

# A review on phytochemical constituents, role on metabolic diseases, and toxicological assessments of underutilized part of *Garcinia mangostana* L. fruit

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## ABSTRACT

Metabolic diseases are one of the problems in public health and become the major causes of mortality. These have led the scientist to solve the metabolic disease-related problems by exploring some natural medicine and phytochemicals to prevent and to treat them. One of the plant medicines potential to be developed is *Garcinia mangostana* L. or mangosteen which belongs to the family Clusiaceae. The underutilized part of the fruit including pericarp and seed is a promising candidate as herbal medicine, particularly to treat and to prevent the metabolic diseases. This review was aimed to update some research findings regarding the biological activities of the underutilized parts of mangosteen (pericarp and seed) along with phytochemical components. During this review, some information which are relevant to the study have been compiled using scientific literature from electronic search engines, including ScienceDirect, PubMed, Web of Science, Google Scholar, and other scientific electronic resources. Additional literature works were obtained from book chapters, books, websites, government reports, and other related sources. The underutilized part of mangosteen fruit is rich in xanthone derivatives as value-added constituents. The pericarp and seed also contain the derivatives of benzophenones, flavonoids, and anthocyanins. This study highlighted on the possible medicinal properties, especially for metabolic diseases such as obesity and lipid metabolism disorder, high blood pressure, diabetes along with its complication, and cancer. Besides, toxicological assessments were discussed to ensure the safety and trust of the consumers.

## INTRODUCTION

In recent years, non-communicable diseases (NCDs) have become the major cause of mortality in both developing and developed countries (Saklayen, 2018). Among all these NCDs, the metabolic diseases have been associated with life behavior (Kaur, 2014; Saklayen, 2018). Metabolic syndromes are a cluster of metabolic abnormalities, which can be marked

by the interconnectedness of physiological, biochemical, clinical, and metabolic factors, so that they can promote various diseases such as obesity, hypertension, hyperglycemic, cancer, and other diseases (Kaur, 2014; Saklayen, 2018; Srikanthan *et al.*, 2016).

Nowadays, the lifestyle behavior has shifted toward a more health awareness behavior such as a consumption of value-added products and health-boosting foods and drinks containing some bioactive compounds mainly phenolics and flavonoids having potential activities to lower the risk of diseases (Bigliardi and Galati, 2013; Dell'agli *et al.*, 2013; Siró *et al.*, 2008). One of the common food supplements is derived from the plant bioactive compounds present in leaves, fruit, bark, and other parts (Cencic and Chingwaru, 2010). *Garcinia mangostana* L. is a potential plant which has evidence of broad pharmacological activities (Obolskiy *et al.*, 2009).

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*Garcinia mangostana* L. or mangosteen, belonging to the genus *Garcinia* (family: Clusiaceae), is an evergreen and lactiferous tree (Lim, 2012; The Plant List, 2013). It is a native to the Malay archipelago and distributed in the tropical area. The fruit is a berry, globose to subglobose, smooth, turning from pale green to pink to maroon to dark purple-black when ripe and has a size of approximately 4–7 cm in diameter (Fig. 1). Mangosteen fruit is usually eaten as dessert, which is well known as the queen of fruits. As a consequence, the waste of the pericarp and seed is abundance. Therefore, there are some research works on exploring health-beneficial of underutilized part of mangosteen in both pericarp and seed as food supplements (Ovalle-Magallanes *et al.*, 2017). Many researchers have found a number of beneficial phytochemical constituents in both pericarp and seed of mangosteen plant including xanthenes, benzophenones, flavonoids, and anthocyanins (Chin and Kinghorn, 2008; Lim, 2012). Xanthenes are phytochemical constituents, which have many health benefits particularly for metabolic diseases (Pedraza-Chaverri *et al.*, 2008).

Some review articles existed in relation to mangosteen fruit. Rohman *et al.* (2019) explained the chemical composition and antioxidant studies of the underutilized part of mangosteen. However, this review failed to explore the other effects of mangosteen in preventing the metabolic disorders such as lipid metabolism disorder, high blood pressure, diabetes, and cancer. Gutierrez-Orozco and Failla (2013) discussed the biological

activities of xanthenes (as main component in mangosteen) as antioxidant, antiproliferative, proapoptotic, anti-inflammatory, and anticarcinogenic activities along with molecular mechanism underlying these biological activities. A similar review also existed related to biological activities of xanthenes isolated from mangosteen pericarp as antineoplastic agent, antioxidant, antiproliferation, and induction of apoptosis (Chen *et al.*, 2018). Both the review articles did not inform the other components such as flavonoid and phenolics contributing the biological activities. Besides, this review also did not explain the safety issues related to xanthone derivatives.

Wang *et al.* (2017) discussed the biological activities of compounds belonging to isoprenylated xanthenes present in mangosteen pericarp. The numerous *in vitro* and *in vivo* studies possess diverse pharmacological activities, such as antibacterial, antifungal, antimalarial, anticarcinogenic, and antiatherogenic activities as well as neuroprotective properties in Alzheimer's disease. However, this article did not explore wider metabolic disorders such as lipid disorders and diabetic diseases. In this review, we provided the current reports on the phytochemical and pharmacological progress, especially for metabolic diseases and toxicological study to convince the consumers and patients. More importantly, this study was expected to promote researchers and stakeholders to develop further investigations of the underutilized part of mangosteen as food supplements.

## PHYTOCHEMICAL PROPERTIES

The previous investigations on phytochemical of the underutilized part of mangosteen fruit revealed the abundance of xanthenes, benzophenones, flavonoids, and anthocyanins (Chin and Kinghorn, 2008; Lim, 2012). Health benefits of the underutilized part of this fruit are focussed on xanthenes, particularly  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -, and  $\gamma$ -mangostin, garcinone E, 8-deoxygartanine, and gartanine having the chemical structures as shown in Figure 2 (Pedraza-Chaverri *et al.*, 2008). Besides that, xanthenes have been isolated from pericarp, whole fruit, heartwood, stem bark, root bark, and leaves of mangosteen (Pedraza-Chaverri *et al.*, 2008). In the present profile, all known secondary metabolites of the underutilized part of mangosteen fruit found in the literature are shown in Table 1.

## HEALTH BENEFITS FOR METABOLIC DISEASES

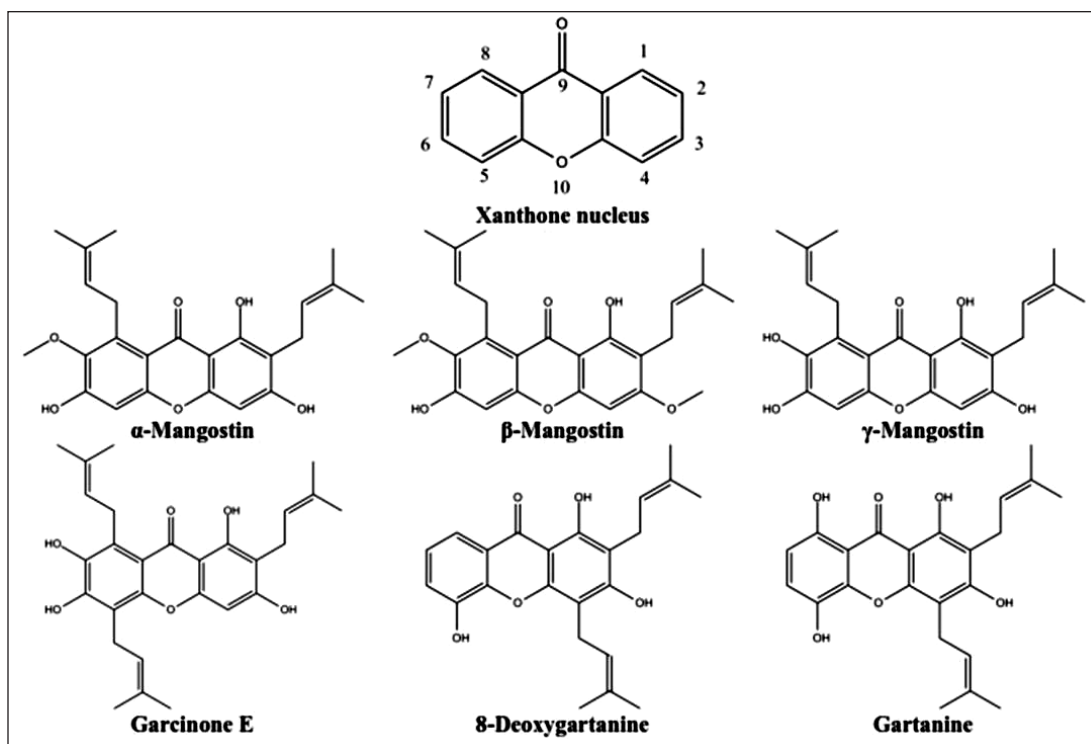
Several publications reported the biological activities of the underutilized part of mangosteen, including anti-obesity and lipid metabolism disorder, antihypertensive, antidiabetic, and anticancer activities (Table 2).

### Obesity and lipid metabolism disorder

Obesity is an abnormality of adipose tissue due to its excessive secretion of adipokines having a major contribution in the pathophysiology of diabetes mellitus, insulin resistance, dyslipidemia, hypertension, and atherosclerosis (Redinger, 2007). There are numerous pharmacological activities related to anti-obesity and lipid metabolism disorder, including anti-adipogenic, antihyperlipidemic, anti-inflammatory, and antioxidant activity (Adiputro *et al.*, 2013; Liu *et al.*, 2014; Lusiana *et al.*, 2015). Besides, the molecular mechanisms are also proposed, such as decreasing the induction by lipopolysaccharide of inflammatory genes, preventing the insulin resistance in human adipocytes, inhibiting the pancreatic lipase and  $\alpha$ -amylase, and activating monophosphate-activated



Figure 1. Photographs of *Garcinia mangostana* L. fruit (a) fresh, (b) dried.



**Figure 2.** Xanthone nucleus and structure belong to some xanthenes of *G. mangostana* L. (approximately here).

protein kinase (AMP)-activated protein kinase (Bumrungpert *et al.*, 2009; Chae *et al.*, 2016a; 2016b; Ketut *et al.*, 2016).

The ethanolic extract of mangosteen pericarp at a dose of 200 mg/kgBW can increase HDL level; meanwhile, at a dose of 400 mg/kgBW, it can decrease cholesterol, triglyceride, and low-density lipoprotein (LDL) (Adiputro *et al.*, 2013). Lusiana *et al.* (2015) reported that the ethanolic extract of mangosteen pericarp possesses a better anti-adipogenic in human liver carcinoma cells (HepG2) cell than other xanthenes, such as  $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -mangostin, garcinone C, and garcinone D by inhibiting triglyceride and cholesterol synthesis. Besides, the extract of fruit pericarp has a better potency to inhibit pancreatic lipase and  $\alpha$ -amylase activity than that of  $\alpha$ -mangostin. However, its activity was still lower than the standard active pharmaceutical ingredients of orlistat and acarbose (Ketut *et al.*, 2016). Recently, Kusmayadi *et al.* (2019) also reported that mangosteen decreased total cholesterol levels due to the presence of xanthenes having hypocholesterolemic activity capable of reducing cholesterol levels. During the cholesterol formation, there is a stage of squalene synthesis. The antioxidant compounds (xanthone derivatives) could inhibit the squalene synthesis, and thus, cholesterol formation could be decreased (Chomnawang *et al.*, 2007).

An *in vivo* study by Chae *et al.* (2016b) indicated that the ethanolic extract of mangosteen pericarp at 200 mg/kgBW decreased triglyceride, cholesterol, LDL, and free fatty acid levels. These extracts also exert anti-obesity by activating the hepatic AMP-activated protein kinase and Sirtuin 1 and by suppressing peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors (PPAR $\gamma$ ) expression in the liver (Chae *et al.*, 2016b). Thirteen xanthenes isolated from mangosteen pericarp including  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -, and  $\gamma$ -mangostin, 1-isomangostin, gartanine, garcinone D, 9-hydroxycalabaxanthone, smeathxanthone A, tovophyllin A, 8-deoxygartanine, mangostanin,

calocalabaxanthone, and 1,7-dihydroxy-3-methoxy-2-(3-methylbut-2-enyl) xanthen-9-one showed the inhibition of pancreatic lipase (Chae *et al.*, 2016a). This study also showed that  $\alpha$ -mangostin was found to possess the most potent lipase inhibitor with an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 5.0  $\mu$ M; meanwhile, orlistat as positive control has an IC<sub>50</sub> of 3.9  $\mu$ M (Chae *et al.*, 2016a). Besides, xanthenes including  $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -mangostin attenuate LPS-mediated inflammation and insulin resistance in human adipocytes, possibly by inhibiting the activation of mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK), NF- $\kappa$ B, and activator protein (AP)-1 activity (Bumrungpert *et al.*, 2009).

### Reducing high blood pressure

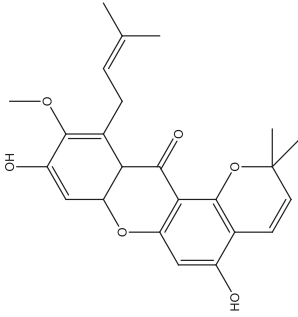
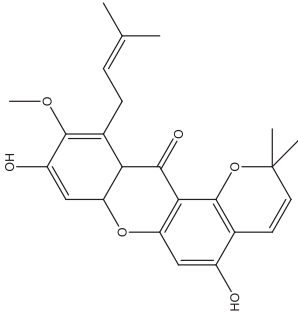
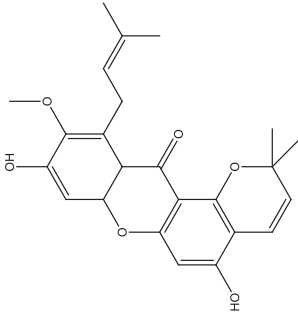
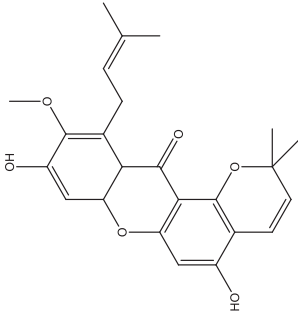
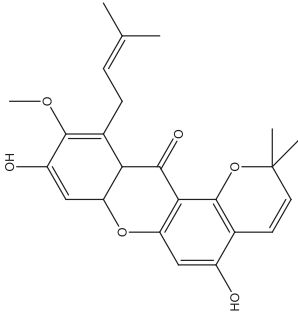
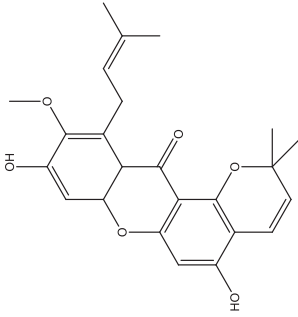
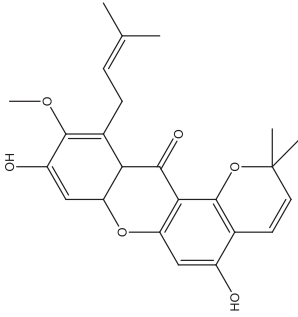
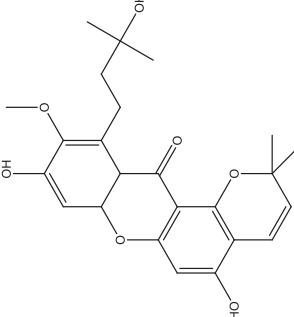
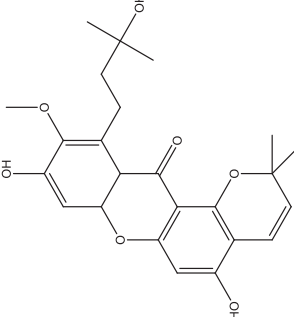
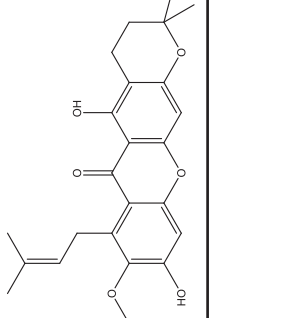
Hypertension is a main risk of cardiovascular disease, including ischemic heart disease, ultimately cardiac failure, coronary artery disease, atrial fibrillation, and peripheral vascular disease (Boonprom *et al.*, 2017; Slivnick and Lampert, 2019). Some research works have been proven that mangosteen pericarp has antihypertensive activity. The water extract of the pericarp at a dose of 200 mg/kgBW has the protective effect on nitro-L-arginine methyl ester (L-NAME)-induced hypertension and cardiovascular remodeling. This extract might prevent the oxidative stress induced by L-NAME and enhance the nitric oxide (NO) bioavailability via suppressing NADPH oxidase subunit p47<sup>phox</sup> expression. Furthermore, this extract can prevent inflammation development in L-NAME hypertensive rats by decreasing plasma tumor necrosis factor- $\alpha$  (TNF- $\alpha$ ) and suppressing iNOS protein expression (Boonprom *et al.*, 2017).

Another report showed that some isolated active compounds from mangosteen pericarp including aromadendrin-8-C- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside, maclurin-6-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (rhodanthenone), and epicatechin can alleviate the excision of

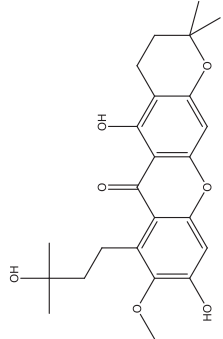
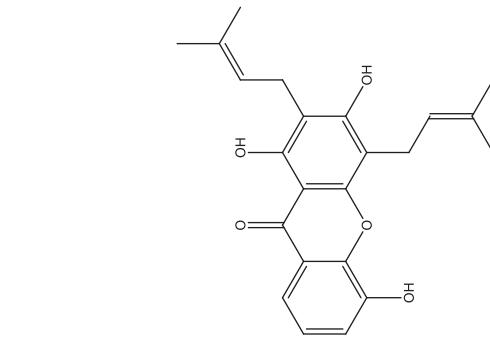
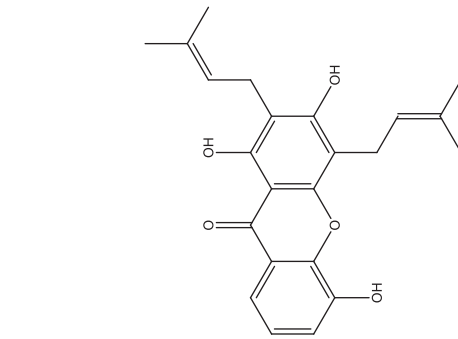
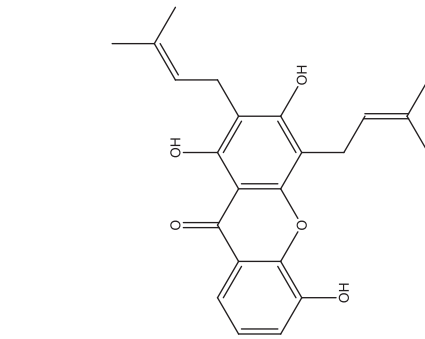
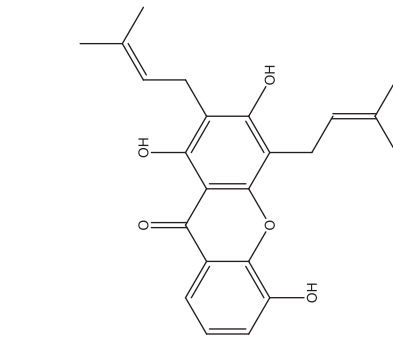
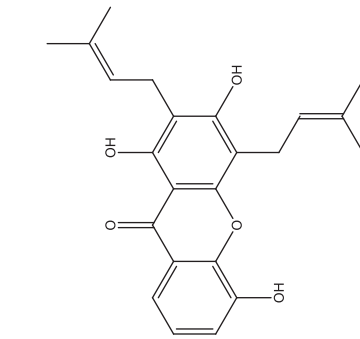
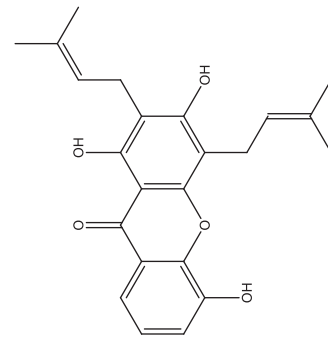
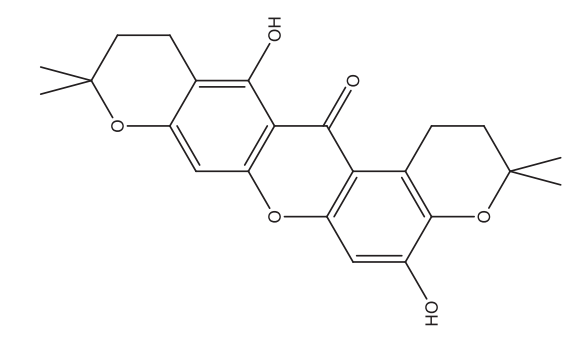
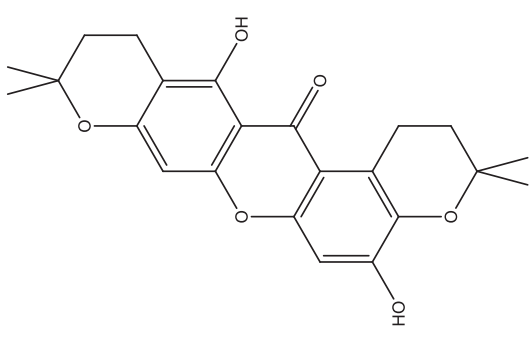
Table 1. Secondary metabolites contained in different parts of *Garcinia mangostana* L.

No.	Chemical compounds	Chemical structures	Underutilized parts	References
1	Xanthones $\alpha$ -Mangostin		Pericarp; Seed	Gopalakrishnan <i>et al.</i> (1997)
2	$\beta$ -Mangostin		Pericarp	Gopalakrishnan <i>et al.</i> (1997)
3	$\gamma$ -Mangostin		Pericarp	Gopalakrishnan <i>et al.</i> (1997)
4	1,3,6,7-Tetrahydroxy-2,8-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-xanthoneP1		Pericarp	Yu <i>et al.</i> (2007)
5	1,3,6,7-Tetrahydroxy-8-isoprenyl-9H-xanthen-9-one		Pericarp	Huang <i>et al.</i> (2001)
6	1,3,6,7-Tetrahydroxy-8-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-9H-xanthen-9-one		Pericarp	Huang <i>et al.</i> (2001)
7	1,3,6-Trihydroxy-7methoxy-2,8-(3-methyl-2butenyl)-xanthone P2		Pericarp	Yu <i>et al.</i> (2007)
8	1,3,7-Trihydroxy-2,8-di-(3-methylbut-2-enyl) xanthone		Pericarp	Mahaburakam <i>et al.</i> (1987)
9	1,5-Dihydroxy-2-(3methylbut-2-enyl)-3methoxy-xanthone		Pericarp	A-sai <i>et al.</i> (1995)
10	1,5-dihydroxy-2-isopentyl-3-methoxy-xanthone		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992)

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11	1,5-Dihydroxy-2-isoprenyl-3-methoxyxanthone		Pericarp	Asai <i>et al.</i> (1995), Inuma <i>et al.</i> (1996); Huang <i>et al.</i> (2001)
12	1,6-Dihydroxy-7-methoxy-8-isoprenyl-6',6'-dimethylpyrano(2',3':3,2)xanthone		Pericarp	Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2003)
13	1,7-Dihydroxyxanthone		Pericarp	Inuma <i>et al.</i> (1996)
14	1,7-Dihydroxy-2-(3-methylbut-2-enyl)-3-methoxy-xanthone		Pericarp	Asai <i>et al.</i> (1995)
15	1,7-Dihydroxy-2-isopentyl-3-methoxy-xanthone		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992)
16	5,9-Dihydroxy-8-methoxy-2,2-dimethyl-7-isoprenyl-2H,6H-pyrano[3,2-b]xanthen-6-one		Pericarp	Sen <i>et al.</i> (1980)
17	1,7-Dihydroxy-2-isoprenyl-3-methoxyxanthone		Pericarp	Asai <i>et al.</i> (1995); Inuma <i>et al.</i> (1996); Huang <i>et al.</i> (2001)
18	1-Isomangostin		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992); Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006); Mahaburakam and Wiriyachitra (1987); Peres <i>et al.</i> (2000); Vieira and Kijjoa (2005).
19	1-Isomangostin hydrate		Pericarp	Mahaburakam and Wiriyachitra (1987); Peres <i>et al.</i> (2000);
20	3-Isomangostin		Pericarp	Mahaburakam <i>et al.</i> (1987); Huang <i>et al.</i> (2001)

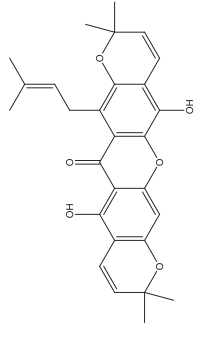
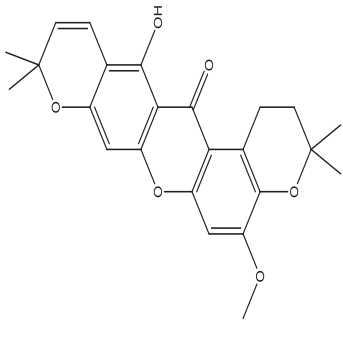
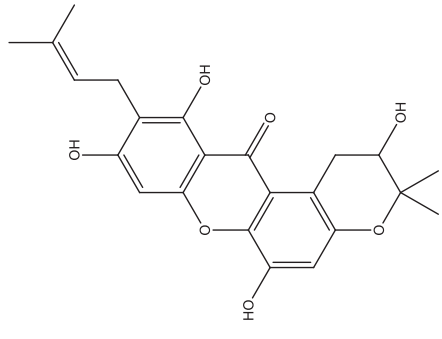
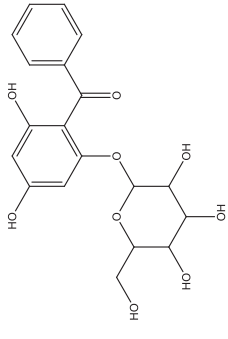
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22	2-Isoprenyl-1,7-dihydroxy-3-methoxyxanthone		Pericarp	Matsumoto <i>et al.</i> (2003)
23	2,7-di-Isoprenyl-1,3,8-trihydroxy-4-methyl xanthone		Pericarp	Gopalakrishnan and Balaganesan (2000)
24	2,8-di-Isoprenyl-7-carboxy-1,3-trihydroxy-4-methyl xanthone		Pericarp	Gopalakrishnan and Balaganesan (2000)
25	2,8-Diisoprenyl-7-carboxy-1,3-dihydroxyxanthone		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992)
26	2-(γ;-Dimethylallyl)-1,7-dihydroxy-3-methoxyxanthone		Pericarp	Chairungsriert <i>et al.</i> (1998b); Gopalakrishnan <i>et al.</i> (1997);
27	8-Deoxygartanin		Pericarp	Gopalakrishnan and Balaganesan (2000); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2006); Vieira and Kijjoo (2005)
28	8-Hydroxyxanthone		Pericarp	Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006)
29	BR-Xanthone A		Pericarp	Balasubramanian and Rajagopalan (1988)



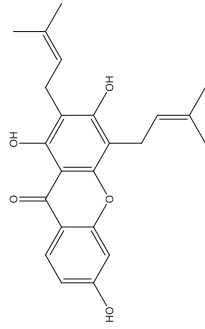
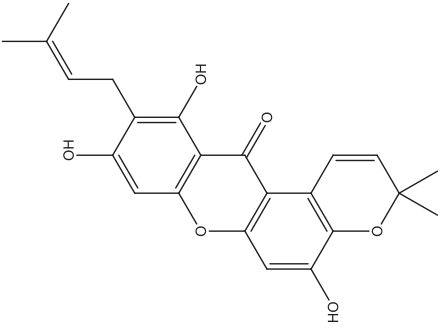
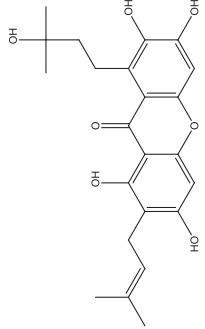
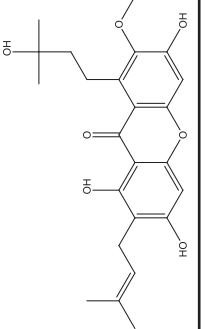
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32	Caloxanthone A		Pericarp	Iinuma <i>et al.</i> (1996)
33	Cudraxanthone G		Pericarp	Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006)
34	Demethylcalabaxanthone		Seed	Mahabusarakam and Wiriyachitra (1987); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2003)
35	2-(γ,γ'-Dimethylallyl)-1,7-dihydroxy-3-methoxyxanthone		Pericarp	Mahabusarakam <i>et al.</i> (1987)
36	2,8bis(γ, γ'-Dimethylallyl)-1,3,7-trihydroxyxanthone		Pericarp	Mahabusarakam <i>et al.</i> (1987)
37	Esmetaxanthone A		Pericarp	Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006)
38	Euxanthone		Pericarp	Gopalakrishnan <i>et al.</i> (1997)

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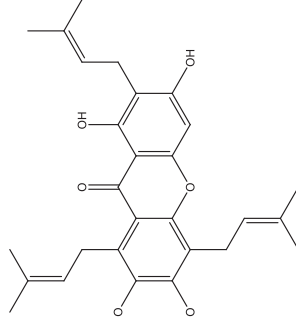
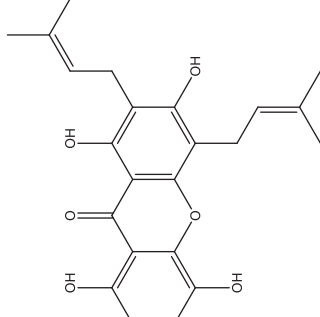
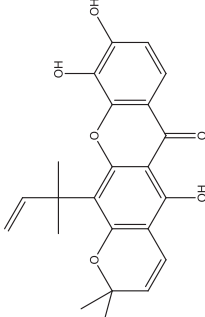
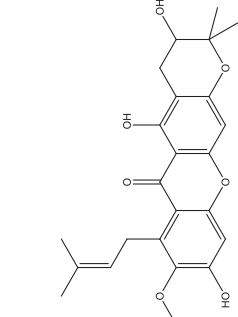
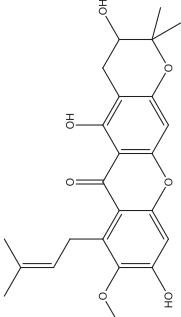
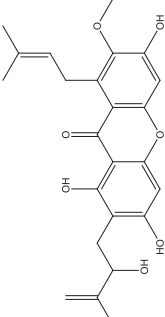
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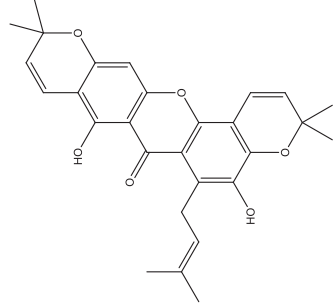
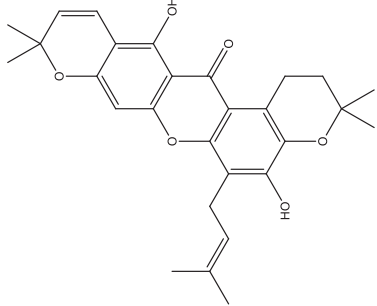
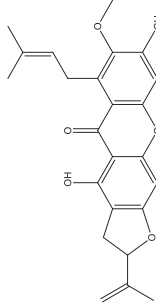
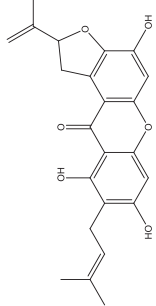
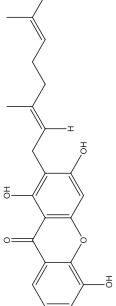
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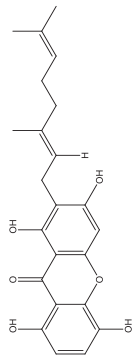
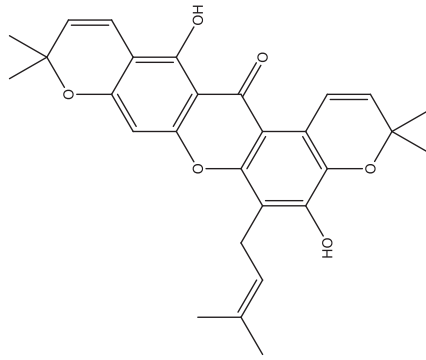
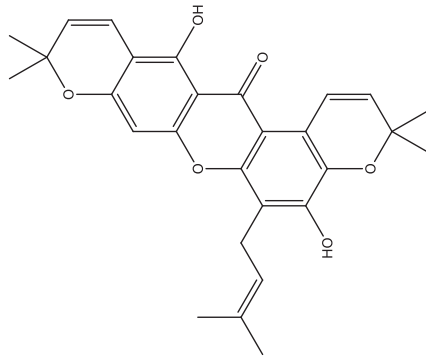
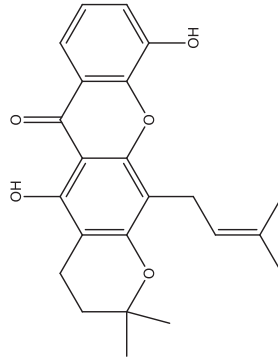
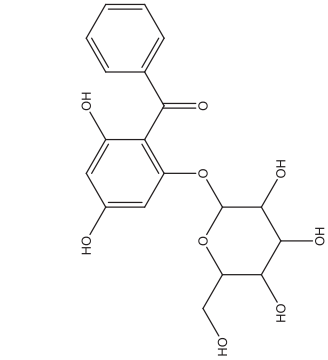
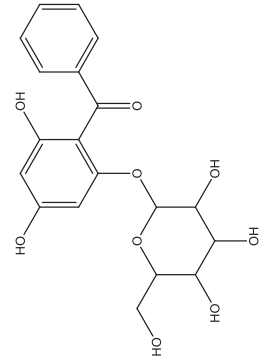
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45	Garcinone C		Pericarp	Sen <i>et al.</i> (1982)
46	Garcinone D		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992); Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2003; 2006); Vieira and Kijjoa (2005)

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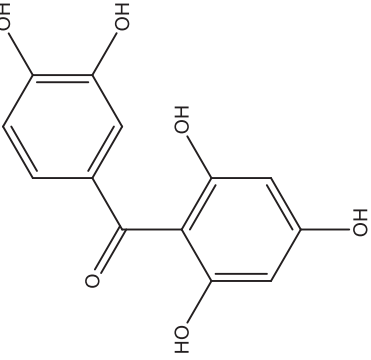
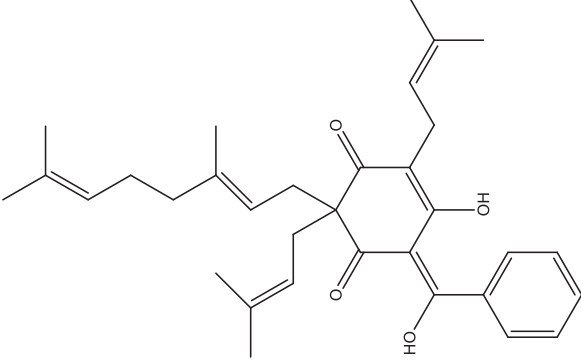
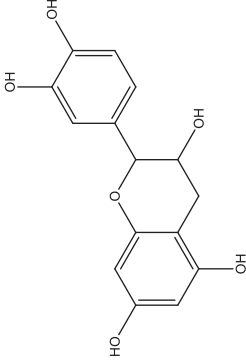
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48	Garttanin		Pericarp	Chairungritlerd <i>et al.</i> (1998a); Gopalakrishnan <i>et al.</i> (1997); Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006); Mahabusarakam and Wiriyachitra (1987); Peres <i>et al.</i> (2000); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2006); Vieira and Kijjoo (2005)
49	Macluraxanthone		Pericarp	Imuma <i>et al.</i> (1996)
50	Mangostanin		Pericarp	Harrison (2002); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2003); Vieira and Kijjoo (2005)
51	Mangostanol		Pericarp	Chairungritlerd (1998a); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2002, 2003); Huang <i>et al.</i> (2001)
52	Mangostenol		Pericarp	Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2002); Vieira and Kijjoo (2005)

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54	Mangostenone B		Pericarp	Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2002); Vieira and Kijjoo (2005)
55	Mangostenone F		Pericarp	Ryu <i>et al.</i> (2010)
56	Mangostenone G		Pericarp	Ryu <i>et al.</i> (2010)
57	Mangostinone		Pericarp	Asai <i>et al.</i> (1995); Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006); Matsumoto <i>et al.</i> (2003); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2006); Vieira and Kijjoo (2005)
58	Mangostinone [7-methoxy-2-(3-isoprenyl)-8-(3-methyl-2-oxo-3-butenyl)-1,3,6-trihydroxyxanthone		Pericarp	Jung <i>et al.</i> (2006)
59	1-Methoxy-2,4,5-trihydroxyxanthone		Pericarp	Balasubramanian and Rajagopalan (1988)

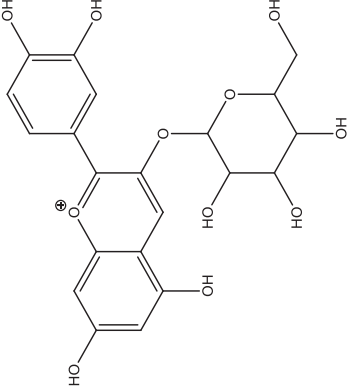
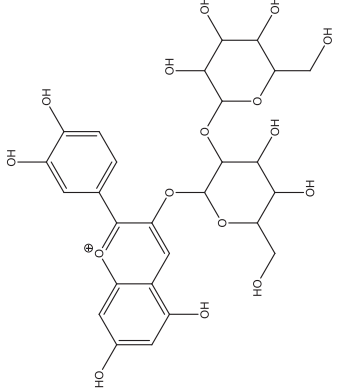
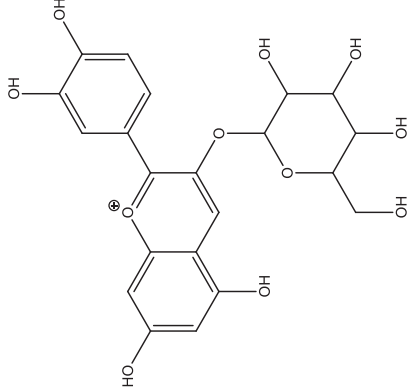
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62	Tovophyllin B		Pericarp	Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2002); Vieira and Kijjoa (2005)
63	Trapezifolixanthone		Pericarp	Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2002); Vieira and Kijjoa (2005)
64	Xanthone I		Seed	Chin and Kinghorn (2008)
1	<b>Benzophenons</b> Garcimangosone D		Pericarp	Huang <i>et al.</i> (2001)

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No.	Chemical compounds	Chemical structures	Underutilized parts	References
2	Xanthones Maclurin		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992); Mahabusarakam and Wiriyachitra (1987)
3	Kolanone		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992)
1	Flavonoids Epicatehin		Pericarp	Chairungriert <i>et al.</i> (1998b); Suksamram <i>et al.</i> (2002); Yu <i>et al.</i> (2007)

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No.	Chemical compounds	Chemical structures	Underutilized parts	References
1	Anthocyanins Chrysanthemmin		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992)
2	Cyanidin-3-O-sophoroside		Pericarp	Farnsworth and Bunyapraphatsara (1992)
3	Cyanidin-glucoside		Pericarp	Lim (2012)
4	Cyanidin-glucoside-pentoside		Pericarp	Lim (2012)

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Table 2. Pharmacological activities of *G. mangostana* L.

Pharmacological activities	Remarks	References
Anti-obesity	<p>The ethanolic extract of pericarp at a dose of 200 mg/kgBW can increase HDL level; meanwhile, at a dose of 400 mg/kgBW, it can decrease cholesterol, triglyceride, and LDL.</p> <p>The ethanolic extract of pericarp possesses the better anti-adipogenic in HepG2 cell than other xanthenes such as <math>\alpha</math>-mangostin, <math>\gamma</math>-mangostin, garcinone C, and garcinone D by inhibiting triglyceride and cholesterol synthesis.</p> <p>The ethanolic extract of pericarp also has a better potency to inhibit pancreatic lipase and <math>\alpha</math>-amylase activity than <math>\alpha</math>-mangostin.</p> <p>Mangosteen decreased total cholesterol levels.</p> <p>The ethanolic extract of pericarp at 200 mg/kgBW decreased triglyceride, cholesterol, LDL, and free fatty acid levels. These extracts also exert antiobesity by activating the hepatic AMP-activated protein kinase and Sirtuin 1 and by suppressing PPAR<math>\gamma</math> expression in the liver.</p> <p>Thirteen xanthenes isolated from mangosteen pericarp including <math>\alpha</math>-mangostin, <math>\beta</math>-mangostin, <math>\gamma</math>-mangostin, 1-isomangostin, gartanin, garcinone D, 9-hydroxycycalabaxanthone, smeathxanthone A, tovoophyllin A, 8-deoxygartanin, mangostanin, calocalabaxanthone, and 1,7-dihydroxy-3-methoxy-2-(3-methylbut-2-enyl) xanthen-9-one showed the inhibition of pancreatic lipase. This study also showed that <math>\alpha</math>-mangostin was found to possess the most potent lipase inhibitor with an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 5.0 <math>\mu</math>M.</p> <p>Xanthenes including <math>\alpha</math>- and <math>\gamma</math>-mangostin attenuate LPS-mediated inflammation and insulin resistance in human adipocytes, possibly by inhibiting the activation of mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK), NF-<math>\kappa</math>B, and activator protein (AP)-1 activity.</p>	<p>Adiputro <i>et al.</i> (2013)</p> <p>Lusiana <i>et al.</i> (2015)</p> <p>Ketut <i>et al.</i> (2015)</p> <p>Kusmayadi <i>et al.</i> (2019)</p> <p>Chae <i>et al.</i> (2016b)</p> <p>Chae <i>et al.</i> (2016a)</p> <p>Bumrungpert <i>et al.</i> (2009)</p> <p>Boonprom <i>et al.</i> (2017)</p> <p>Abdallah <i>et al.</i> (2016)</p> <p>Tep-Areenan and Suksamram (2012)</p>
Antihypertension	<p>The water extract of the pericarp at a dose of 200 mg/kgBW has the protective effect on L-NAME (nitro-L-arginine methyl ester)-induced hypertension, prevent the oxidative stress, enhance nitric oxide (NO) bioavailability via suppressing NADPH oxidase subunit p47<sup>phox</sup> expression, and prevent inflammation by decreasing plasma TNF-<math>\alpha</math> and suppressing iNOS protein expression.</p> <p>Isolated active compounds from pericarp including aromadendrin-8-C-<math>\beta</math>-D-glucopyranoside, maclurin-6-O-<math>\beta</math>-D-glucopyranoside, and epicatechin can alleviate the excision of vasoconstriction in the aorta and vasodilation in pre-contracted aorta through vasodilation mechanism.</p> <p><math>\gamma</math>-Mangostin possesses antihypertensive via NO-cGMP pathway, inhibition of extracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup>, influx and activation of K<sup>+</sup> channels, and prevention of vasoconstriction in the rat aorta.</p>	<p>Kurniawati <i>et al.</i> (2014)</p> <p>Husen <i>et al.</i> (2017)</p> <p>Taher <i>et al.</i> (2016)</p> <p>Mishra <i>et al.</i> (2016)</p>
Antidiabetic	<p>The juice of pericarp at 110 mg/kgBW showed glucose level reduction and pancreatic histology improvement due to streptozotocin induction.</p> <p>The ethanolic extract of pericarp on type-2 diabetic mice showed an ability to reduce fasting blood cholesterol level and lipid peroxidation, i.e., malondialdehyde level.</p> <p>The ethanolic extract of pericarp significantly reduced triglyceride, total cholesterol, LDL, VLDL, SGOT, SGPT, urea, and creatinine as well as increased high-density lipoprotein (HDL), total protein, and the population of <math>\beta</math>-cells in the diabetic rats.</p> <p>The hexane, dichloromethane, and methanol extracts of pericarp have a molecular mechanism on inhibiting <math>\alpha</math>-amylase; meanwhile, hexane extracts can also be able to inhibit CETP.</p> <p>The oligomeric proanthocyanidin fractions have highly potent as <math>\alpha</math>-amylase inhibitor with inhibitory activity expressed by an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 5.4 <math>\mu</math>g/mL.</p> <p>Proanthocyanidin A2 also possesses to inhibit <math>\alpha</math>-amylase activity with an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 3.46 <math>\mu</math>M.</p>	<p>Watanabe <i>et al.</i> (2018)</p> <p>Tran <i>et al.</i> (2016)</p> <p>Ansori <i>et al.</i> (2019)</p> <p>Nelli <i>et al.</i> (2013)</p>
	<p>The ethanolic extract of the pericarp of the fruit has a potency for retinopathy diabetes by reducing plasma creatinin level and ameliorating renal proximal tubules in streptozotocin-induced diabetic mice.</p> <p><math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin also prevents diabetes complications on sexual dysfunction in male streptozotocin-induced diabetic rats due to capability as antioxidant on the testis and epididymis. <math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin also improves sperm counts, motile sperms, viable sperms, hypo-osmotic swelling tail coiled sperms, and serum testosterone and also reduces sperm malformations.</p> <p>The clinical study of the pulp extract has improved significant insulin sensitivity with no side effects attributable to this treatment.</p>	

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Pharmacological activities	Remarks	References
Anti-cancer	<p>The methanolic extract of the pericarp showed strong antiproliferation, potent antioxidant, and induction of apoptosis on human breast cancer SKBR3 cell lines.</p> <p>Panaxanthone, which consists of approximately <math>\alpha</math>-mangostin (80%) and <math>\gamma</math>-mangostin (20%), induces apoptosis, inhibits DNA synthesis and cell cycle arrest in the G1-phase, and reduces angiogenesis in mammary cancer-induced mice.</p> <p><math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin isolated from the pericarp fruit significantly decreased phospho-Akt-threonine 308 (Thr308) which plays on cell proliferation, anti-apoptotic cell death, angiogenesis, and metastasis. Besides that, <math>\alpha</math>-mangostin also induced mitochondrial-mediated apoptosis and G1-phase arrest and S-phase suppression in the cell cycle.</p> <p><math>\gamma</math>-Mangostin is the most potent compound on SK-BR-3 breast cancer cell lines.</p> <p>Epicatechin and 1,3,6,7-tetrahydroxy-2,8-(3methyl-2-butenyl)xanthone showed potent cytotoxicities on MCF-7 human breast cancer cell lines.</p> <p>Garcimone E showed considerable cytotoxic in MCF-7 cell line.</p> <p><math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin could upregulate the MAPK/ERK, c-Myc/Max, and p53 cell signaling pathways on HCT 116 colorectal carcinoma cells.</p> <p><math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin showed a growth inhibition on human colon cancer DLD-1 cell lines.</p> <p><math>\gamma</math>-Mangostin indicated the effective effect for inducing apoptotic cell death on COLO 205 through a link between extrinsic and intrinsic pathways.</p> <p><math>\gamma</math>-Mangostin indicated anticancer activity and induced apoptosis on HT29 colorectal adenocarcinoma cells.</p> <p>Epicatechin and 1,3,6,7-tetrahydroxy-2,8-(3methyl-2-butenyl)xanthone showed potent cytotoxicities on human colon cancer cell lines.</p> <p><math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin can induce apoptosis and inhibit the proliferation of four prostate cancer cell lines, i.e., LNCaP, 22Rv1, DU145, and PC-3.</p> <p><math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin showed an apoptosis induction and tumor growth suppression on human prostate cancer cell lines.</p> <p>The ethanolic extract of pericarp significantly induced apoptosis on two skin cancer cell lines including human squamous cell carcinoma A-431 and melanoma SK-MEL-28 lines.</p> <p>Three xanthone compounds such as <math>\alpha</math>-mangostin, <math>\gamma</math>-mangostin, and 8-deoxygartanin exhibited a significant cytotoxicity on human melanoma SK-MEL-28 cell line. <math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin is a potent compound in apoptotic induction via caspase activation and disruption of mitochondrial membrane pathways.</p> <p>Mangostana xanthone VII as an isolated compound from the pericarp showed a moderate cytotoxic activity on epithelial lung carcinoma A549.</p> <p>Seven isolated compounds from the pericarp fruit including 1,3,7-trihydroxy-2-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-8-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-xanthone, 1,3,8-trihydroxy-2-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-4-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-xanthone, garcimones C and D, gartannin, xanthone I, and <math>\gamma</math> mangostin showed the significant cytotoxic activities on various human cancer cell lines, namely, human nasopharyngeal carcinoma cell line (CNE1, CNE2, SUNE1, and HONE1), human lung cancer cell line (A549 and GLC82), human breast cancer cell line (MCF-7), and human hepatic cancer cell line (Bel-7402).</p> <p><math>\gamma</math>-Mangostin showed a potent antiproliferative activity and apoptosis induction on human brain tumors including U87MG and GBM 8401.</p> <p><math>\alpha</math>-Mangostin has a potential efficacy on four human pancreatic cancer (PL-45, PANCI, BxPC3, and ASPC1) through inducing apoptosis, inhibiting the expression level of pNF-<math>\kappa</math>B/p65Ser552, pStat3Tyr705, MMP9, cyclin D1, gp130, and biomarkers of cell proliferation (Ki-67 and PCNA), and increasing the expression of tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase 1.</p>	<p>Moongkamdi <i>et al.</i> (2004)</p> <p>Doi <i>et al.</i> (2009)</p> <p>Shibata <i>et al.</i> (2011)</p> <p>Balunas <i>et al.</i> (2008)</p> <p>Yu <i>et al.</i> (2009)</p> <p>Mohamed <i>et al.</i> (2017)</p> <p>Aisha <i>et al.</i> (2012)</p> <p>Akao <i>et al.</i> (2008)</p> <p>Watanapokasin <i>et al.</i> (2011)</p> <p>Chang and Yang, (2012)</p> <p>Yu <i>et al.</i> (2009)</p> <p>Li <i>et al.</i> (2013)</p> <p>Li <i>et al.</i> (2014)</p> <p>Wang <i>et al.</i> (2012)</p> <p>Wang <i>et al.</i> (2011)</p> <p>Ibrahim <i>et al.</i> (2017)</p> <p>Xu <i>et al.</i> (2014)</p> <p>Chang <i>et al.</i> (2010)</p> <p>Hafeez <i>et al.</i> (2014)</p>

vasoconstriction in the aorta and vasodilation in precontracted aortae through vasodilation mechanism (Abdallah *et al.*, 2016). Besides,  $\gamma$ -mangostin possesses antihypertensive via NO-cGMP pathway, inhibition of extracellular  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  influx and activation of  $\text{K}^{+}$  channels, and prevention of vasoconstriction in the rat aorta.

### Antidiabetic activity

Diabetes mellitus (DM) is one of the most common chronic endocrine and metabolic diseases which become a main problem to human health around the world (Ighodaro *et al.*, 2018; Maleki *et al.*, 2019). DM is characterized by insufficient insulin secretion, resistance to the action of insulin, or both. DM is marked by hyperglycemia as clinical manifestation and can lead to complications known as neuropathy, nephropathy, retinopathy, cardiovascular, cerebrovascular, and peripheral vascular disease (DiPiro *et al.*, 2008; Glasheen *et al.*, 2017; Yeung *et al.*, 2018). Recently, there are numerous reports on the antidiabetic activity of extracts and isolated compounds from mangosteen.

An *in vivo* study of the juice of mangosteen pericarp at 110 mg/kgBW showed a glucose level reduction and pancreatic histology improvement due to streptozotocin induction (Kurniawati *et al.*, 2014). The investigation of ethanolic extract of the pericarp of the fruit on type-2 diabetic mice showed an ability to reduce fasting blood cholesterol level and lipid peroxidation, i.e., malondialdehyde level (Husen *et al.*, 2017). The ethanolic extract of the pericarp of the fruit also significantly reduced triglyceride, total cholesterol, LDL, very low-density lipoprotein (VLDL), serum glutamic oxaloacetic transaminase (SGOT), serum glutamic pyruvic transaminase (SGPT), urea, and creatinine as well as increased high-density lipoprotein (HDL), total protein, and the population of  $\beta$ -cells in the diabetic rats (Taher *et al.*, 2016).

Mishra *et al.* (2016) investigated that hexane, dichloromethane, and methanol extracts of mangosteen pericarp have a molecular mechanisms on inhibiting  $\alpha$ -amylase; meanwhile, hexane extracts can also be able to inhibit cholesteryl ester transferase protein (CETP). Loo and Huang (2007) demonstrated that oligomeric proanthocyanidin fractions have a highly potent  $\alpha$ -amylase inhibitor with inhibitory activity expressed by an  $\text{IC}_{50}$  value of 5.4  $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ , whereas acarbose as the positive control has an  $\text{IC}_{50}$  value of 5.2  $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ . Besides, proanthocyanidin A2 also possesses to inhibit  $\alpha$ -amylase activity with an  $\text{IC}_{50}$  value of 3.46  $\mu\text{M}$  (Tran *et al.*, 2016).

Diabetic complications were also studied including retinopathy diabetes and sexual dysfunction. The ethanolic extract of the pericarp of the fruit has a potency for retinopathy diabetes by reducing plasma creatinin level and ameliorating renal proximal tubules in streptozotocin-induced diabetic mice (Ansori *et al.*, 2019). Besides that,  $\alpha$ -mangostin also prevents diabetes complications on sexual dysfunction in male streptozotocin-induced diabetic rats. It is suggested that  $\alpha$ -mangostin has a capability as antioxidant on the testis and epididymis. Alfa-mangostin also improves sperm counts, motile sperms, viable sperms, hypo-osmotic swelling tail-coiled sperms, and reduced sperm malformations. Besides,  $\alpha$ -mangostin showed the increasing level of serum testosterone (Nelli *et al.*, 2013).

Insulin-sensitizing treatments are known to be effective to prevent diabetes and to induce weight loss. There is a wide association between insulin resistance and obesity/type 2 diabetes

(T2DM), and obesity and T2DM are also associated with increased inflammation (Romeo *et al.*, 2012). The clinical study has reported that mangosteen has improved a significant insulin sensitivity with no side effects attributable to this treatment, suggesting a possible supplementary role of mangosteen extracts in the treatment of obesity, insulin resistance, and inflammation (Watanabe *et al.*, 2018).

### Anticancer activity

Several studies have been designed to examine the anticancer activity of both extracts and isolated compounds from the underutilized part of mangosteen fruit. The methanolic extract of the pericarp fruit showed strong antiproliferation, potent antioxidation, and induction of apoptosis on human breast cancer SKBR3 cell lines (Moongkarndi *et al.*, 2004). Panaxanthone, which consists of approximately  $\alpha$ -mangostin (80%) and  $\gamma$ -mangostin (20%), induces apoptosis, inhibits DNA synthesis and cell cycle arrest in the G1-phase, and reduces angiogenesis in mammary cancer-induced mice (Doi *et al.*, 2009). The  $\alpha$ -mangostin isolated from the pericarp fruit significantly decreased phospho-Akt-threonine 308 (Thr308), which plays a vital role on cell proliferation, antiapoptotic cell death, angiogenesis, and metastasis. Besides that,  $\alpha$ -mangostin also induced mitochondrial-mediated apoptosis and G1-phase arrest and S-phase suppression in the cell cycle (Shibata *et al.*, 2011). Balunas *et al.* (2008) reported that  $\gamma$ -mangostin is the most potent compounds among 12 xanthenes from  $\alpha$ -mangostin pericarp on SK-BR-3 breast cancer cell lines. On the other hand, epicatechin and 1,3,6,7-tetrahydroxy-2,8-(3methyl-2-butenyl) xanthone showed potent cytotoxicities on human breast cancer cell line (MCF)-7 human breast cancer cell lines (Yu *et al.*, 2009). Garcinone E also showed considerable cytotoxic in MCF-7 cell line (Mohamed *et al.*, 2017).

The chemical constituents from the underutilized part of mangosteen also revealed the promising agent as colon anticancer.  $\alpha$ -mangostin could upregulate the MAPK/ extracellular signal-regulated kinase (ERK), c-Myc/Max, and p53 cell signaling pathways on HCT 116 colorectal carcinoma cells (Aisha *et al.*, 2012). Besides,  $\alpha$ -mangostin also showed a growth inhibition on human colon cancer DLD-1 cell lines (Akao *et al.*, 2008). Besides,  $\alpha$ -mangostin also indicated the effective effect for inducing apoptotic cell death on COLO 205 through a link between extrinsic and intrinsic pathways (Watanapokasin *et al.*, 2011).  $\gamma$ -mangostin also indicated anticancer activity and induced apoptosis on HT29 colorectal adenocarcinoma cells (Chang and Yang, 2012). Other compounds such as epicatechin and 1,3,6,7-tetrahydroxy-2,8-(3methyl-2-butenyl) xanthone showed potent cytotoxicities on human colon cancer cell lines (Yu *et al.*, 2009).

The  $\alpha$ -mangostin has been reported to induce apoptosis and inhibit the proliferation on four prostate cancer cell lines (LNCaP, 22Rv1, DU145, and PC-3) (Li *et al.*, 2013). Besides that,  $\alpha$ -mangostin also showed an apoptosis induction and tumor growth suppression on human prostate cancer cell lines (Li *et al.*, 2014). On another cell type, the ethanolic extract of mangosteen pericarp significantly induced apoptosis on two skin cancer cell lines including human squamous cell carcinoma A-431 and melanoma SK-MEL-28 lines (Wang *et al.*, 2012). Three xanthone compounds such as  $\alpha$ -mangostin,  $\gamma$ -mangostin, and 8-deoxygartanin exhibited a significant cytotoxicity on human melanoma SK-MEL-28 cell

line. The  $\alpha$ -mangostin is a potent compound in apoptotic induction via caspase activation and disruption of mitochondrial membrane pathways (Wang *et al.*, 2011).

Mangostanaxanthone VII as an isolated compound from the pericarp of mangosteen showed a moderate cytotoxic activity on epithelial lung carcinoma A549 (Ibrahim *et al.*, 2017). Seven isolated compounds from the pericarp fruit including 1,3,7-trihydroxy-2-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-8-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-xanthone, 1,3,8-trihydroxy-2-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-4(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-xanthone, garcinones C and D, gartanin, xanthone I, and  $\gamma$  mangostin showed the significant cytotoxic activities on various human cancer cell lines, namely, human nasopharyngeal carcinoma cell line (CNE1, CNE2, SUNE1, and HONE1), human lung cancer cell line (A549 and GLC82), human breast cancer cell line (MCF-7), and human hepatic cancer cell line (Bel-7402) (Xu *et al.*, 2014).

The  $\gamma$ -mangostin showed a potent antiproliferative activity and apoptosis induction on human brain tumors including U87 MG and GBM 8401 (Chang *et al.*, 2010). On the other hand,  $\alpha$ -mangostin suggested a potential efficacy on four human pancreatic cancers (PL-45, PANC1, BxPC3, and ASPC1). The mechanisms underlying these efficacies are through inducing apoptosis, inhibiting the expression level of pNF- $\kappa$ B/p65Ser552, pStat3Ser727, pStat3Tyr705, MMP9, cyclin D1, gp130, and biomarkers of cell proliferation (Ki-67 and proliferating cell nuclear antigen (PCNA), and increasing the expression of tissue inhibitor of metalloproteinase 1 (Hafeez *et al.*, 2014).

#### Toxicological Studies

The toxicological studies are needed to assure the safety of mangosteen extracts; therefore, some reports on the safety of the underutilized part of mangosteen have been highlighted. The acute toxicity at the doses of 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 g/kgBW of mangosteen pericarp extract did not produce any significant dose-related change of hematological parameters and did not show any significant toxic effects (Priya *et al.*, 2010). A subchronic toxicity of the hydroethanolic mangosteen pericarp at the doses of 400, 600, and 1,200 mg/kgBW showed no effect on behavior, food, and water intake, growth, or health status in animal models (Hutadilok-Towatana *et al.*, 2010).

Chivapat *et al.* (2011) reported the chronic toxicity of the ethanolic pericarp extract of mangosteen at the doses of 10, 100, 500, and 1,000 mg/kgBW. They did not show any pharmacotoxic signs and abnormalities in the hematological parameters. However, this extract at a dose of 500 mg/kgBW onward affected the body weight and increased in ALT, BUN, and creatinine. On the other hand, the seed oil of mangosteen fruit showed no lesion in the heart, liver, and spleen for 8 weeks. However, histopathology of the kidney had some pathology degrees such as diffuse glomerular and tubular degeneration (Ajayi *et al.*, 2007).

#### CONCLUSION

The underutilized part of mangosteen fruit has potency as medicinal usage for preventing and curating metabolic diseases including obesity and lipid metabolism disorder, high blood pressure, diabetes and its complication, and cancer. Xanthone derivatives are phytochemical compounds which control a broad range of

pharmacological activities. The toxicity studies showed that the use of the underutilized part of mangosteen is safe. This review supports the future clinical use of underutilized part of the fruit as a food supplement, particularly intended for metabolic disorders.

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