

Supplementary Materials:

Polyphenol-Rich Extracts from *Cotoneaster* Leaves Inhibit Pro-Inflammatory Enzymes and Protect Human Plasma Components Against Oxidative Stress in vitro

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Results

Qualitative UHPLC-PDA-ESI-MS³ profiling of *Cotoneaster* leaf phenolics

The qualitative UHPLC-PDA-ESI-MS³ survey on the *Cotoneaster* leaf extracts revealed the presence of over forty phenolic compounds (Figure 1, Table S1), that were divided into three main groups such as phenolic acids and related quinic acid pseudodepsides, flavonoids, and flavan-3-ol derivatives including procyanidins.

In the group of quinic acid mono- and diesters containing in their structure caffeic and *p*-coumaroyl moieties (**3**, **4**, **6**, **7**, **9**, **12**, **13**, **17**, **21**, **42** and **46**), compounds **3**, **6**, **9**, **13**, **42** and **46** were identified for the first time in the *Cotoneaster* species. Compound **6** was proposed to be a caffeic acid derivative, because its [M-H]⁻ ion at *m/z* 451 yielded the MS² peak at *m/z* 179, typical of caffeic acid moiety. Compounds **9**, **13**, **42** and **46**, eluting after chlorogenic acid (**7**) displayed the parent [M-H]⁻ ions at *m/z* 515, suggesting that all four analytes were dicaffeoylquinic acids. In the case of compounds **9** and **13**, despite the occurrence of some MS² fragments characteristic for dicaffeoylquinic acids, their MS fragmentation pattern was not characteristic enough to assign to any particular structure [1]. On the other hand, the MS² base peak of **42** and **46** at *m/z* 353, produced by the loss of a caffeoyl moiety [M-H-caffeooyl]⁻, and its subsequent fragmentation evaluated by the hierarchical key [1], allowed for identification of compounds **45** and **46** as 3,5- and 4,5-O-dicaffeoylquinic acids, respectively. The peak **3**, also displaying the parent [M-H]⁻ ion at *m/z* 515, was eluted much earlier than those of dicaffeoylquinic acids (**9**, **13**, **42**, **46**) and chlorogenic acid (**7**). In addition to the fragments characteristic of monocaffeoylquinic acids, the MS² spectrum of this compound yielded fragments at *m/z* 353 ([M-H-162]⁻, loss of a hexose residue) and 341 ([M-H-174]⁻, loss of a quinic acid moiety). This fragmentation pattern pointed to a glycosylated monocaffeoylquinic acid, which might correspond to 1 or 5-O-caffeooylquinic acid hexoside [1]. The fact, that 5-O-caffeooylquinic acid (chlorogenic acid) was the major isomer in the tested extracts, permitted tentative identification of compound **3** as 5-O-caffeooylquinic acid hexoside.

Compounds **1**, **2** and **10**, detected only in DEF fractions were identified by comparison with reference standards and literature data [2] as protocatechuic, *p*-hydroxybenzoic and caffeic acids.

Among flavan-3-ols and procyanidins, seventeen individuals were found (**5**, **8**, **11**, **14-16**, **18-20**, **22-25**, **27**, **28**, **35** and **36**), among which (−)-epicatechin (**18**), procyanidins B-2 (**15**) and C-1 (**23**) clearly dominated, especially in the DEF and EAF fractions. In this group, seven analytes displaying parent ([M-H]⁻ ions at *m/z* 577 (**5**, **11**, **14**, **19**, **22**, **24**) or at *m/z* 1153 (**20**) and the relevant MS² and MS³ fragments corresponding to B-type procyanidin di- and tetramers, respectively [3] were identified in the analyzed *Cotoneaster* species for the first time. Additionally, compound **36** was proposed to be proanthocyanidin derivative, because its parent [M-H]⁻ ion at *m/z* 483 yielded the MS² fragment at *m/z* 289, characteristic for epicatechin.

Of the compounds classified as flavonoids (**26**, **30-34**, **38-41**, **43-45** and **47**), all analytes were found to be quercetin or kaempferol mono- and diglycosides. Compounds **26**, **32**, **33**, **34**, **41** and **47** were identified with authentic standards as quercetin 3-O-β-(2''-O-β-xylosyl)-galactoside, hyperoside, rutin, isoquercitrin, quercitrin, and quercetin, respectively. Among three compounds identified in the

Cotoneaster genus for the first time, **38** with the parent [M–H]⁻ ion at *m/z* 433 was suggested to be quercetin pentoside, while compound **39** with the [M–H]⁻ ion at *m/z* 447 was classified as kaempferol hexoside. Compound **45** with [M–H]⁻ ion at *m/z* 593 was tentatively characterized as quercetin dirhamnoside.

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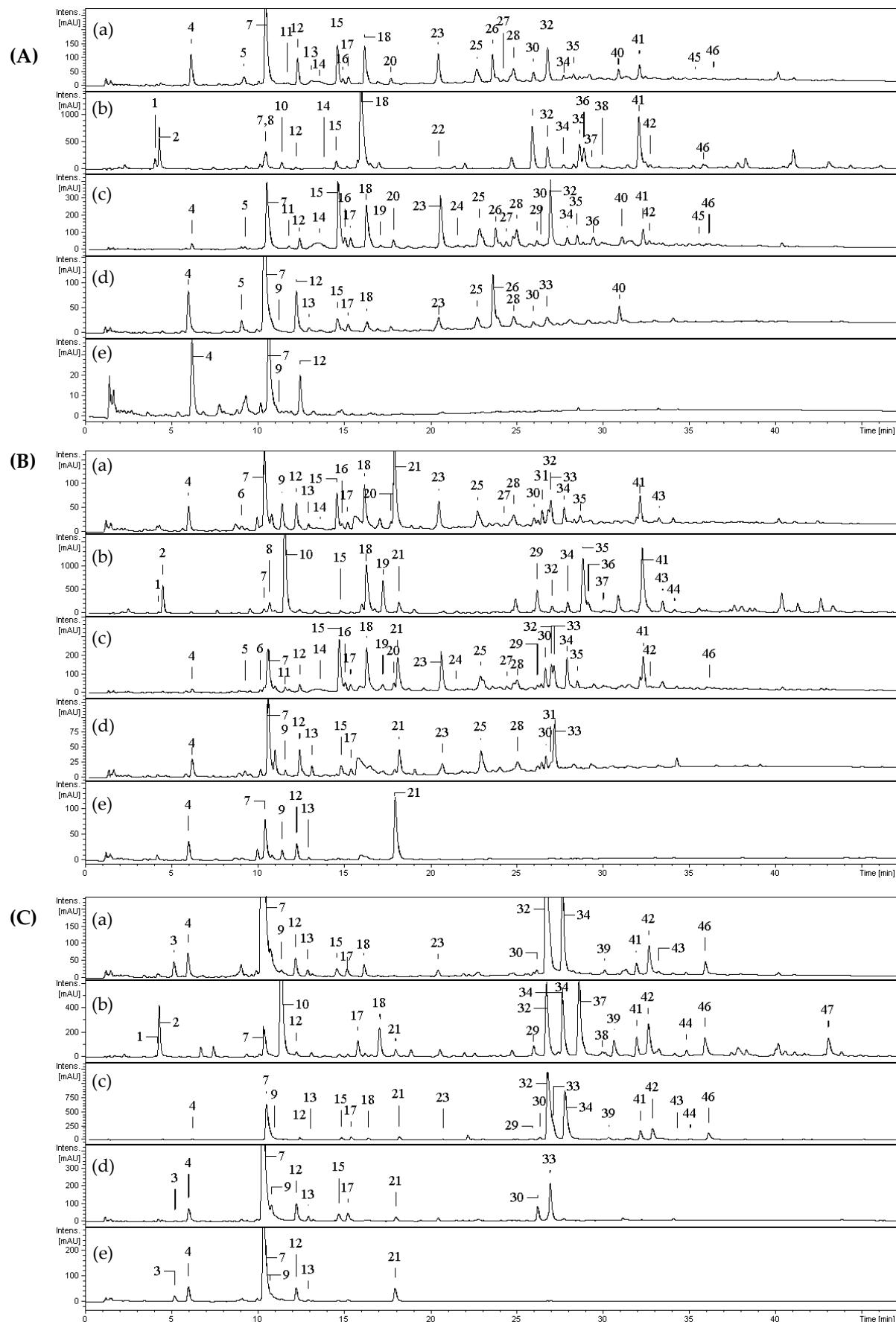


Figure S1. The UHPLC-UV chromatograms of the leaf extracts of *C. bullatus* (A), *C. zabelii* (B) and *C. integrerrimus* (C) at 280 nm. Extracts: (a) MED, defatted methanol-water (7:3, v/v) extract; (B) DEF, diethyl-ether fraction; (c) EAF, ethyl acetate fraction; (d) BF, *n*-butanol fraction; (e) WR, water residue.

Table S1. UHPLC-PDA-ESI-MS³ data of polyphenols identified in the fractionated dry extracts of *Cotoneaster* leaves.

Pea k	Analyte	R _t ^c (min)	UV λ _{max} ^d (nm)	Formula	[M-H] ^{-e} (m/z)	Fragmentary ions (% relative abundance)	Extracts ^f				
							MED	DEF	EAF	BF	WR
1	protocatechuic acid ^{a,b}	4.4	260, 293	C ₇ H ₆ O ₄	153	MS ² : 153(100)			B, Z, I		
2	p-hydroxybenzoic acid ^{a,b}	4.7	254	C ₇ H ₆ O ₃	137	MS ² : 93(40)			B, Z, I		
3	caffeooylquinic acid hexoside ^b	5.4	325	C ₂₅ H ₂₄ O ₁₂	515	MS ² : 379(69), 353(29), 341 (20), 191(23) MS ³ [353]: 191(84)	I			I	I
4	3-O-caffeooylquinic acid (neochlorogenic acid) ^a	6.1	325	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₉	353	MS ² : 191(100), 179(40), 135(5)	B, Z, I		B, Z, I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I
5	procyanidin dimer B-type ^b	9.0	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 451(33), 425(100), 407(65), 289(26) MS ³ [425]: 407(88), 273(10)	B		B, Z	B	
6	caffeic acid derivative ^b	9.7	325		451	MS ² : 405 (100), 179 (7)	Z		Z		
7	5-O-caffeooylquinic acid (chlorogenic acid) ^a	10.4	325	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₉	353	MS ² : 191(96), 179(3)	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	
8	(+)-catechin ^a	10.4	280	C ₁₅ H ₁₄ O ₆	289	MS ² : 245 (100), 205 (41)		B, Z			
9	dicaffeooylquinic acid isomer ^b	11.1	325	C ₂₅ H ₂₄ O ₁₂	515	MS ² : 395(22), 379(100), 285(8)	Z, I		I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I
10	caffeic acid ^{a,b}	11.6	325	C ₉ H ₈ O ₄	179	MS ² : 135(87)		B, Z, I			
11	procyanidin dimer B-type ^b	11.7	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 451(17), 425(100), 407 (64), 289(15) MS ³ [425]: 407(100), 273(11)	B		B, Z		
12	4-O-caffeooylquinic acid ^a (cryptochlorogenic acid)	12.3	325	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₉	353	MS ² : 191(28), 179(61), 173 (100)	B, Z, I	B, I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I
13	dicaffeooylquinic acid isomer ^b	12.8	325	C ₂₅ H ₂₄ O ₁₂	515	MS ² : 395(16), 379(100), 285(67)	B, Z, I		I	B, Z, I	Z, I
14	procyanidin dimer B-type ^b	13.5	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 451(44), 425(100), 407(64), 289(15) MS ³ [425]: 407(100), 273(6)	B, Z	B	B, Z		
15	procyanidin B2 ^a	14.6	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 451(27), 425(100), 407(41), 289(8) MS ³ [425]: 407(100), 273(4)	B, Z, I	B, Z	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	
16	procyanidin trimer B-type	15.0	280	C ₄₅ H ₃₈ O ₁₈	865	MS ² : 739(93), 713(58), 695(87), 577(20) MS ³ [713]: 695(76), 425(73), 407(100)	B, Z		B, Z		
17	5-p-coumaroylquinic acid	15.3	310	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₈	337	MS ² : 191(100), 163(5)	B, Z, I	I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	
18	(-)epicatechin ^a	16.1	280	C ₁₅ H ₁₄ O ₆	289	MS ² : 245(100), 205(22), 179(13), 137(5)	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	B, Z, I	B
19	procyanidin dimer B-type ^b	17.2	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 451(15), 425(100), 407(19), 289(24)		Z	B, Z		
20	procyanidin tetramer B-type ^b	17.7	280	C ₆₀ H ₅₀ O ₂₄	1153	MS ² : 1027(47), 863(72), 739(14), 501(60), 491(81), 289(100)	B, Z		B, Z		
21	caffeic acid derivative	18.2	290, 328		613	MS ² : 457(6), 339(14), 295(100), 179(16)	Z	Z, I	Z, I	Z, I	Z, I
22	procyanidin dimer B-type ^b	20.3	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 451(17), 425(100), 407(59), 289(20) MS ³ [425]: 407(100), 273(12)		B			
23	procyanidin C1 ^a	20.4	280	C ₄₅ H ₃₈ O ₁₈	865	MS ² : 713(51), 695(100), 577(26) MS ³ [713]: 695(100), 425(32), 407(36)	B, Z, I		B, Z, I	B, Z	

24	procyanidin dimer B-type ^b	21.4	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 425(91), 407(72), 289(100) MS ³ [425]: 407(100), 273(4)	B, Z	
25	procyanidin tetramer B-type	22.9	280	C ₆₀ H ₅₀ O ₂₄	1153	MS ² : 1027(25), 863(69), 739(3), 501(51), 491(39), 289(100)	B, Z	B, Z
26	quercetin 3-O-β-(2''-O-β-xylosyl)galactoside ^a	23.6	268, 355	C ₂₆ H ₂₈ O ₁₆	595	MS ² : 463(9), 445(15), 301(100)	B	B
27	procyanidin tetramer B-type	24.3	280	C ₆₀ H ₅₀ O ₂₄	1153	MS ² : 1027(17), 863(94), 739(14), 501(100), 491(71), 289(97)	B, Z	B, Z
28	procyanidin dimer hexoside	24.9	280	C ₃₆ H ₃₆ O ₁₇	739	MS ² : 587(100), 577(12), 451(18), 289(32)	B, Z	B, Z
29	unidentified compound	26.1	280		451	MS ² : 341(100), 217(4)	B, Z, I	B, I
30	quercetin rhamnoside-hexoside	26.4	255, 355	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₆	609	MS ² : 447(7), 343(12), 301(100) MS ³ [447]: 301(100)		B, Z, I
31	quercetin dirhamnoside	26.6	255, 350	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₅	593	MS ² : 447(100), 301(45) MS ³ [447]: 301(100)	Z	Z
32	hyperoside (quercetin 3-O-β-galactoside) ^a	26.9	255, 353	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₂	463	MS ² : 301(100)	B, Z, I	B, Z, I
33	rutin (quercetin 3-O-β-(6''-O-α-rhamnosyl)-glucoside) ^a	27.3	265, 350	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₆	609	MS ² : 463(1), 343(6), 301(100)	Z	Z, I
34	isoquercitrin (quercetin-O-β-glucoside) ^a	27.9	275, 350	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₂	463	MS ² : 301(100)	B, Z, I	B, Z, I
35	procyanidin dimer B-type	28.5	280	C ₃₀ H ₂₆ O ₁₂	577	MS ² : 425(100), 407(51), 289(16)	B, Z	B, Z
36	proanthocyanidin derivative ^b	28.8	280		483	MS ² : 451(61), 341(42), 289(100), 245(4)	B, Z	B
37	unidentified compound	29.0	280		451	MS ² : 341(91), 299(100), 189(22), 177(23)	B, Z, I	
38	quercetin pentoside ^b	30.2	275, 350	C ₂₀ H ₁₈ O ₁₁	433	MS ² : 301(100), 179(4)	B, I	
39	kaempferol hexoside ^b	30.5	265, 350	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁	447	MS ² : 285(100)	I	I
40	quercetin rhamnoside-hexoside	31.0	265, 355	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₆	609	MS ² : 447(9), 301(100)	B	B
41	quercitrin (quercetin 3-O-β-rhamnoside) ^a	32.2	275, 350	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁	447	MS ² : 301(100)	B, Z, I	B, Z, I
42	3,5-O-dicaffeoylquinic acid ^b	32.9	325	C ₂₅ H ₂₄ O ₁₂	515	MS ² : 447(19), 379(57), 353(100) MS ³ [353]: 191(100), 179(35)	I	B, I
43	quercetin hexoside derivative	33.3	265, 355	C ₂₃ H ₂₂ O ₁₃	505	MS ² : 463(24), 337(26), 301(100)	Z, I	Z
44	quercetin hexoside derivative	34.7	265, 355	C ₂₃ H ₂₂ O ₁₃	505	MS ² : 463(31), 373(4), 301(100)	Z, I	I
45	quercetin dirhamnoside ^b	35.3	365, 355	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₅	593	MS ² : 447(11), 301(100)	B	B
46	4,5-O-dicaffeoylquinic acid isomer ^b	36.3	325	C ₂₅ H ₂₄ O ₁₂	515	MS ² : 379(90), 353(100), 299(8), 203(14) MS ³ [353]: 191(37), 179(69), 173(100)	I, B	B, I
47	quercetin ^{a, b}	43.2	256, 365	C ₁₅ H ₁₀ O ₇	301	MS ² : 273(11), 179(100), 151(66), 107(5)	Z, I	

^a Analytes identified with authentic standards. ^b Compounds identified in the *Cotoneaster* extracts for the first time. ^c R_t, retention time. ^d UVmax, absorbance maxima in PDA spectra. ^e [M-H]⁻; pseudomolecular ion in MS spectra recorded in a negative mode. ^f MED, methanol-water (7:3, v/v) extract; DEF, diethyl-ether fraction; EAF, ethyl acetate fraction; BF, n-butanol fraction; WR, water residue; **B**, *C. bullatus*; **Z**, *C. zabelii* and **I**, *C. integrerrimus*.

Table S2. Correlation coefficients (*r*) of the linear relationships between antioxidant activity parameters and the content of particular groups of phenolics in the investigated *Cotoneaster* extracts.

Group of phenolics	Chemical model				Human plasma model				Enzyme inhibition	
	DPPH (mmol TX/g)	FRAP (mmol TX/g)	3NT (nmol/mg)	LOOH (nmol/mg)	TBARS (μmol/mL)	DPPH (μM TX)	FRAP (mM Fe ²⁺)	HYAL	LOX	
TPC (mg GAE/g dw)	0.9706***	0.9622***	-0.6541	0.0948	-0.6154	0.7823*	0.6009	-0.4228	-0.8403***	
TFC (mg/g dw)	0.2386	0.4378	-0.0211	-0.1395	0.5604	0.2394	0.2103	0.3407	-0.3416	
TAC (mg/g dw)	0.0012	0.2457	0.4858	-0.1351	0.6621	-0.2518	-0.1496	0.1116	-0.2599	
TPA (mg CYE/g dw)	0.5088	0.1160	0.2312	0.7432*	-0.1747	-0.2562	-0.2919	-0.4071	-0.4707	
TLPA (mg/g dw)	0.6645**	0.7240**	-0.8784**	-0.3891	-0.8675**	0.7263*	0.6080	-0.2326	-0.3326	

Activity and quantitative parameters according to Tables 1, 2 and Figures 2, 3. Asterisks mean statistical significance of the estimated linear relationships (**p* < 0.05,

p* < 0.01, *p* < 0.001).

Table S3. Statistically significant multiple regression models for activity parameters based on the content of particular groups of phenolics in the *Cotoneaster* extracts.

Activity parameter	Statistically significant coefficients (<i>p</i>)					Parameters of the model		
	Y-intercept	TFC	TAC	TPA	TLPA	adj. R ²	F-value	p-value
DPPH (mmol TX/g) ^a	-	0.0055 (0.0290)	0.0114 (0.0187)	0.0092 (0.0000)	0.0136 (0.0000)	0.9683	115.75	0.0000
FRAP (mmol TX/g) ^a	-	0.0073 (0.0329)	0.0228 (0.0019)	0.0068 (0.0005)	0.0185 (0.0000)	0.9591	89.09	0.0000
LOX (nmol/mL) ^a	608.9 (0.0000)	-	-2.705 (0.0058)	-0.9297 (0.0026)	-0.8006 (0.0301)	0.5806	7.46	0.0053
DPPH (μM TX) ^b	0.4536 (0.0000)	-	-	-	0.0002 (0.0267)	0.4601	7.817	0.0267
TBARS (μmol/mL) ^b	0.0442 (0.0000)	-	-	-	-0.00002 (0.0024)	0.7172	21.29	0.0024
3-NT (nmol/mg) ^b	2.3414 (0.0000)	-	-	-	-0.0023 (0.0018)	0.7390	23.66	0.0018
LOOH (nmol/mg) ^b	0.6243 (0.0008)	-	-	0.0013 (0.0217)	-	0.4884	8.64	0.0217

Activity and quantitative parameters according to Tables 1, 2 and Figures 2, 3; the activity parameters from ^a the chemical and ^b the human plasma tests;

adj. R², R² adjusted for number of predictors in the model; F-value, F-test for overall significance