

$J = 7$ Hz, H-3'), 1.88 (3H, s, H-10), 1.90 (6H, s, H-4 and H-2'), 3.21 (1H, s, H-9), 3.48 (1H, d, $J = 12$ Hz, H-5), 4.00, 4.51 (1H, d, $J = 8$ Hz, CH₂O), 4.20 (1H, m, H-12), 4.29 (1H, d, $J = 8$ Hz, H-1), 4.60 (1H, m, H-2), 4.98 (1H, d, $J = 2$ Hz, H-7), 5.45 (1H, d, $J = 9$ Hz, H-15), 5.82 (1H, s, H-3), 5.99 (1H, dd, $J = 2, 11$ Hz, H-6), 7.10 (1H, d, $J = 7$ Hz, H-3'); MS: m/z (rel. abundance) 494 [M]⁺ (0.01), 424 (5), 414 (32), 394 (11), 247 (5), 256 (68), 187 (73), 151 (15), 149 (74), 135 (53), 100 (68), 83 (95), 55 (100).

Hydrolysis of 3. A soln of 3 (20 mg) in MeOH-H₂O (1:1) was maintained at pH 9 at room temp. for 1 hr. After neutralization, the mixture was concd and the reaction products were purified by prep. TLC on silica gel (CHCl₃-MeOH, 19:1). The more polar 15-desacetylundulatone was isolated (yield 10%) and shown to be identical to 4 by UV, IR, MS and by TLC on silica gel.

Oxidation of 5. A CH₂Cl₂ soln of pyridinium chlorochromate (10 mg in 1 ml) was added to 1 ml of a saturated CH₂Cl₂ soln of 5 and then stirred at room temp. for 1 hr. The reaction products were then separated by prep. TLC on silica gel (CHCl₃-MeOH, 9:1); the major product (9 mg) was identical to 4 (TLC on silica gel, UV, IR and MS).

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ALKALOIDS FROM *HAPLOPHYLLUM SUAVEOLENS*

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Key Word Index—*Haplophyllum suaveolens*; Rutaceae; alkaloids; flindersine; γ -fagarine; kokusaginine; haplophylline.

Abstract—Flindersine, γ -fagarine, kokusaginine and one new alkaloid of the flindersine-type were isolated from the aerial parts of *Haplophyllum suaveolens*. Spectral methods were used to determine the structures of the alkaloids.

INTRODUCTION

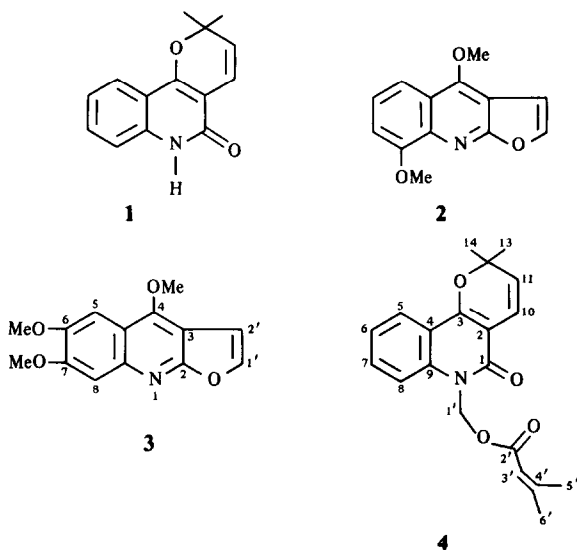
A literature survey revealed that new and known quinoline and other types of alkaloids have been isolated from various *Haplophyllum* species and their structures determined [1–8]. In the present study, benzene and chloroform extracts of the arial parts of *Haplophyllum suaveolens* (DC.) G. Don yielded four alkaloids, one of which was a new compound. The main alkaloid of the plant was flindersine (1) [1], the second known alkaloid was γ -fagarine (2) [2] and the third kokusaginine (3) [9] which has also been obtained from various species of Rutaceae. The new alkaloid has an angular pyrano-quinoline structure like flindersine.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

H. suaveolens yielded three known and a new alkaloid of furoquinoline and angular pyrano-quinoline types. The

identity of the known alkaloids was established by spectral comparison with literature data [1, 2, 9–12].

The structure of the new alkaloid named haplophylline (4) was determined by means of UV, IR, ¹H NMR and mass spectra. The UV spectrum of 4 was similar to that of flindersine (1) (see Experimental), but its IR spectrum however, showed an extra carbonyl band at 1720 cm⁻¹. In addition to flindersine peaks the ¹H NMR spectrum of 4 showed peaks for a seneciolyloxy moiety at δ 1.88 (3H, d, $J = 2$ Hz), 2.2 (3H, d, $J = 2$ Hz), 5.67 (1H, t, $J = 1$ Hz) and a downfield peak for a methylene group at δ 6.37 (2H, br s). The lack of an amidic proton (N–H) signal at δ 11.28 indicated that the substitution could only be on the nitrogen atom. The mass spectrum showed the presence of seneciolyloxy and methylene groups on the nitrogen atom. The base peak at m/z 324 [M – 15]⁺ corresponds to the base peak of 1 [212 [M – 15]⁺], the peak at m/z 227 [M – C₆H₅O₂]⁺ shows the flindersine part of the molecule,



and the peak m/z 212 $[M - C_6H_9O_2 - Me](95\%)$ corroborates the flindersine skeleton. Other peaks at m/z 240 $[M - C_5H_7O_2]^+$ and 256 $[M - C_5H_7O]^+$ are derived from degradation of the seneciyoxy moiety, whereas the peak at m/z 83 (C_5H_7O) (70%) corresponds to the seneciyl moiety. All the spectral data confirm that haplophylline is a new derivative of flindersine.

EXPERIMENTAL

Plant material was collected from the Aegean section of Turkey (Denizli) in June 1982 and identified by E. Tuzlaci (Istanbul). A voucher specimen is deposited in the Herbarium of the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Istanbul (ISTE 48925).

Dried and powdered plant material (500 g) was successively extracted with C_6H_6 , $CHCl_3$ and EtOH in a Soxhlet. Since C_6H_6 and $CHCl_3$ extracts showed the presence of the same alkaloids by TLC, they were combined. The EtOH extract which had no alkaloids was set aside for future investigation.

Isolation of alkaloids. The $C_6H_6-CHCl_3$ extracts of the plant material were evapd under vacuum. The residue (18.5 g) was dissolved in $CHCl_3$, 5% NH_4OH added to form a suspension and this was concd to a small vol and exhaustively extracted with $CHCl_3$. The combined $CHCl_3$ extracts were washed with H_2O , dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered and concd under vacuum. The $CHCl_3$ concentrate was extracted with 5% HCl until no further alkaloids were obtained. The aq acid phase was made alkaline by the addition of conc NH_4OH , extracted with $CHCl_3$, washed with H_2O , dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered and evapd to dryness *in vacuo* to yield 1.8 g of crude alkaloid mixture (yield 0.36%). The alkaloid mixture was chromatographed on a neutral Al_2O_3 (activity III) column (3 × 50 cm), elution of the column started with $CHCl_3$ and continued by gradient addition of EtOH.

Identification of alkaloids: flindersine (1) Mp 185° (lit. [12] 185–186°), yield 74 mg. UV λ_{max}^{EtOH} nm: 366, 348, 282 (sh), 260 (sh), 224. IR ν_{max}^{KBr} cm^{-1} : 3050, 1720 (sh), 1650, 1620, 1590, 1550 (sh), 1495, 1475, 1425, 1405, 1355, 1270, 1250, 1125, 1115, 870, 745. 1H NMR (200 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 1.50 (6H, s, Me-13, Me-14), 5.55 (1H, d, $J = 9$ Hz, H-10), 6.75 (1H, d, $J = 9$ Hz, H-11), 7.18 (1H, dt, $J = 2$ Hz and 7 Hz, H-6*), 7.34 (1H, br d, $J = 8$ Hz, H-5†), 7.47 (1H, dt, $J = 2$ Hz and 7 Hz, H-7*), 7.88 (1H, dd, $J = 2$ Hz and 7 Hz, H-8†) and 11.28 (1H, br s, N-H). MS 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.): 227 $[M]^+$ (75), 212 $[M - 15]^+$ (100), 198 $[M - 29]^+$ (22), 183

$[M - 44]^+$ (22) (Found: C, 73.94; H, 5.74; N, 6.18%. $C_{14}H_{13}O_2N$ requires: C, 74.00; H, 5.68; N, 6.16%).

γ-Fagarine (2). Yield 4 mg, mp 138° (lit. [10] 138–140°). UV λ_{max}^{EtOH} nm: 334, 320, 308, 297 (sh), 252 (sh), 245, 209. IR ν_{max}^{KBr} cm^{-1} : 3115, 1620, 1580, 1550, 1500, 1480, 1430, 1370, 1320, 1260, 1210, 1150, 1090, 940, 850. 1H NMR (200 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 4.20 (3H, s, C_6 -OMe), 4.45 (3H, s, C_4 -OMe), 7.05 (1H, d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, H-1'), 7.57 (1H, d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, H-2'), 8.00 (1H, dd, $J = 2$ Hz and 7 Hz, H-5*), 7.45 (1H, dt, $J = 2$ Hz and 7 Hz, H-6), 7.18 (1H, dd, $J = 2$ Hz and 7 Hz, H-7*). MS 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.): 229 $[M]^+$ (100), 228 $[M - 1]^+$ (78), 214 $[M - 15]^+$ (17), 200 $[M - 29]^+$ (68) (Found: C, 68.15; H, 4.82; N, 6.13%. $C_{13}H_{11}O_3N$ requires: C, 68.07; H, 4.80; N, 6.11%).

Kokusaginine (3). Yield 10 mg, mp 160° (lit. [9] 164°). UV λ_{max}^{EtOH} nm: 334, 320, 308, 297 (sh), 252 (sh), 245, 209. IR ν_{max}^{KBr} cm^{-1} : 3115, 1620, 1585, 1545, 1500, 1480, 1430, 1365, 1320, 1255, 1210, 1150, 1090, 1050, 1010, 940, 850, 790, 770. 1H NMR (200 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 4.04 (6H, s, C_6 -OMe and C_7 -OMe), 4.45 (3H, s, C_4 -OMe), 7.05 (1H, d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, H-1'), 7.58 (1H, d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, H-2'), 7.35 (1H, s, H-5*), 7.48 (1H, s, H-8*). MS 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.): 259 $[M]^+$ (100), 244 $[M - 15]^+$ (75), 229 $[M - 30]^+$ (10), 216 $[M - 43]^+$ (30), 201 $[M - 58]^+$ (25), 186 $[M - 73]^+$ (30). (Found: C, 64.92; H, 5.05; N, 5.43%. $C_{14}H_{13}O_4N$ requires: C, 64.86; H, 5.02; N, 5.40%).

Haplophylline (4). Yield 15 mg, amorphous. UV λ_{max}^{EtOH} nm: 366, 348, 336, 322, 305 (sh), 254 (sh), 224. IR $\nu_{max}^{CHCl_3}$ cm^{-1} : 3000, 2920, 1720, 1650, 1605, 1570, 1500, 1460, 1360, 1220, 1185, 1130, 1070, 970, 850. 1H NMR (200 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ 1.52 (6H, s, Me-13 and Me-14), 1.88 (3H, d, $J = 2$ Hz, Me-5'), 2.2 (3H, d, $J = 2$ Hz, Me-6'), 5.54 (1H, d, $J = 9$ Hz, H-10), 5.67 (1H, t, $J = 1$ Hz, H-3'), 6.37 (2H, br s, N-CH₂-O), 6.74 (1H, d, $J = 9$ Hz, H-11), 7.92 (1H, dd, $J = 2$ Hz and 10 Hz, H-8*), 7.48 (1H, dt, $J = 2$ Hz and 10 Hz, H-7†), 7.34 (1H, br d, $J = 11$ Hz, H-5†), 7.25 (1H, dt, $J = 2$ Hz and 10 Hz, H-6†, partially under $CDCl_3$ peak). MS 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.): 339 $[M]^+$ (75), 324 $[M - 15]^+$ (100), 256 $[M - 83]^+$ (27), 240 $[M - 99]^+$ (45), 227 $[M - 112]^+$ (55), 212 $[M - 127]^+$ (95), 167 (68), 149 (80), 83 (70). (Found: C, 70.82; H, 6.22; N, 4.18%. $C_{20}H_{21}O_4N$ requires: C, 70.79; H, 6.19; N, 4.13%).

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