

COMPOSIÇÃO QUÍMICA DE *ANNONA CACANS* WARMING

Chemical Composition of *Annona cacans* Warming

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SUMÁRIO: Os alcalóides estefarina, assimilobina, michelalbina, lirioidenina, aristololactamas A-II e B-II foram isolados de *Annona cacans* Warming (*Annonaceae*) e identificados por espectroscopia.

UNITERMOS: *Annona cacans*, *Annonoaceae*, fitoquímica, composição química, alcalóides.

INTRODUCTION

Annona cacans Warming grows in the South and South eastern of Brazil. It is a tall tree and its edible fruit possess laxative properties. It belongs to *Annonaceae*, a family of mainly tropical plants that comprise about 120 genera, many of them (near 34) growing in the South America. Many specimens are known by their edible fruits, medicinal or pesticidal activities. Chemically this family of plants is characterized by isoquinoline-derived alkaloids, diterpenoids and flavonoids. The chemical composition of all parts of *A. cacans* Warming is not known.

We have isolated and identified by spectroscopic methods, from the stem of this plant, six aporphinoid alkaloids: one proaporphine, the stepharine; the aporphines assimilobine and michelalbina (isolated as its diacetate); the oxoaporphine lirioidenine, and two aristololactams: aristololactam A-II and B-II. The last two compounds hadn't been isolated before from this genera; there is notice of their presence only in *Schefferomitra subaequalis*^{1,2} and *Goniothalamus sesquipedalis*³; their presence in *Annona cacans* Warming may be of taxonomic significance.

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MATERIAL AND METHODS

PLANT MATERIAL - The plant material was collected in Botanical Institute of São Paulo, S.P., Brazil, in October, 1988, and a voucher specimen has been preserved at the herbarium of this Institute under n^o SP-205.260.

EXTRACTION AND ISOLATION OF THE ALKALOIDS - Air-dried, finely ground stem (5 kg) was defatted with hexane. The marc was exhaustively extracted at room temperature with 95% ethanol by percolation. The resulting extract was resuspended in water with 2 fold its volume and extracted with CHCl₃. The CHCl₃ layer was concentrated to give the extract A.

Extract A was chromatographed on a silicagel column, eluted successively with hexane, CHCl₃, EtOAc and MeOH.

The aqueous layer (extract B), was acidified with HCl and extracted with CHCl₃ and filtered. Then, the aqueous extract was alkalinized to pH 8 with NH₄OH and extracted with CHCl₃. The dried CHCl₃ extract was filtered and evaporated in vacuo yielding the total bases extract B1 (3.3g). This mixture was chromatographed on neutral aluminum oxide column. The column was gradually eluted with CHCl₃, EtOAc and MeOH.

RESULTS:

Extract A:

From extract A column we obtained lirioidenine (40 mg), aristololactams B-II (10 mg) and A-11 (17 mg). The substances were identified by IR, ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and mass spectroscopy and the spectra compared with literature data^{2,5,6,7,8,9}.

Extract B1:

From fractions 7-9, after purification by preparative TLC on neutral aluminum oxide, we isolated the main alkaloid, asimilobine (60 mg), identified by IR and ¹H NMR.

The spectras were compared with literature data^{4,5}. Fractions 10-11 and 13-14 were acetylated to prevent decomposition of alkaloids. From fraction 10-11 was isolated the proaporphine stepharine (6 mg), as its acetylated derivative, by preparative TLC on silicagel, eluted with CHCl₃-MeOH (90:10). Fraction 13-14 gave the michelalbine (30 mg) as its diacetate, purified by recrystallization with CHCl₃. The identification was carried out by ¹H NMR, IR and ¹H-¹H COSY spectroscopy. The spectras were compared with literature data⁵.

Physico-chemical data:

Asimilobine

red crystals, mp = 170-172^o C, C₁₇ H₁₆ O₂ N pm = 266, ¹H NMR (60 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS), 6.64s (H3), 2.82m (H4), 3.17 (H5), 3.80m (H6a), 7.23m (H8, H9, H10), 8.33m (H11), 3.58s (1-OMe), 4.05 (NH, OH) ppm.

Acetyl asimilobine

brown crystals, mp: 146 -148^o C, C₁₉ H₁₈ O₃ N pm = 308, NMR ¹H (80 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS): 2.16s (N-COCH₃); 2.30s (OCOCH₃); 3.55s (O-CH₃); 2.50-3.20m (H6); 6.83s (H3); 7.23m (H8, H9, H10); 8.30m (H11).

Michelalbine (acetyl)

light brown crystals mp: 240-2^o C, C₂₁ H₁₉ O₅ N pm = 365, IR: (1%, KBr) 3444, 3026, 2896, 2850, 1733, 1635, 1624, 1498, 1423, 1374, 1321, 1286, 1243, 1198, 1155, 1123, 1084, 1052, 1017, 937, 915, 861, 826, 766, 735, 688, 640, 589, 543, 515, 484 nm. NMR ¹H (200 MHz, CDCl₃, TMS). 6.63s (H3), 2.78m (H4), 3.33m, 4.00m (H5), 5.40d (J=2 Hz, H6a), 6.24d (J=2Hz, H7), 7.61 (H8), 7.33m (H9), 7.46m (H10), 8.18m (H11), 6.03, 6.13 (OCH₂O), 2.22s (N-Ac), 1.89s (O-Ac).

Liriodenine

Yellow crystals, mp = 270-80 C (decomp.), C₁₇H₉O₃N mw = 275, IR, (1%, KBr) : 3430, 3083, 3041, 2919, 1659, 1600, 1419, 1310 nm. UV (max. ethanol, log): 248 (4,40); 270 (4,32); 310 (3,80); 420 (4,03) nm. NMR (¹H 80 MHz, TFA, TMS) : 7.61s (H3), 8.12m (H4), 8.55m (H5), 8.89m (H8), 8.55m (H9), 7.79m (H10), 8.89m (H11), 6.70s (OCH₂O). MMN ¹³C (20 MHz, TFA) : 153.73 (C-4); 159.95 (C-3); 178.6 (C=O); 104.09; 106.06; 108.42; 123.27; 127.39; 128.3; 128.93; 129.66; 130.88; 133.48; 133.91; 135.3; 138.55; 144.72 ppm. MS m/z: 276 (M + 1, 18%); 275 (M+, 100%); 274 (M-1, 5%); 247 (22); 246 (23); 219 (12); 217 (10); 191 (12) 190 (14); 189 (21); 188 (36); 163 (13); 162 (23); 161 (15); 123 (15); 111 (10); 97 (12); 95 (17); 94 (19); 85 (12); 81 (24).

Aristolactam B-II

yellow crystals, mp: 251⁰ C (decomp.), C₁₇H₁₃O₃N mw = 279, IR (1% KBr) : 3150, 3005, 1660, 1505, 1720 nm. NMR ¹H (DMSO-d₆, 200MHz) : 7.89s (H2), 9.12 (H5), 7.58m (H6, H7), 7.95m (H8), 7.15s (H9), 4.03s (3-OMe), 4.05s (4-OMe), 10.9s (NH) . NMR ¹³C (20 MHz, DMSO-d₆): 57.16 (3-OMe); 60.17 (4-OMe); 150.76 (C-4); 154.44 (C-3); 168.75 (C=O); 120.14; 121.65; 125.77; 126.13; 127.04; 127.73; 129.22; 134.95; 135.19 ppm. MS m/z 280 (M+1, 16.5%); 279 (M+100%); 278 (M-1, 2.8); 265 (2.7); 264 (15); 236 (14); 235 (3.5); 221 (14); 218 (9.5); 209 (11); 193 (18); 181 (14.5); 165 (16); 164 (20); 150 (6); 138 (8); 137 (5).

Aristolactam A-II

yellow crystals, mp.: 280 - 284⁰ C (decomp.), C₁₆H₁₁O₃N mw = 265, IR (KBr 1%) : 3280, 3170, 3000, 2930, 1705, 1430, 1370, 1305. NMR (¹H 60 MHz, DMSO-d₆, TMS) : 7.67s (H2), 9.14m (H5), 7.58m (H6, H7), 7.93m (H8), 7.13s (H9), 4.05s (4-OMe), 10.79s1 (NH)ppm. RMN ¹³C (20 MHz, DMSO-d₆) 59.55 (4-OMe); 149.0 (C-4); 152.2 (C-3); 168.63 (C=O); 104.06; 113.52; 120.43; 121.83; 122.46; 125.34; 126.07; 126.83; 127.33; 128.98, 134.88; 135.34 ppm.

Stepharine (acetil)

light brown crystals, mp - 218 - 222° C, C₂₀ H₂₁ O₄N mw = 339, IR (CHCl₃ film) - 3008, 2936, 2873, 2848, 1662, 1634, 1492, 1458, 1437, 1417, 1365, 1320, 1285, 1218, 1123 nm. NMR ¹H (200 MHz, CDCl₃/TMS): 6.70s (H3), 2.75m (H4), 3.13m, 3.96m (H5), 5.10dd (J=10.0, 5.5Hz H6a), 2.13m (H7), 6.82dd (J=9.0, 2.2Hz, H8), 6.30dd (J=9.0, 1.8Hz H9), 6.39dd (J=9.0, 1.8Hz, H11), 7.03dd (J=9.0, 2.2Hz, H12), 3.62s (1-OMe), 3.83s (2-OMe), 2.23s (H-AC). MS m/z: 340 (M+1, 23%); 338 (M-1, 15%); 339 (M+, 100%) 297 (68); 296 (45); 283 (21); 280 (21); 268 (25); 267 (46); 265 (10); 254 (15); 253 (15); 238 (10); 237 (10).

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SUMMARY: The alkaloids stepharine, asimilobine, michelalbine, liriodenine, aristololactam A-II and aristololactam B-II were isolated from *Annona cacans* Warming (Annonaceae) and identified by spectroscopy.

UNITERMS: *Annona cacans*, Annonaceae, Phytochemistry chemical composition, alkaloids

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