



**Figure S1.** *Nepeta nuda* samples. Red punctuated rectangular indicates plant parts taken for analyses (a) Whole shoots of *in vitro* grown plants (5 weeks-old); (b) Individual flowers and leaves from *ex vitro* adapted *N. nuda* plants (at the phase of active blooming, at 24<sup>th</sup> of June). Scale bar: 1 cm.



**Figure S2.** Ants and aphids on *N. nuda* flowers and leaves of wild-grown plants. (a) In beginning of July. (b) Three weeks later in July. Arrows point to ants.

**Table S1.** Pearson correlation coefficients of metabolites found in *N. nuda* polar/non-polar extracts versus biological activities: antioxidant (AO), antiviral (AV) against Human Herpes Virus 1 when simultaneously applied (AHHV1 SA) and 1-hour-post-treatment applied (AHHV1 PA), antibacterial (AB) against Gram(+) *Staphylococcus aureus* (ASa) or Gram(-) *Klebsiella pneumonia* (AKp), and anti-inflammatory;  $P < 0.05$ ,  $n=3$ .

Metabolites	<i>N. nuda</i> biological activities						References
	AO	AHHV1 <sup>SA</sup>	AHHV1 <sup>PA</sup>	ASa	AKp	AI	
Total metabolites							
Phenolics	0.996		0.858				[10]
Flavonoids		0.814					[10]
Anthocyanins	1.000		0.810	0.996		0.689	AV[54]
Reducing sugars	0.994		0.868	0.980			AO[55]
Polar fraction							
P2 Malonic acid					0.906		Kp[56]
P6 Fumaric acid, 2-methyl- (Mesaconic acid)		0.837					AV[57]
P7 Citramalic acid		0.930				0.892	AV, AI[57]
P8 Malic acid	0.915		0.949	0.960			ASa[58]
P9 Erythronic acid	0.924		0.956	0.953			
P10 Tartaric acid					0.865		AKp[59]
P14 L-Valine					0.817		AKp[60]
P16 Proline			0.818	1.000			AKp[61]
P17 Glycine					0.905		AKp[62]
P18 Serine					0.837		
P28 Fructose	1.000	0.807	0.996				AV[63]
P29 Glucose	0.997		1.000	0.812			AKp[61]
P30 Mannose	0.999	0.834	0.991				AV[64]
P31 Galactose	0.994	0.867	0.980				AB, AV[65]
P32 Myo-Inositol		0.983	0.895			0.961	AV[66]
P33 Sucrose	0.919	0.879	0.976	0.878		0.919	AO[67]
P34 Trehalose, alpha,alpha'-	1.000	0.827	0.992				AV[68]
P35 Trehalose, beta,beta'	0.996		1.000	0.823			AV[68]
P36 Isomaltose	0.999	0.837	0.990				AB[69]
P38 Hydroquinone	0.905	0.895	0.983	0.861		0.932	AV[70]
P39 Tyrosol	0.999		0.829	0.992			AO[71]
P40 Homovanillyl alcohol						0.934	AI[72]
P45 4-Coumaric acid		0.838					AO, AV[73]
P46 Catechollactate/Danshensu	0.986		0.997	0.863			ASa[74]
P49 Rosmarinic acid	0.996		1.000	0.823			ASa[75]
P50 Quinic acid	0.970		0.988	0.899			ASa[76]
Non-polar fraction							
NP2 Pentadecanoic acid, 14-methyl-			0.838	1.000			AB[40]
NP3 Hexadecanoic acid, 14-methyl-	0.858		0.902	0.987			AB[40]
NP5 Palmitic acid			0.812	1.000			AB[40]
NP6 Linoleic acid				0.871			AB[40]
NP9 Methyl stearate	0.999		0.998				AB[40]
NP11 Eicosanoic acid (Arachidic acid)				0.945			Kp[77]
NP16 Heptadecane				0.976			AKp[78]
NP19 Pentacosane	0.990		0.999	0.850			AO, AB[79]
NP22 3-Methyltricosane	0.999		0.999				
NP23 2-Methyltetracosane	0.999	0.836	0.990				AO, AB[79]
NP24 3-Methylpentacosane	0.998		1.000	0.805			
NP27 Oleanolic acid	0.997		1.000	0.814			ASa[41]
NP28 Ursolic acid	1.000		0.998				ASa[41]

**Table S2.** Metabolites in polar fraction from *N. nuda*. The metabolic content was compared to in vitro plants and represented as relative values. Heat map highlights the differences in the metabolic content (maximum in red and minimum in blue). Student *t*-test was applied to determine the statistical difference relative to the in vitro variant; \**P* < 0.05, n=3.

Polar metabolites	RT	RI	flower vs. in vitro	leaf vs. in vitro
Organic acids				
P1 Glycolic acid	5.24	1073.1	0.2	0.7*
P2 Malonic acid	6.63	1198.2	0.0	-1.0*
P3 Succinic acid	7.73	1310.9	0.1	0.4*
P4 Methylsuccinic acid	7.83	1321.9	1.2*	3.7*
P5 Fumaric acid	8.06	1345.6	-0.4	1.6*
P6 Fumaric acid, 2-methyl- (Mesaconic acid)	8.52	1392.3	2.9*	3.9*
P7 Citramalic acid	9.18	1455.7	1.8*	2.2*
P8 Malic acid	9.32	1468.7	0.9*	-0.7*
P9 Erythronic acid	10.05	1538.0	0.6*	-0.3*
P10 Tartaric acid	10.96	1619.5	-0.1	-0.9*
P11 Citric acid	13.51	1806.8	-2.0*	-3.2*
Amino acids				
P12 L-Alanine	5.56	1101.9	-0.6*	-0.6*
P13 L-Leucine	6.16	1156.4	-1.0*	-1.7*
P14 L-Valine	6.75	1211.2	-0.2*	-1.3*
P15 L-Isoleucine	7.53	1290.5	-0.9*	-2.1*
P16 Proline	7.60	1298.2	0.7*	-2.5*
P17 Glycine	7.67	1305.0	-0.6	-2.8*
P18 Serine	8.14	1353.1	-0.2	-3.3*
P19 Threonine	8.37	1377.2	-0.5*	-2.0*
P20 Homoserine	8.96	1434.4	-2.2*	-3.4*
P21 L-Aspartic acid	9.66	1500.9	-0.5	-3.1*
P22 Oxoproline	9.73	1508.3	-4.0*	-6.4*
P23 $\gamma$ -Aminobutyric acid (GABA)	9.81	1515.6	-1.0*	-3.1*
P24 L-Glutamic acid	10.80	1607.4	-3.1*	-4.4*
Alcohols				
P25 Glycerol	7.31	1267.8	0.3*	-1.0*
P26 Galactinol	31.29	2977.0	-2.1*	-0.6*
Sugar derivatives				
P27 Xylose	11.28	1643.2	-1.9*	-2.4*
P28 Fructose	14.36	1860.9	3.6*	1.0*
P29 Glucose	14.63	1878.6	6.1*	1.3*
P30 Mannose	14.76	1887.0	3.8*	1.5*
P31 Galactose	15.03	1904.1	2.8*	1.2*
P32 Myo-Inositol	17.90	2083.3	0.8*	0.9*
P33 Sucrose	26.56	2635.4	0.7*	0.4*
P34 Trehalose, alpha,alpha'-	27.89	2728.8	1.5*	0.3*
P35 Trehalose, beta,beta'	28.35	2760.8	4.4*	-0.1
P36 Isomaltose	29.57	2849.1	4.7*	2.2*
Phenolic derivatives				
P37 Benzoic acid	7.14	1250.4	-0.7*	0.5*
P38 Hydroquinone	8.57	1397.3	2.7*	2.0*
P39 Tyrosol	10.30	1561.7	2.6*	0.5
P40 Homovanillyl alcohol	11.99	1695.6	0.8*	1.0*
P41 Vanilllic acid	12.76	1752.5	0.6	1.9*
P42 2,5-Dihydroxybenzoic acid (Gentisic acid)	12.89	1762.2	0.5	4.0*
P43 Shikimic acid	13.36	1796.9	-0.6	-3.3*
P44 Syringic acid	14.76	1886.5	-1.0	-1.4*
P45 4-Coumaric acid	15.47	1932.0	3.3*	4.5*
P46 Catechollactate/Danshensu	17.40	2052.7	1.6*	-0.3
P47 Isoferulic acid	17.93	2085.2	-2.4*	1.5*
P48 Caffeic acid	18.67	2130.2	1.3*	3.7*
P49 Rosmarinic acid	37.30	3408.0	2.9*	0.0
Others				
P50 Quinic acid	14.11	1844.9	2.2*	-1.8*

**Table S3.** Metabolites in non-polar fraction from *N. nuda*. The metabolic content was compared to in vitro plants and represented as relative values. Heat map highlights the differences in the metabolic content (maximum in red and minimum in blue). Student *t*-test was applied to determine the statistical difference relative to the in vitro variant; \**P* < 0.05, n=3.

Non-polar metabolites		RT	RI	flower vs. in vitro	leaf vs. in vitro
<b>Fatty acids</b>					
NP1	Pentadecanoic acid	13.72	1820.3	-0.6*	-0.9*
NP2	Pentadecanoic acid, 14-methyl-	14.70	1882.6	0.4	-0.8
NP3	Hexadecanoic acid, 14-methyl-	16.44	1993.9	1.1*	-3.6*
NP4	Heptadecanoic acid (Margaric acid)	16.90	2022.7	-1.0*	-0.9*
NP5	Palmitic acid	17.20	2040.6	0.2	-0.3
NP6	Linoleic acid	18.03	2091.6	-0.1	-2.2*
NP7	Linolenic acid	18.16	2099.2	-1.3*	-0.7*
NP8	Oleic acid	18.22	2103.4	-0.4*	-1.5*
NP9	Methyl stearate	18.57	2124.3	0.6	0.0
NP10	Stearic acid	20.44	2239.5	-0.1	-0.1
NP11	Eicosanoic acid (Arachidic acid)	21.82	2325.9	0.1	-0.4*
NP12	Docosanoic acid (Behenic acid)	24.96	2528.2	-0.5*	-0.7*
NP13	Tetracosanoic acid (Lignoceric acid)	27.91	2730.1	0.3*	0.6*
NP14	Methyl 2-hydroxytetracosanoate	30.33	2905.4	-0.3*	-0.5*
<b>Alkanes</b>					
NP15	Hexadecane	10.68	1597.8	-0.3	-0.4*
NP16	Heptadecane	11.95	1692.5	0.0	-0.2
NP17	Octadecane	13.37	1797.7	-0.1	-0.3*
NP18	Eicosane	16.51	1998.4	-0.9*	-1.0*
NP19	Pentacosane	24.53	2500.5	1.3*	-0.1
NP20	Triacontane	31.59	2999.1	-0.4	-0.4
NP21	Dotriacontane	34.13	3199.0	-0.2	-0.2
<b>Branched alkanes</b>					
NP22	3-Methyltricosane	22.55	2371.2	2.5*	0.3
NP23	2-Methyltetraicosane	23.97	2462.8	2.3*	0.6
NP24	3-Methylpentacosane	25.63	2572.0	5.0*	1.0*
<b>Sterols</b>					
NP25	$\beta$ -Sitosterol	35.92	3317.5	-0.2*	-0.7*
NP26	$\alpha$ -Amyrin	36.91	3382.6	-1.2*	-0.9*
NP27	Oleanolic acid	40.44	3615.5	5.8*	0.9
NP28	Ursolic acid	41.16	3662.9	3.0*	0.6*

**Table S4.** Phytohormones in *N. nuda*. Heat map highlights the differences between the plant variants for each hormone. One-way ANOVA (Holm–Sidak) test was applied to determine the statistical difference between the variants (shown in different letters). In bold are highlighted the active forms of the hormones that trigger signal response by receptor binding.

Hormones <sup>1</sup>	in vitro	flower	leaf
<b>Cytokinins</b>			
Total CKs	1651.15 <sup>a</sup>	449.93 <sup>c</sup>	969.52 <sup>b</sup>
CK bases	<b>6.76<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>5.79<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>6.03<sup>a</sup></b>
CK ribosides	100.77 <sup>a</sup>	25.08 <sup>b</sup>	3.76 <sup>c</sup>
CK N-glucosides	961.48 <sup>a</sup>	365.10 <sup>b</sup>	<b>823.90<sup>a</sup></b>
CK O-glucosides	193.38 <sup>a</sup>	18.29 <sup>c</sup>	80.85 <sup>b</sup>
CK phosphates	5.22 <sup>a</sup>	2.06 <sup>b</sup>	0.56 <sup>c</sup>
<b>Gibberellins</b>			
GA19	<b>4.44<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>0.62<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>1.72<sup>ab</sup></b>
<b>ABA</b>			
ABA	<b>34.59<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>662.25<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>696.19<sup>a</sup></b>
ABA-Me	7.29 <sup>a</sup>	7.71 <sup>a</sup>	0.26 <sup>b</sup>
ABA-GE	582.86 <sup>c</sup>	3768.31 <sup>b</sup>	<b>6767.03<sup>a</sup></b>
ABA catabolites	917.54 <sup>b</sup>	<b>9804.61<sup>a</sup></b>	635.75 <sup>b</sup>
<b>Jasmonates</b>			
Total JAs	222.49 <sup>b</sup>	2208.81 <sup>a</sup>	2037.58 <sup>a</sup>
JA	<b>180.64<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>1773.33<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>363.66<sup>b</sup></b>
JA-Ile	16.84 <sup>c</sup>	400.39 <sup>b</sup>	1650.64 <sup>a</sup>
JA-Me	7.64 <sup>b</sup>	12.04 <sup>a</sup>	4.58 <sup>b</sup>
DiH-JA	17.37 <sup>b</sup>	23.04 <sup>a</sup>	18.70 <sup>b</sup>
<b>Auxins</b>			
IAA	<b>29.16<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>305.45<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>95.04<sup>b</sup></b>
IAA+PAA	173.82 <sup>b</sup>	523.36 <sup>a</sup>	161.77 <sup>b</sup>
IAA-Asp	1.25 <sup>b</sup>	597.69 <sup>a</sup>	0.67 <sup>b</sup>
IAA-Glu	0.41 <sup>b</sup>	6.74 <sup>a</sup>	0.07 <sup>c</sup>
OxIAA	23.86 <sup>b</sup>	29.70 <sup>b</sup>	<b>65.38<sup>a</sup></b>
IAM	1.40 <sup>b</sup>	3.51 <sup>a</sup>	0.84 <sup>b</sup>
I3A	164.53 <sup>b</sup>	2244.40 <sup>a</sup>	62.58 <sup>b</sup>
OxIAA-Glu	<b>29.83<sup>a</sup></b>	28.82 <sup>a</sup>	18.93 <sup>a</sup>
OxIAA-Asp	48.91 <sup>b</sup>	433.36 <sup>a</sup>	5.00 <sup>c</sup>
<b>Phenolics</b>			
SA	<b>146.22<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>1020.39<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>596.59<sup>b</sup></b>
BzA	168.21 <sup>c</sup>	425.55 <sup>a</sup>	245.63 <sup>b</sup>
PAAM	26.71 <sup>b</sup>	36.00 <sup>a</sup>	21.32 <sup>b</sup>
SinAc	<b>2.03<sup>a</sup></b>	0.58 <sup>a</sup>	0.11 <sup>b</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Metabolic forms of the hormones: **Cytokinins (CKs)**: total CKs, CK bases [CK active metabolites], CK ribosides [reversible CK modification; transportation form], CK N-glucosides [inactive CK metabolites], CK O-glucosides [CK storage metabolites], CK phosphates [CK precursors]; **Gibberellin (GA)**: GA19 [active metabolite, GA precursor]; **Abscisic acid (ABA)**: ABA [ABA active metabolite], ABA-Me [ABA methyl ester, metabolite], ABA-GE [ABA glucose ester, metabolite], ABA catabolites [include dihydrophaseic acid/DPA, phaseic acid/PA, 7OH-ABA, 9OH-ABA]; **Jasmonic acid (JA)**: total, JA [active metabolite], JA-Ile [JA-isoleucine, active metabolite], JA-Me [JA methyl ester, metabolite], DiH-JA [dihydro-JA, metabolite]; **Auxins**: IAA [indole-3-acetic acid, active metabolite that is transported], IAA+PAA [IAA, and phenylacetic acid with auxin-like activity, but not transported], IAA-Asp [IAA-aspartate, inactive conjugate], IAA-Glu [IAA-glutamate, metabolite], OxIAA [oxo-IAA, catabolite], IAM [indole-3-acetamide, IAA precursor], I3A [indole-3-aldehyde, IAA metabolite], OxIAA-Glu [oxo-IAA-glucose ester, catabolite], OxIAA-Asp [oxo-IAA-aspartate, catabolite]; **Phenolics**: SA [salicylic acid, active metabolite], BzA [benzoic acid, SA precursor], PAAM [phenylacetamide, phenolic amide], SinAc [sinapic acid, phenolic acid].