

Supplementary Materials: Anti-inflammatory Effects of a Polyphenol, Catechin-7,4'-O-digallate, from *Woodfordia uniflora* by Regulating NF- κ B Signaling Pathway in Mouse Macrophages

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General experimental procedure

Optical rotation was measured using Jasco P-2000 polarimeter (Jasco, Easton, MD, USA). Ultraviolet (UV) spectra were obtained using Agilent 8453 UV-visible spectrophotometer (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA). Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were obtained using Bruker AVANCE III 850 NMR spectrometer with 5 mm TCI CryoProbe, operating at 850 MHz (^1H) and 212.5 MHz (^{13}C), with the chemical shift values being represented as parts per million (ppm). Preparative high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was performed using a Waters 1525 Binary HPLC pump with Waters 996 Photodiode Array Detector (Waters Corporation, Milford, CT, USA). Semi-preparative HPLC was performed using the Shimadzu Prominence HPLC System with SPD-20A/20AV Series Prominence HPLC UV-Vis Detectors (Shimadzu, Tokyo, Japan). LC/MS analysis was performed on an Agilent 1200 Series HPLC system, equipped with a diode array detector and 6130 Series ESI mass spectrometer. An analytical Kinetex C_{18} 100 Å column (100 × 2.1 mm, 5 μm ; flow rate: 0.3 ml/min; Phenomenex) was used. Furthermore, the Dianion HP-20 system (Mitsubishi Chemical, Tokyo, Japan) along with silica gel 60 (Merck, 230–400 mesh) and RP- C_{18} silica gel (Merck, 40–63 μm) were used for column chromatography, Merck pre-coated Silica gel F254 plates and RP-18 F254s plates (Merck, Darmstadt, Germany) were used for thin-layer chromatography (TLC). The plates were visualized under UV light or by heating after spraying with anisaldehyde-sulfuric acid until the development of spots.

Plant material

Leaves of *W. uniflora* were collected from the valleys of Ain Jarziz, which is approximately 17–18 km east of Salalah, Dhofar (Oman), during June–August 2017. The leaves were dried at room temperature, macerated into a fine powder, and stored at room temperature. The plant was classified by Alan Radcliffe-Smith (Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, England) [1]. A voucher specimen of the material (W-2017) was deposited at the Biology Department, Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman.

Reference

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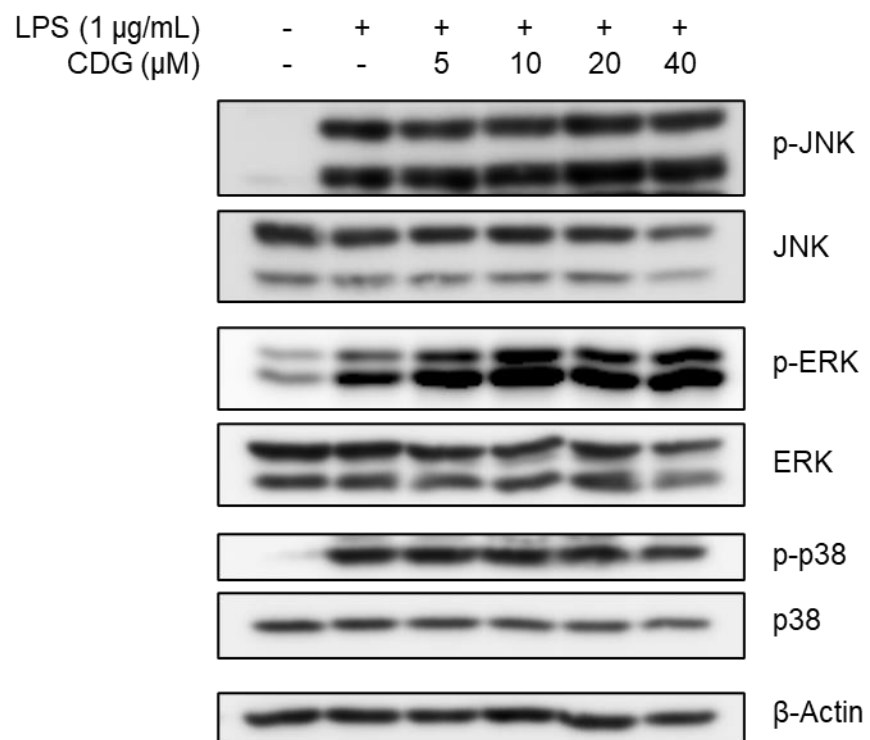


Figure 1. Effect of CDG on the MAPK pathway. The ImKC cells were treated with CDG (5, 10, 20, and 40 μM) for 2 h and stimulated by LPS (1 $\mu\text{g/mL}$) for 15 min. The cell lysates were used for the analysis of the phosphorylation of MAPK (ERK, JNK, and p38) by western blotting. β -actin was used as the loading control. CDG, catechin-7,4'-O-digallate; MAPK, mitogen-activated protein kinase; LPS, lipopolysaccharide. ERK, extracellular signal-regulated kinase; JNK, c-Jun N-terminal kinase.

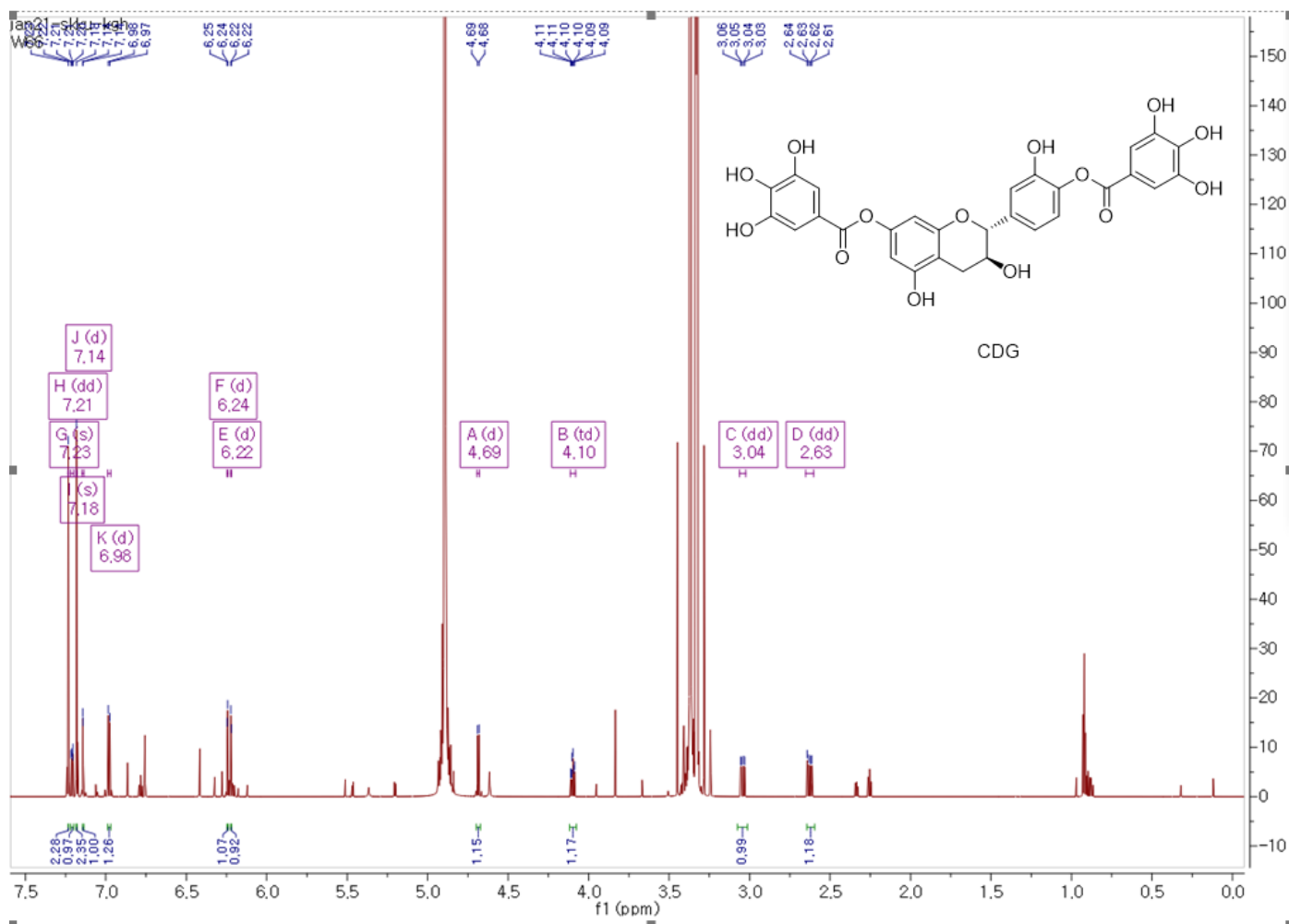


Figure S2. ^1H NMR spectrum of catechin-7,4'-O-digallate (CDG) in CD_3OD .

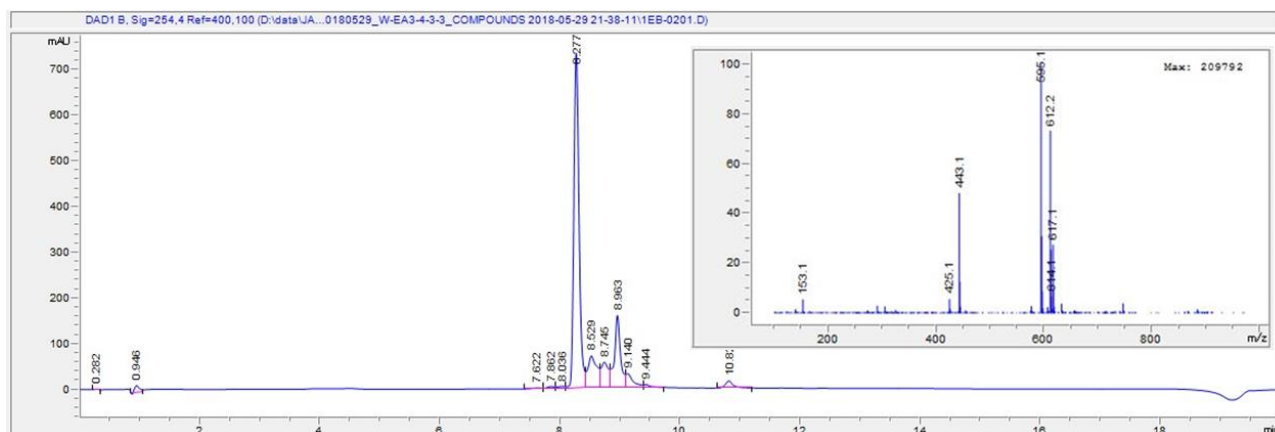


Figure S3. LC/MS analysis of CDG [ESIMS (positive-ion mode) m/z : 595.1 $[M + H]^+$ and m/z : 617.1 $[M + Na]^+$. Detection wavelength was set at 254 nm; LC/MS analysis was performed on an Agilent 1200 Series HPLC system equipped with a diode array detector and 6130 Series ESI mass spectrometer using an analytical Kinetex C18 100 Å column (100 × 2.1 mm, 5 μm; flow rate: 0.3 mL/min; Phenomenex). The mobile phase was composed of 0.1% (w/v) formic acid in water (solvent A) and methanol (solvent B) in the following gradients; 0 min (A:B 90:10), 10 min (A:B 0:100), 11 min (A:B 0:100), 15 min (A:B 0:100), 16 min (A:B 90:10), and 20 min (A:B 90:10).].

Table S1. List of the primer sequences for qPCR. Primer sequences for inflammatory mediators and housekeeping genes. qPCR, quantitative PCR; iNOS, inducible nitric oxide synthase; IL, interleukin; TNF, tumor necrosis factor; GAPDH, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase.

Target gene		Primer Sequence
iNOS	Sense	5'-TGG CCA AGC TGA ACT-3'
	Anti-Sense	5'-TCA TGA TAA CGT TTC TGG CTC TT-3'
IL-6	Sense	5'-TCT AAT TCA TAT CTT CAA CCA AGA GG -3'
	Anti-Sense	5'-TGG TCC TTA GCC ACT CCT TC-3'
IL-1β	Sense	5'-TTG ACG GAC CCC AAA AGA-3'
	Anti-Sense	5'-GAT GTG CTG CTG CGA GAT T-3'
TNF-α	Sense	5'-CTG TAG CCC ACG TCG TAG C-3'
	Anti-Sense	5'-TTG AGA TCC ATG CCG TTG-3'
GAPDH	Sense	5'-AAC TTT GGC ATT GTG GG-3'
	Anti-Sense	5'-ACA CAT TGG GGG TAG GAA CA-3'
β-actin	Sense	5'-TGT TAC CAA CTG GGA CGA CA-3'
	Anti-Sense	5'-GGG GTG TTG AAG GTC TCA AA-3'