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# COMPOSITION

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## Balanced nutrient composition

- > Good quality of proteins (47%) and lipids ~19%)
- > Source of essential amino acids (~1/3 of total amount)
- > Adequate fatty acid profile (~49% PUFAs)
- > EPA represents ~43% of total fatty acids, and ~5% dry weight
- > Ratio w6/w3<1

## Bioactive micronutrients

- > Carotenoids: b-carotene (0.10 mg/g), zeaxanthin (0.16 mg/g), astaxanthin (up to 7% dw); antioxidant and antiinflammatory properties
- > Chlorophyll a (~2 mg/g); antioxidant properties
- > Polyphenolic compounds (~38 ppm): quercetin, caffeoyl gluco side, protocatechuic acid, caffeic acid, feruloyl glucaric acid; antioxidant properties
- > Vitamin C (2.4 mg/g) and E (0.4 mg/g); antioxidant properties

## Bioactive compounds with antiproliferative/ cytotoxic properties:

- > Trihydroxyanthraquinone
- > Heteronemin
- > Iasonolide G
- > Sitoindoside IX
- > Withalongolide J
- > Physapubenolide

## Bioactive compounds with antiinflammatory properties:

- > Asperulosidic acid
- > Klymollin E

## Bioactive compounds with antibiotic properties:

- > Petrosynone
- > Monensin B





# OXIDATIVE STRESS & GADITANA

## ROS Overproduction ↓

### Metabolic byproducts

- > Xantina oxidases
- > NO synthetase
- > Mitochondria

### Enzymatic synthesis

- > NADPH oxidases

### Cellular respiration

- > Mitochondrial semi-ubiquinone

### Physical/Chemical

- > Radiation
- > Pollution
- > Heat

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### Enzymatic defences

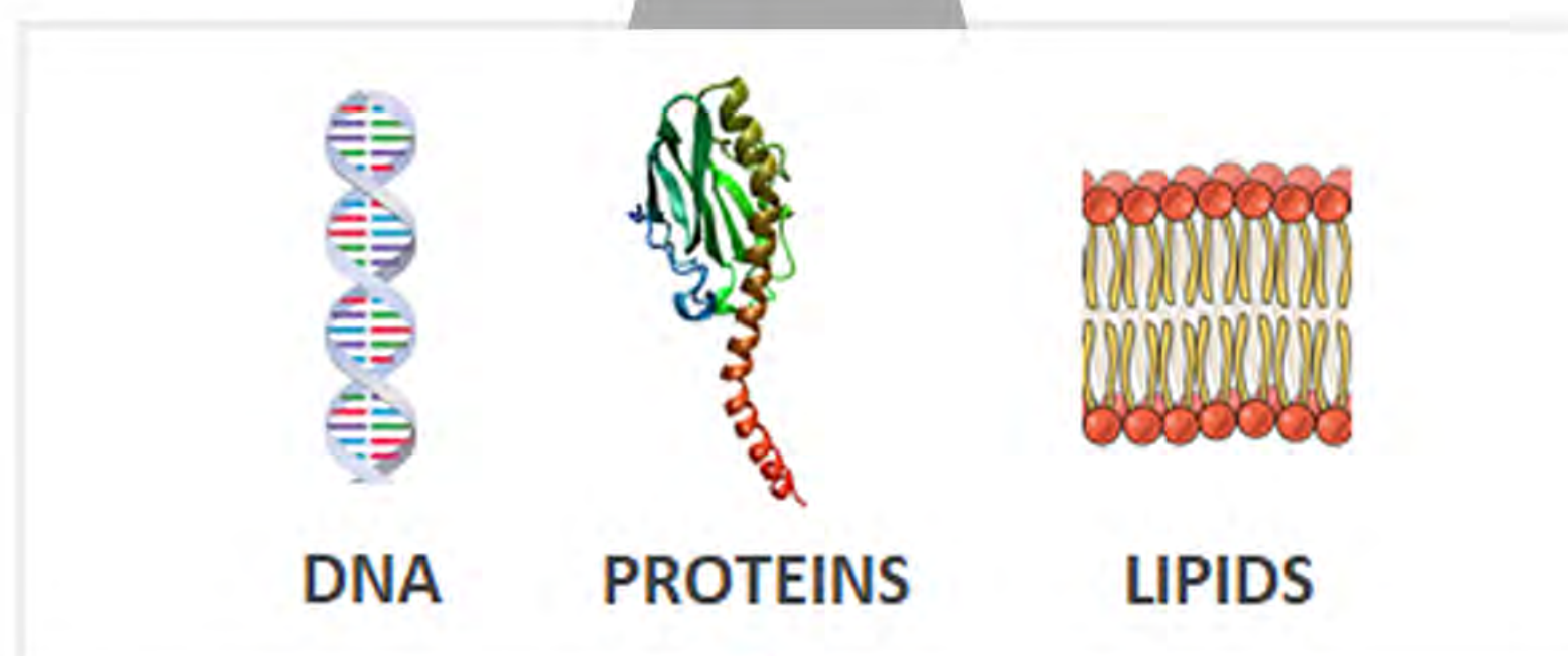
- > SOD, CAT, GPx
- > TXN
- > PRX
- > GSH pathway

### Non-Enzymatic scavengers

- > Vitamins (C, E)
- > Carotenoids
- > Polyphenols

## Antioxidant defences ↓

## Oxidative Stress ↓



**Cell Injuries → Tissue Damages → DISEASES**

Living organisms on Earth are exposed during lifetime to oxygen, sunlight, and a range of different chemicals present in atmosphere, soil, and water. Moreover, apart from these exogenous environmental factors, endogenously produced chemical and metabolites often perturb cellular and organismal functions. To cope with such perturbations, we all display defence mechanisms specialized in an individual stress to respond to the stress for adaptation and maintenance of homeostasis. All cells produce reactive oxygen species (ROS) as a consequence of the own metabolic processes, the superoxide anion being the precursor of all other ROS.

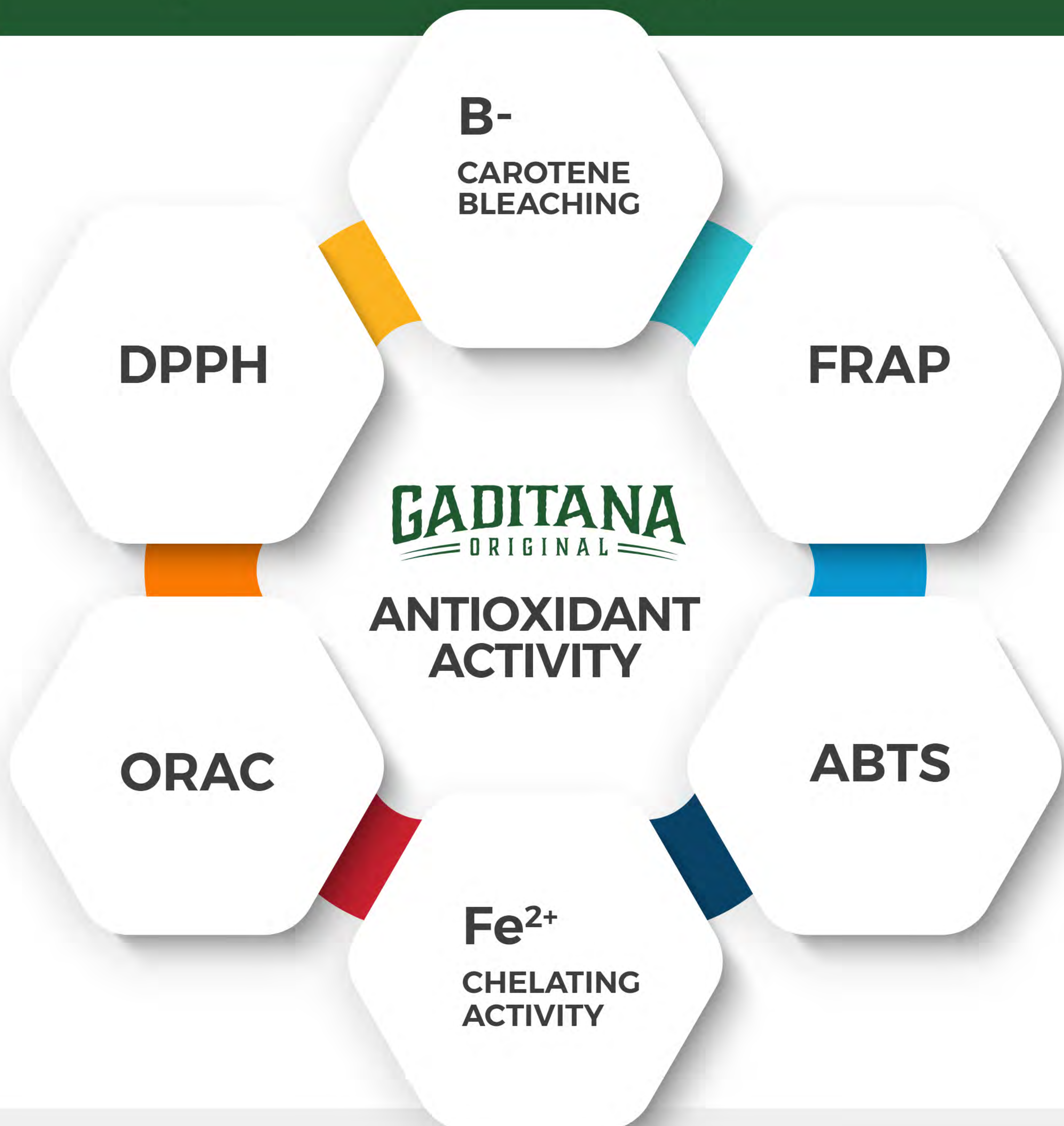
The three main in vivo sources for superoxide anion are the mitochondrial respiratory chain complexes, the nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate-oxidase, and xanthine oxidases. Ultimately, ROS can provoke damages in proteins, lipids, and DNA when antioxidant capabilities are overwhelmed by the burden of ROS, and this state is known as **oxidative stress**.



# GADITANA is a DIRECT antioxidant



In vitro testing: Demonstrated free-radical scavenging activity to combat oxidative damage



**DPPH** 2,2-Diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl

**FRAP** Ferric Reducing Antioxidant Power

**ORAC** Oxygen Radical Absorbance Capacity

**ABTS** 2,2'-azino-bis(3-ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulfonic acid)



**Direct antioxidant:** Demonstrated free-radical scavenging activity to combat oxidative stress by in vitro testing

## **B-CAROTENE BLEACHING**

Percentage: 96.55 (Millao and Uquiche, 2016)

## **DPPH ASSAY**

IC<sub>50</sub> (µg/ml extract): 365 (Maadane et al., 2015)

µg TE/g: 254.6 (Martinez et al., 2022)

mmol TE/Kg oil: 1.8 (Millao and Uquiche, 2016)

IC<sub>50</sub> (mg/ml extract): 2.02 (Kherraf et al., 2017)

IC<sub>50</sub> (mg/ml extract): 44.37 (Mekdade et al., 2016)

IC<sub>50</sub> (µg/ml extract): 400 (Haoujar et al., 2019)

## **ORAC**

IC<sub>50</sub> (µg/ml extract): 0.026 (Maadane et al., 2015)

## **Fe<sup>2+</sup> CHELATING ACTIVITY**

IC<sub>50</sub> (mg/ml extract): 3.52 (Haoujar et al., 2019)

## **ABTS**

µg GAE/g: 193.68 (Martinez et al., 2022)

IC<sub>50</sub> (mg/ml extract): 0.336 (Letsiou et al., 2017)

## **FRAP ASSAY**

Units OD (5 mg/ml extract): 0.414 (Kherraf et al., 2017)

µM AAE/mg: 2.76 (Letsiou et al., 2017)

IC<sub>50</sub> (mg/ml extract): 15.5 (Mekdade et al., 2016)

AAE/ml extract: 32.71 (Haoujar et al., 2019)

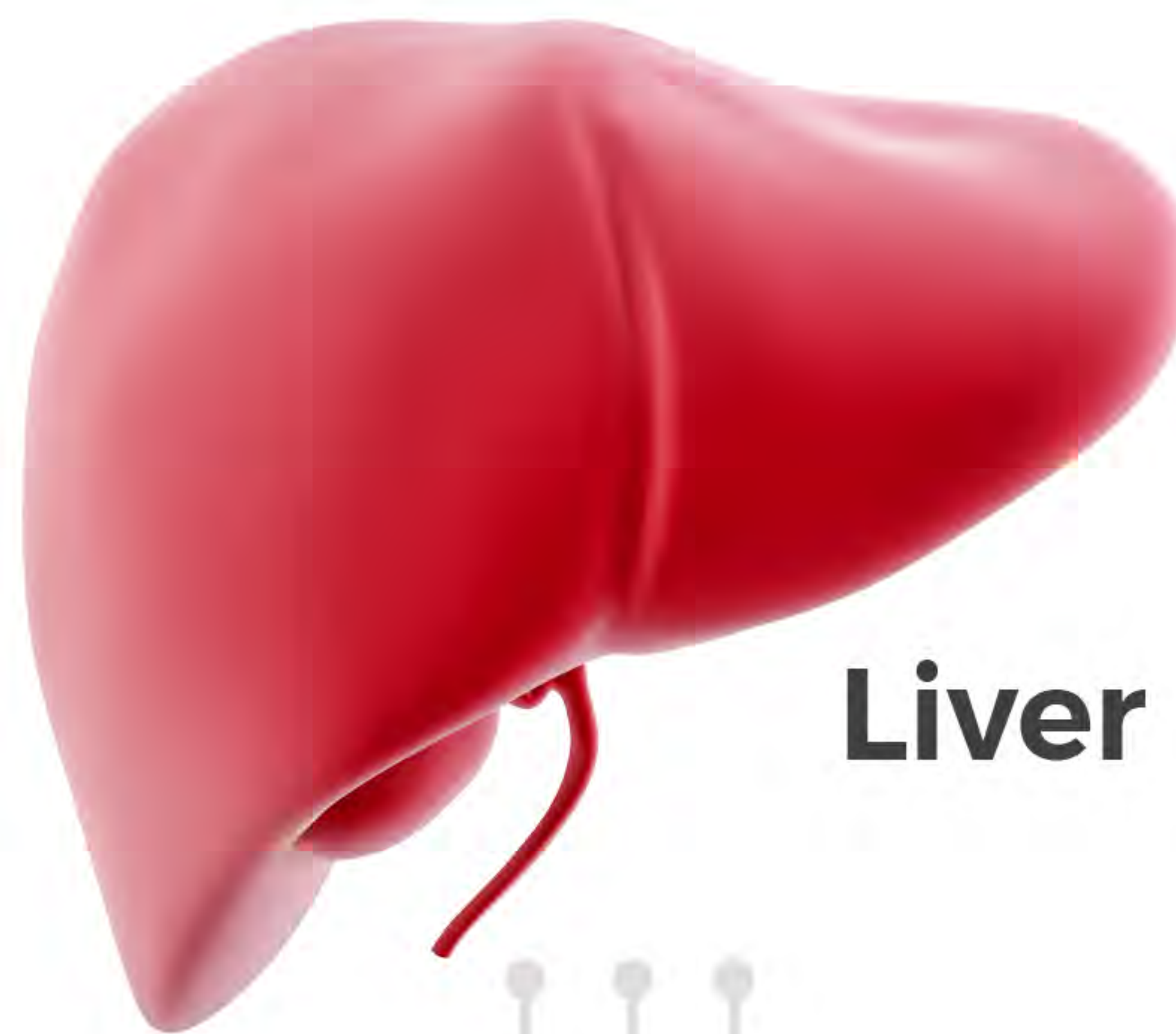
mmol Fe(II)/Kg oil: 85.52 (Millao and Uquiche, 2016)



# GADITANA is a INDIRECT antioxidant

In vivo testing: Demonstrated activation of cellular antioxidant mechanisms in animal models

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Liver

**Increase  
antioxidant  
enzyme activities**

Nacer et al., 2020  
Martínez et al., 2022



**Decrease  
MDA & carbonyl  
proteins**

Nacer et al., 2020

**Increase  
GSH content**

Nacer et al., 2020

MDA: Malondialdehyde, biomarker of lipid peroxidation  
Carbonyl proteins: Biomarker of protein oxidation  
GSH: Reduced Glutathione



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**Plasma (P)  
Erythrocytes (E)**

**Increase  
GSH content (E)**

Nacer et al., 2019

**Increase  
antioxidant  
enzyme activities  
(P&E)**

Nacer et al., 2019



**Decrease  
MDA & carbonyl  
proteins (P&E)**

Nacer et al., 2019

**Increase  
Vitamin C  
content (E)**

Nacer et al., 2019



**In vivo testing: Demonstrated hypolipidemic effects in animal models**

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**Plasma**

**Decrease in VLDL-C & LDL-C**

Nacer et al., 2019

**Increase in HDL-C**

Nacer et al., 2019

Martínez et al., 2022

**Decrease in cholesterol**

Nacer et al., 2020

**Decrease in triglycerides**

Nacer et al., 2020



**Liver, Pancreas, Adipose tissue**

**Decrease in total cholesterol**

Nacer et al., 2019

**Decrease in triglycerides**

Nacer et al., 2019

Bendimerad-Benmokhtar et al., 2019

**Increase in LPL activity**

Nacer et al., 2019



**Liver**

**Decrease in fat content**

Martínez et al., 2022



**VLDL-C:** very low density lipoprotein-cholesterol

**LDL-C:** low density lipoprotein-cholesterol

**HDL-C:** high density lipoprotein-cholesterol

**LPL:** Lipoprotein lipase is an enzyme that degrades circulating triglycerides in the bloodstream. These triglycerides are embedded in very low-density lipoproteins (VLDL) and chylomicrons traveling through the bloodstream. Fatty acids liberated from the triglycerides are then used for storage in adipose tissue or fuel in skeletal or cardiac muscle.



**In vivo testing: Demonstrated hypolipidemic effects in animal models**

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**Plasma**

## **Decrease in glucose levels**

Nacer et al., 2019

Nacer et al., 2020

Martínez et al., 2022

Nacer et al., 2019

Bendimerad- Benmokhtar et al., 2019

## **Decrease in glycated hemoglobin**

Nacer et al., 2019

Nacer et al., 2020

**In vivo testing:  
Demonstrated  
hepatoprotective effect  
in an animal model**

## **Decrease in serum levels of ALT, AST, ALP, and LDH**

Nacer et al., 2020





# DEMONSTRATED anti-inflammatory effect

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### In vivo (animal model)

Decrease in serum levels  
of IL-6 and TNFa

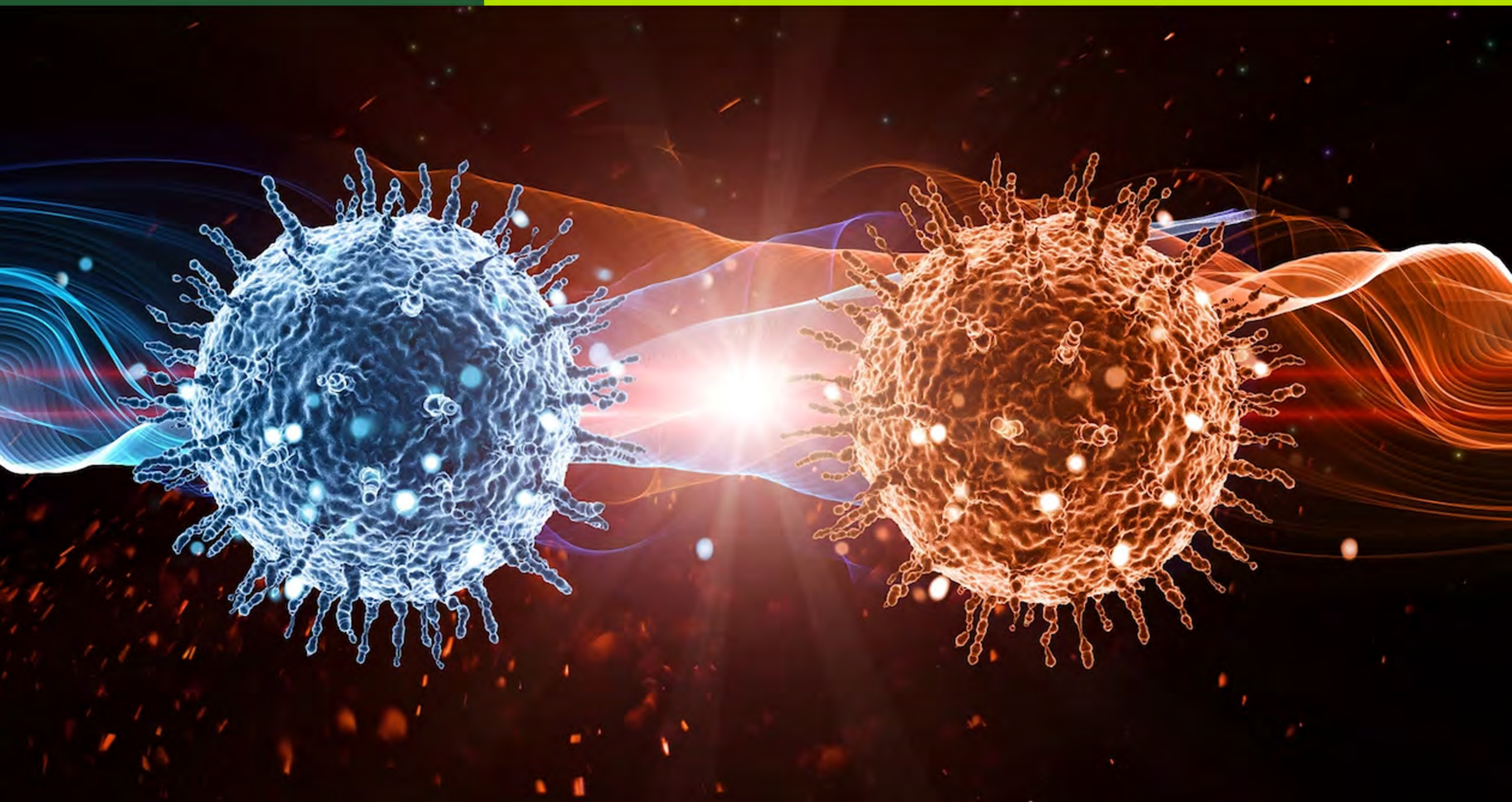
Martínez et al., 2022

### In vitro

Inhibited production of  
TNFa induced by LPS in  
differentiated  
macrophages

de los Reyes et al., 2014

- IL-6 (Interleukin 6) and TNFa (Tumor Necrosis Factor alpha) are two of the major pro-inflammatory cytokines





# In vitro: Demonstrated anti-proliferative effect in tumor cells

## **Caco-2**

(human colorectal adenocarcinoma)

Carrasco-Reinado et al., 2021

## **UACC-62**

(human skin melanoma)

Ávila-Román et al., 2016

## **HepG2**

(human liver cancer)

Carrasco-Reinado et al., 2021

## **HCT-116**

(human colon cancer)

Castejón and Marko, 2016

## **T84**

(human colorectal carcinoma)

Martínez et al., 2022

## **HT-29**

(human colon cancer)

Ávila-Román et al., 2016

## **A549**

(adenocarcinomic human alveolar basal epithelial cells)

Martínez et al., 2022

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# Other potential bioactivities exhibited by in vitro testing

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### Anti-steatotic effect

Anti-steatotic effect  
Prevented the accumulation of triglycerides induced by palmitic acid in cultured hepatocytes (AML-12 cells)

(González-Arceo et al., 2023)

### Skin protection against oxidative damage

Increased cell viability under oxidative stress in NHDF cells

(Letsiou et al., 2017)

### Anti-hypertensive effect

Inhibition of ACE-1

(de los Reyes et al., 2014)

**ACE-1** is a key enzyme that helps to regulate the salt-water balance and blood pressure within the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system. It converts Ang-I in Ang-II, which is considered the main active peptide, which acts on target tissues and regulates blood pressure through renal reabsorption of sodium and water and systemic vasoconstriction.

**NHDF:** Normal Human Dermal Fibroblasts





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### **Antioxidant effect**

Up-regulation of GPX1 and FOXO3 genes in NHDF cells

(Letsiou et al., 2017)

### **Immunomodulatory effect**

Up-regulation of FOXO3 and KLF2 genes in NHDF cells

(Letsiou et al., 2017)

### **Anti-adipogenic effect**

Up-regulation of KLF2 gene in NHDF cells

(Letsiou et al., 2017)

### **Anti-inflammatory effect**

Up-regulation of FOXO3, KLF2, and IL-1R genes in NHDF cells

(Letsiou et al., 2017)







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