DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

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Summary of new findings:

1. Phytochemicals

- 6 previously undescribed compounds were isolated and elucidated from Vietnamese Gymnema sylvestre, including: Compound 1: 3*β*,16*β*,28-trihydroxyolean-12-en-29-oic acid 3-O- β -D-glucopyranosyl(1 \rightarrow 3)- β -D-glucuronopyranoside; Compound 2: Sitakisogenin 3-*O*-β-D-glucopyranosyl (1→3)-β-Dglucuronopyranoside; Compound 3: Sitakisogenin $3-O-\beta$ -D-glucuronopyranoside; Compound **4**: 29-O-(β -D-glucopyranosyl) gymnemagenol 3-*О*-*β*-Dglucuronopyranoside; Compound 5: Gymnemagenol $3-O-\beta$ -D-glucuronopyranoside; 8: 3-O-[β -D-xylopyranosyl(1 \rightarrow 6)- β -D-glucopyranosyl(1 \rightarrow 6)- β -D-Compound glucopyranosyl] oleanolic acid $28 - [\beta - D - glucopyranosyl(1 \rightarrow 6) - \beta - D - glucopyranosyl]$ ester

2. *Biological activities* First testing in vitro PTP1B inhibitory effect of all isolated compounds. Compound 4 and 5 showed the most potent PTP1B inhibitory activity and also significantly enhanced glucose uptake in 3T3-L1 adipocytes: 29-O-(β -D-glucopyranosyl) gymnemagenol 3-O- β -D-glucuronopyranoside and Gymnemagenol 3-O- β -D-glucuronopyranoside compounds.

3. Bioactive compound accumulation

- Identify and isolate the chemical marker of Vietnamese G. sylvestre:

gymnemagenol, the aglycon of compound 4 and 5, to evaluate the seasonal chemical variation for this plant. An analytical method for the validation of gymnemagenol in Vietnamese *G. sylvestre* was established.

- The accumulations of gymnemagenol were identified to be highest in May and October. On the other hand, February showed the lowest amount of gymnemagenol Vietnamese *G. Sylvestre*.

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