1 SUPPLMENTARY MATERIAL

2	GC-MS profiling of Vitex pinnata bark lipophilic extract and screening of its anti-TB and
3	cytotoxic activities.
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22 ABSTRACT

Tuberculosis is a highly infectious ailment worldwide. The emergence of multi-drug resistance and serious adverse effects 23 24 of anti-TB drugs have led to the continuous search of natural candidates. This study aimed to analyze the chemical profile of 25 Vitex pinnata (VP) bark lipophilic extract using GC-MS for the first time also evaluating its anti-TB and cytotoxic activities. 26 GC-MS revealed a total of 81 compounds which representing 86% identified compounds. In vitro anti-TB of VP lipophilic 27 extract was evaluated using the Microplate Alamar Blue Assay which exhibited MIC value of 62.5 µg/mL. In vitro 28 cytotoxicity was evaluated using Water Soluble formazan assay recording $IC_{50} > 100$ and 200 µg/mL using Vero and A-549 cell lines; respectively. In silico docking study was performed on the major identified compounds, n-nonane showed the 29 30 most favorable binding affinity (ΔG) equals to -33.34 Kcal/mol. The results obtained herein unraveled the potential use of 31 VP *n*- hexane extract as a natural anti-TB.

KEYWORDS: *Vitex pinnata* bark; GC-MS; anti-TB; Microplate Alamar Blue Assay; Cell viability; WST-1; Molecular
 docking

35 Experimental section

36 Plant material and solvents

37 *V. pinnata* bark was collected in November 2019 from a local plantation located in Gerik, Perak, Malaysia. The plant was

38 purchased and authenticated from ETHNO Resources Sdn. Bhd. (846944-K) herbal company, Selangor Malaysia

39 (http://ethnoherbs.net/). A voucher specimen (PHG-P-VP-302) was deposited in the herbarium of Pharmacognosy

40 Department, Faculty of Pharmacy, Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt. n-Hexane was purchased from Tedia® (Ohio, USA).

41 Preparation of the plant extract

42 Four kilograms of *V. pinnata* bark powder were defatted by *n*-hexane at room temperature then concentrated *in vacuo* using

43 rotary evaporator (Büchi Labortechnik GmbH, Essen, Germany). A yellowish extract (18.7 g) (0.46% w/w) was then

44 obtained and kept at -8°C till further analysis.

45 GC-MS analysis procedure

46 Diluted sample (1% v/v) of *n*-hexane extract of V. *pinnata* bark with *n*-hexane solvent was analyzed using GC-MS 47 (Shimadzu-QP2010, Koyoto, Japan) equipped with RTX-5MS fused bonded column (30 m x 0.25 mm i.d., x 0.25 µm film 48 thickness) (Restek, USA). The initial column temperature was maintained at 45°C for 2 min (isothermal), then programmed 49 to 300°C at a rate of 5°C/min and kept constant at 300°C for 5 min (isothermal). Injector temperature was 250°C. The flow 50 rate of helium as a carrier gas was 1.41 mL/min. All the mass spectra were recorded under the following conditions: 51 (equipment current) filament emission current, 60 mA; ionization voltage, 70 eV; ion source, 200°C. The sample was 52 injected at a split ratio 1: 15. Retention indices (RI) were calculated relative to standard n-alkanes series (C8-C40) injected 53 under similar conditions. Identification of compounds was performed by comparing the mass spectra and retention indices 54 with those of the National Institute of Standards and Technology NIST chemistry webbook library and literature (Abd El-55 Ghffar et al. 2017, Abd El-Ghffar et al. 2018, Adams 2007, Al-Sayed et al. 2021, Ashmawy et al. 2021, Ayoub et al. 2021, 56 Gad et al. 2021, Korany et al. 2021, Thabet et al. 2021).

57 Microplate Alamar Blue Assay (MABA)

58 MABA is an in vitro screening assay that allows for the quantitative determination of drug susceptibility against any strain 59 of replicating Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Nkenfou et al. 2015). Antimycobacterial activity was evaluated against Mtb 60 (ATCC 27294) strain obtained from the culture collection of the Regional Center for Mycology and Biotechnology (RCMB), Al-Azhar University (Cairo, Egypt), in which the susceptibility test was designed as previously described by 61 62 (Franzblau et al. 1998) with some modifications. Black, clear-bottomed, 96 well microplates, with outer perimeter wells 63 filled with sterile water to prevent well dehydration. The initial dilutions of VP n-hexane extract were prepared in dimethyl 64 sulfoxide (DMSO) followed by two-fold serial dilutions in the microplates. The test concentrations ranged between (125-65 0.24 µg/mL). Mtb inoculum was diluted and added with approximately 0.1 mL of (1x 10⁵ CFU/mL) to the wells containing 66 the VP n-hexane extract. Additional wells composed only from Mtb act as control. The microplates were incubated at 37°C 67 for 4 days. After the incubation period, 20 µL of Alamar blue solution (Alamar Biosciences/Accumed, Westlake, OH, USA) 68 and 12.5 µL of 20 % Tween 80 were added to the plates which were re-incubated at 37°C for 24 hours. The results were

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measured and recorded at 590 nm. Isoniazid (Sigma Aldrich, St. Louis, US) was used as a positive control with concentrations varying from (31.25-0.06 μ g/mL). Visual minimal inhibitory concentration (MIC) was defined as the lowest concentration of the extract that prevents color changing from blue color which represents "no mycobacterial growth" to pink color "growth occurrence". Also, it is defined as the lowest extract concentration inducing an inhibition of \geq 90% of bacterial growth (Lawal et al. 2011). The MIC₉₀ was evaluated as the concentration that prevents 90% of *Mtb* (Abdel-Aziz et al. 2020). The percent inhibition was calculated using the equation (Gamal El-Din et al. 2018):

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% Inhibition= $[1- (mean of test well/mean of bacterial wells)] \times 100$

76 Cell lines and culture condition

Normal African Green Monkey Kidney (Vero) cells and non-small cell lung cancer (A-549) cells were obtained from Nawah Scientific Inc., (Mokatam, Cairo, Egypt). For routine maintenance, the cell lines were grown in Gibco Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM) supplemented with 100 mg/mL of streptomycin, 100 units/mL of penicillin and 10% of heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum humidified in an atmosphere of 5% (ν/ν) CO₂ at 37°C.

81 In vitro cell viability and cytotoxicity using WST-1 assay

82 Cell viability assay is a colorimetric quantitative assay which measures the ability of cellular cleavage of the water-soluble 83 tetrazolium salt using cellular mitochondrial dehydrogenase to dark yellow formazan dye (Kamiloglu et al. 2020). The 84 number of viable cells is directly proportional to the amount of the dye produced using mitochondrial dehydrogenase. The 85 cell viability was assessed by cell proliferation reagent WST-1 using Abcam® kit (ab155902 WST-1 Cell Proliferation 86 Reagent). Vero and A-549 cells were seeded with 50 μ L of culture medium (3x10³ cells) using a 96-well plate. After 24-87 hour incubation, 50 µL culture media containing the VP n-hexane extract was added to cell lines at 10-fold serial dilution 88 (100, 10, 1, 0.1, and 0.01 µg/mL) for Vero cells and (200, 20, 2, 0.2, and 0.02 µg/mL) for A-549 cells. After 48-hour 89 incubation, 10 µL of WST-1 reagent was added to the treated cells. The absorbance was measured at 450 nm using a BMG LABTECH®- fluostar Omega microplate reader (Allmendgrün, Ortenberg, Germany). The results were performed in 90 91 triplicates.

The inhibitory concentration of cell growth (IC₅₀) was assessed as the 50% reduction of U.V absorbance of treated
cells *versus* control culture (Ahmad et al. 2010). The IC₅₀ value was determined using Sigma Plot software, version 12.0
(System Software, San Jose, CA, USA).

- 95 The percentage of cell viability was calculated using the following equation (Kamiloglu et al. 2020).
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Mean OD (blank)

x 100

100 Whereas OD (sample)=Mean optical density of wells treated with the tested sample and OD (blank)=Mean optical density of101 untreated cells.

Mean OD (sample)

102 The relation between viable cells (%) and the extract concentrations (µg/mL) is plotted to get the survival curve on each cell103 lines after treatment.

104 In silico molecular docking study

105 The crystal structure of the molecular target *Mtb* C171Q receptor KasA inhibitor was retrieved from Protein Data Bank 106 (http://www.rscb.org/pdb/) with PDB ID code (4C6X, 1.95 Å). The molecular docking was performed using Discovery 107 Studio 4.5 software (Accelrys Inc., San Diego, CA, USA) by employing the C-docker algorithm as previously described 108 (Ayoub et al. 2021, M Elkady et al. 2020). Validation of the docking procedure using C-docker protocol was achieved by 109 calculating the root-mean-square deviations (RMSD) of thiolactomycin, the co-crystalized ligand that docked within the 110 pocket of the active center and comparing it with the original co-crystallized inhibitor.

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112 Tables (S1-S3)

113 Table S1. Chemical profiling of *n*-hexane extract of *V. pinnata* bark identified using GC-MS

Peak	Compound Name	Molecular	Rt	Area	RI [*]	RI	Class	Identification
No.		Formula	(min)	%	Obs.	Lit.		
1	<i>n</i> -Nonane	C ₉ H ₂₀	6.075	3.95	900	900	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
2	2,6-Dimethyloctane	C10H22	7.055	1.65	934	935	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
3	2-Methyl nonane	$C_{10}H_{22}$	7.995	0.49	966	962	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
4	2,3-Dimethyl-2-octene	$C_{10}H_{20}$	8.3	3.55	976	977	Acyclic alkenes	MS, RI
5	(E)-p-Menthane	$C_{10}H_{20}$	8.572	1.90	985	984	Cyclic monoterpenes	MS, RI
6	<i>n</i> -Decane	C10H22	9.157	4.55	1005	999	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
7	2,3-Dimethyl nonane	C11H24	9.745	1.69	1023	1024	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
8	Butyl cyclohexane	C10H20	10.121	1.48	1035	1031	Cyclic hydrocarbons	MS, RI
9	(E)-Decahydronaphthalene	C10H18	10.843	2.57	1058	1057	Aromatic hydrocarbons	MS, RI
10	5-Methyl decane	C11H24	10.945	0.65	1061	1058	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
11	4-Methyl decane	C11H24	11.045	0.63	1064	1059	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
12	2-Methyl decane	C11H24	11.160	1.53	1068	1061	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
13	3-Methyl decane	C11H24	11.365	1.64	1074	1069	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
14	<i>n</i> -Undecane	C11H24	12.360	14.51	1106	1099	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
15	2-	C11H20	12.618	0.77	1114	1115	Aromatic hydrocarbons	MS, RI
	Methyldecahydronaphthalene							_
16	Pentyl cyclohexane	C11H22	13.38	1.22	1122	1130	Cyclic hydrocarbons	MS, RI
17	6-Methyl undecane	$C_{12}H_{26}$	14	1.39	1155	1155	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
18	4-Methyl undecane	$C_{12}H_{26}$	14.155	0.76	1164	1160	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
19	2-Methyl undecane	$C_{12}H_{26}$	14.297	2.1	1168	1167	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
20	3-Methyl undecane	$C_{12}H_{26}$	14.494	0.98	1174	1171	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
21	<i>n</i> -Dodecane	$C_{12}H_{26}$	15.459	9.93	1206	1199	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
22	3,6-Dimethyl undecane	C13H28	15.818	1.1	1218	1210	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
23	6-Methyl dodecane	$C_{13}H_{28}$	16.951	0.2	1256	1253	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
24	2-Methyl dodecane	$C_{13}H_{28}$	17.278	0.23	1268	1268	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI

25	4,6-Dimethyl dodecane	C14H30	17.534	0.17	1276	1285	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
26	n-Tridecane	C13H28	18.334	0.31	1304	1300	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
27	Phenyl cyclohexane	C ₁₂ H ₁₆	18.98	0.02	1309	1308	Cyclic Hydrocarbons	MS, RI
28	2-Methyl tridecane	C14H30	20.11	0.11	1368	1365	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
29	2,6,10-Trimethyl dodecane	C15H32	20.464	0.12	1380	1379	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
30	<i>n</i> -Tetradecane	C14H30	21.116	1.11	1404	1399	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
31	2,6-Dimethyl naphthalene	C ₁₂ H ₁₂	21.397	0.24	1415	1416	Aromatic hydrocarbons	MS, RI
32	1,3-Dimethyl naphthalene	C ₁₂ H ₁₂	21.805	0.43	1430	1427	Aromatic hydrocarbons	MS, RI
33	2,6,10-Trimethyl tridecane	C ₁₆ H ₃₄	22.748	0.48	1468	1465	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
34	a-Curcumene	C ₁₅ H ₂₂	23.426	0.98	1492	1493	Sesquiterpenes	MS, RI
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35	β -Eudesma-4(14),11-diene	C15H24	23.6	0.09	1478	1478	Sesquiterpenes	MS, RI
36	n-Pentadecane	C ₁₅ H ₃₂	23.737	1.1	1504	1500	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
37	a-Muurolene	C ₁₅ H ₂₄	23.93	0.2	1512	1511	Sesquiterpenes	MS, RI
38	β -Bisabolene	C15H24	24.087	0.09	1518	1518	Oxygenated	MS, RI
							sesquiterpenes	
39	2,4-Di-tert-butylphenol	C ₁₄ H ₂₂ O	24.2	0.07	1523	1521	Alkyl phenol	MS, RI
40	δ -Cadinene	C15H24	24.512	0.16	1536	1536	Sesquiterpenes	MS, RI
41	2-Methyl pentadecane	C16H34	25.308	0.11	1568	1569	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
42	Nonane, 1-phenyl	C15H24	25.595	0.06	1579	1586	Alkylbenzene	MS, RI
43	Ar-Turmerol	C ₁₅ H ₂₂ O	25.91	0.15	1592	1594	Sesquiterpene	MS, RI
							alcohol	
44	1-Hexadecene	C ₁₆ H ₃₂	26.045	0.28	1597	1593	Acyclic alkenes	MS, RI
45	<i>n</i> -Hexadecane	C16H34	26.214	1.76	1604	1600	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
46	Epicurzerenone	C15H18O2	26.574	0.15	1620	1623	Oxygenated	MS, RI
							sesquiterpenes	
47	α -Humulene epoxide II	$C_{15}H_{24}O$	26.72	0.07	1626	1620	Oxygenated	MS, RI
							sesquiterpenes	
48	(1-Butylheptyl) benzene	$C_{17}H_{28}$	27.135	0.26	1644	1633	Alkylbenzene	MS, RI
49	2-Methyl hexadecane	C17H36	27.7	0.13	1668	1666	Alkylbenzene	MS, RI
50	Ar-Turmerone	$C_{15}H_{20}O$	27.97	0.37	1671	1670	Sesquiterpene	MS, RI
							alcohol	
51	Norphytan	$C_{19}H_{40}$	28.688	0.51	1709	1707	Acyclic diterpenes	MS, RI
52	(1-Pentylheptyl) benzene	C18H30	29.312	0.13	1735	1727	Alkylbenzene	MS, RI
53	(1-Butyloctyl) benzene	$C_{18}H_{30}$	29.42	0.28	1740	1731	Alkylbenzene	MS, RI
54	(-)-Xanthorrhizol	C15H22O	29.951	0.32	1761	1758	Sesquiterpene	MS, RI
							alcohol	
55	α-Octadecene	C18H36	30.648	0.11	1792	1792	Acyclic alkenes	MS, RI
56	n-Octadecane	C18H38	30.793	0.6	1796	1800	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI
57	2-Methyloctadecane	C19H40	32.14	0.1	1865	1867	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI

58	1-Nonadecene	$C_{19}H_{38}$	32.915	0.48	1905	1899	Acyclic alkenes	MS, RI	
59	Palmitic acid, methyl ester	$C_{17}H_{34}O_2$	33.515	0.12	1935	1933	Fatty acid ester	MS, RI	
60	<i>n</i> -Eicosane	C20H42	34.94	0.52	2005	2000	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
61	2-Methyl eicosane	C21H44	36.17	0.07	2069	2064	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
62	1-Octadecanol	C18H38 O	36.327	0.13	2077	2077	Fatty alcohol	MS, RI	
63	<i>n</i> -Heneicosane	C21H44	36.876	0.41	2106	2100	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
64	Phytol	$C_{20}H_{40}O$	37.22	0.31	2124	2122	Acyclic diterpene	MS, RI	
							alcohol		
65	<i>n</i> -Docosane	C22H46	38.733	0.54	2206	2200	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
66	<i>n</i> -Tricosane	C23H48	40.511	0.62	2307	2300	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
67	<i>n</i> -Tetracosane	C24H50	42.210	0.92	2406	2400	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
68	<i>n</i> -Pentacosane	C25H52	43.860	1.46	2508	2500	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
69	<i>n</i> -Hexacosane	C26H54	45.425	0.43	2608	2600	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
70	<i>n</i> -Octacosane	C28H58	48.412	0.54	2804	2800	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
71	Squalene	C30H50	48.949	0.31	2846	2847	Triterpenes	MS, RI	
72	<i>n</i> -Nonacosane	C29H60	49.825	0.3	2909	2900	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
73	24-Norursa-3,12-diene	C29H46	52.355	0.31	3098	3105	Triterpenes	MS, RI	
74	<i>n</i> -Hentriacontane	C31H64	52.52	0.2	3110	3100	Acyclic alkanes	MS, RI	
75	Campesterol	C ₂₈ H ₄₈ O	54.895	0.65	3178	3131	Sterol	MS	
76	Stigmasterol	C29H48O	55.410	1.73	3277	3275	Sterol	MS, RI	
77	γ-Sitosterol	C ₂₉ H ₅₀ O	56.430	3.54	3343	3341	Sterol	MS, RI	
78	Lupenone	C30H48O	57.605	0.43	3419	3384	Triterpenes	MS	
79	4,22-Stigmastadiene-3-one	C29H46O	57.830	0.26	3430	3399	Sterol	MS	
80	Lupeol	C30H50O	58.055	0.62	3441	3451	Triterpenes	MS, RI	
81	4-Stigmasten-3-one	C29H48O	59.045	0.56	3445	3435	Sterol	MS, RI	
	(Sitostenone)								

Total hydrocarbons (%)	72.04
Total terpenes (%)	6.97
Total sterols (%)	6.74
Miscellaneous (%)	0.25
Total identified compounds (%)	86

RI: Retention index calculated on RTX-5MS column relative to *n*-alkane series (C₈-C₄₀), Compounds are listed in order of their elution on RTX-5MS GC
 column. MS: Identification based on mass spectral data and RI: identification based on comparison with published retention indices in National Institute of
 Standards and Technology NIST chemistry webbook library and identification of essential oil components by Gas Chromatography/Quadrupole Mass
 Spectrometry and literature.

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Table S2: Minimal inhibitory concentration (μg/mL) and 90% minimal inhibitory concentration (μg/mL) of *n*-hexane
 extract and 50% concentration of *n*-hexane extract in combination with 50% concentration of isoniazid.

Samples	MIC (µg/mL)	MIC ₉₀ (μg/mL)

VP <i>n</i> -Hexane extract	62.5	45.7
50% concentration VP <i>n</i> -hexane	31.4	13.2
extract +50% concentration isoniazid		
Isoniazid (positive control)	0.24	0.17

123 Table S3: Free binding energies (Kcal/mol) of the major identified compounds within the active site of *Mtb* C171Q receptor

124 KasA inhibitor (4C6X) using Discovery Studio 4.5 software.

Compound Name	Free Binding Energy (ΔG)
	(Kcal/mol)
<i>n</i> -Nonane	-33.34
<i>n</i> -Undecane	-32.51
2-Methyldecane	-31.96
6-Methylundecane	-31.91
<i>n</i> -Tetradecane	-31.78
<i>n</i> -Decane	-31.53
2,6-Dimethyloctane	-31.37
<i>n</i> -Pentadecane	-31.13
3-Methyl decane	-29.79
<i>n</i> -Dodecane	-29.39
2-Methyl undecane	-29.06
3,6-Dimethyl undecane	-27.16
2,3-Dimethy Inonane	-26.35
Butyl cyclohexane	-26.12
Pentyl cyclohexane	-24.91
Isoniazid	-20.85
(E)-p-Menthane	-19.07
Co-crystallized ligand (Thiolactomycin)	-10.59
(E)-Decahydronaphthalene	-10.35
2,3-Dimethyl-2-octene	0.64
γ-Sitosterol	FD
Stigmasterol	FD

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Positive values indicate unfavorable binding

Figures (S1-S6)















133 Figure S3. Effect of different concentration (µg/mL) of *n*-hexane extract and 50% concentration of *n*-hexane extract in

134 combination with 50% concentration of isoniazid on TB inhibitory (%) in comparison with positive standard (isoniazid).



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- 139 Figure S5. 2D and 3D binding behavior of *n*-nonane (A), *n*-undecane (B), 2-methyldecane (C), isoniazid (D),
- thiolactomycin; the co-crystallized ligand (E), within the active site of *Mtb* C171Q receptor KasA inhibitor (4C6X) using Cdocker protocol.



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- 143 **Figure S6**. Validation of the docking experiment.

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