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Programme and Abstracts

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Welcome to all of our Bioactive friends!

We are excited to welcome you to the 1st International Conference on Food Bioactives and Health (FBHC2016) on 13-15 September 2016 in Norwich.

FBHC is the first forum to bring together researchers from various scientific communities to present the latest research and discuss common themes and challenges to understanding the impacts of food bioactives on health. The scientific committee have planned a varied and interesting programme which we hope you enjoy. We are proud to welcome experts on polyphenols, glucosinolates, fish oils, carotenoids, bioactive peptides and many other types of bioactives.

We hope this will become an important international forum to inform and optimise our collective understanding of bioactive health benefits and to support the development of functional foods and health claims.

We have located the social programme in Norwich to help you explore and experience our city full of history, character and charm.

Whilst you are here why not try to introduce some Norfolk dialect to your conversations and questions?

"Thas ryte that is" – that's correct

"Hold you hard" – hang on a moment

"Lend us a lug" – listen

"Loada ole squat" – utter nonsense

Enjoy!



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Phenolic compounds in "white açai" by LC-MS/MS

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Introduction

Açai (*Euterpe Oleracea*) fruits possessing a greenish to yellow color when ripe and displaying a crème-colored mesocarp are referred as "white açai". Although less popular than purple açai, it is quite consumed by people from the Amazon region. Up to our knowledge, there is a lack of studies on its phytochemical composition, therefore, the aim of this study was to determine the phenolic compounds profile of "white açai" by ultra-high performance liquid chromatography coupled to electrospray-ionization and triple quadrupole mass spectrometer (LC-MS/MS).

Methods

The Multiple Reaction Monitoring (MRM) technique was used to identify and quantify the phenolic compounds. The optimization of the MS parameters was conducted using standard solutions of the phenolic compounds. One gram of freeze-dried "white açai" samples were defatted using petroleum ether 60°C (5 extractions, 10 mL). Then, the phenolic compounds were extracted using ethanol:water (35:65 v/v) and the extracts were injected into the UPLC-MS/MS system.

Results

According to the results, the phenolic compounds detected in "white açai" were: 3,4-dihydroxybenzoic, 4-hydroxybenzoic, vanillic, caffeic, syringic, *p*-coumaric, chlorogenic and ferulic acids, and the flavonoids epicatechin, catechin, taxifolin, orientin and isoorientin. Orientin was the major phenolic compound in "white açai" ($378 \pm 23.6 \mu\text{g.g}^{-1}$), followed by isoorientin ($178.7 \pm 11.3 \mu\text{g.g}^{-1}$) and vanillic acid ($55.6 \pm 5.3 \mu\text{g.g}^{-1}$). Epicatechin was found to be under the quantification limit (0.07 ppm) and syringic acid was the minor compound ($0.63 \pm 0.15 \mu\text{g.g}^{-1}$) determined. The profile and the content of phenolic compounds in "white açai" was related to that previously reported for purple açai.

Conclusion

This work presented for the first time the phenolic composition of "white açai" and showed that it may be entitled as a source of phenolic compounds belonging to *Euterpe oleracea* species.