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# Cytotoxic Flavaglines and Bisamides from Aglaia edulis

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### **Abstract**

Two new cyclopenta[*b*]benzofurans, aglaroxin A 1-*O*-acetate (2) and 3'-methoxyaglaroxin A 1-*O*-acetate (3), a new benzo[*b*]oxepine, 19,20-dehydroedulisone A (4), and five new cyclopenta[*bc*]benzopyrans, edulirin A (5), edulirin A 10-*O*-acetate (6), 19,20-dehydroedulirin A (7), isoedulirin A (8), and isoedulirin B (9), were isolated from the bark of *Aglaia edulis*, along with one known cyclopenta[*b*]benzofuran, aglaroxin A (1). Additionally, four new amides, aglamides A–D (10–13), as well as three known compounds, aglalactone, scopoletin, and 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxyflavone, were isolated from the leaves and/or twigs of this species. The structures of the new compounds (2–13) were elucidated by interpretation of their spectroscopic data. All isolates obtained in this study were evaluated for cytotoxicity against both several human cancer cell lines (Lu1, LNCaP, and MCF-7) and a non-tumorigenic (HUVEC) cell line. Among these isolates, the cyclopenta[*b*]benzofurans (1–3) exhibited potent in vitro cytotoxic activity (ED<sub>50</sub> range 0.001 to 0.8 μg/mL). Aglaroxin A 1-*O*-acetate (2) was further evaluated in the in vivo P388 lymphocytic leukemia model, by intraperitoneal injection, but found to be inactive in this model.

The cyclopenta[b]benzofurans have been isolated only from the genus *Aglaia* (Meliaceae) and occur in two structurally related groups of compounds, the benzo[b]oxepines and cyclopenta[bc]benzopyrans.<sup>1,2</sup> These classes of compounds have been termed as "flavaglines" because their mutual biogenetic origin is postulated to involve a flavonoid unit linked to a cinnamic acid moiety.<sup>3–6</sup> Among the flavaglines, cyclopenta[b]benzofurans have received considerable recent attention as interesting lead compounds for cancer chemotherapy,<sup>6–20</sup> as a result of the cyclopenta[b]benzofuran derivative, rocaglamide from *Aglaia elliptifolia*, being found to exhibit antineoplastic activity in an in vivo model.<sup>20</sup> As a part of a National Cooperative Drug Discovery Group (NCDDG) program to discover new antitumor agents from plants,<sup>21</sup>,<sup>22</sup> the leaves, twigs, and bark of *Aglaia edulis* (Roxb.) Wall. (Meliaceae) were separately collected in Indonesia. The chloroform-soluble partitions of the three methanol extracts of these three plant parts were subjected to detailed investigation due to their cytotoxic activities demonstrated against a small panel of human cancer cell lines.

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Bioassay-guided purification of the bark of A. edulis led to the isolation of two new cyclopenta[b]benzofurans (2 and 3), a new benzo[b]oxepine (4), and five new cyclopenta[bc]benzopyrans (5–9), along with one known compound, aglaroxin A (1). Additionally, four new amides (10–13), as well as three known compounds were isolated from the leaves and/or twigs of this species. All isolates obtained in this study were evaluated for cytotoxicity against several human cancer cell lines and the new cyclopenta[b]benzofuran (2) was further tested in an in vivo model. In a preliminary investigation, two new benzo[b]oxepines and their hydrolytic derivatives were characterized from the bark of A. edulis.  $^{23}$ 

# **Results and Discussion**

The known cyclopenta[b]benzofuran, aglaroxin A (1) was isolated from the bark of A. *edulis*, and identified by comparison with literature spectroscopic data.<sup>5,24</sup> Three other known compounds, aglalactone,<sup>3,25</sup> scopoletin,<sup>26</sup> and 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxy-flavone<sup>27</sup> were obtained from the leaves and twigs.

Compound 2 was obtained as an amorphous powder,  $[\alpha]^{22}D - 69$  (c 0.1, EtOH). Its HRESIMS exhibited a sodiated molecular ion peak at m/z 584.1875, consistent with an elemental formula of C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>9</sub>Na (calcd 584.1891). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data of compound 2 exhibited a close similarity to those of aglaroxin A (1) suggesting that 2 is also a cyclopenta[b]benzofuran derivative. <sup>5</sup> Its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum showed signals for two aromatic rings, constituted by a characteristic AA'BB' system of a para-disubstituted benzene ring at  $\delta_H$  7.08 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-2', 6') and 6.63 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-3', 5'), and a monosubstituted benzene ring at  $\delta_H$  7.06 - 7.00 (3H, m, H-3", 4", 5") and 6.90 (2H, brd, J = 7.2 Hz, H-2", 6"), as well as a methylenedioxy signal at  $\delta_H$  5.87 and 5.86. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 2 further exhibited signals at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.00 (1H, J=5.3 Hz, H-1), 4.62 (1H, d, J = 13.6 Hz, H-3), and 4.19 (1H, dd, J = 13.6, 5.3 Hz, H-2), for H-1, H-3, and H-2, respectively. The downfield shift of H-1 from  $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.84 in aglaroxin A (1) to  $\delta_{\rm H}$  6.00 in compound 2, as well as a singlet signal at  $\delta_{H}$  1.90 (3H, s) in the  $^{1}H$  NMR spectrum suggested the presence of an acetyl group at C-1. Consistent with the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 2, its <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum also displayed the signals for a disubstituted and a monosubstituted benzene ring, as well as for two quaternary carbons at  $\delta_C$  101.0 (C-3a) and 93.3 (C-8b). In the HMBC spectrum of compound 2, correlations from H-1 and OAc to the signal at  $\delta_C$  169.8 indicated the acetoxy group to be located at C-1, while correlations from resonances for H-2 and the two N-Me groups to the signal at  $\delta_C$  167.5 suggested the location of the amide group at C-2. The relative configuration of compound 2 was established by analysis of the splitting patterns and coupling constants of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals. The vicinal coupling constant value of the methine protons at the C-1, 2, and 3 positions ( $J_{1,2} = 5.3 \text{ Hz}$ and  $J_{2,3} = 13.6$  Hz) were consistent with  $1\alpha$ ,  $2\alpha$ , and  $3\beta$  configurations, respectively, as well as a cis-B/C ring junction. <sup>17</sup> The NOESY correlations from H-2 to H-1, H-2', 6', and H-2", 6", from H-3 to H-2", 6", and from H-1 to H-2 confirmed the relative configurations of H-1, H-2 and H-3 as being  $\beta$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\alpha$ , respectively. The absolute configuration of compound 2 was determined as 1R, 2R, 3S, 3aR, and 8bS based on comparison of its CD spectrum with other rocaglamide derivatives, <sup>18,28</sup> which showed a strong negative Cotton effect around 220 nm as the most characteristic feature. Accordingly, the structure of 2 was assigned as aglaroxin A 1-O-acetate.

The molecular formula of compound **3** was determined as  $C_{32}H_{33}NO_{10}$ , from the sodiated molecular ion peak at m/z 614.1999 (calcd for  $C_{32}H_{33}NO_{10}Na$ , 614.1997) in the HRESIMS. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of compound **3** were similar to those of compound **2** except for evidence of an additional methoxy group on the B ring. The symmetrical <sup>1</sup>H NMR resonance pattern for the AA'BB'-system of the *para*-substituted B ring of compound

**2** changed in the case of compound **3** to an ABC pattern with one *meta*-coupled proton at  $\delta_H$  6.56 (1H, J=1.8 Hz, H-2'), one *ortho*-coupled proton at  $\delta_H$  6.67 (1H, d, J=8.5 Hz, H-5'), and one *ortho*- and *meta*-coupled proton at  $\delta_H$  6.84 (1H, dd, J=8.5, 1.8 Hz, H-6'). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR chemical shifts and coupling patterns agreed with the presence of a 3',4'-dimethoxyphenyl substituent. The CD spectrum of compound **3** was very similar to that of compound **2**, indicating also an absolute configuration of 1*R*, 2*R*, 3*S*, 3a*R*, and 8b*S*. Therefore, the structure of compound **3** was elucidated as 3'-methoxyaglaroxin A 1-*O*-acetate.

The HRESIMS of compound 4 provided a sodiated molecular ion peak at m/z 693.2421, corresponding to an elemental formula of C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub>Na (calcd 693.2418). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data of 4 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD revealed characteristic signals for three methoxy groups at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  3.82 (3H, s, MeO-6), 3.75 (3H, s, MeO-4'), and 3.14 (3H, s, MeO-10), for a parasubstituted aromatic ring at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.33 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-2', 6'), and 6.77 (2H, J = 8.8 Hz, H-3', 5'), and for a monosubstituted aromatic ring at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.50 (2H, brd, J=6.9 Hz, H-2", 6") and 7.23 (3H, m, H-3", 4", 5"). In addition, resonances for a methine pair appeared at  $\delta_H$ 5.20 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-3) and 4.84 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-4), and were mutually coupled in the <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum. Based on the observed HMQC correlations, these two signals were found to correspond to the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR signals at  $\delta_{C}$  51.9 (C-3) and 65.3 (C-4), respectively. Characteristic signals of a pyrrolidine-type bisamide unit in 4 were also apparent, with two carbonyl groups at  $\delta_C$  168.9 (C-11) and 167.7 (C-18). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum exhibited a signal for a vinyl proton at  $\delta_{H}$  5.45 (1H, s, H-19), together with the resonances of two geminal vinyl methyls at  $\delta_H$  2.15 (3H, s, H-21) and 1.93 (3H, s, H-22), indicating the presence of a terminal dimethylvinyl group in the bisamide side chain. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 4 also exhibited a conjugated carbonyl signal at  $\delta_C$  194.6 (C-5). All the above-mentioned NMR observations suggested that compound 4 is a benzo[b]oxepine derivative possessing a pyrrolidine-type bisamide side chain.<sup>5,6,23</sup> HMBC correlations from two methine protons,  $\delta_{\rm H}$  5.20 (H-3) and 4.84 (H-4), to  $\delta_{\rm C}$  168.9 (C-11), and from the proton at  $\delta_H$  5.20 (H-3) to  $\delta_C$  131.1 (C-2", 6") of the monosubstituted aromatic ring, indicated that the locations of the pyrrolidine-type bisamide unit and the aromatic ring are at C-4 and C-3, respectively. NOESY correlations were used to establish the relative configurations at all chiral centers in compound 4 except for C-13. The configuration at C-13 of 4 was proposed as 13R based on comparison of <sup>1</sup>H NMR chemical shifts of 2aminopyrrolidine unit with analogous data for the previously reported benzo[b]oxepine derivatives, edulisones A (13R), and B (13S), obtained in our laboratory.<sup>23</sup> In our preliminary investigation, it was found that several protons close to the epimeric site (C-13) of 13R and 13S benzo[b]oxepines have differential <sup>1</sup>H NMR chemical shifts.<sup>23</sup> The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 4 exhibited a similar chemical shift profile and splitting pattern to edulisone A (13R), showing signals for H-14a and H-14b at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.94 and 1.66, and overlapping signals for H-16a and H-16b centered at  $\delta_H$  3.38, respectively. Accordingly, the new compound 4 was assigned structurally as 19,20-dehydroedulisone A.

The  $^{1}$ H and  $^{13}$ C NMR spectra of compound **5** showed closely related signals to those of compound **2**, exhibiting typical resonances for a 6-methoxy-7,8-methylenedioxy substituted aromatic ring A, a *para*-substituted aromatic ring B, a monosubstituted aromatic ring C, and three methine protons. However, the signals for three methine protons of compound **5** showed different coupling patterns from those of compound **2**. The proton resonance at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.56 (1H, s, H-10) appeared as a sharp singlet, while the two other signals at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  4.37 (1H, d, J=9.3 Hz, H-3) and 4.22 (1H, d, J=9.3 Hz, H-4) were coupled to one another. In addition, two characteristic quaternary carbons of cyclopenta[b]benzofurans at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  101.0 and 93.3, corresponding to C-3a and C-8b in compound **2** were missing, and replaced in **5** by two quaternary carbon signals at  $\delta_{\rm C}$  89.7 (C-2) and 83.5 (C-5). Accordingly, the  $^{1}$ H and  $^{13}$ C NMR spectroscopic data suggested that compound **5** has a cyclopenta[bc]benzopyran

skeleton instead of being a cyclopenta[b]benzofuran.<sup>4,15</sup> In addition, characteristic signals of a pyrrolidine-type bisamide unit were apparent in compound 5, with two carbonyl group signals observed at  $\delta_C$  172.1 (C-11) and 174.1 (C-18). All of the above-mentioned NMR observations suggested that compound  $\bf 5$  is a cyclopenta[bc]benzopyran derivative containing a bisamide side chain.  $^{4-6,13,15,28-30}$  In the HMBC spectrum, correlations from the proton at  $\delta_H$  4.37 (H-3) to  $\delta_C$  172.1 (C-11) and 131.6 (C-2", 6") of the monosubstituted aromatic ring, and from the proton at  $\delta_H$  4.22 (H-4) to  $\delta_C$  109.9 (C-5a) and 172.1 (C-11), suggested that the locations of the aromatic ring and the pyrrolidine-type bisamide unit are at C-3 and C-4, respectively. The vicinal coupling constant (9.3 Hz) between H-3 and H-4 was only compatible with a H-3α and a H-4β configuration for this class of compound.<sup>4</sup> In addition, NOESY correlations were observed from H-3 and H-10 to H-2', 6' as well as from H-4 to H-2", 6", indicating the relative configurations at C-3, C-4, and C-10 as shown in Figure 1. However, the stereochemistry at C-13 remained uncertain for 5 because relevant NOESY correlations were not observed. Therefore, the structure of compound 5 was assigned as (-)-1-[(2R,3S,4R,5R,10S)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-5,10-dihydroxy-2-(4methoxyphenyl)-6-methoxy-7,8-methylenedioxy-3-phenyl-2,5-methano-1-benzoxepin-4carbonyl]-2-(3-methylbutanoyl-amino)-pyrrolidine, and has been named edulirin A.

The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data of compound **6** were almost identical to those of compound **5** except for signals denoting the presence of an additional acetate group at C-10. Compound **6** displayed very similar HMBC NMR spectroscopic correlations to compound **5**, supporting the attachment of the benzyl ring and the amide group to C-3 and C-4, respectively. Crosspeaks appearing between the methyl of the acetyl group and H-2", 6", and between H-10 and H-2', 6' in the NOESY spectrum, indicated the same configurations at C-3, C-4, and C-10 as in **5**. However, it was again not possible to determine the configuration of C-13. Thus, compound **6** was assigned as edulirin A 10-*O*-acetate.

Compound 7 was obtained as an amorphous powder. Its HRESIMS exhibited a sodiated molecular ion peak at m/z 665.2452, consistent with an elemental formula of  $C_{36}H_{38}N_2O_9Na$  (calcd 665.2469). The structure of compound 7 was found to be very similar to that of the compound 5. However, the  $^1H$  NMR spectrum of compound 7 exhibited a signal for a vinyl proton at  $\delta_H$  5.26 (1H, s, H-19), together with the resonances of two geminal vinyl methyls at  $\delta_H$  2.19 and 1.84, indicating the presence of a terminal dimethylvinyl group in a bisamide side chain. Its HMBC and NOESY NMR spectra were similar to those of compound 5. A combination of its 2D  $^1H$ - $^1H$  COSY, HMQC, and HMBC spectra, and the NOESY correlations from H-3 and H-10 to H-2', 6' and from H-4 to H-2", 6" were used to establish the same H-3 $\alpha$ , H-4 $\beta$ , and C-10 configurations as in edulirin A (5), with the C-13 configuration again unresolved. Therefore, compound 7 was assigned as 19,20-dehydroedulirin A.

A sodiated molecular ion of compound **8** was observed at m/z 667.2608 (calcd for  $C_{36}H_{40}N_2O_9Na$ , 667.2626) in the HRESIMS, which was used to obtain the molecular formula. The  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectroscopic data of compound **8** were closely comparable to those of edulirin A (**5**), suggesting this to be also a cyclopenta[bc]benzopyran derivative possessing a pyrrolidine-type bisamide side chain.  $^{6,28}$  However, the HMBC experiment clearly indicated that the substituents at C-3 and C-4 were mutually exchanged in these compounds. HMBC correlations from H-4 to C-5a and C-2", 6" and from H-3 to C-2 and C-11 suggested that the locations of the pyrrolidine-type bisamide unit and the aromatic ring are at C-3 and C-4, respectively, in compound **8**. The relative configurations at C-3 and C-4 were determined, in turn, as H-3 $\alpha$  and H-4 $\beta$ , based on the NOESY correlations between H-3 and H-2', 6' and between H-4 and H-2", 6", as well as the vicinal coupling constant value (7.0 Hz) between H-3 and H-4. It was not possible to assign the configuration at C-13 for this compound. Therefore, the structure of compound **8** was elucidated as (-)-1-[(2R, 3S, 4R,

5*R*,10*S*)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-5,10-dihydroxy-2 -(4-methoxyphenyl) -6-methoxy-7,8 - methylenedioxy-4-phenyl-2,5-methano-1-benzoxepin-3-carbonyl]-2-(3-methylbutanoylamino)-pyrrolidine, and has been named isoedulirin A.

Compound **9** was assigned the same molecular formula as compound **8** based on its observed sodiated molecular ion peak at *m/z* 667.2608 in the HRESIMS. Correlations from H-4 to C-5a and C-2", 6" and from H-3 to C-2 and C-11 were apparent in its HMBC NMR spectrum, indicating the locations of the pyrrolidine-type bisamide unit and the aromatic ring were same as in compound **8**. However, the stereochemistry at C-3 and C-4 of compound **9** was reversed as compared with compound **8**. In addition to the coupling constant of 11.0 Hz between H-3 and H-4, NOESY correlations between OCH<sub>3</sub>-6 and H-2", 6", between H-3 and H-2", 6", and between H-10 and H-2', 6' supported the assignments at C-3 and C-4 of compound **9** as being H-3β and H-4α, respectively.<sup>6,28</sup> The configuration at C-10 of **9** was identical to that of **8** based on the observed NOESY correlation between H-10 and H-2', 6', while no NOE was observed between H-10 and H-3 or H-4. Therefore, the structure of compound **9** was elucidated as (-)-1-[(2*R*,3*R*,4*S*,5*R*,10*S*)-2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-5,10-dihydroxy-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)-6-methoxy-7,8-memylenedioxy-4-phenyl-2,5-methano-1-benzoxepin-3-carbonyl]-2-(3-methylbutanoylamino)-pyrrolidine, and has been named as isoedulirin B. Once again, the C-13 configuration was unresolved.

Compound **10** was obtained as an amorphous powder,  $[\alpha]^{22}_D$  0 (c 0.1, MeOH). Its HREIMS exhibited a molecular ion peak at m/z 316.1225, consistent with a molecular formula of  $C_{17}H_{20}N_2O_2S$ . The presence of a cinnamoyl moiety was suggested by the characteristic signals at  $\delta_H$  7.68 (1H, d, J = 15.4 Hz, H-3"), 7.53 (2H, m, H-5", 9"), 7.36 (3H, m, H-6", 7", 8"), and 6.97 (1H, d, J = 15.4 Hz, H-2") in the  $^1H$  NMR spectrum.  $^{31,32}$  The coupling constant (J = 15.4 Hz) of H-2" and H-3" indicated an (E)-configuration of the cinnamoyl moiety.  $^{31,32}$  Characteristic signals of a 2-aminopyrrolidine unit in compound **10** were apparent from signals at  $\delta_H$  6.19 (1H, brt, J = 7.2 Hz, H-2'), 3.60 (1H, m, H-5'a), 3.43 (1H, m, H-5'b), 2.20 (1H, m, H-3'a), 2.00 (1H, m, H-3'b), and 1.96 (2H, m, H-4'). The chemical shift at  $\delta_H$  2.31 of a sharp methyl singlet was consistent with the presence of a S-CH<sub>3</sub> group,  $^{33}$  which was found to correspond to the  $^{13}$ C NMR signal at  $\delta_C$  15.0 based on the observed HMQC correlation. This functionality was linked to an olefinic group [ $\delta_H$  7.77 (1H, d, J = 14.6 Hz, H-3/ $\delta_C$  144.1 (C-3);  $\delta_H$  5.78 (1H, d, J = 14.6 Hz, H-2/ $\delta_C$  116.0 (C-2))], which was connected in turn to a carbonyl functionality ( $\delta_C$  163.9, C-1). Accordingly, the structure of compound **10** was elucidated as (E,E)-N-cinnamoyl-2-[3-(methylthio)propenoylamino]-pyrrolidine, and has been named aglamide A.

In the HRESIMS of compound **11**, a sodiated molecular ion peak was observed at m/z 355.1079, consistent with an elemental formula of  $C_{17}H_{20}N_2O_3SNa$ . The  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR spectra of **11** were closely comparable to those of **10**. The only differences in the 1D NMR spectra were that methyl signals migrated to  $\delta_H$  2.45 from  $\delta_H$  2.31 in the  $^1H$  NMR spectrum, and to  $\delta_C$  34.7 from  $\delta_C$  15.0 in the  $^{13}C$  NMR spectrum, when compared with **10**. This agrees with the resonance of a O=S-CH<sub>3</sub> unit, suggesting that in the structure of compound **11**, a O=S-CH<sub>3</sub> group replaced the S-CH<sub>3</sub> group in compound **10**. Therefore, compound **11** was assigned as (E,E)-N-cinnamoyl-2-[3-(methylsulfoxide)propenoylamino]-pyrrolidine, and has been named aglamide B.

Compound 12 was obtained as an amorphous powder,  $[\alpha]^{22}_D$  0 (c 0.1, MeOH). Its HRESIMS exhibited a sodiated molecular ion peak at m/z 323.1732, consistent with a molecular formula of  $C_{18}H_{24}N_2O_2Na$  (calcd 323.1729), and the absence of sulfur from the molecule. When compared to the  $^1H$  NMR spectrum of aglamide A (10), compound 12 showed very similar data so far as  $^1H$  NMR resonances of the cinnamic acid and the pyrrolidine moieties were concerned. However, signals for two methyl doublets were

observed at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  0.96 (3H, d, J=6.0 Hz, H-4) and 0.88 (3H, J=6.0 Hz, H-5) instead of the singlet signal for a S-CH<sub>3</sub> group in **12**. On comparing the remaining <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, compound **12** was assigned as (E,E)-N-cinnamoyl-2-(3-methylbutanoylamino)-pyrrolidine, and has been named aglamide C.

Compound **13** was obtained as an amorphous powder,  $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$  0 (c 0.1, EtOH). Its HRESIMS exhibited a sodiated molecular ion peak at m/z 254.1151, consistent with a molecular formula of  $C_{14}H_{17}NO_2Na$  (calcd 254.1151). The  $^1H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR data of the cinnamic acid and the pyrrolidine units were very similar to the corresponding data of aglamide C (**12**), but only a methoxy group was affixed to C-2, instead of a more complex amide substituent. Therefore, compound **13** was assigned as (E)-N-cinnamoyl-2-methoxy-pyrrolidine, and has been named aglamide D.

In the present study, the stereochemistry at C-13 of 19,20-dehydroedulisone A (4) could be determined as 13R by comparison of its <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data with those of edulisones A and B, which were previously reported based on X-ray crystallography and their hydrolysis products.<sup>23</sup> However, the stereochemistry at C-13 in the cyclopenta[bc]benzopyrans (5–9) remains uncertain because the determination of the configuration of the 2-aminopyrrolidine moiety of these compounds is challenging due to the free rotation of their respective bisamide side chain. Even though certain NOESY correlations have been suggested as being useful to determine the configuration at C-13 based on Dreiding models, 6 there were insignificant NOESY correlations evident to determine the stereochemistry at C-13 in aglaxiflorin A, which is the only Aglaia cyclopenta[bc]benzopyran so far elucidated structurally by X-ray crystallography. 13 While flavaglines (1-7) were isolated from the bark of A. edulis, amides (10-13) were isolated from the leaves and/or twigs of this plant. Among the new bisamides, aglamide A (10) and aglamide B (11) were identified as sulfur-containing compounds, and aglamide B (11) represents the first sufoxide-containing compound from the genus Aglaia. All four new amides (10–13) were isolated as racemates in the present study. Even though many bisamides are known reported from the genus Aglaia<sup>3,29–32,33–35</sup> only a few sulfurcontaining bisamides had been reported from A. edulis and A. leptantha. 33,34 Sulfurcontaining bisamides may represent a chemotaxonomic characteristic of certain species in the genus Aglaia.

As summarized in Table 3, the cytotoxic activities of the 16 compounds isolated in the present investigation were evaluated against a small panel of human cancer cell lines. Among these isolates, three cyclopenta[b]benzofurans, compounds 1–3, were found to be cytotoxic against the tested cell lines. Aglaroxin A (1) and aglaroxin A 1-O-acetate (2) showed a more potent response for three cancer cell lines in the tumor panel (Lu1, LNCaP, MCF-7 cells), as compared to the non-tumorigenic HUVEC cell line. However, consistent with earlier observations, \(^1\cdot 2\cdot 11\cdot 12\) two structurally related groups of constituents isolated from A. edulis, the benzo[b]oxepine (4) and cyclopenta[bc]benzopyrans (5–9), did not show any significant cytotoxic activity against the cancer cell panel, showing that the replacement of the furan ring of cyclopenta[b]benzofuran derivatives by a pyran ring or an oxepine ring lead to the total loss of such activity.

Since aglaroxin A 1-*O*-acetate (2) was the most active compound of all isolates and isolated in a large quantity, this compound was selected for follow-up evaluation in an in vivo P388 lymphocytic leukemia test system, a stable and reliable model for the preliminary evaluation of the antitumor activity of natural products, administered by intraperitoneal injection according to a previously published protocol.<sup>17</sup> However, this compound was inactive in this model [% T/C (LCK) 110 at 4.5 mg/kg/inj., ip].

# **Experimental Section**

### **General Procedures**

Optical rotations were measured using a Perkin-Elmer 241 automatic polarimeter. UV spectra were obtained with a Perkin Elmer UV/Vis spectrometer lambda 10. IR spectra were run on an ATI Mattson Genesis Series FT-IR spectrophotometer. NMR spectroscopic data were recorded at room temperature on Bruker Avance DPX-300 and DRX-400 spectrometers with tetramethylsilane (TMS) as internal standard. Electrospray ionization (ESI) mass spectrometric analyses were performed with a 3-Tesla Finnigan FTMS-2000 Fourier Transform mass spectrometer, and electron impact (EI) mass spectra were obtained with a Kratos MS-25 mass spectrometer, using a 70 eV ionization source. A SunFire PrepC<sub>18</sub>OBD column (5  $\mu$ m, 150×19 mm i.d., Waters, Milford, MA) and a SunFire PrepC<sub>18</sub> guard column (5  $\mu$ m, 10×19 mm i.d., Waters) were used for preparative HPLC, along with two Waters 515 HPLC pumps and a Waters 2487 dual  $\lambda$  absorbance detector. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on precoated 250  $\mu$ m thickness Partisil K6F (Whatman, Clifton, NJ) glass plates, while preparative TLC was conducted on precoated 20×20 cm, 500  $\mu$ m Partisil K6F (Whatman) glass plates. All solvents used for chromatographic separations were purchased from Fisher Scientific (Fair Lawn, NJ).

#### **Plant Material**

The leaves, twigs and bark of *A. edulis* (Roxb.) Wall, were collected separately in October, 2001 from Senaru village, Bayan District, West Lombok Island, Indonesia. The plant was identified by S.R. and J.J.A. Voucher specimens have been deposited at the Herbarium Bogoriense, Research Center for Biology, Indonesian Institute of Science, Bogor, Indonesia (collection number SR-022) and at the University of Illinois Pharmacognosy Field Station [accession numbers A5240 (leaves), A5241 (twigs), and A5242 (bark)].

### **Extraction and Isolation**

The milled bark (723 g) of A edulis was percolated overnight with 90% methanol (3  $\times$  3L), followed by solvent draining. The extract was combined and concentrated in vacuo at < 40 °C. The concentrated extract was suspended in 90% MeOH and then defatted with an equal volume of hexanes saturated with 90% MeOH. The aqueous methanol extract was concentrated and suspended in H<sub>2</sub>O and partitioned again with chloroform to give a chloroform-soluble residue. The combined chloroform extract from these partitions was washed with 1% NaCl, then evaporated to dryness. <sup>36</sup> This extract of A. edulis exhibited potent cytotoxic activity against the small human cancer cell panel used (ED<sub>50</sub> range 0.2–0.6 μg/mL). Accordingly, the chloroform-soluble extract was chromatographed using a glass column  $(5.0 \times 40 \text{ cm})$  packed with a slurry of silica gel (200 g, 230-400 mesh). The column was then eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-acetone (100:0  $\rightarrow$  1:1, gradient mixtures of increasing polarity), and washed with MeOH. Thirteen fractions (A5242-F001 – A5242-F013) were collected and tested for cytotoxic activity against the LNCaP cell line. Fraction A5242-F010 was subjected to preparative HPLC with isocratic elution by MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (4:1), (4 mL/min), leading the isolation of aglaroxin A (1, 2.1 mg,  $t_R$  25.4 min, 0.00029%). The most active fractions, A5242-F006 (80 mg) and A5242-F007 (92.5 mg), were combined and subjected to preparative HPLC by gradient elution with MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O mixtures ( $60:40 \rightarrow 85:15, 4 \text{ mL/}$ min), leading the isolation of aglaroxin A 1-O-acetate (2, 48.2 mg,  $t_R$  32.3 min, 0.0067%), 3'-methoxyaglaroxin A 1-O-acetate (3, 3.3 mg,  $t_R$  24.8 min, 0.00046%) and isoedulirin A (8, 5.0 mg,  $t_R$  16.8 min, 0.00069%). Fraction A5242-F009 was subjected to preparative HPLC by isocratic elution by MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (73:27), (4 mL/min), resulting in the purification of 19,20-dehydroedulisone A (4, 6.3 mg,  $t_{\rm R}$  17.6 min, 0.00087%). Fraction A5242-F008 was subjected to preparative HPLC with isocratic elution by MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (75:25), (4 mL/min), leading to the isolation of edulirin A (5, 6.4 mg,  $t_R$  27.1 min, 0.00089%), edulirin A 10-O-

acetate (**6**, 17.7 mg,  $t_R$  34.6 min, 0.0025%), 19,20-dehydroedulirin A (**7**, 4.1 mg,  $t_R$  35.3 min, 0.00057%), and isoedulirin B (**9**, 6.7 mg,  $t_R$  32.6 min, 0.00093%).

The milled leaves (800 g) of A. *edulis* were extracted, partitioned, and tested against several cancer cell lines in the same manner as described for the bark. The chloroform-soluble extract of the leaves of A. *edulis* (A5240), which exhibited weak cytotoxicity against the panel of human cancer cell lines used (ED50 range 2.1– $6.7 \mu g/mL$ ), was chromatographed using a glass column ( $10 \times 40 \text{ cm}$ ) packed with a slurry of silica gel (450 g, 230–400 mesh). The column was then eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-acetone ( $100:0 \rightarrow 1:1$ , gradient mixtures of increasing polarity), and washed with MeOH. Ten fractions (A5240-F001 – A5240-F010) were collected and tested for cytotoxic activity against the LNCaP cell line. Aglamide A (10, 573 mg, 0.058%) precipitated from fraction A5240-F002 as a white amorphous powder. The supernatant of A5240-F005 was chromatographed over Diaion HP-20 gel, using 90% MeOH in H<sub>2</sub>O, resulting in the purification of aglamide B (11, 12 mg, 0.0012%) and aglamide D (13, 5.1 mg, 0.000515%).

The milled twigs (994 g) of *A. edulis* were also extracted, partitioned, and evaluated for cytotoxicity in the same manner as described for the bark. This chloroform-soluble extract of the twigs of A. *edulis* (A5241), with weak cytotoxic activity against the human cancer cell panel used (ED $_{50}$  range 6.8- >20 µg/mL), was chromatographed using a glass column (10 × 40 cm) packed with a slurry of silica gel (450 g, 230–400 mesh). The column was then eluted with CHCl $_{3}$ -acetone (100:0  $\rightarrow$  1:1, gradient mixtures of increasing polarity), and washed with MeOH. Nine fractions (A5241-F001 – A5241-F009) were collected and tested for cytotoxic activity against the LNCaP cell line. Aglamide C (12, 612.5 mg, 0.062%) precipitated from fraction A5241-F005 as a white amorphous powder.

**Aglaroxin A 1-O-acetate (2)**—A white amorphous powder,  $[α]^{22}_D$  –69 (c 0.1, EtOH); UV (EtOH)  $λ_{max}$  (log ε) 205 (4.84), 297 (3.73) nm; CD (EtOH) nm  $Δε_{221}$ –8.5; IR (film)  $ν_{max}$  3423, 2924, 1558, 1456 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 7.08 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-2', H-6'), 7.06 - 7.00 (3H, m, H-3", H-4", H-5"), 6.90 (2H, brd, J = 7.2 Hz, H-2", H-6"), 6.63 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-3', H-5'), 6.28 (1H, s, H-5), 6.00 (1H, d, J = 5.3 Hz, H-1), 5.87, 5.86 (each 1H, s, OCH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.62 (1H, d, J = 13.6 Hz, H-3), 4.19 (1H, dd, J = 13.6, 5.3 Hz, H-2), 3.96 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>-8), 3.67 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>-4'), 3.32 (3H, s, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.85 (3H, s, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 1.90 (3H, s, COCH<sub>3</sub>);  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 169.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 167.5 (C, CON), 158.6 (C, C-4'), 154.5 (C, C-4a), 152.0 (C, C-6), 140.4 (C, C-8), 137.5 (C, C-1"), 129.4 (C, C-7), 128.8 (CH, C-2', C-6'), 127.7 (C, C-1'), 127.6 (CH, C-2", C-6"), 127.2 (CH, C-3", C-5"), 126.2 (CH, C-4"), 112.7 (CH, C-3', C-5'), 109.0 (C, C-8a), 101.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>O), 101.0 (C, C-3a), 93.3 (C, C-8b), 87.5 (CH, C-5), 77.6 (CH, C-1), 59.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-8), 56.4 (CH, C-3), 55.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-4'), 47.6 (CH, C-2), 37.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 35.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>CO); HRESIMS m/z 584.1875 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>9</sub>Na, 584.1891).

**3'-Methoxyaglaroxin A 1-***O***-acetate (3)—**A white amorphous power,  $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$  –132 (c 0.2, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 208 (4.52), 284 (3.56) nm; CD (MeOH) nm  $\Delta\epsilon$  224–15.8; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3422, 1742, 1637, 1517, 1455, 1257, 1057 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  7.07 - 7.00 (3H, m, H-3", H-4", H-5"), 6.89 (2H, d, J = 6.9 Hz, H-2", H-6"), 6.84 (1H, dd, J = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, H-6'), 6.67 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-5'), 6.56 (1H, J = 1.8 Hz, H-2'), 6.30 (1H, s, H-5), 6.03 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz, H-1), 5.89 (2H, s, OC $H_2$ O), 4.59 (1H, d, J = 13.6 Hz, H-3), 4.16 (1H, dd, J = 13.6 Hz, J = 5.5 Hz, H-2), 4.00 (3H, s, OC $H_3$ -8), 3.78 (3H, s, OC $H_3$ -4'), 3.61 (3H, s, OC $H_3$ -3'), 3.31 (3H, s, NC $H_3$ ), 2.86 (3H, s, NC $H_3$ ), 1.93 (3H, s, COC $H_3$ );  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$  169.8 (C, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 167.5 (C, CON), 154.4 (C, C-4a), 152.0 (C, C-6), 148.1 (C, C-4'), 147.9 (C, C-3'), 140.4 (C, C-8), 137.5 (C, C-1"), 129.5 (C, C-7), 127.8 (CH, C-3", C-5"), 127.6 (CH, C-2", C-6"), 127.6 (C, C-1'), 126.4 (CH,

C-4"), 120.0 (CH, C-6'), 111.8 (CH, C-2'), 109.8 (CH, C-5'), 109.2 (C, C-8a), 101.3 (C, C-3a), 101.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>O), 93.3 (C, C-8b), 87.5 (CH, C-5), 77.6 (CH, C-1), 59.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-8), 56.3 (CH, C-3), 55.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-3'), 55.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-4'), 47.4 (CH, C-2), 37.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 35.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, NCH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>3</sub>CO); HRESIMS m/z 614.1999 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>10</sub>Na, 614.1997).

**19,20-Dehydroedulisone A (4)**—An amorphous powder;  $[\alpha]^{22}$ D +95 (c 0.2, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 208 (4.88), 278 (4.09) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3343, 2956, 1758, 1673, 1471, 1256, 1105 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz)  $\delta$  7.50 (2H, d, J = 6.9 Hz, H-2", H-6"), 7.33 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-2', H-6'), 7.23 (3H, m, H-3'', H-4'', H-5''), 6.77 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-2', H-6')H-3', H-5'), 6.70 (1H, s, H-9), 6.03, 6.00 (each 1H, s, OCH<sub>2</sub>O), 5.45 (1H, s, H-19), 5.41 (1H, d, J = 5.8 Hz, H-13), 5.20 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-3), 4.84 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, H-4), 3.82 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>-6), 3.75 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>-4'), 3.44-3.32 (2H, m, H-16), 3.14 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>-10), 2.15 (3H, s, H-21), 1.94 (1H, m, H-14a), 1.93 (3H, s, H-22), 1.66 (1H, m, H-14b); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 194.6 (C, C-5), 172.0 (C, C-10), 168.9 (C, C-11), 167.7 (C, C-18), 161.5 (C, C-4'), 155.7 (C, C-1a), 154.4 (C, C-8), 153.5 (C, C-20), 142.4 (C, C-6), 141.0 (C, C-1"), 134.6 (C, C-7), 131.1 (CH, C-2", C-3"), 130.7 (CH, C-2', C-6'), 129.2 (CH, C-3", C-5"), 128.7 (CH, C-4"), 128.3 (C, C-1'), 119.1 (CH, C-19), 118.9 (C, C-5a), 114.7 (CH, C-3', C-5'), 103.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, OCH<sub>2</sub>O), 98.8 (CH, C-9), 92.1 (C, C-2), 65.3 (CH, C-4), 63.4 (CH, C-13), 61.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-6), 55.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-4'), 52.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-10), 51.9 (CH, C-3), 47.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-16), 34.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-14), 27.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-22), 22.3 (C, C-15), 20.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-21); HRESIMS m/z 693.2421 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub>Na, 693.2418).

**Edulirin A (5)**—An amorphous powder;  $[\alpha]^{22}_D$  –148 (c 0.2, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 213 (4.61), 269 (3.27), 297 (3.52) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3343, 2956, 1758, 1673, 1471, 1256, 1105 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, see Table 1; HRESIMS m/z 667.2608 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for  $C_{36}H_{40}N_2O_9Na$ , 667.2626).

**Edulirin A 10-O-acetate (6)**—An amorphous powder;  $[\alpha]^{22}_D$  –71 (c 0.1, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log ε) 214 (4.59), 268 (3.31), 297 (3.55); nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3473, 2956, 1749, 1632, 1250, 1517 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, see Table 1; HRESIMS m/z 709.2716 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for  $C_{37}H_{40}N_2O_{10}Na$ , 709.2732).

**19,20-Dehydroedulirin A (7)**—An amorphous powder;  $[\alpha]^{22}_D$  –46 (c 0.1, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log  $\epsilon$ ) 216 (4.57), 269 (3.39), 297 (3.53) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3446, 1635, 1517, 1474, 1251, 1059 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, see Table 1; HRESIMS m/z 665.2452 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for  $C_{36}H_{38}N_2O_9Na$ , 665.2469).

**Isoedulirin A (8)**—Colorless gum;  $[α]^{22}_D$  +16 (c 0.2, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $λ_{max}$  (log ε) 203 (4.21), 268 (2.97), 295 (3.07) nm; IR (film)  $ν_{max}$  3483, 2956, 1630, 1513, 1463, 1251, 1176, 1130, 895 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, see Table 2; HRESIMS m/z 667.2608 [M +Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for  $C_{36}H_{40}N_2O_9Na$ , 667.2626).

**Isoedulirin B (9)**—An amorphous powder,  $[α]^{22}_D$  +28 (c 0.2, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $λ_{max}$  (log ε) 211 (4.60), 281 (3.58), 294 (3.59) nm; IR (film)  $ν_{max}$  2956, 1627, 1514, 1477, 1129, 1060 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, see Table 2; HRESIMS m/z 667.2608 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for  $C_{36}H_{40}N_2O_9Na$ , 667.2626).

**Aglamide A (10)**—An amorphous powder, [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> 0 (c 0.1, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ<sub>max</sub> (log ε) 219 (4.32), 273 (4.60) nm; IR (film) ν<sub>max</sub> 3264, 2978, 1652, 1578, 1418, 1191 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 7.77 (1H, d, J = 14.6 Hz, H-3), 7.68 (1H, d, J = 15.4 Hz, H-3"), 7.53 (2H, m, H-5", H-9"), 7.36 (3H, m, H-6", H-7", H-8"), 6.97 (1H, d, J = 15.4

Hz, H-2"), 6.19 (1H, brt, J = 7.2 Hz, H-2'), 5.78 (1H, d, J = 14.6 Hz, H-2), 3.60 (1H, m, H-5'a), 3.43 (1H, m, H-5'b), 2.31 (3H, s, SCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.20 (1H, m, H-3'a), 2.00 (1H, m, H-3'b), 1.96 (2H, m, H-4');  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 166.5 (C, C-1"), 163.9 (C, C-1), 144.1 (CH, C-3), 143.5 (CH, C-3"), 135.1 (C, C-4"), 130.4 (CH, C-7"), 129.2 (CH, C-6", C-8"), 128.7 (CH, C-5", C-9"), 118.4 (CH, C-2'), 116.0 (CH, C-2), 63.5 (CH, C-2'), 46.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-5'), 34.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-3'), 22.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-4'), 15.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, SCH<sub>3</sub>); HREIMS m/z 316.1225 [M]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S, 316.1245).

**Aglamide B (11)**—An amorphous powder, [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> 0 (c 0.1, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ<sub>max</sub> (log ε) 206 (4.49), 275 (4.43) nm; IR (film) v<sub>max</sub> 3384, 1647, 1418 cm<sup>-l; 1</sup>H NMR (pyridine-d<sub>5</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 8.14 (1H, d, J = 14.5 Hz, H-3), 8.06 (1H, d, J = 15.5 Hz, H-3"), 7.74 (2H, m, H-5", 9"), 7.59 (1H, d, J = 15.5 Hz, H-2"), 7.27 (3H, m, H-6", H-7", H-8"), 7.16 (1H, d, J = 14.5 Hz, H-2), 6.52 (1H, brt, J = 6.9 Hz, H-2'), 3.70 (1H, m, H-5'a), 3.57 (1H, m, H-5'b), 2.45 (3H, s, O=SCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.12 (1H, m, H-3'a), 1.97 (1H, m, H-3'b), 1.80 (1H, m, H-4'a), 1.65 (1H, m, H-4'b); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (pyridine-d<sub>5</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 165.5 (C, C-1"), 162.6 (C, C-1), 149.5 (CH, C-3), 142.1 (CH, C-3"), 136.2 (C, C-4"), 130.0 (CH, C-7"), 129.4 (CH, C-6", C-8"), 128.6 (CH, C-5", C-9'), 128.3 (CH, C-2), 120.5 (CH, C-2"), 63.7 (CH, C-2'), 46.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-5'), 39.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-3'), 34.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, O=SCH<sub>3</sub>), 22.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-4'); HRESIMS m/z 355.1079 [M+Na]+ (calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>SNa, 355.1045).

**Aglamide C (12)**—An amorphous powder,  $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$  0 (c 0.1, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log ε) 205 (4.16), 219 (4.21), 283 (4.33) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3278, 3059, 2957, 2869, 1648, 1600, 1533, 1416, 1197, 988 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 7.70 (1H, d, J = 15.4 Hz, H-3"), 7.55 (2H, m, H-5", H-9"), 7.36 (3H, m, H-6", H-7", H-8"), 6.97 (1H, d, J = 15.4 Hz, H-2"), 6.14 (1H, brt, J = 7.6 Hz, H-2'), 3.55 (1H, m, H-5'a), 3.38 (1H, m, H-5'b), 2.24 - 2.11 (4H, m, H-2, H-3, H-3'a), 1.96 (1H, m, H-3'b), 1.45 (2H, m, H-4'), 0.96 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz, H-4), 0.88 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz, H-5);  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 171.80 (C, C-1), 165.8 (C, C-1"), 143.0 (CH, C-3"), 134.7 (C, C-4"), 130.0 (CH, C-7"), 128.9 (CH, C-6", C-8"), 128.3 (CH, C-5", C-9"), 117.9 (CH, C-2"), 62.8 (CH, C-2'), 46.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-5'), 45.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-2), 34.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-3'), 26.0 (CH, C-3), 22.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-4), 22.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-5), 21.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-4'); HRESIMS m/z 323.1732 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na, 323.1729).

**Aglamide D (13)**—An amorphous powder, [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> 0 (c 0.1, EtOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  (log ε) 206 (4.20), 218 (4.22), 280 (4.35) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3422, 2937, 1654, 1612, 1450, 1410, 1258, 1176, 1083 cm<sup>-1; 1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ 7.62 (2H, m, H-5', H-9'), 7.49 (1H, d, J = 15.6 Hz, H-3'), 7.39 (3H, m, H-6', H-7', H-8'), 6.87 (1H, d, J = 15.5 Hz, H-2'), 5.34 (1H, brs, H-2), 3.50 (1H, m, H-5'a), 3.29 (1H, m, H-5'b), 3.26 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>-2), 2.04 (1H, m, H-3'a), 1.94 (1H, m, H-4'a), 1.83 (2H, m, H-3'b, 4'b); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 166.6 (C, C-1'), 142.4 (CH, C-3'), 135.2 (C, C-4'), 131.0 (CH, C-7'), 129.9 (CH, C-6', C-8'), 128.7 (CH, C-5', C-9'), 119.6 (CH, C-2'), 88.8 (CH, C-2), 54.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>, OCH<sub>3</sub>-2), 46.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-5), 31.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-3), 21.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-4); HRESIMS m/z 254.1151 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> (calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Na, 254.1151).

#### **Biological Evaluation**

Extracts and solvent partitions of the bark, leaves, and twigs of *A. edulis* were tested against the Lu1 (human lung carcinoma), LNCaP (hormone-dependent human prostate carcinoma), and HUVEC (human umbilical vein endothelial cells) cell lines, using established protocols. 37·38 Chromatographic fractions were monitered using the LNCaP cell line and all isolates were evaluated with the Lu1, LNCaP, and MCF-7 (human breast carcinoma), and HUVEC cell lines Aglaroxin 1-*O*-acetate (2) was tested in an in vivo P388 lymphocytic leukemia model, by intraperitoneal injection [4.5 mg/kg/inj., ip], according to a previously published protocol.<sup>17</sup>

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**1**  $R_1 = OH R_2 = H$ 

**2**  $R_1 = OAc R_2 = H$ 

**3**  $R_1 = OAc R_2 = OCH_3$ 

4

 $R_1$   $R_2$ 

5 OH

6 OAc

7 OH

8 H-3 $\alpha$ , H-4 $\beta$ 

**9** H-3β, H-4α

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Table 1

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR Chemical Shifts of Compounds **4–7** in CD<sub>3</sub>OD<sup>a</sup>

	$\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ , mult.	$\delta_{\rm H} (J  { m in}  { m Hz})$	$\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ , multi.	$\delta_{\rm H}$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ , mult.	$\delta_{\rm H} (J  { m in}  { m Hz})$
la	148.9, qC		148.5, qC		148.8, qC	
2	89.7, qC		89.0, qC		89.6, qC	
3	58.7, CH	4.37, d (9.3)	58.1, CH	4.50, d (9.6)	58.8, CH	4.32, d (9.5)
4	63.6, CH	4.22, d (9.3)	63.8, CH	4.25, d (9.6)	63.2, CH	4.25, d (9.5)
S	83.5, qC		82.9, qC		83.5, qC	
5a	109.9, qC		109.3, qC		109.9, qC	
9	142.4, qC		142.3, qC		142.5, qC	
7	132.1, qC		131.7, qC		131.6, qC	
~	151.0, qC		151.3, qC		151.0, qC	
6	93.6, CH	6.07, s	93.6, CH	6.21, s	93.6, CH	6.08, s
10	81.0, CH	4.56, s	81.2, CH	5.88, s	81.2, CH	4.53, s
11	172.1, qC		171.0, qC		167.8, qC	
13	64.7, CH	6.59, d (6.0)	64.8, CH	7.02, m	64.4, CH	6.61, d (5.8)
41	35.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	2.18, 1.82, m	$35.1, CH_2$	2.11, 1.82, m	35.2, CH <sub>2</sub>	2.11, 1.86 m
15	$21.9, CH_2$	1.89, m	$21.9, CH_2$	1.94, m	$22.1,\mathrm{CH}_2$	1.93, m
16	47.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.45, 3.30, m	47.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.50, 3.32, m	47.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.44, 3.28, m
18	174.1, qC		173.7, qC		172.2, qC	
19	$46.0, \mathrm{CH}_2$	1.86, m 1.71	$46.1,\mathrm{CH}_2$	1.90, 1.82, m	119.4, CH	5.26, s
20	27.2, CH	1.96, m	27.2, CH	1.97, m	152.9, qC	
21	$23.1$ , $CH_3$	0.85, d (6.4)	$23.2, CH_3$	0.92, d (6.5)	27.4, CH <sub>3</sub>	2.19, s
22	22.4, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.88, d (6.6)	22.4, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.88, d (6.5)	$20.2, CH_3$	1.84, s
1,	131.5, qC		130.3, qC		132.1, qC	
2,'6′	131.4, CH	7.37, d (8.9)	130.8, CH	6.62, d (8.9)	131.4, CH	7.38, d (8.9)
3',5'	113.3, CH	6.57, d (8.9)	113.8, CH	7.02, d (8.9)	113.2, CH	6.56, d (8.9)
,4	159.9, qC		160.3, qC		159.8, qC	
1,,	143.2, qC		142.3, qC		142.8, qC	
2".6"	131.6, CH	7.17-7.12, m	131.1, CH	7.18-7.04, m	131.6, CH	7.08, m

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Position		S		9		7
	$\delta_{\rm C}$ , mult.	$\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ , mult. $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(J \ln \mathrm{Hz}\right)$ $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ , multi. $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(J \ln \mathrm{Hz}\right)$	$\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ multi.	$\delta_{\mathrm{H}} \left( J \text{ in Hz} \right)$	$\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ , mult.	$\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ , mult. $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}$ (J in Hz)
3",5"	128.8, CH	128.8, CH 7.00-6.92, m	129.2, CH	129.2, CH 7.18-7.04, m	128.7, CH	6.89, ш
,4	127.0, CH	7.00-6.92, m	127.4, CH	7.18-7.04, m	126.8, CH	6.89, m
MeO-6	$60.8, \mathrm{CH}_3$	4.03, s	$60.9, \mathrm{CH}_3$	4.03, s	$60.8, \mathrm{CH}_3$	4.00, s
MeO-10						
OAc			171.9, qC			
OAc			21.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	2.43, s		
MeO-4'	55.4, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.65, s	55.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.68, s	55.4, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.64, s
$OCH_2O$	$102.3, CH_2$	5.86, s	102.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	5.95, s	$102.3, CH_2$	5.86, s
		5.83, s		5.92, s		5.84, s

<sup>a1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were acquired at 400 and 100 MHz, respectively; TMS was used as internal standard; assignments are based on <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY, DEPT, HMQC, HMBC, and NOESY spectra.

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 $\label{eq:Table 2} \begin{tabular}{l} \begin{tabu$ 

Position		8		9
	$\delta_{\rm C}$ , mult.	δ <sub>H</sub> (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\rm C}$ , mult.	δ <sub>H</sub> (J in Hz)
1a	148.8, qC		147.4, qC	
2	87.8, qC		87.4, qC	
3	62.3, CH	4.40, d (7.0)	57.7, CH	4.02, d(10.5)
4	62.2, CH	4.22, d (7.0)	58.2, CH	4.71, d (10.5)
5	81.9, qC		84.1, qC	
5a	116.8, qC		111.2, qC	
6	140.1, qC		141.0, qC	
7	132.2, qC		132.2, qC	
8	150.0, qC		150.9, qC	
9	94.2, CH	6.27, s	95.2, CH	6.46, s
10	83.4, CH	4.20, s	81.7, CH	4.29, s
11	171.6, qC		171.3, qC	
13	64.5, CH	5.05, d (5.6)	64.2, CH	5.49, d (5.6)
14	34.9, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.34, 1.23, m	34.2, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.50, m
15	21.5, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.68, m	21.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.50, m
16	46.8, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.43, 3.13, m	46.6, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.27, 2.76, m
18	173.9, qC		175.0, qC	
19	45.9, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.68, 1.42, m	45.9, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.94, 1.83, m
20	27.1, CH	1.86, m	27.2, CH	2.03, m
21	22.9, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.83, d (6.7)	23.1, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.91, d(6.5)
22	22.2, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.77, d (6.6)	22.6, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.90, d (6.5)
1′	131.8, qC		130.2, qC	
2',6'	129.7, CH	8.08, d (8.9)	129.5, CH	7.83, d (9.0)
3',5'	114.2, CH	7.02, d (8.9)	113.7, CH	6.96, d (9.0)
4′	160.8, qC		160.7, qC	
1"	141.8, qC		138.9, qC	
2",6"	131.8, CH	7.51, d(7.5)	130.1, CH	7.09, m
3",5"	129.1, CH	7.30, m	129.1, CH	7.26, m
4"	127.5, CH	7.22, m	128.2, CH	7.26, m
MeO-6	61.1, CH <sub>3</sub>	4.04, s	59.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.07, s
MeO-4'	55.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.86, s	55.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.82, s
OCH <sub>2</sub> O	102.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	5.93, s	102.5, CH <sub>2</sub>	5.87, s
		5.90, s		5.85, s

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}$ 1H and  $^{13}$ C NMR spectra were acquired at 400 and 100 MHz, respectively; TMS was used as internal standard; assignments are based on  $^{1}$ H- $^{1}$ H COSY, DEPT, HMQC, HMBC, and NOESY spectra.

**Table 3**Cytotoxic Activity of Compounds Isolated from *A. edulis*<sup>a</sup>

compound	cell line <sup>b</sup>			
	Lu1	LNCaP	MCF-7	HUVEC
1	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.1
2	0.001	0.01	0.02	0.5
3	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.5

 $<sup>^{</sup>a}\text{Compounds 4-13, aglalactone, scopoletin, and 5-hydroxy-3,6,7,4'-tetramethoxy flavone were all inactive for all cell lines (ED50 > 5 ~\mu\text{g/mL}).}$ 

bResults are expressed as ED50 values ( $\mu$ g/mL). Key to cell lines used: Lu1 = human lung cancer; LNCaP = hormone-dependent human prostate cancer; MCF-7 = human breast cancer; HUVEC = human umbilical vein endothelial cells.