

New *neo*-Clerodanes from *Tinnea antiscorbutica* Welv.

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Três novos *neo*-clerodanos, antiscorbuticano A, antiscorbuticano B, e antiscorbuticano C e os compostos conhecidos glutinol, friedelina, 5,7-di-hidroxi-flavanona (pinocembrina), 5-hidroxi-3,6,7,4'-tetrametoxiflavona, 5-hidroxi-3,6,7,3',4'-pentametoxiflavona (artemetina), 5,4'-di-hidroxi-3,6,7,3'-tetrametoxiflavona (penduletina) e 5,3',4'-tri-hidroxi-3,6,7-trimetoxiflavona (chrysosplenol D) foram isolados do extrato de metanol de *Tinnea antiscorbutica*. O composto antiscorbuticano B não apresentou atividade mutagênica para doses até 250 µg por caixa (teste de Ames) e não induziu micronúcleos na linha celular V79 em doses até 100 µg mL⁻¹.

Three new *neo*-clerodanes, antiscorbuticane A, antiscorbuticane B and antiscorbuticane C, and known compounds glutinol, friedelin, 5,7-dihydroxyflavanone (pinocembrin), 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxyflavone, 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,3',4'-pentamethoxyflavone (artemetin), 5,4'-dihydroxy-3,6,7,3'-tetramethoxyflavone (penduletin) and 5,3',4'-trihydroxy-3,6,7-trimethoxyflavone (chrysosplenol D), were isolated from the methanol extract of *Tinnea antiscorbutica*. Antiscorbuticane B exhibited no mutagenic activity at doses of up to 250 µg per plate (Ames test) and did not induce micronucleus formation in the V79 cell line at doses of up to 100 µg mL⁻¹.

Keywords: *Tinnea antiscorbutica*, *neo*-clerodanes, mutagenic activity, cytotoxic activity, genotoxicity

Introduction

The *Tinnea* genera belong to the Labiatea Juss. family¹ and comprise 19 species restricted to Africa. Originally from the north of Angola, in the province of Kuanza Norte (Dembos region), *T. antiscorbutica* Welv., which is traditionally named “Tete-Mbula”, is a small shrub that can be collected in several regions of Angola and is used in folk medicine to treat scurvy.¹ Despite the use of *T. barbata* as a flowering shrub,² to the best of our knowledge there have been no chemical studies of the *Tinnea* genera.

Following our research on Angolan plants,³⁻⁶ we report the isolation of the new *neo*-clerodanes antiscorbuticane A (**3**), antiscorbuticane B (**8**) and antiscorbuticane C (**10**) and the known compounds glutinol (**1**),^{7,8} friedelin (**2**),⁹ 5,7-dihydroxyflavanone (pinocembrin) (**4**),¹⁰ 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxyflavone (**5**),^{11,12} 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,3',4'-pentamethoxyflavone (artemetin) (**6**),¹³ 5,4'-dihydroxy-3,6,7,3'-tetramethoxyflavone (**7**),¹⁴ 5,3',4'-trihydroxy-3,6,7-trimethoxyflavone (**9**) (chrysosplenol D)¹⁵ from the methanol extract of the aerial parts of *T. antiscorbutica* (Figure 1). Their structures were characterized by spectroscopic methods and comparison with literature data.

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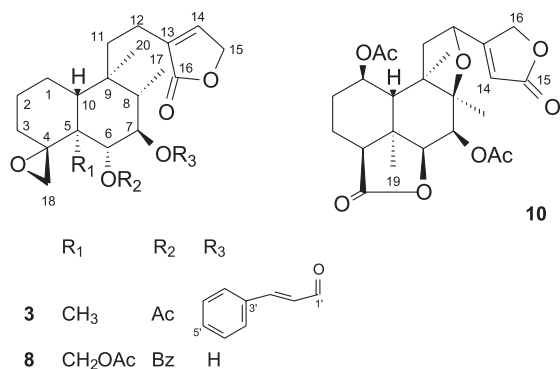


Figure 1. New *neo*-clerodanes from *Tinnea antiscorbutica*.

Experimental

General experimental procedures

The optical rotations were obtained with a Bellingham+Stanley Ltd. ADP 220 polarimeter. The high resolution electron ionization mass spectrometry (HREIMS) measurements were performed on a VG Autospec M and were recorded at 70 eV. The infrared (IR) spectra were measured with a Unicam Mattson 5000 FTIR. The nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded with a Bruker Avance II at 600 MHz (1H NMR) and 150.9 MHz (^{13}C NMR) in $CDCl_3$. The chemical shifts are given in δ ppm and are referenced to the residual $CHCl_3$ at 7.26 ppm for the 1H spectrum and 77.0 ppm for the ^{13}C spectrum. Two-dimensional experiments were performed with standard Bruker software. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel 60 (70-230 mesh, Merck, Darmstadt, Germany).

Plant material

The aerial parts of *Tinnea antiscorbutica* were collected in the Chibia road at the Comuna da Huíla, Huíla province (Angola), in July 2001 and were identified by Professor Esperança da Costa, Agostinho Neto University. A voucher specimen (No. 3742) has been deposit at the Lubango Herbarium, Angola.

Extraction and isolation

The dried aerial parts (1.5 kg) were macerated in methanol for a week at room temperature; the procedure was performed three times. After being concentrated, the methanol extract (42.7 g) was partitioned between $MeOH-H_2O$ (5:1) and hexane to yield 19.0 g of the hexane fraction. The aqueous methanolic fraction was concentrated under vacuum, H_2O was added, and the fraction was extracted with chloroform

to give the chloroform fraction (2.8 g). Finally, the aqueous fraction was extracted with EtOAc to yield 9.3 g of the EtOAc fraction, and the remaining material was considered to be the aqueous fraction (10.4 g).

A sample of the hexane fraction (2 g) was fractionated on a silica gel column with a hexane/EtOAc, EtOAc and EtOAc/MeOH gradient. The fraction eluted with hexane/EtOAc (9:1) was separated on a silica gel column with a hexane/EtOAc gradient (99:1; 49:1; 9:1; 4:1; 7:3; 1:1) to yield glutinol (**1**) (7.9 mg) and friedelin (**2**) (5.4 mg). The fraction eluted with hexane/EtOAc 3:2 was separated on a silica gel column with a hexane/EtOAc gradient (4:1; 7:3; 3:2; 1:1) and EtOAc to yield antiscorbuticane A (**3**) (5.5 mg).

The chloroform fraction (2.8 g) was fractionated on a silica gel column with a hexane/EtOAc, EtOAc/ $CHCl_3$ and EtOAc/ CH_3OH gradient. The fraction eluted with hexane/EtOAc 9:1 was separated on a silica gel column with a hexane/EtOAc gradient (9:1; 4:1; 7:3; 1:1) to yield 5,7-dihydroxyflavanone (**4**) (2.5 mg) and 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxyflavone (**5**) (3.5 mg). The fractions eluted with the EtOAc/ CH_3OH gradient were combined and subjected to successive purification on a silica gel column to yield 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,3',4'-pentamethoxyflavone (**6**) (5.2 mg), 5,4'-dihydroxy-3,6,7,3'-tetramethoxyflavone (**7**) (3.5 mg), antiscorbuticane B (**8**) (25.1 mg) and 5,3',4'-trihydroxy-3,6,7-trimethoxyflavone (**9**) (11.6 mg).

The ethyl acetate fraction (9.3 g) was fractionated on a silica gel column with a hexane/EtOAc, EtOAc and EtOAc/MeOH gradient. The fraction eluted with hexane/EtOAc (3:2) was separated on a silica gel column with a hexane/ $CHCl_3$ gradient to yield antiscorbuticane C (**10**) (9.3 mg).

Antiscorbuticane A (**3**)

Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{21} = + 22.2$ (c 0.045, $CHCl_3$); IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} 2929, 1750-1715, 1636, 1451, 1251, 1203, 1168, 754; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 150.9 MHz): see Table 1; HR-FAB-MS (pos.) m/z 523.2686 $[M+H]^+$ (calcd. for $C_{31}H_{39}O_7$, 523.2696).

Antiscorbuticane B (**8**)

White amorphous solid; $[\alpha]_D^{18} = + 19.2$ (c 0.26, $CHCl_3$); IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} 2982, 1762-1717, 1638, 1240, 1165, 750; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 150.9 MHz): see Table 1; HR-FAB-MS (pos.) m/z 535.2296 $[M+Na]^+$ (calcd. for $C_{29}H_{36}O_8Na$, 535.2308).

Antiscorbuticane C (**10**)

Colorless oil; $[\alpha]_D^{16} = + 57.1$ (c 0.07, $CHCl_3$); IR ν_{max}/cm^{-1} 2986, 1778, 1747, 1639, 1619, 1444, 1372, 1228, 1170, 1032, 756. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR

(CDCl₃, 150.9 MHz): see Table 2; HR-TOF-MS-EI (pos.) m/z 462.1885 [M]⁺ (calcd. C₂₄H₃₀O₉, 462.1890).

MTT cytotoxicity assay

The MTT assay was conducted in V79 Chinese hamster cells as described elsewhere.⁶ Three independent experiments were performed.

Ames assay

Mutagenicity testing was conducted through the plate incorporation assay described by Maron and Ames¹⁶ with the *Salmonella typhimurium* strains TA 98, TA 100 and TA 102 in the presence or absence of S9 mix.¹⁶ At least two independent experiments were performed for each assay.

Cytokinesis-block micronucleus assay (CBMN)

Cytokinesis-block micronucleus assay was conducted as described elsewhere.⁶ At least two independent experiments were performed for each assay.

Results and Discussion

Previous phytochemical studies demonstrated that certain of the known compounds isolated from *Tinnea antiscorbutica* present different biological activities. Glutinol presents analgesic and anti-inflammatory properties;¹⁷⁻¹⁹ 5,7-dihydroxyflavanone (pinocembrin) is well known for its vasorelaxing effects,^{20,21} antimutagenic activity,²² induction of apoptosis,²³ bacteriostatic activity²⁴ and fasciolicide, ovide and larvicide activities.¹⁵ 5-Hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxyflavone presents antifungal activity¹¹ and inhibitory activity against prolylendopeptidase and thrombin.²⁵ 5-Hydroxy-3,6,7,3',4'-pentamethoxyflavone (artemetin) induces apoptosis in different target cells^{26,27} and has cytotoxic and antioxidant activity.^{28,29} 5,4'-Dihydroxy-3,6,7,3'-tetramethoxyflavone presents cytotoxic activity.³⁰ 5,3',4'-Trihydroxy-3,6,7-trimethoxyflavone (chrysosplenol D) induces apoptosis in mammalian cancer cells.²⁶

Compound **3** was obtained as a colorless oil with an $[\alpha]_D^{21}$ value of + 22.2° (*c* 0.045, CHCl₃). The molecular formula C₃₁H₃₈O₇ was established by HR-FAB-MS, which showed a quasi-molecular ion peak at m/z 523.2686 [M+H]⁺ (calculated at 523.2696) and implied 13 degrees of unsaturation.

The ¹H-NMR spectrum of compound **3** (Table 1) displayed signals for four methyl groups: one acetate at δ_H 1.90, two Me singlets at δ_H 1.38 and 0.92, and a secondary

Me at δ_H 0.88 (d, 3H, *J* 6.7 Hz); one diastereotopic oxymethylene, which presented HMBC correlations with C-3, C-4 (Figure 2), at δ_H 3.31 (d, 1H, *J* 3.7 Hz) and 2.37 (d, 1H, *J* 3.7 Hz); an *E*-cinnamoyloxy moiety (δ_H 6.38, d, 1H, *J* 16.0 Hz, H-2'; 7.67, d, 1H, *J* 16.0 Hz, H-3'; 7.40, 7.53, 7.65, m, 5H, H-5', 6', 7', 8', 9'); an α-substituted butenolide ring³¹ with H-14 at δ_H 7.10 (quint, 1H, *J* 1.6 Hz) that presented a vicinal coupling to H-15 at δ_H 4.78 (t, 2H, *J* 1.6 Hz); and an allylic coupling to H-12 characteristic of some *neo*-clerodane diterpenoides.^{31,32} The ¹³C NMR spectrum (Table 1) showed 29 signals corresponding to 31 carbons, which were determined to be four methyls, seven methylenes, twelve methines and eight quaternary carbons from the DEPT spectrum of **3**. The ¹³C-NMR chemical shifts of the three methyls (δ_C 18.8, 15.7, and 10.6), the oxymethylene (δ_C 52.3), the four methines (δ_C 75.4, 73.7, 46.8, and 40.3) and the three quaternary carbons (δ_C 66.8, 42.5, and 39.8) were found to be consistent with a *trans*-fused A/B ring clerodane structure^{31,33} in which Me-18 was transformed into a 4,18-epoxy ring and ring *B* contained an acetate and an *E*-cinnamate group. The α-substituted butenolide ring (δ_C 134.3, 143.9, and 70.2 as C-13, C-14, and C-15 and 174.1 as C-16) can unambiguously be assigned to the H-14 and CH₂-15 groups with the aid of the ¹H-¹H COSY, HSQC and HMBC data (Table 1, Figure 2). The NOESY correlations (Figure 3) between Me-17/Me-19, H_α-7, and Me-19/Me-20 indicated that H-7, Me-17, Me-19, and Me-20 were on the α-face of the molecule. Additionally, the NOESY correlation between H_β-10/H_β-6 suggested that these hydrogens were on the β-face of the molecule. Thus, the structure of compound **3** was established as 6α-acetoxy-(*E*),7β-cinnamoyloxy-4α,18-epoxy-*neo*-clerodan-15,16-olide and was called antiscorbuticane A (Figure 1).

Compound **8** was obtained as a colorless oil with an $[\alpha]_D^{18}$ value of + 19.2° (*c* 0.26, CHCl₃). The molecular

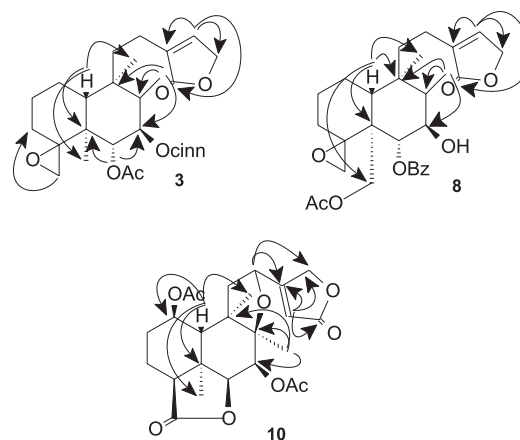


Figure 2. Key ¹H-¹³C long-range correlations (H → C) of **3**, **8** and **10**.

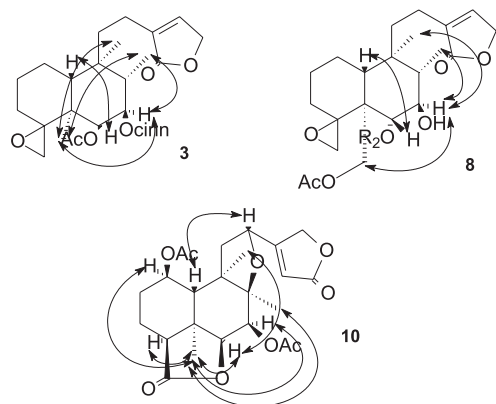


Figure 3. NOESY correlations of **3**, **8** and **10**.

formula $C_{29}H_{36}O_8$ was established by HR-FAB-MS by observing the ion of the Na^+ -adduct at m/z 535.2296 (calculated for 535.2308), which implied 11 degrees of unsaturation.

Compound **8** had a 1H -NMR profile similar to that of **3** except for the moieties at C-6 and C-7 and the absence of Me-19. The 1H and ^{13}C -NMR spectra (Table 1) indicated the presence of two methyls (δ_H 1.02, d, 3H, J 6.6 Hz; and 0.81, s, 3H; δ_C 10.6, 18.5), an acetate group (δ_H 1.98, s, 3H; δ_C 171.3, 21.2) attached to C-19, a benzoyloxy moiety (δ_H 8.00, dd, 2H J 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H-2' and H-6'; 7.50, tt, 1H, J 7.8 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H-4'; and 7.38, td, 2H, J 7.8 Hz, 1.8 Hz, H-3' and H-5'; δ_C 166.5, 6-OOCPh; 130.5 C-1';

Table 1. 1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR data and HMBC correlations of compounds **3** and **8**^a

Position	3			Position	8		
	$\delta^{13}C$	δ^1H (mult, nH, J / Hz)	HMBC		$\delta^{13}C$	δ^1H (mult, nH, J / Hz)	HMBC
1	21.0	1.67 (m, 1H) 2.03 (m, 1H)	9, 10	1	21.0	1.95 (m, 1H) 2.01 (m, 1H)	2, 9
2	24.7	1.64 (m, 1H) 1.93 (m, 1H)	4, 5, 10	2	24.8	1.95 (m, 2H)	1, 4, 10
3	31.7	2.15 (m, 2H)	4, 5, 18	3	32.5	1.01 (m, 1H) 1.99 (m, 1H)	1, 2, 4, 5, 18
4	66.8			4	65.0		
5	42.5			5	45.9		
6	75.4	4.81 (d, 1H, 10.0) β	4, 5, 7, 19, 6-OAc	6	77.7	4.84 (d, 1H, 9.6) β	4, 5, 7, 8, 19, 6-OOCPh
7	73.7	5.26 (m, 1H) α	6, 8, 9, 17, 7-Ocinn	7	72.0	3.67 (dd, 1H, 10.5, 9.6) α	5, 6, 8, 9, 17
8	40.3	1.83 (m, 1H) β	6, 7, 9, 17, 20	8	42.2	1.64 (m, 1H) β	6, 7, 9, 10, 17, 20
9	39.8			9	39.3		
10	46.8	1.53 (m, 1H) β	5, 19, 20	10	47.6	1.68 (m, 1H) β	1, 5, 9, 19, 20
11	35.8	1.67 (m, 2H)	8, 9, 12	11	35.7	1.55 (m, 1H) 1.63 (m, 1H)	8, 9, 10, 12, 13
12	18.9	2.20 (m, 2H)		12	18.9	2.06 (m, 1H) 2.19 (m, 1H)	9, 11, 13, 14, 16
13	134.3			13	134.0		
14	143.9	7.10 (quint, 1H, 1.6)	13, 15, 16	14	144.1	7.10 (t, 1H, 1.7)	13, 15, 16
15	70.2	4.78 (t, 2H, 1.6)	13, 14, 16	15	70.2	4.76 (t, 2H, 1.7)	13, 14, 16
16	174.1		–	16	174.2		
17	10.6	0.88 (d, 3H, 6.7) α	7, 8, 9, 11	17	10.6	1.02 (d, 3H, 6.6) α	7, 8, 9
18	52.3	2.37 (d, 1H, 3.7) 3.31 (d, 1H, 3.7)	3, 4, 5	18	48.7	2.22 (d, 1H, 3.8) 3.18 (dd, 1H, 3.6, 2.3)	3, 4, 5
19	15.7	1.38 (s, 3H) α	4, 5, 6, 10	19	63.2	4.62 (d, 1H, 12.0) 4.68 (d, 1H, 12.0)	4, 5, 6, 10, 19-OAc
20	18.8	0.92 (s, 3H) α	5, 8, 9, 10, 11	20	18.5	0.81 (s, 3H) α	8, 9, 10, 11
6- $H_3C-C=O$	170.3			19- $H_3C-C=O$	171.3		
6- $H_3C-C=O$	20.8	1.90 (s, 3H)	6, 6- $H_3C-C=O$	19- $H_3C-C=O$	21.2	1.98 (s, 3H)	19, 19- $H_3C-C=O$
1'	166.7			6-OOCPh	166.5		
2'	117.4	6.38 (d, 1H, 16.0)	1', 3', 4'	1'	130.5		
3'	145.6	7.67 (d, 1H, 16.0)	1', 2', 4', 5', 9'	2', 6'	129.8	8.00 (dd, 2H, 7.2, 1.2)	
4'	134.2			3', 5'	128.1	7.38 (td, 2H, 7.8, 1.8)	
5', 9'	128.9	7.40 (m, 2H)	4', 5', 6', 7', 8', 9'	4'	132.7	7.50 (tt, 1H, 7.8, 1.2)	
6', 8'	128.2	7.53 (m, 2H)					
7'	130.4	7.65 (m, 1H)					

^aSpectra were recorded at 600 MHz for 1H NMR and 150.9 MHz for ^{13}C NMR; multiplicity and coupling constants (J / Hz) are in parenthesis.

129.8, C-2' and C-6'; 128.1 C-3' and C-5', and 132.7, C-4') attached to C-6; an α -substituted butenolide ring (δ_{H} 7.10, 1H, t, J 1.7 Hz, H-14; and 4.76, 2H, q, J 1.7 Hz, H-15; δ_{C} 134.0, 144.1, and 70.2, C-13, C-14, and C-15, respectively; and 174.2, C-16),³¹ and two diastereotopic oxymethylenes (δ_{H} 3.18, dd, 1H, J 3.8 Hz, 2.3 Hz and 2.37, d, 1H, J 3.6 Hz, H-18; and 4.68, 4.62, 1H, d, J = 12.0 Hz each, H-19; δ_{C} 48.7, C-18; 63.2, C-19). The ^1H and ^{13}C -NMR data were found to be consistent with a *trans*-fused A/B ring clerodane structure^{31,33} in which Me-18 was transformed into a 4,18-epoxy ring, Me-19 transformed into an oxymethylene bearing an acetate moiety, and ring B bears a hydroxyl and a benzoyl group (Figure 1).

The NOESY correlations (Figure 3) between H_{α} -7/Me-17, Me-20, and CH_2 -19 indicated that H-7, Me-17, CH_2 -19 and Me-20 were on the α -face of the molecule. Additionally, the NOESY correlation between H_{β} -10 and H_{β} -6 suggested that these hydrogens were on the β -face of the molecule. Thus, the structure of compound **8** was established as 19-acetoxy-6 α -benzoyloxy-4 α ,18-epoxy-7 β -hydroxy-*neo*-clerodan-15,16-olide and was named antiscorbuticane B (Figure 1).

Compound **10** was obtained as a colorless oil with an $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25}$ value of + 57.1° (c 0.07, CHCl_3). The molecular formula $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_9$ was established by HR-TOF-MS-EI, which showed a molecular ion peak at m/z 462.1885 (calculated for 462.1890) and implied 10 degrees of unsaturation.

The ^1H and ^{13}C -NMR spectra of **10** (Table 2) showed signals for two acetate groups (δ_{H} 2.08, s 3H, and 2.17, s, 3H, ; δ_{C} 21.4, 169.9 and 21.0, 170.5), three methyl groups (δ_{H} 1.18, s, 3H, Me-20; 1.15, s, 3H, Me-17 and 1.07, s, 3H, Me-19), a β -substituted butenolide ring (δ_{H} 5.99, br s, 1H and 4.83, br s, 2H; δ_{C} 115.1 and 70.9),³⁴ which can be assigned to the H-14 vinylic proton and to the C-16 methylene, respectively, with the aid of ^1H - ^1H COSY, HSQC and HMBC data (Table 2, Figure 2); and four oxymethines (δ_{H} 5.47, d, 1H, J 11.0 Hz, H-7; 5.23, td, 1H, J 10.8, 4.9 Hz, H-1; 5.03, dd, 1H, J 9.9 Hz, 7.2 Hz, H-12 and 4.28, d, 1H, J 11.0 Hz, H-6; δ_{C} 71.9, 70.3, 72.5 and 82.8). The δ_{H} 5.23 and 5.47 methines showed HMBC correlations with the δ_{C} 169.9 and 170.5 carbonyl acetates, respectively, and were located on C-1 and C-7. The ^1H - ^1H COSY correlations showed the connectivity between the protons at δ_{H} 4.28 and H-7 and suggested the placement of this methine at C-6. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR data were found to be consistent with a *trans*-fused A/B ring clerodane structure,^{31,33} in which Me-18 was transformed into a lactone carbonyl (δ_{C} 174.50). The low field shifts of Me-17 and Me-20 and the H-12/C-8 HMBC correlation clearly indicated the presence of an

Table 2. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR data and HMBC correlations of compound **10**^a

Position	10		
	δ ^{13}C	δ ^1H (mult, nH, J / Hz)	HMBC
1	70.3	5.23 (td, 1H, 10.8, 4.9) α	2, 3, 9, 10, 1-OAc
2	18.9	2.02 (m, 1H) α 2.11 (m, 1H) β	1, 4, 10
3	32.4	1.39 (m, 1H) α 2.36 (m, 1H) β	1, 2, 4, 5, 10
4	53.8	2.29 (m, 1H) α	2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 18, 19
5	44.6		
6	82.8	4.28 (d, 1H, 11.0) α	4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 19
7	71.9	5.47 (d, 1H, 11.0) α	5, 6, 17, 7-COO
8	90.4		
9	51.2		
10	48.5	1.88 (d, 1H, 10.8) β	1, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 19, 20
11	45.9	1.81 (m, 1H) α 2.73 (dd, 1H, 12.8, 7.2) β	8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 20
12	72.5	5.03 (dd, 1H, 9.6, 7.2) β	8, 11, 13, 14, 16
13	170.8		
14	115.1	5.99 (brs, 1H)	12, 13, 15, 16
15	173.1		
16	70.9	4.83 (brs, 2H)	13, 14, 15
17	22.5	1.15 (s, 3H) α	7, 8, 9
18	174.5		
19	12.8	1.07 (s, 3H) α	4, 5, 6, 10
20	18.8	1.18 (s, 3H) α	8, 9, 10, 11
1-H ₃ C-C=O	21.4	2.08 (s, 3H)	1, 1-H ₃ C-C=O
1-H ₃ C-C=O	169.9		
7-H ₃ C-C=O	21.0	2.17 (s, 3H)	7, 7-H ₃ C-C=O
7-H ₃ C-C=O	170.5		

^aSpectra were recorded at 600 MHz for ^1H NMR and 150.9 MHz for ^{13}C NMR; multiplicity and coupling constants (J / Hz) are in parenthesis.

8 β ,12 cyclic ether.³⁵ Because the α position of Me-19 was already established (*trans*-fused A/B ring), the NOESY correlations (Figure 3) between Me-19/ H_{α} -1, H_{α} -4, H_{α} -7 and H_{α} -7/ H_{α} -4, H_{α} -6, Me-17 indicated that H-1, H-4, H-6, H-7, Me-17 and Me-19 were on the α -face of the molecule. Additionally, the NOESY correlation between H_{β} -10 and H_{β} -12 suggested that these hydrogens were on the β -face of the molecule. Thus, the structure of compound **10** was established as 1 β ,7 β -diacetoxy-8 β ,12-epoxy-*neo*-clerodan-16,15:18 β ,6 β -diolide and was named antiscorbuticane C (Figure 1).

Regarding the potential genetic damage induced by compound **8**, there is no evidence of mutagenic activity at doses of up to 250 μg *per* plate (Ames test, Table 3), and compound **8** does not induce micronuclei in the V79 cell line at doses of up to 100 μg mL^{-1} (Table 4). Furthermore compound **8** don't present cytotoxic activity (Table 5). Compounds **3** and **10** were not tested due the lack of available sample amount.

Table 3. Mutagenic activity of compound **8** in the Ames assay in the presence and in the absence of metabolic activation (S9) (*Salmonella typhimurium* strains TA 98, 100, 102)

Dose ($\mu\text{g per plate}$)	Revertants per plate					
	TA 98		TA 100		TA 102	
	-S9	+S9	-S9	+S9	-S9	+S9
0	17.5 \pm 3.5	27.5 \pm 9.2	130.5 \pm 29.0	123.5 \pm 20.5	268.0 \pm 56.6	342.0 \pm 31.1
5	20.5 \pm 0.7	29.0 \pm 4.2	121.5 \pm 23.3	99.5 \pm 16.3	298.5 \pm 13.4	343.5 \pm 24.7
25	14.5 \pm 0.7	21.5 \pm 3.5	124.0 \pm 22.6	100.0 \pm 1.4	258.5 \pm 2.1	348.0 \pm 50.9
50	15.5 \pm 6.4	27.0 \pm 1.4	108.0 \pm 4.2	123.0 \pm 4.2	233.5 \pm 7.8	410.0 \pm 28.3
250	16.5 \pm 0.7	26.0 \pm 5.7	117.0 \pm 4.2	85.0 \pm 9.9	167.5 \pm 17.7	134.0 \pm 32.5
Quercetin						
10	284.0 \pm 77.7	1314.5 \pm 102.5				
4-NQO^a						
10			1432			2842

^a4-NQO: 4-nitroquinoline-1-oxide. Values are presented as the mean \pm standard error (n = 2). Quercetin and 4-NQO were used as positive controls. Values are not significant ($p > 0.05$).

Table 4. Effect of compound **8** on the frequency of micronucleated binucleated cells (% MNBN) in V79 Chinese hamster cells in the presence (+S9) and absence (-S9) of metabolic activation

Dose / ($\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$)	MN/BN		%MNBN		%BN	
	-S9	+S9	-S9	+S9	-S9	+S9
0	0.003 \pm 0.001	0.002 \pm 0.001	0.300 \pm 0.071	0.167 \pm 0.058	40.950 \pm 14.213	37.400 \pm 2.263
20	0.005 \pm 0.004	0.002 \pm 0.000	0.350 \pm 0.212	0.200 \pm 0.000	32.500 \pm 5.091	36.100 \pm 0.990
100	0.004 \pm 0.001	0.001 \pm 0.001	0.300 \pm 0.000	0.100 \pm 0.141	44.200 \pm 1.556	35.200 \pm 1.838
Mytomicin C						
2.5	0.154 \pm 0.022	-	10.475 \pm 1.790	-	25.000 \pm 4.243	-
Cyclophosphamide						
2.0	-	0.036 \pm 0.022	-	2.100 \pm 0.265	-	38.600 \pm 0.141

Results are expressed as mean values \pm standard deviations (SD) (n = 2 and n = 5 for negative control). In each experiment 1000 binucleated cells were analyzed for the presence of micronuclei. % of binucleated cells (%BN) was used as index of cell proliferation. Mytomicin C and cyclophosphamide as positive controls, dose 0 as negative control. Values are not significant ($p > 0.05$).

Table 5. Effect of compound **8** on cell viability of V79 Chinese hamster cells using the MTT assay

Dose / ($\mu\text{g per well}$)	Viability ^a / %
25	132.5 \pm 15.7
50	162.7 \pm 23.0
250	184.5 \pm 101.6

^aViability is expressed as percentage values relative to control cells. Results are expressed as mean value % Viability \pm standard deviations (SD) (n = 3). In each independent experiment four replicate cultures were used.

Conclusions

The present phytochemical investigation of aerial parts of *T. antiscorbutica* Welw., afforded three new *neo*-clerodanes named as antiscorbuticane A, antiscorbuticane B and

antiscorbuticane C, and seven known compounds, glutinol, friedelin, 5,7-dihydroxyflavanone (pinocembrin), 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxyflavone, 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,3',4'-pentamethoxyflavone (artemetin), 5,4'-dihydroxy-3,6,7,3'-tetramethoxyflavone (penduletin) and 5,3',4'-trihydroxy-3,6,7-trimethoxyflavone (chrysoptanol D).

Genotoxicity, mutagenicity and cytotoxicity were tested for antiscorbuticane B but all assays were negative concluding that this particular compound has no potential risk regarding their future use as bioactive compound.

Supplementary Information

1D and 2D NMR spectra data associated with this article are available free of charge at <http://jbcs.sbg.org.br> as a PDF file.

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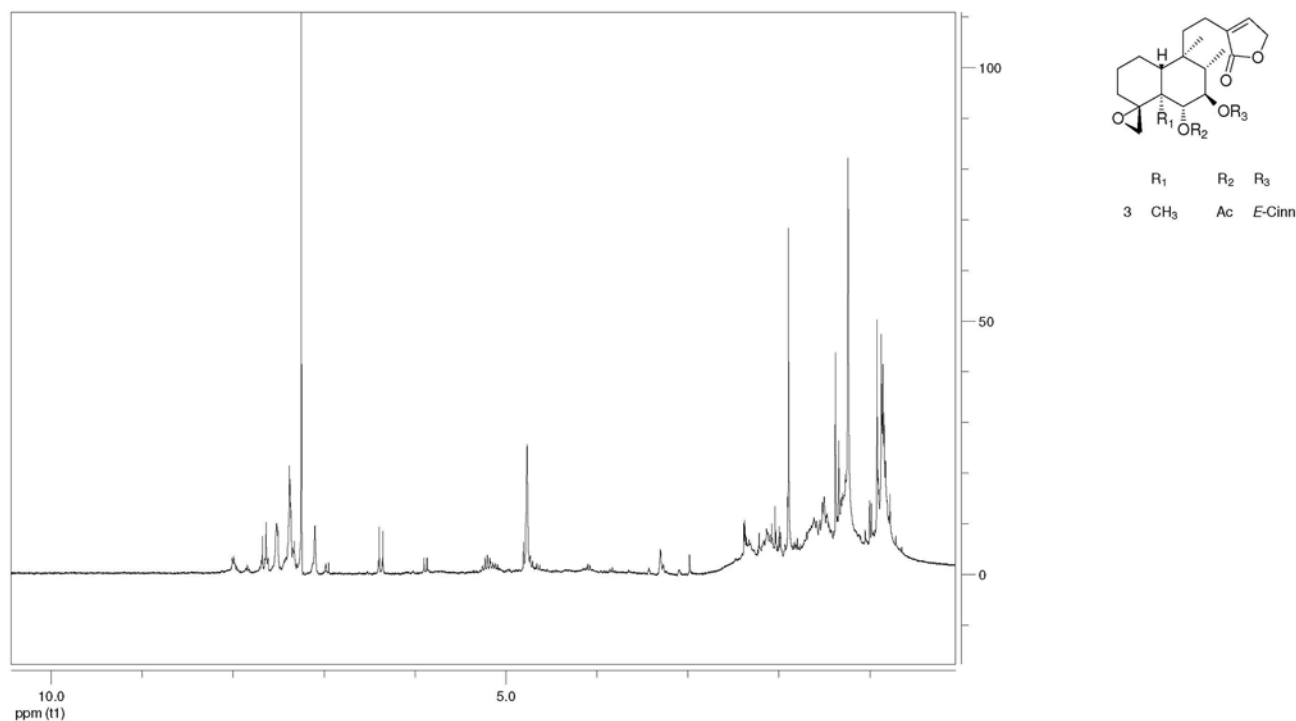


Figure S1. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **3**.

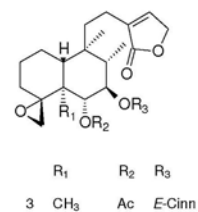
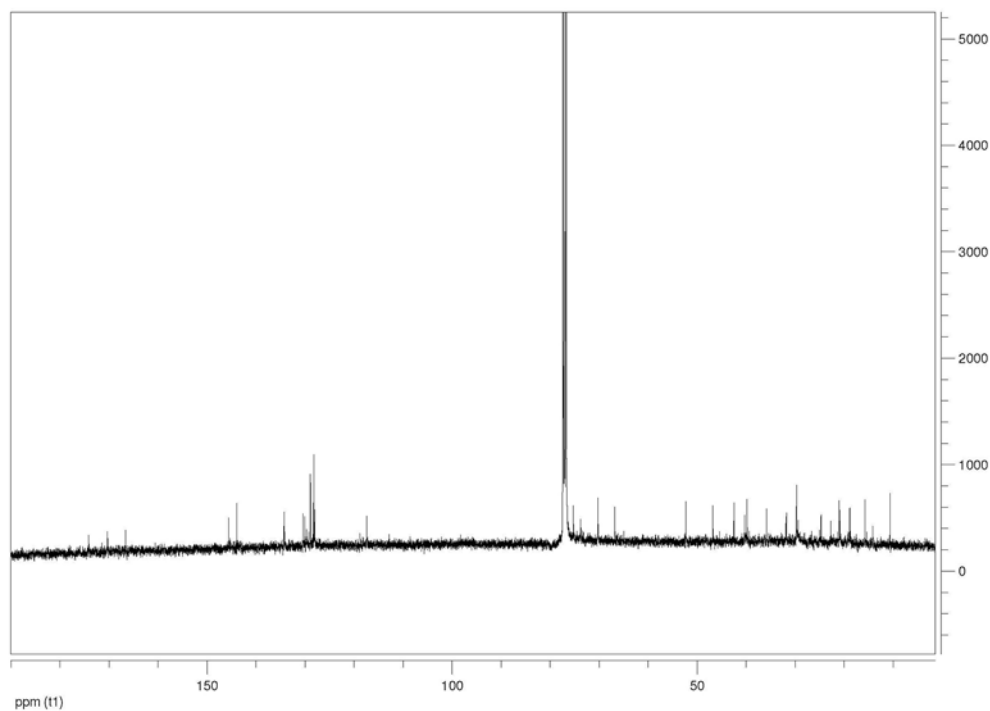


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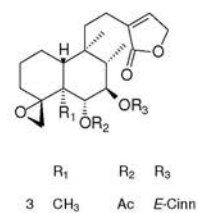
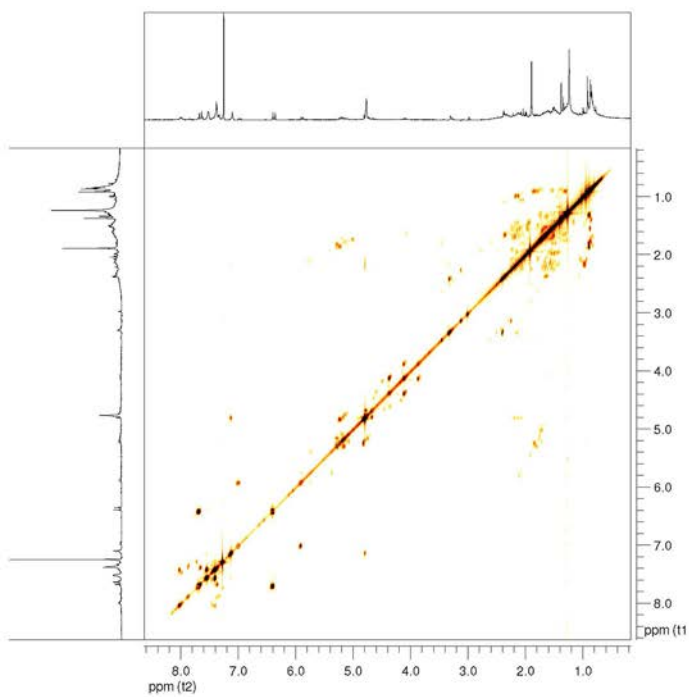


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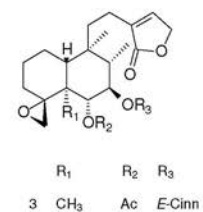
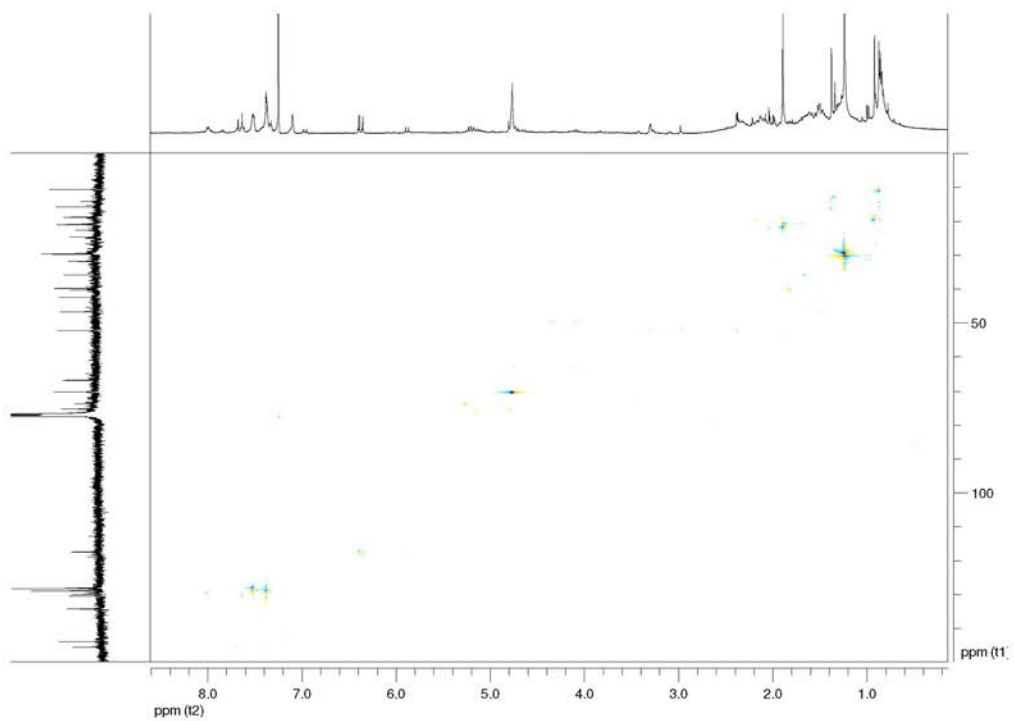


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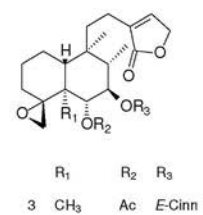
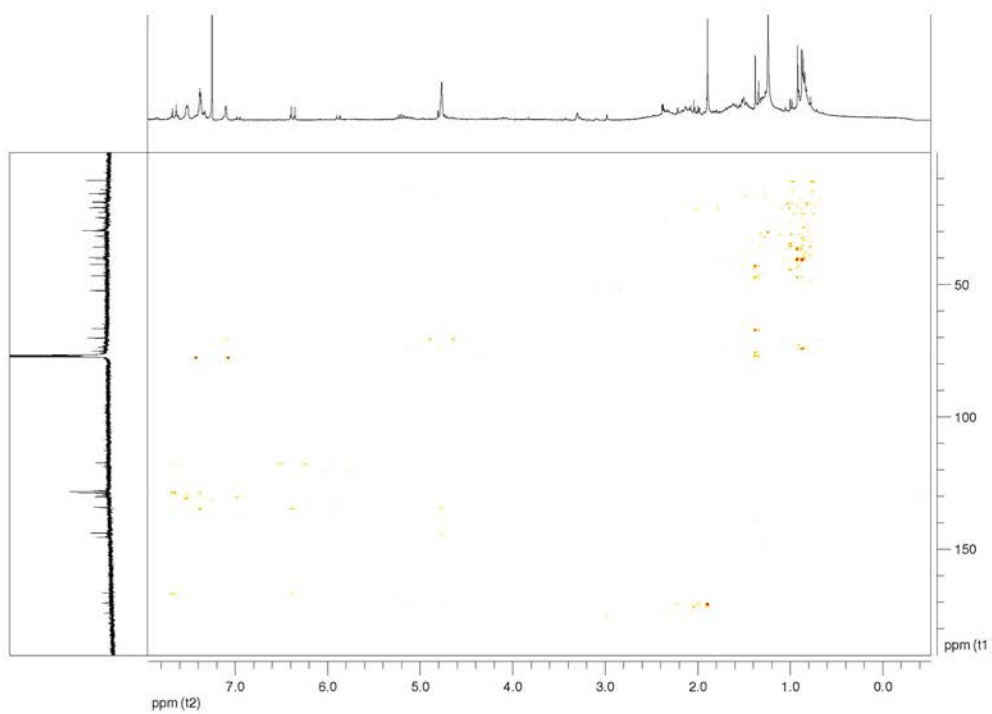


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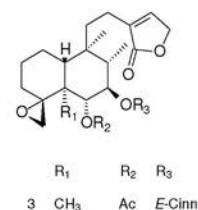
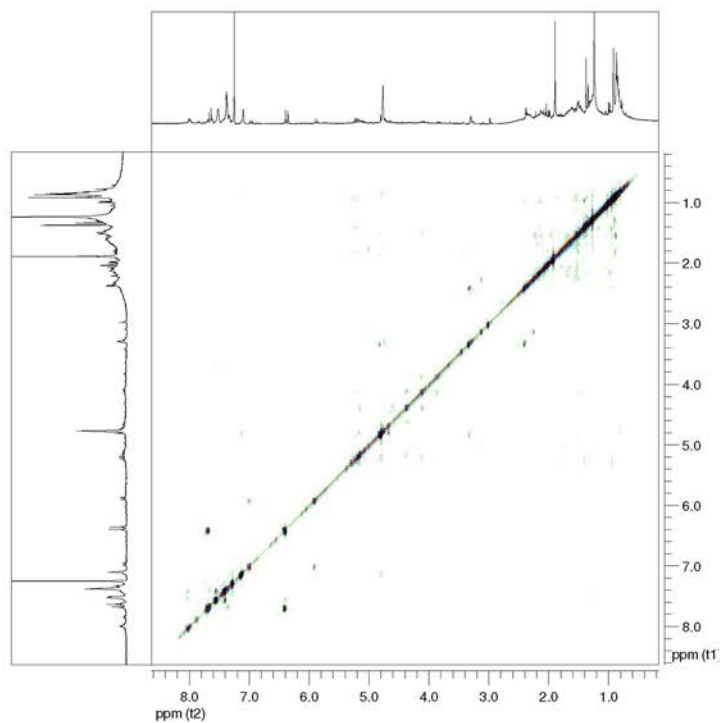
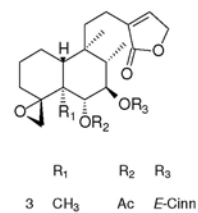
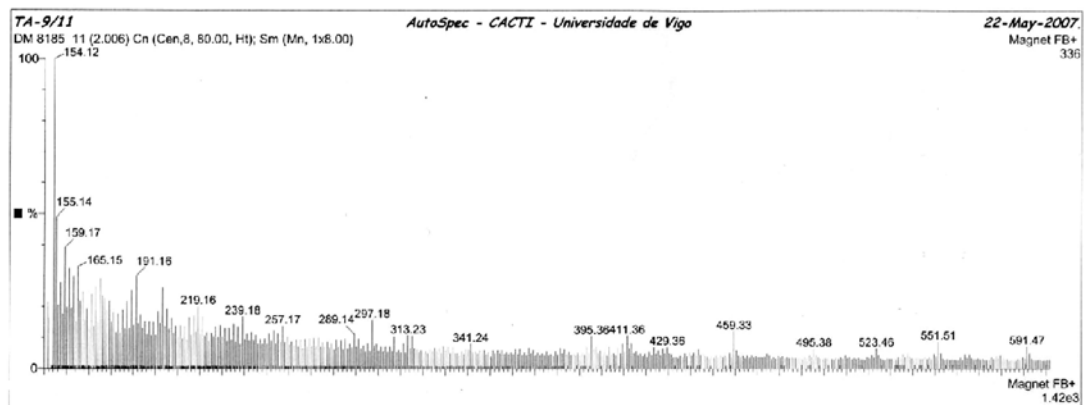
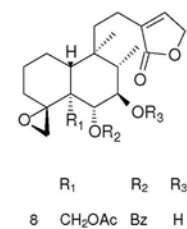
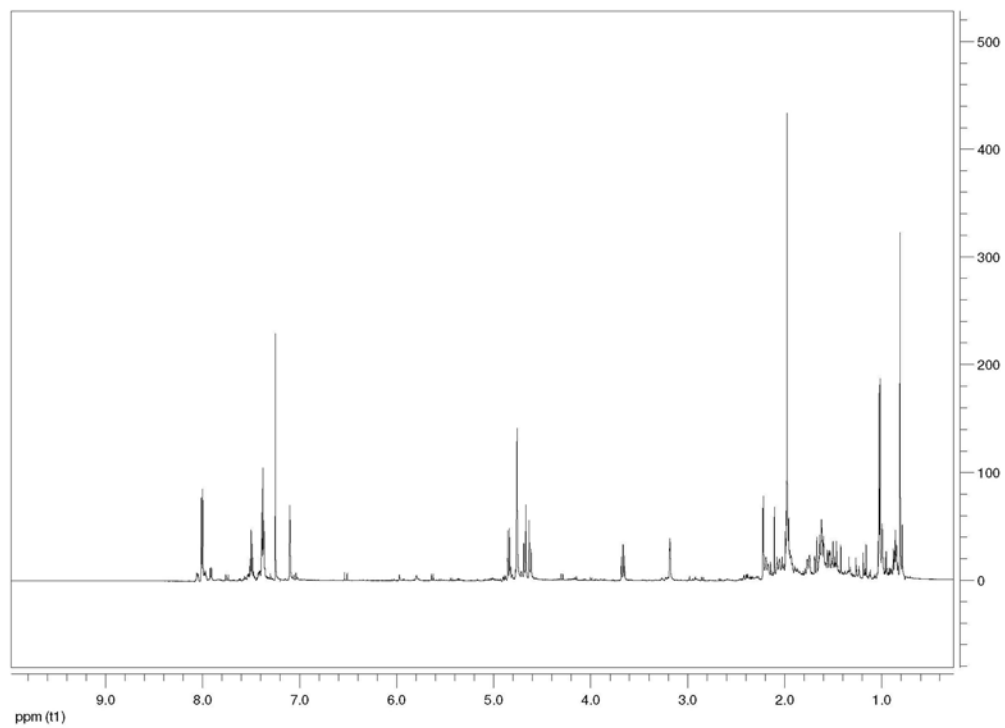
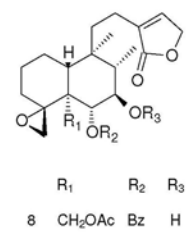
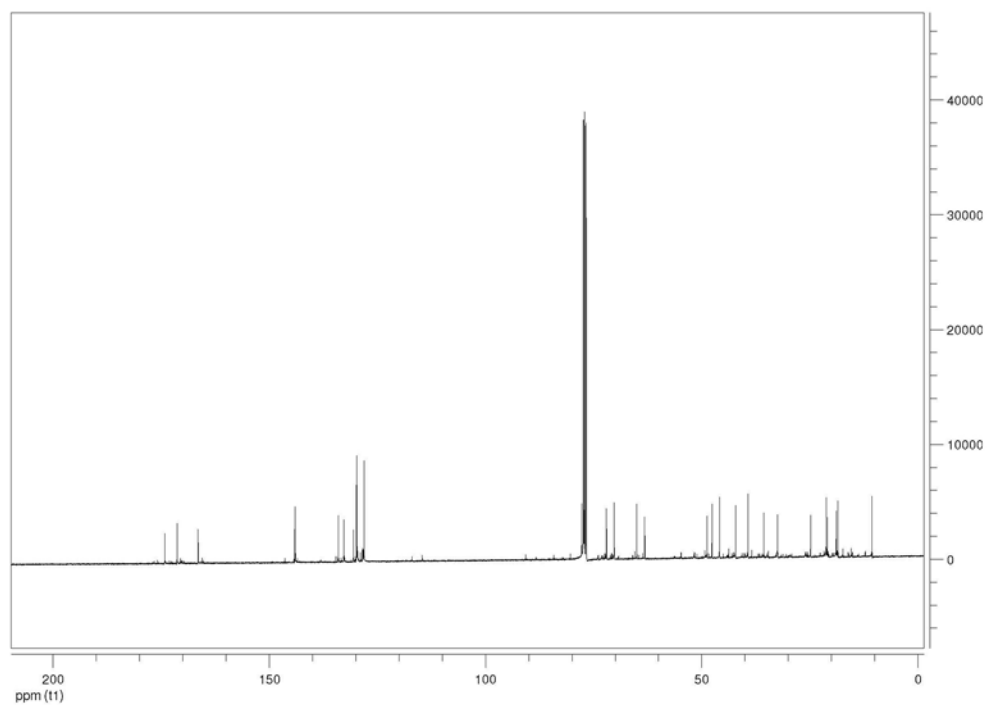
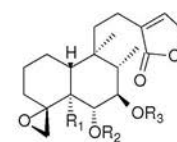
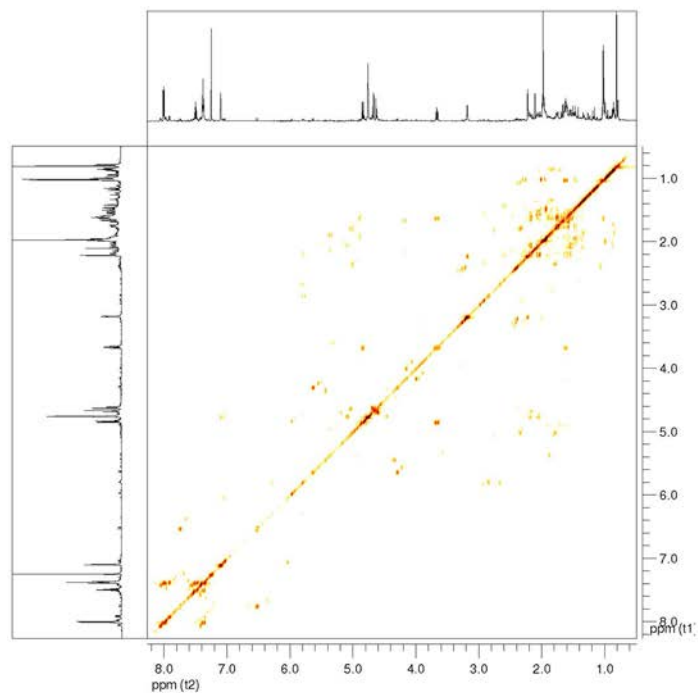
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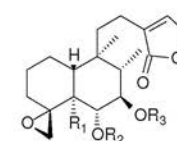
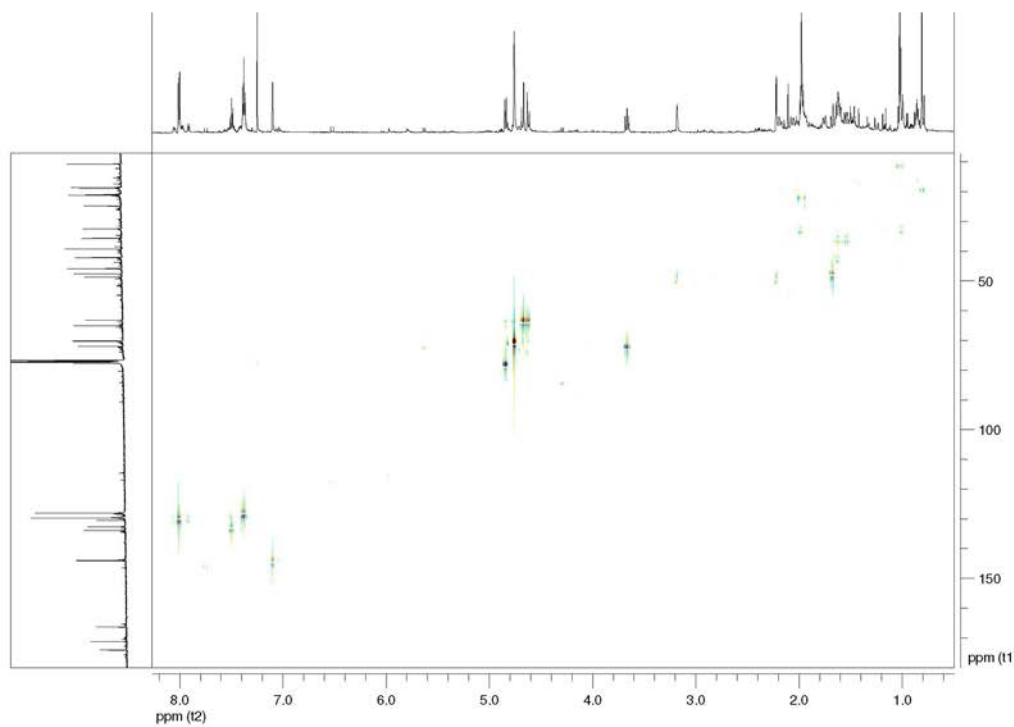
Figure S7 FAB-MS of compound 3.

**Figure S8.** ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound 8.**Figure S9.** ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound 8.



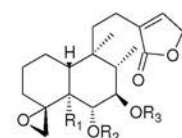
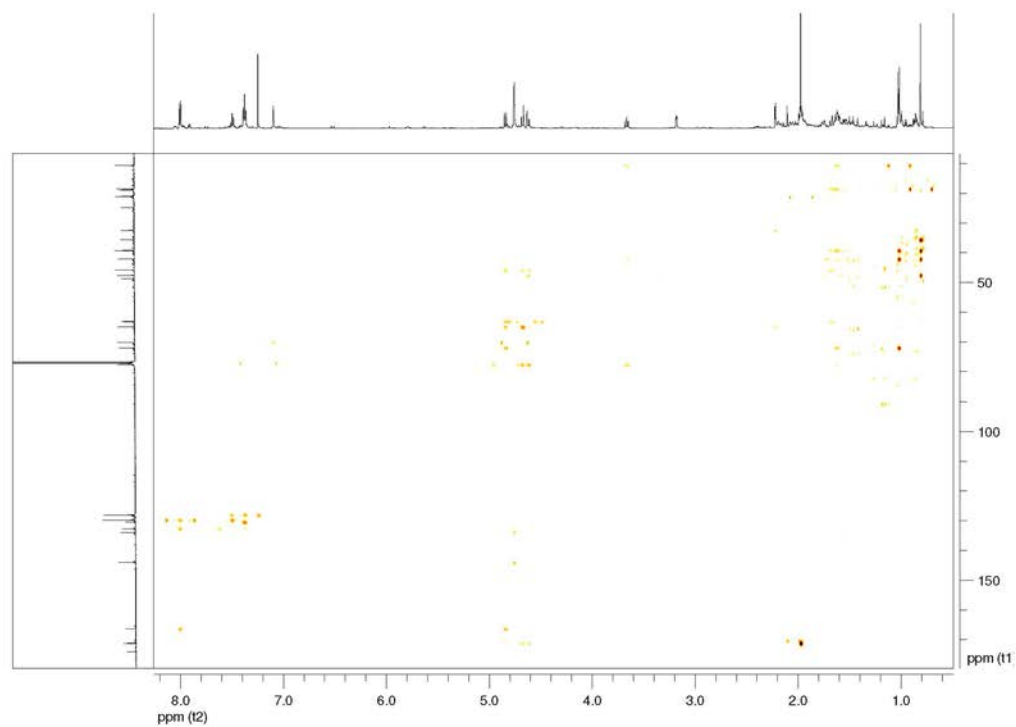
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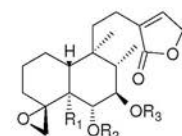
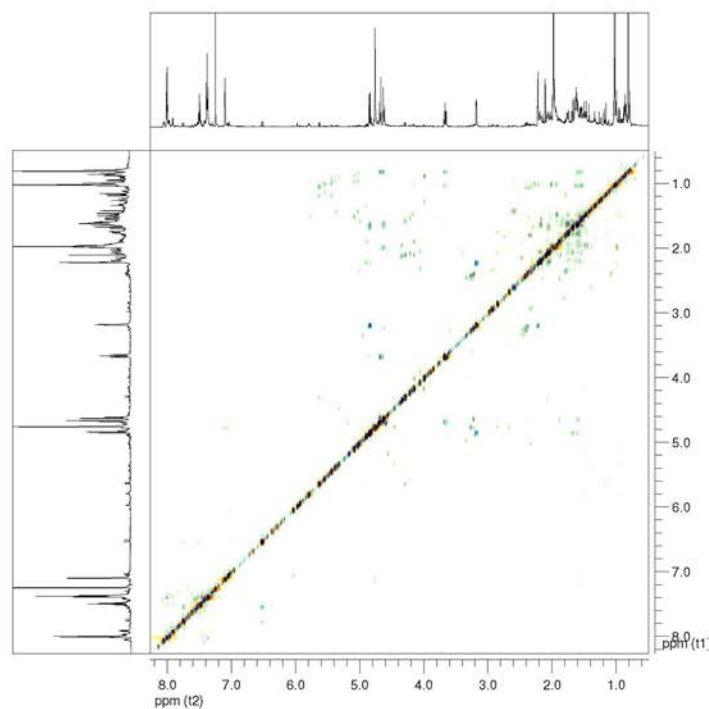
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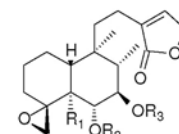
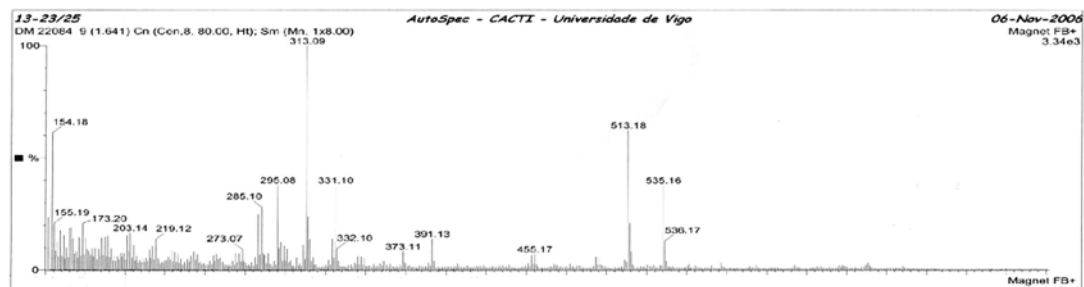
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Figure 12. HMBC (600 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound 8.



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Figure S13. NOESY (600 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound 8.



R₁ R₂ R₃

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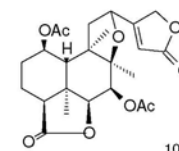
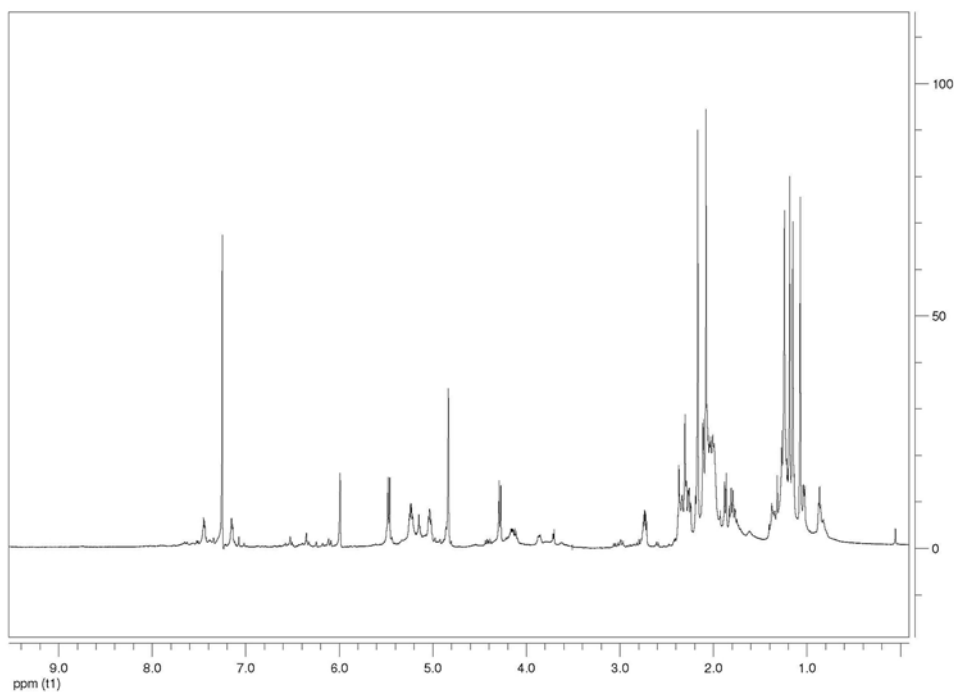


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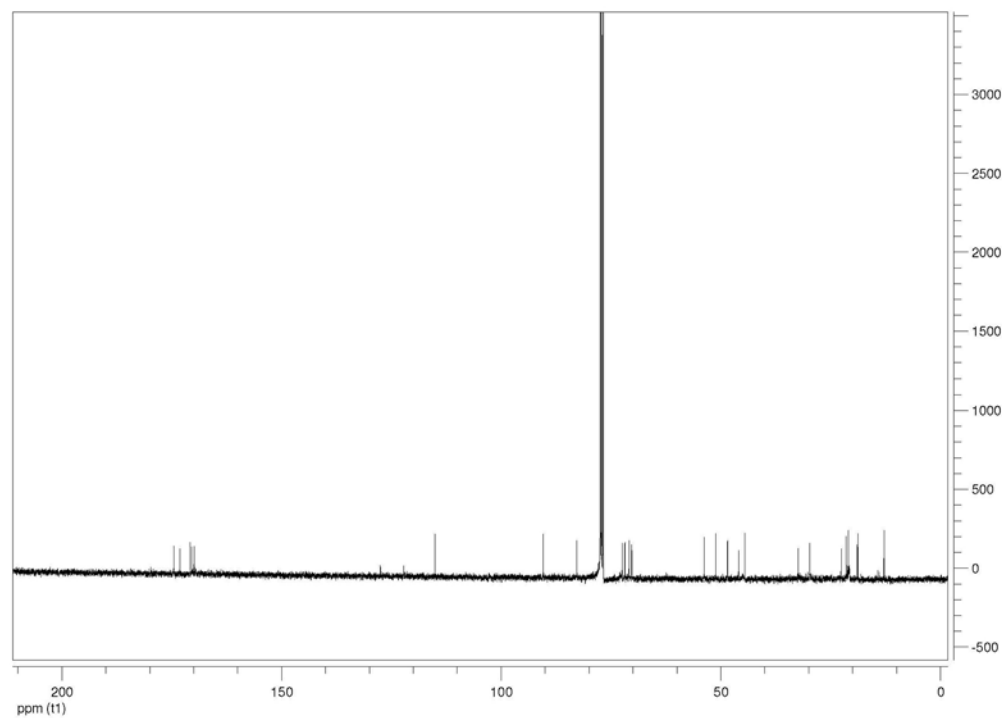


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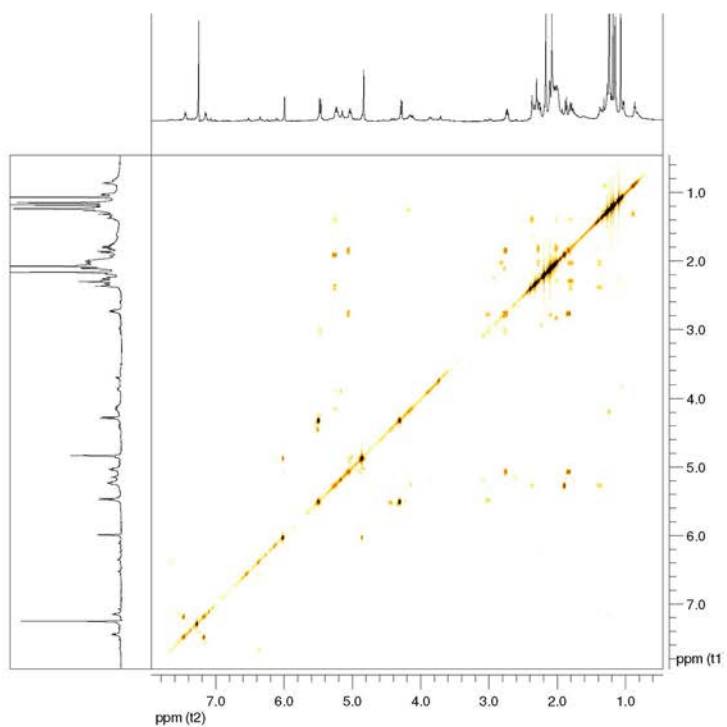


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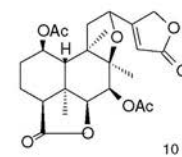
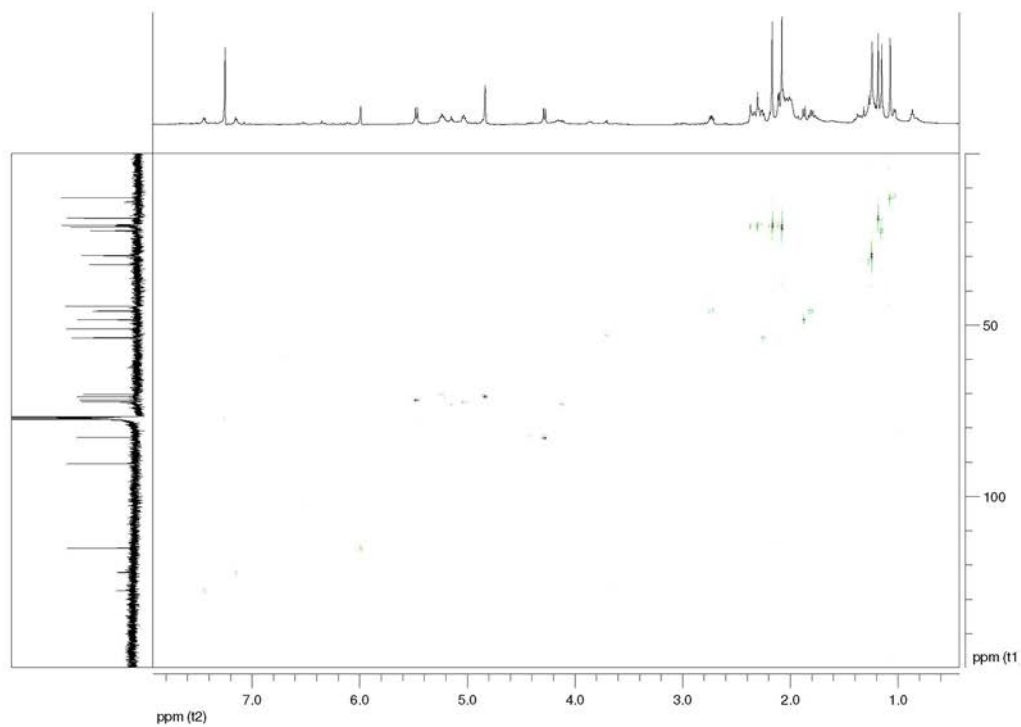


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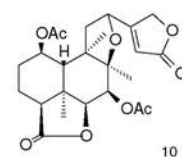
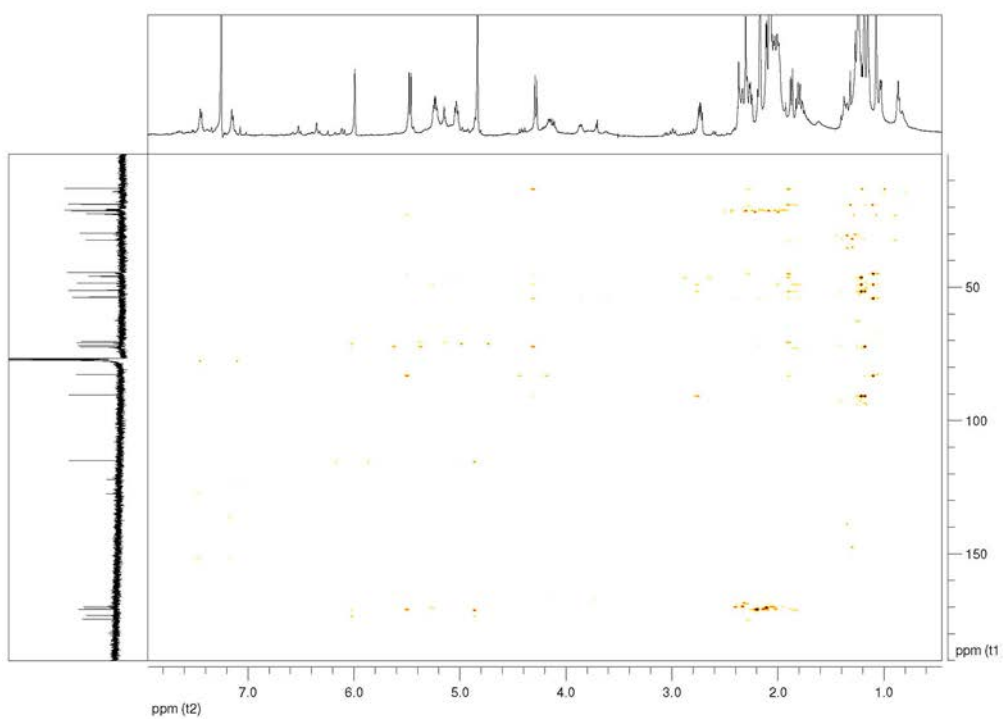


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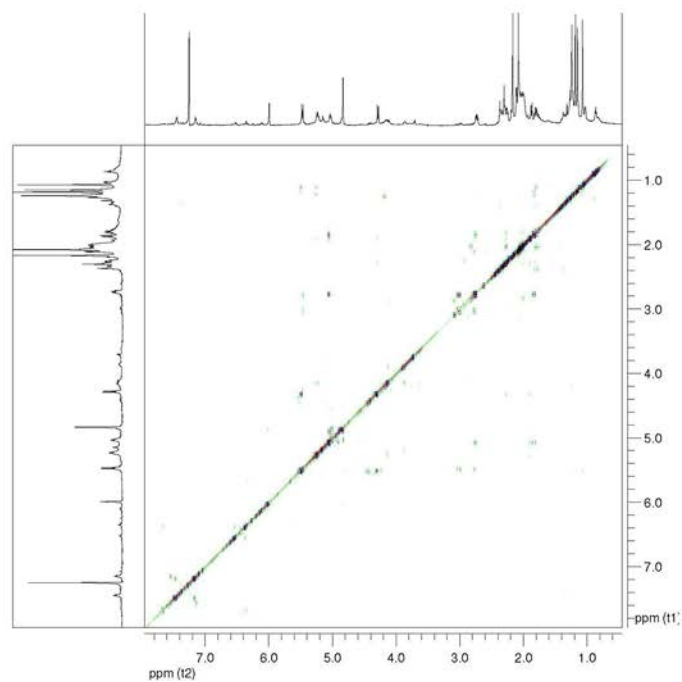


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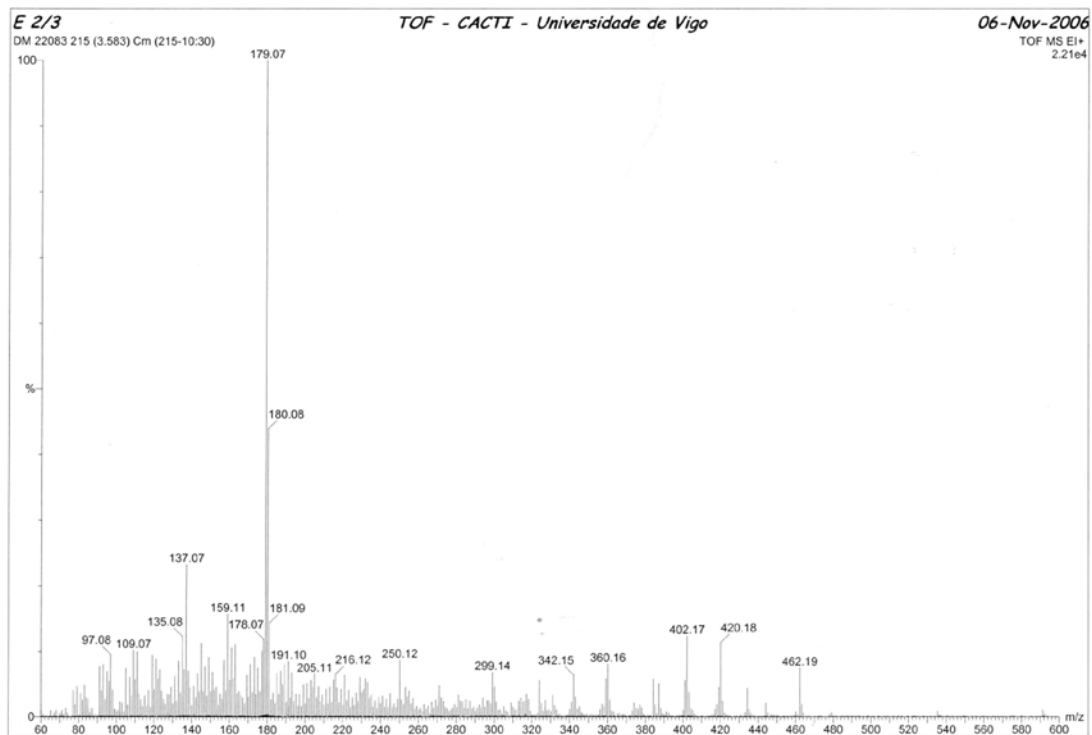


Figure S21 TOF-MS-EI of compound 10.