

Phytoconstituents from the genus *Petunia* – a review

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Summary

A review of the phytoconstituents of the genus *Petunia* (Solanaceae) so far reported, has been presented considering that the genus comprises of a number of varieties of ornamental garden plants with wide distribution, the flowers of which possess variously striped and colored corollas. Keeping in view of the potential of the genus, an attempt is made to present a review of phytoconstituents of the genus *Petunia* which still remains as a source of lead molecules.

Key words: *Petunia*; phytoconstituents; Solanaceae; review

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Introduction

Genus *Petunia* comprises of a number of varieties of ornamental garden plants, out of which only two species viz., *Petunia nyctaginiflora* Juss and *P. violacea* Lindl occur in India, the latter being originally native of Argentina [1]. *P.nyctaginiflora* has white flowers whereas *P.violacea* has flowers with violet colored petals. The genus has been investigated phytochemically and was reported to possess ergostane type steroids and was able to report some of its novel types viz., petuniasterones, petunioside and petuniolides. However, *P.nyctaginiflora* was found to be devoid of such compounds. Due to abundance of bioactive constituents in this genus and research work published on *Petunia* species, it was felt worthwhile to present a phytochemical review of all compound isolated so far from the genus *Petunia*.

A list of chemical constituents reported in literature from the genus *Petunia* till date is given below in the Table no. 1.

Table no.1: List of chemical constituents isolated from genus *Petunia*

Name of the compound	Source (plant part)	Structure	Reference numbers
Petuniasterone A	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	1	2
16-Keto-petuniasterone A- 7-acetate	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	2	3
Petuniasterone D	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	3	2
16-Keto-petuniasterone D- 7-acetate	<i>P.pardoi</i> (l)	4	3
7-deacetyl petuniasterone L	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	5	3
12- α - acetoxy petuniasterone D-7- acetate	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	6	4
17- β -hydroxy petuniasterone A	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	7	4
17- β -hydroxy petuniasterone A-7-acetate	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	8	5
30 hydroxy petuniasterone A	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	9	5
Petuniasterone E	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	10	5
Petuniasterone I	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	11	6
Petuniasterone J	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	12	6
Petuniasterone L	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	13	6
Petuniasterone K	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	14	6
12- ϵ -Acetoxy-11 β -hydroxy petuniasterone D-7-acetate	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)	15	6
12- ϵ -Acetoxy-11 β -hydroxy petuniasterone M-7-acetate	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)	16	6
Petuniasterone M	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)	17	6
12- α - acetoxy petuniasterone M-7	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)	18	6
30-Acetoxy petuniasterone A- 7- acetate	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l)	19	6

Petuniasterone O	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	20	7
Petuniasterone R	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	21	8
Petuniasterone S	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	22	9
Petunianine C	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	23	9
Petuniasterone B	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	24	2
Petuniasterone C	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	25	2
Petuniasterone C-7-acetate	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	26	5,6
Petuniasterone B-22-nicotinate	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	27	9
Petuniasterone B-7,22-dinicotinate	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	28	9
Petuniasterone C-7,22-diacetate	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	29	9
Petuniasterone C-22-nicotinate	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	30	9
Petuniasterone C-7-acetate,22-nicotinate	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	31	9
Petuniasterone C-7,22-dinicotinate	<i>P.inflata</i> (l)	32	9
Petunisterone F	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	33	5
Petuniasterone G1	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	34	5
Petuniasterone G2[24 epimeric petuniasterone G1]	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	34*	5
Petuniasterone H1	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	35	5
Petuniasterone H2[24 epimeric petuniasterone H1]	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l&s)	35*	5
Petuniasterons N	<i>P.hybrida</i> (l)	36	10
	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)		10
	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)		10
Petuniasterone P1	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	37	3
Petuniasterone P2	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	38	3
Petuniasterone P3	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	39	3
Petuniasterone P4	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	40	3
Petuniasterone Q	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	41	3
Petuniolide A	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)	42	11
Petuniolide B	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)	43	11
Petuniolide C	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	44	11
Petuniolide D	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (l)	45	11
Petuniolide E	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	46	3
Petuniolide F	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	47	3
Petuniolide G	<i>P.parodii</i> (l)	48	3
Petunioside A	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap)	49	12
Petunioside B	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap & s)	50	12,13
24 Epipetunioside B	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap)	50*	12
Petunioside	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap)	51	12

24 Epipetunioside C	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap)	51*	12
Petunioside D	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap & s)	52	12,13
Petunioside F	<i>P.hybrida</i> (s)	53	13
Petunioside I	<i>P.hybrida</i> (s)	54	14
Petunioside L	<i>P.hybrida</i> (s)	55	14
Petunioside N	<i>P.hybrida</i> (s)	56	14
Oleanic acid	<i>P.patagonica</i> (ap)	57	15
Cyclolanosterol	<i>P.nyctaginiflora</i> (ep)	58	16
Physalindicanol A	<i>P.nyctaginiflora</i> (ep)	59	16
Physalindicanol B	<i>P.nyctaginiflora</i> (ep)	60	16
β - sitosterol	<i>P.nyctaginiflora</i> (ep)	61	16
Ent-19-hydroxy 17- acetoxy beyer-15-ene	<i>P.patagonica</i> (ap)	62	15
Ent-beyer-15-en-17-oic acid	<i>P.patagonica</i> (ap)	63	15
Ent-16- β -hydroxy 17- acetoxy kaurene	<i>P.patagonica</i> (ap)	64	17
Ent-16- β ,17 dihydroxy kaurene	<i>P.patagonica</i> (ap)	65	17
Luteolin 7,3',4'-trimethyl ether	<i>P.patagonica</i> (ap)	66	15
Luteoline 7,3' dimethyl ether	<i>P.patagonica</i> (ap)	67	15
Taxifolin	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap)	68	18
Quercetin 3-O-(2'-O- β -D- glucopyranosyl)- β -D- galactopyranoside	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap)	69	18
Kaempferol-3-O-(2'-O- β -D- glucopyranosyl)- β -D- galactopyranoside	<i>P.hybrida</i> (ap)	70	18
2,3,4-tri(5 methylhexanoyl)- α -D-glucopyranosyl- β -D- fructofuranoside	<i>P.nyctaginiflora</i> (ep)	-	19
2,3,4-tri(6 methylheptanoyl)- α -D-glucopyranosyl- β -D- fructofuranoside	<i>P.nyctaginiflora</i> (ep)	-	19
Malvidin 3-O-(6-)-(4-O-(4-O- (6-O-feruloyl- β -D- glucopyranosyl)-E-p- coumaroyl)- α -rhamnosyl)- β - D-glucopyranoside)-5- β -D- glucopyranoside	<i>P.hybrida</i> (f)	-	20
Malvidin 3-O-(6-)-(4-O-(4-O- (6-O-E-p-coumaroyl- β -D- glucopyranosyl)-E-p- coumaroyl)- α -rhamnosyl)- β - D-glucopyranoside)-5- β -D-	<i>P.hybrida</i> (f)	-	20

glucopyranoside			
Malvidin	<i>P.hybrida</i> (f)	-	20
3-caffeoylglucosyl-p-coumaroylrutinoside-5-glucoside of malvidin	<i>P.hybrida</i> (f)	-	20
Petunidin	<i>P.hybrida</i> (f)	-	20
3-caffeoylglucosyl-p-coumaroylrutinoside-5-glucoside of petunidin	<i>P.hybrida</i> (f)	-	20
Delphinidin-3-O-[6-O-(4-O-(4-O-(6-O-(trans-caffeoyl)-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-trans-p-coumaroyl)-α-L-rhamnopyranosyl)-β-D-glucopyranoside]-5-O-[β-D-glucopyranoside]	<i>P.reitzii</i> (f)	-	21
Delphinidin-3-O-[6-O-(4-O-(4-O-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-trans-p-coumaroyl)-α-L-rhamnopyranosyl)-β-D-glucopyranoside]-5-O-[β-D-glucopyranoside]	<i>P.reitzii</i> (f)	-	21
Malvidin 3-O-[6-O-(4-O-E-caffeoyl-α-rhamnopyranosyl)-β-glucopyranoside]-5-O-β-glucopyranoside	<i>P.hybrida</i> (p)	-	22
Malvidin 3-O-[6-O-(4-O-Z-p-coumaroyl-α-rhamnopyranosyl)-β-glucopyranoside]-5-O-β-glucopyranoside	<i>P.hybrida</i> (p)	-	22
Cyanidin-3-glucoside	<i>P.exserta</i> (f)	-	23
Cyanidin-3-rutinoside	<i>P.exserta</i> (f)	-	23
Pelargonidin-3-glucoside	<i>P.exserta</i> (f)	-	23
Pelargonidin-3-rutinoside	<i>P.exserta</i> (f)	-	23
Malvidin 3-O-(6-)-(4-O-(4-O-(6-O-(trans-caffeoyl)-β-D-glucopyranosyl)-trans-p-coumaroyl)-α-L-rhamnopyranosyl)-β-D-glucopyranoside	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (f)	71	24
Malvidin 3-caffeoyl rutinoside	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (f)	-	24
Malvidin 3-p-coumaroyl rutinoside	<i>P.integrifolia</i> (f)	-	24

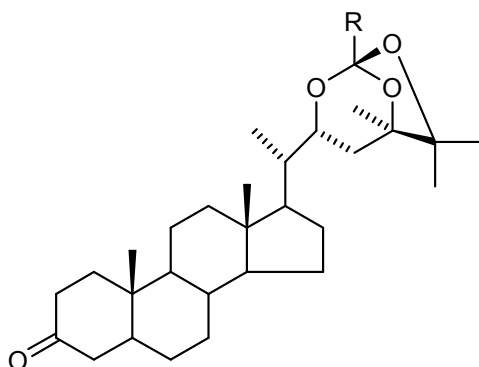
ap- aerial part; l-leaves; s-seed; ep-epigeal part; f-flower; p-petal.

Conclusion

The genus *Petunia* has been carefully studied for its phytoconstituents. Only 8 species have been phytochemically examined. The genus was reported to possess ergostane type steroids and of its novel types viz., petuniasterones, petunioside and petuniolides which could be used as marker for the genus. Hence exploration of this genus for phytoconstituents is by no means exhaustive and there still remains more scope for the study of bioactive molecules.

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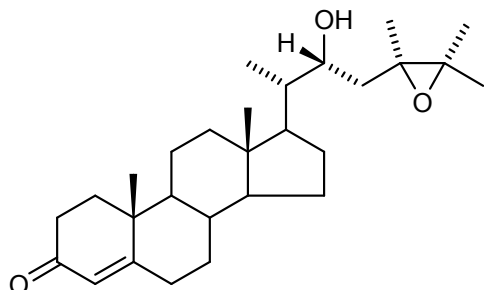


- 1: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_2\text{COSCH}_3$
- 2: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_2\text{COSCH}_3$
- 3: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$
- 4: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$
- 5: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $16\beta, 17\beta=\text{epoxy}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_2\text{COSCH}_3$
- 6: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=12\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$
- 7: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=17\beta=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{COSCH}_3$
- 8: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $17\beta=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{COSCH}_3$
- 9: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{CHOHCOSCH}_3$
- 10: Δ^4 ; $1\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_2\text{COSCH}_3$
- 11: Δ^1 ; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $4\beta, 5\beta=\text{epoxy}$; $17=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_2\text{COSCH}_3$
- 12: Δ^1 ; $7\alpha=12\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $4\beta, 5\beta=\text{epoxy}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$
- 13: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $16\beta, 17\beta=\text{epoxy}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_2\text{COSCH}_3$
- 14: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $16\beta, 17\beta=\text{epoxy}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$
- 15: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=12\epsilon=\text{OAc}$; $11\beta=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$
- 16: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=12\epsilon=\text{OAc}$; $11\beta=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$
- 17: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$
- 18: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $12\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $\text{R}=\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$
- 19: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $\text{R}=\text{CHOHCOSCH}_3$
- 20: Δ^1 ; $10\alpha=\text{Ox}$; $2\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $5\alpha=\text{OH}$; $6\alpha, 7\alpha=\text{epoxy}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$

21: $\Delta^{1,4}$; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $16\alpha,17\alpha=\text{epoxy}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_2\text{COSCH}_3$

22: Δ^4 ; $1\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$

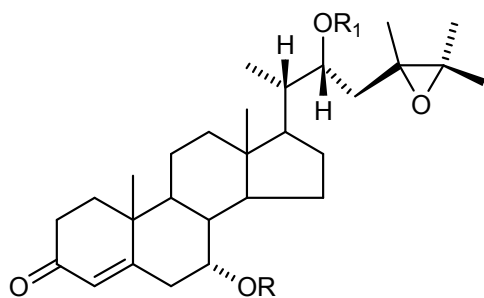
23: Δ^4 ; $1\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$; $\text{R}=\text{3-pyridyl}$



24: $1\alpha=\text{OAc}$; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$

25: Δ^1 ; $7\alpha=\text{OH}$

26: Δ^1 ; $7\alpha=\text{OAc}$



27: $\text{R}_1=\text{nicotinoyl}$; $\text{R}_2=\text{H}$; $1\alpha=\text{OAc}$

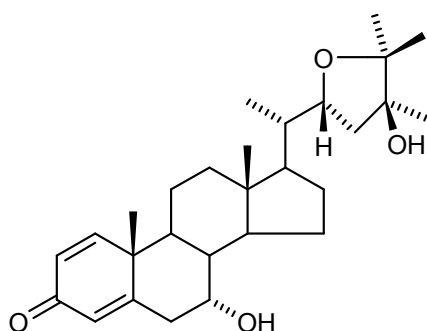
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29: $\Delta^{1,2}$; $\text{R}_1=\text{R}_2=\text{OAc}$

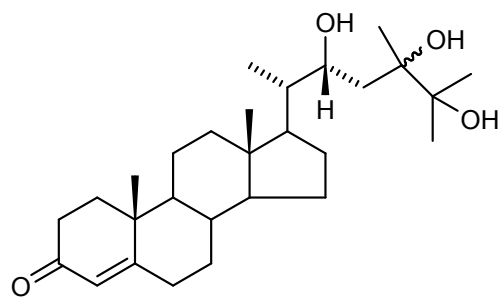
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31: $\Delta^{1,2}$; $\text{R}_1=\text{nicotinoyl}$; $\text{R}_2=\text{Ac}$

32: $\Delta^{1,2}$; $\text{R}_1=\text{R}_2=\text{nicotinoyl}$

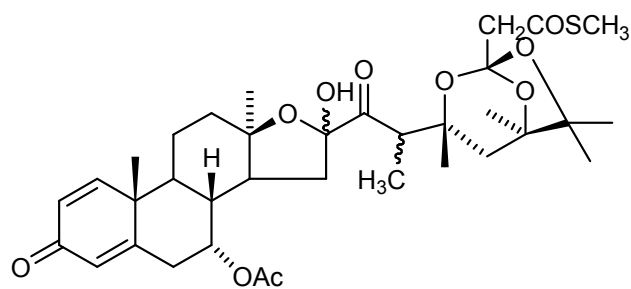


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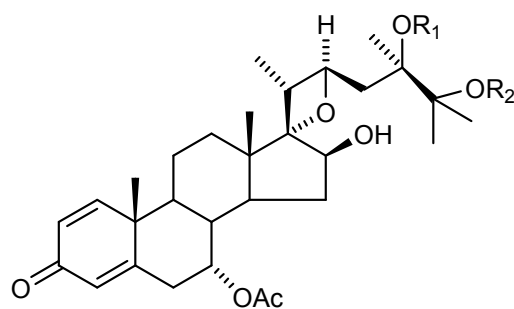


34: Δ^1 ; 7 α =OH

35: 1 α =OAc;7 α =OH



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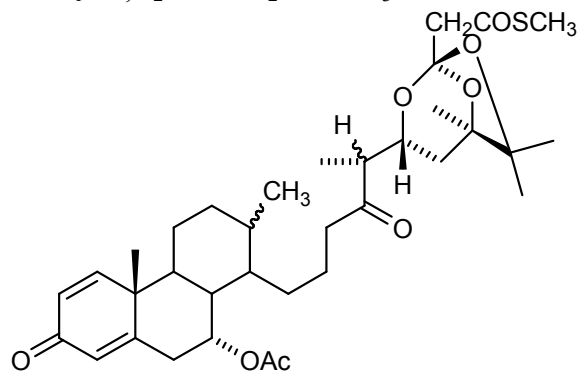


37: R₁=Ac;R₂=H

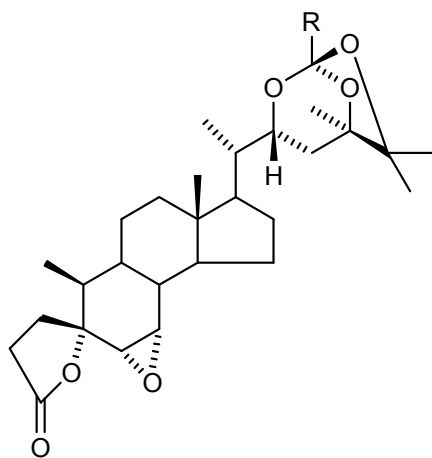
38: R₁=H;R₂=Ac

39: R₁=COCH₂COSCH₃;R₂=H

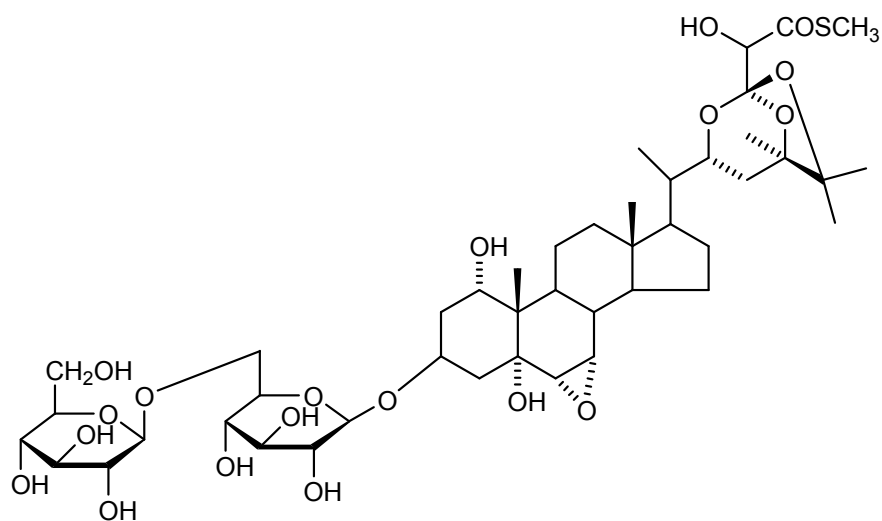
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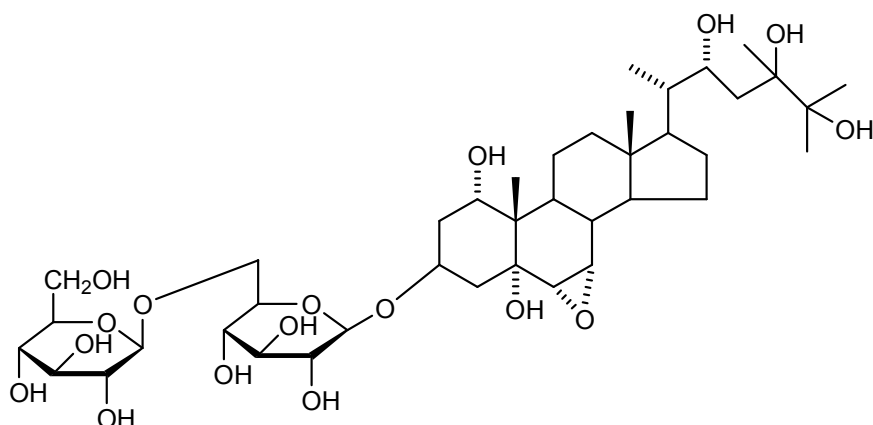
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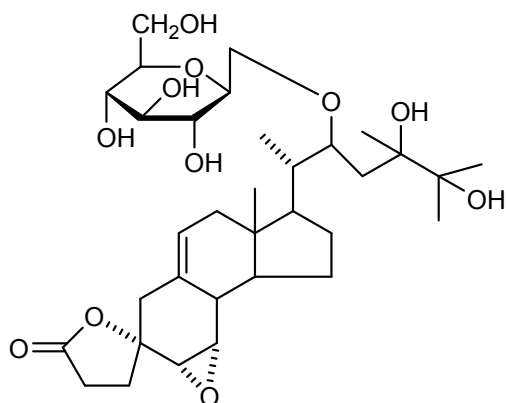
- 42: $\Delta^{9(11)}$; 12 α =OAc;6 α ,7 α =epoxy;R=CH₃
 43: $\Delta^{9(11)}$; 12 α =OAc;6 α ,7 α =epoxy;R=C₂H₅
 44: $\Delta^{9(11)}$; 12=Oxo;6 α ,7 α =epoxy;R=CH₃
 45: $\Delta^{9(11)}$; 12 α =Oxo;6 α ,7 α =epoxy;R=C₂H₅
 46: $\Delta^{9(11)}$; 6 α ,7 α =epoxy;R=CH₃
 47: Δ^{11} ; 9 β =OH;6 α ,7 α =epoxy;R=CH₃
 48: 9 β ,19 β =cyclopropyl;11 β =OH;12=Oxo;R=CH₃



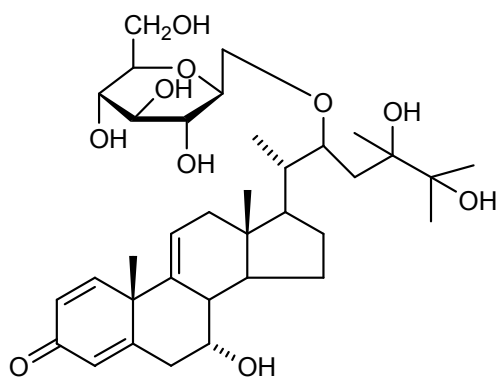
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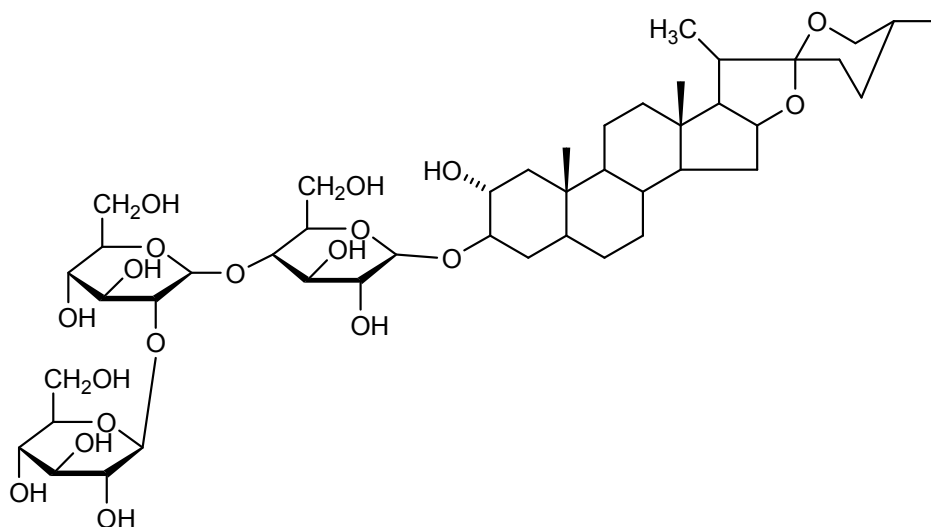
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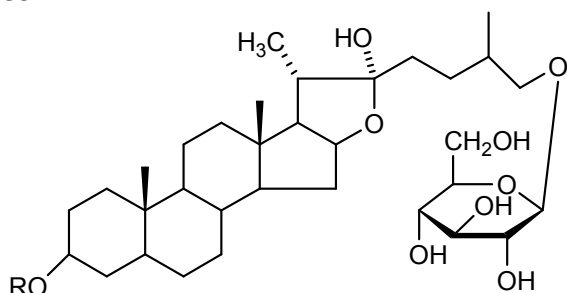
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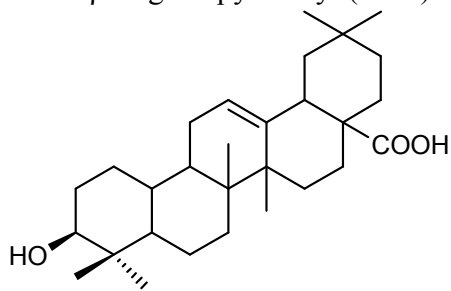
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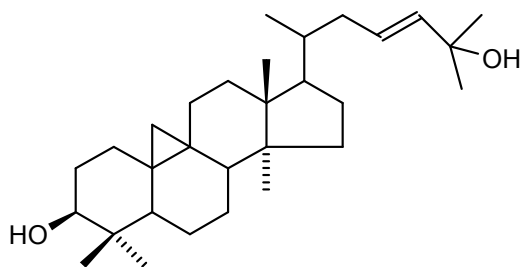
54: R= β -D-galactopyranoside

55: R= β -D-glucopyranosyl (1 \rightarrow 4) β -D-galactopyranoside

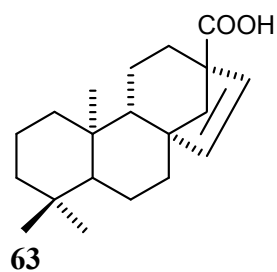
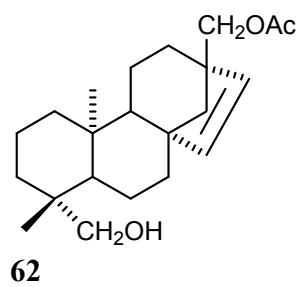
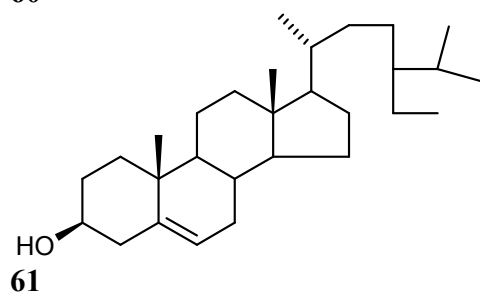
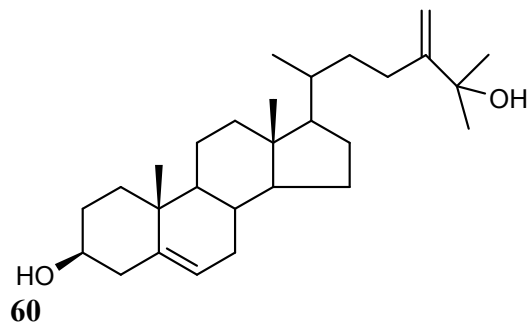
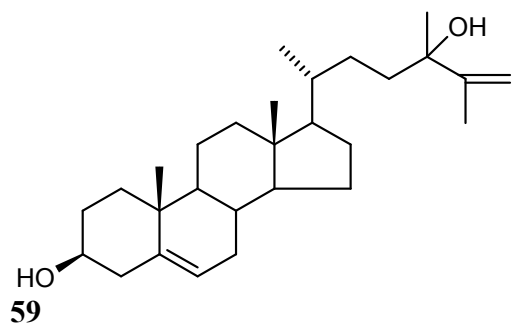
56: R= β -D-glucopyranosyl (1 \rightarrow 2) β -D-glucopyranosyl (1 \rightarrow 4)- β -D-galactopyranoside

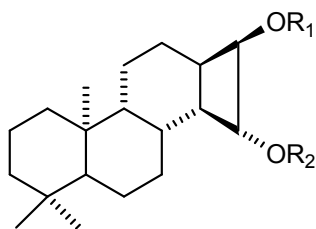


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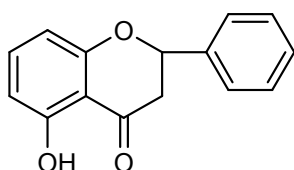
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64: $R_1=H; R_2=Ac$

65: $R_1=R_2=OH$



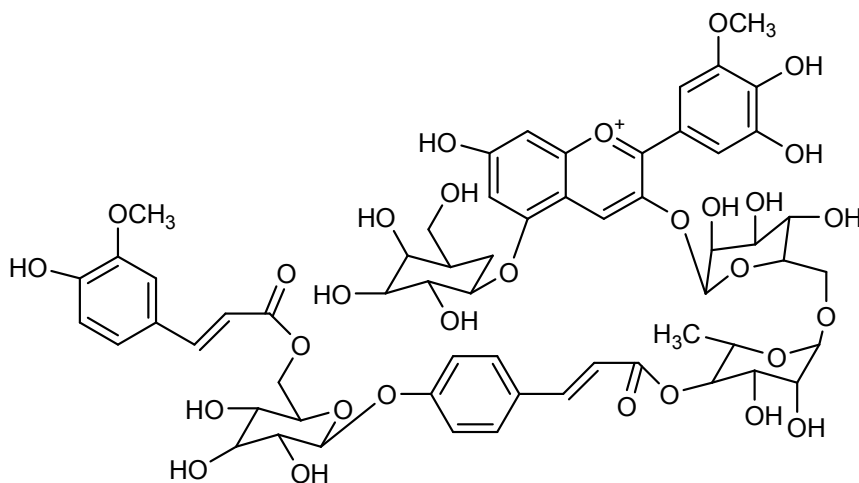
66: $\Delta^2; 7=3'=4'=OCH_3$

67: $\Delta^2; 7=3'=OCH_3; 4'=OH$

68: $7=3'=4'=OH$

69: $\Delta^2; 3=O-(glu-glu); 7=3'=4'=OH$

70: $\Delta^2; 7=4'=OH; 3=O-(glu-glu)$



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