# **BISABOLANE RELATED GLYCOSIDES FROM CARTHAMUS LANATUS**

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Abstract—Two new sesquiterpene glycosides were isolated from the more polar fraction of the hexane extract of *Carthamus lanatus*. They were identified as bisabolane and tri-*nor*-bisabolane fucosides and their structures were confirmed by synthesis from  $(-)-\alpha$ -bisabolol- $\beta$ -D-fucopiranoside.

### INTRODUCTION

In previous work [1] we reported on the structural determination of the major component of the hexane extract of *Carthamus lanatus* (family Compositae, tribe Cynareae), that was identified as the  $\beta$ -D-fucopyranoside of  $\alpha$ -bisabolol (1). In the present work we describe two minor glycosides with terpene structures of bisabolane and tri-*nor*-bisabolane that were isolated, providing that no acetyl groups were present, after acetylation of the more polar part of the extract.

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The less polar substance (2a) was an oily product whose IR spectrum exhibited absorptions of acetate groups, of a trisubstituted double bond and of a ketone conjugated with an  $\alpha$ -substituted vinyl group, the latter grouping displaying an absorption at 215 nm in the UV spectrum [2].

Apart from signals of the three acetate groups and of the above mentioned groupings, the <sup>13</sup>C BB and DEPT-NMR spectra showed the existence of four methyls, five methylenes, six methines (1 acetalic and 4 oxygenated) and an oxygenated non-protonated carbon atom. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR also showed three methyl signals of the acetates, that of the olefinic proton of a trisubstituted double bond and those of a methylidene in the  $\beta$ -position of a carbonyl, apart from those of a methyl geminal to oxygen and those of two methyls on sp<sup>2</sup> carbons. The EI mass spectrum, showed a [M-60]<sup>+</sup> peak at m/z 448, and the comparison of NMR data with those of 1 and 1a readily suggest the structure 2 for the natural compound. This structure was confimed by synthesis from 1a, as described below.

The most polar substance (3a) was an oil whose IR, apart from absorptions of acetates and olefinic grouping, showed bands for an aldehyde, which was also observed in the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C DEPT-NMR spectra. The main differences with respect to 1a lay in the absence of the spectral signals corresponding to the  $C_{11}$ - $C_{13}$  moiety,

and the presence of the aldehyde group, that should be located at  $C_{10}$ . Thus, structures 3 and 3a were deduced for this glycoside and its triacetate that were also confirmed by semisynthesis from 1a.

Photochemical oxidation of the triacetate 1a by singlet oxygen [3] (Scheme 1) afforded the hydroperoxides 4a, 4'a and 5a, which by reduction with dimethyl sulphide yielded the alcohols 6a, 6'a and 7a. PDC oxidation of the mixture 6a + 6'a afforded 2a identical to the triacetate of the natural glycoside 2. On treating the mixture of the three hydroperoxides with acetic anhydride in pyridine [4] the only reaction products obtained were the triacetates 2a and 3a identical to those prepared from the natural glycosides 2 and 3.

Both 2 and 3 are new natural products hitherto undescribed either as glycosides or as free terpenoids. The glycoside  $\beta$ -D-fucopyranoside of 7-hydroxy-11,12,13-trinor-bisabol-3-en-10-al (3) is the first case of a bisabolane tri-nor-sesquiterpenoid.

#### EXPERIMENTAL

Carthamus lanatus L. was collected in July near Cabrerizos (Salamanca, Spain). Dried aerial parts (2.4 kg) were extracted with *n*-hexane. The extract was defatted with MeOH and a satd soln of urea in MeOH, and it was fractionated with aq. NaOH (4%). By CC of the neutral fr. (63.9 g) a polar fraction (680 mg) was collected, that was acetylated and chromatographed affording **2a** (390 mg) and **3a** (300 mg).

Compound 2a. Oil.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = -16.2^{\circ}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>; c 0.90). IR  $\nu_{max}^{film}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3080, 3020, 1740, 1685, 1640, 1230, 1070, 910, 840. UV  $\lambda_{max}^{EiOH}$  nm ( $\varepsilon$ ): 215 (6100). EIMS 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.): 448 (0.4), 388 (1), 289 (1), 273 (10), 235 (1), 219 (10), 218 (6), 213 (4), 201 (4), 171 (7), 153 (29), 145 (7), 134 (21), 132 (47), 119 (16), 111 (26), 93 (17), 59 (33), 43 (100). NMR spectra see Tables 1 and 2.

Compound **3a.** Oil.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = -16.8^{\circ}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>; c 0.87). IR v<sup>CHCl3</sup>, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3040, 2730, 1750, 1730, 1250, 1170, 1130, 1070, 925, 910, 840. EIMS 70 eV, m/z (rel. int.) 315 (2), 289 (1), 273 (52), 256 (2), 237 (2), 213 (13), 195 (11), 179 (8), 171 (24), 153 (99), 111 (100), 83 (53). NMR spectra see Tables 1 and 2.

С	1	12	<b>6a</b> +	- 6'a	7a	2	2a	3a
1	41.24 d	40.56 d	40.68 d	40.49 d	41.44 d	41.44 d	40.62 d	40.74 d
2	26.94 t	26.50 t	28.	36 t	26.14 t	26.94 t	26.67 t	26.49 t
3	120.60 d	120.11 d	120.	16 d	120.27 d	120.32 d	119.91 d	119.73 d
4	134.32 s	134.15 s	134.	.39 s	134.14 s	134.35 s	134.62 s	134.44 s
5	31.10 t	30.82 t	30.	95 t	30.85 s	31.52 t*	30.91 t*	30.83 t
6	23.54 t	22.76 t	26.	64 t	22.86 t	23.55 t	22.75 t	22.80 t
7	81.75 s	81.82 s	82.14 s	81.99 s	81.66 s	81.41 s	81.80 s	81.20 s
8	37.95 t	37.90 t	33.88 t	33.91 t	41.28 t	31.52 t*	31.35 t*	29.42 t
9	21.87 t	21.50 t	22.	.90 t	122.61 d	31.03 t*	30.91 t*	38.20 t
10	124.98 d	124.67 d	76.17 d	75.78 d	140.97 d	202.58 s	202.46 s	202.24 d
11	131.04 s	130.86 s	147.86 s	147.78 s	70.63 s	144.58 s	144.55 s	
12	17.81 q	17.60 q	110.76 t	110.07 t	29.79 q	124.33 t	124.29 t	
13	25.66 q	25.46 q	17.51 q	18.30 q	29.79 q	17.61 q	17.66 q	
14	20.19 q	19.56 q	19.	62 q	19.78 q	19.84 q	19.55 q	19.24 q
15	23.34 q	23.14 q	23.	.34 q	23.30 q	23.26 q	23.33 q	23.14 q
1′	97.22 d	95.23 d	95.	45 d	95.61 d	96.99 d	95.18 d	95.23 d
2′	71.45 d	69.29 d	69.	38 d	69.36 d	71.77 d	69.22 d	69.22 d
3′	71.87 d	70.41 d	70.	49 d	70.49 d	71.77 d	70.49 d	70.40 d
4′	74.42 d	71.60 d	71.	.64 d	71.65 d	74.37 d	71.60 d	71.50 d
5'	70.39 d	68.72 d	68.	.99 d	68.84 d	70.36 d	69.03 d	68.90 d
6'	16.55 q	16.06 q	16.20 q	16.34 q	16.26 q	16.40 q	16.05 q	16.05 q
Acetate		20.57 q	20.	81 q	20.80 q		20.83 q	20.46 q
		20.57 q	20.	.70 q	20.71 q		20.63 q	20.46 q
		20.42 q	19.	64 q	20.62 q		20.63 q	20.46 q
		170.50 s	170.	.77 s	170.77 s		170.64 s	170.53 s
		169.94 s	170.	25 s	170.25 s		170.14 s	169.99 s
		168.99 s	169.	.30 s	169.31 s		169.32 s	169.13 s

Table 1. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral data for compounds 1, 1a, 2, 2a, 3a, 6a, 6'a and 7 (50.3 MHz)

Solvent CDCl<sub>3</sub>.  $\delta$  values in ppm from internal TMS.

\*Interchangeable assignments.





Compound 2. 2a (390 mg) was saponified at room temp with a soln of Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> in MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1). After usual work-up, 2 (104 mg) was obtained. Oil.  $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -20.9^{\circ}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>; c 0.52). IR  $\nu_{\text{Max1}}^{\text{chach}}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3450, 3080, 3020, 1685, 1640, 1080, 910, 840. UV  $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{max}}$  nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 217 (6500). NMR spectra see Tables 1 and 2.

Photooxidation of **1a**. To **1a** (1.3 g) in iso-PrOH (25 ml), Rose Bengal (10 mg) was added and the soln exposed to sunshine for 4 hr to yield a mixt of hydroperoxides **4a**, **4'a** and **5** (1.2 g). This mixt (850 mg) was reduced with dimethyl sulphide (15 ml) and

chromatographed to afford alcohols 6a + 6'a (370 mg) and 7a (70 mg).

Compounds **6a** + **6b**. Oil.  $[\alpha]_{2^2}^{2^2} = -14.8^{\circ}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>; c 2.0). IR  $v_{max1_3}^{ender}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3600, 3080, 3020, 1740, 1650, 1230, 1070, 970, 905, 840. NMR spectra see Tables 1 and 2.

Compound 7a. Oil.  $[\alpha]_{b^2}^{22} = -10.9^{\circ}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>; c 2.25). IR  $\nu_{max}^{CHCl_3}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3600, 3030, 1740, 1665, 1240, 1175, 1075, 975, 910, 830. NMR spectra see Tables 1 and 2.

Oxidation of 6a + 6'a. To a mixt of 6a + 6'a (300 mg) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

5		la	2	2a	<b>3a</b>	6a + 6'a	7a
~ ~ ~	5.36 m	5.34 m	5.35 m	5.32 m	5.30 m	5.33 m	5.31 m
8a							2.22 dd (6.4, 14.6)
8b							2.40 dd (5.4, 14.6)
9a			2.71 ddd (5.4, 11.2, 16.8)	2.59 ddd (5.4, 11.1, 17.4)			5.73 ddd (5.4, 6.4, 15.8)
9b			3.11 ddd (3.5, 11.2, 16.8)	3.19 ddd (3.3, 11.1, 17.4)			
10	5.04 br t (6.5)	5.04 br t (6.5)			9.76 s	3.92-4.05 m	5.64 d (15.8)
12a	1.59 s	1.60 s	5.73 brs	5.73 br s		4.81 hr s	1.30 s
12b			6.02 br s	6.02 br s		4.91 br s 4.94 br s	
13	1.66 s	1.67 s	1.85 s	1.85 br s		1.72 brs	1.30 s
14	1.12 s	1.08 s	1.14 s	1.10 s	1.10 s	1.10 s	1.12 s
15	1.63 s	1.64 s	1.65 s	1.63 brs	1.61 s	1.63 brs	1.62 brs
1'	4.36 d (7.6)	4.63 d (7.6)	4.36 d (6.1)	4.60 d (7.7)	4.61 d (7.7)	4.67 d (8)	4.65 d (7.8)
2'	I	5.20 dd (7.6, 10)		5.21 dd (7.7, 10.4)	5.15 d (7.7, 10.4)	5.20 dd (8, 10.5)	5.20 dd (7.8, 10.5)
3,	3.50-3.75 m	5.03 dd (3.3, 10)	3.50–3.75 m	5.01 dd (3.4, 10.4)	5.01 d (3.2, 10.4)	5.03 dd (3.5, 10.5)	5.02 dd (3.4, 10.5)
4,		5.21 d (3.3)		5.19 d (3.4)	5.17 d (3.2)	5.21 d (3.5)	5.21 d (3.4)
5'	Ι	3.78 q (6.5)	1	3.72 q (6.5)	3.76 q (6.2)	3.81 q (6.5)	3.77 q (6.5)
6'	1.25 d (6.5)	1.18 d (6.5)	1.16 d (6.5)	1.02 d (6.5)	1.09 d (6.2)	1.19 d (6.5) 1.21 d (6.5)	1.19 d (6.5)
		2.17 s		2.15 s	2.10 s	2.17 s	2.18 s
Acetate		2.03 s		2.03 s	1.96 s	2.03 s	2.03 s
		1.98 s		1.97 s	1.90 s	1.98 s	1.98 s

Table 2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data for compounds 1-3a, 6, 6a and 7 (200.13 MHz)

 $CDCl_3$ .  $\delta$  values in ppm from internal TMS, followed by multiplicity and J values (in Hz) are stated.

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(13 ml), PDC (466 mg) was added and the reaction stirred at room temp. for 5 hr. By CC of the reaction product 2a (136 mg) was isolated.

Treatment of 4a, 4'a and 5 with  $Ac_2O$ . A mixt. of 4a, 4'a and 5 (342 mg) in pyridine (6 ml) and  $Ac_2O$  (6 ml) was stirred at room temp. for 12 hr. By CC of the reaction product 2a (210 mg) and 3a (100 mg) were obtained.

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