

## Six New Sesquiterpenes from *Eupatorium lindleyanum*

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The six new germacrane-type sesquiterpenoid lactones **1–6** were isolated from the  $\text{CHCl}_3$  extract of *Eupatorium lindleyanum* DC. The structures of these compounds were determined by spectroscopic analyses, including interpretation of 1D- and 2D-NMR spectra. Compounds **1–6** were tested for cytotoxicity against NB4 and K562 leukemia cell lines, showing that **2** and **5** possess potent cytotoxicity (Table 3).

**Introduction.** – The plant *Eupatorium lindleyanum* DC., which shows antihistamine and antibacterial activities, is indigenous to China. The whole plant called ‘Ye-Ma-Zhui’ by local residents is used for the treatment of cough and tracheitis [1]. In previous studies, triterpenoids [2], flavonoids [3], and sesquiterpenes [4–8] were isolated from this plant. These isolates showed a variety of biological activities, especially the sesquiterpenes exhibited potent cytotoxicity [5–8]. In our present investigation, six new sesquiterpenoid lactones, eupalinolides F–K<sup>1)</sup> (**1–6**; Fig. 1), were isolated from the whole plant of *Eupatorium lindleyanum* DC. Their structures and configurations were elucidated mainly by spectroscopic methods, especially 2D-NMR techniques; and their cytotoxic activities against NB4 and K562 leukemia cell lines were evaluated.

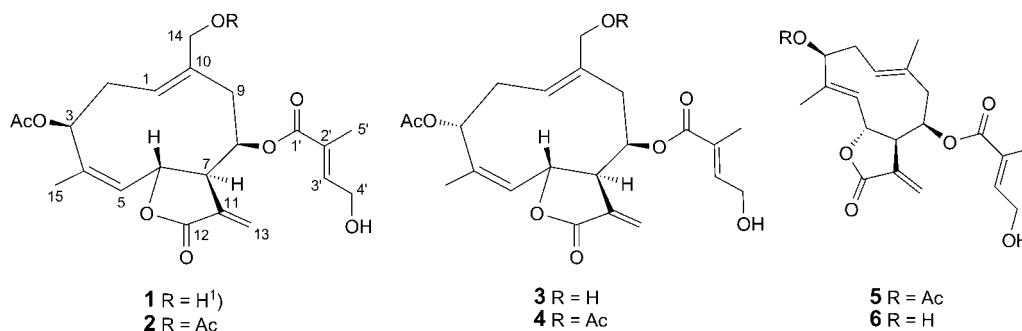


Fig. 1. Compounds **1–6** isolated from *Eupatorium lindleyanum*

**Results and Discussion.** – *Structure Elucidation.* Eupalinolide F (**1**) was obtained as colorless gum. The molecular formula  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_8$  was assigned on the basis of the  $[M + \text{Na}]^+$  peak at  $m/z$  443.1673 ( $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{28}\text{NaO}_8^+$ ) in the HR-ESI-MS. The  $^1\text{H}$ - and

<sup>1)</sup> Trivial atom numbering; for systematic names, see *Exper. Part*.

$^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **1** (Table 1) displayed 22 C-atoms, which were assigned by HSQC, HMBC, and DEPT experiments to the resonances of three Me groups and five secondary, seven tertiary, and seven quaternary C-atoms. These characteristic features implied that **1** is a germacrane type sesquiterpenoid [5]. In the  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR, the signal at  $\delta(\text{C})$  169.3 was assignable to the CO of a lactone group, and the signals at  $\delta(\text{C})$  137.9 and 124.7 were attributable to a terminal C=C bond, indicating the presence of an  $\alpha$ -methylidene- $\gamma$ -lactone moiety, which was confirmed by the corresponding HMBCs (Fig. 2). The H-atom at  $\delta(\text{H})$  5.09 and the C-atom at  $\delta(\text{C})$  76.2 were assigned to H-C(3) and C(3), respectively, of an O-bearing CH group. The downfield shifted H-C(3) signal indicated that an AcO group was attached to C(3), which was confirmed by HMBCs. The signals at  $\delta(\text{H})$  1.70 (br. *s*, Me(5')), 4.09–4.17 (*m*, CH<sub>2</sub>(4')), and 6.64 (br. *s*, H-C(3')) and at  $\delta(\text{C})$  165.6 (ester CO) and 125.9 and 143.4 (C=C bond) obviously pointed to the presence of a (4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy moiety (tiglic acid = (2*E*)-2-methylbut-2-enoic acid), which was confirmed by the pertinent HMBCs and ROESY

Table 1. NMR Data of Compounds **1–3**.  $\delta$  in ppm, *J* in Hz.

Position	<b>1</b> <sup>a)</sup>		<b>2</b> <sup>b)</sup>		<b>3</b> <sup>b)</sup>	
	$\delta(\text{H})$	$\delta(\text{C})$	$\delta(\text{H})$	$\delta(\text{C})$	$\delta(\text{H})$	$\delta(\text{C})$
H-C(1)	5.24–5.32 ( <i>m</i> )	125.7	5.46–5.52 ( <i>m</i> )	129.9	5.22–5.26 ( <i>m</i> )	126.5
CH <sub>2</sub> (2)	2.60–2.70, 2.33–2.42 (2 <i>m</i> )	28.5	2.73–2.80, 2.40–2.47 (2 <i>m</i> )	29.3	2.82–2.88, 2.12–2.18 (2 <i>m</i> )	30.1
H-C(3)	5.09 (br. <i>s</i> )	76.2	5.27–5.31 ( <i>m</i> )	76.1	5.45 ( <i>dd</i> , <i>J</i> = 11.5, 4.5)	71.7
C(4)		135.7		136.5		135.3
H-C(5)	5.19–5.24 ( <i>m</i> )	126.2	5.23 (br. <i>s</i> )	126.2	5.19–5.24 ( <i>m</i> )	125.1
H-C(6)	5.65–5.73 ( <i>m</i> )	75.4	5.85 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 14)	75.4	5.37 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 10.5)	74.3
H-C(7)	3.17–3.21 ( <i>m</i> )	47.1	3.02 (br. <i>s</i> )	48.1	3.06 (br. <i>s</i> )	48.1
H-C(8)	5.16–5.19 ( <i>m</i> )	78.8	5.25 (br. <i>s</i> )	78.5	5.28 (br. <i>s</i> )	78.9
CH <sub>2</sub> (9)	2.98–3.07, 2.26–2.33 (2 <i>m</i> )	36.3	3.13 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 13.5), 2.33 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 14)	37.6	3.10 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 13), 2.25 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 13.5)	37.6
C(10)		139.6		134.2		138.4
C(11)		137.9		137.1		137.1
C(12)		169.3		169.8		169.7
CH <sub>2</sub> (13)	6.17, 5.98 (2 br. <i>s</i> )	124.7	6.36 ( <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 2.5), 5.82 (br. <i>s</i> )	125.1	6.33, 5.85 (2 br. <i>s</i> )	124.9
CH <sub>2</sub> (14)	4.36, 3.80 (2 <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 12.6)	59.4	4.94 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 12.5), 4.65 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 13)	63.2	4.57 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 12.5), 4.20 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 13)	60.2
Me(15)	1.77 ( <i>s</i> )	22.5	1.84 (br. <i>s</i> )	23.0	1.77 (br. <i>s</i> )	17.7
C(1')		165.6		166.0		166.4
C(2')		125.9		127.1		127.6
H-C(3')	6.64 (br. <i>s</i> )	143.4	6.76 (br. <i>s</i> )	142.7	6.75 (br. <i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 5.5)	141.4
CH <sub>2</sub> (4')	4.09–4.17 ( <i>m</i> )	58.0	4.28 ( <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 6)	59.3	4.24 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 6)	58.8
Me(5')	1.70 ( <i>s</i> )	12.3	1.77 ( <i>s</i> )	12.4	1.77 (br. <i>s</i> )	12.4
MeCOO	2.02 ( <i>s</i> )	20.9, 169.0	2.01 ( <i>s</i> )	20.7, 169.4	2.08 ( <i>s</i> )	20.8, 170.3
MeCOO			2.17 ( <i>s</i> )	21.1, 171.2		

<sup>a)</sup> Measured in (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO. <sup>b)</sup> Measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

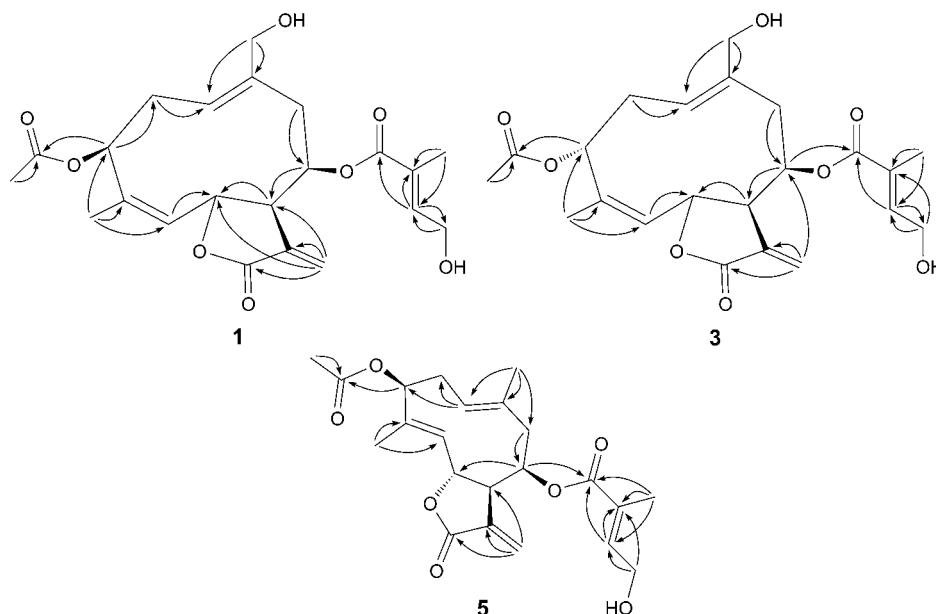


Fig. 2. Key HMBC features of **1**, **3**, and **5**

correlations (Fig. 3) [5]. The position of this unsaturated ester moiety was not indicated by the HMBC spectrum but was assumed to be C(8), because H–C(8) resonated at  $\delta(\text{H})$  5.16–5.19 in the lower-field area. A C=C bond inferred by  $\delta(\text{C})$  125.7 (C(1)) and 139.6 (C(10)) and  $\delta(\text{H})$  5.24–5.32 (*m*, H–C(1)) was assignable to a C(1)=C(10) bond, which was confirmed by the correlations CH<sub>2</sub>(14)/C(1) and CH<sub>2</sub>(14)/C(10) and additional important correlations in the HMBC plot. The other C=C bond inferred by  $\delta(\text{C})$  135.7 (C(4)) and 126.2 (C(5)) and  $\delta(\text{H})$  5.19–5.24 (*m*, H–C(5)) was assignable to C(4)=C(5), which was confirmed by the correlations between Me(15) with C(4) and C(5) and the COSY cross-peaks with the nearby H-atom signals. The relative configuration of **1** was determined *via* a ROESY experiment (Fig. 2), in which the correlations between H–C(7) with H–C(5) and H–C(8) indicated that H–C(5) and H–C(8) were  $\alpha$ -oriented, if H–C(7) adopted an  $\alpha$ -orientation, which we assume on the basis of biogenetic considerations [5]. The geometry of the C(4)=C(5) bond was (*Z*) according to the ROESY correlation H–C(5)/Me(15). In addition, the correlation H–C(3)/Me(15) indicated that H–C(3) was  $\alpha$ -oriented, since H–C(5) also adopted an  $\alpha$ -orientation. The unsaturated ester was determined to be (4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy because the correlations CH<sub>2</sub>(4')/H–C(3') and CH<sub>2</sub>(4')/Me(5') were observed. Based on the above discussion, compound **1** was elucidated to be (1*Z*,3 $\beta$ ,4*Z*,6 $\alpha$ ,7 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3-(acetyloxy)-14-hydroxy-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone<sup>1</sup>.

Eupalinolide G (**2**) showed a molecular formula C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>9</sub> as determined by HR-ESI-MS ( $m/z$  485.1789 ([*M* + Na]<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>30</sub>NaO<sub>9</sub><sup>+</sup>). The <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of **2** (Table 1) displayed 24 C-atoms, which were assigned by HSQC, HMBC, and DEPT

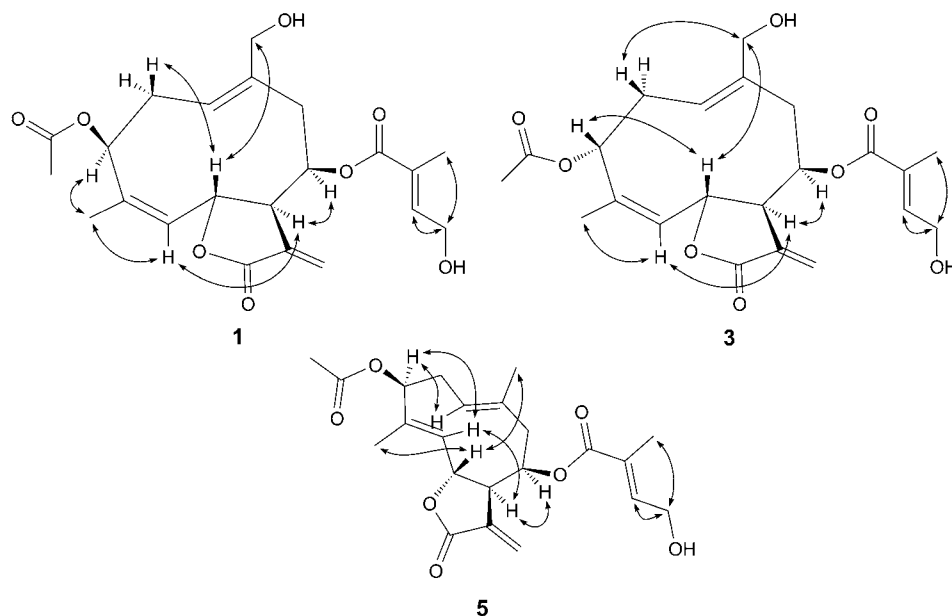


Fig. 3. Key ROESY correlations of **1**, **3**, and **5**

experiments to the resonances of four Me groups and five secondary, seven tertiary, and eight quaternary C-atoms. Comparison of the  $^1\text{H}$ - and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR data of **2** and **1** revealed that they were very similar, except for the signals of  $\text{CH}_2(14)$  and  $\text{C}(14)$ , which in **2** showed a downfield shift, suggesting that  $\text{C}(14)$  ( $\delta(\text{C})$  63.2) bears an ester group. An *AB* pattern at  $\delta(\text{H})$  4.65 and 4.94 was assigned to  $\text{CH}_2(14)$  [4]. HMBC and ROESY (Fig. 2) experiments were run to assign all H- and C-atom signals and the relative configuration of **2**. The latter was also confirmed by comparison with the NMR data of hiyodorilactone B (= (1*E*,3 *$\beta$* ,4*Z*,6 *$\alpha$* ,7 *$\beta$* ,8 *$\beta$* )-3-(acetyloxy)-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone) [9]. Thus, compound **2** was identified as the 14-(acetyloxy) derivative of **1**, namely as (1*Z*,3 *$\beta$* ,4*Z*,6 *$\alpha$* ,7 *$\beta$* ,8 *$\beta$* )-3,14-bis(acetyloxy)-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone<sup>1</sup>).

Eupalinolide H (**3**) gave the molecular formula  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_8$  as determined by HR-ESI-MS ( $m/z$  443.1673 ( $[M + \text{Na}]^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{28}\text{NaO}_8^+$ )) inferring the presence of nine degrees of unsaturation. The  $^1\text{H}$ - and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **3** (Table 1) displayed 22 C-atoms, which were assigned by HSQC, HMBC (Fig. 2), and DEPT experiments to the resonances of three Me groups and five secondary, seven tertiary, and seven quaternary C-atoms. According to the NMR data, compound **3** was similar to compound **1**, the difference being H–C(3) of compound **3**, which had a pronounced downfield shift. The ROESY correlation between H–C(3) and H–C(6) indicated that H–C(3) was  $\beta$ -oriented [7] (Fig. 3). HMBC and ROESY experiments were run to assign all H- and C-atom signals and the relative configuration of **3**. Compound **3** was identified as (1*Z*,3 *$\alpha$* ,4*Z*,6 *$\alpha$* ,7 *$\beta$* ,8 *$\beta$* )-3-(acetyloxy)-14-hydroxy-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone<sup>1</sup>).

Eupalinolide I (**4**) was formulated as  $C_{24}H_{30}O_9$  by HR-ESI-MS ( $m/z$  485.1789 ( $[M + Na]^+$ ,  $C_{24}H_{30}NaO_9^+$ )). The  $^1H$ - and  $^{13}C$ -NMR spectrum of **4** (Table 2) implied 24 C-atoms, which were assigned by HSQC, HMBC, and DEPT experiments to the resonances of four Me groups and five secondary, seven tertiary, and eight quaternary C-atoms. Comparison of the  $^1H$ - and  $^{13}C$ -NMR data of **4** and **3** revealed their similarity, except for those of  $CH_2(14)$  and  $C(14)$  of **4** which were downfield shifted, suggesting that  $C(14)$  ( $\delta(C)$  62.2) bears an ester group. An *AB* pattern at  $\delta(H)$  4.67 and 4.96 was assigned to  $CH_2(14)$ . HMBC and ROESY experiments were run to assign all H- and C-atom signals and the relative configuration of **4**. Thus, compound **4** was identified as (1*Z*,3 *$\alpha$* ,4*Z*,6 *$\alpha$* ,7 *$\beta$* ,8 *$\beta$* )-3,14-bis(acetyloxy)-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone<sup>1</sup>).

Table 2. NMR Data of Compounds **4**–**6**.  $\delta$  in ppm, *J* in Hz.

Position	<b>4</b> <sup>a)</sup>		<b>5</b> <sup>a)</sup>		<b>6</b> <sup>b)</sup>	
	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$
H–C(1)	5.42–5.44 ( <i>m</i> )	129.9	4.95 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 12.9)	127.7	4.96–4.99 ( <i>m</i> )	129.0
CH <sub>2</sub> (2)	2.83–2.90, 2.19–2.27 ( <i>2m</i> )	30.2	2.53–2.61, 2.35–2.39 ( <i>2m</i> )	32.2	2.27–2.33, 2.14–2.22 ( <i>2m</i> )	35.4
H–C(3)	5.52 ( <i>dd</i> , <i>J</i> = 11.5, 5)	71.3	5.20–5.26 ( <i>m</i> )	79.0	4.15–4.18 ( <i>2m</i> )	76.6
C(4)		135.4		139.8		144.2
H–C(5)	5.25–5.29 ( <i>m</i> )	125.0	4.96 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 12.9)	125.5	4.92–4.96 ( <i>m</i> )	123.0
H–C(6)	5.36 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 11)	74.0	5.16–5.20 ( <i>m</i> )	74.9	5.14 ( <i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 9.5)	75.1
H–C(7)	3.07 (br. <i>s</i> )	48.0	2.96–3.00 ( <i>m</i> )	52.3	3.19–3.24 ( <i>m</i> )	50.9
H–C(8)	5.25 (br. <i>s</i> )	78.9	5.79 (br. <i>s</i> )	71.9	5.66–5.69 ( <i>m</i> )	72.1
CH <sub>2</sub> (9)	3.00 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 13), 2.35 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 14)	38.1	2.80–2.87, 2.31–2.37 ( <i>2m</i> )	44.0	2.59–2.66, 2.34–2.39 ( <i>2m</i> )	42.9
C(10)		133.6		136.1		133.5
C(11)		136.9		136.2		137.1
C(12)		169.3		169.6		169.0
CH <sub>2</sub> (13)	6.34 ( <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 2), 5.85 (br. <i>s</i> )	124.9	6.30, 5.64 ( <i>2d</i> , <i>J</i> = 3.2)	121.9	6.13, 5.66 ( <i>2d</i> , <i>J</i> = 3.2)	120.7
CH <sub>2</sub> (14)	4.96,	62.2	1.52 ( <i>s</i> )	19.3	1.41 ( <i>s</i> )	18.7
or Me(14)	4.67 (2 br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 13)					
Me(15)	1.80 (br. <i>s</i> )	17.7	1.78 ( <i>s</i> )	12.8	1.67 ( <i>s</i> )	11.9
C(1')		166.3		166.3		165.7
C(2')		126.9		127.3		125.6
H–C(3')	6.77 (br. <i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 5.5)	142.5	6.80 (br. <i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 5.8)	142.5	6.70 ( <i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 6)	143.9
CH <sub>2</sub> (4')	4.29 (br. <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 6)	59.0	4.35 ( <i>d</i> , <i>J</i> = 5.8)	59.6	4.12–4.16 ( <i>m</i> )	58.0
Me(5')	1.78 (br. <i>s</i> )	12.3	1.80 ( <i>s</i> )	12.9	1.74 ( <i>s</i> )	12.4
MeCOO	2.02 ( <i>s</i> )	20.5, 169.9	2.13 ( <i>s</i> )	21.1, 170.4		
MeCOO	2.10 ( <i>s</i> )	20.7, 170.6				

<sup>a)</sup> Measured in  $CDCl_3$ . <sup>b)</sup> Measured in (D)DMSO.

Eupalinolide J (**5**) had a molecular formula  $C_{22}H_{28}O_7$  as deduced from the  $[M + Na]^+$  peak at  $m/z$  427.1730 ( $C_{22}H_{28}NaO_7^+$ ) in the HR-ESI-MS. The  $^1H$ - and  $^{13}C$ -NMR spectrum of **5** (Table 2) displayed 22 C-atoms, which were assigned by HSQC, HMBC (Fig. 2), and DEPT experiments to the resonances of four Me groups and four secondary, seven

tertiary, and seven quaternary C-atoms. The  $^1\text{H}$ - and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR data of **5** indicated that its structure was closely related to the known compound, (3 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3-(acetyloxy)-14-hydroxy-8-(sarracenyloxy)-costunolide = (1*Z*,3 $\beta$ ,4*E*,6 $\alpha$ ,7 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3-(acetyloxy)-14-hydroxy-8-[(2*E*)-2-(hydroxymethyl)-1-oxobut-2-en-1-yl]oxy}germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone [10], and the two compounds likely possess the same sesquiterpenoid core. The differences were the presence of a Me group at C(10) and of a (4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy moiety at C(8) in compound **5**.

The relative configuration of **5** was demonstrated by the ROESY experiment (Fig. 3). The correlations H–C(7)/H–C(5) and H–C(8) indicated that H–C(5) and H–C(8) were  $\alpha$ -oriented since H–C(7) adopted  $\alpha$ -orientation [5][8]. Then the correlations H–C(3)/H–C(5) suggested that H–C(3) was also  $\alpha$ -oriented. In addition, the correlations Me(15)/H–C(6) was consistent with the (*E*) configuration of C(4)=C(5) and the correlation H–C(5)/H–C(7). Therefore, the structure of **5** was established as depicted in the formula and elucidated to be (1*E*,3 $\beta$ ,4*E*,6 $\alpha$ ,7 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3-(acetyloxy)-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone<sup>1</sup>.

Eupalinolide K (**6**) showed a molecular-ion peak at  $m/z$  385.1624 ( $[M + \text{Na}]^+$ ,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{NaO}_6^+$ ) in its HR-ESI-MS, corresponding to the molecular formula  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_6$ . The  $^1\text{H}$ - and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of **6** (Table 2) displayed 20 C-atoms, which were assigned by HSQC, HMBC, and DEPT experiments to the resonances of three Me groups and four secondary, seven tertiary, and six quaternary C-atoms. Comparison of the  $^1\text{H}$ - and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR data of **6** and **5** revealed their similarity, except for those of H–C(3) and C(3) of **6** which were upfield shifted, suggesting that C(3) ( $\delta(\text{C})$  76.6) bears an OH group. HMBC and ROESY experiments were run to assign all H- and C-atom signals and the relative configuration of **6**. Thus, the structure of **6** was identified as (1*E*,3 $\beta$ ,4*E*,6 $\alpha$ ,7 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3-hydroxy-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone<sup>1</sup>.

**Biological Study.** The cytotoxic activities of the isolated compounds were determined against NB4 and K562 leukemia cell lines with the MTT method [11]. The  $IC_{50}$  values (Table 3) showed that compounds **2** and **4** with an AcO group at C(14) had lower  $IC_{50}$  values than compounds **1** and **3**, which indicated that the AcO group at C(14) may be essential for the cytotoxicity activities of this type of sesquiterpenoid lactones. Moreover, compound **6** with an OH group at C(3) had a higher  $IC_{50}$  value

Table 3. Cytotoxicity of Compounds **1–6** against NB4 and K562 Leukemia Cell Lines ( $IC_{50}$  [ $\mu\text{M}$ ])

Compound	$IC_{50}$ [ $\mu\text{M}$ ]	
	NB4	K562
<b>1</b>	12.54	17.88
<b>2</b>	7.27	8.42
<b>3</b>	26.44	26.44
<b>4</b>	9.77	12.46
<b>5</b>	5.27	3.03
<b>6</b>	17.34	19.59
Adriamycin <sup>a)</sup>	1.93	2.65

<sup>a)</sup> Adriamycin was used as positive control.

than compound **5**, which indicated that the AcO group at C(3) may be essential for the cytotoxic activities of this type of sesquiterpenoid lactones.

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### Experimental Part

*General.* All solvents used were of anal. grade (*Shanghai Chemical Plant*, Shanghai). Prep. HPLC: *H&E* chromatograph, equipped with a *P3050* pump and a *QuikSep* UV detector (*UV50*); *YMC-Pack-ODS-A* column (5  $\mu\text{m}$ ; 250  $\times$  20 mm i.d.); elution with MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O mixtures; flow rate 5 ml/min; detection at 240 and 254 nm;  $t_{\text{R}}$  in min. Column chromatography (CC): silica gel (SiO<sub>2</sub>; 200–300 mesh), *Sephadex LH-20*, *C<sub>18</sub>* reversed-phase silica gel (250 mesh; *YMC*), and *Amberchrom<sup>TM</sup> CG161* (*Rohm and Haas*). TLC: precoated silica gel *GF<sub>254</sub>* plates (*Qingdao Haiyang Chemical Plant*, Qingdao, P. R. China). Optical rotations: in MeOH. *Rodolph-Autopol* polarimeter; IR Spectra: *Varian-ProStar-LC240* spectrometer; KBr disk; in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR Spectra: *Varian-Unity-Inova-400* and *Bruker-AV III-500 MHz* spectrometer; Me<sub>4</sub>Si as internal standard. HR-ESI-MS: *Agilent-6520B-Q-TOF* spectrometer; in *m/z*.

*Plant Material.* The whole plant of *Eupatorium lindleyanum* DC. was collected from Xuyu County of Jiangsu Province, P. R. China, and identified by Prof. *Dao-Feng Chen*, Department of Pharmacognosy, Fudan University, Shanghai, P. R. China. A voucher specimen (DFC-YMZ2010091201) has been deposited with the Herbarium of Materia Medica, Department of Pharmacognosy, School of Pharmacy, Fudan University.

*Extraction and Isolation.* The dried powder of the whole plant (20 kg) of *Eupatorium lindleyanum* DC. was treated with 80% EtOH under reflux. The EtOH extract (2.5 kg), suspended in hot H<sub>2</sub>O, was successively extracted with petroleum ether, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, AcOEt, and BuOH. The CHCl<sub>3</sub> extract was concentrated to give a residue (110 g), which was subjected to CC (SiO<sub>2</sub>, MeOH/CHCl<sub>3</sub> 100:0  $\rightarrow$  0:100): *Fractions 1–6*. *Fr. 3* (10.8 g) was fractionated by CC (*Amberchrom<sup>TM</sup>*, 60% H<sub>2</sub>O/MeOH) and then by CC (SiO<sub>2</sub>, CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH 50:1  $\rightarrow$  2:1): *Frs. 3a–3f*. *Fr. 3b* (51 mg) was purified by semi-prep. reversed-phased HPLC (70% H<sub>2</sub>O/MeOH, **5** (24 mg;  $t_{\text{R}}$  42.6 min). *Fr. 3e* (253 mg) was subjected to semi-prep. reversed-phased HPLC (60% H<sub>2</sub>O/MeOH: **1** (87 mg;  $t_{\text{R}}$  40.2), **2** (21 mg;  $t_{\text{R}}$  47.5), **3** (17 mg;  $t_{\text{R}}$  43.5), **4** (15 mg;  $t_{\text{R}}$  52.4), and **6** (24 mg;  $t_{\text{R}}$  45.9).

*Eupalinolide F* (= (1*Z*,3 $\beta$ ,4*Z*,6 $\alpha$ ,7 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3-(Acetyloxy)-14-hydroxy-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone = (2*E*)-4-Hydroxy-2-methylbut-2-enoic Acid (3*a*R,4*R*,6*Z*,9*S*,10*Z*,11*a*R)-9-(Acetyloxy)-2,3,3*a*,4,5,8,9,11*a*-octahydro-6-(hydroxymethyl)-10-methyl-3-methylene-2-oxocyclodeca[b]furan-4-yl Ester; **1**): Colorless gum.  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -134.8$  ( $c = 0.4$ , MeOH). IR: 3460, 2976, 1653, 1558, 1418, 1260, 1020. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: *Table 1*. HR-ESI-MS: 443.1673 ( $[M + \text{Na}]^+$ , C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NaO<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup>; calc. 443.1676).

*Eupalinolide G* (= (1*Z*,3 $\beta$ ,4*Z*,6 $\alpha$ ,7 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3,14-Bis(acetyloxy)-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone = (2*E*)-4-Hydroxy-2-methylbut-2-enoic Acid (3*a*R,4*R*,6*Z*,9*S*,10*Z*,11*a*R)-9-(Acetyloxy)-6-[(acetyloxy)methyl]-2,3,3*a*,4,5,8,9,11*a*-octahydro-10-methyl-3-methylene-2-oxocyclodeca[b]furan-4-yl Ester; **2**): Colorless gum.  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -110.5$  ( $c = 1.0$ , MeOH). IR: 3460, 2976, 1653, 1558, 1418, 1260, 1020. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: *Table 1*. HR-ESI-MS: 485.1789 ( $[M + \text{Na}]^+$ , C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>30</sub>NaO<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup>; calc. 485.1782).

*Eupalinolide H* (= (1*Z*,3*a*,4*Z*,6 $\alpha$ ,7 $\beta$ ,8 $\beta$ )-3-(Acetyloxy)-14-hydroxy-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone = (2*E*)-4-Hydroxy-2-methylbut-2-enoic Acid (3*a*R,4*R*,6*Z*,9*R*,10*Z*,11*a*R)-9-(Acetyloxy)-2,3,3*a*,4,5,8,9,11*a*-octahydro-6-(hydroxymethyl)-10-methyl-3-methylene-2-oxocyclodeca[b]furan-1-yl Ester; **3**): Colorless gum.  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -109.4$  ( $c = 1.3$ , MeOH). IR: 3460, 2976, 1653, 1558, 1418, 1260, 1020. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: *Table 1*. HR-ESI-MS: 443.1673 ( $[M + \text{Na}]^+$ , C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NaO<sub>8</sub><sup>+</sup>; calc. 443.1676).

*Eupalinolide I* (= (1Z,3a,4Z,6a,7β,8β)-3,14-Bis(acetyloxy)-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone = (2E)-4-Hydroxy-2-methylbut-2-enoic Acid (3aR,4R,6Z,9R,10Z,11aR)-9-(Acetyloxy)-6-[(acetyloxy)methyl]-2,3,3a,4,5,8,9,11a-octahydro-10-methyl-3-methylene-2-oxocyclodeca[b]furan-1-yl Ester; **4**): Colorless gum.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -133.6$  ( $c = 1.2$ , MeOH). IR: 3460, 2976, 1653, 1558, 1418, 1260, 1020. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: Table 2. HR-ESI-MS: 485.1789 ( $[M + Na]^+$ , C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>30</sub>NaO<sub>9</sub><sup>+</sup>; calc. 485.1782).

*Eupalinolide J* (= (1E,3β,4E,6a,7β,8β)-3-(Acetyloxy)-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone = (2E)-4-Hydroxy-2-methylbut-2-enoic Acid (3aR,4R,6E,9S,10E,11aR)-9-(Acetyloxy)-2,3,3a,4,5,8,9,11a-octahydro-6,10-dimethyl-3-methylene-2-oxocyclodeca[b]furan-4-yl Ester; **5**): Colorless gum.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +79$  ( $c = 0.2$ , MeOH). IR: 3460, 2976, 1653, 1558, 1418, 1260, 1020. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: Table 2. HR-ESI-MS: 427.1730 ( $[M + Na]^+$ , C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NaO<sub>7</sub><sup>+</sup>; calc. 427.1727).

*Eupalinolide K* (= (1E,3β,4E,6a,7β,8β)-3-Hydroxy-8-[(4-hydroxytigloyl)oxy]germacra-1(10),4,11(13)-trieno-12,6-lactone = (2E)-4-Hydroxy-2-methylbut-2-enoic Acid (3aR,4R,6E,9S,10E,11aR)-2,3,3a,4,5,8,9,11a-Octahydro-9-hydroxy-6,10-dimethyl-3-methylene-2-oxocyclodeca[b]furan-4-yl Ester; **6**): Colorless gum.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +85.6$  ( $c = 0.3$ , MeOH). IR: 3460, 2976, 1653, 1558, 1418, 1260, 1020. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR: Table 2. HR-ESI-MS: 385.1624 ( $[M + Na]^+$ , C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup>; calc. 385.1622).

*Cytotoxicity Assays.* The cytotoxic assay toward NB4 and K562 leukemia cell lines was carried out by the MTT (= 2-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-3,5-diphenyl-2H-tetrazolium bromide) method [11].

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