

OP23. ISOLATION OF SECONDARY METABOLITES FROM *VALERIANA TUBEROSA* L. THROUGH *IN VITRO* ANTI-INFLAMMATORY ACTIVITY-GUIDED FRACTIONATION

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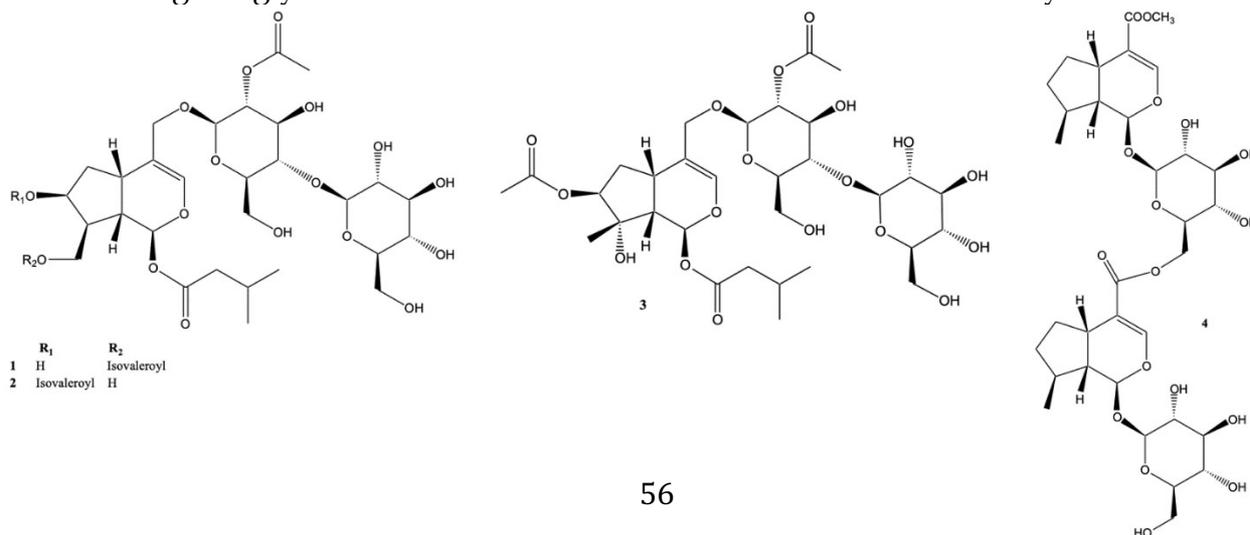
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The genus *Valeriana* consists of 426 species distributed worldwide while, it is represented by 13 species in flora of Türkiye, including *Valeriana tuberosa* L [1,2]. Previous studies on some secondary metabolites obtained from *Valeriana* species indicated their cytotoxic and anti-inflammatory activities [2,3]. The aim of this study was to isolate anti-inflammatory secondary metabolites from the underground parts of *V. tuberosa* through *in vitro* activity-guided fractionation and to identify their chemical structures. The shade-dried and powdered underground parts of *V. tuberosa* were extracted with EtOH. The crude EtOH extract was dispersed in H₂O and then partitioned against Petroleum Ether (PE), CHCl₃, EtOAc, and *n*-BuOH, respectively. The crude EtOH extract and subextracts were tested for their *in vitro* nitric oxide (NO) inhibitory activities in LPS-induced RAW 264.7 macrophage cells. CHCl₃, EtOAc and *n*-BuOH subextracts exhibited remarkable inhibitory effect on the production of NO with IC₅₀ values of 58.80, 61.14, and 14.17 µg/mL, respectively. Thus, these subextract were fractionated by chromatographic methods. Similarly, the main fractions were also tested in the same bioassay. Among the tested fractions, fr. IV from CHCl₃ subextract, fr. A from EtOAc subextract and frs. B and C from *n*-BuOH subextract displayed NO inhibition with the IC₅₀ values in the range of of 57.68 to 84.49 µg/mL. Successive chromatographic studies on these active fractions by MPLC (C₁₈ and SiO₂) and Sephadex LH-20 CC yielded four new iridoids (1-4) along with 12 known analogues as well as a lignan glycoside. Their chemical structures were established by extensive 1D



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