

Screening the PRISM library against *Staphylococcus*
aureus reveals a sesquiterpene lactone from
Liriodendron tulipifera with inhibitory activity

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Farnesyl pyrophosphate synthase-like	MAAATSNGKSSGLRSVFLQVYARLKSELLQDPAFDWTEDSRQWIDRMLEYNVPGKLNRLSVIDSYKLLKGQELSEDEIFLCSLGWCIEWLQAYFLVLDDIMGSHTRRGQPCWFRVPKVDMIAINDGILLRNHIPRILRKNFRRPYYVDLLDFNEVEFQTASGQMQLDLITTHEGEKDLSKYTMPVYCRIVQYKTAYYSFYMPVACALLMSGENDNFTDVKNILIEMGTYFQVQDDYLDCFGDPKVIGKIGTDIEDFKCSWLVVQALERADENQRKILSENYGKSDAAHVAKVKQLYKLDLESVYLEYESKSYEKLIAIEVQPSKSVQEVLKSFLGKIYKRQK*
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Cytochrome P450, E-class, group IV	MISPLSPYIAYMRYPHIPLSPLALSHKISNLHLKREKIQKRGKMALFLLMIACACIYLYLQRRKQGLPPGNGLPFIGETLQLVASAYKTDNPEPFIDARVRRYGSFTTHTVFGEPVFSTDPDEANRFVQLQNEGKLFESSYPSSINLLGRHSLLLKGPNLHKRMHSLTMSFANSIIIRDHLLVDIDRLVRFNQLQRWDGLLQQDETKKITFELTVKQLMSFDPGEWTESLRKEYLLIEGFFSVPIPFFFTYGRALQARTKVAALRERVRERKERRNRKGEEQKDMGLALLDEGEGGFSEEAVDFLALLVAGYETTSTIMTLAVKFLTETPSALALLKEEHEGIRAKKESEALDWSYKSMPFTQCVCVINETLRVANIISGVFRRAVSDVNICKYTIKGWKFASFRAVHLDQDLYKDARTFNPWRWQVLCLFPFTEGTGIVPDMLCFNPLAHAL*
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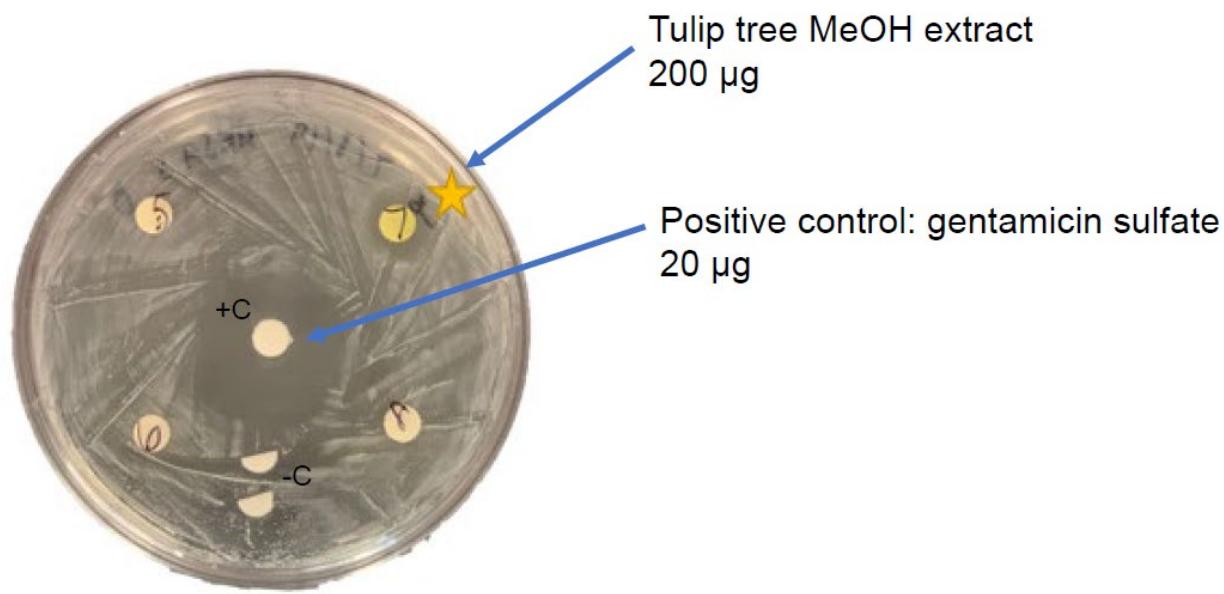


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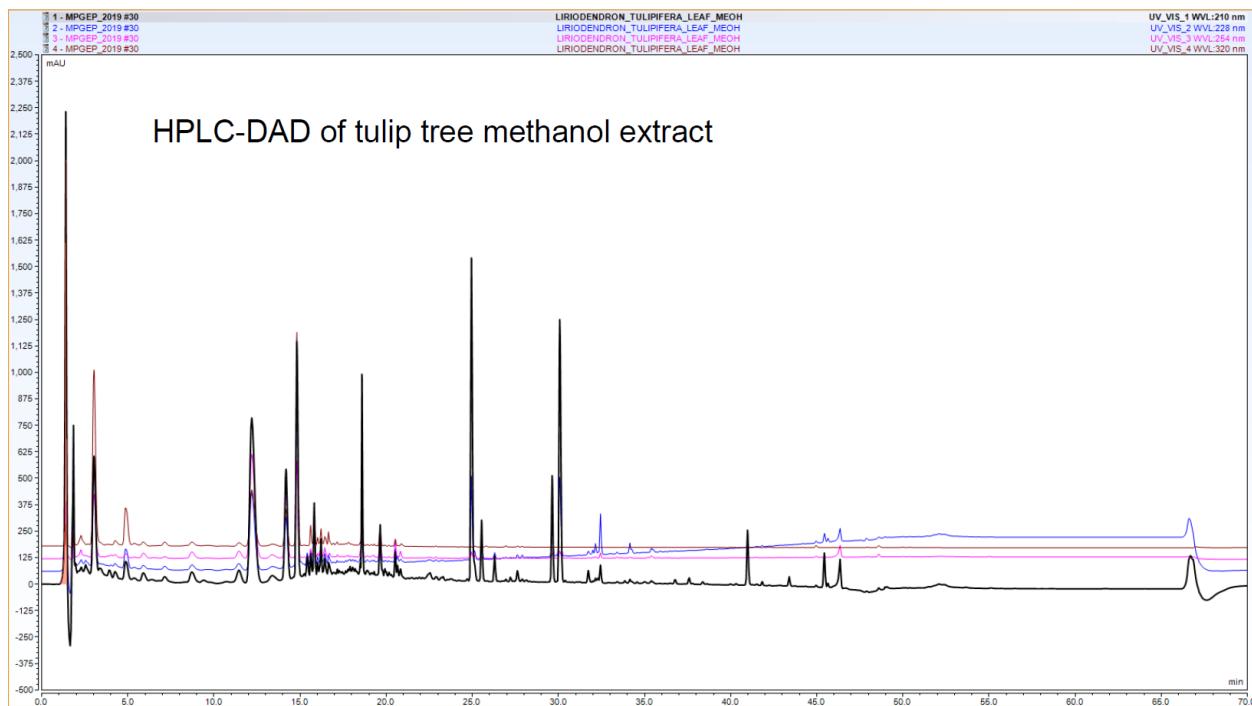


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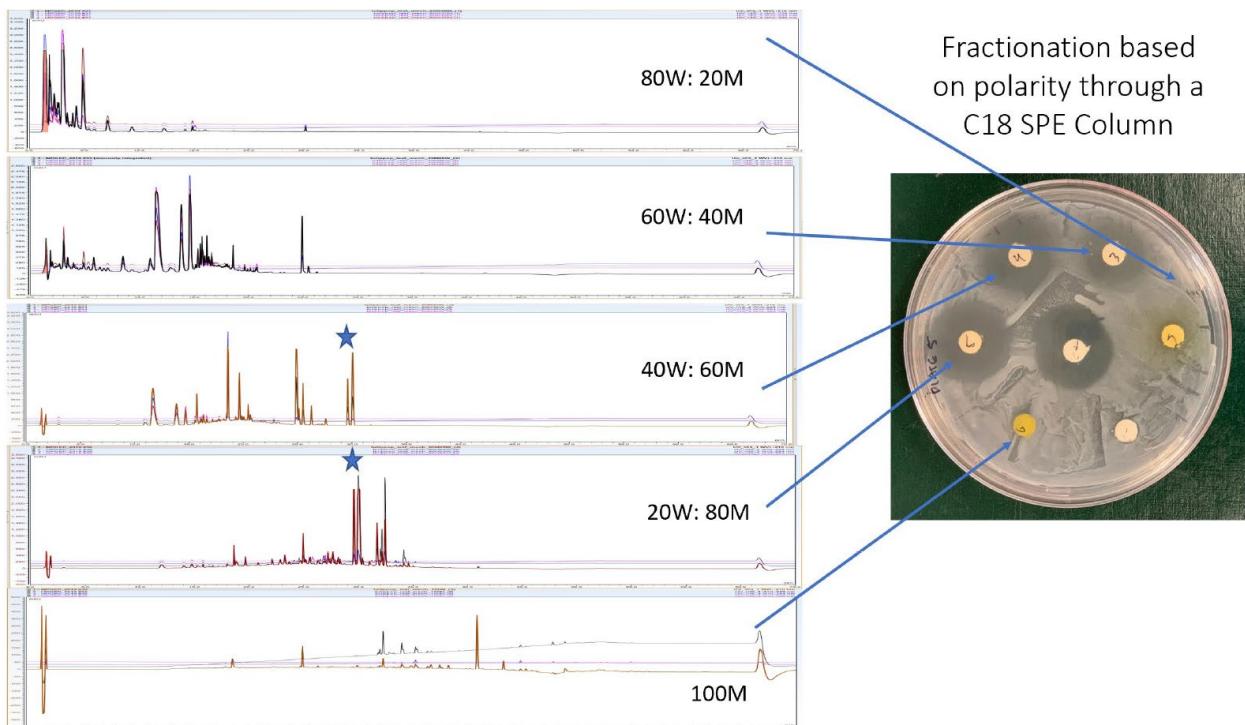


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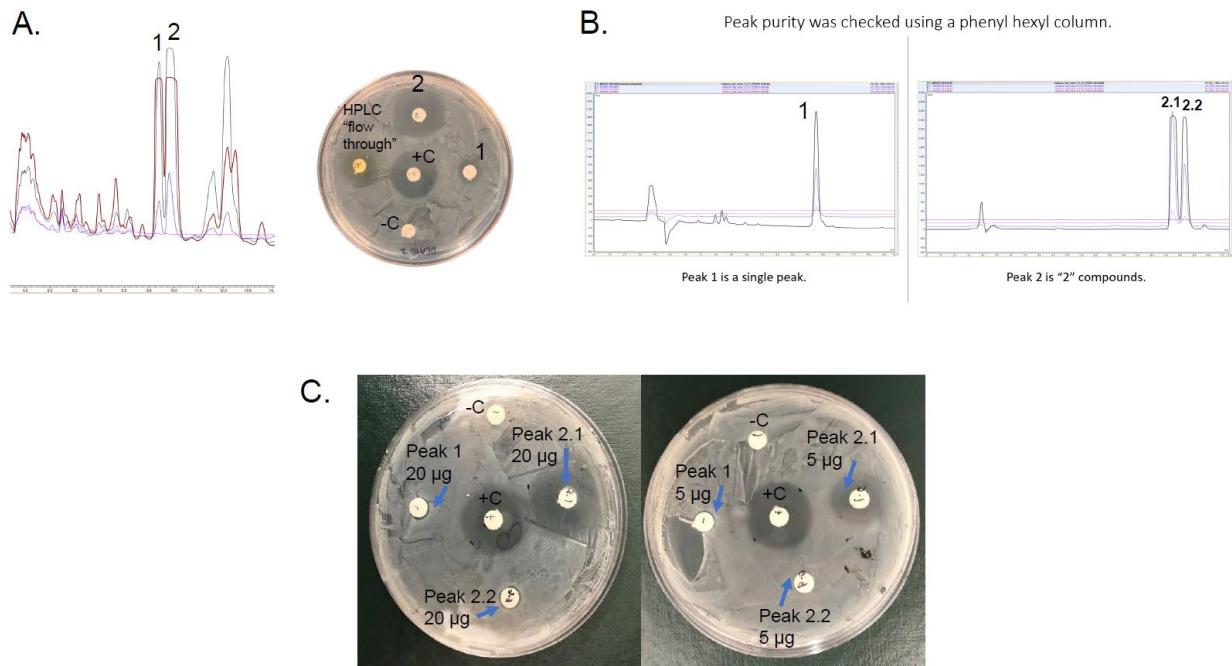


Figure S4. Antibacterial activity of *L. tulipifera* HPLC fractions on methicillin-susceptible *S. aureus*. A) Initial peaks collected and tested (1 and 2) with corresponding MSSA test results. B) Peak 2 was composed of two compounds following HPLC analysis using phenyl hexyl column (250 x 10 mm, 5 μ m). C) Peak 2.1 (laurenobilide), 2.2 (tulipinolide), and 1 (epi-tulipinolide) tested at 20 and 5 μ g, respectively. Only 2.1 showed zones of inhibition. Controls were (+) gentamicin sulfate (20 μ g) and (-) blank.

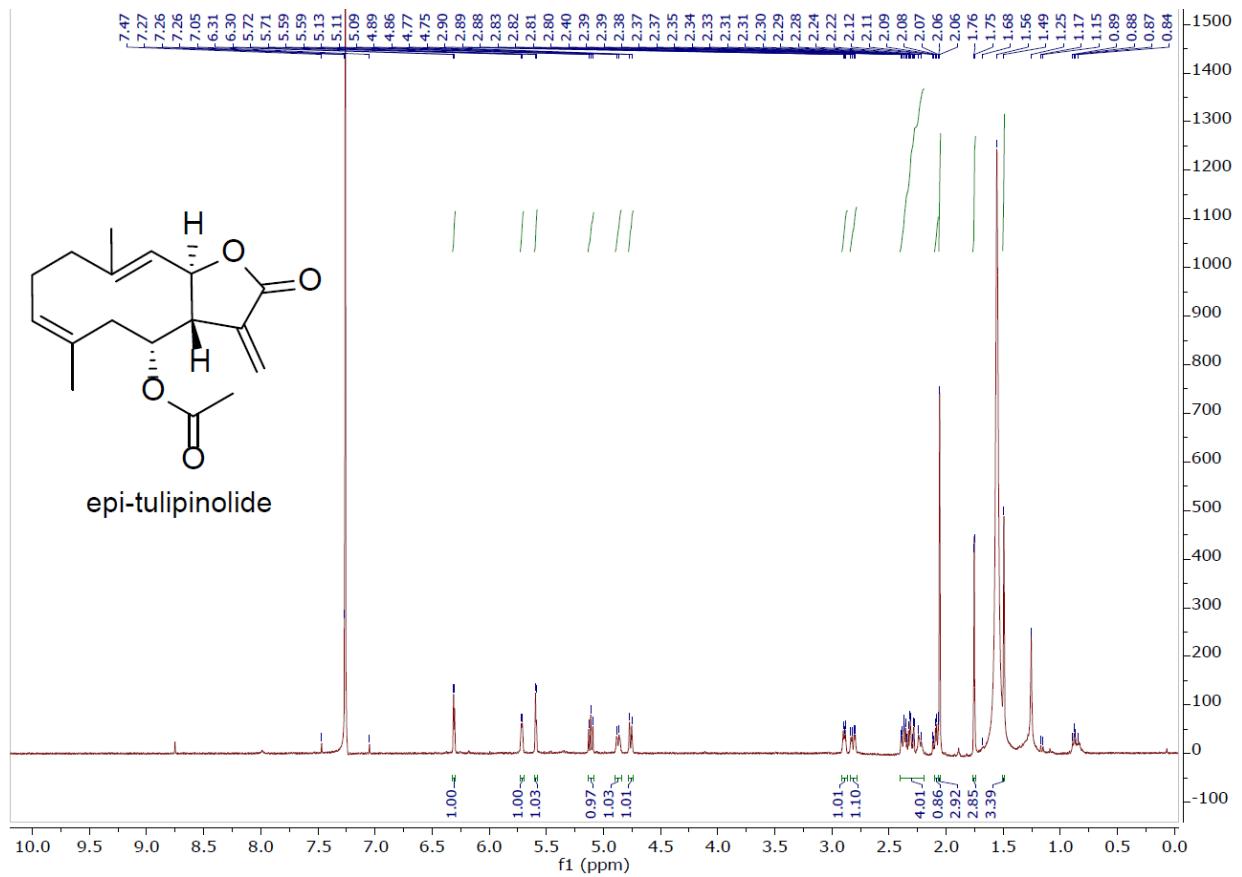


Figure S5. ^1H NMR of peak 1 (epi-tulipinolide) (500 MHz, CDCl_3).

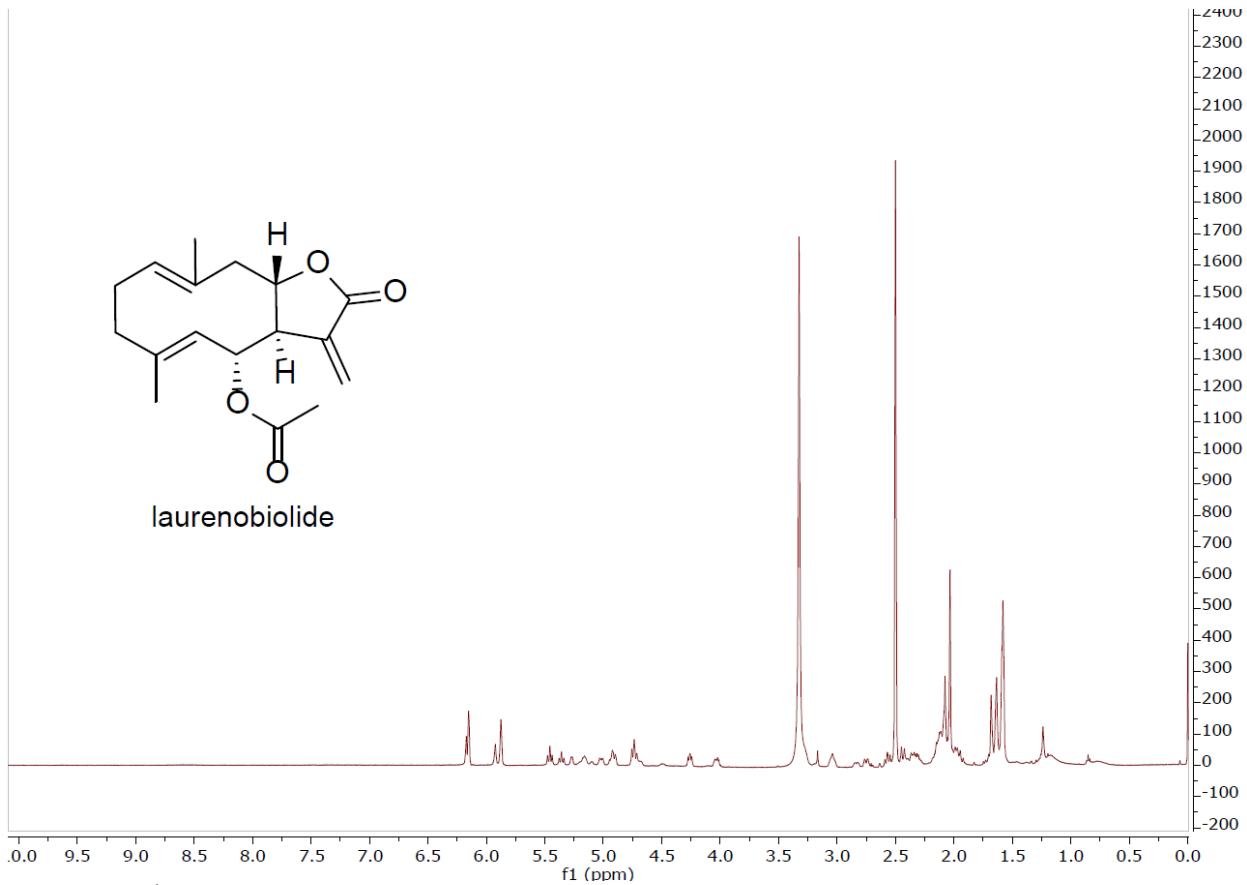


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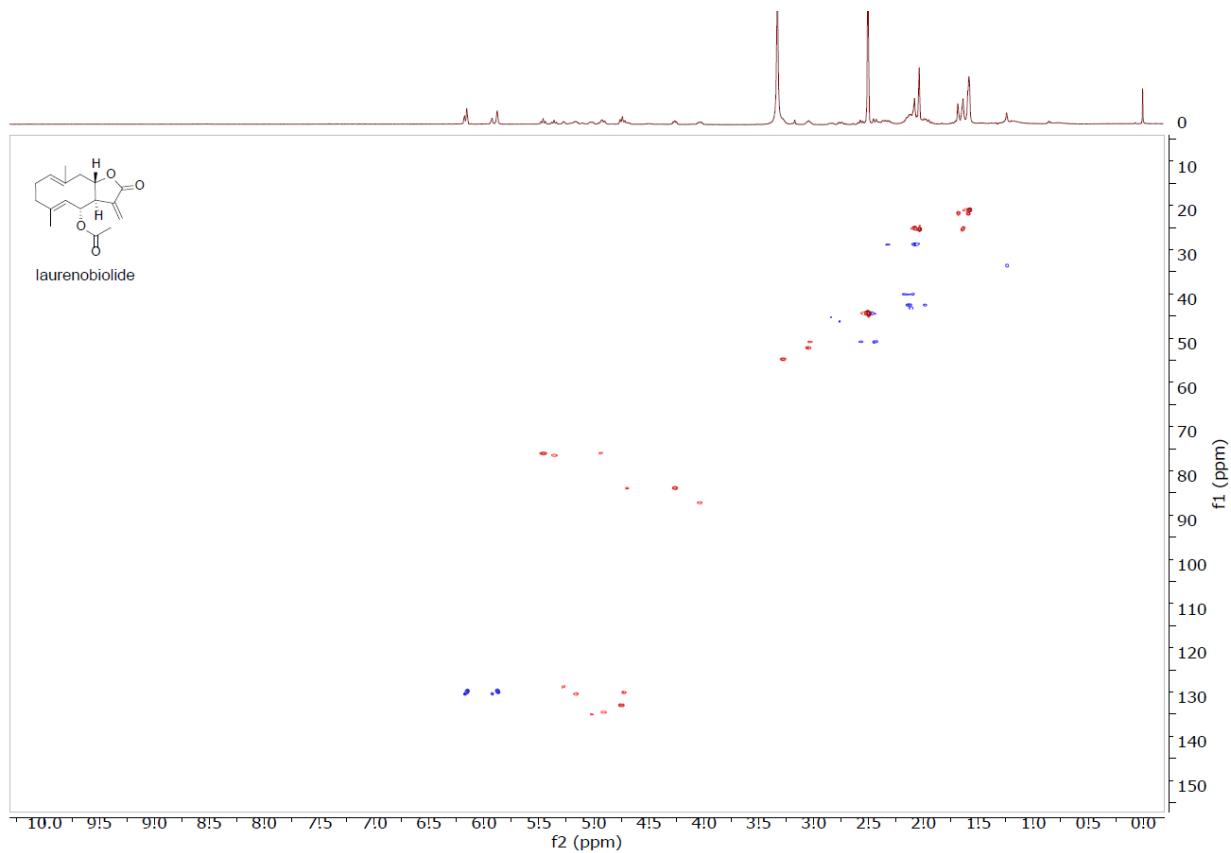


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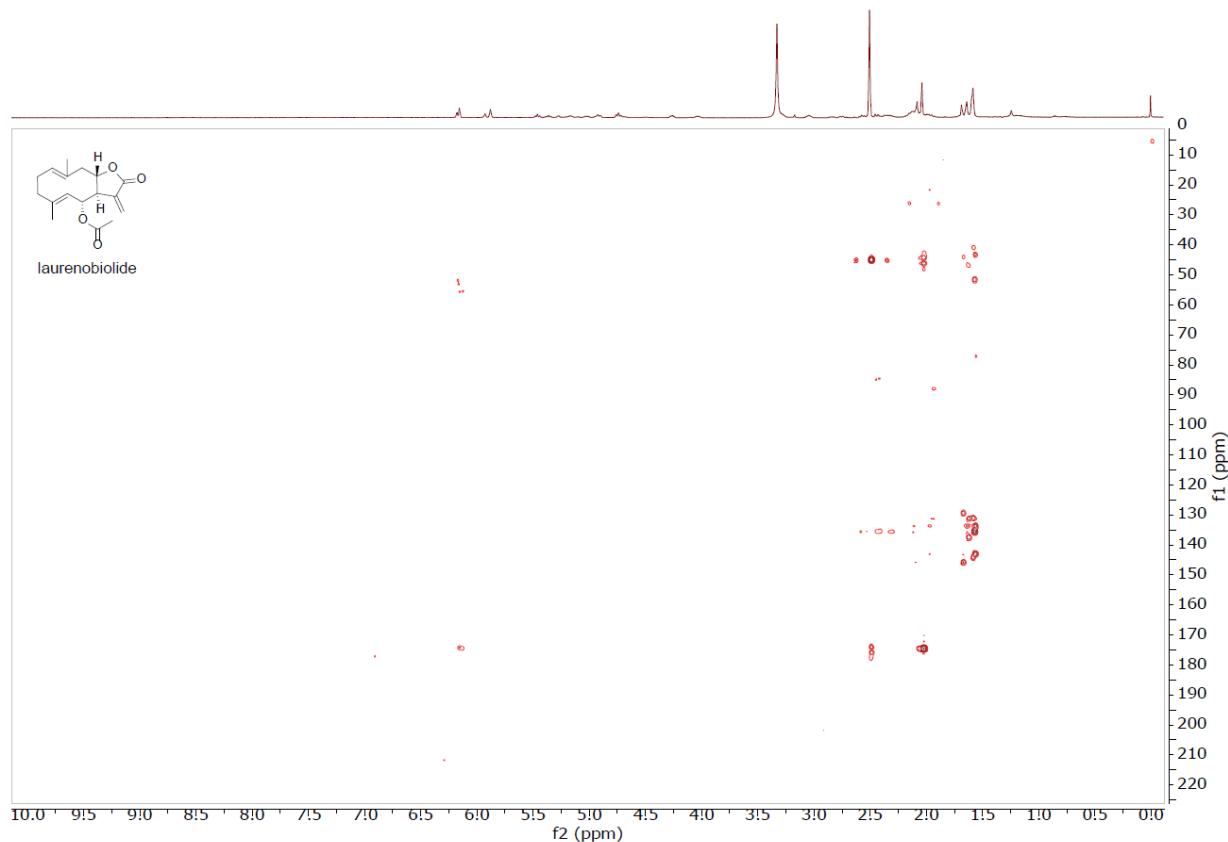


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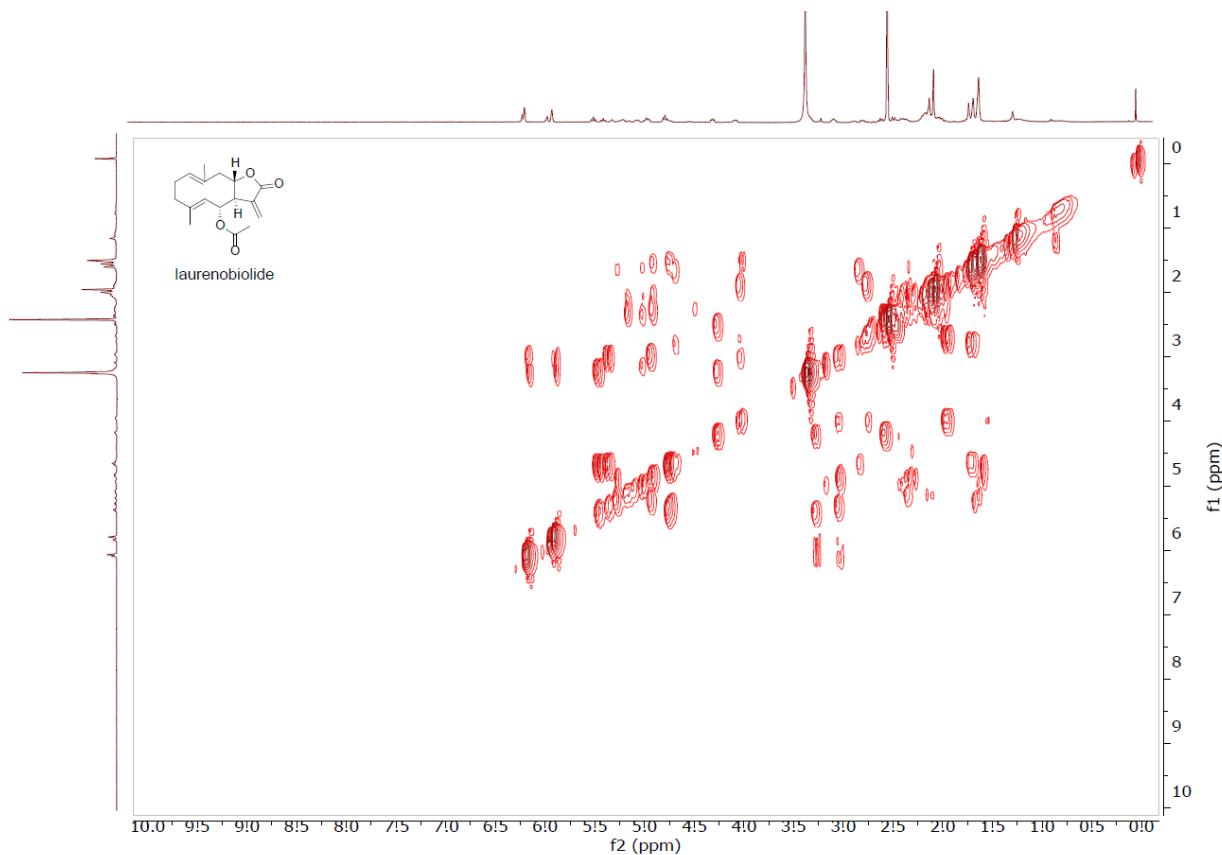


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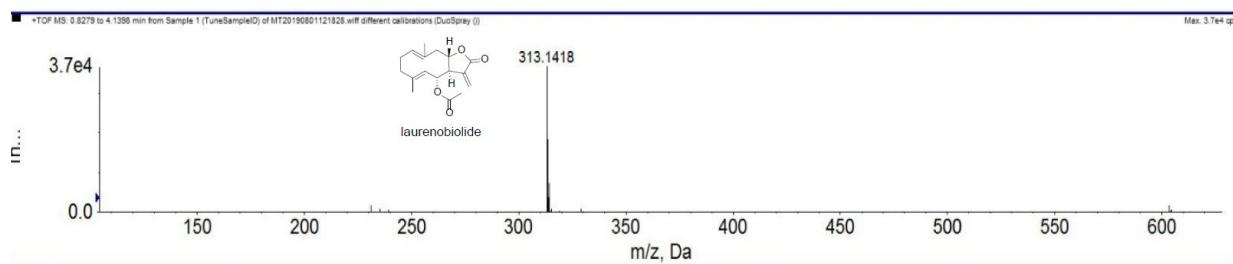


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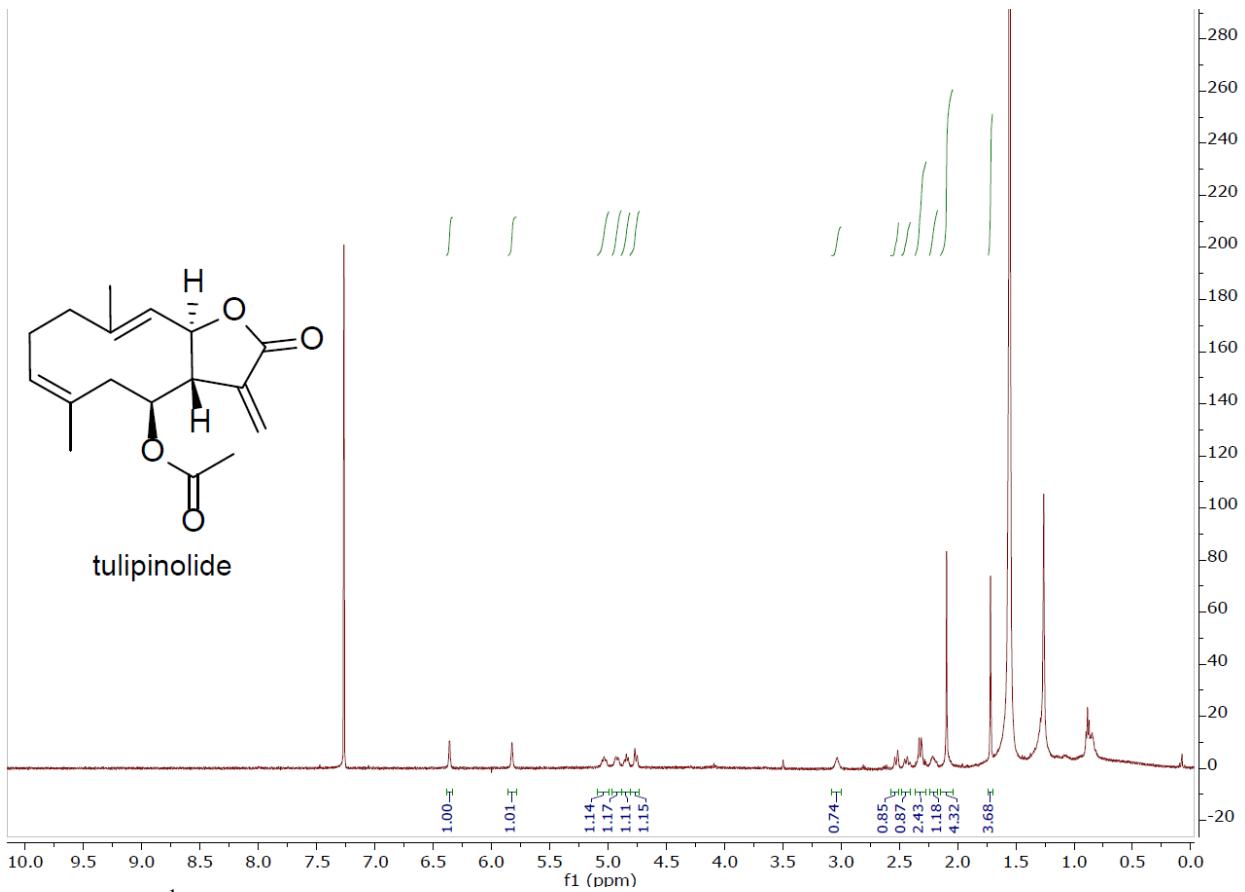


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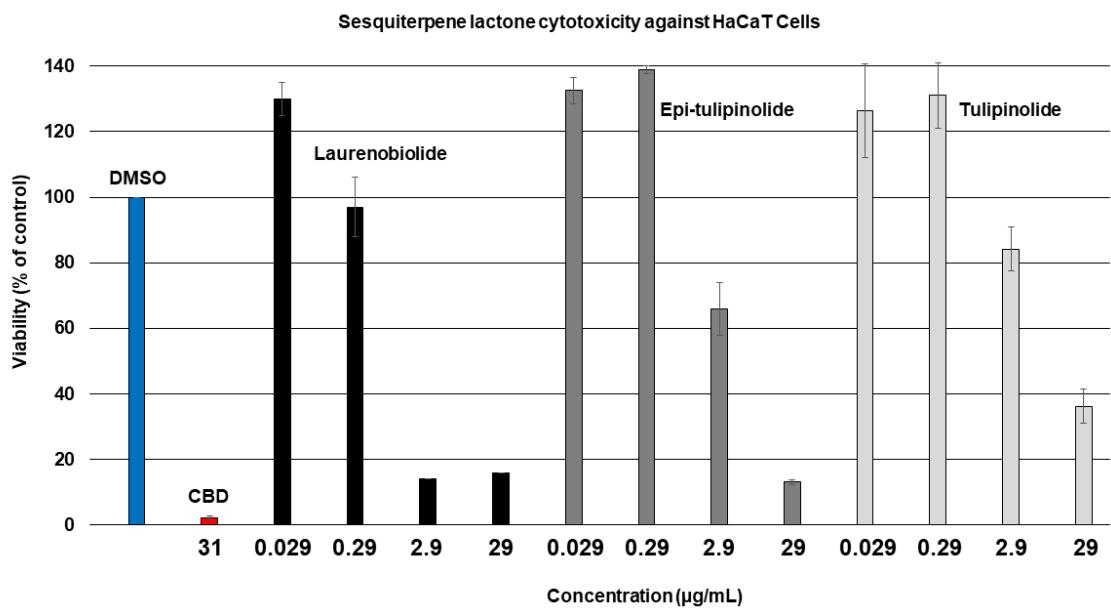


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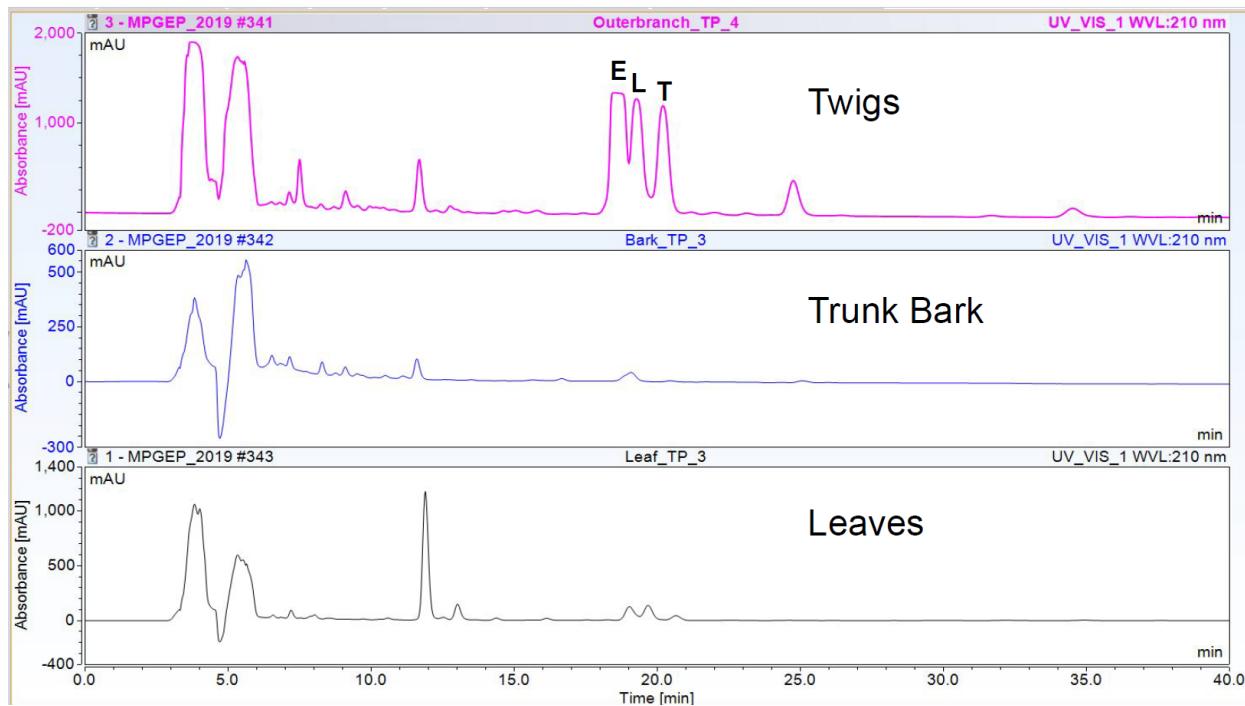


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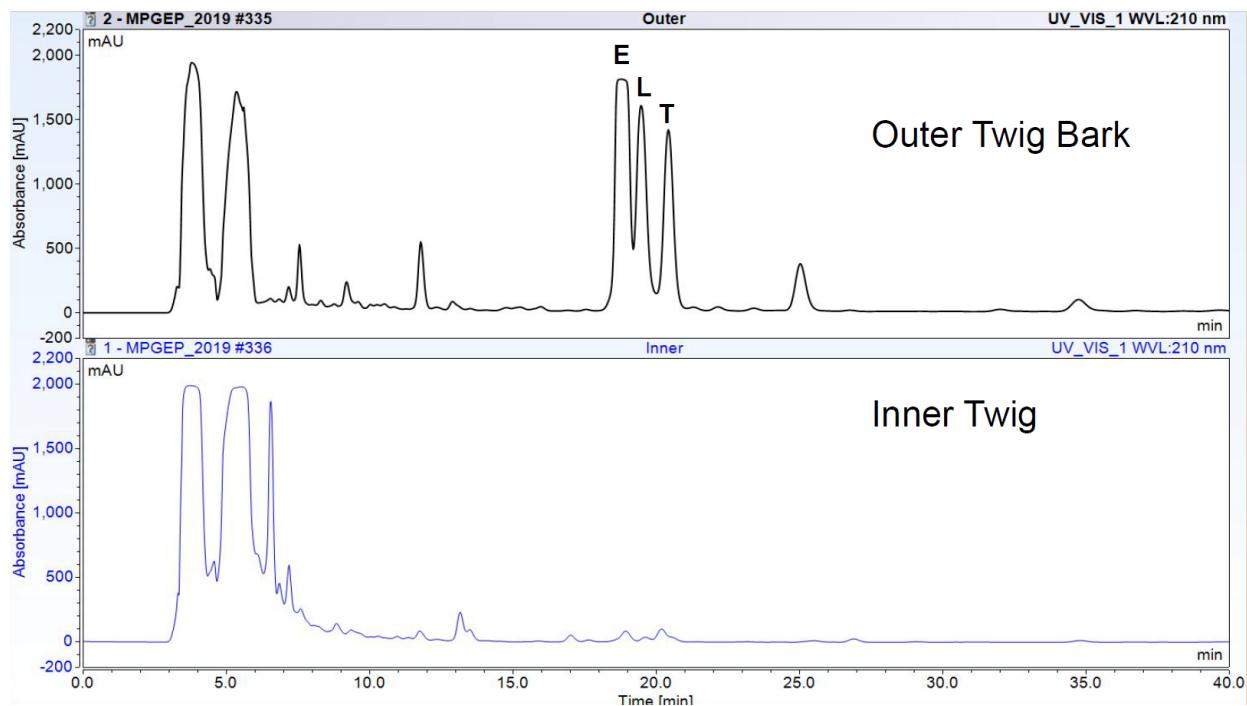


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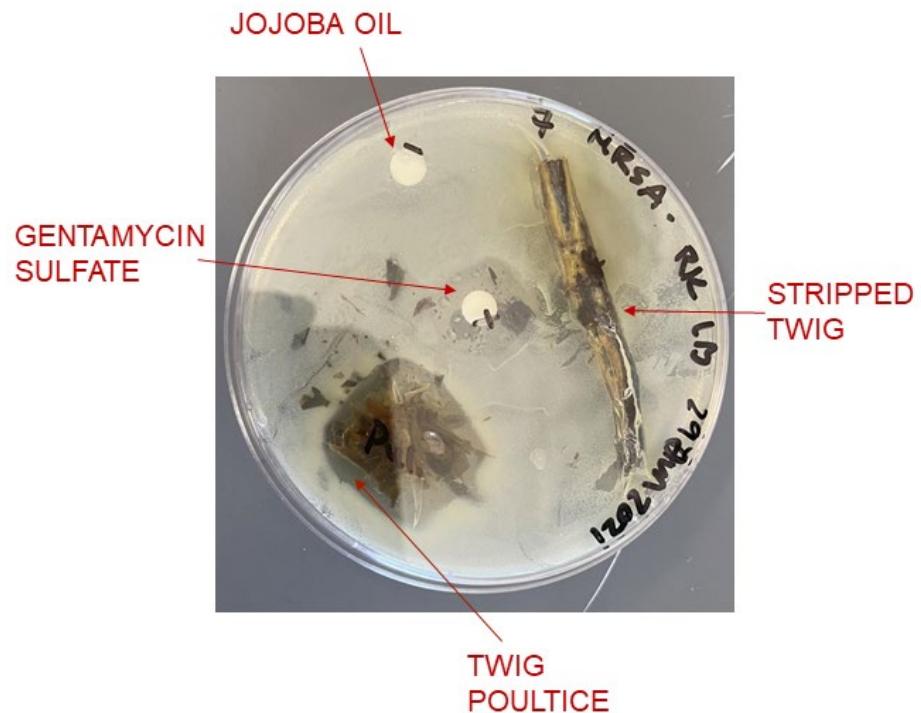


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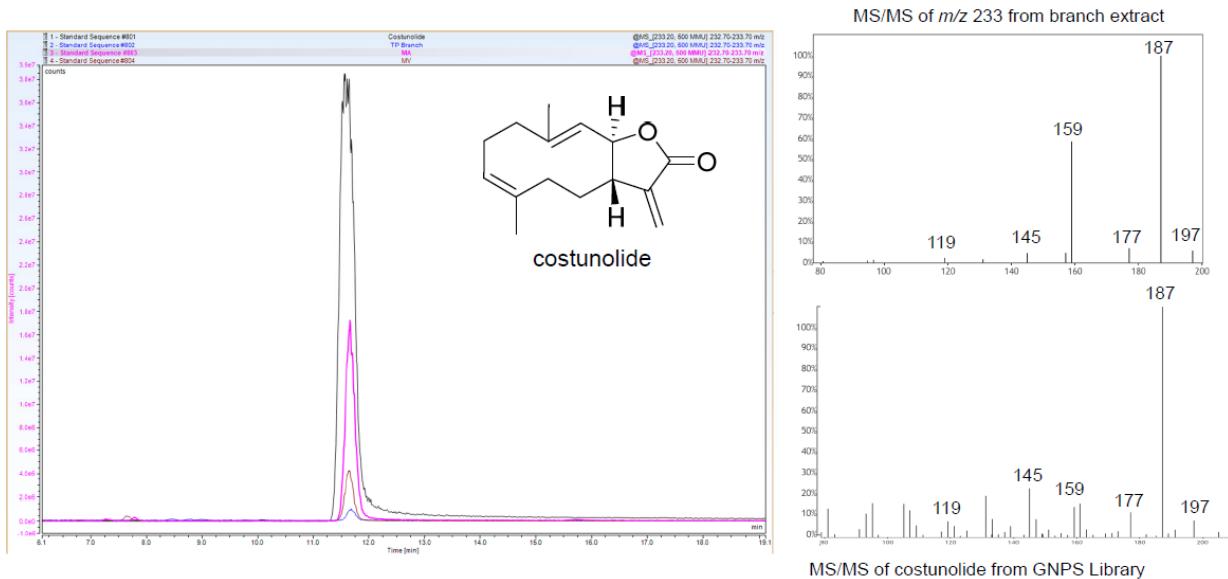


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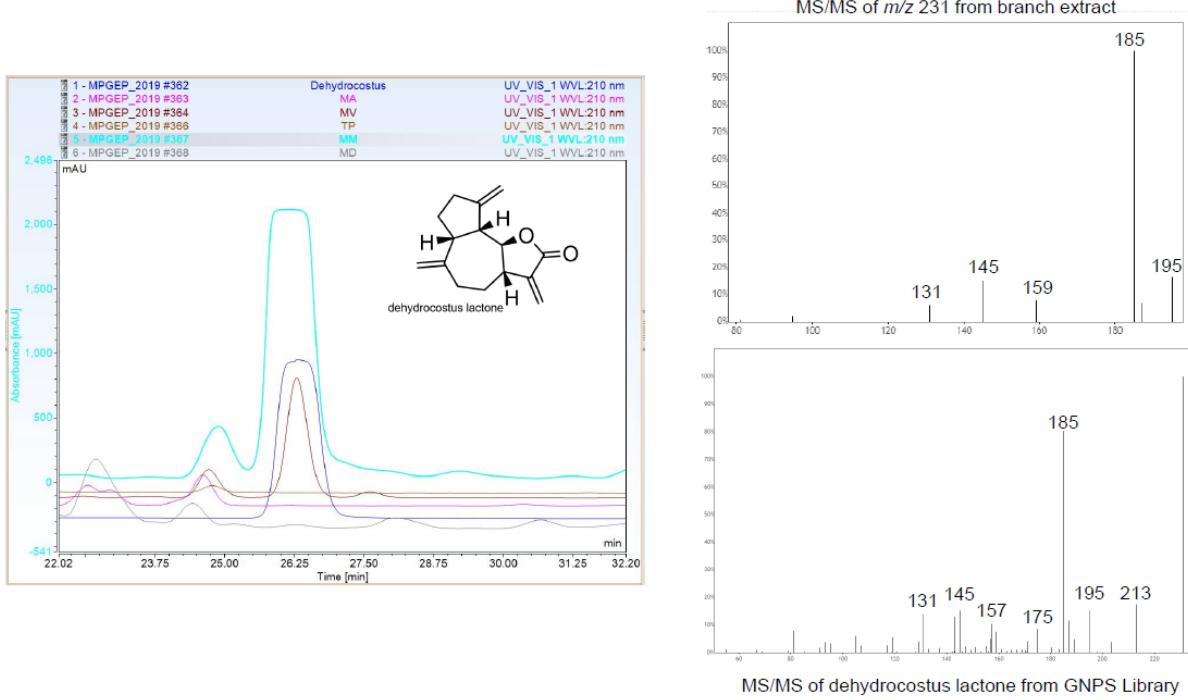


Figure S17. Confirmation of dehydrocostus lactone (blue) in *M. virginiana* (brown) and *M. macrophylla* (cyan).

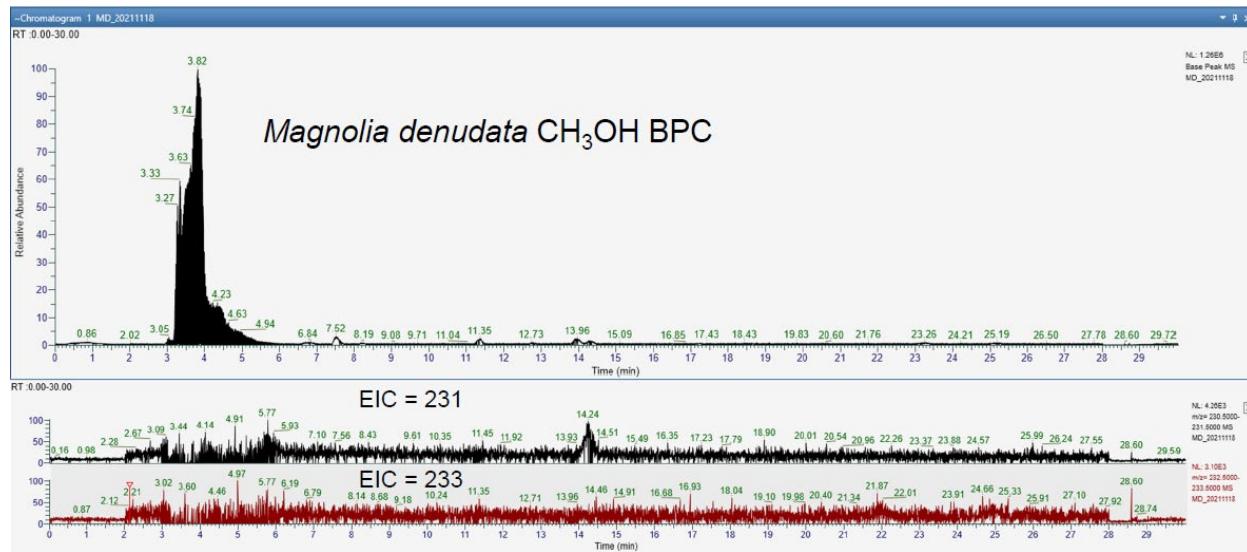


Figure S18. LC-MS/MS analysis of the *M. denudata* branch CH_3OH extract. The top panel is the base peak chromatogram. The middle panel shows an EIC for m/z 231 and the bottom panel shows an EIC for m/z 233.

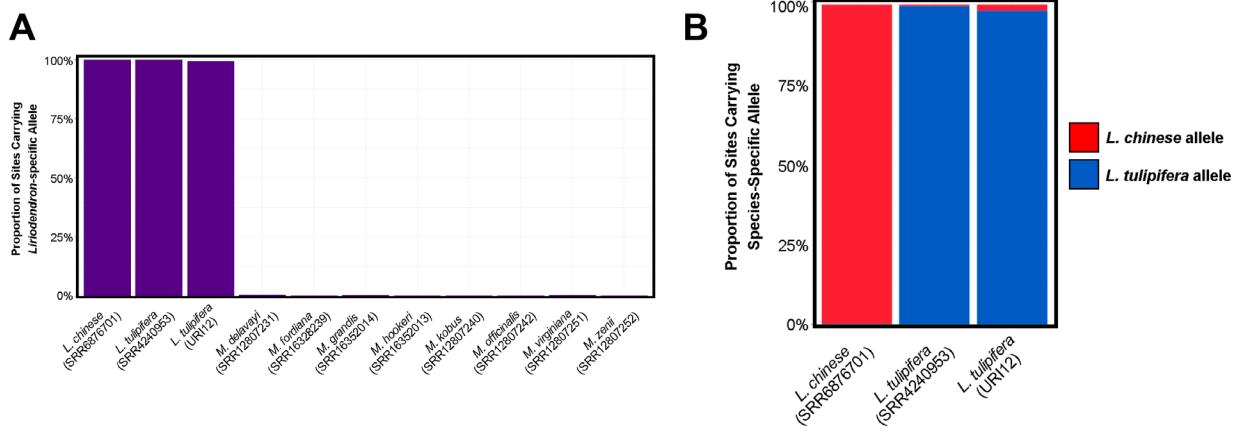


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