

# PHYTOCHEMICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF TURNIP GREENS

(Brassica rapa ssp. rapa): A Systematic Review

**Compounds Identified in Turnip Greens** 

#### **GLUCOSINOLATES**

- 4-Hydroxyglucobrassicin
- Glucobrassicanapin
- Glucobrassicin
- Gluconapin
- Gluconapoleiferin
- Gluconasturtiin
- Glucoraphanin
- Neoglucobrassicin
- Progoitrin
- 4-Methoxyglucobrassicin
- Glucoerucin
- Glucoiberin
- Glucoiberverin
- Glucoalyssin
- Gluconapoleiferin

#### **PHENOLIC COMPOUNDS**

- Quercetin
- Kaempferol
- isorhamnetic derivatives

#### **ORGANIC ACIDS**

- Oxalic Acid
- Malic Acid
- Citric Acid
- Ascorbic Acid
- Aconitic Acid
- Ketoglutaric Acid
- Shikimic Acid
- Fumaric Acid



# AIM

Better understand the nutrient and phytochemical content of turnip greens to provide insight into the plant's health effects.

# **METHODS**

Systematic review of published studies evaluating the presence and levels of nutrients and bioactive components in turnip greens to provide a comprehensive nutritional profile and connections to human health.

Studies were included in review if they 1) used samples of turnip greens (the leaves) and 2) evaluated phytochemical content.

# OUTCOMES



## Studies

The review pulled out 18 highquality studies detailing the chemical composition of turnip greens



## **Phytochemicals**

129 unique phytochemicals categorized into 4 groups (glucosinolates, glucosinolatebreakdown products, organic acids, polyphenolic compounds)

## **MOST PREVALENT COMPOUNDS IN TURNIP GREENS**

59

Polyphenolic compounds including flavonoids

## **KEY FLAVONOIDS IDENTIFIED**

- Quercetin
- Kaempferol
- Isorhamnetin derivatives



Glucosinolates and 33 glucosinolate breakdown products

Organic acids