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Structure and bioactivity of cholestane glycosides from the bulbs of *Ornithogalum saundersiae* Baker

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A R T I C L E I N F O A B S T R A C T Keywords: Eight undescribed cholestane glycosides named osaundersioside A-H, along with three previously known compounds named osaundersioside I-K were isolated from Ornithogalum saundersiae Baker bulbs (Asparagaceae). Asparagaceae Their structures were elucidated by extensive spectroscopic analysis and chemical methods. All isolates were

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1. Introduction

Cholestane glycosides

Acylated steroidal glycoside

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Ornithogalum saundersiae Baker (Asparagaceae; synonym Galtonia saundersiae (Baker) Mart.-Azorín, M.B. Crespo & Juan) is a bulbous plant belonging to the subfamily Scilloideae of the family Asparagaceae (Iguchi et al., 2017a). O. saundersiae Baker is native to Africa, and was introduced to other parts of the world as an ornamental plant (Yuan et al., 2018; Liu and Kong, 2018). A systematic phytochemical examination of the bulbs of O. saundersiae Baker began in 1992 (Kubo et al., 1992a, 1992b) and led to the discovery of three previously-undescribed acylated cholestane glycosides, including the well-known antitumor molecule OSW-1 (Malabed et al., 2017; Wojtkielewicz et al., 2007). In the interim, many cholesteric compounds have been isolated from this plant, several of which have potent cytotoxic activity against tumor cells (Kubo et al., 1992; Hirano et al., 1996; Kuroda et al., 1993, 1995; 1997, 1999a; 1999b, 2001; Mimaki et al., 1996a, 1996b, 1996c, 1997; Iguchi et al., 2017b). The discovery of these diverse cholestane glycosides, and their associated potent cytotoxic activities suggested that further phytochemical analysis of this plant could be beneficial. Further study resulted in the isolation of eight previously-undescribed compounds designated as osaundersioside A-H (1-8), and three known compounds named osaundersioside I-K (9-11) (Fig. 1). All isolates were evaluated for cytotoxic activity and inhibitory effects on lipopolysaccharide (LPS)-induced nitric oxide (NO) production.

2. Results and discussion

2.1. Structure elucidation

Osaundersioside A (1) was obtained as an amorphous solid, and positive-ion high-resolution electrospray mass spectrometry (HRESIMS) resulted in a peak at *m/z* 925.4797 [M + Na]⁺ (MW 902.4875), which corresponded to a molecular formula of C45H74O18. The [M-146 + Na]⁺ precursor ion peak at m/z 779 fragmented to yield a neutral loss of 146, which indicated the presence of a terminal deoxyhexose moiety in 1. The ¹H-NMR spectrum in pyridine- d_5 of 1 displayed two angular methyl proton signals at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.02 (s, Me-18) and 1.43 (s, Me-19), two methyl proton signals at an olefinic carbon at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.69 (s, Me-26) and 1.71 (s, Me-27), and one secondary methyl proton signal at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.28 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, Me-21). An additional methyl doublet observed at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.73 (d, J = 5.4 Hz) was consistent with the presence of one deoxyhexose residue. These characteristic methyl group signals correlated in the HSQC spectrum of 1 with signals at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 14.4 (C-18), 19.1 (C-19), 26.0 (C-26), 18.1 (C-27), and 11.8 (C-21), respectively. HMBC correlations with characteristic steroid methyl groups allowed for rapid assignment of the aglycone of 1 (Kuroda et al., 1999a). The HMBC correlations at $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 2.65 (H-12)/68.1 (C-11) and 1.25 (H-9)/ 68.1 (C-11) indicated a secondary hydroxy function at C-11 (Fig. 2). The ¹H- and ¹³C -NMR spectral data of 1 (Table 1) showed chemical

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Fig. 2. Selected HMBC correlations of 1 - 8.

shifts in close agreement with those of known compound **10** (Iguchi et al., 2017a), which was assumed to possess the same planar steroidal skeleton, (22*S*)-cholesta-5,24-dien-3 β ,11 α ,16 β ,22-tetrol, as the agly-cone, which was also confirmed by 2D NMR, including COSY, HSQC, and HMBC spectra.

The relative configuration of the aglycone moiety of **1** was demonstrated by a ROESY experiment (Fig. 3) and by comparing the NMR data of **1** with those of **10**. The ROESY correlations between H-19 β /H-1 β , H-2 β , H-4 β , and H-11 β indicated an α -OH at C-11. In addition, the correlations between H-1 α /H-3 α , H-9 α /H-14 α , H-14 α /H-17 α , and H-17 α /H-16 α allowed for assignment of β -OH at C-3 and C-16. Moreover, the ROESY cross-peaks at H-11 β /H-18 β , H-18 β /H-20 β , H-21 α /H-23 α , and H-23 α /H-22 α revealed the α -orientation of H-21 and a β -OH located at C-22. These data allowed for determination of the relative configuration of the aglycone fragment (Bie et al., 2019; Challinor et al., 2012).

The ¹H-NMR spectrum of **1** also contained signals typical of anomeric protons of a glycoside at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.33 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, H-1 of Glc 2), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.12 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, H-1 of Glc 1), and $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.27 (br s, H-1 of Rha 1), providing correlations in the HSQC spectrum with three anomeric carbon signals at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 106.7, 101.4, and 105.0, respectively, indicating the presence of three sugar units. Correlations observed in the HMBC spectrum of **1** (Fig. 2) between the H-1 of Glc 2 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.33 and C-2 of Glc 1 at $\delta_{\rm c}$ 84.8, H-1 of Glc1 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.12 and C-3 of the aglycone at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 79.5, and H-1 of Rha 1 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.27 and C-16 of the aglycone at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 82.2 established the presence of a (1 \rightarrow 2) linked diglucose moiety at position

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Table	1

 $^1\mathrm{H}$ NMR (600 MHz) and $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (150 MHz) data of compound 1 in C₅D₅N (δ in ppm, J in Hz).

Position	1	$\delta_{ m H}$	Position	1	$\delta_{ m H}$
	$\delta_{ m C}$			$\delta_{ m C}$	
1α	39.6	1.33 m		3-0-Glc 1	
1β		3.24 dd (14.4, 3.6, 3.6)	1	101.4	5.12 d (7.8)
2α	30.5	2.22 m	2	84.8	4.19 q (9.0, 7.8)
2β		2.04 m	3	78.0	4.40 m
3α	79.5	3.95 m	4	71.4	4.31 m
4α	39.9	2.92 m	5	78.2	4.29 m
4 <i>B</i>		2.89 m	6	62.8	4.64 br d
1					(12.0)
5	141.9	-			4.53 br s
6	121.4	5.49 br d (5.4)		Glc 2	
7	32.2	1.97, 1.43 m	1	106.7	5.33 d (7.8)
8β	31.7	1.90 m	2	77.1	4.18 q (9.0,
•					7.8)
9α	57.1	1.25	3	77.9	4.05 m
10	38.8	-	4	71.5	4.30 m
11β	68.1	4.29 m	5	78.8	3.92 m
12	51.8	2.65, 1.61 m	6	62.5	4.53 br s
13	43.0	-			4.39 m
14α	54.5	1.02 s		16-O-Rha 1	
15α	35.7	1 57 m	1	105.0	5 27 hr s
15ß	00.7	2.32 m	2	72.6	4.52 br s
16α	82.2	4 44 m	3	73.1	4 46 m
17α	57.8	2.11 ddd (13.8, 7.2, 3.6)	4	74.0	4.32 m
18β	14.4	1.02 s	5	71.0	4.28 m
19β	19.1	1.43 s	6	18.4	1.73 d (5.4)
20β	35.1	2.63 m			
21α	11.8	1.28 d (7.2)			
22α	72.0	4.12 m			
23α	35.4	2.31 m			
23β		2.62 m			
24	123.1	5.55 t (7.2)			
25	132.4	-			
26	26.0	1.69 s			
27	18.1	1.71 s			

C-3 and a single rhamnose residue at C-16. The sugars obtained by acid hydrolysis of **1** were identified as D-glucose and L-rhamnose by GC analysis of the trimethylsilyl-L-cysteine derivatives of the hydrolysates of **1** and authentic standards (t_R : 29.609 min, 23.551 min). The coupling constants of the anomeric protons at δ_H 5.33 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), δ_H 5.12 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), and δ_H 5.27 (br s) resulted in assignment of β - and α -configurations for the D-glucose and L-rhamnose moieties, respectively. These data implied that the structure of **1** was (22*S*)-3 β -[(β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- β -D-glucopyranosyl)oxy]-11 α ,22-dihydroxycholest-5,24-dien-16 β -yl α -L-rhamnopyranoside (Fig. 1).

HRESIMS analysis of osaundersioside B (2) resulted in an [M + Na]⁺ ion peak at m/z 909.4841 and an [M + H]⁺ ion peak at m/z887.5031 (MW 886.4926, which corresponded to a molecular formula $C_{45}H_{74}O_{17}$). The ¹H- and ¹³C -NMR spectra of the aglycone of **2** confirmed that it was the same as the aglycone of compound **1**. The ¹H- and 13 C -NMR spectra of **2** and **1** were closely related, with **1** only distinguished from **2** by the anomeric proton at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.42 (br s) and the secondary methyl group at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.81 (d, J = 6.5 Hz) (Table 2). The saccharide portion was characterized by extensive NMR experiments and GC analysis as one β -D-glucopyranosyl residue and two α -L-rhamnopyranosyl residues (t_R : 29.618 min, 23.558 min). The HMBC correlation at $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 6.42 (H-1, Rha 2)/77.6 (C-2, Glc 1) demonstrated that Rha 2 was located at C-2 of Glc 1, and $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 5.10 (H-1, Glc 1)/77.6 (C-3) confirmed that Glc 1 was located at C-3 of the aglycone. Another HMBC correlation at $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 5.27 (H-1, Rha 1)/81.8(C-16) demonstrated that Rha 1 was located at C-16 of the aglycone (Fig. 2). Thus, the structure of



Fig. 3. Selected ROESY correlations of 1, 5 and 7.

¹H NMR (500 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) data of compound **2** in C₅D₅N (δ in ppm, *J* in Hz).

Position	2	$\delta_{ m H}$	Position	2	$\delta_{ m H}$
	$\delta_{ m C}$	_		$\delta_{ m C}$	
1α	38.9	1.38 m		3-0-Glc 1	
1β		3.26 dd (14.0, 3.5, 3.5)	1	99.6	5.10 d (7.5)
2α	29.8	2.18 m	2	77.6	4.33 m
2β		2.12 m	3	79.0	4.34 m
3α	77.6	4.06 m	4	71.1	4.21 m
4α	39.0	2.91 m	5	77.2	3.92 m
4β		2.11 m	6	61.9	4.53 br s
5	141.1	-			4.39 d (4.5)
6	120.9	5.43 br d (4.5)		Rha 2	
7	31.6	1.93, 1.49 m	1	101.4	6.42 br s
8β	31.2	1.93 m	2	72.0	4.70 m
9α	56.4	1.27 d (6.5)	3	72.2	4.46 m
10	38.3	-	4	73.6	4.40 m
11β	67.5	4.33 m	5	68.8	5.09 m
12	51.1	2.65, 1.62 m	6	18.0	1.81 d (6.5)
13	42.3	-			
14α	53.8	1.02 s		16- <i>O</i> -Rha 1	
15α	35.0	1.64 m	1	104.4	5.27 br s
15β		2.31 m	2	72.0	4.53 m
16α	81.8	4.47 m	3	72.5	4.34 m
17α	57.1	2.10 m	4	73.3	4.39 m
18β	13.7	1.04 s	5	70.4	4.34 m
19β	18.5	1.50 s	6	17.8	1.76 d (5.0)
20β	34.5	2.62 m			
21α	11.1	1.28 d (6.5)			
22α	71.3	4.14 m			
23α	34.7	2.31 m			
23β		2.60 m			
24	122.4	5.52 t (6.0)			
25	131.7	-			
26	25.3	1.68 s			
27	17.4	1.70 s			

2 was (22S)- 3β -[(α -L-rhamnopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ - β -D-glucopyranosyl) oxy]- 11α ,22-dihydroxycholest-5,24-dien- 16β -yl α -L-rhamnopyranoside (Fig. 1).

Osaundersioside C (3) had a molecular formula of C₅₁H₈₄O₂₁ based on HRESIMS (*m*/*z* 1055.5354 [M + Na]⁺, *m*/*z* 1033.5536 [M + H]⁺, MW 1032.5505, positive-ion mode). Complete ¹H- and ¹³C -NMR assignment of the steroidal skeleton of 3 demonstrated that this saponin contained an aglycone with a similar structure as that identified in 1 and 2 (Table 3). When the ¹³C-NMR spectrum of 3 was compared with that of **1**, the hydroxymethine carbon signal observed at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 68.1 (C-11) in the spectrum of 1 was displaced by a methylene carbon signal at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 21.0 in that of 3, and a set of signals corresponding to an additional terminal α -L-rhamnopyranosyl unit (Rha 2) ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 102.0 (CH), $\delta_{\rm C}$ 72.5 (CH), δ_C 72.8 (CH), δ_C 74.1 (CH), δ_C 69.5 (CH), and δ_C 18.7 (Me)) was observed (Kuroda et al., 2018). The ¹H-NMR spectrum showed the presence of four anomeric protons at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.10 (d, $J = 15.0 \, {\rm Hz}$), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.97(d, J = 7.0 Hz), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.34 (br s), and $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.24 (br s), indicating the presence of four sugar units in 3. The extensive 1D and 2D NMR experiments performed to evaluate 3, and enantioselective GC analysis of the hydrolysate, showed the presence of two β -D-glucose units and two α -L-rhamnose units ($t_{\rm R}$: 29.604 min, 23.542 min). Correlations were observed in the HMBC spectrum of **3** between $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.34 (H-1, Rha 2) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 77.4 (C-2, Glc 2), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.10 (H-1, Glc 2) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 69.7 (C-6, Glc 1), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.97 (H-1, Glc 1) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 78.4 (C-3, aglycone), and $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.24 (H-1, Rha 1) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 82.1 (C-16, aglycone) (Fig. 2). Thus, the structure of **3** was identified as (22S)-3 β -[(α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-($1 \rightarrow 2$)- β -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -D-glucopyranosyl) oxy]-22-hydroxycholest-5,24-dien-16β-yl α-L-rhamnopyranoside (Fig. 1).

HRESIMS analysis of osaundersioside D (4) resulted in a $[M + Na]^+$ ion peak at m/z 1071.5427, which resulted in a formula assignment of $C_{51}H_{84}O_{22}$ (MW 1049.5454. The ESIMS (positive-ion mode) spectrum

Table 3

¹H NMR (500 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) data of compound **3** in C_5D_5N (δ in ppm, *J* in Hz).

Position	3	$\delta_{ m H}$	Position	3	$\delta_{ m H}$
	$\delta_{ m C}$			$\delta_{ m C}$	
1α	37.5	1.06 m		3-0-Glc 1	
1β		1.75 m	1	100.6	4.97 d (7.0)
2α	30.3	2.24 m	2	75.1	4.03 m
2β		1.91 m	3	78.5	4.21 dd (7.0, 6.5)
3α	78.4	3.92 m	4	71.6	4.22 dd (7.0, 6.5)
4α	39.1	2.79 d (7.5)	5	76.9	3.99 m
4β		2.65 m	6	69.7	4.77 br d (9.5)
5	140.9	-			4.31 m
6	121.8	5.43 br d (4.0)		Glc 2	
7	32.0	1.83, 1.41 m	1	105.4	5.10 br d (15.0)
8β	31.8	1.83 m	2	77.4	4.13 m
9α	50.2	0.84 m	3	79.5	4.13 m
10	36.9	-	4	71.5	4.11 m
11α	21.0	1.29 dd (12.0, 2.0)	5	78.4	3.92 m
11β		1.36 m	6	62.7	4.51 br s
12	39.9	1.98, 1.09 m			4.36 m
13	42.2	-		Rha 2	
14α	54.8	0.77 m	1	102.0	6.34 br s
15α	35.6	1.56 m	2	72.5	4.51 br s
15β		2.29 m	3	72.8	4.32 m
16α	82.1	4.38 m	4	74.1	4.33 m
17α	57.7	1.99 m	5	69.5	4.99 m
18β	13.1	0.91 s	6	18.7	1.78 d (6.0)
19β	19.4	1.09 s			
20β	35.4	2.31 m		16- <i>O</i> -Rha 1	
21α	11.9	1.24 d (7.0)	1	105.0	5.24 br s
22α	72.0	4.12 m	2	72.6	4.62 d (9.0)
23α	35.1	2.31 m	3	73.1	4.43 m
23β		2.61 m	4	73.9	4.32 m
24	123.5	5.54 m	5	71.0	4.31 m
25	132.2	-	6	18.4	1.71 d (5.0)
26	26.0	1.65 s			
27	18.1	1.68 s			

contained a $[M + Na-146]^+$ ion at m/z 925.4875, indicating the presence of a deoxyhexose unit. The 1H- and 13C -NMR spectral data confirmed 4 was a cholestane rhamnoside with similar spectrometric properties to those of **3**, as further demonstrated by HSOC and HMBC correlations. Compounds 4 and 3 differed by a mass of 16.0073, corresponding to one O atom, and the ¹H and ¹³C signals associated with the sugar chain indicated three glucose units and one rhamnose unit (Table 4). The four sugars were determined to be three β -D-glucose units and one α -L-rhamnose unit in 4 using the procedures described above. In the HMBC spectrum of 4, long-range correlations were observed between H-1 of Glc 3 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz) and C-6 of Glc 2 at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 69.9, between H-1 of Glc 2 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz) and C-6 of Glc 1 at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 69.9, between H-1 of Glc 1 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.96 (d, J = 7.5 Hz) and C-3 of the aglycone at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 78.5, and between H-1 of Rha 1 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.23 (br s) and C-16 of the aglycone at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 82.0 (Fig. 2). The structure of 4 was determined to be (22S)-3 β -[(β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 6)- β -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -D-glucopyranosyl) oxy]-22-hydroxycholest-5,24-dien-16β-yl α-L-rhamnopyranoside (Fig. 1).

HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) analysis of osaundersioside E (5) resulted in peaks at m/z 925.4799 [M + Na]⁺ and 903.5007 [M + H]⁺ (MW 902.4875), consistent with the molecular formula C₄₅H₇₄O₁₈. The ¹H-NMR spectrum in pyridine- d_5 exhibited signals for two methyl groups at quaternary carbons at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.09 (s, Me-18) and 1.30 (s, Me-19), two methyl groups on a double bond at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.73 and 1.82 coupled to an olefinic proton at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.83 (br d, J = 7.5 Hz), and one methyl group attached to a methine carbon at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.37 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, Me-21) which correlated in the HSQC spectrum with five methyl carbons at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 16.4 (C-18), 24.7 (C-19), 26.1 (C-26), 18.7 (C-27), and 17.4 (C-21), and one olefinic carbon at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 125.9 (C-24). The presence of the quaternary carbon at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 136.2 (C-25) was allowed for the existence of a double

 ^{1}H NMR (500 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz) data of compound 4 in C₅D₅N (δ in ppm, J in Hz).

Table 5

¹ H NMR (500 MHz) and ¹³ C NMR (125 MHz)	data compound 5 in C_5D_5N (δ in
ppm, J in Hz).	

Position	4	$\delta_{ m H}$	Position	4	$\delta_{ m H}$
	$\delta_{ m C}$	_		$\delta_{ m C}$	-
1α	37.4	1.07 m		3-0-Glc 1	
1β		1.73 m	1	102.8	4.96 d (7.5)
2α	30.4	2.26 m	2	75.0	4.10 m
2β		1.75 m	3	78.3	4.22 dd (9.0, 9.5)
3α	78.5	3.90 m	4	71.4	4.21 dd (9.0, 9.5)
4α	39.4	2.68 m	5	77.0	3.96 m
4β		2.47 m	6	69.9	4.96 d (7.5)
5	141.0	-			4.79 d (11.0)
6	121.7	5.31 br s		Glc 2	
7	31.9	1.85, 1.41 m	1	105.3	5.06 d (8.0)
8β	31.7	1.85 m	2	75.1	4.06 d (8.0)
9α	50.2	0.83 m	3	78.4	4.22 dd (9.0, 9.5)
10	36.8	-	4	71.4	4.21 dd (9.0, 9.5)
11α	21.0	1.30 dd (7.0, 7.0)	5	77.1	3.96 m
11β		1.36 m	6	69.9	4.85 d (13.5)
12	39.9	1.99, 1.09 m			4.79 d (11.0)
13	42.2	-		Glc 3	
14α	54.8	0.76 m	1	105.5	5.06 d (8.0)
15α	35.6	1.52 m	2	75.2	3.98 d (8.0)
15β		2.25 m	3	78.3	4.22 dd (9.0, 9.5)
16α	82.0	4.38 m	4	71.4	4.21 dd (9.0, 9.5)
17α	57.6	2.00 m	5	78.4	3.94 m
18β	13.1	0.89 s	6	62.5	4.50 br d (11.0)
19β	19.4	0.94 s			4.36 m
20β	35.1	2.28 m		16- <i>O</i> -Rha 1	
21α	11.8	1.24 d (6.5)	1	104.9	5.23 br s
22α	72.0	4.10 m	2	72.6	4.49 br d (11.0)
23α	35.4	2.30 m	3	73.1	4.42 m
23β		2.61 m	4	73.9	4.30 m
24	123.5	5.53 m	5	70.9	4.29 m
25	132.3	-	6	18.4	1.78 d (3.5)
26	25.9	1.65 s			
27	18.1	1.68 s			

bond, further supporting an open-chain steroidal aglycone. The ¹³C-NMR spectrum of **5** showed a total of 45 resonance lines, 18 of which were assigned to two glucose units and one rhamnose unit, and three anomeric carbons were observed at δ 102.6, 101.8, and 101.2. This implied a molecular formula of C₂₇H₄₄O₄ for the aglycone moiety, with 6 degrees of unsaturation, one of which was due to a double bond. Consequently, the aglycone of **5** was assumed to contain a C₂₇ steroid skeleton with a five-ring system (Table 5). On the basis of the aglycone structure, the ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra of **5** were similar to those of **11** (Kuroda et al., 1997), with the exception that the chemical shift of C-11 ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 68.1) was significantly downfield compared with C-11 ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 22.0) in **11**, which was typical of hydroxylation. Moreover, the HMBC spectrum of **5** provided evidence that the hydroxyl group was located at C-11 of the aglycone moiety (Fig. 2).

The stereochemistry of the different ring junctions and substituents in **5** was determined via 2D ROESY. The ROESY correlations from H-19 β /H-5 β , H-14 α /H-9 α were consistent with A/B *cis* and B/C *trans* ring junctions. Cross-peaks observed from H-19 β to H-1 β , H-1 β to H-2 β , and H-3 α to H-2 α indicated β -orientation of the O-glycosyl moiety at C-3. Further ROESY signals for H-23 β /H-20 β , H-20 β /H-19 β , H-21 α /H-22 α / H-17 α /H-16 α /H-15 α , H-15 α /H-14 α , and H-14 α /H-12 α confirmed C/D *trans* and D/E *cis* junctions, and 20S, 22R, and 23S configurations. Additional cross-peaks observed between H-19 β and H-11 β , and between H-18 β and both H-11 β and H-20 β indicated the α -OH position at C-11 (Fig. 3).

The ¹H and 2D NMR data indicated a cholestane glycoside bearing a trisaccharide moiety attached to C-3 via an *O*-glycosidic linkage (Kicha et al., 2017). The sugars were identified by GC analysis as L-rhamnose and D-glucose ($t_{\rm R}$: 29.632 min, 23.558 min). The coupling constants of the anomeric protons at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.34 (br s), 5.05 (d, J = 7.5 Hz) and 5.91 (d,

Position	5	$\delta_{\rm H}$	Position	5	δ_{H}
	$\delta_{ m C}$			$\delta_{ m C}$	
1α	33.8	2.13 m		3-0-Glc 1	
1β		2.96 d (12.0)	1	101.2	5.05 d (7.5)
2α	28.7	2.04 m	2	78.2	4.61 m
2β		2.28 m	3	79.6	4.57 m
3α	75.3	4.40 m	4	71.8	4.13 m
4α	31.2	2.03 m	5	78.5	4.46 m
4β		2.00 m	6	63.6	4.57 m
5β	36.9	2.58 m			4.42 m
6α	27.5	1.91 m		Glc 2	
6β		1.59 m	1	101.8	5.91 d (7.0)
7	27.1	1.59, 1.18 m	2	79.9	4.23 m
8β	37.7	2.00 m	3	79.3	4.57 m
9α	47.4	1.79 d (10.0)	4	73.1	4.14 m
10	34.8	-	5	77.8	3.91 m
11β	68.1	4.18 m	6	62.5	4.48 m
12α	52.9	1.63 m			4.37 m
12β		2.52 s		Rha 1	
13	42.7	-	1	102.6	6.34 br s
14α	52.9	1.17 m	2	72.4	4.83 m
15α	34.5	2.18 m	3	72.7	4.69 m
15β		1.39 m	4	74.4	4.39 m
16α	72.5	4.35 m	5	69.6	5.05 d (7.5)
17α	60.2	1.25 dd (10.0, 7.5)	6	19.1	1.84 d (6.0)
18β	16.4	1.09 s			
19β	24.7	1.30 s			
20β	34.0	2.21 m			
21α	17.4	1.37 d (6.0)			
22α	76.4	3.58 m			
23β	77.8	4.62 m			
24	125.9	5.83 d (7.5)			
25	136.2	-			
26	26.1	1.73 s			
27	18.7	1.82 s			

J = 7.0 Hz) led to the assignment of *α*- and *β*-configurations for the L-rhamnose and D-glucose moieties, respectively. The HMBC correlations at $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 6.34 (H-1, Rha 1)/77.6 (C-2, Glc 2), $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 5.91 (H-1, Glc 2)/78.2 (C-2, Glc 1), and $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 5.04 (H-1, Glc 1)/75.3 (C-3, aglycone) confirmed the linkage sequence of the trisaccharide moiety. These data were collectively used to determine the structure of **5** to be 3-[(*α*-L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 → 2)-*β*-D-glucopyranosyl-(1 → 2)-*β*-D-glucopyr-anosyl)oxy]-16,23-epoxy-11*α*,22-dihydroxy-23-(2-methyl-1-propenyl)-(3*β*,16*β*,20*S*,22*R*,23*S*)-yl cholestane triglycoside (Fig. 1).

Osaundersioside F (6) had a molecular formula of $C_{39}H_{64}O_{13}$ based on HRESIMS (positive-ion mode, m/z 763.4253 [M + Na]⁺, MW 740.4347). The ¹H and ¹³C-NMR spectrometric data of **6** were analogous to those of **11**, and assignment of the aglycone signals of **6** via examination of COSY, HSQC, and HMBC spectra revealed that this saponin also contained the same structure as **11** (Table 6). Analysis of the sugars, as described above, revealed two β -D-glucose units (t_R : 29.568 min), and the NMR spectra exhibited the same attachment of a (1 \rightarrow 2) linked diglucose moiety at C-3 of the aglycone as seen in **1** (Fig. 2). Therefore, the structure of **6** was determined to be 3-[(β -Dglucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- β -D-glucopyranosyl)oxy]-16,23-epoxy-22-hydroxy-23-(2-methyl-1-propenyl)-(3 β ,16 β ,205,22R,23S)-yl cholestane diglycoside (Fig. 1).

Osaundersioside G (7) was isolated as an amorphous solid. Its molecular formula of $C_{51}H_{80}O_{23}$ was deduced using HRESIMS (positive-ion mode, m/z 1083.5087 [M + Na]⁺, MW 1060.5090), indicating an index of hydrogen deficiency of 12. The IR spectrum was consistent with the presence of hydroxyl groups (3410 cm⁻¹) and an aldehyde group (1710 cm⁻¹); furthermore, the presence of the latter was further supported by ¹³C-NMR resonance at δ 207.4 (CHO). The ¹H-NMR spectrum of 7 displayed signals arising from three tertiary methyl

 $^{1}\mathrm{H}$ NMR (500 MHz) and $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (125 MHz) data compound **6** in C₅D₅N (δ in ppm, J in Hz).

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$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1β		1.83 m	1	101.9	4.97 d (7.5)
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	2α	27.0	1.51 m	2	83.0	4.27 m
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	2β		1.79 m	3	78.6	3.97 m
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	3α	75.2	4.31 m	4	71.7	4.19 t (9.0)
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5β 36.8 2.19 m 4.52 m	4β		1.80 m	6	62.8	4.57 m
	5β	36.8	2.19 m			4.52 m
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7 26.8 1.21, 1.16 m 2 77.7 4.26 m	7	26.8	1.21, 1.16 m	2	77.7	4.26 m
8β 35.3 1.39 m 3 77.9 4.33 m	8β	35.3	1.39 m	3	77.9	4.33 m
9 <i>α</i> 40.2 1.29 m 4 71.5 4.34 m	9α	40.2	1.29 m	4	71.5	4.34 m
10 35.2 – 5 78.2 3.88 m	10	35.2	-	5	78.2	3.88 m
11β 21.1 1.30, 1.21 m 6 62.6 4.52 m	11β	21.1	1.30, 1.21 m	6	62.6	4.52 m
12 <i>α</i> 40.9 1.12 m 4.34 m	12α	40.9	1.12 m			4.34 m
12β 1.86 s	12β		1.86 s			
13 42.3 -	13	42.3	-			
14 <i>α</i> 53.4 0.86 m	14α	53.4	0.86 m			
15 <i>α</i> 34.3 2.07 m	15α	34.3	2.07 m			
15β 1.29 m	15β		1.29 m			
16 <i>α</i> 72.4 4.27 m	16α	72.4	4.27 m			
17α 60.2 $1.12 \mathrm{m}$	17α	60.2	1.12 m			
18β 15.3 0.98 s	18β	15.3	0.98 s			
19β 24.0 0.98 s	19β	24.0	0.98 s			
20β 34.0 2.17 m	20β	34.0	2.17 m			
21 <i>α</i> 17.6 1.36 d (6.5)	21α	17.6	1.36 d (6.5)			
22 <i>α</i> 76.4 3.59 br s	22α	76.4	3.59 br s			
23β 77.1 4.58 d (8.5)	23β	77.1	4.58 d (8.5)			
24 126.0 5.79 d (9.0)	24	126.0	5.79 d (9.0)			
25 135.2 -	25	135.2	-			
26 26.1 1.69 s	26	26.1	1.69 s			
27 18.7 1.78 s	27	18.7	1.78 s			

groups at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 0.76 (s, H₃-19), 1.68 (s, H₃-26), and 1.77 (s, H₃-27), and a secondary methyl group at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 0.97 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, H₃-21) (Table 7). An olefinic carbon signal at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 134.5(C-25), an HSQC cross-peak at $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 4.89 (m)/126.2 (C-24), and HMBC correlations between $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.89 (H-24) and both $\delta_{\rm C}$ 26.0 (C-26) and 19.0 (C-27) suggested a $\Delta^{24(25)}$ double bond. An olefinic hydrogen signal at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.35 (br s, H-6) correlated with the HSQC spectrum at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 120.8, and a quaternary carbon at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 141.2 (C-5) suggested a $\Delta^{5(6)}$ double bond. The signal at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 10.11 (s) showed long range HMBC correlations with $\delta_{\rm C}$ 33.5 (C-12), and 59.3 (C-13) was assigned to H-18. The HMBC correlations at $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 2.44 (H-22)/59.4 (C-17)/98.2 (C-23), 5.12 (H-23)/69.7 (C-16), and 4.88 (H-16)/98.2 (C-23)/59.4 (C-17) indicated a six-membered hemiacetal ring between C-16 and C-23 (Fig. 2). The aglycone of 7 was identified as 16,23-epoxy-23-hydroxy-22-(2-methyl-1-propenyl)-24-noechol-5-en-18-al by comparison of its spectral data with those in the literature (Kuroda et al., 1999b), which had been previously isolated from the bulbs of O. saundersiae Baker.

The stereochemistry at the 3, 16, 20, 22, and 23 positions was determined by correlations in the ROESY spectrum. ROESY correlations between H-19 β /H-8 β , H-11 β , H-18 β /H-11 β , H-15 β , H-9 α /H-14 α , and H-15 α /H-14 α indicated that **7** had the usual B/C *trans* and C/D *trans* steroidal ring junctions. Other ROESY correlations between H-17 α /H-21 α , H-22 α , H-16 α , H-14 α , H-15 α /H-14 α , H-17 α , H-16 α , H-22 α /H-21 α , H-17 α , H-16 α , H-20 β /H-23 β provided evidence of 20S, 22S, and 23R configurations. In addition, the ROESY cross-peaks at H-2 α /H-3 α and H-1 α and H-4 α /H-3 α demonstrated the β -orientation of the *O*-glycosyl moiety at C-3 (Fig. 3).

For the saccharide portion, the ¹H-NMR spectrum of 7 exhibited four resonances in the deshielded region due to anomeric protons at $\delta_{\rm H}$

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Table 7

¹ H NMR (500 MHz)	and ¹³ C NMR	(125 MHz)	data	compound 7	in C_5D_5N (δ in
ppm, J in Hz).						

Position	7	$\delta_{ m H}$	Position	7	$\delta_{ m H}$
	$\delta_{ m C}$			$\delta_{ m C}$	
1α	37.5	1.06 dd (13.0, 11.0)		3-0-Glc 1	
1β		1.66	1	101.3	5.07 d (9.5)
2α	30.1	2.23 d (12.0)	2	75.2	4.25 m
2β		1.79 m	3	78.3	4.13 m
3α	78.4	3.93 m	4	71.5	4.76 m
4α	39.3	2.83 d (11.5)	5	76.7	3.98 m
4β		2.57 t (12.5)	6	69.8	5.01 m
5	141.2	-			4.88 m
6	120.8	5.35 br s		Glc 2	
7α	32.0	1.87 m	1	105.3	5.09 br s
7β		1.48 m	2	80.0	4.32 m
8β	33.4	1.62 m	3	79.4	4.33 m
9α	49.9	0.95 s	4	71.6	4.23 m
10	36.7	-	5	78.3	3.93 m
11α	22.5	1.37 m	6	62.6	4.51 m
11β		1.47 m			4.44 m
12α	33.5	2.63 br d (12.5)		Glc 3	
12β		1.00	1	102.0	5.86 m
13	59.3	-	2	78.5	4.23 m
14α	52.5	1.25 m	3	79.0	4.45 m
15α	33.4	2.34 ddd (7.5, 7.5, 6.0)	4	72.1	4.70 br d (9.0)
15β		1.94 m	5	77.8	3.99 m
16α	69.7	4.88 m	6	62.8	4.37 m
17α	59.4	1.45 m			4.31 m
18β	207.4	10.11 s		Rha 1	
19β	19.3	0.76 s	1	102.0	6.40 br s
20β	31.2	1.47 m	2	72.3	4.10 m
21α	18.6	0.97 d (6.0)	3	72.5	4.47 m
22α	47.5	2.44 ddd (10.5, 10.0, 7.5)	4	74.3	4.15 m
23β	98.2	5.12 br s	5	69.8	4.30 m
24	126.2	4.89 m	6	18.8	1.80 d (5.5)
25	134.2	-			
26	26.0	1.68 s			
27	19.0	1.77 s			

5.07 (br d, J = 9.5 Hz), 5.09 (br s), 5.86 (m), and 6.40 (br s) that correlated in the HSQC experiment with corresponding carbon signals at δ_c 101.3, 105.3, 102.0, and 102.0, respectively (Table 7). The β pyranoid anomeric form of the glucose moieties was demonstrated by the large J value of the anomeric proton in the ¹H-NMR spectrum. A methyl doublet at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.80 (d, $J = 5.5 \,\text{Hz}$) showed the presence of a 6deoxyhexose unit. Acid hydrolysis of 7 resulted in three D-glucose and one L-rhamnose (t_R: 29.592 min, 23.530 min). Correlations in the HMBC spectrum of 7 between $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.40 (H-1, Rha 1) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 78.5 (C-2, Glc 3), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.86 (H-1, Glc 3) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 80.0 (C-2, Glc 2), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.09 and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 69.8 (C-6, Glc 1), and $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.07 (H-1, Glc 1) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 78.4 (C-3, aglycone) established the presence of glycoside residues at position C-3 (Fig. 2). Thus, the structure of **7** was assigned as $3-[(\alpha-L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow \alpha))]$ 2)- β -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 2)$ - β -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -D-glucopyranosyl)oxy]-16,23-epoxy-23-hydroxy-22-(2-methyl-1-propenyl)-(3*β*,16*β*,20*S*,22*S*,23*R*)-24-norchol-5-en-18-al (Fig. 1).

The HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) spectrum of osaundersioside H (8) contained a peak at m/z 937.4488 [M + Na]⁺ (MW 914.4511), resulting in a molecular formula assignment of $C_{45}H_{70}O_{19}$. For the aglycone, the ¹H-NMR spectrum of osaundersioside H (8) exhibited signals corresponding to a tertiary methyl group, two secondary methyl groups, two methyl groups on a double bond, a hemiacetal proton, and two olefinic protons, which were analogous to those of 7 (Table 8), with the exception of one carboxylic carbon signal at δ_C 176.9 in 8 in place of the one aldehyde carbon signal at δ_C 207.4 in 7. Correlations observed in the HMBC spectrum between δ_H 1.61 and δ_H 1.28 (H-12/14) and δ_C 176.9 (C-18) indicated a carboxyl group at C-13. As such, 8 was determined to be a C-18 carboxylic acid derivative of 7 for the aglycone

	¹ H NMR (500 MHz) and ¹³ C N	MR (125 MHz)) data compound	8 in C_5D_5N	$(\delta in$
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20β 32.5 2.09 m	
21α 19.5 1.32 d (6.0)	
22α 48.2 2.56 m	
23β 98.3 5.27 d (6.5)	
24 127.0 5.03 m	
25 133.7 -	
26 26.0 1.71 s	
27 18.8 1.86 s	

moiety. Three anomeric proton signals were also present in the ¹H-NMR spectrum of **8**, and these displayed HSQC correlations with signals at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 101.2 (Glc 1), 102.2 (Glc 2), and 102.0 (Rha 1). Correlations between $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.44 (s, H-1, Rha1) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 78.6 (C-2, Glc 2), $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.93 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, H-1, Glc 2) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 80.6 (C-2, Glc 1), and $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.18 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, Glc 1) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 78.8 (C-3, aglycone) in the HMBC spectrum of **8** revealed the presence of the same linked trisaccharide moiety observed in **5** and **11** (Fig. 2). Thus, **8** was assigned the structure 3-[(α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 2)- β -D-glucopyranosyl-(3 β ,16 β ,20*S*,22*S*,23*R*)-24-norchol-5-en-18-oic acid (Fig. 1).

2.2. Cytotoxic activities of compounds 1-11

All isolates were evaluated for cytotoxic activity against five cell lines. Compound **3** exhibited specific cytotoxicity toward the MCF-7 cell line with an IC₅₀ value of $0.20 \,\mu$ M, similar to that of the positive control, paclitaxel (19.9 nM). The IC₅₀ values for compound **3** toward the other four cell lines were greater than $10 \,\mu$ M, it was thus considered to be inactive against these cells. Moreover, none of the other compounds exhibited cytotoxicity toward any of the cell lines, with IC₅₀ values greater than $10 \,\mu$ M (Andriamisaina et al., 2019).

2.3. Anti-inflammatory activities of compounds 1-11

The *in vitro* anti-inflammatory activities of 1-11 were evaluated based on their abilities to inhibit LPS-induced NO production in mouse peritoneal macrophages. The results indicated that compound **8** inhibited NO production by 56.81% in macrophages at a concentration of 10^{-5} M. The other compounds were either inactive or only marginally active. The positive control DEX inhibited NO production by 97.23% at 10^{-5} M (Xiang et al., 2018).

3. Experimental

3.1. General experimental procedures

Optical rotation was measured using an Autopol V automatic polarimeter. UV spectra were obtained using a Jasco V650 spectrophotometer. IR spectra were recorded using a Nicolet 5700 FT-IR microscope transmission instrument, ¹H-NMR (500 or 600 MHz), ¹³C-NMR (125 or 150 MHz), and 2D NMR spectrometric data were recorded using a Bruker AV-III-500 spectrometer or a Bruker-600 NMR spectrometer. Chemical shifts were reported in δ (ppm) with the solvent (pyridine-d₅) peaks as references. High-resolution electrospray ionization mass spectrometry (HRESIMS) was performed using an Agilent 6520 HPLC-Q-TOF (Agilent Technologies, Waldbronn, Germany). Preparative HPLC was performed using a SEP LC-52 instrument equipped with a SilGreen HPLC column (250 \times 10 mm, 5 μ m, Peking, China). HPLC-DAD analysis was performed using an Agilent 1200 series system (Agilent Technologies) equipped with a COSMOSIL 5 C18 MS-II column (250 \times 4.6 mm, 5 μm , Tokyo, Japan). Sephadex LH-20 (Pharmacia Fine Chemicals, Uppsala, Sweden), Diaion HP-20 (Mitsubishi Chemical Corp, Tokyo, Japan), silica gel (200-300 mesh, Qingdao Marine Chemical Factory, China), and ODS (50 µm, Merck, Germany) were used for column chromatography (CC). TLC was outperformed using precoated glass Si gel GF254 plates (Qingdao Marine Chemical Factory).

3.2. Plant material

The bulbs of *Ornithogalum saundersiae* Baker (Asparagaceae) were purchased from Yuanjiang County, Yunnan province, China in March 2015, and identified by Prof. Jian-Qiang Kong. A voucher specimen (OS-2015-03) was retained in our laboratory.

3.3. Extraction and isolation

The plant material (dry weight, 19.76 kg) was cut into small pieces and extracted with hot EtOH twice at 60 °C. The EtOH concentrated in *vacuo* was partitioned with petroleum ether $(3 \times 5 L)$, EtOAc $(3 \times 5 L)$, and *n*-BuOH (3 \times 5 L). The *n*-BuOH layer was evaporated, and the residue (467 g) was separated using a Diaion HP-20 column $(120 \times 20 \text{ cm})$ with a stepwise EtOH/H₂O mobile phase gradient (1:9 EtOH:H₂O v/v to 100% EtOH). Fractions eluted with 50% EtOH were further loaded onto an ODS silica gel column (46 \times 3.6 cm) under reduced pressure and eluted using a stepwise MeOH/H₂O gradient (1:9 MeOH/H₂O v/v to 100% MeOH) to yield 50% MeOH (22 g) and 60% MeOH (40g) subfractions. The 50% MeOH subfraction was further separated using an LH-20 column (50 \times 10 cm) with a MeOH/H₂O stepwise gradient (1:4 MeOH/H2O v/v to 100% MeOH), resulting in four fractions (I-IV). Fraction I was subjected to silica gel column chromatography and eluted with a stepwise CHCl₃/MeOH gradient (8:1-1:1, v/v) into 8 subfractions $(I_a - I_b)$. Fraction I_c was separated using an ODS silica gel column (31×2.6 cm) under reduced pressure with a stepwise MeOH/H₂O gradient (1:9-9:1, v/v) into fractions ($I_{c,1}$ $-I_{c.5}$). Fraction $I_{c.3}$ was subjected to silica gel column chromatography with a stepwise CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O gradient (50:10:1-12:10:1, v/v), resulting in collection of 7 subfractions $(I_{c,3,1} - I_{c,3,7})$. Fraction $I_{c,3,5}$ was submitted loaded onto a SilGreen C18 column and eluted with 70% aqueous MeOH at 3 mL/min to obtain pure **3** (70.0 mg, t_{R} : 9.6 min). HPLC separation of Fraction Ic.3.6 on a SilGreen C18 column with MeOH/H₂O (17:8, v/v) at 3 mL/min yielded pure 4 (259.7 mg, $t_{\rm R}$: 11.2 min) and 7 (265.7 mg, $t_{\rm R}$: 14.5 min). Fraction I_g was separated by preparative HPLC (SilGreen C18 column, 3 mL/min) using MeOH/H2O (2:1, v/v) to yield 1 (26.1 mg, $t_{\rm R}$: 16.1 min) and 2 (104.2 mg, $t_{\rm R}$: 20.4 min). HPLC separation of Fraction I_h using a SilGreen C₁₈ column (3 mL/min) with MeOH/H₂O (7:3, v/v) resulted in purification of 5 (256.8 mg, $t_{\rm R}$: 13.4 min). A portion of Fraction II was purified using silica gel CC with CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O (40:10:1-12:10:1) and a SilGreen C₁₈ column (3 mL/min) with MeOH/H₂O (2:1, v/v) to obtain **8** (17.7 mg, $t_{\rm R}$: 15.3 min). The 60% MeOH fraction was separated on an ODS silica gel column (46 × 3.6 cm) under reduced pressure with a stepwise MeOH/H₂O gradient (1:9–100% MeOH, v/v), to yield 3 subfractions (A – C). Fraction B was separated by silica gel CC using CHCl₃/MeOH/H₂O (50:10:1-12:10:1, v/v/v) into 5 subfractions (B.1-B.5). HPLC separation of Fraction B.2 on a SilGreen C₁₈ column (3 mL/min) with MeOH/H₂O (13:7, v/v) yielded pure **6** (273.8 mg, $t_{\rm R}$: 14.1 min).

3.4. Determination of the absolute configuration of sugar moieties

Determination of the absolute configurations of sugar moieties was performed as described previously (Shao et al., 2017). Compounds (1-8) (2 mg) were separately dissolved in 1M hydrochloric acid (2 mL) and refluxed for 12 h at 80 °C. The mixtures were concentrated under vacuum, and the residues were suspended in H₂O and extracted three times with ethyl acetate. The aqueous layers were evaporated under vacuum, diluted repeatedly with H2O and evaporated under vacuum to produce neutral residues. The residues were dissolved in fresh anhydrous pyridine (1.0 mL). L-cysteine methyl ester hydrochloride (2 mg) was added, and the reaction mixtures were heated at 60 °C for 2 h. Then, the mixtures were concentrated under vacuum and placed in a drying oven for 2 h at 37 °C. N-trimethylsilylimidazole (0.2 mL) was added to the mixtures and heated at 60 $^\circ$ C for 2 h H₂O (2 mL) was added to the mixtures to stop the reactions, and each mixture was extracted three times with n-hexane (2 mL each extraction). The n-hexane extracts were subjected to GC analysis under the following conditions: HP-5 (60 m \times 0.25 mm, with a 0.25 µm film) column; FID detector; injector temperature of 300 °C; detector temperature of 300 °C; initial column temperature 200 °C, which was then raised to 280 °C at 8 °C/ min, and the final temperature maintained for 30 min; N₂ as the carrier gas. D-glucose and L-rhamnose were confirmed by comparing the retention time of the derivatives of the purified molecules to the standard derivatized sugars, which had retention times of 29.662 min and 23.576 min, respectively.

3.5. Structural characterization

Osaundersioside A (1): Amorphous solid; [a]20 D – 27.8 (c = 0.9, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 203.2 (4.07) nm; IR ν_{max} 3391, 2933, 1449, 1381, 1076, 1048, 633 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 600 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (C₅D₅N, 150 MHz), see Table 1; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z 925.4797 [M + Na]⁺, m/z 903.4997 [M + H]⁺.

Osaundersioside B (2): Amorphous solid; [a]20 D – 60.0 (c = 1.3, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 202.8 (3.94) nm; IR ν_{max} 3403, 2935, 1450, 1382, 1128, 1049, 637 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 500 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (C₅D₅N, 125 MHz), see Table 2; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z 909.4841 [M + Na]⁺, m/z 887.5031 [M + H]⁺.

Osaundersioside C (3): Amorphous solid; [a]20 D – 38.2 (c = 1.1, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 202.8 (3.98) nm; IR ν_{max} 3375, 2935, 1450, 1380, 1124, 1050, 625 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 500 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (C₅D₅N, 125 MHz), see Table 3; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z 1055.5354 [M + Na]⁺, m/z 1033.5536 [M + H]⁺.

Osaundersioside D (4): Amorphous solid; [a]20 D – 46.7 (c = 0.9, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 202.8 (3.93) nm; IR ν_{max} 3367, 3236, 2936, 1449, 1380, 1161, 1110, 629 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 500 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (C₅D₅N, 125 MHz), see Table 4; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z 1071.5427 [M + Na]⁺.

Osaundersioside E (5): Amorphous solid; [a]20 D – 92.0 (c = 1.0, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 203.2 (4.05) nm; IR ν_{max} 3376, 2926, 1449, 1378, 1126, 1073, 636 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 500 MHz) and

¹³C-NMR (C_5D_5N , 125 MHz), see Table 5; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z 925.4799 [M + Na]⁺, m/z 903.5007 [M + H]⁺.

Osaundersioside F (6): Amorphous solid; [a]20 D - 45.0 (c = 1.2, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 203.4 (4.12) nm; IR ν_{max} 3375, 2927, 1449, 1377, 1076, 1047, 634 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 500 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (C₅D₅N, 125 MHz), see Table 6; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z: 763.4253 [M + Na]⁺.

Osaundersioside G (7) Amorphous solid; [a]20 D – 65.0 (c = 1.0, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 203.2 (4.14) nm; IR ν_{max} 3410, 2931, 1710, 1451, 1376, 1043, 636 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 500 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (C₅D₅N, 125 MHz), see Table 7; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z 1083.5087 [M + Na]⁺.

Osaundersioside H (8): Amorphous solid; [a]20 D – 90.0 (c = 0.7, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ε) 202.8 (4.08) nm; IR ν_{max} 3402, 2932, 1710,1444, 1376, 1072, 1034, 629 cm⁻¹; ¹H-NMR (C₅D₅N, 500 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (C₅D₅N, 125 MHz), see Table 8; HRESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z 937.4488 [M + Na]⁺.

3.6. Cytotoxicity assay

The cytotoxicity of compounds 1–11 against HCT-116 (human colon cancer cell line), HepG2 (human hepatocyte carcinoma cell line), BGC-823 (human gastric carcinoma cell line), A549 (human non-small-cell lung cancer cell line), and MCF-7 (human breast carcinoma cell line) cells was tested as described previously (Tang et al., 2013; Liu and Kong, 2018). Paclitaxel $(10^{-5} \text{ M}, \text{ final concentration})$ was used as the positive control.

3.7. Inhibition of LPS-induced NO production in macrophage

The inhibitory effects of compounds **1–11** on NO production in LPSactivated mouse peritoneal macrophages were evaluated according to an established procedure (Wang et al., 2014). Dexamethasone (DEX, 10^{-5} M, final concentration) was used as the positive control.

Conflicts of interest

The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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