

Table S1. The optimal conditions for Multiple Reaction Monitoring (MRM) transitions of phenolic acid and flavonoids.

Compound	Formula	MW	ESI	[M-H] ^{-/+} (m/z)	MS frag- ments (m/z)	Cone voltage (V)	Collision energy (eV)	Retention time (min)
4-hydroxybenzoic acid	C ₇ H ₆ O ₃	138.12	negative	136.95	65.0 93.0	23 23	25 13	1.88±0.01
Protocatechuic acid	C ₇ H ₆ O ₄	154.12	negative	152.95	108.95	25	13	1.64±0.01
Gallic acid	C ₇ H ₆ O ₅	170.12	negative	168.95	78.98 124.95	23 23	22 15	1.37±0.02
Vanillic acid	C ₈ H ₈ O ₄	168.14	negative	167.0	92.2 119.9	22 22	20 15	2.23±0.02
Syringic acid	C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₅	198.17	negative	197.0	122.95 182.0	27 27	23 13	1.93±0.02
p-coumaric acid	C ₉ H ₈ O ₃	164.16	negative	163.0	119.0	15	13	2.13±0.01
Caffeic acid	C ₉ H ₈ O ₄	180.16	negative	178.95	134.95	25	13	1.89±0.03
Ferulic acid	C ₁₀ H ₁₀ O ₄	194.18	negative	192.95	134.0 178.0	26 26	25 12	2.20±0.01
Rosmarinic acid	C ₁₈ H ₁₆ O	360.32	negative	359.2	161.0 197.0	10 10	15 15	2.26±0.01
Chlorogenic acid	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₉	354.31	negative	353.1	84.0 191.02	22 22	44 14	1.70±0.01
Ellagic acid	C ₁₄ H ₆ O ₈	302.19	negative	301	145.0 173.0	35 35	34 36	2.00±0.01
2'-hydroxyflavanone	C ₁₅ H ₁₂ O ₃	240.27	negative	239	119.3 93.1	40 40	25 16	3.42±0.02
7-hydroxyflavanone	C ₁₅ H ₁₂ O ₃	240.27	negative	239.05	135.2 91.15	41 41	25 23	3.18±0.02
4'-methoxyflavanone	C ₁₆ H ₁₄ O ₃	254.29	positive	255.15	240 161.3	31 31	17 22	3.78±0.01
5-methoxyflavanone	C ₁₆ H ₁₄ O ₃	254.29	positive	255.15	151.3	34	22	3.49±0.01
Apigenin-7-O-glucoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₀	432.38	negative	431.15	268.35	35	22	2.16±0.02
Luteolin-7-O-glucoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁	448.38	positive	449.15	287.1	34	31	2.01±0.01
Isorhamnetin	C ₁₆ H ₁₂ O ₇	316.28	negative	315	151.0 300.2	43 43	30 20	2.83±0.03
Quercetin-3-O-rhamnoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁	448.38	negative	447.01	271 300	43 43	47 28	2.27±0.01
Quercetin-3-O-rutinoside	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₆	610.53	negative	609.1	300 271	47 47	39 65	1.92±0.01
Hyperoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₂	464.38	negative	463.3	300 271.15	47 47	24 44	1.99±0.02
Myricetin-3-galactoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₃	480.38	negative	479.05	271.1 287.1	48 48	39 44	1.87±0.01
Kaempferol-3-O-rhamno- side	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₀	432.39	negative	431.05	255.3 284.2	45 45	42 28	2.27±0.01
Ipriflavone	C ₁₈ H ₁₆ O ₃	280.33	positive	281.3	240	40	19	4.17±0.03
Naringin	C ₂₂ H ₃₂ O ₁₄	580.54	negative	579.15	271.1 151.5	45 45	33 40	2.21±0.01

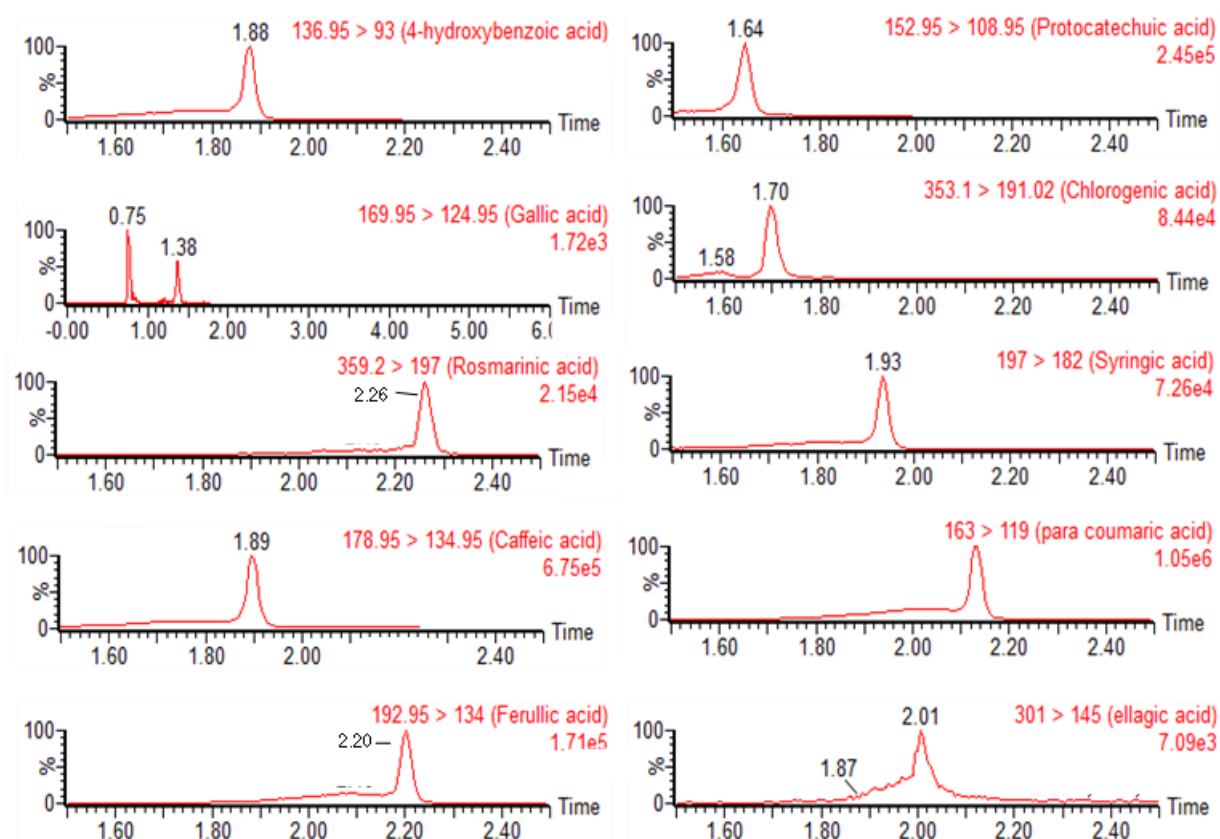


Figure S1. The chromatograms of the phenolic acid standards in the MRM mode, ionized in the negative ESI. The quantification signal is denoted into the spectra.

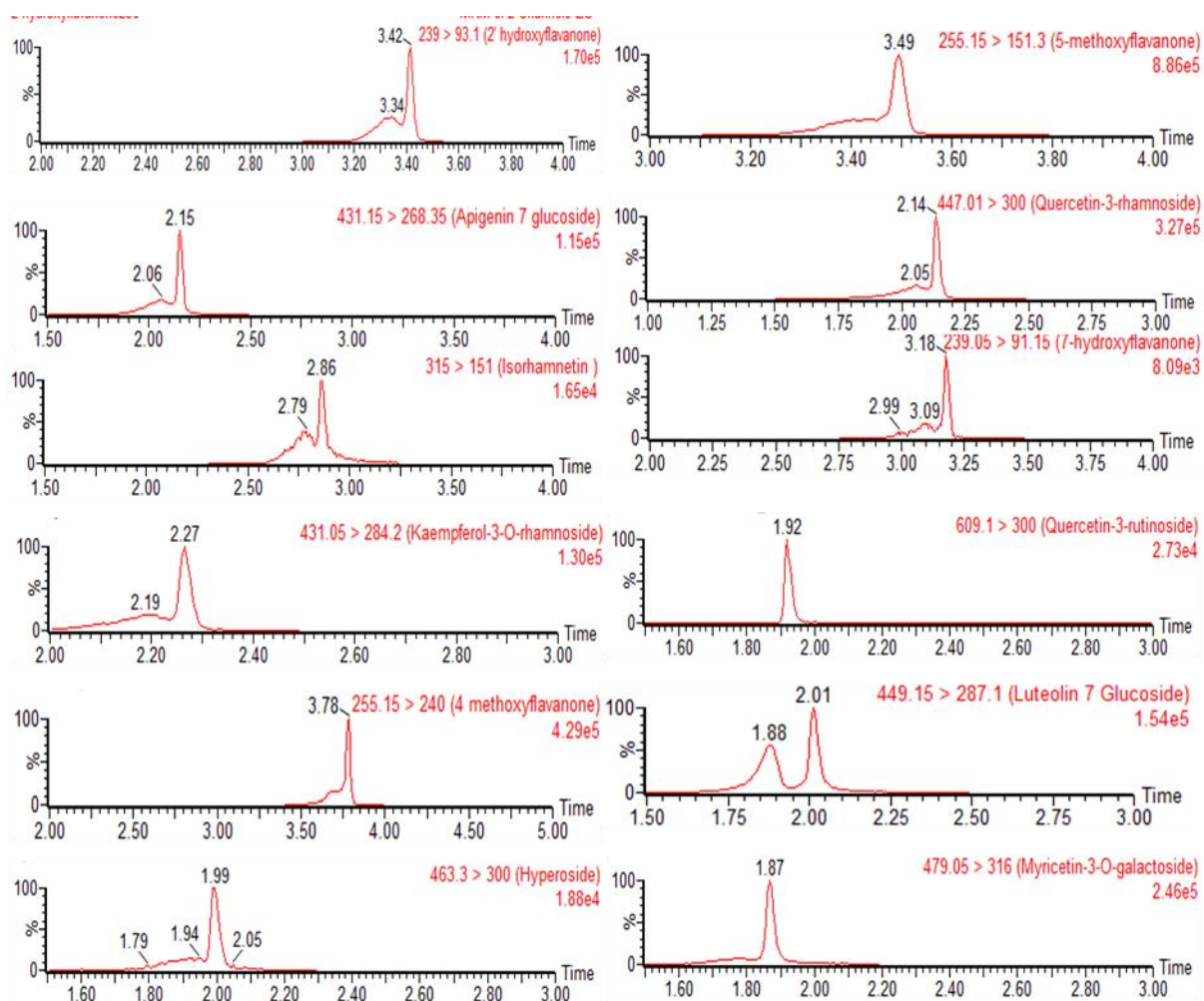


Figure S2. The chromatograms of the flavonoid standards in the MRM mode, ionized on both positive and negative ESI. The quantification signal is denoted into the spectra.

Figure S3: Calibration curve of polyphenolic acids in a range of concentrations (0-500 ppb for phenolic acids and 1.95-250 ppb for flavonoids)

Table S2. The LOD, LOQ, linearity, precision and accuracy results for the screened of phenolic acids.

Compound	Linear range (ppb)	LOD (ppb)	LOQ (ppb)	Calibration equation ^a	Correlation coefficient (r ²)	%RSD		%REC ^d
						(intra-day) ^b	(inter-day) ^c	
4-hydroxybenzoic acid	3.01-499.50	3.01	14.20	y=36.87x-62.07	0.9991	1.1	2.28	102.9
Protocatechuic acid	0.66-504.50	0.66	14.70	y=34.24x-69.4	0.9995	1.2	4.31	99.8
Gallic acid	53.20-513.20	53.20	105.20	y=0.67x-1.5	0.9996	1.03	2.65	95.5
Syringic acid	2.01-501.60	2.01	2.86	y=7.28x-2.7	0.9996	2.02	4.10	93.7
p-coumaric acid	0.65-497.30	0.65	1.55	y=52.84x+36.9	0.9997	0.5	1.95	99.7
Caffeic acid	1.21-500	1.21	1.25	y=92.95x-344.4	0.9995	1.37	2.1	97.2
Ferulic acid	2.10-505.60	2.10	12.17	y=19.02x-68.4	0.9992	4.2	2.53	100.5
Rosmarinic acid	2.32-499.50	2.32	2.56	y=7.03x+12.34	0.9996	0.78	3.0	101.2
Chlorogenic acid	3.48-495.60	3.48	4.76	y=25.02x+60.3	0.9991	0.98	1.99	94.5
Ellagic acid	5.53-499.10	5.53	75.60	y=2.18x+7.4	0.9995	0.57	4.6	95.4
2'-hydroxyflavanone	19.50-250.00	19.50	20.12	y=38.69x+22.5	0.9998	0.65	4.2	89.9
7-hydroxyflavanone	1.97-249.90	1.97	2.21	y=51.17x-73.6	1	0.69	4.2	95.5
4'-methoxyflavanone	2.21-250.00	2.21	3.89	y=83.54x+60.3	0.9999	0.47	4.3	92.2
5-methoxyflavanone	6.47-248.50	6.47	8.52	y=195.14x-493.9	0.9992	0.58	1.89	98.7
Apigenin-7-O-glucoside	1.87-125.30	1.87	4.42	y=6.17x+3.8	0.9998	1.12	3.02	96.5
Luteolin-7-O-glucoside	2.21-250.10	2.21	2.22	y=51.52x-89.9	0.9998	1.32	2.21	96.6
Isorhamnetin	14.01-251.1	14.01	2.31	y=6.08x-15.4	0.9992	1.54	1.87	89.9
Quercetin-3-O-rhamnoside	1.02-250.60	1.02	4.21	y=60.83x-38.6	0.9999	1.7	1.94	92.1
Quercetin-3-O-rutinoside	1.40-251.30	1.40	4.32	y=97.74x+109.7	0.9999	1.01	2.21	94.7
Hyperoside	6.32-249.90	6.32	3.21	y=3.97x+0.5	0.9998	0.7	2.45	94.3
Myricetin-3-galactoside	0.85-251.20	0.85	2.12	y=26.38x-31.8	0.9997	1.3	3.02	91.9
Kaempferol-3-O-rutinoside	0.76-250.00	0.76	1.21	y=25.73x+73.7	0.9997	1.35	1.98	97.7
Ipriflavone	109.90-250.00	109.90	130.21	y=0.62x+2.2	0.9994	1.32	3.05	90.9
Naringin	3.01-250.60	3.01	1.21	y=22.88x-43.3	0.9997	2.7	4.32	101.0

^aChromatographic peak area (y) as a function of ppb concentration (x). ^bValues are means of intra-day assays (n=6). ^c Values are means of inter-day assays (n=6). ^d (n=3).

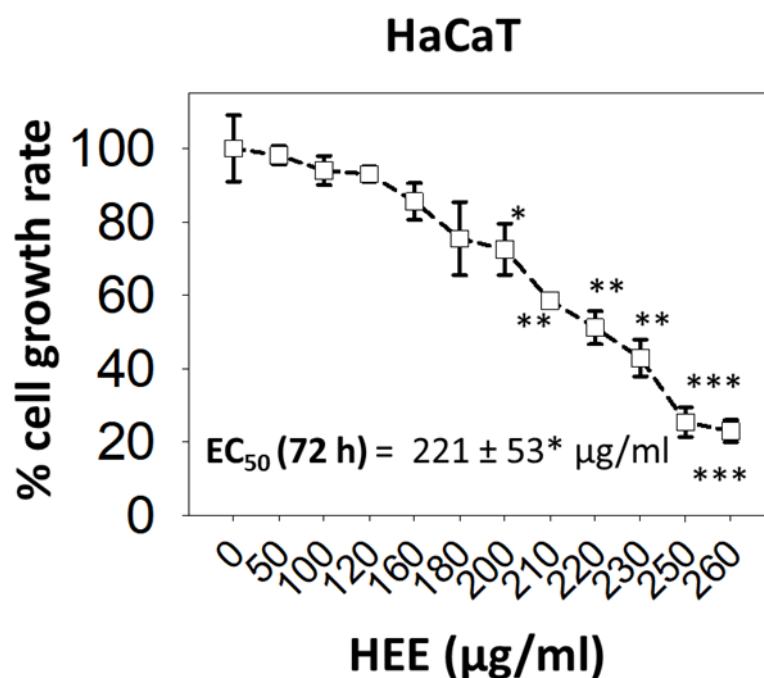


Figure S4. Antiproliferative effect of increasing doses of HEE and EC_{50} value at 72 hr against HaCaT cells. Data are representative of at least three independent experiments and are presented as means \pm SD. Asterisks indicate statistical significance in treated cells growth rate compared to control (Student's t-test, * $p<0.05$, ** $p<0.01$, *** $p<0.001$).

Table S3. GC–MS based metabolite profiling of HEA (Haberlea rhodopensis ethanolic extract). Quantification of the detected metabolites was assessed based on the relative response compared to internal standard adonitol and expressed as relative abundance.

Organic acids		
Lactic acid	1.02	relative abundance compared to the internal standard (adonitol)
Malic acid	0.44	
Erythronic acid	0.23	
D-arabinonic acid	0.28	
Xylonic acid	1.93	
L-(+)-tartatic acid	2.67	
Ribonic acid	6.43	
Palmitic acid	0.65	
Sugars		
D-(+)-xylose	0.32	relative abundance compared to the internal standard (adonitol)
D-(-)-fructose	5.80	
D-(-)-Tagatose	4.46	
d-Glucose	22.47	
d-Galactose	3.72	
Sucrose	109.77	
D-Mannitol	0.26	
Myoinositol	2.95	
Glucrol	3.74	
Other organic molecules		
Gluconic acid	0.20	relative abundance compared to the internal standard (adonitol)
D-(-)-Tagatofuranose	8.90	
D-glucopyranoside	8.50	

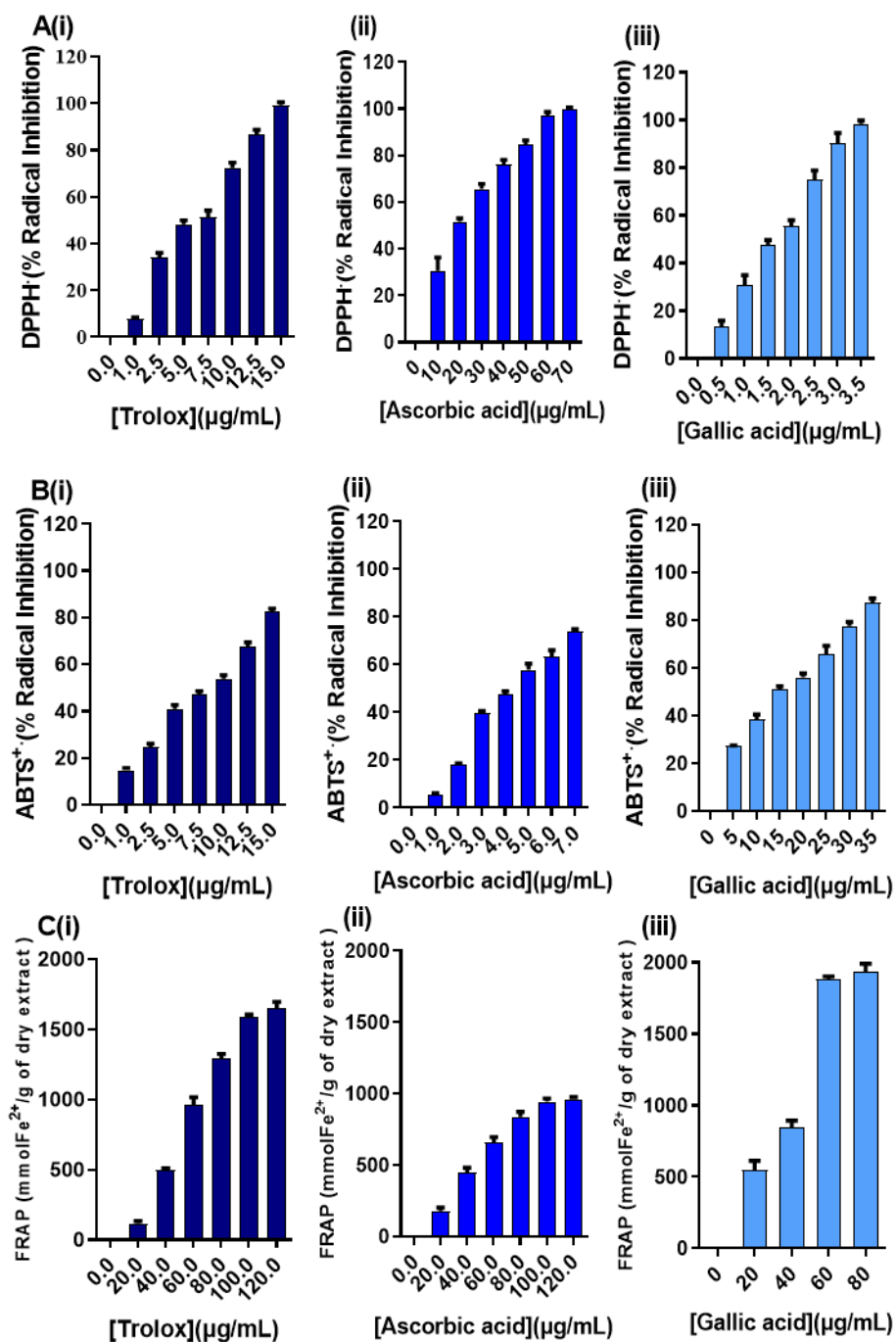


Figure S5. Antioxidant capacity of the positive controls; Trolox, Ascorbic acid and gallic acid as determined by (A) DPPH•, (B) ABTS•+ and (C) FRAP assay. Data are expressed as means \pm SEM and are representative of three independent experiments.