

# Future opportunities for the production and marketing of Blackcurrant standardised active compounds

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- Extract Division of Iprona AG
- Production in Graz, Austria and Lana, Italy
- Producing Blackcurrant Extracts since 1998
- Specialist in Membrane Filtration extracts

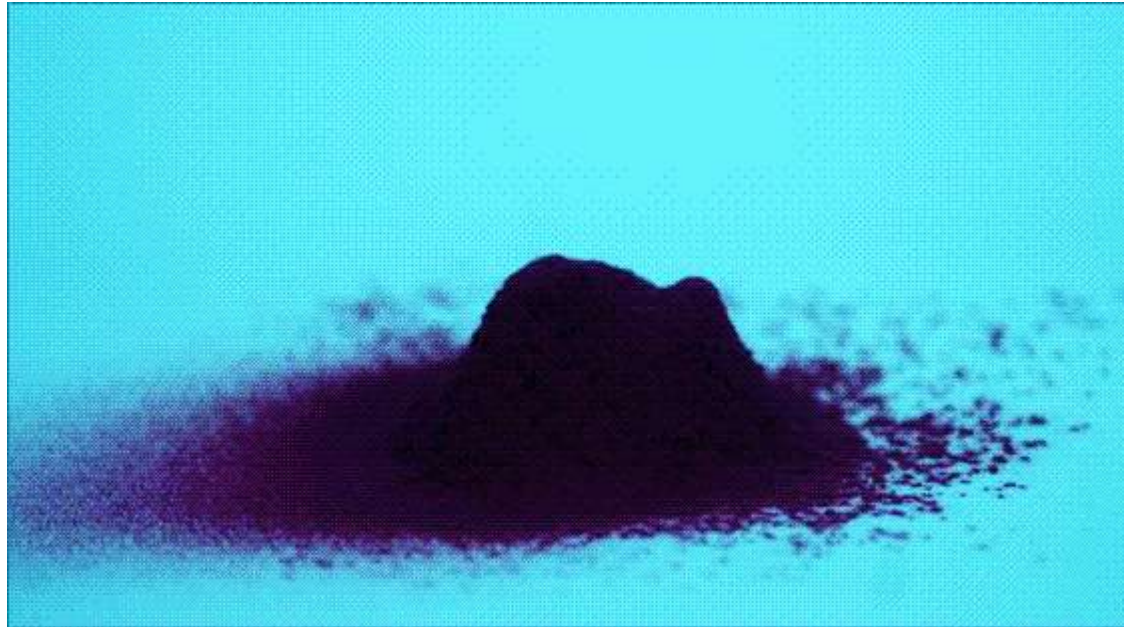


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# What are Blackcurrant „Standardised Active Compounds“



# What are Blackcurrant „Standardised Active Compounds“

Liquids or Powders

Standardised on  
Polyphenols or Anthocyanins

Produced by either?

# Alcohol Extraction

- Used to maximise Anthocyanin Concentration



**Pharmaceutical**



- Approx 120 kg of blackcurrants = 1 kg of extract

# Membrane Ultra Filtration Extract

- Broader spectrum of concentrated active compounds



**Nutritional**



- 60 kg of blackcurrants = 1 kg of extract

# How Did we decide ?



Alcohol Extraction

Or

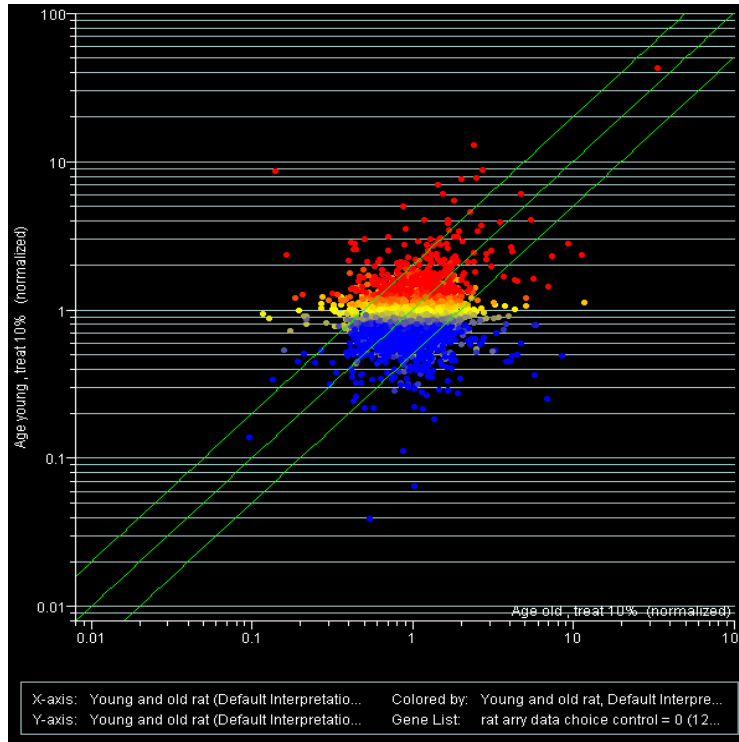
Membrane Ultra Filtration



# Nutrigenomic Microarray Analysis

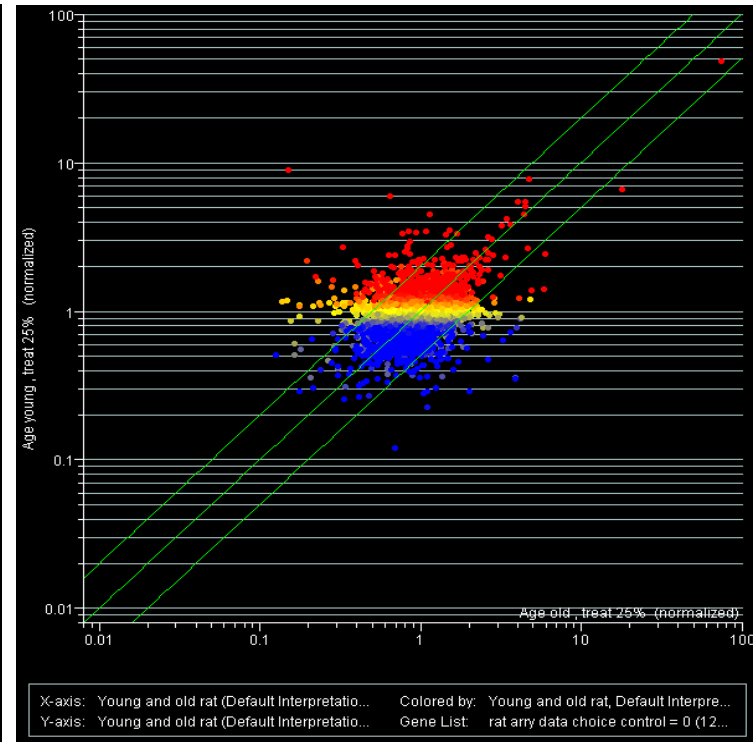
BC 10% Membrane Concentrate

BC 25% Ethanol Extract



Young Rat

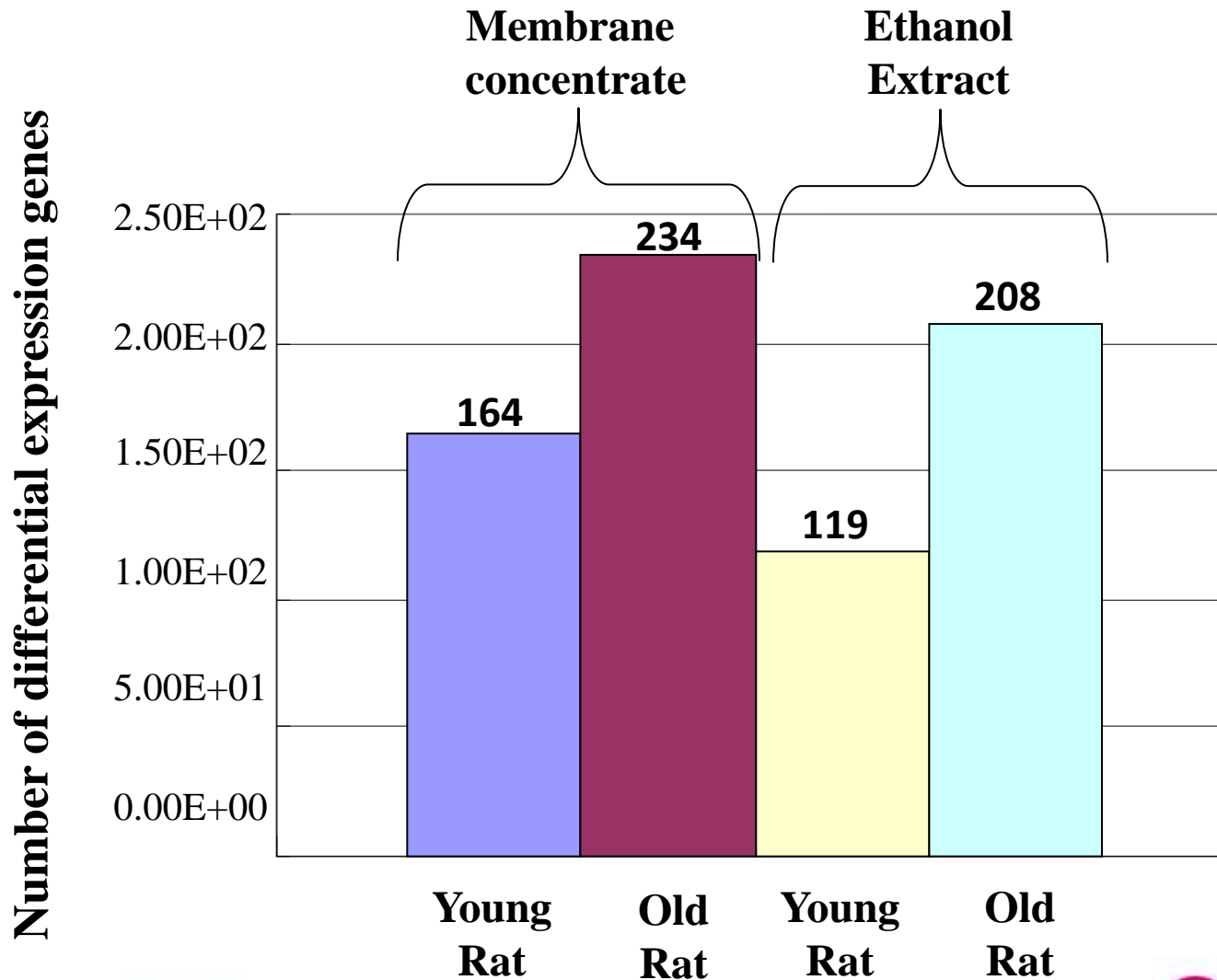
Old Rat



Young Rat

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# Number of Differential Expression Genes by Feeding Rats with Blackcurrants



# Differentially expressed genes in rat liver responsive to black currant feeding of different manufacturing process.

GO biological process	Description	Gene symbol	Membrane filtrate		Ethanol extract	
			old	young	old	young
			Ratio	Ratio	Ratio	Ratio
Stress response						
	Metallothionein 1a	Mt1a	0.33	0.38	0.78	1.01
	Metallothionein-2	ENSRNOT00000047663	0.48	0.37	0.93	0.87
	mRNA for hydroxysteroid sulfotransferase subunit	Sult2a1	0.48	0.55	1.32	1.22
	Alpha-1-B glycoprotein	A1bg	1.20	0.27	1.74	2.18
Metabolic process						
	Fatty acid synthase	Fasn	2.82	2.40	0.97	1.59
	Solute carrier family 1 (glial high affinity glutamate transporter), member 3	Slc1a3	5.38	4.04	0.39	2.20
	Aldo-keto reductase family 1, member B8	Akr1b8	0.56	0.22	0.90	1.14
	VI ADH=class VI alcohol dehydrogenase	S79716	0.42	0.39	0.84	0.89
Differentiation						
	Uroplakin 1B	Upk1b	1.19	1.13	0.29	0.54
	Plasticity-related protein 3	LOC298062	0.41	0.41	1.13	0.88
Signal transduction						
	Olfactory receptor 1057	Olr1057_predicted	0.74	0.34	1.23	1.07
	Phospholipase C, delta 4	Plcd4	0.64	0.63	1.65	1.26



**WELGENE**



# Differentially expressed genes in rat liver responsive to blackcurrant feeding

Biological process	Description	Gene symbol	Average ratio
Immune response	Chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 11	Ccl11	4.56
	Secretory leukocyte peptidase inhibitor	Slpi	4.31
Metabolic process	ATP citrate lyase	Acly	2.73
	Carnitine acetyltransferase	Crat	0.37
	UDP glycosyltransferase 2 family, polypeptide B	Ugt2b	7.63
Oxidoreduction	Cytochrome P450, family 4, subfamily a, polypeptide 14	Cyp4a14	0.34
	Cytochrome P450, subfamily 4A, polypeptide 11	Cyp4a11	0.36
Peroxisome biogenesis	Peroxisomal biogenesis factor 11A	Pex11a	0.33
Signal transduction	Protein phosphatase 1, regulatory subunit 14c	Ppp1r14c	5.80
	Olfactory receptor 1337	Olr1337_predicted	3.84
Cell cycle	Pleiomorphic adenoma gene-like 1	Plagl1	4.39
Cell differentiation	Delta-like 1 homolog	Dlk1	1.88

# Commissioned a Study at the Berlin Charité Medical University

BC-MFE anthocyanins cause a flow-  
dependent increase in blood perfusion in  
isolated human intracerebral arteries,  
reducing endothelial dysfunction.

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# Flow Measurement Model



We adopted the Flow Measurement Model which is also used by the pharmaceutical industry to test the efficacy of fluvastatins.

This provided a benchmark for evaluation of BC-MFE.

# Human Brain Tissue Results

BC- MF Liquid produced:

- 40.4% reduction in tension,
- 45.2% increase in flow-dependent relaxation,
- 50.7% rise in blood perfusion

Results comparable to Fluvastatins!

## Conclusion from First Study Phase:

These experiments impressively show that BC-MF extract liquid clearly improves *endothelial* and cardiovascular micro circulation.

The Study Team concluded that BC-MFE should have a beneficial effect on the cognitive functions in dementia of the Alzheimer type and in the prevention of stroke.

We also commissioned further ellipsometry work, just printed in „Circulation“, the American Heart Association Journal which further confirms earlier findings including VLDL resistance and plaque reduction.



# Why is Blackcurrant Extract so Active?

# It has a Unique „delphinidin“ Composition

BC contains four main dominant anthocyanins:

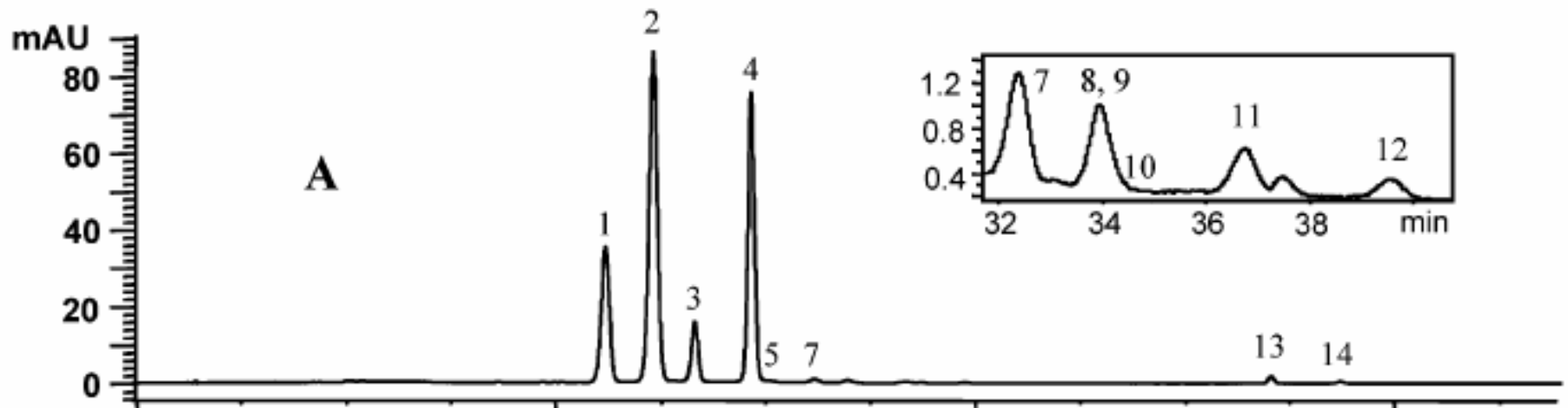
delphinidin-3-glucoside,

cyanidin-3-glucoside,

delphinidin-3-rutinoside,

cyanidin-3-rutinoside

Matsumoto 2004, Relaxes smooth muscle...



Reverse-phase HPLC chromatogram of anthocyanins detected at 520 nm from blackcurrant (cv. Ben Alder). Elution gradient 1 was used to separate anthocyanins (Wu et al., 2004)



# Why support the Marketing of BC Std Active Compounds?

- Health Benefits already accepted by consumers
- Health Claims already exist for marketing
- Built on 1000 years of recorded traditional use
- Stable with up to 3 years shelf life.
  
- Profitable - value adding
  - 1 Kg of fresh Blackcurrants 80 pence per Kg
  - 1 Kg of Blackcurrant 25% Extract, 350 EUR p/Kg
  
- Global Nutraceutical Market shows continuous Growth

# Global Nutraceutical Market

- Global nutraceutical market:
  - 2011: estimated at about **\$151 billion**
  - 2016: estimated at about **\$207 billion**
  - projected compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of **6.5%** between 2011 and 2016
- Functional beverages market:
  - 2011: expected to be worth **\$57 billion**
  - 2016: expected to be worth **\$87 billion**
  - expected CAGR of **8.8%**
- Nutraceutical food market: second largest market
  - 2011: estimated **\$49 billion**
  - 2016: estimated **\$67 billion**
  - estimated CAGR of **6.4%**

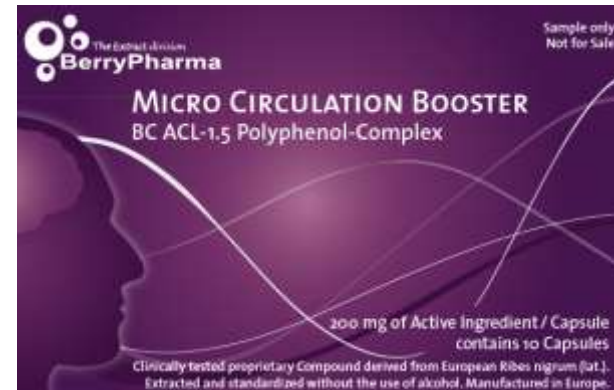
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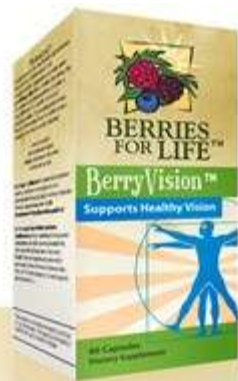
- Powerful Antioxidant
- Eye Health
- Coughs Colds and Flu treatment



## *New Opportunities*

- Micro circulation and Brain Health
- Migraine
- Anti-inflammatory
- Cardiovascular Health
- Metabolic Syndrome





# Opportunities are built from Clinical Studies confirming Benefits and Claims

## Research Driven

Eye Stress Relief - Meiji and Cerebos

Eye Ring Shadow - beauty (microcirculation)

Migraine Relief - Complén Germany

Microcirculation - improved endothelial function Meiji & BerryPharma

Oxidative Stress - Science in Sport UK

Metabolic Syndrome - New EU Sponsored Initiative



# Promising Future

1. Consumer demand for Nutraceuticals has a projected 6.5% compound annual growth rate.
2. We are still to realise the marketing potential of the unique delphinidin compounds
3. Scientists are building even stronger cases for further health claims including brain health
4. Quality of the extracts can only continue to improve with new Blackcurrant Fruit Cultivars and improved extraction technology



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