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# COMPOSITION COMPRISING ISOORIENTIN FOR SUPPRESSING HISTAMINE

## TECHNICAL FIELD

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The present invention relates to a pharmaceutical composition for the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by excessive histamine comprising isoorientin as an active ingredient, a use of isoorientin for the manufacture of a medicament for the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by excessive histamine, and a method for preventing or treating diseases mediated by excessive histamine in a subject, comprising 10 administering a therapeutically effective amount of isoorientin to the subject.

## BACKGROUND ART

15 Histamine is a physiologically active substance which is present in blood and various kinds of tissue. Structurally, histamine is also referred as aminoethyl imidazole wherein imidazole ring and amine group are attached to two methylene groups. Histamine can be found in almost all tissues of animal, and is even present in various kinds 20 of toxin, bacteria or plant. Skin, bronchus, intestinal mucosa, etc. contain an abundance of histamine. In blood, basophil contains an abundance of histamine. These cells containing histamine can synthesize histamine by L-histidine decarboxylase from histidine. Non-mast cell in epidermis, gastric mucosa, nerve cell in the central nervous system, etc.

also can synthesize histamine.

In the human body, histamine is metabolized in two pathways.

In the main pathway, imidazole ring is converted into N-methylhistamine by N-methyltransferase, and then the N-methylhistamine is converted into N-methylimidazole 5 acetic acid by amonoamine oxidase.

In the other pathway, histamine is oxidatively deaminated by non-specific diamine oxidase. Metabolite of histamine is almost inert, and excreted by urine.

Histamine is known to induce allergy, secrete gastric acid, and function as neurotransmitter in the central nervous system [Corrado ME et al., Arzneimittelforschung, 10 54(10) 660-5, 2004, Salmun LM., Expert Opin Investig Drugs, 11(2) 259-73, 2002, Scannell RT et al., Mini Rev Med Chem., 4(9) 923-33, 2004, Kapp A et al., J Drugs Dermatol., 3(6) 632-9, 200. Orzechowski RF et al., Eur J Pharmacol., 506(3) 257-64, 2005].

First, reviewing the role of histamine in allergy reaction, upon exposure to antigen, 15 antibody (IgE) is produced, which then attaches to a surface of mast cell and basophil to cause histamine release via membrane-phosphorylation. Histamine is a finished form stored in mast cell. Thus, when antigen interacts with IgE antibody in the surface of mast cell, it is released. Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub> is also activated, and so platelet activation factor (PAF), or metabolite of arachidonate such as prostaglandin, leukotriene D<sub>4</sub>, etc. is 20 produced and released along with histamine.

Second, pneumogastric nerves or gastrin may accelerate gastric acid secretion, but histamine is the most important substance which regulates gastric acid secretion. When

$H_2$  receptor blocking drug is used, acid secretion by acetylcholine or gastrin as well as acid secretion by histamine are all blocked. Thus, histamine is considered functioning as a final mediator in physiological acid secretion mechanism.

Lastly, reviewing the role of histamine in the central nervous system, histamine 5 functions as neurotransmitter. It is known that  $H_1$  receptor is highly distributed in thalamus, hypothalamus, cerebellum and prosencephalon. These nerve cells regulate body temperature, ADH's secretion, blood pressure, drinking water, etc., all of which are mediated by  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  receptor.

Histamine which functions as shown above is released from mast cell by various 10 kinds of drug as well as inflammation or allergic reaction. In therapeutic drugs, various kinds of alkaloid such as morphine, codeine, atropine, etc.; antibiotics; tubocurarine; succinylcholine; radiation contrast media; and plasma expander such as dextran, polyvinylpyrrolidone, etc. cause histamine release.

Histamine release can be inhibited by cAMP-increasing drug such as adrenergic 15 agonist, various kinds of esterase-inhibiting substance, energy production enzyme-inhibiting substance (fluorine), chymotrypsin-inhibiting substance, etc. Cromolyn sodium stabilizes cell membrane of mast cell to inhibit release of histamine and leukotriene D<sub>4</sub> in bronchial mucosa, and so is used for the prevention of bronchial asthma attack.

20 Therefore, histamine is a primary mediator in allergic reaction, and functions solely or with other factors for asthma, rhinitis and skin disease such as urticaria and atopic dermatitis [Scannell RT et al., Mini Rev Med Chem., 4(9) 923-33, 2004, Imaizumi A et al.,

J Dermatol Sci., 33(1) 23-9, 2003, Kapp A et al., J Drugs Dermatol., 3(6) 632-9, 2004]. Also, histamine affects cold, nausea and emesis, hyperacidity, gastroesophageal reflux disease, duodenal ulcer, inflammation, and hypothermia and hypotension related to anaphylaxis [Latsen JS., Pharmacotherapy, 21: 28S-33S, 2001., Leurs R., Clin Exp 5 Allergy 32(4) 489-98, 2002., Makabe-Kobayashi Y et al., J Allergy Clin Immunol., 110(2) 298-303, 2002.]. In order to prevent or treat these diseases, numerous drugs including diphenhydramine, tripeleannamine, chlorpheniramine, meclizine, promethazine, astemizole, etc. have been developed, and it was recently reported that these drugs are useful for nerve protection (dementia) and cognitive function increase [Bachurin S et al., 10 Ann NY Acad Sci., 939:424-35, 2001., Nakazato E. et al., Life Sci., 67(10) 1139-47, 2000].

The present inventors have continued to search natural products to find out substances having anti-histamine activity. As a result, they discovered that aloe, bamboo, rice plant, etc. have anti-histamine activity, and identified that the active ingredient isolated 15 from the above natural substances is isoorientin, to complete the present invention.

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

One object of the present invention is to provide a pharmaceutical composition for 20 the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine comprising naturally-derived isoorientin.

Another object of the present invention is to provide a use of naturally-derived

isoorientin for the manufacture of a medicament for the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine.

Another object of the present invention is to provide a method for preventing or treating diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine in a subject, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of naturally-derived isoorientin to the subject.

#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

10 Fig. 1 is  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR spectrum of isoorientin.

Fig. 2 is  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum of isoorientin,

Fig. 3 is negative HPLC ESI-MS spectirum of isoorientin.

#### **DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION**

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To achieve the above objects, the present invention provides a pharmaceutical composition for the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine comprising naturally-derived isoorientin as an active ingredient.

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The present invention also provides a use of naturally-derived isoorientin for the manufacture of a medicament for the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine.

The present invention also provides a method for preventing or treating diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine in a subject, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of naturally-derived isoorientin to the subject.

5 In the present invention, “diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine” refer to allergic disease, asthma, rhinitis, atopic disease, skin disease, cold, hyperacidity, gastroesophageal reflux disease, duodenal ulcer, inflammation, and nervous system disorder, including atopic dermatitis, urticaria, asthma, dementia, etc.

10 In the present invention, “allergic disease” refers to urticaria, nausea, emesis, atopic dermatitis, anaphylaxis, asthma, rhinitis, etc., and “nervous system disorder” refers to dementia, cognitive function decrease, etc.

In the present invention, it is preferable that the composition comprising isoorientin is particularly aloe, bamboo or rice plant extract.

15 Preferably, the aloe, bamboo or rice plant extract comprising isoorientin is, but not limited to, extract of water, or C<sub>1-4</sub> alcohol such as methanol, ethanol, propanol, butanol, etc., or mixed solvent thereof. In particular, the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is preferably obtained by extracting aloe with 30-80% methanol or ethanol. The bamboo extract comprising isoorientin is preferably obtained by extracting bamboo with water to obtain dehydrated extract, and re-extracting said dehydrated extract with methanol or ethanol. The extract includes a whole extract and its fraction. In addition, the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is preferably obtained from, but not limited to, rind of aloe.

The composition of the present invention can be prepared into conventional pharmaceutical preparations according to conventional methods in the pharmaceutical field, for example, solution such as drinks, syrup, capsule, granule, tablet, powder, pill, ointment, emulsion, gel, skin external preparation such as cream, etc., by optionally mixing it with 5 pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient, etc.; and can be administered orally or parenterally. Preferably, the composition of the present invention may be orally administered in capsule, tablet, and drink, before or after a meal for quick effect.

Capsule, tablet, powder, granule, solution, pill, gel, etc. comprising the composition of the present invention are preferably used as medicine or health care 10 products. In the present invention, "health care products" mean food products prepared and processed in the form of tablet, capsule, powder, granule, solution, pill, gel, etc., by using material or ingredients having useful function to the human body.

The composition of the present invention is appropriately administered depending on the extent of absorption of active ingredients into the body; excretion rate; age, weight, 15 sex, and condition of patient; severity of treated disease; etc. However, generally, it is preferable to administer the present composition to adult by 0.01~500 mg/kg, preferably 0.1~200 mg/kg, per day, 1~3 times a day.

Hereinafter, the present invention will be described in more detail with reference to the following Examples and Experimental Examples, but the scope of the present 20 invention should not be construed to be limited thereby in any manner.

### **Example 1: Extraction and Identification of Isoorientin**

### 1. Isolation of anti-histamine active ingredient

The present inventors tried to select a fraction with best yield and activity among extracts of natural products, and to isolate anti-histamine active ingredient from the fraction. The extracts of natural products were evaporated under reduced pressure, and 5 well dissolved in a small quantity of water. Then, the extracts were fractionated with an equivalent amount of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  to remove non-polar materials, and fractionated with an equivalent amount of BuOH. Since desired isoorientin is present in BuOH layer, the BuOH layer was evaporated under reduced pressure, and then Silica column was carried out thereto. A mixed solvent of  $\text{CHCl}_3$ , MeOH and water was used in the initiation ratio 10 of C:M:W=7:3:1 up to 6:4:1.

Among Silica column fractions, the fraction containing isoorientin was evaporated under reduced pressure, and Sephadex LH20 column was carried out thereto. 100% MeOH was used as elution solvent. Among Sephadex LH20 column fractions, isoorientin was obtained by TLC and HPLC analysis.

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### 2. Identification of active ingredient

Yellow powder  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_{11}$ ;  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  (300MHz, d6-DMSO) and  $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$  (75MHz, d6-DMSO) data was compared with Reference. Refer to *Biosci.Biotechnol. Biochem.*, 67(2), 410-414, 2003.

20 Through *in vitro* analysis, a compound having anti-histamine activity was isolated from aloe, rice plant and bamboo fractions by pursuing activity. NMR spectroscope was used to identify the structure of the isolated compound. In  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectrum (Fig. 1 and

Table 1), a single peak for one proton was observed at  $\delta$  13.64ppm, and most peaks observed in this region are resulted from shifting to low magnetic field by hydrogen bond. At  $\delta$  7.47ppm, doublet ( $J=8.3\text{Hz}$ ) by ortho-coupling with adjacent  $\delta$  6.97ppm, and doublet ( $J=2.2\text{Hz}$ ) by meta-coupling with  $\delta$  7.45ppm were observed. In addition, single peaks for 5 one proton each were observed at  $\delta$  6.72ppm and  $\delta$  6.53ppm. At  $\delta$  4.65ppm, a typical anomeric proton has the coupling constant value of  $J=9.8\text{Hz}$  as doublet, and so it was observed that glucose is bound to.

In  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectrum (Fig. 2), total 21 carbons were observed, in particular, carbonyl carbon at  $\delta$  182.1ppm, and anomeric carbon at  $\delta$  73.5ppm. In negative HPLC 10 ESI-MS spectrum (Fig. 3), parent ion peak was observed at  $m/z$  487, and so the molecular weight was anticipated as  $m/z$  488.

Table 1

$^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR chemical movement against isoorientin

Position	HT ppm) <sup>†</sup>		Reference ppm) <sup>‡</sup>	
	$^1\text{H}$ ppm)	$^{13}\text{C}$ ppm)	$^1\text{H}$ ppm)	$^{13}\text{C}$ ppm)
4		182.0		182.3
2		163.9		164.2
7		163.9		164.1
5	13.64 (1H s 5-OH)	161.1	13.53 (1H s 5-OH)	161
8*		156.7		156.8
4'		150.7		150.3
3'		146.4		146.2
1'		121.4		121.8
6'	7.47 (1H dd, J 8.3 2.2Hz)	119.3	7.42 (1H d J 7.9Hz)	119.5
5'	6.97 (1H d J 8.3Hz)	116.5	6.93 (1H d J 7.9Hz)	116.6
2'	7.45 (1H d J 2.2Hz)	113.4	7.41 (1H s)	113.6
6		109.4		109.2
4*		103.2		103.7
3	6.72 (1H s)	102.9	6.67 (1H s)	103.2
8	6.53 (1H s)	94.1	6.53 (1H s)	94.2
5*		81.9		81.8
3*		79.4		79.3
1*	4.65 (1H d J 9.8Hz)	73.6	4.62 (1H d J 9.8Hz)	73.5
2*		71.0		70.9
4*		70.5		70.7
6*		61.8		61.9

Based on the above instrumental analysis results and a relevant Reference [Abdul Mun'IM, Osamu Negishi, and Testuo Ozawa.(2003), Antioxidative Compounds from *Crotalaria sessiliflora*., *Biosci.Biotechnol. Biochem.*, 67(2), 410-414], the compound having anti-histamine activity isolated from the extracts was identified as isoorientin.

**Example 2: Search for Plants which contain isoorientin, and Content Analysis**

In the Example 1 above, it was confirmed that isoorientin has anti-histamine activity. Thus, in this Example, analysis was carried out for some plant extracts which 10 Applicant owns. The following Table 2 shows the plant extracts and their contents of isoorientin.

To analyze the extracts, HITACHI system (pump: L-7100, detector: L-7455, interface: D-7000, column oven: L-7300, automatic sampler: L-7200) was used as HPLC under the analysis conditions that the stationary phase is Phenomenex C18 4.6X250mm; 15 the mobile phase is gradient condition (solvent A: acetonitrile, and solvent B: 0.1% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> in water); the flow rate is 1.5mL/min; the total analysis time is 85min; the temperature of column oven is 35 °C; the concentration of sample is 50,000ppm; the input amount is 10μl; and UV detector at 330nm is used.

Table 2

20 Isoorientin content analyzed from the plants (ingredient content % / yield %)

Name of the plants	Isoorientin content % / yield %
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<i>Phyllostachys nigra</i> var. <i>henonis</i>	0.31/9.9
<i>Phyllostachys pubscense</i>	0.25/10.97
<i>Phyllostachys bambusoides</i>	0.4/11.69
<i>Sasa coreana</i>	0.08/8.82
<i>Sasa borealis</i>	0.52/14.2
<i>Oryza alta</i>	0.49/13.8
<i>Phyllostachys heterocyla</i> var. <i>pubescens</i>	0.8/11.3
<i>Phyllostachy nigra</i>	0.46/10.9
<i>Phyllostachys nigra</i> var. <i>henonis</i> Stapf	0.62/10.4
<i>Phyllostachys bambusoides</i> var. <i>castillonis-inversa</i> Houzeau de Lehaie	0.39/10.7
<i>Arundinaria graminea</i> Makino	1.05/11.9
<i>Phyllostachys aurea</i> Carriere ex A.	0.26/10.3
<i>Riviere et C. Riviera</i>	
<i>Phyllostachys bambusoides</i> var. <i>tanakae</i> Makino	0.18/8.7
<i>Pseudosasa japonica</i>	0.19/7.38
<i>Sasa borealis</i> var. <i>gracilis</i>	0.23/6.36
<i>Lophatherum gracile</i>	0.24/10
<i>aloe vera</i>	0.18/25

### Example 3: Preparation of fraction with high isoorientin content from aloe

Aloe vera rind of 1 kg was extracted with 15L of 95%, 80%, 70%, 60%, 50%, 40% or 30% ethanol, and evaporated under reduced pressure to give hydrated extract.

Isoorientin content of the obtained extract was analyzed by HPLC in the same manner of the Example 2 above. As a result, it was shown that the isoorientin content was highest in 50% ethanol extract.

Table 3

5 Content and yield of isoorientin depending on ethanol content of extract solvent of aloe by parts

Part	Extract Solvent	Isoorientin content % / yield %
Rind	95% ethanol	0.15/2.9
	80% ethanol	0.38/3.4
	70% ethanol	0.53/4.1
	60% ethanol	0.82/4.8
	50% ethanol	1.2/5.4
	40% ethanol	0.73/6.4
	30% ethanol	0.27/7.8
Gel	95% ethanol	0.03/9.9
	80% ethanol	0.08/10.97
	70% ethanol	0.13/11.69
	60% ethanol	0.15/15.2
	50% ethanol	0.05/36.7
	40% ethanol	0.01/41.4
	30% ethanol	0.01/62.3

**Example 4: Preparation of fraction with high isoorientin content from**

**bamboo**

Bamboo leaves of 10kg were extracted with 150L of water at 80°C for 8 hours, and evaporated under reduced pressure to give 680g of extract. 500g of the hydrated extract was extracted with 4L of ethanol at 70°C for 2 hours, cooled to room temperature, 5 and filtered. The filterate was evaporated under reduced pressure to give 127g of concentrated extract. 100g of the concentrated extract was added with 800ml of water, extracted at 80°C for 2 hours, and filtered. The filterate was lyophilized to give 61g of hydrated extract.

HPLC analysis according to the analysis method of the Example 2 indicated that 10 the isoorientin content was 3.2%.

**Experimental Example 1: Measurement of histamine release inhibition activity of isoorientin****1. Purification of guinea pig lung mast cell**

15 Lung tissues (3g/1 guinea pig) were isolated from 8 guinea pigs (female, 200g), fat tissue, bronchus and blood were removed therefrom, and treated with enzyme (5mg/ml collagenase, 1.8unit/27ul elastase) three times by using Tyrode buffer (TGCM buffer) containing  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  and 0.1% gelatin for 15, 15 and 25 minutes. In each enzyme treatment, the lung tissues were filtered with nylon mesh and metal mesh (100 $\mu\text{m}$ ), and 20 centrifuged (called as monodispersed mast cells). Pellets were suspended in 16ml of buffer (TG buffer) containing  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ -free, and 0.1% gelatin, loaded to rough Percoll

(1.041mg/ml density), and centrifuged at 1,400rpm for 25 minutes to give pellets. The cells were suspended again in 8ml of TG buffer, loaded to discontinuous Percoll (1.06-1.10mg/ml density), and centrifuged again at 1400rpm for 25 minutes to afford various kinds of cell layers. Among them, mast cells were mainly present in 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> layer, and so cells obtained from these layers were washed with TGCM buffer twice. Total cells and mast cells were dyed with trypan blue and alcian blue, respectively, and cell numbers were measured by microscope to determine the purity of mast cells, whereby the purity was confirmed as about 80~90%.

10                   2. Assay of histamine released from mast cell activated with antigen/antibody reaction

Mast cells ( $4 \times 10^5$  cells) were treated with guinea pig IgG1 antibody (anti-OVA 1 ml/ $10^6$  cells), reacted at 37°C for 45 minutes, and then washed with TGCM buffer to remove anti-OVA antibody which was not bound to mast cells membrane. The cells were suspended in 1ml of TGCM buffer, and treated with drug (testing substance) at each concentration for 5 minutes. The suspension was sensitized with 1.0 $\mu$ g/ml OVA (ovalbumin), reacted for 10 minutes, cooled at ice, and centrifuged. After the centrifuge, histamine in supernatant was measured.

20                   The amount of histamine released in each sample was measured by using the automated continuous-flow extraction and fluorometric analyzer (Astoria analyzer series 300, Astoria-pacific international, Oregon, USA) which is modified from method (1) of

Siraganian. 1N-hydrochloric acid, 0.73M phosphoric acid, 5N sodium hydroxide, 1N sodium hydroxide, saline diluent and sampler wash, and o-phthalaldehyde solution were prepared, a tube connected to the analyzer was connected, and histamine stock solution was diluted to 20ng, 10ng, 5ng, 3ng and 1ng to obtain a standard curve of concentration-dependent result. Each sample was diluted with 2% perchloric acid to measure the amount of histamine. The amount of histamine contained in each sample was calculated as percentage against the amount of histamine contained in total cells used, as follows.

histamine release amounts in sample - spontaneous release  
\* Amount of histamine = \_\_\_\_\_ x 100  
Total histamine release amounts - spontaneous release

The above measurement results were shown in the following Table 4. Reviewing 15 anti-histamine activity of isoorientin isolated from the natural products, it was confirmed that isoorientin inhibited histamine release in mast cells in a concentration-dependent way, and the  $IC_{50}$  value was  $30\mu\text{g}$ .

Table 4

## Effect of isoorientin on the histamine release from passively sensitized (anti-OVA antibody) lung mast cells activated by $1.0\mu\text{g}/4 \times 10^5$ cells<sup>a</sup>

Name of the samples	Histamine (%)
OVA	$32.5 \pm 0.86$
Isoorientin (1.25 $\mu$ g)	$27.9 \pm 2.62$ (14)**

Isoorientin (2.5 $\mu$ g)	25.6 $\pm$ 1.49 (21.3)**
Isoorientin (5 $\mu$ g)	21.9 $\pm$ 2.01 (32.6)*
Isoorientin (10 $\mu$ g)	17.2 $\pm$ 1.07 (47.2)**
95% ethanol extract of rind in Example 3 (50 $\mu$ g)	24.7 $\pm$ 1.75 (24.0)**
70% ethanol extract of rind in Example 3 (50 $\mu$ g)	15.2 $\pm$ 0.93 (53.2)***
50% ethanol extract of rind in Example 3 (50 $\mu$ g)	5.2 $\pm$ 0.43 (84.0)**
30% ethanol extract of rind in Example 3 (50 $\mu$ g)	20.4 $\pm$ 1.75 (37.2)**
Bamboo extract in Example 4 (50 $\mu$ g)	19.2 $\pm$ 0.82 (40.9)**
Bamboo extract in Example 4 (100 $\mu$ g)	3.2 $\pm$ 0.52 (90.15)**

<sup>a</sup> Guinea pig mast cells were isolated, and purified by enzyme digestion, and rough and discontinuous percoll density gradient method. Mast cells ( $4 \times 10^5$  cells) were passively sensitized by anti-OVA antibody, and challenged by 1.0 $\mu$ g/ml OVA.

5 Isoorientin was added 5 min before antigen challenge. Histamine in supernatant was determined by fluorometric analyzer.

<sup>b</sup> The amount of histamine released was expressed as the percentage of the total histamine content. Parenthesis was expressed as a decreasing percentage evoked by UG4-92 pretreatment.

10 \* p < 0.05; \*\* p < 0.01; \*\*\* p < 0.001 compared with OVA alone.

( ) : inhibition %

**Formulation Example 1: Preparation of Solution**

Isoorientin	1g
Sugar	10g
Isomerized sugar	10g
5 Smell of lemon	proper quantity
Total amount after adding purified water	100ml

The above-mentioned ingredients were mixed according to conventional preparation method for solution, and sterilized to give a solution.

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**Formulation Example 2: Preparation of Capsule**

Isoorientin	500mg
Lactose	50mg
Starch	50mg
Talc	2mg
15 Magnesium Stearate	proper quantity

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The above-mentioned ingredients were mixed, and filled in a gelatin capsule according to conventional preparation method for capsule to give a capsule.

**INDUSTRIAL APPLICABILITY**

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The composition comprising isoorientin, use of isoorientin and prevention or treatment method using isoorientin according to the present invention show excellent

histamine suppression effects, and so can be used for the prevention or treatment of various kinds of allergic disease, atopic disease, skin disease, cold, hyperacidity and nervous system disorder.

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS**

1. A pharmaceutical composition for the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine

5 comprising naturally-derived isoorientin as an active ingredient.

2. The composition of claim 1, wherein the diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine are allergic disease, atopic disease, skin disease, cold, hyperacidity or nervous system disorder.

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3. The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprising naturally-derived isoorientin is aloe, bamboo or rice plant extract.

4. The composition of claim 3, wherein the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is  
15 obtained by extracting aloe with 30-80% methanol or ethanol.

5. The composition of claim 3, wherein the bamboo extract comprising isoorientin is obtained by extracting bamboo with water to obtain dehydrated extract, and re-extracting said dehydrated extract with methanol or ethanol.

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6. The composition of claim 3 or 4, wherein the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is obtained from rind of aloe.

7. A use of naturally-derived isoorientin for the manufacture of a medicament for the prevention or treatment of diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine.

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8. The use of claim 7, wherein the diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine are allergic disease, atopic disease, skin disease, cold, hyperacidity or nervous system disorder.

10 9. The use of claim 7, wherein the naturally-derived isoorientin is aloe, bamboo or rice plant extract.

10. The use of claim 9, wherein the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is obtained by extracting aloe with 30-80% methanol or ethanol.

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11. The use of claim 9, wherein the bamboo extract comprising isoorientin is obtained by extracting bamboo with water to obtain dehydrated extract, and re-extracting said dehydrated extract with methanol or ethanol.

20 12. The use of claim 9 or 10, wherein the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is obtained from rind of aloe.

13. A method for preventing or treating diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine in a subject, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of naturally-derived isoorientin to the subject.

5 14. The method of claim 13, wherein the diseases mediated by physiological change or functional disorder by excessive histamine are allergic disease, atopic disease, skin disease, cold, hyperacidity, or nervous system disorder.

10 15. The method of claim 13, wherein the naturally-derived isoorientin is aloe, bamboo or rice plant extract.

16. The method of claim 15, wherein the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is obtained by extracting aloe with 30-80% methanol or ethanol.

15 17. The method of claim 15, wherein the bamboo extract comprising isoorientin is obtained by extracting bamboo with water to obtain dehydrated extract, and re-extracting said dehydrated extract with methanol or ethanol.

20 18. The method of claim 15 or 16, the aloe extract comprising isoorientin is obtained from rind of aloe.

FIG. 1

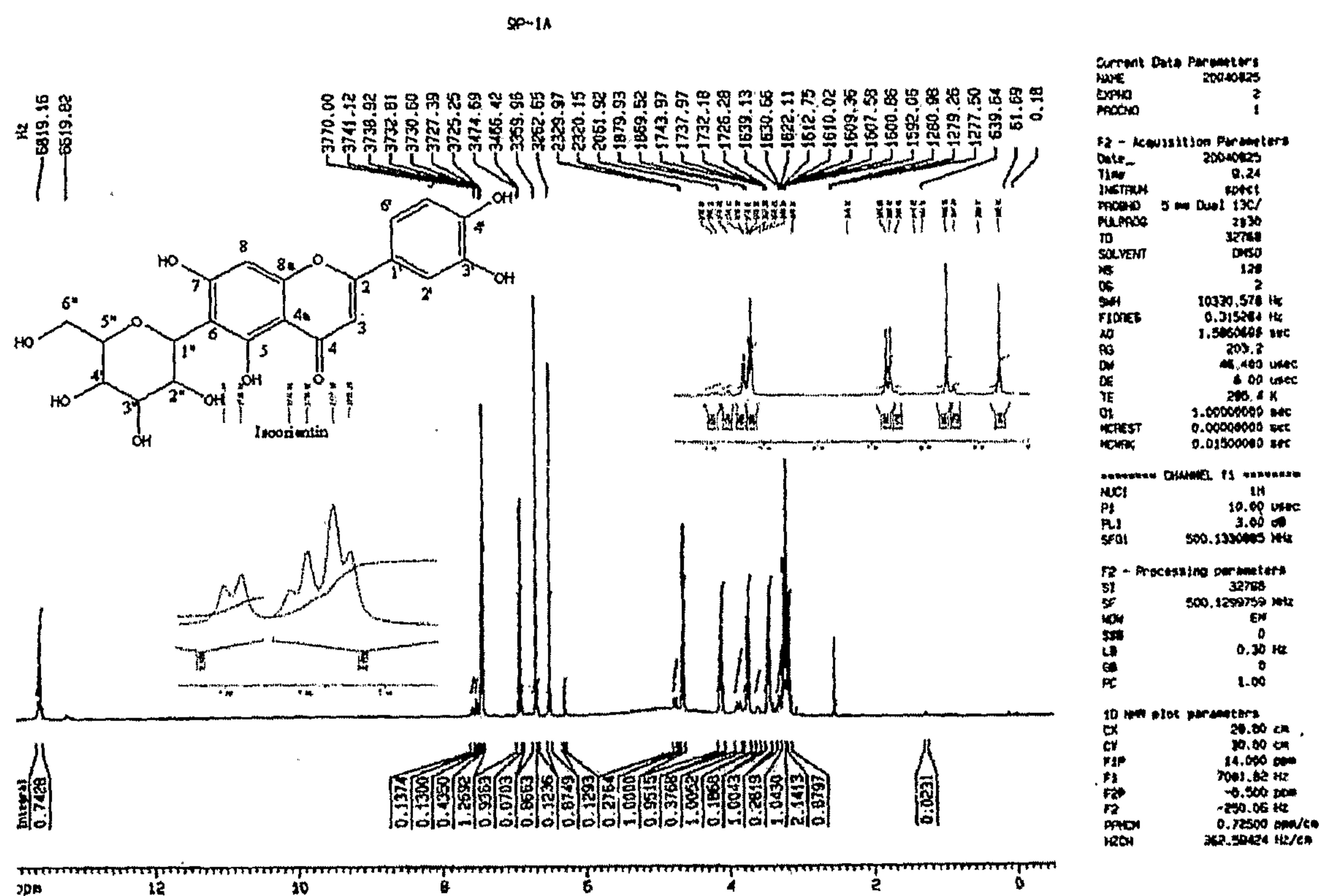


FIG. 2

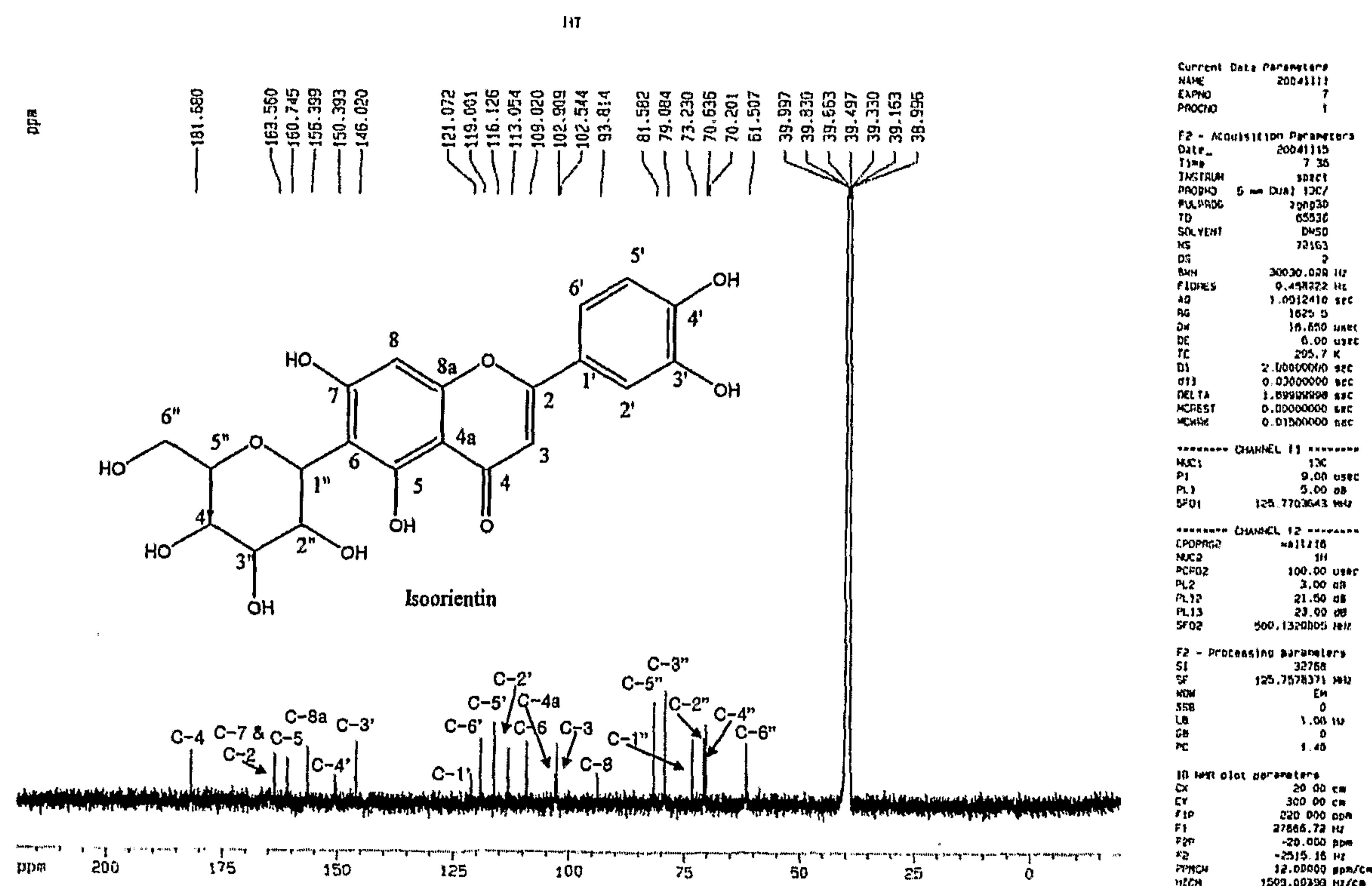


FIG. 3

