Abstract

The structures of two new isoflavonoids from the combined ethyl acetate/methanolic extracts of the stem bark of Bolusanthus speciosus have been established as 4,7,2' -trihydroxy-4' methoxyisoflavanol (1) and 5,7,3',4' -tetrahydroxy-5' -(2-epoxy-3-methylbutyl)isoflavanone (2). isoflavonoids, 5,7,3' -trihydroxy-4' Five other known -methoxy-5' -γγ; -trihydroxy-4' 5,7,2' -di)(yy dimethylallylisoflavanone, -methoxy-6,5' dimethylallyl)isoflavanone, 5,7,2',4'-tetrahydroxy-8,5'2; -di(yy -dimethylallyl)flavanone, 5,7,2' ,4' -tetrahydroxy-8,3' -di($\gamma\gamma$ -dimethylallyl)-isoflavanone, and derrone were also isolated. Compound 2 showed moderate activity against gram positive bacteria and weak activity against gram negative bacteria, while compound 1 was weakly active against both organisms in a TLC bioautography assay.