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# Two new 5-deoxyflavan-3,4-diol glucosides from roots of *Albizia chevalieri*

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ABSTRACT Phytochemical investigation of the roots of *Albizia chevalieri* led to the isolation of two new 5-deoxyflavan-3,4-diol glucosides from roots of *A. chevalieri*, Chevalieriflavanosides A and B. Their structures were established by 2D NMR techniques, UV, IR, CD, and mass spectrometry. Cytotoxicity of the two compounds was evaluated against acute promyelocytic leukemia HL60 cells. The antibacterial activities of 1 and 2 also were evaluated against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Staphylococcus aureus* using the agar diffusion test. Copyright © 2016 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

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# Introduction

*Albizia chevalieri* (Mimosaceae) is a tree that grows up to 12 m high or a shrub under harsher conditions of the dry savannah from Senegal, Niger, Nigeria, and Cameroon. The leaf extract of *A. chevalieri* is used for the management of diabetes mellitus by traditional medical practitioners in some parts of Niger Republic and Sokoto, Nigeria.<sup>[11]</sup> The leaf extract has been reported to have a significant hypoglycemic effect,<sup>[11]</sup> dysentery,<sup>[2,3]</sup> hematotoxicity,<sup>[4]</sup> hypolipidemic,<sup>[5]</sup> and antioxidant activity.<sup>[5]</sup> The bark is used in Borno-North eastern Nigeria as purgative, taenicide, and coughs.<sup>[6]</sup> There are also reports on the local use of the leaves extract for cancer treatment in Zaria city, Kaduna state.<sup>[6]</sup> In prior studies on the genus *Albizia*, saponins and flavonoids were found as the main constituents.<sup>[7–9]</sup> A previous phytochemical investigation on *A. chevalieri* stem bark led to the isolation and structure elucidation of three known pentacyclic triterpenoids: friedelin, friedelan-3-ol, and lupeol.<sup>[10]</sup>

In our continuing search for bioactive compounds from Cameroon medicinal plants, we investigated *A. chevalieri* from a phytopharmacological point of view. Therefore, we report herein the isolation of two previously undescribed flavan-3,4-diol gluco-sides, chevalieriflavanosides A (1) and B (2) (Fig. 1) from roots of *A. chevalieri*. Their structures were determined by spectroscopic methods including 1D and 2D NMR experiments, IR, UV, CD, and HR-ESI-MS. Furthermore, they were examined for cytotoxicity against acute promyelocytic leukemia HL60 cells. The antibacterial activity of 1 and 2 was also reported.

# **Results and Discussion**

Compound **1** was obtained as a brownish amorphous powder and gave a dark blue coloration with FeCl<sub>3</sub> reagent. Moreover, it showed a positive Shinoda test,<sup>[11]</sup> suggesting that **1** is a flavonoid. The molecular formula  $C_{21}H_{24}O_{11}$  was established from the HR-ESI-MS

which showed the pseudo-molecular ion peak at m/z 475.12101 ([M + Na]<sup>+</sup>). The IR spectrum displayed absorption band of hydroxyl groups at v<sub>max</sub> 3394 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The UV spectrum exhibited characteristic absorbance bands of flavan-3,4-diol at  $\lambda_{max}$  225 and 275 nm.<sup>[12]</sup> The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **1** showed an aromatic AB coupled system at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.83 (1H, d, J=8.3 Hz, H-5) and 6.89 (1H, d, J=8.3 Hz, H-6), and an AA'BB' spin system at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.81 (2H, d, J=8.3 Hz, H-3', H-5') and 7.42 (2H, d, J = 8.3 Hz, H-2', H-6'). This observation suggested a tetrasubstituted A-ring, and hence the AA'BB' aromatic spin system was located on B-ring. The location of the AB system at H-5 and H-6 was confirmed by the HMBC correlations (Fig. 2) of H-5 with C-6, C-7, C-4, C-4a, and C-8a, and of H-6 with C-4a, C-5, C-7, and C-8. The NMR spectrum of **1** further showed signals of a sugar unit at  $\delta_{\rm H}/\delta_{\rm C}$ 4.76 (1H, d, J=7.6 Hz, H-1") / 104.4 (C-1"), 3.49 (1H, t, J=7.6 Hz, H-2") / 74.9 (C-2"), 3.45 (1H, dd, J=9.0 Hz, 7.6, H-3") / 77.6 (C-3"), 3.39 (1H, m, H-4") / 71.2 (C-4"), 3.42 (1H, m, H-5") / 78.3 (C-5"), 3.72 (1H, dd, J=12.5, 4.8 Hz, H-6"), and 3.88 (1H, dd, J=12.5, 2.1 Hz, H-6") / 62.4 (C-6"). Stereochemistry at anomeric position of the sugar moiety

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Figure 1. Chemical structures of compounds 1 and 2.

of **1** was assigned as  $\beta$  on the basis of <sup>1</sup>H–<sup>1</sup>H coupling constants ( $J_{1",2"} = 7.6$  Hz) in the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **1**. The sugar was identified as D-glucopyranosyl by the measurement of optical rotation and retention time and by the evaluation of spin–spin couplings and chemical shifts.<sup>[13]</sup> The remaining signals in the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra correspond to those of a propan-1,2,3-triol (chroman ring) at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  / $\delta_{\rm C}$  5.11 (1H, br. s, H-2) / 76.4 (C-2), 3.87 (1H, d, J=2.7 Hz, H-3) / 72.5 (C-3), and 4.48 (1H, d, J=2.7 Hz, H-4) / 69.2 (C-4). They were assigned to H-2, H-3, and H-4, respectively as H-2 showed HMBC correlations with C-1', C-2', C-3, C-4, and C-8a, and



Figure 2. Selected HMBC  $(H \rightarrow C)$  correlations of 1 and 2.

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the H-4, correlations with C-2, C-3, C-4a, C-5, and C-8a. Acid hydrolysis of **1** afforded a free sugar moiety and (-)-teracacidin.<sup>[14]</sup> The HMBC correlation between the anomeric proton of the glucose unit and C-7 ( $\delta_{c}$  147.0) suggested that the glucose is fixed at C-7 through an ether linkage. The R-configuration of C-2 was deduced from the CD spectra which showed a negative cotton effect within the <sup>1</sup>L<sub>b</sub> transition ([ $\theta$ ]<sub>278</sub> = -4000).<sup>[15]</sup> The coupling constants  $(J_{2,3} = \text{nearly 0 Hz and } J_{3,4} = 2.7 \text{ Hz})$  between H-2 and H-3, and between H-3 and H-4 of C-ring, confirmed the 2,3-cis-3,4-cis relative configurations. The trend of small coupling constants compared to their trans isomers  $({}^{3}J=7.0 \text{ Hz}-10.0 \text{ Hz})$  has been well established in closely related 2,3-cis-3,4-cis-flavan-3,4,7,3',4'-pentaol  $(J_{2,3} = 1.0 \text{ Hz},$ J<sub>3,4</sub> = 4.0 Hz) and 2,3-cis-3,4-cis-4-methoxyflavan-3,7,8,3',4'-pentaol  $(J_{2,3} = 1.0 \text{ Hz}, J_{3,4} = 2.8 \text{ Hz})$ .<sup>[16,17]</sup> Thus, the absolute configuration of the flavan moiety of 1 was elucidated to be 2R,3R,4R as shown in Fig. 1, named chevalieriflavanoside A.

Compound 2, obtained as a brownish amorphous powder, also gave a dark blue coloration with FeCl<sub>3</sub> reagent. It showed a positive Shinoda test suggesting that **2** is a flavonoid. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 2 (Table 1) were similar to those of 1 with the differences being the chemicals shifts and coupling patterns of C-2 [ $\delta_{H}$  5.00 (1H, d, J=9.0 Hz);  $\delta_{c}$  78.3], C-3 [ $\delta_{H}$  3.97 (1H, dd, J=9.0, 3.4 Hz);  $\delta_{C}$  72.0], and C-4 [ $\delta_{H}$  4.57 (1H, d, J=3.4 Hz);  $\delta_{C}$  $_{6}7.8$ ] in **2** compared to those of corresponding carbons in **1**. This suggested that 2 has different configurations at the C-ring from those of 1. The gross structure of 2 was clearly elucidated by analyzing 2D NMR experiments (COSY (Fig. S8), HMQC (Fig. S9), HMBC (Fig. S10)). Furthermore, the absolute configuration of 2 was determined by comparing their coupling constants and CD data. The CD data of **2** ( $[\theta]_{270}$  –1000) established its absolute configuration to be 2R. By contrast, the large coupling constant between H-2/H-3 in 2 meant that H-3 must be pseudo-equatorial. and so the 4-hydroxy must be  $\beta$ . The small coupling constants between H-3 and H-4 of the C-ring suggested the 3,4-trans

configuration. 2,3-*trans*-3,4-*cis*-orientation was further supported by previously reported compound, 2,3-*trans*-3,4-*cis*-7,4'dimethoxyflavan-3,4-diol  $(J_{2,3} = 9.7 \text{ Hz}, J_{3,4} = 3.6 \text{ Hz})$ ,<sup>[18]</sup>  $(J_{2,3} = 9.5 \text{ Hz}, J_{3,4} = 3.5 \text{ Hz})$ .<sup>[19]</sup> On the basis of the evidence, the absolute configuration of the flavan moiety was established as 2*R*,3*S*,4*S* as shown in Fig. 2, named chevalieriflavanoside B.

Compounds 1 and 2 were evaluated for their cytotoxic activities against human cancer. Unfortunately, they exhibited no activities towards HL60 cells at the concentration of  $100 \,\mu$ M.

The antibacterial activities of **1** and **2** also were evaluated against *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Staphylococcus aureus* using the agar diffusion test, and the **1** and **2** showed marginal activity at 100  $\mu$ g/disk.

Catechins having the same skeleton with the chevalieriflavanosides are reported antibacterial to have activity.<sup>[20,21]</sup> Because of the minimal activity of the chevalieriflavanosides, one might assume that the absence of hydroxyl group at C-5 on A-ring decreases the antibacterial activity, and the occurrence of a glycosidic unit at C-7 also makes them weaker because of their high polarity.<sup>[22]</sup>

# Experimental

#### General experimental procedure

CD spectra were recorded on a JASCO 302-A spectrophotometer in MeOH. The ESI-MS was measured on a Varian AAT 311A mass spectrometer, and HR-ESI-MS was taken on a JEOL HX110 mass spectrometer. 1D and 2D NMR spectra were run on JEOL JNM-ECZ600R/S1 600-MHz NMR spectrometer. The <sup>1</sup>H (600 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C (150 MHz) chemical shifts were referenced to the residual solvent peak of methanol- $d_4$  at  $\delta_H$  3.30 for proton and  $\delta_C$  49.0 ppm for carbon. All sample concentrations ranged from 6 to 10 mg/ml with a total volume of 0.5 ml for each sample. The <sup>1</sup>H sweep width was set at 11 282 Hz for all experiments with a 45° pulse for <sup>1</sup>H and a 30° pulse for <sup>13</sup>C. The pulse programs of the COSY, HSQC, and HMBC experiments were taken from the Varian Software Library, and standard pulse sequences were used for 2D spectra. Homonuclear 2D spectra and inverse proton-detected heteronuclear 2D spectra were acquired in the phase-sensitive mode, and HMBC spectra were acquired in the absolute value mode. The COSY was acquired with 200F1 increments with 32 scans per increment. Sinebell weighting was applied to the F2 dimension before zero filled to 32 K points, and a sinebell was applied to the F1 and zero filled to 2 K points before Fourier transformation. The NMR notebook software was used for 1D and 2D spectra processing. Proton-detected heteronuclear correlations were measured using HSQC (optimized for  ${}^{1}J_{CH} = 145 \text{ Hz}$ ) and HMBC (optimized for  $J_{CH} = 8$  Hz). Sinebell weighting was applied to both <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C dimensions and zero filled to 4 K and 1 K, respectively. The chemical shifts are given in ppm ( $\delta$ ), relative to TMS as internal standard, and coupling constants are in Hz. Column chromatography (CC) was carried out on silica gel (70-230 mesh, Merck) and vacuum liquid chromatography (VLC) on reversed-phase materials (Lichroprep RP-18, 25-40 µm). TLC was performed on Merck precoated aluminum silica gel 60  $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{254}}$  sheets, and compounds were detected using sulfuric acid spray reagent.

#### **Plant material**

*A. chevalieri* was collected in Maroua, Far North Region of Cameroon and identified by Mr. Tapsou, botanist at the Institute

of Agricultural Research for Development in December 2013, and a voucher specimen N° 36696 HNC has been deposited at the Cameroon National Herbarium.

### **Extraction and isolation**

The powdered roots (1.5 kg) of A. chevalieri were extracted with *n*-hexane  $(2 \times 5 \text{ I})$ , then with MeOH  $(3 \times 6 \text{ I})$  at room temperature. After filtration and evaporation procedures, *n*-hexane (4 g) and MeOH (94 g) extracts were obtained, respectively. The MeOH extract was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O (400 ml) and successively partitioned with EtOAc  $(3 \times 200 \text{ ml})$  and *n*-BuOH  $(3 \times 200 \text{ ml})$  saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O. The n-BuOH extract (33 g) was subjected to VLC using reversed-phase material (RP-18) employing H<sub>2</sub>O (1750 ml), H<sub>2</sub>O-MeOH (8:2, 2750 ml; 6:4, 2250 ml; 4:6, 8000 ml; 2:8, 2500 ml), and MeOH (750 ml) to give 18 main fractions (Fr. 1-1-1-18). Fractions were combined based on their thin layer chromatography profiles (TLC). Fr. 1-3-1-5 (2.12 g) were combined and submitted to silica gel (350 g) CC with the solvent system CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>-MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (80: 20: 2, 2000 ml; 70: 30: 3, 2500 ml) to give 685 fractions (Fr. 2-1-2-685). Fr. 2-284-2-393 (89.8 mg) was subjected to MPLC (RP-18) using H<sub>2</sub>O-MeOH (9:1) to provide 63 fractions (Fr. 3-1-3-63). Fr. 3-19-3-35 (20.9 mg) was subjected to open CC using RP-18 (20 g) eluted with H<sub>2</sub>O-MeOH (9:1) to give 1 (14 mg). Fr. 2-196-2-276 (190.4 mg) was subjected to MPLC (RP-18) using H<sub>2</sub>O-MeOH (9:1 and 8:2) to provide 168 fractions (Fr. 4-1-4-168). Fr. 4-149-4-162 (25.2 mg) was subjected to open CC using RP-18 (25 g) eluted with H<sub>2</sub>O-MeOH (9: 1, 8: 2) to give 2 (10 mg).

## Cell culture and cytotoxicity

HL60 cell (RCB0041, RIKEN BioResource Center, Tsukuba, Japan) was grown in RPMI 1640 medium supplemented with 10% heatinactivated FBS (Sigma Aldrich Corp. St. Louis, USA) and penicillin (50 units/ml)–streptomycin (50 µg/ml) (Gibco Corp., Carlsbad, USA) in a humidified atmosphere at 37 °C under 5% CO<sub>2</sub>. The cytotoxicity of the compounds was examined by MTT assay, as described previously.<sup>[23]</sup>

## Assay for antimicrobial activity

Antimicrobial activities were determined using the agar diffusion test using paper disks (8 mm in diameter, thin, ADVANTEC) against *S. aureus* NBRC 13276, *P. aeruginosa* ATCC 15442. An antibiotic paper disk was loaded with a sample soln. and then dried for 2 h *in vacuo* to remove the solvent. Each test sample-loaded disk was placed on the agar plates inoculated with tester strains, which were incubated at 25 °C. Antimicrobial activities were estimated by measuring the diameter of inhibition zone formed on the agar.<sup>[24]</sup>

## Acid hydrolysis

Each solution of **1** (5 mg) and **2** (5 mg) in 0.2 M HCl (dioxane-H<sub>2</sub>O 1:1, 3 ml) was heated at 95 °C for 30 min under argon. After cooling, the mixture was neutralized by passage through an Amberlite-IRA-93ZU (Organo, Tokyo, Japan) column and chromatographed (Diaion HP-20, 40% MeOH followed by Me<sub>2</sub>CO–EtOH 1:1) to give aglycone fractions (2.5 mg) and a sugar fraction (1.7 mg). After the sugar fraction was passed through a Sep-Pak-C<sub>18</sub> cartridge (Waters, Milford, MA, USA; with 40% MeOH) and Toyopak-IC-SP-M-cartridge (Tosoh; with 40% MeOH), it was analyzed by HPLC (MeCN–H<sub>2</sub>O 17: 3, flow rate, 0.9 ml.min<sup>-1</sup>; detection, refractive index (RI), and optical retention (OR): D-glucose ( $t_R$  15.84,  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  +53.3 ° in **1** and **2** (lit.<sup>[25]</sup> +52.7 °).

## Chevalieriflavanoside A (1)

Brownish amorphous powder;  $[a] \frac{2}{2^2} -190^\circ$  (*c* 0.08, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log $\varepsilon$ ) nm 225 (5.57), 275 (4.83); IR  $v_{max}$  (KBr) 3394, 2946, 2834, 1654, 1469, 1025 cm<sup>-1</sup>; CD (*c* 0.1, MeOH) [ $\theta$ ] (nm) -4000 (278) (neg. max.), +7000 (235) (pos. max.); <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, see Table 1; HR-ESI-MS (positive-ion mode) *m/z* 475.1210 ([M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>11</sub>Na 475.1215).

### Chevalieriflavanoside B (2)

Brownish amorphous powder;  $[a] \frac{2}{D^2} -106^{\circ}$  (*c* 0.15, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log $\varepsilon$ ) nm 228 (6.58), 275.5 (5.90); IR  $\nu_{max}$  (KBr) 3367, 2946, 2834, 1654, 1469, 1025 cm<sup>-1</sup>; CD (*c* 0.1, MeOH) [ $\theta$ ] (nm) -1000 (270) (neg. max.), -10000 (224) (neg. max.); <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, see Table 1; HR-ESI-MS (positive-ion mode) *m/z* 475.1210 ([M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>11</sub>Na 475.1215).

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