## Supplementary material

# New Phenolic Acids from *Elephantopus scaber* Linn. and their Anti- inflammatory Activity

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#### ABSTRACT

Two new phenolic acids, ethyl 3,3',4,4'-tetrahydroxy- $\delta$ -truxinate (1), 3-*O*-*p*-coumaroyl-4-*O*caffeoyl quinic acid methyl ester (2), together with three known compounds (3–5) were isolated from the whole plant of *Elephantopus scaber* Linn.. The structures of the new compounds were elucidated using detailed spectroscopic analysis. Compound **3** was obtained and given its NMR data for the first time. All isolates were evaluated for their anti-inflammatory activity *via* inhibiting the production of nitric oxide (NO) in lipopolysaccharide (LPS)-stimulated murine macrophage RAW 264.7 cells, and **1**, **4** and **5** showed a moderate inhibition with IC<sub>50</sub> values ranging from 11.85 to 20.62  $\mu$ M.

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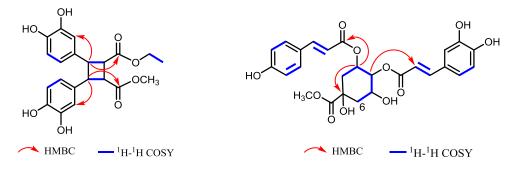


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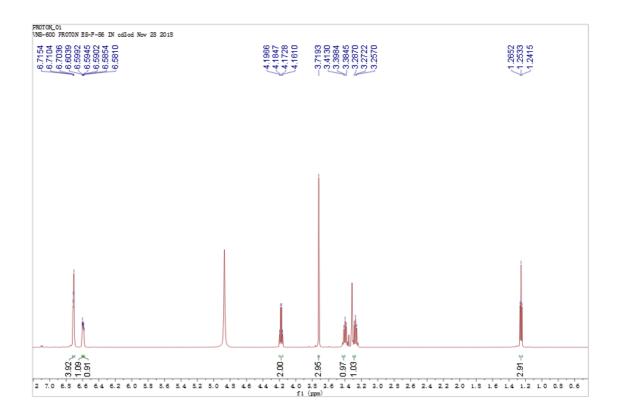


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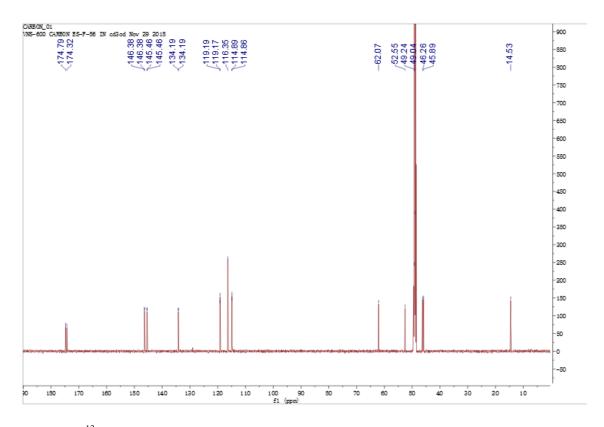


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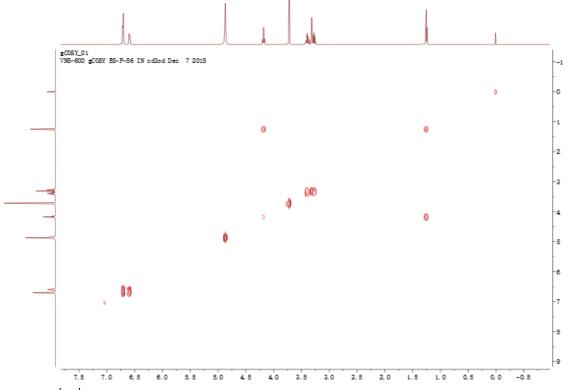


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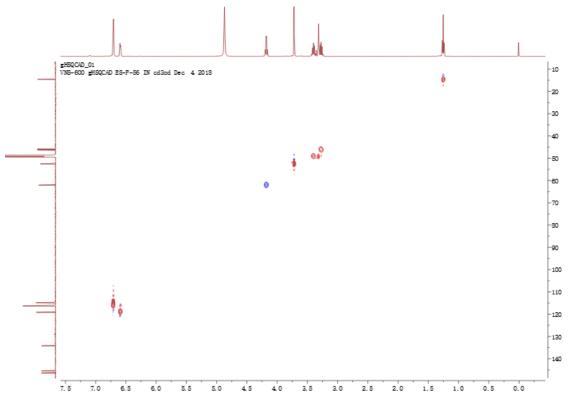


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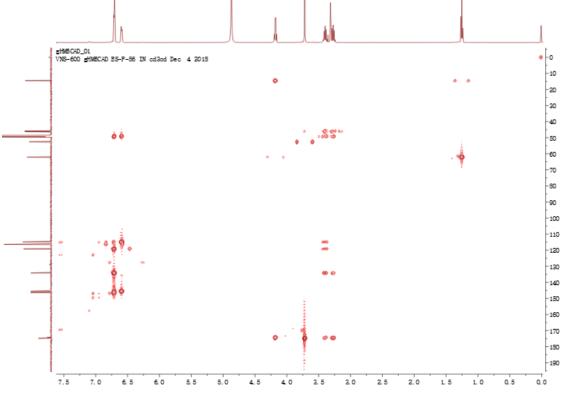


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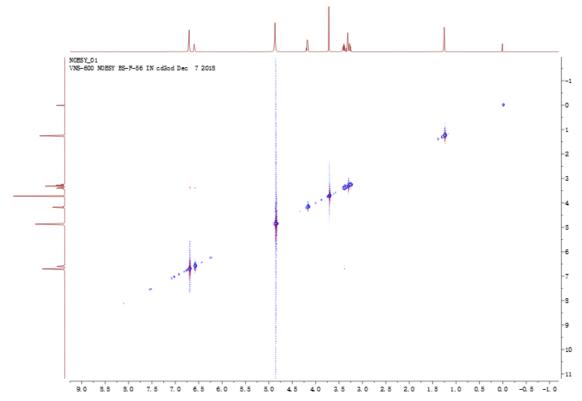


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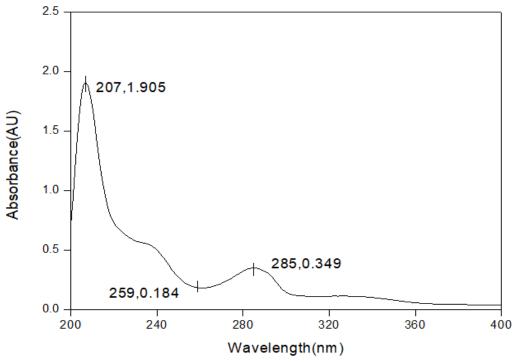


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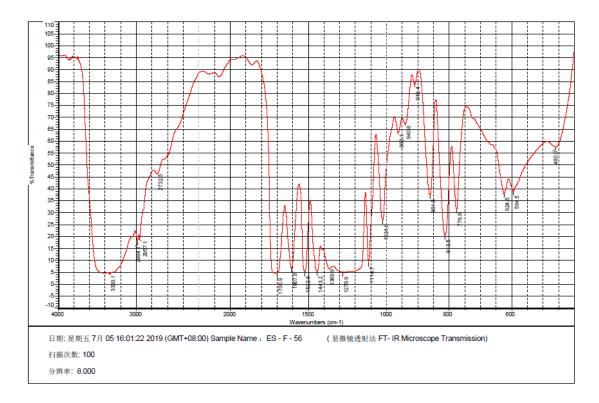


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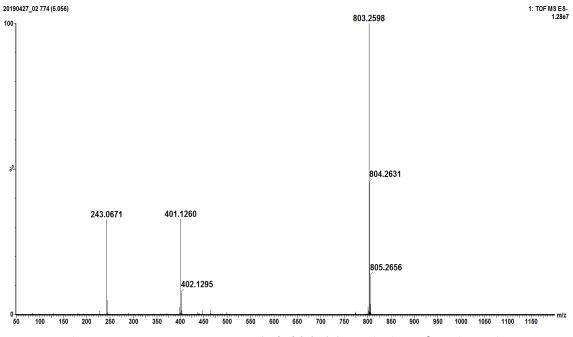


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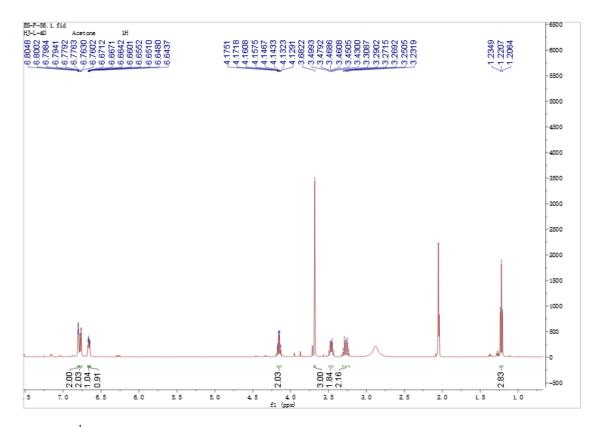


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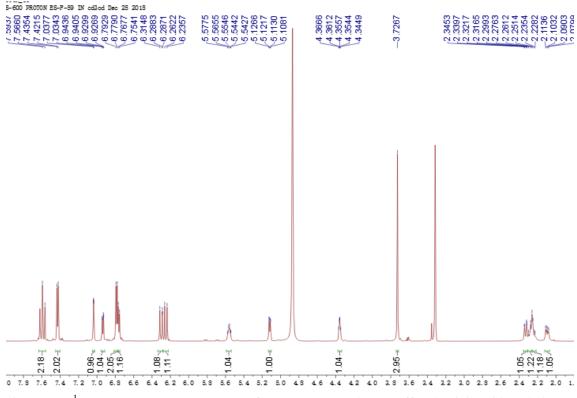


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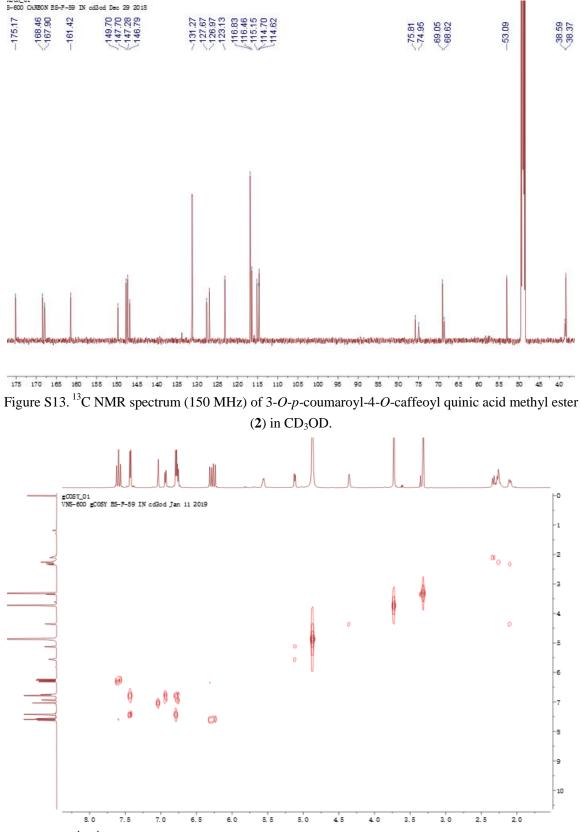


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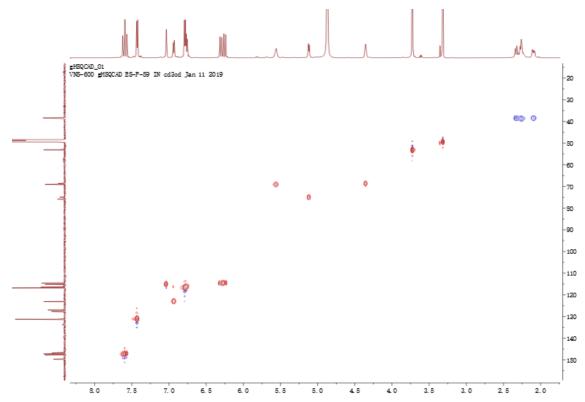


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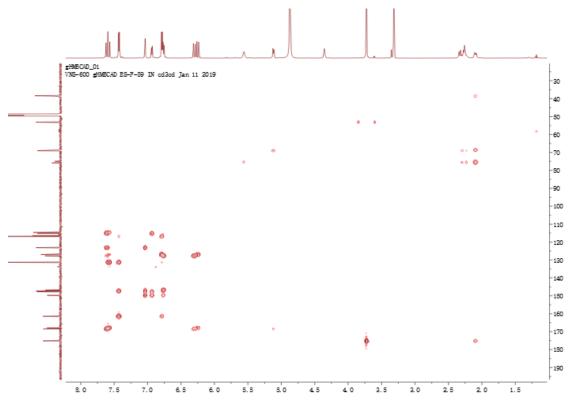


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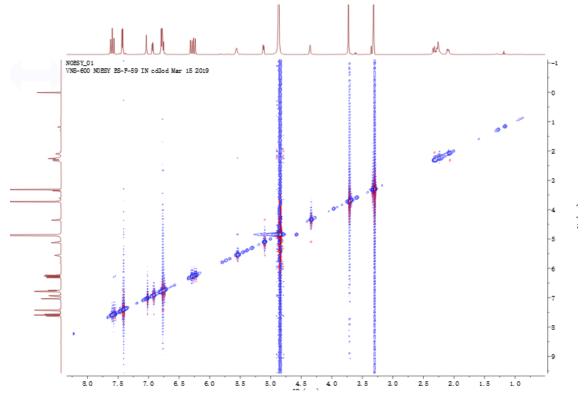


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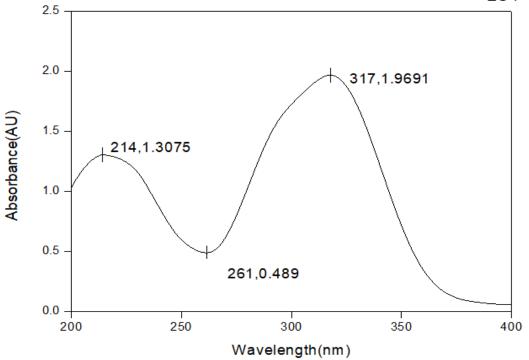


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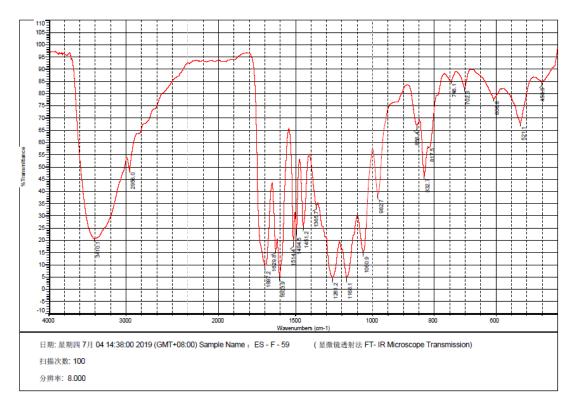


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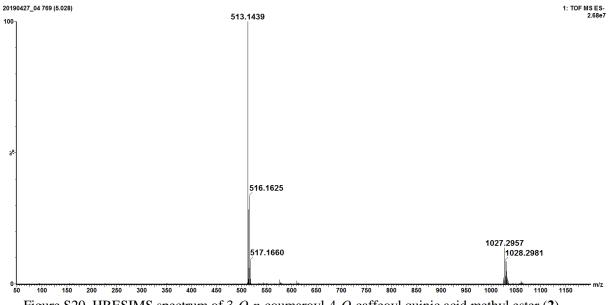


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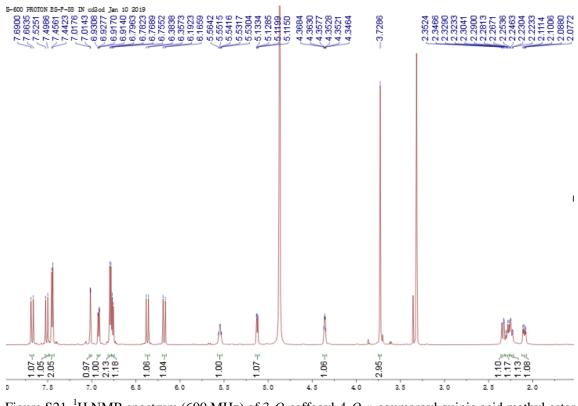
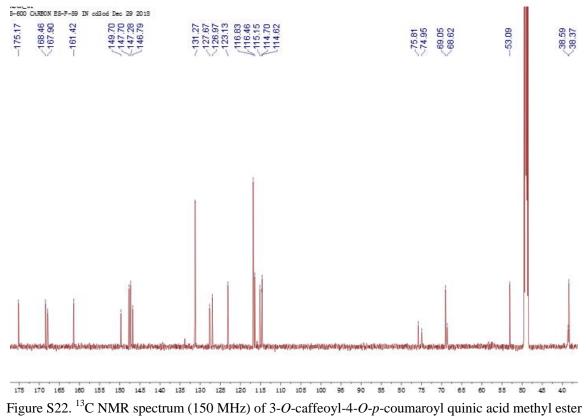


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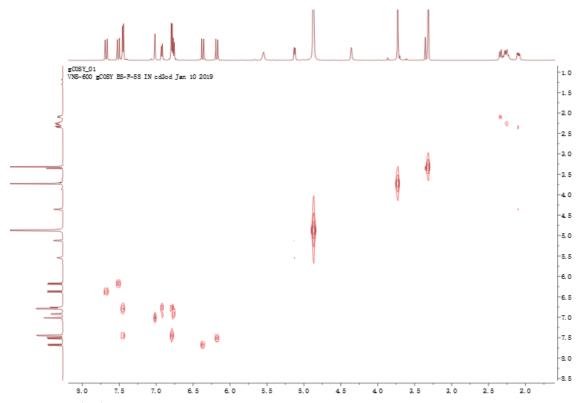


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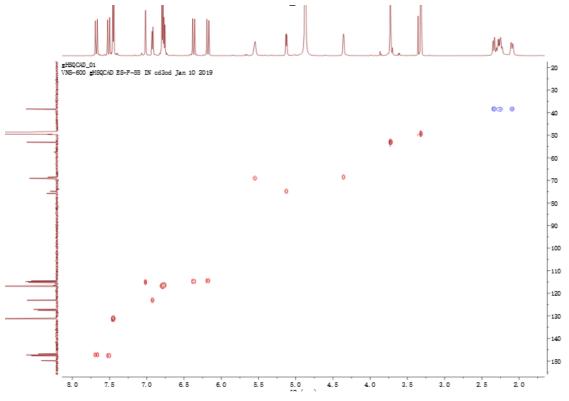


Figure S24. HSQC spectrum (600 MHz) of 3-*O*-caffeoyl-4-*O*-*p*-coumaroyl quinic acid methyl ester (**3**) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.

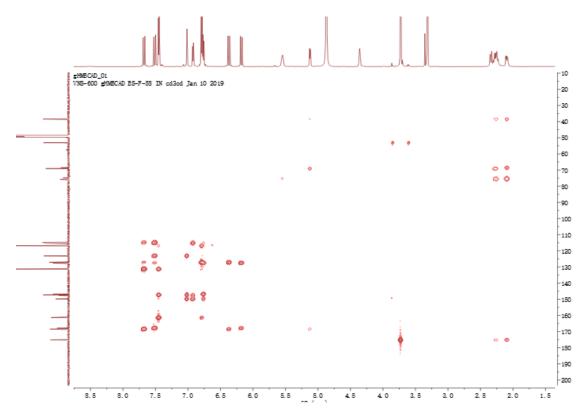


Figure S25. HMBC spectrum (600 MHz) of 3-O-caffeoyl-4-O-p-coumaroyl quinic acid methyl ester (3) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.

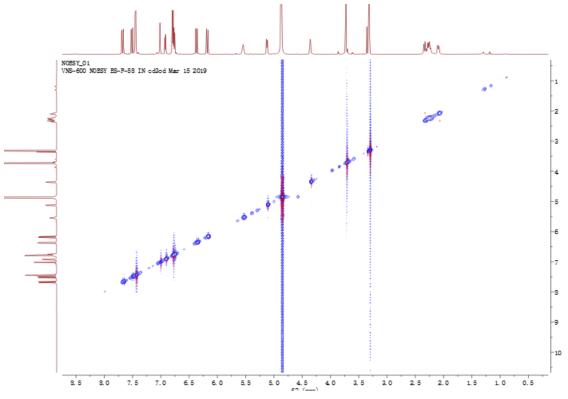


Figure S26. ROESY spectrum (600 MHz) of 3-*O*-caffeoyl-4-*O*-*p*-coumaroyl quinic acid methyl ester (3) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.



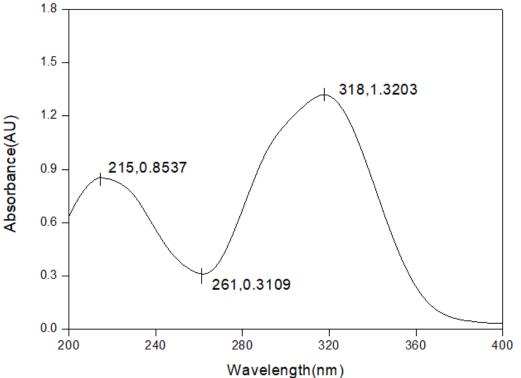


Figure S27. UV spectrum of 3-O-caffeoyl-4-O-p-coumaroyl quinic acid methyl ester (3).

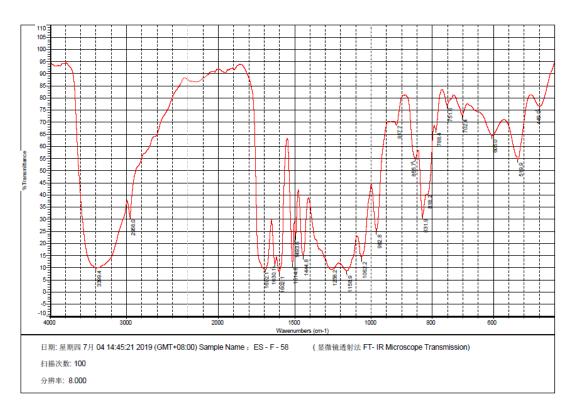
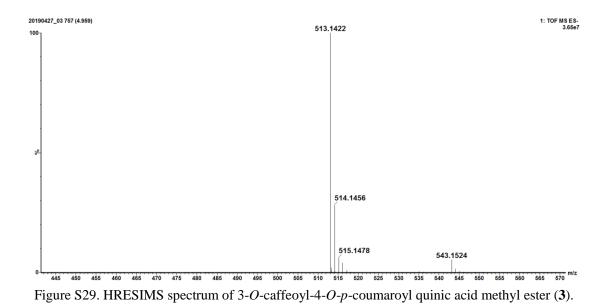


Figure S28. IR spectrum of 3-O-caffeoyl-4-O-p-coumaroyl quinic acid methyl ester (3).



NO.	1		2		3	
	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{ m C}$	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{ m C}$	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{ m C}$
1		134.2		75.8		75.8
2α	6.71 d (2.1)	119.2	2.27 m	38.6	2.24 dd (4.3, 13.9)	38.5
2β					2.29 dd (8.5, 13.9)	
3		146.4	5.55 m	69.1	5.54 m	69.1
4		145.5	5.12 dd (2.9, 8.2)	75.0	5.12 dd (3.0, 8.1)	74.8
5	6.70 d (8.2)	116.4	4.36 m	68.6	4.36 m	68.6
6α	6.58 dd (2.1, 8.2)	114.9	2.10 dd (6.3, 14.0)	38.4	2.09 dd (6.5, 14.0)	38.4
6β			2.33 dd (3.2, 14.0)		2.34 dd (3.4, 14.0)	
7	3.40 t ( 8.6)	49.0		175.2		175.2
7-OCH <sub>3</sub>			3.73 s	53.1	3.73 s	53.1
8	3.27 t (8.6)	45.9				
9		174.3				
10	4.18 m	62.1				
11	1.25 t (7.1)	14.5				
1′		134.2		127.7		127.1
2'	6.71 d (2.1)	119.2	7.43 d (8.2)	131.3	7.02 d (2.0)	115.1
3'		146.4	6.79 d (8.2 )	116.8		146.8
4′		145.5		161.4		149.8
5'	6.70 d (8.2)	116.4	6.79 d (8.2 )	116.8	6.76 d (8.2)	116.5
6′	6.59 dd (2.1, 8.2)	114.9	7.43 d (8.2)	131.3	6.92 d d (2.0, 8.2)	123.1
7′	3.40 t (8.6)	49.2	7.58 d (15.9)	147.3	7.51 d (15.9)	147.7
8′	3.27 t (8.6)	46.2	6.25 d (15.9)	114.6	6.18 d (15.9)	114.5
9′		174.8		167.9		167.9
9'-OCH <sub>3</sub>	3.71 s	52.6				
1‴				127.0		127.5
2''			7.04 d (2.0)	115.2	7.45 d (8.2)	131.3
3''				146.8	6.79 d (8.2)	116.8
4′′				149.7		161.4
5''			6.76 d (8.2)	116.5	6.79 d (8.2)	116.8
6''			6.94 dd (2.0, 8.2)	123.1	7.45 d (8.2)	131.3
7''			7.61 d (15.9)	147.7	7.68 d (15.9)	147.3
8″			6.30 d (15.9)	114.7	6.37 d (15.9)	114.8
9″				168.5		168.4

Table S1. <sup>1</sup>H (600 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz) data of compounds 1, 2 and 3 in CD<sub>3</sub>OD.

NO.	1	4		5	5	
	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{ m C}$	$\delta_{ m H}$	$\delta_{ m C}$	
1			131.9		132.3	
2	6.80 d (2.2)	6.64 d (2.1)	114.1	6.65 d (2.2)	114.1	
3			144.4		145.2	
4			145.3		144.3	
5	6.76 d (8.1)	6.66 d (8.1)	115.6	6.64 d (8.2)	115.5	
6	6.65 dd (2.2, 8.1)	6.51 dd (2.1, 8.1)	117.6	6.50 dd (2.2, 8.2	117.5	
7	3.46 t (9.5)	3.30 dd like	47.2	3.28 dd like	47.0	
8	3.25 t (9.5)	3.19 dd like	44.2	3.06 dd like	44.4	
9			172.5		172.7	
9-OCH <sub>3</sub>		3.64 s	52.0			
10	4.15 m					
11	1.22 t (7.1)					
1′			131.9		132.2	
2'	6.81 d (2.2)	6.64 d (2.1)	114.1	6.66 d(2.2)	114.1	
3'			144.4		145.3	
4'			145.3		144.4	
5'	6.77 d (8.1)	6.66 d (8.1)	115.6	6.64 d (8.2)	115.6	
6′	6.66 dd (2.2, 8.1)	6.51 dd (2.1, 8.1)	117.6	6.51 dd (2.2, 8.2)	117.6	
7′	3.47 t (9.5)	3.30 dd like	47.2	3.28 dd like	47.2	
8'	3.26 t (9.5)	3.19 dd like	44.2	3.06 dd like	44.8	
9′			172.5		173.7	
9′-OCH	3.68 s	3.64 s	52.0	3.64 s	51.9	

**Table S2.** <sup>1</sup>H (500 MHz) data of compound **1** in  $CD_3COCD_3$ , and <sup>1</sup>H (600 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz) data of compounds **4** and **5** in  $CD_3OD$ .

Table S3. Inhibition of compounds 1–5 on the NO production in LPS-activated RAW264.7 cells.

Compounds	$\mathrm{IC}_{50}(\mu\mathrm{M})^{\mathrm{a}}$
1	$12.93\pm0.27$
2	$77.80\pm2.32$
3	$71.28 \pm 1.71$
4	$11.85\pm0.31$
5	$20.62\pm0.43$
<i>L</i> -NAME <sup>b</sup>	$35.96\pm0.90$

 $^{\mathrm{a}}$  All data are present as the mean of  $\mathrm{IC}_{50}$  values with the standard deviation from the triplicate

measurement.

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-	Compounds	cell viability vs control (%)	_
	1	$88.39\pm2.64$	
	2	$92.74\pm3.55$	
	3	$95.36\pm2.31$	
	4	$90.58\pm3.27$	
_	5	$91.18 \pm 1.28$	_

<sup>b</sup> N-Nitro-L-arginine methyl ester hydrochloride (*L*-NAME) is an A medicine to diminish NO.

Table S4. Effects of compounds 1–5 (100  $\mu$ M) on RAW264.7 cells viability.