

Supplementary Table S1 LC-MS/MS parameters used for the manual identification of the detected gibberellins.

Molecule	Mode	Formula	Adduct	m/z	Retention time (min)	Characteristic ions (m/z transitions)*	Present in barley (MS2)	Standard
GA hormone								
GA ₁	Negative	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ O ₆	-[H ⁺]	347.1495	21.2–21.5	259, 273, 303	✓	✓
GA ₃	Negative	C ₁₉ H ₂₂ O ₆	-[H ⁺]	345.1338	21.2–21.9	143, 221, 239, 301	low	✓
			-[H ₂ O]-[H ⁺]	327.1233				
GA ₄	Negative	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ O ₅	-[H ⁺]	331.1545	40.2–41.9	213, 257, 269, 287, 313	✓	✓
			+ [COOH ⁻]-[H ₂ O]	359.1495				
GA ₇	Negative				39.8	168, 211, 223, 287		✓
GA ₈	Negative	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ O ₇	-[H ⁺]	363.1444	18.6–19.1	119, 257, 275, 321	✓	
GA ₁₉	Negative	C ₂₀ H ₂₆ O ₆	-[H ⁺]	361.1651	45.8–46.2	133, 203, 229, 255, 273, 317	✓	
GA ₂₀	Negative	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ O ₅	-[H ⁺]	331.1545	31.2	147, 173, 219, 225, 250, 287		✓
GA ₃₄	Negative	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ O ₆	-[H ⁺]	347.1495	36.1–36.7	199, 241, 259, 303	✓	
GA ₄₄	Negative	C ₂₀ H ₂₆ O ₅						
GA ₅₁	Negative	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ O ₅	-[H ⁺]	331.1545	36.3–38.0	182, 219, 243, 287	✓	✓
GA ₅₃	Negative	C ₂₀ H ₂₈ O ₅	-[H ⁺]	347.1858	41.6–42.5	189, 233, 303, 329	✓	✓
GA-glycoside								
GA ₁ -G	Negative	C ₂₅ H ₃₄ O ₁₁	-[H ⁺]	509.2023	33.4–33.9		✓	
GA ₃ -G	Negative	C ₂₅ H ₃₁ O ₁₁	-[H ⁺]	507.1866	30.1–30.9		✓	
GA precursor								
<i>ent</i> -kaurene	Positive	C ₂₀ H ₃₂	+ [H ⁺]	273.2582	50.9–52.2		✓	
<i>ent</i> -kaurenoic acid	Negative	C ₂₀ H ₃₀ O ₂	-[H ⁺]	301.2168	69.1–69.5		✓	✓

* m/z transitions from Chiwocha *et al.* (2003), Delatorre *et al.* (2017) and Urbanová *et al.*, (2013). Major signals (Urbanova *et al.*, 2013) are indicated in bold; signals not detected in this analysis are indicated in blue. m/z transitions are labelled in Supplementary Fig S4. Note that retention times of the glycosides are larger than GA₁ and GA₃ and that this is not what might be expected on a C18 column. However, elution times on C18 columns can be affected by more than just polarity. Intermolecular reactions during chromatography, interactions with the column matrix and compound conformation can all influence the retention time. It is relevant here that a β-glucosyl residue has a highly hydrophobic face (involving the axial C-H groups on C1, C3 and C5). If this face were exposed to the C18 chain, then it would most probably slow down the elution of the conjugate. One could also speculate that the equatorial OH groups on C2, C3, C4 and C6 could fold back and form hydrogen bonds with the COOH and OH groups of the GA, which might also decrease the polarity of the exposed surface of the molecule.