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An efficient synthesis of a bioactive benzenoid derivative from the mycelium of *Antrodia camphorate* and its anti-viral activity

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Antrodia Camphorata (AC), a highly valued polypore mushroom native only to Taiwan, has been traditionally used as a medicine for the treatment of liver-related cancer and inflammation syndromes. Compound S3 was isolated from the mycelium of AC. In this study we found that S3 displayed potent anti-influenza A virus activity. Influenza A (H_1N_1) virus is the subtype of influenza A virus that was the most common cause of human influenza (flu) in 2009. Now the influenza A (H_1N_1) treatment is done by Tamiflu*. However, Tamiflu* has a lot of side effects, for example users may have mental illness symptoms. The cytotoxicity evaluation of S3 against baby hamster kidney cell lines (BHK-21) showed that S3 was slightly higher active than Tamiflu* (cell viability still has more than 80%), but S3 treatment effect better than Tamiflu*. In addition, the animals have no adverse effects after long-term use S3. It was a potent inhibitor of influenza A (H_1N_1) virus, with higher activity than the reference compound Tamiflu*. However, the content of S3 is rarely found in the mycelium of AC. Synthesia of the key chemical S3 compound in our laboratory was done through the AlC₁₃ followed by demethylation. The yield was 23% in one step. This paper offers the first report of the anti-influenza A virus activity by S3. Moreover the key benzenoid component S3 was prepared only in one step.

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