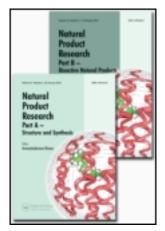
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Abstract:-Two novel ent-kaurane diterpenoids, lungshengenin D(1) and F(2), were isolated from Isodon lungshengensis. Their structures were elucidated on the basis of spectral evidence as 1α -hydroxy- 3β -acetoxy- 11β , 16β -epoxy-ent-kauran-6-one and 1α -hydroxy- 2β , 3β , 11β -triacetoxy-ent-kaur-16-ene-15-one, respectively.

Key words:-Isodon lungshengensis; Labiatae; ent-kaurenoids; lungshengenin D and F.

INTRODUCTION

The genus *Isodon* (Labiatae) is rich in *ent*-kaurane diterpenoids which have been identified as the main biologically active constituents. As part of a program directed toward the isolation of biologically active metabolites from plants of the *Isodon* genus, we have recently investigated the constituents of *Isodon lungshengensis* C. Y. Wu et H. W. Li which has been used as a medicinal herb in local folk to treat hepatitis for a long time, and have isolated a series of new *ent*-kaurane diterpenoids. Among them, the structures of two compounds, named lungshengenin D(1) and F(2) respectively, have some peculiarities. Besides having four rings as usual, lungshengenin D has an extra ring formed by an ether link between C-11 and C-16. Lungshengenin F is one of only a few diterpenoids to be found in the nature in which there are three oxy-groups on the A-ring¹. This paper deals with their structural elucidation.

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RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Lungshengenin D (1), colorless prisms crystallized from cyclohexane, was shown to have a molecular formula C₂₂H₃₂O₅ by HREIMS spectrometry⁵ (found 376.2236, calc. 376.2250), suggesting seven degrees of unsaturation. The 13C-NMR and DEPT spectra of 1 indicated carbon signals of five Me groups, five CH2 units, six methines, four quaternary carbons and two ketonic carbons (δ 210.2 and 170.3). It gave IR absorption bands for a hydroxy group (3365 cm⁻¹), one ketonic and one acetoxyl carbonyl bonds (1725, 1690 cm⁻¹) and an ether bond (1105, 1045 cm⁻¹). The ¹H-¹H COSY and ¹³C-¹H COSY spectra of 1 revealed the following partial structures: -CHCH2CH- (C-1 to C-3) and -CHCHCH2CHCH2- (C-9, C-11 to C-14). According to the HETCOR experiment, compound 1 possessed an ent-kaurane diterpenoid skeleton with a ketonic oxygen at position C-6, and unsaturated functionalities of ring D (=CH₂ and C=O) were reduced. From the spectra of MS, IR, ¹H and ¹³C-NMR, the presence of one acetoxyl group and one hydroxy group was shown clearly. However, the extra degree of unsaturation required by the molecular formula indicated the presence of an additional ring. The δ 70-90 region of the ¹³C-NMR spectrum of 1 exhibited four oxygenated carbons signals at δ 85.1 (s), 79.4 (d), 79.3 (d), 74.3 (d), respectively (three oxygenated methine carbons and one oxygenated quaternary carbon), suggesting that one oxygen atom which is one of the three oxygenated substituents in 1 was connected with two carbons to form an epoxy unit. The linkage of this additional ring through an ether bridge from C-11 to C-16 was established unambiguously by analysis of the ²J and ³J heteronuclear couplings visualized through a COLOC experiment, i.e. H-11 α (δ 5.71, t, J=3.4 Hz) was correlated to C-16 (8 85.1) in its COLOC spectrum. Meanwhile, the location of the other substituents was also determined by the same experiment (Figure 1.) and the ¹H-¹H COSY.

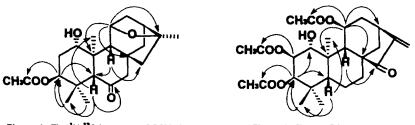


Figure 1. The ¹H-¹³C long-range COSY of 1

Figure 2. The HMBC spectrum of 2

The relative configurations of substituents with an orientation of C- 1α , C- 3β , C- 11β and C- 16β were achieved by the NOESY experiment. The correlation between H- 1β and H- 5β , H- 1β and H- 9β , H- 3α and H-19 and H- 11α and H-20 protons were clearly revealed from the across peaks of the NOESY spectrum. Therefore, the structure of 1 was deduced as 1α -hydroxy- 3β -acetoxy- 11β , 16β -epoxy-ent-kauran-6-one⁶. This conclusion was also supported

by comparing 1 with similar compounds to have been reported such as euphoranginol C², isodoglutinosin B³ and liangshanin G⁴.

Lungshengenin F (2), obtained as colorless cubes from acctone, had a molecular formula of C₂₆H₃₆O₈ suggested by HREIMS (found 476.2410, calc. 476.2393). Compound 2 exhibited signals for three methyl carbons, four methylenes, seven methines, three quaternary carbons, one ketonic carbon, one exo-methylene group (δ 151.3 and 111.9), three acetoxy groups and one hydroxy group from the IR, MS, ¹H, ¹³C-NMR and DEPT spectra. ¹H-¹H COSY, HMQC and HMBC experiments revealed that 2 was an ent-kaurene diterpenoid. Due to the UV absorption at 240 nm and the IR bands at 1734, 1647 cm⁻¹, the ketonic bond and the exo-methylene group were obviously conjugated. ¹H-¹H COSY and HMBC experiments also showed that the oxygen substituents were at C-1, C-2, C-3 and C-11 (Figure 2). On the other hand, the observation of the NOESY correlation such as between H-1β and H-5β, H-1β and H-9β, H-2α and H-19, H-2α and H-20, H-3α and H-19 and H-11α and H-20 protons confirmed that the substituents unambiguously possessed an orientation of C-1α, C-2β, C-3β and C-11β. Thus, 2 was elucidated as 1α-hydroxy-2β,3β,11β-triacetoxy-ent-kaur-16-ene-15-one⁷.

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- 5. General Experimental Procedures. All the mps were obtained on a Koffler apparatus which was uncorrected. IR spectral data were measured on a Perkin-Elmer 577 or Bio-Rad FTS-135 spectrometer with KBr pellets. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-400 or DRX-500 instrument with TMS as internal standard and pyridine-d₅ as solvent. ¹H-NMR, ¹H-¹H COSY spectra were recorded at 400.13 or 500.13 MHz; ¹³C-NMR and DEPT spectra were recorded at 100.6 or 125.8 MHz. ¹³C-NMR assignments were determined by ¹³C-¹H COSY and HMQC spectra. The HREIMS and EIMS data were carried out on a VG Auto Spec-3000 spectrometer.

- 6. Properties of 1: C₂₂H₃₂O₅ (HREIMS found 376.2236, calc. 376.2250); colorless prisms, m.p.199.2-200.6 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{22}$: +26.42° (CHCl₃, c=0.27); UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max} : no absorption; IR v_{max} : 3365 (s), 2945 (s), 2920 (s), 2860 (s), 1725 (s), 1690 (s), 1430 (m), 1380 (s), 1230 (s), 1175 (s), 1105 (s), 1045 (s), 980 (s), 825 (m) cm⁻¹; EIMS m/z (rel. int. %): 376 [M]⁺ (49), 333 (32), 316 (56), 298 (26), 288 (9), 273 (28), 219 (100), 201 (31); ¹H-NMR δ : 6.35 (1H, d, J=5.8 Hz, H-1 α -OH), 4.32 (1H, dd, J=5.8 and 3.0 Hz, H-1 β), 2.22 (2H, t, J=3.0 Hz, H₂-2 α and 2 β), 4.83 (1H, t, J=3.0 Hz, H-3 α), 2.96 $(1H, s, H-5\beta)$, 1.83 $(1H, d, J=11.0 Hz, H-7\beta)$, 1.38 $(1H, d, J=11.0 Hz, H-7\alpha)$, 2.55 (1H, br d, J=3.4 H-9 β), 5.71 (1H, t, J=3.4 Hz, H-11 α), 1.94 (1H, dt, J=11.8 and 3.4 Hz, H-12 α), 1.27 (1H, m, H-12 β), 2.13 (1H, overlapped, H-13 α), 2.15 (1H, overlapped, H-14 β), 2.09 (1H, overlapped, H-14 α), 2.75 (1H, d, J=13.3 Hz, H-15 α), 2.10 (1H, d, J=13.3 Hz, H-15B), 1.38 (3H, s, Me-17), 1.08 (3H, s, Me-18), 1.50 (3H, s, Me-19), 1.34 (3H, s, Me-20), 2.00 (3H, s, Ac). ¹³C-NMR δ: 14.5 (C-20), 20.9 (AcO), 22.4 (C-19), 23.4 (C-17), 27.0 (C-18), 33.0 (C-2), 35.9 (C-4), 40.3 (C-14), 44.6 (C-12), 46.1 (C-13), 48.3 (C-8), 48.7 (C-10), 53.5 (C-15), 57.7 (C-7), 59.8 (C-9), 60.6 (C-5), 74.3 (C-1), 79.3 (C-3), 79.4 (C-11), 85.1 (C-16), 170.3 (AcO), 210.2 (C-6).
- 7. Properties of 2: C₂₆H₃₆O₈ (HREIMS found 476.2410, calc. 476.2393); colorless cubes, m.p.94.7 -96.1 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{22}$: -94.88° (CHCl₃, c=0.47); UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max} : 240 nm (log ϵ 3.91); IR v_{max} : 3473 (br m), 2945 (m), 2881 (m), 1734 (s), 1647 (m), 1456 (m), 1435 (m), 1372 (s), 1258 (s), 1240 (s), 1035 (s), 963 (m) cm⁻¹; EIMS m/z (rel. int. %): 476 [M]⁺ (14), 433 (52), 416 (61), 373 (9), 356 (42), 331 (23), 313 (78), 296 (100), 278 (24), 253 (20), 241 (26), 200 (60); ¹H-NMR δ: 4.31 (1H, d, *J*=10.0 Hz, H-1β), 5.68 (1H, dd, J=10.0 and 2.4 Hz, H-2 α), 5.37 (1H, d, J=2.4 Hz, H-3 α), 1.61 (1H, dd, J=11.7 and 2.8 Hz, H-5 β), 1.49 (1H, br d, J=11.7 Hz, H-6 β), 1.33 (1H, overlapped, H- 6α), 2.20 (1H, overlapped, H-7 β), 1.39 (1H, overlapped, H-7 α), 2.11 (1H, br s, H-9 β), 6.94 (1H, t, J=2.7 Hz, H-11 α), 2.07 (2H, overlapped, H₂-12 β and 12 α), 2.91 (1H, br d, J=3.0 Hz, H-13 α), 2.38 (1H, d, J=12.1 Hz, H-14 β), 1.34 (1H, overlapped, H-14 α), 5.97 (1H, s, H-17a), 5.18 (1H, s, H-17b), 0.84 (3H, s, Me-18), 0.95 (3H, s, Me-19), 1.36 (3H, s, Me-20), 2.04, 1.86, 1.73 (each 3H, 3×Ac). ¹³C-NMR δ: 15.7 (C-20), 18.2 (C-6), 20.6 (AcO), 20.9 (AcO), 21.3 (AcO), 21.4 (C-19), 28.1 (C-18), 34.6 (C-7), 37.1 (C-14), 37.3 (C-13), 37.6 (C-4), 38.1 (C-12), 45.3 (C-10), 49.0 (C-5), 51.1 (C-8), 60.4 (C-9), 71.5 (C-11), 72.7 (C-2), 76.7 (C-1), 77.9 (C-3), 111.9 (C-17), 151.3 (C-16), 169.5 (AcO), 170.7 (AcO), 170.8 (AcO), 208.4 (C-15).