

Investigating the Hepatoprotective Potentiality of Marine-Derived Steroids as Promising Inhibitors of Liver Fibrosis

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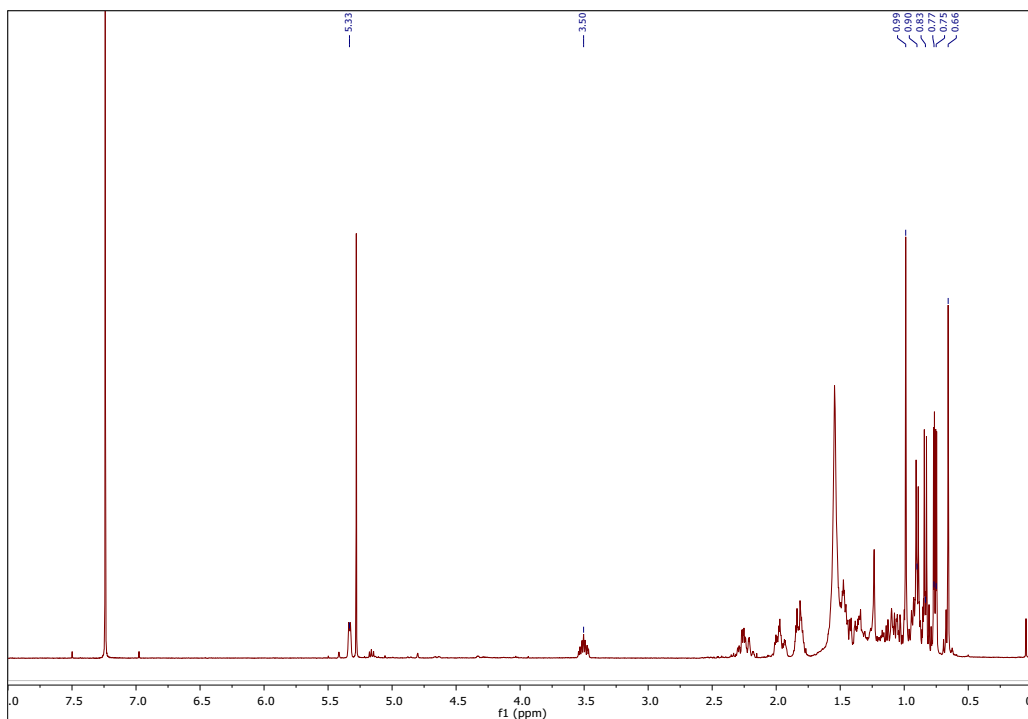


Fig. S1 ^1H NMR spectrum of 24*S*-methyl-cholest-5-en-3 β -ol (**1**) in CDCl_3 .

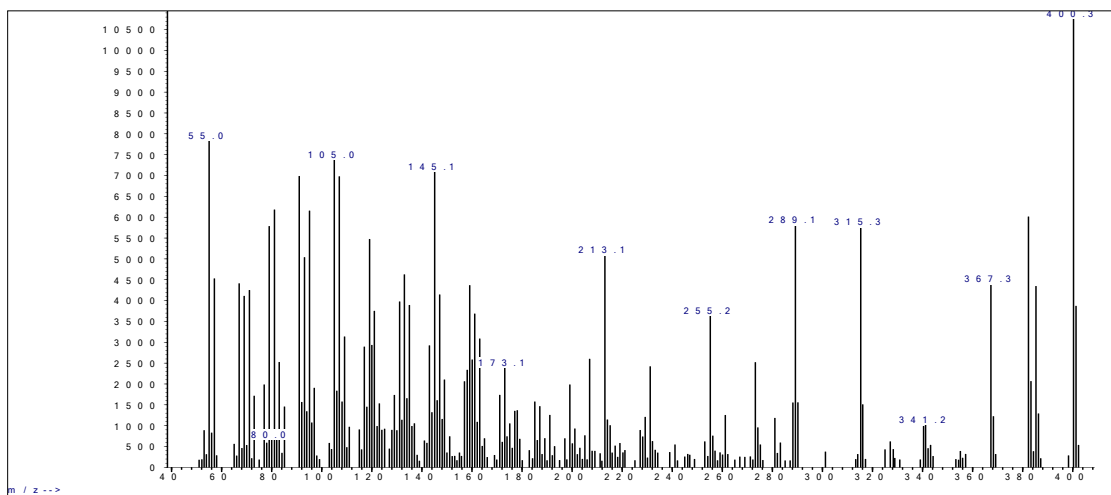


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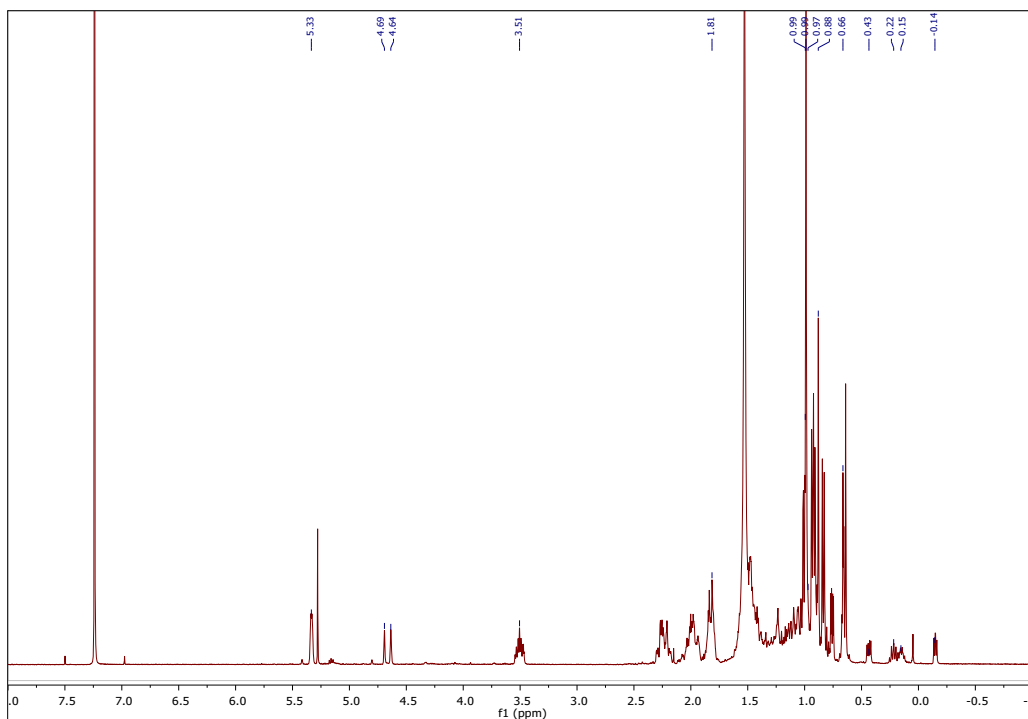


Fig. S3 ^1H NMR spectrum of gorgostan-5,25-dien- 3β -ol (**2**) in CDCl_3 .

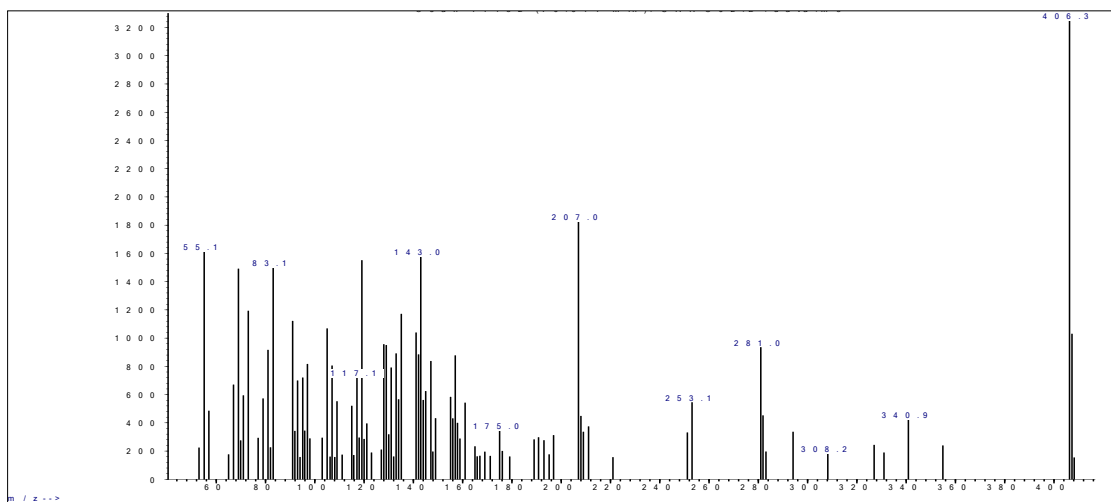


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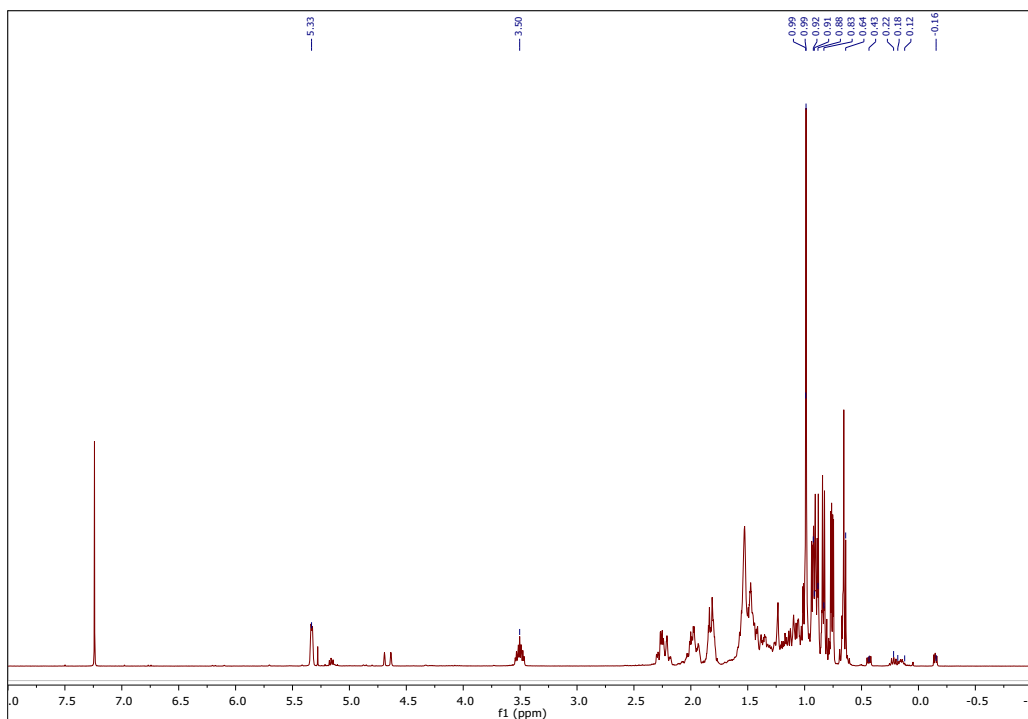


Fig. S5 ^1H NMR spectrum of gorgosterol (**3**) in CDCl_3 .

Figure S6. ESIMS spectrum of gorgosterol (**3**).

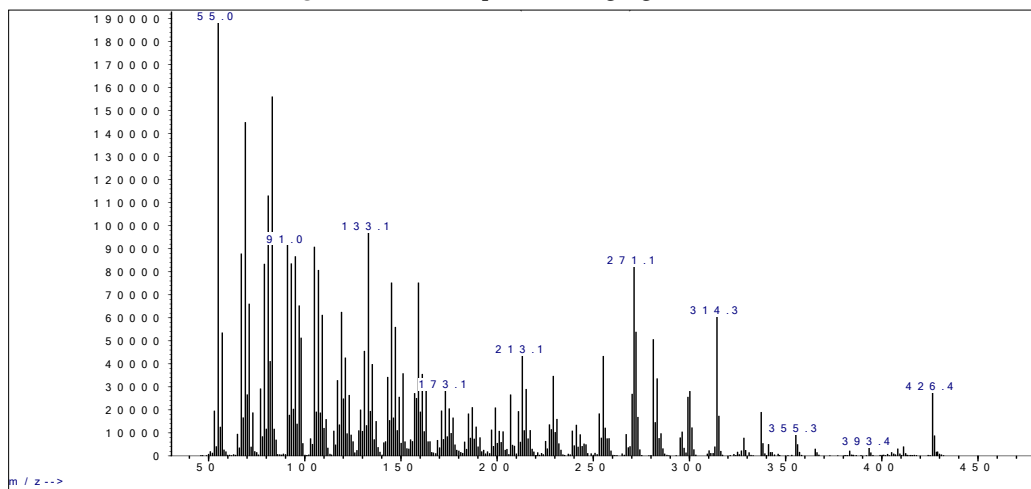
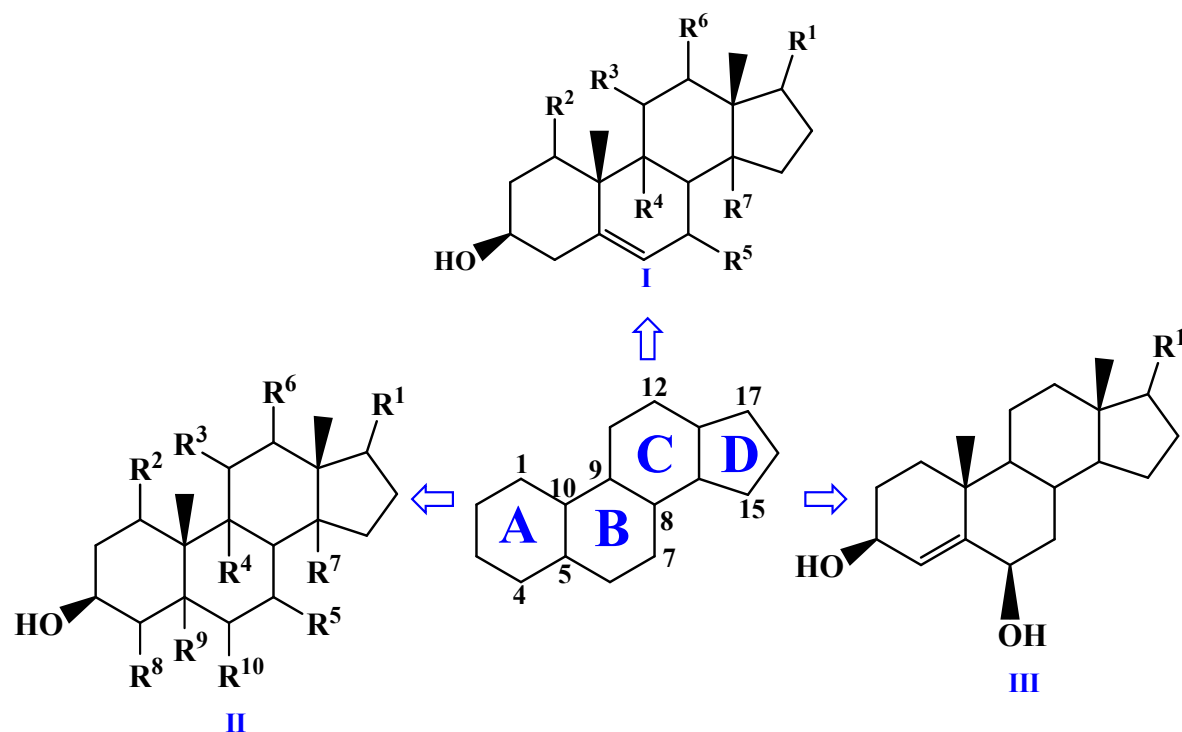


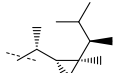
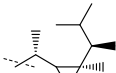
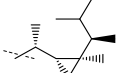
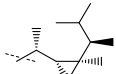
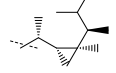
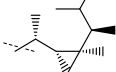
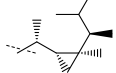
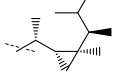
Fig. S6 ESIMS spectrum of gorgosterol (**3**).

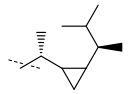
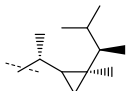
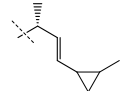
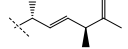
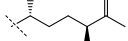


All the steroids isolated possess a fused tetracyclic ring system with three six-membered rings and a five-membered ring as a common scaffold from core I, II or III, **Scheme S1**. The six-membered rings of the carbon skeleton are designated as A, B, C, and the five-membered as D. They all have two methyl groups and an eight- to eleven-carbon side chain at C-10, C-13 and C-17, respectively. The fused tetracyclic ring system and the side chain at C-17 are densely decorated by hydroxyl and methyl groups. The 4,5-bond on ring A and 5,6-bond on ring D can be either saturated or unsaturated.

Scheme S1. Reported steroid derivatives (1-26)

#	Core	Source, ^{Ref}	Name	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	R ⁵	R ⁶	R ⁷	R ⁸	R ⁹	R ¹⁰
1	I	soft coral ^a <i>Lobophytum crissum</i> , ¹	24S-methyl-cholest-5-en-3 β -ol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
2	I	soft coral ^a <i>Lobophytum lobophytum</i> , ²	gorgostan-5,25-dien-3 β -ol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
3	I	soft coral ^a , <i>Lobophytum crissum</i> , ¹	gorgosterol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
4	I	<i>Euphorbia pulcherimma</i> , ³	24R-methyl-cholest-5-en-3 β -ol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
5	I	<i>Sinularia polydactyla</i> ⁴	24-methyl-cholest-5,24-dien-3 β -ol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
6	I	<i>Sinularia</i> sp., ⁵	24S-methyl-cholest-5-en-1 α ,3 β -diol		α -OH	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
7	I	<i>Sarcophyton glaucum</i> ⁶	24S-methyl-cholest-5-en-3 β ,25-diol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
8	I	<i>Sarcophyton glaucum</i> ⁶	24S-methyl-cholest-5-en-3 β ,25 ζ ,26-triol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
#	Core	Source	Name	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	R ⁵	R ⁶	R ⁷	R ⁸	R ⁹	R ¹⁰
9	I	<i>Sinularia dissecta</i> , ⁷	24 ζ -Methyl-cholest-5-en-1 α ,3 β ,11 α -triol		α -OH	α -OH	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
10	II	<i>Sarcophyton glaucum</i> , ⁸	dinosterol		H	H	H	H	H	H	CH ₃	H	H
11	I	<i>Plexaurella grisea</i> , ⁹	9 α -hydroxygorgosterol		H	H	α -OH	H	H	H	--	--	--
12	I	<i>Plexaurella grisea</i> ⁹	11 α -hydroxygorgosterol		H	α -OH	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
13	I	<i>Sinularia numerosa</i> , ¹⁰	7 β -hydroxygorgosterol		H	H	H	α -OH	H	H	--	--	--

14	I	<i>Klyxum flaccidum</i> , ¹¹	klyflaccisteroids G		H	α -OH	H	α -OH	H	H	--	--	--
15	I	<i>Sinularia dissecta</i> , ⁷	1 α ,11 α - dihydroxygorgosterol		α -OH	α -OH	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
16	I	<i>Klyxum flaccidum</i> , ¹¹	klyflaccisteroids H		H	α -OH	H	α -OH	α -OH	H	--	--	--
17	I	<i>Klyxum flaccidum</i> , ¹¹	klyflaccisteroids I		H	α -OH	H	α -OH	H	H	--	--	--
18	I	<i>Plexaurella grisea</i> , ⁹	9 α ,11 α ,14 α - trihydroxygorgosterol		H	α -OH	α -OH	H	H	α -OH	--	--	--
19	II	<i>Sarcophyton ehrenbergi</i> , ¹²	ehrensteroid F		α -OH	H	H	H	H	H	H	α -OH	β -OH
20	II	<i>Sarcophyton ehrenbergi</i> , ¹²	lobophysterol D		H	α -OH	H	H	α -OH	H	H	α -OH	β -OH
#	Core	Source	Name	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	R ⁵	R ⁶	R ⁷	R ⁸	R ⁹	R ¹⁰
21	II	<i>Sarcophyton ehrenbergi</i> , ¹²	sarcoaldestero A		H	α -OH	H	H	H	H	H	α -OH	β -OH

22	I	<i>Simularia dissecta</i> , ⁷	1 α ,11 α -dihydroxy-23-demethylgorgosterol		α -OH	α -OH	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
23	III	<i>Simularia dissecta</i> , ¹³	dissesterol		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
24	I	<i>Sarcophyton glaucum</i> , ¹⁴	glaucasterol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
25	I	<i>Sarcophyton glaucum</i> , ⁸	22-dehydrocodisterol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--
26	I	<i>Sarcophyton glaucum</i> , ⁸	codisterol		H	H	H	H	H	H	--	--	--

^a Steroidal compound recovered here in the current work from the crude extract of soft coral, the crude extract was tested *in vivo* as a hepatoprotective agent.

Table S1. Calculated free binding energies (ΔG_B , in kcal/mol) of the focused library of 26 steroid derivatives (**1-26**) for GST and HSD.

Steroid derivatives	ΔG_B , in kcal/mol	
	GST	HSD
1 ^a	-7.7	-7.8
2 ^a	-8.4	-8.2
3 ^a	-8.4	-8.8
4	-8.5	-8.5
5	-7.0	-7.9
6	-8.5	-8.1
7	-7.5	-8.1
8	-8.0	-7.8
9	-7.2	-8.2
10	-8.9	-8.7
11	-8.8	-8.6
12	-8.9	-9.1
13	-9.1	-9.0
14	-9.3	-9.4
15	-8.9	-8.1
16	-8.4	-9.0
17	-9.3	-8.7
18	-8.9	-8.8
19	-8.8	-7.9
20	-8.3	-7.9
21	-8.6	-9.1
22	-8.6	-8.5
23	-8.6	-8.4
24	-9.1	-9.1
25	-8.7	-8.8
26	-8.0	-8.3

^aThe steroid derivatives recovered experimentally in current work.

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