

9-EPI-ENT-7,15-ISOPIMARADIENE DERIVATIVES FROM *CALCEOLARIA GLANDULOSA**

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Abstract—In addition to two new 9-*epi*-pimarane diterpenes, the aerial parts of *Calceolaria glandulosa* yielded a new bis-diterpene, glandulosate, derived from the esterification of malonic acid by two 18-hydroxy-*ent*-9-*epi*-7,15-isopimaradiene units. The structures of the compounds were elucidated by spectroscopic evidence and chemical transformations.

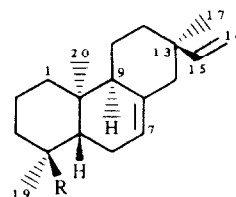
INTRODUCTION

In a previous paper [2], the characterization of *ent*-18-malonyloxy-9-*epi*-isopimarol (4), the major diterpene from the chloroform extract of *Calceolaria glandulosa* was described. Further examination of the less polar eluates from the chromatography of this extract resulted in the isolation of three additional 9-*epi*-pimarane diterpenoids. Two of these terpenoids were identified as *ent*-18-formyloxy-9-*epi*-isopimarol (1) and *ent*-9-*epi*-isopimarol (3). The other compound, bis (*ent*-9-*epi*-7,15-isopimaradiene-18-yl) malonate which has been given the trivial name glandulosate, is a further example of a bis-diterpene.

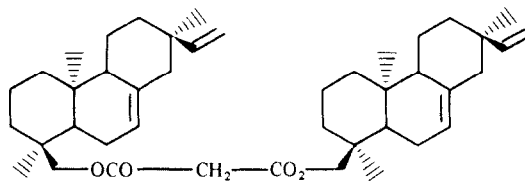
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The chloroform extract of the fresh aerial parts of *C. glandulosa* was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel, using increasing proportions of ethyl acetate in petrol as solvent, to afford some diterpene-enriched fractions [2]. Repeated chromatography of the petrol-ethylacetate fraction (14/1) led to the purification of compounds 1 and 2, whereas the next fraction (9/1) led to the isolation of 3.

The less polar diterpene (1) had a molecular formula $C_{21}H_{32}O_2$ ($[M]^+$ at m/z 316) and its 1H NMR spectrum exhibited the characteristic signals of a 7,15-isopimaradiene-type structure (δ 5.21, *br s*, H-7, 5.82, *dd*, H-15, 4.91 *dd*, H-16c, 4.89, *dd*, H-16t) with a primary ester group (δ 3.86, *d*, H-18, 3.76 *d*, H-18'). The nature of the ester side chain of 1 was evident from spectroscopic data. Two strong absorptions, one at 1720 cm^{-1} and the other at 1170 cm^{-1} , in the IR, together with a singlet at δ 8.05, accounting for one proton, in the 1H NMR clearly indicated that the ester side chain of 1 is a formyl unit [3,4]. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum of 1 (Table 1) confirmed the presence of these features and established that the terpenic moiety of the compound closely corresponded to



	R
1	CH ₂ OCOCH ₃
3	CH ₂ OH
4	CH ₂ OCOCH ₂ COOH



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those of *ent*-18-malonyloxy-9-*epi*-isopimarol (4) [2]. Therefore, 1 is shown to be *ent*-18-formyloxy-9-*epi*-isopimarol. As confirmation of the proposed structure, formylation of *ent*-9-*epi*-isopimarol (3) [2] afforded 1, whose spectral and physical data were in full agreement with those of the natural product.

The structure of glandulosate, 2 ($C_{43}H_{64}O_4$, $[M]^+$ at m/z 644) was deduced by comparing its spectral data with that of *ent*-18-malonyloxy-9-*epi*-isopimarol (4) [2]. In fact, the 1H NMR spectrum of 2 was superimposable on that of 4, but the integral due to the terpenic moiety was twice that of the malonate protons (δ 3.36), which suggested that two *ent*-9-*epi*-isopimaryl units must be linked by malonic acid in a similar fashion as found in foliosate [1]. Accordingly, the ^{13}C NMR spectrum of 2 (Table 1) exhi-

*Part 4 in the series 'Diterpenoids from *Calceolaria* species'. For Part 3 see ref. [1].

Table 1. ^{13}C NMR spectral data of compounds **1** and **2** (CDCl_3 , TMS)

C	1*	2†
1	36.3	36.5
2	18.1	18.1
3	37.0	37.1
4	36.4	36.5
5	38.2	38.5
6	24.0	24.0
7	118.6	119.1
8	136.6	137.2
9	53.1	53.2
10	35.1	35.1
11	25.5	25.5
12	39.5	39.5
13	39.0	39.1
14	49.6	49.8
15	145.2	145.9
16	111.1	111.5
17	29.9	29.9
18	72.8	74.9
19	18.6	18.4
20	22.8	22.7

*Formyl carbon at 160.8 (s)

†Malonate carbons at 166.8 (s), 2 CO; 41.8 (t), CH_2

bited 22 signals which agreed well with those of **4** [2]. The observed evidence are completely in accordance with structure **2** and glandulosate corresponded thus to bis-(*ent*-9-*epi*-7,15 isopimaradiene-18-yl) malonate.

Finally, the IR spectrum of compound **3**, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}]^+$ at m/z 288) indicated the presence of olefinic and hydroxyl groups. Comparison of the ^1H NMR spectrum of **3** with that of **1** showed only minor differences for the skeletal proton signals. In particular, the formyl proton singlet was missing and the H-18 and H-18' signals shifted upfield from δ 3.86 and 3.76 to 3.35 and 3.14, respectively. These differences indicated that **3** must be the deformyl derivative of **1**. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3** confirmed all the above results and defined the proposed structure as *ent*-9-*epi*-isopimarol. This is the first report of natural occurrence of **3**, which had been previously produced as a synthetic substance [2].

The accumulation of 9-epimeric diterpenoids, some of them, esterified by malonic acid in members of the *Calceolaria* genus is of systematic value

EXPERIMENTAL

Mps uncorr ^1H NMR: 400 and 500 MHz in CDCl_3 with TMS, as int. std; ^{13}C NMR: 100 and 125 MHz, CDCl_3 with TMS as int. std. Assignments of ^{13}C NMR chemical shifts were made with the aid of APT and SFORD, IR: film on NaCl or KBr pellets; MS: direct inlet, 70 eV. *Calceolaria glandulosa* Poepp ex

Benth., collected in Cuesta Zapata, V-Region, Chile in November 1985, was identified at the Universidad Federico Santa Maria, where a voucher specimen is deposited. General details of extn and chromatographic sepn of the CHCl_3 extract of the plant have been described previously [2].

ent-18-*Formyloxy*-9-*epi*-isopimarol (**1**). Viscous colourless oil, $[\alpha]_D^{25} -108.1$ (CHCl_3 , c 1.5). IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{film}} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 3060, 2980–2840, 1720, 1635, 1460, 1450, 1410, 1380, 1370, 1170, 915, 850, 820. ^1H NMR (400 MHz): δ 8.05 (1H, s, formyl), 5.82 (1H, *dd*, $J = 11.3$, 17.15 Hz, H-15), 5.21 (1H, *br s*, H-7), 4.91 (1H, *dd*, $J = 11.3$, 1.5 Hz, H-16c), 4.89 (1H, *dd*, $J = 17.5$, 1.5 Hz, H-16t), 3.86 (1H, *d*, $J = 10.7$ Hz, H-18), 3.76 (1H, *d*, $J = 10.7$ Hz, H-18'), 0.96 (3H, s, Me-17), 0.94 (3H, s, Me-20), 0.92 (3H, s, Me-19). ^{13}C NMR: see Table 1; MS m/z (rel. int.): 316 [$\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_2$, $\text{M}]^+$ (73); 301 [$\text{M} - \text{Me}]^+$ (81), 273 (62), 270 (57), 255 (73), 187 (84), 133 (94), 119 (94), 105 (100), 95 (93), 67 (79), 55 (82), 43 (68), 41 (62).

Formylation of ent-9-*epi*-isopimarol. **3** (200 mg) was treated with 35 mg of HCO_2H (p.a. grade). The reagents were refluxed for 30 min and after evapn under vacuum, the mixt was chromatographed on silica gel (20 g) and eluted with petrol-EtOAc (**14** : **1**) yielding pure *ent*-18-formyloxy-9-*epi*-isopimarol (155 mg). The spectral and physical properties (TLC, IR, ^1H NMR and MS) of this compound were in full agreement with those of the natural product **1**.

Bis-(*ent*-9-*epi*-7,15-isopimaradiene-18-yl) malonate (glandulosate, **2**). Viscous colourless oil, $[\alpha]_D^{25} -134.0^\circ$ (CHCl_3 ; c 1.0). IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{film}} \text{ cm}^{-1}$ 3060, 2960–2840, 1730, 1640, 1460, 1450, 1410, 1380, 1330, 1270, 1150, 1030, 1010, 915, 850, 820. ^1H NMR (500 MHz): δ 5.87 (2H, *dd*, $J = 11.2$, 17.5 Hz, H-15 and H-15'), 5.25 (2H, *br s*, H-7 and H-7'), 4.95 (2H, *dd*, $J = 17.5$, 1.5 Hz, H-16t and H-16t'), 3.87 (2H, *d*, $J = 10.7$ Hz, H₂-18), 3.80 (2H, *d*, $J = 10.7$ Hz, H₂-18'), 3.36 (2H, s, H₂-malonyl), 1.00 (6H, s, Me-17 and Me-17'), 0.97 (6H, s, Me-20 and Me-20'), 0.95 (6H, s, Me-19 and Me-19'). ^{13}C NMR: see Table 1, MS m/z (rel. int.) 644 [$\text{C}_{43}\text{H}_{64}\text{O}_4$, $\text{M}]^+$ (10), 629 [$\text{M} - \text{Me}]^+$ (5), 288 (5), 270 (52), 255 (38), 139 (83), 105 (100), 81 (85), 55 (70).

ent-9-*epi*-Isopimarol (**3**). The compound was identified by direct comparison of its physical (TLC, mp, $[\alpha]_D^{25}$) and spectral (^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, MS) properties with those previously reported by us [2].

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