

## Supporting Information

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# Phytochemical Changes in Aerial Parts of *Hypericum perforatum* at Different Harvest Stages

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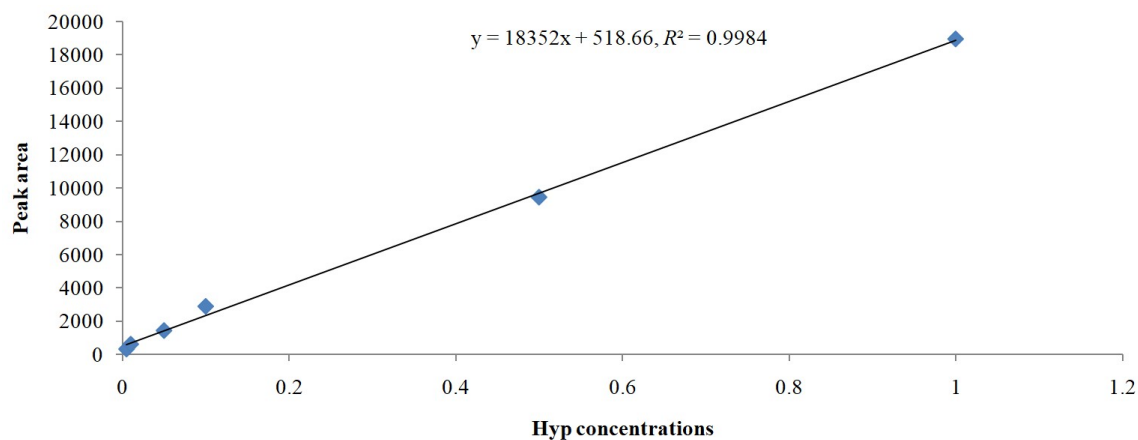
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**Figure S1:** Different harvest stages of *H. perforatum*

Standard solution of Hyp (56690; Sigma, USA) was prepared at the concentration of 2.0 mg/mL in a methanol and then diluted with methanol to six concentration points including: 1.0, 0.5, 0.1, 0.05, 0.01 and 0.005 mg/mL. A calibration curve was calculated for the quantification using the concentration as  $x$ -axis and the peak area as  $y$ -axis, the equation for the calibration curve using linear regression analysis was  $y=18352x + 518.66$  ( $R^2=0.998$ ). The lowest-concentration quantification (LOQ) that can be determined was 0.001 mg/mL at 254 nm with the injection volume 20  $\mu$ L.



**Figure S2:** Calibration curve of linear regression of Hyp at different concentrations

**Table S1:** Antioxidant capacity of extracts from aerial parts of *H. perforatum* at different harvest stages, evaluated by DPPH and FRAP assays

Harvest stages	95% ethanol			15% ethanol		
	Stem	Leaf	Flower	Stem	Leaf	Flower
FBS	88.77±6.55 <sup>Aa</sup>	87.54±8.57 <sup>Aa</sup>	91.58±0.32 <sup>Aa</sup>	30.38±1.96 <sup>Ba</sup>	18.75±8.57 <sup>Ba</sup>	24.91±8.00 <sup>Bb</sup>
DPPH BS	87.69±4.20 <sup>Aa</sup>	91.47±0.29 <sup>Aa</sup>	92.30±0.16 <sup>Aa</sup>	23.90±4.76 <sup>Ca</sup>	18.86±7.79 <sup>Ca</sup>	37.04±1.40 <sup>Ba</sup>
FSS	79.91±14.20 <sup>Aa</sup>	53.96±3.62 <sup>Bb</sup>	55.72±3.46 <sup>Bb</sup>	24.98±8.26 <sup>Ca</sup>	11.81±1.08 <sup>Ca</sup>	17.17±7.43 <sup>Cb</sup>
FRAP FBS	13447.37 ±2580.96 <sup>Ba</sup>	20078.95 ±7769.71 <sup>Aa</sup>	20956.14 ±2276.94 <sup>Aa</sup>	3008.77 ±955.13 <sup>Ca</sup>	2622.81 ±1014.55 <sup>Ca</sup>	4736.84 ±1277.33 <sup>Cab</sup>
BS	13219.30 ±1243.36 <sup>Ca</sup>	16701.75 ±2013.52 <sup>Bab</sup>	21666.67 ±1093.40 <sup>Aa</sup>	2921.05 ±569.91 <sup>Ea</sup>	2570.18 ±66.23 <sup>Ea</sup>	5491.23 ±720.85 <sup>Da</sup>
FSS	11385.96 ±1488.96 <sup>Aa</sup>	10043.86 ±1548.91 <sup>ABbc</sup>	9482.46 ±478.29 <sup>Bb</sup>	2385.96 ±1012.50 <sup>Ca</sup>	1745.61 ±427.85 <sup>Ca</sup>	2228.07 ±226.89 <sup>Ca</sup>

Note: Different lowercase letters indicate significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  for different harvest stages within the same tissue component. Different uppercase letters indicate significant difference at  $P < 0.05$  for different tissue components and solvents within the same harvest stage. The same as below.

**Table S2:** Aerial parts dry weight of *H. perforatum* at different harvest stages

Harvest stages	Stem	Leaf	Flower
FBS	8.92±0.28 <sup>a</sup>	5.61±0.15 <sup>a</sup>	0.43±0.03 <sup>b</sup>
BS	8.57±0.22 <sup>a</sup>	5.34±0.19 <sup>a</sup>	1.06±0.03 <sup>a</sup>
FSS	7.94±0.19 <sup>b</sup>	4.52±0.12 <sup>b</sup>	0.08±0.01 <sup>c</sup>

**Table S3:** Hypericin (Hyp) content in aerial parts at different harvest stages

Harvest stages	Stem	Leaf	Flower
mg/g dry weight FBS	0.088 ± 0.004 <sup>a</sup>	0.881 ± 0.016 <sup>a</sup>	3.204 ± 0.095 <sup>b</sup>
BS	0.080 ± 0.002 <sup>a</sup>	0.453 ± 0.018 <sup>b</sup>	3.440 ± 0.081 <sup>a</sup>
FSS	0.035 ± 0.011 <sup>b</sup>	0.227 ± 0.008 <sup>c</sup>	2.846 ± 0.978 <sup>c</sup>
mg/ plant FBS	0.781 ± 0.038 <sup>a</sup>	4.944 ± 0.091 <sup>a</sup>	1.378 ± 0.041 <sup>b</sup>
BS	0.690 ± 0.017 <sup>b</sup>	2.418 ± 0.099 <sup>b</sup>	3.646 ± 0.086 <sup>a</sup>
FSS	0.278 ± 0.083 <sup>c</sup>	1.025 ± 0.035 <sup>c</sup>	0.228 ± 0.008 <sup>c</sup>

**Table S4:** Flavonoids content in aerial parts at different harvest stages

Harvest stages	Stem	Leaf	Flower
mg/g dry weight FBS	34.70 ± 2.00 <sup>a</sup>	39.32 ± 1.65 <sup>a</sup>	49.80 ± 0.33 <sup>b</sup>
BS	31.65 ± 1.71 <sup>b</sup>	34.63 ± 1.34 <sup>b</sup>	56.68 ± 1.97 <sup>a</sup>
FSS	29.63 ± 0.65 <sup>b</sup>	19.00 ± 1.65 <sup>c</sup>	25.87 ± 0.67 <sup>c</sup>
mg/ plant FBS	309.52 ± 17.82 <sup>a</sup>	202.83 ± 24.74 <sup>a</sup>	21.41 ± 0.14 <sup>b</sup>
BS	271.24 ± 14.64 <sup>b</sup>	184.94 ± 7.14 <sup>ab</sup>	60.08 ± 2.09 <sup>a</sup>
FSS	235.29 ± 5.18 <sup>c</sup>	85.88 ± 7.47 <sup>b</sup>	2.07 ± 0.05 <sup>c</sup>

**Table S5:** Polyphenols content in aerial parts at different harvest stages

Harvest stages	Stem	Leaf	Flower
mg/g dry weight FBS	63.40 ± 3.09 <sup>a</sup>	83.77 ± 3.65 <sup>a</sup>	91.45 ± 2.61 <sup>b</sup>
BS	56.09 ± 1.30 <sup>b</sup>	69.99 ± 3.47 <sup>b</sup>	97.03 ± 1.58 <sup>a</sup>
FSS	51.54 ± 1.12 <sup>c</sup>	44.80 ± 0.83 <sup>c</sup>	52.8 ± 0.73 <sup>c</sup>
mg/ plant FBS	565.51 ± 27.53 <sup>a</sup>	469.94 ± 20.46 <sup>a</sup>	39.32 ± 1.12 <sup>b</sup>
BS	480.71 ± 11.18 <sup>b</sup>	373.73 ± 18.55 <sup>b</sup>	102.85 ± 1.67 <sup>a</sup>
FSS	409.20 ± 8.91 <sup>c</sup>	202.51 ± 3.73 <sup>c</sup>	4.22 ± 0.06 <sup>c</sup>