

Figure S4 Rfam family assignment of metatranscriptomic reads origi-

nating from non-coding RNA (ncRNA). Only the percentage of reads (relative to the total of 136474149 reads assigned as ncRNA) for the top 10 abundant Rfam families is shown. OLE RNAs are widespread among thermophilic *Firmicutes*, including sulfidogens from the genera *Desulfotomaculum*, but their exact function remains unknown [99].