Supporting Information

Identification and characterization of Kava-derived compounds mediating TNF-α suppression

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¹Boston University Department of Chemistry, 590 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215. ²Department of Periodontology and Oral Biology, School of Dental Medicine, Boston University, 650 Albany Street, X343, Boston, MA 02118. General compound synthesis and purification details. All reagents for chemical synthesis were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Company (St. Louis, MO) and were used as received. Chemical reactions were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere and monitored by thin layer chromatography using Merck 60 F254 precoated silica gel plates (0.25 mm thickness). Analytical LC was performed on a Waters Acquity UPLC with PDA, ELS and SQ detectors. An Acquity UPLC BEH 2.1 x 50 mm 1.7 µM C18 column was used for analytical LC. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz at ambient temperature with CDCl₃ as solvent unless otherwise stated. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 100.0 MHz at ambient temperature with CDCl₃ as solvent unless otherwise stated. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million relative to CDCl₃ (¹H, δ 7.24; ¹³C, δ 77.0). Data for ¹H NMR are reported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (app = apparent, par obsc = partially obscure, ovrlp = overlapping, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, qt = quintuplet, m = multiplet) and coupling constants are reported as values in hertz. All ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded with complete proton decoupling. Highresolution mass spectra were obtained in the Boston University Chemical Instrumentation Center using a Waters Q-TOF mass spectrometer. Flash chromatography was performed on using silica gel 60N of Kanto Chemical C. Int., Tokyo, Japan. Analytical LC was performed on a Waters Acquity UPLC with PDA, ELS and SO detectors. An Acquity UPLC BEH 2.1 x 50 mm 1.7 µM C18 column was used for analytical LC.

ADME/PK experiments. In vitro ADME and pharmackinetic analyses were performed at Apredica, Inc (Watertown, MA). Samples were analyzed by LC/MS/MS using either an Agilent 6410 mass spectrometer coupled with an Agilent 1200 HPLC and a CTC PAL chilled autosampler, all controlled by MassHunter software (Agilent), or an ABI2000 mass spectrometer coupled with an Agilent 1100 HPLC and a CTC PAL chilled autosampler, all controlled by Analyst software (ABI). After separation on a C18 reverse phase HPLC column (Agilent, Waters, or equivalent) using an acetonitrile-water gradient system, peaks were analyzed by mass spectrometry (MS) using ESI ionization in MRM mode.

Permeability assay: CaCo-2 cells grown in tissue culture flasks were trypsinized, suspended in medium, and the suspensions were applied to wells of a collagen-coated BioCoat Cell Environment in 24-well format (BD Biosciences) at 24,500 cells per well. The cells were allowed to grow and differentiate for three weeks, feeding at 2-day intervals. For Apical to Basolateral (A->B) permeability, the test agent was added to the apical (A) side and amount of permeation is determined on the basolateral (B) side; for Basolateral to Apical (B>A) permeability, the test agent was added to the B side and the amount of permeation is determined in the amount of permeation is determine on the A side. The A-side buffer contained 100 PM Lucifer yellow dye, in Transport Buffer (1.98 g/L glucose in 10 mM HEPES, 1x Hank's Balanced Salt Solution) pH 6.5, and the B-side buffer was Transport Buffer, pH 7.4. CaCo-2 cells was incubated with these buffers for 2 h., and the receiver side buffer was removed for analysis by LC/MS/MS. To verify the CaCo-2 cell monolayers are properly formed, aliquots of the cell buffers were analyzed by fluorescence to determine the transport of the impermeable dye Lucifer Yellow.

<u>Plasma stability screen</u>, the test agent was incubated in duplicate with plasma at 37 °C. The reaction contains plasma and 2% DMSO. At the indicated times, an aliquot was removed from each experimental and control reaction and mixed with an three volumes of ice-cold Stop Solution (methanol containing haloperidol, diclofenac, or other internal standard). Stopped reactions were incubated at least ten minutes at -20 °C. The samples were centrifuged to remove precipitated protein, and the supernatants were analyzed by LC/MS/MS to quantitate the remaining parent. Data were converted to % remaining by dividing by the time zero concentration value.

<u>PBS express solubility.</u> Serial dilutions of test agent were prepared in test agent at 100x the final concentration. Test agent solutions were diluted 100-fold into PBS in a 96-well plate and mixed. The absorbance of the PBS-containing plate was measured prior to adding the test agents to determine the background absorbance. After 45 min and 16 hr, the presence of precipitate were then detected by

turbidity absorbance at 540 nm). An absorbance value of greater than (mean + 3x standard deviation of the blank), after subtracting the pre-experiment background, was indicative of turbidity. The solubility limit was reported as the highest experimental concentration with no evidence of turbidity.

<u>Pharmacokinetics.</u> Compounds were assessed for their pharmcokinetic properties in female CD-1 mice. The animals were housed five per cage in a single room, and supplied with water and a commercial rodent diet, ad libitum, for the duration of the study. Compounds were formulated in 5% ethanol/95% PBS buffer and dosed via tail vain (iv) or oral gavage (po). Blood samples were collected by cardiac puncture and placed into tubes containing EDTA as anticoagulant. The samples were centrifuged at 13000 rpm for 5 minutes at 4°C, and plasma was collected and stored at -80°C.

List of representative extracts and natural products from the GNC collection.

Ursodiol Nisoldipine Gotu Kola Flax Seed Oil Boswellia Haloperidol Salsalate Zalcitabine Acetyl-L-carnitine Rutin Levaquin Cranberry Damiana Ginger Lomotil Sporanox St. John's Wort Alpha Lipoic Acid Vitamin B-2 Kayexalate Lindane Vitamin B-6

Panthothenic Acid Natural E 100 Tranylcypromine sulfate Potent Acidophilus Cat's Claw L. Carnitine Nitrofurantoin Prilosec (omeprazole) Terbinafine Chloroxine (+/-)-alpha-tocopherol Folic Acid Calcium Complete Glucosamine sulfate Sodium cocoyl isethionate Boron Royal Jelly Melatonin 3 Medrol Phytonadione Eupatorium perfoliatum DHEA **Dandelion Root** Alfalfa Mitotane Crotamiton Bentoquatam Valerian Root Taurine Primrose oil L. Glutamine Black cohosh Inosine Fo-Ti MSM L-Tyrosine Kava kava root Feverfew Chromium Juniper Creatine Monohydrate Niacinamide Shiitake Mushroom

Goldenseal Root Siberian ginseng Ashwagandha L. Arginine Vitamin D Blue-Green Algea Astragalus Eyebright Tomato lycopene Kelp Red clover Cayenne Cascara sagrada Horse Chestnut DHA Milk Thistle Butcher's broom Mct Kudzu root Vitamin b-12 Borage oil Phosphatidyl Bromelain Devil's Claw Root Shark cartilage Echinacea root Psyllium seed husk Lutein Vitamin A Iron L-Phenylalanine Vitamin B-1 Pyrurate fuel Yucca Horsetail Biotin Vitamin C Vitex Pau d'arco Bilberry L-ornithine Guarana Green tea

Diet fuel Ephedra Reishi Mushroom Copper Ginkgo Biloba Aloe vera gel Saw palmetto Enada NADH Odorless garlic DMAE Red Rasberry Beta-Carotene Chickweed Elderberry extract PABA Chlorophyll Brewer's yeast Yohimbized 5-HTP White Ginseng Root Chondroitin Sulfate Maitake mushroom White willow Nettle Hops Cell forte Manganese Grape seed Octacosanol 2000 mcg Marshmallow Elecampane root Yarrow flowers Histidine complex Mullein Colostrum plus L-glutamic acid 500mg Lemon balm Glycine Quercetin +c Acidophilus Turmeric Vitamin e-400 Yellow dock

Lutein Pc-55 L-cysteine Butcher's broom L-carnitine Vitamin b-12 Niacinamide 100 Vitamin b-1 300 L-arginine 500 Shark cartilage White oak bark Beta-carotene 15 Calcuim complete Ginkgo biloba Feverfew Pantothenic acid Chromium 200 Chamomile Gymnema sylvestre Tonalin Blue greem algae Nutraflora fos Triple alfalfa Gamma-oryzanol 200 Catnip Lobelia Aloe vera gel Horehound Bitter melon power Boron 3 MSM White stevia Biotin 300 Black cohosh Schizandra Vitamin a 100000 Vitamin c-500 Androstenedione Artichoke extract Boswellia Avena sativa PS 100 Folic acid

Copper Natural e-100 Vitamin k L- methionine 500 mg Arnica montana 30x Blue cohosh Coltsfoot Blueberry leaf Barberry Angelica Tea tree oil Chitosan Brewer's yeast Fenugreek Isoflavone caps Ashwagandha Maitake mushroom Devil's claw