Supplementary Materials: Infrared Imaging of Cotton Fiber Bundles Using a Focal Plane Array Detector and a Single Reflectance Accessory ⁺

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Figure S1. Instrumental setup described in the material section, a Bruker IMAC sampling Chamber equipped with a single reflectance attenuated total reflection (ATR) unit. The Focal Plane Array Detector is not visible.



Figure S2. Infrared spectrum of a rayon fabric as collected with an ATR and focal plane array (FPA) system.



Figure S3. Infrared spectrum of a cotton fiber bundle as collected with a benchtop ATR (solid black line) and the ATR and FPA system (grey dashed line).



Figure S4. Chemical images (IR distribution map) for a cotton fiber bundle at two developmental points are shown: (**a**) 18 DPA and (**b**) mature (60+ DPA). The chemical distribution map was produced with a FTIR instrument equipped with a single reflection ATR accessory and a FPA Mid-IR detector. Spectral data was grouped into defined 8 × 8 pixel areas and normalized to the 1028 cm⁻¹. Map tones reflect the integration intensity of the C–O shoulder band near 986 cm⁻¹. Red and pink tones correspond to high intensity integrations, while dark blue color corresponds to integrations near zero.



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