## **Supporting Information**

## The Balance of Beneficial and Deleterious Health Effects of Quinones: A Case Study of the Chemical Properties of Genistein and Estrone Quinones

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**Figure S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of *a*) Gen + IBX with characteristic <sup>1</sup>H of CGen-3',4'-Q product labeled in green and *b*)  $E_1$  + IBX with characteristic <sup>1</sup>H of CE<sub>1</sub>-2,3-Q and CE<sub>1</sub>-3,4-Q products labeled in red and blue, respectively. Peaks of the reactants Gen or E1 and the reduced product from IBX (RP) in the reaction mixtures were labeled in black. The y axis is intensity.



**Figure S2.**  $2^{nd}$ -Order kinetics of Gen + IBX and  $E_1$  + IBX monitored with NMR. A) Plot of the consumption of Gen and  $E_1$ , where  $y = \frac{1}{[S]/[S]_0}$  and  $[S] \equiv$  concentration of  $E_1$  or Gen at time t and  $[S]_0 \equiv$  initial concentration of  $E_1$  or Gen. B) Plot of the formation of CGen-3',4'-Q and CE<sub>1</sub>-2,3-Q + CE<sub>1</sub>-3,4-Q, where  $y = \frac{1}{1-[Q]/[S]_0}$  and  $[Q] \equiv$  concentration of the quinone

at time t and  $[S]_0 \equiv$  initial concentration of  $E_1$  or Gen. Red squares represent data for  $E_1$  and blue diamond for Gen. For the formation of  $E_1$ , the first six data points were used to calculate rate constant. The formation of CGen-3',4'-Q deviates from 2<sup>nd</sup>-order kinetics at ~ 30 min and only the first two data points were used to estimate the rate constant.



**Figure S3.** An example of MS/MS product-ion spectrum (y axis is relative abundance) of the CGen-Ade adducts in Figure 4 ( $t_R = 16.82 \text{ min}$ ).



**Figure S4.** Representative structures of  $[CGen-Ade + H]^+$  adducts. Cleavages shown are in accord with MS/MS observations. One characteristic cleavage of  $[CGen-Ade + H]^+$  is C-ring cleavage that produces fragment ions of *m/z* 153 and complementary ion of *m/z* 268.



**Figure S5.** Reconstructed base-peak ion chromatogram (y axis is ion intensity) shows the formation of CGen-Ade and  $CE_1Q$ -Ade adducts in DMF. The CGenQ + Ade and  $CE_1Q$  + Ade were mixed at 1:1 ratio.



**Figure S6.** MS/MS Product-ion spectra of the two major CE1-Ade adducts (4-OH-E1-1-*N*3Ade and unknown) identified in the reaction mixture of  $CE_1Q$  + calf thymus DNA at pH 7.4, 37 °C. The y axis is relative abundance.

Parent	Product	Measured	Theoretical	Deviation
Conistain	С И О †	Mass 271 0601	Mass 271 0601	(mau)
Gemstem	$C_{15}\Pi_{11}O_5$	2/1.0001	271.0001	U
	$C_{15}H_9O_4^+$	253.0495	253.0495	0
	$C_{14}H_{11}O_4^+$	243.0652	243.0652	0
	$C_{14}H_{11}O_3^+$	227.0703	227.0703	0
	$C_{14}H_9O_3^{+}$	225.0546	225.0546	0
	$C_{13}H_{11}O_3^+$	215.0703	215.0703	0
	$C_{13}H_9O_2^+$	197.0597	197.0597	0
	$C_{11}H_7O_3^+$	187.0390	187.0390	0
	$C_{10}H_7O_2^+$	159.0441	159.0441	0
	$C_{7}H_{5}O_{4}^{+}$	153.0183	153.0183	0
	$C_8H_5O_3^+$	149.0233	149.0233	0
Catechol Genistein	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>11</sub> O <sub>6</sub> <sup>+</sup>	287.0551	287.0550	+0.1
	$C_{15}H_9O_5^+$	269.0445	269.0444	+0.1
	$C_{14}H_{11}O_5^+$	259.0602	259.0601	+0.1
	$C_{13}H_7O_6^+$	259.0238	259.0237	+0.1
	$C_{14}H_9O_4^{+}$	241.0496	241.0495	+0.1
	$C_{13}H_5O_5^+$	241.0137	241.0131	+0.6
	$C_{13}H_{11}O_4^+$	231.0653	231.0652	+0.1
	$C_{12}H_7O_5^+$	231.0289	231.0288	+0.1
	$C_{13}H_9O_3^+$	213.0546	213.0546	0
	$C_{11}H_7O_4^+$	203.0339	203.0339	0
	$C_{7}H_{5}O_{4}^{+}$	153.0183	153.0183	0

**Table S1.** Accurate mass measurement of MS/MS product ions of genistein  $[C_{15}H_{10}O_5 + H]^+$  and catechol genistein  $[C_{15}H_{10}O_6 + H]^+$ 

Retention	Measured	Deviation	
time (min)	Mass	(mau)	
17.45	420.0939	0.0	
17.95	420.0938	-0.1	
18.38	420.0941	+0.2	
18.80	420.0937	-0.2	
19.38	420.0938	-0.1	

**Table S2.** Accurate mass measurement for the five catechol genistein adenine  $[C_{20}H_{13}N_5O_6 + H]^+$  adducts shown in Figure S5.