

# **New lignin streams derived from heteropoly acids-enhanced neutral deep eutectic solvent fractionation: Towards structural elucidation and antioxidant performance**

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**Table S1**

The solubility of lignin fractions.

Solvents	HPA-DES lignin		Alkali Lignin		Lignosulphonate	
	Solubility (mg/mL)	Solubility (wt %)	Solubility (mg/mL)	Solubility (wt %)	Solubility (mg/mL)	Solubility (wt %)
Methanol	<1	<0.13	<1	<0.13	<1	<0.13
Ethanol	< 1	<0.13	<1	<0.13	<1	<0.13
Acetone	< 1	<0.13	<1	<0.13	<1	<0.13
Deionized water	< 1	<0.10	<3	<3.00	> 100	> 10
Ethylacetate	< 1	<0.11	<1	<0.11	<1	<0.11
Cyclohexane	< 1	<0.13	<1	<0.13	<1	<0.13
Phenylcarbinol	< 1	<0.10	<1	<0.10	<1	<0.10
Dichloroethane	< 1	<0.08	<1	<0.08	<1	<0.08
1,4-dioxane	< 1	<0.10	<1	<0.10	<1	<0.10
Tetrahydrofuran	4	0.45	4	0.45	3	0.34
Dimethyl sulfoxide	> 100	> 9.1	> 70	> 6.4	> 50	> 4.5
Dimethylacetamide	> 100	> 10.7	> 80	> 8.5	> 60	> 6.4

**Table S2**

Assignments of  $^{13}\text{C}$ - $^1\text{H}$  correlated signals in the HSQC spectra of the lignin from bamboo.

Labels	$\delta_{\text{C}}/\delta_{\text{H}}$ (ppm)	Assignment
$\text{C}_{\beta}$	53.8/3.71	$\text{C}_{\beta}\text{-H}_{\beta}$ in phenylcomaran structures(C)
$\text{B}_{\beta}$	53.8/3.07	$\text{C}_{\beta}\text{-H}_{\beta}$ in resinol substructures(B)
$-\text{OCH}_3$	55.2/3.59	C-H in methoxyls
$\text{A}_{\gamma}$	59.5/3.62	$\text{C}_{\gamma}\text{-H}_{\gamma}$ in $\beta$ -O-4 substructures(A)
$\text{I}_{\gamma}$	62.3/4.09	$\text{C}_{\gamma}\text{-H}_{\gamma}$ in cinnamyl(sinapyl/coniferyl) alcohol end groups(I)
$\text{X}_5$	62.8/3.25	$\text{C}_5\text{-H}_5$ $\beta$ -D-xylopyranoside substructures(X)
$\text{B}_{\gamma}$	71.1/3.70	and $\text{C}_{\gamma}\text{-H}_{\gamma}$ in resinol substructures(B)

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A <sub>α</sub>	71.3/4.86	C <sub>α</sub> -H <sub>α</sub> in $\beta$ -O-4 substructures(A)
X <sub>2</sub>	73.0/3.10	C <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> $\beta$ -D-xylopyranoside substructures(X)
X' <sub>2</sub>	73.1/4.46	C <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> in 2-O-Ac- $\beta$ -D-xylopyranoside substructures(X)
X <sub>3</sub>	74.1/3.26	C <sub>3</sub> -H <sub>3</sub> $\beta$ -D-xylopyranoside substructures(X)
X <sub>4</sub>	76.4/3.63	C <sub>4</sub> -H <sub>4</sub> $\beta$ -D-xylopyranoside substructures(X)
D' <sub>α</sub>	79.4/4.01	C <sub>α</sub> -H <sub>α</sub> in spirodienone substructures(D')
A' <sub>β</sub> (G)	80.8/4.61	C <sub>β</sub> -H <sub>β</sub> in $\beta$ -O-4 linked to a G (H)
B' <sub>α</sub>	83.0/4.91	C <sub>α</sub> -H <sub>α</sub> in $\beta$ - $\beta$ (B', tetrahydrofuran)
A <sub>β</sub> (G)	83.2/4.34	C <sub>β</sub> -H <sub>β</sub> in $\beta$ -O-4 linked to a G (H)
B <sub>α</sub>	84.8/4.62	C <sub>α</sub> -H <sub>α</sub> in resinol substructures(B)
A <sub>β</sub> (S)	85.7/4.10	C <sub>β</sub> -H <sub>β</sub> in $\beta$ -O-4 linked to a S unit(A)
C <sub>α</sub>	87.5/5.48	C <sub>α</sub> -H <sub>α</sub> in phenylcomaran structures(C)
S <sub>2,6</sub>	103.7/6.59	C <sub>2,6</sub> -H <sub>2,6</sub> in syringyl units(S)
T <sub>2,6</sub>	105.4/7.34	C <sub>2,6</sub> -H <sub>2,6</sub> in tricin (T)
G <sub>2</sub>	111.1/6.94	C <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> in guaiacyl units(G)
FA <sub>2</sub>	111.3/7.32	C <sub>2</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> in ferulate (FA)
PCA <sub>β</sub> /FA <sub>β</sub>	113.6/6.23	C <sub>β</sub> -H <sub>β</sub> in p-coumarate (PCA) and ferulate (FA)
G <sub>5</sub>	114.5/6.70	C <sub>5</sub> -H <sub>5</sub> in guaiacyl units(G)
PCA <sub>3,5</sub>	115.8/6.68	C <sub>3,5</sub> -H <sub>3,5</sub> in p-coumarate (PCA)

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G <sub>6</sub>	119.1/6.78	C <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>6</sub> in guaiacyl units(G)
FA <sub>6</sub>	122.5/7.13	C <sub>2,6</sub> -H <sub>2,6</sub> in ferulate (FA)
J <sub>β</sub>	126.1/6.72	C <sub>β</sub> -H <sub>β</sub> in cinnamyl aldehyde end-group (J)
H <sub>2,6</sub>	128.0/7.22	C <sub>2,6</sub> -H <sub>2,6</sub> in <i>p</i> -hydroxyphenyl units(H)
PCA <sub>2,6</sub> /PCA <sub>2,6</sub>	130.1/7.48	C <sub>2,6</sub> -H <sub>2,6</sub> in <i>p</i> -coumarate (PCA)
PCA <sub>α</sub> /FA <sub>α</sub>	144.6/7.46	C <sub>α</sub> -H <sub>α</sub> in p-coumarate (PCA) and ferulate (FA)

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