

NEW ANTIBACTERIAL STEROIDAL ALKALOIDS FROM *SARCOCOCCA BREVIFOLIA*

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Abstract: Three new steroidal alkaloids, epipachysamine-*E*-5-ene-4-one (1), *N*₆-demethylepipachysamine-*E*-5-ene-4-one (2) and *iso-N*-formylchonemorphine (3) have been isolated from *Sarcococca brevifolia*. Structures of these compounds were determined by spectroscopic studies. Compounds 1 and 3 exhibited strong antibacterial activity against *Bacillus cereus*, *Escherichia coli*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Proteus mirabilis*, *Corynebacterium diphtheriae* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.