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CHEMICAL COMPOSITION AND ANTIOXIDANT POTENTIAL OF WALNUT (*JUGLANS REGIA*) STONE LEAVES

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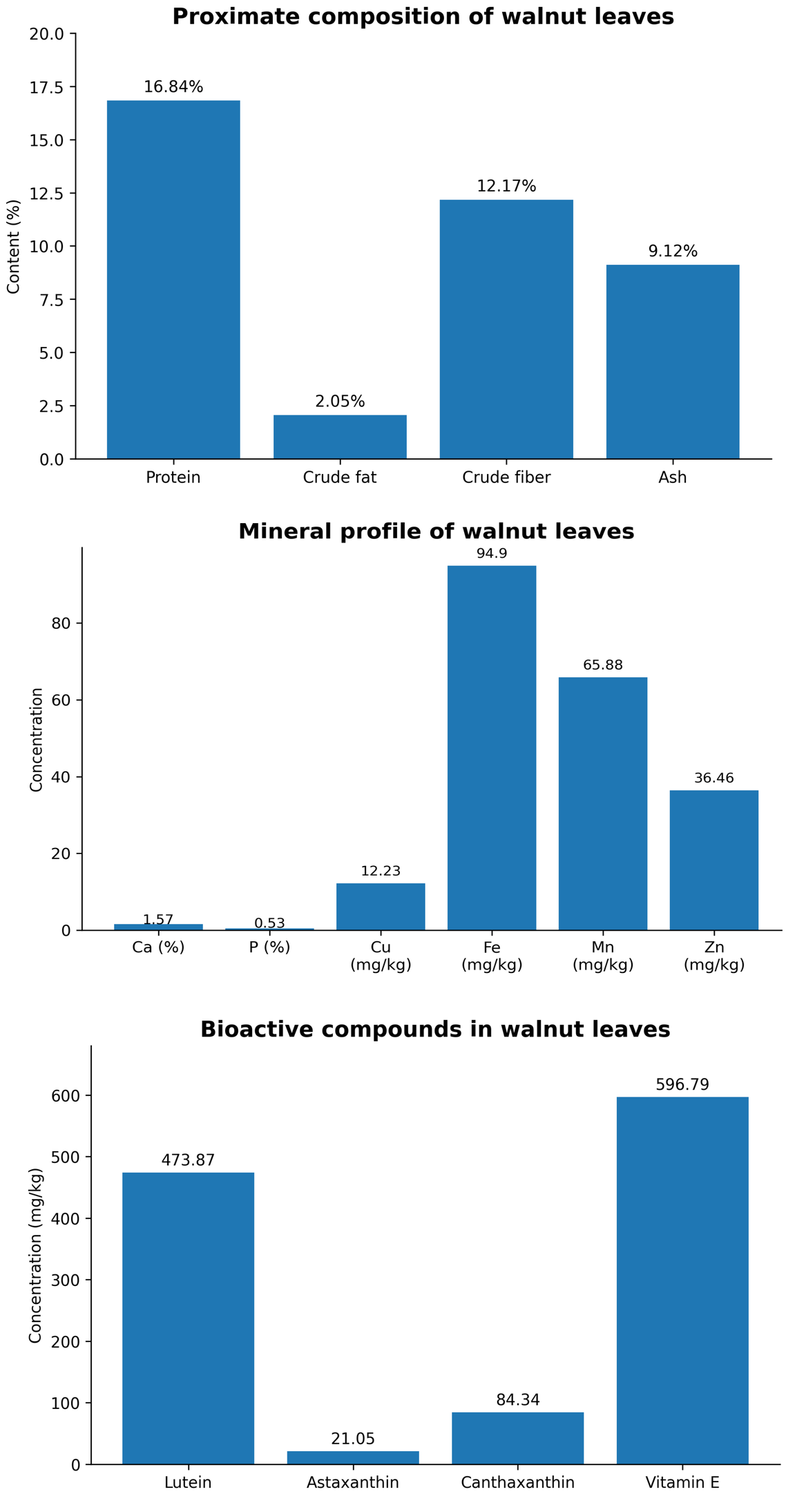
Introduction

Walnut leaves represent a sustainable plant resource rich in nutrients and antioxidant bioactive compounds. Their phytochemical profile supports potential applications as natural ingredients in functional foods, nutraceuticals, feed additives and antioxidant formulations.

Material and method

The analytical determinations were carried out using standard chemical analyses to evaluate proximate composition and specific analytical methods for mineral elements (Ca, P, Cu, Fe, Mn, Zn) and bioactive compounds (carotenoids and vitamin E), total polyphenols content and antioxidant capacity (DPPH).

Results and discussions



Conclusions

These results highlight their relevance use as raw material in the development of functional products and natural supplements, while also highlighting the need for further studies on bioavailability and biological effects.

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