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45 **Supplementary Table 1** [List of compounds used in reactions - Google Sheets](#)

46 lists all reactants used in the multiplex synthesis experiments. Each row corresponds to a distinct
47 compound and includes detailed chemical and structural information. The table provides the
48 following columns: compound_name (the name of the derived or related reactant), SMILES (the
49 original Simplified Molecular Input Line Entry System representation), corrected_SMILES
50 (curated SMILES strings adjusted for syntax and structure accuracy), formula (the molecular
51 formula), neutralized_formula (the formula standardized to a neutral charge state), exact_mass
52 (monoisotopic mass), np_class and np_superclass (natural product classification levels),
53 np_pathway (the biosynthetic or chemical pathway classification), inchikey (a standardized
54 InChIKey for compound identification), and 2d_inchikey (an InChIKey truncated to represent 2D
55 connectivity only). This table serves as a comprehensive reference for all chemical entities
56 involved in the multiplex synthetic reactions performed in MS\MS spectral library creation.

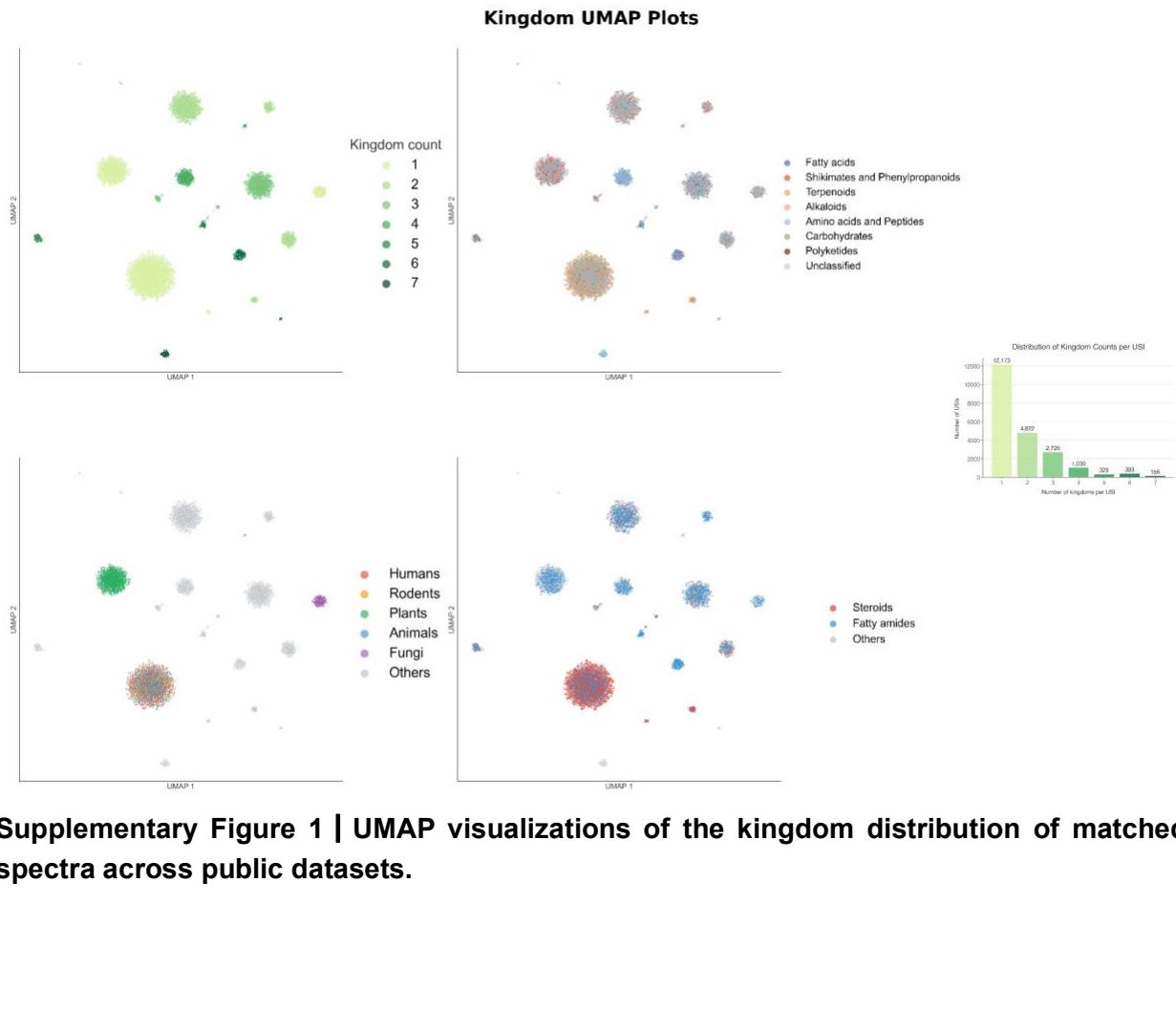
57 **Supplementary Table 2** [Synthesis Reaction record Final - Google Sheets](#)

58 provides a comprehensive list of the 4,000 chemical reactions conducted as part of this study.
59 Each reaction is uniquely identified by a Reaction_ID and described by its Reaction_name, with
60 additional details on the sequential synthetic steps (Step_2, Step_3, and Step_4). The table
61 includes direct access to experimental records via the Signal_notebook_link (which can be only
62 accessed by UCSD user credentials) where all reactions are documented; an example of this
63 document is [Signal notebook record example](#). Analytical information is provided through the
64 Run_on_MS (mass spectrometry) and the corresponding MassIVE_ID for raw data access. The
65 Processing_software column indicates the tools used for library creation. The table also tracks
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67 detailed experimental and analytical record supporting reproducibility and data transparency.
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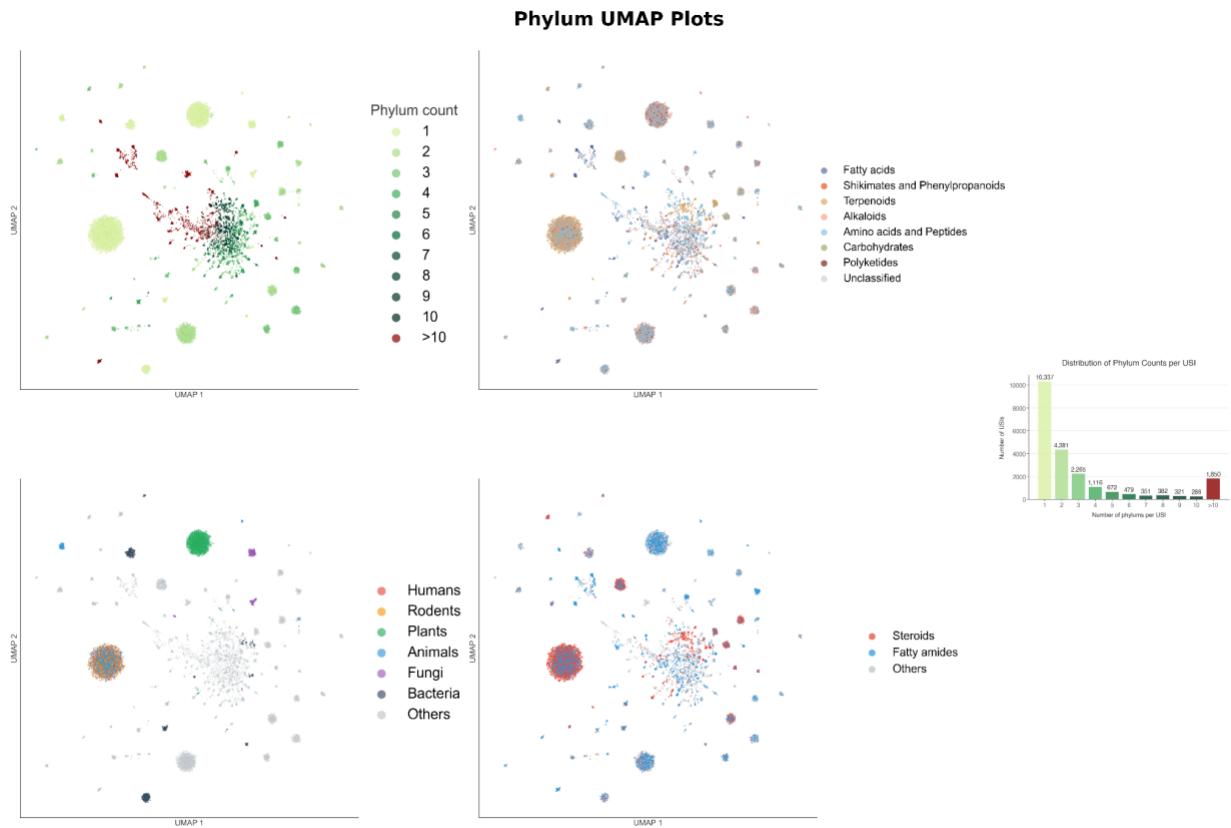
70 contains the results of the overlap analysis between the multiplexed synthetic MS/MS library
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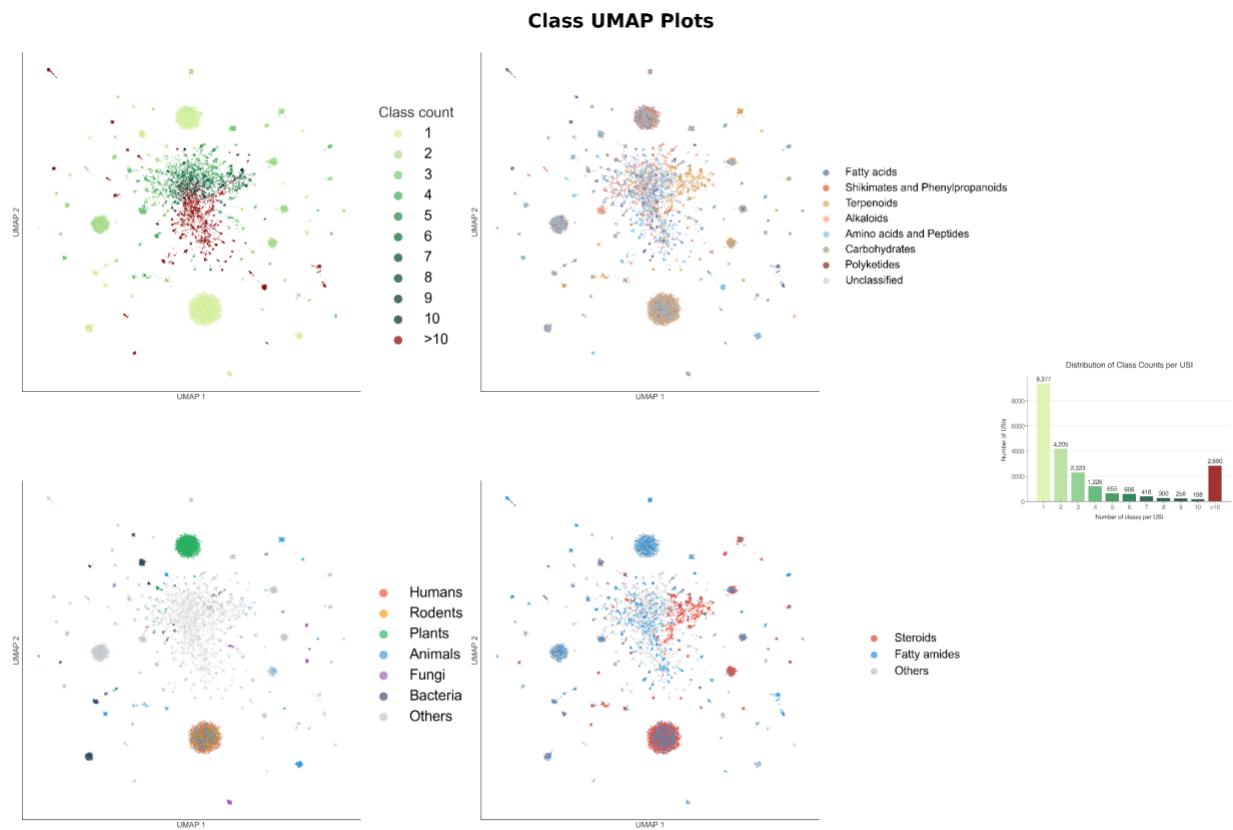
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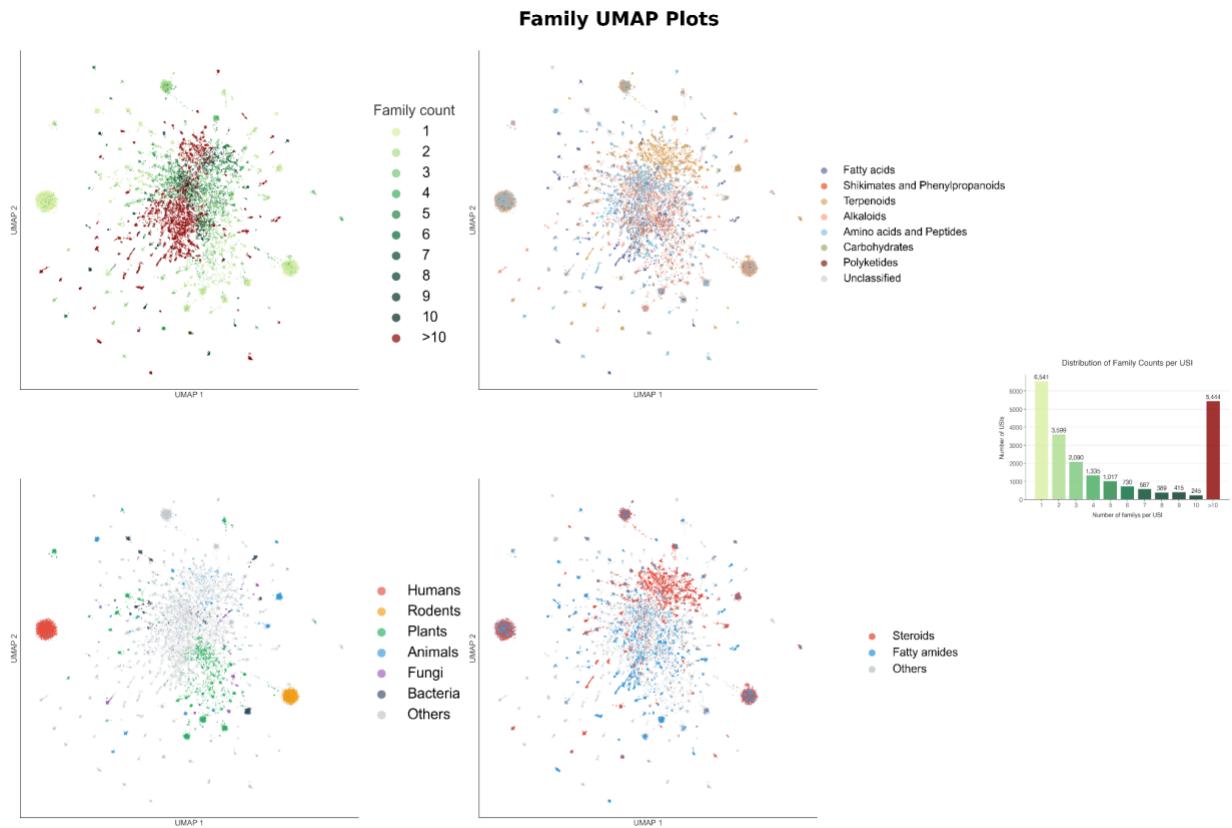


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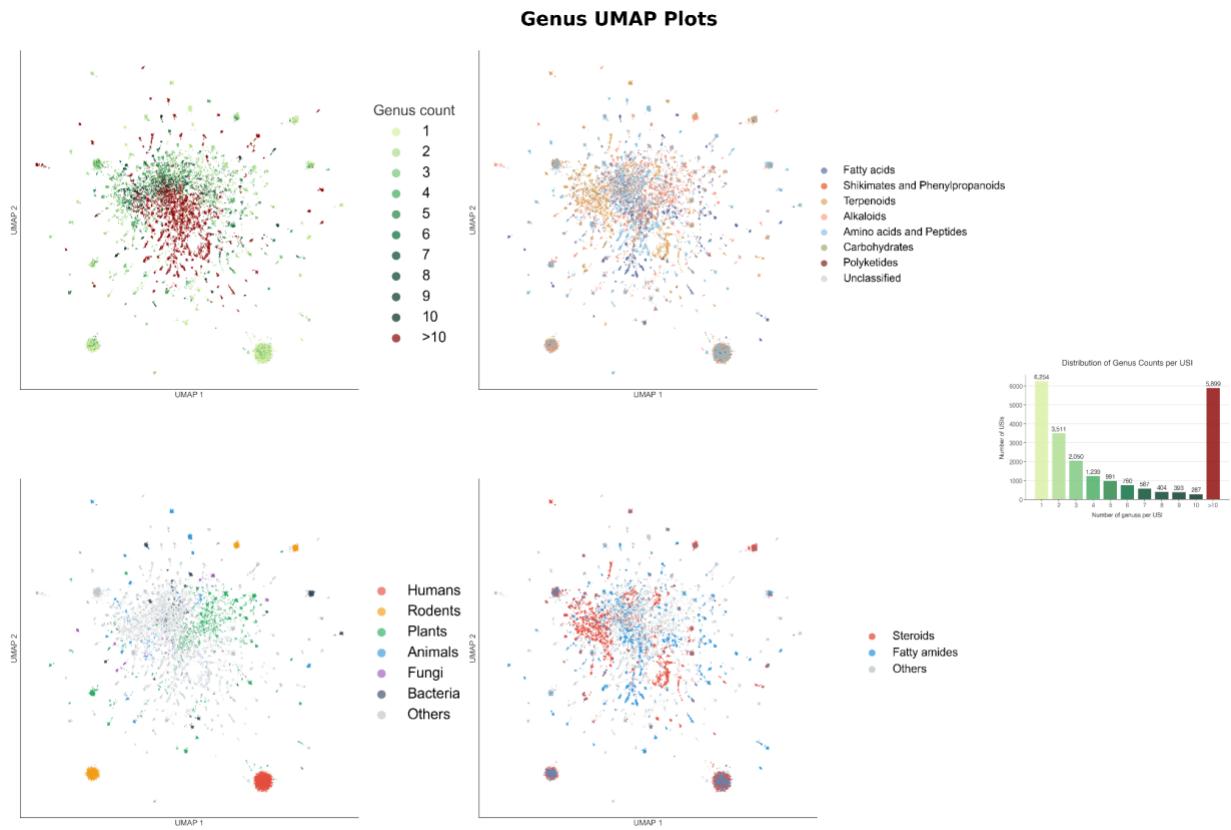


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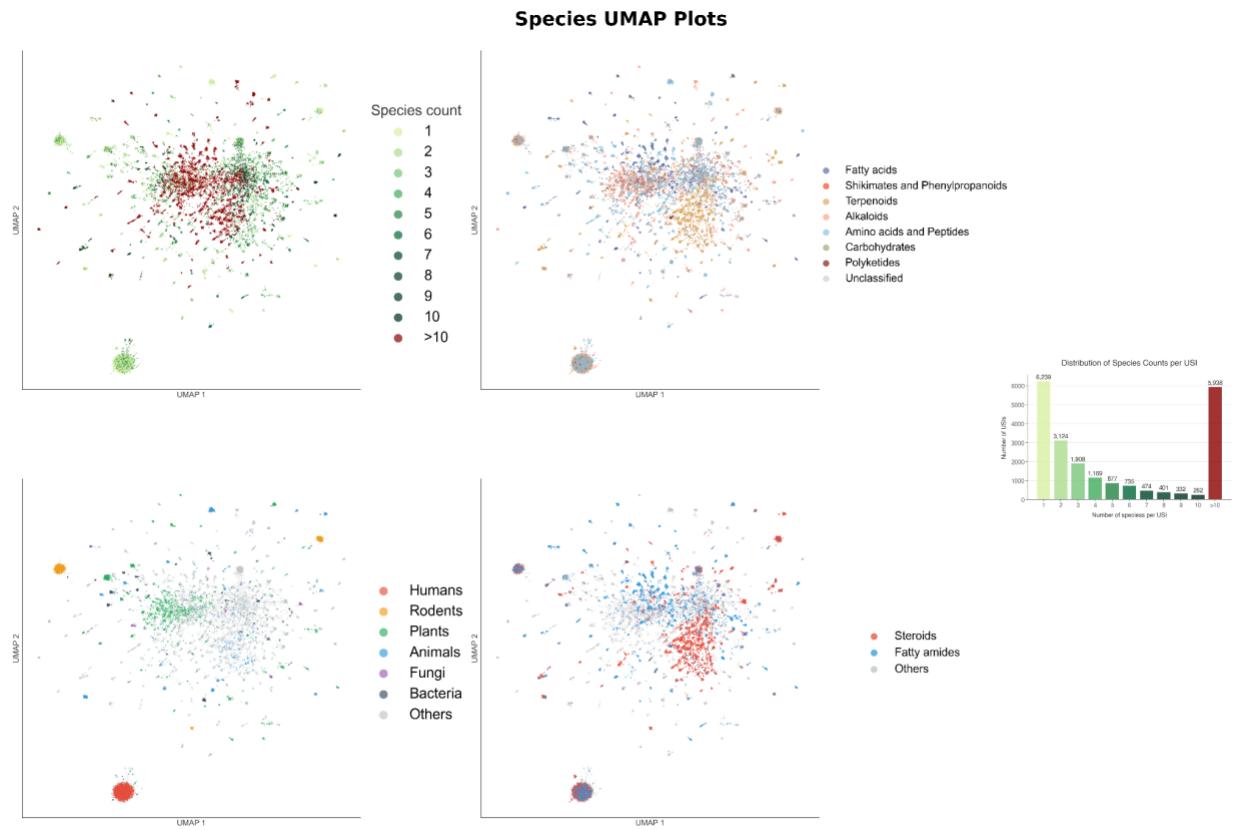
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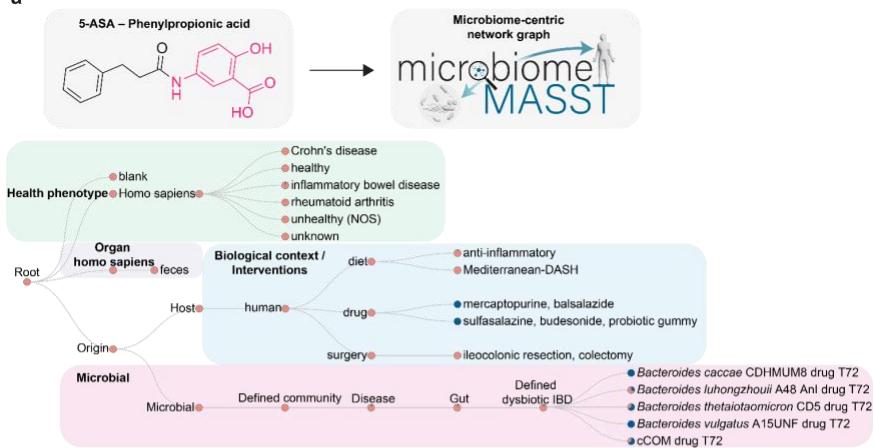
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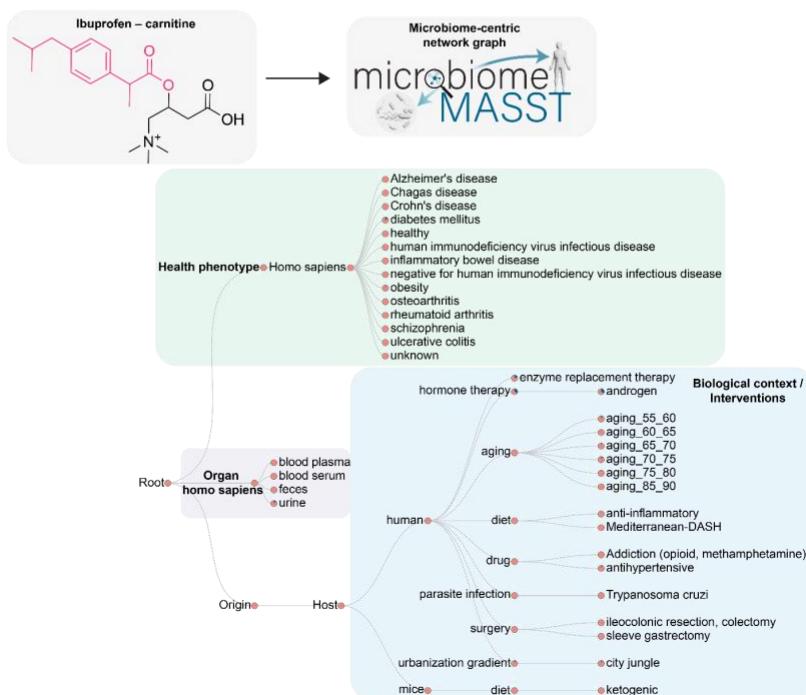


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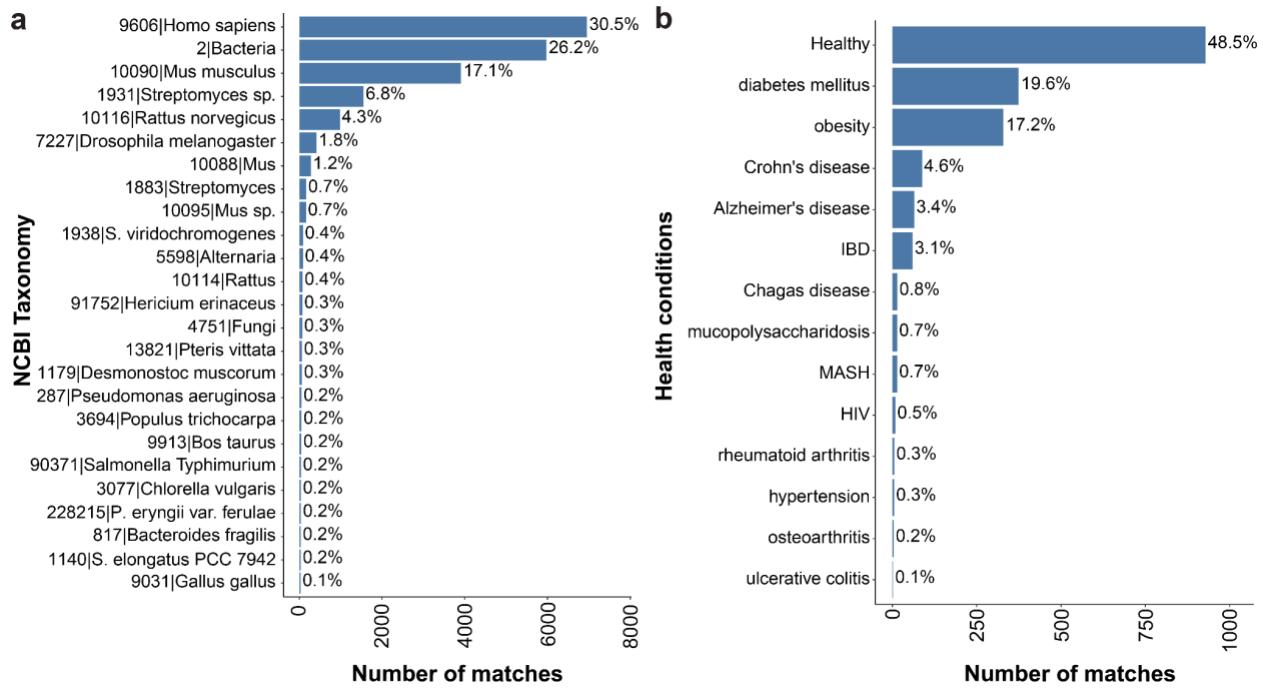
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100 **Supplementary Figure 7 | The distribution of 5-ASA-phenylpropionic acid and ibuprofen-carnitine in host biology. a)** The universal spectrum identifier (USI) of 5-ASA-phenylpropionate
 101 retrieved from the GNPS2 library was used as input in microbiomeMASST. MicrobiomeMASST
 102 results showed that 5-ASA-phenylpropionate was detected in bacterial culture supplemented with
 103 the substrates 5-ASA and phenylpropionate, exclusively observed in humans under diets, drugs,
 104 surgery interventions, and in health conditions including Crohn's disease, inflammatory bowel
 105 disease, and rheumatoid arthritis. **b)** Ibuprofen-carnitine was detected in several health conditions
 106 including obesity, osteoarthritis, and ulcerative colitis, across several biological contexts such as
 107 aging and parasite infection, and found in blood, feces, and urine.
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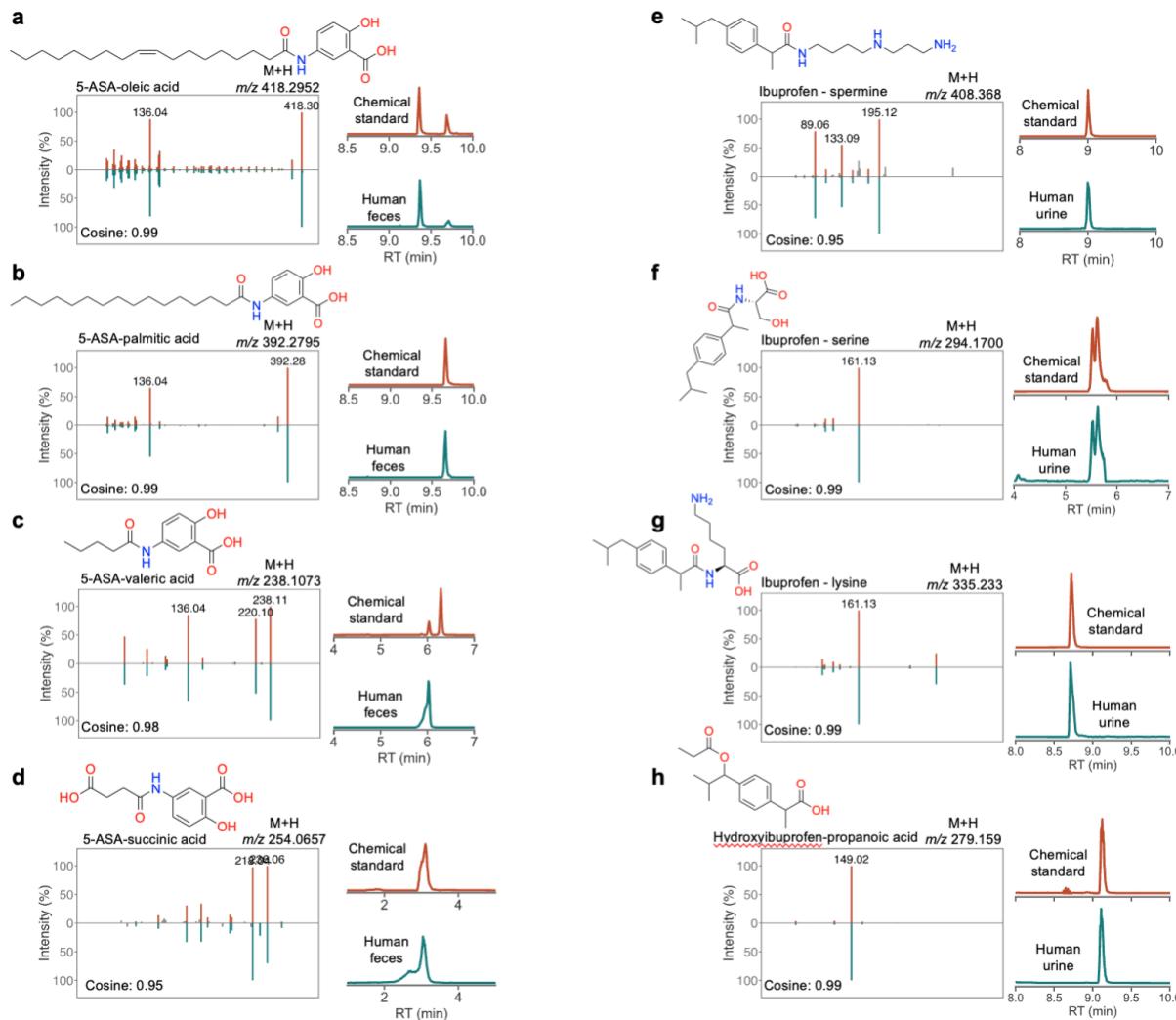
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Supplementary Figure 8 | Prevalence of succinic acid conjugates across taxonomy and health conditions. **a)** Distribution of succinic acid conjugates matched across NCBI Taxonomy using the PanReDU database. The bars show the number of matches. On the right side of the bars, the percentage of all matches is shown. **b)** Distribution of succinic acid conjugates matched across health conditions. The bars show the number of matches and the right labels show the percentage of only human matches. IBD, inflammatory bowel disease; MASH, metabolic dysfunction-associated steatohepatitis; HIV, human immunodeficiency virus.



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124 **Supplementary Figure 9 | Structure validation of 5-ASA and ibuprofen drug metabolites.**
 125 MS/MS spectral matching and retention time alignment of **a)** 5-ASA-oleic acid, (should be
 126 interpreted as a 5-ASA-C18:1 fatty acid conjugate as other isomers are possible) **b)** 5-ASA-
 127 palmitic acid (C16:0 fatty acid), **c)** 5-ASA-valeric acid, (C5:0 fatty acid) **d)** 5-ASA-succinic acid, **e)**
 128 ibuprofen-spermidine, **f)** ibuprofen-serine, **g)** ibuprofen-lysine, and **h)** hydroxyibuprofen-
 129 propanoic acid.

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Quantification

132 Quantification of Ibuprofen carnitine and 5-ASA phenylpropionic acid in Urine sample and fecal
 133 sample respectively (scripts used for quantification are available
[\(abubakerpatan/Quantification-Script: Script used for quantification\)](#).

135 The LC-MS/MS method used for the analyses of the method validation and quantification was the
 136 same as previously described in LC-MS/MS data collection. The analytical method was performed
 137 according to the International Conference on Harmonization (ICH) guidelines¹²⁴ for ibuprofen

138 carnitine and 5-ASA phenylpropionic acid. The method was validated based on the evaluation of
139 the following parameters: specificity, precision (repeatability and intermediate precision), linearity,
140 limit of detection (LOD), limit of quantification (LOQ), and accuracy. A matrix match calibration
141 curve was created by spiking pool urine (ibuprofen carnitine) and pool fecal (5-ASA-
142 phenylpropionic acid) into calibrates to create a matrix match calibration curve for quantitation.
143 Detailed information regarding the methodology used for each of them is described below. The
144 validation was performed using Rise Plus Urobiome samples of human urine MSV000096359
145 that would contain the ibuprofen carnitine compound and Crohn's cohort MSV000099375 that
146 contains the 5-ASA phenylpropionic acid. Peak area for ibuprofen carnitine and 5-ASA
147 phenylpropionic acid was extracted using Skyline¹²⁵ (version 23.1). The method employed
148 reached the acceptance criteria specified for each parameter of ibuprofen carnitine ([Table 1](#)), and
149 5-ASA phenylpropionic acid ([Table 2](#)). For quantification in biological samples, one sample of the
150 Crohn's cohort and one sample of the Rise Plus Urobiome study with the highest peak area was
151 injected in the validated method (samples were resuspended in 100 µL of 50/50 MeOH/H₂O
152 containing 1 µM of sulfamethazine). For the calculation of the amounts in the samples, it was
153 estimated that 200 µL of urine sample and 54 mg fecal samples would be the starting material,
154 and the extraction yield was also extrapolated to 100%.

155 Specificity

156 The specificity was determined by injecting a blank solution containing only the internal standard
157 (sulfadimethazine), and an injection of a solution containing all the ibuprofen carnitine (n=3). The
158 relative standard deviation (RSD) was calculated based on each peak's retention time in the Rise
159 Plus Urobiome and fecal samples. The MS and MS/MS spectra confirmed the specificity and
160 identity of these compounds. The retention times of the peak of interest were as follows: Ibuprofen
161 carnitine, 2.09 min and 5-ASA-phenylpropionic acid 4.52 min. These compounds didn't show
162 interferences compared to the solution containing only the mixture of standards.

163 Linearity

164 The linearity of the method was determined by calibration curves in concentration ranges
165 comprising each compound at the samples of interest. A stock solution containing 1mM of each
166 Ibuprofen carnitine and 5-ASA phenylpropionic acid was prepared in 50/50 MeOH/H₂O, followed
167 by serial dilutions to get the concentration range mentioned in ([Table 1](#)) and ([Table 2](#)) and used
168 to acquire calibration curves for all the compounds simultaneously. From this solution, 7 points
169 were prepared with levels ranging from 10nM to 1uM for Ibuprofen carnitine and 100nM to 2uM
170 for 5-ASA phenylpropionic acid with each spike with urine matrix Ibuprofen carnitine and fecal
171 matrix for 5-ASA phenylpropionic acid. Each concentration level was injected in triplicate and the
172 analytical curves were built based on the nominal concentrations, and the average between the
173 ratios of each compound and the internal standard used (Ratio = A_{compound}/A_{IS}). A polynomial
174 equation was obtained for each curve, and the correlation coefficients (R) were calculated for
175 each compound. The R coefficients are available in ([Table 1](#)) and ([Table 2](#)).

176 Limit of detection and limit of quantification

177 LODs and LOQs were estimated by the mean of the slopes (S) and the standard deviation of the
178 y-intercept (y). These limits were calculated by the following equations: LOD = (3.3*y)/S and LOQ
179 = (10*y)/S. All the slopes, intercepts, LODs, and LOQs are shown in ([Table 1](#)) and ([Table 2](#)).

180 Accuracy and Precision

181 The accuracy and precision of the method was determined by recovery analyses. For this, known
182 amounts of the solution containing the standards were spiked to the sample P1-D-6_2_5753 for
183 5-ASA-phenylpropionic acid and sample STD_SPK_urine sample for Ibuprofen carnitine solutions
184 in two different concentrations (low and high) considering the predetermined calibration curve and
185 concentration range. Three replicates for each level were injected and analyzed in the validated
186 method. The accuracy was determined by the difference between the theoretical and
187 experimental concentration values and the values were within the acceptance range of 80–120%
188 and the precision by coefficient variation (CV).

189 **Multiplex synthesis**

190 Multiplex syntheses were conducted utilizing standard chemical methodologies. The reaction
191 parameters, such as temperature, reagent concentration, solvent composition, and reaction
192 duration, were systematically refined to ensure consistent reaction efficiency across all targets.
193 Subsequent adjustments to the method were implemented based on the solubility of substrates,
194 their chemical reactivity, and sensitivity. The polarity of solvents and buffer systems were modified
195 to enhance substrate dissolution and stability, while the concentrations of catalysts were
196 optimized to improve reaction yields. These adjustments guaranteed that the multiplex synthesis
197 was carried out efficiently, achieving high yield and selectivity.

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199 **Amidation (a).** A carboxylic acid containing compound (1 eq.) and 2 mL of DMF were added to
200 a 20 mL scintillation vial with a magnetic stir bar. To this solution, solid EDC (1.2 eq.) and neat
201 DIPEA (1.5 eq.) were subsequently added, and the solution was stirred at 23°C. After 15 minutes,
202 a mixture containing each amine (0.01 eq.), DMAP (0.2 eq.) were added, and the reaction was
203 stirred for 14 hours. The mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was
204 prepared.

205 **Amidation (b).** A carboxylic acid containing compound (1 eq.) and 2.5 mL of anhydrous THF
206 were added to a 20 mL scintillation vial with a magnetic stir bar. The solution was cooled to 0°C
207 with an ice bath. To this solution, ethyl chloroformate (1.2 eq.) and Et₃N (1.2 eq.) were added,
208 and the solution was stirred at 0°C for 1.5 hours. A mixture containing 0.01 eq of each amine was
209 prepared in 2.5 mL of water with 1.5 eq of NaOH. After 1.5 hours of stirring, the amine mixture
210 was added to the activated carboxylic acid mixture. The reaction was then stirred for 3 h and
211 allowed to gradually warm to 23°C, yielding a clear, homogeneous solution. The mixture was then
212 concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

213 **Amidation (c).** An amine containing compound (1 eq.) and 2.5 mL of anhydrous DCM were added
214 to a 20 mL scintillation vial with a magnetic stir bar. The solution was cooled to 0°C with an ice
215 bath. To the cooled solution, Et₃N or pyridine (1.2 eq.) were subsequently added, and a mixture
216 of acyl chlorides (0.01 eq. per compound) was added dropwise to the mixture. The mixture was

217 stirred for 2 to 3 hours and allowed to gradually warm to 23 °C. The mixture was then concentrated
218 *in vacuo*, and an LC-MS/MS sample was then prepared from the concentrated mixture.

219 **Amidation (d).** A carboxyl compound (1 eq.) was dissolved in 2.5 mL of DMF in a scintillation vial
220 with a magnetic stir bar. To the solution, (10 eq.) of ghosez's reagent was added. This was then
221 stirred until the reaction mixture turned yellow, then (2 eq.) of neat pyridine and the amine
222 containing compounds were added. The reaction mixture was then stirred 2-3 hr. The mixture
223 was then concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

224 **Esterification (a).** A carboxylic acid compound (1 eq.) and 2 mL of DMF were added to a 20 mL
225 scintillation vial with a magnetic stir bar. To this solution, solid EDC (1.2 eq.) was subsequently
226 added, and the solution was stirred at 23°C. After 15 minutes, A mixture containing 0.01 eq of
227 each alcohol , and DMAP (0.5 eq.) were added, and the reaction was stirred for 14 hours. The
228 mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

229 **Esterification (b).** An alcohol compound (1 eq.) and 2.5 mL of anhydrous DCM were added to a
230 20 mL scintillation vial with a magnetic stir bar. The solution was cooled to 0°C with an ice bath.
231 To this solution, either Et₃N or pyridine (1.2 eq.) were added. While stirring at 0°C, a mixture
232 containing 0.01 eq of each acyl chloride was added dropwise to the mixture. The mixture was
233 stirred for 2-3 h and allowed to gradually warm to 23°C. The mixture was then concentrated *in*
234 *vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

235 **Esterification (c).** A carboxyl compound (1 eq.) was dissolved in ethanol in a round bottom flask
236 with a magnetic stir bar. To the solution, a few drops of sulfuric acid were added. The solution
237 was refluxed in an oil bath for 2-3 h and allowed to gradually warm to 23°C. The mixture was then
238 concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

239 **Esterification (d).** A carboxyl compound (1 eq.) was dissolved in 2.5 mL of DMF in a scintillation
240 vial with a magnetic stir bar. To the solution,10 eq. of Ghosez's Reagent was added and stirred
241 until the reaction mixture turned yellow. Then 2 eq. of neat pyridine, and the OH containing
242 compounds was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2-3 hr. The mixture was then
243 concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

244 **Esterification (e).** A carboxylic acid compound (1 eq.) and 2.5 mL of anhydrous THF were added
245 to a 20 mL scintillation vial with a magnetic stir bar. The solution was cooled to 0°C with an ice
246 bath. To this solution, ethyl chloroformate (1.2 eq.) and neat Et₃N (1.5ED eq.) were added. The
247 solution was then stirred at 0°C for 1.5 hours. After 1.5 hours, a solution containing 0.01 eq of
248 each alcohol was added dropwise to the activated carboxyl mixture. The mixture was then stirred
249 for an additional 2-3 h at 23°C. The mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS
250 sample was prepared.

251 **Acetylation (a).** In a 20 mL scintillation vial, 1 eq. of the compound was added along with 2.5 mL
252 of anhydrous DCM and a magnetic stir bar. The solution was cooled to 0°C in an ice bath, and
253 1.2 eq of anhydrous sodium carbonate was added along with 0.3 eq. of DMAP. Then, 1.2 eq. of
254 acetic anhydride was added to the reaction mixture dropwise. The mixture was then stirred for
255 another hour at 0°C, then allowed to warm to 23°C and stirred overnight. The mixture was then
256 concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

257 **Acetylation (b).** To a 20 mL scintillation vial, 1 eq. of an alcohol compound was added along with
258 2.5 mL of anhydrous DCM. and a magnetic stir bar. Then, 2 eq. of EDC, 2 eq. of acetic acid, and
259 3 eq. of triethylamine were added to the mixture. The reaction was then stirred at 23°C for 5-6
260 hours. The mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

261 **Sulfation.** In a 20 mL scintillation vial, 1 eq. of an alcohol was added along with 2.5 mL of
262 anhydrous DCM and a magnetic stir bar. Then, 1.5 eq. of pyridine sulfur trioxide was added under
263 dry argon. The reaction was then stirred for 1-3 hours at 23°C. The mixture was then concentrated
264 *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

265 **Methylation.** In a 20 mL scintillation vial, 1 eq. of an alcohol, carboxylic acid, or amine was added
266 along with 2.5 mL of anhydrous DMF. Then, 1.5-2 eq. of sodium carbonate and 1.5-2 eq. of methyl
267 iodide were added. The reaction was then left to stir overnight at 23°C. The mixture was then
268 concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

269 **Oxidation.** In a 20 mL scintillation vial, 1 eq. of an alcohol was added along with 2.5 mL of DCM.
270 Then, 0.04 eq. of TEMPO, 0.1 eq. of NaBr, and 2 eq. of sodium hypochlorite were added dropwise
271 over 15 minutes. The reaction was then stirred for 2-3 hours. The mixture was then concentrated
272 *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

273 **Oxidation of PUFAs** using H₂O₂. 1.4 eq. of free fatty acids were added to a 20 mL scintillation
274 vial with 1mL of ethanol. The solution was then mixed with 1 eq. of 120 mM hydrogen peroxide in
275 water solution. After 30 minutes, the reaction was divided into two 1 mL aliquots. In the first, 0.1
276 mL of 1M KOH in water was added. This aliquot was then incubated for 30 minutes at 40°C in a
277 tube rotator. Afterwards, 100 µL of formic acid was added to obtain an acidic pH of 4. In the
278 second aliquot, 1 mL of acidified water with formic acid (pH=4) was added.

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280 **Boc deprotection (a).** A boc protected compound (1 eq.) was dissolved in 2 ml of Dioxane and
281 cooled to 0°C with an ice bath. 10 eq. of 4M HCl in Dioxane solution was added dropwise while
282 stirring 0°C. The reaction was allowed to warm up to 23°C and stirred for 1-3 hours at room
283 temperature. The reaction mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample
284 was prepared.

285 **Boc deprotection (b).** A boc protected compound (1 eq.) was dissolved in 2 ml of DCM and
286 cooled to 0°C with an ice bath. Then, 10 eq. of TFA was added dropwise while stirring 0 °C. The
287 reaction was then allowed to warm to 23°C and stirred for an additional 1-3 hours. The reaction
288 mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and an LC-MS/MS sample was prepared.

289 **Glucuronidation.** Each substrate (30 mg, 1 eq.) was dissolved in toluene (3 mL). Acetobromo-
290 α-D-glucuronic acid methyl ester (300 mg, 10 eq.) and silver carbonate (290 mg) were then added
291 sequentially. The mixture was stirred vigorously and maintained under controlled heating for
292 different time intervals 24 h or 3 days at 75°C, and up to 5 days at 90°C depending on the
293 substrate, to achieve optimal conversion.

294 After completion, the reaction mixture was cooled to 23°C, filtered to remove solids, and
295 concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was redissolved in methanol (0.5
296 mL) and an equal volume of 1 M aqueous LiOH, and the solution was stirred at room temperature
297 for 28 h. The solvent was then evaporated, and the mixture was neutralized with 1 M acetic acid
298 (0.5 mL). The crude products were subjected directly to LC-MS/MS analysis.

299 **Reductive amination.** An amine compound (1 eq.) and a carbonyl compound (1 eq.) were mixed
300 in anhydrous DCM (5 mL) and then treated with sodium triacetoxyborohydride (1.4 eq.) and AcOH
301 (1 eq.). The mixture was stirred at 23 °C under argon for 24 h. The reaction mixture was then

302 quenched by adding 1 M NaOH, and the product was extracted with DCM. The extract was then
303 washed with brine and dried with Na₂SO₄. The solvent was then evaporated.

304 **Hydrolysis.** A mixture of methyl esters (1 eq.) was dissolved in THF:H₂O (5 mL: 5 mL) and cooled
305 to 0°C with an ice bath for 15 min before adding solid LiOH (5 equiv) in one portion. The reaction
306 was then allowed to warm to 23°C and stirred 12 h. Excess hydroxide was then quenched with
307 1 M HCl. The product was extracted with ethyl acetate (5 mL × 3) and the combined organic
308 extracts were washed with brine (5 mL), dried over sodium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated *in*
309 *vacuo*.

310 **Ring opening.** In a 250 ml round bottom flask with an inert argon atmosphere, δ-decalactone (1
311 eq.) And sodium ethoxide (21% ethanol solution, 1.2 eq.) were added while stirring at room
312 temperature. The reaction was left to stir overnight, then glacial acetic acid (1 eq.) was added to
313 neutralize the NaOEt. The mixture was then concentrated under reduced pressure. Saturated
314 brine (100 mL) was then added to the obtained residue, and the mixture was extracted with DCM
315 (100 ml). The organic layer was then washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution
316 (100 ml) and saturated brine (100 mL). The organic layer was then dried over anhydrous sodium
317 sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure.

318 **Acid chloride formation.** To a solution containing a carboxylic acid (1 eq.) in anhydrous
319 Dichloromethane (DCM) (2.5 ml) oxalyl chloride was added(2 eq), followed by 2 drops of DMF.
320 The mixture was stirred at 23°C for 30 min, then excess oxalyl chloride and dichloromethane
321 were removed *in vacuo*.

322 **Glycosylation.** To a solution of a hydroxyl (1 eq.) containing compound in 3 mL of toluene, and
323 (10 eq.) of acetobromo-sugar methyl ester was added, followed by the addition of (2 eq.) of silver
324 carbonate. The reaction mixture was refluxed and stirred at 75°C for more than 24 hours. After
325 reflux, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, filtered, and evaporated to dryness under
326 vacuum. The resulting solid residue was dissolved in 10 mL of methanol, and (6 eq.) of 1 M
327 aqueous LiOH were added. The mixture was stirred at 23°C for 28 hours. After the solvent
328 removal, the product was neutralized with 0.5 mL of 1 M acetic acid. The reaction crudes were
329 injected into the LC-MS/MS system and used for further analysis.