

Sesquiterpene Lactones from *Elephantopus scaber*

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The ethanolic and acetone extracts of the whole plant of *Elephantopus scaber* were found to contain ethyl hexadecanoate, ethyl-9,12-octadecadienoate, ethyl-(Z)-9-octadecenoate, ethyl octadecanoate, lupeol, stigmasterol, stigmasterol glucoside, deoxyelephantopin (**1**) and two new germacranolide sesquiterpene lactones named 17,19-dihydrodeoxyelephantopin (**2**) and *iso*-17,19-dihydrodeoxyelephantopin (**3**) whose stereostructures were determined by spectroscopic methods, comparison with reported data and single-crystal X-ray analysis.

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