

Biological and chemical insight into *Gaultheria procumbens* fruits: A rich source of anti-inflammatory and antioxidant salicylate glycosides and procyanidins for food and functional application

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Table S1 Phenolic analytes detected in *G. procumbens* fruit dry extracts by UHPLC-PDA-ESI-MS³

Peak	Analytes	Rt [min]	UV [nm]	[M-H] ⁻ m/z	MS ² (% relative abundance)	MS ³ (% relative abundance)	Extract
1	unknown compound	3.1	285	465	447 (7); 367 (100)	349 (29); 187 (71); 179 (90); 143 (32); 113 (21)	All
2	protocatechuic acid *	4.2	259, 293	153			All
3	vanilic acid derivative	5.3	260, 310	331	313 (100) ; 211 (2); 167 (33); 125 (7)	297 (16), 153 (100)	ME, WE
4	3- <i>O</i> -caffeoylquinic acid (neochlorogenic acid) *	6.0	325	353	191 (100); 179 (29)		All
5	<i>p</i> -hydroxybenzoic acid *	7.0	254	137	93 (100)		All
6	unknown compound	8.8	280	293	273 (3); 195 (9); 131 (100)		All
7	procyanidin B-type dimer	10.1	280	577	425 (100) ; 407 (64); 289 (20)	407 (100); 273 (10)	AE, ME, WE
8	procyanidin B-type dimer	10.5	280	577	425 (100) ; 407 (63); 289 (20)	407 (100); 273 (9)	All
9	5- <i>O</i> -caffeoylquinic acid (chlorogenic acid) *	10.9	325	353	191 (100); 179 (6)		All
10	(+)-catechin *	11.1	280	289	245 (100); 205 (27)		All
11	methyl salicylate 2- <i>O</i> -(2'- <i>O</i> -β-D-glucopyranosyl)-β-D-glucopyranoside (physanguloside A, PH) *	11.3	285	521 ^a	475 (100); 443 (4)		All
12	sinapic acid hexoside derivative	12.1	280	431	413 (5); 385 (100); 223 (13)		All
13	caffeic acid derivative	12.4	325	327	309 (6); 179 (49); 147 (100); 119 (16)		All
14	methyl salicylate 2- <i>O</i> -(2'- <i>O</i> -β-D-glucopyranosyl-6'- <i>O</i> -β-D-xylopyranosyl)-β-D-glucopyranoside (MSTG-B, TG) *	13.0	285	653 ^a	607 (100); 575 (13)		All
15	procyanidin B-type trimer	13.6	280	865	847 (31); 739 (43); 713 (34) ; 695 (79); 577 (47); 451 (20); 287 (20)	695 (100); 575 (5); 561 (23); 407 (36); 243 (11)	AE, ME, WE
16	procyanidin B-type dimer	14.1	280	577	425 (100) ; 407 (64); 289 (22)	407 (100); 273 (8)	All
17	procyanidin B-type dimer	14.6	280	577	425 (100) ; 407 (59); 289 (18)	407 (100); 273 (10)	ME, WE
18	procyanidin B-2 (PB2) *	15.3	280	577	425 (100) ; 407 (41); 289 (14)	407 (100); 273 (7)	AE, ME, WE
19	unknown compound	15.7	280	461	415 (100)	407 (100); 381 (4); 273 (7)	AE, ME, BE, WE
20	protocatechuic acid derivative	16.1	259, 293	481	463 (17); 345 (39); 327 (100); 165 (18); 153 (56)		All
21	(-)-epicatechin *	16.8	280	289	245 (100); 205 (16)		AE, ME, EAE, WE
22	gaultherin (GT) *	17.7	285	491 ^a	445 (12); 413 (4); 293 (100); 233 (2); 149 (4)		All
23	unknown compound	17.9	280	367	245 (12); 203 (61); 185 (100); 141 (26)		ME, WE

Table S1 (Contd.)

Peak	Analytes	Rt [min]	UV [nm]	[M-H] ⁻ m/z	MS ² (% relative abundance)	MS ³ (% relative abundance)	Extract
24	procyanidin A-type trimer	18.3	280	863	711 (100) ; 573 (21); 559 (21); 451 (25); 411 (31); 289 (10)	693 (78); 559 (21); 541 (26); 407 (14)	AE, ME, WE
25	procyanidin B-type dimer	18.7	280	577	425 (100) ; 407 (20); 289 (49)	407 (100); 273 (11)	AE, ME, WE
26	procyanidin A-type trimer	20.3	280	863	711 (100) ; 693 (8); 573 (27); 559 (22); 451 (43); 411 (34); 289 (22)	693 (100); 559 (82); 541 (24); 463 (13); 407 (18); 285 (3)	AE, ME, WE
27	procyanidin B-type trimer	20.7	280	865	847 (14); 739 (18); 713 (100) ; 695 (32); 577 (29); 451 (27); 287 (17)	695 (100); 575 (22); 561 (22); 407 (20); 243 (10)	AE, ME, WE
28	procyanidin C1 *	21.3	280	865	847 (16); 739 (56); 713 (100) ; 695 (49); 577 (61); 451 (36); 287 (35)	695 (100); 575 (23); 561 (19); 407 (35); 243 (7)	AE, ME, WE
29	procyanidin B-type dimer	22.1	280	577	425 (100) ; 407 (62); 289 (19)	407 (100); 273 (12)	AE, ME, WE
30	procyanidin A-type dimer	22.6	280	575	499 (98); 491 (54); 451 (14); 425 (100) ; 407 (79); 289 (22)	407 (100); 273 (9)	All
31	procyanidin B-type trimer	23.6	280	865	847 (6); 739 (36); 713 (51) ; 695 (92); 577 (99); 451 (30); 287 (54)	695 (100); 575 (24); 561 (26); 407 (25); 243 (10)	AE, ME, WE
32	procyanidin A-type dimer	24.2	280	575	499 (27); 449 (89); 423 (41) ; 289 (79)	405 (17); 285 (100)	ME, WE
33	procyanidin A-type dimer	24.8	280	575	499 (25); 449 (49); 423 (100) ; 289 (20)	405 (11); 285 (100)	WE
34	procyanidin A-type trimer	25.7	280	863	711 (100) ; 693 (20); 573 (24); 559 (23); 451 (32); 411 (42); 289 (12)	693 (96); 559 (100); 541 (64); 463 (5); 407 (15); 285 (2)	All
35	quercetin 3-O-β-D-galactopyranoside (hyperoside) *	27.6	254, 353	463	301 (100)	273 (38); 255 (20); 179 (100); 151 (64)	All
36	quercetin 3-O-β-D-glucopyranoside (isoquercitrin) *	28.6	256, 353	463	301 (100)	273 (54); 255 (22); 179 (100); 151 (76)	ME, WE
37	quercetin 3-O-β-D-glucuronopyranoside (miquelianin) *	29.1	256, 356	477	301 (100)	273 (29); 257 (19); 179 (100); 151 (58)	AE, ME, WE
38	procyanidin A-type dimer	29.5	280	575	449 (56); 423 (100) ; 289 (19)	405 (8); 285 (100); 257 (5)	AE, ME, WE
39	quercetin hexoside-rhamnoside	31.8	256, 355	609	447 (100) ; 301 (26)	301 (100)	WE
40	quercetin 3-O-α-L-rhamnopyranoside (quercitrin) *	32.9	276, 350	447	301 (100)	273 (19); 257 (23); 179 (100); 151 (59)	WE
41	kaempferol 3-O-β-D-glucuronopyranoside *	33.3	265, 345	461	285 (100)	267 (32); 257 (100); 241 (23); 229 (30); 151 (16)	ME, WE
42	unknown compound	40.3	325	663	517 (5); 487 (100) ; 469 (14)	341 (8); 307 (100); 235 (57); 205 (15); 163 (74)	ME, WE
43	unknown compound	41.5	325	693	517 (100) ; 499 (63); 337 (12); 265 (4)	337 (90); 295 (9); 265 (36); 235 (52); 193 (100); 175 (58)	AE, ME, BE, WE
44	quercetin *	43.7	255, 364	301	273 (36); 255 (21); 179 (100); 151 (69)		All
45	kaempferol *	50.4	265, 364	285	267 (90); 257 (11); 241 (20); 229 (80); 151 (18)		All

Rt, retention times. UV λ_{max} , absorbance maxima in PDA spectra. [M-H]⁻, pseudomolecular ions in MS spectra recorded in a negative ion mode. The bolded ions were subjected to MS³ fragmentation. Compounds marked with an asterisk (*) were identified with authentic standards; ^a [M+HCOO]⁻.

Table S2 NMR spectral data of **PH**, **GT** and **TG** in methanol-*d*₄ (600 MHz for ¹H and 150.9 MHz for ¹³C) ^a

Pos. ^b	PH	GT		TG		
	δ_{H}	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	δ_{C}
1		120.1		121.0		120.0
2		156.2		157.2		156.1
3	7.28 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=0.8$, $J_2=8.7$)	114.9	7.47 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.1$, $J_2=7.9$)	117.8	7.34 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=8.7$)	115.3
4	7.54 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=7.2$, $J_3=8.7$)	133.4	7.59 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.9$, $J_2=7.9$, $J_3=7.9$)	133.9	7.57 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.9$, $J_2=7.5$, $J_3=8.7$)	133.7
5	7.09 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=0.8$, $J_2=7.2$, $J_3=7.9$)	121.1	7.15 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.1$, $J_2=7.9$, $J_3=7.9$)	122.3	7.09 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=7.5$, $J_3=8.7$)	121.2
6	7.79 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=7.9$)	130.9	7.79 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.9$, $J_2=7.9$)	130.6	7.79 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.9$, $J_2=7.5$)	130.9
7		166.6		167.2		166.5
8	3.90 (3H, <i>s</i>)	51.2	3.92 (3H, <i>s</i>)	51.4	3.90 (3H, <i>s</i>)	51.2
	2- β -D-glucopyranosyl:		2- β -D-glucopyranosyl:		2- β -D-glucopyranosyl:	
1'	5.36 (1H, <i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	98.3	4.90 (1H, <i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	102.5	5.33 (1H, <i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	98.3
2'	3.82 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.5$, $J_2=9.0$)	81.6	3.56 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.5$, $J_2=9.0$)	73.6	3.83 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.5$, $J_2=9.0$)	81.6
3'	3.71 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.8$)	76.3	3.50 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.8$)	76.2	3.70 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.8$)	76.2
4'	3.54 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.8$)	69.5	3.43 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.8$, $J_2=9.8$)	69.9	3.86 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.8$)	69.6
5'	3.52 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=6.4$, $J_3=9.0$)	76.5	3.69 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.9$, $J_2=6.4$, $J_3=9.8$)	76.1	3.49 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=6.4$, $J_3=9.0$)	75.8
	3.88 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6' _a)		4.16 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.9$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6' _a)		4.12 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.5$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6' _a)	
6'	3.73 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=6.4$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6' _b)	61.0	3.81 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=6.4$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6' _b)	68.5	3.81 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=6.4$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6' _b)	68.3
	2'- β -D-glucopyranosyl:		6'- β -D-xylopyranosyl:		6'- β -D-xylopyranosyl:	
1''	4.84 (1H, <i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	103.0	4.36 (1H, <i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	104.1	4.31 (1H, <i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	103.9
2''	3.25 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.5$, $J_2=9.4$)	74.7	3.24 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.5$, $J_2=9.0$)	73.6	3.21 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.5$, $J_2=9.0$)	73.6
3''	3.41 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.4$)	76.3	3.31 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.8$)	76.3	3.28 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=8.7$, $J_2=9.0$)	76.2
4''	3.40 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=8.3$, $J_2=9.0$)	69.4	3.52 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=5.3$, $J_2=9.8$, $J_3=10.2$)	69.8	3.48 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=5.3$, $J_2=9.0$, $J_3=10.5$)	69.8
5''	3.17 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=2.3$, $J_2=6.4$, $J_3=8.3$)	76.0	3.18 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=10.2$, $J_2=11.7$, H-5'' _a)		3.11 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=10.5$, $J_2=11.3$, H-5'' _a)	
	3.57 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=2.3$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6'' _a)		3.87 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=5.3$, $J_2=11.7$, H-5'' _e)	65.5	3.82 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=5.3$, $J_2=11.3$, H-5'' _e)	65.5
6''	3.22 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=6.4$, $J_2=11.7$, H-6'' _b)	60.3				
					2'- β -D-glucopyranosyl:	
1'''					4.85 (1H, <i>d</i> , $J=7.5$)	103.0
2'''					3.25 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.5$, $J_2=7.9$)	74.7
3'''					3.42 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=7.9$, $J_2=9.0$)	76.0
4'''					3.40 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=9.0$, $J_2=9.0$)	69.4
5'''					3.17 (1H, <i>ddd</i> , $J_1=1.1$, $J_2=6.4$, $J_3=9.0$)	76.1
					3.52 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=1.1$, $J_2=12.1$, H-6''' _a)	
6'''					3.23 (1H, <i>dd</i> , $J_1=6.4$, $J_2=12.1$, H-6''' _b)	60.2

^a Data acquired with TMS as the internal standard, δ in ppm. Multiplicities and coupling constants (in Hz) are given in parentheses. Assignments confirmed by ¹H-¹H COSY, HMQC, and HMBC experiments. ^b For trivial atom numbering see chemical formulas of **PH**, **GT** and **TG** (Fig. 2 of the main paper).

Table S3 Correlation (r) coefficients and probability (p) values of linear relationships between antioxidant and anti-inflammatory activity parameters and phenolic contents of *G. procumbens* fruit dry extracts

r (p) for:	Antioxidant activity						Anti-inflammatory activity		
	DPPH	FRAP	TBARS	O ₂ ^{•-}	•OH	H ₂ O ₂	COX-2	HYAL	LOX
TPC	-0.8696 (0.130)	0.7930 (0.207)	-0.8114 (0.189)	-0.7378 (0.262)	0.1976 (0.802)	-0.5858 (0.414)	-0.1391 (0.861)	-0.8119 (0.188)	-0.5837 (0.416)
TPH	-0.3849 (0.615)	0.8807 (0.119)	-0.3807 (0.619)	-0.4155 (0.585)	-0.4449 (0.555)	-0.8594 (0.141)	-0.8253 (0.175)	-0.6946 (0.305)	-0.9331 (0.067)
TPA	-0.9042 (0.096)	0.8115 (0.188)	-0.8532 (0.147)	-0.7878 (0.212)	0.2405 (0.759)	-0.6345 (0.365)	-0.1221 (0.878)	-0.8516 (0.148)	-0.6229 (0.377)
TLPA	-0.7617 (0.238)	0.9939 (0.006) **	-0.7469 (0.253)	-0.7506 (0.249)	-0.0756 (0.924)	-0.9469 (0.053)	-0.5443 (0.456)	-0.9376 (0.062)	-0.9693 (0.031) *
TPHA	0.1530 (0.847)	0.2445 (0.756)	0.0826 (0.917)	-0.0342 (0.917)	-0.3246 (0.675)	-0.5059 (0.494)	-0.5123 (0.488)	-0.1682 (0.832)	-0.5275 (0.473)
TSAL	-0.3367 (0.663)	0.8553 (0.145)	-0.3338 (0.666)	-0.3717 (0.628)	-0.4801 (0.520)	-0.8374 (0.163)	-0.8452 (0.155)	-0.6572 (0.343)	-0.9158 (0.084)
TFL	-0.2752 (0.725)	0.6931 (0.307)	-0.1843 (0.816)	-0.1050 (0.895)	-0.5773 (0.423)	-0.3318 (0.668)	-0.7156 (0.284)	-0.3981 (0.602)	-0.4606 (0.539)

TPC: total phenolic content (Folin-Ciocalteu assay) in gallic acid equivalents, TPH: total phenolic content (HPLC), TSAL: total salicylates (HPLC), TPA: total proanthocyanidins (*n*-butanol/HCl assay) in cyanidin chloride equivalents, TLPA: total proanthocyanidins (HPLC), TPHA: total phenolic acids (HPLC), TFL: total flavonoids (HPLC). Asterisks mean significance of the estimated linear relationship (* $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$) for four extracts ($n = 4$).

Table S4 Extraction yield and phenolic contents including the levels of individual methyl salicylate glycosides (**GT**, **PH** and **TG**) in *G. procumbens* fruits extracted with different solvents

	Extraction solvent	
	methanol-water (7:3, v/v)	water
Yield ^a	43.69 ± 2.47	48.09 ± 2.60
TPC ^a	7.66 ± 0.12 *	4.93 ± 0.04 *
TPC ^b	36.40 ± 0.53 *	23.43 ± 0.71 *
TPA ^b	28.49 ± 0.47 *	15.09 ± 0.16 *
TSAL ^b	38.21 ± 0.40 *	15.63 ± 0.30 *
TSA ^b	9.87 ± 0.10 *	3.57 ± 0.07 *
GT ^b	22.33 ± 0.69 *	1.37 ± 0.02 *
PH ^b	5.69 ± 0.19 *	3.91 ± 0.06 *
TG ^b	10.19 ± 0.32	10.35 ± 0.37

Results are presented as means ± SD ($n = 3$) and calculated per: ^a fresh fruit weight (mg/g fw); ^b dry fruit weight (mg/g dw). Means in the same row marked with asterisks differ significantly ($p < 0.05$). TPC: total phenolic content (Folin-Ciocalteu assay) in gallic acid equivalents, TSAL: total salicylates (HPLC), TSA: total salicylates in equivalents of salicylic acid, TPA: total proanthocyanidins (*n*-butanol/HCl assay) in cyanidin chloride equivalents.

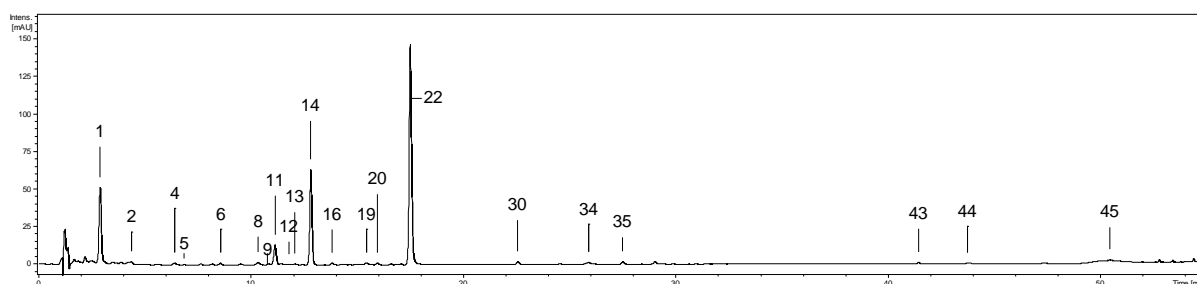


Fig. S1 UHPLC-PDA chromatogram of *n*-butanol extract of *G. procumbens* fruits (**BE**) at 280 nm. The peak numbers refer to those implemented in Table S1. The following compounds were isolated: **PH** (peak 11), **TG** (peak 14) and **GT** (peak 22).

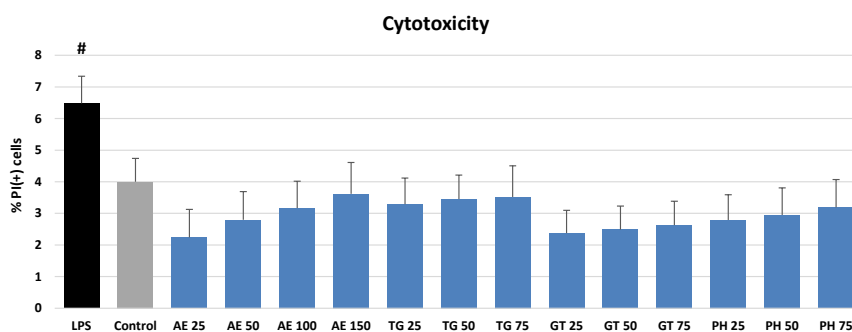


Fig. S2 Effect of acetone fruit extract (**AE**) at 25, 50, 100, 150 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ and the isolated salicylates (**PH**, **GT** and **TG**) at 25, 50, and 75 μM on viability (membrane integrity) of neutrophils as indicated by propidium iodide positive PI(+) cells. Data expressed as means ± SD of three independent experiments performed with cells isolated from five independent donors. Statistical significance: # $p < 0.05$ compared to the non-stimulated control.

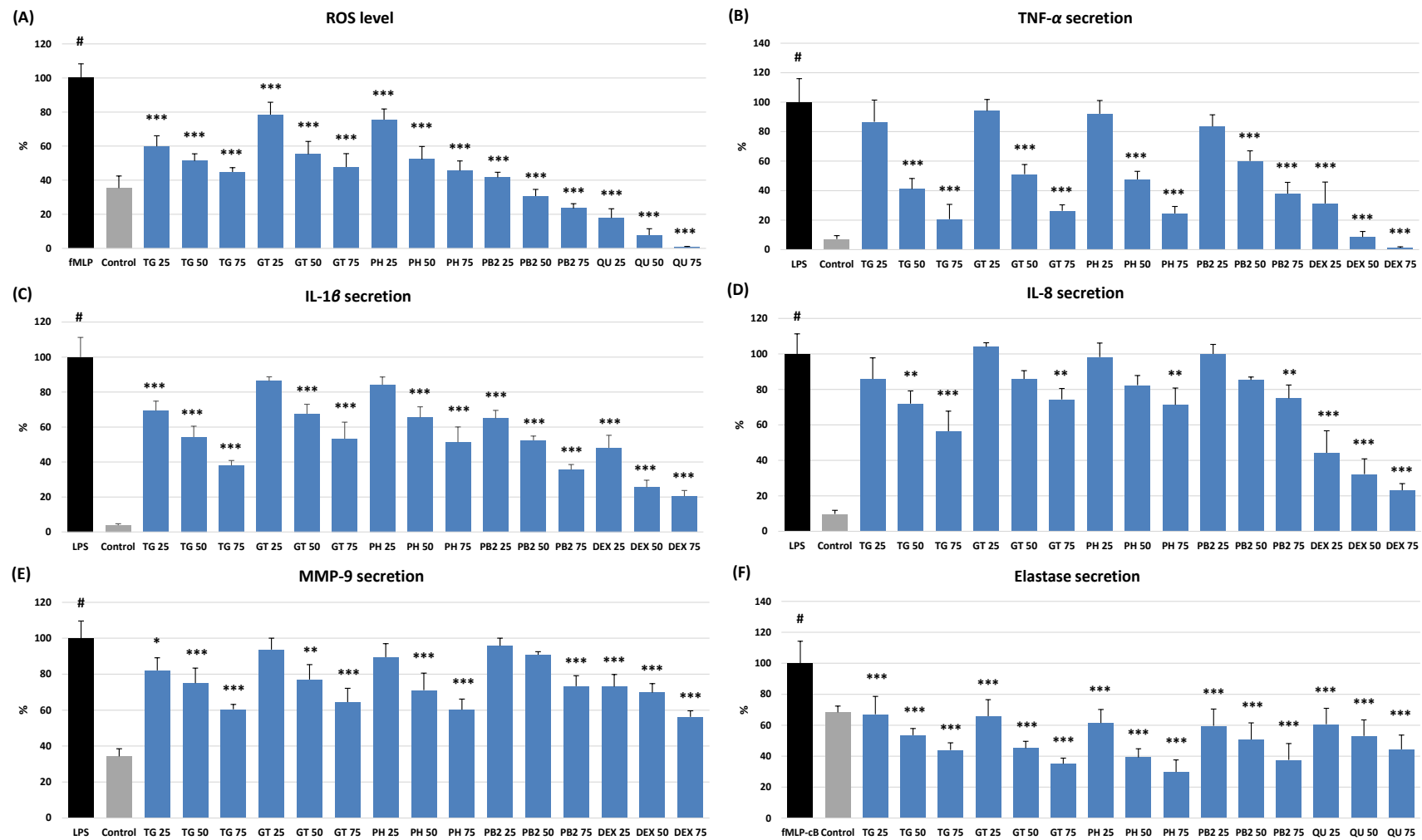


Fig. S3 Effect of the isolated salicylates (**TG**, **GT** and **PH**) and positive controls (**QU** and **DEX**) at 25, 50, and 75 μ M on: (A) ROS production, and secretion of (B) TNF- α , (C) IL-1 β , (D) IL-8, (E) MMP-9, and (F) ELA-2 by stimulated human neutrophils. Data expressed as means \pm SD of three independent experiments performed with cells isolated from five independent.