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EREMOPHILANE SESQUITERPENES FROM CACALIA ROBOROWSKII

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Abstract—Nine new eremophilane sesquiterpenes were isolated from the methanol extract of the roots of Cacalia roborowskii. They were identified as 8β ,10 β -dihydroxy-6 β -methoxyleremophilenolide, 3β -acetoxyl- 8β ,10 β -dihydroxy-6 β -methoxyeremophilenolide, 3β -angeloyloxy- 8β ,10 β -dihydroxy-6 β -methoxyeremophilenolide and 8β -hydroxy-6 β -methoxyeremophil-7(11),9-dien-8,12-olide, 8-oxo-eremophila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid, 3β -acetoxyl-8-oxo-eremophila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid and 3β -(2-methylbutyryloxyl)-8-oxo-eremophila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid, respectively, based on 1D and 2D NMR experiments. © 1998 Published by Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved

INTRODUCTION

The genus Cacalia belongs to the tribe Senecioneae with more than 60 species occurring in China [1], of which ca 26 have long been used as Chinese traditional folk herbs [2]. Several species of genus cacalia have been investigated due to their antioxidant, antiradical and anti-histamine activities [3]. The presence of pyrrolizidine alkaloids and sesquiterpenes in many species of the tribe Senencioneae is well documented [4–9]. In a continuation of our study of bioactive compounds from the Cacalia genus, we report our results on the isolation and structural elucidation of new sesquiterpenes from the methanol extract of the roots of Cacalia roborowskii (Maxim) Ling, a perennial herb distributed in the Gansu, Qinghai and Sichuan provinces of China.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The root extract yielded nine new eremophilane derivatives 1–9. The IR spectra of compounds 1–5 displayed the typical unsaturated γ -lactone bond bands at 1770 and 1795 cm⁻¹. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were similar to those of eremophilenolides

isolated from Hertia cheirifolia [9, 10]. The molecular formula of compound 1 was assigned as C₁₆H₂₄O₅ by its ¹H and ¹³C NMR, DEPT and mass spectrum. In the 'H NMR spectrum the downfield shifted signal for H-8 was missing indicating that C-8 was substituted. This was supported by two doublets at δ 2.45 (d, J = 14.5 Hz) and 2.17 (d, J = 14.5 Hz) attributable to H-9a and H-9b, respectively. The long range coupling of C-6 with methoxyl group protons and H-14 in the HMBC spectrum of 1 located the methoxyl group at C-6. The missing long range coupling between H-13 and H-6 showed that the hydroxyl group at C-8 was β -oriented. The NOESY cross-peak observed between H-4 and H-9 implied a cis eremophilane. The methoxyl group at C-6 was β -equatorial as shown by the NOE cross-peak between H-6 and H-15 observed in the NOESY experiment [4, 10]. Therefore, 1 was 8β , 10β -dihydroxy- 6β -methoxy-eremophilenolide.

The ¹H and ¹³C NMR (Tables 2 and 3) and IR spectra of **2** were very close to those of **1** except for the presence of an acetoxyl and the downfield shifted H-3 agreed. The molecular formula, $C_{18}H_{26}O_7$, was deduced from its MS and NMR spectra. The long range coupling between the C-3 signal and the H-15 signal observed in the HMBC experiment, as well as the correlation between H-3 and H-4 observed in the ¹H-¹H COSY spectrum (Table 2) suggested that the acetoxyl group was at C-3. Its equatorial and β -orientation was indicated by fluctuations and confirmed by a cross placed between H-3 and H-4 in the NOESY spectrum. Compound **2** was, therefore, assigned as

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1 R = H

2 R = OAc

3 R = OAng

4 R = OMebut

5

6 R = H

7 R = OAc

8 R = OAng

9 R = OMebut

 3β -acetoxyl- 8β , 10β -dihydroxy- 6β -methoxyeremophilenolide.

Compound 3 displayed similar spectral data (Tables 2 and 3) to those of 1 and 2 except for the presence of an angeloyloxy group in 3 instead of the acetate in 2. The stereochemistry was deduced from this NOESY experiment. Thus, compound 3 was 3β -angeloyoxyl- 8β , 10β -dihydroxy- 6β -methoxyeremophilenolide.

The spectral data of 4 was very close to those of 2 and 3. The localization of a 2-methylbutyryl at C-3 was again deduced from the ${}^{1}H^{-1}H$ COSY and HMBC experiments. Hence, compound 4 was 3β -(2-methylbutyryloxyl)- 8β , 10β -dihydroxy- 6β -methoxyeremophilenolide.

The molecular formula of compound 5, C₁₆H₂₂O₄

was deduced from the MS. The 1H and 13C NMR and DEPT data resembled those of 1-4 and 8β -hydroxyeremophil-7(11),9-dien-8,12-olide [11]. In the ¹³C NMR spectrum the oxygen-bearing quaternary carbon ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 75 in 1-4) was missing in agreement with the absence of free alcohol (3450 cm⁻¹) in the IR spectrum. An olefin proton signal at δ_H 5.64 (d, J = 1.6) assigned to H-9 was observed in the 1H NMR spectrum. In the HMBC experiment the long range correlation between H-9 and C-5 and C-7, and between H-14 and C-10 suggested a Δ^g double-bond. The localization of the methoxyl group at C-6 was deduced from the long range correlation between C-6 and the 6-OCH₃ protons and H-14 protons obscured in the HMBC spectrum. The stereochemistry was deduced from a NOESY experiment. Compound 5 was, therefore, 8β -hydroxy- 6β -methoxyeremophil-7(11),9-dien-8,12-olide.

The IR spectra of compounds 6-9 showed the characteristic $\alpha, \beta, \alpha', \beta'$ -unsaturated ketone bonds peaks at 1664, 1632 and 1619 cm⁻¹ [12, 13].

Compound 6 was obtained as colorless gum. Its spectral data were similar to those of 8-oxo-eremophila-6,9-diene derivatives reported in the literature [12–15]. A comparison of the ¹H NMR spectral data with those of the corresponding 1β -hydroxy derivative [12] indicated that the C-1 position was not substituted. The HMQC, HMBC and NOESY experiments supported the structure of 6 as 8-oxo-eremphila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid.

The spectra of 7-9 were similar to those of 6. The H-3 signal was shifted downfield and additional ester signals appeared for acetate (7), angelate (8) or methylbutyrate (9), respectively. The stereochemistry was deduced from NOESY experiments.

EXPERIMENTAL

General

OR: CHCl₃; IR: KBr; ¹H and ¹³C NMR and 2D NMR; CHCl₃ with TMS as int. standard; FAB-MS: VQ Quattro mass spectrometer.

Plant material

The roots of *C. roborowskii* (Maxim) Ling were collected in Linxia County, Gansu province, P.R. China in August 1993. The plant was identified by Dr J. Ma from the Department of Biology, Lanzhou University, where a voucher is deposited.

Extraction and isolation

The air dried and ground roots (750 g) of the plant were placed in a chromatography column (10 cm \times 1 m) and eluted at room temp. with MeOH for 3 days. The MeOH was evaporated *in vacuo* until the vol. was reduced to 1 l, then cooled to -15° for 3 h. Filtration and evaporation afforded 120 g of residue, 80 g of

Table 1. ¹H and ¹³C NMR chemical shift assignments and HMBC correlations of 1

Н	$\hat{\delta}_{H}$	C	δ_{C}	H-13C long range correlation
1	1.63-1.71 m	1	34.5 <i>t</i>	
1′	1.39-1.43 m			
2	1.59-1.62 m	2	21.8 t	
2'	1.301.34 m			
3	1.36-1.38 m	3	29.6 t	H-15
4	1.21-1.25 m	4	33.5 d	H-14, H-15
		5	47.7 s	H-6 β , H-9, H-14, H-15
6	4.39 s	6	80.6 d	OCH ₃ , H-14
		7	153.4 s	H-13, H-9
		8	103.7 s	H-9, H-9', H-6β
9	2.45 d (14.5)	9	44.9 t	
9′	2.17 d(14.5)			
	, ,	10	75.1 s	H-6β, H-9, H-14
		11	129.4 s	H-13
		12	170.7 s	H-13
13	1.92 s	13	8.7 q	
14	1.17 s	14	$11.0^{'}q$	
15	0.82 d (6.3)	15	$16.4 \frac{1}{q}$	
OCH,	3.32 s	6-OCH ₃	57.8 q	$H-6\beta$

Multiplicities were determined by DEPT.

which were chromatographed over silica gel H (600 g) using petrol-Et₂O (1:2) \rightarrow Et₂O \rightarrow Et₂O-EtOAc (8:2 to 1:1) as eluent. Based on the differences in composition exhibited by TLC, 25 crude fractions were obtained. Fraction 4 (700 mg) was subjected to CC on silica gel H (70 g), eluting with the mixture of petrol-Me₂CO containing amounts of Me₂CO to afford compounds 1 (20 mg), 2 (30 mg) and 3 (15 mg). Fraction 2 (300 mg) was chromatographied on silica gel H (30 g) and eluted with a hexane-EtOAc (7:3 → 1:1) gradient yielding 4 (20 mg), 5 (60 mg) and several fatty acids. Fraction 17 (2 g) was chromatographed on silica gel H with a mixture of EtOAc-Et₂O as eluent to yield four Frs: CR 17-1 (600 mg), CR 17-2 (200 mg), CR 17-3 (250 mg) and CR 17-4 (100 mg). Fraction CR 17-1 was purified by CC over silica gel H using the mixture of petrol-Me₂CO (4:2) or CH₂Cl₂-Et₂O- Me_2CO (4:1:0.5) as an eluent to give 6 (40 mg), 7 (20 mg), 8 (25 mg) and 9 (18 mg).

8β , 10β -Dihydroxy- 6β -methoxyeremophilenalide (1)

Amorphous solid, $C_{16}H_{24}O_5$, $[\alpha]_D$: +138.4° (CHCl₃, ca 1.1). FABMS (70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 296 [M]⁺(2), 278 [M—H₂O]⁺ (8), 264 [M—OCH₃-1]⁻ (42), 246 [M—CH₃OH—H₂O]⁺(36), 222 (22), 213 (18), 204 (67), 154 (80), 134 (28), 121 (26), 97 (100), 91 (36), 83 (50), 67 (40); IR v_{max} (KBr) cm⁻¹: 3433, 3258 (OH), 1770 (γ -lactone), 1319, 1161, 1081, 735; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Table 1.

 3β -Acetoxyl- 8β , 10β -dihydroxy- 6β -methoxy eremophilenolide (2)

Gum, $C_{18}H_{26}O_7$, $[\alpha]_D$: +112.7° (CHCl₃ ca 0.2). FABMS (70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 354 $[M]^+(1)$, 336

[M—H₂O]⁺(5), 322 [M—CH₃OH]⁺ (4), 304 [M—CH₃OH—H₂O]⁺ (20), 294 (10), 276 (10), 262 (20), 154 (100), 139 (22), 113 (12), 95 (70), 83 (30), 43 (50); IR v_{max} (KBr) cm⁻¹: 3467, 3254 (OH), 1762 (γ -lactone), 1733 (CH₃CO—), 1256 (C—O), 1160, 1099, 737; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Tables 2 and 3.

 3β -Angeloyloxy- 8β , 10β -dihydroxy- 6β -methoxyeremophilenolide (3)

Gum, $C_{21}H_{30}O_7$, $[\alpha]_D$: +119.8° (CHCl₃, ca 4.3). FABMS (70 eV) m/z: 376 [M—H2O]⁻ (4), 346 (45), 344 [M—CH₃OH-H₂O]⁺ (48), 318 (7), 258 (18), 244 (30), 154 (90), 139 (20), 124 (20), 95 (60), 83 [R—CO]⁺ (100), 55 [RCO—CO]⁺ (60); IR v_{max} (KBr) cm⁻¹: 3435, 3258, 1768, 1680, 1640, 1241; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Tables 2 and 3.

 3β -(2-Methylbutyroyloxy)- 8β , 10β -dihydroxy- 6β -methoxyeremophilenolide (4)

Gum, $C_{21}H_{32}O_7$, $[\alpha]_D$: $+103.9^\circ$ (CHCl₃, ca 0.9). FABMS (70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 396 [M]⁺ (0.5), 378 [M—H₂O]⁺ (3), 364 [M—CH₃OH]⁺ (5), 346 (10), 294 (5), 276 (10), 262 (15), 244 (20), 154 (80), 139 (25), 123 (21), 95 (60), 85 $[C_4H_9CO]^+$ (70), 83 (28), 57 $[C_4H_9CO—CO]^+$ (100); IR ν_{max} (KBr) cm⁻¹: 3467, 3254 (OH), 1764 (γ -lactone), 1736 (RCO—), 1250 (C—O), 1140, 1096, 737; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Tables 2 and 3.

8β-Hydroxy-6β-methoxyeremophil-7(11),9-dien-8,12-olide (5)

Gum, $C_{16}H_{22}O_4$, $[\alpha]_D$: + 41.5° (CHCl₃, ca 2.5). FABMS (70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 278[M]⁺ (4), 261 (21),

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Table 2.	'H NMR	chemical	shift	assignments	of com	pounds 2	2-5 in	CDCl ₃

Н	2*	3†	4 ‡	5
1	1.54 m	1.65 m	1.68 m	2.15 m
	1.79 m	$1.82 \ m$	1.85 m	
2	1.36 m	1.34 m	1.37 m	1.68 m
	1.95 m	$1.95 \ m$	$2.00 \ m$	$1.79 \ m$
3	4.9 dt (3.0, 1.8)	4.99 dt (3.0, 1.8)	4.90 dt (1.8, 3.0)	$1.40 \ m$
4	1.34 dq	1.42 dq	1.40 dq	1.41 dq
6	4.24 s	4.24 s	4.21 s	4.18 q (1.3)
9	2.32 d (14.5)	2.34 d(14.5)	2.33 d (14.5)	5.64 d (1.6)
	2.22 d (14.5)	2.27 d (14.5)	2.24 d (14.5)	
13	1.93 s	1.93 s	1.93 s	1.98 d (1.5)
14	1.39 s	1.40 s	1.41 s	0.96 s
15	0.93 d(6.8)	0.94 d(6.8)	0.95 d (6.8)	1.06 d (6.8)
OCH:	3.32 s	3.32 s	3.32 s	3.41 s

^{*} OAc: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 2.08 (COCH₃).

Table 3. ¹³C NMR chemical shift assignments of compounds **2–5** in CDCl₃

C	2*	3†	4 [†]	5
1	27.4 t§	27.4 t	27.5 t	36.0 t
2	30.0 t	30.1 t	30.0 t	26.9 t
3	71.5 d	71.9 d	71.8 d	32.4 t
4	36.5 d	36.7 d	36.6 d	44.6 d
5	47.6 s	47.6 s	47.5 s	51.0 s
6	79.9 d	$80.0 \ d$	79.9 d	85.6 d
7	152.9 s	153.1 s	152.9 s	152.1 s
8	103.5 s	103.6 s	103.4 s	$100.9 \ s$
9	44.5 (44.4 1	44.5 1	118.0 <i>d</i>
10	74.7 s	74.8 s	74.7 s	157.1 s
11	129.7 s	129.7 s	129.8 s	122.5 s
12	170.3 s	170.6 s	170.4 s	171.2 s
13	8.7 q	8.7 q	8.7 q	$8.1 \; q$
14	12.5 q	12.6 q	12.6 q	$17.9 \ q$
15	12.9 q	$13.0 \ q$	$13.0 \ q$	11.6 q
OCH_3	57.9 q	$58.0 \ q$	57.9 q	57.4 g

^{*} OAc: $\delta_{\rm C}$ 177.1 s, 21.3 q.

246 [M—CH₃OH]⁺ (100), 231 [246—CH₃]⁺ (30), 229 (40), 203 (80), 173 (40), 159 (40), 145 (45), 135 (70), 115 (35), 91 (66), 83 (50), 67(40). IR ν_{max} (KBr) cm⁻¹; 3254 (OH), 1765 (γ-lactone), 1680; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Tables 2 and 3.

8-Oxo-eremophila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid (6)

Gum, $C_{15}H_{20}O_3$, $[\alpha]_D$: -11.6° (CHCl₃, ca 2.9). FAB-MS m/z (rel. int): 249 $[M+1]^+$ (15), 233 $[M-CH_3+1]^+$ (5), 231 $[M-H_2O+1]^+$ (10), 204 $[M-CO_2]^+$ (15), 203 $[M-COOH]^+$ (85), 175 (25),

149 (20), 147 (30), 133 (35), 91 (45), 69 (45), 57 (100), 55 (97); IR $v_{\rm max}$ (KBr) cm⁻¹: 2600–3300 (br, bonded OH), 1710 (COOH), 1664, 1632, 1619 ($\alpha, \beta, \alpha', \beta'$ -unsaturated ketone), 915, 732; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Table 4.

3β-Acetoxy-8-oxo-eremophila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid (7)

Gum, $C_{17}H_{22}O_5$, $[\alpha]_D$: $+28.6^\circ$ (CHCl₃, ca 0.6). FAB-MS m/z (rel. int.): 247 [M—CH₃COOH + 1]⁺ (15), 229 [M—CH₃COOH-H₂O+1]⁺ (25), 201 [M—CH₃COOH—COOH]⁺ (55), 175 (10), 159 (15), 147 (20), 133 (30), 91 (35), 69 (40), 57 (78), 55 (90), 43 (100); IR $\nu_{\rm max}$ (KBr) cm⁻¹: 2500–3400 (br, bonded OH). 1738 (CH₃CO), 1665, 1636, 1615 ($\alpha,\beta,\alpha',\beta'$ -unsaturated ketone). 1710 (COOH), 1241 (C—O), 980, 915, 732; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Tables 5 and 6.

3\$\beta-Angeloyloxy-8-oxo-cremophila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid (8)

Oil, $C_{20}H_{26}O_5$, $[\alpha]_D$: $+38.5^\circ$ (CHCl₃, ca 1.2). EIMS (70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 346 [M]+ (1), 246 [M—angelic acid]- (50), 228 [246—H₂O]+ (25), 202 [246—CO₂]+ (80), 201 (60), 173 (32), 135 (36), 115 (50), 91 (74), 83 [C₄H₇CO]+ (100), 77 (50), 55 (60); IR ν_{max} (KBr) cm⁻¹: 2500–3400 (br, bonded OH), 1720 (ester carbonyl), 1710 (COOH), 1665, 1634, 1620 (α , β , α' , β' -unsaturated ketone), 1241 (C—O), 980, 915, 733; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Tables 5 and 6.

3\(\beta\)-(2-methylbutyroyloxy)-8-oxo-eremophila-6,9-dien-12-oic acid (9)

Oil, $C_{20}H_{28}O_5$, $[\alpha]_D$: $+22.4^\circ$ (CHCl₃, ca 4.6). E1MS (70 eV) m/z (rel. int.): 348 [M]⁺ (0.5), 246 [M—2-methylbutyric acid]⁺ (40), 228 [246[cg4]H₂O]⁺ (58), 202 [246—CO₂]⁺ (60), 200 (80), 187 (65), 173 (62), 162

[†] OAng: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.09 (q, J = 7.3, 1H), 2.01 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 1.85 (s, 3H).

[‡] OMebut: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.21 (*d*, J = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (*t*, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H).

[†] OAng: δ_C 167.2 s, 127.4 s, 141.6 d, 20.89, 15.7 q.

[‡] OMebut: δ_C 175.9 s, 41.8 d, 26.7 t, 11.6 q, 16.8 q.

[§] Multiplicities were determined on the basis of DEPT spectra.

Table 4. 1 H and 13 C NMR spectral data and HMBC correlations of compound 6 (CDCl $_{3}$, 400 MHz)

C	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	¹ H- ¹³ C long range correlations
1	32.9 t	2.43 m, 1.99 m	H-9
2	28.1 t	2.41 m, 1.57 m	H-1a, H-1b
3	30.2 t	1.50 m	H-15, H-1a, H-1b
4	38.9 d	1.40 m	H-14, H-15
5	44.3 s		H-6, H-9, H-1a, H-14, H-15
6	152.9 d	7.01 s	H-11, H-14
7	136.0 s		H-9, H-11, H-13
8	186.3 s		H-6, H -11,
9	123.6 d	6.15 s	H-1b, H-1a
10	$170.3 \ s$		H-6, H-1b, H-1a, H-14
11	41.8 d	$3.78 \ q \ (7.0)$	H-6, H-13
12	177.4 s	• • •	H-11, H-13
13	15.8 g	1.38 d(7.0)	H-11
14	17.2 q	1.15 s	H-6, H-4
15	16.4 q	1.08 d (6.0)	H-4

Table 5. ¹H NMR spectral data of compounds 7-9 (CDCl₃, 400 MHz)

Н	7*	8 †	9 ‡
1	2.70 m	2.68 m	2.67 m
	$2.33 \ m$	2.33 m	2.32 m
2	2.21 m	$2.20 \ m$	2.13 m
	1.64 m	1.66 m	1.69 m
3	5.07 (2.7)	5.14 (2.8)	5.05 (2.8)
4	$1.70 \ m$	1.72 m	1.75 m
6	$6.95 \ s$	6.94 s	6.93 s
9	$6.21 \ s$	$6.20 \ s$	6.19 s
11	$3.75 \ q \ (7.1)$	$3.74 \ q$	3.74 d(7.1)
13	1.37 d(7.1)	1.37 d (6.8)	1.36 d(2.1)
14	1.34 s	1.36 s	1.34 s
15	1.17 d(7.0)	1.21 d (6.9)	1.19 d(7.0)

^{*} OAc: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 2.01.

[†] OAng: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.13 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, CH), 2.05 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, CH₃), 1.97 (s, CH₃).

[‡] OMebut: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 0.94 (t, CH₃), 1.23 (d, CH₃), 2.00 (m, CH).

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Table 6 13C NMR s	pectral data and HMBC	correlations of com	mounds 2-4 (CDCl-	400 MHz)
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C	2*	3†	4‡	¹ H- ¹³ C long range correlation
1	28.1 <i>t</i> §	28.2 <i>t</i>	28.0 t	Н-9
2	32.7 t	32.7 1	32.7 t	H-la, H-lb
3	73.0 d	72.3 d	72.6 d	H-15, H-1a, 1b
4	42.9 d	42.9 d	42.9 d	H-14, H-15
5	43.8 s	43.8 s	43.8 s	H-6, H-9, H-1a, H-14, H-15
6	151.7 d	151.8 d	151.7 s	H-11, H-14
7	135.6 s	135.7 s	135.7 s	H-9, H-11, H-13
8	185.8 s	185.9 s	185.9 s	H-6, H-11
9	124.2 d	124.1 d	124.2 d	H-1a, 1b
10	168.6 s	168.7 s	168.8 s	H-1a, 1b, H-6, H-14
11	38.9 d	38.9 d	38.8 d	H-6, H-13
12	$177.0 \ s$	177.1 s	177.1 s	H-11, H-13
13	$15.8 \ q$	15.7 q	15.7 q	H-11
14	$20.1 \frac{1}{q}$	20.2 q	20.2 q	H-4, H-6
15	$12.4 \frac{1}{q}$	12.5 q	$12.5 \frac{1}{q}$	H-4

^{*} OAc: $\delta_{\rm C}$ 170.3 s (CO), 21.2 q (CH₃).

(55), 148 (45), 131 (20), 115 (20), 91 (30), 85 $[C_4H_9CO]^+$ (80), 77 (50), 68 (30), 57 $[C_4H_9CO-CO]^+$ (100), 55 (50); IR ν_{max} (KBr) cm⁻¹: 2500–3400 (*br*, bonded OH), 1734 (C_5H_9CO), 1710 (COOH), 1665, 1634, 1620 ($\alpha,\beta,\alpha',\beta'$ -unsaturated ketone), 1240 (C—O), 980, 915, 732; ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Tables 5 and 6.

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[†] OAng: δ_C 167.2 s (CO), 127.5 s (C =), 139.2 d (CH), 20.9 q (CH₃), 15.8 q (CH₃).

[‡] OMebut: δ_C 175.9 s (CO), 41.8 d (CH), 26.8 t (CH₂), 11.7 q (CH₃), 16.8 q (CH₃).

Multiplicities were determined on the DEPT spectra.