
Abstract
The isolation is reported of zeylasterone (I; R = H, R1 = CO2H), a new triterpene, from Kokoona zeylanica. The structure was elucidated by std. phys. studies of I and its tri-Me deriv., and by comparison with 6-oxodimethylpristimerol (I; R = R1 = Me), prepd. by sequential redn., methylation, and oxidn. of pristimerin (II).