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Aromatic Polyketides from the Deep-Sea Cold-Seep Mussel Associated Endozoic Fungus *Talaromyces minioluteus* CS-138

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Abstract: Five new aromatic polyketides, including a unique benzofuran derivative, talarominine A (1), and four chromone analogs talamins A–D (2–5), along with one known related metabolite, 5-hydroxy-7-methoxy-2,3-dimethylchromone (6), were isolated and identified from the *Talaromyces minioluteus* CS-138, an endozoic fungus obtained from the deep-sea cold seep mussel *Gigantidas platifrons*. Their chemical structures were elucidated by detailed analysis of their NMR spectra, HRESIMS and X-ray crystallographic data, and by comparison with literature data as well. The antibacterial and DPPH scavenging activities of compounds 1–6 were evaluated. Compounds 1–3 showed inhibitory activity against some of the tested bacteria whereas compounds 2 and 5 showed potent DPPH radical scavenging activities, which were better than that of the positive control butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT). This work is likely the first report on marine natural products of mussel-derived fungus living in cold seep environments.

Keywords: *Talaromyces minioluteus*; *Gigantidas platifrons*; deep-sea cold seep; antimicrobial activity; DPPH scavenging activity



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1. Introduction

As most of the marine invertebrates are sessile, soft-bodied, and slow to move, they might need complex secondary metabolites that might be produced by interactions with their symbiotic microorganisms to establish a unique chemical defense system against potential parasite predation and/or harmful microbial colonization. It has been proved that the real producer of a lot of marine natural products isolated from macroorganisms seems to be symbiotic microorganisms, instead of the macrobiota themselves [1]. *Gigantidas platifrons* (deep-sea mussel) belongs to the subfamily Bathymodiolinae (Bivalvia: Mytilidae). It is the most typical macroinvertebrate in the global deep-sea cold seep environments [2]. Deep-sea cold seep is a unique marine environment with a high concentration of methane and low-temperature [3]. In order to survive in this extreme environment, the microorganisms from deep-sea mussel might evolve a more specific metabolic mechanism to produce unique secondary metabolites, which will greatly enrich the research of marine natural products [4].

In our continuing research on secondary metabolites of deep-sea-derived fungi [5–8], an endozoic fungus *Talaromyces minioluteus* CS-138 was isolated from the inner fresh tissue of *Gigantidas platifrons*, a deep-sea mussel collected from the cold seep area in the South China Sea. The fungal species *T. minioluteus* is widely distributed in various environments

and has been reported to produce prolific bioactive metabolites, such as antifungal tetracyclic diterpenes, polyketide-terpenoid hybrids, and hydrazide derivatives [9]. In the present work, the HPLC analysis of the EtOAc extract of *T. minioluteus* CS-138 showed a series of peaks of typical aromatic polyketides with similar UV absorptions which were not found in our HPLC-UV database. We thus carried out a larger-scale fermentation of *T. minioluteus* CS-138 for chemical investigation. As a result, six secondary metabolites (Figure 1), including a unique benzofuran derivative talarominine A (1) and four chromone analogs talamins A–D (2–5), together with a known related compound, 5-hydroxy-7-methoxy-2,3-dimethylchromone (6) [10], were isolated and identified. Chemical structures of compounds 1–6 were elucidated by detailed analysis of the spectroscopic data, and the structures of compounds 2, 4, and 5 were further confirmed by single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis. In this article, the isolation, structure identification, antimicrobial activities, and DPPH scavenging activities of compounds 1–6 were elaborated. The work described in the manuscript appears to be the first report on marine natural products from deep-sea cold seep *Gigantidas platifrons*-derived fungus.

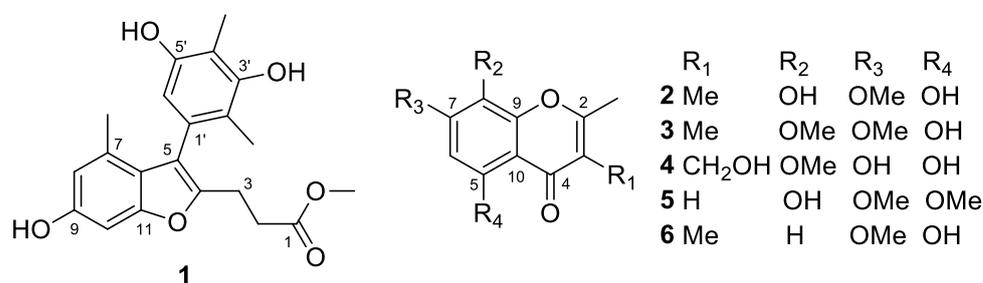


Figure 1. Structures of the isolated compounds 1–6 from *T. minioluteus* CS-138.

2. Results and Discussion

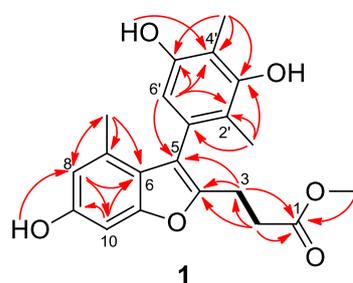
2.1. Structure Elucidation of the New Compounds

Compound 1 was obtained as a yellow amorphous solid, and its molecular formula was determined as C₂₁H₂₂O₆ by analyzing the HRESIMS data at *m/z* 369.1341 [M – H][−] (calculated for C₂₁H₂₁O₆, 369.1344, Figure S1 in the Supplementary Materials), indicating 11 degrees of unsaturation. The ¹H NMR data of 1 (DMSO-*d*₆, Table 1 and Figure S2) displayed signals for four methyls (including one methoxyl), three aromatic protons, and three exchangeable protons. The ¹³C NMR and DEPT data (DMSO-*d*₆, Table 1 and Figure S3) revealed the presence of 21 carbons, including four methyls (with one oxygenated), two sp³-hybridized methylenes, three sp²-hybridized methines, and 12 non-protonated carbons (including five O-bearing carbons and one ester carbonyl carbon).

The structure of compound 1 was further identified by detailed analysis of ¹H-¹H COSY and HMBC data (Figure 2). HMBC correlations from H-8 to C-6 and C-10 and from H-10 to C-6, C-8, and C-9 indicated a 1,2,3,5-tetrasubstituted benzene ring in compound 1. Furthermore, a methyl group at C-7 of the benzene ring was confirmed by the HMBC correlations from CH₃-7 (δ_H 1.86) to C-6, C-7, and C-8, whereas a hydroxy group at C-9 was established by the HMBC correlations from the proton of OH-9 to C-8 (Figure 2). In addition, a pentasubstituted benzene ring in 1 was confirmed by the HMBC correlations from H-6' to C-2', C-4', and C-5'. Two methyl groups were attached to C-2' and C-4' of the pentasubstituted benzene ring as evidenced by the HMBC correlations from CH₃-2' (δ_H 1.79) to C-1', C-2', and C-3' and from CH₃-4' (δ_H 2.04) to C-3', C-4', and C-5' (Figure 2). Supported by the HMBC correlations from OH-5' to C-4' and the chemical shift of δ_C 153.7 (C-3'), the locations of two hydroxy groups were designated at C-5' and C-3', respectively. The side chain was determined by the HMBC cross peaks from the proton of a methoxy group at δ_H 3.55 (3H, s) to C-1, from H₂-3 and H₂-2 to C-1, and by the COSY correlations from H₂-3 to H₂-2 (Figure 2).

Table 1. NMR data of compound **1** (δ in ppm, 500 MHz for ^1H and 125 MHz for ^{13}C).

Compound 1 (DMSO- d_6)					
No.	δ_{H} (mult, J in Hz)	δ_{C} , Type	No.	δ_{H} (mult, J in Hz)	δ_{C} , Type
1		172.1, C	2'		115.0, C
2	2.55, dd (7.9, 6.7)	31.9, CH ₂	3'		153.7, C
3	2.72, m	21.7, CH ₂	4'		110.7, C
4		149.8, C	5'		153.1, C
5		116.9, C	6'	6.21, s	108.8, CH
6		119.5, C	7-CH ₃	1.86, s	17.4, CH ₃
7		130.9, C	2'-CH ₃	1.79, s	13.2, CH ₃
8	6.41, d (2.0)	112.9, CH	4'-CH ₃	2.04, s	9.3, CH ₃
9		154.4, C	9-OH	8.10, s	
10	6.68, d (2.0)	95.1, CH	3'-OH	9.31, s	
11		154.7, C	5'-OH	8.96, s	
1'		130.2, C	1-OCH ₃	3.55, s	51.4, CH ₃

**Figure 2.** Key COSY (bold lines) and HMBC (red arrows) correlations for compound **1**.

The chemical shifts of δ_{C} 154.7 (C-11), 149.8 (C-4), 116.9 (C-5), and 119.5 (C-6) and the HMBC cross peaks from H-2 to C-4 and from H-6' and H-3 to C-5 determined that the 1,2,3,5-tetrasubstituted benzene ring and the side chain were connected to a furan ring through C-5 and C-4, respectively (Figure 2). Thus, the structure of compound **1** was determined as a unique benzofuran derivative and was given the trivial name talarominine A. A literature survey revealed that talarominine A is a new naturally occurring benzofuran derivative with unique substitution patterns.

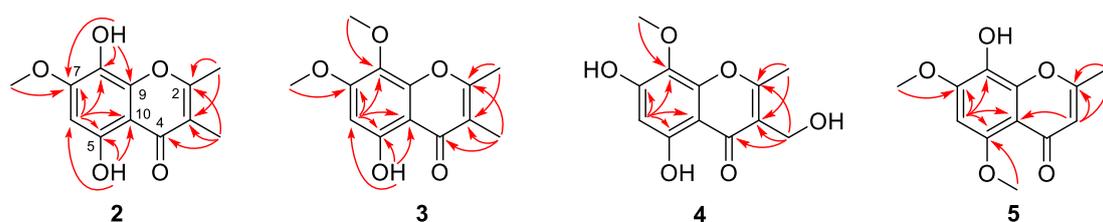
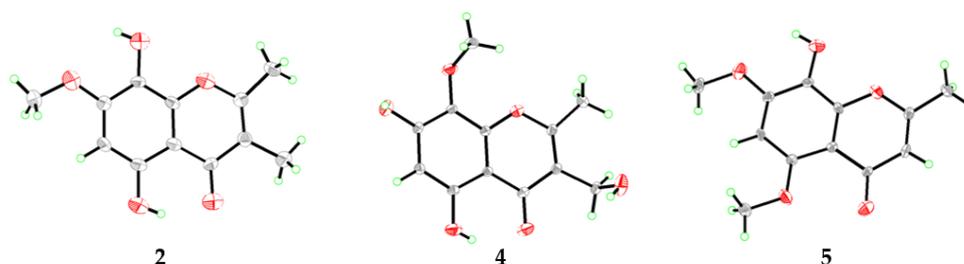
Compound **2** was obtained as yellow crystals and its molecular formula was determined to be $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_5$ on the basis of HRESIMS data at m/z 237.0762 [$\text{M} + \text{H}$]⁺ (calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_5$, 237.0757, Figure S7), requiring 7 degrees of unsaturation. The ^1H (DMSO- d_6 , Table 2 and Figure S8) and ^{13}C (DMSO- d_6 , Table 3 and Figure S9) NMR data revealed the presence of three methyls (one oxygenated), one methine, and eight non-protonated carbons, which were quite similar to those of previously reported 5,7-dihydroxy-6-methoxy-2-methylchromone [11]. Discreet analysis and comparison of the NMR data disclosed that compound **2** and 5,7-dihydroxy-6-methoxy-2-methylchromone shared the same benzopyran-4-one ring but with different substituents. HMBC correlations from the proton at δ_{H} 6.49 (1H, s, H-6) to C-5, C-7, C-8, and C-10 led to the designation of this proton as H-6 (Figure 3), whereas the methyl groups were assigned at C-2 and C-3 by the HMBC cross peaks from CH₃-2 to C-2 and C-3 and from CH₃-3 to C-2, C-3, and C-4. Moreover, HMBC correlations from OCH₃-7 to C-7, from OH-8 to C-7, C-8, and C-9, and from OH-5 to C-5, C-6, and C-10 designated the locations of the methoxy and two hydroxy groups (Figure 3). Furthermore, the structure of compound **2** was confirmed by single-crystal X-ray diffraction experiment (Figure 4). Thus, compound **2** was determined as 5,8-dihydroxy-7-methoxy-2,3-dimethylchromone and was named as talamin A.

Table 2. ^1H NMR data of compounds 2–5 in $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ (δ in ppm, 500 MHz for ^1H).

No.	δ_{H} (mult, J in Hz)			
	2	3	4	5
3				5.90, s
6	6.49, s	6.53, s	6.18, s	6.62, s
2-CH ₃	2.40, s	2.42, s	2.47, s	2.27, s
3-CH ₃ /CH ₂	1.90, s	1.91, s	4.35, s	
5-OH	12.48, s	12.82, s	12.65, s	
8-OH	8.71, s			
5-OCH ₃				3.79, s
7-OCH ₃	3.87, s	3.88, s		3.92, s
8-OCH ₃		3.74, s	3.74, s	

Table 3. ^{13}C NMR data of compounds 2–5 in $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ (δ in ppm, 125 MHz for ^{13}C).

No.	δ_{C} , Type			
	2	3	4	5
2	163.6, C	163.8, C	166.0, C	163.2, C
3	113.5, C	114.0, C	118.0, C	110.5, CH
4	181.6, C	181.4, C	180.3, C	176.0, C
5	152.7, C	156.5, C	156.4, C	151.8, C
6	95.2, CH	95.5, CH	99.5, CH	94.1, CH
7	153.3, C	157.8, C	159.7, C	151.2, C
8	125.6, C	127.8, C	127.6, C	127.8, C
9	144.4, C	148.7, C	149.4, C	147.1, C
10	103.0, C	103.0, C	101.8, C	107.9, C
2-CH ₃	18.4, CH ₃	18.5, CH ₃	18.0, CH ₃	19.3, CH ₃
3-CH ₃ /CH ₂	8.8, CH ₃	8.8, CH ₃	52.2, CH ₂	
5-OCH ₃				56.4, CH ₃
7-OCH ₃	56.2, CH ₃	56.4, CH ₃		56.2, CH ₃
8-OCH ₃		60.9, CH ₃	60.5, CH ₃	

**Figure 3.** Key HMBC correlations (arrows) for compounds 2–5.**Figure 4.** X-ray crystal structures of compounds 2, 4, and 5.

Compound 3 was also obtained as yellow powder, and its molecular formula was determined to be $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_5$ by HRESIMS data at m/z 251.0912 $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ (calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_5$, 251.0914, Figure S13), with 14 units more than that of 2 but having same degrees of unsaturation with 2. The ^1H NMR data ($\text{DMSO-}d_6$, Table 2 and Figure S14) was similar to that of compound 2, except that the hydroxy group at C-8 of 2 was replaced by a

methoxy group in **3**, and the ^{13}C NMR data (DMSO- d_6 , Table 3 and Figure S15) and HMBC correlations (Figure 3) confirmed this designation. Thus, compound **3** was determined as 5-hydroxy-7,8-dimethoxy-2,3-dimethylchromone and gave the trivial name talamin B.

Compound **4** was also isolated as yellow crystals. Its molecular formula, $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$, was determined by HRESIMS at m/z 275.0520 $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ (calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6\text{Na}$, 275.0526, Figure S18). Compared to **2**, compound **4** has one less methyl signal and one more oxygenated methylene signal from the ^1H and ^{13}C NMR data (DMSO- d_6 , Tables 2 and 3 and Figures S19 and S20). HMBC correlations (Figure 3) from the methylene proton of 3- CH_2OH (δ_{H} 4.35) to C-2, C-3, and C-4 designated the location of the oxygenated methylene group at C-3. In addition, the chemical shifts of the carbon atoms of **4** at benzene ring have changed greatly when compared with that of compound **2**, which was speculated to be caused by the different substitution patterns of the methoxy and hydroxy groups on the benzene ring. HMBC correlations from the proton of OCH_3 -8 (δ_{H} 3.74) to C-8 and the chemical shifts of δ_{C} 159.7 (C-7) verified the locations of the hydroxy and methoxyl groups. After the NMR data collection, we set **4** to single-crystal X-ray diffraction experiment and confirmed our deduction (Figure 4). Thus, compound **4** was assigned as a new chromone derivative and was named as talamin C.

Compound **5** was obtained as light yellow crystals and its molecular formula was assigned as $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_5$ by HRESIMS at m/z 235.0614 $[\text{M} - \text{H}]^-$ (calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_5$, 235.0612, Figure S24), the same as that of compound **2**. The ^1H NMR data (DMSO- d_6 , Table 2 and Figure S25) of **5** was similar to that of **2**. However, the olefinic-methyl group at C-3 and the OH group at C-5 in **2** were replaced by an olefinic proton and a methoxy group in **5**, respectively. HMBC correlations (Figure 3) from δ_{H} 5.90 (1H, s, H-3) to C-2 and C-10 designated this proton as H-3. In addition, chemical shifts of the carbonyl and several aromatic carbon atoms changed significantly, which indicated that the substituent on benzene ring has changed. HMBC correlations from OCH_3 -7 (δ_{H} 3.92) to C-7 and from OCH_3 -5 (δ_{H} 3.79) to C-5 verified the locations of the methoxy groups. The single-crystal X-ray diffraction experiment (Figure 4) further verified the locations of the hydroxy and methoxy groups. Thus, compound **5** was identified as 8-hydroxy-5,7-dimethoxy-2-methylchromone and was named as talamin D.

2.2. Antibacterial Assays

All of the isolated compounds were tested for antibacterial activities against three humanic and 9 aquatic pathogenic bacteria. As shown in Table 4, compound **1** exhibited inhibitory activities against methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA), *Micrococcus luteus*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Vibrio harveyi*, and *Vibrio vulnificus*, with MIC values ranging from 32 to 64 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$. Compound **2** showed certain activity against *V. vulnificus* with an MIC value of 32 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$, whereas compound **3** exhibited inhibitory activities against MRSA and *V. vulnificus*. For both, the MIC values were 64 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$. Compounds **4–6** showed no or weak activity to the tested strains (MIC > 64 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$).

Table 4. Antibacterial activities of compounds **1–3** (MIC, $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$).

Strains	1	2	3	Chloramphenicol
Methicillin-resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	32	-	64	4
<i>Micrococcus luteus</i>	32	-	-	4
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	64	-	-	0.5
<i>Vibrio harveyi</i>	32	-	-	2
<i>Vibrio vulnificus</i>	64	32	64	1

2.3. DPPH Scavenging Activities

Compounds **1–6** were further evaluated for their 2,2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) radical scavenging activity. The results (Table 5) showed that compounds **1**, **2**, and **5** had strong DPPH radical scavenging activities, with IC_{50} values 24.10, 6.56, and 9.03 μM , which

are significantly better than that of the positive control BHT ($IC_{50} = 61.39 \mu\text{M}$). A structure activity relationship analysis of compounds 2–6 indicated that the hydroxy group at C-8 of compounds 2 and 5 was essential for their antioxidant property.

Table 5. DPPH radical scavenging activity of compounds 1–6 (IC_{50} , μM).

Compounds	1	2	3	4
IC_{50} (μM)	24.10 ± 0.53	6.56 ± 0.21	$>200 \pm 3.10$	$>200 \pm 2.75$
Compounds	5	6	BHT	
IC_{50} (μM)	9.03 ± 0.65	$>200 \pm 1.80$	61.39 ± 1.04	

3. Experimental Section

3.1. General Experimental Procedures

One-dimensional and 2D NMR data was acquired on a Bruker Avance 500 spectrometer (Bruker Biospin Group, Karlsruhe, Germany). UV spectra were read from a PuXi TU-1810 UV-visible spectrophotometer (Shanghai Lengguang Technology Co., Ltd., Shanghai, China). Mass spectra were recorded on an API QSTAR Pulsar 1 mass spectrometer (Applied Biosystems, Foster City, CA, USA). Analytical HPLC was performed using a SHIMADZU prominence HPLC system equipped with LC-20AT pump, SIL-20A automated sample injector, CTO-20AC column oven, and SPD-M20A diode array detector controlled by LCSolution software.

Column chromatography (CC) was used with silica gel (200–300 mesh, Qingdao Haiyang Chemical Factory, Qingdao, China), Lobar LiChroprep RP-18 (40–60 μm , Merck, Darmstadt, Germany), and Sephadex LH-20 (18–110 μm , Merck, Germany). Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) was performed with silica gel GF254 precoated plates (50 \times 100 mm, Qingdao Haiyang Chemical Group Corporation, Qingdao, China). A separation and purification experiment was carried out with distilled organic solvents.

3.2. Fungal Material

The fungal strain *Talaromyces minioluteus* CS-138 was isolated from the inner fresh tissue of the *Gigantidas platifrons*, which is a deep-sea mussel collected from the cold seep area of the south Sea of China in July 2018. After strain identification with the morphological character and ITS region sequence [12], it was found that the fungal strain was the same (100%) as that of *Talaromyces minioluteus* (JX091487). The strain (sequence in GenBank with accession No. OM670209) is preserved at the Key Laboratory of Experimental Marine Biology, Institute of Oceanology, Chinese Academy of Sciences (IOCAS).

3.3. Fermentation, Extraction, and Isolation

For chemical investigations, fresh mycelia of *T. minioluteus* CS-138 were grown on PDA medium with seawater at 28 °C for five days. Then, the strain was inoculated on rice medium for large-scale fermentation in 130 \times 1 L Erlenmeyer flasks (70 g rice, 0.1 g corn syrup, 0.3 g peptone, 0.1 g methionine, and 100 mL naturally sourced and filtered seawater) and statically cultured for 30 days at room temperature.

The fermentation product was first extracted with ethyl acetate three times, then extracted with acetone solvent one time, and finally about 120 g of crude extract was obtained. The crude extract was simply segmented by vacuum liquid chromatography (VLC) with different solvents upon the polarity, obtaining nine fractions (Frs. 1–9). Fr. 4 (12.6 g) and Fr. 6 (13.3 g), which showed a series of polyketones as analyzed by HPLC and TLC, were further segmented by column chromatography (CC) over Lobar LiChroprep RP-18 with a MeOH–H₂O gradient (from 10: 90 to 100: 0) to afford subfractions (Fr.4.1–4.10 and Fr.6.1–6.5, respectively). Fr. 6.4 (134.8 mg) was further purified by preparative TLC (pTLC) (plate: 20 \times 20 cm, developing solvents: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 20:1) and then by CC on Sephadex LH-20 (MeOH) to obtain compound 1 (4.1 mg). Fr. 4.3 was further purified by CC on Si gel eluting with a CH₂Cl₂-MeOH gradient (from 200:1 to 20:1) and on Sephadex

LH-20 (MeOH) to obtain compounds **2** (12.1 mg), **3** (7.8 mg), and **4** (5.3 mg). Similarly, Fr. 6.3 (89.3 mg) was further purified by CC on Si gel eluting with a CH₂Cl₂-MeOH gradient (from 170:1 to 20:1) and on Sephadex LH-20 (MeOH) to obtain compounds **5** (7.3 mg) and **6** (5.4 mg).

Talarominine A (**1**): yellow, amorphous powder; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 205 (4.69), 253 (4.12), 287 (3.89); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table 1; HRESIMS at m/z 369.1341 [M - H]⁻ (calcd for C₂₁H₂₁O₆, 369.1344).

Talamin A (**2**): yellow crystals; mp 207–209 °C; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 261 (4.36), 348 (3.59); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Tables 2 and 3; HRESIMS at m/z 237.0762 [M + H]⁺ (calcd for C₁₂H₁₃O₅, 237.0757).

Talamin B (**3**): yellow powder; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 252 (4.22), 332 (3.55); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Tables 2 and 3; HRESIMS at m/z 251.0912 [M + H]⁺ (calcd for C₁₃H₁₅O₅, 251.0914).

Talamin C (**4**): yellow crystals; mp > 350 °C; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 228 (4.44), 260 (4.60), 326 (3.88); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Tables 2 and 3; HRESIMS at m/z 275.0520 [M + Na]⁺ (calcd for C₁₂H₁₂O₆Na, 275.0526).

Talamin D (**5**): light yellow crystals; mp 227–229 °C; UV (MeOH) λ_{\max} (log ϵ) 225 (3.37), 260 (3.55), 333 (2.86); ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Tables 2 and 3; HRESIMS at m/z 235.0614 [M - H]⁻ (calcd for C₁₂H₁₁O₅, 235.0612).

3.4. X-ray Crystallographic Analysis of Compounds **2**, **4**, and **5** [13]

The crystallographic data of compound **4** were collected on a Bruker Smart-1000 diffractometer equipped with a graphite-monochromatic Cu K α radiation ($\lambda = 1.54178$) Å at 296 (2) K, whereas those of compounds **2** and **5** were collected with a graphite-monochromatic Mo K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71073$) Å at 293 (2) K and 298 (2) K, respectively. The data were corrected for absorption by using the program SADABS [14]. The structures were solved by direct methods with the SHELXTL software package [15]. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. The H atoms connected to C atoms were calculated theoretically and those to O atoms were assigned by difference Fourier maps. The structures were optimized by full-matrix least-squares techniques [16].

Crystal data for compound 2: C₁₂H₁₂O₅, F.W. = 236.07, Triclinic, space group P-1, unit cell dimensions $a = 4.6047(4)$ Å, $b = 8.4916(8)$ Å, $c = 13.8731(11)$ Å, $V = 539.12(8)$ Å³, $\alpha = 89.525(2)^\circ$, $\beta = 86.7350(10)^\circ$, $\gamma = 84.5400(10)^\circ$, $Z = 2$, $d_{\text{calcd}} = 1.444$ mg/m³, crystal dimensions 0.30 × 0.13 × 0.05 mm, $\mu = 0.045$ mm⁻¹, $F(000) = 72$. The 2748 measurements yielded 1857 independent reflections after equivalent data were averaged. The final refinement gave $R_1 = 0.0872$ and $wR_2 = 0.2001$ [$I > 2\sigma(I)$].

Crystal data for compound 4: C₁₂H₁₂O₆, F.W. = 252.22, Triclinic, space group P-1, unit cell dimensions $a = 7.0563(10)$ Å, $b = 9.0035(13)$ Å, $c = 11.8983(17)$ Å, $V = 722.36(18)$ Å³, $\alpha = 81.350(4)^\circ$, $\beta = 75.651(4)^\circ$, $\gamma = 84.160(4)^\circ$, $Z = 2$, $d_{\text{calcd}} = 1.160$ mg/m³, crystal dimensions 0.180 × 0.160 × 0.150 mm, $\mu = 0.806$ mm⁻¹, $F(000) = 264$. The 12,637 measurements yielded 2616 independent reflections after equivalent data were averaged. The final refinement gave $R_1 = 0.0872$ and $wR_2 = 0.2001$ [$I > 2\sigma(I)$].

Crystal data for compound 5: C₁₂H₁₂O₅, F.W. = 236.22, monoclinic, space group C2/c, unit cell dimensions $a = 21.326(2)$ Å, $b = 6.1455(8)$ Å, $c = 16.7254(19)$ Å, $V = 2182.7(5)$ Å³, $\alpha = \gamma = 90.00^\circ$, $\beta = 95.304(2)^\circ$, $Z = 8$, $d_{\text{calcd}} = 1.438$ mg/m³, crystal dimensions 0.35 × 0.17 × 0.10 mm, $\mu = 0.113$ mm⁻¹, $F(000) = 992$. The 4926 measurements yielded 1896 independent reflections after equivalent data were averaged. The final refinement gave $R_1 = 0.0934$ and $wR_2 = 0.2083$ [$I > 2\sigma(I)$].

3.5. Antibacterial Assay

Antibacterial activities against three human pathogens (*Escherichia coli* EMBLC-1, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* EMBLC-2, and *Micrococcus luteus* QDIO-3) and 9 aquatic bacteria (*Aeromonas hydrophila* QDIO-1, *Klebsiella pneumoniae* EMBLC-3, *Edwardsiella tarda* QDIO-2, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* QDIO-4, *Vibrio alginolyticus* QDIO-5, *V. anguillarum*

QDIO-6, *V. harveyi* QDIO-7, *V. parahemolyticus* QDIO-8, and *V. vulnificus* QDIO-10) were carried out by the microplate assay with a microplate assay with three repetitions [17]. The humanic and aquatic pathogens were obtained from the Institute of Oceanology, Chinese Academy of Sciences. Chloramphenicol was used as positive control.

3.6. DPPH Radical Scavenging Assay

The scavenging activity against DPPH radicals was carried out according to the method of Sharma with some modifications [18,19]. Certain amounts of compounds 1–6 were individually dissolved in methanol and diluted into six gradients. Then, 100 μ L aliquot of samples was added to 100 μ L of 0.16 mM DPPH methanolic solution in 96-well plates. After mixing evenly, the mixtures were left to stand at room temperature for 30 min in the dark, and the absorbance was read at 517 nm (A_{sample}). Butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT) was used as positive control. All the measurements were performed in triplicate and each value was presented as the mean \pm standard deviation. The ability to scavenge the DPPH was calculated according to the equation:

$$\text{Scavenging effect (\%)} = 100 - (A_{\text{sample}} - A_{\text{sample blank}}) \times 100 / (A_{\text{control}} - A_{\text{blank}})$$

$A_{\text{sample blank}}$: the absorbance of the test sample without DPPH solution;

A_{control} : the absorbance of the DPPH solution;

A_{blank} : the absorbance of methanol.

4. Conclusions

In summary, the secondary metabolites of *T. minioluteus* CS-138, which was isolated from the fresh tissues of *Gigantidas platifrons* in the cold seep area of South China Sea, were chemically studied. Six aromatic polyketides, including five new compounds (1–5), were isolated and identified. Among them, compounds 2, 4, and 5 were further confirmed by single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis. Compounds 1, 2, and 3 exhibited inhibitory activities against some human pathogenic and aquatic bacteria, with MIC values ranging from 32 to 64 μ g/mL. Moreover, compounds 1, 2, and 5 exhibited potent DPPH radical scavenging activities, significantly better than that of the positive control BHT, possessing the potential to be developed as antioxidants.

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