

Supplementary Material

Polyphenolic and glucosinolate profile distribution among the aerial parts of *Nasturtium officinale* (Watercress)

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Table S1: Multiple Reaction Monitoring conditions for glucosinolates in UPLC-MS/MS analysis

Glucosinolate	Chemical formula	Molecular weight	[M-H] ⁻ (m/z)	MS ² fragments (m/z)	Cone voltage (V)	Collision energy (eV)	Retention time (R _t)
Glucoiberin	C ₁₁ H ₂₁ NO ₁₀ S ₃	423.48	422.1	97.2 259.15	33	26 25	1.22
Glucoraphanine	C ₁₂ H ₂₃ NO ₁₀ S ₃	437.51	436.1	96.95 372.0	26	23 20	1.20
Glucocamelinin	C ₁₈ H ₃₅ NO ₁₀ S ₃	521.66	520.0	97.0 456.4	26	26 19	5.88
Glucoarabin	C ₁₇ H ₃₃ NO ₁₀ S ₃	547.64	546.01	331.05 96.95	35	26 32	7.42
Homoglucocamelinin	C ₁₉ H ₃₇ NO ₁₀ S ₃	535.69	534.15	470.0 519.4	19	25 25	6.30
Glucoraphenin	C ₁₂ H ₂₁ NO ₁₀ S ₃	435.59	434.05	96.95 259.0	32	16 18	1.21
Glucocheirolin	C ₁₁ H ₂₁ NO ₁₁ S ₃	439.48	438.05	96.95 75.1	19	29 26	1.23
Glucolepidiin	C ₉ H ₁₇ NO ₉ S ₂	347.36	346.05	75.1 96.95	26	26 14	1.27
Glucoerucin	C ₁₂ H ₂₃ NO ₉ S ₃	421.51	420.01	96.9 259.0	32	19 19	3.75
Glucoberteroin	C ₁₃ H ₂₄ NO ₉ S ₃	435.52	434.1	96.9 259.0	17	17 22	4.90
Sinigrin	C ₁₀ H ₁₇ NO ₉ S ₂	359.37	357.8	96.95 194.93	35	17 21	1.44
Gluconapin	C ₁₁ H ₁₉ NO ₉ S ₂	373.40	372.0	96.9	35	34	2.11
Glucobrassicinapin	C ₁₂ H ₂₁ NO ₉ S ₂	387.43	386.0	96.95	23	12	3.65
Progoitrin	C ₁₁ H ₁₉ NO ₁₀ S ₂	389.4	388.05	96.95 195.05	9	15 20	1.23
Epiprogoitrin	C ₁₁ H ₁₉ NO ₁₀ S ₂	389.4	388.05	97 195.1	22	19 19	1.45

Glucotropaeolin	$C_{14}H_{19}NO_9S_2$	409.43	408.0	96.95 166.01	20	20 19	3.70
Gluconasturtiin	$C_{15}H_{21}NO_9S_2$	423.46	422.05	96.9	18	16	4.87
Sinalbin	$C_{14}H_{19}NO_{10}S_2$	425.43	424.0	75.15 96.95	20	26 21	1.71
Glucolimnanthin	$C_{15}H_{21}NO_{10}S_2$	439.46	438.05	96.95 260.0	22	22 18	4.39
Glucobrassicin	$C_{16}H_{20}N_2O_9S_2$	448.47	446.95	97.0 259.0	22	18 22	4.21
Neoglucobrassicin	$C_{17}H_{22}N_2O_{10}S_2$	478.49	477.0	97.05 446.0	22	22 11	5.64
4-methoxyglucobrassicin	$C_{17}H_{22}N_2O_{10}S_2$	478.49	477.05	195.0 275.0	22	20 20	5.17
Glucomoringin	$C_{20}H_{29}NO_{14}S_2$	571.57	570.0	570.0	28	10	1.28

Table S2: Multiple Reaction Monitoring conditions for polyphenolic compounds in UPLC-MS/MS analysis

Polyphenolic compound	Chemical formula	Molecular weight	[M-H] [±] (m/z)	MS ² fragments (m/z)	Cone voltage (V)	Collision energy (eV)	Retention time (R _t)
4-hydroxybenzoic acid	C ₇ H ₆ O ₃	138.12	136.95	65.0 93.0	23	25 13	1.88
Protocatechuic acid	C ₇ H ₆ O ₄	154.12	152.95	108.95	25	13	1.64
Gallic acid	C ₇ H ₆ O ₅	170.12	168.95	78.98 124.95	23	22 15	1.37
Vanillin	C ₈ H ₈ O ₃	152.15	151.0	92.2 136.0	22	20 15	2.23
Syringic acid	C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₅	198.17	197.0	122.95 182.0	27	23 13	1.93
p-coumaric acid	C ₉ H ₈ O ₃	164.16	163.0	119.0	15	13	2.13
Caffeic acid	C ₉ H ₈ O ₄	180.16	178.95	134.95	25	13	1.89
Ferulic acid	C ₁₀ H ₁₀ O ₄	194.18	192.95	134.0 178.0	26	25 12	2.20
Rosmarinic acid	C ₁₈ H ₁₆ O	360.32	359.2	161.0 197.0	10	15 15	2.26
Chlorogenic acid	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ O ₉	354.31	353.1	84.0 191.02	22	44 14	1.70
Ellagic acid	C ₁₄ H ₆ O ₈	302.19	301	145.0 173.0	35	34 36	2.00
2'-hydroxyflavanone	C ₁₅ H ₁₂ O ₃	240.27	239	119.3 93.1	40	25 16	3.42
7-hydroxyflavanone	C ₁₅ H ₁₂ O ₃	240.27	239.05	135.2 91.15	41	25 23	3.42
4'-methoxyflavanone	C ₁₆ H ₁₄ O ₃	254.29	255.15	240 161.3	31	17 22	3.78
5-methoxyflavanone	C ₁₆ H ₁₄ O ₃	254.29	255.15	151.3	34	22	3.49
Apigenin-7-O-glucoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₀	432.38	431.15	268.35	35	22	2.15
Luteolin-7-O-glucoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁	448.38	449.15	287.1	34	31	2.01

Isorhamnetin	C ₁₆ H ₁₂ O ₇	316.28	315	151.0 300.2	43	30 20	2.86
Quercetin-3-O-rhamnoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₁	448.38	447.01	271.0 300.0	43	47 28	2.14
Quercetin-3-O-rutinoside	C ₂₇ H ₃₀ O ₁₆	610.53	609.1	300.0 271	47	39 65	1.92
Hyperoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₂	464.38	463.3	300.0 271.15	47	24 44	1.99
Myricetin-3-galactoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₃	480.38	479.05	271.1 287.1	48	39 44	1.87
Kaempferol-3-O-rutinoside	C ₂₁ H ₂₀ O ₁₀	432.39	431.05	255.3 284.2	45	42 28	2.27
Ipriflavone	C ₁₈ H ₁₆ O ₃	280.33	281.3	240	40	19	4.17
Naringin	C ₂₂ H ₃₂ O ₁₄	580.54	579.15	271.1 151.5	45	33 40	2.21

Table S3: Multiple Reaction Monitoring conditions for derivatized (into thioureas) isothiocyanates in UPLC-MS/MS analysis

(Isothiocyanate) derivatized thiourea	Chemical formula	Molecular weight	[M-H] ⁺ (m/z)	MS ² fragments (m/z)	Cone voltage (V)	Collision energy (eV)	Retention time (R _t)
(Iberin) thiourea	C ₅ H ₁₂ N ₂ OS ₂	180.29	181.3	163.4	22	15	4.61
(Allyl) thiourea	C ₄ H ₇ N ₂ S	115.18	116.18	99.8	19	13	6.13
(Sulforaphane) thiourea	C ₆ H ₁₄ N ₂ OS ₂	194.31	195.4	117.2	12	11	3.22
(Benzyl) thiourea	C ₈ H ₁₀ N ₂ S	166.24	167.4	148.9	18	9	15.43
(Phenethyl) thiourea	C ₉ H ₁₂ N ₂ S	180.27	181.0	104.99	20	17	19.45
Indole-3-carbinol	C ₉ H ₉ NO	147.17	148.0	117	17	9	2.12

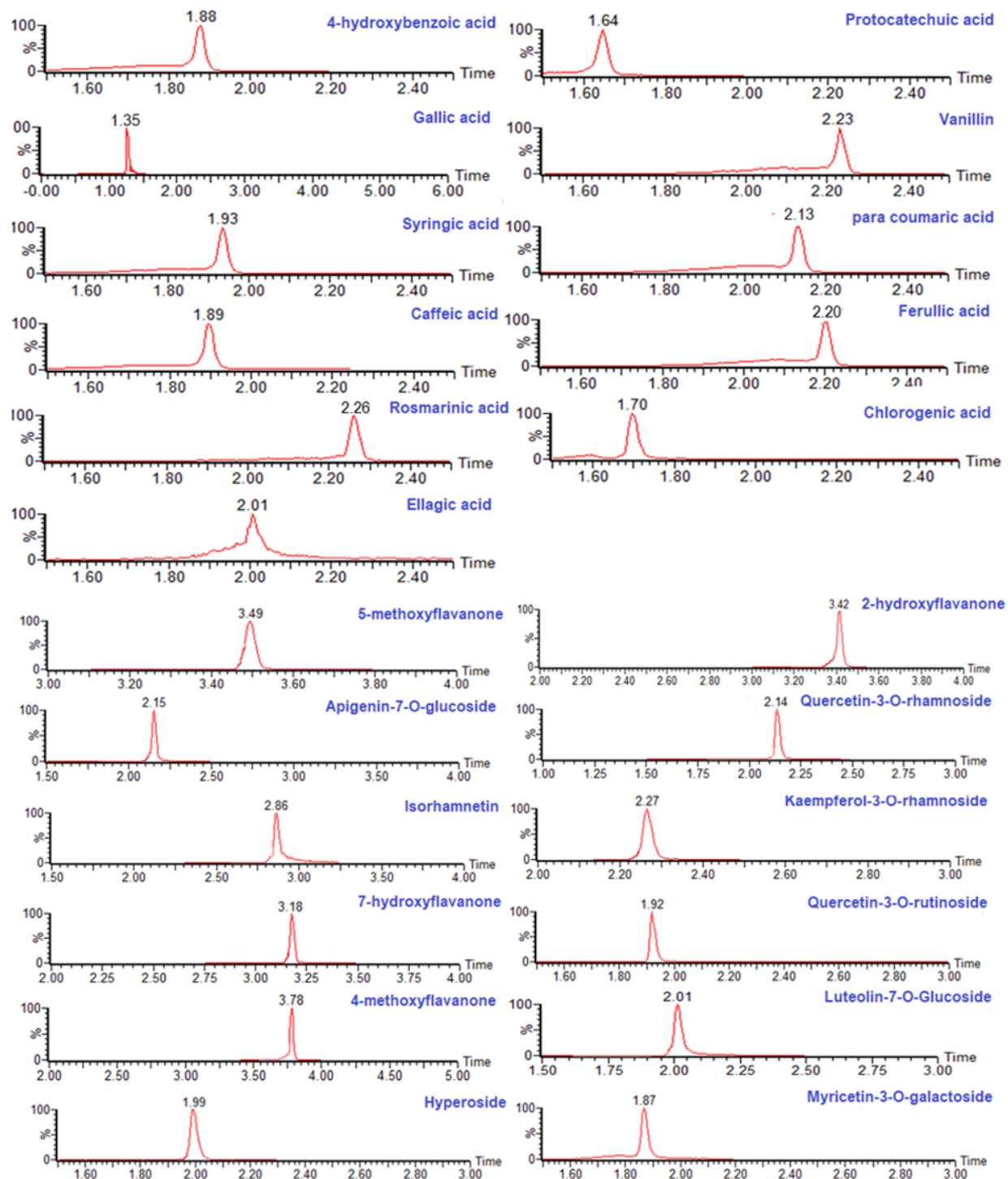


Figure S1: Extracted UPLC- ESI-MS/MS chromatograms of polyphenolic compounds (including phenolic acids and flavonoids) in watercress sample extracts.

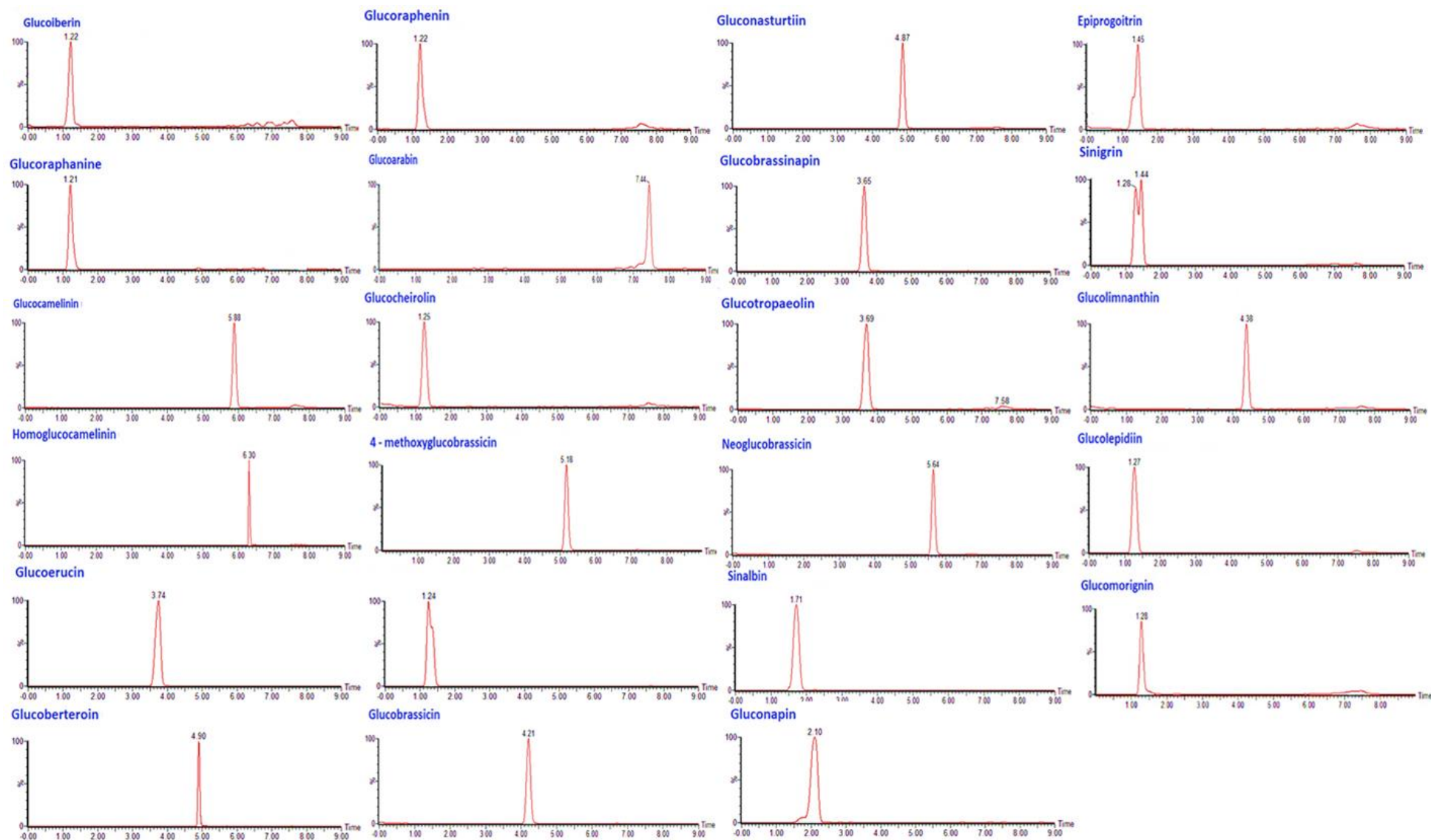


Figure S2: Extracted UPLC- ESI-MS/MS chromatograms of glucosinolates in watercress sample extracts.

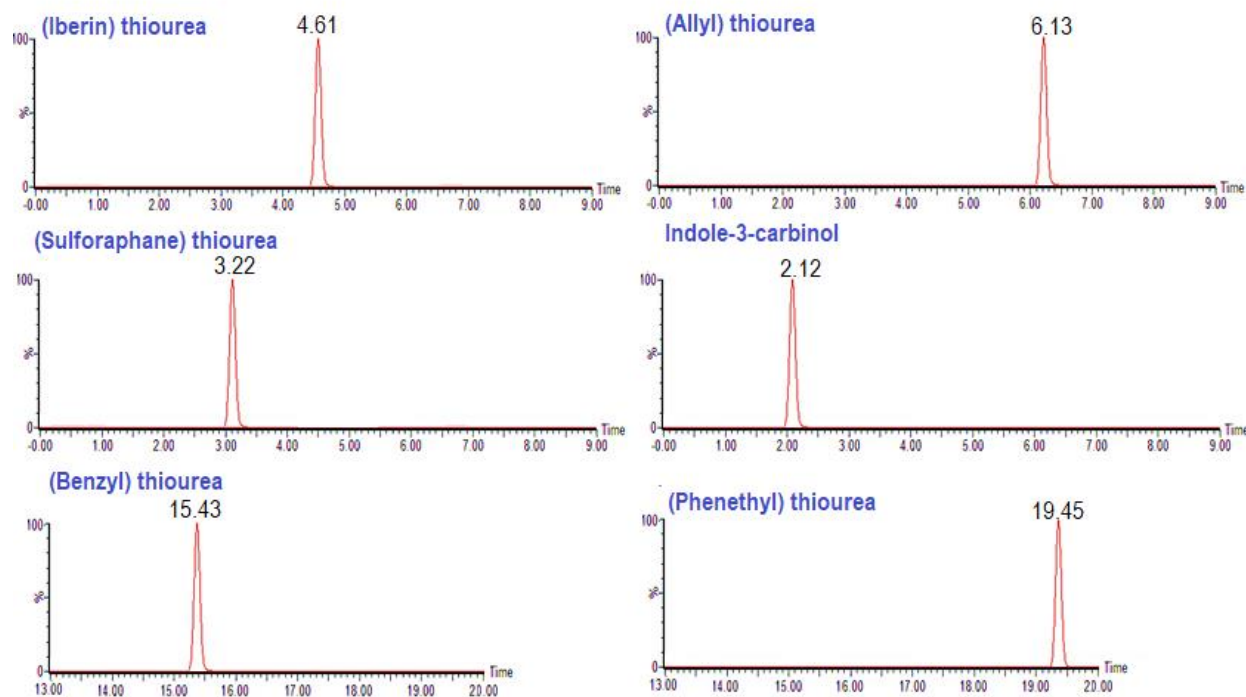


Figure S3: Extracted UPLC- ESI-MS/MS chromatograms of thioureas (derivatized isothiocyanates) in watercress sample extracts.

Table S4: The limit of detection (LOD), quantification (LOQ), linearity, precision and accuracy results for the screened intact glucosinolates. The calibration equations represent the peak area as a function of concentration in ppb. The intra- and inter- day experimental data concern data that have been collected from a six days experiment, whereas the %recovery data are the means of three indepedented experiments.

Compound	Linear range (ppb)	LOD (ppb)	LOQ (ppb)	Calibration equation ^a	Correlation coefficient (r ²)	%RSD		%REC ^d
						(intra-day) ^b	(inter-day) ^c	
GLUCOSINOLATES								
Glucoiberin	0.27-249.80	0.27	0.79	y=0.21x-0.57	0.9998	0.98	2.28	98.3
Glucoraphanine	1.10-250.1	1.10	3.65	y=3.19x-4.6	0.9990	0.57	4.31	89.6
Glucocamelinin	1.69-250.10	1.69	5.64	y=4.54x-5.24	0.9991	0.65	2.65	84.0
Homoglucocamelinin	3.70-248.30	3.70	12.36	y=5.82x+1.04	0.9995	0.69	2.32	96.3
Glucoarabin	3.36-249.80	3.36	11.21	y=7.63x+2.22	0.9989	0.47	4.10	99.9
Glucoraphenine	5.22-246.60	5.22	17.40	y=2.41x-1.05	0.9989	0.58	1.95	100.2
Glucoscheirolin	6.36-251.20	6.36	21.20	y=2.33x-5.00	0.9997	1.12	2.1	93.2
Glucoslepidiin	4.26-248.60	4.26	14.20	y=1.13x-7.17	0.9954	1.32	2.53	85.0
Glucosberteroin	3.66-2.49	3.66	12.20	y=3.38x-6.27	0.9999	1.54	3.0	96.4
Glucoerucin	1.68-377.20	1.68	5.60	y=3.56x-2.64	0.9991	2.6	1.99	97.8
Sinigrin	1.96-255.40	1.96	6.54	y=1.46x-3.32	0.9981	2.2	1.1	98.4
Gluconapin	2.69-243.8	2.69	8.98	y=1.84x-1.48	0.9987	2.2	1.2	93.1
Glucobrassicinapin	4.37-246.5	4.37	14.58	y=1.16x-1.60	0.9992	2.3	1.03	87.6
Epiprogoitrin	6.79-237.40	6.79	22.65	y=0.98x-7.07	0.9995	1.89	1.04	99.5
Progoitrin	4.77-248.0	4.77	15.90	y=1.27x-0.58	0.9961	2.02	2.02	99.5
Glucolimnanthin	4.89-247.90	4.89	16.32	y=5.24x+0.93	0.9989	2.21	0.5	94.6
Sinibin	5.36-262.30	5.36	17.89	y=2.25x-6.36	0.9932	1.87	1.37	89.9

Gluconasturtiin	2.99-258.20	2.99	9.98	$y=2.08x-1.60$	0.9977	2.25	4.2	95.5
Glucotropaeolin	2.69-250.50	2.69	8.97	$y=7.07x+11.65$	0.9983	1.14	0.78	92.2
Glucobrassicin	2.99-250.50	2.99	9.99	$y=2.15x-2.44$	0.9994	1.6	0.96	98.7
Glucomoringin	3.53-254.40	3.53	11.78	$y=4.64x+3.73$	0.9992	3.2	1.11	100.5
4-methoxyglucobrassicin	4.29-251.90	4.29	14.30	$y=2.55x-1.21$	0.9984	2.89	1.63	101.2
Neoglucobrassicin	3.75-233.90	3.75	12.50	$y=8.014x-1.95$	0.9993	1.21	2.42	93.7

Chromatographic peak area (y) as a function of ppb concentration (x)

^b Values are means of intra-day assays ($n=6$)

^c Values are means of inter-day assays ($n=6$)

^d ($n=3$)

Table S5: The limit of detection (LOD), quantification (LOQ), linearity, precision and accuracy results for the screened polyphenolic compounds. The calibration equations represent the peak area as a function of concentration in ppb. The intra- and inter- day experimental data concern data that have been collected from a six days experiment, whereas the %recovery data are the means of three independent experiments.

Compound	Linear range (ppb)	LOD (ppb)	LOQ (ppb)	Calibration equation ^a	Correlation coefficient (r ²)	%RSD		%REC ^d
						(intra-day) ^b	(inter-day) ^c	
POLYPHENOLIC COMPOUNDS								
4-hydroxybenzoic acid	3.01-499.50	3.01	14.20	y=36.87x-62.07	0.9991	1.15	2.21	98.8
Protocatechuic acid	0.66-504.50	0.66	14.70	y=34.24x-69.4	0.9995	1.25	2.65	86.3
Gallic acid	53.20-513.20	53.20	105.20	y=0.67x-1.5	0.9996	0.46	0.21	99.9
Vanillin	2.87-335.00	2.87	5.62	y=0.67x-0.1	0.9999	0.98	0.95	100.4
Syringic acid	2.01-501.60	2.01	2.86	y=7.28x-2.7	0.9996	1.36	1.01	96.6
p-coumaric acid	0.65-497.30	0.65	1.55	y=52.84x+36.9	0.9997	1.7	1.94	93.2
Caffeic acid	1.21-500	1.21	1.25	y=92.95x-344.4	0.9995	1.01	2.21	100.1
Ferulic acid	2.10-505.60	2.10	12.17	y=19.02x-68.4	0.9992	0.7	2.45	102.6
Rosmarinic acid	2.32-499.50	2.32	2.56	y=7.03x+12.34	0.9996	1.3	3.02	86.9
Chlorogenic acid	3.48-495.60	3.48	4.76	y=25.02x+60.3	0.9991	1.35	1.98	87.4
Ellagic acid	5.53-499.10	5.53	75.60	y=2.18x+7.4	0.9995	1.32	3.05	89.9
2'-hydroxyflavanone	19.50-250.00	19.50	20.12	y=38.69x+22.5	0.9998	2.7	4.32	99.5

7-hydroxyflavanone	1.97- 249.90	1.97	2.21	$y=51.17x-73.6$	1	2.63	1.42	98.9
4'-methoxyflavanone	2.21- 250.00	2.21	3.89	$y=83.54x+60.3$	0.9999	2.89	1.87	93.6
5-methoxyflavanone	6.47- 248.50	6.47	8.52	$y=195.14x-493.9$	0.9992	3.21	2.69	94.7
Apigenin-7- <i>O</i> -glucoside	1.87- 125.30	1.87	4.42	$y=6.17x+3.8$	0.9998	3.48	2.54	95.8
Luteolin-7- <i>O</i> -glucoside	2.21- 250.10	2.21	2.22	$y=51.52x-89.9$	0.9998	3.64	3.22	89.2
Isorhamnetin	14.01- 251.1	14.01	2.31	$y=6.08x-15.4$	0.9992	2.48	1.18	100.1
Quercetin-3- <i>O</i> -rhamnoside	1.02- 250.60	1.02	4.21	$y=60.83x-38.6$	0.9999	2.21	3.01	99.8
Quercetin-3- <i>O</i> -rutinoside	1.40- 251.30	1.40	4.32	$y=97.74x+109.7$	0.9999	1.35	1.89	87.4
Hyperoside	6.32- 249.90	6.32	3.21	$y=3.97x+0.5$	0.9998	2.14	1.37	96.3
Myricetin-3-galactoside	0.85- 251.20	0.85	2.12	$y=26.38x-31.8$	0.9997	1.78	1.65	100.2
Kaempferol-3- <i>O</i> -rutinoside	0.76- 250.00	0.76	1.21	$y=25.73x+73.7$	0.9997	1.36	2.21	91.2
Ipriflavone	109.90- 250.00	109.90	13.21	$y=0.62x+2.2$	0.9994	1.69	1.11	93.6
Naringin	3.01- 250.60	3.01	1.21	$y=22.88x-43.3$	0.9997	2.22	4.02	95.4

^a Chromatographic peak area (y) as a function of ppb concentration (x)

^b Values are means of intra-day assays ($n=6$)

^c Values are means of inter-day assays ($n=6$)

^d ($n=3$)

Table S6: The limit of detection (LOD), quantification (LOQ), linearity, precision and accuracy results for the screened derivatized isothiocyanates compounds. The calibration equations represent the peak area as a function of concentration in ppb. The intra- and inter- day experimental data concern data that have been collected from a six days experiment, whereas the %recovery data are the means of three indepented experiments.

Compound	Linear range (ppb)	LOD (ppb)	LOQ (ppb)	Calibration equation ^a	Correlation coefficient (r ²)	%RSD		%REC ^d
						(intra-day) ^b	(inter-day) ^c	
(ISOTHIOCYANATE) DERIVATIZED THIOUREA COMPOUNDS								
(Iberin) thiourea	21.69-250.50	21.69	72.32	y=3.12x+15	0.9999	1.18	4.02	84.2
(Allyl) thiourea	24.43-151.42	24.43	81.45	y=0.67x+1.1	0.9997	1.32	2.21	80.2
(Sulforaphane) thiourea	6.96-236.12	6.96	23.14	y=29.41x-36.9	0.9996	2.15	2.21	95.6
(Benzyl) thiourea	4.68-247.92	4.68	15.36	y=25.48x-65.1	0.9982	2.13	2.43	89.7
(Phenethyl) thiourea	3.06-250	3.06	10.21	y=48.12x-1.2	0.9997	2.22	2.6	96.7
Indole-3-carbinol	2.73-251.10	2.73	9.12	y=22.88x-43.3	0.9959	1.04	2.0	93.6

^a Chromatographic peak area (y) as a function of ppb concentration (x)

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^c Values are means of inter-day assays (n=6)

^d (n=3)

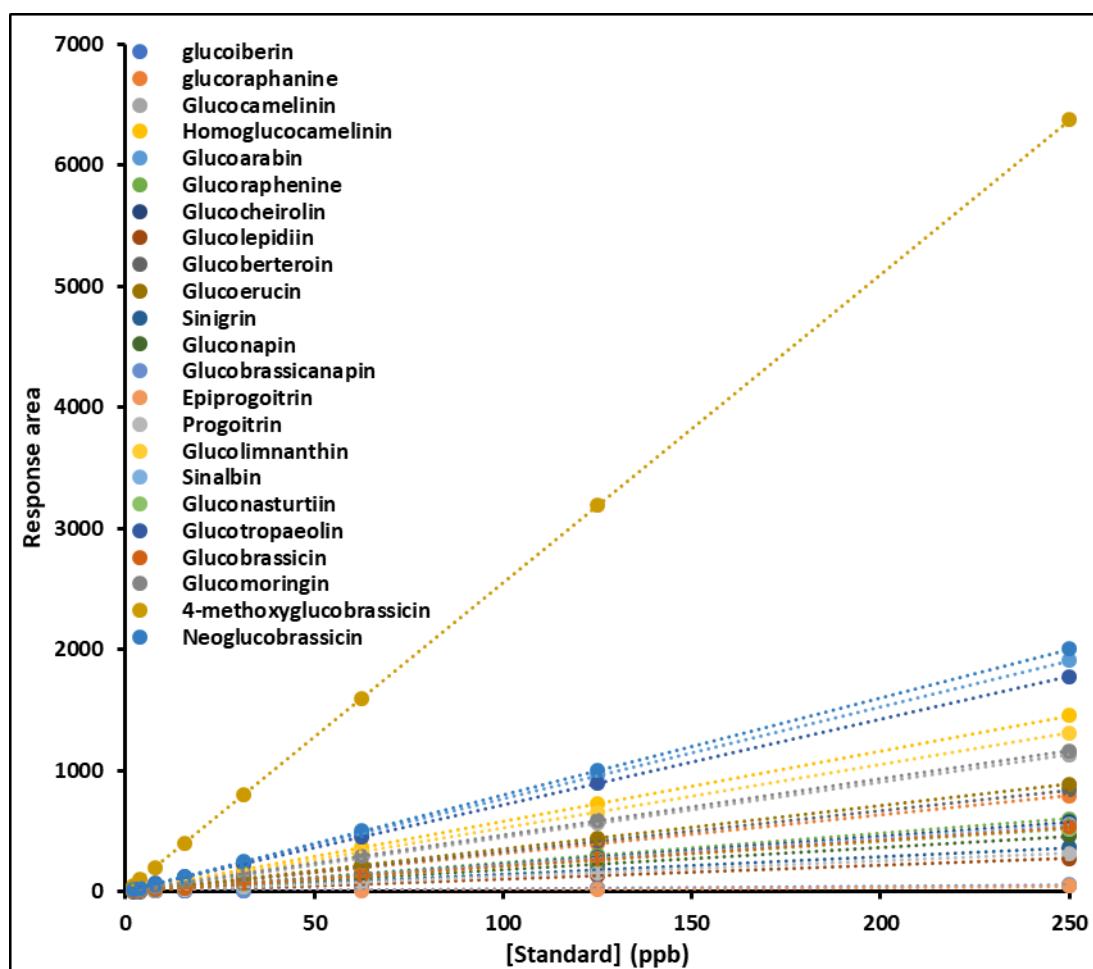


Figure S4: Calibration curve of glucosinolate standards at various concentrations (1.95-250 ppb) used for the determination of intact glucosinolates in the aerial parts (flowers, leaves and stems) of watercress.

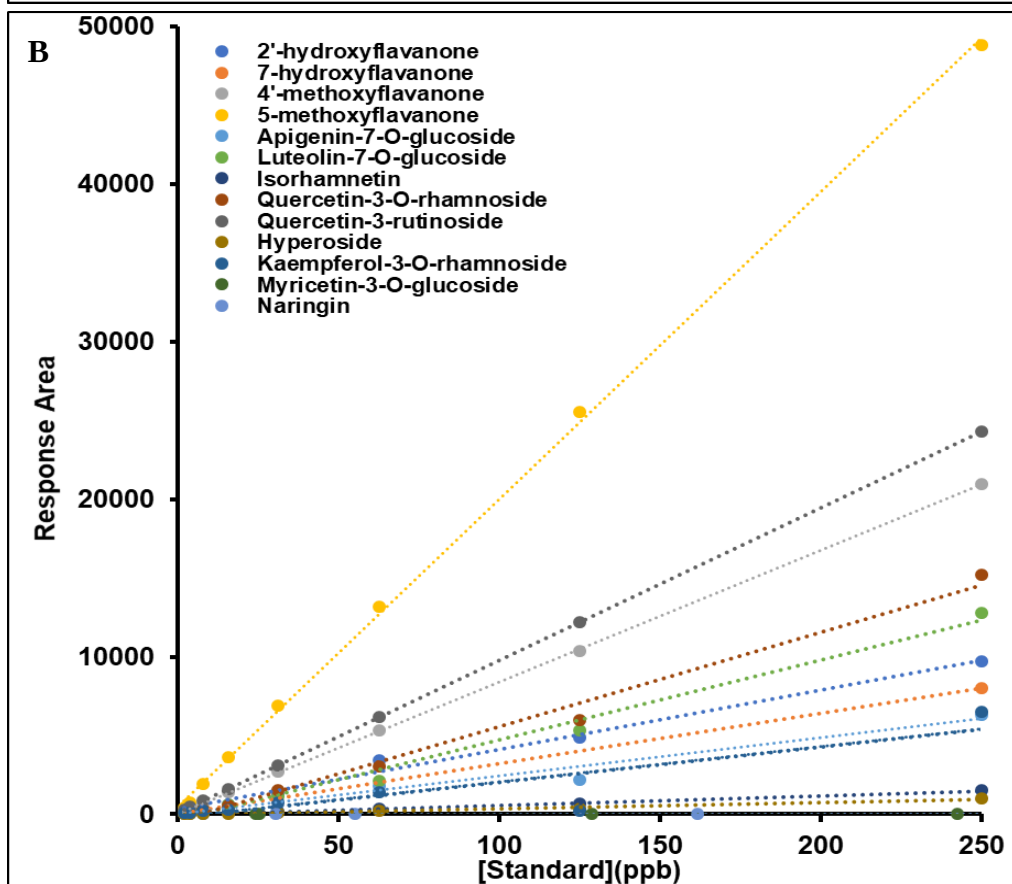
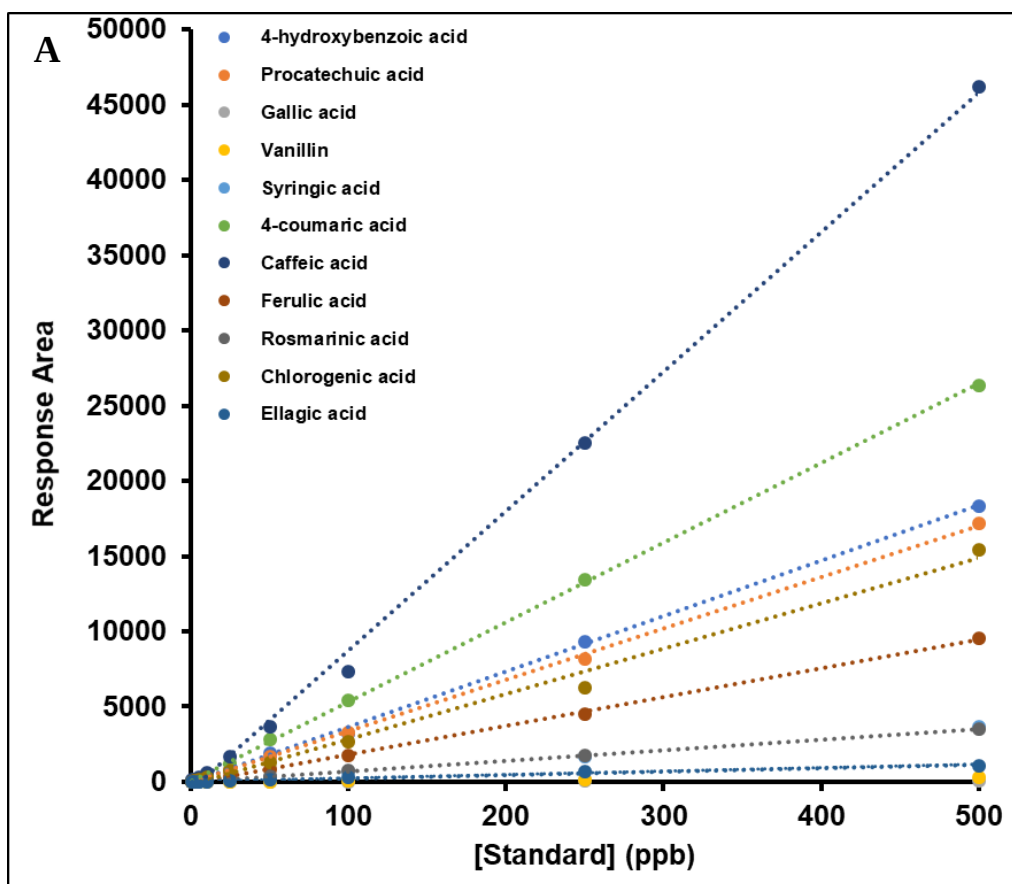


Figure S5: Calibration curve of (A) phenolic acid and (B) flavonoid standards at various concentrations (1.95-500 ppb) used for the determination of polyphenolic compounds in the aerial parts (flowers, leaves and stems) of watercress.

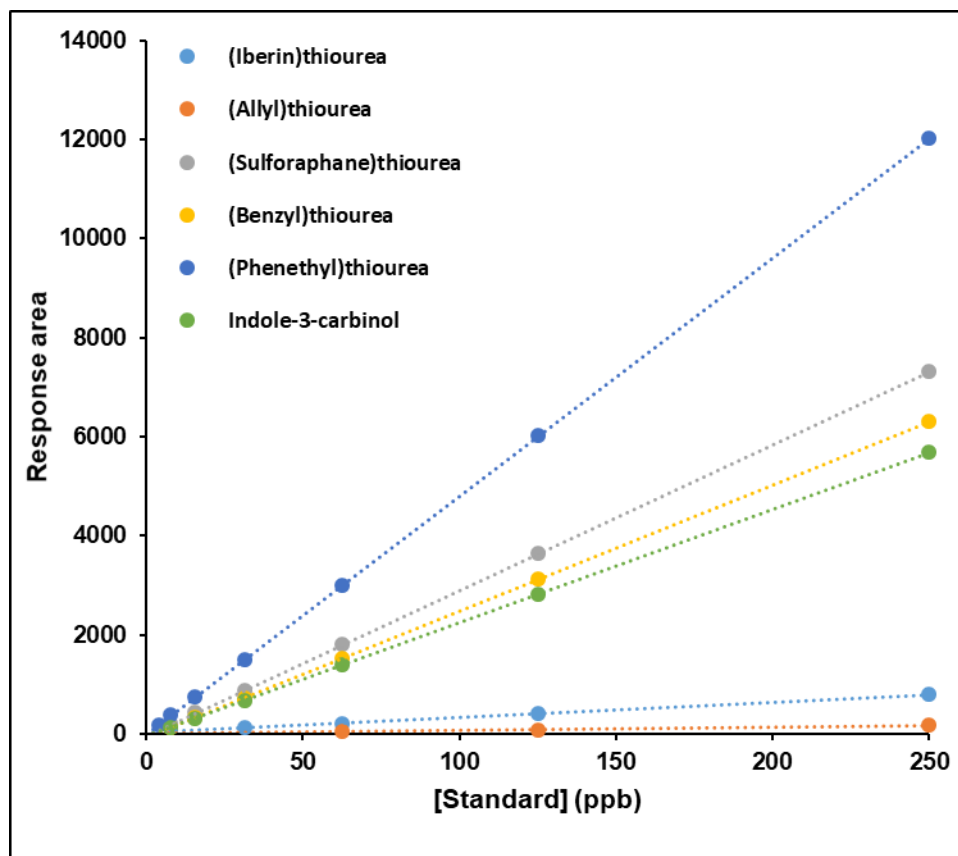


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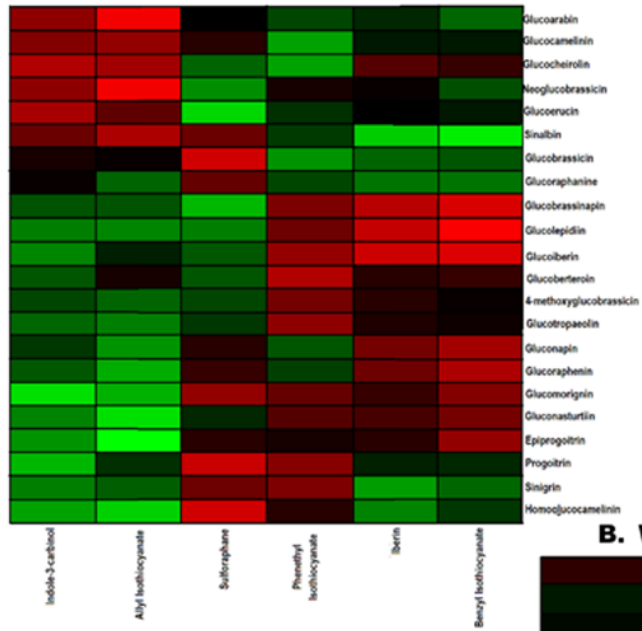
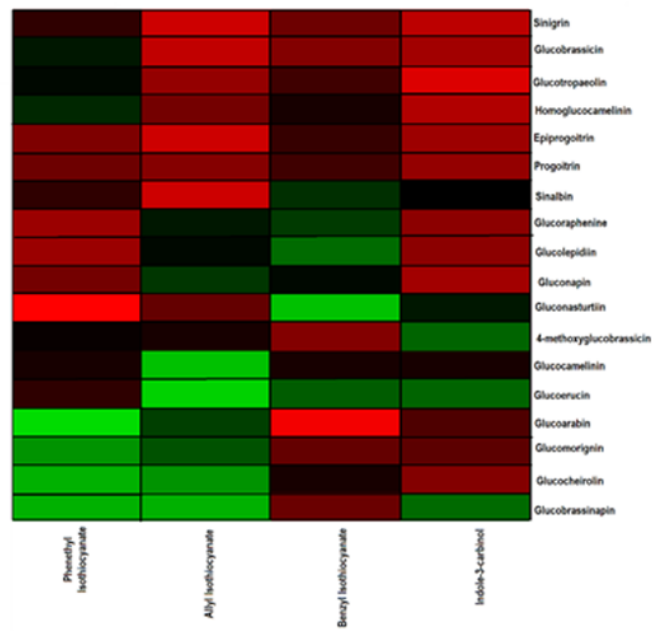
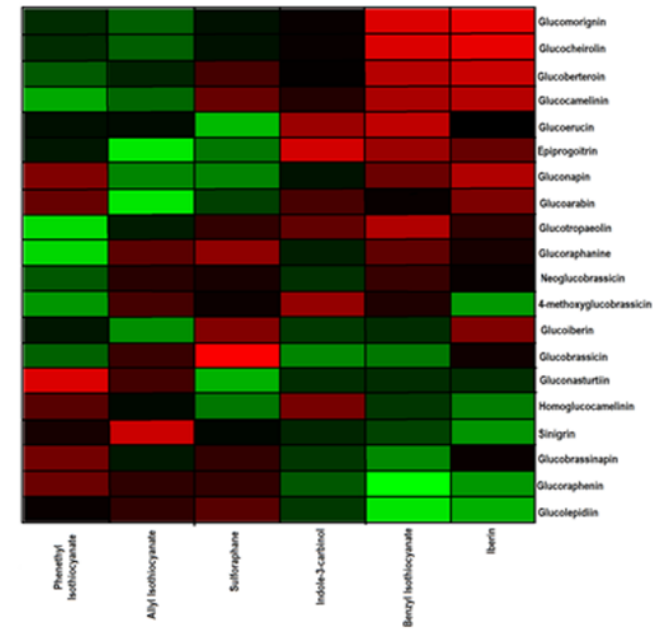
A. WATERCRESS FLOWERS**B. WATERCRESS LEAVES****C. WATERCRESS STEMS**

Figure S7: Spearman's coefficient analysis between intact GL and ITC contents on watercress (A) flowers, (B) stems and (C) leaves. Red indicates positive (+1.0) correlation while green indicate a negative correlation. Black suggests no correlation.