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New phenol and chromone derivatives from the endolichenic fungus *Daldinia* species and their antiviral activities†

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Three new phenolic metabolites, daldispols A–C (1–3), two new chromone derivatives, (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (9) and (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-propyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (10), together with five known phenolic compounds (4–8) and two known chromone compounds (11 and 12) were isolated from the endolichenic fungus *Daldinia* sp. CPCC 400770. Their structures were elucidated on the basis of spectroscopic methods, electronic circular dichroism (ECD), and comparison with reported data. Compounds 1, 3, 4, 9, and 11 exhibited significant anti-influenza A virus (IAV) activities with IC_{50} values of 12.7, 6.4, 12.5, 16.1, and 9.0 μ M, respectively, and compound 8 displayed significant anti-ZIKV activity with inhibitory ratio of 42.7% at 10 μ M. The results demonstrated that the fungus *Daldinia* sp. CPCC 400770 might be a rich source for discovering anti-IAV secondary metabolites as potential novel leading compounds.

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Introduction

Endolichenic fungi, inhabiting asymptotically in the thalli of lichen, have been demonstrated to be a valuable source for the discovery of novel and bioactive natural products, and have attracted considerable attention from chemists and biologists.^{1–5} In recent years, a variety of secondary metabolites with impressive biological activities have been reported in endolichenic fungi.^{6–12} The fungus *Daldinia* species was widely distributed around the world, and a total of 47 taxa in *Daldinia* were recognized by 2014,¹³ however, only a limited number of secondary metabolites were reported from endolichenic fungus *Daldinia* species found in lichen.^{14–16} The fungus *Daldinia* sp. CPCC 400770 was isolated from lichen, collected from Yunnan province, China, and the crude extract of this strain showed antiviral and antibacterial activities in preliminary bioactive assays. Our prior work on endolichenic fungi *Daldinia* sp. CPCC 400770 afforded two new cyclopentenones, daldispols A and B, which showed significant anti-influenza A virus and moderate antibacterial activities.¹⁷ In our continuing search for various bioactive secondary metabolites from this fungus, its

extract was further investigated, which led to the isolation of five new compounds, including three phenols, daldispols A–C (1–3), two chromones, (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (9) and (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-propyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (10), along with five known phenolic compounds (4–8) and two known chromone compounds (11 and 12) (Fig. 1). Details of the isolation, structure elucidation, and biological activities of these metabolites are reported herein.

Results and discussion

Compound 1 was isolated as a colourless oil, and the molecular formula was established to be $C_{12}H_{16}O_4$ by HRESIMS with m/z 247.0930 [$M + Na$]⁺ (calcd 247.0946). The ¹H NMR spectrum (Table 1) of 1 displayed the presence of AA'BB' system aromatic protons at δ_H 7.03 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz) and 6.67 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), two pair of *ortho*-coupled methylenes at δ_H 4.14 (2H, td, $J = 12.6$, 1.8 Hz) and 2.75 (2H, t, $J = 12.6$), one oxygenated methylene at δ 3.51 (1H, m) and 3.40 (1H, m), one methine at δ_H 2.48 (1H, m), and one methyl at δ_H 0.99 (3H, d, $J = 7.2$ Hz). The ¹³C NMR and DEPT spectra (Table 1) of 1 displayed 12 carbons, including three nonprotonated carbons (δ_C 174.4, 155.8, and 127.9, including one ketone carbonyl and one oxygenated aromatic), five methine carbons (δ_C 129.8, 129.8, 115.1, 115.1, and 42.1, including four aromatic and one aliphatic), three methylene carbons (δ_C 64.6, 63.3, and 33.6, including two oxygenated aliphatic), and one methyl carbons (δ_C 13.5). In the HMBC spectrum (Fig. 2), the cross peaks from H-2 to C-3, C-4, C-6, and C-7, from H-3 to C-1, C-4, and C-5, from H-7 to C-1, C-2, C-6, and

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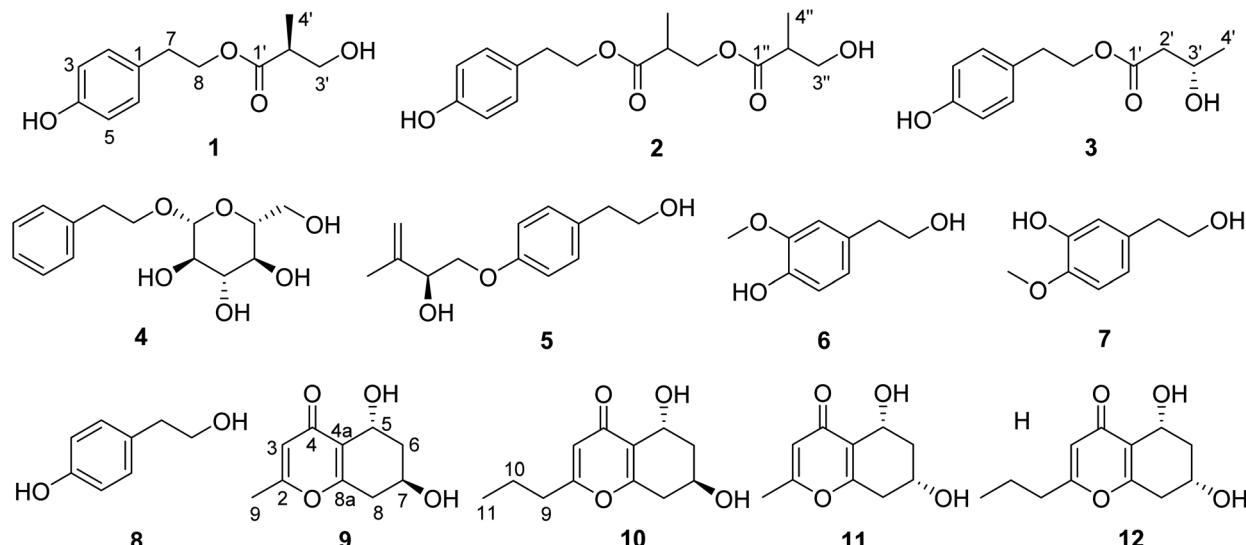


Fig. 1 Structures of compounds 1–12.

C-8, indicated the presence of *p*-hydroxyphenyl ethanol group; the correlations from H-3' to C-1', C-2', and C-4', from H-4' to C-1', C-2', and C-3', along with the with ^1H - ^1H COSY correlations (Fig. 2) of H-4'/H-2'/H-3'/3'-OH established the 3-hydroxy-2-methylpropionic acid substituent. Furthermore, the critical HMBC correlations from H-8 to C-1' determined the location of 3-hydroxy-2-methylpropionic acid group. The chiral center (C-2') was far from chromophore group, and have no effect on the ECD spectrum of 1, so the absolute configuration of 1 was not determined by ECD spectrum. Since compound 1 possess only one chiral carbon, its optical rotation can be used as an important evidence to determine the absolute configuration. The specific optical rotation of 1 $[\alpha]_D^{20} +11.3$ (*c* 0.12, MeOH) was

opposite to that reported of (*R*)-3-hydroxy-2-methylpropionic acid ethyl ester $[\alpha]_D^{20} -15.8$ (*c* 1.04, MeOH),¹⁸ which established the *S* configuration of C-2'. Therefore, compound 1 was determined as daldispol A.

Compound 2 was obtained as a colourless oil, and its molecular formula of $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_6$ was determined by the HRE-SIMS peak at m/z 333.1293 $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ (calcd 333.1314). Comparison of ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectroscopic data (Table 1) of 2 with those of 1 indicated that 2 showed the additional presence of one carbonyl (δ_{C} 173.1), one methine [δ_{H} 2.75 (1H, m); δ_{C} 38.9], one oxygenated methylene [δ_{H} 4.10 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 6.6 Hz), 4.07 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 5.4 Hz); δ_{C} 65.3], and one methyl [δ_{H} 1.06 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz); δ_{C} 13.8], constructing another 3-

Table 1 ^1H (600 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz) data of compounds 1–3 in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$

No.	1		2		3	
	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (J in Hz)
1	127.9, C		127.8, C		127.8, C	
2	129.8, CH	7.03, d, (8.4)	129.7, CH	7.02, d, (8.4)	129.7, CH	7.02, d, (8.4)
3	115.1, CH	6.67, d, (8.4)	115.1, CH	6.67, d, (8.4)	115.1, CH	6.67, d, (8.4)
4	155.8, C		155.9, C		155.9, C	
5	115.1, CH	6.67, d, (8.4)	115.1, CH	6.67, d, (8.4)	115.1, CH	6.67, d, (8.4)
6	129.8, CH	7.03, d, (8.4)	129.7, CH	7.02, d, (8.4)	129.7, CH	7.02, d, (8.4)
7	33.6, CH_2	2.75, t, (7.2)	33.5, CH_2	2.76, t, (7.2)	33.6, CH_2	2.75, t, (7.2)
8	64.6, CH_2	4.13, td, (7.2, 1.8)	65.0, CH_2	4.16, t, (7.2)	64.6, CH_2	4.13, t, (7.2)
1'	174.4, C		173.1, C		171.5, C	
2'	42.1, CH	2.48, m	38.4, CH	2.76, m	44.0, CH_2	2.33, dd, (14.4, 7.2) 2.30, dd, (14.4, 6.0)
3'	63.3, CH_2	3.51, m 3.40, m	64.9, CH_2	4.10, dd, (10.8, 6.6) 4.07, dd, (10.8, 5.4)	63.4, CH	3.96, m
4'	13.5, CH_3	0.99, d, (7.2)	13.4, CH_3	1.06, d, (7.2)	23.3, CH_3	1.06, d, (6.0)
1''			174.2, C			
2''			42.0, CH	2.48, m		
3''			63.2, CH_2	3.51, m 3.41, m		
4''			13.4, CH_3	1.00, d, (7.2)		
3''-OH		4.76, t, (6.0)		4.76, t, (6.0)		4.71, br s



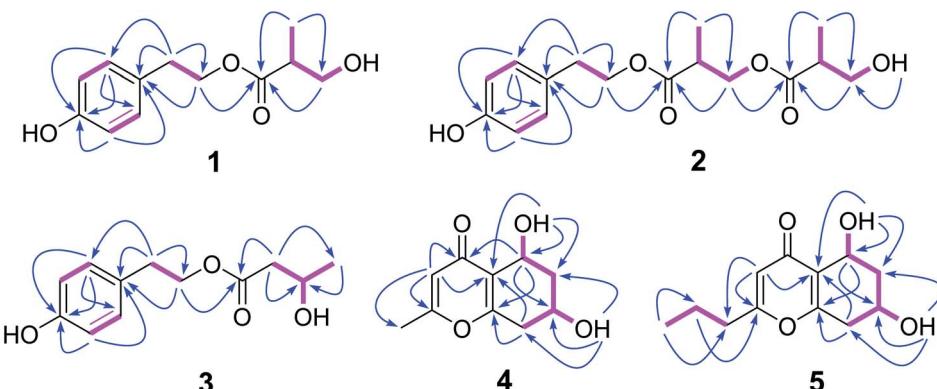


Fig. 2 Key HMBC (arrows) and COSY (bold lines) correlations of compounds 1–5.

Table 2 ^1H (600 MHz) and ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz) data of compounds 9 and 10 in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$

No.	9		10	
	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (J in Hz)	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (J in Hz)
2	165.5, C		168.4, C	
3	113.1, CH	6.10 (1H, s)	112.5, CH	6.09, s
4	177.5, C		177.6, C	
4a	122.2, C		122.4, C	
5	60.0, CH	4.73, dd, (4.2, 4.2, 3.6)	60.0, CH	4.74, ddd, (4.2, 3.6, 3.6)
6	39.2, CH_2	1.89, ddd, (12.6, 3.6, 3.6) 1.52, ddd, (12.6, 10.8, 4.2)	39.4, CH_2	1.89, ddd, (12.6, 3.6, 3.6) 1.53, ddd, (12.6, 10.8, 3.6)
7	61.1, CH	4.14, (m)	61.1, CH	4.13, m
8	36.3, CH_2	2.80, dd, (17.4, 5.4) 2.38, ddd, (17.4, 9.0)	36.3, CH_2	2.80, dd, (17.4, 6.0) 2.39, dd, (17.4, 9.0)
8a	162.6, C		162.7, C	
9	19.2, CH_3	2.22, s	34.4, CH_2	2.46, t, (7.2)
10			19.7, CH_2	1.60, m
11			13.2, CH_3	0.91, t, (7.2)
5-OH		4.84, d, (4.2)		4.84, d, (4.2)
7-OH		5.03, d, (4.2)		5.02, d, (4.8)

hydroxy-2-methylpropanoic acid group, which is further confirmed by with ^1H - ^1H COSY correlations (Fig. 2) of H-4'/H-2'/H-3' and the HMBC correlations (Fig. 2) from H-3' to C-1', C-2', and C-4', from H-4' to C-1', C-2', and C-3'. Moreover, the crucial HMBC for H-8/C-1' and H-3'/C-1'' established the structure of 2. The absolute configuration of 2 was not ascertained. Thus, compound 2 was elucidated as daldispol B.

Compound 3 was isolated as a colourless oil. The molecular formula $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4$ of 3 was established by HR-ESI-MS at m/z 247.0932 [$\text{M} + \text{Na}$] $^+$ (calcd 247.0946), which is the same as that of 1. The general features of ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra (Table 1) of 3 were very similar to those of 1. The obvious differences included the presence of one oxygenated methine [δ_{H} 3.96 (1H, m); δ_{C} 63.4] and one methylene [δ_{H} 2.33 (1H, dd, J = 14.4, 7.2 Hz), 2.30 (1H, dd, J = 14.4, 6.0 Hz); δ_{C} 44.0] in 3 instead of a methine [δ_{H} 2.48 (1H, m); δ_{C} 42.6] and a oxygenated methylene [δ_{H} 3.51 (1H, m), 3.40 (1H, m); δ_{C} 63.7] in 1. In addition, the ^1H - ^1H COSY correlations (Fig. 2) of H-2'/H-3'/H-4' and the HMBC correlations (Fig. 2) from H-2' to C-1', C-3', and C-4', from H-4' to C-2' and C-3' indicated the presence of 3-hydroxybutanoic acid

moiety, and its location was further confirmed by the critical HMBC between H-8 and C-1'. The specific optical rotation of 3 $\{[\alpha]_D^{20} -2.1 (c 0.19, \text{CHCl}_3)\}$ was the similar as that reported of (3*S*)-4-hydroxyphenethyl-3-hydroxy-5-phenylpentanoate $\{[\alpha]_D^{24} -4.7 (c 0.738, \text{CHCl}_3)\}$,¹⁹ indicating the *S* configuration of C-3'. Accordingly, compound 3 was established as daldispol C.

Compound 9 was obtained as a brown oil. HRESIMS data of 9 showed an $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ion at m/z 197.0800 (calcd 197.0814), consistent to the molecular formula $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4$ with five degrees of unsaturation. The ^1H NMR and HSQC spectra (Table 2) of 9 indicated the presence of one olefinic proton at δ_{H} 6.10 (1H, s), two oxygenated methines at δ_{H} 4.73 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 4.2 Hz) and

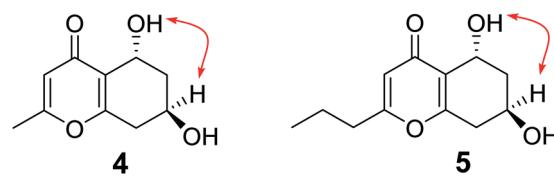


Fig. 3 Key NOE correlations of compounds 9 and 10.



4.14 (1H, m), two methylene at δ_{H} 2.80 (1H, dd, J = 17.4, 5.4 Hz), 2.38 (1H, ddd, J = 17.4, 9.0 Hz), 1.89 (1H, ddd, J = 12.6, 3.6, 3.6 Hz), and 1.52 (1H, ddd, J = 12.6, 10.8, 4.2 Hz), and one methyl at δ_{H} 2.22 (1H, s). The ^{13}C NMR and DEPT spectra (Table 2) showed 10 carbon resonances, which consisted of four non-protonated carbons (δ_{C} 177.5, 165.5, 162.6, and 122.2, including one ketone carbonyl and two oxygenated olefinic), three methine carbons (δ_{C} 113.1, 61.1, and 60.0, including one olefinic and two oxygenated), two methylene carbons (δ_{C} 39.2 and 36.3), and one methyl carbon (δ_{C} 19.2). The HMBC correlations (Fig. 2) from H-3 to C-2, C-4, C-4a, and C-9, from H-5 to C-4, C-4a, C-7, and C-8a, from H-8 to C-4a, C-6, C-7 and C-8a, from 5-OH to C-4a, C-5, and C-6, from 7-OH to C-6, C-7, and C-8, together with the ^1H - ^1H COSY correlations (Fig. 2) of H-5/H-6/H-7/H-8 established the planar structure of **9**, which is the same as known compound, (5*R*,7*S*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**11**).²⁰ In the NOE experiment (Fig. 3), the enhancement of H-7 was not observed when H-5 was irradiated, and irradiation of 5-OH resulted in the enhancement of H-5 and H-7, indicating the opposite side of H-5 and H-7. In the ECD spectrum, the positive Cotton effect around 242 nm was similar to that of known compound **11**, suggesting the 5*R*, 7*R* configurations of **9**. Therefore, the structure of **9** was determined to be (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one.

Compound **10** was isolated as a brown oil, and possessed the molecular formula $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4$ as supported by the HRESIMS ion peak at m/z 225.1111 [$\text{M} + \text{H}$]⁺ (calcd 225.1127). The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectroscopic data (Table 2) of **10** closely resembled those of **9**, except for the presence of additional two methylenes [δ_{H} 2.46 (2H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 1.60 (2H, m); δ_{C} 34.4, 19.7]. The ^1H - ^1H COSY correlations (Fig. 2) of H-9/H-10/H-11 and the HMBC correlations (Fig. 2) from H-11 to C-9 and C-10, from H-9 to C-2, C-3, C-10, and C-11, confirmed the propyl group attached to C-2. Interpretation of its 1D and 2D NMR data established the planar structure of **10**, which is the same as the known compound, (5*R*,7*S*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-propyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**12**).²⁰ The relative configuration was established by the NOESY correlation (Fig. 3) between H-7 and 5-OH. In the ECD spectrum, positive Cotton effect at 241 nm were nearly identical to that of known compound **12**, indicating the 5*R*, 7*R* configurations of **10**. Thus, the structure of **10** was identified as (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-propyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one.

The known metabolites were identified as 2-phenylethyl- β -D-glucopyranoside (**4**),²¹ stachyline C (**5**),²² 3-methoxy-4-hydroxy-phenylethanol (**6**),²³ 3-hydroxy-4-methoxy-phenylethanol (**7**),²⁴ *p*-

Table 3 The anti-IAV activities of **1**, **3**, **4**, **9**, and **11**

Compound	IC_{50} (μM)	CC_{50} (μM)
1	12.7	>100
3	6.4	>100
4	12.5	>100
9	16.1	>100
11	9.0	>100
Ribavirin	21.7	>100

hydroxyphenethyl alcohol (**8**),²⁵ (5*R*,7*S*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**11**),²⁰ (5*R*,7*S*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-propyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**12**)²⁰ by comparison of their NMR and MS data with those reported.

Compounds **1**–**12** were evaluated for anti-influenza A virus (IAV), anti-Zika virus (ZIKV), and antibacterial activities. Compounds **1**, **3**, **4**, **9**, and **11** displayed significant anti-influenza A virus (IAV) activities as shown in Table 3, and compound **8** exhibited anti-ZIKV activity with inhibitory ratio of 42.7% at 10 μM (Table S1†). Compounds **1**–**12** were tested for antibacterial activities against *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 29213 and *Escherichia coli* ATCC 25922. All compounds showed no antibacterial activities against *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 29213 and *Escherichia coli* ATCC 25922 at the concentration of 32 $\mu\text{g ml}^{-1}$.

Conclusions

In conclusion, eight phenol derivatives including three new phenols, daldispols A–C (**1**–**3**), four chromone derivatives including two new ones, (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**9**) and (5*R*,7*R*)-5,7-dihydroxy-2-propyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4*H*-chromen-4-one (**10**) were isolated from endolichenic fungus *Daldinia* sp. CPCC 400770. Their structures were determined by a detailed interpretation of the spectroscopic data and ECD spectra. Compounds **1**, **3**, **4**, **9**, and **11** displayed significant anti-influenza A virus (IAV) activities with IC_{50} values of 12.7, 6.4, 12.5, 16.1, and 9.0 μM , respectively, which were all stronger than the positive control, ribavirin (IC_{50} = 21.7 μM). Compound **8** displayed anti-ZIKV activity with inhibitory ratio of 42.7% at 10 μM , which is similar to positive control (ribavirin). Structure–activity relationship analysis for chromone analogues (**9**–**11**) indicated that the substitution group at C-2 play an important role on anti-IAV activity, and the 7-OH substitution have little effect on anti-IAV activity. Our finding suggested that the genus *Daldinia* might be an important source for antiviral natural products.

Experimental

General experimental procedures

Optical rotations were recorded on an Autopol IV automatic polarimeter with a 10 cm glass microcell at 20 °C (Rudolph Research Analytical, NJ, USA). The CD spectra were measured on a JASCO J-815 spectropolarimeter using CH_3OH as the solvent at room temperature (Jasco Corporation, Tokyo, Japan). UV spectra were obtained in CH_3OH on a Persee TU-1901 UV-Vis spectrometer (Beijing Purkinje General Instrument Co., Ltd., Beijing, China). IR spectra were acquired on a PerkinElmer FT-IR/NIR spectrometer (PerkinElmer, Waltham, MA, USA). 1D and 2D NMR spectra were performed at 600 MHz for ^1H NMR and 150 MHz for ^{13}C NMR on Bruker ARX-600 spectrometer using solvent signals (DMSO-*d*₆: δ_{H} 2.50, δ_{C} 39.5) as the internal standard (Bruker, Switzerland). Chemical shifts (δ) are given in ppm, and coupling constants (J) are given in hertz (Hz). ESIMS data were recorded on a Thermo LTQ mass spectrometer (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA). HRESIMS data were measured using a Thermo LTQ Orbitrap XL mass



spectrometer (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA). Column chromatography (CC) were carried out with silica gel (200–300 mesh, Qingdao Marine Chemical Inc. Qingdao, PR China). Analytical TLC was carried out on pre-coated silica gel GF₂₅₄ plates (Qingdao Marine Chemical Industry, Qingdao, China), and spots were visualized under UV light or by spraying with 10% H₂SO₄ in 90% EtOH followed by heating at 120 °C.

Fungal material

The fungal strain *Daldinia* sp. CPCC 400770 was isolated from lichen, collected in Laojun mountain, Dali Bai autonomous prefecture, Yunnan province, China, in 2012, and identified using morphological and molecular (ITS1-5.8S-ITS2 rRNA gene sequence) analyses by China Pharmaceutical Culture Collection. The strain was deposited at the China Pharmaceutical Culture Collection (no. CPCC 400770), Institute of Medicinal Biotechnology, Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences and Peking Union Medical College.

Fermentation, extraction and isolation

The fungal strain was spread onto slants of modified potato dextrose agar (PDA) medium (potato 200 g, glucose 20 g, distilled water 1 l, KH₂PO₄ 3 g, MgSO₄ 0.73 g, vitamin B₁ 10 mg, agar 8.0 g, pH 6.0–6.3), and incubated at 28 °C for 8–10 days. The agar plugs were inoculated into 250 ml Erlenmeyer flasks containing 50 ml of sterile fermentation medium (glucose 2.0%, corn steep liquor 1.0%, soymeal 0.2%, dextrin 1.0%, peptone 0.5%, (NH₄)₂SO₄ 0.05%, pH 6.0) at 30 °C on a rotary shaker (200 rpm) for 5 days to prepare the seed culture. Fermentation was carried out in Fernbach flasks (500 ml), each containing 80 g of rice. Distilled H₂O (120 ml) was added to each flask, and the contents were soaked overnight before autoclaving at 121 °C for 30 min. After cooling to room temperature, each flask was inoculated with 10 ml of the seed culture, and incubated at 30 °C for 40 days.

The fermented material (35 flasks) was extracted repeatedly with EtOAc (3 × 3 l), and the organic solvent was evaporated to dryness under vacuum to yield the crude extract (51.4 g), which was initially subjected to silica gel column chromatography (CC) eluting with petroleum ether–acetone gradient (95 : 5–0 : 100, v/v) to produce eighteen fractions (Fr.1–Fr.18). Fraction Fr.5 (6.6 g) was isolated by medium pressure liquid chromatography (MPLC) eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O gradient (30 : 70–100 : 0, v/v) to afford 12 fractions (Fr.5.1–Fr.5.12), fraction Fr.5.4 (24 mg) was purified by reversed-phase semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O (30 : 70, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to obtain 5 (5.1 mg). Fraction Fr.6 (2.0 g) was separated via MPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O gradient (10 : 90–100 : 0, v/v) to yield 13 fractions (Fr.6.1–Fr.6.13), fraction Fr.6.4 (210 mg) was further purified by semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃OH–H₂O (20 : 80, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to give 6 (4.2 mg), 7 (5.2 mg), and 8 (8.5 mg), fraction Fr.6.5 (250 mg) was further purified by semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O (20 : 80, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to afford 1 (54 mg) and 3 (5.0 mg), fraction Fr.6.6 (72 mg) was further purified by semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O (30 : 70, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to afford 2 (8.9 mg).

Fraction Fr.9 (600 mg) was isolated via MPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O gradient (10 : 90–100 : 0, v/v) to yield 10 fractions (Fr.9.1–Fr.9.10), fraction Fr.9.2 (28 mg) was further purified by semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O (20 : 80, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to give 12 (2.7 mg). Fraction Fr.10 (300 mg) was isolated by MPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O gradient (10 : 90–100 : 0, v/v) to yield 9 fractions (Fr.10.1–Fr.10.9), fraction Fr.10.1 (5 mg) was further purified by semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O (15 : 85, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to give 10 (3.7 mg). Fraction Fr.11 (150 mg) was purified by reversed-phase semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O gradient (10 : 90–100 : 0, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to obtain 11 (3.0 mg). Fraction Fr.13 (190 mg) was purified by reversed-phase semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃OH–H₂O (10 : 90, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to produce 9 (4.0 mg). Fraction Fr.14 (100 mg) was purified by reversed-phase semi-preparative HPLC eluting with CH₃CN–H₂O (15 : 85, v/v) at 4 ml min^{−1} to yield 4 (4.1 mg).

Daldispol A (1). Brown oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} +11.3$ (c 0.12, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ): 227 (3.05), 278 (0.88) nm; IR (ν_{max}): 3366, 2975, 1710, 1615, 1516, 1458, 1230, 1187, 1172, 1031, and 828 cm^{−1}; ESIMS m/z 225.1 [M + H]⁺; HRESIMS m/z 247.0930 [M + Na]⁺ (calcd for C₁₂H₁₆O₄Na, 247.0946); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 1.

Daldispol B (2). Brown oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} +27.0$ (c 0.15, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ): 212 (3.56), 227 (3.99), 278 (1.61) nm; IR (ν_{max}): 3395, 2975, 1716, 1615, 1517, 1462, 1186, 1035, and 827 cm^{−1}; ESIMS m/z 311.2 [M + H]⁺; HRESIMS m/z 333.1293 [M + Na]⁺ (calcd for C₁₆H₂₂O₆Na, 333.1314); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 1.

Daldispol C (3). Brown oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} -2.1$ (c 0.19, CHCl₃); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ): 214 (3.35), 227 (3.73), 278 (1.47) nm; IR (ν_{max}): 3346, 2971, 1716, 1615, 1516, 1450, 1235, 1173, 1066, and 832 cm^{−1}; ESIMS m/z 225.1 [M + H]⁺; HRESIMS m/z 247.0932 [M + H]⁺ (calcd for C₁₂H₁₆O₄Na, 247.0946); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 1.

(5R,7R)-5,7-Dihydroxy-2-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-chromen-4-one (9). Brown oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} -25$ (c 0.08, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ): 214 (2.19), 247 (2.70) nm; IR (ν_{max}): 3364, 2959, 1659, 1579, 1430, 1343, 1262, 1086, 1060, 1031, 951, 872, and 799 cm^{−1}; CD (MeOH) $\Delta\epsilon$ (nm): +3.40 (242), −0.74 (293.5); ESIMS m/z 197.1 [M + H]⁺; HRESIMS m/z 197.0800 [M + H]⁺ (calcd for C₁₀H₁₃O₄, 197.0814); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 2.

(5R,7R)-5,7-Dihydroxy-2-propyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-chromen-4-one (10). Brown oil; $[\alpha]_D^{20} -3.8$ (c 0.08, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ): 208 (1.32), 248 (0.41) nm; IR (ν_{max}): 3335, 2960, 2925, 1732, 1659, 1596, 1444, 1262, 1075, 1032, and 802 cm^{−1}; CD (MeOH) $\Delta\epsilon$ (nm): +0.44 (241); ESIMS m/z 225.1 [M + H]⁺; HRESIMS m/z 225.1111 [M + H]⁺ (calcd for C₁₂H₁₇O₄, 225.1127); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 2.

Anti-IAV activity assays²⁶

293T-Gluc cells (5 × 10⁵ cells per ml) were seeded in the wells of 96-well plate at 100 µl per well. After an 24 h incubation at 37 °C and 5% CO₂, cells were cultured to 90% confluence. For evaluation assay of antivirals, 1 µl of each tested compound (DMSO



and ribavirin were used as negative and positive controls, respectively) was added to cells and incubated for 2 h prior to infection, after which cells were infected with influenza A/H1N1/WSN/33 virus at an MOI of 0.05. After a further incubation for 24 h at 37 °C, the cell supernatant was collected and measured for Gluc activity.

Anti-ZIKV activity assays²⁷

Cell viability was assessed by Cell Counting Kit-8 (CCK-8; Beyotime). Typically, 8×10^4 cells per ml Vero E6 cells were seeded per well and grown for 24 h. The compound was added to the cells, after which cells were infected with ZIKV at multiplicity of infection (MOI) of 0.05. Ribavirin and DMSO were used as positive and negative controls, respectively. After incubation at 37 °C for 96 h, the supernatants were replaced with 110 µl fresh medium containing 10 µl CCK-8 reagent. After incubation for 1.5 h at 37 °C with 5% CO₂, the absorbance at 450 nm was subsequently measured using EnSpire 2300 Multilable Reader.

Antibacterial activity assays²⁸

The minimal inhibitory concentrations (MICs) of the isolated compounds were determined by the broth microdilution method in 96-well culture plates according to Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute. Organisms used in this study included strains from ATCC collection, and levofloxacin was used as positive control. The final concentrations of compounds ranged from 0.125 to 32 µg ml⁻¹. Culture plates were incubated at 37 °C for 18 h. The MICs were defined as the lowest concentration that prevented visible growth of the bacteria.

Conflicts of interest

There are no conflicts to declare.

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