

## Biflavonoids from the Stem of *Wikstronemia taiwanensis*

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In our investigation of in vitro anti-TB and anti-inflaming screening of medicinal herbal extracts, the EtOAc extract from the stem of *Wikstronemia taiwanensis* showed a potent inhibitory effect. Fraction of the active extract led to the isolation several biflavonoids, sikokianin C, chaejasmine and isochaejasmine and so on. Their stereostructures were elucidated on the basis of spectral evidence.

