

## New Xenia Diterpenes Isolated from the Soft Coral, *Xenia florida*

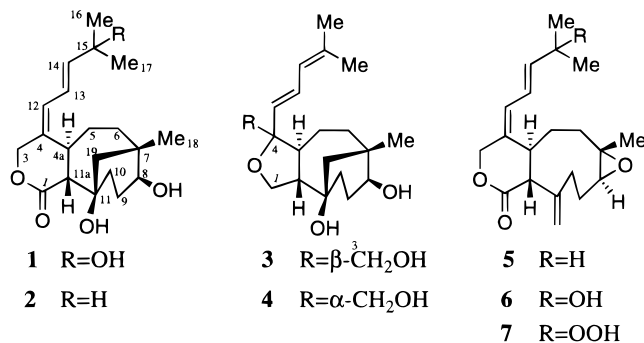
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Seven new xenia diterpenes have been isolated from the soft coral, *Xenia florida*. Four of them possess a bicyclic [4.3.1] ring system. The three others, which contained a cyclononane skeleton with an epoxide, seem to be precursors for diterpenes with a bicyclic [4.3.1] ring system.

Soft corals belonging to the genus *Xenia* (subclass Octocorallia, order Alcyonacea, family Xenidiidae) are rich sources of xenicane-type monocarbocyclic diterpenes, containing a cyclononane skeleton.<sup>1</sup> The methanol extract of *X. florida* (Lesson, 1826) has yielded nine new tricyclic and dicarbocyclic diterpenes, possessing a bicyclic [4.3.1] ring system.<sup>2</sup> Further investigation of *X. florida* has resulted in seven new xenia diterpenes. Four of them, named florlides A (**1**) and B (**2**) and florethers A (**3**) and B (**4**), were dicarbocyclic diterpenes with a bicyclic [4.3.1] ring system. The three others, florlides C (**6**), D (**5**), and E (**7**), containing a cyclononane skeleton with an epoxide, were monocarbocyclic. These latter compounds could be precursors for diterpenes with a bicyclic [4.3.1] ring system.



### Results and Discussion

Florlide A (**1**) showed a UV maximum at 245 nm, suggesting a conjugated diene system. The IR spectrum indicated absorption bands due to hydroxyl (3450 cm<sup>-1</sup>), ester carbonyl (1720 cm<sup>-1</sup>), and conjugated double-bond (1660 cm<sup>-1</sup>) functionalities. The molecular formula for florlide A (**1**), C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, obtained by the HREIMS and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data (Table 1), indicated six equivalents of unsaturation, two of which are accounted for as double bonds [four olefinic carbons δ 121.9 (d), 129.0 (d), 137.7 (c), and 146.5 (d)] and a third as an ester [δ 176.8 (s)]. This implied that florlide A was tricyclic. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data of the A ring and the side chain were similar to those in xeniolide B.<sup>3</sup> Resonances due to two methyl protons on a carbon carrying a hydroxyl group at δ 1.29 (3H, s) and 1.30 (3H each, s), were assigned to H-16 and H-17. The resonance due to H-13 (δ 6.29, 1H, dd, *J* = 11.4, 15.0 Hz) showed that H-13 was coupled to H-12 (δ 6.11, 1H, br d, *J* = 11.4 Hz) and H-14 (1H, δ 5.95, d, *J* = 15.0 Hz). An AB system at δ 4.42 (1H, br d, *J* = 11.7 Hz) and 5.01 (1H, d, *J* = 11.7 Hz) was due to H-3. The presence of the bicyclic

[4.3.1] ring system, containing two hydroxyl groups at C-8 and C-11, was assumed from the resonances due to methyl protons at C-18 (δ 1.03, 3H, s), isolated methylene protons at C-19 (δ 1.66, 1H, br d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, δ 1.82, 1H, d, *J* = 13.9 Hz), and a broad singlet at C-8 (δ 3.35, 1H).<sup>2</sup> The *E* geometry of the double bond at C-13 was determined by the coupling constant (*J* = 15.0 Hz) between H-13 and H-14. The geometry of the olefinic bond between C-4 and C-12 was concluded to be *E* on the basis of a strong NOE from H-4a (δ 2.78, m) to H-13. The stereochemistry of all chiral centers was elucidated from NOE experiments on **1**. NOEs from H-19 (δ 1.66) to H-11a (ca. δ 2.82, 1H, overlapped) and H-18 and from H-11a to H-3 (δ 5.01) showed that these protons occur on the same face of the ring system (β). The large coupling constant (*J* = 12.5 Hz) between H-4a and H-11a (δ 2.62, d) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> suggested that the configuration of H-4a was α-oriented. The α-configuration of H-8 was assumed from the signal pattern (broad singlet) as for floridicins.<sup>2</sup> Therefore, the structure of florlide A was assigned as **1** on the basis of the above results.

Florlide B (**2**) was isolated as an oil with a molecular formula C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, indicating that **2** had one less oxygen than **3**. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was similar to that of **1**, except that the hydroxyl group at C-15 in **1** was replaced with hydrogen: H-14 (δ 5.82, 1H, dd, *J* = 7.0, 14.5 Hz), H-15 (δ ca. 2.40, 1H, m), H-16, and H-17 (δ 1.03, 3H × 2, d, *J* = 6.6 Hz). The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum was also very similar to that of **1**, except for C-13 to C-17. Thus, florlide B (**2**) was concluded to be 15-dehydroxyflorlide A.

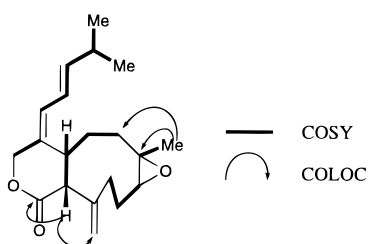
The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral data due to the bicyclic [4.3.1] ring system in florether B (**3**), C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, were similar to those of florlide A (**1**), except that resonances assigned to C-4a and C-5 were shifted downfield and upfield, respectively (Table 1). The presence of a tetrahydrofuran ring with a hydroxymethyl group and a 4-methyl-1,3 pentadiene moiety were deduced by comparing the NMR data with those of xeniaethers A and B.<sup>4</sup> H-1 oxymethylene protons (δ 3.86, 1H, dd, *J* = 7.7, 11.5 Hz and δ 4.17, 1H, t, *J* = 7.7 Hz) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR were coupled to H-11a (δ 2.39, 1H, br dt, *J* = 7.7, 11.5 Hz), which in turn was coupled to H-4a (δ 1.91, 1H, overlapped). An AB system at δ 3.47 and 3.59 (*J* = 11.0 Hz) was assigned to oxymethyl protons at C-4. Resonances due to the 4-methyl-1,3 pentadiene moiety were as follows: δ 1.80 (3H × 2, s, H-16 and H-17), δ 5.56 (1H, d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, H-12), 5.84 (1H, br d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, H-14), and δ 6.55 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.0, 15.2 Hz, H-13). The β-configuration of the hydroxymethyl group was determined by NOE experiments of **3** in which irradiation of H-11a produced peak enhancements of the signals of H-1β (δ 4.16), H-3, and H-19 (δ 1.71, d, *J* = 14.7 Hz). The configurations of H-8 (δ 3.37, 1H, br s) and H-18 (δ 1.06,

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**Table 1.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectral Data for **1–7** in  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ 

C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>1</b>	176.8	176.9	69.3	69.2	176.0	175.9	175.9
<b>3</b>	72.6	72.5	65.2	65.9	72.7	72.6	72.5
<b>4</b>	137.7	136.1	88.2	89.5	137.7	139.3	140.2
<b>4a</b>	38.3	38.3	51.6	45.3	37.2	37.3	37.2
<b>5</b>	35.7	35.5	25.2	26.4	36.9	37.1	37.1
<b>6</b>	39.2	39.2	38.9	39.0	40.0	39.9	39.9
<b>7</b>	38.2	38.3	39.5	39.0	61.3	61.3	61.3
<b>8</b>	74.7	74.7	75.0	75.2	65.6	65.5	65.6
<b>9</b>	28.9	28.7	26.9 <sup>a</sup>	27.0 <sup>a</sup>	28.5	28.5	28.5
<b>10</b>	28.4	28.4	29.1 <sup>a</sup>	28.9 <sup>a</sup>	29.5	29.6	29.4
<b>11</b>	72.6	72.6	72.7	72.9	145.2	145.2	145.0
<b>11a</b>	58.6	58.6	59.0	57.0	58.3	58.3	58.3
<b>12</b>	129.0	129.6	126.1 <sup>b</sup>	125.9	129.7	129.1	129.0
<b>13</b>	121.9	123.1	126.3 <sup>b</sup>	129.2 <sup>b</sup>	123.6	122.6	156.0
<b>14</b>	146.5	146.8	133.5	130.0 <sup>b</sup>	146.8	146.4	142.5
<b>15</b>	71.4	32.7	135.9	135.7	32.6	71.4	82.5
<b>16, 17</b>	29.9, 30.0	22.6, 22.6	26.1, 18.4	26.1, 18.3	22.5, 22.6	29.9, 30.0	24.9, 25.2
<b>18</b>	31.2	31.2	31.6	31.6	19.0	19	19.1
<b>19</b>	43.7	43.7	45.6	45.5	120.8	120.8	121.0

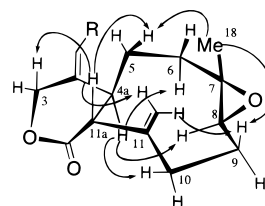
<sup>a,b</sup> These values may be interchangeable in any vertical column.

**Figure 1.**  $^1\text{H}$ – $^1\text{H}$  COSY and COLOC correlations of **5**.

3H, s) were elucidated to be  $\beta$  on the basis of the NOEs from H-18 to H-8 and H-19 and the signal patterns of H-8, as observed for **1** and xeniaethers A and B.

The close resemblance of the  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR data of florether B (**4**),  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_4$ , to those of **3** led us to the assumption that **4** might be a C-4 epimer of **3**. The  $\beta$ -orientation of the diene at C-4 was determined by the observation of NOEs from H-13 ( $\delta$  6.51, 1H, dd,  $J = 11.4$ , 15.0 Hz) to H-1 ( $\delta$  4.12, t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz) and H-11a ( $\delta$  ca. 2.16, 1H, overlapped). Therefore, the structure of florether B was shown to be **4**. This is the second isolation of xenia diterpenes containing a tetrahydrofuran ring.<sup>4</sup>

The molecular formula  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_3$  of florlide D (**5**) indicated seven olefinic bond equivalents. The  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum showed the presence of an epoxide ( $\delta$  59.4, s and  $\delta$  64.1, d), three double bonds ( $\delta$  120.8, t;  $\delta$  123.6, d;  $\delta$  129.7, d;  $\delta$  137.7, s;  $\delta$  145.2, s;  $\delta$  146.8, d), and a lactone carbonyl ( $\delta$  175.0, s), suggesting that **5** was tricyclic. The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data of **5** were similar to those of **2**, except that resonances due to the bicyclic [4.3.1] ring system were missing. Resonances due to methyl protons ( $\delta$  1.21, 3H, s) on the epoxide and to end methylene protons ( $\delta$  5.15, 1H, br s and  $\delta$  5.19, 1H, br s) were observed. The gross structure was assigned by the use of the NMR techniques including  $^1\text{H}$ – $^1\text{H}$  COSY,  $^{13}\text{C}$ – $^1\text{H}$  COSY, and COLOC experiments (Figure 1). The presence of two isolated spin systems from H-11a to H-6 through H-4a and from H-8 to H-10 was elucidated by the  $^1\text{H}$ – $^1\text{H}$  COSY spectrum. H-11a ( $\delta$  3.22, 1H, d,  $J = 9.9$  Hz) was coupled to H-4a ( $\delta$  3.07, 1H, m), which in turn was coupled to H-5 ( $\delta$  1.77, 1H, m;  $\delta$  1.94, 1H, m). The H-5 was further coupled to H-6 ( $\delta$  1.39, 1H, m;  $\delta$  ca. 2.11, 1H, m). The connectivity of C-18 and C-7 resulted from cross peaks from H-18 ( $\delta$  1.21, 3H, s) to C-6 ( $\delta$  38.9, t) and C-7 (59.4, s). Resonances due to an epoxide proton ( $\delta$  3.03, 1H, dd,  $J = 2.7$ , 11.4 Hz, H-8) were coupled to H-9 ( $\delta$  1.48, 1H, dt,  $J = 4.3$ , 11.9 Hz,  $\delta$  ca. 2.22, 1H, overlapped), which

**Figure 2.** NOE correlations of **5**.

in turn were coupled to H-10 ( $\delta$  ca. 2.11, 1H, overlapped,  $\delta$  2.84, 1H, br d,  $J = 14.7$  Hz). Thus, the above results and the biogenetic considerations suggested that the epoxide and the terminal methylene group must be located between C-7 and C-8 and at C-11, respectively.

The stereochemistry was established mainly from NOE experiments (Figure 2). NOEs from H-11a to H-3 ( $\delta$  4.90, 1H, d,  $J = 12.1$  Hz) and H-5 ( $\delta$  1.77) showed that these protons occurred on the same face on the ring system ( $\beta$ ). The coupling constant ( $J = 9.9$  Hz) between H-4a and H-11a suggested a trans ring junction, which implied that H-4a was  $\alpha$ -oriented. NOEs from H-4a to H-6 ( $\delta$  ca. 1.39), H-8, and H-10 ( $\delta$  2.11) suggested that these protons were on the face ( $\alpha$ ) opposite H-11a. The  $\beta$ -configuration of H-18 was determined by the observation of NOEs between H-18 and H-5 $\beta$ .

The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of florlides C (**6**),  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_4$ , and E (**7**),  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_5$ , were similar to that of **5**, except that resonances due to H-15 were missing. In the case of **6**, the molecular formula of which had one more oxygen than **5**, H-14 appeared as a doublet ( $\delta$  5.98, 1H,  $J = 15.0$  Hz) and H-16 and H-17 as singlets ( $\delta$  1.29 and 1.30, 3H each, s). Thus, the H-15 proton in **5** must be replaced by a hydroxyl group. As for **7**, the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signal patterns were almost the same of those of **6**; however, the chemical shift ( $\delta$  82.5) of C-15 in the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum was shifted downfield by 11.1 ppm in comparison with that of **6**. Therefore, the results and the molecular formula suggested a hydroperoxyl group was located at C-15. The stereochemistry of the H-18, epoxides, ring junctions, and olefinic bonds between C-4 and C-12 and at C-13 in **6** and **7** was determined on the basis of results similar to those of **5** obtained from NOEs and  $J$  values.

Diterpenes containing a cyclononane skeleton with an epoxide between C-7 and C-8, such as **5** and **6**, could be precursors for diterpenes possessing a bicyclic [3.2.1] ring system, such as **1** and **2**, as shown in Figure 3.

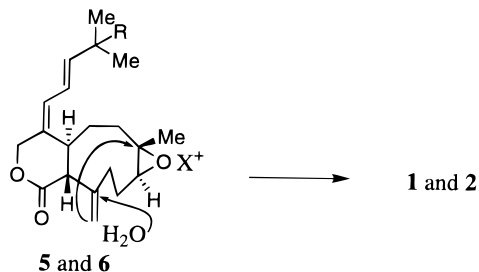


Figure 3. Possible biogenetic pathway for **1** and **2**.

Antibacterial activity tests were performed on compounds **2–6** using the paper disk method. Compounds **2** and **5** had antibacterial activity at 100  $\mu\text{g}/\text{disk}$  against *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Aeromonas salmonisida*, respectively.

### Experimental Section

**Extraction and Isolation.** The organism (wet wt 12 kg) was immersed in MeOH (50 L). The MeOH extract was partitioned between  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . The  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ -soluble portion (12.2 g) was absorbed on Si gel and subjected to a column chromatography of Si gel (Merck 60H, 60 g) packed in hexane, and fractions (100 mL) were collected as follows: 1–4 (hexane), 5–8 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ –hexane, 3:7), 9–12 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ –hexane, 1:1), 13–16 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ –hexane, 4:1), 17–20 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ), 21–23 (MeOH– $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 1:99), 24–36 (MeOH– $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 1:19), 37–41 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ –MeOH, 1:9). Fractions 24–36 (10.2 g) were again chromatographed on Si gel using  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ –hexane, MeOH– $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , and MeOH–ether as solvent systems. Elution with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ –hexane (4:1) to MeOH– $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1:99) gave a residue, which was applied to HPLC (ODS) with MeOH– $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (7:3) to afford **5** (20 mg) and **7** (3.4 mg), as well as floridicin (300 mg) and 2-*O*-methylfloridicin (13 mg). Elution with MeOH– $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1:99 to 1:49) afforded a residue from which **2** (2.3 mg) and **3** (4.0 mg) were separated by use of Si gel chromatography with ether–hexane (4:1) and HPLC with MeOH– $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (7:3). Compound **1** (24 mg) was isolated from the residue by Si gel chromatography with ether and by HPLC with MeOH– $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (17:1). From fractions 37–41, compounds **3** (2.7 mg) and **4** (2.0 mg) were obtained by Si gel chromatography with MeOH–ether (1:49 to 1:26) and by HPLC with MeOH– $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (7:3).

**Florlide A (1):** amorphous white solid;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +95.5^\circ$  ( $c$  0.33, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 246 (4.19) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3450, 1720, 1660, 980, 940  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ )  $\delta$  1.03 (3H, s, H-18), 1.29 and 1.30 (3H each, s, H-16 and H-17), 1.54 (1H, m, H-6 $\beta$ ), 1.65–1.74 (2H, overlapped, H-6 $\alpha$  and H-9), 1.66 (1H, br d,  $J = 13.9$  Hz, H-19), 1.82 (1H, d,  $J = 13.9$  Hz, H-19), ca. 1.89 (1H, m, H-10), 1.97 (1H, m, H-5), 2.09–2.16 (1H, m, H-9), 2.40–2.44 (1H, m, H-10), ca. 2.82 (2H, overlapped, H-4 $\alpha$  and H-11 $\alpha$ ), 3.35 (1H, br s, H-8), 4.42 (1H, d,  $J = 11.7$  Hz, H-3 $\alpha$ ), 5.01 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.7$  Hz, H-3 $\beta$ ), 5.95 (1H, d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, H-14), 6.11 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.4$  Hz, H-12), 6.29 (1H, dd,  $J = 11.4$ , 15.0 Hz, H-13); LREIMS  $m/z$  332  $[\text{M} - 18]^+$ ; HREIMS  $m/z$  332.1986 ( $[\text{M} - 18]^+$ , calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_4$ , 332.1986).

**Florlide B (2):** amorphous white solid;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +150^\circ$  ( $c$  0.08, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 245 nm (4.25); IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3450, 1720, 1650, 970, 940  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ )  $\delta$  1.03 (6H, d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, H-16 and H-17), 1.40–1.52 (1H, m, H-6), 1.64–1.75 (2H, overlapped, H-6 and H-8), 1.65 (1H, br d,  $J = 13.2$  Hz, H-19), 1.78–1.96 (2H, overlapped, H-5 and H-9), 1.81 (1H, d,  $J = 13.2$  Hz, H-19), ca. 1.96 (1H, m, H-5), 2.04–2.11 (1H, m, H-8), 2.36–2.44 (2H, overlapped, H-9 and H-15), ca. 2.79 (2H, overlapped, H-4 $\alpha$  and H-11 $\alpha$ ), 3.36 (1H, br s, H-8), 4.40 (1H, d,  $J = 11.9$  Hz, H-3 $\alpha$ ), 5.00 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.9$  Hz, H-3 $\beta$ ), 5.82 (1H, dd,  $J = 7.0$ , 14.5 Hz, H-14), 6.00 (1H, dd,  $J = 11.2$ , 14.5 Hz, H-13), 6.08 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.2$  Hz, H-12); LREIMS  $m/z$  334  $[\text{M}]^+$ , 318  $[\text{M} - 18]^+$ ; HREIMS  $m/z$  334.2177 ( $[\text{M}]^+$ , calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_4$ , 334.2144).

**Florether A (3):** amorphous white solid;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +52.3^\circ$  ( $c$  0.11, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 244 nm (4.12); IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$

3400, 1655, 995, 960, 940  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  1.06 (3H, s, H-18), 1.71 (1H, br d,  $J = 14.7$  Hz, H-19), 1.80 (3H  $\times$  2, s, H-16 and H-17), 2.04 (1H, m, H-9), 2.39 (1H, dt,  $J = 7.7$ , 11.5 Hz, H-11 $\alpha$ ), 3.37 (1H, br s, H-8), 3.47 and 3.59 (1H each, br d,  $J = 11.0$  Hz, H-3), 3.86 (1H, dd,  $J = 7.7$ , 11.5 Hz, H-1 $\alpha$ ), 4.16 (1H, t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, H-1 $\beta$ ), 5.56 (1H, d,  $J = 15.2$  Hz, H-12), 5.84 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.0$  Hz, H-14), 6.55 (1H, dd,  $J = 11.0$ , 15.2 Hz, H-13); LREIMS  $m/z$  336  $[\text{M}]^+$ ; HREIMS  $m/z$  336.2934 ( $[\text{M}]^+$ , calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_4$ , 336.2899).

**Florether B (4):** amorphous white solid;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +79.4^\circ$  ( $c$  0.08, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 241 nm (4.24); IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3400, 1655, 1000, 970, 940  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  1.02 (3H, s, H-18), 1.63 (1H, br d,  $J = 13.7$  Hz, H-19), 1.80 (1H, d,  $J = 13.7$  Hz, H-19), 1.78 (3H  $\times$  2, s, H-16 and H-17), 1.95 (1H, m, H-4 $\alpha$ ), 2.10 (1H, m, H-9), ca. 2.16 (1H, overlapped, H-11 $\alpha$ ), 3.37 (1H, br s, H-8), 3.86 (1H, dd,  $J = 7.7$ , 10.6, H-1 $\alpha$ ), 4.12 (1H, t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, H-1 $\beta$ ), 5.32 (1H, d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, H-12), 5.83 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.4$  Hz, H-14), 6.51 (1H, dd,  $J = 11.4$ , 15.0 Hz, H-13); HREIMS  $m/z$  336.2275 ( $[\text{M}]^+$ , calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_4$ , 336.2300).

**Florlide D (5):** needles, mp 178  $^\circ\text{C}$ ;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +178^\circ$  ( $c$  0.09, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 246 nm (4.11); IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  1745, 1655, 980,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  1.02 (3H  $\times$  2, d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, H-16 and H-17), 1.21 (3H, s, H-18), 1.39 (1H, m, H-6 $\alpha$ ), 1.48 (1H, dt,  $J = 4.3$ , 11.9 Hz, H-9 $\alpha$ ), 1.77 (1H, m, H-5 $\beta$ ), 1.94 (1H, m, H-5 $\alpha$ ), ca. 2.11 (1H, m, H-10 $\beta$ ), 2.16 (1H, overlapped, H-6 $\beta$ ), ca. 2.22 (1H, overlapped, H-9 $\beta$ ), 2.38 (1H, hept,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, H-15), 2.82 (1H, br d,  $J = 14.7$  Hz, H-10 $\alpha$ ), 3.03 (1H, dd,  $J = 2.7$ , 11.4 Hz, H-8), 3.07 (1H, m, H-4 $\alpha$ ), 3.22 (1H, d,  $J = 9.9$  Hz, H-11 $\alpha$ ), 4.42 (1H, d,  $J = 12.1$  Hz, H-3 $\alpha$ ), 4.90 (1H, br d,  $J = 12.1$  Hz, H-4 $\beta$ ), 5.15 and 5.19 (1H each, br s, H-19), 5.83 (1H, dd,  $J = 6.6$ , 14.7 Hz, H-14), 5.97 (1H, dd,  $J = 11.0$ , 14.7 Hz, H-13), 6.04 (1H, d,  $J = 11.0$  Hz, H-12); LREIMS  $m/z$  316  $[\text{M}]^+$ ; HREIMS  $m/z$  316.2019 ( $[\text{M}]^+$ , calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_3$ , 316.2037).

**Florlide C (6):** amorphous white solid;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +173^\circ$  ( $c$  0.09, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 245 nm (4.24); IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3450, 1735, 1650, 980, 915  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ )  $\delta$  1.20 (3H, s, H-18), 1.29 and 1.30 (3H each, s, H-16 and H-17), 1.44–1.54 (2H, overlapped, H-6 $\alpha$  and H-9 $\alpha$ ), 1.88–1.93 (2H, m, H-5), 2.07–2.17 (3H, overlapped, H-6 $\beta$ , H-9 $\beta$ , and H-10 $\alpha$ ), 2.73 (1H, m, H-10 $\beta$ ), 3.17 (1H, dd,  $J = 2.9$ , 11.4 Hz, H-8), 3.17 (1H, overlapped, H-4 $\alpha$ ), 3.54 (1H, d,  $J = 10.3$  Hz, H-11 $\alpha$ ), 4.45 (1H, d,  $J = 12.1$  Hz, H-3 $\alpha$ ), 5.04 (1H, br d,  $J = 12.1$  Hz, H-3 $\beta$ ), 5.16 and 5.27 (1H each, br s, H-19), 5.98 (1H, d,  $J = 15.0$  Hz, H-14), 6.15 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.4$  Hz, H-12), 6.36 (1H, dd,  $J = 11.4$ , 15.0 Hz, H-13); LREIMS  $m/z$  332  $[\text{M}]^+$ ; HREIMS  $m/z$  314.1926 ( $[\text{M} - \text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$ , calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3$ , 314.1883).

**Florlide D (7):** amorphous white solid;  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +157^\circ$  ( $c$  0.07, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 251 nm (3.94); IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3350, 1735, 1645, 970, 915  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$ )  $\delta$  1.20 (3H, s, H-18), 1.31 and 1.33 (3H each, s, H-16 and H-17), 1.40–1.53 (2H, overlapped, H-6 $\alpha$  and H-9 $\alpha$ ), 1.88–1.92 (2H, m, H-5  $\times$  2), 2.06–2.18 (3H, overlapped, H-6 $\beta$ , H-9 $\beta$ , H-10 $\alpha$ ), 2.72 (1H, m, H-10 $\beta$ ), 3.17 (1H, dd,  $J = 2.4$ , 8.9 Hz, H-8), ca. 3.17 (1H, overlapped, H-4 $\alpha$ ), 3.55 (1H, d,  $J = 10.6$  Hz, H-11 $\alpha$ ), 4.46 (1H, d,  $J = 11.9$  Hz, H-3 $\alpha$ ), 5.04 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.9$  Hz, H-3 $\beta$ ), 5.16 and 5.28 (1H each, br s, H-19), 5.96 (1H, d,  $J = 15.6$  Hz, H-14), 6.16 (1H, br d,  $J = 11.0$  Hz, H-12), 6.33 (1H, dd,  $J = 11.0$ , 15.6 Hz, H-13); LREIMS  $m/z$  330  $[\text{M} - \text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$ ; HREIMS  $m/z$  330.1837 ( $[\text{M} - \text{H}_2\text{O}]^+$ , calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_4$ , 330.1832).

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