

Figure S1.

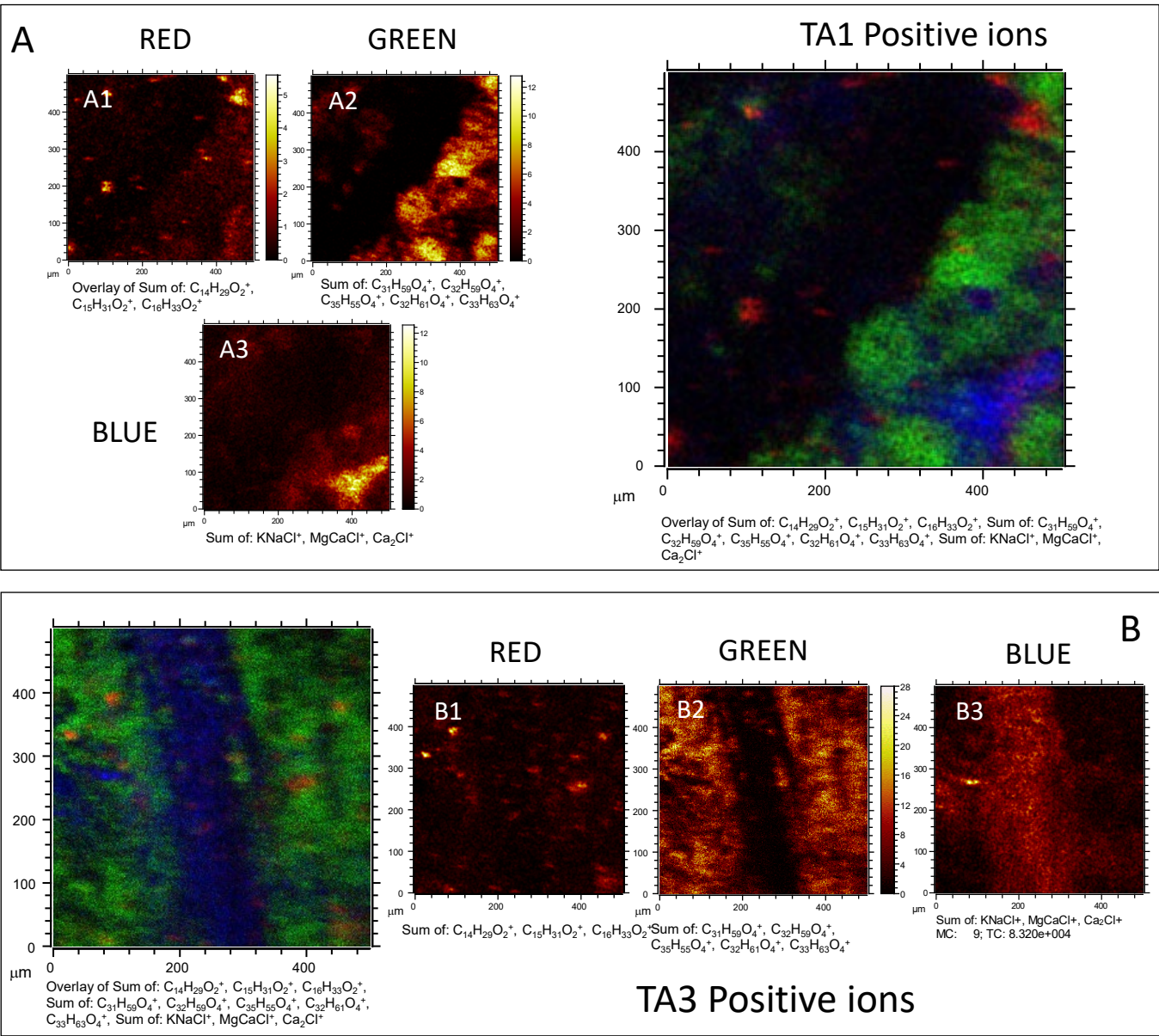


Figure S2.

Table S1. *n*-Fatty acid list extracted from sample95E5/2 using GC-MS

| Acid fraction | | |
|---|--|--|
| Compound (as methyl esters) | Molecular formula as methyl esters | Fatty acid formula |
| Butanoic acid, 3-hydroxy-, methyl ester | C ₅ H ₁₀ O ₃ | C ₄ H ₈ O ₃ |
| Hexanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₇ H ₁₄ O ₂ | C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₂ |
| Octanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₉ H ₁₈ O ₂ | C ₈ H ₁₆ O ₂ |
| Nonanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₀ H ₂₀ O ₂ | C ₉ H ₁₈ O ₂ |
| Hexanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C ₈ H ₁₄ O ₄ | C ₆ H ₁₀ O ₄ |
| Decanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₁ H ₂₂ O ₂ | C ₁₀ H ₂₀ O ₂ |
| Methyl 8-oxooctanoate, methyl ester | C ₉ H ₁₆ O ₃ | C ₈ H ₁₆ O ₃ |
| Heptanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C ₉ H ₁₆ O ₄ | C ₇ H ₁₂ O ₄ |
| Methyl 3,4-di-O-methyl-β-L-arabinopyranoside | C ₉ H ₁₆ O ₅ | C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₅ |
| Undecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₂ H ₂₄ O ₂ | C ₁₁ H ₂₂ O ₂ |
| Nonanoic acid, 9-oxo-, methyl ester | C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₃ | C ₉ H ₁₆ O ₃ |
| Octanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₄ | C ₈ H ₁₄ O ₄ |
| Nonanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C ₁₁ H ₂₀ O ₄ | C ₉ H ₁₆ O ₄ |
| Dodecanoic acid, 4-methyl-, methyl ester (<i>i</i> C ₁₂) | C ₁₄ H ₂₈ O ₂ | C ₁₃ H ₂₆ O ₂ |
| Tridecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₄ H ₂₈ O ₂ | C ₁₃ H ₂₆ O ₂ |
| Dodecanoic acid, 10-methyl-, methyl ester (<i>a</i> C ₁₂) | C ₁₄ H ₂₈ O ₂ | C ₁₃ H ₂₆ O ₂ |
| Decanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C ₁₂ H ₂₂ O ₄ | C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₄ |
| Tridecanoic acid, 12-methyl-, methyl ester (<i>i</i> C ₁₃) | C ₁₅ H ₃₀ O ₂ | C ₁₄ H ₂₈ O ₂ |
| Tetradecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₅ H ₃₀ O ₂ | C ₁₄ H ₂₆ O ₂ |
| Undecanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C ₁₃ H ₂₄ O ₄ | C ₁₁ H ₂₀ O ₄ |
| Tetradecanoic acid, 12-methyl-, methyl ester (<i>i</i> C ₁₄) | C ₁₆ H ₃₂ O ₂ | C ₁₅ H ₃₀ O ₂ |
| Methyl 13-methyltetradecanoate, methyl ester (<i>i</i> C ₁₄) | C ₁₆ H ₃₂ O ₂ | C ₁₅ H ₃₀ O ₂ |
| Pentadecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₆ H ₃₂ O ₂ | C ₁₅ H ₃₀ O ₂ |
| Methyl hexadec-9-enoate | C ₁₇ H ₃₂ O ₂ | C ₁₆ H ₃₂ O ₂ |
| Hexadecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₇ H ₃₄ O ₂ | C ₁₆ H ₃₂ O ₂ |
| Hexadecanoic acid, 15-methyl-, methyl ester (<i>a</i> C16) | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O ₂ | C ₁₇ H ₃₄ O ₂ |
| Hexadecanoic acid, 14-methyl-, methyl ester (<i>i</i> C16) | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O ₂ | C ₁₇ H ₃₄ O ₂ |
| Heptadecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O ₂ | C ₁₇ H ₃₄ O ₂ |
| Octadecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₉ H ₃₈ O ₂ | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O ₂ |
| Octadecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₉ H ₃₈ O ₂ | C ₁₈ H ₃₆ O ₂ |
| 11-Octadecenoic acid, methyl ester | C ₁₉ H ₃₆ O ₂ | C ₁₈ H ₃₄ O ₂ |
| Nonadecanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₀ H ₄₀ O ₂ | C ₂₀ H ₄₀ O ₂ |
| Eicosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₁ H ₄₂ O ₂ | C ₂₀ H ₄₀ O ₂ |
| Heneicosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₂ H ₄₄ O ₂ | C ₂₁ H ₄₂ O ₂ |
| Docosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₃ H ₄₆ O ₂ | C ₂₂ H ₄₄ O ₂ |
| Tricosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₄ H ₄₈ O ₂ | C ₂₃ H ₄₆ O ₂ |
| Tetracosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₅ H ₅₀ O ₂ | C ₂₄ H ₄₈ O ₂ |
| Pentacosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₆ H ₅₂ O ₂ | C ₂₅ H ₅₀ O ₂ |
| Hexacosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₇ H ₅₄ O ₂ | C ₂₆ H ₅₂ O ₂ |
| Tricosanoic acid, 10,14,18,22-tetramethyl-, methyl ester | C ₂₈ H ₅₆ O ₂ | C ₂₇ H ₅₄ O ₂ |
| Octacosanoic acid, methyl ester | C ₂₉ H ₅₈ O ₂ | C ₂₈ H ₅₆ O ₂ |

Table S2. Branched, unsaturated and dicarboxylic acids from sample 95E5/2 using GC-MS.

| Iso/anteiso fatty acid | Molecular formula as methyl esters | Alkanoic acid formula | Reference name |
|--|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Methyl 11-methyl-dodecanoate | C14H28O2 | C13H26O2 | 11-isoC12 |
| Dodecanoic acid, 10-methyl-, methyl ester | C14H28O2 | C13H26O2 | 12-anteisoC12 |
| Tridecanoic acid, 12-methyl-, methyl ester | C15H30O2 | C14H28O2 | 12-isoC13 |
| Methyl 13-methyltetradecanoate | C17H34O2 | C16H32O2 | 13-isoC15 |
| Tetradecanoic acid, 12-methyl-, methyl ester | C17H34O2 | C16H32O2 | 12-anteisoC15 |
| Hexadecanoic acid, 15-methyl-, methyl ester | C18H36O2 | C17H34O2 | 15-isoC17 |
| Hexadecanoic acid, 14-methyl-, methyl ester | C18H36O2 | C17H34O2 | 14-anteisoC17 |
| Methyl 20-methyl-heneicosanoate | C23H46O2 | C22H44O2 | 20-isoC21 |
| Methyl 21-methyl-heneicosanoate | C23H46O2 | C22H44O2 | 21-anteisoC21 |
| Methyl 21-methyldocosanoate | C24H48O2 | C23H46O2 | 21-isoC22 |
| Methyl 20-methyl-docosanoate | C24H48O2 | C23H46O2 | 20-anteisoC22 |
| Methyl 21-methyl-tetracosanoate | C26H52O2 | C25H50O2 | 21-isoC24 |
| Methyl 22-methyl-tetracosanoate | C26H52O2 | C25H50O2 | 22-anteisoC24 |
| Methyl indet methyl-pentacosanoate | C27H54O2 | C26H52O2 | IsoC25 |
| Methyl 20-methyl-hexacosanoate | C28H56O2 | C27H54O2 | 20-isoC27 |
| Methyl 21-methyl-hexacosanoate | C28H56O2 | C27H54O2 | 21-anteisoC27 |
| | | | |
| Methyl branched fatty acid | Molecular formula as methyl esters | Alkanoic acid formula | Reference name |
| Methyl 8-oxooctanoate | | | |
| Undecanoic acid, 10-methyl-, methyl ester | C13H26O2 | C12H24O2 | 10Me-C11 |
| Dodecanoic acid, 4-methyl-, methyl ester | C14H28O2 | C13H26O2 | 4Me-C12 |
| Methyl Z-11-tetradecenoate | C16H30O2 | C14H26O2 | 11Me-C14:1 |
| Pentadecanoic acid, 14-methyl-, methyl ester | C17H34O2 | C16H32O2 | 14Me-C15 |
| Pentadecanoic acid, 13-methyl-, methyl ester | C17H34O2 | C16H32O2 | 13Me-C15 |
| Methyl 10-methyl-hexadecanoate | C18H36O2 | C17H34O2 | 10Me-C16 |
| | | | |
| Unsaturated n-FAs | Molecular formula as methyl esters | Alkanoic acid formula | Reference name |
| 9,12-Octadecadienoic acid (Z,Z)-, methyl ester | C19H34O2 | C18H32O2 | C18:2w9,12 |
| 9-Octadecenoic acid (Z)-, methyl ester | C19H36O2 | C18H34O2 | C18:1w9 |
| 11-Octadecenoic acid, methyl ester | C19H36O2 | C18H34O2 | C18:1w11 |
| | | | |
| Dicarboxylic fatty acids | Molecular formula as methyl esters | Alkanoic acid formula | Reference name |
| Hexanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C8H14O4 | C6H10O4 | di-C16 |
| Octanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C10H18O4 | C8H14O4 | di-C18 |
| Nonanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C11H20O4 | C9H16O4 | di-C19 |
| Docosanedioic acid, dimethyl ester | C24H46O4 | C22H42O4 | di-C22 |

Table S3. Polar fraction extracted from sample 95E5/2 using GC-MS.

| Polar fraction | | |
|---|--|--|
| Compound | TMS molecular formula | Molecular formula |
| 2-Ethylhexanol, TMS derivative | C ₁₁ H ₂₆ OSi | C ₈ H ₁₈ O |
| 3-Octen-2-ol, (E)-, TMS derivative | C ₁₁ H ₂₄ OSi | C ₈ H ₁₆ O |
| 2-Octene, 2-(trimethylsilyloxy)- | C ₁₁ H ₂₄ OSi | C ₈ H ₁₆ O |
| Diethylene glycol, 2TMS derivative | C ₁₀ H ₂₆ O ₃ Si ₂ | C ₄ H ₁₀ O ₃ |
| Glycerol, 3TMS derivative | C ₁₂ H ₃₂ O ₃ Si ₃ | C ₃ H ₈ O ₃ |
| 1,12-Dodecanediol, 2TMS derivative | C ₁₈ H ₄₂ O ₂ Si ₂ | C ₁₂ H ₂₆ O ₂ |
| Benzene, 2,4-diisocyanato-1-methyl- phenoxyethanol, TMS derivative | C ₉ H ₆ N ₂ O ₂ C ₁₁ H ₁₈ O ₂ Si | C ₉ H ₆ N ₂ O ₂ C ₈ H ₁₀ O ₂ |
| 1-Undecanol, TBDMS derivative | C ₁₇ H ₃₈ OSi | C ₁₁ H ₂₄ O |
| Triethylene glycol, 2TMS derivative | C ₁₂ H ₃₀ O ₄ Si ₂ | C ₆ H ₁₄ O ₄ |
| Tripropylene glycol monomethyl ether, TMS derivative | C ₁₃ H ₃₀ O ₄ Si | C ₇ H ₁₆ O ₃ |
| 1-Dodecanol, TMS derivative | C ₁₅ H ₃₄ OSi | C ₁₂ H ₂₆ O |
| 1-Tridecanol, TMS derivative | C ₁₆ H ₃₆ OSi | C ₁₃ H ₂₈ O |
| Pimelic acid, 2TMS derivative | C ₁₃ H ₂₈ O ₄ Si ₂ | C ₇ H ₁₂ O ₄ |
| 2-Phenylisopropanol, TMS derivative | C ₁₂ H ₂₀ OSi | C ₉ H ₁₂ O |
| 1-Tetradecanol, TMS derivative | C ₁₇ H ₃₈ OSi | C ₁₄ H ₃₀ O |
| 1-Pentadecanol, TMS derivative | C ₁₈ H ₄₀ OSi | C ₁₅ H ₃₂ O |
| 1-Hexadecanol, TMS derivative | C ₁₉ H ₄₂ OSi | C ₁₆ H ₃₄ O |
| 1-Heptadecanol, TMS derivative | C ₂₀ H ₄₄ OSi | C ₁₇ H ₃₆ O |
| 1-Octadecanol, TMS derivative | C ₂₁ H ₄₆ OSi | C ₁₈ H ₃₈ O |
| 1-Nonadecanol, TMS derivative | C ₂₂ H ₄₈ OSi | C ₁₉ H ₄₀ O |
| 18-Methyl-nonadecanol, trimethylsilyl ether | C ₂₃ H ₅₀ OSi | C ₂₀ H ₄₂ O |
| 1-Heneicosanol, TMS derivative | C ₂₄ H ₅₂ OSi | C ₂₁ H ₄₄ O |
| 1-Monopalmitoylglycerol trimethylsilyl ether | C ₂₅ H ₅₄ O ₄ Si ₂ | C ₁₉ H ₃₈ O ₄ |
| 1-Tricosanol, TMS derivative | C ₂₆ H ₅₆ OSi | C ₂₃ H ₄₈ O |
| 1-Tetracosanol, TMS derivative | C ₂₇ H ₅₈ OSi | C ₂₄ H ₅₀ O |
| Glycerol monostearate, 2TMS derivative | C ₂₇ H ₅₈ O ₄ Si ₂ | C ₂₁ H ₄₂ O ₄ |
| 1-Hexacosanol, TMS derivative | C ₂₉ H ₆₂ OSi | C ₂₆ H ₅₄ O |
| 1-Octacosanol, TMS derivative | C ₃₁ H ₆₆ OSi | C ₂₈ H ₅₆ O |
| 1-Monooleoylglycerol, 2TMS derivative | C ₂₇ H ₅₆ O ₄ Si ₂ | C ₂₁ H ₄₀ O ₄ |
| Benzenepropanoic acid, 3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-4-trimethylsilyloxy-, octadecyl ester | C ₃₈ H ₇₀ O ₃ Si | C ₁₈ H ₂₈ O ₃ |

| Sterols | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Compound | TMS derivative formula | Molecular formula |
| Cholesta-4,6-dien-3-ol, (3β)- (cholestadienol=desmosterol) | C ₃₀ H ₅₂ OSi | C ₂₇ H ₄₄ O |
| Cholest-5-en-3-ol (cholesterol) | C ₃₀ H ₅₄ OSi | C ₂₇ H ₄₆ O |
| Ergosta-5,22-dien-3-ol, acetate, (3β,22E)- (ergostadienol) | C ₃₁ H ₅₄ OSi | C ₂₈ H ₄₆ O |
| Ergost-5-en-3 beta- ol, 24S (campesterol) | C ₃₁ H ₅₆ OSi | C ₂₈ H ₄₈ O |
| Stigmast-5-en-3-ol, (3β,24S)- (stigmastenol/b-sitosterol) | C ₃₂ H ₅₈ OSi | C ₂₉ H ₅₀ O |
| Stigmastanol, (3β,5β,24S) (stigmastanol) | C ₃₂ H ₆₀ OSi | C ₂₉ H ₅₂ O |

Table S4. Organic ratios utilized for unraveling the origins of n-alkanes and n-fatty acids from the GC/MS data.

| Name | Equation | Result | Interpetation |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|
| Average Carbon Length (ACL) | $ACL = \frac{\sum_{n=11}^{33} n \cdot C_n}{\sum_{n=11}^{33} C_n}$ | $n - alkanoic\ acids$ $ACL = 18$ | derived from microbial sources [1] |
| Carbon Preference Index (CPI) | $CPI = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{C_{13} + C_{15} + C_{17} + C_{19} + C_{21} + C_{23} + C_{25} + C_{27} + C_{29} + C_{31} + C_{33}}{C_{12} + C_{14} + C_{16} + C_{18} + C_{20} + C_{22} + C_{24} + C_{26} + C_{28} + C_{30} + C_{32}} \right) +$ $+ \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{C_{13} + C_{15} + C_{17} + C_{19} + C_{21} + C_{23} + C_{25} + C_{27} + C_{29} + C_{31} + C_{33}}{C_{14} + C_{16} + C_{18} + C_{20} + C_{22} + C_{24} + C_{26} + C_{28} + C_{30} + C_{32}} \right)$ <div>$n - alkanoic\ acids$$CPI = 3.73$</div> | | extant biomass [2, 3] |
| Prokaryotic over eukaryotic sources (LMW/HMW) | $where\ LMW \leq nC_{20}\ and\ HMW \geq nC_{21}$ $\frac{LMW}{HMW} = \frac{\sum_{n=12}^{20} C_n}{\sum_{m=21}^{34} C_m}$ | $n-alkanoic\ acids$ $LMW/HMW = 5.46$ | predominance of prokaryotic origin [4, 5] |

Table S5. [M + H - H2O]⁺ and [M - H]⁻ fragments of fatty acids indentified through ToF-SIMS in sample 95E5/3

| FA | m/z | [M + H - H ₂ O] ⁺ | error (ppm) | Intensity (cps) | m/z | [M - H] ⁻ | error (ppm) | FA | Intensity (cps) |
|-------|--------|---|-------------|-----------------|--------|----------------------|-------------|-------|-----------------|
| C4:1 | 69.03 | C4H5O+ | 4.87 | 2184 | 85.03 | C4H5O2- | 9.54 | C4:1 | - |
| C4:0 | 71.05 | C4H7O+ | 8.64 | 2029 | 87.05 | C4H7O2- | 12.75 | C4:0 | 979 |
| C5:1 | 83.05 | C5H7O+ | 3.63 | 1872 | 99.05 | C5H7O2- | 26.65 | C5:1 | 1506 |
| C5:0 | 85.06 | C5H9O+ | -1.63 | 1005 | 101.06 | C5H9O2- | -18.87 | C5:0 | - |
| C6:2 | 95.05 | C6H7O+ | 21.58 | 984 | 111.05 | C6H7O2- | 11.46 | C6:2 | - |
| C6:1 | 97.07 | C6H9O+ | 42.49 | 1280 | 113.06 | C6H9O2- | 15.72 | C6:1 | - |
| C6:0 | 99.08 | C6H11O+ | -1.61 | 598 | 115.08 | C6H11O2- | 4.36 | C6:0 | 475 |
| C7:1 | 111.09 | C7H11O+ | 47.14 | 601 | 127.08 | C7H11O2- | 0.00 | C7:1 | 1473 |
| C7:0 | 113.09 | C7H13O+ | -10.18 | 218 | 129.09 | C7H13O2- | 12.20 | C7:0 | 348 |
| C8:1 | 123.10 | C8H13O+ | 14.83 | 242 | 141.09 | C8H13O2- | 9.10 | C8:1 | 1101 |
| C8:0 | 125.10 | C8H15O+ | 30.23 | 242 | 143.11 | C8H15O2- | -8.71 | C8:0 | 377 |
| C9:2 | 137.10 | C9H13O+ | 2.76 | 180 | 153.09 | C9H13O2- | -5.51 | C9:2 | 221 |
| C9:1 | 139.11 | C9H15O+ | -7.76 | 91 | 155.11 | C9H15O2- | 1.79 | C9:1 | 874 |
| C9:0 | 141.13 | C9H17O+ | 3.31 | 70 | 157.12 | C9H17O2- | -25.64 | C9:0 | 311 |
| C10:2 | 151.11 | C10H15O+ | 13.36 | 84 | 167.10 | C10H15O2- | -15.08 | C10:2 | 186 |
| C10:1 | 153.13 | C10H17O+ | -0.53 | 57 | 169.12 | C10H17O2- | -2.81 | C10:1 | 683 |
| C10:0 | 155.14 | C10H19O+ | -6.88 | 78 | 171.14 | C10H19O2- | -18.31 | C10:0 | 428 |
| C11:1 | 167.14 | C11H19O+ | 20.47 | 48 | 183.14 | C11H19O2- | -0.46 | C11:1 | 604 |
| C11:0 | 169.16 | C11H21O+ | 27.98 | 32 | 185.15 | C11H21O2- | -24.30 | C11:0 | 180 |
| C12:1 | - | - | - | - | 197.15 | C12H21O2- | -14.90 | C12:1 | 460 |
| C12:0 | 183.18 | C12H23O+ | 15.03 | 103 | 199.17 | C12H23O2- | -8.79 | C12:0 | 785 |
| C13:2 | - | - | - | - | 209.19 | C13H21O2- | 20.11 | C13:2 | 134 |
| C13:1 | 195.18 | C13H23O+ | 22.32 | 29 | 211.17 | C13H23O2- | 0.10 | C13:1 | 393 |
| C13:0 | 197.19 | C13H25O+ | 12.32 | 43 | 213.18 | C13H25O2- | -20.65 | C13:0 | 407 |
| C14:1 | 209.19 | C14H25O+ | 20.11 | 78 | 225.19 | C14H25O2- | 0.34 | C14:1 | 829 |
| C14:0 | 211.22 | C14H27O+ | 45.24 | 2015 | 227.20 | C14H27O2- | -4.53 | C14:0 | 5006 |
| C15:1 | 223.21 | C15H27O+ | 12.17 | 72 | 239.20 | C15H27O2- | 13.78 | C15:1 | 581 |
| C15:0 | 225.24 | C15H29O+ | 20.55 | 132 | 241.22 | C15H29O2- | -8.87 | C15:0 | 3822 |
| C16:2 | 235.22 | C16H27O+ | 45.62 | 60 | 251.21 | C16H27O2- | 18.74 | C16:2 | 301 |
| C16:1 | 237.22 | C16H29O+ | 37.83 | 148 | 253.22 | C16H29O2- | -4.40 | C16:1 | 2130 |
| C16:0 | 239.25 | C16H31O+ | 40.77 | 398 | 255.23 | C16H31O2- | -7.12 | C16:0 | 12537 |
| C17:1 | 251.24 | C17H31O+ | 29.64 | 40 | 267.23 | C17H31O2- | -6.73 | C17:1 | 469 |
| C17:0 | 253.25 | C17H33O+ | 32.45 | 31 | 269.24 | C17H33O2- | -24.72 | C17:0 | 1330 |
| C18:4 | - | - | - | - | 275.20 | C18H27O2- | 1.73 | C18:4 | 25 |
| C18:3 | - | - | - | - | 277.21 | C18H29O2- | -14.76 | C18:3 | 53 |
| C18:2 | 263.24 | C18H31O+ | 23.04 | 31 | 279.23 | C18H31O2- | -16.52 | C18:2 | 197 |
| C18:1 | 265.25 | C18H33O+ | 38.07 | 57 | 281.24 | C18H33O2- | 0.51 | C18:1 | 774 |
| C18:0 | 267.27 | C18H35O+ | 61.60 | 74 | 283.26 | C18H35O2- | -52.44 | C18:0 | 1974 |
| C19:1 | 279.26 | C19H35O+ | -20.15 | 41 | 295.26 | C19H35O2- | 4.02 | C19:1 | 90 |
| C19:0 | - | - | - | - | 297.26 | C19H37O2- | -33.58 | C19:0 | 168 |
| C20:2 | - | - | - | - | 307.27 | C20H35O2- | -19.65 | C20:2 | 53 |
| C20:1 | - | - | - | - | 309.27 | C20H37O2- | -31.43 | C20:1 | 128 |
| C20:0 | - | - | - | - | 311.29 | C20H39O2- | -22.58 | C20:0 | 198 |
| C21:0 | - | - | - | - | 325.30 | C21H41O2- | -32.07 | C21:0 | 63 |
| C22:0 | - | - | - | - | 339.32 | C22H43O2- | -25.71 | C22:0 | 190 |
| C23:0 | - | - | - | - | 353.33 | C23H45O2- | -22.39 | C23:0 | 112 |
| C24:1 | - | - | - | - | 365.33 | C24H45O2- | -26.53 | C24:1 | 78 |
| C24:0 | - | - | - | - | 367.35 | C24H47O2- | -21.81 | C24:0 | 408 |
| C25:1 | - | - | - | - | 379.35 | C25H47O2- | -24.52 | C25:1 | 47 |
| C25:0 | - | - | - | - | 381.36 | C25H49O2- | -40.99 | C25:0 | 183 |
| C26:1 | - | - | - | - | 393.37 | C26H49O2- | -49.63 | C26:1 | 51 |
| C26:0 | - | - | - | - | 395.38 | C26H51O2- | -75.75 | C26:0 | 194 |
| C27:0 | - | - | - | - | 409.39 | C27H53O2- | 37.80 | C27:0 | 47 |
| C28:0 | - | - | - | - | 423.40 | C28H55O2- | -5.50 | C28:0 | 41 |
| C29:0 | - | - | - | - | 437.40 | C29H57O2- | -75.75 | C29:0 | 11 |
| C30:1 | - | - | - | - | 449.45 | C30H57O2- | 37.80 | C30:1 | 53 |
| C32:1 | - | - | - | - | 477.47 | C32H61O2- | -5.50 | C32:1 | 34 |

Table S6. Fragments of glycerides and wax esters identified by ToF-SIMS in sample 95E5/3

| DG major cations | | | |
|------------------|--|-------------|-----------------|
| m/z | [M + H -H ₂ O] ⁺ | error (ppm) | Intensity (cps) |
| 409.34 | C25H45O4+ | 23.85 | 59 |
| 411.37 | C25H47O4+ | 51.58 | 40 |
| 421.33 | C26H47O4+ | 5.22 | 30 |
| 423.35 | C26H49O4+ | 17.05 | 46 |
| 425.38 | C26H49O4+ | 37.62 | 45 |
| 435.35 | C27H47O4+ | 3.21 | 22 |
| 437.37 | C27H49O4+ | 7.43 | 51 |
| 439.39 | C27H51O4+ | 25.03 | 91 |
| 453.41 | C28H53O4+ | 41.09 | 31 |
| 465.40 | C29H53O4+ | 17.21 | 64 |
| 467.42 | C29H55O4+ | 14.78 | 105 |
| 479.41 | C30H55O4+ | 0.65 | 55 |
| 481.44 | C30H57O4+ | 36.22 | 62 |
| 493.43 | C31H57O4+ | 15.92 | 101 |
| 495.45 | C31H59O4+ | 21.02 | 307 |
| 509.46 | C32H61O4+ | 11.35 | 316 |
| 521.46 | C33H61O4+ | 14.48 | 327 |
| 523.48 | C33H63O4+ | 17.07 | 1290 |
| 535.48 | C34H63O4+ | 20.60 | 275 |
| 537.50 | C34H65O4+ | 22.11 | 758 |
| 549.51 | C35H65O4+ | 32.40 | 495 |
| 551.51 | C35H67O4+ | 13.66 | 1729 |
| 563.51 | C36H67O4+ | 15.24 | 145 |
| 565.53 | C36H69O4+ | 16.64 | 354 |
| 577.53 | C37H69O4+ | 25.34 | 206 |
| 579.54 | C37H71O4+ | 17.78 | 418 |
| 591.55 | C38H71O4+ | 29.89 | 63 |
| 593.57 | C38H73O4+ | 28.42 | 74 |
| 605.56 | C39H73O4+ | 13.34 | 79 |
| 607.58 | C39H75O4+ | 14.81 | 156 |
| 619.59 | C40H75O4+ | 38.11 | 24 |
| 621.60 | C40H77O4+ | 58.91 | 35 |
| 635.62 | C41H79O4+ | 28.66 | 61 |
| 647.61 | C42H79O4+ | 13.11 | 28 |
| 649.62 | C42H81O4+ | 13.02 | 58 |
| 663.62 | C43H85O4+ | -15.12 | 78 |
| 677.65 | C44H87O4+ | 3.27 | 50 |
| 691.67 | C45H87O4+ | 7.73 | 41 |
| 705.70 | C46H89O4+ | 28.64 | 22 |
| 719.70 | C47H91O4+ | 15.09 | 18 |
| 733.71 | C48H93O4+ | 10.24 | 15 |
| 747.71 | C49H95O4+ | -19.84 | 11 |

| Wax esters | | | |
|------------|---|-------------|-----------------|
| m/z | [M + H -H ₂ O] ⁺ | error (ppm) | Intensity (cps) |
| 229.22 | C ₁₄ H ₂₉ O ₂ ⁺ | 14.16 | 89 |
| 243.22 | C ₁₅ H ₃₁ O ₂ ⁺ | -51.00 | 69 |
| 257.25 | C ₁₆ H ₃₃ O ₂ ⁺ | 7.56 | 248 |

| Correspondence between the most abundant diacylglycerides and their fragments obtained via ToF-SIMS | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|--------|---------------------|-------------|
| Exact mass | Diglyceride formula | Diglyceride structure | m/z | Ion | error (ppm) |
| 540.48 | C33H64O5 | DG(16:0/14:0) | 211.21 | C14H27O+ | 45.24 |
| | | | 239.25 | C16H31O+ | 40.77 |
| | | | 241.22 | C15H29O2+ | -7.28 |
| | | | 243.24 | C15H31O2+/C16H31O2- | 41.03 |
| | | | 255.23 | C16H31O2+/C16H31O2- | 9.39 |
| | | | 285.25 | C17H33O3+ | 54.11 |
| | | | 313.29 | C19H37O3+ | 42.55 |
| | | | 225.23 | C18H29O+ | 60.97 |
| 554.49 | C34H66O5 | DG(16:0/15:0) | 225.23 | C15H29O+ | 60.97 |
| | | | 239.25 | C16H31O+ | 40.77 |
| | | | 255.23 | C16H31O2+/C16H31O2- | 9.39 |
| | | | 299.27 | C18H35O3+ | 23.32 |
| 568.51 | C35H68O5 | DG(16:0/16:0) | 239.25 | C16H31O+ | 40.77 |
| | | | 255.23 | C16H31O2+ | 9.39 |
| | | | 269.25 | C17H33O2+ | 19.00 |
| | | | 283.27 | C18H35O2+ | 39.29 |
| | | | 299.27 | C18H35O3+ | 23.32 |
| 594.52 | C37H70O5 | DG(18:1/16:0) | 313.29 | C19H37O3+ | 42.55 |
| | | | 239.25 | C16H31O+ | 40.77 |
| | | | 255.23 | C16H31O2- | 9.39 |
| | | | 265.26 | C18H33O+ | 38.07 |
| | | | 281.24 | C18H33O2- | -12.81 |
| 596.54 | C37H72O5 | DG(18:0/16:0) | 299.27 | C18H35O3+ | 23.32 |
| | | | 297.28 | C19H37O2+ | 14.04 |
| | | | 313.29 | C19H37O3+ | 42.55 |
| | | | 267.28 | C18H35O+ | 19.86 |
| | | | 239.25 | C16H31O+ | 40.77 |
| 610.55 | C38H74O5 | DG(17:0/18:0) | 255.23 | C16H31O2- | 9.39 |
| | | | 341.30 | C21H41O3+ | 5.74 |
| | | | 299.27 | C18H35O3+ | 23.32 |
| | | | 297.28 | C19H37O2+ | 14.04 |
| | | | 313.29 | C19H37O3+ | 42.55 |
| | | | 267.28 | C18H35O+ | 19.86 |
| | | | 253.25 | C17H33O+ | -6.48 |
| | | | 267.28 | C18H35O+ | 28.10 |
| | | | 269.24 | C17H33O2+ | 19.00 |
| | | | 283.26 | C18H35O2+ | 39.29 |
| | | | 299.27 | C18H35O3+ | 23.32 |
| | | | 313.29 | C19H37O3+ | 40.80 |
| | | | 327.30 | C20H39O3+ | 11.82 |
| | | | 341.30 | C21H41O3+ | 5.74 |

Table S7. Sterol and hopanoid fragments of sample 95E5/3 collected in the Pedroche Fm through ToF-SIMS.

| m/z | intensity (cps) | Tentative formula | error (ppm) | Compound | |
|--------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|---|--|
| 149.13 | 205 | C11H17+ | 0.23 | B ring fragment sterol/hopanoid fragment | |
| 161.13 | 130 | C12H17+ | 42.07 | | |
| 163.15 | 65 | C12H19+ | 20.99 | | |
| 175.15 | 90 | C13H19+ | 12.13 | | |
| 177.16 | 41 | C13H21+ | -7.48 | | |
| 189.17 | 34 | C14H21+ | 14.27 | | |
| 191.18 | 42 | C14H23+ | 21.60 | | |
| 203.18 | 31 | C15H23+ | -3.54 | | |
| 205.19 | 44 | C15H25+ | -29.85 | | |
| 257.22 | 101 | C19H29+ | -18.76 | | |
| 259.25 | 17 | C19H31+ | 34.04 | | |
| 269.20 | 29 | C19H25O+ | 22.14 | | |
| 367.33 | 189 | C27H43+ | -18.99 | Cholestadienol [M + H - H ₂ O]/cholestadiene [M - H]/hopene fragment | |
| 368.34 | 166 | C27H44+ | -1.96 | | |
| 383.33 | 206 | C27H43O+ | 60.22 | | |
| 369.35 | 219 | C27H45+ | 4.61 | Cholesterol [M + H - H ₂ O]/cholestene [M - H]/norhopane & hopene fragment | |
| 385.35 | 111 | C27H45O+ | 1.85 | | |
| 386.37 | 67 | C27H46O+ | 33.51 | | |
| 381.35 | 34 | C28H45+ | 0.72 | [M + H - H ₂ O]+ | |
| 397.34 | 110 | C28H45O+ | 16.47 | | |
| 383.33 | 186 | C28H47+ | 8.37 | [M + H - H ₂ O]+ ergostenol/ergostene [M - H]+ | |
| 395.33 | 147 | C28H43O+ | 26.19 | | |
| 400.37 | 21 | C28H48O+ | -1.79 | | |
| 397.33 | 22 | C29H49+ | 4.46 | [M + H - H ₂ O]+ stigmasterol/[M - H]+ stigmastene | |
| 414.37 | 16 | C29H50O+ | 14.56 | | |
| 399.40 | 11 | C29H51+ | 6.57 | [M - H]+ | |

Table S8. Fragments of N-bearing compounds characterized in sample 95E5/3 using ToF-SIMS.

| Main N-bearing ions | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|--|-------------|
| m/z | Intensity (cps) | Ion | | error (ppm) |
| 18.03 | 183 | NH ₄ ⁺ | | 42.63 |
| 26.00 | 34915 | CN ⁻ | | 101.43 |
| 42.00 | 24837 | CNO ⁻ | | 49.55 |

| Amines and amine adducts | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--|-------------|
| m/z | Intensity (cps) | M ⁺ | | error (ppm) |
| 42.03 | 1220 | C2H4N+ | | -8.90 |
| 44.05 | 1660 | C2H6N+ | | -0.55 |
| 46.07 | 87 | C2H8N+ | | -32.60 |
| 58.07 | 7056 | C3H8N+ | | 72.46 |

| N adducts | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------------|--------|-------------|
| m/z | Intensity (cps) | [M + N] ⁺ | M | error (ppm) |
| 296.33 | 170 | C20H42N+ | C20H42 | -2.62 |
| 324.35 | 31 | C22H46N+ | C22H46 | -40.16 |
| 338.38 | 23 | C23H48N+ | C23H48 | 3.91 |
| 352.39 | 30 | C24H50N+ | C24H50 | -6.67 |
| 366.40 | 36 | C25H52N+ | C25H52 | -9.98 |
| 380.42 | 68 | C26H54N+ | C26H54 | -9.60 |
| 408.45 | 30 | C28H58N+ | C28H58 | -9.78 |
| 422.47 | 31 | C29H60N+ | C29H60 | -15.96 |
| 464.50 | 25 | C32H66N+ | C32H66 | -32.31 |
| 504.59 | 91 | C35H70N+ | C35H70 | 85.37 |
| 562.60 | 57 | C39H80N+ | C39H80 | -48.33 |

| Trialkylamines formed by NH ₄ ⁺ adducts | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| m/z | Intensity (cps) | [M + NH ₄] ⁺ | Compound | error (ppm) |
| 170.20 | 42 | C11H24N+ | 4-Propyloct-7-en-3-ylazanium | 53.62 |
| 284.33 | 126 | C19H42N+ | Cetrimonium | -19.40 |
| 368.42 | 85 | C25H54N+ | Docosyltrimethylaminium | -36.63 |
| 494.56 | 136 | C34H72N+ | Dimethylmyristylstearylammonium | -14.72 |
| 522.59 | 518 | C36H76N+ | Dimethyl(tetratriacontyl)azanium | -11.21 |
| 550.62 | 679 | C38H80N+ | trimethyl(pentatriacontyl)azanium | -18.92 |

Table S9. Organics identified by GC-MS in sample 95E5/2 and by ToF-SIMS in sample 95E5/3 as well as their possible sources.

| Sample | Technique | Organics | Taxa |
|-------------------|--------------------|---|--|
| 95E5/2 | GC-MS | Alkanols, Long-chain (>C22) n-alkanols | Terrestrial higher plants [6, 7] |
| | | Alkanols, Short-chain (<C22) saturated and unsaturated alkanols | Microbes [8, 9] |
| | | FAs, 10Me-C11 and 10Me-C16 | Actinomycetes [10, 11] |
| | | FAs, Iso and anteiso methyl-branched saturated FAs | Bacteria [12, 13] |
| | | FAs, Iso-branched C15:0i and C17:0i; or anteiso-branched C15:0a and C17:0a | Gram-positive bacteria [13, 14] |
| | | FAs, C18:1 ω 9 | Fungi or Gram-positive bacteria [15] |
| | | Sterols, Stigmastanol | Vascular plants [16, 17] |
| | | Sterols, Campesterol | Plants [18] |
| 95E5/2 and 95E5/3 | GC-MS and ToF-SIMS | FAs, n-C16:0, n-C18:0 and n-C14:0 | Bacteria [13] |
| | | FAs, Even-carbon-numbered with long chain lengths (>C20) | Higher plant inputs [19, 20] |
| | | FAs, Saturated C24:0 (Tetracosanoic acid), C26:0 (Hexacosanoic acid), and C28:0 (Octacosanoic acid) | Vascular plant [21] |
| | | Sterols in general | Eukaryotes [22] |
| | | Sterols, Cholesterol | Fungi and algae, rarely found in vascular plants [6, 23] |

| | | | |
|--------|----------|--|---|
| 95E5/3 | ToF-SIMS | Sterols, Stigmasterol | Higher plants [24, 25] |
| | | Hopanoids fragments | Aerobic and anaerobic bacteria [26-28] |
| | | Sterols, Ergosterol | Fungi [6, 29] |
| | | Wax esters | Bacteria (e.g. Acinetobacter, Moraxella, Micrococcus, Fundibacter, Neisseria, Marinobacter, Pseudomonas and inomycetes) [30-33] |
| | | Glycerides, DG (30:0) to DG (36:0) together with FAs n-C14 to n-C18 | Bacteria and fungi [34] |

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