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New Benzofuran Oligomers from the Roots of *Eupatorium heterophyllum* Collected in China

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Abstract: The chemical constituents of two root samples of *Eupatorium heterophyllum* DC. collected in Yunnan Province, China, were investigated. Five new oligomeric benzofurans (1–5), nine new benzofuran/dihydrobenzofuran derivatives, and a new thymol analog were isolated, and their structures were determined using extensive spectroscopic techniques, such as 1D and 2D NMR spectroscopy and DFT calculations of the CD spectra. Most of the new compounds, including oligomeric benzofurans (1–5), were obtained from only one of the root samples. Furthermore, this is the first example that produces oligomeric benzofurans in this plant. These results imply that diversification of secondary metabolites in *E. heterophyllum* is ongoing. Plausible biosynthetic pathways for 1–5 are also proposed.

Keywords: *Eupatorium heterophyllum*; Asteraceae; benzofuran oligomer; structure elucidation; Hengduan mountain



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1. Introduction

Plants in the Hengduan mountains area are useful for studying plant diversity and evolution. We have been studying inter- and intra-specific diversity in chemical constituents of some Asteraceae plants growing in this area, including *Ligularia* [1,2], *Cremanthodium* [3], *Saussurea* [4,5], and *Eupatorium* [6–9]. To date, the presence of intra-specific diversity has been discovered at various levels in most species, affording numerous new compounds produced by limited populations within a species.

Eupatorium heterophyllum DC. (Asteraceae) is a perennial herb widely distributed in the Hengduan Mountains, including in the Yunnan, Sichuan, and Gansu provinces and the Xizang Autonomous Region of China [10]. Only our group has previously reported detailed phytochemical studies on this plant [6–9]. Sesquiterpene lactones were isolated as major constituents from several samples of the aerial parts of *E. heterophyllum* collected in northwestern Yunnan and southwestern Sichuan [7], and benzofurans were isolated from the roots of this species in northwestern Yunnan [6] and northern Sichuan [8]. The characteristics of the chemical compositions are similar to those of *E. chinense* [11–13], suggesting that *E. heterophyllum* and *E. chinense* are related chemotaxonomically. Intra-specific diversity in the root chemicals of *E. heterophyllum* was observed in minor constituents, and a variety of benzofuran/dihydrobenzofuran derivatives, propynyl thiophenes, acetylenic compounds, and oxygenated thymol were obtained. Benzofurans are a significant group of heterocyclic compounds with wide ranges of biological activities [14], such as antibacterial [15], antifungal [16,17], and antifeedant activities [18,19]. These findings prompted us to conduct additional phytochemical studies on this plant growing in other locations. In this study, two additional root samples of *E. heterophyllum* were collected at different locations in Yunnan Province of China as part of our ongoing research into the chemical diversity of the genus *Eupatorium*. Fifteen new compounds, including five benzofuran

oligomers (1–5), were isolated from the MeOH extract of the roots of the collected samples. Herein, we report the isolation and structural elucidation of these compounds. Plausible biosynthetic pathways for 1–5 are also proposed.

2. Results and Discussion

2.1. Samples

Two *E. heterophyllum* samples were collected in Lanping County (sample 1) and Lijiang City (sample 2) of Yunnan Province. These sampling locations were approximately 50–100 km southeast from those of our previous Yunnan samples [6]. The dried roots of each sample were cut into pieces and extracted with MeOH, and the compounds were separated using silica-gel column chromatography and normal-phase HPLC to yield 49 compounds, 15 of which were new. The structures of the new compounds (1–5, 14, 17, 21, 25, 26, 31, 32, 34, 36, and 39) were elucidated as follows.

2.2. Structure Elucidation

Compound 1 was obtained as yellow amorphous powder. The $[M+Na]^+$ peak at m/z 489.1527 in HRFABMS revealed that its molecular formula is $C_{26}H_{26}O_8$. The presence of hydroxy (3416 cm^{-1}) and conjugated carbonyl (1651 cm^{-1}) groups suggested using the IR spectrum. The ^1H NMR spectrum (Table 1) revealed resonances attributable to two hydroxy groups [δ_{H} 11.72 (1H, s) and 2.84 (1H, br s)], an aromatic proton [δ_{H} 7.14 (1H, s)], two oxymethines [δ_{H} 5.34 and 5.00 (each 1H, s)], an exo-methylene [δ_{H} 5.10 and 4.94 (each 1H, s)], and two methyls [δ_{H} 2.88 and 1.79 (each 3H, s)]. These spectroscopic features were very similar to those of 29 [8], except for the appearance of a singlet aromatic proton signal and the disappearance of a pair of *ortho*-coupled aromatic proton signals in the ^1H NMR spectrum of 1. Only 13 carbon resonances, including a carbonyl, three methines, a methylene, two methyls, and six quaternary carbons (Table 1), were detected in the ^{13}C NMR and HSQC spectra that 1 exhibited. Moreover, 1 exhibited adequate negative optical rotation ($[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} -23.9$). These observations and the molecular formula of 1 suggest that 1 is a homodimer of 29 with a symmetrical structure, in which the benzene rings of each monomeric unit are directly connected. The structure of the monomeric unit and its connection to another unit via C-6 and C-6' was established from the ^1H ^1H COSY and HMBC correlations shown in Figure 1, which were further supported by the downfield shift of C-6 to δ_{C} 130.3 and the NOESY correlation between 5-OH and H-7'. The relative stereochemistry of 1 was proposed to be 2,3-*trans*, based on the small $J_{\text{H-2-H-3}}$ (br s) observed [20,21], as well as the NOE correlation between H-2 and 3-OH; H-3 and H-11/H₃-12. Therefore, the relative structure of compound 1 was established, as shown in Figure 1.

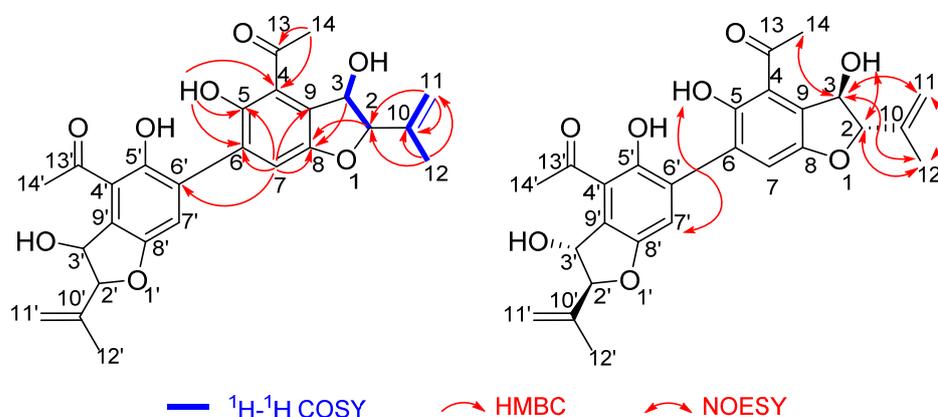


Figure 1. Key 2D NMR correlations for 1.

Table 1. ^1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C (126 MHz) NMR data of **1–3** in CDCl_3 .

1				2				3			
Position	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}	Position	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}	Position	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}
2, 2'	5.00	(1H, br s)	92.9	2	5.04	(1H, br s)	92.2	2	4.97	(1H, br s)	91.86
3, 3'	5.34	(1H, br s)	77.7	3	5.21	(1H, br s)	76.3	3	5.06	(1H, br s)	76.22
4, 4'			119.2	4			128.1	4			126.31
5, 5'			153.4	5			148.8	5			149.28
6, 6'			130.3	6	6.91	(1H, d, 8.8)	122.1	6	6.76	(1H, d, 8.8)	118.89
7, 7'	7.14	(1H, s)	119.8	7	7.03	(1H, d, 8.8)	115.5	7	6.88	(1H, d, 8.8)	114.94
8, 8'			153.4	8			157.2	8			156.35
9, 9'			126.6	9			130.3	9			129.56
10, 10'			141.1	10			141.4	10			141.24 ^(a)
11, 11'	5.10	(1H, s)	112.6	11	5.10	(1H, s)	112.0	11	5.04	(1H, s)	112.14
	4.94	(1H, s)			4.92	(1H, s)			4.88	(1H, s)	
12, 12'	1.79	(3H, s)	17.8	12	1.78	(3H, s)	17.6	12	1.72	(3H, s)	17.51
13, 13'			204.6	13			202.0	13			202.48
14, 14'	2.88	(3H, s)	31.1	14	2.69	(3H, s)	32.1	14	2.49	(3H, s)	32.23
3-OH, 3'-OH	2.84	(1H, br s)		3-OH	4.37	(1H, br s)		3-OH	4.46	(1H, d, 1.2)	
5-OH, 5'-OH	11.72	(1H, s)		2'	4.95	(1H, br s)	93.0	2'	5.06	(1H, br s)	92.72
				3'	5.29	(1H, dd, 7.1, 2.6)	77.5	3'	5.24	(1H, dd, 3.4, 1.7)	75.98
				4'			119.2	4'			130.41
				5'			148.0	5'			147.93
				6'			147.2	6'			139.88
				7'	6.66	(1H, s)	106.4	7'	6.81	(1H, s)	107.59
				8'			153.0	8'			157.70
				9'			120.6	9'			126.03
				10'			141.0	10'			141.09
				11'	5.04	(1H, s)	112.5	11'	5.13	(1H, s)	112.23
					4.92	(1H, s)			4.96	(1H, s)	
				12'	1.75	(3H, s)	17.7	12'	1.82	(3H, s)	17.74
				13'			203.6	13'			201.64
				14'	2.86	(3H, s)	31.3	14'	2.67	(3H, s)	30.98
				3'-OH	2.93	(1H, d, 7.1)		3'-OH	4.32	(1H, d, 1.7)	
				5'-OH	10.49	(1H, s)		2''	4.91	(1H, br s)	93.22
								3''	5.14	(1H, dd, 9.3, 2.4)	77.28
								4''			118.39
								5''			146.83
								6''			146.83
								7''	6.58	(1H, s)	104.86
								8''			152.60
								9''			120.32
								10''			141.09 ^(a)
								11''	4.98	(1H, s)	112.06
									4.87	(1H, s)	
								12''	1.71	(3H, s)	17.67
								13''			204.18
								14''	2.78	(3H, s)	32.22
								3''-OH	4.04	(1H, d, 9.3)	
								5''-OH	11.25	(1H, s)	

(a) interchangeable.

Compound **2** was obtained as yellow amorphous powder. The same molecular formula of $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_8$ as compound **1** was determined using HRFABMS and ^{13}C NMR data. The IR spectrum indicated the presence of hydroxy (3411 cm^{-1}) and conjugated carbonyl (1656 cm^{-1}) groups. The UV spectrum showed maximum absorptions at 222 and 337 nm.

The ^1H NMR spectrum (Table 1) revealed three hydroxy groups [δ_{H} 10.49 (1H, s), 4.37 (1H, br s), and 2.93 (1H, d, 7.1 Hz)], three aromatic protons [δ_{H} 7.03 (1H, d, 8.8 Hz), 6.91 (1H, d, 8.8 Hz), and 6.66 (1H, s)], four oxymethines [δ_{H} 5.29 (1H, dd, 7.1, 2.6 Hz), 5.21 (1H, br s), 5.04 (1H, s), and 4.95 (1H, br s)], two exo-methylenes [δ_{H} 5.10, 5.04, 4.92 and 4.92 (each 1H, s)], and four methyls [δ_{H} 2.86, 2.69, 1.78 and 1.75 (each 3H, s)]. The ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **2** revealed twenty-six carbon signals, including two carbonyls, seven methines, two methylene, four methyls, and eleven quaternary carbons (Table 1). These observations, along with the ^1H ^1H COSY and HMBC correlations (Figure 2), indicated that **2** is composed of two 2,3-dihydrobenzofuran moieties, similar to **29** [8]. The connection of the two benzofuran moieties via an ether bond between C-5 and C-6' in **2**

was confirmed by the disappearance of the 5-OH signal in the ^1H NMR spectrum and the NOESY correlations between H-7' and H-6/H₃-14. Based on a similar consideration as **1**, the relative stereochemistry of C-2/C-3 and C-2'/C-3' was discovered to be *trans*. Therefore, the relative structure of compound **2** was determined as depicted in Figure 2.

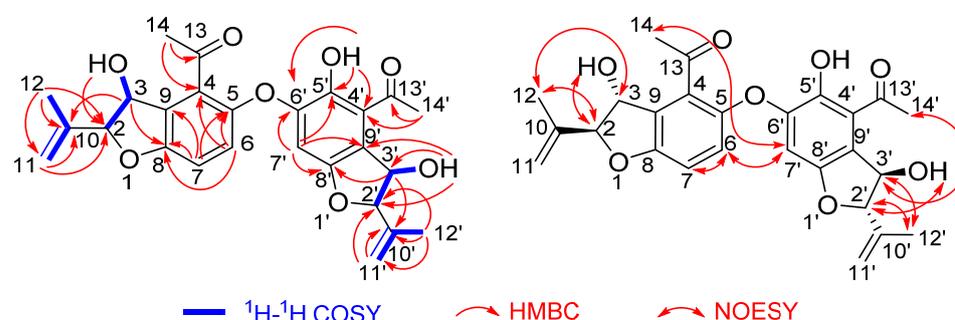


Figure 2. Key 2D NMR correlations for **2**.

Compound **3** was obtained as yellow amorphous powder, and its molecular formula, $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{38}\text{O}_{12}$, was calculated from the $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ ion peak observed at m/z 721.2260 in HR-FABMS. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **3** (Table 1) revealed signals attributable to the three 2,3-dihydrobenzofuran moieties, indicating that **3** is a trimeric benzofuran derivative. The comparison of the NMR data of **3** with those of **2** implied that **3** shares a common structure with **2** and is connected to another 2,3-dihydrobenzofuran unit (Figure 3). The linkages of the benzofuran units via oxygen atoms between C-5 and C-6' and between C-5' and C-6'' were determined by NOESY correlations between H₃-14 and H-7'/H-7''; H₃-14' and H-7'''. Therefore, the relative structure of compound **3** was determined, as shown in Figure 3.

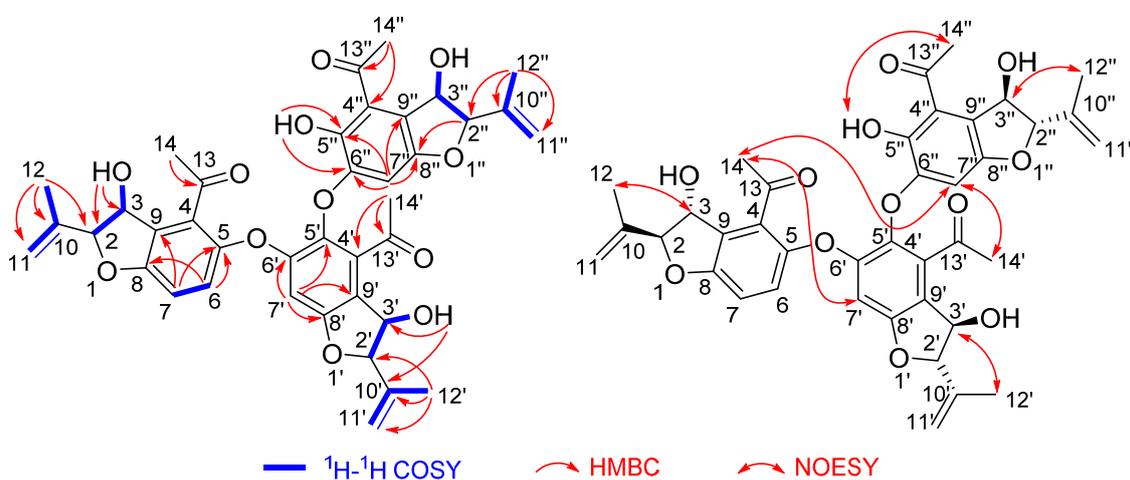


Figure 3. Key 2D NMR correlations for **3**.

Because compounds **1**–**3** were considered oligomers of **29**, their absolute configurations were determined by comparing their ECD spectra to that of **29** [8]. As shown in Figure 4, the experimental ECD spectra of **1**–**3** and **29** are in good agreement with the theoretical ECD spectrum of (2*S*,3*R*)-**29**. Therefore, the absolute configurations of **1**–**3** were established to be (2*S*,3*R*,2'*S*,3'*R*)-**1**, (2*S*,3*R*,2'*S*,3'*R*)-**2**, and (2*S*,3*R*,2'*S*,3'*R*,2''*S*,3''*R*)-**3**, respectively. The calculated ECD spectra of (2*R*,3*R*)-**29** and each optimized conformer of (2*S*,3*R*)-**29** are shown in Supplementary Materials: Figures S19 and S20.

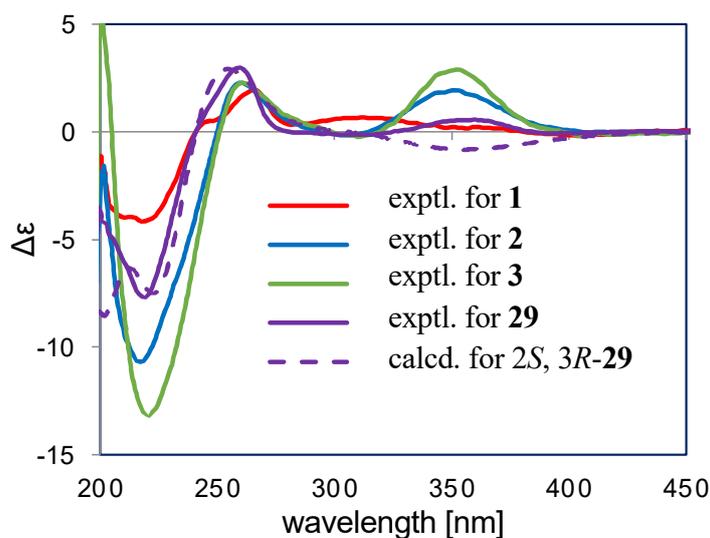


Figure 4. Experimental ECD spectra of 1–3 and 29 and calculated ECD spectrum of 2*S*,3*R*-29.

Compound **4** was obtained as yellow amorphous powder. Its molecular formula was determined to be $C_{26}H_{24}O_7$ by the $[M + H]^+$ peak at m/z 449.1600 in its HRFABMS, indicating 15 degrees of unsaturation. Its 1H and ^{13}C NMR data (Table 2), as well as the HMBC correlations (Figure 5) from H-4 to C-3/C-6/C-8/C-13; 6-OH to C-5/C-6/C-7; H-4' to C-6'/C-8'/C-13', and 6'-OH to C-5'/C-6'/C-7', suggested that **4** consists of two 5-acetyl-6-hydroxybenzofuran units, such as euparin (**15**) [22,23], one of the major constituents of this plant [9]. Furthermore, the 1H 1H COSY cross-peak between H₂-11/H-3', HMBC correlations from H₂-11 to C-2/C-10/C-2'/C-3'/C-9', and the molecular formula of **4** indicated that these benzofuran units are linked by a tetrahydrofuran ring composed of C-10 (δ_C 84.6), C-11 (δ_C 43.1), C-3' (δ_C 49.8), C-2' (δ_C 122.8), and oxygen between C-10 and C-2'. The NOESY correlations of H-3'/H₃-12', H₃-12/H-11'a, H₃-12'/H-11'b, H-11a/H-3, and H-11a/H-4' and the coupling constants of H-3' [δ_H 3.87 (1H, d, 8.8 Hz)], H-11a [δ_H 2.84 (1H, dd, 13.2, 1.2 Hz)], and H-11b [δ_H 2.45 (1H, dd, 13.2, 8.8 Hz)] established the relative configurations as (1*S**,2'*S**,3'*R**)-**4** (Figure 5).

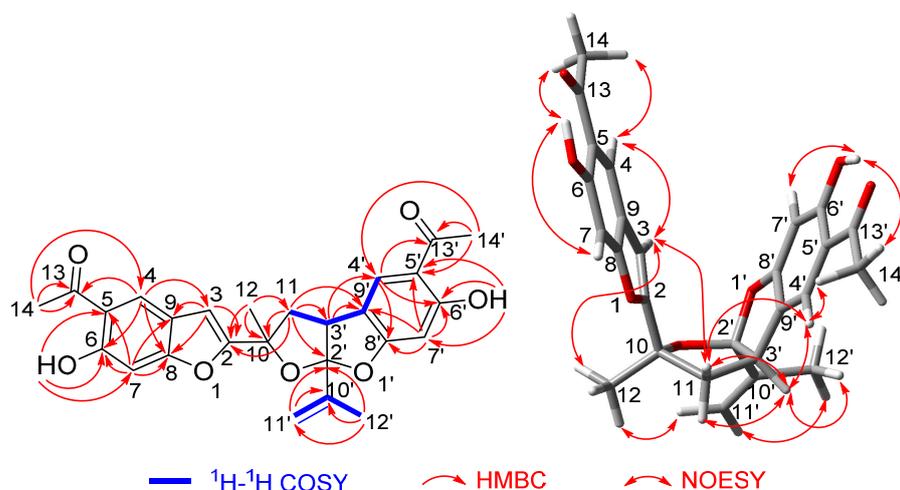


Figure 5. Key 2D NMR correlations for **4**.

Table 2. ^1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C (126 MHz) NMR data of **4** and **5** in CDCl_3 .

4				5			
Position	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}	Position	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}
2			160.2	2			161.7
3	6.31	(1H, d, 0.8)	102.3	3	6.35	(1H, s)	99.0
4	7.70	(1H, s)	123.5	4	6.94	(1H, s)	106.5
5			116.8	5			158.7
6			160.8	6			115.4
7	6.79	(1H, br s)	99.1	7	7.70	(1H, s)	111.0
8			159.2	8			147.3
9			120.8	9			137.5
10			84.6	10			104.7
11	2.84	(1H, dd, 13.2, 1.2)	43.1	11	7.37	(1H, s)	144.4
	2.45	(1H, dd, 13.2, 8.8)		12	2.82	(1H, dddd, 16.2, 11.2, 6.0, 1.8)	18.9
	1.74	(3H, s)	27.9		2.44	(1H, dddd, 16.2, 5.4, 2.6, 1.0)	
12			204.0	13			203.4
13			26.9	14	2.66	(3H, s)	26.7
14	2.64	(3H, s)		5-OH	12.26	(1H, s)	
6-OH	12.42	(1H, s)		1'			129.6
2'			122.8	2'	7.47	(1H, d, 1.9)	110.0
3'	3.87	(1H, d, 8.8)	49.8	3'			146.7
4'	7.30	(1H, d, 1.0)	126.0	4'			151.6
5'			113.9	5'			108.1
6'			165.9	6'	7.58	(1H, d, 1.9)	127.1
7'	6.17	(1H, s)	97.9	7'			78.4
8'			165.5	8'			94.8
9'			120.9	9'			71.9
10'			141.7	10'	2.29	(1H, ddd, 13.5, 6.0, 2.6)	33.2
11'	5.46	(1H, s)	113.8		2.02	(1H, ddd, 13.5, 11.2, 5.4)	
	5.10	(1H, t, 1.5)		11'	1.79	(3H, s)	28.1
	1.86	(3H, s)	18.2	12'			196.1
12'			201.8	13'	2.53	(3H, s)	26.2
13'			26.1	3'-OCH ₃	3.92	(3H, s)	56.3
14'	2.44	(3H, s)		4'-OH	6.28	(1H, s)	
5'-OH	12.76	(1H, s)					

Compound **5** was obtained as yellow amorphous powder. The $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ peak at m/z 461.1601 in HRFABMS determined its molecular formula to be $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_7$, indicating 16 degrees of unsaturation. The IR spectrum revealed the presence of hydroxy (3245 cm^{-1}) and conjugated carbonyl groups (1672 cm^{-1}), as well as an acetylenic moiety (2225 cm^{-1}).

The ^1H NMR spectrum of **5** exhibited signals derived from two hydroxy groups [δ_{H} 12.26 and 6.28 (each 1H, s)], six aromatic/olefinic protons [δ_{H} 7.70 (1H, s), 7.58 (1H, d, 1.9 Hz), 7.47 (1H, d, 1.9 Hz), 7.37 (1H, s), 6.94 (1H, s), and 6.35 (1H, s)], two methylenes [δ_{H} 2.82 (1H, dddd, 16.2, 11.2, 6.0, 1.8 Hz), 2.44 (1H, dddd, 16.2, 5.4, 2.6, 1.0 Hz), 2.29 (1H, ddd, 13.5, 6.0, 2.6 Hz), and 2.02 (1H, ddd, 13.5, 11.2, 5.4 Hz)], a methoxy group [δ_{H} 3.92 (3H, s)], and three methyls [δ_{H} 2.66, 2.53, and 1.79 (each 3H, s)] (Table 2). The ^{13}C NMR spectrum revealed 27 carbon signals, including two carbonyls, six methines, two methylenes, four methyls, and thirteen quaternary carbons (Table 2). These observations indicated that the structure of **5** is composed of benzofuran and acetylenic moieties, such as **27** [24] and **37** [6], respectively. The substitution pattern of the benzene rings in **5** were determined from the HMBC correlations shown in Figure 6. Moreover, the ^1H ^1H COSY correlation between H_2 -12 and H_2 -10', as well as the HMBC correlations from H_2 -10' to C-10 and from H-11 to C-9', revealed the presence of a dihydropyran ring linking the benzofuran and acetylenic parts. The conformation of the dihydropyran ring was established by the NOE correlations shown in Figure 6.

Compounds **4** and **5** exhibited significantly weaker Cotton effects in their experimental ECD spectra than the calculated spectra of (10*S*,2'*S*,3'*R*)-**4** and (9'*R*)-**5** (Figure S33a), respectively, indicating that they are racemates. To confirm this, chiral HPLC analyses of **4** and **5** were performed, resulting in the detection of enantiomers in a ratio of approximately 1:1 for **4** and **5** (Figure S33b).

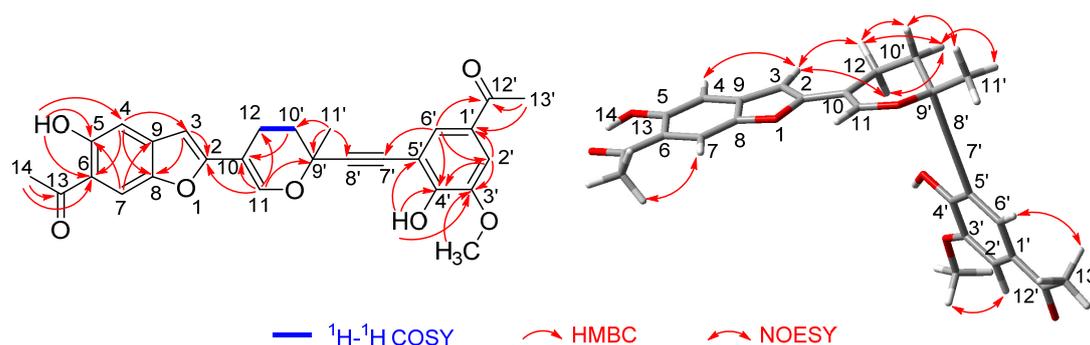


Figure 6. Key 2D NMR correlations for 5.

Compound **14** was obtained as colorless amorphous powder. Based on the $[M+H]^+$ peak at m/z 291.1231 in its HRFABMS, its molecular formula was determined to be $C_{16}H_{18}O_5$. The 1H and ^{13}C NMR data (Table 3) were similar to those of known compound **13** [25]; however, the appearance of signals attributed to a propionyl group [δ_H 2.31 (2H, q, 7.6 Hz), 1.12 (1H, t, 7.6 Hz); δ_C 174.1, 27.7, 9.0] in the NMR spectrum of **14** instead of those attributed to an isobutanoyl group in **13** suggested that **14** was a 3-propionyloxy analog of **13** (Figure 7). The 2,3-*cis* nature was indicated by $J_{2,3}$ (6.4 Hz) [20,21] and the NOE correlation between H-2 and H-3 (Figure 8). Therefore, the structure of compound **14** was determined as shown in Figure 8.

Table 3. 1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C (126 MHz) NMR data of **14**, **17**, and **21** in $CDCl_3$.

Position	14			17			21		
	δ_H	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_C	δ_H	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_C	δ_H	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_C
2	5.14	(1H, d, 6.4)	89.2			160.6	5.47	(1H, d, 6.1)	88.4
3	6.26	(1H, d, 6.4)	72.2	6.64	(1H, d, 1.0)	102.5	5.67	(1H, d, 6.1)	81.9
4	7.81	(1H, s)	130.0	7.93	(1H, s)	123.7	7.81	(1H, s)	129.2
5			114.7			117.0			114.8
6			166.7			161.1			167.0
7	6.46	(1H, s)	98.9	6.99	(1H, br s)	99.8	6.38	(1H, s)	98.5
8			166.7			159.5			166.8
9			117.8			120.8			118.3
10			138.0			71.3			145.3
11	5.20	(1H, d, 1.0)	114.7	4.53	(1H, d, 11.5)	69.7	4.36	(1H, d, 12.5)	69.2
	5.12	(1H, d, 1.0)		4.38	(1H, d, 11.5)		4.22	(1H, d, 12.5)	
12	1.81	(3H, s)	19.2	1.67	(3H, s)	23.9	5.56	(1H, s)	112.9
							5.38	(1H, s)	
13			202.7			204.0			202.5
14	2.57	(3H, s)	26.4	2.69	(3H, s)	26.9	2.58	(3H, s)	26.3
1'			174.1			167.9			
2'	2.31	(2H, q, 7.6)	27.7			127.1			
3'	1.12	(3H, t, 7.6)	9.0	6.09	(1H, qq, 7.3, 1.4)	139.5			
4'				1.89	(3H, dq, 7.3, 1.4)	15.8			
5'				1.83	(3H, quint, 1.4)	20.5			
6-OH	13.04	(1H, s)		12.46	(1H, s)		12.99	(1H, s)	

Compound **17** was obtained as yellowish amorphous powder. Its molecular formula was determined to be $C_{18}H_{20}O_6$ by the $[M + Na]^+$ peak at m/z 355.1160 in its HRFABMS. The 1H and ^{13}C NMR data of **17** (Table 3) were similar to those of known compound **19** [26], except for the presence of additional signals assignable to an angeloyloxy group [δ_H 6.09 (1H, qq, 7.3, 1.4 Hz), 1.89 (3H, dq, 7.3, 1.4 Hz), 1.83 (3H, quint, 1.4); δ_C 167.9, 127.1, 139.5, 15.8, 20.5]. The downfield shift of H₂-11 [δ_H 4.53 (1H, d, 11.5 Hz), 4.38 (1H, d, 11.5 Hz)] was also observed in the 1H NMR spectrum of **17**. Therefore, **17** was determined to be an 11-O-angeloyl derivative of compound **19**, as supported by the HMBC correlations shown in Figure 7, particularly from H₂-11 to C-1'.

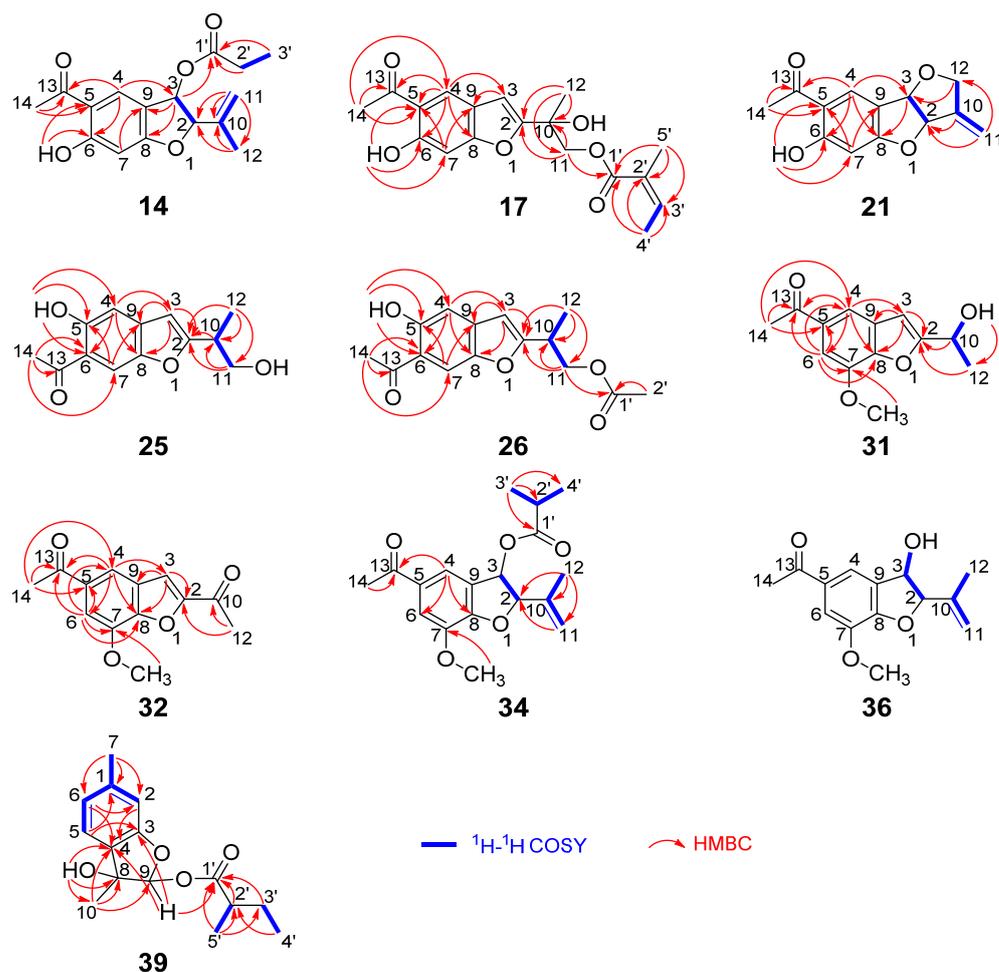


Figure 7. Key ^1H ^1H COSY and HMBC correlations for 10 new compounds.

Compound **21** was obtained as yellow amorphous powder. Its molecular formula was determined to be $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4$ based on the $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ peak at m/z 233.0814 in its HRFABMS. Careful comparison of the ^1H NMR data of **21** (Table 3) with those of platypodantherone [27] revealed that **21** was a 6-*O*-demethyl derivative of platypodantherone because of the absence of a methoxy signal and the appearance of a hydrogen-bonded phenolic hydroxy signal (δ_{H} 12.99). This structure was confirmed by the HMBC from H_2 -12 to C-3 and other 2D NMR correlations (Figure 7).

The molecular formulae of compounds **25** and **26** were determined to be $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$ and $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5$, respectively, using HRFABMS. The structural similarity of compound **25** to that of 11-hydroxy-10,11-dihydro-euparin [28] was deduced from the ^1H NMR data (Table 4); however, the resonance of an aromatic proton (δ_{H} 7.78) was slightly downfield-shifted in **25** as compared to that of 11-hydroxy-10,11-dihydro-euparin. The HMBC and NOESY correlations (Figures 7 and 8) revealed compound **25** as a 6-acetyl-5-hydroxy-isomer of 11-hydroxy-10,11-dihydro-euparin. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **26** were distinguished from those of **25** by the presence of acetate-derived signals [δ_{H} 2.05 (3H, s); δ_{C} 170.9, 20.9] and the downfield-shift of H_2 -11 [δ_{H} 4.36 (1H, dd, 11.0, 6.8 Hz), 4.27 (1H, dd, 11.0, 6.3 Hz)] (Table 4). Therefore, **26** was identified as an 11-*O*-acetyl derivative of **25**, which was further supported by the HMBC correlation from H_2 -11 to C-1' (Figure 7).

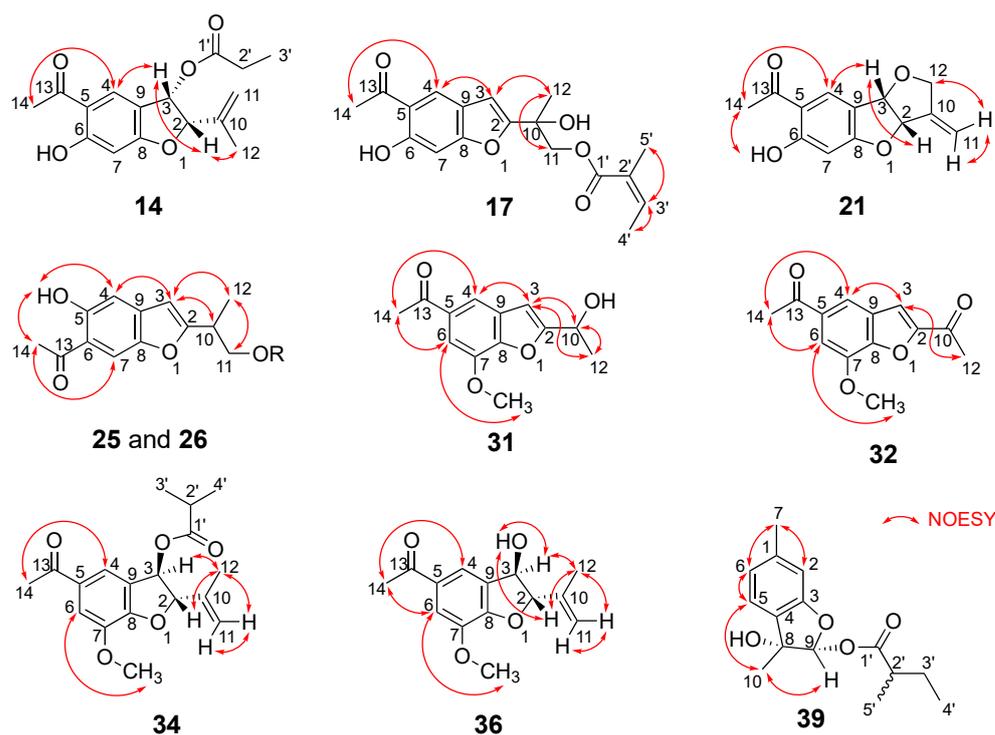


Figure 8. Key NOESY correlations for 10 new compounds.

Table 4. ^1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C (126 MHz) NMR data of **25**, **26**, **31**, and **32** in CDCl_3 .

Position	25			26			31			32		
	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}
2			166.8			165.7			162.0			154.2
3	6.46	(1H, s)	102.8	6.42	(1H, s)	102.6	6.70	(1H, s)	102.7	7.56	(1H, s)	112.9
4	7.01	(1H, s)	107.4	7.01	(1H, s)	107.5	7.80	(1H, d, 1.5)	115.9	7.93	(1H, d, 1.5)	117.4
5			158.4			158.4			133.8			134.7
6			115.8			115.9	7.48	(1H, d, 1.5)	105.5	7.62	(1H, d, 1.5)	108.0
7	7.78	(1H, s)	111.8	7.78	(1H, s)	111.8			145.3			146.2
8			147.8			147.7			146.8			147.8
9			136.7			136.7			129.4			128.3
10	3.18	(1H, sext, 6.5)	36.9	3.32	(1H, sext, 6.8)	33.7	5.06	(1H, m)	64.0			188.6
11	3.88	(2H, m)	66.0	4.36	(1H, dd, 11.0, 6.8)	66.3						
				4.27	(1H, dd, 11.0, 6.3)							
12	1.39	(3H, d, 7.1)	14.9	1.39	(3H, d, 7.1)	15.4	1.66	(3H, d, 6.6)	21.4	2.66	(3H, s)	26.7
13			203.7			203.8			197.6			197.1
14	2.68	(3H, s)	26.7	2.68	(3H, s)	26.7	2.66	(3H, s)	26.6	2.68	(3H, s)	26.6
1'						170.9						
2'				2.05	(3H, s)	20.9						
5-OH	12.16	(1H, s)		12.16	(1H, s)							
7-OCH ₃							4.06	(3H, s)	56.1	4.08	(3H, s)	56.2
10-OH							2.18	(1H, d, 4.9)				

Compounds **31** and **32** were obtained as yellow amorphous powders. From the $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ peaks at m/z 235.0970 and 233.0814 in their HRFABMS, their molecular formulae were determined to be $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$ and $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4$, respectively. The presence of the 5-acetyl-7-methoxybenzofuran core in the structures of **31** and **32** was deduced from their ^1H and

^{13}C NMR spectra (Table 4) and HMBC correlations (Figure 7). Furthermore, the ^1H ^1H COSY correlations between H₃-12/H-10/10-OH in **31** and the HMBC correlations from H₃-12 to C-2/C-10 in **31** and **32** revealed that a 1-hydroxyethyl group was substituted at C-2 in **31**, whereas an acetyl group was substituted in **32**. Therefore, the structures of **31** and **32** were established, as shown in Figure 8.

The molecular formulae of compounds **34** and **36** were determined to be C₁₈H₂₂O₅ and C₁₄H₁₆O₄, respectively, using HRFABMS. Their ^1H and ^{13}C NMR data (Table 5) suggested structural similarities to the known compound **33** [6]; however, the signals derived from an angeloyloxy group in **33** were replaced by those of an isobutanoyloxy group [δ_{H} 2.57 (sept, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 1.20 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz), 1.17 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz); δ_{C} 176.8, 33.9, 18.9, 18.8] in **34** and a hydroxy group [δ_{H} 2.16 (1H, d, 7.8)] in **36**. The 2,3-*trans* nature was indicated by $J_{2,3}$ (2.8 Hz in **34** and 4.0 Hz in **36**), which was the same value as $J_{2\beta,3\alpha}$ in **33** [6] and 7-hydroxytoxol [29,30], respectively. This stereochemistry was supported using the NOESY correlations between H-3 and H₃-12 (Figure 8).

Table 5. ^1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C (126 MHz) NMR data of **34**, **36**, and **39** in CDCl₃.

Position	34			36 ^(a)			39	
	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{H} (Major/Minor)	(mult., J in Hz)	δ_{C} (Major/Minor)
1								141.60
2	5.13	(1H, d, 2.8)	92.1	5.04	(1H, d, 4.0)	6.761	(1H, d, 0.5)	111.67
3	6.17	(1H, d, 2.8)	77.3	5.22	(1H, dd, 7.8, 4.0)			158.47
4	7.62	(1H, d, 1.5)	120.7	7.65	(1H, d, 1.5)			127.58
5			N.D. ^(b)			7.222	(1H, d, 7.6)	122.68
6	7.59	(1H, d, 1.5)	113.0	7.57	(1H, d, 1.5)	6.848	(1H, dd, 7.6, 0.5)	123.07
7			144.8			2.353	(3H, s)	21.72
8			154.0					79.73
9			N.D. ^(b)			6.506	(1H, s)	104.85/104.80
10			140.5			1.626	(3H, s)	20.12
11	5.10	(1H, s)	114.1	5.13	(1H, d, 0.8)			
12	4.98	(1H, s)	17.5	4.97	(1H, d, 0.8)			
13	1.76	(3H, s)	196.4	1.76	(3H, s)			
14	2.56	(3H, s)	26.4	2.58	(3H, s)			
1'			176.8					175.28
2'	2.57	(1H, sept, 7.1)	33.9			2.407/2.398	(1H, sext, 7.0)	41.02/40.97
3'	1.20	(3H, d, 7.1)	18.9			1.688	(1H, m)	26.49/26.35
4'						1.498	(1H, m)	
5'	1.17	(3H, d, 7.1)	18.8			0.913/0.907	(3H, t, 7.0)	11.42
3-OH				2.16	(1H, d, 7.8)	1.157/1.164	(3H, d, 7.0)	16.07/16.38
7-OCH ₃	3.96	(3H, s)	56.2	3.96	(3H, s)			
8-OH						2.033/2.036	(1H, s)	

^(a) ^{13}C NMR was not measured due to a small amount. ^(b) N.D. = not detected.

Compound **39** was obtained as white amorphous powder. Its molecular formula was determined to be C₁₅H₂₀O₄ by the quasi-molecular ion at m/z 247.1334 [M-H₂O+H]⁺ in its HRFABMS. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **39** were closely related to those of 3,9 β -epoxy-9 α -isobutanoyloxymenhta-1,3,5-trien-8a-ol, a recently reported thymol derivative [8], except for the disappearance of the signals attributable to an isobutanoyloxy group substituted at C-9 and the appearance of those of a 2-methylbutanoyloxy group (Table 5). The relative configuration of the furan moiety was determined by the NOESY correlation between H-9 and H₃-10 (Figure 8). A detailed analysis of the ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **39** revealed that it was a mixture of C-2' epimers (*ca.* 3:1 based on the integration of ^1H NMR signals).

The structures of 34 known compounds, including 24 benzofurans (**6** [23], **7** [31], **8** [8], **9** [25], **10** [32], **11** [29], **12** [33], **13** [25], **15** [22,23], **16** [34], **18** [35], **19** [26], **20** [36], **22** [15,37], **23** [8], **24** [8], **27** [24], **28** [38], **29** [8], **30** [39], **33** [6], **35** [40], **37** [6], and **38** [6]), 4 thiophenes (**40** [41], **41** [41], **42** [8], **43** [6]), 2 triterpenoids (**44** [42] and **45** [43]), and 4 other aromatic compounds (**46** [44], **47** [45], **48** [46], **49** [47]) were identified by comparing their NMR data with those reported in the literature (Figure 9).

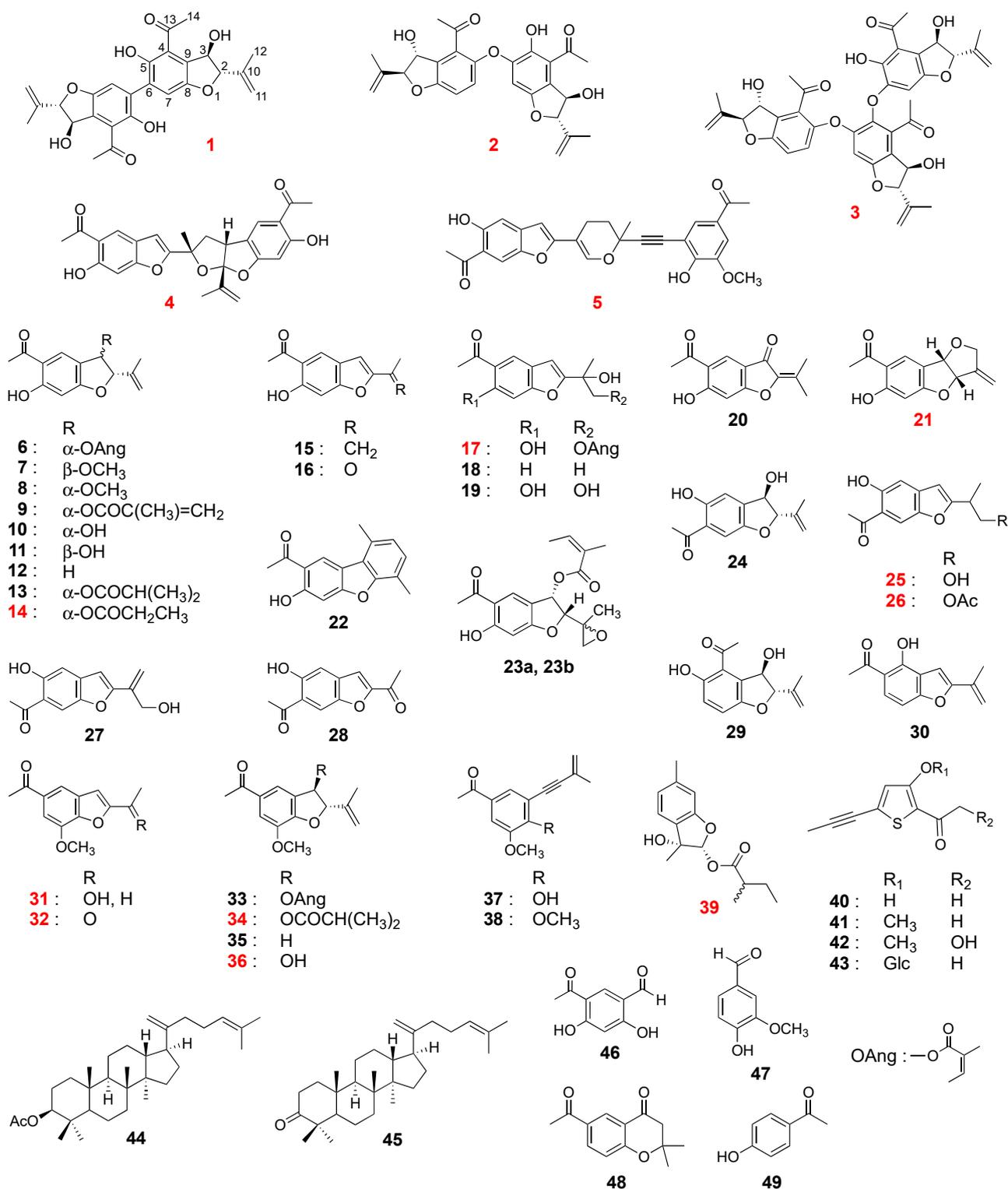
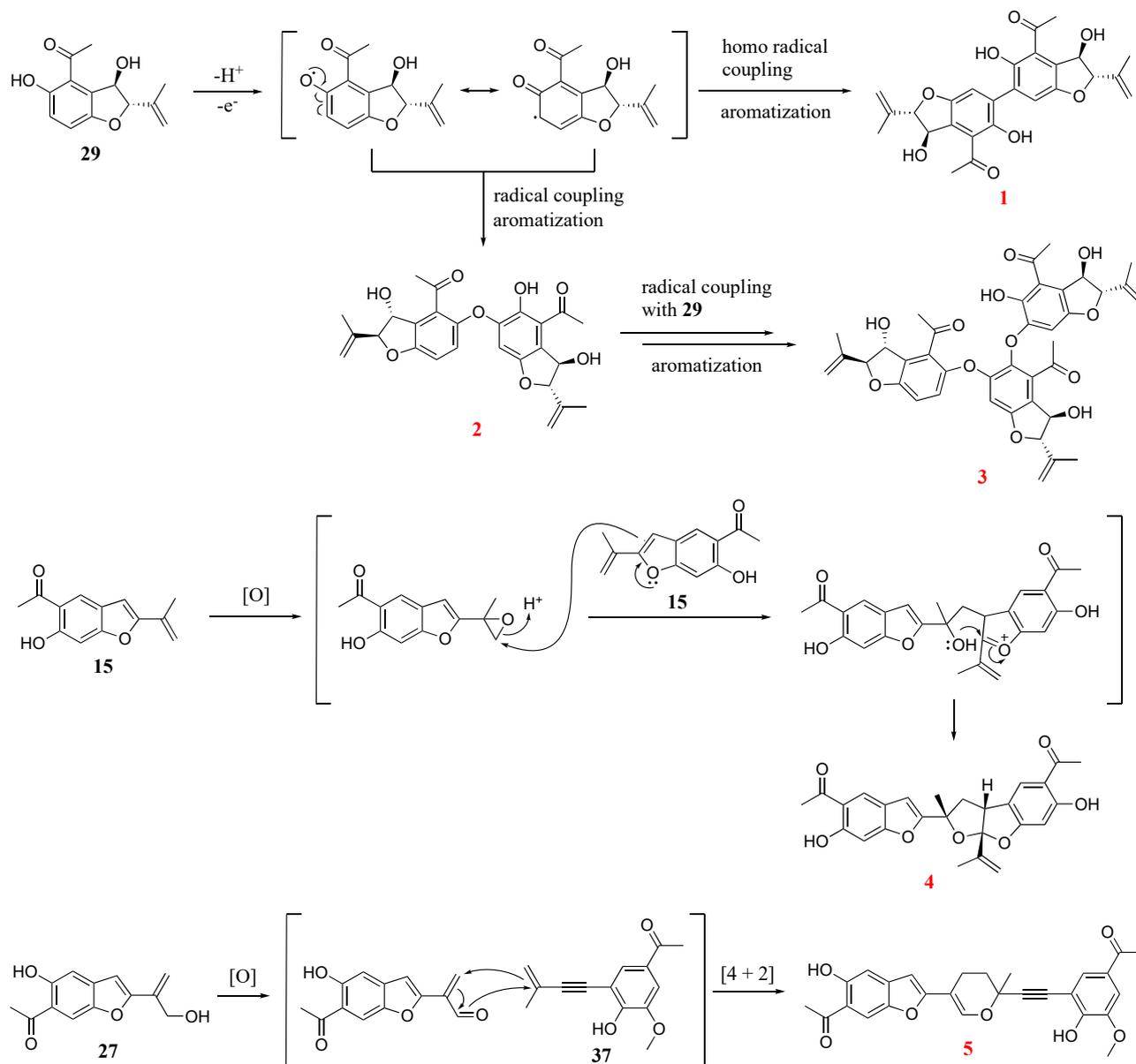


Figure 9. Compounds isolated from the roots of *E. heterophyllum* (new compounds shown in red).

2.3. Discussion

Plausible biosynthetic pathways for the new benzofuran oligomers (1–5) are depicted in Scheme 1. Compound 1 can be a homocoupling product of two *ortho*-radicals generated by one-electron oxidation of known compound 29. Similarly, compound 2 is likely to be formed by the radical coupling of 29-derived phenoxy- and *ortho*-radicals, and subsequent radical coupling of 29 with 2 will afford trimer 3. Compound 4 can be produced by the

nucleophilic attack of euparin (**15**) on an epoxide, derived from another molecule of **15**, via ring-opening of the epoxide, followed by the construction of another furan ring. Compound **5** will be yielded via a [4 + 2] cycloaddition reaction between **27**-derived aldehyde and **37**.



Scheme 1. Plausible biogenetic pathway for **1**–**5**.

In this study, 49 compounds, including 15 new compounds, were isolated from 2 root samples of *E. heterophyllum* collected in Yunnan Province (Figure 9). The major constituents of both samples were benzofuran/dihydrobenzofuran derivatives, such as **6** and **15**. Sample 2 also contained a significant amount of thiophenes (e.g., **43**). These characteristics of chemical composition were very similar to those of our previous *E. heterophyllum* samples collected in Yunnan and Sichuan provinces [6,8]. However, it is worth noting that sample 2 is the only sample to date that produces oligomeric benzofurans: two dimeric benzofuran diastereomers [9]. Compounds **1**–**5** were obtained from this sample, but not from sample 1 or other previous samples [6,8], implying that the diversification of secondary metabolites in *E. heterophyllum* is ongoing.

Eupatorium heterophyllum is generally regarded as a synonym of *E. mairei* [10]. In contrast, Kawahara et al. have proposed that *E. heterophyllum* is distinguished from *E. mairei*

and may be a hybrid originating from *E. mairei* and *E. chinense* [48]. As described above, the chemical compositions of *E. heterophyllum* are similar to those of *E. chinense* [11–13]. Moreover, some research groups have recently reported the isolation of various oligomeric and related benzofuran compounds from *E. chinense* of various origins [49–53]. These findings indicate a close relationship between *E. heterophyllum* and *E. chinense*, which would lend support to Kawahara's theory. Further chemical studies on *E. heterophyllum* collected from other regions are in progress.

3. Materials and Methods

3.1. General Experimental Procedures

A JASCO P1020 NK digital polarimeter was used to measure the optical rotations. The diffuse reflectance method was used to record IR spectra on a JASCO FT/IR-410 spectrophotometer. UV spectra were obtained on a JASCO V-560 UV/Vis spectrophotometer. ECD spectra were measured on a JASCO J-725N spectrophotometer. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL JNM-AL 400 (^1H : 400 MHz) or Varian Unity plus 500 (^1H : 500 MHz, ^{13}C : 126 MHz, respectively) spectrometer using CDCl_3 . Chemical shift values are given in δ (ppm), using the solvent peak signals (CDCl_3 : TMS) as references, and coupling constants (J) are reported in Hz. A JEOL JMS-700 MStation was used to record mass spectra, including high-resolution spectra. Column chromatography was performed on Silica gel 60 (100–210 mesh, Kanto Chemical Co., Inc., Tokyo, Japan). Preparative HPLC was performed on a JASCO chromatograph (*n*-hexane–EtOAc, CHCl_3 –EtOAc) equipped with a JASCO PU-2086 pump, a JASCO UV-970 detector, a JASCO RI-2031 detector, and various columns: COSMOSIL 5SL-II (10 × 250 mm, Nacalai Tesque Inc., Kyoto, Japan), COSMOSIL 5SL-II (4.6 × 250 mm, Nacalai Tesque Inc., Kyoto, Japan), YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, YMC Co., Ltd., Kyoto, Japan), and Inertsil CN-3 (4.6 × 250 mm, GL Sciences, Tokyo, Japan).

3.2. Plant Materials

Samples were collected in Yunnan Province of P.R. China in August 2014 and authenticated by Dr. Takayuki Kawahara, Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute (Japan Forest Technology Association, General Incorporated Association in present affiliation). Sample 1 was collected in Lanping Bai and Pumi Autonomous County, and sample 2 was collected in Gucheng District, Lijiang City, approximately 40 km distant from one another. The voucher specimen numbers for samples 1 and 2 were 2014-10 and 2014-48, respectively. These were deposited in Kunming Institute of Botany, Kunming, China.

3.3. Extraction and Isolation

The dried roots of sample 2 (48.1 g) were cut into small pieces and extracted twice with MeOH at room temperature. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure not exceeding 30 °C, a concentrated and combined MeOH extract (7.5 g) was obtained, which was separated on a silica gel column (*n*-hexane–EtOAc, 1:0, 99:1, 98:2, 95:5, 93:7, 9:1, 85:15, 8:2, 7:3, 1:1; EtOAc–MeOH, 1:0, 9:1, 7:3, 0:1) to afford nine subfractions (Fr. 1–9). **15** (198.2 mg), **6/9** (1100.9 mg, mixture 7:3), and **43** (1230.1 mg, purity 50%) were obtained as Fr. 2, 3, and 8, respectively. Fr. 1 (132.0 mg) was separated using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 10 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 98:2) into six fractions: 1-0 to 1-5. **44** (32.6 mg), **40** (37.8 mg), and **15** (1.2 mg) were obtained as Fr. 1-2, 1-3, 1-5, respectively. Fr. 1-4 (10.0 mg) was separated using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 99:1) into four fractions: 1-4-0 to 1-4-3. Fr. 1-4-0 was **30** (1.9 mg). Fr. 1-4-1 (5.8 mg) was further purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 95:5) to yield **45** (3.6 mg) and **22** (1.3 mg). Fr. 4 (230.9 mg) was separated using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 10 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 85:15) into four fractions: 4-0 to 4-3. Fr. 4-3 was **7** (128.2 mg). Fr. 4-1 (62.7 mg) was purified using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 10 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 95:5) to yield **15** (0.7 mg), **6** (14.2 mg), **9** (10.1 mg), and **13** (11.0 mg). Fr. 4-2 (18.8 mg) was purified using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 10 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 85:15) into five fractions: 4-2-0 to 4-2-4. **41** (3.7 mg) and **33/38** (6.2 mg, mixture 2:1)

were obtained as Fr. 4-2-2 and 4-2-3, respectively. Fr. 4-2-1 (1.5 mg) was further purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 95:5) to yield **14** (0.4 mg) and **20** (0.5 mg). Fr. 4-2-4 (2.2 mg) was further purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 9:1) to yield **34** (0.2 mg) and **26** (0.8 mg). Fr. 5 (66.4 mg) was separated using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 10 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 85:15) into seven fractions: 5-0 to 5-6. **6/15** (3.1 mg, mixture 10:3), **9** (1.4 mg), **24** (5.0 mg), **46** (3.3 mg), and **21** (1.6 mg) were obtained as Fr. 5-1, 5-2, 5-4–5-6, respectively. Fr. 5-3 (27.2 mg) was purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 85:15) into five fractions: 5-3-0 to 5-3-4. **7/8** (3.9 mg, mixture 3:2) and **29** (6.5 mg) were obtained as Fr. 5-3-1 and 5-3-4, respectively. Fr. 5-3-2 (5.6 mg) was further purified using Inertsil CN-3 (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 97:3) to yield **48** (0.8 mg), **35** (1.4 mg), and **23a/23b** (0.7 mg/1.3 mg, respectively). Fr. 5-3-3 (3.9 mg) was further purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 9:1) to yield **28** (0.6 mg). Fr. 6 (280.9 mg) was separated using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 10 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 7:3) into eight fractions: 6-0 to 6-7. Fr. 6-1 (47.4 mg) was purified using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 85:15) to yield **6/15/9** (5.6 mg, mixture 10:3:3), **7/29** (4.2 mg, mixture 10:3), and **24** (4.1 mg). Fr. 6-2 (31.9 mg) was purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 8:2) into four fractions: 6-2-0 to 6-2-3. **37/47** (8.7 mg, mixture 10:3) and **49** (1.6 mg) were obtained as Fr. 6-2-2 and 6-2-3, respectively. Fr. 6-2-1 (2.9 mg) was further purified using Inertsil CN-3 (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 9:1) to yield **4** (1.3 mg). Fr. 6-3 (21.6 mg) was purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 7:3) into four fractions: 6-3-0 to 6-3-3. Fr. 6-3-3 was **1** (2.2 mg). Fr. 6-3-1 (4.7 mg) was further purified using Inertsil CN-3 (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 9:1) to yield **42** (0.4 mg) and **17** (2.0 mg). Fr. 6-3-2 (2.0 mg) was further purified using Inertsil CN-3 (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 7:3) to yield **2** (1.1 mg). Fr. 6-4 (43.3 mg) was purified using HPLC (COSMOSIL 5SL-II, 4.6 × 250 mm, CHCl₃–EtOAc, 98:2) into three fractions: 6-4-0 to 6-4-2. Fr. 6-4-2 was **18** (6.0 mg). Fr. 6-4-1 (20.4 mg) was further purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 85:15) to yield **16** (10.2 mg) and **32** (2.2 mg). Fr. 6-5 (48.0 mg) was purified on COSMOSIL 5SL-II (4.6 × 250 mm, CHCl₃–EtOAc, 98:2) to give five fractions: 6-5-0 to 6-5-4. **10** (12.4 mg) and **11** (11.0 mg) were obtained as Fr. 6-5-2 and 6-5-4, respectively. Fr. 6-5-3 (3.0 mg) was further purified using Inertsil CN-3 (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 7:3) to yield **25** (0.8 mg) and **27** (0.4 mg). Fr. 6-6 (18.7 mg) was purified on COSMOSIL 5SL-II (4.6 × 250 mm, CHCl₃–EtOAc, 98:2) to give five fractions: 6-6-0 to 6-6-4. Fr. 6-6-3 was **31** (1.4 mg). Fr. 6-6-1 (3.1 mg) was further purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 7:3) to yield **5** (1.4 mg). Fr. 6-6-4 (2.1 mg) was further purified using YMC-Pack Diol-120-NP (4.6 × 250 mm, *n*-hexane–EtOAc, 7:3) to yield **36** (0.4 mg) and **3** (0.8 mg).

Similarly, the MeOH extract (2.8 g) of sample 1 (29.6 g) yielded **6** (66.2 mg), **7** (28.8 mg), **8** (0.3 mg), **9** (8.1 mg), **10** (2.1 mg), **11** (5.4 mg), **12** (0.9 mg), **15** (55.7 mg), **16** (7.5 mg), **19** (7.8 mg), **22** (0.9 mg), **29** (1.1 mg), **33** (0.7 mg), **38** (0.4 mg), **39** (0.3 mg), **40** (1.6 mg), **41** (0.7 mg), **44** (10.2 mg), **46** (0.7 mg), and **47** (0.7 mg).

3.4. Chiral HPLC Analyses of Compounds **4** and **5**

Each compound was analyzed using HPLC with a Chiralcel OJ-RH column (4.6 × 150 mm, Daicel, Japan), which was eluted with 50% CH₃CN (for **4**) or 20% CH₃CN (for **5**) in 50 mM H₃PO₄ at 40 °C (flow rate, 0.8 mL/min and detection, JASCO photodiode array detector MD-2010), resulting in the detection of both enantiomers (**4**: *t_R* 13.4 min and *t_R* 14.9 min; **5**: *t_R* 4.0 min and *t_R* 4.8 min) with an integral ratio of ca. 1:1.

3.5. Calculation of ECD Spectra

A conformational search was performed using the Monte Carlo method and the MMFF94 force field with Spartan '14 (Wavefunction, Irvine, CA, USA). The obtained low-energy conformers within 6 kcal/mol were optimized at the B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) level in MeOH (PCM). The vibrational frequencies were also calculated at the same level to confirm

their stability, and no imaginary frequencies were found. The energies, oscillator strengths, and rotational strengths of the low-energy conformers were calculated using TDDFT at the CAM-B3LYP/6-31G (d,p) in MeOH (PCM) level, and weight-averaged. The ECD spectra were simulated using GaussView [54] by the overlapping Gaussian function with 0.35 eV exponential half-width, and UV correction was performed (redshifted by 15 nm). All DFT calculations were performed using Gaussian 09 [55].

3.6. Compound Data

Compound 1

Yellow amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{11}$ -23.9 (c 0.24, CHCl_3); FT-IR 3416, 1651 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 489 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 489.1527 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_8\text{Na}$ 489.1525); UV (CH_3OH) λ_{max} ($\log \epsilon$) 231 (4.24), 260 (4.02), 391 (3.73) nm; ECD (CH_3OH , $c = 5.2 \times 10^{-5}$ mol/L) λ_{max} ($\Delta\epsilon$): 406 (-0.2), 360 ($+0.2$), 318 ($+0.6$), 266 ($+2.0$), 218 (-4.2) nm; ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 1.

Compound 2

Yellow amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{28}$ $+5.4$ (c 0.10, CHCl_3); FT-IR 3411, 1656, 1600, 1464, 1439, 1254, 1093 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 466 $[\text{M}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 466.1604 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_8$ 466.1628); UV (CH_3OH) λ_{max} ($\log \epsilon$) 222 (4.39), 337 (3.71) nm; CD (CH_3OH , $c = 4.3 \times 10^{-5}$ mol/L) λ_{max} ($\Delta\epsilon$): 352 ($+1.9$), 304 (-0.2), 260 ($+2.3$), 218 (-11.0) nm; ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 1.

Compound 3

Yellow amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{28}$ -59.7 (c 0.08, CHCl_3); FT-IR 3474, 1668, 1596, 1457, 1438, 1251, 1081 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 721 $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 721.2260 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{38}\text{O}_{12}\text{Na}$ 721.2261); UV (CH_3OH) λ_{max} ($\log \epsilon$) 221 (4.56), 335 (3.83) nm; CD (CH_3OH , $c = 3.0 \times 10^{-5}$ mol/L) λ_{max} ($\Delta\epsilon$): 353 ($+2.9$), 311 (-0.2), 261 ($+2.3$), 221 (-13.2) nm; ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 1.

Compound 4

Yellow amorphous powder; FT-IR 3361, 1659, 1651 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 449 $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 449.1600 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_7$ 449.1600); UV (CH_3OH) λ_{max} ($\log \epsilon$) 223 (4.39), 234 (4.48), 266 (4.07), 329 (3.75) nm; ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 2.

Compound 5

Yellow amorphous powder; FT-IR 3245, 2225, 1672, 1622 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 461 $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 461.1601 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_7$ 461.1600); UV (CH_3OH) λ_{max} ($\log \epsilon$) 243 (4.44), 354 (4.24) nm; ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 2.

Compound 14

Colorless amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{28}$ $+45.9$ (c 0.05, CHCl_3); FT-IR 3453–2650, 1731, 1651 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 291 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 291.1231 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_5$ 291.1232); ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 3.

Compound 17

Yellowish amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{28}$ $+15.9$ (c 0.24, CHCl_3); FT-IR 3472, 1713, 1651 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 355 $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 355.1160 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_6\text{Na}$ 355.1158); ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 3.

Compound 21

Yellow amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{28}$ -189.2 (c 0.17, CHCl_3); FT-IR 3443–2646, 1651 cm^{-1} ; MS (FAB) m/z : 233 $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$; HRMS (FAB) Obs. m/z 233.0814 (Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_4$ 233.0814); ^1H and ^{13}C NMR: see Table 3.

Compound 25

Yellowish amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{29} +7.0$ (*c* 0.12, CHCl₃); FT-IR 3410, 1650 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB) *m/z*: 235 [M + H]⁺; HRMS (FAB) Obs. *m/z* 235.0970 (Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅O₄ 235.0970); ¹H and ¹³C NMR: see Table 4.

Compound 26

Yellowish amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{29} -11.5$ (*c* 0.08, CHCl₃); FT-IR 3541–2635, 1731, 1633 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB) *m/z*: 277 [M+H]⁺; HRMS (FAB) Obs. *m/z* 277.1076 (Calcd for C₁₅H₁₇O₅ 277.1076); ¹H and ¹³C NMR: see Table 4.

Compound 31

Yellow amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{28} +2.3$ (*c* 0.20, CHCl₃); FT-IR 3485, 1731 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB) *m/z*: 235 [M + H]⁺; HRMS (FAB) Obs. *m/z* 235.0970 (Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅O₄ 235.0970); ¹H and ¹³C NMR: see Table 4.

Compound 32

Yellow amorphous powder; FT-IR 1683, 1595, 1566, 1474, 1360, 1331, 1174 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB) *m/z*: 233 [M + H]⁺; HRMS (FAB) Obs. *m/z* 233.0814 (Calcd for C₁₃H₁₃O₄ 233.0814); ¹H and ¹³C NMR: see Table 4.

Compound 34

Yellowish amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{29} -65.2$ (*c* 0.03, CHCl₃); FT-IR 1745, 1681 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB) *m/z*: 319 [M + H]⁺; HRMS (FAB) Obs. *m/z* 319.1543 (Calcd for C₁₈H₂₃O₅ 319.1545); ¹H and ¹³C NMR: see Table 5.

Compound 36

Yellowish amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{29} +37.00$ (*c* 0.05, CHCl₃); FT-IR 3410, 1680, 1601, 1497 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB) *m/z*: 249 [M + H]⁺; HRMS (FAB) Obs. *m/z* 249.1126 (Calcd for C₁₄H₁₇O₄ 249.1127); ¹H NMR: see Table 5.

Compound 39

White amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_D^{29} +25.34$ (*c* 0.08, CHCl₃); FT-IR 3305, 1746 cm⁻¹; MS (FAB) *m/z*: 247 [M-H₂O+H]⁺; HRMS (FAB) Obs. *m/z* 247.1334 (Calcd for C₁₅H₁₉O₃ 247.1334); ¹H and ¹³C NMR: see Table 5.

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