Supporting Information

Anti-inflammatory terpenoids from Boswellia ovalifoliolata

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Cell lines, growth medium and treatment conditions. Human cancer cell line i.e., Leukemia (THP-1), Lung (A-549) and Colon (COLO-205) were procured from European Collection of cell culture (ECACC), UK. Cells were grown in RPMI-1640 medium supplemented with 10 % FCS and 1 % penicillin. Penicillin was dissolved in PBS and sterilized by filtering through 0.2μ m filter in laminar air flow hood. Cells were cultured in CO₂ incubator (New Brunswick, Galaxy 170R, Eppendroff) with an internal atmosphere of 95 % air and 5 % CO₂ gas and the cell lines were maintained at 37^oC. The media was stored at low temperature (2-8^oC). The medium for cryopreservation contained 20% FCS and 10% DMSO in growth medium.

Cell Cytotoxicity assay. SRB assay was performed in which cell suspension of optimum cell density was seeded and exposed to 1, 10 and 100 μ M concentrations of **2** and **5** in the culture medium. The cells were incubated with test samples for 48 h. Then the cells were fixed by adding trichloroacetic acid for 1 h at 4 °C. After 1 h the plates were washed five times with distilled water and allowed to dry in air. This was followed by the addition of 100 μ L of 0.4% sulphorhodamine (SRB) dye for 0.5 h at room temperature. Plates were then washed with 1% v/v acetic acid to remove the unbound SRB. The bound dye was solublized by adding 100 μ L of 10 mM Tris buffer (pH = 10.05) to each well. The plates were put on the shaker platform for 5 min to solublize the dye completely, and finally the reading was taken at 540 nm (Houghton et al., *Method*, 2007, **42**, 377-387).

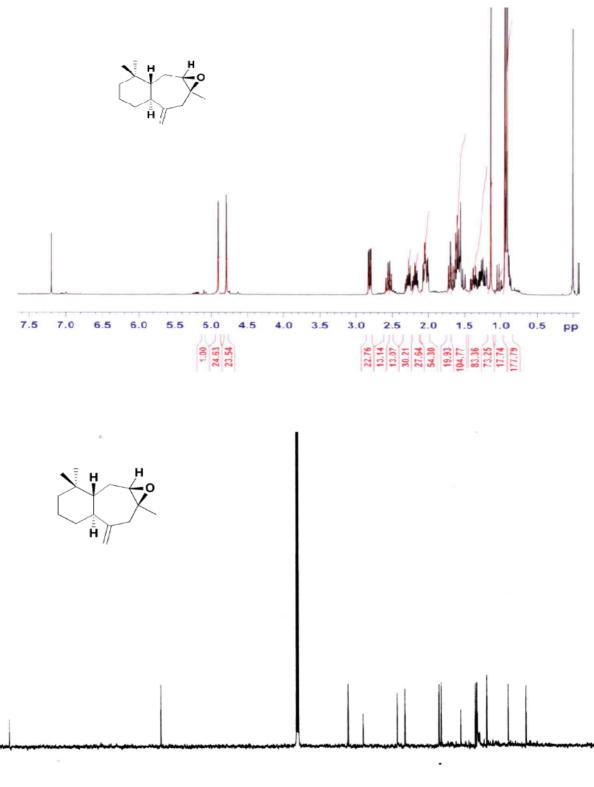
Cell line Type		LEUKEMIA	LUNG	COLON
		THP-1	A-549	COLO-205
Compound	Conc. (µM)	% GROWTH INHIBITION		
2	1	1	5	0
	10	9	12	5
	100	77	81	11
	1	0	3	0
5	10	1	10	0
	100	9	67	6
Mytomycin-C	1×10 ⁻⁶	37	56	34
5-FU	1×10 ⁻⁵	24	12	69

Table 1. In vitro Cytotoxicity of compound 2 and 5 against human cancer cell lines

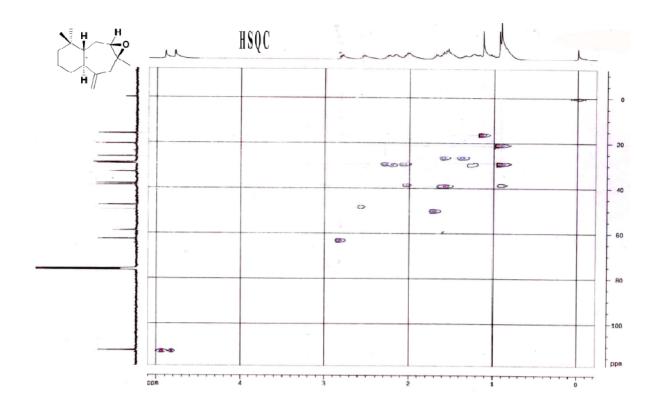
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4	9	<i>Nat. Prod. Rep.</i> , 2009 , 72–89.
5	10	<i>a) Phytochemistry</i> , 1969 , 669. b) <i>Phytochemistry</i>
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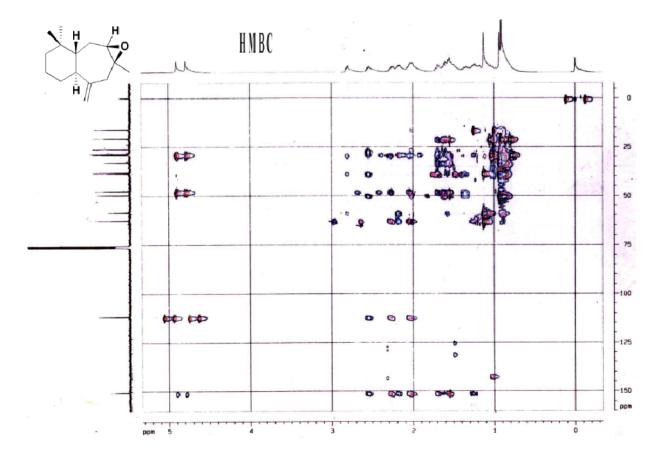
Table 2. List of known compounds and their references

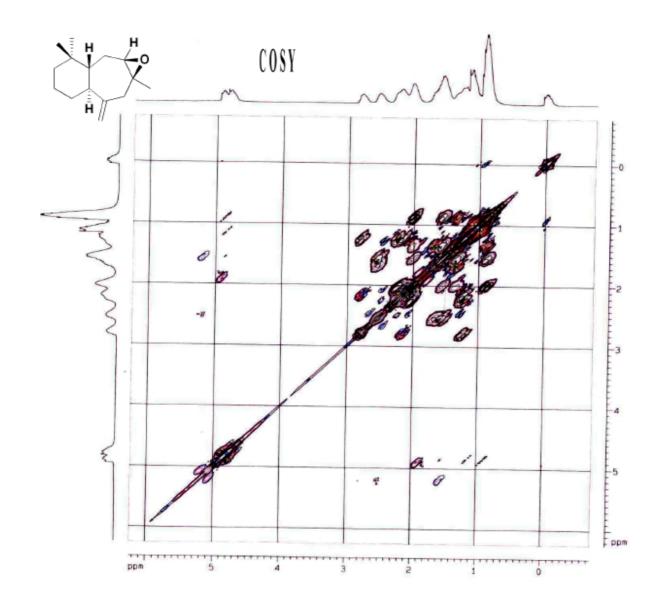
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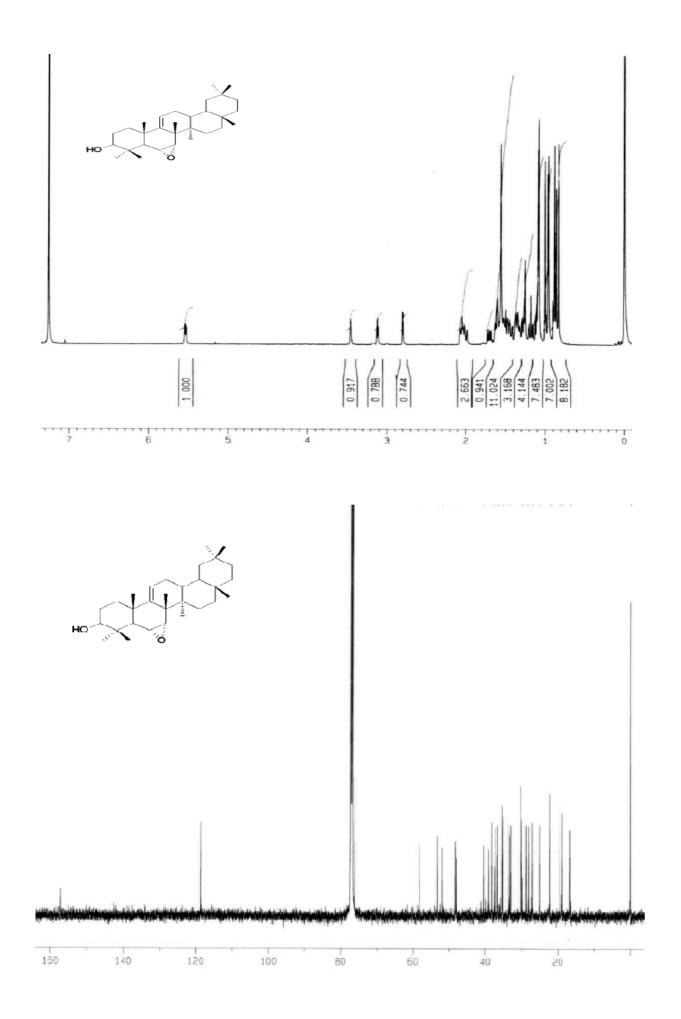


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