

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Biotic and abiotic transformation of amino acids in cloud water:

5 Experimental studies and atmospheric implications.

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Table S1: Composition of the artificial cloud medium used for biotic and abiotic transformation of amino acids in microcosms.

Chemical species	Concentration (μM)	Chemical species	Concentration (μM)
Acetate	100	cysteine	1
Formiate	72.5	glutamic acid	1
Succinate	7.5	glycine	1
Oxalate	15	histidine	1
Cl^-	200	isoleucine	1
NO_3^-	400	lysine	1
SO_4^{2-}	25	methionine	1
Na^+	1000	phenylalanine	1
NH_4^+	400	proline	1
K^+	25	serine	1
Mg^{2+}	50	threonine	1
Ca^{2+}	200	tryptophan	1
alanine	1	tyrosine	1
arginine	1	valine	1
asparagine	1	glutamine	1
aspartic acid	1	pH ^a	6

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^a The pH of the artificial cloud medium was adjusted to 6 (a few drops of NaOH at 1.38 M and of 0.39M H_2SO_4) and the medium was sterilized by filtration on a polyethersulphone (PES) membrane of 0.20 μm porosity (Fisher Scientific) before use. Note that cysteine was present in the medium but it could not be assayed by LC-HRMS, neither leucine that cannot be distinguished from isoleucine by LC-HRMS.

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Table S2: Retention times, exact masses and LODs and LOQs measured for the 18 AA measured by UPLC-HRMS

Amino acid	Molecular formula	Retention time (min)	m/z [M+H]	LOD (μM)	LOQ (μM)
ALA	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$	4.25	90.0550	0.237	0.474
ARG	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$	7.41	175.1190	0.072	0.143
ASN	$\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$	5.57	133.0608	0.143	0.286
ASP	$\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{NO}_4$	5.09	134.0448	0.148	0.295
GLN	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$	5.35	147.0764	0.234	0.468
GLU	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{NO}_4$	4.8	148.0526	0.111	0.222
GLY	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{NO}_2$	4.6	76.0393	0.242	0.483
HIS	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_9\text{N}_3\text{O}_2$	7.47	156.0768	0.094	0.188
ILE	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$	2.59	160.1081	0.179	0.359
LYS	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$	7.62	147.1128	0.069	0.139
MET	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2\text{S}$	2.69	150.0584	0.072	0.144
PHE	$\text{C}_9\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$	2.64	166.0863	0.061	0.122
PRO	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2$	3.05	116.0706	0.140	0.281
SER	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}_3$	5.36	106.0499	0.135	0.268
THR	$\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{NO}_3$	4.87	120.0655	0.163	0.327
TRP	$\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$	2.65	205.0972	0.058	0.117
TYR	$\text{C}_9\text{H}_9\text{NO}_3$	7.46	182.0812	0.072	0.143
VAL	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$	2.61	118.0863	0.237	0.475

30 **Table S3:** Rate constants for 18 amino acids for the OH, O₃ and ¹O₂ reactions

	$k_{OH} /$ $M^{-1} s^{-1}$	Reference	$k_{O_3} /$ $M^{-1} s^{-1}$	Reference	$k_{^1O_2} /$ $M^{-1} s^{-1}$	Reference
ALA	$7.7 \cdot 10^7$	(Scholes et al., 1965)	$2.5 \cdot 10^1$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$2 \cdot 10^6$	(Matheson and Lee, 1979)
ARG	$3.5 \cdot 10^9$	(Buxton et al., 1988)	$2.8 \cdot 10^2$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$< 1 \cdot 10^6$	(Kraljić and Sharpatyi, 1978)
ASN	$4.9 \cdot 10^7$	(Masuda et al., 1973)	$7.0 \cdot 10^1$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		
ASP	$4.9 \cdot 10^7$	(Masuda et al., 1973)	$5.0 \cdot 10^1$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		
GLN	$5.4 \cdot 10^8$	(Masuda et al., 1973)	$8.0 \cdot 10^1$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		
GLU	$1.6 \cdot 10^8$		$2 \cdot 10^{-1}$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$5.0 \cdot 10^5$	(McGregor and Anastasio, 2001)
GLY	$1.7 \cdot 10^7$		$2.1 \cdot 10^1$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$< 1 \cdot 10^5$	(Michaeli and Feitelson, 1994)
HIS	$5 \cdot 10^9$	(Motohashi and Saito, 1993)	$3.9 \cdot 10^3$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$6 \cdot 10^7$	(McGregor and Anastasio, 2001)
ILE	$1.8 \cdot 10^9$	(Masuda et al., 1973)				
LYS	$3.5 \cdot 10^8$	(Masuda et al., 1973)	$1.2 \cdot 10^2$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		
MET	$8.5 \cdot 10^9$		$4 \cdot 10^6$		$2.1 \cdot 10^7$	(Miskoski and García, 1993)
PHE	$6.5 \cdot 10^9$	(Buxton et al., 1988)	$1.3 \cdot 10^3$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$7 \cdot 10^5$	(Michaeli and Feitelson, 1994)
PRO	$6.5 \cdot 10^8$	(Masuda et al., 1973)	$4.8 \cdot 10^2$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		
SER	$2.5 \cdot 10^8$		$1.8 \cdot 10^2$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		
THR	$5.1 \cdot 10^8$	(Masuda et al., 1973)	$2.6 \cdot 10^2$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		
TRP	$1.3 \cdot 10^{10}$	(Buxton et al., 1988)	$5.6 \cdot 10^4$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$4.1 \cdot 10^7$	(McGregor and Anastasio, 2001)
TYR	$1.3 \cdot 10^{10}$	(Solar et al., 1984)	$4.8 \cdot 10^3$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)	$5 \cdot 10^6$	(McGregor and Anastasio, 2001)

VAL	$8.5 \cdot 10^8$	(Prütz and Vogel, 1976)	$4 \cdot 10^1$	(Ignatenko and Cherenkevich, 1985)		

Table S4: Selected experimental studies of amino acid oxidation by various oxidants. Note that the experimental conditions were not necessarily atmospherically-relevant. Products are only listed to demonstrate the wide variety of possible reaction pathways and products.

Amino acid	Oxidant	Main product(s)	Reference
ARG	Fenton chemistry	glutamic semialdehyde	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003) and reference therein
ASP	OH	NH ₃ , Malonic, oxalic and formic acids	(Marion et al., 2018)
CYS	Fenton chemistry	-S-S-disulfide cross-links	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003)
GLY	OH	Oxalic, formic, oxamic acids	(Berger et al., 1999)
GLY	O ₃	Nitrate, nitrites	(Berger et al., 1999)
GLY-ALA-VAL-PRO peptides	OH	Hydroperoxides, alcohols	(Morgan et al., 2012)
HIS	O ₃	PRO	(Mudd et al., 1969)
HIS	Fenton chemistry	ASP, ASN, 2-oxoimidazoline	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003) and references therein
LEU	OH	Isovaleric acid and other carbonyl compounds	
LYS	Fenton chemistry	2-amino-adipic semialdehyde	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003) and references therein
MET	O ₃	Methionine sulfoxide	(Mudd et al., 1969)
PHE	ROS	TYR	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003)
PHE	Direct UV absorption	TYR	(Pattison et al., 2012)
PRO	Fenton chemistry	GLU, pyroglutamate, Cis/trans-4-hydroxyproline, 2-pyrrolidone, glutamic semialdehyde	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003) and reference therein
SER	OH	carbonyl and carboxylic acid	
THR	Fenton chemistry	2-amino-3-ketobutyric acid	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003) and references therein
THR	O ₃	Dihydroxyphenylalanine	(Mudd et al., 1969)

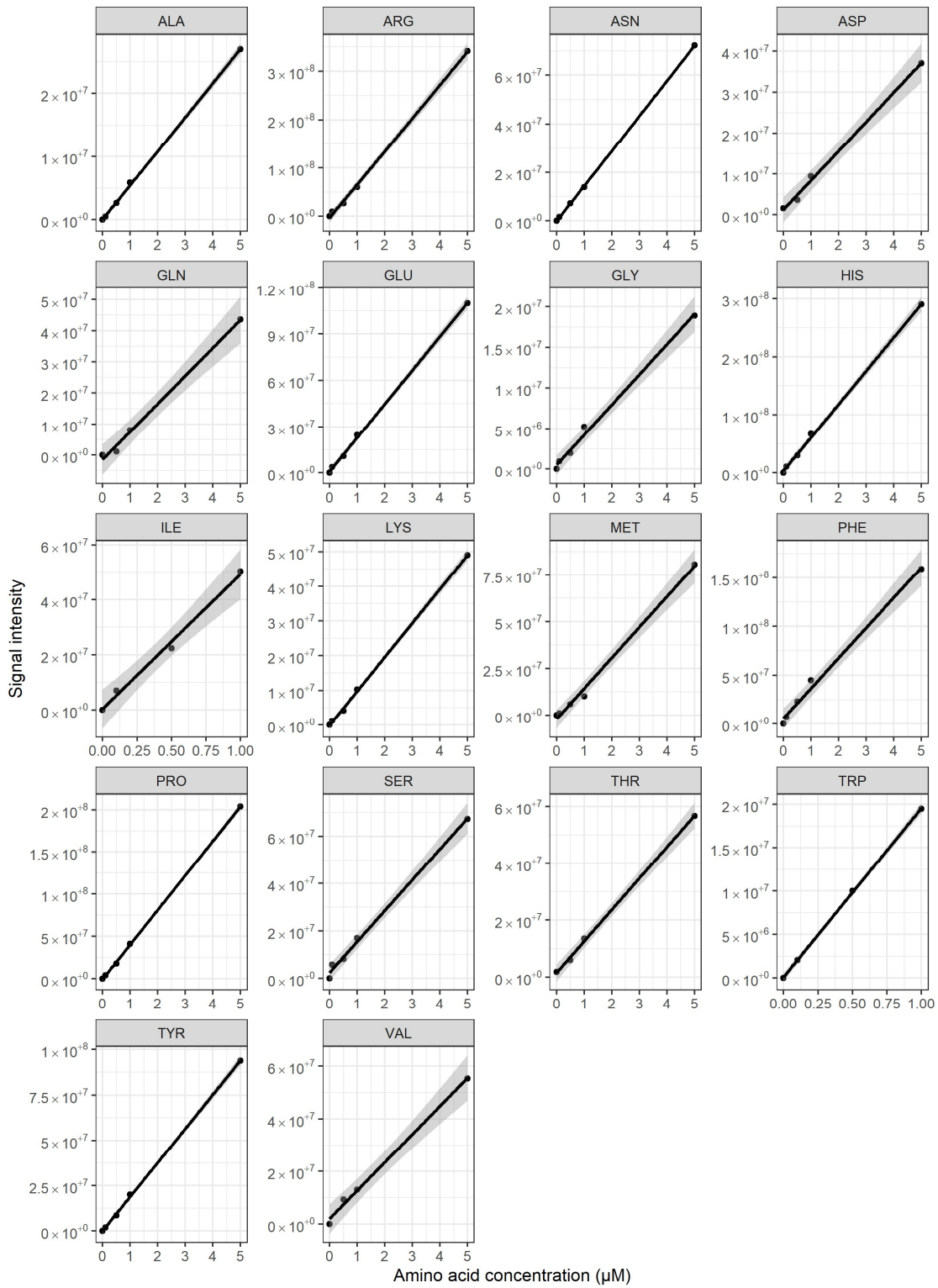
TRP	OH	Formic and acetic acids, many aromatic intermediates	(Bianco et al., 2016)
TRP	¹ O ₂	3α-hydroxypyrrroloindole; <i>N</i> -formylkynurenine, kynurenine, 3α-dihydroxypyrrroloindole.	
TYR	OH	Enedial	(Prasse et al., 2018)
TYR	Fenton chemistry	Tyr-Tyr cross-links	(Stadtman, 1993; Stadtman and Levine, 2003) and references therein
TYR	¹ O ₂ or direct UV absorption	3α-hydroxy-6-oxo-2,3,3a,6,7,7a-hexahydro-1H-indol-2-carboxylic acid	

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60 **Figure S1:** Calibration curves for LC-HRMS experiments

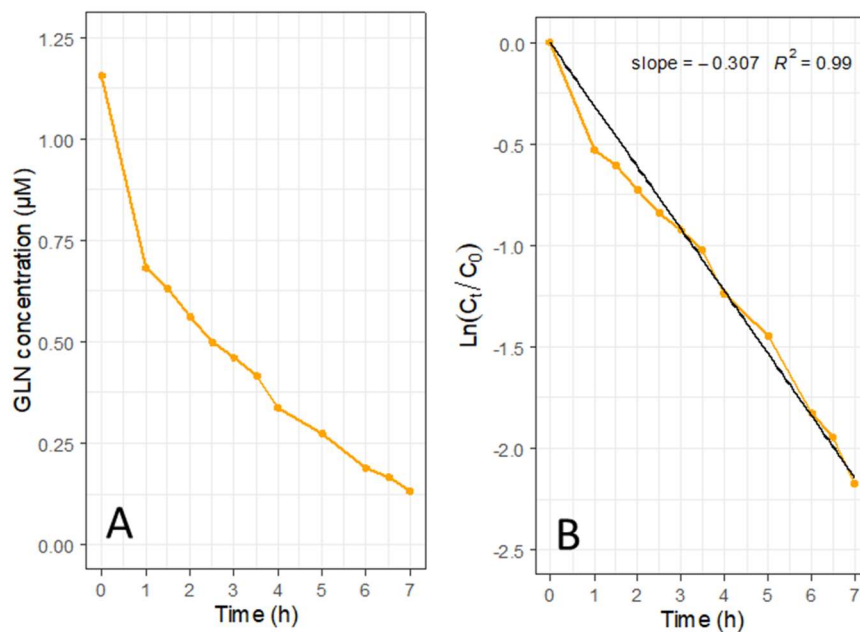
Example of biodegradation rate calculation:

Bacterial degradation of amino acids follows a first order decay equation as $C_t = C_0 \cdot e^{-kt}$ with t the incubation time, C_0 and C_t the initial concentration and concentration at t respectively and k the first order decay constant.

First, concentration of each amino acid is followed through time (Figure S2A) by LC-HRMS as described in the Materials and Methods section. Values are converted to determine k corresponding to the slope of $\ln(C_t/C_0) = f(t)$ (Figure S2B)

Biodegradation rates are then calculated as follows: $V_b = \frac{k \times C_0}{N_{cell}}$ with V_b the biodegradation rate (in $\text{mol h}^{-1} \text{ cell}^{-1}$), k the first order decay constant (in h^{-1}), C_0 the initial concentration in amino acid (in mol L^{-1}) and N_{cell} the bacterial concentration (in cell L^{-1}).

In this example, $N_{cell} = 4 \cdot 10^8 \text{ cell L}^{-1}$ and $C_0 = 1.16 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ so $V_b = 8.88 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ mol h}^{-1} \text{ cell}^{-1}$



Figures S2: Example of calculation of the biodegradation rate of GLN. A) time dependence of GLN concentration with time measured by LC-HRMS. B) $\ln(C_t/C_0)=f(t)$, degradation rates are calculated from the slope at the origin.

C_t : GLN measured concentration at time = t , C_0 :GLN measured concentration at time zero.

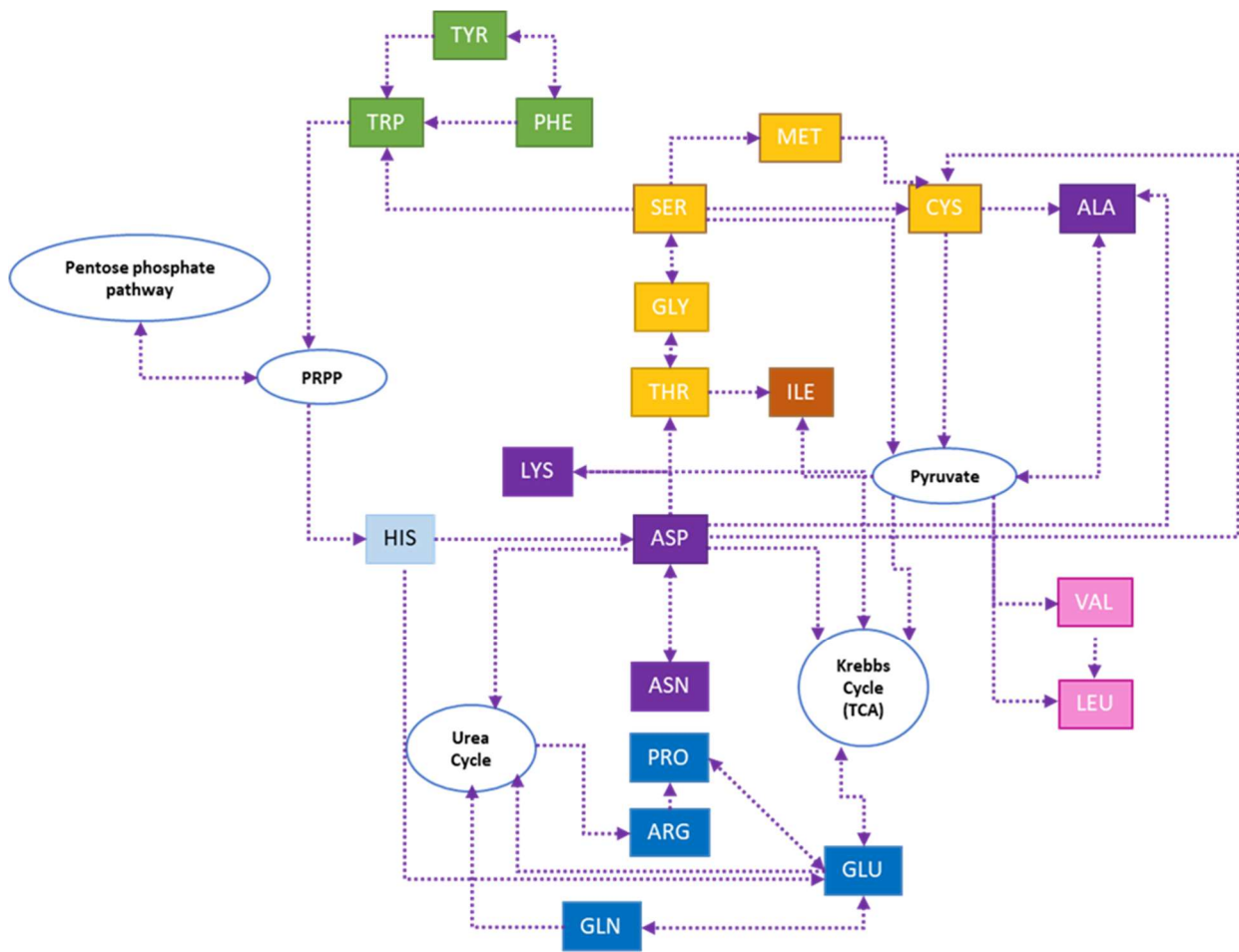


Figure S3: Main metabolic routes for AA metabolism according to KEGG pathway database.

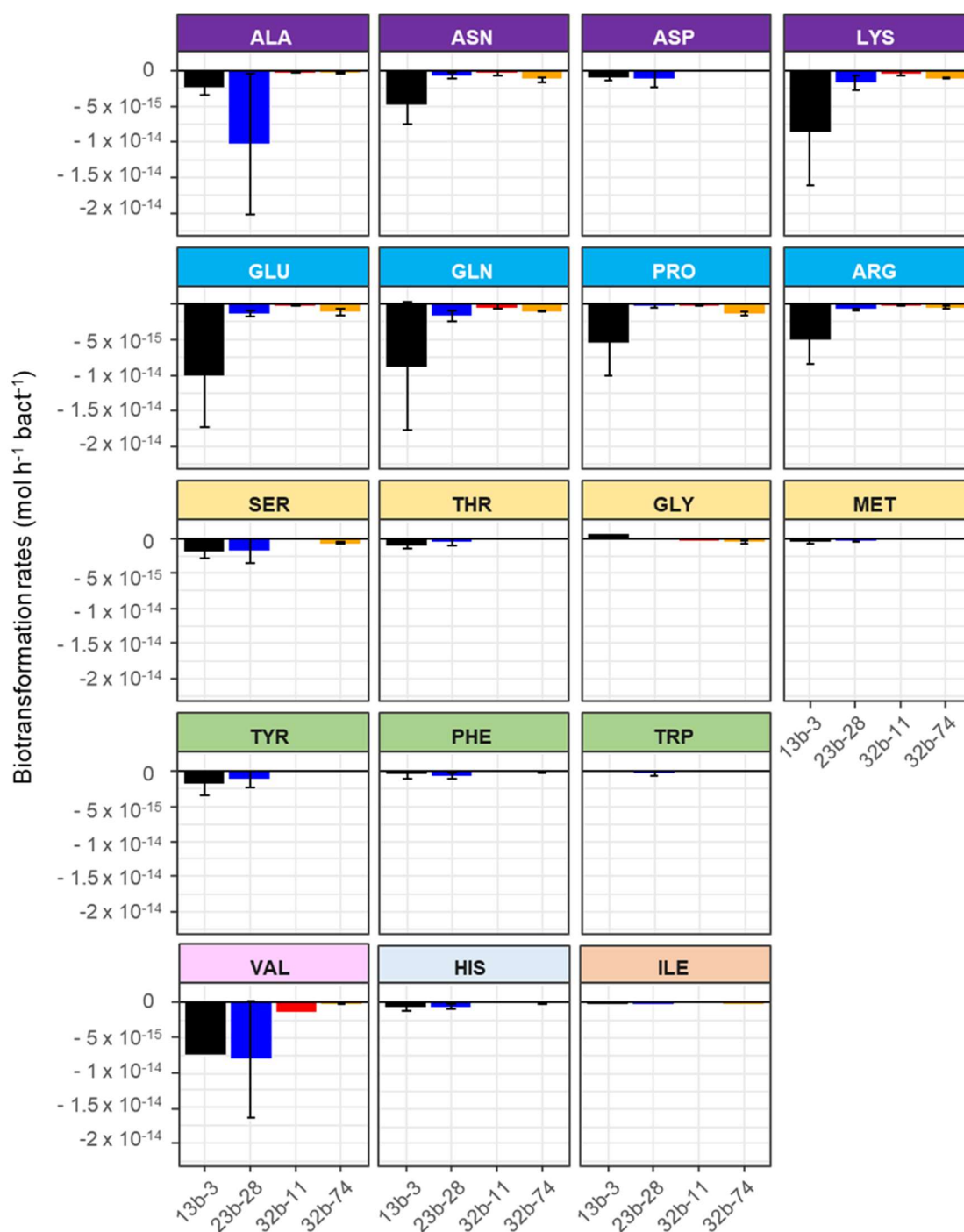


Figure S4: Biotransformation rates (mol bact⁻¹ h⁻¹) of AA by the four bacterial strains grouped according to the metabolic pathways of the AA (see Figure S3). *Pseudomonas graminis* PDD-13b-3 in black, *Rhodococcus enclensis* PDD-23b-28 in blue, *Sphingomonas* sp. PDD-32b-11 in red and *Pseudomonas syringae* PDD-32b-74 in orange). The standard error bars reflect the rather important biological variability measured from 3 triplicates (independent incubations). Positive values correspond to a biosynthesis process, negative values to a biodegradation process.

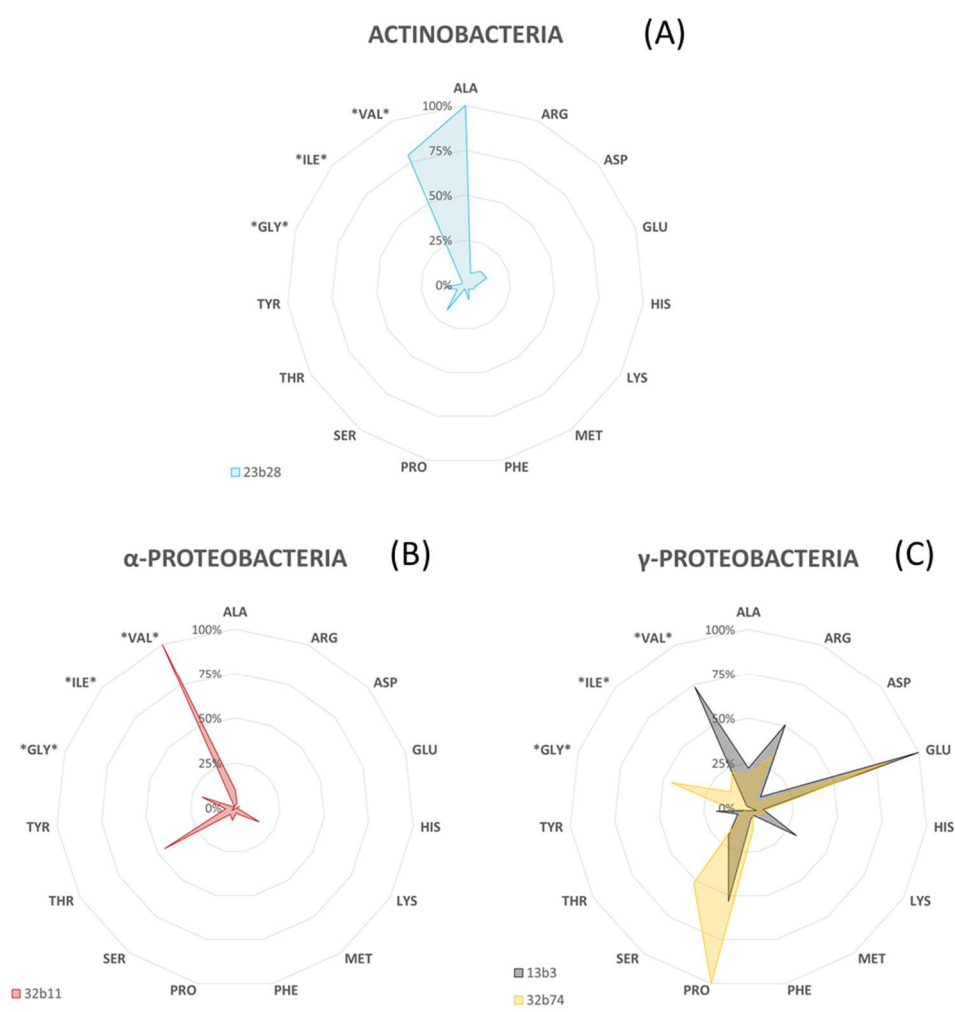


Figure S5: Comparison of the ability of the different strains to metabolize amino acids according to their phylogeny: (A) Actinobacteria (*Rhodococcus enclensis* PDD-23b-28 in blue), (B) α -Proteobacteria (*Spingomonas* sp PDD-32b-11 in red), (C) γ -Proteobacteria (*Pseudomonas graminis* PDD-13b-3 in black and *Pseudomonas syringae* PDD-32b-74 in yellow). The rates of biodegradation (average from 3 replicates) are presented as a % for each amino acid in the form of a radar plot. For each strain the highest rate is put at 100%. (* only one replicate value was available).

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