4.0 CHAPTER FOUR: RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

4.1 Phytochemical analysis

4.1.1 Structural elucidation of compounds from *Lonchocarpus eriocalyx* (Harms)

Preliminary validation of the extracts for bioactivity revealed that the *n*-hexane, DCM and MeOH extracts of the stem bark of *L. eriocalyx* were active against *P. falciparum*, *A. gambie* larvae, *B. anthracis*, and *A. niger*. This formed the the basis of fractionation of these crude extracts whereby lupeol (27), quercetin (65), apigenin (68) friedelin (133), β -sitosterol (134), lupenone (135), β -sitosterol-3-*O*-glucoside (136), chrysin (137) morinhydrate (138), quercetin-3-*O*-glucoside (139), 4',5-dihydroxystilbene 3-*O*-glucoside (140) and rutin (141) were isolated. These compounds were obtained after successive silica gel column chromatography and their structures elucidated using physical and spectroscopic (NMR and MS) methods as well as comparison with literature data.

4.1.1.1 Lupeol (27)

Compound **27** was isolated as white needle-like crystals; m.p. 214-216°C (Lit. 215-216°C; Saratha *et al.*, 2011). It gave a positive Libermann-Burchard test indicating a triterpenoid or steroid skeleton (Attarde *et al.*, 2010). The IR spectrum v_{max} (KBr) had significant peaks appearing at 3315 and 1650 cm⁻¹ typical of OH and olefinic functional groups. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (**Table 7**) had signals consistent with a pentacyclic lupane-type triterpene with olefinic protons appearing at δ 4.57 and 4.67 (1H each, d, H_{α} -29 and H_{β} -29) (Pavia *et al.*, 2009). The latter signals were confirmed by the appearance on the ¹³C NMR spectrum of olefinic carbons at δ 149 for C-20 which was downfield typical of a quaternary Sp² carbon. Another upfield signal at δ 108.1 was due to the

olefinic carbon at C-29 (Pavia *et al.*, 1979). Both the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra (Appendix 1) showed a signal typical of hydroxymethine group (H-3) at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.20 (dd, J = 11.4, 4.8Hz) with corresponding carbon (C-3) δ_C 77.7 attributed to oxygenated carbon atom (Thanakijcharoenpath and Theanphong, 2007). Seven singlets for tertiary methyl protons at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 0.76 (2 x CH₃, 23, 28-Me), 0.79 (24-Me), 0.83 (25-Me), 0.94 (26-Me), 1.02 (27-Me) and 1.20 (30-Me) (integrating for 3H each) with corresponding ¹³C NMR signals at δ_C 27.3 (C-23), 14.9 (C-24), 15.9 (C-25), 16.0 (C-26), 15.0 (C-27), 18.0 (C-28) and 19.5 (C-30) respectively as deduced from the HMQC which were in agreement with the structure of lupeol previously isolated from Lonchocarpus sericeus and Holarrhena floribunda (Abdullahi et al., 2013; Correa et a.l, 2009). The proposed structure was further supported by the EI-MS which had a molecular peak at 426 [M]⁺ consistent with formula C₃₀H₅₀O. Confirmation of lupeol structure was further substantiated by extensive analysis of the HMBC and significant EI-MS (70 eV fragments which appeared at m/z217 ($C_{16}H_{25}$) and 207 ($C_{14}H_{21}O$) (Figure 5). Thus, on the basis of physical and spectroscopic data as well as comparison with literature data, compound 27 was confirmed identified as lupeol.





Figure 4: Possible fragmentation pattern of compound **27** in EI-MS (70 eV)

С	¹ H Multiplicity, (<i>J</i> in Hz)	¹ H (Multiplicity, $(J \text{ in } Hz)$	¹³ C	¹³ C*
#				
1	-	_	38.7	38.7
2	-	-	27.2	27.4
3	3.20 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 11.4, 4.8)	3.23 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 11.5, 4.7)	77.7	79.0
4	-	-	38.7	38.9
5	-	-	54.0	55.5
6	-	-	18.6	18.5
7	-	-	34.3	34.2
8	-	-	41.7	40.9
9	-	-	49.2	50.5
10	-	-	37.5	37.2
11	-	-	21.3	21.0
12	-	-	37.9	38.1
13	-	-	38.0	38.1
14	-	-	41.6	42.9
15	-	-	28.6	27.1
16	-	-	35.9	35.5
17	-	-	42.9	43.0
18	3.10 (1H, dd, J = 11.0, 5.0)	3.15 (1H, dd, J = 11.5, 5.3)	49.2	48.3
19	-	-	48.0	48.0
20	-	-	149.7	151.0
21	-	-	30.0	29.9
22	-	-	39.6	40.0
23	0.76 (3H,s)	0.77, s	27.3	28.0
24	0.79 (3H s)	0.80, s	14.9	15.5
25	0.83 (3H,s)	0.82, s	15.9	16.1
26	0.94 (3H,s)	0.95, s	16.0	16.0
27	1.02 (3H,s)	1.10, s	15.0	14.8
28	0.76 (3H,s)	0.75, s	18.0	18.0
29	4.57 (1H,d, $J = 0.4$, H _{α} -29)	4.60 (d, $J = 0.5$, H _{α} -29)	108.1	109.0
	4.67 (1H,d, $J = 0.5$, H _{β} -29)	4.70 (d, $J = 0.6$, H _{β} -29)		
30	1.20 (3H, s)		19.5	19.7

Table 7: ¹H (300 MHz) and ¹³C (75 MHz) NMR (CDCl₃) data for Lupeol (27)

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Abdullahi *et al.*, 2013)

4.1.1.2 Quercetin (65)

Compound 65 was isolated as a pale yellow amorphous powder with R_f value of 0.5 (eluent, CH₂Cl₂-MeOH, 98:2) and m.p. 314-316°C (Lit. 316-318°C; Esra, et al., 2015). The yellow colour intensified on exposure to conc. ammonia vapour and also turned dark brown when sprayed with ferric chloride solution suggesting that it could be a flavonoid derivative. The UV spectrum of this compound run in MeOH solution exhibited two major absorption bands at λ_{max} 258 (band I) and 358 (band II) nm for ring A and B typical of flavonols (Sathyadevi, 2015). The IR spectrum showed the presence of hydroxyl (3500-2500 cm⁻¹), and α , β -unsaturated carbonyl (1610 cm⁻¹) and aromatic ring (1600 cm⁻¹) (Heneczkowski et al., 2001). The ¹H NMR spectral data (**Table 8**) revealed two sets of aromatic system; AX system at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.19, (d, J = 1.8 Hz) for H-6 and 6.41 (d, J = 1.8 Hz) for H-8 and an ABX system at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.68 (d, J = 1.8 Hz) for H-2', 7.33 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz) for H-6' and 6.89 (d, J = 8.4 Hz) for H-5' which suggested a flavonol pattern similar to quercetin (Sathyadevi, 2015). In addition, there was a signal at δ 12.48 representing a strongly hydrogen bonded C-5 hydroxyl group (Batterham and Highet, 1963). The ¹³C NMR spectroscopic data (**Table 8**) of compound **65** revealed the presence of a flavonol skeleton of 15 carbons, including five aromatic CH and ten quartenary carbons (one carbonyl and six C-O-bearing carbons) as evidenced by DEPT 135 NMR spectrum (Appendix 2). This further suggested that compound 65 is 3,5,7,3',4'pentahydroxyflavone, commonly known as quercetin (Sathyadevi, 2015). The molecular ion peak at m/z 301 which is consistent with a molecular formula C₁₅H₁₀O₇ together with daughter ion at m/z 153 and 137 (Figure 6) confirmed that the compound is quercetin Thus, on the basis of spectroscopic and physical data; this compound was identified as quercetin.



Table 8: ¹H NMR data (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) and ¹³C NMR data (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) for Quercetin (65)

C #	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$ *	¹³ C	¹³ C*
	Multiplicity,	Multiplicit		
	(J in Hz)	(J in Hz)		
2	-	-	147.7	148.0
3	-	-	135.6	137.0
4	-	-	175.8	177.0
5	-	-	160.7	162.0
6	6.19 (d, <i>J</i> =1.8)	6.20 (d, $J = 2$)	98.1	99.0
7	-		163.8	165.0
8	6.41 (d, <i>J</i> =1.8)	6.39 (d, $J = 2$)	93.3	94.0
9	-	-	156.1	161.0
10	-	-	103.0	104.0
1'	-	-	122.0	124.0
2'	7.68 (d, <i>J</i> =1.8)	7.7 (d, $J = 2$)	115.0	115.0
3'	-	-	146.8	148.0
4'	-	-	145.0	146.0
5'	6.89 (d, <i>J</i> =8.4)	6.86 (d, $J = 8.3$)	120.0	116.0
6'	7.53 (dd, $J = 8.4, 2.4$)	7.58 (dd, $J = 8.3$)	122.0	121.0
3-OH	10.81, s	11.00	-	
5-OH	12.48, s	12.50		
7-OH	9.60, s	9.80	-	
3'-OH	9.40, s	9.60	-	
4'-OH	-	-	-	

¹H* and ¹³C NMR data (Sathyadevi, 2015)



Figure 5: RDA fragmentation of compound 65: EI-MS (70 eV) (Sathyadevi, 2015)

4.1.1.3 Apigenin (68)

Compound **68** was isolated as a yellow amorphous powder m.p. 346-348°C (Lit. 345-350°C; Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013). The yellow colour intensified on exposure to conc. ammonia vapour. It also turned dark brown upon spraying with ferric chloride solution suggesting that it was a flavonoid (Batterham and Highet, 1963). The UV spectrum of compound **68** in MeOH showed absorption maxima at λ_{max} 268 (band I) and 336 (band II) nm suggesting that **68** is flavone derivative with no hydroxyl at C-3 (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013; Dordevic *et al.*, 2001; Mabry *et al.*, 1970). This was supported by a singlet at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.60 in the ¹H NMR spectrum representing the H-3 signal confirming a flavone molecule. The ¹H NMR spectral data (**Table 9**, **Appendix 3**) of compound **68** showed the presence of two *meta*-coupled aromatic doublets at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.70 (1H, *J* = 2.2 Hz) and δ 6.46 (1H, *J* = 2.2 Hz) corresponding to H-8 and H-6 respectively (Mabry *et al.*, 1970). In ring A, an AA'XX' system at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.86 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz) and 6.94 (d, J = 9.0 Hz) were assigned to H-3'/H-5' and H-2'/H-6,' respectively. Therefore the ¹H NMR spectral data (**Table 9, Appendix 3**) is consistent with a 5,7,4'-trisubstituted flavone (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013, Batterham and Highet, 1964). In agreement with this, the ¹³C NMR data (**Table 9**) showed the presence of fifteen carbon signals sorted out into six aromatic CH, CH of double bond and eight quaternary carbons including a conjugated carbonyl carbon of a flavone. The ESI-MS showed a molecular ion peak at m/z 270 which is 32 amu less than that of compound **68** corresponded to C₁₅H₁₀O₅ This together with typical RDA fragmentation (**Figure 7**) appearing at m/z; 153 and 121 confirmed the presence of 5,7,4'-trihydroxyflavone (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013). Thus basing on physical and spectroscopic data as well as comparison with data already reported in various literatures, this compound was identified as apigenin (**68**). This compound is widely reported in this genus, similar taxa and related plants (Oyedeji *et al.*, 2015).



Figure 6: RDA fragmentation of compound 68 in EI-MS (70 eV) (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013)

ATOM	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	'H*	¹³ C	¹³ C*
	Multiplicity,	Multiplicity,		
	$(J \text{ in } \mathbf{Hz})$	(J in Hz)		
2	-	-	164.0	164.2
3	6.60 s	6.62 s	103.9	106.5
4	-	-	180.7	180.8
5	-	-	164.4	164.5
6	6.70 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.2)	6.88 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.1)	104.8	104.8
7	-	-	160.0	160.0
8	6.46 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.8)	6.68 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.1)	95.1	98.8
9	-	-	160.7	160.7
10	-	-	109.5	109.6
1'	-	-	123.2	123.3
2'	7.86 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	7.81 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.8)	129.2	129.3
3'	6.94 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	6.95 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.8)	117.1	117.0
4'	-	-	162.5	162.6
5'	6.94 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	6.95 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.8)	116.0	117.0
6'	7.86 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	7.81 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.8)	129.5	129.3

Table 9: ¹H (300 MHz) and ¹³C (75 MHz (CD₃OD) NMR data for Apigenin (68)

¹H^{*} and *¹³C NMR data (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013)

4.1.1.4 Freidelin (133)

Compound **133** was isolated as white powder, m.p. 254-256°C (Lit. 260-262°C; Majidul *et al.*, 2015). It gave a positive Libermann-Burchard test suggesting that it could be a terpene/sterol (Attarde *et al.*, 2010). The IR spectrum (**Appendix 4**) of this compound showed an intense band at 1702 cm⁻¹ suggesting the presence of a carbonyl moiety in the compound (Grasiely *et al*, 2012). In the ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 10**, **Appendix 4**), a doublet at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 1.20 (J = 6.8 Hz, 23-Me), integrating for three protons together with resonances for seven tertiary methyl groups observed at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 0.74 (25-Me), 0.88 (29-Me), 0.89 (30-Me), 0.91 (26-Me), 1.02 (24-Me), 1.03 (27-Me) 1.20 (23-Me) and 1.07 (28-Me) with corresponding ¹³C NMR signals (**Appendix 4**) at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 20.5 (C-25), 32.4 (C-29), 32.7 (C-30), 18.9 (C-26), 14.9 (C-24), 18.5 (C-27), 7.1 (C-23), 18.9 (C-26) and 32.1 (C-28),

suggested that the compound was a friedelone-type triterpene (Jong et al., 2012). The fore-going evidence was further supported by the appearance of a quartet signal integrating for one proton at δ 2.27 which was assigned to H-4. The ¹³C NMR spectral data (**Table 10**) showed the presence of 30 carbon signals resolved into eight sp³ methyls, eleven sp^3 methylenes, four sp^3 methines, six sp^3 quartenary carbons and one sp^2 quartenary carbon as evidenced by 135 DEPT experiment. The presence of a C=O carbon was supported by a signal at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 213.4 typical of a ketonic carbon (Majidul *et al.*, 2015). The EI-MS (70 eV) afforded a molecular ion peak at m/z 426 which suggested the molecular formula $C_{30}H_{30}O$. This together with the fragmentation pattern in the EI-MS spectrum (Figure 8) strongly suggested that the compound was friedelin. In fact, the presence of signals due to one secondary and six quartenary methyls in the ¹³C NMR spectrum together with cross correlation between a doublet at methyl signal at δ 1.20 and a quartet of methine at δ 2.27 in the ¹H-¹H COSY spectrum strongly supported the structure of the compound as friedelin (Majidul et al., 2015; Grasiely et al, 2012). Thus on the basis of spectroscopic evidence, compound 133 was identified as friedelin.



C #	¹ H Multiplicity, (<i>J</i> in Hz)]	¹ H* Multiplicity, (<i>J</i> in Hz)]	¹³ C	¹³ C*
1	1.76 (dd, <i>J</i> = 13.0, 7.5)	1.82 (dd, <i>J</i> = 12.8, 8.0)	22.5	22.3
2	2.25 (H- $_{\alpha}$, d, <i>J</i> = 6.8) 2.72 (H- $_{\beta}$,dd, <i>J</i> = 13, 7.5)	2.54 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.0) 2.76 (dd, <i>J</i> = 13.5, 8.0)	41.6	41.5
3	-	-	213.4	213.2
4	2.27, $(q, J = 5.4)$	2.37, m	58.5	58.2
5	-	-	42.4	42.2
6	1.62 (dd, J = 11.4, 5.2)	1.56 (dd, J = 11.5, 5.6)	41.4	41.3
7	1.31, m	1.31	36.3	35.8
8	1.39, m	1.39	53.4	53.1
9	-		37.7	37.5
10	1.39, m	1.30	59.8	59.5
11	1.56, m	1.56	33.5	33.2
12	1.56, m	1.56	30.8	30.5
13	-	-	41.8	41.2
14	-	-	41.6	41.0
15	1.31, m	1.31	30.3	30.2
16	1.31, m	1.31	35.9	36.8
17	-	-	30.8	30.0
18	1.39, m	1.39	43.1	42.8
19	1.45, m	1.45	35.7	35.5
20	-	-	29.9	29.4
21	1.31, m	1.29	33.1	32.8
22	1.31, m	1.31	39.6	39.3
23-Me	1.20, (d, $J = 6.8$)	1.11	7.1	6.8
24-Me	1.02, m	1.04	14.9	14.7
25-Me	0.74, s	1.04	20.5	21.0
26-Me	0.91, s	1.04	18.9	18.8
27-Me	1.03, s	2.04	18.5	18.8
28-Me	1.07, s	1.04	32.1	32.1
29-Me	0.88, s	0.99	32.4	31.7
30-Me	0.89, s	0.99	32.7	31.8

Table 10: ¹H (300 MHz) and ¹³C (75 MHz) NMR (CDCl₃) data for Friedelin (133)

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Majidul *et al.*, 2015)



Figure 7: Fragmentation pattern of compound **133** in EI-MS (70 eV) (Grasiely *et al*, 2012)

4.1.1.5 β-sitosterol (134)

Both the *n*-hexane and the CH₂Cl₂ extracts of *L. eriocalyx* after repeated chromatographic separation afforded white needle-like crystals of R_f 0.63 (eluent n-hexane-CH₂Cl₂, 2:3), m.p 132-134°C [Lit. 136-138°C; Orabi, 2011]. It afforded a bluish-purple colour when sprayed with concentrated sulphuric acid on TLC, after heating at 100 °C for a minute. The ¹H NMR spectral data (**Table 11**, **Appendix 5**) displayed two tertiary methyl groups as singlets at δ 1.03 (18-Me) and 0.78 (19-Me). Three secondary methyls appearing as doublets at δ 1.12 (*J* = 6.5 Hz, 21-Me), 0.83 (*J* = 6.8 Hz, Me-27) and 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.8,

Me-26) together with a primary methyl triplet at δ 0.86 (J = 7.1 Hz, 29-Me) suggested the presence of C-29 sterol skeleton (Alam *et al.*, 1996). A characteristic signal for Δ^5 -sterol appeared at δ 5.35 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, H-6). The ¹³C NMR spectrum (**Table 11**, Appendix 5) showed the presence of 29 carbon atoms which were resolved into six methyl, eleven methylenes, nine methines and three non-protonated carbon as evidenced by 135 DEPT spectrum which accounted for 49 protons of the molecule. The remaining proton was part of the hydroxyl functionality evidenced by the ¹H NMR peak at δ 3.52. The presence of an exocyclic double bond at C-5 was substantiated by peaks appearing at δ_{C} 140.8 (C-5 and 121.7 (C-6). (Reginatto et al., 2001; Alam et al., 1996). The ESI-MS of this compound gave a molecular ion peak at m/z 414 suggesting a molecular formula of C₂₉H₅₀O with fragmentation pattern typical of sterol derivative (Luhata and Munkombwe, 2015). The daughter ions observed at m/z 396 was due to loss of H₂O from the molecular ion while the peak at m/z 273 was due to cleavage of C₁₇-C₂₀. (Reginatto et al., 2001). On the other hand, a fragment ion at m/z 303 was due to C₂₃-C₂₄ bond scission while the ion at m/z 381 was attributed to cleavage of C₂₃-C₂₄ from M⁺. Other significant ions observed in the EI-MS spectrum (**Appendix 5**) at m/z 354 represented M⁺-isopropyl-H₂O ion while at m/z 329 represented cleavage at C₂₃-C₂₄ which further confirmed the presence of a sterol derivative (Chaturverdula and Prakash, 2012). Additional evidence in favor of structure 134 as β -sitosterol was provided by comparison of physical and spectroscopic data with those reported in the literature for this compound (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2012, Alam et al., 1996). Thus, on the basis of spectroscopic data as well as comparison with literature, compound 134 was concluded to be β -sitosterol. Since there

was enough evidence confirming the structure of this compound, no further spectral analysis was done.



Table 11: ¹H (300 MHz) and ¹³C (75 MHz) NMR (CDCl₃) data for β -sitosterol (134)

C #	¹ H Multiplicity, (J	¹³ C	¹³ C*	C #	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	¹³ C	¹³ C*
	in Hz)				Multiplicity, (J in		
					Hz)		
1	1.43 (d, <i>J</i> = 3.2)	37.3	37.3	16	-	28.3	28.6
2	1.65 (d, $J = 5.6$)	31.7	31.7	17	-	56.1	56.1
3	3.52 m	71.8	71.8	18	1.03 s	12.0	12.1
4	2.19 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.8)	39.8	42.4	19	0.78, s	19.4	20.6
5	-	140.8	140.8	20	1.33 m	11.7	12.2
6	5.35 (d, <i>J</i> = 5.2)	121.7	121.9	21	1.12 (d, <i>J</i> =6.5)	19.3	19.4
7	1.52 (d, <i>J</i> = 12.4)	31.9	31.9	22	1.20, m	46.8	46.1
8		31.7	31.9	23	1.20, m	23.1	23.1
9		50.1	50.2	24	1.26, m	45.9	46.0
10		36.5	36.6	25	1.67, m	23.1	30.0
11		21.1	21.0	26	0.84 (d, J = 6.8)	19.0	19.6
12		37.2	39.8	27	0.83 (d, $J = 6.8$)	19.6	20.0
13		42.3	42.3	28	1.20, m	23.1	22.7
14		56.8	56.8	29	0.86 (t, J = 7.1)	11.9	11.4
15		24.3	24.4				
3-OH	3.52 (m)						

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2012)

4.1.1.6 Lupenone (135)

Along with compound 27 was isolated another white powder; compound 135 with R_{f} 0.48 (eluent: n-hexane-CH₂Cl₂, 2:3) and m.p. 254-256°C (Lit. 260-262°C, Aher et al., 2010). Like in the case of compound 27, it gave a positive Liebermann-Burchand test (Attarde *et al.*, 2010), suggesting that it could be a terpene or sterol derivative. The EI-MS of this compound gave the M^+ ion at m/z 424 which is 2 amu less than that of 27 corresponding to $C_{30}H_{48}O$ formula. In addition to the molecular formula, both ¹H and ¹³C NMR data (**Table 12**, **Appendix 6**) of this compound were in agreement with compound 27 except for the absence of oxymenthine proton which appeared at δ 3.20 in the latter compound. Apparently, in compound 135, the oxymethine proton was replaced by a keto moiety as evidenced by a peak at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 216 in the ¹³C NMR spectrum. Furthermore, the ¹³C NMR spectral data showed 30 distinct resonances attributed to 7 methyl, 11 methylenes, 5 methines and 7 quaternary carbons. The ¹H NMR data (Table 12, Appendix 6) supported the ¹³C NMR data by displaying 7 tertiary methyl groups at δ 1.11, 1.01, 0.92, 0.90, 0.83, 0.78 and 0.68 which corresponded to 13 C NMR signals at δ 18.0, 32.4, 33.3, 21.3, 14.8, 19.3 and 21.2, respectively. This together with characteristic peaks resonating at δ 4.68 (d, J = 6.6 Hz) and 4.46 (d, J = 6.6 Hz)which were assigned to the exocyclic double bond protons further supported that compound 135 is a derivative of lupeol (25) in which C-3 has a keto-group (Rajavel et al., 2012; Anandhi, 2012). H-H COSY spectrum showed significant connectivities; [H-1 and H-2, H-5 and H-6, H-15 and H-16, H-21 and H-22] (Figure 9) which supported the suggested structure for compound 135. HMBC spectrum (Figure 9, Appendix 6) which shows association of protons with corresponding carbons and long range correlation [C-10 and H-6, C-14 and H-16, C-17

and H-21] led to a complete assignment of the signals and to the conclusion that this compound was lupenone.



Figure 8: Significant HMBC and COSY correlations for compound 135 (Anandhi, 2012)

С	¹ H	¹³ C	¹³ C*	C#	¹ H	¹³ C	¹³ C*
#	Multiplicity, $(J in$				Multiplicity, (J in Hz)		
	Hz)						
1	1.66, (d, <i>J</i> = 12.5)	39.9	39.7	16	1.38, m	35.5	35.1
2	1.69, s	27.5	27.4	17	-	42.2	42.2
3	-	216.7	212.8	18	1.44, m	51.4	53.1
4	-	42.3	41.6	19	1.43, m	42.2	42.6
5	1.61, s	56.6	59.3	20	-	150.8	150.4
6	1.49, m	17.7	18.5	21	1.65, m	29.8	29.7
7	1.32, m	34.5	34.7	22	-	40.0	40.4
8	-	42.11	41.4	23	1.01, s	32.4	32.0
9	1.39, m	50.7	58.0	24	0.92, s	33.3	32.4
10	-	36.8	36.9	25	0.78, s	19.3	18.9
11	1.49,m	21.3	22.5	26	1.11, s	18.0	18.0
12	1.47, m	29.2	29.4	27	0.83, s	14.8	15.1
13	1.41, m	37.6	37.9	28	0.68, s	21.2	20.2
14	-	40.0	41.4	29	4.46 (H _{α} , d, <i>J</i> = 6.6)	109.5	108.8
					4.68 (H _{β} , d, <i>J</i> = 6.6)		
15	1.40, m	26.2	26.4	30	1.90, br s	21.3	21.0

Table 12: ¹H (500 MHz) and ¹³C (125 MHz) NMR (CDCl₃) data for Lupenone (135)

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Anandhi, 2012)

4.1.1.7 β-sitosterol-3-*O*-glucoside (136)

Chromatographic separation of both the CH₂Cl₂ and the MeOH extracts of *L. eriocalyx* stem bark as described in experimental section paragraph **3.3.5** afforded compound **136** with R_f value of 0.32 (eluent: CH₂Cl₂-MeOH; 99:1) as colourless needles; m.p 270-272°C (Lit. 272-274°C; Mahbuba *et al.*, 2012). It showed a positive Liebermann-Burchard test (Attarde *et al.*, 2010), whereas with acidified vanillin, it gave bluish-purple colour on TLC after heating, which signified either a sterol or a terpene derivative. The ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 13, Appendix 7**) determined in CD₃OD showed a characteristic signal for anomeric proton as a doublet at δ 4.90 (d, J = 7.9 Hz). The coupling constant ascertained the β -configuration of the sugar residue. The ¹H NMR

Me) and 0.89 (18-Me), respectively. The signals of further three secondary methyl groups observed as doublets were centred at δ 1.00 (21-Me), 0.80 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 26-Me) and 0.78 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 27-Me). A triplet at δ 0.67 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 29-Me) was due to a primary methyl group while a proton resonance appearing at δ 5.34 (H-6) as a doublet was characteristic of Δ^5 -sterol (Ahmad *et al.*, 2012. The attachment of the sugar residue at C-3 was confirmed by a shift of the H-3 resonance to higher δ value of 3.63. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 136 (Table 13, Appendix 7) showed the presence of 35 carbon signals of which six were in the glycosidic region corresponding to a hexose moiety. The remaining 29 carbons were due to the aglycone. The olefinic carbon signals at δ 124.3 and 137.5 corresponded to the double bond between C-5 and C-6, respectively, which are characteristic of Δ^5 type of sterol C (Mahbuba *et al.*, 2012). Comparison of the chemical shift of the sugar carbons with reported data were in agreement those of glucose (Orabi, 2011). The downfield shift signal of the aglycone C-3 further supported linkage of sugar moiety at this particular carbon (Pandey et al., 2006). The EI-MS (70 eV) showed a molecular peak at m/z 576 corresponding to [M]⁺ analysed for C₃₅H₆₀O₆ formula. A peak appearing at m/z 414 indicated loss of a hexose moiety from the molecule. This was supported by acid hydrolysis (2% HCl) which yielded a free sugar identified as β -D-glucose by comparison with authentic samples on silica gel TLC as well as paper chromatography. Conclusive evidence for the structure of compound 136 was further provided by the extensive interpretation of ¹H and ¹³C chemical shift correlations experiment which further supported both ¹H and ¹³C NMR results (Ahmad *et* al., 2012). Therefore, on the basis of the above accumulated evidence, the structure of **136** was established as β -sitosterol 3-*O*- β -glucoside.



Table 13: ¹H (400 MHz) and ¹³C (125 MHz) NMR (DMSO-d₆) data for

C #	¹ H (Multiplicity,	¹³ C	¹³ C*	C #	¹ H (Multiplicity,	¹³ C	¹³ C*
	(J in Hz)				(J in Hz)		
1	1.46 (d, $J = 7.5$)	36.7	36.7	19	0.67, s	-	19.1
2	1.50, m	-	29.1	20	1.26, m	35.7	35.7
3	3.63, m	78.2	78.6	21	1.00,d, <i>J</i> = 6.4)	-	18.7
4	2.35, m	40.0	42.1	22	1.76, m		33.5
5	-	137.5	140.0	23	1.76, m	25.2	25.6
6	$5.34 (\mathrm{dd}, J = 7.4, 1.7)$	124.3	121.5	24	1.13, m	45.6	45.5
7	2.86 (H-7 $_{\alpha}$, dd,	-	31.4	25	2.12, m	-	28.7
	J = 12.3, 2.6)						
	2.50 (H- 7_{β} , dd,						
0	J = 11.5.11.5		21.5	26	0.80(d I - 6.7)		107
0	2.10, III 1.04, m	-	51.5 40.8	20	0.30 (d, J = 0.7) 0.78 (d. $I = 1.6$)	-	10./
9 10	1.94, m	50.6	49.8	27	0.78 (u, J = 1.0)	-	18.4
10		36.7	36.3	28	0.78, III	-	22.6
11		-	20.2	29	0.67 (t, J = 7.2)	-	12.3
12		39.9	38.2	1'	4.90 (d, J = 7.9)	101.7	100.7
13		42.6	41.9	2'	4.88, m	74.0	73.2
14		56.6	56.4	3'	4.87, m	76.8	76.2
15		23.2	23.8	4'	4.46, m	71.0	70.0
16		28.4	27.8	5'	2.89, m	76.2	75.2
17		56.4	55.7	6'	4.88 (H-6'α, dd,	63.1	61.4
					J = 11.7, 2.4)		
					4.92 (H-6'-β, dd		
					J = 11.7, 5.3)		
18	0.89 (s)	-	11.3				

β-sitosterol -3 *O*-Glucoside (136)

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Mahbuba *et al.*, 2012)

4.1.1.8 Chrysin (137) and morinhydrate (138)

Compound **137** was isolated as yellow powder, m.p. 291-292°C (Lit. 285-286°C; Kikuchi *et al.*, 1991). The UV spectrum of compound **137** in MeOH showed absorption maxima at λ_{max} 268 (band I) and 336 (band II) nm suggesting a flavone derivative. (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013; Mabry *et al.*, 1970). The ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 14**, **Appendix 8**) showed the presence of two *meta*-coupled protons consisting of an AX system typical of

ring A of a flavone derivative at δ 6.48 for H-8 (d, J = 1.5 Hz) and 6.23 for H-6 (d, J = 1.5 Hz). A characteristic ¹H NMR singlet resonance at δ 6.73 was assigned to H-3. Furthermore, another set of five aromatic signals of ring B involving *ortho*-coupled doublets at δ 7.99 (d, J = 6.5 Hz) for H-2' and H-6' (AX system) and a multiplet at δ 7.58 (3H) assigned to H-3', H-4' and H-5' (ABX system) were observed together with $\delta_{\rm C}$ resonances for C-2 and C-3 at 162.8 and 133.4 suggesting that compound **137** is a flavone derivative (Chartuvedula and Prakash, 2011; Vijay *et al*, 2011). On the other hand, the ¹³C NMR spectrum (**Table 15**, **Appendix 8**) revealed the presence of 15 carbon signals out of which 7 were aromatic CH, one olefinic CH ($\delta_{\rm C}$, 106.1) and 7 quartenary carbons including α , β -unsaturated carbonyl at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 183.9 (C-4) as evidenced by DEPT spectrum. The EI-MS showed a protonated molecular ion peak at *m/z* 255 [M+1]⁺ which was consistent with the formula C₁₅H₁₀O₄ confirming that compound **137** was chrysin (Miyaichi *et al.*, 2006) Thus on the basis of spectroscopic data, compound **137** was identified to be chrysin.

Similarly, compound **138** was isolated as light yellow powder, m.p. 301-303 °C (Lit. 300-301 °C; Liu *et al.*, 2012). Just like for chrysin (**137**), the ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 14**, **Appendix 9**) showed the presence of two *meta*-coupled protons of ring A appearing at δ 6.44 (1H, d, J = 1.5 Hz) and 6.17 (1H, d, J = 1.5 Hz) which was assigned to H-8 and H-6, respectively. This observation was further evidenced by EI-MS fragment appearing at m/z153 indicating that ring A had no other substituents other than the two hydroxyl groups at C-5 and C-7. Careful examination of the ¹H NMR spectrum revealed the absence of H-3 of favones implying that C-3 was substituted, a fact further supported by the ¹³C NMR peak at δ 133.4 for C-3. The ¹H NMR also exhibited an AMX spin system at δ 7.43 (J = 7.0 Hz, H-6), 6.50 (J = 2.0 Hz, H-5), 6.33 (J = 1.8 Hz, H-3for ring B which is oxygenated at C-2' and C-4' (Miyaichi *et al.*, 2006). The ¹³C NMR spectrum (**Table 15**, **Appendix 9**) showed the presence of 15 carbon signals, five aromatic CH and 10 quartenary carbons including α , β -unsaturated carbonyl at δ 177.7 evidenced by ¹³C spectrum (**Appendix 9**). The compound displayed a molecular ion peak at m/z 302 which is consistent with a molecular formula C₁₅H₁₀O₇, suggesting that it a derivative of quercetin (**65**). Changes of diagnostic values were observed in ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **138** in comparison with quercetin (**65**) whereby C-3' shifted upfield at δ 104.6 due to the absence of OH group at this position while C-2' shifted downfield at δ 157.6 arising from OH substitution (Liu *et al.*, 2012). This was confirmed by HMBC correlation between H-5' (δ 6.50) and C-3' (δ 104.6) Thus, on the basis of spectroscopic data, compound **138** was structurally elucidated as morinhydrate (Miyaichi *et al.*, 2006).



C #	137	138	138	138 1
	⁻ H M14:1::4	⁻ H* M141414	⁻ H M14:14:14	⁻ H* M14:-11:-14
	Multiplicity	Multiplicity	Multiplicity	Multiplicity
	(J IN HZ)	(J IN HZ)	(J IN HZ)	(J IN HZ)
2	-	-	-	-
3	6.73, s	6.93, s	-	-
4	-	-	-	-
6	6.23 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.5)	6.22 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.2)	6.17 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.5)	6.20 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.0)
8	6.48 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.5)	6.52 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.2)	6.43 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.5)	6.51
9	-	-	-	-
10	-	-	-	-
1'	-	-	-	-
2'	7.99 (d, <i>J</i> = 6.5)	8.30, m	-	11.85
3'	7.58, m	7.58, m	6.33 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.8)	6.14
4'	7.58, m	7.58, m	-	9.90
5'	7.58, m	7.58, m	6.50 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.0)	6.25, m
6'	7.99 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.5)	8.30, m	7.43 (d, $J = 7.0$)	7.04
5-OH	-	12.83, m	-	11.90
7-OH	-	10.90, s	-	10.30

Table 14: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD) data for Chrysin (137) and morinhydrate (138)

¹H* NMR data (Miyaichi *et al.*, 2006)

C (125 Hz,	, CD3OD) NM	R data for Chr	ysin (137) and	l morinhyd
ATOM	¹³ C 108	¹³ C* 108	¹³ C 109	¹³ C*109
2	163.3	163.1	162.8	161.4
3	106.1	108.4	133.4	134.2
4	183.9	182.4	177.7	182.1
5	165.7	151.5	162.5	161.8
6	105.6	105.7	99.3	98.3
7	159.6	158.1	165.6	166.4
8	95.2	97.1	94.7	94.0
9	165.6	163.5	149.9	158.8
10	106.1	104.7	105.4	104.4
1'	127.5	126.5	109.4	110.4
2'	130.3	110.9	157.6	157.8
3'	-	149.1	104.6	103.5
4'	-	149.3	159.0	159.1
5'	-	110.0	111.6	108.4
6'	132.6	131.2	132.7	131.3

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¹³C* NMR data (Miyaichi *et al.*, 2006)

4.1.1.9 Quercetin-3-*O*-glucoside (139)

Compound **139** was obtained as a yellow powder, m.p. 227-230°C (Lit. 225-227°C; Ahmad et al., 2012). It gave a yellow colour upon exposure to ammonia vapour and also upon spraying with sulphuric acid on the TLC suggesting that the compound contained a sugar moiety (Tatke et al., 2014). Its R_f value (0.81 in 15% HOAc) was relatively high on TLC (cellulose) suggesting the presence of a glycone moiety. However, a relatively low value (0.21) was obtained with Butanol-HOAc-H₂O (4:1:5) (Markham, 1982). The quercetin structure was also confirmed by the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data (**Table 16**, Appendix 10), and further supported by mass spectrum (70 eV) which showed a molecular ion peak at m/z 302 consistent with quercetin structure. The downfield part of the ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 16**) showed the characteristic pattern of quercetin derivative depicted by the AX at δ 6.34 and 6.20 representing for H-8 and H-6 protons (d, J = 2.1 Hz) and ABX spin system appearing at δ 7.71 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 7.55 (dd, J = 7.6, 2.5 Hz), and 6.68 (d, J = 7.7 Hz) attributed to H-2', H-6' and H-5', respectively. The anomeric proton signal in the ¹H NMR spectrum (Appendix 10) of compound 139 appeared downfield at δ 5.22 (d, J = 7.4 Hz) indicating the 1,2-diaxial coupling between the protons on C-1" and C-2" in a β -linked D-gluocopyrnose (Markham 1982). The other proton signal of the glucose moiety appeared at δ 3.51 (H-2"), 3.30 (H-3"), 3.38 (H-4"), 3.41 (H-5"), and 3.50, 3.74 for the methylene protons at C-6". The presence of the 3-Oglucoside was corroborated further by $\delta_{\rm C}$ signals at 100.4 (C-1"), 75.2 (C-2"), 78.5 (C-3"), 71.6 (C-4") (Sathyadevi, 2015). 78.7 (C-5") and 63.0 (C-6"). The position of the sugar moiety was confirmed by the HMBC correlation (Appendix 10) between the anomeric proton H-1" and C-3 (Ana et al., 2009). Complete hydrolysis (2 % HCl)

yielded quercetin (65) and glucose (confirmed by co-spotting on TLC with authentic samples. In the mass spectrum (Appendix 10), a peak at m/z 302 corresponded to the aglycone that had lost sugar moiety. Extensive analysis of the spectroscopic data of this compound let to its unequivocal identity as quercrtin-3-*O*-glucoside.



C#	Multinlinitar	Maritinii oita	130		130*
C#	Multiplicity	Multiplicity	C		C*
	$(J \text{ in } \mathbf{Hz})$	$(J \text{ in } \mathbf{Hz})$			
2	-	-		158.8	158.0
3	-	-		136.1	135.0
4	-	-		179.9	179.0
5	-	-		163.4	163.0
6	6.20 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.1)	6.27 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.4)		95.2	99.0
7	-	-		166.4	165.0
8	6.34 (d, J = 2.1)	6.36 (d, J = 2.4)		95.4	94.0
9	-	-		159.5	159.0
10	-	-		104.9	105.0
1'	-	-		123.5	123.4
2'	7.71 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.0)	7.80 (d, <i>J</i> =2.2)		116.4	115.0
3'	-	-		150.3	149.0
4'	-	-		146.3	145.0
5'	6.68 (d, $J = 7.7$)	6.64 (d, <i>J</i> =7.6)		118.1	117.0
6'	7.55 (dd, <i>J</i> = 7.6, 2.5)	7.54 (dd, <i>J</i> = 7.6, 2.5)		123.7	123.9
1"	5.22 (d, J = 7.4)	5.22 (d, <i>J</i> =7.6)		100.4	100.0
2"	3.51, m	3.53 m, overlap		75.2	74.0
3"	3.30, m	3.28 m, overlap		78.5	76.0
4"	3.38, m	3.38 (bt, <i>J</i> = 9.4)		71.6	70.0
5"	3.41 (dd, <i>J</i> =9.4,4.9)	3.44 (dd, <i>J</i> = 5.3, 9.4)		78.7	77.0
6"	3.74 (dd, <i>J</i> =12.0,6.0)	3.75 (dd, <i>J</i> =11.8, 5.5)		63.0	61.0
	3.50 (dd, <i>J</i> =12.0,5.6)	3.52 (dd, <i>J</i> =11.8, 5.3)			

Table 16: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-d₆) and ¹³C NMR data (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) data of Ouercetin 3-O-glucoside (139)

¹H* and ¹³C *NMR data (Sathyadevi, 2015)

4.1.1.10 4', 5-Dihydroxystilbene-3-*O*-glucoside (140)

Compound **140** was obtained as reddish powder; m.p. 220-222°C [Lit 223-226°C, Liu *et al.*, 2012]. The ¹H NMR spectral (**Table 17**, **Appendix 11**) showed characteristic aglycone pattern of resveratrol derivative namely: three *meta*-coupled aromatic protons of ring A appearing at δ 6.62 (H-6, 1H, s), 6.45 (H-2, d, J = 1.2 Hz), and 6.77 (t, J = 2.2, 1.2 Hz) (Ana *et al.*, 2009). The other set of aromatic protons signifying AA'XX' spin system at δ 7.36 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, H-2'/H-6') and 6.79 (d, J = 10.2, 6.6 Hz, H-3'/H-5'), respectively. These were supported by $\delta_{\rm C}$ signals at 128.9 (C-2'), 116.5 (C-3'), 116.2 (C-

5') and 128.6 (C-6'). These together with an isolated olefinic protons observed at δ 7.00 (d, J = 16.8 Hz, H-8) and 6.83 (d, J = 15.7 Hz, H-7) suggested that the aglycone is resveratrol (Fulvia et al., 1997; Xiao-Hua et al., 2013; Liu et al., 2012). The anomeric proton signal in the ¹HNMR spectrum (Table 17, Appendix 11) appeared at δ 4.83 (H-1'', d, J = 7.2 Hz) was in accordance with the axial-axial coupling between protons on C-1" and C-2" in a β -linked hexose (Markham, 1982). The other signals in the relatively upfield region of the spectrum at δ 3.47, 3.37, 3.31, 3.39 and 3.54, 3.70 corresponding to one proton each accounted for H-2", H-3", H-4", H-5" and H-6". Accordingly, the ¹³C NMR DEPT (Table 17, Appendix 11) displayed 20 signals which were resolved into 1 methylene δ 62.6 (C-6"), 14 methines and five quartenary carbons at δ 141.6 (C-1), 159.6 (C-5), 126.7 (C-1') and 158.5 (C-4'). The position of the hydroxyl groups as well as attachment of the sugar to the aglycone was established from HMBC experiments which indicated a three H-C correlations: H-1" correlated with C-3 (δ_{C} 160.5) whereas H-2' and H-6' showed cross peaks with C-4' ($\delta_{\rm C}$ 158.5) indicating that the sugar was attached at C-3, while a hydroxyl group was placed at C-4'. In the mass spectrum (Appendix 11), fragment ion at m/z 228 corresponding to the aglycone was due to loss of a hexose moiety. Acid hydrolysis of compound 140 gave resveratrol and glucose, confirmed by the TLC and paper chromatography with authentic samples. Thus, the above data for compound **140** are consistent with the structure of 4',5-dihydroxystlibene-3-O-glucoside.



Table 17: ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD) and ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CD₃OD) data of 4', 5-dihydroxystilbene 3-*O*-glucoside (140)

C#	¹ H NMR, Multiplicity (<i>J</i> in Hz)	¹ H* NMR, Multiplicity (<i>J</i> in Hz)	¹³ C	¹³ C*
1	-	-	141.6	140.1
2	6.45, (d, <i>J</i> = 1.2)	6.46, s	102.4	102.7
3	-	-	160.5	159.1
4	6.77, (t, $J = 2.2, 1.2$)	6.46 (t, $J = 2.3, 1.7$)	104.1	105.6
5	-	-	159.6	158.3
6	6.62, bs	6.59, s	107.1	107.0
7	6.83 (d, J = 16.8)	6.45 (d, <i>J</i> = 16.6)	130.0	128.6
8	7.00 (d, $J = 16.8$)	6.62 (d, <i>J</i> = 16.6)	126.7	125.3
1'	-	-	130.4	129.0
2'	7.35 (d, $J = 9.0$)	7.35 (d, $J = 8.6$)	128.9	127.6
3'	6.79 (d, <i>J</i> = 10.2, 6.6)	6.75 (t, J = 10.1, 8.6)	116.5	115.1
4'	-	-	158.5	156.9
5'	6.79 (d, <i>J</i> = 10.2, 6.6)	6.75 (t, J = 10.1, 8.6)	116.2	115.1
6'	7.35 (d, $J = 9.0$)	7.35 (d, $J = 8.6$)	128.6	127.6
1"	4.83 (d, $J = 7.2$)	3.91 (dd, J = 7.1, 1.7)	102.4	101.1
2"	3.47, dd, <i>J</i> = 9.4, 6.8)	3.41, s	75.0	73.6
3"	$3.37 (\mathrm{dd}, J = 9.0, 4.2)$	3.36, s	78.1	76.7
4"	3.31 (bt, $J = 9.8$)	3.35, s	71.5	70.1
5"	3.39(dd, J = 9.8, 6.0)	3.38, s	78.3	76.9
6"	3.54 (H_{α} , dd, J = 13.2, 6.6) 3.70 (H_{β} , dd, J = 12.0, 6.6)	3.44 (H_{α} ,t, <i>J</i> =12.4, 6.3) 3.69 (H_{β} ,dd, <i>J</i> =10.7,6.0)	62.6	61.2

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Xiao-Hua *et al.*, 2013)

4.1.1.11 Rutin (141)

This compound was obtained as pale yellow powder solid, m.p. 234-236°C [(Lit. 238-240°C; Okoth, 2013). The ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 18, Appendix 12**) of this compound consisted of signals typical of hydrogen bonded OH at δ 12.55, (5-OH, s) (Batterham and Highet, 1964, 1963); aromatic proton signals δ 6.19 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, H-6), 6.39 (1H, d, J = 2.5 Hz, 8-H), 7.54 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, H-2'), 6.84 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-3'), 7.52 (1H, d, J = 2.0 Hz, H-6'). Six proton resonances for the β -glucopyranose were observed at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 5.32 (H-1", 1H, d, J = 7.5 Hz), 3.47 (H-2", 1H, d, J = 13.00 Hz), (3.25 (H-3", d, J = 3.0 Hz), 3.29 (H-4", H-5" d, J = 9.9 Hz), 3.38 (6"-H_a, d, J = 9.5 Hz), typical of β -linkage (Satterfield and Brodbelt, 2001). An additional six proton resonances for the second sugar moiety were observed $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.37 (1"'-H, d, J = 1.0 Hz), 3.28 (dd, J = 3.5, 1.5 Hz), 3.25 (3"'-H, dd, J = 9.5, 3.9 Hz), 3.29 (d, J = 9.5 Hz), 3.25 (d, J = 9.5) and 0.97 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz H-6' which were typical of α -rhamnose (Okoth, 2013; Okoth *et al.*, 2013; Satterfield and Brodbelt, 2001).

The ¹³C NMR spectra of this compound correlated with that of a quercetin moiety with rutinoside. There were ten signals for the flavones moiety, six signals for the aromatic ring and an additional six signals for each of the glucose and rhamnose moieties. The glucose was found to be attached at C-3 (δ_C 134.0) which was based on HMBC correlation between H-1" (δ 5.32) and C-3. The rhamnose group was then the terminal sugar which was linked to glucose through C-6" as evidenced by the HMBC correlation observed between the anomeric proton of the D-rhamnose (δ_H 4.37) and the C-6" of glucose (δ_C 70.3). The ESI-MS of this compound showed a sodiated molecular ion,

 $[M+Na]^+$ at m/z 633; and m/z of 611which was consistent with the molecular formula of $C_{27}H_{30}O_{16}$. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data (**Table 18, Appendix 12**) was comparable to that of rutin previously isolated from *Lannea shweinfurthii* (Okoth *et al.*, 2013; Markham, 1982). Based on spectroscopic data as well as comparison with literature data compound **141** was structurally elucidated as rutin.



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Table 18: ¹H (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) and ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-d₆) of Rutin (141)

¹³C*

 1 H* and 13 C* NMR data, (Okoth *et al.*, 2013)

4.1.2 Structural elucidation of compounds from *Alysicarpus ovalifolius* (Schumach)

Phytochemical evaluation of the root bark of *A. ovalifolius* led to the isolation of quercetin (65), apigenin (68), β -sitosterol (134), β -sitosterol glucoside (136), quercetin-3-*O*-glucoside (139), plumbagin (142), orientin (143), mohanimbine (144), koenimbine (145) and koenidine (146). The structures of these compounds were elucidated using physical and spectroscopic methods as well as comparison with the literature data.

4.1.2.1 Plumbagin (142)

Compound **142** was isolated as an orange substance with mp 74-76°C (Lit. 76-78°C; Singh *et al.*, 2012; Tangmouo *et al.*, 2005). The compound on exposure to conc. ammonia solution turned purple suggesting that it was a quinine derivative and this was supported by its UV spectrum which exhibited absorptions at λ_{max} 254 and 420 nm. The ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 19**, **Appendix 13**) showed a singlet at δ 6.80 for H-3, a doublet of doublets at δ 7.26 for H-6, a multiplet at δ 7.60 for H-7 and another multiplet which resonated at δ 7.58 was attributable to H-8 proton. A singlet at δ 1.25 was assigned to the three hydrogen of methyl group attached to C-2. Another singlet which resonated at δ 11.96 was assigned the OH at C-5. Similarly, ¹³C NMR spectrum (**Table 19**, **Appendix 13**) showed six quaternary carbons; two of which were carbonyl carbons at δ 184.8 and 190.3 assigned to C-1 and C-4 respectively. C-4 appeared downfield due to the anisotropic effect of the neighboring OH-group at C-5 coupled by field and resonance inductive effects (Batterham and Highet, 1964). Four methine carbons were observed at δ 135.5, 124.2, 136.1 and 119.3 attributable to C-3, C-6, C-7 and C-8, respectively while the methyl carbon appeared at δ 16.5. The attachment of CH₃ at C-2 was evidenced by a strong correlation on the HMBC spectrum C-2 carbon and the 11-Me protons (**Appendix 13**). Consequently, based on physical, chemical, spectral data and comparison with literature, the compound was concluded to be plumbagin which has been isolated before from *Diospyros kaki* root bark (Singh *et al.*, 2012, Dubey *et al.*, 2009).



Table 19: ¹H (300 MHz, CDCl₃) and ¹³C (75 MHz, CDCl₃) NMR data for Plumbagin (142)

ATOM	${}^{1}\mathbf{H}$	¹ H*,	¹³ C	¹³ C*
	Multiplicity	Multiplicity		
	(J in Hz)	(J in Hz)		
1	-	-	184.8	184.7
2	-	-	149.6	150.3
3	6.80, s	7.00, s	135.5	135.6
4	-	-	190.3	191.4
5	-	-	161.2	161.4
6	7.26 (dd, 2.0, 7.0)	7.30, dd (1.5, 8.0)	124.2	124.4
7	7.60 m	7.45, m	136.1	136.3
8	7.58 m	7.45, m	119.3	119.4
9	-	-	132.1	132.3
10	-	-	115.2	115.0
5-OH	11.96, s	11.96, s		
11-Me	1.25, m	1.25, s	16.5	16.7

 ${}^{1}\text{H}^{*}$ and ${}^{13}\text{C}^{*}$ NMR data (Singh *et al.*, 2012)

4.1.2.2 Orientin (143)

The compound was isolated as a pale yellow amorphous powder (MeOH-H₂O mixture) with m.p. 255-257°C (Lit. 260-262°C; Wen *et al.*, 2007). It showed an intense yellow colour on TLC when exposed to conc. ammonia vapour suggesting that it could be a

flavonoid derivative (Wen *et al.*, 2007). Its IR spectrum revealed the presence of hydroxyl (3400 cm⁻¹), carbonyl (1655 cm⁻¹) and aromatic (1613and 1415 cm⁻¹) functionalities. The UV spectrum of compound **143** in MeOH showed absorption maxima at λ_{max} 274 (band I) and 346 (band II) nm suggesting that **143** is flavone derivative (Chaturvedula and Prakash, 2013; Dordevic *et al.*, 2001; Mabry *et al.*, 1970). The ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 20**, **Appendix 14**) of this compound did not show a resonance peak for hydrogen bonded hydroxyl group at δ 12.50 assignable to OH-5 (Markham, 1982). This could be attributed to the solvent (MeOD) used during spectral analysis. Similarly, the spectrum showed a singlet at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.40 in ring A attributed to either H-6 or H-8. Another singlet at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 6.60 was assigned to H-3 of ring C. These together with B ring signals with a ABX spin system suggested a C-glycosidated luteolin derivative with sugar moiety attached at either C-8 or C-6 (Sharma *et al.*, 2014; Yang, *et al.*, 2015).

The ¹³C NMR (**Table 20**, **Appendix 14**) and DEPT showed 21 distinct carbon signals accounting for ten methines, one methylene and ten quatenary carbons of which fifteen of the peaks were similar to those of 5,7,3',4'-tetrahydroxyflavone 8-*C*-glycoside (Sharma *et al.*, 2014) while the remaining 6 carbon signals could be assignable to either β -glucose or β -galactose moiety (Sharma *et al.*, 2014; Drozd, 1972). Changes of diagnostic value were observed in the ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **143** in comparison with luteolin (Kim, *et al.*, 2000) whereby C-8 shifted downfield at δ 104.1 due to C-glycosylation (Drozd, 1972), a fact further confirmed by HMBC correlation between H-6 (6.40) and C-8. Similarly, peaks observed at δ 162.9 and 158.9 were assigned to C-7 and C-9, respectively on the basis that C-8 glycosylation should affect C-7 and C-9 shifts (Kim, *et al.*, 2000). Unequivocal information on the type of sugar moiety attached to the aglycone

was substantiated by the couplings of the C-4" hydroxyl group based on the axialequatorial coupling between H-1" and H-2"; H-4" and H-5" and 1,2 diaxial coupling between H-4" and H-3", an interpretation that was facilitated by the ¹H-¹H proximity between H-4" and H-5" defining the sugar moiety to be β -glucose. Based on extensive spectroscopic analysis as well as comparison with literature, compound **143** was structurally confirmed as 5, 7, 3', 4'-tetrahydroxyflavone 8-*C*- β -glucoside.



АТОМ	¹ H		¹³ C	¹³ C*
	Multiplicity	Multiplicity	C	C
	(J in Hz)	(J in Hz)		
2	-	-	164.3	164.1
3	6.60, s	6.27, s	102.6	102.3
4	-	-	184.0	182.0
5	-	-	164.3	160.4
6	6.40, s	6.60, s	99.8	98.1
7	-	-	162.9	162.8
8	-	-	104.8	104.5
9	-	-	158.9	156.0
10	-	-	104.1	103.9
1'	-	-	123.0	121.9
2'	7.82 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	7.48, br s	116.0	114.0
3'	-	-	138.8	165.8
4'	-	-	129.6	129.7
5'	6.88 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	6.86 (d, $J = 8.4$)	117.1	119.3
6'	7.80 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	7.52 (br d, $J = 8.4$)	115.9	115.7
1"	4.84 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7)	4.68 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.8)	74.0	73.4
2"	3.48 (d, J = 7.7)	3.50 (d, J = 7.8)	71.4	70.8
3"	3.42 (d, J = 7.8)	3.40 (d, J = 8.0)	78.3	78.8
4"	3.28 d, <i>J</i> = 9.1)	3.30 (d, J = 8.4)	70.1	70.7
5"	3.33 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.6)	3.34 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.0)	79.1	82.0
6"	3.54 m	3.60, m	62.5	61.6

Table 20: ¹ H (400 MHz, MeOD) and ¹³ C (100 MHz, MeOD)
NMR data for Orientin (143)

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Drozd, 1972)

4.1.2.3 Mohanimbine (144)

This compound was isolated as colourless powder with m.p. 92-94°C (Lit. 88-90°C; Abu Bakar et al., 2007). It showed a positive Dragendorff's test suggesting it could be an alkaloid compound (Khatun et al., 2014). The ¹H NMR spectrum (Table 21, Appendix 15) of compound 144 showed two methyl singlets at δ 1.77 and 1.70 (3H each, vinyl methyls), 2.38 (3H, an aromatic methyl) and 1.49 (3H) besides a vinyl proton on a trisubstituted double bond at δ 5.13 (br t, J = 6.6 Hz). The latter peak correlated with the vinyl methyls in the HMBC spectrum suggesting the presence of a terminal-CH₂CH₂CH=C(CH₃)₂ group in the compound (Mohammad *et al.*, 2013, Abu Bakar *et al.*, 2007). Furthermore, in the ¹H NMR spectrum a pair of *meta*-coupled olefinic protons at C-3' and C-4' appeared as doublets at δ 6.64 (J = 9.6 Hz) and 5.67 (J = 9.6 Hz) which together with a 13 C NMR spectrum (**Table 22**, **Appendix 15**) diagnostic peak at δ 78.2 signified the presence of C-O-C bond in a pyran ring typical of carbazole alkaloids (Dheeref et al., 2014; Mohammad et al., 2013; Abu Bakar et al., 2007). Comparison of ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of compound **144** with those of mohanimbine previously isolated from Murraya koenigii revealed close similarities (Dheeref et al., 2014; Mohammad et al., 2013; Abu Bakar et al., 20007; Chakraborty et al. 1978; Feibig et al., 1985). Analyses of both ¹H and ¹³C NMR data of compound **144** taking into consideration the fragmentation pattern m/z 332 [M] ⁺ (100), 331.3 (10), 276.2 (7), 250 (30), 248 (10), 210 (10) in the EI-MS was consistent with the structure of mohanimbine. In addition, the mass spectrum (Appendix 15) showed a molecular ion peak at m/z 332 $[M+1]^+$ which was consistent with the molecular formula C₂₃H₂₅NO further confirming that the compound was mohanimbine.

4.1.2.4 Koenimbine (145)

Compound 145 was obtained as colourless crystals and also afforded a positive Drangedorff's test for alkaloids (Khatun et al., 2014), m.p. 196-197°C (Lit. 194-195°C; Nayak *et al.*, 2010). The ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 21**, **Appendix 15**) of this compound showed a set of olefinic signals at δ 6.78 (d, J = 11.0 Hz) and 5.68 (d, J = 14.7 Hz) which together with a broad singlet at δ 7.61 typical of -NH resonance suggested that compound 145 is a carbazole alkaloid (Dheeref et al., 2014). The ¹³C NMR data (Table 22, Appendix 15) in combination with DEPT (90° and 135°) (Appendix 15) had 19 distinct C-signals; DEPT, ¹³C NMR (90⁰: 6CH all SP²); $\Theta = 135^{\circ}$: 6CH and 4CH₃) including a methoxy group at δ 56.7. The DEPT spectrum (Appendix 15) of this compound comprised of 6CH and 4CH₃ which totalled to $C_{10}H_9$ suggested the presence of either a hydroxyl or a -NH group in the compound. Comparative analysis of both ¹H and ¹³C NMR data of the compound taking into consideration of the molecular ion m/z 294.3 and the fragmentation pattern in the ESI-MS (rel. int): m/z 294.3 [M]⁺ (100), 296 (10), 293.3 (24) revealed the compound to be koenimbine previously isolated from *M. koenigii* (Ito *et* al., 2006; Mohammed et al., 2013). On the basis of physical and spectroscopic data compound 145 was identified as koenimbine.

4.1.2.5 Koenidine (146)

Koenidine was obtained as pale yellow needles with m.p. 225-226°C (Lit. 224-225°C; Mohammad *et al.*, 2013). The ESI-MS indicated a molecular ion peak at m/z 324.3 [M]⁺ (100) (**Appendix 15**) suggesting a molecular formula of C₂₀H₂₁NO₃ which is 30 a.m.u. (OCH₂ moiety) higher than that for compound **145**, thus suggesting that compound **146** is

a methoxy derivative of 145. Comparison of the ¹H and ¹³C NMR (Table 21, 22, Appendix 15) spectra of 146 with those of 145 showed close similarities with notable difference between the two compounds being the presence of additional methoxy group in 146 as evidenced by a ¹H NMR peak at δ 3.97 (s, 3H) with corresponding $\delta_{\rm C}$ 54.8. Further confirmation of the structure of 146 was accomplished using HSQC and HMBC data which aided unequivocal assignment of all the signals associated with the compound. Thus, based on spectroscopic data (Tables 21 and 22, Appendix 15) coupled with reported literature data, compound 146 was established to be koenidine also previously isolated from *M. koenigii* (Ito *et al.*, 2006; Mohammed *et al.*, 2013).

C#	¹ H Multiplicity	(J in Hz)	
	144	145	146
4	7.69, s	7.63, s	7.40, s
5	7.96 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.5)	7.41 (d, $J = 7.6$)	7.53, s
6	7.19 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.5)	7.25 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.2)	-
7	7.28 (d, $J = 5.0$)	-	-
8	7.36 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.2)	7.42 (d, $J = 7.6$)	6.95, s
3'	6.64 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.6)	6.78 (d, <i>J</i> =11.0)	6.64 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.6)
4'	5.67 (d, <i>J</i> = 9.6)	5.68 (d, <i>J</i> = 14.7)	5.69 (d, J = 9.6)
5'	1.62 (t, <i>J</i> = 8.1)	-	-
6'	1.83, m	-	-
7'	5.13 (br t, $J = 6.6$)	-	-
8'	-	-	-
9'-Me	1.77, s	-	-
10'-Me	1.70, s	-	-
2'-Me	1.49, s	1.47, 2.28, s	1.28,1.50, s
3-Me	2.38, s	2.29, s	2.35, s
7'-Me	-	-	-
OMe (6)	-	-	3.51, s
OMe (7)	-	3.87, s	3.97, s
N-H	7.41	7.61, s	7.30

Table 21: ¹H NMR Spectral Data (CDCl₃, 300MHz) for Compounds 144, 145 and 146

¹H* NMR data (Mohammad *et al.*, 2013)

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44:
$$R = R' = H, R'' = CH_3, R''' = CH_2 - CH_2 - CH_2 - CH_3 + C(CH_3)_2$$

45: $R = H, R' = OCH_3, R'' = R''' = CH_3$
46: $R = R' = OCH_3, R'' = R''' = CH_3$

Table 22: ¹³C NMR Spectral Data (CDCl₃, 75 MHz) for Compounds 144, 145 and 146

_	144 ¹³ C	144 ¹³ C*	145 ¹³ C	145 ¹³ C*	146 ¹³ C	146 ¹³ C*
1	104.2	104.0	103.7	103.1	103.4	102.9
2	149.9	148.4	150.9	151.0	146.7	147.2
3	131.7	130.7	125.3	125.9	133.9	134.1
4	117.5	116.9	122.1	123.0	115.7	116.3
5	119.5	120.0	103.4	103.0	101.1	100.9
6	119.3	118.9	114.2	115.2	142.5	143.1
7	121.2	121.0	155.2	155.6	146.9	117.3
8	110.4	109.8	112.3	112.1	93.6	94.2
9	134.9	133.4	136.6	137.0	133.9	141.1
10	139.5	140.1	132.9	133.1	117.1	118.0
11	118.4	118.0	118.5	119.1	-	-
12	116.7	117.0	116.0	117.2	117.1	117.6
2 '	78.2	79.1	77.1	76.9	74.2	75.1
3'	128.5	129.0	130.1	131.2	127.4	126.9
4'	124.2	123.9	118.1	119.2	118.7	118.9
5'	40.8	41.0	-	-	-	-
6'	22.7	23.0	-	-	-	-
7'	116.7	115.9	-	-	-	-
8'	131.7	131.1	-	-	-	-
9'	25.9	25.5	-	-	-	-
10'	25.7	24.2	-	-	-	-
3-Me	16.1	17.0	28.2	28.9	26.3	26.5
2'-Me	17.6	18.1	16.5	17.1	14.8	15.0
OMe (6)	-	-	-	-	55.3	56.1
OMe (7)	-	-	56.7	57.1	54.8	55.3

¹³C* NMR data (Mohammad *et al.*, 2013)

4.1.3 Structural elucidation of compounds from the leaves of *Erythrina abyssinica*(DC)

Phytochemical investigation of the methanolic extract of the leaves of *E. abyssinica* led to the isolation of 7-hydroxy-4'-methoxy-3-prenylisoflavone (**147**) and erythrinasinate A (**148**). These compounds were obtained after successive silica gel column chromatography and their structures elucidated using spectroscopic (NMR and MS) methods as well as comparison with literature data.

4.1.3.1 7-hydroxy-4'-methoxy-3-prenylisoflavone (147)

Compound **147** was obtained an amorphous yellow powder, m.p. 194-196°C (Lit. 192-193°C; Yenesew *et al.*, 2009). The ¹³C NMR spectrum showed $\delta_{\rm C}$ signals at 154.0 and 125.9 which were typical of C-2 and C-3 of flavones (Yenesew *et al.*, 2006). The ¹H NMR spectrum had a signal at $\delta_{\rm H}$ 3.88 typical of OCH₃ protons suggesting the presence a methoxy group in the flavone molecule (Batterham and Highet 1964). In addition, the ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 23, Appendix 16**) exhibited an AXY spin system for ring-A at δ 8.06 (1H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 6.96 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.1Hz) and 6.90 (d, *J* = 2.1) attributed to H-5, H-6 and H-8, respectively. Likewise, an ABX spin system was also observed at δ 7.40 (1H, d, *J* = 2.1), 7.43 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.1, Hz) and 6.99 (1H, d, *J* = 8.4) assignable to H-2', H-6' and H-5' respectively. An olefinic proton which appeared at δ 5.31 was assigned to H-2''. This together with vinylic methyl groups at δ 1.72 and 1.70 (both singlets), and methylene group appearing at δ 3.34 suggested that the flavone could be prenylated (Yenesew *et al.*, 2006), The signals at δ 8.14 in the ¹H NMR was to assigned to H-2 with corresponding ¹³C NMR resonances at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 154.0. Also observed on the ¹³C NMR spectrum were resonances appearing at $\delta_{\rm C}$ 125.9 and 176.4 for C-3 and C-4 suggested an isoflavone skeleton (Batterham and Highet 1964). The HMBC spectrum (**Appendix 16**) revealed a correlation of the methylene protons at δ 3.34 with C-4' (δ 158.7) and C-6' (δ 129.3) confirming the substitution pattern of ring B.

The EI-MS showed a molecular ion peak at m/z 336 corresponding to the molecular formula C₂₁H₂₀O₄. Similarly, in the EI-MS spectrum, m/z at 137 resulted from retro-Diels-Alder fragmentation implying that ring-A had one -OH group at C-7 hence the methoxy and the prenyl moieties could only be on ring B (Saxena and Bhadoria, 1990, Batterham and Highet 1964). The resonances of this compound were similar to a flavonoid isolated from *Erythrina sacleuxii* and complete assignment was achieved through comparison with those contained in literature (Yenesew *et al.*, 2006). This compound was first reported as a synthetic derivative of 3'-prenyl-4-methoxyisoflavone-7-*O*- β -D-(2"-*O*-p-coumaroyl) glucopyranoside (Saxena and Bhadoria, 1990) and after extensive structure elucidation, it was identified as 7-hydroxy-4'-methoxy-3prenylisoflavone.



С#	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	¹ H*	¹³ C	¹³ C*
	Multiplicity,	$(\delta H, Multiplicity, U =)$		
	(J IN HZ)	(J IN HZ)		
2	8.14, s	8.20, s	154.0	156.0
3	-	-	125.9	124.9
4	-	-	176.4	178.4
5	8.06 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.7)	8.10 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7)	129.1	130.1
6	6.96 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.7, 2.1)	7.00 (d, $J = 2.4$)	111.6	113.6
7	-	-	159.5	160.5
8	6.90 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.1)	7.00 (d, $J = 2.4$)	103.8	104.8
9	-	-	164.2	166.2
10	-	-	130.9	131.9
1'	-	-	126.0	127.0
2'	7.40 (d, $J = 2.1$)	7.70 9d, $J = 2.3$)	131.6	132.6
3'	-	-	130.9	1311.9
4'	-	-	158.7	159.7
5'	6.99 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.4)	7.10 (d, $J = 8.8$)	119.1	120.1
6'	7.43 (d, <i>J</i> = 2.1, 8.4)	7.52(d, J = 8.7, 2.5)	129.3	128.3
1"	3.34 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.5)	3.50 (d, J = 7.9)	31.8	32.0
2"	5.31, m	5.40, m	124.3	125.3
3"	-	-	133.2	134.2
4"-Me	1.72, s	1.77, s	26.6	27.6
5"-Me	1.70, s	1.80, s	18.5	19.5
4'-OMe	3.88, s	4.00, s	56.5	56.0

Table 23: ¹H (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) data for 7hydroxy-4'-methoxy-3-prenylisoflavone (147)

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Yenesew *et al.*, 2006)

4.1.3.2 Erythrinasinate A (148)

Compound **148** was obtained as a white powder, m.p. 112-114°C (Lit. 114-116°C; Nkengfack, *et al.*, 1997; Yenesew *et al.*, 2006) with a molecular ion at m/z of 587.5 corresponding to the molecular formula of $C_{38}H_{67}O_4$. The ¹H NMR spectrum (**Table 24**, **Appendix 17**) exhibited the presence of an ABX spin system at δ_H 7.04 (1H, d, J = 1.6Hz, H-2), 6.92 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-5) and 7.10 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, H-6,) of a trisubstituted benzene ring. Also observed were signals typical of olefinic protons which were *trans* in orientation (Pavia *et al.*, 2009) at δ 7.62 (1H, d, J = 16.2 Hz, H-1') and 6.30 (H-2', 1H, d, J = 15.8 Hz) which together with peaks at δ 4.19 (H-1", 2H, t, J = 7.0 Hz), 1.66 (H-2", m) and a broad singlet at δ 1.25 (4"-28-CH₂)_n and δ 0.88 (28-Me, t, J = 7.0 Hz) suggested that this compound was a cinnamyl ester derivative substituted at C-3 and C-4 (Nkengfack *et al.*, 1997, Pavia *et al.*, 2009). The presence of hydroxyl group at C-4 was evidenced by a broad singlet signal at δ 5.89 while the methoxy group at C-3 appeared as a singlet at δ 3.93. The ¹H NMR signals were corroborated by corresponding ¹³C NMR signals at δ 109.9 (C-2), 114.6 (C-5), 123.1 (C-6) typical of aromatic carbons, 115.6 (C-1'), 167.0 (C-2') characteristic of olefinic carbons and δ 29.7 which was assigned to 4"-25". The spectral data of this compound was consistent with that of erythrisinate **A** previously isolated from other *Erythrina* species (Nkengfack *et al.*, 1997, Yenesew *et al.*, 2006; Wandji *et al.*, 1990).



С#	¹ H	$^{1}\mathrm{H*}$	¹³ C	¹³ C*
	Multiplicity, $(J \text{ in } Hz)$	Multiplicity, $(J \text{ in } Hz)$		
1		-	127.0	127.3
2	7.04 (d, <i>J</i> = 1.6)	7.04 (d, $J = 1.1$)	109.9	109.5
3	-	-	147.8	148.1
4	-	-	146.7	147.0
5	6.92 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6)	6.93 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.1)	114.6	114.9
6	7.10 (d, $J = 8.0, 1.6$)	7.07 (d, $J = 8.4$)	123.1	123.3
1'	7.62 (d, <i>J</i> = 16.2)	7.61 (d, $J = 16.0$)	115.6	144.8
2'	6.30 (d, <i>J</i> = 15.8)	6.28 (d, J = 16.0)	167.0	115.9
3'	-	-	167.5	167.6
1"	4.91 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.0)	4.20	64.6	64.9
2"	1.66, m	1.70	29.4	29.0
3"	-	-	26.0	26.2
4"-25"	1.25, br s	1.27, br s	29.7	29.9
26"	-	-	31.9	32.1
27"	-	-	22.7	22.9
28"	0.88 (t, 7.0)	0.93 (t, 6.7)	14.1	14.3
3-OMe	3.93, s	3.90, s	55.9	56.2
4-OH	5.89, s	5.86, s	-	_

Table 24: ¹H (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz) data for Erythrinasinate A (148)

¹H* and ¹³C* NMR data (Yenesew *et al.*, 2006)

4.2 Biological Activity Studies

4.2.1 Preliminary bioassay analysis of crude extracts

The crude extracts of the three plants were initially investigated for bioactivity against *Plasmodium falciparum, Anopheles gambie* larvae and mature adults, some fungi: *Candida albicans, Aspergillus fumigatus, Aspergillus* niger and some bacteria: *Staphyloccocus aureus, Klebsiela pneumaoniaie, Samonella typhimurium, Streptococcus faecalis, Bacillus anthracis, Escherichia coli* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa in vitro.* The plant parts which showed significant activities against any of the test organisms were subjected to chromatographic separation. The results are highlighted in **section 4.2.1.1**.

4.2.1.1 In vitro Antiplasmodial activities of crude extracts from Lonchocarpus eriocalyx, Alysicarpus ovalifolius and Erythrina abyssinica

From *L. eriocalyx*, the MeOH extract showed high antiplasmodial activity ($p\leq0.05$) with IC₅₀ values of **423.0** and **365.2 µg/mL** against W2 and D6 strains of *P. falciparum*. Likewise, the activity of the DCM extract of *A. ovalifolius* was also high ($p\leq0.05$) with IC₅₀ values of **234.0** and and **482.0 µg/mL**. Similarly, the DCM extract of *E. abyssinica* showed the highest activity ($p\leq0.05$) with IC₅₀ values of **165.1** and **215.1 µg/mL**. However, the activity of mefloquine which used as positive control was superior with IC₅₀ values **16.1** and **22.30 µg/mL** against the same clones, respectively. In the previous investigations, the MeOH extract of the root bark of *L. eriocalyx* showed antiplasmodial activity against these strains of *P. falciparum* (Tuwei, 2006). In another study, the EtOAc extract of the stem bark of *E. abyssinica* also showed antiplasmodial activity against the *P. falciparum* with IC₅₀ values of 490 and 640 µg/mL (Yeneses *et al.*, 2006, 2004). This study therefore concurs with what is reported for *L. eriocalyx* and

E. abyssinica with respect to antiplasmodial activities. However, activity of *A.ovalifolius* is being reported for the first time.

Table 25: In vitro antiplasmodial activity (IC₅₀) of crude extracts against D6 and W2

Plant	Test Sample	Cle	one	Mean	CV%
		W2	D6	Test	
				Sample	
		IC ₅₀	IC ₅₀		
		(µg/mL)	(µg/mL)		
<i>L</i> .	<i>n</i> -heaxane	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Eriocalyx	EtOc	645.7	578.9	612.3	
(Stem)	DCM	575.5	478.8	527.2	
	MeOH	423.0	365.2	394.1	
	Mean Clone	411.1	355.7		
	LSD (p≤0.05)	0.	06	0.02	
<i>A</i> .	<i>n</i> -heaxane	323.0	546.0	434.5	
ovalifolius	EtOc	320.0	496.0	408.0	0.96
(Root)	DCM	234.0	482.0	358.0	
	MeOH	265.0	579.0	422.0	
	Mean Clone	285.5	525.8		
	LSD (p≤0.05)	0.	06	0.02	
Е.	<i>n</i> -heaxane	0.0	0.0	0.0	
abyssinica	EtOc	427.5	468.8	448.2	
(Leaves)	DCM	165.1	215.1	190.1	
	MeOH	327.5	368.8	348.2	
	Mean Clone	230.0	263.2		
	LSD (p≤0.05)	0.	06	0.02	
Mefloquine	$(1 \mu g/mL)$	16.1	22.3		

strains of P. falciparum

4.2.1.2 Larvicidal and Mosquitocidal activities of crude extracts from

Lonchocarpus eriocalyx, Alysicarpus ovalifolius and Erythrina abyssinica

The DCM extract of the stem bark of *L. eriocalyx* showed moderate larvicidal activity of 53.0±0.02% mortality with LC₅₀ value of 423.56 μ g/mL. MeOH extract was also moderately active against the adult mosquito with $59.4\pm0.06\%$ and a corresponding LC₅₀ value of **745.09 \mug/mL**. This study concurs with a previous investigation in which the stem bark of this plant showed larvicidal and mosquitocidal activities against Aedes aegypti (Yeneses et al., 2003a). The observed activity confirms the use of this plant by the Embu-Mbeere people as a mosquito repellant (Kareru et al., 2007, Coastes, 2002). From A. ovalifolius, the DCM and MeOH extracts of the root bark were highly active against A. gambie larvae with 87.70±0.01 and 77.80±0.01% mortalities and corresponding IC₅₀ values of **9.86** and **45.64 µg/mL**, respectively. MeOH extract also showed high adulticidal activity with $88.5\pm0.01\%$ mortality and IC₅₀ value of 17.83 μ g/mL. The MeOH extract of the leaves of *E. abyssinica* showed moderate larvicidal and mosquitocidal activities with 65.1±0.40 and 65.5±0.14% mortality and corresponding IC_{50} values of **218.90** and **231.90** µg/mL respectively. These results are in agreement with an earlier study in which the crude extracts of E. abyssinica showed larvicidal and mosquitocidal activities against Aedes aegypti (Irungu, 2012, Yenesew et al., 2006, Yenesew et al., 2003b). However, these activities were far much low compared to that of temephos (99.9±0.01%) which acted as a positive control. Details are contained in Table **26**.

Plant	Test Samples	Larvicidal acti	vity	Mosquitocidal activity		
		Mortality	LC ₅₀	Mortality	LC ₅₀	
		*(%)	(µg/mL)	*(%)	(µg/mL)	
<i>L. eriocalyx</i> (Stem)	<i>n</i> -hexane	39.9±0.05	754.98	39.4±0.06	945.09	
	DCM	53.0±0.02	423.56	23.2 ± 0.02	788.59	
	MeOH	29.9 ± 0.05	654.98	59.4±0.06	745.09	
A. ovalifolius (Root)	<i>n</i> -hexane	25.9±0.01	120.61	5.1±0.01	500.56	
	EtOAc	57.8±0.01	95.64	05.1±0.01	435.17	
	DCM	87.7±0.01	9.86	88.5±0.01	17.83	
	MeOH	77.8±0.01	45.64	15.1 ± 0.01	495.17	
<i>E. abyssinica</i> (Leaves)	<i>n</i> -hexane	37.5±0.2	664.87	37.4±0.52	805.43	
	DCM	47.5±0.20	564.87	47.4 ± 0.52	605.43	
	MeOH	65.1±0.40	218.90	65.5±0.14	231.90	
	1% acetone	1.0±0.34	-		-	
	Temephos	99.9±0.01	0.5	-	-	
	Lambdacyhalothrin (1 µg/mL)	-	-	98.02±0.1	0.01	

Table 26: Larvicidal and mosquitocidal activities of crude extracts as % mortality and LC₅₀ values

* Values are means \pm SD of three replicates recorded at a concentration of 125 μ g/mL

(>75%: highly active; 50-74%: moderate; 25-49%: weak; <25%: inactive (Globade, *et al.*, 2002)

4.2.1.3 *In vitro* Antifungal and Antibacterial tests

The *n*-hexane and DCM extracts of the stem bark of *L. eriocalyx* were inactive against *C. albicans*, *A. fumigatus* and *A. niger*, but, the MeOH extract showed mild activity against *A. niger* with inhibition zone of 8.5 ± 0.4 mm. The antifungal activity of the crude extracts of this plant is reported and this has been confirmed by this study (Abu Bakar *et al.*, 2007). The *n*-hexane, EtOAc and DCM extracts of the root bark of *A. ovalifolius* were also inactive against *C. albicans*, *A. fumigatus* and *A. niger*, however, the MeOH extract showed an intermediate activity with 11.2 ± 0.1 mm inhibition zone against *C. albicans*.

The *n*-hexane and MeOH extracts of *E. abyssinica* also showed intermediate activity against *C. albicans* with inhibition zone of 10.4 ± 0.2 and 13.2 ± 0.1 mm, respectively.

The crude samples were also investigated for antibacterial activity, whereby the DCM extract of L. eriocalyx was weak against B. anthracis and E. coli with inhibition zones of 7.4±0.2 7.9±0.1 mm, respectively. From A. ovalifolius, the DCM and MeOH extracts showed intermediate activity against S. aureus, with inhibition zones of 15.2±0.1 12.3±0.1 mm. Similarly, the DCM extract also showed weak activity against E. coli and K. pneumoniae with inhibition zones of 10.8±0.1 10.3±0.1 mm, respectively. The activity of MeOH extract was also intermediate against S. typhimurium with inhibition zone of **13.3±0.1 mm**. The antimicrobial assay of A. ovalifolius is being reported for the first time. The DCM extract of E. abyssinica showed intermediate activity against S. aureus, E. coli and K. pneumoniae with inhibition zones of 15.3±0.1, 10.8±0.1 and 10.3±0.1 mm, respectively. Likewise, the MeOH extract also showed intermediate activity against S. aureus with inhibition zones of 11.3±0.1 mm. In a previous study, the DCM extract of the stem bark of E. abyssinica was active against S. aureus and Trichophyton mentagrophytes with inhibition zones of 16 and 23 mm, respectively (Irungu, 2012). It is also reported that the MeOH extract of this plant showed intermediate antifungal activity against C. albicans and Cryptococcus neoformans (Tapiwa et al., 2016). Likewise, in a research study done on several *Erythrina* species in Uganda, the antibacterial activity was confirmed by positive results on tests against S.aureus and B. subtilis (Olila et al., 2007).

The antimicrobial activity tests in this study were quite comparable to what is contained in literature about *E. abyssinica* (Irungu, 2012; Yenesew, 2006). Detailed information of these activities are captured in **Table 27** and **28**.

Т	est Samples	Diameter/zones of inhibition (mm)			
		C. albicans	A. fumigatus	A. niger	
<i>L. eriocalyx</i> (Stem)	<i>n</i> -hexane	ND	ND	ND	
	DCM	5.0±0.2	5.5 ± 0.2	5.1±0.3	
	МеОН	5.4±0.2	6.3±0.3	8.5±0.4	
A. ovalifolius (Root)	<i>n</i> -hexane	5.3±0.1	ND	ND	
	EtOAC	5.3±0.01	5.2 ± 0.01	ND	
	DCM	ND	5.3±0.01	5.2±0.01	
	МеОН	11.2±0.1	7.4±0.1	5.8±0.2	
<i>E. abyssinica</i> (Leaves)	<i>n</i> -Hexane	10.4±0.2	7.3±0.3	8.5±0.4	
	EtOAc	5.3±0.01	5.2 ± 0.01	ND	
	DCM	5.3±0.01	5.2 ± 0.01	ND	
	MeOH	13.2±0.1	5.4 ± 0.1	5.8±0.2	
	Flu (20 µg/mL)	17.3±0.2	19.5±0.1	15.8±0.3	

Table 27: In vitro antifungal activities of crude extracts

* Values are means \pm SD of three replicates recorded at a concentration of 1000 $\mu g/mL$

Key: C. albicans (HG 392), A. fumigatus (HG 420), A. niger (ATCC 90028),

Flu = Fluconazole, ND = Not Detected

Activity scale: (> 17: Highly active; 11-16: intermediate; 7-10: weak; <6: resistant) (Singh *et al.*, 2002, McChesney *et al.* 1991).

Test Samples		Diameter/zones of inhibition (mm)						
		<i>S</i> .	<i>S</i> .	B. anthracis	Е.	K. pneu-	S. typhu-	P. aeuri-
		aureus	faecalis		coli	moniae	murium	ginosa
L. eriocalyx	<i>n</i> -hexane	ND						
(Stem)	DCM	6.2±0.1	6.1±0.1	7.4±0.2	7.9±0.1	6.2±0.2	3.4±0.1	5.8±0.1
	MeOH	5.3±0.2	5.0±0.4	5.3±0.4	5.1±0.2	6.3±0.3	8.4±0.3	5.4±0.4
A. ovalifolius (Root)	<i>n</i> -hexane	7.2±0.01	5.5±0.01	ND	ND	5.6±0.1	ND	ND
	EtOAC	5.0±0.4	5.2 ± 0.04	5.5 ± 0.06	5.6 ± 0.01	5.6±0.51	5.0 ± 0.08	ND
	DCM	15.2±0.1	6.0±0.1	4.6±0.1	10.8±0.1	10.3±0.1	5.0±0.1	5.1±0.1
	MeOH	12.3±0.1	6.2±0.1	5.6±0.1	8.1±0.1	8.0±0.2	13.3±0.1	6.1±0.2
<i>E. abyssinica</i> (Leaves)	<i>n</i> -Hexane	5.2±0.01	5.5±0.01	5.6±0.01	5.2±0.0	5.6±0.01	ND	ND
	EtOAc	5.2±0.07	5.5 ± 0.01	5.6±0.01	ND	5.0 ± 0.01	ND	ND
	DCM	15.3±0.1	7.0±0.1	4.6±0.1	10.8±0.1	10.3±0.1	5.0±0.1	4.1±0.1
	MeOH	11.3±0.1	6.2±0.1	5.6±0.1	8.1±0.1	5.0±0.2	5.3±0.1	5.1±0.2
	Am (20 μg/mL)	19.5.±0.1	19.3±0.3	16.7±0.1	18.5±0.1	19.9±0.2	19.6±0.0	17.7±0.3

 Table 28: In vitro antibacterial activities of crude extracts

Key: *S. aureus*, (ATCC 25922), *S. faecalis* (ATCC 25925), *K. pneumonia* (ATCC 90028), *S. typhimurium* (ATCC 25927), *E. coli* (K 12), *P. aeuruginosa* (ATCC 25923), *B. anthracis* (QST 713), Am = Amoxyllin, ND = Not Detected

* Values are means \pm SD of three replicates recorded at a concentration of 1000 μ g/mL

Activity scale: (> 17: Highly active; 11-16: intermediate; 7-10: weak; <6: resistant) (Singh *et al.*, 2002, McChesney *et al.* 1991).

4.2.2 Bioassay analysis of pure isolates

4.2.2.1 In vitro Antiplasmodial activities of pure isolates from Lonchocarpus eriocalyx, Alysicarpus ovalifolius and Erythrina abyssinica

The pure isolates obtained from the three plants were also investigated for bioactivity against *Plasmodium falciparum*, *Anopheles gambie* larvae and mature adults, some fungi: *Candida albicans, Aspergillus fumigatus* and *Aspergillus niger* and some bacteria: *Staphyloccocus aureus, Klebsiela pneumaoniaie, Samonella typhimurium, Streptococcus faecalis, Bacillus anthracis, Escherichia coli* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa in vitro*. These results are presented in the sections below;

From *L. eriocalyx*, lupeol (27) showed the highest activity of IC₅₀ values of 104.4±0.4 and 109.9±0.4 µg/mL against W2 and D6 strains of *P. falciparum*, respectively. However, the activity of mefloquine whish was used as the positive control was superior with IC₅₀ values 16.1±0.02 and 22.30±0.01 µg/mL against the same clones, respectively. This result are in agreement with a previous investigations in which lupeol (27) showed good antiplasmodial activity (Yenesew *et al.*, 2003a). The activity of β-sitosterol (134) against *P. falciparum* concurred with results from a previous study in which the IC₅₀ values of 424.21±3.8 and 564.31±0.2 µg/mL were obtained against W2 and D6 strains respectively (Tuwei, 2006). Koenidnie (146) from *A. ovalifolius* was the most active with IC₅₀ values of 63.0±0.01 and 54.2±0.04 µg/mL against W2 and D6 clones. The activity of Erythrinasinate A (148) from *E. abyssinica* was high and quite comparable to a previous study (Yenesew *et al.*, 1997). The activity of mefloquine was however much higher than that of the isolates. Details are as shown in Table 29. Table 29: In vitro antiplasmodial activity (IC₅₀) of pure isolates against D6 and W2

Plant	Test Samples	IC ₅₀ values* (µg/mL)		
		W2	D6	
L. eriocalyx	Lupeol (27)	104.4±0.4	109.9±0.4	
	Quercetin (65)	308.1±0.04	294.7±0.6	
	Apigenin (68)	972.1±0.05	606.1 ± 0.05	
	Friedelin (133)	250.7 ± 0.6	231.4±0.5	
	β -sitosterol (134)	187.6±0.04	206.6 ± 0.03	
	Lupenone (135)	208.1±0.04	394.7±0.6	
	β -sitosterol-3- <i>O</i> -glucoside (136)	579.3±0.3	559.9±0.5	
	Chrysin (137)	998.1±0.05	606.1 ± 0.05	
	Morinhydrate (138)	369.9±0.04	481.9 ± 0.8	
	Quercetin 3 <i>O</i> -glucoside (139)	665.8±0033	453.1±0.05	
	4', 5-dihydroxystilbene 3- <i>O</i> -glucoside (140)	909.1±0.04	546.1±0.15	
	Rutin (141)	123.4 ± 0.08	122.9±0.9	
A. ovalifolius	Plumbagin (142)	248.5 ± 0.04	234.3 ± 0.04	
U U	Orientin (143)	ND	ND	
	Mohanimbine (144)	130.0±0.01	279.0 ± 0.01	
	Koenimbine (145)	161.4 ± 0.02	176.7 ± 0.01	
	Koenidine (146)	63.0±0.01	54.20 ± 0.04	
E. abyssinica	7-Hydroxy-4'-methoxy-3- prenylisoflavone (147)	148.2±0.30	126.3±0.50	
	Erythinasinate A (148)	$\begin{array}{c} 104.5{\pm}0.70\\ 161.08{\pm}0.10^{\mathrm{b}}\end{array}$	109.1±0.50	
	Mefloquine (1 µg/mL)	16.1±0.02	22.3±0.01	

strains of P. falciparum

^b(Yenesew *et al.*, 1997)

* Values are means \pm SD of three replicates recorded at a concentration of 100 $\mu g/mL$

4.2.2.2 Larvicidal and Mosquitocidal activities of isolates from *Lonchocarpus* eriocalyx, Alysicarpus ovalifolius and Erythrina abyssinica

The larvicidal activity of lupeol (27) and β -sitosterol (134) from *L. eriocalyx* were moderate with 60.7±0.50 and 57.6±0.06 % mortality and corresponding LC₅₀ values of 157.88 and 212.33 µg/mL, respectively. Compound 27 also gave 50.3±0.53% knock down to the adult mosquito, while the larvicidal activity of β -sitosterol-3-*O*-glucoside (136) was also moderate. Mohaninbine (144) from *A. ovalifolius* showed the highest activity of 82.3±0.01% mortality with the lowest IC₅₀ value of 5.56 µg/mL. The activity of compound 144 explains the observed activity of the DCM extract which was notably high. Larvicidal assay of this plant is being reported for the first time. Pure isolates from *E. abyssinica* were weak/inactive against larvicidal as well as mosquitocidal activities. The observed activities were quite low relative to the positive controls used in the study. Details are contained in Table 30.

Table 30: Larvicidal and mosquitocidal activities of pure isolates as

Plant	Test Samples	Larvicidal a	ctivity	Mosquitocidal		
		Mortality	Mortolity I C		I.C.	
		*(%)	(ug/mL)	*(%)	(ug/mL)	
L. eriocalyx	Lupeol (27)	60.7±0.50	157.88	50.3±0.53	171.20	
	Quercetin (65)	24.4 ± 0.06	876.22		788.06	
				29.3 ± 0.05		
	Apigenin (68)	ND	-	ND	-	
	Friedelin (133)	47.6±0.50	456.99	17.8 ± 0.54	891.23	
	β -sitosterol (134)	57.6±0.06	212.33	26.1±0.03	587.43	
	Lupenone (135)	35.8±0.44	512.56	05.5 ± 0.32	734.09	
	β -sitosterol-3- O -	55.5±0.43	998.77	15.1±0.14	923.40	
	glucoside (136)					
	Chrysin (137)	10.9 ± 0.12	621.90	14.1 ± 0.21	341.45	
	Morinhydrate (138)	ND	436.99	17.8 ± 0.50	991.23	
	Quercetin 3 O-	3.6±0.08	582.33	16.1±0.03	587.43	
	glucoside (139)					
	4', 5-dihydroxystilbene	30.9±0.32	211.70	34.1±0.61	331.55	
	3- <i>O</i> -glucoside (140)					
	Rutin (141)	55.8 ± 0.34	312.56	25.5 ± 0.32	734.09	
А.	Plumbagin (142)					
ovalifolius						
	Orientin (143)	31.1±0.03	223.14	22.3 ± 0.01	230.04	
	Mohanimbine (144)	82.3±0.01	5.56	44.3±0.03	213.90	
	Koenimbine (145)	53.6±0.01	41.76	42.6 ± 0.02	260.46	
	Koenidine (146)	34.7 ± 0.04	87.54	30.7±0.03	289.07	
Е.	7-Hydroxy-4'-methoxy	18.2 ± 0.60	544.60	18.7 ± 0.64	532.50	
abyssinica	-3-prenylisoflavone					
	(147)					
	Erythrinasinate A (148)	14.5±0.9	234.95	4.3±0.19	623.45	
	1% acetone	1.0±0.34	-		-	
	Temephos	99.9±0.01	0.5	-	-	
	Lambdacyhalothrin	-	-	98.02±0.1	0.01	
	$(1 \mu g/mL)$					

% mortality and LC₅₀ values

* Values are means \pm SD of three replicates recorded at a concentration of 100 μ g/mL

(>75%: highly active; 50-74%: moderate; 25-49%: weak; <25%: inactive (Globade,

et al., 2002)

4.2.2.3 *In vitro* Antimicrobial tests for pure isolates from *L. eriocalyx*,

A. ovalifolius and E. abyssinica

Lupeol (27) apigenin (68) and morinhydrate (138) isolated from *L. eriocalyx* showed mild activity against *C. albicans* with inhibition zones of 9.60 ± 0.10 , 7.0 ± 0.20 and 8.4 ± 0.2 mm respectively. From *A. ovalifolius*, koenimbine (145) showed intermediate activity against *C. albicans* with inhibition zone of 13.5 ± 0.1 mm. Plumbagin (142), orientin (143) and koenidine (146) showed a weak activity against the same fungus with inhibition zones of 9.1 ± 0.1 , 8.4 ± 0.2 and 8.0 ± 0.2 , respectivley. 7-hydroxy-4'-methoxy-3-prenylisoflavone (147) from *E. abyssinica* exhibited intermediate antifungal activity against *C. albicans* with a zone of inhibition of 14.5 ± 0.1 mm. The activity of compound 147 has confirmed the reported enhanced efficacy of prenylated flavonoids (Yenesew *et al.*, 2004). Fluconazole was used as the standard drug and had inhibition zone of 17.3 ± 0.2 , 19.5 ± 0.1 and 15.8 ± 0.3 against *C. albicans*, *A. fumigatus* and *A.niger*, respectively.

For antibacterial activity tests, β -sitosterol (134) from *L. eriocalyx* showed intermediate activity against *S. typhimurium* with inhibition zone of 9.9±0.1 mm. Rutin (141) also showed intermediate activity against all the Gram-negative bacteria used as test micro-organisms with inhibition zones of 11.3±0.3, 9.8±0.3 and 9.1±0.2 mm against *S. typhimurium*, *P. aeuriginosa* and *K. pneumoniae*, respectively. The activities of other compounds obtained from this plant were lowl relative to the standard drug used. The antimicrobial activity of *L. eriocalyx* is reported hence this study confirms what is documented in literature (Abu Bakar *et al.*, 2007). *From A. ovalifolius*, only mohanimbine (144) exhibited intermediate activity against *C. albicans* with an inhibition zone of 13.8±0.1 mm. The two compounds obtained from *E. abyssinica*, showed weak activity against the

test bacteria used in this study. This study is in agreement with what is contained in literature about the antibacterial activities of the genus *Erythrina* (Tuwei, 2006). Moreover, flavonoids from *Erythrina stricta* showed activity against *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* with an MIC value of 12.5 μ g/mL (Thitima *et al.*, 2007). In a previous study, the root bark of *E. abyssinica* produced several pterocarpenes and flavonoids which exhibited antimicrobial activities (Yenesew *et al.*, 2003a). However, the activity of amoxyllin which was used as the positive control was much higher than the isolates.

Test Samples		Diameter/zones of inhibition (mm)				
		C. albicans	A. fumigatus	A. niger		
L. eriocalyx	Lupeol (27)	9.6±0.1	4.4±0.2	5.1±0.2		
	Quercetin (65)	5.0±0.2	6.0±0.1	5.1±0.2		
	Apigenin (68)	7.0±0.2	6.5±0.2	6.1±0.3		
	Friedelin (133)	5.0 ±0.3	5.2±0.2	5.3±0.7		
	β-sitosterol (134)	5.2 ±0.1	ND	ND		
	Lupenone (135)	5.0±0.2	5.5 ± 0.2	5.1±0.3		
	β-sitosterol-3-O-	5.1±0.2	5.1±0.4	5.1±0.1		
	glucoside (136)					
	Chrysin (137)	6.6±0.1	5.4 ± 0.2	5.1±0.2		
	Morin hydrate (138)	8.4±0.2	5.3±0.3	5.5±0.4		
	Quercetin 3-O	ND	5.1±0.2	5.3±0.3		
	glucoside (139)					
	4', 5-dihydroxystilbene 3- <i>O</i> -glucoside (140)	6.6±0.1	5.4±0.2	5.1±0.2		
	Rutin (141)	ND	ND	ND		
A. ovalifolius	Plumbagin (142)	9.1±0.1	7.2±0.2	6.5±0.1		
	Orientin (143)	8.4±0.2	6.3±0.3	7.5±0.4		
	Mohanimbine (144)	5.3±0.5	5.1±0.6	5.1±0.5		
	Koenimbine (145)	13.5±0.1	6.7±0.1	6.5±0.1		
	Koenidine (146)	8.0±0.2	6.5±0.2	7.1±0.3		
E. abyssinica	7-Hydroxy-4'-methoxy-	14.5±0.1	6.7±0.1	6.5±0.1		
	3-prenylisoflavone (147)					
	Erythrinasinate A (148)	5.0±0.2	5.5±0.2	6.1±0.3		
	Flu (20 µg/mL)	17.3±0.2	19.5±0.1	15.8±0.3		

Table 31: In vitro antifungal activities of pure isolates

Key: *C. albicans* (HG 392), *A. fumigatus* (HG 420), *A. niger* (ATCC 90028), Flu = Fluconazol, ND = Not Detected

* Values are means \pm SD of three replicates recorded at a concentration of 100 μ g/mL

Activity scale: (> 17: Highly active; 11-16: intermediate; 7-10: weak; <6: resistant) (Singh *et al.*, 2002, McChesney *et al.* 1991).

Test Samples		Diameter/zones of inhibition (mm)						
		S. aureus	S. faecalis	B. anthracis	E. coli	K. pneu- moniae	S. typhu- murium	P. aeuri- ginosa
L. eriocalyx	Lupeol (27)	5.4±0.0	6.3±0.1	5.1±0.1	6.7±0.2	5.2±0.1	ND	5.6±0.2
	Quercetin (65)	5.4±0.0	5.3±0.1	5.1±0.1	6.8 ± 0.1	5.3±0.1	ND	5.6±0.2
	Apigenin (68)	5.3±0.2	5.3±0.2	5.2 ± 0.4	5.0 ± 0.2	5.1±0.2	5.3±0.3	ND
	Friedelin (133)	5.2±0.2	5.6±0.1	5.2±0.1	5.1±0.2	5.7±0.2	5.0 ± 0.1	5.2 ± 0.2
	β -sitosterol (134)	5.1±0.1	5.1±0.2	5.0 ± 0.2	5.0±0.3	5.6±0.3	9.9±0.1	5.1±0.3
	Lupenone (135)	5.3±0.2	5.1±0.4	5.3±0.4	5.1±0.2	5.3±0.3	7.4 ± 0.3	5.4 ± 0.4
	β -sitosterol-3- <i>O</i> -glucoside (136)	5.4±0.0	5.3±0.1	5.1±0.1	6.3±0.1	5.3±0.1	5.0±0.2	5.6±0.2
	Chrysin (137)	7.2±0.1	5.1±0.1	5.4±0.2	5.0±0.1	5.2±0.2	5.4±0.1	4.8±0.1
	Morin hydrate (138)	5.3±0.2	5.1±0.4	5.3±0.4	5.1±0.2	5.3 ± 0.3	7.4 ± 0.3	5.4 ± 0.4
	Quercetin 3-0	5.3±0.2	5.1±0.4	5.3±0.4	5.1±0.2	5.3±0.3	7.4±0.3	5.4 ± 0.4
	glucoside (139) 4', 5-dihydroxystilbene 3- <i>O</i> -glucoside (140)	ND	ND	ND	ND	5.3±0.1	5.8±0.3	5.3±0.2
	Rutin (141)	5.3±0.2	5.3±0.2	5.2±0.4	5.1±0.2	9.1±0.2	11.3±0.3	9.8±0.3
A. ovalifolius	Plumbagin (142)	5.2±0.1	5.1±0.1	5.4 ± 0.2	5.3±0.1	5.2 ± 0.2	5.2±0.1	5.8±0.1
	Orientin (143)	5.1±0.1	5.7±0.1	5.2 ± 0.2	ND	ND	5.3±0.3	ND
	Mohanimbine (144)	13.8±0.1	5.5±0.3	4.4±0.3	5.6±0.3	7.2±0.2	8.1±0.2	5.3±0.2
	Koenimbine (145)	6.4±0.0	6.3±0.1	5.1±0.1	5.8 ± 0.1	5.3±0.1	5.0 ± 0.2	6.6±0.2
	Koenidine (146)	5.2±0.1	6.1±0.1	7.4 ± 0.2	5.9 ± 0.1	6.2 ± 0.2	9.4±0.1	8.8 ± 0.1
E. abyssinica	7-Hydroxy-4'-methoxy-3- prenylisoflavone (147)	5.4±0.01	5.3±0.1	5.1±0.1	5.8±0.1	5.3±0.1	5.0±0.2	5.6±0.2
	Erythrinasinate A (148)	5.3±0.2	5.3±0.2	5.2±0.4	5.1±0.2	5.7 ± 0.2	5.6±0.3	ND
	Am (20 µg/mL)	19.5.±0.1	19.3±0.3	16.7±0.1	18.5±0.1	19.9±0.	19.6±0.0	17.7±0.3
Key: S. aureus, (ATCC 25922), S. faecalis (ATCC 25925), K. pneumonia (ATCC 25922), S. typhimurium (ATCC 25927), E. coli (K 12), B. courreginger (ATCC 25922)								

Table 32: In vitro antibacterial activities of pure isolates

Key: S. aureus, (ATCC 25922), S. faecalis (ATCC 25925), K. pneumonia (ATCC 90028), S. typhimurium (ATCC 25927), E. coli (K 12), P. aeuruginosa (ATCC 25923), B. anthracis (QST 713), Am = Amoxyllin, ND = Not Detected

* Values are means \pm SD of three replicates recorded at a concentration of 100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$

Activity scale: (> 17: Highly active; 11-16: intermediate; 7-10: weak; <6: resistant) (Singh *et al.*, 2002, McChesney *et al.* 1991).