

**Table S1.** Condensed literature information for the SL-E metabolites.

Metabolite	Symbol in Model	Concentration (*)	Comments	References
3-Keto-Dihydrosphingosine (KDHS)	$X_1$	0.0053 mol%	Low level expected because it is difficult to measure levels for this metabolite by thin layer chromatography	[1], ([2], p. 30693)
Dihydrosphingosine (DHS)	$X_2$	<b>0.01 mol%</b> <sup>(b)</sup>	Ten times the DHS-P concentration ([3]). Data obtained according to the procedures for mass and species measurements in [4]	[4]
		0.53 mol%	Exponential growth phase ( $1 \times 10^7$ cells/ml)	([5], Table II)
Dihydroceramide (Dihydro-C)	$X_3$	<b>0.036 mol%</b>		[6]
		0.16 mol%	Lag phase	[7]
Dihydrosphingosine -1P (DHS-P)	$X_4$	<b>0.001 mol%</b>		([8], Fig. 3C)
		0.00278 mol%	Single measure for both S-1-P species	([9], Table 2)
Phytosphingosine (PHS)	$X_5$	<b>0.05 mol%</b>	Ten times the PHS-P concentration ([3]). Data obtained according to the procedures for mass and species measurements in [4]	[4]
		0.16 mol%	Exponential growth phase ( $1 \times 10^7$ cells/ml)	([5], Table II)
Phytosphingosine-1P (PHS-P)	$X_6$	<b>0.005 mol%</b>		([8], Fig.3C)
		0.00278 mol%	Single measurement for both S-1-P species	([9], Table 2)
Phytoceramide (Phyto-C)	$X_7$	<b>0.052 mol%</b>		[6]
		0.086 mol%	Lag phase	[7]
		4.5 mol%	$2.5 A_{600}$ that correspond to $2.5-5 \times 10^7$ cells	([10], Fig 8B)
Inositol Phosphorylceramide (IPC-g)	$X_8$	<b>0.102 mol%</b>	Value from [11] at 30°C and $2 \times 10^7$ cells/ml. Estimated as 10% of the non-plasma membrane concentration	([11], Fig 7A)
		8.4 mol%	Sum of IPC/C and IPC/D at 24°C	([10], Fig 8B)

CDP- Diacylglycerol (CDP-DAG)	$X_9$	5.4 mol%	Complete synthetic medium	([12], Table III)
Phosphatidylserine (PS)	$X_{10}$	<b>8.4 mol%</b>	Microsomes	([13], Table 2)
		9.8 mol%	Complete synthetic medium	([12], Table III)
Phosphatidic Acid (PA)	$X_{11}$	<b>3 mol%</b>	Microsomes	([13], Table 2)
		3.3 mol%	Harvested in the Late log phase	([14], Table 3)
		3.1 mol%	Complete synthetic medium	([12], Table III)
Palmitoyl-CoA (Pal-CoA)	$X_{12}$	<b>0.01 <math>\mu</math>M</b>	Low level for free long-chain acyl-CoA esters	([15], p. 100)
Serine	$X_{13}$	<b>2600 <math>\mu</math>M</b>		[12]
		2720 $\mu$ M	Rabbit liver	([16], Table 1)
<i>sn</i> -1,2-Diacylglycerol (DAG)	$X_{14}$	<b>10.7 mol%</b>	Late exponential phase for DAG and for phospholipid concentrations	([17], Fig. 1)
		0.47 mol%	Rat kidney	[18]
Phosphatidylinositol (PI)	$X_{15}$	<b>16.7 mol%</b>	Microsomes	([13], Table 2)
		4.61 mol%	Exponential growth phase ( $2 \times 10^7$ cells/ml)	([11], Fig. 8)
		7.5 mol%	Complete synthetic medium	([12], Table III)
Inositol (I)	$X_{16}$	<b>24.1 <math>\mu</math>M</b>	Cytosolic concentration	([12], , Table V)
Cytidine diphosphate-Ethanolamine (CDP-Eth)	$X_{17}$	22 $\mu$ M	Estimated using the $K_M$ of DG-Ethanolamine phosphotransferase for CDP-Eth	
Mannosylinositol Phosphorylceramide (MIPC-g)	$X_{18}$	0.14 mol%	Value from [11] at 30°C and $2 \times 10^7$ cells/ml. Estimate 10% non-plasma membrane concentration	([11] Fig. 7A)
Mannosyl-diinositol Phosphorylceramide (M(IP) <sub>2</sub> C-g)	$X_{19}$	<b>0.0085 mol%</b>	Value from [11] at 30°C and $2 \times 10^7$ cells/ml. Estimate 10% non-plasma membrane concentration	([11], Fig. 7A)
		4.2 mol%	At 24°C, not all the species measured	([10], Fig.8B)
Plasma Membrane Inositol Phosphorylceramide (IPC-m)	$X_{20}$	0.918 mol%	Value from [11] at 30°C and $2 \times 10^7$ cells/ml. Estimated as 90% of the plasma membrane concentration from [19]	([11], Fig. 7A), [19]
Plasma Membrane Mannosylinositol Phosphorylceramide (MIPC-m)	$X_{21}$	1.26 mol%	Value from [11] at 30°C and $2 \times 10^7$ cells/ml. Estimated as 90% of the plasma membrane concentration from [19]	([11], Fig. 7A), [19]

Plasma Membrane Mannosyl-dinositol Phosphorylceramide (M(IP) <sub>2</sub> C-m)	X <sub>22</sub>	0.0765 mol%	Value from [11] at 30°C and 2 × 10 <sup>7</sup> cells/ml. Estimated as 90% of the plasma membrane concentration from [19]	([11], Fig. 7A), [19]
Very Long Chain Fatty Acid (C <sub>26</sub> -CoA)	X <sub>23</sub>	0.5 mol%		([20], Fig. 2B)
Malonyl-CoA (Mal-CoA)	X <sub>24</sub>	<b>182.7 μM</b>	Ac-CoA multiplied by the relationship between rat liver Mal-CoA and Ac-CoA, which is 14.5/68.5 according to [21]	[21]
		7.73 mol%	Concentration with respect to long and very long species C <sub>22:0</sub> , C <sub>24:0</sub> and, C <sub>26:0</sub>	([22], Table VI)
		1740 μM	1:2 Acetyl-CoA: Malonyl-CoA <i>in vitro</i> relationship	[23]
Acetyl-CoA (Ac-CoA)	X <sub>25</sub>	870 μM	Table 2 reported 2.5 mM/gr dw. Converted to μM using RS <sup>d</sup> Y <sub>sx</sub> from Table 4 and “O” from Fig 2	([24], Tables 2 & 4), ([25], Fig. 2)
3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl-coenzyme A (HMG-CoA)	X <sub>26</sub>	0.1 μM	Below detection limit during growth in glucose medium in [26]	[26]
Mevalonate	X <sub>27</sub>	0.1 μM	Low level; estimated	N/A
Farnesyl-PP	X <sub>28</sub>	0.1 μM	Low level; estimated. No large changes were found under different experimental conditions in [27] for mouse and rat	[27]
Squalene	X <sub>29</sub>	0.283 % total sterols	Wild-type Ergosterol / Squalene relationship was expressed as : ER ergosterol × 0.05 % (w/w) / 1.67 % (w/w) = 23.7 × 0.05 / 1,67 = 0.712	([28], Fig. 2)
Lanosterol	X <sub>30</sub>	<b>1.9 % total sterols</b> <sup>(Ω)</sup>	M30 microsomal fraction	([29], Table 3)
		4.0 % total sterols		([30], Table 2)
		3.8 % total sterols		[31]
Zymosterol	X <sub>31</sub>	<b>6.4 % total sterols</b>	M30 microsomal fraction	([29], Table 3)
		12 % total sterols		([30], Table 2)
Ergosterol-ER	X <sub>32</sub>	<b>9.51 % total sterols</b>	PM Ergosterol from [29]; average relationship of 10:1 between the PM and ER from [32] 95.1 / 10 = 9.51	([29], Table 3), ([32], Fig. 4)
		60.2 % total sterols		([29], Table 3)
		43 % total sterols		([30], Table 2)
		77 % total sterols		[31]

Steryl Lanosterol	$X_{33}$	3.4 % total sterols		[(29), Table 3)
Steryl Zymosterol	$X_{34}$	13.1 % total sterols		[(29), Table 3)
Steryl Ergosterol-1	$X_{35}$	41.13 % total sterols	Assumed as the biggest sub-population with 90% of the total Steryl Ergosterol pool, this yields $45.7 \times 0.9 = 41.13$ % total sterols	[(29), Table 3)
Outer PM Ergosterol	$X_{36}$	4.755 % total sterols	PM Ergosterol from [29]. multiplied by the PM ergosterol non-DIG associated relationship from [32]. The value is split in half representing the PM outer ergosterol concentration $95.1 \times 0.1 \times 0.5 = 4.755$ % total sterols	[(29), Table 3), ([32], Fig. 4)
Outer PM Ergosterol DIM associated (Ergosterol-r)	$X_{37}$	42.795 % total sterols	PM Ergosterol from [29]. multiplied by the PM ergosterol DIG associated relationship from [32]. The value is split in half representing the PM outer ergosterol concentration: $95.1 \times 0.9 \times 0.5 = 42.795$ % total sterols	[(29), Table 3), ([32], Fig. 4)
Internal Acetate (Acetate Int.)	$X_{38}$	3086 $\mu\text{M}$	Value at 5 hrs during respiro-fermentative phase	[(33), Fig. 2C)
Inner PM Ergosterol (Ergosterol-i)	$X_{39}$	47.55 % total sterols	PM Ergosterol from [29]. multiplied by 0.5 representing the PM outer ergosterol concentration: $95.1 \times 0.5 = 47.55$ % total sterols	[(29), Table 3), ([32], Fig. 4)
Steryl Ergosterol-2	$X_{40}$	4.57 % total sterols	Assumed as the smallest sub-population with 10% of the total Steryl Ergosterol pool, this yields $45.7 \times 0.1 = 4.57$ % total sterols	[(29), Table 3)
Pyruvate	$X_{124}$	227 $\mu\text{M}$		[(34), Fig. 2)
External Acetate (Acetate Ext)	$X_{125}$	<b>1250 <math>\mu\text{M}</math></b>	Assumed as the rich broth medium acetate concentration used in Taylor and Parks [35]	[(33), Fig. 2C)
		0.01 $\mu\text{M}$	Calculated based on a low external acetate concentration of 1 $\mu\text{M}$ under aerobic exponential growth conditions: acetate pK of 4.75, internal pH of 6.75 and external pH of 4	[(36), Fig. 6 & Eq. 1)
Adenosine-5'-Triphosphate (ATP)	$X_{128}$	<b>1100 <math>\mu\text{M}</math></b>		[(37), Table II)
		850 $\mu\text{M}$	Permeabilized yeast cells	[(38), Fig. 4)
3-Phosphoserine (3-P-Serine)	$X_{137}$	<b>446 <math>\mu\text{M}</math></b>	Rabbit liver	[(16), Table 1)
Glucose-6-P (G6P)	$X_{147}$	<b>1176 <math>\mu\text{M}</math></b>	Exponential growth	[(34), Fig. 2)
		1000 $\mu\text{M}$	Permeabilized cells	[(38), Fig. 4)
Palmitate	$X_{158}$	<b>0.05 <math>\mu\text{M}</math></b>	Estimate	
CoA	$X_{161}$	<b>60 <math>\mu\text{M}</math></b>	Physiological level in rat liver	[39]
		100 $\mu\text{M}$	<i>Dictyostelium discoideum</i>	[40]
Serine Ext.	$X_{166}$	<b>4000 <math>\mu\text{M}</math></b>		[3]

(Φ) Where the literature reports more than one value reported for the same parameter, the value in bold type is used in the model.

(\*) mol% = concentration of sphingoid base or phosphatidate / concentration of total phospholipid.

(†) U/mg =  $\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}/\text{mg}$ .

(Ω) Percent with respect the total sterol amount for the *S. cerevisiae* wild type strain.

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