



Short Note

Kokosanolide D: A New Tetranortriterpenoid from Fruit Peels of Lansium domesticum Corr. cv Kokossan

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Abstract: A novel tetranortriterpenoid named kokosanolide D has been isolated from fruit peels of *Lansium domesticum*. The structure of kokosanolide D was elucidated primarily on the basis of spectroscopic data including infrared, 1D and 2D-NMR, as well as high resolution mass spectroscopy analysis and comparison with related compounds previously reported.

Keywords: kokosanolide; tetranortriterpenoid; Lansium domesticum; Meliaceae



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1. Introduction

Lansium domesticum Corr. (Meliaceae) is a tree that grows widely in Indonesia and various countries in Southeast Asia [1,2]. In addition, this tree is also found in Australia, Suriname and Puerto Rico [3]. Lansium domesticum Corr. cv Kokossan, which is commonly called "kokosan" in Indonesia, thrives and bears fruit during the rainy season [4]. Several types of triterpenoid compounds have been reported from *L. domesticum* Corr., such as tetranortriterpenoid [5], triterpenoid glycosides [6,7], onoceranoids [4,8–10] and cycloartane triterpenoids [11], which showed various biological activities, such as being antifeedant [12], anticancer [13], antibacterial [14], antimutagenic [15,16], and antimalarial [17].

During our previous research on triterpenoid compounds from Indonesian Meliaceae plants, we have isolated two tetranortriterpenoid compounds (kokosanolide A and C) from the fruit seeds and one onoceranoid type triterpenoid compound (kokosanolide B) from the bark of *L. domesticum* cv *Kokossan* [12]. In the present study, we isolated a new tetranortriterpenoid compound from the methanol extract of fruit peels of *L. domesticum* Corr. cv *Kokossan* which is named kokosanolide D (1) (Figure 1). The chemical structure of compound 1 is determined by spectroscopic data, including infrared, 1D and 2D-NMR and HRMS.

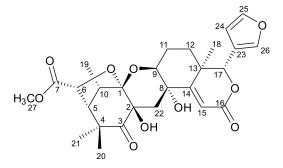


Figure 1. Chemical Structure of Compound 1.

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2. Results

Extraction and Isolation

The dried fruit peels of *L. domesticum* (1.7 Kg) was macerated at room temperature with n-hexane (5 × 2 L), ethyl acetate (5 × 2 L), and methanol (5 × 2 L). The solvents were removed by evaporation to give a crude n-hexane extract (86 g), ethyl acetate (110 g), and methanol (75 g). The methanol extract (75 g) was partitioned using butanol:H₂O (1:1) to give the butanol fraction (24 g). The butanol fraction (24 g) was fractionated by vacuum liquid chromatography on silica gel using a 10% gradient of n-hexane-ethyl acetate-methanol to give seventeen fractions (A–Q). Fraction G–H (2.9 g) was separated by silica gel open column chromatography using a 5% gradient of dichloromethane-ethyl acetate to give thirty-four fractions (GH1–GH34). Fraction GH13–15 (231.0 mg) was separated with silica gel open column chromatography using a 0.5–1% gradient of chloroform-acetone to give compound 1 (14.2 mg).

Kokosanolid D, colorless amorphous powder; HR-TOFMS m/z 517.2075 [M + H]⁺ (calcd. for $C_{27}H_{33}O_{10}$, m/z 517,2074); IR (KBr) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3441, 1760, 1726, 1698, 1440, 1392; ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) and ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) shown in Table 1.

	Table 1. ¹³ C-NMF	, ¹ H NMR and HMBC S	Spectral Data of Com	pound 1 in CDCl ₂ .
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Position	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (ΣH, mult., J (Hz))	НМВС
1	107.0	-	-
2	77.1	-	-
3	209.7	-	-
4	47.8	-	-
5	55.9	2.30 (1H, d, 4)	1, 3
6	76.7	4.82 (1H, d, 3.5)	7,4
7	172.0	-	-
8	67.8	-	-
9	73.4	4.16 (1H, d, 2.5)	8, 12, 14
10	36.5	3.29 (1H, d, 7)	4, 5, 6, 19
11	20.9	1.75 (1H, t, 3.5) 2.18 (1H, tt, 6)	9, 13
12	26.6	1.22 (1H, t, 13) 1.71 (1H, dd, 5)	13
13	38.4	-	-
14	167.5	-	-
15	117.4	6.46 (1H, s)	8, 13, 16
16	165.7	-	-
17	81.8	5.15 (1H, s)	12, 13, 14, 18, 23, 24, 26
18	19.7	1.26 (3H, s)	12, 13, 14, 17
19	11.8	1.16 (3H, d, 6.5)	1, 5, 10
20	23.1	0.98 (3H, s)	3, 4, 5, 21
21	29.6	1.37 (3H, s)	3, 4, 5, 20
22	34.4	2.40 (1H, d, 15) 3.02 (1H, d, 15)	1, 2, 8, 9, 14
23	119.7	-	-
24	110.2	6.43 (1H, s)	23, 25
25	142.8	7.39 (1H, s)	23, 24
26	141.5	7.48 (1H, s)	23, 24
27	52.5	3.67 (3H, s)	7

3. Discussion

Kokosanolide D (1) is obtained as colorless and amorphous from chloroform acetone. The molecular formula is determined to be $C_{27}H_{32}O_{10}$ by LC-ESI-MS data (m/z 517.2076, [M + H]⁺), which is combined with ^{1}H and ^{13}C -NMR spectral data (Table 1) with twelve degrees of unsaturation. The IR (KBr) spectrum shows bands which can be assumed to be derived from the hydroxyl groups (v_{max} : 3441 cm⁻¹), ketones (v_{max} : 1760 cm⁻¹),

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unsaturated ketones (v_{max} : 1726 cm⁻¹) isolated double bonds (v_{max} : 1698 cm⁻¹) and *gem*-dimethyl (v_{max} : 1440 cm⁻¹ and 1392 cm⁻¹).

¹H-NMR (Figure S1) showed three singlet signals (δ 0.98, 1.26, and 1.37) from the tertiary methyl group and one doublet from the secondary methyl group at δ 1.16 which correlated with H-10 (δ 3.29, 1H, d, 7). The singlet signal also appears in the lower field area (δ 3.67), which is thought to be the C-27 methoxy proton signal. A more refined analysis of the ¹H-NMR spectrum reveals the signal characteristics of the tetranortriterpenoid skeleton in the presence of β -substituted furan signals (δ 7.48, 7.39 and 6.43) and olefinic signals of α , β -unsaturated ketone (δ 6.46, 1H, s).

¹³C-NMR, DEPT and HMQC spectrum (Figures S2–S4) shows 27 carbon signals referring to the signal characteristics of the furan ring (δ 142.8, 141.5, 119.7, and 110.2), ketone (δ 209.7), two ester groups (δ 172.0 and 165.7), one carbon oxygenated by two oxygens (δ 107.0) and α , β -unsaturated ketone (δ 167.5 and 117.4), thus showing that compound 1 has a hexacyclic structure with the presence of furan groups. 1 H- 1 H COSY (Figure S5) shows the proton correlation of H₆/H₅, H₉/H₁₁, H₁₀/H₁₉, H₁₁/H₁₂, H₂₁/H₂₀, H₂₅/H₂₄ and H₂₆/H₂₄. These correlations indicate the presence of a tetranortriterpenoid skeleton with a furan ring [17]. The correlation of the partial structure was further explained by the HMBC correlation spectral data (Figures 2 and S6).

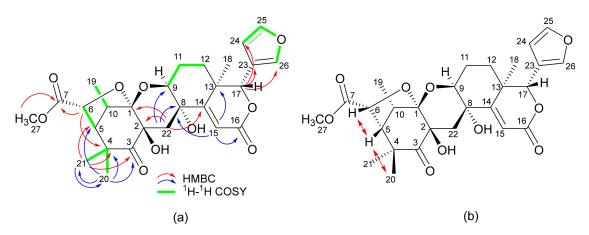


Figure 2. (a) ¹H-¹H COSY and HMBC and (b) NOESY correlations for compound 1.

The correlation of oxygenated H-17 (δ 5.17) to C-23 (δ 119.7), C-24 (δ 110.2) and C-26 (δ 141.5) shows that C-17 binds to the furan ring. The pyran ring position is confirmed by the correlations of H-22 (δ 2.40 and 3.02) with C-1 (δ 107.0), C-2 (δ 77.1), C-8 (δ 67.8), C-9 (δ 73.4) and C-14 (δ 167.5). An α , β -unsaturated δ -lactone ring system is determined by the correlation of H-15 (δ 6.46) which connected with C-8 (δ 67.8), C-13 (δ 38.4) and C16 (δ 165.7). The correlations arising from two methyl (δ 0.98 and 1.37) to C-3 (δ 209.7), C-4 (δ 47.8) and C-5 (δ 55.9) indicate that *gem*-dimethyl is bound to C-4. Another correlation between the carbomethoxyl (δ 3.67) and H-6 (δ 4.82) signals to the carbonyl ester (δ 172.0) determines the position of the ester group attached to C-6. Basically, the NMR data of compound 1 were similar to those of kokosanolide A [12]. The only difference lies in C-8. Kokosanolide A has C-8 (δ 34.6), which is a metine, while in compound 1, C-8 (δ 67.8) is a quaternary carbon that binds the hydroxyl group. The absence of a C-8 correlation with any protons in the HMQC data supports this suggestion. A NOESY spectrum shows H-5/ H-6/H20 correlation. This NOESY correlation is also found in kokosanolide A [12]. It can be assumed that kokosanolide A and compound 1 have the same stereochemical configuration and indicated that hydroxyl group C-8 should have α -orientation. Thus, the structure of compound 1 is determined to be a new tetranortriterpenoid from kokosanolide group named kokosanolide D.

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4. Materials and Methods

4.1. General Experimental Procedures

Mass spectra were measured with a waters Xevo QTOFMS (Waters, Milford, MA, USA). IR spectra were measure on a One Perkin Elmer infrared-100. NMR data were recorded on a JNM-ECZ500R/S1 spectrometer at 500 MHz for 1 H and 125 MHz for 13 C using TMS as an internal standard. Chromatographic separations were carried out on silica gel G60 (Merck, Darmstadt, Germany) and RP18 (Merck). TLC plates were pre-coated with silica gel GF254 (Merck, 0.25 mm), and detection was achieved by spraying with 10% H₂SO₄ in ethanol, followed by heating.

4.2. Plant Material

The fruit peels of *L. domesticum* were collected from Cililin, West Java, Indonesia in April 2018. The plant was identified and deposited in the Herbarium Laboratory of the Department of Biology, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Universitas Padjadjaran, Indonesia (Identification Number: 195/HB/08/2018).

5. Conclusions

A new tetranortriterpenoid was isolated from the methanol extract of fruit peels of *L. domesticum* Corr. cv *kokossan*, which is named kokosanolide D.

Supplementary Materials: The following are available online, Figure S1. 1H-NMR spectrum of 1 (500 MHz in CDCl₃), Figure S2. 13C-NMR spectrum of 1 (125 MHz in CDCl₃), Figure S3. DEPT_135° spectrum of 1 (125 MHz in CDCl₃), Figure S4. HMQC spectrum of 1, Figure S5. 1H-1H COSY spectrum of 1, Figure S6. HMBC spectrum of 1, Figure S7. NOESY spectrum of 1, Figure S8. Infrared spectrum of 1 (in KBr), Figure S9. HR-TOF-MS spectrum of 1, Figure S10. TLC profile of 1.

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