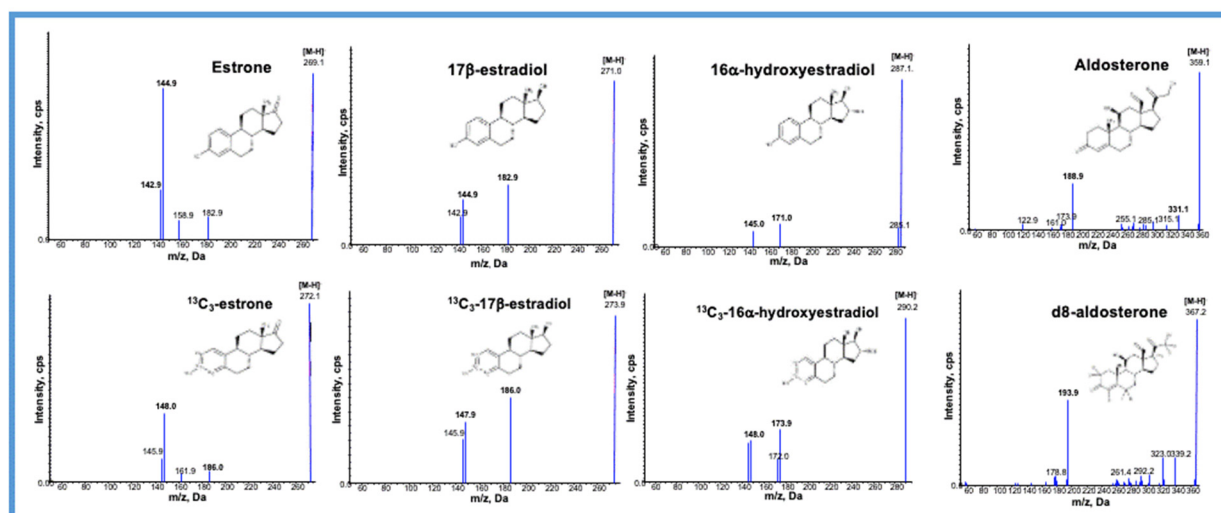
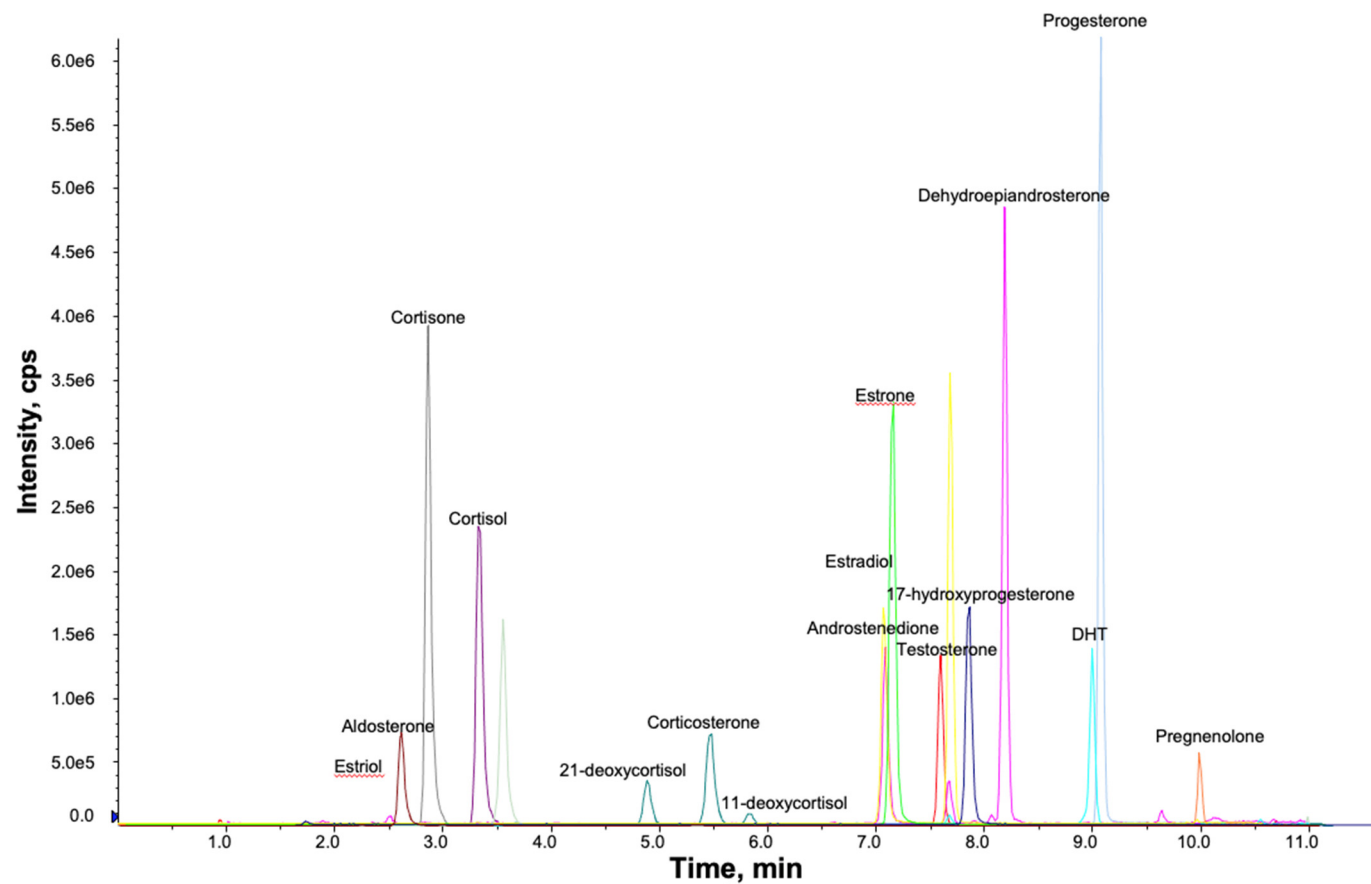


**Figure S1** Electrospray ionisation product ion mass spectra of protonated **androgens, progestogens and corticoids** prepared in 50% methanol at 10 ng/mL or less, through infusion at a flow rate of 2 mL/min into a QTrap 6500+ turbospray electrospray ionisation source in positive mode, with a collision energy offset of 46V. Precursor ion masses

are indicated on the right hand side of each mass spectrum and product ions selected for the method are indicated in bold.



**Figure S2** Electrospray ionisation product ion mass spectra of deprotonated estrogens and aldosterone prepared in 50% methanol at 1 mg/mL or less, through infusion at a flow rate of 2 mL/min into a QTrap 6500+ turbospray electrospray ionisation source in negative mode, with a collision energy offset of 46V. Precursor ions for estrone, estradiol, estriol and aldosterone were  $m/z$  269.1, 271.0, 290.1 and 359.1, respectively. Precursor ions for their isotopically labelled counterparts were  $m/z$  272.1, 273.9, 290.2 and 367.2, respectively.



**Figure S3.** Representative chromatogram of steroids measured by LC-MS/MS, with quantifier parent-product ion transitions. Certified reference steroids ranging between 0.1 ng - 10 ng, separated on a Kinetex C18 (2.1 x 150 mm; 2. 6um) column. Positive ions for all steroids except estrone, estradiol, 16a-hydroxyestradiol and aldosterone.

**Table S1.** Confidence intervals (95%) of steroid hormones in full cohort, by sex and by disease status. All data presented in nM; AD: Alzheimer's disease; CI: confidence interval; n: number; A4- Androstenedione; T- Testosterone; DHEA- Dehydroepiandrosterone; DHT- 5 $\alpha$ -dihydrotestosterone; P4- Progesterone; Preg- Pregnenolone; 17 $\alpha$ OH-Preg- 17 $\alpha$ -hydroxypregnenolone; 17 $\alpha$ OH-P4- 17 $\alpha$ -hydroxyprogesterone; 11-DOC- 11-deoxycorticosterone; A- 11-dehydrocorticosterone; S- 11-deoxycortisol; 21-DF- 21-deoxycortisol; B-corticosterone; E- cortisone; F- cortisol; . E1- Estrone; E2- Estradiol; E3- 16-hydroxyestradiol; Aldo- Aldosterone; nM: nanomolar.

Steroid	Sample timepoint	All		Male		Female		Healthy		AD biomarker positive	
		n	95% CI	n	95% CI	n	95% CI	n	95% CI	n	95% CI
A4	1 (~08:18am)	45	0.1203, 0.1777	28	0.1349, 0.2110	17	0.0769, 0.1355	26	0.1054, 0.1568	19	0.1216, 0.2243
	2 (~11:24am)	43	0.0962, 0.1327	28	0.1016, 0.1557	15	0.0712, 0.1015	30	0.0902, 0.1376	13	0.0855, 0.1513
	3 (~15:28pm)	35	0.0822, 0.1399	25	0.0836, 0.1572	10	0.0629, 0.1007	27	0.0756, 0.1224	8	0.0781, 0.2365
	4 (~21:43pm)	36	0.0828, 0.1441	21	0.0955, 0.1570	15	0.0456, 0.1604	25	0.0737, 0.1522	11	0.0756, 0.1745
	1 (~08:18am)	60	0.0590, 0.0899	48	0.0694, 0.1032	12	0.0156, 0.0317	36	0.0661, 0.1072	24	0.0368, 0.0782
T	2 (~11:24am)	61	0.0538, 0.0798	50	0.0634, 0.0919	11	0.0080, 0.0247	39	0.0538, 0.0862	22	0.0406, 0.0799
	3 (~15:28pm)	60	0.0457, 0.0699	48	0.0537, 0.0813	12	0.0063, 0.0272	36	0.0475, 0.0812	24	0.0320, 0.0660
	4	54	0.0481, 0.0738	46	0.0532, 0.0804	8	0.0069, 0.0293	34	0.0452, 0.0768	20	0.0309, 0.0809



Preg	2										
	(~11:24am)	24	0.0396, 0.1355	11	0.0348, 0.1783	13	0.0125, 0.1536	16	0.0168, 0.0936	8	0.0517, 0.2764
	3										
	(~15:28pm)	27	0.0570, 0.2088	12	0.0296, 0.2800	15	0.0235, 0.2359	17	0.0194, 0.0610	10	0.1206, 0.4604
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	24	0.0619, 0.2595	15	0.0599, 0.3149	9	0.0179, 0.2721	15	0.0506, 0.3030	9	0.0190, 0.2993
	1										
	(~08:18am)	28	0.1171, 0.2486	14	0.0998, 0.3036	14	0.0882, 0.2598	15	0.0521, 0.2214	13	0.1489, 0.3460
	2										
	(~11:24am)	28	0.1365, 0.3264	13	0.1158, 0.4934	15	0.1038, 0.2548	15	0.0824, 0.2617	13	0.1437, 0.4789
	3										
	(~15:28pm)	25	0.1321, 0.2454	11	0.0932, 0.2757	14	0.1199, 0.2472	13	0.0910, 0.2361	12	0.1346, 0.2845
17αOH-Preg	4										
	(~21:43pm)	28	0.1423, 0.2472	13	0.1579, 0.2924	15	0.0919, 0.2397	16	0.0941, 0.2216	12	0.1643, 0.3212
	1										
	(~08:18am)	4	0.0045, 0.2203	1	NA	3	0.0045, 0.2923	2	0.0557, 0.2923	2	NA
	2										
	(~11:24am)	7	0.1188, 0.4229	2	0.1053, 0.78073	5	0.1165, 0.4313	3	0.1053, 0.2256	4	0.0835, 0.6156
	3										
		4	0.0045, 0.0604	2	0.0045, 0.0790	2	0.0045, 0.0211	2	0.0045, 0.0790	2	0.0045, 0.0211

	(~15:28pm)										
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	4	0.0011, 0.1365	1	NA	3	0.0000, 0.1805	1	NA	3	0.0000, 0.1805
17αOH-P4	1										
	(~08:18am)	31	0.0537, 0.1164	18	0.0476, 0.1187	13	0.0368, 0.1435	19	0.0488, 0.1310	12	0.0287, 0.1194
	2										
	(~11:24am)	28	0.0528, 0.1189	18	0.0517, 0.1283	10	0.0266, 0.1346	17	0.0617, 0.1373	11	0.0219, 0.1064
	3										
	(~15:28pm)	20	0.0278, 0.0755	14	0.0325, 0.0870	6	0.0045, 0.0765	10	0.0263, 0.0985	10	0.0160, 0.0732
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	23	0.0363, 0.0952	15	0.0378, 0.1081	8	0.0043, 0.1100	18	0.0414, 0.1145	5	0.0042, 0.0469
11-DOC	1										
	(~08:18am)	10	0.0080, 0.0301	4	0.0053, 0.0416	6	0.0048, 0.0305	7	0.0082, 0.0370	3	0.0076, 0.0151
	2										
	(~11:24am)	8	0.0106, 0.0350	6	0.0095, 0.0335	2	0.0030, 0.0515	7	0.0091, 0.0370	1	NA
	3										
	(~15:28pm)	11	0.0107, 0.0341	5	0.0070, 0.0372	6	0.0055, 0.0376	9	0.0188, 0.0387	2	0.0030, 0.0076
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	10	0.0109, 0.0378	6	0.0108, 0.0436	4	0.0030, 0.0428	7	0.0158, 0.0471	3	0.0030, 0.0136

A	1										
	(~08:18am)	97	0.826, 1.214	50	0.6914, 1.0676	47	0.844, 1.549	59	0.7283, 1.2579	38	0.810, 1.385
	2										
	(~11:24am)	87	0.3223, 0.5402	43	0.3127, 0.7068	44	0.2861, 0.4225	53	0.2614, 0.3727	34	0.3514, 0.8211
S	3										
	(~15:28pm)	76	0.2413, 0.3582	41	0.2335, 0.3751	35	0.2155, 0.3897	47	0.2181, 0.3572	29	0.2364, 0.4030
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	62	0.1151, 0.2454	33	0.0980, 0.2698	29	0.0931, 0.2813	38	0.1074, 0.2601	24	0.0831, 0.2978
21-DF	1										
	(~08:18am)	58	0.611, 0.0937	28	0.0465, 0.0905	30	0.0642, 0.1070	36	0.0587, 0.0986	22	0.0533, 0.1007
	2										
	(~11:24am)	40	0.0196, 0.0537	23	0.0228, 0.0818	17	0.0199, 0.0202	20	0.0186, 0.0374	20	0.0146, 0.0780
	3										
	(~15:28pm)	17	0.0065, 0.0152	10	0.0058, 0.0167	7	0.0035, 0.0179	6	0.0087, 0.0178	11	0.0033, 0.0156
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	5	0.0029, 0.0234	3	0.0029, 0.0289	2	0.0029, 0.0274	4	0.0029, 0.0281	1	NA
	1										
	(~08:18am)	2	0.700, 0.0734	2	0.700, 0.0734	0	NA	2	0.700, 0.0734	0	NA
	2										
		4	0.0058, 0.0318	3	0.0029, 0.0348	1	NA	2	0.0144, 0.0348	2	0.0029, 0.0289





F	4 (~21:43pm)	112	4.144, 6.101	59	4.215, 7.600	53	3.422, 5.499	66	4.062, 6.356	46	3.454, 7.151
	1 (~08:18am)	114	4.851, 7.009	59	4.376, 7.605	55	4.649, 7.503	69	4.433, 7.008	45	4.436, 8.084
	2 (~11:24am)	110	2.243, 3.514	59	2.234, 4.356	51	1.903, 2.930	66	1.846, 2.870	44	2.375, 5.132
	3 (~15:28pm)	109	1.303, 2.094	57	1.341, 2.759	52	1.008, 1.534	65	1.129, 1.756	44	1.292, 2.896
	4 (~21:43pm)	104	0.809, 1.422	52	0.719, 1.559	52	0.687, 1.582	61	0.738, 1.444	43	0.698, 1.748
E1	1 (~08:18am)	25	0.0070, 0.0341	17	0.0045, 0.0126	8	0.0069, 0.0842	14	0.0099, 0.0532	11	0.0020, 0.0076
	2 (~11:24am)	22	0.0052, 0.0139	13	0.0045, 0.0118	9	0.0025, 0.0213	21	0.0054, 0.0149	1	NA
	3 (~15:28pm)	25	0.0046, 0.0144	16	0.0035, 0.0113	9	0.0015, 0.0247	17	0.0057, 0.0194	8	0.0016, 0.0050
	4 (~21:43pm)	19	0.0048, 0.0101	14	0.0034, 0.0148	5	0.0040, 0.0100	15	0.0057, 0.0118	4	0.0018, 0.0040
E2	1	12	0.0052, 0.0573	3	NA	9	0.0057, 0.0751	11	0.0054, 0.0621	1	NA

	(~08:18am)										
	2										
	(~11:24am)	9	0.0031, 0.0250	5	0.0029, 0.0295	4	0.0009, 0.0344	5	0.0015, 0.0282	4	0.0028, 0.0315
	3										
	(~15:28pm)	6	0.0037, 0.0315	4	0.0018, 0.0318	2	0.0037, 0.0445	3	0.0000, 0.0411	3	0.0037, 0.0445
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	6	0.0031, 0.0243	2	0.0055, 0.0437	4	0.0023, 0.0050	2	0.0028, 0.0337	4	0.0037, 0.0055
E3	1										
	(~08:18am)	12	0.0031, 0.0076	8	0.0044, 0.0093	4	0.0000, 0.0050	11	0.0039, 0.0081	1	NA
	2										
	(~11:24am)	11	0.0041, 0.0227	6	0.0042, 0.0162	5	0.0014, 0.0354	8	0.0030, 0.0277	3	0.0017, 0.0078
	3										
	(~15:28pm)	13	0.0020, 0.0054	8	0.0022, 0.0073	5	0.0007, 0.0035	10	0.0019, 0.0062	3	0.0000, 0.0045
	4										
	(~21:43pm)	9	0.0037, 0.1741	8	0.0031, 0.0073	1	NA	5	0.0047, 0.3095	4	0.0013, 0.0052
Aldo	1										
	(~08:18am)	16	0.0359, 0.0961	9	0.0236, 0.0673	7	0.0381, 0.1550	10	0.0279, 0.1167	6	0.0314, 0.0853
	2										
	(~11:24am)	20	0.0375, 0.0741	12	0.0226, 0.0603	8	0.0442, 0.1115	14	0.0350, 0.0793	6	0.0227, 0.0829

3										
(~15:28pm)	18	0.0298, 0.0794	10	0.0166, 0.0419	8	0.0373, 0.1363	15	0.0318, 0.0878	3	0.0000, 0.0895
4										
(~21:43pm)	14	0.0298, 0.0675	9	0.0252, 0.1068	5	0.0254, 0.0547	12	0.0302, 0.0712	2	0.0236, 0.0694

**Table S2.** Comparison of median values for steroids by sex and disease status. Data presented for all steroids where n>6. Comparisons analysed using Wilcoxon Signed Rank test in R. A4- Androstenedione; T- Testosterone; DHEA- Dehydroepiandrosterone; DHT- 5 $\alpha$ -dihydrotestosterone; P4- Progesterone; Preg- Pregnenolone; 17 $\alpha$ OH-Preg- 17 $\alpha$ -hydroxypregnenolone; 17 $\alpha$ OH-P4- 17 $\alpha$ -hydroxyprogesterone; 11-DOC- 11-deoxycorticosterone; A- 11-dehydrocorticosterone; S- 11-deoxycortisol; 21-DF- 21-deoxycortisol; B-corticosterone; E- cortisone; F- cortisol; . E1- Estrone; E2- Estradiol; E3- 16-hydroxyestradiol; Aldo- Aldosterone; W- Wilcoxon test statistic.

Steroid	Sample Time-point	Median		W	p	Median		W	p
		Male	Female			Healthy	AD		
A4	1	0.15	0.10	109.5	0.003	0.13	0.12	217	0.50
	2	0.11	0.09	151	0.13	0.10	0.11	180.5	0.71
	3	0.09	0.08	106	0.50	0.08	0.11	80	0.28
	4	0.10	0.05	83	0.02	0.08	0.10	112	0.39
T	1	0.08	0.02	117	0.002	0.07	0.04	551.5	0.07
	2	0.07	0.01	61.5	<0.001	0.06	0.07	472	0.52
	3	0.06	0.009	81	0.0001	0.06	0.04	512.5	0.23
	4	0.07	0.01	64	0.004	0.06	0.06	333.5	0.91
DHEA	1	0.39	0.60	400	0.90	0.68	0.16	502	0.009
	2	0.48	0.26	314	0.12	0.41	0.33	443	0.49
	3	0.56	0.23	422.5	0.43	0.41	0.46	432	0.91
	4	0.35	0.31	497.5	0.86	0.31	0.35	417	0.33
DHT	1	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			

	2	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
	3	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
	4	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
P4	1	0.03	0.03	87	0.86	0.03	0.03	65	0.80
	2	0.03	0.02	46	0.14	0.02	0.03	43.5	0.22
	3	0.03	0.03	88	0.94	0.02	0.18	51.5	0.10
	4	0.03	0.03	61	0.72	0.03	0.03	68.5	0.98
Preg	1	0.17	0.17	90.5	0.74	0.005	0.20	66.5	0.15
	2	0.22	0.18	84	0.55	0.16	0.22	83	0.52
	3	0.20	0.18	76.5	1	0.17	0.21	63	0.43
	4	0.19	0.18	72	0.25	0.17	0.25	58	0.08
17αOH-Preg	1	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
	2	0.44	0.15	4	0.86	0.15	0.21	5	0.86
	3	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
	4	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
17αOH-P4	1	0.06	0.05	120	0.92	0.06	0.04	134	0.43
	2	0.04	0.01	67	0.28	0.12	0.02	117.5	0.27
	3	0.03	0.008	23.5	0.14	0.02	0.02	61	0.43

	4	0.03	0.005	31.5	0.07	0.03	0.01	62	0.22
11-DOC	1	0.02	0.01	9	0.59	0.02	0.008	12	0.82
	2	0.02	0.03	7	0.86	0.02	0.02	4	1
	3	0.03	0.01	14	0.93	0.03	0.005	12.5	0.48
	4	0.03	0.008	10	0.74	0.03	0.003	17	0.16
A	1	0.74	0.71	1297	0.38	0.66	0.83	1059	0.65
	2	0.30	0.30	904.5	0.73	0.29	0.44	689	0.07
	3	0.22	0.19	660	0.55	0.22	0.21	607.5	0.43
	4	0.08	0.09	545.5	0.35	0.09	0.08	486.5	0.66
S	1	0.05	0.08	505	0.19	0.05	0.06	394.5	0.99
	2	0.03	0.01	125	0.06	0.02	0.02	230	0.42
	3	0.009	0.004	33	0.88	0.01	0.004	47.5	0.15
	4	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
21-DF	1	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
	2	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
	3	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
	4	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
B	1	0.08	0.04	63	0.28	0.05	0.16	55	0.11

	2	0.03	0.01	6	0.55	0.99	0.01	1	0.11
	3	0.02	0.01	3.5	0.38	0.02	0.03	8	0.88
	4	0.02	0.009	5	0.49	0.02	0.003	7	0.25
E	1	19.18	19.09	1809	0.38	18.41	20.44	1565	0.96
	2	11.18	10.96	1494	0.48	9.62	13.17	1288	0.13
	3	9.24	5.44	1212.5	0.03	8.83	7.61	1450	0.64
	4	3.65	3.33	1420	0.40	3.75	3.33	1603	0.62
F	1	4.55	4.19	1722	0.57	4.30	4.22	1503.5	0.78
	2	2.17	1.89	1433.5	0.67	1.79	2.41	1165.5	0.08
	3	1.30	1.02	1249	0.16	1.05	1.47	1204.5	0.16
	4	0.53	0.62	1388	0.82	0.60	0.54	1334.5	0.88
E1	1	0.004	0.01	85.5	0.32	0.01	0.004	112.5	0.05
	2	0.004	0.004	46.5	0.44	0.004	0.002	17.5	0.30
	3	0.004	0.004	72	1	0.004	0.003	88	0.25
	4	0.004	0.004	38.5	0.78	0.005	0.003	46.5	0.10
E2	1	0.004	0.004	19.5	0.24	0.004	0.004	7.5	0.61
	2	0.004	0.004	9	0.90	0.004	0.01	8.5	0.80
	3	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			



	4	Insufficient sample size				Insufficient sample size			
E3	1	0.006	0.002	5.5	0.09	0.00	0.005	10.5	0.19
	2	0.008	0.003	9.5	0.36	0.006	0.008	14	0.76
	3	0.004	0.003	11	0.19	0.003	0.003	16.5	0.86
	4	0.005	0.51	8	0.17	0.009	0.004	15.5	0.22
Aldo	1	0.03	0.05	43	0.24	0.03	0.04	24.5	0.59
	2	0.03	0.04	72.5	0.06	0.04	0.03	52.5	0.41
	3	0.03	0.06	63	0.045	0.05	0.02	29	0.48
	4	0.03	0.06	33	0.18	0.04	0.05	10	0.78