

## The Studies on the new Constituents (Caucalol M) of *Torillia scabra* DC.

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*Torillia scabra* DC. (小竊衣) is perennial herbs, which is distributed from Japan to Taiwan. The fluffy seeds are utilized as astringent antiphlogistics. Caucalol diacetate,  $C_{19}H_{30}O_5$ , m.p.  $120-121^\circ C$  (Fig. 1), is isolated from the seeds of *Torillia scabra* DC. in 0.21% yield. (1), (2)

In this studies, a new minor component, caucalol M, m.p.  $129-130^\circ$ , was isolated from crude caucalol diacetate. The analytical data and MS spectrum show that the formula is  $C_{19}H_{30}O_5$  and that is an isomer of caucalol diacetate. This structure is determined by physical and chemical method as Fig. 2.

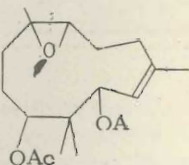


Fig. 1

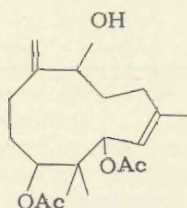


Fig. 2

The IR spectrum of caucalol M indicates the presence of a hydroxyl group ( $3530\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ), acetate ( $1740, 1720, 1250\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and a terminal methylene group ( $1650, 910\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). (Fig. 3)

Comparison of the NMR data of caucalol M (Fig. 4) with that of caucalol diacetate shows that caucalol M has terminal methylene protons at 5.07(s), 5.18(s) ppm and a proton alpha to hydroxyl group at 3.85(m) ppm. But the  $C_7\text{-Me}$  at 1.38 ppm and  $C_6\text{-H}$ , which is alpha to the epoxide, appearing at 2.99 ppm in caucalol diacetate is absent. Irradiation of the  $C_8\text{-Me}$  signal at 1.73 ppm causes the  $C_2\text{-H}$  signal around 5.1 ppm (q, J 1, 11) to become a doublet (J 11). Conversely, irradiation of the latter signal increases the height of the  $C_8\text{-Me}$  signal. A weak coupling is also observed between the  $C_6\text{-H}$  and exocyclic methylene protons. Thus, irradiation of the  $C_6\text{-H}$  signal at 3.85 (J 3, 10) ppm causes the exo-methylene signal at 5.18 and 5.07(s) to increase in height. Also the coupling constants  $J_{9,10}$  and  $J_{5,6}$  are very close to those in caucalol diacetate. These results suggest that the moiety incorporating  $C_{10}$  to  $C_1$  to  $C_6$  in caucalol diacetate are retained in caucalol M, excepting that the latter is devoid of the influence of the epoxide ring. The oxidation of caucalol M afford caucalol M ketone while the benzylation of caucalol M gave caucalol M benzoate (Fig. 5). These data permitted one to deduce the structure, as shown in Fig. 2.

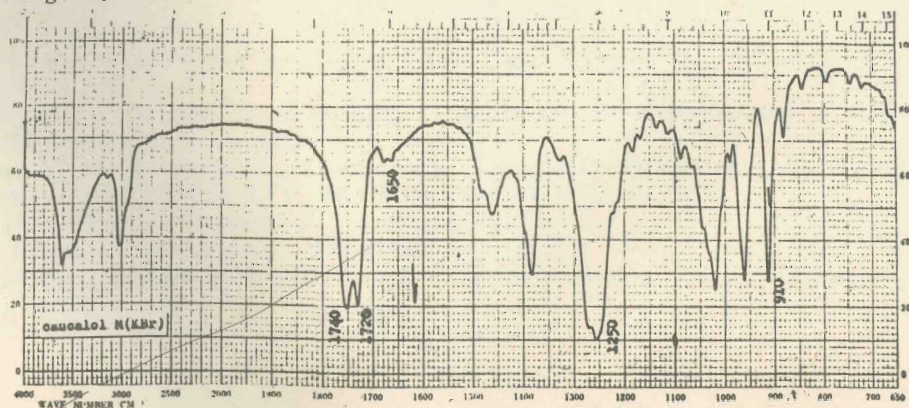


Fig. 3. IR spectrum of caucalol M

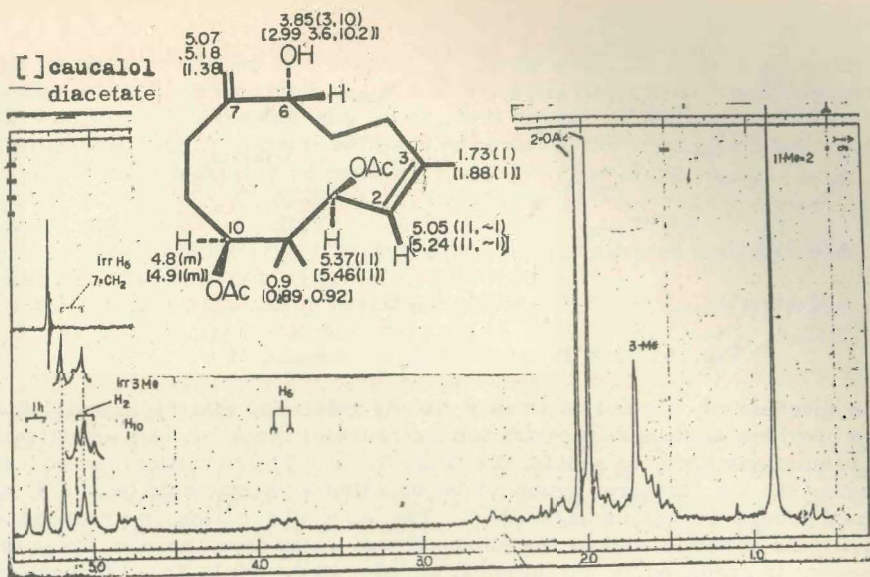


Fig. 4. NMR spectrum of caucalol M, 100 Mc ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) numbers in [ ] are chemical shifts (ppm) of caucalol diacetate

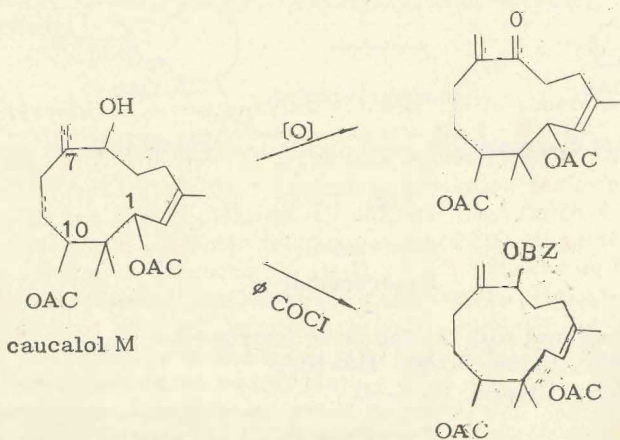
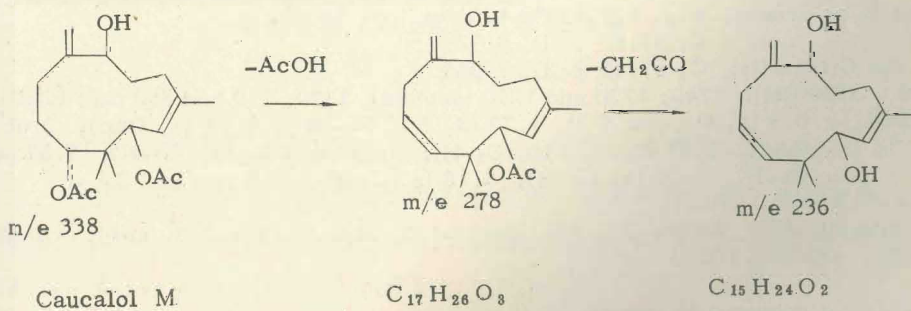


Fig. 5.





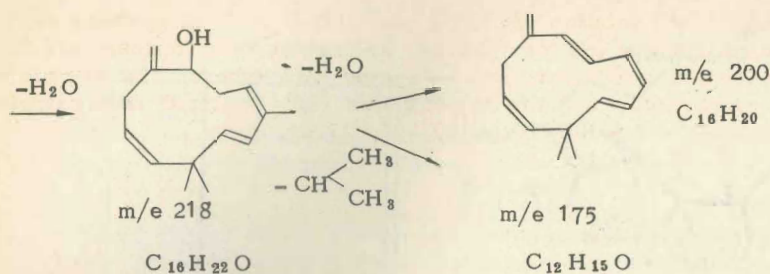


Fig. 6. MS fragmentation of caucalol M

The mass spectrum of caucalol M is very closely related to that of caucalol diacetate (2), and this provides additional support for the caucalol skeleton. An investigation of the main fragmentations occur as indicated in Fig. 6. The fragmentation can be rationalized by assuming the  $\text{C}_{10}$  acetoxy group to be expelled as acetic acid ( $\text{m/e } 278$ ) and the allylic acetoxy groups as ketone ( $\text{m/e } 236$ ). The  $\text{m/e } 218$  cation is produced by the expulsion of 2 mole of acetic acid or the elimination of water from the  $\text{m/e } 236$  peak. The  $\text{m/e } 200$  fragment is produced by the elimination of water, while the 175 peak can be accounted for by the loss of an isopropyl radical from the  $\text{m/e } 218$  ion (Fig. 6).

Biogenetically, caucalol M may be obtained by the cleavage of the epoxide ring of caucalol diacetate as shown in Fig. 7.

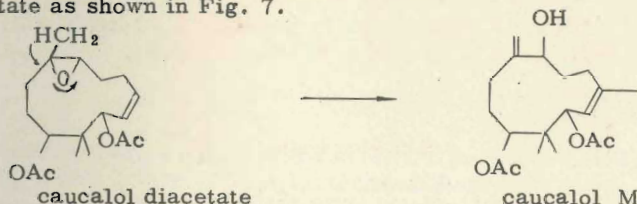


Fig. 7

#### Experimental

The spectra were measured with the following instruments:

IR, Hitachi EPI-S2; NMR, Varian A-60, HA-100;

UV, Beckman DK-2; MS, Hitachi RMV-6D

#### Isolation of Caucalol M

Crude caucalol diacetate (1) (6 g) was chromatographed on silica gel (300 g, Merck) and eluted with chloroform/ether(1:1). The eluate from the first band afforded caucalol diacetate(5.6g). The second eluate was recrystallized from n-hexane/ether(1:1) to afford caucalol M as prisms, m.p. 129-130°, 120 mg.

Found: C, 67.69 ; H, 8.92%

Calcd. for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_5$ : C, 67.43 ; H, 9.34%

IR(KBr) : 3530(OH), 1740, 1720 and 1250 (acetate), 1670, 910 and 850  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=C)

NMR( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) : 0.9 (s,  $\text{C}_{11}$ -Me X 2), 1.73 (d, J 1,  $\text{C}_8$ -Me), 1.93 (s, OAc), 2.07 (s, OAc), 3.85 (q, J 3, 10,  $\text{C}_6$ -H), 5.05 (q, J 1, 11,  $\text{C}_2$ -H), 5.35 (d, J 11,  $\text{C}_1$ -H), 5.07 (s,  $\text{C}_7$ -H), 5.18 (s,  $\text{C}_7$ -H), 4.8 ppm (m,  $\text{C}_{10}$ -H)

$[\alpha]_D^{25} + 21.3$  (c=1,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ )

MS 278(M-60, 2%), 236(M-102, 3%), 218(M-120, 23%), 175(M-163, 28%), 107 (M-231, 68%), 43(CO, 100%)

#### Preparation of Caucalol M ketone

A chromium pyridine complex solution prepared from 2 ml of pyridine and 30 mg of

chromium trioxide was added to a solution of 50 mg caucalol M in 1 ml pyridine at 0°C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0°C for 5 hours, and left at room temperature for 2 days. The mixture was treated with water, and extracted with ether. The extract was washed with water and evaporated, and the residue was recrystallized from petroleum ether to afford the monoketone as needles, m.p. 89-90°, 25 mg.

Found: C, 67.74 ; H, 8.13%

Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C, 67.83 ; H, 8.39%

IR(KBr): 1730 and 1245(acetate), 1670 cm<sup>-1</sup> (α,β-unsaturated ketone)

UV(methanol): 220(ε, 6700), 310 mμ(ε, 60)

NMR(CDCI<sub>3</sub>): 0.83(s, C<sub>11</sub>-Me), 0.89(s, C<sub>11</sub>-Me), 1.82(s, C<sub>3</sub>-Me), 1.98(s, OAc), 2.05(s, OAc), 4.7(m, C<sub>10</sub>-H), 5.02(s, J 11, C<sub>2</sub>-H), 5.24(d, J 11, C<sub>1</sub>-H), 5.79(s, C<sub>7</sub>=CH), 5.82(s, C<sub>7</sub>-CH)

#### Preparation of Caucalol M benzoate

A solution of benzoyl chloride(50 mg) in pyridine(1 ml) was added to a chilled solution of caucalol M(40 mg) in pyridine(2 ml) and the solution was allowed to stand at room temperature for 24 hours. After working in the usual way, the product was recrystallized from ethanol/water(1:1) to give needles, m.p. 117-118°, yield 31 mg.

Found: C, 70.62 ; H, 8.04%

Calcd. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C, 70.54 ; H, 7.74%

IR(KBr): 1735 and 1245(acetate), 1715 and 1285(benzoate), 715 cm<sup>-1</sup> (phenyl)

NMR(CDCI<sub>3</sub>): 0.90(s, C<sub>11</sub>-Me X 2), 1.77(s, C<sub>3</sub>-Me), 2.02(s, OAc), 2.05(s, OAc), 4.84(m, C<sub>10</sub>-H), 5.10(q, J 1, 11, C<sub>2</sub>-H), 5.20(m, C<sub>6</sub>-H), 5.40(d, J 11, C<sub>1</sub>-H), 5.23(s, C<sub>7</sub>=CH), 5.38(s, C<sub>7</sub>=CH), 7.30-8.13 ppm(m, phenyl)

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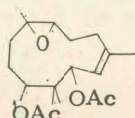
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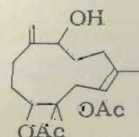
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由小竊衣(Torillia scarbrs DC.)果實,分離微量之新成分, Caucalol M, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, m.p. 129-130°C 該成分之紅外線吸收光譜,核磁共振光譜,質量分析光譜等之資料與小竊衣之主成分Caucalol diacetate, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>6</sub>, m.p. 120-121°C (圖(1)),詳細比較研究可推得Caucalol M之構造如圖(2)。



圖(1)



圖(2)