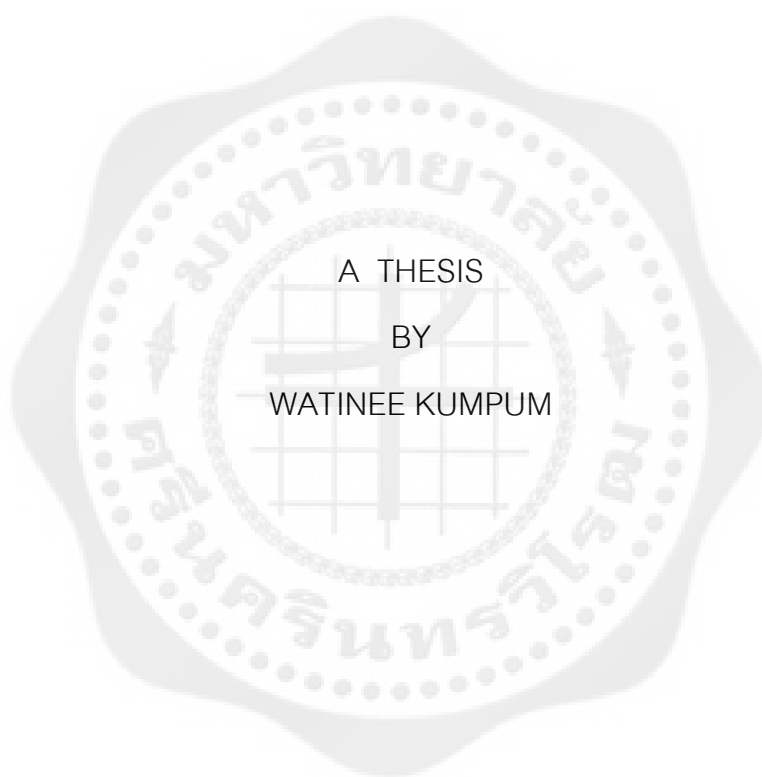


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Secretory diarrhea is an important health problem. This disease is commonly caused by intestinal infection with *Vibrio cholera*. *V. cholera* produces the cholera toxin to intracellular cAMP in intestinal epithelial cells and activates Cl⁻ secretion of CFTR protein, is the main course for dehydration. Thus, the inhibition Cl⁻ secretion of CFTR protein is a one for treatment secretory diarrhea. A series of hydroxyxanthone-9-one derivatives (**30-36**) were synthesized in 2-71 % yields from an oxidative coupling reaction between the corresponding *o*-hydroxybenzoic acids and activated phenols. All synthesized compounds were evaluated as potential inhibitors of CFTR by short circuit current analysis. The result showed that 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthone (**34**) was the most potent CFTR inhibitor with 52 % inhibition at 100 μ M and an IC₅₀ value of $\sim$ 100 μ M. This is the first report on hydroxyxanthones act as CFTR inhibitor which might be prospect for future development of pharmacotherapy for cholera.

In Thai folk medicine, the dried fruit pericarp of *G. mangostana* has been long used for treating diarrhea. However, the effect of mangosteen pericarp extract on Cl⁻ secretion has never been investigated. The present study was therefore conducted to investigate the effect of the mangosteen extract on cAMP-activated Cl⁻ secretion. Thus five mangosteen pericarp extracts (**E1-E4** and **E-7**) were prepared and evaluated for CFTR inhibitory activity on T84 cell and FRT cells by short circuit current analysis. The results showed that at concentration 50 μ g/ml only the 60% ethanol-water extract (**E4**) inhibited on db-cAMP-induced Cl⁻ secretion by 60 %, where as other extracts were inactive under the same screening. Following fractionating of the active extract with CH₂Cl₂-water system, unfortunately, the resulting CH₂Cl₂ and aqueous fractions (**E-5** and **E-6**) were also inactive on the same test.

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โรคอหิวาตกโรคเป็นปัญหาสุขภาพที่สำคัญ ที่มีสาเหตุมาจากการติดเชื้อแบคทีเรีย *Vibrio cholera* ที่บริเวณลำไส้เล็ก เชื้อ *V. cholera* จะปล่อยสารพิษ cholera toxin เข้าสู่ภายในเซลล์ ส่งผลทำให้ cAMP ในลำไส้เล็กเพิ่มมากขึ้น กระตุ้นการขับคลอไรด์ไอออนของโปรตีน CFTR เพิ่มมากขึ้น ซึ่งเป็นสาเหตุหลักของการสูญเสียน้ำของร่างกาย ดังนั้นการยับยั้งการขับคลอไรด์ไอออนของโปรตีน CFTR เป็นทางเลือกหนึ่งในการรักษาโรคอหิวาตกโรค จากการศึกษาเบื้องต้นอนุพันธ์ของไฮดรอกซีแซนโทน (30-36) และสารสกัดจากมังคุด (E1-E9) ได้ถูกนำมาทดสอบฤทธิ์ในการยับยั้งขับคลอไรด์ไอออนของโปรตีน CFTR ของ T84 เซลล์ และ FRT เซลล์ ด้วยเทคนิค short circuit current analysis โดยพบว่า 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthone (34) มีฤทธิ์ที่ดีที่สุดในการยับยั้ง CFTR ที่ 52 % ที่ความเข้มข้น 100 μ M และ $IC_{50} \sim 100 \mu$ M นอกจากนี้สารสกัดมังคุดชั้น 60 % EtOH-H₂O (E4) มีฤทธิ์ในการยับยั้งการขับคลอไรด์ไอออนโปรตีน CFTR ได้ 60 % ณ ความเข้มข้น 50 μ g/ml และจากการนำสารสกัดชั้น 60 % EtOH-water มาทำการสกัดด้วย CH₂Cl₂-water โดยผลจากการทดสอบพบว่า สารสกัดชั้น CH₂Cl₂ (E5) และ สารสกัดชั้นน้ำ (E6) ไม่มีฤทธิ์ในการยับยั้งการขับคลอไรด์ไอออนของโปรตีน CFTR .

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Secretory diarrhea is an important health problem. In developing countries, secretory diarrhea is the second leading cause of death in children under five years. This disease is commonly caused in intestinal infection by gram-negative bacillus, *Vibrio cholera*, which is transmitted through contaminated food and water when is untreated, leads to severe dehydration and shock. *V. cholera* produces the cholera toxin to intracellular cAMP in intestinal epithelial cells and activates Cl^- secretion, is the major driving force for fluid secretion (Thiagarajah and Verkman 2005; 172-174).

1. Secretory diarrhea medications

Currently, there are several anti-diarrhea drugs on the markets but they are ineffective to treat diarrhea. Diarrhea therapy with oral rehydration solutions (ORS) is the main to increase the minerals but it is unable to prevent the dehydration. The new researching approaches for treating diarrhea are as follow. (Thiagarajah and Verkman 2005; 172-174)

1.1 Cholera vaccines and antibiotics

Cholera vaccines have been used in cholera treatment for more than 100 years. Cholera vaccines have been shown in endemic areas such as Peru, Bangladesh and Micronesia which particularly against the *V. cholera* El Tor biotype. However, they have shown short biological half-life for agonistic the *V. Cholera* and low efficacy in under 5-year children. In addition, antibiotic drugs such as tetracycline and furazolidone were used to reduce the severity of only diarrhea because it has the short length of protection.

1.2 Inhibition of cholera toxin (CT) – receptor binding

Another approach to reduce diarrhea in cholera is the inhibition of CT binding on intestinal enterocytes. Cholera toxin, *Vibrio cholera*, binds to GM1 ganglioside receptor,

retrograde endocytosis to epithelial cell and activation of adenylate cyclase (AC). Resulting, intracellular cAMP increases, which stimulates salt and fluid secretion on the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance (CFTR) Cl^- channel. So, the inhibition of cholera toxin binding is an important target for treating diarrhea.

1.3 Enkephalinase inhibitors

The enkephalins are rapidly degraded by a dipeptidyl carboxylase known as enkephalinase. They are endogenous opiate substances that prevent fluid secretion by binding to delta opioid peptide receptors in enterocytes. After that, enkephalins will stimulate G proteins (Gi) for inhibitory CFTR Cl^- channel and basolateral K^+ channel, resulting can be reduced secretion of salt and fluid. In clinical, racecadotril as enkephalinase inhibitor, was effective against *V. cholera* and *E. coli* in pediatrics diarrhea. But it is not effective for adult because absorption in the intestine is rapidly.

1.4 CFTR inhibitors

Another potential target for anti-secretory therapy is the CFTR inhibitor. CFTR is a protein that controls fluid, Cl^- ions of epithelial cell and other enterotoxin-mediated secretory diarrheas. CFTR Inhibitors such as thiazolidone (CFTRinh-172), glycine hydrazine (GlyH-101) which were discovered by high-throughput screening, have been shown effective inhibitors to inhibit Cl^- ion and fluid secretion in human intestinal cells. Up to date 8 types of compounds are reported as CFTR inhibitors. These are arylaminobenzoic acid, sulfonylureas, thiazolidinone, glycine hydrazine, flavanoids, tannin, quinazolin and proanthocyanidin. The search for new pharmacophores for CFTR inhibitory activity, however, remains to be important.

G. mangostana or mangosteen is a rich source of natural polyphenol compounds such as tannins, flavonoids and xanthenes. *G. mangostana* pericarp has been used as traditional medicine for treating diarrhea and dysentery, however, its CFTR inhibitory activity has not been studied. Our interest in the bioactive compounds of *G. mangostana* along with the long history usage of mangosteen pericarp as anti-diarrhea agent prompt us to explore the

active substance and/ or fractionate of the pericarp as CFTR inhibitors. In addition, in a preliminary screening showed that the major prenylated xanthone, α -mangostin, from *G. mangostana* was a very weak inhibitor for blocking Cl^- of CFTR channel. It is therefore of interest to identify other xanthenes that would be more potent CFTR inhibitor than that of *G. mangostana* xanthone. Considering functional groups in α -mangostin, an oxygenated xanthone comprising two prenyl groups in its scaffold, the prenyl moieties should play an important role for such low activity. Therefore, hydroxyxanthenes without prenyl group is designed and synthesized, followed by evaluations for their CFTR inhibitory activity.

Objectives of the study

1. To identify the active substance and/or fractionates obtained from *G. mangostana* pericarp as CFTR inhibitor.
2. To synthesize and evaluate hydroxyxanthone derivatives as CFTR inhibitors.

CHAPTER 2

REVIEW OF LITERATURES

1. The cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR)

CFTR is a chloride channel in the apical membrane of epithelial cells, including lung, liver, pancreas, digestive tract, reproductive tract, and skin. CFTR is regulated by cAMP-dependent protein kinase (PKA) and ATP. This includes two transmembrane domains (TMDs), two intracellular nucleotide-binding domains (NBD1 and NBD2) and one unique intracellular regulatory (R) domain. The NBD1 and NBD2 connect with two adenosine triphosphate (ATP) at LSHGH and LSGQQ sequence, respectively and R domain connect with NBD1 to TMD2 (Figure 1). (Zhang et al. 2012; 329-345)

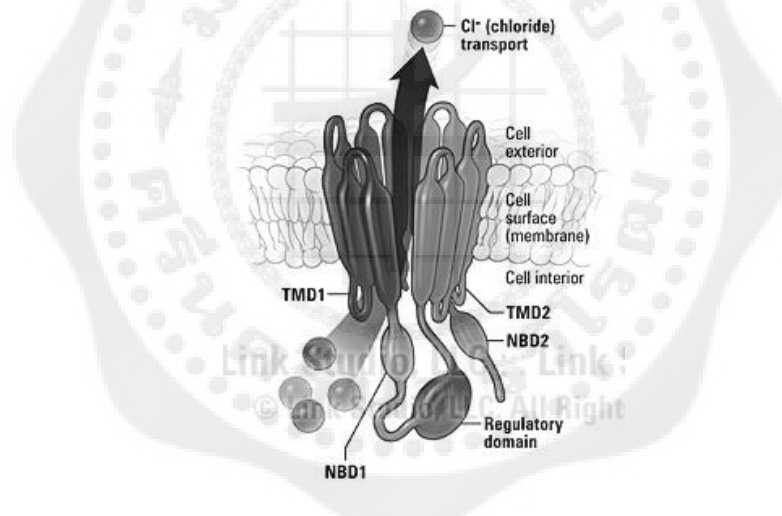


Figure 1 Structure of the cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator (CFTR) (Link studio. (2014). Cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator [http](http://www.linkstudio.info/portfolio/illustration05.htm). Retrived 2 3, 2014, from <http://www.linkstudio.info/portfolio/illustration05.htm>.)

1.1 Process of channel opening and closing

CFTR is an ABC transporter, meaning that it uses ATP to open and close channel. Phosphorylation of the R domain allows for the first ATP molecule to bind the NBD1 at LSHGH sequence and the second ATP molecule attract at LSGQQ sequence of NBD2, and a signal is

transmitted to allow for the opening of the channel. After that, the ATP molecules of NBD2 is hydrolyzed to ADP (thereby releasing a phosphate group), the channel begins to close (Figure 2). (Zhang et al. 2012; 329-345)

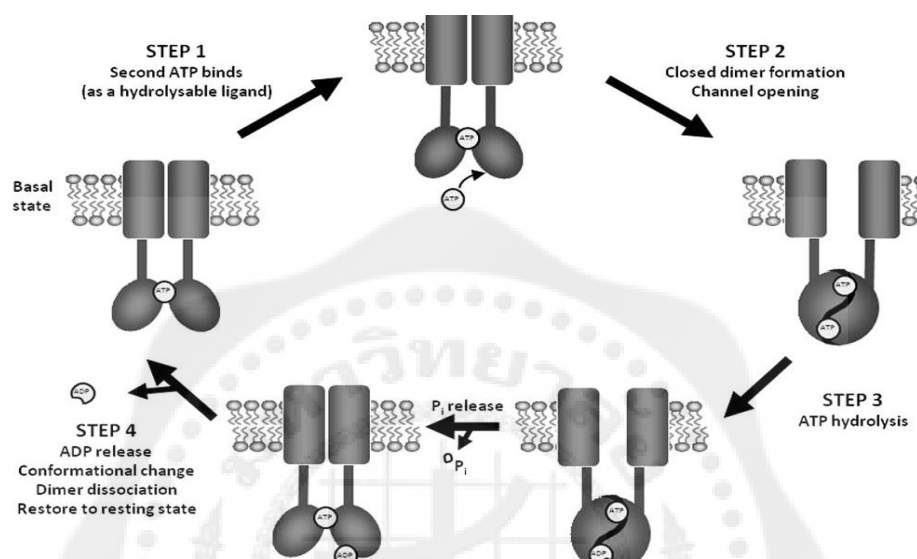


Figure 2 Process of ATP binding, channel opening and closing (Gout. 2012; 115-121)

1.2 Inhibition of the CFTR Cl⁻ channel

There are two pathways of inhibition on the CFTR Cl⁻ channel

1.2.1 Open channel blockers

Inhibition CFTR Cl⁻ channel by large anion (A⁻) on the activity of the CFTR Cl⁻ channel. Large anions inhibit CFTR by occluding the intracellular end of the channel pore and Cl⁻ prevention (Figure 3). (Zhiwei et al. 2004; 141-147)

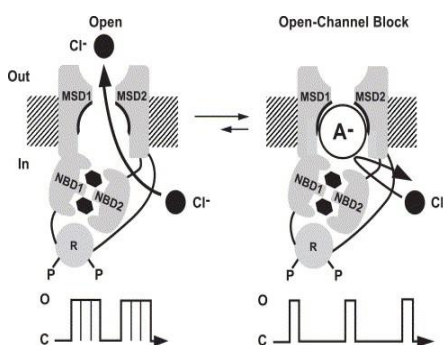


Figure 3 Inhibition of the CFTR Cl⁻ channel by open channel blockers (Zhiwei et al. 2004; 141-147)

1.2.2 Allosteric blockers

Allosteric blockers, genistein, inhibit CFTR by greatly slowing the rate of channel opening. As a result, in the presence of these agents, the duration of closed periods separating channel openings is greatly prolonged.

Genistein blocks CFTR by an allosteric mechanism. This simplified model shows the effect of elevated genistein (G) concentrations on the activity of the CFTR Cl⁻ channel (Figure 5). Elevated genistein concentrations inhibit CFTR principally by slowing greatly the rate of channel opening. Because elevated concentrations of ATP relieve genistein inhibition of CFTR, we propose that genistein and ATP compete for a common binding site (Figure 4). (Zhiwei et al. 2004; 141-147)

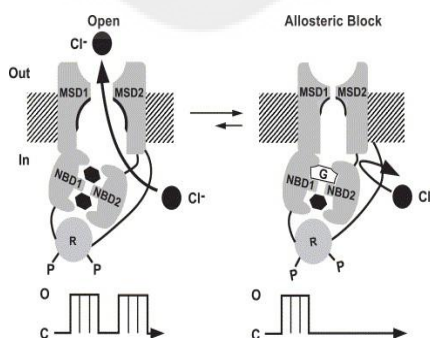


Figure 4 Inhibition of the CFTR Cl⁻ channel by allosteric blocker (Zhiwei et al. 2004; 141-147)

1.3 Targeting CFTR for therapy of secretory diarrhea

1.3.1 CFTR activators

CFTR activation requires elevation of intracellular cAMP and the consequent phosphorylation at the R domain by protein kinase A (PKA). ATP binding and possibly hydrolysis at NBDs are also required for channel opening. Negative regulatory mechanisms involve degradation of cAMP by phosphodiesterases (PDEs) and CFTR dephosphorylation by phosphatases (PPases). CFTR activators is direct inhibition on CFTR protein, or indirectly by inhibiting PDEs (thus elevating cAMP) or inhibiting PPases (thus increasing CFTR phosphorylation). Indirect effects are not expected to be useful for cystic fibrosis pharmacotherapy as the basic defect is intrinsic to the CFTR protein and not to upstream regulatory pathways (Figure 5). (Galietta et al. 2004; 497-503)

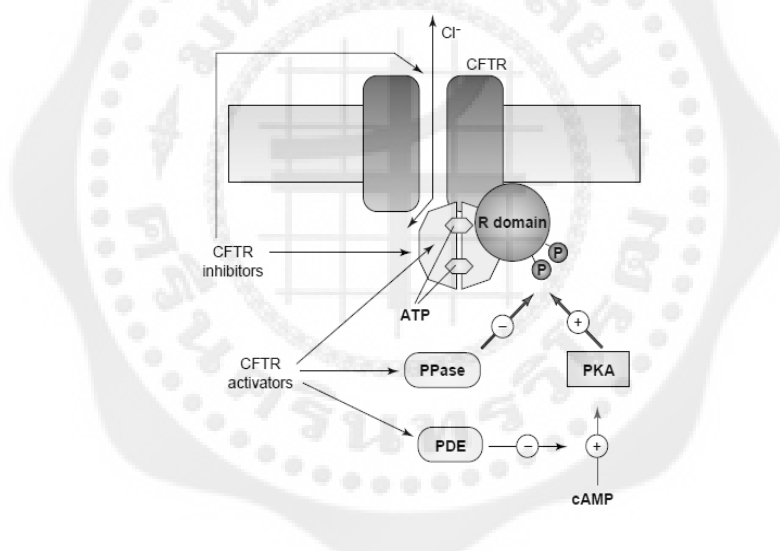


Figure 5 Pharmacological mechanisms for CFTR activation and inhibition (Galietta et al. 2004; 497-503)

CFTR activators by direct and indirect interaction include small molecules of, for examples, xanthine (such as IBMX (1)), benzimidazolones (such as NS004 (2)), benzo[c]quinoliziniums (such as UCCF-029 (3), CFTRact-09 (4), and CFTRact-12 (5)) and flavones/isoflavone (such as genistein (6)) (Figure 6). (Thiagarajah and Verkman 2003; 594–599)

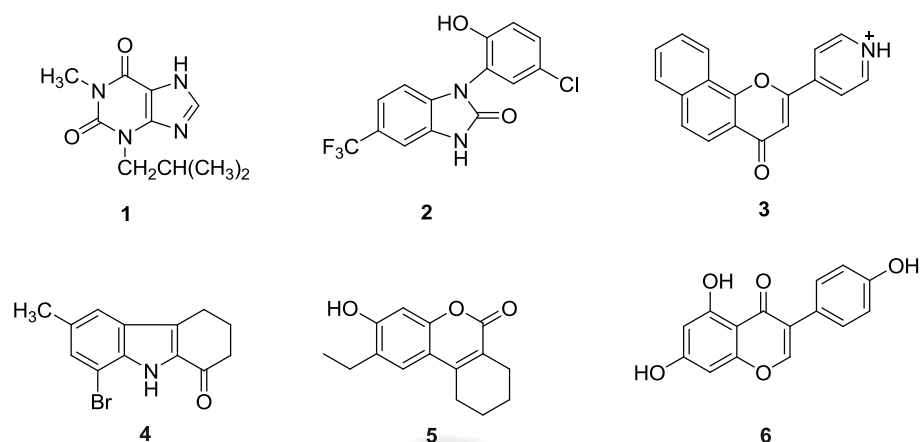


Figure 6 Chemical structures of CFTR activators of IBMX (1), NS004 (2), UCCF-029 (3), CFTRact-09 (4), CFTRact-12 (5) and genistein (6)

1.3.2 CFTR Inhibitors

Specific CFTR inhibitors could either block the channel pore or affect the gating mechanisms (Figure 5). Up to 2013, there have been reported 8 types of compounds as CFTR inhibitors, these are arylaminobenzoic acid, sulfonylureas, thiazolidinone, glycine hydrazine, flavanoids, tannin, quinazolin and proanthocyanidin.

1.3.2.1 Arylaminobenzoates

Hwang reviewed that diphenylamine-2-carboxylate or DPC (7) and 5-nitro-2-(3-phenylpropylamino)-benzoic acid or NPPB (8) (Figure 7) were discovered as CFTR inhibitors by screening over 200 compounds. Compounds 7 and 8 inhibited CFTR channel with half-maximal inhibition (K_i) 526 μ M and 580 nM, respectively. However, a different explanation was represented by Mccarty et al in 1993. They showed that DPC (7) induced inhibition of CFTR Cl^- channel was voltage dependent and occluded the CFTR Cl^- channel pore. (Hwang and Sheppard 1999; 448-453).

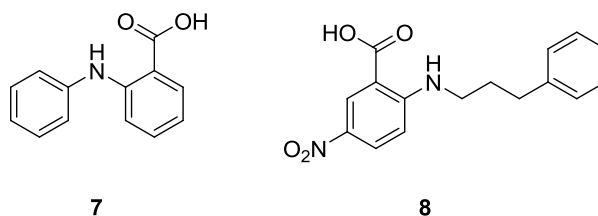


Figure 7 Chemical structures of DPC (7) and NPPB (8)

1.3.2.2 Sulfonylureas

In 1999, Hwang et al. reviewed that sulfonylureas, glibenclamide (9) and tolbutamide (10) (Figure 8), were group of hypoglycemia drugs for treating non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus. These compounds binded to the ABC protein SUR, where it modulates Kir6.2 K^+ channel activity and insulin release from pancreatic islet cells. Like CFTR, SUR1 was a member of the ABC transporter family in CFTR protein. The effect of glibenclamide (9) and tolbutamide (10) was investigated to inhibit cAMP-stimulated Cl^- currents. At higher concentrations, these compounds were likely to block CFTR function by binding to the CFTR pore in its open state. Compounds 9 and 10 inhibited cAMP-stimulated Cl^- currents in cells expressing recombinant CFTR with a half-maximal inhibition (K_i) at 20 and 150 μM , respectively. Although glibenclamide (9) has been widely used to inhibit CFTR, it was not a specific inhibitor of the CFTR Cl^- channel (Hwang and Sheppard 1999; 448-453).

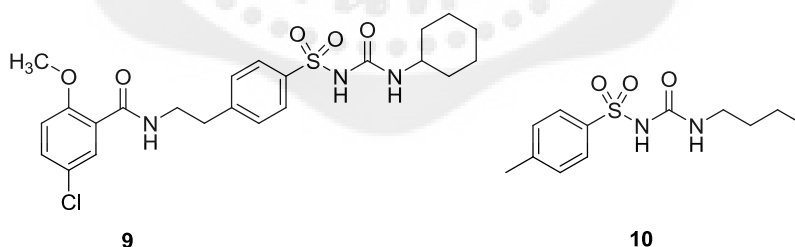


Figure 8 Chemical structures of glibenclamide (9) and tolbutamide (10)

1.3.2.3 Thiazolidinone

In 2002, Ma et al. screened 50,000 compounds for inhibition of Cl^- secretion in epithelial cells of CFTR, and found that 2-Thioxo-4-thiazolidone or CFTRinh-172 (**11**) was the most potent with half-maximal inhibition (K_i) 300 nM. Furthermore, CFTRinh-172 (**11**) was nontoxic at high concentrations and specific in cell culture and mouse models only. A single intraperitoneal injection of compound **11** (at the dose of 250 μg per kg of mice weight) in mice can reduce the cholera toxin-induced fluid secretion by more than 90% in the small intestine over 6 hours. Thiazolidinone CFTR inhibitors may be useful in developing large-animal models of cystic fibrosis and in reducing intestinal fluid loss in cholera and other secretory diarrheas (Ma et al. 2002; 1651-1658).

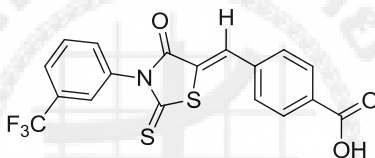


Figure 9 Chemical structure of CFTR inh-172 (**11**)

1.3.2.4 Glycine hydrazine

In 2004, Muanprasat et al. screened 100,000 small molecules for inhibition of CFTR Cl^- channel and found that the group of glycine hydrazines was crucial for increasing inhibitory activity. Analysis of series of synthesized glycine hydrazine analogues exposed maximum inhibitory potency for *N*-(2-naphthalenyl) and 3,5-dibromo-2,4-dihydroxyphenyl substituents. The compound of *N*-(2-naphthalenyl)-[(3,5-dibromo-2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)methylene]glycine hydrazine or GlyH-101 (**12**) (Figure 10) could inhibit CFTR Cl^- conductance in <1 min. Furthermore, this compound inhibited CFTR Cl^- conductance at >30 μM in whole-cell patch-pump and at 2.5 μg concentration reduced by ~80% cholera toxin-induced intestinal fluid secretion (Muanprasat et al. 2004; 125-137).

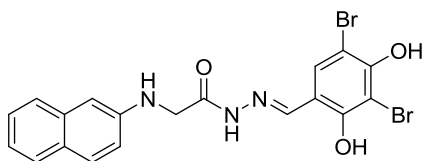


Figure 10 Chemical structure of GlyH-101 (12)

1.3.2.4 Flavanoids

In 2005, Schuier et al. studied the dose-dependent effects of flavonoid compounds from cocoa bean, including (+)-catechin (13), (-)-epicatechin (14), procyanidin B2 (15), quercetin (16), morin (17), lutiolin (18) and baicalein (19) (Figure 11). These compounds were tested on forskolin stimulated CFTR-mediated Cl^- secretion across T84 colonic epithelia. It was found that (-)-epicatechin (14) was the most effective blocker with K_i in the range of 100 μM . Morin (17) and baicalein (19) were less effective blocker. These data indicated that cocoa flavanols targeted intestinal CFTR Cl^- transport and may serve as inhibitors of cAMP-stimulated Cl^- secretion in the intestine. (Schuier et al. 2005; 2320-2325)

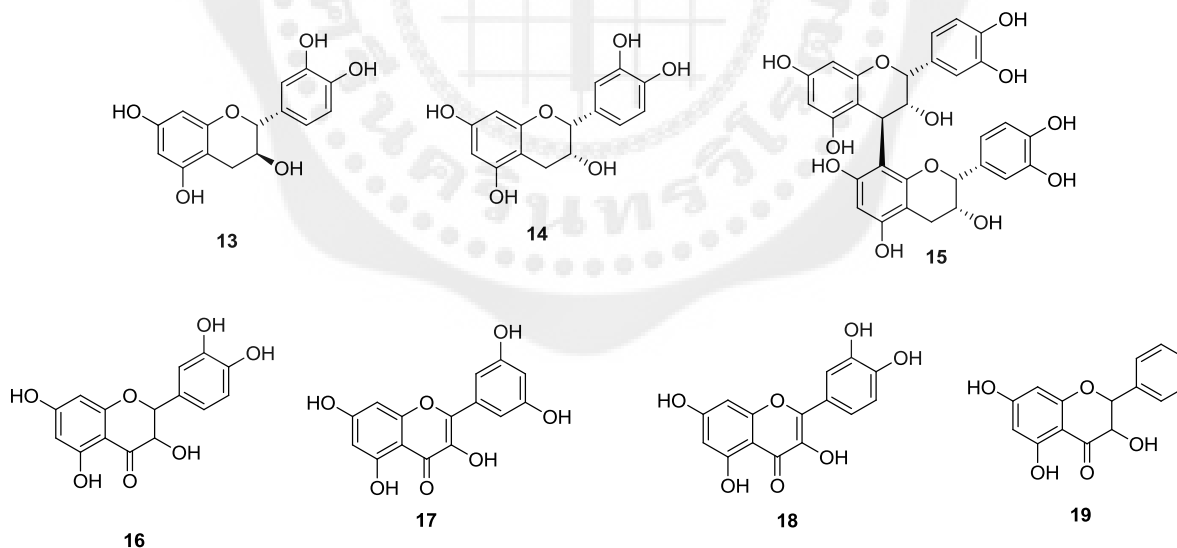


Figure 11 Chemical structures for (+)-catechin (13), (-)-epicatechin (14), procyanidin B2 (15), quercetin (16), morin (17), lutiolin (18) and baicalein (19)

1.3.2.5 Tannin

In 2010, Wongsamitkul et al. studied the effects and mechanisms of actions on CFTR protein of penta-*m*-digalloyl-glucose (PDG) or tannic acid (20) (Figure 12) obtained from the tannic extract of Chinese gallnut. This resulted that PDG (20) can inhibit on cAMP-activated chloride secretion in FRT cells and human intestinal cells (T84 cells) with $IC_{50} \cong 10 \mu M$, without effects on intracellular cAMP content and cell viability. Furthermore, PDG (20) efficiently inhibited chloride secretion and no effect on calcium-induced chloride secretion in T84 cells. In mice, a single intraluminal injection of PDG (20) (0.6 mg/ kg) reduced cholera toxin-induced intestinal fluid secretion by 75% with no effect on intestinal fluid absorption (Wongsamitkul et al. 2010; 490-497).

In 2012, Ren et al. demonstrated that the tannic acid-based medical food, Cesinex[®], was effective a good safety profile for treatment diarrhea at 0.01-0.1 mg/ml and inhibited the CFTR-dependent or the calcium-activated Cl^- secretion (Ren et al. 2012; 99-108).

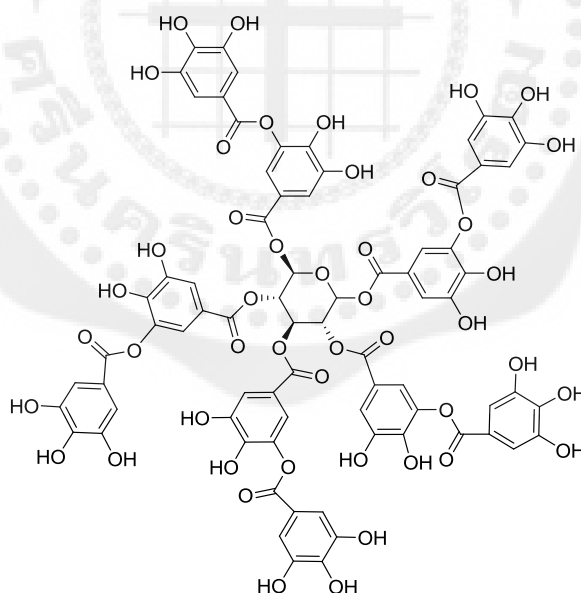


Figure 12 Chemical structure of PDG (20)

1.3.2.6 Quinazolin

In 2012, Patanatindee et al. studied the antidiarrheal efficacy and pharmacological of ethyl-2-(4-oxo-3-o-tolyl-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-ylthio)acetate, DQA, (21) (Figure 13) for using as a CFTR inhibitor in Fisher rat thyroid (FRT) cells expressing human CFTR and human intestinal epithelial T84 cells by short-circuit current measurements and MTT assays. In this result, DQA (21) inhibited chloride secretion with $IC_{50} \cong 20 \mu M$ and complete inhibition at $200 \mu M$. Furthermore, DQA (21) was nontoxic to FRT cells ($5-500 \mu M$) and effectively inhibited both forskolin and cholera toxin-induced transepithelial chloride secretion in T84 cells. In mice, DQA (21) at $100 \mu M$ reduced cholera toxin ($1 \mu g$ / closed loop)-induced intestinal fluid secretion by 85 % without affecting intestinal fluid absorption (Patanayindee et al. 2012; 619-613).

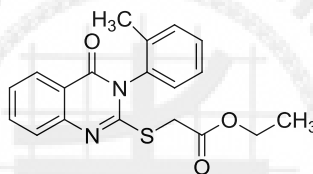


Figure 13 Chemical structure of DQA (21)

1.3.2.7 Proanthocyanidin

In 2012, Verkman et al. investigated the antisecretory diarrheal mechanism on calcium-activated chloride channels (CaCC) and CFTR Cl^- channel of crofelemer (22-28) (Figure 14) obtained from the bark latex of *Croton lechleri*. Crofelemer (22-28) was an amorphous, dark red-brown powder consisting of an oligomeric proanthocyanidin of varying chain lengths with an average molecular weight of 2100 daltons. In this result, crofelemer (22-28) inhibited CFTR Cl^- channel with maximum inhibition $\sim 60\%$ and IC_{50} value of $\sim 7 \mu M$. A comparison study on the possible possibility site of action on CFTR between crofelemer and CFTR inhibitors, thiazolidinone (11) and glycine hydrazide (12), showed that crofelemer (22-28) inhibited at a outside of the CFTR pore because the larger size of 22-28 than thiazolidinone (11) and glycine hydrazide (12). Furthermore, crofelemer (22-28) were shown to strongly inhibit the intestinal

CaCC Cl^- channel in TMEM16A protein with maximum inhibition $>90\%$ and $\text{IC}_{50} \sim 6.5 \mu\text{M}$ by a voltage-independent inhibition (Verkman et al. 2012; US 2012/0202876).

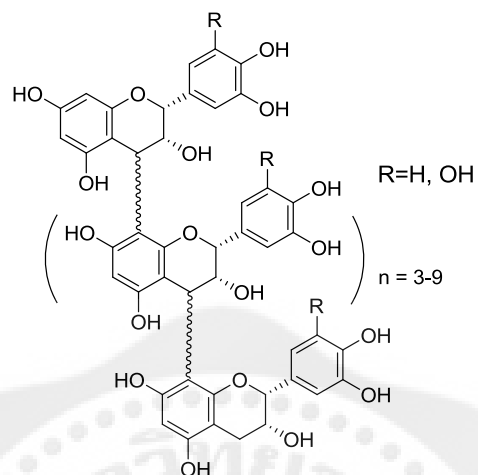


Figure 14 Chemical structures of crofelemer (22-28) from *C. lechleri*

CHAPTER 3

EXPERIMENTAL

1. Materials and methods

1.1 Solvents and chemicals

Chemicals reagents were obtained from Sigma Chemical Co., Aldrich Chemical Co., Fluka Chemie AG, and Acros Chemical Co and were used without further purification. The commercial grade solvents used for flash chromatography were distilled before use. Anhydrous solvents were stored over molecular sieves (4 Å).

1.2 Physical constants

All melting points were determined in glass capillaries using a Griffin melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

1.3 Spectroscopic techniques

1.3.1 Nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometry (NMR)

The ^1H -NMR and ^{13}C -NMR (75 MHz) spectra and 2D-NMR Spectra were recorded on Bruker Avance 300 FT-NMR spectrometer. Samples were run either in deuteriochloroform (CDCl_3), deuteriomethanol (CD_3OD) or dimethylsulfoxide- d_6 (DMSO-d_6). The chemical shifts (δ) were in ppm. The coupling constants were measured in Hz and the following abbreviations are adopted: s (singlet); d (doublet); t (triplet); q (quartet); m (multiplet); dd (doublet of doublets); dt (doublet of triplets). The complete assignment of all proton and carbon signals was completed via 1D proton and carbon NMR experiments.

1.3.2 Infrared spectrometry (IR)

Infrared (IR) spectra were taken as KBr pellets and/or as a solution in dichloromethane on a Perkin Elmer FT-IR spectrum BX.

1.3.2 Mass spectrometry

Electrospray ionization (ESI) mass spectra were obtained with a Finnigan LC-Q mass spectrometer (Department of chemistry, Faculty of Science, Rhamkhamhaeng University). Electrospray ionization-time-of-flight (ESI-TOF-MS) mass spectra (Bruker Daltonics GmbH, Bremen, Germany) were recorded with micrOTOF-Q II, an orthogonal acceleration quadrupole time-of-flight (Q-TOF) mass spectrometer equipped with electrospray interface (Archemica International Co, Ltd.).

1.4 Chromatography

Flash column chromatographic separations were carried out using silica gel (E. Merck, type 60, 230-400 mesh), precoated silica gel GF₂₅₄ preparative TLC plates (20 x 20, 0.5 mm thick, E. Merck). Purity of the samples was checked on precoated TLC plates (silica gel).

1.4.1 Detection of compounds on TLC technique

TLC plates were viewed under UV light at 254 nm for fluorescence quenching spots and at 356 nm for fluorescent spots. Anisaldehyde - sulfuric acid reagent was used as spraying reagent to detect the spots. (Pirrung, 2007) This reagent produced a variety of colors for different substances.

1.4.2 Column chromatography (CC)

Column chromatography was performed on a glass column packed with silica gel of particle size 230-400 mesh or Sephadex LH-20. The sample will be dissolved in a small volume of suitable organic solvent. The solution will be mixed with silica gel particle size < 0.063 mm or 0.040-0.063 mm, depending on the type of silica gel in column. The sample solution will be evaporated under reduced pressure and added onto the top of column. After loading of sample onto the column, and appropriate solvent system will be used as a mobile phase in the isocratic or gradient systems.

2. Synthesis of hydroxyxanthone derivatives

2.1 Synthesis of 1-hydroxyxanthen-9-one (30)

A mixture of resorcinol (1.154 g, 10.4 mmol), anhyd. ZnCl_2 (1 g, 7.3 mmol) and salicylic acid (1.340 g, 9.7 mmol) was heated at 180°C in an oil bath for 6 h. After cooling, EtOAc (50 mL) was added to dissolve the reaction mixture, followed by silica gel (5 g) was added. Evaporation of the mixture to dryness afforded a dark red residue which was purified by column chromatography (using 1% EtOAc-hexane as eluting system) to yield 1-hydroxyxanthen-9-one (30) as a pale yellow solid (1.59 g, 7.5 mmol, 71 % yield), R_f 0.62 (30% acetone-hexane) and m.p. $145\text{--}146^\circ\text{C}$ (lit. $142\text{--}144^\circ\text{C}$, Coelho; et al. 2001: 117-123) (Coelho; et al. 2001: 117-123).

^1H NMR [$\text{DMSO}-d_6$] δ : 12.53 (s, 1H, 1-OH), 8.15 (dd, $J = 7.9, 1.5$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 7.90 (ddd, $J = 8.4, 7.1, 1.5$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 7.72 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H, H-3), 7.64 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 7.49 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 7.06 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 6.81 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H, H-2)

^{13}C NMR [$\text{DMSO}-d_6$] δ : 181.7 (C-9), 160.9 (C-1), 155.7 (C-4a), 155.6 (C-10a), 137.5 (C-3), 136.5 (C-6), 125.4 (C-8), 124.6 (C-7), 119.8 (C-8a), 118.0 (C-5), 110.2 (C-2), 108.3 (C-9a), 107.2 (C-4),

MS: (ESI, +ve) m/z : 213.2 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ (100) for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{O}_3$

IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm^{-1} : 2924, 2853, 1648, 1611, 1479, 1461, 1376, 1348, 1332, 1285, 1233, 1213, 1159, 1116, 1048, 1021, 931, 862, 816, 770, 725

2.2 Synthesis of 1,3-dihydroxyxanthen-9-one (31)

A freshly prepared methanesulfonic acid (36.5 g, 25 mL, 0.4 mol) was placed in a two-necked flask (500 mL) fitted with an efficient magnetically stirrer and a calcium chloride drying tube. Phosphorus pentoxide (3.6 g, 25.4 mmol) was added in one portion which was generally dissolved in 1-2 h. The reagent could be used immediately or could be stored in a stoppered flask for later use (Eaton; Carlson; & Lee. 1973: 4071-4073). Then the solution was added a mixture of phloroglucinol (1.262 g, 10.0 mmol) and salicylic acid (1.345 g, 9.7 mmol) and heated at 80°C for 30 min. The reaction progress was monitored by TLC. After completion, the reaction mixture was poured into ice-water. The resulting orange solid was collected by

filtration, washed with water, dried in air, and the residue was then purified by column chromatography (using 10% acetone-hexane as eluting system) to give a yellow crystal of the desired product (**31**, 1.590 g, 6.9 mmol, 71 % yield), R_f 0.50 (30% acetone-hexane) and m.p. 254-255 °C (lit. 255-256 °C, Fotie; et al. 2003: 683-688) (Pillai; et al. 1986: 717-723).

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ [acetone- d_6] δ : 12.89 (s, 1H, 1-OH), 8.16 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H, H-8), 7.81 (ddd, J = 8.6, 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H, H-6), 7.50 (dd, J = 7.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H, H-5), 7.43 (ddd, J = 8.6, 8.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H, H-7), 6.41 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, H-4), 6.25 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, H-2)

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ [acetone- d_6] δ : 181.2 (C-9), 166.6 (C-3), 164.7 (C-1), 158.8 (C-4a), 94.8 (C-2), 156.8 (C-10a), 136.1 (C-6), 126.2 (C-8), 125.0 (C-7), 121.2 (C-8a), 118.46 (C-5), 103.7 (C-9a), 99.0 (C-4)

MS (ESI, -ve): m/z 227.6 $[\text{M-H}]^-$ (100) for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{O}_4$

IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm^{-1} : 3394, 2925, 1654.2, 1610, 1457, 1352, 1312, 1284, 1223, 1193, 1164, 1077, 929, 855, 828, 788, 763, 727, 670, 600

2.3 Synthesis of 1,6-dihydroxyxanthen-9-one (**32**) and 1,8-dihydroxyxanthen-9-one (**33**)

Compounds **32** and **33** were synthesized by using the same procedure as described for compound **31** from resorcinol (612 mg, 5.5 mmol) and 2,6-dihydroxybenzoic acid (804 mg, 5.2 mmol) (Figure 15). The residue was purified by column chromatography (using 10% acetone-hexane as eluting system) to give a yellow solid of **32** (130.5 mg, 0.57 mmol, 10 % yields), R_f 0.3 (30% acetone-hexane), m.p. 236-238 °C (lit. 246-248.5 °C, Fletcher; & Marlow. 1970: 937-939) and a yellow solid of **33** (21.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 2 % yield), R_f 0.37 (30% acetone-hexane), m.p. 190-191 °C (lit. 192-194 °C, Fletcher; & Marlow. 1970: 937-939).

1,6-dihydroxyxanthen-9-one (**32**)

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ [DMSO- d_6] δ : 12.82 (s, 1H, 1-OH), 8.01 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, H-8), 7.64 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, H-3), 7.03 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-4), 6.92 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-7), 6.75 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, H-2), 6.85 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-5)

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ [$\text{DMSO}-d_6$] δ : 180.6 (C-9), 165.0 (C-6), 161.0 (C-1), 157.8 (C-10a), 155.0 (C-4a), 136.7 (C-3), 127.5 (C-8), 114.5 (C-5), 112.4 (C-9a), 110.1 (C-2), 107.3 (C-8a), 106.9 (C-7), 102.0 (C-4)

MS (ESI, -ve) m/z : 227.6 $[\text{M-H}]^-$ (100) for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{O}_4$

IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm^{-1} : 3513, 3085, 2343, 1642, 1523, 1481, 1388, 1328, 1226, 1187, 1118, 1069, 1049, 924, 853, 801, 764, 722, 687, 671, 604, 489

1,8-dihydroxyxanthen-9-one (**33**)

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ [CDCl_3] δ : 11.80 (s, 2H, 1-OH & 8-OH), 7.58 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H, H-6 & H-3), 6.88 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H, H-4 & H-5), 6.76 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H, H-2 & H-7)

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ [CDCl_3] δ : 186.2 (C-9), 161.3 (C-1 & C-8), 156.2 (C-4a & 10a), 137.1 (C-6 & C-3), 110.7 (C-7 & C-2), 110.7 (C-2), 107.1 (C-9a & C-8a), 106.7 (C-4 & C-5)

MS (ESI, -ve) m/z : 227.7 $[\text{M-H}]^-$ (100) for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{O}_4$

IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm^{-1} : 3513, 3085, 2343, 1642, 1523, 1481, 1388, 1328, 1226, 1187, 1118, 1069, 1049, 924, 853, 801, 764, 722, 687, 671, 604

2.4 Synthesis of 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthen-9-one (**34**)

Compound **34** was synthesized by using the same procedure as described for compound **31** from phloroglucinol (454.0 mg, 2.9 mmol) and the 2,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid (348 mg, 2.7 mmol). The mixture was purified by column chromatography (using 20-30% acetone-hexane as elute) to give a yellow solid of **34** (430 mg, 1.7 mmol, 60 % yield), R_f 0.37 (30% acetone-hexane as eluting system) and decomposes at 260 °C (lit decomp. 332 °C, Lund; Robertson; & Whalley. 1953: 2434-2439.).

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ [$\text{DMSO}-d_6$] δ : 13.04 (s, 1H, 1-OH), 10.54 -11.43 (br s, 1H, 6-OH, 3-OH), 7.95 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 6.87 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 6.80 (s, 1H, H-5), 6.33 (s, 1H, H-4), 6.15 (s, 1H, H-2),

^{13}C -NMR [DMSO- d_6] δ : 179.1 (C-9), 165.1 (C-3), 164.2 (C-6), 162.8 (C-1), 157.4 (C-10a), 157.3 (C-4a), 127.2 (C-8), 114.0 (C-7), 112.3 (C-8a), 102.0 (C-5), 101.6 (C-9a), 97.9 (C-2), 93.9 (C-4)

MS (ESI, -ve) m/z : 243.7 [M-H] $^-$ (100) for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{O}_5$

IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm^{-1} : 3394, 2925, 1654.2, 1610, 1457, 1352, 1312, 1284, 1223, 1193, 1164, 1077, 929, 855, 828, 788, 763, 727, 670, 600

2.5 Synthesis of 1,3,8-trihydroxyxanthen-9-one (35)

Compound **35** was synthesized by using the same procedure as described for compound **31** from phloroglucinol (1.261 g, 10.0 mmol) and the 2,6-dihydroxybenzoic acid (1.54 g, 10.0 mmol), and purified by column chromatography (using 20-30% acetone-hexane as eluting system) to give a yellow solid of **35** (871 mg, 3.3 mmol, 36 % yield), R_f 0.37 (30% acetone-hexane) and m.p. 270-272 °C (lit 269-270°C, Fonteneau; et al. 2001: 9131-9135).

^1H NMR : [DMSO- d_6] δ : 11.83 (s, 1H, 8-OH), 11.76 (s, 1H, 1-OH), 7.65 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-6), 6.95 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-5), 6.75 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, H-7), 6.35 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-4), 6.20 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-2)

^{13}C NMR [DMSO- d_6] δ : 183.4 (C-9), 166.6 (C-3), 162.2 (C-1), 160.3 (C-8), 157.5 (C-4a), 155.5 (C-10a), 137.2 (C-7), 110.6 (C-5), 107.1 (C-6), 106.9 (C-8a), 101.1 (C-9a), 98.6 (C-2), 94.4 (C-4)

MS : (ESI, -ve) m/z : 243.9 [M-H] $^-$ (100) for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{O}_5$

IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm^{-1} : 3512, 3087, 2343, 1609, 1478, 1277, 1226, 1160, 1117, 1048, 924, 801, 764, 670

2.6 Synthesis of 1,3,6,8-tetrahydroxyxanthen-9-one (36)

Compound **36** was synthesized by using the same procedure as described for compound **31** from phloroglucinol (1.261 g, 10 mmol) and 2,4,6-trihydroxybenzoic acid (**35**, 1.70 g, 10.0 mmol), and the residue was then purified by flash column chromatography (using 20-30% acetone-hexane as eluting system) to give a yellow solid of **36** (836 mg, 3.2 mmol, 32 %

yield), R_f 0.30 (40% acetone-hexane) and m.p. 343-345 °C (lit. 347-348 °C, Fotie ; et al. 2003: 683-688).

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ [DMSO- d_6] δ : 11.89 (s, 2H, 8-OH & 1-OH) , 6.30 (s, 2H, H-5 & H-4), 6.15 (s, 2H, H-7 & H-2)

$^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ [DMSO- d_6] δ : 182.0 (C-9), 165.8 (C-6 & C-3), 162.0 (C-8 & C-1), 157.2 (C-4a), 157.1 (C-10a), 100.4 (C-9a & C-8a), 94.3 (C-5 & C-4), 98.4 (C-7 & C-2)

MS (ESI, -ve) m/z : 259.6 $[\text{M-H}]^-$ (100) for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{O}_6$

IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm^{-1} : 3530, 3084, 2882, 2817, 2735, 2652, 1640, 1616, 1524, 1461, 1385, 1321, 1279, 1184, 1159, 1116, 1085, 1069, 1009, 978, 927, 833, 759

3. Prepration of mangosteen pericarp extracts

The mangosteen fruit (1 kg) was bought from Minburi market, Bangkok, Thailand, in November, 2012. The fresh pericarps were cleaned and the edible aril parts and caps were removed. The fruit pericarps were cut into small pieces (2 cm) and dried in a hot oven at 60 °C for 24 h. to yield the dried brown pericarp (430 g).

3.2 Prepration of mangosteen extract by different solvents

3.2.1 Extration with water

The dried pericarp (20 g) was extracted with reverse osmosis water or RO water (2x160 ml) at 60 °C for 2 h. The supernatant was concentrated under reduced pressure at 40 °C by a rotary evaporator and MeOH (2x20 ml) was added and filtered through a Whatman filter paper (no. 1) (to remove pectin). The filtrate was evaporated to dryness by a rotary evaporator and was then freeze-dried to give an extract (E1) as a red solid (2.25 g, 11 % base on dried pericarp).

3.2.2 Extraction with ethanol

The dried pericarp of mangosteen (20 g) was extracted with 95 % ethanol (2 x 160 ml) at room temperature for 24 h. The supernatant was filtered through a Whatman filter paper (no. 1) and concentrated under reduced pressure at 40 °C by a rotary vacuum evaporator until

dryness to give an ethanol extract (E2) as a yellow-brown solid (2.75 g, 13 % base on dried pericarp).

3.2.3 Extraction with acetone

By using the same method as described for the ethanol extraction, but using acetone in place of ethanol. The filtrate was evaporated under vacuum at 40 °C to dryness to give an acetone extract (E3) as a yellow-brown solid (2.52 g, 12 % base on dried pericarp).

3.2.4 Extraction with 60% ethanol-water

The 60 % ethanol-water extract from dried pericarp of mangosteen (20 g) was extracted by using the same method as described for the ethanol extraction. The filtrate was evaporated in vacuum at 40 °C to dryness to give an ethanol-water extract (E4) as a red-brown solid (2.02 g, 10 % base on dried pericarp).

A portion of the extract (1.20 g) was subjected to liquid-liquid extraction with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 50 ml) and water (3 × 50 ml). Both phases were pulled and concentrated to dryness to give a CH_2Cl_2 (E5) and aqueous (E6) fractions as yellow (0.52 g) and red (0.72 g) solids, respectively.

3.2.5 Extraction with 60% acetone-water

The 60 % acetone-water extract from dried pericarp of mangosteen (20 g) was extracted by using the same method as described for the 60% ethanol-water. The filtrate was evaporated in vacuum at 40 °C to dryness to give an ethanol-water extract (E7) as a red-brown solid (1.61 g, 8 % base on dried pericarp).

4. CFTR inhibitory activity evaluation

The tested samples were screened at for effects on cAMP-activated Cl^- secretion across a monolayer of human crypt-like epithelial T84 cells and Fisher rat thyroid (FRT) cells by short circuit current analysis (Department of Physiology, Faculty of Science, Mahidol University) (Luerang et al. 2012; 988-994).

CHAPTER 4

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1. Synthesis of hydroxyxanthone derivatives and evaluation of their CFTR inhibitory activity

Hydroxyxanthones (**30-36**) have been designed and synthesized by using an oxidative coupling reaction of the corresponding *o*-hydroxybenzoic acids and activated phenols. 1-Hydroxyxanthone (**30**) was synthesized in 71% yield by heating at 180 °C for 8 h. as described previously of a mixture between salicylic acid and resorcinol under anhydrous ZnCl₂ catalysis. Xanthones **31** and **34-36** were prepared in 32-71% yield by using a similar manner from different hydroxybenzoic acids and phloroglucinol but using a freshly prepared mixture of methanesulfonic acid and P₂O₅ in place of ZnCl₂ under heating at 80 °C. Compounds **32** and **33** were obtained in 10 and 2 % yields, respectively, by using the same procedure as described for **30** from resorcinol and 2,6-dihydroxybenzoic acid. Schematic synthesis of these xanthones was depicted in Figure 15. The structures of these compounds were confirmed mainly by NMR (1D- and 2D-NMR) and MS techniques. Spectroscopic data of **30-36** were in agreement with the structures and were consistent with the literature values (Pillai et al. 1985; 717-723).

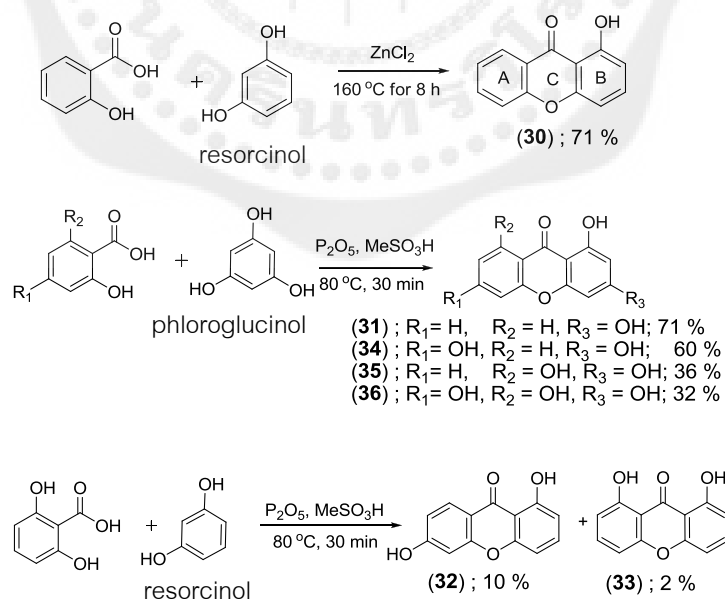


Figure 15 Synthesis of hydroxyxanthene-9-one derivatives **30-36**

The reaction mechanism proceeds via an oxidative coupling reaction as shown in Figure 16. Polyphosphoric acid (PPA) is formed by interaction of P_2O_5 with CH_3SO_3H (Ying-Hung So and Jerry P. Heeschen 1997; 3352-3561). Protonation on 2,4-dihydroxybenzoic by PPA leads to benzoyl cation intermediate formation. Coupling reaction of phloroglucinol with the cation giving a benzophenone, followed by cyclization and dehydration gives the target xanthone **34**.

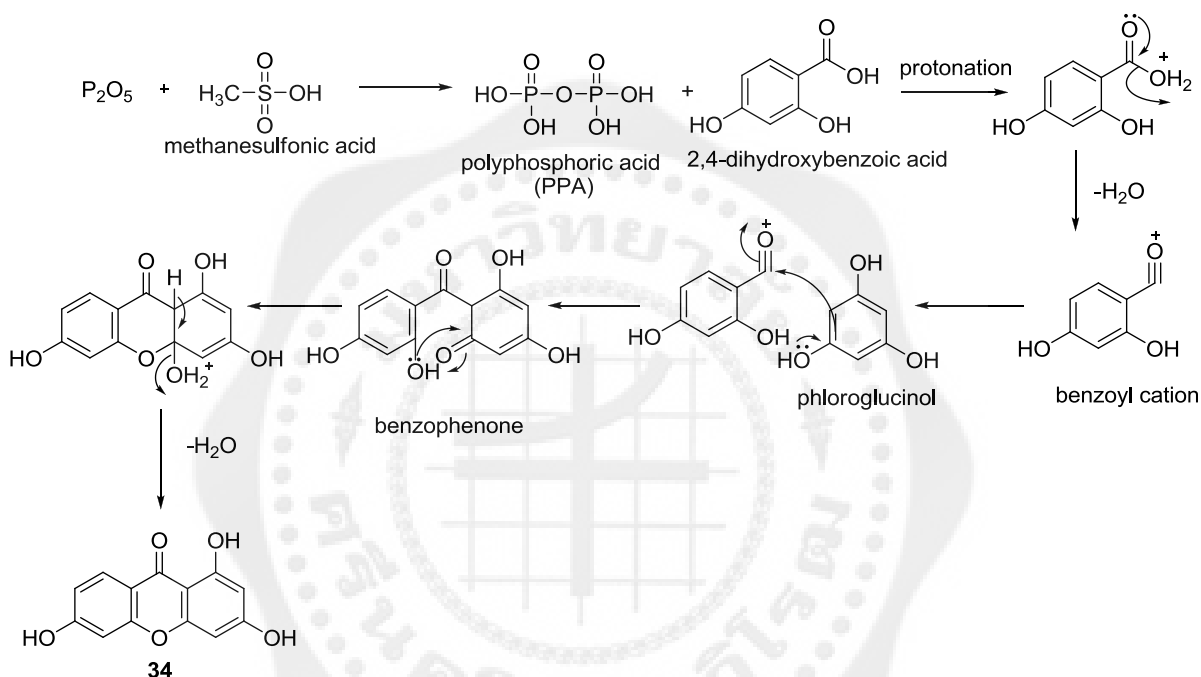


Figure 16 Proposed mechanism for hydroxyxanthone formation via oxidative coupling

1.1 1-hydroxyxanthene-9-one (30)

Compound **30** showed a base peak at m/z 213.2 $[M+H]^+$ in its ESIMS spectrum which corresponded to a molecular formula of $C_{13}H_8O_3$. Its 1H -NMR spectrum showed a highly singlet at δ 12.53 in the downfield region, which corresponded to the presence of a chelated hydroxyl proton of C-1. The aromatic protons showed signals for a doublet of doublet at δ_H 8.16 ($J = 7.9, 1.5$ Hz, H-8), a doublet of doublet of doublet at δ_H 7.90 ($J = 8.4, 7.1, 1.5$ Hz, H-6), two triplets at δ_H 7.72 ($J = 8.3$ Hz, H-3), 7.49 ($J = 7.5$ Hz, H-7) and three doublets at δ_H 7.64 (H-5, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 7.06 (H-4, $J = 8.2$ Hz) and 6.81 (H-2, $J = 8.2$ Hz). The ^{13}C -NMR spectrum showed thirteen carbon signals in the region of 107.2-181.7. Among these carbon signals, the peak with the

highest chemical shift at δ_C 181.7 corresponded to conjugated carbonyl carbon, others corresponded to 5 quaternary carbons, and 6 methine carbons. The assignments of carbon signals above were carried out based on HMQC and HMBC spectral data analysis. The quaternary carbon at δ_{C-1} 160.9 and methine proton of H-2 and H-3 signals confirmed the hydroxyl group was placed at C-1 in ring B of xanthone nucleus (Figure 19).

1.2 1,3-dihydroxyxanthene-9-one (31)

Compound **31** showed m/z 277.6 $[M-H]^-$ in its ESIMS spectrum which corresponded to a molecular formula of $C_{13}H_8O_4$. Its 1H -NMR data at ring A of showed similar pattern to that of compound **30**, except for H-4 and H-2 in **31** showed doublet of doublet at δ_H 6.41 and 6.25, respectively, with a *meta* coupling constant 2.0 Hz. A HMBC correlation was observed between the methine proton signal of H-4 and a quaternary carbon at δ 166.6 (C-3) confirmed the hydroxyl group was placed at C-3 in ring B of xanthone nucleus (Figure 20).

1.3 1,6-dihydroxyxanthene-9-one (32)

Compound **32** showed m/z 277.6 $[M-H]^-$ in its ESIMS spectrum which corresponded to a molecular formula of $C_{13}H_8O_4$. Its 1H -NMR data at ring B of showed similar pattern to that of compound **30**. A typical AMX spin system for H-8 (d, $J = 8.8$), H-7 (dd, $J = 8.8, 2.1$ Hz) and H-5 (d, $J = 2.1$ Hz, 1H, H-5) was observed in its 1H -NMR data. In addition, a long-range ^{13}C - 1H coupling between the quaternary carbon at δ 165.0 (C-6) and methine proton of H-8 and H-5 signals confirmed the hydroxyl group was placed at C-6 in ring A of xanthone nucleus (Figure 21).

1.4 1,8-dihydroxyxanthene-9-one (33)

Compound **32** showed m/z 277.6 $[M-H]^-$ in its ESIMS spectrum which corresponded to a molecular formula of $C_{13}H_8O_4$. Its 1H -NMR data of showed two chelated hydroxyl protons at δ_H 11.79, triplet proton at δ_H 7.58 ($J = 8.3$ Hz, H-3 and H-6), four doublet protons at δ_H 6.87 ($J = 8.3$ Hz, H-4 and H-5) and δ_H 6.76 ($J = 8.3$ Hz, H-2 and H-7). Quaternary carbon of C-1 and C-8 at

δ_C 161.3 showed correlations with 1- and 8-hydroxyproton (δ_H 11.79) confirmed the hydroxyl group was placed at C-3 and C-8 of xanthone nucleus (Figure 22).

1.5 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthene-9-one (34)

Compound **34** showed m/z 243 $[M-H]^-$ in its ESIMS spectrum which corresponded to a molecular formula of $C_{13}H_8O_5$. Its 1H -NMR spectrum showed the aromatic protons similar to that of compound **32** in ring A. In addition, H-2 and H-4 were exhibited two singlets at δ_H 6.33 and 6.15, respectively. In HMBC spectrum, quaternary carbon at δ 164.2 (C-6) showed correlations at δ 6.87 (H-7), 6.80 (H-5) and 7.95 (H-8). Moreover, quaternary carbon of C-3 at δ_C 165.1 also showed correlations with δ_{H-4} 6.33 and δ_{H-2} 6.15, that confirmed the structure for 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthene-9-one (Figure 23).

1.6 1,3,8-trihydroxyxanthene-9-one (35)

Compound **35** showed m/z 243.7 $[M-H]^-$ in its ESIMS spectrum which corresponded to a molecular formula of $C_{13}H_8O_5$. Its 1H -NMR spectrum at ring B showed the aromatic protons similar to that of compound **31**. The aromatic proton of ring A exhibited a triplet at δ_H 7.65 (J = 8.4 Hz, H-6) and two doublets at δ_H 6.95 (J = 8.4 Hz, H-5) and 6.75 (J = 8.1 Hz, H-7). Quaternary carbon of C-8 at δ_C 160.3 showed correlations with 8-hydroxy proton (δ_H 11.76) and three protons of H-5, 7 and 6 in HMBC spectrum. In addition, the HMBC correlation of quaternary carbon at δ 166.6 (C-3) with H-4 (δ_H 6.35) and H-2 (δ_H 6.20) confirmed the hydroxyl group was placed at C-3 in xanthone nucleus (Figure 24).

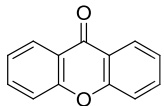
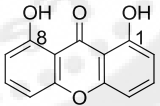
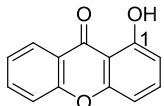
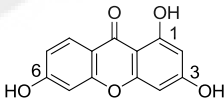
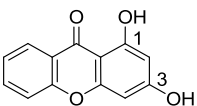
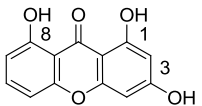
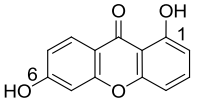
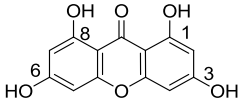
1.6 1,3,6,8-tetrahydroxyxanthene-9-one (36)

Compound **36** showed m/z 259.6 $[M-H]^-$ in its ESIMS spectrum which corresponded to a molecular formula of $C_{13}H_8O_6$. Its 1H -NMR spectrum of compound **36** showed two chelated hydroxyl protons similar as a compound **33**. The aromatic proton showed two singlets at δ_H 6.30 (2H, H-4 and H-5) and 6.15 (2H, H-2 and H-7). Quaternary carbon of C-1 and C-8 displayed the same chemical shift at δ_C 162.0 showed the HMBC correlations with the OH-1 and OH-8 groups

at δ_{H} 11.88. Moreover, C-3 and C-6 at δ_{C} 165.8 exhibited the correlations with H-4 and 5 in its HMBC spectrum confirmed the structure (Figure 25).

All synthesized compounds **30-36** including a commercially available non-hydroxylated xanthone **29** were evaluated for CFTR inhibitory activity on human intestinal epithelial (T84) cell and FRT cells by short circuit current analysis. It was found that at concentration 100 μM of **29-36** inhibited on db-cAMP-induced Cl^- secretion by 5, 8, 12, 16, 20, 52, 30 and 42 %, respectively, as shown in Table 1. Among the compound tested, 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthone-9-one (**34**) was the highest activity with 52 % inhibition. The presence of the hydroxyl groups at positions 1, 3 and 6 on xanthone scaffold in **34** was crucial for increasing inhibitory activity, as compared with those on other positions of the monohydroxylation (as in 1-hydroxyxanthone, **30**), dihydroxylation (as in 1,3-, 1,6- and 1,8-dihydroxyxanthones, **31-33**), trihydroxylation (as in 1,3,8-trihydroxyxanthone, **35**), and tetrahydroxylation (as in 1,3,6,8-tetrahydroxyxanthone, **36**), including the non-hydroxylated compounds **29**.

Table 1. The percent of CFTR inhibition (μM) of compounds **29-36**

Structure	% CFTR inhibition at 100 μM	IC_{50} (μM)	Structure	% CFTR inhibition at 100 μM	IC_{50} (μM)
	5	>500		20	200-500
29			33		
	8	>500		52	~100
30			34		
	12	>500		30	100-200
31			35		
	16	>500		42	~100
32			36		

Therefore, 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthone-9-one (**34**) was selected for characterization for its mechanisms of action as well as potential application in the anti-secretory therapy for cholera. Dose-inhibition study in T84 cell monolayer showed that compound **34** dose-dependently inhibited the db-cAMP induced Cl^- secretion with an IC_{50} of $\sim 100 \mu\text{M}$ and complete inhibition at $500 \mu\text{M}$ (Fig 17A and 17B)

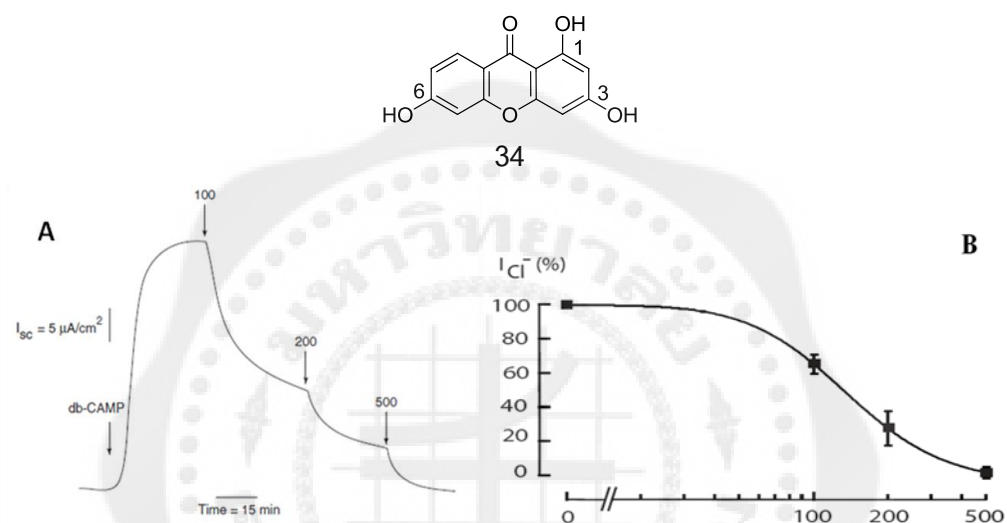


Figure 17 (A). Effect of 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthone (**34**) on cAMP-activated Cl^- by apical chloride current measurements in FRT-CFTR. (B). Dose-inhibition study in T84 cell monolayers showed that the most potent activity of compound **34** at $500 \mu\text{M}$.

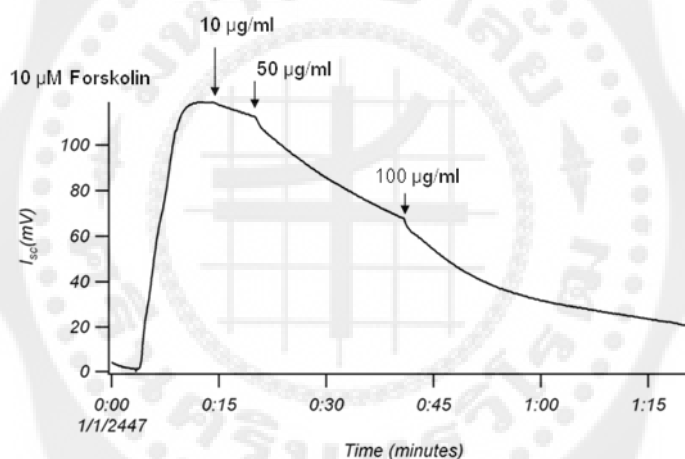
2. Preparation of *G. mangostana* pericarp extracts and evaluation for their CFTR inhibitory activity

Mangosteen or *G. mangostana* has long been used to treat diarrheal illness in traditional medicine (Pedraza-Chaverri 2008; 3227-3339). Flavonoids (**13-19**), tannin (**20**), oligomeric proanthocyanidin (**22-28**) including hydroxyxanthones (as described above) have been reported as CFTR inhibitors (**34**). Prenylated xanthones, tannin, anthocynin and proanthrocyanin are major chemicals found in pericarp (**14**). However, the effect of mangosteen pericarp extract on Cl^- secretion has never been investigated. The present study was therefore conducted to investigate the effect of the extract on cAMP-activated Cl^- secretion.

Mangosteen fruit is composed of 65% of pericarp, 31% of flesh and 4% of cap (Chaovanalikit et al.2012; 1047-1053). The dried pericarp without cap of *G. mangostana* was selected for extraction with different polar solvents of water, ethanol, acetone, 60% ethanol-water and 60% acetone-water. Five respective crude extracts (**E1**, **E2**, **E3**, **E4** and **E7**) were obtained as shown in Table 2. All crude extracts were submitted for CFTR inhibitory activity evaluations on T84 cell and FRT cells by short circuit current analysis. The results showed that at concentration 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ only the crude extract **E4** (60% ethanol-water) inhibited on db-cAMP-induced Cl^- secretion by 60 % (Figure 18), where as other extracts were inactive under the same screening, as shown in table 2. Further investigation to search for the active component was performed. The active extract was thus fractionated with CH_2Cl_2 -water to give a CH_2Cl_2 (**E5**) and an aqueous (**E6**) fractions and their ^1H NMR spectra were depicted in figure 26 and 27, respectively. Unfortunately, both fractions were also inactive on cAMP-activated Cl^- secretion screening. ^1H -NMR data analysis of the CH_2Cl_2 fraction was proved to be a mixture of prenylated xanthenes (Figure 26). α -Mangostin, the major xanthone of mangosteen pericarp also found inactive under the same test, this could be accounted for inactivity of the CH_2Cl_2 fraction. Water soluble compounds like anthocynin and proanthrocyanin are also major chemicals found in fruit pericarp and have been reported as CFTR inhibitors. The inactivity of the aqueous phase, however, remained unclear at this stage. Further chemical investigation of the aqueous extract is recommended which might clarify for such inactivity.

Table 2. *G. mangostana* pericarp extracts and their CFTR inhibitory activity evaluations

Extract	Appearance	Weight (%)	% inhibition
water extract (E1)	red solid	2.25 g (11 %)	inactive
95% ethanol extract (E2)	yellow-brown solid	2.75 g (13 %)	inactive
acetone extract (E3)	yellow-brown solid	2.52 g (12 %)	inactive
60% ethanol-water extract (E4)	red-brown solid	2.02 g (10 %)	60
- CH ₂ Cl ₂ fraction (E5)	yellow solid	0.52 g	inactive
- aqueous fraction (E6)	red solid	0.72 g	inactive
60% acetone-water extract (E7)	yellow-brown	1.61 g (8 %)	inactive

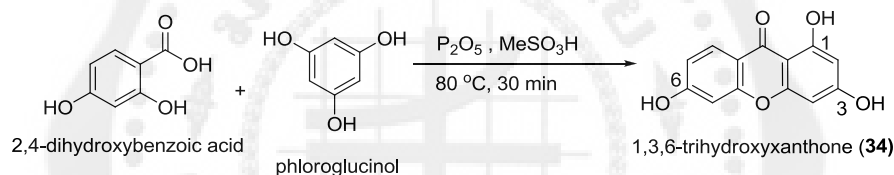
Figure 18 Effect of the 60% ethanol-water extract (E4) on cAMP-activated Cl⁻ by apical chloride current measurements in FRT-CFTR.

CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSION

1. CFTR Inhibitory activity of hydroxyxanthen-9-one derivatives (30-36)

CFTR inhibitor is a target for treatment as anti-secretory diarrhea. In this study, a series of hydroxyxanthen-9-one derivatives (30-36) were synthesized in 2-71 % yields from an oxidative coupling reaction between the corresponding *o*-hydroxybenzoic acids and activated phenols. All synthesized compounds were evaluated as potential inhibitors of CFTR by short circuit current analysis. Among tested compounds, 1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthone (**34**) was the most effective CFTR inhibitor with 52 % inhibition at 100 μ M and an IC_{50} value of ~ 100 μ M.



For the structure activity relationship study, the presence of the hydroxyl groups at positions 1, 3 and 6 on the xanthone scaffold in **34** was crucial for increasing inhibitory activity, as compared with other xanthenes bearing hydroxyl groups on other positions. This is the first report on hydroxyxanthenes act as CFTR inhibitor. Hydroxyxanthenes represent another class of polyphenols which might be prospect for future development of pharmacotherapy for cholera.

2. CFTR inhibitory activity of extracts obtained from the dried pericarp of mangosteen

In Thai folk medicine, the dried fruit pericarp of *G. mangostana* has been long used for treating diarrhea. However, the effect of mangosteen pericarp extract on Cl^- secretion has never been investigated. The present study was therefore conducted to investigate the effect of the mangosteen extract on cAMP-activated Cl^- secretion. Thus five mangosteen pericarp extracts were prepared from the dried fruit pericarp by using different polarity of solvents. All crude

extracts were evaluated for CFTR inhibitory activity on T84 cell and FRT cells by short circuit current analysis. The results showed that at concentration 50 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ only the 60% ethanol-water extract (E4) inhibited on db-cAMP-induced Cl^- secretion by 60 %, where as other extracts were inactive under the same screening. Following fractionating of the active extract with CH_2Cl_2 -water system, unfortunately, the resulting CH_2Cl_2 and aqueous fractions were also inactive on cAMP-activated Cl^- secretion screening.





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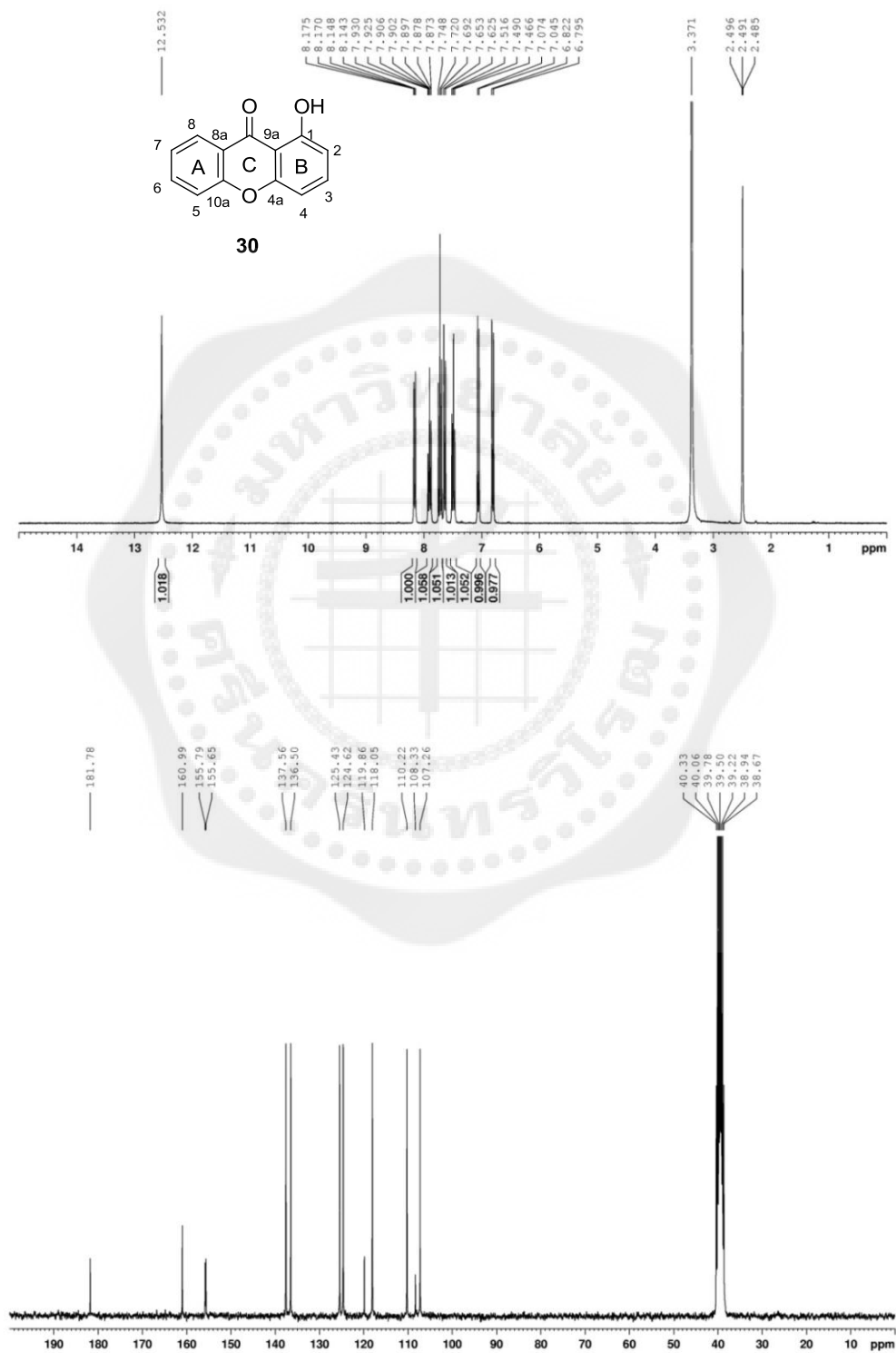
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APPENDIXES

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NMR spectrum

Figure 19 ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectrum of 1-hydroxythioxanthen-9-one (30) in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$

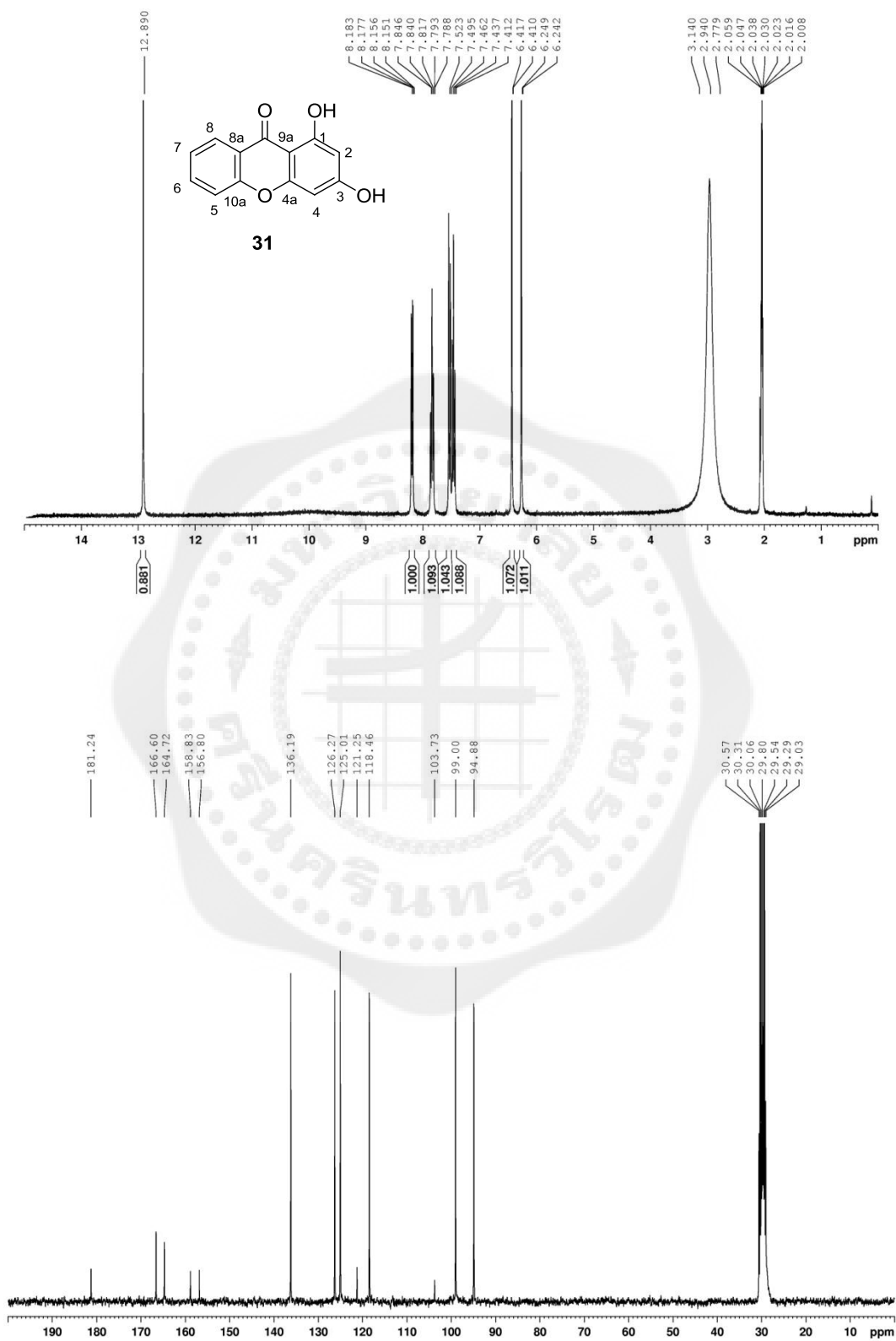


Figure 20 ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectra of 1,3-dihydroxyxanthen-9-one (31) in $\text{Acetone-}d_6$

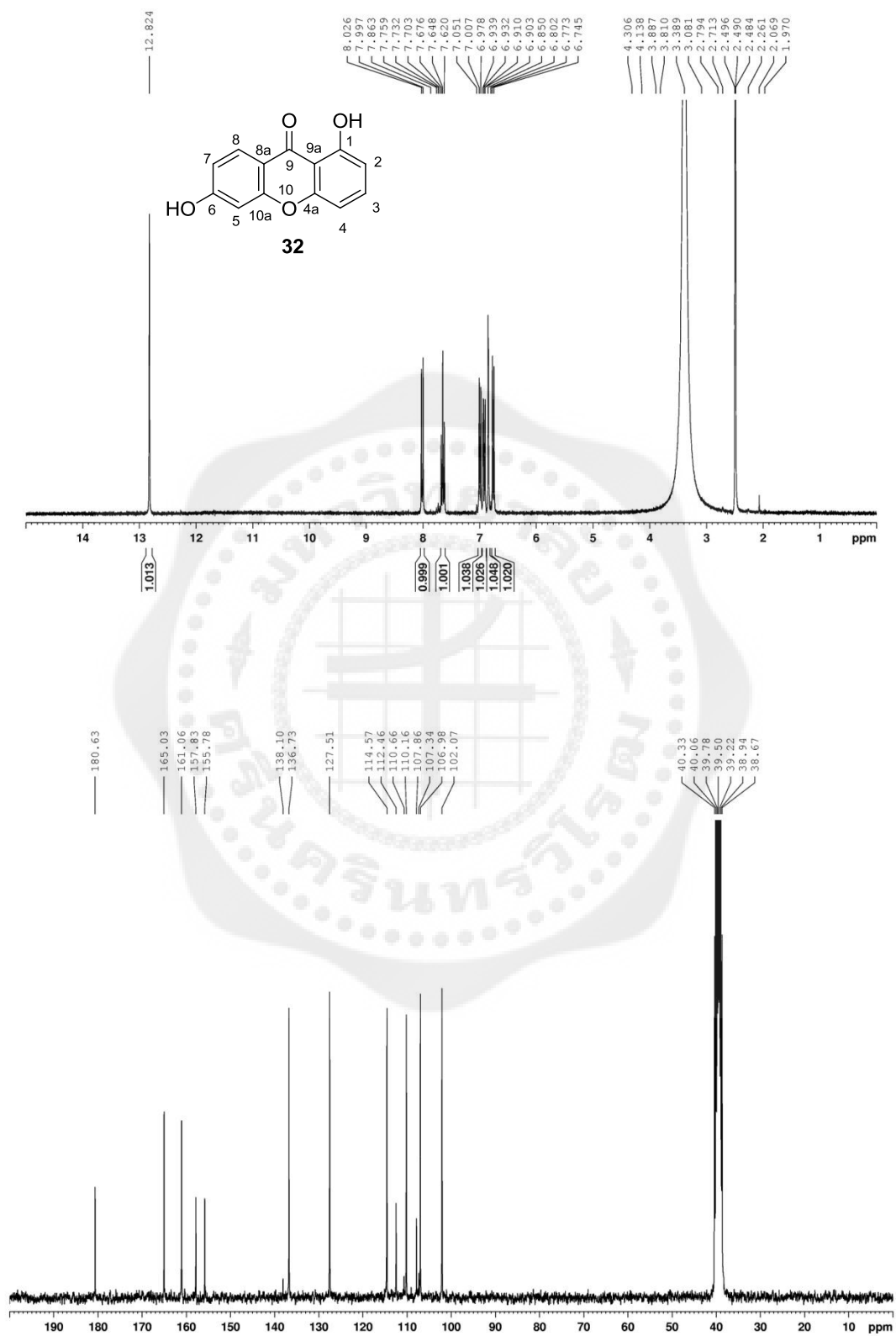


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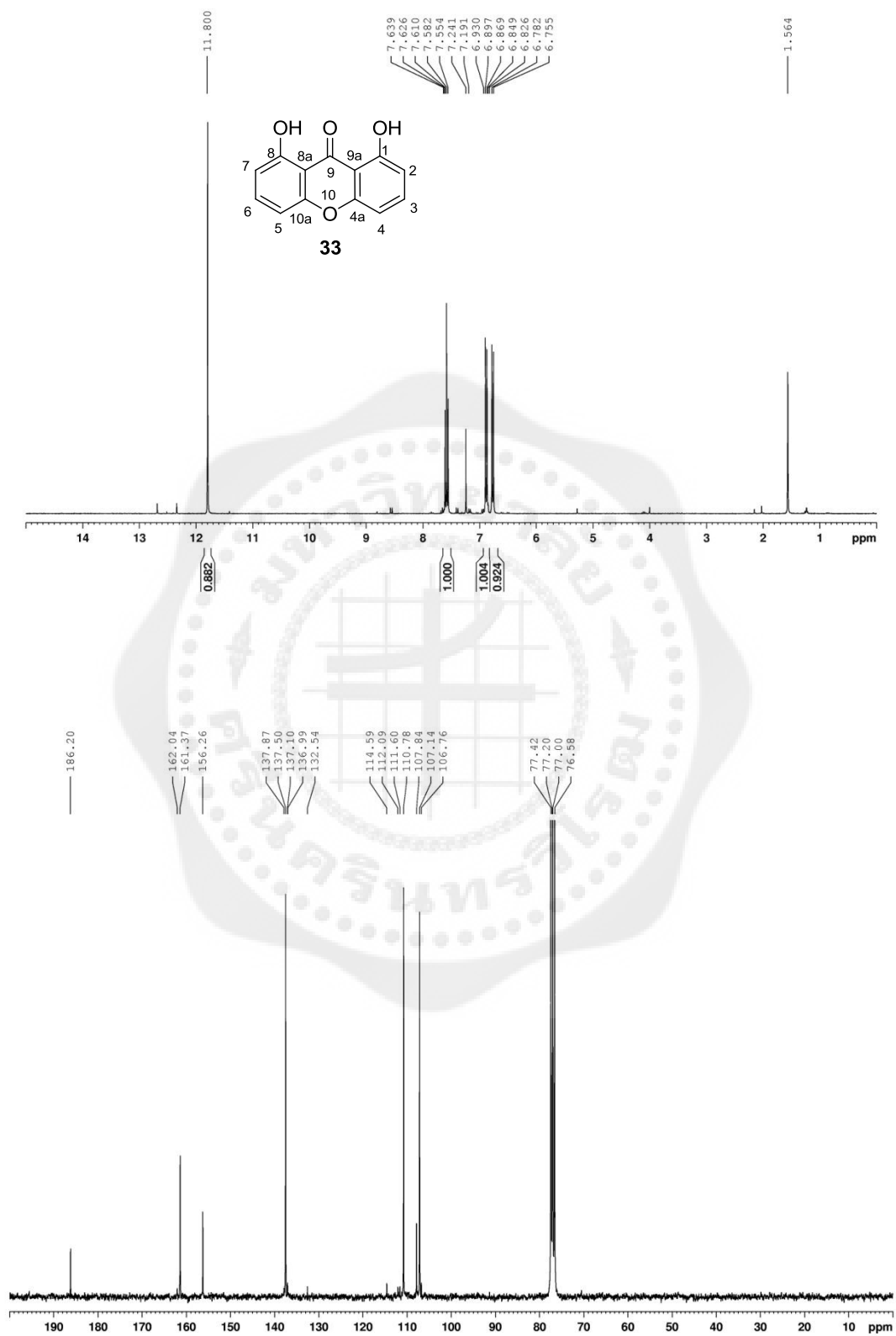


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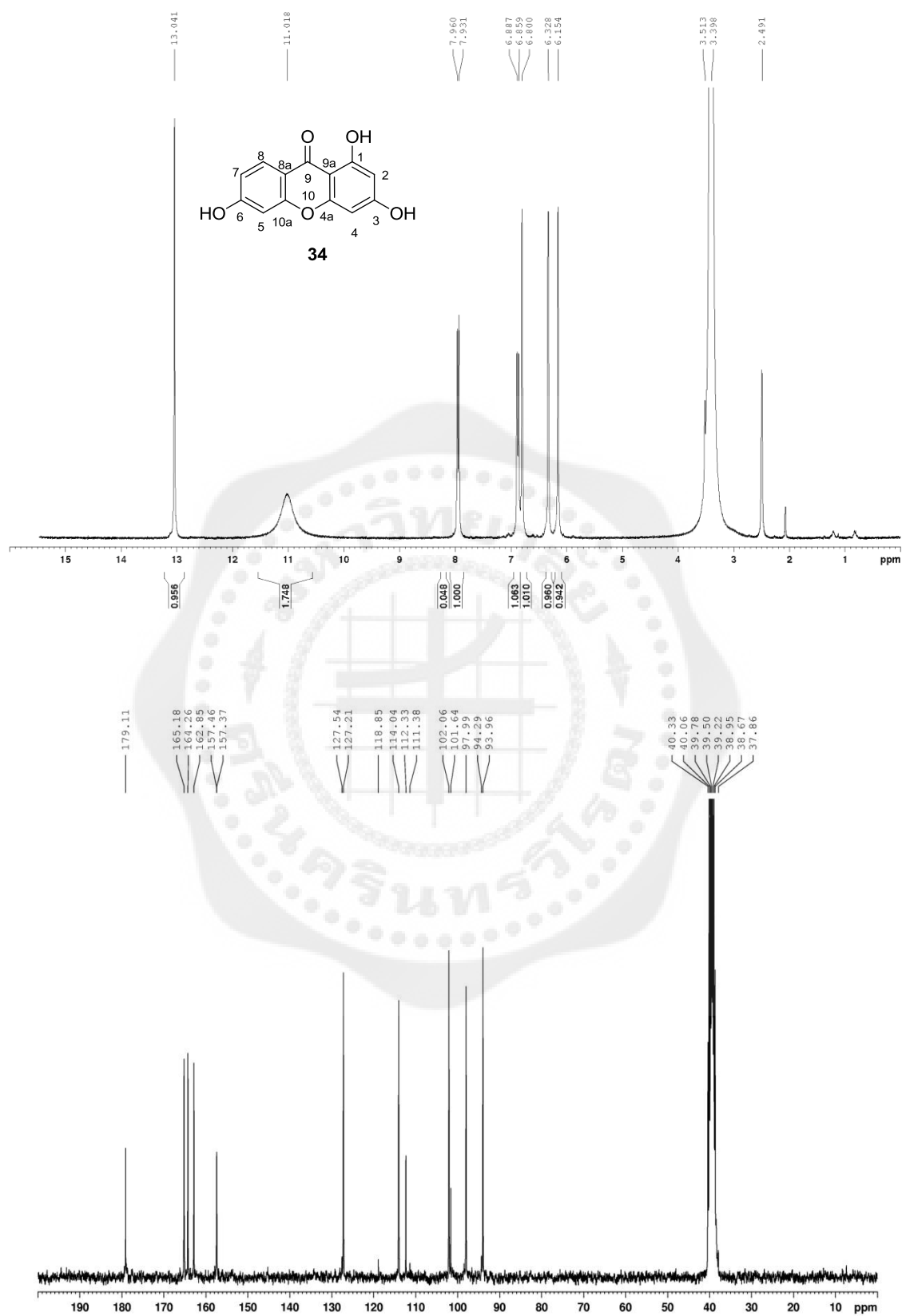


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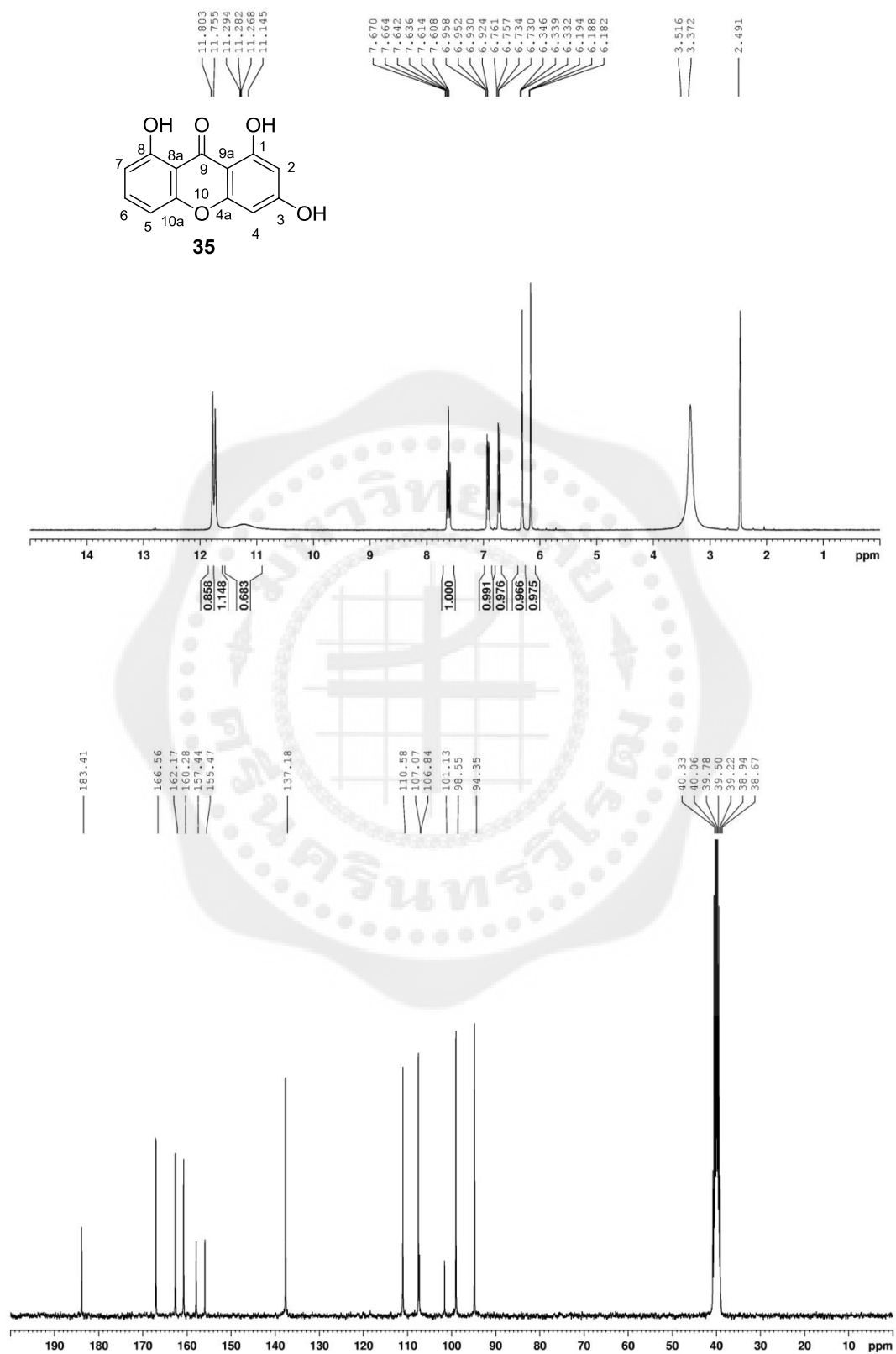


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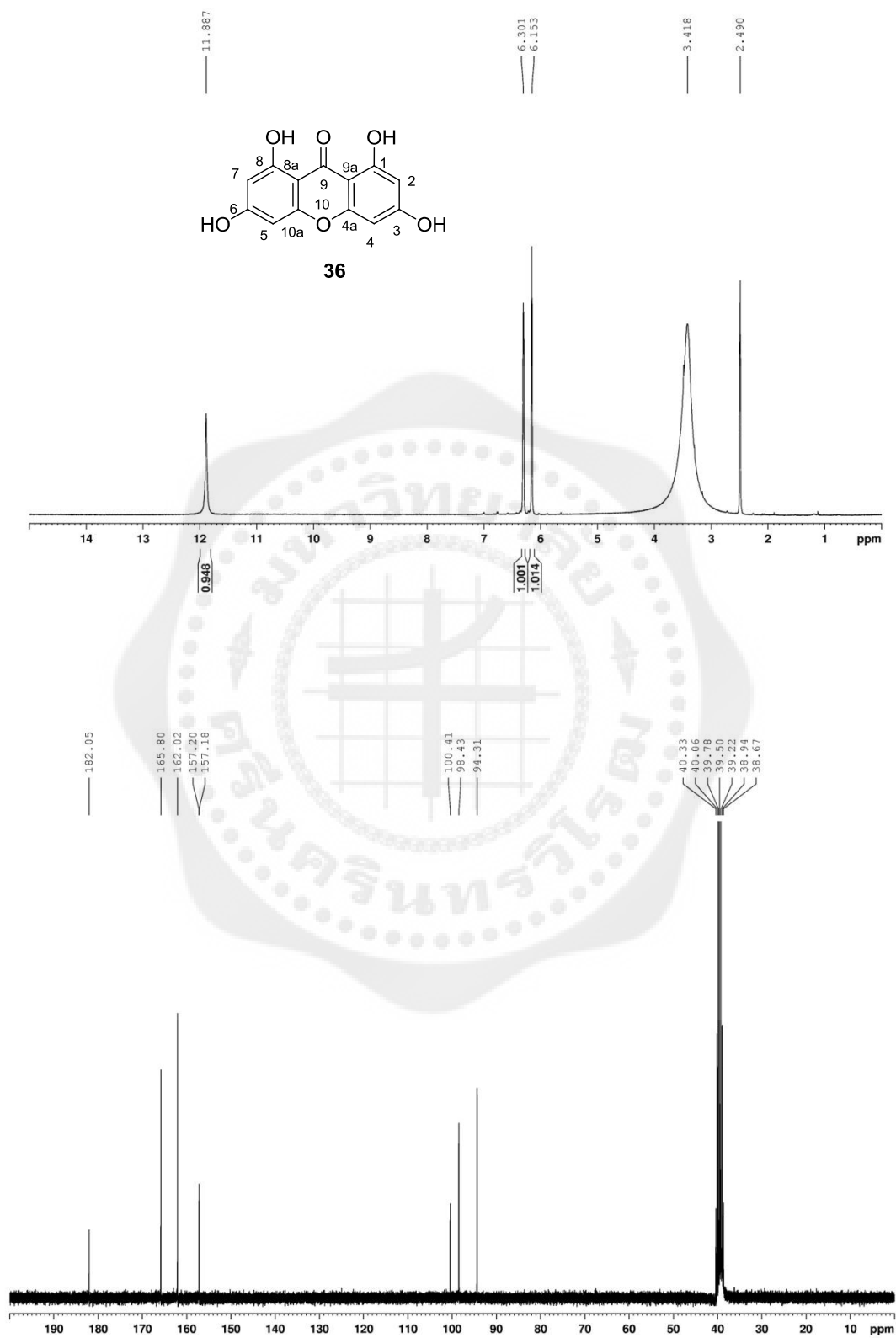


Figure 25 ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectra of 1,3,6,8-tetrahydroxyxanthen-9-one (36) in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$

¹H NMR spectrum of compound 10a in CDCl₃. The spectrum shows peaks from 0 to 8 ppm. Key features include a broad peak at ~7.2 ppm (3.29H), a multiplet at ~4.5 ppm (3.18H), a complex multiplet between 3.0-4.0 ppm (11.66H, 4.10H, 10.38H, 9.45H, 1.69H), and a multiplet at ~1.2 ppm (0.49H, 1.02H). Integration values are shown below the baseline.

Figure 27 ^1H -NMR spectrum of the aqueous fraction (**E6**) in CD_3OD



LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

ABC transporter	=	ATP-binding cassette transporter
ADP	=	Adenosine diphosphate
ATP	=	Adenosine triphosphate
CFTRact-09	=	8-Bromo-6-methyl-2,3,4,9-tetrahydro-1H-carbazol-1-one
^{13}C NMR	=	Carbon-13 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
Cacc	=	Calicium-activated chloride channels
NS004	=	1-(5-chloro-2-hydroxyphenyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benzo[d]imidazol-2(3H)-one
CC	=	Column chromatography
IC_{50}	=	Concentration of drug required to inhibit enzyme activity by 50%
CFTR	=	Cystic fibrosis transmembrane conductance regulator
δ	=	Delta (Chemical shift for NMR data)
CD_3OD	=	Deuteriomethanol
CDCl_3	=	Deuteriochloroform
COSY	=	Correalation spectroscopy
DMSO-d_6	=	Dimethylsulfoxide- d_6
DPC	=	Diphenylamine-2-carboxylate
DEPT	=	Distortionless Enhancement by Polarization Transfer
d	=	Doublet (for NMR data)
dd	=	Doublet of doublets (for NMR data)
dt	=	Doublet of triplets (for NMR data)
ESI MS	=	Electrospray ionization mass spectra
DQC	=	Ethyl-2-(4-oxo-3-o-tolyl-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2-ylthio)acetate
CFTRact-12	=	2-Ethyl-3-hydroxy-7,8,9,10-tetrahydro-6H-benzo[c]chromen-6-one
e.g.	=	For example

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (continued)

G	=	genistein
g	=	Gram
K_i	=	Haft-maximal inhibition
IC ₅₀	=	Half maximal Inhibitory Concentration
HMBC	=	¹ H-detected heteronuclear multiple bond coherence
HMQC	=	¹ H-detected heteronuclear multiple quantum coherence
MS	=	Mass spectrometry
m.p.	=	Melting point
m	=	Multiplet (for NMR data)
μg	=	Microgram
μL	=	Microliter
mg	=	Miligram
ml	=	Milliliter
GlyH-101	=	<i>N</i> -2-(naphthalenyl)-[(3,5-dibromo-2,4-dihydroxyphenyl)methylene]glycine hydrazine
nm	=	Nanometer
NMR	=	Nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy
NPPB	=	5-Nitro-2-(3-phenylpropylamino)-benzoic acid
NOESY	=	Nuclear overhauser effect spec
KBr	=	Potassium bromide
¹ H NMR	=	Proton nuclear magnetic resonance
UCCF-029	=	2-Pyridin-7,6-benzoflavone
q	=	Quartet (for NMR data)
s	=	Singlet (for NMR data)

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS (continued)

PGA	=	Tannic acid
CFTRinh-172	=	2-Thioxo-4-thiazolidone
TLC	=	Thin layer chromatography
UV	=	Ultraviolet
V	=	Voltage





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