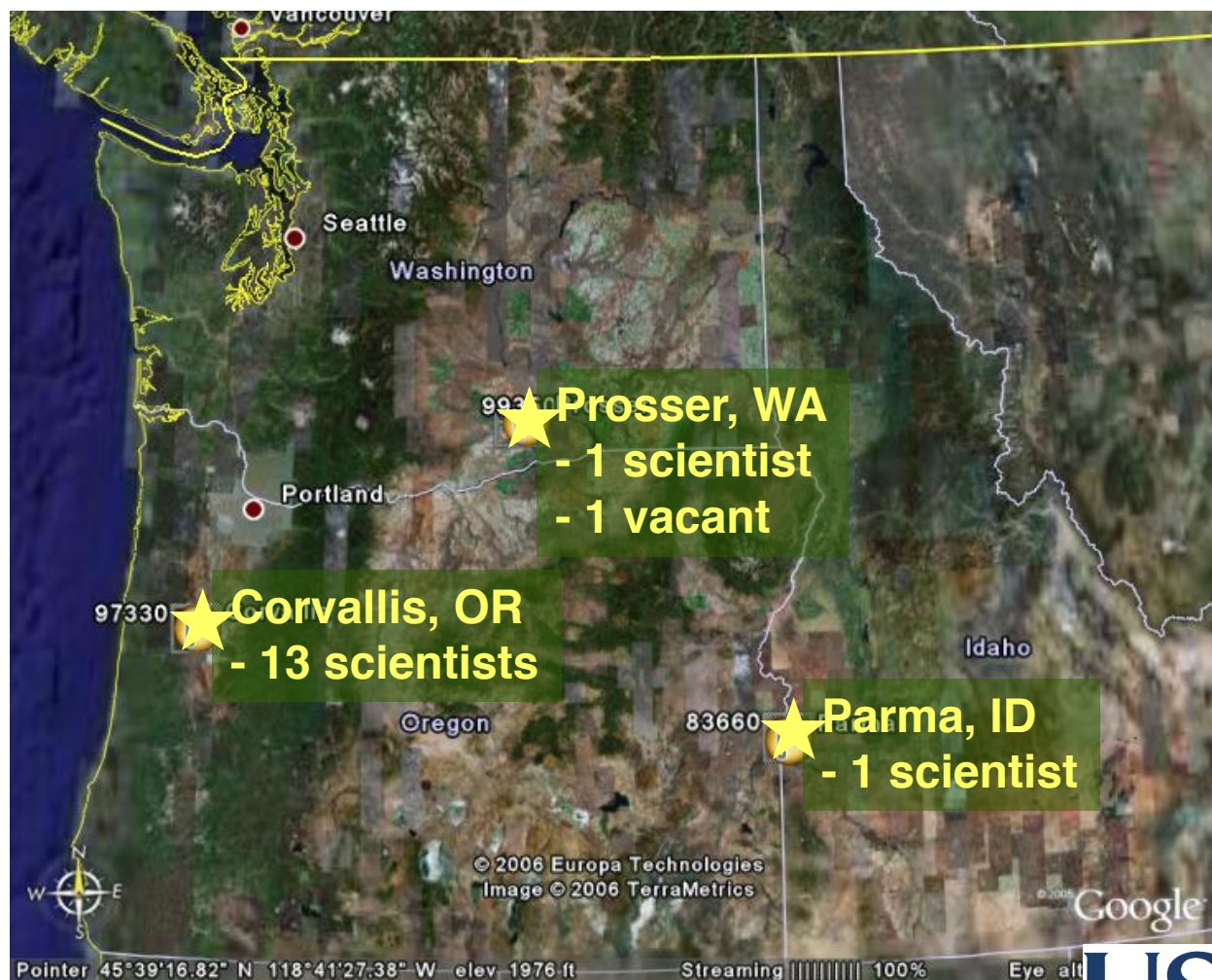


Cranberry phenolics: a crash course

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Over
**100
MILLION**

Americans have
DIABETES or
PREDIABETES

Diabetes can
lead to **heart disease,**
stroke, nerve and
kidney diseases,
and **vision loss**

- Centers for Disease Control
and Prevention, 2017



Some studies
show that

POLYPHENOLS

may help reduce
diabetes risk

- Nutrients.
2016 Jan;
8(1): 17



Study of
DRIED CRANBERRIES
after a high fat/high sugar
meal **improved glucose**
response, inflammation
and oxidation for people
with type 2 diabetes

- Food & Function,
DOI:10.1039/C7FO00900C

GLUCOSE
REGULATION
and INSULIN
SENSITIVITY —
key for
prevention



A trial found that
the **polyphenols** in
STRAWBERRIES and
CRANBERRIES improved
insulin sensitivity in non-diabetic,
overweight people

- Br J Nutr.117(4):519-531



The 
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INSTITUTE™**

The Healing Power of Cranberries

They're good for your heart, teeth, digestive system and overall health. Loaded with antioxidants

**Cranberries are
chock-full of
flavonoids**

**NUTRITIONAL
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Phenolics



Cranberry Phytochemicals = Phytonutrients

- **Phenolics**
 - Proanthocyanidins**
 - Anthocyanin**
 - Flavonol-glycosides**
 - Phenolic acids**
- **Carbohydrates**
 - Dietary fibers**
- **Organic acids**
- **Triterpenoids**
- **Vitamins**
- **Minerals**



Why do plants produce phenolics?



Petunia integerifolia



Petunia axillaris

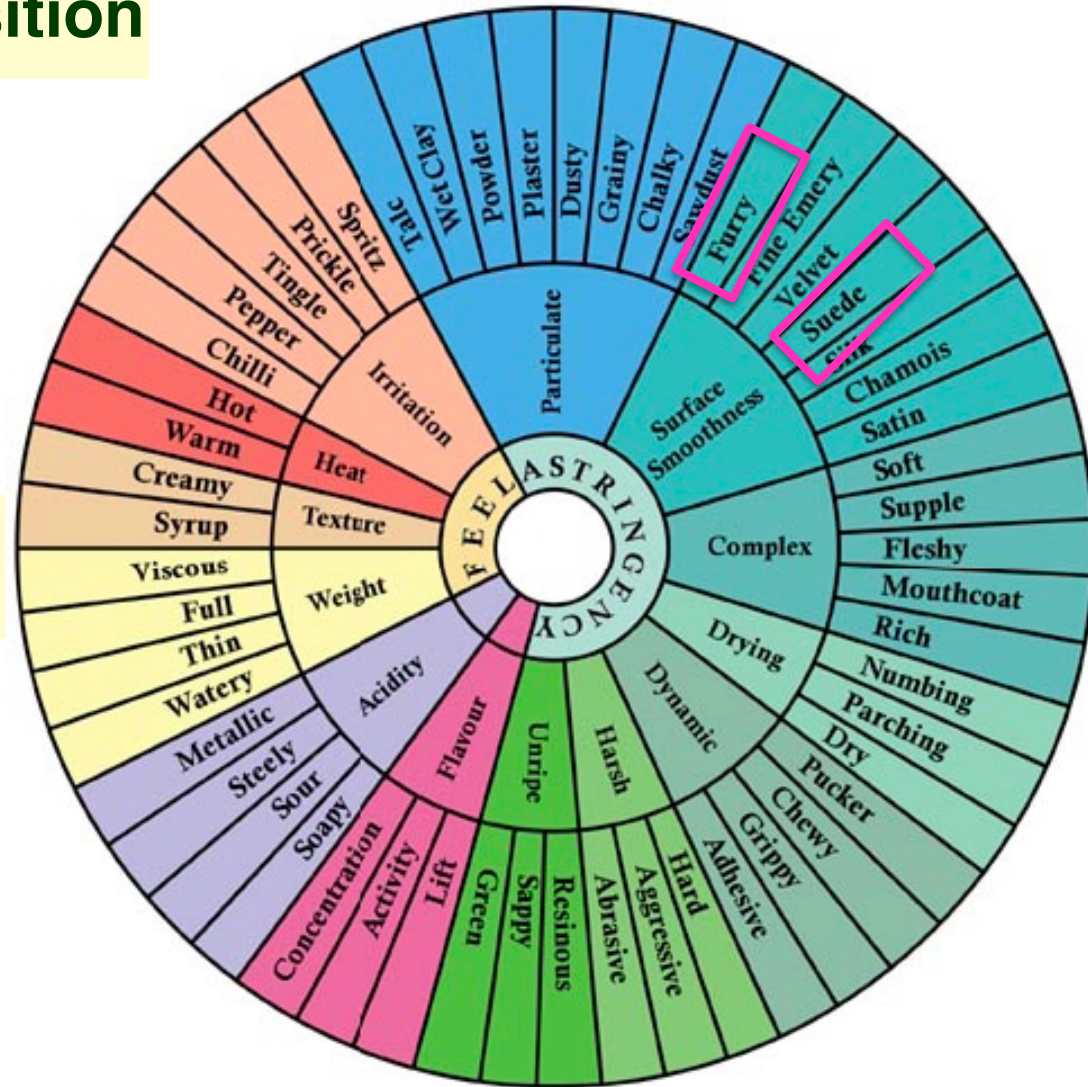
- **Protection against UV**
- **Signaling**
- **Antifungal properties - phytoalexin**
- **Attraction / repulsion for pollinators and seed dispersers**
- **Possible role in plant growth and fruit ripening**
- **Wound healing**

Cranberry juice composition

- Water ~87%
- Other compounds ~12%
- Phenolics ~1%

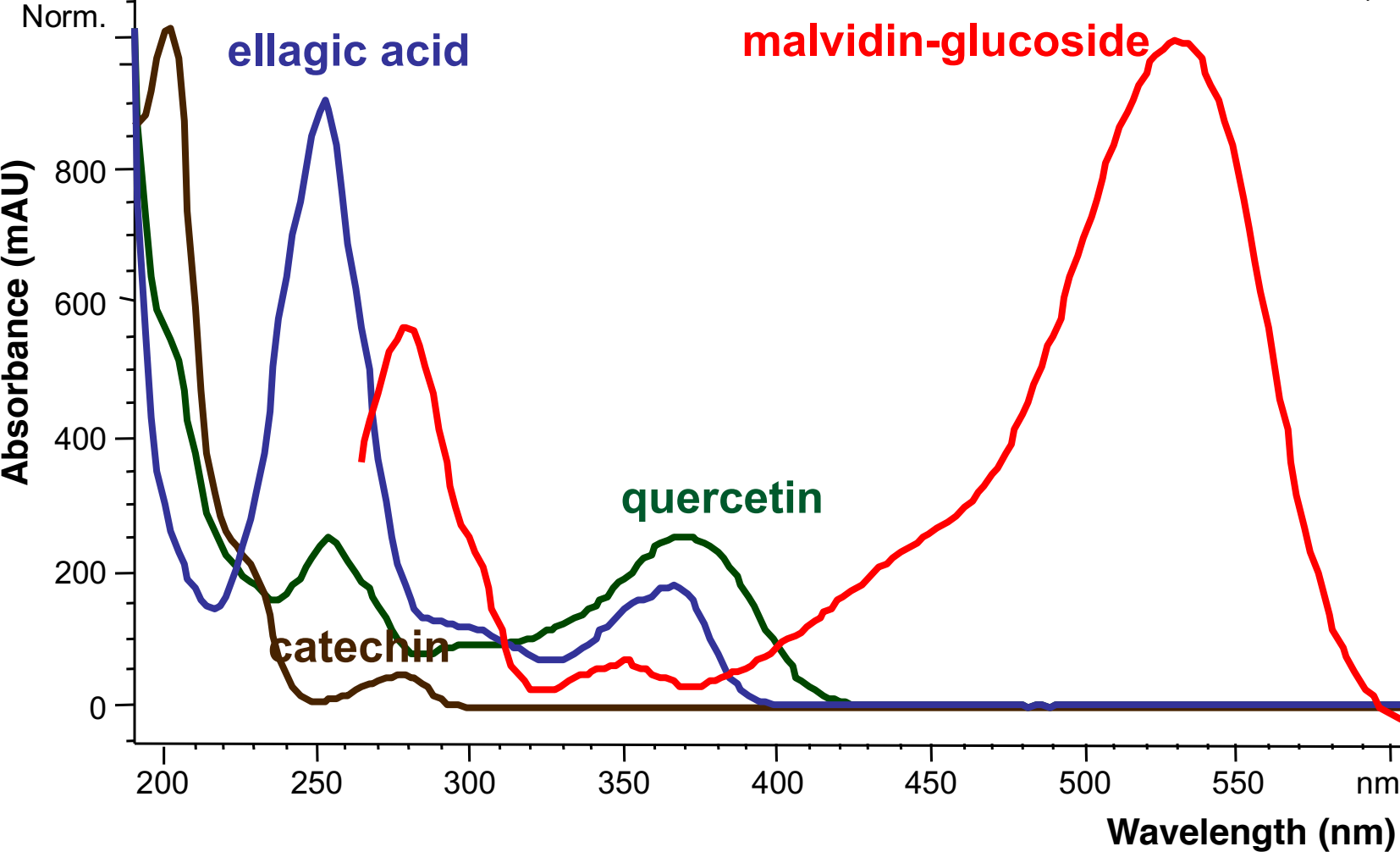
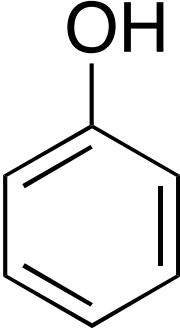
Importance of phenolics

- Taste and mouthfeel (bitterness and astringency)
- Color (appearance)
- Preservative
- Health benefits



(Gawel, Oberholster, & Francis, 2000)

Phenolics = polyphenolics



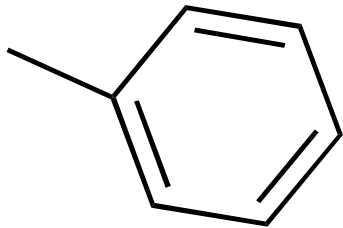
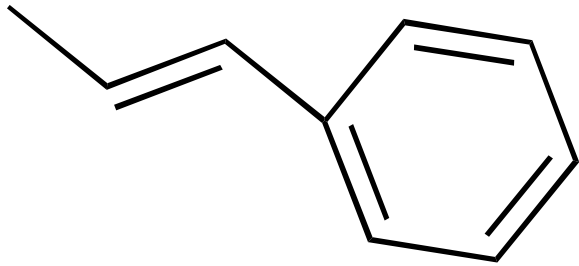
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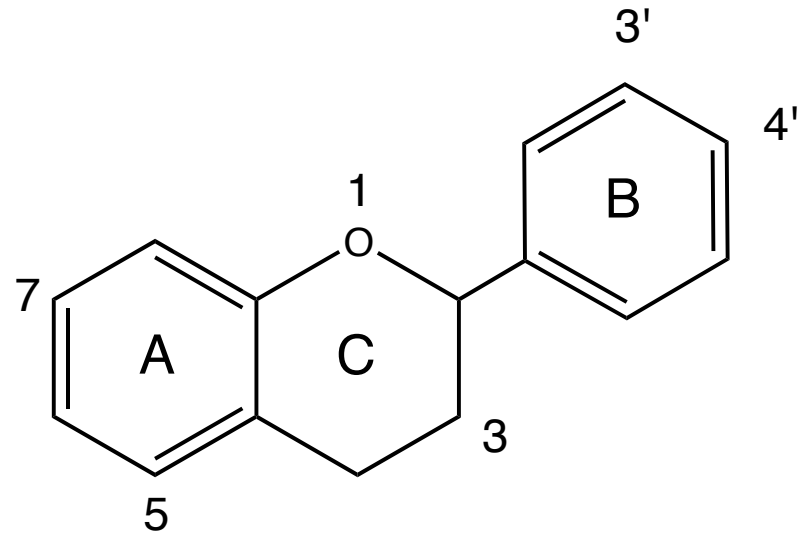
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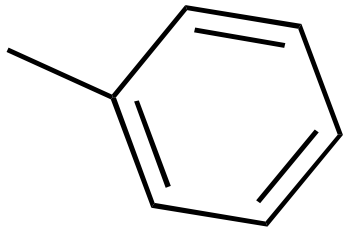
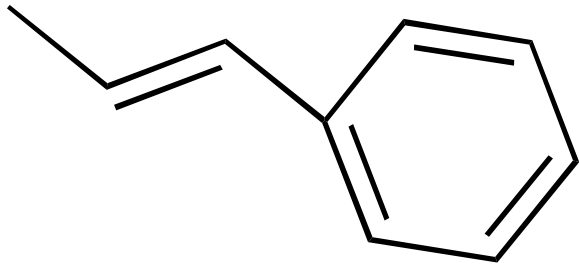
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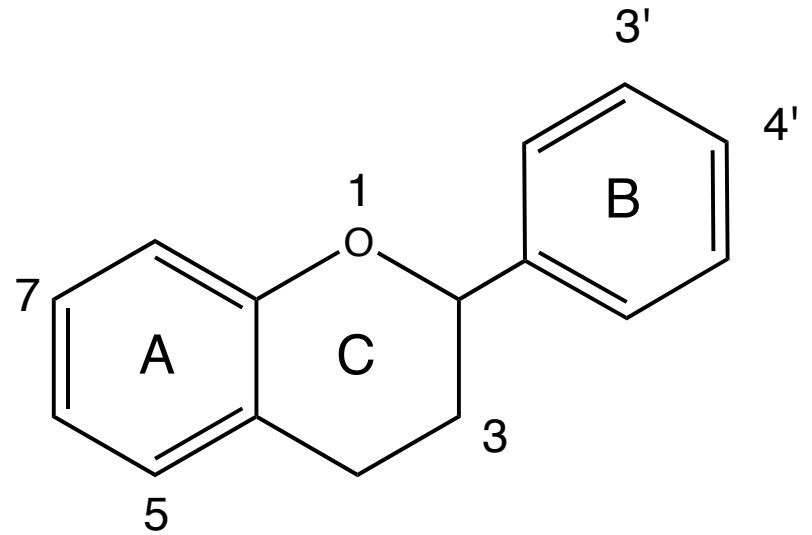
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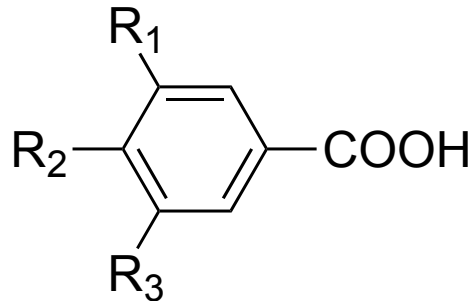


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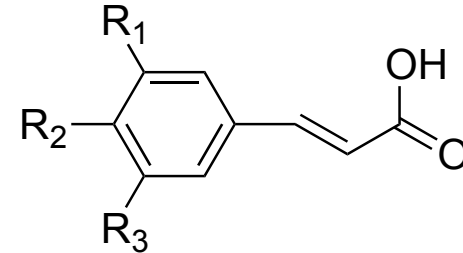
Non-flavonoids (mostly phenolic acids)

Benzoic acids



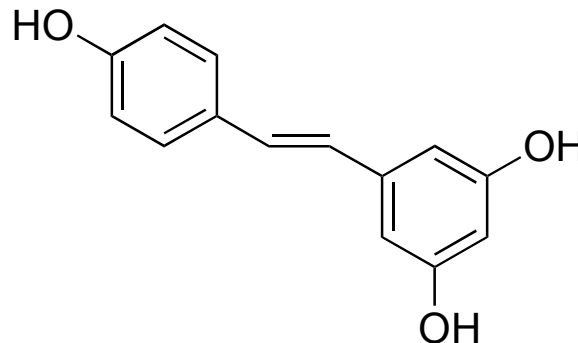
Benzoic acid
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Dihydroxybenzoic acid

Cinnamic acids



p-coumaric acid
Caffeic acid
Ferulic acid
Sinapic acid

Stilbenes



Resveratrol

Non-flavonoids (mostly phenolic acids)

J. AMER. SOC. HORT. SCI. 135(6):494–500. 2010.

Variation in Concentration of Phenolic Acid Derivatives and Quercetin Glycosides in Foliage of Cranberry that May Play a Role in Pest Deterrence

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ADDITIONAL INDEX WORDS. *Vaccinium macrocarpon*, gypsy moth, cranberry weevil, red-headed flea beetle

ABSTRACT. Several insect herbivores have been anecdotally reported to prefer ‘Howes’ cranberry leaves (*Vaccinium macrocarpon*) over those of ‘Early Black’. A series of studies were undertaken to determine whether these anecdotal reports are accurate and to compare phenolic profiles in the foliage of ‘Early Black’ and ‘Howes’ for compounds that differ in concentration and could be further investigated as possible feeding deterrents. Gypsy moth larvae (*Lymantria dispar*) demonstrated a significant feeding preference for ‘Howes’ over ‘Early Black’. Red-headed flea beetle adults (*Systena frontalis*) demonstrated a similar but not statistically significant trend, whereas cranberry weevil (*Anthonomus musculus*) did not prefer either cultivar. Compounds giving rise to six peaks in the phenolic profile were significantly greater in concentration in ‘Early Black’ than ‘Howes’ on at least one of three sampling dates during the growing season. Five of these compounds were isolated from leaves harvested at the June time point coinciding with gypsy moth infestation and identified as: 5-O-caffeoylquinic acid, 3-O-p-coumaroylquinic acid, 5-O-p-coumaroylquinic acid, quercetin-3-O-galactoside, and quercetin-3-O-rhamnoside.



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Cinnamic acids

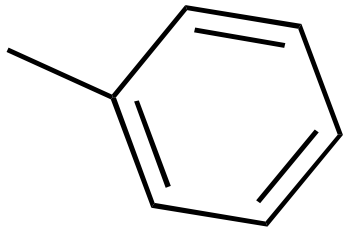
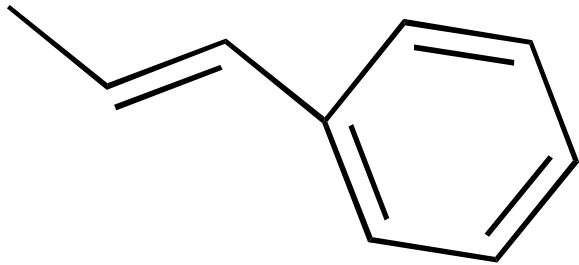
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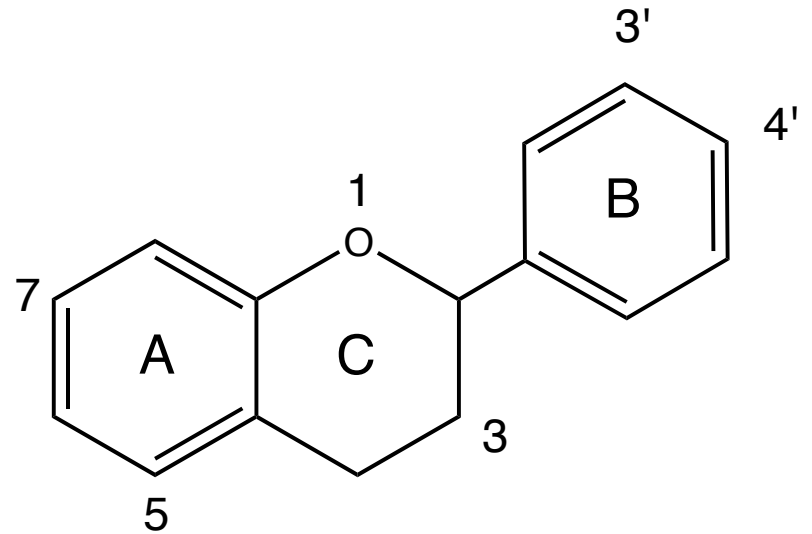
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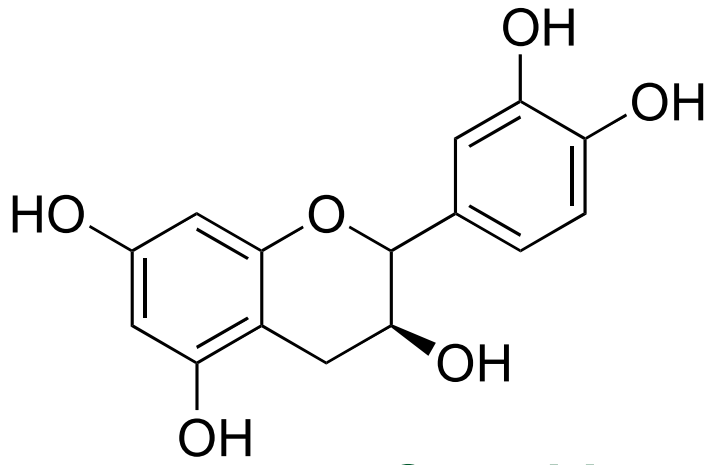
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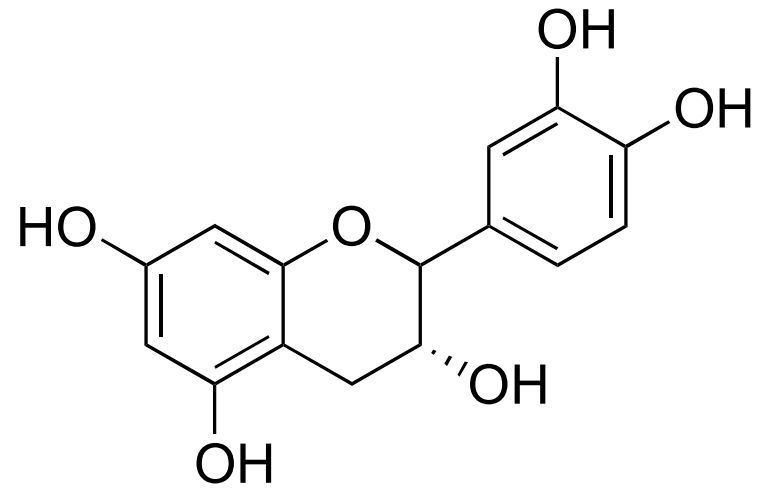
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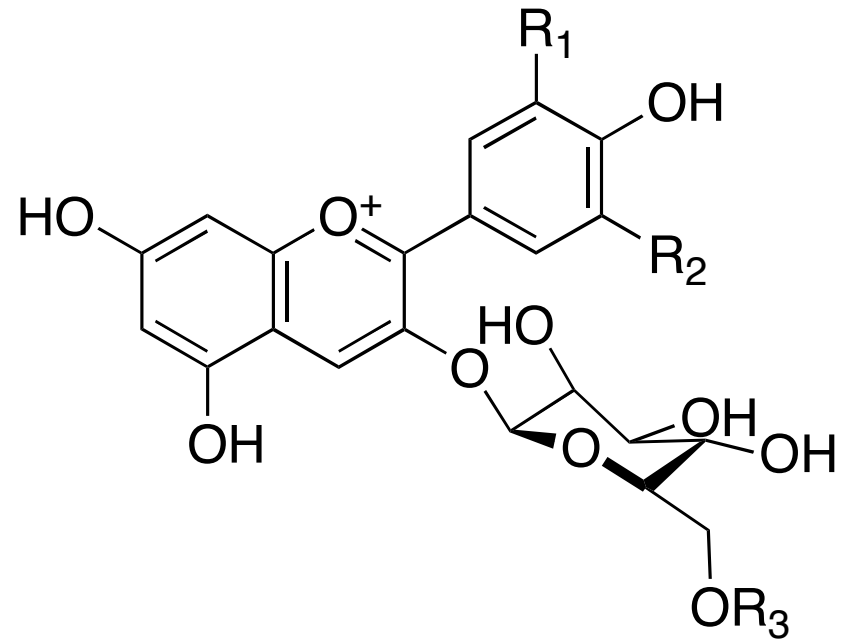
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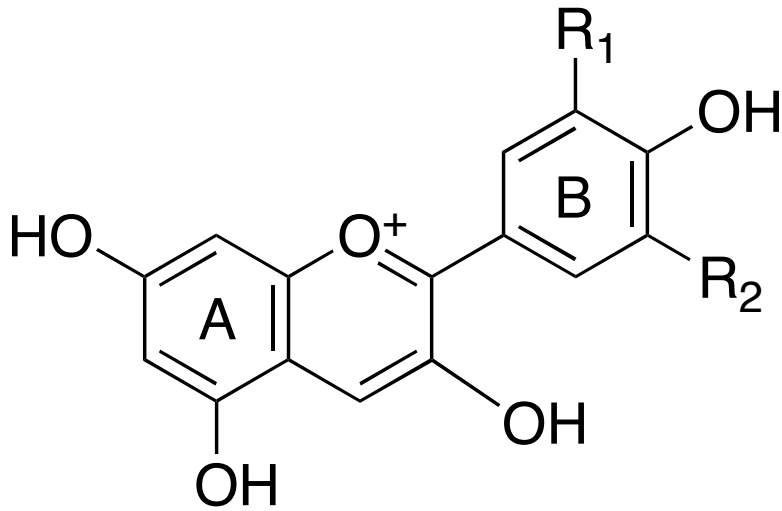
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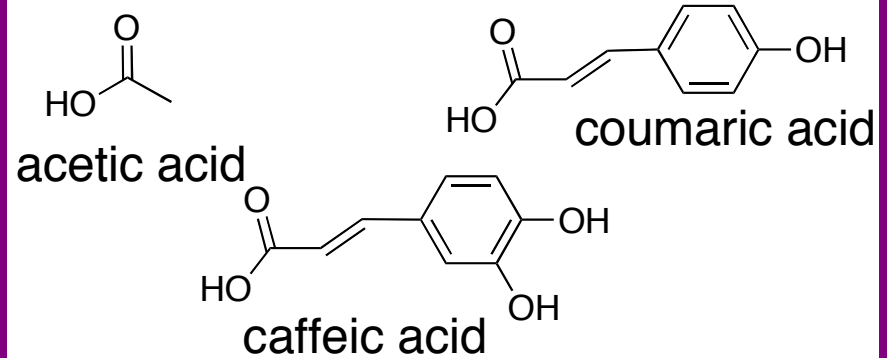
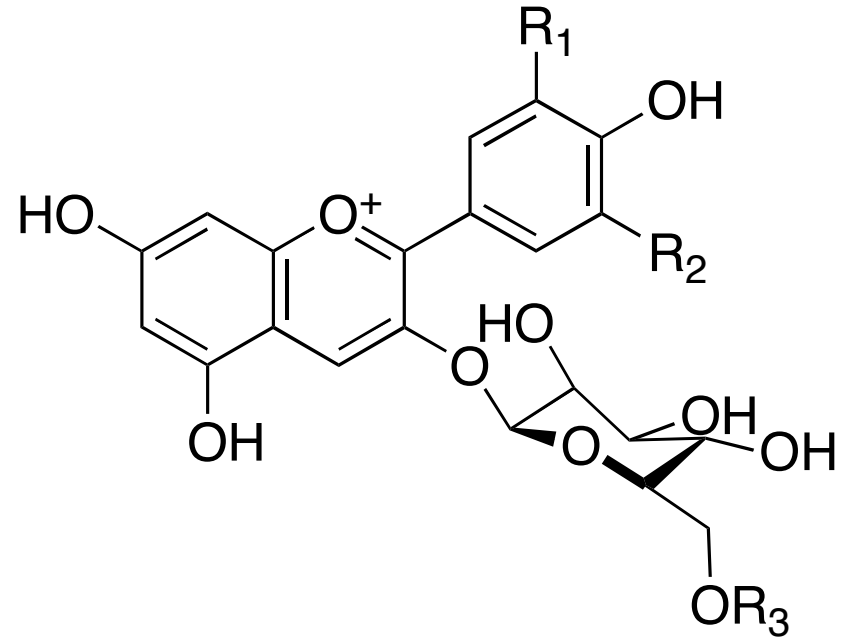
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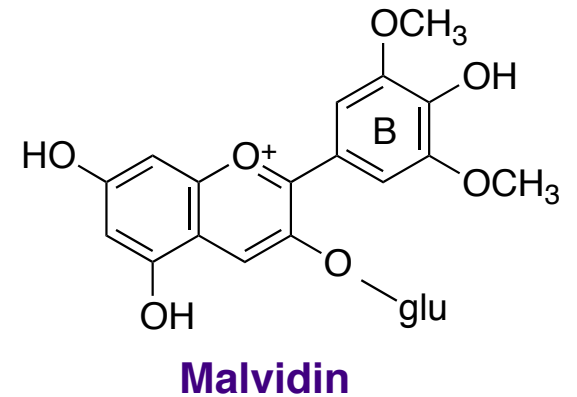
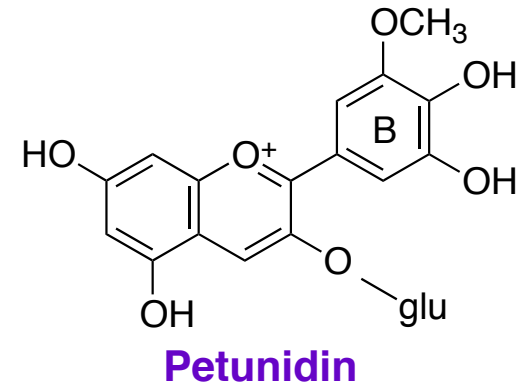
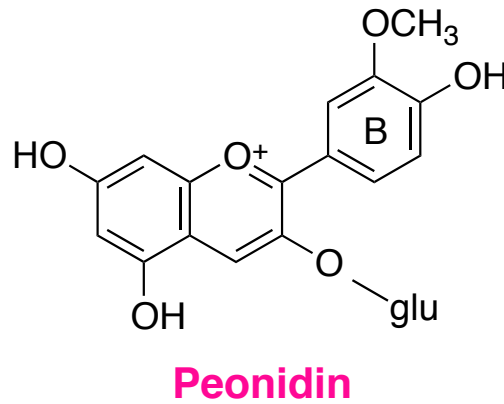
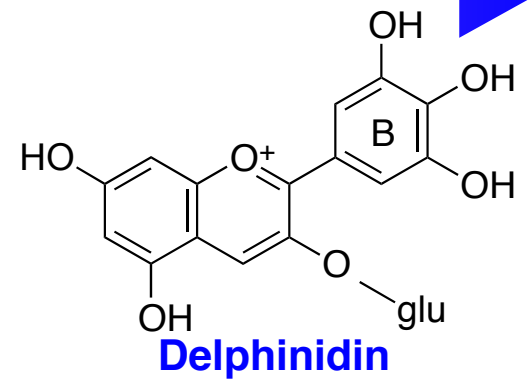
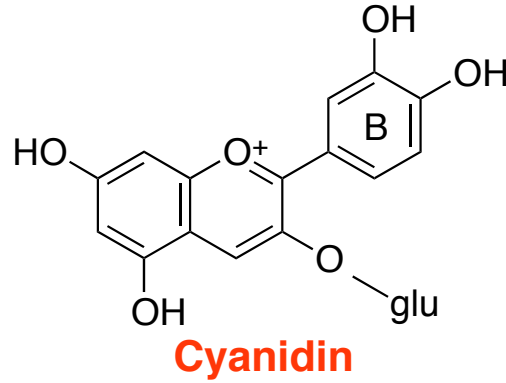
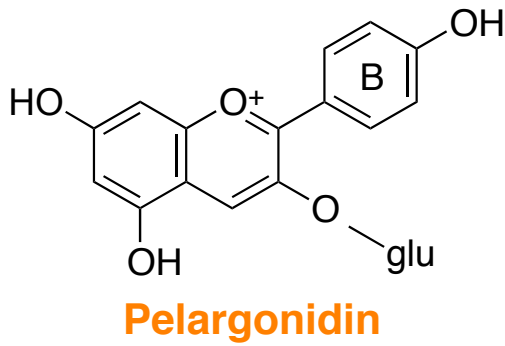
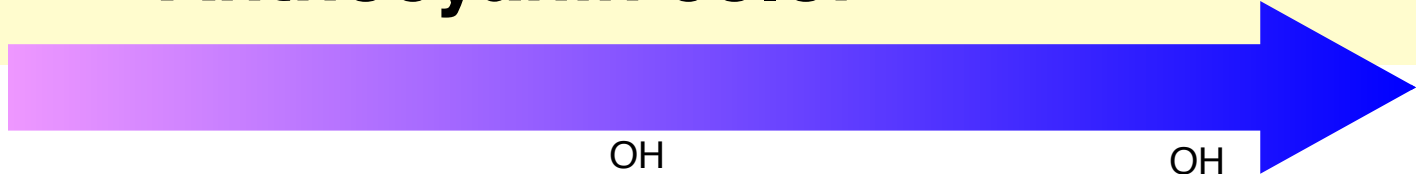
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- Peonidin*
- Delphinidin
- Petunidin
- Malvidin

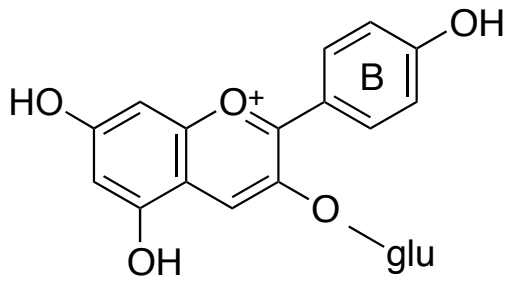
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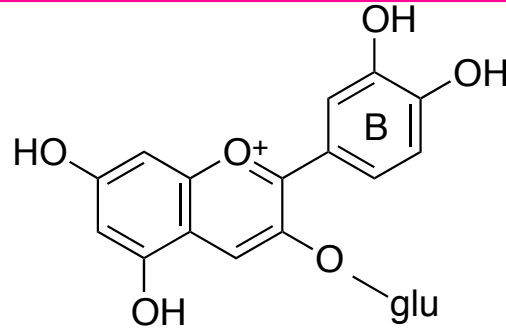
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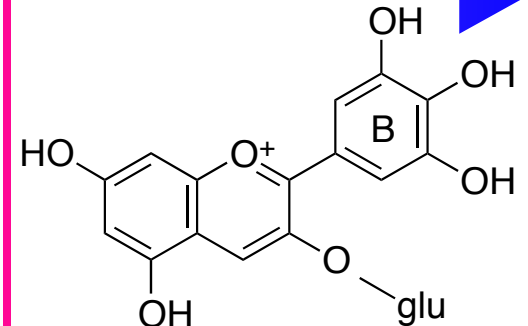
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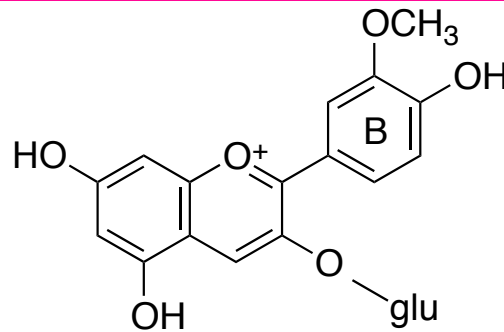
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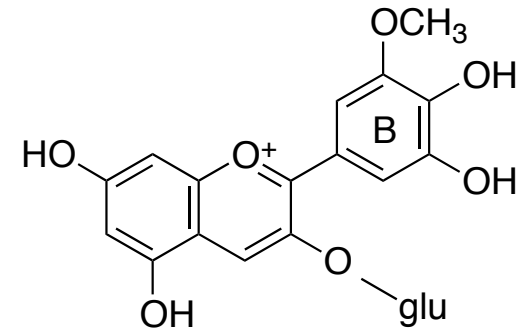
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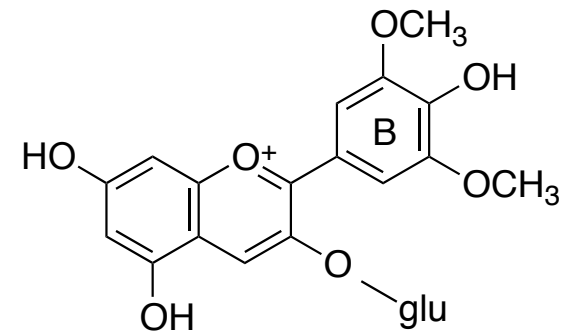
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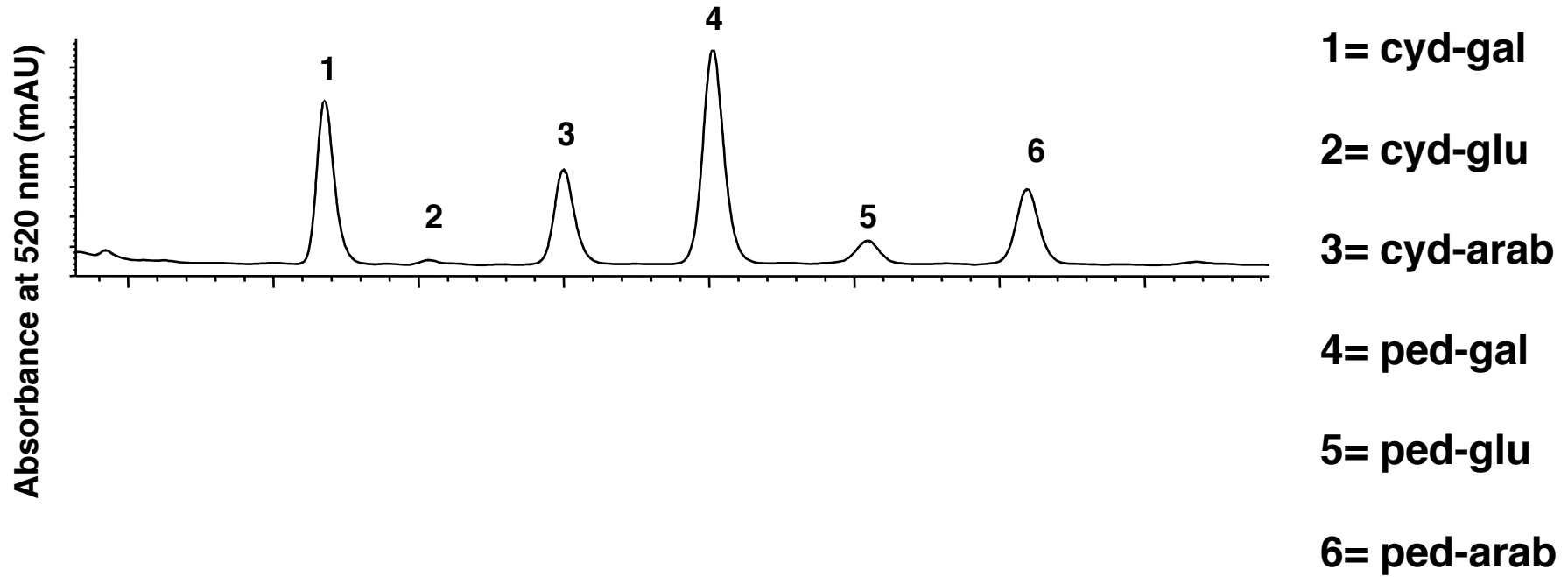


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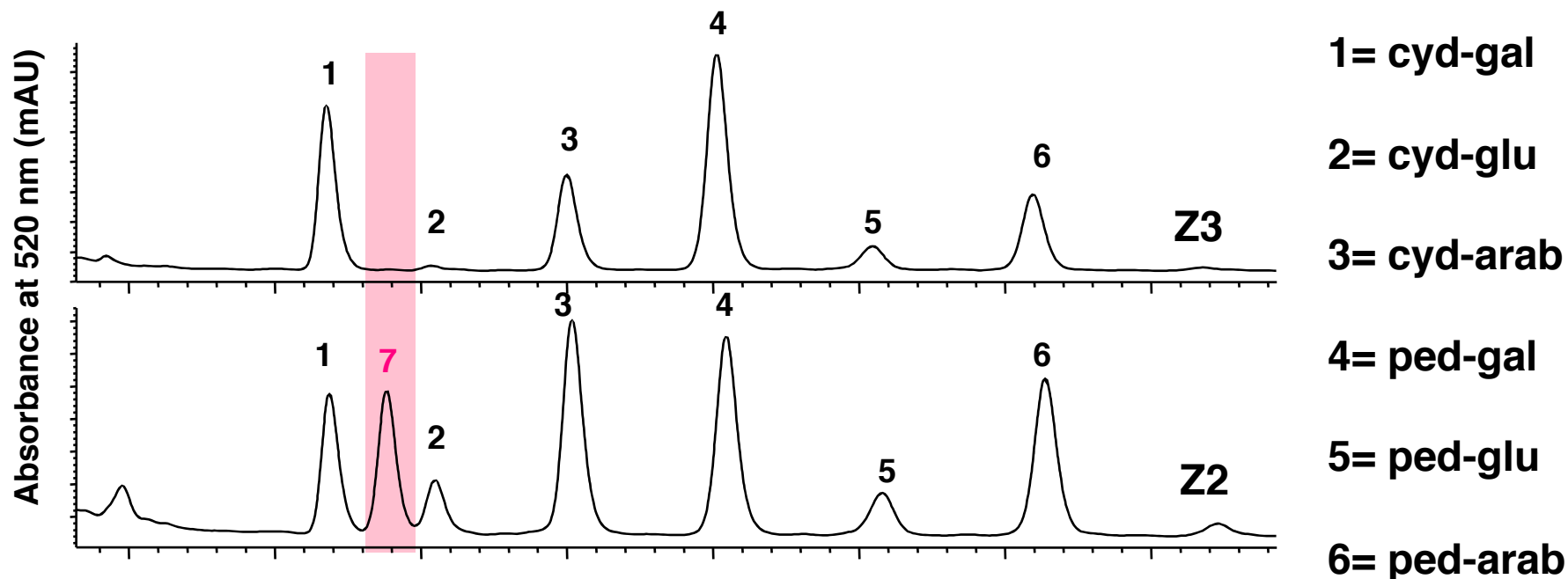
American cranberry product authenticity



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Sample “Z3” typical cranberry fruit / juice anthocyanin profile

Peak 7 = peak not found in American cranberry fruit

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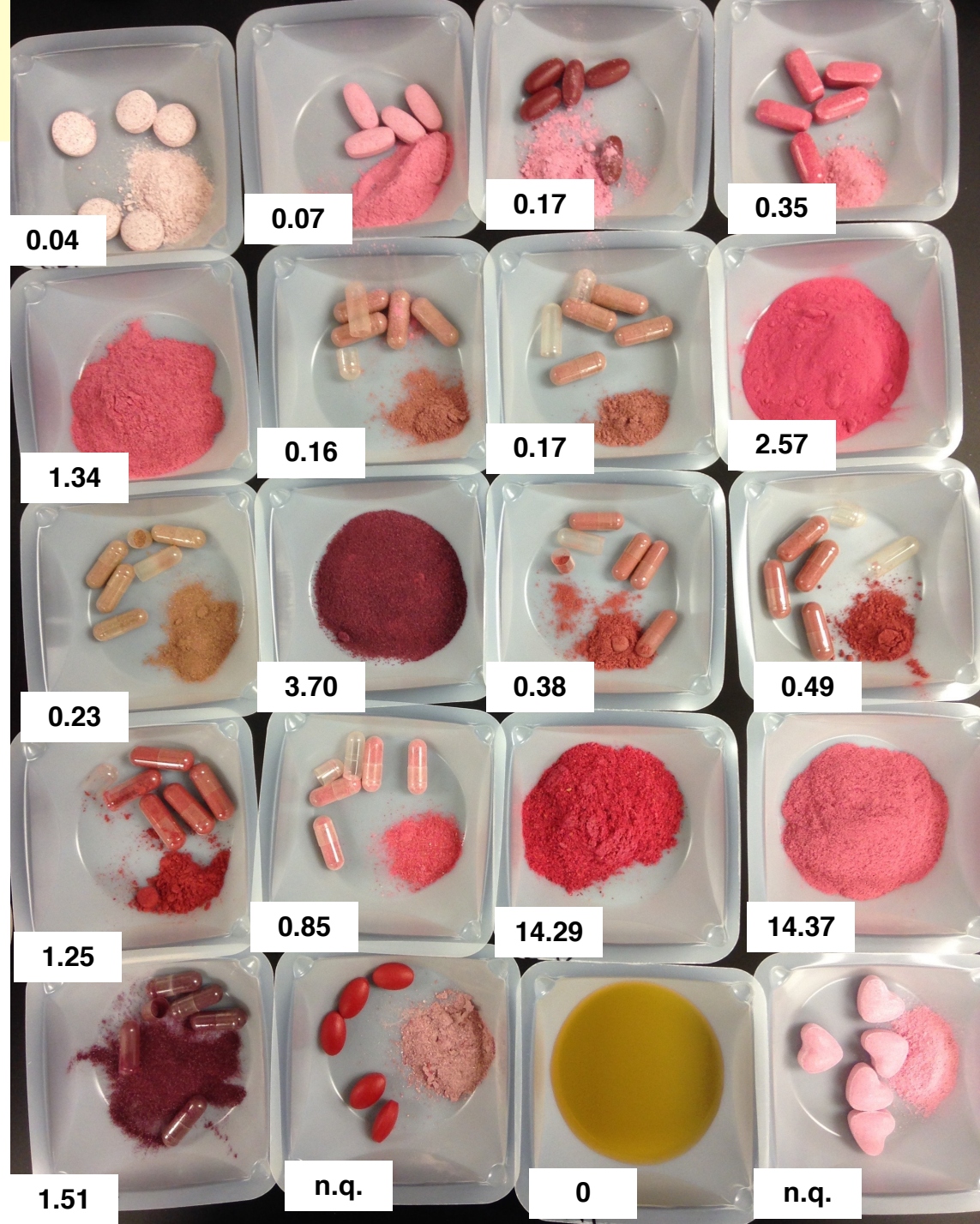


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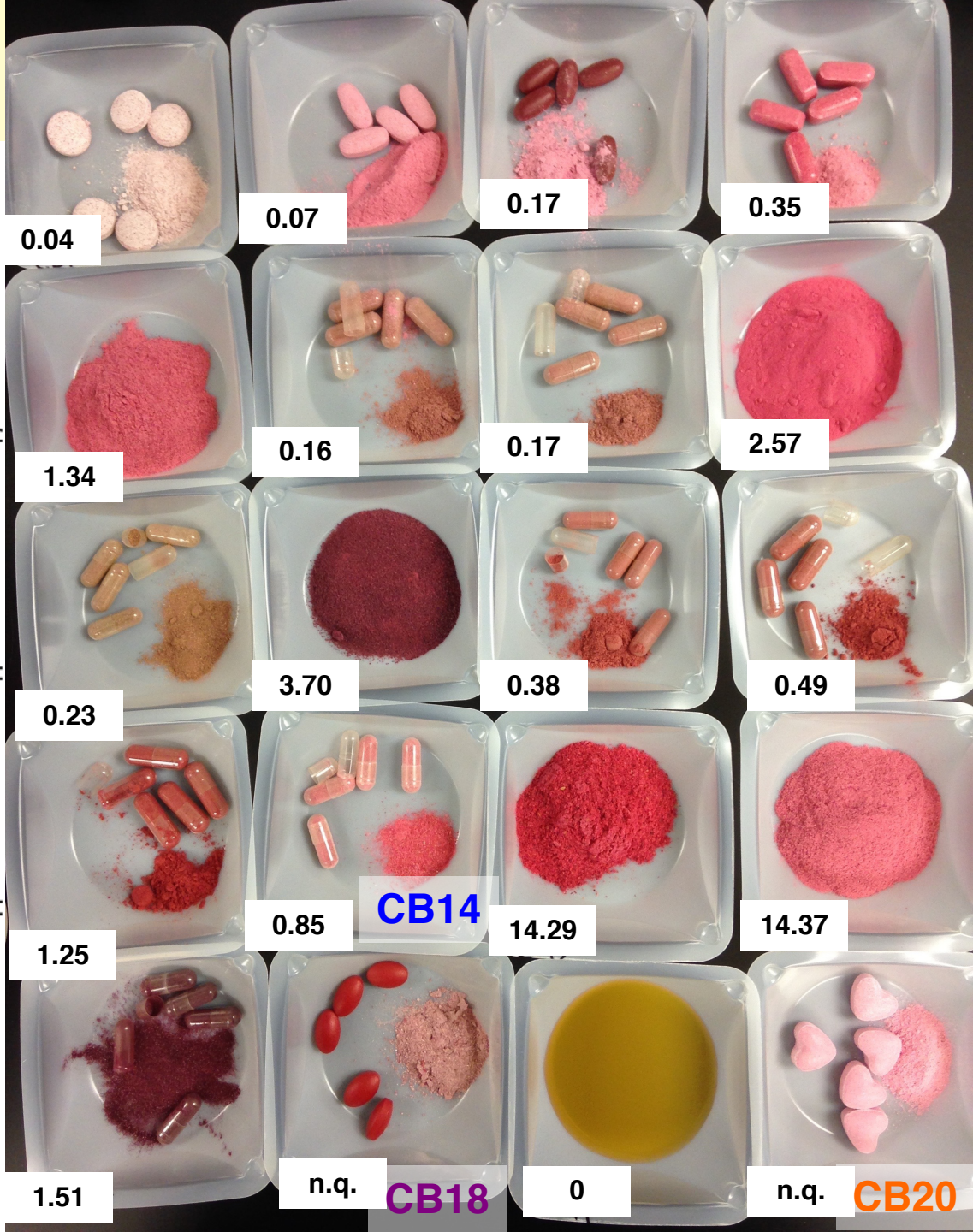
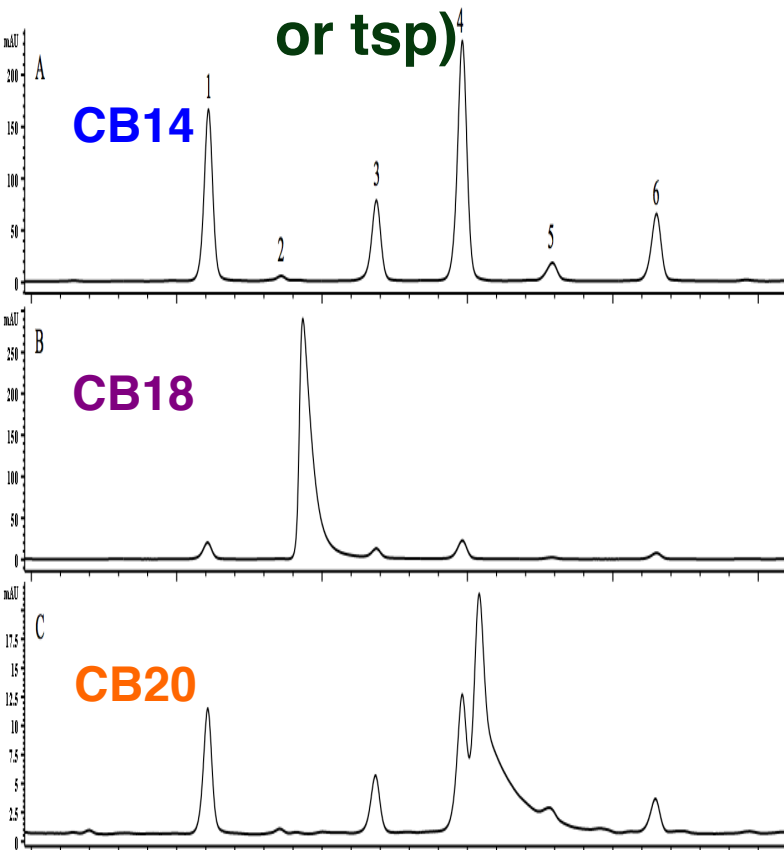
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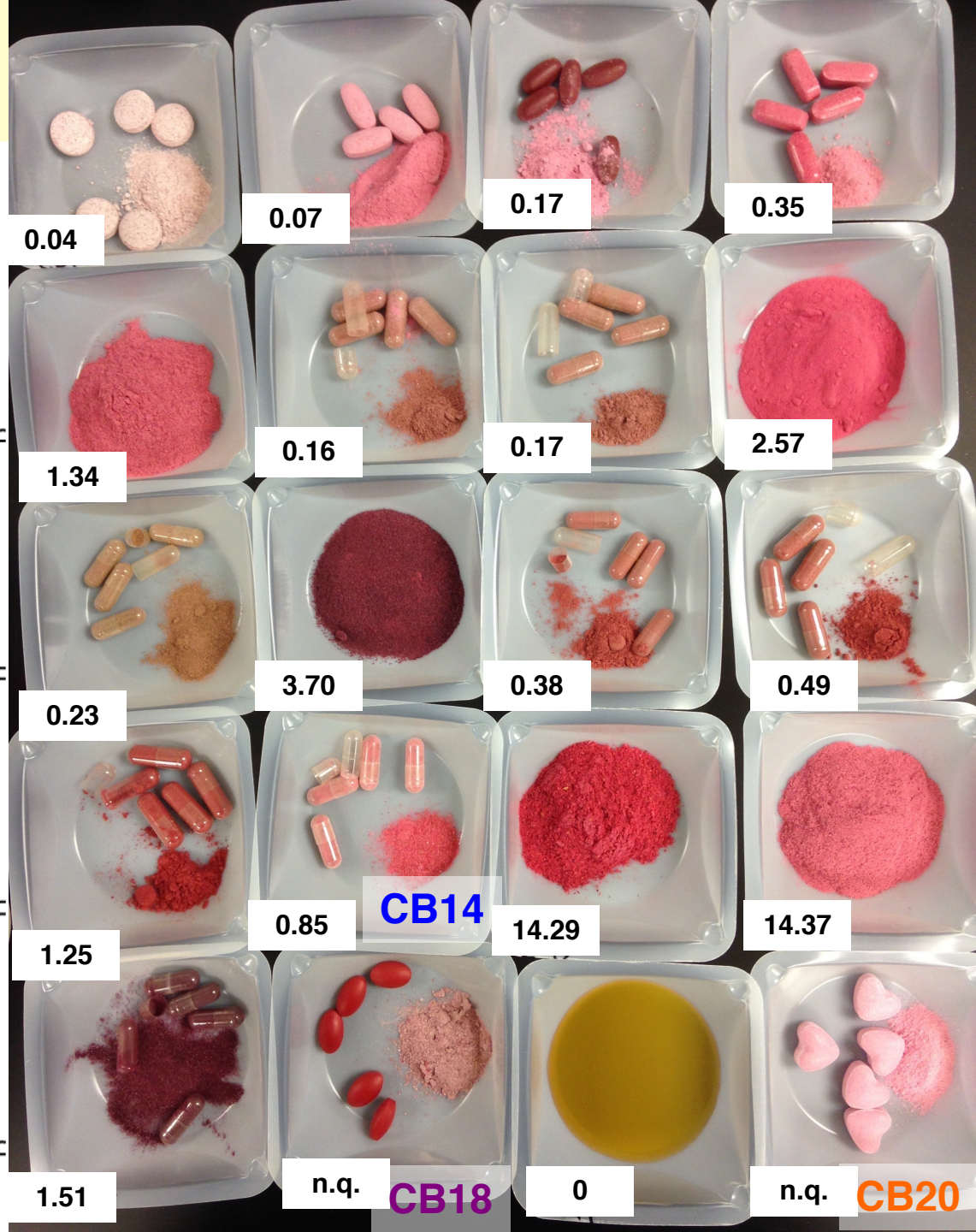
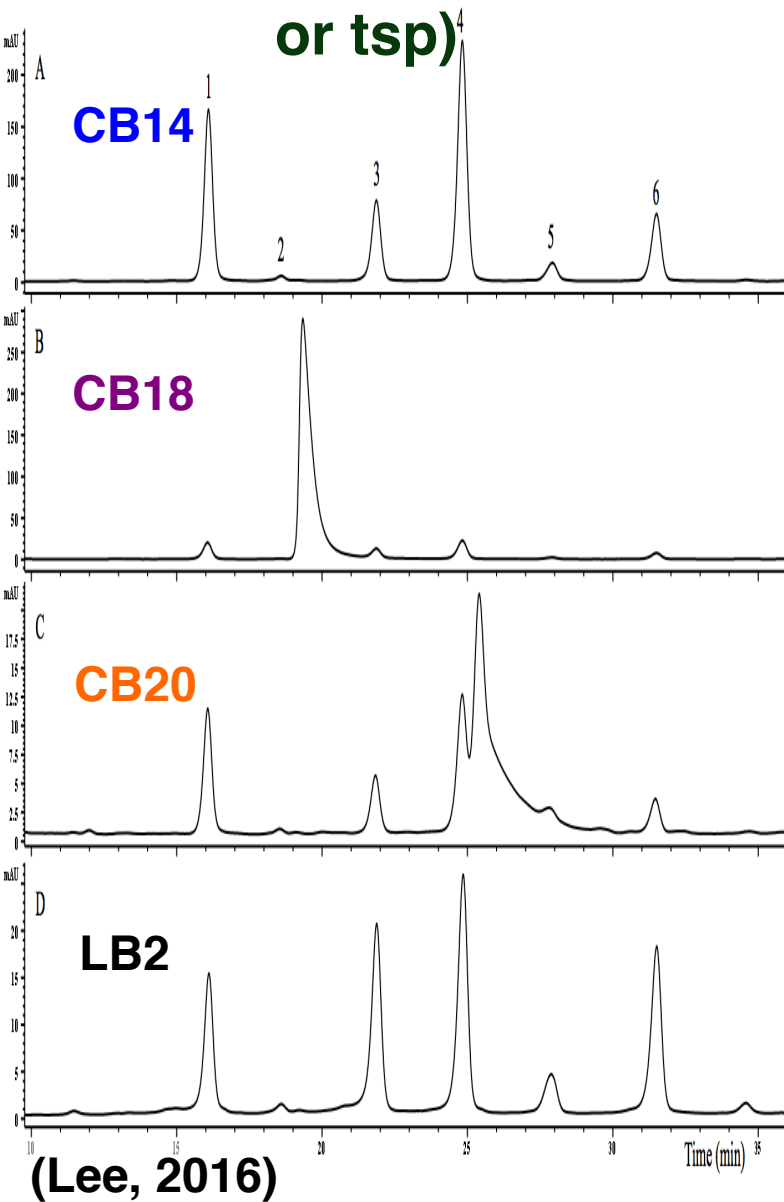
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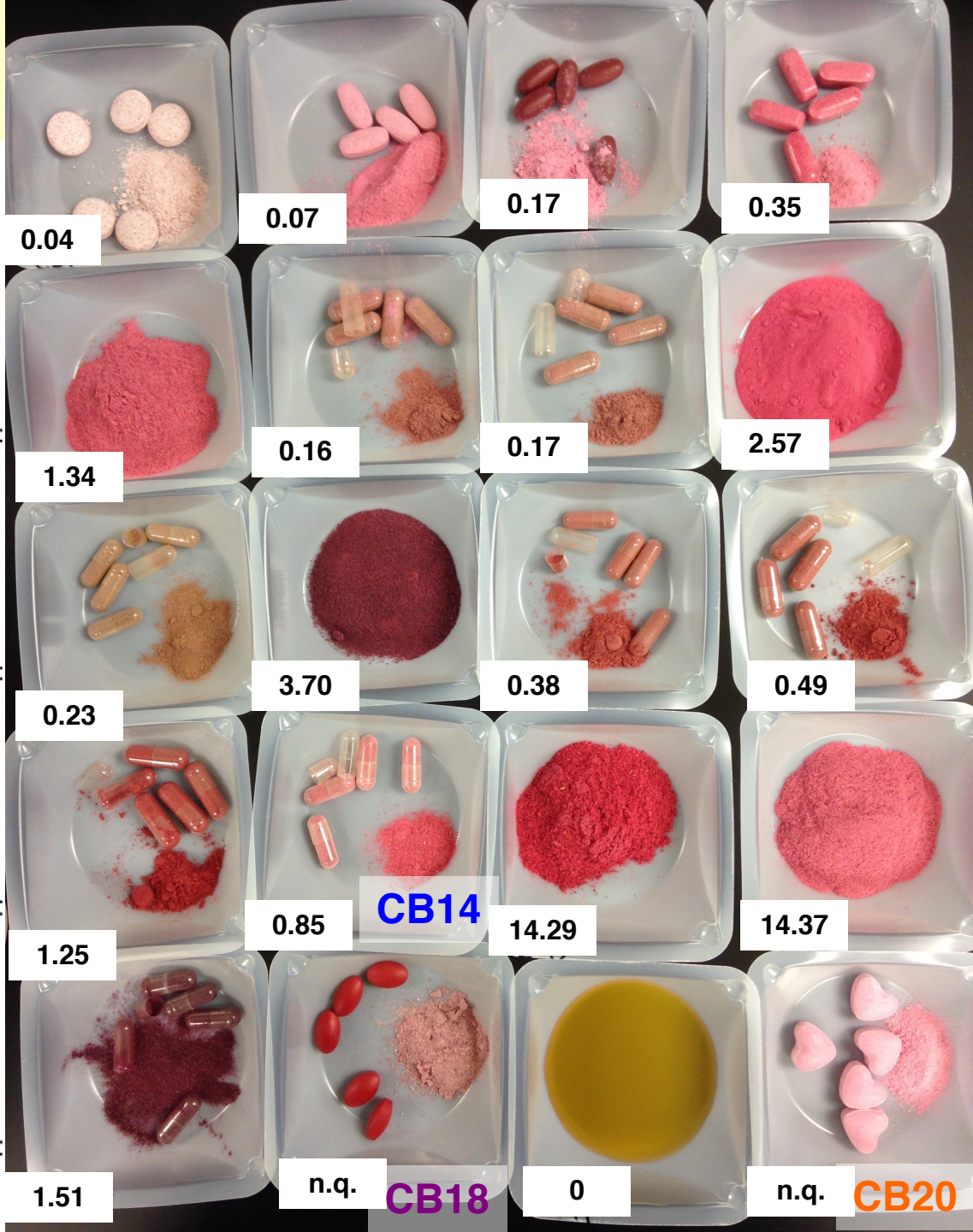
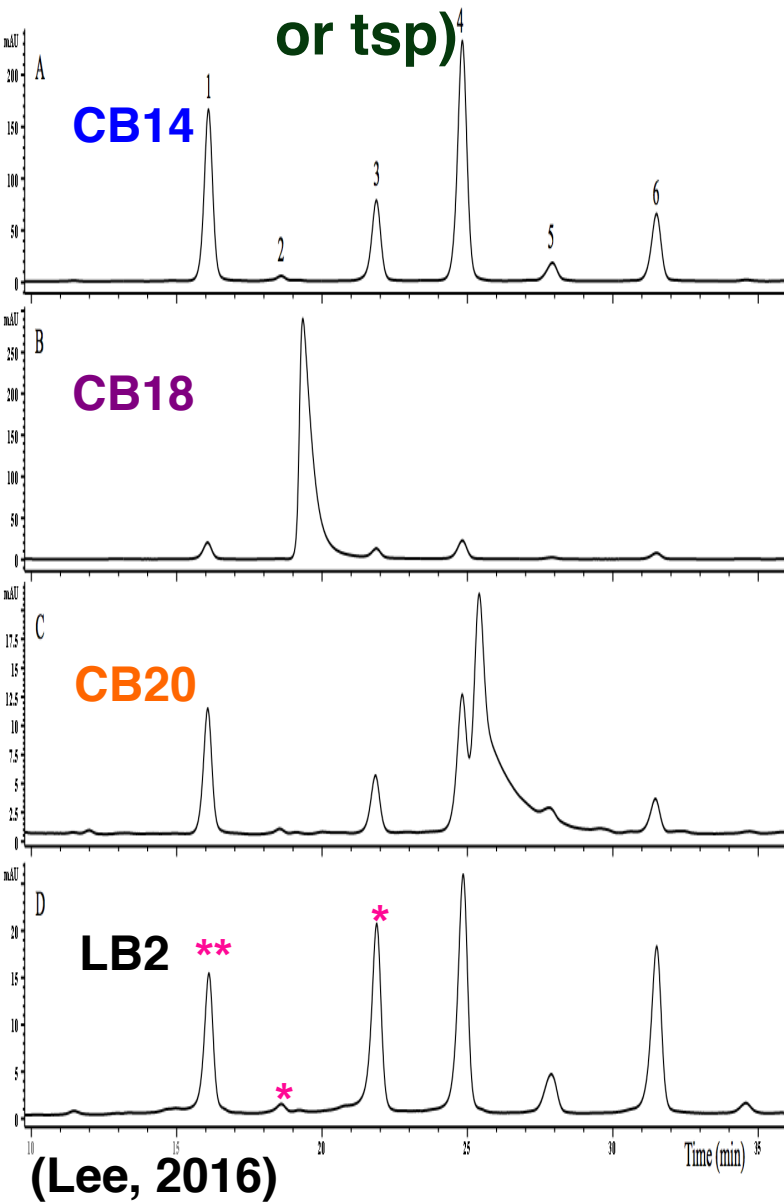


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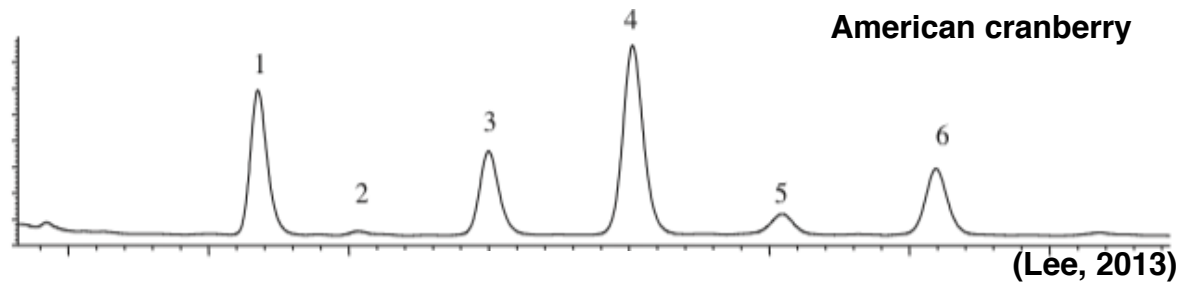
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dpd	-	+
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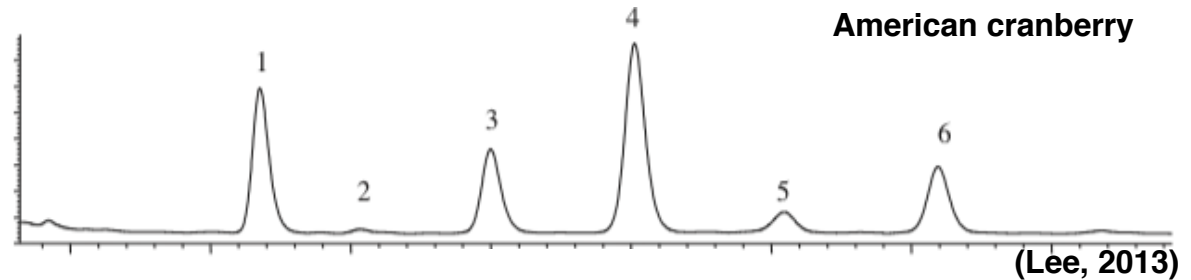


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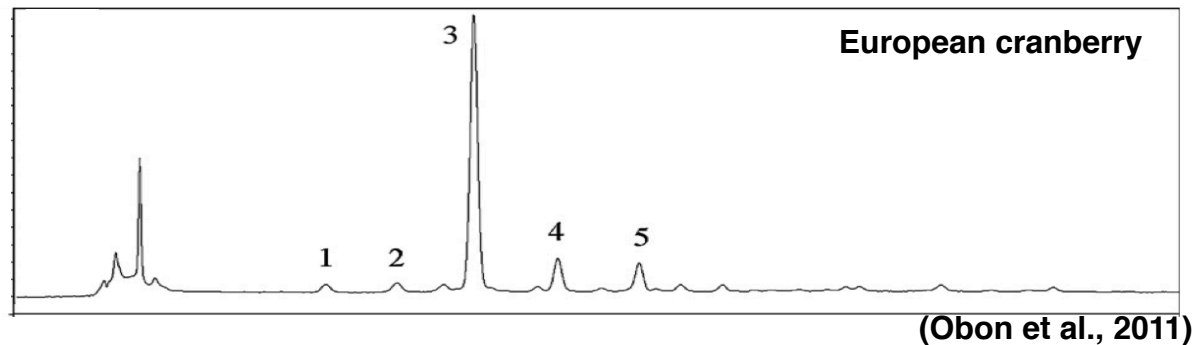


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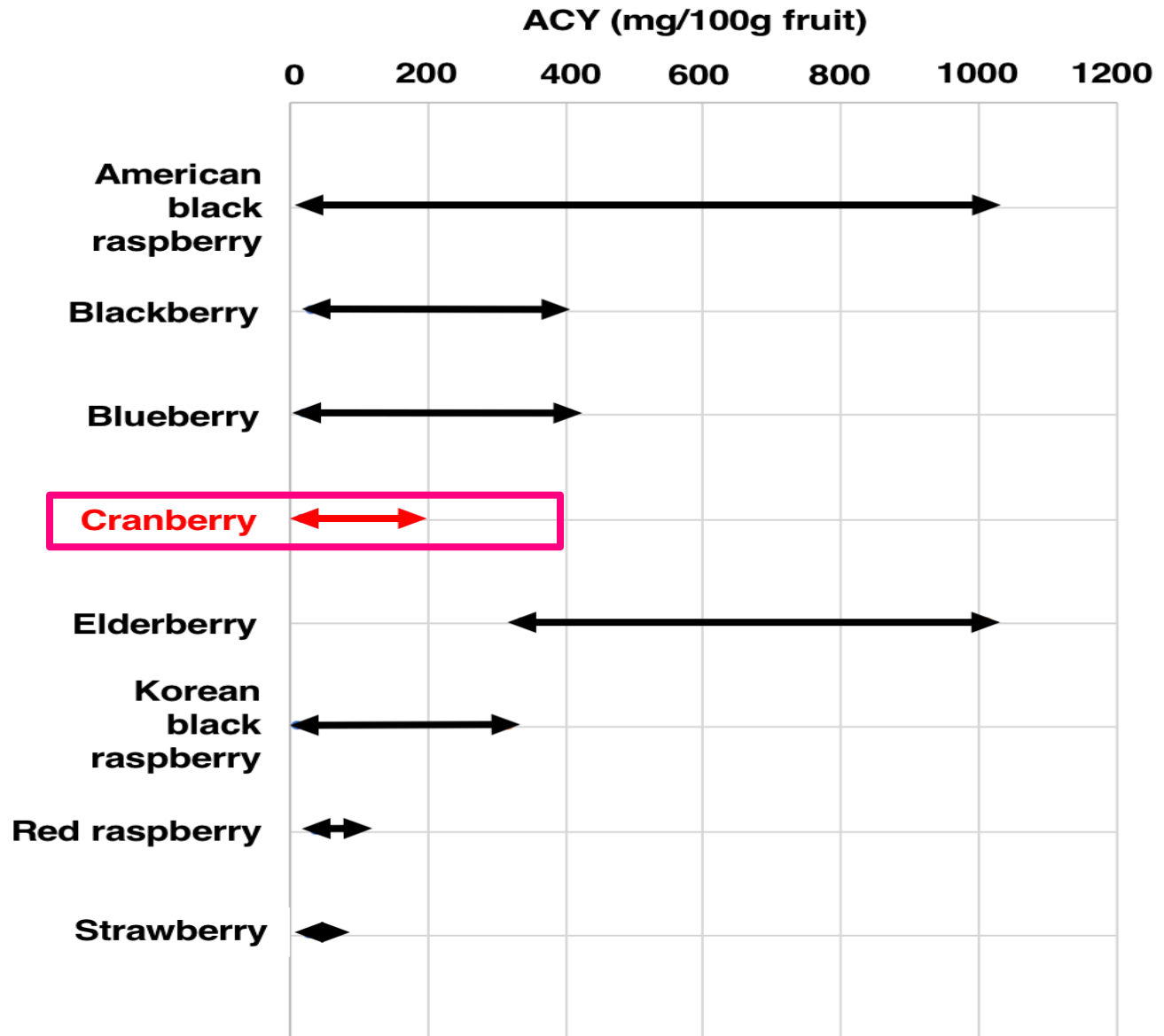
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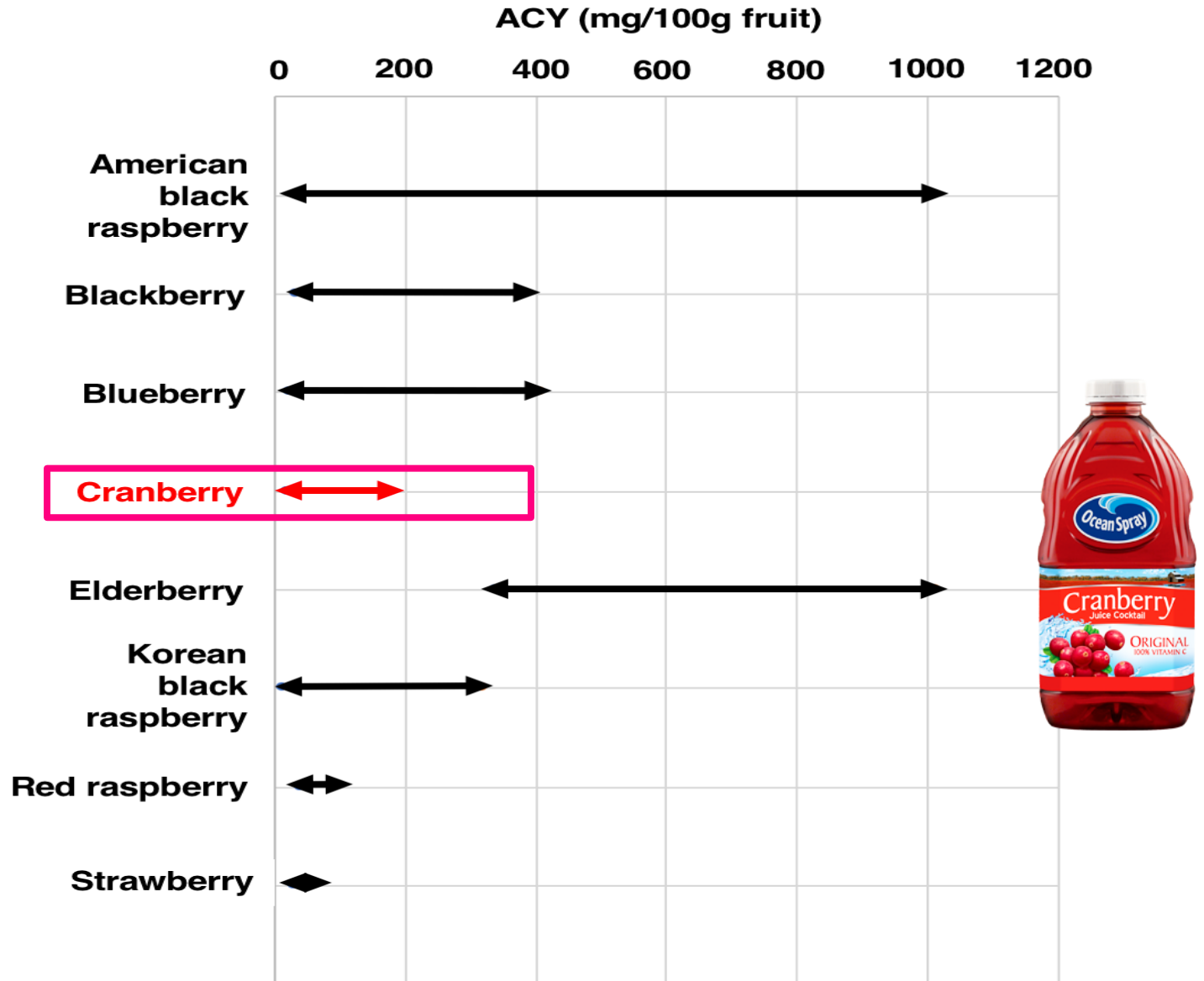


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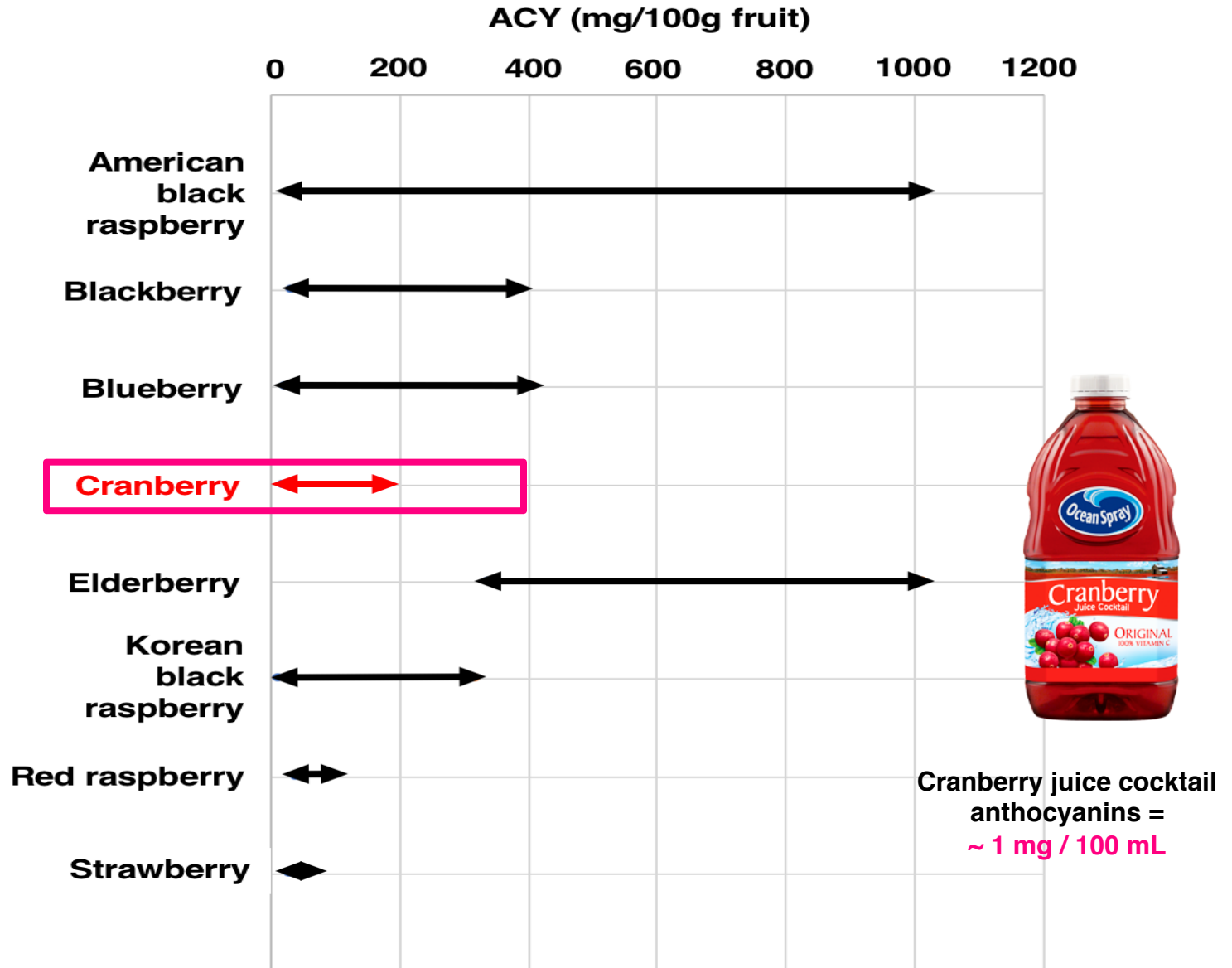
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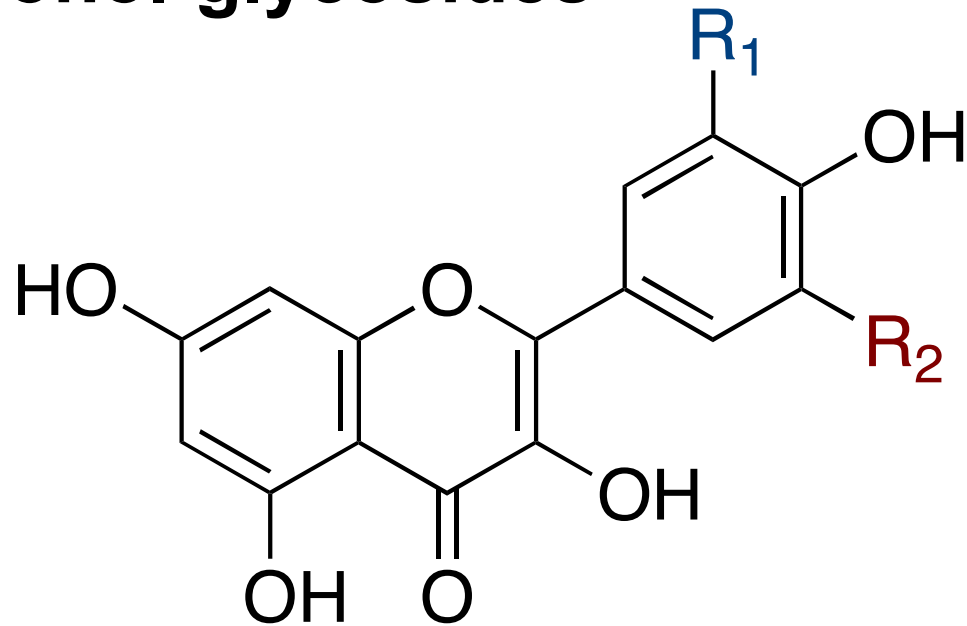




Anthocyanin ranges



Flavonol-glycosides



$R_1=H$

$R_2=H$

Kaempferol

$R_1=OH$

$R_2=H$

Quercetin

$R_1=OH$

$R_2=OH$

Myricetin

Flavonoids

Flavanols
= Flavan-3-ols

Anthocyanins

Flavonol-glycosides

Monomers
= Catechins

Polymers
= Condensation of flavanols
= Proanthocyanidins
= Condensed tannins
= Tannins

Cyanidin
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(present as glycosides)

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**Combination of
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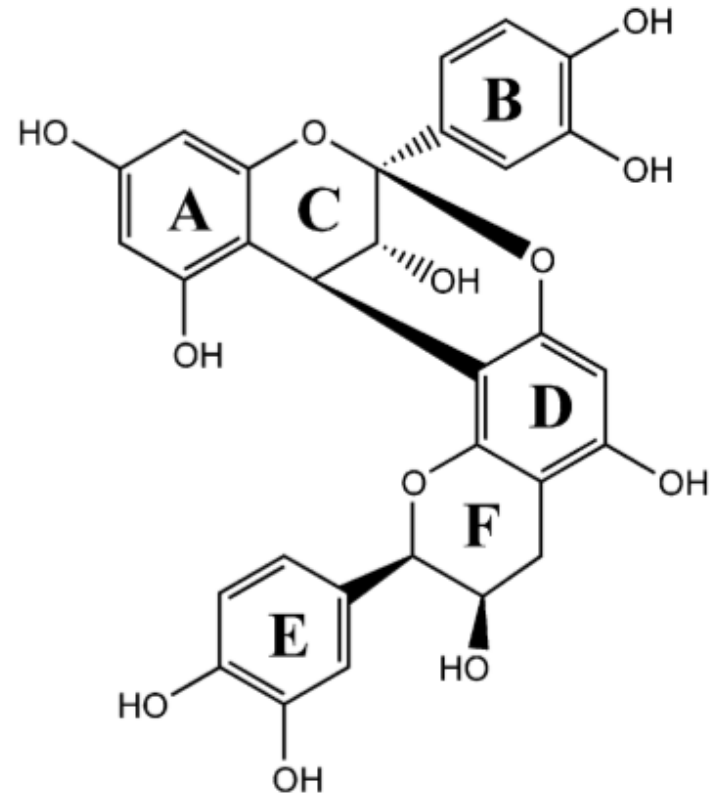
THE NEXT SUPERFOOD WAS DISCOVERED IN 1647.

With **proanthocyanidins** that have kept skin young for 371 years, no fruit on earth takes care of you like a cranberry.

THE NECESSARY, LEGENDARY,
EXTRAORDINARY CRANBERRY



Proanthocyanidin = Procyanidin = PAC = PAs



A2

Tannins

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Condensed tannins

= Proanthocyanidins

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Proanthocyanidin A

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Hydrolyzable tannins

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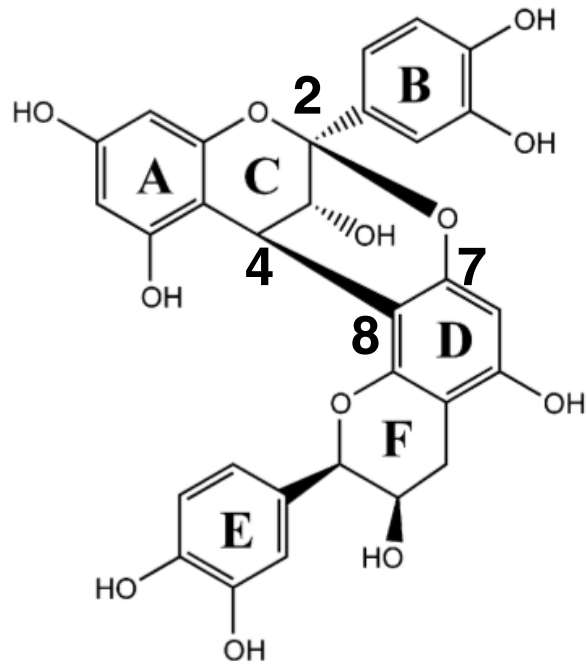
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Proanthocyanidin A
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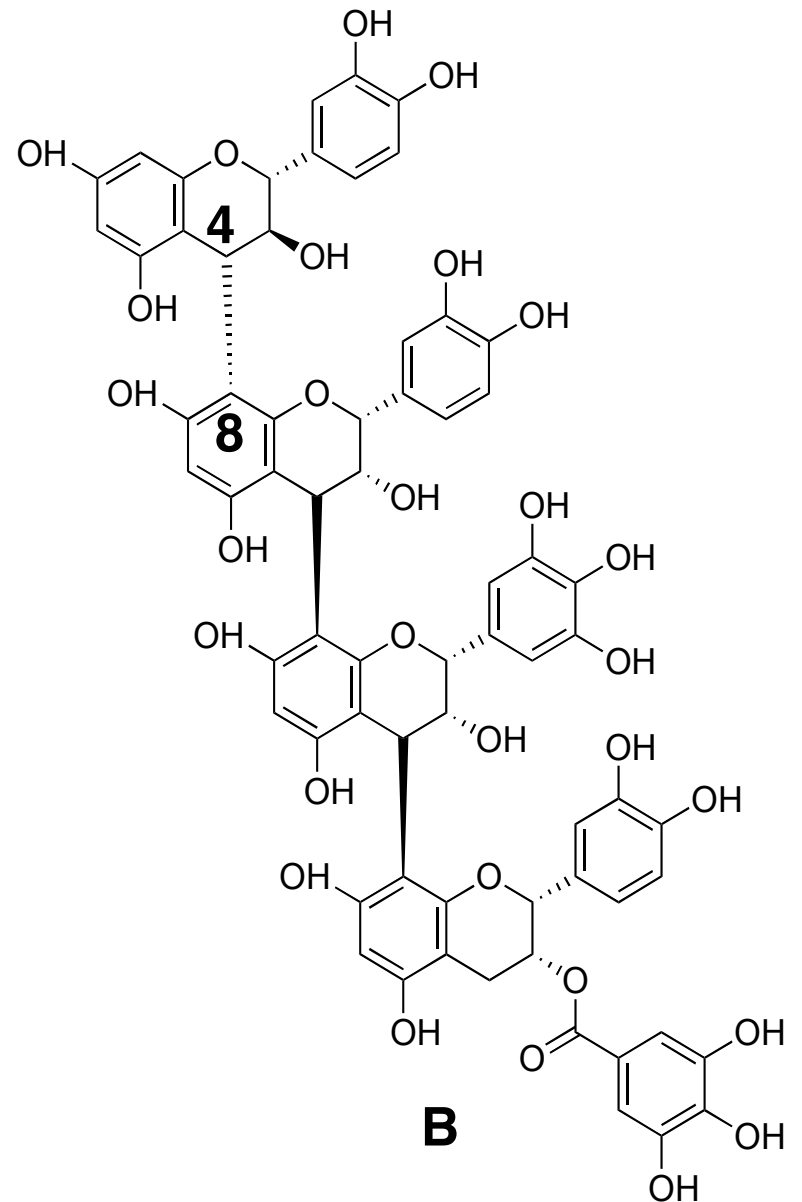
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Ellagitannins
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Proanthocyanidin A2 vs B

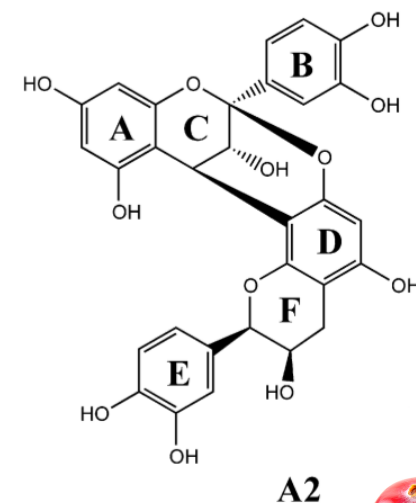
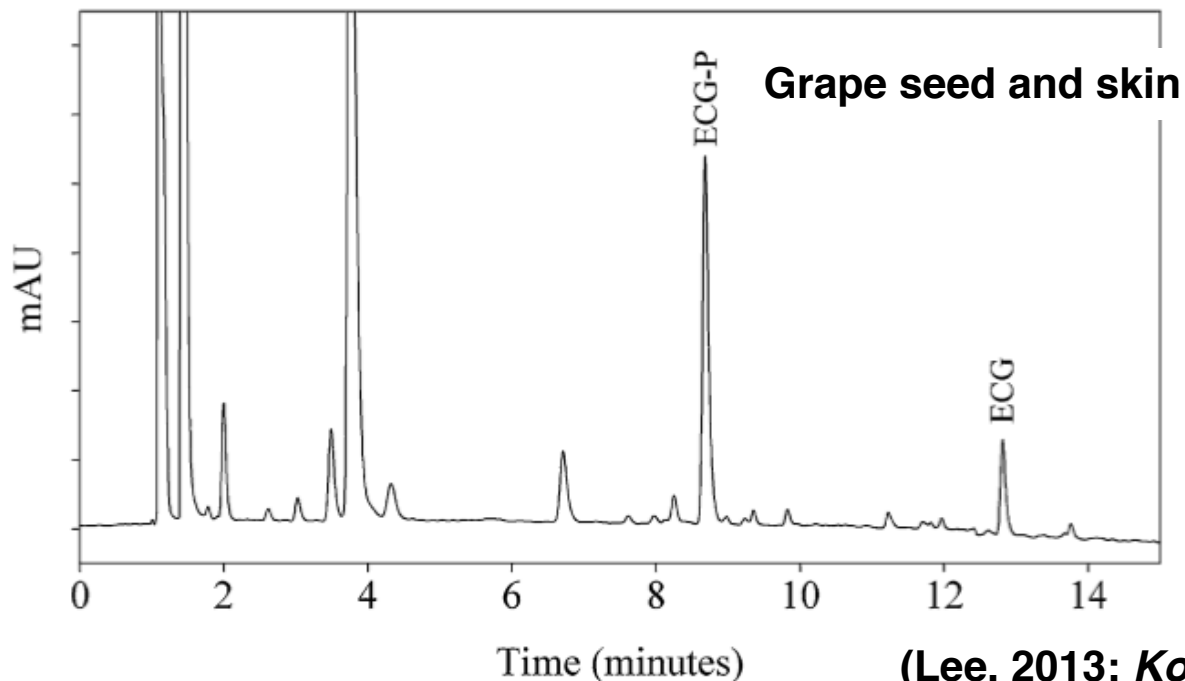
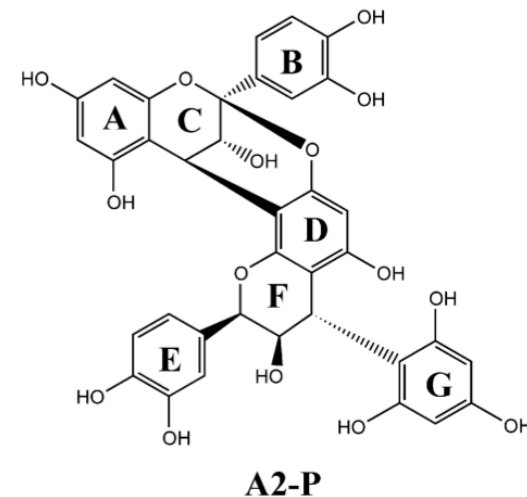
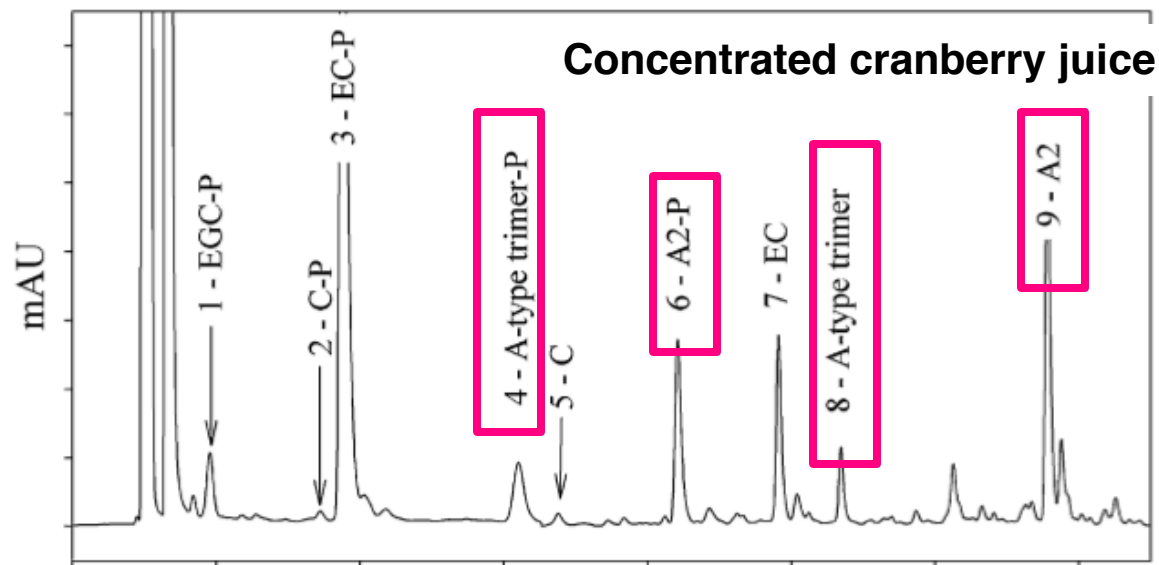


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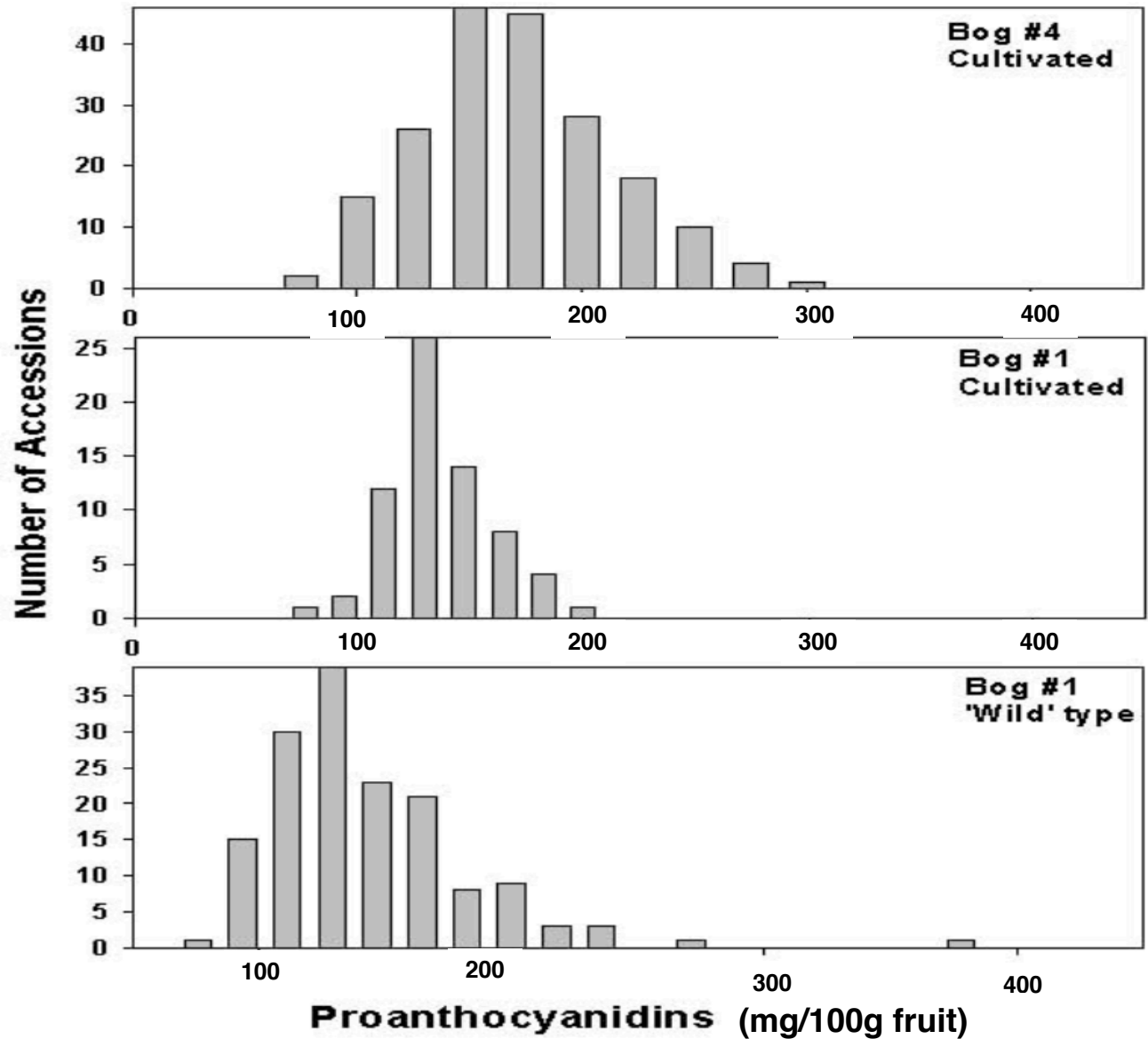
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Cranberry proanthocyanidin A2 content





Proanthocyanidin levels



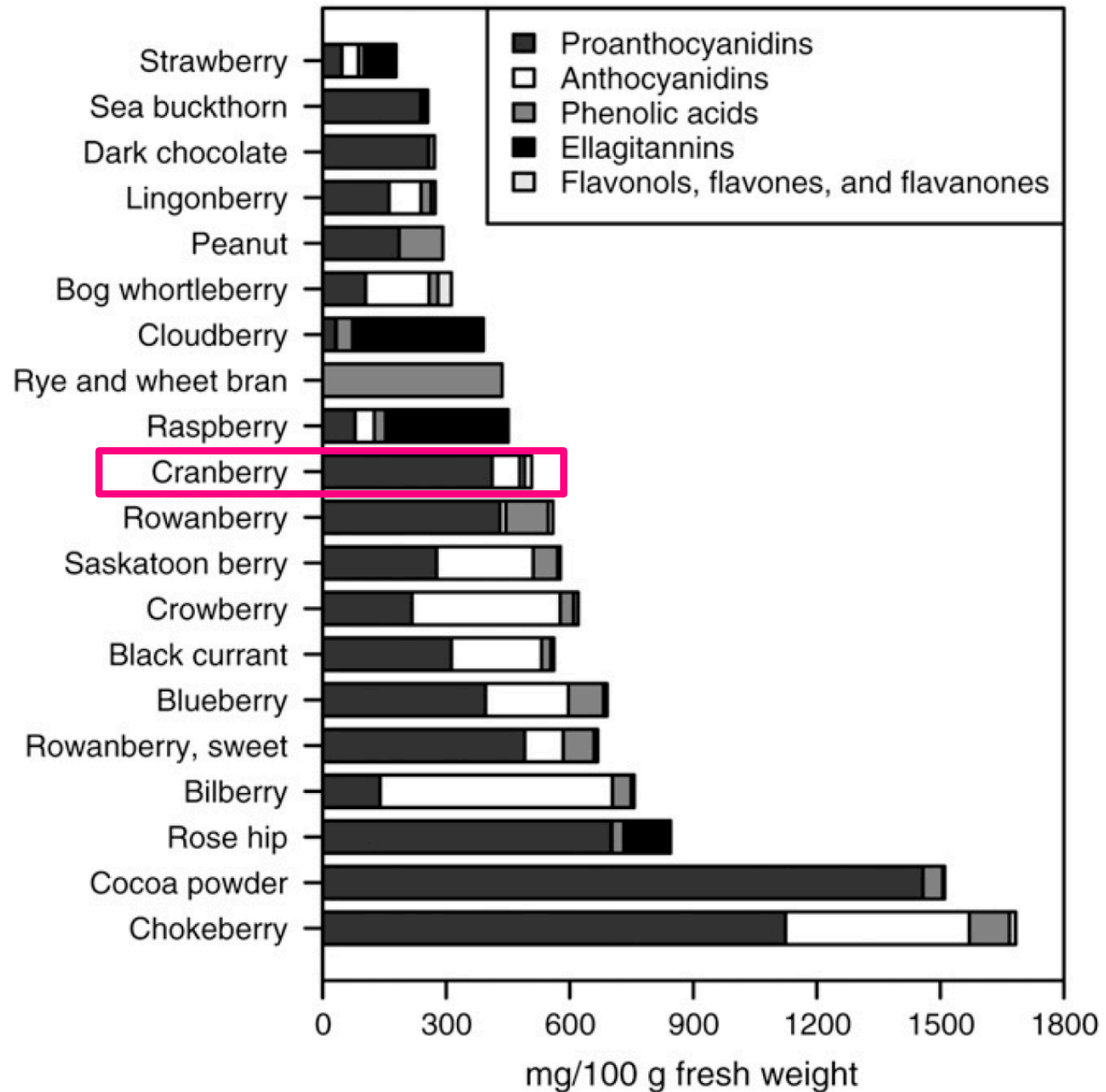
Proanthocyanidin levels among American cranberry, European cranberry, and lingonberry

Table 2. Concentrations of Procyanidin A2 (mg/100 g) and A-Type Procyanidin Dimers (m/z 575) and Trimers m/z 863 (mg A2 equiv/100 g) in Fresh Berry Samples

peak ^b	RT (min)	compd	mg (A2 equiv)/100 g fresh weight (FW) ^a									
			<i>V. macrocarpon</i> (mixed)	<i>V. macrocarpon</i> (Ben Liar)	<i>V. macrocarpon</i> (Grygleski)	<i>V. macrocarpon</i> (Stevens)	<i>V. macrocarpon</i> (Pilgrim, CA)	<i>V. macrocarpon</i> (Pilgrim, PL)	<i>V. oxycoccus</i> (EU)	<i>V. oxycoccus</i> (PL)	<i>V. vitis-idaea</i> (EU)	<i>V. vitis-idaea</i> (CN)
6	19.81	dimer 1	0.12 ± 0.02	0.10 ± 0.02	0.13 ± 0.02	0.13 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.03	0.20 ± 0.04	0.18 ± 0.02	0.09 ± 0.02	5.94 ± 0.79	1.77 ± 0.20
8	21.30	A2	4.57 ± 0.34	4.14 ± 0.37	4.66 ± 0.78	4.71 ± 0.12	4.10 ± 0.12	5.49 ± 0.61	0.21 ± 0.03	0.13 ± 0.02	2.11 ± 0.27	7.98 ± 0.72
sum of A-type dimers (m/z 575)			4.69 ± 0.36	4.24 ± 0.39	4.79 ± 0.80	4.84 ± 0.13	4.20 ± 0.15	5.69 ± 0.65	0.39 ± 0.05	0.22 ± 0.04	8.05 ± 1.06	9.75 ± 0.92
1	14.99	trimer 1	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd	1.55 ± 0.22	0.29 ± 0.07
2	17.31	trimer 2	0.07 ± 0.01	0.06 ± 0.01	0.07 ± 0.01	0.05 ± 0.00	0.08 ± 0.01	0.11 ± 0.01	0.28 ± 0.05	0.09 ± 0.01	1.03 ± 0.16	0.32 ± 0.02
3	17.45	trimer 3	0.68 ± 0.06	0.62 ± 0.06	0.67 ± 0.08	0.68 ± 0.04	0.71 ± 0.10	1.05 ± 0.14	0.20 ± 0.01	0.05 ± 0.01	0.22 ± 0.03	0.98 ± 0.12
4	18.59	trimer 4	1.82 ± 0.16	2.35 ± 0.32	3.30 ± 0.41	2.83 ± 0.30	2.49 ± 0.34	2.96 ± 0.49	nd	nd	0.82 ± 0.14	3.18 ± 0.77
5	19.60	trimer 5	0.04 ± 0.01	0.04 ± 0.01	0.05 ± 0.01	0.05 ± 0.01	0.04 ± 0.01	0.05 ± 0.01	nd	nd	1.10 ± 0.18	0.27 ± 0.05
7	20.85	trimer 6	0.04 ± 0.01	0.05 ± 0.01	0.06 ± 0.01	0.05 ± 0.01	0.04 ± 0.01	0.07 ± 0.02	nd	nd	3.40 ± 0.45	0.60 ± 0.11
9	21.80	trimer 7	1.03 ± 0.08	1.14 ± 0.15	1.35 ± 0.21	1.37 ± 0.10	1.17 ± 0.18	1.40 ± 0.20	nd	nd	0.29 ± 0.04	1.59 ± 0.33
10	23.10	trimer 8	0.98 ± 0.09	1.04 ± 0.11	1.43 ± 0.015	1.29 ± 0.09	1.09 ± 0.13	1.35 ± 0.22	nd	nd	1.60 ± 0.31	0.46 ± 0.08
sum of A-type trimers (m/z 863)			4.66 ± 0.42	5.30 ± 0.67	6.93 ± 0.88	6.32 ± 0.55	5.62 ± 0.78	6.99 ± 1.09	0.48 ± 0.09	0.14 ± 0.02	10.01 ± 1.53	7.69 ± 1.55

^aValues are given as the mean ± standard deviations ($n = 6$). Procyanidin A2 calibration curve was used for quantification. nd, not detected. ^bPeak numbers of trimers refer to Figure 2.

Compared to others. . .



(Ovaskainen et al., 2007)

Phenolic Distribution in Cranberry



Skin:

- Flavanols and their polymers
- Anthocyanins
- Cinnamic acids
- Flavonols
- Stilbenes

Pulp:

- Cinnamic acids
- Benzoic acids

Seed:

- Flavanols and their polymers

Thank you!

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