

**Table S1.** Comparison between the compounds concentrations determined at harvest day ( $t_0$ ) and at the end of the drying/curing phase (d6) within each of the treatment groups, namely REF (reference group) and Hex8mM (8mM hexanoic acid treatment group)<sup>a</sup>. Only compounds exhibiting significant differences are listed in the table.

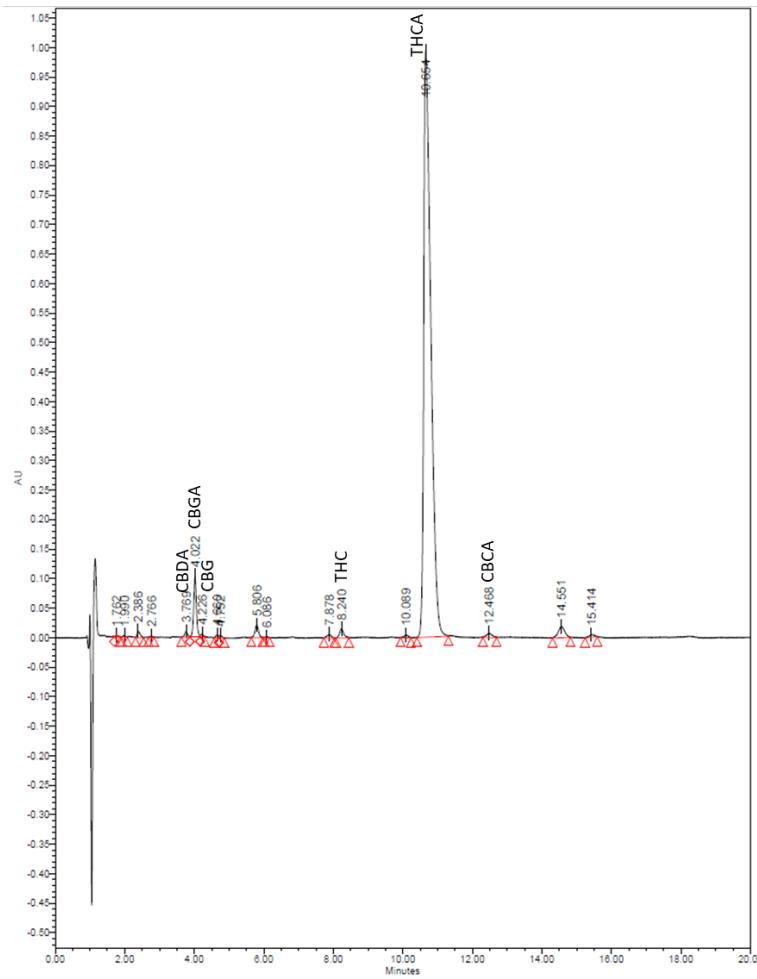
	REF Concentration ± SE at $t_0$	REF Concentration ± SE at d6 after drying and curing	Hex8mM Concentration ± SE at $t_0$	Hex8mM Concentration ± SE at d6 after drying and curing
THC	0.17 ± 0.04	0.25 ± 0.04 (**) <sup>a</sup>	0.22 ± 0.03	0.28 ± 0.08 (ns) <sup>b</sup>
CBG	0.10 ± 0.03	0.09 ± 0.02 (ns)	0.124 ± 0.004	0.09 ± 0.01 (*)
(-)- $\beta$ -pinene	0.186 ± 0.008	0.158 ± 0.003 (**)	0.18 ± 0.02	0.18 ± 0.01 (ns)
$\beta$ -myrcene	0.054 ± 0.003	0.028 ± 0.001 (****)	0.050 ± 0.0027	0.035 ± 0.002 (****)
d-limonene	0.67 ± 0.02	0.428 ± 0.002 (****)	0.61 ± 0.02	0.48 ± 0.06 (****)
Linalool	0.111 ± 0.008	0.074 ± 0.003 (****)	0.10 ± 0.01	0.086 ± 0.005 (ns)
Fenchol	0.070 ± 0.004	0.057 ± 0.002 (*)	0.063 ± 0.008	0.067 ± 0.006 (ns)
Pinalol	0.076 ± 0.004	0.067 ± 0.002 (*)	0.069 ± 0.008	0.075 ± 0.005 (ns)
$\alpha$ -terpineol	0.077 ± 0.005	0.064 ± 0.006 (*)	0.074 ± 0.009	0.080 ± 0.006 (ns)
$\beta$ -caryophyllene	0.47 ± 0.03	0.394 ± 0.006 (**)	0.39 ± 0.04	0.43 ± 0.03 (ns)
$\alpha$ -humulene	0.18 ± 0.02	0.149 ± 0.004 (*)	0.15 ± 0.02	0.16 ± 0.02 (ns)
(-)- $\alpha$ -bisabolol	0.061 ± 0.003	0.053 ± 0.002 (*)	0.053 ± 0.005	0.059 ± 0.004 (ns)
$\gamma$ -elemene	0.12 ± 0.02	0.095 ± 0.001 (*)	0.089 ± 0.006	0.10 ± 0.02 (ns)
$\beta$ -eudesmene	0.07 ± 0.01	0.053 ± 0.002 (*)	0.054 ± 0.006	0.057 ± 0.009 (ns)
$\alpha$ -selinene	0.07 ± 0.01	0.055 ± 0.002 (*)	0.056 ± 0.007	0.060 ± 0.009 (ns)

<sup>a</sup> Two-way ANOVA followed by Dunnet's posthoc at an adjusted significance value of p < 0.05: p value < 0.0332 (\*), p < 0.0021 (\*\*), p < 0.0002 (\*\*), p < 0.0001 (\*\*\*\*).

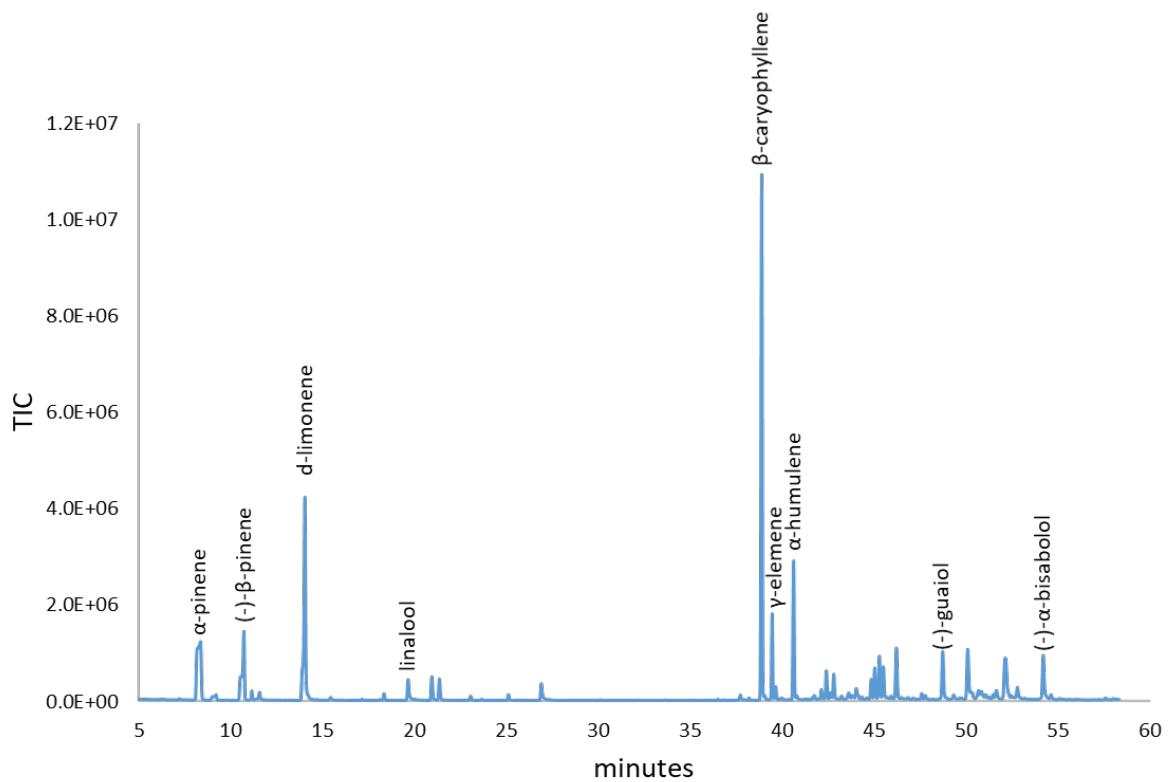
<sup>b</sup> ns, not significant.

**Table S2.** Comparison between THCA, CBGA and CBDA concentrations as a function of hexanoic acid concentration (i.e. 0 mM, 1 mM, 4 mM, 8 mM and 10 mM) at the end of the drying/curing phase (day 6) in order to determine the optimal concentration for spray application of hexanoic acid. Statistical significance for each compound was calculated using two-way ANOVA followed by Tukey's posthoc test at  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Letters in each row in the table are used to present the statistical test results for each compound.

	REF	Hex1mM	Hex4mM	Hex8mM	Hex10mM
THCA	15.1 ± 0.6 a	14.6 ± 0.5 a	13.2 ± 0.6 b	16.6 ± 1.3 c	14.6 ± 2.0 a
CBGA	0.64 ± 0.03 a	0.44 ± 0.02 a	0.58 ± 0.02 a	0.73 ± 0.06 a	0.30 ± 0.04 a
CBDA	0.039 ± 0.003 a	0.052 ± 0.008 a	0.054 ± 0.005 a	0.042 ± 0.003 a	0.057 ± 0.006 a



**Figure S1.** Representative HPLC-PDA chromatogram of the 505 chemovar ethanolic extract.



**Figure S2.** Representative GC/MS chromatogram of the 505 chemovar ethanolic extract.