

Kanerocin-3-O- β -D-Glucopyranosyl (1 \rightarrow 4)-O-(L-Arabinopyranosyl (28 \rightarrow 1)- β -D-Glucopyranosyl Ester of Delonix Indica Flower

Abstract

The plant *Delonix Indica* Linn¹⁻³, belongs to natural order papilionales. Different parts of this plant are used in the treatment of ulcers, leprosy swellings, skin diseases, etc. It has also been reported to possess insecticidal and parasiticidal properties.

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Introduction

Extraction and Isolation

The air-dried powdered flowers (2.0 Kg) of *Delonix Indica* were extracted with 95 % hot ethanol. The concentrated extract was evaporated under reduced pressure. The brown syrupy mass obtained was partitioned with benzene, chloroform, acetone, ethyl acetate and methanol. The benzene soluble fraction was concentrated to remove solvent and crude compound obtained was subjected to column chromatography with mixture of different solvents in varying proportions. Fractions eluted with CHCl₃: C₆H₆ (3:2) were mixed and concentrated when saponin AS-I precipitated out. Crystallisation of AS-I with acetone gave light brown coloured crystals which showed a single homogeneous spot on TLC over silica gel using C₆H₆: (CH₃)₂CO: CH₃OH (4:3:3) as solvent system and I₃ vapours as visualising agent.

Aim of the Study

The present paper deals with the isolation and structural characterization of a pentacyclic triterpenoidal saponin, Kanerocin- 3-O-B-D-glucopyranosyl (... \rightarrow 4)-O-a-1 arabinopyranosyl (28 \rightarrow 1)- β -D-glucopyranosyl ester from the flower of this plant.

The compound AS-I analysed for molecular formula C₄₇H₇₄O₁₇ 75.18% , H- 9.87 % , Calculated C-61.97 % , H = 8.13 %) , mp 270- found C 271 and [M⁺1910 (FABMS), It responded positive to all characteristic colour reactions of triterpenoids and also gave positive Molisch's test, confirming it saponin. It's IR spectrum showed absorption bands at to be a triter 3377.8 (free-OH), 2933.9 (C-H str.), 1725.1 (>C=O), 1629.6 (C=C), 1405.6 (- CH₆), 1370.2 (C-H bending), 867.2 (cyclohexane ring). ¹H-NMR (DMSO, 300 MHz) 6 0.73 (3H, s, H-23 Me), 0.83 (3H, s, H-24 Me), 0.87 (3H, s, H-25 Me), 0.90 (3H, s, H-26 Me), 0.92 (3H, s, H-27 Me), 1.59 (3H, s, H-25 Me), 1.67 (3H, s, H-30 Me), 1.24(2H, m, H-1), 1.90 (2H, m, H-2) 3.69 (1H, t, H-3), 1.63 (1H, m, H-5), 1.45 (2H, m, H-6), 1.32 (2H, m, H-7), 1.54 (1H, m H-9), 2.00 (2H, m, H-11), 1.20 (2H, m, H-12), 2.40 (1H, t, H-13), 1.14 (2H, m, H-15), 1.40 (2H, m, H-16), 5.23 (1H, t, H-21), 1.71 (2H, m, H-22), 6.33 (1H, anomeric proton arabinose H-1), 5.23 (1H, anomeric proton glucose). 3.80 4.60 (4H, m, arabinose protons), 4.08-4.48 (5H, m, glucose protons), 6.23 (1H, H-1" anomeric proton glucose), 3.83-4.44 (5H m, glucose protons). ¹³C-NMR (DMSO, 300 MHz) 39.8 (C-1), 26.6 (C-2) 91.6 (C-3), 40.3 (C-4), 56.2 (C-5), 19.3 (C-6), 32.2 (C-7), 42.0 (C-8), 51.8 (C-9), 38.0(C-10), 22.2 (C-11), 31.0 (C-12), 401 (C-13), 42.8 (C-14), 28.8 (C-15), 33.5 (C-16), 50.5 (C-17), 127.7 (C-18), 138.5 (C-19), 141.8 (C-20) (118.2 (C-21), 38.7 (C-22), 16.7 (C-23), 28.7 (C-24), 16.4 (C-25), 16.9 (C-26), 15.2 (C-27), 176.3 (C-28), 23.4 (C-29), 20.7 (C-30), 101.5 (C-1'), 76.8 (C-2'), 72.5 (C-3'), 67.3 (C-4'), 63.1 (C-5'), 92.8 (C-1''), 79.5 (C-2''), 77.3 (C-3''), 70.5 (C-4''), 78.0 (C-5''), 61.1 (C-6''), 105.6 (C-), 79.4 (C-2''), 76.8 (C-3''), 73.5 (C-4''), 76.5 (C-5''), and 70.7 (C-6''). PABMS : m/z 910, 586, 454, 437, 436, 410, 409, 246, 239, 201, 190 and 189.



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Acid hydrolysis of compound AS-I : the saponin AS-I was dissolved in ethanol and treated with 7% H₂SO₄ and refluxed on water bath for 10-12 hrs.

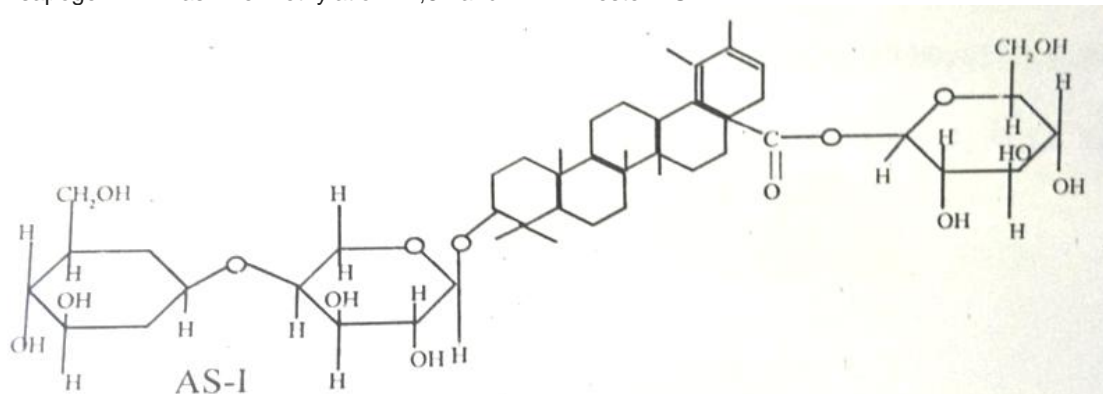
The reaction mixture was concentrated and allowed to cool and the residue was examined separately for was extracted with ether. The aqueous layer was washed with water, identification of sugar portion and etheronl layer evaporated to dryness and the residue was subjected to column chromatography using CHCl₃ : C₆H₆ (3:2) yielded sapogenin AS-I (a), molecular formula CHO Found C- 79.28 % , H-10.14; calcaulted C- 79.29%, H= 10.13]. mp 258° - 259°. [M*] 454 (FABMS). It was identified as Kanerocin by chemical degradation and spectral analysis.⁴ The aqueous hydrolysate obtained, after acid hydrolysis of saponin AS1, was neutralized with BaCO₃ and BaSO₄ to paper was filtered. The filtrate was concentrated and subjected chromatography. The sugars present were identified as Dglucose and L 6 (KU.18 and 0.22)- arabinose Alkaline hydrolysis of AS-I : The saponin AS-I (300 mg) was treated with methanolic KOH (20 ml) and refluxed for 5 hrs. The amorphous mass obtained was dissolved in MeOH and concentrated. Residue obtained was washed with water, evaporated to dryness and crystallized from acetone, yielding prosapogenin AS-I (b), which analysed for mi. f. CH O,m. p. 2360- 2370 IM'] 586 (FABMS) and D-glucose which was i nthe hydrolysate. Acid hydrolysis of Prosapogenin AS-I (b): On acid hydrolysis with 7% H₂SO₄, the prosapogenin AS-I (b) furnished sapogenin AS-I (a) (Kanerocin) and L-arabinose in equimolar ratio. The IABMS of AS-I showed a fragment ion peak at m/z 586 indicating that in prosapogenin, L-arabinose directly attached to C-3-OH of sapogenin. Was Permethylation 7,8 and

hydrolysis of AS-I : 50 mg of saponin AS-I, 5 mg of Mel and 20 mg of Ag₂O in 5 ml of DMF wer: refluxed for 24 hrs. at room temperature and when worked up it yielded sapogenin and methylated sugars identified as 2, 3,4,6 tetra O-methyl, D-glucose and 2,3 di-O-methyl- L-arabinose (COPC and COTLC) in the ratio of 2:1. It also indicated that C4-OH of L-arabinose and C1-OH of D-glucose were involved in formation of the glycoside. Saponin AS-I on graded hydrolysis with Killiani mixture liberated first two molecules of D-glucose followed by one molecule of L-arabinose, suggesting that D-glucose was terminal sugar and L-arabinose was linked to the sapogenin AS-I (a) Compilation of all above facts concluded that saponin AS-I has bisdesmosidic nature and a diasaccharide 4-D- glucopyranosyl L-arabinose was attached via C-1' anomeric hydroxyl of arabinose to C-3-OH of sapogenin and also that a molecule of D-glucose was involved in an ester linkage with -COOH group of sapogenin (Kanerocin).

Enzymatic hydrolysis of saponin AS-I: The saponin AS-I (30 mg) was dissolved in ethanol and treated with almond emulsin (40ml) and the contents were allowed to stand for 4 days at room temperature, when prosapogenin and D-glucose were liberated indicating B-linkage between D-glucose units and prosapogenin. Prosapogenin on further hydrolysis with Takadiastase yielded sapogenin kanerocin and L-arabinose confirming a-linkage between sapogenin and L-arabinose.

Conclusion

Thus the structure of the saponin AS-I was established as; Kanerocin -3-O-B-D-glucopyranosyl (1 4)-0-a-L-arabinopyranosyl (28.>1)-B-D glucopyranosyl ester AS-I



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