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# METABOLITES OF RHIZOPUS ARRHIZUS 3078

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**Abstract** Nine compounds were isolated from the methanol extract of the mycelium of *Rhizopus arrhizus* 3078. On the basis of spectral data, they were determined to be 5 ,8 -epidioxy-(20 S, 22 E, 24 R)-ergosta-6,22-diem-3 -ol (1),(9 Z)-glycerin-1-monooleate (2),4-hydroxyacetophenone (3),4-hydroxyphenylacetic acid (4),(20 S, 22 E, 24 R)-ergosta-7,22-diem-3 ,5 ,6 -triol (5),(S)-3-hydroxy-3-phenylpropionic acid (6),thymine (7), uracil (8) and adenosine (9).

**Key words** Rhizopus arrhizus; mycelium; ergosterol; 4-hydroxyphenylacetic acid; (S)-3-hydroxy-3-phenylpropionic acid

# 根霉 3078 的代谢产物的研究

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摘 要 从根霉 3078 菌丝体的甲醇提取物中分离得到 9 个化合物,通过波谱分析,鉴定为 5 ,8 -表二氧-(20S,22 E,24R)-麦角甾-6,22-二烯-3 -醇(1)、甘油醇-1-单油酸酯(2)、4-羟基苯乙酮(3)、4-羟基苯乙酸(4)、(20S,22 E,24R)-麦角甾-7,22-二烯-3 ,5 ,6 -三醇(5)、(S)-3-羟基-3-苯基丙酸(6)、胸腺嘧啶(7)、尿嘧啶(8)和腺苷(9)。

关键词 少根霉;菌丝体;麦角甾醇;4-羟基苯乙酸;(S)-3-羟基-3-苯基丙酸

# Introduction

In the process of food fermentation, the nutrition and flavor were greatly changed due to two reasons. Firstly, some proteins were converted into small peptides and amino acid by enzymes secreted by microorganism<sup>[1,2]</sup>. Secondly, the metabolites of microorganism may affect the nutrition and flavor<sup>[3]</sup>. Fermented bean curd is a traditional Chinese food produced by fermentation, which has good flavor and nutrition. In our study, we examined the metabolites of the Rhizopus arrhizus 3078, which was used in the bean curd fermentation. Based on spectral data and comparison with known compounds, nine compounds isolated were determined as 5, 8 -epidioxy-(20 S, 22 E, 24 R)-ergosta-6, 22-dien-3 -ol (1), (9 Z)-glycerin-1-monooleate (2), 4hydroxyacetophenone (3), 4-hydroxyphenylacetic acid (4) (20 S, 22 E, 24 R)-ergosta-7, 22-dien-3, 5, 6-triol (5), (S)-3-hydroxy-3-phenylpropionic acid (6),

## **Experimental**

### General

Melting points were measured on XRC-1 micromelting-point apparatus and uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer Spectrum One FT-IR spectrometer. Silica gel (200 ~ 300 mesh) for column chromatography (CC) and GF254 (30 ~ 40  $\mu m)$  for TLC were purchased from Qingdao Marine Chemical Factory ,Qingdao ,China. NMR spectra were carried out on Bruker Advance 600 spectrometer ,TMS as internal standard. Optical rotations were measured on Perkin Elmer Model 341 polarimeter.

## Microorganism and culture media

Rhizopus arrhizus 3078 was obtained from Chengdu Institute of Biology, the Chinese Academy of Sci-

thymine (7) ,uracil (8) and adenosine (9). Compound 1 exhibited some cytotoxic effect [4]. Compound 5 possessed antinociceptive activity (inhibition = 47. 6 %, 5 mg/kg) [5]. From the results, it could be estimated that the metabolites of *Rhizopus arrhizus* 3078 used in the fermentation of bean curd may have some effect on human beings.

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ences. It was maintained on potato dextrose agar slant (PDA) at 4 .

Culture medium was comprised of dextrose (20 g/L) ,yeast extract (1 g/L) ,KH $_2$ PO $_4$ (3 g/L) ,MgSO $_4$  · 7H $_2$ O (1.5 g/L) ,potato extract (200 g potato was extracted with 1 Liter boiling water for 20 min) ,and its pH was adjusted to 6.0 with NaOH (aq) .

#### **Fermentation**

The fresh mycelium grown on PDA medium at 28 for 5 d was inoculated into 500 mL flasks containing 250 mL potato dextrose medium, which were sterilized at 121 and 15 psi for 30 min. Flasks with inoculated medium were placed in rotary shaker at 28 and incubated at 180 rpm for 7 d.

#### **Extraction and isolation**

The total mycelium was filtrated and dried at 55 in oven. The dried mycelium (180 g) was extracted (1 L  $\times$  5) exhaustively with methanol at 50 (2 h each). Evaporation of the solvent from the extract in *vacuo* gave a residue (28 g). The residue was chromatographied on a silica gel column (420 g,5.5 cm  $\times$  31.0 cm) eluted gradiently by petroleum ether (bp. 60 ~ 90 )-acetone (20 1,15 1,10 1,5 1,2 L each) and CHCl<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>OH (20 1, 15 1,10 1,7 1,5 1,3 1,2 L each). Based on the TLC

monitoring, the collected fractions were combined into nine fractions (A:0.5 g;B:8.5 g;C:1.1 g;DA:1.75 g; DB:0.75 g; E:0.17 g; F:1.36 g; G:0.3 g; H:1.6 g). Fr. C was chromatographied over silica gel column (50 g, 2.6 cm × 19.0 cm) eluted with chloroform acetone (100 1,500 mL) to give 1 (25 mg). CC (column chromatography) of DB with petroleum ether (bp. 60 ~ 90 acetone (5 1,300 mL; 3 1,300 mL) gave 2 (35 mg). Compound 3 (7 mg) was obtained from DA by CC over silica gel column eluted with petroleum ether (bp. 60 ~ 90 )-acetone (10 1,200 mL). CC of E over silica gel column (30 g, 2. 5 cm  $\times$  14. 0 cm) eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>OH (15:1,800 mL) gave EA, EB and EC. Subsequent purification of EA by CC (8 g.0.8 cm × 20.0 cm) eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>OH (15 1,150 mL) afforded 4 (10 mg). EB was subjected to CC over silica gel (8 g, 0.8 cm x20.0 cm) with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>OH (10 1,220 mL) to afford 5 (5 mg) and 6 (5 mg). Further CC of EC over silica gel (15 g, 1.8 cm ×12.0 cm) eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>OH (12 1,250 mL) yield 7 (15 mg). Compound 8 (10 mg) was isolated from F by CC over silica gel C-18  $(3.6 \text{ cm} \times 20.0 \text{ cm}) \text{ with } H_2O\text{-}CH_3OH (10 1,1100)$ mL). Compound 9 (25 mg) was obtained from H by CC over silica gel column (50 g, 2.4 cm ×27.0 cm) eluted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>OH (5 1,1000 mL).

## **Identification**

5 ,8 - Epidioxy-(  $20 \, \text{S}$  ,  $22 \, \text{E}$  ,  $24 \, \text{R}$ )-ergosta-6 , 22-dien-3 -ol (1) Colorless needles (petroleum ether ,bp.  $60 \sim 90$  ),  $C_{28} \, H_{44} \, O_3$ , [ ] $_D^{20}$ -40.5 °(c = 0.1 ,CHCl $_3$ ) ,mp. 175  $\sim 177$  ;ESF-MS m/z:429[M+H] + (positive mode); IR  $_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$  cm $_{}^{-1}$ :3380 (-OH) ,2955 ,2871 ,1631 (-CH = CH) ,1457 ,1378 ,1074 ,967; H NMR(CDCl $_3$  ,600 MHz):

6.53 (1H,d,J = 8.4 Hz,H-6),6.27 (1H,d,J = 8.4 Hz,H-7),5.23 (1H,dd,J = 13.5,7.6 Hz,H-23),5.17 (1H,dd,J = 13.5,7.6 Hz,H-22),3.97 (1H,m,H-3),1.01 (3H,d,J = 6.6 Hz,H-21),0.94 (3H,d,J = 4.3 Hz,H-28),0.92 (3H,s,H-19),0.86 (3H,d,J = 4.2 Hz,H-26),0.85 (3H,s,H-18),0.83 (3H,d,J = 4.2 Hz,H-27); CNMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,150 MHz): 135.6 (C-6),135.4 (C-22),132.5 (C-23),131.0 (C-7),82.4 (C-5),79.7 (C-8),66.7 (C-3),56.4 (C-17),51.9 (C-17)

14) ,51.2 (C-9) ,44.8 (C-13) ,43.0 (C-24) ,40.0 (C-20) ,39.5 (C-12) ,37.2 (C-4) ,37.1 (C-10) ,34.9 (C-1) ,33.3 (C-25) ,30.3 (C-2) ,28.9 (C-16) ,23.6 (C-11) ,21.1 (C-21) ,20.8 (C-15) ,20.2 (C-26) ,19.9 (C-27) ,18.4 (C-19) ,17.8 (C-28) ,13.1 (C-18). The NMR data and optical rotation were in agreement with those reported for 5 ,8 -epidioxy-(20 S, 22 E, 24 R)-ergostar-6 ,22-dier-3 -ol<sup>[6]</sup>.

(9 Z)- **Gycerin** 1-monooleate (2) Colorless oil ,  $C_{21}$   $H_{40}$   $O_4$  , ESF MS m/z: 357 [M + H]  $^+$  ,379 [M + Na]  $^+$  (positive mode);  $^1$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub> ,600 MHz): 5.36 (1H, dt ,J = 12.0 ,6.1 Hz ,H+9) ,5.33 (1H, dt ,J = 12.0 ,6.1 Hz ,H+10) ,4.19 (1H, dd ,J = 11.9 ,4.2 Hz ,H+1 ) ,4.15 (1H, dd ,J = 11.9 ,4.2 Hz ,H+1 ) ,3.93 (1H, m, H+2 ) ,3.70 (1H, dd ,J = 11.4 ,3.6 Hz ,H+3 ) ,3.60 (1H, dd ,J = 11.4 ,5.9 Hz ,H+3 ) ,2.32 (2H, t, J = 6.7 Hz ,H+2) ,1.98 (4H, m, H+8,11) ,1.28 (24H) ,0.86 (3H, t, J = 6.8 Hz ,H+18);  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub> ,150 MHz): 174.6 (C-1) ,130.2 (C-9) ,129.9 (C-10) ,70.5 (C-2) ,65.4 (C-1) ,63.6 (C-3) ,34.4 ,32.1 ,29.9 ,29.7 ,29.5 ,29.4 ,29.3 ,27.4 ,25.1 ,22.9 ,14.3. The  $^{1}$ H and  $^{13}$ C NMR data were identical with those reported for (9 Z)-glycerin-1-monooleate  $^{[7]}$ .

4- **Hydroxyacetophenone** (3) Colorless needles (petroleum ether ,bp. 60 ~ 90 ),  $C_8H_8O_2$ , mp. 107 ~ 108 , ESFMS m/z: 135 [ M-H]-(negative mode);  $^1H$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,600 MHz): 7. 90 (2H, brd, J=6.6 Hz, H·3, 5), 6. 91 (2H, brd, J=6.6 Hz, H·2,6), 2. 56 (3H,s, H·8);  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,150 MHz): 198.2 (C·7),161.1 (C·4),131.3 (C·2,6),130.1 (C·1),115.6 (C·3,5), 26.5 (C·8). The  $^1H$  and  $^{13}$ C NMR data were identical with those reported for 4-hydroxyacetophenone [8].

4- Hydroxyphenylacetic acid ( 4 ) Colorless needles (CH<sub>3</sub>OH) , C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>3</sub> , mp. 148 ~ 150 , ESFMS m/z: 153[M+H] + (positive mode); H NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 600 MHz): 7.08 (2H, brd, J=8.4 Hz, H-2, 6), 6.72 (2H, brd, J=8.4 Hz, H-3, 5), 3.48 (2H, s, H-7); H-3 C NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 150 MHz): 175.1 (C-8), 156.2 (C-4), 130. 1 (C-2,6), 125.6 (C-1), 115.0 (C-3,5), 39.9 (C-7). The H and H-3 C NMR data were in agreement with those reported for 4-hydroxyphenylacetic acid [8].

(20 S, 22 E, 24 R)-**Ergosta-7**, 22-**dien-3**, 5, 6 -**triol** (5) Colorless needles (CHCl<sub>3</sub>),  $C_{28}H_{46}O_3$ , [ $]_D^{20}$ -60. 2° (c = 0.1,  $C_5H_5N$ ), mp. 250 ~ 252; ESFMS m/z:431 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> (positive mode); IR  $_{max}^{KBr}$  cm<sup>-1</sup>:3380 (-OH), 2955, 2871, 1631 (-CH = CH), 1457, 1378, 1074, 967;  $^1$ H NMR ( $C_5D_5N$ , 600 MHz): 5.72 (1H, brs, H-7), 5. 24 (1H, dd, J = 15.2, 7.2 Hz, H-22), 5.17 (1H, dd, J = 15.2, 7.2 Hz, H-23), 4.83 (1H, m, H-3), 4.30 (1H, brs, H-6), 1.50 (3H, s, H-19), 1.03 (3H, d, J = 6.7 Hz, H21) ,0.92 (3H,d, J = 6.7 Hz, H28) ,0.83 (6H,d, J = 4.9 Hz, H26, H27) ,0.63 (3H,s, H18); <sup>13</sup> C NMR (C<sub>5</sub>D<sub>5</sub>N, 150 MHz): 141.5 (C·8),136.1 (C·22), 132.0 (C·23),120.4 (C·7),76.1 (C·5),74.2 (C·6), 67.5 (C·3),56.1 (C·17),55.2 (C·14),43.7 (C·9, C·13),43.1 (C·24),41.9 (C·4),40.8 (C·20),39.8 (C·12),38.0 (C·10),33.8 (C·2),33.3 (C·25),32.6 (C·1),28.4 (C·16),23.4 (C·15),22.4 (C·11),21.3 (C·27),20.1 (C·26),19.8 (C·21),18.8 (C·19),17.8 (C·28),12.5 (C·18). The NMR data and optical ratation were identical with those reported for (20 S, 22 E, 24 R)-ergostar 7, 22-diem 3, 5, 6-triol [9].

(S)-3- Hydroxy-3-phenylpropionic acid (6) Colorless needles (CH<sub>3</sub>OH),  $C_9H_{10}O_3$ , [ ]-30. 5 ° (c = 0. 1, CH<sub>3</sub>OH), mp. 117-119 , ESFMS m/z: 189 (M + Na) + (positive mode) ,165 (M-H) (negative mode) ; IR  $_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}} \text{ cm}^{-1} : 3295 \text{ (-OH)}, 2965, 2654, 1698 \text{ (-C = O)},$ 1496,1456,765,703; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD,600 MHz): 7.38 (2H,t, J = 7.4 Hz, H-3, 5), 7.33 (2H,d, J = 7. 4 Hz, H-2, 6, 7.26 (1H, t, J = 7.4 Hz, H-4), 5.08 (1 H, dd, J = 8.8, 5.0 Hz, H-3), 2.69 (1 H, dd, J = 15.2,8.8 Hz, H-2a), 2.63 (1 H, dd, J = 15.2, 5.0 Hz, H-2b); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD ,150 MHz) :173.7 (C-1) ,144.0 (C-1),128.2 (C-2,6),127.4 (C-4),125.7 (C-3,5), 70.5 (C-3) ,43.8 (C-2). The NMR data and optical rotation were identical with those reported for (S)-3-hydroxyl-3-phenylpropionic acid<sup>[10]</sup>.

**Thymine** (7) White crystals (CH<sub>3</sub>OH), C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>, mp. > 300 ,ESFMS m/z:149 [M + Na] + ,275 [2M + Na] + (postitive mode); IR  $^{\rm KBr}_{\rm max}$  cm - 1: 3260 , 3062 , 1730 ,1679 ,1212; H NMR (DMSO-  $d_6$  ,600 MHz): 10.97 (1H,d,J = 5.5 Hz,H-1),10.56 (1H,s,H-3),7. 22 (1H,d,J = 5.5 Hz,H-6),1.71 (3H,s,-CH<sub>3</sub>);  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO-d6,150 MHz): 165.6 (C-4),152.2 (C-2),138.4 (C-6),108.3 (C-5),12.5 (CH3). The  $^{1}$ H and  $^{13}$ C NMR data were identical with those reported for thymine [11].

**Uracil** (8) White powder ( $H_2O + CH_3OH$ ),  $C_4H_4N_2O_2$ , mp. > 300 , ESFMS m/z: 135 [M + Na] +; IR  $^{\text{KBr}}_{\text{max}}$  cm - 1: 3410 , 3110 , 1768 , 1738 , 1676 , 1650 , 1450 , 1420 , 1235;  $^{1}H$  NMR (DMSO-  $d_6$  , 600 MHz): 11.12 (1H,s,H-1) ,10.85 (1H,s,H-3) ,7.48 (1H,d,J=7.7 Hz,H-6) ,5.75 (1H,d,J=7.7 Hz,H-5);  $^{13}C$  NMR (DMSO-  $d_6$  ,150 MHz): 165.0 (C-4) , 152.2 (C-2) ,142.8 (C-6) ,100.9 (C-5) . The  $^{1}H$  and  $^{13}C$  NMR data were identical with those reported for uracil  $^{[12]}$ .

1455 ,1422 ,1382 ,1338 ,1130 ; ESFMS m/z :268 [M + H] + ,557 (2M + Na) + (positive mode) ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>5</sub>D<sub>5</sub>N ,600 MHz) : 8.71 (1H,s,H8) ,8.60 (1H,s,H2) ,8.32 (2H,s,NH<sub>2</sub>) ,6.70 (1H,d,J = 6.0 Hz,H 1) ,5.49 (1H,t,J = 4.8 Hz,H2) ,5.05 (1H,dd,J = 4.8 ,3.0 Hz,H3) ,4.74 (1H,m,H4) ,4.30 (1H,dd,J = 12.3 ,2.4 Hz,H5 a) ,4.13 (1H,dd,J = 12.3 ,2.4 Hz,H5 b) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (C<sub>5</sub>D<sub>5</sub>N ,150 MHz) : 157.7 (C<sup>6</sup> 6) ,153.3 (C<sup>2</sup>2) ,149.9 (C<sup>4</sup>4) ,140.5 (C<sup>8</sup>8) ,121.5 (C<sup>6</sup>5) ,90.8 (C<sup>1</sup>1) ,87.8 (C<sup>4</sup>4) ,75.5 (C<sup>3</sup>3) ,72.4 (C<sup>2</sup>2) ,63.0 (C<sup>5</sup>5) The NMR data and optical rotation were identical with those reported for adenosine [13].

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