## A KOLAVANE DERIVATIVE FROM LIATRIS SCARIOSA\*

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Abstract—A new kolavane derivative, 18-acetoxy-kolav-3-en-15-oic acid, has been isolated from Liatris scariosa.

The aerial parts of *Liatris scariosa* Willd afforded lupeol,  $\Delta^{9(11)}$  and 12,13-dehydrolupeol and the kolavane derivative 1a. The structure of 1a followed from the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of its methyl ester 1b (Table 1), if compared with that of the corresponding desacetoxy derivative [1]. The presence of a kolavane derivative was deduced from the H-3 signal and the chemical shifts of two methyl doublets. Compound 1a was concluded to be 18-acetoxy-kolav-3-en-15-oic acid. However, the configurations at C-8, C-9 and C-13 were not established with certainty.

The roots afforded dammadienol, its acetate and the euparin derivatives 2 [2], 3 [2], 4 [3] and 5. The latter compound, 11-hydroxy-10,11-dihydroeuparin (5) has not been isolated before. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR data (see Experimental) showed that 5 was a derivative of 4, formed by addition of water to the isopropenyl group. While most *Liatris* species investigated previously also contained sesquiterpene lactones [4,5] no lactones were detected in the extract of this species.

## **EXPERIMENTAL**

The air-dried plant material was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O-petrol. CC (Si gel) and TLC (Si gel) of the extracts afforded from the roots (50 g) 10 mg dammadienol, 20 mg of its acetate, 10 mg 2, 12 mg 3, 25 mg 4 and 3 mg 5, while from the aerial parts (100 g) 10 mg of a mixture of lupeyl acetate and its  $\Delta^{9(11)}$  and  $\Delta^{12}$  isomers as well as 4 mg 1a were isolated.

18-Acetoxy-kolav-3-en-15-oic acid (1a). Colourless gum, IR  $v_{\rm max}^{\rm CCL}$  cm $^{-1}$ : 3330–2600, 1710 (CO<sub>2</sub>H), 1740, 1230 (OAc), 1640 (C=C); MS m/z (rel. int.): 364 (M $^+$ , 4), 304 (M $^-$  HOAc, 28), 289 (304 – 'Me, 22), 189 (304 – 'CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Me)CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, 100). Compound 1a (4 mg) was transformed to its methyl ester by addition of CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>. TLC (Et<sub>2</sub>O-petrol, 1:3) afforded 3 mg 1b, colourless oil; MS m/z (rel. int.): 378.277 (M $^+$ , 0.5) (C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>4</sub>), 318 (M $^-$  HOAc, 25), 303 (318 – 'Me, 12), 271 (303 – MeOH, 10), 189 (318 – 'CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH(Me)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me, 100).

11-Hydroxy-10,11-dihydro-euparin (5). Colourless gum, IR  $v_{max}^{\rm CCL}$  cm $^{-1}$ : 3600 (OH), 3300–2600, 1645, 1605 (chelated hydroxy acetophenone); MS m/z (rel. int.): 234.089 (M $^+$ , 21) (C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>4</sub>),

Table 1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra data of compound 1b (270 MHz, TMS as internal standard, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

H-3	5.68 br.t	H-18	1.11 s
H-14	2.36 dd	H-19	4.59 br.s
H-14'	2.15 dd	H-20	$0.77 \ s$
H-16	0.96 d	OAc	2.08 s
H-17	0.75 d	OMe	3.68 s

J(Hz): 2,3 = 3; 8,17 = 13,16 = 7; 13,14 = 5.5; 13,14' = 7.5; 14,14' = 14.

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219 (M - 'Me, 4), 203 (M - CH<sub>2</sub>OH, 100). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 6.44 (s, H-3), 7.89 (s, H-4), 6.98 (s, H-7), 2.69 (s, H-9), 3.16 (ddq, H-10, J = 6.5, 5, 7 Hz), 3.88 (dd, H-11, J = 11, 6.5 Hz), 3.83 (dd, H-11', J = 11, 5 Hz), 1.39 (d, H-12).

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