New Pentacyclic Triterpenoids from Centella asiatica

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Three new pentacyclic triterpenoids, named centellasaponins G, H, and F (1-3, resp.), together with four known compounds, 4-7, were isolated from the whole plants of *Centella asiatica*. Their structures were elucidated on the basis of chemical and spectral analysis, including 1D- and 2D-NMR and HR-MS experiments, and by comparison with literature data.

Introduction. – Centella asiatica (L.) URBAN is a traditional herbal medicine used in Asia and Africa. The medicinal preparation obtained from the plant is widely used for wound healing and to treat hypertrophic scars [1][2]. Previous chemical studies showed that pentacyclic triterpenes were the main constituents of this plant [3]. As a part of our continuing search for bioactive components from Centella asiatica, our investigation now revealed the presence of three new pentacyclic triterpenoids named centellasaponins G, H, and F (1–3, resp.), along with four known triterpenes, 4-7 (Fig. 1) [4][5]. Centellasaponin G (1) is isomeric with centellasaponin H (2). They are the first two pentacyclic triterpenes with four sugar units. Centellasaponin F (3) is a new pentacyclic triterpene which bears two HOCH₂ groups at C(4) of the aglycon.

Results and Discussion. – The crude extract of C. asiatica was repeatedly subjected to column chromatography (silica gel) and preparative HPLC to afford seven compounds. Compounds 1-3 were new, and their structures were elucidated on the basis of 1D- and 2D-NMR data in combination with MS studies. The other four compounds were identified as asiaticoside B (4) [6], madecassoside (5) [7], scheffoleoside A (6) [8], and centellasaponin A (7) [9] by comparison of their spectroscopic data with those reported in the literature.

Compound **1** was isolated as white amorphous powder. The HR mass spectrum exhibited a *quasi*-molecular-ion peak at m/z 1159.5516 ($[M+Na]^+$; calc. 1159.5512) consistent with the molecular formula $C_{54}H_{88}O_{25}$. The IR spectrum displayed characteristic absorptions for OH (3442 cm⁻¹), C=O (1735 cm⁻¹), and olefin moieties (1637 cm⁻¹). The ¹³C-NMR data (*Table*) of **1** showed two olefinic signals at δ (C) 126.3 and 138.0. The HMBCs $CH_2(11)$ (δ (H) 2.08–2.15, 2.23–2.27)/ δ (C) 126.3, $CH_2(11)$ /C(13) (δ (C) 138.0); H–C(18) (δ (H) 2.50)/C(12) (δ (C) 126.3); H–C(18)/C(13) (δ (C) 138.0), and Me(27) (δ (H) 1.11)/C(13) established the presence of the C(12)=C(13)

Fig. 1. Compounds 1-7, isolated from Centella asiatica

bond (*Fig.* 2). The long-range correlations Me(29) (δ (H) 0.90)/C(18) (δ (C) 53.4), Me(29) (δ (H) 0.90)/C(20) (δ (C) 39.1); Me(30) (δ (H) 0.86)/C(21) (δ (C) 30.0); and Me(30) (δ (H) 0.86)/C(22) (δ (C) 35.8) showed that compound **1** possessed an ursane-type skeleton. The long-range correlations H–C(1") (δ (H) 6.13)/C(28) (δ (C) 176.3); H–C(1"') (δ (H) 4.92–4.94)/C(6") (δ (C) 69.5), and H–C(1"") (δ (H) 5.84)/C(4"') (δ (C) 77.9) revealed the linkage sequence of the sugar units. The *quasi*-molecular-ion peak established that compound **1** had 162 mass units more than madecassoside (**5**). Moreover, the signals of a sugar unit were observed in the ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra of **1** (*Table*), which were absent in the spectra of madecassoside (**5**). In the HMBC experiment, the long-range correlation H–C(1') (δ (H) 5.29)/C(23) (δ (C) 73.3) was observed, revealing that the single sugar unit was linked to C(23) of the skeleton. From the above evidences, the structure of compound **1**, named centellasaponin G, was elucidated as depicted in *Fig.* 1.

Compound 2 was isolated as white amorphous powder. The HR-ESI mass spectrum exhibited a *quasi*-molecular-ion peak at m/z 1159.5519 ($[M + Na]^+$; calc. 1159.5512)

Table. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR Data of 1, 2, and 3 (in (D₅)pyridine, at 600 and 150 MHz, resp.). δ in ppm, J in Hz.

| Position | Centellasaponin G (1) | | Centellasaponin H (2) | | Centellasaponin F (3) | |
|----------|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| | $\delta(\mathrm{H})$ | δ(C) | δ(H) | δ(C) | δ(H) | δ(C) |
| 1 | $1.38-1.42 \ (m), 2.30-2.34 \ (m)$ | 50.3 (t) | $1.38-1.43 \ (m), 2.28-2.34 \ (m)$ | 50.0 (t) | $1.34-1.41 \ (m)$ | 48.2 (t) |
| 2 | 4.29-4.33 (m) | (<i>b</i>) 8.89 | $4.22 - 4.26 \ (m)$ | (9) 8.89 | $4.04 - 4.08 \ (m)$ | (p) 6.69 |
| 3 | $4.01 - 4.06 \ (m)$ | 79.0 (d) | 3.99-4.03 (m) | 79.1 (d) | 3.43 - 3.47 (m) | 79.6 (d) |
| 4 | | 44.3 (s) | | 44.4 (s) | | 47.9(s) |
| 20 | $1.88 - 1.94 \ (m)$ | 48.8 (d) | $1.84-1.89 \ (m)$ | 50.0(d) | 1.58-1.64 (m) | 48.6(d) |
| 5 | 4.86 - 4.92 (m) | (b) 6.79 | 4.92 (br. s) | (9) 0.89 | $0.94 - 0.98 \ (m)$ | 19.6 (t) |
| 7 | 1.83 - 1.88 (m), 2.18 - 2.22 (m) | 41.1(t) | 1.82 - 1.89 (m), 2.10 - 2.17 (m) | 41.0(t) | . , | 34.0(t) |
| ~ | | 39.5 (s) | | 39.4 (s) | | 43.4 (s) |
| 6 | $1.88 - 1.92 \ (m)$ | 49.5 (d) | 1.84-1.89 (m) | 48.8 (d) | 1.58-1.64 (m) | 48.3 (d) |
| 10 | | 38.0(s) | | 38.0(s) | | 38.8 (s) |
| 11 | 2.08-2.15 (m), 2.23-2.27 (m) | 23.9(t) | $1.97-2.02 \ (m)$ | 23.5 (t) | 1.93-1.98 (m) | 24.7 (t) |
| 12 | 5.49 (br. s) | 126.3(d) | 5.45 (br. s) | 123.8(d) | 5.24 (br. s) | 126.9(d) |
| 13 | | 138.0(s) | | 143.7(s) | | 139.4(s) |
| 4 | | 43.2 (s) | | 42.8 (s) | | 41.0(s) |
| 15 | 1.11 - 1.15 (m), 1.18 - 1.22 (m) | 28.6 (t) | 1.20-1.26 (m), 1.28-1.32 (m) | 28.1(t) | $1.34-1.41 \ (m)$ | 29.3 (t) |
| 16 | $1.88-1.94 \ (m)$ | 24.7 (t) | $1.97-2.02 \ (m)$ | 24.0(t) | 1.93-1.98 (m) | 25.3 (t) |
| 17 | | 48.5 (s) | | 47.1 (s) | | 49.2 (s) |
| 18 | 2.50 (d, J = 12) | 53.4 (d) | 3.15 (dd, J = 12.6) | 41.7 (d) | 2.23 (d, J = 5.4) | 54.1 (d) |
| 6 | $1.28-1.35 \ (m)$ | 39.4(d) | 1.63-1.67 (m) | 46.3 (d) | $0.95 - 0.98 \ (m)$ | 40.4(d) |
| 0 | 0.84 - 0.87 (m) | 39.1 (d) | $1.28-1.32 \ (m)$ | 30.7(d) | 0.95 - 0.98 (m) | 40.2(d) |
| 1 | $1.28-1.33 \ (m)$ | 30.0(t) | $1.20-1.26 \ (m)$ | 34.1 (t) | $1.28-1.33 \ (m)$ | 31.7(t) |
| 2 | $1.63-1.66 \ (m)$ | 35.8 (t) | $1.66-1.72 \ (m)$ | 32.5 (t) | 1.70-1.76 (m) | 37.6 (1 |
| 3 | $3.64 - 3.68 \ (m)$ | 73.3 (t) | 3.69 (d, J=6), 4.25-4.28 (m) | 73.7 (t) | 3.48 - 3.52 (m), 4.02 - 4.05 (m) | 64.6(t) |
| 4 | 1.72 (s) | 15.9(q) | 1.72 (s) | 15.9(q) | 3.59-3.67 (m), 3.77-3.84 (m) | (1) (1) |
| 10 | 1.76(s) | 19.3(q) | 1.74 (s) | 19.1 (q) | 1.04 (s) | 17.9(q) |
| 9 | 1.69(s) | 19.4 (q) | 1.66 (s) | 18.9 (q) | 0.81 (s) | 17.9(q) |
| 27 | 1.11 (s) | 23.8 (q) | 1.16 (s) | 26.1(q) | 1.11 (s) | 24.0(q) |
| ~ | | 176.3(s) | | 176.5(s) | | 178.0(s) |
| 29 | 0.90 (s) | 17.3(q) | 0.83 (s) | 33.1(q) | 0.89 (s) | 17.7(q) |
| 30 | 0.86 (s) | 21.3(a) | 0.84 (s) | 23.6 (a) | 0.95(s) | 21.6(a) |

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| Position | Centellasaponin G (1) | | Centellasaponin H (2) | | Centellasaponin F (3) | |
| | $\delta(\mathrm{H})$ | δ(C) | δ(H) | δ(C) | δ(H) | δ(C) |
| Glc I | | | | | | |
| 1, | 5.29 (br. s) | 101.2(d) | 5.29 (d, J = 6) | 101.2 (d) | | |
| 2, | 4.57 - 4.62 (m) | 70.5 (d) | 4.56 - 4.59 (m) | 70.5 (d) | | |
| 3, | $3.61 - 3.66 \ (m)$ | 77.2 (d) | 3.62 (br. $d, J = 12$) | 77.1 (d) | | |
| , 4 | $4.20-4.26 \ (m)$ | 71.0(d) | 4.20-4.25 (m) | 71.0 (d) | | |
| 5, | $4.34 - 4.40 \ (m)$ | 71.8(d) | $4.34 - 4.38 \ (m)$ | 71.8 (d) | | |
| ,9 | 4.33 – 4.39 (m) | 62.6 (t) | 4.34 – 4.38 (<i>m</i>) | 62.6 (t) | | |
| Gle II | | | | | | |
| 1" | 6.13 (d, J=6) | 95.8 (d) | 6.16 (d, J=6) | 95.8 (d) | 5.28 (d, J=7.8) | 95.9(d) |
| 2", | 4.04 - 4.11 (m) | 73.8 (d) | 4.02 - 4.07 (m) | 73.8 (d) | $3.29 - 3.34 \ (m)$ | 73.8 (d) |
| 3′′ | 4.13-4.17(m) | 78.6(d) | 4.02 - 4.07 (m) | 78.6(d) | $3.36 - 3.40 \ (m)$ | 78.2 (d) |
| ,,4 | $4.21 - 4.26 \ (m)$ | 71.1(d) | 4.42 - 4.44 (m) | 71.0(d) | 3.83 – 3.88 (m) | 71.0(d) |
| 5′′ | $4.00-4.08 \ (m)$ | 78.2 (d) | 4.11 - 4.17 (m) | 78.3 (d) | $3.36 - 3.40 \ (m)$ | (b) 6.77 |
| .,9 | 4.23-4.28 (m), 4.60-4.66 (m) | (69.5(t)) | 4.58 – 4.63 (<i>m</i>) | 69.3 (t) | 3.74 - 3.78 (m), 4.03 - 4.08 (m) | (1) 9.69 |
| Glc III | | | | | | |
| 1" | 4.92 - 4.94 (m) | 105.0(d) | 4.92 - 4.95 (m) | 104.8(d) | 4.36 (d, J=7.8) | 104.5(d) |
| 2′′ | 3.91 $(t, J=6)$ | 75.4 (d) | 3.89 (t, J=6) | 75.3 (d) | 3.21 - 3.25 (m) | 75.3 (d) |
| 3′′ | 4.08 - 4.15 (m) | 76.5 (d) | 4.07 - 4.12 (m) | 76.5 (d) | 3.44 - 3.48 (m) | 76.9(d) |
| ,,, | 4.36 - 4.43 (m) | (77.9 (d) | 4.34 – 4.38 (<i>m</i>) | 78.0(d) | $3.50-3.56 \ (m)$ | 79.5 (d) |
| 5′′ | 4.62 - 4.68 (m) | 72.6(d) | 4.61 - 4.65 (m) | 72.5(d) | 3.44 - 3.48 (m) | 76.7 (d) |
| ,,9 | 4.02-4.08 (m), 4.14-4.21 (m) | 61.3(t) | 4.02 - 4.07 (m), 4.11 - 4.17 (m) | 61.3(t) | 3.60-3.64 (m), 4.01-4.05 (m) | 62.7 (t) |
| Rha IV | | | | | | |
| 1''' | 5.84 (br. s) | 102.7(d) | 5.81 (br. s) | 102.7(d) | 4.84 (br. <i>s</i>) | 102.9(d) |
| 2,,, | 4.45-4.54 (m) | 72.7 (d) | $4.47 - 4.53 \ (m)$ | 72.7(d) | 3.38 - 3.42 (m) | 72.5(d) |
| 3′′′ | 4.45-4.54 (m) | 72.8 (d) | $4.47 - 4.53 \ (m)$ | 72.7 (d) | 3.60-3.64 (m) | 72.3 (d) |
| ,,,4 | 4.26-4.33 (m) | 74.0(d) | $4.07 - 4.12 \ (m)$ | 74.0(d) | 3.28-3.34 (m) | 73.8(d) |
| 2,,, | $4.91 - 4.98 \ (m)$ | 70.3 (d) | $4.56 - 4.60 \ (m)$ | 70.3 (d) | 3.92 - 3.97 (m) | 70.7(d) |
| 9 | 1.68(s) | 18.5(q) | 1.67(s) | 18.5(q) | 1.26(s) | 18.0 (q) |
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Fig. 2. Key HMBC ($H \rightarrow C$) features for 1

consistent with the molecular formula C₅₄H₈₈O₂₅. The IR spectrum displayed characteristic absorptions for OH (3441 cm⁻¹), C=O (1736 cm⁻¹), and olefin moieties (1637 cm⁻¹). The NMR data (*Table*) were similar to those of 1 for rings A - D and the sugar moieties. Comparison of the differing data for ring E and of the olefinic signals between 1 and 2 indicated that they exactly correspond to the typical spectral features of an ursane- and oleanane-type aglycon, respectively. The ¹³C-NMR data of compound 2 exhibited two olefinic signals at $\delta(C)$ 123.8 and 143.7. The long-range correlations $Me(29) (\delta(H) 0.83)/C(19) (\delta(C) 46.3); Me(29)/C(20) (\delta(C) 30.7); Me(29)/C(21) (\delta(C) 46.3); Me(29)/C(20) (\delta(C) 30.7); Me(29)/C(21) (\delta(C) 46.3); Me(29)/C(20) (\delta(C) 30.7); Me(2$ 34.1); Me(29)/C(22) ($\delta(C)$ 32.5); Me(29)/C(30) ($\delta(C)$ 23.6); Me(30) ($\delta(H)0.84$)/ C(20); Me(30)/C(21); Me(30)/C(22); and Me(30)/C(29) ($\delta(C)$ 33.1) evidenced that compound 2 posessed an oleanane-type skeleton (Fig. 3). The long-range correlations H-C(1'') ($\delta(H)$ 6.16)/C(28) ($\delta(C)$ 176.5); H-C(1''') ($\delta(H)$ 4.92-4.95)/C(6'') ($\delta(C)$ 69.3); and H–C(1'''') (δ (H) 5.81)/C(4''') (δ (C) 78.0) revealed the linkage sequence of the sugar units. The long-range correlations H-C(1') ($\delta(H)$ 5.29)/C(23) ($\delta(C)$ 73.7) was also observed, indicating that the single sugar unit is linked to C(23) of the aglycon. From the above evidences, the structure of compound 2, named centellasaponin H, was elucidated as depicted in Fig. 1.

Compound **3** was isolated as white amorphous powder. The HR-ESI mass spectrum exhibited a *quasi*-molecular-ion peak at m/z 997.4990 ([M+Na]+; calc. 997.4984), consistent with the molecular formula $C_{48}H_{78}O_{20}$. The IR spectrum displayed characteristic absorptions for OH (3423 cm⁻¹), C=O (1735 cm⁻¹), and olefin moieties (1637 cm⁻¹). The ¹³C-NMR spectrum data of compound **3** displayed two olefinic signals at $\delta(C)$ 126.9 and 139.4. The correlations $CH_2(11)$ ($\delta(H)$ 1.93–1.98)/C(12) ($\delta(C)$ 126.9); $CH_2(11)/C(13)$ ($\delta(C)$ 139.4); $CH_2(11)/C(13)$ ($CH_2(11)/C(13)$) ($CH_2(11)/C(13)/C(13)$) ($CH_2(11)/C(13)/C(13)/C(13)$) ($CH_2(11)/C(13)/C(13)/C(13)/C(13)/C(13)/C(13)$) ($CH_2(11)/C(13$

Fig. 3. Key HMBC (H \rightarrow C) features for 2

Me(27) (δ (H) 1.11)/C(13) established the presence of the C(12)=C(13) bond as shown in *Fig. 4*. The long-range correlations Me(29) (δ (H) 0.89)/C(18) (δ (C) 54.1); Me(29)/C(19) (δ (C) 40.4); Me(29)/C(20) (δ (C) 40.2); Me(30) (δ (H) 0.95)/C(19); Me(30)/C(20); and Me(30)/C(21) (δ (C) 31.7) indicated that compound **3** possessed an ursane-type skeleton. The NMR data (*Table*) were different from those of madecassoside (**5**) concerning rings *A* and *B*. Compound **3** is lacking a Me signal and displays an additional

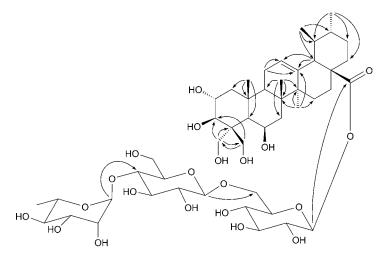


Fig. 4. Key HMBC (H \rightarrow C) features for 3

HO–CH₂ group signal (CH₂ (δ (C) 61.9/ δ (H) 3.59–3.67, 3.77–3.84)). In the HMBC experiment, the long-range correlations CH₂(23) (δ (H) 3.48–3.52, 4.02–4.05)/C(24) (δ (C) 61.9); CH₂(23)/C(3) (δ (C) 79.6); CH₂(23)/C(4) (δ (C) 47.9); and CH₂(24) (δ (H) 3.59–3.67)/C(23) (δ (C) 64.6) were observed (*Fig.* 4). The ¹H,¹H-COSY and NOESY plots showed the correlations CH₂(23) (δ (H) 4.02–4.05) and CH₂(24) (δ (H) 3.77–3.84), which suggested that the HO–CH₂ group (δ (C) 61.9) was positioned at C(4) as OH–CH₂(23). The long-range correlations H–C(1') (δ (H) 5.28)/C(28) (δ (C) 178.0); H–C(1") (δ (H) 4.36)/C(δ (6) (δ (C) 69.6); and H–C(1") (δ (H) 4.84)/C(4") (δ (C) 79.5) revealed the linkage sequence of the sugar units. From the above evidence, the structure of compound **3**, named centellasaponin F, was elucidated as depicted in *Fig.* 1.

Experimental Part

General. TLC: Silica gel $HSGF_{254}$ (Yantai Jiangyou Guijiao Kaifa Co., Ltd., P. R. China); detection by spraying with 10% H_2SO_4 in EtOH, followed by heating. Column chromatography (CC): silica gel (SiO₂, 200–300 mesh; Shanghai Sanpont Co., Ltd., P. R. China). Prep. HPLC: CXTH LC3000 HPLC system (P3000 pump, UV 3000 scanning spectrophotometer, P. R. China); column: YMC-Pack ODS-AQ, 5 μm, i.d. 20×250 mm; Waters μBondapak C18, 10 μm, i.d. 7.8×300 mm; Inertsil ODS-3, 5 μm, i.d. 7.6×250 mm. Optical rotations: Perkin-Elmer-341 polarimeter. IR Spectra: Nicolet-NEXUS-670-FT-IR spectrophotometer, KBr pellets; in cm⁻¹. NMR Spectra: Varian INOVA-400/500 instrument at 400/500 MHz (1 H) and 100/125 MHz (13 C) in (D₅)pyridine; Bruker 600 instrument at 600 (1 H) and 150 MHz (13 C) in (D₅)pyridine; 2 J in Hz. MS: Waters Q-Tof micro YA019 mass spectrometer; in 2 J.

Plant Material. The whole-plant material of Centella asiatica (L.) URBAN was collected in the Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, P. R. China, in July 2008, and identified by Dr. Tong Wu at the Shanghai Institute of Pharmaceutical Industry. A voucher specimen (SIPITCM-080711) has been deposited with the institute.

Extraction and Isolation. The air-dried whole plants of *C. asiatica* (10 kg) were extracted two times with H₂O (100 l for 1.5 h; 80 l for 1 h). The extracts were combined and concentrated to 3 l, and then 95% EtOH (15 l) was added, and the mixture was kept for 24 h. The precipitate was removed by filtration. After solvent removal from the filtrate to reach a volume of 3 l, the crude extract was suspended in H₂O and extracted two times with BuOH (6 and 4.8 l, resp.). The BuOH extract (165 g) was subjected to CC (SiO₂; CHCl₂/MeOH/H₂O 10:2:0.2, 10:4:0.4, 10:5:0.6, and 10:6:1, finally EtOH, each 6 l): Frs. 1–12. Fr. 11 (1.8 g) was purified by prep. HPLC (MeCN/H₂O 15:85, 2 ml/min; 204 nm) to afford Frs. $A_{11} - G_{11}$. Fr. D_{11} (85 mg) was further separated by prep. HPLC (MeCN/H₂O 18:82; 2 mmol/L-β-cyclodextrin; 1 ml/min; 204 nm): 1 (t_R 27 min; 6 mg) and 2 (t_R 19 min; 5 mg). Fr. 6 (3.4 g) was purified by prep. HPLC (MeCN/H₂O 22:53; 6 ml/min; 204 nm) to afford Frs. $A_6 - F_6$. Fr. D_6 (273 mg) was further separated by prep. HPLC (MeCN/H₂O 24:76; 2 mmol/L-β-cyclodextrin; 6 ml/min; 204 nm): 3 (t_R 66 min; 3 mg), 6 (t_R 57 min; 9 mg), and 7 (t_R 68 min; 14 mg). Similarly, 4 (t_R 28 min; 23 mg) and 5 (t_R 34 min; 14 mg) were isolated from Fr. C_6 (140 mg) by prep. HPLC (MeCN/H₂O 22:78; 2 mmol/L-β-cyclodextrin; 2 ml/min; 204 nm).

Centellasaponin G (= α -L-Rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 6)-1-O-[(2 α ,3 β ,6 β)-23-(β -D-glucopyranosyloxy)-2,3,6-trihydroxy-28-oxours-12-en-28-yl]- β -D-glucopyranose; 1). White amorphous powder. [α] $_{20}^{20}$ = 5.304 (c = 0.198, MeOH). IR (KBr): 3442, 2925, 1735, 1637, 1458, 1380, 1234, 1062, 801, 558. 1 H- and 13 C-NMR: see the *Table*. ESI-MS (pos.): 1159.36 ([M + Na] $^{+}$). ESI-MS (neg.): 1135.08 ([M - H] $^{-}$). HR-ESI-MS: 1159.5516 ([M + Na] $^{+}$, C₅₄H₈₈NaO $^{+}$ ₂₅; calc. 1159.5512).

Centellasaponin H (= α -L-Rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 6)-1-O- $\{(2\alpha,3\beta,6\beta)$ -23- $\{(\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl)oxy $\}$ -2,3,6-trihydroxy-28-oxoolean-12-en-28-yl $\}$ - β -D-glucopyranose; **2**). White amorphous powder. [α] $_{0}^{20}$ = 12.069 (c = 0.174, MeOH). IR (KBr): 3441, 2924, 2855, 1736, 1637, 1459, 1377, 1261, 1061, 804, 582. 1 H- and 13 C-NMR: see the *Table*. ESI-MS (pos.): 1159.39 ([M+Na] $^{+}$). ESI-MS (neg.): 1135.24 ([M-H] $^{-}$). HR-ESI-MS: 1159.5519 ([M+Na] $^{+}$, C_{54} H₈₈NaO $_{25}$; calc. 1159.5512).

Centellasaponin F (= α -L-Rhamnopyranosyl-($1 \rightarrow 4$)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-($1 \rightarrow 6$)-1-O-[(2α ,3 β)-2,3,23,24-tetrahydroxy-28-oxours-12-en-28-yl]- β -D-glucopyranose; **3**). White amorphous powder. [α] $_D^0$ = -11.628 (c = 0.043, MeOH). IR (KBr): 3423, 2924, 2855, 1735, 1637, 1458, 1382, 1261, 1063, 802, 577. 1 H- and 1 C-NMR: see the *Table*. ESI-MS (pos.): 997.36 ([M + Na] $^+$). ESI-MS (neg.): 973.39 ([M - H] $^-$). HR-ESI-MS: 997.4990 ([M + Na] $^+$, C_{48} H $_{78}$ NaO $_{20}^+$; calc. 997.4984).

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