FLAVONOIDS AND CYANOGENIC GLYCOSIDES FROM THE LEAVES AND STEM BARK OF *PRUNUS PERSICA* (L.) BATSCH (MEET GHAMR) PEACH LOCAL CULTIVAR IN ASSIUT REGION

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تم فى هذا البحث إجراء دراسة كيميائية لأوراق وقلف ساق نبات الخوخ صنف ميت غمر" وهو أحد النباتات التابعة للعائلة الوردية. وقد تم فصل والتعرف على المركبات الآتية: بروناسين () كمبيفيرول - أ - دى جلوكوبيرانوزايد () كمبيفيرول - أ - دى جلوكوبيرانوزايد () كويرسيتين - أ - دى جلوكوبيرانوزايد () أميد حامض الماندليك - دى جلوكوبيرانوزايد () ميد حامض الماندليك - دى جلوكوبيرانوزايد () أميد در) ألفا دى جلاكتوبيرانوزايد () أميجدالين () من خلاصة الكحول الميثيلى لأوراق النبات بالإضافة إلى مركبات برسيكوجينين () نارنجينين () أومادندرين () إريودكتيول () برسيكوجينين - دى جلوكوبيرانوزايد () من خلاصة الكحول الميثيلى لأوراق النبات بالإضافة إلى مركبات برسيكوجينين () من خلاصة الكحول الميثيلي لقلف الساق وهذه المركبات تفصل لأول مرة من النبات والمركبان () من خلاصة الكحول أول مرة من النبات والمركبان () من خلاصة الكحول والميثيلي لقلف الساق وهذه المركبات تفصل لأول مرة من النبات والمركبان () من خلاصة الكحول والميثيلي لقلف الساق وهذه المركبات تفصل لأول مرة من النبات والمركبان () والمرة المركبان براسيكيبة والمريون والي يولي المريون والمريون () من خلاصة الكحول والميثيلي لقلف الساق وهذه المركبات تفصل لأول مرة من النبات والمركبان () من خلاصة الكحول والميثيلي النبات والمركبان براسيكبوبي المريون والمرائ التحليلية المرئون والمرة من النبات والمركبان فرالم المولي مرة من النبات والمركبان بدراسة خواصية المبيعية والكيبيانية والمريان والمرة من النبات والمركبان بدراسة خواصية والميدين والمرة من النبات والمركبان بدراسة خواصية المينية والميتية والمركبان بدراسة خواصية والكبيبة والمرة من النبات والمركبان بدراسة خواصية والميتين والمرام والمريون والمية والمركبان بدراسة خواصية والميتين والمي مرة من النبات والمركبان بدراسة خواصية والميين والمينية والمريون والمريون المولميين والم

3-0-*β*-D-*Mandelonitrile-\beta-D-glucopyranoside* (prunasin) (1). kaempferolgalactopyranoside (2), kaempferol-3-O- β -D-glucopyranoside (3), quercetin-3-O- β -Dglucopyranoside (4), mandelic acid amide- β -D-glucopyranoside (5), kaempferol-3-O-[β -Dglucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 4)$ - α -D-galactopyranoside] (6), mandelonitrile- β -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 6)$ - β -D- glucopyranoside (amygdalin) (7) were isolated from the methanolic extract of the leaves of Prunus persica (L.) Batsch "Meet Ghamr" peach. Furthermore, persicogenin (8), naringenin (9), aromadendrin (10), eriodictyol (11), persicogenin-3'-O-\beta-D-glucopyranoside (12) and hesperitin-5-O- β -glucopyranoside (13) were isolated from the methanolic extract of the stem bark of the title plant. All these compounds were isolated for the first time from "Meet Ghamr" peach while compounds 5 and 6 were firstly reported from the genus Prunus. Identification of these compounds has been established by physical, chemical and spectral methods (UV, IR, FAB-MS, 1-D-and 2-D NMR).

INTRODUCTION

Prunus persica (L.) Batsch, Family Rosaceae is a small bushy deciduous tree or large shrub with lanceolate tapering leaves and pink flowers appear in spring.¹ The seeds or kernels, flowers and bark are used in medicine. The kernels are used as laxative, depurative, antispasmodic, for treatment of rheumatism, against cough and haemorrhages. Furthermore, they have been used to treat high blood pressure, blood diseases, colic and anemia. The flowers are diuretic and useful in dropsy and anuria. The inner white bark of the root is used as a prophylactic in epidemics and a remedy for dropsy and jaundice. It is quieting and insecticide. The immature leafy shoot with flowers and young fruit is cooked with pork and the broth ingested as a remedy for menstrual trouble, hemorrhage and hernia. A decoction of the leaves is used as a bath to treat heat rash, skin disease and circulatory troubles.² Economically, the oil is used in skin creams; fruits are edible and used to flavour candy and ice-cream.¹ *Prunus persica* extract may be useful for protection against UVinduced skin damage when topically applied.³ Several constituents have been isolated from the plants of genus *Prunus* such as triterpenes,^{4,5} phenyl propanoid glucose esters,⁶ lignan xylosides,⁷ flavans and proanthocyanidins,^{8,9} flavonols and anthocyanins,¹⁰ flavonoid-5-glucosides¹¹ and phenolic glucosides.^{12, 13}

The previous phytochemical study of *Prunus persica* (L.) Batsch led to the isolation of persicogenin, multiflorin A and B, multinoside A, chromogenic acid, quercetin, quercetrin, trifolin, astragalin, afzelin, gibberellin A-5, A-32, A-32 acetonide, GA-85, GA-86 and abscisic acid.^{3,14, 15}

The "Meet Ghamr" peach is the most important local variety in Egypt due to its adaptability to the environmental conditions.¹⁶ Upon reviewing the available literatures on the "Meet Ghamr" peach, nothing could be traced on its chemical constituents. Therefore, it was deemed of interest to carry a phytochemical study on this plant in order to evaluate the effect of environmental conditions on its chemical constituents. This study deals with the isolation of many flavonoids and cyanogenic glycosides from *Prunus persica* (L.) Batsch "Meet Ghamr" peach.

EXPERIMENTAL

General experimental procedures

- 1- Melting points are uncorrected and measured by Stuart Scientific melting point SMP1 instrument (England).
- 2- UV spectra were measured in methanol and different ionizing and complexing agents using Uvidec-320 spectrophotometer with matched 1 cm quartz cells (JASCO, Japan).
- 3- Schimadzu infra red-470 spectrometer (Japan) was used for measuring IR spectra in KBr discs.
- 4- 1-D and 2-D NMR spectra (¹H-¹H COSY, HSQC and HMBC) were recorded on JEOL A-400, A-500 and A-600 spectrometers using TMS as an internal standard.
- 5- Positive FAB-MS spectra were recorded by JEOL HX-110 mass spectrometer (Japan) using glycerol or *m*-nitrobenzyl alcohol as a matrix.
- 6- The spots were visualized by UV lamp (254, 366 nm, VL, 6 LC, Marine Lavalee-

Cedex, France) and sprayed with 10% H₂SO₄ or 5% AlCl₃.

- 7- Column chromatography was performed with silica gel 60 (E. Merck), Develosil Lop ODS (30-50 μ , Nomura chemicals) and sephadex LH-20 (Pharmacia Biotech. AB, Upsala, Sweden).
- 8- Analytical TLC was conducted on precoated aluminium sheets of RP-18 $F_{254 \text{ S}}$ (E. Merck) and silica gel 60 GF_{254} (E. Merck).
- Preparative TLC was performed on silica gel 60 GF₂₅₄ (E. Merck).
- 10- Authentic samples were obtained from Department of Pharmacognosy, Faculty of Pharmacy, Assiut University, Assiut.
- 11- Solvent systems:
 - A- Solvent systems were used for silica gel TLC:
 - I- Chloroform-methanol (90:10)
 - II- Ethyl acetate-ethanol (90:10)
 - III- Chloroform-methanol (70:30)
 - IV- *n*-Butanol-acetone-formic acidwater (60:17:8:15).
 - B- Solvent systems were used for RP-18 TLC:
 - water-methanol (20:10), (20:20) and (20:30)

Plant material

Leaves and stem bark of *Prunus persica* (L.) Batsch "Meet Ghamr" peach were collected separately during the flowering stage (2001) from the plant cultivated in the Experimental Station, Faculty of Pharmacy, Assiut University, Assiut. The plant was identified by Prof. Dr. Samir El-Agamy, Department of Horticulture (Pomology), Faculty of Agriculture, Assiut University. The collected materials were air-dried, reduced to powder No. 40 and kept for extraction.

Extraction and isolation

I- Leaves

The air-dried powdered leaves (3.8 kg) of *Prunus persica* (L.) Batsch "Meet Ghamr" peach were exhaustively extracted with methanol at room temperature and concentrated under vacuum. The concentrated extract (350 g) was diluted with distilled water and subjected to solvent fractionation using *n*-hexane (6×500 ml), chloroform (5×500 ml), ethyl acetate (6×500 ml) and *n*-butanol (5×500 ml)

ml). The obtained fractions were separately concentrated under reduced pressure till solvent-free residue (200, 40, 50 and 30 g, respectively) and examined for different constituents by silica gel TLC using systems I and III.

A- Ethyl acetate fraction

About 15 g of the ethyl acetate soluble fraction was chromatographed on silica gel column (450 g, 5×150 cm), and eluted with chloroform followed by chloroform-methanol gradient.Fractions of 250 ml were collected, concentrated and monitored by silica gel TLC using systems I & III. Five fractions were obtained; fraction I (1 g, eluted with chloroform), fraction II (5 g, eluted with chloroform-methanol 95:5), fraction III (4 g, with chloroform-methanol eluted 90:10), fraction IV (3.5 g, eluted with chloroformmethanol 85:15) and fraction V (1.3 g, eluted with chloroform-methanol 80:20). About 3 g of fraction II was rechromatographed on ODS column (300 g, 5×120 cm) and eluted with water-methanol (30:10) to obtain compound 1 (500 mg). Fraction III was rechromatographed on ODS column (300 g, 5×120 cm), eluted with water-methanol (30:10) and (20:10) to yield compound 2 (300 mg) and compound 3 (200 mg). Fraction IV was rechromatographed on silica gel column (100 g, 2×75 cm) and eluted with chloroform-methanol (90:10) to afford compound 4 (200 mg).

B-*n***-Butanol fraction**

About 10 g of the *n*-butanol soluble fraction was fractionated on silica gel column (300 g, 5×120 cm). Elution was started with ethyl acetate followed by ethyl acetatemethanol gradient. Fractions of 200 ml were collected, concentrated and monitored by silica gel TLC using systems I & III. Four fractions were obtained; fraction I (1 g, eluted with ethyl acetate), fraction II (3 g, eluted with ethyl acetate-methanol 95:5), fraction III (2 g, eluted with ethyl acetate-methanol 90:10) and fraction IV (3.8 g, eluted with ethyl acetate-methanol 80:20). Fraction II was rechromatographed on sephadex LH-20 using methanol. Further purification by preparative TLC using chloroform-methanol (80:20)afforded compound 5 (500 mg). Fraction III was rechromatographed on ODS column (300 g, 5×120 cm) using water-methanol (10:20) to yield compound **6** (50 mg). Fraction IV was purified on ODS column (300 g, 5×120 cm) using water-methanol (30:10) to obtain compound **7** (40 mg).

II- Stem bark

The air-dried ground stem bark (1.1 kg) of *Prunus persica* (L.) Batsch "Meet Ghamr" peach was extracted with methanol at room temperature. The methanolic extract was concentrated under vacuum until solvent-free residue (100 g). The residue was diluted with distilled water and fractionated by using *n*-hexane (3×500 ml), chloroform (3×500 ml), ethyl acetate (5×500 ml) and *n*-butanol (4×500 ml). Each fraction was concentrated under reduced pressure to give the corresponding solubles (15, 10, 50 and 15 g, respectively) and screened by silica gel TLC using system I.

A- Chloroform fraction

The chloroform soluble fraction (10 g) was chromatographed on silica gel column (300 g, 5×120 cm) and elution was performed with *n*-hexane-acetone gradient. Fractions of 150 ml were collected, concentrated and screened by silica gel TLC using system I. Three fractions were obtained; fraction I (2 g, eluted with *n*-hexane-acetone 90:10), fraction II (4.8 g, eluted with *n*-hexane-acetone 80:20) and fraction III (3 g, eluted with *n*-hexane-acetone 70:30). Fraction II was purified by repeated crystallization from methanol to obtain compound 8 (500 mg). Fraction III was rechromatographed on silica gel column (90 g, 2×75 cm) and eluted with *n*-hexane-acetone (80:20) to yield compound **9** (500 mg).

B- Ethyl acetate fraction

About 15 g of the ethyl acetate soluble fraction was fractionated on silica gel column (450 g, 5×150 cm). Elution was started with chloroform followed by chloroform-methanol gradient. Fractions of 300 ml were collected, concentrated under reduced pressure and monitored by silica gel TLC using system I. Similar fractions were combined to give five fractions; fraction I (800 mg, eluted with chloroform), fraction II (3 g, eluted with chloroform-methanol 95:5), fraction III (3.2 g, eluted with chloroform-methanol 90:10), fraction IV (4 g, eluted with chloroformmethanol 85:15) and fraction V (3.8 g, eluted with chloroform-methanol 80:20). About 2 g of each of fraction Π and III was rechromatographed on ODS column (300 g, 5×120 cm) using water-methanol (1:1) to afford pure compounds 10 (70 mg) and 11 (100 mg), respectively. Each of fraction IV and V was purified by repeated crystallization from methanol to yield compound 12 (300 mg) and compound 13 (200 mg), respectively.

Acid hydrolysis

Five mg portion of each of the isolated glycosides was dissolved in 5 ml methanol to which 5 ml of N/2 methanolic sulphuric acid was added. The mixture was refluxed for 3 hours on a water-bath and cooled. The aglycone was extracted with chloroform, purified and subjected to TLC. The produced sugars were identified by silica gel TLC using system IV.

Compound 1

White crystals [methanol], (500 mg), m.p 140-142°, $R_f = 0.50$ (system II), FAB-MS at m/z: 296 [M+1]⁺ for $C_{14}H_{17}O_6N$. ¹H-NMR spectrum (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 3.07-3.10 (4H, m, H-2',3',4',5'), 3.52 (1H, dd, J= 5.50, 11.72 Hz, H-6'b), 3.72 (1H, dd, J= 6.60, 11.72 Hz, H-6'a), 4.22 (1H, d, J= 7.30 Hz, H-1'), 6.03 (1H, s, H-7), 7.48 (3H, m, H-3, 4, 5), 7.57 (2H, m, H-2, 6). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (150 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 61. 11 (t, C-6'), 66.59 (d, C-7), 69.87 (d, C-4'), 73.17 (d, C-2'), 76.51 (d, C-3'), 77.24 (d, C-5'), 101.15 (d, C-1'), 118.72 (s, <u>C</u>N), 127.35 (d, C-2,6), 128.95 (d, C-3,5), 129.60 (d, C-4), 133.69 (s, C-1).

Compound 2

Yellow amorphous powder, (300 mg), $R_f = 0.50$ (system III), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 265, 289sh, 351; NaOMe: 275, 324sh, 401; AlCl₃: 273, 348, 395; AlCl₃/HCl: 275, 348, 394; NaOAc: 274, 305, 375: NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 265, 351. ¹H-NMR spectrum (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 3.07-3.60 (sugar protons), 5.38 (1H, d, *J*= 7.56 Hz, H-1"), 6.17 (1H, d, *J*= 2.00 Hz, H-6), 6.40 (1H, d, *J*= 2.00 Hz, H-8), 6.84 (2H, d, *J*= 8.00 Hz, H-3', 5'), 8.05 (2H, d, *J*= 8.00 Hz, H-2', 6'), 12.59 (1H, s, 5-OH). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 60.21 (C-6"), 67.90 (C-4"),

71.24 (C-2"), 73.12 (C-3"), 75.81 (C-5"), 93.76 (C-8), 98.82 (C-6), 101.72 (C-1"), 103.87 (C-10), 115.15 (C-3',5'), 120.90 (C-1'), 131.07 (C-2',6'), 133.24 (C-3), 156.34 (C-2), 156.44 (C-9), 160.11 (C-5,4'), 161.23 (C-7), 177.53 (C-4).

Compound 3

Yellow amorphous powder, (200 mg), $R_f =$ 0.59 (system III), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 265, 300sh, 351; NaOMe: 273, 322sh, 404; AlCl₃: 275, 302sh, 346, 400; AlCl₃/HCl: 275, 348, 403; NaOAc: 273, 371; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 264, 351. ¹H-NMR spectrum (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 3.07-3.60 (sugar protons), 5.43 (1H, d, J=7.56 Hz, H-1"), 6.17 (1H, d, J= 2.00 Hz, H-6), 6.39 (1H, d, J= 2.00 Hz, H-8), 6.87 (2H, d, J= 8.00 Hz, H-3',5'), 8.02 (2H, d, J= 8.00 Hz, H-2', 6'), 12.56 (1H, s, 5-OH). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 60.90 (C-6"), 69.95 (C-4"), 74.29 (C-2"), 76.48 (C-3"), 77.54 (C-5"), 93.85 (C-8), 98.97 (C-6), 100.98 (C-1"), 103.81 (C-10), 115.20 (C-3',5'), 120.98 (C-1'), 130.95 (C-2', 6'), 133.21 (C-3), 156.23 (C-2), 156.54 (C-9), 160.04 (C-4'), 161.26 (C-5), 164.99 (C-7), 177.44 (C-4).

Compound 4

Yellow amorphous powder, (200 mg), $R_f =$ 0.44 (system III), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 257, 269sh, 362; NaOMe: 272, 324sh, 409; AlCl₃: 273, 305sh, 438; AlCl₃/HCl: 273, 348, 405; NaOAc: 274, 324, 375; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 265, 298, 377. ¹H-NMR spectrum (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 3.08-3.64 (sugar protons), 5.45 (1H, d, J= 7.32 Hz, H-1"), 6.19 (1H, d, J= 1.68 Hz, H-6), 6.39 (1H, d, J= 1.68 Hz, H-8), 6.83 (1H, d, J= 8.48 Hz, H-5'), 7.53 (1H, d, J= 2.2 Hz, H-2'), 7.57 (1H, dd, J= 2.2, 8.48 Hz, H-6'), 12.62 (1H, s, 5-OH). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ 61.03 (C-6"), 69.99 (C-4"), 74.17 (C-2"), 76.56 (C-3"), 77.62 (C-5"), 93.62 (C-8), 98.78 (C-6), 100.93 (C-1"), 104.02 (C-10), 115.29 (C-2'), 116.27 (C-5'), 121.24 (C-1'), 121.68 (C-6'), 133.38 (C-3), 144.89 (C-3'), 148.55 (C-4'), 156.25 (C-2) 156.41 (C-9), 161.30 (C-5), 164.31 (C-7), 177.50 (C-4).

Compound 5

White crystals [methanol], (500 mg), m.p 149-151°, $R_f = 0.21$ (system II), FAB-MS at

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Compound	R ₁	R ₂
1	CN	glucose
5	CONH ₂	glucose
7	CN	glucose-glucose



Compound	R ₁	R_2
2	galactose	Н
3	glucose	Η
4	glucose	OH
6	galactose-glucose	Η



Compound	R_1	R ₂	R ₃	R4	R5
8	Н	Η	CH ₃	OH	CH ₃
9	Н	Н	Н	Н	Η
10	OH	Η	Η	Η	Η
11	Η	Η	Η	OH	Η
12	Η	Н	CH ₃	O-glucose	CH3
13	Н	glucose	Н	OH	CH ₃

m/*z*: 314 $[M+1]^+$ for C₁₄H₁₉O₇N. IR (KBr), v_{max} cm⁻¹: 3410, 3300, 2925, 1671, 1449, 1424, 1075, 1022. ¹H-NMR spectrum (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 2.89 (1H, ddd, *J*= 2.10, 6.60, 8.20 Hz, H-5'), 3.04 (2H, m, H-3', 4'), 3.13 (1H, dd, *J*= 7.70, 9.50 Hz, H-2'), 3.42 (1H, dd, *J*= 6.60, 11.70 Hz, H-6'b), 3.65 (1H, dd, *J*= 2.10, 11.70 Hz, H-6'a), 3.87 (1H, d, *J*= 7.70 Hz, H-1'), 5.16 (1H, s, H-7), 7.35 (3H, m, H-3, 4, 5), 7.45 (2H, m, H-2, 6). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 61.09 (t, C-6'), 70.18 (d, C-4'), 73.47 (d, C-2'), 75.89 (d, C-3'), 77.17 (d, C-7), 77.41 (d, C-5'), 98.62 (d, C-1'), 127.81 (d, C-2,6), 128.14 (d, C-4), 128.16 (d, C-3 5), 136.75 (s, C-1), 171.95 (s, <u>C</u>O).

Compound 6

Yellow amorphous powder, (50 mg), $R_f = 0.34$ (system III), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 267, 289sh, 350; NaOMe: 271, 323sh, 398; AlCl₃: 274, 345, 395; AlCl₃/HCl: 274, 345, 395; NaOAc: 274, 352; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 267, 351. FAB-MS at *m*/*z*: 611 [M+1]⁺ for C₂₇H₃₀ O₁₆. ¹H- NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): Table 1. ¹³C-NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): Table 1.

Position	¹³ C	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	HMBC
2	156.42 C		2,6
3	134.34 C		1
4	177.63 C		
5	164.33 C		6
6	98.16 CH	6.28 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 1.83)	5, 7, 8, 10
7	166.93 C		6, 8
8	93.75 CH	6.50 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 1.83)	6, 7, 9, 10
9	156.42 C		8
10	104.00 C		6, 8
1	120.36 C		3,5
2,6	130.46 CH	7.76 (2H, d, <i>J</i> = 8.75)	2, 4
3,5	115.42 CH	6.97 (2H, d, <i>J</i> = 8.75)	1
4	157.15 C		2,6
1	101.84 CH	5.16 (1H, d, <i>J</i> =4.00)	3, 3
2	69.63 CH	4.08 (1H, m)	4
3	68.91 CH	3.40 (1H, m)	1,4
4	81.93 CH	3.40 (1H, m)	2,3,5,1
5	70.26 CH	3.74 (1H, m)	4
6	60.80* CH ₂	3.44 (1H, m)	
		3.61 (1H, m)	
1	104.65 CH	4.31 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 8.0)	4,2
2	74.40 CH	3.00 (1H, m)	1,3
3	76.89 CH	3.16 (1H, m)	2,4
4	69.74 CH	3.07 (1H, m)	3
5	76.55 CH	3.44 (1H, m)	
6	60.91* CH ₂	3.44 (1H, m)	
		3.61 (1H, m)	
5-OH		12.59 (1H, s)	

Table 1: NMR spectral data of compound 6 in DMSO-d6.

*The assignments may be interchangeable J value in Hz.

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Compound 7

White crystals [methanol], (40 mg), m.p 223-226°, $R_f =0.26$ (system III), FAB-MS at m/z: 458 [M+1]⁺ for $C_{20}H_{27}O_{11}N$. ¹H-NMR spectrum (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 3.00-4.04 (sugar protons), 4.26 (1H, d, J= 7.80 Hz, H-1″), 4.42 (1H, d, J= 7.80 Hz, H-1′), 5.99 (1H, s, H-7), 7.51 (3H, m, H-3,4,5), 7.58 (2H, m, H-2 6). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (150 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 61.04 (t, C-6″), 66.77 (d, C-7), 68.47(t, C-6′), 70.05 (d, C-4″), 70.08 (C-4′), 73.13 (C-2″), 73.73 (d, C-2′), 76.47 (d, C-3′), 76.54 (C-3″, 5″), 76.74 (d, C-5′), 101.58 (d, C-1″), 103.68 (d, C-1′), 118.81 (s, <u>C</u>N), 127.28 (d, C-2,6), 128.93 (d, C-4), 129.09 (d, C-3,5), 133.86 (s, C-1).

Compound 8

Colourless needles [methanol], (500 mg), m.p 165-167°, $R_f = 0.85$ (system I), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 285, 332; NaOMe: 286, 335; AlCl₃: 309, 365; AlCl₃/HCl: 308, 365; NaOAc: 285, 332; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 285, 331. FAB-MS at m/z: 317 $[M+1]^+$ for $C_{17}H_{16}$ O₆. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 2.78 (1H, dd, J= 2.93, 17.22 Hz, H-3eq), 3.07 (1H, dd, J= 12.82, 17.22 Hz, H-3ax), 3.81 (3H, s, 4'-OCH₃), 3.91 $(3H. s. 7-OCH_3)$, 5.32 (1H. dd. J=2.93, 12.82 Hz, H-2), 6.05 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-6), 6.07 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-8), 6.88 (1H, d, J= 8.43 Hz, H-5'), 6.92 (1H, dd, J= 2.20, 8.43 Hz, H-6'), 7.04 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-2'), 12.00 (1H, s, 5-OH). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (150 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ 43.28 (t, C-3), 55.75 (q, 4'-OCH₃), 56.15 (q, 7-OCH₃), 79.04 (d, C-2), 94.32 (d, C-8), 95.20 (d, C-6), 103.24 (s, C-10), 110.78 (d, C-5'), 112.77 (d, C-2'), 118.22 (d, C-6'), 131.67 (s, C-1'), 146.06 (s, C-3'), 147.09 (s, C-4'), 162.94 (s, C-9), 164.22 (s, C-5), 168.07 (s, C-7), 196.04 (s, C-4).

Compound 9

Yellow needles [methanol], (500 mg), m.p 225-227°, $R_f = 0.51$ (system I), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 291, 328sh; NaOMe: 243, 325; AlCl₃: 310, 374; AlCl₃/HCl: 310, 371; NaOAc: 284sh, 322; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 291, 332sh. FAB-MS at m/z: 273 [M+1]⁺ for C₁₅H₁₂O₅. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 2.68 (1H, dd, J= 2.93, 17.22 Hz, H-3eq), 3.26 (1H, dd, J= 12.82, 17.22 Hz, H-3ax), 5.44 (1H, dd, J= 2.93, 12.82 Hz, H-2), 5.88 (2H, br s, H-6, 8), 6.80 (2H, d, J= 8.79, H-3', 5'), 7.32 (2H, d, J= 8.79, H-2',

6'), 12.14 (1H, s, 5-OH). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (150 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 41.93 (t, C-3), 78.36 (d, C-2), 94.94 (d, C-8), 95.76 (d, C-6), 101.69 (s, C-10), 115.11 (d, C-3',5'), 128.24 (d, C-2', 6'), 128.82 (s, C-1'), 157.69 (s, C-4'), 162.88 (s, C-9), 163.44 (s, C-5), 166.69 (s, C-7), 196.25 (s, C-4).

Compound 10

Yellowish brown crystals [methanol], (70 mg), m.p 220-222°, $R_f = 0.40$ (system I), UV (λ_{max}, nm MeOH): 290, 327sh; NaOMe: 245, 325; AlCl₃: 274sh, 316, 382; AlCl₃/HCl: 280sh, NaOAc: 254, 311. 378; 284sh, 327: NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 295, 336sh. FAB-MS at *m/z*: 289 $[M+1]^+$ for C₁₅H₁₂O₆. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 4.58 (1H, d, J= 11.36 Hz, H-3), 5.06 (1H, d, J= 11.36 Hz, H-2), 5.86 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-8), 5.91 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-6), 6.79 (2H, d, J= 8.79 Hz, H-3',5'), 7.31 (2H, d, J= 8.79, H-2',6'), 11.90 (1H, s, 5-OH). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (150 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 71.44 (d, C-3), 82.86 (d, C-2), 95.00 (d, C-8), 96.02 (d, C-6), 100.41 (s, C-10), 114.89 (d, C-3',5'), 128.83 (s, C-1'), 129.41 (d, C-2', 6'), 157.71 (s, C-4'), 162.55 (s, C-9), 163.98 (s, C-5), 166.89 (s, C-7), 197.76 (s, C-4).

Compound 11

Pale yellow powder, (100 mg), $R_f = 0.37$ (system I), UV (λ_{max}, nm MeOH): 289, 324sh; NaOMe: 246, 322; AlCl₃: 307, 378; AlCl₃/HCl: 307, 373; NaOAc: 289, 323; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 290, 333sh. FAB-MS at m/z: 289 $[M+1]^+$ for C₁₅H₁₂ O₆. ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 2.68 (1H, dd, J= 2.75, 16.95 Hz, H-3eq), 3.17 (1H, dd, J = 12.37, 16.95 Hz, H-3ax), 5.38 (1H, 100)dd, J= 2.75, 12.37 Hz, H-2), 5.87 (2H, br s, H-6, 8), 6.74 (2H, br s, H-5',6'), 6.87 (1H, br s, H-2'), 12.13 (1H, s, 5-OH). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (125 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ 42.03 (t, C-3), 78.37 (d, C-2), 94.94 (d, C-8), 95.73 (d, C-6), 101.69 (s, C-10), 114.27 (d, C-2'), 115.28 (d, C-5'), 117.86 (s, C-6'), 129.43 (s, C-1'), 145.14 (s, C-3'), 145.65 (s, C-4'), 162.83 (s, C-9), 163.44 (s, C-5), 166.74 (s, C-7), 196.20 (s, C-4).

Compound 12

White powder, (300 mg), $R_f = 0.26$ (system I), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 286, 332; NaOMe: 286, 334; AlCl₃: 308, 365; AlCl₃/HCl: 308, 365; NaOAc: 285, 333; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 285, 333. FAB-MS at m/z: 479 $[M+1]^+$ for $C_{23}H_{26}O_{11}$. ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, DMSO- d_6): Table 2. ¹³C-NMR (150 MHz, DMSO- d_6): Table 2.

Compound 13

White powder, (200 mg), $R_f = 0.10$ (system I), UV (λ_{max} , nm MeOH): 281, 325; NaOMe: 242, 325; AlCl₃: 282, 326; AlCl₃/HCI: 282, 326; NaOAc: 255, 322; NaOAc/H₃BO₃: 281, 325. FAB-MS at *m/z*: 465 [M+1]⁺ for C₂₂H₂₄O₁₁. ¹H-NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 2.65 (1H, dd, *J*= 3.21, 16.95 Hz, H-3*eq*), 2.98 (1H, dd, J= 12.83, 16.95 Hz, H-3ax), 3.21 (1H, t, J= 9.0 Hz, H-4″), 3.29 (2H, m, H-2″, 3″), 3.34 (1H, ddd, J= 2.60, 5.50, 9.00 Hz, H-5″), 3.54 (1H, dd, J= 5.50, 11.50 Hz, H-6″b), 3.74 (1H, dd, J= 2.60, 11.50 Hz, H-6″a), 3.78 (3H, s, 4′-OCH₃), 4.71 (1H, d, J= 7.30 Hz, H-1″), 5.37 (1H, dd, J= 3.21, 12.83 Hz, H-2), 6.10 (1H, d, J= 2.29 Hz, H-8), 6.41 (1H, d, J= 2.29 Hz, H-6), 6.87 (1H, dd, J= 2.29, 8.71 Hz, H-6′), 6.91 (1H, d, J= 2.29 Hz, H-2′), 6.93 (1H, d, J= 8.71 Hz, H-5′), 9.06 (1H, s, 7-OH). ¹³C-NMR spectrum (125 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 44.62

Table 2: NMR spectral data of compound 12 in DMSO-

Position	¹³ C (lit ²⁶)	¹³ C	¹ H	HMBC
2	79.2	78.55 CH	5.51 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 2.75, 12.83)	3 <i>ax</i> , 2, 6
3eq	41.9	41.92 CH ₂	2.76 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 2.75, 16.95)	4
3ax			3.34 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 12.83, 16.95)	2
4	196.7	196.80 C		3eq
5	167.4	163.13 C		5-OH, 6
6	95.3	94.64 CH	6.09 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 2.29)	5-OH, 5, 7,
				8, 10
7	146.2	167.41 ^a C		6, 8, 7-
				OCH ₃
8	93.7	93.82 CH	6.14 (1H, d, <i>J</i> =2.29)	6, 7, 9, 10
9	162.7	162.73 C		8
10	102.5	102.57 C		6, 8
1	120.5	130.64 ^b C		5
2	113.7	113.84 CH	7.25 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 2.29)	2, 3, 4, 6
3	163.1	146.31 ^a C		2,5,1
4	149.1	149.16 C		2,5,6,4-
				OCH ₃
5	112.1	112.21 CH	7.01 (1H, d, <i>J</i> = 8.71)	1,3,4
6	130.6	120.57 ^b CH	7.08 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 2.29, 8.71)	2, 2, 4
1	99.7	99.74 CH	4.95 (1H, d, <i>J</i> =7.33)	3,3
2	73.0	73.12 CH	3.28 (1H, m)	3,4
3	76.9	76.97 CH	3.28 (1H, m)	4,1
4	69.7	69.72 CH	3.15 (1H, t, <i>J</i> =9.00)	3,5
5	76.9	77.01 CH	3.28 (1H, m)	4,6
6	60.6	60.60 CH ₂	3.47 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 6.42, 12.37)	5
			3.65 (1H, dd, <i>J</i> = 1.83, 12.37)	
4 -OCH ₃	55.8	55.85 CH ₃	3.78 (3H,s)	4
$7-OCH_3$	55.6	55.71 CH ₃	3.70 (3H, s)	7
5-OH			12.01 (1H, s)	5,6

^{a,b}Revised assignments.

J value in Hz.

(t, C-3), 55.69 (q, 4'-OCH₃), 60.71 (t, C-6"), 69.63 (d, C-4"), 73.43 (d, C-2"), 75.59 (d, C-3"), 77.52 (d, C-5"), 77.95 (d, C-2), 97.69 (d, C-8), 98.81 (d, C-6), 103.32 (d, C-1"), 105.45 (s, C-10), 112.02 (d, C-5'), 113.96 (d, C-2'), 117.55 (d, C-6'), 131.27 (s, C-1'), 146.44 (s, C-3'), 147.80 (s, C-4'), 160.58 (s, C-5), 164.06 (s, C-9), 164.84 (s, C-7), 189.80 (s, C-4).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The molecular formula for compound 1 was deduced as $C_{14}H_{17}O_6N$ from FAB-MS, m/z296 [M+1]⁺. Its ¹H-NMR spectrum showed signals at δ 7.48 and 7.57, representing a typical pattern for monosubstituted benzene ring and a sharp singlet signal at δ 6.03 assigned for an oxygen bearing methine proton. Also, it showed a characteristic doublet for an anomeric proton at δ 4.22 with high J value (J=7.33 Hz) indicated the β -configuration of glycosidic linkage.¹⁷ The ¹³C-NMR the spectrum and DEPT experiment displayed signals at δ 61.11 (d), 69.87 (d), 73.17 (d), 76.51 (d), 77.24 (d) and 101.15 (d) were to β -glucopyranosyl corresponding one moiety.¹⁷ In addition, four signals attributed to monosubstituted benzene ring appeared at δ 127.35 (d), 128.95 (d), 129.60 (d) and 133.69 (s). Also, they revealed one methine group at δ 66.59 (d) and a carbon signal at δ 118.72(q) of CN group. The HSQC spectral analysis of compound 1 assigned significantly the correlation between each carbon and its attached protons while directly the interpretation of the proton-proton couplings were established by measurements of ¹H-¹H COSY. The HMBC spectrum showed cross peaks between the proton signal at δ 6.03 (H-7) and the carbon signals at δ 118.72 (CN), 133.69 (C-1) and 127.35 (C-2, 6). Also, the anomeric proton signal at δ 4.22 showed longrange correlation with carbon signal at δ 66.59 (C-7). The previous spectral data are in good agreement those reported with for mandelonitrile- β -D-glucopyranoside (prunasin).^{18, 19}

Compound 7, was assigned the molecular formula $C_{20}H_{27}O_{11}N$ from its FAB-MS, m/z 458 $[M+1]^+$. The ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectral data of compound 7 were very similar to those of compound 1 with an additional β -

glucopyranosyl moiety. This was confirmed by the existence of two anomeric signals at δ 4.42 (d. J=7.80 Hz, H-1'), δ 103.68 (d. C-1'), δ 4.26 (d, J=7.80 Hz, H-1") and δ 101.58 (d, C-1"), indicating its bioside nature.¹⁷ The downfield shift of C-6' at δ 68.47 indicated the interglycosidic linkage to be $(1'' \rightarrow 6')$.¹⁷ The identity of the two sugars and their sequence were assigned by the ¹H-¹H COSY, HSQC and HMBC spectra. Compound 7 was concluded to be mandelonitrile- β -D-glucopyranosyl- $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ glucopyranoside (amygdalin) β-Dbv comparison of its ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectral data with those reported.^{18,20} Prunasin and amygdalin were reported from the leaves of Prunus serotina and Prunus virginiana²¹ and this is the first report for their occurrence in the leaves of the title plant.

The FAB-MS of compound 5 showed $[M+1]^+$ at m/z 314 was consistent with the molecular formula $C_{14}H_{19}O_7N$. The IR spectrum showed a strong amide absorption band at 1671 cm⁻¹. The ¹H-NMR spectrum was similar to that of compound 1 (prunasin). It showed signals at δ 7.35 and 7.45 corresponding to a monosubstituted aromatic ring, a methine proton at δ 5.16 and an anomeric proton of one glucopyranosyl moiety at δ 3.87 with a coupling constant $J_{1',2'}$ of 7.70 Hz, indicated the β -configuration. Its ¹³C-NMR spectrum exhibited the same pattern of compound 1 but contained a carbonyl resonance at δ 171.95 instead of <u>CN</u> resonance at δ 118.72. From the previous data and comparison with the reported data,¹⁹ compound 5 was identified as mandelic acid amide- β -Dglucopyranoside which was isolated for the first time from the genus Prunus. This compound can be considerd as the product of hydration of nitrile group of prunasin.¹⁹

The UV spectral data in methanol for compounds 2-4 indicated their nature as C-3 substituted flavonols.²² They were OH identified as kaempferol-3-O-β-Dgalactopyranoside (trifolin), kaempferol-3-O-B-D-glucopyranoside (astragalin), and quercetin- $3-O-\beta$ -D-gluco-pyranoside by direct comparison of their spectral data with literature data^{3,22-24}. Acid hydrolysis followed by co-TLC for each of the aglycone and sugar part authentic samples confirmed their with structures.

FAB-MS of compound **6** showed $[M+1]^+$ peak at m/z 611 consistent with the molecular formula $C_{27}H_{30}O_{16}$. The UV spectral data in methanol indicating its C-3 OH substituted flavonol nature.²² Study of the effects of ionizing and complexing agents indicated the presence of free hydroxyl groups at C-5, C-7 and C-4'. Its ¹H-NMR spectral data (Table 1) showed signals in the aromatic region at δ 6.28 and 6.50 (each 1H, d, J= 1.83 Hz) for H-6 and H-8, respectively, another two doublets appeared at δ 6.97 and 7.76 (each 2H, d, J= 8.80 Hz) for H-3', 5' and H-2', 6', respectively. In addition, two anomeric protons appeared as two doublets at δ 5.16 (J= 4.00 Hz, H-1") and 4.31 (J= 8.00 Hz, H-1^{'''}). The anomeric proton signal of the terminal sugar (H-1"') resonated upfield relative to that of the primary sugar (H-1"), indicating its O-sugar-sugar linkage, which support the suggestion of 3-diglycosylated kaempferol structure.²³ The small coupling constant of the first anomeric signal indicated its α -configuration and the high coupling constant of the second anomeric proton indicated the β -configuration.²³ The ¹³C-NMR spectral data (Table 1) revealed carbon signals for kaempferol derivative^{24,25} and two anomeric signals at δ 101.84 (d, C-1") and δ 104.65 (d, C-1"') together with 10 carbons in the region of sugars. The ¹³C-NMR chemical shifts of the two hexoses are consistent with those corresponding to one α -D-galactopyranosyl and one β -D-glucopyranosyl moiety.¹⁷ The downfield shift of C-4" at δ 81.93 suggesting that the interglycosidic linkage is β -Dglucopyranosyl- $(1''' \rightarrow 4'')$ - α -D-

galactopyranoside. In the HMBC spectrum (Table 1), the two anomeric proton signals at δ 4.31 (H-1^{'''}) and 5.16 (H-1^{''}) showed strong correlations with the carbon signals at δ 81.93 (C-4^{''}) and 134.34 (C-3), respectively. Furthermore, a careful analysis of the ¹H-¹H COSY and HMBC spectra enabled the identification of all protons and carbons of the two sugars. From the above evidence, the structure of compound **6** was concluded to be kaempferol-3-*O*-[β -D-glucopyranosyl-(1 \rightarrow 4)- α -D-galactopyranoside] which was isolated for the first time from the genus *Prunus*.

Compound **8** was found to have the molecular formula $C_{17}H_{16}O_6$ as deduced from FAB-MS, *m/z* at 317 [M+1]⁺. The UV data and

the study of the effect of ionizing and complexing agents on the UV absorption of compound 8 suggested a flavanone nucleus having a free hydroxyl group at C-5.²² The ¹H-NMR spectrum established its structure as a flavanone derivative by the appearance of three aliphatic protons of ring C at δ 2.78 (1H, dd, J= 2.93, 17.22 Hz, H-3eq), 3.07 (1H, dd, J= 12.82, 17.22 Hz, H-3ax) and 5.32 (1H. dd. J= 2.93. 12.82 Hz, H-2).²³ Also, it displayed three aromatic protons of ring B with a characteristic ABX-type coupling at δ 6.88 (1H, d, J= 8.43) Hz, H-5'), 6.92 (1H, dd, J= 2.20, 8.43 Hz, H-6'), 7.04 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-2'). In addition, one set of *meta*-coupled aromatic protons at δ 6.05 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-6), 6.07 (1H, d, J= 2.20 Hz, H-8) and two methoxyl groups at δ 3.80 and 3.91 (each 3H, s). The C-2 and C-3 shifts in the ¹³C-NMR spectrum, were in good accord with the reported values for flavanones.^{24,25} The HMBC spectrum showed cross peaks between H-2' (δ 7.04) and C-2, C-3', C-4' and C-6' (\$ 79.04, 146.06, 147.09 and 118.22). Also, the two proton signals at δ 6.88 (H-5') and 6.92 (H-6') showed cross peaks with C-3' (δ 146.06) and C-4' (δ 147.09), respectively. The signals of the methoxyl groups at δ 3.81 and 3.91 showed distinct cross peaks with C-4' (δ 147.09) and C-7 (δ 168.07), respectively. On the basis of these data, compound 8 was identified as 5,3'-dihydroxy-7,4'-dimethoxy flavanone (persicogenin).

The molecular formula of compound 12 was deduced as $C_{23}H_{26}O_{11}$ from its FAB-MS, m/z at 479 [M+1]⁺. Its ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectral data (Table 2) exhibited signals similar to compound 8 (persicogenin) and one β -Dglucopyranosyl moiety by the appearance of anomeric signals at δ 4.95 (1H, d, J= 7.33 Hz, H-1") and δ 99.74 (d, C-1").¹⁷ All the carbons and their directly attached protons were well confirmed by the HSQC spectrum. Furthermore, acid hydrolysis of compound 12 gave glucose and persicogenin (by direct comparison with authentic samples, co-TLC and m.m.p). From these data, compound 12 could be identified as persicogenin 3'-O-B-Dglucopyranoside. The study of HMBC spectrum of compound 12 led to revised assignments of the previously reported ¹³C-NMR resonances²⁶ of C-7/C-3' and C-1'/C-6' (Table 2).

Compounds **9-11** were identified as naringenin, dihydrokaempferol (aromadendrin) and eriodictyol, respectively by comparison of their spectral properties with literature data.²²⁻²⁵

FAB-MS of compound 13 showed $[M+1]^+$ peak at m/z 465 consistent with the molecular formula C₂₂H₂₄O₁₁. The UV data showed characteristic absorption of flavanones.²² The study of the effect of ionizing and complexing agents suggested a free 7-OH group and substituted 5-OH group.²² The ¹H-NMR spectrum exhibited one methoxy group at δ 3.78 (3H, s) and protons of C-2 and C-3 of a flavanone at δ 2.65 (1H, dd, J= 3.21, 16.95 Hz, H-3eq), 2.98 (1H, dd, J= 12.83, 16.95 Hz, H-3ax) and 5.37 (1H, dd, J= 3.21, 12.83 Hz, H-2).²³ In addition, it displayed two aromatic *meta*-coupled protons of ring A at δ 6.10 (H-8) and 6.41 (H-6) (each 1H, d, J= 2.29 Hz) and three aromatic protons of ring B with an ABXtype coupling at δ 6.87 (1H, dd, *J*= 2.29, 8.71 Hz, H-6'), 6.91 (1H, d, J= 2.29 Hz, H-2') and δ 6.93 (1H, d, J= 8.71 Hz, H-5'). Furthermore, a characteristic doublet of an anomeric proton at δ 4.71 (1H, d, J= 7.03 Hz) indicated the presence of β -D-glucopyranosyl moiety.^{17,23} The ¹³C-NMR data revealed characteristic signals of flavanones at δ 44.62 (t, C-3) and 77.95 (d, C-2)^{24,25} and an anomeric carbon of β -D-glucopyranosyl moiety¹⁷ at δ 103.32 (d, C-1"). The HSQC spectrum allowed the identification of all carbons and their protons. In the HMBC spectrum each of the proton signal at δ 6.87 (H-6') showed strong correlations with carbon signals at δ 77.95, 112.02 and 147.80 (C-2, C-2' and C-4'). Furthermore, the proton signal at δ 6.91 (H-2') showed cross peaks with three carbon signals at δ 77.95, 117.55, 131.27 and 147.80 (C-2, C-6', C-1' and C-4'). Also, the proton signal at δ 6.93 (H-5') was correlated with carbon signals at δ 131.27 and 146.44 (C-1', C-3'). In addition, the proton signal of methoxyl group was correlated with C-4' (δ 3.78/147.80). The presence of strong correlations between the proton signals at δ 4.71 (H-1") and 6.41 (H-6) with the C-5 signal at δ 160.58 confirmed the glycosidic linkage at position 5 of the aglycone. Consequently, compound 13 was identified as hesperitin 5-O- β -D-glucopyranoside.

In the course of the present work, it was observed that the flavonoids isolated from the

leaves belong entirely to flavonols, while those isolated from the stem bark belong to flavanones and dihydroflavonols.

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