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Oleanane Type Triterpenoids from the Bark of *Alstonia Spathulata* Bl. (Apocynaceae)

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In Malaysia, *Alstonia spathulata* Bl. is locally known as 'pulai basong' which distribute in peat forest. The separation of the chemical components from hexane crude extract (bark) of *Alstonia spathulata* was carried out using different chromatographic techniques (column chromatography and thin layer chromatography). Two compounds were isolated and identified as beta-amyrin **1a** and beta-amyrin acetate **1b**. The compounds are reported for the first time from this plant. The structures of these compounds were elucidated based on the basis of detailed 1D-NMR (¹H, ¹³C and DEPT) and 2D-NMR (COSY, HSQC, HMBC) spectroscopic analysis, involving also comparison with data from the literature.

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