

Supplementary Information

Bacterial crude oil and polyaromatic hydrocarbon degraders from Kazakh oil fields as barley growth support

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Supplementary Table S1: Sampling sites and sampling conditions of samples from Dossor field, Zaburunye field and Balgimbaev field (Kazakhstan)

	Zaburunye field		Dossor field		Balgimbaev field	
Sample	ZSS1	ZSS2	DSS1	DSS2	BSS1	BSS2
Region	Zaburunye gas and oil field located in Isatayevsky district of Atyrau region, 170 km west-southwest of Atyrau city		Dossor oil field located in Makat district of Atyrau region, 90 km east of Atyrau city		Balgimbaev oil field belongs to the Isatai district of the Atyrau region, 10 km from the village Akkistau	
Characterisation	Solonchak	Solonchak	Sandy solonchak	Sandy solonchak	Solonchak	Solonchak
Date of sampling	September 2019	September 2019	September 2019	September 2019	September 2019	September 2019
Temperature of area (°C)	19 – 20 °C	19 – 20 °C	19 – 20 °C	19 – 20 °C	19 – 20 °C	19 – 20 °C
Longitude	50.149444	50.149444	52.987500	52.987500	51.014722	51.014722
Latitude	46.766667	46.766667	47.533056	47.533056	47.084167	47.084167
Residual hydrocarbon content (mg/kg soil)	1151 - 1565	22560 - 33265	3990 - 4158	58770 - 61589	5127 - 5752	68216 - 82554

Supplementary Table S2: Results of identification of the isolated bacteria by 16S rRNA gene sequence analysis, KOH test to determine the Gram characteristic and oxidative/ fermentative test, and characterization by cell morphology and colony appearance.

Isolate/ Genbank accession number	Result of identification	16S rRNA gene sequence analysis ^{a)}						Gram stain	Oxidative/ fermentative and glucose teste	Cell morphology and colony appearance
		Description	Max score	Total score	Query cover	Ident	Accession			
IIZ (2Z_1) SBUG 2290/ OR059175	<i>Arthrobacter bussei/agilis</i> determined according to Flegler et al. (2020) and Koch et al. (1995) ^a	<i>Arthrobacter bussei</i> strain KR32 16S ribosomal RNA, partial sequence	2608	2608	100%	99.93%	NR_170399.1	gram-positive	OF: not yellow, no evaluation possible G: not yellow, negative	cells: coccus-shaped, red-orange colonies
		<i>Arthrobacter</i> sp. strain JHARAB1_N 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2608	2608	100%	99.93%	MG757950.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter</i> sp. 4_C7_42 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2608	2608	100%	99.93%	EF540497.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter antioxidans</i> strain QL17 chromosome, complete genome	2603	10412	100%	99.86%	CP095501.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter agilis</i> strain G23 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2601	2601	100%	99.86%	MT397140.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter</i> sp. N5 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2601	2601	99%	99.86%	DQ531645.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter</i> sp. VTT E-052904 16S ribosomal RNA gene, complete sequence	2599	2599	100%	99.79%	EF093123.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter agilis</i> strain DSM 20550 16S ribosomal RNA, partial sequence	2597	2597	100%	99.79%	NR_170400.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter agilis</i> strain NCTC2676_1 genome assembly, chromosome: 1	2597	5195	100%	99.79%	LR131272.1			
		<i>Arthrobacter cheniae</i> 16S ribosomal RNA gene, complete sequence	2597	2597	100%	99.79%	JX949321.2			
XVIIIB (17B_7) SBUG 2291/ OR059176	<i>Bacillus atrophaeus</i>	<i>Bacillus atrophaeus</i> strain cqs2 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MN826517.1	gram-positive	OF: not yellow, no evaluation possible G: yellow, positive	cells: rod-shaped, predominantly solitary rods, oval endospores, dark beige colonies
		<i>Bacillus atrophaeus</i> strain DX1708 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MT250840.1			
		<i>Bacillus atrophaeus</i> strain SCA-164 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MT125703.1			

		Bacillus atrophaeus strain EGI76 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MN704540.1			
		Bacillus atrophaeus strain LKYLW-1 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MF375905.1			
		Bacillus atrophaeus strain AKLSR1 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MG920142.1			
		Bacillus velezensis strain C40101 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MK070087.1			
		Bacillus sp. (in: Bacteria) strain Z41 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MG470693.1			
		Bacillus atrophaeus strain JMB002 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MG546212.1			
		Bacillus atrophaeus strain BA59 chromosome, complete genome	2643	22878	100%	100.00%	CP024051.1			
VIIB (7B_6) SBUG 2285/ OR059177	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain At3 chromosome, complete genome	2643	29030	100%	100.00%	CP051462.1	gram- positive	OF: not yellow, no evaluation possible G: yellow, positive	cells: rod- shaped, single, in pairs and in short chains, oval endospores, beige- coloured colonies
		<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> subsp. inaquosorum strain T1 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MT339257.1			
		<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain LSRBMoFPIKRGCFTRI24 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MT133331.1			
		<i>Bacillus</i> sp. (in: Bacteria) strain 74 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MT126330.1			
		<i>Bacillus</i> sp. (in: Bacteria) strain M14 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MN714635.1			
		<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain G16 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MK049903.1			
		<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> subsp. inaquosorum strain AHV-KH11 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MH819659.1			
		Bacterium strain BLE9.4 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MN044963.1			

		<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain 810SS1 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MK713698.1			
		<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> strain cd4 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2643	2643	100%	100.00%	MK256680.1			
ID (1D_4) SBUG 2289/ OR059178	<i>Dietzia kunjamensis</i> determined according to Mayilraj et al. (2006) ^a	<i>Dietzia maris</i> 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	MG195153.1	gram-positive	OF: not yellow, no evaluation possible G: not yellow, negative	cells: rod-shaped and coccoid, single and in groups, red colonies
		<i>Dietzia</i> sp. K1D201 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	KX097064.1			
		<i>Dietzia maris</i> strain IHBB 9296 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	KR085794.1			
		<i>Dietzia kunjamensis</i> strain 313 chromosome, complete genome	2571	7709	99%	99.93%	CP099712.1			
		<i>Dietzia kunjamensis</i> strain D143 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	ON810444.1			
		Uncultured bacterium clone 24B33 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	JN882174.1			
		<i>Dietzia</i> sp. WR-3 gene for 16S rRNA, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	AB576128.1			
		<i>Dietzia</i> sp. f18(2011) 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	HQ652543.1			
		<i>Dietzia</i> sp. f5(2011) 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	HQ652542.1			
		<i>Dietzia kunjamensis</i> strain DSM 44907 16S ribosomal RNA, partial sequence	2571	2571	99%	99.93%	NR_116684.1			
IVZ (4Z_3) SBUG 2287/ OR059179	<i>Kocuria rosea</i> determined according to Stackebrandt et al. (1995) ^a	<i>Kocuria</i> sp. strain HY2 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2590	2590	100%	99.86%	MT568619.1	gram-positive	OF: not yellow, no evaluation possible G: not yellow, negative	cells: coccoid, single, in pairs and in clusters, yellow-orange colonies
		Uncultured bacterium clone Untreatedsoil-0day-54 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2590	2590	100%	99.86%	MF314777.2			
		<i>Kocuria rosea</i> strain RR75 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.79%	MK532258.1			
		<i>Kocuria himachalensis</i> gene for 16S ribosomal RNA, partial sequence, strain: JCM 13326	2584	2584	100%	99.79%	LC113906.1			
		<i>Kocuria rosea</i> strain IHBB 9835 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.79%	KR085904.1			

		<i>Kocuria rosea</i> strain IHBB 11066 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.79%	KR085855.1			
		<i>Kocuria</i> sp. BSw21858 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.79%	JQ069960.1			
		<i>Kocuria rosea</i> strain 2P03AA 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.79%	EU977667.1			
		<i>Kocuria</i> sp. S26-8 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.79%	DQ060377.1			
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		<i>Kocuria rosea</i> strain SRCF20 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2590	2590	100%	99.86%	KP326562.1			
		<i>Kocuria polaris</i> strain YJ-S12 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2590	2590	99%	99.93%	KF876845.1			
		<i>Kocuria polaris</i> strain CMS 76or 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2588	2588	100%	99.86%	KX959605.1			
		Actinomycetia bacterium strain Qhu-F128 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2588	2588	100%	99.86%	OP881659.1			
		<i>Kocuria polaris</i> strain D48 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2588	2588	100%	99.86%	ON810396.1			
		<i>Kocuria</i> sp. NO19 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2588	2588	100%	99.86%	KC200019.1			
		<i>Kocuria</i> sp. strain FKR18-2 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2586	2586	99%	99.86%	MZ905177.1			
		<i>Kocuria</i> sp. A13 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2586	2586	100%	99.79%	EU372960.1			
VIID (7D_5) SBUG 2286/ OR059181	<i>Micrococcus luteus</i>	<i>Micrococcus luteus</i> strain H399 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.86%	MH669309.1	gram-positive	OF: not yellow, no evaluation possible G: not yellow, negative	cells: cocci, present as diplococci, tetrads or larger cell clusters, yellow colonies
		<i>Micrococcus luteus</i> strain NCCP 16831 chromosome, complete genome	2584	5147	100%	99.86%	CP043842.1			
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		<i>Micrococcus</i> sp. strain Actino-43 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.86%	MH671539.1			

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	Micrococcus sp. SL257 chromosome	2584	5152	100%	99.86%	CP113053.1			
	Micrococcus sp. strain LD141 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.86%	MW832366.1			
	Micrococcus luteus strain OH4847 16S ribosomal RNA gene, partial sequence	2584	2584	100%	99.86%	KF030221.1			

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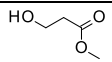
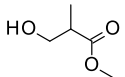
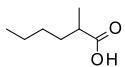
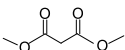
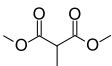
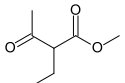
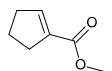
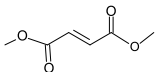
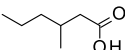
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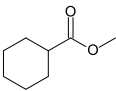
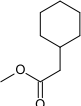
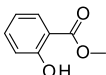
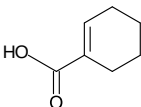
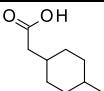
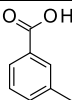
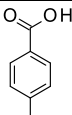
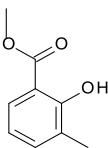
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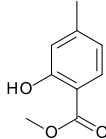
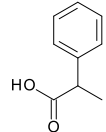
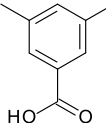
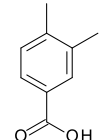
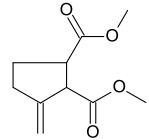
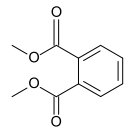
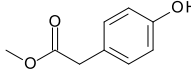
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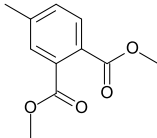
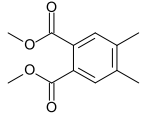
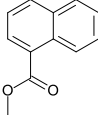
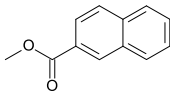
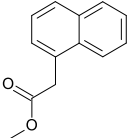
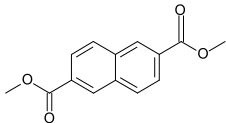
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Supplementary Table S3. Mass spectrometric data of aliphatic and aromatic acids identified during growth on crude oil of *Dietzia kunjamensis* SBUG 2289. These compounds were analysed by GC/MS. The extracted acids were transformed for analytical purposes by methylation to the corresponding methyl esters, some acids occur in unmethylated form.

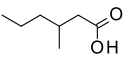
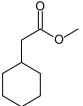
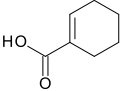
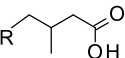
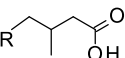
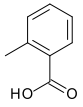
No	t _R (min)	Metabolites	m/z (%) (70 eV) - analyzed with GC/MS
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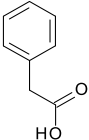
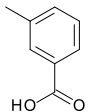
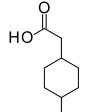
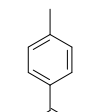
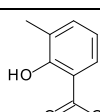
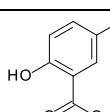
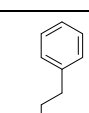
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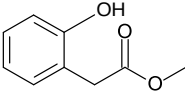
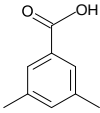
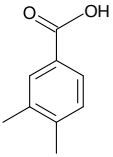
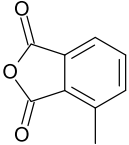
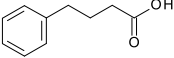
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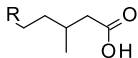
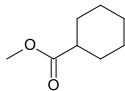
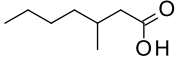
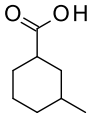
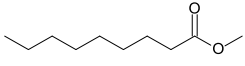
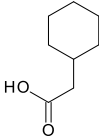
Supplementary Table S4. Mass spectrometric data of aliphatic and aromatic acids identified during growth on crude oil of *Arthrobacter bussei/agilis* SBUG 2290. These compounds were analysed by GC/MS. The extracted acids were transformed for analytical purposes by methylation to the corresponding methyl esters, some acids occur in unmethylated form.

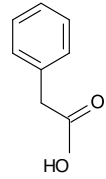
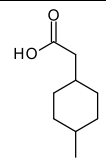
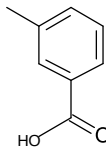
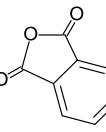
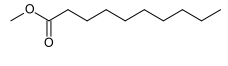
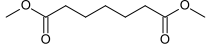
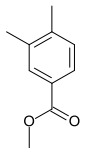
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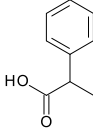
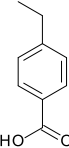
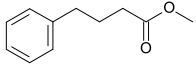
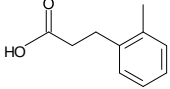
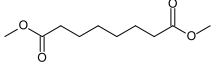
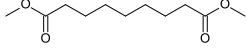
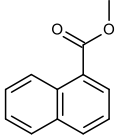
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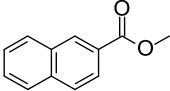
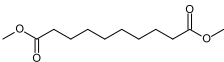
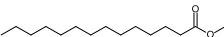
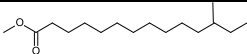
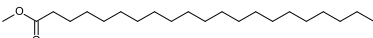
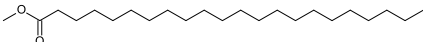
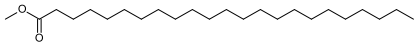
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Supplementary Table S5. Mass spectrometric data of aliphatic and aromatic acids identified during growth on crude oil of *Kocuria polaris* SBUG 2288. These compounds were analysed by GC/MS. The extracted acids were transformed for analytical purposes by methylation to the corresponding methyl esters, some acids occur in unmethylated form.

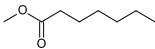
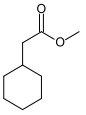
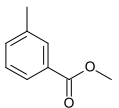
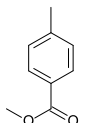
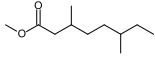
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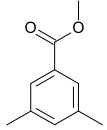
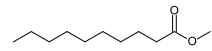
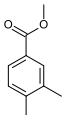
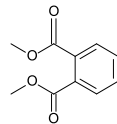
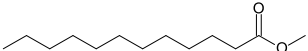
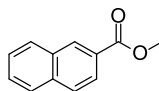
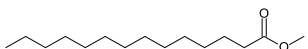
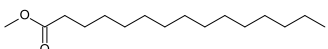
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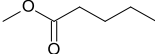
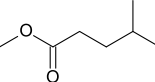
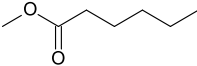
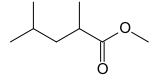
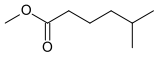
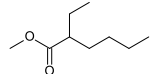
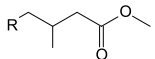
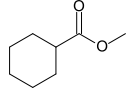
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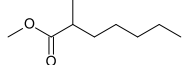
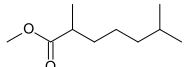
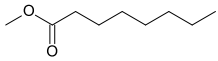
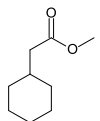
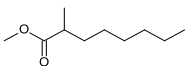
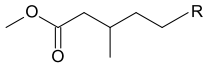
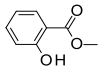
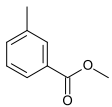
Supplementary Table S6. Mass spectrometric data of aliphatic and aromatic acids identified during growth on crude oil of *Kocuria rosea* SBUG 2287. These compounds were analysed by GC/MS. The extracted acids were transformed for analytical purposes by methylation to the corresponding methyl esters, some acids occur in unmethylated form.

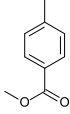
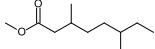
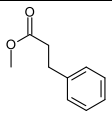
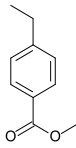
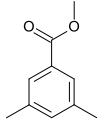
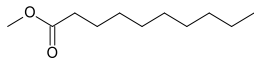
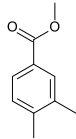
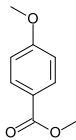
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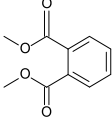
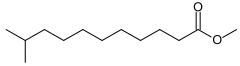
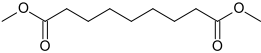
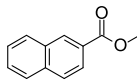
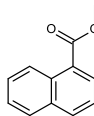
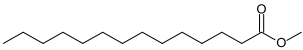
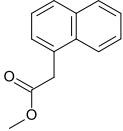
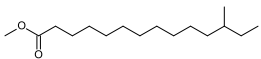
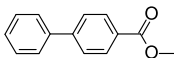
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Supplementary Table S7. Mass spectrometric data of aliphatic and aromatic acids identified during growth on crude oil of *Bacillus subtilis* SBUG 2285. These compounds were analysed by GC/MS. The extracted acids were transformed for analytical purposes by methylation to the corresponding methyl esters, some acids occur in unmethylated form.

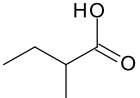
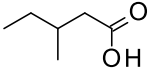
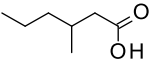
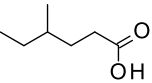
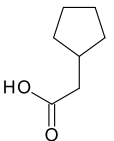
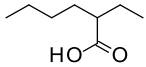
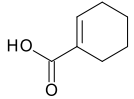
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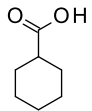
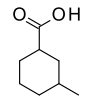
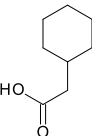
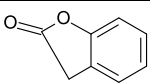
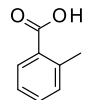
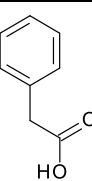
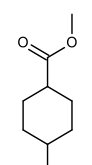
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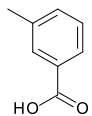
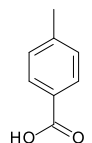
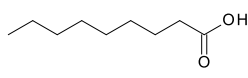
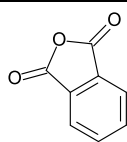
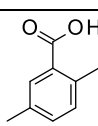
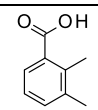
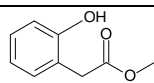
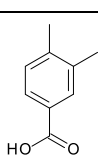
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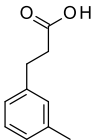
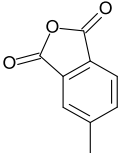
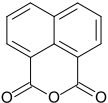
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M128	34.5		41(26.0), 55 (40.0), 56 (7.0), 57 (12.0), 67 (6.0), 74 (100.0), 75 (17.0), 83 (12.0), 87 (64.0), 97 (10.0), 143 (13.0), 177 (4.0), 199 (16.0), 227 (4.0), 256 (4.0) 41, 55, 56, 57, 67, 74, 75, 83, 87, 97, 143, 177 199, 227, 256 standard from the library NIST
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Supplementary Table S8. Mass spectrometric data of aliphatic and aromatic acids identified during growth on crude oil of *Micrococcus luteus* SBUG 2286. These compounds were analysed by GC/MS. The extracted acids were transformed for analytical purposes by methylation to the corresponding methyl esters, some acids occur in unmethylated form.

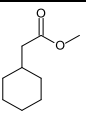
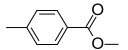
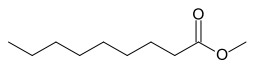
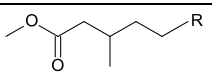
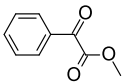
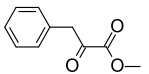
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M134	11.5		41 (67.0), 42 (14.0), 43 (51.0), 45 (26.0), 55 (77.0), 56 (18.0), 57 (35.0), 60 (36.0), 61 (4.0), 69 (18.0), 71 (100.0), 73 (65.0), 74 (40.0), 83 (30.0), 101 (20.0) 41, 42, 43, 45, 55, 56, 57, 59, 60, 61, 69, 71, 73, 74, 83, 101 standard from the library NIST
M135	13.4 13.6 st		39 (29.0), 41 (51.0), 42 (32.0), 43 (34.0), 55 (50.0), 60 (100.0), 61 (64.0), 67 (26.0), 68 (58.0), 69 (36.0), 85 (6.0), 99 (12.0), 128 (4.0) 39 (26.0), 41 (46.0), 42 (15.0), 43 (11.0), 55 (26.0), 60 (100.0), 61 (64.0), 67 (31.0), 68 (66.0), 69 (33.0), 85 (27.0), 99 (20.0), 128 (3.0) measured standard 39, 41, 42, 43, 55, 60, 6, 67, 68, 69, 85, 99, 128 standard from the library NIST
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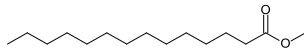
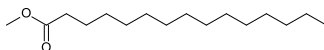
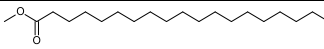
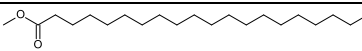
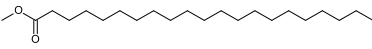
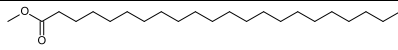
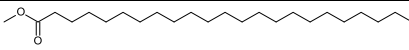
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M140	16.8		39 (45.0), 41 (67.0), 54 (25.0), 55 (98.0), 60 (100.0), 61 (56.0), 67 (66.0), 81 (53.0), 82 (73.0), 83 (76.0), 142 (4.0) 39, 41, 54, 55, 60, 61, 67, 81, 82, 83, 142 standard from the library NIST
M141	17.6		38 (10.0), 39 (17.0), 50 (16.0), 52 (21.0), 77 (19.0), 78 (100.0), 106 (36.0), 134 (45.0) 38, 39, 50, 51, 52, 77, 78, 106, 134 standard from the library NIST
M142	18.0		39 (32.0), 50 (13.0), 51 (12.0), 63 (34.0), 65 (44.0), 89 (27.0), 90 (87.0), 91 (100.0), 118 (87.0), 119 (33.0), 136 (78.0) 39, 50, 51, 63, 65, 89, 90, 91, 118, 119, 136 standard from the library NIST
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Supplementary Table S9. Mass spectrometric data of aliphatic and aromatic acids identified during growth on crude oil of *Bacillus atrophaeus* SBUG 2291. These compounds were analysed by GC/MS. The extracted acids were transformed for analytical purposes by methylation to the corresponding methyl esters, some acids occur in unmethylated form.

No	tr (min)	Metabolites	m/z (%) (70 eV) - analyzed with GC/MS
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M159	16.9		39 (8.0), 63 (11.0), 65 (17.0), 91 (43.0), 119 (100.0), 120 (9.0), 150 (21.0) 39, 63, 65, 91, 119, 120, 150 standard from the library NIST
M160	17.4 17.6 st	 C9	39 (3.0), 41 (15.0), 55 (28.0), 59 (19.0), 74 (100.0), 75 (10.0), 83 (5.0), 87 (50.0), 88 (15.0), 101 (9.0), 129 (10.0), 141 (7.0), 143 (6.0), 172 (2.0) 39 (5.0), 41 (15.0), 55 (17.0), 59 (11.0), 74 (100.0), 75 (8.0), 83 (3.0), 87 (48.0), 88 (4.0), 101 (6.0), 129 (11.0), 141 (11.0), 143 (9.0), 172 (1.0) measured standard 39, 41, 55, 59, 74, 75, 83, 87, 88, 101, 129, 141, 143, 172 standard from the library NIST
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