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CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS FROM THE ETHYL ACETATE EXTRACT OF *PAEDERIA SCANDENS* (LOUR.) MERR. COLLECTED IN VIETNAM

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Summary

Chemical Constituents from Ethyl Acetate Extract of *Paederia scandens* (Lour.) Merr. Collected in Vietnam

Phytochemical study on the ethyl acetate extract of the rhizomes of *Paederia scandens* (Lour.) Merr. resulted in the isolation of nine compounds: anthraquinone (1), 3,3'-dimethoxyellagic acid 4'-O- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (2), 3',4',7-trihydroxyflavanone (3), betulinic acid (4), kaempferol (5), linarin (6), paederoside (7), quercetin 3-O- α -L-rhamnosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- β -D-glucopyranoside (8), and kaempferol 3-O- β -D-glucopyranoside (9) on the basis of experimental spectral data. Compounds 1, 2, 3, 6, and 8 were reported from *P. scandens* for the first time.

Keywords: *Paederia scandens* (Lour.) Merr., Rubiaceae quercetin glycoside.

1. Introduction

Paederia scandens (Lour.) Merrill belonging to Rubiaceae, is used to treat aches, jaundice, dysentery, and dyspepsia as a folk medicine in the southern region of China, Vietnam, India, and Japan [1]. The roots, leaves, bark, and fruits of this plant have been used for the treatment of toothache, chest pain, inflammation, jaundice, and dysentery [2]. In 1969, Inouye et al. isolated four iridoid glycosides from this species for the first time [3]. From then on, more than 50 compounds have been obtained from *P. scandens*. Among these, iridoid glycosides, flavonoids, and volatile oils are the major constituents [4], which were mainly responsible for the anti-nociceptive, anti-inflammatory, and antitumor activities of *P. scandens* [5],[6],[7].

Quang et al. reported the isolation of anthraquinones and iridoid glycosides from the leaves of *P. scandens* in Vietnam as 1,3-dihydroxy-2,4-dimethoxy-9,10-anthraquinone, 2-hydroxy-1,4-dimethoxy-9,10-anthraquinone, 1-methoxy-2-methoxymethyl-3-hydroxy-9,10-anthraquinone, 1-hydroxy-2-hydroxymethyl-9,10-anthraquinone, paederoside, asperuloside, paederosidic acid, asperulosidic acid, and geniposide [8],[9]. This paper reports the isolation and structural elucidation of five known compounds from this plant, collected in Dong Nai province, Vietnam.

2. Experimental

2.1. Plant material

The rhizomes of *Paederia scandens* (Lour.) Merr. were collected in Dong Nai province,

Vietnam in March 2021 and botanically identified by MSc. Nguyen Van Hieu, Department of Botany, National Institute of Medicinal Materials (NIMM), Hanoi, Vietnam. A voucher specimen (ML-260321) was deposited at NIMM. After collection, the rhizomes were air-dried under the shade and dried at 45°C, then ground into fine powder.

2.2. General experimental procedures

¹H- and ¹³C-NMR were measured in acetone-*d*₆, CD₃OD, CDCl₃, and DMSO-*d*₆ on a Bruker 500, 600 NMR spectrometer (500, 600 MHz for ¹H-NMR and 125, 150 MHz for ¹³C-NMR). Chemical shifts were expressed in δ (ppm) with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. Electrospray Ionization Mass Spectrometry (ESI-MS) spectra were recorded on Agilent 1200 series LC-MSD ion-trap spectrometer. *Silica gel* (Merck, Darmstadt, Germany), particle size 63-200 and 40-63 μ m, were used for column chromatography. TLC was performed on precoated *silica gel* 60 F₂₅₄ plates (Merck); spots were detected by UV radiation or by spraying with 10% aq. H₂SO₄ followed by heating or 5% FeCl₃/EtOH.

3. Extraction and isolation

Air-dried and pulverized rhizomes of *P. scandens* (7.0 kg) were extracted with 90% ethanol by maceration for four days. The extraction was repeated three times. The extracts were combined and evaporated at 50°C under low pressure to obtain an ethanol crude residue. The residue (330.53 g) was suspended in water and successively extracted with *n*-hexane, ethyl acetate, and *n*-butanol. Solvents were then evaporated *in vacuo* to obtain the corresponding *n*-hexane (91.86 g), ethyl acetate (93.57 g), and *n*-butanol extracts (71.43 g).

The ethyl acetate extract (50 g) was divided into fifteen fractions E1→E15 by a *silica gel* column chromatography (CC) eluting with gradient solvent of dichloromethane/methanol (100/1, 50/1, 9/1, 7/1, 5/1, 3/1, 1/1, v/v). Fraction E1 (1.15 g) was chromatographed on a *silica gel* CC and eluted with dichloromethane/acetone (100/1, 50/1, 20/1, 10/1, v/v) to give compound **1** (17 mg).

Fraction E2 (1.27 g) was decolorized by methanol and recrystallized in dichloromethane/acetone (1/1 to give compound **2** (15 mg). Fraction E3 (0.23 g) was removed the color by acetone to give compound **3** (11 mg). Fraction E4 (1.25 g) was washed-out by acetone to give two subfractions E4.1 and E4.2. Subfraction E4.1 was

recrystallized in dichloromethane/methanol (1/1) solvent system to give compound **4** (15 mg). Subfraction E4.2 was subjected to a C-18 resin CC and eluted with MeOH/H₂O (7/3) to give compound **5** (17 mg). Fraction E8 (3.32 g) was separated over a *silica gel* CC and eluted with dichloromethane/methanol 5/1 to give compound **6** (15 mg). Fraction E9 (5.73 g) was submitted to a *silica gel* CC and eluted with gradient solvent of dichloromethane/methanol 20/1, 9/1, 7/1, 5/1 to give ten subfractions E9.1-E9.10. Subfraction E9.6 was decolorized by acetone and recrystallized in dichloromethane/methanol (1/1) to give compound **7** (50 mg). Fraction E10 (3.36 g) was separated over *silica gel* CC and eluted with ethyl acetate/methanol 3/1 to give compound **8** (33 mg). Fraction E12 (4.57 g) was decolorized by acetone to give compound **9** (45 mg).

Anthraquinone (1)

Pale-yellow amorphous powder, mp. 284-286 °C. ESI-MS *m/z*: 209 [M+H]⁺. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃), δ _H (ppm): 8.31 (4H, dd, *J* = 3.6; 6.0 Hz, H-1, H-4, H-5, H-8), 7.80 (4H, dd, *J* = 3.0; 5.4 Hz, H-2, H-3, H-6, H-7). ¹³C-NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃), δ _C (ppm): 183.2 (C-9, C-10), 134.1 (C-4a, C-8a, C-9a, C-10a), 133.6 (C-2, C-3, C-6, C-7), and 127.2 (C-1, C-4, C-5, C-8).

3,3'-Dimethoxyellagic acid 4'-O- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (2)

White amorphous powder, mp. 221-223 °C. ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ _H (ppm): 7.42 (1H, s, H-5), 7.70 (1H, s, H-5'), 4.03 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃, 3'-OCH₃), 4.05 (3H, s, 3'-OCH₃); α -*rham*: 5.54 (1H, d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, H-1"), 3.97 (1H, br s, H-2"), 3.71 (1H, dd, *J* = 3.0; 9.0 Hz, H-3"), 3.36 (1H, m, H-4"), 3.52 (1H, m, H-5"), and 1.15 (1H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, H-6"). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ _C (ppm): 158.3 (C-7), 158.1 (C-7'), 152.8 (C-4), 150.3 (C-4'), 141.8 (C-3'), 141.4 (C-2'), 140.9 (C-2), 140.1 (C-3), 114.0 (C-1'), 112.4 (C-6'), 111.8 (C-6), 111.6 (C-5), 111.6 (C-5'), 110.8 (C-1), 60.9 (3-OCH₃), 61.5 (3'-OCH₃); *rham*: 99.9 (C-1"), 70.1 (C-2"), 75.0 (C-3"), 71.6 (C-4"), 70.3 (C-5"), and 17.9 (C-6").

3',4',7-Trihydroxyflavanone (3)

Yellow amorphous powder. ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD), δ _H (ppm): 5.32 (1H, dd, *J* = 13.0; 3.0 Hz, H-2), 2.70 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.0; 3.0 Hz, H_a-3), 3.00 (1H, dd, *J* = 17.0; 13.0 Hz, H_b-3), 7.75 (1H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H-5), 6.51 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.0; 2.0 Hz, H-6), 6.38 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-8), 6.83 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-2'), 6.95 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-6'), and 6.83 (1H, dd, *J* = 2.0; 8.0 Hz, H-5'). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CD₃OD), δ _C (ppm): 81.0 (C-2), 44.9

(C-3), 193.5 (C-4), 114.9 (C-4a), 129.8 (C-5), 111.8 (C-6), 166.9 (C-7), 103.8 (C-8), 165.5 (C-8a), 132.0 (C-1'), 114.7 (C-2'), 146.8 (C-3'), 146.8 (C-4'), 116.3 (C-5'), and 119.2 (C-6').

Betulinic acid (4)

White crystal. mp. 316-318 °C. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃), δ_H (ppm): 3.19 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.8; 12.0 Hz, H-3), 0.68 (1H, d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, H-5), 3.00 (1H, ddd, *J* = 7.2; 12.6 Hz, H-19), 0.98 (3H, s, H-23), 0.97 (3H, s, H-24), 0.82 (3H, s, H-25), 0.75 (3H, s, H-26), 1.03 (3H, s, H-27), 4.74 (1H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, H_a-29), 4.60 (1H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, H_b-29), 1.69 (3H, s, H-30). ¹³C-NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃), δ_C (ppm): 38.7 (C-1), 27.4 (C-2), 79.0 (C-3), 38.9 (C-4), 55.4 (C-5), 18.3 (C-6), 34.4 (C-7), 40.7 (C-8), 50.4 (C-9), 37.3 (C-10), 20.9 (C-11), 25.6 (C-12), 38.4 (C-13), 42.5 (C-14), 29.7 (C-15), 32.2 (C-16), 56.3 (C-17), 49.3 (C-18), 46.9 (C-19), 150.4 (C-20), 30.6 (C-21), 37.0 (C-22), 28.0 (C-23), 16.1 (C-24), 16.2 (C-25), 15.4 (C-26), 14.7 (C-27), 179.3 (C-28), 109.7 (C-29), 19.4 (C-30).

Kaempferol (5)

Yellow amorphous powder, mp. 276-278 °C. ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD), δ_H (ppm): 6.21 (1H, d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, H-6), 6.42 (1H, d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, H-8), 8.11 (2H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H-2', H-6'), 6.93 (2H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H-3', H-5').

Linarin (6)

Pale yellow amorphous powder, mp. 258-260 °C. ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ_H (ppm): 6.95 (1H, s, H-3), 6.46 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-6), 6.80 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-8), 8.05 (2H, d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, H-2', 6'), 7.17 (2H, d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, H-3', 5'), 3.87 (3H, s, 4'-OCH₃); *glc*: 5.07 (1H, d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, H-1''), *rham*: 4.56 (1H, m, H-1'''), 1.09 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, H-6'''). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆), δ_C (ppm): 164.5 (C-2), 104.3 (C-3), 182.5 (C-4), 161.6 (C-5), 100.4 (C-6), 163.4 (C-7), 95.3 (C-8), 157.5 (C-9), 105.9 (C-10), 123.2 (C-1'), 128.9 (C-2', 6'), 115.2 (C-3', 5'), 162.9 (C-4'), 56.1 (4'-OCH₃); *glc*: 100.4 (C-1''), 73.6 (C-2''), 76.7 (C-3''), 70.1 (C-4''), 76.2 (C-5''), 66.6 (C-6''); *rham*: 101.0 (C-1'''), 70.8 (C-2'''), 71.2 (C-3'''), 72.5 (C-4'''), 68.8 (C-5'''), and 18.3 (C-6''').

Paederoside (7)

White solid, mp. 122-124 °C. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD): δ_H (ppm): 5.96 (1H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, H-1), 7.32 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, H-3), 3.69 (1H, m, H-5), 5.58 (1H, br d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, H-6), 5.76 (1H, br s, H-7), 3.33 (1H, m, H-9), 4.92 (1H, dd, *J* = 14.4; 1.2 Hz, H_a-10), 4.86 (1H, d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, H_b-10), 4.70 (1H, d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, H-1'), 3.21 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.8; 9.0 Hz, H-2'), 3.41 (1H, t, *J* = 13.2 Hz, H-3'), 3.23 (1H, t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, H-4'),

3.37 (1H, m, H-5'), 3.94 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.4; 1.8 Hz, H_a-6'), 3.71 (1H, m, H_b-6'), 2.37 (3H, s, COSCH₃). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD): δ_C (ppm): 93.3 (C-1), 150.3 (C-3), 106.1 (C-4), 37.5 (C-5), 86.2 (C-6), 129.6 (C-7), 143.8 (C-8), 45.3 (C-9), 64.3 (C-10), 172.7 (C-11), 100.1 (C-1'), 74.7 (C-2'), 77.9 (C-3'), 71.6 (C-4'), 78.3 (C-5'), 62.8 (C-6'), 172.5 (COSCH₃), 13.6 (COSCH₃).

Quercetin 3-O-α-L-rhamnosyl-(1→6)-β-D-glucopyranosyl-(1→3)-β-D-glucopyranoside (8)

Yellow amorphous powder, mp. 191-193 °C. ESI-MS *m/z*: 795,2 [M+Na]⁺, C₃₃H₄₀O₂₁. ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD), δ_H (ppm): 6.23 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-6), 6.41 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-8), 7.68 (1H, d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, H-2'), 6.95 (1H, d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, H-5'), 7.56 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.5; 2.0 Hz, H-6'); *glc-1*: 5.30 (1H, d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, H-1''), 3.33 (1H, m, H-2''), 3.77 (1H, s, H-3''), 3.44 (1H, m, H-4''), 3.42 (1H, m, H-5''), 3.83 (1H, dd, *J* = 1.5; 2.0 Hz, H_b-6''), 3.74 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.5; 5.0 Hz, H_a-6''); *glc-2*: 4.78 (1H, d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, H-1'''), 3.42 (1H, m, H-2'''), 3.35 (1H, m, H-3'''), 3.33 (1H, m, H-4'''), 3.60 (1H, m, H-5'''), 3.37 (1H, s, H_a-6''), 3.80 (1H, m, H_b-6''); *α-rham*: 4.51 (1H, d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, H-1'''), 3.50 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.5; 3.5 Hz, H-2'''), 3.60 (1H, m, H-3'''), 3.27 (1H, t, *J* = 9.5 Hz, H-4'''), 3.45 (1H, m, H-5'''), 1.11 (3H, d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, H-6'''). ¹³C-NMR (125 MHz, CD₃OD), δ_C (ppm): 158.5 (C-2), 134.9 (C-3), 179.6 (C-4), 163.1 (C-5), 99.9 (C-6), 165.9 (C-7), 94.9 (C-8), 159.2 (C-9), 105.7 (C-10), 123.23 (C-1'), 116.2 (C-2'), 145.9 (C-3'), 149.8 (C-4'), 117.7 (C-5'), 123.17 (C-6'); *glc-1*: 101.2 (C-1''), 76.99 (C-2''), 82.6 (C-3''), 71.1 (C-4''), 77.9 (C-5''), 62.4 (C-6''), *glc-2*: 104.8 (C-1'''), 75.5 (C-2'''), 78.2 (C-3'''), 71.3 (C-4'''), 77.9 (C-5'''), 68.1 (C-6'''); *rham*: 102.2 (C-1'''), 72.3 (C-2'''), 72.1 (C-3'''), 73.9 (C-4'''), 69.7 (C-5'''), and 17.8 (C-6''').

Kaempferol 3-O-β-D-galactopyranoside (9)

¹H-NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD), δ_H (ppm): 6.23 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, H-6), 6.43 (1H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, H-8), 8.10 (2H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H-2', H-6'), 6.91 (2H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H-3', H-5'); *glc*: 5.15 (1H, d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, H-1''), 3.80 (1H, t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, H-2''), 3.54 (1H, m, H-3''), 3.84 (1H, d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, H-4''), 3.45 (1H, td, *J* = 0.6; 6.0 Hz, H-5''), 3.64 (1H, dd, *J* = 6.0; 11.4 Hz, H_a-6''), 3.55 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.8; 11.4 Hz, H_b-6''). ¹³C-NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD), δ_C (ppm): 158.5 (C-2), 135.6 (C-3), 179.7 (C-4), 163.0 (C-5), 100.0 (C-6), 166.2 (C-7), 94.8 (C-8), 159.1 (C-9), 105.7 (C-10), 122.7 (C-1'), 132.4 (C-2', C-6'), 116.1 (C-3', C-5'), 161.6 (C-4'); *gal*: 105.2 (C-1''), 73.0 (C-2''), 75.0 (C-3''), 70.0 (C-4''), 77.1 (C-5''), and 62.0 (C-6'').

3. Result and discussion

Compounds **1–9** were known compounds, their NMR spectral data were in consistent with those reported [10–16, 18] and the structures were determined as anthraquinone (**1**) [10], 3,3'-dimethoxyellagic acid 4'-*O*- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (**2**) [11], betulinic acid (**4**) [12], kaempferol (**5**) [13], paederoside (**7**) [14], and kaempferol 3-*O*- β -D-galactopyranoside (**9**) [15].

An examination of its NMR data and a comparison with the literature [16] suggested that compound **3** was a flavanone. Thus, its ^1H -NMR spectrum revealed characteristic resonances of aromatic protons such as δ_{H} 7.75 (1H, d, $J = 9.0$ Hz, H-5), 6.51 (1H, dd, $J = 9.0; 2.0$ Hz, H-6), 6.38 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-8) (A ring) and 6.83 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-2'), 6.83 (1H, dd, $J = 2.0; 8.0$ Hz, H-5'), 6.95 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-6') (B ring). The weak coupling constants of H-6 and H-8 were in agreement with the existence of the hydroxyl group at C-7 (δ_{C} 166.9). The presence of signals at δ_{H} 5.32 (1H, dd, $J = 13.0, 3.0$ Hz, H-2), 2.70 (1H, dd, $J = 17.0, 3.0$ Hz, H-3a), 3.00 (1H, dd, $J = 17.0, 13.0$ Hz, H-3b) in the ^1H -NMR spectrum was structural characterization of a flavanone. The chemical shift values of **3** were similar to those of 3',4',7-trihydroxyflavanone [17].

Compound **6** was isolated as a pale yellow amorphous powder. Analysis of NMR spectra suggested a flavonoid skeleton for compound **6**. The ^1H -NMR spectrum indicated a 5,7-dihydroxylated pattern for A ring (two *meta*-coupled doublets at δ_{H} 6.46 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-6), and 6.80 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-8) and a 4'-methoxylation pattern for B ring with resonance signals at δ_{H} 8.05 (2H, d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, H-2', 6'), 7.17 (2H, d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, H-3', 5'), 3.87 (3H, s, H-4'-OCH₃) allowing the aglycon to be recognized as acacetin [18]. The ^1H -NMR spectrum of **6** also showed signals ascribable to sugar moieties. Two anomeric protons arising from the sugar moieties appeared at δ_{H} 5.07 (1H, d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, H-1'') and 4.56 (1H, m, H-1''') which correlated respectively with signals at δ_{C} 100.4 (C-1'') and 101.0 (C-1''') ppm in the HSQC spectrum. All the ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR signals of **6** were assigned using HSQC and HMBC experiments. Complete assignments of proton and carbon chemical shifts of the sugar portion, based on chemical shifts and spin-spin coupling constants of the proton anomers allowed the identification of the sugar moieties as β -D-glucopyranosyl and α -L-rhamnopyranosyl units [19]. Unequivocal information could be obtained by 2D-NMR spectra; the HMBC experiment

indicated correlations between δ_{H} 4.56 (H-1''') and δ_{C} 66.6 (C-6''), δ_{H} 5.07 (H-1'') and δ_{C} 163.4 (C-7). Thus, the structure of **6** was determined as acacetin-7-*O*- β -D-rutinoside (linarin). The NMR spectral data were inconsistent with those reported [20].

Compound **8** was obtained as a yellow amorphous powder, mp. 191–193°C. The structure of compound **8** was established by EI-MS, 1D, and 2D-NMR spectra. This compound was assigned the molecular formula C₃₃H₄₀O₂₁ from the positive ESI-MS spectrum showing a [M+Na]⁺ peak at m/z 795.2. The ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectra showed the characteristic signals of a flavone 3-*O*-triglycoside. Quercetin (3,5,7,3',4'-pentahydroxyflavone) aglycone was indicated by two *meta*-coupled signals at δ_{H} 6.23 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-6) and 6.41 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-8) for the A ring and an ABX pattern system for the B ring: δ_{H} 7.68 (1H, d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, H-2'), 6.95 (1H, d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, H-5'), 7.56 (1H, dd, $J = 8.5; 2.0$ Hz, H-6'). The structure of the triglycoside was determined by analysis of ^1H -, ^{13}C -NMR, and HMBC spectra. One rhamnosyl moiety was indicated by the anomeric proton at δ_{H} 4.51 (1H, d, $J = 1.0$ Hz, H-1'''), the anomeric carbon at δ_{C} 102.2 (C-1'''), and a methyl group at δ_{C} 17.8. The presence of two D-glucosyl moieties was apparent from two anomeric protons at δ_{H} 4.78 (1H, d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, H-1'') and 5.30 (1H, d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, H-1'') and the corresponding carbon signals at δ_{C} 104.8 (C-1'') and 101.2 (C-1''). The two glucosyl moieties were deduced to be both β -config.d from the J values of the anomeric protons ($J = 7.5$ Hz) [21]. The rhamnosyl moiety was linked to the terminal of the outer glucosyl moiety from the significantly downfield shifted signal of C-6''' (δ_{C} 68.1) and HMBC correlations between H-1''' and C-6'''. The glucosyl moiety substituted by the rhamnosyl moiety was attached to the hydroxyl group at C-3'' of the inner glucosyl moiety, according to the downfield shifted signal of C-3'' at δ_{C} 82.6 and HMBC correlations between H-1''' and C-3''. Linkage of the inner glucosyl moiety to C-3 of the aglycone was determined from the C-3 signal at δ_{C} 134.9, which was significantly upfield shifted signal compared with the aglycone [22]. Furthermore, the correlation between H-1'' (δ_{H} 5.30) and C-3 (δ_{C} 134.9) was observed in the HMBC spectrum (see Fig. 1). Thus, the structure of compound **8** was established as quercetin 3-*O*- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- β -D-glucopyranoside [23].

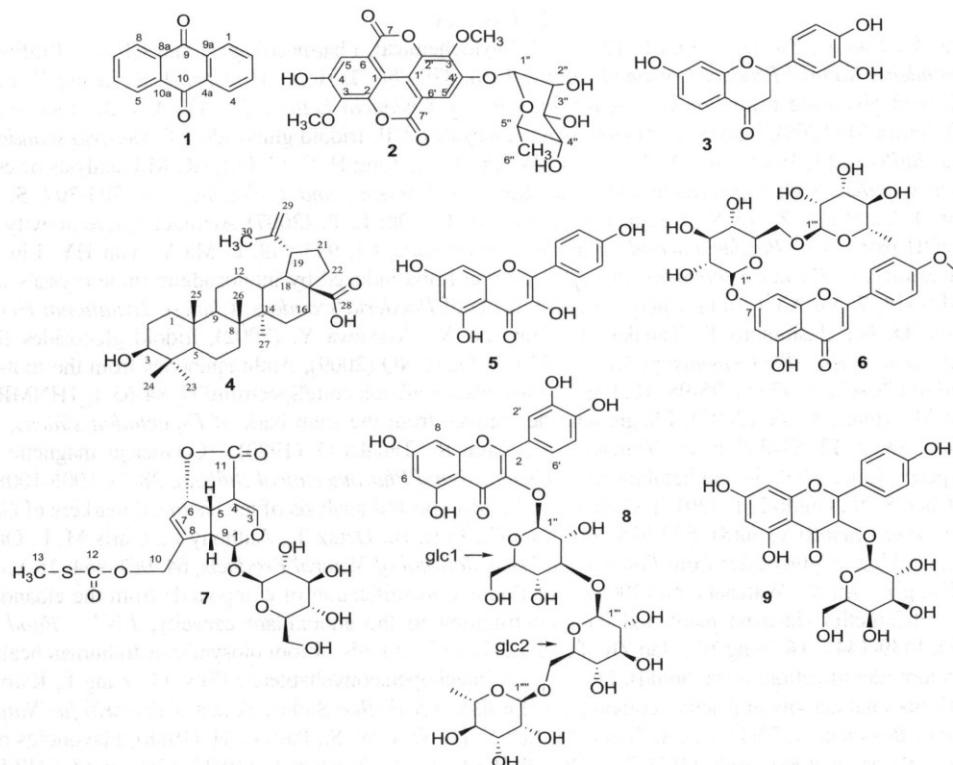


Fig. 1. Structure of compounds 1-8 from the ethyl acetate extract of *P. scandens*

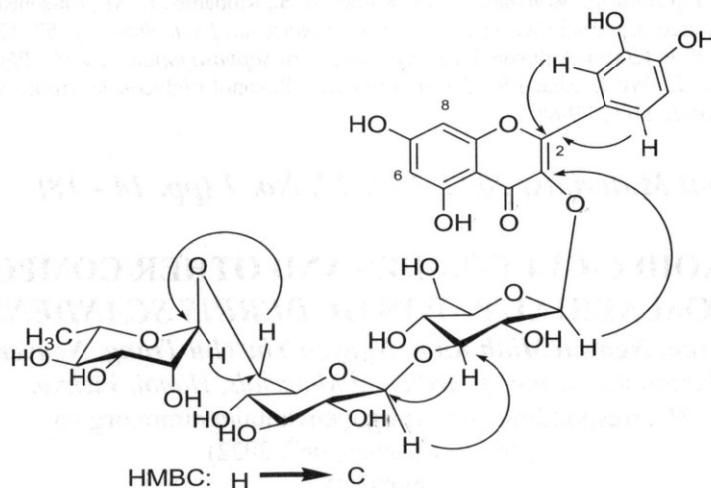


Fig. 2. HMBC correlation of compound 8

4. Conclusion

Nine compounds were isolated from the rhizomes of *P. scandens* collected at Dong Nai, Vietnam. Their chemical structures were identified as anthraquinone (1), 3,3'-dimethoxyellagic acid 4'-O- α -L-rhamnopyranoside (2), 3',4',7-trihydroxyflavanone (3), betulinic acid (4), kaempferol (5), linarin (6), paederoside (7), quercetin-3-O- α -L-rhamnosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 3)- β -D-glucopyranoside (8), kaempferol 3-O- β -D-galactopyranoside (9) on

the basis of 1D-, 2D-NMR spectral analysis and in comparison with the published NMR data. Of these, compounds 1, 2, 3, 6, 8 were isolated from this plant for the first time.

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FLAVONOID C-GLUCOSIDES AND OTHER COMPOUNDS FROM AERIAL PARTS OF *DERRIS SCANDENS*

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Summary

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Six compounds were isolated and characterized from aerial parts of *Derris scandens*. Their structures were elucidated by spectroscopic techniques as heneicosan-1-ol (1), lupenone (2), behenic acid (3), rutin (4), 6-C-glucopyranosylquercetin (5), and 8-C-glucopyranosylquercetin (6). Except for rutin, other compounds were reported for the first time in the genus *Derris*.

Keywords: *Derris scandens*, 6-C-glucopyranosylquercetin, 8-C-glucopyranosylquercetin, rutin.

1. Introduction

Derris scandens (Roxb.) Benth. (Family Leguminosae) is distributed in Southeast Asia and Australia [1]. In India and Thailand, the stem was widely used in traditional medicine as an anti-tussive, diuretic, expectorant, anti-dysentery agent and for treatment of muscle pains, cough, and diarrhea [1],[2]. The powder and hydroalcoholic extract of *D. scandens* stem were recorded in the National List of Essential

Medicines of Thailand for the treatment of muscle pain, low back pain, and knee osteoarthritis. *D. scandens* may be considered as an alternative for musculoskeletal pain reduction because of efficaciousness and safety [2]. Previous studies indicated the presence of coumarins, flavones, isoflavones, and their glycosides... as chemical constituents from *D. scandens* [1],[3]. To the best of our knowledge, there is no report on the chemical constituents