Supplementary Information

New degradation compounds from lignocellulosic biomass pretreatment: Routes for

formation of potent oligophenolic enzyme inhibitors

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| Entry | Retention time (min) | Accurate mass | С | н | 0 | DBE | Precursor ion (intensity) | Fragments (intensity) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|----------------------------|------------------|----|----|----|-----|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1 | 6.25-6.27 | 188,10433 | 9 | 16 | 4 | 2 | 187,09705 (14) | 143,10754 (2) | 125,09683 | 123,08135 (8) | 97,06552 | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 6.31-6.33 | 236,03176 | 11 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 235,02448 | 191,03442 | (100) | (0) | (10) | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 6.37-6.42 | 240,13576 | 13 | 20 | 4 | 4 | 239,12848 | 195,13854 | 151,1123 | 123,08097 | 109,06533 | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 6.46-6.48 | 244,13060 | 12 | 20 | 5 | 3 | 243,12332 | 225,11264 | 207,10204 | 199,13336 | 181,12275 | 163,11216 | 99,00808 | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 5.53-5.63 | 266,07894 | 13 | 14 | 6 | 7 | 265,07166 | 250,04776 (3) | 247,06071 | 221,08136 | 203,07075 | 193,04996 | 178,02649 | 175,03944 | 160,01592 | 149,06008 | 134,0366 | | | |
| 6 | 6.28-6.30 | 276,09953 | 15 | 16 | 5 | 8 | 275,09225 | 231,1023 | (4) 216,07859 (30) | 215,07114 | 203,07103 | 188,04753 | (00) 107,04969 (10) | (14) | (0) | (40) | (00) | | | |
| 7 | 6.04-6.09 | 294,10997 | 15 | 18 | 6 | 7 | 293,10269 (4) | 275,09254 (8) | (30) 249,11306 (12) | (00) 231,10243 (24) | 216,07891 | (3) 163,07601 (10) | (10) 149,06028 (40) | 134,03677 | 131,03439 | 130,02661 | 125,06032 | 123,04469 | 113,06021 | 99,0446 (20) |
| 8 | 5.44-5.52 | 296,08956 | 14 | 16 | 7 | 7 | 295,08228 (2) | 235,06073 | 205,05010 | (24) 163,03936 (100) | (20) 145,02881 (38) | (10) 119,04955 (36) | (40) | (10) | (20) | (00) | (20) | (34) | (100) | (20) |
| 9 | 7.26-7.30 | 302,07866 | 16 | 14 | 6 | 10 | 301,07138 | 286,04786 | (4) 268,03753 | (100) 257,04529 | (30) | (50) | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | 6.25-6.27 | 306,11006 | 16 | 18 | 6 | 8 | 305,10278 | 290,07926 (8) | 261,11277 | (4) 246,0893 (18) | 245,08158 | 231,0658 | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | 6.06-6.09 | 308,05290 | 14 | 12 | 8 | 9 | 307,04562 | 289,03492 | 263,05571 | 245,04506 | 219,06572 | 201,05522 | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | 5.53-5.63 | 326,09981 | 15 | 18 | 8 | 7 | 325,09253 (1) | 265,07184 | 235,06097 (7) | 193,05008 | (40) 175,03971 (32) | (1) 160,01625 | 149,06035 (14) | 134,03681 | | | | | | |
| 13 | 5.78-5.80 | 328,09429 | 18 | 16 | 6 | 11 | 327,08701 (10) | 283,09729 | (7) 239,10756 (8) | 163,03944 | (02) 119,04959 (42) | (0) | (1-) | (10) | | | | | | |
| 14 | 5.92-5.97 | 328,09429 | 18 | 16 | 6 | 11 | 327,08701 | 309,07652 | 283,09722 | 265,08674 (74) | (42) 237,09171 (20) | 211,07598 | 163,03945 | 143,03945 | 119,04957 | 93,03396 (21) | | | | |
| 15 | 7.63-7.70 | 330,07509 | 17 | 14 | 7 | 11 | (100) 329,06781 (40) | 314,04321 | 299,02028 | (14) | (20) | (10) | (23) | (23) | (13) | (21) | | | | |
| 16 | 6.56-6.60 | 342,10994 | 19 | 18 | 6 | 11 | (40) 341,10266 (40) | 326,07909 | 323,09197 | 311,05567 | 309,07647 (48) | 297,11269 | 294,05306 | 282,08942 | 267,06603 | | | | | |
| 17 | 6.58-6.64 | 354,11003 | 20 | 18 | 6 | 12 | 353,10275 | 338,07918 | 323,05553 (60) | 310,08417 | (40) 294,08935 (36) | (30) 279,06586 (38) | (02) | (100) | (12) | | | | | |
| 18 | 5.98-6.02 | 358,10515 | 19 | 18 | 7 | 11 | 357,09785 | 339,08689 | 313,10771 (44) | (10) 295,09717 (25) | 280,07378 | 254,09451 | 193,05011 (10) | 163,03949 (12) | 119,04959 (16) | | | | | |
| 19 | 6.60-6.65 | 372,12044 | 20 | 20 | 7 | 11 | 371,11316 | 356,09000 | 341,06621 | (20) 339,08698 (30) | 327,12339 | 324,06356 | 312,10001 | (12) 297,07654 (64) | 294,08957 | 279,06603 (6) | | | | |
| 20 | 5.92-5.97 | 372,12053 | 20 | 20 | 7 | 11 | 371,11325 | 356,08998 (14) | 353,10282 | 341,10258 | 327,12328 | (20) 326,07928 (31) | 312,09995 | (04) 309,11293 (36) | 297,11276 | (0) 294,08948 (66) | 282,08945 (24) | 279,06596 (40) | 173,06023 | 123,04453 |
| 21 | 7.41-7.43 | 384,12044 | 21 | 20 | 7 | 12 | 383,11316 | 368,08932 | 353,06612 | 229,05020 | (00) | (01) | (07) | (00) | (12) | (00) | (24) | (40) | (27) | (12) |
| 22 | 6.60-6.65 | 384,12062 | 21 | 20 | 7 | 12 | 383,11334 (14) | 368,08959 | 353,06676 | 352,09528 (60) | 338,07910 (32) | 337,07167 (92) | 324,09976 (7) | 309,07644 (16) | | | | | | |
| 23 | 5.78-5.80 | 388,11531 | 20 | 20 | 8 | 11 | 387,10803 | 369,09787 | 354,07428 (30) | 343,11832 (35) | 325,10786 (70) | (6 <u>2</u>) 310,08443 (65) | 295,06082 | 282,08945 (43) | 193,05017 (65) | 173,06131 (21) | 159,04464 (15) | 149,06022 (24) | 134,03673 (23) | 123,0445 |
| 24 | 5.84-5.91 | 388,11540 | 20 | 20 | 8 | 11 | 387,10812 | 343,11857 | (30) 299,12878 (4) | 284,10534 (9) | 193,05013 | 178,02676 | 149,06028 | 134,03679 | (00) | (= ·) | (10) | (= -) | (20) | () |
| 25 | 5.92-5.97 | 388,11546 | 20 | 20 | 8 | 11 | 387,10818 | 369,09748 (18) | 354,07416 | 343,11805 (6) | 325,10755 (30) | (0) 310,08415 (25) | 282,08933 | (<u></u>) 271,09741 (5) | 193,05001 (20) | 173,06023 (17) | 159,04457 (8) | 134,03663 (5) | 123,04451 (7) | |
| 26 | 5.63-5.73 | 402,13097 | 21 | 22 | 8 | 11 | 401,12369 | 386,10059 | (8) 383,11344 (45) | 371,11343 | 357,13426 | (10) 342,11047 (87) | 339,12345 | 327,12299 | (120) 324,09995 | 312,10007 | (0) 309,07664 (43) | 217,05026 | 203,03457 | 173,06027 |
| 27 | 7.77-7.80 | 480,13978 | 26 | 24 | 9 | 15 | 479,1325 | 464,11117 | (40) 449,08776 (4) | 355,08239 (41) | (60) 340,05855 (6) | (07) | (00) | (10) | (00) | (20) | (40) | (10) | (0) | (2-7) |
| 28 | 7.29-7.36 | 508,13628 | 27 | 24 | 10 | 16 | 507,12900 (100) | 492,10619 (36) | 477,08256 | 341,06650 (24) | (-) | | | | | | | | | |
| 29 | 6.40-6.45 | 528,12630 | 26 | 24 | 12 | 15 | 527,11902 (69) | 509,10795 (6) | 329,06609 (100) | (<u>-</u> ·) 185,04494 (24) | 167,03436 (2) | | | | | | | | | |
| 30 | 6.94-6.99 | 548,16805 | 30 | 28 | 10 | 17 | 547,16077 (3) | 503,17078 (6) | 401,12355 (44) | 383,11315 (100) | 371,11332 (16) | 368,0899 (13) | 357,13427 (12) | 339,12312 (60) | 324,09977 (56) | 309,07643 (8) | 163,03948 (15) | 145,02882 (79) | 119,04960 (6) | 117,03393 (9) |

S1 Table 2. LC-MS/MS negative ionisation, water fraction from 2-butanone extraction. Shaded fragments are in common with LC-MS/MS fragments from xylooligosaccharide standards(xylobiose to xylohexaose).

| Retention Time (min) | Accurate mass | С | н | 0 | DBE | Compound | Fragment | ts | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|----|----|----|-----|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 1.97-1.99 | 150,05203 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 1 | xylose | 131,03508 | 129,01977 | 101,02457 | 85,02951 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.85-1.87 | 180,06282 | 6 | 12 | 6 | 1 | glucose | 161,04527 | 150,95383 | 134,98767 | 131,03461 | 122,95918 | 113,02392 | 101,02410 | 97,02912 | 89,02398 | 85,02911 | | | | | |
| 1.79-1.81 | 282,09505 | 10 | 18 | 9 | 2 | xylobiose | 203,05728 | 131,03503 | 112,98583 | 101,02453 | 85,02950 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.91-1.96 | 460,14241 | 16 | 28 | 15 | 3 | xylotriose | 335,09823 | 263,07716 | 203,05581 | 149,04506 | 131,03442 | 113,02387 | 101,02386 | 85,02897 | | | | | | | |
| 3.94-3.96 | 502,15434 | 18 | 30 | 16 | 4 | 1 acetyl xylotriose | 377,11137 | 335,10167 | 305,08741 | 263,07894 | 149,04559 | 131,03513 | 113,02467 | 101,02460 | 85,02948 | | | | | | |
| 2.75-2.77 | 546,17928 | 20 | 34 | 17 | 4 | xylotetraose | 467,14017 | 395,11896 | 335,09780 | 263,07701 | 203,05563 | 149,04497 | 131,03436 | 113,02380 | 101,02379 | 85,02890 | | | | | |
| 3.94-3.96 | 634,19679 | 23 | 38 | 20 | 5 | 1 acetyl xylotetraose | 527,16246 | 509,15079 | 467,14007 | 437,12956 | 395,11893 | 377,10861 | 335,09898 | 305,08789 | 263,07776 | 203,05563 | 149,04497 | 131,03436 | 113,02380 | 101,02379 | 85,02890 |
| 3.13-3.21 | 678,22157 | 25 | 42 | 21 | 5 | xylopentaose | 527,16135 | 467,14013 | 395,11896 | 263,07702 | 131,03437 | 101,02381 | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.94-3.96 | 766,23934 | 28 | 46 | 24 | 6 | 1 acetyl xylotepentaose | 641,19406 | 599,18158 | 569,17220 | 509,15079 | 467,14007 | 437,12956 | 395,11893 | 377,10861 | 305,08789 | 263,07776 | | | | | |
| 3.31-3.35 | 810,26436 | 30 | 50 | 25 | 6 | xylohexaose | 731,22514 | 719,22522 | 659,20411 | 641,19357 | 623,18283 | 611,18273 | 599,18294 | 527,16164 | 509,15109 | 467,14041 | 395,11922 | 377,10893 | 263,07721 | | |
| 4.00-4.03 | 894,28456 | 34 | 54 | 27 | 8 | 2 acetyl xylohexaose | 731,22514 | 719,22522 | 659,20411 | 641,19357 | 623,18283 | 611,18273 | 599,18294 | 527,16164 | 509,15109 | 467,14041 | 395,11922 | 377,10893 | 263,07721 | | |

S1 Table 3. Proposed MS/MS fragments (continued).









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| Retention time (min) | lons, m/z [M- H ⁺] ⁻ (relative intensity) | Fraction | Compounds |
|----------------------|--|----------------|---|
| 3.95 | 455.14203 (3), 587.18378 (12), 719.22626 (14), 851.26862 | Water fraction | Pentoses + 1 acetyl, DP 3, DP 4, DP 5, DP 6, DP 7, DP 8. |
| | (9), 983.31140 (6),1115.35315 (2) | | |
| 3.95 | 455.14233 (4), 587.18451 (6) | 2-butanone | Pentoses + 1 acetyl, DP 3, DP 4. |
| | | fraction | |
| 4.14 | 629.19318 (16), 761.23517 (29), 893.27692 (20), 1025.31921 | Water fraction | Pentoses + 2 acetyl, DP 4, DP 5, DP 6, DP 7, DP 8. |
| | (12), 1157.36060 (5), | | |
| | 1199.37134 (8), 1331.41345 (6), 1463.45447 (4) | | Pentoses + 3 acetyl, DP 8, DP 9, DP 10. |
| 4.14 | 629.19604 (0.1) | 2-butanone | Pentose + 2 acetyl, DP 4 |
| | | fraction | |
| 4.54 | 803.24573 (4), 935.28717 (4), | Water fraction | Pentoses + 3 acetyl, DP 5, DP 6. |
| | 1249.38831 (7), 1381.43054 (3) | | Feruloyl substituted pentoses, DP 8, DP 9. |
| 4.68 | 985.30377 (20), 1117.34460 (4), 1249.38843 (4) | Water fraction | Feruloyl substituted pentoses, DP 6, DP 7, DP 8. |
| 4.88 | 691.20862 (24), | Water fraction | Cumaroyl substituted pentose DP 4. |
| | 721.21936 (32), 853.26135 (100), | | Feruloyl substituted pentose DP 4, DP 5. |
| | 1027.31409 (8), 1159.35547 (12), 1291.39734 (4) | | Feruloyl + 1 acetyl substituted pentose DP 6, DP 7, DP 8. |
| 4.98 | 559.16693 (6), | 2-butanone | Cumaroyl substituted pentose DP 3. |
| | 721.21985 (5) | fraction | Feruloyl substituted pentose DP 4. |
| 5.00 | 721.21936 (100), | Water fraction | Feruloyl substituted pentose DP 4. |
| | 1027.31445 (9) | | Feruloyl + 1 acetyl substituted pentose DP 7. |

S1 Table 4. Compounds in the water fraction from 2-butanone extraction and 2-butanone extraction in the retention time region from 3.7-5.5 minutes.

| Retention time (min) | lons, m/z [M- H ⁺] ⁻ (relative intensity) | Fraction | Compounds |
|----------------------|--|----------------|---|
| 5.05 | 589.17706 (100), 721.21906 (16), 853. 26074 (7), 1117.34448 | Water fraction | Feruloyl substituted pentoses, DP 3, DP 4, DP 5, DP 7. |
| | (10) | | |
| | 895.27173 (16), 1027.31494 (8), 1159.35559 (5), 1291.39893 | | Feruloyl + 1 acetyl substituted pentoses, DP 5, DP 6, DP 7, DP 8, |
| | (4), 1423.43689 (3) | | DP 9. |
| 5.05 | 589.17737 (30) | 2-butanone | Feruloyl substituted pentose DP 3. |
| | | fraction | |
| 5.27 | 325.09247 (100), | 2-butanone | Feruloyl substituted pentose DP 1. |
| | 559.16699 (17), | fraction | Cumaroyl substituted pentose DP 3. |
| | 763.23035 (6), | | Feruloyl + 1 acetyl substituted pentose DP 4. |
| 5.47 | 295.08221 (15), | 2-butanone | Cumaroyl substituted pentose DP 1. |
| | 457.13538 (8) | fraction | Feruloyl substituted pentose DP 2. |



S1 Figure 2. HPLC chromatogram with refractive index detection, anomeric protection.



S1 Figure 3. Flow chart of the pilot plant pretreatment of wheat straw and the laboratory extraction of LfHP (Liquid from Hydrothermal Pretreatment). The dry matter (DM) contents in LfHP are the w/w % of dissolved compounds (as the oligophenolic compounds and xylooligosaccharides) in the LfHP (H₂O). The LfHP is evaporated in order to obtain a more concentrated solution for further pilot plant processing. Subsequent to pilot plant evaporation a representative sample (170 g) was taken from the concentrated LfHP fraction to conduct laboratory evaluation of compounds in the LfHP. Boxes in blue color are laboratory conducted experiments: As indicated, the dry matter content of the 170 g sample constituted 16.6 % by weight (as determined from drying via evaporation of the liquid), and this amount of dry matter was equivalent to 28.22 g of material which was distributed into two fractions after extraction with 2 x 160 g 2-butanone as follows: 22 g in the freeze dried aqueous fraction; 2.7 g in the 2-butanone fraction, and with a loss of 3.5 g dry matter in total. The 22 g in the freeze dried aqueous fraction of the sample was equivalent to approximately 78% of the dry matter in the concentrated LfHP, whereas the 2.7 g in the 2-butanone fraction constituted just above 9.5% of the dry matter in the concentrated LfHP.