	Aeration					
Fatty acid	MBM			MBM-noN		
	Air	1% CO <sub>2</sub>	5% CO <sub>2</sub>	Air	1% CO <sub>2</sub>	5% CO <sub>2</sub>
14:0	0.5±0.1	0.5±0.0	0.5±0.0	0.4±0.0	0.7±0.0	0.5±0.0
16:0	21.0±0.2	22.6±0.4	19.0±0.4	29.0±0.4	35.8±0.4	30.7±0.8
16:1(7) and 16:1(3t)	2.9±0.3	3.4±0.3	5.2±0.3	2.2±0.4	1.1±0.1	2.3±0.3
16:1(9)	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0
16:1(11)	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0
16:2(7,10)	3.7±0.6	2.7±0.4	4.1±0.3	3.7±0.1	1.5±0.0	2.1±0.4
16:3(4,7,10)	1.7±0.1	1.9±0.0	2.3±0.0	1.1±0.1	1.0±0.0	1.5±0.1
16:3(7,10,13)	4.6±0.2	3.8±0.1	3.8±0.1	3.8±0.3	2.3±0.0	2.5±0.1
16:4(4,7,10,13)	12.8±0.9	13.6±0.7	12.5±0.4	5.2±0.1	6.8±0.3	8.2±0.5
17:0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0
18:0	2.7±0.2	2.7±0.1	2.1±0.1	2.8±0.0	3.0±0.1	3.4±0.3
18:1(9)	1.6±0.3	3.6±0.6	7.8±0.4	8.8±1.2	5.8±0.2	3.7±0.5
18:1(11)	3.7±0.3	2.9±0.0	2.7±0.1	5.7±0.1	5.4±0.0	5.1±0.2
18:2(9,12)	12.4±1.3	11.4±0.8	12.7±0.6	15.2±0.5	11.6±0.7	10.1±0.9
18:3(5,9,12)	7.5±0.4	8.1±0.9	6.8±0.2	6.8±0.4	10.0±0.3	12.0±0.6
18:3(9,12,15)	22.2±1.2	20.7±1.1	18.3±0.5	13.8±0.2	13.4±0.2	15.3±0.6
18:4(5,9,12,15) and (6,9,12,15)	2.8±0.1	2.1±0.0	2.1±0.1	1.6±0.0	1.7±0.2	2.4±0.0

**Supplementary table 1.** Fatty acid composition of total lipids in the CC1010 cells grown with different concentrations of  $CO_2$ . Experiments were performed in duplicate or quadruplicate. Measurements were performed in duplicate in each experiment. Each value is a mean  $\pm$  standard error of the results obtained from four or eight measurements.

	Aeration					
Fatty acid	MBM			MBM-noN		
	Air	1% CO <sub>2</sub>	5% CO <sub>2</sub>	Air	1% CO <sub>2</sub>	5% CO <sub>2</sub>
14:0	9.7±3.1	11.0±3.0	1.8±0.3	0.5±0.0	0.9±0.1	0.9±0.1
16:0	42.0±2.4	48.7±1.1	12.5±1.9	31.1±1.0	38.8±0.3	35.3±1.8
16:1(7) and 16:1(3t)	2.5±0.9	3.5±0.6	2.6±0.4	2.2±0.6	1.2±0.1	2.6±0.2
16:1(9)	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0
16:1(11)	0.3±0.3	0.0±0.0	0.1±0.1	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0
16:2(7,10)	1.9±0.8	3.8±0.4	3.7±0.1	3.8±0.1	1.7±0.1	1.9±0.3
16:3(4,7,10)	0.2±0.1	0.2±0.2	1.4±0.1	0.7±0.1	0.4±0.0	0.6±0.1
16:3(7,10,13)	1.1±0.6	0.5±0.3	4.0±0.2	3.4±0.3	2.2±0.1	2.6±0.3
16:4(4,7,10,13)	2.4±0.8	1.7±0.1	16.1±0.9	4.1±0.0	5.2±0.3	7.6±0.4
17:0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0	0.0±0.0
18:0	17.3±2.6	9.5±1.4	2.9±0.5	3.1±0.1	2.5±0.1	2.5±0.1
18:1(9)	4.9±0.8	7.0±0.1	6.1±0.1	12.6±1.0	9.3±0.3	5.9±0.7
18:1(11)	2.6±0.8	2.5±0.3	2.0±0.1	6.3±0.1	5.5±0.1	4.9±0.2
18:2(9,12)	6.8±2.4	4.1±1.1	10.8±0.2	14.2±0.2	13.0±0.9	10.7±0.5
18:3(5,9,12)	2.8±1.0	3.7±1.3	12.0±0.3	6.0±0.4	8.6±0.1	10.6±0.6
18:3(9,12,15)	3.7±1.6	2.5±0.7	17.1±0.5	10.5±0.1	9.0±0.1	11.2±0.5
18:4(5,9,12,15) and (6,9,12,15)	1.6±0.5	1.3±0.4	6.9±0.6	1.6±0.1	1.6±0.1	2.9±0.1

**Supplementary table 2.** Fatty acid composition of TAG in the CC1010 cells grown with different concentrations of  $CO_2$ . Experiments were performed in duplicate or quadruplicate. Measurements were performed in duplicate in each experiment. Each value is a mean  $\pm$  standard error of the results obtained from four or eight measurements. Supplementary document

# Critical identification of fatty acids in Chlamydomonas by GC-MS

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# **Materials and Methods**

#### Algal strain

The green alga *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* strain CC1010 was obtained from the Chlamydomonas Resource Center (St. Paul, MN).

## Growth

The algal cells were grown at 25°C in flat culture flasks (capacity: 500 ml with air space) filled with 500 ml of modified Bristol's medium (MBM: 1) with continuous aeration by 1% CO<sub>2</sub> in air. In some experiments, aeration was provided by either 5% CO<sub>2</sub> in air or ordinary air. Light (45  $\mu$ mol m<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>) was provided by a bank of white fluorescent tubes (model FL20S FR P, Panasonic, Osaka, Japan; color temperature at 6700 K). MBM contained, per liter, 250 mg KNO<sub>3</sub>, 7.5 mg MgSO<sub>4</sub> 7H<sub>2</sub>O, 25 mg NaCl, 7.5 mg K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, 175 mg KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>, 13 mg Ca(NO<sub>3</sub>) 4H<sub>2</sub>O, 2 ml Fe stock solution and 1 mL A5 solution (pH was adjusted to 6.5 with 1N NaOH). The Fe stock solution contained 0.5 g L<sup>-1</sup> FeSO<sub>4</sub> 7H<sub>2</sub>O, whereas the A5 solution contained, per liter, 2.8 g H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>, 2.5 g MnSO<sub>4</sub> 7H<sub>2</sub>O, 0.2 g ZnSO<sub>4</sub> 7H<sub>2</sub>O, 0.07 g CuSO<sub>4</sub> 5H<sub>2</sub>O and 0.02 g Na<sub>2</sub>MoO<sub>4</sub> 2H<sub>2</sub>O. KNO<sub>3</sub> was not added in the nitrogen-deplete medium, which we designated as MBM-noN. It included 10 mg L<sup>-1</sup> CaCl<sub>2</sub> 2H<sub>2</sub>O instead of Ca(NO<sub>3</sub>) 4H<sub>2</sub>O.

## **Extraction of lipids**

The algal cells were harvested by centrifugation (3,000 × g, 10 min, at 4°C) at a density of 2 × 10<sup>6</sup> - 5 × 10<sup>6</sup> cells ml<sup>-1</sup> (about 40 ml). Total lipids were extracted by the method of Bligh and Dyer (1959) (2). The chloroform phase was evaporated under vacuum. The lipids were dissolved in 0.4 ml of chloroform-methanol (2:1, v/v), and stored at -20°C until use.

#### Separation of lipids

Lipid classes were separated by two-dimensional thin-layer chromatography (2D-TLC) according to Sato and Furuya (1983) (3). Lipid solution (180  $\mu$ l) was spotted on a silica gel plate (20 cm × 20 cm, TLC Silica gel 60 plate, Catalog Number 5721, Merck, Darmstadt,

Germany) at a position 25 mm x 25 mm from one corner. The first dimension was developed with acetone-benzene-methanol-water (8:3:2:1, by volume) to the top of the plate. After drying for 30 min, the second dimension was developed with chloroform-acetone-methanol-acetic acid-water (10:4:2:3:1, by volume) until the front reached the height of 12.5 cm. After drying again, the plate was further developed in the second dimension with n-hexane-diethyl ether-acetic acid (80:30:1, by volume) to the top of the plate. After drying, the plate was sprayed with 0.01% primuline in 80% aqueous acetone. Lipid spots were detected under UV light at 365 nm.

#### Preparation of fatty acid methyl esters

Each lipid class was scraped off the plate with a razor blade, and transferred in a Pyrex glass tube with a screw cap. Then, 2 ml of 2.5% HCl in anhydrous methanol (Kanto Kagaku, Ltd., Tokyo, Japan) was added. The tube was placed in a heating block at 85°C for 2.5 h. After cooling, fatty acid methyl esters (FAME) were extracted four times with 2 ml *n*-hexane. For the final extraction, 1 ml water was added to achieve complete extraction of FAME into the *n*-hexane phase. The solvent was removed under vacuum, and the resultant FAME was dissolved in a small volume of *n*-hexane, and stored at -20°C until analysis. Pentadecanoic acid (15:0) was added before the methanolysis as an internal standard for quantification of fatty acid methyl esters by gas chromatography (GC).

## Preparation of fatty acid pyrrolidides

An aliquot of FAME solution was evaporated to dryness, and then dissolved in 20  $\mu$ I of pyrrolidine. After addition of 2  $\mu$ I of acetic acid, the mixture was placed in a heating block at 100°C for 30 min. The reaction mixture was directly analyzed by GC (4).

## Preparation of trimethylsililated hydroxy derivatives

An aliquot of FAME solution was evaporated to dryness and then dissolved in 500 µl of dioxane-pyridine (8:1, by volume). After adding of 50 µl of 5% osmium tetroxide in dioxane, the mixture was kept at ambient temperature for 30 min with continuous stirring. Then 1.25 ml of methanol and 4.25 ml of 20% aqueous sodium sulfite were added to the mixture. After

standing for 1 h, the mixture was centrifuged at 750 × *g* for 20 min at 15°C. The supernatant was clarified by filtration through a glass-fiber paper (type GF/F, Whatman International Ltd., Maidstone, Kent, UK), and then evaporated under vacuum. The residue (perhydroxylated FAME) was completely dried in a vacuum desiccator for 15 min. The final residue was extracted with diethyl ether and then with methanol. Each of the extracts was dried under vacuum. Trimethylsilylation was performed by adding 20  $\mu$ l of the reagent TMS-BA (Tokyo Kasei, Ltd., Tokyo, Japan) and the mixture was kept at 80°C for 10 min (5-7).

# Gas chromatography

FAME was analyzed by a gas chromatograph (model GC-2014, Shimadzu, Kyoto, Japan) equipped with a flame ionization detector and a capillary column (ULBON HR-SS-10, 50 m in length, 0.25 mm in internal diameter, Shinwa Chemical Co., Kyoto, Japan). The temperature of the column was kept at 180°C for 5 min, and then elevated to 230°C at a rate of 3°C min<sup>-1</sup>. The flow rate of the carrier gas (nitrogen) was 1 ml min<sup>-1</sup>. Peak areas on the gas chromatogram were used to calculate the relative molar amounts of fatty acids. Absolute amounts were calculated using the internal standard 15:0. The amounts of lipid classes were determined based on the amounts of fatty acids.

#### Gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS)

FAME, fatty acid pyrrolidides, and trimethylated derivatives of hydroxyl fatty acids were analyzed by a gas chromatograph-mass spectrometer (model GCMS-QP2010 Ultra, Shimadzu). High-grade pure helium (He) was used as the carrier gas. The Ionization voltage was 70 eV, and ionization temperature was 200°C. Mass spectra were scanned every 0.2 s.

For the analysis of FAME, a BPX70 column (60 m in length, 0.22 mm in internal diameter, SGE Analytical Science, Victoria, Australia) was used. The column temperature was elevated from 170°C to 250°C at a rate of 3°C min<sup>-1</sup>, and then kept at 250°C for 5 min. The flow rate of helium carrier gas was 0.85 ml min<sup>-1</sup>.

Fatty acid pyrrolidides were also analyzed with the BPX70 column. The column temperature was first kept at 200°C for 1 min, elevated to 250°C at a rate of 10°C min<sup>-1</sup>, kept at 250°C for 25 min, elevated to 260°C at a rate of 2°C min<sup>-1</sup>, and finally kept at 260°C for 5

min. The flow rate of He carrier was 0.84 ml min<sup>-1</sup>.

Trimethylsilylated derivatives of hydroxylated fatty acids were analyzed with a non-polar column, Rtx-5MS (30 m in length, 0.25 mm in internal diameter, RESTEK, Bellefonte, PA). The column temperature was initially kept at 150°C for 1 min, elevated to 300°C at a rate of 7°C min<sup>-1</sup>, kept at 300°C for 10 min, elevated to 330°C at a rate of 7°C min<sup>-1</sup>, and finally kept at 330°C for 5 min. The flow rate of He gas was 1.40 ml min<sup>-1</sup>.

We present representative spectra. It was sometimes necessary to show spectra obtained with different classes of lipids to show better spectra of overlapping isomers. By combining the three different methods, we were able to identify various different isomers of fatty acids. We also detected various fatty acids with odd chain legths, which have been neglected in the past studies. The information on such atypical fatty acids will shed new light on the mechanism of synthesis of fatty acids in *Chlamydomonas* and other algae. Note that 14:0 and 15:0 are not normally detected in *Chlamydomonas*, but they are useful as internal standards.

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Fatty acid	Retention time (min)					
	Fatty acid methylester		Pyrrolidide derivative	Trimethylsilyl derivative		
	SS10	BPX70	BPX70	Rtx5MS		
14:0	5.101	7.145	14.425			
15:0	5.683	8.000	16.070			
16:0	6.434	9.085	18.035			
16:1(7)	6.733	9.485	19.035	13.550 13.740		
16:1(3t)	6.698	9.480	20.405	14.635		
16:1(9)	6.808	9.595	19.535	13.830		
16:1(11)	6.949	9.675	19.950	14.145		
16:2(7,10)	7.320	10.275	20.935	16.670		
16:3(4,7,10)	7.597	10.615	22.460	19.540		
16:3(7,10,13)	8.113	11.345	23.660	20.220		
16:4(4,7,10,13)	8.407	11.745	24.125	23.420		
17:0	7.264	10.210	20.335			
17:1(8) 17:1(9)	7.681	10.800	21.850	14.435 14.865		
17:1(10) 17:1(11)	7.681	10.800	21.925	14.545 15.060		
18:0	8.273	11.545	23.120			
18:1(9)	8.735	12.145	24.865	15.910		
18:1(11) 18:1(13)	8.829 8.976	12.265 12.450	25.380	16.025 16.340		
18:2(9,12)	9.553	13.165	28.255	18.605		
18:3(5,9,12)	9.956	13.630	28.820	21.250		
18:3(9,12,15)	10.575	14.365	32.240	21.835 21.930		
18:4(5,9,12,15) 18:4(6,9,12,15)	10.994	14.850	32.255 32.300	24.870 24.815		
19:0	9.390	12.985	26.090			
19:1(10) 19:1(13)	9.774	13.690	28.975	16.555 16.480		
20:1(11)	11.237	15.210	25.380	17.930		
22:1(13)		18.515	40.590	19.865		

Table1. Retention times of fatty acid methylesters, pyrrolidide derivatives, and trimethylsilyl derivatives on gas chromatography.

Fatty acid	Molecular weight					
	Fatty acid methylester	Pyrrolidide derivative	Trimethylsilyl derivative			
14:0	242	281	242			
15:0	256	295	256			
16:0	270	309	270			
16:1(7)	268	307	446			
16:1(3t)	268	307	446			
16:1(9)	268	307	446			
16:1(11)	268	307	446			
16:2(7,10)	266	305	622			
16:3(4,7,10)	264	303	798			
16:3(7,10,13)	264	303	798			
16:4(4,7,10,13)	262	301	974			
17:0	284	323	284			
17:1(8)	282	321	460			
17:1(9)	282	321	460			
17:1(10)	282	321	460			
17:1(11)	282	321	460			
18:0	298	337	298			
18:1(9)	296	335	474			
18:1(11)	296	335	474			
18:1(13)	296	335	474			
18:2(9,12)	294	333	650			
18:3(5,9,12)	292	331	826			
18:3(9,12,15)	292	331	826			
18:4(5,9,12,15)	290	329	1002			
18:4(6,9,12,15)	290	329	1002			
19:0	312	351	312			
19:1(10)	310	349	488			
19:1(13)	310	349	488			
20:1(11)	324	363	502			
22:1(13)	352	391	530			

Table2. Molecular weights of fatty acid methylesters, pyrrolidide derivatives, and trimethylsilyl derivatives.

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246 260 274 288

78 192 206

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In the pyrroridide derivatives of 17:1(8) and 17:1(9), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.





In the pyrroridide derivatives of 17:1(8) and 17:1(9), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.





In the pyrroridide derivatives of 17:1(10) and 17:1(11), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.





In the pyrroridide derivatives of 17:1(10) and 17:1(11), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.







In the pyrroridide derivatives of 18:1(11) and 18:1(13), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.



Pyrrolidide derivative



In the pyrroridide derivatives of 18:1(11) and 18:1(13), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.











In the trimethylsilyl derivative of 18:4(5,9,12,15) and 18:4(6,9,12,15), the mass spectra of each derivative were obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.

In the pyrrolidide derivative of 18:4(5,9,12,15) and 18:4(6,9,12,15), the mass spectra of each derivative were obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram. 4-19

18:4 (6,9,12,15)



In the trimethylsilyl derivative of 18:4(5,9,12,15) and 18:4(6,9,12,15), the mass spectra of each derivative were obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.

m/z

In the pyrrolidide derivative of 18:4(5,9,12,15) and 18:4(6,9,12,15), the mass spectra of each derivative were obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.



In the pyrroridide derivatives of 19:1(10) and 19:1(13), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.



In the pyrroridide derivatives of 19:1(10) and 19:1(13), the mass spectrum of these pyrrolidide derivatives was obtained from the same peak of gas chromatogram.





