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ABSTRACT

This thesis work focused on a specialized plant metabolite group called hydrolysable tannins with the aim of expanding the knowledge on their hydrophobicity, interactions with lipid membranes and antibacterial capacity. Hydrolysable tannins are known to possess many nutritionally and pharmacologically beneficial properties, which is why it is important to find the effective structures and unravel the mechanisms behind these activities.

Initially, the hydrophobicities of 47 chromatographically purified and spectrometrically characterized hydrolysable tannins were determined with octanol/water partitioning measurements. These results revealed that increased flexibility of the structure and larger molecular weight increased the hydrophobicity of the compounds while rigid substituent groups and macrocyclic structures decreased it.

In the second and third study, the lipid interactions of hydrolysable tannins were studied with nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy and isothermal titration calorimetry (ITC) using a phospholipid extract of *Escherichia coli*. The NMR results revealed how some hydrolysable tannins were able to penetrate to lipid moieties that reside inside the lipid bilayer structures thus verifying that hydrolysable tannins are able to perturb surface structures of lipid bilayers. Again, the more flexible structures proved to be more effective but the larger tannins were not able to perturb deep into the lipid bilayers most probably due to their bulkier structures. The thermodynamic results obtained with ITC corroborated the NMR results by showing increased interaction from the same compounds.

In the final part of this work, the antibacterial capacity of selected hydrolysable tannins was evaluated against *Escherichia coli* and *Staphylococcus aureus* cultures using an untargeted NMR metabolomics approach and plated inhibition results. All the tested hydrolysable tannins showed antibacterial activity and were able to influence the bacterial metabolome of the bacterial cultures. The altered bacterial metabolome results correlated with the plated inhibition results confirming that the NMR based method was able to reveal inhibition results directly from the culture medium.

KEYWORDS: antibacterial, *E. coli*, hydrolysable tannin, hydrophobicity, lipid, *S. aureus*

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Tämä väitöskirjatyö keskittyi erikoistuneiden metaboliittien yhdisteryhmään nimeltään hydrolysoituvat tanniinit tavoitteena laajentaa tietämystä niiden hydrofobisuudesta, vuorovaikutuksista lipidikalvojen kanssa ja antibakteerisesta kapasiteesta. HT:lla tiedetään olevan useita ravitsemuksellisesti ja farmakologisesti hyödyllisiä ominaisuuksia, minkä vuoksi onkin tärkeää löytää tehokkaat rakenteet ja selvittää niiden aktiivisuuteen liittyvät mekanismit.

Aluksi 47 kromatografisesti puhdistetun ja spektrometrisesti karakterisoidun hydrolysoituvan tanniinin hydrofobisuudet määritettiin oktanoli/vesi-jakaantumiskerroin mittauksilla. Nämä tulokset osoittivat lisääntyvän rakenteen joustavuuden ja suuremman molekyylipainon kasvattavan yhdisteen hydrofobisuutta, kun taas jäykkien substituenttiryhmien ja makrosyklisyyden havaittiin alentavan sitä.

Työn toisessa ja kolmannessa osassa tutkittiin hydrolysoituvien tanniinien lipidivuorovaikutuksia ydinmagneettisen resonanssispektroskopian (NMR) ja isotermisen titrauskalorimetrian (ITC) avulla käyttäen *Escherichia coli*:sta eristettyä lipidiuutetta. NMR-tulokset paljastivat, miten jotkut hydrolysoituvat tanniinit pystyivät tunkeutumaan lipidikaksoiskalvojen sisäosiin siten varmistaen näiden yhdisteiden kyvyn häiritä lipidikaksoiskalvojen pintarakenteita. Jälleen joustavammat hydrolysoituvat tanniinit osoittautuivat tehokkaiksi rakenteiksi, kun taas suuremmat tanniinit eivät kyenneet tunkeutumaan syvälle kaksoiskalvoon johtuen tilaavievistä rakenteistaan. ITC:n avulla saadut termodynaamiset tulokset tukivat NMR-tuloksia osoittaen vuorovaikutuksen kasvavan samoilla yhdisteillä.

Lopuksi arvioimme valittujen hydrolysoituvien tanniinien antibakteerista kapasiteettia *Escherichia coli* ja *Staphylococcus aureus* -viljelmiä vastaan käyttäen kohdistamatonta NMR-metabolomiikkaa ja bakteerimaljausta. Kaikki testatut hydrolysoituvat tanniinit osoittivat antibakteerista aktiivisuutta ja kykenivät vaikuttamaan näiden bakteeriviljelmien metabolomiin. Muuttuneet bakteerimetabolomit korreloivat maljattujen inhibiitiotulosten kanssa varmistaen NMR-pohjaisen menetelmän pystyvän paljastamaan inhibition suoraan viljelmän elatusaineesta.

ASIASANAT: antibakteerisuus, *E. coli*, hydrofobisuus, hydrolysoituvat tanniinit, lipidit, *S. aureus*

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Abbreviations

| | |
|------------------|---|
| AOA | Antioxidant activity |
| CT-HMBC | Constant time heteronuclear multiple bond correlation |
| DAD | Diode array detector |
| DHHDP | Dehydrohexahydroxydiphenoyl |
| DLS | Dynamic light scattering |
| DQF-COSY | Double quantum filtered correlation spectroscopy |
| <i>E. coli</i> | <i>Escherichia coli</i> |
| ESI | Electrospray ionization |
| ET | Ellagitannin |
| GT | Gallotannin |
| HCD | Higher-energy collisional dissociation |
| HHDP | Hexahydroxydiphenoyl |
| HMBC | Heteronuclear multiple bond correlation |
| HPLC | High-performance liquid chromatography |
| <i>H. pylori</i> | <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> |
| HR-MAS | High-resolution magic angle spinning |
| HSQC | Heteronuclear single quantum coherence |
| HT | Hydrolysable tannin |
| ITC | Isothermal titration calorimetry |
| MRM | Multiple reaction monitoring |
| MS | Mass spectrometry |
| NHTP | Nonahydroxytriphenoyl |
| NMR | Nuclear magnetic resonance |
| NOESY | Nuclear Overhauser effect spectroscopy |
| PCA | Principal component analysis |
| PPC | Protein precipitation capacity |
| ROS | Reactive oxygen species |
| <i>S. aureus</i> | <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> |
| TOCSY | Total correlation spectroscopy |
| UHPLC | Ultrahigh-performance liquid chromatography |

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1 Introduction

Plants biosynthesize a plethora of metabolites for many different purposes be it for direct growth and development via primary metabolites like carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, vitamins, and nucleic acids or for defense and survival via specialized (formerly secondary) metabolites like terpenoids, phenolics, alkaloids, and sulfur containing compounds.

Hydrolysable tannins (HTs) are a sub-group of phenolic metabolites that exhibit several beneficial activities such as antioxidative¹⁻⁵, antimicrobial⁶⁻¹⁶, antitumor^{4,17-20}, and anti-inflammatory^{21,22} activities as isolated compounds but also in plant extracts.^{23,24} HTs are widely distributed across the plant kingdom^{17,25-28} including many nutritionally important food items such as fruits, berries, nuts, and red wine.²⁹ The nutritional and health benefits of consuming a diet that includes these polyphenol-rich foods and drinks have been known for a long time³⁰⁻³² and these benefits have been partially linked to the antioxidant properties of their phenolic constituents.^{33,34} Phenolic compounds are able to relieve oxidative stress in the original plants as well as in humans when ingested by neutralizing reactive oxygen species (ROS) and by suppressing some oxidation reactions that would, if left uninhibited, produce ROS in excess.³⁵⁻³⁷ As the name suggests ROS readily react in cells with cell components such as proteins, nucleic acids, and lipids and can in so doing lead to several health problems.³⁸ Among many active phenolic compounds, several HTs have been reported to have high antioxidative capacity^{1,5} even when compared to some flavonoids that are often attributed as the major source of antioxidants in fruits for example.³⁹

Another well-known property of HTs is to bind and crosslink with proteins in solution producing complexes that, with high enough concentration, will precipitate.⁴⁰⁻⁴⁴ This characteristic interaction of tannins has been studied extensively and detailed structure-activity patterns have been observed linking active structural features of individual HT structures to the overall activity of plant species containing them in abundance. Other HT-macromolecule interactions, such as fiber or lipid interactions⁴⁵⁻⁴⁷, have not been studied as comprehensively even though they might reveal insight into their notable antimicrobial activities.

This thesis focuses on studying a physicochemical property of HTs, which governs the transportation of compounds in biological processes, hydrophobicity, with additional focus on the interactions that HTs have with bacterial lipid membranes and the effect that HTs have to bacterial growth and the bacterial metabolome.

1.1 Structures and classification of hydrolysable tannins

Although some hydrolysable tannins have been purified and their structures characterized by Schmidt and Mayer already in 1956⁴⁸ the more detailed classification of this structurally very diverse metabolite group really gained momentum starting from the later characterization of geraniin from *Geranium Thunbergii* by Okuda *et al.*, in 1977.⁴⁹ The improved instrumentation and modern spectrometric techniques enabled the revision of old structures^{50,51} and the characterization of countless new structures ranging in size from small monomers all the way up to undecamers^{52,53} as well as the determination of absolute configurations of different HT substructures.^{54,55} With this enriched structural knowledge, the classification of HTs (Figure 1) based on their structural features with emphasis also on their suggested biosynthetic route was made possible^{26,56} but generally most HTs can be described as gallic acid/HHDP esters of a central polyol, most often glucose.

Thus, HTs are divided into simple galloylglucoses, gallotannins (GTs), and ellagitannins (ETs). The simple galloylglucoses are, as per the name, gallic acid esters of glucose starting from monogalloylglucose all the way to pentagalloylglucose⁵⁷. When additional galloyl groups are bound via *meta*-depside bonds to the galloyls directly bound to the polyol glucose these compounds are classified as GTs⁵⁷. Both groups produce gallic acid when hydrolysed with acidic or alkaline conditions or via enzymatic (tannase or β -glucosidase) ways and produce characteristic fragment ions at m/z 169 and 125 in negative ionization mass spectrometry.⁵⁸⁻⁶⁰

The third group, ETs, is structurally more diverse than the previous two and is thus further divided into subgroups such as HHDP esters, *C*-glycosidic ETs, dehydro-HHDP esters and other HHDP modifications, flavanoellagitannins, and oligomeric ETs. The biosynthetic precursor for all of these ETs is pentagalloylglucose. The initial structure that can be classified as an ET forms when the spatially adjacent O4 and O6 galloyls in pentagalloylglucose dehydrogenate to form the characteristic biaryl ET structure in tellimagrandin II (Figure 1), i.e., the hexahydroxydiphenoyl (HHDP) group.^{61,62} These structures are classified as HHDP esters. Further modifications of this initial structure include the dehydrogenation of

the O2 and O3 galloyls to form another HHDP group or the possible degalloylation of the glucose core.

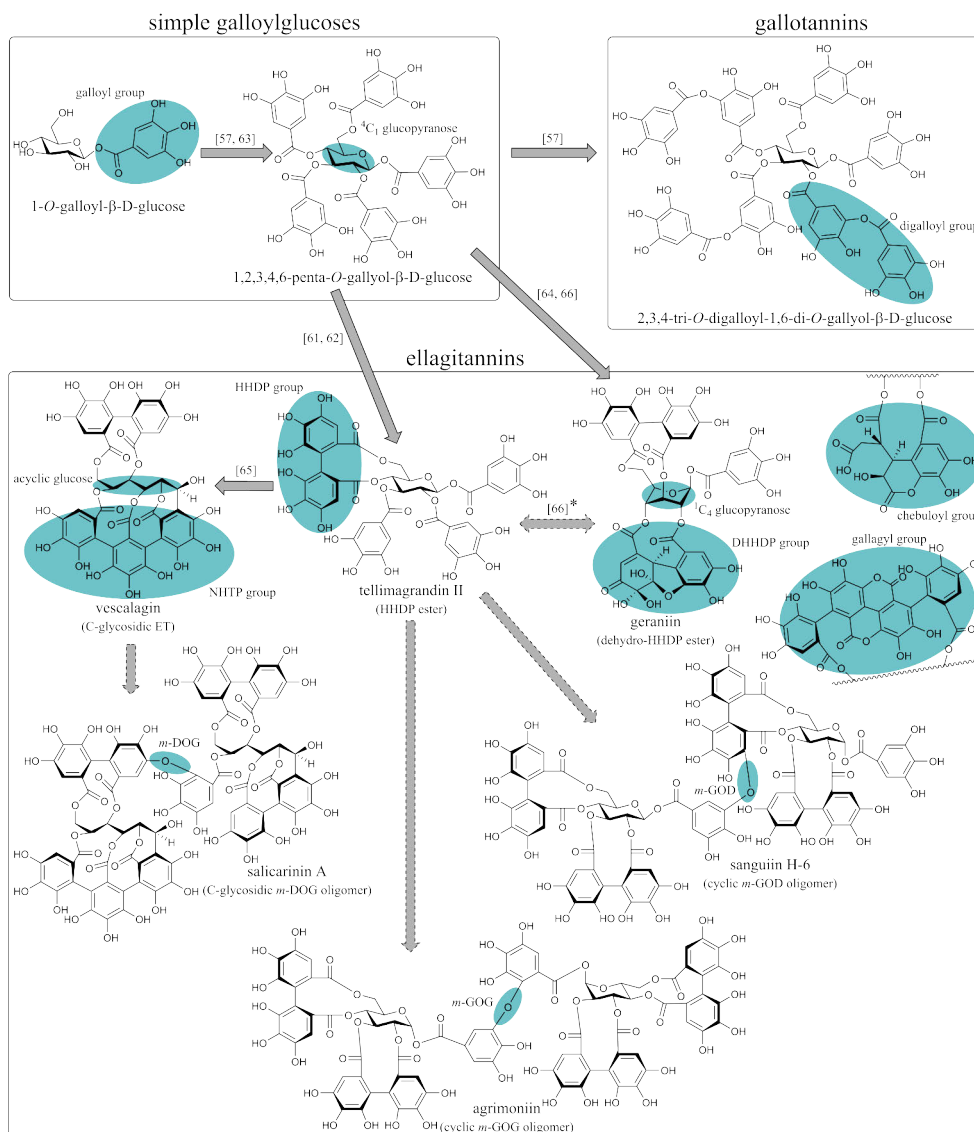


Figure 1. Hydrolysable tannin subgroups and example structures with arrows denoting confirmed and suggested (dashed) biosynthetic pathways.^{57,61–66} Characteristic structural features are shown with blue ellipses. *It is speculated, but unproven as of yet, whether DHHDP esters and HHDP esters can interconvert.

The glucose core in most of the HHDP esters is in the energetically favourable ⁴C₁ chair conformation, which also defines the described possible positions (O2~O3

and O4~O6) for the HHDP groups. It is also noteworthy that the HHDP group in ETs with 4C_1 glucose is most often in *S* configuration.⁵⁴ Due to the HHDP group, most ETs produce ellagic acid when subjected to acidic or alkaline conditions or if hydrolysed enzymatically (tannase or β -glucosidase) and produce the characteristic fragment ion at m/z 301 in negative ionization mass spectrometry.^{59,60}

From here, the biosynthesis of ETs can go in two different directions. In the route towards *C*-glycosidic ETs, the galloyl in glucose O-1 is cleaved and the galloyls in O-2 and O-3 are oxidatively C-C coupled to form an HHDP-group. Subsequently, the glucopyranose ring opens and the O-5 (i.e., the ring oxygen) is galloylated leaving a reactive aldehyde function in the C-1 and producing the intermediate *C*-glycosidic ET-structure of liquidambin.⁶⁵ Next the HHDP that was formed in O-2~O-3 reacts with the aldehyde function in glucose position C-1 to form the *C*-glycosidic bond. This *C*-glycosidic bond forces the glucose to stay in the open chain (acyclic) form and locks the anomeric glucose position 1 to either α or β conformation. The free galloyl in glucose O-5 can in some cases bind to the 2,3-HHDP to form a nonahydroxytriphenoyl (NHTP) group, which is characteristic to many *C*-glycosidic ETs.⁶⁵

The general consensus on the biosynthetic origin of dehydro-ETs is that they form directly from pentagalloylglucose^{64,66} but it has also been suggested that the DHHDP group would form from an already existing HHDP in the structure. There is strong evidence to support the former pathway as the glucose in dehydro-ETs is predominantly in the energetically unfavourable 1C_4 chair conformation. And it might be more difficult for the glucose to adopt a conformation where it is also hindered by a rigid HHDP group (which in most HHDP esters are also attached in different positions of the glucose core than the DHHDP group in dehydro-ETs) rather than a conformation where the glucose is only substituted by freely rotating galloyls. However, interestingly in a recent study by Yamashita *et al.*, 2021 they were able to show that the DHHDP group can be an intermediate towards the formation of an HHDP group (Figure 2).⁶⁶ They also suggested that the formation of tellimagrandin II type HHDP esters, that Niemetz *et al.*, in 2001 showed were formed from pentagalloylglucose, could flow through an intermediate DHHDP structure before reduction to the HHDP group.⁶¹ They rationalized that the strain from the formed macrocyclic structure depending on which glucose galloyls were participating in its formation could be the deciding factor if the process stops at the DHHDP group (O2~O4 or O3~O6) or proceeds through reduction to the HHDP group (O2~O3 or O4~O6). If these ETs with 1C_4 glucose core have an HHDP group, it is often found in O3~O6 or sometimes even in O1~O6 positions and most often in *R* configuration but in rare cases also in *S* configuration.^{55,67} The DHHDP group can also further oxidize to form a chebuloyl group.

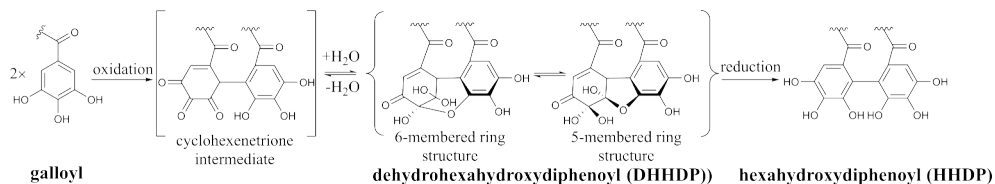


Figure 2. Possible biosynthetic pathway of the dehydrohexahydroxydiphenoyl (DHHDP) and hexahydroxydiphenoyl (HHDP) groups from galloyl groups. Adapted from Yamashita *et al.*, 2021.⁶⁶

Plants often accumulate ETs with mainly one type of polyol glucose whether it be 4C_1 cyclic, acyclic or 1C_4 cyclic (Figure 1).^{34,68} Though some exceptions are also found as is the case with many plants in the genus *Terminalia*, which produce many 1C_4 based ETs but also one particular ET, punicalagin, with a 4C_1 core.^{69,70} This ET is noteworthy also because it has the peculiar gallagyl group in its structure, which in practice is an ellagic acid moiety bound between the O4 and O6 galloys.

The described monomeric ETs can also oligomerize with different linkages further increasing the structural complexity. Possible links between the monomeric constituents include but are not limited to ones such as *m*-DOG (valoneoyl group), *m*-GOG (dehydrodigalloyl), and *m*-GOD (sanguisorboyl group) and are presented in Figure 1. It is common that oligomers are formed by adding consecutively the same or at least similar monomeric building blocks, but this is not always the case and even a few oligomers with monomeric units from different ET subgroups have been characterized.⁷¹

1.2 Bioactivities of hydrolysable tannins

The protein precipitation capacity (PPC)^{40,43,44,72–74} and antioxidant activity (AOA)^{1–5,75} of HTs have been studied extensively with a comprehensive set of HT structures, which have enabled the discovery of nuanced structure-activity relationships. This vast knowledge has also led to the observation that these two HT activities are generally inversely related to each other, i.e., a structure that is very efficient in binding proteins, like pentagalloylglucose, is not very prone to oxidation and might thus not be a very efficient antioxidant. The opposite is also true, like in the case of *C*-glycosidic ETs like vescalagin, which has relatively low PPC but quite high capacity to oxidize. These studies have shown the importance of the different substituents (galloyl, HHDP, DHHDP, chebuloyl, gallagyl, NHTP, and others), the oligomeric linkage types, structural flexibility and the overall size (i.e., molecular weight) of the HT. For example, the effect of the galloyl group was efficiently demonstrated in 2011 by Salminen *et al.* with a series of galloyl glucoses where each subsequent galloylation of the glucose core decreased the compounds capability to

oxidize but at the same time increased its PPC (Figure 3).⁵³ Similar trends have been reported regarding the more rigid substituent groups (e.g. HHDP and NHTP) where their presence in the ET structure has been observed to decrease PPC but increase their capability to oxidize. These groups decrease the structural flexibility thus decreasing the capability of the compound to bind with proteins with weak interactions such as hydrogen bonding and hydrophobic interactions, which have been reported as the main types of binding mechanisms in tannin-protein interactions in most conditions.^{40,76} Previously when the majority of tannin bioactivity research was focused on their PPC it rose into question what was the purpose for plants to evolve in a direction where they produced ETs with more oxidized groups that had much less capacity to bind proteins than the “less evolved” galloylglucoses and gallotannins. This view was however reversed when a new consensus was formed that the capacity of HTs to oxidize under various conditions could be a large source of the defensive capability they offer for the plant whether it be against UV radiation or herbivory insects.

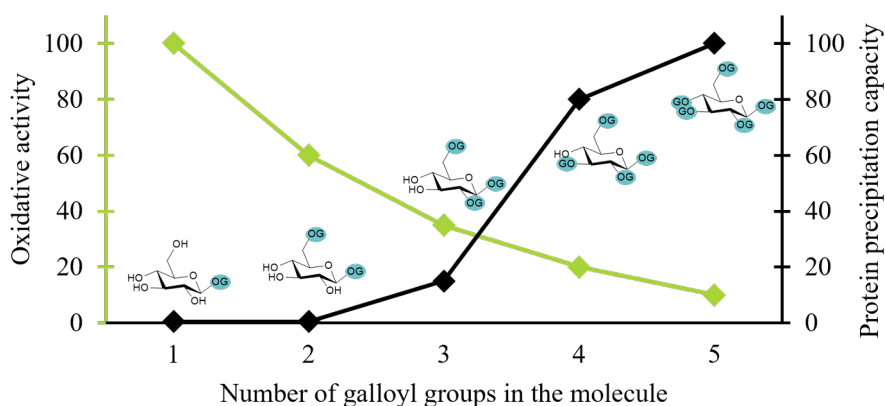


Figure 3. The oxidative activity (green) and protein precipitation capacity (black) of a series of galloyl glucoses displaying the opposite trend of these activities and the degree of galloylation. Activity values are shown as percentages of the most active compound. Adapted from Salminen *et al.*, 2011.⁵³

Another way of observing the relationship between HT structures and the bioactivities (AOA and PPC) is through the determination of physico-chemical properties such as hydrophobicity.⁷⁷ Hydrophobicity is often utilized in drug discovery and development, for example in quantitative structure-activity relationship (QSAR) models⁷⁸, to ascertain if a particular compound of interest could be a candidate for further research.^{79,80} It is a useful indicator because potential

candidate drugs need to be hydrophobic enough to be transported to their target regions in biological systems, which often involve passing lipid membranes.

Hydrophobicity is most reliably determined via experimental partitioning measurements (e.g. shake-flask method^{81,82}) where the concentration of the compound in a two phase system (typically *n*-octanol/H₂O or *n*-hexane/H₂O) is determined in each phase with HPLC-UV (high-performance liquid chromatography-ultraviolet) or other suitable detection method.⁸⁰ The acquired partition coefficient between the phases is then typically presented as the decadic logarithm ($\log P_{\text{octanol/water}}$ or $\log P_{\text{hexane/water}}$) to enable easier visual comparisons. Other alternatives include atomic and fragment-based prediction models which aim to divide the target compound into smaller pieces or functional groups, which have statistically and/or experimentally determined $\log P$ values which are then used to predict the $\log P$ of the entire structure. These methods (XLogP⁸³⁻⁸⁵, ALogP⁸⁶, CLogP⁸⁷, KOWWIN^{88,89}, and other similar variations) give fairly accurate estimates for compounds that are structurally similar to the training set compounds that were used to validate the method, however for compounds that differ significantly from the training set compounds they offer mixed predictions at best. Another shortcoming of these methods is that they are unable to take into account the actual spatial structures of large molecules with many possible conformers (like HTs) where the weak intramolecular interactions like hydrogen bonding and hydrophobic effects play a significant role with the shape that they reside in solutions. Recently, a much quicker method than the classical shake-flask method was reported by Cumming and Rucker⁹⁰, which involved an NMR spectroscopic determination of the analyte's concentration directly from an NMR tube with appropriate 1-octanol-*d*₁₈ and D₂O volumes to enable the excitation and measurement of only the D₂O phase. This method therefore allows the determination of partition coefficients without the laborious work of separating the phases. Theoretically, one could achieve similar analytical results with LC-UV by injecting samples only from the height of corresponding water phase. However, there is a possibility of contamination if the injection needle has to pass through the upper octanol phase, and also, the passing of the needle then disturbs the settled phase equilibrium therefore increasing the unreliability of the measurement.

Linking the physico-chemical property, hydrophobicity, to the actual HT-lipid interactions, and more specifically to the HT-phospholipid interactions, it has been suggested that more hydrophobic compounds should be more prone to interacting with lipid membranes as most hydrophobic compounds are highly lipophilic.^{80,91} This, however, might not be a property that is unconditionally desired as there is also evidence which shows that highly hydrophobic compounds are not able to efficiently pass through cell membranes via diffusion as their high affinity towards the membrane itself hinders this transportation.^{92,93} Thus, it is probable that when

assessing the real-world roles of HT-lipid interactions, such as their antimicrobial activity, the tannins that display the strongest interaction with membrane lipids are not the best in inhibiting pathogens, and there is already evidence of this phenomenon.¹⁴ Now, similarities in the interactions and dominant structural features involved between the known HT-protein and the lesser known HT-lipid and HT-fiber interactions could be hypothesized as they involve relatively small tannin molecules interacting with macromolecules (proteins, lipid vesicles, and fibers).^{45,46} These interaction similarities can include aspects such as the fact that HT-protein interactions are primarily reversible surface phenomena where HTs interact via weak interactions with the outer surface or exposed binding pockets of the protein. And as phospholipids form globular vesicles in aqueous solutions their interactions with small molecules also take place initially via the exterior of the vesicles (polar lipid headgroups), but unlike with proteins, small molecules are also able to perturb and ultimately permeate the lipid bilayers.⁹¹ This perturbation of the originally ordered lipid bilayer structure limits the transportation and distribution of other molecules, including ROS, through the bilayer, and thus, reduces oxidative stress that would have occurred from the reaction of ROS and fatty acids.⁹⁴

1.3 Antimicrobial activities of hydrolysable tannins

Many traditional medicinal plants⁶⁸ that have been widely used as herbal remedies are now known to contain many different HTs in addition to other phenolics in high concentrations.^{17,34,95} Studies have shown that the HT compositions of these plants are full of compounds with high bioactivities and that they are efficient antimicrobials against several relevant pathogens such as *Herpes simplex virus*^{96,97}, human immunodeficiency virus^{16,98}, *Staphylococcus aureus* (*S. aureus*, including methicillin resistant and sensitive strains)^{14,15,99,100}, *Helicobacter pylori* (*H. pylori*)^{9,101}, and *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*)^{14,102,103}. There are also studies reporting synergistic effects between HTs and some antibiotics^{104,105} which offers ways of counteracting the evergrowing problem of antimicrobial resistant strains and their prevalence.

The mechanisms and modes of action behind HTs antimicrobial activity has been suggested to mainly derive from their protein/peptide interactions and their capacity to reduce oxidative stress^{23,24,76} but the ability of HT molecules to perturb lipid membrane structures has also recently seen growing interest^{106,107}. The full mechanism is not explained by any one interaction but rather a combination of all of them which explains how HTs with significantly different structures and bioactivities can inhibit pathogens with comparative efficiencies.

As many antimicrobial studies have been performed with plant extracts or semipurified mixtures it makes it hard to differentiate the antimicrobial efficiencies

of different HTs. There are also studies using pure compounds^{9,14–16,96,97,99} that have already revealed the significance of several structural features; however, more knowledge is needed on the subject to uncover how and why these compounds display their demonstrated antimicrobial efficacy.

1.4 Main aims of the thesis

The main aims of this thesis can be divided into three categories where the next one is a direct continuation of the findings in the previous one.

- i. Determining the hydrophobicity of a wider range of different HT structures than previously reported (**Article I**).
- ii. Observing the interactions between bacterial lipid membranes and HTs (**Articles II and III**).
- iii. Studying the antibacterial capacity of HTs and how they affect bacterial metabolome during bacterial growth (**Article IV**).

In **Article I**, the partition coefficients ($\log P_{\text{octanol/water}}$) of 47 purified and characterized HTs were measured to determine and verify the effects that different structural features had on the hydrophobicities of the compounds. The knowledge acquired in the first study was then used to select a more focused group of HTs that had potential to move spatially close to and interact with lipid vesicles in aqueous solution. Specifically, more hydrophobic HTs were hypothesized to be better candidates for this as more hydrophobic compounds are known to better penetrate lipid bilayers.

In **Article II**, we observed with NMR spectroscopy how deep within the lipid bilayer these selected HT structures were able to penetrate and uncover the possible orientation of these HT structures in the bilayers. Furthermore, in **Article III**, we studied the HT-lipid vesicle interaction thermodynamics with ITC and were able to determine that the same HTs that moved spatially close to the lipid vesicles in **Article II** also produced more heat of interaction with the lipids further demonstrating the efficiency of these compounds regarding their lipid-interactions.

In **Article IV**, we observed directly from the culture media the bacterial metabolome changes that HT treatments caused to *E. coli* and *S. aureus* cultures with an untargeted NMR metabolomics approach. The metabolome changes were hypothesized to correlate with growth inhibition which was also investigated with plated bacterial inhibition measurements. Additionally, the impact of the HT treatments on *S. aureus* cultures with donor fecal samples included in the growth medium were assessed with DNA sequencing.

2 Materials and Methods

2.1 General Instrumentation

2.1.1 NMR Spectroscopy

The NMR experiments of the study were performed using three different Bruker spectrometers: i) Bruker Avance-III spectrometer operating at 600.16 MHz for ^1H and 150.90 MHz for ^{13}C equipped with a Prodigy TCI inverse CryoProbe cooled with liquid nitrogen, ii) Bruker Avance-III spectrometer operating at 500.08 MHz for ^1H and 125.76 MHz for ^{13}C equipped with a broadband Smartprobe (Fällanden, Switzerland), iii) Bruker Avance-III spectrometer operating at 399.75 MHz for ^1H and 100.52 MHz for ^{13}C equipped with a high-resolution magic angle spinning (HR-MAS) probe.

Characterization measurements of the hydrolysable tannins were performed either with the 600 MHz or the 500 MHz instrument. Typical experiment set consisted of standard ^1H and ^{13}C spectra, DQF-COSY (double quantum filtered correlation spectroscopy), NOESY (nuclear Overhauser effect spectroscopy), multiplicity-edited HSQC (heteronuclear single quantum coherence), HMBC (heteronuclear multiple bond correlation), band-selective CT-HMBC (constant time) and selective 1D-TOCSY (total correlation spectroscopy) experiments. Spectra were recorded at 298.15 K in acetone- d_6 and the residual solvent signal was used as chemical shift reference, $\delta_{\text{H}} = 2.05$ ppm and $\delta_{\text{C}} = 29.92$ ppm.

The HR-MAS measurements of the lipid-hydrolysable tannin interactions in **Article II** were performed with the 400 MHz instrument. The MAS unit was operated at 9 kHz rotational speed with the temperature set at 298.15 K and samples were prepared in D_2O . ^1H spectra with water suppression by presaturation and 2D-NOESY with 0.1 s and 0.3 s mixing times (d_8) were recorded. As the residual solvent signal was suppressed the chemical shift of the methyl group ($\delta_{\text{H}}(\text{CH}_3) = 0.94$ ppm) in the end of the fatty acid chain of the lipids was used as chemical shift reference. The methyl group resides “deepest” in the lipid bilayer structure (Figure 8) and its chemical shift is the least affected by the possible spatial vicinity of the tannins.

The metabolomics experiments in **Article IV** were performed with the 600 MHz instrument. All spectra in the metabolomics set were acquired with a water

suppressed 1D NOESY pulse sequence (Bruker's pulse program `noesygppr1dep`) at 298.15 K. All samples included 0.2 mM of TSP (3-(trimethylsilyl)propionic-2,2,3,3-*d*₄ acid) and 1.0 mM potassium phthalate for chemical shift calibration and metabolite quantitation, respectively. TSP was not used for quantitations as it has been shown to inconsistently bind to proteins thus rendering it not fit as a quantitation standard in this application. For the comprehensive description of the data preprocessing and sample preparation see **Article IV**.

2.1.2 UHPLC-DAD-MS

The UHPLC-DAD instrument used in all analyses was an Acquity UPLC system (Waters Corporation, Milford, MA, USA) which consisted of a binary solvent manager, a column, and a diode array detector. The used column was an Acquity BEH phenyl column (100 × 2.1 mm id., 1.7 μm; Waters Corporation, Wexford, Ireland). The mobile phase consisted of acetonitrile (A) and 0.1% aqueous formic acid (B) with the following elution profile: 0–0.5 min, 0.1% A in B (isocratic); 0.5–5.0 min, 0.1–30% A in B (linear gradient); 5.0–6.0 min, 30–35% A in B; 6.0–9.5 min; column wash and stabilisation. Column temperature was 40 °C. All samples were filtered (4 mm, 0.2 μm, PTFE; Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., Waltham, MA, USA), injection volume was 5 μL and flow rate was 0.5 mL min⁻¹. UV data was collected with a wavelength range of 190–500 nm.

The UHPLC system was connected via an ESI (electrospray ionization) source to a Xevo TQ triple quadrupole (Waters Corporation, Milford, MA, USA) mass spectrometer. The mass spectrometer was operated with negative ionization and the source parameters were as follows: capillary voltage 1.8 kV, source temperature 150 °C, desolvation gas temperature 650 °C, desolvation and cone gas (N₂) flow rates 1000 and 100 L/h, respectively, and collision gas was argon. Full scan MS data was collected with an *m/z* range of 150–2000 as well as multiple specific MRMs (multiple reaction monitoring) developed by Engström *et al.*, in 2014 and 2015.^{60,108}

An identical UHPLC system coupled to a Q Exactive hybrid quadrupole-Orbitrap (Thermo Fisher Scientific GmbH, Bremen, Germany) mass spectrometer via a heated ESI source was also used. The mass spectrometer was operated in negative ion mode and the source parameters were as follows: spray voltage 2.5 kV, capillary temperature 380 °C, auxiliary gas temperature 300 °C, and sheath and auxiliary gas (N₂) flow rates 60 and 20 arbitrary units, respectively. Orbitrap was calibrated with Pierce ESI Negative Ion Calibration Solution (Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., Waltham, MA, USA). Full Scan MS data was collected with a mass range of *m/z* 150–2250, a resolution of 70 000 and automatic gain of 3 × 10⁶. Product ion spectra were acquired using a data dependent acquisition method termed full scan ddMS² (TopN) with a resolution of 35 000 and automatic gain of 1 × 10⁵ using

normalized collision energies of 20, 50, and 80 eV in the higher energy collisional dissociation (HCD) cell.

2.1.3 Partition coefficient measurements

The partition coefficient ($\log P_{\text{octanol/water}}$) measurements were performed with a shake-flask method.^{81,82} Briefly, the used *n*-octanol and water were saturated with each other and separated before the measurements. A known amount of analyte was dissolved into the saturated water phase. Then, the saturated octanol was added, and the mixture shaken for 120 min and centrifuged (15 000 g) for 10 minutes. The phases were then separated and analyte concentrations in both phases and in an unpartitioned reference sample were determined UV spectroscopically at 280 nm.

2.1.4 HR-MAS NMR sample preparation

The used lipid material was a commercial *E. coli* phospholipid extract (Avanti Polar Lipids, Alabaster, AL, USA). The extract comprised of L- α -phosphatidylethanolamine (PE, 57.5 wt%), L- α -phosphatidylglycerol (PG, 15.1 wt%), cardiolipin (CA, 9.8 wt%), and unidentified lipid (17.6 wt%) each with various chain lengths and degrees of unsaturation. The NMR sample preparation method was adapted from Grélard *et al.*, 2010.¹⁰⁹ Briefly, a known quantity of the lipid extract was hydrated with D₂O and subsequently subjected to four cycles of freeze-thaw treatment where the sample was rapidly cooled with liquid nitrogen, heated in a warmed water bath, and shaken rigorously. The prepared lipid sample formed an emulsion, which prevented us from using traditional liquid NMR probes. However, the HR-MAS probe (see Section 2.1.1) enables the measurement of colloidal samples while still allowing typical liquid NMR experiments including solvent suppression and many 2D correlation experiments.

2.1.5 Isothermal titration calorimetry

The used isothermal titration calorimeter (ITC) was a MicroCal iTC200 (Malvern Panalytical, Malvern, UK). Calorimeters sample and reference cell volumes were 200 μL . The reference cell was filled with ultrapure water in all measurements. Measurements were performed at 298.15 K, and they comprised of an initial injection of 0.4 μL followed by 19 injections of 2.0 μL . An equilibration period of 120 s was employed between injections and the sample was stirred with 750 rpm during the measurement.

2.1.6 Dynamic light scattering

Dynamic light scattering (DLS) measurements were performed with a Zetasizer Nano ZS (Malvern Panalytical, Malvern, UK) instrument. The He-Ne light source was operated at 633 nm and back scattered light was recorded at an angle of 173° at 293.15 K. Final measurements consisted of 10 repetitions each with 13 size runs.

2.2 Extraction, purification and characterization of hydrolysable tannins

2.2.1 Extraction of plant material

The studied hydrolysable tannins were extracted from the following 11 plant species: Norway maple (*Acer platanoides*) leaves, silverweed (*Argentina anserina*) leaves, willowherb (*Chamaenerion angustifolium*) leaves, meadowsweet (*Filipendula ulmaria*) flowers, herb Bennet (*Geum urbanum*) leaves, wood cranesbill (*Geranium sylvaticum*) leaves, sea buckthorn (*Hippophaë rhamnoides*) leaves, purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*) leaves, raspberry (*Rubus idaeus*) leaves, black myrabolan (*Terminalia chebula*) leaves, and English oak (*Quercus robur*) acorns. 1,2,3,4,6-penta-*O*-galloyl- β -*D*-glucose was prepared from commercial tannic acid (J.T. Baker, Denventer, Holland) via methanolysis.

The extraction and purification of the hydrolysable tannins followed our previously reported methods.^{43,44,52,110–112} Extraction of the collected plant material began with maceration in acetone at 4 °C for several days. The plant material was then repeatedly extracted using acetone/water (80/20, v/v) and the different extract batches were combined. Acetone was evaporated from the extracts and the remaining aqueous extracts were filtered and finally lyophilized. The extraction and each subsequent purification step were followed by UHPLC-DAD-MS to select fractions for the following purification steps and to ultimately verify the final product purity.

2.2.2 Purification of hydrolysable tannins

Hydrolysable tannin purification process consisted of four main steps: i) crude Sephadex LH-20 gel fractionation in a Büchner funnel, ii) column gel chromatography with Sephadex LH-20, iii) preparative HPLC fractionation, and iv) semipreparative HPLC fractionation.

2.2.2.1 Gel chromatography

For the initial crude fractionation, dry extract (maximum 50 g) was dissolved in ultrapure water and mixed to slurry of Sephadex LH-20 gel (stabilised in water). The slurry was eluted with water, methanol/water (50/50, v/v), methanol, acetone/water (80/20, v/v) and acetone in a Büchner funnel ($\varnothing = 240$ mm) with vacuum through a filter paper (Grade 3). Fractions were evaporated to water phase and then lyophilized.

Approximately 6–10 g of the initial fractions were dissolved in ultrapure water, filtered (4 mm, 0.2 μm , PTFE; Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., Waltham, MA, USA) and applied on top of a glass column (40 \times 4.8 cm i.d.; Kimble-Chase Kontes Chromaflex), which was loaded with Sephadex LH-20 gel (stabilized in water). A stepwise gradient with a constant flow rate of 5 mL min^{-1} was used with water, aqueous methanol and aqueous acetone as the solvents. The elution profile was modified according to the targeted HT.

2.2.2.2 Liquid chromatography

The preparative and semipreparative HPLC purifications were performed using a system consisting of a Waters 2535 Quaternary Gradient Module, a Waters 2998 PDA Detector, and a Waters Fraction Collector III. For preparative purification, a column (327 \times 33 mm i.d.) filled with LiChroprep RP-18 (40–63 μm , Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany) material was used. Gradient elution with a constant flow rate of 8 mL min^{-1} using methanol (A) and 1% aqueous formic acid (B) with the following gradient was used: 0–5 min, 100% B (isocratic); 5–180 min, 0–40% A in B (linear gradient); 180–220 min, 40–60% A in B (linear gradient); 220–240 min, 60–80% A in B (linear gradient), 240–300 min, column wash and stabilisation.

For semipreparative purification, a Gemini 10 μ C18 110 Å column (150 \times 21.2 mm i.d., 10 μm ; Phenomenex, CA, USA) was used with acetonitrile (A) and 0.1% aqueous formic acid (B). The used gradient profile was modified for different HTs but a typical gradient for a relatively hydrophilic HT was as follows: 0–5 min, 10% A in B (isocratic); 5–51 min, 10–35% A in B (linear gradient); 51–55 min, 35–70% A in B (linear gradient); 55–120 min, column wash and stabilisation.

2.2.3 Characterization of hydrolysable tannins

All 47 purified HTs (Figures 4 and 5) were characterised based on their measured UV, MS and NMR spectra and available literature. MS identifications, $^1\text{H-NMR}$ assignments, and UV spectra of the HTs used in the thesis work can be found in the Appendix along with purity at 280 nm and plant origin.

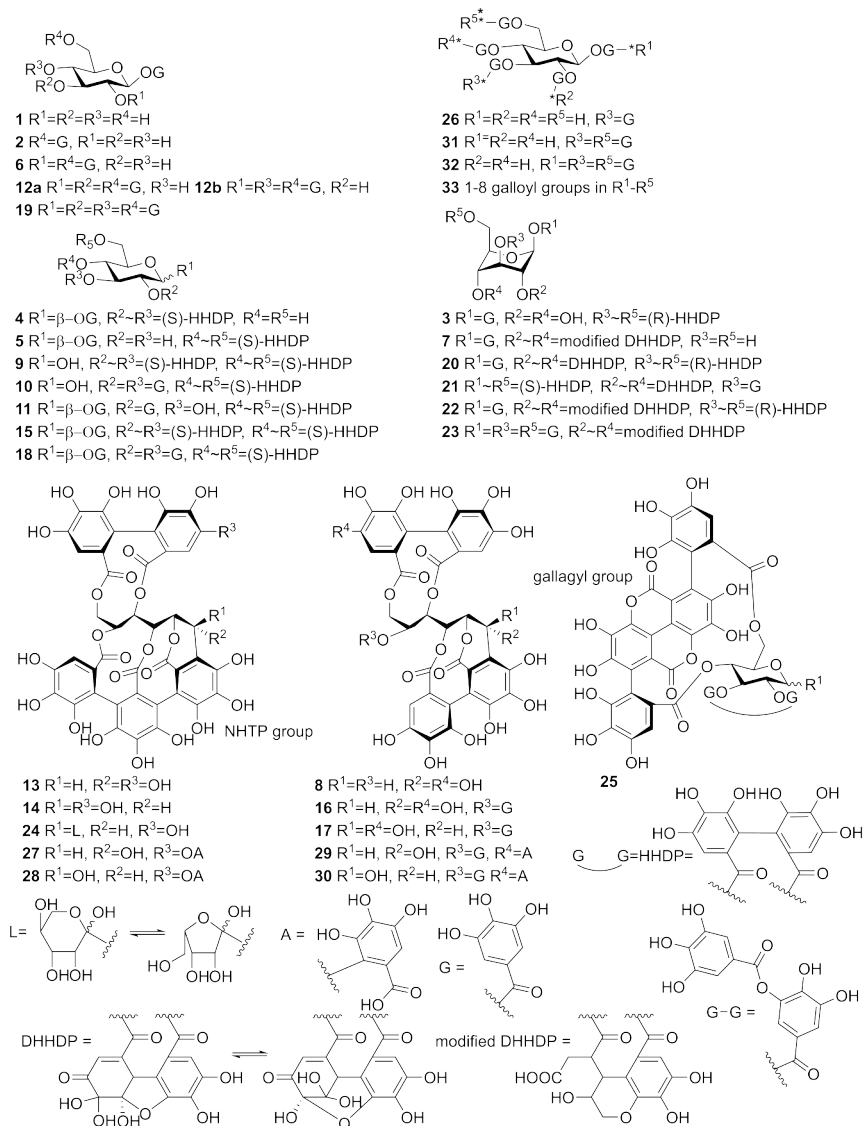


Figure 4. Chemical structures of monomeric hydrolysable tannins studied in the thesis: **(1)** 1-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose, **(2)** 1,6-di-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose, **(3)** corilagin, **(4)** isostrictinin, **(5)** strictinin, **(6)** 1,2,6-tri-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose, **(7)** chebulanin, **(8)** casuarinin, **(9)** pedunculagin, **(10)** tellimagrandin I, **(11)** 1,2,-di-O-galloyl-4,6-HHDP- β -D-glucose, **(12a)** 1,2,3,6-tetra-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose, **(12b)** 1,2,4,6-tetra-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose, **(13)** castalagin, **(14)** vescalagin, **(15)** casuarictin, **(16)** casuarinin, **(17)** stachyurin, **(18)** tellimagrandin II, **(19)** 1,2,3,4,6-penta-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose, **(20)** geraniin, **(21)** carpinusin, **(22)** chebulagic acid, **(23)** chebulinic acid, **(24)** grandinin, **(25)** punicalagin, **(26)** hexagalloylglucose, **(27)** castavalonic acid, **(28)** vescalonic acid, **(29)** hippophaenin B, **(30)** hippophaenin C, **(31)** heptagalloylglucose, **(32)** octagalloylglucose, and **(33)** gallotannin mixture. DHHDP=dehydrohexahydroxydiphenyl, A= gallic acid, G=galloyl, HHDP=hexahydroxydiphenyl, L=lyxose, NHTP=nonahydroxytriphenyl. *The location of the galloyl groups of compounds **26**, **31**, **32** and **33** were tentatively confirmed. Figure adapted from **Article I**.

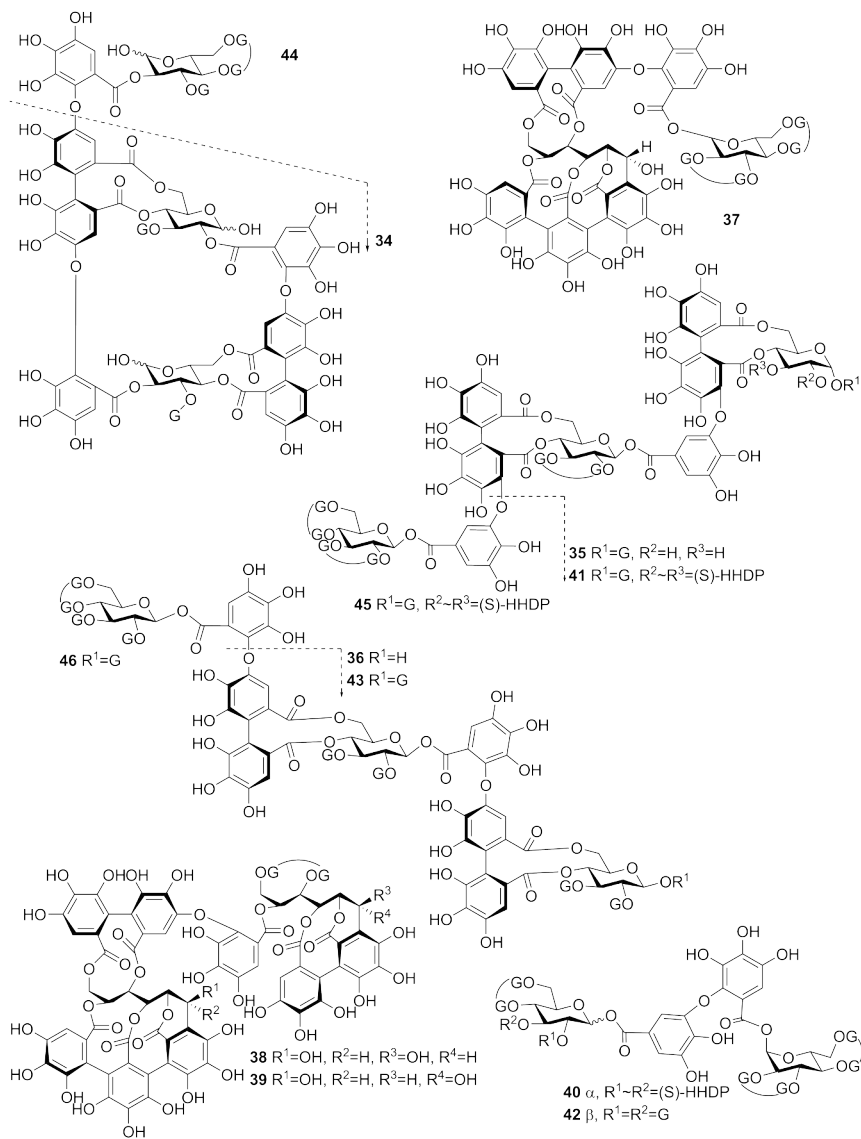


Figure 5. Chemical structures of oligomeric hydrolysable tannins studied in the thesis: (34) oenotherin B, (35) roshenin C, (36) rugosin E, (37) cocciferin D2, (38) salicarinin A, (39) salicarinin B, (40) agrimoniin, (41) sanguin H-6, (42) gemin A, (43) rugosin D, (44) oenotherin A, (45) lambertianin C, and (46) rugosin G. See Figure 4 for the substituent details. Figure adapted from **Article I**.

2.3 Data analysis and statistical methods

Data visualisations were done with Origin 2016 SR2 b9.3.2.303 (OriginLab, Northampton, MA, USA) and R (version 4.2.1)¹¹³ using RStudio (version 2022.02.0 Build 443)¹¹⁴ with the following packages: “ggplot2”¹¹⁵, “ggpubr”¹¹⁶, and “mdatools”¹¹⁷. ChemDraw 20.1.0.110 (PerkinElmer, Waltham, MA, USA) was used for 2D molecular modelling and Blender¹¹⁸ was used for 3D molecular modelling. LC-MS data was acquired and processed with MassLynx software (version 4.2 SCN982, WatersCorp., Milford, MA, USA) and Xcalibur software (version 4.1.31.9, ThermoFisher Scientific Inc., Waltham, MA, USA). NMR measurements and quantitations were done with TopSpin software (version 3.5 pl 7, Bruker, Billerica, MA, USA). NMR metabolomics data was processed with NMRProcFlow¹¹⁹ a dedicated NMR metabolomics platform for batch processing of 1D spectra. ITC data was processed with NanoAnalyze software (version 3.12.0, TA instruments, New Castle, DE, USA) and Origin 7 (version 7.0552, OriginLab, Northampton, MA, USA) with a MicroCal ITC add-on. DLS measurements were done with Zetasizer software (version 7.13).

3 Results and Discussion

3.1 Partition coefficients ($\log P_{\text{octanol/water}}$) of hydrolysable tannins

The partition coefficients ($\log P_{\text{octanol/water}}$) of 47 purified and characterized HTs (Figures 4 and 5) were determined with the shake-flask method.^{81,82} The selected HTs represented the entire HT class reasonably well, i.e., there were compounds from most of the different HT subgroups (see Section 1.1) which allowed us to make detailed observations into i) how the hydrophobicities of the different HT subgroups compare to one another and ii) how individual structural features of HTs have an effect to the hydrophobicities of the compounds.

Figure 6 displays the experimentally determined $\log P$ values as a function of the molecular weight of the HTs with different coloured series for different configurations of the polyol glucose with galloyl glucoses and gallotannins further separated from the ${}^4\text{C}_1$ ETs.

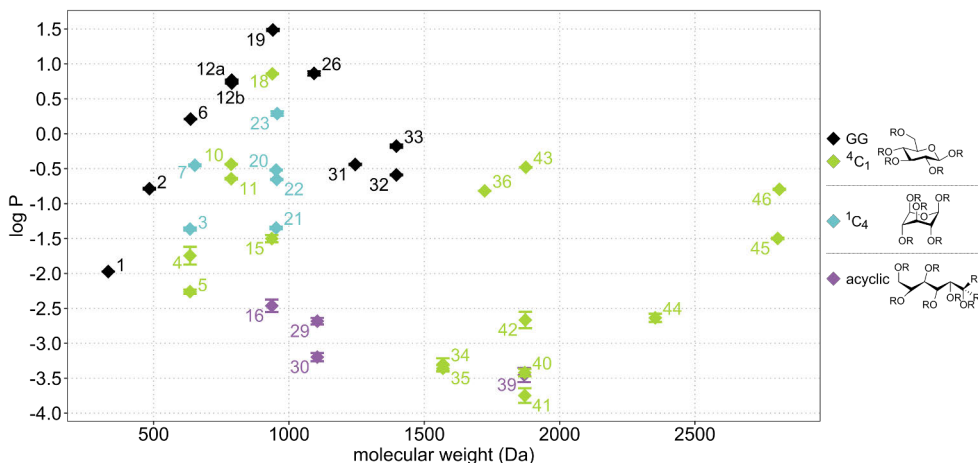


Figure 6. Experimentally determined $\log P$ values of 47 hydrolysable tannins ($n=3$, mean \pm standard deviation). Numbering of tannins follows Figures 4 and 5. Galloyl glucoses and gallotannins are presented in black series and ellagitannins are divided into three groups based on the configuration of the polyol glucose: green = ${}^4\text{C}_1$ chair, blue = ${}^1\text{C}_4$ chair, and purple = acyclic. Figure Adapted from **Article 1**.

This separation also mimicks the HT subgroups as the subgroups in most cases contain compounds with only one specific polyol configuration although there are some exceptions to this guideline. The general order of HT subgroups in the order of descending hydrophobicity is: i) galloylglucoses/gallotannins, ii) dehydro-ETs with 4C_1 chair polyol, iii) HHDP-esters with 1C_4 chair polyol, and iv) C-glycosidic ETs with acyclic polyol.

When the structures, where the polyol glucose is only substituted with galloyl groups were compared to similar sized ETs (i.e., the polyols degree of substitution is the same) it was observed that all galloyl derivatives resulted in lowering the structures hydrophobicity (Figure 7) from their galloyl substituted counterparts. This decrease in hydrophobicity is a result of increased structural rigidity stemming from the biaryl and other flexibility restricting substituents as the substituents themselves are not more hydrophilic than gallic acid. As a comparison, the flexible five-pronged tridimensional structure of pentagalloylglucose (**19**) enables it to self-associate, i.e., it readily stacks with other pentagalloylglucose molecules in aqueous solution leading to exclusion of solvent molecules from its vicinity.^{77,120} This has been proposed as the reason for its low water solubility and tendency to form gels in higher concentrations in ambient temperature which is not unlike the self-assembly of phospholipid vesicles in aqueous media from hydrophobic effects to reduce solvent contacting surface area. However, if more galloyl groups are desidically linked to the glucose bound galloyls these additions lower the hydrophobicity of the compound as seen with **26**, **31**, **32**, and **33**.

Looking at the individual structural differences in the three “series” of similar sized HTs in Figure 7 more closely it can be seen that the inclusion of the first HHDP group (**6** → **4** / **5**; **12a** → **10**; **19** → **18**) lowers the log *P* significantly but the second HHDP group (**10** → **9**; **18** → **15**) has an even larger decreasing effect. Interestingly the comparison of **4** and **5** also showed that the HHDP group in glucose O4~O6 lowers the hydrophobicity more than in O2~O3. Similarly, the comparison of **20** and **21** (see Figure 4 for structures) showed that **20**, which has a free galloyl group in O1 and and HHDP group in O3~O6, is more hydrophobic than **21**, which which has a free galloyl group in O3 and and HHDP group in O1~O6. This comparison does not solely prove that the HHDP group bound to O1~O6 makes the structure more hydrophilic as the galloyl groups position also varies and the hydrophobicity increasing effect of the galloyl group in the anomeric position (like in **20**) versus some other glucose positions has been previously reported by Tanaka *et al.*, in 1997.⁷⁷

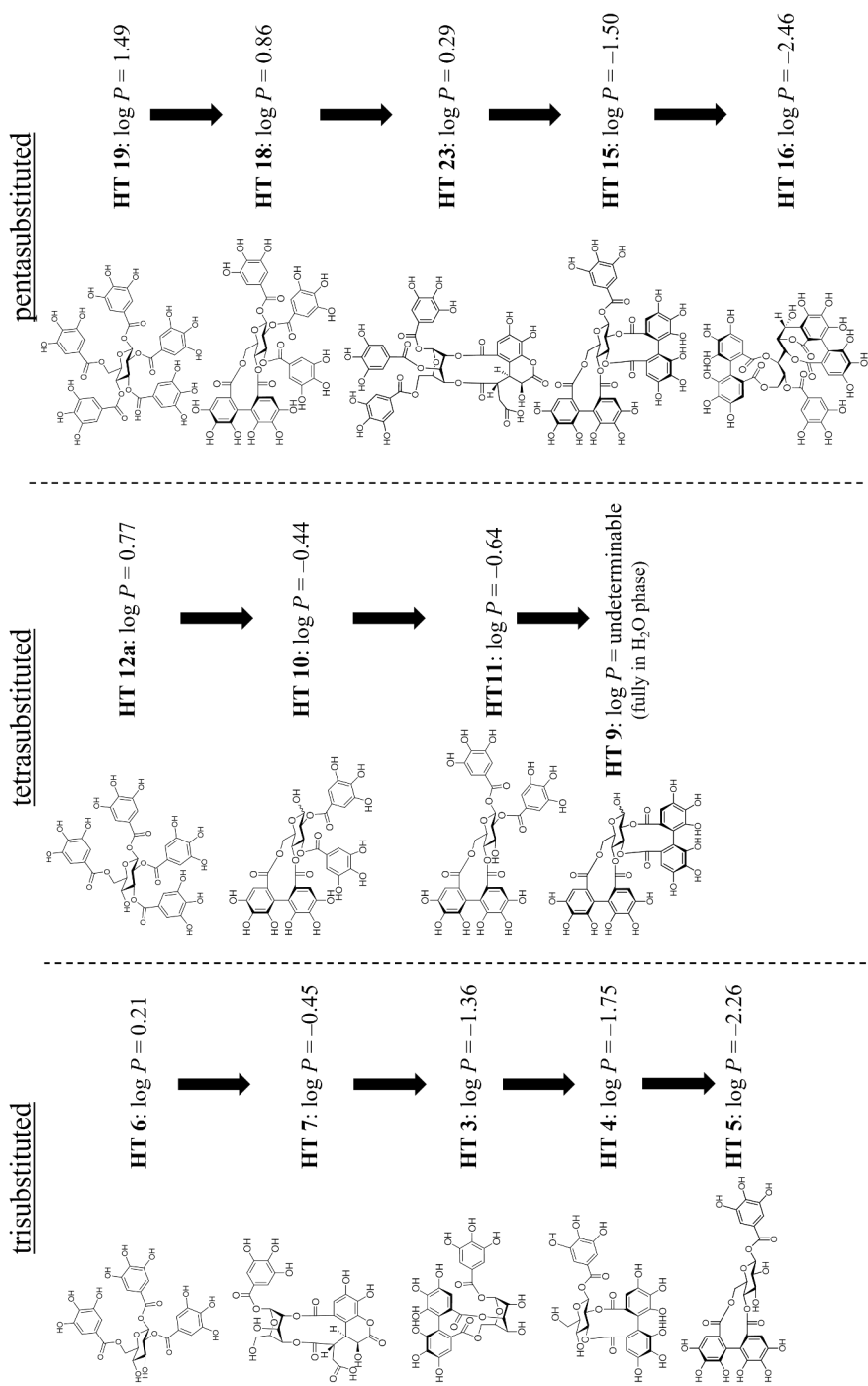


Figure 7. Example structures and determined $\log P$ values of HTs with tri-, tetra- or pentasubstituted polyol and how the different structures affect the $\log P$. Numbering of tannins follows Figures 4 and 5.

HTs **16**, **29**, and **30** were the only monomeric acyclic ETs for which a log P could be determined. Despite this high hydrophilicity, the notable observation for the ETs with acyclic sugar moieties was that the α anomer in the anomeric pairs of **16** (α) / **17** (β) and **29** (α) / **30** (β) was the more hydrophobic one. Another interesting comparison can be made between **16** and **15** as both have one galloyl group and two HHDP groups as substituents where the former has an acyclic polyol and the latter a cyclic polyol. The pair effectively demonstrates that the cyclic one is significantly more hydrophobic than the acyclic one reinforcing what was earlier introduced as a general rule.

Larger dimeric and trimeric HTs were observed to be less hydrophobic than their individual monomeric constituents. This trend can be seen from the three oligomeric series that were a part of the studied compounds: i) HTs **10**, **34**, and **44**; ii) HTs **15**, **41**, **45**; iii) HTs **18**, **43**, and **46** (Figure 6). The oligomers also showed similar trends that were observed with the monomeric HTs. Free galloyl groups increased the hydrophobicity whereas structural rigidity, for example in **10** due to its macrocyclic oligomer linkage, decreased the hydrophobicity among other factors. Unfortunately, as larger oligomers than trimers were not included in the study it cannot be unanimously stated whether or not larger oligomers could in fact be more hydrophobic than their monomeric constituents even though the trend in these oligomeric series seems to suggest an upward trajectory moving from the dimers to the trimers.

3.2 Interactions of hydrolysable tannins with bacterial lipid membranes

3.2.1 HR-MAS NMR measurements

To probe the interactions between HTs and phospholipid membranes NMR spectroscopy was utilized to establish whether HTs are able to perturb and penetrate these membrane structures and if there are discernable differences between the different HT structures. The studied HTs were a focused group of compounds selected from the 47 HTs in **Article I** with emphasis on high hydrophobicity but still including some highly hydrophilic compounds to enable more comprehensive structural comparisons. The studied compounds were: **10**, **14**, **15**, **18**, **19**, **20**, **22**, **23**, **25**, **34**, **41**, **44**, and **45** (Figures 4 and 5).

Figure 8 displays an illustration of a phospholipid vesicle with magnification showing the typical phospholipid bilayered membrane structure with the hydrophilic headgroups directed outward and the hydrophobic fatty acid tails inside the bilayer. In this study the phospholipids were primarily present as bilayer sheets instead of a spherical vesicle. Based on research done by Scheidt *et al.*, in 2004 and 2008 where

they showed that protons in different parts of some flavonoid aglycone structures displayed different rates of cross relaxation (calculated from NOESY NMR) with different lipid protons, we hypothesized that we would be able to find similar patterns with regards to different tannin substructures.^{121,122} The benefit of observing how the cross relaxation rates that different parts (protons) of the studied compound vary in magnitude along the length of the lipid is that one can deduce i) the probable orientation of the studied compound in the perturbed bilayer and ii) how deep within the bilayer structure it is able to penetrate.

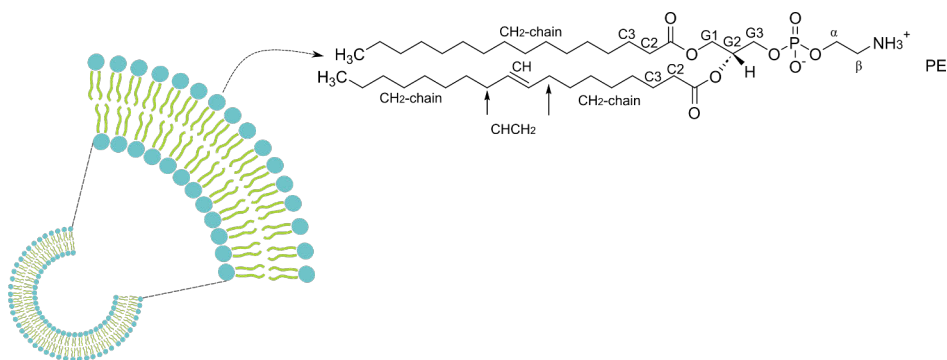


Figure 8. Illustration of a phospholipid vesicle with the magnification showing the structure of 18:1 L- α -phosphatidylethanolamine (PE), which is the most abundant chain length, degree of unsaturation and lipid class of the commercial *E. coli* lipid extract with notable protons labeled.

In addition to the possible NOE correlations that can be observed between a spatially close HTs aromatic protons and the lipid protons, the vicinity of the HT can also influence the observed ^1H chemical shifts of the lipid protons via ring current effects of the HTs aromatic rings. This chemical shift change can also indicate how deep within the bilayer structure the different HTs are able to penetrate but unfortunately without the knowledge on the orientation of the perturbing HT.

Figure 9 displays the chemical shift changes of the phospholipid protons in the presence of the studied HTs. The lipid protons H_{CH} and $\text{H}_{\text{G}2}$ unfortunately overlapped and showed a very broad signal with the achieved resolution of the utilized 400 MHz instrument, so, the possible change of the $\text{H}_{\text{G}2}$ signal (residing in the head group) was masked by the non-shifted signals of the saturated chains H_{CH} 's. As a general observation small flexible tannins like **10**, **15**, **18**, and **19** were able to penetrate the membrane structure until the start of the fatty acid tail ($\text{H}_{\text{C}2}$, Figure 8) to some degree but larger tannins, like **41** and **45**, induced more relevant change only in the very polar head group (H_{β}). This suggests that larger HTs are not able to penetrate deeply into the bilayer and even smaller HTs do not penetrate all the way along the fatty acid tail.

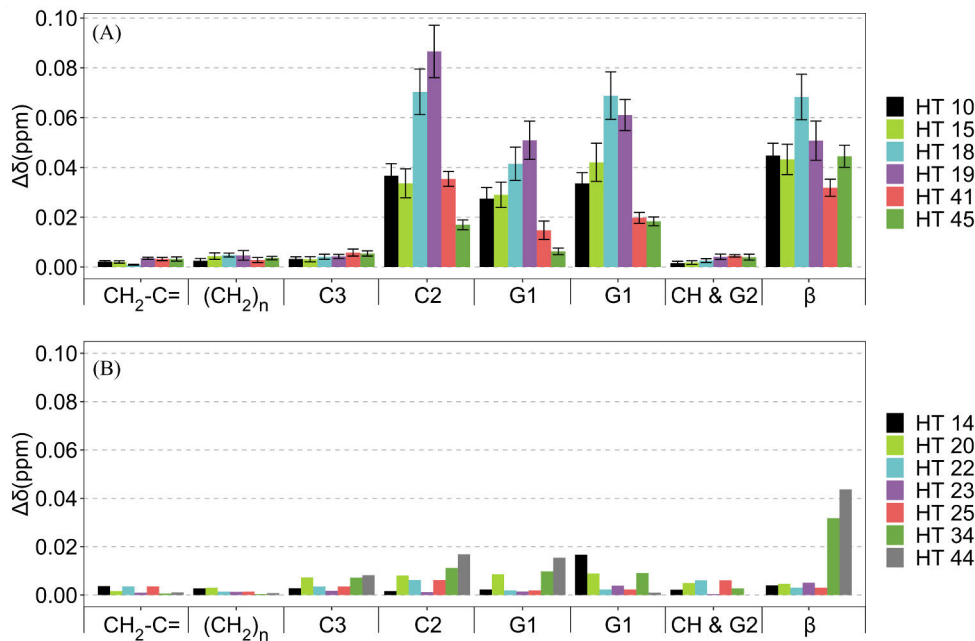


Figure 9. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ chemical shift changes ($\Delta\delta$ (ppm)), (A): $n=4$, mean \pm standard error, (B): $n=1$ of the phospholipid protons from the presence of the studied HTs, which influenced A) relevant and B) minor changes. Lipid protons on the x-axis are arranged along the length of the lipid from the fatty acid tail towards the head group. Numbering of tannins follows Figures 4 and 5. Figure adapted from **Article II**.

A surprising result was that the ETs **20**, **22**, and **23**, which are rather hydrophobic, did not influence practically any chemical shift changes suggesting that their structure, hydrophobic as it may be, is otherwise not optimal for bilayer penetration perhaps from the overall structural rigidity or other undefined reasons. Another interesting observation was that oligomers **34** and **44** were able to influence the lipid H_β 's to some extent suggesting surface level interaction with the lipid bilayer despite their rather bulky and rigid macrocyclic structures.

NOESY experiments were performed with the six HTs that showed interaction based on the chemical shift changes of the lipid protons. The achieved resolution with the used experimental setup and the 400 MHz instrument did not allow us to measure individual cross relaxation rates for the different aromatic protons of all the HTs as they are located in a very narrow ppm range in the aromatic region due to the similarity of the aromatic groups. However, for **18** the signal separation was sufficient for most of the aromatic protons and the determined cross relaxation rates of different aromatic protons of **18** against lipid protons are shown in Figure 10.

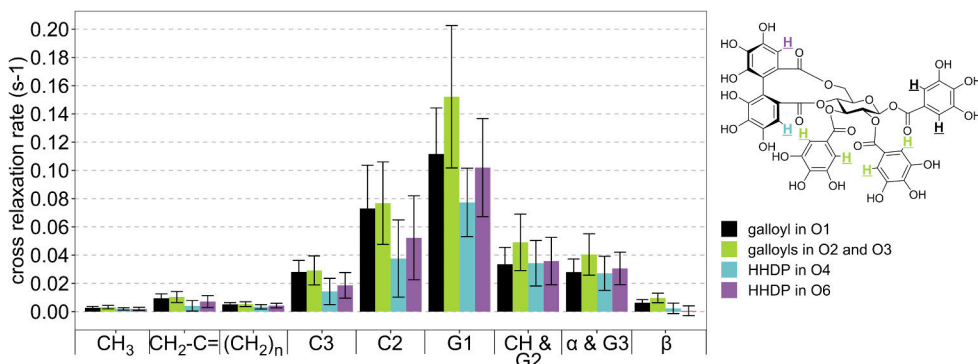


Figure 10. Cross relaxation rates ($n=4$, mean \pm standard error) of the aromatic protons of tellimagrandin II (**18**) against different lipid protons determined from a NOESY experiment with 0.3 s mixing time. Lipid protons (Figure 8) on the x-axis are arranged along the length of the lipid from the fatty acid tail towards the head group. Figure adapted from **Article II**.

The cross relaxation rates verify the same general observation that was made based on the shifted ^1H signals, i.e., **18** was able to penetrate the bilayer to the start of the fatty acid chain. The highest cross relaxation rate of **18**, and also the other studied HTs (see **Article II**), was observed against H_{G1} , which resides in the junction between the tail and head groups. The galloyl protons of **18** show higher cross relaxation rates against the “deeper” lipid protons H_{G1} , H_{C2} , and H_{C3} which indicates that the galloyl groups are spatially closer, i.e., **18** is most probably oriented with the galloyl groups facing the membrane and the HHDP group outward (Figure 11).

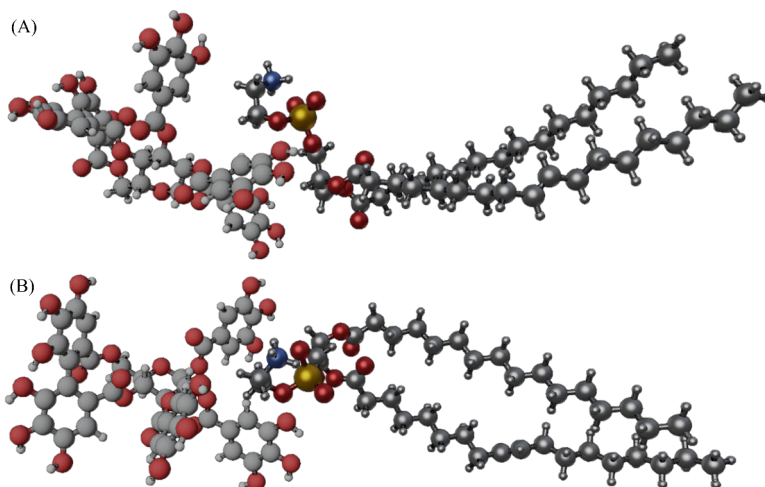


Figure 11. Three-dimensional visualization (from the (A) side and (B) top-down) of the possible vicinity of a tellimagrandin II molecules (left, matte) galloyl groups and 18:1 L- α -phosphatidylethanolamine molecules (right, metallic) head group.

3.2.2 ITC measurements

After studying the HT-lipid interactions with NMR, we attempted to find a method which would enable more structural comparisons, i.e., a method with more sensitivity. Although the NMR method functioned excellently and gave quality results with the effective HTs it did not provide much “range” as even the signals from the effective tannins were relatively modest in magnitude. Additionally, the required measurement time to acquire adequate 2D-NOESY spectra with the used experimental conditions and instrument was quite long (approximately 13 hours each for one mixing time) so the new method would also have to be faster to enable more compounds to be included in the studies while still allowing repetitions. Previously, tannin-protein interactions have been studied with ITC successfully^{43,123}, and as ITC is a reasonably fast technique and does not require very high concentrations or sample volumes, it was chosen for further HT-lipid interaction screening.

The lipid interaction thermodynamics of a set of 24 HT structures were measured with ITC: **3–6, 9,10, 12, 14, 15, 18–20, 22, 23, 25, 34, 36, 40–46**. Figure 12 shows the molar enthalpy changes for a 2 μ L injection of HT into the sample cell filled with lipid vesicle solution (for full ITC data see **Article III**). The studied HTs were divided into four groups according to the observed interaction magnitude and their oligomerization degree: A) monomers with weak interaction, B) monomers with strong interaction, C) dimers, and D) trimers. The HTs in group A produced minimal heats of interaction and their thermograms (see **Article III** for full thermograms) closely resembled their control measurements (HT titrated into buffer) indicating that only the heat of dilution from the consecutive injections was measured. A common structural feature with the more effective HTs in groups B–D (B: **18, 19**; C: **36, 43**; D: **45, 46**) is that they contain more free galloyl groups and are thus structurally more flexible than the ones with more oxidized and dehydrogenated substituents. This was the most dominant structural feature but the other substituents do also have an interaction increasing effect e.g. if we compare HTs **6** and **18**, which both have three galloyl groups but in **18** the glucose is also substituted with an HHDP group resulting in a much higher heat of interaction.

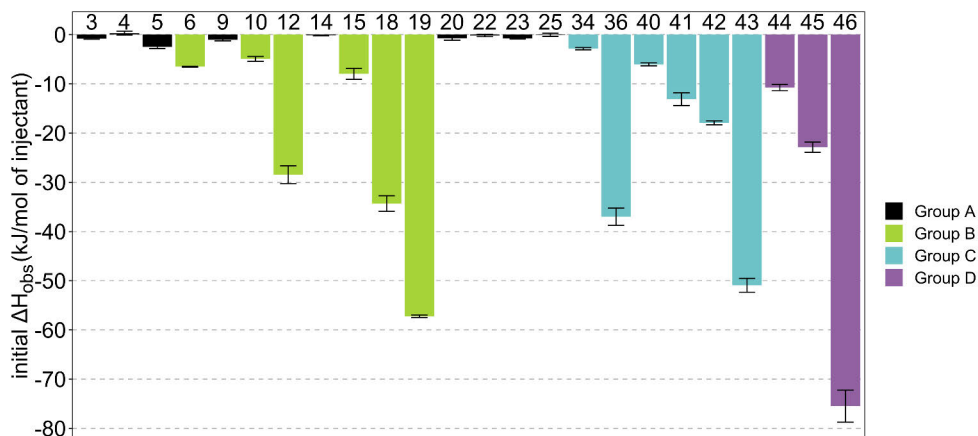


Figure 12. Observed molar enthalpy change (ΔH_{obs} (kJ/mol of injectant), $n=3$, mean \pm standard error) after the first real HT injection into the lipid solution. The HTs are divided into the following groups according to their degree of oligomerization and observed interaction magnitude: A) monomers with weak interaction, B) monomers with strong interaction, C) dimers, and D) trimers. Numbering of tannins follows Figures 4 and 5.

Included in the group A were the relatively hydrophobic ETs **20**, **22**, and **23**, which were observed in the NMR measurements to not penetrate lipid bilayers. Both observations suggest that these rigid structures with 1C_4 glucose polyol do not interact with lipid vesicles in aqueous solution with high affinity.

Another interesting observation was made from one of the control measurements (HT being titrated into buffer), where some of the HTs showed progressively decreasing endothermic (with few exothermic exceptions) heat rates, which is attributed to a deaggregation process (or aggregation with the exothermic exceptions).^{123,124} This process occurs when the HTs are titrated from a concentrated solution, where they can aggregate, to a less concentrated solution. The amount of deaggregation will diminish with each injection as the HT concentration starts to increase in the buffer solution.

Figure 13 displays the fitted thermodynamic parameters of the control measurements into an aggregate dissociation model. It is worth noting that this model relies on the assumption that HT aggregates exist predominantly as dimers and larger aggregates are thus not well predicted. Notably the previously mentioned HTs **20**, **22**, and **23** produced significant exothermic heat of deaggregation even though they produced close to no observable heat of interaction with the lipid vesicles. Also, dimer **43** and trimers **45** and **46** were found to heavily deaggregate in these control experiments.

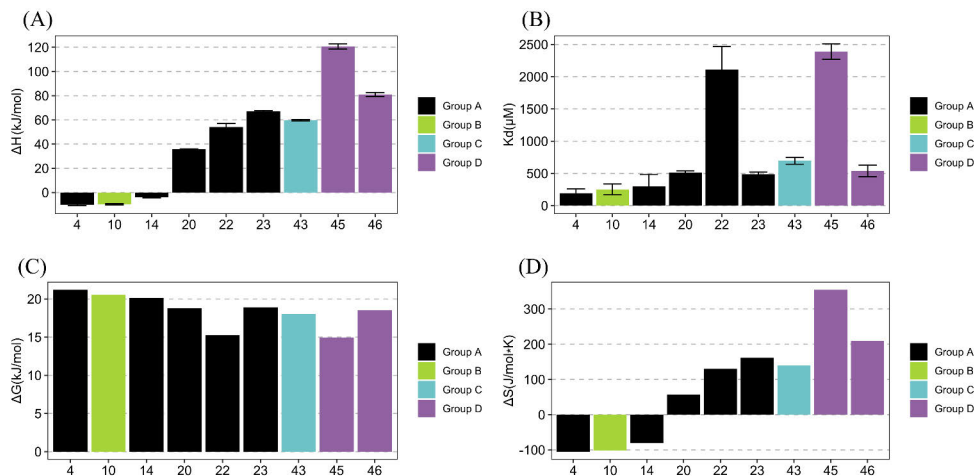


Figure 13. Fitted values of HT to buffer control measurements with an aggregate dissociation model: (A) ΔH (kJ/mol), (B) K_d (μM), (C) ΔG (kJ/mol), and (D) ΔS (J/mol K). Numbering of tannins follows Figures 4 and 5.

3.3 NMR metabolomics of bacterial cultures treated with hydrolysable tannins

As the lipid interaction studies with NMR and ITC demonstrated that certain HTs have a tendency to penetrate and interact with lipid bilayers we next aimed to study these interactions in a more applied setting. HTs have been shown to inhibit several different strains of bacteria^{9,14,15,99–103} and as the membrane structures of many of these strains consist of similar phospholipids as we had been thus far experimenting with, we planned to study how different HTs have an effect to the bacterial metabolome and if the detected metabolome changes are linked to the inhibition efficiency of these different HTs. We utilized an untargeted NMR metabolomics approach to study how different HTs cause changes to the metabolome of *E. coli* and *S. aureus* cultures during culture growth. HTs utilized in this study were **5**, **13**, **18**, **19**, **38**, and **43**. In addition to these two purely bacterial sets, the effect of HTs was also tested with a more complex system where donor fecal samples were included in the growth medium of an *S. aureus* culture. The NMR data of the three sets (*E. coli*, *S. aureus*, and fecal batch culture) were processed and then analyzed using principal component analysis (PCA).

Figure 14 shows the PCA score plot of the *E. coli* culture set samples after 24 hours of incubation displaying separation between the different groups, i.e., different HT treatments. For PCA plots of the full set (containing all the incubation timepoint samples), the different incubation times (0 h and 8 h), and the different bacterial sets

see **Article IV**. All of the selected HTs did cause observable changes to the *E. coli* metabolome when compared to the control cultures which were not inhibited.

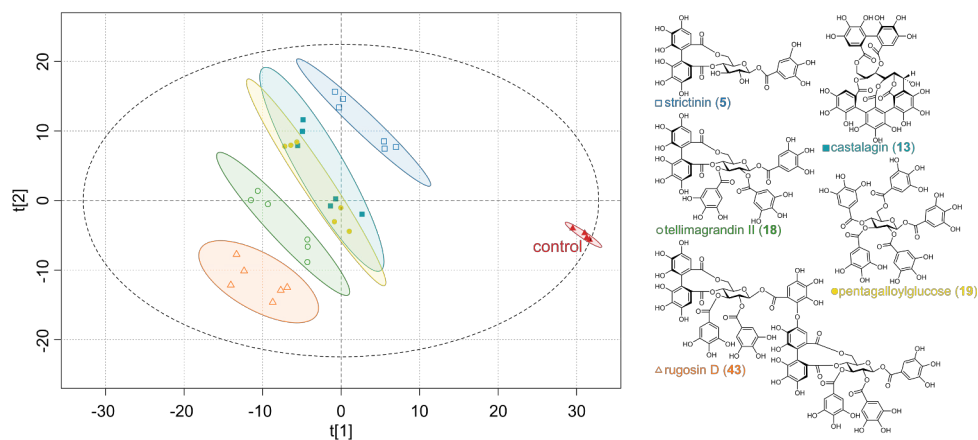


Figure 14. PCA score plot ($R^2X(1) = 0.34$, $R^2Y(2) = 0.16$) from the NMR metabolomics data of *E. coli* culture samples treated with different hydrolysable tannins after 24 hours of incubation. Groups are colored according to hydrolysable tannin treatment and controls. Figure adapted from **Article IV**.

The distance between the control sample cluster and the different HT clusters increases in the following order: **5**, **13**, **18**, **19**, and **43**. This order was also confirmed to correlate with the plated bacterial inhibition experiments (see **Article IV** Figure 11) and literature¹⁴ of these HTs, and thus, the PCA group separation was confirmed to produce valid and comparable “inhibition” data with no colony counting or other laborious procedures. The general observed order made sense considering the determined hydrophobicities of these tannins as well as the extent that they were observed to interact with lipids. Meaning that generally the more hydrophobic HTs induced more changes to the bacterial metabolome. However, it was interesting that pentagalloylglucose (**19**) was found to be less efficient in inhibiting *E. coli* than tellimagrandin II (**18**) and almost as inefficient as castalagin (**13**). This result cannot be explained purely by the determined hydrophobicities and strict aqueous lipid interactions as both **13** and **18** were more hydrophilic and interacted less with lipids than **19**. It seems that the HHDP group (and possibly also the NHTP group in **13**) is beneficial regarding bacterial inhibition either as a part of the intact tannin structure or as a fragmented and lactonized product like ellagic acid or its further metabolized products, urolithins.¹²⁵ This observation supports a general theory that has been earlier proposed regarding tannin PPC (now possibly also lipid activity) and AOA activities where it had been noted that the most antimicrobially active tannins are not the most efficient ones in either PPC or AOA but are in the middle with the capability

to interact semi-efficiently with macromolecules but also act as semi-efficient radical scavengers.^{75,112,126,127}

The loadings of the PCA models revealed several significant metabolites from the *E. coli* sample set which were behind most of the explained variance in the constructed PCA models. Figure 15 displays the concentration changes of three selected metabolites (lactate, acetate, and succinate; see Article IV for the rest) and the growth medium glucose. The increase of these three overflow metabolites¹²⁸ is an indication that microbial growth is still taking place, but their levels stay below that of the control samples demonstrating inhibition. Same can be seen from the decrease of glucose as the microbial growth is using the supplemented glucose where the tannin treated cultures used the glucose slower than control culture.

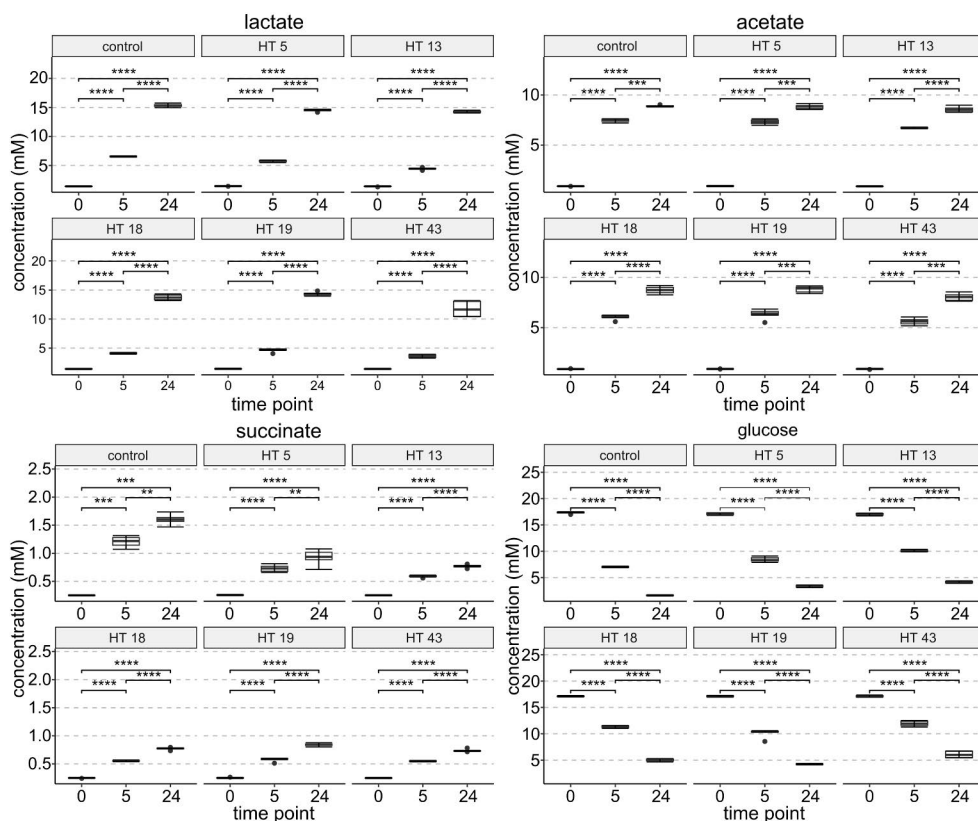


Figure 15. Statistically significant ($P < 0.05$) metabolite concentrations from the *E. coli* set at 0 h, 5 h, and 24 h time points. Numbering of tannins follows Figures 4 and 5. P values of difference are from a paired t -test ($n=6$). Levels of significance: **** $P < .0001$; *** $P < .001$; ** $P < .01$; * $P < .05$; ns = non-significant. Figure adapted from Article IV.

The metabolome changes of the *S. aureus* cultures induced by the different HT treatments were not as clearly separated in the PCA plot of the 24 hour time point samples (Figure 16) as with the *E. coli* set. All of the HT treatments were however well separated from the control culture cluster indicating that the HT treatments were able to alter the bacterial metabolome. The plated inhibition experiments confirmed that this separation from the control samples correlated with *S. aureus* inhibition (see **Article IV** Figure 12). The inhibition results also clarified why the separation between the different HT treatments in the PCA plot were not clear as all of the HTs were observed to inhibit *S. aureus* very effectively, which led to the HT treated cultures developing similar metabolite compositions. Minor separation can be seen with the bulk of the HT treated samples and the least efficient inhibitors, HTs **5** and **13**, suggesting that they were not quite as efficient *S. aureus* inhibitors as the other tested HTs. It is interesting to note that these cultures treated with **5** and **13** were more inhibited in the earlier 5 h (see **Article IV**) timepoint than in the 24 h timepoint suggesting that the inhibition capacity of these weaker inhibitors diminishes quicker than that of the stronger inhibitors.

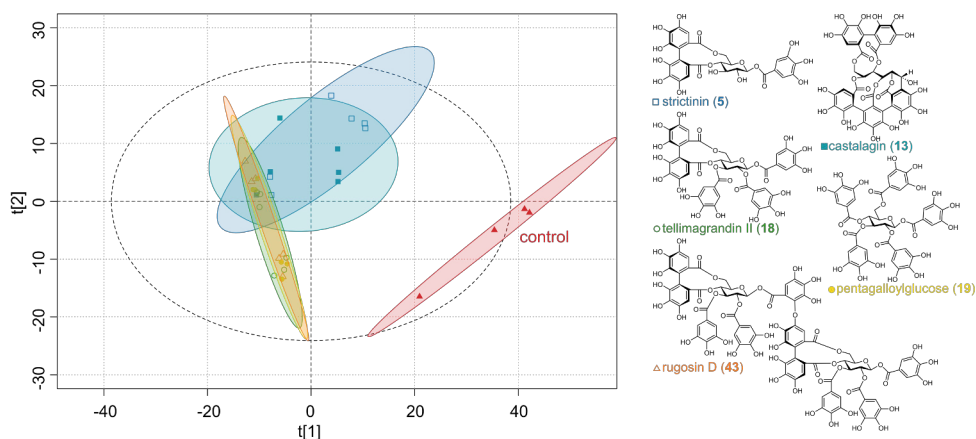


Figure 16. PCA score plot ($R^2X(1) = 0.47$, $R^2Y(2) = 0.19$) from the NMR metabolomics data of *S. aureus* culture samples treated with different hydrolysable tannins after 24 hours of incubation. Groups are colored according to hydrolysable tannin treatment and controls. Figure adapted from **Article IV**.

The concentration changes of individual metabolites (Figure 17) in the *S. aureus* cultures verified the observations made from the PCA plot. The cultures treated with HTs **18**, **19**, and **43** produced minor amounts of lactate and acetate corroborating with efficient bacterial inhibition whereas the cultures treated with **5** and **13** started to produce these metabolites in the later 24 h time point indicating that microbial growth was emerging despite the earlier inhibition. The concentration of the growth

medium glucose also corroborates with this as the cultures treated with 5 and 13 started to consume glucose in the 24 h time point.

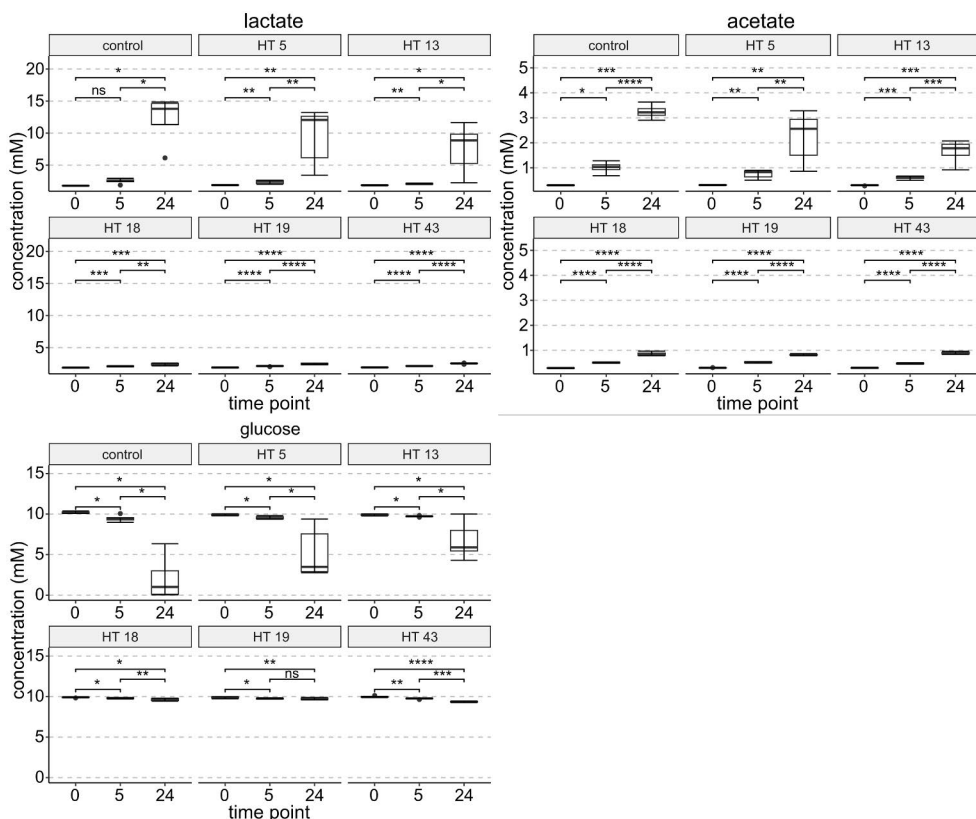


Figure 17. Statistically significant ($p < 0.05$) metabolite concentrations from the *S. aureus* set at 0 h, 5 h, and 24 h time points. Numbering of tannins follows Figures 4 and 5. P values of difference are from a paired t -test ($n=6$). Levels of significance: **** $P < .0001$; *** $P < .001$; ** $P < .01$; * $P < .05$; ns = non-significant. Figure adapted from **Article IV**.

The *S. aureus* cultures, which were grown in a medium containing fecal donor samples, were also studied similarly as the previous bacterial sets. Unfortunately, some bacteria of *Enterobacteriaceae* family (see **Article IV** bacterial DNA sequencing section) originating from the donor fecal samples grew so forcibly that it made it difficult to assess the *S. aureus* cultures metabolome changes due to the HT treatments or if they correlated with bacterial inhibition.

4 Conclusions

Studied HT structures ranged from highly hydrophilic to hydrophobic with evident structural reasons behind their determined hydrophobicities. HTs with more flexibility and freely rotating structures were determined to be more hydrophobic than rigid ones and increasing molecular weight was observed to increase the hydrophobicity of the structures.

These more hydrophobic HTs were generally observed to interact with bacterial lipid vesicles and to penetrate to the exterior region of the lipid membranes bilayer structures. There were also some interesting exceptions to this where certain dehydro-ETs, which were determined to be rather hydrophobic, did not penetrate lipid vesicles in aqueous solution or interact with them observably. This observation confirmed that even though hydrophobicity is often considered to effectively predict lipophilicity and membrane permeability of compounds, it cannot be used as a sole definitive factor but should rather be used as a capable guideline. It was also observed that HTs with larger molecular weights, which was generally observed to increase the hydrophobicity, were not able to perturb the lipid bilayer structures deeply and interaction was observed only with the outermost parts of the polar lipid headgroups. This interaction, which was limited only to the surface level, was due to their bulky size.

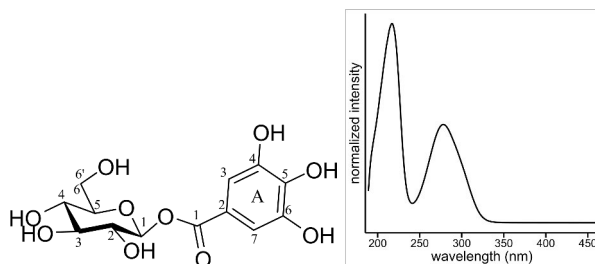
However, considering the antibacterial activities of HTs it was observed that the most effective HTs in inhibiting different bacterial strains were not the HTs with the most hydrophobic structures but rather compounds that had both hydrophobic (free galloyl groups) and hydrophilic regions (HHDP, NHTP, and other galloyl derivatives). This observation highlighted the importance of these hydrophilic structural moieties that are formed in the biosynthetically more evolved plants and partly reinforced the reason for these plants to produce these structures that have been shown to be less effective in protein interactions, which are generally thought to be one of the main mechanisms of HT antimicrobial activities. Although not proven one hypothesis for this is that the hydrophobic regions enable the HT to reach the area where their activity is required but then the hydrophilic regions are needed for the interactions that promote the bacterial inhibition mechanisms as part of the

intact HT molecule or as metabolism products such as ellagic acid or valoneic acid dilactone.

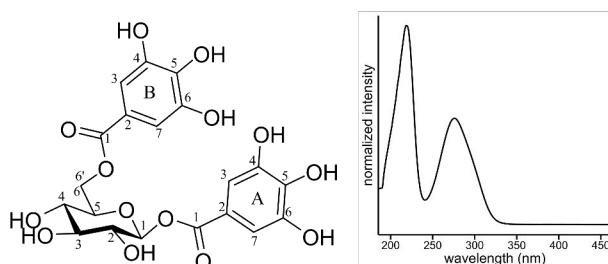
The results of this thesis work expanded the knowledge of HT hydrophobicities and provided novel information on HT-lipid interactions. The generated chemical knowledge can be utilized multidisciplinarily and is valuable for future applications, for example in agriculture and animal and human nutrition. The obtained antibacterial results were in line with literature and although they offered insights into the structure-activity patterns behind these inhibitory activities they still leave room for future studies to use more structurally different compounds to enable even better comparisons. As a final point, it is remarkable how much the perception of compounds classified as tannins has shifted over the years from just simple leathermaking tools and ink ingredients to genuinely beneficial components of our diets that have the capacity to counter pathogens and reduce inflammation.

Appendix

List of the hydrolysable tannins used in the thesis work with information on plant origin, purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm, ESI-MS identification (**molecular** and fragment ions) and $^1\text{H-NMR}$ assignment with labeled chemical structure (left) and UV spectrum (right). Tannin numbering is presented according to **Article I** in the order of ascending molecular weight.

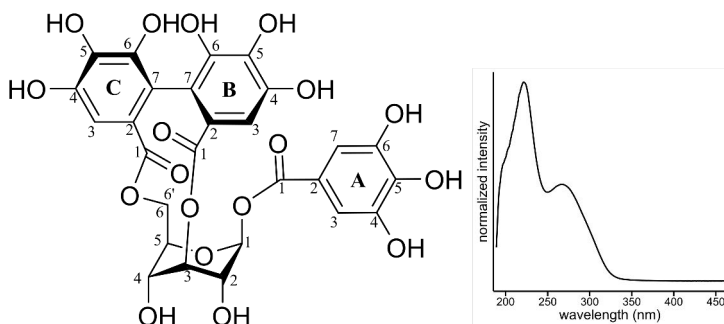


1-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose (1) was isolated from *Betula pubescens* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 87.9%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 331.06765 ($[\text{M-H}]^-$, error -1.8 ppm), 169.01502 ($[\text{gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 4.6 ppm), 125.02571 ($[\text{gallic acid-COOH-H}]^-$, error 10.3 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.44–3.55 (m, 4H, $\text{H}_{\text{glc-2,3,4,5}}$), 3.69 (br dd, 1H, $J=3.0, 12.0$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 3.82 (br d, 1H, $J=11.5$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.67 (d, 1H, $J=7.8$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc-1}}$), 7.17 (s, 2H, $\text{H}_{\text{A-3,7}}$).¹²⁹

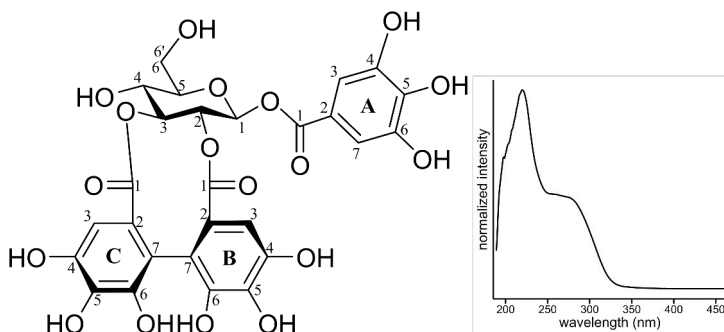


1,6-di-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose (2) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 99.9%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at

483.07850 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 331.06772 ($[M\text{-galloyl-}H]^-$, error 2.0 ppm), 313.05674 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-}H]^-$, error 0.8 ppm), 169.01516 ($[gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error 5.4 ppm), 125.02550 ($[gallic\ acid-COOH-H]^-$, error 8.7 ppm); $^1H\text{-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.54–3.64 (m, 3H, $H_{glc-2,3,4}$), 3.77 (ddd, 1H, $J=2.0, 4.9, 9.2$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 4.41 (dd, 1H, $J=4.9, 12.1$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.54 (dd, 1H, $J=2.0, 12.1$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.73 (d, 1H, $J=7.7$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 7.13 (s, 2H, $H_{B-3,7}$), 7.16 (s, 2H, $H_{A-3,7}$).¹³⁰

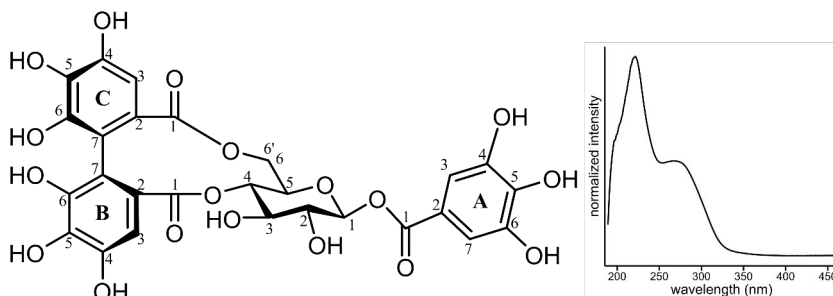


corilagin (3) was isolated from *Terminalia chebula* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.3%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 633.07285 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.8 ppm), 463.05231 ($[M\text{-galloyl-}H]^-$, error 1.1 ppm), 300.99889 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -0.3 ppm); $^1H\text{-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.06 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 4.10 (dd, 1H, $J=8.1, 11.0$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.46 (br s, 1H, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.52 (m, 1H, H_{glc-5}), 4.83 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-3}), 4.97 (t, 1H, $J=11.0$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 6.37 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 6.70 (s, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, H_{C-3}), 6.84 (s, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, H_{B-3}), 7.12 (s, 2H, $H_{A-3,7}$).^{131,132}

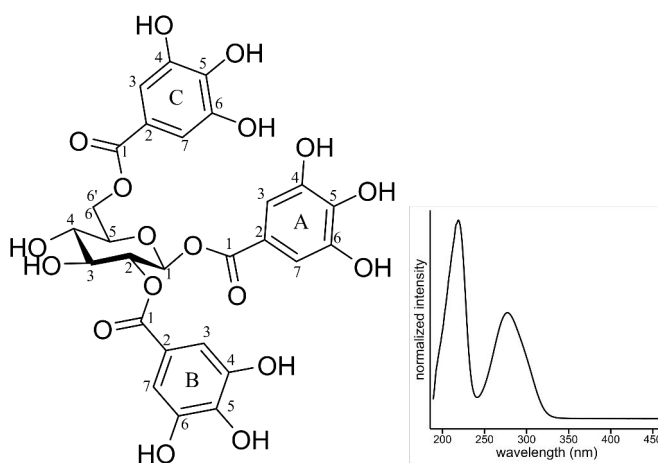


isostrictinin (4) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 93.4%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 633.07274 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.9 ppm), 481.06225 ($[M\text{-galloyl-}H]^-$, error -0.3 ppm), 463.05150 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-}H]^-$, error -0.7 ppm), 300.99875 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -0.8 ppm); $^1H\text{-NMR}$ (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.74 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.9, 4.4, 9.4$ Hz, H_{glc-5}),

3.81 (dd, 1H, $J=4.6, 12.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 3.91 (dd, 1H, $J=1.8, 12.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 3.95 (t, 1H, $J=9.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.00 (t, 1H, $J=9.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.21 (t, 1H, $J=9.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 6.12 (d, 1H, $J=8.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$).¹³³

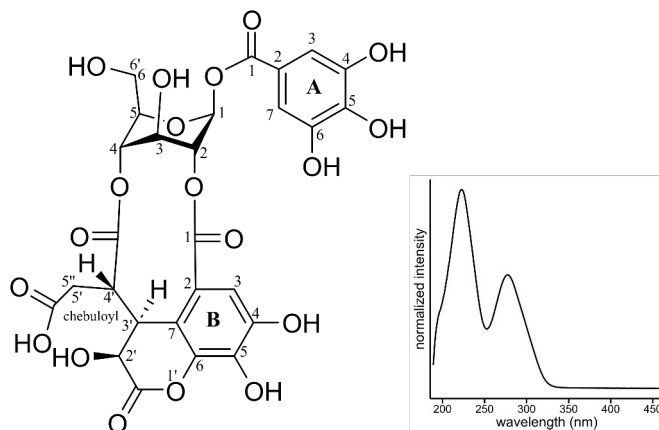


strictinin (5) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.6%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 633.07297 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.6 ppm), 463.05302 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-}H]^-$, error 2.6 ppm), 300.99896 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -0.1 ppm); 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.70 (t, 1H, $J=8.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 3.78 (d, 1H, $J=13.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 3.83 (d, 1H, $J=9.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 4.11 (dd, 1H, $J=5.7, 9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 4.90 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.21 (dd, 1H, $J=6.4, 13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.74 (d, 1H, $J=8.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 6.60 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.71 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 7.20 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A-3,7}}$).^{134,135}

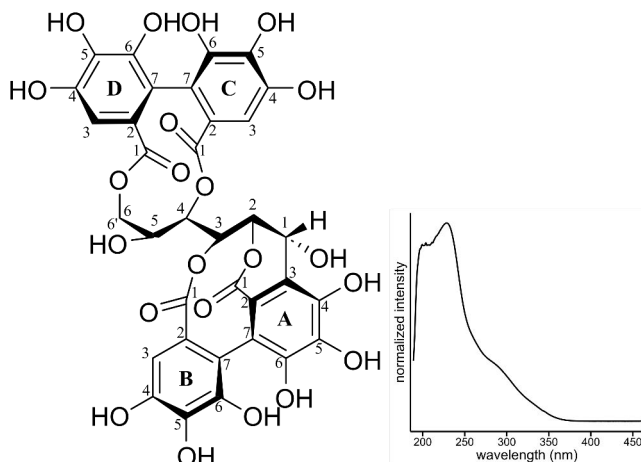


1,2,6-tri-*O*-galloyl- β -*D*-glucose (6) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 93.1%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 635.08839 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 465.06775 ($[M\text{-galloyl-}H]^-$, error 0.6 ppm), 313.05681 ($[M\text{-galloyl-gallic acid-}H]^-$, error 1.0 ppm), 169.01514 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-}H]^-$, error 5.3 ppm), 125.02551 ($[gallic\ acid\text{-COOH-}H]^-$, error 8.7 ppm); 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.76 (t, 1H, $J=9.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 3.92 (ddd,

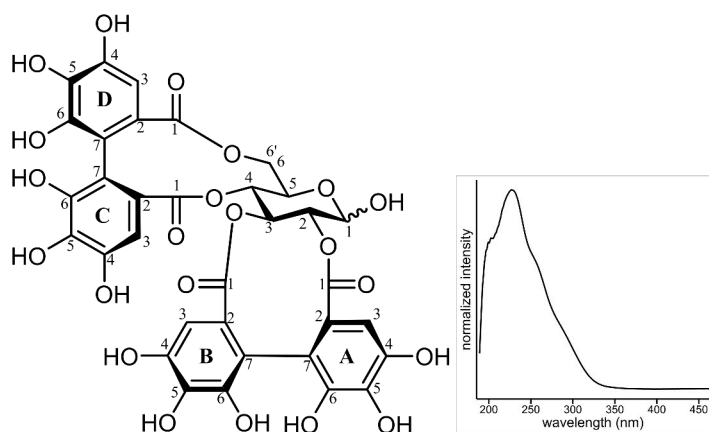
1H, J=1.9, 4.6, 9.8 Hz, H_{glc-5}), 3.98 (t, 1H, J=9.2 Hz, H_{glc-3}), 4.48 (dd, 1H, J=4.6, 12.1 Hz, H_{glc-6'}), 4.58 (dd, 1H, J=1.8, 12.1 Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.25 (dd, 1H, J=8.6, 9.4 Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.99 (d, 1H, J=8.4 Hz, H_{glc-1}), 7.07 (s, 2H, H_{A-3,7}), 7.10 (s, 2H, H_{B-3,7}), 7.15 (s, 2H, H_{C-3,7}).^{130,136}



chebulanin (7) was isolated from *Terminalia chebula* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.0%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 651.08319 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.1 ppm), 481.06300 ($[M-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error 1.3 ppm), 337.01977 ($[chebuloyl-H_2O-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 169.01320 ($[gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -6.2 ppm), 125.02288 ($[gallic\ acid-COOH-H]^-$, error -12.3 ppm); 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 2.19 (d, 1H, J=4.8 Hz, H_{che-5''}), 2.20 (d, 1H, J=10.3 Hz, H_{che-5'}), 3.90 (ddd, 1H, J=1.4, 4.9, 10.2 Hz, H_{che-4'}), 4.01 (dd, 1H, J=5.4, 11.1 Hz, H_{glc-6'}), 4.15 (br t, 1H, J=8.2 Hz, H_{glc-6}), 4.31 (br t, 1H, J=6.0 Hz, H_{glc-5}), 4.83 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-3}), 4.89 (br d, 1H, J=3.4 Hz, H_{glc-4}), 4.94 (dd, 1H, J=3.9, 7.2 Hz, H_{che-2'}), 5.19 (dd, 1H, J=1.4, 7.2 Hz, H_{che-3'}), 5.24 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 6.36 (br d, 1H, J=2.9 Hz, H_{glc-1}), 7.20 (s, 2H, H_{A-3,7}), 7.50 (s, 1H, H_{B-3}).¹³⁷

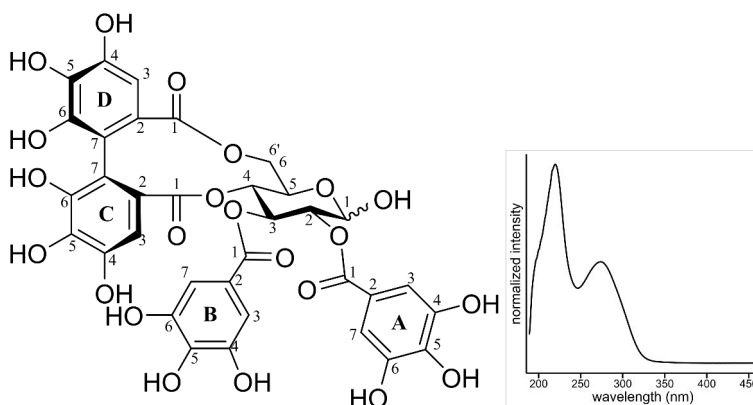


casuariin (8) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 92.0%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 783.06786 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 481.06161 ($[M-HHDP-H]^-$, error -1.6 ppm), 300.99912 ([ellagic acid- H] $^-$, error 0.4 ppm); 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.84 (d, 1H, $J=12.2$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.13 (dd, 1H, $J=2.7, 8.7$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 4.63 (dd, 1H, $J=3.2, 12.3$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 4.73 (dd, 1H, $J=2.3, 4.7$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.00 (dd, 1H, $J=2.8, 8.6$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.44 (br t, 1H, $J=2.5$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 5.65 (d, 1H, $J=4.8$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 6.43 (s, 1H, H_B-3), 6.52 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 6.66 (s, 1H, H_D-3).^{134,135}

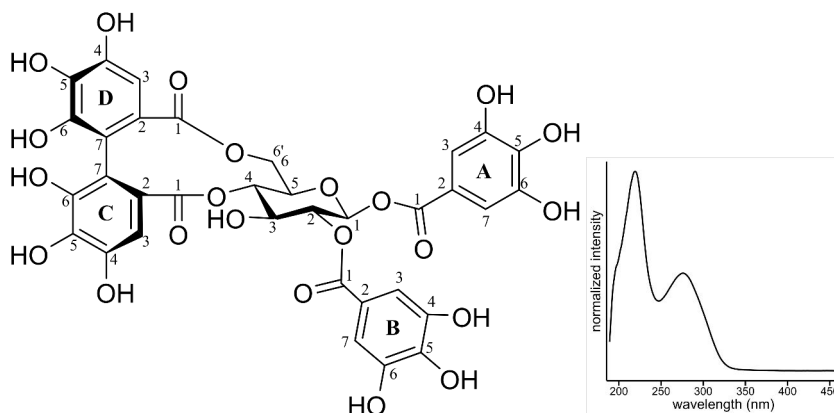


pedunculagin (9) was isolated from *Argentina anserina* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.8%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 783.06806 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.7 ppm), 481.06343 ($[M-HHDP-H]^-$, error 2.2 ppm), 300.99902 ([ellagic acid- H] $^-$, error 0.1 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, α -anomer (58%)): δ 3.77 (dd, 1H, $J=1.7, 12.8$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.61 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.7, 7.1, 10.0$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.07 (dd, 1H, $J=3.6, 9.5$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.089 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.27 (dd, 1H, $J=6.9, 12.8$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.467 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 5.474 (br d, 1H, $J=3.7$ Hz,

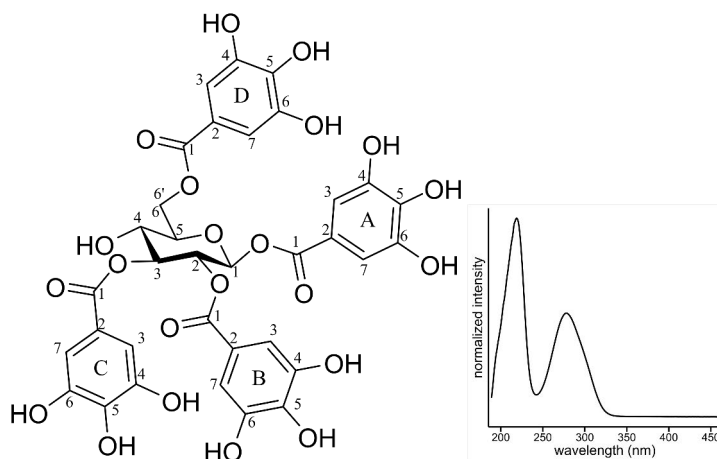
$H_{\text{glc-1}}$, 6.329 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 6.56 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{A-3}}$), 6.60 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.67 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, β -anomer (42%)): δ 3.84 (dd, 1H, $J=1.1$, 12.9 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6'}}$), 4.22 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.2$, 6.8, 9.8 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 4.84 (dd, 1H, $J=8.3$, 9.0 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.090 (dd, 1H, $J=8.5$, 10.1 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.23 (dd, 1H, $J=9.3$, 10.1 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 5.30 (dd, 1H, $J=6.7$, 12.9 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.08 (d, 1H, $J=8.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 6.325 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 6.51 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{A-3}}$), 6.59 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.68 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$).^{135,138,139}



tellimagrandin I (10) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 94.8%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 785.08343 ($[\text{M-H}]^-$, error -1.1 ppm), 483.07919 ($[\text{M-HHDP-H}]^-$, error 2.4 ppm), 300.99864 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -1.2 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, α -anomer (56%)): δ 3.78 (dd, 1H, $J=1.4$, 13.1 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6'}}$), 4.68 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.0$, 6.7, 10.2 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.120 (dd, 1H, $J=3.9$, 10.0 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.1205 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.29 (dd, 1H, $J=6.8$, 13.0 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.57 (br s, 1H, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 5.89 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 6.48 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.658 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.99 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$), 7.07 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A-3,7}}$); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, β -anomer (44%)): δ 3.86 (dd, 1H, $J=0.7$, 13.1 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6'}}$), 4.28 (ddd, 1H, $J=0.8$, 6.6, 9.9 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.123 (t, 1H, $J=9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.25 (dd, 1H, $J=7.9$, 9.6 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.62 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$, 10.1 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 5.31 (dd, 1H, $J=6.2$, 13.1 Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.107 (m, 1H, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 6.45 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.663 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.95 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$), 7.06 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A-3,7}}$).¹⁴⁰

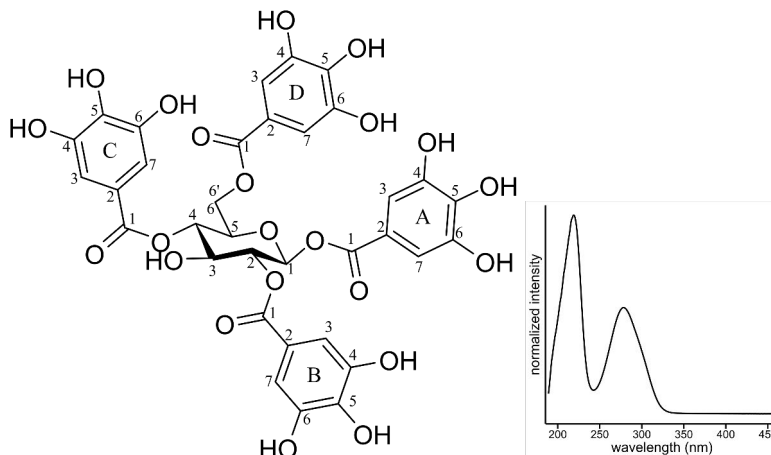


1,2-di-O-galloyl-4,6-HHDP- β -D-glucose (11) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 95.0%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 785.08413 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.2 ppm), 615.06286 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 0.1 ppm), 300.99900 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error 0.03 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.84 (d, 1H, $J=13.2$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.22 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 4.28 (dd, 1H, $J=6.2, 9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.06 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.27 (dd, 1H, $J=16.5, 13.3$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.39 (t, 1H, $J=8.8$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.99 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 6.62 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 6.72 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 7.09 (s, 2H, $H_B-3,7$), 7.10 (s, 1H, H_A-3).¹⁴¹

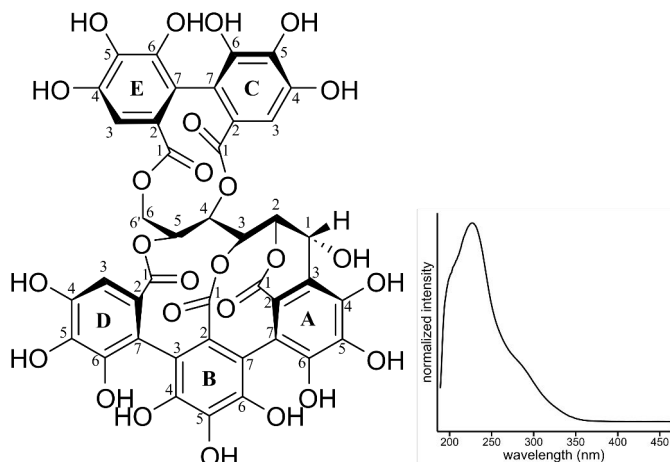


1,2,3,6-tetra-O-galloyl- β -D-glucose (12a) was isolated from *Acer platanoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 71.4% (largest impurity was a 1,2,4,6-galloylated isomer); ESI-MS identification: m/z at 787.09991 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.05 ppm), 635.08896 ($[M\text{-galloyl-H}]^-$, error -0.04 ppm), 617.07897 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 0.9 ppm), 573.08790 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-COOH-H}]^-$, error -1.2 ppm), 465.06807 ($[M\text{-gallic acid-galloyl-H}]^-$, error 1.3 ppm), 447.06807 ($[M\text{-2gallic}$

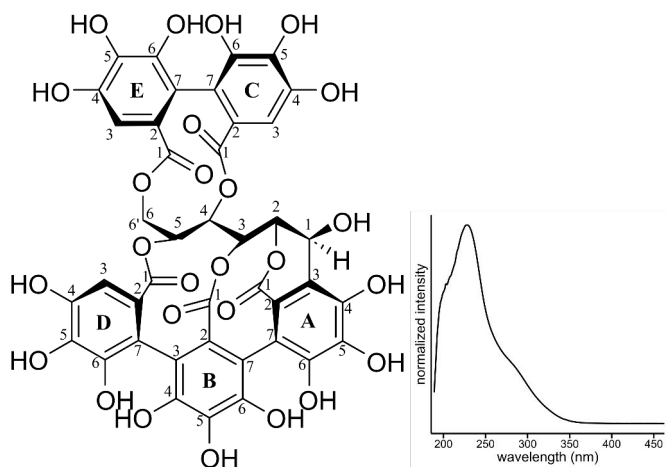
acid-H]⁻, error -1.5 ppm), 313.05666 ([M-gallic acid-2galloyl-H]⁻, error 0.5 ppm), 169.01312 ([gallic acid-H]⁻, error -6.7 ppm), 125.02285 ([gallic acid-COOH-H]⁻, error -12.5 ppm); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 298 K): δ 4.11 (dd, 1H, J=5.6, 9.0 Hz, H_{glc}-4), 4.15 (ddd, 1H, J=2.1, 4.1, 9.8 Hz, H_{glc}-5), 4.57 (dd, 1H, J=4.3, 12.2 Hz, H_{glc}-6'), 4.61 (dd, 1H, J=2.0, 12.1 Hz, H_{glc}-6), 5.47 (dd, 1H, J=8.3, 9.9 Hz, H_{glc}-2), 5.67 (dd, 1H, J=8.9, 9.8 Hz, H_{glc}-3), 6.18 (d, 1H, J=8.3 Hz, H_{glc}-1), 7.00 (s, 2H, H_B-3,7), 7.08 (s, 2H, H_C-3,7), 7.09 (s, 2H, H_A-3,7), 7.18 (s, 2H, H_D-3,7).^{130,142}



1,2,4,6-tetra-O-galloyl-β-D-glucose (12b) was isolated from *Acer platanoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 74.7% (largest impurity was a 1,2,3,6-galloylated isomer); ESI-MS identification: *m/z* at 787.09988 ([M-H]⁻, error -0.1 ppm), 617.07919 ([M-gallic acid-H]⁻, error 1.2 ppm), 465.066858 ([M-gallic acid-galloyl-H]⁻, error 2.4 ppm), 313.05578 ([M-gallic acid-2galloyl-H]⁻, error -2.3 ppm), 169.01318 ([gallic acid-H]⁻, error -6.3 ppm), 125.02290 ([gallic acid-COOH-H]⁻, error -12.1 ppm); ¹H-NMR (600 MHz, acetone-*d*₆, 298 K): δ 4.27 (dd, 1H, J=4.8, 11.9 Hz, H_{glc}-6'), 4.30 (ddd, 1H, J=1.6, 5.0, 9.7 Hz, H_{glc}-5), 4.39 (t, 1H, J=9.4 Hz, H_{glc}-3), 4.50 (dd, 1H, J=1.4, 11.9 Hz, H_{glc}-6), 5.40 (dd, 1H, J=8.4, 9.5 Hz, H_{glc}-2), 5.41 (t, 1H, J=9.5 Hz, H_{glc}-4), 6.11 (d, 1H, J=8.4 Hz, H_{glc}-1), 7.09 (s, 2H, H_A-3,7), 7.11 (s, 2H, H_B-3,7), 7.16 (s, 2H, H_D-3,7), 7.17 (s, 2H, H_C-3,7).^{130,131}

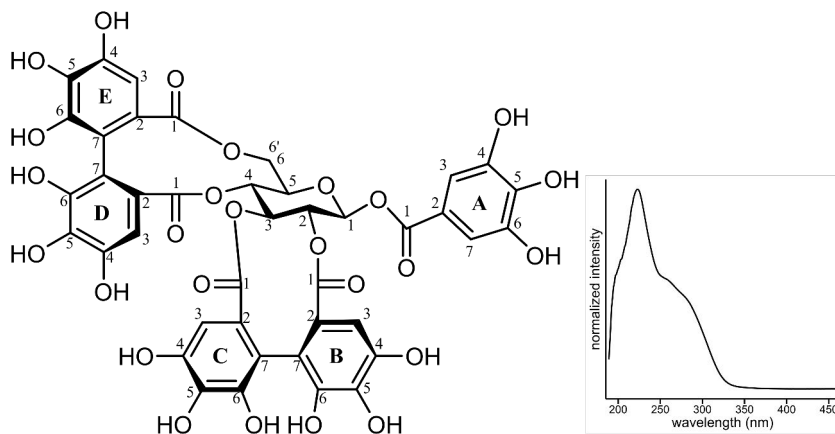


castalagin (13) was isolated from *Quercus robur* acorns; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 99.6%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 933.06192 ($[M-H]^-$, error – 2.2 ppm), 889.07151 ($[M-COOH-H]^-$, error – 2.9 ppm), 631.05763 ($[M-HHDP-H]^-$, error – 0.1 ppm), 300.99838 ([ellagic acid- H] $^-$, error – 2.0 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.01 (d, 1H, $J=12.5$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 5.03 (m, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 5.04 (m, 1H, H_{glc-3}), 5.10 (dd, 1H, $J=2.6, 13.0$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.24 (t, 1H, $J=7.3$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.61 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.0, 2.5, 7.7$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.71 (d, 1H, $J=4.4$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 6.63 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.77 (s, 2H, H_C-3 & H_D-3).^{50,143}

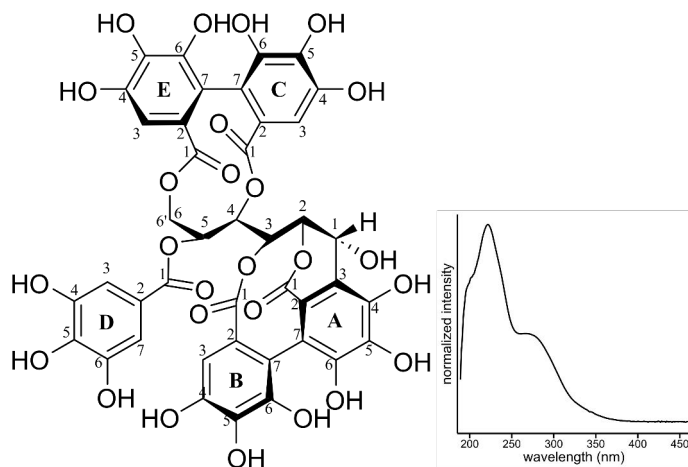


vescalagin (14) was isolated from *Quercus robur* acorns; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.0%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 933.06361 ($[M-H]^-$, error – 0.4 ppm), 915.05479 ($[M-H_2O-H]^-$, error 1.5 ppm), 871.06140 ($[M-COOH-H_2O-H]^-$, error – 2.5 ppm), 613.04664 ($[M-HHDP-H_2O-H]^-$, error – 0.8 ppm), 300.99902 ([ellagic acid- H] $^-$, error 1.5 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.01 (d, 1H, $J=12.4$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.51 (ddd, 1H, $J=0.9, 6.7, 9.9$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 4.57 (dd, 1H,

$J=1.4, 6.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 4.89 (d, 1H, $J=2.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 5.09 (dd, 1H, $J=2.6, 13.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.17 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.23 (t, 1H, $J=1.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 6.61 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.76 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.77 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$).^{50,143}

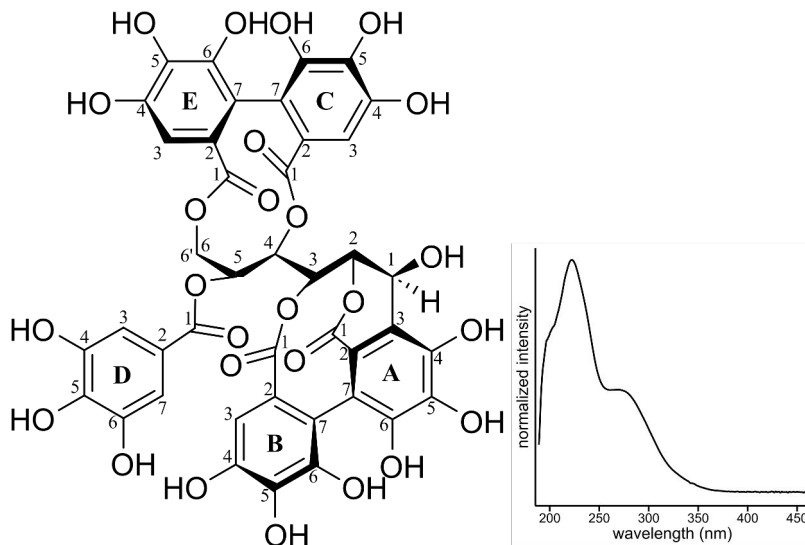


casuarictin (15) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.5%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 935.07924 ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$, error -0.4 ppm), 633.07380 ($[\text{M}-\text{HHDP}-\text{H}]^-$, error 0.7 ppm), 300.99913 ($[\text{ellagic acid}-\text{H}]^-$, error 0.5 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.88 (dd, 1H, $J=0.9, 13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 4.51 (ddd, 1H, $J=0.9, 6.7, 9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.17 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.18 (t, 1H, $J=8.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.36 (dd, 1H, $J=6.7, 13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.45 (dd, 1H, $J=9.2, 10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 6.22 (d, 1H, $J=8.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 6.36 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.46 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 6.54 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.68 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 7.18 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A-3,7}}$).¹³⁵

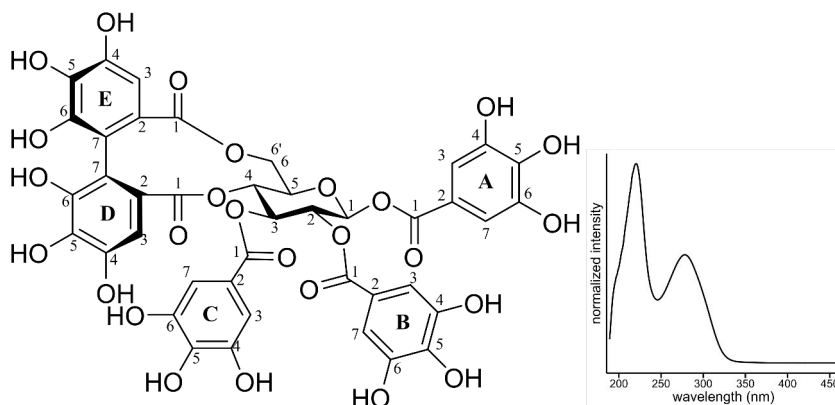


casuarinin (16) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.5%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 935.07917 ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$

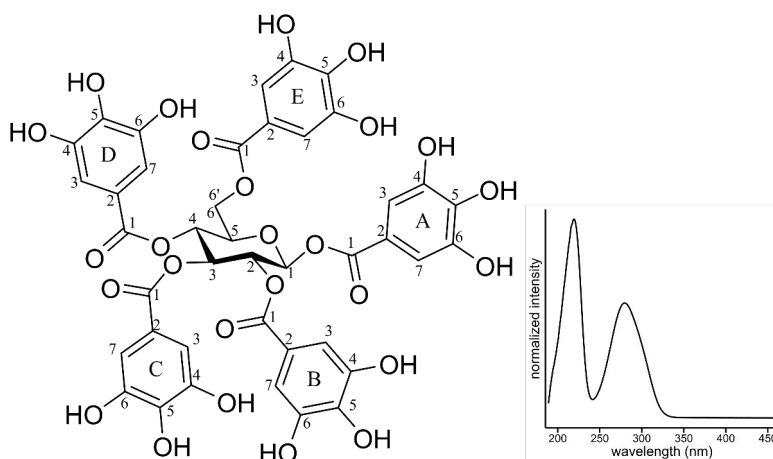
, error -0.5 ppm), 783.06775 ($[M\text{-galloyl-H}]^-$, error -1.1 ppm), 633.07343 ($[M\text{-HHDP-H}]^-$, error 0.1 ppm), 481.06372 ($[M\text{-HHDP-galloyl-H}]^-$, error 2.8 ppm), 300.99942 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error 1.4 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.07 (d, 1H, $J=13.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 4.69 (dd, 1H, $J=2.1, 4.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 4.78 (dd, 1H, $J=3.4, 13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.33 (dd, 1H, $J=3.2, 9.7$, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.391 (br t, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 5.394 (dd, 1H, $J=2.4, 9.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.64 (d, 1H, $J=4.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 6.50 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 6.55 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.75 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 7.11 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{D-3,7}}$).¹³⁵



stachyurin (17) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 96.8%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 935.07849 ($[M\text{-H}]^-$, error -1.2 ppm), 917.06580 ($[M\text{-H}_2\text{O-H}]^-$, error -3.5 ppm), 300.99893 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -0.2 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.03 (d, 1H, $J=12.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 4.85 (dd, 1H, $J=3.5, 13.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 4.86 (t, 1H, $J=1.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 4.93 (d, 1H, $J=1.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 4.98 (br t, 1H, $J=2.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 5.36 (dd, 1H, $J=2.8, 8.7$, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.67 (dd, 1H, $J=2.8, 8.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 6.51 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 6.55 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.84 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 7.13 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{D-3,7}}$).^{134,135}

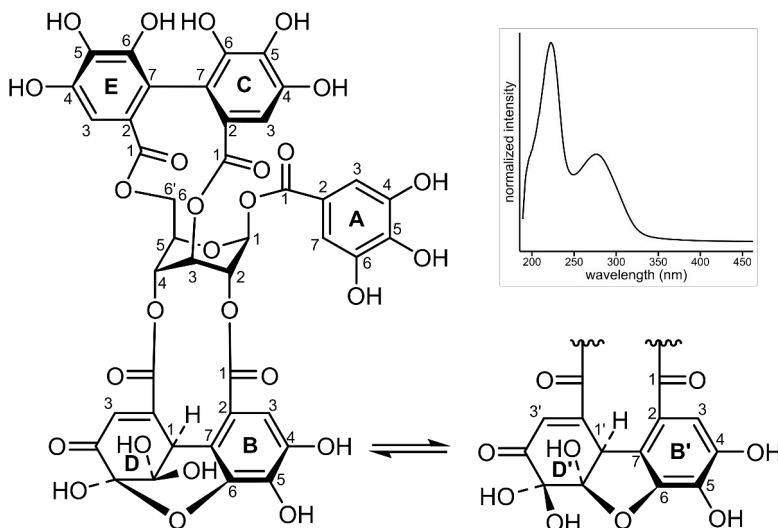


tellimagrandin II (18) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 90.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 937.09507 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.2 ppm), 767.07225 ($[M-\text{gallic acid}-H]^-$, error -1.9 ppm), 465.06785 ($[M-\text{gallic acid}-\text{HHDP}-H]^-$, error 0.8 ppm), 300.99881 ($[\text{ellagic acid}-H]^-$, error -0.6 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.89 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}-6'}$), 4.55 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}-5}$), 5.22 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}-4}$), 5.37 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}-6}$), 5.60 (dd, 1H, $J=8.5, 9.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}-2}$), 5.85 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}-3}$), 6.21 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}-1}$), 6.47 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D}-3}$), 6.66 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E}-3}$), 6.98 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{C}-3,7}$), 7.01 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B}-3,7}$), 7.12 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A}-3,7}$).¹⁴⁰

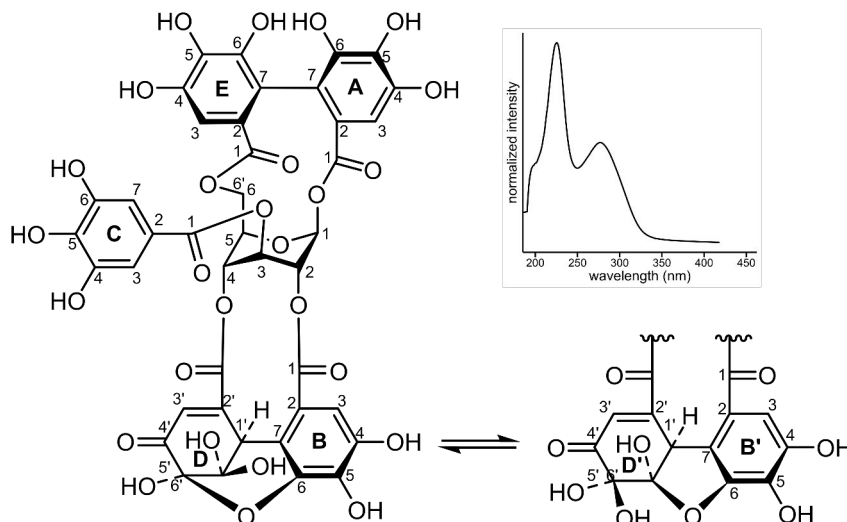


1,2,3,4,6-penta-*O*-galloyl- β -*D*-glucose (19) was prepared from tannic acid via methanolysis; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.6%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 939.11011 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.8 ppm), 787.10032 ($[M-\text{galloyl}-H]^-$, error 0.5 ppm), 769.08890 ($[M-\text{gallic acid}-H]^-$, error -0.6 ppm), 617.07852 ($[M-\text{galloyl}-\text{gallic acid}-H]^-$, error 0.2 ppm), 599.06766 ($[M-2\text{gallic acid}-H]^-$, error -0.3 ppm), 447.05754 ($[M-\text{galloyl}-2\text{gallic acid}-H]^-$, error 1.4 ppm),

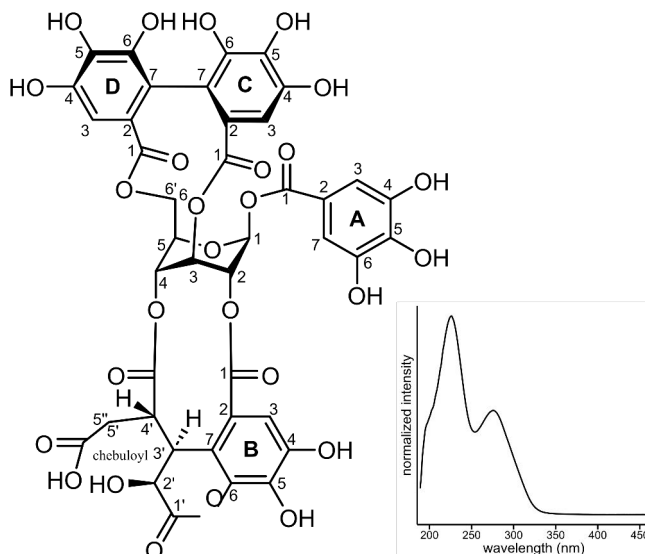
313.05682 ($[M-3\text{galloyl-gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 1.0 ppm), 169.01516 ($[\text{gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 5.4 ppm), 125.02547 ($[\text{gallic acid-COOH-H}]^-$, error 8.4 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.41 (dd, 1H, $J=4.5, 12.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 4.54 (dd, 1H, $J=1.5, 13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 4.56 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.6, 4.4, 9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.61 (dd, 1H, $J=8.3, 9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.66 (t, 1H, $J=9.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 6.01 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 6.34 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 6.97 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3,7}}$), 7.01 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$), 7.06 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{D-3,7}}$), 7.11 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A-3,7}}$), 7.18 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{E-3,7}}$).^{130,131}



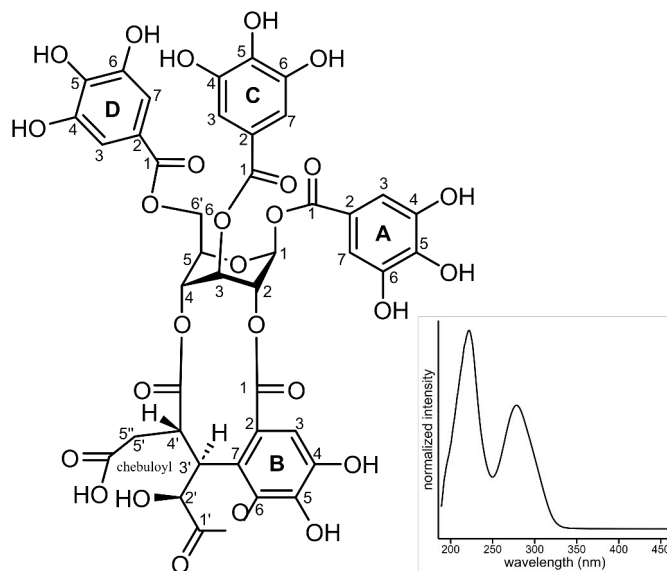
geraniin (20) was isolated from *Geranium sylvaticum* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 84.8%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 951.07360 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 933.06500 ($[M-H_2O-H]^-$, error 1.1 ppm), 300.99878 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -0.7 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, (major 6-ring tautomer)): δ 4.31 (dd, 1H, $J=8.2, 10.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}'}$), 4.78 (dd, 1H, $J=8.4, 9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 4.93 (t, 1H, $J=10.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 5.17 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-1}}$), 5.49 (br s, 1H, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 5.52 (br s, 1H, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 5.56 (br s, 1H, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 6.56 (br s, 1H, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 6.53 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.66 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 7.14 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 7.199 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 7.201 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A-3,7}}$).^{49,132}



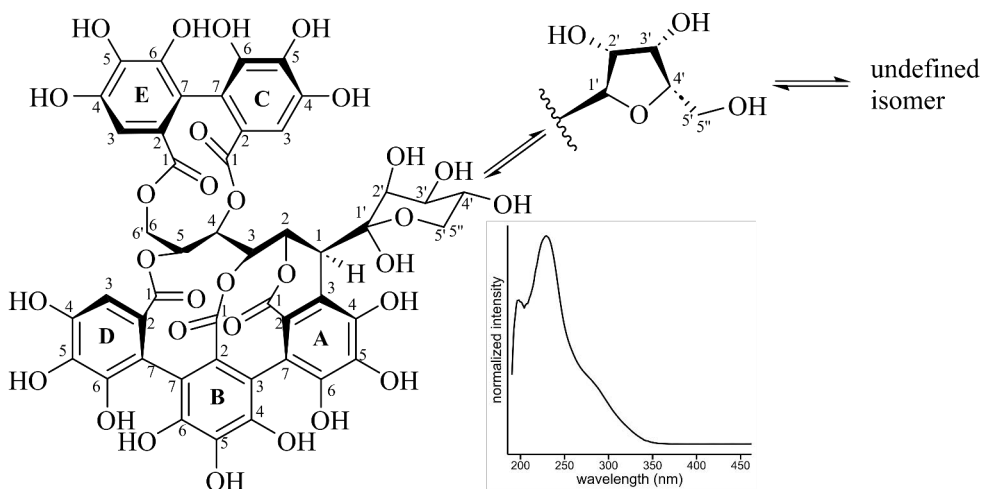
carpinusin (21) was isolated from *Geranium sylvaticum* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.3%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 951.07228 ($[M-H]^-$, error -2.4 ppm), 933.06206 ($[M-H_2O-H]^-$, error -2.0 ppm), 631.05605 ($[M-H_2O-HHDP-H]^-$, error -2.6 ppm), 613.04549 ($[M-2H_2O-HHDP-H]^-$, error -2.7 ppm), 300.99835 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -2.1 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, (6-ring, 73%)): δ 4.24 (dd, 1H, $J=5.3, 11.7$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.66 (dd, 1H, $J=5.2, 12.9$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.13 (br dd, 1H, $J=0.8, 3.4$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.23 (s, 1H, $H_{D-1'}$), 5.39 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-4}), 5.44 (dd, 1H, $J=11.9, 12.8$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.88 (m, 1H, H_{glc-3}), 6.20 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-1}), 6.57 (s, 1H, $H_{D-3'}$), 6.81 (s, 1H, H_A-3), 6.89 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 7.16 (s, 2H, $H_C-3,7$), 7.27 (s, 1H, H_B-3); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, (5-ring, 27%)): δ 4.16 (dd, 1H, $J=5.2, 11.7$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.70 (dd, 1H, $J=5.2, 12.9$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.00 (d, 1H, $J=1.3$ Hz, $H_{D-1'}$), 5.05 (br dd, 1H, $J=0.6, 3.4$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.47 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-4}), 5.48 (dd, 1H, $J=11.9, 12.7$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 6.08 (m, 1H, H_{glc-3}), 6.26 (d, 1H, $J=1.3$ Hz, $H_{D-3'}$), 6.27 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-1}), 6.88 (s, 1H, H_A-3), 6.90 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 7.18 (s, 2H, $H_C-3,7$), 7.29 (s, 1H, H_B-3).^{67,144}



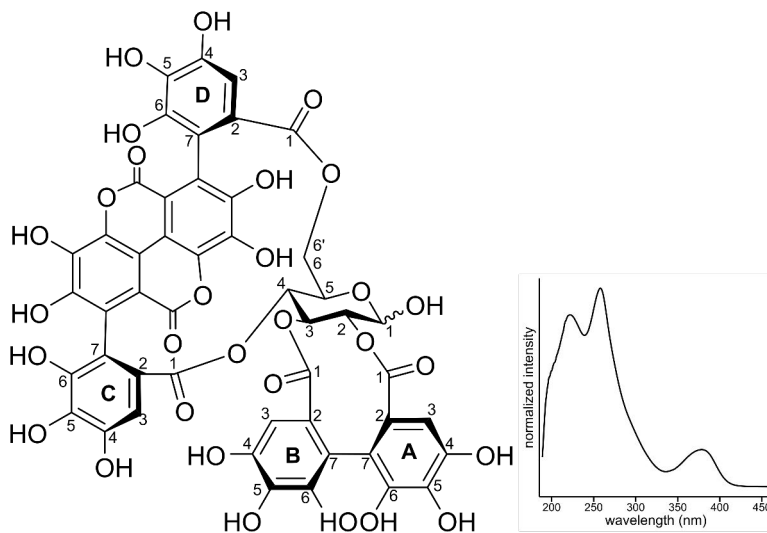
chebulagic acid (22) was isolated from *Terminalia chebula* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 96.1%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 953.08949 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.7 ppm), 935.07807 ($[M-H_2O-H]^-$, error -1.6 ppm), 801.08036 ($[M-galloyl-H]^-$, error 1.4 ppm), 783.06696 ($[M-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -2.1 ppm), 633.07235 ($[M-HHDP-H_2O-H]^-$, error -1.6 ppm), 481.06275 ($[M-HHDP-galloyl-H]^-$, error 0.8 ppm), 463.05379 ($[M-HHDP-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error 4.3 ppm), 337.02138 ($[chebuloyl-H_2O-H]^-$, error 3.7 ppm), 300.99890 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -0.3 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 2.19 (d, 2H, $J=7.8$ Hz, H_{che-5}), 3.87 (td, 1H, $J=1.5, 7.7$ Hz, H_{che-4}), 4.40 (dd, 1H, $J=6.4, 9.2$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.78 (d, 1H, $J=9.5$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 4.80 (d, 1H, $J=6.2$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 4.95 (d, 1H, $J=7.3$ Hz, H_{che-2}), 5.12 (dd, 1H, $J=1.5, 7.2$ Hz, H_{che-3}), 5.22 (br d, 1H, $J=3.7$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.51 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 5.94 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-3}), 6.51 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-1}), 6.66 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 7.07 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 7.18 (s, 2H, $H_A-3,7$), 7.52 (s, 1H, H_B-3).^{132,145}



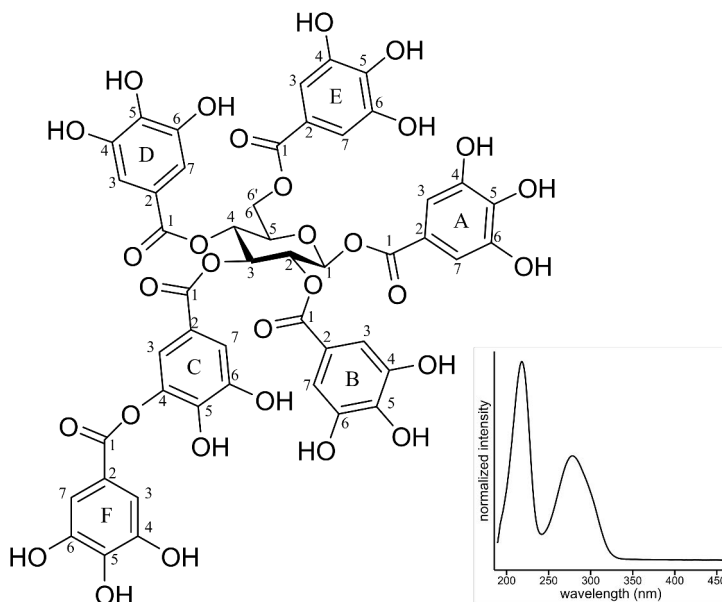
chebulinic acid (23) was isolated from *Terminalia chebula* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 88.3%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 955.10484 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 937.09482 ($[M-H_2O-H]^-$, error -0.5 ppm), 911.11312 ($[M-COOH-H]^-$, error -3.1 ppm), 803.09645 ($[M-galloyl-H]^-$, error 2.0 ppm), 785.08389 ($[M-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -0.5 ppm), 767.07387 ($[M-gallic\ acid-H_2O-H]^-$, error 0.2 ppm), 741.09512 ($[M-gallic\ acid-COOH-H]^-$, error 0.9 ppm), 633.07239 ($[M-galloyl-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -1.5 ppm), 617.07908 ($[M-dehydrated\ chebuloyl-H]^-$, error 1.1 ppm), 465.06725 ($[M-dehydrated\ chebuloyl-galloyl-H]^-$, error -0.5 ppm), 337.02035 ($[chebuloyl-H_2O-H]^-$, error 0.7 ppm), 169.01494 ($[chebuloyl-H_2O-H]^-$, error 4.1 ppm), 125.02551 ($[chebuloyl-H_2O-H]^-$, error 8.7 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 2.26 (d, 1H, $J=4.1$ Hz, $H_{che-5'}$), 2.28 (d, 1H, $J=11.2$ Hz, H_{che-5}), 3.96 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.5, 4.0, 11.2$ Hz, H_{che-4}), 4.72 (m, 1H, H_{glc-5}), 4.75 (m, 1H, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.87 (dd, 1H, $J=7.7, 11.1$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 4.96 (d, 1H, $J=7.1$ Hz, H_{che-2}), 5.09 (br d, 1H, $J=3.5$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.18 (dd, 1H, $J=1.6, 7.1$ Hz, H_{che-3}), 5.48 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 6.35 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-3}), 6.53 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-1}), 7.06 (s, 2H, $H_D-3,7$), 7.22 (s, 2H, $H_A-3,7$), 7.29 (s, 2H, $H_C-3,7$), 7.56 (s, 1H, H_B-3).^{145,146}



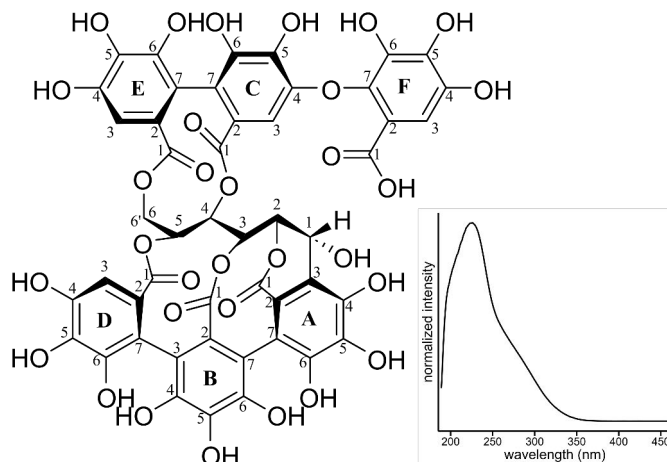
grandinin (24) was received from collaborators (lyxose unit isomerises in acetone solution into pyranose (40.7%), furanose (34.1%), and an undefined isomer (25.2%) of possibly an open chain aldehyde form); purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.3%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1065.10279 ($[M-H]^-$, error -2.2 ppm), 931.07593 ($[M-lyxose-H]^-$, error -8.2 ppm), 300.99794 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error 0.2 ppm); 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, (pyranose, 41%)): δ 3.55 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-1}), 3.81 (d, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $H_{lyx-5''}$), 3.86 (dd, 1H, $J=5.6, 10.9$ Hz, $H_{lyx-5'}$), 3.99 (d, 1H, $J=12.2$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.08 (m, 1H, $H_{lyx-4'}$), 4.12 (td, 1H, $J=3.4, 9.3$ Hz, $H_{lyx-3'}$), 4.42 (d, 1H, $J=3.0$ Hz, $H_{lyx-2'}$), 4.55 (br d, 1H, $J=6.8$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 5.02 (dd, 1H, $J=2.3, 12.9$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.26 (t, 1H, $J=7.0$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.52 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 5.65 (br d, 1H, $J=7.1$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 6.58 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.75 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 7.47 (s, 1H, H_C-3). 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, (furanose, 34%)): δ 3.33 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-1}), 3.91 (d, 1H, $J=5$ Hz, $H_{lyx-5''}$), 3.91 (dd, 1H, $J=6.2$ Hz, $H_{lyx-5'}$), 3.98 (d, 1H, $J=12.5$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.06 (d, 1H, $J=4.5$, $H_{lyx-4'}$), 4.24 (d, 1H, $J=4.7$ Hz, $H_{lyx-2'}$), 4.40 (t, 1H, $J=4.1$ Hz, $H_{lyx-3'}$), 4.64 (br d, 1H, $J=7.1$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 5.08 (dd, 1H, $J=2.6, 13.0$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.17 (t, 1H, $J=7.5$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.61 (br d, 1H, $J=7.8$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.68 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 6.62 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.76 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 7.00 (s, 1H, H_C-3). 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, (undefined isomer, 25%)): δ 3.55 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-1}), 3.81 (d, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $H_{lyx-5''}$), 3.86 (dd, 1H, $J=5.6, 10.9$ Hz, $H_{lyx-5'}$), 3.99 (d, 1H, $J=12.2$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.08 (m, 1H, $H_{lyx-4'}$), 4.12 (td, 1H, $J=3.4, 9.3$ Hz, $H_{lyx-3'}$), 4.42 (d, 1H, $J=3.0$ Hz, $H_{lyx-2'}$), 4.55 (br d, 1H, $J=6.8$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 5.02 (dd, 1H, $J=2.3, 12.9$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.26 (t, 1H, $J=7.0$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.52 (br s, 1H, H_{glc-2}), 5.65 (br d, 1H, $J=7.1$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 6.58 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.75 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 7.47 (s, 1H, H_C-3).^{147,148}



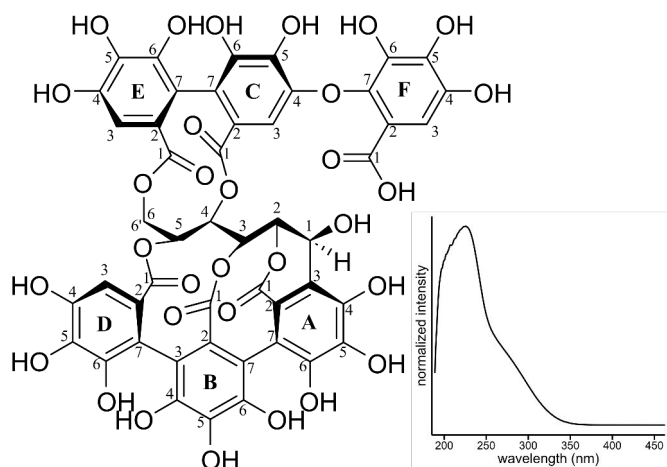
punicalagin (25) was isolated from *Terminalia chebula* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.4%; **ESI-MS identification:** m/z at 1083.05849 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.7 ppm), 781.05230 ($[M-HHDP-H]^-$, error -0.9 ppm), 600.99061 ($[gallagyl\ group-2H_2O-H]^-$, error 1.7 ppm), 300.99900 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error 0.03 ppm); **1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, α -anomer (66%)):** δ 2.10 (dd, 1H, $J=1.3$, 11.0 Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 3.27 (dd, 1H, $J=1.5$, 10.2 Hz, H_{glc-5}), 4.20 (d, 1H, $J=10.7$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 4.76 (dd, 1H, $J=9.3$, 10.0 Hz, H_{glc-4}), 4.80 (dd, 1H, $J=3.6$, 9.7 Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.11 (br d, 1H, $J=3.4$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 5.21 (t, 1H, $J=9.5$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 6.52 (s, 1H, H_A-3), 6.583 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 6.588 (s, 1H, H_B-3), 7.02 (s, 1H, H_D-3). **1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, β -anomer (34%)):** δ 2.17 (dd, 1H, $J=1.6$, 11.2 Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 2.69 (td, 1H, $J=1.6$, 14.8 Hz, H_{glc-5}), 4.17 (d, 1H, $J=10.6$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 4.64 (dd, 1H, $J=8.1$, 9.5 Hz, H_{glc-2}), 4.71 (d, 1H, $J=8.0$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 4.79 (t, 1H, $J=9.2$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 4.87 (t, 1H, $J=9.4$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 6.52 (s, 1H, H_A-3), 6.60 (s, 1H, H_B-3), 6.66 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 7.02 (s, 1H, H_D-3).^{70,149}



hexagalloylglucose (26) was isolated from *Acer platanoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 94.1%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1091.12073 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 939.11323 ($[M-galloyl-H]^-$, error 2.5 ppm), 787.10096 ($[M-2galloyl-H]^-$, error 1.3 ppm), 769.08984 ($[M-galloyl-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error 0.6 ppm), 617.07872 ($[M-2galloyl-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error 0.5 ppm), 465.06592 ($[M-3galloyl-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -3.3 ppm), 447.05851 ($[M-2galloyl-2gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error 3.6 ppm), 313.05631 ($[M-4galloyl-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -0.6 ppm), 169.01303 ($[gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -7.2 ppm), 125.02297 ($[gallic\ acid-COOH-H]^-$, error -11.6 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K (aromatic assignments with an asterisk are not definitive)): δ 4.40 (dd, 1H, $J=4.5, 12.5$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.54 (dd, 1H, $J=1.8, 12.5$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 4.57 (ddd, 1H, $J=2.1, 4.5, 10.2$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.64 (dd, 1H, $J=8.3, 9.7$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 5.67 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 6.02 (t, 1H, $J=9.7$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 6.35 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 7.02 (s, 2H, $H_B-3,7$), 7.07 (s, 2H, $H_D-3,7$), 7.11 (s, 2H, $H_A-3,7$), 7.17 (s, 2H, $H_E-3,7$), 7.24 (s, 2H, $H_F-3,7$), 7.25 (m, 1H, H_C-7^*), 7.30 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, H_C-3^*).^{142,150}

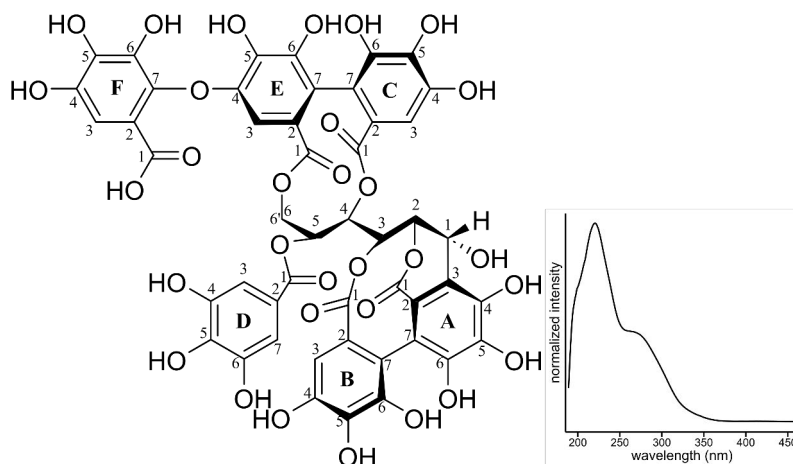


castavalonic acid (27) was isolated from *Quercus robur* acorns; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 91.7%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1101.06605 ($[M-H]^-$, error -3.4 ppm), 1057.07935 ($[M-COOH-H]^-$, error -0.6 ppm), 1039.06839 ($[M-COOH-H_2O-H]^-$, error -1.0 ppm), 933.05853 ($[M-gallic\ acid-H]^-$, error -5.1 ppm), 631.06044 ($[M-valoneoyl\ group-H]^-$, error 4.4 ppm), 425.01432 ($[valoneic\ acid\ dilactone-H_2O-H]^-$, error -1.7 ppm), 300.99864 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -1.2 ppm); ^1H-NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.97 (d, 1H, $J=12.8$ Hz, $H_{glc-6'}$), 4.73 (dd, 1H, $J=1.4, 4.9$ Hz, H_{glc-2}), 4.92 (t, 1H, $J=7.2$ Hz, H_{glc-3}), 5.11 (dd, 1H, $J=2.9, 13.1$ Hz, H_{glc-6}), 5.15 (t, 1H, $J=7.2$ Hz, H_{glc-4}), 5.47 (d, 1H, $J=4.8$ Hz, H_{glc-1}), 5.53 (ddd, 1H, $J=0.8, 2.9, 7.5$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 6.63 (s, 2H, H_C-3 & H_E-3), 6.77 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 7.24 (s, 1H, H_F-3).¹⁵¹

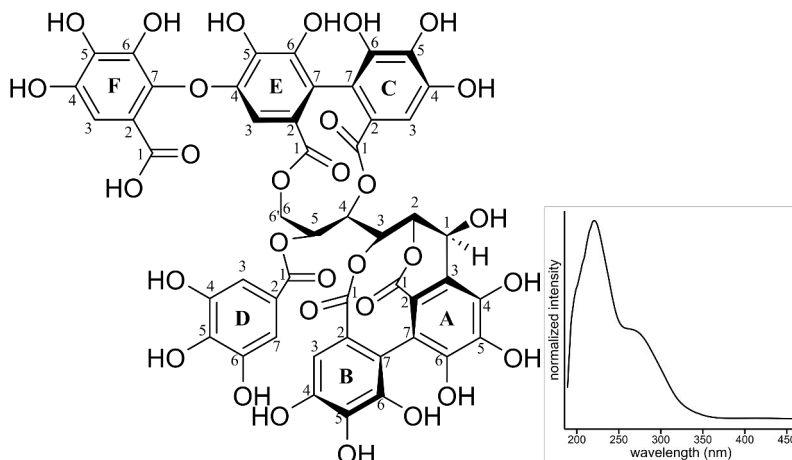


vescavalonic acid (28) was isolated from *Quercus robur* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.6%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1101.06694 ($[M-$

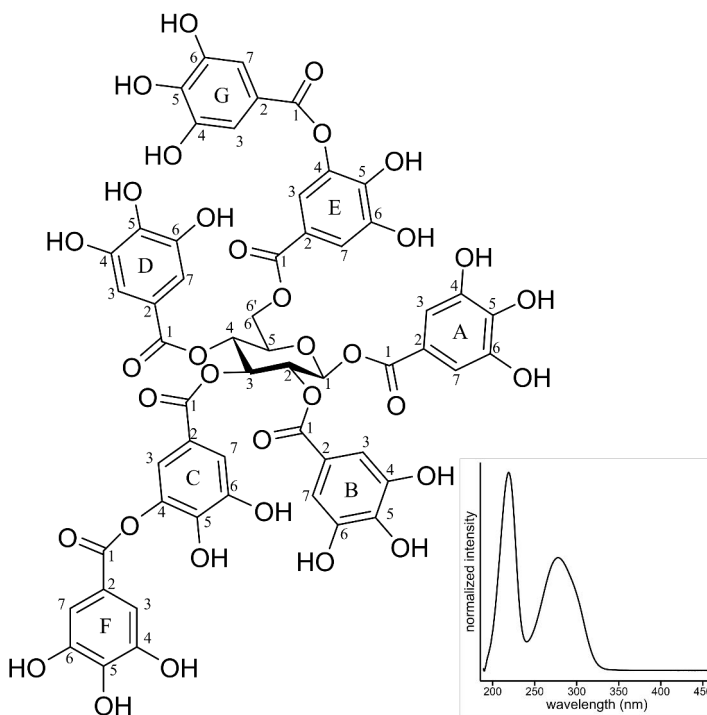
$\text{H}]^-$, error -2.6 ppm), 1083.06042 ($[\text{M}-\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{H}]^-$, error 1.1 ppm), 1039.06982 ($[\text{M}-\text{COOH}-\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{H}]^-$, error 0.4 ppm), 915.05542 ($[\text{M}-\text{gallic acid}-\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{H}]^-$, error 2.2 ppm), 613.04584 ($[\text{M}-\text{valoneoyl group}-\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{H}]^-$, error -2.1 ppm), 425.01169 ($[\text{valoneic acid dilactone}-\text{H}_2\text{O}-\text{H}]^-$, error 6.0 ppm), 300.99875 ($[\text{ellagic acid}-\text{H}]^-$, error -0.8 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.02 (d, 1H, $J=12.4$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-6'}$), 4.62 (dd, 1H, $J=1.3, 6.8$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-3}$), 4.98 (d, 1H, $J=2.1$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-1}$), 5.05 (dd, 1H, $J=2.6, 13.1$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-6}$), 5.18 (br t, 1H, $J=1.7$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-2}$), 5.22 (t, 1H, $J=6.9$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-4}$), 5.63 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.3, 2.3, 7.1$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-5}$), 6.61 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{E}-3}$), 6.76 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{D}-3}$), 7.05 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{C}-3}$), 7.18 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{F}-3}$).



hippophaenin B (29) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 99.9%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1103.08271 ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$, error -2.5 ppm), 1059.09599 ($[\text{M}-\text{COOH}-\text{H}]^-$, error 0.3 ppm), 935.07666 ($[\text{M}-\text{gallic acid}-\text{H}]^-$, error 3.1 ppm), 633.07186 ($[\text{M}-\text{valoneic acid dilactone}-\text{H}]^-$, error -2.3 ppm), 481.06016 ($[\text{M}-\text{valoneic acid dilactone-galloyl}-\text{H}]^-$, error -4.6 ppm), 300.99829 ($[\text{ellagic acid}-\text{H}]^-$, error -2.3 ppm), 169.01476 ($[\text{gallic acid}-\text{H}]^-$, error 3.0 ppm), 125.02515 ($[\text{gallic acid}-\text{COOH}-\text{H}]^-$, error 5.9 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.02 (d, 1H, $J=13.2$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-6'}$), 4.66 (dd, 1H, $J=2.3, 4.9$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-2}$), 4.71 (dd, 1H, $J=3.6, 13.4$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-6}$), 5.27 (dd, 1H, $J=3.2, 9.3$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-5}$), 5.35 (dd, 1H, $J=2.4, 9.2$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-4}$), 5.37 (br t, 1H, $J=2.3$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-3}$), 5.64 (d, 1H, $J=4.9$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}-1}$), 6.25 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{E}-3}$), 6.47 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{B}-3}$), 6.74 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{C}-3}$), 7.04 (s, 2H, $\text{H}_{\text{D}-3,7}$), 7.13 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{F}-3}$).^{152,153}

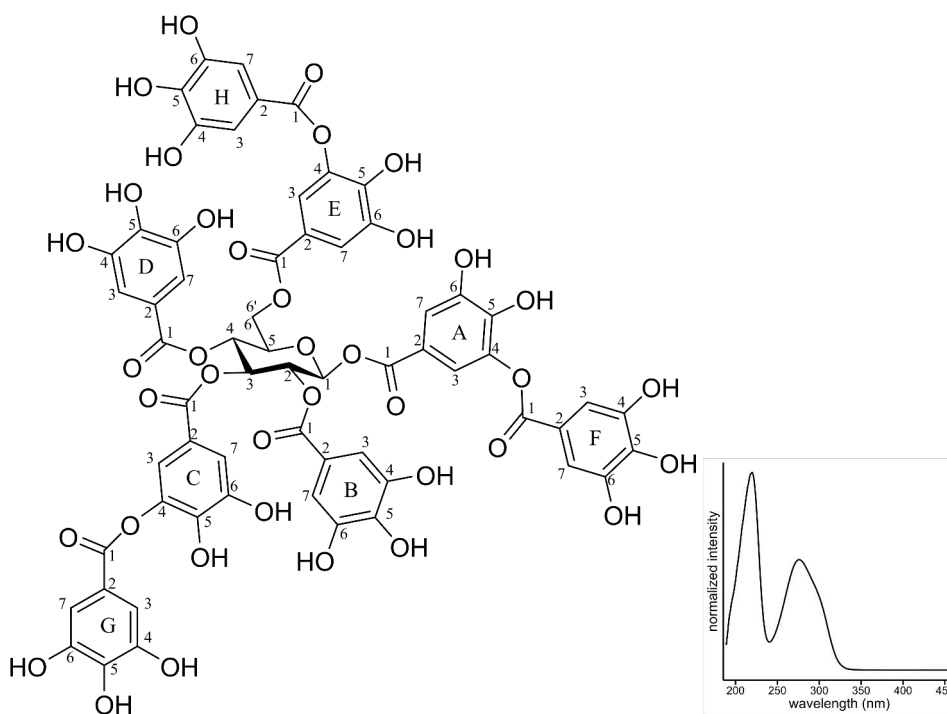


hippophaenin C (30) was isolated from *Hippophaë rhamnoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 96.2%; For the MS and NMR characterization of hippophaenin C see Suvanto *et al.*, 2018.¹⁵⁴



heptagalloylglucose (31) was isolated from *Acer platanoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1243.13075 ($[M-H]^-$, error -1.7 ppm), 1091.11926 ($[M\text{-galloyl-H}]^-$, error -2.4 ppm), 939.11058 ($[M\text{-2galloyl-H}]^-$, error -0.3 ppm), 787.10165 ($[M\text{-3galloyl-H}]^-$

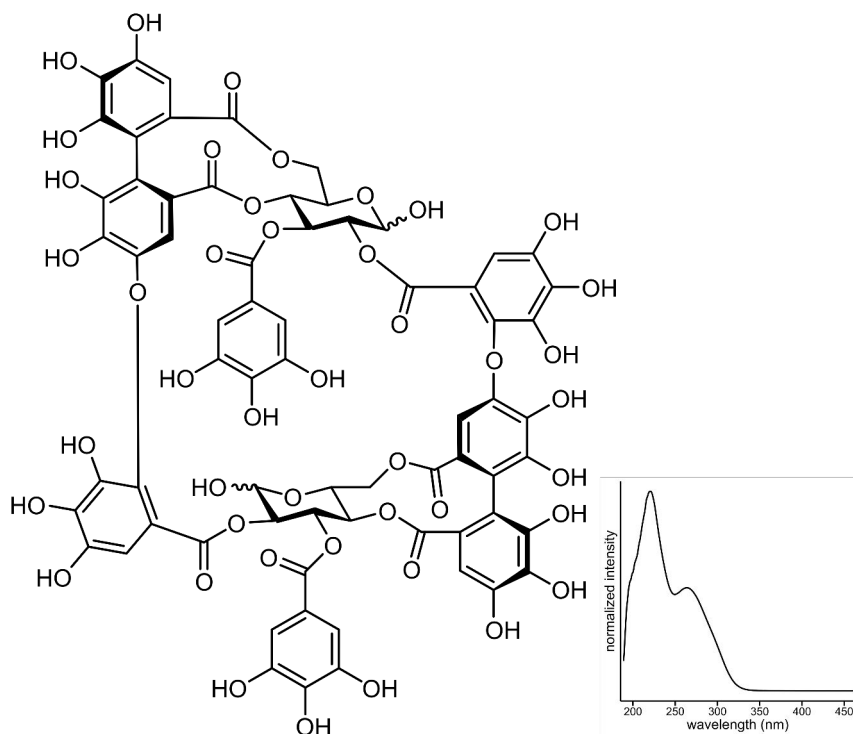
, error -2.2 ppm), 769.09008 ($[M-2\text{galloyl-gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 0.9 ppm), 617.07895 ($[M-3\text{galloyl-gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 0.6 ppm), 465.06737 ($[M-4\text{galloyl-gallic acid-H}]^-$, error -0.2 ppm), 313.05700 ($[M-5\text{galloyl-gallic acid-H}]^-$, error 1.6 ppm), 169.01316 ($[\text{gallic acid-H}]^-$, error -6.4 ppm), 125.02290 ($[\text{gallic acid-COOH-H}]^-$, error -12.1 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K (aromatic assignments with an asterisk are not definitive)): δ 4.47 (dd, 1H, $J=4.8, 12.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$ '), 4.54 (dd, 1H, $J=2.2, 12.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 4.59 (ddd, 1H, $J=2.3, 4.8, 10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.64 (dd, 1H, $J=8.3, 9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.67 (t, 1H, $J=9.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 6.02 (t, 1H, $J=9.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 6.34 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 7.01 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$), 7.06 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{D-3,7}}$), 7.10 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{A-3,7}}$), 7.24 (s, 3H, $H_{\text{F-3,7}}$ & $H_{\text{C-7*}}$), 7.29 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{G-3,7}}$), 7.30 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{C-3*}}$), 7.39 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{E-7*}}$), 7.51 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{E-3*}}$).^{142,150}



octagalloylglucose (32) was isolated from *Acer platanoides* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1395.14564 ($[M-H]^-$, error 1.3 ppm), 169.01319 ($[\text{gallic acid-H}]^-$, error -6.2 ppm), 125.02290 ($[\text{gallic acid-COOH-H}]^-$, error -12.1 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K (aromatic assignments with an asterisk are not definitive)): δ 4.48 (dd, 1H, $J=4.5, 12.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$ '), 4.54 (dd, 1H, $J=2.0, 12.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6}}$), 4.60 (ddd, 1H, $J=2.2, 4.4, 10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5}}$), 5.65 (dd, 1H, $J=8.3, 9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2}}$), 5.69 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4}}$), 6.02 (t, 1H, $J=9.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3}}$), 6.36 (d, 1H, $J=8.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1}}$), 7.02 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$),

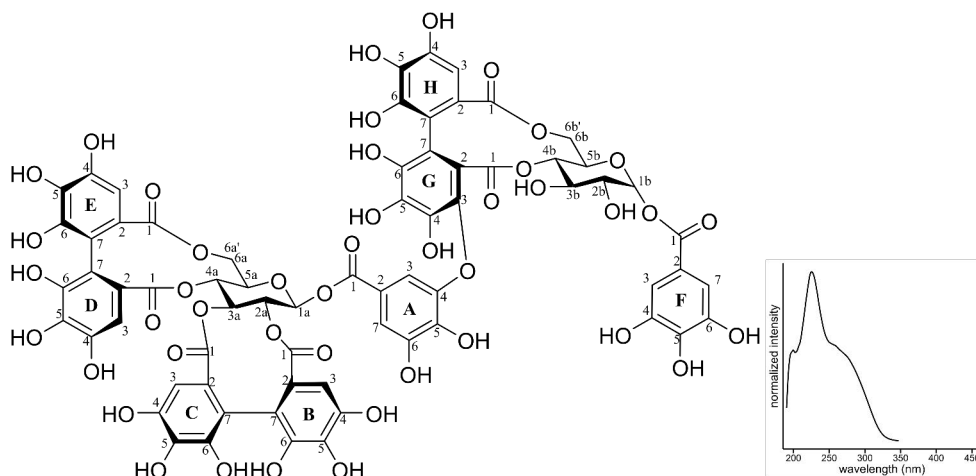
7.06 (s, 2H, $H_{D-3,7}$), 7.24 (s, 3H, $H_{F-3,7}$ & H_{C-7^*}), 7.26 (s, 2H, $H_{H-3,7}$), 7.27 (s, 2H, $H_{G-3,7}$), 7.28–7.55 (m, 5H, H_{C-3^*} , H_{E-3^*} , H_{E-7^*} , H_{A-3^*} & H_{A-7^*}).^{142,150}

gallotannin mixture (33) was isolated from *Acer platanoides* leaves and contains hexa–hexadecagalloylglucoses; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1305.11113 ([hexadecagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error – 0.7 ppm), 1229.10762 ([pentadecagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error 0.8 ppm), 1153.10186 ([tetradecagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error 0.6 ppm), 1077.09562 ([tridecagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error –0.03 ppm), 1001.08905 ([dodecagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error – 1.1 ppm), 925.08349 ([undecagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error –1.3 ppm), 849.07826 ([decagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error –1.1 ppm), 773.07236 ([nonagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error –1.7 ppm), 697.06675 ([octagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error –2.2 ppm), 621.06172 ([heptagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error –1.7 ppm), 545.05607 ([hexagalloylglucose–2H]²⁻, error –2.2 ppm), 169.01301 ([gallic acid–H]⁻, error – 7.4 ppm), 125.02291 ([gallic acid–COOH–H]⁻, error –12.1 ppm).

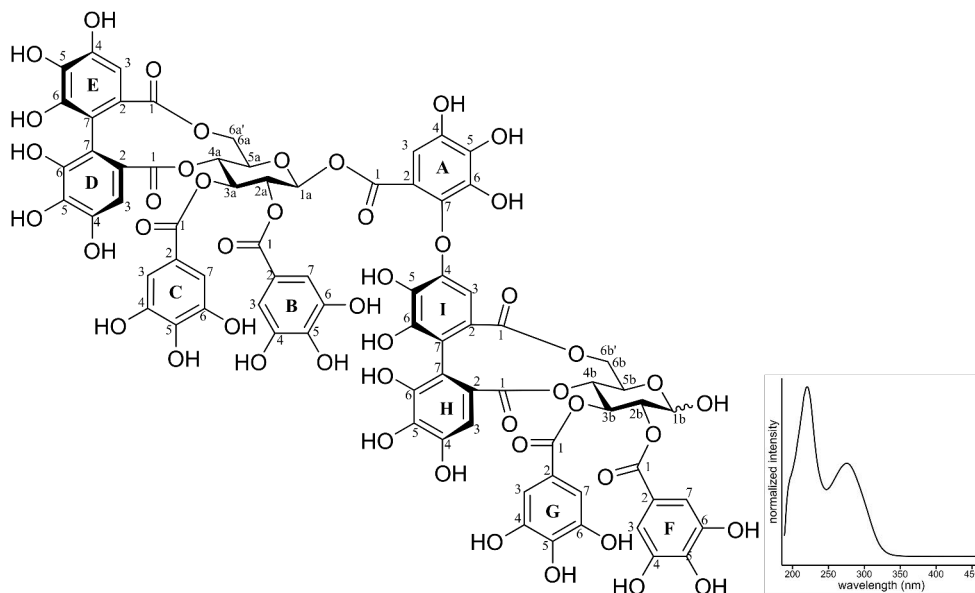


oenothein B (34) was isolated from *Chamaenerion angustifolium* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.6%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1567.14171 ([M–H]⁻, error –1.8 ppm), 935.07645 ([M–galloyl–HHDP–glucose–H]⁻, error –3.3 ppm), 785.08270 ([M–digalloyl–HHDP–glucose–H]⁻, error –2.0 ppm),

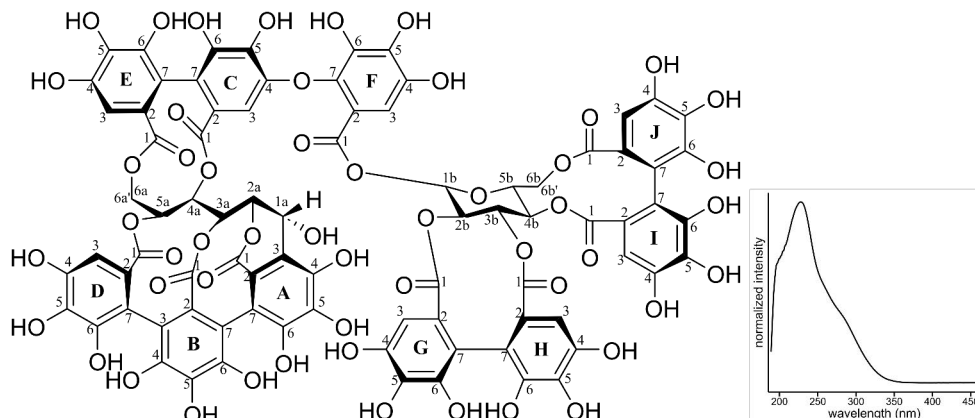
783.06794 ($[M-2H]^{2-}$, error -0.9 ppm), 765.05828 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}_2\text{O-H}]^-$, error 0.3 ppm), 300.99866 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -1.1 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ assignments could not be made reliably due to the two anomeric glucoses producing many isomers and furthermore due to the macrocyclic structure slowing down the broad signal producing interconversions.¹⁵⁵



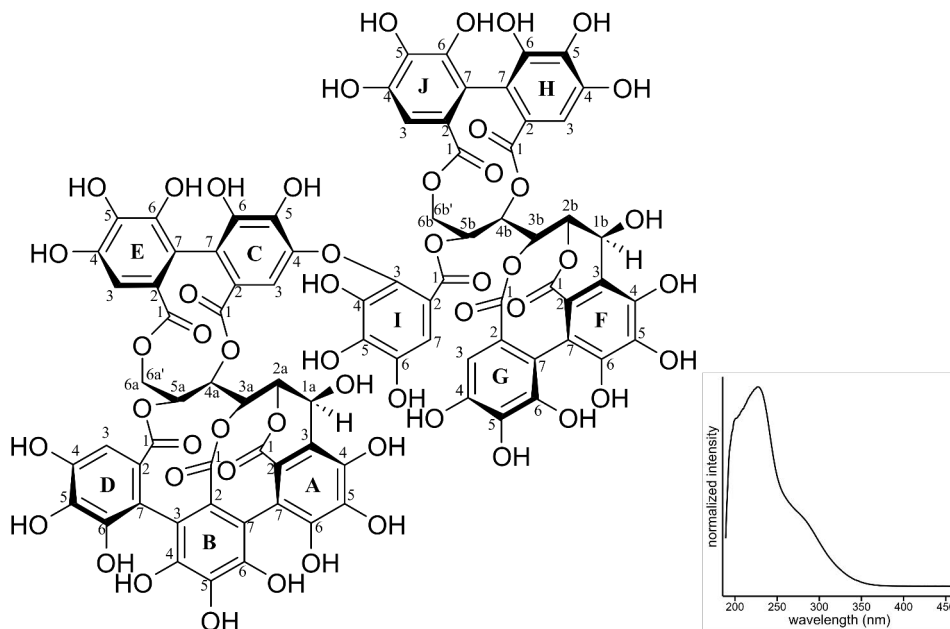
roshenin C (35) was isolated from *Rubus idaeus* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 94.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1567.14663 ($[M-H]^-$, error 2.1 ppm), 1235.07088 ($[M\text{-galloylglucose-H}]^-$, error 0.7 ppm), 933.06674 ($[M\text{-galloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 2.8 ppm), 783.06944 ($[M-2H]^{2-}$, error 0.8 ppm), 633.07306 ($[M\text{-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -0.3 ppm), 300.99928 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error 0.3 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.47 (t, 1H, $J=9.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-5b}$), 3.69 (dd, 1H, $J=4.2, 9.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-2b}$), 3.72 (d, 1H, $J=12.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-6b}'$), 3.73 (m, 1H, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-3b}$), 3.75 (d, 1H, $J=13.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-6a}'$), 4.21 (ddd, 1H, $J=0.9, 6.9, 9.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-5a}$), 4.65 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-4b}$), 5.09 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-4a}$), 5.21 (d, 1H, $J=8.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-2a}$), 5.24 (dd, 1H, $J=6.8, 13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-6a}$), 5.29 (dd, 1H, $J=6.7, 13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-6b}$), 5.35 (dd, 1H, $J=9.5, 10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-3a}$), 6.04 (d, 1H, $J=8.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-1a}$), 6.20 (d, 1H, $J=4.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}\text{-6b}$).¹⁵⁶



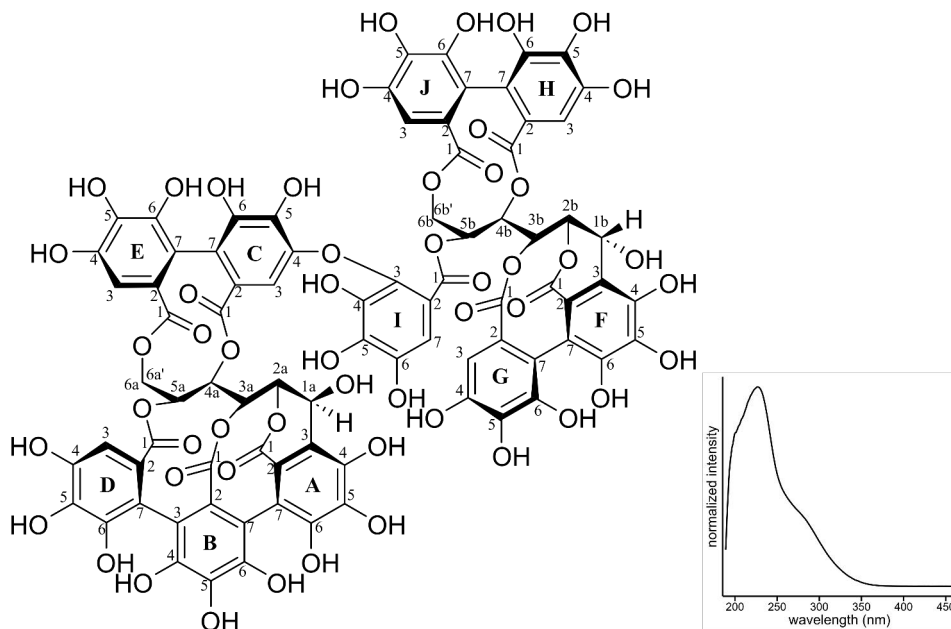
rugosin E (36) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 91.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1721.17009 ($[M-H]^-$, error -0.6 ppm), 937.09636 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 1.2 ppm), 860.08201 ($[M\text{-2H}]^{2-}$, error 0.1 ppm), 785.08544 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 1.5 ppm), 767.07242 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}_2\text{O-H}]^-$, error -1.7 ppm), 300.99898 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -0.03 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, α -anomer (70%)): δ 3.67 (d, 1H, $J=12.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 3.82 (d, 1H, $J=13.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 4.50 (dd, 1H, $J=6.3, 10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5a}}$), 4.64 (dd, 1H, $J=7.2, 9.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5b}}$), 5.06 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4b}}$), 5.14 (dd, 1H, $J=3.7, 10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2b}}$), 5.18 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4a}}$), 5.22 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 12.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 5.32 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 5.55 (d, 1H, $J=3.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1b}}$), 5.56 (dd, 1H, $J=8.8, 9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2a}}$), 5.80 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3a}}$), 5.87 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3b}}$), 6.15 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1a}}$), 6.24 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{I-3}}$), 6.47 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.49 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{H-3}}$), 6.66 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.98 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{F-3,7}}$), 7.021 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{G-3,7}}$), 7.026 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$), 7.16 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{A-3}}$). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K, β -anomer (30%)): δ 3.75 (d, 1H, $J=13.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 3.82 (d, 1H, $J=13.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 4.24 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5b}}$), 4.49 (dd, 1H, $J=6.1, 10.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5a}}$), 5.07 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4b}}$), 5.08 (d, 1H, $J=8.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1b}}$), 5.18 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4a}}$), 5.24 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 12.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 5.27 (dd, 1H, $J=8.0, 9.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2b}}$), 5.32 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 12.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 5.55 (dd, 1H, $J=7.8, 9.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2a}}$), 5.61 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3b}}$), 5.80 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3a}}$), 6.14 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1a}}$), 6.23 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{I-3}}$), 6.466 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{H-3}}$), 6.471 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.66 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.98 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{G-3,7}}$), 7.07 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{F-3,7}}$), 7.02 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$), 7.08 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{C-3,7}}$), 7.16 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{A-3}}$).^{157,158}



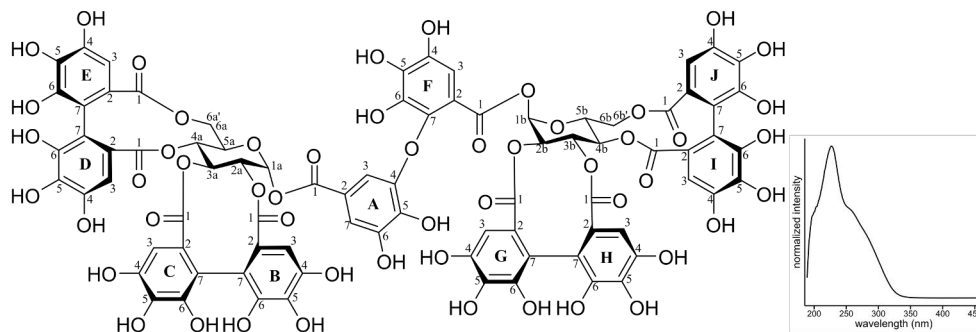
cocciferin D₂ (37) was isolated from *Quercus robur* acorns; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 93.0%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1867.12800 ($[M-H]^-$, error -3.8 ppm), 1567.12757 ($[M-HHDP-H]^-$, error -0.9 ppm), 1101.07569 ($[M-diHHDP-glucose-H]^-$, error 5.3 ppm), 1083.06439 ($[M-diHHDP-glucose-H_2O-H]^-$, error 4.7 ppm), 933.06279 ($[M-2H]^{2-}$, error -1.2 ppm), 933.06589 ($[M-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H]^-$, error 2.1 ppm), 915.05486 ($[M-diHHDP-glucose-H_2O-H]^-$, error 1.6 ppm), 783.06729 ($[M-NHTP-valoneoyl-glucose-H]^-$, error -1.7 ppm), 631.05688 ($[M-diHHDP-valoneoyl-glucose-H]^-$, error -1.3 ppm), 300.99911 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error 0.4 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.86 (d, 1H, $J=12.8$ Hz, $H_{glc-6b'}$), 3.98 (d, 1H, $J=12.9$ Hz, $H_{glc-6a'}$), 4.43 (ddd, 1H, $J=0.9, 6.9, 9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-5b}), 4.77 (dd, 1H, $J=1.2, 4.9$ Hz, H_{glc-2a}), 4.91 (dd, 1H, $J=1.1, 6.9$ Hz, H_{glc-5}), 5.12 (t, 1H, $J=7.3$ Hz, H_{glc-4a}), 5.13 (t, 1H, $J=8.8$ Hz, H_{glc-2b}), 5.14 (dd, 1H, $J=1.8, 12.8$ Hz, H_{glc-6a}), 5.14 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, H_{glc-4b}), 5.31 (dd, 1H, $J=6.8, 13.3$ Hz, H_{glc-6b}), 5.38 (dd, 1H, $J=9.4, 10.0$ Hz, H_{glc-3a}), 5.41 (d, 1H, $J=4.9$ Hz, H_{glc-1a}), 5.55 (dd, 1H, $J=2.2, 7.4$ Hz, H_{glc-3b}), 6.15 (d, 1H, $J=8.6$ Hz, H_{glc-1b}), 6.35 (s, 1H, H_H-3), 6.41 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 6.49 (s, 1H, H_G-3), 6.51 (s, 1H, H_I-3), 6.59 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.68 (s, 1H, H_J-3), 6.78 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 7.27 (s, 1H, H_F-3).⁷¹



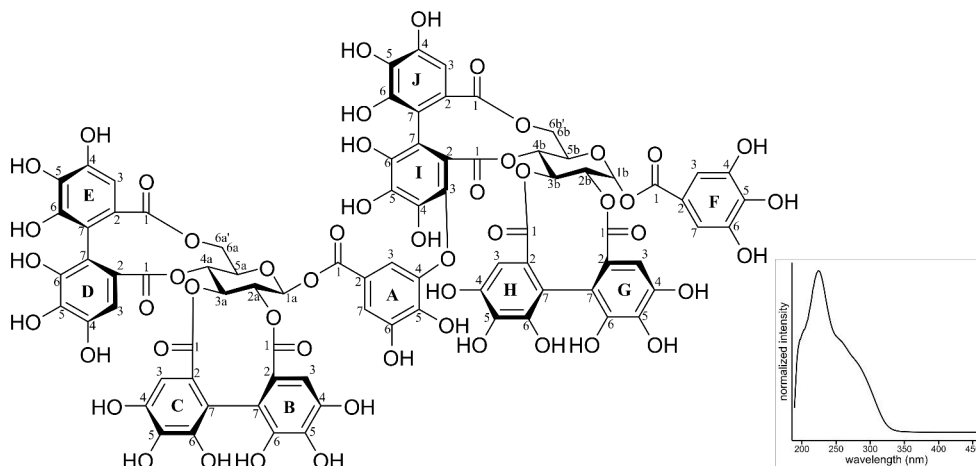
salicarinin A (38) was isolated from *Lythrum salicaria* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 96.0%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1867.13022 ($[M-H]^-$, error -2.7 ppm), 1083.05526 ($[M-\text{diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -3.7 ppm), 933.06297 ($[M-2H]^{2-}$, error -1.1 ppm), 933.06588 ($[M-\text{galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 2.1 ppm), 924.05736 ($[M-H_2O-2H]^{2-}$, error -1.4 ppm), 915.05204 ($[M-2H_2O-2H]^{2-}$, error -1.5 ppm), 915.05429 ($[M-\text{galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}_2O-H]^-$, error -2.7 ppm), 300.99885 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -0.5 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.89 (d, 1H, $J=12.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-6b'$), 3.95 (d, 1H, $J=12.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-6a'$), 4.64 (dd, 1H, $J=1.1, 6.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-3a$), 4.83 (m, 2H, $H_{\text{glc}}-1b$ & $H_{\text{glc}}-2b$), 4.85 (dd, 1H, $J=3.5, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-6b$), 4.927 (t, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-3b$), 4.929 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-1a$), 5.08 (dd, 1H, $J=2.4, 13.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-6a$), 5.14 (br s, 1H, $H_{\text{glc}}-2a$), 5.19 (t, 1H, $J=6.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-4a$), 5.40 (dd, 1H, $J=3.5, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-5b$), 5.55 (dd, 1H, $J=2.5, 8.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-4b$), 5.63 (br d, 1H, $J=6.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc}}-5a$), 6.54 (s, 1H, H_G-3), 6.59 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.62 (s, 1H, H_I-3), 6.78 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 6.83 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 6.86 (s, 1H, H_H-3), 7.07 (s, 1H, H_J-3).¹⁵⁹



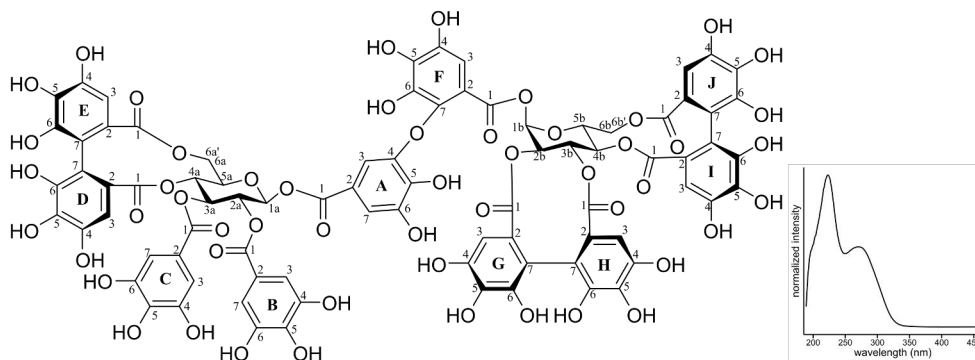
salicarinin B (39) was isolated from *Lythrum salicaria* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 75.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1867.12697 ($[M-H]^-$, error -4.4 ppm), 935.08098 ($[M-NHTP-HHDP-glucose-H]^-$, error 1.5 ppm), 933.06568 ($[M-2H]^{2-}$, error -1.5 ppm), 933.06588 ($[M-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H]^-$, error 1.9 ppm), 924.05744 ($[M-H_2O-2H]^{2-}$, error -1.3 ppm), 915.05408 ($[M-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H_2O-H]^-$, error 0.8 ppm), 300.99897 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -0.1 ppm); 1H -NMR (500 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 4.04 (d, 1H, $J=12.1$ Hz, $H_{glc-6a'}$), 4.21 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $H_{glc-6b'}$), 4.51 (dd, 1H, $J=2.1, 5.0$ Hz, H_{glc-2b}), 4.74 (dd, 1H, $J=3.9, 13.4$ Hz, H_{glc-6b}), 4.89 (dd, 1H, $J=0.9, 6.7$ Hz, H_{glc-3a}), 4.94 (br t, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, H_{glc-3b}), 5.11 (dd, 1H, $J=2.3, 9.2$ Hz, H_{glc-4b}), 5.15 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, H_{glc-1a}), 5.17 (dd, 1H, $J=2.5, 13.4$ Hz, H_{glc-6a}), 5.21 (m, 1H, H_{glc-2a}), 5.22 (t, 1H, $J=6.4$ Hz, H_{glc-4a}), 5.32 (dd, 1H, $J=3.6, 9.3$ Hz, H_{glc-5b}), 5.47 (d, 1H, $J=5.0$ Hz, H_{glc-1b}), 5.69 (br d, 1H, $J=5.8$ Hz, H_{glc-5a}), 6.52 (s, 1H, H_G-3), 6.72 (s, 1H, H_I-3), 6.77 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.78 (s, 1H, H_H-3), 6.82 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 6.94 (s, 1H, H_F-3), 7.01 (s, 1H, H_C-3).¹⁵⁹



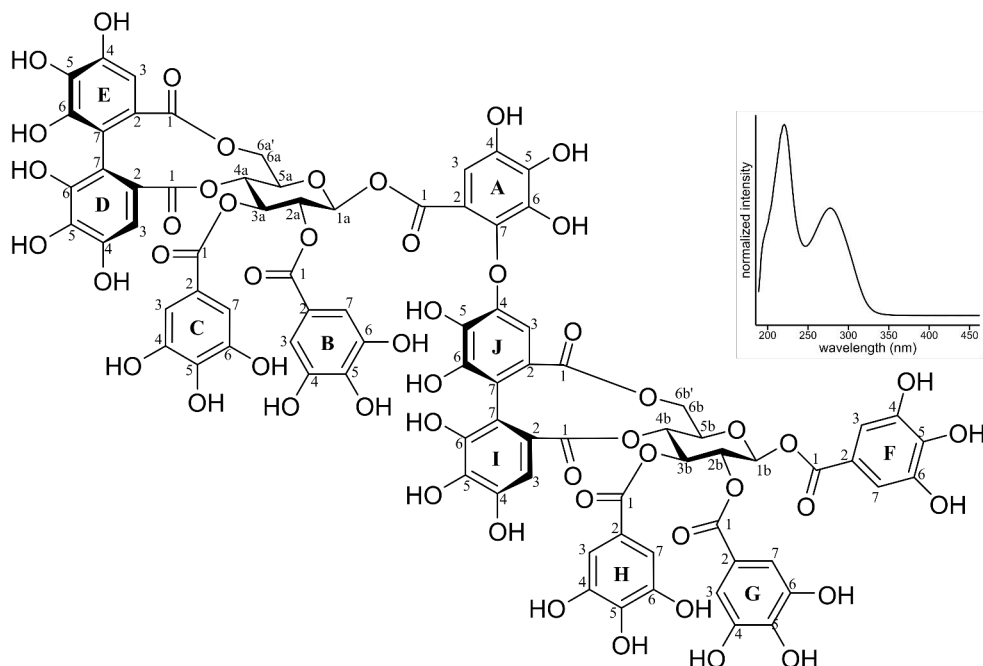
agrimoniin (40) was isolated from *Argentina anserina* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.6%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1869.14605 ($[M-H]^-$, error -2.6 ppm), 1085.07578 ($[M\text{-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 0.8 ppm), 935.07890 ($[M\text{-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -0.8 ppm), 934.07168 ($[M-2H]^{2-}$, error -0.1 ppm), 915.05659 ($[M\text{-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}_2\text{O-H}]^-$, error -0.8 ppm), 783.006953 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}_2\text{O-H}]^-$, error 1.1 ppm), 631.07502 ($[M\text{-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-HHDP-H}]^-$, error 2.7 ppm), 300.99857 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error -1.4 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.69 (d, 1H, $J=13.0$ Hz, $H_{glc-6b'}$), 3.79 (d, 1H, $J=12.8$ Hz, $H_{glc-6a'}$), 4.49 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 10.2$ Hz, H_{glc-5b}), 4.65 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 10.2$ Hz, H_{glc-5a}), 5.16 (t, 1H, $J=10.4$ Hz, H_{glc-4b}), 5.20 (t, 1H, $J=10.3$ Hz, H_{glc-4a}), 5.23 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 13.2$ Hz, H_{glc-6a}), 5.32 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.4$ Hz, H_{glc-6b}), 5.36 (dd, 1H, $J=3.9, 9.5$ Hz, H_{glc-2b}), 5.37 (dd, 1H, $J=3.8, 9.6$ Hz, H_{glc-2a}), 5.49 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-3b}), 5.55 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-3a}), 6.34 (s, 1H, H_H-3), 6.35 (s, 1H, H_C-3), 6.44 (s, 1H, H_G-3), 6.54 (dd, 1H, $J=4.0$ Hz, H_{glc-1a}), 6.55 (s, 1H, H_B-3), 6.56 (dd, 1H, $J=4.0$ Hz, H_{glc-1b}), 6.60 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 6.61 (s, 1H, H_I-3), 6.65 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.66 (s, 1H, H_J-3), 6.94 (d, 1H, $J=1.9$ Hz, H_A-7), 7.30 (s, 1H, H_F-3), 7.39 (d, 1H, $J=1.9$ Hz, H_A-3).¹⁶⁰



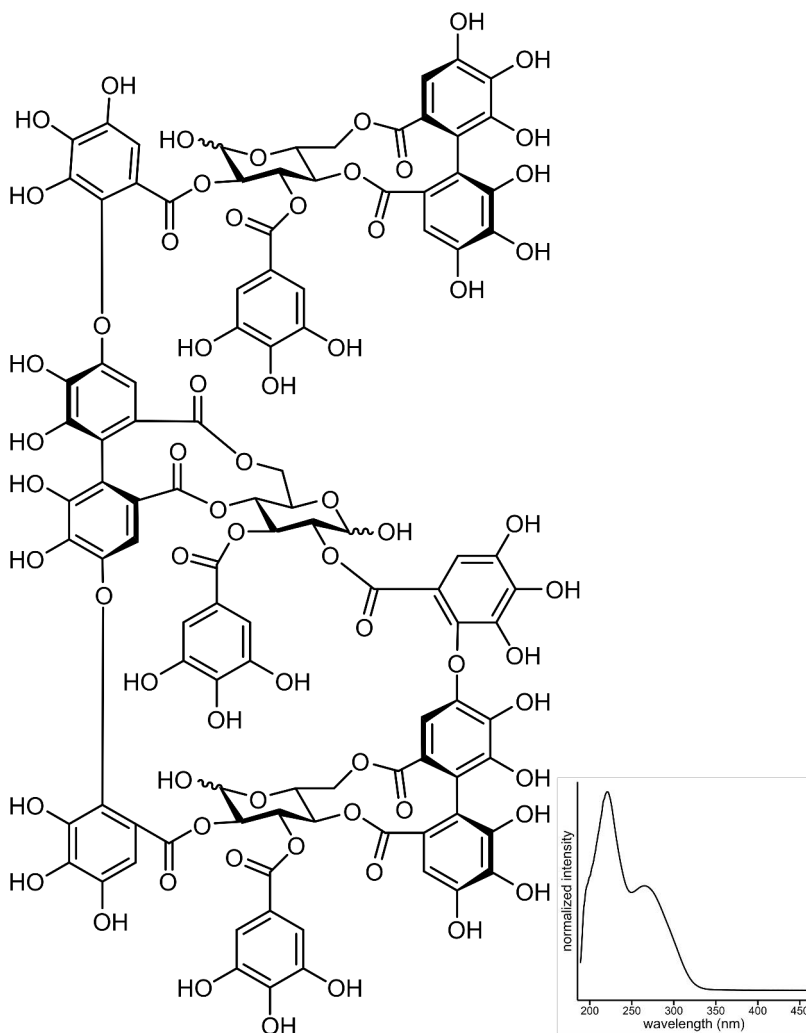
sanguin H-6 (41) was isolated from *Rubus idaeus* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 97.1%; **ESI-MS identification:** m/z at 1869.14662 ($[M-H]^-$, error -2.3 ppm), 1235.06944 ($[M\text{-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -0.6 ppm), 935.07820 ($[M\text{-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -1.5 ppm), 934.07153 ($[M\text{-2H}]^2$, error -0.3 ppm), 633.07401 ($[M\text{-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-HHDP-H}]^-$, error 1.1 ppm), 300.99875 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -0.8 ppm); **$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K):** δ 3.79 (d, 1H, $J=13.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}'}$), 3.90 (d, 1H, $J=12.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}'}$), 4.22 (br t, 1H, $J=7.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5b}}$), 4.36 (dd, 1H, $J=7.0, 9.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5a}}$), 5.02 (br t, 1H, $J=9.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4b}}$), 5.07 (br t, 1H, $J=7.6$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3b}}$), 5.11 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4a}}$), 5.20 (t, 1H, $J=8.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2a}}$), 5.24 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 5.28 (dd, 1H, $J=4.0, 9.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2b}}$), 5.37 (dd, 1H, $J=9.2, 10.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3a}}$), 5.58 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 13.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 6.17 (d, 1H, $J=8.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1a}}$), 6.300 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{H-3}}$), 6.303 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{C-3}}$), 6.38 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{G-3}}$), 6.47 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{B-3}}$), 6.50 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.53 (d, 1H, $J=4.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1b}}$), 6.76 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.78 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{J-3}}$), 7.10 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{F-3,7}}$), 7.14 (d, 1H, $J=1.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{A-7}}$), 7.28 (d, 1H, $J=1.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{A-3}}$).¹³⁸



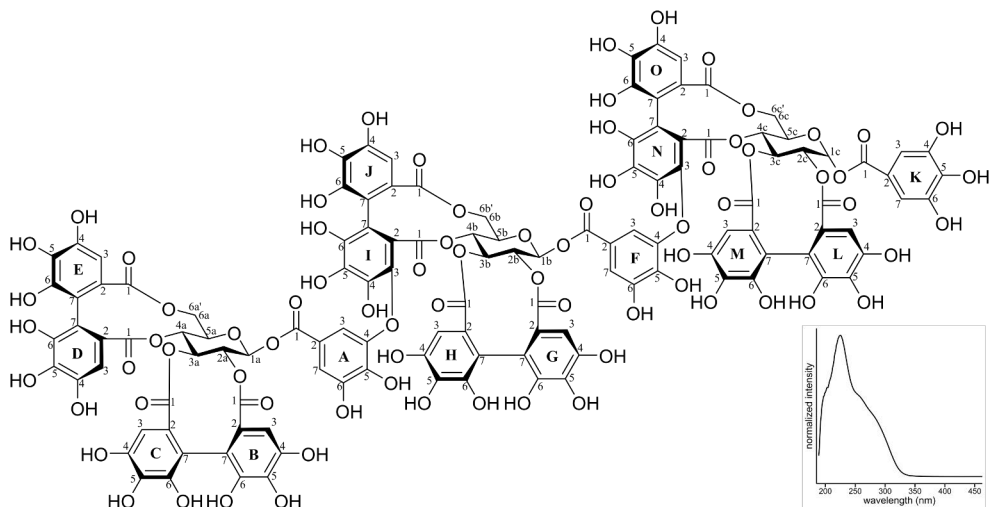
gemin A (42) was isolated from *Geum urbanum* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 96.9%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1871.16171 ($[M-H]^-$, error – 2.6 ppm), 1087.08928 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error –1.2 ppm), 937.09322 ($[M\text{-galloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error –2.1 ppm), 935.07873 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error –0.9 ppm), 935.07866 ($[M\text{-2H}]^{2-}$, error –1.0 ppm), 785.08147 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-diHHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error –3.6 ppm), 783.06924 ($[M\text{-tetragalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 0.8 ppm), 633.07541 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-diHHDP-glucose-galloyl-H}]^-$, error 3.3 ppm), 300.99871 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error – 0.9 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.64 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 3.75 (d, 1H, $J=13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 4.47 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 10.2$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5b}}$), 4.49 (dd, 1H, $J=6.7, 9.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5a}}$), 5.15 (t, 1H, $J=10.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4b}}$), 5.18 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4a}}$), 5.20 (dd, 1H, $J=6.3, 12.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 5.27 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 5.34 (dd, 1H, $J=4.1, 9.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2b}}$), 5.49 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3b}}$), 5.56 (dd, 1H, $J=8.4, 9.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2a}}$), 5.81 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3a}}$), 6.13 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1a}}$), 6.35 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{H-3}}$), 6.44 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{G-3}}$), 6.47 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{I-3}}$), 6.51 (d, 1H, $J=4.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1b}}$), 6.61 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.63 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{J-3}}$), 6.67 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.84 (d, 1H, $J=1.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{A-7}}$), 6.96 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{C-3,7}}$), 7.01 (s, 2H, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$), 7.27 (d, 1H, $J=1.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{A-3}}$), 7.31 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{F-3}}$).¹⁶¹



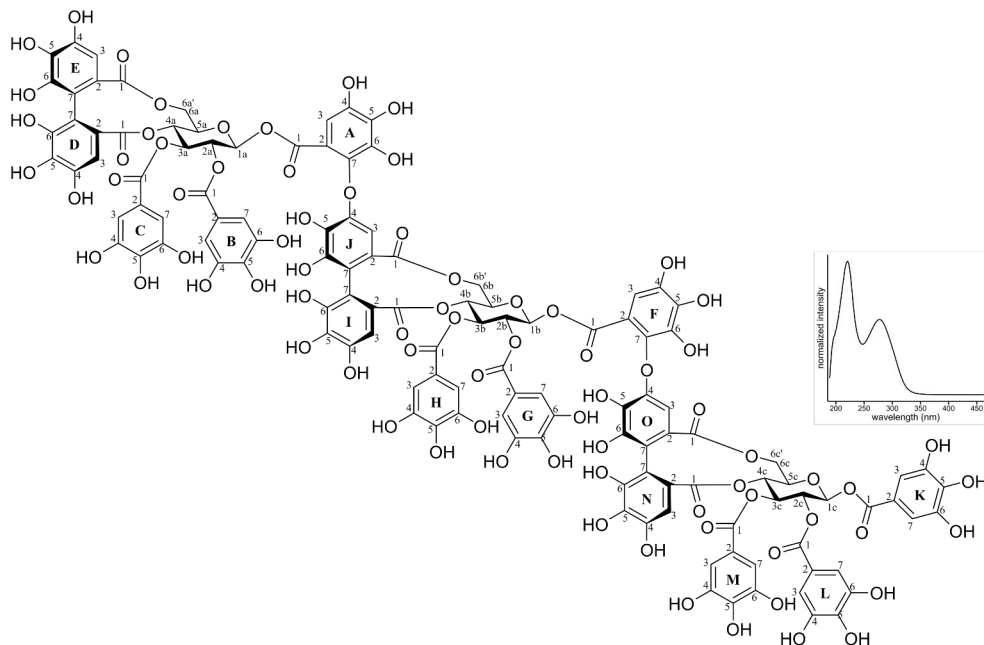
rugosin D (43) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 90.7%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1873.17804 ($[M-H]^-$, error -2.2 ppm), 1087.08719 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -3.1 ppm), 937.09667 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 1.5 ppm), 936.08715 ($[M\text{-2H}]^{2-}$, error -0.3 ppm), 785.08567 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-valoneoyl-glucose-H}]^-$, error 1.8 ppm), 300.99901 ($[ellagic\ acid-H]^-$, error 0.1 ppm); 1H -NMR (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.82 (d, 1H, $J=13.4$ Hz, $H_{glc-6a'}$), 3.79 (d, 1H, $J=13.4$ Hz, $H_{glc-6b'}$), 4.48 (dd, 1H, $J=7.2, 10.0$ Hz, H_{glc-5a}), 4.52 (dd, 1H, $J=6.3, 10.0$ Hz, H_{glc-5b}), 5.166 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, H_{glc-4b}), 5.167 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, H_{glc-4a}), 5.31 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 13.4$ Hz, H_{glc-6b}), 5.32 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.5$ Hz, H_{glc-6a}), 5.54 (dd, 1H, $J=8.4, 9.5$ Hz, H_{glc-2a}), 5.61 (dd, 1H, $J=8.3, 9.5$ Hz, H_{glc-2b}), 5.79 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, H_{glc-3a}), 5.84 (t, 1H, $J=9.7$ Hz, H_{glc-3b}), 6.13 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, H_{glc-1a}), 6.19 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, H_{glc-1b}), 6.24 (s, 1H, H_I-3), 6.47 (s, 1H, H_I-3), 6.49 (s, 1H, H_D-3), 6.66 (s, 1H, H_E-3), 6.98 (s, 2H, $H_B-3,7$), 7.008 (s, 2H, $H_G-3,7$), 7.012 (s, 2H, $H_C-3,7$), 7.02 (s, 2H, $H_H-3,7$), 7.13 (s, 1H, H_F-3), 7.14 (s, 1H, H_A-3).^{157,158}



oenothin A (44) was isolated from *Chamaenerion angustifolium* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 84.5%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1719.15215 ($[M\text{-galloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -2.0 ppm), 1567.14396 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -0.4 ppm), 1175.10645 ($[M\text{-2H}]^{2-}$, error -0.1 ppm), 935.07823 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-valonoeoyl-glucose-H}]^-$, error -1.5 ppm), 785.08300 ($[M\text{-digalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -1.7 ppm), 783.06889 ($[M\text{-3H}]^{3-}$, error 0.3 ppm), 633.07476 ($[M\text{-galloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 2.2 ppm), 300.99868 ($[M\text{-ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -1.0 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ assignments could not be made reliably due to the three anomeric glucoses producing many isomers and furthermore due to the macrocyclic structure slowing down the broad signal producing interconversions.²⁰



lambertianin C (45) was isolated from *Rubus idaeus* leaves; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 98.2%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1567.14103 ($[\text{M}-\text{diHHDP}-\text{valoneoyl}-\text{glucose}-\text{H}]^-$, error -2.3 ppm), 1401.10537 ($[\text{M}-2\text{H}]^{2-}$, error -1.4 ppm), 933.73523 ($[\text{M}-3\text{H}]^{3-}$, error -0.7 ppm), 935.08023 ($[\text{galloyl}-\text{diHHDP}-\text{glucose}-\text{H}]^-$, error 0.7 ppm), 633.07526 ($[\text{galloyl}-\text{HHDP}-\text{glucose}-\text{H}]^-$, error 3.0 ppm), 300.99878 ($[\text{ellagic acid}-\text{H}]^-$, error 0.7 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.83 (d, 1H, $J=13.2$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-6\text{b}'$), 3.88 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-6\text{c}'$), 3.90 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-6\text{a}'$), 4.03 (dd, 1H, $J=6.1, 8.6$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-5\text{b}$), 4.17 (br t, 1H, $J=7.2$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-5\text{c}$), 4.46 (ddd, 1H, $J=1.0, 6.8, 9.8$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-5\text{a}$), 4.94 (m, 2H, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-3\text{b}$ & $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-4\text{b}$), 5.00 (t, 1H, $J=10.2$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-4\text{c}$), 5.09 (t, 1H, $J=8.8$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-3\text{c}$), 5.11 (t, 1H, $J=8.9$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-2\text{b}$), 5.13 (t, 1H, $J=10.1$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-4\text{a}$), 5.17 (t, 1H, $J=8.9$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-2\text{a}$), 5.27 (dd, 1H, $J=4.0, 9.4$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-2\text{c}$), 5.35 (dd, 1H, $J=6.7, 13.3$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-6\text{a}$), 5.44 (dd, 1H, $J=9.3, 10.1$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-3\text{a}$), 5.49 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 13.2$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-6\text{c}$), 5.62 (dd, 1H, $J=6.4, 13.4$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-6\text{b}$), 5.98 (d, 1H, $J=8.5$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-1\text{b}$), 6.17 (d, 1H, $J=8.5$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-1\text{a}$), 6.26 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{M}}-3$), 6.28 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{H}}-3$), 6.34 (s, 2H, $\text{H}_{\text{C}}-3$ & $\text{H}_{\text{D}}-3$), 6.38 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{L}}-3$), 6.52 (d, 1H, $J=3.9$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{glc}}-1\text{c}$), 6.53 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{B}}-3$ & $\text{H}_{\text{G}}-3$), 6.68 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{E}}-3$), 6.78 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{J}}-3$), 6.85 (s, 1H, $\text{H}_{\text{O}}-3$), 7.06 (d, 1H, $J=1.8$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{F}}-7$), 7.11 (s, 2H, $\text{H}_{\text{K}}-3,7$), 7.12 (d, 1H, $J=2.0$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{A}}-7$), 7.16 (d, 1H, $J=1.7$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{A}}-3$), 7.25 (d, 1H, $J=1.5$ Hz, $\text{H}_{\text{F}}-3$).¹³⁸



rugosin G (46) was isolated from *Filipendula ulmaria* flowers; purity measured by UPLC-DAD at 280 nm 90.3%; ESI-MS identification: m/z at 1873.17850 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error -1.9 ppm), 1721.17145 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-galloyl-H}]^-$, error 0.2 ppm), 1404.12780 ($[M\text{-2H}]^2$, error -2.2 ppm), 1087.09079 ($[M\text{-trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-digalloyl-glucose-H}]^-$, error 0.2 ppm), 937.09732 ($[M\text{-2trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-H}]^-$, error 2.2 ppm), 935.75089 ($[M\text{-3H}]^3$, error -0.6 ppm), 785.08538 ($[M\text{-2trigalloyl-HHDP-glucose-galloyl-H}]^-$, error 1.4 ppm), 300.99869 ($[\text{ellagic acid-H}]^-$, error -1.0 ppm); $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (600 MHz, acetone- d_6 , 298 K): δ 3.71 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 3.78 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6c}}$), 3.81 (d, 1H, $J=13.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 4.43 (dd, 1H, $J=6.8, 10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5b}}$), 4.47 (dd, 1H, $J=7.0, 9.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5a}}$), 4.53 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 10.1$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-5c}}$), 5.09 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4b}}$), 5.15 (t, 1H, $J=9.9$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4a}}$), 5.16 (t, 1H, $J=10.0$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-4c}}$), 5.233 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6b}}$), 5.281 (dd, 1H, $J=6.6, 13.7$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6c}}$), 5.31 (dd, 1H, $J=6.5, 13.4$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-6a}}$), 5.53 (dd, 2H, $J=8.5, 9.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2a}}$ & $H_{\text{glc-2b}}$), 5.62 (dd, 1H, $J=8.4, 9.5$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-2c}}$), 5.77 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3b}}$), 5.78 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3a}}$), 5.84 (t, 1H, $J=9.8$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-3c}}$), 6.09 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1b}}$), 6.118 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1a}}$), 6.193 (d, 1H, $J=8.3$ Hz, $H_{\text{glc-1c}}$), 6.22/6.23 (s, 1H each, $H_{\text{J-3}}$ & $H_{\text{O-3}}$), 6.458 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{N-3}}$), 6.462 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{I-3}}$), 6.47 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{D-3}}$), 6.67 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{E-3}}$), 6.97/6.99/7.00 (s, 2H each, $H_{\text{C-3,7}}$ & $H_{\text{H-3,7}}$ & $H_{\text{M-3,7}}$), 7.01/7.02/7.03 (s, 2H each, $H_{\text{B-3,7}}$ & $H_{\text{G-3,7}}$ & $H_{\text{L-3,7}}$), 7.13 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{A-3}}$), 7.150 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{K-3}}$), 7.154 (s, 1H, $H_{\text{F-3}}$).^{157,158}

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-Neil deGrasse Tyson

“Until man duplicates a blade of grass, nature can laugh at his so-called scientific knowledge.”

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