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Supplementary Figures

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Supplementary Fig. 1. Comparison of free fatty acid profiles of WT and *acdh-11(n5878) C. elegans.*

 Volcano plot for 85 fatty acids detected by HPLC-HRMS (negative ion, post-column ion pairing) in the *endo-*metabolomes of WT and *acdh-11(n5878)* mutant *C. elegans* fed BW25113 (WT) *E. coli*. *P-*values were calculated by unpaired, two-sided Welch's t-test; no adjustments were made for multiple comparisons. The most significantly enriched free fatty acid in *acdh-11* mutants is becyp#1; additional cyclopropane-containing medium chain fatty acids are also enriched in *acdh-11* mutants relative to WT *C. elegans*. Several PUFAs were depleted in *acdh-11* relative to WT, e.g., eicosapentaenoic acid (20:5), likely due to reduced growth of these animals when reared on WT *E. coli*. This data is also displayed as part of **Fig. 2C**.

Supplementary Fig. 2. Cyclopropane fatty acids are incorporated into host lipids.

A) EICs for *m/z* 508.3398, corresponding to lysophosphatidylcholine (LPC) isomers bearing a

43 singly unsaturated C₁₇ acyl group (17:1) with formula C₂₅H₅₁NO₇P⁺, in extracts of WT and *acdh*-

11(5878) mixed-stage cultures reared on WT *E. coli* or *E. coli* Δ*cfa*, as indicated. The feature

marked with an arrow is present in animals reared on WT *E. coli* but absent from animals reared

on *E. coli* Δ*cfa.*

 B) MS/MS spectrum (positive ion mode) of LPC-17:1 with major fragmentation reactions and product ions.

- **C)** EICs for *m/z* 598.2998, corresponding to *N*-acyl glycoglycerophosphoethanolamine (GLEA)
- 50 bearing a singly unsaturated C_{15} acyl group (15:1) with formula $C_{26}H_{49}NO_{12}P$, in extracts of WT
- and *acdh-11(5878)* mixed-stage cultures reared on WT *E. coli* or *E. coli* Δ*cfa*, as indicated.
- GLEA-15:1 is abundant in animals reared on WT *E. coli* but absent from animals reared on *E.*
- 53 *coli Δcfa.* Structure proposal based on previous characterization of GLEA⁴⁷.
- **D)** MS/MS spectrum (negative ion mode) of GLEA-15:1 with major fragmentation reactions and product ions.
- 56 **E)** EICs for m/z 542.2372, corresponding to GLEA bearing a singly unsaturated C₁₁ acyl group
- (11:1, becyp#1) with formula C22H41NO12P- , in extracts of WT and *acdh-11(5878)* mixed-stage
- cultures reared on WT *E. coli* or *E. coli* Δ*cfa*, as indicated. GLEA-becyp#1 is abundant in *acdh-*
- *11(n5878)* mutants reared on WT *E. coli*.
- **F)** MS/MS spectrum (negative ion mode) of GLEA-becyp#1 with major fragmentation reactions and product ions.
- **G)** Volcano plots for 85 fatty acids detected by HPLC-HRMS (negative ion, post-column ion
- pairing) in the *endo-*metabolomes of WT or *acdh-11(n5878)* mutant *C. elegans* fed WT *E. coli*
- as compared to Δ*cfa E. coli*. *P-*values were calculated by unpaired, two-sided Welch's t-test; no
- adjustments were made for multiple comparisons. Odd-chain singly unsaturated fatty acids
- containing the cyclopropane moiety were detected only in animals fed WT *E. coli*, and becyp#1
- was enriched only in *acdh-11(n5878)*. Vaccenic (18:1n7) and palmitoleic acid (16:1n7) were
- 68 increased in animals reared on Δ*cfa E. coli*, consistent with a previous report⁴⁸. In addition, a
- specific subset of PUFAs was enriched in animals fed Δ*cfa E. coli*, e.g., 18:5 and 22:6, some of
- which have been previously observed in fatty acid desaturation mutants that accumulate
- 71 palmitoleic acid.

 Supplementary Fig. 3. FAT-7::GFP expression in eggs of *acdh-11* **mutants is dependent on parental diet.**

A) Representative brightfield and fluorescence micrographs of eggs of *acdh-11(n5878);Pfat-7::fat-*

7::GFP mutants reared on BW25113 (WT) or JW1653-1 (Δ*cfa*) *E. coli* for four generations at 20

°C. The scale bar represents 0.05 mm. Six independent experiments were performed.

B) Representative brightfield and fluorescence micrographs of eggs of *acdh-11(n5878);Pfat-7::fat-*

7::GFP mutants reared on BW25113 (WT) or JW1653-1 (Δ*cfa*) *E. coli* for four generations, then

80 switched to the other bacterial diet, maintained at 20 °C. Eggs and larvae had high levels of FAT-

7::GFP when the parental generation was reared on WT *E. coli*. The scale bar represents 0.05

mm. Three independent experiments were performed.

Supplementary Fig. 4. Supplementation with lactobacillic acid (LBA) restores βCPFAs.

 A) EICs for *m/z* 199.1340, corresponding to becyp#2, bemeth#2, and structural isomers of 86 C₁₁H₁₉O₃, in extracts of WT and *acdh-11(n5878)* mixed-stage cultures reared on WT *E. coli, E. coli* Δ*cfa* supplemented with 20 μM LBA (see **Fig. 2**), or *E. coli* Δ*cfa*, as indicated. becyp#2 is strongly enriched in *acdh-11* mutants fed WT *E. coli*, abolished in animals fed *E. coli* Δ*cfa*, and partially restored in animals fed *E. coli* Δ*cfa* supplemented with 20 μM LBA, whereas bemeth#2 is unaffected. An unknown isomer is marked with an asterisk. Y-axes are scaled as indicated to clearly show traces.

 B) EICs for *m/z* 213.1123, corresponding to becyp#4, bemeth#321, and structural isomers of 93 C₁₁H₁₇O₄, in extracts of WT and *acdh-11(n5878)* mixed-stage cultures reared on the same diets as above. Levels of becyp#4 are partially restored by feeding LBA, whereas bemeth#321 is unaffected. An unknown isomer is marked with an asterisk. Y-axes are scaled as indicated to clearly show traces.

 Supplementary Fig. 5. FAT-7::GFP is not induced in *hacl-1* **mutants nor following supplementation with bemeth#2.**

 A) Representative brightfield and GFP fluorescence micrographs of *Pfat-7:fat-7::GFP* and *hacl- 1(tm6725);Pfat-7:fat-7::GFP* adults reared at 25 °C supplemented with vehicle (0.5% ethanol), bemeth#1, or bemeth#2, as indicated. Scale bar represents 0.1 mm. Supplementation with bemeth#2 does not cause overt changes in the abundance of FAT-7::GFP in either genotype. Four independent experiments were performed.

 B) Chemical structures of bemeth#1 and its α-hydroxylated derivative, bemeth#2. Several α-hydroxylated βMFAs accumulate in *hacl-1* mutants but do not cause increased *fat-7* expression.

Supplementary Fig. 6. bemeth#1 supplement does not change FAT-6::GFP.

Representative brightfield and fluorescence micrographs of P*fat-6*::*fat-6::GFP* animals reared on

BW25113 (WT), JW1653-1 (Δ*cfa*), or JW1653-1 *E. coli* supplemented with 100 μM bemeth#1. No

FAT-6::GFP induction was observed under supplementation conditions. The scale bar represents

0.1 mm. Three independent experiments were performed.

114 **Supplementary Fig. 7. D3-methyl is incorporated in βMFAs.**

115 **A**) EICs for m/z 215.1289 and 218.1477, corresponding to $C_{11}H_{19}O_4$ and $D_3-C_{11}H_{16}O_4$, from exo-

116 metabolome extracts of *hacl-1(tm6725)* larvae supplemented with methionine (Met) or D₃-methyl-

117 methionine (D_3 -Met). Red dashed lines highlight bemeth#3 stereoisomers with D_3 -enrichment. EIC

118 Y-axis for *m/z* 218.1477 is scaled 50-fold to clearly show traces for labeled features. Asterisks

119 mark unrelated features present in both Met- and D_3 -Met-supplemented samples.

B) EICs for *m/z* 183.1391 and 186.1579, corresponding to C₁₁H₁₉O₂ and D₃-C₁₁H₁₆O₂, from *endo*- metabolome extracts of *hacl-1(tm6725)* larvae supplemented with Met or D3-Met. Under these chromatographic conditions, bemeth#1 elutes as a shoulder of an unidentified isobaric compound 123 (undecenoic acid). Blue box highlights D_3 -enrichment in later-eluting bemeth#1, which was resolved from the earlier metabolite via method optimization (see **Fig. 3B**).

Supplementary Fig. 8. βMFAs are detected in *C. briggsae***.**

127 EICs for *m/z* 215.1289, corresponding to bemeth#3 and isomers of C₁₁H₁₉O₄, in extracts of hacl-

 1(tm6725), N2 (WT), *fcmt-1(gk155709)*, and *fcmt-1(tm2382)*, as well as in independently grown *C. elegans* and *C. briggsae* cultures, as indicated. bemeth#3 and its stereoisomer (bemeth#32) are marked with arrows and detected in *C. elegans* and *C. briggsae*, enriched in *hacl-1* but not detected in *fcmt-1* mutants. An unrelated FCMT-1-independent isomer is marked with an asterisk (*). Additional minor isomers in *C. elegans* are marked with arrowheads. Y-axes are scaled as

indicated to clearly show traces.

Supplementary Fig. 9. Isotopic enrichment from *cis-***D13-vaccenic acid supplement**

A) Proposed biosynthesis of bemeth#1 based on isotopically labeled D₁₃-VA feeding experiment (see **Fig. 5B**). The number of deuterium atoms on each carbon is labeled green. Methyl transfer results in abstraction of one deuterium atom (highlighted with green arrow) and distal oxidation (highlighted with green arrow) results in metabolites with a diagnostic number of deuterium atoms remaining.

 B) EICs for *m/z* 229.1082 and 238.1648, corresponding to bemeth#4 and D9-bemeth#4, respectively, in extracts of *hacl-1* mixed-stage cultures supplemented with D13-*cis*- or D13-*trans*- VA. Oxidation of the ω-carbon results in the loss of three additional deuterium atoms, for a total loss of four deuterium atoms and a diagnostic isotope label. Y-axis for *m/z* 238.1648 is scaled 8- 145 fold to clearly show traces for labelled features.

146 C) EIC for m/z 286.1660, corresponding to $C_{14}H_{25}NO_5$, in extract of N2 (WT) mixed-stage culture 147 supplemented with D₁₃-cis-VA. Earlier eluting isomers are D₁₁-enriched (bemeth#73-75), whereas 148 later eluting isomers are D_{12} -enriched (bemeth#7, bemeth#72). Representative structures proposed based on isotope labeling and MS/MS fragmentation.

Supplementary Fig. 10. FAT-7::GFP induction is independent of *hlh-30* **and** *nhr-66***.**

 A) Representative brightfield and fluorescence micrographs of P*fat-7*::*fat-7::GFP* animals reared on HT115 expressing *hlh-30* or *nhr-66* RNAi and supplemented with vehicle only (0.5% ethanol), 75 μM bemeth#1, or 75 μM becyp#1. Animals were supplemented in parallel with animals reared on HT115 expressing L4440 (vector control), see **Fig. 5**. Scale bar represents 0.1 mm. Five independent experiments were performed.

Supplementary Fig. 11. Unique metabolites enriched in *fcmt-1(tm2382)*

 A) Volcano plot for subset of features detected by HPLC-MS (negative ion) in the *exo*-metabolome of *fcmt-1(tm2382)* relative to wildtype (N2) control. *P-*values were calculated by unpaired, two- sided Welch's t-test; no adjustments were made for multiple comparisons. Red points represent *m/z* 150.0421, including isotopes and adducts, corresponding to guanine; blue points represent *m/z* 135.0312, corresponding to hypoxanthine. Both metabolites were confirmed by commercial standards.

 B) Representative EICs for *m/z* 150.0421, corresponding to guanine, in *exo*-metabolome extracts of synchronized adult N2 (WT), *hacl-1(tm6725), fcmt-1(gk155709),* and *fcmt-1(tm2382)* animals, or from extract of *E. coli* OP50 only (bacterial diet).

 C) Representative EICs for *m/z* 135.0312, corresponding to hypoxanthine, in *exo*-metabolome extracts of synchronized adult N2 (WT), *hacl-1(tm6725), fcmt-1(gk155709),* and *fcmt-1(tm2382)* animals, or from extract of *E. coli* OP50 only (bacterial diet).

Supplementary Methods

General synthetic procedures.

 Unless stated otherwise, all reactions were carried out under argon (Ar) atmosphere in flame-dried glassware. All commercially available reagents were used as purchased unless otherwise stated. All solvents were dried over activated 3Å molecular sieves for a minimum of 24 hours unless used in reactions containing aqueous reagents. Solutions and solvents sensitive to moisture and oxygen were transferred via standard syringe and cannula techniques. Reactions were cooled with ice-water or dry ice-acetone baths or heated with mineral oil baths depending on reaction temperature. Titanium (IV) isopropoxide was distilled under vacuum and stored under argon. Thin- layer chromatography (TLC) was performed with J.T. Baker Silica Gell IB2-F plastic-backed plates with analysis via UV and p-anisaldehyde stain. Flash chromatography was performed using Teledyne ISCO CombiFlash Rf and Rf+ systems with Teledyne ISCO RediSep Rf and Rf Gold silica columns. All deuterated solvents were purchased from Cambridge Isotopes. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded on a Varian INOVA 600 (600 MHz) or Bruker 186 AV 500 (500 MHz) in the Cornell University NMR Facility. ¹H NMR chemical shifts are reported in 187 ppm (δ) relative to the residual solvent peaks (7.26 ppm for CDCl₃ and 3.31 ppm for CD₃OD) and $13C$ NMR shifts relative to their respective residual solvent peaks (77.16 for CDCI₃ and 49.00 for 189 CD₃OD). NMR-spectroscopic data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, 190 d = doublet, t = triplet, $q =$ quartet, $m =$ multiplet, $br =$ broad), coupling constants (Hz), and integration and often tabulated including 2D NMR data. All NMR data processing was done using MNOVA 12.0.1 [\(https://mestrelab.com/\)](https://mestrelab.com/).

 *cis-***3,4-methylenedecanoic acid, becyp#1.** From an 8:1 cis:trans solution of **1** (40 mg, 0.256 197 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) in 1.5 mL DCM was added $Zn(Et)$ ₂ (1M in hexanes, 1.28 mL, 1.28 mmol, 5.00 198 equiv.). The solution was cooled to 0 °C followed by the addition of $CH₂I₂$ (102 µL, 1.28 mmol, 5.00 equiv.). The resulting suspension was allowed to reach room temp with stirring and remained at room temp. overnight. The yellow mixture was directly purified via flash column chromatography on silica gel using a gradient of 5-100% EtOAc in hexanes, affording cyclopropyl alcohol intermediate (**2**, 40 mg) with some uncharacterized impurities. To a solution of the cyclopropyl alcohol intermediate (**2**, 10 mg) in 1 mL of acetone at 0 ˚C was added 6 drops of freshly prepared 204 Jones reagent (enough to maintain an orange color). The solution was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hr and then directly purified via flash column chromatography on silica gel using a gradient of 5-100% EtOAc in hexanes, affording becyp#1 (8 mg, 69% over two steps) as a colorless oil, determined as a mixture of 8:1 *cis : trans* isomers. 208 **¹ H NMR (600 MHz, chloroform-***d***):** δ 2.42 (dd, *J* = 16.6, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (dd, *J* = 16.6, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.44 – 1.20 (m, 10H), 1.15 (m, 1H), 1.09 (m, 1H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.74 (td, *J* = 8.4,

210 4.6 Hz, 1H), -0.11 (q, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H). These chemical shifts were nearly identical to those

211 previously reported¹.

212 **13C NMR (126 MHz, chloroform-***d***):** δ 180.1, 33.8, 32.2, 30.0, 29.4, 28.9, 22.8, 15.6, 14.2, 11.3, 213 11.

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 *(E)***-4-Hydroxy-non-2-ene (5).** *n*-Pentylmagnesium bromide (**3**, 10 mL, 20 mmol in THF) was added to a diethyl ether (20mL) at 0 °C under an argon atmosphere. Crotonaldehyde (**4**, 1.66 mL, 20 mmol) was added to the stirring solution over 10 minutes via an addition funnel and 218 stirred for one hour. The reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NH4Cl (20 mL) and 219 extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL). The combined organics were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting liquid was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel. Elution with a gradient of 0-20% EtOAc/Hexanes gave the resulting alcohol (**5**) (2.61 α , 92%) as a colorless liquid².

223 **1H NMR (CDCl3, 500 MHz):** δ (ppm) 5.65 (dqd 15.3, 6.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.48 (ddq 15.3, 7.7, 1.5 224 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (q, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 1.70 (dd 6.5, 1.3 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.58 (m, 9H), 0.89 (t, 6.8 Hz, 3H). 225 **13C NMR (CDCl3, 125 MHz):** δ (ppm) 134.5, 126.9, 73.4, 37.4, 31.9, 25.3, 22.8, 17.8, 14.2.

(2) (ESI) *m/z*: Calculated: (M+H)⁺ 143.1430. Actual: 143.1428 Δ ppm: -1.64

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 *(S,E)***-4-Hydroxy-non-2-ene (***(S)***-5).** *(-)*-Diisopropyl D-tartrate (183 μL, 0.88 mmol) was added to 229 a suspension of powdered 4 Å molecular sieves (0.4 g) in DCM (21 mL) at ambient temperature 230 under an argon atmosphere. The solution was cooled to -20 °C and titanium (IV) isopropoxide (212 μL, 0.7 mmol) was added. The solution was stirred for one hour and *tert*-butylhydroperoxide (382 μL, 2.1 mmol in decane) added. The solution was further stirred for 30 minutes and cooled to -40 °C, upon which racemic *(E)*-4-hydroxy-non-2-ene (**5**) (3.5 mL, 3.5 mmol in DCM) was added dropwise. After 20 hours the reaction was quenched with *(-)*-diisopropyl D-tartrate (366 µL, 1.75 235 mmol) in water (7 mL). The layers were separated, and the aqueous solution extracted with Et_2O $(3×20 \text{ mL})$. The combined organics were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, dried over 237 MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting liquid was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel as above, yielding chiral alcohol *(S)*-**5** (236 mg, 94%) as a $$ colorless liquid³. Enantiomeric excess was determined to be up to 88% by Mosher derivatization⁴. All NMR spectra and mass spectrometric data are identical to racemic alcohol (**5**).

 *(S,E)***-4-(Vinyloxy)-non-2-ene (***(S)***-6).** *(S,E)*-4-Hydroxy-non-2-ene (*(S)*-**5**, 307 mg, 2.16 mmol) was added to ethyl vinyl ether (5.75 mL, 60.5 mmol) at ambient temperature under an argon 243 atmosphere. Mercury (II) acetate (688 mg, 2.16 mmol) was added to the solution⁵. After two hours AcOH (302 μL) was added with stirring. After 30 minutes the reaction was diluted with hexanes (45 mL) and washed with 5% aqueous KOH (4.5 mL). The organics were dried over 246 MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting liquid was purified by flash chromatography on alumina. Elution with a gradient of 0-10% EtOAc/Hexanes yielded vinyl ether (*(S)*-**6**, 178 mg, 76% BRSM) as a colorless liquid.

 1H NMR (CDCl3, 500 MHz) δ (ppm) 6.31 (dd, 14.1, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.65 (dqd 15.3, 6.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (ddq, 15.3, 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (dd, 14.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (q, 7 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (dd, 6.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 1.71 (dd, 6.5, 1.4 Hz, 3H), 1.61-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.46-1.54 (m, 1H), 1.23-1.40 (m, 6H), 0.88 (t, 6.8 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR (CDCl3, 125 MHz)** δ (ppm) 151.0, 131.4, 128.7, 88.4, 81.2, 35.3, 31.8, 25.0, 22.7, 17.9, 14.2. **HRMS (ESI)** *m/z***:** Calculated: (M+H)+ 169.1587 (M+Na)+ 191.1406. Actual: 169.1584 Δ ppm: -

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 *(R,E)***-3-Methyl-dec-4-enal (***(R)***-7).** Vinyl ether (*(S)*-**6**, 107 mg, 0.64 mmol) was added to toluene (5 mL) and stirred with condenser at reflux under an argon atmosphere. After 23 hours the reaction was concentrated to yield aldehyde (*(R)*-**7**, 100 mg, 93%) as a colorless liquid which was 261 used without purification $5-7$.

1H NMR (CDCl3, 500 MHz) δ (ppm) 9.72 (t, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (dtd, 15.4, 6.6, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.34

(ddt, 15.4, 7.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (m, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (ddd, 16.0, 7.3, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (ddd, 16.0,

6.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (q, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.21-1.37 (m, 6H), 1.06 (d, 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (t, 7.0 Hz, 3H).

13C NMR (CDCl3, 125 MHz) δ (ppm) 203.0, 133.9, 130.2, 50.7, 32.6, 31.8, 31.5, 29.3, 22.7, 20.9,

14.2.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z***:** Calculated: (M+Na)+ 191.1406. Actual: 191.1411 Δ ppm: 2.49

 *(R,E)***-3-Methyl-dec-4-enoic acid,** *(R)***-bemeth#1.** Aldehyde (*(R)*-**13**, 53 mg, 0.32 mmol) was dissolved in DMSO (1.1 mL) and stirred under ambient atmosphere. Sodium chlorite (40 mg, 0.35 271 mmol) was dissolved in minimal water and the pH adjusted to \sim 4.5 with NaH₂PO₄. The aqueous solution was added to the aldehyde and the reaction stirred in an open atmosphere. After 30 minutes, more sodium chlorite was added to the reaction (20 mg, 0.18 mmol) dissolved in water

and buffered as above. After 45 minutes the reaction was diluted with water (2 mL) and extracted

275 with EtOAc (3×2 mL). The combined organics were dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated

- under reduced pressure. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel.
- Elution with a gradient of 0-20% EtOAc(0.1% AcOH)/hexanes yielded *(R)*-bemeth#1 (**4**, 44 mg,
- 76%) as a colorless oil. Enantiomeric excess was determined to be 65% by 2,2,2- trifluoro-1-
- phenethylamine derivatization and subsequent analysis by UHPLC-MS.
- **1H NMR (CDCl3, 500 MHz)** δ (ppm) 5.45 (dtd, 15.4, 6.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.33, ddt, 15.3, 7.2, 1.3,
- 1H), 2.63 (m, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (dd, 14.9, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (dd, 14.9, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.96 (q, 7.0,
- 2H), 1.21-1.36 (m, 6H), 1.05 (d, 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (t, 6.9 Hz, 3H).
- **13C NMR (CDCl3, 125 MHz)** δ (ppm) 178.8, 133.7, 1.0.1, 41.8, 33.5, 32.6, 34.4, 29.3, 22.7, 20.5, 14.2.
- **HRMS (ESI)** *m/z***:** Calculated: (M-H)- 183.1391. Actual: 183.1383. Δ ppm: -4.16.
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*(S,E)***-3-Methyl-dec-4-enoic acid,** *(S)***-bemeth#1.** Following Sharpless resolution using *(+)*-

Diisopropyl L-tartrate, parallel reactions yielded *(S)*-bemeth#1 with identical physical and

spectroscopic properties.

 Methyl-*(R, E)***-3-methyl-dec-4-enoate (***(R)***-8).** Trimethylsilyldiazomethane (1.2 mL, 0.72 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of *(R)*-bemeth#1 in DCM (3 mL) and MeOH (3 mL). After stirring for 15 minutes, the reaction was concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel. Elution with a gradient of 0- 10% EtOAc/hexanes yielded methyl ester (*(R)*-**8**, 42 mg, 89%) as a colorless oil. **¹ H NMR (CDCl3, 500 MHz)** δ (ppm) 5.42 (dtd, 15.3, 6.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (ddt, 15.3, 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.61 (m, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (dd, 14.7, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (dd, 14.7, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (q, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.21-1.35 (m, 6H), 1.02 (d, 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.87 (t, 6.9 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR (CDCl3, 125 MHz)** δ (ppm) 173.3, 134.0, 129.8, 51.5, 42.0, 33.8, 32.6, 31.4, 29.3, 22.7, 20.6, 14. **HRMS (ESI)** *m/z***:** Calculated: (M+H)+ 199.1693. Actual: 199.1690. Δ ppm: -1.49.

 Methyl-*(2R,3S,E)***-2-hydroxy-3-methyl-dec-4-enoate (***(2R,3S)***-9).** *n-*Butyl lithium (72 μL, 0.18 mmol) was added dropwise to a stirring solution of *N,N*-diisopropylamine (21 μL, 0.15 mmol) in THF (4 mL) at -15°C and stirred 10 minutes under an argon atmosphere. The solution was cooled to -78°C and methyl ester (*(R)*-**8**) was added and the reaction stirred at -15°C for 15 minutes. The reaction was cooled to -78°C and *(+)*-(8, 8-dichlorocamphorylsulfonyl) oxaziridine (90 mg, 0.3 312 mmol) was added in THF (2 mL) and stirred to -15 $^{\circ}$ C⁸. After stirring for one hour, the reaction was 313 quenched with aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ (3 mL) and the layers separated. The aqueous layer 314 was extracted with DCM ($3\times$ 5mL) and the combined organics dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel. Elution with a gradient of 0-20% EtOAc/hexanes yielded alpha-hydroxy ester (*(2R,3S)*-**9**, 9 mg, 69% BRSM). **1H NMR (CDCl3, 500 MHz)** δ (ppm) 5.53 (dtd, 15.3, 6.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (ddt, 15.3, 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, 4.2, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.76 (q, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.52-2.67 (m, 1H), 2.00 (qd, 7.1, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 1.21-1.38 (m, 8H), 0.99 (d, 7.0, 3H), 0.88 (t, 6.9, 3H).

321 **13C NMR (CDCl3, 125 MHz)** δ (ppm) 174.8, 132.4, 130.6, 74.6, 52.4, 41.3, 32.7, 31.5, 29.2, 22.7,

322 14.8, 14.2.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z***:** Calculated: (M+Na)+ 323 237.1461. Actual: 237.1475. Δ ppm: 5.87.

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 *(2R,3S,E)***-2-hydroxy-3-methyl-dec-4-enoic acid,** *(2R,3S)***-bemeth#2.** Lithium hydroxide (40 mg, 2 mmol) was added to a stirring solution of ester (*(2R,3S)*-**9**, 11 mg, 0.05 mmol) in MeOH (0.4 mL), THF (0.4 mL), and water (0.2 mL). After one hour, the reaction was acidified with 1 M HCl and extracted with DCM (3×5 mL). The combined organics were dried over MgSO4, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel. Elution with a gradient of 0-100% DCM/MeOH(0.1% AcOH) yielded alpha-hydroxy acid $(2R.3S)$ -bemeth#2 (8.6 mg, 86% BRSM, d.r. 67.8% as determined by Mosher analysis⁹). **1H NMR (CDCl3, 500 MHz)** δ (ppm) 5.58 (dt, 15.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (dd, 15.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (d, 3.6, 1H), 2.68 (m, 1H), 2.02 (q, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.22-1.40 (m, 6H), 1.05 (d, 7.0, 3H), 0.89 (t, 6.7, 334 3H).

- 335 **13C NMR (CDCl3, 125 MHz)** δ (ppm) 177.4, 133.1, 130.1, 74.2, 40.7, 32.7, 31.5, 29.2, 22.7, 14.3,
- 336 14.2
- **HRMS (ESI)** *m/z***:** Calculated: (M-H)- 337 199.1340. Actual: 199.1339. Δ ppm: -0.28.

 Determination of bemeth#2 stereochemistry. bemeth#2 was dissolved in DCM with DMAP and stirred under argon at ambient temperature. *(R)-*(+)-α-Methoxy-α-(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl chloride (**10**, 1.2 equivalents) was added and the reaction stirred for 30 minutes and quenched with MeOH. The reaction was concentrated under reduced pressure, taken up in MeOH, and analyzed by HPLC-HRMS. Integration of the EIC after Mosher derivatization of synthetic bemeth#2 yielded a diastereomeric enrichment of 68%.

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Supplementary Tables

Supplementary Table 1. Metabolites enriched in *acdh-11(n5878)* **mutants.** Subset of dereplicated metabolites that are i) at least 8-fold enriched in *acdh-11(n5878);Pfat-7::fat-7::GFP* relative to WT *Pfat-7::fat-7::GFP,* ii) mean intensity > 500,000 AU for *acdh-11*, iii) not detected in bacteria only, and iv) dependent on cyclopropane lipid biosynthesis in *E. coli*. These data were filtered using stringent criteria and hundreds of additional differential features were detected (not dereplicated) using mean intensity cutoff at 100,000 AU. Note: these metabolites were detected in *acdh-11(n5878)* animals reared on OP50, HB101, and BW25113.

Supplementary Table 2. FCMT-1-derived metabolites. A comprehensive list of FCMT-1 derived metabolites that were detected in the conditioned media (*exo-*) or worm body *(endo-*) metabolome of N2 (WT) synchronized gravid adults in liquid culture, unless otherwise indicated.

Supplementary Table 3. Primers used for genotyping.

Supplementary Table 4. Primers used for gene expression analysis by RT-PCR.

Supplementary Table 5. ¹H NMR spectroscopic data of natural becyp#2, methanol-d₄ (800 MHz, CD₃OD).

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NMR Spectra of Synthetic Compounds

*cis-*3,4-methylenedecanoic acid, becyp#1, 1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl3)

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*cis-*3,4-methylenedecanoic acid, becyp#1, 13C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl3)

(E)-4-Hydroxy-non-2-ene (**5**), ¹ H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl3)

(E)-4-Hydroxy-non-2-ene (**5**), 13C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl3)

(S,E)-4-(Vinyloxy)-non-2-ene (**6**)**,** 1H NMR spectrum(500 MHz, CDCl3)

(S,E)-4-(Vinyloxy)-non-2-ene (**6**), 13C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl3)

(R,E)-3-Methyl-dec-4-enal (**7**), 1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl3)

(R,E)-3-Methyl-dec-4-enal (**7**), 13C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl3)

((R,E)-3-Methyl-dec-4-enoic acid, (*R*)-bemeth#1, 1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl3)

(R,E)-3-Methyl-dec-4-enoic acid, (*R*)-bemeth#1, 13C NMR spectrum(125 MHz, CDCl3)

Methyl-*(R,E)*-3-methyl-dec-4-enoate (**8**), 1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl3)

Methyl-*(R,E)*-3-methyl-dec-4-enoate (**8**), 13C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl3)

Methyl-*(2R,3S,E)*-2-hydroxy-3-methyl-dec-4-enoate (**9**), 1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl3)

Methyl-*(2R,3S,E)*-2-hydroxy-3-methyl-dec-4-enoate (**9**) , 13C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl3)

(2R,3S,E)-2-hydroxy-3-methyl-dec-4-enoic acid, (*2R,3S*)-bemeth#2, 1H NMR spectrum (500 MHz, CDCl3)

(2R,3S,E)-2-hydroxy-3-methyl-dec-4-enoic acid, (*2R,3S*)-bemeth#2, 13C NMR spectrum (125 MHz, CDCl3)

Comparison of ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) spectra for Mosher analysis. Earlier and later eluting diastereomers were separated following derivatization with (*R*)-MTPA-Cl. Derivatization of the major natural isomer, (*2R,3S*)-bemeth#2, exhibited identical chromatographic retention and chemical shifts as the later eluting fraction.

