

Supplementary Section

FIGURES

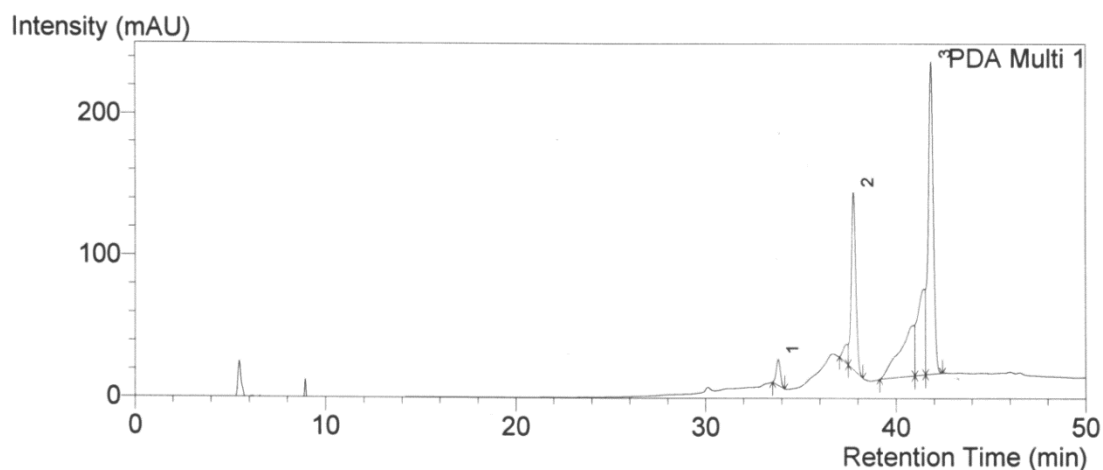


Figure 1a. The chromatogram of a synthetic mixture of the phenolic antioxidants at 350nm: 1. p.coumaric acid; 2. myricetin; 3. Quercetin.

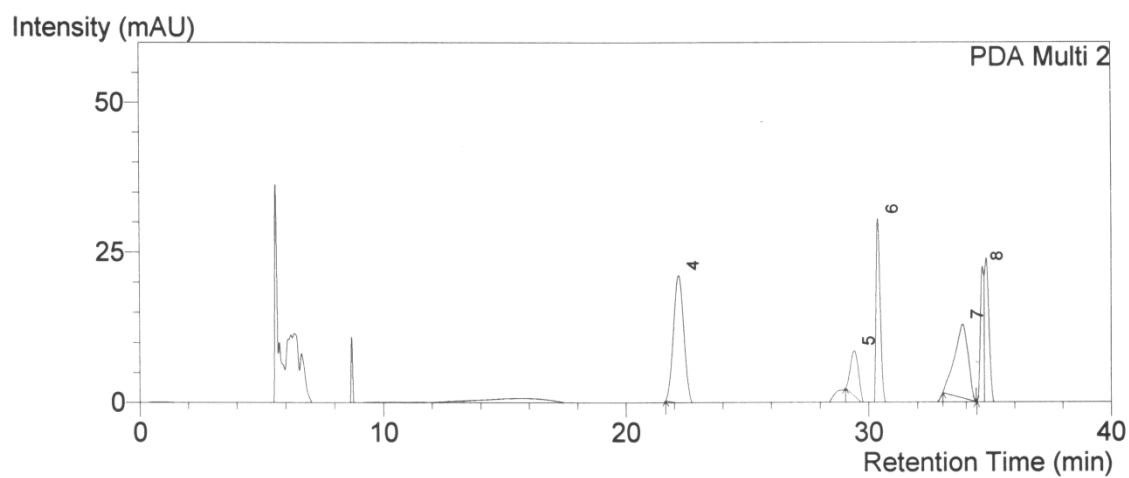


Figure 1b.

Figure 1b. The chromatogram of a synthetic mixture of the phenolic antioxidants at 520nm: 4.delphinidin; 5.cyanidin; 6. malvidin; 7. pelargonidin; 8. peonidin.

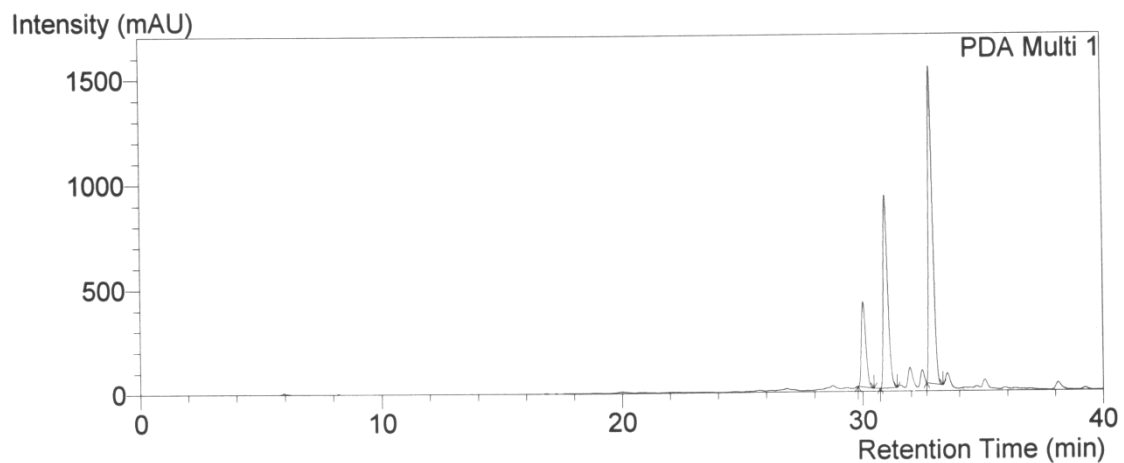


Figure 2. The chromatogram of 70 % methanolic extract of *M.comminus* L. leaves
(Dedection at 350nm)

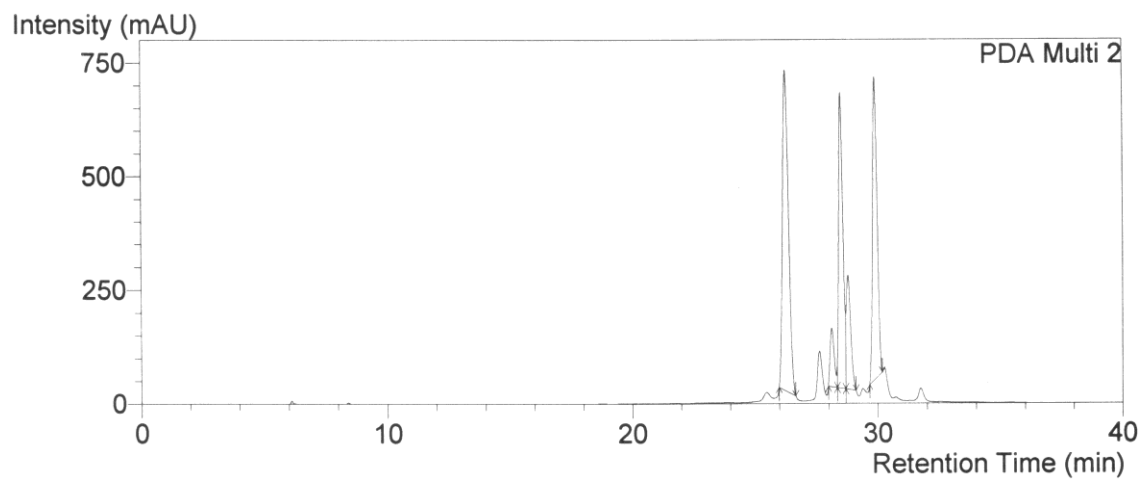


Figure 3. The chromatogram of 70 % methanolic extract of *M.comminus* L. berries
(Dedection at 520nm)

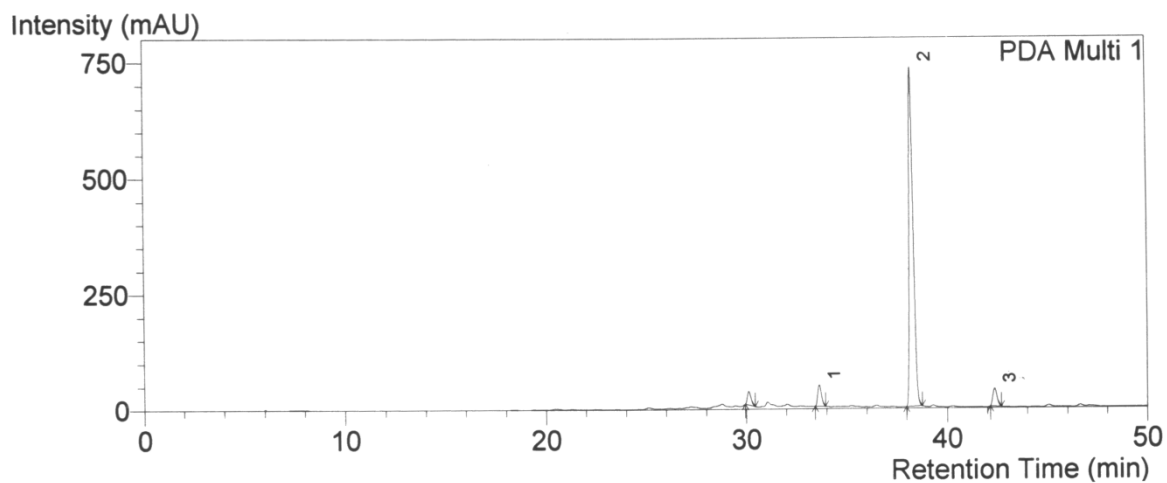


Figure 4. The chromatogram of 70 % methanolic extract of *M.comminus* L. leaves after 4h hydrolysis 1. p.coumaric acid; 2. myricetin; 3. quercetin (Dedection at 350nm)

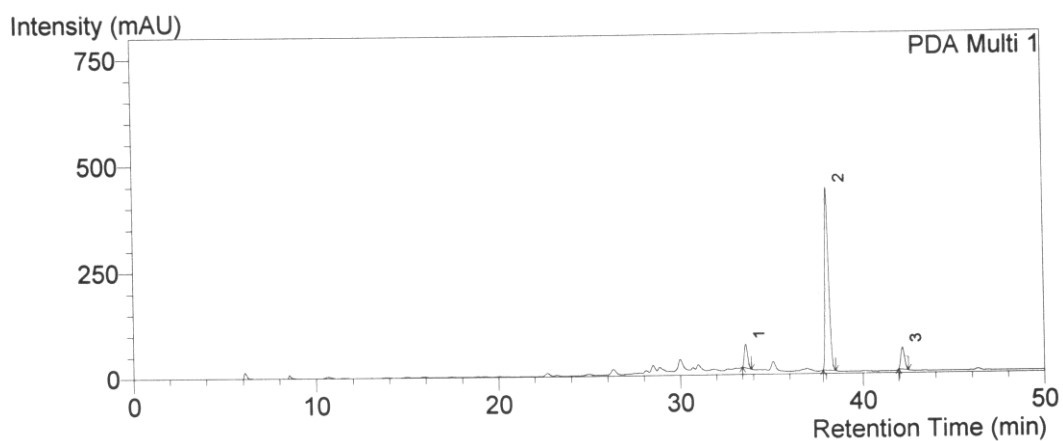


Figure 5a. The chromatograms of 70 % methanolic extract of *M.comminus* L. berries after 4h hydrolysis at 350 nm: 1. p.coumaric acid; 2. myricetin; 3. Quercetin.

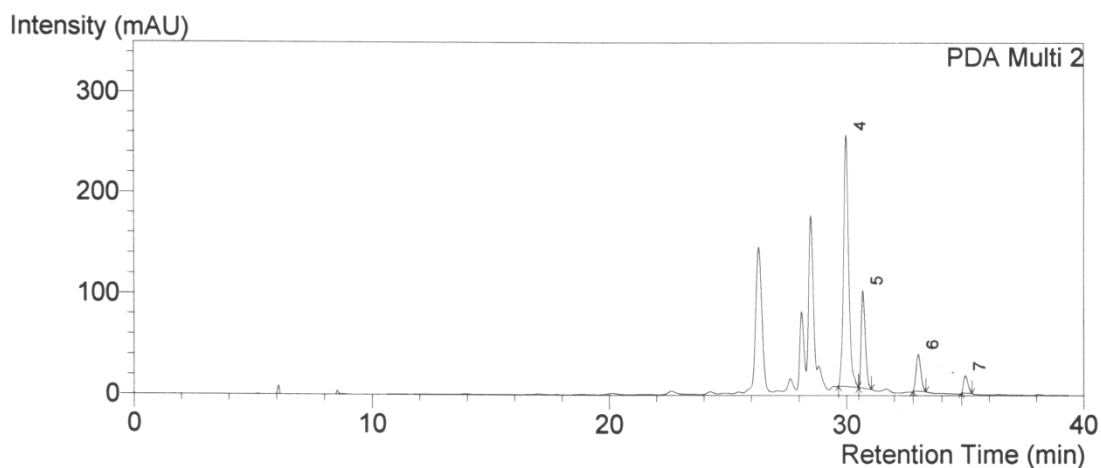


Figure 5b. The chromatograms of 70 % methanolic extract of *M.comminus* L. berries after 4h hydrolysis at at 520nm: 4.cyanidin; 5. malvidin; 6. pelargonidin; 7. Peonidin

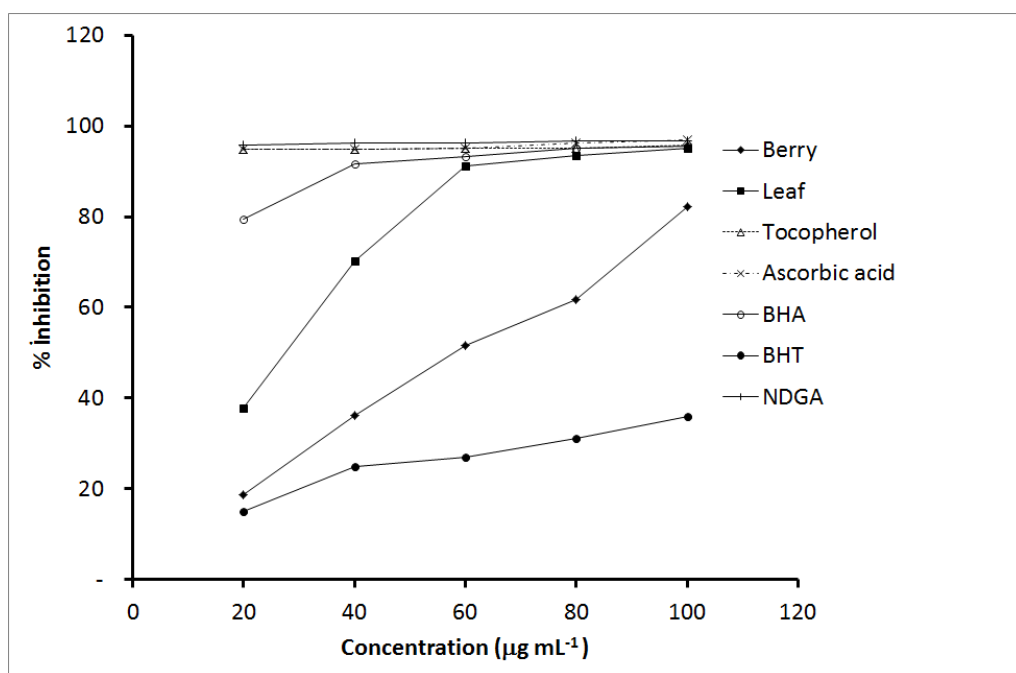


Figure 6. DPPH scavenging activity of the methanolic extract from *M.comminus* L. leaves and berries compared to BHA, BHT, ascorbic acid, tocopherol and NDGA

TABLES

Table 1. Chemical composition of the essential oil of *Myrtus communis* L. leaves.

Compound	ZB-Wax MS			ZB-5MS		
	RRI (Calc.)	RRI (Ref.)	Area(%)	RRI (Calc.)	RRI (Ref.)	Area(%)
Tricyclene	---	---	---	924	926 ³⁰	0.13
α -Pinene	1017	1017 ¹²	15.51	940	939 ³⁰	15.07
α -Thujene	1035	1035 ²⁹	0.13	---	---	---
Isobutyl isobutyrate	1081	1081 ¹²	4.58	898	892 ¹⁰	3.89
β -Pinene	1093	1093 ¹²	0.13	980	980 ³⁰	0.13
δ -3-Carene	1138	1138 ¹²	0.13	---	---	---
β -Myrcene	1157	1157 ¹²	0.26	---	---	---
Limonene	1197	1197 ¹²	13.63	1030	1031 ³⁰	15.59
1,8-Cineole	1210	1210 ¹²	14.30	1033	1033 ³⁰	16.78
(E)-2-Hexenal	1218	1218 ¹²	0.34	---	---	---
(Z)- β -Ocimene	1234	1234 ¹²	0.13	---	---	---
(E)- β -Ocimene	1250	1250 ¹²	0.26	---	---	---
p.Cymene	1266	1280 ²⁹	0.40	---	---	---
α -Terpinolene	1279	1279 ¹²	0.13	---	---	---
Hexanol	1354	1354 ²⁹	0.06	---	---	---
(Z)-3-Hexenol	1370	1370 ²⁹	0.06	---	---	---
cis-Anethole	---	---	---	1251	1251 ³⁰	0.26
Linalool	1554	1553 ²⁹	14.91	1098	1098 ³⁰	15.66
Linalyl acetate	1559	1556 ²⁹	2.42	1257	1257 ³⁰	4.09
Bornyl acetate	---	---	---	1295	1295 ²⁹	0.13
Terpinen-4-ol	1605	1605 ¹²	0.13	---	---	---
3-Hexenyl butanoate	1620	1620 ¹²	0.06	---	---	---
Trans-Pinocarveyl acetate	1626	1626 ¹²	0.26	---	---	---
cis- β -Terpineol	---	---	---	1144	1144 ³⁰	0.13
α -Humulene	1668	1668 ¹²	0.26	---	---	---

Estragole	1671	1671 ¹²	0.26	---	---	---
Myrtenyl acetate	1693	1693 ¹²	22.26	1335	1335 ²⁹	21.42
Terpinyl acetate	1706	1706 ²⁹	0.54	1350	1344 ²⁹	0.59
α -Terpineol	1709	1709 ²⁹	3.64	1189	1189 ²⁹	3.7
Neryl acetate	1730	1730 ¹²	0.34	1365	1367 ¹⁷	0.26
Geranyl acetate	1761	1761 ¹²	2.97	1383	1385 ¹⁷	4.23
Myrtenol	1798	1798 ¹²	0.2	---	---	---
Nerol	1798	1797 ²⁹	0.13	---	---	---
Geraniol	1856	1856 ¹²	0.47	---	---	---
Methyl eugenol	2030	2030 ²⁹	0.94	1401	1406 ¹⁷	1.45

RRI calculated against n-alkanes.
% : calculated from FID data.

Table 2. Total phenolic content for the methanolic extracts from *M.comminus* L. leaves and berries.

Concentration ($\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$)	Total phenolic compounds ($\mu\text{g pyrocatechol mg}^{-1}$ extract)	
	Leaf	Berry
250	25.53 \pm 0.616	18.93 \pm 1.457
500	48.52 \pm 2.252	33.48 \pm 1.215
750	70.93 \pm 0.467	51.67 \pm 2.101
1000	104.21 \pm 7.709	60.83 \pm 1.632

Values are means \pm SD.

Table 3. The cupric ion reducing antioxidant capacity of the methanolic extracts from *M.comminus* L. leaves and berries.

Concentration ($\mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$)	Cuprac reducing power (absorbance)		
	Leaf	Berry	Trolox
20	0.107 \pm 0.0010	0.069 \pm 0.0005	0.129 \pm 0.00057
40	0.198 \pm 0.0010	0.124 \pm 0.0026	0.297 \pm 0.0010
60	0.286 \pm 0.0011	0.179 \pm 0.0017	0.389 \pm 0.0000
80	0.379 \pm 0.0010	0.232 \pm 0.0010	0.493 \pm 0.0010
100	0.536 \pm 0.0040	0.312 \pm 0.0064	0.618 \pm 0.0010

Values are means \pm SD.