## SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

## NMR based metabolomics approach to elucidate the differential cellular responses during mitigation of arsenic (III, V) in a green microalga

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**Figure S1:** (A)  $IC_{50}$  value and, (B) arsenic removal efficiency of *Scenedesmus* sp. IITRIND2 different concentrations (0-500 mg/L) As (III) and As (V)



**Figure S2:** The representative 800 MHz <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H TOCSY spectrum of *Scenedesmus* sp. IITRIND2 showing CH cross-peak assignments for various metabolites.



**Figure S3:** The representative 800 MHz <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H J-Resolved (JRES) spectrum of *Scenedesmus* sp. IITRIND2 showing CH cross-peak assignments for various metabolites. Two different spectral region of the JRES spectrum are expanded for improved visualization: **Top Panel** -  $\delta(0.9-2.8)$  ppm and, **Bottom Panel** -  $\delta(3.1-4.6)$  ppm. Assigned peaks are annotated, whereas unassigned (UA) metabolite signals are labelled as UA.



**Fig. S4:** The representative 800 MHz <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C HSQC spectrum of *Scenedesmus* sp. IITRIND2 showing CH cross-peak assignments for various metabolites. GPC – Glycerophosphocholine.



**Table S1:** List of metabolites along with their respective chemical shifts and their respective metabolic change patterns as a consequence of uptake of Arsenic III and V metal uptake. one-way ANOVA was conducted to determine significant (p < 0.001) metabolic changes. The up ( $\uparrow$ ) and down ( $\downarrow$ ) arrows represent, respectively, increased and decreased metabolite levels.

Metabolite Name	Assignment	Chemical	<b>Relative Change*</b>		
		ppm	As (III) Spiking vs Control	As (V) Spiking vs Control	
Amino acids					
Leucine	δ-СН3	0.95 (d)	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow \uparrow$	
	δ-СН3	$0.96 (d)^{\epsilon}$			
Isoleucine	ү-СНЗ	0.93 (t) <sup>€</sup>	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow \uparrow$	
	δ-СН3	1.00 (d)			
Valine	ү-СНЗ	0.98 (d)		$\uparrow \uparrow$	
	ү-СНЗ	1.03 (d) <sup>€</sup>			
Threonine	γ-CH <sub>3</sub>	1.29 (d) <sup>€</sup>		1	
Alanine	β-CH <sub>3</sub>	$1.47 (d)^{e}$ 3.79 (a)	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow \uparrow$	
	α-CH	5.79 (q)			
Proline	γ-CH2	2.00 (m) <sup>€</sup>	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow \uparrow$	
	½ β-CH2	2.06 (m)			
	½ β-CH2	2.34 (m)			
Glutamate	β-CH <sub>2</sub>	2.11 (m) <sup>€</sup>	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow \uparrow$	
	$\gamma$ -CH <sub>2</sub>	2.34 (m)			
Glutamine	β-CH <sub>2</sub>	2.12 (m)		1	
	$\gamma$ -CH <sub>2</sub>	2.44 (m) <sup>€</sup>			
N,N-Dimethylamine (DMA) <sup>#</sup>	N-CH <sub>3</sub>	2.71 (s)		1	
Sacrosine <sup>#</sup>	N-CH <sub>3</sub>	2.72 (s)		1	
N,NN,- Trimethylamine (TMA) <sup>#</sup>	N-CH <sub>3</sub>	2.86 (s)	1	1	
Glycine	$\alpha$ -CH <sub>2</sub>	3.56 (s)	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow \uparrow$	

Cysteine	β-CH2	3.07 (m)	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow\uparrow$			
	α-СН	3.97 (dd) <sup>€</sup>					
N,N-dimethylglycine	N-CH3	3.71 (s)	↑	$\uparrow \uparrow$			
Tyrosine	C2H & C6H	6.88 (d) <sup>€</sup>	$\uparrow\uparrow$	1			
	C3H & C5H	7.18 (d)					
Phenylalanine	C2H & C6H	7.31 (m)	$\uparrow$	$\uparrow$			
	C4H	7.37 (m)					
	C3H & C5H	7.43 (m) <sup>€</sup>					
γ-glutamyl-	С2Н, С6Н &	7.3 (m) <sup>€</sup>	↑ (	$\uparrow \uparrow$			
phenytatannie	C4H						
	C3H & C5H	7.4 (m)					
	Organic acids						
Lactate	β-CH <sub>3</sub>	1.32 (d)	$\uparrow\uparrow$	$\uparrow$			
	α-CH	4.10 (q) <sup>€</sup>					
Acetate	CH <sub>3</sub>	1.91 (s)		$\uparrow$			
Glutarate	β, δ- CH2	2.16 (t)		$\uparrow$			
Succinate	α, β-CH <sub>2</sub>	2.39 (s)		$\uparrow \uparrow$			
Citrate	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> γ-CH2	2.52 (d) <sup>€</sup>		$\uparrow \uparrow$			
	72 γ <b>-</b> CΠ2	2.69 (d)					
Fumarate	СН	6.51 (s)	$\uparrow\uparrow$	$\uparrow\uparrow$			
Formate	СН	8.44 (s)	$\uparrow\uparrow$	$\uparrow\uparrow$			
Carbohydrates/sugar							
Sucrose	C10H	3.46 (t)					
	C12H	3.55 (dd)	↑	$\uparrow \uparrow$			

	C13H	3.66 (s)			
	C11H	3.75 (m)			
	C17H & C19H	3.77 (m)			
	C5H & C9H	3.81 (dd)			
	C4H	4.04 (t)			
	СЗН	$4.21(d)^{\epsilon}$			
	C7H	5.40(d)			
α-Glucose	C1H	4.63 (d)	↑	↑↑	
β-Glucose	C1H	5.22 (d)	↑	$\uparrow \uparrow$	
Mannose/Trehalose	C1H	5.19 (d)	<u>↑</u>	1	
Glucose-1-phosphate	C1H	5.55 (d,d)	$\uparrow\uparrow$	$\uparrow$	
		Phosph	hagen		
Choline/PC	N–(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	3.20 (s)	<b>↑</b>	$\uparrow \uparrow$	
GPC	N–(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	3.22 (s)	↑ (	$\uparrow$	
		Osmo	lytes		
Glycerol	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> γ-CH2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> γ-CH2	$3.63 (d)^{e}$	<b>↑</b>	$\uparrow$	
	/2   0112	3.65 (d)			
Betaine	N–(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	3.26(s)	$\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	
	$\beta$ -CH <sub>2</sub>	3.91 (s)			
ТМАО	N–(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	$3.27(s)^{\epsilon}$	$\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow$	
Nucleotides					
Adenine	С2Н	8.19 (s) <sup>€</sup>		$\downarrow$	

	С6Н	8.19 (s)		
ATP	C7H	8.61 (s) <sup>€</sup>	$\uparrow \uparrow$	$\uparrow \uparrow$
	C12H	8.25 (s)		
	C2H	6.13 (d)		
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Isopropanol	β-CH <sub>3</sub>	1.16 (d)		
Ethanol	СН3	1.17 (t)		$\uparrow \uparrow$
3-hydroxy- isovalerate	ү-СН3	1.24 (s)	1	↑↑
Acetone	CH <sub>3</sub>	2.22 (s)		1
Aceto-acetate	δ-CH3	2.3 (s)		1
N,N-Dimethyl- formamide (DMF)	N-CH <sub>3</sub>	2.85 (s)		1
Ethanolamine	N-CH <sub>2</sub>	3.13(m)	1	↑↑
Methanol	CH <sub>3</sub>	3.34 (s)	<b>↑</b>	↑↑
Hydroxy-benzoate	C2H & C6H	7.02 (d) <sup>€</sup>	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow$
ucrivative	C3H & C5H	7.79 (d,d)		

**Note:** All the values of the metabolites were statistically significant with p value 0.001 respectively. For visualization interpretation, single  $(\uparrow,\downarrow)$  and double  $(\uparrow\uparrow,\downarrow\downarrow)$  arrows are used to represent relative change in the mean value of metabolite concentration (as evaluated from their respective box-plots). "€" represents he metabolite peak used for evaluating the quantitative difference as represented here using up (↑) and down (↓) arrows in the case of multiple signals/chemical shift values. "<sup>#</sup>" The metabolites showing discrepancy in the box-plot calculation because of some outlier values.

## **Appendix S1:**

## Materials and Methods: NMR Methodology for 2D NMR experiments:

Unambiguous assignments of various metabolites of *Scenedesmus* sp. IITRIND2 were obtained using two-dimensional *J*-resolved (JRES), TOCSY (total proton-proton correlation spectroscopy) and HSQC (heteronuclear single quantum correlation) spectrum. These spectra were recorded for some of the randomly selected normal and arsenic spiked samples.

Homonuclear 2D *J*-resolved spectra (jresgpprqf) were recorded in magnitude mode using quadrature phase (QF) with water pre-saturation during recycle delay (RD) of 2 sec. 16K data points were collected along direct proton (*F*2) dimension with spectral width of 16 ppm, whereas, along indirect J- Couplings (*F*1) dimension, 80 points (increments) corresponding to spectral width of 78 Hz (~0.0976 ppm) were collected and for each *F*1 increment, 32 transients were acquired. Prior to Fourier transformation (FT), free induction decay (FID) signals were weighted in both dimensions by a sine-bell function and zero-filled in the *F*1 dimension to 256 data points. The spectra were tilted by 45° to provide orthogonality of the chemical shift and coupling constant axes and subsequently symmetrized about the *F*1 axis.

Two-dimensional <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H TOCSY (dipsi2esgpph) and sensitivity enhanced <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>13</sup>C HSQC (hsqcetgp) spectra were acquired in phase sensitive mode using time proportional phase incrementation (TPPI). 2D TOCSY spectrum was recorded using 2048 data points along direct dimension (*F*2) and 512 increments along indirect dimension (*F*1) with 32 transients per increment and a spectral width of 12 ppm in both dimensions. The FIDs were weighted using a sine-bell-squared function in both dimensions and zero filled to 2048 and 4096 data points, respectively, in the *F*1 and *F*2 dimensions prior to FT. For TOCSY experiment a mixing time of 80 ms was used. Spin-lock was achieved by a DIPSI2 pulse sequence during the TOCSY mixing time. The relaxation delay (RD) was 3.0 sec.

2D HSQC spectrum was recorded with inverse <sup>13</sup>C detection and using <sup>13</sup>C decoupling during acquisition using GARP-1.2. A relaxation delay of 2.0 sec was used between successive pulse sequence cycles and a refocusing delay equal to 1/(4\*1JC-H = 1.75 ms) was employed. 2048 x 256 complex t2 (<sup>1</sup>H) and  $t1(^{13}C)$  data points with 128 scans per increment were acquired with spectral widths of 12 and 165 ppm, respectively, in the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C dimensions. The FIDs were weighted using a sine-bell-squared function in both dimensions and zero filled to 4096 and 2048 data points, respectively, in the F2 and F1 dimensions prior to FT. After FT, the final spectrum was manually phase corrected and <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C dimensions were referenced to lactate methyl protons and carbon, respectively, at 1.31 and 22.5 ppm.