

Supplementary information for:

Yarrowia lipolytica as a platform for punicic acid production

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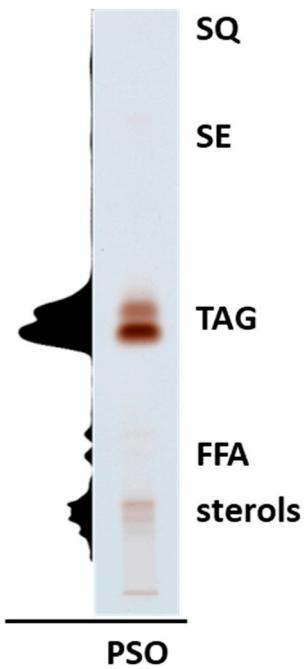
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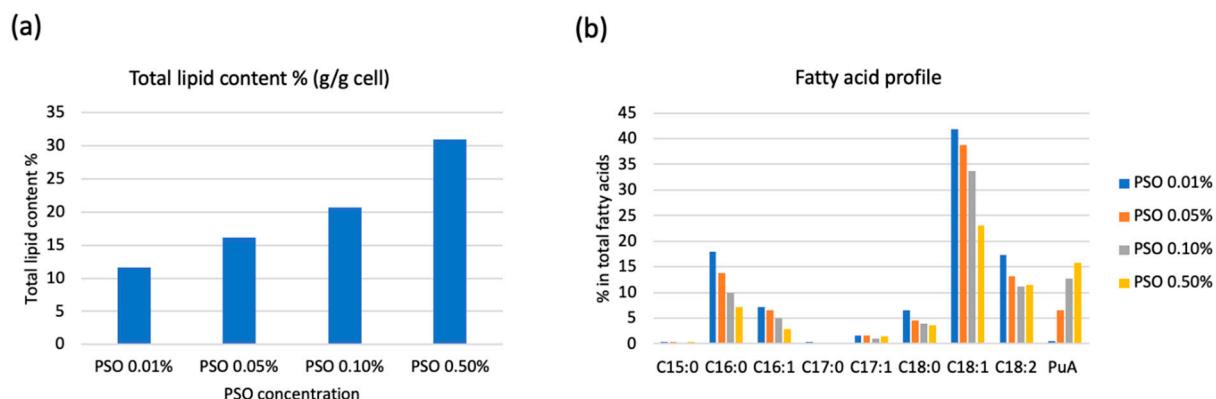
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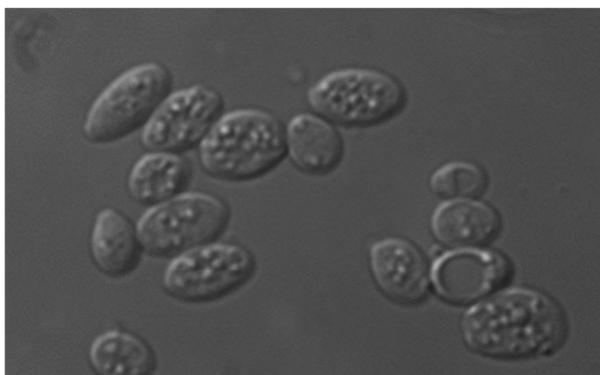


Supplementary Figure S1. Neutral lipid profile of PSO (densitogram (276 nm) and visualization). Abbreviation: SQ (squalene), SE (steryl ester), TAG (triacylglycerol), FFA (free fatty acid).

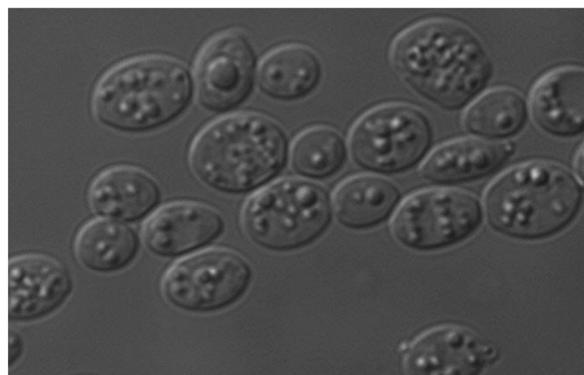


Supplementary Figure S2. Lipid content and fatty acid profiles of *Y. lipolytica* JMY3820 obese strain upon pomegranate seed oil (PSO) feeding. Yeast cells were grown for 72 hours in YPD (2% glucose) media supplemented with four different PSO concentrations (0.01%, 0.05%, 0.1% and 0.5%). **(a)** lipid content as gWW/ gDCW, **(b)** lipid profiles as a percentage of total lipid.

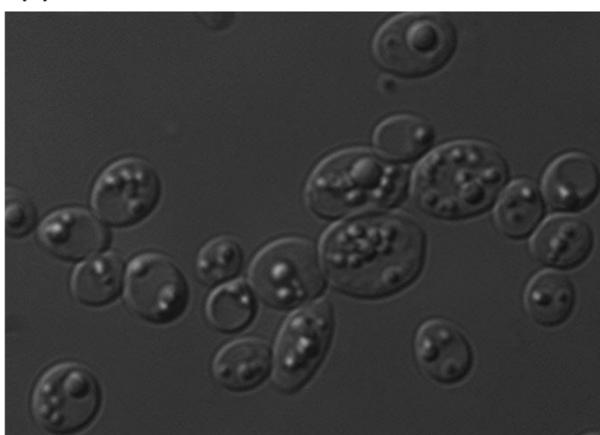
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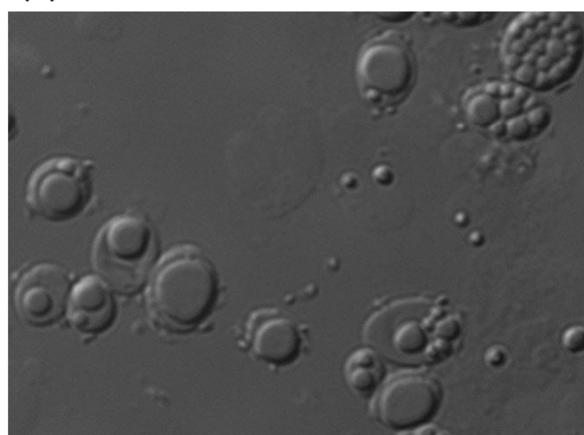
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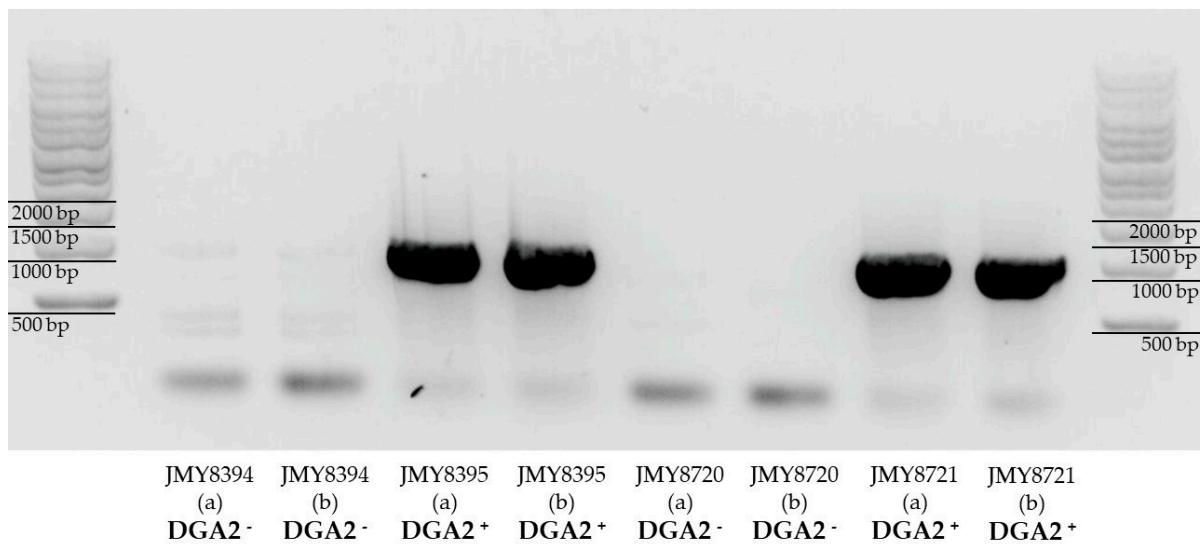
(c) 0.1% PSO



(d) 0.5% PSO



Supplementary Figure S3. Microscopic imaging of *Y. lipolytica* JMY3820 obese strain upon pomegranate seed oil (PSO) feeding. Yeast cells were grown for 72 hours in YPD (2% glucose) media supplemented with four different PSO concentrations: (a) 0.01%, (b) 0.05%, (c) 0.1%, (d) 0.5%. Images were obtained using a Zeiss Axio Imager M2 microscope (Zeiss, Le Pecq, France) with a 100 \times objective lens and Zeiss filter sets 45 and 46 for fluorescence microscopy. Axiovision 4.8 software (Zeiss, Le Pecq, France) was used for image acquisition.



Supplementary Figure S4. Verification of the presence of *pTEF-DGA2* cassette in the genome of JMY8394, JMY8395, JMY8720 and JMY8721 strains. The presence of *pTEF-DGA2* was confirmed by PCR with the pTEF-internal-Fw2 (5'-CCAATTGACCCAAATTGACC-3') and DGA2-Rev (5'-ATGAGGCAGTTGAGAGACAG-3') primers and subsequent electrophoresis. The expected length of the fragment was 992 base pairs (bp). Two parallel experiments were performed for each strain.

Supplementary Table S1. Relative level of PuA in *Y. lipolytica* cells grown in media supplemented with PSO.

PSO concentration	PuA in lipids (%)	PuA in FFA (%)
0.5%	14.3 ± 1.7	42.8 ± 15.2
1.0%	21.9 ± 6.3	47.9 ± 11.1

results from three independent experiments

Supplementary Table S2. Cultivation of all constructed *PgFADX*-expressing *Y. lipolytica* strains for 72 hours on YPD medium containing 6% (w/v) glucose for JMY8381 (control strain), JMY8393 (*URA3ex-pTEF-PgFADX*), JMY8394 (*URA3ex-pTEF-PgFADX*), JMY8395 (*URA3ex-pTEF-PgFADX*), and on YPDE medium containing 6% (w/v) glucose and 2% (w/v) erythritol for JMY8710 ($\Delta eyk1$ control strain), JMY8714 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYK1\ 4AB-PgFADX$), JMY8715 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYK1\ 4AB-PgFADX$), JMY8716 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYK1\ 4AB-PgFADX$), JMY8717 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYD1-PgFADX$), JMY8718 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYD1-PgFADX$), JMY8719 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYD1-PgFADX$), JMY8720 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYK1\ 4AB-coreTEF-PgFADX$), JMY8721 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYK1\ 4AB-coreTEF-PgFADX$) and JMY8722 ($\Delta eyk1 + URA3ex-pEYK1\ 4AB-coreTEF-PgFADX$).

	<i>PgFADX</i> promoter	DCW (g/L)	TFA/DCW (%)	PuA (% of esterified FA)	PuA (μ g/mg DCW)
JMY8381 obese	-	19.1 \pm 0.1	34.2 \pm 1.9	-	-
JMY8393 obesex + PgFADX	<i>pTEF</i>	15.4 \pm 0.8	10.5 \pm 0.8	1.6 \pm 0.3	1.8 \pm 0.4
JMY8394 obesex + PgFADX	<i>pTEF</i>	13.5 \pm 0.3	9.2 \pm 0.2	1.6 \pm 0.0	1.5 \pm 0.0
JMY8395 obese + PgFADX	<i>pTEF</i>	18.6 \pm 0.6	33.5 \pm 1.4	0.4 \pm 0.2	0.9 \pm 0.0
JMY8710 obese + $\Delta eyk1$	-	14.4 \pm 0.3	25.5 \pm 1.4	-	-
JMY8714 obese + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYK1\ 4AB</i>	14.7 \pm 0.2	27.9 \pm 4	0.3 \pm 0.0	0.9 \pm 0.4
JMY8715 obese + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYK1\ 4AB</i>	17.5 \pm 0.9	33.7 \pm 0.1	0.3 \pm 0.0	1.0 \pm 0.1
JMY8716 obese + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYK1\ 4AB</i>	18.3 \pm 0.3	30.9 \pm 3.6	0.3 \pm 0.0	1.0 \pm 0.1
JMY8717 obese + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYD1</i>	17.2 \pm 0.6	26.9 \pm 1.5	0.02 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0
JMY8718 obesex + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYD1</i>	12.4 \pm 1.0	6.9 \pm 0.6	0.4 \pm 0.2	0.3 \pm 0.2
JMY8719 obese + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYD1</i>	19.2 \pm 0.6	32.1 \pm 1.4	0.1 \pm 0.0	0.2 \pm 0.1
JMY8720 obesex + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYK1\ 4AB-coreTEF</i>	13.7 \pm 0.1	8.8 \pm 0.7	3.1 \pm 0.2	2.8 \pm 0.3
JMY8721 obese + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYK1\ 4AB-coreTEF</i>	19.9 \pm 0.3	31.6 \pm 0.4	0.5 \pm 0.1	1.8 \pm 0.1
JMY8722 obesex + $\Delta eyk1 + PgFADX$	<i>pEYK1\ 4AB-coreTEF</i>	13.5 \pm 0.6	8.0 \pm 0.4	2.8 \pm 1.0	2.3 \pm 0.9

For each data point, we used three biological replicates and calculated average and standard deviation values. The “x” designation next to the word obese means that the strain has lost the *pTEF-DGA2* overexpression cassette.

Supplementary Table S3. Sequences of FADX-expressing cassettes used in this study: the *NotI* fragments used to transform *Y. lipolytica* comprising the PgFADX and TkFADX expression cassettes under the control of different promoters (*pTEF*, *pEYK1-4AB*, *pEYD1AB* or *pEYK1-4AB-coreTEF*) and the *LIP2* terminator, along with an expression cassette for the *URA3* auxotrophic selection marker (*URA3ex*), flanked by two Zeta sequences (*ZetaUp* and *ZetaDown*) that allow random integrations into *Y. lipolytica* genome.

<i>FADX</i> gene	<i>PgFADX</i>
Promoter	<i>pTEF</i>
<i>E. coli</i> strain	JME5213
<i>Y. lipolytica</i> strain	JMY8395
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Promoter	<i>pEYK1-4AB-coreTEF</i>
<i>E. coli</i> strain	JME5336
<i>Y. lipolytica</i> strain	JMY8721

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Supplementary Table S4. Primers used in the study.

Name	Sequence (5' – 3')
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pEYK-internal-Fw	GTACGTTCAATCTGGGAAGCGG
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TkFADX-Rev	CGCCTTGCTGGAGCTCGATGC
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DGA2-Rev	ATGAGGCGAGTTGAGAGACAG