Mostueatecine A and B: Two Indole Alkaloids and Mostueatecine C, One Triterpene from Mostuea batesii

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Abstract:
Two new indole alkaloid derivatives namely Mostueatecine A (1), Mostueatecine B (2) and one new triterpene derivative Mostueatecine C (3) were isolated from the stem and leaves of Mostuea batesii, along with five known compounds: Camptothecine (4), β-amyrin-3-O-glucopyranoside (5), Oleanolic acid (6), 2α,3α,19α-trihydroxy-24-norurs-4(23),12-dien-28-oic acid (7) and Saccharose(8). The structures of these compounds were elucidated using a detailed analysis of their HRESI-MS, 1D and 2D NMR spectroscopic data. Some of these compounds were evaluated in vitro for their antimicrobial activities against a wide range of microorganisms. The results showed that none of them possess noticeable activity.

Keywords: Mostuea batesii, Loganiaceae, Indolic Alkaloids, Mostueatecine, Triterpenoids, Antimicrobial Activity

1. Introduction

The genus Mostuea belongs to the family of Loganiaceae and comprises many species among which most are present in Africa and Madagascar such as: M. batesii Baker, M. thomsonii, M. brunonis Didr., M. hiersuta, M. surinamensis Benth. and M. gabonica Baillon [1], and one species (Mostuea surinamensis) is common in northern part of South America.

The species Mostuea batesii grows primarily in the secondary rainforest, and is distributed in central Africa, from Cameroon through the south of the Central African Republic, Gabon and the Democratic Republic of Congo [2]. This plant is widely used in traditional medicine in most of these countries. Sure enough, grated roots of M. batesii are used in Gabon to dispel sleep or as an aphrodisiac, while in the Central African Republic, the roots decoctions are given to children as an anthelmintic [1]. This plant is also believed to possess hallucinogenic properties, and its prolonged use have been associated with cerebral disorder or schizophrenia [3, 4]. Furthermore, experimentally, subcutaneous administration of theroot-bark extracts displayed a mean lethal dose of 0.25 g/kg in mice, with death arising through a phase of hyperexcitability [1]. In anaesthetized dogs, an intravenous dose of up to 0.10 g/kg produced hypertension, a short phase of tachycardia and hyperpnoea followed by cardiac and respiratory depression [1]. This might explain why the plant is also known as Mostuea stimulans A. [1].

Previous phytochemical screening of this species indicated the presence of indole alkaloids, 0.15% in the root wood and 0.33% in the root bark, with the root bark alkaloids related to sempervirin and gelsemine [1]. Furthermore, several cytotoxic indole alkaloids including camptothecin 20-O-β-D-glucoside, deoxypumiloside, strictosamide and 2’-O-acetylstictosamide have been isolated from M. brunonis [5]. However, apart from the above mentioned studies, the
chemical constituents of Mostuea batesii have not been studied enough to the best of our knowledge.

As part of a continuous effort to discover new antimicrobial antioxidant, anticancer, antimalarial and antiviral agents from Cameroon medicinal plants, two new indole alkaloids, namely mostueathecine A (1), mostueatecine B (2) and a new triterpene mostueathecine C (3), together with five known compounds; Camptothecine(4), β-aminin-3-O-glucopyranoside (5), Oleanolic acid (6), 2α,3α,19α-trihydroxy-24-norurs-4(23),12-dien-28-oic acid(7) and Saccharose (8) have been isolated from M. batesii. In this paper, we report the isolation, structure elucidation of these compounds and evaluation of the antimicrobial activities of some of them.

2. Results and Discussion

The dried roots, leaves and stems of Mostuea batesii was extracted each with a methanol at room temperature. Filtration and vacuum concentration of the resulting solution led to dark greenish extract. Those crude extracts were subjected to silica gel column chromatography to give compounds 1-3 namely Mostueathecine A, B and C respectively along with five known compounds: camptothecine (4), β-aminin-3-O-glucopyranoside (5), oleanolic acid (6), 2α,3α,19α-trihydroxy-24-norurs-4(23),12-dien-28-oic acid (7) and Saccharose (8).

Compound 1 was obtained as yellow powder from EtOAc/MeOH (2:8) fraction of the MeOH leaves crude extract of Mostuea batesii. It reacted positively to Dragendorff’s reagent giving an orange color, suggesting that, this compound is an alkaloid. Its molecular formula was determined to be C_{26}H_{30}O_{26}N_{2} from a pseudo molecular ion peak [M+H]^{+} at m/z 499.3425 (C_{26}H_{31}O_{26}N_{2}) in the high resolutionElectro Spray Ionization (HRESI). Thus compound 1 contains 13 double bond equivalents. The 13C (table 1) and Distortionless Enhancement by Polarization Transfer (DEPT-NMR) Spectroscopy data of compound 1 showed two groups of carbon signals. The first one, contains 6 carbons signals all bearing an oxygen atom among which five methines and one methylene indicating that compound 1 possesses a sugar unit equivalent to glucopyranoside with β configuration by the coupling constant (7.3Hz) of the anomeric proton [5, 7]. The second set has twenty carbons signals including 5 methylenes (among which one sp² signal at δ_C 119 and one oxygenated sp³ carbon signal at δ_C 77.2), 8 methines (one sp² bearing on oxygen at δ_C 146.7) and 7 quaternary carbon among which one lactam carbonyl at δ_C 163.3 implying strictosamide skeleton for compound 1 [8]. The presence of the ABM aromatic coupling system indicates that ring A is 1, 2, 3-trisubstituted. According to this fact, the sugar moiety can be located on this ring. At this stage, his position can be on C-9 or C-12. This position was established using the HMBC correlation spectrum which showed on one hand, cross peaks between the aromatic triplet at δ_H 7.32 and C-12 (δ_C 135.5) and C-8 (118.6) and on the other hand, between the aromatic doublet at δ_H 7.23 and the quaternary carbon C-13 at δ_C 12126.9, by this manner, the glucosyl moiety was connected to the aglycone at the position C-12. Thus compound 1 was established to be C-12-O-glucopyranoside of Strictosamide to which the name Mostueathecine A was given.

Compound 2 was obtained as white needles from the EtOAc/MeOH (7:13) fraction of the MeOH crude extract of Mostuea batesii stems. The positive reaction to Dragendorff’s tests reagent giving an orange color, indicated the alkaloid nature of compound 2. Its molecular formula C_{38}H_{46}O_{19}N_{2}, was deduced from HRESI mass spectrum which exhibit the molecular ion pic at m/z 834.3456 (calc C_{38}H_{46}O_{19}N_{2}, 834.3426), corresponding to 17 degrees of unsaturation. In accordance with its molecular formula, all the 38 carbons were well exhibited in the 13C NMR spectrum (table 1) of compound 2, which were sorted by DEPT and HSQC experiments as two set of carbon signals. The first one contains twenty carbons signals including 3 methylenes (among which one sp³ signal at δ_C 118), 6 methines (one sp² bearing on oxygen at δ_C 103.9) and 10 quaternary carbon among which on lactam carbonyl at δ_C 163.8 and one lactone carbonyl at δ_C 172.8, implying naucellinic B skeleton for compound 2 [9]. The second set has18 carbons signals all bearing an oxygen atom among which 12 methines, 5 methylenes and one quaternary carbon indicating that compound 2 possess in his structure, three sugars unit. Between the 18 carbons signals: we have 2 anomeric carbons, among which one quaternary at (δ_C 103.9) and one methyne at (δ_C 97.3). The analysis of these 18 signals indicated that the tree sugar were constituted of one glucopyranosyl unit linked to the furanosyl moiety with the sequenceβ-D-furanosyl-(1-6)-β-D-glucopyranosyl, and one furanosyl unit [10]. The presence of the ABM aromatic coupling system indicatesth that ring A is 1,2,3-trisubstituted. In orordo give de position of these sugar moieties, we use the HMBC spectrum. The glucopyranosyl-furanosyl moiety is positioning at C-12 in consideration of the HMBC correlation cross peaks which shows cross peaks between the anomeric proton H-1‘(δ_H 8.581) and C-12 (δ_C 149.6) in one hand, and between the aromatic triplet at δ_H 8.15 and C-12 (δ_C 149.6) and C-8 (δ_C 120.4), in the other hand. The remaining furanosyl moiety has been positioned at C-21 regarding the HMBC cross peaks between H-21 at δ_H 5.38 and the oxygenmethylene of the furanosyl moiety at (δ_C 69.7).The proton and carbon signals of compound 2 (table 1) were assigned in detail according to analyses of 1H-1H COSY, HSQC, HMBC and comparison with reported values [7, 11] and was named Mostueathecine B.

Compound 3, was isolated as amorphous colorless powder from the mixture of n-Hexane-EtOAc (13:7). It showed positive control to the Lieberman-Burchard test suggesting that it is a triterpene. Its molecular formula, C_{38}H_{46}O_{8}, corresponding to nine degree of unsaturation was deduced from HR-MS which showed in positive mode the protonated molecular ion peak [M+H]^{+} at m/z 501.4266. The broad band decoupled 13C NMR spectrum of this compound (table 1) exhibited 30 carbon signals, which were assigned with the
assistance of HSQC and DEPT techniques as seven sp³ methyl groups amongst which six appear as a singlet (δC 16.7; 17.6; 24.6; 26.3; 25.4 and 27.9), and one as a doublet at δC 16.5; nine methine including two oxygenated sp³ methine (δC 68.7; 72.1) and three sp² signals (δC 127.2; 134.2; 138.4); five sp³ methylene. The remaining signals are those of quaternary carbon including two carbylone, one attributed to a ketone moiety (δC 207.7), and the other to and acid group at (δC 179.34) and one sp² C=O signal at δC 141.1. All this data are in concordance with the α-amyrine skeleton [12, 13].The presence of only one methyl doublet indicates that C-19 was oxygenated. The position of the two C=C double bonds was assigned to be Δ² and Δ³, the ketone at C-3, the acid group at position 28 and the two remaining hydroxyl groups were established to be at C-1 and C-11 respectively. This was done using HMBC and COSY correlations (figure 2) and biogenetic consideration. This compound was named Mostueatene C.

All the solid compounds tested1-4, were active on at least six of the seven microbial strains with MICs ranging from 0.52mg/mL to 33.33mg/mL. The most active was 4 with MICs ranging from 0.52mg/mL to 16.67mg/mL. The MICs of gentamicin were ranging from 0.25 to 16μg/mL and that of which of fluconazole was 2μg/mL. All compounds presented a MICs values below 8mg/mL on at least 2 strains demonstrating that each of them has antimicrobial properties according to [14], while 4 is noteworthy with two MICs values below 1mg/ml on E. coli BL21 and on Candida krusei.

Liquid extracts presented MICs ranging from 2604 ppm to 111111ppm as presented on table above demonstrating that these extracts showed moderate activities in accord with [15].

Overall, these results show that though all the compounds presented an activity against at least six of the seven tested pathogens, solid compound 4 had more interesting activities.

| Compounds 1 | Compounds 2 | Compounds 3 |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| P δH δC   | δH δC   | δH δC        |
| 1 NH 10.98(1H, s) | NH 12.13(1H, s) | 45.3 | 2.10; 1.75 (2H, dd, 12.0; 10.03Hz; 10.3, 6.5Hz) |
| 2 134.4 // | 125.2 // | 72.1 | 3.82, (1H,ddd, 11.5, 8.5, 4.2Hz) |
| 3 52.5 4.88 (1H, t, 12.0 Hz) | 140.2 // | 207.7 // |
| 4 // | // | 41.2 // |
| 5 42.3 4.46 (2H, t, 6.5 Hz) | 47.3 4.52(2H, t, 6.6 Hz); | 50.6 | 1.62 (1H,m) |
| 6 20.5 3.14 (2 H, t,6.5 Hz) | 28.1 3.20 (2H, t, 6.6 Hz) | 19.3 | 1.52; 1.25 (2H,m) |
| 7 108.3 // | 112.8 // | 35.3 | 1.49; 1.24 (2H,m) |
| 8 126.9 // | 120.4 // | 28.2 // |
| 9 117.5 7.08 (1H,d, 7.9 Hz) | 97.6 7.51 (1H,d, 8.1 Hz) | 47.3 | 2.71 (1H, s) |
| 10 120.8 7.32 (1H, 7.9 Hz) | 124.7 8.15 (1H,r, 8.1 Hz) | 24.6 // |
| 11 107.4 7.23 (1H,d, 7.9 Hz) | 118.1 7.53 (1H,d, 8.1 Hz) | 62.7 | 3.6, (1H,m) |
| 12 135.5 // | 149.6 // | 127.2 | 4.98 (1H, m) |
| 13 118.6 // | 140.2 // | 141.1 // |
| 14 25.5 1.93;2.44 (2H, m) | 94.7 7.02(1H, s) | 55.5 | 1.93 (1H, t) |
| 15 42.8 2.45 (1H, m) | 145.1 // | 25.4 | 1.43; 1.16 (2H,m) |
| 16 98.8 // | 108.8 // | 46.9 | 1.64, 1.39 (2H, t) |
| 17 146.7 7.34 (1H, s) | 172.8 // | 37.5 // |
| 18 119.8 4.79;4.92 (1H,t, 12.4) | 118.2 4.79 (1H,t, 12.6 Hz) | 53.6 | 3.50 (1H, s) |
| 19 133.3 6.95 (1H,m) | 124.7 7.45(1H,m) | 76.1 // |
| 20 42.8 2.59 (1H,m) | 23.6 3.60 (1H, m) | 45.1 | 2.21 (1H, d, 6,3Hz) |
| 21 77.2 4.58 (1H,m) | 103.9 5.38 (1H, d, 12,2 Hz) | 138.4 | 5.30, (1H, l,6,2Hz) |
| 22 163.3 // | 163.3 // | 134.1 | 5.25 (1H, d, 6,4Hz) |
| 23 1 // 95.6 5.59 (1H,m) | 102.7 5.81 (1H, m) | 24.6 | 1.22 (3H, s) |
| 2 // 72.6 2.99 (1H,m) | 70.4 3.01 (1H, m) | 17.6 (C2e) | 1.16 (3H,s) |
| 3 // 69.8 3.09 (1H,m) | 74.1 3.15 (1H, m) | 16.5 (C6e) | 0.93 (3H,s) |
| 4 // 76.1 3.15 (1H,m) | 76.3 3.18 (1H, m) | 16.7 (C6e) | 0.98 (3H, s) |
| 5 // 60.8 3.12;3,18 (2H,m) | 60.3 3.13; 3.17 (2H, m) | 179.3 (C2b) | 11.97 (1H, s) |
| 6 // 772.2 3.56 (1H, m) | 77.2 3.56 (1H m) | 26.9 (C2b) | 1.31 (3H, s) |
| 1' // 103.9 // 16.5 (C5b) | 1.13 (3H, s) |
| 2' // 76.9 3.19 (1H, m) | 72.7 3.11 (1H, m) | 82.4 3.66 (1H, m) |
| 3' // 82.4 // 61.9 3.14; 3.17 (2H, m) |
| 4' // 62.1 3.15;3.19 (2H, m) | 69.7 3.81;3.77 (2H, m) |
| 5' // 102.8 3.48 (1H, m) | 76.9 3.71 (1H, m) |
| 6' // 71.5 3.81 (1H, m) | 82.4 3.89 (1H, m) |
| 7 // 60.9 3.81;3.77 (2H, m) |
Figure 1. Structures of compounds 1-8.

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Figure 2. Key COSY and HMBC correlations for compounds 1, 2 and 3.

Table 2. Minimal Inhibitory Concentrations (MICs) and Microbicidal concentrations (MMCs) of solid extracts in mg/mL.

| Compound | MIC | MMC |
|----------|-----|-----|
| Escherichia coli | 15.55 | ND |
| Escherichia coli BL21 | 15.55 | ND |
| Providencia stuartii | 7.77 | ND |
| Pseudomonas aeruginosa | 7.77 | ND |
| Staphylococcus aureus | 7.77 | ND |
| Candida krussei | 3.89 | ND |
| Cryptococcus laurentii | 3.89 | ND |

Table 3. Table of concentrations.

| Compound | Volume or mass of Compound | Total volume of solvent added (40% DMSO) | Concentration of stock solution |
|----------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1        | 70mg                        | 1.5ml                                  | 46.67mg/ml                      |
| 2        | 40mg                        | 1ml                                    | 40mg/ml                         |
| 3        | 100mg                       | 1ml                                    | 100mg/ml                        |
| 4        | 0.5ml                       | 1ml                                    | 333333ppm                       |

3. Experimental Section

General experimental procedures:

The chemical constituents of Mostua batesii were purified using open column chromatography (CC Merck; Kieselgel 60); and thin layer chromatography (Alu Gram R; SIL G/UV254 silica gel plates Merck) by using gradient of n-Hexane-EtOAc and EtOAc-MeOH. MS and HRMS were obtained on a GC-17A, GCMS-QP5050 Shimadzu mass spectrometer. 1H, 13C NMR spectra as well as 2D NMR experiments were recorded in DMSO in a JEOL ECX 500 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are expressed in part per million (δ) relative to TMS as internal standard.

The samples were tested on seven pathogens: one reference strain (Escherichia coli BL21) and six clinical strains distributed as follows: three Gram negative (Escherichia coli, Providencia stuartii, and Pseudomonas aeruginosa), one Gram positive (Staphylococcus aureus), and two yeasts (Candida krusei and Cryptococcus laurentii). The table below shows the concentration at which the compounds were tested. Liquid samples are reported in ppm (parts per million).

Biological activities: Both solid and liquid extracts were tested by broth micro-dilution assay according to the procedure below.

The broth micro dilution technique gives information on the activity of the compounds and extracts through the determination of the Minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) that inhibits microbial growth. The assay was performed according to the procedure described by Njimoh and collaborators [15] using 96-well plates. All the 96 wells of the microplate were filled with 100µL of culture medium.
(5% glucose and 1% phenol red-supplemented nutrient broth). After filling each well with 100 µL of broth, 100 µL of each sample (compound, or reference antibiotics) previously diluted in DMSO (40%) was added to the first well of each microtiter line; giving a total volume of 200 µL. After thorough mixture, successive two fold serial dilutions were performed by transferring 100 µL of the mixture from the first to the eleventh well. An aliquot (100 µL) was discarded from the eleventh well. The twelfth well served as control since no sample (compound, or reference antibiotics) was added in it. Finally, 50 µL of the microbial suspension at 10^6 CFU/ml was added in each test well. Tests were incubated aerobically at 37°C ± 0.1°C for 24 and 48 hours for bacteria and yeast species respectively. Visual observation of growth was based on the colour change of the phenol red indicator from red to yellow depicting acid waste produced by the growth of the microorganism. The concentration of the well containing the lowest sample concentration that prevented visible growth or change in colour was considered the MIC. To further ascertain the MIC and to determine the Minimum Microbicidal Concentration (MMC), 10 µL of the content of the well with the MIC and the two preceding ones were used to inoculate solid agar plates. After 24 hours (for bacteria) and 48 hours (for fungi) incubation at 37°C, the well with the least growth was considered to be the MMC. The table above shows the MICs and the MMCs of the compounds that were obtained.

**Plant material:** Botanical material *Mostuea batesii* (Loganiaceae) was collected in January 2014 in Yaoundé, Center Region of Cameroon. A voucher specimen was authenticated by M. NANA plant taxonomist and deposited at the National Herbarium of Cameroon (HNC 38660).

**Extraction and isolation:** The root, the stem and leaf of this plant were chopped separately, air dried and crushed to afford respectively 1.048 kg, 2 kg and 836 g of *Mostuea batesii* (root, stem and leaf) powder. All of these powders were extracted respectively by maceration at room temperature with MeOH and concentrated to dryness in vacuum to yield oily material respectively 90 g, 95 g and 46 g. These extract were then subjected to column chromatography eluting with gradient of n-Hexane- EtOAc and EtOAc-MeOH, respectively monitored by TLC and identified using the Dragendorf and the Valser-Mayer spray reagent. This extract was submitted to column chromatography (CC) and eluted with gradient n-Hexene- EtOAc as eluent to yield, one pure quinoleic alkaloid compound 4camptothecine (25 mg, 45% n-Hexane/ EtOAc), and 55 subfractions. These subfractions with similar TLC profiles were combined to give 5 series (S1-S5). S4 (4, 6 g) was subjected to silica gel CC with a mixture of n-Hexene/EtOAc as eluent to yield one pure sugar compound 8 (1.5 g, 70% n-Hexane/EtOAc).

**Camptothecine 4:** was obtained as a yellow powder 13C NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 400.131 MHz) δ1H 147.5 (C-3), 50.3 (C-5), 129.8 (C-6), 131.6 (C-7), 129.0 (C-8), 127.9 (C-9), 127.7 (C-10), 130.4 (C-11), 128.5 (C-12), 150.0 (C-13), 96.7 (C-14), 147.9 (C-15), 119.1 (C-16), 156.9 (C-16a), 65.3 (C-17), 7.8 (C-18), 30.3 (C-19), 72.4 (C-20) 172.5 (C-21). 1H NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 500 MHz) δH 5.27 (2H, s H-5), 8.67 (1H, s H-7) 8.13 (1H, d, 8Hz H-9) 7.84 (1H, t, 8Hz, H-10) 7.68 (1H, t, 8Hz,H-11) 8.18 (1H, d, 8Hz, H-12) 7.33 (1H, s H-13), 5.41 (2H, s H-17), 0.88 (3H, t, 8Hz, H-18), 1.92 (2H, dq, 8 Hz, H-19), 6.52 (1H, s, OH). Amorphous powder 5, 13C NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 401,113 MHz) δ1H 33.20 (C-1), 25.3 (C-2), 77.2 (C-3), 55.4 (C-4), 20.4 (C-5), 36.1 (C-6), 41.7 (C-7), 55.4 (C-8), 49.6 (C-9), 36.1 (C-10), 22.9 (C-11), 121.1 (C-12), 140.3 (C-13), 31.3 (C-14), 29.1 (C-15), 31.2 (C-16), 35.3 (C-17), 56.1 (C-18), 45.3 (C-19), 49.1 (C-20), 27.6 (C-21), 28.6 (C-22), 18.5 (C-23), 18.75 (C-24), 19.7 (C-25), 31.3 (C-26), 28.7 (C-27) 18.9 (C-28), 11.7 (C-29), 11.5 (C-30), 100.7 (C-1), 73.2 (C-2), 76.7 (C-3), 69.8 (C-4), 76.7 (C-5), 60.9 (C-6). 1H NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 500 MHz) δH 1.31 and 1.01 (2H, m H-1), 1.17 (2H, m H-2), 3.11 (1H, m H-3), 1.01 and 1.8 (2H, t, H-4), 1.49 (1H, m, H-5), 1.03 and 1.82 (2H, m, H-6), 0.87 (1H, m, H-8), 0.84, (1H, m, H-9), 1.52 and 1.61 (2H, m, H-11), 5.32 (1H, d, H-12), 1.42 (1H, m, H-14), 1.50 and 1.63 (2H, m, H-15), 1.51 and 1.91 (2H, m, H-16), 1.27 (1H, d, H-17), 1.21 (1H, d, H-18), 1.93 (2H, d, H-19), 1.88 (2H, t, H-20), 1.92 (2H, t, H-21), 0.63 (3H, s, H-22), 0.69 (3H, s, H-23), 0.84 (3H, s, H-24), 0.92 (3H, s, H-25), 0.94 (3H, s, H-26), 0.82 (3H, s, H-27) 0.62 (3H, s, H-28) 0.77 (3H, s, H-30) 5.44 (1H, d, H-1), 3.13 (1H, m, H-2), 3.01 (1H, m, H-3), 2.99 (1H, m, H-4), 3.22 (1H, m, H-5), 3.02 (2H, m, H-6).

Oleanolic acid 6, 13C NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 400,131 MHz) δ1H 39.8 (C-1), 27.8 (C-2), 79.6 (C-3), 39.9 (C-4), 56.7 (C-5), 19.4 (C-6), 34.3 (C-7), 40.7 (C-8), 47.6 (C-9), 38.1 (C-10), 24.3 (C-11), 126.8 (C-12), 139.6 (C-13), 42.8 (C-14), 29.2 (C-15), 25.3 (C-16), 47.6 (C-17), 54.3 (C-18), 40.4 (C-19), 40.4 (C-20), 31.7 (C-21), 38.1 (C-22), 28.7 (C-23), 16.0 (C-24), 16.3 (C-25), 17.6 (C-26), 24.0 (C-27) 181.6 (C-28), 17.8 (C-29), 21.5 (C-30). 1H NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 500 MHz) δH 5.21 (IH, m, H-12), 3.14 (IH, m, H-3), 2.20 (IH, d, J 18.19 = 11.3 Hz, H-18), 2.02-1.15 (2H, m, H-
22), 1.10 (s, 3H, H-23), 0.96 (3H s, H-27), 0.95 (3H s, H-26), 0.93 (3H s, H-24), 0.87 (3H d, H-29), 0.83 (3H d, H-30), 0.76 (3H s, H-15).

2a, 3a, 19a-trihydroxy-24-nurs-4(23), 12-dien-27-oic 7: Amorphous powder, 13C NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 400, 131 MHz) δ C: 37.5 (C-1), 72.5 (C-2), 78.2 (C-3), 150.4 (C-4), 49.9 (C-5), 31.3 (C-6), 46.9 (C-7), 39.7 (C-8), 41.6 (C-9), 37.9 (C-10), 20.9 (C-11) 128.0 (C-12), 138.9 (C-13), 41.4 (C-14), 25.2 (C-15), 24.2 (C-16), 47.8 (C-17), 53.8 (C-18) 72.1 (C-19), 41.6 (C-20), 25.8 (C-21), 28.9 (C-22) 103.7 (C-23) 13.8 (C-25) 15.2 (C-26), 16.1 (C-27), 180.8 (C-28), 23.4 (C-29), 25.6 (C-30). 1H NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 500 MHz) δ H: 1.76; 1.67(2H, t, H-1), 3.45 (1H d, J= 1, H-2), 3.75 (1H. d, H-3), 2.05 (1H, d, H-5), 1.52 1.56 (2H.t, H-6), 1.10; 2.04 (2H.t, H-7), 2.17 (1Hs,H-9), 2.06(1H, s,H-11) 5.33 (1Hs, H-12), 1.22 and 2.34 (2H, dt, H-15), 2.05 and 3.12 (2H, dt, H-16), 2.53 (1H, s, H-18), 1.52(1H, s, H-20), 1.35 and 2.10 (2Ht, H-21), 2.05 and 2.18 (2H, t,H-22) 4.74 and 5.22 (2H, s, H-23), 0.80 (3H, s, H-25), 0.95 (1Hs, H-26), 0.86 (1Hs, H-27), 1.06 (3H, s, H-29), 1.26 (3H, s,H-30) 4.92 s (OH- 19).

Saccharose 8 yellow powder. 13C NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 400, 131 MHz) δ C: 92.1 (C-1), 71.7 (C-2), 72.8 (C-3), 70.0 (C-4), 82.6 (C-5), 62.2 (C-1'), 104.1 (C-2'), 74.3 (C-3'), 74.3 (C-4'), 72.9 (C-5'), 62.1 (C-6'). 1H NMR spectroscopic data (DMSO, 500 MHz) δ H: 5.18 (1H, m, H-1), 3.17 (1H, m, H-2), 5.04 (1H, d, H-9), 3.47 (1H, m,H-3), 4.78 (1H, d, OH-3, 5Hz), 3.09 (1H, m, H-4), 4.74 (1H, d, OH-4, 5Hz), 3.62 (1H, m, H-5), 3.54 (2H, d, H-6, 5Hz), 4.41 (1Ht,OH-6, 5Hz), 3.38 (2H, d, H-1', 6Hz), 4.80 (1H, t, OH-1' 6Hz), 3.87 (1H, t, H-3', 8Hz), 4.49 (1Hd, OH-3', 5Hz), 3.751 (1H, q, H-4', 9Hz), 5.16 (1H, d, OH-4', 4Hz), 3.64(1H, m, H-5') 3.57 (2H, d,H-6', 5Hz) 4.37 (1H, t, OH-6', 5Hz).

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