NOTE

One New Flavonoid Glycoside from *Chrysanthemum morifolium*

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The investigation of water-soluble fraction of *Chrysanthemum morifolium* led to the isolation and purification of two compounds, namely morifonoside A (I) and chlorogenic acid (II), among which morifonoside A was one new flavonoid glycoside. The structure of morifonoside A was characterized as 4',5'-dihydroxy-3',5'-dimethoxy flavone 7-O- β -D-glucoside on the spectral analysis of ¹D and ²D NMR data.

Key Words: *Chrysanthemum morifolium*, Morifonoside A.

Chrysanthemum morifolium, one of the eight famous kinds of traditional Chinese medicine in Zhejiang Province, is a traditional agricultural medicinal plant widely used in China, Japan and Korea for pacifying living and improving eyesight. Modern pharmacological researches had also revealed that *C. morifolium* possessed the bioactivities of antianaphylaxis, anti-tumor, antimutagenesis and decompression, etc.¹⁻⁴. A systematic chemical study of *C. morifolium* resulted in the isolation of two compounds, among, which one was a new flavonoid glycoside. Structural elucidation of the new compound was carried out through spectral methods and reported in this article.

Herbal material: Dried plant of *C. morifolium* was purchased in Tongxiang city, Zhejiang Prov., China. Voucher specimen had been identified by pharmacognosist Zengxi Guo and also been kept under certain conditions for future identification.

Melting point was carried out with the capillary tube method, without the calibration of temperature. NMR data were obtained by Bruker ARX-500. IR was carried out with Bruker IFS-55. High resolution MS was carried out with Bruker micrOTOFQ 125. All used reagents were of analytical grade and purchased from Hanbon Sci. and Tech Co. Ltd., (Huaian, Jiangsu Prov.).

Isolation procedure: The dried powder of *C. morifolium* (500 g) was refluxed with 70 % EtOH for 1 h, then the extract was concentrated and suspended in H₂O. After partition with

CHCl₃, EtOAc and *n*-BuOH. The H₂O layer then underwent isolation by D-101 macroporous resin, with gradient elution of MeOH-H₂O (1:10-10:1), giving 10 fractions. Fraction 3 was then isolated on a C₁₈ open column and further purified with Sephadex LH-20 and preparative RP HPLC, which finally yielded two compounds, morifonoside A (I, 3.2 mg) and chlorogenic acid (II, 15.4 mg).

Compound morifonoside A (I) (Fig. 1), yellow amorphous powder, had the melting point at 185-187 °C. The HR MS showed that I had the *m/z* 493.1349 ([M+H]⁺, calc. 493.1340) and 515.1168 ([M+Na]⁺, calc. 515.1160), indicating the molecular formula to be C₂₃H₂₄O₁₂. In the ¹H NMR spectrum (Table-1), the aromatic protons signals at δ 6.32 (1H, d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, H-6) and 6.81 (1H, δ , *J* = 2.1 Hz, H-8) indicated the presence of a AB coupling system, while 7.21 (2H, s, H-2', 6') showed a typical A₂ coupling system. Combining with the proton singlet at δ 6.97 (1H, s, H-3), a flavone structure could be ensured. The proton signal at δ 3.66 (6H, s, -OCH₃) exhibited a single peak, revealing the existence of two methoxyls and these two methoxyl groups could only be assigned to the positions 3' and 5' of C ring in flavone, instead of 3' and 4', otherwise the single peak of H-2', 6' would be interfered to generate a split and form two doublet peaks. The signal at δ 5.01 (1H, d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, H-1'') belonged to the anomeric proton of glycoside and the anomeric configuration was deduced to be β according to the coupling constant (6.9 Hz).

TABLE-1
¹H AND ¹³C-NMR DATA FOR
 MORIFONOSIDE A (500 MHz, ppm in D₂O)

	¹ H-NMR (J in Hz)	¹³ C-NMR
Aglycone		
2		162.3
3	6.97 (1H, s)	101.6
4		179.3
5		156.4
6	6.32 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 2.1)	101.2
7		161.7
8	6.81 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 2.1)	100.5
9		155.4
10		105.9
1'		121.4
2'	7.21 (1H, s)	103.9
3'		146.5
4'		141.6
5'		146.5
6'	7.21 (1H, s)	103.9
OCH ₃ -3', 5'	3.66 (6H, s)	56.1
Gly		
1''	5.01 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 6.9)	104.1
2''	3.13 (1H, m)	71.6
3''	3.34 (1H, m)	74.5
4''	3.18 (1H, m)	70.6
5''	3.45 (1H, m)	79.4
6''	3.37 (2H, m)	61.3

The ¹³C NMR signals (Table-1) also provided the evidence of flavone structure with methoxyl groups and glucosylation. HMQC spectrum helped to distinguish out the protons to each carbon, respectively. The HMBC correlation from H-1'' to C-7 revealed that the sugar moiety was linked to the aglycone position at C-7 and correlations from 3'-OCH₃ to C-2', 4' and 5'-OCH₃ to C-4', 6' confirmed the conjunction positions of the two methoxyl groups. In the NOESY spectrum, the correlations

of H-1'' to H-6 and H-8, 3'-OCH₃ to H-2' and 5'-OCH₃ to H-6' further strengthened the confirmation about ascription results. Therefore, I was elucidated to be 4',5'-dihydroxy-3',5'-dimethoxy flavone 7-O-β-D-glucoside and named as morifonoside A. The key correlations of HMBC and NOESY were shown in Fig. 2.

Fig. 1. Structure of morifonoside A

Fig. 2. Selected HMBC and NOESY correlations of morifonoside A

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