

**S4 Table. Calculation of the number of moles of EDC relative to the total number of moles of SCFAs.**

[ <sup>12</sup> C-SCFA]: [ <sup>13</sup> C-SCFA]	[SCFAs], M		n (mole)		Volume ( $\mu$ L)
	<sup>12</sup> C-SCFAs	<sup>13</sup> C-SCFAs	SCFAs (total)	EDC	EDC
<b>0.50</b>	5.E-04	1.E-03	<b>4.5E-07</b>	4.5E-06	<b>3.75</b>
<b>0.80</b>	8.E-04	1.E-03	<b>5.4E-07</b>	5.4E-06	<b>4.50</b>
<b>1.00</b>	1.E-03	1.E-03	<b>6.0E-07</b>	6.0E-06	<b>5.00</b>
<b>1.25</b>	1.E-03	8.E-04	<b>5.4E-07</b>	5.4E-06	<b>4.50</b>
<b>2.00</b>	1.E-03	5.E-04	<b>4.5E-07</b>	4.5E-06	<b>3.75</b>
<b>5.00</b>	1.E-03	2.E-04	<b>3.6E-07</b>	3.6E-06	<b>3.00</b>

*Note:* Calculation are shown for six mix standard solutions with an isotope ratio ranging from 0.5 to 5, and based on 100  $\mu$ l of SCFA solution and 10 molar equivalent of 1.2 M EDC.

Numbers in bold are mentioned in the study of the “Effect of the EDC molar equivalent on observed <sup>12</sup>C:<sup>13</sup>C ratio” described in the “Materials and methods” section.