

## SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

### Model development for predicting in vitro bio-capacity of green rooibos extract based on composition for application as screening tool in quality control

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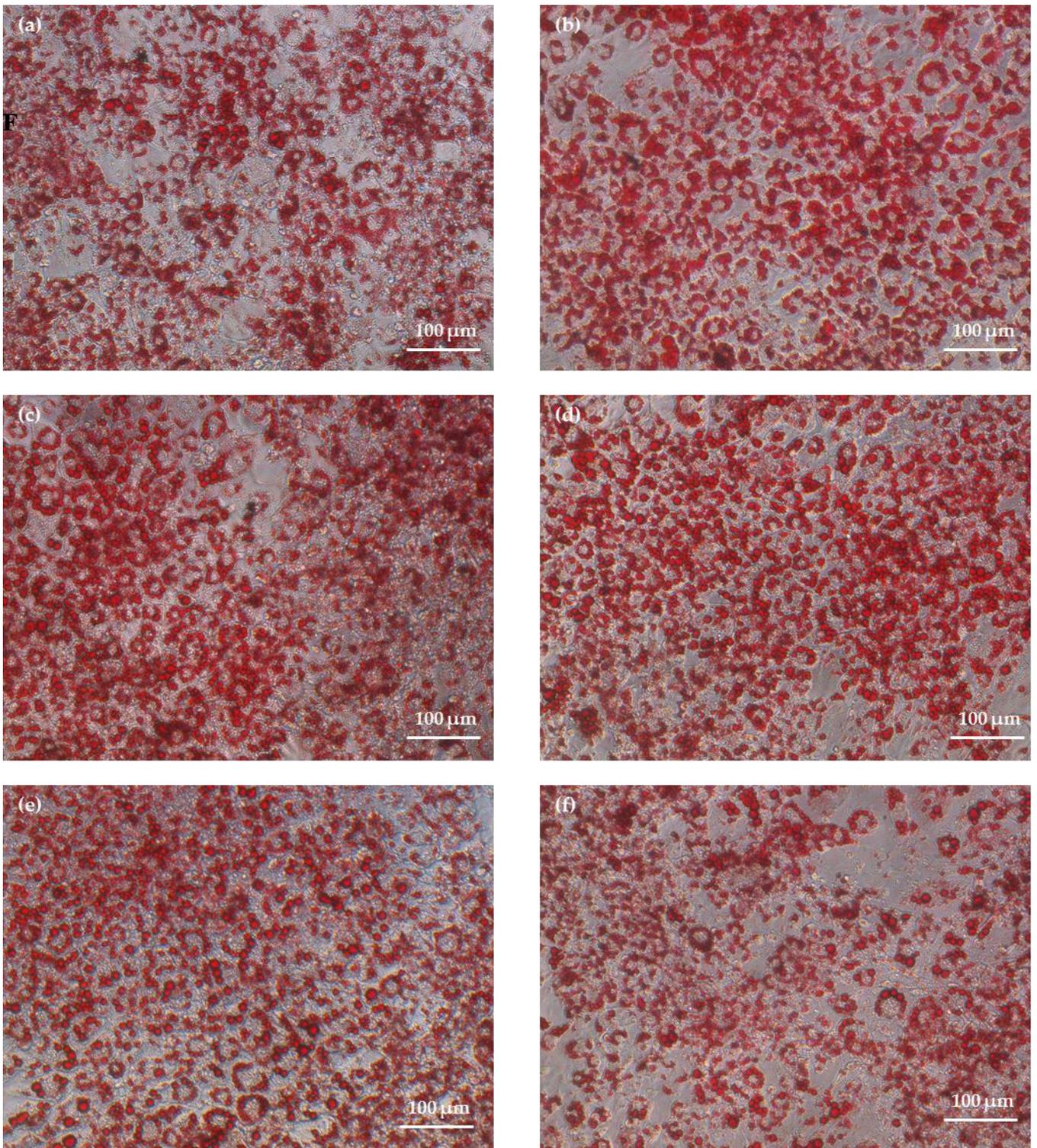
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**Fig A.1.** Oil Red O stained 3T3-L1 adipocytes demonstrating lipid accumulation. Lipid accumulation was determined after a 4-hour treatment period with (a) Control (0.01 % DMSO), (b) 1  $\mu$ M Insulin, (c) 10  $\mu$ g/mL GRE-SB1, and 10  $\mu$ g/mL of the (d) GRE-80 (e) GRE-60 and (f) GRE-W from a representative plant material sample (batch 4). Photomicrographs were taken using  $\times 400$  magnification. *Abbreviations:* GRE-60, 60% ethanol green rooibos extract; GRE-80, 80% ethanol green rooibos extract; GRE-SB1, reference green rooibos extract; GRE-W, aqueous green rooibos extract.

**Table A.1**

Pearson correlation coefficients and *p*-values for correlations of bioactivity with the flavonoid and PPAG content of extracts (bold values indicates  $p < 0.05$ ).

| Compounds     | C2C12 GU     |              | C3A GU   |          | 3T3-L1 LA |          |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|
|               | <i>r</i>     | <i>p</i>     | <i>r</i> | <i>p</i> | <i>r</i>  | <i>p</i> |
| Aspalathin    | 0.284        | 0.121        | 0.168    | 0.367    | -0.076    | 0.683    |
| Nothofagin    | 0.292        | 0.111        | 0.190    | 0.305    | 0.066     | 0.722    |
| Isoorientin   | <b>0.515</b> | <b>0.003</b> | 0.262    | 0.155    | 0.302     | 0.098    |
| Orientin      | <b>0.577</b> | <b>0.001</b> | 0.341    | 0.060    | 0.250     | 0.175    |
| Bioquercetin  | -0.016       | 0.934        | 0.139    | 0.456    | -0.153    | 0.410    |
| Vitexin       | <b>0.487</b> | <b>0.005</b> | 0.133    | 0.476    | 0.228     | 0.218    |
| Hyperoside    | 0.034        | 0.856        | 0.276    | 0.133    | -0.082    | 0.662    |
| Rutin         | 0.052        | 0.780        | -0.025   | 0.892    | -0.001    | 0.997    |
| Isovitexin    | 0.349        | 0.054        | 0.312    | 0.087    | 0.022     | 0.906    |
| Isoquercitrin | -0.027       | 0.886        | 0.201    | 0.279    | -0.107    | 0.566    |
| Luteoloside   | -0.085       | 0.648        | -0.141   | 0.451    | -0.331    | 0.069    |
| PPAG          | 0.138        | 0.458        | -0.245   | 0.185    | -0.005    | 0.980    |

*Abbreviations:* 3T3-L1 LA, lipid accumulation in 3T3-L1 cells; C2C12 GU, glucose uptake in C2C12 cells; C3A GU, glucose uptake

in C3A cells; PPAG, Z-2-( $\beta$ -D-glucopyranosyloxy)-3-phenylpropenoic acid.

**Table A.2**

$P_{app}$  values for aspalathin from the different GREs standardised to 150  $\mu$ M aspalathin equivalent concentrations.

| Sample  | Batch no | $P_{app}$ values (cm/s) $\times$<br>$10^{-06} \pm SD$ |
|---------|----------|---|
| GRE-SB1 |          | $1.27 \pm 0.64$                                       |
| GRE-80  | 5        | $0.65 \pm 0.43$                                       |
| GRE-60  | 5        | $0.84 \pm 0.57$                                       |
| GRE-W   | 5        | $0.85 \pm 0.29$                                       |

Results are from three independent experiments done in triplicate ( $n = 9$ ) and are expressed as the mean  $\pm$  SD.

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