

# Quantification of structure-property relationships for plant polyesters reveals suberin and cutin idiosyncrasies

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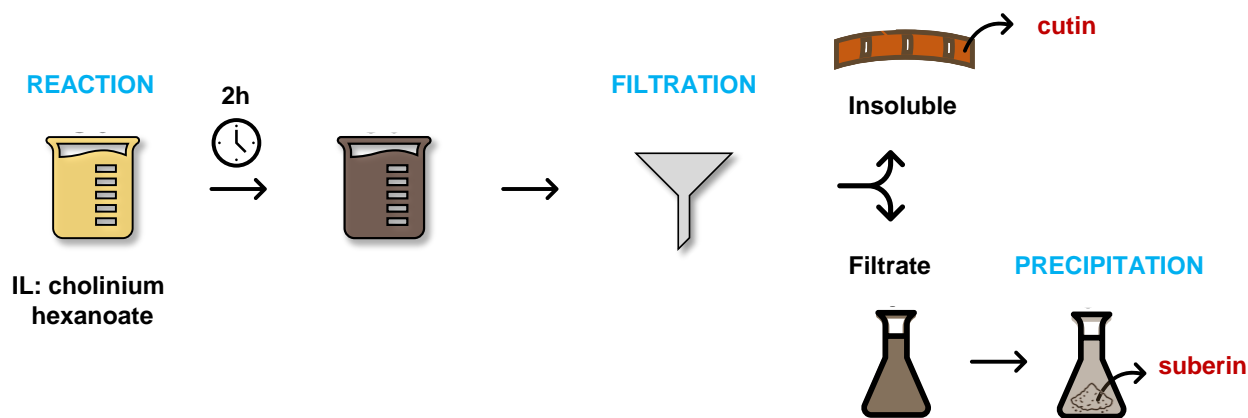
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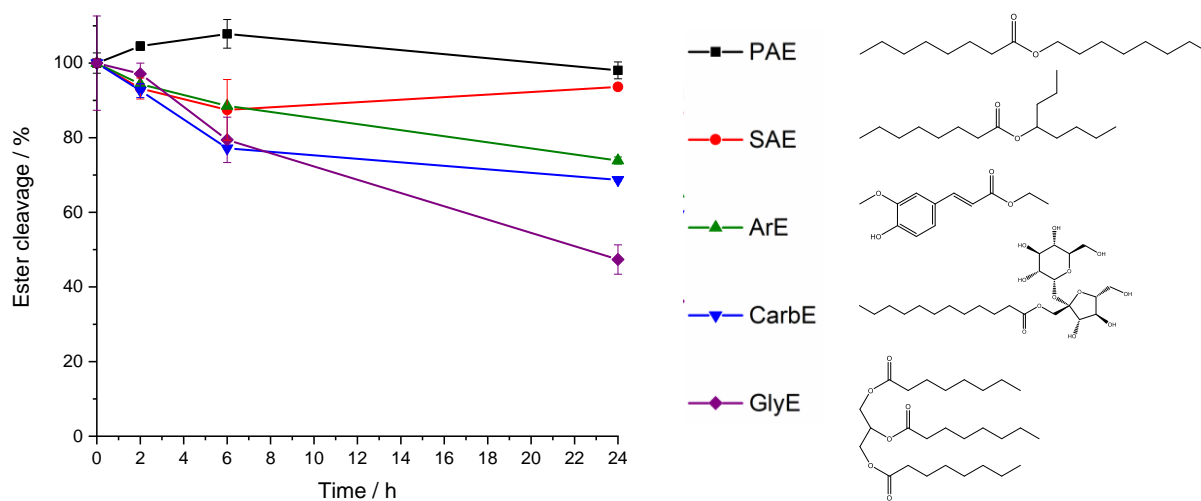
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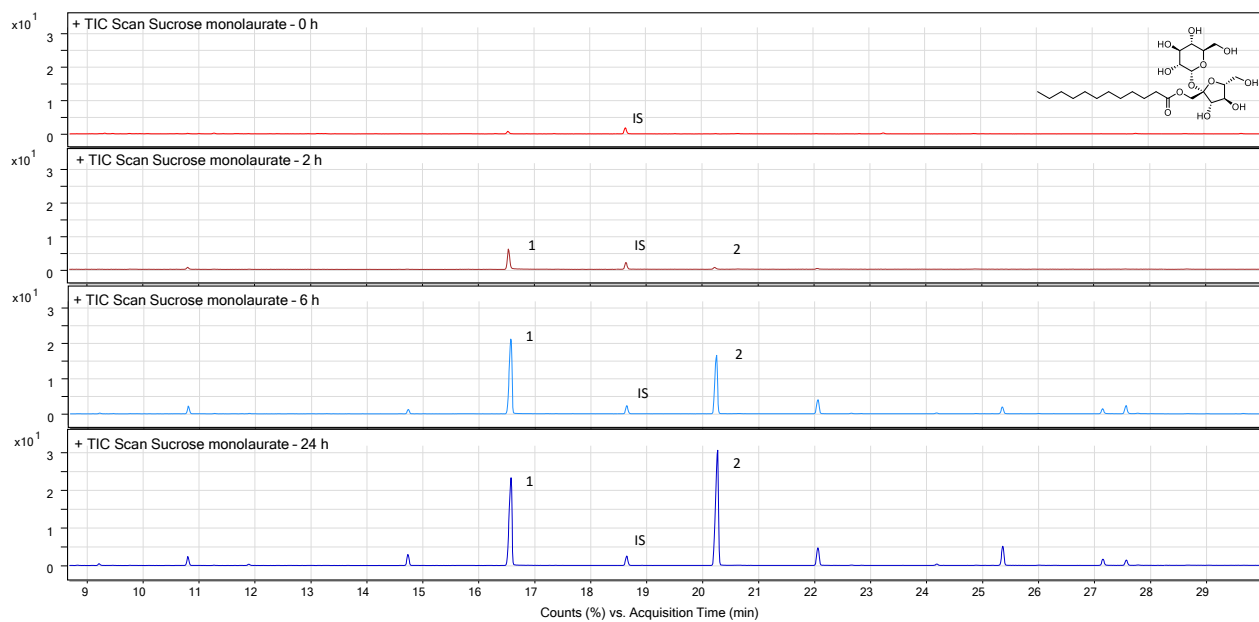




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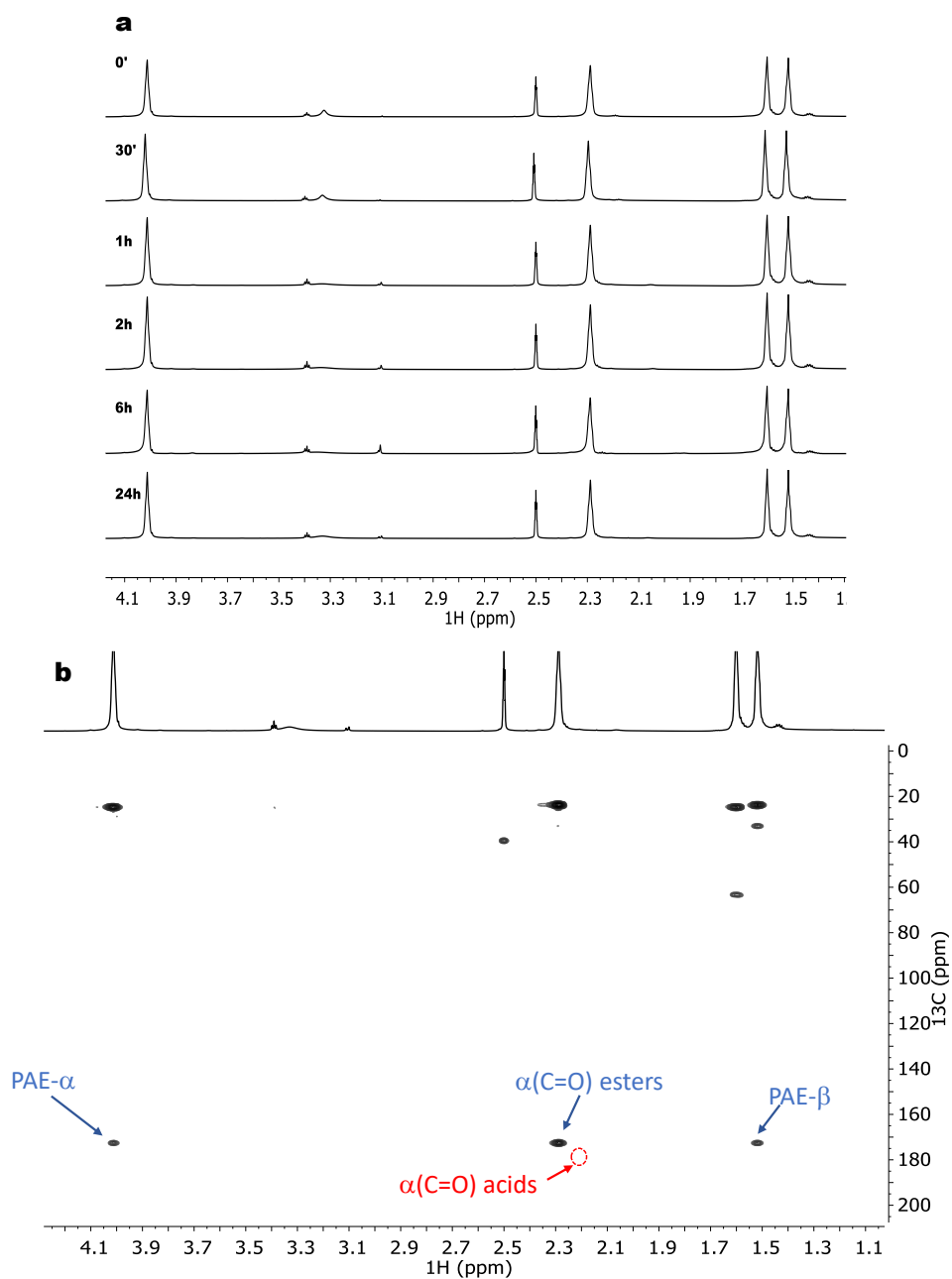


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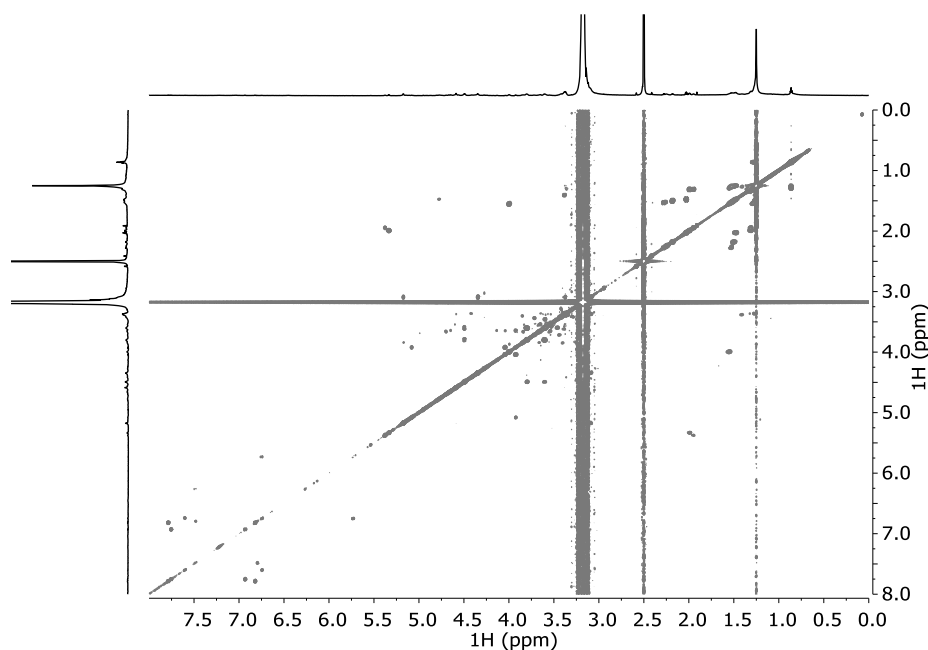
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	Sample	Tomato Cutin	Pepper Cutin	Cork Suberin	Potato suberin
Elemental Analysis	Nitrogen (N) <sup>a</sup> (%)	< 1	< 1	1.60 ± 0.08	2.33 ± 0.07
	Carbon (C) (%)	63.98 ± 0.16	67.63 ± 0.02	64.07 ± 0.02	60.65 ± 0.11
	Hydrogen (H) (%)	9.08 ± 0.12	9.79 ± 0.03	8.86 ± 0.06	8.54 ± 0.07
	Oxygen (O) (%)	26.96 ± 0.27	22.60 ± 0.04	26.08 ± 0.04	28.50 ± 0.11

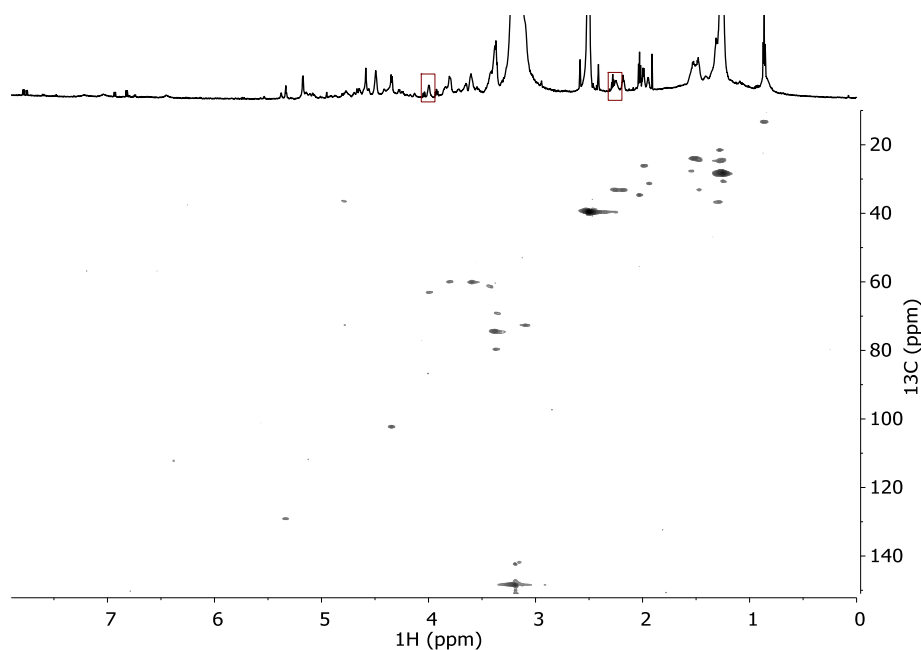
a) corresponding peak areas were outside the calibration curve, the suberin values may be subject to error yet shown since the monomer 4-(2-aminoethyl)phenol contains N. Deviation from theoretical percentage (should be <0.4%);

**Table S2** – Total carbohydrate quantification of cutin and suberin samples.

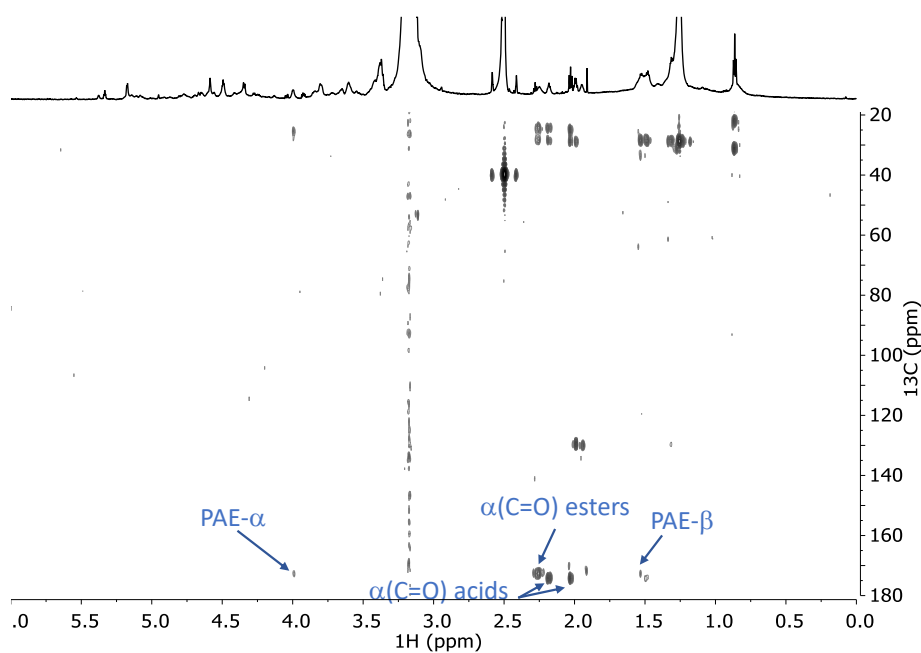
Samples	ng (carbohydrate)/mg (plant polyester)	carbohydrate content / %
Tomato cutin	0.489 ± 0.127	4.89E <sup>-5</sup> ± 1.27E <sup>-5</sup>
Pepper cutin	0.124 ± 0.016	1.25E <sup>-5</sup> ± 1.79E <sup>-6</sup>
Cork suberin	0.21 ± 0.033	2.10E <sup>-5</sup> ± 3.34E <sup>-6</sup>
Potato suberin	1.16 ± 0.31	9.70E <sup>-5</sup> ± 5.51E <sup>-5</sup>
Micro-Tom <i>wt</i>	0.387 ± 0.072	3.87E <sup>-5</sup> ± 7.19E <sup>-6</sup>
Micro-Tom <i>cus1</i>	1.022 ± 0.496	1.02E <sup>-4</sup> ± 4.96E <sup>-5</sup>
Micro-Tom <i>gpat6</i>	0.541 ± 0.175	5.53E <sup>-5</sup> ± 3.00E <sup>-5</sup>



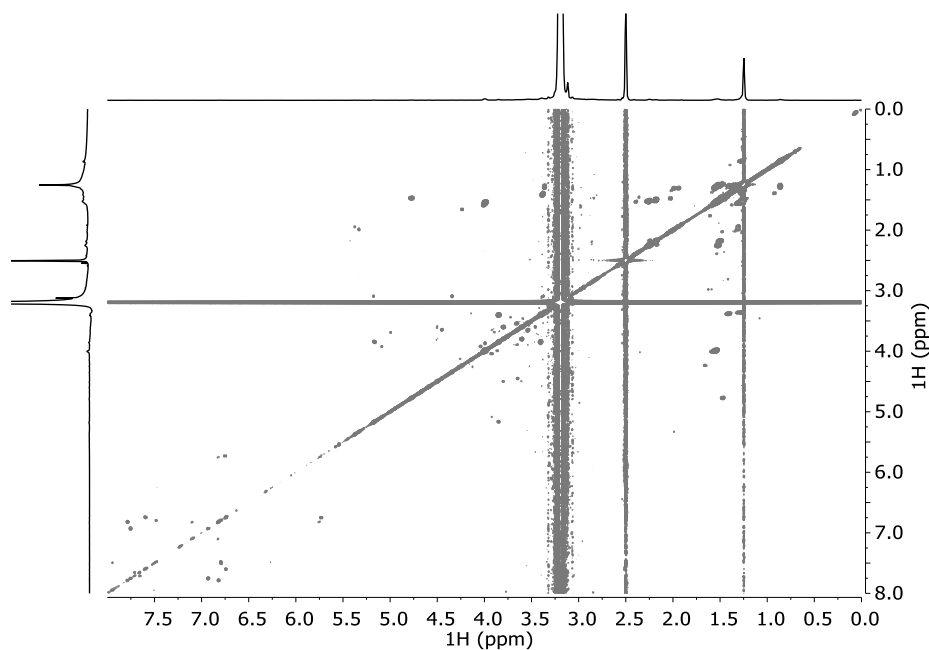
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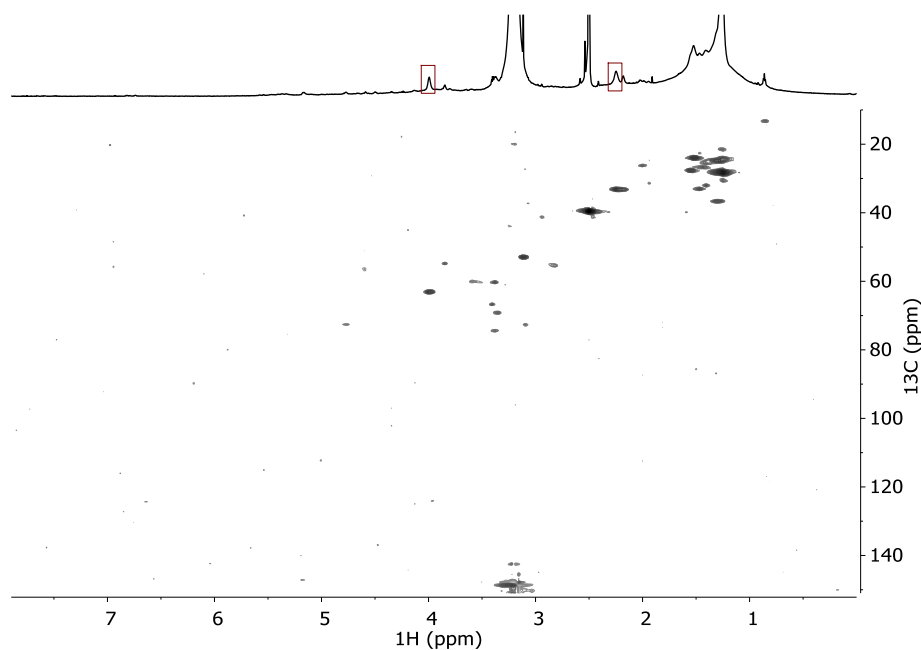
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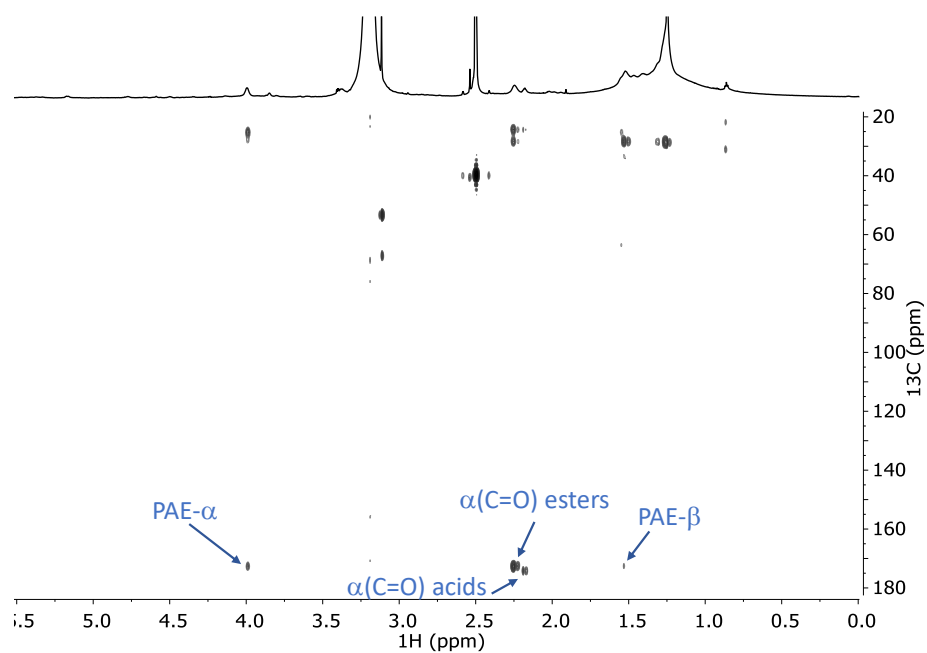
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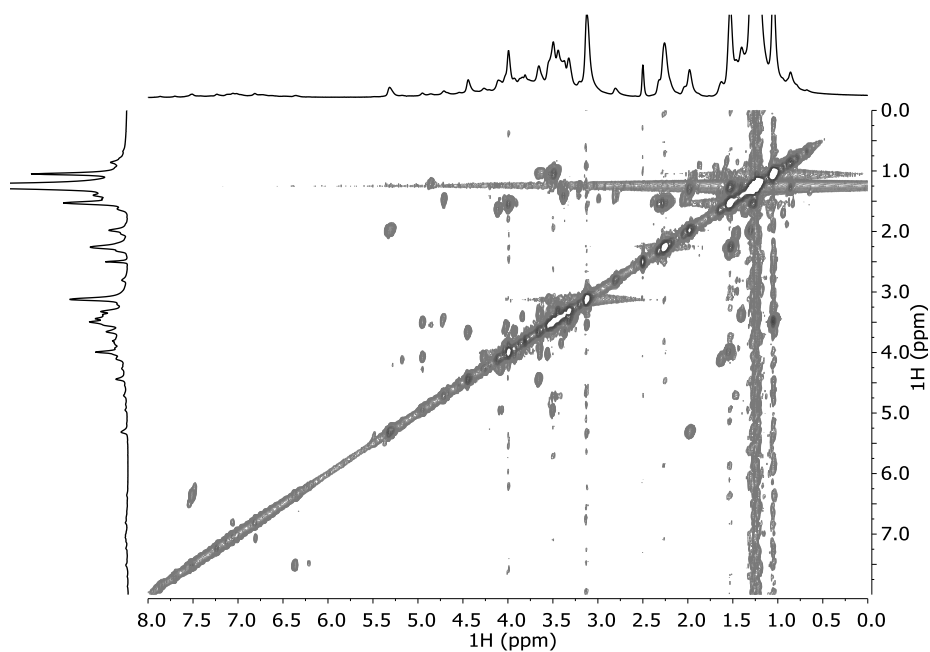
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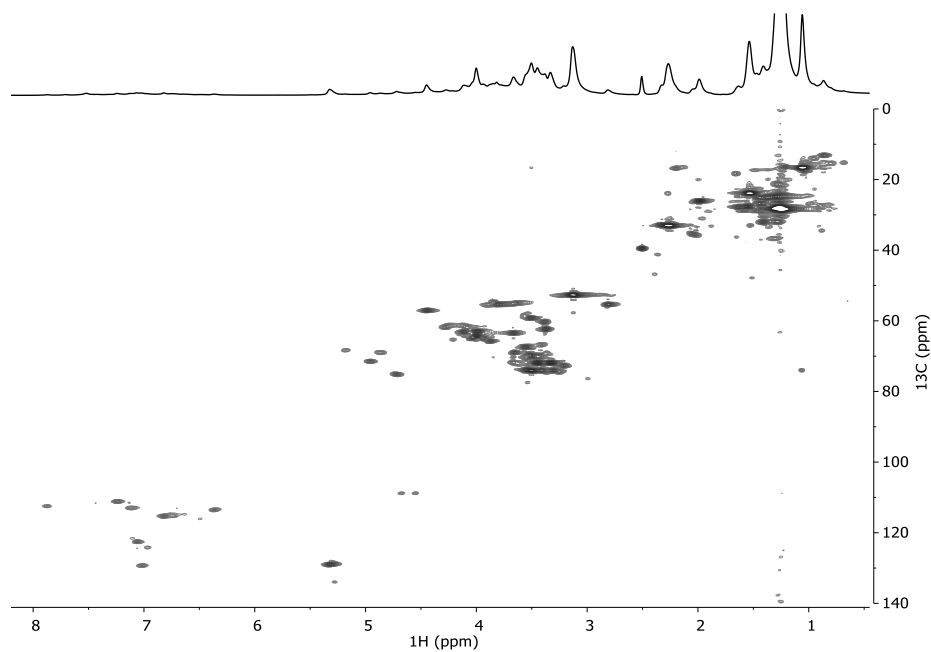
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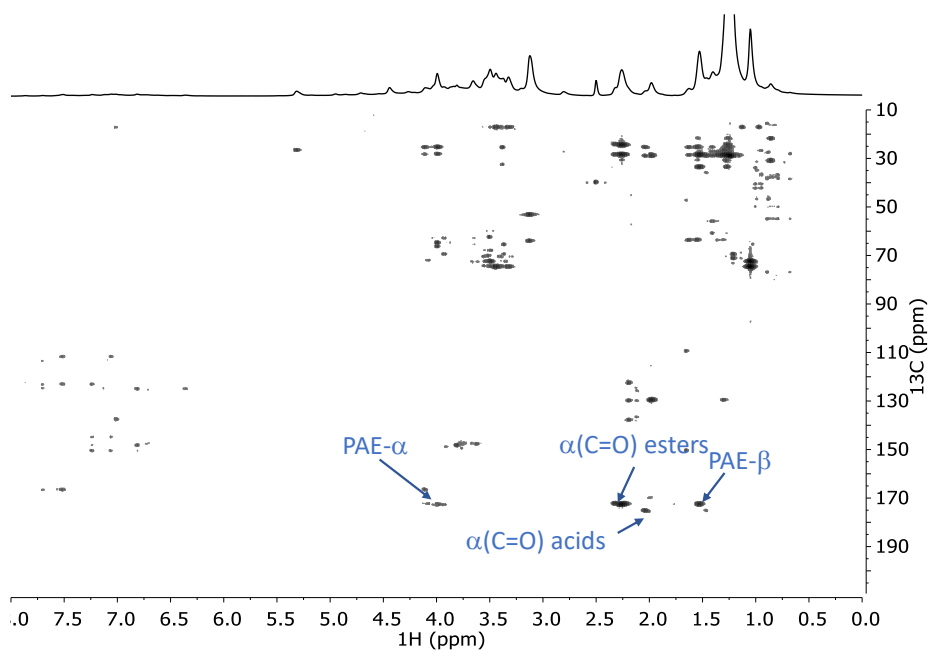
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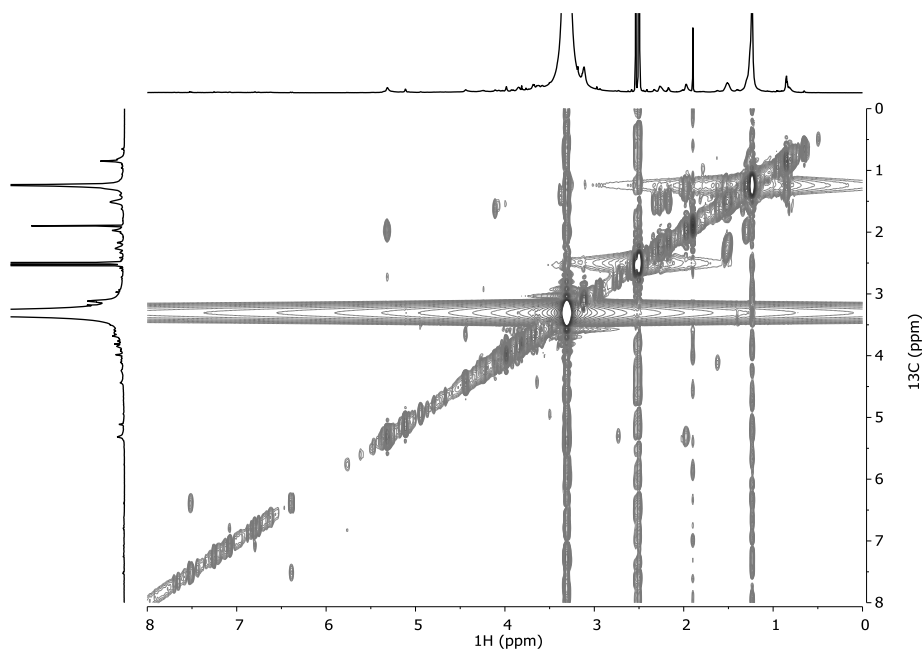


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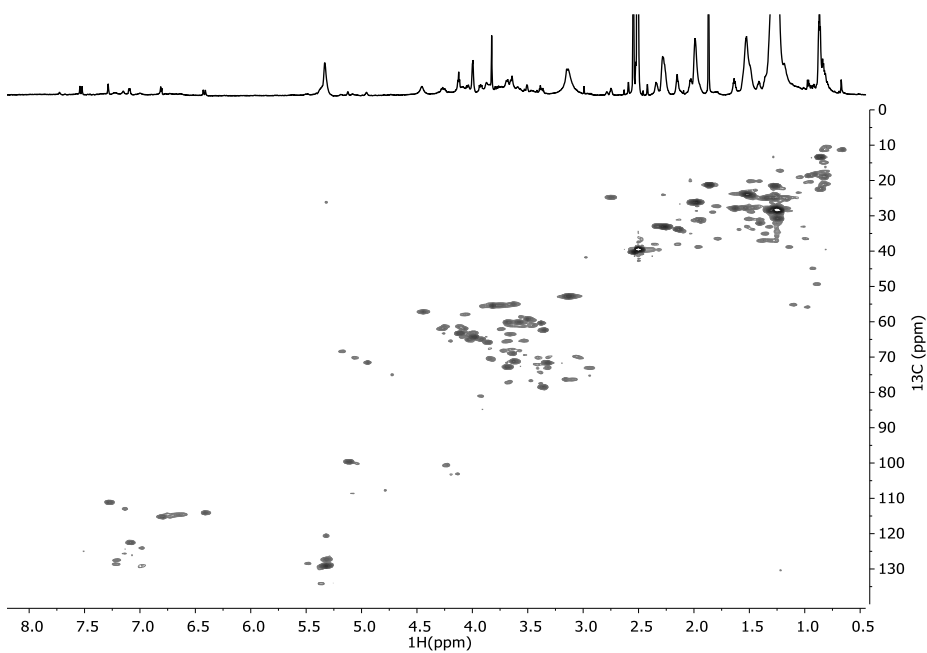


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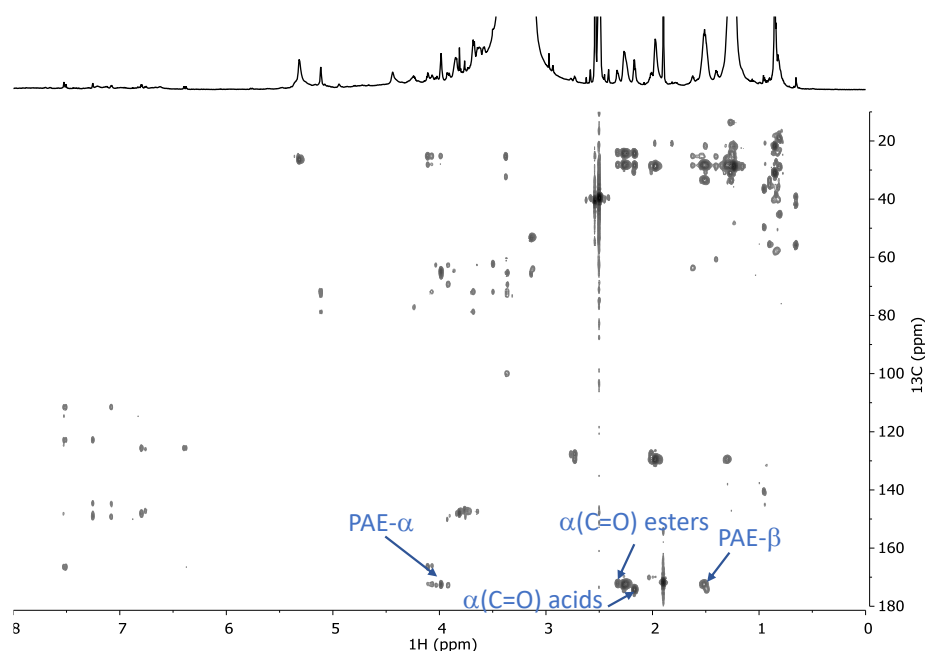




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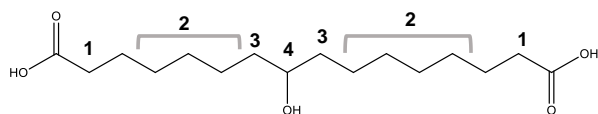
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<b>Fatty acids (n= 1-2)</b>	
	$^1\text{H}$ NMR (800.33 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) $\delta$ 0.86 (m, 3H, H-3), 1.25 (m, 2H, H-2), 2.02 (m, 2H, H-1). $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (201.42 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) $\delta$ 13.39 (C-3), 28.34 (C-2), 34.67 (C-1).
	$^1\text{H}$ NMR (800.33 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) $\delta$ 0.86 (m, 3H, H-5), 1.25 (m, 2H, H-2), 1.99 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.02 (m, 2H, H-1), 5.34 (m, 2H, H-4). $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (201.42 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) $\delta$ 13.39 (C-5), 26.13 (C-3), 28.34 (C-2), 34.67 (C-1), 129.07 (C-4).
<b>Dicarboxylic Acids</b>	
	$^1\text{H}$ NMR (800.33 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ) $\delta$ 1.25 (m, 2H, H-2), 2.02 (m, 2H, H-1).

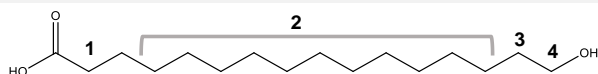


$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  28.34 (C-2), 34.67 (C-1).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  1.25 (m, 2H, H-2), 1.30 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.02 (m, 2H, H-1), 3.38 (m, 2H, H-4).

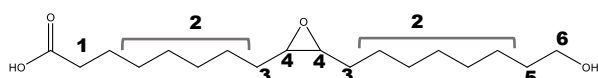
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  28.34 (C-2), 34.67 (C-1), 36.64 (C-3), 74.31 (C-4).

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$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  1.25 (m, 2H, H-2), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.02 (m, 2H, H-1), 3.41 (m, 2H, H-4).

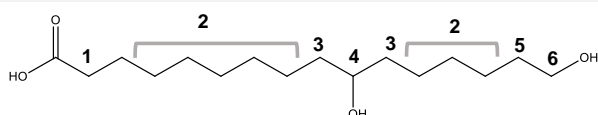
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  28.34 (C-2), 32.03 (C-3), 34.67 (C-1), 67.64 (C-4).



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  1.25 (m, 2H, H-2), 1.42 (m, 2H, H-5), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-5), 1.43 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.02 (m, 2H, H-1), 2.82 (m, 2H, H-4), 3.41 (m, 2H, H-6)

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  26.68 (C-3), 28.34 (C-2), 32.03 (C-5), 34.67 (C-1), 55.43 (C-4), 67.64 (C-6)

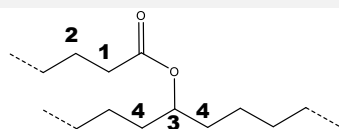
#### Polyhydroxyacids



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  1.25 (m, 2H, H-2), 1.30 (m, 2H, H-3), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-5), 2.02 (m, 2H, H-1), 3.38 (m, 2H, H-4), 3.41 (m, 2H, H-6).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  28.34 (C-2), 32.03 (C-5), 36.64 (C-3), 34.67 (C-1), 67.64 (C-6), 74.31 (C-4).

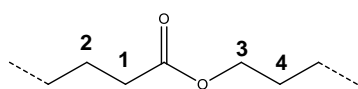
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$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  27.60 (C-2), 33.05 (C-4), 33.27 (C-1), 72.60 (C-3).

#### PRIMARY ALIPHATIC ESTERS

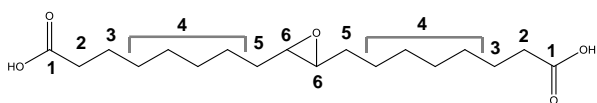


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  1.49 (m, 2H, H-4), 1.54 (m, 2H, H-2), 2.25 (m, 2H, H-1), 3.98 (m, 2H, H-3).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  24.02 (C-4), 27.60 (C-2), 33.27 (C-1), 63.05 (C-3).

**Table S4** – Monomeric composition of suberin extracted from cork or potato using cholinium hexanoate (2 h), identified by NMR. Chemical structures and  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  chemical shifts (ppm) of the cutin monomers. Signals not resolved in the NMR spectra due to overlapping signals or not yet assigned are not shown in this table. Most of the signals have been assigned before by us<sup>2</sup>.

Chemical structure	Chemical shifts (ppm)
<b>C18 MID-CHAIN MODIFIED</b>	
<b><math>\omega</math>-hydroxyacids</b>	
	$^1\text{H}$ NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> 6) $\delta$ 1.24 (m, 2H, H-4), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-5), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-8), 1.46 (m, 2H, H-3), 1.98 (m, 2H, H-6) 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2), 3.39 (m, 2H, H-9), 5.31 (m, 2H, H-7) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> 6) $\delta$ 26.13 (C-3), 27.07 (C-6), 29.86 (C-5), 29.35 (C-4), 32.95 (C-8), 36.40 (C-2), 61.32 (C-9), 129.98 (C-7), 172.20 (C-1)
	$^1\text{H}$ NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> 6) $\delta$ 1.24 (m, 2H, H-4), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-7), 1.43 (m, 2H, H-5), 1.46 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2), 2.80 (m, 2H, H-6), 3.39 (m, 2H, H-8) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> 6) $\delta$ 26.13 (C-3), 29.35 (C-4), 27.83 (C-5), 32.95 (C-7), 36.40 (C-2), 56.38 (C-6), 61.32 (C-8), 172.20 (C-1)
	$^1\text{H}$ NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> 6) $\delta$ 1.24 (m, 2H, H-4), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-5), 1.46 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2), 3.39 (m, 2H, H-6) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> 6) $\delta$ 26.13 (C-3), 29.35 (C-4), 32.95 (C-5), 36.40 (C-2), 61.32 (C-6), 172.20 (C-1)
<b><math>\alpha,\omega</math>-diacids</b>	
	$^1\text{H}$ NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO- <i>d</i> 6) $\delta$ 1.24 (m, 2H, H-4), 1.41 (m, 2H, H-5), 1.46 (m, 2H, H-3), 1.98 (m, 2H, H-6), 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2), 5.31 (m, 2H, H-7)



$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO-*d*6)  $\delta$   
 26.13 (C-3), 27.07 (C-6), 29.86 (C-5),  
 29.35 (C-4), 36.40 (C-2), 129.98 (C-7),  
 172.20 (C-1)

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO-*d*6)  $\delta$   
 1.24 (m, 2H, H-4), 1.43 (m, 2H, H-5),  
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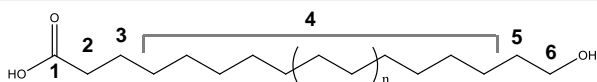
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 26.13 (C-3), 29.35 (C-4), 27.83 (C-5),  
 36.40 (C-2), 56.38 (C-6), 172.20 (C-1)

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800.33 MHz, DMSO-*d*6)  $\delta$   
 1.24 (m, 2H, H-4), 1.46 (m, 2H, H-3),  
 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2)

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO-*d*6)  $\delta$   
 26.13 (C-3), 29.35 (C-4), 36.40 (C-2),  
 172.20 (C-1)

### **SATURATED CHAIN**

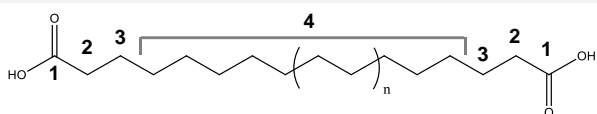
#### **$\omega$ -hydroxyacids (n= 1-5)**



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 1.46 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2),  
 3.39 (m, 2H, H-6)

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO-*d*6)  $\delta$   
 26.13 (C-3), 29.35 (C-4), 32.95 (C-5),  
 36.40 (C-2), 61.32 (C-6), 172.20 (C-1)

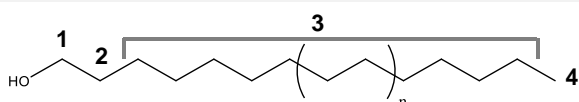
#### **$\alpha,\omega$ -diacids (n= 1-5)**



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 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2)

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO-*d*6)  $\delta$   
 26.13 (C-3), 29.35 (C-4), 36.40 (C-2),  
 172.20 (C-1)

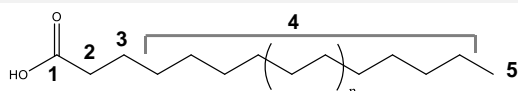
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 1.41 (m, 2H, H-1), 3.39 (m, 2H, H-2)

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO-*d*6)  $\delta$   
 14.13 (C-4), 29.35 (C-3), 32.95 (C-2),  
 61.32 (C-1)

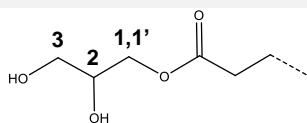
### Fatty acids (n= 1-5)



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1.46 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.03 (m, 2H, H-2)  
 $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$   
14.13 (C-5), 26.13 (C-3), 29.35 (C-4),  
36.40 (C-2), 172.20 (C-1)

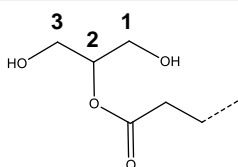
### ACYLGLYCEROL ESTERS

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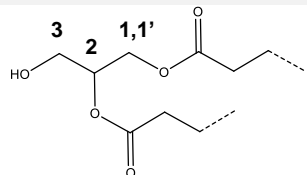
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 $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$   
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#### 2-monoacylglycerol (2-MAG)



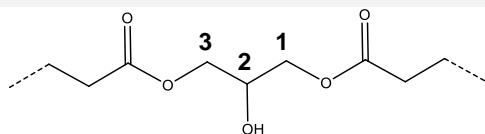
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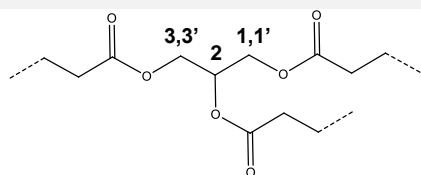
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3.50 (m, 2H, H-3), 4.08 (m, 2H, H-1),  
4.27 (m, 2H, H-1'), 4.95 (m, 1H, H-2)  
 $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$   
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72.46 (C-2)

#### 1,3-diacylglycerol (1,3-DAG)



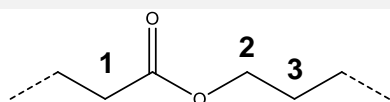
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 $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ )  $\delta$   
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#### 1,2,3-triacylglycerol (1,2,3-TAG)

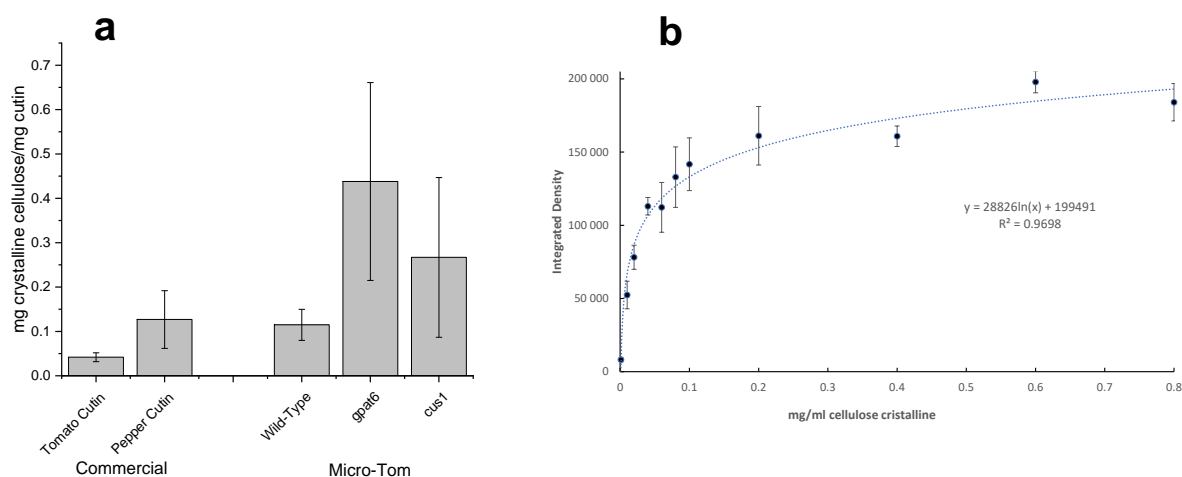


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5.17 (m, 1H, H-2)  
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62.33 (C1'-3'), 62.40 (C1-3), 69.32 (C2)

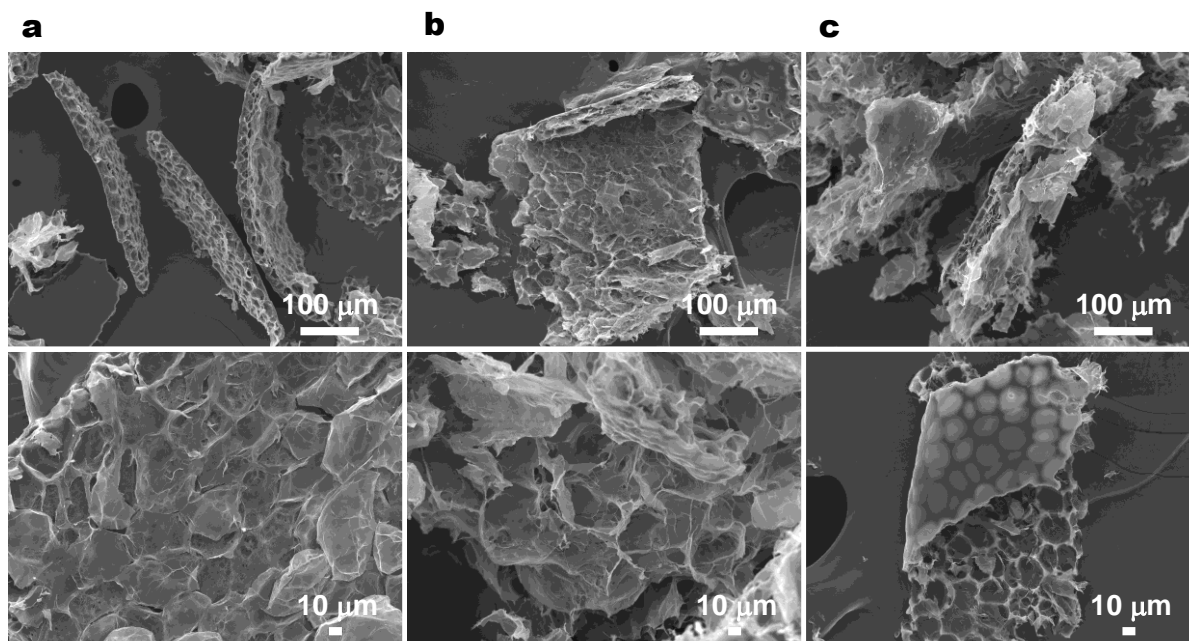
## PRIMARY ALIPHATIC ESTERS



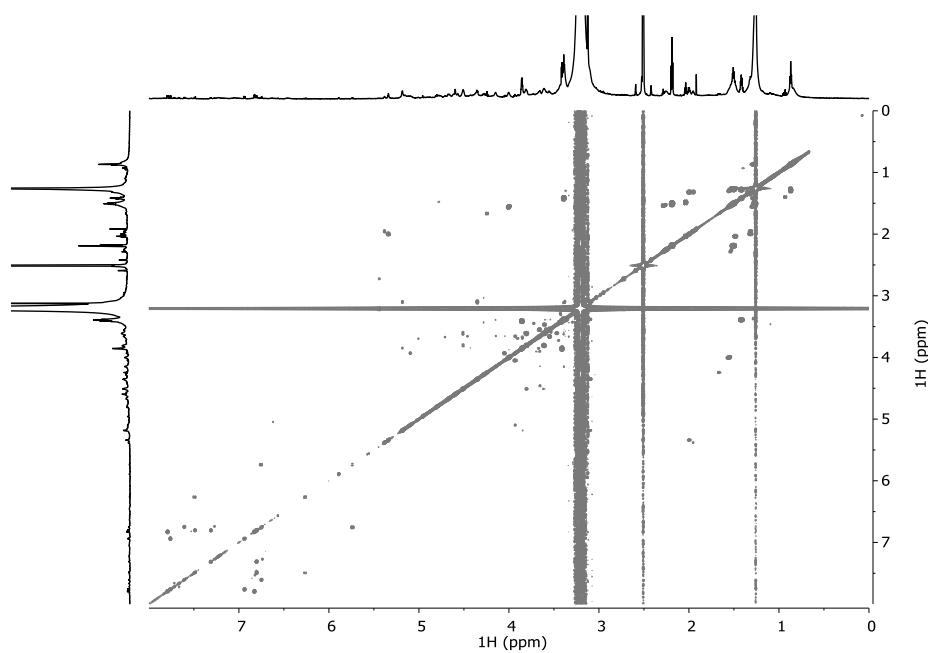
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 1.53 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.26 (m, 2H, H-1),  
 3.99 (m, 2H, H-2)  
 $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (201.42 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ )  $\delta$   
 24.85 (C-3), 34.03 (C-1), 64.02 (C-2)



**Figure S17** – Quantification of crystalline cellulose concentration with ImageJ software of cutin from tomato, pepper and Micro-tom (wild type and mutants) purified with cholinium hexanoate. The result was expressed in mg of crystalline cellulose per mg of cutin in sample (a). The error bars represent the standard deviations of three independent measurements. Standard calibration curve for quantitative detection of crystalline cellulose based on direct dot-blot immunoassay using Image J software (b). The error bars represent the standard deviations of three independent measurements.

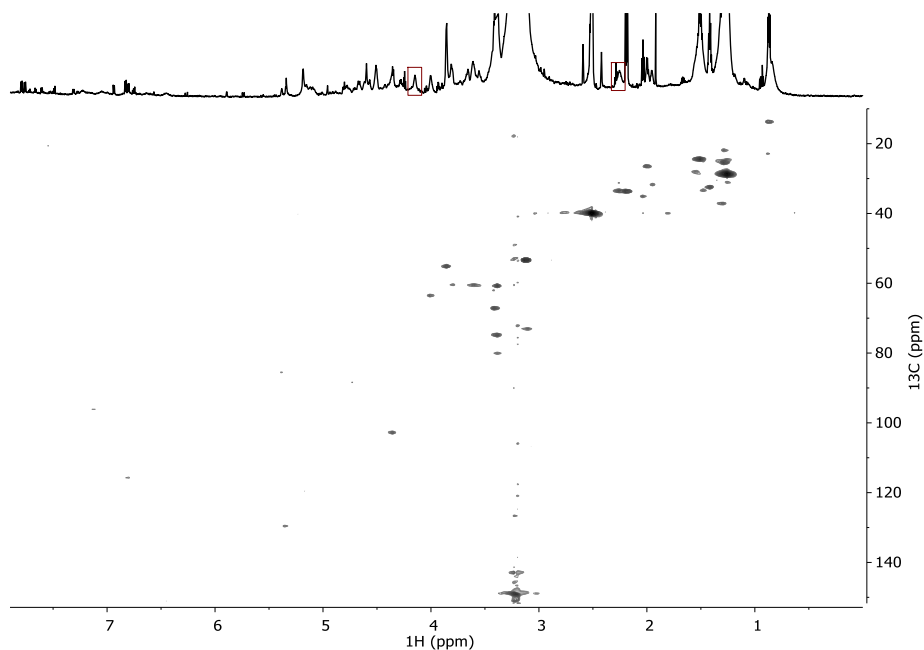


**Figure S18** - SEM micrographs of cutin samples extracted from Micro-Tom tomatoes, wild type (a) and the mutants *cus1* (b) and *gpat6* (c), using cholinium hexanoate extraction for 2h.

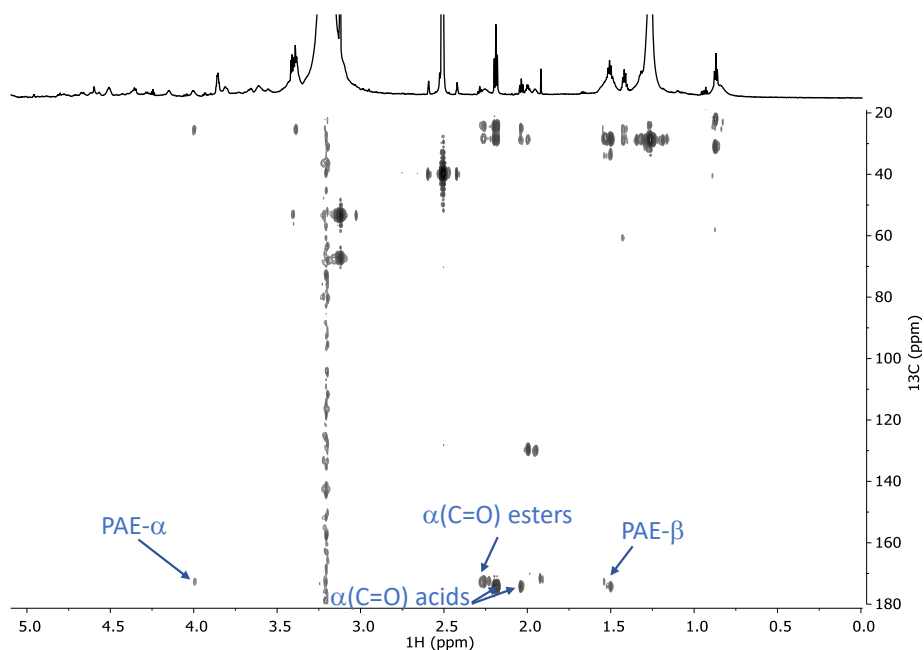


**Figure S19** – 2D-<sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY-NMR spectrum (COrelated SpectroscopY) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> at 60 °C.

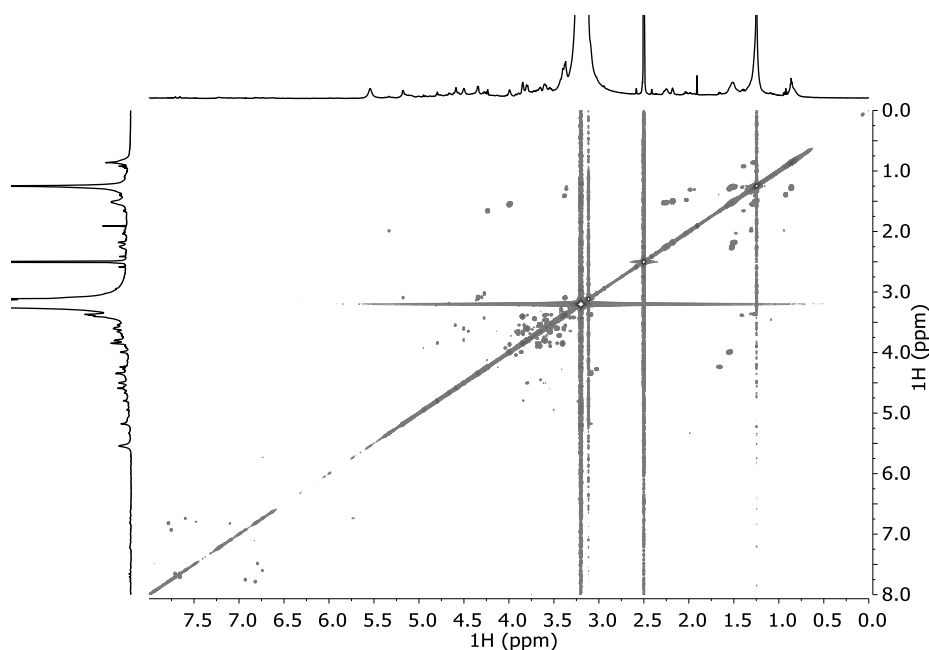




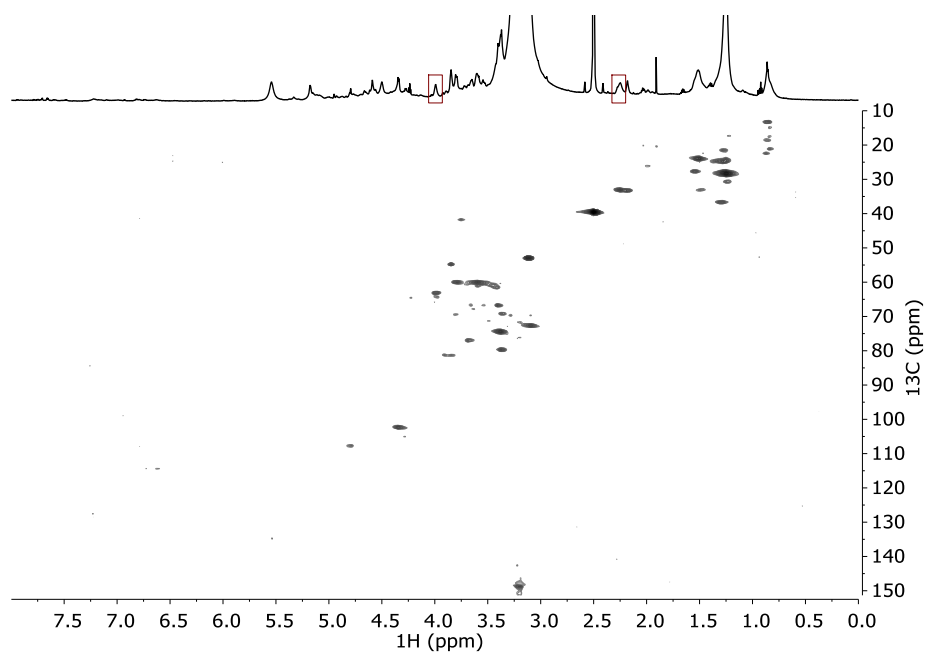
**Figure S20** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HSQC-NMR spectrum (Heteronuclear Single Quantum Coherence) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) in DMSO- $d_6$  at 60 °C. The red rectangles mark signals used for the integration of specific functional groups, all of which showed no overlap of resonances with other chemical groups as shown by the bi-dimensional NMR correlations done.



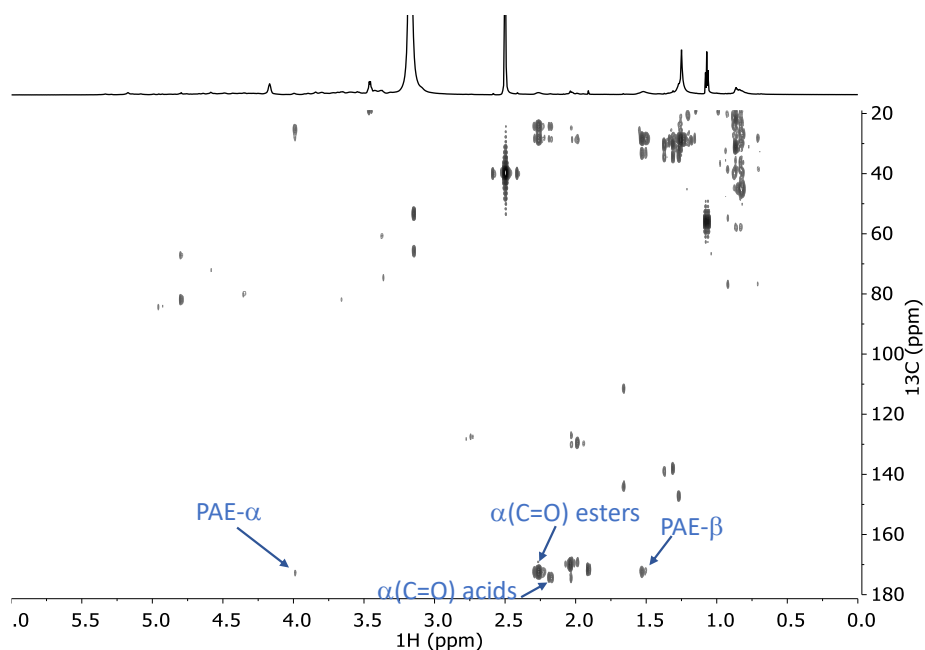
**Figure S21** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HMBC-NMR spectrum (Heteronuclear Multiple Bond Correlation) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) in DMSO- $d_6$  at 60 °C.



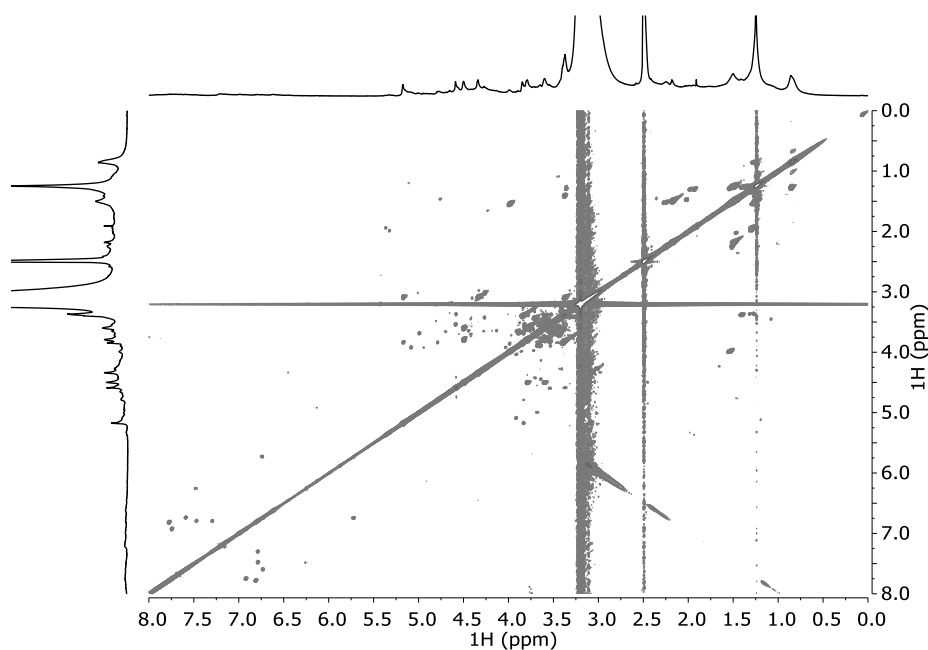
**Figure S22** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  COSY-NMR spectrum (CORrelated SpectroscopY) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) from the *cus1* mutant in DMSO- $d_6$  at 60 °C.



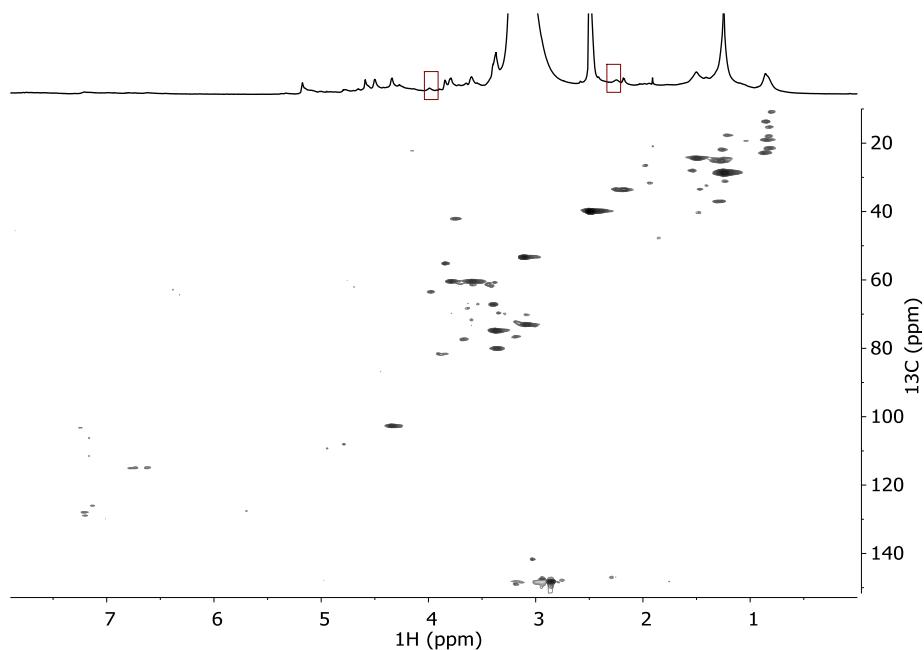
**Figure S23** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HSQC-NMR spectrum (Heteronuclear Single Quantum Coherence) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) from the *cus1* mutant in DMSO- $d_6$  at 60 °C. The red rectangles mark signals used for the integration of specific functional groups, all of which showed no overlap of resonances with other chemical groups as shown by the bi-dimensional NMR correlations done.



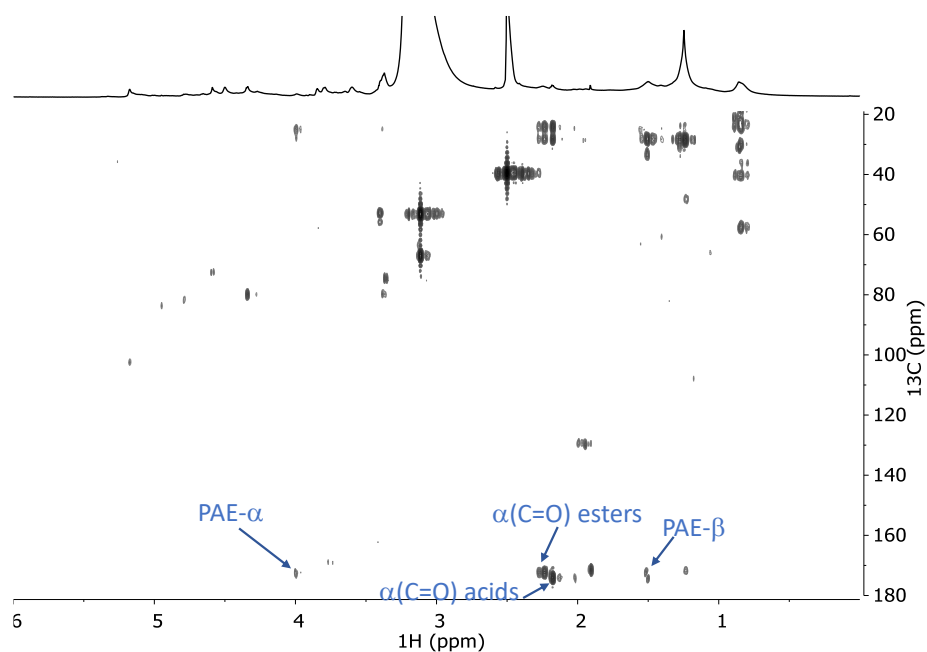
**Figure S24** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HMBC-NMR spectrum (Heteronuclear Multiple Bond Correlation) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) from the *cus1* mutant in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  at  $60^\circ\text{C}$ .



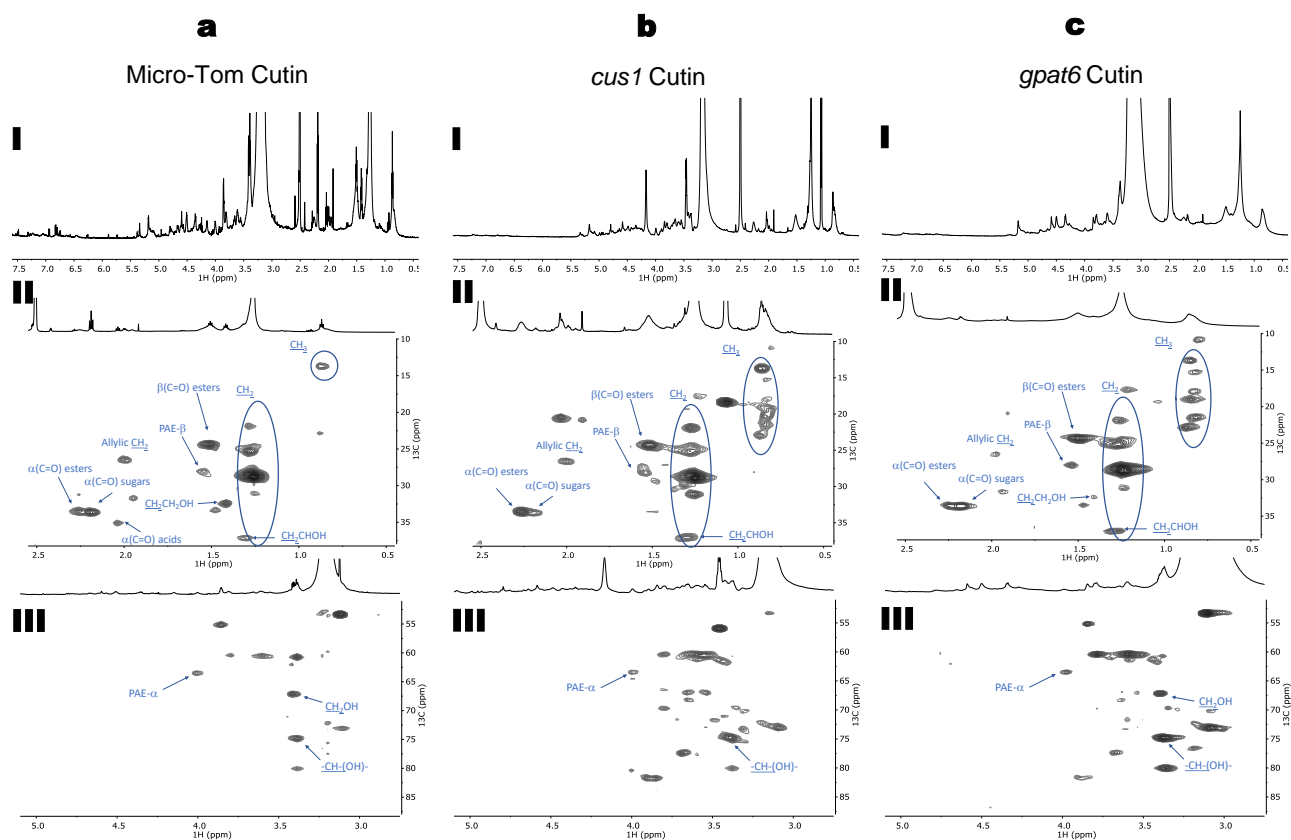
**Figure S25** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  COSY-NMR spectrum (CORrelated SpectroscopY) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) from the *gpat6* mutant in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  at  $60^\circ\text{C}$ .



**Figure S26** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HSQC-NMR spectrum (Heteronuclear Single Quantum Coherence) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) from the *gpat6* mutant in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  at 60 °C. The red rectangles mark signals used for the integration of specific functional groups, all of which showed no overlap of resonances with other chemical groups as shown by the bi-dimensional NMR correlations done.



**Figure S27** – 2D- $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  HMBC-NMR spectrum (Heteronuclear Multiple Bond Correlation) of Micro-Tom cutin isolated with cholinium hexanoate (2 h) from the *gpat6* mutant in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  at 60 °C.



**Figure S28** - Wide-ranging NMR spectral characterisation of Micro-tom cutins: wild-type (a), *cus1* (b) and *gpat6* (c) mutants; upon isolation with cholinium hexanoate (2 h). The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of all samples (I); HSQC regions corresponding to aliphatics (II) and CH/CH<sub>2</sub>-X aliphatics (III). Some correlations (unlabelled) are uncertain or unidentified.

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