

TRITERPENOIDS FROM *SALVIA PINNATA*

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Abstract—A new and four known triterpenoids have been isolated from the leaves of *Salvia pinnata*. The structures of these compounds have been established by spectral data and by some chemical reactions.

INTRODUCTION

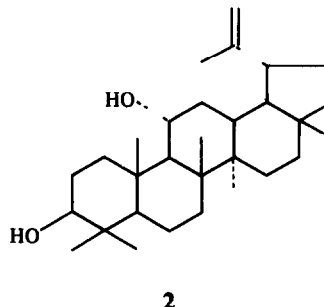
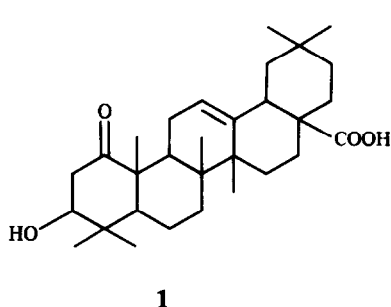
As a part of our continuing chemical investigation of the genus *Salvia* we have obtained several triterpenoids from the leaf extract of *Salvia pinnata*. We now describe the structure elucidation of these compounds by spectral data as well as by chemical reactions.

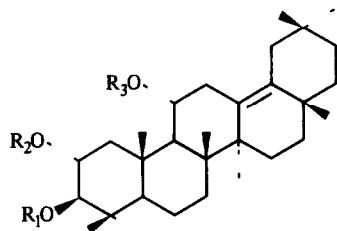
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The spectra (IR, ^1H NMR and MS) of the first two compounds indicated that they were olean-12-en-28-oic acid type compounds while the third one was lupeol. Comparison with authentic samples (TLC, IR, mp) revealed their identities as vergatic acid (3 β -hydroxy-1-oxo-olean-12-ene-28-oic acid, 1) [1], oleanolic acid [2] and lupeol [3] respectively. The next compound, $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{50}\text{O}_2$, mp 212° (lit 215°) [4] was more polar. Its ^1H NMR spectrum indicated a lupene type skeleton, showing isopropenylidene group protons at δ 5.8 and 4.72 as broad singlets and the methyl at 1.68 also as a broad singlet. All other ^1H NMR signals, as well as its mass spectral data, were in agreement with those of nepeticin (2) which was isolated from another Labiatae plant, *Nepeta hindostana* [4].

The new compound was a triol, $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{50}\text{O}_3$ (3), mp 185°. The IR spectrum of 3 showed a strong hydroxyl band at 3360 cm^{-1} and no carbonyl band. Acetylation of 3 yielded a triacetate (4), mp 105°, the IR spectrum of which showed no hydroxyl bands, only the acetyl carbonyl bands were present, thus establishing the nature of three oxygen

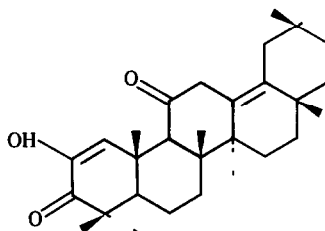
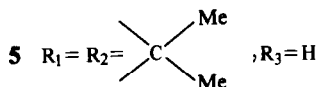
atoms. The ^1H NMR spectrum of 3 showed signals for eight C-Me singlets at δ 0.72, 0.92, 0.98, 1.04, 1.10, 1.15, 1.18 and 1.25, no vinylic methyl group being present. The hydrogen geminal to one of the three hydroxyl groups must be between a tetra substituted sp^3 C atom and a methyne grouping (δ 3.12, d , $J_{aa} = 10\text{ Hz}$). Its chemical shift indicated that it should be at C-3 [4, 5] and its J value showed that it must be axial. Also there could be only one other axial vicinal proton at C-2 (δ 3.85, ddd , $J_{aa} = 10\text{ Hz}$, $J_{aa} = 10\text{ Hz}$, $J_{ae} = 6\text{ Hz}$). The presence of a hydroxyl group at C-2 was further proved by the formation of an acetone, as well as of a diosphenol. The other proton geminal to the third hydroxyl group (δ 4.00, ddd , $J_{aa} = 10\text{ Hz}$, $J_{aa'} = 10\text{ Hz}$, $J_{ae} = 6\text{ Hz}$) must also be axial and situated between methyne and methylene groups. Since there was no vinylic proton in the spectrum the double bond must be tetra-substituted. In the mass spectrum of 3 the strong peaks at m/z 205 and at m/z 218 indicated a double bond between C-13 and C-18 [6]. These peaks also indicated that the hydroxyl groups were not on the D or E rings. In such a molecule there are only two possible positions for the third hydroxyl group, namely C-6 and C-11. A one proton doublet of triplets at δ 2.5 ($J_{gem} = 14\text{ Hz}$ and $J_{ee} = 3.5\text{ Hz}$, $J_{ea} = 3.5\text{ Hz}$) in the ^1H NMR spectrum was attributed to the equatorial C-1 proton in a C-11 equatorially hydroxylated triterpene structure [7], as was observed in nepeticin [4] and lupane-3 β ,11 α ,20-triol [5]. On the other hand, acetylation of the C-6 hydroxyl group under regular conditions is not possible and requires perchloric acid as catalyst [8]. The broad singlet at δ 4.35 which disappeared after acetylation showed the presence





3 $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = H$

4 $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = Ac$



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of the hydroxyl groups. Based on the above data the structure of the new triterpene was established as olean-13(18)-ene-2 α ,3 β ,11 α -triol.

EXPERIMENTAL

Mp's were taken in a Reichert microscope apparatus and are uncorr. The plant material was collected from Silivri (near Istanbul) in May 1980. A voucher specimen was identified by Dr E. Tuzlacı (Istanbul) and deposited in the Herbarium of Faculty of Pharmacy (ISTE 44246).

Extraction and isolation of triterpenoids. Dried and powdered leaves of *S. pinnata* L. (500 g) were extracted with C_6H_6 in a Soxhlet. The extract was evaporated *in vacuo*. The C_6H_6 concentrate (15 g) was chromatographed on a silica gel (E. Merck) column (5 \times 60 cm). Elution was started with C_6H_6 and continued by gradual addition of $CHCl_3$ up to 100%. The compounds were obtained in the following order: vergatic acid (20 mg), oleanolic acid (80 mg), lupeol (25 mg), lup-20(29)-ene-3 β ,11 α -diol (45 mg) and olean-13(18)-ene(2 α ,3 β ,11 α -triol (75 mg).

Olean-13(18)-ene-2 α ,3 β ,11 α -triol (3). Mp 185° (EtOH), IR ν_{max}^{KBr} cm^{-1} 3360, 2970, 2930, 2850, 1630, 1460, 1380, 1170, 1060, 1050, 1030, 990, 950. 1H NMR (δ (200 MHz NT-FT, pyridine- d_5) details given in the text. EIMS (probe) 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.) 458 [M] $^+$ (5), 440 [$M - 18$] $^+$ (27), 422 [$M - 2 \times 18$] $^+$ (30), 407 [$M - 2 \times 18 - 15$] $^+$ (15), 389 [$M - 3 \times 18 - 15$] $^+$ (5), 235 (45), 218 (42), 205 (60), 189 (65). (Found C, 78.73; H, 10.88. $C_{30}H_{50}O_3$ requires C, 78.60; H, 10.91%.)

2 α ,3 β ,11 α -Triacetoxylean-13(18)-ene (4). Treatment of compound (3) (15 mg) with Ac_2O -pyridine at room temp for 18 hr yielded a triacetate, mp 105° (EtOH). IR ν_{max}^{KBr} cm^{-1} 2950, 2860, 1730, 1450, 1370, 1250, 1030, 965, 755. 1H NMR (200 MHz NT-FT, $CDCl_3$) δ 0.7 (3H, s), 0.9 (3H, s), 0.98 (3H, s), 1.08 (3H, s), 1.10 (3H, s), 1.12 (3H, s), 1.14 (3H, s), 1.22 (3H, s), 1.94 (3H, s), 1.96 (3H, s), 2.05 (3H, s), 2.5 (1H, dd, $J_{gem} = 14$ Hz, $J_{ae} = 4$ Hz, H-1 equatorial), 4.75 (1H, d, $J = 10$ Hz, H-3 axial), 4.96 (1H, ddd, $J_{aa} = 11$ Hz, $J_a = 11$ Hz, $J_{ae} = 5$ Hz, H-2 axial), 5.18 (1H, ddd, $J_{aa} = 10$ Hz, $J_{aa} = 10$ Hz, $J_{ae} = 5$ Hz, H-11 axial). EIMS (probe) 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.) 584 [M] $^+$ (1), 524 [$M - 60$] $^+$ (85), 509 [$M - 60 - 15$] $^+$ (8), 464 [$M - 2 \times 60$] $^+$ (8), 404 [$M - 3 \times 60$] $^+$ (10), 389 [$M - 3 \times 60 - 15$] $^+$ (15), 216 (25), 203 (40), 189 (15). (Found C, 73.68; H, 9.52. $C_{36}H_{56}O_6$ requires C, 73.97; H, 9.58%.)

Olean-13(18)-ene-2 α ,3 β -acetone-11 α -ol (5). Compound 3 (20 mg) was dissolved in 1 ml dry Me_2CO and a few drops of conc H_2SO_4 were added. The mixture was kept at room temp for 2 hr and the product purified by chromatography on Sephadex LH-20, mp 128°. IR ν_{max}^{KBr} cm^{-1} 3350, 2920, 2850, 1455, 1380, 1170, 1120, 1070, 1040. 1H NMR (200 MHz NT-FT, $CDCl_3$) δ 0.72 (3H, s), 0.9 (3H, s), 0.98 (3H, s), 1.09 (3H, s), 1.12 (6H, s), 1.14 (3H, s), 1.22 (3H, s), 1.36 (3H, s, acetone), 1.40 (3H, s, acetone), 3.2 (1H, d, $J = 10$ Hz, H-3 axial), 3.9 (1H, ddd, $J_{aa} = 10$ Hz, $J_{aa} = 10$ Hz, $J_{ae} = 4$ Hz, H-2 axial), 4.05 (1H, ddd, $J_{aa} = 10$ Hz, $J_{aa} = 10$ Hz, $J_{ae} = 4$ Hz, H-11 axial). (Found C, 79.43; H, 10.79. $C_{33}H_{54}O_3$ requires C, 79.51; H, 10.84%.)

Diosphenol (6). Compound 3 (30 mg) dissolved in dry Me_2CO was treated with CrO_3 -AcOH (25 mg of CrO_3 in 1 ml AcOH) at room temp for 5 min. The mixture was diluted with H_2O , extracted with Et_2O and the Et_2O was evaporated *in vacuo* to leave an amorphous solid. UV λ_{max}^{EtOH} nm 274 (ϵ 7300). IR ν_{max}^{KBr} cm^{-1} 3420, 2960, 2850, 1725, 1600, 1580, 1460, 1380, 1270, 1120, 1070, 740. 1H NMR (200 MHz NT-FT, $CDCl_3$) δ 0.72 (3H, s), 0.91 (3H, s), 0.98 (3H, s), 1.10 (6H, s), 1.14 (3H, s), 1.16 (3H, s), 1.24 (3H, s), 6.2 (1H, s, H-1).

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