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Supplementary information for Chaves Torres et al.

I. Concentrations and proportions of prokaryotic membrane lipids in OM fractions

FAs* Archaeal ether lipids* Cren-Sample ID *i*-C15 ai-C15 n-C15 *i*-C17 ai-C17 n-C17 archaeol GDGT--GDGT-1 GDGT-2 GDGT-3 GDGT-4 archaeol CP1 420 12 12 48 37 1300 250 280 130 180 51 _ _ BD CP2 170 22 4.4 9.0 47 22 12 160 75 310 36 _ _ OP 420 90 23 19 320 150 40 580 390 670 1000 1100 140 CP1 10 7.8 7.0 91 230 65 39 10 63 41 16 _ -Sox CP2 1.5 7.8 31 70 13 5.2 2.3 36 18 69 8.1 _ _ 27 OP 100 40 13 5.1 11 56 48 180 110 190 360 370 CP1 40 17 30 28 84 490 100 130 76 74 26 _ _ BHy CP2 17 _ 1.7 6.9 _ 1.9 8.7 6.2 3.1 39 14 62 9.0 OP 5.1 1.7 0.87 19 8.4 3.0 7.3 31 21 34 59 75 7.1 72 CP1 7.3 9.8 17 58 780 97 52 76 29 _ _ AMe CP2 2.6 1.7 19 8.0 36 4.5 _ _ _ _ _ _ OP 31 13 5.3 100 45 5.9 30 19 28 54 69 5.9 _

Table S1. Concentration (μ g/g TOC) of FAs and archaeal ether lipids in soluble and IOM fractions of CP1, CP2 and OP.

* See the manuscript Appendix for structures.

Note: Values presented in the current table are the result of quantification by comparison of peak areas with an internal standard (Chaves Torres and Pancost, 2016). There has been no calibration curve developed based on authentic standards. Although that is commonly used in GC or GC-MS approaches, it is understood to be only semi-quantitative for GDGT quantification (due to different ionisation efficiency of GDGTs compared to the internal standard). Reproducability allows a comparison among samples and fractions used in this study, but abundances shown in the Table above are not quantitative.

| | | Bacterial DAGEs* | | | | | | | | Hopanoids** | | | | | | | |
|-----|--------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------|
| | Sample ID | 16/16 | 16/17 (a) | 16/17 (b) | 16/18 | 17/17 (a) | 17/17 (b) | 17/18 | 18/18 | 18/19 | C31 αβ | C32 αβ | C31 ββ | C32 βα | C32 ββ | C33 ββ | anhydro- BHT |
| BD | CP1 | 130 | 70 | 790 | 260 | 290 | 1400 | 84 | 750 | 86 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| | CP2 | - | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | - | _ | - | 36 | 35 | 150 | 29 | 370 | 59 | 180 |
| | OP | - | _ | 44 | 37 | 49 | 120 | 80 | 220 | - | 10 | 19 | 20 | 17 | 47 | _ | _ |
| Sox | CP1 | 49 | _ | 190 | 63 | 48 | 370 | _ | 140 | - | _ | _ | - | - | - | _ | - |
| | CP2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 130 | 30 | 190 | 12 | 360 |
| | OP | - | - | - | 11 | 17 | 36 | 20 | 67 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ВНу | CP1 | 15 | - | 130 | 33 | - | 280 | - | 97 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | CP2 | - | _ | _ | _ | _ | - | _ | - | _ | 9.8 | 11 | 31 | 6.4 | 77 | 15 | - |
| | OP | - | - | - | 0.50 | - | 1.5 | 0.77 | 2.3 | - | 1.0 | 1.4 | 0.32 | 0.97 | 3.8 | - | - |
| AMe | CP1 | - | - | 100 | 23 | 20 | 160 | - | 100 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | CP2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 21 | 7.3 | 49 | 4.5 | 410 |
| | OP | - | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |

Table S2. Concentration ($\mu g/g$ TOC) of bacterial DAGEs and hopanoids in soluble and IOM fractions of CP1, CP2 and OP.

*Numbers refer to the number of carbon atoms of each alkyl chain. See exemplary structure in Appendix.

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(a) and (b) represent different isomers of the corresponding DAGE.
Note: See comment on Supplementary Table 1 with respect to quantification methodology.

Table S3. Total concentration (mg/g TOC) of target compounds and distribution (%) of compounds within soluble and IOM fractions. Note that Figs. 2-6 and Fig. 7 (a-d) in the manuscript are based on the data below.

| | | Total concentration (mg/g TOC) | | | | Percentage (%) of total compounds recovered | | | |
|-----|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|--|-----|------|-----|
| | Target comound classes | BD | Sox | ВНу | AMe | BD | Sox | ВНу | AMe |
| | Branched FAs | 0.060 | 0.018 | 0.047 | 0.017 | 42 | 13 | 33 | 12 |
| | Hopanoids | - | - | - | - | - | _ | _ | - |
| CP1 | Bacterial DAGEs | 3.8 | 0.86 | 0.56 | 0.41 | 68 | 15 | 9.9 | 7.3 |
| | Archaeol | 0.42 | 0.091 | 0.084 | 0.058 | 64 | 14 | 13 | 8.8 |
| | i-GDGTs | 2.2 | 0.45 | 0.90 | 1.1 | 47 | 9.6 | 19 | 24 |
| | Branched FAs | 0.013 | 0.0093 | 0.0036 | - | 51 | 35 | 14 | - |
| | Hopanoids | 0.85 | 0.72 | 0.15 | 0.49 | 38 | 33 | 6.8 | 22 |
| CP2 | Bacterial DAGEs | - | _ | _ | _ | - | - | _ | _ |
| | Archaeol | 0.17 | 0.013 | 0.017 | _ | 85 | 6.4 | 8.4 | _ |
| | i-GDGTs | 0.61 | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.071 | 64 | 14 | 14 | 7.5 |
| | Branched FAs | 0.59 | 0.10 | 0.034 | 0.19 | 64 | 11 | 3.7 | 21 |
| 0.0 | Hopanoids | 0.11 | _ | 0.0075 | _ | 94 | - | 6.2 | _ |
| OP | Bacterial DAGEs | 0.55 | 0.15 | 0.0050 | _ | 78 | 21 | 0.71 | _ |
| | Archaeol | 0.42 | 0.10 | 0.0073 | _ | 79 | 19 | 1.4 | _ |
| | i-GDGTs | 4.0 | 1.2 | 0.23 | 0.20 | 70 | 22 | 4.0 | 3.6 |



II. Chromatograms showing the distribution of major compounds associated with soluble and IOM fractions

Figure S1. Partial chromatograms of BD (AMe of TLE), Sox (AMe of TLE), BHy and AMe OM fractions from CP2 TVZ silica sinter after GC-MS. Symbols: black circle: alkanoic acids; β : β -hydroxy alkanoic acids; ω : ω -hydroxy alkanoic acids; α : α -hydroxy alkanoic acids; β : β -hydroxy alkanoic acids; α : α -hydroxy alkanoic acids; β : β -hydroxy alk



Figure S2. Partial chromatograms of BD (AMe of TLE), Sox (AMe of TLE), BHy and AMe OM fractions from CP2 TVZ silica sinter after GC-MS. Symbols: black circle: alkanoic acids; β : β -hydroxy alkanoic acids; ω : ω -hydroxy alkanoic acids; α : α -hydroxy alkanoic acids; β : β -hydroxy alkanoic acids; α : α -hydroxy alkanoic acids; β : β -hydroxy alk

III. Overall TLEs content in OM fractions

Table S4. Total concentrations (mg/g TOC) of major compound classes within our analytical window.

| | | Silica sinters | | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| OM fraction | Compound Class | CP1 | CP2 | OP | | | | |
| | odd-numbered FAs | 0.11 | 0.083 | 0.65 | | | | |
| | even-numbered FAs | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.6 | | | | |
| | hydroxy FAs | 0.93 | 0.97 | 0.084 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alcohols | 0.45 | 0.85 | 0.18 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alkanes | 0.12 | 0.13 | 0.012 | | | | |
| BD | PAHs | 1.1 | - | 0.039 | | | | |
| 60 | DAGEs | 3.8 | - | 0.55 | | | | |
| | Hopanoids | - | 0.85 | 0.11 | | | | |
| | sterols | 0.049 | - | 0.013 | | | | |
| | phenols | - | - | - | | | | |
| | archaeol | 0.42 | 0.17 | 0.42 | | | | |
| | i-GDGTs | 2.2 | 0.61 | 4.0 | | | | |
| | TOTAL | 12 | 7.2 | 9.6 | | | | |
| | odd-numbered FAs | 0.035 | 0.11 | 0.16 | | | | |
| | even-numbered FAs | 0.64 | 6.4 | 3.4 | | | | |
| | hydroxy FAs | 0.63 | 15 | 6.2 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alcohols | 5.4 | 11 | 6.4 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alkanes | 0.059 | 0.15 | 0.026 | | | | |
| Sov | PAHs | 0.083 | _ | - | | | | |
| 30X | DAGEs | 0.86 | _ | 0.15 | | | | |
| | Hopanoids | _ | 0.72 | _ | | | | |
| | sterols | _ | _ | 0.037 | | | | |
| | phenols | _ | _ | _ | | | | |
| | archaeol | 0.091 | 0.013 | 0.10 | | | | |
| | i-GDGTs | 0.45 | 0.14 | 1.2 | | | | |
| | TOTAL | 8.3 | 33 | 18 | | | | |
| | odd-numbered FAs | 0.11 | 0.019 | 0.038 | | | | |
| | even-numbered FAs | 2.5 | 1.1 | 0.48 | | | | |
| | hydroxy FAs | 1.1 | 0.18 | 0.20 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alcohols | 0.079 | 0.49 | 0.022 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alkanes | 0.054 | 0.015 | _ | | | | |
| BUV | PAHs | 0.43 | _ | _ | | | | |
| БПУ | DAGEs | 0.56 | _ | 0.0050 | | | | |
| | Hopanoids | _ | 0.15 | 0.0075 | | | | |
| | sterols | _ | _ | 0.018 | | | | |
| | phenols | 0.053 | 0.026 | 0.020 | | | | |
| | archaeol | 0.084 | 0.017 | 0.0073 | | | | |
| | i-GDGTs | 0.90 | 0.13 | 0.23 | | | | |
| | TOTAL | 5.9 | 2.1 | 1.0 | | | | |
| | odd-numbered FAs | 0.034 | - | 0.20 | | | | |
| | even-numbered FAs | 1.4 | 0.26 | 0.93 | | | | |
| | hydroxy FAs | 2.4 | 1.0 | 0.49 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alcohols | 0.073 | 0.15 | 0.033 | | | | |
| | <i>n</i> -alkanes | 0.0029 | 0.0082 | 0.0083 | | | | |
| AMo | PAHs | 0.10 | - | 0.022 | | | | |
| | DAGEs | 0.41 | - | - | | | | |
| | Hopanoids | - | 0.49 | - | | | | |
| | sterols | _ | - | - | | | | |
| | phenols | 0.096 | 0.012 | - | | | | |
| | archaeol | 0.058 | - | - | | | | |
| | i-GDGTs | 1.1 | 0.071 | 0.20 | | | | |
| | TOTAL | 5.6 | 2.0 | 1.9 | | | | |

Note: See comment on Supplementary Table 1 with respect to quantification methodology.



Figure S3. Distribution of major compound classes within our analytical window among soluble and IOM fractions. Note that 10–36% of compunds only occur in IOM fractions.

Table S5. Estimation of the % of TOC recovery based on the carbon content of compounds quantified in TLEs (Table S4).

| | % of TOC recovered | | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| OM fraction | CP1 | CP2 | OP | | | | |
| BD | 0.97 | 0.53 | 0.72 | | | | |
| Sox | 0.65 | 2.5 | 1.3 | | | | |
| BHy | 0.44 | 0.15 | 0.075 | | | | |
| AMe | 0.41 | 0.15 | 0.13 | | | | |
| TOTAL | 2.5 | 3.3 | 2.3 | | | | |

*Note that not included in this quantification are unidentified compounds within our analytical window and compounds out of our analytical window, but likely also recovered with our methodology.