# SUPPLEMENTARY DATA SHEETS

# Protection of UVB-Induced Photoaging by Fuzhuan-Brick Tea Aqueous Extract via MAPKs/*Nrf*2-Mediated Down-Regulation of MMP-1

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#### 2. Materials and Methods

#### 2.1. Drugs and chemicals

2,2-Diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH), neucaprine, 2,20-azino-bis(3-ethylbenzothiazoline-6sulphonic acid) (ABTS), 2',7'-dichlorofluorescin diacetate (DCFH-DA), 3-(4,5dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide (MTT), and dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) were purchased from Sigma Aldrich (St. Louis, MO, USA). Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (DMEM), fetal bovine serum (FBS), penicillin-streptomycin mixture (P/S), and 0.25% trypsin-EDTA were purchased from Gibco-BRL Life Technologies (Grand Island, NY, USA). All antibodies anti-SOD1, anti-CAT, anti-GPx-1, anti-HO-1, anti-MMP-1, antitype I procollagen, and anti-*Nrf2* were purchased from Santa Cruz Biotechnology (Santa Cruz, CA, USA) as described in Table S2.

### 2.2. High-performance liquid chromatographic (HPLC) analysis

Phytochemical characterization of FBTA, including standard molecules (gallic acid, theaflavins, theobromine, epigallocathecin, caffeine, epicatechin and epigallocatechingallate (EGCG)) was performed using an auto-sampler HPLC (HPLC-DAD) setup (Shimadzu, Japan) supported with a diode array detector (SPD-M20A) and LC solution software (ver. 1.22 SP1). A 5  $\mu$ m-diameter particles packed C18 column (4.6 × 250 mm) was used for reverse-phase chromatographic analysis. The following gradient solvent system [acetonitrile (A) and 1% formic acid (B)] was employed with change in ratio at every time (min); solvent A (10%) was run up to 10 min, followed by 30, 50, 60, 90, and 20% for 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, and 40 min, respectively ( $\lambda$  = 280 nm). The injection volume was 20  $\mu$ L, and the flow rate was maintained at 0.8 mL/min [1]. The phenolic components were identified based on the retention time compared with those of standard compounds.

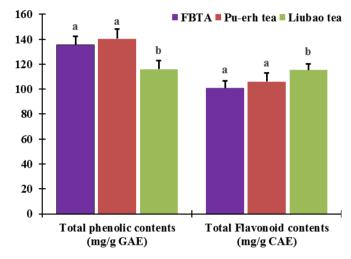
Gene name		Sequences	
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	reverse	TCCTCTGTCAGCATCACCTG	
Nrf-2	forward	ACATCCTTTGGAGGCAAGAC	
	reverse	GGGAATGTCTCTGCCAAAAG	
Gapdh	Forward	TTGTGATGGGTGTGAACCAC	
	reverse	ACACATTGGGGGGTAGGAACA	

# Table S2: List of the primer sets used in this study.

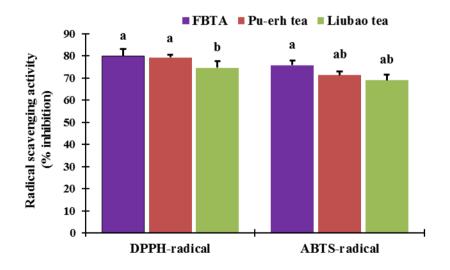
Table S2: List of antibodies used in this study.

Name	Catalog	Company	Antigen	Host
	number			
Anti-SOD1	sc-101523	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	SOD1	Mouse
Anti-CAT	sc-515782	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	CAT	Mouse
Anti-GPx-1	sc-133160	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	GPx-1	Mouse
Anti-HO-1	sc-136256	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	HO-1	Mouse
Anti Nrf2	sc-81342	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	Nrf2	Mouse
Anti-p-p38	sc-166182	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	p38	Mouse
Anti-p38	BS3567	Bioworld Technology, Inc.	p38	Rabbit
Anti-p-ERK1/2	sc-7383	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	ERK	Mouse
Anti-ERK1/2	BS 6472	Bioworld Technology, Inc.	ERK	Rabbit
Anti-p-JNK	BS 4322	Bioworld Technology, Inc.	JNK	Rabbit
Anti-JNK	sc-7345	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	JNK	Mouse
Anti-MMP1	sc-21731	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	MMP-1	Mouse

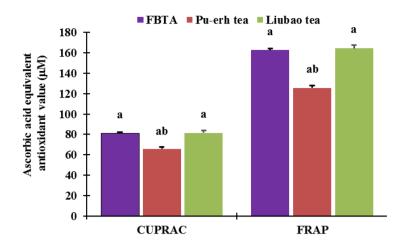
Anti-type	Ι	sc-376350	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	COL1A2	Mouse
Procollagen					
Anti-Lamin B		Sc-6217	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	Lamin B	Goat
Anti-β actin		Sc-47778	Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.	β-actin	Mouse



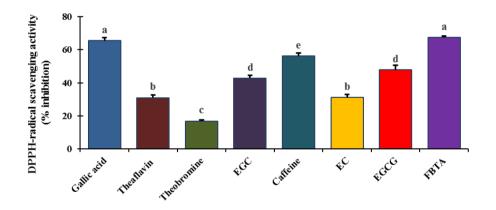
**Figure S1.** Total phenolic and flavonoid contents of the aqueous extract of Fuzhuan-brick tea, pu-erh tea and libao tea. The different letter in the same group indicate the difference between the teas is significant.



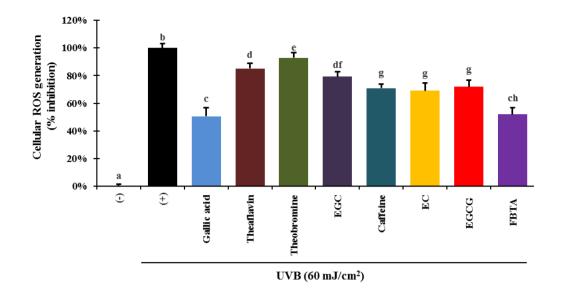
**Figure S2.** DPPH- and ABTS-radical scavenging activities of the aqueous extract of Fuzhuanbrick tea, pu-erh tea and libao tea. The different letter in the same group indicate the difference between the teas is significant.



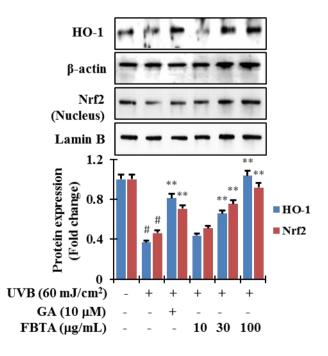
**Figure S3.** Reducing power activities of the aqueous extract of Fuzhuan-brick tea, pu-erh tea and libao tea in CUPRAC and FRAP assays. The different letters in the same group indicate the difference between the teas is significant.



**Figure S4.** DPPH-radical scavenging activities of the aqueous extract of Fuzhuan-brick tea (FBTA) and the identified constituents at their putative concentrations in FBTA. The different letters indicate the difference between the constituents is significant (p < 0.05). The experimental concentration of gallic acid (10 µmol/L), theaflavins (2 µmol/L), theobromine (2 µmol/L), EGC (4 µmol/L), caffeine (15 µmol/L), EC (2 µmol/L), EGCG (2 µmol/L) and FBTA (100 µg/mL).

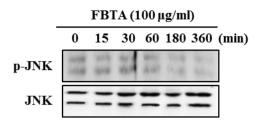


**Figure S5.** Cellular ROS quenching effects of the aqueous extract of Fuzhuan-brick tea (FBTA) and the identified constituents at their putative concentration in FBTA. The experimental concentration of gallic acid (10  $\mu$ mol/L), theaflavins (2  $\mu$ mol/L), theobromine (2  $\mu$ mol/L), EGC (4  $\mu$ mol/L), caffeine (15  $\mu$ mol/L), EC (2  $\mu$ mol/L), EGCG (2  $\mu$ mol/L) and FBTA (100  $\mu$ g/mL). Different letter of each column are significant (*p* < 0.05).



**Figure S6.** Effects of Fuzhuan-brick tea aqueous extract on *Nrf2* signaling. FBTA-pretreated HaCaT cells were exposed with UVB (60 mJ/cm<sup>2</sup>), and the protein expressions of HO-1 and

*Nrf2* were detected by western blotting. #p < 0.01, compared to the normal cells, \*\*p < 0.05, compared to UVB-irradiated cells.



**Figure S7.** Effects of Fuzhuan-brick tea aqueous extract on the activation of JNK. HaCaT cells were treated with FBTA (100  $\mu$ g/mL) for indicated time points and the activated and non-activated forms of JNK were identified by immunoblotting assay.

## References

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