

Description of Additional Supplementary Files

File Name: Supplementary Data 1

Description: Meta-data from surface and deep soils collected in November 2014 and August 2015 from plant, open, and mud ecosites. Geochemical (worksheet 1), quantitative reverse transcriptase PCR of mRNA (worksheet 2), and August oxygen concentrations with depth (worksheet 3).

File Name: Supplementary Data 2

Description: Metabolic summary of *Candidatus Methanotherix paradoxum* representative genome M1.

Genes assigned to different functional categories with mapped detected transcripts (worksheet 1), a summary of methanogen oxygen tolerance genes detected in *Candidatus Methanotherix paradoxum* genomes (worksheet 2), a summary of the M1 genome bin (worksheet 3), and a summary of biofilm indicator genes used for analyses (worksheet 4).

File Name: Supplementary Data 3

Description: Summary of *Candidatus Methanotherix paradoxum* metatranscripts based on mappings to different databases including: mapped metatranscripts to M1 genome mapping (worksheet 1), mapped metatranscripts to a database of isolates and metagenome *mcrA* (worksheet 2), mapped metatranscripts to the scaffolds in the metagenome (worksheet 3), and the abbreviations and categories of transcripts shown in Supplementary Fig. 8 (worksheet 4).

File Name: Supplementary Data 4

Description: Summary of *Candidatus Methanotherix paradoxum* sequences (<99% similarity) mined from public databases (shown in Supplementary 9). Sequence information includes accession numbers and studies (worksheet 1), metadata from each of the studies (worksheet 2), and the distribution of studies by habitat type (worksheet 3).

File Name: Supplementary Data 5

Description: Annotated FASTA of proteins belonging to M1 *Candidatus Methanotherix paradoxum* M1 genome.

File Name: Supplementary Data 6

Description: Amino acid FASTA of concatenated ribosomal protein alignment from isolate methanogens and *Candidatus Methanotherix paradoxum* used to construct Supplementary Fig. 4.

File Name: Supplementary Data 7

Description: Amino acid FASTA of S3 ribosomal proteins used to construct Supplementary Fig. 5.

File Name: Supplementary Data 8

Description: Amino acid FASTA of *mcrA* genes used to construct used to construct Supplementary Fig. 6.

File Name: Supplementary Data 9

Description: Nucleotide FASTA of *mcrA* genes obtained from wetland metagenomic sequencing and isolate reference sequences. These sequences served as the database to map metatranscripts to in Fig. 3 and Supplementary Fig. 7.

File Name: Supplementary Data 10

Description: Nucleotide FASTA of Candidatus Methanotherix paradoxum 16S rRNA and near neighbors from environmental datasets used to construct Supplementary Figure 10.