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## 2 From MS/MS Library Implementation to Molecular Networks: Exploring Oxylipin Diversity

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## 20 Abstract

21 Oxylipins, small polar molecules derived from the peroxidation of polyunsaturated fatty acids 22 (PUFAs), serve as biomarkers for many diseases and play crucial roles in human physiology and 23 inflammation. Despite their significance, many non-enzymatic oxygenated metabolites of 24 PUFAs (NEO-PUFAs) remain poorly reported, resulting in a lack of public datasets of 25 experimental data and limiting their dereplication in further studies. To overcome this 26 limitation, we constructed a high-resolution tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS) database 27 comprising pure NEO-PUFAs (both commercial and self-synthesized) and in vitro free radical-28 induced oxidation of diverse PUFAs. By employing molecular networking techniques with this 29 database and the existent ones in public repositories, we successfully mapped a wide range of 30 NEO-PUFAs, expanding the strategies for annotating oxylipins, and NEO-PUFAs and offering a 31 novel workflow for profiling these molecules in biological samples.

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# 33 Background & Summary

34 Lipid peroxidation was mechanistically revealed in the 1940s thanks to the scientists at the 35 British Rubber Products Association, and only then, the role of free radicals derived from 36 molecular oxygen started to make sense leading to the understanding of the autooxidation 37 phenomena<sup>1</sup>. Soon enough, the discovery of arachidonic acid (AA) cascade (enzyme-catalyzed 38 peroxidation) led to the discovery of bioactive eicosanoids, and oxylipins produced by other 39 polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFA) than AA. Finally, non-enzymatic oxygenated metabolites 40 of polyunsaturated fatty acids (NEO-PUFAs) were originally identified as mere product of 41 oxidative stress (hence potential biomarkers), however several evidences highlighted their 42 role as lipid mediators like the isoprostanoids<sup>2</sup>.

Early methods for detection and quantification of oxylipins in samples relied on thin-layer chromatography (TLC), gas chromatography (GC), and mass spectrometry (MS). Over the past three decades, advances in hyphenated techniques such as liquid chromatography coupled to tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) along with high resolution MS and novel data analysis approaches have allowed the comprehensive analysis of the various modifications of lipids by enzymatic and non-enzymatic reactions, forming higher levels of structural complexity, known as the epilipidome<sup>3</sup>.

50 One of the challenges in epilipidomics is the identification of the modified lipids, especially so

51 if they were already discovered, i.e., the dereplication of oxidized lipids<sup>4</sup>.

52 While efforts are being currently underway for the practical identification of oxylipins 53 esterified to complex lipids<sup>5</sup>, a recent work by Watrous et al.<sup>6</sup> reported the dereplication of 54 free oxylipins by molecular networking<sup>7,8</sup> using a high resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) 55 directed non-targeted approach, thanks to 234 reference tandem mass spectra of 234 of 56 commercially available oxylipins, and a few NEO-PUFAs. Interestingly, they reported the 57 discovery of more than 500 novel oxylipins (called "putative" in the text). This number should 58 have raised more interest to the community, as it is believed that very little gap remains for 59 novel oxylipin structures. We initially hypothesized that the lack of MS/MS libraries for NEO-60 PUFAs could partially explain the "putative" oxylipins number. Although a large amount of 61 knowledge over the last 25 years has been accumulated concerning the relevant NEO-PUFAs 62 detected by LC-MS/MS, it appears impossible to gather full spectra MS/MS data from either 63 the reports of their discovery or from their synthetic preparation. Knowing that targeted MRM 64 (multiple reaction monitoring) on low resolution mass spectrometry is preferred for 65 quantification of NEO-PUFAs, full MS/MS data repositories could seem irrelevant at the time 66 of their discovery. However very few of those discovered NEO-PUFAs were made available making todays dereplication not feasible. This problematic is recurrent in the field, and a 67 68 recent investigation proved the importance of data repositories<sup>9</sup>. Recent studies towards the 69 development and optimization of analytical strategies based on HRMS showed great promises, and improvement of spectrometer sensitivity will surely keep on improving<sup>10,11</sup> allowing 70 71 mainstream use.

72 As part of our continuing interest in NEO-PUFA chemistry, we developed a streamlined 73 molecular networking dereplication pipeline based on the implementation of a MS/MS library 74 that we named non-enzymatic oxylipins MS/MS library (NEO-MSMS). It contents an in-house 75 collections of synthesized and unique NEO-PUFA standards, commercially available enzymatic 76 oxylipins, and a curated MS/MS data collection of commercially available oxylipins from 77 Watrous et al. study<sup>6</sup>. Moreover, in vitro non-enzymatic oxidation of the four main PUFA (AA, 78 eicosapentaenoic acid [EPA], docosahexaenoic acid [DHA] and  $\alpha$ -Linolenic acid [ALA]) lead to 79 the creation of a vast MS/MS database of NEO-PUFAs which was sought to extend the 80 coverage signature of oxylipins.

This data descriptor presents the deposition of all this data in Zenodo and MASSIVE repositories along with its subsequent technical validation. Additionally, we also present the inclusion of the NEO-MSMS library into the GNPS libraries augmented with putatively annotated MS/MS oxylipin spectra extracted from the *in vitro* oxidation (Figure 1).

We believe this information could set the ground for understanding the importance of building
a MS/MS library dedicated to oxygenated PUFA metabolites, and we hope natural product
researchers, organic chemists and lipidomists in the field to share their collections, expand
and use NEO-MSMS.

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Figure 1. Oxylipins database implementation workflow (red path) and application in a
 molecular networking based dereplication workflow (blue path)

## 94 Methods

### 95 Standards and reagents

96 All solvents and reagents employed were ≥98% purity unless otherwise indicated, including 97 cyclohexane, acetonitrile, methanol, ethanol absolute, ammonia solution 30% (w/w), and 98 water, all sourced from Fisher Chemicals (Waltham, MA, USA). Hexane, ethyl acetate, 99 potassium hydroxide, sodium hydroxide, sodium chloride, potassium chloride, calcium 100 chloride, magnesium chloride, monosodium phosphate, disodium phosphate, glucose, 101 trimethyl phosphite, acetic acid, and formic acid were obtained from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany). The free radical initiator 2,2'-azobis(4-methoxy-2,4-dimethylvaleronitrile) (V70) 102 was procured from FUJIFILM Wako Chemicals (Tokyo, Japan) and N-methyl benzohydroxamic 103 104 acid (NMBHA) was prepared in our laboratory following the methodology outlined in a prior 105 publication<sup>12</sup>.

Tyrode's solution was prepared weighting and dissolving in water the appropriated amounts
of the following salts to obtain the concentration of NaCl 8 g/L, KCl 0.2 g/L, CaCl<sub>2</sub> 0.2 g/L, MgCl<sub>2</sub>
0.1 g/L, NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> 0.05 g/L, NaHCO<sub>3</sub> 1 g/L, and glucose 1 g/L. The pH was adjusted with 1M
solution NaOH to 7.4.

The PUFAs used in the in vitro oxidation were AA and EPA from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany),
DHA from Santa Cruz Biotechnology (Dallas, TX, USA), and ALA from BLDpharma (Shanghai,
China). The PUFA esters employed were DHA ethyl ester, AA methyl ester, and EPA methyl

ester from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany) and ALA methyl ester purchased from Fisher Chemicals (Waltham, MA, USA).

115 Regarding oxylipin standards, individual stock solutions at 1  $\mu$ mol/L of 131 oxylipins (purity 116 >95%) were prepared dissolving the appropriate amounts in H<sub>2</sub>O:CH<sub>3</sub>CN mixture (i.e. 20% 117 CH<sub>3</sub>CN). This includes 72 commercially available enzymatic oxylipins and NEO-PUFAs 118 purchased at Cayman Chemical (Ann Arbor, MI) as individual standard or premixed solution 119 and 59 NEO-PUFAs obtained by total synthesis in our laboratory following previously 120 developed procedures and purity-checked by NMR<sup>13–20</sup>.

121 As internal standards (IS); the same mixture of oxylipins commonly employed in our laboratory 122 for quantitative methods published elsewhere<sup>21,22</sup> weighting the appropriate amounts of 123 compounds and dissolving it in H<sub>2</sub>O (20% CH<sub>3</sub>CN) to obtain a concentration of 3.25 mg/L each. 124 This includes non-natural odd number analogues of oxylipins C19-16-F<sub>1t</sub>-PhytoP and C21-15-125 F<sub>2t</sub>-IsoP, and an isotopically labelled D4-10-*epi*-10-F<sub>4t</sub>-NeuroP.

#### 127 In vitro radical-induced oxidation of PUFAs

To encompass the broad spectrum of oxylipins produced from PUFAs, various oxidation protocols were applied to DHA, ALA, AA, and EPA acids and esters. The objective was to generate precise samples for encompassing the chemical signature of NEO-PUFAS (**oxPUFA data** in the text).

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133 Oxidation of PUFAs with  $H_2O_2$ . Approximately 5 mg of free fatty acid ( $\approx$ 17 µmol) were dissolved 134 in 100 µL of ethanol. Subsequently, it was mixed with a 1.8 mL Tyrode's solution and 100 µL 135  $H_2O_2$  solution (120 mM in water) to reach a final volume of 2 mL and approximate 136 concentrations of 8.5 mM and 6 mM for PUFA and  $H_2O_2$ , respectively (i.e., 1.4 PUFA/ $H_2O_2$ 137 molar ratio). The oxidation proceeded for 30 minutes, then the reaction mixture was divided 138 in two (1 mL each) aliquots. In one aliquot, 0.9 mL of 1M KOH in water was added and 139 incubated for 30 minutes at 40 °C with mid rotation in tube rotator. After this KOH 140 saponification, 100 μL of formic acid was added to obtain an acidic pH of 4. In the other aliquot, 141 only 1 mL of acidified water with formic acid (pH = 4) was added.

142 Of note: this alkaline hydrolysis step was included as a control experiment since best practice 143 for NEO-PUFAs profiling requires such step in the extraction procedure of plasma/tissues (to 144 the opposite of oxylipins), and that it was reported to transform or degrade a few NEO-PUFA/oxylipin structures<sup>23,24</sup>. Other oxylipin metabolites possessing 3,5-disubstituted 1,2-145 146 dioxolane units (endoperoxides) are also known to rearrange under basic conditions via the 147 Kornblum-DeLaMare reaction onto ketohydroxyl derivatives (i.e; PGG<sub>2</sub> into PGE<sub>2</sub>), however 148 the fate of endoperoxide metabolites (derived from initial 5-exo-trig cyclization followed by oxygenation of peroxyl radical precursor) remains uncertain. On model studies<sup>25,26</sup>, linear 1,2-149 150 dioxolanes do not rearrange under our alkaline conditions (see Supplementary Information 151 Figure S1). Other endoperoxide derivatives (like PGGs) were not investigated.

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153 Each aliquot (i.e., saponified and non-saponified) was purified by automated solid phase 154 extraction (SPE) process employing Extrahera system from Biotage (Uppsala, Sweden) and 155 Oasis Max cartridge as stationary phase (60 mg, 30 μm particle size) from Waters (Mildford, 156 MA, USA). The SPE procedure was optimized for the extraction of oxylipins in our previous works<sup>21,22</sup>; briefly, after the conditioning and sample loading, the cartridge was washed with 2 157 158 mL each of 2% NH<sub>3</sub> solution, MeOH/formic acid (20 mM, 30:70), pure hexane, and 159 hexane/ethyl acetate (70:30). Subsequently, elution is carried out using 1.5 mL of 160 hexane/EtOH/acetic acid (70:29.4:0.6). Finally, each aliquot elution was divided in two again (750 μL each) and 50 μL of P(OMe)<sub>3</sub> was added in one of the aliguots and incubated 30 min at 161 room temperature in order to reduce hydroperoxide derivatives and bicyclic endoperoxides, 162 163 keeping intact linear endoperoxides (1,2-dioxolanes)<sup>27</sup>. The robustness of the linear 164 endoperoxides was demonstrated through reduction tests on an isolated compound 165 (Supplementary Information Figure S1).

The four final samples of oxidized PUFA (oxPUFA) per every single PUFA investigated (i.e.,
 saponified/non-saponified with/without P(OMe)<sub>3</sub> reduction) were evaporated with CentriVap
 Vacuum Concentrator (Labconco, Kansas, MO, USA) and resuspended with 970 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O
 (20% CH<sub>3</sub>CN) plus 30 μL of IS mixture.

170 Oxidation of PUFA ethyl esters with NMBHA. Adapted from ref<sup>28,29</sup>; approximately 50 mg ( $\approx$ 17 171 µmol) of esterified fatty acid was diluted in 2 mL of anhydrous CH<sub>3</sub>CN, mixed with 7 mg of V70 172 ( $\approx$ 24 µmol), followed by addition of 25 mg of N-methyl benzohydroxamic acid (NMBHA) ( $\approx$ 17 173 µmol), and incubated for 24 hours opened to room air (i.e. 21% O<sub>2</sub>) at 37 °C in sand bath. The 174 oxidation product was purified to eliminate NMBHA, the unreacted PUFA and other by-175 products with Flash-LC employing a Reveleris X2 system from Buchi (Eastern Switzerland) and 176 a puriflash 30SI-JP/12g 30 µm column from Interchim (Montluçon, France). Solvent was 177 eliminated with rotavap, resuspended in 1 mL of cyclohexane with a few drops of ethyl acetate 178 until soluble material could be injected into the Flash-LC system. The separation gradient was 179 cyclohexane (0.1% acetic acid) (A) and ethyl acetate (0.1% acetic acid) (B) as eluents, and the 180 flow rate was set at 30 mL/min, (25mL per tube). The proportion of B was gradually increased 181 from 0% to 10% over 6.2 minutes, then to 23% over 2.3 minutes, then maintained isocratic 182 for 4.7 minutes and increased to 100% over 0.7 minutes which was held 5 minutes for a total 183 run time of 18.9 minutes. The elution of the unreacted PUFA, oxPUFA, and the NMBHA were 184 controlled by TLC and only the fractions of oxPUFA were finally collected. It should be noted 185 that the amount of NMBHA employed could be very problematic if it was injected 186 concentrated into the LC-MS system so this cleaning step is mandatory. The oxPUFA fractions 187 were concentrated with rotavap collecting approximately 25 mg of oxPUFA of which 5 mg 188 were diluted in 2 mL of water to reach the same concentration as in the  $H_2O_2$  oxidation. Then, 189 it was proceeded to saponification, SPE,  $P(OMe)_3$  reduction and IS dilution such as in the  $H_2O_2$ 190 oxidation.

191 *Oxidation of ethyl esters of PUFAs without NMBHA.* The last oxidation was made accordingly 192 to the previous one but without the addition of NMBHA. Additionally, during Flash-LC 193 purification two fractions of oxPUFA were collected, i.e., the ones before and after the 194 hypothetical elution of NMHBA. This was done to access to the oxylipins coeluting with 195 NMBHA and lost in the NMBHA oxidation.

### 196 In vitro radical-induced oxidation or rearrangement of oxylipins

Microscaling the previously reported leukotriene-like formation by oxidation of 15-HETE described by Rector et al.<sup>30</sup> and retrieve the partially reported information (MS/MS data) could be an answer to redeem annotation of oxylipins uncovered in past studies. Furthermore, solvent-assisted rearrangement of PGH<sub>1</sub> and PGH<sub>2</sub> was microscaled with the hope of acquiring the MS/MS data of the main produced metabolites, i.e., the 15-levuglandins LGE<sub>1</sub> and LGE<sub>2</sub><sup>31</sup>.

203 Microscaled V70 oxidation of commercially oxylipins. A solution of 30  $\mu$ L of V70 (0.15 mol/L) 204 in CH<sub>3</sub>CN was added to 50 µg of 15-HETE redisposed in chromatographic glass vials with 250 205 µL insert with conical bottom and quickly rotated with small angle using a Bio PTR-35 360° 206 Multi-Functional Tube Rotator from Grant Instruments, Royston, UK) at 40 °C for 24 h in an 207 oven. The agitation conditions were the following: 100 rpm orbital, a reciprocal rotation of 208 11° turning angle for 6 seconds followed by a 2° vibration for 1 second. The solution is then 209 evaporated with vacuum concentrator and diluted in 100  $\mu$ L of mobile phase before LC-MS 210 injection.

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212 *PGH rearrangement*. Commercially available standards PGH<sub>2</sub> (50 μg) and PGH<sub>1</sub> (25 μg) were 213 placed in chromatographic glass vials with 250 μL insert with conical bottom, dissolved in 30 214 μL of DMSO<sup>31–33</sup>, and mechanically agitated 1 hour at 37 °C using the tube rotator with the 215 same parameters of microscaled V70 oxidation. Finally, 270 μL of mobile phase were added 216 immediately before the LC-MS injection.

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## 218 Blood serum and microalgae samples

We used four samples of oxylipin extractions from human blood serum and three from microalgal biomass to demonstrate the practical application of NEO-MSMS and oxPUFA data with real samples. Serum samples had been processed for the quantitative profiling of oxylipins following our extraction protocol<sup>29</sup> (including the KOH saponification and the SPE like the oxPUFA samples described above) and the extracts stored at – 80 °C. Blood samples of healthy donors were obtained from EFS (Etablissement Français du Sang, Montpellier). All procedures in use by the EFS are defined by the law and follow institutional guidelines.

Similarly, the microalgae samples had been extracted in the framework of a previous study

including the sample grinding and multiple centrifugation and purification steps<sup>34,35</sup>.

# 230 Data acquisition

231 Three different methods were developed with two different LC-MS/MS platforms. On the one 232 hand, a Vanquish UHPLC system coupled to Q-Exactive Focus orbitrap mass spectrometer from 233 Thermo Fisher Scientific (Waltham, MA, USA) was used for the LC-MS/MS spectra acquisition 234 of standards (method 1). On the other hand, a Vanquish UHPLC system coupled to Orbitrap 235 ID-X Tribrid mass spectrometer, also from Thermo Fisher Scientific, was used for the Flow 236 injection analysis-MS/MS (FIA-MS/MS) spectra acquisition of standards (method 2); and for 237 the LC-MS/MS spectra acquisition of standards, in-vitro oxidation, and proof-of-concept 238 analysis of samples (method 3). The experimental conditions for each method are summarized 239 in Table 1.

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MS/MS spectra of standards. A total of 54 and 57 individual oxylipin standards were injected with the methods 1 and 2, respectively, and 28 with both methods. Furthermore, 2 and 6 mixtures of oxylipin standards were injected with the methods 1 and 3, respectively. Altogether, it resulted in 119 files in .raw format. The details of the standards and the composition of the mixtures are available in Supplementary Table S1 and Supplementary Table S2.

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248 Analysis of oxPUFA and oxidized oxylipins by LC-MS/MS data dependent acquisition (DDA). All 249 samples were randomly injected with the method 3 in two batches. Analysis of the first batch 250 consisted of the 40 oxPUFA samples, a pooled quality control sample (QC), which was prepared 251 mixing 5  $\mu$ L of each oxPUFA sample, and a blank sample both injected each 10<sup>th</sup> samples. 252 Different DDA inclusion lists were made for each PUFA oxidation calculating the theoretical 253 molecular formulae after adding different levels of oxidation following the known mechanisms 254 of PUFA oxidation. The inclusion lists are available in Supplementary Table S3. The second 255 batch contains the microscaled oxidized 15-HETE, and DMSO-rearranged PGH<sub>1</sub>, and PGH<sub>2</sub>.

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Analysis of blood serum and microalgae samples by LC-MS/MS DDA. The processed blood
 serum and microalgae samples were injected into the LC-MS/MS system following the method
 A combine inclusion list of the four different inclusion lists (per PUFA) was used.

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Method 1.	
Types of samples analyzed	Individual standards and standard mixtures
LC-MS/MS system	Vanquish UHPLC system coupled to Q-Exactive Focus
LC column	Kinetex EVO C18 (100 x 2.1 mm column 1.7 μm) from Phenomenex (Torrance, CA, USA)
Injection volume	5 μL
LC conditions	0.3 mL/min binary gradient using $H_2O$ (0.1% HCOOH) (i.e. channel A) and $CH_3CN:CH_3OH$ 8:2, (0.1% HCOOH) (i.e. channel B). Solvent B was increased from 10% to 20% from 0 to 1.00 minute, 20% to 55% from 1.00 to 12.00 minutes, 55% to 61% from 12.00 to 12.30 minutes, 61% to 81% from 12.30 to 18.5min, 81% to 99% from 18.30 to 19.00 minutes, 99% of B from 19.00 to 21.00 minutes, 99% to 10% B from 21.00 to 22.00 minutes and 10%
	B from 22.00 to 24.00 minutes.
Interface conditions	H-ESI in negative mode, spray voltage 3.5 kV, capillary temperature 265 °C, sheath gas flow rate 40 L/min, auxiliary gas flow rate 15 L/min, spare gas 2 L/min, probe heater temperature 350 °C.
DDA parameters	Survey scan: resolution 35k, scan range 200-450 m/z, AGC target 1E6, profile mode <u>MS/MS scans:</u> resolution 17k, isolation window 1 Da, CID collision energy 30 eV, AGC target 2E5, 3 top intense MS1 ions fragmented, dynamic exclusion 0.3s, exclude isotopes, profile mode. Inclusion list used with theoretical exact mass of oxylipins.
Method 2.	
Types of samples analyzed	Individual standards
LC-MS/MS system	Vanquish UHPLC system coupled to Orbitrap ID-X Tribrid
Injection volume	10 µL
FIA conditions	1 minute 0.5 mL/min isocratic at 50% $\mathrm{H_{2}O}$ (0.1% HCOOH):50% CH $_{3}$ CN (0.1% HCOOH)
Interface conditions	H-ESI in negative mode, spray voltage 2.5 kV, capillary temperature 275 °C, sheath gas flow rate 60 L/min, auxiliary gas flow rate 15 L/min, sweep gas 2 L/min, ion transfer tube temp 350 °C, vaporizer temperature 400 °C.
DDA parameters	<u>Survey scan</u> : resolution 60k, scan range 100-600, AGC target 4E5, profile monde <u>Intensity threshold filter</u> : min. intensity 2E4,
	<u>MS/MS scans</u> : resolution 30k, isolation window 1 Da, stepped HCD collision energy 20-40- 60%, AGC target 5E4, 0.5 s cycle time, centroid mode, dynamic exclusion time 2 s.
Method 3.	
lypes of samples analyzed	Standard mixtures, in vitro oxidation, and test samples
LC-MS/MS system	Vanquish UHPLC system coupled to Orbitrap ID-X Tribrid
	Kinetex C18 (100 x 2.1 mm, 1.7µm) from Phenomenex (Torrance, CA, USA)
LC conditions	$H_2O$ (0.1% HCOOH) (i.e. channel A) and CH <sub>3</sub> CN (0.1% HCOOH) (i.e. channel B) binary gradient at 0.5 m L/min. The gradient was as follows: 10% to 20% of B from 0 to 0.63 minute, 20% to 55% from 0.63 to 7.5 minutes, 55% to 57% from 7.5 to 7.69 minutes, 57% to 61% from 7.69 to 10.69 minutes, 61% to 81% from 10.69 to 14.75 minutes, 81% to 99% from 14.75 to 14.8 minutes 99% B from 14.80 to 15.80 minutes, 99% to 10% from 15.8 to 16 minutes and 10% of B from 16 to 17 minutes with a re-equilibration of 1 minute at 10% of B.
Interface conditions	H-ESI in negative mode, spray voltage 2.5 kV, capillary temperature 275 °C, sheath gas flow rate 60 L/min, auxiliary gas flow rate 15 L/min, sweep gas 2 L/min, ion transfer tube temp 350 °C, vaporizer temperature 400 °C.
DDA parameters	Survey scan: resolution 60k, scan range 100-600, AGC target 4E5, profile mode Intensity threshold filter: min. intensity 2E4, <u>MS/MS scans</u> : resolution 30k, isolation window 1 Da, stepped HCD collision energy 20-40- 60%, AGC target 5E4, 0.5 s cycle time, centroid mode, dynamic exclusion time 2 s. Inclusion list used with theoretical exact mass of [M-H] ions of oxylipins*.

**Table 1.** Summary of the instrumental parameters of the methods employed in this work.

280 \*Note: the inclusion lists used are available in Supplementary Table S3 of this data descriptor.

#### 281 NEO-MSMS library building

The analysis of standards yielded 119 files in .raw, of which 56 were from method 1 and 63 from methods 2 and 3. The files were converted to centroided .mzML format using MSconvert<sup>36</sup> (version 3.0.23056) for the method 1 files, while ThermoRawFileParser<sup>37</sup> version 1.4.2 was used for the Orbitrap IDx files (i.e. methods 2 and 3). This last conversion allowed to remove the fluoranthene calibration masses. Subsequently, the MS/MS spectrum for each standard was manually selected using MZmine3 (version 3.7.0)<sup>38</sup>, focusing on the peak apex 288 identified through the extracted ion chromatogram (EIC) with a 3 ppm mass error relative to 289 the theoretical [M-H] precursor. When a MS/MS was extracted from a mixture of standards, 290 the identity of each isobaric feature was confirmed by the relative retention time and specific 291 MS/MS fragments published in our previous works<sup>2</sup> or in the mixture datasheet for 292 commercial mixtures. Then, the MS/MS spectra were converted to .mgf format resulting in 293 195 different spectra of which 131 are unique compounds. This .mgf files were submitted to 294 GNPS libraries<sup>7,8,39</sup> employing the 'Batch Upload of Annotated Spectra' workflow 295 (https://ccms-ucsd.github.io/GNPSDocumentation/batchupload/). Additionally, another 296 submission was done employing 217 MS/MS .mgf files of commercial standards obtained from 297 Watrous et al. study focused on enzymatic oxylipins<sup>6</sup>. This building procedure was summarized 298 in Figure 1.

#### 299 Classical Molecular network of standards

300 Every individual MS/MS spectrum obtained according to the library building section were 301 subjected to classical molecular networking<sup>7</sup> using the GNPS platform 302 (https://gnps.ucsd.edu/). The parent mass tolerance and MS/MS fragment ion tolerance were 303 set at 0.02 Da for the analysis. The data were not clustered using MS-Cluster. The resulting 304 network was filtered based on edges, ensuring a cosine score above 0.71 and a minimum of 5 305 matched peaks. Additionally, edges between two nodes were retained in the network only if 306 each node appeared in the respective top 10 most similar nodes of the other node. To allow 307 for an unlimited number of nodes in a single network, the maximum size of nodes was set to 308 0 in the connected network.

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#### 310 Feature-based molecular networking of oxPUFAs

311 The LC-MS/MS data files associated with oxPUFAs were converted from the .raw data format to centroided .mzML files using the ThermoRawFileParser version 1.4.2<sup>37</sup>. Subsequently, the 312 .mzML file was processed further using MZmine3 (version 3.7.0)<sup>38</sup>. Mass detections were 313 314 conducted with a noise level threshold of 2E4 in MS1 and 2E3 in MS/MS. The ADAP 315 chromatogram builder utilized a minimum group size of 4 scans, a group intensity threshold 316 of 5E3, a minimum highest intensity of 1E4, and an m/z tolerance of 3 ppm. Chromatogram 317 deconvolution employed the Local Minimum Search algorithm with the following settings: 318 chromatographic threshold = 50%, search minimum in RT range (min) = 0.03, minimum 319 relative height = 1%, minimum absolute height = 2E4, min ratio of peak top/edge = 1, peak 320 duration range (min) = 0.00-1 and minimum scans (data points) = 4. The extracted features of 321 the same PUFA were aligned together using a m/z tolerance of 3 ppm, and retention time 322 tolerance of 0.03 min. The peak list was filtered to retain only features with MS/MS features. 323 All features present in the blank samples have been removed, unless the intensity (peak 324 height) of the feature is 300% more intense than that present in the blank. The alignment was 325 checked with the ISs features which were picked and aligned correctly across samples. The QC 326 data was not used in this alignment approach but provided as a part of this data descriptor for 327 further studies more focused on the quality assurance of semiquantification. All even-mass 328 features have been removed to simplify the studied molecular network. Gap filling is 329 employed to reduce false missing values, using an intensity tolerance of 20%, an m/z tolerance 330 of 3 ppm, and a minimum of 5 scans. Also, an additional feature table was obtained by aligning 331 the feature tables from each PUFA using the same parameters stated before (i.e., all PUFA 332 alignment). The resulting .mgf and .csv files were exported using the built-in "Export/Submit 333 to GNPS/FBMN" option in MZmine3. Finally, the molecular networks were created using the online FBMN workflow<sup>40</sup> (version release 28.2) at GNPS platform (https://gnps.ucsd.edu/) 334 with a parent mass tolerance of 0.02 Da and an MS/MS fragment ion tolerance of 0.02 Da. 335 336 Edges in the network were filtered to have a cosine score above 0.6 and more than 5 matched 337 peaks. Additionally, edges between two nodes were retained only if each node appeared in the respective top 15 most similar nodes of the other and a maximum connected componentsize of 50.

The spectra in the network were compared against GNPS spectral libraries and our 3 libraries built in this work. Matches between network spectra and library spectra were required to have a cosine score above 0.6 and at least 5 matched peaks. The molecular networking data were analyzed and visualized using Cytoscape (ver. 3.10.0) and was used for the dereplication of new putative oxylipins studying the fragmentation patterns as described in the Technical Validation section. The construction of the pie charts that will be visualized on the feature based molecular network (FBMN) is based on the peak heights of the corresponding feature in each sample.

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## 349 Data analysis of oxidized and rearranged oxylipins

The identification of putative oxylipins from the 15-HETE oxidation and PGH rearrangement experiments was performed by extracting the EICs of specific parent masses on MZmine3 (version 3.7.0) with 3 ppm tolerance and extracting the MS/MS spectra of the integrated features at peak apex. Subsequently, the identification is based on the study of MS/MS data based on known oxylipin fragmentation mechanisms.

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### 356 Classical molecular networking of serum, microalgae samples, and oxPUFA

357 The LC-MS/MS data of the microalgae and serum samples was processed as well as the oxPUFA 358 samples with MZmine3 using the same parameters. The features were aligned for each type 359 of sample resulting in two pairs of feature tables and the MS/MS files for the serum and 360 microalgae samples, respectively. Then, a classical molecular network was constructed 361 employing the extracted MS/MS files from the serum, microalgae, and the 'all oxPUFA' 362 alignment described above. The networking parameters remained consistent with those used 363 for the feature-based molecular network, with the addition of the 'MS cluster OFF' option and 364 library matching against both GNPS and our NEO-MSMS libraries.

# 366 Data Records

367 All the data reported in this article is available in the Zenodo repository under a CC BY 4.0 license as a compressed .zip file with different subfolders<sup>41</sup>. The folder 'libraries' contains the 368 369 NEO-MSMS library divided into three .mgf files, i.e., the standards obtained with Q-Exactive 370 Focus (i.e. NEOMSMS QFocus lib.mgf), Orbitrap ID-X Tribrid (i.e. NEOMSMS idX lib.mgf), 371 and from the Watrous et al. study<sup>6</sup> (NEOMSMS\_Watrous\_lib.mgf). Moreover, the individual 372 .mgf files from each compound was included in three subfolders following the same syntax. 373 The folder 'oxPUFAs' contains the raw .mzML files of the LC-MS/MS analysis and the MZmine3 374 (version 3.7.0) alignment results (i.e., the feature tables and the extracted .mgf files). The 375 folder 'algae\_serum' contains the same type of data from the microalgae and serum samples. 376 The folder 'oxOxylipins' contains the raw .mzML files of the LC-MS/MS analysis of the 377 miniaturized oxidation of HETE, rearrangement of PGH1 and PGH2. Finally, the 'putative\_lib' 378 folder contains the putatively annotated oxylipins in the same structure as 'libraries' folder. 379 Also, the .mzML files of the different experiments as well as the .mgf files of the standards are 380 available in MASSIVE as a GNPS dataset under CC0 1.0 Universal license<sup>42</sup>.

Furthermore, the MS/MS spectra of the 412 compounds plus more than 60 putative compounds obtained during the technical validation step were included into the GNPS libraries as gold and bronze quality levels, respectively. To this library it was assigned the specific 'NEO-MSMS' name and it is available directly for the molecular networking analysis<sup>8,39</sup> and for the download from <u>https://gnps-external.ucsd.edu/gnpslibrary</u>.

## 387 **Technical Validation**

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The validation of the molecular networking of NEO-PUFAs was accomplished through four distinct strategies. Firstly, the topology of the molecular network generated using the NEO-MSMS standards as input was examined to determine if the uploaded MS/MS data could highlight structural similarities among the standards present in the database.

Next, we generated four feature-based molecular networks for each PUFAs, encompassing all types of oxidation. Additionally, a feature-based network was established, including all four fatty acids, to identify potential compounds based on observed connections within the molecular network from which was created our putative library. Moreover, the examination of oxPUFA data played a crucial role in identifying specific putative compounds which were subsequently added to the putative library.

Finally, the dereplication efficiency of the NEO-MSMS oxylipins database implemented in GNPS libraries was estimated by annotating the molecular network obtained from blood serum and microalgae extract, and the oxPUFA data large oxylipins/NEO-PUFAs coverage was revealed by highlighting related oxylipins.

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### 404 Cartography of classical molecular network of oxylipin standards library

In Figure 2 is described a classical molecular network that includes all available standards analyzed on the Orbitrap IDx and the Q-Exactive Focus, presented in circular-shaped nodes, along with the standards extracted from the study by Watrous et al<sup>6</sup>, presented in rectangularshaped nodes. So, it represents the NEO-MSMS library that will be ultimately used for annotation.

Three ways that allow us to classify the compounds can be observed depending on the relationships between structures. Firstly, the compounds are classified by families. For example, it can be observed the F families of isoprostanes<sup>43</sup> or prostaglandins colored in cyan and grouped together. The linear compounds (non-cyclic) in orange are linked together by series, while the remaining prostaglandin families of types A, B, J, E, D, K, H, or I are classified separately and presented in violet color.

Secondly, on the other hand, the classification of these compounds is also influenced by the number of hydroxyl groups (OH) present in the molecule, excluding the acidic part. For instance, although 13,14-dihydro-19-hydroxy-PGE<sub>1</sub> belongs to the E family, it is found within the cluster of F families (top right corner). This can be attributed to the presence of three free OH groups in this molecule leading to fragments resembling the F family.

Lastly, the presence of ketone or hydroperoxide forms, indicated by red color contours (middle left corner in violet). Oxylipins/NEO-PUFAs with 18 Da difference will likely be linked in a molecular network if they are either lipid-hydroperoxide and its corresponding ketone. Similarly, because of similarity in fragmentation patterns, it is also the case for D/E-PG derivatives and their corresponding A/J-PG like isomers.

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441 Figure 2. Cartography of the molecular network obtained using the oxylipins database as an442 input.

#### 444 Feature-based molecular networks of oxPUFAs

445 *NMBHA oxidation.* A FBMN was created for each fatty acid containing the different studied 446 oxidation. As indicated in the key (Figure 3), we can examine the distribution of the several 447 DHA oxidation performed: the red colour corresponds to oxidation 1 ( $H_2O_2$ ), green 448 corresponds to oxidation 2 ( $H_2O_2$  followed by KOH), yellow and orange represent the first and 449 second fractions of oxidation 3 (V70), while brown represents the only fraction collected with 450 oxidation 4 (V-70 and NMBHA) as the last fraction contaminated with NMBHA was discarded. 451 The squared bold shape are compounds annotated by our NEO-MSMS library.

452 The FBMN analysis of oxidized DHA, or individually oxidized PUFA, can revealed some rational 453 clustering trends accordingly to families of oxylipins, because whatever the series within a 454 family, a fragmentation pattern remains. For example, the zoomed cluster in (Figure 3), thanks 455 to the library matching using the NEO-MSMS, allowed the annotation of four series of the F<sub>4</sub>-456 NeuroP family: 20-F<sub>4</sub>-NeuroP, 4-F<sub>4</sub>-NeuroP, 10-F<sub>4</sub>-NeuroP, and 14-F<sub>4</sub>-NeuroP. The several 457 detected stereoisomers per series of NeuroPs are represented by the multiple nodes allowing 458 a rapid dereplication knowing the similarity in fragmentations for diastereomeric compounds, 459 but difference in retention time thanks to FBMN. The interconnection of the nodes can be 460 explained by the fragmentation patterns of the F-series isoprostanoids (or PGs) which is well 461 studied in ESI mode (see Supplementary Information Figure S2)<sup>44</sup>.

Another interesting feature, revealed by the pie charts of such compounds is the NMBHA 462 463 radical H-atom donor effectiveness at competing with cyclisation processes. The relative 464 quantitative differences in the formation of series of NeuroPs are known to be a direct 465 consequence of further cyclization leading to dioxolane-NeuroPs<sup>45</sup>. In autoxidative condition 466 the 4- and 20-NeuroPs are the major compounds because they cannot further formed 1,2-467 dioxolane to the contrary of the other series. However, when NMBHA is used, it reduces the 468 possibility of dioxolane formation, hence the observation of quantitatively higher level of 10 469 and 14-F<sub>4</sub>-NeuroPs at the detriment of 4- and 20-F<sub>4</sub>-NeuroPs.

470 Dereplication and finding "novel" features (Figure 3) is also indicative of the power of 471 molecular networking approach for finding related metabolites. The few non-annotated nodes in this zoomed cluster, like explained above, are potential putative F-type NeuroP. For 472 473 example, if we take this unknown node with the same precursor mass as  $F_{4t}$ -NeuroP 474 (highlighted with a star), it is relatively easy to find the missing link as the two main fragments (outside the redundant fragments described in Supplementary Information Figure S2) are m/z 475 113.0608 and m/z 141.0557 indicative of the 7-series<sup>45</sup> (Supplementary Information Figure 476 477 S3). Thus, several compounds have been putatively annotated with a F-prostane ring including

478 DHA, EPA, AA, and ALA precursors.

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Figure 3. Feature based molecular network of all the DHA oxidation (with zoomed cluster of
 F<sub>4</sub>-NeuroPs)

482 *Phosphite oxidation*. Trimethyl phosphite or triphenyl phosphite is known to reduce 483 hydroperoxide derivatives and also interestingly to selectively reduce the isobaric NEO-PUFAs 484 bicyclic-endoperoxides (like PGG) versus the more stable linear endoperoxides (1,2-485 dioxolanes).<sup>46</sup> It allowed to potentially locate those functions and/or structures (PGG like) in 486 clusters of metabolites (Supplementary Information Figure S4).

487 All oxPUFA. As described above, the molecular networking analysis of individual oxidized PUFA is capable of isolating cluster of family of NEO-PUFAs, with the potential of further annotating 488 489 remaining series. We have established a feature-based molecular network incorporating all 490 the analyzed oxidized PUFAs through the alignment of the four previously used feature tables 491 (mimicking real samples), allowing us to establish new connections between series of different 492 PUFA precursors from the same families. For instance, (Figure 4, right corner), automatic 493 dereplication using the NEO-MSMS library highlighted the cluster comprising the E- or D-type 494 NEO-EPA (thanks to the identification of PGE<sub>3</sub>, or its likely isoprostanoid diastereoisomer at 495 m/z 349.2021, orange nodes), 9-E<sub>1</sub>-PhytoP derivatives (from ALA of m/z 325.202, violet nodes), 496 as well as E- or D-type DHA derivatives (m/z 375.2177, blue nodes) and A-or J-type EPA metabolites (m/z 331.1915, orange nodes). It is then possible to annotate some of the 497 498 detected E4-and A3-IsoPs based on their MS/MS fragmentations, as 4-E4-NeuroP and 17-E4-499 NeuroP (Supplementary Information Figure S5 and S6). Furthermore, 15-A<sub>3</sub>-IsoP was easily 500 identified as directly connected to PGE<sub>3</sub> (almost identical fragmentation pattern, 501 Supplementary Information Figure S7)<sup>47</sup>.

- 502 These inter-family relationships have superseded the intra-family series connections obtained
- 503 from a single oxidized PUFA. Other clusters have maintained the connection between series
- of the same family, as is the case in the  $F_3$ -IsoP,  $F_2$ -IsoP and  $F_4$ -NeuroP clusters (Figure 4).



506 **Figure 4.** Some clusters from the feature based molecular network from all oxidized PUFA.

#### 507 Structural determination of oxylipin oxidation products

15-HETE Oxidation. To retrieve data of previously identified NEO-PUFAs (NMR and/or MS/MS) 508 509 generated by oxidation of peculiar oxylipins, we miniaturized the original V-70 radical initiated oxidation protocol developed by Rector et al.<sup>30</sup>. Applied on 15 HETE, it permitted to detect and 510 511 acquire corresponding diol metabolites, of which 4 were elucidated as: the well-known 5,15-512 DiHETE (commercially available enzymatic isomer), and the rediscovered 9,15-DiHETE, 8,15-513 DiHETE and 14,15-DiHETE (Supplementary Information Figure S8-S11). Those NEO-PUFAs 514 represented 4 out of the 7 leukotriene-like metabolites reported (the non-use of NMBHA and 515 the non-reduction procedure could explain the lower number of diols recovered).

516 PGHs transformation into levuglandins. The elusive MS/MS data of levuglandins and other iso-517 levuglandins prompted us to perform the protocol described by Salomon et al. that could 518 smoothly transform PGHs into levuglandins (LGE) via the Kornblum-DeLaMare rearrangement 519 <sup>27</sup>. Accordingly, as described in that seminal paper, several compounds were identified like the 520 corresponding PGF, PGD, PGE, keto-PG (validated by rt and MS/MS from standards, 521 Supplementary Information Figure S12-S16), and ultimately what we putatively assigned as 522 levuglandin-LGE. The given away fragments for LGE<sub>2</sub> are the ones in between the two carbonyl 523 functions (m/z 183.1027, m/z 149.0972, m/z 225.1132, m/z 195.1027 and 165.0921 on Figure 524 5). Once more, microscalling PUFAs oxidation or transformation is feasible and allows for the 525 retrieval of MS/MS data of previously discovered NEO-PUFAs missing such valuable 526 information.

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Figure 5. Electrospray ionization (negative ions) and tandem mass spectrometry of putative 531 Levuglandin-LGE<sub>2</sub> obtained from the rearrangement of PGH<sub>2</sub> and some putative characteristic 532 533 fragmentation mechanisms. (A) MS/MS spectrum used for the identification (B) 534 Intramolecular cyclisation of the ketoaldehyde unit produces a lactol derivative explaining the 535 otherwise inextricable double water losses and decarboxylation. (C) lon-dipole intermediate generated after double water losses can explain characteristic fragments m/z 149.0972, 536 165.0921. (D) double 1[5]-sigmatropic proton shift and water loss followed by H-ene reaction 537 lead to characteristic fragments m/z 183.1027 after acetaldehyde loss, and m/z 195.1027 after 538 539 CO loss.

### 541 Oxylipins/NEO-PUFAs dereplication in blood serum and microalgae samples with oxPUFA 542 and NEO-MSMS

To assess the NEO-MSMS library's annotation capability with real samples, we initially utilized the 'Spectral Library Search' workflow within GNPS<sup>8</sup>. We used the .mgf files obtained following the preprocessing of serum and algae samples using MZmine3 described in the Methods section. The matching parameters were 0.6 minimum cosine score, at least 5 matching peaks, 0.02 Da precursor error, and 0.02 Da product ion error. Given these parameters, the results will be as follows:

549 During the serum analysis, a total of 190 compounds were successfully annotated using the 550 NEO-MS/MS library, as indicated in Supplementary Table S4. Similarly, in the microalgae 551 extract analysis, 138 compounds were annotated, as documented in Supplementary Table S5. 552 These annotations account for 45.2% and 50.5% of the overall annotated compounds for 553 serum and microalgae, respectively.

554 Following the validation of our library, we established a classical molecular network that 555 incorporated MS/MS data from the aligned oxPUFAs features (see all oxPUFA), serum samples, 556 and algae samples, as illustrated in (Figure 6). For the sake of reusability of oxPUFA data for the 557 community, we chose classical molecular network workflow since FBMN would come short of 558 utility in this case as the alignment procedure is machine/sample dependent. Our oxPUFA data, 559 depicted by the blue nodes, exhibit strong connections to nodes exclusively found in the serum 560 extracts (depicted in red) and algae (depicted in green), indicating that oxPUFA data is particularly effective in discerning other NEO-PUFAs as the ones already present in oxPUFA 561 562 data (potentially originating from other fatty acids).

563 An example from the zoomed-in cluster (Figure 6) showed different nodes annotated as 11-564 HETE employing NEO-MSMS library (i.e., the black squares of m/z 319.228 in the Figure 6) 565 which potentially correspond to different isomers due to the difference on the retention times 566 (max. difference of 0.09 min). These nodes are linked with another two with virtually identical 567 mass spectra (cosine score 0.9929), m/z 347.259 (C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>35</sub>O<sub>3</sub>), which could correspond precisely 568 to a monohydroxyl derivative of a fatty acid with the formula  $C_{22}H_{36}O_2$ . Similarly, the node with 569 m/z 345.244 ( $C_{22}H_{34}O_3$ ) may correspond to a monohydroxyl derivative of  $C_{22}H_{34}O_2$ , and m/z 570 293.2122 ( $C_{18}H_{29}O_3$ ) to the monohydroxyl derivative of  $C_{18}H_{28}O_2$ .



572 Figure 6. Example of some clusters from the classical molecular network from all oxidized573 PUFA with serum and algae samples.

574 The position of the hydroxyl group relative to the end of the chain plays a crucial role in 575 connecting compounds of the same family. For example, an OH group at position 11 of a C20 576 can easily be linked to a monohydroxyl compound with an OH group at position 13 of a C22, 577 or an OH group at position 9 of a C18. The study of the MS/MS spectrum clearly demonstrated 578 that the compound with m/z 347.259 corresponds to 13-hydroxy-7Z,10Z,14E,16Z-579 docosatrienoic acid (13-HDT) a metabolite of adrenic acid (the 16<sup>th</sup> isomer position could 580 potentially be E). This is supported by the specific fragments at m/z 195 and m/z 223, as shown 581 in Supplementary Information Figure S17.

582 Regarding the compound with m/z 293.2122 ( $C_{18}H_{29}O_3$ ), the 9-monohydroxyl of linolenic acid 583  $(C_{18}H_{28}O_2)$  was initially investigated but two additional Da on the specific major fragments led 584 us to consider other isomers of ALA, such as pinolenic acid. The putative fragments of 9-585 hydroxy-(5Z,10Z,12Z)-octadeca-5,9,12-trienoic acid would match with the observed spectrum 586 (Supplementary Information Figure S18). The third node with m/z 345.244 must correspond 587 to the 13-monohydroxyl of Osbond acid (13-hydroxy (4Z,7Z,10Z,14E,16Z)-docosapentaenoic 588 acid), rather than clupanodonic acid, in order for the major fragments to be explained properly 589 (Supplementary Information Figure S19). The two compounds, 13-HDT and the 9-590 monohydroxyl of pinolenic acid, are in turn connected to one node with masses m/z 321.243 591  $(C_{20}H_{33}O_3)$ , likely a monohydroxyl of dihomo-gamma-linolenic acid  $C_{20}H_{34}O_2$  (Supplementary 592 Information Figure S20). The plausible characteristic fragments of the 11-hydroxy-593 (8Z,12E,14Z)-icosa-8,11,14-trienoic acid correspond perfectly to those observed in the 594 spectrum.

595 These 'novel oxylipins' arising from enzymatic or non-enzymatic processes would be 596 completely overlooked if only a targeted analysis is to be performed, questioning the utility of 597 adapting a targeted MRM solution based on oxPUFA data<sup>48</sup>. The use of oxPUFA data along with 598 our NEO-MSMS library can be highly valuable, both for annotating compounds found in 599 biological matrices and for connecting new structures to discover potential novel biomarkers. 600 The very precise nature of OxPUFA data also likely suggest its use for machine-learning based 601 annotation<sup>49</sup>.

# Dereplication of the NEO-MSMS against the "putative Watrous oxylipins" available on the MASSIVE repository

604 In the Watrous studies<sup>6,50</sup>, more than 500 "unknown or putative oxylipins" were discovered, 605 and as initially hypothesized in this manuscript and one of the purpose for this NEO-MSMS 606 library, we believed that some of them could be related to NEO-PUFAs. We subsequently 607 reanalyzed the data presented by Watrous et al. in 2019 through a conventional molecular 608 network, using the same parameters and incorporating our library NEO-MSMS. However, the 609 MS/MS files available present a mass error that can exceed 0.04 m/z and could not be used to 610 match lipid databases for predicting known fragmentations (simple loss of water or CO<sub>2</sub> are 611 already off target to match any formulae of oxylipins). Nevertheless, the power of molecular 612 networking is that by increasing the mass error tolerance to 0.1 instead of 0.02, we could carry 613 out dereplication. However, still due to the complexity of further analysis of the data, we 614 specially focused on three specific oxylipins; i.e, oxylipin 1, 2, and 3 (named as such in the 615 original text) which showed significant changes after one-year PUFA n-3 treatment (VITAL 616 study) and associated with clinical lipid and inflammatory biomarkers<sup>50</sup>. We also looked at five 617 other unidentified putative compounds from the original Watrous et al. study which were 618 frequently found to be associated with multiple correlates of inflammation, while other

619 putative compounds, were specifically linked to age, BMI, or CRP levels, suggesting both 620 universal and specific inflammation mediators<sup>6</sup>.

As described (in the Supplementary Information Figure S21), 6 out of the 8 putatively assigned oxylipins (vide supra) could be annotated with great confidence as NEO-PUFA (5-HETE, 9-*epi*-9-F<sub>1t</sub>-PhytoP, 20-HDHA, 11-hydroxy-7E,9Z,13Z,16Z-docosatrienoic acid (11-HDT), 13-hydroxy-

624 7E,10E,14E,16Z-docosatrienoic acid (13-HDT) and 14,17-DiHEPE) and not as enzymatic 625 oxylipins, thanks to the NEO-MSMS associated with the library building of GNPS and the 626 molecular networking facility of GNPS using oxPUFA data.

627 We validate that NEO-MSMS and oxPUFA data could help reinterpreting the previously 628 identified families of NEO-PUFAs of which data were not collected at the time. It could also 629 help the isolation of formerly unreported metabolites.

## 630 Usage Notes

631 The NEO-MSMS library can be used directly in the GNPS environment for the different 632 molecular networking analysis. Also, it is available as a set of .mgf files compatible with 633 MZmine3 libraries. oxPUFA files could be used for conducting classical molecular networking 634 analysis with another samples as we demonstrated for serum and algae samples and 635 dereplicate oxylipins. Additionally, the oxPUFA files will also be located in the MASSIVE repository as GNPS dataset allowing their use with GNPS MASST<sup>51</sup>. With this tool, the oxPUFA 636 637 data can be re-analyzed and used for the annotation of unknowns as putative NEO-PUFA in 638 future lipidomic studies with special value for the novel separation approaches employing 639 sophisticated chiral LC<sup>52</sup> or ion mobility<sup>53,54</sup>.

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# 641 Code Availability

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