

## Supplementary Information Tables

**Table S1.** Composition of mineral medium (Zinder, 1998)

| Components       | Per (L) of distilled water  |
|------------------|---|
| Zinder medium    | NH <sub>4</sub> Cl                            0.5 g<br>K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub> 0.4 g<br>MgCl <sub>2</sub> .6H <sub>2</sub> O                    0.1 g<br>CaCl <sub>2</sub> .2H <sub>2</sub> O                    0.05 g<br>trace metal solution                10 mL<br>resazurin (1 g/L)                100 µL<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medium was flushed with 70 % N<sub>2</sub> / 30 % CO<sub>2</sub> for 45 min</li> <li>• Sealed with Teflon coated stoppers and crimped</li> <li>• Autoclaved (121°C, 40 min)</li> </ul> Amendments added post autoclave per 50 mL medium:<br>NaHCO <sub>3</sub> (10 %)                0.5 mL<br>Na <sub>2</sub> S (5 %)                    0.25 mL<br>Vitamins 10X                    0.5 mL |
| Vitamin solution | Per L:<br>biotin                              20 mg<br>folic acid                        20 mg<br>pyridoxine hydrochloride        100 mg<br>thiamine hydrochloride          50 mg<br>riboflavin                        50 mg<br>nicotinic acid                    50 mg<br>DL-calcium pantothenate        50 mg<br>Vitamin B12                      20 mg<br><i>p</i> -aminobenzoic acid          50 mg<br>lipoic acid                      50 mg<br>Note:<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• nitrogen flushed</li> <li>• sterile filtered in glovebox</li> </ul>  |
| Trace solution   | Per L:<br>nitriloacetic acid                4.5 g<br>FeSO <sub>4</sub> .7H <sub>2</sub> O                    556 mg   |

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|---|--------|
| MnSO <sub>4</sub> . H <sub>2</sub> O                | 86 mg  |
| CoCl <sub>2</sub> .6H <sub>2</sub> O                | 170 mg |
| ZnSO <sub>4</sub> .7H <sub>2</sub> O                | 210 mg |
| H <sub>3</sub> BO <sub>3</sub>                      | 19 mg  |
| NiCl <sub>2</sub> .6H <sub>2</sub> O                | 20 mg  |
| Na <sub>2</sub> MoO <sub>4</sub> .2H <sub>2</sub> O | 10 mg  |
| pH adjusted to 7.0 with 10 M KOH                    |        |

At least 600 µM added in (0.5 µL neat TCE)

Gas mix in chamber N<sub>2</sub> (95%) + H<sub>2</sub> (5%)

**Table S2.** Overview of microcosm replicates used in the study. Each temperature treatment (10–60°C) included five active TCE-amended replicates (A, B, C, F, G), two sterile controls (D, E; autoclaved and TCE-amended), and one anaerobic control (ANA; not amended with TCE). This setup enabled evaluation of both biological activity and abiotic controls across temperature regimes.

| Temperature<br>Incubation | Active replicates<br>TCE added | Sterile controls<br>- Autoclave sterilisation<br>-TCE added | Anaerobic control<br>No TCE added |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 10°C                      | 1A, 1B, 1C, 1F, 1G             | 1D, 1E  | 1ANA                              |
| 20°C                      | 2A, 2B, 2C, 2F, 2G             | 2D, 2E  | 2ANA                              |
| 30°C                      | 3A, 3B, 3C, 3F, 3G             | 3D, 3E  | 3ANA                              |
| 40°C                      | 4A, 4B, 4C, 4F, 4G             | 4D, 4E  | 4ANA                              |
| 50°C                      | 5A, 5B, 5C, 5F, 5G             | 5D, 5E  | 5ANA                              |
| 60°C                      | 6A, 6B, 6C, 6F, 6G             | 6D, 6E  | 6ANA                              |

**Table S3.** Replicate sequencing information, including if replicates were analysed, how many sequence reads were derived. Abbreviations: ENA sample ID= the European Nucleotide Archive (ENA) identifier used for archive sequence submission, Y= Yes, N= No, mcrA: methanogen specific primer mcrA, targeting the methyl coenzyme M reductase gene, TCE= TCE amended replicate, ANA= non TCE amended replicate, see Table S3 for explanation of the replicates

| Replicate | Sequenced for 16S rDNA | Sequence reads | ENA sample ID | Sequenced for mcrA | Sequence reads | ENA sample ID | Replicate | Sequenced for 16S rDNA | Sequence reads | ENA sample ID | Sequenced for mcrA | Sequence reads | ENA sample ID |
|-----------|------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|
| TCE 1A    | Y                      | 46883          | S0            | Y                  | 93062          | S36           | TCE 4A    | Y                      | 80846          | S18           | Y                  | 51018          | S42           |
| TCE 1B    | Y                      | 60171          | S1            | N                  |                |               | TCE 4B    | Y                      | 70019          | S19           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 1C    | Y                      | 70120          | S2            | N                  |                |               | TCE 4C    | Y                      | 69442          | S20           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 1D    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               | TCE 4D    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 1E    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               | TCE 4E    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 1F    | Y                      | 100879         | S3            | N                  |                |               | TCE 4F    | Y                      | 81024          | S21           | N                  |                | S43           |
| TCE 1G    | Y                      | 98215          | S4            | N                  |                |               | TCE 4G    | Y                      | 88258          | S22           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 1ANA  | Y                      | 81074          | S5            | Y                  | 69695          | S37           | TCE 4 ANA | Y                      | 63974          | S23           | Y                  | 113905         |               |
| TCE 2A    | Y                      | 104396         | S6            | Y                  | 81608          | S38           | TCE 5A    | Y                      | 71001          | S24           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 2B    | Y                      | 42205          | S7            | N                  |                |               | TCE 5B    | Y                      | 47505          | S25           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 2C    | Y                      | 86218          | S8            | N                  |                |               | TCE 5C    | Y                      | 80966          | S26           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 2D    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               | TCE 5D    | N                      |                |               | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 2E    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               | TCE 5E    | N                      |                |               | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 2F    | Y                      | 89551          | S9            | N                  |                |               | TCE 5F    | Y                      | 89982          | S27           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 2G    | Y                      | 76786          | S10           | N                  |                |               | TCE5G     | Y                      | 69688          | S28           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 2 ANA | Y                      | 87631          | S11           | Y                  | 77117          | S39           | TCE 5ANA  | Y                      | 64204          | S29           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3A    | Y                      | 56660          | S12           | Y                  | 55810          | S40           | TCE 6A    | Y                      | 83382          | S30           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3B    | Y                      | 46136          | S13           | N                  |                |               | TCE 6B    | Y                      | 67500          | S31           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3C    | Y                      | 71947          | S14           | N                  |                |               | TCE 6C    | Y                      | 74574          | S32           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3D    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               | TCE 6D    | N                      |                |               | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3E    | N                      | -              |               | N                  |                |               | TCE 6E    | N                      |                |               | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3F    | Y                      | 77523          | S15           | N                  |                |               | TCE 6F    | Y                      | 74784          | S33           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3G    | Y                      | 51973          | S16           | N                  |                |               | TCE 6G    | Y                      | 42211          | S34           | N                  |                |               |
| TCE 3 ANA | Y                      | 82805          | S17           | Y                  | 63779          | S41           | TCE 6ANA  | Y                      | 72670          | S35           | N                  |                |               |

**Table S4.** Shapiro–Wilk normality test results for ethene and methane concentrations across different temperature treatments ( $n = 5$  per group). The W statistic measures the degree to which the data conform to a normal distribution, with values approaching 1 indicating a higher degree of normality. The corresponding  $p$ -value determines the statistical significance of this deviation. Normality was assumed for  $p > 0.05$ . Significant deviations from normality were observed for ethene at 40°C and methane at 50°C ( $p < 0.001$ )

| compound | sample | n | W        | p_value  | normal |
|----------|--------|---|----------|----------|--------|
| ethene   | 10 °C  | 5 | 0.849173 | 0.191918 | TRUE   |
| ethene   | 20 °C  | 5 | 0.982363 | 0.946851 | TRUE   |
| ethene   | 30 °C  | 5 | 0.918554 | 0.520655 | TRUE   |
| ethene   | 40 °C  | 5 | 0.552394 | 0.000132 | FALSE  |
| ethene   | 50 °C  | 5 | 0.984929 | 0.959131 | TRUE   |
| ethene   | 60 °C  | 5 | 0.864498 | 0.244852 | TRUE   |
| methane  | 10 °C  | 5 | 0.898272 | 0.400409 | TRUE   |
| methane  | 20 °C  | 5 | 0.904646 | 0.436093 | TRUE   |
| methane  | 30 °C  | 5 | 0.922303 | 0.544903 | TRUE   |
| methane  | 40 °C  | 5 | 0.8108   | 0.098951 | TRUE   |
| methane  | 50 °C  | 5 | 0.572077 | 0.000257 | FALSE  |
| methane  | 60 °C  | 5 | 0.795051 | 0.073802 | TRUE   |

**Table S5.** Pairwise Wilcoxon rank-sum test results for ethene and methane concentrations across temperature treatments. The table includes the U statistic, raw *p*-values, Benjamini–Hochberg adjusted *p*-values (*p*.adj), and significance calls (*p*.adj < 0.05). These comparisons were conducted to evaluate temperature-dependent differences in product accumulation. Significant differences are indicated as TRUE.

| compound | group1 | group2 | U_statistic | p_value     | p_adj       | significant |
|----------|--------|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| ethene   | 10 °C  | 20 °C  | 0           | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 10 °C  | 30 °C  | 0           | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 10 °C  | 40 °C  | 20          | 0.150793651 | 0.161564626 | FALSE       |
| ethene   | 10 °C  | 50 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 10 °C  | 60 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 20 °C  | 30 °C  | 22          | 0.055555556 | 0.075757576 | FALSE       |
| ethene   | 20 °C  | 40 °C  | 24          | 0.015873016 | 0.026455026 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 20 °C  | 50 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 20 °C  | 60 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 30 °C  | 40 °C  | 23          | 0.031746032 | 0.047619048 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 30 °C  | 50 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 30 °C  | 60 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.014880952 | TRUE        |
| ethene   | 40 °C  | 50 °C  | 5           | 0.150793651 | 0.161564626 | FALSE       |
| ethene   | 40 °C  | 60 °C  | 5           | 0.150793651 | 0.161564626 | FALSE       |
| ethene   | 50 °C  | 60 °C  | 15          | 0.69047619  | 0.69047619  | FALSE       |
| methane  | 10 °C  | 20 °C  | 0           | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 10 °C  | 30 °C  | 0           | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 10 °C  | 40 °C  | 0           | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 10 °C  | 50 °C  | 21          | 0.095238095 | 0.119047619 | FALSE       |
| methane  | 10 °C  | 60 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 20 °C  | 30 °C  | 11          | 0.841269841 | 0.841269841 | FALSE       |
| methane  | 20 °C  | 40 °C  | 16          | 0.547619048 | 0.586734694 | FALSE       |
| methane  | 20 °C  | 50 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 20 °C  | 60 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 30 °C  | 40 °C  | 16          | 0.547619048 | 0.586734694 | FALSE       |
| methane  | 30 °C  | 50 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 30 °C  | 60 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 40 °C  | 50 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 40 °C  | 60 °C  | 25          | 0.007936508 | 0.011904762 | TRUE        |
| methane  | 50 °C  | 60 °C  | 23          | 0.031746032 | 0.043290043 | TRUE        |

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