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Supplementary material

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3 **Rapid analysis of bioactive compounds from citrus samples** 4 **by direct analysis in real-time mass spectrometry combined** 5 **with chemometrics**

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46 **Table S1** Kruskal-Wallis test (p<0.05 is valid)

Name	P value
Synephrine	0.001
Caffeicacid	0.004
FerulicAcid	0.026
Tetramethoxyflavone	0.003
Tryptophan	0.268
Adenosine	0.09
Naringin	0.676
Guanosine	0.062
Hesperetin	0.198
nobiletin	0.587
Trimethoxyflavone	0.113
Tetramethoxyflavone	0.038
Dihydroxytrimethoxyflavone	0.368
Monohydroxytetramethoxyflavone	0.444
Heptamethoxyflavone	0.003
Dihydroxyhexamethoxyflavone	0.004
Orientin	0.236
Tricin	0.296
Xanthohumol	0.271
Curcumin	0.796

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57 **Table S2** Information for analyte, regression equation, linear range, limit of detection
 58 (LOD), limit of quantification (LOQ), and correlation coefficient (R²) by proposed
 59 DART-MS method.

Analyte	Regression equation	Linear range (µg·mL ⁻¹)	LOD (ng·mL ⁻¹)	LOQ (ng·mL ⁻¹)	Correlation coefficient (R ²)
synephrine	Y=0.36x+0.1901	1.5625-25	39	156	0.9972

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61 **Table S3** Method validation of synephrine in QP-3 samples by DART-MS.

Real samples	Add (µg·mL ⁻¹)	Recovery (%)	Intra-day precision (RSD, %, n=6)	Inter-day precision (RSD, %, n=9)	Repeatability (RSD,%)	Stability (RSD,%)
	7	100.71	6.08	6.1		
QP	17.5	98.10	5.27	5.3	1.58	5.83
	21.8	98.48	5.03	5.0		

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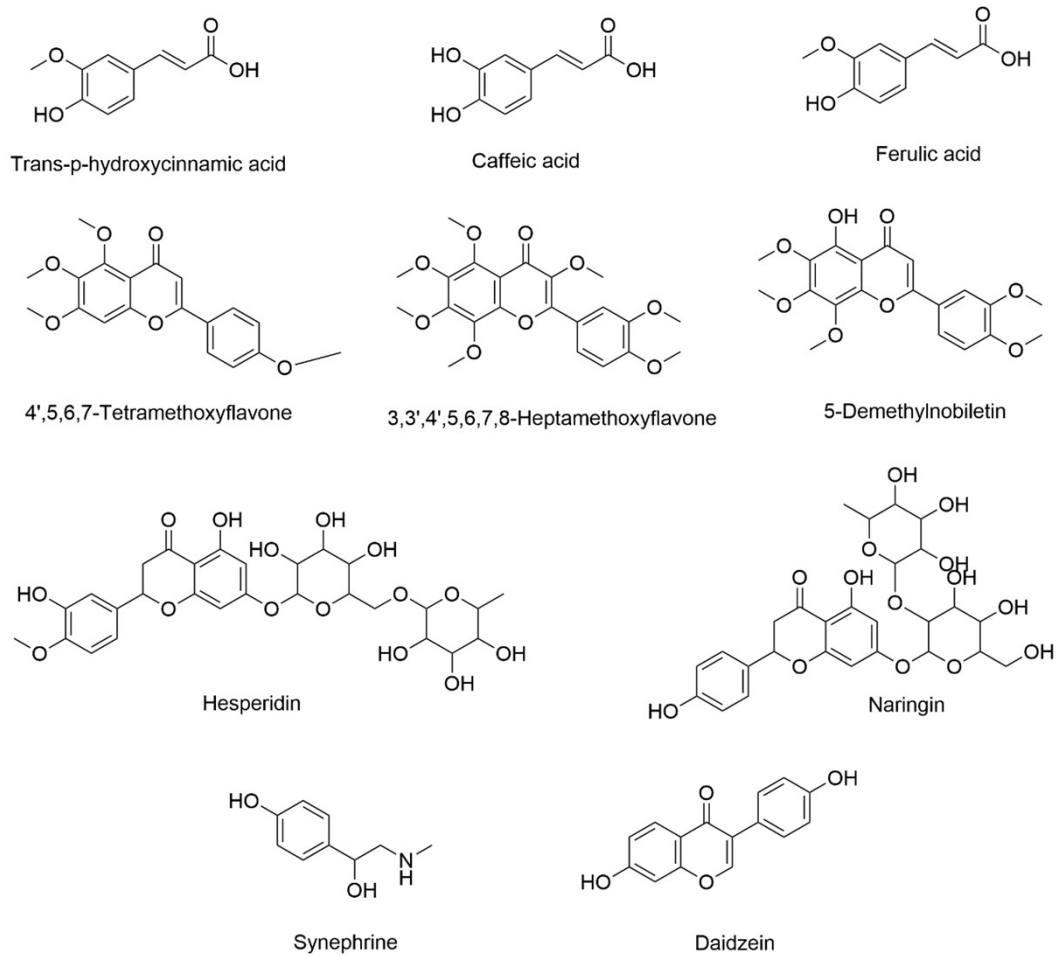
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67 **Table S4** Comparison of DART-MS and HPLC-MS methods for the analysis of
 68 synephrine in QP, CP, and GCP samples.

Name (mg g-1)	Citri Pericarpium	Reticulatae	Citri Viride	Reticulatae	Pericarpium	Citri "Chachi"	reticulatae
	DART-MS	HPLC- MS	DART-MS		HPLC- MS	DART-MS	HPLC- MS
synephrine	1.42	1.48	1.57		1.61	1.13	1.15

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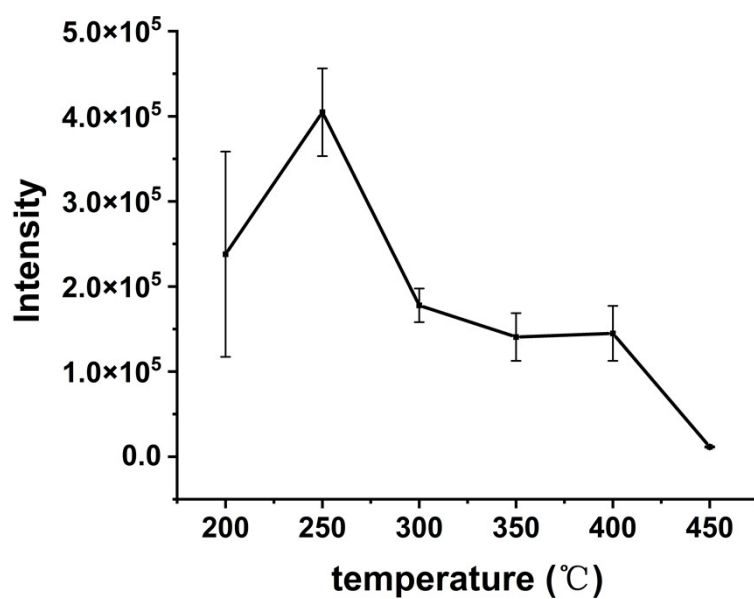
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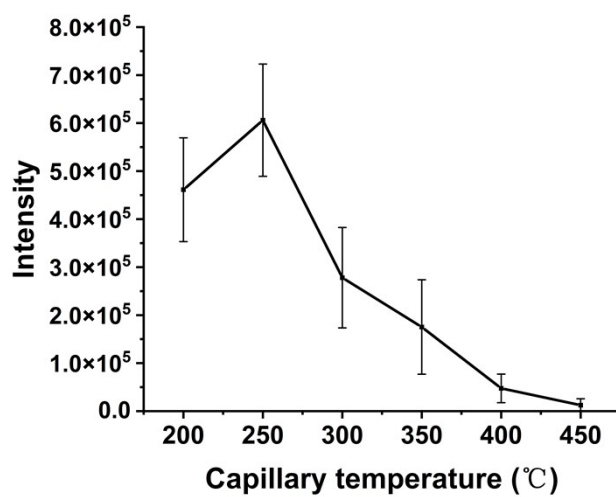
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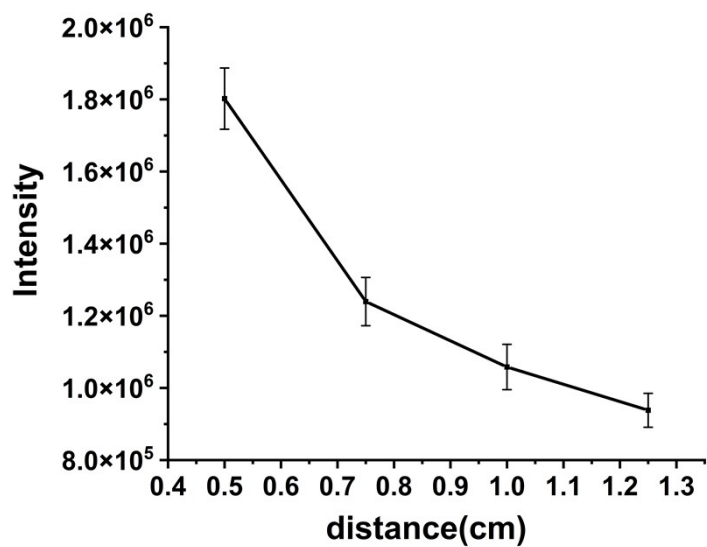
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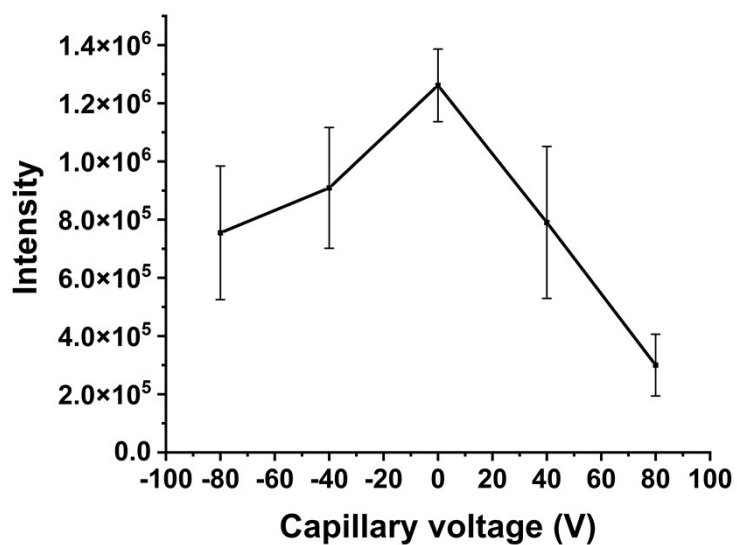
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83 **Figure S4** The effect of distance between the ceramic tube of DART and MS inlet on
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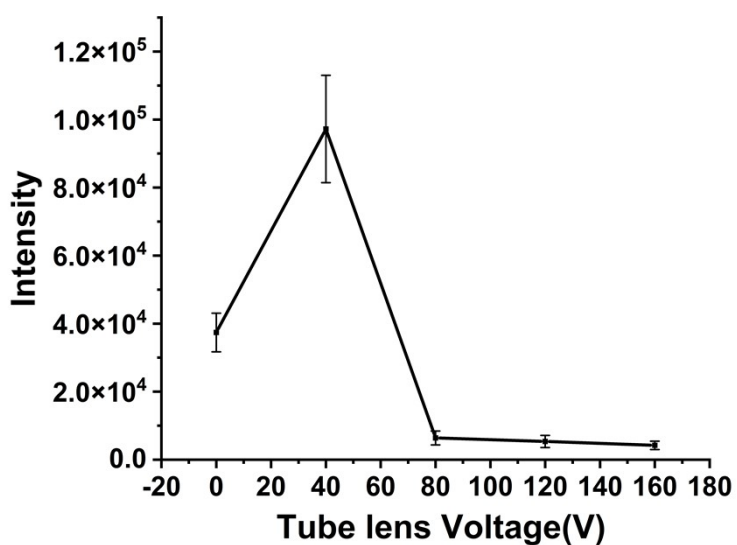


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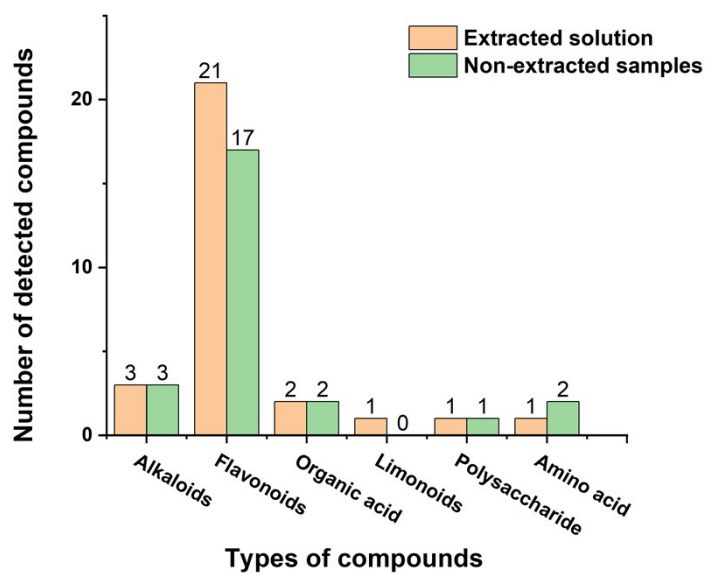
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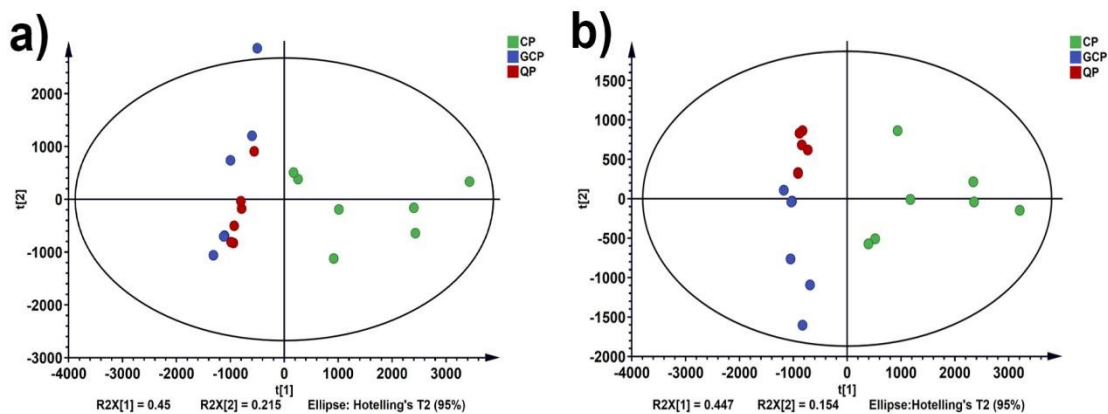
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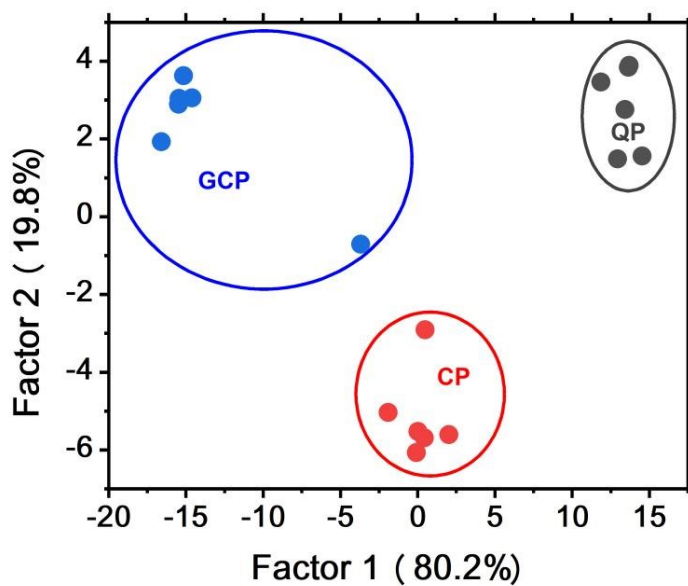
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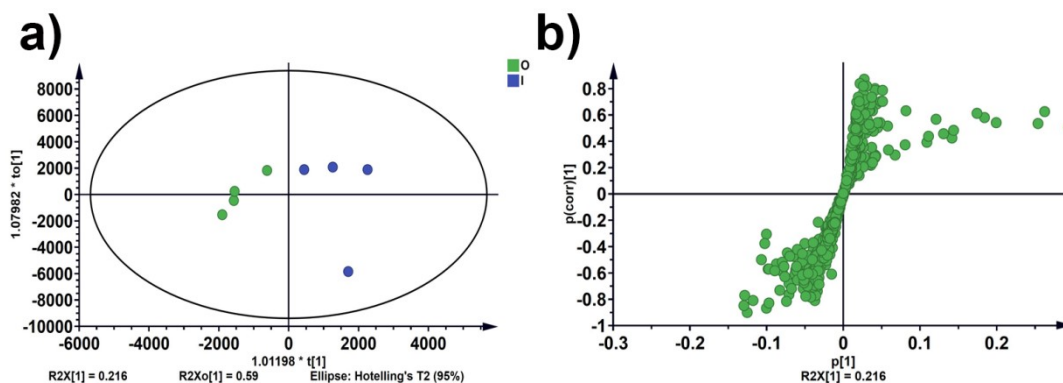
97 between QP, CP, and GCP samples. Samples are coloured based on their name.



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99 **Figure S9** Discriminant function score plot.

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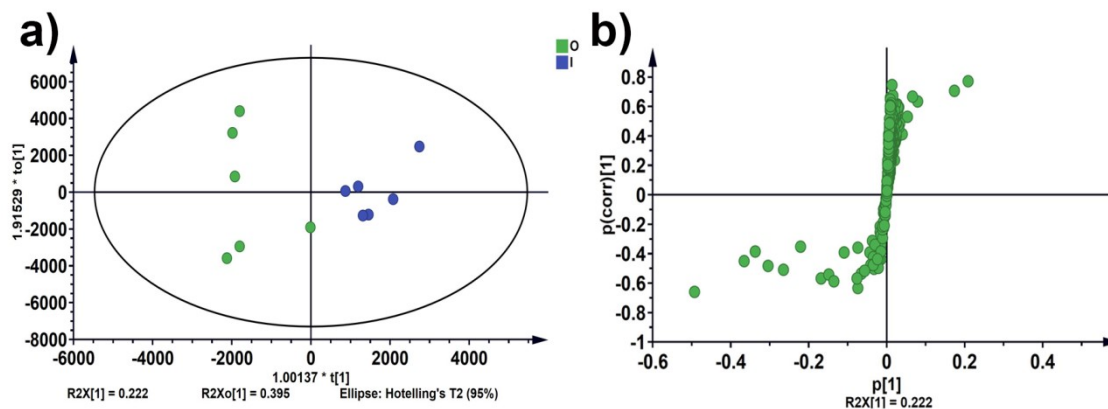


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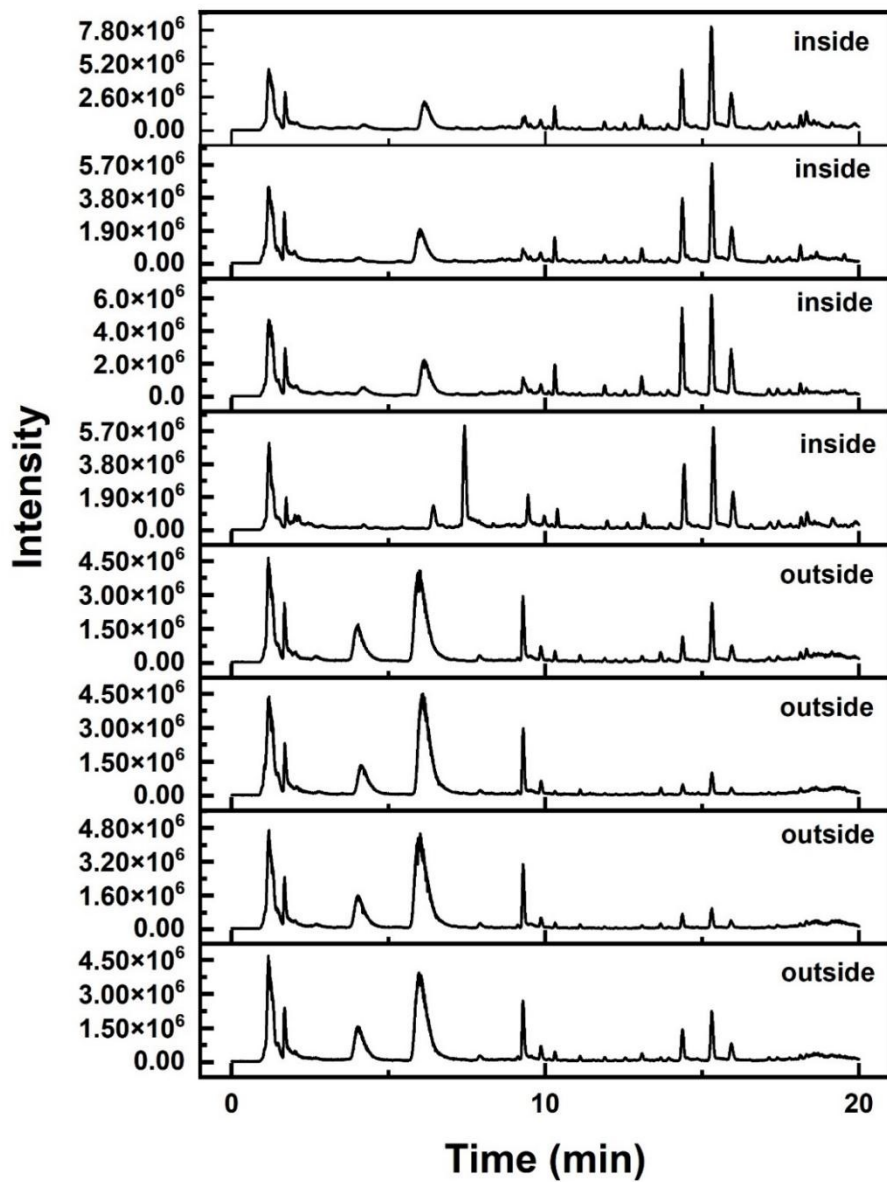
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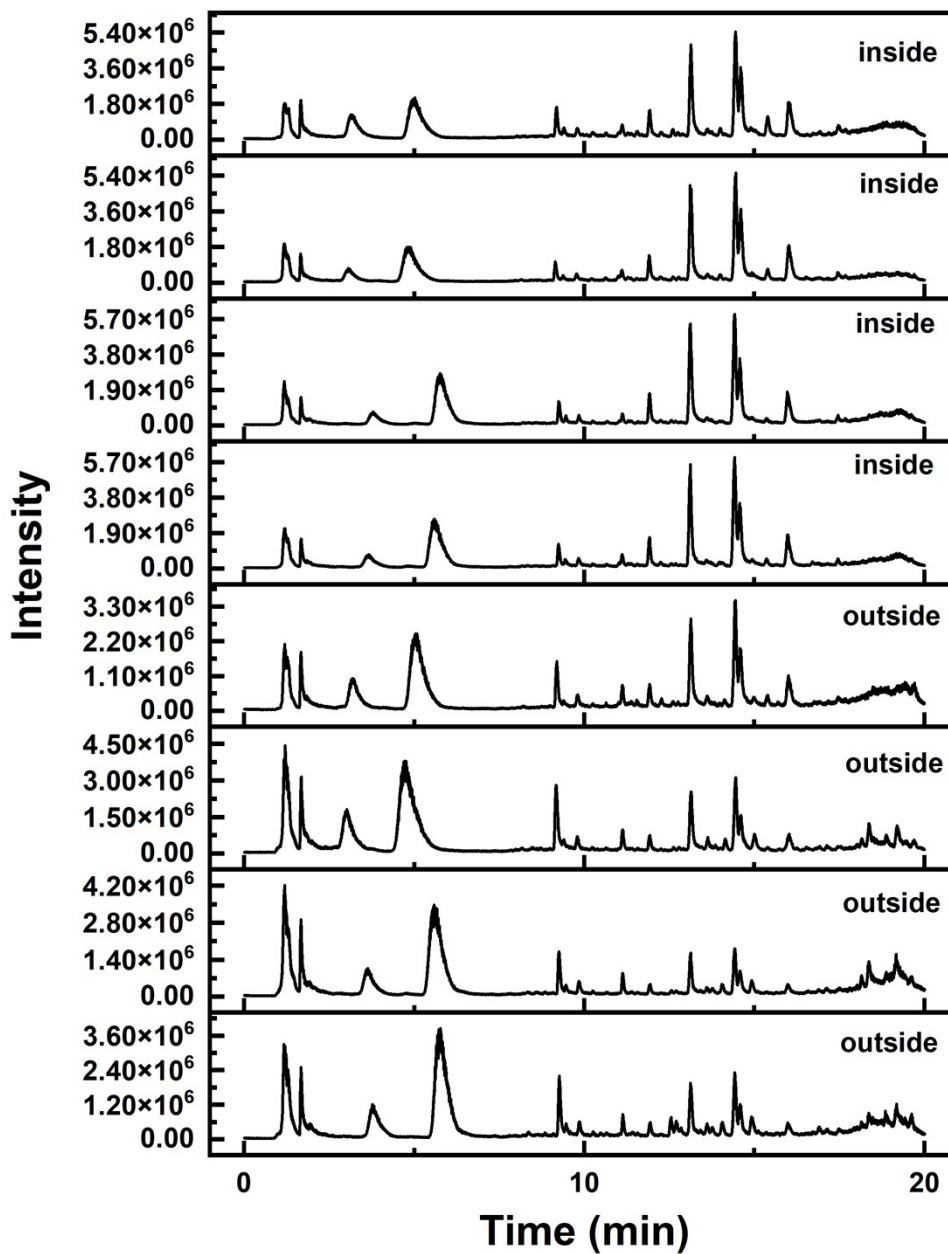


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115 **Figure S12** The results of HPLC-MS inside and outside parts of CP samples.

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119 **Figure S13** The results of HPLC-MS inside and outside parts of QP samples.