ISOLATION AND STRUCTURE OF A NEW POLYETHER ANTIBIOTIC, OCTACYCLOMYCIN

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In the course of a screening program for novel antibiotics showing antitumor activity, a cyclic peptide antibiotic sohbumycin was isolated from the culture broth of Streptomyces sp. No. 82-85, which had been isolated from a soil sample collected in Kanagawa prefecture, Japan. The isolation and physico-chemical properties of sohbumycin and fermentation and taxonomy of the producing organism, Streptomyces sp. No. 82-85, was reported in the preceding paper.¹⁾ Through careful fractionation of the fermentation broth from which sohbumycin was isolated, a new polyether antibiotic named octacyclomycin (1) was isolated which showed both cytocidal activity against B16 melanoma cells and antimicrobial activity against Gram-positive bacteria in vitro. The antibiotic showed no inhibitory activity against Gram-negative bacteria, yeast and fungi at the concentration of $500 \,\mu \text{g/ml}$. This paper deals with the isolation and structure elucidation of octacyclomycin (1).

The fermentation broth (300 liters) was mixed

with 15 kg of Hyflo Super-Cel (Johns-Manville Co., U.S.A.) and then filtered with a filter press. The brown filtrate (260 liters) was adjusted to pH 6.0 and extracted with EtOAc (2×150 liters) and the combined EtOAc layers were concentrated to *ca*. 10 liters, washed with H₂O (5 liters) and dried over Na₂SO₄ (anhydrous). Concentration of the EtOAc layer resulted in a brown oil. The brown oil was chromatographed over silica gel. Fractions which showed antimicrobial activity against *Micrococcus luteus* were collected and further chromatographed over silica gel to afford octacyclomycin Na salt (51.7 mg) as a colorless powder.

Physico-chemical properties of octacyclomycin (1) Na salt are listed on Table 1. The IR spectrum (Fig. 1) indicated the presence of hydroxyl $(3460 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1})$ and carboxylate (1589 cm⁻¹) functions in its structure. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data summarized in Table 2 were obtained through ¹H-¹³C two dimentional NMR spectrometry and 52 carbons and 83 hydrogens including $9 \times CH_3$, $13 \times CH_2$, $5 \times CH$, $3 \times OCH_3$, $14 \times OCH$, $2 \times C-O$, $3 \times O-C-O$, $2 \times O-CH-O$ and $1 \times COO$ were observed. On the other hand, in the MS of octacyclomycin (1) Na salt (Fig. 2), $1,039 ((M+1)^+)$ was observed. By the combination of the MS data and ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data, molecular formula and molecular weight of octacyclomycin (1) Na salt and its free acid were concluded to be $C_{52}H_{87}O_{19}Na$ (MW 1,038) and $C_{52}H_{88}O_{19}$ (MW 1,016), respectively. The functions shown in the ${}^{1}H$ and ¹³C NMR spectra accounted for all the protons in 1 except for five exchangeable ones, which were ascribed to four free hydroxy functions and a carboxyl function. These physico-chemical and spectroscopical characteristics suggested that this compound was classified to be a polyether antibiotic. In the MS of octacyclomycin (1) Na salt,



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^a Recorded on a Jasco model A-102 interferometer.

Table 1. Physico-chemical properties of octacyclomycin(1) Na salt.

Appearance. Optical rotation ^a	Colorless powder $[\alpha]^{24} + 55.0^{\circ}$ (c.0.02, CHCL)
TLC (silica gel)	$CHCl_{2}$ - $CH_{2}OH(19:1)$ Rf 0.64
Molecular formula	$C_{52}H_{07}O_{10}Na$
MW	1,038
UV λ_{max}	End absorption
IR λ_{max}	Fig. 1
FAB-MS	Fig. 2
Color reaction:	
Positive	$50\% H_2SO_4 + \Delta$
Negative	Ninhydrin reagent, iodine

^a Measured with a Jasco model DIP-370 digital polarimeter.

1,061 $((M + Na)^+)$ and 977 $((M + 1 - 62)^+)$ were also observed. The existence of the peak 62 MU less than the corresponding metal-adduct molecular ion is common for polyether antibiotics possessing a β -hemiketal carboxylic acid group and is derived from $((M + 1) - (CO_2 + H_2O))^+$.²⁾

In the ¹³C NMR spectrum of 1, two hemiketal signals ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 97.7 and 98.1) and a ketal signal ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 106.9) were observed together with two anomeric signals ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 102.4 and 103.3) assignnable to two sugar moieties. Up to now, four polyether antibiotics, K-41B ($C_{54}H_{92}O_{20}$),³⁾ CP-91,243

 $(C_{50}H_{84}O_{18})$, CP-91,244 $(C_{51}H_{86}O_{18})$ and UK-58,852 (2, $C_{52}H_{88}O_{18})$,⁴⁾ have been known to possess these moieties (two hemiketals, a ketal and two sugar moieties) in their structures. Because the established molecular formula $(C_{52}H_{88}O_{19})$ of octacyclomycin (1) is different from these known antibiotics, 1 was shown to be a new polyether antibiotic.

Because the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data of octacyclomycin (1) were similar to those of UK-58,852 (2), spectral data of 1 and 2 were compared carefully. The total number of carbons and hydrogens of octacyclomycin (1) were the same with those of 2 but 1 possesses an excess oxygen atom in its structure. Through further comparison of ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data, it was shown that most signals including a carboxyl signal ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 178.7), a methoxyl signal attributed to 6-OCH₃ ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 60.3), C-2 signal ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 45.3), signals attributed to 4-O-methylamicetose moieties and most of the methine and methylene signals were assigned straightforwardly (Table 2). Whereas the number of methyl signals of octacyclomycin (1) is 9 instead of 10 in UK-58,852 (2). Namely, the NMR spectra of 1 lack a methyl signal corresponding to 29-CH₂ in 2 ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 26.06, $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.24). On the other hand, an additional methylene signal at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 65.1 ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.22 (1H, d, J=12 Hz) and 3.98 (1H, d, J=12 Hz)





^a Obtained with a Jeol model JMS-AX500 mass spectrometer.

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Carbon –	Index	δ_{c}^{a}	$\delta_{ m H}{}^{a}$	$\delta_{\rm C}^{\ a}$	$\delta_{\mathrm{H}}{}^{\mathrm{a}}$
1	СООН	178.7		179.19	
2	CH ₂	45.3	2.20	45.74	2.11
	2		2.62		2.47
3	C	98.1		97.16	—
4	CH	44.8	1.40	44.79	1.44
4-CH ₃	CH3	12.6	1.03	12.40	0.99
5	CH	82.1	3.69	81.73	3.74
6	CH	82.8	3.08	82.58	3.13
6-OCH ₃	CH ₃ O	60.3	3.48	59.58	3.45
7	CH	67.9	3.72	67.39	3.65
8	CH	34.6 ^b	1.80	33.54	1.96
8-CH₃	CH ₃	10.9	1.05	11.04	1.01
9	CH	68.8	3.98	67.73	4.18
10	СН	33.7 ^b	1.85	33.66	1.73
10-CH-	CH,	10.6	0.85	10.40	0.79
11	CH	69.9	3.96	70.19	3.88
12	CH.	33.6	1.69	33.90	1.60
12	0112	2210	1 97		1.87
13	C	106.9		107.59	
14	CH.	39.2	1 59	38.96	1.67
14	0112	37.2	1.94	50.50	1.92
15	CH	33.3	1.54	33.48	1.69
15		55.5	2.10	55.40	2.01
16	C	84 4°	2.10	84 55	2.01
16 CH	CH	27.3	1.40	27.65	1 44
10-CFI ₃		27.5	3.46	82.43	3 50
17	СЧ	02.J 28.5	1.47	26.85	1.42
10	CH ₂	20.5	1.47	20.05	1.42
10	CU	22.2	1.03	22.21	1.05
19	$C\Pi_2$	32.3	2.61	52.51	2 27
20	C	07 50	2.01	84.20	2.37
20	C	83.5	1.17	04.20	1.09
20-CH ₃	CH ₃	24.7	1.17	23.24	1.08
21	CH	87.2	3.81	87.08	4.01
22	CH	80.8	4.10	80.94	4.12
23	CH_2	33.2	1.90	32.54	2.21 (2H
~ .	CII	70.1	2.29	00.24	1 16
24	CH	78.1	4.54	80.34	4.46
25	CH	74.8	3.82	/3.05	3.90
26	СН	31.7	1.31	33.21	1.19
26-CH ₃	CH ₃	16.7ª	0.82	17.48	0.82
27	CH ₂	35.3	I.33 (2H)	36.54	1.28
					1.35
28	СН	36.1	1.42	39.97	1.38
28-CH ₃	CH_3	16.2ª	0.82	16.96	0.86
29	С	97.7		96.93	_
29-CH ₂ OH	CH_2	65.1	3.22	—	—
			3.98		
29-CH ₃	CH_3			26.06	1.24
1′	CH	102.4	4.71	102.41	4.65
2'	CH_2	31.1	1.47	31.10	1.48
			1.89		1.87
3′	CH ₂	27.3°	1.34	27.39	1.25
	-		2.18		2.13

Table 2. ¹H and ¹³C NMR chemical shifts of octacyclomycin (1) Na salt and UK-58,852 (2) in CDCl₂.

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Carbon Inde	1			24)	
	Index	$\delta_{\rm C}{}^{\sf a}$	$\delta_{ m H}{}^{a}$	δ_{c}^{a}	$\delta_{\mathrm{H}}{}^{\mathbf{a}}$
4'	СН	80.5 ^f	2.79	80.58	2.76
4'-OCH3	CH ₃ O	56.9 ^g	3.34	56.78	3.30
5'	CH	74.4 ^h	3.27	74.44	3.24
5'-CH3	CH ₃	18.3 ⁱ	1.23	18.28	1.19
1″	CH	103.3	4.41	103.22	4.38
2″	CH ₂	30.6	1.47	30.62	1.51
	-		1.75		1.75
3″	CH ₂	26.9°	1.27	26.99	1.25
	-		2.18		2.14
4″	CH	79.9 ^f	2.82	79.95	2.76
4"-OCH ₃	$CH_{3}O$	56.8 ^g	3.34	56.82	3.30
5″	CH	74.7 ^h	3.30	74.67	3.24
5"-CH ₃	CH_3	18.4 ⁱ	1.25	18.40	1.20

Table 2. (Continued)

^a NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian XL-400 instrument in CDCl₃ solution and the data were expressed in δ ppm from TMS.

^{b~i} Assignments may be interchanged.

Fig. 3. Partial structure (F ring) and ¹³C NMR assignments of nigericin.⁵⁾

	Carbon	δ_{C}		
	25	76.9		
27	26	31.9		
28	26-CH ₃	17.0		
F	27	37.2		
25 29	28	36.8		
	28-CH ₃	16.4		
н он	29	97.2		
	$29-CH_2OH$	67.2		

was newly appeared in the NMR spectrum of 1. Hypothesis of the existence of an excess oxygen atom in its F ring is supported by the similarity of the 13 C NMR spectral data of F ring with those of nigericin (Fig. 3)⁵⁾ especially the higher field shift of the signal attributed to C-28 position. Thus the one oxygen difference in their molecular formula between octacyclomycin (1) and UK-58,852 (2) was explained by the presence of a hydroxymethyl moiety in 1 in place of the methyl group in the molecule of 2 and the structure of octacyclomycin was concluded to be 1.

Cytocidal activity and antimicrobial activity tests were performed as described previously.⁶⁾ Octacyclomycin (1) showed cytocidal activity against B16 melanoma cells and the IC_{50} value was $0.23 \,\mu$ g/ml when the cells were exposed to the antibiotic for 3 days *in vitro*. On the other hand, 1 showed weak antimicrobial activity against Gram-positive bacteria such as Staphylococcus aureus KB 34 (FDA 209P) and Micrococcus luteus KB 40 (PCI 1001) at the concentration of 100 µg/ml, whereas Bacillus subtilis KB 27 (PCI 219) was not affected at this concentration. B. subtilis growth was incompletely inhibited at the concentration of $500 \,\mu\text{g/ml}$. The antibiotic showed no activity against other microorganisms tested (Xanthomonas oryzae KB 88, Candida albicans KF 1, Saccharomyces sake KF 26, Mucor racemosus KF 223 (IFO 4581), Piricularia oryzae KF 180, Aspergillus niger KF 103 (ATCC 6275), Escherichia coli KB 8 (NIHJ), E. coli KB 176 (NIHJ JC-2), Pseudomonas aeruginosa KB 105 (P3), Bacteroides fragilis KB 169, Mycobacterium smegmatis KB 42 (ATCC 607) and Acholeplasma laidlawii PG 8 KB 174) at the concentration of $500 \,\mu\text{g/ml}$.

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