Tissue Factor Inhibitory Flavonoids from the Fruit of *Chaenomeles sinensis*

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Tissue factor (TF, tissue thromboplastin or coagulation factor III) accelerates the blood clotting, activating both the intrinsic and the extrinsic pathways to serve as a cofactor. In order to isolate TF inhibitor from the fruit of Chaenomeles sinensis, an activity-guided purification was carried out to yield five active of flavoniods, luteolin-7-glucuronide (1) (IC₅₀ = 22.4 μ g/unit), hyperin (2) (IC₅₀ = 16.5 μ g/unit), hovetrichoside C (3) (IC₅₀ = 16.8 μ g/unit), quercitrin (4) (IC₅₀ = 95.4 μ g/unit) and 39.7 = avicularin **(5)** $(IC_{50}$ μ g/unit). Another compounds apigenin-7-glucuronide methyl ester (6), genistein-7-glucoside (7), luteolin-4'-glucoside (8), (-)-epicatechin (9), luteolin-3'-methoxy-4'-glucoside (10), luteolin-7-glucuronide and tricetin-3 '-methoxy-4'-glucoside (12) were inactive in the methyl ester (11) assay system used. Structures of these compounds were elucidated by spectral analysis and chemical conversion. Among them, compounds 3 and 12 were isolated for the first time from this plant and compound 12 is a new flavonoid.

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