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Sporiolides A and B, New Cytotoxic Twelve-Membered Macrolides from a Marine-Derived Fungus *Cladosporium* Species

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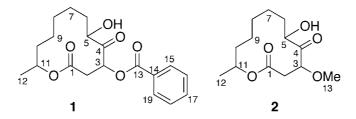
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Abstract: Two new cytotoxic twelve-membered macrolides, sporiolides A (1) and B (2), were isolated from the cultured broth of a fungus *Cladosporium* sp., which was separated from an Okinawan marine brown alga *Actinotrichia fragilis*, and the structures were elucidated by spectroscopic data. Sporiolides A (1) and B (2) exhibited cytotoxicity against murine lymphoma L1210 cells. Spoliolide A (1) showed antifungal activity against *Cryptococcus neoformans* and *Neurospora crassa*.

Keywords: marine-derived fungus, Cladosporium sp., macrolide; cytotoxic.

Introduction

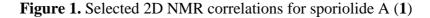
Marine microorganisms such as bacteria, fungi, and microalgae have proven to be a rich source of structurally novel and biologically active secondary metabolites [1]. In our search for new substances from marine microorganisms [2], two new cytotoxic twelve-membered macrolides, sporiolides A (1) and B (2), were isolated from the cultured broth of a fungus *Cladosporium* sp., which was separated from an Okinawan marine brown alga *Actinotrichia fragilis*. In this paper we describe the isolation and structure elucidation of 1 and 2.

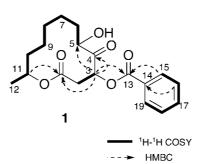


Results and Discussion

The fungus *Cladosporium* sp. (L037) was separated from the brown alga collected off Seragaki Beach, Okinawa Island, and grown in SC broth [starch (1%) and casein (0.1%) in 50% sea water, pH 7.4] at 28°C for 14 days. The filtrate of the cultured broth (10 L) was extracted with EtOAc (1 L x 2). The EtOAc-soluble portions (58 mg) were subjected to a silica gel column (hexane/EtOAc, 70:30) followed by C₁₈ reversed-phase HPLC (Develosil ODS-5, Nomura Chemical, 1.0 x 25 cm: flow rate 2.5 mL/min; UV detection at 254 nm; eluent: MeOH/H₂O, 70:30) to give sporiolides A (**1**, 2.7 mg) and B (**2**, 11.5 mg) together with a known related macrolide, cladospolide D [3] (7.0 mg). On the other hand, other known compounds, cladospolide A [4-6] (5.0 mg), iso-cladospolide B [7] (2.0 mg), and seco-patulolide C [7] (3.0 mg), were isolated from the EtOAc extract of the mycelium.

Sporiolide A (1) { $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -14° (*c* 0.2, MeOH)} was obtained as colorless amorphous solid. The molecular weight of **1** was elucidated to be 348 Dalton on the basis of FABMS data that showed the pseudomolecular ion at m/z 371 (M+Na)⁺. The molecular formula, C₁₉H₂₄O₆, of **1** was established by HRFABMS data [m/z 371.1483, (M+Na)⁺, Δ +1.2 mmu]. The IR spectrum suggested the presence of hydroxy (3426 cm⁻¹), unsaturated ester and/or ketone carbonyl (1724 cm⁻¹) groups. The UV absorptions at 237 (9200) and 209 (11700) nm indicated the presence of benzoyl chromophore. The ¹H NMR (Table 1) spectrum of **1** showed proton signals due to a benzoyl group [δ_H 8.05 (2H, m), 7.56 (1H, m), and 7.43 (2H, m)].





			1					2		
position	$\delta_{\rm H}$	а		$\delta_{\rm C}{}^b$		$\delta_{\rm H}$	a I		$\delta_{\rm C}{}^b$	
1				168.8	S				171.5	S
2	3.52	dd	18.0, 9.8	40.5	t	3.30	m		42.2	t
	2.95	d	18.0			2.66	m			
3	5.90	d	9.8	67.4	d	4.46	dd	9.0,2.0	74.1	d
4 5				207.1	S				207.8	S
5	4.40	m		76.0	d	4.36	dd	6.1,1.8	75.8	d
6	2.02	m		30.5	t	1.99	m		30.5	t
	1.77	m				1.69	m			
7	1.34	m		19.0	t	1.47	m		22.8	t
	1.17	m				1.05	m			
8	1.50	m		26.6	t	1.37^{a}	m		26.6	t
	1.12	m								
9	1.27	m		22.6	t	1.50	m		23.5	t
	1.21	m				1.42	m			
10	1.67	m		33.4	t	1.59	m		33.6	t
	1.40	m				1.32	m			
11	4.89	m		74.4	d	4.89	m		73.6	d
12	1.46^{b}	d	5.3	20.8	q	1.22^{b}	d	6.5	21.0	q
13				165.5	s	3.45^{b}	S		58.2	q
14				129.2	s					-
15, 19	8.05	m		129.9	d					
16,18	7.43	m		128.4	d					
17	7.56	m		133.5	d					

Table 1. ¹H and ¹³C NMR Data of Sporiolides A (1) and B (2) in CDCl₃.

^{*a*}2H ^{*b*}3H.

Analysis of the ¹H-¹H COSY spectrum (Figure 1) revealed connectivities of C-2 to C-3 and C-5 to C-12. HMBC correlations of H-3 ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.90) to C-1 ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 168.8), C-4 ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 207.1), and C-5 ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 76.0) and H-11 ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.89) to C-1 indicated that **1** possessed a twelve-membered macrocyclic lactone with a ketone group at C-4 and a hydroxy at C-5. An HMBC correlation between H-3 to C-13 ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 165.5) revealed that the benzoyl group was attached to C-3. Thus, the structure of sporiolide A was assigned as **1**, which corresponded to be a 3-*O*-benzoyl form of pandangolide 1 [7].

Sporiolide B (2) { $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -33° (*c* 0.3, MeOH)} was obtained as colorless amorphous solid. The molecular weight of **2** was elucidated by *m/z* 281(M+Na)⁺ in the positive mode FABMS. The molecular formula, C₁₃H₂₂O₅, of **2** was established by HRFABMS data (*m/z* 281.1367 [M+Na]⁺, Δ + 0.2mmu). The IR spectrum suggested the presence of hydroxy (3429 cm⁻¹), unsaturated ester and/or ketone carbonyl (1710 cm⁻¹) groups. Detailed analysis of ¹H, ¹³C, and 2D NMR data revealed that the structure of **2** was similar to that of **1**, except for functional group at C-3. An HMBC correlation of H-3 (δ_H 4.46) to C-13 (δ_C 58.2, MeO) indicated the presence of a methoxy group at C-3. Thus, the structure of sporiolide B (**2**) was elucidated to be a 3-*O*-methoxy form of pandangolide 1 [7].

Sporiolides A (1) and B (2) were new twelve-membered macrocyclic lactones from the cultured broth of a marine-derived fungus *Cladosporium* sp. [8], although similar twelve-membered macrocyclic lactone such as cladospolide A has been obtained from a terrestrial fungus *Cladosporium* sp. and more recently, cladospolide D [3], *iso*-cladospolide B, *seco*-patulolide C, and pandangolides 1 and 2 have been isolated from an unidentified marine fungus [6,7], while pandagolides 2 and 3 were isolated from a marine-derived fungus *Cladosporium herbarum* [9]. Sporiolides A (1) and B (2) exhibited cytotoxicity against murine lymphoma L1210 cells with IC₅₀ values of 0.13 and 0.81 µg/mL, respectively. Sporiolide A (1) showed antifungal activity against *Candida albicans, Cryptococcus neoformans, Aspergillus niger*, and *Neurospora crassa* and antibacterial activity against *Micrococcus luteus*, while sporiolide B (2) had antibacterial activity against *Micrococcus luteus* (Table 2).

Test organisms		MIC (µg/ml)
	1	2
Micrococcus luteus	16.7	16.7
Bacillus subtilis	>33.3	>33.3
Escherichia coli	>33.3	>33.3
Candida albicans	16.7	>33.3
Cryptococcus neoformans	8.4	>33.3
Paecilomyces variotii	>33.3	>33.3
Aspergillus niger	16.7	>33.3
Neurospora crassa	8.4	>33.3

Table 2. Antimicrobial Activity of Sporiolides A (1) and B (2).

Mueller Hinton broth and Sabouraud dextrose broth were used for bacteria and fungi, respectively.

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Experimental

General

Optical rotations were measured on a JASCO DIP-1000 polarimeter. The IR and UV spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR-5300 and a Shimadzu UV-1600PC spectrophotometer, respectively. CD spectra were measured on a JASCO J-720 spectropolarimeter. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AMX-600 spectrometer. FAB mass spectrum was obtained on a JEOL HX-110 spectrometer using nitrobenzyl alcohol as a matrix.

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Fungal Material and Fermentation

The fungus *Cladosporium* sp. (L037) was separated from the brown alga *Actinotrichia fragilis*, which was collected off Seragaki Beach at Okinawa Island. Subcultures of the organism are deposited at Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Hokkaido University. The fungus was grown in SC broth [starch (1%) and casein (0.1%) in 50% sea water, pH 7.4] at 28°C for 14 days. The cultured broth (10 L) was filtered.

Extraction and Separation

The filtrate of the cultured broth (10 L) was extracted with EtOAc (1 L x 2). The EtOAcsoluble portions (58 mg) were subjected to a silica gel column (hexane/EtOAc, 70:30) followed by C_{18} reversed-phase HPLC [Develosil ODS-5, Nomura Chemical, 1.0 x 25 cm: flow rate 2.5 mL/min; UV detection at 254 nm; eluent: MeOH/H₂O, 70:30] to give sporiolides A (1, 2.7 mg) and B (2, 11.5 mg) together with cladospolide D (7.0 mg). On the other hand, cladospolide A, isocladospolide B, and seco-patulolide C were isolated from the EtOAc extract of the mycelium.

Spectral Data

Sporiolide A (1): colorless amorphous solid; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -14° (*c* 0.2, MeOH)}; UV (MeOH) λ_{max} 237 (ϵ 9200) and 209 (11700) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3426, 1724, and 1633 cm⁻¹; ¹H and ¹³C NMR (Table 1); FABMS *m*/*z* 371 [M+Na]⁺; HRFABMS *m*/*z* 371.1483 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₁₉H₂₄O₆Na, 371.1471).

Sporiolide B (2): colorless amorphous solid; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -33° (*c* 0.3, MeOH); IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3429, 1710, and 1646 cm⁻¹; ¹H and ¹³C NMR (Table 1); FABMS *m*/*z* 281 [M+Na]⁺; HRFABMS *m*/*z* 281.1367 [M+Na]⁺ (calcd for C₁₃H₂₂O₅Na, 281.1365).

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