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Phytochemical constituents from Garcinia atroviridis

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Garcinia atroviridis is a medium-sized fruit tree found wild in the forest of Peninsular Malaysia, Thailand, Myanmar, India and Sometimes in a half-cultivated state in villages. It is commonly known as 'Asam Gelugor' in Malaysia or 'Som-Khaek' in Thailand. G. atroviridis has been used as a postpartum medication agent in folkloric medicine. The fruit is used in a lotion made with vinegar, which is rubbed upon the abdomen of a woman after confinement and the juice from the leaves is given to a woman after childbirth in one of those numerous protective preparations. In the investigation on the chemical constituents of the stem bark of G. atroviridis, eleven compounds have been isolated and purified using column chromatography. These compounds were characterized using various spectroscopic techniques and were assayed for antioxidant and cholinesterase enzyme inhibitory activities.

Biography

Wen-Nee Tan has completed her PhD in Natural Products Chemistry from Universiti Sains Malaysia and is currently a Lecturer in Universiti Sains Malaysia. Her research interests focus on natural products isolation and their structural characterization, as well as bioassay on the isolated pure compounds.

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