

Table S1. Operating parameters for HPLC/ICP-DRC-MS and ESI-MS/MS

|             | <b>Parameter</b>                    | <b>Setting</b>  |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| ICP-MS      | Instrument                          | PE Sciex ELAN 6100 DRC II   |
|             | RF Power                            | 1100-1200 W   |
|             | Nebulizer gas (Ar) flow rate        | 0.87-0.93 L min <sup>-1</sup>   |
|             | Auxilary gas (Ar) flow rate         | 1.20 L min <sup>-1</sup>  |
|             | Plasma gas (Ar) flow rate           | 16 L min <sup>-1</sup>  |
|             | Sampler and skimmer cones           | Pt  |
|             | Lens voltage                        | 7.0 - 9.5 V   |
|             | Detector mode                       | Dual  |
|             | Data collection mode                | <sup>91</sup> AsO, <sup>52</sup> Cr, <sup>121</sup> Sb  |
|             | Scan mode                           | Peak hopping  |
|             | DRC gas (O <sub>2</sub> ) flow rate | 0.55 mL min <sup>-1</sup>   |
|             | Rpq                                 | 0.55  |
|             | Rpa                                 | 0   |
|             | Instrument                          | PE series 200 HPLC pump<br>PE series 225 HPLC<br>autosampler<br>PE series 200 column oven<br>PE series 200 UV detector                |
| HPLC        | Column                              | Hamilton PRP-X100   |
|             | Elution                             | Gradient  |
|             | Mobile phase content                | EDTA disodium salt, ammonium nitrate  |
|             | Concentration of mobile phase       | 0.003 mol L <sup>-1</sup> EDTANa <sub>2</sub> ,<br>0.036 mol L <sup>-1</sup> NH <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>                          |
|             | pH of mobile phase                  | Eluent A: 4.6; Eluent B: 9.0  |
|             | Mobile phase flow rate              | 1.2 mL min <sup>-1</sup>  |
|             | Injection volume                    | 100 μL  |
|             | Column temperature                  | 25°C  |
| Procedure 1 | Column                              | Hamilton PRP-X100   |
|             | Elution                             | Isocratic   |
|             | Mobile phase content                | ammonium dihydrogen phosphate, ammonium nitrate   |
|             | Concentration of mobile phase       | 0.01 mol L <sup>-1</sup> NH <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> ,<br>0.01 mol L <sup>-1</sup> NH <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub> |
|             | pH of mobile phase                  | 9.2   |
|             | Mobile phase flow rate              | 1.2 mL min <sup>-1</sup>  |
|             | Injection volume                    | 100 μL  |
|             | Column temperature                  | 25°C  |
| Procedure 2 | Column                              | Superdex 75 10/300 GL SEC   |
|             | Elution                             | Isocratic   |
|             | Mobile phase content                | sodium dihydrogen phosphate, sodium chloride  |
|             | Concentration of mobile phase       | 0.05 mol L <sup>-1</sup> NH <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> ,<br>0.03 mol L <sup>-1</sup> NaCl                            |
|             | pH of mobile phase                  | 5.2   |
|             | Mobile phase flow rate              | 0.55 mL min <sup>-1</sup>   |
|             | Injection volume                    | 100 μL  |
|             | Column temperature                  | 25°C  |
| Procedure 3 | Column                              | Superdex 75 10/300 GL SEC   |
|             | Elution                             | Isocratic   |
|             | Mobile phase content                | sodium dihydrogen phosphate, sodium chloride  |
|             | Concentration of mobile phase       | 0.05 mol L <sup>-1</sup> NH <sub>4</sub> H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> ,<br>0.03 mol L <sup>-1</sup> NaCl                            |
|             | pH of mobile phase                  | 5.2   |
|             | Mobile phase flow rate              | 0.55 mL min <sup>-1</sup>   |
|             | Injection volume                    | 100 μL  |
|             | Column temperature                  | 25°C  |

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| ESI-MS/MS<br>Procedure 4 | Instrument                               | Q-Exactive Orbitrap MS Thermo Fisher |
|                          | Syringe pump flow rate                   | 5 $\mu\text{l min}^{-1}$             |
|                          | Ion source                               | HESI -II                             |
|                          | Sheath gas ( $\text{N}_2$ ) flow rate    | 15 units                             |
|                          | Auxiliary gas ( $\text{N}_2$ ) flow rate | 5 units                              |
|                          | Auxiliary gas temperature                | 120 °C                               |
|                          | Electrospray Voltage                     | -2.5 kV                              |
|                          | Ion transfer tube temperature            | 250 °C                               |
|                          | S-lens RF                                | 50                                   |
|                          | Collision energy                         | 30 eV                                |

\*ICP-MS – inductively coupled plasma spectrometry; HPLC - high performance liquid chromatography; ESI-MS/MS - electrospray ionization tandem mass spectrometry; DRC – dynamic reaction cell; Rpa - rejection parameter a; Rpq - rejection parameter q.