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Two secoiridoid glucosides, 2"-epifraxamoside (1) and demethyl-2"-epifraxamoside (2), as well as the secoiridoid, jasminanhydride (3) were isolated from the aerial parts of *Jasminum grandiflorum*.

#### Chemotypes in Achillea collina based on sesquiterpene lactone profile

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The lactone profile of the studied taxa of *Achillea collina* indicated a significant variability. The described chemotypes could be due to the regional ecological specificity and/or possible hybridization with other *Achillea* species.

Type	L1	L2	L3	L4	L5	L6
Eu	+	+	-	-	-	-
Ger	+	+	+	+	-	-
Gu:						
Mat	-	+	-	-	+	-
Ach	-	-	+	-	-	-
Azu	-	-	-	+	+	-
Bis	-	-	-	+	-	-

# Bufadienolides from the southern African *Drimia depressa* (Hyacinthaceae: Urgineoideae)

pp 1731-1734

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Two bufadienolides,  $3\beta$ , $16\beta$ -dihydroxy- $5\beta$ -bufa-20,22-dienolide and  $16\beta$ -hydroxy- $5\beta$ -bufa-20,22-dienolide- $3\beta$ -O- $\beta$ -D-galactoside, have been isolated from bulbs of the poisonous South African geophyte *Drimia depressa* (Hyacinthaceae).

#### Ryanodane diterpenes from two Erythroxylum species

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Ryanodane diterpenes, named 14-O-methyl-ryanodanol and ryanodanol, were isolated from ripe fruit of *Erythroxylum passerinum*. Compound **2** was also found in the leaves of this species, while **1** was obtained from the leaves of *E. nummularia*. Compound **1** showed insecticidal activity against *Aedes aegypti* larvae.

# Carotenoids with a 5,6-dihydro-5,6-dihydroxy- $\beta$ -end group, from yellow sweet potato "Benimasari", *Ipomoea batatas* LAM

pp 1740-1745

Takashi Maoka\*, Naoshige Akimoto, Koji Ishiguro, Masaru Yoshinaga, Makoto Yoshimoto

Four carotenoids, named ipomoeaxanthins A (1), B (2), C1 (3) and C2 (4), were isolated from the flesh of yellow sweet potato "Benimasari", *Ipomoea batatas*.

#### Chirality and biosynthesis of lilac compounds in Actinidia arguta flowers

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Deuterium labelling and enantioselective GC-MS of 8-hydroxylinalool, 8-oxolinalool, the lilac aldehydes, alcohols, and alcohol epoxides from *Actinidia arguta* flowers identified their biosynthetic pathways and the highly enantioselective steps therein.

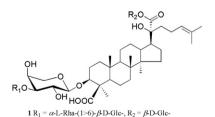


## Dammarane-type glycosides from Gynostemma pubescens

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Zhengyi Yang, Qiuqun Chen, Lihong Hu\*

Eight triterpene saponins were isolated from an ethanol extract of the aerial parts of *Gynostemma pubescens*. Their structural elucidation was accomplished by extensive spectroscopic methods including 1D and 2D NMR experiments, HRESIMS analysis, as well as by chemical degradation.



# Pensteminoside, an unusual catalpol-type iridoid from *Penstemon gentianoides* HBK (Plantaginaceae)

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The investigation of *Penstemon gentianoides*, afforded, in addition to plantarenaloside (2), globularisicin (3), luteolin (4), diosmetin (5), verbascoside (6) and martynoside (7); an unusual catalpol-type iridoid, pensteminoside [8-*O-trans*-cinnamoyl, 6-hydroxy, 1-[β-D-glucopyranoside-6'-*O*-((4"-hydroxy)-cinnamoyl)]-catalpol (1)]. Its structure was elucidated by spectroscopic analyses, including high field NMR spectroscopy.

#### **PHENOLICS**

#### Antifungal dibenzofuran bis(bibenzyl)s from the liverwort Asterella angusta

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Bioactivity-guided separation of an antifungal extract from the liverwort *Asterella angusta* (Aytoniaceae) afforded four bis(bibenzyl)s (1–4) and six known ones. All bis(bibenzyl)s exhibited moderate inhibitory effects against the common clinical pathogenic fungus, *Candida albicans*.

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#### Rare biscoumarins and a chlorogenic acid derivative from Erycibe obtusifolia

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Jian Liu, Ziming Feng, Jianfu Xu, Yinghong Wang, Peicheng Zhang\*

Four compounds including two symmetrical biscoumarins were isolated from the roots of *Erycibe obtusifolia*. Their structures were elucidated by spectroscopic methods.

#### An unusual C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> linked flavonoid from *Miconia cabucu* (Melastomataceae)

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The flavone dimer, 5-hydroxy-4',7-dimethoxyflavone-(6-*C*-6")-5"-hydroxy-3"',4"', 7"-trimethoxyflavone, was isolated from a methanol extract of leaves from *Miconia cabucu*. Its structure was established on the basis of 1D and 2D NMR and HRTOFMS spectroscopic analyses.

$$CH_3O \longrightarrow OCH_3$$
 
$$OH \longrightarrow OCH_3$$
 
$$OCH_3$$
 
$$OCH_3$$

#### Effects of partial enzymic degradation of sugar beet pectin on oxidative coupling of pectin-linked ferulates in vitro

Roula M. Abdel-Massih, Elias A.-H. Baydoun\*, Keith W. Waldron, Christopher T. Brett

Cross-linking of beet pectin after treatment with different enzymes showed a decrease in molecular size after α-arabinosidase and polygalacturonase treatment. Ratios of different dehydrodiferulates formed were studied.

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#### **ALKALOIDS**

#### Alkaloids from Galanthus nivalis

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Five compounds:11-O-(3'-hydroxybutanoyl)hamayne (1); 3,11-O-(3',3"dihydroxybutanovl)hamayne (2); 3-O-(2"-butenoyl)-11-O-(3'-hydroxybutanoyl)hamayne (3); 3,11,3''-O-(3',3'',3'''-trihydroxybutanoyl)hamayne (4); 2-O-(3'-acetoxybutanoyl)lycorine (5) together with hamayne, lycorine, tazettine, ungeremine and ismine were isolated from Galanthus nivalis.

$$1_{R_{1}} = 0 \xrightarrow{OH} 0 \xrightarrow{A_{R_{2}}} 0 \xrightarrow{OH} 0 \xrightarrow{R_{2}} 0 \xrightarrow{OH} 0 \xrightarrow{A_{R_{2}}} 0 \xrightarrow{OH} 0 \xrightarrow{OH}$$

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#### Iridoids from Scutellaria albida ssp. albida

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Three iridoid glycosides, 6'-O-E-p-coumaroylgardoside (1), 6'-O-p-E-coumaroyl-8-epiloganic acid (2) and scutelloside (3) were isolated from the aerial parts of Scutellaria albida subsp. albida, in addition to an anomeric mixture in equilibrium of one iridoid aglycone (4, 4a), nine iridoid glycosides (5-13), four known phenylethanoid glycosides (14-17) and six known phenolic derivatives (18-23).

## Phenolic glycosides from Foeniculum vulgare fruit and evaluation of antioxidative activity

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Simona De Marino, Fulvio Gala, Nicola Borbone, Franco Zollo, Sara Vitalini, Francesco Visioli, Maria Iorizzi

Two diglucoside stilbene trimers and a benzoisofuranone derivative were isolated from Foeniculum vulgare fruits, together with nine known compounds. Their structures were elucidated by spectral methods including 1D, 2D NMR and MS. The antioxidant activity was tested using three methods: DPPH, total antioxidant capacity and assay of lipid peroxidation.

Foeniculoside X  $R=Glc I \rightarrow Glc R'=H$ Foeniculoside XI R=Glc R'=Glc II

# An alkaloid, two conjugate sesquiterpenes and a phenylpropanoid from *Pachypodanthium confine* Engl. and Diels

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Two conjugate sesquiterterpenes, a phenylpropanoid and an aporphine alkaloid were isolated in addition to several known compounds from cyclohexane, dichloromethane and alkaloid extracts of the bark of *Pachypodanthium confine*. The structures of these compounds were established based on interpretation of their high resolution NMR (HSQC, HMBC, COSY and NOESY) spectral data.

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