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### **Supplementary Information**

# Structurally Novel C17-Sesquiterpene Lactones from

## Ainsliaea pertyoides

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#### **Experimental section**

#### **General Experimental Procedures**

**General.** Optical rotations: Autopol VI (serial No. 90079, manufactured by Rudolph Research Analytical, Hackettstown, NJ). IR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Vector 22 spectrometer using KBr disks. UV spectra were recorded with a Varian CARY 50. NMR spectra were obtained using Bruker Ascend-500 spectrometer (500 MHz). The chemical shift ( $\delta$ ) values are given in ppm with TMS as internal standard, and coupling constants (J) in Hz. MS were measured with Agilent *MSD-Trap-XCT* (for ESI) and *Q-Tof* micro mass spectrometer (for HR-ESI). Column chromatography (CC): silica gel H (10–40  $\mu$ m; *Marine Chemical Factory*, Qingdao, P. R. China); Sephadex LH-20 (*Pharmacia Fine Chemicals*, Piscataway, NJ, USA); RP-C18 gel (40–63  $\mu$ m; Daiso, Co., Japan) were used for column chromatography. Preparative TLC (0.4-0.5 mm, 20×20 cm) was conducted with glass precoated silica gel GF254 (Huiyou Silica Gel Development Co., Ltd.). Spots were detected on TLC under UV light or by heating after spraying with 10 % H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> in EtOH and followed by heating.

**Plant Material.** The whole plants of *Ainsliaea* pertyoides was collected in August 2014, from Gongshan county, Yunnan province, China, and authenticated by Prof. Yuanchuan Zhou in the Nujiang Institute of Medicinal Plants. A voucher specimen (no. 2014108014) is deposited in School of Pharmacy, Second Military Medical University.

**Extraction and Isolation.** The air-dried plant material of *A*. pertyoides (10.0 kg) was percolated with 95% EtOH at room temperature, and the extract (0.6 kg) was further partitioned partitioned between EtOAc and H<sub>2</sub>O. The EtOAc-soluble partition (80 g) was fractionated on a column of macroporous resin eluted with 30, 80, and 100% MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, and the 80% MeOH elution (60 g) was separated by an MCI gel column (MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 4:6 to 9:1) to afford seven fractions (A–G), the fourth fraction (E, 10 g)

of which was subjected to CC eluted with petroleum ether–acetone (100:1 to 1:2) to yield 6 subfractions (E1–E6). Fraction E4 was separated over a column of RP-18 silica gel (MeOH–H<sub>2</sub>O, 5:5 to 9:1) to furnish five fractions (E4a–E4e), and the first fraction (E4a) was purified by semi-preparative HPLC to return compounds 5 (28 mg), 7 (21 mg) and 16 (7 mg). E4b was purified by silica gel CC (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH, 500:1 to 150:1) and HPLC to yield 12 (3 mg), 13 (19 mg), 15 (9 mg) and 14 (4 mg). Fraction E5 was sequentially fractionated by RP-18 silica gel (MeOH–H<sub>2</sub>O, 5:5 to 4:1) and silica gel (petroleum ether–CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 5:1 to 1:4) CC, and was finally purified by semi-preparative HPLC to afford 1 (12 mg), 2 (15 mg), 3 (49 mg), 4 (33 mg) and 8 (4 mg). Fraction F was extensively separated by columns of RP-18 silica gel (MeOH–H<sub>2</sub>O, 5:5 to 4:1) and silica gel (CHCl<sub>3</sub>–MeOH, 500:1 to 100:1), and was finally purified by HPLC to give 10 (100 mg), 6 (15 mg), 11 (12 mg) and 9 (16 mg). Fraction G was fractionated in sequence by RP-18 silica gel (MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 55% to 70%) CC, silica gel CC (CH<sub>3</sub>Cl/MeOH, 500:1 to 150:1), and finally semi-preparative HPLC to afford 18 (9 mg).

#### **Cytotoxicity Assay**

The cytotoxicity of compound **1** was determined by MTT assay (Sigma, St. Louis, MO). Briefly, A549, HCT116, MGC803 and CCRF-CEM cells were inoculated at a density of  $1 \times 10^4$  cells/well in 96-well microplates and after 24 h incubation were treated with 0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10 and 100 µM of 1, and doxorubicin for 24, 48 and 72 h. At the end of the incubation, 10 µL of MTT (5 mg/mL) was added to each well, and the plates were incubated for 4 h at 37 °C. The supernatants were aspirated carefully and 150 µL of DMSO were added to each well to dissolve the precipitate. Absorbance was read at 570 nm by a BioTek Synergy 2 plate reader (BioTek Instruments, Inc., Winooski, Vt, USA). Each experiment was performed in triplicate. Consequently, compounds **2-18** were tested as that of **1**. Results of three independent experiments were used for statistical analysis. IC<sub>50</sub> value was calculated by the Logit method.



## Figure S1. The structure of compounds 1–18

Figure S2. HR-ESIMS spectrum of Pertyolide A (1)



m/z	lon	Formula	Abundance				
315.1579	(M+Na)+	C17 H24 Na O4	46876.6				
Best	Formula (M)	Ion Formula	Calc m/z	Score	Cross Score	Mass	Calc Mass
TRUE	C17 H24 O4	C17 H24 Na O4	315.1567	86.39		292.1686	292.1675

Figure S3. IR spectrum of Pertyolide A (1)



## Figure S4. OR Value of Pertyolide A (1) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH

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2	AP-145	02:42:55 PM	42.000	SR	0.042	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
3	AP-145	02:43:01 PM	42.000	SR	0.042	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
4	AP-145	02:43:07 PM	42.000	SR	0.042	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
5	AP-145	02:43:13 PM	42.000	SR	0.042	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
6	AP-145	02:43:19 PM	42.000	SR	0.042	589	100.00	0.100	20.1	

Figure S5. UV spectrum of Pertyolide A (1) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH





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Sample Name

Number of spectra averaged

Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H- NMR spectrum of Pertyolide A (1) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>





Figure S8. <sup>13</sup>C and DEPT-135 NMR spectrum of Pertyolide A (1) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

Figure S9. <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of Pertyolide A (1) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S10. HSQC spectrum of Pertyolide A (1) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>







Figure S12. NOESY spectrum of Pertyolide A (1) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S13. Single X-ray crystal structure and Packing diagram of 1



# Crystallographic data of Pertyolide A (1)

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for	cu_dm15471_0m.				
Identification code	cu_dm15471_0m				
Empirical formula	C17 H24 O4				
Formula weight	292.36				
Temperature	296.15 K				
Wavelength	1.54178 Å				
Crystal system	Orthorhombic				
Space group	P 21 21 21				
Unit cell dimensions	a = 6.38940(10) Å	α=90°.			
	b = 11.8924(2) Å	β= 90°.			
	c = 19.9718(4)  Å	$\gamma = 90^{\circ}$ .			
Volume	1517.56(5) Å <sup>3</sup>				
Ζ	4				
Density (calculated)	1.280 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>				
Absorption coefficient	0.727 mm <sup>-1</sup>				
F(000)	632				
Crystal size	0.2 x 0.08 x 0.05 mm <sup>3</sup>				
Theta range for data collection	4.327 to 70.024°.				
Index ranges	-7<=h<=6, -14<=k<=14, -23<=l<=24				
Reflections collected	9899				
Independent reflections	2731 [R(int) = 0.0285]				
Completeness to theta = $67.679^{\circ}$	97.9 %				
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents				
Max. and min. transmission	0.7533 and 0.6447				
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>				
Data / restraints / parameters	2731 / 0 / 193				
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.060				
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0332, $wR2 = 0.0881$				
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0341, $wR2 = 0.0896$				
Absolute structure parameter	0.02(7)				
Extinction coefficient	n/a				
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.147 and -0.174 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>				

Figure S14. HR-ESIMS spectrum of Pertyolide B (2)



m/z	lon	Formula	Abundance				
315.1577	(M+Na)+	C17 H24 Na O4	220045.8				
Best	Formula (M)	Ion Formula	Calc m/z	Score	Cross Score	Mass	Calc Mass
TRUE	C17 H24 O4	C17 H24 Na O4	315.1567	89.79		292.1684	292.1675

Figure S15. IR spectrum of Pertyolide B (2)



## Figure S16. OR Value of Pertyolide B (2) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH

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3	AP-29	02:48:34 PM	1.000	SR	0.001	589	100.00	0.100	20.0	
4	AP-29	02:48:40 PM	2.000	SR	0.002	589	100.00	0.100	20.0	
5	AP-29	02:48:46 PM	1.000	SR	0.001	589	100.00	0.100	20.0	
6	AP-29	02:48:52 PM	1.000	SR	0.001	589	100.00	0.100	20.0	

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Figure S19. <sup>1</sup>H- NMR spectrum of Pertyolide B (2) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>





Figure S20. <sup>13</sup>C and DEPT-135 NMR spectrum of Pertyolide B (2) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

**Figure S21**. <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of Pertyolide B (2) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S22. HSQC spectrum of Pertyolide B (2) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S23. HMBC spectrum of Pertyolide B (2) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S24. NOESY spectrum of Pertyolide B (2) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S25. HR-ESIMS spectrum of Pertyolide C (3)



Formula Ca	culator l	Results				
Formula	Best	Mass	Tgt Mass	Diff (ppm)	Ion Species	Score
C22 H30 O6	TRUE	390.2048	390.2042	-1.54	C22 H34 N O6	97.46
C22 H30 O6	TRUE	390.2049	390.2042	-1.74	C22 H30 Na O6	80.87

Figure S26. IR spectrum of Pertyolide C (3)



## Figure S27. OR Value of Pertyolide C (3) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH

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2	AP-407	10:15:37 AM	17.000	SR	0.017	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
3	AP-407	10:15:43 AM	17.000	SR	0.017	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
4	AP-407	10:15:49 AM	17.000	SR	0.017	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
5	AP-407	10:15:55 AM	17.000	SR	0.017	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	
6	AP-407	10:16:01 AM	17.000	SR	0.017	589	100.00	0.100	20.2	

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Figure S28. UV spectrum of Pertyolide C (3) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH



Figure S29. <sup>1</sup>H- NMR spectrum of Pertyolide C (3) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>





Figure S30. <sup>13</sup>C and DEPT-135 NMR spectrum of Pertyolide C (3) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

**Figure S31**. <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of Pertyolide C (**3**) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S32. HSQC spectrum of Pertyolide C (3) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



Figure S33. HMBC spectrum of Pertyolide C (3) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>





Figure S34. NOESY spectrum of Pertyolide C (3) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



#### Figure S35. The inhibition rate curves



			Compound 5		
	(µM)	A549	HCT116	MGC80	03
	100.00	$94.95 \pm 3.78$	98.71 ±1.91	98.20 ±	1.73
	10.00	$81.56 \pm 4.84$	$84.57 \pm 3.50$	91.41 ±	3.69
	5.00	$64.98 \pm 3.36$	$78.50\pm\!\!0.92$	$70.36 \pm$	5.14
	1.00	$18.10 \pm 1.11$	$29.61 \pm 1.87$	$23.35\pm$	2.13
	0.10	$15.53 \pm 1.42$	$17.43 \pm 1.69$	$13.00 \pm$	1.29
	0.01	$5.00\pm0.39$	$2.00\pm0.20$	$3.18 \pm 0$	0.24
		Compound 5	compound 5 Compound 6		ound 6
	(µM)	CCRF-CEM	HCT116	MG	C803
	100.00	$93.58 \pm 3.17$	$88.40 \pm 4.15$	96.97	$\pm 4.04$
	50.00	$86.20\pm4.41$	$79.68 \pm 3.46$	86.32	$\pm 6.13$
	25.00	$70.10 \pm 4.25$	$72.53\pm2.95$	77.82	± 5.97
	10.00	$35.96 \pm 3.42$	$34.61\pm2.50$	30.99	± 1.13
	5.00	$15.61 \pm 1.40$	$20.17 \pm 1.74$	14.56	$\pm 1.07$
	1.00	$5.21\pm0.38$	$13.25\pm1.06$	13.20	$\pm 0.93$
			Doxorubicin		
(µM)	A54	9 HC	T116 M0	GC803	CCRF-CEM
10	94.66 ±	5.41 80.94	± 1.13 95.3	$2 \pm 1.56$	$99.34 \pm 0.38$

 $80.25\pm0.94$ 

 $47.91\pm0.44$ 

 $26.75\pm0.89$ 

 $24.80\pm0.71$ 

 $98.63 \pm 1.79$ 

 $98.31 \pm 2.69$ 

 $93.26 \pm 1.26$ 

 $75.58 \pm 1.79$ 

 $92.81 \pm 1.10$ 

 $43.16\pm2.05$ 

 $12.94 \pm 1.21$ 

 $9.88\pm0.36$ 

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0.01

0.001

1

 $91.67 \pm 2.71$ 

 $78.61 \pm 1.85$ 

 $42.10\pm0.94$ 

 $23.02\pm\!\!1.85$ 

Table S1-3 Inhibition rate (%) of compounds (5, 6, Doxorubicin) against cell lines (Mean  $\pm$  SD, n = 3)