

Isolation of N-acetyldopamine Dimer as LDL-antioxidant from *Perostracum Cicadea*

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N-acetyldopamine dimer, (2R, 3R)-2-(3',4'-Dihydroxyphenyl)-3-acetylamino-6-(N-acetyl-2''-aminoethyl)-1,4-benzodioxane (1), and 3,4 -dihydroxybenzaldehyde (2), were isolated from the ethyl acetate extracts of *Peroastrum Cicadea* using silica-gel column chromatography, preparative TLC, and HPLC. The NMR spectroscopic analyses showed the molecular formula of compounds were C₂₀H₂₂N₂O₆ for 1 and C₇H₆O₃ for 2. EI-mass spectrometry gave molecular mass of 386 for 1 and 138 for 2. Compounds 1 and 2 exhibited low-density lipoprotein (LDL)— antioxidant activity in the thiobarbituric acid-reactive substances (TBARS) assay (1: IC₅₀ = 2.1 μM and 2: IC₅₀ = 4.1 μM), the relative electrophoretic mobility (REM) of ox-LDL, the apoB-100 fragmentation on copper-mediated LDL oxidation, and radical DPPH scavenging activity.

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