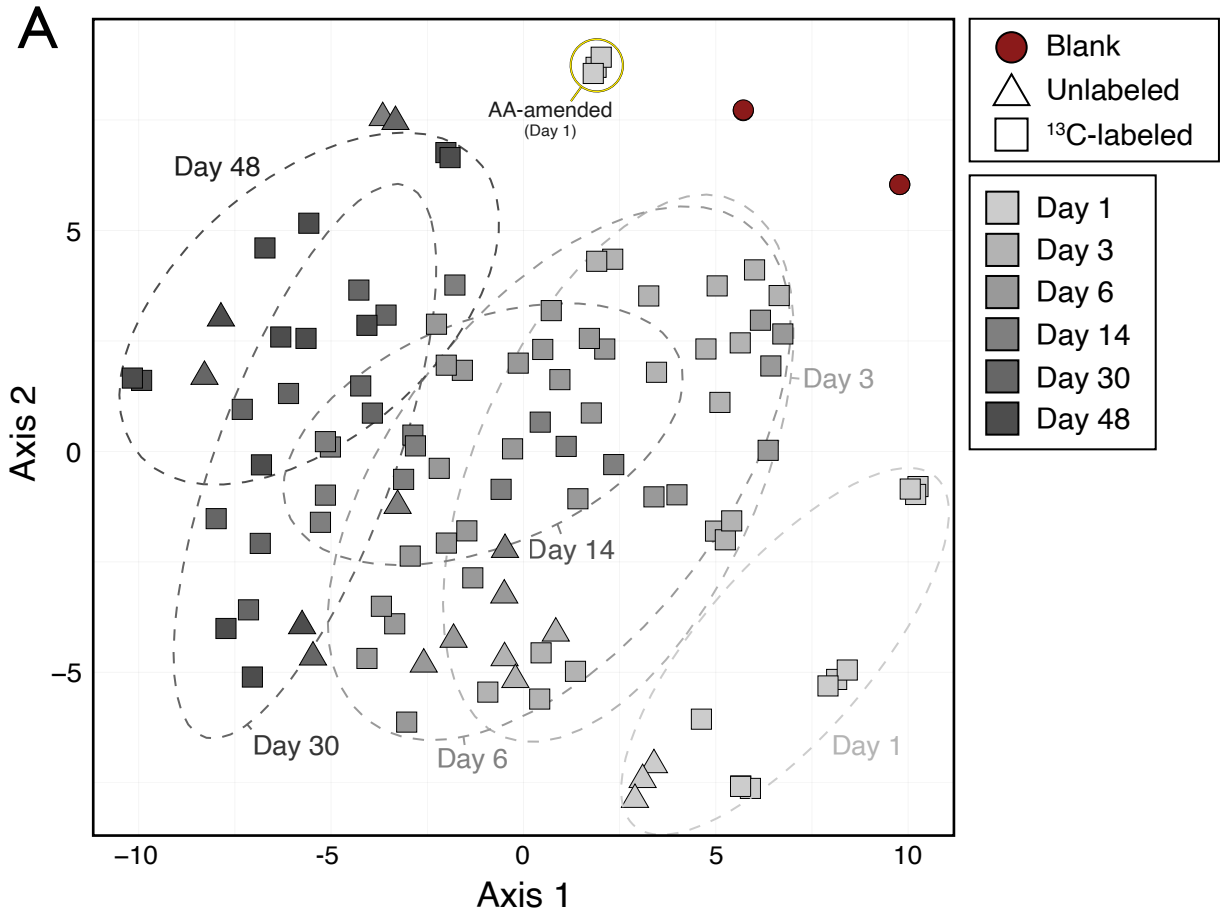


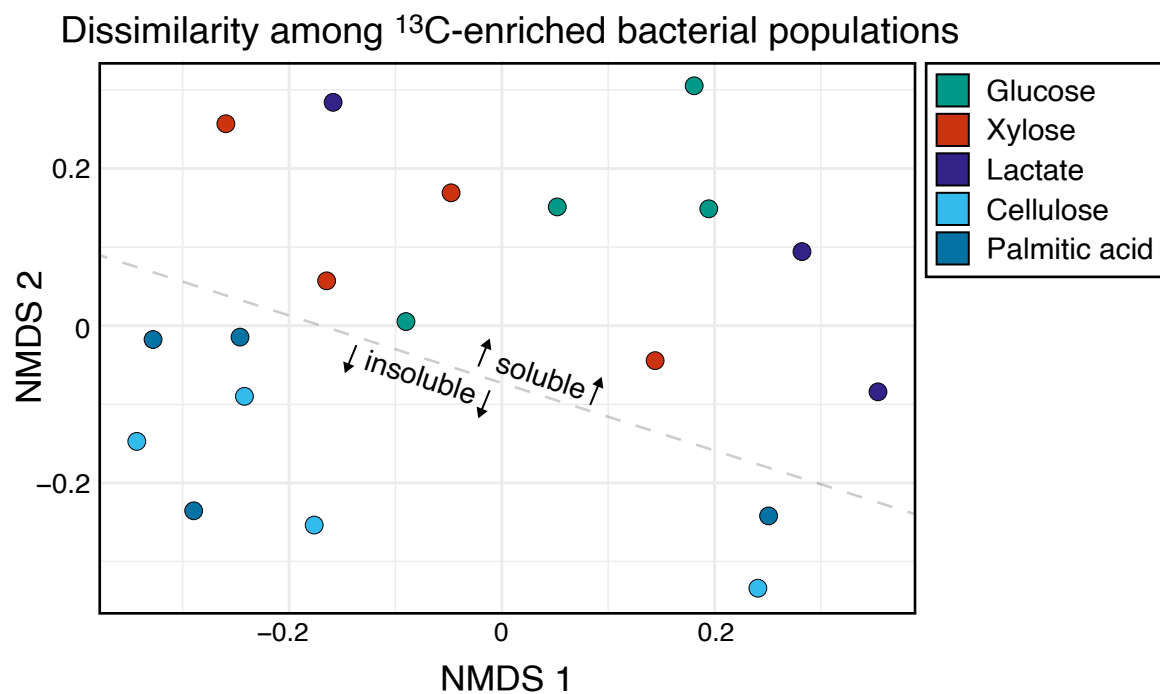
**Figure S1.** The feature profiles of all soil water extracts varied primarily according due to incubation length when compared based on the peak area ( $n = 2,003$ ). In (A), the clustering of samples based on the t-SNE multi-dimension reduction algorithm separates along the first axis according to time. In (B), PERMANOVA results show incubation time was the primary factor explaining variation in the weighted Bray-Curtis dissimilarity among metabolite profiles. In (B), Samples from day 1 were removed due to the distorting effect of  $^{13}\text{C}$ -labeled amino acids (highlighted in panel A).



**B** PERMANOVA (Peak area)

	df	$R^2$	F	$p$	
Time	4	0.401	15.4	0.001	***
Substrate	9	0.095	1.64	0.02	*
Time * substr.	21	0.139	1.02	0.47	
<i>residual</i>	56	0.364			
<i>total</i>	90	1			

**Figure S2.** An NMDS ordination showing the dissimilarity of bacterial communities which were  $^{13}\text{C}$ -labeled by soluble versus insoluble substrates. The differences in composition between populations metabolising glucose and cellulose are noteworthy, given the similarity in  $^{13}\text{C}$ -enriched metabolites shared (see Figure 2C). Bacterial community composition was determined from amplicon libraries targeting the 16S rRNA gene in the ‘heavy’ fractions of a DNA density gradient as described by Barnett *et al.*, 2022, from which the data was obtained. Each point corresponds to the composition of  $^{13}\text{C}$ -enriched populations at each sampling timepoint (see Table S1 for the sampling timepoints for each substrate). The primer pair (515F/806R) used here also amplify certain archaeal groups.



**Figure S3.** Patterns in the atom %  $^{13}\text{C}$  enrichment of benzoic and salicylic acid which were heavily enriched at the earliest timepoints in soils amended with amino acids and glucose.

