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THREE 5-METHYLCOUMARINS FROM CHAPTALIA NUTANS

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Abstract—One new 5-methylcoumarin, along with its two new isomeric glucosides were isolated from the roots of *Chaptalia nutans*. © 1997 Elsevier Science Ltd

INTRODUCTION

Chaptalia nutans (L.) Polak. (Asteraceae, subtribe Mutisiinae) has been used for the treatment of fever, headache, skin diseases, herpes and syphilis in Brazil [1]. Previous chemical investigations reported the isolation and identification of prunasin, parasorbic acid, 5-methyl- 3α -hydroxyvalerolactone and 4-O- β -glucopyranosyl-5-methylcoumarin from the aerial parts [2–4]. However, the chemical constituents of the roots have not been studied. In this paper we report the isolation and structure elucidation of coumarins from the roots of Chaptalia nutans.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Compound 1 was isolated as crystals and assigned the molecular formula C₂₀H₂₄O₅ by elemental analysis (Found: C, 69.7; H, 6.9; C₂₀H₂₄O₅ requires: C, 69.9; H, 7.0%). The UV spectrum showed absorption maxima at 209 and 320 nm, and the IR spectrum showed absorption bands at 1670, 1626 and 1580 cm⁻¹, suggesting the presence of a coumarin skeleton. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (Table 1 and Experimental) showed signals typical of a coumarin moiety, which was identified as 7-hydroxy-5-methylcoumarin from the splitting patterns observed for H-6 and H-8, together with the signals for a phenolic hydroxyl and for an aromatic methyl group. The further 10 signals in the ¹³C NMR (Table 1) suggested that the 7-hydroxy-5-methylcoumarin moiety was combined with a monoterpene side chain. Coumarins containing monoterpene side chains have been isolated from different genera of the subtribe Mutisiinae [5]. The

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Table 1. ¹³C NMR spectral data for compounds 1–3 (DMSOds, 75.5 MHz)

<i>u</i> ₆ , 73.3 MHz)			
C	1	2	3
2	160.7	161.2	160.3
3	104.7	105.0	106.3
4	166.4	166.9	166.6
4a	103.6	104.0	106.1
5	137.3	137.8	137.6
6	114.9	115.3	115.9
7	159.1	159.6	159.5
8	100.2	100.6	101.4
8a	157.3	157.8	157.4
9	21.0	21.1	21.1
1′	15.5	15.8	15.7
2′	88.5	88.8	89.1
3′	45.4	45.6	45.7
4'	38.1	38.1	38.2
5′	22.4	22.7	22.6
6′	125.4	129.5	125.8
7′	135.5	131.9	136.0
8′	21.2	21.5	21.4
9'	59.3	65.8	59.6
10′	19.0	19.1	19.2
1"		101.2	100.2
2"	~	73.5	73.4
3"		77.1	77.4
4"		70.2	69.9
5"		77.0	76.8
6"		61.2	60.9

Assignments confirmed by ${}^{1}\text{H}_{-}{}^{13}\text{C}$ COSY and DEPT experiments.

nature of the monoterpene unit in 1 was deduced by comparison with ^{1}H NMR spectral data of cycloisobrachycoumarin (4) [5]. These spectral data were closely related, except for the presence of the signals assignable to a hydroxymethyl group [δ 3.78 (1H, dd,

J = 5.2 and 12.3 Hz), 3.87 (1H, dd, J = 5.2 and 12.3 Hz)] in 1, instead of signals due to a C-9' methyl group. The analysis of the ¹H-¹H and ¹H-¹³C COSY spectrum confirmed the nature of the monoterpene side chain. The mass spectral data also supported the structure assigned for compound 1. The base peak at m/z 245 corresponds to a fragment formed by cleavage of C-3'/C-4' bond. The stereostructure was determined by NOE difference spectroscopy. Irradiation at the frequency of the olefinic proton at δ 5.09, causing an 8.5% enhancement of the H-8' signal, indicated at Z-configured double bond in the side chain. Irradiation of the methyl signal at δ 1.36 (H-1') resulted in an enhancement of 1.5% for H-10'. No nuclear Overhauser enhancement was observed between H-1' and H-4' under the same conditions, indicating that 1 possessed the same C-2' and C-3' relative stereochemistries as compound 4.

Compound 2 was isolated in crystalline form, and showed ion peaks $[M + H]^+$ at m/z 507 and $[M + Na]^+$ at m/z 529 in the positive FAB-mass spectrum, consistent with C₂₆H₃₄O₁₀. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectrum of 2 were similar to those of 1, except for the signals of a sugar moiety (one anomeric centre at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.10, $\delta_{\rm C}$ 101.2). The sugar moiety was determined as β -Dglucopyranose, based on the chemical shifts of the carbons atoms together with the coupling constant $(J_{1,2} = 7.8 \text{ Hz})$ for the anomeric proton. Assignment of the resonances of the protons and carbons of 2 was achieved by a combination of ¹H-¹H and ¹H-¹³C COSY experiments. The localization of the glucoside moiety of 2 was deduced by comparing the ¹³C NMR (Table 1) spectral data to those of compound 1. The signal of C-9' in 2 was shifted downfield by +6.5 ppm, which indicated that the glucoside unit was linked at this carbon. The relative stereochemistry of 2 was established by NOE difference spectroscopy. Irradiation at the H-6' frequency enhanced the H-8' signal in 5.3% and irradiation of the H-1' resonance enhanced the H-10' signal in 1.1%. These data indicated that 2 possesses the same C-2', C-3', C-6' and C-7' relative configuration to those of 1.

Compound 3 showed ion peaks $[M+H]^+$ at m/z 507 and $[M+Na]^+$ at m/z 529 in the FAB-mass spectrum and was consistent with $C_{26}H_{34}O_{10}$. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were similar to those of 2 and indicated that the aglycone and sugar moieties were identical in both compounds. The downfield shift of the aromatic protons H-6 and H-8, the fact that the signals for H-6'/C-6' and H-9'/C-9' were close to those of 1 rather than 2 and the absence of the proton signal for the phenolic -OH group, required the sugar moiety at C-7. Compound 3 possesses the same relative stereochemistry as in 1 and 2 due to the observation of NOEs (H-6'/H-8' and H-1'/H-10').

EXPERIMENTAL

General. Mps uncorr. ¹H NMR (300 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz) were recorded in DMSO-d₆ with

TMS as int. standard. NOEs experiments were performed using irradiation and acquisition time of 0.6 and 2.500 sec, respectively, on degassed samples at concn of 30 mg ml $^{-1}$. CC: silica gel 60 (70–230 mesh, Merck). TLC and prep. TLC: Kieselgel 60 F₂₅₄ (0.25 and 1.0 mm thick, Merck). Spots and bands were visualized by UV irradiation (254 and 366 nm).

Plant material. Roots of C. nutans were collected in January 1994, in Maringá, Paraná, Brazil. A voucher specimen is deposited at the herbarium of the Universidade Estadual de Maringá (voucher no. 3361).

Extraction and isolation. The air-dried and powdered roots (500 g) were extracted at room temp. with *n*-hexane and further with EtOH. The EtOH extract was concd under red. pres. to give 52.0 g of a residue. Part of this residue (33.8 g) was subjected to CC on silica gel, eluting successively with *n*-hexane (700 ml), *n*-hexane—EtOAc 1:1 (900 ml), EtOAc (500 ml), EtOAc—MeOH 1:1 (1000 ml) and MeOH (1000 ml).

The residue (2.59 g) of the 50% *n*-hexane–EtOAc eluant was rechromatographed on silica gel CC with *n*-hexane, *n*-hexane–CHCl₃ (9:1, 8:2, 1:1), CHCl₃, CHCl₃–MeOH (19:1, 9:1, 4:1, 1:1), affording 33 frs. Frs 12–14 and 15–17, eluted with CHCl₃ and CHCl₃–MeOH 19:1, respectively, were purified by repeated crystallization to give 1 (830.0 mg).

The residue (2.38 g) obtained from EtOAc eluant was rechromatographed on silica gel with *n*-hexane—EtOAc 1:1, EtOAc, EtOAc-MeOH (19:1, 9:1, 4:1, 1:1) and MeOH, affording 30 frs. Frs 16 and 17, eluted with CHCl₃-MeOH 19:1, were purified by repeated prep. TLC (silica gel, CHCl₃-MeOH 4:1) to give 2 (270.0 mg) and 3 (121.0 mg).

Nutanocoumarin (1): Crystals from Et₂O, mp 203–204°; UV $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{McOH}}$ nm (log ε): 320 (4.24), 209 (4.56); IR $v_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm⁻¹: 3358, 1670, 1626 and 1580. Elemental analysis: C₂₀H₂₄O₅ requires C, 69.9; H, 7.0; Found C, 69.7; H, 6.9; EI-MS (probe, 70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 344 [M]⁺ (1), 246 (17), 245 (100), 151 (9), 43 (24); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 1.14 (3H, s, H-10′), 1.36 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz; H-1′), 1.61 (2H, m, H-4′), 1.62 (3H, s, H-8′), 1.84 (1H, m, H-5′), 2.07 (1H, m, H-5′), 2.49 (3H, s, H-9), 3.78 (1H, dd, J = 5.2 and 12.3 Hz, H-9′),

3.87 (1H, dd, J = 5.2 and 12.3 Hz, H-9'), 4.46 (1H, t, J = 5.4 Hz, -OH), 4.85 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, H-2'), 5.09 (1H, t, J = 6.9 Hz, H-6'), 6.55 (1H, br s, H-8), 6.56 (1H, br s, H-6), 10.48 (1H, s, -OH); ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, DMSO- d_6): Table 1.

9'-O-β-D-Glucopyranosyl-nutanocoumarin (2). Crystals from MeOH, mp 116–118°; $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{24}$ – 29° (MeOH; c0.69); UV $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{MeOH}}$ nm (log ε): 320 (4.12), 209 (4.52); IR $v_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}} \text{ cm}^{-1}$: 3362, 1710, 1625, 1572; FAB-MS m/z (rel. int.): $507 [M+H]^+$ $[C_{26}H_{34}O_{10}+H]^+$ (4), 529 $[M+Na]^+$ (5), 327 (12), 246 (15), 245 (100), 151 (8); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6): aglycone moiety δ 1.14 (3H, s, H-10'), 1.36 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, H-1'), 1.64 (3H, s, H-8'), 1.66 (2H, m, H-4'), 1.87 (1H, m, H-5'), 2.05 (1H, m, H-5'), 2.50 (3H, s, H-9), 3.92 (1H, d, J = 11.7 Hz, H-9'), 4.18 (1H, d, J = 11.7 Hz, H-9'),4.45 (1H, br s, -OH), 4.87 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, H-2'), 4.97 (1H, br s, -OH), 5.28 (1H, t, J = 6.9 Hz, H-6'), 6.55 (1H, br s, H-8), 6.57 (1H, br s, H-6), 10.50 (1H, s, -OH); glucose moiety: δ 2.90–3.00 (2H, signal patterns unclear due to overlapping, H-2" and H-5"), 3.02-3.18 (2H, signal patterns unclear due to overlapping, H-3" and H-4"), 3.60 (1H, dd, J = 5.5 and 11.7 Hz, H-6"a), 3.70 (1H, dd, J = 2.1 and 11.7 Hz, H-6"b), 4.10 (1H, dd, J = 2.1 and 11.7 Hz, H-6"b) $d, J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}, \text{H-1}^{"}$).

7-O-β-D-Glucopyranosyl-nutanocoumarin (3). Crystals from MeOH, mp 94–95°; $[\alpha]_D^{24}-69^\circ$ (MeOH; c 0.51); UV $\lambda_{\rm max}^{\rm MeOH}$ nm (log ϵ): 318 (4.13), 210 (4.54); IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 3346, 1710, 1627, 1565; FEB-MS m/z (rel. int.): 507 [M+H]⁺ [C₂₆H₃₄O₁₀+H]⁺ (6), 529 [M+Na]⁺ (1), 327 (20), 246 (15), 245 (100), 151 (12). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6): aglycone moiety δ

1.16 (3H, s, H-10'), 1.38 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, H-1'), 1.62 (3H, s, H-8'), 1.65 (2H, m, H-4'), 1.85 (1H, m, H-5'), 2.03 (1H, m, H-5'), 2.56 (3H, s, H-9), 3.78 (1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz, H-9'), 3.87 (1H, d, J = 12.3 Hz, H-9'), 4.90 (1H, q, J = 6.6 Hz, H-2'), 5.10 (1H, t, J = 7.0 Hz, H-6'), 5.39 (1H, br s, -OH), 6.81 (1H, dd, J = 1.0 and 2.4 Hz, H-6'), 6.89 (1H, br d, J = 2.4 Hz, H-8); glucose moiety: δ 3.00–3.40 (4H, signal patterns unclear due to overlapping, H-2", H-3", H-4" and H-5"), 3.50 (1H, dd, J = 6.0 and 10.2 Hz, H-6"a), 3.69 (1H, br d, J = 10.2 Hz, H-6"b), 4.99 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, H-1").

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