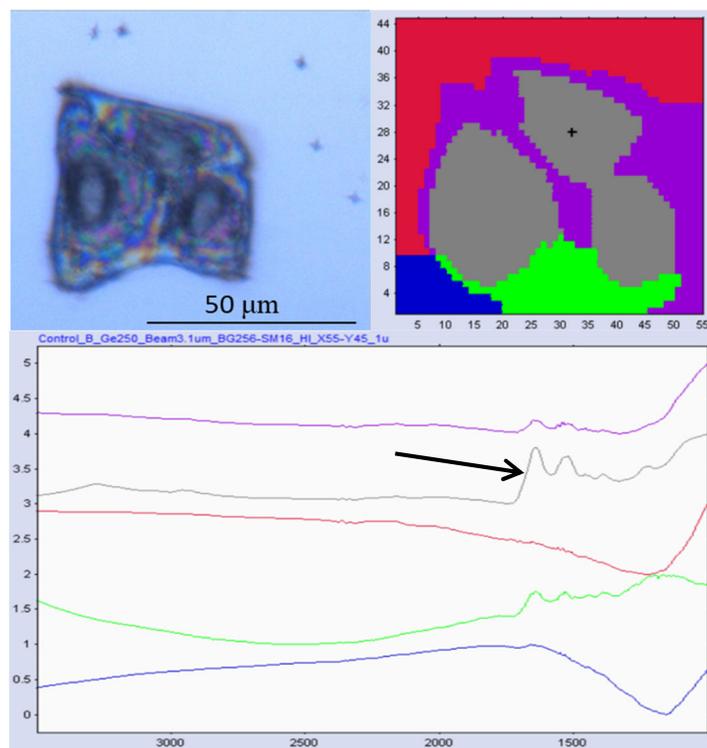
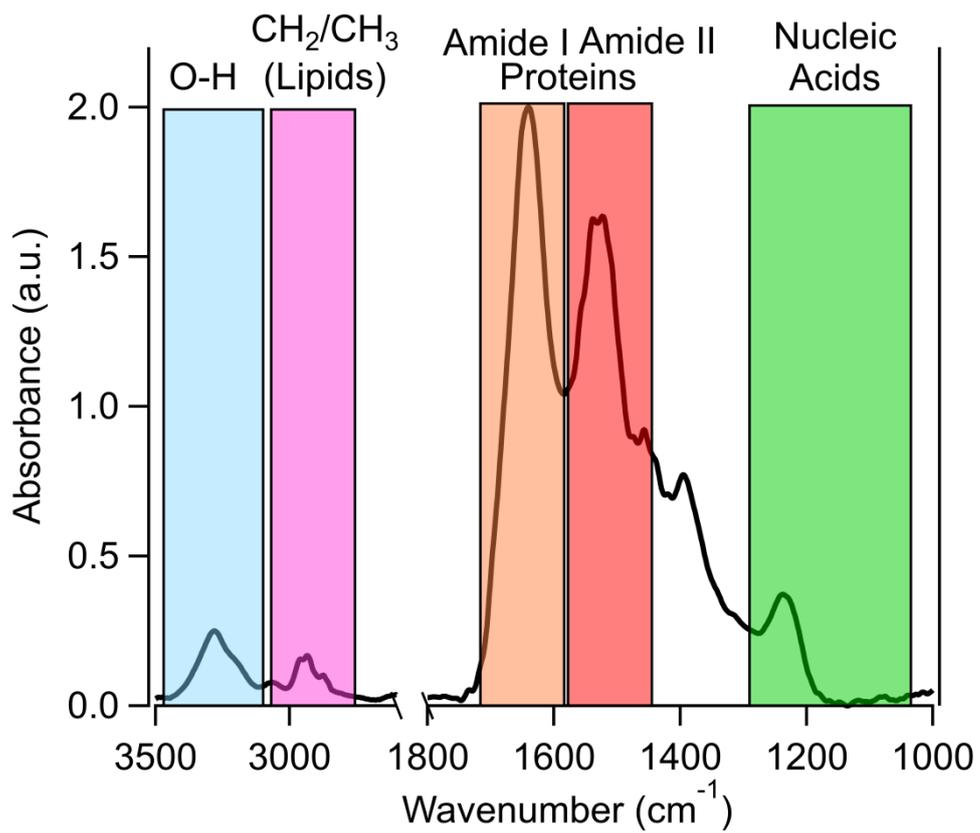


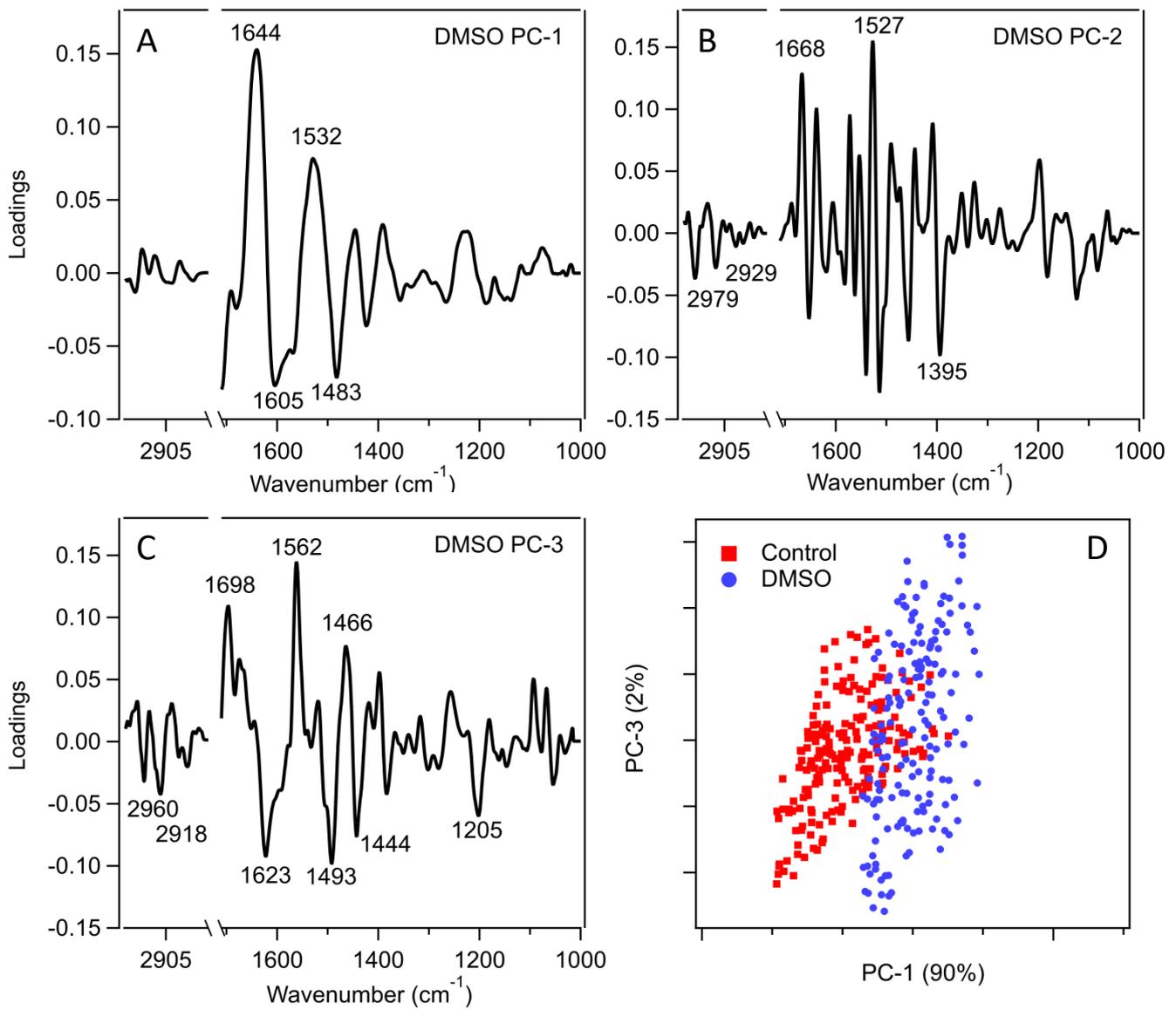
## Supplementary Information



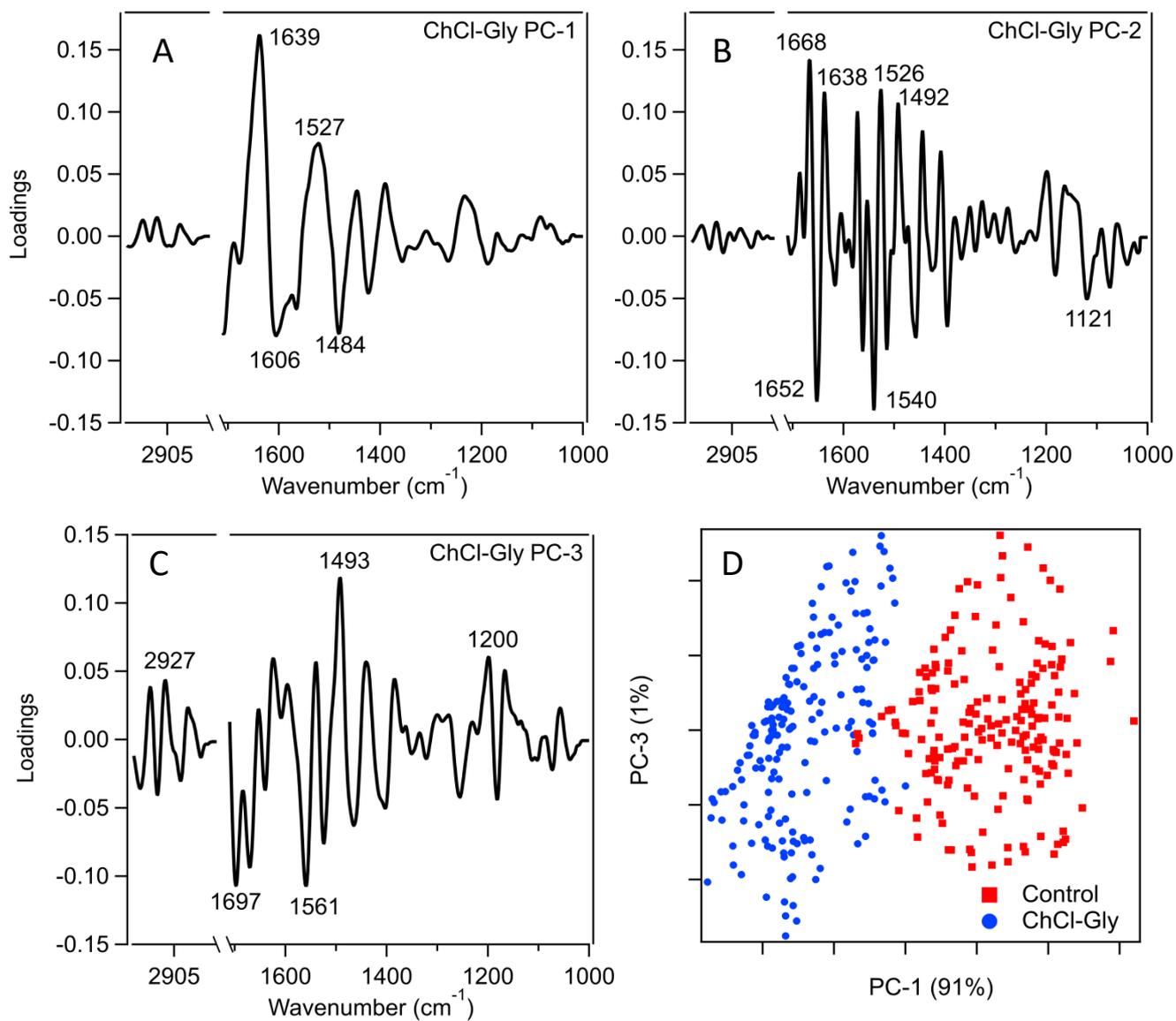
**Figure S1.** *Top left:* microscope image of fixed, untreated HaCat cells prior to the synchrotron macro-ATR-FTIR imaging. *Top right:* HCA image obtained from the corresponding synchrotron macro-ATR-FTIR dataset of the same HaCat cells. *Bottom:* five average spectra extracted from each of the five colored clusters. Note: black arrow indicates the spectral cluster selected for subsequent PCA analysis.



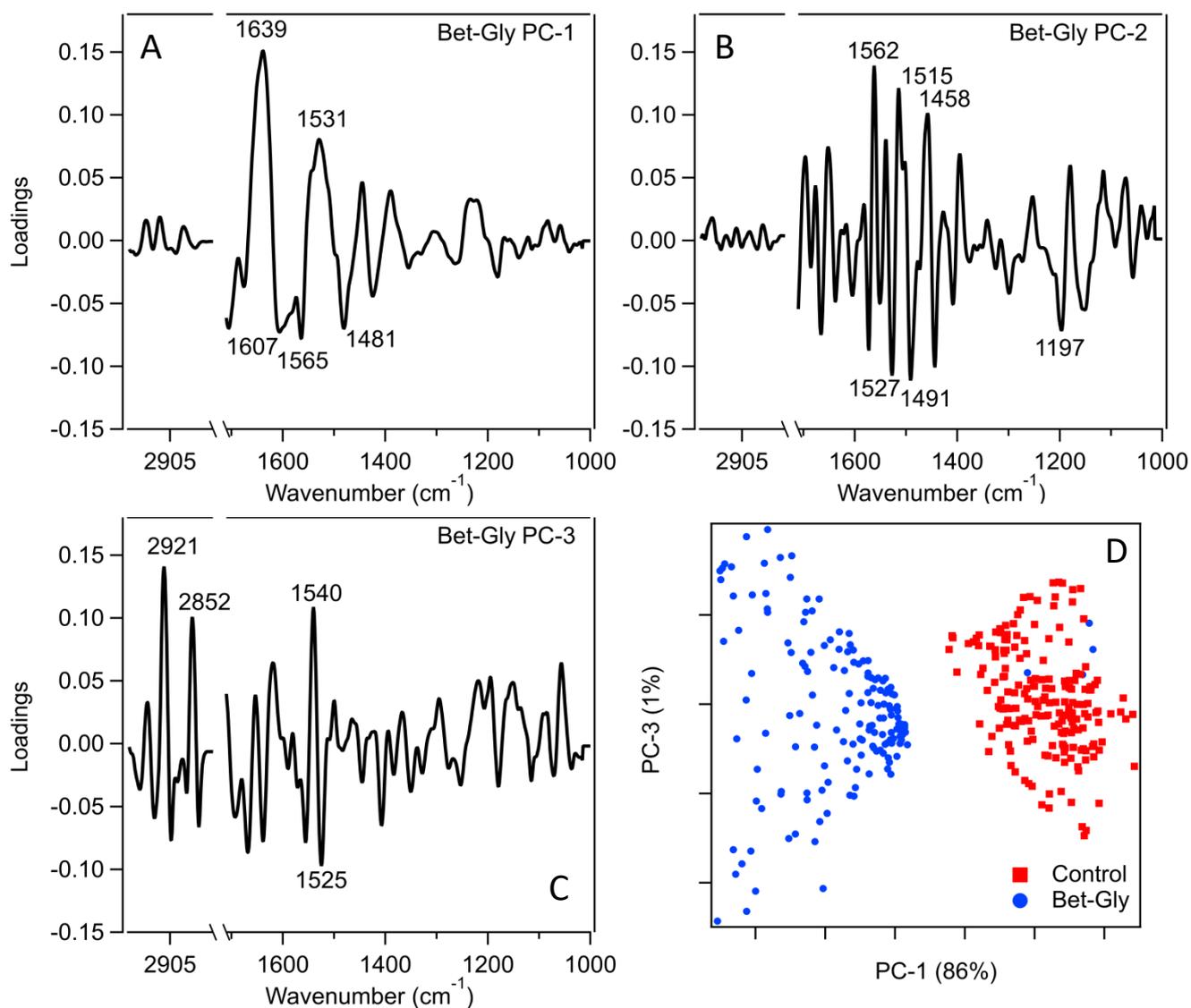
**Figure S2.** Regions of interest containing the key biochemical information in the acquired synchrotron macro-ATR-FTIR spectra.



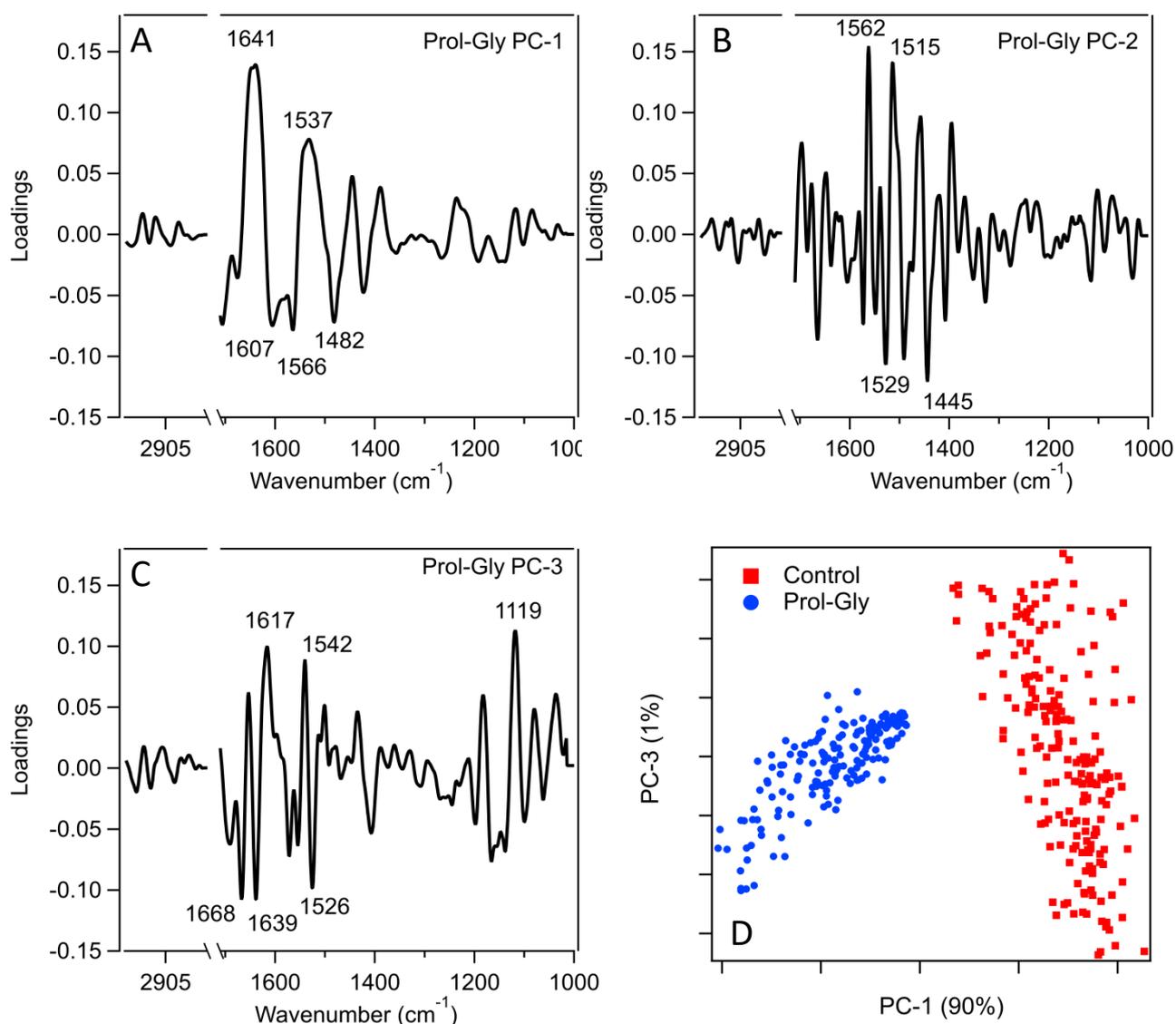
**Figure S3.** A-C) PCA loadings plots of HaCat cells treated with DMSO compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. A significance cut-off of 0.07 was applied to PC-1 and 3, and of 0.1 was applied to PC-2. D) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1 and PC-3 axes.



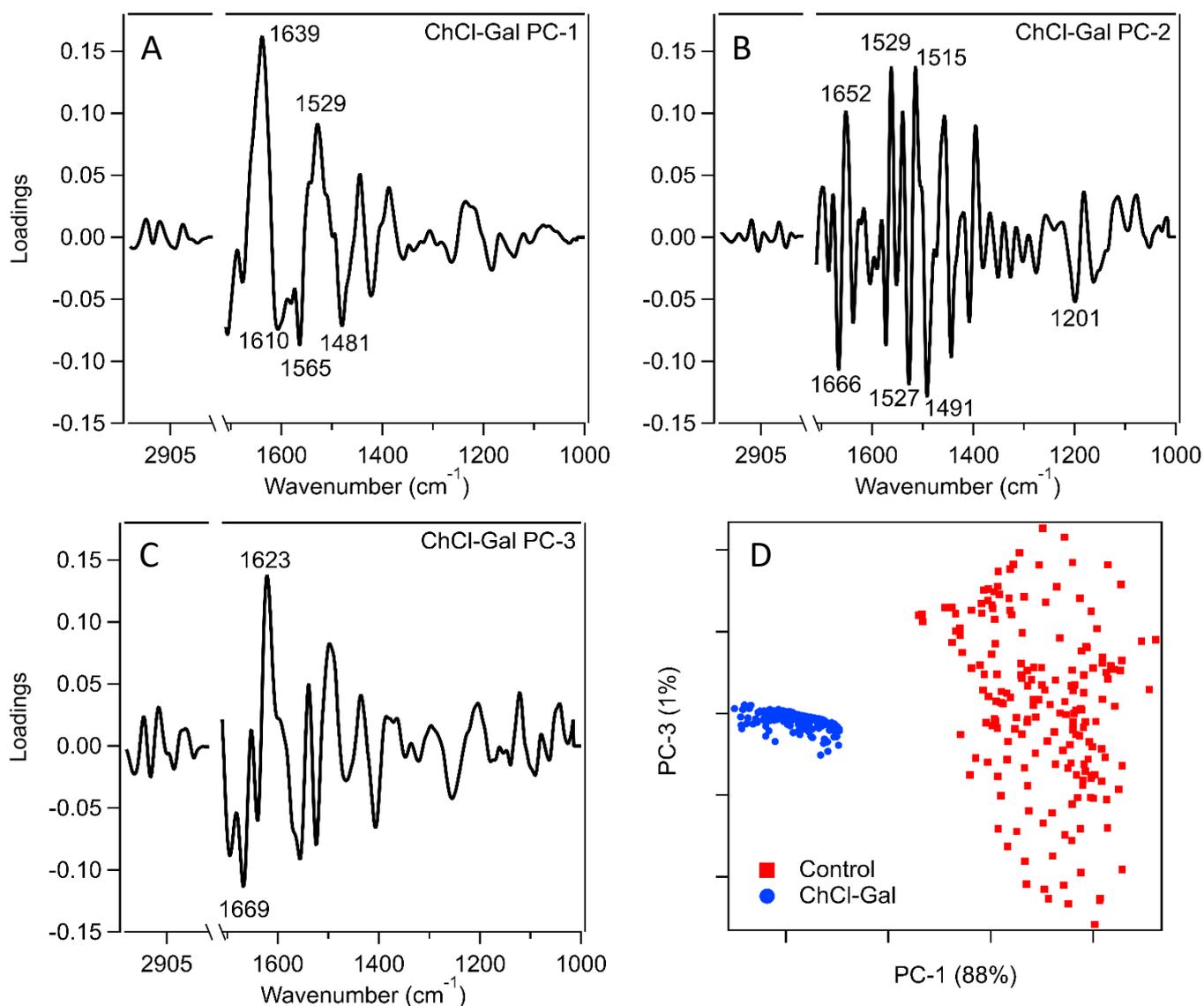
**Figure S4.** A-C) PCA loadings plot of HaCat cells treated with ChCl-Gly compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. Significance cut off of 0.07 applied to PC-1 and of 0.1 to PC-2 and PC-3. D) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1 and PC-3 axes.



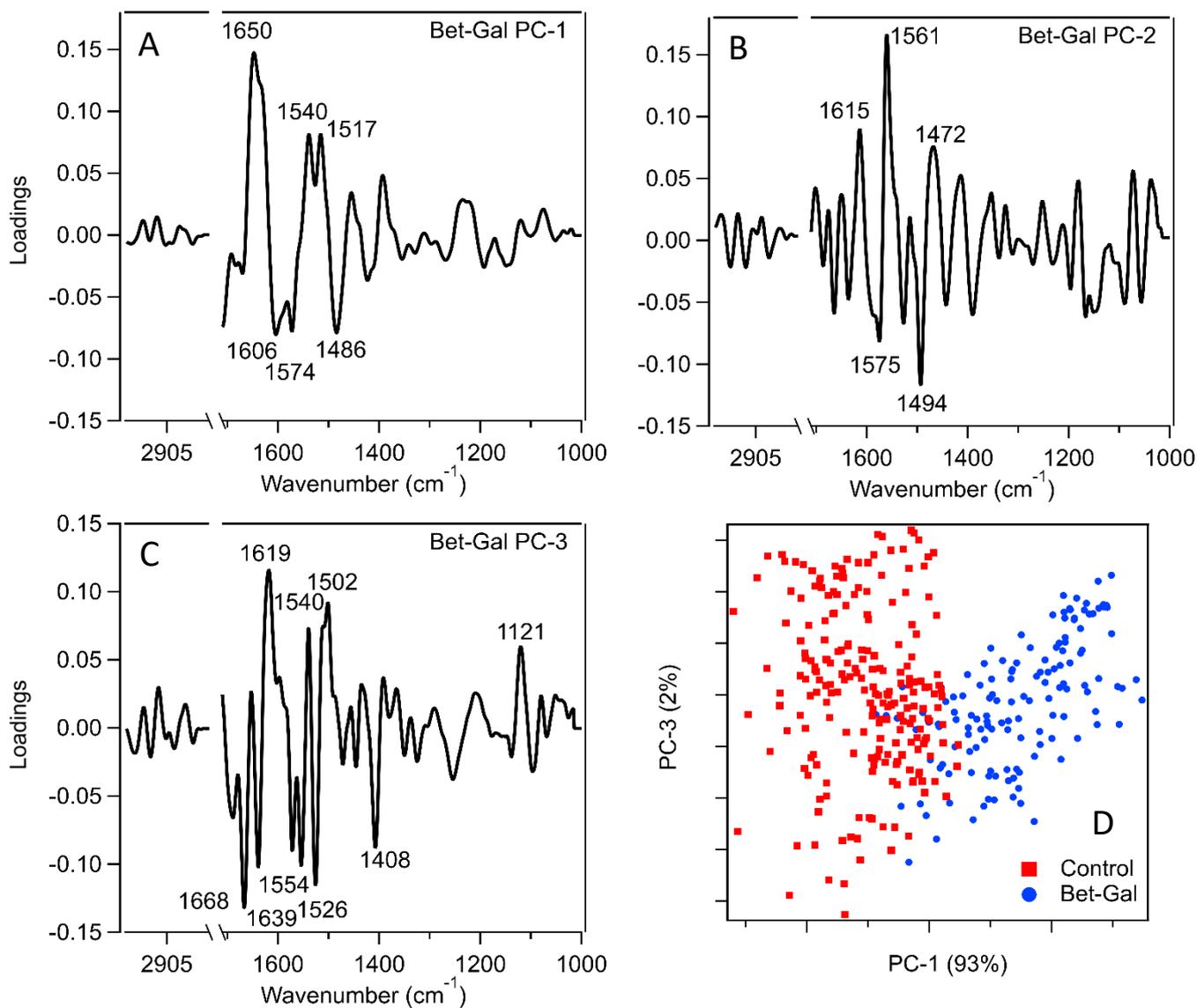
**Figure S5.** A-C) PCA loadings plots of HaCat cells treated with Bet-Gly compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. Significance cut off of 0.07 applied to PC-1 and of 0.1 to PC-2 and PC-3. D) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1 and PC-3 axes.



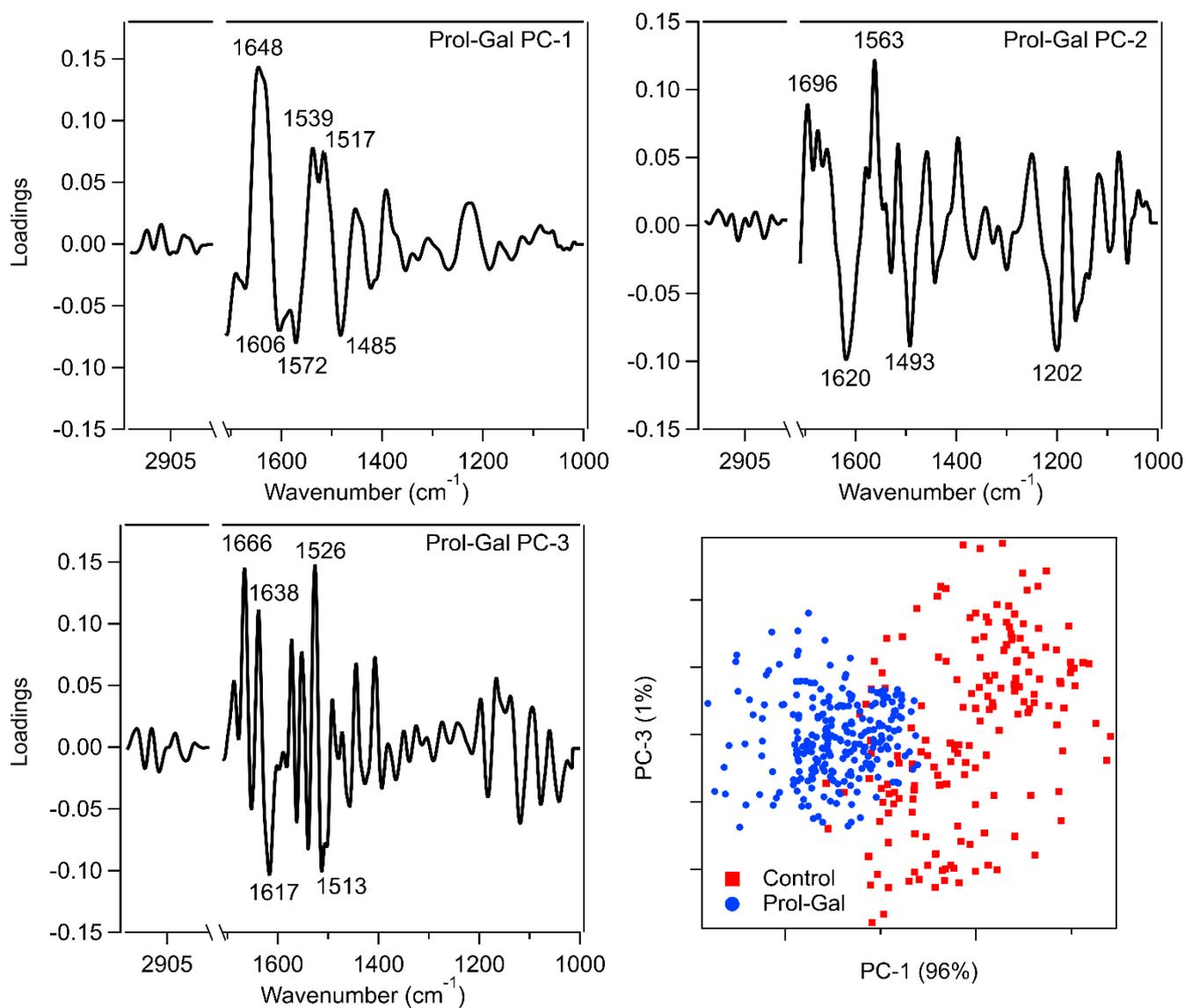
**Figure S6.** A-C) PCA loadings plots of HaCat cells treated with Prol-Gly compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. A significance cut-off of 0.07 was applied to PC-1 and of 0.1 was applied to PC-2 and PC-3. D) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1 and PC-3 axes.



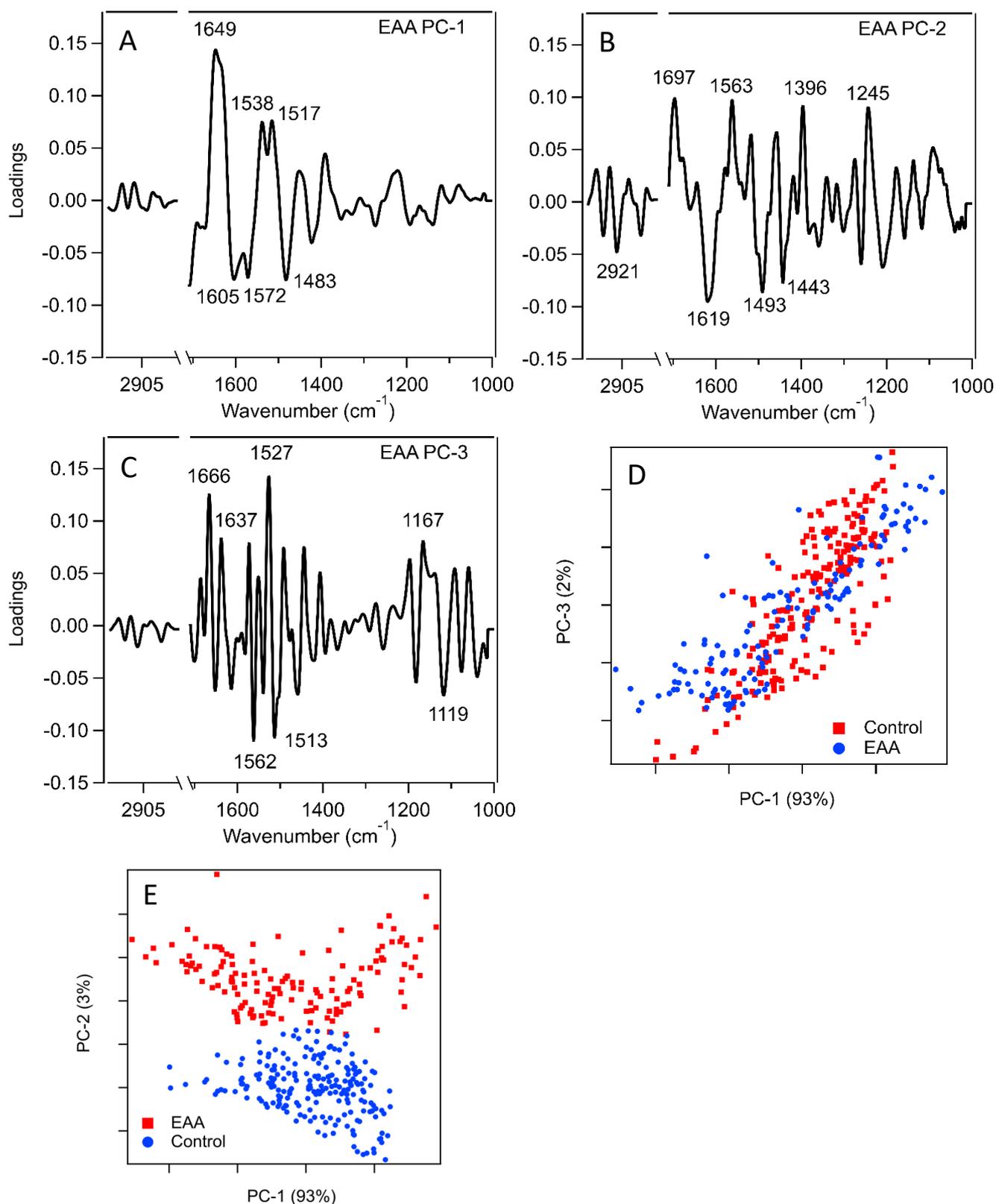
**Figure S7.** PCA loadings plots of HaCat cells treated with ChCl-Gal compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. Significance cut off of 0.05 was applied to PC-1 and of 0.1 to PC-2 and PC-3. D) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1 and PC-3 axes.



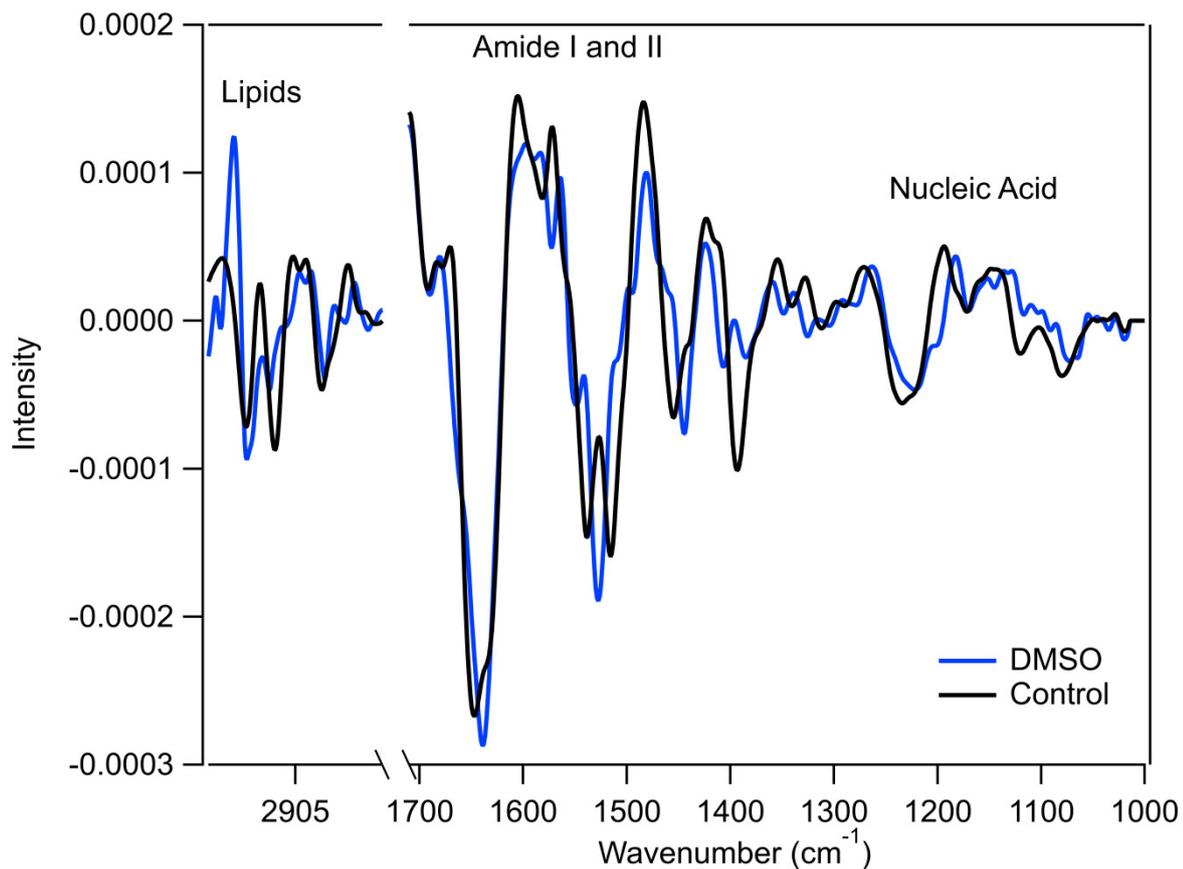
**Figure S8.** A-C) PCA loadings plots of HaCat cells treated with Bet-Gal compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. A significance cut off of 0.07 was applied to PC-1 and PC-2 and of 0.1 to PC-3 D) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1 and PC-3 axes.



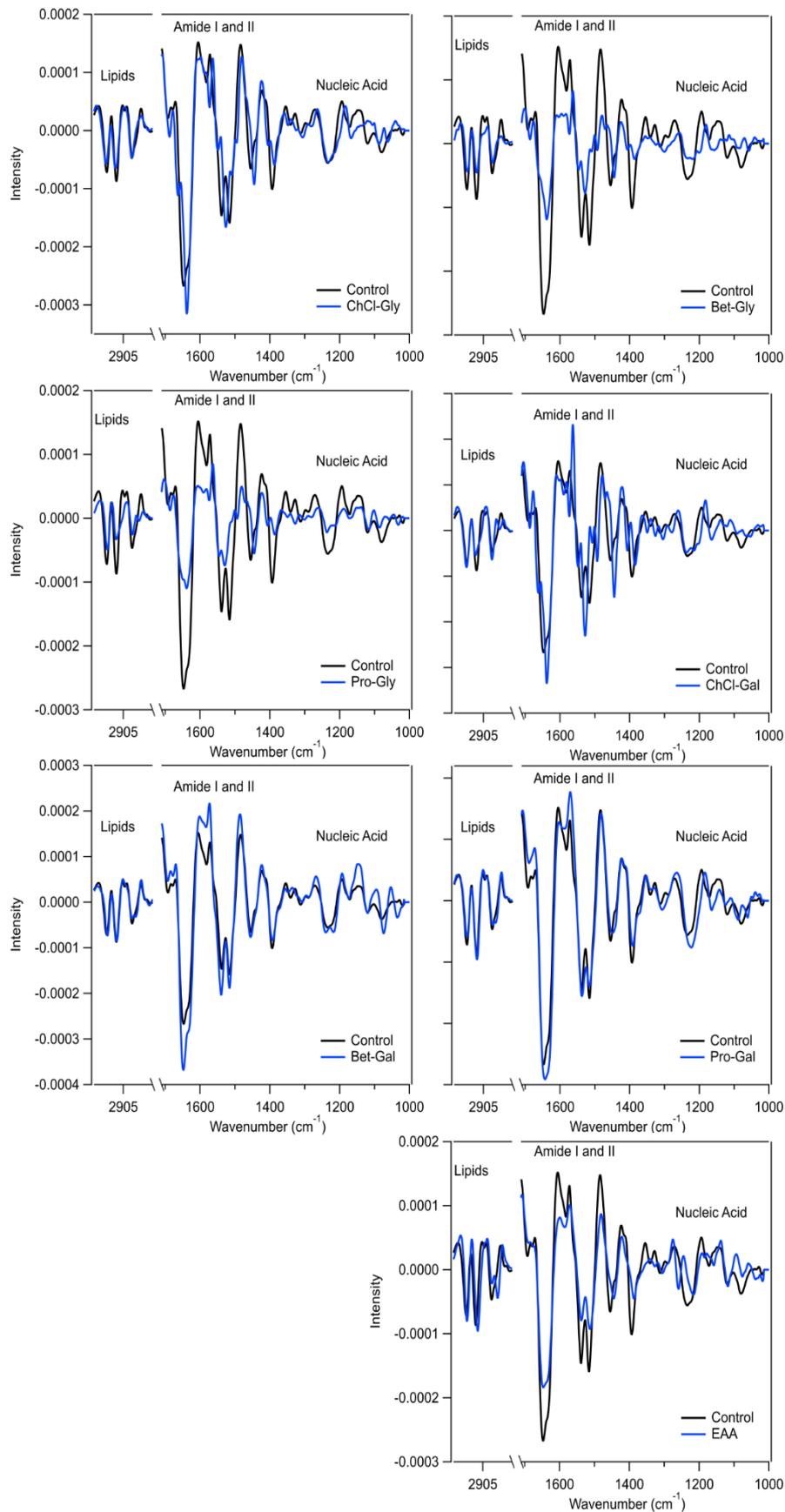
**Figure S9.** PCA loadings plots of HaCat cells treated with Prol-Gal compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. Significance cut offs of 0.05, 0.07 and 0.1 were applied for PC-1, 2 and 3 respectively. D) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1 and PC-3 axes.



**Figure S10.** A-C) PCA loadings plots of HaCat cells treated with EAA compared to the untreated control. The assignment of key absorption peaks is shown in Table S1. A significance cut-off of 0.07 was applied to PC-1 and PC-2 and of 0.1 was applied to PC-3. D and E) PCA scores plot showing the separation of the cell clusters along PC-1, PC-2 and PC-3 axes.



**Figure S11.** Comparison of average 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative spectra of the DMSO-treated and untreated control cells, showing the differences in the key biochemical compositions (i.e., lipids, proteins and nucleic acids).



**Figure S12.** Comparison of average 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative spectra of treated cells and untreated control cells, showing the differences in the key biochemical compositions (i.e., lipids, proteins and nucleic acids).

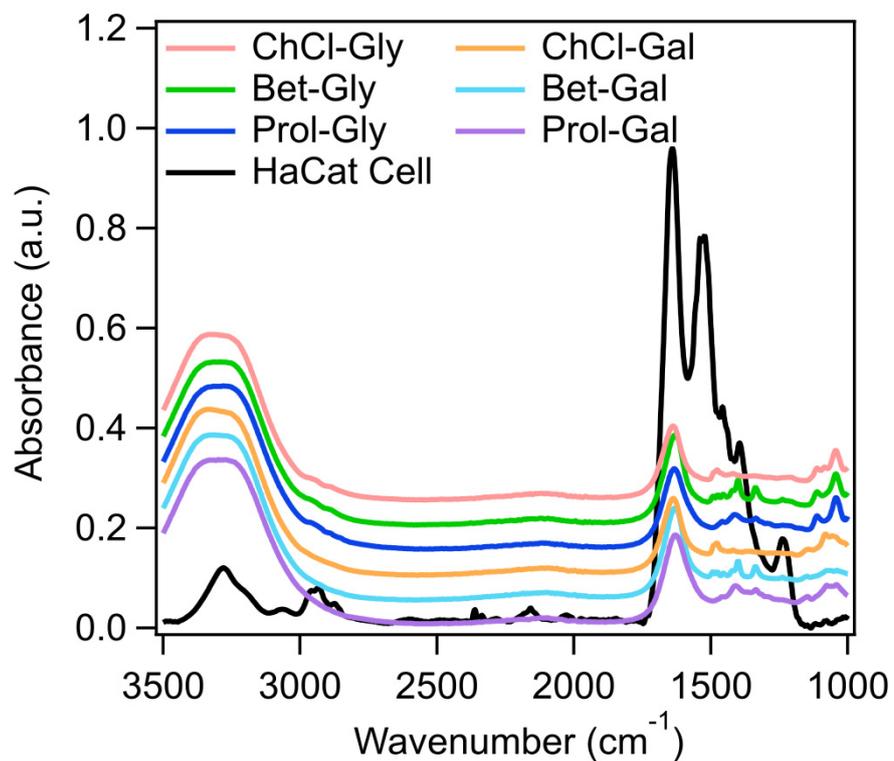
**Table S1.** Band assignment of the loaded peaks observed in the PCA loadings plots for each treatment.

Treatment	PC	Wavenumber (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Assignment	Broad Assignment	References	
DMSO	PC-1	1644	Amide I (C=O stretch)	Amide I	1, 2	
		1605	$\nu_{as}$ (COO <sup>-</sup> ) (polysaccharides, pectin)	Amide I	1	
		1532	C=N	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1483	C <sub>8</sub> -H couple with a ring vibration <sup>a</sup> assigned to 1482/3/5	Nucleic Acid	4	
	PC-2	2979	Undefined	N/A	1	
		2929	C-H stretching	Lipids	3	
		1668	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1	
		1527	Stretching C=N, C=C	Amide II	1, 3	
		1514	$\nu$ (C=C) diagnostic of the presence of carotenoid structure	N/A	1	
	PC-3	1395	Undefined	N/A	1	
		2960	$\nu_{as}$ (CH <sub>3</sub> )	Lipids	5	
		2918	C-H stretching	Lipids	3	
		1698	C <sub>2</sub> =O guanine N-H thymine	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1623	Base carbonyl stretching and ring breathing <sup>k</sup> Assigned to 1620	Nucleic Acid	1, 6	
		1562	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3	
		1493	In-plane CH bending vibration	Amide II	1	
		1466	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
ChCl-Gly	PC-1	1639	Amide I	Amide I	17	
		1606	Adenine vibration	Nucleic Acid	1, 9	
		1527	Stretching C=N, C=C	Amide II	1, 3	
		1484	C <sub>8</sub> -H couple with a ring vibration <sup>a</sup> assigned to 1482/3/5	Nucleic Acid	4	
	PC-2	1668	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1	
		1652	Amide I	Amide I	1, 3	
		1638	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
		1540	Amide II ( $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide II	1, 10	
		1526	C=N	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1492	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
	PC-3	1121*	Symmetric phosphodiester stretching band	Nucleic Acid	1, 11	
		2927	C-H stretching	Lipids	3	
		1697	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1, 8	
		1561	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3	
		1493	In-plane CH bending vibration	Amide II	1	
	Bet-Gly	PC-1	1200*	Phosphate (P=O) band	Nucleic Acid	1, 12
			1639	Amide I	Amide I	17
1607			Adenine vibration	Nucleic Acid	1, 9	
1565			Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3	
		1531	Undefined	N/A	1	

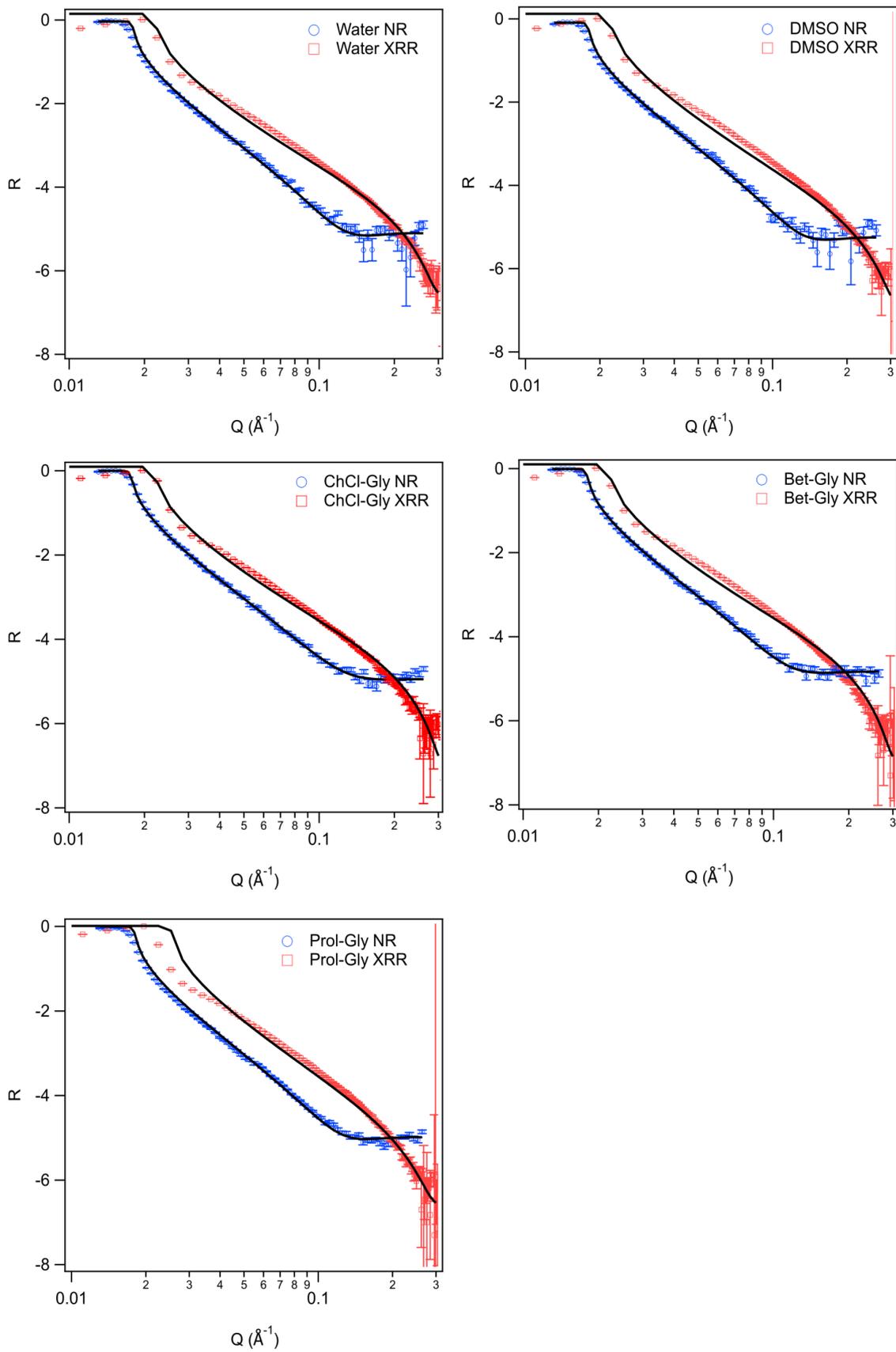
		1481	Amide II	Amide II	1, 8	
	PC-2	1562	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3	
		1527	Stretching C=N, C=C	Amide II	1, 3	
		1515	$\nu$ (C=C) diagnostic of the presence of carotenoid structure	N/A	1	
		1491	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
		1458	$\delta_{as}$ CH <sub>3</sub> of collagen	N/A	1, 13	
		1197*	Phosphate (P=O) band	Nucleic Acid	1, 12	
	PC-3	2921	Asymmetric vibrations of CH <sub>2</sub> of acyl chains	Lipid	1, 14	
		2852	$\nu_s$ CH <sub>2</sub>	Lipid	1, 5	
		1540	Amide II ( $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide II	1, 10	
1525		C=N	Nucleic Acid	1, 3		
Prol-Gly	PC-1	1641	C=O stretch	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1607	$\nu_{as}$ (COO <sup>-</sup> ) (polysaccharides, pectin)	Amide I	1	
		1566	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3	
		1537	C=N and C=C stretch	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1482	C <sub>8</sub> -H couple with a ring vibration <sup>a</sup> assigned to 1482/3/5	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
	PC-2	1562	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3	
		1529	C=N	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1515	$\nu$ (C=C) diagnostic of the presence of carotenoid structure	N/A	1	
		1445	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
	PC-3	1668	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1	
		1639	Amide I	Amide I	17	
		1617	Ring C-C stretch of aromatic	Amide I	1	
		1542	Amide II	Amide II	1, 15	
		1526	C=N	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1119	C-O stretching mode	N/A	1	
	ChCl-Gal	PC-1	1639	Amide I	Amide I	17
			1610	Adenine vibration	Nucleic Acid	1, 9
1565			Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3	
1529			Stretching C=N, C=C	Amide II	1, 3	
1481			Amide II	Amide II	1, 8	
PC-2		1666	Amide I	Amide I	1	
		1652	Amide I	Amide I	1, 3	
		1529	Stretching C=N, C=C	Amide II	1, 3	
		1527	Stretching C=N, C=C	Amide II	1, 3	
		1491	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
		1201*	PO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> asymmetric (phosphate I)	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
PC-3		1669	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1	
		1623	Base carbonyl stretching and ring breathing <sup>k</sup> Assigned to 1620	Nucleic Acid	1, 6	
Bet-Gal	PC-1	1650	Amide I	Amide I	1, 3	
		1606	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
		1574	C=N Adenine	Nucleic Acid	1, 3	
		1540	Amide II ( $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide II	1, 10	
		1517	Amide II	Amide II	1	
		1486	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
	PC-2	1615	Ring C-C stretch of aromatic	Amide I	1	

		1574	C=N Adenine	Nucleic Acid	1, 3
		1561	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3
		1494	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1
		1472	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1
	PC-3	1668	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1
		1639	Amide I	Amide I	17
		1619	Ring C-C stretch of aromatic	Amide I	1
		1554	Amide II ( $\alpha$ -sheet)	Amide II	18
		1540	Amide II ( $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide II	1, 10
		1526	C=N	Nucleic Acid	1, 3
1502		Amide II	Amide II	1	
1408		Overlapping peak region	N/A	1	
1121*	Symmetric phosphodiester stretching band	Nucleic Acid	1, 11		
Prol-Gal	PC-1	1648	Unordered random coils	Amide I	1
		1606	$\nu_{as}$ (COO <sup>-</sup> ) (polysaccharides, pectin)	Amide I	1
		1572	Amide II	Amide II	1
		1539	Amide II	Amide II	1
		1517	Amide II	Amide II	1
		1485	C <sub>8</sub> -H couple with a ring vibration <sup>a</sup> assigned to 1482/3/5	Nucleic Acid	4
	PC-2	1696	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1, 8
		1620	Base carbonyl stretching and ring breathing <sup>k</sup> Assigned to 1620	Nucleic Acid	1, 6
		1563	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3
		1493	In-plane CH bending vibration	Amide II	1
		1202	PO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> asymmetric (phosphate I)	Nucleic Acid	1, 3
	PC-3	1666	Amide I	Amide I	1
		1638	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1
		1617	Ring C-C stretch of aromatic	Amide I	1
		1526	C=N	Nucleic Acid	1, 3
1513	$\nu$ (C=C) diagnostic of the presence of carotenoid structure	N/A	1		
EAA	PC-1	1649	Unordered random coils	Amide I	1
		1605	$\nu_{as}$ (COO <sup>-</sup> ) (polysaccharides, pectin)	Amide I	1
		1572	Amide II	Amide II	1
		1538	C=N and C=C stretch	Nucleic Acid	1, 3
		1517	Amide II	Amide II	1
		1483	C <sub>8</sub> -H couple with a ring vibration <sup>a</sup> assigned to 1482/3/5	Nucleic Acid	1, 3
	PC-2	2921	Asymmetric vibrations of CH <sub>2</sub> of acyl chains	Lipid	1, 14
		1697	Amide I (anti-parallel $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1, 8
		1619	Ring C-C stretch of aromatic	Amide I	1
		1563	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3
		1493	In-plane CH bending vibration	Amide II	1
		1443	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1
		1396	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1
		1245	PO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup> asymmetric	Nucleic Acid	1
	PC-3	1666	Amide I	Amide I	1
		1637	Amide I ( $\beta$ -sheet)	Amide I	1, 8, 14

	1562	Ring Base	Ring Base	1, 3
	1527	Stretching C=N, C=C	Amide II	1, 3
	1513	$\nu$ (C=C) diagnostic of the presence of carotenoid structure	N/A	1
	1167	Overlapping peak region	N/A	1
	1119	C-O stretching mode	N/A	1



**Figure S13.** FTIR spectra of the deep eutectic solvents used in this study.



**Figure S14.** Neutron and X-ray reflectivity data with best fits for a POPC monolayer.

## References

1. Z. Movasaghi, S. Rehman and D. I. ur Rehman, *Applied Spectroscopy Reviews*, 2008, **43**, 134-179.
2. M. Huleihel, A. Salman, V. Erukhimovitch, J. Ramesh, Z. Hammody and S. Mordechai, *Journal of Biochemical and Biophysical Methods*, 2002, **50**, 111-121.
3. G. I. Dovbeshko, N. Y. Gridina, E. B. Kruglova and O. P. Pashchuk, *Talanta*, 2000, **53**, 233-246.
4. N. Fujioka, Y. Morimoto, T. Arai and M. Kikuchi, *Cancer Detection and Prevention*, 2004, **28**, 32-36.
5. C. Paluszkiwicz and W. M. Kwiatek, *Journal of Molecular Structure*, 2001, **565-566**, 329-334.
6. L. Chiriboga, P. Xie, H. Yee, V. Vigorita, D. Zarou, D. Zakim and M. Diem, *Biospectroscopy*, 1998, **4**, 47-53.
7. Y. Yang, J. Sulé-Suso, G. D. Sockalingum, G. Kegelaer, M. Manfait and A. J. El Haj, *Biopolymers*, 2005, **78**, 311-317.
8. R. Eckel, H. Huo, H.-W. Guan, X. Hu, X. Che and W.-D. Huang, *Vibrational Spectroscopy*, 2001, **27**, 165-173.
9. G. I. Dovbeshko, V. I. Chegel, N. Y. Gridina, O. P. Repnytska, Y. M. Shirshov, V. P. Tryndiak, I. M. Todor and G. I. Solyanik, *Biopolymers*, 2002, **67**, 470-486.
10. E. Gazi, J. Dwyer, P. Gardner, A. Ghanbari-Siahkali, A. P. Wade, J. Miyan, N. P. Lockyer, J. C. Vickerman, N. W. Clarke, J. H. Shanks, L. J. Scott, C. A. Hart and M. Brown, *J Pathol*, 2003, **201**, 99-108.
11. P. G. Andrus and R. D. Strickland, *Biospectroscopy*, 1998, **4**, 37-46.
12. S. Yoshida, M. Miyazaki, K. Sakai, M. Takeshita, S. Yuasa, A. Sato, T. Kobayashi, S. Watanabe and H. Okuyama, *Biospectroscopy*, 1997, **3**, 281-290.
13. M. F. K. Fung, M. K. Senterman, N. Z. Mikhael, S. Lacelle and P. T. T. Wong, *Biospectroscopy*, 1996, **2**, 155-165.
14. H. Fabian, M. Jackson, L. Murphy, P. H. Watson, I. Fichtner and H. H. Mantsch, *Biospectroscopy*, 1995, **1**, 37-45.
15. B. R. Wood, M. A. Quinn, B. Tait, M. Ashdown, T. Hislop, M. Romeo and D. McNaughton, *Biospectroscopy*, 1998, **4**, 75-91.