

# Can Leaves and Stems of *Rubus idaeus* L. Handle *Candida albicans* Biofilms?

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**Abstract:** *Candida albicans* is an opportunistic pathogen involved in many infections, especially linked to implanted medical devices. Its ability to form biofilms complicates the treatment of these infections as few molecules are active against sessile *C. albicans*. The aim of this study was to evaluate the potential of leaves, three-month-old and one-year-old stems of *Rubus idaeus* L. against *C. albicans* biofilm growth. Extractions with a polarity gradient were carried out on hydroacetic extracts and followed by fractionation steps. The obtained extracts and fractions were tested for their anti-biofilm growth activity against *C. albicans* using XTT method. Compounds of active subfractions were identified by LC-MS. The hexane extracts from leaves and stems were the most active against the fungus with IC<sub>50</sub> at 500 and 250 µg/mL. Their bioguided fractionation led to 4 subfractions with IC<sub>50</sub> between 62.5 and 125 µg/mL. Most of the components identified in active subfractions were fatty acids and terpenoids.

**Keywords:** *Rubus idaeus* L.; raspberry; *Rosaceae*; *Candida albicans*; anti-biofilm; bioguided fractionation; stems and leaves

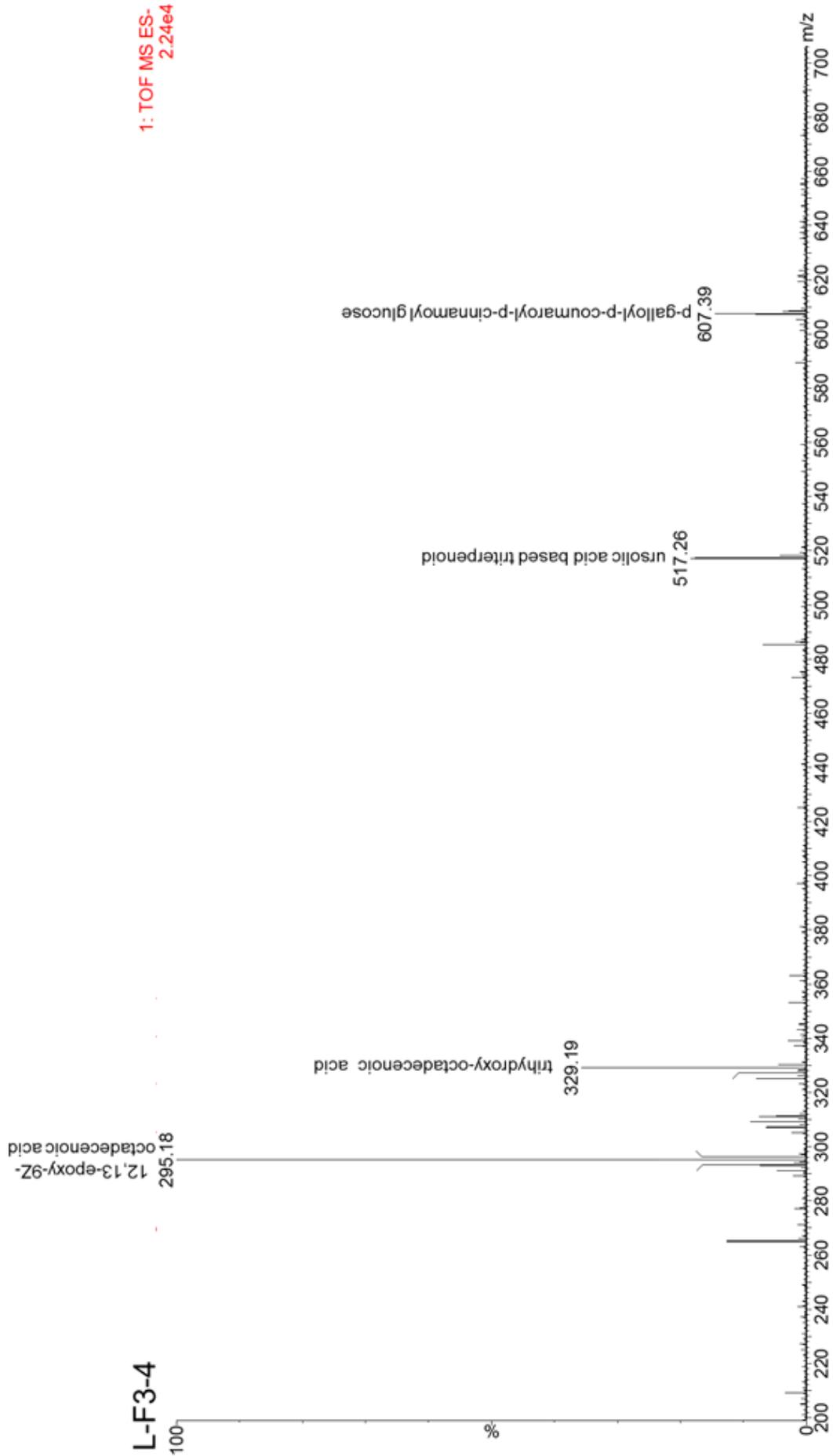


Figure S1. Mass spectrum of active subfraction L-F3-4

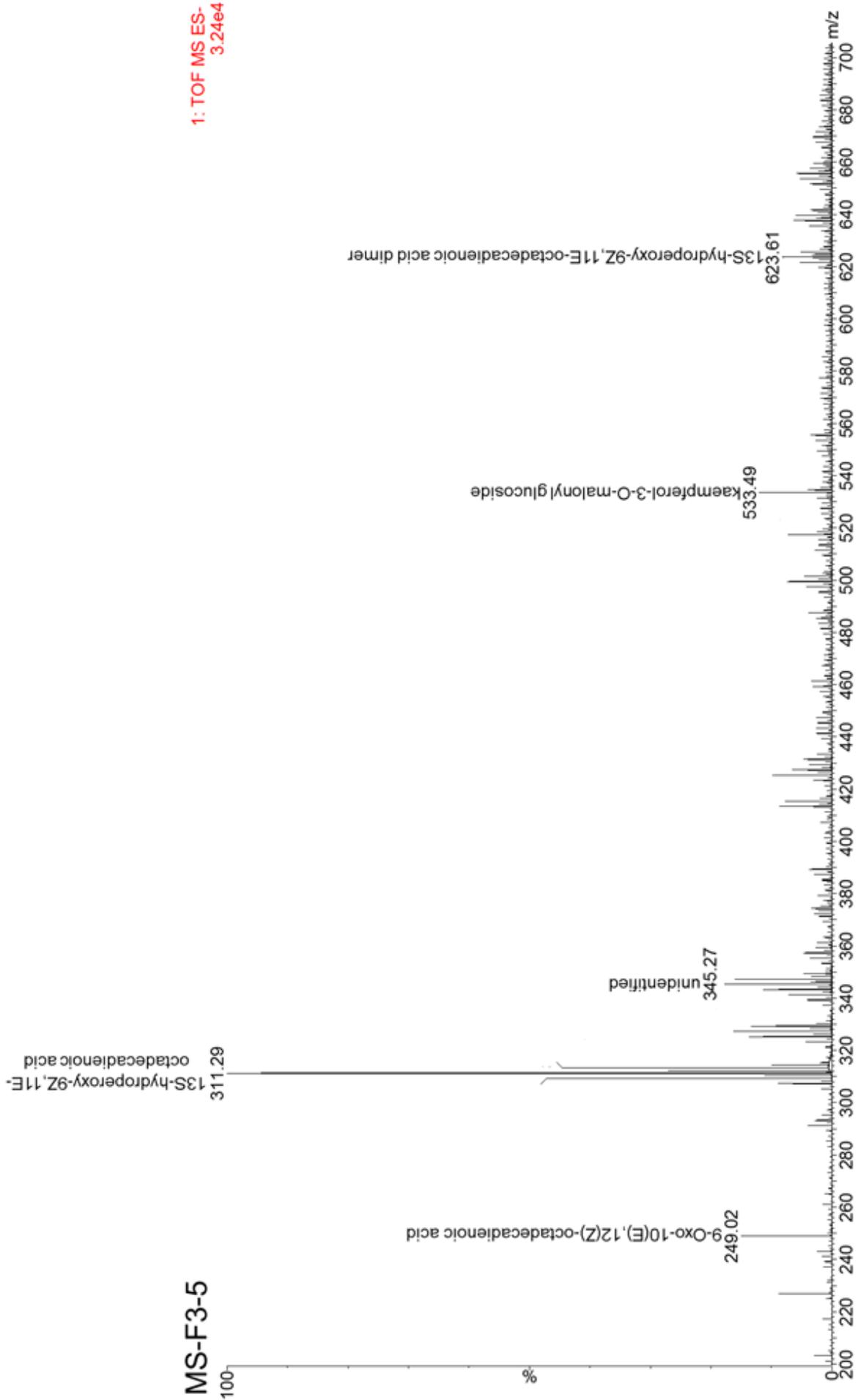


Figure S2. Mass spectrum of active subfraction MS-F3-5

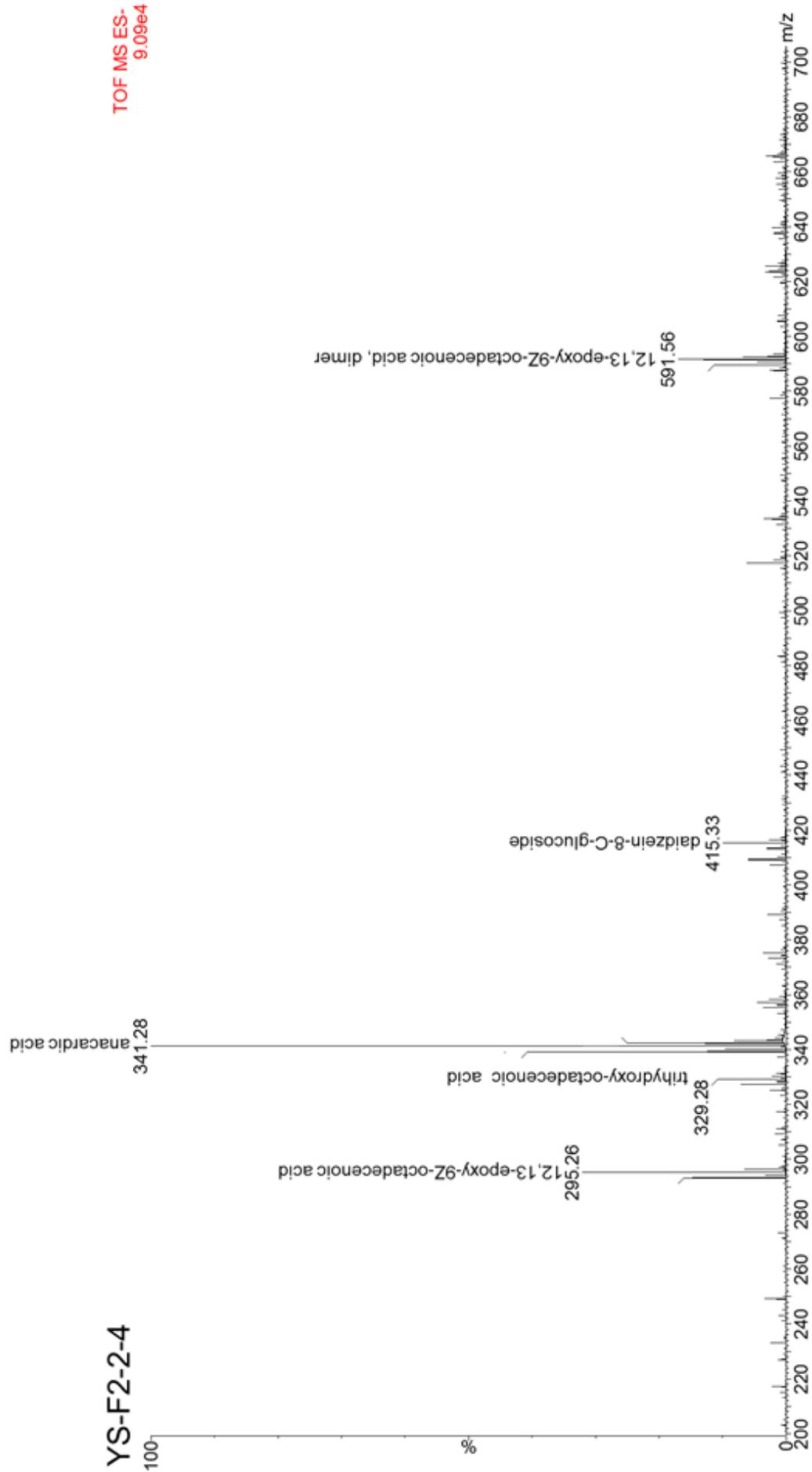


Figure S3. Mass spectrum of active subfraction YS-F2-2-4

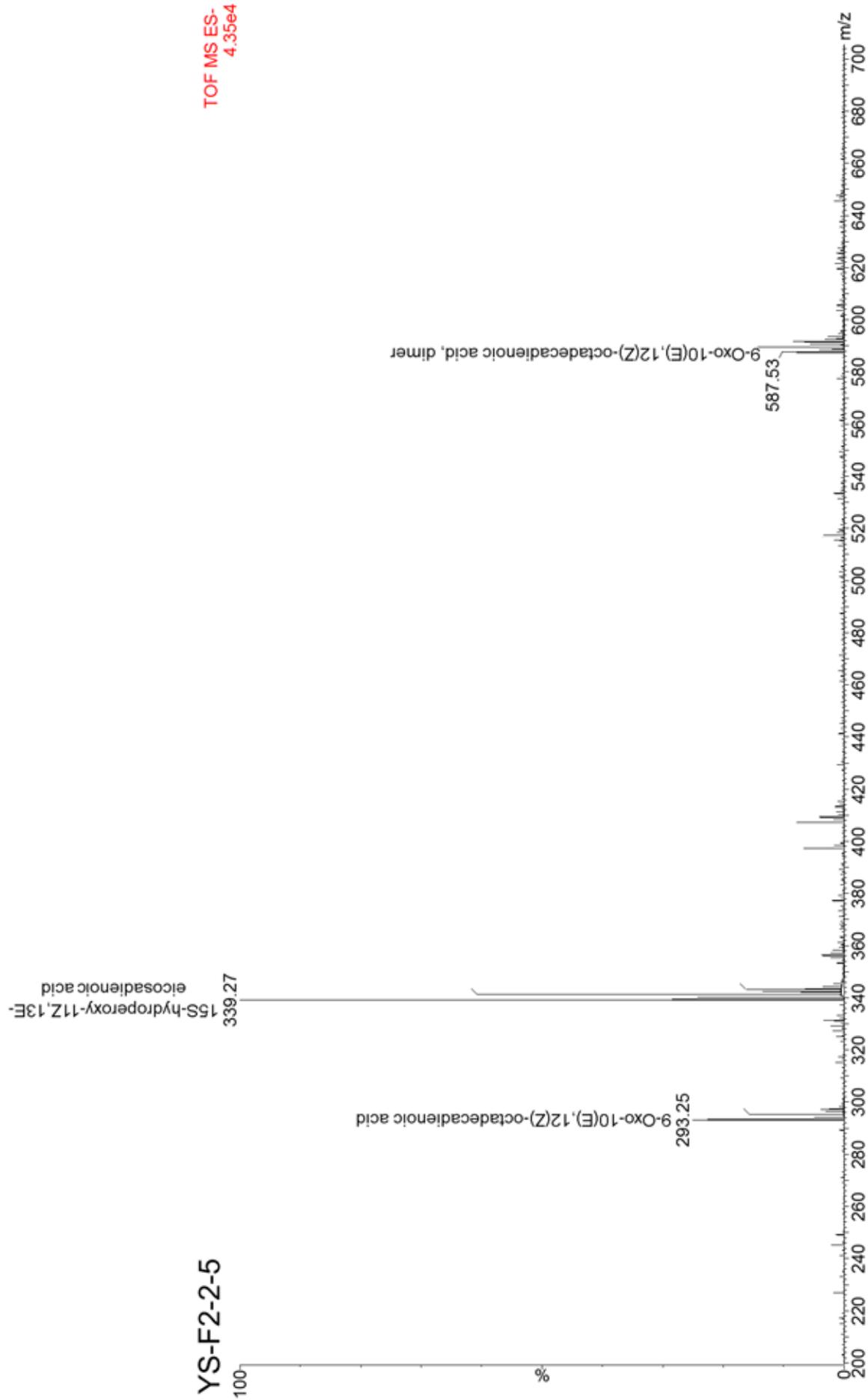
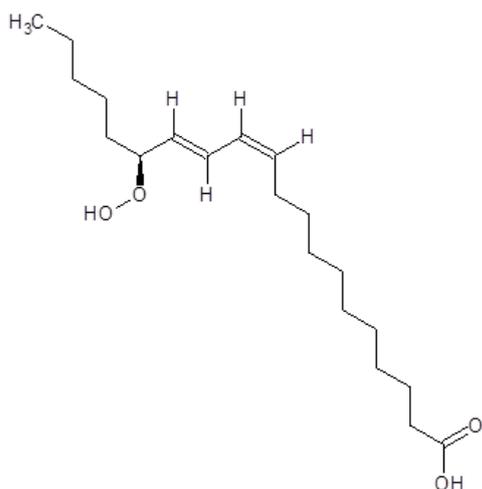
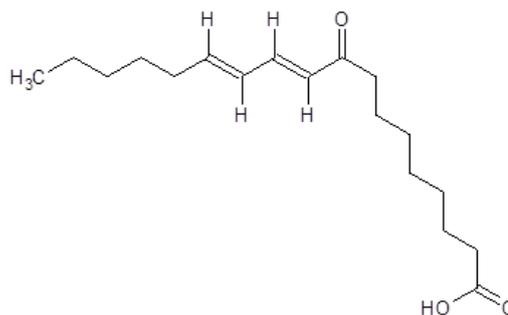
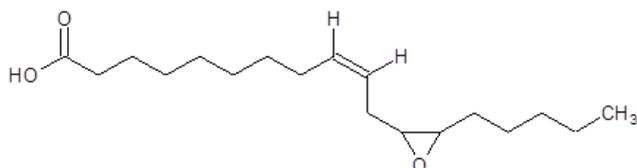
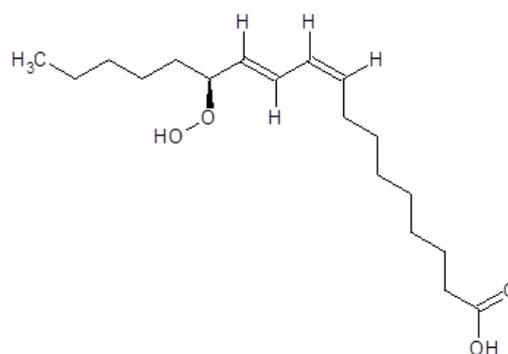
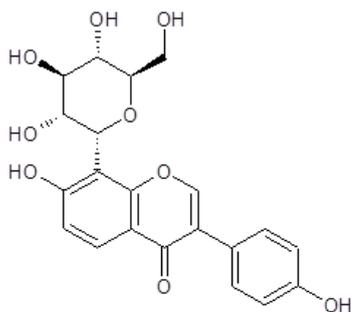
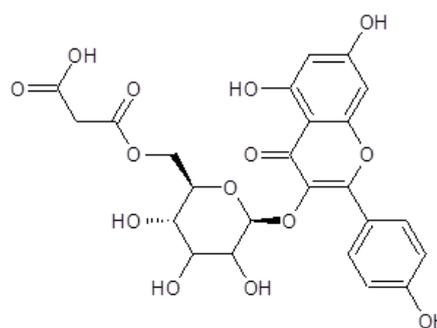


Figure S4. Mass spectrum of active subfraction YS-F2-2-5

**A.****15S-hydroperoxy-11Z,13E-eicosadienoic acid****B.****9-oxo-10E,12Z-octadecadienoic acid****C.****12,13-epoxy-9Z-octadecenoic acid****D.****13S-hydroperoxy-9Z,11E-octadecadienoic acid****E.****Daidzein-8-C-glucoside****F.****Kaempferol-3-O-malonyl glucoside**

**Figure S5.** Chemical structures of some compounds identified in active subfractions: 15S-hydroperoxy-11Z,13E-eicosadienoic acid (**A.**), 9-Oxo-10E,12Z-octadecadienoic acid (**B.**), 12,13-epoxy-9Z-octadecenoic acid (**C.**), 13S-hydroperoxy-9Z,11E-octadecadienoic acid (**D.**), daidzein-8-C-glucoside (**E.**) and kaempferol-3-O-malonyl glucoside

**(F.)**