Two New Phenylethanoid Glycosides from Callicarpa longissima

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Two new phenylethanoid glycosides, longissimosides A and B (1 and 2, resp.), together with eight structurally related known compounds, were isolated from the EtOH extract of leaves and stems of *Callicarpa longissima* (HEMSL.) MERR. The structures of 1 and 2 were elucidated as 2-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)ethyl O-(α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-O-(2-O-syringoyl- β -D-xylopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-4-O-[(E)-caffeoyl]- β -D-glucopyranoside (1) and 2-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl O-(α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-4-O-[(E)-caffeoyl]- β -D-glucopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-4-O-[(E)-isoferuloyl]- β -D-glucopyranoside (2) on the basis of spectroscopic data and acid hydrolysis.

Introduction. – The genus *Callicarpa* (Verbenaceae) is a rich source of terpenoids [1-3], lignans [4], phenylethanoid glycosides [5], and flavonoids [6] with various biological features, such as antiplatelet aggregation [2], antibacterial [7], antiinflammatory [8], and neuroprotective activities [5]. In China, many species of the genus *Callicarpa*, such as *Callicarpa kwangtungensis* CHUN [9] and *Callicarpa formosana* ROLFE [10], which are collected in 'Pharmacopoeia of the People's Republic of China', 2010 edn., Vol. 1, are widely used for the treatment of rheumatism, stomach disorders, and internal or external bleeding. *Callicarpa longissima* (HEMSL.) MERR. is widely distributed in southern China, and extracts of its leaves and stems have been used to treat common cold, cough, arthritis, bleeding, and abdominal pain by a local minority, '*Yao*' people, for thousands of years [11]. In this work, a detailed phytochemical investigation of the extract of leaves and stems of *C. longissima* was carried out, and two new phenylethanoid glycosides, **1** and **2**, were isolated together with eight structurally related known compounds, **3–10**, which were found in *C. longissima* for the first time.

Results and Discussion. – The 90%-EtOH extract of air-dried leaves and stems of *C. longissima* was chromatographed repeatedly to afford two new phenylethanoid glycosides, **1** and **2**, along with eight structurally related known compounds, acteoside (**3**) [12], forsythoside B (**4**) [13], alyssonoside (**5**) [14], leucosceptoside A (**6**) [15], poliumoside (**7**) [16], isoacteoside (**8**) [12], peiioside A (**9**) [17], and orobanchoside (**10**) [18] (*Fig. 1*). The known compounds were identified by comparison of their spectroscopic data with those reported in the literature.

Compound 1 was obtained as light-yellowish amorphous powder. Its molecular formula was deduced as $C_{43}H_{52}O_{23}$ from HR-ESI-MS (m/z 959.2785 ($[M + Na]^+$; calc.

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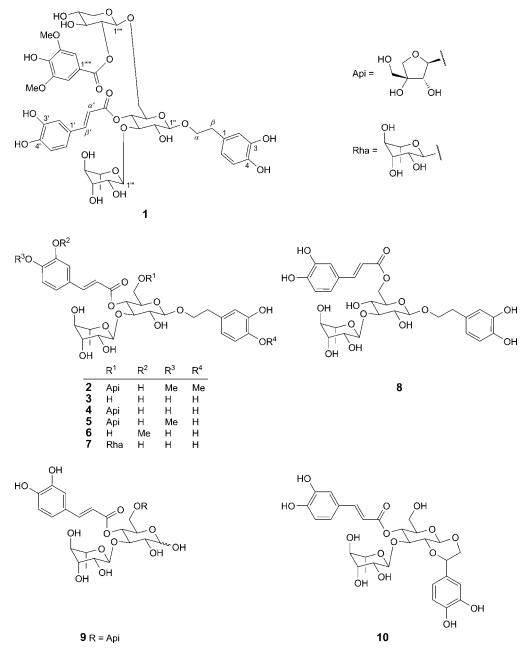


Fig. 1. Chemical structures of 1-10, isolated from Callicarpa longissima

959.2792)), which was further confirmed by its ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR data. The ¹H-NMR spectrum of 1(Table) displayed three aromatic H-atom signals due to one *ABX* system

Position	1		Position	2	
	$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$		$\delta(H)$	$\delta(C)$
Aglycone			Aglycone		
1		131.8	1		132.7
2	6.66 (d, J = 2.0)	116.3	2	6.74 (d, J = 2.0)	117.1
3		146.0	3		147.5
4		144.6	4		147.4
5	6.67 $(d, J = 8.1)$	116.3	5	6.81 (d, J = 8.1)	116.5
6	6.51 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.0)	121.3	6	$6.70 \ (dd, J = 8.1, 2.0)$	121.2
α	3.68 - 3.72 (m),	71.6	α	3.98 - 4.02 (m),	72.2
	3.42 - 3.46 (m)			3.72 - 3.76(m)	
β	2.57 (br. <i>t</i>)	36.6	β	2.83 (br. <i>t</i>)	36.6
Caffeoyl			Isoferuloyl		
1'		127.7	1'		127.6
2'	7.06 $(d, J = 1.9)$	115.2	2'	7.21 $(d, J = 1.9)$	111.7
3'		149.8	3'		150.8
4′		146.8	4′		149.4
5'	6.78 (d, J = 8.2)	116.5	5'	6.83 (d, J = 8.2)	112.8
6′	6.95 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.9)	123.3	6'	7.09 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.9)	124.4
α'	6.24 (d, J = 15.8)	117.2	α'	6.38 (d, J = 15.8)	115.2
β'	7.53 (d, J = 15.8)	148.0	β'	7.66 $(d, J = 15.8)$	147.9
C=O		168.1	C=O		168.1
Glucose			Glucose		
1″	4.20 (d, J = 7.9)	104.2	1″	4.20 (d, J = 7.9)	104.3
2''	3.12 (dd, J = 8.9, 8.0)	75.9	2"	3.38 (dd, J = 9.1, 7.9)	76.2
3″	3.64 - 3.67 (m)	81.3	3″	3.78-3.81 (<i>m</i>)	81.5
4''	3.47 - 3.50 (m)	71.3	4''	3.55 - 3.58(m)	70.9
5''	3.55 - 3.59 (m)	74.6	5″	3.72 - 3.74(m)	74.6
6''	3.85 - 3.87 (m),	69.0	6''	3.70 - 3.73 (m),	68.5
	3.47-3.50 (<i>m</i>)			3.38 (dd, J = 11.0, 5.8)	
Rhamnose			Rhamnose		
1'''	5.11 (d, J = 1.4)	103.0	1'''	5.19 (d, J = 1.7)	103.0
2'''	3.84 - 3.86 (m)	72.2	2'''	3.91 - 3.94 (m)	72.3
3′′′	3.81 - 3.85 (m)	72.0	3'''	3.75 - 3.76 (m)	72.0
4′′′	3.24–3.29 (<i>m</i>)	73.7	4′′′	3.29 (d, J = 9.5)	73.7
5'''	3.58 - 3.60 (m)	70.4	5′′′	3.56 - 3.58 (m)	70.4
6'''	1.06 (d, J = 6.2)	18.4	6'''	1.09 (d, J = 6.2)	18.4
Xylose			Apiose		
1''''	4.56 (d, J = 7.7)	103.2	1''''	4.91 (d, J = 2.3)	111.1
2''''	4.93 (dd, J = 8.5, 8.0)	75.5	2''''	3.86(d, J = 2.3)	78.0
3''''	3.60 - 3.63 (m)	75.9	3''''		80.6
4''''	3.46 - 3.49(m)	70.4	4''''	3.90 (d, J = 9.5),	75.1
5''''	3.90 - 3.93(m),			3.73 (d, J = 9.5)	
	3.23-3.26 (<i>m</i>)	67.0	5''''	3.53 (s)	65.6
Svringovi			4-MeO	3.82 (s)	56.4
Syringoyl		121.6	4'-MeO	3.89 (s)	56.5
2	7.39(s)	121.6			
2 3'''''	(3)				
3		148.8			

Table. ¹*H*- and ¹³*C*-*NMR Data* (600 and 150 MHz, resp.; in CD₃OD) of **1** and **2**. δ in ppm, *J* in Hz.

Position	1		Position	2	
	$\delta(\mathrm{H})$	$\delta(C)$		$\delta(\mathrm{H})$	$\delta(C)$
4'''''		141.8			
5'''''		108.5			
6'''''	7.39(s)	148.8			
7'''''		167.4			
3'''''-MeO	3.83(s)	56.8			
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at $\delta(H)$ 7.06 (d, J = 1.9, H - C(2')), 6.95 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.9, H - C(6')), and 6.78 (d, J = 8.2, H–C(5')) and two (E)-positioned olefinic H-atom signals due to one AX system at δ (H) 7.53 (d, J = 15.8, H–C(β ')) and 6.24 (d, J = 15.8, H–C(α ')). The HMBC spectrum of **1** revealed correlations of H–C(α') with C(β') (δ (C) 148.0), C(1') (127.7), and $C(\alpha')-C=O$ (168.1), of H-C(β') with C(1'), C(α') (117.2), and C(α')-C=O, of H-C(2') $(\delta(H) 7.06)$ with $C(\beta')$, and of H–C(6') with $C(\beta')$, which indicated the presence of an (E)-caffeoyl moiety. Further, the ¹H-NMR spectrum of 1 (*Table*) also showed three aromatic H-atom signals for another ABX system at $\delta(H)$ 6.67 (d, J=8.1, H–C(5)), 6.66 (d, J=2.0, H-C(2)), and 6.51 (dd, J=8.1, 2.0, H-(6)), a broad triplet at 2.57 $(CH_2(\beta))$, and two nonequivalent H-atom signals at 3.68-3.72 and 3.42-3.46 $(CH_2(\alpha))$. The HMBCs of $CH_2(\alpha)$ ($\delta(H)$ 3.68–3.72) with $C(\beta)$ ($\delta(C)$ 36.6) and C(1)(131.8), of $CH_2(\beta)$ ($\delta(H)$ 2.57) with C(1) ($\delta(C)$ 131.8) and C(α) (71.6), of H–C(2) $(\delta(H) 6.66)$ with C(β), and of H–C(6) $(\delta(H) 6.51)$ with C(β) indicated the presence of one (3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)ethyl moiety. In addition, there were two equivalent aromatic H-atom signals at $\delta(H)$ 7.39 (s, H–C(2"", 6"")) and a signal for two MeO groups at 3.83 (s, MeO-C(3"",5"")) in the ¹H-NMR spectrum of **1**. The HMBCs between H–C(2"",6""") (δ (H) 7.39) and C(7"")=O (δ (C) 167.4) confirmed the presence of a syringoyl moiety. Acid hydrolysis of 1 evidenced the presence of Lrhamnose, D-xylose, and D-glucose moieties, in a ratio of 1:1:1, as determined by HPLC analysis [19]. Furthermore, the ¹H-NMR spectrum showed signals for three anomeric H-atoms at δ (H) 5.11 (d, J = 1.4, H-C(1''')), 4.56 (d, J = 7.7, H-C(1''')), and 4.20 (d, J = 7.9, H-C(1'')), which showed HSQCs with the anomeric C-atom signals at $\delta(C)$ 103.0 (C(1''')), 103.2 (C(1''')), and 104.2 (C(1'')), respectively. The coupling constant (J = 7.9) of the anomeric H-atom of the glucose residue and the coupling constant (J = 7.7) of the anomeric H-atom of the xylose residue suggested that both sugar residues were β -forms. The configuration of the rhamnose residue was determined as α by comparing the ¹³C-NMR data of C(3^{'''}) (δ (C) 72.0) and C(5^{'''}) (70.4) with those reported in the literature (α -form: 72.5 and 69.0; β -form: 73.8 and 73.1 [20][21]).

The HMBC spectrum of **1** revealed the connectivities between the different moieties (*Fig.* 2). The HMBCs between H–C(1''') (δ (H) 4.56) and C(6'') (δ (C) 69.0) suggested that the xylose and glucose units were connected by a (1 \rightarrow 6) linkage. The HMBCs between H–C(1''') (δ (H) 5.11) and C(3'') (δ (C) 81.3) indicated that the rhamnose and glucose units were connected by a (1 \rightarrow 3) linkage. Furthermore, the HMBCs between H–C(1'') (δ (H) 4.20) and C(α) (δ (C) 71.6), and between CH₂(α)

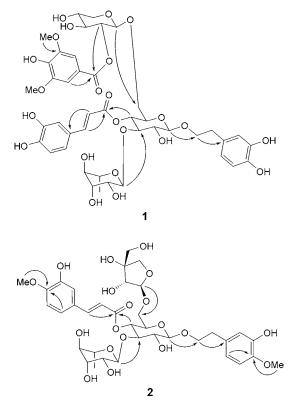


Fig. 2. Key HMBCs $(H \rightarrow C)$ of 1 and 2

 $(\delta(H) 3.68-3.72)$ and C(1'') $(\delta(C) 104.2)$ confirmed the linkage between the (3,4dihydroxyphenyl)ethyl and the glucose residue. The HMBCs between H–C(4'') $(\delta(H) 3.47-3.50)$ and $C(\alpha')-C=O$ $(\delta(C) 168.1)$ evidenced that the (*E*)-caffeoyl moiety was linked to C(4) of the glucose unit. The HMBCs between H–C(2''') $(\delta(H) 4.93)$ and C(7'''')=O $(\delta(C) 167.4)$ indicated that the syringoyl unit was at C(2) of the xylose unit. The ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR assignments for **1** were accomplished unambiguously based on HSQC, HMBC, and COSY data. Consequently, **1** was identified as 2-(3,4dihydroxyphenyl)ethyl *O*-(α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-($1 \rightarrow 3$)-*O*-(2-*O*-syringoyl- β -D-xylopyranosyl)-($1 \rightarrow 6$)-4-*O*-[(*E*)-caffeoyl]- β -D-glucopyranoside (*Fig. 1*) and named longissimoside A.

 J = 15.8, H–C(α')), two MeO groups at 3.89 (*s*, *Me*O–C(4')) and 3.82 (*s*, *Me*O–C(4)), a broad *triplet* at 2.83 (CH₂(β)), and two nonequivalent H-atom signals at 3.98–4.02 and 3.72–3.76 (CH₂(α)) were also detected in the ¹H-NMR spectrum of **2** (*Table*). The HMBCs of H–C(α') (δ (H) 6.38) with C(β') (δ (C) 147.9), C(1') (127.6), and C=O (168.1), of H–C(β') (δ (H) 7.66) with C(1'), C(α') (115.2), and C=O, of H–C(2') (δ (H) 7.21) with C(β'), of H–C(δ') (δ (H) 7.09) with C(β') and C(4') (δ (C) 149.4), and of *Me*O–C(4') (δ (H) 3.89) with C(4') suggested the existence of an (*E*)-isoferuloyl moiety (*Fig.* 2). The HMBCs of CH₂(α) (δ (H) 3.98–4.02) with C(β) (δ (C) 36.6) and C(1) (132.7), of CH₂(β) (δ (H) 2.83) with C(1) and C(α) (72.2), of H–C(2) (δ (H) 6.74) with C(β), of H–C(6) (δ (H) 6.70) with C(β) and C(4) (147.4), and of *Me*O–C(4) (δ (H) 3.82) with C(4) indicated the presence of a (3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl moiety (*Fig.* 2).

Acid hydrolysis of **2** confirmed the presence of L-rhamnose, D-apiose, and Dglucose moieties, in a ratio of 1:1:1, as determined by HPLC analysis [19]. The three anomeric H-atom signals at $\delta(H)$ 5.19 (d, J=1.7, H–C(1''')), 4.91 (d, J=2.3, H–C(1''')), and 4.20 (d, J=7.9, H–C(1'')) showed HSQCs with the C-atom signals at $\delta(C)$ 103.0 (C(1'')), 111.1 (C(1''')), and 104.3 (C(1'')), respectively, indicating the presence of three sugar units. The coupling constants of the anomeric H-atoms of the glucose and apiose residues were 7.9 and 2.3, respectively, suggesting β -configurations for both sugar residues. The configuration of the rhamnose residue was determined to be α from its ¹³C-NMR data [20][21].

The linkages between different moieties were confirmed through the HMBC spectrum (*Fig.* 2). The HMBC between H–C(1^{'''}) (δ (H) 4.91) and C(6'') (δ (C) 68.5) suggested that the apiose and glucose units were connected by a (1 \rightarrow 6) linkage. The HMBC between H–C(1^{'''}) (δ (H) 5.19) and C(3'') (δ (C) 81.5) indicated that the rhamnose and glucose units were connected by a (1 \rightarrow 3) linkage. The HMBCs between H–C(1'') (δ (H) 4.20) and C(α) (δ (C) 72.2), and between CH₂(α) (δ (H) 3.98–4.02) and C(1'') (δ (C) 104.3) confirmed the linkage between the (3-hydroxy-4-methoxy-phenyl)ethyl and the glucose residues. The HMBC between H–C(4'') (δ (H) 3.55–3.58) and C=O (δ (C) 168.1) established that the (*E*)-isoferuloyl moiety was linked to C(4) of the glucose unit. The ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR assignments for **2** were accomplished unambiguously based on HSQC, HMBC, and COSY data. Thus, **2** was elucidated as 2-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl *O*-(α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-*O*-(β -D-apiofuranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-4-*O*-[(*E*)-isoferuloyl]- β -D-glucopyranoside and named longissimoside B.

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Experimental Part

General. TLC: Polyamide film plates $(10 \times 10 \text{ cm}; Taizhou Luqiao Sijia Biochemical Plastics Company, Zhejiang, P. R. China); visualization with UV light at 254 nm. Column chromatography (CC): macroporous resin ($ *D101; Cangzhou Bon Adsorber Technology Co., Ltd.*, P. R. China), Sephadex LH-20 (Amersham Biosciences, Germany), polyamide (40–60 mesh; Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Co., Ltd.,

P. R. China), *MCI* gel (*CHP20P*; 75–150 µm; *Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation*, Japan), and silica gel G (SiO₂; 100–200 mesh; *Qingdao Marine Chemical Factory*, P. R. China). MPLC: *Eyela Ceramic VSP 3050* pump, *Eyela* glass column (300 × 10 mm). Sugar anal. HPLC: *Dionex UltiMate 3000* HPLC system, *Gemini* C₁₈ column (5 µm, 250 × 4.6 mm i.d., *Phenomenex*, USA); flow rate 0.8 ml min⁻¹; detection, at 250 nm. Prep. HPLC: *Shimadzu LC-6AD* pump, *Shimadzu SPD-20A* UV detector, *YMC ODS-A* column (20 × 250 mm, 10 µm); flow rate 8.0 ml min⁻¹; detection, at 330 nm. Optical rotations: *JASCO P1020* digital polarimeter (*JASCO*, Tokyo, Japan). UV Spectra: *Shimadzu UV mini-1240* UV/VIS spectrophotometer; λ_{max} (log ε) in nm. IR Spectra: *PerkinElmer Spectrum One* FT-IR spectrometer (*PerkinElmer*, Norwalk, CT, USA); $\tilde{\nu}$ in cm⁻¹. NMR Spectra: *Bruker ARX-600* spectrometer; in CD₃OD; δ in ppm rel. to Me₄Si as internal standard: *J* in Hz. ESI-MS: *Agilent 1100-LC/MS D Trap SL*; in *m/z*. HR-ESI-MS: *Waters API QSTAR Pular-1* mass spectrometer and *Waters Synapt G2 MS* mass spectrometer; in *m/z*.

Plant Material. Stems and leaves of *C. longissima* were collected at Laibin, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, P. R. China, in April 2012. The plant was identified by traditional Chinese medicine pharmacist *Bin Dai*, Guangxi Institute of Minority Medicine. A voucher specimen (No. 20120401) has been deposited with the Laboratory of Natural Products of the College of Pharmacy, Guangxi Medical University.

Extraction and Isolation. Powder of air-dried stems and leaves (22.0 kg) of C. longissima was extracted two times with 220 l of 90% EtOH/H₂O (each 2 h) under reflux. After evaporation, the residue (1.9 kg) was suspended in H₂O (51) and partitioned successively with AcOEt (3 × 51). The aq. layer was subjected to CC (D101; EtOH/H₂O 0:100, 20:80, 60:40, and 95:5). The fraction (320.0 g) eluted with 60% EtOH was resubjected to CC (D101; EtOH/H₂O 0:100, 10:90, 30:70, 50:50, 70:30, and 95:5) to yield six fractions, Frs. 1-6. Fr. 2 (10.0 g) was submitted to CC (Sephadex LH-20; MeOH/H₂O 30:70) to yield three subfractions, Frs. 2.1-2.3. Fr. 2.1 (0.2 g) was separated by prep. HPLC (MeOH/H₂O 15:85) to afford 9 ($t_{\rm R}$ 15.26 min; 20 mg). Fr. 3 (110.0 g) was dissolved in H₂O and subjected to CC (polyamide; EtOH/H₂O $0:100 \rightarrow 90:10$) to yield five subfractions, Frs. 3.1 – 3.5. Fr. 3.1 (24.0 g) was purified by CC (Sephadex LH-20; MeOH/H₂O 1:1) to afford four subfractions, Frs. 3.1.1-3.1.4. Fr. 3.1.3 (4.0 g) was subjected to MPLC (MCI gel; MeOH/H₂O $0:100 \rightarrow 100:0$) to yield three subfractions, Frs. 3.1.3.1-3.1.3.3. Fr. 3.1.3.3 (0.9 g) was purified by CC (Sephadex LH-20; MeOH/H₂O 70:30) and prep. HPLC (MeOH/H₂O 45:55) to afford 2 (t_R 18.47 min; 100 mg). Fr. 3.1.4 (4.0 g) was separated by prep. HPLC (MeOH/H₂O 35:65) to yield **4** (2.8 g) and Fr. 3.1.4.1. Fr. 3.1.4.1 (1.1 g) was subjected to CC (SiO₂; CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 6:1) to afford 5 (50 mg) and 7 (820 mg). Fr. 3.3 (26.0 g) was separated by CC (Sephadex LH-20; MeOH/H₂O 4:1) to afford four subfractions, Frs. 3.3.1-3.3.4. Fr. 3.3.2 (0.1 g) was purified by prep. HPLC (MeOH/H₂O 35:65) to afford 1 (t_R 59.81 min; 30 mg). Fr. 3.3.3 (9.0 g) was submitted to CC (Sephadex LH-20; MeOH/H₂O 1:1) to give **3** (2.5 g) and Fr. 3.3.3.1 (6.0 g). A part of Fr. 3.3.3.1 (1.1 g) was separated by prep. HPLC (MeOH/H₂O 35:65) to afford $\mathbf{6}$ (t_{R} 40.35 min; 30 mg) and $\mathbf{10}$ (t_{R} 51.94 min; 32 mg). Fr. 3.3.4 (6.0 g) was repeatedly subjected to CC (Sephadex LH-20; MeOH/H₂O 4:1) to yield 8 (1.3 g).

Longissimoside $A = 2-(3,4-Dihydroxyphenyl)ethyl O-(\alpha-L-Rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-O-(2-O-sy$ $ringoyl-\beta-D-xylopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-4-O-[(E)-caffeoyl]-\beta-D-glucopyranoside = 2-(3,4-Dihydroxyphen$ $yl)ethyl 6-Deoxy-\alpha-L-mannopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-[2-O-(4-hydroxy-3,5-dimethoxybenzoyl)-\beta-D-xylopyra$ $nosyl-(1 \rightarrow 6)]-4-O-[(2E)-3-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)prop-2-enoyl]-\beta-D-glucopyranoside; 1). Light-yellow$ $ish amorphous powder. [a]_D^2 = -51.0 (c = 0.50, MeOH). UV (MeOH): 332 (4.24), 290 (4.23). IR (KBr):$ 3443, 3130, 1705, 1610, 1519, 1120. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR:*Table*. HR-ESI-MS: 959.2785 ([<math>M + Na]⁺, C₄₃H₅₂NaO⁺₂₃; calc. 959.2792).

Longissimoside B (=2-(3-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl O-(α -L-Rhamnopyranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 3)-O-(β -D-apiofuranosyl)-(1 \rightarrow 6)-4-O-[(E)-isoferuloyl]- β -D-glucopyranoside = 2-(3-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl 3-O-(β -D-apiofuranosyl)-6-O-(β -D-apiofuranosyl)-4-O-[(2E)-3-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-enoyl]- β -D-glucopyranoside; **2**). White amorphous powder. [a] $_{D}^{2}$ = -85.2 (c = 0.50, MeOH). UV (MeOH): 329 (4.34). IR (KBr): 3442, 3134, 1703, 1631, 1591, 1515, 1271, 1131, 1067. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR: Table. HR-ESI-MS: 783.2720 ([M - H]⁻, C₃₆H₄₇O₁₉; calc. 783.2717).

Acid Hydrolysis and Sugar Analysis [19] of 1 and 2. Each compound (1 mg) was hydrolyzed with 1 ml of 2M HCl at 85° for 1 h. The mixture was extracted with AcOEt (2×1 ml), and the aq. phase was

evaporated under reduced pressure. Then, the residue was dissolved in pyridine (1 ml) containing Lcysteine methyl ester hydrochloride (1 mg) and heated at 60° for 1 h. *o*-Tolyl isothiocyanate (20 μ l) was added to the mixture, which was heated at 60° for 1 h. The mixture was directly analyzed by reversedphase (RP) HPLC. Anal. HPLC was performed on a *RP-18* column at 35° with isocratic MeCN/H₂O/ HCOOH 25 :75 :1 for 40 min. The peaks at *t*_R 22.48, 26.23, 37.48, and 38.28 min were coincided with those of the derivatives of D-glucose, D-xylose, D-apiose, and L-rhamnose.

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