

## Polyisoprenoid Profiling of Mangrove Litters–based Zonations and Salinity Groups in North Sumatra, Indonesia

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**Abstract**— The polyprenols and dolichols in mangrove litter–based salinity groups and zonations in Lubuk Kertang, North Sumatra, Indonesia, was performed using two-dimensional thin-layer chromatography. Eight sites with twenty-four samples consisting of 0, 2, and 3% salt concentrations and five zonations (*Avicennia spp*, *Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa fruticans* community, *Rhizophora spp*, and *Sonneratia spp*) were analyzed. In the zonations, two types concerning the distribution of polyprenols and dolichols were detected. Type-I, showing predominance of dolichols over polyprenols, was observed in *Avicennia spp*, *Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa fruticans*, and *Rhizophora spp*. Type-II, having both polyprenols and dolichols, was observed in *Sonneratia spp*. In contrast, no type-I distribution was found in the salinity group. A type-II distribution was also observed in 0, 2, and 3% salt concentrations. The diversity of polyisoprenoid composition in the mangrove litters of salinity groups was noted, whereas dolichols predominated in the zonations (80%). In *Avicennia spp* litter, dolichols were found to be longer than other types of community litter (*Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa*, and *Rhizophora spp*). These conditions can be caused by leaf litter factors that have different ages and environments. A dendrogram was constructed using the Unweighted-Pair Group Method with Arithmetic mean (UPGMA) method to confirm these findings. The dendrogram demonstrated that the zonations and salinity groups were generally clustered according to appropriate species and families. The study suggested that dominated dolichols function as chemotaxonomic markers, useful in identifying and classifying mangroves, and in phylogenetic studies.

**Keywords**— Chemotaxonomic marker; phylogenetic; polyprenol reductase; rehabilitation, true mangrove.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Mangrove forests are tropical and subtropical coastal vegetation communities dominated by several mangrove species that can grow and thrive in muddy coastal areas [1]. These vegetation communities generally grow in intertidal areas that are adequately exposed to periodic inundation and freshwater flows and are protected from large waves and strong tidal currents. Therefore, mangroves are found along the shores of shallow bays, estuaries, deltas, and protected coastal areas.

The mangrove zonation was an ecological phenomenon to the coastal waters in areas including tidal rhythms. The different tides effect allows the development of unique communities for each area [2]. Zonation studies in coastal

waters have been widely carried out, although they lack in soft substrate coastal waters (sand and mud), especially in mangroves.

True mangrove forests have species that specifically grow in intertidal zones, such as *Avicennia marina*, *Sonneratia alba*, *Rhizophora apiculata*, *Kandelia candel*, *Ceriops tagal*, and *Bruguiera gymnorrhiza* [3], [4]. Different mangrove species were adopted different adaptation strategies to high salinity, it depended on their differential ability for salt tolerance. Mangrove species have a general characteristic for tolerating seawater with high salinity, implying the convergent adaptation of this species [5].

Several of the decomposed mangrove litter were absorbed into the mangroves, and on the other hand, it was additional organic material input for the surrounding mangrove ecosystem [6]. The accumulating organic material benefits

were resulting from the decomposition of mangrove forest litter include the enrichment of nutrients in the ecosystem, maintenance of nursery areas and spawning grounds, and protection of various aquatic biota [7].

Five-carbon of polyisoprenoids were linear polymer units present in almost the living cells. Long chains of polyisoprenoids are found in various plant tissues [8]. There are two types of polyisoprenoids concerning the  $\alpha$ -isoprene structure. The first type is polyprenol, alcohol with a single, double bond in each isoprenoid unit ( $\alpha$ -saturated isoprenoid alcohol), characteristic of bacterial cells and plant parts. The second type is dolichol, without double bonds in the OH-terminal isoprenoid unit ( $\alpha$ -saturated isoprenoid alcohol). Dolichols are present mainly in animals. Using a two-dimensional thin-layer chromatography method, this study aimed to identify polyprenols and dolichols in mangrove leaves and litters.

## II. MATERIALS AND METHOD

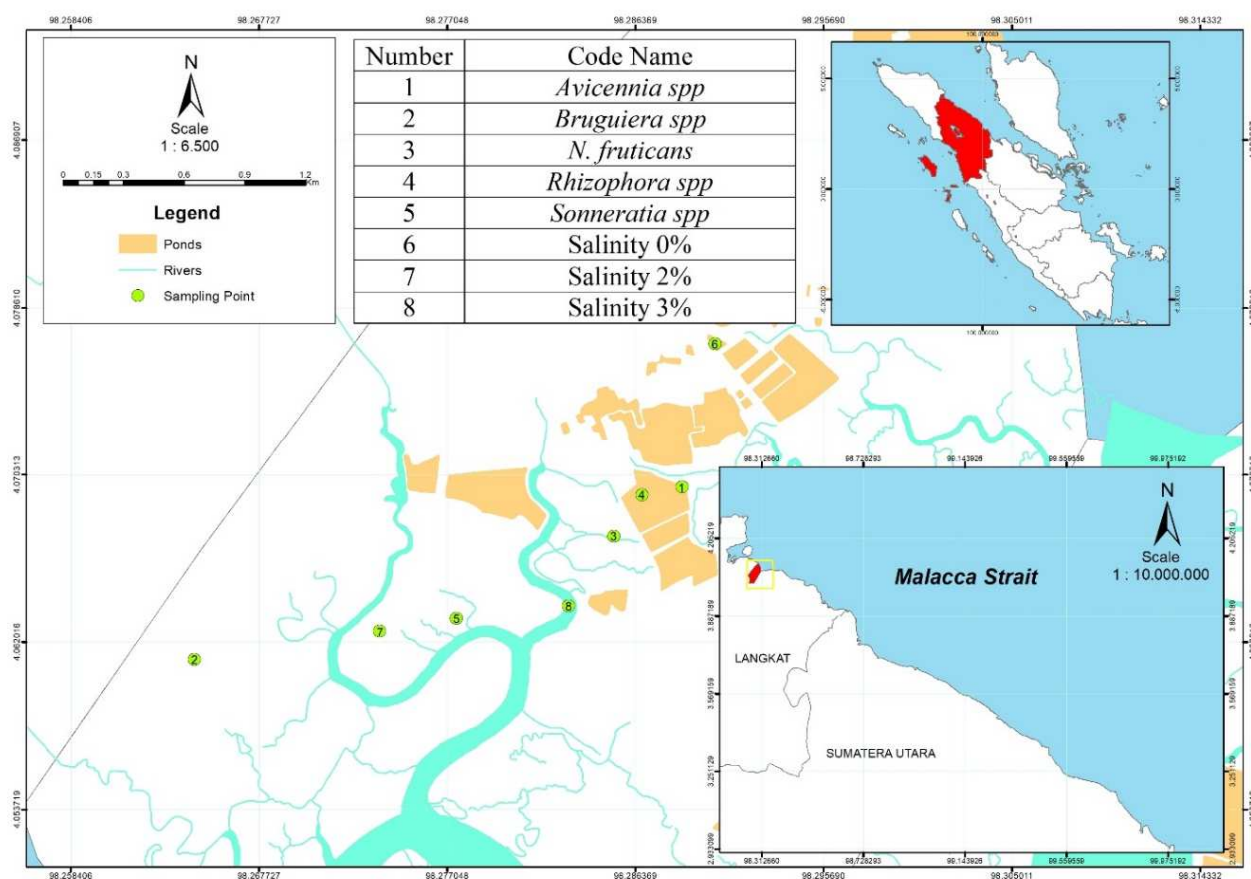


Fig. 1 Study sites showing a sampling point from mangrove litters, 1. *Avicennia spp.*, 2. *Bruguiera spp.*, 3. *N. fruticans* community, 4. *Rhizophora spp.*, 5. *Sonneratia spp.*, 6. Salinity 0%, 7. Salinity 2%, and Salinity 3%.

The samples from each salinity zone were collected using clear plastic bags to not mix with the other samples. At the time of sample collection, specific criteria were observed: fallen tree leaves, fallen brown litter that was still fresh, not taken. Clear plastic bags were labeled with the names of each salinity group according to their level so that it is easy to find samples in the research process. All the mangrove litter samples were stored in an ice cupboard before use.

### A. Study Site

The study was carried out from Lubuk Kertang mangrove forest, North Sumatra, Indonesia, covering an area of about 1200 ha. The Lubuk Kertang village is situated at 04°07'39.71" North latitudes and 98°30'97.87" East longitudes (Figure 1). Lubuk Kertang region belongs to Langkat Regency and Brandan Barat district. The zone was determined by identifying the communities around the location made from land to sea using a hand refractometer. The study sites consisted of the community of *Rhizophora spp.*, *Bruguiera spp.*, *Nypa fruticans* community, *Sonneratia spp.*, and *Avicennia spp.*, as shown in Figure 1. The salinity zone was determined by measuring the salinity level, carried out from landward to seaward using a hand refractometer. The study sites consisted of three zones: zone 1 with salinity (0%), zone 2 with salinity (2%), and zone 3 with salinity (3%), as depicted in Figure 1.

Then, the litter samples were collected. It was cutting for easier to dry. Furthermore, the samples were assigned in envelopes, labeled according to their respective zones or communities. In the next stage, it was ensured that the litter inside the envelope matched each type's label and then put in an oven at 60–70° C for 2 x 24 hours. Thereafter, the dry litter was used in the polyisoprenoid alcohol isolation (Fig. 2).

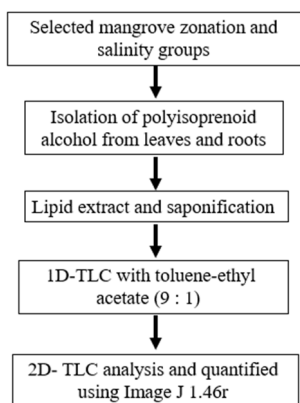


Fig. 2 Flow chart of polyisoprenoid isolation for leaves and roots.

## B. Chemicals

Dolichols from pig liver was obtained from Sigma. The dolichol (C<sub>95</sub>-C<sub>110</sub>) standard was from skipjack tuna livers [9]. Silica gel 60 TLC plates and reversed-phase silica RP-18 HPTLC plates were purchased from Merck. All other chemicals and solvents were of reagent grade.

## C. Isolation of Polyisoprenoid Alcohols

The procedure for the isolation of polyisoprenoid was performed as previously described [10]. Leaves and roots were dried at 60–75 °C for 1–2 days. The dried tissue (5 g each), crushed into a fine powder, was immersed in 30 ml solvent of chloroform/methanol (2:1, vol/vol) for 48 h. The lipid extract of leaves and roots was then saponified at 65 °C for 24 h in 86% ethanol containing 2 M KOH. The non-saponifiable lipid of each tissue was extracted with hexane, and the organic solvent was evaporated, thereafter re-dissolved in hexane.

## D. Analysis by Two-Dimensional Thin Layer Chromatography

The first dimension TLC was carried out for 60 min on a silica gel glass plate (20 x 3 cm) with a solvent system of toluene-ethyl acetate (9:1), as previously described [9]. The polyprenol family moved slightly faster than the corresponding dolichol family. The longitudinal edge of the first dimension TLC plate with 1 cm width and the concentration zone of a reversed-phase C-18 TLC was clamped, employing two magnetic bars (4.0 x 1.1 x 0.8 cm) facing each gel phase. The clamped TLC plate was developed perpendicularly to the first dimension to transfer polyprenol and dolichol into the concentration zone of the reversed-phase TLC plate. The second dimension reversed-phase C-18 silica gel TLC was performed with acetone for about 30 min. The position of separated polyisoprenoid alcohols being developed by two-dimension silica gel TLC was identified and visualized with iodine vapor. The developed chromatographic images were subsequently obtained and digitally scanned with Canon MG6100 series printer. Polyprenols and dolichols detected on HPTLC RP-18 plates were quantified using ImageJ 1.46r [11] with dolichols and polyprenols standard as reference. The rubber-like compounds remaining on the top solvent front area of the first silica-gel plate, without having transferred onto the RP-18 plate with acetone, were detected using iodine vapor.

## E. Cluster Analysis

Cluster analysis was performed on selected subsets of leaf data consisting of 75 variables from 21 species. In the analysis, eight species or communities were from this study, four species [9], and nine species [12]. All data were log (10) transformed. From these data, dendrograms representing both leaf and root data were drawn by clustering analysis using the unweighted pair group method with arithmetic mean (UPGMA) and MVSP (multivariate statistical package) 3.22 (Kovach Computing Service). Euclidean distance was chosen as the criterion for cluster combination.

## F. Nutrient Analysis

Analysis for element N of litter samples used fresh litters. The samples were blended and heated in an oven at 70°C, and then weighed. Subsequently, selenium solution and 5 ml of sulfuric acid were added into a tube after it was allowed to stand for 24 hours, and then it was heated for 24 hours. The digester was blocked at a temperature of 100°C for 2 hours. Thereafter, 2 ml of hydrogen peroxide was added, and it was reheated at 330°C for 2 hours, following which 2 ml of hydrogen peroxide was added again. It was then cooled and filtered using a Whatman paper filter into a 50 ml volumetric flask. The extraction results were read on the continuous flow analyzer, and the concentration of N was immediately read from the results.

P and Na matters were analyzed using a dry destruction analysis, a merging system that uses a muffle furnace tool. The sample was smoothed and heated in an oven at 70°C. After drying, the sample weighing 0.5 grams was transferred into a porcelain cup and then pulverized using a muffle furnace at a temperature of 200°C for one hour. The temperature of the muffle furnace was then raised to 450°C for two hours, then 2 ml of concentrated HCL was added to the samples. Subsequently, it was heated on a hotplate to dry, and then 2 ml HCl has added again. The extraction results were filtered using filter paper in a 50 ml vase flask. The results can be read or obtained for P using a continuous flow analyzer and for element Na, using the atomic absorption spectrophotometer (UV/Vis Spectrophotometer UV-1280, Shimadzu).

## G. Statistical Analysis

The data were described as mean ± standard deviation (SD) values for a given number of observations,  $n = 3$ . Mean nutrient values were statistically compared among samples using one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA), followed by pairwise comparisons made using Fisher's Least Significant Difference (LSD). The value of  $P < 0.05$  was selected as the limit of statistical significance. All statistical comparisons were calculated using the SAS 9.1 statistical software program (SAS Institute Inc., Cary, NC, USA).

## III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

### A. Polyisoprenoid Profile in Litter, Based on Community and Zonation

The study has conducted the content and quantification of polyisoprenoid compounds from zonation and salinity groups based on mangrove litter. The mangrove litter extraction to *Avicennia spp*, *Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa*, *Rhizophora spp*, and

*Sonneratia spp* communities, total lipid dolichol and polyprenol, were obtained (Table 1).

The distribution of polyprenol and dolichol with the carbon chain length in the community was described in Table 1. The total lipids and polyprenol and dolichol content from each zonation litter were varied. The total lipids in the litter network ranged from 365.3 to 648.2, with the smallest total lipids found in the *Nypa* community litter (365.3), and the largest total lipids found in the mangrove litter of the *Sonneratia spp* community (648.2). The most significant number of polyisoprenoids in litter tissue was *Sonneratia spp* (39.03 mg/g), and the smallest polyisoprenoid was found in *Nypa* litter (7.3 mg g).

Furthermore, the polyisoprenoid alcohols include dolichol than polyprenol. Based on the thin layer chromatography

analysis results of polyisoprenoids from mangrove litter (*Sonneratia spp*), dolichol chains of C80-C140, C90-C125, C80-C115, C85-C115, and C80-C140 were found (Table 2). Then, the polyisoprenoid compounds were found in *Sonneratia spp* litter with C65-C140 length (Table 2). Interestingly, polyisoprenoid compounds were only found in *Sonneratia spp* litter. In *Avicennia spp*, *Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa* community, and *Rhizophora spp*, polyprenol compounds were not found; only dolichol compounds were found in this study, similar to [9]. Whereas, in *A.marina*, *B. gymnorrhiza*, and old leaves of *B. gymnorrhiza*, and *E. agallocha*; in the case of *B. gymnorrhiza* leaves, polyprenol compounds were not detected.

TABLE I  
OCCURRENCE AND DISTRIBUTION OF POLYPRENYL ACETONES, POLYPRENOLS, DOLICHOLS IN MANGROVES

Species	Tissue	TL (mg/g dw)	PI (mg/g dw)	Pol Ace (mg/g)	Pol (mg/g)	Dol (mg/g)	% in total lipid			% in polyisoprenoid			Type	
							PI	Pol Ace	Pol	Pol Ace	Pol	Dol		
<i>Av. Alba*</i>	leaves	62.1	5.5	nd	nd	nd	8.9	nd	nd	8.9	nd	nd	100	I
<i>Av. Lanata*</i>	leaves	86.8	14.9	nd	nd	nd	17.1	nd	nd	17.1	nd	nd	100	I
<i>A. marina#</i>	leaves	108	3.3	nd	1.0	1.0	3.1	nd	1.0	3.0	nd	4.2	95.8	I
<i>Av. Officinalis*</i>	leaves	92.7	8.4	nd	nd	nd	9.1	nd	nd	9.1	nd	nd	100	I
<i>Avicennia spp</i>	litters	365.3	18	nd	nd	nd	4.9	nd	nd	4.9	nd	nd	100	I
<i>B. cylindrical*</i>	leaves	124.2	7.9	nd	3.4	3.4	6.3	nd	2.7	3.6	nd	2.7	57.3	II
<i>B. gymnoorhiza#</i>	leaves	154	3.7	nd	nd	nd	2.4	nd	nd	2.4	nd	nd	100	I
<i>B. parviflora*</i>	leaves	186.3	29.4	nd	nd	nd	15.8	nd	nd	15.8	nd	nd	100	I
<i>Bruguiera spp</i>	litters	533.2	8.5	nd	nd	nd	1.6	nd	nd	1.6	nd	nd	100	I
<i>N. fruticant*</i>	leaves	67.2	10.7	nd	nd	nd	15.9	nd	nd	15.9	nd	nd	100	I
<i>N. fruticans comm</i>	litters	471.4	7.3	nd	nd	nd	1.5	nd	nd	1.5	nd	nd	100	I
<i>R. apiculata*</i>	leaves	97	6.1	nd	2.6	2.6	6.3	nd	2.7	3.6	nd	42.8	57.2	II
<i>R. mucronata*</i>	leaves	53.1	4.1	nd	0.4	0.4	7.7	nd	0.7	7.0	nd	9.8	90.2	I
<i>R. stylosa#</i>	leaves	136	6.1	nd	0.4	0.4	4.5	nd	0.3	4.2	nd	6.3	93.7	I
<i>Rhizophora spp</i>	litters	477.3	9.5	nd	nd	nd	2.0	nd	nd	2.0	nd	nd	100	I
<i>S. alba#</i>	leaves	60	8.6	nd	5.0	5.0	14.4	nd	8.3	6.1	nd	57.8	42.2	II
<i>S. caseolaris*</i>	leaves	65.6	8.8	1.0	1.2	1.2	13.5	1.6	1.9	10.0	11.8	13.9	74.3	V
<i>Sonneratia spp</i>	litters	648.2	39.0	nd	19	19	6.0	nd	2.9	3.1	nd	49	51	II
0%	litters	822.8	54.2	nd	26.9	26.9	6.6	nd	3.2	3.4	nd	49.6	50.4	II
2%	litters	654.3	60.2	nd	36.2	36.2	9.1	nd	5.5	3.6	nd	60.2	39.8	II
3%	litters	798.4	38.4	nd	21.8	21.8	4.8	nd	2.7	2.1	nd	56.9	43.1	II

nd= not detected, TL= Total lipids, PI= Polyisoprenoids, Pol Ace= Polyprenyl Acetones, Pol= Polyprenols, Dol= Dolichols (\*from Basyuni et al 2016)

TABLE II  
CARBON CHAIN LENGTHS OF POLYPRENYLACETONE, POLYPRENOL, DOLICHOL OCCURRING IN MANGROVE LITTERS AND LEAVES

Species	Tissue	Polyprenol acetone	Polyprenol	Dolichol
<i>Av. alba</i>	leaves			60 65 70 75 80 85 90 95 100
<i>Av. lanata</i>	leaves			70 75 80 85 90 95 100
<i>A. marina</i>	leaves		70 75 80 85 90 95 100	65 70 75 80 85 90 95 100 105 110 115 120 125 130
<i>Av. officinalis</i>	leaves	45 50		70 75 80 85 90 95 100
<i>Avicennia spp</i>	litters		80 85	80 85 90 95 100 105 110
<i>B. cylindrical</i>	leaves			75 80 85
<i>B. gymnoorhiza</i>	leaves			75 80 85
<i>B. parviflora</i>	leaves			80 85 90
<i>Bruguiera spp</i>	litters			85 90 95 100
<i>N. fruticans</i>	leaves			75 80 85 90





II, can be seen in *Avicennia spp*, *Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa*, and *Rhizophora spp* litter. In contrast, *Sonneratia spp* is included in type-II, which can be seen in litter *Avicennia spp*, *Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa*, and *Rhizophora spp*. However, in *Sonneratia spp* litter, two dolichol and polyprenol compounds were included in type-II, because in the sample, only 48.8%

polyprenol was found. The distribution of polyisoprenoid in this study was dominated by dolichol. This type-I distributes in mangrove fault networks based on community. The analysis of polyisoprenoid in mangrove plant leaves shows that the main component of polyisoprenoid is not polyprenol compound but dolichol (Figure 4).

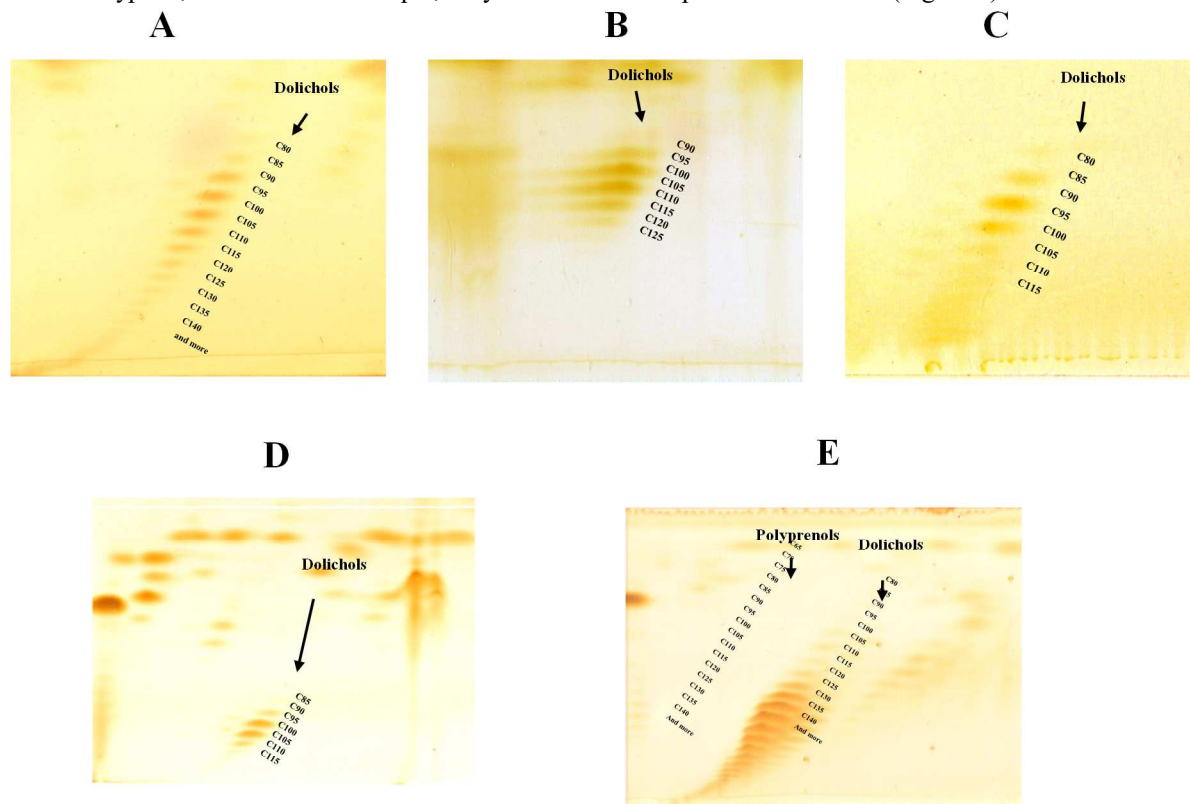


Fig. 4 Two-plate TLC of polyisoprenoids from mangrove community and zonation litters of *Avicennia spp* (A), *Bruguiera spp* (B), *Nypa fruticans* community (C), dan *Rhizophora spp* (D), dan *Sonneratia spp* (E).

#### D. Cluster Analysis

Cluster analysis for polyisoprenoids using data on carbon-chain length was used to construct separate species relationships. Figure 5 depicts the species relationships based on leaf polyisoprenoid carbon-chain lengths from 24 mangrove species. A cluster was constructed using the UPGMA method to confirm these findings. Figure 4 reveals

that 21 mangrove species fell into three groups. The dendrogram demonstrated that the zonations and salinity groups were generally clustered to appropriate species and families. The cluster also suggested that polyprenol and dolichol play a role as chemotaxonomic markers, are useful to identify and classify mangrove species, and phylogenetic works.

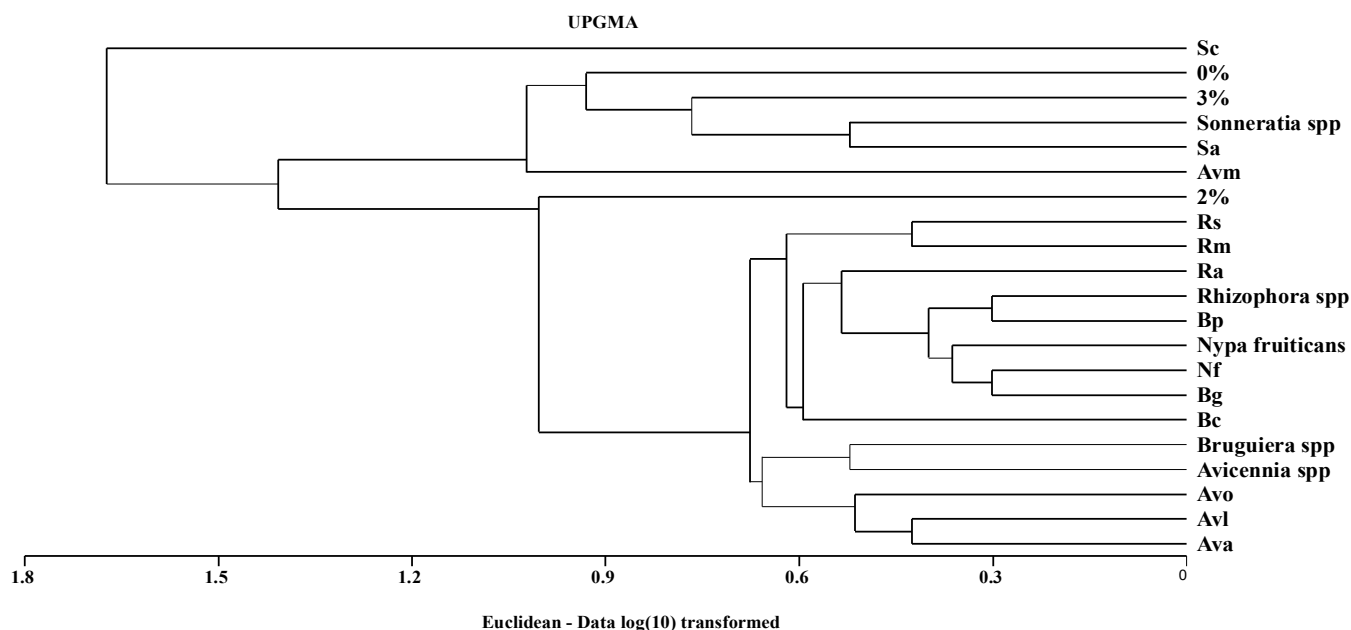


Fig. 5 Dendrogram depicting the relationship among 21 mangrove species from litter and leaf data on the carbon-chain lengths of polyisoprenoids by log (10) transformation using Euclidean distance. For species name, Ava, *A. alba*; Avl, *A. lanata*; Avm, *A. marina*; Avo, *A. officinalis*; Bg, *B. gymnorhiza*; Bc, *B. cylindrica*; Bp, *B. parviflora*; Nf, *N. fruticans*; Ra, *R. apiculata*; Rm, *R. mucronata*; Rs, *R. stylosa*; and Sa, *S. alba*; Sc, *S. caseolaris*; 0%, salinity 0%; 2%, salinity 2%; and 3%, salinity 3%.

#### E. Nutrient N, P, and Na in Mangrove Litters

Table 3 was showed the content of N, P, and Na in mangrove litter based on community and zonation *Avicennia spp*, *Bruguiera spp*, *Nypa*, and *Rhizophora spp*, and *Sonneratia spp* between 0.375% and 1.789% have the highest N element content with 1.789% in the *Avicennia spp* community and that of *Sonniratia spp*. The smallest content was in *Bruguiera spp* with 0.375%, and for the nutrient P, obtained in large quantities (macronutrients), the number of nutrients (phosphorus) in plants was smaller than nutrient nitrogen, which improves plant growth and protein, whereas N compounds in the soil, that the plants were green. The nutrients of P (phosphorus) ranging from 0.006% to 0.157% was analyzed in this study based on the mangrove community, with the most nutrients in *Avicennia spp* and the least in *Rhizophora spp*.

TABLE III  
NUTRIENT ANALYSIS FROM MANGROVE SALINITY CONCENTRATION

Mangrove zonation litters	N	P	Na
<i>Avicennia spp</i>	1.80±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.16±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	2.75±0.02 <sup>b</sup>
<i>Bruguiera spp</i>	0.38±0.00 <sup>c</sup>	0.04±0.00 <sup>d</sup>	1.60±0.14 <sup>d</sup>
<i>Nypa fruticans comm</i>	1.27±0.02 <sup>b</sup>	0.07±0.00 <sup>c</sup>	0.87±0.01 <sup>c</sup>
<i>Rhizophora spp</i>	0.44±0.00 <sup>d</sup>	0.01±0.00 <sup>d</sup>	2.57±0.07 <sup>c</sup>
<i>Sonneratia spp</i>	1.09±0.11 <sup>c</sup>	0.13±0.00 <sup>b</sup>	3.20±0.12 <sup>a</sup>

Data are expressed as mean ± SD (n=3). Means with the same superscript are not significantly different each other (P < 0.05) using Fisher's LSD.

The litters were provided for nutrients that directly or indirectly contribute to the growth of mangrove forests. The decomposition of organic matter derived from plant residues has the quality to release nutrients into the liquid. The need for nutrient concentrations is based on salinity levels, salinity of litter was various: 0%, 2%, and 3%, based on table 3. The results depict nutrient concentrations with the highest N values at 2% salinity (1.190 mg/g) and the lowest value at 3% salinity (0.524 mg/g). For nutrient concentrations of the element P, the highest value was obtained at 0% salinity with a magnitude of value 0.106 and the lowest value was obtained

with a value of 0.017 at salinity 3%. In addition, the concentration of Na nutrients obtained the highest results at 3% salinity with a value of 3,382 and the lowest value obtained at salinity 0% with a value of 0.165 (Table 4).

TABLE VI  
NUTRIENT ANALYSIS FROM MANGROVE SALINITY CONCENTRATION

Mangrove litter	N	P	Na
0 % salinity	1.10±0.00 <sup>b</sup>	0.11±0.00 <sup>a</sup>	0.17±0.00 <sup>c</sup>
2% salinity	1.19±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.09±0.00 <sup>b</sup>	1.87±0.42 <sup>b</sup>
3 % salinity	0.52±0.00 <sup>c</sup>	0.02±0.00 <sup>c</sup>	3.38±0.34 <sup>a</sup>

Means with the same superscript are not significantly different for each other (P < 0.05) using Fisher's LSD.

Polyprenol and dolichol is divided in leaves into three types (I, II, III) [8], [9]. In Type-I, dolichol was dominated by more than 90%. Type-II contained both polyprenol and dolichol compounds in plant tissues. While in Type-III, polyprenol dominated dolichol by more than 90%. In mangrove leaf litter tissue, it was found to be divided into type-I and type-II. This previous study is consistent with the results obtained in this study. Only type-I and type-II have dolichol more abundant than polyprenol, similar to previous research that found similar results in mangrove vegetation in Okinawa [9].

The polyprenol have been reported for the total content of mangrove leaf litter at a salinity of 0%, 2%, and 3% [13]. Therefore, this study clearly evaluates the quantification method used to calculate the total polyprenol and dolichol content with the smallest carbon chain length chains, namely C60, C65, C70, C75, and C80 at 2% salinity, and the largest number of chains, namely C80, C85, C90, C95, C100, C105, C110, C115, C120, C125, C120, C135, and C140. Thus, this method can be used for the quantification of polyprenol and dolichol from other species.

Polyisoprenoid alcohol content is significantly increased in tissues during life. Moreover, the accumulation of polyisoprenoid alcohol, stimulated in leaf litter, has been

shown to significantly induce the accumulation of polyprenol in infected leaves and leaf litter above. Interestingly, polyisoprenoid content increases exclusively in resistant tissue but not in susceptible plants [14].

In the long chain, dolichol has a variation in each dolichol network, which is different in each type, with the longest found in *Avicennia spp.* The shortest carbon chain was observed in *Nypa* and *Rhizophora spp.*, possibly caused by adaptation and environmental factors of each community; this finding is also supported by several previous studies on dolichol that dominates at the root of *R. Stylosa* and *S. alba*, showing dolichol is dominant. However, this study is slightly different from the earlier findings of polyisoprenoid analysis in the plant world (especially leaf tissue); polyprenols are usually detected in sufficient concentrations compared to dolichol [8], [13]-[15].

Conversely, in the animal world (e.g., especially liver tissue), dolichol is the main polyisoprenoid, and only a few polyprenol family compounds are found [16]-[18]. This is due to dolichol's function as a sugar-carrying lipid in the biosynthesis of N-glycoprotein and Protein GPI. This finding makes the present research different from the previous reports that polyprenol, which dominates in mangrove plants, has a higher dolichol concentration than polyprenol compounds.

Nutrient of Na was playing a role in opening the stomata and can replace the role of the element K; it can also play a role in forming tubers and preventing rot in the roots' middle part (heart rot). Hence, the role of Na in this study is greater than the nutrients N, P. However, the results of the analysis show no trends that appear in the levels of Na N, and P, but the levels of soil nutrients and plant leaves are interconnected; more than two-thirds of nutrients in the soil are absorbed by plant roots and stored in leaves [19], [20].

#### IV. CONCLUSIONS

This study confirmed two types associated with the distribution of polyprenol and dolichol. Type-I, it was observed in *Avicennia spp.*, *Bruguiera spp.*, *Nypa fruticans*, and *Rhizophora spp.* Furthermore, type-II, including in *Sonneratia spp.* The zonations and salinity groups were generally clustered with regard to appropriate species and family. Domination of dolichol compounds in the mangrove litters (type-I) function as chemotaxonomic markers, could be useful in identifying and classifying mangrove species and phylogenetic studies.

#### NOMENCLATURE

Two-Dimensional Thin Layer Chromatography	2D-TLC
Unweighted-Pair Group Method with Arithmetic mean	UPGMA
Multivariate Statistical Package	MVSP
Total Lipid	TL
Polyprenol	Pol
Dolichol	Dol

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