

A New Triterpene Lactone from the Roots of *Patrinia scabiosaefolia*

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A new triterpene lactone named patrinolide A (**1**) has been isolated from the roots of *Patrinia scabiosaefolia* (Valerianaceae). Its structure was determined to be 11 β ,21 β -dihydroxy-3-oxooleanan-28,13 β -olide on the basis of spectral analysis, including 2D-NMR techniques.

Key words: *Patrinia scabiosaefolia*, Valerianaceae, Lactone, Patrinolide, 11 β ,21 β -dihydroxy-3-oxooleanan-28,13 β -olide

INTRODUCTION

The roots of *Patrinia scabiosaefolia* Fischer (Valerianaceae) have been widely used in Korean traditional medicine for the treatment of inflammation and abscesses. It has been reported that the roots of this plant contain patrinolide, scopoletin, esculetin, and several triterpene glycosides (Taguchi and Endo, 1974; Choi and Woo, 1984; 1987). In this paper, we describe the isolation and structural elucidation of a new triterpene lactone, patrinolide A (**1**).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The roots of *Patrinia scabiosaefolia* Fisher were purchased from Korea Export and Import Federation of Drugs, Seoul, Korea and identified by Dr Dae Suk Han, an emeritus professor of College of Pharmacy, Seoul National University. The 80% MeOH extract (212 g) of the dried roots of *P. scabiosaefolia* (1.2 kg) was suspended in water, and then partitioned with CHCl₃. The CHCl₃ extract (32 g) was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel with CHCl₃-MeOH gradient to give 7 fractions. Fr. 3 was submitted to repeated column chromatography over silica gel using *n*-hexane-CHCl₃-MeOH gradient system (5:5:1 to 1:1:1, v/v/v) to give fractions 8-13. Fr. 9 was subjected to Sephadex LH-20 column chromatography (*n*-hexane-acetone, 1:1) to yield compound **1** (10 mg).

Patrinolide A (**1**): White amorphous powder, mp. 246-249°C (decomposed); IR (KBr) cm⁻¹: 3500 (OH), 1737 (γ -lactone) and 1697 (C=O); EIMS *m/z*: 486 (M⁺), 468; HR-EIMS *m/z*: 486.3354 (Calcd for C₃₀H₄₆O₅: 486.3345); ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, pyridine-d₅) δ : 0.86 (3H, s, H-25), 1.01 (3H, s, H-24), 1.14 (6H, s, H-30, H-23), 1.18 (3H, s, H-26), 1.29 (3H, s, H-29), 1.30 (3H, s, H-27), 3.37 (1H, br d, *J*=11.6 Hz, H-18), 3.92 (1H, dd, *J*=11.5, 4.0 Hz, H-21), 4.17 (1H, m, H-11); ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, pyridine-d₅) δ : 216.12 (C-3), 179.36 (C-28), 93.64 (C-13), 73.01 (C-21), 66.88 (C-11), 54.63 (C-5), 48.64 (C-9), 47.34 (C-4), 45.94 (C-17), 42.97 (C-14), 42.57 (C-8), 42.34 (C-18), 39.62 (C-1), 37.51 (C-20), 37.33 (C-22), 37.05 (C-19), 36.66 (C-10), 34.27 (C-2), 33.05 (C-7), 30.06 (C-29), 29.48 (C-12), 27.84 (C-15), 26.57 (C-23), 22.57 (C-16), 21.20 (C-24), 19.21 (C-6), 19.01 (C-26), 18.34 (C-27), 18.03 (C-30), 15.93 (C-25).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Patrinolide A (**1**) was obtained as a white amorphous powder. The molecular formula C₃₀H₄₆O₅ (M⁺ *m/z*: 486.3354, Calcd 486.3345) was determined by high-resolution MS spectrum. Its IR spectrum displayed absorption bands at 3500 (OH), 1737 (γ -lactone) and 1697 (C=O) cm⁻¹. The ¹H-NMR spectrum of **1** showed seven tertiary methyl (δ 0.86-1.30) and two carbinolic methine [δ 3.92 (1H, dd, *J*=11.5, 4.0 Hz) and δ 4.17 (1H, m)] signals, which suggested that **1** was an oleanane-type triterpene with two hydroxyl groups. In its ¹³C-NMR spectrum, the characteristic peaks at δ 216.12, 179.36 and 93.64 implied **1** was 3-oxooleanan-28,13 β -olide (Poehlane et al., 1987). The HMBC spectrum of **1** showed cross-peaks

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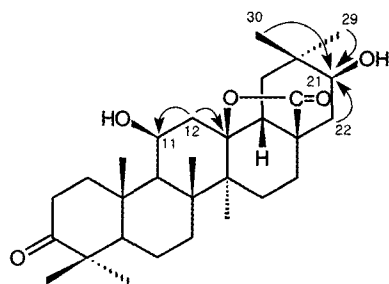


Fig. 1. ^1H - ^{13}C long-range correlations observed from the HMBC spectrum of **1**. Most protons are omitted for clarity.

of correlation from δ_{H} 1.97 (H₂-12) to δ_{C} 66.88 (C-11), and from δ_{H} 1.14 (H₃-30), 1.29 (H₃-29) and 2.31 (H₂-22) to δ_{C} 73.01 (C-21), indicating the presence of hydroxyl groups in the position of C-11 and C-21. The configuration of hydroxyl group at C-11 was determined to be β -form on the basis of $J_{10,11}$ (3.2 Hz) in the decoupling experiment (CD₃OD). Also, the coupling constant of $J_{21,22}$ suggested the hydroxyl group at C-21 had β configuration. From all the above data, the structure of **1** was elucidated as 11 β ,21 β -dihydroxy-3-oxooleanan-28,13 β -

olide.

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