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## Largamides A–C, Tiglic Acid-Containing Cyclodepsipeptides with Elastase-Inhibitory Activity from the Marine Cyanobacterium *Lyngbya confervoides*

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### Abstract

Three unusual tiglic acid-containing cyclodepsipeptides, possessing the revised regioisomeric structures for largamides A–C (**1–3**), have been isolated from the marine cyanobacterium *Lyngbya confervoides* collected from southeastern Florida. The two-dimensional structures were determined by NMR spectroscopy and the absolute configurations by chiral HPLC analysis of degradation products. Compounds **1–3** are moderate inhibitors of mammalian elastase activity *in vitro* with IC<sub>50</sub> values ranging from 0.53 to 1.41 μM.

### Keywords

Marine cyanobacteria; *Lyngbya confervoides*; cyclodepsipeptides; elastase

### Introduction

Marine cyanobacteria produce secondary metabolites with unusual structural features most commonly incorporated in a peptidic framework or in peptide–polyketide hybrids [1]. The presence of unconventional or highly modified amino acid units is a characteristic biosynthetic signature of cyanobacterial metabolites [1,2]. We initiated screening of various collections of marine cyanobacteria from coastal Florida with the aim of discovering novel protease inhibitors. A preliminary bioassay-guided fractionation of the organic extract of *Lyngbya confervoides* led us to identify several active fractions. Our systematic chemical investigations of the active fractions of *Lyngbya confervoides* that previously yielded the potent elastase and chymotrypsin inhibitors lyngbyastatins 4–6 [3,4], trypsin inhibitor pompanopeptin A [5], and putative carboxypeptidase inhibitor pompanopeptin B [5] now also yielded largamides A–C (**1–3**), along with largamides D–H [6]. Here we describe the isolation, biological evaluation and revision of the proposed structures of largamides A–C (**1–3**) [6]. The natural products were tested for inhibitory activity against three proteolytic enzymes, namely elastase, chymotrypsin and trypsin. Compounds **1–3** demonstrated moderate inhibition of porcine pancreatic elastase (PPE), but no activity against the other two serine proteases up to 50 μM.

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Supporting Information

<sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, and 1D TOCSY spectra of compounds **1–3** are available at <http://www.thieme-connect.de/ejournals/toc/plantamedica>.

Elastase is associated with tissue destruction and inflammation characteristic of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) such as emphysema. COPD is the fourth leading cause of death in the USA [7]. In a murine model of emphysema, PPE was capable of recruiting monocytes to the lung, increasing lung macrophage content to generate an inflammatory cell infiltrate [7]. PPE causes direct proteolytic injury to the lung and induces airspace enlargement; however, greater lesions develop related to subsequent endogenous inflammation and destruction [7]. Because of the critical role of elastase in inflammatory processes, elastase inhibitors might be of importance in the treatment of inflammation related syndromes.

## Materials and Methods

### General Experimental Procedures

Optical rotation was measured on a Perkin Elmer 341 polarimeter. UV spectra were recorded using a SpectraMax M5 (Molecular Devices).  $^1\text{H}$  and 2D NMR spectra were recorded in  $\text{DMF-}d_7$  on a Varian 500 MHz spectrometer operating at 500 MHz and 125 MHz using residual solvent signals as the internal standard ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  8.02,  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  162.7). HSQC experiments were optimized for  $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 145$  Hz, and HMBC experiments were optimized for  $^nJ_{\text{C,H}} = 7$  Hz. HRMS data were obtained using an Agilent LC-TOF mass spectrometer equipped with an APCI/ESI multimode ion source detector.

Porcine pancreatic elastase (Elastase-high purity; EC134) and *N*-succinyl-Ala-Ala-Ala-*p*-nitroanilide (NS945, purity >95%) were purchased from EPC, Missouri, USA. Trypsin from porcine pancreas (T0303, Type IX-S, 13,000–20,000 BAEE units/mg protein),  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin from bovine pancreas (C4129, Type II,  $\geq 40$  units/mg protein), *N*-succinyl-Gly-Gly-Phe-*p*-nitroanilide (S1899, purity >98%), *N*- $\alpha$ -benzoyl-DL-arginine 4-nitroanilide hydrochloride (B4874, purity  $\geq 98\%$ ), and PMSF (P7626, purity  $\geq 98.5\%$ ) were procured from Sigma, USA. All other reagents and solvents used were of reagent grade or HPLC grades.

### Biological material

Samples of *Lyngbya confervoides* were collected off the coast of Broward County (Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA (26°01.1414'N, 80°05.9973'W; 26°15.134'N, 80°03.908'W) in July 2004 and August 2005. S. Golubic identified the cyanobacterium [8]. A voucher specimen is retained at the Smithsonian Marine Station.

### Extraction and Isolation

The freeze-dried sample (539.7 g) of *Lyngbya confervoides* was extracted with EtOAc–MeOH (1:1) and EtOH–H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) to afford VPL–NP (78.8 g) and VPL–P (113.8 g), respectively. The crude extracts VPL–NP (26.6 g) and VPL–P (95.9 g) were then combined, suspended in H<sub>2</sub>O (500 mL) and defatted with hexanes (300 mL  $\times$  3; 0.67 g). The dried aqueous layer (~118 g) was further partitioned between *n*-BuOH (250 mL  $\times$  3) and H<sub>2</sub>O to afford *n*-BuOH extract (6.3 g) and an aqueous extract (~110 g) enriched with salt. The concentrated *n*-BuOH extract was applied on a column packed with diaion HP-20 (Supelco) polymeric resin (60 g), fractionated with H<sub>2</sub>O and increasing concentrations of MeOH, and then with MeCN to yield 7 fractions [Fr. 1: H<sub>2</sub>O (100%, 2 L, ~3 g); Fr. 2: H<sub>2</sub>O–MeOH (75:25 and 50:50), 2 L, 350 mg); Fr. 3: H<sub>2</sub>O–MeOH (25:75, 1 L, 175 mg); Fr. 4: H<sub>2</sub>O:MeOH (25:75, 1 L, 155 mg); Fr. 5: H<sub>2</sub>O:MeOH (25:75, 1 L, 368 mg); Fr. 6: MeOH (100%, 1 L, 496 mg); Fr. 7: MeCN (100%, 1 L, 162 mg)]. The fractions (Fr. 5 and Fr. 6) were subjected to reversed-phase preparative HPLC [Phenomenex Luna 10u (C18), 100  $\times$  21.20 mm, 10.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 and 240 nm, using a MeOH–H<sub>2</sub>O linear gradient (30–100% over 40 min and then 100% MeOH for 10 min)]. Fractions eluted with  $t_{\text{R}}$  16–23 min (58–70% MeOH) were then subjected to repeated semi-preparative reversed-phase HPLC (YMC-Pack ODS-AQ, 250  $\times$  10 mm, 2.0 mL/min; UV detection at 220 and 240 nm) using a 0.05% TFA in MeOH (60–90% for 25 min, then 90–

100% for 10 min and finally 100% MeOH for 10 min), to give largamide A (**1**),  $t_R$  21.0 min (1.2 mg), largamide B (**2**),  $t_R$  18.5 min (5.0 mg), and largamide C (**3**),  $t_R$  20.5 min (1.8 mg).

**Largamide A (1):** colorless, amorphous solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$   $-55$  ( $c$  0.12, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  ( $\log \epsilon$ ) 220 (4.34), 280 (3.32) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3317 (br), 2959, 2924, 1725, 1659 (br), 1548, 1443, 1204  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR,  $^{13}C$  NMR, and HMBC data, see Table 1; HR-ESI/APCI-MS  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  842.4303 (calcd for  $C_{41}H_{60}N_7O_{12}$ , 842.4300).

**Largamide B (2):** colorless, amorphous solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$   $-43$  ( $c$  0.12, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  ( $\log \epsilon$ ) 220 (4.09), 280 (3.09) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3331 (br), 2958, 2923, 1721, 1656, 1640, 1597 (br), 1461  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR,  $^{13}C$  NMR, and HMBC data, see Table 2; HR-ESI/APCI-MS  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  920.4404 (calcd for  $C_{46}H_{62}N_7O_{13}$ , 920.4406).

**Largamide C (3):** colorless, amorphous solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$   $-46$  ( $c$  0.11, MeOH); UV (MeOH)  $\lambda_{max}$  ( $\log \epsilon$ ) 220 (4.27), 280 (2.97) nm; IR (film)  $\nu_{max}$  3318 (br), 2967, 2924, 1725, 1662, 1641, 1597 (br), 1465  $cm^{-1}$ ;  $^1H$  NMR,  $^{13}C$  NMR, and HMBC data, see Table 2; HR-ESI/APCI-MS  $m/z$   $[M + H]^+$  934.4559 (calcd for  $C_{47}H_{64}N_7O_{13}$ , 934.4562).

### Absolute Configuration

Compounds **1**, **2**, and **3** (0.1 mg each) were treated with 6 N HCl (0.3 mL) and heated at 110 °C for 24 h. The hydrolyzates were evaporated to dryness and the residue resuspended in H<sub>2</sub>O (100  $\mu$ L) and then subjected to chiral HPLC analysis (Phenomenex, Chirex 3126 *N,S*-dioctyl-(D)-penicillamine, 250 mm  $\times$  4.60 mm, 5  $\mu$ m; solvent, 2 mM CuSO<sub>4</sub>-MeCN, 95:5); UV detection 254 nm; flow rate 1.0 mL/min). The retention times of amino acids in the hydrolyzates were compared with those of authentic standards. The retention times for the standards were as follows ( $t_R$ , min): L-Ala (6.8), D-Ala (8.5), L-Thr (7.2), L-*allo*-Thr (9.4), D-Thr (8.0), D-*allo*-Thr (9.4), L-Val (17.2), D-Val (22.2), L-Tyr (53.0), D-Tyr (60.5), L-Leu (47.0), D-Leu (58.0), L-Glu (53.0), and D-Glu (57.0). The hydrolyzates of **1–3** yielded peaks corresponding to L-Ala (6.8) and L-Thr (7.2), L-Val (17.2), D-Glu (57.0) and D-Tyr (60.5). The hydrolyzate of compound **1** also generated an additional peak ( $t_R$  47.0 min), thus verifying the presence of L-Leu.

Compounds **2** and **3** (0.1 mg each) were each dissolved in 3 mL of MeOH and ozone was bubbled through the solution at 25 °C for 30 min. The solvent was evaporated, and the products were suspended in H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-HCOOH (1:2) and heated for 20 min at 70 °C. Then the mixtures were concentrated to dryness and subjected to acid hydrolysis and chiral HPLC analysis as described above, confirming the presence of L-Ala, L-Val, L-Thr, and D-Glu in both compounds. An additional peak for D-Asp due to ozonolysis ( $t_R$  35.5 min; solvent, 2 mM CuSO<sub>4</sub>-MeCN, 95:5) must have originated from Tyr, indicating D configuration of Tyr in the parent molecules ( $t_R$  of L-Asp standard, 28.0 min). Furthermore, L-2-aminoadipic acid ( $t_R$  58.5 min; solvent, 2 mM CuSO<sub>4</sub>-MeCN, 95:5) and L-2-aminopimelic acid ( $t_R$  41.0 min; solvent, 2 mM CuSO<sub>4</sub>-MeCN, 90:10) were detected in the degradation product mixtures of compounds **2** and **3**, respectively. The corresponding D-isomers were not present. Retention times of standards ( $t_R$ , min) using the matching solvent systems: D-2-aminoadipic acid (84.0), D-2-aminopimelic acid (53.0).

### Serine Protease Inhibition Assays

Compounds **1–3** dissolved in DMSO were tested for serine protease-inhibitory activity against porcine pancreatic elastase,  $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin from bovine pancreas, or trypsin from porcine pancreas, in the presence of chromogenic substrates (*N*-succinyl-Ala-Ala-Ala-*p*-nitroanilide for elastase, *N*-succinyl-Gly-Gly-Phe-*p*-nitroanilide for chymotrypsin, *N*- $\alpha$ -benzoyl-DL-arginine 4-nitroanilide hydrochloride for trypsin). Activity was determined [3–5] by measuring

the increase in absorbance at 405 nm over 30 min in a microplate reader using phenylmethylsulfonyl fluoride (PMSF) and lyngbyastatin 4 (purity  $\geq 95\%$ )[3] as positive controls. All assays were performed in quadruplicate and the data were expressed as mean  $\pm$  S.D. and IC<sub>50</sub> values calculated.

## Results

The organic extract of *Lyngbya confervoides* collected near Ft. Lauderdale (Florida, USA) was subjected to HP-20 chromatography, crude reversed-phase fractionation and two HPLC purification steps to yield compounds **1–3** as colorless, amorphous solids. The planar structures of **1–3** (Figure 1) were determined by a combination of NMR (<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, COSY, 1D TOCSY, ROESY, HSQC, and HMBC) spectroscopic analysis and mass spectrometry as described below.

Compound **1** gave a [M + H]<sup>+</sup> peak at  $m/z$  842.4303 in the HR-ESI/APCI-MS, which, combined with <sup>13</sup>C NMR data, suggested a molecular formula of C<sub>41</sub>H<sub>59</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>12</sub>. A detailed <sup>1</sup>H NMR, COSY, HSQC and HMBC analysis in DMF-*d*<sub>7</sub> (Table 1) indicated that compound **1** was a heptapeptide, consisting of six regular amino acid units (alanine, valine, glutamic acid, tyrosine, threonine, leucine) and one modified amino acid moiety, 2-amino-2-butenic acid (Abu). Remaining <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals for two deshielded methyl groups ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  1.80 and 1.71) and one olefinic methine proton ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  6.42) could be rationalized by an additional carboxylic acid residue, 2-methyl-2-butenic acid, supported by COSY and HMBC data. In particular, signal multiplicity (qq) and coupling constants (7.0 and 1.0 Hz) for the olefinic methine proton H-3 ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  6.42) were indicative of vicinal and allylic coupling to two methyl groups. Lack of a ROESY correlation between both the 2-methyl group resonating at  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  1.80 and the methine resonating at  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  6.42 within this carboxylic acid unit in combination with a weak ROESY correlations between both methyl groups ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  1.71, 1.80) indicated *E* configuration and thus the trivial name tiglic acid (Tig) for this unit. The geometry of the Abu unit was deduced as *Z* based on an NOE between the Abu NH ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  10.16) and Abu methyl group ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  1.76). HMBC supported by ROESY correlations unambiguously established the linear sequence of the amino acid units and tiglic acid moiety. The cyclic depsipeptide core was proposed due to the low-field shift of the Thr  $\beta$  proton ( $\delta_{\text{H}}$  5.37) indicative of an ester functionality which involved the C-terminal leucine moiety, consistent with weak ROESY correlations between both units (Thr  $\delta_{\text{H-2}}$  4.74 and Leu  $\delta_{\text{H-2}}$  4.67). Furthermore, an absorption at  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  1725 cm<sup>-1</sup> characteristic of an ester carbonyl stretching vibration was observed in the IR spectrum of **1** in addition to the strong amide stretching bands for peptides ( $\nu_{\text{max}}$  1659 cm<sup>-1</sup>), supporting the proposed planar structure.

An [M + H]<sup>+</sup> peak at  $m/z$  920.4404 in the HR-ESI/APCI-MS of **2** in conjunction with <sup>13</sup>C NMR data suggested a molecular formula of C<sub>46</sub>H<sub>61</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>13</sub> for compound **2**. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum indicated that compound **2** is closely related to **1**. Further NMR analysis (<sup>1</sup>H, COSY, HSQC, HMBC, ROESY) as carried out for **1** and additional 1D TOCSY experiments in DMF-*d*<sub>7</sub> (Figure 2) revealed the presence of eight spin systems as for **1**, except that the leucine moiety was replaced by a 2-amino-5-(4'-hydroxy-phenyl)pentanoic acid (Ahppa) residue (Table 2).

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3** was virtually identical to the one of **2**. HR-ESI/APCI-MS analysis for compound **3** provided an [M + H]<sup>+</sup> peak at  $m/z$  934.4559, suggesting a molecular formula of C<sub>47</sub>H<sub>63</sub>N<sub>7</sub>O<sub>13</sub> and thus that compound **3** differs from **2** only by the presence of an additional methylene group. Closer inspection of NMR data revealed that the Ahppa unit was homologated to a 2-amino-5-(4'-hydroxy-phenyl)hexanoic acid (Ahpha) unit in **3** (Table 2), in agreement with the molecular formula requirements. HMBC analysis verified the units' connectivity and the proposed planar structure.

The absolute configuration of all amino acid units in compounds **1–3** was deduced by chiral HPLC analysis of the acid hydrolysis products, revealing D configuration for glutamic acid and tyrosine and L configuration for all other usual amino acids. For compounds **2** and **3**, additionally, acid hydrolysis was preceded by ozonolysis with oxidative work-up, thereby allowing us to detect 2-aminoadipic acid and 2-aminopimelic acid instead of Ahppa and Ahpha, respectively, to take advantage of commercially available standards. This analysis confirmed that L-Leu in **1** was replaced by L-Ahppa in **2** and L-Ahpha in **3**.

Compounds **1–3** were tested for serine protease-inhibitory activity. They showed moderate activity against porcine pancreatic elastase activity *in vitro* in a dose-dependent manner with IC<sub>50</sub> values of 1.41 ± 0.28, 0.53 ± 0.19, and 1.15 ± 0.46 μM, respectively. To largely eliminate the possibility that the elastase activity is due to trace amounts of the potent inhibitors lyngbyastatins 4, 5, or 6, [3,4] compounds **1–3** were repeatedly purified by HPLC without loss of activity. Compounds **1–3** were inactive against trypsin and chymotrypsin (tested up to 50 μM). They also did not affect the viability of any of the cancer cell lines tested (HT29, U2OS, IMR-32) for growth inhibitory activity.

## Discussion

A tiglic acid moiety present as a key feature in **1–3** had not been previously described in a cyanobacterial metabolite; however, it has been found in the bacterial metabolite cytosaminomycin D from *Streptomyces* sp. KO-8119 [9]. It is commonly encountered in higher plants [10] where it is presumably biosynthesized from isoleucine [11]. However, compounds **1–3** differ from largamides A–C, recently isolated from an *Oscillatoria* sp. from Key Largo (Florida), only by the presence of the tiglic acid instead of the senecioic acid residue [6]. The physical description of the largamide-producing cyanobacterium closely matches the morphology and appearance of the organism we have been investigating. Close inspection and comparison of NMR data in DMF-*d*<sub>7</sub>, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> and CD<sub>3</sub>OD (Supporting Information) with those reported for largamides A–C in CD<sub>3</sub>OD and DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> [6] suggested that the senecioic acid residue in these compounds was assigned incorrectly, that compounds **1–3** and largamides A–C are identical [12] and that DMF-*d*<sub>7</sub> was a superior solvent since there was no signal overlap in the low-field region of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra. Furthermore, our collections yielded a common set of largamides (D–H) [6], while lyngbyastatins 4–6 and pompanopeptins A and B may be unique to our samples from the Ft. Lauderdale area [3–5]. This high secondary metabolite content of a single organism demonstrates the enormous biosynthetic potential of cyanobacteria.

The elastase-inhibitory activity of largamides A–C (**1–3**) is inferior to the activity of lyngbyastatins 4–6, which bear the 3-amino-6-hydroxy-2-piperidone (Ahp) residue critical for their serine protease-inhibitory activity [3–5]. Yet the largamide A–C core structure represents a new structural scaffold for elastase inhibition. Since numerous fatty acids have been shown to inhibit elastase [13], it is possible that the carboxylic acid moiety of the glutamic acid residue in largamides A–C (**1–3**) may play a role.

## Supplementary Material

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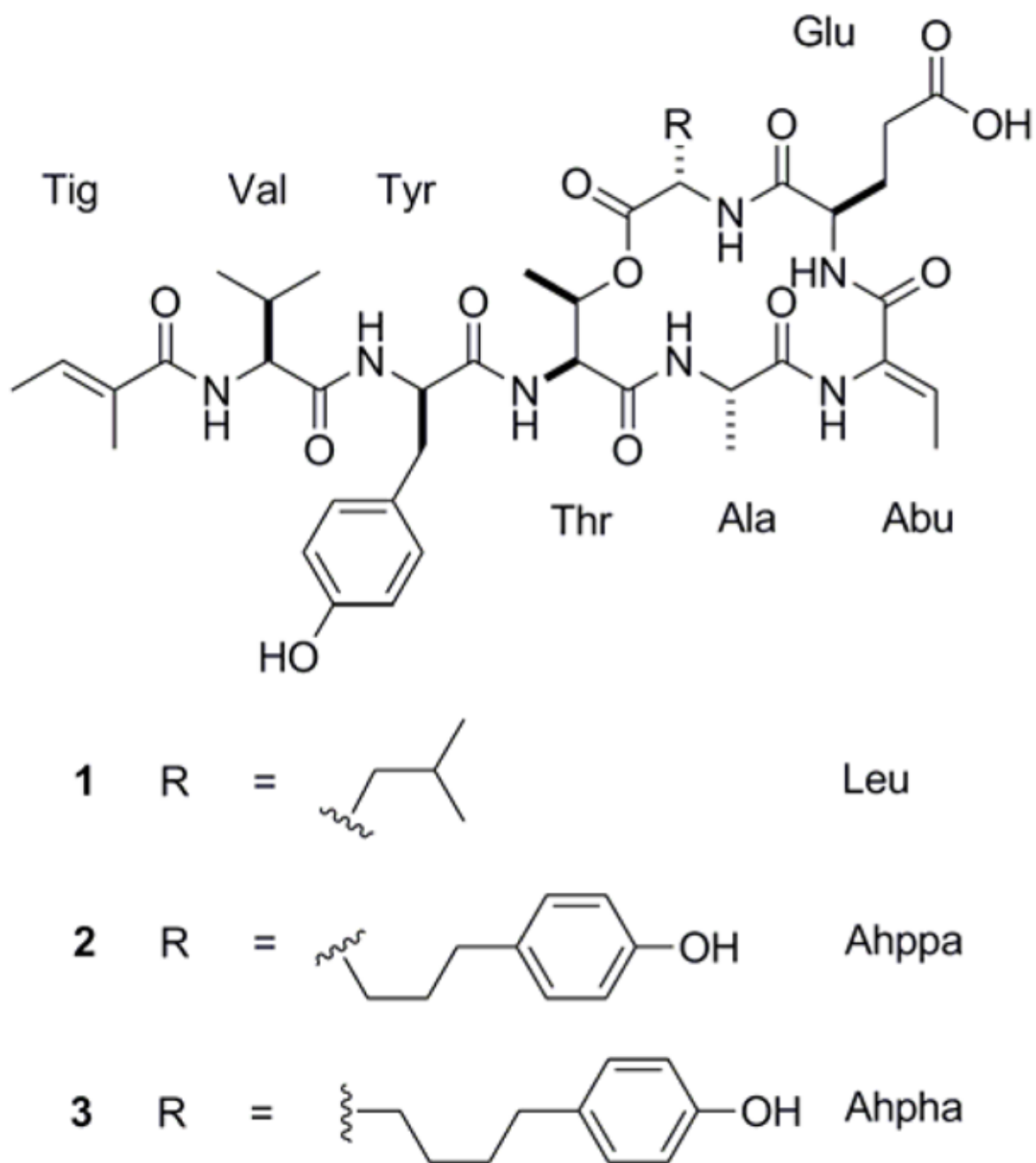
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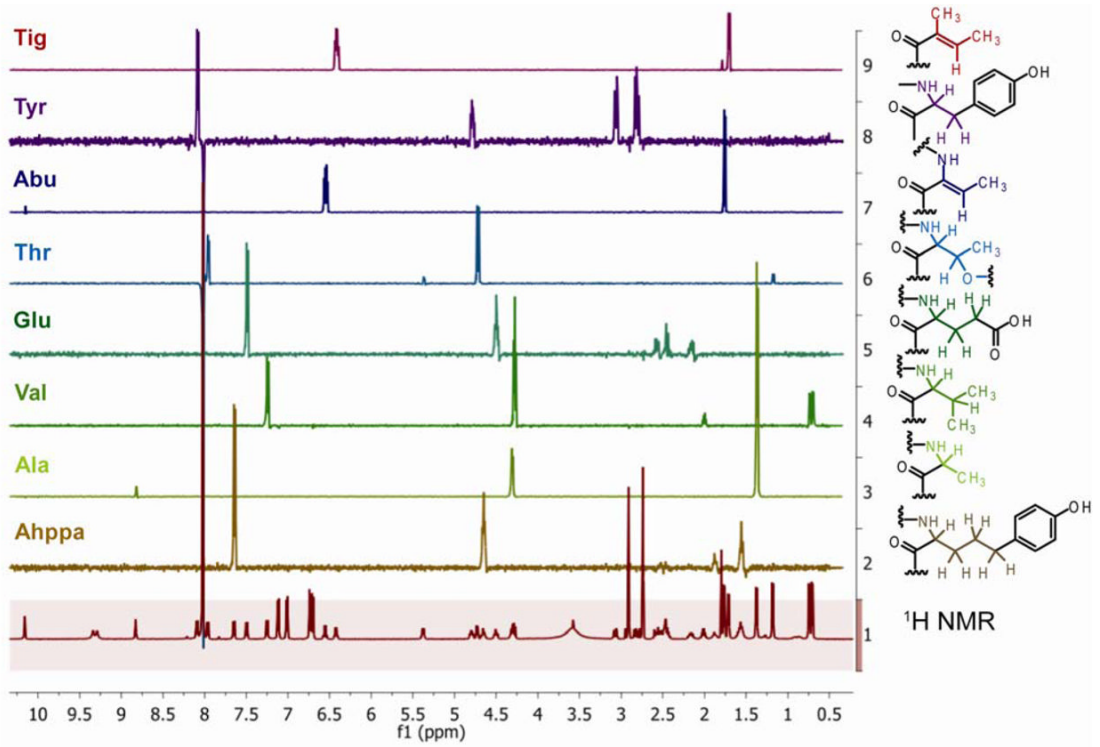
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**Fig. 1.**  
Structures of largamides A–C (1–3)



**Fig. 2.**  
 $^1\text{H}$  NMR (front) and 1D TOCSY spectra of largamide B (2) in  $\text{DMF-}d_7$ .



**Table 1**  
NMR data for largamide A (1) in DMF-*d*<sub>7</sub> (500 MHz)

Unit	C/H no.	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , mult.	HMBC <sup>a</sup>
Leu	1		172.0, qC	
	2	4.67, ddd (10.0, 9.5, 4.5)	49.8, CH	
	3	1.70, m	40.9, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 4
		1.49, m		
	4	1.58, m	24.8, CH	
	5	0.86, d (6.5)	23.6, CH <sub>3</sub>	3, 4, 6
	6	0.89, d (6.5)	21.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	3, 4, 5
	NH	7.62, d (9.5)		1 (Glu)
Glu	1		171.6, qC	
	2	4.51, ddd (9.5, 9.0, 4.5)	53.0, CH	1, 4
	3	2.53, m	27.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	5
		2.14, m		
	4	2.54, m	31.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	5
		2.42, m		
	5		175.2, qC	
	OH	not observed		
	NH	7.54, d (9.0)		1 (Abu)
Abu	1		164.0, qC	
	2		130.9, qC	
	3	6.54, q (7.0)	129.1, CH	1
	4	1.76, d (7.0)	12.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2, 3
		NH	10.16, s	
Ala	1		175.8, qC	
	2	4.33, qd (6.5, 2.5)	50.7, CH	1, 1 (Thr)
	3	1.38, d (6.5)	16.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2
		NH	8.83, d (2.5)	
Thr	1		170.3, qC	
	2	4.74, dd (8.5, 3.0)	55.8, CH	1, 1 (Tyr)
	3	5.37, qd (6.3, 3.0)	72.9, CH	4
	4	1.18, d (6.3)	16.1, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3
		NH	7.90, d (8.5)	
Tyr	1		172.7, qC	
	2	4.78, ddd (10.0, 9.5, 4.5)	55.9, CH	1, 4
	3	3.07, dd (-14.0, 4.5)	38.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 4, 5/9
		2.82, dd (-14.0, 10.0)		
	4		128.6, qC	
	5/9	7.12, d (8.5)	131.1, CH	7
	6/8	6.70, d (8.5)	115.6, CH	7
	7		157.1, qC	
	OH	9.34, s		7

Unit	C/H no.	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , mult.	HMBC <sup>a</sup>
	NH	8.10, br		1 (Val)
Val	1		171.9, qC	
	2	4.29, dd (9.0, 7.0)	59.3, CH	1, 3, 4, 5
	3	2.01, m	31.6, CH	2, 4, 5
	4	0.75, d (6.5)	19.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3
	5	0.72, d (6.5)	18.4, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3
	NH	7.26, brd (7.0)		1 (Tig)
Tig	1		169.3, qC	
	2		132.7, qC	
	3	6.42, qq (7.0, 1.0)	130.4, CH	1
	4	1.71, br d (7.0)	13.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3
	5	1.80, br s	12.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2, 3

<sup>a</sup>Protons showing long-range correlation with indicated carbon.

**Table 2**  
NMR data for largamides B (2) and C (3) in DMF-*d*<sub>7</sub> (500 MHz)

Unit	C/H no.	Largamide B (2)			Largamide C (3)		
		$\delta_{\text{H}}$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , mult.	HMBC <sup>d</sup>	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , mult.	HMBC <sup>d</sup>
Ahppa <sup>b</sup> /Alpha <sup>c</sup>	1		171.7, qC		171.7, qC		171.7, qC
	2	4.65, ddd (9.5, 9.5, 5.5)	51.1, CH	1, 3, 4	4.61, ddd (9.5, 9.0, 5.0)	51.2, CH	1, 3, 4, 4a
	3	1.88, m 1.56, m	31.2, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 4, 5	1.91, m 1.57, m	31.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	5
	4	1.60, m 1.58, m	27.9, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 3, 5, 6	1.36, m	25.6, CH <sub>2</sub>	
	4a <sup>c</sup>	–	–		1.47, m 1.53, m	32.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 3, 5
	5	2.56, m 2.48, m	34.7, CH <sub>2</sub>	3, 4, 6, 7	2.43, m	35.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	4, 4a, 6, 7/11
	6		133.1, qC			133.4, qC	
	7/11	7.01, d (8.5)	129.9, CH	5, 6, 8/10, 9	7.01, d (8.5)	129.7, CH	5, 8/10, 9
	8/10	6.73, d (8.5)	115.7, CH	6, 7/11, 9	6.74, d (8.5)	115.6, CH	6, 9
9		156.5, qC			156.4, qC		
OH	9.29, s <sup>d</sup>			9.28, s		8/10, 9	
NH	7.65, d (9.5)		1, 1 (Glu)	7.64, d (9.5)			
Glu	1		171.6, qC		171.6, qC		
	2	4.50, ddd (10.0, 9.0, 5.0)	53.2, CH	1, 3, 4, 1 (Abu)	4.52, ddd (10.0, 8.5, 4.5)	53.1, CH	1, 3, 4, 1 (Abu)
	3	2.51, m 2.18, m	27.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 4, 5	2.50, m 2.17, m	27.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	1, 2, 4, 5
	4	2.59, m 2.47, m	31.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 3, 5	2.57, m 2.46, m	31.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	2, 3, 5
	5		175.1, qC			175.1, qC	
OH	12.51, br s			not observed			
Abu	NH	7.50, d (9.0)		1 (Abu)	7.51, d (8.5)		2, 1 (Abu)
	1		164.1, qC			164.0, qC	
	2		131.1, qC			130.9, qC	
	3	6.55, qd (7.0, 1.0)	129.2, CH	1, 4	6.56, qd (7.0, 1.5)	129.2, CH	1, 4
4	1.77, d (7.0)	12.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2, 3	1.76, d (7.0)	12.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2, 3	

Unit	C/H no.	Largamide B (2)			Largamide C (3)		
		$\delta_{\text{H}}$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ mult.	HMBC <sup>d</sup>	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ mult.	HMBC <sup>d</sup>
Ala	NH	10.16, s		1, 1 (Ala)	10.16, s		1, 1 (Ala)
	1		175.8, qC			175.7, qC	
	2	4.30, qd (7.0, 2.5)	50.7, CH	1, 3	4.32, qd (7.0, 2.5)	50.6, CH	1, 3
	3	1.37, d (7.0)	16.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2	1.38, d (7.0)	16.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2
Thr	NH	8.83, d (2.5)		1, 2, 3	8.85, d (2.5)		1, 2, 3
	1		170.4, qC			170.3, qC	
	2	4.73, dd (8.5, 2.5)	56.0, CH	1, 1 (Tyr)	4.73, dd (8.5, 3.0)	55.8, CH	1, 1 (Tyr)
	3	5.37, qd (6.5, 2.5)	73.4, CH	1, 4, 1 (Alppa)	5.38, qd (6.5, 3.0)	73.3, CH	1, 1 (Alppa)
Tyr	4	1.18, d (6.5)	16.2, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3	1.18, d (6.5)	16.1, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3
	NH	7.96, d (8.5)		2, 1(Tyr)	7.91, d (8.5)		2, 1 (Tyr)
	1		172.8, qC			172.7, qC	
	2	4.79, ddd (10.0, 8.5, 4.5)	55.5, CH	1, 3, 4, 1 (Val)	4.78, ddd (10.0, 8.0, 4.5)	55.5, CH	1, 4, 1 (Val)
Val	3	3.07, dd (-14.0, 4.5) 2.82, dd (-14.0, 10.0)	38.2, CH <sub>2</sub>	1, 2, 4, 5/9	3.07, dd (-14.0, 4.5) 2.82, dd (-14.0, 10.0)	38.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	1, 2, 4, 5/9
	4		128.6, qC			128.5, qC	
	5/9	7.11, d (8.5)	131.0, CH	6/8, 7	7.11, d (8.5)	131.0, CH	3, 6/8, 7
	6/8	6.70, d (8.5)	115.6, CH	5/9, 7	6.70, d (8.5)	115.6, CH	5/9, 7
Tig	7		157.1, qC			157.0, qC	
	OH	9.34, s <sup>d</sup>			9.35, s		6/8, 7
	NH	8.09, d (8.5)		1, 2, 1 (Val)	8.08, d (8.0)		1, 1 (Val)
	1		172.0, qC			172.0, qC	
Tig	2	4.28, dd (8.5, 7.0)	59.2, CH	1, 3, 4, 5, 1 (Tig)	4.28, dd (8.5, 7.0)	59.2, CH	1, 3, 4, 5, 1 (Tig)
	3	2.01, m	31.6, CH	1, 2, 4, 5	2.01, m	31.5, CH	1, 2, 4, 5
	4	0.74, d (7.0)	19.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3, 5	0.74, d (7.0)	19.6, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3, 5
	5	0.71, d (7.0)	18.3, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3, 4	0.72, d (7.0)	18.2, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3, 4
	NH	7.25, d (8.5)		1, 2, 1 (Tig)	7.26, d (8.5)		1, 2, 1 (Tig)
Tig	1		169.3, qC			169.3, qC	
	2		132.7, qC			132.6, qC	

Unit	C/H no.	Largamide B (2)			Largamide C (3)		
		$\delta_H$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_C$ , mult.	HMBC <sup>d</sup>	$\delta_H$ (J in Hz)	$\delta_C$ , mult.	HMBC <sup>d</sup>
	3	6.42, qq (6.7, 1.5)	130.4, CH	1, 4, 5	6.42, qq (7.0, 1.0)	130.4, CH	1, 4, 5
	4	1.71, dq (6.7, 1.5)	13.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3	1.71, dq (7.0, 1.0)	13.7, CH <sub>3</sub>	2, 3
	5	1.79, br s	12.6, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2, 3	1.80, br s	12.4, CH <sub>3</sub>	1, 2, 3

<sup>a</sup>Protons showing long-range correlation with indicated carbon.

<sup>b</sup>Refers to compound **2**.

<sup>c</sup>Refers to compound **3**.

<sup>d</sup>No HMBC observed. Assigned by comparison of data for **2** with data for **1** and **3**.