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Antibacterial and Antiandrogen Flavonoids from *Sophora flavescens*

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Sixteen flavanones, three flavanonols, and four pterocarpanes were isolated from the MeOH extract of the roots of *Sophora flavescens*. Twelve of these were new compounds, including eight prenylflavanones (**1–8**), one prenylflavanonol (**9**), and three novel pterocarpane derivatives (**10–12**). Their structures were elucidated using NMR and mass spectral methods. Some of these compounds have irregular C₁₀ prenyl moieties at C-8 of the flavanone skeleton. These compounds exhibited significant antibacterial activities against the Gram-positive bacteria *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus subtilis*, *S. epidermidis*, and *Propionibacterium acnes*. They also exhibited antiandrogen activities.

The oriental crude drug "Kushen" (*Sophorae Radix*; Japanese name, "Kujinn"), dried roots of *Sophora flavescens* Aiton (Leguminosae), is used as a Chinese traditional medicine for gastric disturbance as well as antifebrile, anodyne, and anthelmintic activities. Alkaloids,¹ pterocarpanes,² and many kinds of flavonoids^{3–7} are known constituents of Kushen. We previously reported kushenols A–O as constituents of *S. flavescens*.^{6,8} In the course of screening for antibacterial constituents in plants, Kushen was found to have potent antibacterial activity against Gram-positive bacteria. Prenylflavanone derivatives have now been isolated as its antibacterial constituents. Some of these compounds also showed inhibitory activities toward testosterone 5 α -reductase and formation of a complex between 5 α -dihydrotestosterone and its receptor. This paper is concerned with the isolation and structure elucidation of the constituents of *Sophorae Radix* and with the antibacterial and antiandrogen activities of these compounds. Structure–activity relationships are also discussed.

Results and Discussion

The roots of *S. flavescens* were extracted with refluxing MeOH. The EtOAc-soluble fraction of the MeOH extract showed activity against *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Bacillus subtilis*. Thus, the EtOAc-soluble fraction was separated to yield new flavanones, kushenols P–W (**1–8**); a new flavanonol, kushenol X (**9**); and three new pterocarpanes, kushecarpins A–C (**10–12**), along with known compounds, **13–23**. Of these, known compounds, norkurarinone (**13**),⁴ kurarinone (**14**),⁴ neokurarinol (**15**),⁵ isokurarinone (**16**),⁵ norkurarinol (**17**),⁵ kurarinol (**18**),⁵ kushenol A (**19**),⁶ leachianone G (**20**),⁹ kushenol H (**21**),⁸ kushenol I (**22**),⁸ and *l*-maackiain (**23**)² were identified by comparing their spectral data (¹H and ¹³C NMR, [α]_D, and MS) with the reported data.

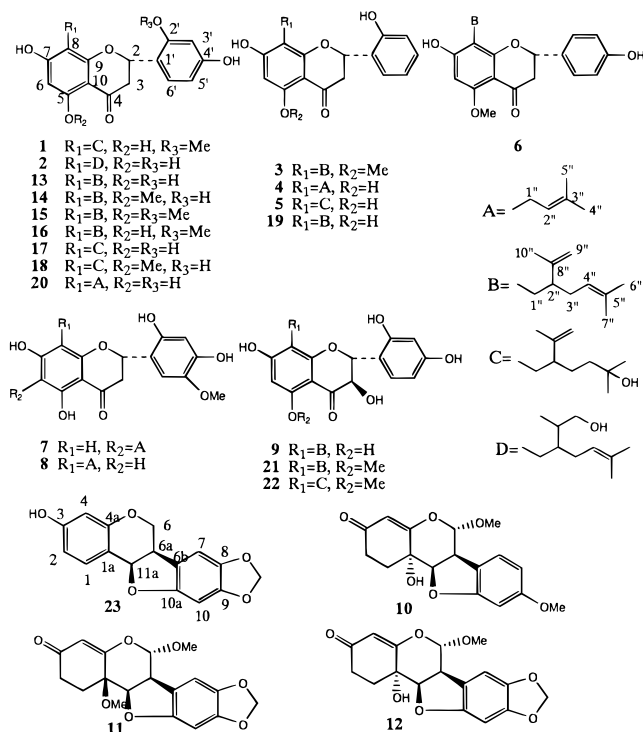
Kushenol P (**1**) (C₂₆H₃₂O₇ by HREIMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The IR spectrum of **1** had absorption bands indicating hydroxyl and carbonyl groups. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **1** showed signals due to a hydrogen-bonded hydroxyl group (C-5) (δ 12.56), H-2 (δ 5.55), and H-3 (δ 2.76, 2.86) of a flavanone, four aromatic protons, and an OMe group. The ¹H NMR spectrum also indicated the presence of a 5-hydroxy-2-isopropenyl-5-methylhexyl moiety (C-type) as in **18**. This was supported by a fragment ion in the MS, *m/z* 315 [M – 141]⁺, from the cleavage of

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the C₁₀ side chain at the benzyl position. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of **1** contained signals of five oxygenated aromatic carbons and one carbonyl carbon. Chemical shifts and signal patterns in the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra indicated that the hydroxyl and OMe groups were at C-5, -7, -2', and -4'. These assignments were confirmed by the HMBC experiment in which the OMe group correlated with C-2' and the hydrogen-bonded OH group correlated with C-6, bearing a proton; C-5; and C-10. Thus, the OMe was deduced to be at C-2' and the C₁₀ prenyl group was deduced to be at C-8. In the CD spectrum of **1**, the characteristic Cotton effects based on n→π* transition of flavanone,¹⁰ a positive absorption at 310 nm, and a negative absorption at 285 nm were observed, from which the absolute configuration of **1** is 2*S*. Thus, the structure of **1** is (2*S*)-8-(5-hydroxy-2-isopropenyl-5-methylhexyl)-2'-methoxy-5,7,4'-trihydroxyflavanone.

Kushenol Q (**2**) (C₂₅H₃₀O₇ by FABMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **2** showed signals due to a hydrogen-bonded hydroxyl proton (δ 12.10) at C-5, H-2 (δ 5.53), and H-3 (δ 2.76, 3.06) of flavanone and four aromatic protons. It also showed a doublet methyl group, two singlet methyl groups, two methylene groups, and a methine group. This suggested the presence of a 2(2-hydroxyisopropyl)-5-methyl-4-hexenyl moiety (D-type). This was further supported by a fragment ion in the MS, *m/z* 301 [M - 141]⁺, from the cleavage of the C₁₀ side chain at the benzyl position. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of **2** showed the presence of five oxygenated aromatic carbons and one carbonyl carbon. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of **2** showed that hydroxyl groups were located at C-5, -7, -2', and -4'. The structure of **2** was confirmed in the HMBC experiment. From the CD spectrum, the absolute configuration at C-2 was determined to be *S*.¹⁰ Thus, **2** is (2*S*)-8[2(2-hydroxyisopropyl)-5-methyl-4-hexenyl]-5,7,2',4'-tetrahydroxyflavanone.

Kushenol R (**3**) (C₂₆H₃₀O₅ by HREIMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **3** showed signals due to H-2 and H-3 of a flavanone derivative, five aromatic protons, and a lavandulyl moiety (B-

type). This was supported from a fragment ion in the MS, *m/z* 299 [M - 123]⁺, from a cleavage of the lavandulyl group at the benzyl position. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of **3** showed signals of four oxygenated aromatic protons, an OMe group, and a carbonyl carbon. Chemical shifts and signal patterns indicated that the hydroxyl groups were at C-5, -7, or -2'. In ¹³C NMR spectrum, carbonyl carbons generally appear at δ 196–198 in the case of flavanones having a hydroxyl group at C-5, but appear at δ 191–193 in the case of flavanones having an OMe group at C-5. The carbonyl carbon signal of **3** appeared at δ 192.8, so the OMe group of **3** was placed at C-5. Structure of **3** was confirmed by HMBC experiment. The absolute configuration of **3** was determined to be 2*S* from the CD spectrum.¹⁰ Thus, **3** is (2*S*)-7,2'-dihydroxy-8-lavandulyl-5-methoxyflavanone.

Kushenol S (**4**) (C₂₀H₂₀O₅ by HREIMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **4** showed signals due to H-2 and H-3 of a flavanone, five aromatic protons, and an isopentenyl moiety (A-type). This was supported by a fragment ion in the MS, *m/z* 285 [M - 55]⁺, from cleavage of the isopentenyl side chain at the benzyl position. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of **4** showed the presence of four oxygenated aromatic carbons. The isopentenyl group was determined to be at C-8 from the HMBC experiment. From the CD spectrum of **4**, the absolute configuration at C-2 was determined to be *S*.¹⁰ Thus, **4** is (2*S*)-8-isopentenyl-5,7,2'-trihydroxyflavanone.

Kushenol T (**5**) (C₂₅H₃₀O₆ by HREIMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **5** showed signals due to H-2 and H-3 of a flavanone and five aromatic protons. The ¹H NMR spectrum and the FABMS fragment at *m/z* 285 [M - 141]⁺ indicated the same side chain as **1**. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of **5** showed that the hydroxyl groups are at C-5, -7, and -2'. The position of the side chain and O-functions were determined in the HMBC experiment. The absolute configuration at C-2 was determined to be *S*.¹⁰ Thus, **5** is (2*S*)-8-(5-hydroxy-2-isopropenyl-5-methylhexyl)-5,7,2'-trihydroxyflavanone.

Kushenol U (**6**) (C₂₆H₃₀O₅ by HREIMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **6** showed signals due to H-2 and H-3 for a flavanone, three aromatic protons, an OMe, and a lavandulyl group. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of **6** indicated four oxygenated aromatic carbons and one carbonyl group. Chemical shifts and signal patterns of **6** in the ¹H NMR and the ¹³C NMR spectra indicated that hydroxyl groups were located at C-7 and -4' and an OMe group is located at C-5. This fact was confirmed by HMBC experiment. The absolute configuration at C-2 was determined to be *S*.¹⁰ Thus, **6** is (2*S*)-7,4'-dihydroxy-8-lavandulyl-5-methoxyflavanone.

Kushenol V (**7**) (C₂₁H₂₂O₇ by HREIMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **7** showed signals due to H-2 and H-3 for flavanone, three aromatic protons, and an isopentenyl moiety (A-type). The ¹³C NMR spectrum of **7** indicated six oxygenated aromatic and one carbonyl carbon. Chemical shifts and signal patterns of **7** indicated that the four hydroxyl groups and one OMe group are located at C-5, -7, -2', -4', and -5'. On irradiation of the OMe signal at δ 3.83, a NOE was observed on the proton signal at δ 6.46. This indicated that the OMe group is at C-5'. The HMBC experiment of **7** showed long-range C-H correlation in which the hydrogen-bonded hydroxyl group (δ 12.31) correlated with C-6 bearing an isopentenyl group, C-5, and C-10, and an OMe group correlated with C-5'. Thus, the OMe group and the

isopentenyl group were determined to be at C-5' and C-6, respectively. The absolute configuration at C-2 was determined to be S^{10} from the CD spectrum. Thus, **7** is (2*S*)-6-isopentenyl-5'-methoxy-5,7,2',4'-tetrahydroxyflavanone.

Kushenol W (**8**) ($C_{21}H_{22}O_7$) by HREIMS) gave a typical flavanone UV spectrum. The 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **8** showed nearly the same chemical shifts and signal patterns as **7**, indicating it to be a positional isomer of **7**. The OMe group was determined to be at C-5' by difference NOE. Thus, the isopentenyl group is at C-8. The CD spectrum of **8** did not show a Cotton effect. Thus, **8** is racemic 8-isopentenyl-5'-methoxy-5,7,2',4'-tetrahydroxyflavanone.

Kushenol X (**9**) was determined to be $C_{25}H_{28}O_7$ (HREIMS). The 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **9** showed signals due to H-2 [δ 5.31 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz)], H-3 [δ 4.56 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz)], C-2 (δ 78.1), and C-3 (δ 72.7) of a flavanone, indicating that **9** was a 2,3-*trans*-flavanone derivative. The 1H NMR spectrum of **9** also showed signals due to four aromatic protons and a lavandulyl group. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum showed five oxygenated aromatic carbon signals and a carbonyl. Chemical shifts and signal patterns of **9** indicated that hydroxyl groups were at C-3, -5, -7, -2', and -4' and that a lavandulyl group was at C-8. The absolute configuration at C-2 and C-3 was 2*R*,3*R*¹⁰ as determined from the CD spectrum. Thus, **9** is (2*R*,3*R*)-8-lavandulyl-5,7,2',4'-tetrahydroxyflavanone.

Kushecarpin A (**10**) was determined to be $C_{17}H_{18}O_6$ (HRFABMS). The 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **10** were similar to those of pterocarpanes, and the UV suggested an α,β -unsaturated ketone. The IR spectrum of **10** indicated α,β -unsaturated ketone (1658 cm^{-1}) and hydroxyl (3429 cm^{-1}) groups. The 1H NMR spectrum of **10** showed signals due to H-1 (δ 2.11, 2.56), H-2 (δ 2.44, 2.91), H-4 (δ 5.58), H-6 (δ 5.00), H-6a (δ 3.87), H-11a (δ 4.87), three aromatic protons (δ 6.36, 6.49, 7.12), and two MeO groups (δ 3.57, 3.76). The HMBC experiment showed that the MeO groups were located at C-6 and C-9. The CD spectrum of **10** showed a positive Cotton effect at 326 nm, based upon a $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition,¹¹ and a negative Cotton effect at 245 nm, based upon a $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition¹² of α,β -unsaturated ketone. From these data, the absolute configuration was determined to be 6*S*,6*aS*,11*aR*,11*bS*. Thus, the structure of kushecarpin A (**10**) is as shown.

Kushecarpin B (**11**) was determined to be $C_{18}H_{18}O_7$ (HREIMS), and the 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were similar to those of **10**. The UV spectrum indicated an α,β -unsaturated ketone. The 1H NMR spectrum of **11** showed signals due to H-1 (δ 2.25, 2.36), H-2 (δ 2.53, 2.74), H-4 (δ 5.49), H-6 (δ 5.25), H-6a (δ 4.08), H-11a (δ 5.37), two aromatic protons (δ 6.27, 6.67), a methylenedioxy group, and two MeO groups. The NMR signal patterns indicated that the MeOs were located at C-6 and C-11b. The relative configuration of **11** was deduced from the coupling constants and from the difference NOE experiment. From the application of positive (249 nm) and negative (310 nm) Cotton effects of **11** to the rule for $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition¹² and $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition¹¹ of α,β -unsaturated ketone, the absolute configuration was determined to be 6*S*,6*aS*,11*aR*,11*bR*. Thus, the structure of kushecarpin B (**11**) is as shown.

Kushecarpin C (**12**) was determined to be $C_{17}H_{16}O_7$ (FABMS), and the 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **12** showed the hybrid signal pattern between those of **10** and **11**. The 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra at C-1, -2, -3, -4, -4a, -6, -6a, -11a, and -11b were identical with those of **10** (see Experimental Section) and the 1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra at C-6b, -7, -8, -9, -10, -10a, and the methylenedioxy group were identical with those of **11** (see Experimental Section). Thus the

Table 1. MIC^a($\mu\text{g/mL}$) of Prenyl Flavones Against *S. aureus* and *B. subtilis*

compound	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>B. subtilis</i>
2	5.0	5.0
3	5.0	2.5
4	5.0	5.0
6	10	10
7	10	10
8	10	10
9	10	10
13	2.5	2.5
14	2.5	2.5
15	2.5	2.5
16	2.5	2.5
19	5.0	2.5
20	5.0	2.5

^a Minimal inhibitory concentration.

Table 2. MIC^a($\mu\text{g/mL}$) of Prenyl Flavones Against *S. epidermidis* and *P. acnes*

compound	<i>S. epidermidis</i>	<i>P. acnes</i>
3	5.0	10
6	10	10
13	10	10
15	10	25
16	5.0	10
19	5.0	10

^a Minimal inhibitory concentration.

structure of **12** was deduced, and the absolute configuration of **12** should be the same as **10**. Compounds analogous to **10**, **11**, and **12** were previously reported as microbial metabolites¹³ derived from maackiain and medicarpin.

Compounds **1–9** and **13–23** were evaluated for antibacterial activity against the Gram-positive bacteria, *S. aureus* and *B. subtilis*. Minimal inhibitory concentrations (MIC) of these compounds are summarized in Table 1. Compounds **13–16** were the most inhibitory, and **1**, **17**, and **18** had lower activity than the other compounds. These results indicate that prenylflavanone derivatives having lavandulyl or isopentenyl moieties have potent activity, and the C-type side chain possessing a hydroxyl group reduces the antibacterial activity. A hydroxyl group at C-3 also decreased the antibacterial activity. Similarly, several compounds showed the antibacterial activity against skin residential floras such as *S. epidermidis* and *Propionibacterium acnes* as shown in Table 2.

Most of the isolated prenylflavanone derivatives were tested for inhibitory activity on testosterone 5 α -reductase and formation of a complex between 5 α -dihydrotestosterone (5 α -DHT) and its receptor. The results are summarized in Table 3. Nearly all of these compounds had antiandrogen activity, with **13** and **16** being the most potent. Quantitative analysis of the binding of 5 α -DHT to its receptor at various [³H]DHT concentrations by the double reciprocal plots of Lineweaver–Burk indicated that **16** inhibited the binding in a competitive manner.

Experimental Section

General Experimental Procedures. NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL α -400 spectrometer (1H NMR at 400 MHz, ^{13}C NMR at 100 MHz), and chemical shifts were given in parts per million (ppm) (δ), with TMS as an internal standard. FABMS were recorded on a JEOL JMX-SX102 mass spectrometer using *m*-nitrobenzyl alcohol as matrix. HREIMS were recorded on a JEOL D-300 mass spectrometer. HRFABMS was recorded on a JEOL HX110 mass spectrometer. Optical rotations were recorded on a JASCO DIP-370 digital polarimeter (at 25 °C). IR spectra were recorded on Perkin–Elmer Spectrum GX FT–IR spectrometer. UV spectra were recorded

Table 3. Antiandrogen Activity of Prenyl Flavones

compound	5 α -reductase inhibitory rate (%) (μ g/mL)			5 α -DHT-receptor binding inhibitory rate (%) (μ g/mL)		
	50	100	200	50	100	200
glabridin ^a	32.5	84.3		63.2	88.2	
1	26.0	76.1	93.6	63.1	77.0	83.0
2	0.9	34.8	88.5	66.1	82.4	92.7
3	4.1	23.6	73.5	27.3	67.5	82.4
4	7.3	22.9	37.4	37.8	47.7	70.0
5	3.2	54.8	95.4	35.0	84.9	89.2
6	7.4	50.3	84.4	52.6	85.1	96.9
9	30.9	84.5	96.4	68.9	90.5	88.6
13	51.4	86.4	94.2	80.3	85.8	90.1
14	0.7	40.5	93.8	61.1	89.2	88.0
15	34.1	79.3	94.7	73.7	58.9	58.4
16	54.4	87.1	97.1	81.7	99.8	93.8
17	3.5	41.3	82.2	43.9	75.4	83.0
18	-1.0	-0.2	11.9	15.5	27.9	65.8
19	21.9	51.4	77.3	60.1	89.3	89.6
20	25.3	80.5	89.9	74.2	84.8	94.5
21	14.0	50.9	85.1	60.2	81.4	84.2

^a An active reference standard isolated from Glycyrrhizae Radix.

on a Hitachi U-3410 spectrophotometer. CD spectra were recorded on a JASCO J-20A spectropolarimeter. Kieselgel 60 (Merck) was used for column chromatography. Analytical and preparative HPLC was carried out on YMC R-ODS-7 packed columns.

Extraction and Isolation. Air-dried, chipped roots (4.0 kg) of *S. flavescens* were purchased from Niiya Co., Ltd., Shimizu-shi, Japan, in April 1994, and were extracted with MeOH under reflux. The MeOH extract was dissolved in H₂O and successively partitioned with EtOAc and butanol to give an EtOAc-soluble fraction (149 g) and a butanol-soluble fraction (69 g), of which, the EtOAc fraction showed antibacterial activity (at 100 μ g/mL); therefore, the EtOAc fraction was subjected to Si gel column chromatography using a gradient CHCl₃-MeOH solvent system (100:1-1:1). Based on TLC profiles, 12 fractions (F-1-F-12) were collected. F-4 (17.2 g) was successively separated by Si gel column chromatography and HPLC using a reversed-phase column and a CH₃CN-H₂O solvent system to give **4** (94 mg), **7** (90 mg), **12** (50 mg), **20** (1.5 g), **21** (40 mg), and **22** (10 mg). F-6 (13.9 g) was successively separated by Si gel column chromatography and HPLC to give **1** (439 mg), **3** (205 mg), **9** (323 mg), **11** (175 mg), **13** (3 mg), **14** (20 mg), **15** (200 mg), and **16** (8 mg). F-7 (19.8 g) was successively separated by Si gel column chromatography and HPLC to give **1** (353 mg), **2** (206 mg), **5** (62 mg), **8** (40 mg), **9** (19 mg), **10** (153 mg), **17** (15 mg), and **19** (204 mg). F-8 (886 mg) was separated by HPLC to give **2** (12 mg) and **17** (58 mg). F-9 (634 mg) was separated by HPLC to give **5** (24 mg) and **6** (25 mg). F-10 (1.1 g) was separated by HPLC to give **18** (42 mg).

Antibacterial Activity. Gram-positive bacteria employed for the assay were *S. aureus*, *B. subtilis*, *S. epidermidis*, and *P. acnes*. The agar plate dilution method was used for assay of antibacterial activity using the broth microtiter dilution method, and results were observed after 48 h of incubation at 37 °C. All bacterial strains were grown at 37 °C in soybean-casein digest broth.

Antiandrogen Activity. The activity tests were carried out by observation of inhibition against testosterone-5 α -reductase and against formation of a complex between 5 α -dihydrotestosterone and its receptor as described previously.¹⁴

Kushenol P (1): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 293, 340 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3305 (br), 2960, 1647, 1610, 1292 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -70° (c 0.20, MeOH); CD (MeOH); [θ]₃₁₀ +7015, [θ]₂₈₅ -53 492, [θ]₂₂₀ +35 953; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.07 (3H, s, H-6''), 1.08 (3H, s, H-7''), 1.23 (2H, m), 1.34 (2H, m), 1.59 (3H, s, H-10''), 2.29 (1H, m, H-2''), 2.56 (2H, dd, J = 7.4, 2.4 Hz, H-1''), 2.76 (1H, dd, J = 16.8, 3.2 Hz, H-3eq), 2.86 (1H, dd, J = 16.8, 12.8 Hz, H-3ax), 3.74 (3H, s, OMe), 4.53 (1H, s, H-9''), 4.59 (1H, s, H-9''), 5.55 (1H, dd, J = 12.6, 3.2 Hz, H-2), 5.93 (1H, s, H-6), 6.40 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, H-3'), 6.44 (1H, dd, J = 8.2, 2.0 Hz,

H-5'), 7.32 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-6'), 12.56 (1H, s, OH at C-5); ¹³C (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 197.5 (C-4), 164.7 (C-9), 161.7 (C-7), 161.5 (C-5), 161.2 (C-2'), 157.3 (C-4'), 148.3 (C-8''), 127.4 (C-6'), 118.9 (C-1'), 110.8 (C-9''), 107.6 (C-8), 107.2 (C-5'), 102.6 (C-10), 98.9 (C-3'), 95.8 (C-6), 74.1 (C-2), 71.3 (C-5''), 55.2 (OMe), 46.9 (C-2''), 42.5 (C-3), 41.4 (C-4''), 28.8 (C-7''), 28.6 (C-6''), 27.3 (C-1''), 26.4 (C-3''), 18.7 (C-10''); HREIMS m/z 456.2185 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₆H₃₂O₇, 456.2148); FABMS m/z 457 [MH]⁺ C₂₆H₃₃O₇.

Kushenol P (2): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 334, 291 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3364 (br), 2963, 2932, 1638, 1605, 1303 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -17.0° (c 0.12, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₁₂ +9232, [θ]₂₉₀ -49 624; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 0.72 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, H-10''), 1.44 (3H, s, H-6''), 1.53 (3H, s, H-7''), 1.67 (1H, m, H-8''), 1.74 (1H, m, H-2''), 1.69 (1H, br d, J = 6.8 Hz, H-3''), 2.35 (1H, dd, J = 13.4, 5.2 Hz, H-1''), 2.43 (1H, dd, J = 13.6, 6.8 Hz, H-1''), 2.76 (1H, dd, J = 17.2, 2.4 Hz, H-3eq), 3.06 (1H, dd, J = 17.2, 13.2 Hz, H-3ax), 3.38 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 6.4 Hz, H-9''), 3.55 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 8.4 Hz, H-9''), 4.91 (1H, t, J = 6.8 Hz, H-4''), 5.53 (1H, dd, J = 13.2, 2.4 Hz, H-2), 5.94 (1H, s, H-6), 6.28 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, H-3'), 6.35 (1H, dd, J = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, H-5'), 7.18 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-6'), 12.10 (1H, s, OH at C-5); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 197.7 (C-4), 164.5 (C-9), 161.9 (C-7), 160.7 (C-5), 157.8 (C-4'), 155.4 (C-2'), 131.9 (C-5''), 128.0 (C-6'), 123.9 (C-4''), 116.9 (C-1'), 107.9 (C-8), 107.1 (C-5'), 102.9 (C-3'), 102.8 (C-10), 96.1 (C-6), 75.3 (C-2), 66.2 (C-9''), 41.8 (C-3'), 40.1 (C-8''), 35.6 (C-2''), 28.9 (C-3''), 25.7 (C-6''), 22.8 (C-1''), 17.6 (C-7''); HREIMS m/z 456.2185 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₆H₃₂O₇, 456.2148); FABMS m/z 443 [MH]⁺ C₂₅H₃₁O₇.

Kushenol R (3): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 321, 287 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3282 (br), 2947, 2923, 1654, 1599, 1275 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -84.0° (c 0.19, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₃₂ +13 734, [θ]₂₈₅ -38 704; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.48 (3H, s, H-6''), 1.53 (3H, s, H-10''), 1.60 (3H, s, H-10''), 1.65 (3H, s, H-7''), 2.05 (2H, m, H-3''), 2.40 (1H, m, H-2''), 2.68 (2H, m, H-1''), 2.87 (1H, dd, J = 16.8, 2.4 Hz, H-3eq), 3.03 (1H, dd, J = 16.4, 13.2 Hz, H-3ax), 3.72 (3H, s, OMe), 4.61 (1H, s, H-9''), 4.67 (1H, s, H-9''), 5.01 (1H, t, J = 5.6 Hz, H-4''), 5.65 (1H, dd, J = 13.2, 2.4 Hz, H-2), 6.18 (1H, s, H-6), 6.92 (1H, br d, J = 7.6 Hz, H-3'), 6.93 (1H, br t, J = 8.4 Hz, H-5'), 7.17 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, H-4'), 7.46 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-6'); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 192.8 (C-4), 162.9 (C-9), 162.7 (C-7), 160.7 (C-5), 153.3 (C-2), 148.9 (C-8''), 132.5, 132.5 (C-5''), 129.3 (C-4), 126.3 (C-6'), 125.4, (C-1'), 123.1 (C-4''), 120.3 (C-5'), 116.1 (C-3'), 110.9 (C-9''), 108.5 (C-8), 105.3 (C-10), 93.4 (C-6), 75.9 (C-2), 55.6 (OMe), 45.9 (C-2''), 31.6, 44.1 (C-3), 27.5 (C-1''), 25.7 (C-6'') 19.7 (C-10''), 17.9 (C-7''); HREIMS m/z 422.2097 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₆H₃₀O₅: 422.2090); FABMS m/z 423 [MH]⁺ C₂₆H₃₁O₅.

Kushenol S (4): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 335, 293 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3259 (br), 2920, 1640, 1604, 1303 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -118.0° (c 0.32, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₁₀ +13 718, [θ]₂₈₈ -45 072; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.62 (6H, s, H-4'', 5''), 2.86 (1H, dd, J = 17.2, 10.0 Hz, H-3ax), 2.89 (1H, dd, J = 17.2, 6.4 Hz, H-3eq), 3.24 (2H, m, H-1''), 5.17 (1H, t, J = 6.5 Hz, H-2''), 5.64 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 6.4 Hz, H-2), 5.96 (1H, s, H-6), 6.80 (1H, br d, J = 7.6 Hz, H-3'), 6.90 (1H, br t, J = 7.6 Hz, H-5'), 7.16 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, H-4'), 7.44 (1H, br d, J = 7.2 Hz, H-6'); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 197.1 (C-4), 164.5 (C-9), 161.6 (C-7), 160.2 (C-5), 153.5 (C-2'), 131.9 (C-3'), 129.2 (C-4'), 126.5 (C-6'), 125.6 (1'), 122.4 (C-2''), 120.1 (C-5'), 115.6 (C-3'), 106.1 (C-8), 102.6 (C-10), 95.9 (C-6), 75.3 (C-2), 41.9 (C-3), 25.7 (5''), 21.6 (C-1''), 17.7 (C-5''); HREIMS m/z 340.1302 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₀H₂₀O₅, 340.1308); FABMS m/z 341 [MH]⁺ C₂₀H₂₁O₅.

Kushenol T (5): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 335, 293 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3300 (br), 2969, 2959, 1638, 1505, 1300, cm⁻¹; [α]_D -118.0° (c 0.25, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₁₀ +14 005, [θ]₂₈₈ -54 855; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.09 (3H, s, H-6''), 1.16 (3H, s, H-7''), 1.63 (3H, s, H-10''), 1.25-1.5 (4H, m, H-3'', -4''), 2.20 (1H, m, H-2''), 2.55 (1H, dd, J = 13.6, 5.6 Hz, H-1''), 2.62 (1H, dd, J = 13.6, 8.4 Hz, H-1''), 2.89 (1H, dd, J = 17.6, 2.4 Hz, H-3eq), 3.03 (1H, dd, J = 17.6, 13.2 Hz, H-3ax), 4.62 (1H, s, H-9''), 4.69 (1H, s, H-9''), 5.67 (1H, dd, J = 13.2, 2.4 Hz, H-2), 6.02 (1H, s, H-6), 6.87 (1H, br d, J = 8.4 Hz, H-3'), 6.98 (1H, br t, J = 7.6 Hz, H-5'), 7.22 (1H, br t, J = 8.4 Hz, H-4'), 7.44 (1H, br d, J = 8.4 Hz, H-6'), 12.18 (1H, s, OH at C-5); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 197.4 (C-4), 164.4 (C-9), 161.8 (C-7), 160.7

(C-5), 153.3 (C-2'), 148.5 (C-8''), 129.7 (C-4'), 126.9 (C-6'), 125.4 (C-1'), 120.9 (C-5'), 116.7 (C-3'), 111.1 (C-9''), 107.9 (C-8), 102.9 (C-10), 96.5 (C-6), 75.7 (C-2), 72.5 (C-5'), 47.4 (C-2'), 41.8 (C-3), 40.9 (C-4''), 29.6 (C-7''), 28.5 (C-6''), 27.6 (C-1''), 26.4 (C-3''), 19.1 (C-10''); HREIMS m/z 426.2022 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₅H₃₀O₆, 426.2039); FABMS m/z 427 [MH]⁺ C₂₅H₃₁O₆.

Kushenol U (6): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 331, 293 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3284 (br), 2923, 1648, 1599, 1280 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -13.0° (c 0.30, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₃₅ +11 509, [θ]₂₈₈ -35 806; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.44 (3H, s, H-6''), 1.53 (3H, s, H-10''), 1.56 (3H, s, H-7''), 1.96 (2H, m, H-3''), 2.36 (2H, m, H-2''), 2.53 (2H, m, H-1''), 2.65 (1H, dd, J = 16.8, 2.4 Hz, H-3eq), 2.87 (1H, dd, J = 16.4, 13.6 Hz, H-3ax), 3.71 (3H, s, OMe), 4.48 (1H, s, H-9''), 4.55 (1H, s, H-9''), 5.17 (1H, dd, J = 13.2, 2.4 Hz, H-2), 5.89 (1H, s, H-6), 6.80 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-3', 5'), 7.22 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-2', -6''); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃-CD₃OD) δ 191.4 (C-4), 164.1 (C-9), 162.7 (C-7), 160.3 (C-5), 156.8 (C-4'), 148.6 (C-8''), 131.3 (C-5''), 130.1 (C-1'), 127.4 (C-2', -6'), 123.4 (C-4''), 110.4 (C-3', 5', -9''), 108.5 (C-8), 104.5 (C-10), 93.0 (C-6), 74.0 (C-2), 55.4 (OMe), 46.8 (C-2''), 42.4 (C-3), 31.0 (C-3''), 27.2 (C-1''), 25.5 (C-6''), 18.8 (C-10''), 17.6 (C-7''); HREIMS m/z 422.2113 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₆H₃₀O₅, 422.2093); FABMS; m/z 423 [MH]⁺ C₂₆H₃₁O₅.

Kushenol V (7): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 331, 293 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3369 (br), 2930, 1638, 1600, 1308 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -1.0° (c 0.22, MeOH); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.71 (3H, s, H-4''), 1.78 (3H, s, H-5''), 2.80 (1H, dd, J = 17.0, 3.0 Hz, H-3eq), 3.06 (1H, dd, J = 17.0, 13.0 Hz, H-3ax), 3.29 (2H, br d, J = 7.0 Hz, H-1''), 3.83 (3H, s, OMe), 5.23 (1H, br t, J = 7.0 Hz, H-2''), 5.60 (1H, dd, J = 13.0, 3.0 Hz, H-2), 5.98 (1H, s, H-8), 6.46 (1H, s, H-3'), 6.83 (1H, s, H-6'), 12.31 (1H, s, OH at C-5); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 196.7 (C-4), 163.9 (C-7), 161.5 (C-5), 160.9 (C-9), 148.3 (C-2'), 146.7 (C-4'), 140.8 (C-5'), 134.0 (C-3''), 121.9 (C-2''), 115.1 (C-1'), 109.7 (C-6'), 108.2 (C-6), 103.7 (C-3'), 102.8 (C-10), 95.3 (C-8), 75.8 (C-2), 56.8 (OMe), 42.3 (C-3), 25.8 (C-4'), 21.2 (C-1'), 17.9 (C-5''); HREIMS m/z 386.1382 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₂₂O₇, 386.1366); FABMS m/z 387 [MH]⁺ C₂₁H₂₃O₇.

Kushenol W (8): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 331, 296 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3391 (br), 2930, 1638, 1604, 1305 cm⁻¹; [α]_D 0° (c 0.28, MeOH); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.59 (3H, s, H-4''), 1.60 (3H, s, H-5''), 2.80 (1H, dd, J = 17.0, 3.5 Hz, H-3eq), 2.88 (1H, dd, J = 17.0, 12.5 Hz, H-3ax), 3.18 (2H, br d, J = 6.5 Hz, H-1''), 3.78 (1H, s, OMe), 5.18 (1H, t, J = 6.5 Hz, H-2''), 5.59 (1H, dd, J = 12.5, 3.5 Hz, H-2), 5.92 (1H, s, H-6), 6.37 (1H, s, H-3'), 6.95 (1H, s, H-6''); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 197.2 (C-4), 164.5 (C-7), 161.4 (C-5), 160.4 (C-9), 148.1 (C-2'), 146.3 (C-4'), 140.6 (C-5'), 131.5 (C-3''), 122.6 (C-2''), 116.5 (C-1'), 110.0 (C-6'), 108.0 (C-8), 103.1 (C-3), 102.5 (C-10), 95.7 (C-6), 74.7 (C-2), 56.7 (OMe), 42.4 (C-3), 25.6 (C-6''), 21.6 (C-1''), 17.6 (C-5''); HREIMS m/z 386.1371 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₁H₂₂O₇: 386.1366); FABMS m/z 387 [MH]⁺ C₂₁H₂₃O₇.

Kushenol X (9): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 340, 296 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3338 (br), 2969, 2944, 1650, 1610, 1267 cm⁻¹; [α]_D +49.0° (c 0.35, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₁₅ +5238, [θ]₂₉₀ -14 841, [θ]₂₂₃ +31 428; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 1.46 (3H, s, H-6''), 1.55 (3H, s, H-10''), 1.57 (3H, s, H-7''), 1.96 (2H, m, H-3''), 2.36 (2H, m, H-2''), 2.51 (2H, m, H-1''), 4.49 (1H, s, H-9''), 4.55 (1H, s, H-9''), 4.56 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, H-3), 5.31 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, H-2), 5.96 (1H, s, H-6), 6.35 (1H, br s, H-3'), 6.43 (1H, br d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-5'), 7.31 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-6''); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 196.5 (C-4), 165.7 (C-9), 160.7 (C-7), 158.0 (C-5), 157.9 (C-2'), 155.9 (C-4'), 148.4 (C-8''), 131.6 (C-5''), 128.8 (C-6'), 123.3 (C-4''), 115.2 (C-1'), 110.7 (C-9''), 108.8 (8), 107.8 (C-5'), 103.6 (C-10), 100.4 (C-3'), 96.1 (C-6), 78.1 (C-2), 72.7 (C-3), 46.9 (C-2''), 31.3 (C-3''), 26.8 (C-1''), 25.6 (C-7''), 18.9 (C-10''), 17.7 (C-7''); HREIMS m/z 440.1848 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₂₅H₂₈O₇, 440.1835); FABMS m/z 441 [MH]⁺ C₂₅H₂₉O₇.

Kushecarpin A (10): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 309, 247, 206 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3429, 3072, 2940, 1658, 1619, 1476 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -291.0° (c 0.29, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₂₆ +3237, [θ]₂₄₅ +72 015; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.11 (1H, ddd, J = 14.0, 5.2, 2.4 Hz, H-1eq), 2.44 (1H, ddd, J = 16.8, 14.4, 2.0 Hz, H-2eq), 2.56 (1H, ddt, J = 14.0, 4.8, 2.8 Hz, H-1ax), 2.91 (1H, ddd, J = 16.8, 14.0, 4.8 Hz, H-2ax), 3.57 (3H, s, 6-OMe), 3.76 (3H, s, 9-OMe), 3.87 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-6a), 4.87 (1H, d, J = 8.8

Hz, H-11a), 4.93 (1H, d, J = 2.8 Hz, OH at 11b), 5.00 (1H, s, H-6), 5.58 (1H, s, H-4), 6.36 (1H, d, J = 2.4 Hz, H-10), 6.49 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 2.4 Hz, H-8), 7.12 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-7); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃ + CD₃OD) δ 199.2 (C-3), 170.0 (C-4a), 161.8 (C-9), 160.5 (C-10a), 124.9 (C-7), 117.0 (C-6b), 111.9 (C-4), 107.8 (C-8), 102.5 (C-6), 96.3 (C-10), 83.3 (C-11a), 65.7 (C-1a), 56.9 (OMe), 55.6 (OMe), 44.3 (C-6a), 32.7 (C-2), 31.9 (C-1); HRFABMS m/z 319.1176 [MH]⁺ (calcd for C₁₇H₁₉H₆, 319.1183).

Kushecarpin B (11): UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} 309, 248, 205 nm; IR (KBr) ν_{\max} 3400 (br), 3009, 2926, 2900, 1674, 1618, 1476, 1459 cm⁻¹; [α]_D -8.0° (c 0.10, MeOH); CD (MeOH) [θ]₃₁₀ -8956, [θ]₂₄₉ +33 940; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.25 (1H, ddd, J = 13.6, 12.4, 5.6 Hz, H-1ax), 2.36 (1H, ddd, J = 13.6, 5.6, 1.6 Hz, H-1eq), 2.53 (1H, ddd, J = 18.4, 5.6, 1.6 Hz, H-2eq), 2.74 (1H, dddd, J = 18.4, 12.4, 5.6, 1.6 Hz, H-2ax), 3.40 (1H, 3H, s, 11a-OMe), 3.74 (3H, s, 6-OMe), 4.08 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-6a), 5.25 (1H, s, H-6), 5.37 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-11a), 5.49 (1H, d, J = 1.5 Hz, H-4), 5.86 (1H, s, O-CH₂-O), 5.88 (1H, s, O-CH₂-O), 6.27 (1H, s, H-10), 6.67 (1H, s, H-7); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 192.3 (C-3), 175.5 (C-4a), 154.3 (C-10a), 148.5 (C-9), 142.4 (C-8), 115.6 (C-6b), 110.7 (C-4), 104.5 (C-7), 102.2 (C-6), 101.5 (O-CH₂-O), 93.1 (C-10), 89.9 (C-11a), 87.6 (C-1a), 56.1 (OMe), 55.6 (OMe), 55.2 (C-6a), 31.9 (C-2), 27.3 (C-1); HREIMS m/z 346.1049 [M]⁺ (calcd for C₁₈H₁₈O₇, 346.1050); FABMS m/z 347 [MH]⁺ C₁₈H₁₉O₇.

Kushecarpin C (12): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.09 (1H, ddd, J = 14.0, 5.2, 2.4 Hz, H-1eq), 2.43 (1H, ddd, J = 16.8, 4.4, 2.0 Hz, H-2eq), 2.56 (1H, ddt, J = 2.6, 4.8, 13.6 Hz, H-1ax), 2.90 (1H, ddd, J = 16.8, 13.6, 4.8 Hz, H-2ax), 3.56 (3H, s, H-6-OMe), 3.82 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-6a), 4.86 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-11a), 4.91 (1H, s, H-6), 5.64 (1H, s, H-4), 5.91 (1H, brd, J = 1.2 Hz, H-O-CH₂-O), 5.93 (1H, br d, J = 1.2 Hz, O-CH₂-O), 6.35 (1H, s, H-10), 6.68 (1H, s, H-7); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 199.1 (C-3), 170.0 (C-4a), 154.0 (C-10a), 148.9 (C-9), 142.4 (C-8), 115.7 (C-6b), 111.9 (C-4), 104.3 (C-7), 102.2 (C-6), 101.6 (O-CH₂-O), 93.5 (C-10), 83.2 (C-11a), 65.5 (C-1a), 56.9 (OMe), 45.0 (C-6a), 32.7 (C-2), 31.8 (C-1); FABMS m/z 333 [MH]⁺ C₁₇H₁₇O₇.

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