

## GLYCOSYLXANTHONES FROM ACORUS CALAMUS

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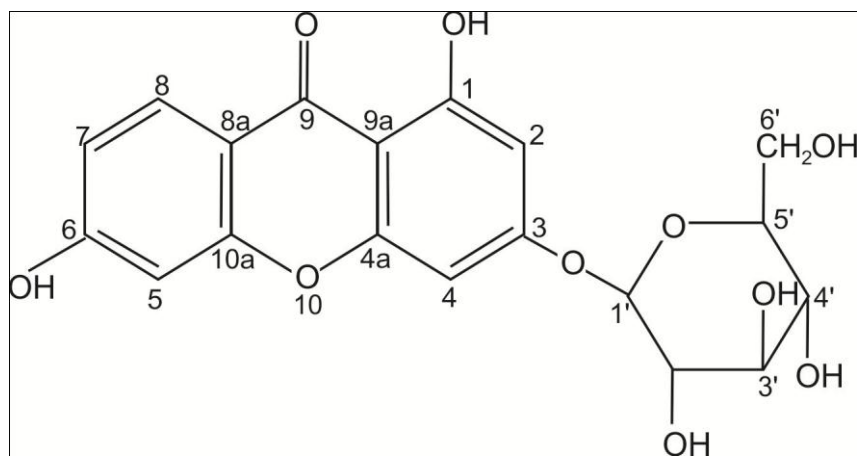
Two new xanthone glycoside, 3-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1,6-dihydroxy xanthone **1** and 3-C- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1-hydroxy-7-methoxyxanthone **2** have been isolated from the rhizome of *Acorus calamus*. Their structures have been established by spectroscopic studies (FABMS, HNMR, CNMR, DEPT and COSY) and by comparison with closely related compounds. *Acorus calamus* belongs to the family Araceae. It grows in India,<sup>[1]</sup> Ceylon and Sikkim. Its rhizome has medicinal properties against bed bugs, mouth, lice, emetic stomach in dyspepsia etc.<sup>[2]</sup> Here we report the isolation and structural

elucidation of two new O- and C-Glycosylxanthones named as 3-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1,6-dihydroxyxanthone **1** and 3-C- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1-hydroxy-7-methoxy-xanthone **2**.

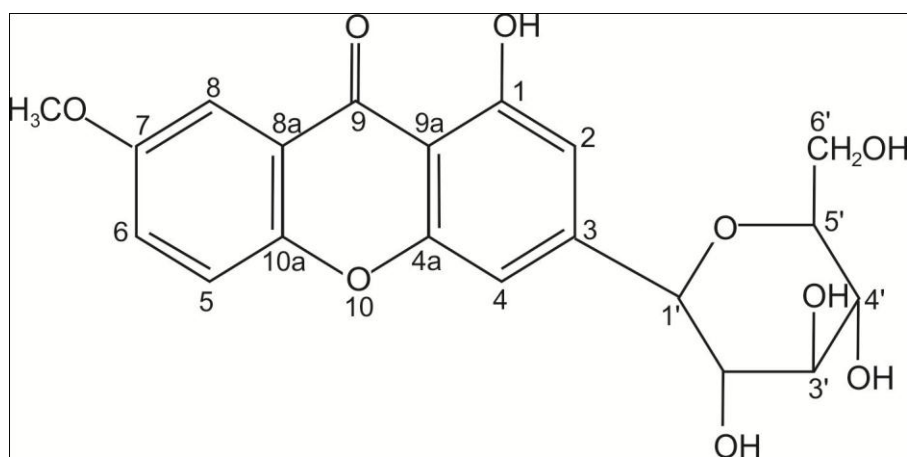
## RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Compound **1** was assigned the molecular formula  $C_{19}H_{18}O_{10}$  on the basis of  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR, DEPT and FAB mass spectrum. Its FAB mass spectrum exhibited a molecular ion peak at  $m/z$  406. Combined with  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  5.06 (d, 1H,  $J=7.5$  Hz). 3.00-4.00 (m, glu-H) and  $^{13}C$  NMR ( $\delta$  99.9, 73.1, 77.1, 69.5, 76.4, 60.6) data indicated the presence of an O-linked  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl moiety. In the  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  12.96, s; 10.42, s; 6.44, s; 6.83, s; 6.87, s; 6.93, d ( $J=8.5$ Hz), 7.95, d ( $J=8.5$  Hz) and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectrum the remaining thirteen carbon signals ( $\delta$  161.6, 99.2, 162.9, 94.9, 164.2, 156.9, 103.1, 161.3, 116.0, 128.6, 121.0, 105.3, 182.0) were similar to those of the dihydroxyxanthone moiety of O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl<sup>3-4</sup>. Its IR spectrum shows absorption bands at 3400-3100, 1600-1400, 1100-1040 and 890-900 indicative of ketone group, hydroxy functions and a  $\beta$ -D-glucoside moiety. Consequently, the structure **1** was established as  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1,6-dihydroxy xanthone, which was confirmed by the HMQC and HMBC spectrum experiments. In the HMBC spectrum of **1**, the long range coupling of C-1 and C-6 with hydroxyl group proton ( $\delta$  12.96, 10.42) located the hydroxy group at C-1 and C-6 respectively. As well as the long range coupling of C-3 with

sugar moiety end-group proton (H-1') suggested that the sugar moiety was at C-3. The correlation between C-2 and H-2, C-4 and H-4, C-5 and H-5, C-7 and H-7, C-8 and H-8 in the HMQC suggested a 3-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1,6-dihydroxy xanthone presence. (See table 1).



**Compound-1**



**Compound-2**

The  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR, DEPT (Table 1 and 2) along with the IR spectrum of compound **2** were very close to those of **1** except for the presence of a methoxyl and the high field shifted of C-1'. The molecular formula  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_9$ , was deduced from its MS and NMR spectra. The long range coupling of C-1 with hydroxyl group proton ( $\delta=13.5$ ) as well as C-7 with methoxy proton ( $\delta=3.90$ ) observed in the HMBC of **2** (Table 2) suggested that the hydroxyl group was at C-1 and the methoxyl group was at C-7. The highfield shifted of C-1' (Table 2) indicated the presence of a C-linked  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl moiety<sup>5-6</sup>, which was confirmed by the fragment ion of FABMS:  $m/z$  163(100). In the HMBC spectrum the long range coupling of C-3 with

H-1' ( $\delta=4.59$ ) located the  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl moiety at C-3. Compound **2** was therefore, assigned as 3-C- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1-hydroxy-7-methoxyxanthone.

### Experimental Section

The plant *Acorus calamus* was collected from Jabalpur (M.P.), India. Melting points were uncorrected. IR spectra were taken on a Parkin Elmer FT-IR spectrometer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR and 2D NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM 400FT-NMR spectrometer using TMS as internal standard. FAB-MS were obtained on a VG-ZAB-HS and VG-Auto Spec-3000 Mass spectrometer. Silica gel (200-300 mesh) was used for CC and silica GF<sub>154</sub>(10-40 $\mu$ ) for TLC. Spots were detected on TLC under UV lamp or by heating after spraying with 5%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ .

### Extraction and Isolation

Dry rhizome of *Acorus calamus* (900gm) was immersed in 95% alcohol for 30 days. The gum (34g) obtained after concentrating the extract, was then extracted with EtOAc, the extract was concentrated and the residue chromatographed on a silica gel column eluted with a gradient of  $\text{CHCl}_3$  and MeOH. The fraction eluted with  $\text{CHCl}_3$ -MeOH(3:1) was rechromatographed on a silica gel column several times, eluting with  $\text{CHCl}_3$ -MeOH to yield compound **1** (10mg) and **2** (20mg).

**3-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1.6-dihydroxyxanthone (1)** White needles (MeOH). m.p. 236-240  $^\circ\text{C}$ , IR: 3350, 2950, 2850, 1662, 1630, 1603, 1490, 1320, 1230, 1072, 1040, 1023, 895, 811. FABMS,  $m/z$ : 406 ( $\text{M}^+$   $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_{10}$ ),  $^1\text{H}$  NMR [400MHz,  $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}_4$  TMS],  $\delta$  ppm: 12.96(1H, s, 1-OH), 12.42(1H, s, 6-OH), 6.44(1H, s, H-2), 6.83(1H, s, H-4), 6.87(1H, s, H-5), 6.93(1H, d,  $J=8.5\text{Hz}$ , H-7), 7.95(1H, d,  $J=8.5\text{Hz}$ , H-8), 5.06(1H, d,  $J=7.5\text{Hz}$ , H-1'), 3.00-4.00(m, glu-H),  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR [100MHz,  $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ , TMS].  $\delta$  ppm: 161.1(C-4), 99.5(C-2), 162.9(C-3), 94.8(C-4), 164.2(C-4a), 156.9(C-10a), 103.1(C-5), 161.3(C-6), 116.0(C-7), 128.6(C-8), 121.0(C-8a), 105.3(C-9a), 182.0( $>\text{C}=\text{O}$ ), 99.9(C-1'), 76.1(C-2'), 77.1(C-3'), 69.5(C-4'), 76.4(C-5'), 60.6(C-6'),  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Chemical shift assignments and HMQC, HMBC correlations see Table 1.

**3-C- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyl-1-hydroxy-7-methoxyxanthone (2)** Yellow crystals (MeOH), m.p. 198-200  $^\circ\text{C}$ , IR: 3360, 1660, 1605, 1488, 1349, 1230, 1074, 1035, 1015, 833. FABMS  $m/z$  404 ( $\text{M}^+$   $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_9$ ) 163 ( $\text{M}^+$   $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_9\text{O}_5$ , 100),  $^1\text{H}$  NMR [400 MHz  $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ , TMS]  $\delta$  ppm: 13.57(1H, s, 1-OH), 6.91(1H, s, 1-H-2), 6.54(1H, s, H-4), 6.94(1H, d,  $J=8.4\text{Hz}$ , H-5), 7.58(1H, d,  $J=9.0\text{Hz}$ , H-6), 7.56(H, s, H-8), 3.90 (3H, s,  $-\text{OCH}_3$ ), 4.59(1H, d,  $J=9, 8\text{Hz}$ , H-

1'), 3.00-4.00 (m, glu-H),  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR[100MHz,  $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{SO}$ , TMS],  $\delta\text{ppm}$ : 160.6 (C-1), 103.2(C-2), 163.4(C-3), 9.37(C-4), 156.2(C-4a), 154.7(C-10a), 115.8(C-5), 120.3(C-6), 148.0(C-7), 110.2(C-8), 121.4(C-8a), 108.8(C-9a), 182.0(>C=O), 56.0(-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 73.25(C-1'), 70.5(C-2'), 78.9(C-3'), 70.2(C-4'), 81.5(C-5'), 61.4(C-6'),  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  Chemical shift assignments and HMQC, HMBC correlations see Table 2.

**Table 1:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz) data and HMBC correlations of 1 in ppm).**

1-OH	12.96(s)	1	161.1 s	H-2, 1-OH
2	6.44(s)	2	99.5 d	H-2, 1-OH
		3	162.9 s	H-2, H-4, H-1'
4	6.83(s)	4	94.8 d	H-2, H-4
		4a	156.9 s	H-4
		10a	164.2 s	H-5, H-8
5	6.87(s)	5	103.1 d	H-5
6-OH	10.42(s)	6	161.3s	H-5, H-7, H-8, 6-OH
7	6.93(d, J=8.5Hz)	7	116.0d	H-5, H-7, H-8, 6-OH
8	7.95(d, J=8.5Hz)	8	128.6 d	H-7, H-8
		8a	121.0 s	H-5, H-7, H-8
		9a	105.3 s	H-2
		9	182.0 s	
Glc-1'	5.06(d, J=7.5Hz)	1'	99.9 d	
Glc-2'-6'	3.00-4.00(m)	2'	73.1 d	1'-H
		3'	77.1 d	1'-H
		4'	68.5 d	
		5'	76.4 d	1'-H
		6'	60.6 t	

\* Multiplicities were determined by DEPT.

**Table II:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz) data and HMBC correlations of 2 in DMSO- $d_6$  ( $\delta$  in ppm).**

H	$\delta_{\text{H}}$	C	$\delta_{\text{C}}^*$	$^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$ long range correlation
1-OH	13.57(s)	1	160.6 s	H-2, 1-OH
2	6.91(s)	2	103.2 d	H-2, H-4, 1-OH
		3	163.4 s	H-2, H-4, H-1
4	6.54(s)	4	93.7 d	H-4
		4a	156.2 s	H-4
		10a	150.7 s	H-5, H-6
5	6.94(d, J=8.4Hz)	5	115.8 d	H-5
6	7.58(d, J=9.0Hz)	6	120.3 d	H-5, H-8
		7	148.0 s	H-6, H-8
8	7.56(s)	8	110.2d	H-6
		8a	121.4 s	H-5, H-8
		9a	108.8 s	H-4, H-8
		9	182.0 s	
OCH <sub>3</sub>	3.90(s)	OCH <sub>3</sub>	56.0 q	
Glc-1'	4.59(d, J=9.8Hz)	1'	73.25 d	
Glc-2'-6'	3.00-4.00(m)	2'	70.6 d	H-1'
		3'	78.9 d	H-1'
		4'	70.2 d	
		5'	81.5d	H-1'
		6'	61.4t	

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