Salacetal, an Oleanane-type Triterpene from *Salacia longipes* var. *camerunensis*

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Phytochemical investigation of the roots of *Salacia longipes* var. *camerunensis* led to the isolation of a new triterpenoid, salacetal (1), together with the known compounds mangiferin, 2-hydroxy-3-oxo-D:A-friedooleanan-29-oic acid, β-sitosterol, and stigmasterol. The structure of the new compound as well as those of the known compounds were established by means of spectroscopic methods and by comparison with reported data.

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