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Chemical Constituents from the Fruits of Cicuta virosa L. var. latisecta Celak

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In this paper, the chemical constituents from the fruits of *Cicuta virosa* L. var *latisecta* Celak were isolated and characterized. Isolation and purification were carried out on the column chromatography of silica gel and Sephadex LH-20. Twelve compounds were isolated and identified as rel-(3S, 4S, 5S)-3-[(2R)-2-hydroxydocosanoyl-pentacosanoylaminol]-4-hydroxyl-5-[(4Z)-tetradecane-4-ene]-2, 3, 4, 5-tetra-hydrofuran (**1a-1d** mixture), quercetin (**2**), isorhamnetin (**3**), isorhamnetin-3-O- β -D-glucopyranoside (**4**), (24R)-cycloart-25-ene-3,24-diol (**5**) and (24S)-cycloart-25-ene-3,24-diol (**6**) mixture, (6H,7H)- α -spinasterone (**7**), 2,3-dihydrooenanthetol (**8**) and *n*-tricasanoic acid (**9**).

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Cicuta virosa L. var. latisecta Celak (Umbelliferae) is a popular spice plant mainly distributed in Jiangsu province of China. The fruit locally named shiluozi in Chinese has been used as spice and a folk remedy for the treatment of dyspepsia for a long history¹. In previous reports, we investigated its chemical components and found nine known constituents²⁻⁵ from the aerial part of herb. The chemical study on the fruit of this plant was undertaken in our laboratory and nine compounds were isolated from the ethanolic extract of the fruit. In this paper, we report the isolation and structural elucidation of the nine compounds from the fruit of C. virosa L. var latisecta Celak. The nine compounds were rel-(3S, 4S, 5S)-3-[(2R)-2hydroxydocosanoyl-pentacosanoylaminol]-4-hydroxyl-5-[(4Z)-tetradecane-4-ene]-2,3,4,5-tetra-hydrofuran (1a-1d mixture), quercetin (2), isorhamnetin (3), isorhamnetin-3-O- β -D-glucopyranoside (4), (24R)-cycloart-25-ene-3,24-diol (5) and (24S)-cycloart-25-ene-3,24-diol (6) mixture, (6H,7H)-αspinasterone (7), 2,3-dihydrooenanthetol (8), *n*-tricasanoic acid (9). Compound 1a-1d was a mixture of cerebrosides. Compounds 5 and 6 were enantiomers. All above compounds were obtained from the fruit of C. virosa L. var latisecta Celak for the first time.

¹H NMR (500 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) spectra were recorded with Brucher ACF-500 NMR spectrometers. Mass spectra were obtained on MS Agilent 1100 Series LC/ MSD Trap Mass spectrometer (ESI-MS). All solvents used were of analytical grade. Column chromatography was performed with: macroporous resin D101(Tian-jin Hongyuan Chemical Co. Ltd., Tianjin, China), silica gel(100-200, 200-300 mesh) and GF₂₅₄ silica gel for TLC; (Qing-dao Marine Chemical Co. Ltd., Qingdao, China), Sephadex LH-20 (Pharmacia Fine Chemical Co. Ltd.) and ODS- C_{18} (Merck).

Plant material: The fruits of *C. virosa* L. var *latisecta* Celak (15 kg) were collected in Xinghua county of Jiangsu province, China, in July 2007 and were identified by Prof. Qian Shihui. A voucher specimen was deposited in the Jiangsu Academy of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Extraction and isolation: The dried fruits of *C. virosa* L. var *latisecta* Celak (15 kg) were reflux with 80 % (v/v) ethanol three times and the alcohol was evaporated in vacuum. The residue (1700 g) was suspended in water and partitioned with petroleum ether and ethyl acetate. The ethyl acetate-soluble fraction (142 g) was subjected to silica gel column chromatography, eluted with CHCl₃-MeOH(100:1, 98:2, 95:5, 10:1, 8.5:1.5, 8:2,7:3, 1:1) gradiently. The fractions was subjected to repeated silica gel, Sephadex LH-20 and ODS column chromatography and further purified by recrystallization. At last compounds 1a-1d (87 mg), 2 (115 mg), 3 (203 mg), 4 (80 mg), 5 and 6 (30 mg), 7 (70 mg), 8 (35 mg) and 9 (74 mg) were obtained.

Compounds $1a \sim 1d$ Amorphous white powder (Acetone); EI-MS m/z 678 [Md+H]⁺, 664 [Mc+H]⁺, 650 [Mb+H]⁺, 635 [Ma]⁺, 384 [Md-sphingoid moiety +3H]⁺, 370 [Mc-sphingoid moiety +3H]⁺, 356 [Mb-sphingoid moiety +3H]⁺, 339 [Ma-sphingoid moiety]⁺, 280 [sphingoid mieoty $-H_2O + 2H$]⁺, 262 [sphingoid mieoty-2H₂O + 2H]⁺. ¹H NMR (C₅D₅N, 300 MHz) δ : 8.48 (1H, d, J = 7.1 Hz, NH), 4.52 (1H, m, H-2 β), 3.92 (1H, m, H-2α), 4.77 (1H, m, H-3), 4.32 (1H, m, H-4), 4.14 (1H, m, H-5), 1.72 (2H, m, H-6), 1.60 (1H, m, H-7a), 1.72 (1H, m, H-7β), 2.01 (2H, m, H-8α and 11α), 2.07 (2H, m, H-8β and 11β), 5.46 (2H, m, H-9 and 10), 4.64 (1H, dd, J = 7.8, 3.7 Hz, H-2'), 2.24 and 2.03 (2H, m, H-3'), 1.72 (2H, m, H-4'), 1.25 and 1.30 (54H, br.d, CH₂), 0.87 (6H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (C₅D₅N, 75 MHz) δ: 71.63 (C-2), 51.87 (C-3), 74.61 (C-4), 86.06 (C-5), 33.79 (C-6), 26.40 (C-7), 32.88 (C-8), 130.37 (C-9), 131.05 (C-10), 32.92 (C-11), 175.51 (C-1'), 72.54 (C-2'), 35.58 (C-3'), 25.86 (C-4'), 22.95-32.11 (CH₂), 14.28 (CH₃ \times 2). Compound **1a-1d** was identified as a mixture of cerebrosides of rel-(3S, 4S, 5S)-3-[(2R)-2- hydroxydocosanoyl-pentacosanoylaminol]-4-hydroxyl-5-[(4Z)tetradecane-4-ene]-2,3,4,5-tetrahydrofuran by comparison of physical and spectral data with literature⁶.

Compound **2** yellow powder (MeOH); ESI-MS m/z 300.9 [M-H]⁻, 150.7, 178.7, ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 500 MHz) δ : 12.48 (-OH-5), 9.52 (br, -OH × 4), 6.41 (1H, d, J =1.7 Hz, H-8), 6.19 (1H, d, J = 1.7 Hz, H-6), 7.68 (1H, d, J = 1.9 Hz, H-2'), 6.89 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-5'), 7.54 (1H, dd, J = 8.5, 1.9 Hz, H-6'). Compound **2** was identified as quercetin by comparison of physical and spectral data with literature⁷.

Compound **3** yellow powder (MeOH); ESI-MS m/z 314.9 [M-H]⁻, 399.8 [M-H-CH₃]⁻, ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6 , 500 MHz) δ : 12.51 (OH-5), 9.77 (br, OH × 3), 6.53 (1H, d, J = 1.7 Hz, H-8), 6.25 (1H, d, J = 1.7 Hz, H-6), 7.81 (1H, d, J = 1.6 Hz, H-2'), 6.99 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-5'), 7.75 (1H, dd, J = 8.5, 1.6 Hz, H-6'), 3.89 (3H, s, OCH₃). Compound **3** was identified as isorhamnetin by comparison of physical and spectral data with literature⁸.

Compound **4** yellow granular crystal (MeOH); ESI-MS m/z 477.1 [M-H]⁻, 479.1 [M+H]⁺, 313.9 [M-H-Glc]⁻. ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 300 MHz) δ: 12.61 (s, OH-5), 10.84 (s, OH-7), 9.76 (s, OH-4'), 6.45 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, H-8), 6.22 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, H-6), 7.95 (1H, d, J = 1.9 Hz, H-2'), 6.93 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, H-5'), 7.51 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 1.9 Hz, H-6'), 3.85 (3H, s, OCH₃), 5.57 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, H-glc 1"). ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆, 75 MHz) δ: 156.45 (C-2), 133.21 (C-3), 177.61 (C-4), 161.42 (C-5), 98.89 (C-6), 164.33 (C-7), 93.88 (C-8), 156.58 (C-9), 104.25 (C-10), 121.29 (C-1'), 113.73 (C-2'), 147.10 (C-3'), 149.60 (C-4'), 115.41 (C-5'), 122.25 (C-6'), 101.02 (C-1''), 74.53 (C-2''), 76.64 (C-3''), 70.06 (C-4''), 77.63 (C-5''), 60.84 (C-6''), 55.90 (OCH₃). Compound **4** was identified as isorhamnetin-3-O-β-D-glucopyranoside by comparison of physical and spectral data with literature⁹.

Compound **5** and **6** white lamellae crystal (CHCl₃); ESI-MS m/z 443.3 [M+H]⁺, 441.1 [M-H]⁻. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ : 0.56 (1H, d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, H-19 β), 0.33 (1H, d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, H-19 α), 0.96 (3H, s), 0.96 (3H, s), 0.89 (3H, s), 0.80 (3H, s), 0.88 (3H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, H-21), 1.72 (3H, s, H-27), 4.93 (1H, br, H-26), 4.83 (1H, br, H-26), 4.01 (1H, m, H-24), 3.27 (1H, m, H-3). The compounds were identified as isorhamnetin by cycloartane triterpene aglycone by the data of ¹H NMR and were identified as mixture by the 37 C cignals of ¹³C NMR. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 31.89 (C5-1), 31.95 (C6-1), 30.37 (C-2), 78.81 (C-3), 40.46 (C-4), 47.10 (C-5), 21.09 (C-6), 28.11 (C5-7), 28.06 (C6-7), 47.95 (C-8), 19.98 (C-9), 26.08 (C-10), 25.99 (C-11), 35.54 (C-12), 45.27 (C-13), 48.79 (C-14), 32.88 (C-15), 26.46 (C-16), 52.17 (C-17), 18.00 (C-18), 29.86 (C-19), 35.93 (C5-20), 35.89 (C6-20), 18.31 (C5-21), 18.30 (C6-21), 31.95 (C5-22), 31.89 (C6-22), 31.51 (C5-23), 31.66 (C6-23), 76.33 (C-24), 147.49 (C5-25), 147.77 (C6-25), 111.33 (C5-26), 110.84 (C6-26), 17.19 (C5-27), 17.58 (C6-27), 19.30 (C-28), 13.98 (C-29), 25.42 (C-30). Compound **5** and **6** were identified as (24R)-cycloart-25-ene-3,24-diol and (24S)-cycloart-25-ene-3,24-diol by comparison of physical and spectral data with literature¹⁰.

Compound **7** white needle crystal (MeOH); ESI-MS m/z 413.4 [M+H]⁺. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz) δ: 5.02 (1H, dd, H-22), 5.05 (1H, dd, H-23),0.69 (3H, s), 0.80 (3H, s), 1.02 (3H, d), 1.00 (3H, d), 0.85 (3H, d), 0.81 (3H, d). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz) δ: 38.59 (C-1), 38.19 (C-2), 212.03 (C-3), 44374 (C-4), 46.74 (C-5), 28.99 (C-6), 31.73 (C-7), 53.88 (C-8), 35.43 (C-9), 35.68 (C-10), 21.45 (C-11), 39.82 (C-12), 42.51 (C-13), 56.91 (C-14), 24.30 (C-15), 28.99 (C-16), 56.10 (C-17), 11.49 (C-18), 12.26 (C-19), 40.46 (C-20), 21.05 (C-21), 138.24 (C-22), 129.37 (C-23), 51.24 (C-24), 31.87 (C-25), 18.99 (C-26), 21.17 (C-27), 25.38 (C-28), 12.21 (C-29). Compound **7** was identified as (6H, 7H)-α-spinasterone by comparison of physical and spectral data with literature¹¹.

Compound **8** reddish brown oil; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz) δ : 3.73 (2H, t, J = 6.1 Hz, H-1), 1.79 (2H, tt, J = 6.1, 6.7 Hz, H-2), 2.46 (2H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, H-3), 5.48 (1H, d, J = 15.6 Hz, H-8), 6.66 (1H, dd, J = 15.6, 10.6 Hz, H-9), 6.09 (1H, dd, J = 15.1, 10.6 Hz, H-10), 5.84 (1H, dt, J = 15.1, 7.0 Hz, H-11), 2.11 (2H, dt, J = 7.0, 7.2 Hz, H-12), 1.38 (2H, m, H-13), 1.28 (6H, m, CH₂× 3), 0.87 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz, H-17). Compound **8** was identified as **2**, 3-dihydrooenanthetol by comparison of physical and spectral data with literature¹².

Compound **9** White powder; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz) δ : 11.13 (1H, br), 2.46 (2H, t), 1.64 (2H, m), 0.89 (3H, t), 1.25 (38H, m). Compound **9** was identified as n-tricasanoic acid by physical and spectral data.

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