4} , MeOH): 0 (329), -0.45×10^{-4} (288), 0 (239). IR (KBr): 3443, 1716, 1661, 1453, 1160, 1114, 919. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra: Tables 1 and 2. ESI-MS: 359 ($[M + Na]^+$).

3 β ,11 α -Diacetoxyagallochaexoerin C (= (1R,3R,4aS,6aS,8R,10aR,10bR)-3-Ethenyldodecahydro-3,4a,7,7,10a-pentamethyl-9-oxo-1H-benzof[*f*]chromene-1,8-diyl Diacetate; **3a**). Colorless needles. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: Tables 1 and 2. HR-ESI-MS: 443.2407 ($[M + Na]^+$, C₂₄H₃₆NaO₇⁺; calc. 443.2409).

Ribenone (= (3R,4aS,6aS,10aR,10bS)-3-Ethenyldecahydro-3,4a,7,7,10a-pentamethyl-1H-benzof[*f*]chromen-8(4aH)-one; **4**). White needles. M.p. 109–110°. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -53.0$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (KBr): 2941, 2858, 1705, 1458, 1383, 1082, 1007. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: Tables 1 and 2. ESI-MS: 327 ($[M + Na]^+$).

***ent*-11 α -Hydroxy-3-oxo-13-*epi*-manoyl Oxide** (= (1R,3R,4aS,6aS,10aR,10bR)-3-Ethenyldecahydro-1-hydroxy-3,4a,7,7,10a-pentamethyl-1H-benzof[*f*]chromen-8(4aH)-one; **5**). Colorless needles. M.p. 114–116°. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -59.2$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (KBr): 3450, 1699, 1677, 1412, 1130, 960, 912. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: Tables 1 and 2. ESI-MS: 321 ($[M + Na]^+$).

Octacosyl (*E*)-Ferulate (= Octacosyl (2E)-3-(4-Hydroxy-3-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-enoate; **6**). White needles. M.p. 78–80°. IR (KBr): 3325, 2941, 2858, 1742, 1625, 1383, 1225, 1082, 1007. ESI-MS: 587 ($[M + H]^+$).

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