

PHENYLPROPANOID ESTERS FROM *LAMIUM ALBUM* FLOWERS

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Abstract—Two phenylpropanoid glycosides, a new one, lamalboside (2^R-galactosylacteoside) and the known acteoside, the flavonol *p*-coumaroylglucoside, tiliroside, 5-caffeoylquinic acid (chlorogenic acid), along with rutoside and quercetin and kaempferol 3-*O*-glucosides were isolated from the flowers of *Lamium album*. Esters of glycosides were obtained as mixtures of *trans/cis* isomers. The presence of flavonoid *p*-coumaroylglucosides links *Lamium* to other members of the subfamily Lamioideae.

INTRODUCTION

Lamium album is a medicinal plant [1, 2] and previous chemical investigations showed the presence of flavonoids [3–5], iridoid glucosides [6, 7], phenolic and fatty acids [8–10], polysaccharides [11], triterpene saponins [12], stachydrin [10], amines, essential oil, condensed tannins and a mucilage [4].

The aim of the present work was isolation and identification of phenolics present in the flowers of *Lamium album*, which, after 2D TLC analysis, seemed to be not reported so far from this species. This paper describes the detection of *trans*- and *cis*-tiliroside (**1** and **2**), rutoside (**5**), acteoside (*trans*- and *cis*) (**7**), the unique 2^R-galactosylacteoside (lamalboside) (**8**) and previously suggested chlorogenic acid (**6**) [8] and quercetin and kaempferol 3-*O*-glucosides (**3**, **4**) [4].

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Separation of the water-soluble portion of the methanolic extract from the flowers by preparative TLC on cellulose and polyamide yielded **1–8**.

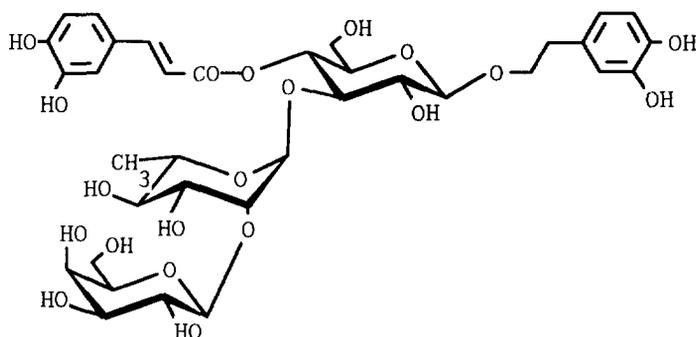
Compounds **3–6** were identified as quercetin 3-*O*-glucoside, kaempferol 3-*O*-glucoside, rutoside and chlorogenic acid, respectively, by direct comparisons with authentic samples and reported data [13–16].

Mixtures of **1** and **2** could not be separated by preparative TLC into individual components as they were very easily interconvertible. ¹H NMR (in CD₃OD) showed signals of tiliroside (kaempferol 3-*O*-(6'''-*O*-*trans*-*p*-coumaroyl)-glucopyranoside) (= **1**) [17] together with an additional weaker series of signals with a similar coupling pattern, except for those of the olefinic protons whose *J* = 13 Hz indicated a *cis*-configuration for the *p*-coumaroyl moiety [18]. Hence, the minor component, **2**, is identified as *cis*-tiliroside. Although both **1** and **2** were

easily recognizable in the crude extract by 2D-TLC on cellulose in BAW (one spot) and 15% HOAc (two spots), the *cis*-isomer (**2**) was preferentially formed during chromatography. This assumption arose from the observation that the sample of unknown flavonoid obtained by column chromatography in previous work [5], which appeared now to be pure *trans*-tiliroside (= **1**) by its ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra [17, 19], showed two spots on 2D-TLC, like the mixture of **1** and **2**. This behaviour was quite similar to that of chlorogenic acid (= **6**) or *p*-coumaric acid itself [20].

Compound **7** was *trans*-acteoside (= *trans*-verbascoside) with a small admixture of *cis*-acteoside (ratio 6:1) from its ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra in accordance with the published data [21]. However, in contrast to data recorded for both isomers as separate compounds [21], we noticed no differences for resonances of the aglycone part (see Experimental). Our results may be more reliable since they were measured for isomers in a mixture, i.e. under the same conditions. The existence of the phenethyl part as a minor component was confirmed by ¹H NMR, which indicated that the quantitative ratio of the aglycone part to each of the caffeoyl, glucosyl and rhamnosyl moieties (each from both isomers as a sum) to be 1:1.

Compound **8** gave caffeic acid, glucose, rhamnose and galactose upon complete hydrolysis and acteoside upon partial acid hydrolysis (coTLC). The ¹H NMR of **8** showed, besides the presence of *trans*-caffeoyl and 3,4-dihydroxyphenylethyl moieties, three sugars due to three anomeric proton signals at δ 5.58 (*d*, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 4.38 (*d*, *J* = 7.9 Hz) and 4.36 (*d*, *J* = 7.5 Hz) [Table 1]. The sequence of resonances of the sugar moiety with H-1 at δ 4.38, traced first by ¹H-¹H COSY and then by one-bond ¹³C-H COSY, were those of glucopyranose with shifts indicative of glycosylation and acylation at the C-3 and C-4 positions, respectively (H-3/C-3—δ 3.77/82.9; H-4/C-4—δ 4.92/70.5), as in the case of acteoside, e.g. [22]



8 (*trans*)

(Table 1). In turn, rhamnosyl signals, recognized in the same manner (H-1 at δ 5.58), revealed deshielded NMR values for H-2 and C-2 (δ 4.01 and 83.0, respectively), due to glycosylation at this position. The remaining ^{13}C signals were those of unsubstituted galactopyranosyl [23], the ^1H signals of which were located with the aid of ^{13}C -H COSY. Thus, rhamnose is attached to C-3 of glucose and galactose is a terminal sugar linked to C-2 of rhamnose. Moreover, the ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **8** contained series of much smaller signals with quite close, if not identical, shifts and coupling patterns, except for those assignable to *cis*-caffeoyl (olefinic protons doublets at δ 5.76 and 6.88, with $J = 13$ Hz each) [21]. These signals could correspond to the minor compound having the same structure except the *cis*-configuration of the caffeic acid residue. This assumption was supported by the presence of 3,4-dihydroxyphenethyl, caffeoyl (*trans* plus *cis*), glucosyl, rhamnosyl and galactosyl moieties in equal amounts, in total, as judged by integrals in the ^1H NMR spectrum. Hence, **8** is 2^R-galactosylacteoside, a new naturally occurring product; we have named it lamalboside (either *trans* or *cis*).

Tiliroside, first found in *Tilia argentea* (Tiliaceae) [24] (structure revised in ref. [25]) and also in *Pteridium aquilinum* (Polypodiaceae) [26], *Quercus ilex* and *Q. cerris* (Fagaceae) [27, 28], *Helianthemum ovatum* (Cistaceae) [29], *Rubus chingii* (Rosaceae) [30] and *Rosa dauvarica* (Rosaceae) [31], has been already reported in the family Lamiaceae in *Phlomis spectabilis* [17], while kaempferol 3-*p*-coumaroylglucoside with an undefined ester linkage position was detected in *Phlomis purpurea* [32]. Generally, flavonoid *p*-coumaroylglucosides (of various aglycones) are considered as valuable chemotaxonomic markers in the Lamiaceae, restricted to some genera (e.g. *Phlomis*) of the subfamily Lamioideae [32] to which *Lamium* belongs.

Tiliroside has been only described as *trans*-isomer [17] and its susceptibility to *cis/trans* isomerization seems not to have been reported. *Trans-p*-coumaroyl esters of kaempferol and quercetin diglycosides and their *cis*-analogues have been described as pure compounds from *Strychnos variabilis* (Loganiaceae) [18], but without comments about possible isomerization. Transformation from *trans*- to *cis*-geometry was described for *p*-coumaroyl esters of some anthocyanins (from the Lamiaceae)

[sun-induced] [33] and for alkyl ester of *p*-coumaric acid (UV-induced) [34].

Caffeoyl esters of di- and trisaccharide phenylethanoids, as well as chlorogenic acid, are typical for the family Lamiaceae [35]; however, lamalboside (**8**) now seems to be specific for *L. album*.

EXPERIMENTAL

Plant material. Flowers of *L. album* L. were collected at Dziewicza Góra near Poznań, Poland, in May 1992 and air-dried.

TLC. Cellulose MN-300 (Serva) in 15% HOAc (syst. 1). Polyamide 6D (Riedel-De Häehn) in H_2O -EtOH-Ac₂CH₂ 4:2:1 (syst. 2); CHCl_3 -MeOH-MeCOEt-Ac₂CH₂ 9:4:2:1 (syst. 3); H_2O -*n*-BuOH-Me₂CO, 8:1:1 (syst. 4); EtOAc-EtOH-H₂O, 20:3:2 (syst. 5). Silica gel (Merck) in Me₂CO-*n*-BuOH-H₂O, 8:1:1 (syst. 6). Cellulose F, precoated (Merck) in 15% HOAc (syst. 7). 2D-TLC on cellulose plastic-backed sheets (without UV indicator) [Merck] in BAW (*n*-BuOH-HOAc-H₂O 4:1:5, upper phase) and 15% HOAc.

Spectroscopy. ^1H (300 MHz) and ^{13}C (75 MHz) NMR spectra were run with TMS as int. standard. UV spectra were recorded according to ref. [36].

Extraction and isolation. Plant material (15 g) was extracted with hot MeOH ($\times 5$). The dry extract was dissolved in H_2O , washed with CHCl_3 and sepd by prep. TLC (syst. 1) into bands 1-4 of increasing polarity. Band 3 yielded **1** + **2**, **3** + **4** and **5** by TLC in syst. 2. Compounds **1** + **2** sepd in syst. 7 gave **1** + **2** again from each band (*ca* 1 mg). Compound **3** (1.5 mg), **4** (1.2 mg) and **5** (1.6 mg) were purified in syst. 3. Band 4 was sepd in syst. 4 ($\times 2$ runs) to give **6** (155 mg), **7** (22 mg) and **8** (122 mg). Finally, **1**-**8** were purified by Sephadex LH-20 CC in MeOH. The sample (100 mg) of unknown flavonoid, obtained by cellulose CC in BAW in the work of ref. [5] from the flowers of *L. album*, was purified by successive CC on polyamide SC-6 (Macherey-Nagel) and Sephadex LH-20 in MeOH.

Hydrolysis. Using 1 M HCl, 90°. EtOAc extractions of hydrolysates were analysed for phenolics (see below) and H_2O residues for sugars (coTLC in syst. 6).

Table 1. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR data of lamalboside (**8**)* (in CD_3OD)

	<i>trans</i> -Isomer		<i>cis</i> -Isomer	
	C	H	C	H
Aglycone				
1	131.6	—	131.6	—
2	117.2	6.72, <i>d</i> (2.0)	117.2	6.72, <i>d</i> (2.0)
3	144.6	—	144.6	—
4	146.1	—	146.1	—
5	116.4	6.69, <i>d</i> (8.1)	116.4	6.69, <i>d</i> (8.1)
6	121.3	6.57, <i>dd</i> (2.0/8.1)	121.3	6.57, <i>dd</i> (2.0/8.1)
7	36.5	2.79, <i>t</i> (7.4)	36.5	2.79, <i>t</i> (7.4)
8	72.2	4.05, <i>m</i> 3.71, <i>m</i>	72.2	4.05, <i>m</i> 3.71, <i>m</i>
Caffeoyl				
1	127.7	—	128.1	—
2	115.3	7.07, <i>d</i> (2.0)	119.0	7.53, <i>d</i> (2.2)
3	149.8	—	148.6	—
4	146.8	—	145.6	—
5	116.6	6.79, <i>d</i> (8.3)	115.8	6.75, <i>d</i> (8.3)
6	123.3	6.96, <i>dd</i> (2.0/8.1)	125.9	7.11, <i>dd</i> (2.2/8.1)
7	148.0	7.60, <i>d</i> (16.0)	147.5	6.88, <i>d</i> (12.8)
8	114.7	6.28, <i>d</i> (16.0)	115.8	5.76, <i>d</i> (12.8)
9	168.3	—	166.8	—
Glucose				
1	104.1	4.38, <i>d</i> (7.9)	104.1	4.38, <i>d</i> (7.9)
2	76.2	3.39, <i>dd</i> (7.9/8.9)	76.0	‡
3	82.9	3.79, <i>t</i> (9)	83.2	‡
4	70.5	4.92, <i>t</i> (9)	70.5	‡
5	75.9	3.53 †	75.9	‡
6	62.3	3.58 †	62.3	‡
Rhamnose				
1	102.4	5.57, <i>d</i> (1.5)	102.4	5.55, <i>d</i> (1.5)
2	83.0	4.01, <i>dd</i> (1.5/3.6)	83.0	‡
3	71.8	3.66, <i>dd</i> (3.6/9.6)	71.8	‡
4	74.1	3.28, <i>t</i> (9.6)	74.2	‡
5	70.4	3.53, †	70.3	‡
6	18.5	1.06, <i>d</i> (6.1)	18.2	1.14, <i>d</i> (6.1)
Galactose				
1	107.5	4.36, <i>d</i> (7.5)	107.5	4.36, <i>d</i> (7.5)
2	72.9	3.56 †	72.9	‡
3	74.9	3.48, <i>dd</i> (9.5/3.2)	74.9	‡
4	70.5	3.80 †	70.5	‡
5	77.0	3.52 †	77.0	‡
6	62.9	3.85, <i>dd</i> (5.5/13.0) 3.72 †	62.9	‡

* Assignments made using ^1H - ^1H COSY and one-bond ^1H - ^{13}C COSY.

† Signal pattern unclear due to overlapping.

‡ Overlapped with other signals.

Trans- and cis-Tiliroside (kaempferol 3-O- β -(6''-O-trans- and cis-p-coumaroyl)-glucopyranoside) [**1** + **2**]. Yellow powder. UV $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{MeOH}}$ nm: 268 sh, 300, 313, 358 sh; + NaOMe 277, 312 sh, 367; + NaOAc 275, 312, 370; + H_3BO_3 + NaOAc 270, 314, 360 sh; + AlCl_3 275, 308, 402 sh; + AlCl_3 + HCl 276, 308, 400 sh. ^1H NMR (CD_3OD): [component **1** = *trans*-isomer] δ 7.99 and 6.82 (each 2H, AA'BB', J_{ortho} = 8.7 Hz, H-2', 6' and H-3', 5',

respectively), 7.40 and 6.07 (each 1H, *d*, J = 15.6 Hz, H-7'' and H-8''', respectively), 7.32 and 6.80 (each 2H, AA'BB', J_{ortho} = 8.4 Hz, H-2'', 6''' and H-3'', 5''', respectively), 6.31 and 6.13 (each 1H, *d*, J = 2.1 Hz, H-8 and H-6, respectively), 5.23 (1H, *d*, J = 7.5 Hz, H-1''), 4.30 (1H, *dd*, J = 2.0/11.9 Hz, H-6''), 4.18 (1H, *dd*, J = 6.3/11.9 Hz, H-6''_b), 3.5–3.2 (*m*, H-2''–5''); [component **2** = *cis*-isomer] 7.96 and 6.80 (each 2H, AA'BB', J_{ortho} = 8.0 Hz, H-2', 6'

and H-3', 5', respectively), 7.51 and 6.68 (each 2H, AA'BB', $J_{ortho} = 8.7$ Hz, H-2'', 6'' and H-3'', 5'', respectively), 6.71 and 5.50 (each 1H, d , $J = 12.6$ Hz, H-7'', H-8'', respectively), 6.18 and 6.03 (each 1H, d , $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-8 and H-6, respectively), 5.19 (1H, d , $J = 7.5$ Hz, H-1''), 4.29 (1H, m , H-6''_A), 4.18 (1H, m , H-H-6''_B). The ratio *cis/trans* was ca 1:5 from integrals. Hydrolysis (1 hr) gave kaempferol, *p*-coumaric acid (coTLC, systs 1, 3) and glucose.

Trans-tiliroside (1). Obtained by ref. [5]. Yellow powder. 2D-TLC: R_f s: BAW: 0.92, 15% HOAc: 0.27 (*trans*), 0.37 (*cis*). The MeOH soln of **1** on exposure to daylight showed by 1D TLC on cellulose in 15% HOAc increasing amounts of *cis*-isomer as a higher migrating spot. UV λ_{max}^{MeOH} nm: 267, 300sh, 316, 358sh; + NaOMe 275, 312sh, 370; + NaOAc 275, 312, 373; + H_3BO_3 + NaOAc 267, 316, 360sh; + $AlCl_3$ 275, 308, 322sh, 402; + $AlCl_3$ + HCl 276, 306, 322sh, 401. 1H NMR (DMSO- d_6): δ 12.60 (1H, *sharp s*, 5-OH), 10.87, 10.18, 10.06 (each 1H, *br s*, OH at C-7, C-4', C-4''), 8.02 and 6.88 (each 2H, AA'BB', $J_{ortho} = 8.9$ Hz, H-2', 6' and H-3', 5', respectively), 7.39 and 6.81 (each 2H, AA'BB', $J_{ortho} = 8.8$ Hz, H-2'', 6'' and H-3'', 5'', respectively), 7.37 and 6.14 (each 1H, d , $J = 16.0$ Hz, H-7'' and H-8'', respectively), 6.41 and 6.18 (each 1H, d , $J = 2.1$ Hz, H-8 and H-6, respectively), 5.50 (1H, d , $J = 4.1$ Hz, sugar OH), 5.48 (1H, d , $J = 7.5$ Hz, H-1''), 5.27 (1H, d , $J = 5.7$ Hz, sugar OH), 5.23 (1H, d , $J = 5.3$ Hz, sugar OH), 4.30 (1H, dd , $J = 2/11.7$ Hz, H-6''_A), 4.06 (1H, dd , $J = 6.3/11.7$ Hz, H-6''_B), 3.35–3.20 (m , H-2''–5''); OH signals were removed after addition of D_2O . ^{13}C NMR (DMSO- d_6): [kaempferol moiety] δ 156.4 (C-2), 133.0 (C-3), 177.3 (C-4), 161.1 (C-5), 98.7 (C-6), 164.1 (C-7), 93.6 (C-8), 156.3 (C-9), 103.8 (C-10), 120.7 (C-1'), 130.0 (C-2', 6'), 115.7 (C-3', 5'), 159.9 (C-4'), [glucosyl moiety] 100.9 (C-1''), 74.2 (C-2''), 76.2 (C-3''), 69.9 (C-4''), 74.0 (C-5''), 62.9 (C-6''), [p-coumaroyl moiety] 124.8 (C-1'''), 130.7 (C-2'''), 115.0 (C-3'''), 159.7 (C-4'''), 144.5 (C-7'''), 113.6 (C-8'''), 166.1 (C-9''').

Acteoside (trans + cis) (7). Off-white amorphous powder. 1H NMR (CD₃OD): (*trans*-component) [aglycone moiety] δ 6.69 (1H, d , $J = 1.8$ Hz, H-2), 6.67 (1H, d , $J = 8.4$ Hz, H-5), 6.56 (1H, dd , $J = 1.8/8.4$ Hz, H-6), 4.05 (1H, m , H-8_A), 3.73 (1H, dd , $J = 5.3/7.8$ Hz, H-8_B), 2.79 (2H, t , $J = 7.8$ Hz, H-7), [caffeoyl moiety] 7.59 and 6.27 (each 1H, d , $J = 15.9$ Hz, H-7 and H-8, respectively), 7.05 (1H, d , $J = 2.1$ Hz, H-2), 6.96 (1H, dd , $J = 2.1/8.4$ Hz, H-6), 6.78 (1H, d , $J = 8.4$ Hz, H-5), [glucosyl moiety] 4.92 (1H, t , $J = 9.3$ Hz, H-4), 4.37 (1H, d , $J = 7.8$ Hz, H-1), 3.81 (1H, t , $J = 9.3$ Hz, H-3), 3.61 (1H, m , H-6_A), 3.55 (1H, m , H-6_B), 3.39 (1H, dd , $J = 7.8/9.3$ Hz, H-2), [rhamnosyl moiety] 5.18 (1H, d , $J = 1.8$ Hz, H-1), 3.91 (1H, dd , $J = 1.8/3.0$ Hz, H-2), 3.58 (1H, dd , $J = 3.0/9.6$ Hz, H-3), 3.53 (1H, dq , $J = 9.6/6.0$ Hz, partially overlapped H-5), 3.30 (1H, t , $J = 9.6$ Hz, H-4), 1.09 (3H, d , $J = 6.0$ Hz, H-6). (*cis*-Component) [aglycone moiety] like in *trans*-isomer; [caffeoyl moiety] 7.52 (1H, d , $J = 2.1$ Hz, H-2), 7.10 (1H, dd , $J = 2.1/8.4$ Hz, H-6), 6.87 and 5.76 (each 1H, d , $J = 13.0$ Hz, H-7 and H-8, respectively), 6.73 (1H, d , $J = 8.4$ Hz, H-5), [glucosyl moiety] 4.92 (1H, t , $J = 9.3$ Hz, H-4), 4.35 (1H, d , $J = 7.5$ Hz, H-1), [rhamnosyl moiety] 5.16 (1H, d , $J = 1.8$ Hz, H-1), 1.18 (3H, d , $J = 6.3$ Hz, H-

6). *trans/cis* Ratio was ca 6/1. ^{13}C NMR (CD₃OD): δ [trans/cis] [aglycone moiety] the same for 2 isomers 131.5 (C-1), 116.4 (C-2), 144.7 (C-3), 146.2 (C-4), 117.2 (C-5), 121.3 (C-6), 36.6 (C-7), 72.3 (C-8), [caffeoyl moiety] 127.7/128.1 (C-1), 114.8/119.0 (C-2), 149.8/148.4 (C-3), 146.9/145.7 (C-4), 116.6/115.8 (C-5), 123.2/125.9 (C-6), 148.0/147.4 (C-7), 115.3/115.7 (C-8), 168.3/166.9 (C-9), [glucosyl moiety] 104.3/104.3 (C-1), 76.1/76.0 (C-2), 81.7/81.9 (C-3), 70.5/70.5 (C-4), 76.3/76.2 (C-5), 62.4/62.4 (C-6), [rhamnosyl moiety] 103.1/103.1 (C-1), 72.4/72.4 (C-2), 72.13/72.18 (C-3), 73.86/73.90 (C-4), 70.7/70.4 (C-5), 18.5/18.2 (C-6).

Lamalboside (2-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)ethyl O- β -D-galactopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 3)-4-O-*trans*- and *cis*-caffeoyl- β -D-glucopyranoside) (8). Off-white amorphous powder. $[\alpha]_D^{44.9}$ (MeOH; c 0.49). UV λ_{max}^{MeOH} nm (log ϵ): 203 (4.61), 220 (4.23), 231 (4.07), 248 (3.95)sh, 292 (4.04), 300 (4.05), 332 (4.18); + NaOMe 258, 312, 381; + NaOAc 251sh, 288, 342, 380sh; + H_3BO_3 + NaOAc 284, 355sh, 384; + $AlCl_3$ 264, 303sh, 364; + $AlCl_3$ + HCl the same as in MeOH. 1H and ^{13}C NMR data: Table 1. Hydrolysis: (i) total (3 hr) gave caffeic acid (coTLC in systs 4 and 5) and galactose, glucose and rhamnose; (ii) partial (0.5 hr), then prep. TLC in syst. 5 (run \times 2) gave acteoside (= 7) (R_f 0.46) (coTLC, systs 4 and 5).

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