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TWO FURANOHELIANGOLIDES FROM CALEA ANGUSTA*

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Abstract—Calea angusta afforded, in addition to known compounds, two new furanoheliangolides closely related to those of Calea pilosa.

So far chemical investigation of Calea species has shown that furanoheliangolides may be characteristic for this genus (see ref. [1]). This finding supports the view that most of the Calea genus needs to be transferred from the subtribe Galinsoginae to the subtribe Neurolaeninae [2], while the remainder, reestablished as the genus Alloisospermum, should be retained in the Galinsoginae [3]. The results on Calea angusta Blake again support this conclusion.

The roots afforded zingiberene, caryophyllene, the thymol derivatives 3 [4] and 4 [5], isocomene (5) [6], β -isocomene (6) [7] and silphinene (7) [8], while the aerial parts gave germacrene D, α -humulene, caryophyllene, bicyclogermacrene, squalene, 1 [9], 2 [10], 3, the furanoheliangolides 8 [1], 9 [11], 10 [1], 11 [1] and 12 [12] as well as two further ones, the epoxides 13 and 14. In the ¹H NMR spectrum (Table 1) of 13 the signals of the exomethylene proton were replaced by a pair of doublets at $\delta = 3.25$ and 3.30, indicating the presence of 11, 13-epoxide, while a singlet at 5.60 together with a double quartet at 5.28 supported the presence of a furanoheliangolide. The nature of the ester residue followed from the typical signals of a methyl butyrate. Spin decoupling allowed the

Table 1. ¹H NMR spectral data of compounds 13 and 14 (400 MHz, CDCl₃ TMS as internal standard)

	13	14
H-2	5.60 s	5.62 s
H-5	6.00 dq	6.04 dq
H-6	5.28 ddq	5.22 ddq
H-7	3.28 dd	3.38 dd
H-8	5.08 ddd	5.01 ddd
Η-9α	2.34 dd	_
Η-9β	2.14 dd	3.95 dd
H-13	3.30 d	3.32 d
H-13'	3.25 d	3.30 d
H-14	1.44 s	1.53 s
H-15	2.09 dd	2.08 dd
OMeBu	2.32 ddq	2.35 ddq
	1.60 ddq	1.62 ddq
	1.40 ddq	i.43 ddq
	1.08 d	1.10 d
	0.85 t	0.86 t

J(Hz): 5, 6 = 4; 5, 15 = 6, 15 = 1.5; 6, 7 = 4; 7, 8 = 2; 8, 9 α = 6; 8, 9 β = 3; 9 α , 9 β = 15; 13, 13' = 4.5 (14: 8, 9 = 5; 9, OH = 6); OMeBu: 2',3' = 2',5' = 3',4' = 7; $3_1'$, $3_2'$ = 14.

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signment of the remaining signals, while the stereochemistry at C-8 could be deduced from the small coupling $J_{7,8}$. The ¹H NMR spectral data of 14 (Table 1) were close to those of 13. However, an additional lowfield double doublet at δ 3.95, which replaced the double doublets of H-9 clearly showed that a hydroxy group was at C-9. The stereochemistry followed from the coupling $J_{8,9}$. Compounds 13 and 14 were closely related to the corresponding angelates isolated from Calea pilosa [1], where an 11β , 13-epoxide was proposed. Accordingly the ¹H NMR spectral data were similar, only the H-8 signals being at slightly higher fields in the spectra of 13 and 14 due to the saturated ester groups. The chemistry of C. angusta therefore shows that it belongs to that group of species (see above), which should be placed in the subtribe Neurolaeninae.

EXPERIMENTAL

The air-dried plant material, collected in north-eastern Brazil (voucher RMK 8769, deposited in the U.S. National Herbarium, Washington) was extracted with Et_2O -petrol (1:2) and the resulting extracts were separated by CC (Si

gel) and further by repeated TLC (Si gel). Known compounds were identified by comparing the 1H NMR spectra with those of authentic material. The roots (55 g) gave 20 mg zingiberene, 5 mg caryophyllene, 500 mg 3, 200 mg 4, 20 mg 5, 10 mg 6 and 10 mg 7, while the aerial parts (200 g) afforded 200 mg germacrene D, 50 mg caryophyllene, 20 mg bicyclogermacrene, 10 mg α -humulene, 10 mg squalene, 20 mg 1, 100 mg 2, 50 mg 3, 20 mg 8, 1 mg 9, 20 mg 10, 5 mg 11, 5 mg 12, 5 mg 13 (Et₂O-petrol, 3: 1, then C_6H_6 -CH₂Cl₂-Et₂O, 5: 5: 1) and 1 mg 14 (Et₃O-petrol, 1: 1, five developments).

11, 13-Dihydro-11, 13-epoxyatripliciolide-2-methylbutyrate (13). Colourless gum, containing small amounts of 10, IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm CCl_4}$ cm⁻¹: 1800 (γ -lactone), 1735 (CO₂R), 1720, 1600 (RO-C=C-C=O); MS m/z (rel. int.): 376.152 [M]⁺ (25), 358 [M - H₂O]⁺ (4) (C₂₀H₂₄O₇), 292 [M - O=C=C(Me)Et]⁺ (11), 274 [M - RCO₂H]⁺ (1), 232 [274 - C₂H₂O]⁺ (14), 85 [C₄H₉CO]⁺ (23), 57 [85 - CO]⁺ (100).

$$[\alpha]_{24^{\circ}}^{\lambda} = \frac{589\ 578\ 546\ 436\ \text{nm}}{-36-38-42-53} \text{ (CHCl}_3;\ c\ 0.4).$$

 9α -Hydroxy-11, 13-dihydro-11, 13-epoxyatripliciolide-2-methylbutyrate (14). Colourless gum, containing small amounts of 8, IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{CCl}}$ cm⁻¹: 3400 (OH), 1800 (γ -lactone), 1735 (CO₂R), 1710, 1600 (RO-C=C-C=O); MS m/z (rel. int.): 392.147 [M]⁺ (8) (C₂₀H₂₄O₈), 374 [M-H₂O]⁺ (3), 308 [M-O=C=C(Me)Et]⁺ (5), 290 [M-RCO₂H]⁺ (2), 85 [C₄H₉CO]⁺ (24), 57 [85-CO]⁺ (100).

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