

# Conformational preference of flavonols and its effect on the chemical properties involved in radical scavenging activity

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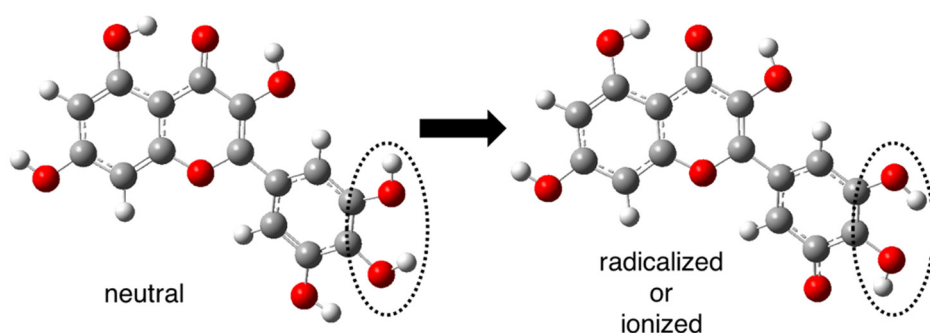
Conf. index	Myricetin		Quercetin		Kaempferol	
	$G^\circ$	$\omega_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2}}$	$G^\circ$	$\omega_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2}}$	$G^\circ$	$\omega_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2}}$
i	-1179.141206 <sup>a</sup>	0.1	-1103.918622	-3.8	-1028.694043	-10.9
ii	-1179.139359 <sup>b</sup>	11.1	-1103.917549 <sup>d</sup>	171.8	-1028.694246	9.4
iii	-1179.140819 <sup>c</sup>	0.0	-1103.916189	167.6	-1028.693322	13.2
iv	-1179.138633	-13.3	-1103.918066	4.9	-1028.693422	13.9
v	-1179.141212 <sup>a</sup>	0.0	-1103.916343	168.1	-1028.681395	42.5
vi	-1179.139347 <sup>b</sup>	-10.9	-1103.917595 <sup>d</sup>	-172.0	-1028.681421	-41.3
vii	-1179.140809 <sup>c</sup>	0.0	-1103.919201	-1.2	-1028.680530	43.3
viii	-1179.139347 <sup>b</sup>	-10.9	-1103.904703	139.6	-1028.677158	9.3
ix	-1179.133063	13.9	-1103.904691	41.7	-1028.676955	8.5
x	-1179.127419	-41.2	-1103.911769	0.5	-1028.677241	-5.1
xi	-1179.127093	40.6	-1103.904202	138.3	-1028.676329	5.0
xii	-1179.126584	40.8	-1103.910301	170.0	-1028.676153	0.0
xiii	-1179.124135	0.0	-1103.902388	-0.1	-1028.691212	0.0
xiv	-1179.135137	-0.1	-1103.909479	167.7	-1028.679585	0.0
xv	-1179.135372	-0.1	-1103.901001	0.0	-	-
xvi	-1179.123018	0.1	-1103.899990	170.0	-	-
xvii	-1179.131112	0.0	-1103.897821	179.5	-	-
xviii	-1179.122280	-11.2	-1103.900187	180.0	-	-
xix	-1179.121734	-8.1	-1103.914025	180.0	-	-
xx	-1179.120947	40.7	-1103.901657	0.0	-	-
xxi	-1179.124134	-0.1	-1103.889105	180.0	-	-
xxii	-1179.117371	-10.3	-1103.890822	180.0	-	-
xxiii	-1179.116014	-9.5	-1103.897452	180.0	-	-
xxiv	-1179.119621	0.0	-	-	-	-
xxv	-1179.108097	0.0	-	-	-	-

<sup>a</sup> The optimized structures were identical to each other. <sup>b</sup> The optimized structures were identical to each other. <sup>c</sup> The optimized structures were identical to each other. <sup>d</sup> The optimized structures were identical to each other.

**Table S2.** The Gibbs energies and dihedral angles of C3-C2-C1'-C2' after the geometry optimization using DFT in water solvent for each conformer. Values of  $G^0$  and  $\omega_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2}}$  are shown in a.u. and degree, respectively.

Conf. index	Myricetin		Quercetin		Kaempferol	
	$G^0$	$\omega_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2}}$	$G^0$	$\omega_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2}}$	$G^0$	$\omega_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2}}$
i	-1179.175764	27.0	-1103.950163	-27.8	-1028.722257	-29.5
ii	-1179.175238	26.6	-1103.948744 <sup>a</sup>	153.5	-1028.722241	31.0
iii	-1179.176521	27.0	-1103.948951	151.5	-1028.721852	29.9
iv	-1179.175851	-25.4	-1103.949448	26.6	-1028.721931	30.6
v	-1179.171763	27.9	-1103.948907	152.8	-1028.718234	43.5
vi	-1179.172057	28.9	-1103.948729 <sup>a</sup>	153.5	-1028.718523	-42.4
vii	-1179.172056	-28.3	-1103.942633	28.2	-1028.718073	43.1
viii	-1179.168647	28.9	-1103.945780	137.9	-1028.713509	28.1
ix	-1179.168687	28.8	-1103.944940	43.2	-1028.713593	29.6
x	-1179.172109	-43.0	-1103.947884	27.4	-1028.713567	-28.3
xi	-1179.171116	42.2	-1103.946045	137.7	-1028.713628	29.8
xii	-1179.171544	42.3	-1103.947952	153.0	-1028.713046	0.0
xiii	-1179.170092	-26.1	-1103.939833	24.7	-1028.721474	0.0
xiv	-1179.174676	25.7	-1103.948073	152.3	-1028.713322	0.0
xv	-1179.170875	-26.1	-1103.939815	25.6	-1028.713172	0.0
xvi	-1179.169735	26.1	-1103.939927	152.7	-	-
xvii	-1179.175505	25.4	-1103.940001	153.3	-	-
xviii	-1179.169511	-25.1	-1103.939831	180.0	-	-
xix	-1179.169049	-25.7	-1103.945667	180.0	-	-
xx	-1179.170523	43.9	-1103.939787	0.0	-	-
xxi	-1179.166739	-27.1	-1103.935442	180.0	-	-
xxii	-1179.163008	-28.0	-1103.939073	180.0	-	-
xxiii	-1179.166033	-28.2	-1103.939846	180.0	-	-
xxiv	-1179.165956	0.0	-	-	-	-
xxv	-1179.161311	0.0	-	-	-	-

<sup>a</sup> The optimized structures were identical to each other.



**Figure S1.** Change of orientation of hydrogen atoms upon radicalization or ionization as exemplified by the first conformer of myricetin.

**Table S3.** Dihedral angles of C3-C2-C1'-C2' of the neutral molecule and radical cation after the geometry optimization in water solvent. Values of  $\alpha_{\text{C3-C2-C1'-C2'}}$  are shown in degree.

Conf. index	Myricetin		Quercetin		Kaempferol	
	Neutral	Radical cation	Neutral	Radical cation	Neutral	Radical cation
w-1	27.0	7.0	-27.9	-7.9	-29.4	-7.2
w-2	-25.4	-13.7	26.5	2.1	31.0	10.0
w-3	27.0	8.1	151.4	167.8	30.7	10.2
w-4	25.4	6.3	152.9	166.4	29.8	11.6
w-5	26.6	14.3	153.4	166.9	-	-
w-6	25.7	6.5	152.3	167.2	-	-
w-7	-	-	153.0	167.6	-	-
w-8	-	-	27.4	9.2	-	-