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### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

| $\left[\alpha\right]^{25}$ D        | =   | Specific Rotation at 25°C and Sodium D line (589 nm)             |
|-------------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| br                                  | =   | Broad (for NMR spectral data)                                    |
| c                                   | =   | Concentration                                                    |
| calcd.                              | =   | Calculated                                                       |
| °C                                  | =   | Degree Celsius                                                   |
| CDCl <sub>3</sub>                   | =   | Deuterated chloroform                                            |
| CHCl <sub>3</sub>                   | =   | Chloroform                                                       |
| cm                                  | =   | Centimeter                                                       |
| <sup>13</sup> C NMR                 | =   | Carbon-13 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance                             |
| <sup>1</sup> H- <sup>1</sup> H COSY | =   | Homonuclear (Proton-Proton) Correlation Spectroscopy             |
| 2D                                  | =   | Two Dimensional                                                  |
| d                                   | =   | doublet (for NMR spectral data)                                  |
| dd                                  | =   | doublet of doublets (for NMR spectral data)                      |
| ddd                                 | =   | doublet of doublets of doublets (for NMR spectral data)          |
| dt                                  | =   | doublet of triplets (for NMR spectral data)                      |
| DEPT                                | =   | Distortionless Enhancement by Polarization Transfer              |
| 3                                   | =   | Molar Absorptivity                                               |
| δ                                   | =   | Chemical Shift                                                   |
| EIMS                                | Ē   | Electron Impact Mass Specrtroscopy                               |
| EtOAc                               | =   | Ethyl acetate                                                    |
| enh.                                | =   | Enhanced (for NOE difference spectral data)                      |
| g                                   |     | Gram                                                             |
| <sup>1</sup> H NMR                  | =   | Proton Nuclear Magnetic Resonance                                |
| HMBC                                | =   | <sup>1</sup> H-detected Heteronuclear Multiple Bond Coherence    |
| HMQC                                | -11 | <sup>1</sup> H-detected Heteronuclear Multiple Quantum Coherence |
| Hz                                  | =   | Hertz                                                            |
| IR                                  | =   | Infrared                                                         |
| irr.                                | =   | Irradiated (for NOE difference spectral data)                    |
| J                                   | =   | Coupling Constant                                                |
| KBr                                 | =   | Potassium bromide                                                |
| kg                                  | =   | Kilogram                                                         |
| L                                   | =   | Liter                                                            |

| $\lambda_{max}$ | =   | Wavelength at Maximal Absorption            |
|-----------------|-----|---------------------------------------------|
| m               | =   | Multiplet (for NMR spectral data)           |
| МеОН            | =   | Methanol                                    |
| mg              | =   | Milligram                                   |
| ml              | =   | Milliliter                                  |
| mm              | =   | Milimeter                                   |
| MS              | =   | Mass Spectroscopy                           |
| m/z             | =   | mass-to-charge ratio                        |
| $M^+$           | =   | Molecular Ion                               |
| No.             | =   | Number                                      |
| nm              | =   | Nanometer                                   |
| NMR             | =   | Nuclear Magnetic Resonance                  |
| NOE             | =   | Nuclear Overhauser Effect                   |
| ppm             | =   | part per million                            |
| $v_{max}$       | =   | Wave number at maximal absorption           |
| S               | =   | Singlet (for NMR spectral data)             |
| t               | =   | Triplet (for NMR spectral data)             |
| td              | = / | Triplet of doublets (for NMR spectral data) |
| tt              | =   | Triplet of Triplets (for NMR spectral data) |
| TLC             | =   | Thin Layer Chromatography                   |
| UV-VIS          | 4   | Ultraviolet and Visible Spectrophotometry   |

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## CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

The genus *Melodorum* belongs to the family Annonaceae distributed in Indo-China and Australia. In 1790 the first manifestation of the type of this genus had been proposed by Loureiro (Loureiro, 1790). The generic name *Melodorum* had two authorities, Dunal and Loureiro (Merrill, 1919). Thereafter, Griff had converted Dunal's *Melodorum* into the genus *Fissistigma* Griff. According to the Index Kewensis, ninety-three species of the genus *Melodorum* have been identified (Taylor, 1959). Nowadays, only fourteen species remain in this generic name while the rest have switched to the genera *Fissistigma, Sphaerocoryne, Mitrella, Mitrephora, Xylopia, Anaxagorea, Melogyne, Papualthia, Cyathocalyx, Richella,* and *Pyramidanthe* (Kessler, 1994). In Thailand, two species of the genus *Melodorum* have been recorded (Smitinand, 1980; Kessler, 1994). They are as follows:

Melodorum fruticosum Lour., Fl. Cochinchinensis 351 (1790)

Common name: ลำดวน Lamduan (Central), หอมนวล Hom nuan (Northern)

 Synonym: Melodorum schefferi Finet & Gagnep., Bull. Soc. Fr. 53:134 (1906)
 Uvaria godefroyana var. nervosa Finet & Gagnep., Lecomte Fl. Gen. Indochine 1:56 (1907)
 Rauwenhoffia siamensis auct non Scheffer, Hembert Suppl. Fl. Gen. Indochine 1:104 (1938)

Melodorum siamensis (Scheff.) Tien Ban, Bot. Zhurn. 59:241 (1974) Common name: นมแมว Nom maeo

Synonym: *Rauwenhoffia siamensis* Scheffer, Ann. Jard. Bot. Buitenz. 2:23 (1885) ?*Uvaria godefroyana* Finet & Gagnep., Bull. Soc. Bot. Fr. 53:71 (1906)

Melodorum fruticosum Lour. is a shrub reaching 3-6 m in height. Young twigs slender, glabrous, black, finely striate. Leaves membranous, oblong-lanceolate, acute or acuminate, base slightly cuneata, grabrous, shining above, glaucous beneath; main nerves 14-18 pairs, fine, the secondary quite as well as marked; reticulations rather lax, fine on both surfaces; length 9-12 cm; breadth 3.5-4.5 cm; petiole 5-7 mm long; pale brown beneath in herbarium material. Flower solitary, axillary or terminal. Pedicels 2 cm long, thickened below calyx, 3-3.5 cm long, lengthening in fruit, bearing 2-3 minute bracts at base and another slightly below the middle. Sepals broadly triangular, connate 3-4 mm long, puberulous or glabrous outside, glabrous inside. Petals coriaceous, nearly orbicular, acute with broad base, tomentose outside, puberulous inside except the base, concave inside; outer about 1 cm long and 1.1 cm broad, the inner slightly smaller, thicker and more concave. Stamens 2 mm long, connectives flat-topped, pollen grains large, visible under a lens. Torus depressed in centre. Ovaries 2 mm long, elongate, tomentose, with short style, grooved on the inner side from the stigmatic portion downwards, stigma small, not thickened, expanded or extinct from style. Fruits violet, ripe carpels ovoid, slightly apiculate, glabrous, 8 mm long and 7 mm in diameter; stalks slender, glabrous, 1.8-2.5 cm long. Seeds 1,7 cm long and 5 mm in diameter, occasionally 2, pale brown, smooth, and shining. Distribution in South-East Asia (Merrill, 1919).

With regard to ethnopharmacology of *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour., the flowers have been used as a component of the Thai traditional medicine recipe' known as "Gaesorn Thung Gao" (เกสรทั้งเก้า) which are used as tonic stimulant and mild cardiotonic. Furthermore, its flowers are used as hematinic, and its heartwood is used as dye (Saralamp, 1992).

Previous phytochemical works on *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour. showed that the abundant metabolites of this plant were heptene derivatives (heptadienes). These Heptadienes (Heptenes) have a benzoyl moiety conjugated with a seven-carbon dienone or lactone terminal which appears to arise from a heptose or the equivalents. Heptadiene derivatives were first described by Jung *et al.* (1990a). Up to the present, thirteen heptenes have been obtained from the bark, leaves, branches, and flowers of this plant. Some of these compounds have shown cytotoxic activity against human tumor cell lines (Jung *et al.*, 1990a; Jung *et al.*, 1990b; Jung *et al.*, 1991; Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991; Tiyaworanan, 1998). As for the root and seeds of this plant, no phytochemical study has been reported.

The main objectives of this investigation are as follows:

- To isolate and purify compounds from the root and seeds of *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour.
- 2. To determine the chemical structure of each isolated compound.



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Figure 1. Melodorum fruticosum Lour.

## CHAPTER II HISTORICAL

Phytochemical studies on the genus *Melodorum* have been done, only on *M*. *fruticosum* Lour. The chemical constituents can be classified as flavonoids, triterpenoids, aromatic compounds, and heptenes (heptadienes), which are presented in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Chemical constituents of *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour.

| Chemical Compound                                                                              | Plant Part                  | Reference                                                  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Flavonoids                                                                                     | hort                        | lung at $al = 1000$                                        |
| • Dicnamaneun [1]                                                                              | Dark                        | Jung <i>et al.</i> , 1990                                  |
| • Pinocembrin [ <b>2</b> ]                                                                     | bark<br>leaves, branches    | Jung <i>et al.</i> , 1990<br>Tuchinda <i>et al.</i> , 1991 |
| • Chrysin [ <b>3</b> ]                                                                         | leaves, branches<br>flowers | Jung <i>et al.</i> , 1990<br>Tiyaworanan, 1998             |
| • 5,7-Dimethoxyflavone [4]                                                                     | flowers                     | Tiyaworanan, 1998                                          |
| <ul> <li>Triterpenoids</li> <li>Lanosta-7,9(11),24-trien-3β,15α-ol (polycarpol) [5]</li> </ul> | bark                        | Jung <i>et al.</i> , 1990                                  |
| • Stigmasterol [6]                                                                             | bark                        | Jung et al., 1990                                          |
| • $\beta$ -Sitosterol [7]                                                                      | bark                        | Jung <i>et al.</i> , 1990                                  |
| <ul><li>Aromatic compounds</li><li>Benzoic acid [8]</li></ul>                                  | leaves, branches            | Tuchinda <i>et al.</i> , 1991                              |
| • Benzylbenzoate [9]                                                                           | bark                        | Jung et al., 1990                                          |

| Chemical Compounds                                                             | Plant Part        | Reference                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Heptenes (Heptadienes)                                                         |                   |                               |
| • (4 <i>Z</i> )-7-Benzoyloxy-6-hydroxy-2,4-                                    | bark              | Tuchinda <i>et al.</i> , 1991 |
| heptadien-4-olide                                                              | leaves, branches  | Jung et al., 1991             |
| (melodorinol) [10]                                                             | ha.               |                               |
| • (4 <i>E</i> )-7-Benzoyloxy-6-hydroxy-2,4-<br>heptadien-4-olide [11]          | leaves, branches  | Tuchinda <i>et al.</i> , 1991 |
| • (4Z)-7-Benzovloxy-6-acetoxy-2 4-                                             | bark              | Jung <i>et al.</i> , 1990     |
| heptadien-4-olide                                                              | leaves, branches, | Tuchinda <i>et al.</i> , 1991 |
| (acetylmelodorinol) [12]                                                       | flowers           | Tiyaworanan, 1998             |
| • (4 <i>E</i> )-7-Benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4-<br>heptadien-4-olide [ <b>13</b> ] | leaves, branches  | Tuchinda <i>et al.</i> , 1991 |
| • (4 <i>Z</i> )-6-Benzoyloxy-7-hydroxy-2,4-<br>heptadien-4-olide [14]          | leaves, branches  | Tuchinda <i>et al.</i> , 1991 |
| • (2 <i>E</i> ,5 <i>E</i> )-7-Benzoyloxy-1-methoxy-                            |                   |                               |
| 2,5-heptadien-1,4-dione                                                        | bark              | Jung et al., 1990             |
| (melodienone) [15]                                                             | 9                 |                               |
| • (2E,5E)-7-Benzoyloxy-1-ethoxy-2,5-                                           | <u> </u>          |                               |
| heptadien-1,4-dione                                                            | bark              | Jung et al., 1991             |
| (homomelodienone) [16]                                                         |                   |                               |
| • (2Z,5E)-7-Benzoyloxy-1-methoxy-                                              | 819157775         |                               |
| 2,5-heptadien-1,4-dione                                                        | bark              | Jung et al., 1990             |
| (isomelodienone) [17]                                                          | เหาวิทย           | าลย                           |
| • (2Z,5E)-7-Benzoyloxy-1-ethoxy-2,5-                                           |                   |                               |
| heptadien-1,4-dione                                                            |                   | Jung et al., 1991             |
| (homoisomelodienone) [18]                                                      | bark              |                               |
| • (E)-7-Benzoyloxy-6-hydroxy-1-                                                |                   |                               |
| methoxy-2-heptadien-1,4-dione                                                  |                   |                               |
| (6-hydroxy-5-                                                                  | bark              | Jung et al., 1991             |
| hydromelodienone) [19]                                                         |                   |                               |

**Table 1.** Chemical constituents of *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour. (continued)

 Table 1. : Chemical constituents of Melodorum fruticosum Lour. (continued)

| Chemical Compounds                            | Plant Part | Reference         |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Heptenes (Heptadienes)                        |            |                   |
| • (4 <i>Z</i> )-7-Benzoyloxy-2,4-heptadien-6- | flowers    | Tiyaworanan, 1998 |
| one-4-olide                                   |            |                   |
| (melodorinone A) [20]                         |            |                   |
| • (4 <i>E</i> )-7-Benzoyloxy-2,4-heptadien-6- |            |                   |
| one-4-olide                                   | flowers    | Tiyaworanan, 1998 |
| (melodorinone B) [21]                         |            |                   |
| • (E)-7-Benzoyloxy-4-hydroxy-1-               |            |                   |
| methoxy-2,4-heptadien-1,6-dione               | flowers    | Tiyaworanan, 1998 |
| (tautomelodorinone) [22]                      |            |                   |





Figure 2. : Structures of chemical components of Melodorum fruticosum





(4Z)-7-Benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide

(acetylmelodorinol) [12]



(4*E*)-7-Benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide [13]





(4Z)-6-Benzoyloxy-7-hydroxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide [14]



(2*E*,5*E*)-7-Benzoyloxy-1-methoxy-2,5-heptadien-1,4-dione (melodienone) [**15**]



(2*E*,5*E*)-7-Benzoyloxy-1-ethoxy-2,5-heptadien-1,4-dione (homomelodienone) [**16**]



(2Z,5E)-7-Benzoyloxy-1-methoxy-2,5-heptadien-1,4-dione (isomelodienone) [17]



(2*Z*,5*E*)-7-Benzoyloxy-1-ethoxy-2,5-heptadien-1,4-dione (homoisomelodienone) [**18**]





(*E*)-7-Benzoyloxy-6-hydroxy-1-methoxy-2-heptadien-1,4-dione (6-hydroxy-5-hydromelodienone) [**19**]



(4Z)-7-Benzoyloxy-2,4-heptadien-6-one-4-olide

(melodorinone A) [20]



(4*E*)-7-Benzoyloxy-2,4-heptadien-6-one-4-olide (melodorinone B) [**21**]



(*E*)-7-Benzoyloxy-4-hydroxy-1-methoxy-2,4-heptadien-1,6-dione (tautomelodorinone) [**22**]

Figure 2. : Structures of chemical components of *Melodorum fruticosum* (continued)

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| f Melodorum   |
| components of |
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| Bioactivity   |
| Table 2.      |

| 10                                                                              | Brine shrimp                         | Potato                |                    |                   |                    | Cyte               | otoxiciti         | ies (ED <sub>50</sub> | in µg/ml       |                   |                   |                  |                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Compound                                                                        | LC <sub>50</sub> in ppm <sup>1</sup> | disc <sup>2</sup>     | A-549              | KB                | HT-29              | MCF-7              | Sd-6              | SK-<br>MEL-5          | Melme<br>-3M   | Mel2              | P-388             | ΗT               | Vero             |
| • Dichamanetin [1]                                                              | $3(1/6)^{a}$                         | 50/70 <sup>a</sup>    | >10 <sup>a</sup>   | 5.38 <sup>a</sup> | 5.1 <sup>a</sup>   |                    |                   |                       |                |                   |                   |                  | •                |
| Pinocembrin [2]                                                                 | 12 (8/20) <sup>a</sup>               | 20/90 <sup>a</sup>    | >10 <sup>a</sup>   | >10 <sup>a</sup>  | >10 <sup>a</sup>   |                    | 7.53 <sup>a</sup> | ı                     |                | ı                 | ı                 |                  | ı                |
| • polycarpol [5]                                                                | 254 (153/448) <sup>a</sup>           | -180/-70 <sup>a</sup> | 0.545 <sup>a</sup> | ı                 | 0.127 <sup>a</sup> | 0.222 <sup>a</sup> | 1                 | -                     | ı              | ı                 | ı                 |                  | ı                |
| • Stigmasterol [6] & BSitosterol [7]                                            | 110 (51/181) <sup>a</sup>            | -10 <sup>a</sup>      | 15.13 <sup>a</sup> | 1                 | 8.1 <sup>a</sup>   | 14.84 <sup>a</sup> | 1                 | 1                     |                | ı                 | ı                 |                  | ı                |
| Benzylbenzoate [9]                                                              | 2 (1/3) <sup>a</sup>                 | -110/30 <sup>a</sup>  | >10 <sup>a</sup>   | >10 <sup>a</sup>  | >10 <sup>a</sup>   | •                  | >10 <sup>a</sup>  | 1                     |                | I                 | ı                 | ı                |                  |
| Intra-                                                                          |                                      |                       | 5.89 <sup>c</sup>  |                   | 2.87°              | 1.99°              |                   | 3.75°                 | 3.32°          |                   |                   |                  |                  |
|                                                                                 | <u>,</u>                             |                       | <sup>p</sup> 6'L   | 2.3 <sup>d</sup>  | 2.6 <sup>d</sup>   | 2.4 <sup>d</sup>   | •                 |                       |                | 0.75 <sup>d</sup> | 0.35 <sup>d</sup> | 2.2 <sup>d</sup> |                  |
| • (4E)- Melodorinol [11]                                                        | 9                                    | 1                     | 2.6 <sup>d</sup>   | 2.0 <sup>d</sup>  | 1.7 <sup>d</sup>   | 2.7 <sup>d</sup>   |                   |                       |                | 0.92 <sup>d</sup> | 0.36 <sup>d</sup> | 3.7 <sup>d</sup> |                  |
|                                                                                 |                                      |                       | 2.89°              |                   | 1.96°              | 2.38°              |                   | 4.21 <sup>°</sup>     | 2.74 °         |                   |                   |                  |                  |
| • (4Z)- Acetylmelodorinol [12]                                                  | 246 (163/383) <sup>b</sup>           | •                     | 2.74 <sup>b</sup>  | 14                | 0.304 <sup>b</sup> | 0.408 <sup>b</sup> | ı                 |                       |                | '                 |                   |                  | ı                |
| ĵ                                                                               |                                      |                       | 2.2 <sup>d</sup>   | 1.2 <sup>d</sup>  | 1.3 <sup>d</sup>   | 2.2 <sup>d</sup>   |                   |                       |                |                   | 0.08 <sup>d</sup> | 1.8 <sup>d</sup> |                  |
| • (4E)- Acetylmelodorinol [13]                                                  | 5                                    | •                     | 1.1 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.49 <sup>d</sup> | 2.0 <sup>d</sup>   | 2.2 <sup>d</sup>   |                   |                       | -              | 1.6 <sup>d</sup>  | 0.14 <sup>d</sup> | 1.7 <sup>d</sup> |                  |
| <ul> <li>(4Z)-6-Benzoyloxy-7-hydroxy-2,4-<br/>heptadien-4-olide [14]</li> </ul> | ก่า                                  | -                     | 2.5 <sup>d</sup>   | 2.6 <sup>d</sup>  | 2.4 <sup>d</sup>   | 3.9 <sup>d</sup>   | 1                 | 1                     | ı              | 0.58 <sup>d</sup> | 0.33 <sup>d</sup> | 2.0 <sup>d</sup> | ı                |
| Melodienone[15]                                                                 | 24 (15/37) <sup>b</sup>              |                       | 8.92 <sup>b</sup>  | ı                 | 3.85 <sup>b</sup>  | 4.43 <sup>b</sup>  |                   |                       |                |                   | ı                 |                  |                  |
| Homomelodienone [16]                                                            | j.                                   | ı                     | 36.91°             | I                 | 25.61 °            | 37.88°             | ı                 | I                     | ı              | ı                 | ı                 |                  | ı                |
| • Isomelodienone [17]                                                           | 10 (3/19) <sup>b</sup>               |                       | 1.69 <sup>b</sup>  | I                 | 0.514 <sup>b</sup> | 0.171 <sup>b</sup> | ı                 | ŗ                     |                |                   |                   |                  | ı                |
| Homoisomelodienone [18]                                                         |                                      |                       | 6.70°              | ı                 | 4.26°              | 36.32°             | 1                 |                       |                |                   | ı                 |                  | •                |
| • 6-Hydroxy-5-hydromelodienone[19]                                              |                                      |                       | 3.28°              |                   | 1.92°              | 0.253°             | ı                 | $1.04^{\circ}$        | $1.10^{\circ}$ |                   | ı                 | ,                | •                |
| Melodorinone A [20]                                                             |                                      |                       |                    | >20 <sup>e</sup>  |                    | 5.0°               | ı                 |                       |                | ,                 | 4.54 <sup>e</sup> | 1                | 15 <sup>e</sup>  |
| Melodorinone B [21]                                                             |                                      |                       | 1                  | >20 °             |                    | >20°               | ı                 | ı                     |                |                   | ı                 | ,                | 5 <sup>e</sup>   |
| • Tautomelodorinone [22]                                                        | ı                                    |                       | ı                  | >20 <sup>e</sup>  |                    | 7.5 °              | ı                 | I                     | ı              | ı                 | 0.60 <sup>e</sup> | 1                | 7.5 <sup>e</sup> |

<sup>1</sup> 95% confidence interval in parentheses.

<sup>2</sup> % inhibition, (-) values indicate tumour promoting effects.

<sup>a</sup> Jung *et al.*, 1990b

<sup>b</sup> Jung et al., 1990a

<sup>c</sup> Jung *et al.*, 1991

<sup>d</sup> Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991

<sup>e</sup> Tiyawornan, 1998

- The test was not carried out.

Tumor Cell lines:

| = | Human lung carcinoma                         |
|---|----------------------------------------------|
| = | Human nasopharyngeal carcinoma               |
| = | Human colon adrenocarcinoma                  |
| - | Human breast carcinoma                       |
| = | A chemical-induced murine lymphatic leukemia |
| - | Human melanoma, metastasis of axillary node  |
| = | Human melanoma, metastasis of lung           |
| = | Human melanoma, not specific                 |
|   | Murine lymphatic leukemia                    |
| = | Human fibrosacoma (HT-1080)                  |
| = | African green monkey kidney cell line        |
|   |                                              |

Jung et al., 1990a and 1990b; Jung et al., 1991

\* Tuchinda et al., 1991

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## CHAPTER III EXPERIMENTAL

#### 1. Source of Plant Material

The root of *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour. was collected from Khao Hin Son Botanic Garden, Amphur Phanomsarakham, Chachoengsao Province, Thailand in October 1999, whereas the seeds were collected in April 2000. This plant was identified by comparison with the herbarium specimen at The Royal Forest Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Bangkok, Thailand.

#### 2. General Techniques

#### 2.1. Analytical Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC)

| Technique       | : One dimension, ascending                                  |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Adsorbent       | : Silica gel 60 F <sub>254</sub> (E. Merck) precoated plate |
| Layer thickness | : 0.2 mm                                                    |
| Distance        | : 6 cm                                                      |
| Temperature     | : Laboratory temperature (30-35°C)                          |
| Detection       | : 1. Ultraviolet light at wavelengths of 254 and 365 nm     |
|                 | 2. 10% Sulfuric acid in ethanol and heated at 105°C for     |
|                 | 10 minutes                                                  |

#### 2.2. Preparative Centrifugal Thin Layer Chromatography

| Instrument model | : 1. Chromatotron Model 7924T                                     |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                  | 2. Lab Pump Model RH                                              |
| Adsorbent        | : Silica gel 60 PF <sub>254</sub> with Calcium Sulfate (E. Merck) |
| Layer thickness  | : 2 mm                                                            |
| Flow rate        | : 6 ml/min                                                        |
| Temperature      | : Laboratory temperature (30-35°C)                                |
| Detection        | : Ultraviolet light at wavelengths of 254 and 365 nm              |
|                  | employed to detect bands of UV absorbing compounds                |
|                  | on the adsorbent layer of the rotor.                              |

#### 2.3. Column Chromatography (CC)

| 2.3.1. | Quick Column Chron | natography                                          |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
|        | Adsorbent          | : Silica gel 60 (No. 7734)                          |
|        |                    | particle size 0.063-0.200 nm                        |
|        |                    | (70-230 mesh ASTM) (E. Merck)                       |
|        | Packing method     | : Dry packing                                       |
|        | Sample loading     | : The sample was dissolved in a small amount of     |
|        |                    | organic solvent, mixed with kieselguhr, triturated, |
|        |                    | dried and then placed gently on top of the column   |
|        | Detection          | : Fractions were examined by TLC observing          |
|        |                    | under UV light at the wavelengths of 254 and 365    |
|        |                    | nm                                                  |

| 2.3.2. Flash Column Chro | matography                                         |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Adsorbent                | : Silica gel 60 (No. 7734)                         |
|                          | particle size 0.063-0.200 nm                       |
|                          | Silica gel 60 (No. 9385)                           |
|                          | particle size 0.040-0.063 nm                       |
| Packing method           | : Wet and dry packing                              |
| Sample loading           | : For wet packing, the sample was dissolved in a   |
|                          | small amount of eluant, then applied gently on the |
|                          | top of the column                                  |
|                          | For dry packing, the sample was dissolved in a     |
|                          | small volume of the optimal organic solvent,       |
|                          | mixed with a small amount of adsorbent,            |

the column.



: Fractions were examined in the same manner as described in section 2.3.1

triturated, dried, and then gently placed on top of

#### 2.3.3. Gel Filtration Chromatography

| : Sephadex LH-20 (Pharmacia)                          |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| MCI gel CHP20P (75~150µ) high porous                  |  |  |
| polymer (Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation)             |  |  |
| : The gel filter was dispersed in the eluant and left |  |  |
| standing for gel initiation for about 24 hours        |  |  |
| before use.                                           |  |  |
| : The sample was dissolved in a small amount of       |  |  |
| eluant, then applied gently on top of the column      |  |  |
| : 1. Ultraviolet light at wavelengths of 254 and      |  |  |
| 365 nm employed to detect bands of UV                 |  |  |
| absorbing compounds                                   |  |  |
| 2. Fractions were examined in the same manner         |  |  |
|                                                       |  |  |

#### 2.4. Spectroscopic Techniques

2.4.1. Ultraviolet (UV) Absorption Spectra

UV spectra were obtained on a Shimadzu UV-160A UV/VIS spectrophotometer at the Pharmaceutical Research Instrument Center, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Chulalongkorn University.

as described in section 2.3.1

#### 2.4.2. Infrared (IR) Absorption Spectra

IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum 2000 FT-IR spectrophotometer in the Pharmaceutical Research Instrument Center, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Chulalongkorn University. Samples were prepared as KBr pellets

#### 2.4.3. Mass Spectra (MS)

Electron Impact Mass Spectra (EIMS) were obtained on a FISONS VG TRIO 2000 mass spectrometer at the Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Sciences, Chulalongkorn University, at 70 eV.

#### 2.4.4. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectra

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded at 300 and 75 MHz, respectively, on a Bruker AVANCE DPX-300 FT-NMR spectrometer at the Pharmaceutical Research Instrument Center, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Chulalongkorn University. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded at 500 MHz spectrometer, on a JEOL JMN-A500 (Alpha series) at The Scientific and Technology Research Equipment Center, Chulalongkorn University. Deuterated chloroform was used as the NMR solvent in this study. Spectral data were reported in ppm scale using the solvent chemical shift as the reference frequency.

#### 2.5. Physical Property Measurement Apparatus

2.5.1. Melting Points

Melting points were determined on a Gallenkamp Melting Point Apparatus at the Department of Pharmacognosy, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Chulalongkorn University.

#### 2.5.2. Optical Rotations

Optical rotations were measured on a Perkin-Elmer Polarimeter model 341 at the Pharmaceutical Research Instrument Center, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Chulalongkorn University.

#### 2.5.3. Elemental Components

Elemental components of the compounds were analyzed on a Perkin-Elmer PE2400 Series II CHNS/O Analyzer (option CHN) at the Scientific and Technological Research Equipment Center, Chulalongkorn University, by the method of pyrolysis in high-purity oxygen (static-state oxidation) and quantitatively detected by thermal conductivity detector.

#### 2.6. Solvents

Throughout this work, all organic solvents were commercial grade and were redistilled prior to use.

#### 3. Bioassay

Bioassay of cytotoxic activity against Human breast cancer (BT 474), Human lung cancer (CHAGO), Human gastric cancer (KATO-3), Human hepatoma (HEP-G2), Human skin fibrobrast (Hs27), and Human colon cancer (SW620) cell cultures in vitro were performed by the MTT (3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5diphenyltetrazolium bromide) colorimetric method (Twentyman, 1987; Carmicheal, 1987).

#### 4. Extraction and Isolation

#### 4.1. Extraction of the root and seeds of *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour.

#### 4.1.1. Extraction of the root

The dried-powdered root of *Melodorum fruticosum* (3 kg) was macerated with ethyl acetate (3 x 3 L), and methanol (3 x 3 L) successively. The obtained extract was evaporated under reduced pressure at temperature about 50  $^{\circ}$  C to give 79.58 g of ethyl acetate extract (2.65% of dry weight of the root) and 50.84 g of methanol extract (1.69% of dry weight of the root).

#### 4.1.2. Extraction of the seeds

The dried-powdered seeds of *Melodorum fruticosum* (1.2 kg) were macerated with hexane (3 x 3 L), ethyl acetate (3 x 3 L), and methanol (3 x 3 L), successively. The filtrates were evaporated under reduced pressure at temperature about 50 ° C by rotary evaporator to give 88.81 g of hexane extract (7.42% w/w of the seeds), 93.93 g of ethyl acetate extract (7.85% w/w), and 52.56 g of methanol extract (4.39% w/w).

#### 4.2. Isolation

#### 4.2.1. Isolation of compound L-1

The ethyl acetate extract of the root (79.58 g) was dissolved in a small amount of chloroform, triturated with kieselguhr and dried under reduced pressure. It

was then fractionated by quick column chromatography using a sintered glass filter column of silica gel 60 (No. 7734) 600 g. Elution was performed in polarity gradient manner with mixtures of hexane and ethyl acetate as the solvents by increasing ethyl acetate from 10% ethyl acetate in hexane to 100% ethyl acetate (approximately 500 ml per fraction). The eluants were examined by TLC using 40% ethyl acetate in hexane as developing solvent. Fractions with similar chromatographic pattern were combined to yield six fractions, as shown in Table 2.

**Table 3.** Combination of fractions from quick column chromatography of the ethyl acetate extract (79.58 g) of the root.

| Fraction code | Number of fraction | Weight (g) |
|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| RE1           | 1-2                | 3.69       |
| RE2           | 3-7                | 4.41       |
| RE3           | 8-9                | 10.23      |
| RE4           | 10-16              | 27.93      |
| RE5           | 17-25              | 21.80      |
| RE6           | 26-30              | 6.95       |

Fraction RE3 (10.23g) yielded 6.85 g of a residue. The mother liquor was removed and the residue was recrystallized in chloroform to give 5.94 g of compound L-1 as a colorless needle crystals (7.46% of the ethyl acetate extract of the root).

#### 4.2.2. Isolation of compound L-2

Fraction RE5 (21.7964 g) was further chromatographed by column chromatography using silica gel 60 (No. 9385) as adsorbent. Gradient elution from 10% ethyl acetate in hexane to 100% ethyl acetate was performed (approximately 50 ml per fraction). Eleven fractions (RE501-RE511) were obtained, as shown in Table 3.
| Fraction code | Number of fraction | Weight (g) |
|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| RE501         | 1-10               | 0.4280     |
| RE502         | 11-20              | 0.0738     |
| RE503         | 21-24              | 0.2200     |
| RE504         | 25-36              | 1.2358     |
| RE505         | 37-44              | 0.3194     |
| RE506         | 45-56              | 1.0052     |
| RE507         | 57-64              | 1.8208     |
| RE508         | 65-75              | 2.2780     |
| RE509         | 76-90              | 1.1592     |
| RE510         | 91-113             | 2.0995     |
| RE511         | 114-130            | 8.7428     |

**Table 4.** Fractionation of the fraction RE5 (21.7964 g) by column chromatography

Fraction RE502 (0.0738 g) was recrystallized in a mixture of chloroform and ethyl acetate, to furnish compound L-2 as colorless needle crystals, (45.3 mg, 0.0569% of the ethyl acetate extract of the root).

## 4.2.3. Isolation of compound L-3

Fraction RE4 (27.9324 g) yield crystals in ethyl acetate at room temperature. The mother liquor was thereafter removed and the crystals were recrystallized in a mixture of ethyl acetate and hexane to obtain compound L-3 (15.15 g) as colorless prism-like crystals (19.04% of the ethyl acetate extract of the root).

In addition, compound L-3 could be obtained from the ethyl acetate extract of the seeds (93.93 g). After evaporating under vacuum, 47.91 g of the solid matter and 46.02 g of mother liquor were obtained. The solid matter was recrystallized in a mixture of acetone and hexane to yield 46.43 g of a similar crystal (49.43% of the ethyl acetate extract of the seeds).

## 4.2.4. Isolation of compound L-4

The mother liquor from the ethyl acetate extract of the seeds was combined and evaporated under reduced pressure to yield 46.02 g of ethyl acetate extract of the seeds. It was then separated by a column of silica gel 60 (No.7734) 600 g as the stationary adsorbent, using hexane and ethyl acetate as a mobile solvent performed in a polarity gradient manner by increasing ethyl acetate from from 10% ethyl acetate in hexane to 100% ethyl acetate (approximately 100 ml per fraction). Eight fractions (SE1-SE8) were obtained, as shown in Table 4.

**Table 5.** Isolation of the mother liquor of ethyl acetate extract of the seeds by column chromatography

| Fraction code | Number of fraction | Weight (g) |
|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| SE1           | 1-10               | 5.27       |
| SE2           | 11-23              | 3.15       |
| SE3           | 24-33              | 10.63      |
| SE4           | 34-45              | 5.26       |
| SE5           | 46-71              | 10.68      |
| SE6           | 72-95              | 3.10       |
| SE7           | 96-115             | 1.91       |
| SE8           | 116-130            | 3.49       |

Fraction SE6 (3.10 g) was further fractionated on a column chromatography using a silica gel 60 (No. 9385) 150 g as the adsorbent. Gradient elution from 10% ethyl acetate in hexane to 100% ethyl acetate was performed (approximately 50 ml per fraction). The eluants were combined to yield six fractions, as shown in Table 5.

| Fraction code | Number of fraction | Weight (g) |
|---------------|--------------------|------------|
| SE61          | 1-8                | 0.0568     |
| SE62          | 9-13               | 0.0843     |
| SE63          | 14-18              | 0.0684     |
| SE64          | 19-26              | 0.5746     |
| SE65          | 27-40              | 1.9782     |
| SE66          | 41-70              | 0.0345     |

**Table 6.** Isolation of fraction SE6 (3.1003 g) by column chromatography

Fraction SE65 (1.9782 g) was then purified by gel filtration chromatography using a column of Sephadex-LH 20 (100 g, 2.5 x 80 cm) with 10% methanol in ethyl acetate as the solvent. Four fractions were collected by UV light employed to detect bands and also examined by TLC using hexane: ethyl acetate (1: 1) as developing solvent. From the third fraction (SE653) 1.5842 g of a yellow oil of compound L-4 (1.67% of ethyl acetate of the seeds) was obtained.

Furthermore, compound L-4 could be isolated from fraction RE508 (2.2780 g) of the root by preparative centrifugal thin layer chromatography (Chromatotron). Isocratic elution by hexane : ethyl acetate (3 : 2) was performed. The eluants were collected by employing UV light at wavelength of 254 and 365 nm to detect bands of UV absorbing compounds on the adsorbent layer, and also analysed by TLC technique. The fourth of five fractions (RE5084) gave compound L-4 at 2.45% of the weight ethyl acetate extract of the root (1.9520 g).

#### 4.2.5. Isolation of compound L-5

The hexane extract (88.81 g) of the seeds was divided into two portions: A (42.53 g) and B (46.28 g), which then were separated by two column of silica gel 60 (No. 7734) 600 g as a stationary adsorbent, using hexane and ethyl acetate as a mobile solvent performed in a polarity gradient manner by increasing ethyl acetate from from 10% ethyl acetate in hexane to 100% ethyl acetate (approximately 100 ml per fraction). Each eluate obtained from the column were analysed by TLC using hexane: ethyl acetate (3:2) as the developing system. Fractions with similar chromatographic pattern were combined to give as eight fractions, as shown in Table 6.

| Fraction code | Number of fraction | Total weight (g) |  |
|---------------|--------------------|------------------|--|
| SH1           | 1-13A              | 2.1976           |  |
|               | 1-11B              |                  |  |
| SH2           | 14-20A             | 9,9831           |  |
|               | 12-24B             |                  |  |
| SH3           | 21-37A             | 50 1587          |  |
| 5115          | 25-40B             | 50.1507          |  |
| SH4           | 38-45A             | 1 2724           |  |
| 584           | 41-47B             | 4.3724           |  |
| SH5           | 46-64A             | 6 7082           |  |
| 5115          | 48-66B             | 0.7082           |  |
| SH6           | 65-74A             | 0.0625           |  |
| 5110          | 67-75B             | 0.9025           |  |
| SH7           | 75-85A             | 7 6291           |  |
| 517           | 76-92B             | /.0381           |  |
| SH8           | 86-120A            | 3 150/           |  |
| 5110          | 93-120B            | 3.1374           |  |

 Table 7. Combination of fractions from column chromatography of hexane extract

 (88.81 g) of the seeds

Fraction SH6 (0.9625 g) was further separated by chromatotron using silica gel 60 GF as the adsorbent and hexane: ethyl acetate (3:2) as the isocratic eluant. The eluates were collected by employing ultraviolet light to detect bands of compounds and also examined by TLC pattern. The fractions were combined to yield five fractions (SH61-SH65). The second fraction (SH62) gave 624 mg of yellow oil, compound L-5 (0.70% of hexane extract of the seeds).



Scheme 1. Extraction scheme of Melodorum fruticosum root



Scheme 2. Extraction scheme of Melodorum fruticosum seeds



Scheme 3. Isolation scheme of ethyl acetate extract of root



Scheme 4. Isolation scheme of hexane extract of seeds



Scheme 5. Isolation scheme of ethyl acetate extract of seeds

## Physical and Spectral Data of Isolated Compounds

## 1. Compound L-1

The compound L-1 was obtained as colorless needle crystals.

| UV                  | : $\lambda_{max}$ nm (log $\varepsilon$ ), in MeOH; Figure 8                         |  |  |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
|                     | 243 (3.12)                                                                           |  |  |
| IR                  | : $v_{max}$ cm <sup>-1</sup> , KBr disc; Figure 9                                    |  |  |
|                     | 3377, 2933, 1640, 1445, 1374 , 1037                                                  |  |  |
| EIMS                | : $m/z$ (% relative intensity); Figure 10                                            |  |  |
|                     | 440 [M <sup>+</sup> ] (100), 425 (7), 407 (20), 379 (6), 356 (8), 353(10),           |  |  |
|                     | 329 (7), 328 (8), 327 (13), 311 (11), 272 (15), 239 (17), 227                        |  |  |
|                     | (25), 119 (35), 105 (24), 69 (56), 55 (61)                                           |  |  |
| <sup>1</sup> H-NMR  | : $\delta$ in ppm (multiplicity, J in Hz), 500 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 11 |  |  |
|                     | 0.72-2.40 (overlapping), $0.54$ (s), $0.81$ (s), $0.82$ (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz),           |  |  |
|                     | 0.87 (s), 0.91 (s), 0.94 (s), 0.98 (s), 1.53 (s), 1.62 (s), 3.18 (dd,                |  |  |
|                     | J = 4.3, 11.6 Hz), 4.20 (dd, $J = 10.0, 6.0$ Hz), 5.02 (tt, $J = 7.0,$               |  |  |
|                     | 1.5 Hz), 5.24 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz), 5.78 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz)                              |  |  |
| <sup>13</sup> C-NMR | : $\delta$ in ppm, 75 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 12                          |  |  |
|                     | 15.8, 15.9, 17.1, 17.6, 18.4, 22.8, 22.9, 24.9, 25.7, 27.8, 28.1,                    |  |  |
|                     | 35.7, 35.8, 36.2, 37.4, 38.5, 38.7, 40.1, 44.3, 48.9, 48.9, 51.9,                    |  |  |
|                     | 74.8, 78.9, 116.1, 121.3, 124.9, 131.2, 140.9, 146.1                                 |  |  |
|                     |                                                                                      |  |  |

# 2. Compound L-2

| The compound L-2 was obtained as colorless needle crystals. |                                                            |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| Elemental Components : C : H: O ; 79.69 : 10.40 : 9.94      |                                                            |  |  |
| Melting Point                                               | : 177-180 ° C                                              |  |  |
| $\left[\alpha\right]^{25}$ D                                | $: +98 (CHCl_3; c 0.1)$                                    |  |  |
| UV                                                          | : $\lambda_{max}$ nm (log $\epsilon$ ), in MeOH; Figure 18 |  |  |
|                                                             | 243 (3.12)                                                 |  |  |
| IR                                                          | : $v_{max}$ cm <sup>-1</sup> , KBr disc; Figure 19         |  |  |
|                                                             | 3436, 2929, 1723, 1629, 1374, 1248, 1029                   |  |  |

| EIMS                | : $m/z$ (% relative intensity); Figure 20                                            |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                     | 482 [M <sup>+</sup> ] (100), 449 (10), 407 (20), 389 (10), 369 (20), 353             |
|                     | (20), 315 (11), 272 (14), 239 (12), 227 (23), 119 (32), 105 (26),                    |
|                     | 69 (61), 55 (48)                                                                     |
| <sup>1</sup> H-NMR  | : $\delta$ in ppm (multiplicity, J in Hz), 500 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 21 |
|                     | 1.00-2.40 (overlapping), 0.59 (s), 0.85 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz), 0.86 (s),                 |
|                     | 0.91 (s), 0.93 (s), 0.98 (s), 1.58 (s), 1.66 (s), 2.04 (s), 4.24 dd,                 |
|                     | J = 9.6, 5.7 Hz), 4.49 (dd, $J = 4.4, 11.4$ Hz), 5.06 (tt, $J = 7.2$ ,               |
|                     | 1.4 Hz), 5.28 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz), 5.82 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz)                              |
| <sup>13</sup> C-NMR | : $\delta$ in ppm, 75 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 22                          |
|                     | 17.6, 18.4, 21.3, 22.8, 22.9, 24.2, 24.9, 25.7, 28.1, 35.4, 35.8,                    |
|                     | 36.2, 37.3, 37.6, 38.5, 40.1, 44.3, 48.7, 49.1, 51.9, 74.8, 80.8,                    |
|                     | 116.3, 121.0, 124.9, 131.2, 140.9, 145.8, 170.9                                      |

## 3. Compound L-3

The compound L-3 was obtained as colorless prism-like crystals.

| UV                  | : $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ nm (log $\varepsilon$ ), in MeOH; Figure 28                 |  |  |  |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
|                     | 267 (3.15)                                                                           |  |  |  |
| IR                  | : $v_{max}$ cm <sup>-1</sup> , KBr disc; Figure 29                                   |  |  |  |
|                     | 3070, 2944, 1775, 1738, 1719, 1679, 1561, 1450, 1365,                                |  |  |  |
|                     | 1285, 1266, 1229                                                                     |  |  |  |
| EIMS                | : $m/z$ (% relative intensity); Figure 30                                            |  |  |  |
|                     | 302 [M <sup>+</sup> ] (20), 272 (10), 243 (70), 242 (21), 230 (6), 215 (7),          |  |  |  |
|                     | 180 (30), 138 (63), 125 (31), 110 (14), 105 (100), 97 (9), 77                        |  |  |  |
|                     | (77), 51 (23)                                                                        |  |  |  |
| <sup>1</sup> H-NMR  | : $\delta$ in ppm (multiplicity, J in Hz), 300 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 31 |  |  |  |
|                     | 2.02 (s), 4.43 (dd, <i>J</i> = 11.8, 6.1 Hz), 4.50 (dd, <i>J</i> = 11.8, 4.1 Hz),    |  |  |  |
|                     | 5.31 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 6.08 (ddd, $J = 8.1$ , 6.1, 4.1 Hz), 6.20 (d, $J$            |  |  |  |
|                     | = 5.4 Hz), 7.36 (d, <i>J</i> = 5.4 Hz), 7.37 (m), 7.50 (m), 7.95 (m)                 |  |  |  |
| <sup>13</sup> C-NMR | : δ in ppm, 75 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 32                                 |  |  |  |
|                     | 20.6, 64.4, 66.9, 108.6, 121.3, 128.2, 129.2, 129.4, 133.0,                          |  |  |  |
|                     | 143.3, 150.5, 165.7, 168.3, 169.5                                                    |  |  |  |

## 4. Compound L-4

The compound L-4 was obtained as yellow oil.

| UV                  | $\lambda_{max}$ nm (log $\varepsilon$ ), in MeOH; Figure 38                          |  |  |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
|                     | 270 (3.06)                                                                           |  |  |
| IR                  | : $v_{max}$ cm <sup>-1</sup> , KBr disc; Figure 39                                   |  |  |
|                     | 3457, 3075, 2954, 1779, 1750, 1718, 1274, 1114, 1070                                 |  |  |
| EIMS                | : $m/z$ (% relative intensity); Figure 40                                            |  |  |
|                     | 260 [M <sup>+</sup> ](4), 243 (33), 230 (83), 215 (6), 138 (79), 125(60),            |  |  |
|                     | 110(24), 105(100), 97(48), 77(82), 51(65)                                            |  |  |
| <sup>1</sup> H-NMR  | : $\delta$ in ppm (multiplicity, J in Hz), 300 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 41 |  |  |
|                     | 3.42 (br), 4.39 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz), 5.12 (dq, $J = 8.4$ , 5.1 Hz), 5.39               |  |  |
|                     | (d, J = 8.4  Hz), 6.16 (d, J = 5.4  Hz), 7.33 (d, J = 5.4  Hz), 7.36                 |  |  |
|                     | (t, J = 7.2  Hz), 7.50 (t, J = 7.2  Hz), 7.97 (t, J = 7.2  Hz)                       |  |  |
| <sup>13</sup> C-NMR | : δ in ppm, 75 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 42                                 |  |  |
|                     | 65.3, 67.3, 113.4, 120.7, 128.3, 129.3, 129.6, 133.2, 143.8,                         |  |  |
|                     | 149.8, 166.5, 169.1                                                                  |  |  |
|                     |                                                                                      |  |  |

## 5. Compound L-5

The compound L-2 was obtained as pale-yellow oil.

| UV                 | : $\lambda_{max}$ nm (log $\varepsilon$ ), in MeOH; Figure 48                        |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                    | 269 (2.92)                                                                           |
| ir 🕅               | : $v_{max}$ cm <sup>-1</sup> , KBr disc; Figure 49                                   |
|                    | 3076, 2957, 1790, 1765, 1735, 1724, 1274, 1228, 1113                                 |
| EIMS               | : $m/z$ (% relative intensity); Figure 50                                            |
|                    | 302 [M <sup>+</sup> ] (20), 272 (18), 243 (70), 242 (21), 230 (6), 215 (7),          |
|                    | 180 (45), 138 (51), 125 (29), 110 (14), 105 (100), 97 (9), 77                        |
|                    | (77), 51 (33)                                                                        |
| <sup>1</sup> H-NMR | : $\delta$ in ppm (multiplicity, J in Hz), 300 MHz, in CDCl <sub>3</sub> ; Figure 51 |
|                    | 2.07 (s), 4.46 (dd, <i>J</i> = 11.7, 6.6 Hz), 4.48 (dd, <i>J</i> = 11.7, 4.2 Hz),    |
|                    | 5.70 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 5.94 (ddd, J = 10.2, 6.6, 4.2 Hz), 6.31                       |

(dd, 
$$J = 5.4, 1.5$$
 Hz), 7.43 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.56 (t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz),  
7.87 (d,  $J = 5.4$  Hz), 7.98 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz)  
<sup>13</sup>C-NMR :  $\delta$  in ppm, 75 MHz, in CDCl<sub>3</sub>; Figure 52  
20.9, 65.0, 66.8, 107.5, 122.5, 128.5, 129.2, 129.6, 133.4,  
140.2, 153.4, 165.9, 168.6, 170.0



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# CHAPTER IV RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The dried root of *Melodorum fruticosum* Lour. (3 kg) was extracted with ethyl acetate. The ethyl acetate extract was then separated by several chromatographic techniques to afford four compounds (L-1, L-2, L-3, and L-4).

The dried seeds of this plant (1.2 kg) were successively extracted with hexane, ethyl acetate, and methanol. The ethyl acetate extract was then fractionated by extensive repeated chromatography to afford two compounds (L-3 and L-4). The hexane extract was further separated by various chromatographic techniques to afford one compound (L-5).

The structure determinations of all of the isolated compounds were performed by interpretation of their spectroscopic data (UV-VIS, IR, MS, and NMR), and subsequently confirmed by comparison with reported values.

## **Structure Determination of Isolated Compounds**

## 1. Structure Determination of Compound L-1

Compound L-1 was obtained a colorless needle crystals. The compound gave a violet color to anisaldehyde-sulfuric acid reagent and a pink color to Libermann-Burchard test. The UV of compound L-1 (Figure 8) displayed maximum absorption at 243 (log  $\varepsilon = 3.12$ ) nm, indicating the presence of a transoid heteroannular diene group in the molecule. The IR spectrum of compound L-1 (Figure 9) revealed absorption bands at 3377 (O-H stretching), 2933 (=C-H stretching, aliphatic), 1445 (C-O stretching), 1440 (C-H stretching, methylene), and 1374 (C-H stretching, methyl) cm<sup>-1</sup>. The EIMS of compound L-1 (Figure 10) exhibited a molecular ion [M]<sup>+</sup> at *m/z* 440 consistent with the molecular formula C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>48</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. The degree of unsaturation calculated for the molecular formula C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>48</sub>O<sub>2</sub> is seven.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound L-1 (Figure 11) indicated the presence of three olefinic protons at  $\delta$  5.78 (1H, d, J = 6.7 Hz; H-7), 5.24 (1H, d, J = 6.1 Hz; H-11), and 5.02 (1H, tt, J = 7.0, 1.5 Hz; H-24) ppm; two oxygen-bearing methine protons at  $\delta$  4.20 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 6.0 Hz; H-15 $\beta$ ), and 3.18 (1H, dd, J = 11.6, 4.3 Hz; H-3 $\alpha$ ) ppm; two geminal olefinic methyl groups at  $\delta$  1.62 (3H, s; H-26) and 1.53 (3H, s; H-27) ppm; five tertiary methyl groups at  $\delta$  0.94 (3H, s; H-28), 0.81 (3H, s; H-29), 0.91 (3H, s; H-19), 0.87 (3H, s; H-30), and 0.54 (3H, s; H-18) ppm; a secondary methyl group at  $\delta$  0.82 (3H, d, J = 5.2 Hz; H-21) ppm. The signals at  $\delta$  0.72-2.30 ppm were the signals of methylene and methine protons.

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (Figure 12) and DEPT (Figure 13) exhibited thirty carbon resonances, which revealed the presence of eight methyl carbons, seven methylene carbons, eight methine carbons, and seven quaternary carbons.

The compound L-1 gave violet color to anisaldehyde-sulfuric acid reagent, pink color to Libermann-Burchard test, and its <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum exhibited thirty carbon signals, therefore suggested that it possessed a triterpenoid nucleus. The fragment ion peak in the EIMS spectrum at m/z 329 represented the loss of an eight carbons unit  $(C_8H_{15})$  due to the cleavage of the bond between C-17 and C-20, which was rather characteristic of a lanostane-type triterpene (Tanaka et al., 1991). The assignments of the carbon resonances were achieved by the HMQC experiment (Figure 16). The <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  121.3, 140.9, 146.1, 116.1 ppm and the <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.78, 5.24 ppm indicated that the two double bonds were positioned between C-7 and C-8 and between C-9 and C-11, such as two endo-double bonds. In the HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectrum of compound L-1 (Figure 3 and 17), correlations between H-19 to C-9, H-12 to C-9, H-12 to C-11, and H-30 to C-8 also supported this suggestion. Thus, compound L-1 was a 7,9(11) diene lanostane-type triterpenoid (Li et al., 1993; Tai et al., 1995; Tripathi *et al.*, 1996). The resonance of one hydrogen at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.43 ppm corresponded to H-3. An NOE effect (Figure 14) between H-28 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.94 ppm, irr.) and H-3 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.18 ppm, enh. 1.31 %) indicated that H-3 was  $\alpha$ -oriented and therefore the 3-OH was a  $\beta$ -OH. An additional hydroxyl was positioned on ring D (possible position either 15-OH or 16-OH), since the MS peak at m/z 273 which included only one hydroxyl (3-OH) was due to the cleavage of ring D (Lue et al., 1998). In the <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of compound L-1 (Figure 15), the correlation between H-20 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.30 ppm) and a methine proton (H-17 at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.57 ppm) was determined, then the corresponding carbon (C-17) was assigned at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  48.9 ppm through the HMQC experiment, thus inferring that the hydroxyl was not positioned at C-16, but at C-15. This suggestion was also supported by the <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum in which H-17 correlated with the protons of a methylene (at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.64 and 1.89 ppm; H-16). Based on the above analysis, the other hydroxyl has been placed at C-15 and the NOE effect between H-18 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.54 ppm, irr.) and H-15 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.20 ppm, enh. 2.33%) indicated that the 15-OH was  $\alpha$ -oriented. Furthermore, observation of the NOE between H-18 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.54 ppm, irr.) and H-20 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.30 ppm, enh. 2.98%) confirmed the configuration of the side chain at C-17 as  $\beta$ -oriented.

By comparison with previous report, compound L-1 was identified as polycarpol (lanosta-7,9(11),24-trien-3 $\beta$ ,5 $\alpha$ -diol) [5] (Jung *et al.*, 1990). Polycarpol has been isolated from several plants in the family Annonaceae. So far, it has never been isolated from plants belonging to families other than Annonaceae, including neighbouring families such as Lauraceae, Monimiaceae, and Menispermaceae, therefore this triterpene may be a useful chemotaxonomic marker (Leboeuf *et al.*, 1982).



|             | Compound L-1                                      |                      | Polycarpol                                        |                    |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Position    | $\delta_{\rm H}$ (ppm)<br>(multiplicity, J in Hz) | δ <sub>C</sub> (ppm) | $\delta_{\rm H}$ (ppm)<br>(multiplicity, J in Hz) | $\delta_{C}$ (ppm) |
| 1 α<br>β    | 1.37 (dt, 13.4, 3.97)<br>1.94 (m)                 | 35.7                 | 1.39 (dt, 13, 4)<br>1.99 (td, 13, 3)              | 35.7               |
| 2 α<br>β    | 1.67 (m)<br>1.59 (m)                              | 27.8                 | 1. 70 (ddd, 14, 8, 4)<br>1.60 (ddd, 14, 11, 3)    | 27.8               |
| 3α          | 3.18 (dd, 11.6, 4.3)                              | 78.9                 | 3.21 (dd, 11, 4)                                  | 78.9               |
| 4           | -                                                 | 38.7                 | -                                                 | 38.7               |
| 5           | 1.02 (dd, 11.9, 3.9)                              | 48.9                 | 1.02 (dd, 12, 4)                                  | 48.9               |
| 6 α<br>β    | 2.07 (dd, 6.7, 3.7)<br>2.09 (dd, 6.7, 3.7)        | 22.9                 | ca. 2.0<br>ca. 2.0                                | 22.9               |
| 7           | 5.78 ( <b>d</b> , 6.7)                            | 121.3                | 5.81 (d, 6)                                       | 121.3              |
| 8           | -                                                 | 140.9                | -                                                 | 140.8              |
| 9           | -                                                 | 146.1                | -                                                 | 146.1              |
| 10          | - / / *                                           | 37.4                 | -                                                 | 37.4               |
| 11          | 5.24 (d, 6.1)                                     | 116.1                | 5.27 (d, 6)                                       | 116.0              |
| 12 α<br>β   | 2.22 (br.d, 18.0)<br>1.99 (dd, 18.0, 6.2)         | 38.5                 | 2.20 (d, 17)<br>2.00 (dd, 17, 6)                  | 38.5               |
| 13          | 0                                                 | 44.4                 | -                                                 | 44.3               |
| 14          |                                                   | 51.9                 |                                                   | 51.9               |
| 15 <i>β</i> | 4.20 (dd, 10.0, 6.0)                              | 74.8                 | 4.24 (dd, 9, 6)                                   | 74.7               |
| 16 α<br>β   | 1.64 (m)<br>1.89 (m)                              | 40.1                 | 1.65 (d, 13)<br>1.88 (dd, 13, 8)                  | 40.0               |
| 17          | 1.57 (m)                                          | 48.9                 | <i>ca.</i> 1.55                                   | 48.9               |
| 18          | 0.54 (s)                                          | 15.8                 | 0.58 (s)                                          | 15.8               |
| 19          | 0.91 (s)                                          | 22.9                 | 0.91 (s)                                          | 22.9               |
| 20          | 1.30 (m)                                          | 35.8                 | 1.32 (td, 11, 4)                                  | 35.8               |
| 21          | 0.82 (d, 5.2)                                     | 18.4                 | 0.85 (d, 5)                                       | 18.4               |
| 22          | 0.98 (m)                                          | 36.2                 | 0.98 (m)                                          | 36.2               |
| 23          | 1.79 (m)                                          | 24.9                 | 1.78 (m)                                          | 24.9               |
| 24          | 5.02 (tt, 7.0, 1.5)                               | 124.9                | 5.06 (t, 7)                                       | 124.9              |
| 25          | -                                                 | 131.2                | -                                                 | 131.1              |
| 26          | 1.62 (s)                                          | 25.7                 | 1.65 (s)                                          | 25.7               |
| 27          | 1.53 (s)                                          | 17.6                 | 1.57 (s)                                          | 17.6               |
| 28          | 0.94 (s)                                          | 28.1                 | 0.97 (s)                                          | 28.1               |
| 29          | 0.81 (s)                                          | 15.9                 | 0.85 (s)                                          | 15.9               |
| 30          | 0.87 (s)                                          | 17.1                 | 0.91 (s)                                          | 17.1               |

**Table 8.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectral data of compound L-1 and <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50.2 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectral data of polycarpol (Jung *et al.*, 1990)

|             | $\delta_{\rm H}  (\rm ppm)$ | $\delta_{C}$ (ppm) |                                     | HMBC                          |
|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Position    | (multiplicity, J in Hz)     |                    | <sup>1</sup> H, <sup>1</sup> H-COSY | $(^{n}J_{CH} = 8 \text{ Hz})$ |
| 1α          | 1.37 (dt, 13.4, 3.97)       | 25.7               | Ш.Э                                 | 0.2                           |
| β           | 1.94 (m)                    | 33.7               | п-2                                 | C-3                           |
| 2α          | 1.59 (m)                    | 27.9               |                                     |                               |
| β           | 1.67 (m)                    | 27.0               | n-1, n-5 <i>u</i>                   | -                             |
| 3α          | 3.18 (dd 11.6, 4.3)         | 78.9               | Н-2                                 | C-2                           |
| 4           | -                           | 38.7               | -                                   | -                             |
| 5           | 1.02 (dd 11.9, 3.9)         | 48.9               | H-6                                 | -                             |
| 6α          | 2.07 (dd, 6.7, 3.7)         | 22.9               | H-5 H-6                             | _                             |
| β           | 2.09 (dd, 6.7, 3.7)         | 22.9               | 11-5, 11-0                          | -                             |
| 7           | 5.78 (d, 6.7)               | 121.3              | H-6                                 | -                             |
| 8           | ·                           | 140.9              | -                                   | -                             |
| 9           |                             | 146.1              | -                                   | -                             |
| 10          | -////                       | 37.4               | -                                   | -                             |
| 11          | 5.24 (d, 6.1)               | 116.1              | H-12                                | -                             |
| 12 α        | 2.22 (br.d, 18.0)           | 38.5               | H-11                                | C-11 C-9                      |
| β           | 1.99 (dd, 18.0, 6.2)        | 56.5               | 11-11                               | C-11, C-9                     |
| 13          | -                           | 44.4               |                                     | -                             |
| 14          | -                           | 51.9               | -                                   | -                             |
| 15 <i>β</i> | 4.20 (dd, 10.0, 6.0)        | 74.8               | H-16                                | -                             |
| 16 α        | 1.64 (m)                    | 40.1               | H 15 <i>B</i> H 17                  |                               |
| β           | 1.89 (m)                    | 40.1               | 11-1 <i>5p</i> , 11-17              | -                             |
| 17          | 1.57 (m)                    | 48.9               | H-16, H-20                          | -                             |
| 18          | 0.54 (s)                    | 15.8               | -                                   | C-12, C-13, C-14, C-17        |
| 19          | 0.91 (s)                    | 22.9               |                                     | C-1, C-5, C-9, C-10           |
| 20          | 1.30 (m)                    | 35.8               | H-21, H-22, H-17                    | · ·                           |
| 21          | 0.82 (d, 5.2)               | 18.4               | H-20                                | C-17, C-20, C-22              |
| 22          | 0.98 (m)                    | 36.2               | H-20, H-23                          | 2001                          |
| 23          | 1.79 (m)                    | 24.9               | H-22, H-24                          | 161 ZI -                      |
| 24 9        | 5.02 (tt, 7.0, 1.5)         | 124.9              | Н-23                                | -                             |
| 25          | -                           | 131.2              | -                                   | -                             |
| 26          | 1.62 (s)                    | 25.7               | -                                   | C-25, C-24, C-27              |
| 27          | 1.53 (s)                    | 17.6               | -                                   | C-25, C-24, C-26              |
| 28          | 0.94 (s)                    | 28.1               | -                                   | C-3, C-4, C-5, C-29           |
| 29          | 0.81 (s)                    | 15.9               | -                                   | C-3, C-4, C-5, C-28           |
| 30          | 0.87 (s)                    | 17.1               | -                                   | C-8, C-13, C-14, C-15         |

**Table 9.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY and HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-1



**Figure 3.** Long-range correlations from HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-1

## 2. Structure Determination of Compound L-2

Compound L-2 was obtained as colorless needles from chloroform. The compound gave violet color to anisaldehyde-sulfuric acid reagent and a pink color to Libermann-Burchard test which suggested that it was a triterpenoid nucleus. The UV spectrum of compound L-2 (Figure 18) revealed characteristic absorption at 243 (log  $\varepsilon$  = 3.12) nm, indicating the presence of a transoid heteroannular diene group in the molecule. The IR spectrum of compound L-2 (Figure 19) showed absorption bands at 3436 (O-H stretching), 2929 (=C-H stretching, aliphatic), 1723 (C=O stretching, ester), 1442 (C-H stretching, methylene), 1374 (C-H stretching, methyl), and 1248 (C-O stretching) cm<sup>-1</sup>. In the EIMS, compound L-2 (Figure 20) gave a molecular ion peak [M]<sup>+</sup> at m/z 482 consistent with the molecular formula C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>50</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. The degree of unsaturation calculated for the molecular formula C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>50</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is eight.

The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectral data of compound L-2 (Figure 21) exhibited the presence of five tertiary methyl groups at  $\delta$  0.98 (3H, s; H-19), 0.93 (3H, s; H-29), 0.91 (3H, s; H-30), 0.86 (3H, s; H-28), 0.59 (3H, s; H-18) ppm; two geminal olefinic methyl groups at  $\delta$  1.66 (3H, s; H-26), 1.58 (3H, s; H-27) ppm; one secondary methyl group at  $\delta$  0.85 (3H, d, *J* = 6.41 Hz; H-21) ppm; one acetate methyl group at  $\delta$  2.04 (3H, s; H-32) ppm. The lowfield region also showed two oxygen-bearing methine signals at  $\delta$  4.49 (1H, dd, *J*  = 11.4, 4.4 Hz; H-3 $\alpha$ ) and 4.24 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 5.7 Hz; H-15 $\beta$ ) ppm, and three olefinic signals at  $\delta$  5.82 (1H, d, J = 6.4 Hz; H-7), 5.28 (1H, d, J = 6.1 Hz; H-11), and 5.06 (1H, tt, J = 7.2, 1.4 Hz; H-24) ppm. The signals at  $\delta$  1.00-2.40 ppm were the signals of methylene and methine proton.

The <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (Figure 22) and DEPT (Figure 23) of compound L-2 exhibited thirty-two carbon resonances, showing the existence of nine methyl carbons, two oxygenbearing methine carbons, three tri-substituted double bond carbons, three tertiary methine carbons, seven methylene carbons, seven quaternary carbons and an ester carbonyl carbons. The assignments of the carbon resonances were achieved by the HMQC experiment (Figure 26).

Most of the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data of compound L-2 were similar to those of compound L-1(polycarpol, [5]), except that the chemical shift of position 3 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.49,  $\delta_{\rm C}$ 80.1 ppm) of compound L-2 was more downfield than those of compound L-1 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.22,  $\delta$ <sub>c</sub> 78.9 ppm), and an adition methyl signal at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.04 ppm was presented. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR of compound L-2 also exhibited two additional signals ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  21.3 and 170.9 ppm) which were assigned to C-32 (methyl) and C-31 (ester carbonyl), respectively. The HMBC  $(^{n}J_{CH} = 8 \text{ Hz})$  spectrum of compound L-2 (Figure 27) showed the correlations of this methyl protons ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  2.04 ppm) and ester carbon ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  170.9 ppm), whereas the IR spectrum showed absorption bands at 1723 (C=O stretching, ester) cm<sup>-1</sup>, which confirmed the presence of an additional acetoxy group in this molecule. Thus, the structure of compound L-2 could possibly be proposed as having an acetate group instead of a hydroxy proton at C-3 position. The long range HMBC correlation ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) between H-3 $\alpha$  ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.49 ppm) to the acetate carbonyl carbon at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  170.9 ppm (C-31) also confirmed the position of the additional acetoxy group at C-3. The  $\beta$ -configuration of C-3 acetoxy groups was confirmed by the large coupling constant (J = 11.44 Hz) between H-3 $\alpha$  ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.49 ppm) and H-2 $\beta$  ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.72 ppm), and by observation of the NOE enhancement (Figure 24) between H-28 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.86 ppm, irr.) and H-3 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.49 ppm, enh. 1.16%). Furthermore, the NOE observed between H-18 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.59 ppm, irr.) and H-15 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.24 ppm, enh. 2.25%), confirmed the configuration of OH group at C-15 as  $\alpha$ -oriented. The NOE was also observed between H-18 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.59 ppm, irr.) and H-20 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.35 ppm, enh. 3.48%), indicating the configuration of the side chain at C-17 as  $\beta$ -oriented.

According to its spectroscopic data and using the same approach as compound L-1, compound L-2 was assigned the structure lanosta-7,9(11),24-trien-3 $\beta$ -acetoxy-15 $\alpha$ -ol [23], which is a novel triterpene derivative and was trivially named acetylpolycarpol.



**Figure 4.** Long-range correlations from HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8 \text{ Hz}$ ) spectral data of compound L-2

|          | $\delta_{\rm H}$ (ppm)         | $\delta_{C}$ (ppm) |                                     | HMBC                            |  |
|----------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Position | (multiplicity, J in Hz)        |                    | <sup>1</sup> H, <sup>1</sup> H-COSY | $({}^{n}J_{CH} = 8 \text{ Hz})$ |  |
| 1α       | 1.45 (dd, 13.43, 3.96)         | 35.4               | н 2                                 |                                 |  |
| β        | 1.96 (dt, 13.43, 3.36)         | 55.4               | 11-2                                | -                               |  |
| 2α       | 1.70 (ddd, 13.12, 4.42, 3.96)  | -24.2              |                                     |                                 |  |
| β        | 1.72 (ddd, 13.12, 11.44, 3.36) | 24.2               | H-1, H-3α                           | -                               |  |
| 3α       | 4.49 (dd, 4.42, 11.44 )        | 80.1               | H-2                                 | C-31                            |  |
| 4        | -                              | 37.6               |                                     | -                               |  |
| 5        | 1.17 (dd, 11.9, 3.96)          | 49.1               | H-6                                 | C-4, C-19, C-6                  |  |
| 6α       | 2.11 (dd, 6.41, 3.96)          | 22.6               | H-5                                 | _                               |  |
| β        | 2.14 (dd, 6.41, 3.96)          | 22.0               | 11-5                                | -                               |  |
| 7        | 5.82 (d, 6.41)                 | 121.0              | Н-6                                 | -                               |  |
| 8        | - / / / /                      | 140.9              | -                                   | -                               |  |
| 9        | -                              | 145.8              | -                                   | -                               |  |
| 10       | -///3                          | 37.3               | -                                   | -                               |  |
| 11       | 5.28 (d, 6.11)                 | 116.3              | H-12 <i>α</i> , H-12 <i>β</i>       | -                               |  |
| 12 α     | 2.28 (br.d, 17.49)             | 20.5               | H-11, H-12β                         |                                 |  |
| β        | 2.04(dd, 17.49, 6.11)          | 38.3               | H-11, H-12α                         | -                               |  |
| 13       | - / /156                       | 44.3               | -                                   | -                               |  |
| 14       | - 405                          | 51.9               | -                                   | -                               |  |
| 15 β     | 4.24 (dd, 9.62, 5.65)          | 74.8               | H-16β, H-16α                        | -                               |  |
| 16 α     | 1.75 (m)                       | 40.1               | H-158 H-17                          | _                               |  |
| eta      | 1.95 (m)                       | 10.1               | 11-1 <i>5p</i> , 11-17              |                                 |  |
| 17       | ~1.62                          | 48.9               | H-16, H-20                          | -                               |  |
| 18       | 0.59 (s)                       | 15.9               | -                                   | C-12, C-13, C-14, C-17          |  |
| 19       | 0.98 (s)                       | 28.4               | A Dec                               | C-1, C-5, C-9, C-10             |  |
| 20       | 1.35 (m)                       | 35.8               | H-21, H-22, H-17                    |                                 |  |
| 21       | 0.85 (d, 6.41)                 | 18.4               | H-20                                | C-17, C-20, C-22                |  |
| 22       | 1.03 (ddd, 9.77, 8.54, 4.88)   | 36.2               | H-20, H-23                          | 221                             |  |
| 23       | 1.84 (m)                       | 24.2               | H-22, H-24                          | 1012                            |  |
| 24       | 5.06 (tt, 7.18, 1.3)           | 124.9              | Н-23                                | -                               |  |
| 25       | -                              | 131.1              | -                                   | -                               |  |
| 26       | 1.66 (s)                       | 25.7               | -                                   | C-25, C-24, C-27                |  |
| 27       | 1.58 (s)                       | 17.6               | -                                   | C-25, C-24, C-26                |  |
| 28       | 0.86 (s)                       | 28.1               | -                                   | C-3, C-4, C-5, C-29             |  |
| 29       | 0.93 (s)                       | 16.8               | -                                   | C-3, C-4, C-5, C-28             |  |
| 30       | 0.91 (s)                       | 16.9               | -                                   | C-8, C-13, C-14, C-15.          |  |
| 31       | -                              | 170.9              | -                                   | -                               |  |
| 32       | 2.04 (s)                       | 21.3               | -                                   | C-31                            |  |

**Table 10.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (500 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY and HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-2

## 3. Structure Determination of Compound L-3

Compound L-3 was obtained as colorless crystals from ethyl acetate. The UV spectrum of compound L-3 (Figure 28) showed maximum absorption at 267 (log  $\varepsilon$  = 3.15) nm. The IR spectrum of compound L-3 (Figure 29) exhibited absorption bands at 1775 (C=O stretching, lactone carbonyl), 1738 (C=O stretching, acetate carbonyl), 1719 (C=O stretching, benzoate carbonyl), 3070 (=C-H stretching, aromatic), 2944 (=C-H stretching, aliphatic), 1561 (C=C stretching), 1450 (C-H stretching, methylene), 1365 (C-H stretching, methyl), and 1229 (C-O stretching, ester) cm<sup>-1</sup>. The EIMS of compound L-3 (Figure 30) revealed a molecular ion peak [M]<sup>+</sup> at m/z 302 , corresponding to the molecular formula C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>6</sub>. The degree of unsaturation calculated for the molecular formula C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>6</sub> is ten.

The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum (Figure 31) of compound L-3 indicated the presence of three olefinic protons at  $\delta$  5.30 (1H, d, J = 8.1 Hz; H-5), 6.20 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz; H-2), and 7.36 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz; H-3) ppm; one oxygen-bearing methine proton at  $\delta$  6.07 (1H, ddd, J = 8.1, 6.1, 4.1 Hz; H-6) ppm; one oxygen-bearing methylene proton at  $\delta$  4.43 (dd, J = 11.8, 6.1 Hz; H-7 $\alpha$ ) and 4.50 (dd, J = 11.8, 4.1 Hz; H-7 $\beta$ ) ppm; one acetate methyl groups at  $\delta$  2.02 (3H, s; H-16) ppm; monosubstituted aromatic protons at  $\delta$  7.37 (2H, t; *meta*-H), 7.50 (1H, d; *para*-H), 7.95 (1H, d; *ortho*-H) ppm.

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (Figure 32) and DEPT (Figure 33) exhibited sixteen carbon resonances, revealing the presence of one acetate methyl carbon, one oxygen-bearing methylene carbon, three olefinic methine carbons, one oxygen-bearing methine carbon, one oxygen-bearing quaternary carbon, three ester carbonyl carbons, five aromatic methine carbon, and one aromatic quaternary carbon.

The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR of compound L-3 showed fourteen protons and sixteen carbon signals at fourteen different frequencies, suggesting the molecular formula  $C_{16}H_{14}O_6$ . The IR spectrum showed three carbonyl absorptions in the ester carbonyl regions, corresponding to the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR at  $\delta_C$  168.2, 169.5, 165.7 ppm, therefore the presence of one unsaturated lactone ring (1775 cm<sup>-1</sup>) and two ester linkages (1738 and 1719 cm<sup>-1</sup>) was assumed. The HMBC (<sup>n</sup> $J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectrum of compound L-3 (Figure

37) represented long range coupling between methylene proton ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.50 and 4.43 ppm) and ortho-proton ( $\delta_H$  7.95 ppm) to ester carbonyl at  $\delta_C$  165.7 ppm, suggesting this carbonyl was benzoyl carbonyl. The ester carbonyl at  $\delta_C$  169.5 ppm exhibited long range coupling with methine proton at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.08 ppm, showing the connection between this ester carbonyl to the methine proton. The <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of compound L-3 (Figure 35) established the proton connections of H-6 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.08 ppm) to H-7 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.50 and 4.43 ppm) and H-6 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.08 ppm) to H-5 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.31 ppm), thus connecting the fragment to the benzoyl moiety. Two olefinic protons ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.20 and 7.36 ppm) coupled to each other with an unusually small coupling constant of 5.4 Hz, indicating that this double bond is part of an  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated- $\gamma$ -lactone ring. Both the ester carbonyl ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  168.3 ppm) and the quaternary carbon ( $\delta_{C}$  150.5 ppm), showing coupling in the HMBC (  $^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) experiment with the two olefinic protons ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.20 and 7.36 ppm), were assigned to constitute the lactone ring as C-1 and C-4, respectively. The connection of  $\alpha,\beta$ unsaturated- $\gamma$ -lactone ring with the olefinic proton at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.31 ppm was confirmed by HMBC experiment which established long range coupling between H-5 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.31 ppm) to C-4 ( $\delta_c$  150.3 ppm) and C-3 ( $\delta_c$  143.2 ppm). The configuration of these connection was cisoid, as confirmed by NOE enhancement (Figure 34) in which irradiation of the H-3 signal ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.36 ppm) resulted in the enhancement of the H-5 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.31 ppm)(7.42%) and H-2 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.20 ppm)(9.19%) signal. The assignments of the carbon resonances were achieved by the DEPT and the HMQC experiment (Figure 36).

By analyses of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR data of compound L-3 in comparison with previously reported (Jung *et al.*, 1991; Jung *et al.*, 1990a; Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991; Tiyawornan, 1998), compound L-3 was identified as (4*Z*)-7-benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide (acetylmelodorinol) **[12]**.



|          | Compound L-3              |              | Acetylmelodorinol         |              |  |
|----------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|--|
| Position | $\delta_{ m H}$ (ppm)     | $\delta_{c}$ | $\delta_{ m H}$ (ppm)     | $\delta_{c}$ |  |
|          | (multiplicity, J in Hz)   | (ppm)        | (multiplicity, J in Hz)   | (ppm)        |  |
|          |                           |              |                           |              |  |
| 1        | -                         | 168.3        | -                         | 168.5        |  |
| 2        | 6.20 (d, 5.4)             | 121.3        | 6.28 (dd, 5.6, 0.9)       | 121.5        |  |
| 3        | 7.36 (d, 5.4)             | 143.4        | 7.38 (d, 5.6)             | 143.3        |  |
| 4        |                           | 150.5        | -                         | 150.7        |  |
| 5        | 5.31 (d, 8.1)             | 108.6        | 5.33 (dd, 8.2 0.9)        | 108.8        |  |
| 6        | 6.08 (ddd, 8.1, 6.1, 4.1) | 67.0         | 6.15 (ddd, 6.2, 4.2, 8.2) | 67.4         |  |
| 7α       | 4.43 (dd, 11.8, 6.1)      | 64.4         | 4.52 (dd, 12.0, 6.2)      | 64.4         |  |
| β        | 4.50 (dd, 11.8, 4.1)      | 04.4         | 4.58 (dd, 12.0, 4.2)      | 04.4         |  |
| 8        |                           | 165.7        | -                         | 166.1        |  |
| 9        | -                         | 129.3        | -                         | 129.5        |  |
| 10, 14   | 7.95 (m)                  | 129.4        | 8.03 (m)                  | 129.7        |  |
| 11, 13   | 7.37 (m)                  | 128.2        | 7.45 (m)                  | 128.5        |  |
| 12       | 7.50 (m)                  | 133.1        | 7.58 (m)                  | 133.3        |  |
| 15       | · · ·                     | 169.5        | -                         | 169.8        |  |
| 16       | 2.02 (s)                  | 20.6         | 2.11 (s)                  | 20.8         |  |

**Table 11.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (300 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectral data of compound L-3 and <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectral data of acetylmelodorinol (Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991)

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**Figure 5.** Long-range correlations from HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-3

**Table 12.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY and HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-3

|          | δ <sub>H</sub> (ppm)      | $\delta_{C}$ (ppm) |                                     | HMBC                          |
|----------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Position | (multiplicity, J in Hz)   |                    | <sup>1</sup> H, <sup>1</sup> H-COSY | $(^{n}J_{CH} = 8 \text{ Hz})$ |
| 1        |                           | 168.3              | -                                   | -                             |
| 2        | 6.20 (d, 5.4)             | 121.3              | H-3                                 | C-1, C-3, C-4                 |
| 3        | 7.36 (d, 5.4)             | 143.4              | H-2                                 | C-1, C-2, C-4                 |
| 4        | -                         | 150.5              | -                                   | -                             |
| 5        | 5.31 (d, 8.1)             | 108.6              | Н-6                                 | C-3, C-4, C-6                 |
| 6        | 6.08 (ddd 8.1 6.1 4.1)    | 67.0               | H-5 H-7                             | C-4, C-5, C-7, C-             |
| 0        | 0.00 (uuu, 0.1, 0.1, 4.1) | 07.0               | 11 5, 11 7                          | 15                            |
| 7α       | 4.43 (dd, 11.8, 6.1)      | 64.4               | Н-6                                 | C-5 C-6 C-8                   |
| β        | 4.50 (dd, 11.8, 4.1)      | 04.4               |                                     | 0-5, 0-0, 0-8                 |
| 8        | 0.0110149                 | 165.7              | 911-19                              | -                             |
| 9        | หาวอเอรอโ                 | 129.3              | ວິທາງວິ                             | 0 I                           |
| 10, 14   | 7.95 (m)                  | 129.4              | H-11/13                             | C-8, C-9, C-12                |
| 11, 13   | 7.37 (m)                  | 128.2              | H-10/14, H-12                       | C-9, C-10/14                  |
| 12       | 7.50 (m)                  | 133.1              | H-11/13                             | C-10/14, C-11/13              |
| 15       | -                         | 169.5              | -                                   | -                             |
| 16       | 2.02 (s)                  | 20.6               | -                                   | C-15                          |

## 3. Structure Determination of Compound L-4

Compound L-4 was obtained as a yellow liquid. The UV spectrum of compound L-4 (Figure 38) revealed characteristic absorption at 270 (log  $\varepsilon$  = 3.06) nm. The IR spectrum of compound L-4 (Figure 39) showed absorption bands at 3457 (O-H stretching), 3075 (=C-H stretching, aromatic), 2954 (=C-H stretching, aliphatic), 1779 and 1750 (C=O stretching, lactone carbonyl), 1718 (C=O stretching, benzoate carbonyl), 1560 (C=C stretching), 1452 (C-H stretching, methylene), 1274 (C-O stretching, benzoate), 1114 (C-O stretching, benzoate), and 1070 (C-O stretching, alcohol) cm<sup>-1</sup>. In the EIMS, compound L-4 (Figure 40) gave a molecular ion peak [M]<sup>+</sup> at m/z 260 consistent with the molecular formula C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>5</sub> having degree of unsaturation as nine.

The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum (Figure 41) of compound L-4 exhibited the presence of three olefinic protons at  $\delta$  5.39 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz; H-5), 6.16 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz; H-2), and 7.33 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz; H-3) ppm; one oxygen-bearing methine proton at  $\delta$  5.12 (1H, dq, J = 8.4, 5.1 Hz; H-6) ppm; one oxygen-bearing methylene proton at  $\delta$  4.39 (2H, d, J = 5.1 Hz; H-7) ppm; monosubstituted aromatic protons at  $\delta$  7.36 (2H, t, J = 7.2 Hz; *meta*-H), 7.50 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz; *para*-H), 7.95 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz; *ortho*-H) ppm.

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (Figure 42) and DEPT (Figure 43) exhibited fourteen carbon resonances, revealing the presence of one oxygen-bearing methylene carbon, three olefinic methine carbons, one oxygen-bearing methine carbon, one oxygen-bearing quaternary carbon, two ester carbonyl carbons, five aromatic methine carbon, and one aromatic quaternary carbon. The assignments of the carbon resonances were achieved by the HMQC experiment (Figure 46).

The <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of compound L-4 (Figure 47) established the proton connections of the following: H-2 to H-3, H-5 to H-6, H-6 to H-7, H-10 and H-14 to H-11 and H-13, H-11 and H-13 to H-12.

The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectral data of compound L-4 are close to those of compound L-3 (acetylmelodorinol) **[12]**. The major difference in the IR spectrum was the presence of a broad OH absorption ( $3457 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). The acetate proton which were observed in compound

L-3 had disappeared from the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of compound L-4, while an additional hydroxy proton signal was observed (broad,  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.42 ppm). Moreover, the H-6 signal had shifted significantly upfield ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.11ppm) and the H-7 signal had shifted slightly upfield ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.39 ppm). The acetate methyl carbon ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  20.6 ppm) and the carbonyl carbon ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  169.5 ppm) signals had disapeared from the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (Figure 42) and DEPT (Figure 43) of compound L-4. Thus, compound L-4 could be assigned as having a hydroxy instead of an acetate group at C-6 position. The NOE difference data (Figure 44) in which irradiation of H-3 signal ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.33 ppm) enhanced the signals of H-5 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.39 ppm) (10.41%) and H-2 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.16 ppm)(11.53%), confirmed the cisoid configuration.

On the basis of these spectral data and comparison with previously reported data (Jung *et al.*, 1991; Jung *et al.*, 1990a; Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991), compound L-4 was identified as (4Z)-7-benzoyloxy-6-hydroxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide (melodorinol) [10]



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|          | Compound L-3                                   |       | Melodorinol               |                  |  |
|----------|------------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|------------------|--|
| Position | sition $\delta_{\rm H}$ (ppm) $\delta_{\rm C}$ |       | $\delta_{ m H}$ (ppm)     | $\delta_{\rm C}$ |  |
|          | (multiplicity, J in Hz)                        | (ppm) | (multiplicity, J in Hz)   | (ppm)            |  |
|          |                                                |       |                           |                  |  |
| 1        | - 20                                           | 169.1 | -                         | 169.1            |  |
| 2        | 6.16 (d, 5.4)                                  | 120.7 | 6.23 (dd, 5.4, 0.8)       | 120.9            |  |
| 3        | 7.33 (d, 5.4)                                  | 143.8 | 7.39 (d, 5.4)             | 143.7            |  |
| 4        |                                                | 149.8 | -                         | 150.0            |  |
| 5        | 5.39 (d, 8.4)                                  | 113.4 | 5.42 (dd, 8.2, 0.8)       | 113.0            |  |
| 6        | 5.12 (dq, 8.4, 5.1)                            | 65.3  | 5.18 (ddd, 5.7, 4.7, 8.2) | 65.7             |  |
| 7        | 1 30 (d 5 1)                                   | 67.3  | α 4.44 (dd, 11.4, 5.7)    | 67.4             |  |
| /        | 4.37 (d, 3.1)                                  | 07.5  | β4.47 (dd, 11.4, 4.7)     | 07.4             |  |
| 8        | -                                              | 166.5 | -                         | 166.7            |  |
| 9        | -                                              | 129.3 | -                         | 129.4            |  |
| 10, 14   | 7.97 (d, 7.2)                                  | 129.6 | 8.03 (m)                  | 129.7            |  |
| 11, 13   | 7.36 (t, 7.2)                                  | 128.3 | 7.42 (m)                  | 128.4            |  |
| 12       | 7.50 (t, 7.2)                                  | 133.2 | 7.56 (m)                  | 133.3            |  |
| OH       | 3.42 (br)                                      | -     | 2.96 (br)                 | -                |  |

**Table 13.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (300 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectral data of compound L-4 and <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectral data of melodorinol (Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991)

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**Figure 6.** Long-range correlations from HMBC (  ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-4

**Table 14.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY and HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-4

|          | δ <sub>H</sub> (ppm)    | $\delta_{C}$ (ppm) |                                     | HMBC                          |
|----------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Position | (multiplicity, J in Hz) |                    | <sup>1</sup> H, <sup>1</sup> H-COSY | $(^{n}J_{CH} = 8 \text{ Hz})$ |
| 1        |                         | 169.1              | -                                   | -                             |
| 2        | 6.16 (d, 5.4)           | 120.7              | H-3                                 | C-1, C-3, C-4                 |
| 3        | 7.33 (d, 5.4)           | 143.8              | H-2                                 | C-1, C-2, C-4                 |
| 4        | -                       | 149.8              | -                                   | -                             |
| 5        | 5.39 (d, 8.4)           | 113.4              | Н-6                                 | C-3, C-4, C-7                 |
| 6        | 5.12 (dq, 8.4, 5.1)     | 65.3               | H-5, H-7                            | C-4, C-7                      |
| 7        | 4.39 (d, 5.1)           | 67.3               | Н-6                                 | C-8                           |
| 8        |                         | 166.5              |                                     | -                             |
| 9        | -                       | 129.3              | -                                   | -                             |
| 10, 14   | 7.97 (t, 7.2)           | 129.6              | H-11/13                             | C-8, C-9, C-12                |
| 11, 13   | 7.36 (t, 7.2)           | 128.3              | H-10/14, H-12                       | C-9, C-10/14                  |
| 12       | 7.50 (t, 7.2)           | 133.2              | H-11/13                             | C-10/14, C-11/13              |
| ОН       | 3.42 (br)               | PIN 1              | 9115116                             | - D                           |

## 4. Structure Determination of Compound L-5

Compound L-5 was obtained as yellow liquid. The UV spectrum of compound L-5 (Figure 48) revealed characteristic absorption at 269 (log  $\varepsilon$  = 2.92) nm. The IR spectrum of compound L-5 (Figure 49) showed absorption bands at 3076 (=C-H stretching, aromatic), 2957 (=C-H stretching, aliphatic), 1790 and 1765 (C=O stretching, lactone carbonyl), 1735 (C=O stretching, acetate carbonyl), 1724 (C=O stretching, benzoate carbonyl), 1560 (C=C stretching), 1451 (C-H stretching, methylene), 1371 (C-H stretching, methyl), 1274 (C-O stretching, benzoate), and 1113 (C-O stretching, benzoate) cm<sup>-1</sup>. In the EIMS, compound L-5 (Figure 50) gave a molecular ion peak [M]<sup>+</sup> at m/z 302 consistent with the molecular formula C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>6</sub> of which the degree of unsaturation is ten.

The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum (Figure 51) of compound L-5 exhibited the presence of three olefinic protons at  $\delta$  5.70 (1H, d, J = 10.2 Hz; H-5), 6.31 (1H, dd, J = 5.4, 1.5 Hz; H-2), and 7.87 (1H, d, J = 5.4 Hz; H-3) ppm; one oxygen-bearing methine proton at  $\delta$  5.94 (1H, ddd, J = 10.2, 6.6, 4.2 Hz; H-6) ppm; one oxygen-bearing methylene proton at  $\delta$  4.46 (dd, J = 11.7, 6.6 Hz; H-7 $\alpha$ ) and 4.48 (dd, J = 11.7, 4.2 Hz; H-7 $\beta$ ) ppm; one acetate methyl groups at  $\delta$  2.07 (3H, s; H-16) ppm; monosubstituted aromatic protons at  $\delta$  7.43 (2H, t, J = 7.5 Hz; *meta*-H), 7.56 (1H, t, J = 7.5 Hz; *para*-H), 7.98 (1H, d, J = 7.5 Hz; *ortho*-H) ppm.

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum (Figure 52) and DEPT (Figure 53) exhibited sixteen carbon resonances, revealing the presence of one acetate methyl carbon, one oxygen-bearing methylene carbon, three olefinic methine carbons, one oxygen-bearing methine carbon, one oxygen-bearing quaternary carbon, three ester carbonyl carbons, five aromatic methine carbon, and one aromatic quaternary carbon.

The compound L-5 exhibited similar IR and EIMS spectral data to those of compound L-3 (acetylmelodorinol) [12], suggesting the similarity in functional groups. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectral data of compound L-5 are very close to those of compound L-3 (acetylmelodorinol) [12], except that the chemical shifts of H-3 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.87 ppm), H-5 ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.70 ppm), and C-4 ( $\delta_{\rm C}$  153.4 ppm) of this compound were more

downfield than those of compound L-3. Thus, the structure of compound L-5 could possibly be proposed as having transoid configuration, which was confirmed by NOE enhancements (Figure 54) in which irradiation of H-3 signal ( $\delta_H$  7.87 ppm) enhanced the signals of H-2 ( $\delta_H$  6.31ppm)(10.10%) and H-6 ( $\delta_H$  5.94 ppm)(11.28%), but not H-5 ( $\delta_H$  5.70 ppm). The <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of compound L-5 (Figure 55) established the proton connections of the following: H-2 to H-3, H-5 to H-6, H-6 to H-7, H-10 and H-14 to H-11 and H-13, H-11 and H-13 to H-12. The assignments of the carbon resonances were achieved by the DEPT and the HMQC experiment (Figure 56), and were confirmed by the HMBC ( ${}^nJ_{CH} = 8$  Hz) experiment (Figure 57). By analyses of these available spectral data and comparison with reported data, compound L-5 was thus identified as a known compound, (4*E*)-7-benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide **[13]** (Jung *et al.*, 1991; Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991).



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|          | Compound L-5               |                                         | (4 <i>E</i> )-7-benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4- |                  |  |
|----------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------|--|
| Position |                            |                                         | heptadien-4-olide                         |                  |  |
|          | $\delta_{ m H}$ (ppm)      | $\delta_{\rm H}$ (ppm) $\delta_{\rm C}$ |                                           | $\delta_{\rm C}$ |  |
|          | (multiplicity, J in Hz)    | (ppm)                                   | (multiplicity, J in Hz)                   | (ppm)            |  |
|          |                            |                                         | <u> </u>                                  |                  |  |
| 1        | -                          | 168.0                                   | -                                         | 168.7            |  |
| 2        | 6.31 (dd, 5.4, 1.5)        | 122.5                                   | 6.34 (dd, 5.7, 1.8)                       | 122.5            |  |
| 3        | 7.87 (d, 5.4)              | 140.2                                   | 7.91 (dd, 5.7, 0.8)                       | 140.2            |  |
| 4        | -////8/                    | 153.4                                   | -                                         | 151.5            |  |
| 5        | 5.70 (d, 10.2)             | 107.5                                   | 5.73 (ddd, 10.1, 1.8, 0.8)                | 107.5            |  |
| 6        | 5.94 (ddd, 10.2, 6.6, 4.2) | 67.7                                    | 5.98 (ddd, 6.7, 4.4, 10.1)                | 66.8             |  |
| 7α       | 4.46 (dd, 11.7, 6.6)       | 65.0                                    | 4.47 (dd, 11.8, 6.7)                      | 65.0             |  |
| β        | 4.48 (dd, 11.7, 4.2)       | 05.0                                    | 4.54 (dd, 11.8, 4.4)                      | 03.0             |  |
| 8        | -                          | 165.9                                   | -                                         | 166.0            |  |
| 9        |                            | 129.2                                   | -                                         | 129.2            |  |
| 10, 14   | 7.98 (d, 7.5)              | 129.6                                   | 8.01 (m)                                  | 129.6            |  |
| 11, 13   | 7.43 (t, 7.5)              | 128.5                                   | 7.46 (m)                                  | 128.5            |  |
| 12       | 7.56 (t, 7.5)              | 133.4                                   | 7.59 (m)                                  | 133.5            |  |
| 15       |                            | 170.0                                   | 2007                                      | 170.7            |  |
| 16       | 2.07 (s)                   | 20.9                                    | 2.09 (s)                                  | 20.9             |  |

**Table 15.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (300 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (75 MHz) spectral data of compound L-5 (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) and <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50 MHz) spectral data of (4*E*)-7-benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>) (Tuchinda *et al.*, 1991)

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**Figure 7.** Long-range correlations from HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-5

**Table 16.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz in CDCl<sub>3</sub>), <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY and HMBC ( ${}^{n}J_{CH} = 8$  Hz) spectral data of compound L-5

|          | δ <sub>H</sub> (ppm)                      | $\delta_{\rm C}$ (ppm) |                                     | HMBC                          |
|----------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Position | (multiplicity, J in Hz)                   |                        | <sup>1</sup> H, <sup>1</sup> H-COSY | $(^{n}J_{CH} = 8 \text{ Hz})$ |
| 1        | 7///20                                    | 168.0                  | -                                   | -                             |
| 2        | 6.31 (dd, 5.4, 1.5)                       | 122.5                  | H-3                                 | C-1, C-3, C-4                 |
| 3        | 7.87 (d, 5.4)                             | 140.2                  | Н-2                                 | C-1, C-2, C-4                 |
| 4        |                                           | 153.4                  | -                                   | -                             |
| 5        | 5 70 (d. 10 2)                            | 107.5                  | Н-6                                 | C-3, C-4, C-6,                |
|          | 5.70 (d, 10.2)                            | 107.5                  | II U                                | C-7                           |
| 6        | 5 94 (ddd 10 2 6 6 4 2)                   | 67.7                   | H-5 H-7                             | C-4, C-5, C-7,                |
| Ũ        | <i>c.s</i> ( <i>uuu</i> , 10.2, 0.0, 1.2) | 07.7                   | 110,117                             | C-15                          |
| 7α       | 4.46 (dd, 11.7, 6.6)                      | 65.0                   | — Н-6                               | C-5 C-6 C-8                   |
| β        | 4.48 (dd, 11.7, 4.2)                      | 05.0                   | เรกกร                               | 0 0, 0 0, 0 0                 |
| 8        |                                           | 165.9                  |                                     | , -                           |
| 9        | ฬาลงกรถ                                   | 129.2                  | าวทยาล                              | - 19                          |
| 10, 14   | 7.98 (d, 7.5)                             | 129.6                  | H-11/13                             | C-8, C-9, C-12                |
| 11, 13   | 7.43 (t, 7.5)                             | 128.5                  | H-10/14, H-12                       | C-9, C-10/14                  |
| 12       | 7.56 (t, 7.5)                             | 133.4                  | H-11/13                             | C-10/14, C-11/13              |
| 15       | -                                         | 170.0                  | -                                   | -                             |
| 16       | 2.07 (s)                                  | 20.9                   |                                     | C-15                          |

All isolated compounds have been tested for their *in vitro* cytotoxicity against Human breast cancer (BT 474), Human lung cancer (CHAGO), Human gastric cancer (KATO-3), Human hepatoma (HEP-G2), Human skin fibrobrast (Hs27), and Human colon cancer (SW620) cell cultures. Their cytotoxicity data were tabulated in Table 16.

| Compound    | Cytotoxicity IC <sub>50</sub> (µg/ml) |       |        |        |      |       |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|------|-------|
| 0 0 mp 0 mm | BT 474                                | CHAGO | KATO-3 | HEP-G2 | Hs27 | SW620 |
| L-1         | 10                                    | 9.7   | 8.3    | 7.3    | >10  | 5.5   |
| L-2         | >10                                   | >10   | >10    | >10    | >10  | >10   |
| L-3         | >10                                   | 8.7   | 8.4    | 4.2    | >10  | 5.7   |
| L-4         | 10                                    | 7.7   | 7.2    | 5.2    | >10  | 5.8   |
| L-5         | 8.6                                   | >10   | >10    | 6.9    | 9.4  | 5.7   |

 Table 17. Cytotoxicity data of isolated compounds

All of the isolated compounds showed weak to no activity against BT 474, CHAGO, KATO-3, HEP-G2, Hs27, and SW620 cell cultures. For the triterpenoid derivatives, compound L-1 exhibited greater cytotoxicity against BT 474, CHAGO, KATO-3, HEP-G2, and SW620 cell cultures than compound L-2. It should be noted that the position 3 of compound L-2 possesses a acetoxy functionality while at the same position of compound L-1 a hydroxy group is present. It appears that the substitution at position 3 of these compounds is important for cytotoxic activity. For the heptadiene derivatives, compound L-3 was more cytotoxic against CHAGO, KATO-3, and HEP-G2 cell cultures than compound L-5. Whereas L-3 and L-5 contain an acetoxy substitute at position 6, L-4 which has a hydroxy at this position of the lactone moiety and the substitution at position 6 of the heptene derivatives are important for cytotoxic activity.

# CHAPTER V CONCLUSION

Melodorum fruticosum Lour. (family Annonaceae) is one of the medicinal plants used in Thai traditional medicine. Chemical constituents of the bark, leaves, branches and flowers of this plant have previously been studied. In the present investigation, five compounds were isolated from the root and seeds of *M. fruticosum*. Two of these are compounds in the lanostane-type triterpenoid, of which one is a novel and the other is a known compound. The novel triterpenoid (L-2) was assigned the structure lanosta-7,9(11),24-trien-3 $\beta$ -acetoxy-15 $\alpha$ -ol and given the trivial name as acetylpolycarpol, whereas the other was assigned the structure lanosta-7,9(11),24-trien- $3\beta$ , 15 $\alpha$ -diol (polycarpol, L-1). Three other compounds isolated: (4Z)-7-benzoyloxy-6acetoxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide (acetylmelodorinol, L-3), (4E)-7-benzoyloxy-6-acetoxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide (L-5), and (4Z)-7-benzoyloxy-6-hydroxy-2,4-heptadien-4-olide (melodorinol, L-4) are known heptene derivatives. Compounds L-1, L-2, L-3 and L-4 were obtained from the root, while compounds L-3, L-4, and L-5 were obtained from the seeds of this plant. The structure elucidations of these compounds were based on various spectroscopic data. Compounds L-1, L-3, L-4, and L-5 showed weak activity against BT 474, CHAGO, KATO-3, HEP-G2, Hs27, and SW620 cell cultures. This study has offered additional information concerning the phytochemical constituents of Melodorum fruticosum Lour. The fruit and heartwood are recommended to investigate further for the complementary of the phytochemical study of this plant.

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## APPENDIX

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Figure 8. The UV spectrum of compound L-1 (in MeOH)













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Figure 12. The 75 MHz <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound L-1 (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



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Figure 28. The UV spectrum of compound L-3 (in MeOH)


































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Figure 42. The 75 MHz <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound L-4 (in CDCl<sub>3</sub>)









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