

## *Supplementary Material*

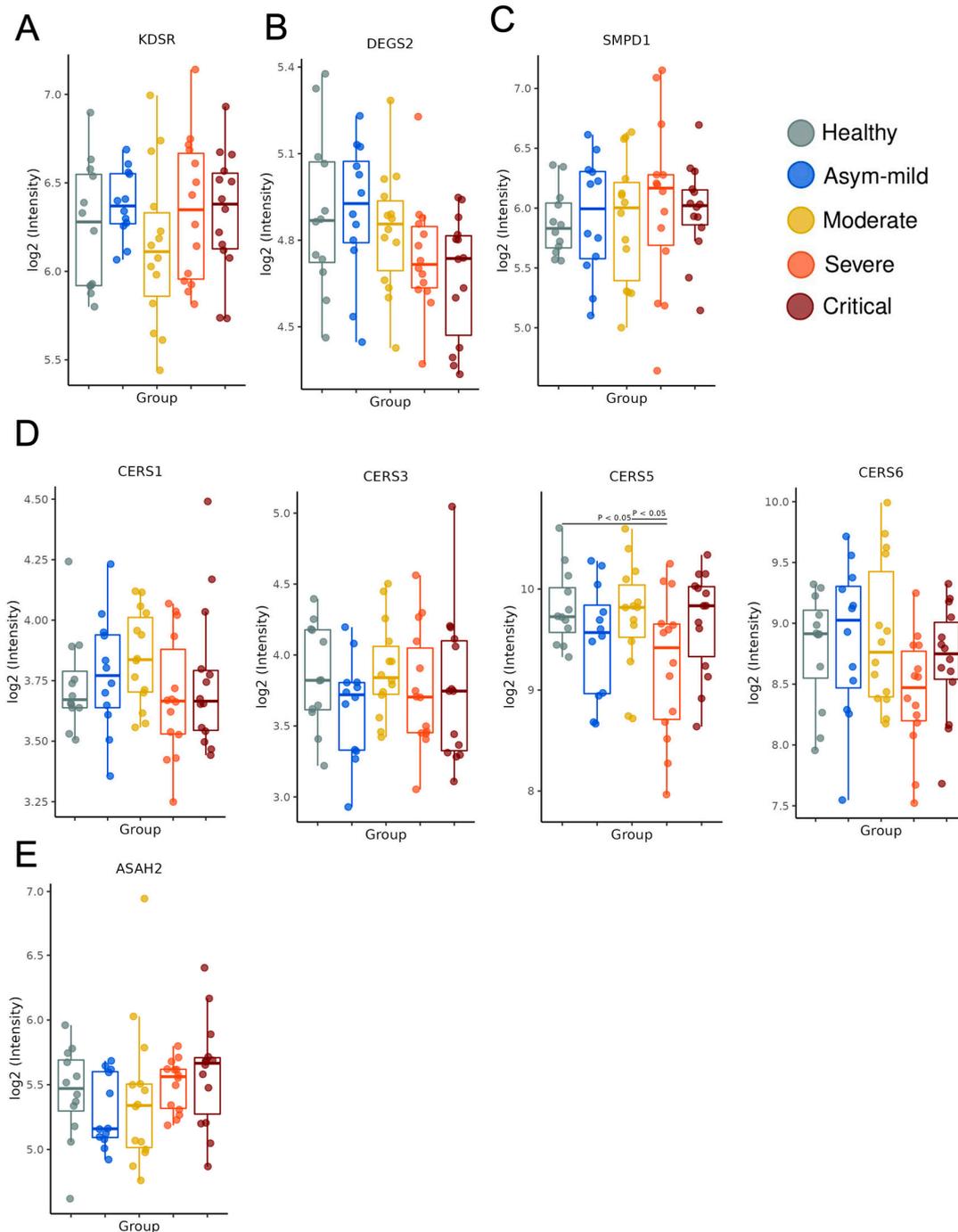
### **Plasma Sphingomyelin Disturbances: Unveiling Its Dual Role as a Crucial Immunopathological Factor and a Severity Prognostic Biomarker in COVID-19**

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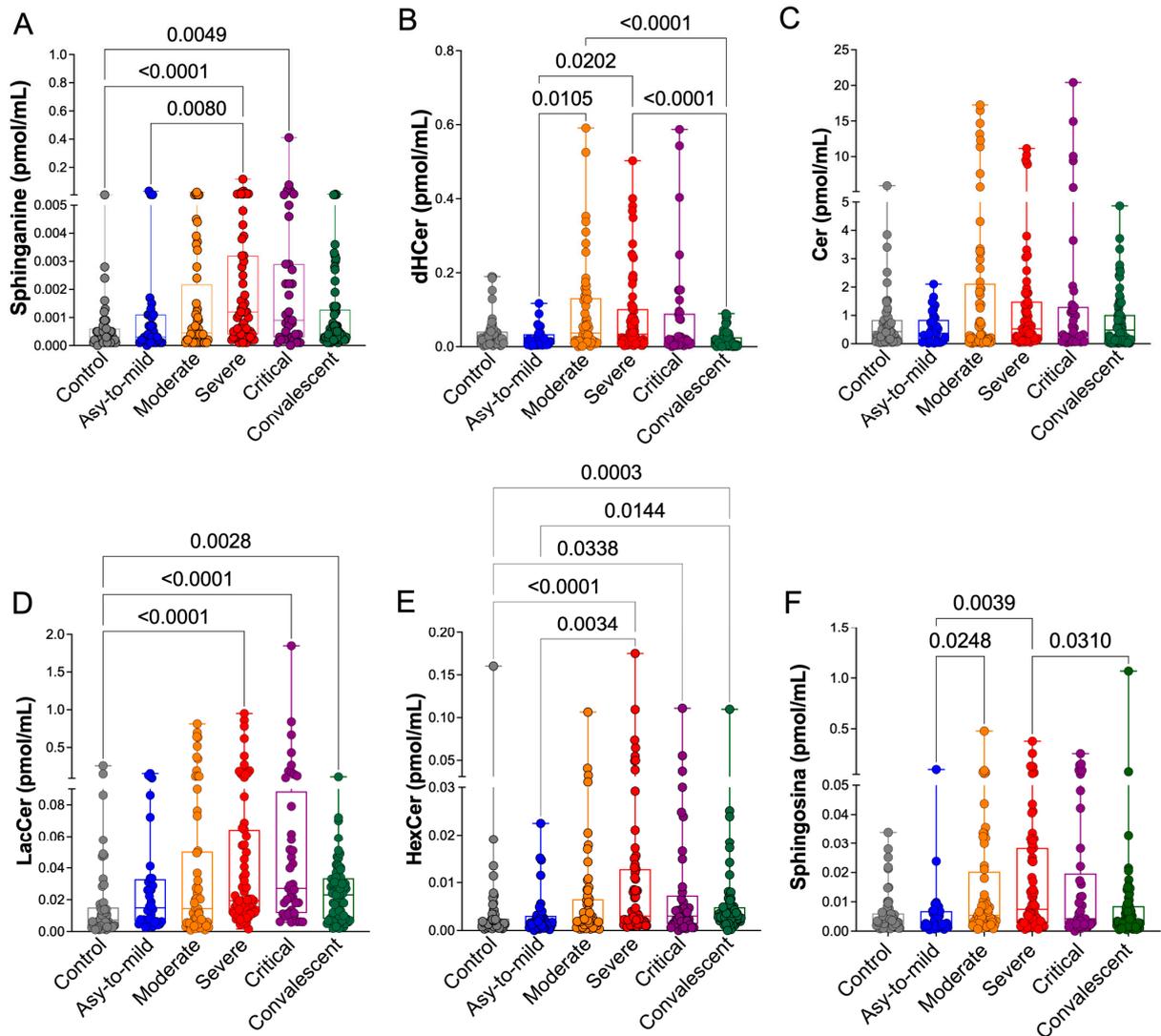
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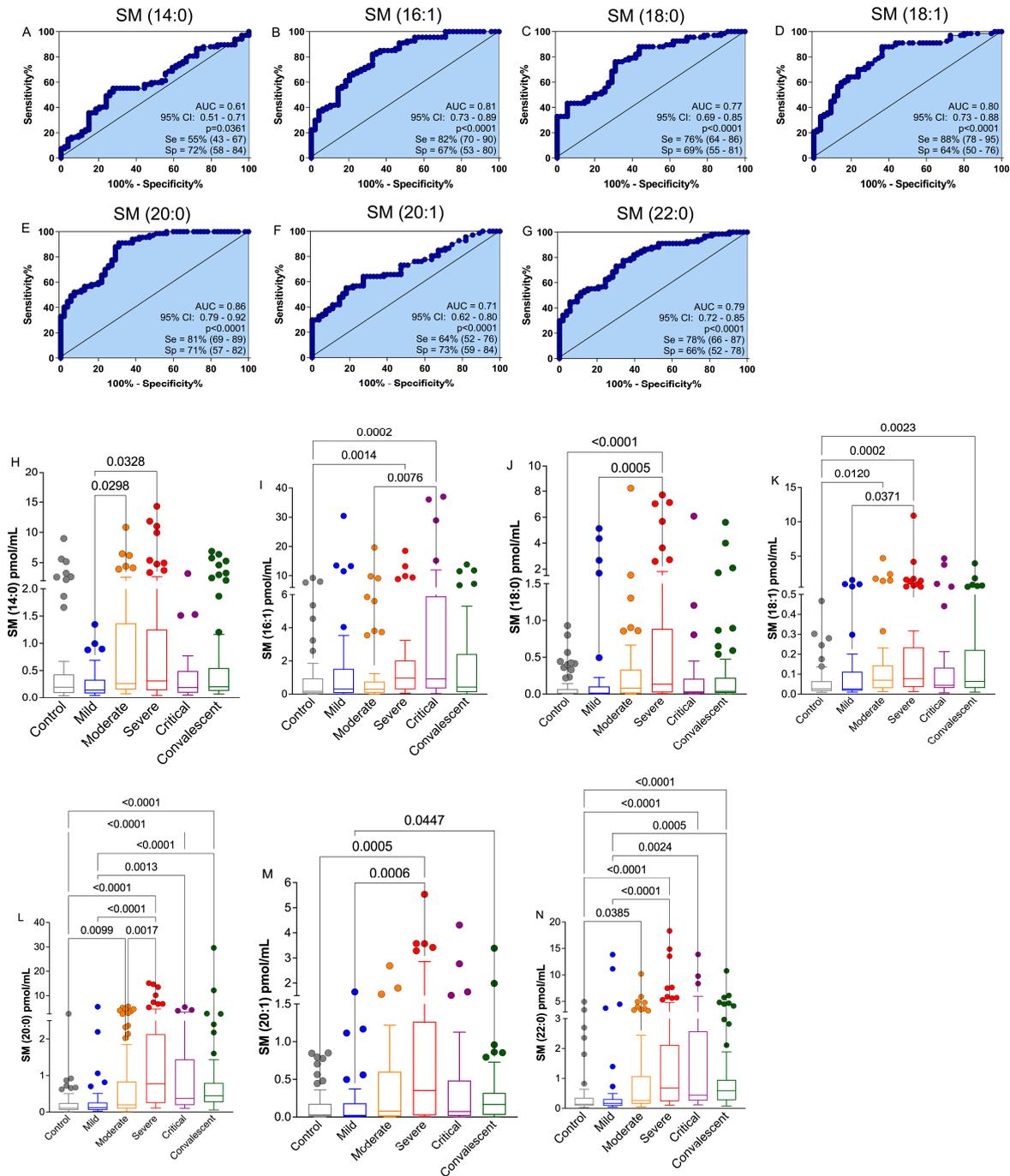
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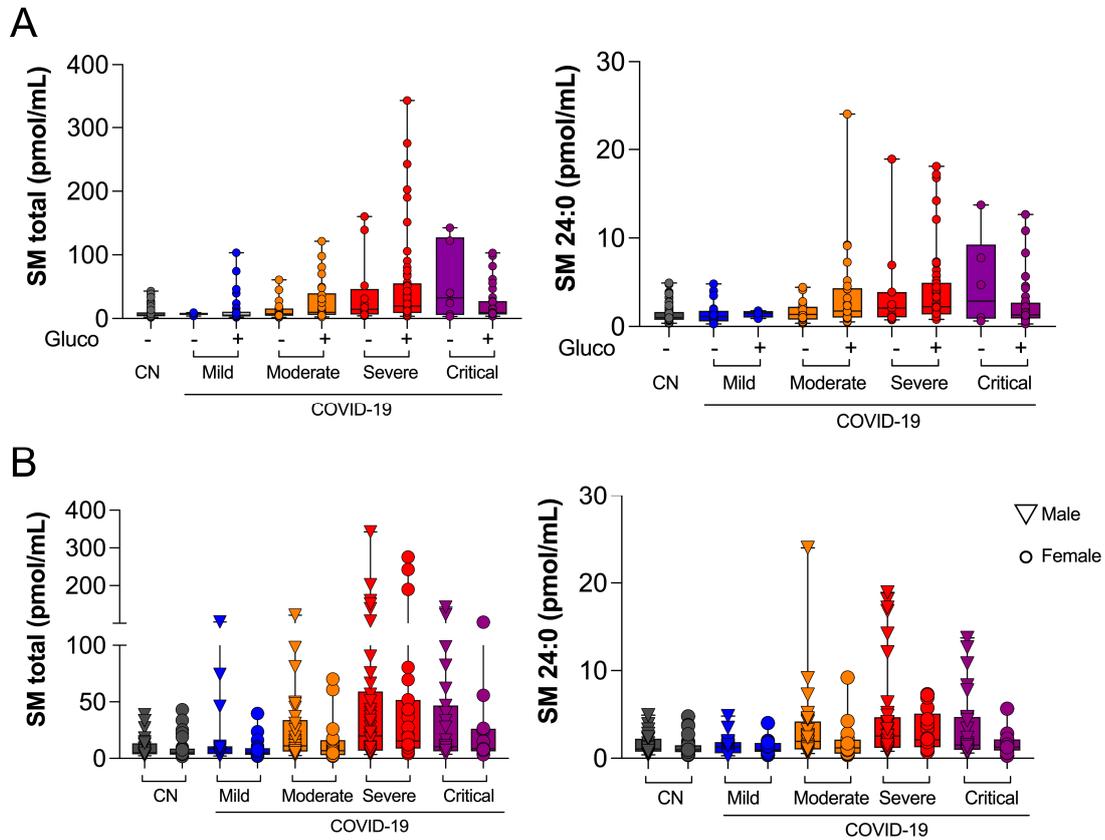
**Supplementary Figure S1. Expression of sphingolipid metabolic enzymes in patients with COVID-19 according to severity.** (A) 3-ketodihydrospingosine reductase (*KDSR*), (B) Sphingolipid delta (4)-desaturase DES2 (*DEGS2*), (C) Sphingomyelin phosphodiesterase (*SMPD* 1), (D) Ceramide synthase 1, 3, 4, 5 (*CERS1/3/5/6*), (E) N-acylsphingosine amidohydrolase 2 (*ASAH2*), in: Control (n=12), Asy-to-mild (n=12), moderate (n=14), severe (n=14) and critical (n=14). The log<sub>2</sub> of normalized gene expression profiles for analyzed groups at are showed as boxplots. Significant differences in transcript expression correspond to Benjamini and Hockberg adjusted p-values obtained from whole transcriptome differential expression analysis considering a threshold of < 0.05 in at least one pair of clinical groups. Details of enzyme nomenclatures Supplementary Table 4.



**Supplementary Figure S2. Sphingolipids abundance profile in patients with COVID-19.** LC-MS/MS measurements for (A) Sphinganine (18:0), (B) dihydroceramide (dHCer), (C) Ceramide (Cer), (D) Lactosylceramide 16:0 (LacCer), (E) Hexaglycosylceramide (HexCer) and (F) Sphingosine. Statistical analyzes were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis multiple comparison test (non-parametric), followed by the Dunn post-test for pairwise comparison. Data are expressed as median in boxplot graphics. Significance levels shown are based on statistically significant between groups with  $p$ -value < 0.05.



**Supplementary Figure S3. ROC curves and Analysis of serum abundance sphingomyelin (SM) species (14:0), (16:1), (18:0), (18:1), (20:0), (20:1) and (22:0) in COVID-19.** (A-G) ROC curves for sphingomyelin species (SM) in patients with severe forms of Covid-19. The curves compare the severe patients groups (n= 67) with the control (n=55). AUC: area under the curve; Se: sensitivity; Sp: specificity; CI: 95% confidence interval. (H-N) sphingomyelin class profile in control subjects compared to patients with COVID-19 and convalescents in: mild (n=36), moderate (n=60), severe (n=67), critical (n=41) and Convalescent individuals (n=77). Statistical analyzes were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis multiple comparison test (non-parametric), followed by the Dunn post-test for pairwise comparison. Data are expressed as median in boxplot graphics with minimum and maximum values. Significance levels shown are based on statistically significant between groups with  $p$ -value < 0.05.



**Supplementary Figure S4. Glucocorticoid therapy and sex differences have no impact on total SM and (24:0)-specie production.** Analysis of total sphingomyelin and SM (24:0) levels in relation to the use of (A) glucocorticoids and (B) male and female sex. Statistical analyzes were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis multiple comparison test (non-parametric), followed by the Dunn post-test for pairwise comparison. Data are expressed as median in boxplot graphics. Significance levels shown are based on statistically significant between groups with  $p$ -value  $< 0.05$ .

$$(I) AUC_{n(k)total} = AUC_{n(k)} \left( 1 + 0.0109n + \frac{0.0109^2 n(n-1)}{2} \right)$$

$$(II) C_{lipid} = \frac{AUC_{lipid}}{AUC_{IS}} * C_{IS}$$

**Supplementary Figure S5. Lipid quantification using internal standard and monoisotopic correction. (I)** Monoisotopic correction:  $AUC_{n(k)total}$  = corrected analyte area under the curve,  $AUC_{n(k)}$  = quantified analyte monoisotopic mass area under the curve,  $n$  = number of C atoms,  $k$  = number of double bonds, **(II)** Lipid quantification based on the internal standard:  $C_{lipid}$  = analyte concentration (pmol/mL),  $AUC_{lipid}$  = monoisotopically corrected analyte area under the curve by Equation I ( $AUC_{n(k)total}$ ),  $AUC_{IS}$  = area under the curve of internal standard corresponding to the analyte family,  $C_{IS}$  = internal standard concentration according to the Certificate of Analysis (Lot Number: LM6004-LM40-112A, Avanti Polar Lipids) [29].

**Supplementary Table S1:** Sphingolipid subclasses and species detected in our cohort.

Subclasses	Number of species	Species Description
<b>Ceramide</b>	9	Cer (16:0), Cer (18:0), Cer (18:1), Cer (20:0), Cer (22:0), Cer (23:0), Cer (24:0), Cer (24:1), Cer (25:0)
<b>Sphingosine</b>	2	Sphingosine (14:0), Sphingosine (18:0)
<b>Sphinganine</b>	1	Sphinganine (18:0)
<b>Sphingomyelin (SM)</b>	17	SM (14:0), SM (16:0), SM (16:1), SM (18:0), SM (18:1), SM (20:0), SM (20:1), SM (22:0), SM (22:1), SM (23:0), SM (23:1), SM (24:0), SM (24:1), SM (25:0), SM (25:1), SM (26:0), SM (26:1).
<b>Hexglycosylceramide (HexCer)</b>	2	HexCer (16:0), HexCer (24:0)
<b>Lactosylceramide (LacCer)</b>	2	LacCer (16:0), LacCer(d18:1/14:0)
<b>Dihydroceramide (dHCer)</b>	5	dHCer(d18:0/16:0), dHCer(d18:0/18:0), dHCer(d18:0/24:0), dHCer(d20:0/16:0), dHCer(d20:0/22:0)
Total	38	

**Supplementary Table S2.** Target high-resolution mass spectrometry parameters for SL species.

Experiment	Precursor ion (m/z)	Analyte	Internal Standard	Fragment ion (m/z)
1	100-2000	TOF-MS (untargeted)	-	-
2	552,5	Ceramide (d18:1/17:0)	<i>IS</i>	534.5237-534.5297
3	647,5	SM (d18:1/12:0)	<i>IS Mix II (Avanti)</i>	184.0703-184.0753
4	286,2	Sphingosine C17:0	<i>IS Mix II (Avanti)</i>	268.2623-268.2663
5	288,2	Sphinganine C17:0	<i>IS Mix II (Avanti)</i>	270.2750-270.2810
6	368,2	Sphinganine-1-P C17:0	<i>IS Mix II (Avanti)</i>	270.2750-270.2830
7	482,4	Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)	<i>IS Mix II (Avanti)</i>	264.2653-264.2703
8	644,5	GlcCer (d18:1/12:0)	<i>IS Mix II (Avanti)</i>	264.2652-264.26702
9	806,5	LacCer (d18:1/12:0)	<i>IS Mix II (Avanti)</i>	264.2652-264.26702
10	538,5	Ceramide (d18:1/16:0)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26710
11	566,5	Ceramide (d18:1/18:0)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26704
12	648,6	Ceramide (d18:1/24:1)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26802
13	650,6	Ceramide (d18:1/24:0)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26702
14	664,4	Ceramide (d18:1/25:0)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26702
15	700,5	GlcCer (d18:1/16:0)	<i>GlcCer (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26702
16	728,6	GlcCer (d18:1/18:0)	<i>GlcCer (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26702
17	810,6	GlcCer (d18:1/24:1)	<i>GlcCer (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26702
18	731,6	SM (d18:1/18:0)	<i>SM (d18:1/12:0)</i>	184.0703 - 184.0753
19	815,7	SM (d18:1/24:0)	<i>SM (d18:1/12:0)</i>	184.0703 - 184.0753
20	862,6	LacCer (d18:1/16:0)	<i>LacCer (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26702
21	974,7	LacCer (d18:124:0)	<i>LacCer (d18:1/12:0)</i>	264.2652 - 264.26702
22	300,3	Sphingosine C18:0	<i>Sphingosine C17:0</i>	282.2480 - 282.2530
23	272,2	Sphingosine C16:0	<i>Sphingosine C17:0</i>	254.2164 - 254.2214
24	244,2	Sphingosine C14:0	<i>Sphingosine C17:0</i>	226.1765 - 226.1815
25	302,2	Sphinganine C18:0	<i>Sphinganine C17:0</i>	284.2912 - 284.2952
26	274,2	Sphinganine C16:0	<i>Sphinganine C17:0</i>	256.2612 - 256.2652
27	382,2	Sphinganine-1-P C18:0	<i>Sphinganine-1-P C17:0</i>	364.2120 - 364.2160
28	354,2	Sphinganine-1-P C16:0	<i>Sphinganine-1-P C17:0</i>	336.2298 - 336.2338
29	356,35	Sphingosine C22:1	<i>Sphingosine C17:0</i>	338.3500 - 338.3540
30	328,3	Sphingosine C20:1	<i>Sphingosine C17:0</i>	310.3000 - 310.3040
31	330,3	Sphinganine C20:0	<i>Sphinganine C17:0</i>	214.3000 - 214.3040
32	410,3	Sphinganine-1-P C20:0	<i>Sphinganine C17:0</i>	392.3000 - 392.3040
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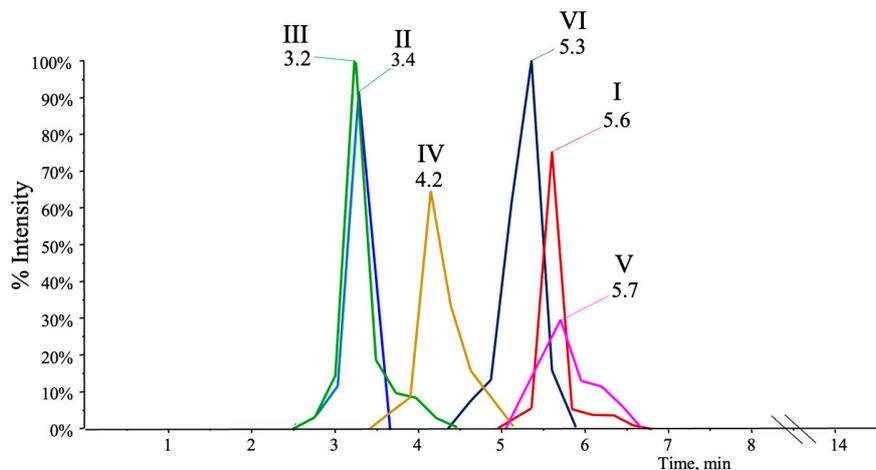
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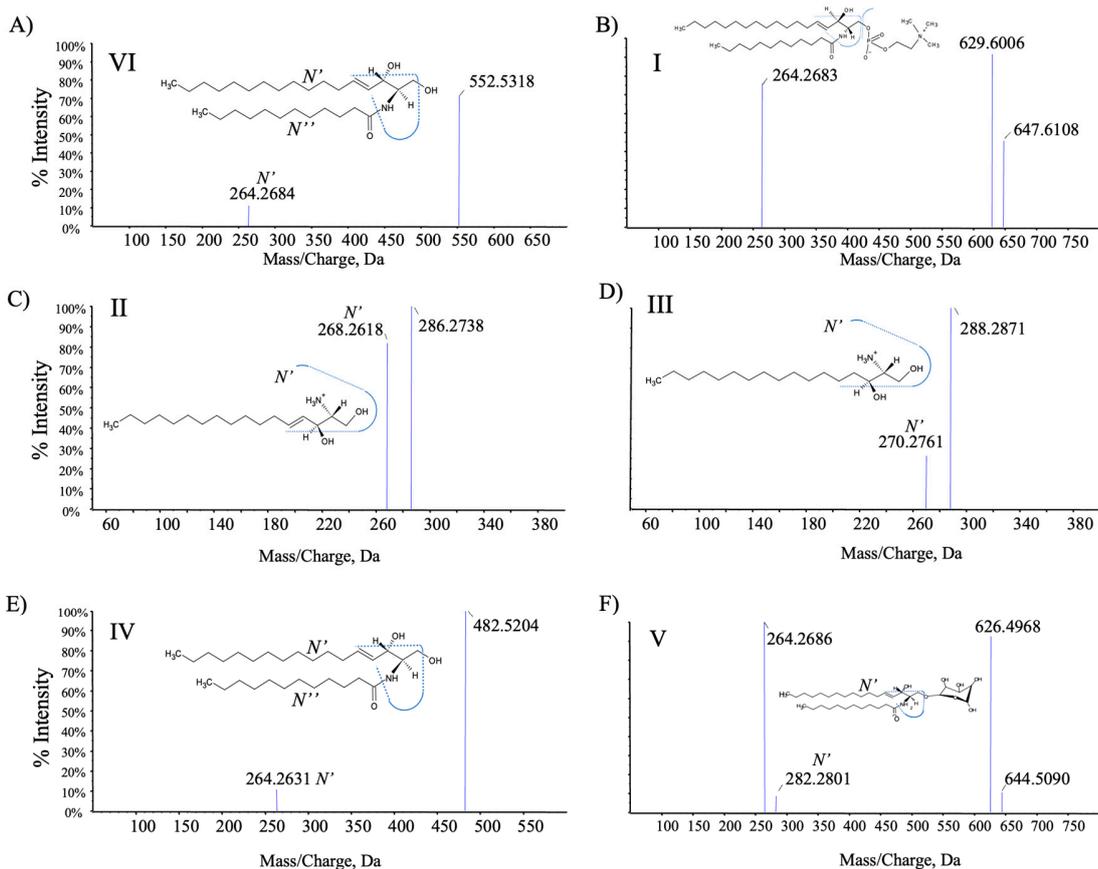
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111	678,6759	dHCer (d18:0/26:1(17Z))	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	284.2943 - 284.2983
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123	624,6289	dHCer (d20:0/20:0)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	284.2943 - 284.2984
124	652,6602	dHCer (d20:0/22:0)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	284.2943 - 284.2985
125	680,6915	dHCer (d20:0/24:0)	<i>Ceramide (d18:1/12:0)</i>	284.2943 - 284.2986
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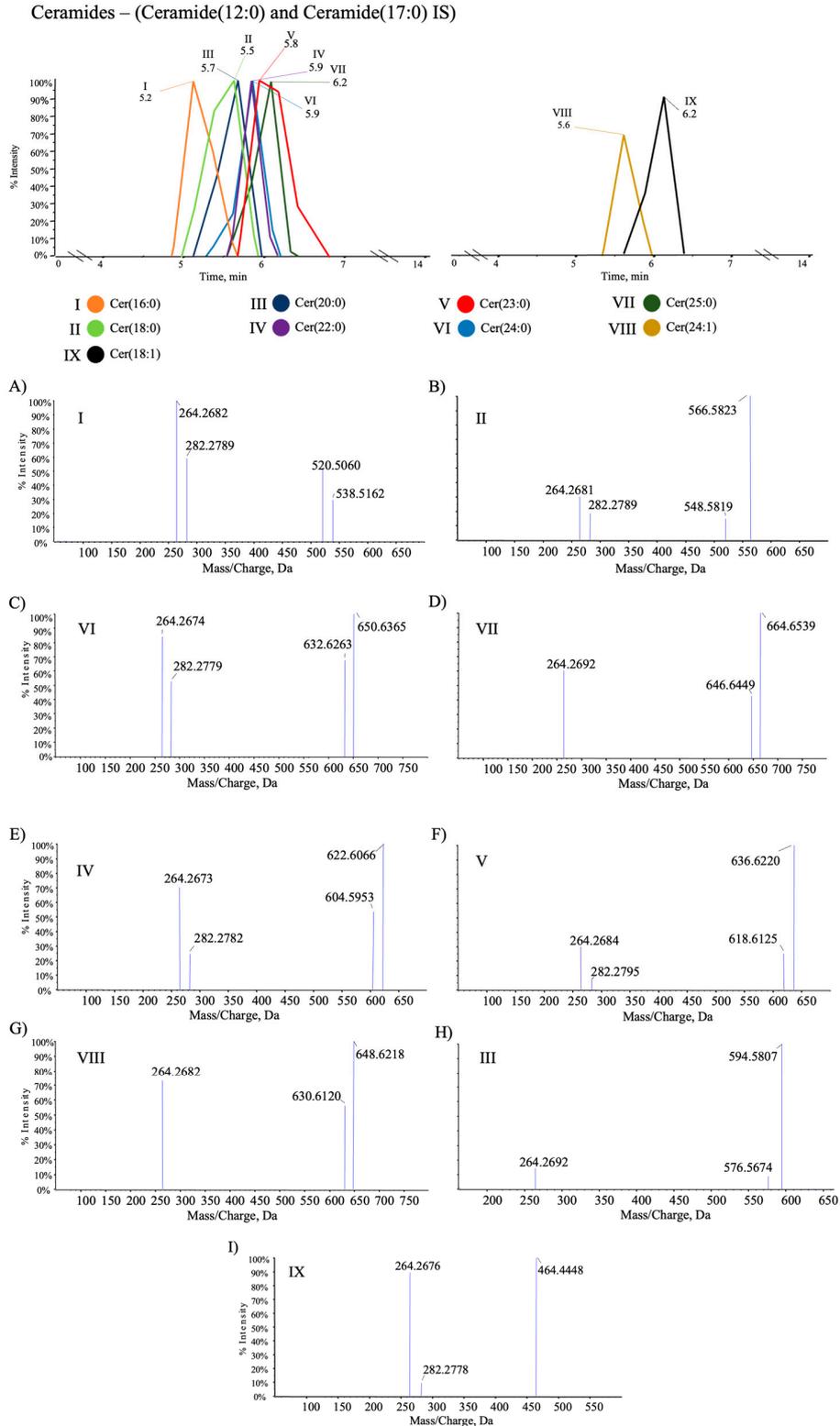
## Internal standards (IS)



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|-----|-------------------|----|------------------------|
| I   | ● SM(d18:1/12:0)  | IV | ● Ceramide(C12:0)      |
| II  | ● Sphingosine C17 | V  | ● GalacCeramide(C12:0) |
| III | ● Sphinganine C17 | VI | ● Ceramide(C17:0)      |

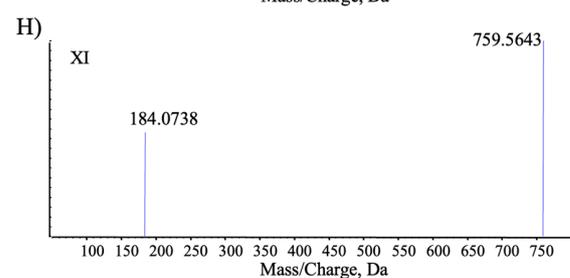
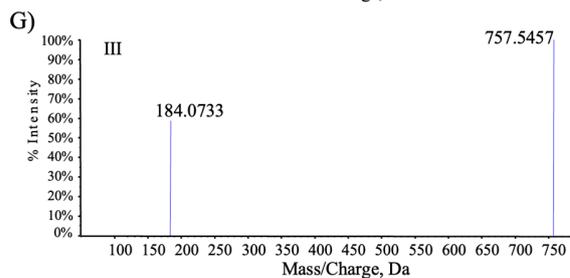
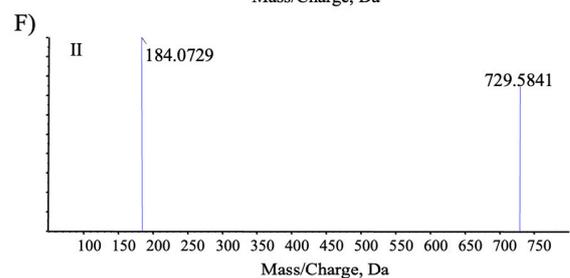
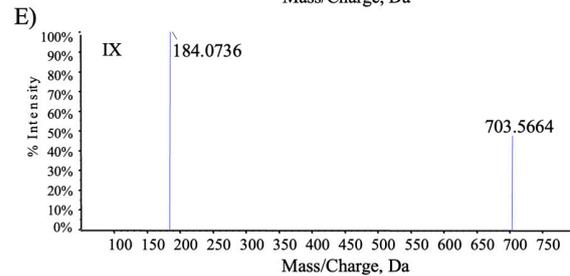
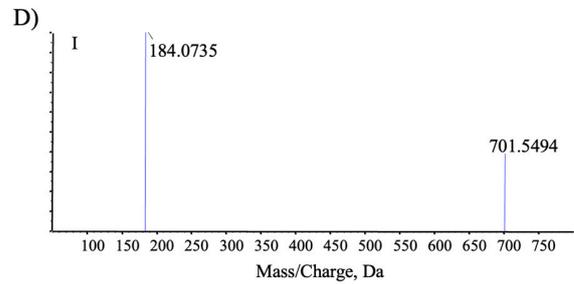
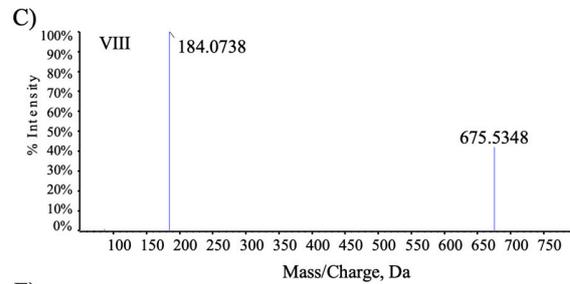
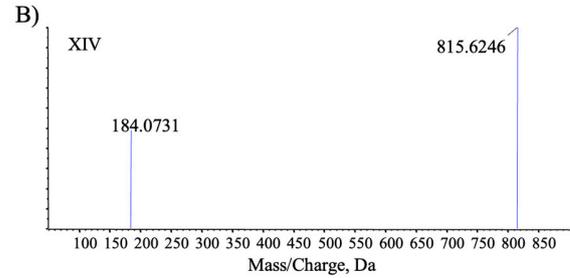
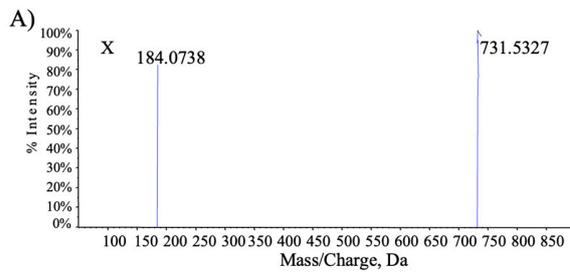
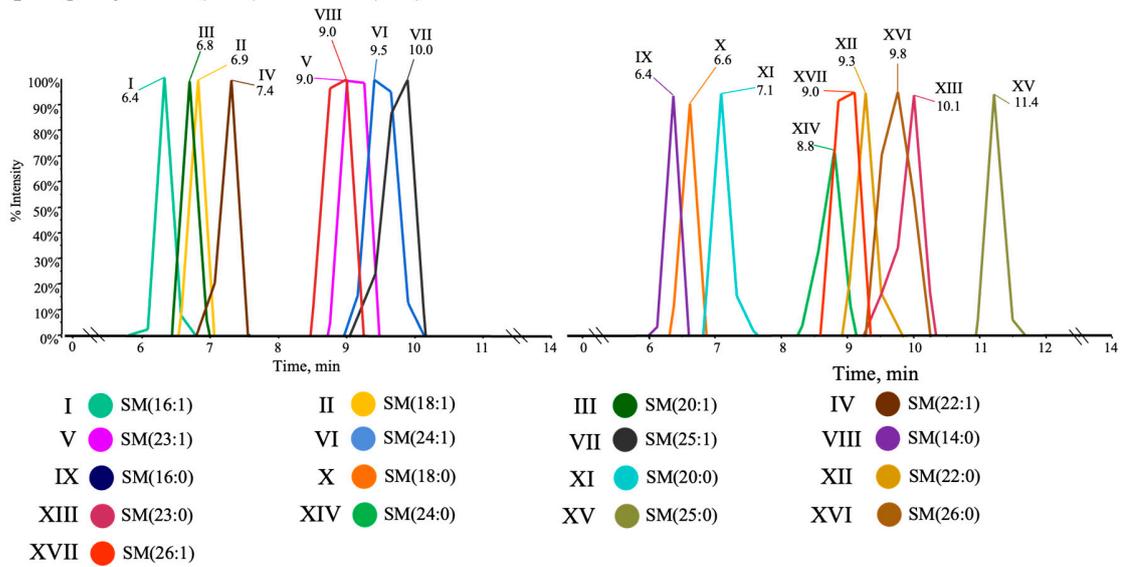


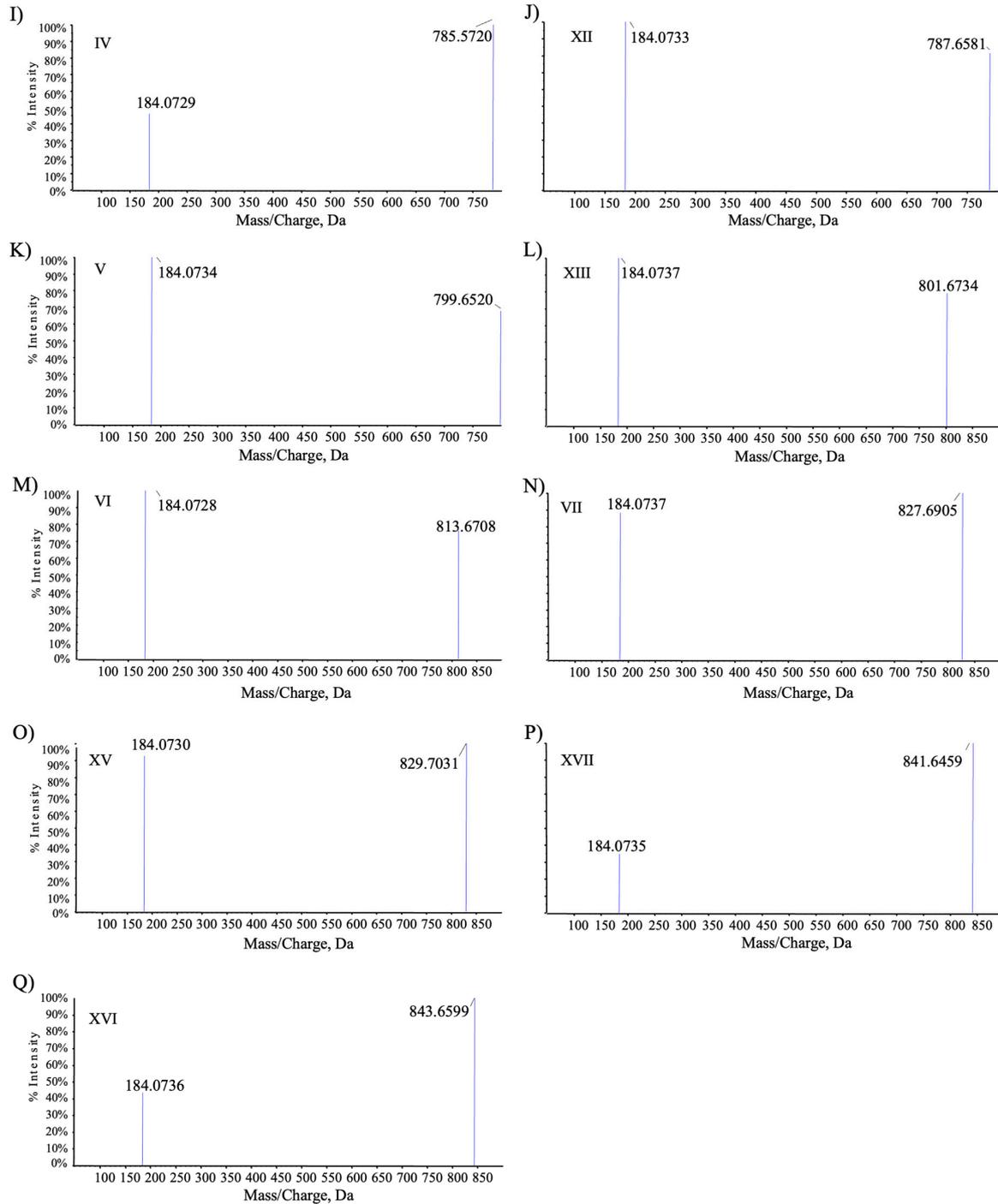
**Supplementary Figure S6. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of internal standards used as reference for analysis.** (I) Sphingomyelin (d18:0/12:0). (II) Sphingosine (17:0). (III) Sphinganine (17:0). (IV) Ceramide (12:0). (V) Galactosylceramide (12:0). (VI) Ceramide (17:0).



**Supplementary Figure S7. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of detected ceramides. (I) Ceramide (16:0). (II) Ceramide (18:0). (III) Ceramide (20:0). (IV) Ceramide (22:0). (V) Ceramide (23:0). (VI) Ceramide (24:0). (VII) Ceramide (25:0). (VIII) Ceramide (24:1). (IX) Ceramide (18:1).**

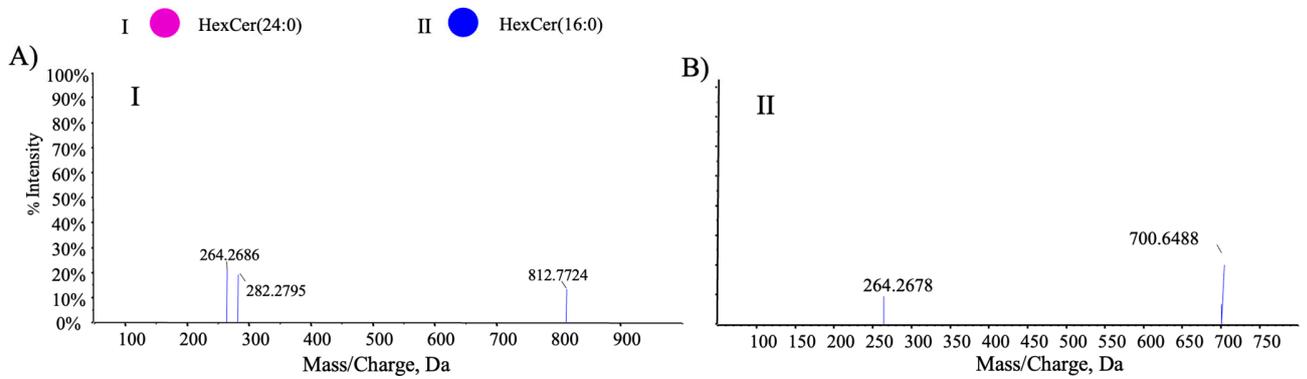
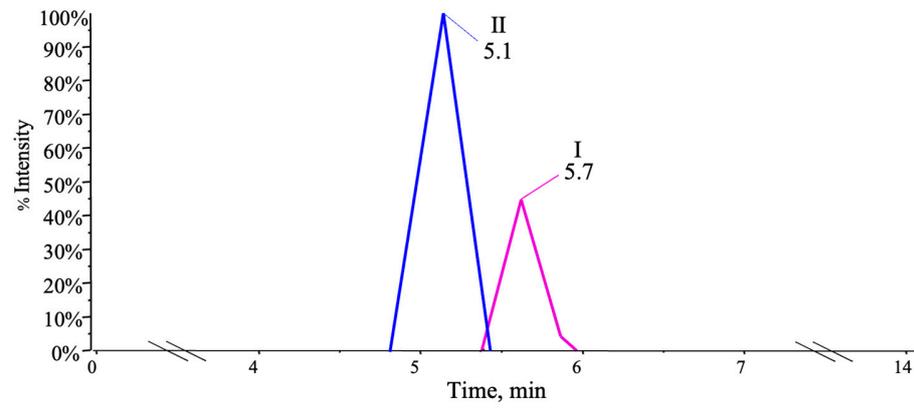
### Sphingomyelin – (SM(d18:1/12:0) IS)





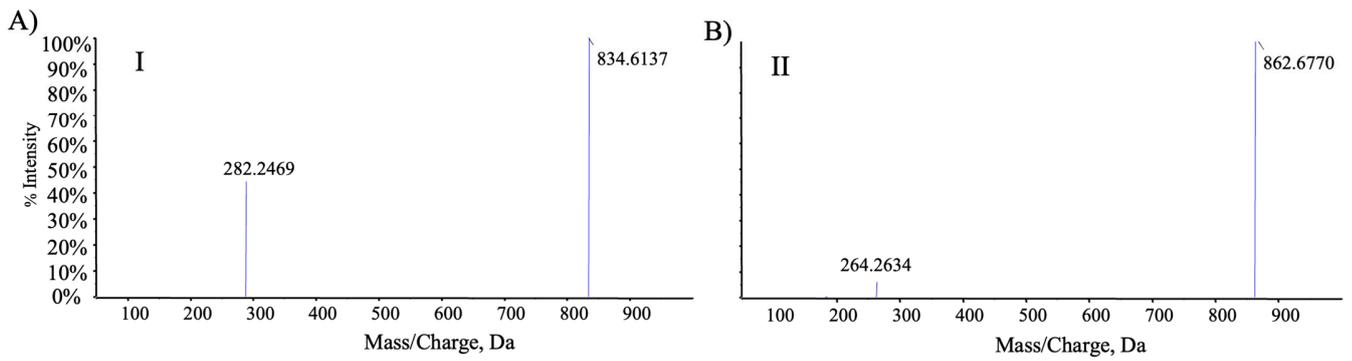
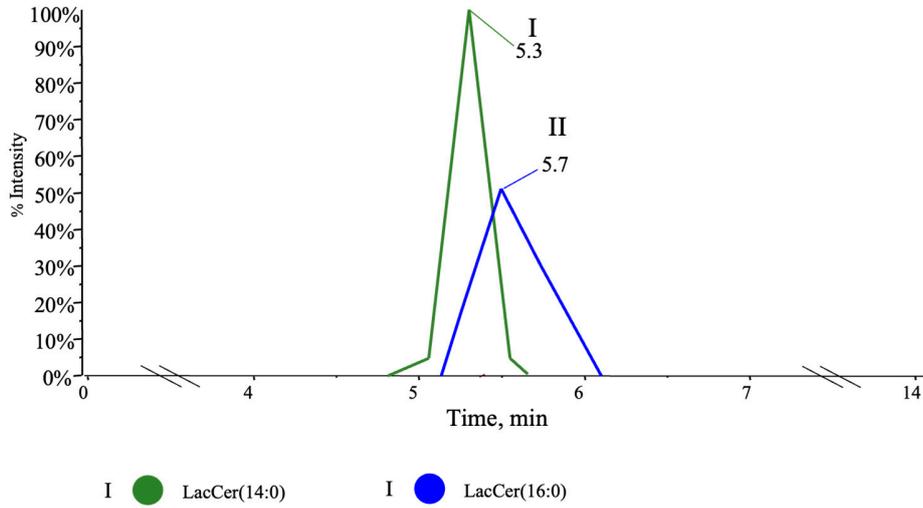
**Supplementary Figure S8. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of detected sphingomyelins.** (I) Sphingomyelin (16:1). (II) Sphingomyelin (18:1). (III) Sphingomyelin (20:1). (IV) Sphingomyelin (22:1). (V) Sphingomyelin (23:1). (VI) Sphingomyelin (24:1). (VII) Sphingomyelin (25:1). (VIII) Sphingomyelin (14:0). (IX) Sphingomyelin (16:0). (X) Sphingomyelin (18:0). (XI) Sphingomyelin (20:0). (XII) Sphingomyelin (22:0). (XIII) Sphingomyelin (23:0). (XIV) Sphingomyelin (24:0). (XV) Sphingomyelin (25:0). (XVI) Sphingomyelin (26:0). (XVII) Sphingomyelin (26:1).

### Hexosylceramides - Cer(12:0) IS



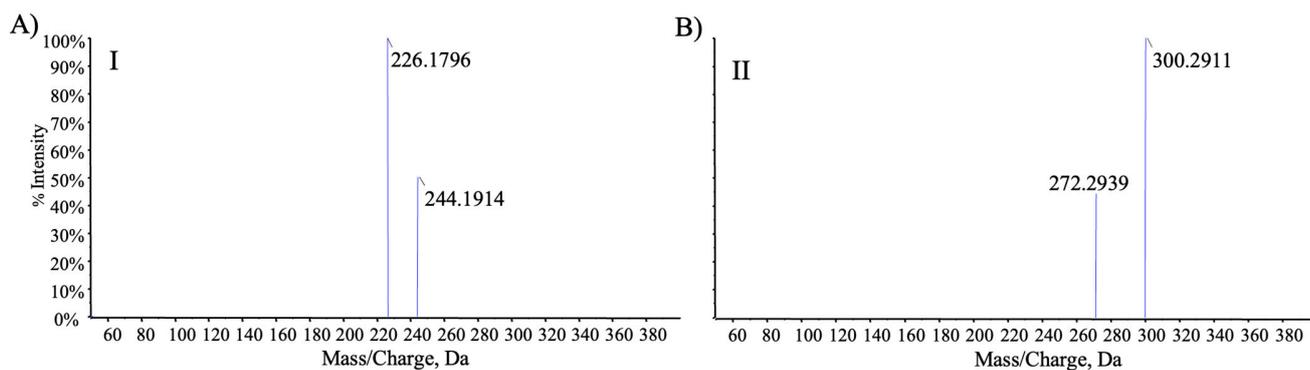
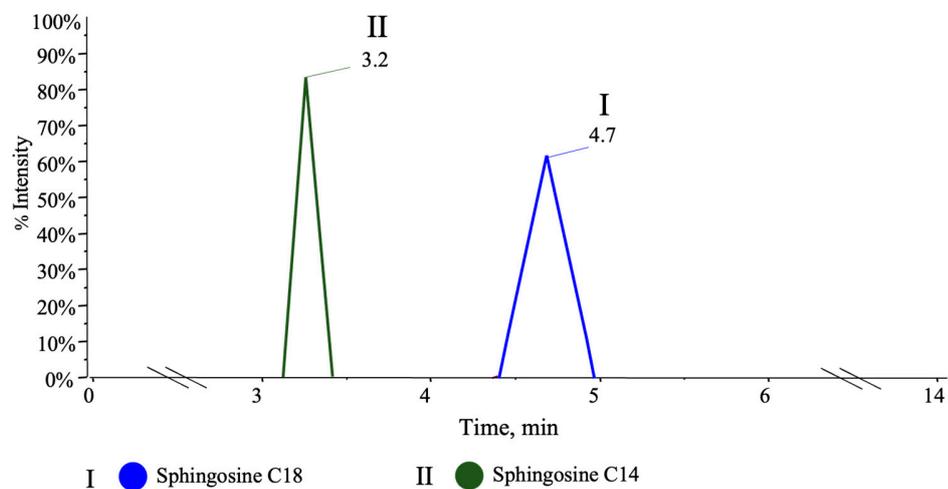
**Supplementary Figure S9. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of detected hexosylceramides. (I) HexosylCeramide (24:0). (II) HexosylCeramide (16:0).**

LacCeramides - LacCer(12:0) IS



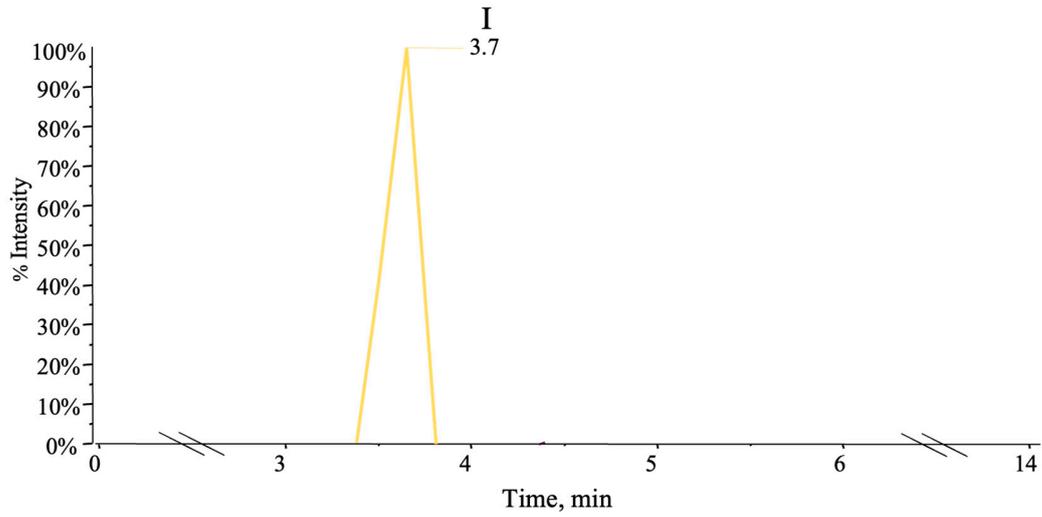
**Supplementary Figure S10. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of detected lactosylceramides.**  
 (I) LacCer (14:0). (II) LacCer (16:0).

### Sphingosine - (Sphingosine C17:0 IS)

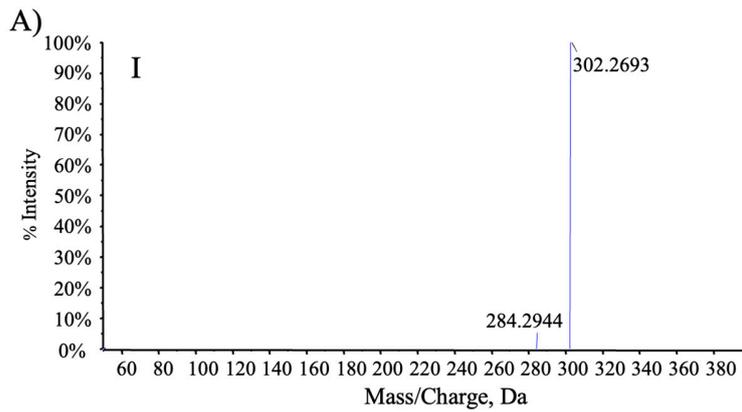


**Supplementary Figure S11. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of detected sphingosines. (I) Sphingosine (18:0). (II) Sphingosine (14:0).**

Sphinganine – (Sphingosine C17:0 IS)

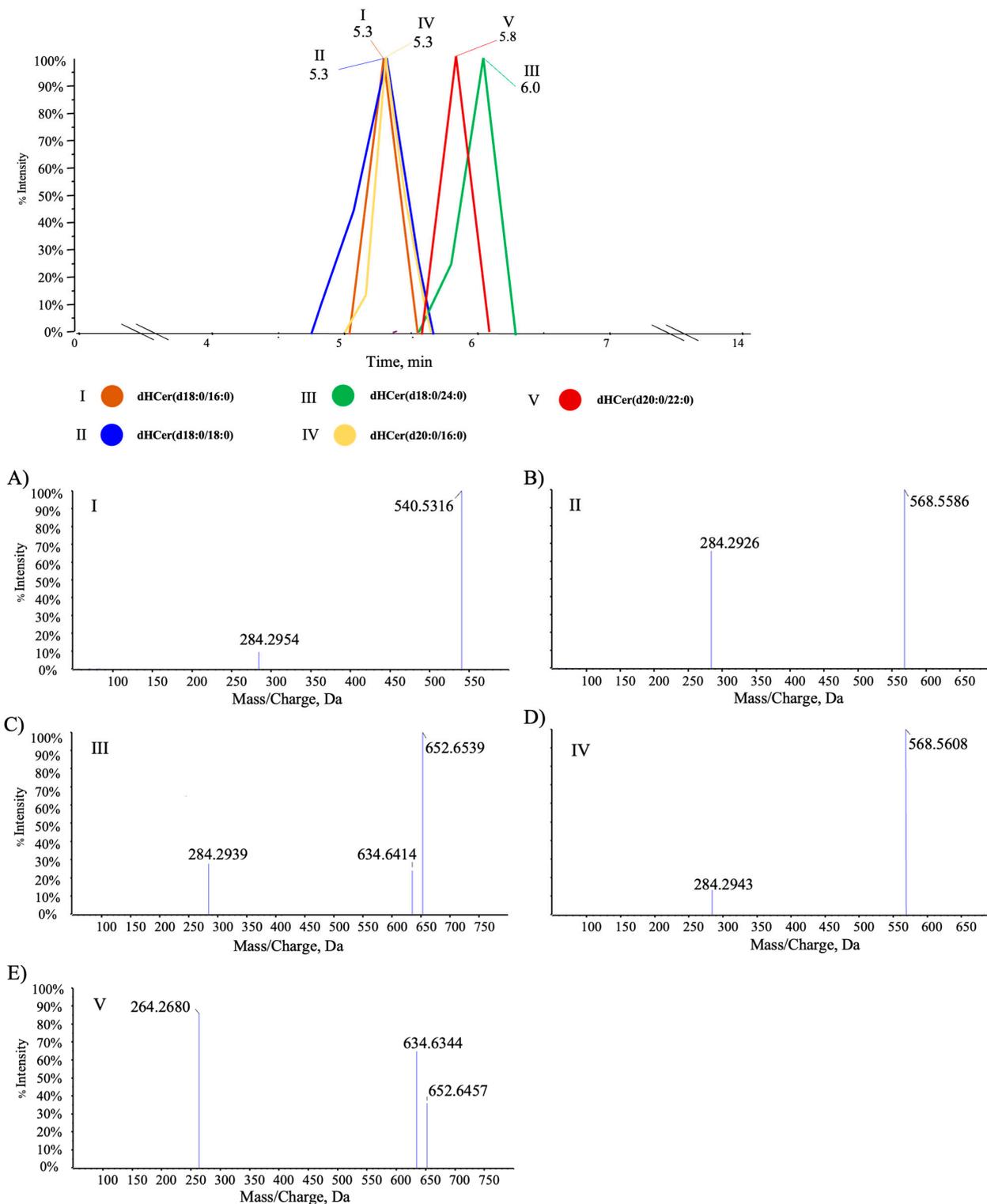


I ● Sphinganine(18:0)



**Supplementary Figure S12. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of detected sphinganine. (I) Sphinganine (18:0).**

Dihydroceramides – (Ceramide(12:0) IS)



**Supplementary Figure S13. Chromatographic profile and mass spectral data of detected dihydroceramides.** (I) dHCer(d18:0/16:0). (II) dHCer(d18:0/18:0). (III) dHCer(d18:0/24:0). (IV) dHCer(d20:0/16:0). (V) dHCer(d20:0/22:0).

**Supplementary Table S3.** List of sphingolipid pathway enzymes and their respective acronyms and ID number.

<b>Enzyme name</b>	<b>Acronym enzyme</b>	<b>Acronym Gene</b>	<b>HGNC ID</b>	<b>NCBI ID</b>
Serine palmitoyltransferase long chain base subunit 1	SPT	SPTLC1	11277	10558
Serine palmitoyltransferase long chain base subunit 2	SPT	SPTLC2	11278	9517
Serine palmitoyltransferase long chain base subunit 3	SPT	SPTLC3	16253	55304
3-ketodihydrosphingosine reductase	KDR	KDSR	4021	2531
Ceramide synthase 1	CerS	CERS1	14253	10715
Ceramide synthase 2	CerS	CERS2	14076	29956
Ceramide synthase 3	CerS	CERS3	23752	204219
Ceramide synthase 4	CerS	CERS4	23747	79603
Ceramide synthase 5	CerS	CERS5	23749	91012
Ceramide synthase 6	CerS	CERS6	23826	253782
Sphingomyelin synthase 1	SMS	SGMS1	29799	259230
Sphingomyelin synthase 2	SMS	SGMS2	28395	166929
Sphingomyelin phosphodiesterase 1	SMase	SMPD1	11120	6609
Sphingomyelin phosphodiesterase 2	SMase	SMPD2	11121	6610
Sphingomyelin phosphodiesterase 3	SMase	SMPD3	14240	55512
Sphingomyelin phosphodiesterase 4	SMase	SMPD4	32949	55627
N-acylsphingosine amidohydrolase (acid ceramidase)	Csase	ASAH1	735	427
N-acylsphingosine amidohydrolase 2 (Neutral ceramidase/non-lysosomal ceramidase)	Csase	ASAH2	18860	56624
Ceramide synthase 1	CerS	CERS1	14253	10715
Ceramide synthase 2	CerS	CERS2	14076	29956
Ceramide synthase 3	CerS	CERS3	23752	204219
Ceramide synthase 4	CerS	CERS4	23747	79603
Ceramide synthase 5	CerS	CERS5	23749	91012
Ceramide synthase 6	CerS	CERS6	23826	253782