

2-OXO-LABDA-8(17),13-DIEN-15-OL FROM *OPHRYOSPORUS CHILCA*

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Abstract—The aerial parts of *Ophryosporus chilca* afforded several prenylated *p*-hydroxyacetophenones, two labdane derivatives and a cinnamyl ester. *Ophryosporus peruvianus* also contains prenylated *p*-hydroxyacetophenones. Three compounds were isolated for the first time, their structures were established by ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

The South American genus *Ophryosporus* (Compositae, tribe Eupatorieae) has been placed in the subtribe Critoniinae [1]. So far only one species has been studied chemically [2]. We have now investigated two more species from Peru. The aerial parts of *O. chilca* (HBK) Hieron. afforded, in addition to known compounds, the cinnamyl ester 2 and 2-oxo-labd-8(17),13-dien-15-ol (3) together with the corresponding 2-hydroxy derivative 4, which had been isolated previously [3]. The ¹H NMR spectrum (Table 1) of 3 was close to that of 4. The presence of a keto group at C-2 followed from the pairs of doublets at δ 2.19, 2.42 and 2.16, 2.33. The stereochemistry of the Δ¹³-double bond was established from the ¹H NMR spectrum of the corresponding aldehyde 5, obtained by oxidation of 3, as the H-16 signal was shifted downfield (δ 2.17) while the other signals were nearly identical to those of 3 except for the H-15 signal which was a low-field doublet at δ 10.00, in the spectrum of 5. The absolute configuration of 3 and 4 was not determined.

The ¹H NMR spectrum of 2 indicated the presence of a cinnamyl derivative (see Experimental). With regard to the molecular formula, pairs of doublets which were coupled with a low-field broadened double-doublet at δ 5.17 showed a β-hydroxyphenyl propionic ester.

The aerial parts of *O. peruvianus* (Gmel.) K. et R. gave several widespread compounds and the new *p*-hydroxyacetophenone derivative 1. The structure could be easily deduced from the molecular formula and the ¹H NMR spectrum (see Experimental), which indicated the presence of a symmetrical tetrasubstituted aromatic compound. As all the signals could be assigned, the structure directly followed from the chemical shifts of the protons.

The investigations of *Ophryosporus* species have shown that anol and prenylated *p*-hydroxyacetophenone derivatives may be of chemotaxonomic relevance.

EXPERIMENTAL

The air-dried plant material, collected in January 1982 in Peru, was extracted with Et₂O–petrol, 1:2 (12 hr room temp), and worked up in the usual fashion. Known compounds were identified by comparing 400 MHz ¹H NMR spectra with those of authentic samples. The extract of the aerial parts of *O. chilca*

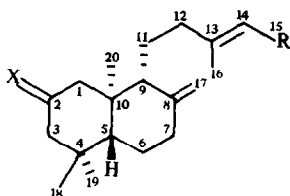
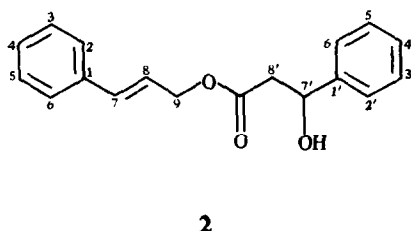
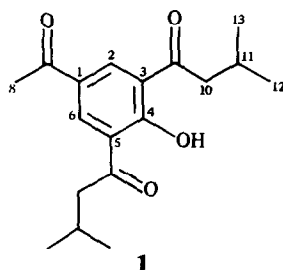
(480 g, voucher RMK 9042) gave CC fractions (100 ml) as follows: 1 (petrol), 2 (Et₂O–petrol, 1:10), 3 (Et₂O–petrol, 1:3), 4 (Et₂O–petrol, 1:1) and 5 (Et₂O and Et₂O–MeOH, 10:1). TLC (always SiO₂, PF 254), (Et₂O–petrol, 1:3, detection by UV light, 255 nm) of combined fractions 2 and 3 afforded 120 mg anol isovalerate [4] and 30 mg of the corresponding epoxide [4]. TLC (Et₂O–petrol, 1:1) of fraction 4 gave 180 mg 3-[3,3-dimethylallyl]-*p*-hydroxyacetophenone (*R_f* 0.55), 300 mg 3-[3,3-dimethylallyl]-5-senecioid-*p*-hydroxyacetophenone [5] (*R_f* 0.50) and 120 mg 6-acetyl-8-isovaleryl-2,2-dimethylchromene [5].

Table 1 ¹H NMR spectral data of compounds 3 and 5 (400 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS as internal standard)

	3*	5
H-1	2.19 <i>dd</i>	2.19 <i>dd</i>
H-1'	2.42 <i>d</i>	2.42 <i>d</i>
H-3	2.16 <i>d</i>	2.17 <i>dd</i>
H-3'	2.33 <i>dd</i>	2.35 <i>d</i>
H-5	1.66 <i>dd</i>	1.68 <i>dd</i>
H-6	1.49 <i>m</i>	1.43 <i>m</i>
H-6'	1.84 <i>m</i>	1.86 <i>m</i>
H-7	2.05 <i>m</i>	2.07 <i>m</i>
H-7'	2.46 <i>ddd</i>	2.48 <i>ddd</i>
H-14	5.38 <i>tq</i>	5.86 <i>dtq</i>
H-15	4.16 <i>br d</i>	10.00 <i>d</i>
H-16	1.66 <i>br s</i>	2.17 <i>d</i>
H-17	4.59 <i>br s</i>	4.58 <i>br s</i>
H-17'	4.91 <i>br s</i>	4.96 <i>br s</i>
H-18	0.70 <i>s</i>	0.75 <i>s</i>
H-19	0.85 <i>s</i>	0.80 <i>s</i>
H-20	1.06 <i>s</i>	1.09 <i>s</i>

*Signals of H-1 and H-3 may be interchangeable.

J (Hz): 1, 1' = 3, 3' = 13, 1', 3 = 2, 5, 6 = 3, 5, 6' = 12, 6, 7' = 2.5, 6', 7' = 4, 7, 7' = 13, 12, 14 = 14, 16 = 1, compound 3: 14, 15 = 7, compound 5: 14, 15 = 7.5.



3	4	5
X = O	α OH, H	= O
R CH ₂ OH	CH ₂ OH	CHO

(R_f 0.47) TLC (Et₂O) of fraction 5 afforded 20 mg 2 (R_f 0.73), 80 mg 3 (R_f 0.62) and 100 mg 4 (R_f 0.42).

The extract of the aerial parts of *O. peruvianus* (410 g, voucher RMK 9001) gave CC fractions (100 ml) as follows 1 (petrol), 2 (Et₂O-petrol, 1:10 and 1:3), 3 (Et₂O-petrol, 1:1) and 4 (Et₂O and Et₂O-MeOH, 10:1) TLC of fraction 4 (Et₂O-petrol, 1:1) afforded 10 mg 3-[3,3-dimethylallyl]-5-seneciyl-*p*-hydroxyacetophenone (R_f 0.52), 20 mg 6-acetyl-8-isovaleryl-2,2-dimethyl-chromene (R_f 0.50), 15 mg 1 (R_f 0.47) and 10 mg 3-isovaleryl-5-[1-hydroxy-3,3-dimethylallyl]-*p*-hydroxyacetophenone [6] (R_f 0.40). Compounds 1-3 were homogeneous by TLC in different solvent mixtures (Et₂O-petrol and CHCl₃ mixtures), but could not be induced to crystallize. Quantities were determined by weight.

3,5-Bis-isovaleryl-*p*-hydroxyacetophenone (1) IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{CCl}_4}$ cm⁻¹ 3520 (OH), 1680, 1640, 1592 (PhCO), MS m/z (rel int) 304 168 [M]⁺ (17) (C₁₈H₂₄O₄), 289 [M - Me]⁺ (14), 271 [289 - H₂O]⁺ (42), 247 [M - C₄H₉]⁺ (100), 229 [247 - H₂O]⁺ (20), ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) 8.57 s (H-2, H-6), 2.63 s (H-8), 2.99 d (H-10), 2.32 *ttq* (H-11), 1.05 d (H-12, H-13) [J (Hz) 10, 11 = 11, 12 = 11, 13' = 6.5].

Cinnamyl-3-hydroxy-3-phenyl propionate (2) IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{CCl}_4}$ cm⁻¹ 3600 (OH), 1730 (CO₂R), MS m/z (rel int) 264 115 [M - H₂O]⁺ (8) (C₁₈H₁₆O₂), 131 [PhCH=CHCO]⁺ (18), 117

[PhCH=CHCH₂]⁺ (41), 104 [PhCH=CH₂]⁺ (100), CIMS (isobutane) 283 [M + 1]⁺ (0.5), 117 [PhCH=CHCH₂]⁺ (100), ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 7.4-7.25 *m* (10 H), 6.66 *br d* (H-7), 6.27 *dt* (H-8), 4.81 *dd* (H-9), 2.83 *dd* (H-8'), 2.77 *dd* (H-8'), 5.17 *br dd* (H-7') [J (Hz) 7, 8 = 1.5, 7, 9 = 1, 8, 9 = 6.5, 7', 8' = 8.5, 7', 8' = 4, 8', 8' = 16].

2-Oxo labda-8(17),13-dien-15-ol (3) IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{CCl}_4}$ cm⁻¹ 3360 (OH), 1710 (C=O), MS m/z (rel int) 304 240 [M]⁺ (5) (C₂₀H₃₂O₂), 289 [M - Me]⁺ (14), 205 [M - CH₂CH₂C(Me)=CHCH₂OH]⁺ (18), 55 [C₄H₇]⁺ (100). 3 mg 3 in 1 ml CH₂Cl₂ were stirred for 6 hr with 10 mg pyridine dichromate. TLC (Et₂O-petrol, 1:1) afforded 1 mg 5, ¹H NMR see Table 1.

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