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<sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ11.98 (1H, s, OH), 11.43 (1H, s, OH), 7.25 (1H, d, J = 9.2 Hz, H-6), 6.73 (1H, d, J = 9.2 Hz, H-7), 6.52 (1H, d, J = 2.47 Hz, H-4), 6.39 (1H, d, J = 2.47 Hz, H-2), 3.93 (3H, s, OMe), 3.87 (3H, s, OMe); EIMS m/z: 288 [M]<sup>+</sup> (C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>), 273 [M - Me]<sup>+</sup>, 245 [M - C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>O]<sup>+</sup>, 230 [M - C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O]<sup>+</sup>.

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# ALKALOIDS AND COUMARINS FROM STEM BARK OF CITRUS GRANDIS

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**Abstract**—An acetone extract of the stem bark of *Citrus grandis. f. buntan* afforded a new acridone alkaloid, buntanmine-A and a new coumarin, buntansin, together with six known acridone alkaloids and 10 known coumarins. Structures were elucidated by spectral methods and chemical transformations.

## INTRODUCTION

Citrus grandis f. buntan (Chinese name: Buntan) is a well known fruit belonging to the Rutaceae in Taiwan. In continuation of our chemical investigation of the genus Citrus [1], we were interested in the constituents of this species. Recently, we have reported on the isolation of novel skeletal homoacridone alkaloids, acridone alkaloids and coumarins from the root bark of the plant [1, 2]. Further examination of the stem bark has now resulted in the isolation of 18 compounds, two (1 and 3) of which are a new acridone alkaloid and a new coumarin, respectively. In this paper, we describe the structural determination of these compounds.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Buntanmine-A (1) was obtained as yellowish granules, mp  $201-202^{\circ}$ ,  $[\alpha]_{D}-116.7^{\circ}$  (MeOH). The molecular formula was determined as  $C_{21}H_{23}NO_{6}$  by HR mass spectrometry. The UV spectrum of 1 showed similar absorptions to that of grandisinine (8), indicating the presence of a 9-acridone nucleus [3-6]. The bathochromic shifts of UV bands with shift reagents and IR bands at 3407 and 1614 cm<sup>-1</sup> together with signals at  $\delta$ 14.28 and 6.40 (each 1H, disappearing with  $D_{2}O$ ) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum, indicated the presence of hydroxyl groups in 1 with at least one of them being strongly hydrogen bonded. The AB type signals in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum at  $\delta$ 6.95 and 8.01 (each 1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz) were attributed to mutually ortho-located aromatic protons, the lower field signal being assigned to H-8 in the

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acridone nucleus. Signals at  $\delta$ 3.59 (3H) and 3.93 (6H) were due to an N-Me and two methoxy groups. A lone aromatic proton appeared at  $\delta 6.40$  as singlet. The presence of the remaining 2'-hydroxy-3'-methylbut-3'-enyl side chain in the molecule was inferred by the signals at  $\delta$ 4.81, 4.91 (each 1 H, s, C=GH<sub>2</sub>), 4.33 (1 H, m, H-2'), 3.12 (2H, m, H-1'), 1.81 (3H, s, Me), 1.59 (1H, s, OH) in the  $^{1}$ H NMR spectrum, and  $^{13}$ C NMR signals at  $\delta$ 17.2 (q), 32.9(t), 73.9(d), 109.8(t), 159.5(s) together with the mass fragment ion peak at m/z 314  $[M-C_4H_7O]^+$ . In the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 1, an N-methyl carbon signal at  $\delta$ 48.4 and an aromatic carbon (C-2) at  $\delta$ 93.6 (d) indicated the location of the  $C_5$  unit side chain at C-4 [6, 7]. On the other hand, the doublet signal of 1 at  $\delta 6.95$  was shifted appreciably (0.1 ppm) to lower field ( $\delta$ 7.05) on acetylation together with a signal for an aromatic carbon (C-7) at  $\delta$ 112.6 which was similar to that found in grandisinine (8) [6, 7], indicating the presence of a phenolic hydroxyl group at C-6. On the basis of these results structure 1 was assigned to buntanmine-A.

Buntansin (3) was isolated as colourless granules, mp 216-217°. The molecular formula was established as  $C_{11}H_8O$  by HR mass spectrometry, ([M]<sup>+</sup>, m/z 220). It showed UV absorption maxima at 223, 231 239, 298 (sh) and 323.4 nm. The IR bands at 1742, 1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> were similar to those found in crenulatin (15) [1] being characteristic of a typical 6-alkyl-7-alkoxycoumarin nucleus. The presence of a carboxylic acid group in the molecule was inferred from the IR bands at 3345 and 1695 cm<sup>-1</sup> and the mass fragment ion peak at m/z 175 [M -CO<sub>2</sub>H]<sup>+</sup>. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 3 signals for H-3 and H-4 appeared at  $\delta 6.36$  and 8.06 (each 1H, d, J = 10 Hz), respectively. The spectrum also showed a methoxy group at  $\delta$ 3.91 and two singlet aromatic protons at  $\delta$ 7.15 and 8.09. The lower field signal at  $\delta$ 8.09 was assigned to H-5 due to the anisotropic effect of the carboxylic group. From the above spectral data, we propose structure 3 for buntansin.

The known acridone alkaloids citpressine-I (4) [6], -II (5) [6], citracridone-I (6) [6], 5-hydroxynoracronycine (7) [6], grandisinine (8) [6], and the known coumarins 5-methoxyseselin (10) [6], xanthyletin (11) [6], xanthoxyle-

tin (12) [6], umbelliferone (13) [8], scopoletin (14) [8], crenulatin (15) [1], citrubuntin (16) [1], suberenone (17) [9], ulopterol (18) [10] and (+)-5-demethyltoddanol (19)\* [11] were also isolated from the stem bark of C. grandis. These compounds were identified by comparison of their spectral data (UV, IR, <sup>1</sup>H NMR and mass spectra) and/or mmp with the corresponding authentic samples. According to spectral data and chemical evidence, compound 9 was assigned to atalafoline [12, 13]; however, direct comparison with an authentic compound was not made.

### EXPERIMENTAL

Mps: uncorr.  $^1H$  (100 MHz) and  $^{13}C$  NMR (25 and 62.5 MHz) were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> except where noted. Chemical shifts are shown in ppm ( $\delta$ ) with TMS as int. std. MS were measured using a direct inlet system. UV were determined in MeOH and IR recorded in KBr except where stated.

Plant material. Citrus grandis Osbeck f. buntan Hayata was collected from Tainan Hsien, Taiwan in August 1984 and identified by Prof. C. S. Kuoh. A specimen is deposited in the Herbarium of Chia-Nan Junior College of Pharmacy, Tainan, Taiwan, Republic of China.

Extraction and separation. Dried stem bark (2 kg) was extracted with Me<sub>2</sub>CO and concd to afford a brown syrup (165 g). The Me<sub>2</sub>CO extract (160 g) was chromatographed on a silica gel column and eluted with  $C_6H_6$ –Me<sub>2</sub>CO (9:1) to give 32 frs. Fr. 1 (26.6 g) was rechromatographed on silica gel with *n*-hexane–EtOAc (19:1) to afford successively 10 (0.6 g), 12 (6.1 g), 8 (3.2 g), and 5 (0.4 g). Fr. 2 (7.3 g) was also rechromatographed on silica gel and eluted with  $C_6H_6$ –Me<sub>2</sub>CO (25:1) to give 12 (2.1 g), 11 (1.2 g), 6 (25 mg), 5 (18 mg), 8 (0.3 g), 7 (0.1 g), 4 (15 mg), 19 (6 mg), compound a (1 mg) and 1 (12 mg). Fr. 3 (2 g) was treated similarly to give 5 (0.1 g), 8 (0.3 g) and 15 (25 mg), respectively. Fr. 4 (7.3 g) was repeatedly chromatographed on silica gel with  $C_6H_6$ –Me<sub>2</sub>CO (19:1) to afford successively, 6 (5 mg), 5 (14 mg), 15 (25 mg) and 8 (0.1 g). Fr. 5 (3.9 g) was

<sup>\*</sup>We give a trivial name for the convenience of use.

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rechromatographed on silica gel using  $\rm C_6H_6-Me_2CO$  to give 7 (7 mg), 17 (2 mg), 4 (22 mg) and compound b (10 mg). Fr. 6 (3.5 g) was also subjected to rechromatography on silica gel using CHCl<sub>3</sub>-MeOH (25:1) and each fr. was monitored by TLC to yield 6 (1.6 mg), 9 (2 mg) and 4 (5 mg), respectively. Fr. 7 (8.5 g) was subjected to silica gel CC and eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-Me<sub>2</sub>CO (25:1) to obtain 16 (13 mg), 15 (5 mg), 17 (4 mg), 14 (16 mg), and 13 (5 mg). Compound 18 (35 mg) and 3 (6 mg) were sepd from frs 13 and 16, respectively.

Buntanmine-A (1). Yellowish granules (Me<sub>2</sub>CO), mp 201–202°,  $[\alpha]_D$  –116.7° (MeOH; c0.12). Found:  $[M]^+$ , 385.1488;  $C_{21}H_{23}NO_6$ , requires, 385.1523. UV  $\lambda_{max}$  nm (log  $\varepsilon$ ): 223.3 (4.2), 261.5 (sh, 4.62), 268 (4.64), 333.4 (4.26), 391.6 (3.78);  $\lambda_{max}^{+AlCl_3}$  nm: 237.9, 266.0 (sh), 278.2, 358.6, 442.9;  $\lambda_{max}^{+NaOMe}$  nm: 266.3, 295.2 (sh), 332 (sh), 377.8. IR  $\nu_{max}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3407, 1614, 1590, 1556, 1069, 894. <sup>13</sup>C NMR:  $\delta$ 17.2 (q), 32.9 (t), 48.4 (q), 55.5 (q), 59.7 (q), 73.9 (d), 93.6 (d), 106.3 (s), 106.6 (s), 109.8 (t), 112.6 (d), 117.2 (s), 121.9 (d), 136.6 (s), 147.5 (s), 150.2 (s), 155.7 (s), 159.5 (s), 162.8 (s), 164.3 (s) and 181.9 (s). EIMS m/z (rel. int.): 385  $[M]^+$  (1), 314 (100), 299 (21), 284 (14).

Acetylation of buntanmine-A (1). A soln of 1 (2 mg) in a mixt. of  $Ac_2O$  (0.5 ml) and pyridine (0.5 ml) was allowed to stand at room temp. overnight and the reaction mixt. worked-up in the usual manner. Compound 2 (1.5 mg) was obtained as a yellowish oily product. UV  $\lambda_{max}$  nm: 221.4, 256 (sh), 270, 305 (sh), 323 (sh), 331, 398.2. IR  $\nu_{max}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1772, 1736, 1629, 1589, 1569, 1201, 900. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ1.72 (6H, s, Me and OAc), 2.41 (3H, s, OAc), 3.24 (2H, m, H-1'), 3.64 (3H, s, N-Me), 3.94 (6H, s, OMe × 2), 4.77 (2H, s, H-4'), 5.53 (1H, t, J = 7 Hz, H-2'), 6.38 (1H, s, H-2), 7.05 (1H, d, J = 9 Hz, H-7), 8.09 (1H, d, J = 9 Hz, H-8), 14.09 (1H, s, 1-OH). EIMS m/z: 469 [M]<sup>+</sup>, 356 (100%), 326, 314, 299, 298.

Buntansin (3). Colourless granules, mp 216–217° (Me<sub>2</sub>CO). Found: [M]<sup>+</sup>, 220.0346, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, requires, 220.0370. UV  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  nm (log  $\varepsilon$ ): 223 (3.95), 231 (3.91), 239 (3.88), 298 (sh, 3.71) and 323.4 (3.88). IR  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3345, 1742, 1695, 1620, 1500. EIMS m/z: 220 [M]<sup>+</sup> (100%), 203, 191, 175, 173, 145.

Atalafoline (9). Yellow granules, mp 155–158° (Me<sub>2</sub>CO), C<sub>1.7</sub>H<sub>1.7</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>. UV  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  nm (log ε): 220.6 (4.03), 271.6 (4.61), 300.0 (sh, 3.93), 331.1 (3.96), 394.1 (3.57). IR  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3400, 1641, 1610, 1595, 1566, 1534. EIMS m/z (rel. int.): 331 [M]<sup>+</sup> (100), 316 (80), 302 (9), 298 (10), 288 (86), 286 (10), 273 (13), 272 (13), 258 (41), 244 (14), 230 (26). <sup>1</sup>H NMR: δ3.78, 3.98, 4.02, 4.04 (each 3H, s, 3 × OMe and N-Me), 6.44 (1H, s, H-4), 6.51 (1H, s, 3-OH), 6.99

(1 H, d, J = 9 Hz, H-7), 8.22 (1 H, d, J = 9 Hz, H-8), 14.84 (1 H, s, 1-OH).

Acetylation of atalafoline (9). The same procedures described for acetylation of 1 were carried out to give yellow needles of 9a, mp  $181-182^{\circ}$  (n-hexane),  $C_{19}H_{19}NO_7$ . UV  $\lambda_{max}$  nm: 265.3, 273 (sh), 325 (sh), 328, 407.7. IR  $\nu_{max}$  cm $^{-1}$ : 1761, 1636, 1601, 1560, 1516. EIMS m/z (rel. int.): 373 [M] $^+$  (15), 331 (100), 316 (49), 288 (67), 258 (38) and 244 (17).  $^1H$  NMR:  $\delta$ 2.40 (3H, s, OAc), 3.78, 3.94, 4.0, 4.03 (each 3H, s, 3 × OMe and N-Me), 6.58 (1H, s, H-4), 7.02 (1H, d, d = 9.2 Hz, H-7), 8.24 (1H, d, d = 9.2 Hz, H-8), 14.65 (1H, s, 1-OH).  $^{13}$ C NMR (62.5 MHz):  $\delta$ 40.3 (q), 56.3 (q), 60.9 (q), 61.3 (q), 90.5 (d), 107.5 (d), 107.8 (s), 122.9 (d), 155.4 (s), 21.0 (q). The signals for the quaternary carbon could not be detected because of the small sample size.

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