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## ABSTRACT

Phytochemicals and bioactivities of the heartwood and stem bark of *Artocarpus anisophyllus* Miq. have been studied. Extraction of the air-dried and powdered form of both parts was carried out by cold extraction method using *n*-hexane, dichloromethane and ethyl acetate as the solvent system. Fractionation and purification of the crude extracts have resulted in the isolation of eight compounds including flavonoids, triterpenes and a plant sterol. A new compound was isolated from the heartwood of *A. anisophyllus* which was identified as 3'-hydroxycycloartocarpin together with chaplashin, cycloartocarpin, artocarpin, derivative of artoindonesianin Z-1, a mixture of stigmast-4-en-3-one and stigmasta-4,22-dien-3-one, and  $\beta$ -sitosterol. The last compound, 6-hydroxystigmast-4-en-3-one was isolated from the stem bark of *A. anisophyllus*, together with derivative of artoindonesianin Z-1 which previously isolated from the heartwood. Their structures were elucidated using spectroscopic methods including Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, Infrared, Ultraviolet spectroscopies and Mass spectrometry. Bioactivities were carried out on the crude extracts and pure compounds. The antibacterial test on the crude extracts and pure compounds were carried out against the Gram-positive bacteria, *Bacillus subtilis* and *Staphylococcus aureus* and Gram-negative bacteria, *Escherichia coli* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. The most significant antibacterial activity was shown by the dichloromethane extract of the heartwood against *E. coli* with the MIC value of 125  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . Artocarpin showed moderate antibacterial activity against *B. subtilis* and *E. coli* with MIC value of 250  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . Derivative of artoindonesianin Z-1 showed significant antibacterial activity against *B. subtilis* with MIC value of 250  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . The antioxidant assay using DPPH radical showed that the dichloromethane extract of the stem bark of *A. anisophyllus* possessed the highest radical scavenging activity with  $\text{IC}_{50}$  value of 307.24  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . Among the pure compounds tested, artocarpin showed the strongest radical scavenging property with  $\text{IC}_{50}$  value of 69.63  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ .

## ABSTRAK

Fitokimia dan bioaktiviti daripada batang dan kulit batang *Artocarpus anisophyllus* Miq. telah dikaji. Pengekstrakan secara rendaman sejuk telah dijalankan ke atas kedua-dua sampel kering menggunakan *n*-heksana, diklorometana dan etil asetat sebagai system pelarut. Pemeringkatan dan penulenan ke atas ekstrak mentah telah berjaya menemukan lapan sebatian yang terdiri daripada flavonoid, triterpena dan sterol tumbuhan. Satu sebatian baru telah berjaya diasingkan daripada batang *A. anisophyllus* yang dikenalpasti sebagai 3'-hidroksisikloartokarpin bersama-sama dengan kaplasin, sikloartokarpin, artokarpin, terbitan artoindonesianin Z-1, campuran stigmast-4-en-3-on dan stigmasta-4,22-dien-3-on, dan  $\beta$ -sitosterol. Sebatian terakhir, 6-hidroksistigmast-4-en-3-on telah diasingkan daripada kulit batang *A. anisophyllus* bersama terbitan artoindonesianin Z-1 yang sebelum ini telah diasingkan daripada bahagian batang. Struktur sebatian telah dikenalpasti dengan menggunakan kaedah spektroskopi termasuk Spektroskopi Resonan Magnet Nukleus, Inframerah, Ultralembayung dan Spektrometri Jisim. Ujian bioaktiviti telah dijalankan ke atas ekstrak mentah dan sebatian tulen. Ujian antibakteria ke atas ekstrak mentah dan sebatian tulen telah dijalankan terhadap bakteria Gram-positif, *Bacillus subtilis* dan *Staphylococcus aureus* dan bakteria Gram-negatif, *Escherichia coli* dan *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. Aktiviti antibakteria paling baik ditunjukkan oleh ekstrak diklorometana bahagian batang terhadap *E. coli* dengan nilai MIC 125  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . Artokarpin menunjukkan aktiviti antibakteria yang sederhana terhadap *B. subtilis* dan *E. coli* dengan nilai MIC 250  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . Terbitan artoindonesianin Z-1 menunjukkan aktiviti antibakteria yang ketara terhadap *B. subtilis* dan *E. coli* dengan nilai MIC 250  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . Ujian antioksidan yang menggunakan radikal bebas DPPH menunjukkan bahawa ekstrak diklorometana kulit batang *A. anisophyllus* memiliki aktiviti perencatan radikal tertinggi dengan nilai  $\text{IC}_{50}$  307.24  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ . Antara sebatian tulen yang diuji, artokarpin didapati memiliki sifat perencatan radikal paling tinggi dengan nilai  $\text{IC}_{50}$  69.63  $\mu\text{g/mL}$ .

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$\alpha$	Alpha
Abs	Absorbance
$\beta$	Beta
BHA	Butylated Hydroxyanisole
BHT	Butylated Hydroxytoluene
br	Broad
$^{13}\text{C}$	Carbon-13
CC	Column Chromatography
COSY	Correlation Spectroscopy
$\text{CDCl}_3$	Deuterated chloroform
$\text{cm}^{-1}$	Per centimeter
$\delta$	Chemical shift
d	Doublet
d*	Overlapping doublet
1D	1 Dimension
2D	2 Dimension
$\text{D}_2\text{O}$	Deuterium Oxide
DCM	Dichloromethane
dd	Doublet of doublets
dd*	Overlapping doublet of doublets
DEPT	Distortionless Enhancement by Polarization Transfer
DMAP	4-Dimethylaminopyridine
DMSO	Dimethylsulfoxide
DPPH	2,2-Diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl
$\epsilon$	Epsilon
<i>E</i>	Entgegen
ED <sub>50</sub>	Effective Dose at 50%

EtOAc	Ethyl acetate
EIMS	Electron Impact Mass Spectrometry
FABMS	Fast Atom Bombardment Mass Spectrometry
FRAP	Ferric Reducing / Antioxidant Power
FT-IR	Fourier Transform Infrared
$\gamma$	Gamma
$^1\text{H}$	Proton
HMBC	Heteronuclear Multiple Bond Correlation
HMG-CoA	3-Hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl-Coenzyme A
HMQC	Heteronuclear Multiple Quantum Coherence
HREIMS	High Resolution Electron Impact Mass Spectrometry
HSV-1	<i>Herpes simplex</i> virus type-1
Hz	Hertz
IR	Infrared
IC <sub>50</sub>	Inhibition Concentration at 50%
$J$	Coupling constant
$\lambda$	Lamda
L	Liter
LC <sub>50</sub>	Lethal Concentration at 50%
LC-MS	Liquid Chromatography-Mass Spectrometry
lit.	Literature
M	Molar
M <sup>+</sup>	Molecular ion
max	Maximum
MIC	Minimum Inhibition Concentration
min	Minimum
MBC	Minimum Bactericidal Concentration
mg	Milligram
mL	Milliliter
Mo	Molybdenum
MS	Mass Spectrometry
mM	Milimolar
$m/z$	Mass to charge ion
m.p.	Melting point

MHz	Megahertz
m	Multiplet
m*	Overlapping multiplet
NA	Nutrient Agar
NB	Nutrient Broth
NaH <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O	Sodium phosphate monobasic monohydrate
nm	Nanometer
NMR	Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
ORAC	Oxygen Radical Scavenging Capacity
<i>p</i>	Para
PE	Petroleum ether
PIV	<i>Parainfluenza</i>
ppm	Parts per million
prep-TLC	Preparative Thin Layer Chromatography
R <sub>f</sub>	Retention factor
ROS	Reactive Oxygen Species
s	Singlet
SD	Standard Deviation
sh	Shoulder
S <sub>N</sub> 2	Bimolecular Nucleophilic Substitution
t	Triplet
t*	Overlapping triplet
TLC	Thin Layer Chromatography
TNF	Tumor Necrosis Factor
UV	Ultraviolet
VLC	Vacuum Liquid Chromatography
Z	Zusammen
μg	Microgram



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## **CHAPTER 1**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **1.1 General Introduction**

Consumption of plant derived medicines is wide spread and increasing significantly in both traditional and modern medicine. The therapeutic use of plants certainly goes back to the Sumerian civilization and 400 years before the Common Era, it has been recorded that Hippocrates used approximately 400 different plant species for medicinal purpose. Natural products played a prominent role in ancient traditional medicine system, such as Chinese, Ayurveda, and Egyptian, which are still in common use today [1]. According to The World Health Organization, more than 80% of the world population in developing countries depends primarily on plant based medicines for basic healthcare needs [2, 3]. These plants have been used widely by the villagers to treat fever, diarrhea, cough, high blood pressure and many more [4].

Nature has been a source of therapeutic agents for thousands of years, and an impressive number of modern drugs have been derived from natural sources, many based on their use in traditional medicine. Over the last century, several drugs have been developed from medicinal plants. In recent years, studies on the medicinal plants have increased remarkably due to their rich sources of bioactive compounds. Several modern drugs have been developed from these plants [5]. However, new bioactive compounds and chemical modification, or lead compounds and more effective drugs with no side effect are urgently needed. Despite the magnificent success of chemotherapy, only 30 %

of about 2000 existing diseases can be cured at present. Therefore, it is important to continuously explore natural compounds from medicinal plants that can be developed into drug to treat severe diseases [6].

Based on the previous literatures, one of flowering plants that produce many compounds with their biological activity is Moraceae family which is commonly known as mulberry family. The family Moraceae consists mostly of trees, but also shrubs, herbs, and geophytes. It is a large family comprising 53 genera and nearly 1400 species. This family is widespread in tropical and subtropical regions, but it is less in temperate climates condition. In Malaysia, there are 9 genera and 137 species, mostly tropical from lowlands to mountain forests [7]. A few of these genera such as *Morus*, *Ficus* and *Artocarpus* are economic sources of food and widely used in traditional medicines, agriculture and industry [8]. The genera constitute valuable timbers for commercial purposes such as *Artocarpus* and *Ficus*. A few of *Ficus* species are also known to give edible fruits and are used for birth control, also for women after giving birth. The leaves are consumed as tea [9]. These genera also received great level of scientific interest as they contain medicinally important secondary metabolites possessing useful biological activities.

*Artocarpus* is one of the genus of the Moraceae family which is widely distributed in Sri Lanka, India, Burma, Thailand, Indo-China and Malaysia. A number of *Artocarpus* species are used as food and for traditional folk medicines especially in South-East Asia, Indonesia and India. *Artocarpus* plants offer advantages as a profitable multipurpose crop for producing fruits and timber. The exceptional medicinal value of *Artocarpus* has long been recognized and economically the genus is of appreciable importance as a source of edible aggregate fruit such as *Artocarpus heterophyllus* (jackfruit), *Artocarpus altilis* (breadfruit) and *Artocarpus champeden* (Chempedak) and yielding fairly good timber [10, 11].

Extracts of the aerial and underground plant parts have been applied in traditional medicine for the treatment of diarrhea, malarial fever, tapeworm infection diabetes, and other ailments [12]. The other uses include wound healing, anti-syphilis, expectorant properties and also use to treat anemia, asthma and dermatitis. Referring to which provides a botanical description of *Artocarpus* species and their phytochemical constituents in the aerial and underground parts. In addition, *in vitro* and *in vivo* pharmacological studies are reviewed and discussed, focusing on antibacterial, anti tubercular, antiviral, cytotoxic [13], anti diarrheal, antiarthritic, antimycobacterial [14], antihelmintic, antioxidative [15], anti-inflammatory [16], antiplatelet [17], tyrosinase, 5-lipoxygenase, 5- $\alpha$  reductase inhibitory activities and antifungal [18] of *Artocarpus* species. Most of the pharmacological effects can be explained by the phenolic compounds including flavonoids, stilbenoids, arylbenzofurans [19] present in all plant parts and Jacalin, a lectin [20] present in seeds of certain *Artocarpus* species.

*Artocarpus anisophyllus* Miq. is one of Malaysian rare *Artocarpus* species. *A. anisophyllus* Miq. is locally known as “keledang babi” or “mentawa”. It is a mid-canopy tree, stem with white sap and hairy. It has leaflet penni-veined and glabrous which is large and small in regular order. *A. anisophyllus* can be found in the lowland of Negeri Sembilan, Johor, Sumatera and Borneo. The barks of *A. anisophyllus* are locally used as rope for backpacks, whereas the leaves can be used against boils and itch by burning and mixed with coconut oil [6].

## 1.2 Problem Statement

The phytochemical investigation reported in the review is mostly carried out on *Artocarpus* species of South-East Asia including Indonesia that has medicinal purposes and isolation of phenolic compounds. However, only a few phytochemical studies had been carried out on Malaysian *Artocarpus* species. Furthermore, thorough literature search did not reveal any report on the chemical constituents or biological activity of *A.*



*anisophyllus* Miq. Therefore, this research will focus on the phytochemical and bioactivity studies of *A. anisophyllus* Miq. native of Malaysia.

### **1.3 Research Objectives**

The objective of this research is to determine the chemical constituents of *A. anisophyllus* Miq. This research will focus on the two parts of *A. anisophyllus* Miq. which are the heartwoods and stem barks. This research will involve extraction of the samples, fractionation and purification to obtain pure compounds and to identify their structures. In addition, the next objective is to evaluate the bioactivities of the crude extracts as well as the pure compounds.

### **1.4 Scopes of the Study**

This research will focus on the investigation of chemical constituents and biological activities of the two parts of *A. anisophyllus* Miq which are the heartwoods, and stem barks. The dried samples of each part will be used and extracted using cold extraction in different polarity of solvents. The crude extracts will be fractionated by using vacuum liquid chromatography (VLC). Purifications of the fractions will be carried out by multiple silica gel or sephadex LH-20 gravity column chromatography (CC), prep-TLC and recrystallization to obtain the pure compounds. Structure elucidation of the pure compounds will be carried out using several spectroscopic methods, including UV, IR, 1D NMR ( $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ , DEPT), 2D NMR (COSY, HMQC, HMBC), and MS.

The crude extracts and isolated compounds will be screened for antioxidant and antimicrobial activities. The antioxidant activity will be performed using DPPH radical scavenging method. The antimicrobial activity will be tested using disc diffusion method

with Gram-positive bacteria strain, *Bacillus subtilis* and *Staphylococcus aureus*, and Gram-negative bacteria strain, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Escherichia coli*.

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