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2 **Markers of sympathetic nervous system activity associate with complex plasma lipids in**
3 **metabolic syndrome subjects**

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21 **Abstract**

22 **Context:** Plasma and membrane sphingolipids including ceramides, and gangliosides are associated
23 with insulin resistance (IR) through effects on insulin signalling and glucose metabolism. Our studies
24 of subjects with Metabolic Syndrome (MetS) have shown close relationships between IR and
25 sympathetic nervous system (SNS) activity including arterial norepinephrine (NE) levels.

26 **Objectives:** We have therefore investigated in MetS subjects possible associations of IR and SNS
27 activity with complex lipids that are involved in both insulin sensitivity and neurotransmission.

28 **Participants and Methods:** Cross-sectional assessment of 23 lipid classes/subclasses (total 339 lipid
29 species) by tandem mass spectrometry in 94 overweight untreated subjects with IR (quantified by
30 HOMA-IR, Matsuda index and plasma insulin).

31 **Results:** We show that independently of IR parameters, several circulating complex lipids associated
32 significantly with arterial NE and NEFA (non-esterified fatty acids) and marginally with heart rate
33 (HR). After accounting for BMI, HOMA-IR, systolic BP, age, gender, and correction for multiple
34 comparisons, these associations were significant ($P < 0.05$): NE with ceramide, phosphatidylcholine,
35 alkyl- and alkenylphosphatidylcholine and free cholesterol; NEFA with mono- di- and
36 trihexosylceramide, G_{M3} ganglioside, sphingomyelin, phosphatidylcholine , alkyl- and
37 alkenylphosphatidylcholine, phosphatidylinositol and free cholesterol; HR marginally ($P =$ or
38 $< 0.1 > 0.05$) with ceramide, G_{M3} ganglioside, sphingomyelin, lysophosphatidylcholine,
39 phosphatidylinositol , lysophosphatidylinositol and free cholesterol. Multiple subspecies of these
40 lipids also significantly associated with NE and NEFA. None of the IR biomarkers associated
41 significantly with lipid classes/subclasses after correction for multiple comparisons.

42 **Conclusions:** First demonstration that arterial norepinephrine and NEFA that reflect both SNS
43 activity and IR associate significantly with circulating complex lipids independently of IR suggesting a
44 role for such lipids in neural mechanisms such as operate in MetS.

45 **Key terms:** Sympathetic nervous system activity, metabolic syndrome, lipidomics, norepinephrine,

46 NEFA, insulin resistance

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49 **Abbreviations**

50 SNS: sympathetic nervous system

51 IR: insulin resistance

52 NEFA: non-esterified fatty acids

53 MetS: metabolic syndrome

54 BMI: body mass index kg/m^2

55 HOMA-IR: homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance

56 LDL: low density lipoprotein

57 HDL: high density lipoprotein

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59 **Introduction**

60 Elevated sympathetic nervous system (SNS) activity has been consistently demonstrated in subjects
61 who are overweight and insulin resistant (1-4). Both endogenous and exogenous hyperinsulinemia
62 elicit increased SNS activity (5,6) and an inverse relationship has been demonstrated between
63 arterial norepinephrine concentration and insulin clearance (7).

64 The relationship between hyperinsulinemia, a hallmark of insulin resistance and parameters of SNS
65 activity appear reciprocal. We have shown that reducing energy intake and/or increasing energy
66 output leads to improved insulin sensitivity, diminished SNS activity and lower arterial
67 norepinephrine concentration (8). Furthermore as shown by Straznicky et al weight loss induced
68 greater reduction in SNS activity in subjects who were most hyperinsulinemic (9).

69 Obese insulin resistant subjects also show increased concentrations of complex lipids in plasma and
70 in cell membranes. Ceramides in plasma and tissues associate significantly with insulin resistance
71 (10,11) probably through interfering with insulin signalling (12); rising plasma ceramide levels may
72 precede insulin resistance (IR) (12). Sphingolipids and gangliosides also associate with impaired
73 insulin sensitivity (12,13). Sphingolipids with cell signalling properties as well as structural roles
74 appear to impair insulin sensitivity in key tissues of diabetic subjects (12). Reduced concentrations of
75 plasma lysophosphatidylcholine have been reported in obese and type 2 diabetic subjects (14). In an
76 Australian cohort of subject with prediabetes and type 2 diabetes, Meikle et al (15) reported
77 elevated levels of plasma ceramides, phosphatidylcholine, phosphatidylethanolamine and
78 phosphatidylinositol but reduced concentrations of plasma ether-linked phospholipids including
79 plasmalogens.

80 Thus both increased arterial norepinephrine concentration and levels of complex lipids clearly
81 associate with the insulin resistant state. Complex lipids including plasmalogens also constitute a
82 major part of the nervous system. Sphingolipids including ceramides and ganglioside lipids exert

83 regulatory roles in the nervous system presumably through effects on biophysical properties of
84 membranes as well as on membrane receptors and signal transduction (16). We have therefore
85 explored the possibility that phospholipids and other complex lipids may associate with
86 norepinephrine metabolism measured as the norepinephrine concentration in arterial plasma. We
87 have also analysed the association between such lipids and other parameters reflecting SNS activity
88 namely plasma non-esterified fatty acids (NEFA) and heart rate. The studies were conducted in 94
89 subjects with metabolic syndrome (MetS) who were free of pharmacologic intervention.

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91 **Subjects and Methods**

92 **Subjects**

93 Non-smoking subjects (n=94, Table 1), aged 45 to 65 yr, were recruited on the basis of being
94 overweight (BMI> 27) and fulfilling criteria for MetS (17). They were enrolled predominantly from
95 studies of weight loss through diminished food intake and exercise. The interventions have been
96 published (4,7); plasmas at baseline had been stored at -80C for <8yr and form the basis of the
97 present investigation. None of the subjects took prescribed medication for hypertension, diabetes or
98 dyslipidemia. Exclusion criteria included abnormal hepatic, renal or thyroid function. Before
99 venesection they had been fasting >12hr and had abstained from alcohol for >36hr and from
100 caffeine for >18hr.

101 Insulin sensitivity/resistance was assessed through measurement of blood glucose and insulin
102 concentrations during a standard 75g oral glucose tolerance test with calculation of HOMA-IR (18)
103 and Matsuda Index (ISI) (19). Arterial blood for the measurement of norepinephrine concentration
104 was sampled from the brachial artery in the supine position after 30 min supine rest. Blood pressure
105 and heart rate were recorded by Dinamap (Model 1846SX, Critikon Inc, Tampa, FL, USA) as the
106 average of five supine readings after 5 min supine rest.

107 **Laboratory measurements**

108 Plasma concentrations of norepinephrine were determined by high- performance liquid
109 chromatography with electrochemical detection; intra- and inter-assay coefficients of variation were
110 1.3% and 3.8% respectively. Insulin was quantified by radioimmunoassay (Linco Research, St
111 Charles,MO). Plasma glucose and non-esterified fatty acids (NEFA) were measured by enzymatic and
112 colorimetric methods (Architect C 18000 analyzer, Abbott Laboratories, Illinois, USA and Pure
113 Chemical Industries Ltd, Osaka, Japan respectively).

114 **Lipidomic analyses**

115 Lipids were extracted from plasma samples using a single phase chloroform/methanol extraction
116 process, incorporating an internal standard mix containing stable-isotope labelled and non-
117 physiological standards (Supplementary Table 1), as described previously (15,20) (see Supplementary
118 Material for details). A plasma quality control sample (pooled plasma from six healthy individuals) as
119 well as blank samples (no plasma) were analysed for each 20 participant samples to monitor assay
120 performance.

121 Lipidomic analyses was performed by electrospray ionization tandem mass spectrometry with the
122 use of an Agilent 1290 liquid chromatography system combined with an 6490 triple quadrupole
123 mass spectrometer with a turbo-ionspray source (200°C) (Agilent Technologies, Singapore).. A total
124 of 339 lipid species from 23 classes/subclasses were measured using our modified lipidomic protocol
125 (see supplementary Material for details). The concentration of each lipid species was calculated by
126 relating the peak area of each lipid species to the peak area of the corresponding internal standard.
127 The concentrations of each lipid class/subclass were calculated by summing the lipid species within
128 each class/subclass. The relative concentration of plasma lipids were expressed in pmol/mL. We
129 recognise the limitations of lipidomic measurements to provide accurate quantification of many
130 hundreds of individual lipid species with the relatively few internal standards currently available; we
131 report relative concentrations as an indication only.

132 **Statistical analyses**

133 Demographic and clinical characteristics were expressed as mean \pm SEM (95% CI) or median with
134 interquartile range) using SigmaStat version 3.5 (Systat Software Inc, Point Richmond, CA, USA). Prior
135 to statistical analyses the lipidomic measurements were log transformed and then normalized to
136 interquartile range for ease of interpretation. The relationships between plasma lipids (or predictors)
137 and norepinephrine, NEFA and heart rate (or outcomes), parameters that reflect SNS activity, were
138 evaluated using linear regression models. Diagnostic plots including plots of residuals vs. the fitted
139 values, normal Q-Q plots and scale-location plots were examined to test the assumptions of the

140 linear regression analysis. Further, the normality of the residuals from the linear regression models
141 was tested using the Kolmogorov Smirnov test. All the assumptions were satisfied for lipids against
142 NEFA and HR. However, norepinephrine (NE) required log transformation for the assumptions to be
143 satisfied. Each analysis was adjusted for age and sex as well as for the main characteristics of MetS
144 including BMI, systolic blood pressure and HOMA-IR. The resultant beta-coefficients characterize the
145 change in the outcome measure (log norepinephrine, NEFA and heart rate) associated with an
146 interquartile range increase in the plasma lipid measurement. All p-values were reported before and
147 after correction for multiple comparisons (n=339 for lipid species, n=23 for lipid classes/subclasses)
148 using the Benjamini-Hochberg approach; p-values ≤ 0.05 after correction were considered as
149 significant. Partial correlation analyses and part correlation analyses were performed to further
150 assess the association of each lipid class/subclass with the outcome variables NE, NEFA and HR,
151 whilst controlling for the effect of covariates age, sex, BMI, HOMA and SBP. The partial correlation of
152 the lipids measures the strength and significance of the linear association between the lipids and the
153 outcome variable given the other covariates in the model. The square of the part correlation (semi-
154 partial correlation) coefficient indicates the additional proportion of variation in the outcome (NE,
155 NEFA or HR) that is explained by adding the particular lipid to the regression model, which already
156 has a set of covariates (age, sex, BMI, HOMA and SBP).

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158 **Results**

159 **Subjects**

160 The clinical characteristics of the participants are shown in Table 1. Their BMI was on average
161 $32.9 \pm 0.6 \text{ kg.m}^2$ (mean \pm SEM) with large waist circumference averaging $107 \pm 1.1 \text{ cm}$ including the
162 large female cohort (40%). Among standard lipid parameters both low-density lipoprotein
163 cholesterol (LDL-C) and triacylglycerol were modestly above the normal range. Insulin resistance was
164 clearly evident with elevated blood glucose and plasma insulin concentrations and the calculated
165 value for HOMA-IR that was almost twice the upper accepted level for IR thus fulfilling the criteria
166 for metabolic syndrome (17). In addition 40 healthy subject were included as a reference control for
167 the lipidomic profile of the MetS group.

168 **Lipidomic measurements**

169 We measured 339 lipid species from 23 lipid classes/subclasses. All lipid species were detected and
170 quantified in all plasma samples analyzed. The median coefficient of variation (%CV) of the plasma
171 quality control samples (n=10) was 9.2%, with 90% of the lipids having %CV values below 19.4%. The
172 %CV for each lipid species is shown in Supplementary Table 2.

173 **Association of lipid classes/subclasses and species with MetS**

174 The differences in demographic and clinical characteristics of the MetS and control subjects are
175 shown in Supplementary Table 3. They were of similar age and lean and differed significantly in all
176 the measured metabolic parameters. Sixteen of the 23 lipid classes/subclasses and 216 of the 339
177 lipid species were significantly different between MetS and control after correction for multiple
178 comparisons (Supplementary Tables 4 and 5). Main characteristics of the differences between the
179 two groups resembled those previously reported (15) and provided assurance with respect to the
180 lipidomic profile of the MetS group.

181 **Associations among covariates**

182 The initial analysis focused on the associations among key study variables. We were aware that in
183 this population there may be a significant association between arterial norepinephrine and insulin
184 resistance and that the components of insulin resistance (BMI, glucose and insulin concentrations,
185 HOMA-IR and Matsuda index) would be strongly interrelated. In linear regression analyses, adjusting
186 for age and sex, several components of insulin resistance were significantly associated with BMI as
187 the outcome (Table 2). HOMA-IR as the outcome was also predicted by several biomarkers of insulin
188 resistance noting that Matsuda index was negatively associated.

189 Three surrogate parameters of putative SNS activity, arterial norepinephrine, NEFA and heart rate
190 were analyzed against predictors of insulin resistance (Table 2). Heart rate and NEFA as outcomes
191 associated significantly with several indices of IR adjusted for age and sex. Arterial norepinephrine
192 associated significantly with the insulin concentration, the latter after adjustment for BMI, HOMA-IR
193 and systolic blood pressure, in addition to age and sex.

194 **Associations between lipid classes/subclasses and species and covariates**

195 Taking into account the associations among the key parameters as shown in Table 2, we focused on
196 associations with the lipid classes/subclasses. For key components of insulin resistance, namely BMI,
197 plasma insulin, HOMA-IR and Matsuda index, associations with several lipid classes were significant
198 when adjusted only for age and sex but none of the associations remained significant with any lipid
199 class after correction for multiple comparisons and those results are not shown.

200 Associations of the three putative indicators of SNS activity (recognizing their links also to insulin
201 resistance), arterial norepinephrine concentration, NEFA and heart rate, with lipid classes were
202 analyzed in a model that accounted for age, sex, BMI, HOMA-IR and systolic blood pressure. The
203 findings are shown in Tables 3-5 initially without correcting statistically for multiple comparisons (23

204 lipid class/subclasses, each representing the total lipid species within that class/subclass) and then
205 with correction.

206 After adjusting for age, sex, BMI, systolic blood pressure and HOMA-IR, arterial norepinephrine was
207 associated with dihydroceramide, ceramide, dihexosylceramide, trihexosylceramide, sphingomyelin,
208 phosphatidylcholine, alkylphosphatidylcholine, alkenylphosphatidylcholine and free cholesterol
209 (Table 3). All of the associations, with the exception of trihexosylceramide and phosphatidylcholine
210 remained significant after correction for multiple comparisons.

211 After adjustment for age, sex, BMI, systolic blood pressure and HOMA-IR, NEFA associated with
212 monohexosylceramide, dihexosylceramide, trihexosylceramide, G_{M3} ganglioside, sphingomyelin,
213 phosphatidylcholine, alkylphosphatidylcholine, alkenylphosphatidylcholine, phosphatidylinositol,
214 lysophosphatidylinositol and free cholesterol. Importantly all of these associations, with the
215 exception of lysophosphatidylinositol, remained significant after correction for multiple comparisons
216 (Table 4).

217 Heart rate after adjusting for age, sex, BMI, systolic blood pressure and HOMA-IR, associated with
218 ceramide, G_{M3} ganglioside, sphingomyelin, lysophosphatidylcholine, phosphatidylinositol,
219 lysophosphatidylinositol and free cholesterol (Table 5). However, none of these remained significant
220 ($0.05 < P \leq 0.1$) after correcting for multiple comparisons. Nevertheless the data are interesting
221 because of the resemblance to lipid findings with norepinephrine and NEFA.

222 While Tables 3-5 provide values only for lipid class/subclasses, the findings are supported by the
223 large number of significant associations between respectively NEFA and norepinephrine on the one
224 hand and multiple lipid species with differing acyl residues within the class/subclasses on the other.
225 Such significant associations after correcting for multiple comparisons were found between NEFA
226 concentration and multiple species of G_{M3} ganglioside, sphingomyelin, phosphatidylcholine,
227 alkylphosphatidylcholine, alkenylphosphatidylcholine and phosphatidylinositol (Supplementary

228 Table 6). Norepinephrine concentration associated significantly with several classes including
229 sphingomyelin, phosphatidylcholine, alkylphosphatidylcholine, alkenylphosphatidylcholine and with
230 90 lipid species, primarily from the same classes/subclasses. However, only one lipid species, (PC(O-
231 36:2), was significant after correction for multiple comparisons. The associations appeared to be
232 mainly with species containing long-chain fatty acids predominantly with highly polyunsaturated acyl
233 residues.

234 In summary, whereas NEFA concentration, heart rate and to a lesser degree norepinephrine were
235 significantly associated with parameters of insulin resistance (Table 2), arterial norepinephrine and
236 NEFA also showed significant associations with several lipid classes/subclasses (Tables 3 and 4) as
237 well as a number of lipid species within the classes (Supplementary Table 6). Furthermore there was
238 concordance between the lipid classes/subclasses that associated with norepinephrine, NEFA and
239 heart rate.

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241 **Partial correlation analysis and part correlation analysis of lipid classes/subclasses with**
242 **norepinephrine, NEFA and heart rate**

243 The partial correlation coefficients and the majority of the part correlation coefficients were
244 significant for the lipid classes/subclasses that were significantly associated with the outcome
245 variables in the linear regression analyses, further confirming the conclusions of our study
246 (Supplementary Tables 7-9). Furthermore, the partial correlation coefficients for these lipid
247 classes/subclasses are similar in magnitude to the Pearson correlation coefficients (zero-order
248 correlations), indicating that the relationship between these lipids and the outcome variables are
249 not significantly influenced by other covariates (age, sex, BMI, HOMA-IR and SBP).

250 Six lipid classes/subclasses showed a significant part correlation with logNE after correction for
251 multiple comparisons (Supplementary Table 7), with age also showing a significant correlation in
252 each analysis. These included the five classes/subclasses that were significantly associated with

253 logNE in the linear regression analysis (Table 3). Alkylphosphatidylcholine showed the strongest
254 association with logNE, with a standardized coefficient of 0.417 (and 0.356 for age). The partial
255 correlation coefficient of was 0.442 implying that after age, sex, BMI, HOMA-IR and SBP have been
256 statistically controlled, there was a moderate linear relationship between alkylphosphatidylcholine
257 and logNE. Furthermore, alkylphosphatidylcholine had a part correlation coefficient of 0.4060 and
258 this explains an additional 16% of the variation in logNE, over and above that explained by the other
259 predictors (age, sex, BMI, HOMA-IR and SBP).

260 While six lipid classes/subclasses showed a significant part correlation with NEFA, none of these
261 significance remained after correcting for multiple comparisons. Sex and BMI were the other
262 important variables showing a significant correlation in each analysis (Supplementary Table 8). GM3
263 ganglioside showed the strongest association with NEFA, with a standardized coefficient of 0.317
264 (with 0.436 and 0.347 for sex and BMI respectively). The part correlation coefficient for GM3
265 ganglioside was 0.299 and this explains an additional 9% of the variation in NEFA, over and above
266 that explained by the other predictors (age, sex, BMI, HOMA-IR and SBP).

267 Five lipid classes/subclasses showed a significant part correlation with HR but these did not remain
268 significant after correction for multiple comparisons (Supplementary Table 9). Sphingomyelin
269 showed the strongest association with HR, with HOMA also showing a significant correlation with HR
270 (standardized coefficients 0.302 and 0.305 respectively). The part correlation coefficient for
271 sphingomyelin was 0.273 and this explains an additional 7% of the variation in HR, over and above
272 that explained by the other predictors (age, sex, BMI, HOMA and SBP).

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274 **Discussion**

275 Our main and novel findings relate to the significant associations between several circulating
276 complex lipids, sphingolipids, ganglioside and phospholipids and the concentrations of arterial
277 norepinephrine , plasma NEFA and to a lesser extent with heart rate. Although each of the three
278 parameters also relates to both insulin resistance and obesity (Table 2), none of the specific
279 parameters of insulin resistance (BMI, HOMA-IR, fasting plasma insulin or glucose levels) was found
280 to be significantly associated with any lipid class/subclass after correcting for multiple comparisons.
281 Since arterial norepinephrine, NEFA and heart rate are also regulated by activity of the SNS, their
282 association with the complex lipid classes may derive in part from a common pathophysiological
283 relationship with the SNS. It is noteworthy that there is a degree of commonality among the lipid
284 classes that associated significantly with the three investigated parameters of SNS activity (Tables 4-
285 5 univariate and multivariate analyses). Ceramide, sphingomyelin and alkyl and
286 alkenylphosphatidylcholine were associated with all three parameters whereas phosphatidylinositol,
287 lysophosphatidylinositol and GM3 ganglioside associated also with two parameters. Partial
288 correlation analysis supported these findings.

289 Nevertheless these inter-relationships do not exclude a link to insulin resistance since several of
290 these lipids, and ceramides in particular are known to be strongly associated with insulin resistance
291 and type 2 diabetes (12). Importantly however, in this current study the associations between the
292 plasma concentrations of norepinephrine and NEFA and that of the complex lipids were independent
293 of biomarkers of insulin resistance BMI and HOMA-IR.

294 The interrelationships between measures of insulin resistance and SNS activity are multiple. The SNS
295 is stimulated when plasma insulin and NEFA concentrations are elevated (5,21) and conversely
296 sympathetic activation may lead to insulin resistance (1-4). Infusions of norepinephrine lead to rapid
297 increments in NEFA flux and levels (22,23) and raised arterial norepinephrine concentration and
298 greater SNS activity have been reported in overweight subjects with MetS (24).

299 In a series of studies describing the effects of energy expenditure through reduced food intake with
300 or without exercise, Straznicky et al (4,8,9) have shown the importance in obesity of
301 hyperinsulinemia driving sympathetic nerve activity both of which declined in tandem with weight
302 loss. Arterial norepinephrine was inversely associated with the metabolic clearance of insulin in
303 insulin resistant subjects (7). Vaz et al have demonstrated a key neural mechanism, that of increased
304 renal norepinephrine spillover in obese subjects (25).

305 The close relationship between plasma NEFA concentration and adiposity is well recognised and is
306 reflected in the significant partial correlation between NEFA and BMI reported here. Sympathetic
307 nervous system activity is known to rise with age as demonstrated by the significant partial
308 coefficient between age and logNE. Evidence for an association between heart rate and MetS is
309 emerging and may explain the significant partial correlation between HOMA and HR. Two recent
310 reports of studies in large populations, a cross-sectional study in Israel (26) and a longitudinal study
311 in China (27) have shown clear links between elevated heart rate and presence of MetS as well as
312 predicting future development of the syndrome. Our data are consistent with those observations
313 (Table 2).

314 The pathophysiological processes that link tissue sphingolipids, partly defined by their
315 concentrations in plasma, to type 2 diabetes and MetS are under intense investigation. Sphingolipids
316 integrate within membrane microdomains or lipid rafts that influence membrane structure and
317 function through lipid-protein interactions that regulate membrane trafficking, signal transduction
318 and receptor functions (16). Both ceramide and sphingomyelin that can interconvert, as well as
319 ganglioside GM3 that can also generate ceramide are thus integral to ceramide-rich platforms (16).
320 Sphingolipids and ceramides in particular mediate loss of insulin sensitivity through actions in insulin
321 sensitive tissues affected in MetS and diabetes (12). The significant associations between the
322 parameters of SNS activity and plasma free cholesterol concentration may also relate to the critical
323 function of free cholesterol in membrane microdomains.

324 Plasma sphingolipid levels have become recognized as potential biomarkers of insulin resistance.
325 Haus et al (10) have reported elevated concentrations of ceramides in obese subjects with type 2
326 diabetes that correlated with severity of insulin resistance. In several large prospective studies
327 involving over one thousand subjects with pre-diabetes or type 2 diabetes, Meikle et al reported
328 positive associations between those disorders and circulating ceramides, phosphatidylethanolamine,
329 phosphatidylinositol and phosphatidylglycerol and inverse associations with alkyl- and
330 alkenylphosphatidylcholine (15). In obese women the fasting plasma insulin concentration was
331 found to be positively correlated with phospholipids sphingomyelin, phosphatidylcholine and
332 phosphatidylethanolamine in adipocytes and erythrocytes harvested from the subjects (13,28).
333 Erythrocyte membrane sphingomyelin content was found to be independently associated with
334 parameters of insulin resistance in obese non-diabetic women (28). Similar phospholipid classes (13)
335 were found to be associated in our current study with plasma norepinephrine and NEFA
336 concentrations (Tables 3 and 4). The data on the reference cohort of 40 healthy subjects of similar
337 age to those with MetS but displaying none of the characteristics of MetS have been provided to
338 demonstrate that the lipidomic profile in the MetS group differed significantly from a healthy cohort
339 with respect to ceramide species, sphingomyelin, alkyl- and alkenylphosphatidylcholine and
340 lysophosphatidylcholine, (as well as the corresponding phosphatidylethanolamine species),
341 (Supplementary Tables 3, 4 and 5). Since that was the extent of the importance of including the
342 healthy reference cohort we did not measure biomarkers of SNS activity or IR in this group although
343 we have reported elsewhere significantly higher SNS activity in MetS than in lean healthy subjects,
344 measured by muscle sympathetic nerve activity or microneurography (29). We have also reported
345 elsewhere in a cohort of subjects with IR significant direct correlations between plasma NEFA and
346 arterial NE as well as with muscle sympathetic nerve activity (30). Heart rate was found to be directly
347 associated with another marker of SNS activity, neuronal reuptake of NE measured in vivo.
348 We have also reported in obese subjects with metabolic syndrome significant negative associations
349 between indices of insulin resistance (fasting insulin, HOMA-IR and insulin AUC_{0-120 min} after glucose

350 ingestion) and plasma lysophosphatidylcholine and lyso-platelet-activating-factor
351 (lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine) and positive association with Matsuda index (31).
352 Lysophosphatidylcholine which is diminished in plasmas of obese and type 2 diabetic subjects (14),
353 stimulates glucose transporter GLUT 4 and glucose uptake in adipocytes (32) whereas ceramide
354 inhibits GLUT 4 expression (33). Mice carrying a deletion of GM3 ganglioside synthase show
355 improved insulin sensitivity in muscle (34). The multitude of effects of sphingolipids on insulin
356 sensitivity and glucose transport has been reviewed recently by Larsen and Tennagels (12). In the
357 present study several parameters of IR (BMI, HOMA-IR, fasting plasma insulin and Matsuda index)
358 were found to associate with several of the above lipids when adjusted for age and sex only but not
359 when corrected for multiple comparisons of lipids (data not shown).

360 Sphingolipids have shown associations with cardiovascular diseases including atherosclerosis. In
361 patients with acute coronary syndrome or stable coronary heart disease, plasma ceramide levels
362 were significantly associated with vulnerable atherosclerotic plaques identified by intravascular
363 ultrasound visual histology (35). A lipidomic study of plasma high density lipoprotein (HDL) showed
364 an inverse association between the plasmalogen content in HDL and coronary heart disease (36). In
365 subjects with low HDL cholesterol concentrations, the sphingomyelin and lysophosphatidylcholine
366 content in HDL was diminished (37). Stahlman et al have reported in type 2 diabetic patients
367 dysfunctional HDL enriched in lysophosphatidylcholine and in the small dysfunctional HDL increased
368 ceramides and subnormal amount of plasmalogen per particle consistent with increased oxidative
369 stress (38). Elevated plasma sphingomyelin concentrations have been reported in patients with
370 coronary heart disease (39). Of greater relevance, Stegemann have reported improved future
371 cardiovascular disease prediction in a healthy prospective cohort by incorporating six lipid species
372 including sphingomyelin, phosphatidylethanolamine and lysophosphatidylcholine into the traditional
373 Framingham risk score (40).

374 Ceramides are also involved in cytokine mediated inflammatory processes; their roles in
375 physiological and pathological processes in the nervous system have been reviewed recently by
376 Shamim et al (41). Sphingolipids are major structural components of the nervous system involved in
377 myelination of axons, cell-cell interactions and signalling processes. To what extent these functions
378 may operate within the SNS requires further investigation.

379 The present study would appear to be the first to have shown strong associations between arterial
380 norepinephrine and plasma NEFA concentrations and a number of complex lipid classes. Although
381 several of these lipid classes and ceramides in particular, as well as norepinephrine and NEFA
382 concentrations are associated in common with factors affecting IR and MetS, the correlations of
383 norepinephrine and NEFA with lipid classes/subclasses were independent of biomarkers of MetS and
384 IR. That leads to seeking alternative or additional explanations such as the possibility of a common
385 link with SNS activity.

386 Limitations include the relatively large numbers of lipid classes/subclasses studied although
387 statistical corrections for multiple comparisons were made. Secondly, the cross-sectional nature of
388 the analysis precludes causality. Finally, although the 94 subjects were relatively homogeneous in
389 sharing parameters of MetS and being untreated, the current findings would apply to such a
390 population. Our hypothesis that the underlying associations reflect changes in the sympathetic
391 nervous system that increase cardiometabolic risk awaits more robust supportive biological
392 evidence.

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527 **Table 1: Demographic and clinical characteristics of study participants**

Variable	Mean ± SD (N=94)
Age (yr)	55.5 ± 5.6
Gender (M:F)	56 : 38
Body weight (kg)	97.4 ± 15.5
Body mass index (kg/m ²)	32.9 ± 4.0
Waist circumference (cm)	107.3 ± 10.7
Systolic blood pressure (mmHg)	136 ± 16
Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg)	77 ± 8
Heart rate (bpm)	67 ± 11
Arterial norepinephrine (pg/ml)	225 ± 109
Total cholesterol (mmol/L)	5.6 ± 0.9
LDL-cholesterol (mmol/L)	3.5 ± 0.8
HDL-cholesterol (mmol/L)	1.2 ± 0.3
Triacylglycerol (mmol/L)	1.8 ± 1.1
NEFA (mEq/L)	0.54 ± 0.18
Fasting glucose (mmol/L)	5.9 ± 0.7
Fasting insulin (mU/L)	18.5 ± 5.8
HOMA-IR	4.9 ± 1.6
Insulin AUC ₀₋₁₂₀ (mU · min · L ⁻¹)	10,569 ± 3941
Matsuda ISI	2.11 ± 0.81

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529 **Table 2: Significant associations among relevant covariates**

Predictor ^a	Outcome	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c
HOMA-IR ^d	BMI (kg/m ²)	1.25 (0.12 - 2.39)	0.03
Fasting insulin (mU/L) ^d	BMI (kg/m ²)	1.18 (0.08 - 2.27)	0.03
Matsuda (SI) ^d	BMI (kg/m ²)	-0.88 (-1.68 - -0.08)	0.03
BMI (kg/m ²) ^d	HOMA-IR (units)	0.46 (0.04 - 0.87)	0.03
Fasting glucose (mmol/L) ^d	HOMA-IR (units)	0.56 (0.26 - 0.86)	<0.01
Fasting insulin (mU/L) ^d	HOMA-IR (units)	2.14 (1.99 - 2.29)	<0.01
Matsuda (SI) ^d	HOMA-IR (units)	-1.29 (-1.5 - -1.09)	<0.01
HOMA-IR (units) ^d	HR (bpm)	3.41 (0.95 - 5.88)	0.01
Fasting insulin (mU/L) ^d	HR (bpm)	3.14 (0.77 - 5.51)	0.01
Matsuda ^d	HR (bpm)	-1.94 (-3.69 - -0.2)	0.03
BMI (kg/m ²) ^d	NEFA (mEq/L)	0.053 (0.016 - 0.091)	0.01
HDL-C (mmol/L) ^d	NEFA (mEq/L)	0.069 (0.017 - 0.122)	0.01
Matsuda (SI) ^d	NEFA (mEq/L)	-0.034 (-0.065 - -0.003)	0.03
Glucose au120 ^e	NEFA (mEq/L)	0.043 (0.004 - 0.082)	0.03
Triacylglycerol (mmol/L) ^e	NEFA (mEq/L)	0.031 (0.004 - 0.058)	0.02
Fasting insulin (mU/L) ^f	NE (pg/ml)	98.6 (5.7 - 191.5)	0.04

530 ^a Homeostatic model assessment-estimated insulin resistance (HOMA-IR); Body mass index (BMI);

531 Systolic blood pressure (SBP); High-density lipoprotein-cholesterol (HDL-C); Heart rate (HR); Non-

532 esterified fatty acids (NEFA); Norepinephrine (NE)

533 ^b *Beta coefficient (95% confidence intervals) of linear regression analysis based on an interquartile*
534 *range increases in the predictor measurement against the outcome.*

535 ^c *p-values corrected for multiple comparisons using the Benjamini-Hochberg method, $p < 0.05$ were*
536 *considered as significant.*

537 ^d *Adjusted for age and sex.*

538 ^e *Adjusted for age, sex, BMI, SBP and HDL-C.*

539 ^f *Adjusted for age, sex, BMI, SBP and HOMA-IR.*

540 **Table 3: Linear regression analysis of plasma lipid classes/subclasses against log-norepinephrine in**
 541 **MetS**

Lipid class/subclass ^a	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>Corrected</i> <i>p</i> -value ^d
Dihydroceramide	0.066 (0.018-0.115)	0.01	0.03
Ceramide	0.079 (0.027-0.131)	<0.01	0.02
Monohexocylceramide	0.049 (-0.004-0.101)	0.07	0.14
Dihexosylceramide	0.063 (0.015-0.111)	0.01	0.04
Trihexosylceramide	0.059 (0.005-0.114)	0.04	0.09
GM3 ganglioside	0.025 (-0.028-0.078)	0.35	0.48
Sphingomyelin	0.070 (0.020-0.119)	0.01	0.03
Phosphatidylcholine	0.063 (0.011-0.115)	0.02	0.06
Alkylphosphatidylcholine	0.103 (0.051-0.155)	<0.01	0.01
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine	0.094 (0.035-0.152)	<0.01	0.02
Lysophosphatidylcholine	0.027 (-0.028-0.082)	0.33	0.48
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine	0.026 (-0.022-0.074)	0.29	0.44
Phosphatidylethanolamine	-0.014 (-0.068-0.040)	0.61	0.70
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine	0.043 (-0.004-0.091)	0.08	0.14
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine	0.049 (-0.005-0.102)	0.08	0.14
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine	0.019 (-0.035-0.073)	0.49	0.60
Phosphatidylinositol	0.031 (-0.021-0.082)	0.25	0.40
Lysophosphatidylinositol	0.058 (-0.002-0.118)	0.06	0.14
Phosphatidylglycerol	0.001 (-0.049-0.050)	0.98	0.98
Free cholesterol	0.078 (0.030-0.127)	<0.01	0.02
Cholesteryl ester	0.021 (-0.034-0.077)	0.45	0.58

Diacylglycerol	0.010 (-0.047-0.066)	0.74	0.81
Triacylglycerol	0.007 (-0.042-0.056)	0.79	0.82

542 ^a Lipid class/subclass represents the sum of the individual lipid species within that class.

543 ^b Beta coefficient (95% confidence intervals) based on an interquartile range increases in predictor
544 lipid classes measurement, adjusting for age, sex, body mass index (BMI), systolic blood pressure
545 (SBP) and Homeostatic model assessment-estimated insulin resistance (HOMA-IR).

546 ^c p-values not corrected for multiple comparisons.

547 ^d p-values corrected for multiple comparisons using the method of Benjamini Hochberg.

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549 **Table 4: Linear regression analysis of plasma lipid classes/subclasses against NEFA in MetS**

Lipid class/subclass ^a	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	p-value ^c	Corrected p-value ^d
Dihydroceramide	0.021 (-0.017 - 0.06)	0.29	0.42
Ceramide	0.03 (-0.011 - 0.071)	0.15	0.25
Monohexacylceramide	0.045 (0.007 - 0.083)	0.02	0.05
Dihexosylceramide	0.054 (0.019 - 0.088)	<0.01	0.02
Trihexosylceramide	0.054 (0.012 - 0.095)	0.01	0.05
GM3 ganglioside	0.069 (0.033 - 0.106)	<0.01	0.01
Sphingomyelin	0.048 (0.008 - 0.088)	0.02	0.05
Phosphatidylcholine	0.061 (0.021 - 0.1)	<0.01	0.02
Alkylphosphatidylcholine	0.055 (0.014 - 0.095)	0.01	0.04
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine	0.051 (0.008 - 0.094)	0.02	0.05
Lysophosphatidylcholine	0.022 (-0.023 - 0.066)	0.34	0.44
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine	0.003 (-0.035 - 0.04)	0.89	0.89
Phosphatidylethanolamine	0.022 (-0.021 - 0.066)	0.32	0.43
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine	-0.006 (-0.044 - 0.031)	0.74	0.81
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine	0.01 (-0.032 - 0.052)	0.64	0.73
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine	0.034 (-0.008 - 0.077)	0.12	0.23
Phosphatidylinositol	0.061 (0.022 - 0.1)	<0.01	0.02
Lysophosphatidylinositol	0.05 (0.005 - 0.096)	0.03	0.07
Phosphatidylglycerol	0.013 (-0.026 - 0.052)	0.53	0.64
Free cholesterol	0.047 (0.008 - 0.085)	0.02	0.05
Cholesteryl ester	0.033 (-0.012 - 0.077)	0.15	0.25
Diacylglycerol	0.024 (-0.02 - 0.067)	0.29	0.42

Triacylglycerol	0.006 (-0.033 - 0.044)	0.77	0.81
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550 ^a Lipid class/subclass represents the sum of the individual lipid species within that class/subclass.

551 ^b Beta coefficient (95% confidence intervals) based on an interquartile range increases in predictor

552 lipid classes measurement, adjusting for age, sex, body mass index (BMI), systolic blood pressure

553 (SBP) and Homeostatic model assessment-estimated insulin resistance (HOMA-IR).

554 ^c p-values not corrected for multiple comparisons.

555 ^d p-values corrected for multiple comparisons using the method of Benjamini Hochberg.

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Table 5: Linear regression analysis of plasma lipid classes/subclasses against heart rate in MetS

Lipid class/subclass ^a	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	Corrected <i>p</i> -value ^d
Dihydroceramide	2.32 (0.16 - 4.48)	0.08	0.14
Ceramide	2.65 (0.41 - 4.88)	0.02	0.10
Monohexocylceramide	2.09 (-0.12 - 4.3)	0.07	0.14
Dihexosylceramide	2.09 (0.06 - 4.11)	0.05	0.14
Trihexosylceramide	0.38 (-2.08 - 2.85)	0.82	0.82
GM3 ganglioside	2.85 (0.7 - 4.99)	0.01	0.09
Sphingomyelin	3.13 (0.92 - 5.33)	0.01	0.07
Phosphatidylcholine	2.28 (-0.03 - 4.6)	0.06	0.14
Alkylphosphatidylcholine	2.07 (-0.29 - 4.43)	0.08	0.14
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine	1.51 (-1 - 4.02)	0.29	0.34
Lysophosphatidylcholine	2.67 (0.18 - 5.15)	0.02	0.10
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine	1.47 (-0.63 - 3.57)	0.138	0.19
Phosphatidylethanolamine	0.31 (-2.18 - 2.81)	0.56	0.58
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine	1.63 (-0.48 - 3.73)	0.24	0.29
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine	2.42 (0.1 - 4.74)	0.05	0.14
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine	1.64 (-0.72 - 4.01)	0.12	0.19
Phosphatidylinositol	3.07 (0.83 - 5.31)	0.01	0.07
Lysophosphatidylinositol	3.5 (0.89 - 6.12)	0.01	0.07
Phosphatidylglycerol	0.47 (-1.61 - 2.56)	0.47	0.51
Free cholesterol	2.36 (0.14 - 4.57)	0.03	0.10
Cholesteryl ester	2.11 (-0.51 - 4.73)	0.08	0.14
Diacylglycerol	1.89 (-0.56 - 4.34)	0.14	0.19
Triacylglycerol	1.17 (-0.9 - 3.25)	0.19	0.25

^a Lipid class/subclass represents the sum of the individual lipid species within that class/subclass.

^b *Beta coefficient (95% confidence intervals) based on an interquartile range increases in predictor lipid classes measurement, adjusting for age, sex, body mass index (BMI), systolic blood pressure (SBP) and Homeostatic model assessment-estimated insulin resistance (HOMA-IR).*

^c *p-values not corrected for multiple comparisons.*

^d *p-values corrected for multiple comparisons using the method of Benjamini Hochberg.*

Supplementary Material

Lipidomic Analysis

Lipids were extracted from plasma samples using a single phase chloroform/methanol extraction process, incorporating an internal standard mix containing stable-isotope labelled and non-physiological standards (Supplementary Table 1), as described previously (1).

Briefly, plasma samples (10 μ L) were aliquoted into a 1.5 mL eppendorf tubes together with 10 μ L of an internal standard mix containing stable-isotope labelled and non-physiological standards (Supplementary Table 1) and 200 μ L chloroform:methanol (2:1) was added. Samples were mixed (10 min), sonicated in a water bath (30 min, 18°C-24°C), allowed to stand at room temperature for 30 min and then centrifuged (16,000xg, 10 min, 20°C). The supernatants were dried in a speedy Vac (Savant RVT5105, Thermo Scientific, USA) then samples were reconstituted in 50 μ L water saturated butanol (1:1, v/v) and 50 μ L methanol containing ammonium formate (10 mmol/L) with sonication (10 min). Samples were then centrifuged (1,711 xg, 5 min, 20°C) and the supernatants were transferred into a 0.2 mL glass vials with teflon insert caps.

Lipidomic analyses was performed by electrospray ionization tandem mass spectrometry with the use of an Agilent 1290 liquid chromatography system combined with an 6490 triple quadrupole mass spectrometer with a turbo-ionspray source (200°C) (Agilent Technologies, Singapore). A total of 339 lipid species from 23 classes/subclasses were measured. Liquid chromatography was performed on a Zorbax Eclipse Plus C18, 2.1 x 50mm, 1.8-Micron column (Agilent Technologies, USA). Solvent A and B consisted of (tetrahydrofuran:methanol:water) in ratios of (20:20:60) and (75:20:5) respectively, both containing 10 mmol/L ammonium formate. The temperature of column and the auto-sampler were regulated to 50 and 25°C, respectively. The following gradient conditions were used: (400 μ L/min) 0% B to 40% B over 2 min, 40% B to 100% B over 6.5 min, 0.5 min at 100% B and a return to 0% solvent B over 0.5 min then 0.2 min at 0% solvent B prior to the next injection.

Lipid species were measured using a modification of our previously reported scheduled multiple reaction monitoring (sMRM) methodology (1). The scheduled MRM experiment conditions of each lipid class/subclass are provided in Supplementary Table 1. The sMRM transitions were identified based on known m/z values of the parent ions and product ions as well as the relative elution times of each lipid species and are shown in Supplementary Table 2. The integration of chromatographic peaks was performed on the MassHunter Workstation Software (Agilent Technologies, USA). The concentration of each lipid species was calculated by relating the peak area of each lipid species to the peak area of the corresponding internal standard. The concentrations of each lipid class/subclass were calculated by summing the lipid species within each class/subclass. The relative concentration of plasma lipids were expressed in pmol/mL. We recognise the limitations of lipidomic measurements to provide accurate quantification of many hundreds of individual lipid species with the relatively few internal standards currently available; we report relative concentrations as an indication only.

A plasma quality control sample (pooled plasma from six healthy individuals) as well as blank samples (no plasma) were analysed for each 20 participant samples to monitor assay performance.

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Supplementary Table 1: Conditions for tandem mass spectrometry analysis of lipid classes

Lipid class/subclass	Parent Ion	Fragmentation ^a	Number of features	Internal standard	Internal standard (pmol)	Collision Energy (V)	Cell Accelerator Voltage (V)
Dihydrocer amide (Cer(d18:0))	[M+H] ⁺	NL, 18 Da	6	Cer(d18:0/8:0)	50	21	5
Ceramide (Cer(d18:1))	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 264.3	6	Cer(d18:1/17:0)	100	29	5
Monohexocylceramide (HexCer)	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 264.3	6	Glucosylceramide 16:0 d3	50	33	5
Dihexosylceramide (Hex2Cer)	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 264.3	6	Lactosylceramide 16:0 d3	50	53	5
Trihexosylceramide (Hex3Cer)	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 264.3	6	Hex3Cer(17:0)	50	57	5
GM3 ganglioside (GM3)	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 264.3	6	Hex3Cer(17:0)	50	57	5
Sphingomyelin (SM)	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 184.1	21	SM(d18:1/12:0)	200	25	5
Phosphatidylcholine (PC)	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 184.1	48	PC(13:0/13:0)	100	21	5
Alkylphosphatidylcholine (PC(O))	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 184.1	19	PC(13:0/13:0)	100	21	5
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine (PC(P))	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 184.1	14	PC(13:0/13:0)	100	21	5
Lysophosphatidylcholine (LPC)	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 184.1	22	LPC(13:0)	100	21	5
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine (LPC(O))	[M+H] ⁺	PI, m/z 104.1	10	LPC(13:0)	100	21	5
Phosphatidylethanolamine (PE)	[M+H] ⁺	NL, 141 Da	21	PE(17:0/17:0)	100	17	5
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine (PE(O))	[M+H] ⁺	NL, 141 Da	12	PE(17:0/17:0)	100	17	5
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine (PE(P))	[M+H] ⁺	NL, 141 Da	11	PE(17:0/17:0)	100	17	5
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine (LPE)	[M+H] ⁺	NL, 141 Da	6	LPE(14:0)	100	17	5
Phosphatidylinositol (PI)	[M+NH ₄] ⁺	NL, 277 Da	16	PE(17:0/17:0)	100	17	5
Lysophosphatidylinositol (LPI)	[M+NH ₄] ⁺	NL, 277 Da	4	PE(17:0/17:0)	100	17	5
Phosphatidylglycerol (PG)	[M+NH ₄] ⁺	NL, 189 Da	3	PG(17:0/17:0)	100	21	5
Free cholesterol (COH)	[M-H ₂ O] ⁺	PI, m/z 161.2	1	COH-d7	10000	23	5
Cholesteryl ester (CE)	[M+NH ₄] ⁺	PI, m/z 369.3	26	CE(18:0) d6	1000	10	5
Diacylglycerol (DG)	[M+NH ₄] ⁺	NL, NH ₃ + fatty acid	25	DG(15:0/15:0)	200	21	5
Triacylglycerol (TG)	[M+NH ₄] ⁺	NL, NH ₃ + fatty acid	44	TG(17:0/17:0/17:0)	100	21	5

^a PI, product ion; NL, neutral loss; SIM, single ion monitoring.

Supplementary Table 2: Conditions for tandem mass spectrometry analysis of lipid species

Lipid ^a	Parent ion (m/z)	Product ion (m/z)	Retention time (min)	Correction factor ^b	% CV ^c
Cer(d18:0/16:0)	540.5	522.5	5.72	1.00	9
Cer(d18:0/18:0)	568.6	550.6	6.04	1.00	10
Cer(d18:0/20:0)	596.6	578.6	6.33	1.00	10
Cer(d18:0/22:0)	624.6	606.6	6.60	1.00	8
Cer(d18:0/24:0)	652.7	634.7	6.83	1.00	7
Cer(d18:0/24:1)	650.6	632.6	6.74	1.00	8
Cer(d18:1/16:0)	538.5	264.3	5.59	1.00	10
Cer(d18:1/18:0)	566.6	264.3	5.92	1.00	14
Cer(d18:1/20:0)	594.6	264.3	6.23	1.00	17
Cer(d18:1/22:0)	622.6	264.3	6.50	1.00	10
Cer(d18:1/24:0)	650.6	264.3	6.74	1.00	8
Cer(d18:1/24:1)	648.6	264.3	6.51	1.00	5
HexCer(d18:1/16:0)	700.6	264.3	4.90	1.00	10
HexCer(d18:1/18:0)	728.6	264.3	5.26	1.00	16
HexCer(d18:1/20:0)	756.6	264.3	5.60	1.00	20
HexCer(d18:1/22:0)	784.7	264.3	5.90	1.00	18
HexCer(d18:1/24:0)	812.7	264.3	6.19	1.00	20
HexCer(d18:1/24:1)	810.7	264.3	5.91	1.00	17
Hex2Cer(d18:1/16:0)	862.6	264.3	4.59	1.00	12
Hex2Cer(d18:1/18:0)	890.7	264.3	4.95	1.00	37
Hex2Cer(d18:1/20:0)	918.7	264.3	5.31	1.00	18
Hex2Cer(d18:1/22:0)	946.7	264.3	5.62	1.00	12
Hex2Cer(d18:1/24:0)	974.8	264.3	5.91	1.00	14
Hex2Cer(d18:1/24:1)	972.7	264.3	5.63	1.00	15
Hex3Cer(d18:1/16:0)	1024.7	264.3	4.40	1.00	19
Hex3Cer(d18:1/18:0)	1052.7	264.3	4.76	1.00	25
Hex3Cer(d18:1/20:0)	1080.7	264.3	5.11	1.00	19
Hex3Cer(d18:1/22:0)	1108.8	264.3	5.44	1.00	14
Hex3Cer(d18:1/24:0)	1136.8	264.3	5.74	1.00	11
Hex3Cer(d18:1/24:1)	1134.8	264.3	5.45	1.00	12
GM3(d18:1/16:0)	1153.7	264.3	3.54	1.00	10
GM3(d18:1/18:0)	1181.8	264.3	3.93	1.00	9
GM3(d18:1/20:0)	1209.8	264.3	4.29	1.00	12
GM3(d18:1/22:0)	1237.8	264.3	4.59	1.00	10
GM3(d18:1/24:0)	1265.8	264.3	4.91	1.00	16
GM3(d18:1/24:1)	1263.8	264.3	4.61	1.00	8
SM(31:1)	661.5	184.1	3.71	1.00	3
SM(32:0)	677.6	184.1	4.08	1.00	12
SM(32:1)	675.5	184.1	3.93	1.00	3
SM(32:2)	673.5	184.1	3.62	1.00	3
SM(33:1)	689.6	184.1	4.12	1.00	3
SM(34:0)	705.6	184.1	4.46	1.00	8
SM(34:1)	703.6	184.1	4.31	1.00	4
SM(34:2)	701.6	184.1	4.05	1.00	4

Lipid ^a	Parent ion (m/z)	Product ion (m/z)	Retention time (min)	Correction factor ^b	% CV ^c
SM(34:3)	699.5	184.1	3.81	1.00	4
SM(35:1)	717.6	184.1	4.51	1.00	6
SM(35:2)	715.6	184.1	4.26	1.00	6
SM(36:1)	731.6	184.1	4.71	1.00	14
SM(36:2)	729.6	184.1	4.46	1.00	6
SM(36:3)	727.6	184.1	4.21	1.00	5
SM(37:2)	743.5	184.1	4.68	1.00	5
SM(38:1)	759.6	184.1	5.09	1.00	7
SM(38:2)	757.6	184.1	4.86	1.00	7
SM(39:1)	773.7	184.1	5.25	1.00	6
SM(41:1)	801.7	184.1	5.58	1.00	8
SM(41:2)	799.7	184.1	5.34	1.00	5
SM(42:1)	816.7	184.1	5.73	1.00	5
PC(28:0)	678.5	184.1	4.23	1.00	10
PC(29:0)	692.5	184.1	4.77	1.00	3
PC(30:0)	706.5	184.1	4.63	1.00	4
PC(31:0)	720.6	184.1	4.80	1.00	5
PC(31:1)	718.5	184.1	4.51	1.00	5
PC(32:0)	734.6	184.1	4.99	1.00	4
PC(32:1)	732.6	184.1	4.74	1.00	6
PC(32:2)	730.5	184.1	4.48	1.00	6
PC(32:3)	728.5	184.1	4.28	1.00	6
PC(33:0)	748.6	184.1	5.12	1.00	4
PC(33:1)	746.6	184.1	4.92	1.00	4
PC(33:2)	744.6	184.1	4.68	1.00	7
PC(33:3)	742.5	184.1	4.48	1.00	4
PC(34:0)	762.6	184.1	5.35	1.00	5
PC(34:1)	760.6	184.1	5.09	1.00	9
PC(34:2)	758.6	184.1	4.86	1.00	6
PC(34:3)	756.6	184.1	4.66	1.00	8
PC(34:4)	754.5	184.1	4.51	1.00	9
PC(34:5)	752.5	184.1	4.31	1.00	4
PC(35:0)	776.6	184.1	5.44	1.00	6
PC(35:1)	774.6	184.1	5.25	1.00	6
PC(35:2)	772.6	184.1	5.03	1.00	7
PC(35:3)	770.6	184.1	4.83	1.00	5
PC(35:4)	768.6	184.1	4.70	1.00	4
PC(36:0)	790.6	184.1	5.67	1.00	6
PC(36:1)	788.6	184.1	5.42	1.00	6
PC(36:2)	786.6	184.1	5.22	1.00	5
PC(36:3)	784.6	184.1	5.05	1.00	5
PC(36:4)	782.6	184.1	4.85	1.00	5
PC(36:5)	780.6	184.1	4.69	1.00	9
PC(36:6)	778.5	184.1	4.50	1.00	16
PC(37:4)	796.6	184.1	5.06	1.00	5

Lipid ^a	Parent ion (m/z)	Product ion (m/z)	Retention time (min)	Correction factor ^b	% CV ^c
PC(37:5)	794.6	184.1	4.85	1.00	7
PC(37:6)	792.6	184.1	4.69	1.00	3
PC(38:2)	814.6	184.1	5.62	1.00	4
PC(38:3)	812.6	184.1	5.34	1.00	6
PC(38:4)	810.6	184.1	5.25	1.00	7
PC(38:5)	808.6	184.1	4.97	1.00	7
PC(38:6)	806.6	184.1	4.87	1.00	5
PC(38:7)	804.6	184.1	4.87	1.00	6
PC(39:5)	822.6	184.1	5.13	1.00	4
PC(39:6)	820.6	184.1	5.05	1.00	5
PC(39:7)	818.6	184.1	4.84	1.00	10
PC(40:4)	838.6	184.1	5.55	1.00	3
PC(40:5)	836.6	184.1	5.29	1.00	5
PC(40:6)	834.6	184.1	5.21	1.00	6
PC(40:7)	832.6	184.1	4.95	1.00	8
PC(40:8)	830.6	184.1	4.73	1.00	5
PC(O-32:0)	720.6	184.1	5.12	1.00	9
PC(O-32:1)	718.5	184.1	4.89	1.00	8
PC(O-32:2)	716.6	184.1	4.63	1.00	12
PC(O-34:1)	746.6	184.1	5.20	1.00	6
PC(O-34:2)	744.6	184.1	5.00	1.00	7
PC(O-34:3)	742.5	184.1	4.50	1.00	8
PC(O-34:4)	740.6	184.1	4.78	1.00	9
PC(O-35:4)	754.5	184.1	4.66	1.00	7
PC(O-36:0)	776.6	184.1	5.80	1.00	8
PC(O-36:1)	774.6	184.1	5.56	1.00	8
PC(O-36:2)	772.6	184.1	5.35	1.00	6
PC(O-36:3)	770.6	184.1	5.03	1.00	5
PC(O-36:4)	768.6	184.1	5.02	1.00	5
PC(O-36:5)	766.6	184.1	4.83	1.00	5
PC(O-38:4)	796.6	184.1	5.38	1.00	7
PC(O-38:5)	794.6	184.1	5.10	1.00	4
PC(O-40:5)	822.6	184.1	5.41	1.00	8
PC(O-40:6)	820.6	184.1	5.36	1.00	6
PC(O-40:7)	818.6	184.1	5.08	1.00	6
PC(P-30:0)	690.4	184.1	4.76	1.00	9
PC(P-32:0)	718.5	184.1	5.11	1.00	7
PC(P-32:1)	716.6	184.1	5.11	1.00	10
PC(P-34:1)	744.6	184.1	5.20	1.00	5
PC(P-34:2)	742.5	184.1	4.97	1.00	6
PC(P-34:3)	740.6	184.1	4.97	1.00	9
PC(P-36:2)	770.6	184.1	5.32	1.00	7
PC(P-36:4)	766.6	184.1	5.00	1.00	6
PC(P-36:5)	764.6	184.1	4.79	1.00	7
PC(P-38:4)	794.6	184.1	5.33	1.00	6

Lipid ^a	Parent ion (m/z)	Product ion (m/z)	Retention time (min)	Correction factor ^b	% CV ^c
PC(P-38:5)	792.6	184.1	5.05	1.00	9
PC(P-38:6)	790.6	184.1	4.94	1.00	5
PC(P-40:5)	820.6	184.1	5.15	1.00	9
PC(P-40:6)	818.6	184.1	5.31	1.00	5
LPC(14:0)	468.3	184.1	2.08	1.00	3
LPC(15:0)	482.3	184.1	2.28	1.00	4
LPC(16:0)	496.3	184.1	2.48	1.00	3
LPC(16:1)	494.3	184.1	2.23	1.00	3
LPC(17:0)	510.4	184.1	2.64	1.00	4
LPC(17:1)	508.4	184.1	2.41	1.00	3
LPC(18:0)	524.4	184.1	2.83	1.00	4
LPC(18:1)	522.4	184.1	2.58	1.00	4
LPC(18:2)	520.3	184.1	2.38	1.00	6
LPC(18:3)	518.3	184.1	2.20	1.00	4
LPC(20:0)	552.4	184.1	3.19	1.00	5
LPC(20:1)	550.4	184.1	2.91	1.00	5
LPC(20:2)	548.4	184.1	2.69	1.00	10
LPC(20:3)	546.4	184.1	2.53	1.00	9
LPC(20:4)	544.3	184.1	2.40	1.00	7
LPC(20:5)	542.3	184.1	2.22	1.00	7
LPC(22:0)	580.4	184.1	3.65	1.00	7
LPC(22:1)	578.4	184.1	3.25	1.00	12
LPC(22:5)	570.4	184.1	2.51	1.00	8
LPC(22:6)	568.3	184.1	2.41	1.00	9
LPC(24:0)	608.5	184.1	4.12	1.00	7
LPC(26:0)	636.5	184.1	4.45	1.00	20
LPC(O-16:0)	482.4	104.1	2.56	1.00	5
LPC(O-18:0)	510.4	104.1	2.93	1.00	5
LPC(O-18:1)	508.4	104.1	2.65	1.00	3
LPC(O-20:0)	538.4	104.1	3.01	1.00	2
LPC(O-20:1)	536.4	104.1	2.73	1.00	8
LPC(O-22:0)	566.5	104.1	3.78	1.00	4
LPC(O-22:1)	564.4	104.1	3.36	1.00	8
LPC(O-24:0)	594.5	104.1	4.23	1.00	6
LPC(O-24:1)	592.5	104.1	3.82	1.00	6
LPC(O-24:2)	590.5	104.1	3.52	1.00	9
PE(32:0)	692.5	551.5	5.14	1.00	18
PE(32:1)	690.5	549.5	4.90	1.00	17
PE(34:1)	718.5	577.5	5.24	1.00	8
PE(34:2)	716.5	575.5	5.01	1.00	8
PE(34:3)	714.5	573.5	4.80	1.00	13
PE(35:1)	732.6	591.5	5.40	1.00	15
PE(35:2)	730.5	589.5	5.17	1.00	16
PE(36:0)	748.6	607.6	5.78	1.00	29
PE(36:1)	746.6	605.6	5.55	1.00	11

Lipid ^a	Parent ion (m/z)	Product ion (m/z)	Retention time (min)	Correction factor ^b	% CV ^c
PE(36:2)	744.6	603.5	5.37	1.00	8
PE(36:3)	742.5	601.5	5.12	1.00	10
PE(36:4)	740.5	599.5	5.04	1.00	8
PE(36:5)	738.5	597.5	4.83	1.00	15
PE(38:3)	770.6	629.6	5.47	1.00	10
PE(38:4)	768.6	627.5	5.38	1.00	9
PE(38:5)	766.5	625.5	5.12	1.00	7
PE(38:6)	764.5	623.5	5.02	1.00	7
PE(40:4)	796.6	655.6	5.59	1.00	13
PE(40:5)	794.6	653.6	5.53	1.00	11
PE(40:6)	792.6	651.5	5.36	1.00	10
PE(40:7)	790.5	649.5	5.10	1.00	8
PE(O-34:1)	704.6	563.5	5.35	1.00	11
PE(O-34:2)	702.5	561.5	5.14	1.00	12
PE(O-36:2)	730.5	589.5	5.48	1.00	9
PE(O-36:3)	728.6	587.5	5.19	1.00	11
PE(O-36:4)	726.5	585.5	5.17	1.00	10
PE(O-36:5)	724.5	583.5	4.97	1.00	12
PE(O-36:6)	722.5	581.5	4.94	1.00	11
PE(O-38:4)	754.6	613.6	5.51	1.00	9
PE(O-38:5)	752.6	611.5	5.22	1.00	12
PE(O-40:5)	780.6	639.6	5.53	1.00	13
PE(O-40:6)	778.5	637.5	5.15	1.00	14
PE(O-40:7)	776.6	635.5	5.20	1.00	11
PE(P-16:0/18:1)	702.5	561.5	5.34	7.31	15
PE(P-16:0/18:2)	700.5	559.5	5.13	7.31	9
PE(P-18:0/18:1)	730.5	589.5	5.66	7.31	9
PE(P-18:0/18:2)	728.6	587.5	5.46	7.31	8
PE(P-16:0/20:4)	724.5	583.5	5.14	7.31	10
PE(P-18:0/20:4)	752.6	611.5	5.48	7.31	13
PE(P-16:0/22:5)	750.5	609.6	5.17	7.31	9
PE(P-16:0/22:6)	748.5	607.5	5.10	7.31	13
PE(P-20:0/20:4)	780.6	639.6	5.75	7.31	8
PE(P-18:0/22:5)	778.5	637.5	5.49	7.31	9
PE(P-18:0/22:6)	776.6	635.5	5.44	7.31	13
LPE(16:0)	454.3	313.3	2.55	1.00	4
LPE(18:0)	482.3	341.3	2.90	1.00	4
LPE(18:1)	480.3	339.3	2.64	1.00	4
LPE(18:2)	478.3	337.3	2.44	1.00	3
LPE(20:4)	502.3	361.3	2.48	1.00	4
LPE(22:6)	526.3	385.3	2.49	1.00	5
PI(32:0)	828.6	551.6	4.10	1.44	8
PI(32:1)	826.5	549.5	3.87	1.44	7
PI(34:0)	856.6	579.6	4.68	1.44	31
PI(34:1)	854.6	577.6	4.21	1.44	8

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PI(36:1)	882.6	605.6	4.55	1.44	6
PI(36:2)	880.6	603.6	4.34	1.44	7
PI(36:3)	878.6	601.6	4.11	1.44	7
PI(36:4)	876.6	599.6	4.03	1.44	8
PI(38:2)	908.6	631.6	4.64	1.44	16
PI(38:3)	906.6	629.6	4.48	1.44	6
PI(38:4)	904.6	627.6	4.38	1.44	8
PI(38:5)	902.6	625.6	4.11	1.44	8
PI(38:6)	900.6	623.6	4.02	1.44	8
PI(40:4)	932.6	655.6	4.62	1.44	11
PI(40:5)	930.6	653.6	4.43	1.44	6
PI(40:6)	928.6	651.6	4.36	1.44	7
LPI(18:0)	618.3	341.3	2.40	1.00	16
LPI(18:1)	616.3	339.3	2.16	1.00	11
LPI(18:2)	614.3	337.3	1.96	1.00	8
LPI(20:4)	638.3	361.3	1.99	1.00	12
PG(34:1)	766.6	577.5	4.41	1.00	13
PG(36:1)	794.6	605.6	4.75	1.00	20
PG(36:2)	792.6	603.5	4.54	1.00	14
Cholesterol	404.4	369.4	5.13	1.00	11
CE(14:0)	614.6	369.3	7.88	2.04	12
CE(15:0)	628.6	369.3	7.96	1.56	8
CE(16:0)	642.6	369.3	8.04	1.27	6
CE(16:1)	640.6	369.3	7.88	0.69	13
CE(16:2)	638.6	369.3	7.75	0.21	11
CE(17:0)	656.6	369.3	8.10	1.08	9
CE(17:1)	654.6	369.3	7.96	0.58	9
CE(18:0)	670.7	369.3	8.17	0.93	8
CE(18:1)	668.6	369.3	8.02	0.50	11
CE(18:2)	666.6	369.3	7.90	0.15	12
CE(18:3)	664.6	369.3	7.78	0.15	13
CE(20:1)	696.7	369.3	8.20	0.39	13
CE(20:2)	694.7	369.3	8.03	0.12	16
CE(20:3)	692.6	369.3	7.93	0.12	12
CE(20:4)	690.6	369.3	7.81	0.12	10
CE(20:5)	688.6	369.3	7.70	0.12	13
CE(22:0)	726.7	369.3	8.39	0.60	11
CE(22:1)	724.7	369.3	8.31	0.32	15
CE(22:4)	718.7	369.3	7.94	0.10	11
CE(22:5)	716.6	369.3	7.85	0.10	12
CE(22:6)	714.6	369.3	7.75	0.10	13
CE(24:0)	754.7	369.3	8.51	0.51	9
CE(24:1)	752.7	369.3	8.37	0.27	17
CE(24:4)	746.7	369.3	8.11	0.08	13
CE(24:5)	744.7	369.3	7.96	0.08	20

Lipid ^a	Parent ion (m/z)	Product ion (m/z)	Retention time (min)	Correction factor ^b	% CV ^c
CE(24:6)	742.7	369.3	7.87	0.08	16
DG(14:0_16:0)	558.5	313.3	6.41	2.00	15
DG(14:0_18:1)	584.5	339.3	6.54	2.00	9
DG(14:0_18:2)	582.5	285.2	6.25	2.00	17
DG(16:0_16:0)	586.5	313.2	6.68	1.00	12
DG(16:0_18:0)	614.6	341.3	6.92	2.00	18
DG(16:0_18:1)	612.6	339.3	6.63	2.00	8
DG(16:0_18:2)	610.5	313.2	6.54	2.00	6
DG(16:0_20:0)	642.6	313.3	7.16	2.00	11
DG(16:0_20:3)	636.6	313.3	6.65	2.00	11
DG(16:0_20:4)	634.5	313.2	6.57	2.00	13
DG(16:0_22:5)	660.6	313.3	6.58	2.00	11
DG(16:0_22:6)	658.5	313.2	6.53	2.00	6
DG(16:1_18:0)	612.6	311.3	6.72	2.00	7
DG(16:1_18:1)	610.5	339.2	6.53	2.00	14
DG(18:0_18:0)	642.6	341.3	7.08	1.00	8
DG(18:0_18:1)	640.6	339.3	6.89	2.00	7
DG(18:0_18:2)	638.6	341.3	6.84	2.00	9
DG(18:0_20:4)	662.6	341.3	6.81	2.00	10
DG(18:1_18:1)	638.6	339.3	6.70	1.00	9
DG(18:1_18:2)	636.6	339.3	6.62	2.00	10
DG(18:1_18:3)	634.5	339.2	6.37	2.00	6
DG(18:1_20:0)	668.6	369.3	7.10	2.00	9
DG(18:1_20:3)	662.6	339.3	6.71	2.00	8
DG(18:1_20:4)	660.6	339.3	6.60	2.00	11
DG(18:2_18:2)	634.5	337.2	6.33	1.00	10
TG(14:0_16:0_18:1)	822.8	523.5	8.10	3.00	19
TG(14:0_16:0_18:2)	820.8	547.5	7.94	3.00	20
TG(14:0_16:1_18:1)	820.8	521.5	7.94	3.00	19
TG(14:0_16:1_18:2)	818.8	521.5	7.84	3.00	20
TG(14:0_17:0_18:1)	836.8	537.5	8.20	3.00	20
TG(14:0_18:0_18:1)	850.8	605.6	8.15	3.00	20
TG(14:0_18:2_18:2)	844.8	599.5	7.85	3.00	18
TG(14:1_16:0_18:1)	820.8	577.6	7.94	3.00	19
TG(14:1_16:1_18:0)	820.8	549.5	7.94	3.00	19
TG(14:1_18:0_18:2)	846.8	603.6	7.94	3.00	16
TG(14:1_18:1_18:1)	846.8	547.5	7.95	1.50	25
TG(15:0_16:0_18:1)	836.8	577.5	8.25	3.00	20
TG(15:0_18:1_18:1)	862.8	603.6	8.09	3.00	18
TG(16:0_16:0_16:0)	824.8	551.5	8.14	1.00	17
TG(16:0_16:0_18:0)	852.8	551.5	8.25	3.00	20
TG(16:0_16:0_18:1)	851.8	552.5	8.20	3.00	20
TG(16:0_16:0_18:2)	848.8	551.5	8.06	3.00	22
TG(16:0_16:1_17:0)	836.8	563.5	8.20	3.00	17
TG(16:0_16:1_18:1)	848.8	549.5	8.02	3.00	16

Lipid ^a	Parent ion (m/z)	Product ion (m/z)	Retention time (min)	Correction factor ^b	% CV ^c
TG(16:0_17:0_18:0)	866.8	593.6	8.35	3.00	19
TG(16:0_17:0_18:1)	864.8	565.5	8.30	3.00	19
TG(16:0_17:0_18:2)	862.8	589.6	8.20	3.00	19
TG(16:0_18:0_18:1)	878.8	577.5	8.24	3.00	18
TG(16:0_18:1_18:1)	876.8	603.6	8.12	3.00	21
TG(16:0_18:1_18:2)	874.8	577.6	8.05	3.00	19
TG(16:0_18:2_18:2)	872.8	599.6	7.96	3.00	20
TG(16:1_16:1_16:1)	818.8	547.5	7.82	1.00	21
TG(16:1_16:1_18:0)	848.8	547.5	8.06	3.00	23
TG(16:1_16:1_18:1)	846.8	575.6	7.93	1.50	26
TG(16:1_17:0_18:1)	862.8	563.5	8.20	3.00	20
TG(16:1_18:1_18:1)	874.8	603.6	8.06	3.00	20
TG(16:1_18:1_18:2)	872.8	573.6	7.96	3.00	19
TG(17:0_18:1_18:1)	890.8	603.6	8.19	3.00	23
TG(18:0_18:0_18:0)	908.9	607.6	8.42	1.00	15
TG(18:0_18:0_18:1)	906.9	607.6	8.35	3.00	17
TG(18:0_18:1_18:1)	904.9	603.6	8.26	3.00	23
TG(18:0_18:2_18:2)	900.8	599.5	8.08	3.00	23
TG(18:1_18:1_18:1)	902.8	902.8	8.15	1.00	22
TG(18:1_18:1_18:2)	900.9	603.9	8.04	3.00	24
TG(18:1_18:1_20:4)	924.9	603.6	8.02	3.00	22
TG(18:1_18:1_22:6)	948.9	603.7	7.97	3.00	22
TG(18:1_18:2_18:2)	898.9	599.6	7.99	3.00	22
TG(18:2_18:2_18:2)	896.9	599.6	7.89	1.00	19
TG(18:2_18:2_20:4)	920.9	599.6	7.83	3.00	17

^a CE, cholesteryl ester; Cer(d18:0), dihydroceramide; Cer(d18:1), ceramide; COH, free cholesterol; DG, diacylglycerol; HexCer, monohexosylceramide; Hex2Cer, dihexosylceramide; Hex3Cer, trihexosylceramide; GM3, G_{M3} ganglioside; LPC, lysophosphatidylcholine; LPC(O), lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine; LPE, lysophosphatidylethanolamine; LPI, lysophosphatidylinositol; PC, phosphatidylcholine; PC(O), alkylphosphatidylcholine; PC(P), alkenylphosphatidylcholine; PE, phosphatidylethanolamine; PE(O), alkylphosphatidylethanolamine; PE(P), alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine; PG, phosphatidylglycerol; PI, phosphatidylinositol; SM, sphingomyelin; TG, triacylglycerol.

^b values by which the analyte concentration is multiplied by adjust for differential responses.

^c %CV based on variance between 10 quality control samples spread across the entire analytical run

Supplementary Table 3: Demographic and clinical characteristics of study participants

Variable ^a	Healthy (N=40) ^b	Metabolic syndrome (N=94) ^b	P-value ^c
Age (years)	54±4	56±6	NS
Sex (Males/Females)	(19/21)	(56/38)	NS
SBP (mmHg)	121±9	136±16	<0.001
BMI (kg/m ²)	23±2	33±4	<0.001
Fasting glucose (mmol/L)	5.0±0.5	5.9±0.7	<0.001
Triacylglycerol (mmol/L)	0.75±0.28	1.83±1.06	<0.001
Total cholesterol (mmol/L)	4.76±0.42	5.55±0.91	<0.01
LDL-C (mmol/L)	2.71±0.52	3.51±0.78	<0.001
HDL-C (mmol/L)	1.71±0.28	1.21±0.26	<0.001
Apolipoprotein A-I (g/L)	1.69±0.22	1.43±0.24	<0.001

^aSBP: systolic blood pressure; BMI: body mass index; LDL-C: low-density lipoprotein-cholesterol; HDL: high-density lipoprotein-cholesterol.

^bValues are Means ± standard deviations.

^cP-values calculated using student t-test, NS: not significant.

Supplementary Table 4: Plasma lipid classes/subclasses in metabolic syndrome and healthy individuals

Lipid ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS VS Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
Dihydroceramide	3.13 ± 0.94	12	NS
Ceramide	5.30 ± 1.30	8	NS
Monohexosylceramide	8.69 ± 2.43	-9	NS
Dihexosylceramide	22.5 ± 5.40	-22	<0.001
Trihexosylceramide	2.97 ± 0.51	-24	<0.001
GM3 ganglioside	4.04 ± 0.69	-12	<0.01
Sphingomyelin	304 ± 44	-5	<0.05
Phosphatidylcholine	849 ± 90	-2	NS
Alkylphosphatidylcholine	30.7 ± 4.8	-18	<0.001
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine	17.1 ± 3.3	-20	<0.001
Lysophosphatidylcholine	102 ± 21	-24	<0.001
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine	0.85 ± 0.16	-35	<0.001
Phosphatidylethanolamine	40.0 ± 23.7	-7	NS
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine	4.41 ± 1.58	-17	<0.05
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine	43.3 ± 22.1	-20	<0.05
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine	8.58 ± 2.70	-23	<0.01
Phosphatidylinositol	43.8 ± 10.2	7	NS
Lysophosphatidylinositol	0.31 ± 0.08	-6	NS
Phosphatidylglycerol	0.19 ± 0.09	36	<0.01
Free cholesterol	1247 ± 185	-6	<0.05
Cholesterol ester	3586 ± 889	43	<0.01
Diacylglycerol	66.2 ± 19.3	45	<0.001
Triacylglycerol	266 ± 90	58	<0.001

^a Represents the sum of the individual lipid species within that group.

^b Values are mean ± standard deviation for healthy individuals (μmol/L).

^c % difference of the Means between the MetS and the healthy individuals, healthy individuals as a reference.

^d Data were log transformed, and significance in P-values determined by student t-test (MetS vs healthy), corrected for multiple comparisons by the method of Benjamini Hochberg, NS: not significant.

Supplementary Table 5: Plasma lipid species in metabolic syndrome and healthy individuals

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
Cer(d18:0/16:0)	0.1 ± 0.02	5	2.60E-01
Cer(d18:0/18:0)	0.04 ± 0.03	32	5.60E-04
Cer(d18:0/20:0)	0.05 ± 0.04	18	5.30E-03
Cer(d18:0/22:0)	0.2 ± 0.09	25	1.50E-03
Cer(d18:0/24:0)	0.21 ± 0.13	30	2.00E-03
Cer(d18:0/24:1)	2.53 ± 0.81	9	2.10E-01
Cer(d18:1/16:0)	0.33 ± 0.09	-1	9.90E-01
Cer(d18:1/18:0)	0.11 ± 0.05	28	1.80E-04
Cer(d18:1/20:0)	0.11 ± 0.06	3	3.30E-01
Cer(d18:1/22:0)	0.84 ± 0.24	11	9.00E-02
Cer(d18:1/24:0)	3.21 ± 0.98	6	2.40E-01
Cer(d18:1/24:1)	0.71 ± 0.18	8	1.80E-01
HexCer(d18:1/16:0)	0.92 ± 0.25	-2	6.70E-01
HexCer(d18:1/18:0)	0.12 ± 0.04	76	2.80E-01
HexCer(d18:1/20:0)	0.14 ± 0.05	-8	2.40E-01
HexCer(d18:1/22:0)	2.06 ± 0.66	-8	2.50E-01
HexCer(d18:1/24:0)	3.02 ± 0.88	-7	2.70E-01
HexCer(d18:1/24:1)	2.41 ± 0.89	-17	1.90E-02
Hex2Cer(d18:1/16:0)	13.04 ± 2.32	-16	6.40E-06
Hex2Cer(d18:1/18:0)	0.12 ± 0.04	-30	1.80E-05
Hex2Cer(d18:1/20:0)	0.46 ± 0.32	-26	2.10E-02
Hex2Cer(d18:1/22:0)	1.83 ± 1.33	-35	3.40E-05
Hex2Cer(d18:1/24:0)	1.85 ± 1.49	-35	8.40E-05
Hex2Cer(d18:1/24:1)	5.22 ± 1.32	-27	2.30E-08
Hex3Cer(d18:1/16:0)	1.7 ± 0.29	-21	6.60E-09
Hex3Cer(d18:1/18:0)	0.23 ± 0.08	-20	6.90E-04
Hex3Cer(d18:1/20:0)	0.09 ± 0.04	-22	6.00E-03
Hex3Cer(d18:1/22:0)	0.33 ± 0.1	-32	5.50E-07
Hex3Cer(d18:1/24:0)	0.2 ± 0.07	-33	9.50E-08
Hex3Cer(d18:1/24:1)	0.43 ± 0.11	-28	2.60E-07
GM3(d18:1/16:0)	1.14 ± 0.18	-15	4.80E-06
GM3(d18:1/18:0)	0.43 ± 0.09	-14	3.60E-04
GM3(d18:1/20:0)	0.44 ± 0.07	-2	6.00E-01
GM3(d18:1/22:0)	0.73 ± 0.23	-9	1.10E-01
GM3(d18:1/24:0)	0.63 ± 0.19	-13	1.70E-02
GM3(d18:1/24:1)	0.67 ± 0.19	-17	9.50E-04
SM(31:1)	0.49 ± 0.18	-9	2.00E-01
SM(32:0)	0.36 ± 0.1	2	6.70E-01
SM(32:1)	14.02 ± 3.56	-1	9.10E-01
SM(32:2)	0.91 ± 0.26	9	2.60E-01
SM(33:1)	9.91 ± 2.69	-12	2.30E-02
SM(34:0)	2.97 ± 0.52	-5	6.20E-02
SM(34:1)	135.6 ± 22.73	-9	2.00E-03

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
SM(34:2)	19.94 ± 2.89	-3	2.80E-01
SM(34:3)	0.12 ± 0.03	-2	5.40E-01
SM(35:1)	2.71 ± 0.74	-8	9.80E-02
SM(35:2)	0.51 ± 0.12	-7	1.00E-01
SM(36:1)	20.44 ± 6	10	1.50E-01
SM(36:2)	6.98 ± 1.42	5	4.20E-01
SM(36:3)	0.7 ± 0.15	-2	3.30E-01
SM(37:2)	0.55 ± 0.12	-10	1.50E-02
SM(38:1)	32.12 ± 5.19	1	9.70E-01
SM(38:2)	27.42 ± 3.6	-7	1.30E-02
SM(39:1)	5 ± 1.63	-8	1.90E-01
SM(41:1)	8.95 ± 2.52	2	8.40E-01
SM(41:2)	7.57 ± 1.7	-14	7.60E-04
SM(42:1)	6.71 ± 2.07	-2	6.20E-01
PC(28:0)	0.22 ± 0.13	3	8.30E-01
PC(29:0)	0.14 ± 0.04	-26	8.50E-06
PC(30:0)	1.43 ± 0.59	-5	5.20E-01
PC(31:0)	0.5 ± 0.2	-12	1.50E-01
PC(31:1)	0.98 ± 0.24	-8	8.50E-02
PC(32:0)	6.01 ± 1.69	-18	3.30E-04
PC(32:1)	11.24 ± 3.15	23	3.10E-03
PC(32:2)	3.9 ± 0.86	8	1.30E-01
PC(32:3)	0.3 ± 0.06	-3	3.10E-01
PC(33:0)	0.75 ± 0.21	-17	2.70E-03
PC(33:1)	2.14 ± 0.61	-2	6.80E-01
PC(33:2)	1.72 ± 0.51	-11	6.20E-02
PC(33:3)	0.09 ± 0.03	-11	4.60E-02
PC(34:0)	2.04 ± 0.7	-18	3.80E-04
PC(34:1)	123.76 ± 19.64	-1	6.40E-01
PC(34:2)	196.47 ± 30.25	-7	4.10E-02
PC(34:3)	9.11 ± 2.24	-5	2.50E-01
PC(34:4)	0.65 ± 0.24	7	3.90E-01
PC(34:5)	0.08 ± 0.07	4	3.70E-01
PC(35:0)	0.08 ± 0.02	-24	1.80E-05
PC(35:1)	3.68 ± 0.9	-11	2.20E-02
PC(35:2)	7.98 ± 2.05	-19	3.30E-05
PC(35:3)	0.96 ± 0.23	-9	5.00E-02
PC(35:4)	0.65 ± 0.19	-4	6.50E-01
PC(36:0)	0.09 ± 0.06	-27	2.20E-04
PC(36:1)	18.6 ± 4.53	-1	7.50E-01
PC(36:2)	128.9 ± 20.26	-7	2.20E-02
PC(36:3)	88.91 ± 14.97	-1	6.00E-01
PC(36:4)	76.47 ± 17.22	-1	9.10E-01
PC(36:5)	14.81 ± 4.43	-6	9.60E-01

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
PC(36:6)	0.39 ± 0.2	2	6.30E-01
PC(37:4)	3.7 ± 0.79	-11	8.60E-03
PC(37:5)	0.86 ± 0.47	-17	1.50E-01
PC(37:6)	0.26 ± 0.14	-15	2.20E-01
PC(38:2)	5.87 ± 0.98	-11	8.50E-04
PC(38:3)	13.64 ± 3.02	29	1.60E-05
PC(38:4)	42.14 ± 12.37	8	1.20E-01
PC(38:5)	33.99 ± 8.79	-3	5.70E-01
PC(38:6)	35.04 ± 11.03	-6	4.70E-01
PC(38:7)	2.86 ± 1.08	-2	9.10E-01
PC(39:5)	0.58 ± 0.18	-16	4.90E-03
PC(39:6)	0.88 ± 0.39	-23	6.40E-03
PC(39:7)	0.07 ± 0.03	-26	8.00E-04
PC(40:4)	1.43 ± 0.41	9	2.90E-01
PC(40:5)	4.72 ± 1.3	10	1.10E-01
PC(40:6)	12.19 ± 4.8	9	1.70E-01
PC(40:7)	2.13 ± 0.7	-15	1.20E-02
PC(40:8)	0.5 ± 0.14	-29	2.50E-08
PC(O-32:0)	1.18 ± 0.2	-19	1.20E-07
PC(O-32:1)	0.24 ± 0.06	-26	1.20E-07
PC(O-32:2)	0.04 ± 0.02	-40	3.00E-05
PC(O-34:1)	1.94 ± 0.4	-30	8.30E-12
PC(O-34:2)	2.12 ± 0.59	-29	1.90E-08
PC(O-34:3)	0.08 ± 0.03	-12	4.10E-02
PC(O-34:4)	0.12 ± 0.04	-31	2.00E-07
PC(O-35:4)	0.84 ± 0.19	-5	2.10E-01
PC(O-36:0)	0.03 ± 0.04	-48	2.10E-05
PC(O-36:1)	0.22 ± 0.06	-32	2.80E-09
PC(O-36:2)	1.23 ± 0.41	-36	1.80E-10
PC(O-36:3)	3.39 ± 0.79	-18	3.10E-05
PC(O-36:4)	7.07 ± 1.32	-11	3.00E-03
PC(O-36:5)	0.73 ± 0.45	-17	1.90E-01
PC(O-38:4)	1.74 ± 0.46	-16	1.20E-03
PC(O-38:5)	7.21 ± 1.53	-17	3.40E-05
PC(O-40:5)	0.77 ± 0.16	-25	5.10E-09
PC(O-40:6)	0.67 ± 0.18	-25	1.40E-06
PC(O-40:7)	1.07 ± 0.41	-23	4.00E-04
PC(P-30:0)	0.06 ± 0.02	-20	2.30E-04
PC(P-32:0)	0.87 ± 0.19	-18	1.70E-05
PC(P-32:1)	0.11 ± 0.02	-18	5.70E-06
PC(P-34:1)	1.36 ± 0.3	-32	1.70E-12
PC(P-34:2)	2.67 ± 0.64	-33	6.10E-12
PC(P-34:3)	0.34 ± 0.08	-32	1.10E-11
PC(P-36:2)	0.76 ± 0.22	-38	1.30E-11

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
PC(P-36:4)	4.78 ± 1.01	-10	1.60E-02
PC(P-36:5)	0.5 ± 0.35	-18	2.70E-01
PC(P-38:4)	0.95 ± 0.27	-15	4.80E-03
PC(P-38:5)	2.23 ± 0.67	-16	5.50E-03
PC(P-38:6)	1.34 ± 0.55	-20	1.30E-02
PC(P-40:5)	0.76 ± 0.3	-25	4.10E-05
PC(P-40:6)	0.38 ± 0.12	-26	1.60E-05
LPC(14:0)	1.16 ± 0.33	-6	3.10E-01
LPC(15:0)	0.65 ± 0.17	-20	4.10E-05
LPC(16:0)	43.16 ± 9.13	-21	5.20E-07
LPC(16:1)	1.94 ± 0.48	-8	6.10E-02
LPC(17:0)	1.12 ± 0.27	-31	3.00E-10
LPC(17:1)	0.21 ± 0.05	-27	1.80E-08
LPC(18:0)	13.73 ± 2.92	-20	2.50E-06
LPC(18:1)	11.98 ± 3.13	-31	1.80E-09
LPC(18:2)	19.25 ± 6.16	-37	4.00E-09
LPC(18:3)	0.49 ± 0.2	-33	1.60E-06
LPC(20:0)	0.1 ± 0.03	-37	1.80E-09
LPC(20:1)	0.17 ± 0.05	-44	3.60E-13
LPC(20:2)	0.17 ± 0.05	-26	8.20E-07
LPC(20:3)	1.49 ± 0.46	-6	2.90E-01
LPC(20:4)	3.69 ± 1.27	-20	1.90E-03
LPC(20:5)	0.98 ± 0.63	-24	7.80E-02
LPC(22:0)	0.03 ± 0.01	-30	3.80E-06
LPC(22:1)	0.02 ± 0.01	-45	1.20E-09
LPC(22:5)	0.36 ± 0.11	-21	3.90E-04
LPC(22:6)	1.24 ± 0.5	-23	2.30E-03
LPC(24:0)	0.05 ± 0.02	-25	3.90E-05
LPC(26:0)	0.01 ± 0	-31	7.80E-09
LPC(O-16:0)	0.3 ± 0.07	-34	3.30E-13
LPC(O-18:0)	0.1 ± 0.03	-41	5.70E-12
LPC(O-18:1)	0.19 ± 0.06	-42	1.60E-12
LPC(O-20:0)	2.22 ± 0.06	0	7.80E-01
LPC(O-20:1)	0.02 ± 0	-34	3.00E-13
LPC(O-22:0)	0.07 ± 0.01	-27	2.90E-11
LPC(O-22:1)	0.03 ± 0.01	-45	3.10E-19
LPC(O-24:0)	0.06 ± 0.01	-18	6.10E-06
LPC(O-24:1)	0.07 ± 0.01	-30	1.00E-11
LPC(O-24:2)	0.02 ± 0.01	-43	4.10E-13
PE(32:0)	0.07 ± 0.04	-41	2.30E-05
PE(32:1)	0.13 ± 0.08	30	7.40E-02
PE(34:1)	1.55 ± 1.22	-14	5.00E-01
PE(34:2)	2.54 ± 1.39	-5	7.30E-01
PE(34:3)	0.19 ± 0.11	-12	3.70E-01

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
PE(35:1)	0.11 ± 0.06	-16	1.10E-01
PE(35:2)	0.18 ± 0.1	-15	1.90E-01
PE(36:0)	0.026 ± 0.01	-6	3.60E-01
PE(36:1)	1.16 ± 0.91	-9	8.40E-01
PE(36:2)	5.63 ± 3.38	3	6.70E-01
PE(36:3)	2.57 ± 1.71	-26	4.40E-02
PE(36:4)	3.2 ± 2.02	-14	3.60E-01
PE(36:5)	0.26 ± 0.16	-13	2.60E-01
PE(38:3)	0.76 ± 0.58	22	4.10E-02
PE(38:4)	8.7 ± 8.04	-15	6.50E-01
PE(38:5)	4.17 ± 2.62	-20	7.40E-02
PE(38:6)	5.1 ± 2.57	-3	9.10E-01
PE(40:4)	0.3 ± 0.49	-36	1.10E-01
PE(40:5)	0.13 ± 0.09	34	3.90E-02
PE(40:6)	2.57 ± 1.39	28	1.00E-02
PE(40:7)	0.71 ± 0.38	-19	9.50E-02
PE(O-34:1)	0.19 ± 0.07	-21	6.20E-04
PE(O-34:2)	0.16 ± 0.06	-25	1.40E-04
PE(O-36:2)	0.16 ± 0.13	-36	1.60E-04
PE(O-36:3)	0.18 ± 0.08	-15	2.20E-02
PE(O-36:4)	0.79 ± 0.28	-9	8.20E-02
PE(O-36:5)	0.14 ± 0.08	-16	9.80E-02
PE(O-36:6)	0.1 ± 0.09	-15	9.10E-01
PE(O-38:4)	0.8 ± 0.31	-14	3.10E-02
PE(O-38:5)	0.84 ± 0.34	-13	8.50E-02
PE(O-40:5)	0.24 ± 0.09	-21	1.00E-03
PE(O-40:6)	0.42 ± 0.16	-15	4.30E-02
PE(O-40:7)	0.39 ± 0.33	-33	2.80E-03
PE(P-34:1)	0.72 ± 0.35	-26	2.00E-04
PE(P-34:2)	1.72 ± 0.73	-15	6.80E-02
PE(P-36:1)	0.56 ± 0.25	-21	7.10E-03
PE(P-36:2)	2.43 ± 1.04	-22	1.90E-03
PE(P-36:4)	6.15 ± 5.52	-19	1.30E-01
PE(P-38:4)	7.38 ± 5.89	-23	2.40E-02
PE(P-38:5)	11.29 ± 4.61	-15	4.50E-02
PE(P-38:6)	5.4 ± 2.5	-11	2.90E-01
PE(P-40:4)	1.46 ± 2.1	-50	5.80E-06
PE(P-40:5)	3.56 ± 1.66	-28	2.50E-05
PE(P-40:6)	2.59 ± 1.17	-20	6.00E-03
LPE(16:0)	1.41 ± 0.41	-25	5.00E-06
LPE(18:0)	1.87 ± 0.77	-28	1.50E-05
LPE(18:1)	1.26 ± 0.58	-29	7.90E-04
LPE(18:2)	2.05 ± 1.03	-27	6.00E-03
LPE(20:4)	1.12 ± 0.44	-14	5.30E-02

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
LPE(22:6)	0.87 ± 0.3	-11	1.40E-01
PI(32:0)	0.17 ± 0.11	15	4.40E-01
PI(32:1)	0.31 ± 0.17	96	3.00E-06
PI(34:0)	0.04 ± 0.01	4	3.70E-01
PI(34:1)	2.22 ± 0.68	30	1.80E-03
PI(36:1)	2 ± 0.54	4	8.50E-01
PI(36:2)	5.82 ± 1.38	0	7.20E-01
PI(36:3)	1.51 ± 0.46	-2	6.40E-01
PI(36:4)	2.05 ± 0.64	21	2.50E-02
PI(38:2)	0.29 ± 0.1	-5	2.90E-01
PI(38:3)	3.55 ± 1.16	17	3.50E-02
PI(38:4)	20.94 ± 6.53	4	4.60E-01
PI(38:5)	1.79 ± 0.64	-12	5.50E-02
PI(38:6)	0.47 ± 0.18	-2	6.40E-01
PI(40:4)	0.28 ± 0.1	7	4.50E-01
PI(40:5)	1.17 ± 0.35	15	3.50E-02
PI(40:6)	1.22 ± 0.51	3	5.30E-01
LPI(18:0)	0.05 ± 0.02	-4	6.00E-01
LPI(18:1)	0.05 ± 0.02	-9	1.40E-01
LPI(18:2)	0.07 ± 0.03	-11	1.90E-01
LPI(20:4)	0.14 ± 0.04	-4	5.10E-01
PG(34:1)	0.07 ± 0.04	12	2.00E-01
PG(36:1)	0.06 ± 0.03	66	1.00E-05
PG(36:2)	0.06 ± 0.03	33	2.40E-03
Cholesterol	1246.63 ± 185.2	-6	4.40E-02
CE(14:0)	27.34 ± 11.64	57	1.60E-05
CE(15:0)	13.49 ± 5.85	7	3.40E-01
CE(16:0)	234.01 ± 37.52	15	3.60E-04
CE(16:1)	115.48 ± 54.28	102	8.50E-08
CE(16:2)	2.93 ± 1.29	76	2.00E-07
CE(17:0)	13.57 ± 5.2	4	6.30E-01
CE(17:1)	16.22 ± 8.25	14	1.20E-01
CE(18:0)	25.81 ± 6.15	21	1.00E-03
CE(18:1)	682.72 ± 182.58	18	6.90E-03
CE(18:2)	1388.9 ± 363.59	39	1.00E-05
CE(18:3)	139.43 ± 51.37	72	7.20E-07
CE(20:1)	1.15 ± 0.28	25	4.30E-04
CE(20:2)	0.73 ± 0.23	18	1.40E-02
CE(20:3)	34.36 ± 11.16	74	1.60E-09
CE(20:4)	485.14 ± 175.44	62	2.60E-07
CE(20:5)	261.52 ± 156.07	64	3.40E-05
CE(22:0)	1.05 ± 0.27	65	4.00E-09
CE(22:1)	0.734 ± 0.24	46	4.10E-07
CE(22:4)	0.71 ± 0.25	32	8.00E-04

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
CE(22:5)	7.39 ± 2.5	56	8.60E-06
CE(22:6)	133.42 ± 51.89	63	9.60E-06
CE(24:0)	0.55 ± 0.15	69	4.00E-09
CE(24:1)	0.35 ± 0.09	54	2.40E-07
CE(24:4)	0.11 ± 0.03	36	1.90E-06
CE(24:5)	0.10 ± 0.02	47	2.20E-04
CE(24:6)	0.18 ± 0.07	64	2.90E-07
DG(14:0_16:0)	0.28 ± 0.09	46	7.30E-06
DG(14:0_18:1)	0.9 ± 0.32	65	4.30E-08
DG(14:0_18:2)	0.28 ± 0.16	59	5.50E-05
DG(16:0_16:0)	2.39 ± 0.41	28	3.50E-06
DG(16:0_18:0)	10.56 ± 1.21	2	6.70E-01
DG(16:0_18:1)	7.49 ± 2.86	87	3.00E-10
DG(16:0_18:2)	3.13 ± 1.33	49	7.60E-06
DG(16:0_20:0)	0.1 ± 0.04	2	8.20E-01
DG(16:0_20:3)	0.22 ± 0.13	56	1.90E-04
DG(16:0_20:4)	0.76 ± 0.3	20	1.40E-02
DG(16:0_22:5)	0.2 ± 0.11	59	8.40E-06
DG(16:0_22:6)	0.74 ± 0.37	29	6.20E-04
DG(16:1_18:0)	0.46 ± 0.08	28	3.10E-06
DG(16:1_18:1)	2.22 ± 1.06	107	3.00E-10
DG(18:0_18:0)	7.14 ± 0.95	-1	6.40E-01
DG(18:0_18:1)	1.6 ± 0.63	79	2.40E-08
DG(18:0_18:2)	1.26 ± 0.41	30	2.60E-04
DG(18:0_20:4)	0.39 ± 0.53	-26	2.70E-01
DG(18:1_18:1)	10.47 ± 4.54	88	1.80E-09
DG(18:1_18:2)	8.61 ± 4.1	49	4.20E-05
DG(18:1_18:3)	1.5 ± 0.81	37	4.70E-04
DG(18:1_20:0)	0.7 ± 0.16	0	6.70E-01
DG(18:1_20:3)	1.16 ± 0.56	26	6.80E-03
DG(18:1_20:4)	1.99 ± 1.06	29	7.00E-03
DG(18:2_18:2)	1.63 ± 0.86	21	3.60E-02
TG(14:0_16:0_18:1)	2.56 ± 2.02	114	2.40E-06
TG(14:0_16:0_18:2)	4.83 ± 3.45	101	5.70E-06
TG(14:0_16:1_18:1)	4.81 ± 3.45	98	3.10E-06
TG(14:0_16:1_18:2)	2.08 ± 2.02	58	3.90E-04
TG(14:0_17:0_18:1)	1.96 ± 1.2	70	3.40E-05
TG(14:0_18:0_18:1)	0.22 ± 0.21	50	1.10E-03
TG(14:0_18:2_18:2)	1.46 ± 0.96	41	7.50E-03
TG(14:1_16:0_18:1)	0.93 ± 0.64	102	6.60E-06
TG(14:1_16:1_18:0)	3.61 ± 2.29	136	1.20E-07
TG(14:1_18:0_18:2)	0.21 ± 0.09	56	1.00E-05
TG(14:1_18:1_18:1)	3.49 ± 1.71	64	4.70E-06
TG(15:0_16:0_18:1)	0.37 ± 0.23	90	1.60E-05

Lipid species ^a	Healthy ^b	MetS vs Healthy	
		% difference ^c	P-value ^d
TG(15:0_18:1_18:1)	0.51 ± 0.24	57	1.00E-05
TG(16:0_16:0_16:0)	0.79 ± 0.69	79	5.80E-04
TG(16:0_16:0_18:0)	1.17 ± 0.89	78	4.70E-04
TG(16:0_16:0_18:1)	7.87 ± 3.84	88	2.60E-07
TG(16:0_16:0_18:2)	6.96 ± 4.51	50	5.60E-04
TG(16:0_16:1_17:0)	1.87 ± 1.21	93	8.80E-06
TG(16:0_16:1_18:1)	25.79 ± 11.14	97	3.80E-09
TG(16:0_17:0_18:0)	0.08 ± 0.06	86	2.90E-04
TG(16:0_17:0_18:1)	0.69 ± 0.39	93	3.00E-06
TG(16:0_17:0_18:2)	2.41 ± 1.13	77	2.00E-07
TG(16:0_18:0_18:1)	3.49 ± 2.25	100	2.70E-06
TG(16:0_18:1_18:1)	64.14 ± 18.46	56	2.00E-08
TG(16:0_18:1_18:2)	43.09 ± 18.89	43	6.50E-05
TG(16:0_18:2_18:2)	6.68 ± 3.46	40	2.40E-03
TG(16:1_16:1_16:1)	0.21 ± 0.13	111	7.30E-07
TG(16:1_16:1_18:0)	0.41 ± 0.36	39	2.70E-03
TG(16:1_16:1_18:1)	4.09 ± 1.96	94	6.40E-08
TG(16:1_17:0_18:1)	5.9 ± 2.65	61	2.60E-07
TG(16:1_18:1_18:1)	2.98 ± 1.37	62	2.50E-06
TG(16:1_18:1_18:2)	10.57 ± 4.37	49	1.80E-05
TG(17:0_18:1_18:1)	0.77 ± 0.35	62	1.20E-05
TG(18:0_18:0_18:0)	0.36 ± 0.11	-2	6.40E-01
TG(18:0_18:0_18:1)	1.01 ± 0.74	116	2.10E-05
TG(18:0_18:1_18:1)	3.01 ± 1.51	92	3.50E-07
TG(18:0_18:2_18:2)	1.61 ± 0.83	6	4.30E-01
TG(18:1_18:1_18:1)	25.3 ± 8.72	18	5.20E-02
TG(18:1_18:1_18:2)	3.19 ± 1.87	11	2.00E-01
TG(18:1_18:1_20:4)	1.78 ± 0.93	14	1.10E-01
TG(18:1_18:1_22:6)	0.78 ± 0.63	23	8.30E-02
TG(18:1_18:2_18:2)	10.95 ± 6.8	8	3.00E-01
TG(18:2_18:2_18:2)	0.71 ± 0.58	-3	7.80E-01
TG(18:2_18:2_20:4)	0.35 ± 0.23	-9	7.50E-01

^a CE, cholesteryl ester; Cer(d18:0), dihydroceramide; Cer(d18:1), ceramide; COH, free cholesterol; DG, diacylglycerol; HexCer, monohexosylceramide; Hex2Cer, dihexosylceramide; Hex3Cer, trihexosylceramide; GM3, G_{M3} ganglioside; LPC, lysophosphatidylcholine; LPC(O), lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine; LPE, lysophosphatidylethanolamine; LPI, lysophosphatidylinositol; PC, phosphatidylcholine; PC(O), alkylphosphatidylcholine; PC(P), alkenylphosphatidylcholine; PE, phosphatidylethanolamine; PE(O), alkylphosphatidylethanolamine; PE(P), alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine; PG, phosphatidylglycerol; PI, phosphatidylinositol; SM, sphingomyelin; TG, triacylglycerol.

^b Values are mean ± standard deviation for healthy individuals (μmol/L).

^c % difference of the Means between the MetS and the healthy individuals, healthy individuals as a reference.

^d Data were log transformed, and significance in P-values determined by student t-test (MetS vs healthy), corrected for multiple comparisons by the method of Benjamini Hochberg.

Table 6: Linear regression analysis of plasma lipid species against log-norepinephrine, non-esterified fatty acids and heart rate in Mets

Lipid species ^a	Log-Norepinephrine			Non-esterified fatty acids			Heart Rate		
	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
Cer(d18:0/16:0)	0.013 (-0.028-0.055)	5.25E-01	7.30E-01	0.004 (-0.028-0.037)	8.01E-01	9.20E-01	1.5 (-0.32-3.33)	1.11E-01	2.64E-01
Cer(d18:0/18:0)	0.041 (-0.018-0.099)	1.76E-01	4.02E-01	0.071 (0.029-0.113)	1.48E-03	2.79E-02	3.03 (0.6-5.45)	1.64E-02	1.27E-01
Cer(d18:0/20:0)	0.038 (-0.016-0.092)	1.68E-01	3.94E-01	0.03 (-0.011-0.072)	1.56E-01	3.89E-01	3.19 (0.88-5.49)	8.16E-03	9.61E-02
Cer(d18:0/22:0)	0.051 (0.001-0.101)	4.89E-02	1.84E-01	0.031 (-0.007-0.068)	1.16E-01	3.23E-01	3.1 (1.01-5.19)	4.56E-03	7.37E-02
Cer(d18:0/24:0)	0.037 (-0.010-0.085)	1.28E-01	3.31E-01	0.033 (-0.004-0.069)	8.01E-02	2.66E-01	2.35 (0.3-4.4)	2.75E-02	1.49E-01
Cer(d18:0/24:1)	0.070 (0.021-0.120)	6.95E-03	6.93E-02	0.017 (-0.023-0.057)	4.20E-01	6.93E-01	2.1 (-0.15-4.34)	7.09E-02	2.16E-01
Cer(d18:1/16:0)	0.049 (-0.004-0.103)	7.58E-02	2.47E-01	0.051 (0.01-0.092)	1.63E-02	9.89E-02	3.49 (1.2-5.78)	3.70E-03	6.97E-02
Cer(d18:1/18:0)	0.013 (-0.043-0.068)	6.60E-01	8.32E-01	0.055 (0.015-0.096)	8.78E-03	7.09E-02	3.16 (0.88-5.44)	7.91E-03	9.61E-02
Cer(d18:1/20:0)	0.049 (0.002-0.096)	4.48E-02	1.77E-01	0.027 (-0.011-0.064)	1.68E-01	4.04E-01	3.09 (1.03-5.15)	4.24E-03	7.37E-02
Cer(d18:1/22:0)	0.065 (0.017-0.114)	9.76E-03	7.69E-02	0.02 (-0.018-0.058)	3.09E-01	5.82E-01	2.73 (0.68-4.79)	1.07E-02	1.07E-01
Cer(d18:1/24:0)	0.080 (0.032-0.128)	1.48E-03	6.04E-02	0.023 (-0.015-0.061)	2.38E-01	5.06E-01	2.04 (-0.12-4.2)	6.71E-02	2.16E-01
Cer(d18:1/24:1)	0.035 (-0.015-0.086)	1.77E-01	4.02E-01	0.037 (-0.002-0.075)	6.34E-02	2.34E-01	2.72 (0.56-4.88)	1.54E-02	1.24E-01
HexCer(d18:1/16:0)	0.029 (-0.027-0.085)	3.10E-01	5.91E-01	0.045 (0.006-0.084)	2.64E-02	1.33E-01	2.63 (0.43-4.82)	2.15E-02	1.38E-01
HexCer(d18:1/18:0)	0.001 (-0.034-0.035)	9.66E-01	9.83E-01	0.024 (-0.002-0.05)	7.53E-02	2.61E-01	1.46 (-0.02-2.95)	5.73E-02	2.01E-01
HexCer(d18:1/20:0)	0.019 (-0.028-0.066)	4.27E-01	6.67E-01	0.045 (0.01-0.08)	1.28E-02	8.69E-02	1.61 (-0.45-3.66)	1.30E-01	2.82E-01
HexCer(d18:1/22:0)	0.052 (0.006-0.098)	2.91E-02	1.49E-01	0.025 (-0.011-0.061)	1.85E-01	4.33E-01	1.43 (-0.63-3.48)	1.77E-01	3.29E-01
HexCer(d18:1/24:0)	0.064 (0.008-0.119)	2.74E-02	1.45E-01	0.049 (0.008-0.091)	2.14E-02	1.19E-01	2.29 (-0.08-4.65)	6.15E-02	2.05E-01
HexCer(d18:1/24:1)	0.022 (-0.034-0.079)	4.45E-01	6.77E-01	0.056 (0.013-0.1)	1.24E-02	8.57E-02	2.02 (-0.51-4.55)	1.22E-01	2.73E-01
Hex2Cer(d18:1/16:0)	0.065 (0.016-0.114)	1.08E-02	7.98E-02	0.05 (0.014-0.086)	8.21E-03	6.96E-02	2.7 (0.62-4.77)	1.26E-02	1.22E-01
Hex2Cer(d18:1/18:0)	-0.024 (-0.061-0.013)	2.05E-01	4.44E-01	0.032 (0.004-0.061)	2.89E-02	1.36E-01	0.85 (-0.89-2.59)	3.41E-01	4.62E-01
Hex2Cer(d18:1/20:0)	0.022 (-0.026-0.070)	3.66E-01	6.40E-01	0.02 (-0.018-0.058)	3.00E-01	5.82E-01	0.65 (-1.52-2.81)	5.60E-01	6.46E-01
Hex2Cer(d18:1/22:0)	0.046 (0.003-0.089)	3.93E-02	1.71E-01	0.039 (0.009-0.07)	1.36E-02	9.04E-02	0.79 (-0.97-2.55)	3.81E-01	5.02E-01
Hex2Cer(d18:1/24:0)	0.051 (-0.007-0.109)	8.56E-02	2.66E-01	0.053 (0.011-0.095)	1.53E-02	9.42E-02	1.2 (-1.29-3.68)	3.47E-01	4.67E-01
Hex2Cer(d18:1/24:1)	0.049 (-0.006-0.103)	8.39E-02	2.63E-01	0.058 (0.019-0.097)	4.30E-03	4.55E-02	1.02 (-1.3-3.33)	3.91E-01	5.12E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
Hex3Cer(d18:1/16:0)	0.053 (-0.001-0.106)	5.64E-02	2.06E-01	0.055 (0.012-0.098)	1.43E-02	9.35E-02	0.61 (-1.99-3.21)	6.46E-01	7.15E-01
Hex3Cer(d18:1/18:0)	0.036 (-0.009-0.081)	1.23E-01	3.25E-01	0.039 (0.004-0.074)	3.19E-02	1.43E-01	0.74 (-1.36-2.85)	4.90E-01	5.90E-01
Hex3Cer(d18:1/20:0)	0.088 (0.035-0.141)	1.70E-03	6.04E-02	0.031 (-0.013-0.075)	1.68E-01	4.04E-01	1.22 (-1.3-3.74)	3.46E-01	4.67E-01
Hex3Cer(d18:1/22:0)	0.065 (0.008-0.121)	2.73E-02	1.45E-01	0.032 (-0.01-0.074)	1.35E-01	3.56E-01	-0.01 (-2.43-2.42)	9.95E-01	9.95E-01
Hex3Cer(d18:1/24:0)	0.016 (-0.028-0.060)	4.84E-01	7.04E-01	0.028 (-0.005-0.06)	9.78E-02	2.88E-01	-0.09 (-1.97-1.78)	9.23E-01	9.43E-01
Hex3Cer(d18:1/24:1)	0.020 (-0.041-0.081)	5.19E-01	7.24E-01	0.035 (-0.01-0.079)	1.31E-01	3.50E-01	-0.54 (-3.11-2.03)	6.81E-01	7.47E-01
GM3(d18:1/16:0)	0.034 (-0.015-0.084)	1.79E-01	4.02E-01	0.048 (0.013-0.084)	8.51E-03	7.04E-02	2.44 (0.38-4.5)	2.24E-02	1.41E-01
GM3(d18:1/18:0)	0.036 (-0.023-0.096)	2.31E-01	4.75E-01	0.067 (0.025-0.109)	2.43E-03	3.84E-02	2.5 (0.02-4.98)	5.14E-02	1.99E-01
GM3(d18:1/20:0)	-0.015 (-0.056-0.026)	4.71E-01	6.99E-01	0.039 (0.008-0.071)	1.69E-02	1.01E-01	1.01 (-0.88-2.9)	2.97E-01	4.18E-01
GM3(d18:1/22:0)	0.041 (-0.014-0.096)	1.46E-01	3.63E-01	0.081 (0.041-0.12)	1.26E-04	6.97E-03	3.8 (1.56-6.04)	1.30E-03	5.23E-02
GM3(d18:1/24:0)	0.007 (-0.046-0.060)	7.98E-01	8.97E-01	0.051 (0.013-0.089)	1.05E-02	7.89E-02	0.58 (-1.8-2.96)	6.35E-01	7.10E-01
GM3(d18:1/24:1)	0.005 (-0.059-0.069)	8.84E-01	9.35E-01	0.067 (0.021-0.112)	5.33E-03	5.17E-02	3.33 (0.7-5.96)	1.52E-02	1.24E-01
SM(31:1)	0.073 (0.016-0.130)	1.37E-02	9.10E-02	0.048 (-0.01-0.106)	1.07E-01	3.05E-01	4.13 (0.88-7.38)	1.46E-02	1.24E-01
SM(32:0)	0.053 (-0.004-0.110)	7.15E-02	2.42E-01	0.051 (0.005-0.097)	3.37E-02	1.45E-01	3.8 (1.23-6.37)	4.80E-03	7.39E-02
SM(32:1)	0.073 (0.017-0.130)	1.23E-02	8.75E-02	0.054 (0.005-0.103)	3.20E-02	1.43E-01	3.73 (0.97-6.5)	9.65E-03	1.02E-01
SM(32:2)	0.097 (0.028-0.166)	7.24E-03	6.93E-02	0.117 (0.044-0.19)	2.35E-03	3.84E-02	3.18 (-1.11-7.46)	1.50E-01	3.05E-01
SM(33:1)	0.064 (0.011-0.117)	2.08E-02	1.26E-01	0.033 (-0.015-0.081)	1.83E-01	4.31E-01	3.8 (1.15-6.44)	6.05E-03	8.54E-02
SM(34:0)	0.073 (0.014-0.131)	1.67E-02	1.05E-01	0.025 (-0.021-0.071)	2.84E-01	5.63E-01	3.07 (0.47-5.67)	2.30E-02	1.41E-01
SM(34:1)	0.065 (0.016-0.114)	1.07E-02	7.98E-02	0.034 (-0.004-0.073)	8.70E-02	2.78E-01	2.53 (0.32-4.73)	2.74E-02	1.49E-01
SM(34:2)	0.090 (0.030-0.151)	4.31E-03	6.93E-02	0.09 (0.039-0.14)	7.96E-04	1.80E-02	2.78 (-0.23-5.79)	7.33E-02	2.16E-01
SM(34:3)	0.093 (0.034-0.151)	2.67E-03	6.04E-02	0.099 (0.049-0.15)	1.93E-04	8.18E-03	3.58 (0.52-6.64)	2.42E-02	1.44E-01
SM(35:1)	0.064 (0.010-0.117)	2.13E-02	1.27E-01	0.041 (-0.004-0.087)	7.85E-02	2.66E-01	4.14 (1.63-6.64)	1.76E-03	5.23E-02
SM(35:2)	0.083 (0.024-0.142)	6.86E-03	6.93E-02	0.07 (0.015-0.125)	1.52E-02	9.42E-02	5.21 (2.14-8.28)	1.30E-03	5.23E-02
SM(36:1)	0.031 (-0.023-0.085)	2.60E-01	5.21E-01	0.06 (0.021-0.099)	3.41E-03	4.13E-02	3.44 (1.33-5.56)	2.00E-03	5.23E-02
SM(36:2)	0.056 (-0.002-0.114)	6.15E-02	2.17E-01	0.077 (0.034-0.12)	7.66E-04	1.80E-02	3.7 (1.22-6.18)	4.44E-03	7.37E-02

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
SM(36:3)	0.090 (0.029-0.150)	4.96E-03	6.93E-02	0.103 (0.052-0.153)	1.44E-04	6.97E-03	4.55 (1.57-7.53)	3.62E-03	6.97E-02
SM(37:2)	0.091 (0.033-0.150)	3.05E-03	6.30E-02	0.073 (0.017-0.128)	1.22E-02	8.57E-02	5.68 (2.57-8.78)	5.60E-04	5.23E-02
SM(38:1)	0.046 (-0.005-0.097)	7.85E-02	2.51E-01	0.044 (0.006-0.082)	2.46E-02	1.27E-01	2.18 (0.04-4.32)	4.93E-02	1.95E-01
SM(38:2)	0.053 (0.002-0.104)	4.44E-02	1.77E-01	0.056 (0.019-0.092)	3.54E-03	4.14E-02	2.61 (0.49-4.74)	1.79E-02	1.27E-01
SM(39:1)	0.083 (0.029-0.136)	3.17E-03	6.30E-02	0.024 (-0.022-0.071)	3.09E-01	5.82E-01	3.14 (0.54-5.74)	2.02E-02	1.35E-01
SM(41:1)	0.069 (0.021-0.117)	5.70E-03	6.93E-02	0.02 (-0.019-0.06)	3.17E-01	5.88E-01	3.33 (1.19-5.48)	3.12E-03	6.61E-02
SM(41:2)	0.077 (0.023-0.131)	6.55E-03	6.93E-02	0.028 (-0.02-0.076)	2.50E-01	5.21E-01	2.93 (0.25-5.62)	3.53E-02	1.66E-01
SM(42:1)	0.059 (0.017-0.100)	7.36E-03	6.93E-02	0.02 (-0.014-0.054)	2.51E-01	5.21E-01	1.78 (-0.15-3.71)	7.42E-02	2.16E-01
PC(28:0)	0.041 (-0.017-0.099)	1.69E-01	3.94E-01	0.012 (-0.034-0.058)	6.10E-01	8.69E-01	1.06 (-1.57-3.69)	4.32E-01	5.43E-01
PC(29:0)	0.070 (0.019-0.122)	9.18E-03	7.69E-02	0.047 (0.006-0.087)	2.75E-02	1.33E-01	1.87 (-0.39-4.12)	1.08E-01	2.64E-01
PC(30:0)	0.043 (-0.015-0.100)	1.53E-01	3.67E-01	0.025 (-0.021-0.07)	2.95E-01	5.78E-01	2.19 (-0.37-4.75)	9.75E-02	2.50E-01
PC(31:0)	0.047 (-0.008-0.102)	1.00E-01	2.88E-01	0.014 (-0.032-0.059)	5.63E-01	8.27E-01	2.52 (-0.02-5.05)	5.54E-02	2.00E-01
PC(31:1)	0.068 (0.007-0.129)	3.15E-02	1.55E-01	0.057 (0.003-0.111)	4.09E-02	1.71E-01	5.21 (2.47-7.95)	3.42E-04	5.23E-02
PC(32:0)	0.045 (-0.010-0.099)	1.13E-01	3.09E-01	0.026 (-0.017-0.068)	2.37E-01	5.06E-01	2.51 (0.15-4.88)	4.02E-02	1.74E-01
PC(32:1)	0.011 (-0.048-0.069)	7.20E-01	8.78E-01	0.08 (0.039-0.121)	2.44E-04	8.95E-03	3.05 (0.45-5.65)	2.38E-02	1.44E-01
PC(32:2)	0.080 (0.025-0.135)	5.22E-03	6.93E-02	0.094 (0.051-0.136)	4.82E-05	5.45E-03	4.39 (1.72-7.06)	1.81E-03	5.23E-02
PC(32:3)	0.092 (0.034-0.150)	2.51E-03	6.04E-02	0.088 (0.039-0.137)	6.55E-04	1.80E-02	5.13 (2.19-8.07)	9.77E-04	5.23E-02
PC(33:0)	0.041 (-0.014-0.096)	1.51E-01	3.67E-01	0.029 (-0.015-0.072)	1.98E-01	4.54E-01	3.52 (1.28-5.76)	2.78E-03	6.27E-02
PC(33:1)	0.058 (0.004-0.112)	3.99E-02	1.71E-01	0.05 (0.005-0.095)	3.08E-02	1.41E-01	3.31 (0.71-5.91)	1.44E-02	1.24E-01
PC(33:2)	0.062 (0.011-0.112)	1.88E-02	1.16E-01	0.05 (0.006-0.093)	2.71E-02	1.33E-01	2.75 (0.27-5.23)	3.27E-02	1.61E-01
PC(33:3)	0.048 (-0.006-0.102)	8.79E-02	2.71E-01	0.037 (-0.009-0.082)	1.16E-01	3.23E-01	4.38 (1.87-6.89)	9.56E-04	5.23E-02
PC(34:0)	0.063 (0.014-0.112)	1.35E-02	9.10E-02	0.003 (-0.036-0.041)	8.95E-01	9.63E-01	1.99 (-0.14-4.13)	7.11E-02	2.16E-01
PC(34:1)	0.027 (-0.031-0.086)	3.58E-01	6.36E-01	0.041 (-0.004-0.085)	7.75E-02	2.65E-01	0.84 (-1.63-3.31)	5.08E-01	6.06E-01
PC(34:2)	0.023 (-0.025-0.071)	3.48E-01	6.35E-01	0.036 (0-0.071)	5.25E-02	2.02E-01	1.15 (-0.91-3.2)	2.77E-01	4.02E-01
PC(34:3)	0.036 (-0.009-0.082)	1.18E-01	3.18E-01	0.05 (0.016-0.085)	5.66E-03	5.33E-02	2.54 (0.54-4.54)	1.48E-02	1.24E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
PC(34:4)	0.059 (0.007-0.112)	2.89E-02	1.49E-01	0.074 (0.033-0.116)	6.89E-04	1.80E-02	2.98 (0.54-5.42)	1.90E-02	1.29E-01
PC(34:5)	0.036 (-0.016-0.088)	1.76E-01	4.02E-01	0.009 (-0.032-0.05)	6.59E-01	8.81E-01	2.13 (-0.17-4.43)	7.36E-02	2.16E-01
PC(35:0)	0.074 (0.015-0.133)	1.66E-02	1.05E-01	-0.001 (-0.048-0.046)	9.77E-01	9.95E-01	4.45 (1.72-7.18)	1.96E-03	5.23E-02
PC(35:1)	0.066 (0.003-0.130)	4.38E-02	1.77E-01	0.018 (-0.036-0.072)	5.20E-01	7.85E-01	2.44 (-0.52-5.4)	1.10E-01	2.64E-01
PC(35:2)	0.066 (0.025-0.108)	2.48E-03	6.04E-02	0.031 (-0.005-0.066)	9.36E-02	2.83E-01	1.77 (-0.19-3.73)	8.03E-02	2.16E-01
PC(35:3)	0.057 (0.005-0.110)	3.41E-02	1.59E-01	0.052 (0.009-0.094)	2.09E-02	1.18E-01	2.26 (-0.23-4.75)	7.85E-02	2.16E-01
PC(35:4)	0.073 (0.020-0.125)	8.30E-03	7.54E-02	0.068 (0.024-0.111)	2.99E-03	4.07E-02	3.03 (0.55-5.51)	1.90E-02	1.29E-01
PC(36:0)	0.064 (0.018-0.111)	8.45E-03	7.54E-02	0 (-0.038-0.038)	9.95E-01	9.99E-01	1.81 (-0.12-3.74)	6.96E-02	2.16E-01
PC(36:1)	0.062 (0.005-0.119)	3.61E-02	1.63E-01	0.014 (-0.03-0.058)	5.24E-01	7.87E-01	1.48 (-1.11-4.07)	2.65E-01	3.95E-01
PC(36:2)	0.084 (0.036-0.131)	8.70E-04	5.90E-02	0.027 (-0.013-0.066)	1.88E-01	4.37E-01	1.27 (-0.99-3.52)	2.75E-01	4.02E-01
PC(36:3)	0.046 (0.004-0.088)	3.46E-02	1.59E-01	0.047 (0.016-0.078)	4.00E-03	4.52E-02	0.69 (-1.14-2.51)	4.63E-01	5.68E-01
PC(36:4)	0.036 (-0.013-0.085)	1.52E-01	3.67E-01	0.075 (0.039-0.111)	9.61E-05	6.97E-03	1.05 (-1.09-3.2)	3.40E-01	4.62E-01
PC(36:5)	0.005 (-0.051-0.060)	8.65E-01	9.34E-01	0.006 (-0.037-0.049)	7.81E-01	9.12E-01	2.01 (-0.39-4.4)	1.05E-01	2.57E-01
PC(36:6)	0.040 (-0.006-0.086)	9.19E-02	2.81E-01	0.025 (-0.013-0.062)	2.05E-01	4.57E-01	2.36 (0.32-4.41)	2.61E-02	1.49E-01
PC(37:4)	0.069 (0.021-0.117)	6.00E-03	6.93E-02	0.055 (0.016-0.093)	6.38E-03	5.85E-02	1.26 (-1.01-3.53)	2.81E-01	4.02E-01
PC(37:5)	0.034 (-0.016-0.085)	1.89E-01	4.19E-01	-0.01 (-0.05-0.031)	6.33E-01	8.77E-01	1.7 (-0.45-3.85)	1.24E-01	2.75E-01
PC(37:6)	0.059 (0.007-0.112)	2.95E-02	1.49E-01	0.022 (-0.022-0.066)	3.26E-01	5.98E-01	3.1 (0.67-5.53)	1.44E-02	1.24E-01
PC(38:2)	0.100 (0.040-0.160)	1.57E-03	6.04E-02	0.039 (-0.009-0.086)	1.14E-01	3.21E-01	2.7 (0.02-5.39)	5.17E-02	1.99E-01
PC(38:3)	0.051 (0.005-0.097)	3.09E-02	1.54E-01	0.039 (0.004-0.075)	3.28E-02	1.44E-01	2.21 (0.26-4.16)	2.92E-02	1.51E-01
PC(38:4)	0.066 (0.009-0.122)	2.55E-02	1.41E-01	0.057 (0.014-0.101)	1.12E-02	8.25E-02	1.75 (-0.76-4.27)	1.76E-01	3.29E-01
PC(38:5)	0.037 (-0.006-0.081)	9.77E-02	2.88E-01	0.03 (-0.005-0.064)	9.55E-02	2.85E-01	2.01 (0.13-3.89)	3.95E-02	1.74E-01
PC(38:6)	0.014 (-0.047-0.075)	6.56E-01	8.32E-01	0.01 (-0.036-0.056)	6.84E-01	8.83E-01	2.38 (-0.2-4.96)	7.41E-02	2.16E-01
PC(38:7)	0.007 (-0.056-0.070)	8.28E-01	9.12E-01	0.017 (-0.032-0.066)	4.94E-01	7.64E-01	1.72 (-0.95-4.39)	2.11E-01	3.61E-01
PC(39:5)	0.076 (0.024-0.128)	5.05E-03	6.93E-02	0.015 (-0.028-0.058)	5.02E-01	7.70E-01	3.19 (0.85-5.53)	8.94E-03	9.99E-02
PC(39:6)	0.063 (0.002-0.124)	4.48E-02	1.77E-01	-0.007 (-0.058-0.044)	7.89E-01	9.14E-01	2.17 (-0.74-5.09)	1.47E-01	3.05E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
PC(39:7)	0.059 (-0.002-0.119)	6.03E-02	2.15E-01	0.01 (-0.039-0.059)	6.85E-01	8.83E-01	1.19 (-1.65-4.03)	4.13E-01	5.26E-01
PC(18:0/22:4)	0.033 (-0.020-0.086)	2.25E-01	4.73E-01	0.063 (0.023-0.103)	2.53E-03	3.84E-02	1.61 (-0.62-3.84)	1.61E-01	3.15E-01
PC(40:5)	0.044 (-0.012-0.100)	1.26E-01	3.31E-01	0.037 (-0.005-0.08)	8.82E-02	2.79E-01	3.32 (0.96-5.67)	7.09E-03	9.61E-02
PC(40:6)	0.033 (-0.021-0.087)	2.30E-01	4.75E-01	0.005 (-0.037-0.046)	8.29E-01	9.30E-01	2.06 (-0.2-4.33)	7.71E-02	2.16E-01
PC(40:7)	0.042 (-0.004-0.088)	7.59E-02	2.47E-01	0.016 (-0.02-0.053)	3.86E-01	6.63E-01	1.23 (-0.74-3.2)	2.24E-01	3.61E-01
PC(40:8)	0.064 (0.009-0.119)	2.41E-02	1.36E-01	0.022 (-0.021-0.064)	3.27E-01	5.98E-01	0.66 (-1.78-3.11)	5.97E-01	6.79E-01
PC(O-32:0)	0.085 (0.025-0.145)	6.43E-03	6.93E-02	0.099 (0.059-0.14)	6.11E-06	2.07E-03	4.01 (1.56-6.46)	1.92E-03	5.23E-02
PC(O-32:1)	0.050 (-0.004-0.103)	7.34E-02	2.44E-01	0.091 (0.052-0.13)	1.62E-05	2.74E-03	1.32 (-1.22-3.87)	3.11E-01	4.28E-01
PC(O-32:2)	0.008 (-0.039-0.054)	7.49E-01	8.85E-01	-0.019 (-0.055-0.016)	2.84E-01	5.63E-01	-0.69 (-2.76-1.38)	5.16E-01	6.14E-01
PC(O-34:1)	0.088 (0.025-0.150)	7.08E-03	6.93E-02	0.053 (0.008-0.099)	2.48E-02	1.27E-01	0.64 (-2.04-3.33)	6.39E-01	7.11E-01
PC(O-34:2)	0.073 (0.025-0.121)	3.53E-03	6.30E-02	0.025 (-0.012-0.062)	1.91E-01	4.41E-01	1.18 (-0.93-3.3)	2.76E-01	4.02E-01
PC(O-34:3)	0.043 (-0.012-0.099)	1.27E-01	3.31E-01	0.038 (-0.007-0.082)	1.03E-01	2.98E-01	4.46 (2.01-6.9)	5.88E-04	5.23E-02
PC(O-34:4)	0.044 (-0.012-0.100)	1.29E-01	3.32E-01	0.013 (-0.029-0.055)	5.33E-01	7.89E-01	0.19 (-2.21-2.58)	8.79E-01	9.08E-01
PC(O-35:4)	0.027 (-0.020-0.075)	2.65E-01	5.25E-01	0.046 (0.01-0.082)	1.52E-02	9.42E-02	2.84 (0.78-4.89)	8.22E-03	9.61E-02
PC(O-36:0)	0.048 (0.002-0.094)	4.20E-02	1.77E-01	0.009 (-0.027-0.045)	6.24E-01	8.69E-01	1.18 (-0.85-3.21)	2.58E-01	3.88E-01
PC(O-36:1)	0.091 (0.034-0.148)	2.44E-03	6.04E-02	0.059 (0.018-0.101)	6.59E-03	5.88E-02	1.71 (-0.89-4.31)	2.00E-01	3.55E-01
PC(O-36:2)	0.121 (0.065-0.176)	5.20E-05	1.76E-02	0.036 (-0.009-0.081)	1.23E-01	3.35E-01	0.77 (-1.82-3.36)	5.60E-01	6.46E-01
PC(O-36:3)	0.097 (0.043-0.151)	6.75E-04	5.90E-02	0.047 (0.004-0.089)	3.31E-02	1.44E-01	1.66 (-0.73-4.05)	1.78E-01	3.29E-01
PC(O-36:4)	0.069 (0.027-0.111)	1.74E-03	6.04E-02	0.037 (0.005-0.069)	2.78E-02	1.33E-01	1.33 (-0.51-3.18)	1.60E-01	3.15E-01
PC(O-36:5)	0.025 (-0.034-0.084)	4.15E-01	6.62E-01	-0.027 (-0.072-0.018)	2.44E-01	5.13E-01	1.56 (-1-4.13)	2.35E-01	3.66E-01
PC(O-38:4)	0.056 (0.015-0.098)	9.48E-03	7.69E-02	0.058 (0.03-0.087)	1.08E-04	6.97E-03	1.78 (0.07-3.5)	4.46E-02	1.83E-01
PC(O-38:5)	0.070 (0.015-0.125)	1.46E-02	9.51E-02	0.038 (-0.003-0.079)	7.40E-02	2.61E-01	0.73 (-1.64-3.11)	5.48E-01	6.41E-01
PC(O-40:5)	0.087 (0.040-0.135)	5.24E-04	5.90E-02	0.071 (0.034-0.107)	2.64E-04	8.95E-03	1.36 (-0.87-3.6)	2.35E-01	3.66E-01
PC(O-40:6)	0.091 (0.035-0.148)	2.19E-03	6.04E-02	0.047 (0.002-0.093)	4.47E-02	1.78E-01	4.04 (1.53-6.55)	2.24E-03	5.43E-02
PC(O-40:7)	0.068 (0.018-0.119)	9.26E-03	7.69E-02	0.007 (-0.034-0.049)	7.30E-01	9.05E-01	1.66 (-0.7-4.01)	1.71E-01	3.29E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
PC(P-30:0)	0.083 (0.029-0.138)	3.50E-03	6.30E-02	0.065 (0.023-0.107)	3.00E-03	4.07E-02	1.71 (-0.78-4.2)	1.82E-01	3.32E-01
PC(P-32:0)	0.078 (0.023-0.133)	6.45E-03	6.93E-02	0.07 (0.03-0.11)	9.91E-04	1.99E-02	3.03 (0.68-5.38)	1.34E-02	1.24E-01
PC(P-32:1)	0.056 (0.005-0.107)	3.26E-02	1.57E-01	0.059 (0.023-0.095)	1.84E-03	3.28E-02	3.21 (1.24-5.18)	1.95E-03	5.23E-02
PC(P-34:1)	0.053 (-0.009-0.115)	9.88E-02	2.88E-01	0.065 (0.022-0.109)	4.14E-03	4.52E-02	-0.44 (-3.06-2.17)	7.41E-01	7.95E-01
PC(P-34:2)	0.060 (0.000-0.120)	5.17E-02	1.93E-01	0.034 (-0.009-0.077)	1.29E-01	3.46E-01	-0.21 (-2.7-2.29)	8.72E-01	9.04E-01
PC(P-34:3)	0.073 (0.011-0.136)	2.41E-02	1.36E-01	0.035 (-0.011-0.082)	1.35E-01	3.56E-01	-0.23 (-2.89-2.43)	8.67E-01	9.01E-01
PC(P-36:2)	0.078 (0.020-0.135)	9.98E-03	7.69E-02	0.03 (-0.012-0.072)	1.72E-01	4.10E-01	-0.67 (-3.09-1.76)	5.92E-01	6.78E-01
PC(P-36:4)	0.079 (0.026-0.132)	4.23E-03	6.93E-02	0.056 (0.018-0.093)	5.07E-03	5.06E-02	1.36 (-0.88-3.6)	2.37E-01	3.67E-01
PC(P-36:5)	0.024 (-0.034-0.083)	4.15E-01	6.62E-01	-0.021 (-0.065-0.023)	3.54E-01	6.39E-01	1.57 (-0.93-4.07)	2.22E-01	3.61E-01
PC(P-38:4)	0.065 (0.010-0.119)	2.19E-02	1.28E-01	0.059 (0.022-0.097)	2.61E-03	3.84E-02	1.63 (-0.59-3.86)	1.54E-01	3.06E-01
PC(P-38:5)	0.072 (0.018-0.125)	9.85E-03	7.69E-02	0.022 (-0.02-0.064)	3.05E-01	5.82E-01	1.45 (-0.92-3.81)	2.35E-01	3.66E-01
PC(P-38:6)	0.057 (-0.004-0.118)	7.04E-02	2.42E-01	0.012 (-0.035-0.06)	6.13E-01	8.69E-01	1.7 (-0.98-4.39)	2.18E-01	3.61E-01
PC(P-40:5)	0.075 (0.024-0.126)	5.31E-03	6.93E-02	0.03 (-0.011-0.07)	1.60E-01	3.95E-01	1.66 (-0.67-3.99)	1.67E-01	3.25E-01
PC(P-40:6)	0.074 (0.017-0.131)	1.28E-02	8.82E-02	0.022 (-0.024-0.068)	3.54E-01	6.39E-01	2.73 (0.14-5.32)	4.21E-02	1.78E-01
LPC(14:0)	0.021 (-0.023-0.064)	3.54E-01	6.36E-01	0.015 (-0.019-0.049)	3.86E-01	6.63E-01	1.8 (-0.19-3.78)	7.93E-02	2.16E-01
LPC(15:0)	0.035 (-0.024-0.094)	2.44E-01	4.99E-01	0.004 (-0.045-0.053)	8.76E-01	9.46E-01	3.16 (0.4-5.92)	2.77E-02	1.49E-01
LPC(16:0)	0.018 (-0.034-0.070)	5.05E-01	7.22E-01	0.027 (-0.017-0.071)	2.26E-01	4.90E-01	2.74 (0.32-5.16)	2.93E-02	1.51E-01
LPC(16:1)	-0.006 (-0.055-0.042)	8.03E-01	8.97E-01	0.055 (0.019-0.09)	3.33E-03	4.13E-02	1.75 (-0.4-3.91)	1.15E-01	2.67E-01
LPC(17:0)	0.055 (-0.009-0.119)	9.65E-02	2.88E-01	0.003 (-0.051-0.058)	9.12E-01	9.64E-01	3.48 (0.45-6.51)	2.68E-02	1.49E-01
LPC(17:1)	0.012 (-0.049-0.073)	7.10E-01	8.69E-01	0.02 (-0.03-0.07)	4.27E-01	6.93E-01	2.71 (-0.07-5.5)	5.98E-02	2.04E-01
LPC(18:0)	0.045 (-0.009-0.098)	1.04E-01	2.95E-01	0.003 (-0.04-0.045)	9.00E-01	9.64E-01	2.74 (0.39-5.09)	2.48E-02	1.45E-01
LPC(18:1)	0.018 (-0.034-0.070)	4.96E-01	7.12E-01	0.008 (-0.035-0.051)	7.08E-01	9.02E-01	0.94 (-1.51-3.38)	4.54E-01	5.64E-01
LPC(18:2)	0.028 (-0.023-0.079)	2.87E-01	5.60E-01	-0.001 (-0.041-0.04)	9.70E-01	9.95E-01	0.69 (-1.61-2.98)	5.59E-01	6.46E-01
LPC(18:3)	0.006 (-0.044-0.057)	8.06E-01	8.97E-01	0.006 (-0.033-0.045)	7.80E-01	9.12E-01	2 (-0.18-4.17)	7.56E-02	2.16E-01
LPC(20:0)	0.048 (-0.010-0.105)	1.09E-01	3.04E-01	-0.039 (-0.083-0.005)	8.91E-02	2.79E-01	1.01 (-1.53-3.55)	4.37E-01	5.46E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
LPC(20:1)	0.018 (-0.037-0.073)	5.19E-01	7.24E-01	-0.034 (-0.075-0.006)	1.02E-01	2.98E-01	-0.2 (-2.48-2.08)	8.62E-01	8.99E-01
LPC(20:2)	0.019 (-0.025-0.062)	4.02E-01	6.61E-01	0.019 (-0.014-0.052)	2.60E-01	5.29E-01	0.55 (-1.29-2.4)	5.58E-01	6.46E-01
LPC(20:3)	0.017 (-0.027-0.061)	4.62E-01	6.90E-01	0.03 (-0.004-0.063)	9.11E-02	2.79E-01	0.86 (-1.06-2.78)	3.82E-01	5.02E-01
LPC(20:4)	0.015 (-0.031-0.060)	5.29E-01	7.32E-01	0.031 (-0.004-0.066)	9.05E-02	2.79E-01	0.89 (-1.15-2.92)	3.95E-01	5.13E-01
LPC(20:5)	-0.008 (-0.046-0.031)	6.96E-01	8.55E-01	-0.018 (-0.048-0.013)	2.57E-01	5.28E-01	1.07 (-0.65-2.8)	2.26E-01	3.62E-01
LPC(22:0)	0.056 (0.005-0.107)	3.29E-02	1.57E-01	-0.018 (-0.058-0.022)	3.87E-01	6.63E-01	1.36 (-0.89-3.62)	2.40E-01	3.69E-01
LPC(22:1)	-0.018 (-0.068-0.033)	4.93E-01	7.12E-01	-0.044 (-0.081--0.007)	2.33E-02	1.27E-01	0.68 (-1.43-2.79)	5.28E-01	6.26E-01
LPC(22:5)	0.011 (-0.034-0.055)	6.36E-01	8.23E-01	0.022 (-0.012-0.056)	2.09E-01	4.60E-01	1.97 (0.05-3.9)	4.74E-02	1.89E-01
LPC(22:6)	0.012 (-0.039-0.063)	6.38E-01	8.23E-01	0.007 (-0.034-0.048)	7.48E-01	9.08E-01	1.61 (-0.7-3.91)	1.76E-01	3.29E-01
LPC(24:0)	0.055 (0.003-0.107)	4.30E-02	1.77E-01	-0.019 (-0.06-0.022)	3.60E-01	6.44E-01	0.94 (-1.37-3.25)	4.29E-01	5.41E-01
LPC(26:0)	0.021 (-0.024-0.066)	3.59E-01	6.36E-01	-0.001 (-0.036-0.034)	9.45E-01	9.89E-01	0.66 (-1.39-2.72)	5.30E-01	6.26E-01
LPC(O-16:0)	0.038 (-0.022-0.098)	2.23E-01	4.72E-01	0.019 (-0.029-0.067)	4.38E-01	7.07E-01	2.67 (0.01-5.32)	5.27E-02	2.00E-01
LPC(O-18:0)	0.035 (-0.019-0.090)	2.09E-01	4.51E-01	0.002 (-0.04-0.045)	9.10E-01	9.64E-01	2.31 (-0.07-4.69)	6.03E-02	2.04E-01
LPC(O-18:1)	0.036 (-0.023-0.095)	2.31E-01	4.75E-01	-0.011 (-0.058-0.037)	6.57E-01	8.81E-01	0.58 (-2.12-3.28)	6.76E-01	7.44E-01
LPC(O-20:0)	0.005 (-0.022-0.031)	7.32E-01	8.84E-01	-0.003 (-0.024-0.019)	8.10E-01	9.24E-01	0.22 (-1.03-1.46)	7.33E-01	7.91E-01
LPC(O-20:1)	0.026 (-0.030-0.081)	3.72E-01	6.46E-01	0.001 (-0.044-0.046)	9.72E-01	9.95E-01	1.42 (-1.16-4.01)	2.84E-01	4.02E-01
LPC(O-22:0)	0.048 (-0.009-0.106)	1.05E-01	2.95E-01	0.015 (-0.031-0.061)	5.21E-01	7.85E-01	3.46 (0.96-5.96)	8.04E-03	9.61E-02
LPC(O-22:1)	0.027 (-0.034-0.088)	3.89E-01	6.60E-01	0 (-0.051-0.051)	9.99E-01	9.99E-01	0.28 (-2.62-3.18)	8.51E-01	8.91E-01
LPC(O-24:0)	0.031 (-0.018-0.079)	2.18E-01	4.65E-01	0.029 (-0.009-0.066)	1.39E-01	3.63E-01	2.2 (0.08-4.31)	4.48E-02	1.83E-01
LPC(O-24:1)	0.026 (-0.026-0.079)	3.29E-01	6.18E-01	0.029 (-0.01-0.069)	1.49E-01	3.77E-01	0.7 (-1.57-2.96)	5.49E-01	6.41E-01
LPC(O-24:2)	0.062 (0.008-0.115)	2.61E-02	1.42E-01	0.013 (-0.028-0.054)	5.49E-01	8.09E-01	1.45 (-0.87-3.78)	2.24E-01	3.61E-01
PE(32:0)	-0.026 (-0.072-0.019)	2.64E-01	5.25E-01	0.005 (-0.03-0.04)	7.79E-01	9.12E-01	0.43 (-1.55-2.41)	6.70E-01	7.40E-01
PE(32:1)	-0.045 (-0.105-0.015)	1.46E-01	3.63E-01	0.046 (-0.002-0.094)	6.51E-02	2.37E-01	0.73 (-2.09-3.55)	6.14E-01	6.94E-01
PE(34:1)	-0.032 (-0.085-0.022)	2.52E-01	5.10E-01	0.012 (-0.031-0.055)	5.92E-01	8.51E-01	-0.03 (-2.41-2.35)	9.80E-01	9.89E-01
PE(34:2)	-0.025 (-0.078-0.027)	3.48E-01	6.35E-01	0.013 (-0.028-0.055)	5.27E-01	7.87E-01	-0.11 (-2.46-2.25)	9.28E-01	9.44E-01

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PE(34:3)	-0.015 (-0.065-0.034)	5.47E-01	7.48E-01	0.017 (-0.023-0.056)	4.05E-01	6.80E-01	0.84 (-1.59-3.27)	5.01E-01	6.00E-01
PE(35:1)	0.004 (-0.050-0.058)	8.83E-01	9.35E-01	0 (-0.044-0.043)	9.88E-01	9.97E-01	0.78 (-1.69-3.26)	5.37E-01	6.32E-01
PE(35:2)	0.008 (-0.057-0.073)	8.07E-01	8.97E-01	0.011 (-0.04-0.062)	6.65E-01	8.81E-01	0.81 (-2.18-3.81)	5.97E-01	6.79E-01
PE(36:0)	0.007 (-0.039-0.052)	7.80E-01	8.97E-01	0.016 (-0.02-0.051)	3.81E-01	6.63E-01	2.19 (0.21-4.16)	3.31E-02	1.61E-01
PE(36:1)	-0.004 (-0.062-0.054)	8.93E-01	9.35E-01	-0.009 (-0.055-0.038)	7.13E-01	9.02E-01	0.38 (-2.19-2.95)	7.75E-01	8.21E-01
PE(36:2)	-0.008 (-0.068-0.052)	8.02E-01	8.97E-01	0.01 (-0.036-0.057)	6.62E-01	8.81E-01	0.38 (-2.21-2.97)	7.75E-01	8.21E-01
PE(36:3)	-0.006 (-0.060-0.049)	8.39E-01	9.13E-01	0.003 (-0.039-0.045)	9.05E-01	9.64E-01	-0.47 (-2.86-1.93)	7.03E-01	7.67E-01
PE(36:4)	-0.022 (-0.073-0.030)	4.15E-01	6.62E-01	0.037 (-0.004-0.078)	7.97E-02	2.66E-01	-0.58 (-2.98-1.81)	6.33E-01	7.10E-01
PE(36:5)	-0.044 (-0.091-0.004)	7.69E-02	2.48E-01	-0.007 (-0.044-0.031)	7.31E-01	9.05E-01	-0.14 (-2.32-2.05)	9.01E-01	9.26E-01
PE(38:3)	0.003 (-0.046-0.052)	9.06E-01	9.39E-01	0.02 (-0.018-0.059)	3.06E-01	5.82E-01	0.46 (-1.75-2.66)	6.85E-01	7.49E-01
PE(38:4)	-0.006 (-0.058-0.045)	8.10E-01	8.97E-01	0.042 (0.002-0.083)	4.47E-02	1.78E-01	0.3 (-2.06-2.66)	8.02E-01	8.45E-01
PE(38:5)	-0.022 (-0.076-0.033)	4.41E-01	6.77E-01	0.018 (-0.025-0.062)	4.12E-01	6.85E-01	-0.02 (-2.6-2.55)	9.86E-01	9.89E-01
PE(38:6)	-0.018 (-0.071-0.036)	5.15E-01	7.24E-01	0.019 (-0.023-0.061)	3.82E-01	6.63E-01	0.24 (-2.15-2.63)	8.43E-01	8.85E-01
PE(40:4)	-0.002 (-0.047-0.043)	9.31E-01	9.57E-01	0.036 (-0.001-0.072)	5.79E-02	2.16E-01	0.37 (-1.67-2.41)	7.22E-01	7.85E-01
PE(40:5)	-0.007 (-0.058-0.044)	7.95E-01	8.97E-01	0.03 (-0.011-0.07)	1.52E-01	3.82E-01	0.29 (-2.01-2.6)	8.03E-01	8.45E-01
PE(40:6)	-0.018 (-0.080-0.044)	5.71E-01	7.63E-01	0.017 (-0.031-0.066)	4.82E-01	7.50E-01	1.67 (-1.07-4.41)	2.35E-01	3.66E-01
PE(40:7)	-0.009 (-0.065-0.046)	7.43E-01	8.85E-01	0.007 (-0.037-0.05)	7.60E-01	9.08E-01	-0.44 (-2.93-2.06)	7.33E-01	7.91E-01
PE(O-34:1)	0.049 (0.001-0.097)	4.80E-02	1.83E-01	-0.005 (-0.042-0.032)	7.93E-01	9.14E-01	1.54 (-0.54-3.61)	1.51E-01	3.05E-01
PE(O-34:2)	0.050 (-0.004-0.104)	7.22E-02	2.42E-01	-0.001 (-0.043-0.04)	9.48E-01	9.89E-01	1.38 (-0.97-3.74)	2.53E-01	3.82E-01
PE(O-36:2)	0.060 (0.004-0.116)	3.87E-02	1.70E-01	-0.004 (-0.047-0.039)	8.59E-01	9.44E-01	1.46 (-0.97-3.89)	2.41E-01	3.69E-01
PE(O-36:3)	0.041 (-0.010-0.092)	1.16E-01	3.16E-01	0.001 (-0.04-0.041)	9.73E-01	9.95E-01	1.5 (-0.87-3.87)	2.17E-01	3.61E-01
PE(O-36:4)	0.045 (-0.008-0.097)	1.00E-01	2.88E-01	-0.004 (-0.045-0.036)	8.33E-01	9.32E-01	1.54 (-0.72-3.8)	1.86E-01	3.37E-01
PE(O-36:5)	0.006 (-0.038-0.049)	8.05E-01	8.97E-01	-0.024 (-0.056-0.008)	1.41E-01	3.64E-01	1.16 (-0.71-3.03)	2.26E-01	3.62E-01
PE(O-36:6)	0.039 (-0.016-0.095)	1.68E-01	3.94E-01	-0.039 (-0.081-0.003)	7.54E-02	2.61E-01	2.38 (-0.02-4.78)	5.55E-02	2.00E-01
PE(O-38:4)	0.042 (-0.002-0.086)	6.57E-02	2.30E-01	0.009 (-0.026-0.044)	6.18E-01	8.69E-01	1.79 (-0.19-3.76)	7.96E-02	2.16E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
PE(O-38:5)	0.045 (-0.008-0.097)	9.77E-02	2.88E-01	-0.007 (-0.047-0.033)	7.34E-01	9.05E-01	1.44 (-0.84-3.73)	2.18E-01	3.61E-01
PE(O-40:5)	0.059 (0.002-0.117)	4.65E-02	1.81E-01	0.008 (-0.035-0.051)	7.12E-01	9.02E-01	2.41 (-0.01-4.82)	5.40E-02	2.00E-01
PE(O-40:6)	0.020 (-0.034-0.073)	4.75E-01	6.99E-01	0 (-0.043-0.043)	9.85E-01	9.97E-01	1.13 (-1.32-3.58)	3.70E-01	4.90E-01
PE(O-40:7)	0.039 (-0.013-0.091)	1.48E-01	3.65E-01	-0.019 (-0.058-0.021)	3.61E-01	6.44E-01	0.57 (-1.62-2.75)	6.12E-01	6.94E-01
PE(P-34:1)	0.087 (0.038-0.136)	7.55E-04	5.90E-02	0.023 (-0.016-0.061)	2.56E-01	5.28E-01	1.1 (-1.14-3.34)	3.38E-01	4.62E-01
PE(P-34:2)	0.054 (0.005-0.104)	3.46E-02	1.59E-01	0.009 (-0.028-0.047)	6.21E-01	8.69E-01	1.38 (-0.77-3.54)	2.11E-01	3.61E-01
PE(P-36:1)	0.048 (-0.003-0.100)	7.10E-02	2.42E-01	0.015 (-0.025-0.054)	4.66E-01	7.34E-01	2.06 (-0.18-4.31)	7.56E-02	2.16E-01
PE(P-36:2)	0.073 (0.017-0.130)	1.24E-02	8.75E-02	0.019 (-0.024-0.061)	3.87E-01	6.63E-01	1.88 (-0.48-4.23)	1.22E-01	2.73E-01
PE(P-36:4)	0.041 (-0.012-0.095)	1.35E-01	3.43E-01	0.012 (-0.031-0.056)	5.73E-01	8.33E-01	1.96 (-0.46-4.39)	1.17E-01	2.67E-01
PE(P-38:4)	0.056 (0.002-0.111)	4.69E-02	1.81E-01	0.026 (-0.014-0.067)	2.04E-01	4.57E-01	1.93 (-0.35-4.22)	1.01E-01	2.51E-01
PE(P-38:5)	0.036 (-0.019-0.092)	2.04E-01	4.44E-01	-0.004 (-0.046-0.039)	8.65E-01	9.44E-01	2.14 (-0.23-4.52)	8.02E-02	2.16E-01
PE(P-38:6)	0.029 (-0.022-0.079)	2.73E-01	5.35E-01	0.002 (-0.037-0.041)	9.22E-01	9.71E-01	2.02 (-0.16-4.19)	7.26E-02	2.16E-01
PE(P-40:4)	0.030 (-0.017-0.077)	2.14E-01	4.59E-01	0.015 (-0.021-0.051)	4.23E-01	6.93E-01	0.86 (-1.19-2.91)	4.12E-01	5.26E-01
PE(P-40:5)	0.044 (-0.007-0.096)	9.72E-02	2.88E-01	0.006 (-0.032-0.045)	7.55E-01	9.08E-01	2.38 (0.24-4.51)	3.19E-02	1.61E-01
PE(P-40:6)	0.024 (-0.038-0.086)	4.55E-01	6.86E-01	0.01 (-0.037-0.057)	6.77E-01	8.83E-01	3.24 (0.63-5.85)	1.71E-02	1.27E-01
LPE(16:0)	-0.006 (-0.057-0.045)	8.26E-01	9.12E-01	0.015 (-0.025-0.054)	4.68E-01	7.34E-01	1.53 (-0.9-3.95)	2.21E-01	3.61E-01
LPE(18:0)	0.022 (-0.030-0.075)	4.06E-01	6.62E-01	0.017 (-0.023-0.058)	4.05E-01	6.80E-01	1.69 (-0.55-3.93)	1.43E-01	3.00E-01
LPE(18:1)	0.012 (-0.045-0.070)	6.76E-01	8.37E-01	0.007 (-0.039-0.052)	7.70E-01	9.12E-01	0.38 (-2.21-2.96)	7.74E-01	8.21E-01
LPE(18:2)	0.017 (-0.042-0.076)	5.68E-01	7.61E-01	0.028 (-0.018-0.074)	2.39E-01	5.07E-01	0.77 (-1.88-3.42)	5.71E-01	6.56E-01
LPE(20:4)	0.013 (-0.040-0.066)	6.38E-01	8.23E-01	0.067 (0.029-0.106)	9.98E-04	1.99E-02	1.08 (-1.26-3.42)	3.69E-01	4.90E-01
LPE(22:6)	0.030 (-0.029-0.089)	3.28E-01	6.18E-01	0.05 (0.004-0.096)	3.66E-02	1.55E-01	2.81 (0.24-5.39)	3.53E-02	1.66E-01
PI(32:0)	-0.005 (-0.071-0.062)	8.93E-01	9.35E-01	0.034 (-0.017-0.084)	2.00E-01	4.55E-01	2.22 (-0.69-5.13)	1.38E-01	2.96E-01
PI(32:1)	-0.007 (-0.073-0.059)	8.33E-01	9.13E-01	0.066 (0.018-0.115)	9.03E-03	7.12E-02	1.97 (-0.89-4.84)	1.80E-01	3.30E-01
PI(34:0)	-0.029 (-0.079-0.020)	2.53E-01	5.10E-01	-0.016 (-0.054-0.023)	4.26E-01	6.93E-01	-0.77 (-2.95-1.41)	4.91E-01	5.90E-01
PI(34:1)	0.012 (-0.042-0.066)	6.70E-01	8.37E-01	0.038 (-0.003-0.078)	7.01E-02	2.50E-01	1.65 (-0.69-4)	1.70E-01	3.29E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^d
PI(36:1)	0.029 (-0.018-0.077)	2.27E-01	4.75E-01	0.005 (-0.032-0.042)	7.83E-01	9.12E-01	1.28 (-0.86-3.42)	2.43E-01	3.70E-01
PI(36:2)	0.053 (0.003-0.102)	3.87E-02	1.70E-01	0.035 (-0.004-0.073)	8.48E-02	2.74E-01	2.74 (0.56-4.93)	1.60E-02	1.26E-01
PI(36:3)	0.038 (-0.017-0.092)	1.78E-01	4.02E-01	0.043 (0-0.085)	5.37E-02	2.05E-01	2.64 (0.18-5.09)	3.83E-02	1.73E-01
PI(36:4)	0.026 (-0.038-0.090)	4.33E-01	6.73E-01	0.059 (0.01-0.107)	1.94E-02	1.13E-01	3.23 (0.61-5.85)	1.77E-02	1.27E-01
PI(38:2)	0.019 (-0.029-0.067)	4.44E-01	6.77E-01	0.047 (0.011-0.083)	1.17E-02	8.42E-02	1.55 (-0.56-3.66)	1.53E-01	3.05E-01
PI(38:3)	0.026 (-0.027-0.079)	3.32E-01	6.18E-01	0.046 (0.007-0.085)	2.38E-02	1.27E-01	2.23 (-0.01-4.48)	5.47E-02	2.00E-01
PI(38:4)	0.023 (-0.026-0.073)	3.62E-01	6.40E-01	0.066 (0.03-0.102)	5.49E-04	1.69E-02	2.84 (0.73-4.95)	9.90E-03	1.02E-01
PI(38:5)	0.048 (-0.006-0.102)	8.29E-02	2.63E-01	0.035 (-0.008-0.079)	1.17E-01	3.23E-01	2.59 (0.18-5)	3.81E-02	1.73E-01
PI(38:6)	0.009 (-0.043-0.061)	7.30E-01	8.84E-01	0.008 (-0.033-0.048)	7.13E-01	9.02E-01	2.19 (-0.1-4.49)	6.47E-02	2.11E-01
PI(40:4)	0.001 (-0.048-0.049)	9.75E-01	9.89E-01	0.058 (0.02-0.096)	3.25E-03	4.13E-02	1.8 (-0.41-4)	1.14E-01	2.66E-01
PI(40:5)	0.009 (-0.056-0.075)	7.81E-01	8.97E-01	0.051 (0.003-0.1)	4.13E-02	1.71E-01	3.84 (1.02-6.67)	9.13E-03	9.99E-02
PI(40:6)	0.000 (-0.053-0.052)	9.95E-01	9.96E-01	0.018 (-0.022-0.058)	3.72E-01	6.60E-01	2.1 (-0.26-4.45)	8.43E-02	2.25E-01
LPI(18:0)	0.016 (-0.032-0.064)	5.12E-01	7.24E-01	0.013 (-0.023-0.049)	4.73E-01	7.39E-01	1.94 (-0.08-3.96)	6.36E-02	2.09E-01
LPI(18:1)	0.057 (0.003-0.112)	4.23E-02	1.77E-01	-0.001 (-0.044-0.043)	9.77E-01	9.95E-01	1.33 (-1.18-3.85)	3.02E-01	4.22E-01
LPI(18:2)	0.077 (0.024-0.131)	6.04E-03	6.93E-02	0.04 (-0.004-0.084)	8.08E-02	2.66E-01	2.49 (-0.04-5.02)	5.74E-02	2.01E-01
LPI(20:4)	0.028 (-0.023-0.079)	2.89E-01	5.60E-01	0.052 (0.013-0.09)	9.50E-03	7.32E-02	2.5 (0.29-4.71)	2.95E-02	1.51E-01
PG(34:1)	0.003 (-0.056-0.062)	9.11E-01	9.41E-01	0.004 (-0.042-0.05)	8.58E-01	9.44E-01	0.43 (-2.1-2.97)	7.38E-01	7.94E-01
PG(36:1)	-0.003 (-0.052-0.046)	9.04E-01	9.39E-01	0.022 (-0.017-0.06)	2.78E-01	5.62E-01	0.85 (-1.38-3.07)	4.58E-01	5.65E-01
PG(36:2)	0.000 (-0.049-0.049)	9.91E-01	9.96E-01	0.007 (-0.03-0.045)	7.08E-01	9.02E-01	0.13 (-1.97-2.23)	9.06E-01	9.28E-01
Cholesterol	0.078 (0.030-0.127)	2.11E-03	6.04E-02	0.047 (0.008-0.085)	2.06E-02	1.18E-01	2.36 (0.14-4.57)	4.03E-02	1.74E-01
CE(14:0)	-0.008 (-0.058-0.043)	7.70E-01	8.95E-01	0.02 (-0.019-0.06)	3.17E-01	5.88E-01	1.82 (-0.45-4.1)	1.20E-01	2.70E-01
CE(15:0)	0.022 (-0.028-0.071)	3.94E-01	6.61E-01	0.022 (-0.016-0.061)	2.60E-01	5.29E-01	1.48 (-0.76-3.73)	1.99E-01	3.55E-01
CE(16:0)	0.020 (-0.026-0.067)	3.99E-01	6.61E-01	0.014 (-0.023-0.051)	4.66E-01	7.34E-01	1.38 (-0.69-3.44)	1.94E-01	3.50E-01
CE(16:1)	-0.014 (-0.068-0.041)	6.19E-01	8.11E-01	0.06 (0.019-0.101)	4.87E-03	5.00E-02	1.34 (-1.08-3.76)	2.80E-01	4.02E-01
CE(16:2)	0.019 (-0.035-0.073)	4.94E-01	7.12E-01	0.03 (-0.01-0.071)	1.48E-01	3.77E-01	2.88 (0.54-5.22)	1.80E-02	1.27E-01

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	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
CE(17:0)	0.037 (-0.012-0.086)	1.39E-01	3.51E-01	0.013 (-0.026-0.051)	5.13E-01	7.80E-01	1.38 (-0.8-3.56)	2.18E-01	3.61E-01
CE(17:1)	0.000 (-0.061-0.061)	9.96E-01	9.96E-01	0.047 (0.001-0.094)	4.82E-02	1.88E-01	0.95 (-1.72-3.61)	4.89E-01	5.90E-01
CE(18:0)	0.056 (-0.001-0.113)	5.96E-02	2.15E-01	0.017 (-0.027-0.061)	4.58E-01	7.34E-01	3.45 (1.05-5.85)	6.00E-03	8.54E-02
CE(18:1)	0.020 (-0.035-0.075)	4.73E-01	6.99E-01	0.031 (-0.012-0.075)	1.61E-01	3.96E-01	0.62 (-1.94-3.19)	6.36E-01	7.10E-01
CE(18:2)	0.024 (-0.032-0.080)	3.98E-01	6.61E-01	0.023 (-0.021-0.068)	3.07E-01	5.82E-01	1.38 (-1.24-4.01)	3.03E-01	4.22E-01
CE(18:3)	0.026 (-0.028-0.079)	3.56E-01	6.36E-01	0.039 (-0.002-0.081)	6.61E-02	2.38E-01	2.24 (-0.13-4.61)	6.78E-02	2.16E-01
CE(20:1)	0.005 (-0.053-0.062)	8.73E-01	9.35E-01	0 (-0.046-0.045)	9.89E-01	9.97E-01	1.46 (-1.19-4.11)	2.83E-01	4.02E-01
CE(20:2)	0.055 (0.000-0.109)	5.23E-02	1.93E-01	0.036 (-0.007-0.078)	1.07E-01	3.05E-01	1.61 (-0.9-4.13)	2.12E-01	3.61E-01
CE(20:3)	0.020 (-0.039-0.079)	5.13E-01	7.24E-01	0.052 (0.006-0.097)	2.76E-02	1.33E-01	1.57 (-1.14-4.27)	2.59E-01	3.88E-01
CE(20:4)	0.024 (-0.030-0.078)	3.89E-01	6.60E-01	0.047 (0.005-0.09)	3.08E-02	1.41E-01	2.24 (-0.31-4.78)	8.90E-02	2.34E-01
CE(20:5)	0.015 (-0.041-0.072)	5.97E-01	7.85E-01	0.002 (-0.042-0.046)	9.29E-01	9.75E-01	2.88 (0.47-5.28)	2.15E-02	1.38E-01
CE(22:0)	0.008 (-0.046-0.063)	7.64E-01	8.95E-01	0.012 (-0.031-0.055)	5.87E-01	8.47E-01	1.52 (-0.93-3.97)	2.28E-01	3.62E-01
CE(22:1)	-0.006 (-0.068-0.055)	8.38E-01	9.13E-01	-0.004 (-0.05-0.042)	8.63E-01	9.44E-01	1.14 (-1.55-3.83)	4.08E-01	5.24E-01
CE(22:4)	0.023 (-0.033-0.079)	4.25E-01	6.67E-01	0.061 (0.018-0.104)	6.99E-03	6.07E-02	0.67 (-1.93-3.27)	6.16E-01	6.94E-01
CE(22:5)	0.025 (-0.031-0.082)	3.82E-01	6.58E-01	0.038 (-0.006-0.082)	9.14E-02	2.79E-01	2.59 (0.09-5.09)	4.52E-02	1.83E-01
CE(22:6)	0.033 (-0.030-0.096)	3.06E-01	5.86E-01	0.02 (-0.028-0.068)	4.10E-01	6.85E-01	2.72 (-0.06-5.51)	5.87E-02	2.03E-01
CE(24:0)	0.012 (-0.047-0.070)	6.96E-01	8.55E-01	0.019 (-0.026-0.064)	4.04E-01	6.80E-01	1.49 (-1.14-4.12)	2.71E-01	4.02E-01
CE(24:1)	0.020 (-0.044-0.083)	5.42E-01	7.44E-01	0.011 (-0.037-0.06)	6.50E-01	8.81E-01	1.28 (-1.47-4.03)	3.65E-01	4.87E-01
CE(24:4)	0.020 (-0.030-0.070)	4.37E-01	6.77E-01	0.039 (-0.001-0.079)	5.74E-02	2.16E-01	1.21 (-1.1-3.52)	3.06E-01	4.24E-01
CE(24:5)	0.022 (-0.023-0.067)	3.35E-01	6.20E-01	0.006 (-0.029-0.041)	7.31E-01	9.05E-01	0.88 (-1.16-2.92)	4.01E-01	5.19E-01
CE(24:6)	0.022 (-0.038-0.082)	4.78E-01	6.99E-01	0.035 (-0.012-0.081)	1.47E-01	3.77E-01	2.86 (0.16-5.56)	4.06E-02	1.74E-01
DG(14:0_16:0)	-0.015 (-0.067-0.037)	5.79E-01	7.68E-01	-0.001 (-0.043-0.04)	9.54E-01	9.89E-01	1 (-1.33-3.34)	4.03E-01	5.19E-01
DG(14:0_18:1)	0.005 (-0.056-0.065)	8.79E-01	9.35E-01	0.007 (-0.039-0.054)	7.56E-01	9.08E-01	2.26 (-0.32-4.84)	9.00E-02	2.35E-01
DG(14:0_18:2)	0.019 (-0.043-0.081)	5.50E-01	7.49E-01	0.005 (-0.041-0.052)	8.24E-01	9.30E-01	2.08 (-0.51-4.68)	1.20E-01	2.70E-01
DG(16:0_16:0)	-0.019 (-0.064-0.027)	4.21E-01	6.66E-01	0.01 (-0.027-0.047)	6.09E-01	8.69E-01	1.27 (-0.73-3.27)	2.17E-01	3.61E-01

Lipid species ^a	Log-Norepinephrine			Non-esterified fatty acids			Heart Rate		
	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
DG(16:0_18:0)	-0.003 (-0.037-0.031)	8.51E-01	9.21E-01	0 (-0.027-0.027)	9.99E-01	9.99E-01	-0.24 (-1.71-1.23)	7.50E-01	8.02E-01
DG(16:0_18:1)	-0.002 (-0.055-0.052)	9.53E-01	9.73E-01	0.021 (-0.02-0.063)	3.11E-01	5.82E-01	2.08 (-0.27-4.42)	8.67E-02	2.30E-01
DG(16:0_18:2)	0.015 (-0.050-0.080)	6.52E-01	8.30E-01	0.016 (-0.033-0.065)	5.31E-01	7.89E-01	2.73 (-0.05-5.51)	5.77E-02	2.01E-01
DG(16:0_20:0)	0.033 (-0.007-0.072)	1.10E-01	3.04E-01	0.003 (-0.028-0.033)	8.56E-01	9.44E-01	0.02 (-1.72-1.75)	9.85E-01	9.89E-01
DG(16:0_20:3)	-0.004 (-0.063-0.055)	9.02E-01	9.39E-01	0.053 (0.008-0.098)	2.48E-02	1.27E-01	1.85 (-0.8-4.5)	1.75E-01	3.29E-01
DG(16:0_20:4)	-0.006 (-0.062-0.050)	8.41E-01	9.13E-01	0.029 (-0.015-0.072)	2.03E-01	4.57E-01	1.5 (-1-4.01)	2.41E-01	3.69E-01
DG(16:0_22:5)	-0.016 (-0.078-0.047)	6.26E-01	8.16E-01	0.016 (-0.031-0.064)	5.05E-01	7.70E-01	2.2 (-0.46-4.87)	1.09E-01	2.64E-01
DG(16:0_22:6)	-0.003 (-0.062-0.056)	9.20E-01	9.48E-01	0.004 (-0.041-0.049)	8.69E-01	9.44E-01	1.33 (-1.24-3.9)	3.15E-01	4.32E-01
DG(16:1_18:0)	-0.019 (-0.065-0.027)	4.16E-01	6.62E-01	0.027 (-0.011-0.065)	1.68E-01	4.04E-01	1.51 (-0.66-3.67)	1.76E-01	3.29E-01
DG(16:1_18:1)	-0.004 (-0.055-0.048)	8.92E-01	9.35E-01	0.043 (0.002-0.084)	4.43E-02	1.78E-01	1.76 (-0.61-4.13)	1.49E-01	3.05E-01
DG(18:0_18:0)	0.006 (-0.034-0.047)	7.67E-01	8.95E-01	0.004 (-0.028-0.035)	8.10E-01	9.24E-01	-0.65 (-2.38-1.08)	4.65E-01	5.70E-01
DG(18:0_18:1)	-0.002 (-0.053-0.050)	9.46E-01	9.68E-01	0.009 (-0.032-0.049)	6.77E-01	8.83E-01	1.49 (-0.78-3.76)	2.01E-01	3.55E-01
DG(18:0_18:2)	0.013 (-0.042-0.067)	6.48E-01	8.29E-01	0.004 (-0.039-0.046)	8.67E-01	9.44E-01	1.8 (-0.63-4.23)	1.49E-01	3.05E-01
DG(18:0_20:4)	0.023 (-0.033-0.079)	4.23E-01	6.67E-01	0.01 (-0.033-0.053)	6.49E-01	8.81E-01	0.96 (-1.49-3.42)	4.45E-01	5.54E-01
DG(18:1_18:1)	0.010 (-0.047-0.068)	7.33E-01	8.84E-01	0.024 (-0.02-0.068)	2.83E-01	5.63E-01	1.6 (-0.91-4.11)	2.14E-01	3.61E-01
DG(18:1_18:2)	0.030 (-0.034-0.093)	3.58E-01	6.36E-01	0.023 (-0.024-0.069)	3.41E-01	6.22E-01	1.95 (-0.69-4.58)	1.51E-01	3.05E-01
DG(18:1_18:3)	0.032 (-0.027-0.092)	2.92E-01	5.63E-01	0.012 (-0.035-0.058)	6.25E-01	8.69E-01	2.11 (-0.5-4.73)	1.16E-01	2.67E-01
DG(18:1_20:0)	0.026 (-0.011-0.064)	1.73E-01	4.02E-01	-0.003 (-0.032-0.027)	8.59E-01	9.44E-01	-0.07 (-1.68-1.54)	9.31E-01	9.45E-01
DG(18:1_20:3)	0.014 (-0.033-0.060)	5.61E-01	7.55E-01	0.037 (0.001-0.072)	4.80E-02	1.88E-01	0.79 (-1.28-2.86)	4.57E-01	5.65E-01
DG(18:1_20:4)	0.035 (-0.012-0.081)	1.49E-01	3.65E-01	0.028 (-0.008-0.065)	1.28E-01	3.46E-01	1.31 (-0.71-3.34)	2.08E-01	3.61E-01
DG(18:2_18:2)	0.044 (-0.016-0.103)	1.55E-01	3.71E-01	0.024 (-0.02-0.068)	2.90E-01	5.72E-01	1.92 (-0.69-4.53)	1.53E-01	3.05E-01
TG(14:0_16:0_18:1)	-0.011 (-0.073-0.052)	7.42E-01	8.85E-01	-0.01 (-0.059-0.038)	6.82E-01	8.83E-01	1.46 (-1.28-4.21)	2.99E-01	4.19E-01
TG(14:0_16:0_18:2)	-0.017 (-0.074-0.040)	5.61E-01	7.55E-01	0.017 (-0.028-0.061)	4.60E-01	7.34E-01	1.96 (-0.55-4.46)	1.29E-01	2.82E-01
TG(14:0_16:1_18:1)	0.007 (-0.038-0.051)	7.71E-01	8.95E-01	-0.003 (-0.038-0.031)	8.59E-01	9.44E-01	1.29 (-0.7-3.27)	2.08E-01	3.61E-01
TG(14:0_16:1_18:2)	0.020 (-0.031-0.071)	4.50E-01	6.81E-01	-0.006 (-0.044-0.033)	7.73E-01	9.12E-01	1.7 (-0.37-3.77)	1.12E-01	2.65E-01

Lipid species ^a	Log-Norepinephrine			Non-esterified fatty acids			Heart Rate		
	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	<i>corrected p</i> -value ^d
TG(14:0_17:0_18:1)	-0.008 (-0.063-0.048)	7.87E-01	8.97E-01	-0.009 (-0.051-0.032)	6.62E-01	8.81E-01	1.8 (-0.61-4.22)	1.46E-01	3.05E-01
TG(14:0_18:0_18:1)	-0.022 (-0.082-0.038)	4.79E-01	6.99E-01	-0.021 (-0.067-0.026)	3.87E-01	6.63E-01	1.02 (-1.48-3.52)	4.27E-01	5.40E-01
TG(14:0_18:2_18:2)	0.023 (-0.033-0.080)	4.16E-01	6.62E-01	-0.018 (-0.059-0.023)	3.94E-01	6.72E-01	2.24 (-0.08-4.55)	6.17E-02	2.05E-01
TG(14:1_16:0_18:1)	-0.009 (-0.066-0.047)	7.48E-01	8.85E-01	0.01 (-0.034-0.054)	6.65E-01	8.81E-01	1.65 (-0.9-4.2)	2.07E-01	3.61E-01
TG(14:1_16:1_18:0)	-0.023 (-0.076-0.031)	4.07E-01	6.62E-01	0.036 (-0.004-0.077)	8.37E-02	2.73E-01	2.09 (-0.33-4.5)	9.43E-02	2.44E-01
TG(14:1_18:0_18:2)	0.019 (-0.023-0.061)	3.75E-01	6.48E-01	0.01 (-0.024-0.043)	5.73E-01	8.33E-01	1.74 (-0.19-3.66)	8.03E-02	2.16E-01
TG(14:1_18:1_18:1)	0.006 (-0.040-0.052)	7.92E-01	8.97E-01	0.01 (-0.025-0.045)	5.76E-01	8.34E-01	1.68 (-0.3-3.67)	1.01E-01	2.51E-01
TG(15:0_16:0_18:1)	0.001 (-0.057-0.059)	9.80E-01	9.92E-01	0.007 (-0.037-0.051)	7.53E-01	9.08E-01	2.27 (-0.24-4.79)	7.97E-02	2.16E-01
TG(15:0_18:1_18:1)	0.021 (-0.026-0.068)	3.87E-01	6.60E-01	-0.008 (-0.043-0.027)	6.47E-01	8.81E-01	1.42 (-0.61-3.45)	1.74E-01	3.29E-01
TG(16:0_16:0_16:0)	-0.044 (-0.109-0.021)	1.84E-01	4.10E-01	0.013 (-0.039-0.066)	6.23E-01	8.69E-01	1.67 (-1.33-4.67)	2.78E-01	4.02E-01
TG(16:0_16:0_18:0)	-0.029 (-0.088-0.029)	3.31E-01	6.18E-01	0.008 (-0.041-0.057)	7.48E-01	9.08E-01	1.69 (-1-4.39)	2.22E-01	3.61E-01
TG(16:0_16:0_18:1)	-0.022 (-0.087-0.044)	5.17E-01	7.24E-01	0.01 (-0.042-0.061)	7.15E-01	9.02E-01	1.18 (-1.69-4.05)	4.21E-01	5.35E-01
TG(16:0_16:0_18:2)	-0.017 (-0.078-0.043)	5.80E-01	7.68E-01	0.011 (-0.036-0.057)	6.50E-01	8.81E-01	2.24 (-0.41-4.9)	1.01E-01	2.51E-01
TG(16:0_16:1_17:0)	-0.018 (-0.075-0.039)	5.37E-01	7.40E-01	0.005 (-0.039-0.049)	8.22E-01	9.30E-01	2.07 (-0.47-4.6)	1.14E-01	2.66E-01
TG(16:0_16:1_18:1)	0.000 (-0.050-0.049)	9.89E-01	9.96E-01	0.013 (-0.025-0.051)	4.96E-01	7.64E-01	0.81 (-1.44-3.07)	4.82E-01	5.86E-01
TG(16:0_17:0_18:0)	-0.008 (-0.067-0.052)	8.05E-01	8.97E-01	0.009 (-0.039-0.056)	7.22E-01	9.05E-01	2.46 (-0.22-5.14)	7.59E-02	2.16E-01
TG(16:0_17:0_18:1)	-0.009 (-0.064-0.047)	7.61E-01	8.95E-01	0.003 (-0.041-0.046)	9.03E-01	9.64E-01	2.18 (-0.38-4.74)	9.85E-02	2.50E-01
TG(16:0_17:0_18:2)	-0.004 (-0.060-0.052)	8.87E-01	9.35E-01	0.022 (-0.02-0.064)	3.00E-01	5.82E-01	2.7 (0.22-5.19)	3.58E-02	1.66E-01
TG(16:0_18:0_18:1)	-0.019 (-0.081-0.044)	5.60E-01	7.55E-01	0.012 (-0.042-0.065)	6.73E-01	8.83E-01	1.33 (-1.72-4.38)	3.95E-01	5.13E-01
TG(16:0_18:1_18:1)	0.007 (-0.035-0.049)	7.41E-01	8.85E-01	-0.002 (-0.036-0.032)	9.12E-01	9.64E-01	-0.03 (-2-1.93)	9.75E-01	9.87E-01
TG(16:0_18:1_18:2)	0.023 (-0.026-0.071)	3.65E-01	6.40E-01	0.001 (-0.036-0.038)	9.71E-01	9.95E-01	0.76 (-1.34-2.87)	4.79E-01	5.84E-01
TG(16:0_18:2_18:2)	0.028 (-0.038-0.094)	4.01E-01	6.61E-01	0.011 (-0.038-0.06)	6.72E-01	8.83E-01	2.16 (-0.38-4.69)	9.89E-02	2.50E-01
TG(16:1_16:1_16:1)	-0.003 (-0.045-0.038)	8.80E-01	9.35E-01	0.022 (-0.009-0.053)	1.75E-01	4.14E-01	1.81 (0-3.61)	5.32E-02	2.00E-01
TG(16:1_16:1_18:0)	-0.013 (-0.069-0.044)	6.59E-01	8.32E-01	-0.006 (-0.05-0.038)	7.93E-01	9.14E-01	1.54 (-0.95-4.03)	2.28E-01	3.62E-01
TG(16:1_16:1_18:1)	-0.003 (-0.051-0.044)	8.94E-01	9.35E-01	0.032 (-0.005-0.069)	9.57E-02	2.85E-01	1.44 (-0.73-3.62)	1.97E-01	3.54E-01

Lipid species ^a	Log-Norepinephrine			Non-esterified fatty acids			Heart Rate		
	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^d	β -Coefficient (95%CI) ^b	<i>p</i> -value ^c	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^d
TG(16:1_17:0_18:1)	0.011 (-0.030-0.053)	5.97E-01	7.85E-01	0.004 (-0.028-0.035)	8.17E-01	9.30E-01	1.93 (0.07-3.79)	4.49E-02	1.83E-01
TG(16:1_18:1_18:1)	-0.008 (-0.057-0.041)	7.49E-01	8.85E-01	0.023 (-0.014-0.061)	2.19E-01	4.80E-01	1.74 (-0.54-4.03)	1.39E-01	2.96E-01
TG(16:1_18:1_18:2)	0.012 (-0.042-0.065)	6.73E-01	8.37E-01	0.015 (-0.025-0.055)	4.62E-01	7.34E-01	2.49 (0.23-4.75)	3.33E-02	1.61E-01
TG(17:0_18:1_18:1)	0.022 (-0.028-0.071)	3.96E-01	6.61E-01	-0.001 (-0.04-0.037)	9.51E-01	9.89E-01	1.67 (-0.53-3.87)	1.41E-01	2.99E-01
TG(18:0_18:0_18:0)	0.012 (-0.042-0.065)	6.66E-01	8.37E-01	0.009 (-0.032-0.051)	6.56E-01	8.81E-01	1.73 (-0.47-3.94)	1.27E-01	2.80E-01
TG(18:0_18:0_18:1)	-0.007 (-0.059-0.044)	7.84E-01	8.97E-01	-0.006 (-0.048-0.035)	7.63E-01	9.08E-01	1.31 (-1.05-3.67)	2.81E-01	4.02E-01
TG(18:0_18:1_18:1)	0.010 (-0.037-0.057)	6.75E-01	8.37E-01	0.004 (-0.033-0.041)	8.28E-01	9.30E-01	1.33 (-0.76-3.42)	2.16E-01	3.61E-01
TG(18:0_18:2_18:2)	0.022 (-0.034-0.079)	4.42E-01	6.77E-01	-0.007 (-0.049-0.035)	7.41E-01	9.07E-01	1.37 (-1-3.74)	2.60E-01	3.88E-01
TG(18:1_18:1_18:1)	0.020 (-0.033-0.073)	4.60E-01	6.90E-01	0.006 (-0.035-0.048)	7.63E-01	9.08E-01	1.29 (-1-3.59)	2.73E-01	4.02E-01
TG(18:1_18:1_18:2)	0.045 (-0.009-0.099)	1.03E-01	2.94E-01	0.007 (-0.034-0.048)	7.37E-01	9.05E-01	0.16 (-2.18-2.49)	8.96E-01	9.23E-01
TG(18:1_18:1_20:4)	0.033 (-0.016-0.081)	1.93E-01	4.25E-01	0.025 (-0.014-0.063)	2.09E-01	4.60E-01	1.2 (-0.98-3.37)	2.85E-01	4.02E-01
TG(18:1_18:1_22:6)	0.012 (-0.040-0.065)	6.45E-01	8.28E-01	-0.016 (-0.056-0.024)	4.24E-01	6.93E-01	1.06 (-1.22-3.35)	3.65E-01	4.87E-01
TG(18:1_18:2_18:2)	0.036 (-0.028-0.100)	2.70E-01	5.31E-01	-0.008 (-0.057-0.04)	7.33E-01	9.05E-01	2.1 (-0.63-4.83)	1.36E-01	2.94E-01
TG(18:2_18:2_18:2)	0.027 (-0.028-0.083)	3.38E-01	6.23E-01	-0.003 (-0.046-0.039)	8.76E-01	9.46E-01	1.65 (-0.74-4.04)	1.79E-01	3.30E-01
TG(18:2_18:2_20:4)	0.038 (-0.010-0.085)	1.22E-01	3.25E-01	0.022 (-0.014-0.059)	2.35E-01	5.06E-01	1.93 (-0.14-4.01)	7.11E-02	2.16E-01

^a CE, cholesteryl ester; Cer(d18:0), dihydroceramide; Cer(d18:1), ceramide; COH, free cholesterol; DG, diacylglycerol; HexCer, monohexosylceramide; Hex2Cer, dihexosylceramide; Hex3Cer, trihexosylceramide; GM3, GM₃ ganglioside; LPC, lysophosphatidylcholine; LPC(O), lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine; LPE, lysophosphatidylethanolamine; LPI, lysophosphatidylinositol; PC, phosphatidylcholine; PC(O), alkylphosphatidylcholine; PC(P), alkenylphosphatidylcholine; PE, phosphatidylethanolamine; PE(O), alkylphosphatidylethanolamine; PE(P), alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine; PG, phosphatidylglycerol; PI, phosphatidylinositol; SM, sphingomyelin; TG, triacylglycerol.

^b Beta coefficient (95% confidence intervals) based on an interquartile range increases in predictor lipid classes measurement, adjusting for age, sex, body mass index (BMI), systolic blood pressure (SBP) and Homeostatic model assessment-estimated insulin resistance (HOMA-IR).

^c *p*-values not corrected for multiple comparisons.

^d *p*-values corrected for multiple comparisons using the method of Benjamini Hochberg.

1 **Table 7: Partial and Part (Semi-partial) correlation analysis of plasma lipid classes/subclasses against log-norepinephrine in MetS**

Lipid class	Linear regression analysis			Pearson correlation coefficient	Partial correlation analysis			Part correlation analysis			
	β -Coefficient ^a	p-value ^b	corrected p-value ^c		ρ_1 ^d	p-value ^b	corrected p-value ^c	ρ_2 ^e	p-value ^b	corrected p-value ^c	$(\rho_2)^{2f}$
Dihydroceramide	0.066	0.009	0.035	0.268	0.267	0.009	0.035	0.245	0.022	0.064	6.01%
Ceramide	0.079	0.004	0.021	0.297	0.318	0.004	0.021	0.292	0.006	0.035	8.54%
Monohexosylceramide	0.049	0.075	0.140	0.176	0.204	0.075	0.140	0.188	0.082	0.144	3.53%
Dihexosylceramide	0.063	0.011	0.037	0.248	0.306	0.011	0.037	0.282	0.008	0.038	7.93%
Trihexosylceramide	0.059	0.036	0.093	0.204	0.247	0.036	0.093	0.227	0.035	0.082	5.14%
GM3 ganglioside	0.025	0.351	0.475	0.106	0.118	0.351	0.475	0.108	0.319	0.386	1.17%
Sphingomyelin	0.070	0.007	0.032	0.282	0.274	0.007	0.032	0.252	0.019	0.061	6.35%
Phosphatidylcholine	0.063	0.019	0.056	0.258	0.298	0.019	0.056	0.274	0.010	0.039	7.50%
Alkylphosphatidylcholine	0.103	0.000	0.005	0.370	0.442	0.000	0.005	0.406	0.000	0.002	16.48%
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine	0.094	0.002	0.018	0.308	0.340	0.002	0.018	0.313	0.003	0.024	9.79%
Lysophosphatidylcholine	0.027	0.334	0.475	0.079	0.234	0.334	0.475	0.215	0.046	0.096	4.61%
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine	0.026	0.285	0.437	0.095	0.177	0.285	0.437	0.162	0.133	0.203	2.64%
Phosphatidylethanolamine	-0.014	0.611	0.703	-0.047	0.017	0.611	0.703	0.016	0.883	0.883	0.03%
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine	0.043	0.079	0.140	0.182	0.245	0.079	0.140	0.225	0.036	0.082	5.08%
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine	0.049	0.077	0.140	0.185	0.227	0.077	0.140	0.209	0.052	0.100	4.37%
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine	0.019	0.494	0.597	0.081	0.188	0.494	0.597	0.173	0.109	0.179	3.00%
Phosphatidylinositol	0.031	0.246	0.404	0.139	0.152	0.246	0.404	0.140	0.197	0.267	1.95%
Lysophosphatidylinositol	0.058	0.060	0.137	0.233	0.171	0.060	0.137	0.157	0.147	0.211	2.46%
Phosphatidylglycerol	0.001	0.984	0.984	-0.002	0.056	0.984	0.984	0.051	0.638	0.667	0.26%
Free cholesterol	0.078	0.002	0.018	0.302	0.372	0.002	0.018	0.342	0.001	0.014	11.68%
Cholesteryl ester	0.021	0.454	0.579	0.054	0.126	0.454	0.579	0.115	0.287	0.367	1.33%
Diacylglycerol	0.010	0.742	0.812	-0.012	0.068	0.742	0.812	0.062	0.567	0.621	0.39%
Triacylglycerol	0.007	0.788	0.824	-0.006	0.085	0.788	0.824	0.078	0.472	0.542	0.61%

2 ^a Beta coefficient based on an interquartile range increases in predictor lipid classes measurement, adjusting for age, sex, body mass index (BMI), systolic blood pressure
3 (SBP) and Homeostatic model assessment-estimated insulin resistance (HOMA-IR).

4 ^b p-values not corrected for multiple comparisons.

5 ^c p-values corrected for multiple comparisons using the method of Benjamini Hochberg.

6 ^d Partial correlation coefficient

7 ^e Part correlation coefficient

8 ^f Square of the part correlation coefficient

9 Table 8: Partial and Part (Semi-partial) correlation analysis of plasma lipid classes/subclasses against NEFA in Mets

Lipid class	Linear regression analysis			Pearson correlation coefficient	Partial correlation analysis			Part correlation analysis			
	β -Coefficient ^a	p -value ^b	corrected p -value ^c		ρ_1 ^d	p -value ^b	corrected p -value ^c	ρ_2 ^e	p -value ^b	corrected p -value ^c	$(\rho_2)^2$ ^f
Dihydroceramide	0.021	0.285	0.424	0.065	0.115	0.285	0.424	0.092	0.393	0.573	0.85%
Ceramide	0.030	0.154	0.253	0.086	0.153	0.154	0.253	0.123	0.255	0.419	1.50%
Monohexosylceramide	0.045	0.024	0.054	0.121	0.241	0.024	0.054	0.193	0.072	0.165	3.72%
Dihexosylceramide	0.054	0.003	0.020	0.252	0.311	0.003	0.020	0.249	0.019	0.120	6.21%
Trihexosylceramide	0.054	0.013	0.050	0.337	0.264	0.013	0.050	0.211	0.049	0.165	4.44%
GM3 ganglioside	0.069	0.000	0.008	0.300	0.374	0.000	0.008	0.299	0.005	0.107	8.95%
Sphingomyelin	0.048	0.020	0.054	0.354	0.248	0.020	0.054	0.198	0.064	0.165	3.94%
Phosphatidylcholine	0.061	0.004	0.020	0.260	0.308	0.004	0.020	0.246	0.021	0.120	6.05%
Alkylphosphatidylcholine	0.055	0.010	0.044	0.254	0.275	0.010	0.044	0.220	0.039	0.165	4.84%
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine	0.051	0.022	0.054	0.232	0.243	0.022	0.054	0.195	0.069	0.165	3.79%
Lysophosphatidylcholine	0.022	0.343	0.438	0.021	0.102	0.343	0.438	0.082	0.448	0.573	0.67%
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine	0.003	0.894	0.894	-0.003	0.014	0.894	0.894	0.012	0.915	0.915	0.01%
Phosphatidylethanolamine	0.022	0.319	0.431	0.074	0.107	0.319	0.431	0.086	0.426	0.573	0.74%
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine	-0.006	0.740	0.809	-0.017	-0.036	0.740	0.809	-0.029	0.791	0.855	0.08%
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine	0.010	0.637	0.733	0.015	0.051	0.637	0.733	0.041	0.706	0.812	0.17%
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine	0.034	0.119	0.228	0.151	0.167	0.119	0.228	0.134	0.214	0.410	1.79%
Phosphatidylinositol	0.061	0.003	0.020	0.326	0.315	0.003	0.020	0.252	0.018	0.120	6.34%
Lysophosphatidylinositol	0.050	0.034	0.070	0.310	0.227	0.034	0.070	0.181	0.091	0.190	3.29%
Phosphatidylglycerol	0.013	0.526	0.637	-0.014	0.068	0.526	0.637	0.055	0.612	0.741	0.30%
Free cholesterol	0.047	0.021	0.054	0.231	0.247	0.021	0.054	0.197	0.065	0.165	3.89%
Cholesteryl ester	0.033	0.151	0.253	0.048	0.154	0.151	0.253	0.123	0.252	0.419	1.52%
Diacylglycerol	0.024	0.295	0.424	-0.084	0.113	0.295	0.424	0.090	0.403	0.573	0.82%
Triacylglycerol	0.006	0.774	0.809	-0.108	0.031	0.774	0.809	0.025	0.818	0.855	0.06%

10 ^a Beta coefficient based on an interquartile range increases in predictor lipid classes measurement, adjusting for age, sex, body mass index (BMI), systolic blood pressure

11 (SBP) and Homeostatic model assessment-estimated insulin resistance (HOMA-IR).

12 ^b p -values not corrected for multiple comparisons.

13 ^c p -values corrected for multiple comparisons using the method of Benjamini Hochberg.

14 ^d Partial correlation coefficient

15 ^e Part correlation coefficient

16 ^f Square of the part correlation coefficient

17 **Table 9: Partial and Part (Semi-partial) correlation analysis of plasma lipid classes/subclasses against heart rate in MetS**

Lipid class	Linear regression analysis			Pearson correlation coefficient	Partial correlation analysis			Part correlation analysis			
	β -Coefficient ^a	<i>p</i> -value ^b	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^c		ρ_1 ^d	<i>p</i> -value ^b	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^c	ρ_2 ^e	<i>p</i> -value ^b	corrected <i>p</i> -value ^c	$(\rho_2)^2$ ^f
Dihydroceramide	2.320	0.038	0.107	0.238	0.222	0.038	0.107	0.211	0.050	0.137	4.43%
Ceramide	2.650	0.023	0.104	0.268	0.244	0.023	0.104	0.231	0.031	0.137	5.33%
Monohexosylceramide	2.090	0.068	0.130	0.173	0.197	0.068	0.130	0.186	0.084	0.161	3.47%
Dihexosylceramide	2.090	0.046	0.107	0.207	0.214	0.046	0.107	0.203	0.060	0.137	4.11%
Trihexosylceramide	0.380	0.761	0.795	0.027	0.033	0.761	0.795	0.031	0.773	0.808	0.10%
GM3 ganglioside	2.850	0.011	0.063	0.260	0.271	0.011	0.063	0.257	0.016	0.094	6.60%
Sphingomyelin	3.130	0.007	0.063	0.284	0.289	0.007	0.063	0.273	0.010	0.094	7.46%
Phosphatidylcholine	2.280	0.056	0.118	0.243	0.205	0.056	0.118	0.194	0.071	0.149	3.77%
Alkylphosphatidylcholine	2.070	0.089	0.157	0.186	0.183	0.089	0.157	0.174	0.108	0.191	3.01%
Alkenylphosphatidylcholine	1.510	0.241	0.292	0.132	0.127	0.241	0.292	0.120	0.267	0.324	1.45%
Lysophosphatidylcholine	2.670	0.039	0.107	0.157	0.222	0.039	0.107	0.210	0.051	0.137	4.42%
Lysoalkylphosphatidylcholine	1.470	0.174	0.226	0.106	0.147	0.174	0.226	0.139	0.199	0.257	1.93%
Phosphatidylethanolamine	0.310	0.806	0.806	0.066	0.027	0.806	0.806	0.025	0.816	0.816	0.06%
Alkylphosphatidylethanolamine	1.630	0.133	0.193	0.171	0.162	0.133	0.193	0.154	0.156	0.226	2.36%
Alkenylphosphatidylethanolamine	2.420	0.044	0.107	0.242	0.217	0.044	0.107	0.205	0.057	0.137	4.20%
Lysophosphatidylethanolamine	1.640	0.177	0.226	0.119	0.146	0.177	0.226	0.138	0.201	0.257	1.91%
Phosphatidylinositol	3.070	0.009	0.063	0.305	0.280	0.009	0.063	0.265	0.013	0.094	7.02%
Lysophosphatidylinositol	3.500	0.010	0.063	0.286	0.274	0.010	0.063	0.260	0.015	0.094	6.74%
Phosphatidylglycerol	0.470	0.656	0.719	0.073	0.048	0.656	0.719	0.046	0.674	0.738	0.21%
Free cholesterol	2.360	0.040	0.107	0.244	0.220	0.040	0.107	0.208	0.053	0.137	4.35%
Cholesteryl ester	2.110	0.119	0.193	0.218	0.168	0.119	0.193	0.159	0.140	0.226	2.54%
Diacylglycerol	1.890	0.135	0.193	0.163	0.162	0.135	0.193	0.153	0.157	0.226	2.34%
Triacylglycerol	1.170	0.271	0.311	0.148	0.119	0.271	0.311	0.113	0.298	0.342	1.28%

18 ^a Beta coefficient based on an interquartile range increases in predictor lipid classes measurement, adjusting for age, sex, body mass index (BMI), systolic blood pressure
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20 ^b *p*-values not corrected for multiple comparisons.

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22 ^d Partial correlation coefficient

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24 ^f Square of the part correlation coefficient