Supporting Information

Dihydroxy-Metabolites of Dihomo-gamma-linolenic Acid Drive Ferroptosis-

Mediated Neurodegeneration

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1. Supporting Figures and Tables (Figure S1-S8, and Table S1):



Figure S1: Dose response curve: the effect of different DGLA concentrations on degeneration of ADE neurons at Day 1 and Day 8 of adulthood. The slope for dose response curve on day 8 adulthood is significantly different compared to day1 adulthood, suggesting there may be different mechanism for neurodegeneration at these 2 timepoints.



Figure S2: Ethanol does not alter ADE neuron phenotypes. Percentage (%) of worms with healthy ADE dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic worms +/- supplementation with 10 µl absolute ethanol. This test was done to determine whether ethanol in PUFA supplementation (which is 10 µl) affects the overall healthspan of dopaminergic neurons. N=3, and about 20 worms were tested in each replicate.. Two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA), Tukey's multiple comparison test, $*P \le 0.05$, $**P \le 0.01$, $***P \le 0.001$, $***P \le 0.001$, ns: not significant.



Figure S3: Different types of dopaminergic neurons in the hermaphrodite have varying sensitivity to the treatment with DGLA or EEDs. (A). Normal dopaminergic neurons in *C. elegans* labeled with *dat-1::gfp*, (B) Healthy worms (top) and degenerated dopaminergic neurons (bottom). (C) Percentage (%) of worms with healthy ADE dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic +/- supplementation with 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs. (D) Percentage (%) of worms with healthy CEP dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic worms +/1 supplementation with 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs. (E) Percentage (%) of worms with healthy PDE dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic +/- supplementation with 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs. (E) Percentage (%) of worms with healthy PDE dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic +/- supplementation with 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs. (E) Percentage (%) of worms with healthy PDE dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic +/- supplementation with 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs. (E) Percentage (%) of worms with healthy PDE dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic +/- supplementation with 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs. (E) Percentage (%) of worms with healthy PDE dopaminergic neurons in *dat-1::gfp* transgenic +/- supplementation with 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs. For all experiments N=3, and about 20 worms were tested for each replicate. A two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA), Tukey's multiple comparison test, *P ≤ 0.05, **P ≤ 0.01, ***P ≤ 0.001, ****P < 0.0001, ns: not significant.



Figure S4: The genetic knockout of *gpx-1* does not result any observable changes of DGLAinduced neurodegeneration in dopaminergic neurons. Percentage (%) of worms with healthy ADE neurons for *dat-1::gfp* and *gpx-1;dat-1::gfp* worms treated with 100 µM DGLA were show. This result suggests that DGLA could trigger ferroptosis-mediated neurodegeneration independent of the GPX pathway, which is not without precedent. It has been reported that cytochrome P450 oxidoreductase mediates ferroptosis distinct from the GPX pathway(Zou et al., 2020). Another likely possibility is that there is redundancy, and we have only tested one of the seven isoforms of GPX. More testing on other GPX isoforms is underway.



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Figure S5: DGLA Supplementation significantly changes the EEDs and DHEDs levels in worm. Oxylipin profile representing the pmol/g of Epoxy- and dihydroxy- PUFA levels in worms treated with 100 μ M of DGLA compared to control. The worms were supplemented at the L4 stage, and were tested at day 1 of adulthood. Black boxes represent the values are those that were inconsistent in different trials or were out of standard curve



Figure S6: AUDA changes the EEDs and DHEDs levels in worm supplemented by DGLA, through inhibition of epoxide hydrolase enzyme. Oxylipin profile representing the pmol/g of Epoxy- and dihydroxy- PUFA level in worms treated with 100 μ M of DGLA ±100 μ M AUDA compared to control. The worms were supplemented at the L4 stage and were tested at day 1 of adulthood. Black boxes represent the values are those that were inconsistent in different trials or were out of standard curve range.



Figure S7: EEDs does not effect on neuronal healthspan of GABAergic and Cholinergi neurons, and its effect of glutamatergic neurons starts after day 4. The effect of 100 μ M of EEDs on various neurons types compared to vehicle. Percentage (%) of worms healthy (A) cholinergic neurons, (B) GABAergic neurons, and C) glutamatergic neurons. Worms are supplemented with 100 μ M of EEDs at the L4 stage. For all experiments N=3, and 20-30 worms were tested in each replicate. A two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA), Tukey's multiple comparison test, *P ≤ 0.05, **P ≤ 0.01, ***P ≤ 0.001, ****P < 0.0001, not significant is not shown.



Figure S8: EEDs Supplementation significantly changes the EEDs and DHEDs levels in worm. AUDA changes the EEDs and DHEDs levels in worm supplemented by DGLA, through inhibition of epoxide hydrolase enzyme. Oxylipin profile representing the pmol/g of Epoxy- and dihydroxy- PUFA levels in worms treated with 100 µM of EEDs $\pm 100 \mu$ M AUDA compared to control. The worms were supplemented at the L4 stage, and were tested at day 1 of adulthood. Black boxes represent the values are those that were inconsistent in different trials or were out of standard curve range.

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10.1 - 100.0

0 - 10.0



pmol/gworm



Figure S9: DGLA, EEDs, and DHEDs Supplementation alters the EEDs and DHEDs levels in worms. Oxylipin profile representing the pmol/g of Epoxy, hydroxy, and dihydroxy-PUFA regioisomers, CYP/EH metabolites in worms treated with 100 μ M of either DGLA or EEDs, or DHEDs compared to control. Worms were supplemented at the L4 stage and were tested at day 1 of adulthood. Black boxes represent the values those that were inconsistent in different trials or were out of standard curve range.

2. Experimental Sections:

Reagent and resource:

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER	
Trolox	Cayman Chemicals	Cat# 10011659; CAS: 53188-07-1	
liproxstatin-1	BioVision	Cat#B2312-5,25;	
2,2'-Bipyridine	Oakwood Chemical	Lot# 003434M03F; CAS: 366-18-7	
Cholesterol	Alfa Aesar	Cat#A11470; CAS: 57-88-5	
Agar	Fisher Bioreagents	Cat#BP9744-500; CAS: 9002-18-0	
Bacto Agar	Becton, Dickinson, and Company	Cat# DIFCO 214010	
Tryptone	Fisher Bioreagents	Cat#BP1421-500; CAS: 91079-40-2	
Bacto Tryptone	Life Technologies Corporation	Cat# DIFCO 211705	
Yeast Extract	Becton, Dickinson, and Company	Cat# DIFCO 212750	
Sodium Chloride	VWR	Cat#BDH9286	
Magnesium Sulfate	Fisher Chemical	Cat#M63-500; CAS: 10034-99-8	
heptahydrate			
Potassium Phosphate,	Fisher Bioreagents	Cat#BP362-500; CAS: ///8-//-0	
Potassium Phosphate dibasic	Fisher Chemical	Cat#P288-500: CAS: 7758-11-4	
powder			
Calcium Chloride	Sigma-Aldrich	Cat#C1016-500; CAS: 10043-52-4	
(anhydrous)			
Sodium Azide	Fisher Scientific	Cat#BP9221-500; CAS: 26628-22-8	
Ethanol	Fisher Chemical	Cat#A409-4; CAS: 64-17-4	
Arachidonic acid	NU-CHEK	Lot# U-71A-M31-B	
DGLA	TCI Chemicals	Cat#E0640; CAS:1783-84-2	
GLA	NU-CHEK	Lot#U-69A-D16-E	
LA	NU-CHEK	Lot#U-62A-O21-E	
EPA	NU-CHEK	Lot#U-99A-MA10-B	
Hexane	Fisher Chemical	Lot#176581; CAS: 110-54-3	
Acetic Acid	Fisher Scientific	Lot#193296; CAS: 64-19-7	
Acetonitrile	Fisher Chemical	Lot#195771; CAS: 75-05-8	
Chloroform	Acros Organic	Lot# B0541409A; CAS: 67-66-3	
Methanol	Fisher Chemical	Lot#195771; CAS: 67-56-1	
Acetone	Fisher Chemical	CAS: 67-64-1	

Deuterated standards used for oxylipin analysis.

Oxylipin standard name	Oxylipin standard abbreviation
6-keto prostaglandin $F_{1\alpha}$ -d4	6 -keto-PGF _{1α} -d4
5(S)-hydroxyeicosatetrenoic-d8 acid	5(S)-HETE-d8

8,9-epoxyeicosatrienoic-d11 acid	8,9-EET-d11
Arachidonic-d8 acid	AA-d8
15(S)-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic-d8 acid	15(S)-HETE-d8
Prostaglandin B ₂ -d4	PGB2-d4
8,9-dihydroxyeicosatrienoic-d11 acid	8,9-DiHETrE-d11
9(S)-hydroxyoctadecadienoic-d4 acid	9(S)-HODE-d4
Leukotriene B ₄ -d4	LTB4-d4
Prostaglandin E ₂ -d9	PGE2-d9

Organisms/Strains

STRAIN	SOURCE	STRAIN NAME
N2 Bristol	Caenorhabditis Genetics Center	N2
CB767 <i>bli-3(e767)</i> I	Caenorhabditis Genetics Center	CB767
GA912 ftn-1(ok3625) V	David Gems (Jennifer watts)	GA912
MT1522 <i>ced-3(n717)</i> IV	Caenorhabditis Genetics Center	MT1522
FX2100 gpx-1(tm2100)	National Bioresource Project	FX2100
BZ555 [egls1 [Pdat-1:gfp)]	Caenorhabditis Genetics Center	BZ555
EM641 (<i>Pcat-2::gfp</i>)	A gift from Scott W. Emmons	EM641
JKA76 [ced-3(n717); Pdat::gfp]	Generated in the lab of Jamie Alan	JKA76
JKA77 [bli-3(e767);Pdat-1::gfp]	Generated in the lab of Jamie Alan	JKA77
JKA78 [ftn-1(ok3625);Pdat-1::gfp]	Generated in the lab of Jamie Alan	JKA78
JKA79 [gpx-1(tm2100); Pdat::gfp]	Generated in the lab of Jamie Alan	JKA79

Software and Algorithms

Microsoft Excel	Microsoft Corporation	N/A
ImageJ	Rasband, W.S.	https://imagej.nih.gov/ij/
BioRender	BioRender	https://biorender.com/
GraphPad Prism 6	GraphPad Software, Inc.	https://www.graphpad.com/

2.1. C. elegans Strains and Maintenance

All nematode stocks were maintained on nematode growth media (NGM) plates seeded with bacteria (*E. coli* OP50) and maintained at 20°C unless otherwise noted.. N2 Bristol (wild-type), MT1522 *ced-3(n717)*, and CB767 *bli-3(e767)*. The BY250 (P*dat-1::gfp*) was a gift form Dr. Randy Blakely (Florida Atlantic University). The EM641 (*cat-2::gfp*) strain was a gift from Dr. Scott W. Emmons (Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, United States). The GA912 *ftn-1(ok3625)* strain was a gift from Dr. David Gems (University College London, London, UK). Table S2 shows all the strains used in this study.

The JKA 76 [*ced-3*(n717); *Pdat::gfp*], *JKA* 77 [*bli-3*(*e*767);*Pdat-1::gfp*], *and JKA* 78 [*ftn-1*(ok3625);*Pdat-1::gfp*], *and JKA* 79 [*gpx-1*(*tm2100*); *Pdat::gfp*]. strains were constructed using standard methods ¹.

2.2. Age synchronized worms:

The age-synchronized population was prepared by transferring specific numbers (depending on the experiments and required number of progeny) of healthy and well-fed Day 1 adult worms to a fresh nematode growth media (NGM) with OP50, as described in previously published protocol ². The adult worms were allowed to lay eggs for 6-10 hours. The laid eggs were isolated and allowed to hatch. About 36-48 hours later, plates were washed off with s-basal solution and transferred to a 40 μ m cell strainer placed on top of a 50 mL centrifuge tube. The large sized L4 larvae stick to the filter, whereas eggs, larva, bacteria carryover or possible contamination were passed through the filter. L4 larvae were then washed with 75-100 μ l of s-basal, transferred to a 1.7 ml centrifuge tube using a glass pipet, and spun at 325 x g on a table-top centrifuge for 30 s. The s-basal solution was removed by aspiration leaving behind a pellet of L4. Finally, L4 worms were resuspend in s-basal solution and transferred to the supplemented or control plates seeded with OP50.

During lifespan, every day the age synchronized population was filtered through a 40 μ m cell strainer placed on top of a 50 mL centrifuge tube. The progeny was collected in the filtrate and removed. The age-synchronized adult worms were removed from the surface of the cell strainer and placed on a freshly seeded NGM/supplemented plate. The filtration process was repeated every day during early adulthood of the age synchronized population to avoid any

contamination from the progeny, and to provide fresh supplementation for worm during their lifespan.

2.3. Fatty acid supplementation:

In order to supplement worms with fatty acids and/or their downstream metabolites, 10 ul of each compound at desired concentration was spread on the NGM plate, and then immediately seeded with 250-400 μ l E. *coli* OP50 (2.8 ×10⁸ cell/ml). The seeded plates were sealed with parafilm? and kept for 2 days at room temperature (20-23°C) and then transferred to the refrigerator to be used later. In all experiments in this study, the NGM solution plates were made using standard methods³.

2.4. Epoxide Hydrolase inhibitor supplementation:

For 12-(3-((3*s*,5*s*,7*s*)-adamantan-1-yl) ureido)dodecanoic acid (AUDA) supplementation, a 20 mM AUDA stock solution was prepared in ethanol, and then was added to NGM agar solution at 55-65 °C to reach the final concentration of 100 μ M before plating. Plates kept at room temperature for 1 day and then seeded by 250-400 ul *E. coli* OP50 (2.8 ×10⁸ cell/ml).

2.5. Supplementations for ferroptosis studies:

To study the possible role of DGLA and EEDs supplementation in ferroptosis, 10 μ l of 100 μ M of DGLA or EEDs was spread on NGM plates, followed by spreading 10 μ l of 100 μ M of liproxstatin-1 (Lip-1) solution in ethanol. Immediately after that, 250-400 μ l E. *coli* OP50 was plated and allowed to dry for two days. The plates were then either used immediately or kept in the fridge (4°C) for later use. The same procedure was used for the 2,2-bipyridine (BP) (100 μ M) and Trolox (500 μ M), For the control experiments, 10 μ l of ethanol solution was used.

2.6. Fluorescence microscopy imaging for tracking dopaminergic neurons.

In order to track neurodegeneration, age-synchronized worms with *dat-1::gfp* transcriptional fusions were used. The age-synchronized worms were analyzed based on a previously published protocol with some modifications⁴. First agarose gel pad were prepared as previously described. (For quantitative analyses of changes in DAergic neuron cell morphology, 20-25 worms were mounted on the layer of the agar pad and paralyzed with 5 mM NaN₃ for 5

minutes (Fig.15). Finally, a coverslip was placed onto an agar pad containing worms. A fluorescent microscope (Eclipse Ti2-E–Nikon) was used to image the worms and NIS-Elements software was used to analyze the data. All 8 DAergic neurons were analyzed in each worm. The ADE neurons were the ones with significant neurodegeneration with the treatment of DGLA and its downstream metabolites. Therefore, in all microscopic tests in this study, neurodegeneration refers to the absence of fluorescent signal in the ADE neurons. Worms with healthy ADE are those with both ADE cell bodies or processes that could be seen under fluorescent microscope. The same procedure was followed for dopaminergic neuron analyses using the *cat-2*::gfp (EM641).

2.7. Oxylipin Analysis:

2.7.1. Step 1: Collecting and freezing worm samples for oxylipin analysis

Oxylipins are a class of bioactive oxidized lipid metabolites derived from PUFAs via cyclooxygenase (COX), lipoxygenase (LOX), and cytochrome P450 (CYP) enzymatic pathways. To investigate the oxylipin profile in *C. elegans*, we collected about 5 mg of worms per trial to ensure that the whole worm lysates contain a sufficient concentration of oxylipins for detection. A sufficiently sized population of worms was generated using a minimum of 7 P100 plates with a diameter of 100 mm?, per trial. To generate 5 mg of whole worm lysates, we prepared approximately 2000-3000 worms (300-400 worms per plate). The age-synchronized population of worms was generated and maintained using the filtration method illustrated and described above. When a population of worms was ready for isolation and collection, the entire population of seven plates per trial was transferred and filtered using s-basal solution and a cell strainer with a pore size of 40 µm. The worms that collected on the surface of the cell strainer were transferred using a Pasteur pipet to an Eppendorf vial to avoid C. elegans from sticking on the wall of the pipet. The worms were rinsed with s-basal medium and centrifuged. The supernatant was collected and discarded. The worms were then washed four more times with s-basal medium to ensure that all bacteria and PUFA supplements were removed. After the bacteria and supplements were removed, the Eppendorf vials containing each worm sample were transferred to a benchtop centrifuge. The vials were centrifuged for 10 minutes at 10,000 rpm at 4°C. The supernatant was removed using 100 µL and 10 µL pipets. A 20 µL pipet with a long tip was pushed to the bottom of the vial to remove the liquid between the worms. Lastly, the standard filter paper was cut and inserted into the Eppendorf vials to remove any remaining liquid within the worm sample. After all liquid was

removed, the worm samples flash frozen using liquid nitrogen and stored in the -80°C freezer. Collection of worms for oxylipin and lipidomic analysis is illustrated in the Figure S10.



Figure S10. Worm sample preparation for oxylipin and analysis

2.7.2. <u>Step 2: Worm homogenization for oxylipin analysis</u>

Eppendorf vials containing worms were removed from -80°C storage. The weight of one 2 mL cryogenic homogenizer vial per trial was recorded. The worm samples were flash frozen using liquid nitrogen, and the frozen worm samples was broken loose using a 0.7 mm needle. The worm samples were transferred to the homogenizer vial and the weight was recorded. The weight of each vial with the worms was measured to determine the weight of worms used for each trial. Three homogenization beads were added to each homogenizer vial. Additionally, 100 μ L phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), 10 μ L of internal standard, consisting of 10 μ L deuterated oxylipins, and 10 μ L of antioxidants, consisting of ethylenediamine tetraacetic acid (EDTA) (1 mg/ml in water), butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT) (0.2 mg/ml in methanol), and triphenylphosphine (TPP) (0.2

mg/ml in Ethanol). The details of the deuterated oxylipin standards are shown in Table S4. Each homogenizer vial containing the worm samples was flash frozen using liquid nitrogen and then homogenized for five 30-second cycles at 5 M/s using an Omni bead ruptor 24 homogenizer. After homogenization, an additional 900 μ L of PBS was added to the homogenized sample. The sample was centrifuged using a benchtop centrifuge at 10,000 rpm for 5 minutes. The supernatant was collected and transferred to a new Eppendorf for solid phase extraction. The process of homogenization is illustrated in the Figure S11.



Figure S11. Worm homogenization for oxylipin analysis

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Arachidonic-d8 acid	AA-d8
15(S)-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic-d8 acid	15(S)-HETE-d8
Prostaglandin B ₂ -d4	PGB2-d4
8,9-dihydroxyeicosatrienoic-d11 acid	8,9-DiHETrE-d11
9(S)-hydroxyoctadecadienoic-d4 acid	9(S)-HODE-d4
Leukotriene B ₄ -d4	LTB4-d4
Prostaglandin E ₂ -d9	PGE2-d9

2.7.3. <u>Step 3: Solid phase extraction to isolate the oxylipins from the whole worm lysate</u> To isolate the oxylipins from the whole worm lysates solid phase extraction (SPE) (Waters Oasis-HLB cartridges, (Part No. WAT094226, Lot No. 176A30323A) was used. We used a polar stationary phase to trap the extremely polar biological material such as sugars. The oxylipins that we are isolating are significantly less polar in comparison. The SPE column was prepared by sequential washing with 2 mL ethyl acetate, 2 mL methanol twice, and 2 mL of 95:5 (v/v) mixture of water and methanol containing 0.1% acetic acid. The column was kept moist during preparation. The process of SPE column preparation is illustrated in the Figure S12.



Figure S12. Solid phase extraction column preparation

After the SPE column was prepared, the Eppendorf vials containing the homogenized samples were loaded onto the SPE column. After the column was loaded with the sample by gravity, 1.5 mL of the washing solution, 95:5 (v/v) mixture of water and ethanol with 0.1% acetic acid, was added to the column. The column was dried by gravity. Next, the column was thoroughly dried with a vacuum pump for 20 minutes. After thorough drying, the column was ready for elution. The process of loading the sample to the SPE column is illustrated in the Figure S13.



Figure S13. Loading the sample to the SPE column

After the column was loaded with the sample and completely dried, 0.5 mL of methanol was added to begin the elution step. Eluted compounds were collected to an Eppendorf vial containing 6 μ L of 30% glycerol in methanol, which serves as a trap solution. The column was allowed to gravity elute until the column appeared dry. A 5 mL syringe was filled with air and placed on the top of the SPE column to gently push the remaining solvent out of the column with air. Once the column was completely dry, 1 mL of ethyl acetate was added to the column. The solvent was allowed to gravity elute until the column appeared dry to the eye. The remaining solvent was again removed using a 5 mL syringe and gently pushing air through the column. The process of eluting is illustrated in the Figure S14.



Figure S14. Elution of oxylipins from SPE column.

Upon completion of SPE, the final extracted sample was dried using a speed-vac until the trap solution was all that remained. The residues were reconstituted with 100 μ L of 75% methanol/water containing 10nM of internal standard, 12-[(cyclohexylcarbamoyl)amino]dodecanoic acid (CUDA). The samples were then mixed on a vortex for five minutes and filtered with a 0.45 μ m filter. Lastly, the samples were transferred to auto-sampler vials with salinized inserts, purged with argon gas, and stored at -80°C until injection.

2.7.4. <u>Step 4: Oxylipin analysis using LC/MS-MS</u>

The LC conditions were optimized to separate all eicosanoids of interest with the desired peak shape and signal intensity using an XBridge BEH C18 2.1x150mm HPLC column. The mobile phase A comprised of 0.1% acetic acid in water. Mobile phase B consisted of acetonitrile: methanol (84:16) with 0.1% glacial acetic acid. Gradient elution was performed at a flow rate of 250 μ L /min. Chromatography was optimized to separate all analytes in 20 min. The autosampler, Waters ACQUITY FTN, was kept at 10°C. The column was connected to a TQXS tandem mass spectrometer (Waters) equipped with Waters Acquity SDS pump and Waters Acquity CM

detector. Electrospray was operated as ionization source for negative multiple reaction monitoring (MRM) mode. To generate the best selectivity and sensitivity, each analyte standards were infused into the mass spectrometer and multiple reaction monitoring was used to analyze the desired compound.

2.8. Synthesis of Diepoxyeicosaenoic acid (DiEEMe) and DLGA THF-diols

2.9.1. <u>General synthesis Methods</u>

Reactions using air-sensitive reagents were conducted under an inert atmosphere of argon. All purchased chemicals were used as received (without further purification). Dihomo-gamma linoleic acid (DGLA) was purchased from Nu-Chek-Prep. SiliCycle irregular silica gel p60 (60, 230-400 mesh) was used for column chromatography and AnalTech 250 micron silica gel plates were used for analytical thin layer chromatography and visualized using either vanillin or KMnO₄ stain. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were collected at 25°C on Carian Inova 500 MHz instrument and reported in parts per million (ppm) relative to the solvent resonances (δ), with coupling constants (J) in Hertz (Hz). High-resolution mass spectroscopy (HRMS) data was collected on a Waters Xevo G2-XS UPLC/MS/MS Quadrupole/Time-of-Flight instrument. High-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was performed on a Rainin HPXL instrument with a Dynamax Absorbance Detector Model UV-D detection system with a Zorbax Sil 9.4 mm x 25 cm column (5 micron particle size, 100 Angstrom pore size). Gas-chromotography/mass spectroscopy (GC/MS) was performed on an Agilent Technologies 7890A GC system with an Agilent Technologies 5975C inert XL EI/CI MSD Triple-Axis Detector, and Agilent HP-5ms Fused Silica Capillary Column with 0.25 micron film thickness, 30 m long, and 0.25 mm inner diameter.



Methyl dihomo-gamma linoleate (1.569 mmol, 0.500 grams, 1 equiv.) was dissolved in 40 mL of dichloromethane (DCM). Meta-chloroperbenzoic acid (*m*-CPBA) (3.296 mmol, 0.813 grams, 2.1 equiv.) was added followed by saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (40 mL) and the reaction was stirred vigorously under argon atmosphere at rt for 2 hours. Then, the organic layer was separated and collected. The aqueous phase was extracted with DCM (20 mL) for three times. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (3 x 15 mL), brine (1 x 15 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford a clear oil. The crude product was purified with column chromatography (5–10% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford **1a** – **1c** as a clear oil (mixture of regioisomers) (0.318 grams, 58% yield). HRMS (ES+): calculated C₂₁H₃₆O₄Na+ [M+Na]+ 375.2506 observed 375.2519. For ¹H and ¹³C NMR of mixture and separated fractions, see spectra below.[†] See characterization in Appendix.



DGLA diepoxides (1a - 1c) (0.902 mmol, 0.318 grams, 1 equiv.) was dissolved in 7.5 mL of aq. 5%

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HClO₄, THF, and H₂O (1:3:1) and stirred at rt under argon atmosphere overnight. Then, the reaction was cooled to 0°C and quenched with 15 mL of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃. The reaction was diluted with 25 mL of EtOAc, the layers separated and the organic layer was collected. The aqueous phase was extracted with 3 x 10 mL of EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (3 x 15 mL), brine (1 x 15 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product as a clear oil. Purification via column chromatography (50% EtOAc/Hexanes) gave 2 - 3 as a clear oil (mixture of structural and stereoisomers) (0.109 grams, 33% yield). HRMS (ES+): calculated C₂₁H₃₈O₅Na+ [M+Na]+ 393.2611 observed 393.2625. For ¹H and ¹³C NMR of mixture, see spectra below.[†] See characterization in Appendix.



Isomers of a mixture of DGLA diepoxides (1a–1c) were separated via HPLC (1% isopropanol/hexanes, 2 mL/min), giving 5 fractions((retention times, in minutes, were 18.6, 22.1, 23.8, 25.5, and 27.6 for fractions 1 – 5, respectively). Each fraction was subjected to ¹H and gCOSY NMR analysis (see pages 48 – 57 for ¹H NMR and gCOSY spectra), leading to identification of isomer (4) and showing that the HPLC separation yielded two diastereomeric pairs of isomers 2 & 3. Following acid hydrolysis of each isolated fraction, isomer 4 was confirmed with low resolution mass spectroscopy (LRMS).

To prepare samples for GC/MS analysis, each of the other 4 fractions were individually dissolved in 1 mL of THF and incubated with 15 equivalents of N,O-Bis(trimethylsilyl)trifluoroacetamide (BSTFA) and pyridine at 60°C for 30 minutes. The samples were dried under a stream of nitrogen, resuspended in DCM, and analyzed via GC/MS. Unique fragmentation patterns then successfully identified isomers **2** and **3** (see HPLC trace and GC/MS data, pages 62 – 70). Once the peaks (F1 – F5, see HPLC trace) were identified, relative ratios were determined by taking the total area of each diastereomeric isomer pair divided by the total area of all peaks (F1 - F5) obtained on HPLC trace.



Methyl dihomo-gamma linoleate (3.112 mmol, 1.000 grams, 1 equiv.) was dissolved in DCM (80 mL). Meta-chloroperbenzoic acid (*m*-CPBA) (3.423 mmol, 0.767 grams, 1.1 equiv.) was added followed by saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (80 mL) and the reaction stirred vigorously under argon atmosphere at room temperature for 1 hour. Then, the layers were separated, and the aqueous phase extracted with DCM (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (3 x 15 mL), brine (1 x 15 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford a clear oil. The crude product was purified with column chromatography (5–10% EtOAc/Hexanes) to afford 5a - 5c as a clear oil (mixture of regioisomers,0.513 grams, 49% yield). Product 5a - 5c was carried forward without further characterization.



A mixture of **5a–5c** (0.200 g, 0.598 mmol) was diluted in anhydrous DMF (2 mL) and added to dry cesium propionate (0.621 g, 2.98 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) in a sealable tube. The tube was flushed with argon, sealed, and heated to 120 °C for 68 h. The mixture was cooled, poured into

 H_2O (20 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL). The organic phase was washed with 5% NaCl (2 x 50 mL) and saturated aqueous NaCl (50 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (CombiFlash® Rf+ Lumen) (25 g SiO₂ cartridge, 0 – 50% EtOAc/Hexanes) to yield the EED propionate intermediate as a pale-yellow syrup (0.220 g, 90%) after drying in vacuo (See Table 5 for solvent gradient used for EEDs Methyl ester).

Duration	%B	Solvent	Solvent B
(minutes)		А	
0.0	0.0	Hexane	Ethyl Acetate
2.0	0.0	Hexane	Ethyl Acetate
7.0	5.0	Hexane	Ethyl Acetate
10.0	10.0	Hexane	Ethyl Acetate
5.0	12.0	Hexane	Ethyl Acetate
8.0	50.0	Hexane	Ethyl Acetate
3.0	0.0	Hexane	Ethyl Acetate

 Table 5. Solvent gradient for EEDs methyl ester separation.

The mixture of EED propionates was then diluted in THF/H₂O (5.5/1.4 mL) and cooled to 0°C under argon. LiOH (1.21 mL of a 2 M solution in H₂O, 2.42 mmol) was added, and the mixture was warmed to rt and stirred overnight. The mixture was then quenched by the dropwise addition of formic acid, until the pH of the mixture was approximately 4. H₂O and EtOAc (10 mL each) were then added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (4 x 10 mL) and the organic phase was washed with saturated aqueous NaCl (40 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated, and azeotroped with hexanes (3 x 20 mL) to remove residual formic acid. The residue was then purified by flash column chromatography (25 g SiO₂ cartridge, 40 - 75%EtOAc/Hexanes) to yield the DGLA diol mixture 6a – 6c (0.119 grams, 65% yield). Regioisomers were separated via HPLC with [CONDITIONS]. 6a; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 5.57 – 5.28 (m, 4H), $\delta 3.50 - 3.44$ (m, 2H), $\delta 2.80$ (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), $\delta 2.34 - 2.29$ (m, 2H), $\delta 2.04$ (q, J = 7.2Hz, 2H), δ 1.66 – 1.60 (m, 2H), δ 1.49 – 1.23 (m, 12H), δ 0.88 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): 8 179.4, 131.8, 130.9, 127.4, 125.1, 74.0, 74.0, 34.1, 33.6, 31.7, 31.6, 29.4, 29.3, 29.1, 27.4, 25.9, 25.5, 24.7, 22.7, 14.2. **6b**; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 5.59 – 5.39 (m, 4H), δ 3.54 -3.51 (m, 2H), $\delta 2.35 - 2.26$ (m, 6H), $\delta 2.07 - 2.03$ (m, 4H), $\delta 1.66 - 1.60$ (m, 2H), $\delta 1.39 - 1.24$ (m, 12H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 179.2, 133.8, 133.4, 125.0, 124.7, 73.5, 73.4, 34.0, 31.9, 31.9, 31.7, 29.4, 29.3, 28.9, 28.8, 27.5, 27.3, 24.7, 22.7, 14.2. **6c**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 5.57 – 5.31 (m, 4H), δ 3.52 – 3.47 (m, 2H), δ 2.82 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), δ 2.36 – 2.31 (m, 4H), δ 2.07 – 2.03 (m, 2H), δ 1.65 – 1.60 (m, 2H), δ 1.53 – 1.46 (m, 2H), δ 1.40 – 1.25 (m, 12H), δ 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).



2.9.7. <u>Synthesis of epoxyeicosadienoic acid (EEDs)(7a–7c):</u>

Each separated isomer 5a-5c was individually subjected to the following conditions: The methyl ester (0.0891 mmol, 0.0300 g, 1.00 equiv.) was added to a 5 mL round bottom flask with a stir bar and diluted with 0.750 mL of THF/H₂O (5:1). To this solution was added LiOH \cdot H₂O (0.267 mmol, 0.00640 g, 3 equiv.) and allowed to stir under argon atmosphere overnight. Then, the pH was adjusted to 4 with formic acid, diluted with water and EtOAc, and added to a separatory funnel. The aqueous layer was extracted with 4 x 5 mL of EtOAc, the combined organic layer washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was azeotroped with 4 x 10 mL of hexanes to remove any remaining formic acid. The crude product was purified via column chromatography (1/1 hexanes/EtOAc, 1% formic acid) to give the products as clear oils. 7a; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 5.53 – 5.29 (m, 4H), δ 2.97 – 2.91 (m, 2H), δ 2.80 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), δ 2.43 – 2.34 (m, 3H), δ 2.24 – 2.19 (m, 1H), 2.05 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), δ 1.68 – 1.62 (m, 2H), δ 1.57 - 1.24 (m, 14H), $\delta 0.89$ (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): $\delta 179.4$, 131.0, 130.9, 127.3, 124.2, 57.3, 56.6, 34.0, 31.7, 29.4, 29.3, 29.1, 27.8, 27.4, 26.6, 26.4, 26.0, 24.7, 22.7, 14.2. **7b**; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 5.56 – 5.39 (m, 4H), δ 2.97 – 2.93 (m, 2H), δ 2.44 – 2.38 (m, 2H), δ 2.34 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), δ 2.24 – 2.18 (m, 2H), δ 2.07 – 2.03 (m, 4H), δ 1.66 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.40 - 1.24 (m, 14H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 179.5, 133.0, 132.7, 124.1, 123.8, 56.7, 56.7, 34.0, 31.6, 29.4, 29.4, 29.1, 29.0, 27.6, 27.5, 26.3, 24.7, 22.7, 14.2. 7c; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 5.53 – 5.31 (m, 4H), δ 2.98 – 2.93 (m, 2H), δ 2.8 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), $\delta 2.44 - 2.39$ (m, 1H), $\delta 2.35$ (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), $\delta 2.24 - 2.19$ (m, 1H), $\delta 2.07 - 2.03$ (m, 2H), $\delta 1.66 - 1.61$ (m, 2H), $\delta 1.57 - 1.25$ (m, 14H), $\delta 0.89$ (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C (CDCl₃, 125)

MHz): δ 179.0, 130.9, 130.6, 127.5, 124.3, 57.5, 56.7, 34.0, 31.9, 29.5, 29.0, 29.0, 27.8, 27.3, 26.4, 26.4, 26.0, 24.8, 22.7, 14.2.

[†] Compounds were used as mixtures for biological testing. The LC/UV-vis and LC/MS/MS oxylipin analysis was used to confirm the mixture of regioisomer and the purity of the compound Figure S16 shows the different regioisomers ratio in EEDs and DHEDs supplementation used in this study. Confirmation of desired structure was done by examining ratio of integrations of alkene protons (\sim 5 – 6 ppm) to the methyl ester (\sim 3.6 ppm) on ¹H NMR. HRMS was also done to ensure desired mass. Separations and characterization were performed to determine relative percentages of each isomer in mixture used for biological testing.



Figure S16. The different regioisomers ratio in EEDs and DHEDs supplementation used in this study.

2.9.8. <u>Synthesis of 12-(3-((3s,5s,7s)-adamantan-1-yl)ureido)dodecanoic acid (AUDA):</u>



The synthesis followed published procedure ⁵. To a suspension of 12-aminododecanoic acid (1g, FW = 215.33, 95% purity, 4.4 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (100 mL), 1-adamantyl isocyanate (0.782 g, FW = 177.24, 97%, 4.28 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was heated at 80 °C. The reaction was monitored by TLC until all the isocyanate is consumed. The reaction mixture was then cooled down to room temperature and the solid product was filtered. The solid paste was further triturated and washed with hexane (100 mL). The isolated solid product was dried in vacuum overnight to afford final compound as a white solid in 69 % yield (1.2 g, FW = 392.58, 3.1 mmol)

¹H NMR (500 MHz, dmso-d₆): δ 11.97 (br, 1H), 5.59 (t, *J* = 5 *Hz*, 1H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 2.89 (q, *J* = 5 *Hz*, 2H), 2.18 (t, *J* = 5 *Hz*, 2H), 1.95-2.00 (m, 3H), 1.80-1.86 (m, 6H), 1.54-1.63 (m, 6H), 1.43-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.25-1.35 (m, 2H), 1.17-1.27 (m, 14H)

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, dmso-d₆): δ 174.53, 157.06, 49.32, 42.07, 38.76, 36.17, 33.69, 30.06, 29.08, 28.99, 28.97, 28.84, 28.81, 28.60, 26.46, 24.54



3. Appendix: Characterization of Synthesized molecules





















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	31.698	N4	377	5591	0.099
	31.915	N5	60	107	0.001
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