Fermentation of Danggui Buxue Tang, an ancient Chinese herbal mixture, together with *Lactobacillus plantarum* enhances the anti-diabetic functions of herbal product

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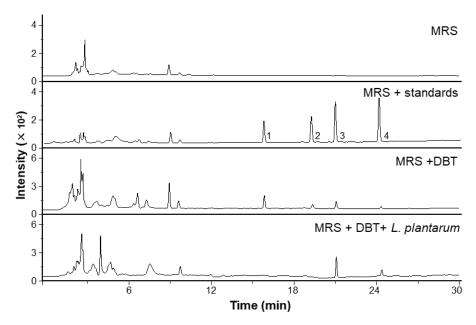


Figure 1S: Typical-HPLC fingerprints of DBT before and after fermentation. Absorbance at 254 nm was detected here. MRS is the background signal. Calycosin-7-O- β -D-glucoside (1), ononin (2), calycosin (3), and formononetin (4) are indicated with 20 µg/mL each. DBT (21.6 mg/mL) in MRS are shown. Fermentation of DBT (21.6 mg/mL) with *L. plantarum* (1 × 10⁷ CFU/mL) in MRS was at 37 °C for 48 hours.

Supplementary Table 1S: Analytic parameters of 4 standards by UPLC-MS/MS in fermented DBT.

No.	Rt (min)	Analyte	Mw	Precursor ion ^a	Product ion ^b	Entrance voltage (V)	Collision energy (eV) ^c
1	0.85	Cal-O-β-glu ^d	446.40	491	283	-30	-22
2	2.35	Ononin	430.40	475	267	-30	-22
3	2.84	Calycosin	284.26	283	268	-30	-25
4	4.64	Formononetin	268.27	267	252	-30	-28
IS	0.76	Rutin	610.52	609	301	-30	-46

^a The detected chemicals had the greatest responses under the negative mode: the [M-H]⁻ or [M+HCOO⁻]⁻ were used as the precursor ion.

^d Two product ions were used for the MRM analysis. The upper one was used for quantitative analysis and the lower one was for qualitative analysis, which could guarantee the precision of analytes.

^c The collision energy was optimized to have the greatest product ion intensity, which was the key factor in the MRM mode.

^d Cal-O-β-glu: calycosin-7-O-β-D-glucoside.