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**Metal-organic framework @ hydrogen-bond framework as matrix for MALDI-
TOF-MS analysis of small molecules**

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73 **Materials and reagents**

74 Ferric chloride hexahydrate ($\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, >98%), acetic acid (>99%), tetra-*n*-butyl
75 titanate ($\geq 98\%$), sodium chloride (NaCl , $\geq 99.5\%$), trifluoroacetic acid ($\geq 99\%$), *N,N*-
76 dimethyl formamide (DMF, $\geq 99.5\%$), *N,N*-dimethylacetamide (DMA, >99%), and
77 formic acid (FA, >99.5%) were purchased from Chengdu Chron Chemicals Co., Ltd.
78 (Sichuan, China) (<http://www.chronchem.com/en/>). The 1H-1,2,4-triazole-3,5-diamine
79 (DAT, >98.0%) and acetonitrile (ACN, HPLC-grade) were purchased from Adamas-
80 beta (Shanghai, China) (<http://www.adamas-beta.com>). Naphthalene-1,4,5,8-
81 tetracarboxylic dianhydride (NTD, >98.0%) and 2-methylimidazole (98%) were
82 purchased from Tokyo Chemical Industry Co., Ltd. (Tokyo, Japan)
83 (<https://tokyochemical.lookchem.com/>). 2-aminoterephthalic acid (AMAC, $\geq 98\%$)
84 were purchased from Shanghai DiBai Biological Technology Co., Ltd. (Shanghai,
85 China) (<http://www.chemxyz.com/>). Zinc acetate dihydrate ($\text{Zn}(\text{AC})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 99%),
86 cobalt chloride hexahydrate ($\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, 99%) were purchased from Macklin
87 (Shanghai, China) (<http://www.macklin.cn/>). L-histidine, D-phenylalanine, and L-
88 arginine were purchased from TargetMol, (USA) (www.targetmol.com). Imperatorin
89 (>98%), tangeretin ($\geq 98\%$), naringenin (>98%), and hesperetin ($\geq 98\%$) were purchased
90 from Chengdu Herb Substance Co., Ltd. (Sichuan, China)
91 (<https://www.herbsubstance.com/>). Captopril (>99%), atenolol (>99%), and diltiazem
92 (>99%) were purchased from Dalian Meilun Biological Technology Co., Ltd.
93 (Liaoning, China) (<http://www.meilune.com/>). Polyvinyl pyrrolidone (PVP,
94 MW=40000), acetaminophen ($\geq 99\%$), ketoprofen ($\geq 99\%$), and sulindac ($\geq 99\%$) were
95 purchased from Shanghai YuanYe Biological Technology Co., Ltd. (Shanghai, China)
96 (<http://yuanyebio.bioon.com.cn/>). Psoralen (>98%) and bergapten ($\geq 98\%$) were
97 purchased from Chengdu DeSiTe Biological Technology Co., Ltd. (Sichuan, China)
98 (<http://cddesite.foodmate.net/>). The α -cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid (CHCA, $\geq 98\%$),
99 zirconium (IV) chloride ($\geq 99.9\%$) and 2,5-dihydroxyterephthalic acid ($\geq 98\%$) were
100 purchased from Shanghai Aladdin Biochemical Technology Co., Ltd. (Shanghai,

101 China) (<https://www.aladdin-e.com/>). The chemical structures of selected flavonoids
102 are shown in Fig. S1. Water used for all the experiments was purified by a water
103 purification system (ATSelem 1820A, Antesheng Environmental Protection
104 Equipment Co., Ltd., Chongqing, China) (<http://www.atshb.com/>).

105 **Characterization of the synthesized materials**

106 Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) images were obtained using a field-emission
107 scanning electron microscope (FESEM) (Quanta 650, FEI, Hillsboro, OR,
108 <https://www.fei.com>) at 20 kV. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) images and
109 element distribution analysis were recorded using a JEM 2100 (JEOL Ltd. Tokyo,
110 Japan, <https://www.jeol.co.jp/en/>) electron microscope working at 200 kV equipped
111 with energy dispersive X-ray spectrometer (EDX). Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA)
112 was carried out on Mettler TGA/DSC1/1600LF (Mettler-Toledo AG, Analytical,
113 Switzerland, <https://www.mt.com/cn/zh/home.html>) from 30°C to 1000°C at a heating
114 rate of 10°C min⁻¹ in N₂ gas flow. Fourier transform infrared spectra (FT-IR) were taken
115 on a Bruker Tensor 27 spectrometer (Bruker, USA, <https://www.bruker.com/>) between
116 4000 cm⁻¹ and 400 cm⁻¹ in KBr media. X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns were obtained
117 using X'pert Powder diffractometer (Malvern Panalytical Ltd., Netherlands,
118 <https://www.malvernpanalytical.com/en/>) with secondary beam graphite
119 monochromated Cu K α radiation. X-ray photoelectron spectrometer (XPS) were
120 recorded on a PHI5000 Versaprobe system using monochromatic Al K α radiation
121 (1486.6 eV), and the obtained binding energies were referenced to the C 1s line set at
122 284.8 eV. Nitrogen sorption studies were carried out using a Quadrasorb 2MP
123 (Quantachrome, US, <http://quanta.cnpowder.com.cn>) specific surface and aperture
124 analyzer. Before the adsorption measurements, the samples were activated under
125 vacuum at 50°C for 24 h.

126 **Preparation of MOF@HOF composite**

127 UiO-66-(OH)₂ was synthesized according to the previous report with some
128 modifications [1]. Typically, ZrCl₄ (420 mg), H₂BDC-(OH)₂ (357 mg), and PVP (400

129 mg, $M_w = 40000$) were dissolved into a mixed solution (DMF/ultra-pure water/acetic
130 acid = 27/1/25.6, v/v/v, 60 mL). The mixture was sonicated for 20 min, placed in a 100
131 mL Teflon-lined hydrothermal reaction kettle and heated at 120°C for 2 h. The material
132 was collected by centrifugation ($6790 \times g$, 15 min) and washed repeatedly with fresh
133 DMF (20 mL) and methanol (20 mL) for three times, respectively. Finally, the product
134 was dried under vacuum at 60°C for 12 h.

135 The MOF@HOF composite was synthesized through a solvothermal reaction. In
136 brief, DAT (99.1 mg) and NTD (134 mg) were dispersed in DMA (20 mL), the mixture
137 was sonicated for 5 min and followed by magnetically stirring for 1 h to obtain a
138 homogenous solution under N_2 in an ice bath. Subsequently, UiO-66-(OH)₂ (100 mg)
139 was dispersed in DMA (25 mL) and added into the above mixture, and stirred to mix
140 well. Then, the mixture was placed in a 50 mL Teflon-lined hydrothermal reaction
141 kettle and heated at 180°C for 12 h. The obtained product (MOF@HOF) was separated
142 by centrifugation ($6790 \times g$, 15 min), washed alternately with DMA (20 mL) and ACN
143 (20 mL) for three times. Finally, the product was dried under vacuum at 50°C for 12 h.
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145 **Preparation of NH₂-MIL-101**

146 NH₂-MIL-101 was prepared according to previous report with minor modifications [2].
147 FeCl₃·6H₂O (4 mM), acetic acid (3.6 mL) and 2-aminoterephthalic acid (4 mM) were
148 added and dispersed in DMF (90 mL) under sonication for 1.0 h. Then, the mixture was
149 transferred to in a Teflon-lined autoclave and heated to 110 °C for 24 h. The obtained
150 product was washed with DMF (2 × 50 mL) and ethanol (2 × 50 mL), and dried under
151 vacuum at 60 °C for 12 h. The XRD result was shown in [Fig. S11a](#).

152 **Preparation of NH₂-MIL-125**

153 The NH₂-MIL-125 was prepared according to previous report with minor modifications
154 [3]. 2-aminoterephthalic acid (10.0 mM) and tetra-*n*-butyl titanate (5.0 mM) were added
155 and dispersed in mixture solution (50 mL DMF and 5 mL MeOH) under sonication for
156 30 min. Then, the mixture was transferred to in a Teflon-lined autoclave and heated to
157 150 °C for 72 h. The obtained product was washed with DMF (2 × 50 mL) and ethanol

158 (2 × 50 mL), and dried under vacuum at 60 °C for 12 h. The XRD result was shown in
159 [Fig. S11b](#).

160 **Preparation of ZIF-8**

161 The ZIF-8 was prepared according to previous report with minor modifications [4].
162 Zn(AC)₂·2H₂O (351 mg) and 2-methylimidazole (2627 mg) were added and dispersed
163 in H₂O (48 mL) under sonication for 5 min. Then, the mixture was transferred to a
164 beaker and heated to 30 °C for 11 h. The obtained product was washed with deionized
165 water (3 × 10 mL) and dried under vacuum at 50 °C for 12 h. The XRD result was
166 shown in [Fig. S11c](#).

167 **Preparation of ZIF-67**

168 The ZIF-67 was prepared according to previous report with minor modifications [5].
169 CoCl₂·6H₂O (519 mg), PVP (600 mg), and 2-methylimidazole (2630 mg) were added
170 and dispersed in MeOH (80 mL) under sonication for 5 min. Then, the mixture was
171 transferred to a beaker and heated to 30 °C for 12 h. The obtained product was washed
172 with MeOH (3 × 10 mL) and dried under vacuum at 50 °C for 12 h. The XRD result
173 was shown in [Fig. S11d](#).

174 **Adsorption experiments**

175 To investigate the adsorption capacity of the MOF@HOF composite, equilibrium and
176 kinetic adsorption experiments were carried out. For equilibrium experiment, 1.0 mg of
177 adsorbent was dispersed in the mixed reference compounds solution (12.5–200 µg/mL)
178 with ultrasonication, and the mixture was shaken on a temperature-controlled air bath
179 shaker (SHZ-82, Jintan Zhengrong Experimental Instrument Factory, Jiangsu, China)
180 at 180 rpm for 25 min under 30°C to acquire adsorption equilibrium. Subsequently, the
181 equilibrium solution was filtered through a 0.22 µm filter (Shanghai Titan Scientific,
182 Shanghai, China) before HPLC analysis. For kinetic adsorption experiment, 1.0 mg of
183 adsorbent was suspended in 1.0 mL of 50 µg/mL of mixed reference compounds
184 solution. The mixtures were continuously shaken for different time (2–30 min) and the
185 concentrations of supernatant were determined. The adsorption capacity of flavonoid
186 was calculated by the following equation.

$$Q_e = \frac{(C_o - C_e)V}{m}$$

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188 Where Q_e (mg/g) is the adsorption capacity of the adsorbent at equilibrium; C_o and C_e
189 ($\mu\text{g/mL}$) represent the initial and equilibrium solution concentration, respectively; V (L)
190 is the volume of the mixed reference compounds solution; and m (g) is the weight of
191 adsorbent added to the solution.

192 **Chromatographic conditions**

193 HPLC analysis was performed on an Agilent 1260 Series liquid chromatography
194 system (Agilent Technologies, Palo Alto, California, USA), which was equipped with
195 a vacuum degasser, a binary pump, an auto-sampler, and a diode array detector, and
196 was controlled by the Agilent ChemStation software. An Agilent ZORBAX SB-C18
197 column (150×4.6 mm i.d., $5 \mu\text{m}$) and a pre-column (ZORBAX SB-C18 guard column,
198 12.5×4.6 mm i.d., $5 \mu\text{m}$) was employed to separate HES, NAR, and TAN. The mobile
199 phase consists of formic acid-water (1:1000, v/v) (A) and acetonitrile (B) with gradient
200 elution as follows: 0–10 min, 75%–30% B; 10–11 min, 30% B; 11–12 min, 30%–75%
201 B; 12–20 min, 75% B. The flow rate of mobile phase was 1.0 mL/min, detection
202 wavelength was at 280 nm, and injection volume was 5 μL and column temperature
203 was controlled at 35°C.

204 **Validation of the developed HPLC method**

205 The stock solution containing the three reference compounds, including 1.0 mg/mL of
206 NAR, HES, and TAN, were prepared with ACN and stored in a brown volumetric flask
207 at 4°C. To establish the calibration curves, the stock solution was diluted to appropriate
208 concentrations (12.5–200.0 $\mu\text{g/mL}$). Different concentrations of three reference
209 compounds were injected and analyzed in triplicate. The calibration curves are peak
210 areas versus the concentrations of each compound. The limit of detection (LOD) was
211 determined as a signal-to-noise ratio equal to 3, and the limit of quantification (LOQ)
212 was determined as a signal-to-noise ratio equal to 10. The precision was evaluated by
213 intra-day and inter-day variability. Intra-day reproducibility was carried out by
214 analyzing the individual sample solution six times within one day. Inter-day variability

215 was carried out by analyzing sample solution six times in three consecutive days.

216 **Using MOF@HOF as an adsorbent and matrix**

217 A 0.1 mL MOF@HOF dispersed solution was added into a 2-mL centrifuge tube
218 containing 0.9 mL of tested sample solution, and shaken on a temperature-controlled
219 air bath shaker (SHZ-82, Jintan Zhengrong Experimental Instrument Factory, Jiangsu,
220 China) at 150 rpm for 25 min under 40°C to acquire adequate adsorption. Then, the
221 material was separated by centrifugation at $4316 \times g$ for 5 min and re-dispersed in 50
222 μL of ACN under ultrasonication. A 1 μL of solution was dropped onto the MALDI
223 stainless steel plate and dried at room temperature before MALDI-TOF MS analysis.

224 **Sample preparations**

225 The stock solutions (1.0 mg/mL) of amino acids (L-histidine, D-phenylalanine, and L-
226 arginine) were prepared by dissolving them in water, and the other analytes, including
227 HES, NAR, TAN, captopril, alprenolol diltiazem, acetaminophen, ketoprofen, sulindac,
228 psoralen, bergapten, and imperatorin were prepared by dissolving their reference
229 compounds in ACN. These solutions were freshly prepared and use (diluted to the
230 desired concentration) within three days.

231 The traditional matrices, including CHCA, DHB, SA, and THAP, were prepared
232 as saturated solutions in ACN/water (1:1, v/v) containing 0.1% of trifluoroacetic acid
233 at the final concentration of 10 mg/mL. The MOF@HOF matrix was dispersed in ACN
234 to form a homogeneous solution at the concentration of 2 mg/mL.

235 The 1.2 g of kumquat (*Fortunella margarita*, Guangxi, China) and honey orange
236 (*Citrus sinensis*, Guangxi, China) peels were accurately weighed and placed in a 50 mL
237 conical flask with stopper, respectively. Then, the fruit peels were extracted with 10
238 mL of ACN for 5 min under ultrasonication, respectively. The extract was centrifuged
239 at $6790 \times g$ for 10 min, and the supernatant was filtered through 0.22 μm microporous
240 membrane and stored at 4°C before analysis.

241 **MALDI-TOF-MS analysis**

242 All MALDI-TOF-MS measurements were performed on an MALDI-7090 (Shimadzu

243 Scientific Instruments, Kyoto, Japan) equipped with a pulsed nitrogen laser (355 nm)
244 in reflection and positive ion mode. The main parameters are as follows: raster type,
245 regular circle; profiles, 100 profiles; accumulate, 50 laser shots fired at 50 Hz. A
246 polished-steel sample target with 384 spots was employed and laser intensity was
247 adjusted to 40%.

248 For the direct analysis using MOF@HOF as a matrix. The 100 μ L of MOF@HOF
249 solution (2 mg/mL) was added into a 2-mL centrifuge tube containing 900 μ L of tested
250 sample solution. After ultrasonic dispersion for 5 min, 1 μ L of the solution was dropped
251 onto the MALDI stainless steel plate and dried at room temperature for MALDI-TOF-
252 MS analysis. On the other hand, for the enrichment treatment using MOF@HOF as an
253 adsorbent before MS analysis. The 100 μ L of MOF@HOF solution (2 mg/mL) was
254 added into a 2-mL centrifuge tube containing 900 μ L of tested sample solution and
255 shaken on a temperature-controlled air bath shaker (SHZ-82, Jintan Zhengrong
256 Experimental Instrument Factory, Jiangsu, China) at 150 rpm for 25 min under 40°C to
257 acquire adequate adsorption. Then, the material was separated by centrifugation at 6790
258 $\times g$ for 5 min and re-dispersed in 50 μ L ACN under ultrasonication. Finally, 1 μ L of
259 the solution was dropped onto the MALDI stainless steel plate and dried at room
260 temperature for MALDI-TOF-MS analysis.

261 **Section of pericarp tissue and MALDI-MSI analysis**

262 Fresh samples of kumquat and honey orange were stored at -20°C. For the analysis of
263 distribution of flavonoids in peel tissue, peels of fruits were cut into 18 μ m slices using
264 a LEICA CM1950 freezing microtome (LEICA Microsystems GmbH, Intertzlar,
265 Germany) at -20°C. MSI analysis was performed on an UltrafleXtreme MALDI
266 TOF/TOF MS (Bruker Daltonics, USA) equipped with a frequency tripled Nd: YAG
267 solid-state laser (355 nm). Tissue sections were analyzed in positive reflection ion mode
268 with 100 laser shots fired at 1000.0 Hz. MSI data was analyzed using FlexAnalysis 3.4
269 and FlexImaging 4.1 (Bruker Daltonics).

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271 **Supplementary Results**

272 To meet the requirement of adsorption kinetics and isotherm experiments test, a HPLC
273 method of a wide linear range (12.5–200.0 $\mu\text{g/mL}$) was developed. Fig. S4 shows the
274 fitting curves of three flavonoids and Table S2 shows the analytical performance
275 parameters of the method, the relatively high correlation coefficient ($R^2 \geq 0.9991$) were
276 obtained within the tested range. The LODs and LOQs are in the ranges of 6.9–10.3
277 ng/mL and 20.7–30.9 ng/mL , respectively. The RSDs of intra- and inter-day
278 repeatability are in the range of 0.8%–1.6%, 1.9%–2.5%, respectively.

279 To evaluate the adsorption properties of the material, adsorption kinetics and
280 isotherm experiments were carried out. The adsorption isotherms for adsorbent to
281 flavonoids at room temperature are shown in Fig. S5a. The adsorption capacity
282 continuously increased with increasing initial concentration at the beginning of
283 adsorption process, thereafter, the adsorption capacity achieved saturation when the
284 initial concentrations of flavonoids were 200 $\mu\text{g/mL}$. The highest adsorption capacity
285 of the adsorbent to NAR, HES, and TAN were obtained to be 11.8, 18.5, and 29.0 mg/g ,
286 respectively. To further study the binding properties, the Langmuir and Freundlich
287 models were selected to fit the obtained experimental data. As expected, the Langmuir
288 model equation is much better for modeling the isotherm adsorption than the Freundlich
289 model equation (Fig. S6, Table S3), which can be concluded that the recognition sites
290 are uniformly distributed in a monolayer on the adsorbent surface. The adsorption
291 kinetic curves for adsorbent to flavonoids of different adsorption time are shown in Fig.
292 S5b. The adsorption capacity of adsorbent increased gradually with time and reached
293 equilibrium at 25 min. The fast equilibrium may be related to the high specific surface
294 area and high porosity of the material. The results revealed that the adsorption of
295 flavonoids on MOF@HOF can quickly reach an adsorption equilibrium with a
296 satisfactory adsorption capacity.

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Table S1. Method validation using MOF@HOF as a matrix for the direct analysis of three flavonoids by MALDI-TOF-MS

Analytes	Regressive curves	Liner range ($\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$)	R^2	LOD ($\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$)	LOQ ($\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$)	RSD (%) ($n=6$)
NAR	$Y=4.32X+84.22$	25–200	0.9986	7.0	23.4	11.1
HES	$Y=5.62X+156.11$	25–200	0.9993	5.3	17.8	9.9
TAN	$Y=45.19X+412.72$	25–200	0.9968	1.1	3.7	7.8

HES, hesperetin; NAR, naringenin; TAN, tangeretin.

Table S2. Analytical performance for the determination of the investigated flavonoids by the developed HPLC method

Analytes	Regressive curves	Liner range ($\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}$)	R^2	LOD (ng/mL)	LOQ (ng/mL)	Intra-day RSD (%) ($n=6$)	Inter-day RSD (%) ($n=6$)
NAR	$Y=91.63X+235.63$	12.5–200.0	0.9991	10.3	30.9	1.6	2.0
HES	$Y=76.61X+111.69$	12.5–200.0	0.9998	8.2	24.7	1.4	1.9
TAN	$Y=70.31X+59.62$	12.5–200.0	0.9999	6.9	20.7	0.8	2.5

HES, hesperetin; NAR, naringenin; TAN, tangeretin.

Table S3. The linear relationship and parameters of Langmuir and Freundlich adsorptions

Compounds	Langmuir				Freundlich			
	Regressive equation	Q_m (mg g ⁻¹)	K_l (mL mg ⁻¹)	R ²	Regressive equation	$K_f(mg^{1-\frac{1}{n}}L^{\frac{1}{n}}g^{-1})$	$\frac{1}{n}$	R ²
TAN	Y=0.259X+0.067	30.3	0.04	0.996	Y=2.015X-1.622	0.02	2.015	0.824
HES	Y=0.647X+0.055	18.2	0.09	0.998	Y=2.073X-1.133	0.07	2.073	0.763
NAR	Y=0.746X+0.033	14.9	0.26	0.998	Y=2.035X+0.162	1.45	2.035	0.916

a: $0.1 < 1/n \leq 0.5$ represented that the adsorption is very easy to perform; $0.5 < 1/n \leq 1$ represented that the adsorption is easy to perform; $1 > 1/n$ represented that the adsorption is difficult to perform. **HES**, hesperetin; **NAR**, naringenin; **TAN**, tangeretin.

Table S4. Method validation using MOF@HOF as an adsorbent and matrix for the analysis of three flavonoids by MALDI-TOF-MS

Analytes	Regressive curves	Liner range (ng·mL⁻¹)	R²	LOD (ng/mL)	LOQ (ng/mL)	RSD (%) (n=6)
NAR	Y=11.31X+150.51	10–100	0.9926	2.7	9.0	10.9
HES	Y=19.34X+109.09	10–100	0.9964	2.0	6.7	7.5
TAN	Y=147.66X+545.31	10–100	0.9936	0.3	1.1	4.3

Table S5. Determination of three flavonoids in kumquat and honey orange by MALDI-TOF-MS using MOF@HOF as an adsorbent and matrix

Sample	Real content (ng mL ⁻¹)			Spiked level (ng mL ⁻¹)	Found (ng mL ⁻¹)			Recovery (%)		
	NAR	HES	TAN		NAR	HES	TAN	NAR	HES	TAN
Kumquat	10.1	-	18.7	20	29.8±1.1	16.4±0.7	35.5±2.5	99.2±3.5	82.2±3.3	91.7±6.5
				50	55.6±2.0	47.0±1.9	65.4±4.6	92.5±3.4	94.1±3.9	95.2±6.7
				80	86.9±1.6	75.3±1.6	95.8±2.6	96.4±1.7	94.2±2.1	97.1±2.6
Honey orange	-	15.7	10.5	20	17.2±1.2	31.6±1.0	28.1±3.0	86.2±6.0	88.5±2.7	92.2±9.8
				50	45.9±1.9	62.0±1.2	61.3±2.7	91.9±3.8	94.4±1.8	101.4±4.5
				80	75.8±2.0	84.4±4.9	89.1±4.2	94.8±2.6	88.2±5.1	98.4±4.7

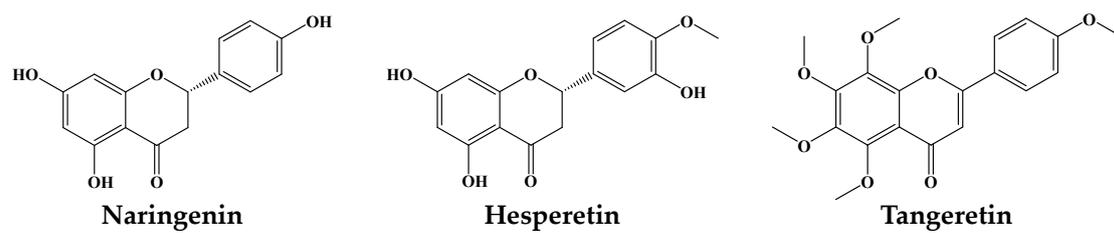


Fig. S1. Chemical structures of selected flavonoids.

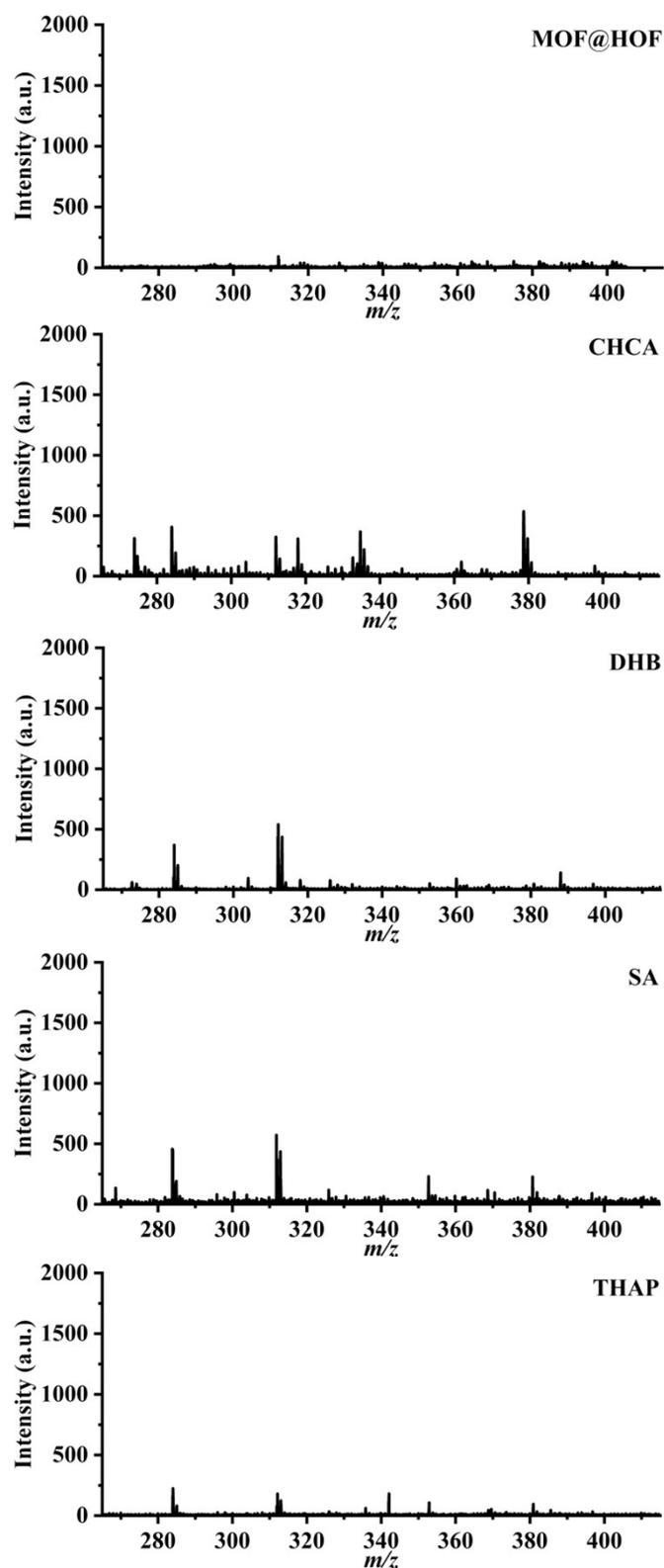


Fig. S2. The background mass spectra of MOF@HOF composite and traditional matrix. **CHCA**, α -cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid; **DHB**, 2, 5-dihydroxybenzoic acid; **MOF@HOF**, metal-organic framework @ hydrogen-bond framework; **SA**, sinapic acid; **THAP**, 2, 4, 6-trihydroxyacetophenone.

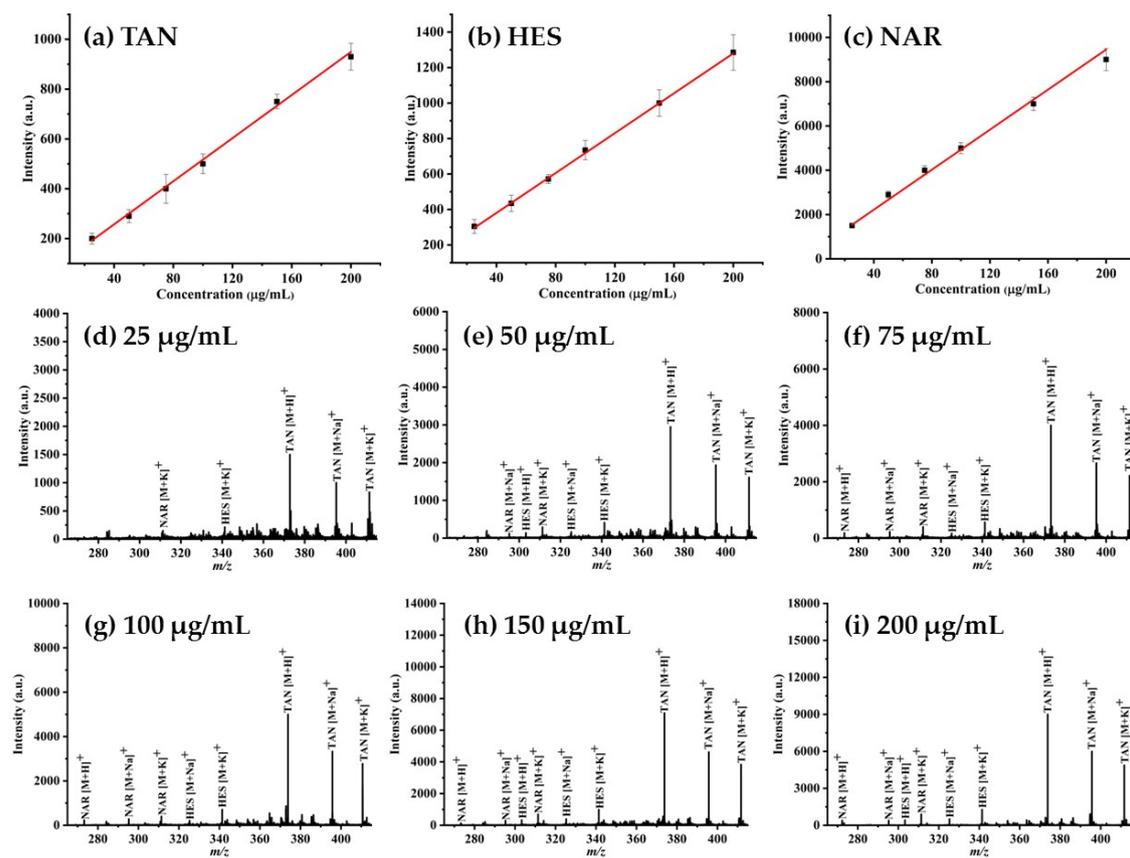


Fig. S3. The calibration curves of (a) TAN, (b) HES, and (c) NAR using MOF@HOF as a matrix for the direct MALDI-TOF-MS analysis, based on the intensity of TAN ($[M+H]^+$ at m/z 373), HES ($[M+K]^+$ at m/z 341), and NAR ($[M+K]^+$ at m/z 311); (d–i) Mass spectra of mixed reference compounds in the concentrations of 25–200 $\mu\text{g/mL}$. HES, hesperetin; NAR, naringenin; TAN, tangeretin.

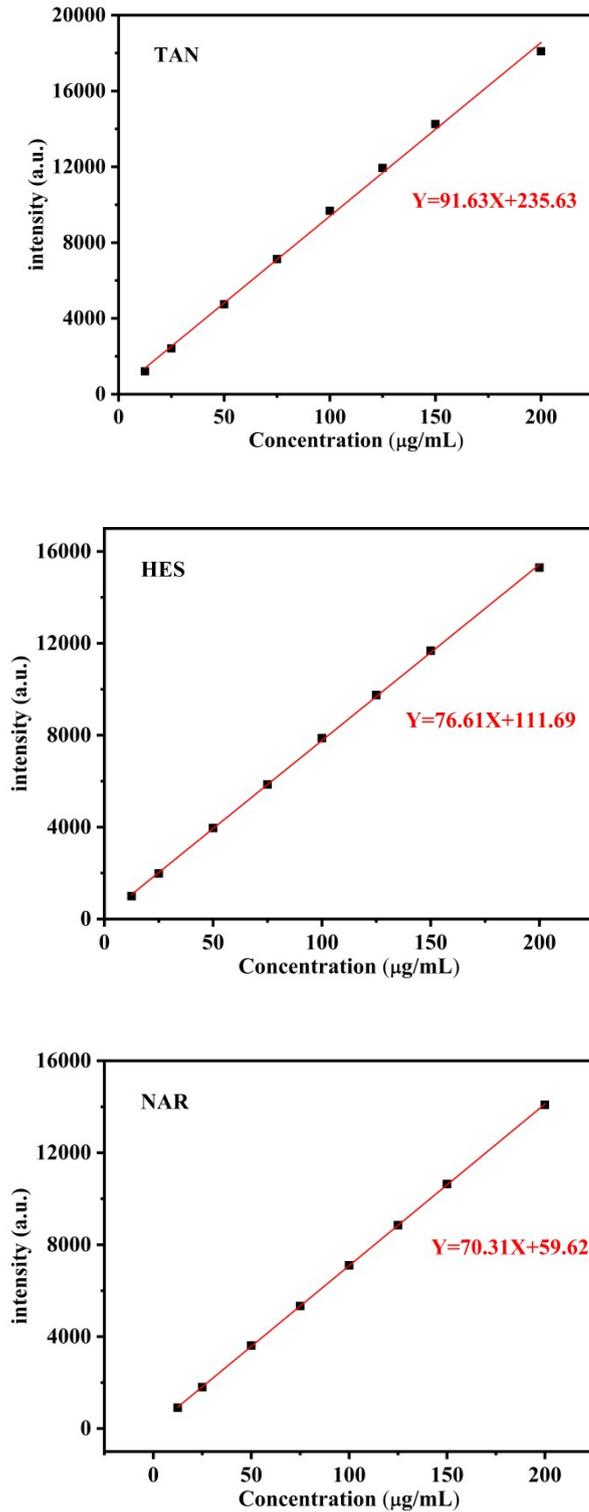


Fig. S4. The calibration curves of investigated flavonoids determined by HPLC using MOF@HOF as an adsorbent. **HES**, hesperetin; **NAR**, naringenin; **TAN**, tangeretin.

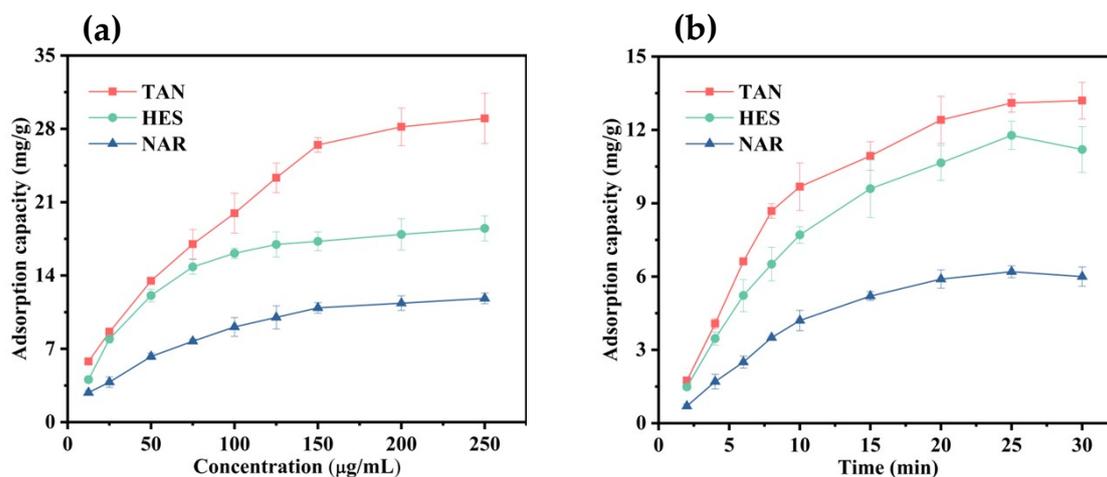


Fig. S5. (a) Adsorption isotherms and (b) adsorption kinetics of TAN, HES, and NAR using MOF@HOF as an adsorbent. TAN, tangeretin; HES, hesperetin; NAR, naringenin.

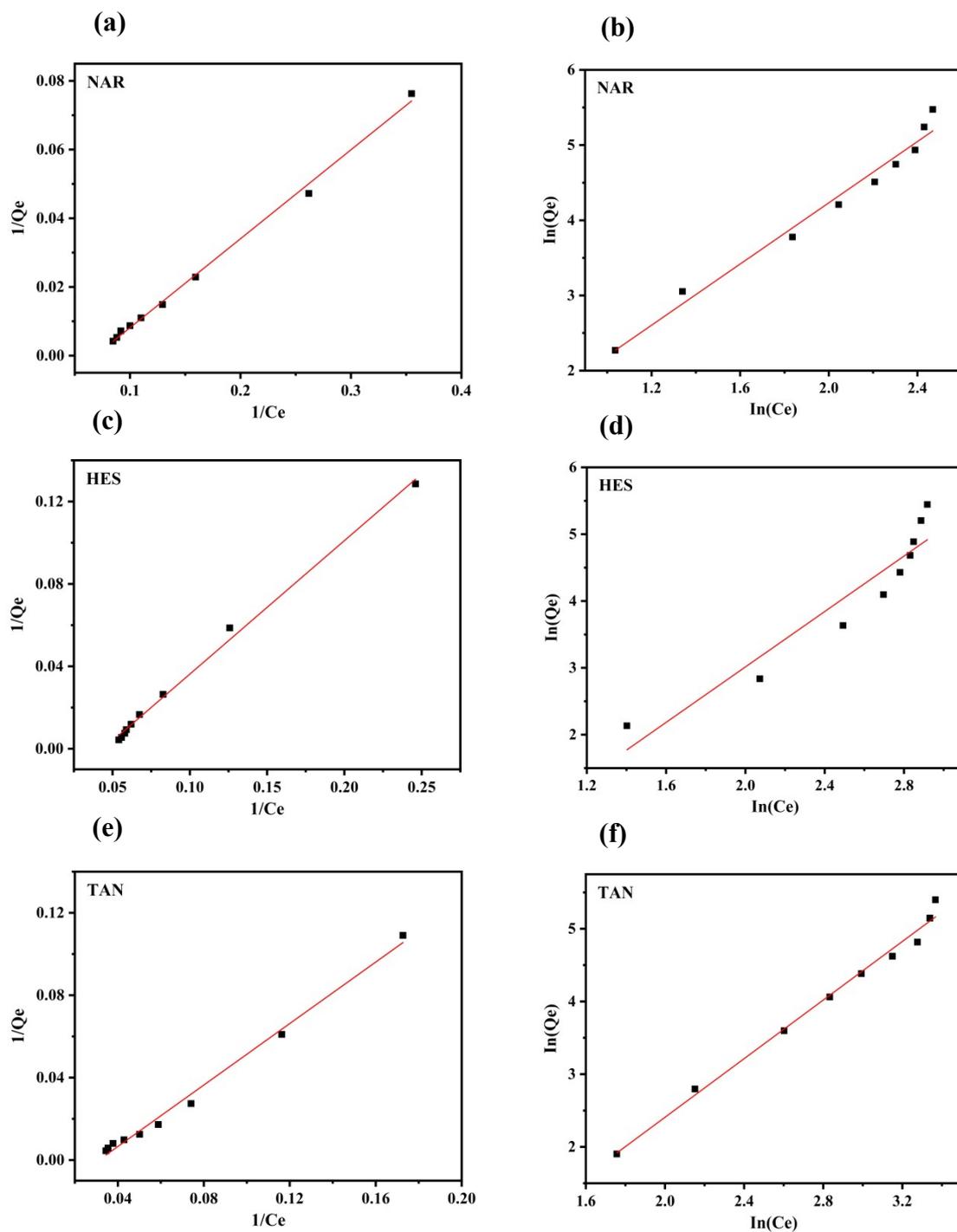


Fig. S6. Langmuir (a, c, e) and Freundlich (b, d, f) isotherm adsorption model curves of three flavonoids. HES, hesperetin; NAR, naringenin; TAN, tangeretin.

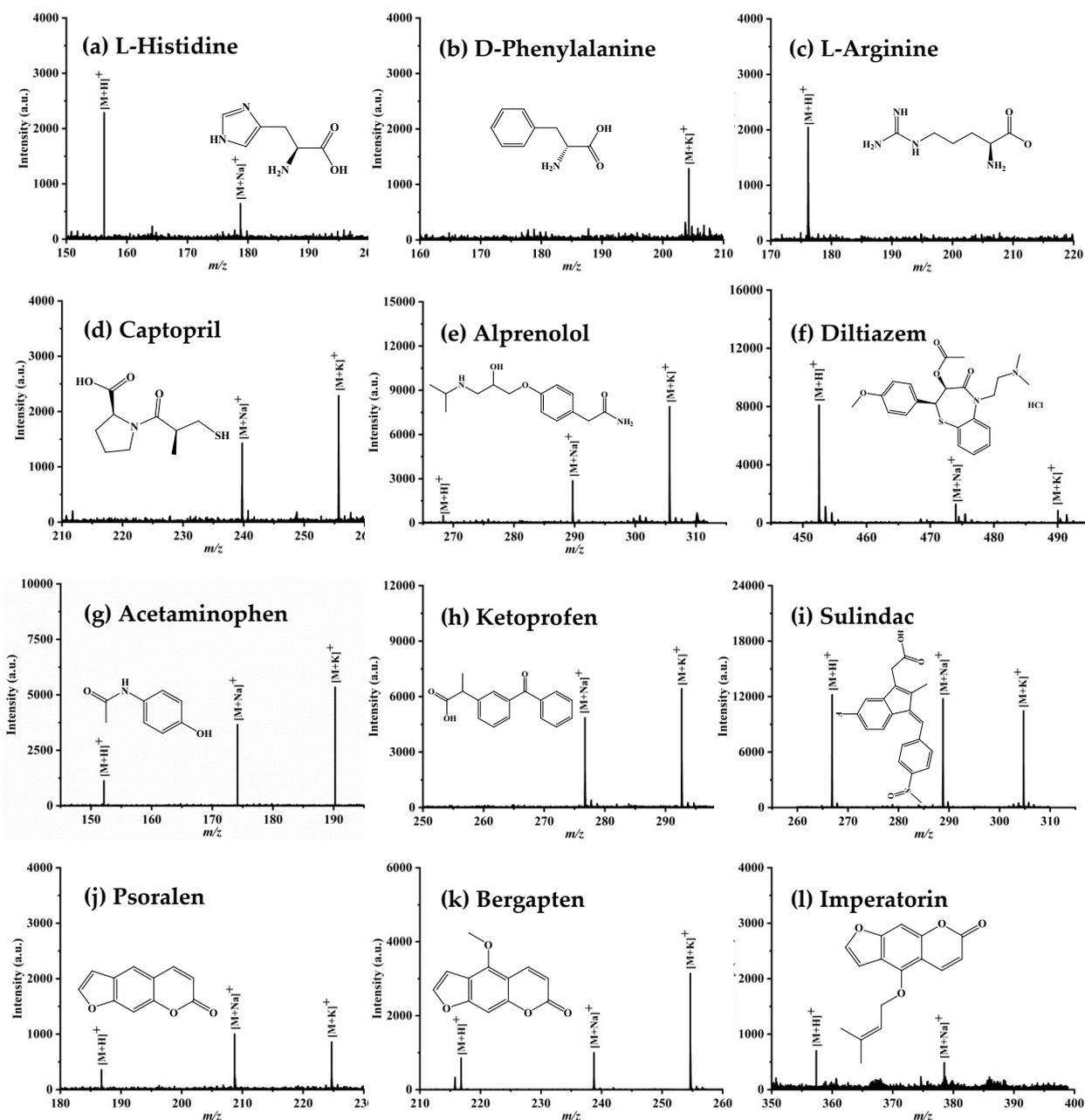


Fig. S7. Mass spectra and corresponding chemical structures of amino acids ((a) L-histidine, (b) D-phenylalanine, and (c) L-arginine), antihypertensive drugs ((d) captopril, (e) alprenolol, and (f) diltiazem), non-steroid anti-inflammatory drug ((g) acetaminophen, (h) ketoprofen, and (i) sulindac), coumarins ((j) psoralen, (k) bergapten, and (l) imperatorin). The amino acids were dissolved in ultrapure water and the other compounds were dissolved in acetonitrile. The concentration of all analytes is 100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ for direct analysis.

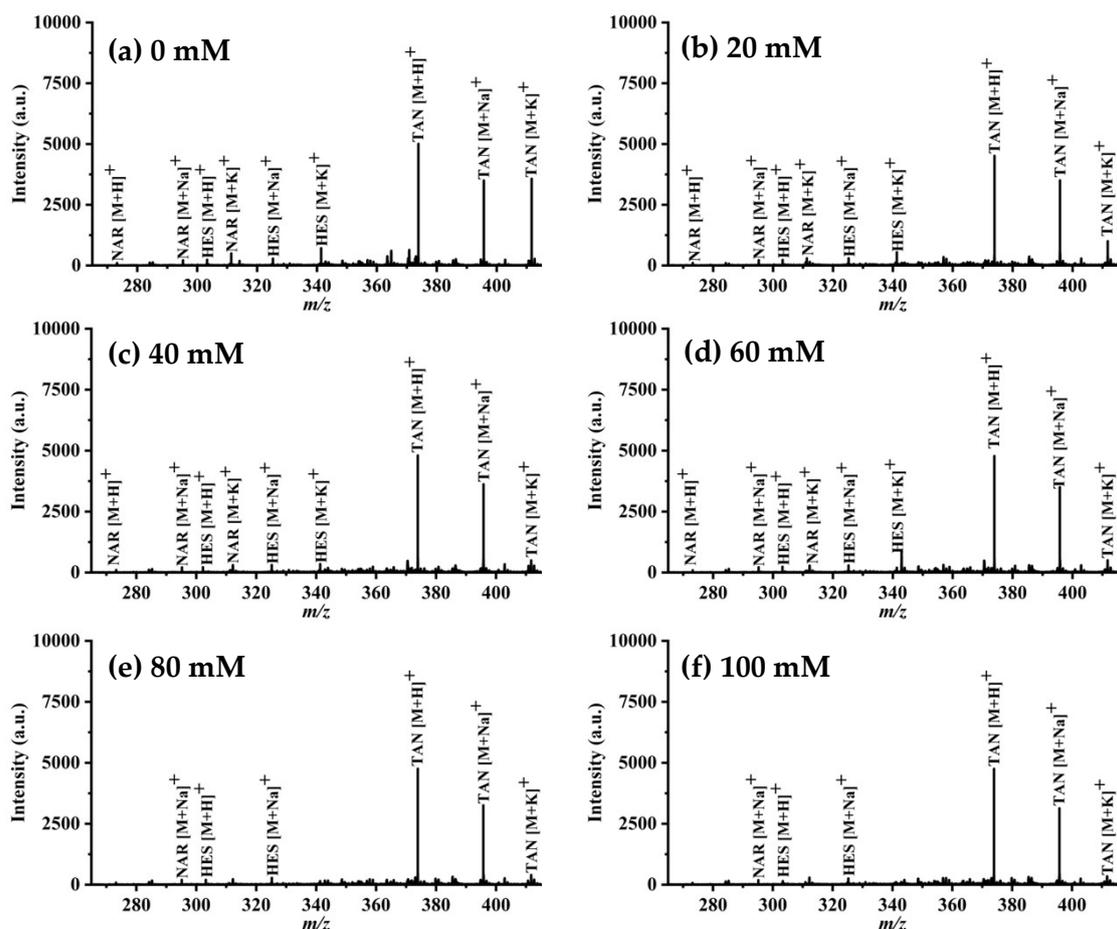


Fig. S8. MALDI-TOF-MS spectra of 100 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ of tangeretin analyzed using MOF@HOF as a matrix in positive ion mode with addition of 0, 20, 40, 60, 80, and 100 mM of NaCl.

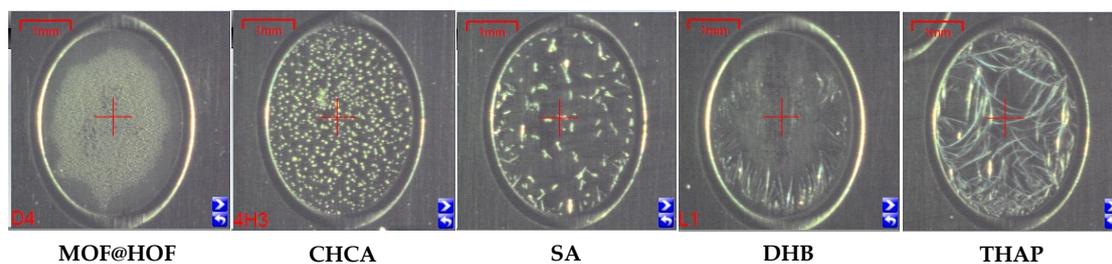


Fig. S9. Optical images of different matrix (2 mg/mL) dispersed on the stainless-steel targets. CHCA, α -cyano-4-hydroxycinnamic acid; DHB, 2, 5-dihydroxybenzoic acid; MOF@HOF, metal-organic framework @ hydrogen-bond framework; SA, sinapic acid; THAP, 2, 4, 6-trihydroxyacetophenone.

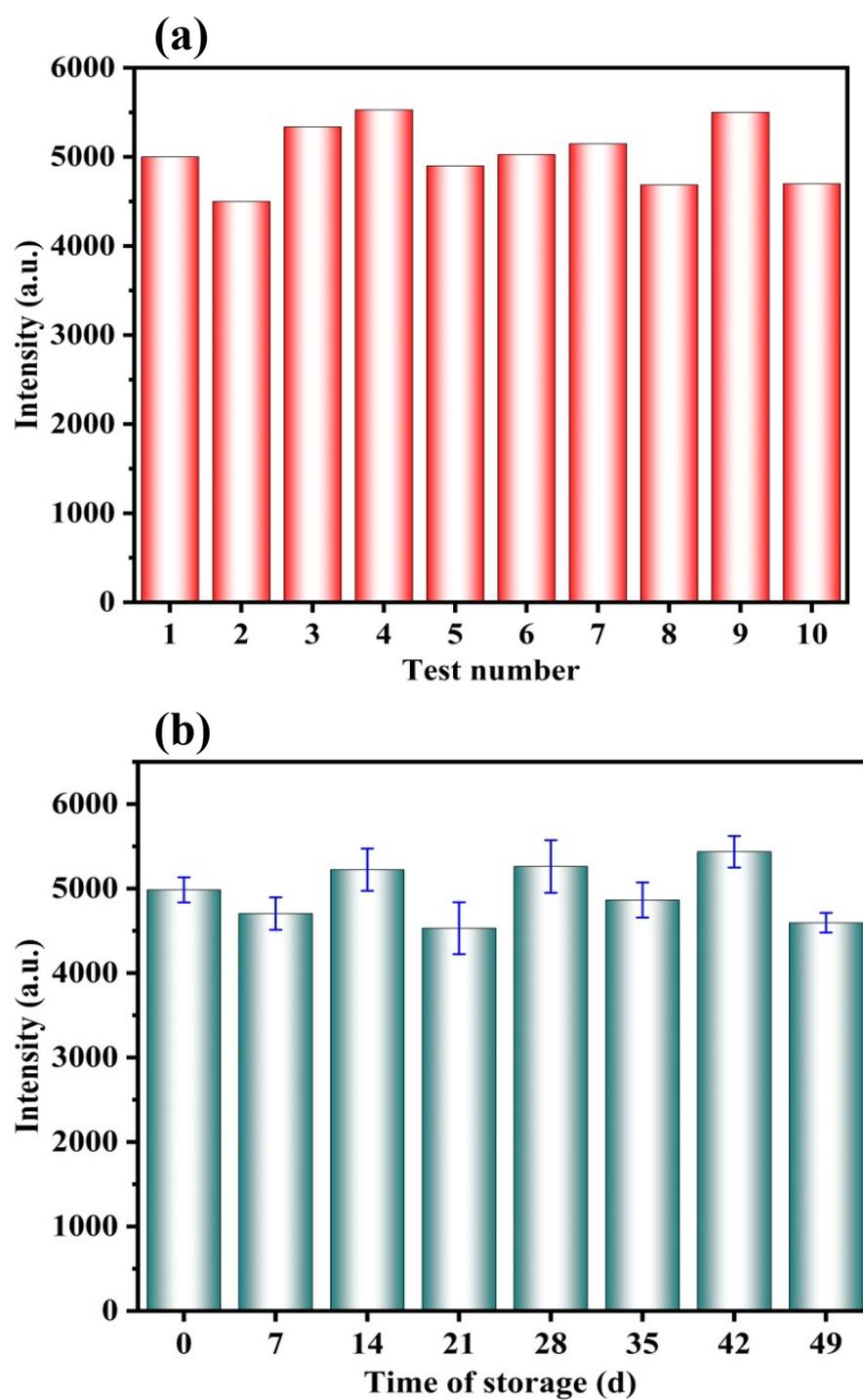


Fig. S10. (a) Repeatability and (b) storage stability test of MOF@HOF composite, based on the intensity of tangeretin ($[M+H]^+$ at m/z 373).

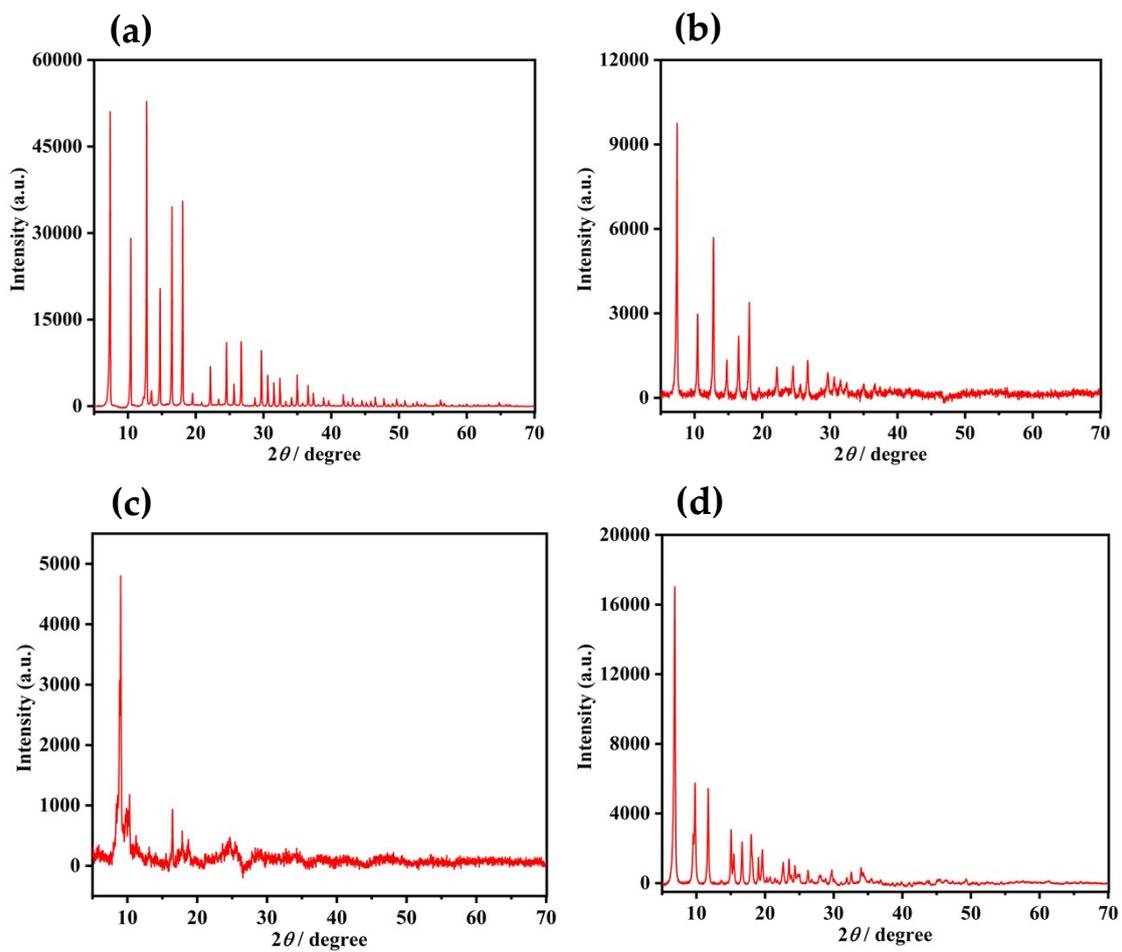


Fig. S11. The XRD spectra of (a) ZIF-8, (b) ZIF-67, (c) NH₂-MIL-101, and (d) NH₂-MIL-125.

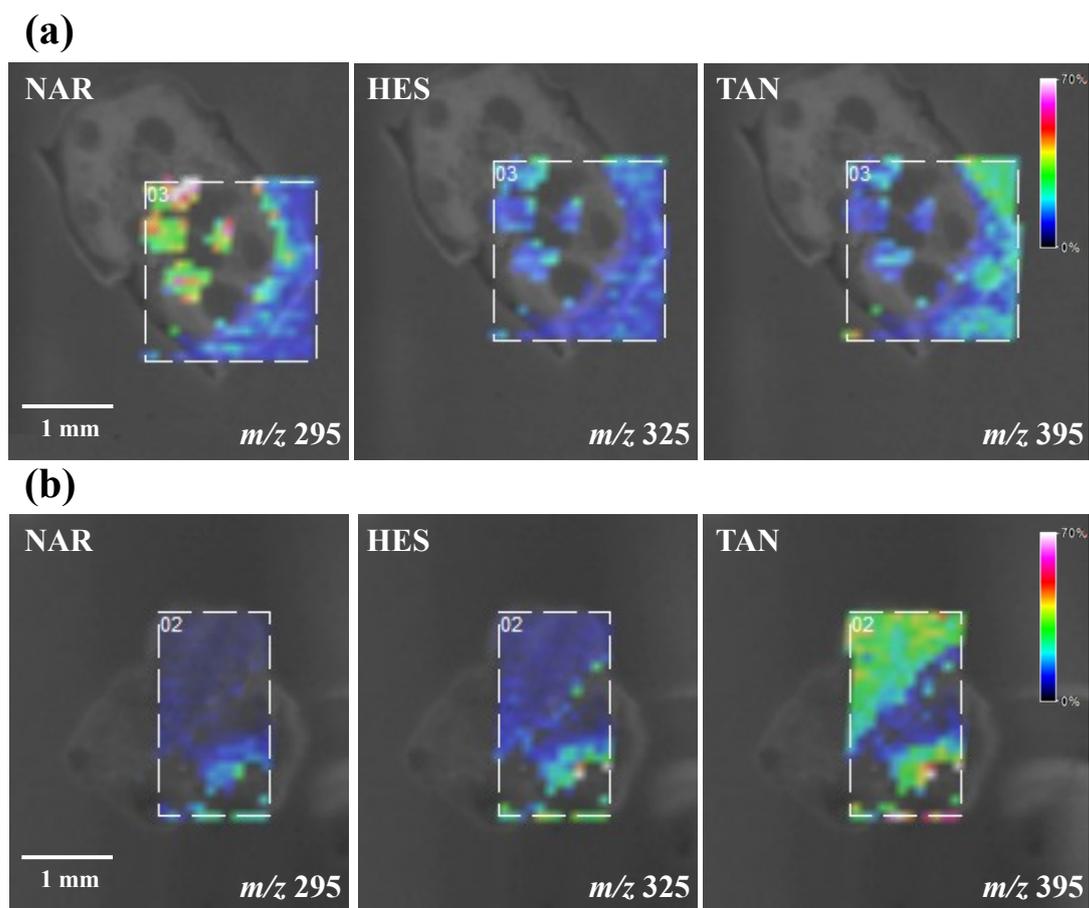


Fig. S12. MALDI-MS imaging analysis of the NAR, HES, and TAN distribution in the peel tissue of **(a)** kumquat and **(b)** honey orange. TAN, tangeretin; HES, hesperetin; NAR, naringenin.