New Withanolides from Fresh Berries of *Withania somnifera*

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The chloroform extract of the fresh berries of *Withania somnifera* has been investigated to afford stigmasterol, its glucoside, withanone, 27-hydroxy withanolide A along with two new withanolides, namely, iso-withanone (1) and $6\alpha, 7\alpha$-epoxy-$1\alpha, 3\beta, 5\alpha$-trihydroxy-witha-24-enolide (2). Compound 1 possesses an uncommon $17\alpha$-oriented side chain whereas compound 2 has $1\alpha, 3\beta$-dihydroxy group which is a molecule of biogenetic significance for withasteroids.

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