

Pharmacokinetic Study of Withanosides and Withanolides from *Withania somnifera* using Ultra-High Performance Liquid Chromatography-Tandem Mass Spectrometry (UHPLC-MS/MS)

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Analyte	Linear equation	Range (ng/mL)	r ²	LLOQ (ng/mL)
WSIV	$y = 0.8519229x + 0.02379023$	3.00 to 400.00	0.9976	3.00
WSV	$y = 2.828480x + 0.04256550$	3.00 to 400.00	0.9917	3.00
WFA	$y = 5.841658x + 0.1158392$	3.00 to 400.00	0.9958	3.00
WSL	$y = 2751826x + 0.03420022$	3.00 to 400.00	0.9972	3.00
WLA	$y = 1.731572x + 0.02476672$	3.00 to 400.00	0.9949	3.00
WLB	$y = 3.981638x + 0.02096910$	3.00 to 400.00	0.9946	3.00
WNO	$y = 15.34367x + 0.06067664$	3.00 to 400.00	0.9971	3.00

*WSIV-withanoside IV; WSV-withanoside V; WFA- withaferin A; WSL-12-Deoxy-withastrammonolide; WLA-withanolide A; WLB-withanolide B; WNO-withanone; r²-correlation coefficient; LLOQ-lower limit of quantification.

Table S2. Intra and inter-day precision and accuracies of the analytes in rat plasma samples, (ng/mL).

Analyte	Nominal concentration (ng/mL)	Intra-day 01 (n = 6)		Intra-day 02 (n = 6)		Intra-day 03 (n = 6)		Inter-day (n = 6x3)	
		Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)
WSIV	3.00	6.17	7.94	7.34	1.39	4.21	10.78	4.51	6.67
	10.05	3.81	7.35	2.36	-7.97	1.83	8.20	8.91	2.53
	75.50	4.21	-7.94	4.25	-0.82	1.64	9.70	8.85	0.31
	200.50	3.66	4.25	3.82	0.69	0.79	11.61	5.28	5.52
WSV	3.00	3.48	-2.61	3.36	-13.00	3.19	10.22	11.90	-1.78
	10.05	4.19	-3.77	6.33	-1.88	7.59	9.82	7.27	1.37
	75.50	2.83	1.87	3.84	2.17	4.44	5.22	1.80	3.09
	200.50	3.86	4.15	3.93	-1.95	4.08	11.25	6.33	4.49
WFA	3.00	4.42	-4.17	8.58	-0.89	5.00	3.67	3.88	-0.44
	10.05	6.42	-3.92	7.57	-3.35	4.79	3.08	3.93	-1.37
	75.50	2.62	5.79	3.30	-5.58	3.64	5.33	6.32	1.85
	200.50	2.14	-6.25	2.76	-6.24	1.47	8.40	8.57	-1.37
WSL	3.30	3.25	0.38	8.26	-5.28	7.33	1.00	3.53	-1.33
	10.50	8.88	1.62	6.11	-8.68	3.18	1.73	6.09	-1.80
	76.00	5.44	9.06	2.21	-4.46	2.50	4.16	6.65	2.92
	201.50	3.03	-4.22	4.49	-5.39	1.79	8.67	7.82	-0.31
WLA	3.00	5.70	-6.61	7.02	-12.83	7.20	0.44	6.95	-6.33
	10.20	8.45	0.05	7.71	-1.88	3.64	5.35	3.73	1.20
	76.00	7.33	2.31	7.80	-1.07	2.67	4.76	2.87	2.00
	201.50	1.96	0.36	3.70	-2.20	3.46	5.04	3.63	1.07
WLB	3.00	4.55	1.28	7.53	5.28	5.13	0.11	2.72	2.22
	10.05	7.71	-3.55	4.96	-0.97	4.59	-1.13	0.32	-0.87
	75.50	5.29	-3.08	3.04	-5.28	2.96	-6.51	1.83	-4.96
	200.50	3.34	4.97	2.88	-9.04	3.46	-2.74	7.18	-2.27
WNO	3.06	5.52	-4.72	6.67	2.78	1.79	6.00	5.39	1.33
	10.20	7.76	-0.70	4.65	-2.23	3.66	9.47	6.23	2.20
	76.00	2.75	1.72	2.87	-5.14	4.03	5.57	5.38	0.72
	201.50	3.30	-3.83	2.79	-8.34	4.37	11.25	10.29	-0.31

* WSIV-withanoside IV; WSV-withanoside V; WFA- withaferin A; WSL-12-Deoxy-withastramololide; WLA-withanolide A; WLB-withanolide B; WNO-withanone; RSD-relative standard deviation; RE-relative error.

Table S3. Extraction recovery (ng/mL) of the constituents in rat plasma samples, ($n = 6$).

Analyte	Nominal concentration (ng/mL)	Extraction recovery (% \pm SD)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)
WSIV	10.05	95.38 \pm 3.64	2.49	6.58
	75.50	92.06 \pm 3.87	2.96	-0.90
	200.50	99.84 \pm 1.23	3.66	4.25
WSV	10.05	96.25 \pm 4.02	5.03	-0.87
	75.50	99.94 \pm 1.84	2.47	3.19
	200.50	99.67 \pm 5.07	3.25	-4.21
WFA	10.05	96.10 \pm 6.16	4.78	-5.80
	75.50	99.96 \pm 2.73	0.64	-1.97
	200.50	93.75 \pm 2.00	1.34	-1.91
WSL	10.50	98.28 \pm 4.76	8.15	0.98
	76.00	99.92 \pm 4.04	4.42	-0.90
	201.50	95.78 \pm 2.90	1.19	-1.19
WLA	10.20	96.73 \pm 6.67	5.72	1.35
	76.00	98.94 \pm 5.12	3.39	5.15
	201.50	98.96 \pm 2.85	2.80	-1.05
WLB	10.05	96.45 \pm 7.46	5.22	7.93
	75.50	96.92 \pm 5.13	4.93	2.18
	200.50	99.60 \pm 2.91	4.90	-0.55
WNO	10.20	99.29 \pm 7.70	3.30	-3.15
	76.00	99.71 \pm 1.63	2.08	-0.19
	201.50	96.16 \pm 3.17	1.60	-1.34

* WSIV-withanolide IV; WSV-withanolide V; WFA- withaferin A; WSL-12-Deoxy-withastramonolide; WLA-withanolide A; WLB-withanolide B; WNO-withanone; SD-standard deviation; RSD-relative standard deviation; RE-relative error.

Table S4. Matrix effect (ng/mL) for the determination of constituents in rat plasma samples, ($n = 6$).

Analyte	Nominal Concentration (ng/mL)	Matrix Effect (% \pm SD)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)
WSIV	10.05	85.61 \pm 2.79	3.26	11.05
	200.50	92.15 \pm 3.85	4.18	9.30
WSV	10.05	103.32 \pm 4.14	4.01	9.47
	200.50	100.71 \pm 5.09	5.06	6.79
WFA	10.05	87.96 \pm 8.74	9.93	10.12
	200.50	85.28 \pm 2.16	2.53	11.35
WSL	10.50	102.18 \pm 3.62	3.54	7.47
	201.50	101.51 \pm 1.87	1.84	8.93
WLA	10.20	97.53 \pm 13.21	13.55	1.28
	201.50	88.43 \pm 3.91	4.42	10.63
WLB	10.05	109.77 \pm 8.46	7.71	-9.50
	200.50	95.96 \pm 4.88	5.08	-5.12
WNO	10.20	105.61 \pm 5.60	5.30	-7.25
	201.50	86.12 \pm 2.22	2.57	7.52

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Table S5. Dilution integrity of analytes in 20-fold and 6-fold dilution (ng/mL), ($n = 6$).

Analyte	Nominal Concentration (ng/mL)	20-Fold Dilution (ng/mL)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	6-Fold Dilution (ng/mL)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)
WSIV	450.00	22.85±0.48	2.10	-8.58	66.60±3.04	4.56	-11.20
WSV		22.51±1.14	5.08	-9.94	66.41±1.60	2.41	-11.46
WFA		27.41±0.41	1.50	9.62	76.01±2.33	3.07	1.35
WSL		27.24±0.39	1.44	8.97	72.03±2.94	4.08	-3.96
WLA		22.49±0.76	3.39	-10.04	67.05±1.25	1.86	-10.6
WLB		27.64±0.52	1.87	10.58	79.37±1.70	2.15	5.82
WNO		27.01±0.86	3.18	8.04	71.73±1.98	2.76	-4.36

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Table S6. Stability assays for the determination of constituents in rat plasma samples, ($n = 6$).

Analyte	Nominal concentration (ng/mL)	Autosampler stability (% \pm SD)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	Freeze-thaw stability (% \pm SD)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	Bench top Stability (% \pm SD)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	Processed sample stability (% \pm SD)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)	Long-term stability (% \pm SD)	Precision (RSD, %)	Accuracy (RE, %)
WSIV	10.05	108.21 \pm 2.00	1.47	-0.59	104.78 \pm 5.59	5.33	4.78	104.41 \pm 4.84	5.91	6.70	104.41 \pm 4.84	5.22	6.02	10.21 \pm 0.62	6.03	2.10
	200.50	111.61 \pm 0.88	3.48	-2.19	98.95 \pm 5.47	5.53	-1.05	100.34 \pm 10.45	7.76	-1.94	101.10 \pm 9.54	8.09	-0.51	192.17 \pm 11.10	5.78	-3.92
WSV	10.05	109.83 \pm 8.35	6.15	11.78	105.13 \pm 6.95	6.60	5.13	99.58 \pm 8.68	10.05	0.60	134.85 \pm 90.10	9.84	-0.88	9.28 \pm 0.25	2.66	-7.22
	200.50	111.25 \pm 4.54	3.22	10.61	99.38 \pm 6.58	6.62	-0.62	91.74 \pm 8.97	6.26	-9.28	90.47 \pm 6.50	6.22	-9.07	183.24 \pm 10.63	5.80	-8.38
WFA	10.05	103.09 \pm 4.95	6.70	-0.93	103.41 \pm 5.62	5.42	3.41	103.30 \pm 8.41	8.02	-2.78	103.30 \pm 8.41	6.14	1.20	9.49 \pm 0.58	6.16	-5.12
	200.50	108.40 \pm 1.59	1.02	8.88	102.10 \pm 5.76	5.64	2.10	94.72 \pm 6.57	9.39	0.81	99.56 \pm 5.11	8.00	1.68	204.07 \pm 8.81	4.32	2.03
WSL	10.50	101.72 \pm 3.25	6.90	-2.75	101.34 \pm 8.37	8.25	1.34	97.92 \pm 7.04	8.93	-4.53	121.14 \pm 59.07	9.18	-5.15	9.46 \pm 0.73	7.74	-5.4
	201.50	108.67 \pm 1.94	1.53	8.57	97.78 \pm 4.28	4.37	-2.22	95.97 \pm 7.13	5.03	-1.58	92.99 \pm 8.83	8.41	-3.94	188.50 \pm 5.37	2.85	-5.75
WLA	10.20	105.35 \pm 3.83	3.16	8.55	102.18 \pm 6.01	5.88	2.19	102.00 \pm 7.99	7.00	4.57	128.43 \pm 68.06	8.04	2.98	10.48 \pm 0.59	5.63	4.78
	201.50	105.04 \pm 3.63	3.65	8.11	98.89 \pm 4.24	4.29	-1.11	103.63 \pm 6.10	6.41	1.06	99.36 \pm 6.79	5.82	-1.62	194.28 \pm 5.94	3.06	-2.86
WLB	10.05	98.84 \pm 4.54	6.39	-2.65	116.31 \pm 36.76	6.43	-0.12	95.51 \pm 5.04	6.21	-5.15	113.48 \pm 47.73	5.88	-2.88	9.50 \pm 0.55	5.76	-5.03
	200.50	97.26 \pm 3.36	6.22	4.36	93.48 \pm 6.55	7.00	-6.52	96.83 \pm 6.66	5.78	-2.52	95.01 \pm 5.83	4.61	-6.61	189.63 \pm 5.10	2.69	-5.19
WNO	10.20	109.47 \pm 4.01	7.81	3.48	104.24 \pm 7.98	7.81	3.00	96.31 \pm 6.27	10.95	-2.70	112.07 \pm 37.93	6.53	-1.47	9.76 \pm 0.69	7.09	-2.37
	201.50	111.25 \pm 4.86	4.4	8.64	98.14 \pm 4.74	4.83	-1.86	98.87 \pm 9.47	4.53	-2.12	99.56 \pm 4.91	5.37	-2.67	194.31 \pm 8.31	4.28	-2.84

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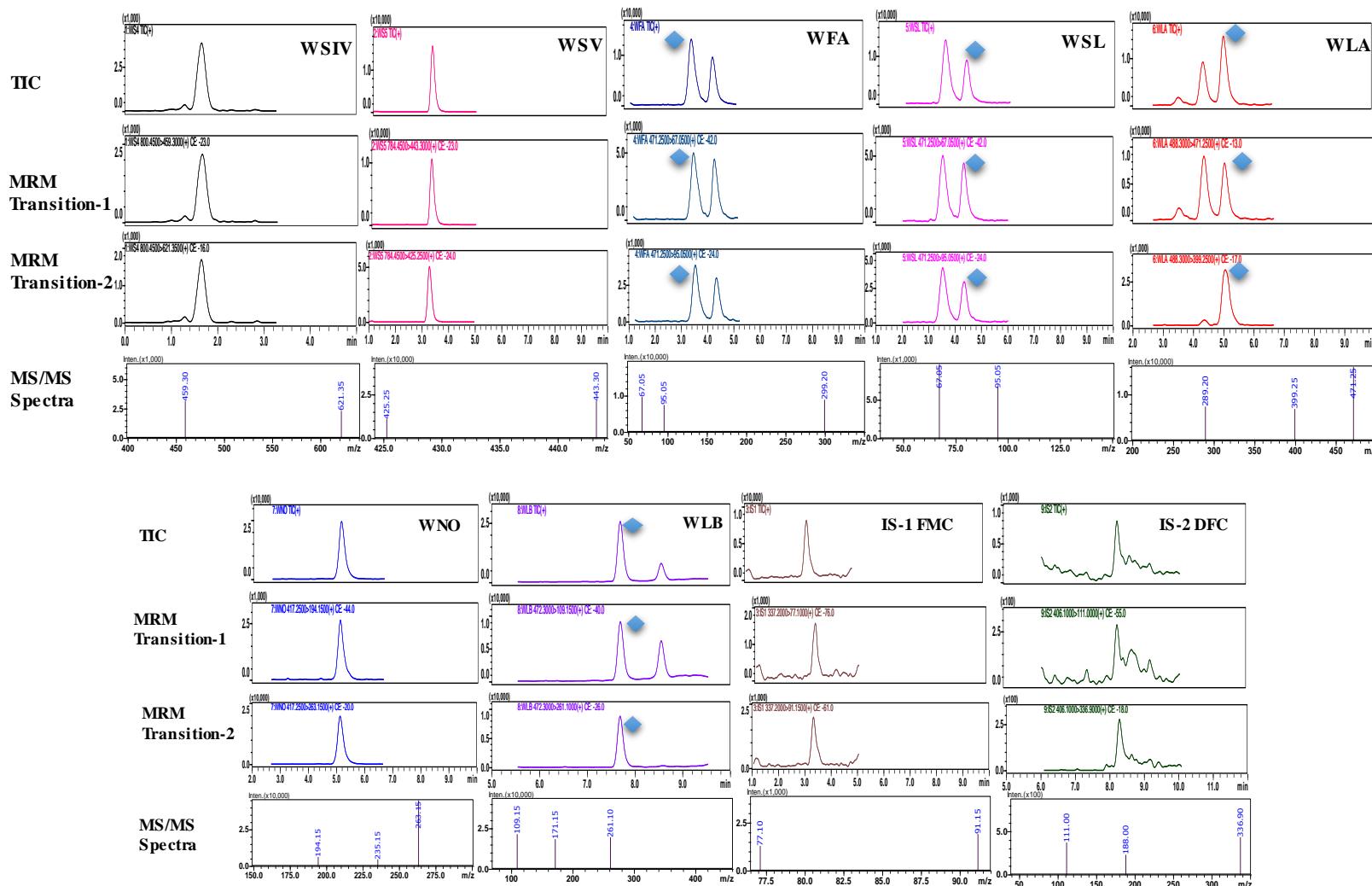


Figure S1. Typical MRM optimization with precursor ion and product ions (transitions) in the chromatogram with MS/MS spectra of seven WS analytes and internal standards in the developed UHPLC-MS/MS method.