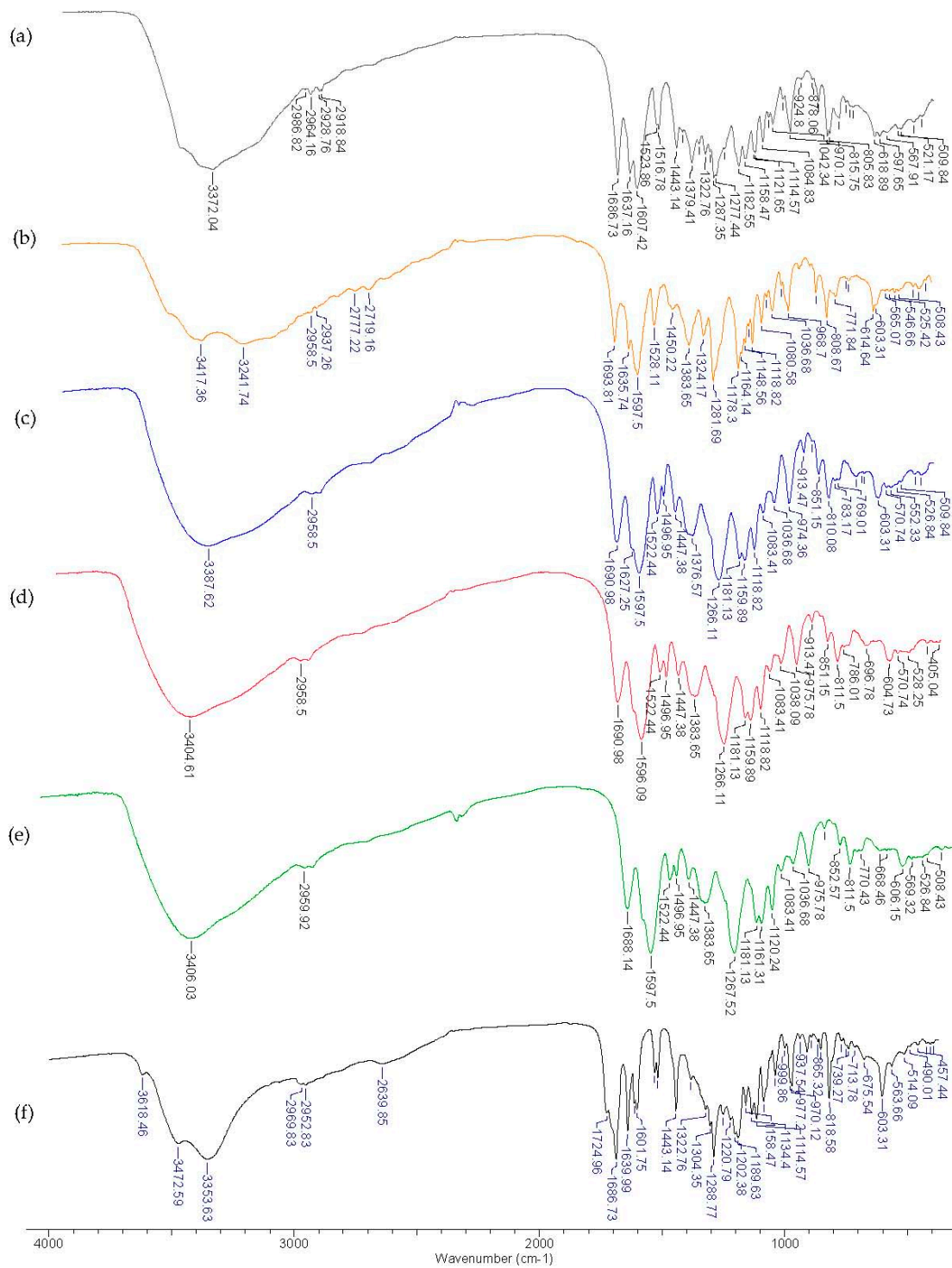
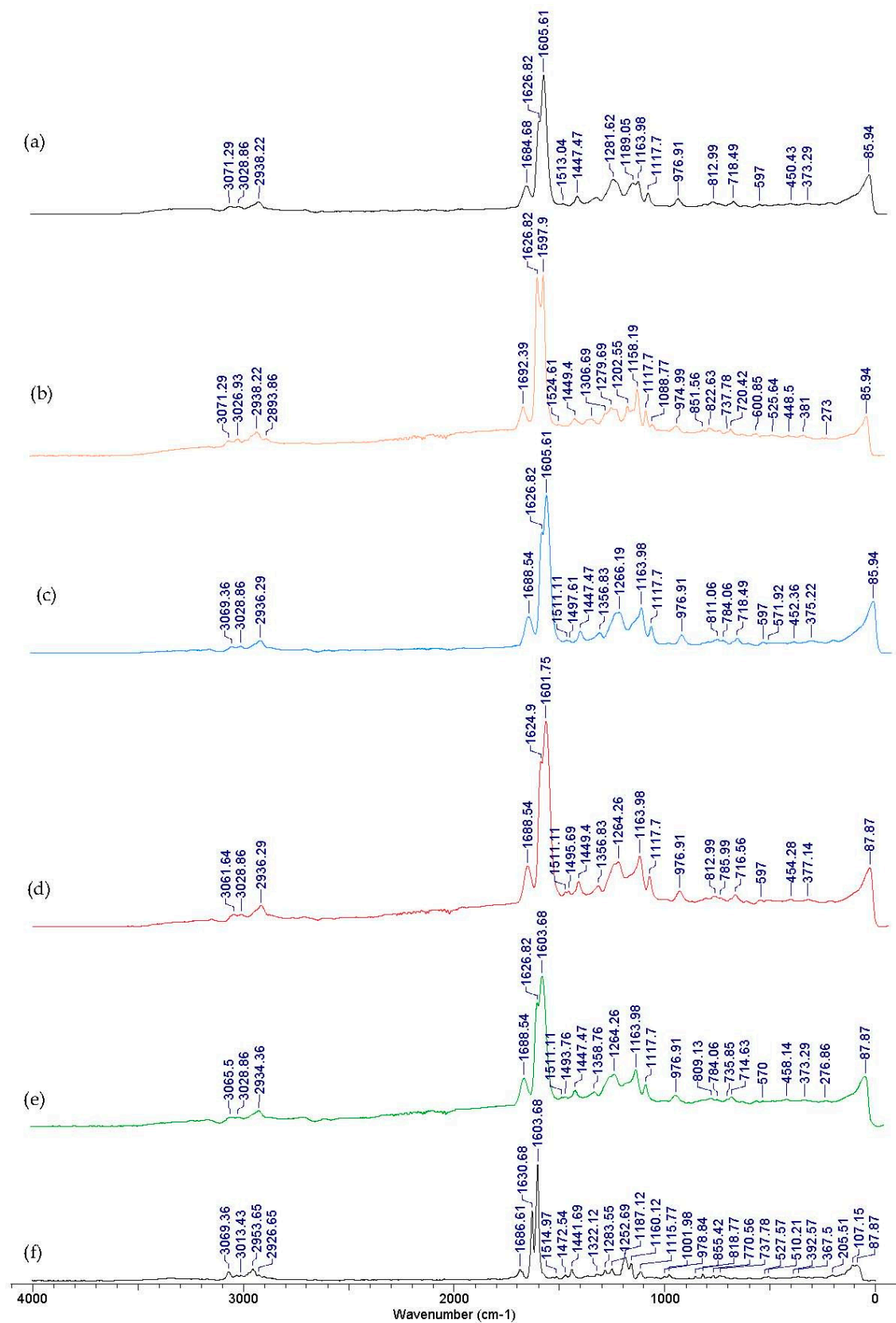


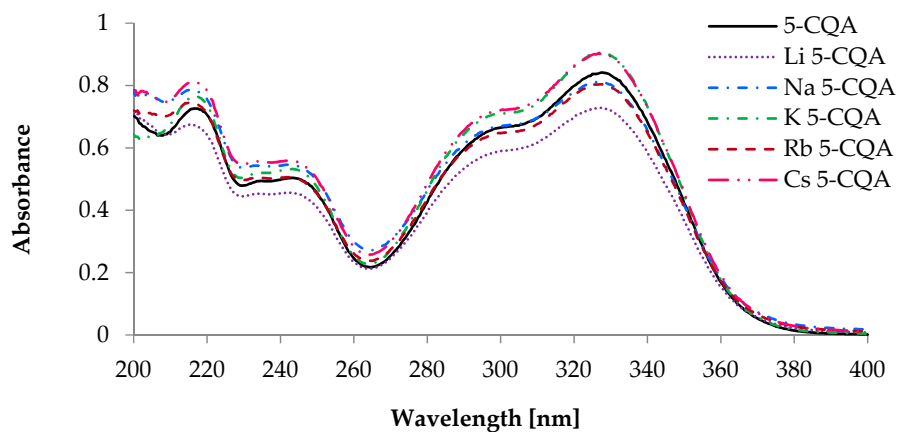
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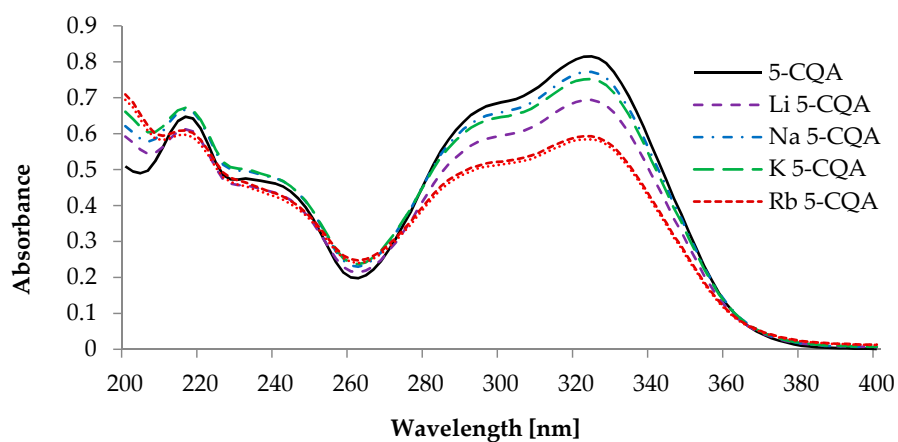
**Figure S1.** FT-IR spectra of (a) lithium; (b) sodium; (c) potassium; (d) rubidium; (e) caesium chlorogenates and (f) chlorogenic acid.



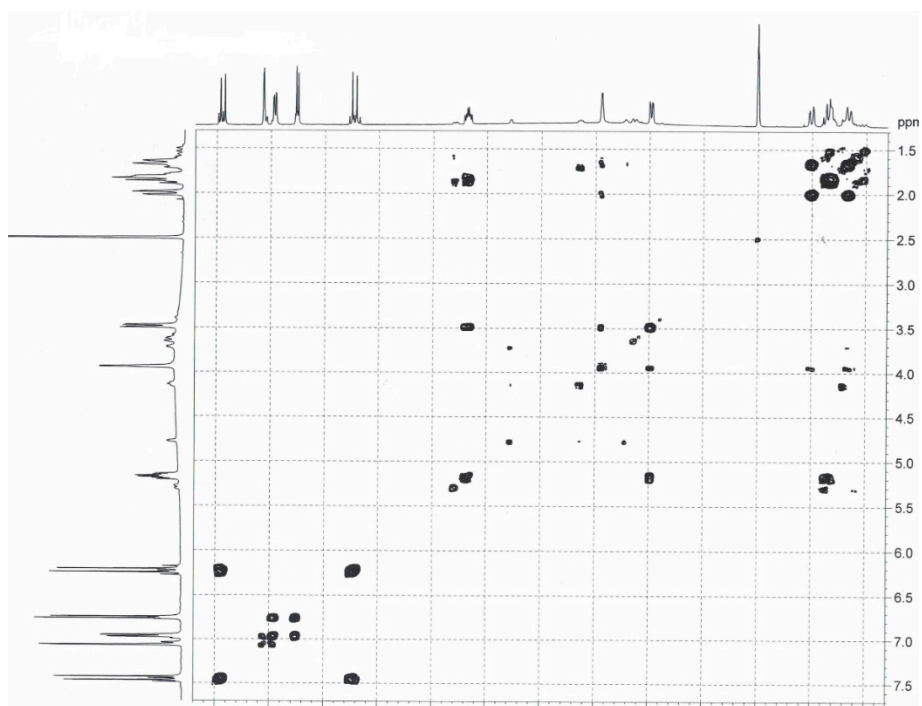
**Figure S2.** FT-Raman spectra of (a) lithium; (b) sodium; (c) potassium; (d) rubidium; (e) caesium chlorogenates and (f) chlorogenic acid.



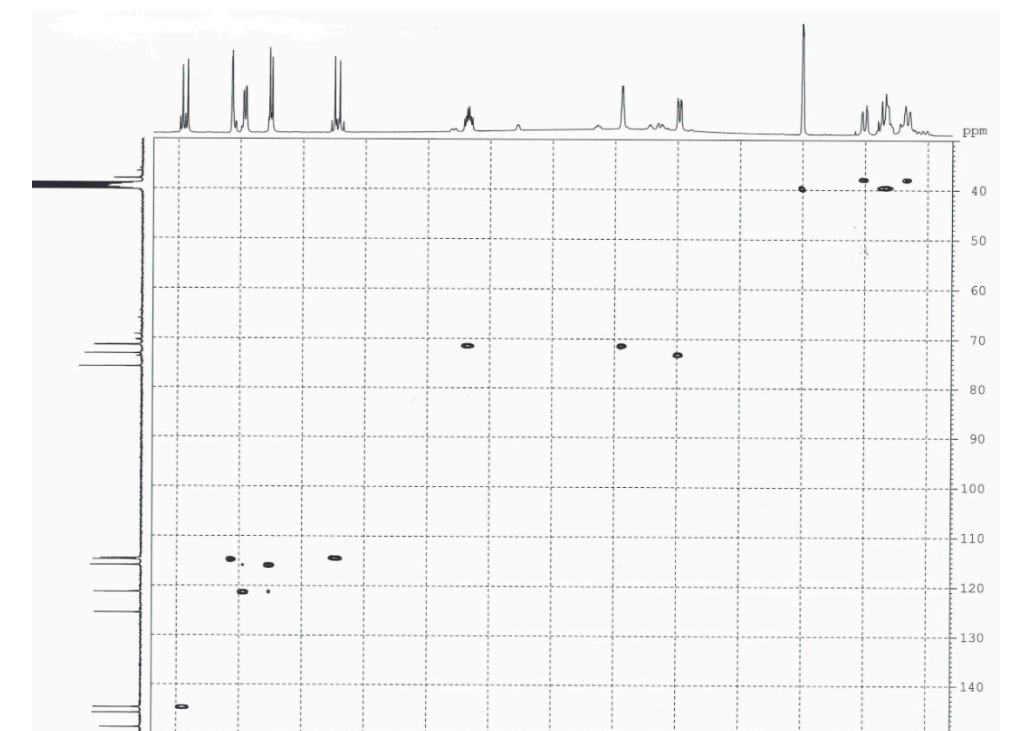
**Figure S3.** The UV spectra of alkali metal chlorogenates and chlorogenic acid registered in methanolic solution.



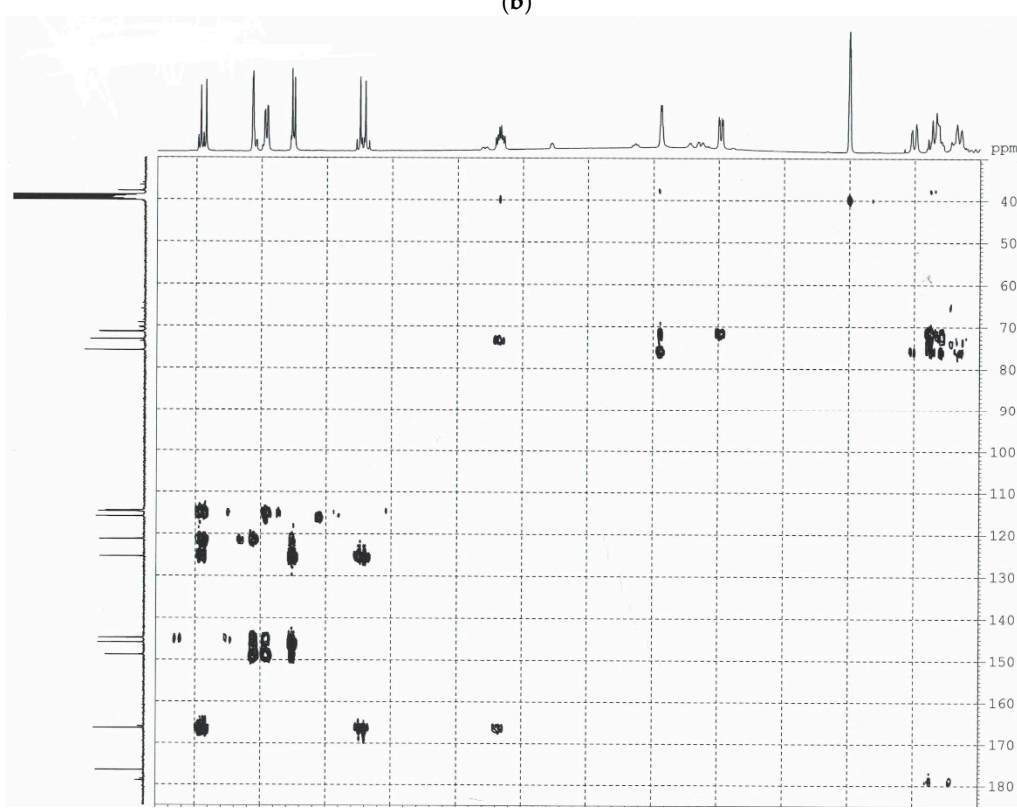
**Figure S4.** The UV spectra of alkali metal chlorogenates and chlorogenic acid registered in aqueous solution.



(a)



(b)



(c)

Figure S5. 2D (a) COSY; (b) HSQC; (c) HMBC NMR spectra recorded for Li chlorogenate.

**Table S1.** The square of the correlation coefficients for the linear relationship between  $\log k_w$  determined by chromatographic method for chlorogenic acid and chlorogenates.

	C18	C8	CN	IAM	PHE
C18	-				
C8	0.8982	-			
CN	0.9184	0.9537	-		
IAM	0.9865	0.8782	0.8991	-	
PHE	0.9578	0.8930	0.9742	0.9300	-

**Table S2.** Selected bond distances [ $\text{\AA}$ ], angles [ $^\circ$ ] calculated for 5-CQA and Li, Na and K 5-CQAs in gas phase and methanol in B3LYP/6-311++G\*\*.

Distance [ $\text{\AA}$ ]	5-CQA		Li 5-CQA		Na 5-CQA		K 5-CQA	
	Gas	MeOH	Gas	MeOH	Gas	MeOH	Gas	MeOH
C7-O5	1.208	1.334	1.263	1.255	1.259	1.253	1.257	1.252
C7-O4	1.344	1.211	1.274	1.266	1.270	1.266	1.270	1.266
C1-O1	1.429	1.434	1.433	1.441	1.435	1.443	1.435	1.443
O1-H1	0.969	0.971	0.971	0.975	0.973	0.978	0.974	0.979
C3-O2	1.417	1.429	1.419	1.432	1.420	1.432	1.420	1.432
O2-H8	0.967	0.970	0.968	0.971	0.969	0.972	0.969	0.972
C4-O3	1.415	1.423	1.417	1.426	1.418	1.426	1.419	1.426
O3-H9'	0.964	0.965	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965
C9'-O4'	1.366	1.367	1.362	1.359	1.360	1.358	1.359	1.358
C9'-O3'	1.210	1.216	1.211	1.217	1.211	1.217	1.211	1.217
C8'-C7'	1.349	1.347	1.344	1.347	1.344	1.347	1.343	1.347
C3'-O1'	1.364	1.367	1.364	1.367	1.365	1.367	1.364	1.367
O1'-H3'	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965
C4'-O2'	1.360	1.361	1.361	1.361	1.362	1.362	1.362	1.362
O2'-H4'	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965	0.963	0.965
<b>Angles [<math>^\circ</math>]</b>								
O5-C7-O4	123.43	124.26	121.70	123.84	124.19	125.56	125.03	126.27
C1-O1-H1	107.99	107.63	106.37	104.43	105.30	103.59	104.64	103.14
C3-O2-H8	108.50	107.61	108.08	107.23	107.85	107.02	107.79	107.04
C4-O3-H9	107.55	107.66	107.41	107.59	107.32	107.57	107.26	107.55
O3'-C9'-O4'	123.09	122.87	123.44	123.06	123.67	123.13	123.76	123.13
H7'-C7'-C8'-H8'	-179.76	-179.75	-179.71	-179.83	179.65	-179.89	179.80	-179.80
O1'-C3'-C4'-O2'	-0.034	-0.134	-0.054	-0.018	-0.001	-0.063	-0.016	-0.065
H3'-O1'-C3'	109.62	109.85	109.56	109.81	109.50	109.80	109.48	109.79
H4'-O2'-C4'	109.66	110.02	109.58	110.01	109.57	109.97	109.52	109.94
<b>Hydrogen Bonds [<math>\text{\AA}</math>]</b>								
H1...O4	2.042	2.047	1.963	1.901	1.924	1.868	1.903	1.853
H8...O1	1.978	1.941	1.957	1.909	1.939	1.893	1.937	1.899
H9...O4'	2.377	2.440	2.369	2.442	2.365	2.433	2.357	2.425

**Table S3.** Selected NBO atomic charges [e] calculated for 5-CQA and Li, Na and K 5-CQAs in gas phase and methanol in B3LYP/6-311++G\*\*.

Atomic Charges [e]	5-CQA		Li 5-CQA		Na 5-CQA		K 5-CQA	
	Gas	MeOH	Gas	MeOH	Gas	MeOH	Gas	MeOH
O4	-0.608	-0.631	-0.846	-0.810	-0.834	-0.800	-0.835	-0.822
O5	-0.677	-0.671	-0.818	-0.825	-0.805	-0.823	-0.806	-0.799
C7	0.865	0.816	0.771	0.770	0.770	0.771	0.773	0.773
C1	0.189	0.191	0.189	0.186	0.190	0.186	0.186	0.183
O1	-0.778	-0.787	-0.789	-0.812	-0.797	-0.818	-0.801	-0.821
H1	0.497	0.502	0.500	0.504	0.501	0.504	0.501	0.503
C3	0.119	0.115	0.119	0.116	0.119	0.116	0.119	0.116
O2	-0.740	-0.774	-0.746	-0.782	-0.750	-0.784	-0.751	-0.785
H8	0.481	0.488	0.488	0.490	0.484	0.491	0.484	0.491
C4	0.100	0.094	0.100	0.094	0.100	0.095	0.100	0.096
O3	-0.721	-0.752	-0.724	-0.754	-0.725	-0.755	-0.726	-0.755
H9	0.468	0.478	0.462	0.477	0.461	0.475	0.460	0.476
C3'	0.272	0.264	0.271	0.264	0.271	0.264	0.271	0.264
O1'	-0.657	-0.685	-0.658	-0.685	-0.658	-0.685	-0.659	-0.685
H3'	0.469	0.489	0.468	0.489	0.468	0.489	0.468	0.489
C4'	0.298	0.291	0.290	0.294	0.289	0.290	0.288	0.290
O2'	-0.649	-0.675	-0.651	-0.676	-0.652	-0.676	-0.652	0.676
H4'	0.469	0.491	0.468	0.491	0.468	0.491	0.468	0.491