

SYNTHESIS AND BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY OF 3-ACETOXY-18 β -H-GLYCYRRETIC ACID AMIDES WITH AROMATIC AMINES

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Modification of biologically active substances isolated from plants has become one of the main areas of organic and bioorganic chemistry in terms of the synthesis of new biologically active substances. In this regard, a special place is occupied by the synthesis of new biologically active substances based on glycyrrhizic acid (GA) and its aglycone-glycyrrhetic acid (GLA), which belongs to the class of triperpenoid biologically active substances.

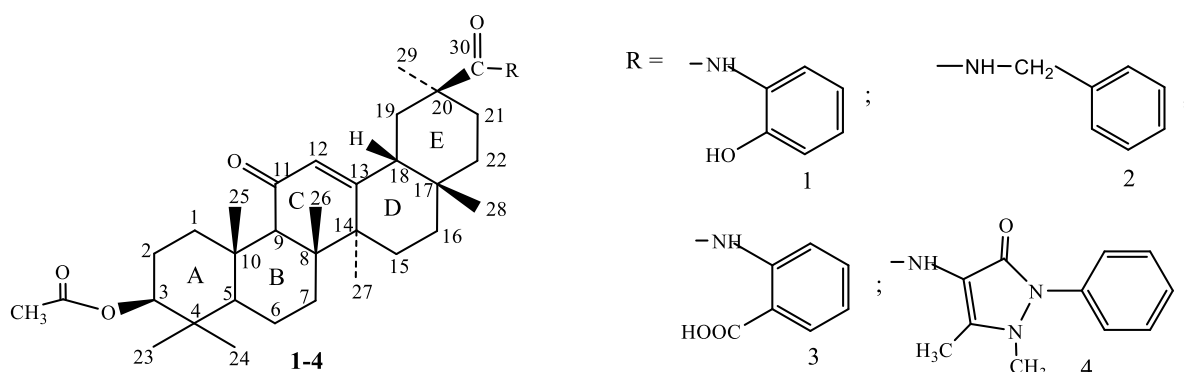
In recent years, there has been an increase in interest in the synthesis of new biologically active substances based on GA and GLA, the main reason for which can be explained by the fact that, firstly, the wide distribution of the licorice plant "*Glycyrriza glabra L.*" the high content of the main ingredient glycyrrhizin (up to 25-27%), and secondly, the fact that the substance "glycyrrhizin" has a wide spectrum of biological effects.

Based on GA and GLA, a number of substances have been synthesized that have high biological activity against a number of inflammations, viruses, otitis media and ulcers of the gastrointestinal tract [1-4], some of them are used as drugs in medical practice [5-8].

Considering that organizing the rational use of local raw materials and the synthesis of new medicines based on them is one of the urgent tasks of our time, it is necessary to isolate its main biologically active component glycyrrhizin from *Glycyrriza glabra L.*, widely cultivated in Russia. Territory of our Republic and on its basis we set ourselves the goal of synthesizing new biologically active substances.

Based on this goal, we synthesized a series of amides of 3-acetoxglycyrrhetic acid.





During the synthesis, glycyrrhizic acid, glycyrrhetic acid, 3-acetoxylglycyrrhetic acid and its acid chloride were obtained according to methods [11-13]. The synthesis of amides was carried out in an equimolar solution of a mixture of 3-acetoxylglycyrrhetic acid chlorohydrate and the corresponding aromatic amine in absolute benzene. The physicochemical characteristics of the obtained amides were studied, their structure was confirmed by IR, UV and NMR spectroscopy, and mass spectrometry.

The activity of the synthesized 3-O-AGLA to inhibit the Ca^{2+} dependent PTP of the membrane of rat liver mitochondria was studied at concentrations of 50 and 100 μM .

When studying the state of Ca^{2+} dependent mitochondrial megachannels (PTP) of the mitochondrial membrane, the kinetics of mitochondrial folding, optical density at a wavelength of 540 nm, when the amount of protein in the medium is 0.3-0.4 mg/ml, and at a temperature of 26°C were determined. The following incubation medium was used to determine the permeability of PTP in mitochondria: 200 mM sucrose, 20 μM EGTA, 5 mM succinate, 2 μM rotenone, 1 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ oligomycin, 20 mM Tris, 20 mM HEPES, and 1 mM KH_2PO_4 , pH 7.4.[12]

In this case, the amides of 3-O-AGLA obtained with o-aminophenol (**3.27**), o-benzoic acid (**3.50**), and 4-aminoantipyrine (**3.19**) at concentrations of 50 μM , 100 μM showed good anti-aging properties, on the contrary, amides of benzylamine (3.21) no inhibitory activity was found at 2 different concentrations.

Table 1

Inhibition of mitochondrial Ca^{2+} dependent PTP when 3-O-AGLA derivatives were studied at concentrations of 50 and 100 μM on Ca^{2+} dependent PTP of rat liver mitochondrial membrane

subst ances	Concentr ation	Inhibition in %	Concentra tion	Inhibition in %
3.27	50 mkM	34.61	100 mkM	40.38



	3.50	50 мкМ	35.7	100 мкМ	60.77
	3.21	50 мкМ	no impact effect	100 мкМ	no impact effect
	3.19	50 мкМ	31.15	100 мкМ	39.23

Further studies used the Fe²⁺/ascorbate system to study lipid peroxidation (LPO) of glycyrrhetic acid derivatives in the membrane of rat liver mitochondria. Composition of the incubation medium for LPO: KCl - 125 mM, tris- HCl - 10 mM, pH 7.4; Concentrations: FeSO₄ - 10 μM, ascorbate - 600 μM, protein content 0.3-0.4 mg/ml. Mitochondrial staining was determined spectrophotometrically [13]

Table 2

Properties of 3-O-AGLA in inhibiting the LPO process in rat liver mitochondria

	subst ances	Concentr ation	Inhibition of LPO in %
	3.27	15 мкМ	74.63
	3.50	10 мкМ	93.17
	3.21	10 мкМ	91.46
	3.19	5 мкМ	40.9

When the effect of 3-O-AGLA properties on the process of lipid peroxide oxidation (LPO) in rat liver mitochondria was studied, amides of 3-O-AGLA obtained with benzylamine (**3.21**), o-benzoic acid (**3.50**) showed strong inhibitory properties in the LPO process.

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