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A new seco-pimarane diterpene and four new β -resorcylic acid lactones from a fungicolous *Hypomyces subiculosus*[†]

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One new pimaran diterpene (1) and four new β -resorcylic acid lactones (2–5), together with eight known compounds (6–13) were isolated from the solid culture of the fungicolous *Hypomyces subiculosus*. The structures of the new compounds were elucidated using extensive spectroscopic methods, including 1D and 2D NMR, HRESIMS, CD experiments, and chemical means. Compound 1 is a ring cleavage pimaran diterpene possessing a bicyclic ring system. All compounds were evaluated for cytotoxic activities. Only compound 7 showed moderate cytotoxicity against the A549 cell line with an IC_{50} of 44.5 μ M.

1. Introduction

Fungicolous fungi refer to a group of fungi growing on the mycelium or sporomes of other fungi as parasites, commensals or saprobes.¹ They have been proven to be a rich source of new and biologically active natural products, with examples including lowdenic acid,² thiersinines,³ solanapyrones,⁴ phomalevones,⁵ and botryolides.⁶ The fungi in the genus of *Hypomyces* are mycoparasitic and are distributed worldwide. Since the first report of sepedonin from *Hypomyces* in 1970,⁷ 26 natural products possessing diverse biological activities, such as antitumor, antibacterial, antimalarial, antifungal and hyperglycemic activities, have been identified from *Hypomyces* sp.^{8–10}

In our search for new bioactive natural products from fungi, a fungicolous fungus of *Hypomyces subiculosus* obtained from *Polyporus versicolor* was chemically investigated. This fungus was fermented on rice and extracted with ethyl acetate to afford the organic solvent extract. A detailed chemical investigation on EtOAc extract led to the isolations of five new compounds, subiculosin A (1), aigialomycin H (2), aigialomycin I (3), paecilomycin N (4), 4'*R*,5'*R*-dihydroaigialospirol (5), together with eight known compounds, 7',8'-dihydroaigialospirol (6),¹¹ hypothemycin (7),¹² dihydrohypothemycin (8),¹³ paecilomycin J

(9),¹⁴ paecilomycin L (10),¹⁴ aigialomycin D (11),¹³ blumenol C (12),¹⁵ 9-*epi*-blumenol C (13).¹⁵ In this work, we reported the isolation, structural determination with the absolute stereochemistry, and bioactivity evaluation of these compounds (Fig. 1).

2. Results and discussion

Structural elucidation

Subiculosin A (1) was obtained as pale yellow power. Its molecular formula was determined to be $C_{20}H_{28}O_6$ with 7 degrees of unsaturation by HRESIMS spectrum at m/z $[M + H]^+$ 365.1962. The 1H NMR (Table 1) of 1 showed signals due to four olefinic protons [δ_H 4.95 (m, 2H), 5.90 (dd, $J = 17.5, 10.9$ Hz), 6.60 s], three methylenes [δ_H 1.81 (dt, $J = 10.1, 2.9$ Hz); 2.37 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz); 2.65 (d, $J = 12.5$ Hz), 2.54 (d, $J = 12.5$ Hz)], three methines [two oxygenated methines at δ_H 3.69 (dd, $J = 10.1, 6.2$ Hz), 4.23 (t, $J = 3.1$ Hz), respectively], and four methyl groups [δ_H 1.11 (s), 1.17 (s, 6H), 1.25 (s)]. The ^{13}C NMR of 1 exhibited twenty carbon resonances corresponding to three carbonyl carbons (δ_C 172.8, 200.3, 204.0), four olefinic carbons (δ_C 112.9, 142.6, 146.0, 146.2), three sp^3 quaternary carbons (δ_C 39.0, 40.8, 56.2), three methine carbons (δ_C 56.3, 71.5, 72.1) including two oxygenated methine carbons, three methylene carbons (δ_C 34.0, 37.5, 44.2), and four methyl carbons (δ_C 16.0, 21.8, 24.2, 28.3). Extensive analysis of the 1H - 1H COSY correlations of H-1–H₂-2–H-3, together with the key HMBC correlations (Fig. 2) from H-1 to C-3 and C-5, from H₂-2 to C-4 and C-10, from H-3 to C-1 and C-5, H-5 to C-1, C-3, C-4, C-6, C-7, C-9, and C-10, from H-7 to C-5, C-6, C-8, and C-9, from H₃-18(19) to C-3, C-4, and C-5, and from H₃-20 to C-1, C-5, C-9 and C-10 established 5,7-dihydroxy-4a,8,8-trimethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalene-1,4-dione skeleton (Fig. 3). The side chain of 3-ethyl-3-methylpent-4-enoic acid was deduced by the 1H - 1H COSY correlation of H-15 with H₂-16,

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Fig. 1 Structures of compounds 1–14.

as well as the HMBC correlations from H₂-11 to C-12, C-13, C-15, C-16, and C-17, from H₂-13 to C-11, C-12, C-14, C-15, and C-17, from H₃-17 to C-11, C-12, C-13 and C-15. The connection of this side chain with C-8 was determined by HMBC correlations of H-7 with C-11, and H₂-11 with C-7, C-8, and C-9. The NOE correlations (Fig. 3) of H-3 (δ_{H} 3.69) with H-5 and H₃-19 placed them on the same side. The NOE correlations of H-1 (δ_{H} 4.23) with H₃-18 and H₃-20 indicated that H-1, H₃-18 and H₃-20 were on the other side of the rings. The absolute configuration of **1** was determined by applying the α , β -unsaturated cyclohexanone octant rule. In the α , β -unsaturated cyclohexanone octant rule, the conformation of cyclohexanone ring determines the helicity of enone moiety, which further establishes the sign of the Cotton effect. The positive Cotton effect (Fig. 4) deriving from $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition at 380 nm in **1** allowed the unambiguous assignment of the absolute configuration of 1*S*,3*S*,5*S*,10*R* in **1**.^{16,17} The absolute configuration at C-12 in **1** was left unsolved in this work.

Aigialomycin H (**2**) possessed the molecular formula of C₁₉H₂₆O₈ with 7 degrees of unsaturation based on HRESIMS and NMR data. Further analysis of its 1D NMR data (Table 2)

and HSQC revealed an ester carbonyl group (δ_{C} 168.1), a 1, 2, 3, 5- tetrasubstituted benzene ring, a double bond (δ_{H} 5.40, δ_{C} 124.2; δ_{H} 5.42, δ_{C} 131.5), five oxygenated methines (δ_{H} 3.71, δ_{C} 65.9; δ_{H} 4.52, δ_{C} 66.7; δ_{H} 3.64, δ_{C} 68.7; δ_{H} 2.96, δ_{C} 76.1; δ_{H} 4.60, δ_{C} 80.3), three methylenes (δ_{H} 2.05, 1.96, δ_{C} 28.7; δ_{H} 1.90, 1.69, δ_{C} 36.1; δ_{H} 1.47, 1.40, δ_{C} 33.5), a doublet methyl [δ_{H} 1.60 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), δ_{C} 17.8], a methoxy group (δ_{H} 3.83, δ_{C} 55.8) and five exchangeable hydrogens [δ_{H} 4.05 (d, J = 7.0), 4.29 (d, J = 7.4), 4.76 (d, J = 6.4), 6.04 (d, J = 6.2), 11.12 (s)]. The HMBC correlations from H-3 to C-1, C-2, C-4, and C-5, from H-5 to C-1, C-3, C-4, and C-6, and from CH₃O-4 to C-4 revealed the substructure moiety of 3-methoxyphenol (Fig. 2). The side chain structure from C-1' to C-11' was established primarily by COSY correlations of H-1'-H-2'-H-3'-H-4'-H-5'-H-6'-H-2'-H-2'-H-8'-H-9'-H-10'-H-3-11', OH-1'-H-1', OH-4'-H-4', OH-5'-H-5', and OH-6'-H-6'. The connection of C-1' and C-6 was elucidated by HMBC correlations from H-1' to C-1, C-5, and C-6. Considering a remaining unsaturation and the chemical shift of C-2' (δ_{C} 80.3), as well as the HMBC correlations from H-2' (δ_{H} 4.60) to the ester carbonyl group (δ_{C} 168.1), C-2' was determined to connect with carbonyl carbon *via* an oxygen atom to form

Table 1 ^1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz) data of **1** in acetone- d_6

No.	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (mult. J in Hz)
1	71.5	4.23, t (3.1)
2	34.0	1.81, dt (10.1, 2.9)
3	72.1	3.69, dd (10.1, 6.2)
4	39.0	
5	56.3	3.27, s
6	200.3	
7	142.6	6.60, s
8	146.2	
9	204.0	
10	56.2	
11	37.5	2.65, d (12.5) 2.54, d (12.5)
12	40.8	
13	44.2	2.37, d (3.1)
14	172.8	
15	146.0	5.90, dd (17.5, 10.9)
16	112.9	4.95, m
17	24.2	1.11, s
18	16.0	1.17, s
19	28.3	1.25, s
20	21.8	1.17, s

a δ -lactone. The *trans*-double bond between C-9' and C-10' was ascertained by the NOE correlation of H₃-11' with H-9'. The stereochemistry of **2** was deduced by analysis of coupling constant values and conversion to acetonide derivatives as previously reported for aigialomycin F.¹¹ The ^1H - ^1H $J_{1',2'}$ value of 6.6 Hz indicated a *trans* relation of these protons. Treatment of **2** with 2, 2-DMP in the presence of TsOH (rt, 4 h) gave a bis-acetonide derivative **14** as the sole product (Scheme 1). Compound **14** was determined to possess the molecular formula of C₂₅H₃₄O₈ by HRESIMS at m/z [M + H]⁺ 463.2335, thus indicating two more C₃H₆ units than that of **2**. The HMBC correlations from H-1' (δ_{H} 5.05) and H-4' (δ_{H} 3.90) to C-3'' (δ_{C} 101.7) revealed the seven-membered acetonide moiety in **14**.

Although the HMBC corresponding signals between H-5' (6') and C-3''' were not observed, another C₃H₆ unit was most likely to be linked with C-5' and C-6' *via* oxygen by considering the chemical shifts of C-5' (δ_{C} 81.6) and C-6' (δ_{C} 67.9). The NOE correlation (Fig. 3) of H-4' (δ_{H} 3.90) with H-2' (δ_{H} 4.45) placed them on the same side of the seven membered-ring. The vicinal coupling constants ($^3J_{4',5'} = 7.1$ Hz) between H-4' and H-5' implied a *trans* relation of them. The Dana's method could be applied to assign the relative configuration of the 1,2-diols *via* their 1,2-dioxolanes. In the 1,2-diol acetonides, the chemical shifts of methyl carbons for 1,2-*anti* configuration were at about 25 ppm (Me _{β}) and 28 ppm (Me _{α}); for 1,2-*syn* configuration, both of the chemical shifts were at about 27 ppm.^{18–20} Hence, 1,2-diols at C5/C6 position in **2** was determined to adopt the 1,2-*syn* based on the ^{13}C NMR signals of C-1''' (δ_{C} 27.4) and C-2''' (δ_{C} 27.0) in the 1,2-diol acetonide (Scheme 1). Therefore, the relative configuration of **2** was determined. Furthermore, the similar NMR data between **2** and aigialomycin F at stereogenic centers also supported the same relative stereochemistry of **2** as that of aigialomycin F. The absolute configuration at C-1' of **2** was confirmed as *R* by considering the same biosynthetic pathway for the known β -resorcylic acid lactones.¹¹ Thus, the absolute configuration of **2** was deduced to be 1'*R*,2'*S*,4'*S*,5'*R*,6'*S*.

The molecular formula of aigialomycin I (**3**) was established as C₁₉H₂₆O₇ with 7 degrees of unsaturation, determined by HRESIMS at m/z [M + H]⁺ 367.1757. The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR data of **3** showed similar structure with those of dihydrohypothemycin (**8**),¹³ except for the absence of one ketone carbon, and the presence of a methylene (δ_{H} 1.76, 2.07, δ_{C} 27.9) that was assigned at C-4' by the ^1H - ^1H COSY correlations of H-1'-H-2'-H₂-3'-H₂-4'-H-5'-H-6'-H₂-7'-H₂-8' and the HMBC correlations of H₂-4' with C-2', C-3', C-5' and C-6'. Considering the chemical shifts of C-5' (δ_{C} 71.2) and C-6' (δ_{C} 69.0), the two hydroxyl moieties were attached at C-5' and C-6', respectively. The stereochemistry of C-5' and C-6' were assigned as 5'*R*, 6'*S* by

Fig. 2 Key ^1H - ^1H COSY and HMBC correlations of compounds **1**–**5**.

Fig. 3 Key ROESY correlations of compounds 1, 4–5 and 14.

Fig. 4 (a) CD spectrum of 1. (b) Standard conformation of α , β -unsaturated cyclohexanone and its application of the octant rule. (c) The application of α , β -unsaturated cyclohexanone octant rule in 1.

applying the Sneath's method²¹ based on an observed positive Cotton effect at 318 nm in the $\text{Mo}_4(\text{OAc})_4$ -induced CD spectrum (Fig. 6). The absolute configurations of C-1', C-2' and C-10' in 3 were deduced to be 1'*R*, 2'*R*, 10'*S* by the similar negative Cotton effects around 264 nm and 307 nm with those of compound 9 (Fig. 5). Therefore, the absolute configuration of 3 was determined to be 1'*R*, 2'*R*, 5'*R*, 6'*S*, 10'*S*.

Paecilomycin N (4) was obtained as a white powder. Its molecular formula was determined as $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_7$ (8 degrees of unsaturation) on the basis of HRESIMS ion peak at m/z $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 407.2138. The structure of 4 was confirmed by analysis of 1D and 2D NMR spectra (Table 3). A *trans*-configuration between H-7' and H-8' was determined on the basis of the larger coupling constant ($J_{7',8'} = 15.7$ Hz) in 4. In the ROESY spectrum, the correlations of H-1' (δ_{H} 5.60) with H-3' β (δ_{H} 2.02) as well as H-6' (δ_{H} 3.98) with H-3' β and H-4' β (δ_{H} 1.76) indicated that H-1', H-3' β , H-4' β , and H-6' were on the same side. The correlations of H-2' (δ_{H} 4.10) with H-4' α (δ_{H} 2.07), and H-3' α (δ_{H} 2.25) with H-5' (δ_{H} 4.15) placed H-2', H-3' α , H-4' α and H-5' on the opposite side (Fig. 3). The absolute configuration of 4 was assigned as 1'*R*, 2'*S*, 5'*R*, 6'*S*, 10'*S* by comparing the CD spectrum between 4 and 9 (Fig. 5).

Table 2 ^1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz) data of 2 in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$

No.	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (mult. J in Hz)
1	100.1	
2	163.1	
3	100.0	6.48, d (2.4)
4	165.7	
5	104.8	6.60, d (2.3)
6	145.1	
1'	66.7	4.52, t (6.6)
2'	80.3	4.60, m
3'	36.1	1.90, m
		1.69, t (13.0)
4'	65.9	3.71, m
5'	76.1	2.96, td (7.7, 2.1)
6'	68.7	3.64, m
7'	33.5	1.47, m
		1.40, m
8'	28.7	2.05, m
		1.96, m
9'	131.5	5.42, m
10'	124.2	5.40, m
11'	17.8	1.60, d (4.8)
–COO–	168.1	
2-OH		11.12, s
4-OCH ₃	55.8	3.83, s
1'-OH		6.04, d (6.2)
4'-OH		4.76, d (6.4)
5'-OH		4.29, d (7.4)
6'-OH		4.05, d (7.0)

4'*R*, 5'*R*-Dihydroaigialospirol (5) was isolated as a colorless solid with the molecular formula $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_8$ (7 degrees of unsaturation). Careful analysis of 1D and 2D NMR data (Table 3), particularly ^1H – ^1H COSY and HMBC revealed the same planar structure with the known compound 7', 8'-dihydroaigialospirol (6) (Fig. 2). The smaller coupling constant ($J_{4',5'} = 3.5$ Hz) between H-4' and H-5' in 5 implied a *syn* configuration. The NOE correlations of H-2' (δ_{H} 4.01) with H-4' (δ_{H} 3.98) and H-5' (δ_{H} 3.49) placed these protons on the same face of the rings. 1D NOE correlations of H-10' to H-2' and H-5 revealed their proximity in space, and the relative configuration of the spiroketal carbon C-6' also was determined meanwhile. In the previous report, the absolute configuration of compound 6 has been determined by chemical derivation and X-ray analysis. The identical negative Cotton effect at 216 and 284 nm, and positive Cotton effect at 240 nm between 5 and the co-isolated known compound 6 (Fig. 7), combined with the almost same chemical shifts and coupling constant of H-1' and H-2' between 5 and 6, implied the 1'*S*, 2'*R* configuration at C-1' and C-2'. Thus, the absolute configuration of 5 was determined as 1'*S*, 2'*R*, 4'*R*, 5'*R*, 6'*R*, 10'*S*.

Compounds 1–13 were tested for their cytotoxic activities against A549, K562 and ASPC cell lines using MTT method.²² Only compound 7 showed moderate cytotoxicity against A549 cell line with IC_{50} values of $44.5 \mu\text{M} \pm 3.1$ (positive control: IC_{50} of cisplatin against A549 was $25.60 \mu\text{M} \pm 2.8$). None of them exhibited cytotoxicities against K562 and ASPC at the concentration of 100 μM .

In conclusion, the investigation of the fungicolous fungus *H. subiculosus* obtained from *Polyporus versicolor* resulted in the

Scheme 1 Preparation of acetonide derivatives of **14** and ^{13}C NMR signals of acetonide carbon atoms; 2,2-DMP = 2,2-dimethoxypropane, TsOH = *para*-toluenesulfonic acid.

Fig. 5 CD spectrum of **3**, **4**, and **9**.

Fig. 6 CD spectrum of Mo-complex of **3** with $\text{Mo}_2(\text{AcO})_4$.

isolation and identification of five new compounds and eight known compounds. Compound **1** is a ring cleavage pimarane diterpene with new structural type. Compounds **2**–**5** are new β -resorcylic acid lactone derivatives. The cytotoxic activities for these compounds against a small panel of tumor cell lines were evaluated. The discovery of compounds **1**–**5** expands the resources for natural products.

3. Experimental section

General experimental procedures

The NMR spectroscopic data were measured on a Bruker Avance-500 spectrometer. UV and IR spectroscopic data were recorded on a Thermo Genesys-10S UV/Vis and Nicolet IS5FT-IR spectrophotometer, respectively. HRTOFMS data were obtained with an Agilent Accurate-Mass-Q-TOF LC/MS 6520 spectrometer. CD spectra were measured with a Chirascan circular dichroism spectrometer (Applied Photophysics, Surrey, UK).

TLC were performed on plates precoated with Silica gel HSGF₂₅₄ and the spots were detected under UV lights or by heating after spraying with 10% H_2SO_4 . Silica gel (200–300 mesh, Qingdao Haiyang Chemical Co., Ltd., People's Republic of China), and Sephadex LH-20 (Amersham Biosciences) were used for column chromatography. Semi-preparative HPLC was performed with an Waters 2489 HPLC system using an octadecylsilyl (ODS) column (YMC-Pack, ODS-A, 10 × 250 mm, 5 μm).

Fungal material

The fungal *H. subiculosus* was isolated from *Polyporus versicolor*. The strain was identified based on combined data of morphology, anatomy, culture characteristics, type of substrate, and the DNA sequences of ITS1-5.8S-ITS2, RPB2 and TEF regions.

Extraction and isolation

H. subiculosus was cultured on PDB-agar plates at 25 °C for 7 days. Seed culture Agar plugs were inoculated into a 250 mL Erlenmeyer flask containing 100 mL PDB medium cultured at 25 °C for 10 days on a rotary shaker at 180 rpm. Mass scale fermentation was carried out in 20 × 500 mL Fernbach culture flasks each containing 80 g of rice and 100 mL of distilled water. Each flask was inoculated with 5 mL of seed culture medium and incubated at 25 °C for 40 days in dark. After 40 days, the fermented rice sample was harvested and extracted using EtOAc (3 × 10 L), and 14 g crude extract was obtained by evaporating solvent under vacuum.

The crude extract was subjected to a silica gel column eluted with petroleum ether–EtOAc in a gradient eluent (v/v, 100 : 0, 50 : 1, 20 : 1, 10 : 1, 5 : 1), followed by CH_2Cl_2 –MeOH (v/v, 100 : 0, 100 : 1, 80 : 1, 50 : 1, 20 : 1, 10 : 1, 0 : 100) to obtain 16 fractions (fr.1–fr.16) on the basis of TLC. The fr.9 (2.5 g) was separated by ODS CC using a gradient of MeOH– H_2O (25–100%) to afford 19 subfractions (fr.9.1–fr.9.19). The fr.9.7 was further purified by RP-HPLC (43% MeOH in H_2O for 30 min) to obtain **4** (3.5 mg, t_{R} = 27.5 min). The fr.9.9 was further purified by Sephadex LH-20 CC eluted with 100% MeOH to afford **6** (91.5 mg). The fr.9.8 was further separated by Sephadex LH-20 CC eluted with 100% MeOH, followed by RP-HPLC (40% MeOH for 55 min) to afford **12** (15.7, t_{R} = 51.5 min), **13** (16.2, t_{R} = 52.8 min). The fr.9.19 was further purified by semipreparative reversed-phase (RP) HPLC (YMC-ODS C18 column; 5 μm ; 9.4 × 250 mm; 60% MeOH in H_2O for 35 min) to afford **2** (3.8 mg, t_{R} =

Table 3 ^1H (500 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz) data of 3–5 in CDCl_3

No.	3		4		5	
	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (mult. J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (mult. J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (mult. J in Hz)
1	104.4		105.5		104.6	
2	166.0		165.0		158.0	
3	100.9	6.41, d (2.6)	101.1	6.42, d (2.6)	101.5	6.48, s
4	164.9		164.4		167.4	
5	104.1	6.43, d (2.6)	107.4	6.72, d (2.6)	101.9	6.65, s
6	142.4		148.0		149.2	
1'	57.1	4.61, s	71.9	5.60, d (9.0)	82.9	5.36, d (7.5)
2'	64.8	2.67, d (9.1)	84.8	4.10, dt (9.0, 6.3)	66.3	4.01, dt (7.5, 2.1)
3'	26.7	2.27, m	30.1	2.25, m	28.9	2.01, m
4'	29.4	1.38, m	27.9	2.02, m	69.0	1.84, dd (14.0, 3.5)
		2.07, m		2.07, m		3.98, d (3.5)
5'	71.2	1.64, m	84.3	1.76, m	70.0	3.49, d (3.5)
		3.61, m		4.15, m		
6'	69.0	3.72, m	75.0	3.98, m	100.4	
7'	32.4	1.66, m	133.6	5.44, ddd (15.7, 4.7, 1.5)	31.0	1.97, m
8'	21.5	1.58, m	125.9	5.66, ddd (15.7, 8.7, 5.7, 1.5)	18.5	1.43, m
						1.84, m
						1.70, m
9'	34.2	1.76, m	37.9	2.33, dt (14.3, 8.1)	32.1	1.61, m
		1.66, m		2.74, m		1.28, m
10'	73.6	5.31, m	71.9	5.50, m	67.5	3.63, m
10'-CH ₃	20.9	1.38, d (6.3)	19.8	1.40, d (6.5)	21.8	1.12, d (6.2)
2-OH		12.10, s		11.77, s		
4-OCH ₃	55.5	3.80, s	55.5	3.80, s	56.2	3.86, s
-COO-	171.2		171.3		171.5

Fig. 7 CD spectrum of 5 and 6.

32.2 min), 7 (37.8 mg, t_{R} = 15.9 min), 8 (43.7 mg, t_{R} = 28.8 min). The fr.11 (2.8 g) was subjected to ODS CC eluted with a gradient of MeOH–H₂O (10–100%) further separated by Sephadex LH-20 CC eluted with 100% MeOH, followed by RP-HPLC (58% MeOH for 55 min) to afford 1 (2.3 mg, t_{R} = 19.0 min), 5 (2.8 mg, t_{R} = 24.3 min), 9 (4.5 mg, t_{R} = 28.0 min), 6 (42.0 mg, t_{R} = 50.8 min). The fr.12 (1.1 g) was subjected to ODS CC eluted with MeOH–H₂O in a gradient eluent (10–100%), followed by RP-HPLC (50% MeOH for 40 min) to obtain 10 (5.2 mg, t_{R} = 24.7 min), 3 (2.3 mg, t_{R} = 33.5 min), 11 (20.0 mg, t_{R} = 36.0 min).

Subiculosin A (1). C₂₀H₂₈O₆, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20.0}$ +55.60 (c 0.13, CH₂Cl₂); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 245 (4.12) nm; CD (c 9.5 $\times$ 10^{−4} M,

MeOH) λ_{max} ($\Delta\epsilon$) 226 (−39.7), 254 (+7.5), 380 (+5.4); IR (neat) ν_{max} 3419, 2930, 1677, 1378, 1203, 1054, 997 cm^{−1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, acetone-*d*₆) data, see Table 1; positive HRESIMS m/z 365.1962 [$\text{M} + \text{H}$]⁺ (calcd for C₂₀H₂₉O₆, 365.1964).

Aigialomycin H (2). Colorless solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20.0}$ −13.33 (c 0.03, CH₂Cl₂); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 212 (4.40), 268 (4.17), 303 (3.89) nm; IR (neat) ν_{max} 2926, 1681, 1380, 1210, 1058, 1034, 706 cm^{−1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) data, see Table 2; positive HRESIMS m/z 383.1704 [$\text{M} + \text{H}$]⁺ (calcd for C₁₉H₂₇O₈, 383.1706).

Aigialomycin I (3). Colorless solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20.0}$ −1.54 (c 0.12, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ = 1 : 1); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 220 (4.59), 264 (4.28), 305 (4.01) nm; CD (c 5.5 $\times$ 10^{−4} M, MeOH) λ_{max} ($\Delta\epsilon$) 212 (+3.4), 264 (−1.7), 307 (−0.3); IR (neat) ν_{max} 3418, 1647, 1613, 1357, 1318, 1257, 1205, 1160, 1111 cm^{−1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) data, see Table 3; positive HRESIMS m/z 367.1757 [$\text{M} + \text{H}$]⁺ (calcd for C₁₉H₂₇O₇, 367.1757).

Paecilomycin N (4). White powder; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20.0}$ −15.29 (c 0.34, CH₂Cl₂); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 220 (4.63), 263 (4.34), 303 (3.99) nm; CD (c 5.5 $\times$ 10^{−4} M, MeOH) λ_{max} ($\Delta\epsilon$) 222 (+4.2), 260 (−1.2), 308 (−1.3); IR (neat) ν_{max} 3393, 1645, 1613, 1254, 1160, 1037 cm^{−1}; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) data, see Table 3; positive HRESIMS m/z 365.1601 [$\text{M} + \text{H}$]⁺ (calcd for C₁₉H₂₅O₇, 365.1600).

4*R*,5'*R*-Dihydroaigialospirol (5). Colorless solid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20.0}$ +14.19 (c 0.08, CH₂Cl₂); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 212 (4.47),

256 (4.21), 291 (3.80) nm; CD (c 8.0×10^{-4} M, MeOH) $\lambda_{\max}$ ($\Delta\epsilon$) 216 (−1.7), 240 (+1.4), 282 (−4.1); IR (neat) $\nu_{\max}$ 3420, 1742, 1613, 1217, 1157, 1069 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) and ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) data, see Table 3; HRESIMS m/z 381.1547 $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_8$, 381.1549).

Compound 14. Colorless solid; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 6.51 (1H, d, $J = 2.4$, H-3), 6.48 (1H, d, $J = 2.4$, H-5), 5.44 (2H, m, H-9', H-10'), 5.05 (1H, d, $J = 10.6$, H-1'), 4.45 (1H, td, $J = 10.6$, 5.6, H-2'), 3.90 (1H, m, H-4'), 3.87 (1H, m, H-6'), 3.83 (3H, s, 4-OCH₃), 3.56 (1H, t, $J = 7.1$, H-5'), 2.30 (1H, dd, $J = 12.8$, 5.5, H-3' α), 2.11 (1H, m, H-8'), 2.02 (1H, m, H-8'), 1.72 (1H, m, H-7'), 1.66 (1H, m, H-3' β), 1.61 (3H, d, $J = 2.1$, H-11'), 1.54 (1H, m, H-7'), 1.42 (3H, s, H-1''), 1.39 (3H, s, H-2''), 1.33 (3H, s, H-1'''), 1.32 (3H, s, H-2'''), ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$) δ 167.9 (C, C-12), 166.0 (C, C-4), 163.4 (C, C-2), 143.8 (C, C-6), 130.8 (CH, C-9'), 124.9 (CH, C-10'), 108.2 (C, C-3'''), 103.8 (CH, C-5), 101.7 (C, C-3''), 99.8 (C, C-1), 99.7 (CH, C-3), 81.6 (CH, C-5'), 78.4 (CH, C-2'), 78.0 (CH, C-4'), 67.9 (CH, C-6'), 66.8 (CH, C-1'), 55.9 (CH₃, 4-OCH₃), 36.8 (CH₂, C-7'), 33.9 (CH₂, C-3'), 28.7 (CH₂, C-8'), 27.4 (CH₃, C-1'''), 27.0 (CH₃, C-2'''), 24.5 (CH₃, C-1''), 24.5 (CH₃, C-2''), 17.8 (CH₃, C-11'). Positive HRESIMS m/z 463.2335 $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ (calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{35}\text{O}_8$, 463.2332).

Synthesis of the acetone derivative 14

Compound 14 was synthesized from compound 2 by using a published method.¹¹ To a suspension of 2 (2.0 mg) in 2,2-dimethoxypropane (0.5 mL) was added TsOH (0.5 mg). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h, then reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc and washed with saturated NaHCO_3 . The organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure to leave a colorless solid, which was purified by RP-HPLC using $\text{MeOH}-\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (95 : 5) to afford 14 (1.0 mg).

Determination of the absolute configuration at 5',6'-diol moiety by Sznatzke's method

A sample of 3 (0.5 mg) was dissolved in a dry stock solution of the dimolybdenum tetraacetate $[\text{Mo}_2(\text{OAc})_4]$ (0.7 mg) in DMSO (1 mL) and the CD spectrum was recorded immediately after mixing. The CD spectrum was recorded every 10 min until a stationary spectrum was reached (30 min after mixing). The inherent CD from 3 was subtracted to give the induced CD of the complex. The observed sign of the diagnostic band at 318 nm (band IV) was correlated to the absolute configuration at 5',6'-diol moiety.

Cytotoxicity

The cytotoxicities of compounds 1–13 against the K562, A549 and H460 cell lines were investigated by using the MTT method as previously reported.²²

Conflicts of interest

There are no conflicts to declare.

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