New Coumarins from *Citrus* Plants

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Four new coumarins, named peroxytamarin (1), *cis*-casegravol (5), citrusarin-A (7), and citrusarin-B (8), were isolated from root of *Citrus* plants and their structures were elucidated by chemical and spectrometric methods. Citrusarin-B (8), a coumarin having both a dimethylpyran ring and a dihydrofuran ring in the molecule, was also synthesized.

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During our phytochemical studies of *Citrus* plants (Rutaceae), many kinds of new coumarins and acridone alkaloids have been isolated and characterized.¹⁾ We report here the isolation of four new coumarins named peroxytamarin (1), *cis*-casegravol (5), and citrusarin-A (7), and -B (8), and their structural elucidation by chemical and/or spectral methods. Peroxytamarin (1) and *cis*-casegravol (5) were isolated from root of *Citrus sulcata* HORT. *ex* TAKAHASHI (Japanese name: sanbo-kan) together with many kinds of known coumarins and acridones. Citrusarin-A (7) and -B (8) are regioisomers, and both coumarins were also obtained from root of *C. Hassaku* HORT. *ex* Y. TANAKA (Japanese name: hassaku).

Results and Discussion

Structure of Peroxytamarin (1) Peroxytamarin (1) was isolated as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D - 5.3^\circ$ (CHCl₃). The high-resolution mass spectrum (HR-MS) gave the molecular formula as $C_{15}H_{16}O_5$. The ultraviolet (UV) bands at λ_{max} 222, 252, 297 and 324 nm, infrared (IR) absorption at v_{max} 1725 cm⁻¹, AB-type signals at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.61 and 6.23 (each doublet, J=9.4 Hz), a methoxy signal at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.91, and two 1H singlets at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.25 and 6.79 in the proton nuclear magnetic resonance (1H-NMR) spectrum indicated the presence of 7-methoxy-6-substituted coumarin skeleton²⁾ in the molecule. Further, in the ¹H-NMR spectrum, ABX-type signals at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.58 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 5.2 Hz), 2.92 (1H, dd, J = 14.1, 5.2 Hz) and 2.87 (1H, dd, J = 14.1, 8.0 Hz), two 1H singlets at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.00 and 4.96 assignable to an *exo*methylene protons, and a 3H singlet at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.82 due to an allyl methyl group appeared. The 1H double-doublet at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.58 in the ¹H-NMR spectrum and IR band at $v_{\rm max}$ $3450 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ together with the occurrence of typical mass fragments at m/z 260 and 258 corresponding to $[M^+ - \cdot O]$ and $[M^+ - H_2O]$, respectively, in the electron impact mass spectrum (EI-MS) suggested the presence of a hydroperoxy moiety in the molecule. These spectral data coupled with the appearance of a base fragment peak at m/z 189 arising from cleavage at the benzylic position indicated the structure of $[-CH_2-CH(OOH)-C(CH_3)=CH_2]$ for the side chain attached to C-6. For confirmation of the structure, the following two chemical reactions were carried out. 1) The hematoporphyrin-sensitized photo-oxygenation³⁾ of sub $erosin(2)^{4}$ in oxygen gas gave two isomeric peroxygenated products. One of them was found to be identical with

natural 1 by IR, UV, ¹H-NMR and mass spectrometric comparisons. The structure of the other reaction product was assigned as formula 3 on the basis of spectrometric analyses (see Experimental). 2) Treatment of peroxytamarin (1) with triphenylphosphine gave a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{\rm D} + 8.9^{\circ}$ $(CHCl_3)$, which was found to be identical with tamarin (4), except for a difference of $[\alpha]_D$ value. Tamarin (4) was first isolated from Ruta pinnata,⁵⁾ and then from Amyris balsamifera by Burke and Parkins,⁶⁾ and R-stereochemistry was proposed for the specimen having $[\alpha]_D + 27.3^\circ$ (CHCl₃). From the results of the ¹H-NMR analysis using a chiral shift reagent, 4 derived from natural peroxytamarin (1) was to contain only about 5% excess of one of the enantiomers. According to the proposal by Bruke and Parkins,⁶⁾ the absolute stereochemistry of the negative $[\alpha]_D$ enantiomer of 1 was assigned as R, because 4 derived from 1 showed a positive $[\alpha]_{D}$ value. These results led us to conclude the structure of the major enantiomer of peroxytamarin to be as represented by formula 1. The first isolation of a coumarin hydroperoxide from a plant was reported by Crombie et $al.^{7}$ in 1970. This is the fourth example of the isolation of a peroxygenated coumarin from a natural source.⁸⁾

Structure of cis-Casegravol (5) cis-Casegravol (5) was obtained as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_D - 12.1^\circ$ (CHCl₃). The chemical ionization mass spectrum (CI-MS) using ammonia as a reactant gas showed the molecular ion $[M + NH_4]^+$ at m/z 294. The UV bands at λ_{max} 208, 255, 284 and 320 nm, IR band at v_{max} 1720 cm⁻¹, and ¹H-NMR signals at δ_{H} 7.64 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz, H-4), 6.26 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz, H-3), and 3.94 (3H, OCH₃) suggested the 7-methoxycoumarin nucleus. The appearance of other AB-type doublets at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.39 and 6.88 (each 1H, d, J=8.7 Hz) assignable to H-5 and H-6, respectively, indicated the presence of a side chain at C-8. The remaining ¹H-NMR signals showed the presence of a Z-disubstituted double bond [$\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.30 and 5.96 (each 1H, d, J=12.4 Hz)], a methyl group attached to an oxygenated carbon [$\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.25 (3H, s)], and a hydroxymethylene moiety [$\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.57 and 3.36 (each 1H, d, J= 11.1 Hz)]. These data together with the observation of mass fragments at m/z 259 and 245 corresponding to $[M^+ - \cdot OH]$ and $[M^+ - \cdot CH_2OH]$ ions, respectively, suggested the structure of the side chain as [-CH=CH-C][(OH)CH₃]-CH₂OH] having Z-configuration. On the basis of these results, we proposed the structure of cis-casegravol to be as shown by formula 5, except for the absolute

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stereochemistry. The racemic *E*-isomer named casegravol (6) was isolated from *Casearia graveolens* in 1980 and characterized.⁹⁾

Structures of Citrusarin-A (7) and -B (8) Citrusarin-A (7) and -B (8) were isolated as pale yellow oils having $[\alpha]_D$ + 5.2° and +3.0° (CHCl₃), respectively, and were found to have the same molecular formula $C_{19}H_{20}O_4$ by HR-MS analyses.

Citrusarin-A (7) showed UV bands at λ_{max} 210, 226, 284, and 340 nm and IR band at v_{max} 1720 cm⁻¹. In the ¹H-NMR spectrum, two pairs of AB-type doublets at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.94 and 6.07 (each 1H, d, J=9.5 Hz) and at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.45 and 5.55 (each 1H, d, J=9.9 Hz), accompanied with signals of two methyl groups attached to oxygenated carbon at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.46 (6H, s), were assignable to α - and β -protons on an α , β -unsaturated carbonyl system and two protons on the dimethylbenzopyran ring system, respectively. The lower chemical shift value of H-4 at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.94 and the absence of other proton signals in the aromatic proton region in the ¹H-NMR spectrum, together with the results of the UV spectrum, suggested the presence of a 5,7-dioxygenated 6,8-disubstituted coumarin nucleus²) having a dimethylpyran ring system in the molecule. The ramaining proton signals coupled with carbon signals in the ¹³C-NMR spectrum were assigned to geminal methyls attached to a benzylic carbon [$\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.52 and 1.26 (each 3H, s) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 43.99] and a secondary methyl [$\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.39 (3H, d, J=6.6 Hz)] attached to an oxygenated methine carbon [$\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.48 (1H, q, J=6.6 Hz) and $\delta_{\rm C}$ 91.06]. The appearance of H–C long-range correlations in the ¹H detected heteronuclear multiple bond connectivity (HMBC) spectrum between the oxygenated methine carbon at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 91.06 and two methyl protons at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.26 and 1.52, which further correlated to an aromatic carbon at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 114.25 and a quaternary carbon at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 43.99 indicated the presence of 2,3,3-trimethyldihydrobenzofuran system in the molecule. Based on these spectral data together with the HMBC data shown by arrows in Fig. 1, the structure of citrusarin-A should be depicted by either formula 7 or 8.

On the other hand, citrusarin-B (8) showed UV bands at λ_{max} 204, 230, 293 and 328 nm and the IR band at v_{max} 1720 cm⁻¹. The ¹H-NMR signal pattern of citrusarin-B resembled to that of citrusarin-A (7), except for some differences of chemical shifts of the signals due to H-4



Fig. 1. CH Long-Range Correlations in the HMBC Spectrum (J=8 Hz) of Citrusarin-A (7)

and H-4' (Table I). The mass fragmentation pattern of citrusarin-B showed a close similarity to that of 7. The higher chemical shift value of H-4 [$\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.75 (1H, d, J=9.5 Hz)] corresponds to that of coumarin bearing no oxygenated substituent at C-5.²⁾ However, in the HMBC spectrum (Fig. 2), observation of three-bond H–C correlations of H-4 ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.75) to two oxygenated aromatic carbons at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 149.89 and 156.17 suggested the presence of an *O*-substituent at C-5, as in the molecule of 7. These data together with the HMBC data shown by arrows in Fig. 2 implied that citrusarin-B should be represented either by structure 8 or 7. Therefore, citrusarin-A and -B were found to be regioisomers with regard to the location of the dimethylpyran and dihydrofuran rings attached to the 5,7-oxygenated coumarin nucleus.

The location of the pyran ring (or the dihydrofuran ring) either at C-5,6 or C-7,8 could not be confirmed by H–C long-range correlations in the HMBC spectra (Figs. 1 and

TABLE I. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR Data for Citrusarin-A (7) and -B (8)

Carbon No.	Citrusarin-A (7)		Citrusarin-B (8)	
	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{\rm C}$	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{\rm C}$
2		161.23		161.38
3	6.07 (1H, d, 9.5)	109.84	6.11 (1H, d, 9.5)	110.54
4	7.94 (1H, d, 9.5)	139.25	7.75 (1H, d, 9.5)	138.60
4a		103.64		99.06
5		150.27		156.17
6		101.84		117.91
7		158.09		153.17
8		114.25		102.88
8a		151.12		149.89
2'		77.86		77.44
3'	5.55 (1H, d, 9.9)	127.81	5.56 (1H, d, 9.9)	126.98
4′	6.45 (1H, d, 9.9)	115.90	6.80 (1H, d, 9.9)	115.63
2''	4.48 (1H, d, 6.6)	91.06	4.49 (1H, d, 6.6)	91.14
3″		43.99		44.11
2'-CH ₃	1.46 (6H, s)	28.06	1.46 (3H, s)	28.09
,		27.96	1.47 (3H, s)	28.05
2"-CH ₃	1.39 (3H, d, 6.6)	14.23	1.40 (3H, d, 6.6)	14.27
3"-CH ₃	1.52 (3H, s)	25.54	1.42 (3H, s)	25.59
5	1.26 (3H, s)	21.17	1.18 (3H, s)	21.07

Spectra were measured at 400 (¹H) and 100 (¹³C) MHz in $CDCl_3$. Values are in δ (ppm). Figures in parentheses are coupling constants (*J*) in Hz. Assignments were confirmed by H–H and H–C correlation spectroscopy (COSY) and HMBC (*J*=8 Hz) spectrometric analyses.



Fig. 2. CH Long-Range Correlations in the HMBC Spectrum (J=8 Hz) of Citrusarin-B (8)

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2) of citrusarin-A and -B, because the problem of the assignment of oxygenated aromatic carbon signals at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 149.89 and 156.17 in the spectrum of citrusarin-B and at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 150.27 and 151.12 in that of citrusarin-A, to either C-8a and C-5 or C-5 and C-8a, respectively, remained. The similarity of the chemical shift of the signal at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.80 due to H-4' on the pyran ring of citrusarin-B (8) to that of 5-methoxyseselin (9)¹⁰ at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.79 suggested the structure 8 for citrusarin-B.

To confirm this, we synthesized citrusarin-B (8) from 5,7-dihydroxycoumarin (10),¹¹⁾ which was easily derived from phloroglucinol and ethyl propiolate. Treatment of the diacetate (11) obtained from 10 with 1-bromo-3-methylbut-2-ene in acetone in the presence of anhydrous potassium carbonate gave 12,¹²) which was hydrolyzed to afford the 5-prenylated coumarin (13).¹²⁾ The location of the prenyl ether at C-5 in 13 was confirmed by observation of nuclear Overhauser effect (NOE) between the O-methyl protons ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.85) and two *meta*-coupled aromatic protons at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.29 and 6.41 in the ¹H-NMR spectrum of the corresponding methyl ether (14).¹² A mixture of 13 and sodium acetate was heated at 190 °C for 20 min¹³⁾ gave three kinds of reaction products in 38 (A), 29 (B), and 27 (C) % yields. The spectroscopic data (UV, IR, and ¹H-NMR) of the major product (A) were in agreement with those of 15 reported by Murray and Jorge.¹⁴⁾ The ¹H-NMR spectra of the other products (B and C) showed the same signal pattern (see Experimental), which suggested the presence of a

2,3,3-trimethyldihydrofuran ring in the molecules, instead of a prenyl moiety and one of the meta-coupled aromatic protons on 13. These data suggested the structures of B and C to be 16 and 18 (or vice versa), respectively. These products were considered to have been formed by Claisen rearrangement of the prenyl moiety on 13 followed by cyclization to give *ortho*-phenolic hydroxy groups. For confirmation of the structure, **14** was treated¹³⁾ with sodium acetate at 190 °C, as in the case of 13, to give a cyclization product 17, which was found to be identical with the O-methyl ether of B by spectrometric comparisons (UV, IR, MS, and ¹H-NMR). Therefore, we assigned the structures 16 for B and 18 for C.¹⁵ Further treatment¹⁶ of 16 with 3-chloro-3-methylbut-1-yne followed by cyclization at reflux temperature in diethylaniline afforded a colorless oil (8) in 37% yield, and this was found to be identical with natural citrusarin-B by spectrometric comparisons (UV, IR, MS, and ¹H-NMR). On the basis of the above results, the structures of citrusarin-A and $\mbox{-}B$ were established as 7 and 8, respectively, except for the absolute stereochemistry.

Experimental

Melting point was measured on a micromelting point hot-stage apparatus (Yanagimoto). ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded on GX-270 (JEOL) and GX-400 (JEOL) spectrometers, respectively, in CDCl₃, unless otherwise stated. Chemical shifts are shown in δ values (ppm) with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal reference. HMBC spectra were measured at J=8 Hz on the GX-400. All mass spectra were measured under electron impact (EI) conditions, unless otherwise stated, using an M-80 (Hitachi) or a JMS-HX-110 (JEOL) spectrometer having a direct inlet system. UV spectra were recorded on a UVIDEC-610C double-beam

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spectrophotometer (JASCO) in methanol, IR spectra on a IR-810 (JASCO) in CHCl₃, and optical rotations on a DIP-181 (JASCO) in CHCl₃. The preparative thin layer chromatographies (TLC) were done on Kieselgel $60 F_{254}$ (Merck).

Isolation and Separation of Peroxytamarin (1) and cis-Casegravol (5) The dried root (185 g) of Citrus sulcata HORT. ex TAKAHASHI (Japanese name: sanbo-kan) grown in the orchard of Okitsu Branch, Fruit Tree Research Station, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Shimizu, Sizuoka, was extracted with acetone at room temperature. The acetone extract (9.5g) was chromatographed over silica gel with benzene-hexane (1:1 and then 10:1), benzene, benzene-acetone (20:1, 10:1, 4:1, and then 2:1), acetone, and methanol successively to give nine fractions. Each fraction was subjected to preparative TLC using appropriate mixtures of benzene, hexane, acetone, CHCl₃, isopropyl ether, ethyl acetate, CH₂Cl₂, and methanol as developing solvents to obtain 21 kinds of coumarins and 4 kind of acridones, as stated below. From fraction 4: tamarin^{5,6)} 15.2 mg, hopeyhopin¹⁷⁾ 2.6 mg, demethylauraptenol¹⁸⁾ 5.2 mg, seselin¹⁹⁾ 319 mg, xanthyletin²⁰⁾ 2.2 mg, and a new coumarin, peroxytamarin (1) 17.7 mg. From fractions 4 and 5: demethylsuberosin²¹⁾ 2.9 mg, osthenol²²⁾ 35 mg, osthenon²³ 14.7 mg, junosmarin²⁴ 4.0 mg, 5-hydroxyseselin²⁵ 3.9 mg, scoparone²⁶⁾ 4.1 mg, nordentatin²⁷⁾ 3.1 mg, natsucitrine-I²⁸⁾ 5.0 mg, citprssine- $I^{26,29}$ 3.4 mg, 5-hydroxynoracronycine²⁹ 8.2 mg, and citracridone- I^{29} 13.1 mg. From fraction 5: umbelliferone³⁰ 3.8 mg, cis-osthenon³¹⁾ 5.6 mg, and bisosthenon³²⁾ 3.1 mg. From fraction 6: 7-methoxy-8-formylcoumarin³³⁾ 6.1 mg, kiyomal³⁴⁾ 1.1 mg, casegravol⁹⁾ 4.8 mg, (+)-decurusidinol³⁵⁾ 18.3 mg, and a new coumarin. *cis*-casegravol (5) 1.9 mg. Known compounds were fully characterized by UV, IR, ¹H-NMR, and MS.

Peroxytamarin (1) Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D - 5.3^{\circ} (c=0.12, \text{ CHCl}_3)$. UV λ_{max} nm: 222, 244 (sh), 252, 297, 324. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3450 (br), 1725, 1620, 1560. ¹H-NMR δ : 8.23 (1H, br, OOH), 7.61 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz, H-4), 7.25 (1H, s, H-5), 6.79 (1H, s, H-8), 6.23 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz, H-3), 5.00 and 4.96 (each 1H, s, *exo*-CH₂), 4.58 (1H, dd, J=5.2, 7.9 Hz), 3.91 (3H, s, OCH₃), 2.92 (1H, dd, J=14.1, 5.2 Hz), 2.87 (1H, dd, J=14.1, 8.0 Hz), 1.82 (3H, s). MS m/z (%): 276 (M⁺, 3), 260 (8), 258 (21), 206 (33), 205 (12), 191 (15), 190 (99), 189 (100), 177 (11), 175 (10), 162 (19), 161 (23), 160 (14), 159 (47), 147 (23). HR-MS Calcd for C₁₅H₁₆O₅: 276.0996. Found: 276.0982.

Photo-oxygenation³⁾ of **Suberosin (2)** Oxygen gas was bubbled through a solution of suberosin (2)⁴⁾ (50 mg) in pyridine (5 ml) containing hematoporphyrin (5 mg), and the solution was irradiated with a high-pressure Hg lamp using a Pyrex glass filter for 2 h. Then, the solvent was evaporated off. The residue was subjected to silica gel preparative TLC to afford 19.2 and 20.1 mg of 1 and 3, respectively. Compound 1 was found to be identical with natural peroxytamarin by spectrometric comparisons (IR, UV, ¹H-NMR, and MS). 3: Light yellow oil. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3450 (br), 1725, 1620, 1560. UV λ_{max} nm: 206, 223, 256, 296, 306, 339. ¹H-NMR δ : 7.63 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz), 7.53 (1H, s), 6.89 (1H, d, J=16.5 Hz), 6.78 (1H, s), 6.34 (1H, d, J=16.5 Hz), 6.27 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz), 3.92 (3H, s), 1.48 (6H, s). MS m/z (%): 276 (M⁺, 11), 260 (34), 245 (55), 243 (20), 205 (34), 204 (28), 203 (64), 190 (22), 189 (100), 175 (21), 149 (30). HR-MS Calcd for C₁₅H₁₆O₅: 276.0996. Found: 276.0988.

Treatment of Natural Peroxytamarin (1) with Triphenylphosphine methanolic solution (1 ml) of 1 (2.3 mg) and Ph₃P (1 mg) was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The solvent was evaporated off in vacuo. The residue was subjected to preparative TLC to afford a colorless oil (4) (1.7 mg), $[\alpha]_D$ + 8.9° (*c*=0.083, CHCl₃), IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3050, 1720, 1620, 1560. UV λ_{max} nm: 206, 222, 253, 297, 328. ¹H-NMR δ : 7.63 (1H, d, J = 9.4 Hz, H-4), 7.29 (1H, s, H-5), 6.81 (1H, s, H-8), 6.26 (1H, d, J = 9.4 Hz, H-3), 4.94 (1H, s, H-4'), 4.85 (1H, s, H-4'), 4.32 (1H, dd, J=4.0, 8.7 Hz, H-2'), 3.91 (3H, s, 7-OCH₃), 3.01 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 14.1 Hz, H-1'), 2.76 (1H, dd, J=8.7, 14.1 Hz, H-1'), 1.83 $(3H, s, 3'-CH_3)$. This was found to be identical with tamarin (4) by comparisons of the IR, UV, and ¹H-NMR data with those in the literature.⁵⁾ Tamarin (4), $[\alpha]_D + 8.9^{\circ}$ (CHCl₃), derived from natural 1 was found to contain only 5% excess of one of the enantiomers by ¹H-NMR analysis using a chiral shift reagent, tris[3-(heptafluoropropylhydroxymethylene)-(+)-camphorato]europium-(III). According to the literature,⁶⁾ the major enantiomer (4) having positive $[\alpha]_{\rm D}$ can be assigned as having *R*-configuration in the chiral center on the side chain.

cis-**Casegravol (5)** Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D - 12.1^\circ$ (c = 0.102, CHCl₃). UV λ_{max} nm: 208. 255, 284, 320. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3630, 3450 (br), 1720, 1600. ¹H-NMR δ : 7.63 (1H, d, J = 9.4 Hz, H-4), 7.41 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, H-5), 6.86 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, H-6), 6.78 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz, H-1'), 6.49 (1H, d, J = 12.4 Hz, H-2'), 6.25 (1H, d, J = 9.4 Hz, H-3), 3.90 (3H, s, 7-OCH₃), 2.25

(3H, s, 3'-CH₃). CI-MS m/z 294 [M+NH₄]⁺. MS m/z (%): 260 (23), 259 (100), 257 (12), 245 (45), 231 (17), 219 (19), 213 (14), 203 (23).

Isolation of Citrusarin-A (7) and -B (8) The dried root (3200 g) of *Citrus Hassaku* HORT. *ex* Y. TANAKA (Japanese name: hassaku) was extracted with acetone at room temperature. The acetone extract (485 g) was subjected to silica gel column chromatography with benzene. The benzene eluate was further chromatographed on silica gel eluted successively with hexane and benzene–hexane (1:9 and then 1:4). The eluates was subjected repeatedly to preparative TLC with benzene–ethyl acetate (9:1), hexane–benzene (1:9), isopropyl ether, acetone–hexane (1:9), ethyl acetate–benzene (1:19), and/or acetone–hexane (1:19) to obtain citrusarin-A (7) (210 mg) and citrusarin-B (8) (5.1 mg) as well as other known compounds, which were characterized by spectral analysis (UV, IR, and ¹H-NMR).³⁶⁾

Citrusarin-A (7) Pale yellow oil. 0.00065% yield from the dry root. $[\alpha]_D + 5.2^{\circ}$ (c = 0.172, CHCl₃). UV λ_{max} nm: 210, 226, 284, 340. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 1720, 1640, 1625, 1610. HR-MS Calcd for C₁₉H₂₀O₄ 312.1359. Found: 312.1353. MS m/z (%): 312 (M⁺, 58), 298 (35), 297 (100), 241 (11).

Citrusarin-B (8) Pale yellow oil. 0.000016% yield from the dry root. $[\alpha]_D + 3.0^{\circ} (c = 0.148, CHCl_3)$. UV λ_{max} nm: 204, 230, 239 (sh), 247 (sh), 285 (fl), 293, 328. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 1720, 1640, 1620. HR-MS Calcd for C₁₉H₂₀O₄: 312.1360. Found: 312.1358. MS *m/z* (%): 312 (M⁺, 35), 298 (34), 297 (100), 295 (14), 241 (11), 149 (28), 141 (11).

5,7-Diacetoxycoumarin (11) A mixture of **10**¹¹ (7.4 g), acetyl anhydride (100 ml), and pyridine (7 ml) was refluxed for 2 h. The reaction mixture was poured into ice water, neutralized with NaHCO₃, and then extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with diluted aqueous NaHCO₃ and water, dried with anhydrous MgSO₄, and then concentrated to dryness to give **11** (6.3 g) as colorless prisms. **11**: mp 124—125 °C. UV λ_{max} nm: 206, 290, 313. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 1780, 1740, 1630. ¹H-NMR $\delta_{\rm H}$: 7.73 (1H, d, J=9.7 Hz, H-4), 7.04 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-6 or -8), 6.98 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-8 or -6), 6.40 (1H, d, J=9.7 Hz, H-3), 2.40 (3H, s, OAc), 2.33 (3H, s, OAc). MS *m/z* (%): 262 (M⁺, 7), 220 (22), 179 (12), 178 (100), 150 (48).

5-(2-Enyl-3-methylbut)oxy-7-acetoxycoumarin (12)¹²⁾ A mixture of 11 (30 mg) and 1-bromo-3-methylbut-2-ene (20.4 mg) in acetone (4.5 ml) was stirred in the presence of anhydrous K₂CO₃ (94 mg) for 14 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was filtered and the filtrate was concentrated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in H2O and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with 5% K_2CO_3 and H_2O_1 , and dried with anhydrous MgSO₄. The solvent was evaporated off. The residue was subjected to preparative TLC (CHCl₃: acetone = 40:1) to give 12 (9.0 mg) and 11 (5.0 mg) as colorless needles. 12: mp 128-129 °C (lit.¹²⁾ mp 127—129 °C). UV λ_{max} nm: 210, 240, 304. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 1770, 1738, 1618. ¹H-NMR $\delta_{\rm H}$: 8.05 (1H, d, J=9.8 Hz, H-4), 6.69 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-6 or -8), 6.51 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-8 or, -6), 6.28 (1H, d, J = 9.8 Hz, H-3), 5.48 (1H, t, J = 6.7 Hz, H-2'), 4.59 (2H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, H-1'), 2.33 (3H, s, OAc), 1.82 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.75 (3H, s, CH₃). MS m/z (%): 288 (M⁺, 2), 220 (57), 178 (83), 150 (21), 149 (21), 81 (12), 70 (16), 69 (100)

5-(2-Enyl-3-methylbut)oxy-7-hydroxycoumarin (13)¹²⁾ A methanolic solution (2 ml) of 12 (5.1 mg) and 1% aqueous NaHCO₃ (0.1 ml) was refluxed for 30 min, neutralized with diluted HCl, and then extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried with anhydrous MgSO₄ and the solvent was evaporated off. The residue was subjected to preparative TLC (CH₂Cl₂: acetone = 20 : 1) to give 13 (4.9 mg) as colorless prisms. 13: mp 134—136 °C. UV λ_{max} nm: 208, 249, 257, 330. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3300 (br), 1720, 1615. ¹H-NMR $\delta_{\rm H}$: 8.04 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz, H-4), 6.63 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-6 or -8), 6.33 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-8 or -6), 6.11 (1H, d, J=9.4 Hz, H-3), 5.46 (1H, t, J=6.7 Hz, H-2'), 4.55 (2H, d, J=6.7 Hz, H-1'), 1.79 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.73 (3H, s, CH₃). MS *m/z* (%): 246 (M⁺, 14), 179 (12), 178 (83), 150 (41), 70 (10), 69 (100).

0-Methylation of 13 A mixture of **13** (30 mg), anhydrous K_2CO_3 (18 mg) and methyl iodide (76.5 mg) in acetone (10 ml) was refluxed for 3 h. K_2CO_3 was filtered off and the filtrate was subjected to preparative TLC (CHCl₃: acetone = 20 : 1) to give colorless needles (**14**, 29.9 mg). **14**: mp 88–91 °C. UV λ_{max} nm: 208, 246, 255, 328. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 1730, 1615. ¹H-NMR δ_{H} : 8.00 (1H, d, J=9.8 Hz, H-4), 6.41 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-6 or H-8), 6.29 (1H, d, J=2.0 Hz, H-8 or H-6), 6.14 (1H, d, J=9.8 Hz, H-3), 5.48 (1H, t, J=6.7 Hz, H-2'), 4.57 (2H, d, J=6.7 Hz, H-1'), 3.85 (3H, s, OCH₃), 1.82 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.76 (3H, s, CH₃). MS *m/z* (%): 260 (M⁺, 19), 193 (22), 192 (99), 164 (60), 163 (14), 149 (17), 135 (15), 70 (11), 69 (100). Irradiation of the methoxy protons at δ_{H} 3.85 gave **4** and 12% NOE of the protons signals at δ_{H} 6.41 and 6.29, respectively.

Cyclization Reaction¹³ of 13 A mixture of 13 (10 mg) and sodium

acetate (20 mg) was heated in an oil bath at 190 °C for 20 min. The residue was dissolved in a small amount of acetone and subjected to preparative TLC (iso- Pr_2O : acetone = 20:1) to give three kinds of pale yellow oils, A (Rf: 0.21) (15), B (Rf: 0.58) (16), and C (Rf: 0.46) (18) in 38, 29, and 27% yields, respectively. A (15):¹⁴⁾ UV λ_{max} nm: 208, 259, 331. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 3400 (br), 1720, 1615. ¹H-NMR (acetone- d_6) $\delta_{\rm H}$: 8.03 (1H, d, J = 9.8 Hz, H-4), 6.66 (1H, s, OH), 6.48 (1H, s, H-6), 6.03 (1H, d, J=9.8 Hz, H-3), 5.24 (1H, t, J=7.0 Hz, H-2'), 3.40 (2H, d, J=7.0 Hz, H-1'), 1.81 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.64 (3H, s, CH₃). MS *m*/*z* (%): 246 (M⁺, 27), 191 (35), 97 (20), 83 (26), 73 (21), 71 (33), 70 (24), 69 (100). B (16): UV λ_{max} nm: 212, 258, 328. IR v_{max} cm⁻¹: 3260 (br), 1710, 1630. ¹H-NMR δ_{H} : 7.82 (1H, d, J = 9.4 Hz, H-4), 6.57 (1H, s, H-8), 6.13 (1H, d, J = 9.4 Hz, H-3), 4.52 (1H, q, J=6.4 Hz, H-2'), 1.78 (1H, br d, OH), 1.46 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.41 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, CH₃), 1.21 (3H, s, CH₃). MS m/z (%): 246 (M⁺, 41), 232 (21), 231 (100), 203 (19), 149 (46), 101 (12). C (18)¹⁵⁾: UV λ_{max} nm: 210, 258, 331. IR v_{max} cm⁻¹: 3400 (br), 1720, 1630. ¹H-NMR $\delta_{\rm H}$: 7.93 (1H, d, J=9.8 Hz, H-4), 6.72 (1H, s, H-8), 6.39 (1H, s, OH), 6.16 (1H, d, J=9.8 Hz, H-3), 4.45 (1H, q, J=6.4 Hz, H-2'), 1.49 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.39 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz, CH₃), 1.24 (3H, s, CH₃). MS m/z (%): 246 (M⁺, 41), 232 (17), 231 (100), 203 (16), 149 (31).

Cyclization Reaction¹³⁾ of 14 A mixture of 14 (20 mg) and sodium acetate (40 mg) was heated in an oil bath at 190 °C for 20 min. The reaction mixture was dissolved in acetone. The acetone solution was subjected to preparative TLC (hexane: acetone=4:1) to give colorless prisms (17) (5.7 mg) together with the starting material (14) (5.3 mg). 17: mp 107–110 °C. UV λ_{max} nm: 212, 228, 256 (sh), 322. IR ν_{max} cm⁻¹: 1730, 1630. ¹H-NMR $\delta_{\rm H}$: 7.77 (1H, d, J=9.7 Hz, H-4), 6.35 (1H, s, H-8), 6.14 (1H, d, J=9.7 Hz, H-3), 4.49 (1H, q, J=6.4 Hz, H-2'), 3.86 (3H, s, OCH₃), 1.39 (3H, d, J=6.4 Hz, CH₃), 1.40 (3H, s, CH₃), 1.16 (3H, s, CH₃). MS m/z (%): 260 (M⁺, 54), 246 (20), 245 (100), 217 (17), 135 (16), 105 (73).

O-Methylation of 16 A mixture of **16** (10 mg) and methyl iodide (15 mg) in acetone (3 ml) was refluxed for 35 min in the presence of anhydrous K_2CO_3 (125 mg). The reaction mixture was filtered. The filtrate was subjected to preparative TLC (CHCl₃:hexane=4:1) to give colorless prisms, mp 105—110 °C (10.9 mg). This product was found to be identical with **17** derived from **14** by UV, IR, ¹H-NMR, and MS comparisons.

Citrusarin-B (8) from 16 A mixture of **16** (40.7 mg), 3-chloro-3methylbut-1-yne (169 mg), and anhydrous K_2CO_3 (338 mg) in acetone (8 ml) containing one drop of dimethylformamide was refluxed for 8 h. During the reaction, the butyne (169 mg) was added six times to the reaction mixture at intervals of 70 min. The reaction mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was concentrated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in diethylaniline (2 ml) and heated at 220 °C for 1 h in N₂ gas.¹⁶) Diluted HCl was added to the mixture and the solution was extracted with diethyl ether. The extract was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, and the solvent was evaporated off. The residue was subjected to preparative TLC (hexane: acetone=4:1, and then 2:1) to give a pale yellow oil (19 mg), which was found to be identical with natural citrusarin-B (8) by spectrometric comparisons (UV, IR, ¹H-NMR, and MS).

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