

FLAVONOID DIGLYCOSIDES FROM *Dendrobium officinale* LEAVES AND THEIR TYROSINASE INHIBITORY ACTIVITY

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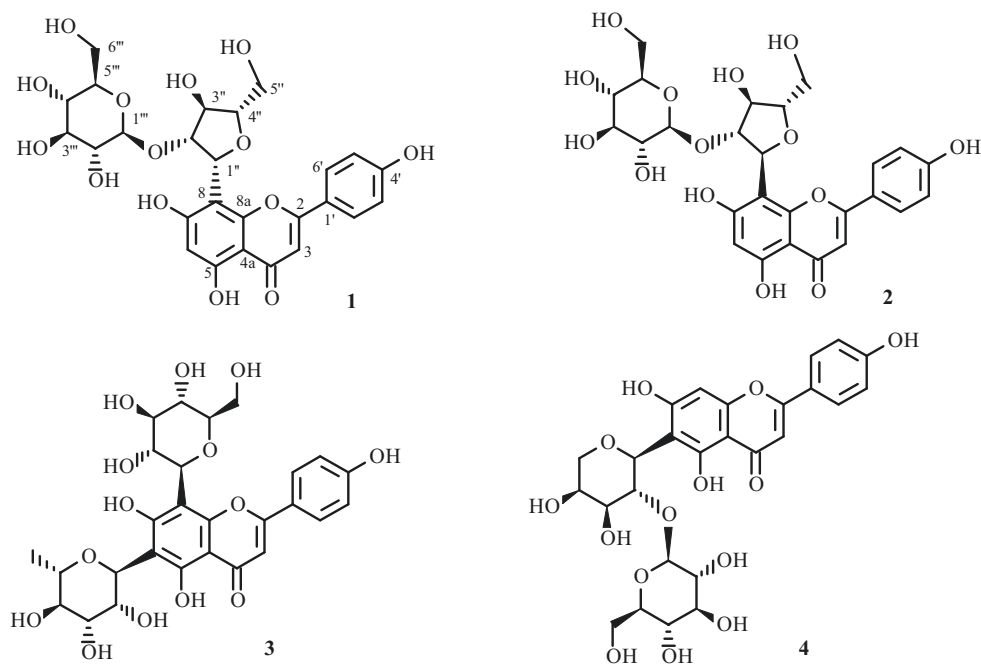
Four flavonoid C-glycosides, including two new diglycosides, dendrodiglycosides A (**1**) and B (**2**), along with known isoviolanthin (**3**) and apigenin 6-C- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- α -L-arabinopyranoside (**4**), were isolated from the leaves of *Dendrobium officinale* (Orchidaceae). Their structures were elucidated by NMR and MS. Apigenin 6-C- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- α -L-arabinopyranoside exhibited an inhibitory effect against tyrosinase with an IC₅₀ value of 146.5 μ g/mL.

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The dry stems of the orchidaceous plant *Dendrobium officinale* Kimura & Migo are a famous traditional Chinese medicine [1]. The leaves of the plant are used as food material in China [2]. Flavonoid diglycosides are major constituents of *D. officinale* leaves [2]. However, these compounds, which are usually detected by liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC-MS) [3], are very difficult to isolate and purify. To better identify the beneficial flavonoids of *D. officinale* [1], we conducted a phytochemical study of its leaves, which led to the isolation of four flavonoid C-glycosides, including two new diglycosides, dendrodiglycosides A (**1**) and B (**2**). We report here their molecular structure and bioassay results.

Dendrodiglycoside A (**1**) has the molecular formula C₂₆H₂₈O₁₄ by ¹³C NMR (Table 1) and HR-ESI-MS showing an ion peak at *m/z* 563.1404 [M – H][–] (calcd for C₂₆H₂₇O₁₄, 563.1406). Its ¹H and ¹³C NMR data in DMSO-d₆ (Table 1) indicated the presence of a *p*-disubstituted phenyl ring [δ_{H} 7.86 (2H, br.d, J = 8.7 Hz, H-2', 6'), 6.90 (2H, br.d, J = 8.7 Hz, H-3', 5')], a C- β -arabinofuranosyl group [δ_{H} 5.39 (1H, d, J = 5.7 Hz, H-1''); δ_{C} 75.3 (C-1''), 86.2 (C-2''), 76.5 (C-3''), 85.1 (C-4''), 61.3 (C-5'')], and an O- β -glucopyranosyl group [δ_{H} 4.37 (1H, d, J = 7.8 Hz, H-1'''); δ_{C} 101.5 (C-1'''), 73.6 (C-2'''), 76.7 (C-3'''), 70.0 (C-4'''), 76.6 (C-5'''), 60.8 (C-6''')] [4–7]. Usually, the J_{1,2}, J_{2,3}, and J_{3,4} values of β -L-arabinofuranosyl moieties are larger than those of α -L-arabinofuranosyl moieties (Table 2). For example, J_{1,2} values of aconicarmichoside D with an β -L-arabinofuranosyl moiety and aconicarmichoside C with an α -L-arabinofuranosyl moiety are 4.8 and 0 Hz, respectively [5]. In contrast, J_{1,2} values of compounds **1** and **2** were 5.7 and 2.3 Hz (Tables 1 and 3), respectively. Additionally, the anomeric carbon of the β -L-arabinofuranosyl group appears at a higher field than that in the α -L-arabinofuranosyl group. For example, the chemical shifts of C-1' in aconicarmichoside D and aconicarmichoside C are 103.6 and 109.5 ppm [5] respectively. In contrast, the chemical shifts of C-1'' in **1** and **2** were 75.3 and 77.9 ppm (Tables 1 and 3) respectively. Therefore, a β -arabinofuranosyl moiety was suggested to be presented in **1**. By comparing its NMR data with those of apigenin 6-C-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- α -L-arabinopyranoside (**4**) [8], compound **1** should also be an apigenin C-glycoside with two sugars.

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Based on 2D NMR correlations (Fig. 1), the apigenin moiety was confirmed. In its HMBC spectrum, correlations from H-1'' to C-7 and C-8a, as well as from H-2'' to C-8 were observed (Fig. 1), implying that the *C*- β -arabinofuranosyl group was located at C-8; correlations from H-2'' to C-1''', as well as from H-1''' to C-2'', indicated that the *O*- β -glucopyranosyl group was linked to the 2-OH of arabinose. Because the D-glucosyl and L-arabinosyl groups were previously identified in *D. officinale* [2], we suspect that the sugars identified in the study were also D-glucose and L-arabinose. We hydrolyzed compound 4 to yield D-glucose. Accordingly, compound 1 was elucidated to be apigenin 8-*C*- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- β -L-arabinofuranoside, named dendrodiglycoside A.

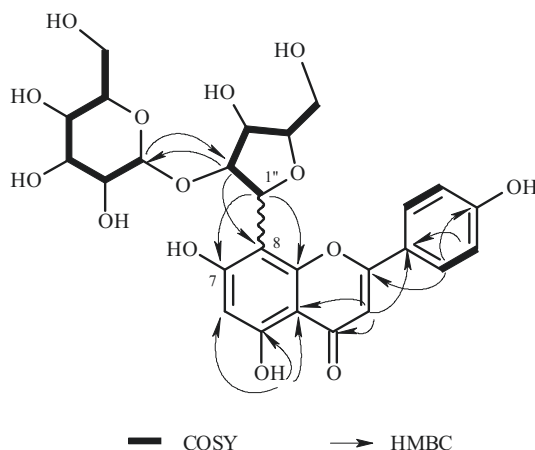


Fig. 1. Key ^1H - ^1H COSY and HMBC correlations for 1 and 2 in DMSO-d_6 .

According to its HR-ESI-MS demonstrating an ion peak at m/z 563.1403 $[\text{M} - \text{H}]^-$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{27}\text{O}_{14}$, 563.1406) and ^{13}C NMR data (Table 3), the molecular formula of compound 2 was determined to be $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_{14}$, indicating that compound 2 is an isomer of compound 1. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR data in DMSO-d_6 (Table 3) indicated the presence of a *p*-disubstituted phenyl ring [δ_{H} 7.75 (2H, br.d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, H-2', 6'), 6.87 (2H, br.d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, H-3', 5')], a *C*- α -arabinofuranosyl group [δ_{H} 5.33 (1H, d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, H-1''); δ_{C} 77.9 (C-1''), 87.8 (C-2''), 77.0 (C-3''), 87.3 (C-4''), 61.0 (C-5'')] (Table 2) [5–7, 9], and an *O*- β -glucopyranosyl group [δ_{H} 4.30 (1H, d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, H-1'''); δ_{C} 101.2 (C-1'''), 73.7 (C-2'''), 76.7 (C-3'''), 70.0 (C-4'''), 76.8 (C-5'''), 60.8 (C-6''')]. By comparing its NMR data with those of compound 1, compound 2 was determined to also be an apigenin *C*-glycoside with two sugars, with a difference in the C-1 configuration in the arabinofuranosyl fragment.

TABLE 1. ¹H (500 MHz) and ¹³C (126 MHz) NMR Data for Dendrodiglycoside A (**1**) (δ, ppm, J/Hz)

C atom	DMSO-d ₆		Methanol-d ₄	
	δ _H	δ _C	δ _H	δ _C
2	–	162.7 (C)	–	165.9 (C)
3	6.63 (s)	102.6 (CH)	6.56 (s)	103.6 (CH)
4	–	181.1 (C)	–	183.7 (C)
4a	–	101.5 (C)	–	104.2 (C)
5	–	160.6 (C)	–	Disappeared
6	5.95 (br.s)	100.5 ^a	Disappeared	Disappeared
7	–	168.0 (C)	–	168.2 (C)
8	–	105.1 (C)	–	105.8 (C)
8a	–	155.8 (C)	–	157.7 (C)
1'	–	121.9 (C)	–	123.6 (C)
2', 6'	7.86 (br.d, J = 8.7)	128.4 (CH)	7.87 (d, J = 8.7)	129.7 (CH)
3', 5'	6.90 (br.d, J = 8.7)	116.0 (CH)	6.92 (d, J = 8.7)	117.0 (CH)
4'	–	160.8 (C)	–	162.6 (C)
1''	5.39 (d, J = 5.7)	75.3 (CH)	5.70 (d, J = 6.2)	77.5 (CH)
2''	4.78 (overlapped)	86.2 (CH)	4.98 (dd, J = 6.2, 5.0)	88.3 (CH)
3''	4.14 (t, J = 4.5)	76.5 (CH)	4.42 (t, J = 5.0)	77.5 (CH)
4''	3.91 (m)	85.1 (CH)	4.21 (m)	85.6 (CH)
5''	3.53 (m)	61.3 (CH ₂)	3.80 (dd, J = 12.2, 4.3) 3.77 (dd, J = 12.2, 5.4)	62.3 (CH ₂)
1'''	4.37 (d, J = 7.8)	101.5 (CH)	4.49 (d, J = 7.8)	103.5 (CH)
2'''	2.89 (m)	73.6 (CH)	3.18 (m)	75.2 (CH)
3'''	3.09 (br.t, J = 9.0)	76.7 (CH)	3.31 (overlapped)	77.9 (CH)
4'''	2.97 (ddd, J = 9.5, 9.0, 4.1)	70.0 (CH)	3.19 (m)	71.5 (CH)
5'''	2.89 (m)	76.6 (CH)	3.06 (m)	77.5 (CH)
6'''	3.36 (overlapped) 3.21 (dd, J = 11.6, 5.0)	60.8 (CH ₂)	3.47 (dd, J = 11.7, 2.7) 3.37 (dd, J = 11.7, 4.9)	62.5 (CH ₂)
5-OH	13.09 (s)			
5''-OH	4.62 (t, J = 4.7)			
2'''-OH	–			
3'''-OH	4.88 (d, J = 3.5)			
4'''-OH	4.78 (overlapped)			

^aDetected by HSQC and HMBC.

The apigenin moiety in **2** was deduced by its 2D NMR correlations (Fig. 1). HMBC correlations from H-1'' to C-7 and C-8a and from H-2'' to C-8 were observed (Fig. 1), indicating that the *C*-α-arabinofuranosyl group was located at C-8; HMBC correlations from H-2'' to C-1''' and from H-1''' to C-2'' indicated that the *O*-β-glucopyranosyl group was located at 2''-OH. Thus, compound **2** was elucidated to be apigenin 8-*C*-β-*D*-glucopyranosyl-(1→2)-α-*L*-arabinofuranoside and named dendrodiglycoside B.

The NMR data of compounds **1** and **2** in methanol-d₄ are also presented in the paper (Tables 1 and 3). Some NMR signals of the aglycones disappeared. However, the signals of sugar moieties may be useful as a reference.

The known compounds were identified to be isoviolanthin (**3**) [10] and apigenin 6-*C*-β-*D*-glucopyranosyl-(1→2)-α-*L*-arabinopyranoside (**4**) [8] by comparison of the obtained spectroscopic data with those published in the literature.

Compounds **1**–**4** were evaluated for tyrosinase inhibitory, 1,1-diphenyl-2-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) radical scavenging, protein tyrosine phosphatase-1 B (PTP1B) inhibitory, and α-glucosidase inhibitory activities. As shown in Tables 4 and 5, compound **4** exhibited inhibitory activity against tyrosinase with an IC₅₀ value of 146.5 μg/mL compared with the positive control phenylethyl resorcinol (IC₅₀ of 0.05 μg/mL). Tyrosinase inhibitors can be used in the development of cosmetic skin-whitening agents [11].

Compound **3** exhibited weak antioxidant activity with a DPPH radical scavenging rate of 25.4% at a concentration of 100 μg/mL compared with the positive control Trolox (96.1% scavenging rate at 25 μg/mL).

TABLE 2. Coupling Constants of α -L-Arabinofuranosyl and β -L-Arabinofuranosyl Moieties in ^1H NMR of Some Known Compounds

Compound	Type	Solvent	$J_{1,2}$ (Hz)	$J_{2,3}$ (Hz)	$J_{3,4}$ (Hz)	Ref.
Aconicarmichoside C	α -L-Ara	Methanol- d_4	0	2.0	3.5	[5]
Aconicarmichoside D	β -L-Ara	Methanol- d_4	4.8	7.2	7.2	[5]
Methyl α -L-arabinofuranoside	α -L-Ara	D_2O	1.6	3.2	5.7	[6]
Methyl β -L-arabinofuranoside	β -L-Ara	D_2O	4.2	7.9	7.0	[6]
Methyl β -L-arabinofuranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- α -L-arabinofuranoside	α -L-Ara	Methanol- d_4	2.0	4.8	4.8	[7]
Methyl β -L-arabinofuranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- α -L-arabinofuranoside	β -L-Ara	Methanol- d_4	4.8	8.0	6.4	[7]

TABLE 3. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR Data for Dendrodiglycoside B (**2**) (δ , ppm, J/Hz)

C atom	DMSO- d_6		Methanol- d_4	
	δ_{H} (800 MHz)	δ_{C} (201 MHz)	δ_{H} (500 MHz)	δ_{C} (126 MHz)
2	–	160.5 (C)	–	165.0 (C)
3	6.40 (s)	101.9 (CH)	6.47 (s)	103.0 (CH)
4	–	179.5 (C)	–	183.0 (C)
4a	–	97.9 (C)	–	102.0 (C)
5	–	160.7 (C)	–	Disappeared
6	5.47 (s)	103.0 (CH)	Disappeared	Disappeared
7	–	175.8 ^a	–	174.7 (C)
8	–	105.3 (C)	–	106.3 (C)
8a	–	156.1 (C)	–	158.1 (C)
1'	–	122.4 ^a	–	123.6 (C)
2', 6'	7.75 (br.d, J = 8.6)	127.6 (CH)	7.84 (br.d, J = 9.0)	129.4 (CH)
3', 5'	6.87 (br.d, J = 8.6)	115.9 (CH)	6.91 (br.d, J = 9.0)	117.1 (CH)
4'	–	160.1 (C)	–	162.5 (C)
1''	5.33 (d, J = 2.3)	77.9 (CH)	5.71 (d, J = 4.3)	79.2 (CH)
2''	4.60 (br.d, J = 2.3)	87.8 (CH)	4.92 (overlapped)	88.8 (CH)
3''	4.03 (br.s)	77.0 (CH)	4.36 (dd, J = 2.7, 2.5)	78.0 (CH)
4''	3.80 (br.t, J = 6.5)	87.3 (CH)	4.17 (m)	87.4 (CH)
5''	3.53 (dd, J = 6.5, 6.0)	61.0 (CH ₂)	3.80 (dd, J = 11.9, 6.2) 3.77 (dd, J = 11.9, 5.8)	62.1 (CH ₂)
1'''	4.30 (d, J = 7.8)	101.2 (CH)	4.48 (d, J = 7.8)	103.2 (CH)
2'''	2.93 (m)	73.7 (CH)	3.20 (dd, J = 9.1, 7.8)	75.2 (CH)
3'''	3.14 (m)	76.7 (CH)	3.33 (t, J = 9.1)	78.0 (CH)
4'''	3.00 (m)	70.0 (CH)	3.23 (dd, J = 9.6, 9.1)	71.5 (CH)
5'''	3.00 (m)	76.8 (CH)	3.12 (m)	77.7 (CH)
6'''	3.51 (dd, J = 12.0, 1.4) 3.28 (dd, J = 12.0, 5.1)	60.8 (CH ₂)	3.57 (dd, J = 11.9, 2.5) 3.46 (dd, J = 11.9, 4.9)	62.4 (CH ₂)
5-OH	12.94 (s)			
5''-OH	4.47 (t, J = 6.0)			
2'''-OH	4.96 (d, J = 5.3)			
3'''-OH	4.89 (d, J = 4.7)			
4'''-OH	4.83 (d, J = 5.0)			

^aDetected by HMBC.

TABLE 4. Tyrosinase Inhibitory and DPPH Radical Scavenging Activities of Compounds 1–4

Compound	Concentration, $\mu\text{g/mL}$	Tyrosinase inhibition activity		DPPH radical scavenging activity, %		
		Inhibition rate, %	IC_{50} , $\mu\text{g/mL}$			
1	100	-8.6 ± 1.0	–	1.7 ± 7.6		
2	100	8.7 ± 1.7	–	-7.2 ± 0.8		
3	100	7.0 ± 1.9	–	25.4 ± 2.0		
4	200	53.3 ± 0.0	146.5 ± 3.5	–		
	100	46.4 ± 0.9		6.3 ± 0.5		
	50	34.4 ± 0.4		–		
	25	20.7 ± 1.5		–		
	12.5	18.4 ± 1.8		–		
	Kojic acid ^a	5		56.2 ± 0.1	–	
	Phenylethyl resorcinol ^a	0.2		68.1 ± 1.2	0.05 ± 0.00	–
		0.1		60.9 ± 1.0		–
0.05		51.7 ± 1.7	–			
0.025		36.5 ± 0.4	–			
0.0125		18.8 ± 1.5	–			
Trolox ^a	25	–	–	96.1 ± 0.0		

^aPositive control; –: not tested.

TABLE 5. PTP1B Inhibitory and α -Glucosidase Inhibitory Activities of Compounds 1–4

Compound	Concentration, $\mu\text{g/mL}$	PTP1B inhibition, %	α -Glucosidase inhibition, %
1	50	-6.9 ± 3.7	4.8 ± 2.5
2	50	6.7 ± 2.5	4.4 ± 3.8
3	50	2.6 ± 2.9	7.2 ± 2.2
4	50	8.0 ± 3.9	8.7 ± 1.9
Suramin (positive control)	29	88.6 ± 1.5	–
Quercetin (positive control)	3	–	63.5 ± 0.9

EXPERIMENTAL

General Experimental Procedures. Optical rotations were recorded using a JASCO P-1020 Polarimeter (Jasco Corp., Tokyo, Japan). Electronic circular dichroism (ECD) spectra were recorded on a Chirascan CD spectrometer (Applied Photophysics Ltd., Leatherhead, UK). ¹H and ¹³C nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were collected using Bruker DRX-500 and AscendTM 800 III-600 spectrometers (Bruker Bio-Spin GmbH, Rheinstetten, Germany), with TMS as an internal standard. Electrospray ionization mass spectrometry (ESI-MS) analyses were performed on an API QSTAR Pulsar 1 spectrometer (Applied Biosystems/MDS Sciex, Foster City, CA, USA). Silica gel G (80–100, 200–300, and 300–400 mesh, Qingdao Meigao Chemical Co., Ltd., Qingdao, China), reverse phase (RP) C₁₈ silica gel (40–75 μm , Fuji Silysia Chemical Ltd., Aichi, Japan), and Sephadex LH-20 (GE Healthcare Bio-Sciences AB, Uppsala, Sweden) were used for column chromatography, and silica gel GF₂₅₄ (Qingdao Meigao Chemical Co., Ltd.) was used for preparative thin layer chromatography (TLC) as precoated plates. TLC spots were visualized under UV light at 254 nm by dipping them into 5% H₂SO₄ in alcohol followed by heating. Semipreparative high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was performed with an Agilent 1200 series pump (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA) equipped with a diode array detector, an Agilent Zorbax RX-C₈ (5 μm , \varnothing 9.4 \times 250 mm) column, and a chiral-phase CD-Ph column (5 μm , \varnothing 4.6 \times 250 mm; Shiseido, Japan).

Plant Material. Leaves of cultivated *Dendrobium officinale* Kimura & Migo were collected in December 2019 in Yunnan, China. The plant was identified by Associate Professor Shu-Yun Li at the Kunming Institute of Botany, Chinese Academy of Sciences. A voucher specimen (No. PE1912) was deposited in the Key Laboratory of Economic Plants and Biotechnology, Kunming Institute of Botany, Chinese Academy of Sciences.

Extraction and Isolation. Dry leaves of *D. officinale* (9.0 kg) were ground into powder and then extracted with 90–95% EtOH (50 L × 4 h × 3) at 70°C. After filtration, the liquid was evaporated under reduced pressure to yield a crude extract (2.3 kg), which was suspended in water (1 L) and extracted with petroleum ether (3 L × 8). The aqueous phase was adjusted to pH 2–3 with 6 M HCl and then extracted with EtOAc (3 L × 5). The remaining aqueous phase was adjusted to pH 9–10 with 50% NaOH solution and then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 L × 5). The remaining aqueous phase was adjusted to approximately pH 7 with 6 M HCl and then extracted with *n*-BuOH (2 L × 5) to yield the *n*-BuOH-soluble fraction (85.6 g).

The *n*-BuOH-soluble fraction was subjected to silica gel column chromatography and eluted with CH₂Cl₂–MeOH (20:1, 10:1, 5:1, 3:1, 2:1, 1:1, 0:1) to yield fractions A–F. Fraction D (CH₂Cl₂–MeOH, 3:1 eluting portion, 30.4 g) was loaded on an RP C₁₈ column eluted with MeOH–H₂O (5:95→100:0) to yield fractions D1–D7. Fraction D5 (MeOH–H₂O, 20:80→50:50 eluting portion, 7.4 g) was subjected to silica gel column chromatography and eluted with EtOAc–acetone (15:1, 10:1, 5:1, 3:1, 2:1, 1:1) and MeOH to yield fractions D5.1–D5.5. Fraction D5.5 (EtOAc–Ac₂O, 10:1→5:1, 2.0 g) was isolated by Sephadex LH-20 column chromatography (MeOH) to yield the primary fraction D5.5.4 (420.9 mg). One-fifth of Fr. D5.5.4 was purified by semipreparative HPLC (CD-Ph column; MeOH–H₂O, 15:85, 1 mL/min) to yield compound **2** (3.9 mg, *t*_R = 71.122 min). Four-fifths of Fr. D5.5.4 was separated into Frs. D5.5.4.1–D5.5.4.5 by semipreparative HPLC (Zorbax RX-C₈ column; MeOH–H₂O, 25:75, 2 mL/min). Fraction D5.5.4.2 (95.2 mg, *t*_R of 11.720–17.187 min) was purified by semipreparative HPLC (CD-Ph column; MeOH–H₂O, 24:76, 1 mL/min) to yield a mixture (20.1 mg, *t*_R = 19.840 min) and compounds **1** (10.5 mg, *t*_R = 25.468 min) and **3** (43.9 mg, *t*_R = 43.347 min). The mixture (20.1 mg, *t*_R = 19.840 min) was isolated by semipreparative HPLC (CD-Ph column; MeCN–H₂O, 10:90, 1 mL/min) to yield compound **4** (12.8 mg, *t*_R = 26.607 min).

Dendrodiglycoside A (1), yellow solid, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -4^\circ$ (*c* 0.2, MeOH). UV (MeOH, λ_{max} , nm) (log ϵ): 335 (4.21), 305 (4.20), 274 (4.24), 218 (4.49), 205 (4.46). ECD (*c* 0.015, MeOH): $\Delta\epsilon_{305 \text{ nm}} +2.28$, $\Delta\epsilon_{272 \text{ nm}} -1.50$, $\Delta\epsilon_{250 \text{ nm}} -1.20$, $\Delta\epsilon_{238 \text{ nm}} -0.81$, $\Delta\epsilon_{216 \text{ nm}} +4.83$. For ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 1. ESI-MS *m/z* 563 [M – H][–]; HR-ESI-MS *m/z* 563.1404 [M – H][–] (calcd for C₂₆H₂₇O₁₄, 563.1406).

Dendrodiglycoside B (2), yellow solid, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -6^\circ$ (*c* 0.1, MeOH). UV (MeOH, λ_{max} , nm) (log ϵ): 336 (3.87), 304 (3.88), 275 (3.91), 217 (4.18), 205 (4.17). ECD (*c* 0.034, MeOH): $\Delta\epsilon_{305 \text{ nm}} +1.12$, $\Delta\epsilon_{275 \text{ nm}} -0.56$, $\Delta\epsilon_{236 \text{ nm}} -0.56$, $\Delta\epsilon_{216 \text{ nm}} +2.40$. For ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 3. ESI-MS *m/z* 587 [M + Na]⁺; HR-ESI-MS *m/z* 563.1403 [M – H][–] (calcd for C₂₆H₂₇O₁₄, 563.1406).

Isoviolanthin (3), yellow solid, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{24} -31^\circ$ (*c* 0.1, MeOH). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol-*d*₄, δ , ppm, J/Hz): 7.91 (2H, d, J = 8.4, H-2', 6'), 6.88 (2H, d, J = 8.4, H-3', 5'), 6.53 (1H, s, H-3), 5.14 (1H, s, H-1'), 5.02 (1H, d, J = 10.0, H-1''), 4.12 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 9.5, H-2''), 4.05 (1H, br.s, H-2'), 3.95 (1H, br.d, J = 11.2, H-6'''a), 3.78 (1H, dd, J = 11.2, 5.6, H-6'''b), 3.67 (1H, dd, J = 9.4, 9.4, H-4''), 3.61 (1H, dd, J = 9.1, 3.1, H-3'), 3.54 (1H, m, H-3'''), 3.53 (1H, m, H-4'), 3.47 (1H, m, H-5'''), 3.44 (1H, m, H-5'), 1.39 (3H, d, J = 5.9, H₃-6'). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, methanol-*d*₄, δ , ppm): 183.9 (C, C-4), 166.5 (C, C-2), 164.8 (C, C-7), 162.9 (C, C-4'), 159.0 (C, C-5), 157.2 (C, C-8a), 130.1 (CH, C-2', 6'), 123.2 (C, C-1'), 117.1 (CH, C-3', 5'), 108.0 (C, C-6), 105.5 (C, C-8), 104.7 (C, C-4a), 103.3 (CH, C-3), 82.8 (CH, C-5'''), 80.3 (CH, C-3'''), 78.9 (CH, C-5'), 77.3 (CH, C-1'), 75.8 (CH, C-3'), 75.3 (CH, C-1''), 73.8 (CH, C-4'), 73.4 (CH, C-2'), 72.9 (CH, C-2'''), 72.4 (CH, C-4''), 63.1 (CH₂, C-6'''), 18.4 (CH₃, C-6'). ESI-MS *m/z*: 601 [M + Na]⁺, 577 [M – H][–].

Apigenin 6-C- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1→2)- α -L-arabinopyranoside (4), yellow solid, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{24} -1^\circ$ (*c* 0.3, MeOH). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol-*d*₄, δ , ppm, J/Hz): 7.83 (2H, br.d, J = 8.7, H-2', 6'), 6.91 (2H, br.d, J = 8.7, H-3', 5'), 6.56 (1H, s, H-3), 4.84 (1H, d, J = 9.9, H-1'), 4.36 (1H, d, J = 7.1, H-1''), 3.99 (1H, br.d, J = 11.9, H-5'a), 3.98 (1H, br.s, H-4'), 3.81 (1H, dd, J = 9.2, 2.6, H-3'), 3.71 (1H, d, J = 11.9, H-5'b), 3.36 (2H, br.s, H₂-6'''), 3.25 (1H, dd, J = 9.1, 9.1, H-3'''), 3.14 (1H, m, H-4'''), 2.90 (1H, dt, J = 9.5, 3.5, H-5'''). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, methanol-*d*₄, δ , ppm): 183.8 (C, C-4), 167.0 (C, C-7), 166.0 (C, C-2), 162.8 (C, C-5), 159.0 (C, C-8a), 129.4 (CH, C-2', 6'), 123.2 (C, C-1'), 117.0 (CH, C-3', 5'), 109.4 (C, C-6), 106.0 (CH, C-1''), 104.5 (C, C-4a), 103.7 (CH, C-3), 79.6 (CH, C-2'), 77.9 (CH, C-3'''), 77.5 (CH, C-5'''), 76.0 (CH, C-2'''), 74.5 (CH, C-1'), 71.9 (CH₂, C-5'), 71.2 (CH, C-4'''), 70.8 (CH, C-4'), 62.5 (CH₂, C-6'''). ESI-MS *m/z*: 587 [M + Na]⁺, 1151 [2M + Na]⁺.

Acidic Hydrolysis of Compound 4. Compound **4** (10.4 mg, 0.0184 mmol) was dissolved in 2 mol/L HCl (3 mL) and stirred at 90°C for 4 h. After cooling, 3 mL of water was added to the reaction mixture, which was then dried under reduced pressure to yield a residue. The residue was purified by Sephadex LH-20 column chromatography (MeOH) to yield D-glucose (2.1 mg, 0.0117 mmol, 63% yield), identified by comparison with an authentic sample using TLC and its optical rotation value: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +8^\circ$ (*c* 0.2, MeOH).

Tyrosinase Inhibitory Activity Assay. This assay was performed according to a previously described procedure [12]. Tyrosinase activity was assayed spectrophotometrically using L-Dopa as the substrate. The assay medium, consisting of 40 μ L mushroom tyrosinase (Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, USA) solution (25 units/mL), 80 μ L of phosphate-buffered saline

(1/15 mol/L, pH 6.8), and 40 μ L sample solution containing 5 mM DMSO or 40 μ L kojic acid (Sigma-Aldrich) or phenylethyl resorcinol (Aladdin Chemical Co. Ltd., Shanghai, China), was mixed in a 96-well microplate and preincubated at 35°C for 5 min. The reaction was then initiated by the addition of 40 μ L L-Dopa solution (1.25 mM final concentration). After incubation for 5 min, the absorbance was measured at 490 nm in an ELISA reader. All samples were tested in triplicate. Kojic acid or phenylethyl resorcinol was used as a positive control. The percentage of tyrosinase inhibition was calculated as follows:

$$\% \text{ Inhibition} = (A - B)/A \times 100,$$

where A = absorbance at 490 nm without a test sample, and B = absorbance at 490 nm with a test sample. The IC₅₀ (50% inventory concentration) was calculated using the Reed and Muench method [13].

Antioxidant Activity Assay. The DPPH radical scavenging activity assay was performed according to a previous method with some modifications [14]. Samples 30 μ L in volume (100 μ g/mL, dissolved in ethanol) and Trolox (25 μ g/mL, dissolved in EtOH) were added to 270 μ L of DPPH solution (100 μ M, dissolved in EtOH). The reaction proceeded for 1 h at 30°C on a 96-well microplate. The absorbance was then read at 515 nm, and the percentage of total radical scavenging activity was calculated using the following formula:

$$\% \text{ Inhibition} = (1 - A_1/A_0) \times 100\%,$$

where A₀ is the absorbance of DPPH without samples (control reaction) and A₁ is the absorbance of DPPH incubated with the samples. All tests were conducted in triplicate. Trolox (Sigma-Aldrich) was used as a positive control agent.

Protein Tyrosine Phosphatase-1 B Inhibitory Activity Assay. The PTP1B inhibitory activity assay was performed according to a previously described method with a PTP1B assay test kit (Millipore Co., MA, USA) [15]. The sample (10 μ L, final concentration 50 μ g/mL), PTP1B enzyme solution (5 μ L, final concentration 0.025 μ g/mL), buffer solution (35 μ L), and substrate insulin receptor-5 (IR5, 50 μ L, final concentration 60 μ M) were added to a 96-well plate, mixed thoroughly, and then incubated at 30°C for 30 min. Next, the phosphate detection reagent Red Assay (25 μ L) was added to terminate the enzymatic reaction. After incubation for 20 min at 30°C, the absorbance was measured at 620 nm using an ELISA reader. The formula for the inhibition rate of PTP1B activity was as follows:

$$\% \text{ Inhibition} = (1 - A_3/A_2) \times 100\%,$$

where A₂ is the absorbance at 620 nm without samples (control reaction) and A₃ is the absorbance at 620 nm with the samples. All tests were conducted in triplicate, and suramin (Sigma-Aldrich) was used as a positive control agent.

α -Glucosidase Inhibitory Activity Assay. The α -glucosidase (Sigma-Aldrich) inhibitory activity assay was performed according to the previously described procedure with some modifications [15]. The sample (final concentration 50 μ g/mL), α -glucosidase solution (final concentration 2.5 μ g/mL), buffer solution, and substrate 4-nitrophenyl α -D-glucopyranoside (Sigma-Aldrich, final concentration 1 mM) were added into the 96-well plate and mixed thoroughly. After incubation for 50 min at 37°C, the absorbance was read at 405 nm. The inhibition rate of α -glucosidase activity was calculated using the following formula:

$$\% \text{ Inhibition} = (1 - A_5/A_4) \times 100\%,$$

where A₄ is the absorbance at 405 nm without samples (control reaction) and A₅ is the absorbance at 405 nm with the samples. All tests were conducted in triplicate, and quercetin (Sigma-Aldrich) was used as a positive control agent.

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