# Tetranortriterpenoids from Walsura yunnanensis

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Five new tetranortriterpenoids—walsurin (1), isowalsuranolide (2), walsuranolide (3),  $11\beta$ -acetoxywalsuranolide (4), and 20,22-dihydro-22,23-epoxywalsuranolide (5)—and three new natural tetranortriterpenoids— $11\beta$ -hydroxydihydrocedrelone (6),  $11\beta$ -acetoxydihydrocedrelone (7), and  $11\beta$ -hydroxycedrelone (8)—together with a known tetranortriterpenoid, cedrelone (9), were isolated from the bark of *Walsura yunnanensis*. The structures of 1-8 were determined on the basis of spectral evidence.

The genus Walsura Roxb. (Meliaceae), comprising 30-40 species, is naturally distributed in the People's Republic of China, India, and Indonesia.1 In previous literature, triterpenoids and tetranortriterpenoids were isolated from species in this genus.2-4 In the course of searching the family Meliaceae for new limonoids with activity against insects, we undertook the investigation of *W. yunnanensis* C. Y. Wu as there were no chemical constituents published for this plant. Five new tetranortriterpenoids [walsurin (1), isowalsuranolide (2), walsuranolide (3),  $11\beta$ -acetoxywalsuranolide (4), and 20,22-dihydro-22,23-epoxywalsuranolide (5)] along with three new natural tetranortriterpenoids [11 $\beta$ -hydroxydihydrocedrelone (6), 11 $\beta$ -acetoxydihydrocedrelone (7), and  $11\beta$ -hydroxycedrelone (8)] were obtained from EtOH extracts of the bark of the plant. They were elucidated based on the spectral data. In addition, a known tetranortriterpenoid, cedrelone (9),<sup>5</sup> was also isolated.

#### **Results and Discussion**

Compound 1 was found to possess a molecular formula of  $C_{26}H_{32}O_5$  as determined by negative-ion HRFABMS,

which was confirmed from the  $^{13}C$  and DEPT NMR spectra. Its IR spectrum revealed absorption bands for hydroxyl (3499 cm $^{-1}$ ) and carbonyl groups (1736, 1716, and 1674 cm $^{-1}$ ). The UV spectrum indicated the presence of an  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl group (216.5 nm). The  $^{1}H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectra showed signals due to five tertiary methyl groups ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  17.1, 18.8, 22.2, 24.7, 27.3); six olefinic carbons, four of which were attributed to a  $\beta$ -substituted furan ring moiety; four skeleton quaternary carbons [ $\delta_{\rm C}$  42.3 (C-13), 42.9 (C-4), 45.1 (C-8), 45.3 (C-10)]; and three carbonyl groups ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  220.1, 209.3, 203.2). These data suggested that 1 is a tetranortriterpenoid with three ketonic carbonyl groups.

The signals at  $\delta_C$  125.2 (d), 154.7 (d), and 203.2 (s) in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 1 and corresponding protons at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.05 (1H, d, J= 10.3 Hz, H-1) and 5.82 (1H, d, J= 10.3 Hz, H-2) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum are typical signals for an  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketone moiety in the A ring.<sup>7–9</sup> In the HMBC spectrum, cross-peaks between  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.05 (H-1),  $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.79 (s, H-5), and methyl protons  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.45 (s, H-28), 1.17 (s, H-29) to  $\delta_{\rm C}$  203.2 (s, C-3) (Figure 1) permitted the assignment of a ketonic carbonyl group at C-3 and a double bond between C-1 and C-2. The signal at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.74 (d, J = 5.5 Hz), attributed to a proton attached to a carbon adjacent to an oxygen atom, showed cross signals to  $\delta_{\rm C}$  209.3 (C-6), 55.7 (C-5), and 17.1 (C-30) (Figure 1), respectively, in the HMBC spectrum, which placed a hydroxyl at C-7. The stereochemistry of this functionality was determined as  $\alpha$ , based on a NOE correlation between H-7 and  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.00 (3H, s, H-30) in the NOESY spectrum of 1. The presence of a large coupling constant (J = 5.5 Hz) between H-7 and the resonance at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.66 (1H, OH-7) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum was attributed to the formation of a hydrogen bond between the C-6 carbonyl group and the C-7 hydroxyl proton. The existence of hydrogen bonding led the -OH proton exchange to slow and allowed the coupling between H-7 and OH-7. The OH-7 proton signal and the coupling between H-7 and OH-7 disappeared when D2O was added.

The ketonic carbonyl group present at  $\delta_C$  220.1 in the  $^{13}C$  NMR spectrum of 1, suggested that it was present in a five-membered ring (D ring). The H-14 signal appeared as a singlet at  $\delta_H$  2.83 and H-17 as a triplet at  $\delta_H$  3.45 in the  $^1H$  NMR spectrum and suggested the presence of a ketonic carbonyl at C-15. This inference was further supported by the HMBC spectrum. In the NOESY spectrum, NOE interactions of H-14 with H-9, H-14 with H-18, and H-14 with OH-7 indicated their cis relationships. Based on the above evidence, we propose structure 1 for

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Figure 1. Selected HMBC of Compound 1 (from H to C).

this tetranortriterpenoid, which has been assigned the trivial name walsurin.

Compound 2 was assigned the molecular formula C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>7</sub> on the basis of its EIMS and <sup>13</sup>C and DEPT NMR spectra, which was also supported by its negative-ion HRFABMS. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra indicated signals for five tertiary methyl groups ( $\delta_H$  1.82, 1.80, 1.22, 1.19, and 0.96), two olefinic protons conjugated to carbonyls ( $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.02 and 6.27, J = 9.6 Hz), four characteristic quaternary carbons ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  49.1, 47.8, 42.9, 40.5), two ketonic carbonyl groups ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  203.8 and 198.2), an ester carbonyl group ( $\delta_{\rm C}$ 171.2), and a hemiacetal carbon ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  99.9). These data suggest that 2 is a tetranortriterpenoid similar to cedrelone (9).5 Comparison of the molecular formulas of these two compounds revealed the presence of two more oxygen atoms in 2. Analysis of the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra indicated that the difference between two compounds was only in the furan ring. For compound 2, instead of a furan unit as in cedrelone (9), there was a  $\gamma$ -hydroxybutyrolactone unit attached to C-17. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  171.2 (s), 170.0 (s), 119.6 (d), and 99.9 (d) were attributed to C-23, C-20, C-22, and C-21, and the corresponding <sup>1</sup>H NMR resonances at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.42 (s) and 6.07 (s), were assigned to H-22 and H-21, respectively.11-13 According to these spectral data, compound 2 was structurally elucidated as having a 21-hydroxybut-20(22)-ene-21,23-γlactone as the side chain and has been named isowalsuranolide.

Compound **3** also exhibited a molecular ion peak at m/z454 in its EIMS. Together with <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral data, a molecular formula C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>7</sub> was established and confirmed by HRFABMS. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 3 showed similarities to those of isowalsuranolide (2) and cedrelone (9),<sup>5</sup> with the exception of the side chain. The presence of a  $\gamma$ -hydroxybutyrolactone unit as the side chain was revealed by the signals at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.98 (H-22) and 6.24 (H-23) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum. This was corroborated by the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum, which showed a hemiacetal carbon at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  98.3 (C-23) and an  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated- $\gamma$ -lactone [ $\delta_{\rm C}$ 136.5 (s, C-20), 171.9 (s, C-21), and 148.6 (d, C-22)]. These signals required the presence of a 23-hydroxy-20(22)-ene-21,23- $\gamma$ -lactone in walsuranolide (3), by comparison with reference 13C and 1H NMR spectral data in the literature. 13,14

The molecular formula of compound 4 was determined as C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>9</sub> by EIMS, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, and DEPT NMR spectral data and confirmed by HRFABMS. The EIMS exhibited a fragment ion peak at m/z 452, which was attributed to the loss of acetic acid  $[M - 60]^+$  from the molecular ion peak at m/z 512. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 4 were very similar to those of 3, except for the presence of an acetate in 4. Instead of three methylene groups in 3, signals for two methylene groups ( $\delta_C$  31.4, 43.2), an oxymethine ( $\delta_C$ 68.7), and an acetate group ( $\delta_C$  170.2, 22.3) were present in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 4. The acetate was placed at

C-11 by comparing the <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the two compounds. A broad doublet signal (J = 6.4 Hz) for H-7 in pyridine- $d_5$  suggested an  $11\beta$ -configuration,  $d_5$  as in compound **6**. Thus, compound **4** was elucidated as  $11\beta$ -acetoxy walsuranolide. The presence of double signals for some carbons (Table 1) and protons (see Experimental Section) in compounds 2-4 was attributed to the equilibrium between the two epimeric forms at the hemiacetal carbon of the  $\gamma$ -hydroxybutenolide ring.

From its HRFABMS and <sup>13</sup>C and DEPT NMR spectra, compound 5 was established with the molecular formula  $C_{26}H_{30}O_7$ , which is identical with those of compounds 2 and **3**. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of isowalsuranolide (2), walsuranolide (3), compound 5, and cedrelone (9)<sup>5</sup> suggested that these molecules are identical in rings A-D and differ only in the nature of the side chain attached at C-17. The side chain of **5** was somewhat different from that of **2** and 3. Signals belonging to the side chain were present at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  169.8 (s), 77.9 (d), 53.6 (d), and 43.5 (d) in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum and the corresponding protons at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.55 (d, J= 4.4 Hz, H-23) and 3.67 (dd, J = 4.4, 1.9 Hz, H-22) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **5**. The extra degree of unsaturation required by the molecular formula of 5 indicated the presence of one more ring in the side chain, due to the absence of olefinic carbon signals for the side chain in the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **5**. The available data suggested a 22,23-epoxy-21,23- $\gamma$ -lactone unit for the side chain. This inference was further supported by a correlation between  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.67 (H-22) and a signal at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.55 (H-23) and between  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.67 (H-22) and  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.65 (dd, J = 6.8, 1.9 Hz, H-20) in the <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum. Accordingly, compound **5** was deduced as 20,22-dihydro-22,23-epoxywalsuranolide.

The EIMS of compound **6** showed a molecular ion peak at m/z 440 and, together with its 13C and DEPT NMR spectra, suggested a molecular formula of C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, which was confirmed by HREIMS. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum exhibited signals for five tertiary methyl groups as singlets at  $\delta_{H}$  1.82, 1.75, 1.69, 1.56, and 0.86, as well as characteristic signals for a  $\beta$ -substituted furan ring moiety ( $\delta_H$  7.56, 7.34, and 6.27) and a proton attached to the carbon bearing an oxygen atom ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.83). The above data suggest a tetranortriterpenoid skeleton for compound **6**. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **6** was very similar to that of 1,2-dihydroanthothecol.<sup>5</sup> The proton at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.83 (H-11) in **6** appeared as a broad doublet signal when measured in pyridine- $d_5$  and as a double doublet peak (J = 5.0, 1.8 Hz) in acetone- $d_6$ , which suggested a cis relationship between H-9 and H-11.<sup>10</sup> In addition, H-9 appeared as a singlet and also supported this inference. In the ROESY spectrum, a NOE correlation between H-11 and H-9 further confirmed an OH-11 $\beta$ substitutent. Thus, compound **6** was deduced to be  $11\beta$ hydroxydihydrocedrelone. This isolate may be identical to deacetyldihydroanthothecol (a compound obtained from dihydroanthothecol by alkaline hydrolysis) on the basis of similar physical data.6

Compound 7 showed in its EIMS a molecular ion peak at m/z 482 in accordance with the formula  $C_{28}H_{34}O_{7}$ , and the presence of 28 carbons was confirmed by its <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum and HREIMS. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 7 displayed similarities to those of compound 6, except for an acetoxyl in 7, which was consistent with its higher molecular formula. On comparison of the spectral data of these two compounds, it was evident that there was an acetyl at C-11 in 7 instead of a hydroxyl, as in 6. The OAc-11 unit was assigned as  $\beta$  on the basis of the small coupling constants for H-11 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.57, dd, J = 4.8, 2.4 Hz), as in compound **6**. Thus, compound **7** was elucidated as  $11\beta$ -

Table 1. <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectral Data for Compounds 1-9 (100 MHz)<sup>a</sup>

carbon	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	154.7 d	153.4 d	153.4 d	152.1 d	152.1 d	35.8 t	35.6 t	151.5 d	152.2 d
2	125.2 d	127.3 d	127.2 d	127.6 d	127.5 d	33.2 t	32.4 t	127.6 d	127.2 d
2 3	203.2 s	203.8 s	203.7 s	203.5 s	203.8 s	214.4 s	213.6 s	203.2 s	203.3 s
4	42.9 s	49.1 s	49.1 s	49.1s	48.6 s	48.4 s	47.8 s	48.6 s	48.5 s
5	55.7 d	133.7 s	133.6 s	133.3 s	133.6 s	139.6 s	138.9 s	134.6 s	133.9 s
6	209.3 s	143.9 s	143.8 s	143.7 s	141.8 s	142.4 s	140.1 s	140.8 s	141.2 s
7	79.0 d	198.2 s	198.3 s	197.8 s	197.8 s	199.1 s	198.0 s	197.2 s	197.8 s
8	45.1 s	47.8 s	47.9 s	47.1 s	46.8 s	46.7 s	45.6 s	45.9 s	46.8 s
9	46.3 d	44.7 d	45.9 d	44.1 d	43.8 d	48.6 d	46.5 d	45.5 d	43.2 d
10	45.3 s	40.5 s	40.5 s	40.8 s	40.4 s	39.8 s	39.2 s	40.9 s	40.2 s
11	17.8 t	19.6 t	19.8 t	68.7 d	19.6 t	66.1 d	67.7 d	67.3 d	19.4 t
12	33.9 t	35.2 t	35.6 t	43.2 t	35.4 t	46.7 t	42.5 t	46.5 t	35.1 t
13	42.3 s	42.9 s	42.7 s	42.9 s	42.1 s	41.2 s	40.4 s	41.2 s	41.9 s
14	60.5 d	70.0 s	70.2 s	68.9 s	69.5 s	69.6 s	68.5 s	69.5 s	69.7 s
15	220.1 s	55.1 d	55.1 d	55.9 d	55.1 d	57.0 d	55.9 d	58.8 d	55.0 d
16	43.2 t	31.3 t	32.0 t	31.4 t	31.5 t	31.8 t	31.4 t	31.3 t	31.9 t
17	38.0 d	43.7 d	43.6 d	43.1 d	42.6 d	42.7 d	42.0 d	42.6 d	41.7 d
18	27.3 q	24.0 q	23.4 q	23.0 q	23.9 q	23.5 q	23.1 q	22.1 q	23.8 q
19	18.8 q	19.9 q	20.1 q	21.1 q	20.2 q	17.5 q	16.3 q	25.5 q	20.1 q
20	122.6 s	170.0 s	136.5 s	136.2 s	43.5 d	124.2 s	122.8 s	122.7 s	123.2 s
21	140.2 d	99.9, 100.8 d	172.1, 170.9 s	171.8, 171.6 s	169.8 s	140.0 d	139.5 d	139.5 d	139.3 d
22	110.7 d	119.6, 120.2 d	148.9, 148.6 d	149.1, 148.9 d	53.6 d	111.4 d	110.6 d	110.5 d	110.6 d
23	143.1 d	171.2 s	98.3, 98.1 d	98.3, 98.2 d	77.9 d	143.5 d	143.1 d	143.2 d	142.9 d
28	22.2 q	27.2 q	27.1 q	27.2 q	26.9 q	24.7 q	24.4 q	26.9 q	26.7 q
29	24.7 q	21.7 q	21.6 q	21.6 q	21.3 q	21.1 q	21.4 q	21.2 q	21.2 q
30	17.1 q	24.5 q	24.0 q	24.9 q	22.4 q	22.6 q	22.2 q	22.6 q	22.9 q
OAc				170.2 s			170.4 s		
				22.3 q			20.4 q		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Compounds 1, 5, 7, 8, and 9 were measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and compounds 2, 3, 4, and 6 in pyridine- $d_5$ ; chemical shifts are in parts per million, with TMS as internal standard.

acetoxydihydrocedrelone. According to similar physical properties, compound 7 is probably the same as 1,2dihydroanthothecol,5,6 a hydrogenated derivative of anthothecol.

Compound 8 was assigned the molecular formula  $C_{26}H_{30}\hat{O}_6$  on the basis of its EIMS and <sup>13</sup>C and DEPT NMR spectra. Comparison of the spectral data of compounds 6 and 8 suggested that 8 was 1,2-dehydro derivative of 6. That OH-11 is  $\beta$  was supported by the ROESY spectrum of 8 and the evidence that H-9 occurs as a singlet in its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, as in **6**. Accordingly, compound **8** was deduced as  $11\beta$ -hydroxycedrelone. This compound may be identical to deacetylanthothecol,6 a derivative from anthothecol. The physical properties of compounds 6-8 were similar to those of corresponding derivatives from anthothecol. As 11α-substituents are rare in tetranortriterpenoids and direct evidence of an OAc-11a functionality for anthothecol was not obtained in the original paper,6 we propose an  $11\beta$ -configuration for anthothecol.

Compound **9** was identified as cedrelone by comparing its <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral data with previously published values,5 despite some errors in the original assignments. Due to the absence of spectral data for compounds 6-8 in the previous literature and some wrong assignments for cedrelone, spectral and physical data of **6**–**9** are listed in Table 1 and in the Experimental Section.

## **Experimental Section**

General Experimental Procedures. Melting points were obtained on a Sichuan micromelting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were obtained with a Horiba SEAP-300 spectropolarimeter. UV spectra were measured with a Shimadzu double-beam 210A spectrophotometer in MeOH solution. IR spectra (KBr) were obtained on a Bio-Rad FTS-135 infrared spectrophotometer. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, and 2D NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-400 and a DRX-500 NMR spectrometer with TMS as internal standard. MS data were obtained on a VG Autospec-3000 spectrometer, at 70 eV for EI. Si gel (200-300 mesh) for column chromatography and  $GF_{254}$  for TLC were obtained from the Qindao Marine Chemical Factory, Qindao, People's Republic of China.

Plant Material. The bark of W. yunnanensis was collected from Mengna County, Yunnan Province, People's Republic of China, in December 1996. It was identified by Prof. G. D. Tao, Xishuangbangna Botanic Garden. A voucher specimen has been deposited in the herbarium of the Department of Taxonomy, Kunming Institute of Botany, no. 38001.

Extraction and Isolation. The air-dried and powdered bark (4.2 kg) of W. yunnanensis was extracted with EtOH three times under reflux. After removal of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was suspended in H2O and extracted EtOAc. The EtOAc fraction was concentrated in vacuo to give 66 g of a residue, which was subjected to column chromatography on Si gel, eluted with gradient mixtures of CHCl<sub>3</sub>-Me<sub>2</sub>CO (from CHCl<sub>3</sub> to CHCl<sub>3</sub>-Me<sub>2</sub>CO, 2:1). According to differences in composition monitored by TLC (Si gel GF<sub>254</sub>), 10 fractions were obtained. Then, fractions 2 (3.1 g) and 3 (1.0 g) were purified by Si gel column chromatography, using petroleum ether-Me<sub>2</sub>CO (8:1) as eluent and recrystallization from acetone to afford 11β-acetoxydihydrocedrelone (7) (34 mg), 20,22-dihydro-22,23-epoxywalsuranolide (5) (3 mg), and cedrelone (9) (1.85 g). Fractions 4 (1.3 g) and 5 (1.9 g) were subjected to column chromatography on Si gel with petroleum ether-EtOAc (2:1), then recrystallized from acetone to afford walsurin (1) (28 mg) and  $11\beta$ -hydroxycedrelone (8) (325 mg). Fraction 6 (2.3 g) was further subjected to Si gel column chromatography with petroleum ether-Me<sub>2</sub>CO (5:1) and recrystallized from acetone, finally yielding  $11\beta$ -hydroxydihydrocedrelone (6) (62 mg) and isowalsuranolide (2) (12 mg). Fraction 7 (2.6 g) was subjected to Si gel column chromatography with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-EtOAc (2:1) to give two subfractions, which were further purified on reversed-phase C<sub>18</sub> Si gel, respectively, using CH<sub>3</sub>OH-H<sub>2</sub>O (3: 1-2:1) as eluent and recrystallized from acetone, to yield walsurannolide (3) (20 mg) and  $11\beta$ -acetoxywalsuranolide (4) (28 mg).

**Walsurin (1):** prisms (Me<sub>2</sub>CO); mp 248–250 °C;  $[\alpha]^{29}$ <sub>D</sub>  $-20.0^{\circ}$  (c 0.21, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 216.5 (4.11) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3499, 3115, 2943, 2880, 1736, 1716, 1674, 1503, 1460, 1392, 1321, 1273, 1168, 1074, 1047, 1032, 873 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  7.39 (1H, t, J = 1.6 Hz, H-23), 7.27 (1H, s, H-21), 7.05 (1H, d, J = 10.3 Hz, H-1), 6.27 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, H-22), 5.82 (1H, d, J = 10.3 Hz, H-2), 3.79 (1H, s, H-5), 3.74 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz, H-7), 3.66 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz, OH-7), 3.45 (1H, t, J = 10.1 Hz, H-17), 2.83 (1H, s, H-14), 2.50 (2H, dd, J = 11.4, 1.8 Hz, H-16), 2.0 (2H, m, H-12), 1.80 (2H, m, H-11), 1.77 (1H, m, H-9), 1.45 (3H, s, H-28), 1.17 (3H, s, H-29), 1.15 (3H, s, H-19), 1.00 (3H, s, H-30), 0.80 (3H, s, H-18); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS m/z 424 [M]+ (45), 409 (5), 396 (2), 313 (4), 233 (5), 20 (4), 173 (4), 163 (21), 149 (7), 137 (16), 119 (8), 108 (14), 94 (100), 83 (73), 65 (15); HRFABMS m/z 423.2186 [M - H]- (calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>31</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, 423.2171).

**Isowalsuranolide (2):** crystalline solid (Me<sub>2</sub>CO); mp 278–280 °C;  $[α]^{29}_D$  -31.7° (c 0.23,  $C_5H_5N$ ); UV (MeOH)  $λ_{max}$  (log ϵ) 217 (4.13), 276.5 (4.05) nm; IR (KBr)  $ν_{max}$  3406, 3104, 2977, 2939, 1767, 1673, 1449, 1363, 1299, 1260, 1248, 1179, 1122, 1036, 946, 904, 812 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (pyridine- $d_5$ , 400 MHz) δ 10.60 (1H, s, OH-6), 7.02 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-1), 6.42 (1H, br s, H-22), 6.27 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-2), 6.07 (1H, s, H-21), 3.92 (1H, s, H-15), 1.82 (3H, s, H-28), 1.80 (3H, s, H-29), 1.22 (3H, s, H-19), 1.19 (3H, s, H-30), 0.96 (3H, s, H-18); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (pyridine- $d_5$ , 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS m/z 454 [M]<sup>+</sup> (50), 439 (5), 411 (4), 316 (30), 245 (7), 215 (8), 203 (10), 189 (13), 177 (11), 164 (100), 147 (15), 135 (30), 121 (39), 105 (36), 91 (64), 79 (31); HRFABMS m/z 454.1943 [M]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for  $C_{26}H_{30}O_7$ , 454.1991).

Walsuranolide (3): colorless needles (Me<sub>2</sub>CO); mp 232-234 °C;  $[\alpha]^{28}_D$  -33.0° (c 0.25, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 215 (4.32), 276.5 (4.09) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\rm max}$  3341, 2980, 2939, 2874, 1766, 1676, 1619, 1462, 1418, 1339, 1296, 1254, 1126, 1090, 1025, 928, 875 cm $^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (pyridine- $d_5$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ 10.53 (10.49) (1H, s, OH-6), 7.15 (7.18) (1H, d, J = 10.8 Hz, H-1), 6.95 (6.98) (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H-22), 6.45 (6.47) (1H, d, J = 10.8 Hz, H-2, 6.24 (6.21) (1H, d, <math>J = 10.0 Hz, H-23), 3.88(3.85) (1H, s, H-15), 1.81 (3H, s, H-28), 1.78 (3H, s, H-29), 1.21 (3H, s, H-30), 1.18 (3H, s, H-19), 0.95 (0.88) (3H, s, H-18); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (pyridine-d<sub>5</sub>, 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS m/z 454 [M]<sup>+</sup> (50), 439 (5), 411 (3), 327 (5), 316 (83), 289 (6), 273 (8), 246 (6), 229 (8), 217 (15), 205 (7), 191 (11), 175 (15), 164 (96), 149 (35), 135 (35), 119 (26), 105 (42), 91 (91), 67 (57), 55 (100); HRFABMS m/z 453.1821 [M - H]<sup>-</sup> (calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>29</sub>O<sub>7</sub>, 453.1761).

11β-Acetoxywalsuranolide (4): crystalline solid (Me<sub>2</sub>CO); mp 181–183 °C;  $[\alpha]^{28}_D$  –17.0° (c 0.24, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>N); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 215.5 (4.15), 277 (4.19) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3353, 3096, 2988, 2939, 1763, 1742, 1690, 1631, 1449, 1384, 1347, 1285, 1237, 1118, 1091, 1033, 960, 939, 910, 798 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (pyridine- $d_5$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$  10.70 (10.73) (1H, s, OH-6), 7.24 (7.17) (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H-1), 7.16 (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, H-22), 6.44 (1H, d, J = 9.4 Hz, H-2), 6.24 (6.21) (1H, d, J =10.0 Hz, H-23), 6.03 (6.02) (1H, br d, J = 6.4 Hz, H-11), 4.03 (4.00) (1H, s, H-15), 2.07 (3H, s, OAc), 1.81 (1.80) (3H, s, H-28), 1.78 (3H, s, H-29), 1.56 (3H, s, H-30), 1.37 (1.35) (3H, s, H-19), 0.94 (0.87) (3H, s, H-28);  $^{13}$ C NMR (pyridine- $d_5$ , 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS  $m/z \, \hat{512} \, [M]^+$  (94), 497 (12), 481 (3), 470 (8), 452 (10), 437 (12), 419 (6), 409 (10), 382 (7), 314 (100), 299 (16), 283 (13), 271 (17), 245 (15), 227 (21), 215 (22), 187 (20), 175 (24), 164 (92), 149 (47), 137 (37), 121 (48), 107 (44), 91 (80); HRFABMS m/z 511.1982 [M - H]<sup>-</sup> (calcd for  $C_{28}H_{31}O_9$ , 511.1968).

**20,22-Dihydro-22,23-epoxywalsuranolide (5):** crystalline solid (Me<sub>2</sub>CO); mp 192–194 °C;  $[\alpha]^{29}_{\rm D}$  –23.6° (c 0.10, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\rm max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 223.5 (4.11), 278 (4.09) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\rm max}$  3418, 2931, 2857, 1801, 1681, 1626, 1384, 1359, 1249, 1071, 1034, 855 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  6.89 (1H, d, J = 9.9 Hz, H-1), 6.43 (1H, s, OH-6), 6.10 (1H, d, J = 9.9 Hz, H-2), 5.55 (1H, d, J = 4.4 Hz, H-23), 3.71 (1H, s, H-15), 3.67 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 1.9 Hz, H-22), 2.65 (1H, dd, J = 6.8, 1.9 Hz, H-20), 1.56 (3H, s, H-28), 1.48 (3H, s, H-29), 1.29 (3H, s, H-30), 1.10 (3H, s, H-19), 1.02 (3H, s, H-18); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS m/z 454 [M]<sup>+</sup> (45), 439 (5), 411 (5), 327 (5), 316 (20), 299 (5), 263 (7), 217 (7), 191 (8), 175 (11), 164 (52), 149 (26), 135 (31), 121 (35), 105 (37), 91

(60), 79 (46), 67 (50), 55 (100); HRFABMS m/z 453.1840 [M - H] $^-$  (calcd for  $C_{26}H_{29}O_7$ , 453.1913).

11β-Hydroxydihydrocedrelone (6): colorless needles (Me<sub>2</sub>-CO); mp 201–202 °C (lit.6 mp 230 °C);  $[\alpha]^{29}$ <sub>D</sub> –38.6° (c 0.45,  $C_5H_5N)$  (lit.  $^6$  [ $\alpha$ ]  $^{20}D - 75^{\circ}$ ); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 209 (3.89), 278 (4.22) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{max}$  3563, 3392, 2974, 2944, 2934, 1702, 1685, 1616, 1505, 1455, 1384, 1279, 1255, 1168, 1148, 1034, 959, 875, 802 cm $^{-1}$ ;  $^{1}\text{H}$  NMR (pyridine- $d_{5}$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ 10.06 (1H, s, OH-6), 7.56 (1H, t, J = 1.6 Hz, H-23), 7.34 (1H, s, H-21), 6.27 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, H-22), 4.83 (1H, br d, J =5.6 Hz, H-11), 4.06 (1H, s, H-15), 2.97 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 6.4 Hz, H-17), 2.80, 2.67 (1H each, dd, J = 18.8, 9.6 Hz, H-2), 2.51 (1H, s, H-9), 2.31, 2.02 (1H each, dd, J = 14.8, 6.0 Hz, H-12), 2.30, 1.80 (1H each, m, H-1), 2.21, 1.94 (1H each, dd, J =13.2, 6.4 Hz, H-16), 1.82 (3H, s, H-28), 1.75 (3H, s, H-29), 1.69 (3H, s, H-30), 1.56 (3H, s, H-19), 0.86 (3H, s, H-18); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (pyridine-d<sub>5</sub>, 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS m/z 440 [M]<sup>+</sup> (98), 425 (38), 407 (8), 381 (7), 334 (65), 283 (7), 249 (8), 235 (40), 217 (13), 205 (24), 187 (13), 177 (15), 165 (24), 151 (56), 137 (29), 121 (25), 107 (100), 94 (51), 79 (58), 67 (46); HREIMS m/z 440.2197 [M]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, 440.2199).

11β-Acetoxydihydrocedrelone (7): colorless needles (Me<sub>2</sub>-CO); mp 235–237 °C (lit. 6 mp 188 °C);  $[\alpha]^{28}$ <sub>D</sub> –54.3° (c 0.63, CH<sub>3</sub>OH) (lit.<sup>6</sup> [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>20</sup>D  $-86^{\circ}$ ); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 212.5 (3.81), 276.5 (4.15) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\rm max}$  3403, 3144, 2978, 2941, 1727, 1711, 1684, 1628, 1583, 1457, 1308, 1192, 1172, 1126, 1072, 1036, 959, 873, 803 cm $^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  7.32 (1H, t, J = 1.5 Hz, H-23), 7.10 (1H, s, H-21), 6.34 (1H, s, OH-1)6), 6.12 (1H, s, H-22), 5.57 (1H, dd, J = 4.8, 2.4 Hz, H-11), 3.84 (1H, s, H-15), 2.09 (3H, s, OAc), 1.48 (3H, s, H-28), 1.42 (3H, s, H-29), 1.36 (3H, s, H-30), 1.09 (3H, s, H-19), 0.67 (3H, s, H-18); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS m/z 482 [M]<sup>+</sup> (50), 467 (16), 422 (35), 407 (20), 389 (7), 360 (6), 316 (50), 257 (8), 235 (12), 188 (14), 165 (22), 149 (13), 137 (20), 121 (18), 107 (54), 94 (89), 79 (53), 67 (43), 55 (100); HREIMS m/z 482.2314 [M]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for  $C_{28}H_{34}O_7$ , 482.2305).

11 $\beta$ -Hydroxycedrelone (8): prisms (Me<sub>2</sub>CO); mp 148–150 °C (lit.6 mp 218 °C);  $[\alpha]^{19}_D$  -30.4° (c 0.83, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) (lit.6  $[\alpha]^{20}_D$  $-59^{\circ}$ ); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 216 (4.18), 278 (4.15) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  3528, 3428, 2978, 2943, 1689, 1677, 1620, 1580, 1501, 1461, 1386, 1248, 1120, 1032, 958, 909, 875, 789, 735 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  7.35 (1H, d, J = 1.5 Hz, H-23), 7.15 (1H, s, H-21), 6.94 (1H, d, J = 9.9 Hz, H-1), 6.38 (1H, s, OH-6), 6.15 (1H, s, H-22), 6.11 (1H, d, J=9.9 Hz, H-2),4.62 (1H, dd, J = 9.0, 4.9 Hz, H-11), 4.00 (1H, s, H-15), 2.80(1H, dd, J = 9.8, 7.4 Hz, H-17), 2.48 (1H, s, H-9), 1.53 (6H, s, H-9)H-28, H-19), 1.48 (3H, s, H-29), 1.35 (3H, s, H-30), 0.68 (3H, s, H-18); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS m/z 438 [M]<sup>+</sup> (58), 423 (20), 405 (5), 332 (30), 255 (5), 245 (7), 233 (10), 215 (10), 205 (28), 191 (22), 176 (16), 164 (58), 149 (32), 135 (36), 121 (46), 107 (87), 94 (100), 77 (87), 67 (83)

**Cedrelone (9):** cubic crystals (Me<sub>2</sub>CO); mp 174–176 °C (lit. 15 mp 209–214 °C); [α]<sup>29</sup><sub>D</sub> –64.2° (c 0.73, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) {(lit. 15 [α]<sup>20</sup><sub>D</sub> –64.5°) (c 1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)}; UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{\rm max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 219.5 (4.10), 277.5 (4.03) nm; IR (KBr)  $\nu_{\rm max}$  3398, 3035, 2981, 2963, 2865, 1677, 1627, 1615, 1576, 1508, 1410, 1300, 1283, 1250, 1059, 1035, 879, 780 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 7.31 (1H, t, J = 1.5 Hz, H-23), 7.09 (1H, s, H-21), 6.86 (1H, d, J = 9.8 Hz, H-1), 6.46 (1H, s, OH-6), 6.12 (1H, s, H-22), 6.05 (1H, d, J = 9.8 Hz, H-2), 3.74 (1H, s, H-15), 1.51, 1.43, 1.23, 1.06, 0.69 (3H each, s, CH<sub>3</sub> × 5); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) spectral data, see Table 1; EIMS mZ 422 [M]<sup>+</sup> (70), 407 (88), 396 (50), 389 (30), 379 (23), 360 (19), 351 (10), 337 (12), 316 (67), 257 (15), 241 (24), 231 (30), 215 (28), 203 (35), 189 (62), 177 (67), 164 (75), 149 (57), 137 (82), 119 (50), 107 (72), 91 (100), 79 (90).

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