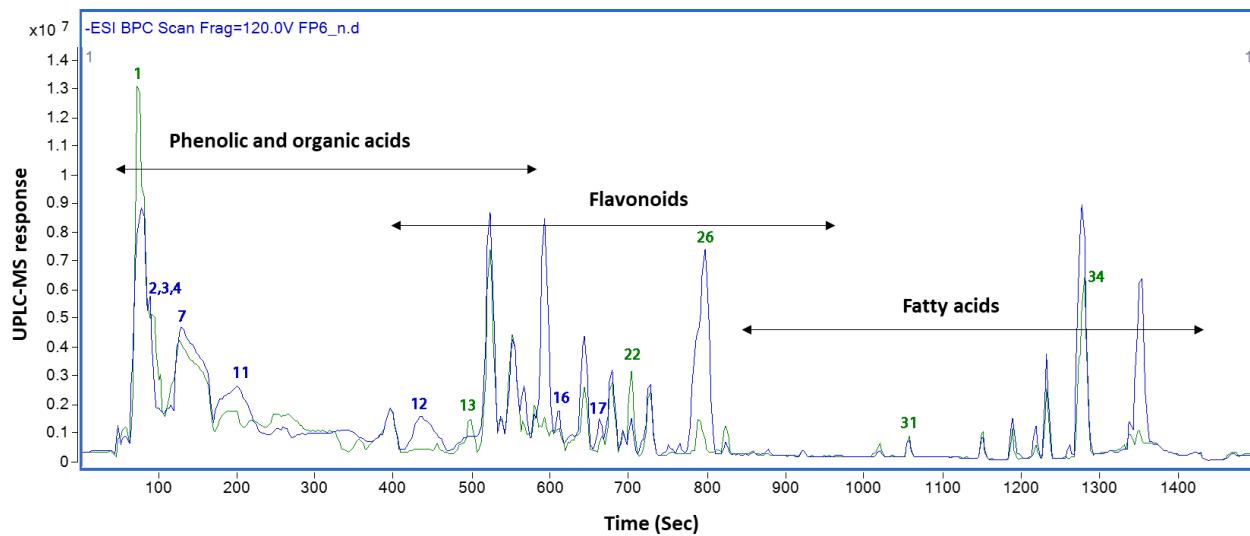
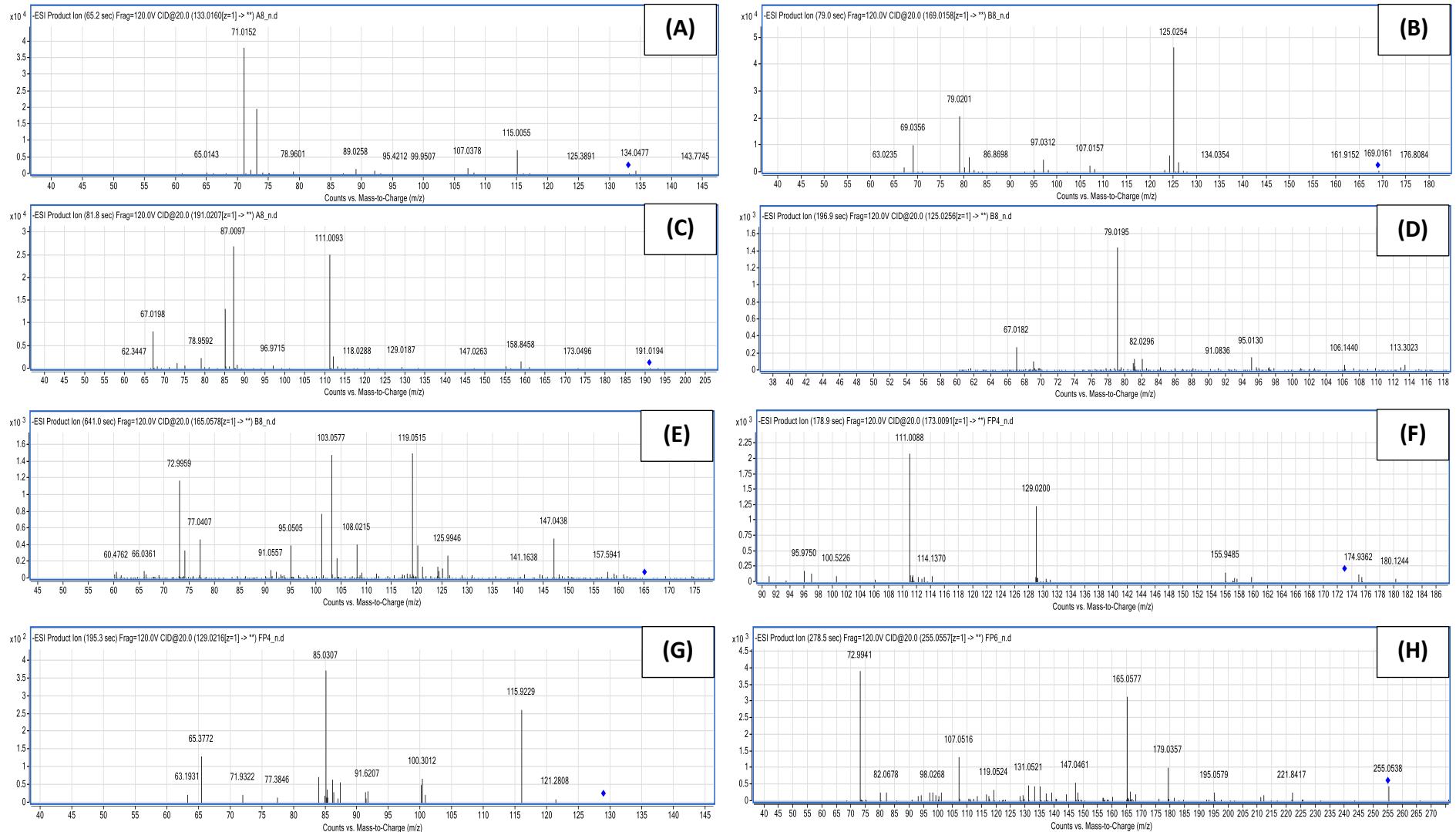


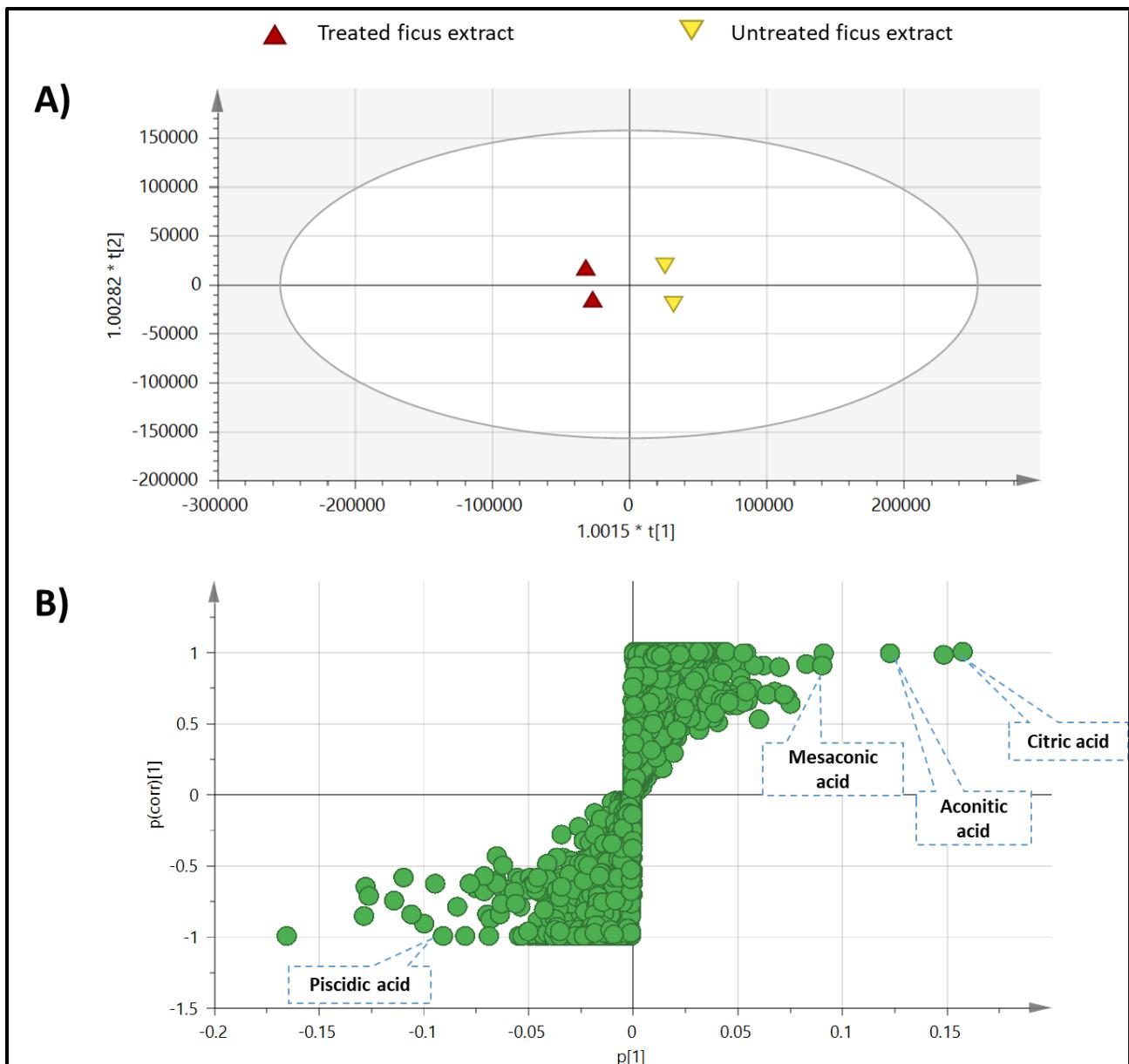
**Figure S1.** Representative UHPLC-QTOF-MS chromatogram for the negative ionization mode of *O. ficus* methanolic extract incubated with the selected microbial strains at a concentration of 5 mg/ml after 0.5 h (black) and 24 h (red), both chromatograms are characterized by three regions; (50-500 s for phenolic and organic acids, (400-900 s) for flavonoids, and (750-1450 s) for fatty acids



**Figure S2.** Representative UHPLC-QTOF-MS chromatogram for the negative ionization mode of untreated *O. ficus* methanolic extract (green) and treated *ex-vivo* (blue) with bacterial culture isolated from actual fecal matter at a concentration of 10 mg/ml, both chromatograms are characterized by three regions; (50-530 s for phenolic and organic acids, (400-1000 s) for flavonoids, and (710-1370 s) for fatty acids



**Figure S3.** Tandem mass spectral data of some of the major metabolites studied in in vitro and ex vivo assays namely; A) Malic acid, B) Gallic acid, C) (iso)Citric acid, D) Phloroglucinol, E) 3-(4-Hydroxyphenyl) propanoic acid, F) Aconitic acid, G) Mesaconic acid, H) Piscidic acid.



**Figure S4.** (A) OPLS model of *O. ficus* treated *ex-vivo* with gut microbiota culture isolated form fecal matter based on treatment; untreated samples (yellow) modeled against treated (red) B) S-plot of OPLS model, metabolites with positive  $p[1]$  values indicates higher abundance in untreated sample mainly; (iso)citric, aconitic and mesaconic acids, while negative  $p[1]$  indicates higher abundance within treated sample mainly; piscidic acid.

**Table S1.** Metabolites identified in *O. ficus* samples treated with gut microbiota at two time intervals; 0.5 and 24 h along with their relative abundance. Results are expressed as relative percentile (average  $\pm$  std deviation, n=3) of the total peak areas of identified metabolites.

Peak No.	[M-H] <sup>-</sup>	Name	Abundance % at 0.5 h	Abundance % at 24 h
1	133.0154	Malic acid*	9.38 $\pm$ 0.57	2.09 $\pm$ 1.06
2	169.0161	Gallic acid*	9.2 $\pm$ 2.85	14.2 $\pm$ 0.36
3	189.0057	(iso)Citrate*	50.79 $\pm$ 2.11	40.12 $\pm$ 1.96
4	207.0159	Hydroxycitric acid*	1.69 $\pm$ 0.11	1.32 $\pm$ 0.38
5	125.0256	Pyrogallol*	0	4.57 $\pm$ 0.73
6	117.0204	Succinic acid*	7.22 $\pm$ 1.32	12.43 $\pm$ 3.81
7	125.0257	Phloroglucinol*	0	2.01 $\pm$ 0.81
8	205.0368	Homocitric acid*	2.52 $\pm$ 0.18	0
9	153.0214	Protocatechuic acid	0.11 $\pm$ 0.04	0
10	199.0265	Fumarylacetoacetic acid (Maleylacetoacetic acid)*	0.8 $\pm$ 0.06	3.15 $\pm$ 0.33
11	117.0566	Hydroxyvaleric acid*	1.11 $\pm$ 0.77	1.95 $\pm$ 0.17
12	541.2307	Isorhamnetin glycoside*	2.06 $\pm$ 0.4	1.69 $\pm$ 0.17
13	219.0532	Dimethyl citrate	9.45 $\pm$ 0.42	8.45 $\pm$ 0.5
14	183.032	Methyl gallate	1.54 $\pm$ 0.03	1.01 $\pm$ 0.04
15	165.0585	3-(4-Hydroxyphenyl) propanoic acid*	0	3.57 $\pm$ 0.704
16	563.1102	Kaempferol*	0	0.13 $\pm$ 0.01
17	301.0387	Quercetin glycoside	0.45 $\pm$ 0.07	0.22 $\pm$ 0.03
18	349.0618	Ethyl gallate derivative	0.12 $\pm$ 0.01	0
19	285.043	Quercetin	0.26 $\pm$ 0.01	0.48 $\pm$ 0.07
20	271.0627	Naringenin	0.11 $\pm$ 0.01	0
21	287.2249	Dihydroxyhexadecanoic acid*	0.05 $\pm$ 0.01	0.11 $\pm$ 0.01
22	443.1753	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid derivative	0.12 $\pm$ 0.01	0.07 $\pm$ 0.01
23	329.2358	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid*	0	0.15 $\pm$ 0.01
24	663.2948	Dihydroxyhexadecanoic acid derivative*	0.69 $\pm$ 0.05	0
25	547.2805	Dihydroxyhexadecanoic acid derivative	0.29 $\pm$ 0.02	0.11 $\pm$ 0.01
26	269.0472	Apigenin	0.41 $\pm$ 0.04	0.88 $\pm$ 0.05
27	299.0597	Diosmetin*	0.08 $\pm$ 0.01	0
28	283.0643	Acacetin*	0.12 $\pm$ 0.01	0
29	277.1822	Panaxytriol	0	0.49 $\pm$ 0.07
30	483.3161	Palmitic acid derivative	0.05 $\pm$ 0.01	0
31	239.0701	Hydroxyflavanone*	0.05 $\pm$ 0.01	0
32	295.2301	Hydroxylinoleic acid	0.15 $\pm$ 0.03	0
33	243.1984	Hydroxytetradecanoic acid	0.077 $\pm$ 0.019	0
34	271.2278	Hydroxyhexadecanoic acid	0.14 $\pm$ 0.01	0.39 $\pm$ 0.06
35	471.3509	Hydroxybetulinic acid	0.06 $\pm$ 0.01	0

Peak No.	[M-H] <sup>-</sup>	Name	Abundance % at 0.5 h	Abundance % at 24 h
<b>36</b>	253.2196	Palmitoleic acid (Hexadecenoic acid)	0.02±0.01	0
<b>37</b>	279.2351	Linoleic acid*	0.25±0.02	0
<b>38</b>	255.2355	Palmitic acid (Hexadecanoic acid)	0.09±0.02	0.22±0.04
<b>39</b>	281.2521	Oleic acid*	0.34±0.01	0

\* Denotes metabolites that showed significant difference when analyzed using paired t test (p value < 0.05)

**Table S2.** Metabolites identified in *O. ficus* samples; untreated and treated with ex vivo culture of the human gut microbiome isolated from fecal matter along with their relative abundance

Peak No.	[M-H] <sup>-</sup>	Rt (sec)	Molecular Formula	Error (ppm)	MS/MS	Name	Class	Untreated <i>O. ficus</i> sample	<i>O. ficus</i> treated with culture of the human gut microbiome
1	195.0504	66	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	3.19	177.01, 133.03	Gluconic acid	Organic acids	++	+
2	353.0862	83	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>18</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	4.53	191.01	Caffeoylquinic acid	Phenolic acid	+	-
3	73.0311	97	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	-8.2	-	Propionic acid	SCFA	-	+
4	133.0137	98	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	4.08	115, 71.01	Malic acid	Organic acid	+	-
5	205.0356	101	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	-1.09	191.05, 127, 111.01	Homocitric acid	Organic acid	++	+
6	191.0193	110	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	3.26	171.03, 127, 111, 99, 83.01	(iso)citric acid	Organic acid	+	-
7	117.0211	126	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	-14.98	73.03	Succinic acid	Organic acid	-	+
8	173.0091	180	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	-16.89	129.02, 111.01, 85.03	Aconitic acid	Organic acid	++	+
9	129.0216	188	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	2.56	85.05	Mesaconic acid	Organic acid	+	-
10	147.0454	190	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	-1.67	129.01, 103.03, 85.01	Cinnamic acid	Phenolic acid	++	+

Peak No.	[M-H] <sup>-</sup>	Rt (sec)	Molecular Formula	Error (ppm)	MS/MS	Name	Class	Untreated <i>O. ficus</i> sample	<i>O. ficus</i> treated with culture of the human gut microbiome
11	255.0557	268	C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	-0.29	165.05, 119.05, 107.05	Piscidic acid	Phenolic acid	+	++
12	117.0557	412	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.15	99.02	Hydroxypentanoic acid (hydroxyvaleric acid)	SCFA	+	++
13	431.1043	508	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>20</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	-13.72	285.11	Kaempferol rhamnoside	Flavonoids	+	-
14	331.0681	527	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	-3.1	169.01	Galloylglucose	Phenolics	+	-
15	473.2102	602	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>34</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	-13.21	301.11, 179.07, 151  268.03,	Quercetin glycoside	Flavonoids	++	+
16	285.0376	616	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	10	243.03, 195.04, 169.06	Kaempferol	Flavonoids	-	+
17	165.0592	643	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	-14.97	147.03, 119.05, 91.01	3-(4-Hydroxyphenyl) propanoic acid	Phenolics	-	+
18	423.0918	652	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>20</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	3.5	331.09, 169.01	Galloylarbutin	Phenolics	+	-
19	609.1450	673	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>30</sub> O <sub>16</sub>	10.01	447.01, 315.15	Isorhamnetin-O-pentosyl-hexoside	Flavonoids	+	-
20	445.0502	674	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	14.14	301.14, 179.07, 151	Quercetin glycoside	Flavonoids	++	+
21	437.1138	695	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>22</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	11.1	331.01, 169.01	Galloylglucose derivative	Phenolics	+	-
22	443.1824	709	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>32</sub> O <sub>13</sub>	-12.12	329.23, 133.01, 71.01	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid derivative	Fatty acids	++	+

Peak No.	[M-H] <sup>-</sup>	Rt (sec)	Molecular Formula	Error (ppm)	MS/MS	Name	Class	Untreated <i>O. ficus</i> sample	<i>O. ficus</i> treated with culture of the human gut microbiome
23	541.2636	725	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>38</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	3.39	315.11	Isorhamnetin glycoside	Flavonoids	++	+
24	785.2930	746	C <sub>29</sub> H <sub>54</sub> O <sub>24</sub>	0.29	315.29	Isorhamnetin glycoside	Flavonoids	+	-
25	477.0217	787	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>14</sub>	12.09	331.01, 169.01	Galloylglucose derivative	Phenolics	+	-
26	329.2304	823	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>34</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	8.43	133.01, 71.01	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid	Fatty acids	+	++
27	533.2029	824	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>34</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	-0.83	329.23	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid derivative	Fatty acids	++	+
28	301.0327	863	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	8.86	179.07, 151	Quercetin	Flavonoids	-	+
29	235.1736	945	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>24</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	-13.95	217.17, 191.01	Farnesoic acid	Fatty acids	+	-
30	271.0641	1015	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	-10.67	253.15, 209.36, 177.37, 151.01, 119.04	Naringenin	Flavonoids	-	+
31	295.2328	1057	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>32</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	-16.65	277.21, 251, 183.13	Hydroxylinoleic acid	Fatty acids	++	+
32	281.2513	1156	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>34</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	-9.55	237.03, 171.1	Oleic acid	Fatty acids	+	-
33	279.2364	1223	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>32</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	-12.3	237.09, 187.01	Linoleic acid	Fatty acids	++	+
34	323.226	1272	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>32</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	-9.83	255.23	Palmitic acid derivative	Fatty acids	+	-

\* ++, +, -; reflects the metabolite relative abundance as depicted from the peak abundance data extracted from MS-DIAL, (++) increased abundance, (+) present, (-) absent

**Table S3.** Metabolites identified in *O. ficus* untreated and treated ex-vivo with actual fecal matter samples along with their relative abundance. Results are expressed as relative percentile (average  $\pm$  std deviation, n=3) of the total peak areas of identified metabolites.

Peak No.	[M-H] <sup>-</sup>	Name	Abundance % at untreated sample	Abundance % at treated sample
<b>1</b>	195.0504	Gluconic acid*	2.72 $\pm$ 0.12	1.26 $\pm$ 0.05
<b>2</b>	353.0862	Caffeoylquinic acid	0.65 $\pm$ 0.01	0.15 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>3</b>	73.0311	Propionic acid*	0	1.43 $\pm$ 0.02
<b>4</b>	133.0137	Malic acid*	7.75 $\pm$ 0.01	1.81 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>5</b>	205.0356	Homocitric acid*	2.95 $\pm$ 0.51	0.71 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>6</b>	191.0193	Citric acid*	32.52 $\pm$ 0.9	0.56 $\pm$ 0.03
<b>7</b>	117.0211	Succinic acid*	0.69 $\pm$ 0.3	37.96 $\pm$ 0.93
<b>8</b>	173.0121	Aconitic acid*	19.73 $\pm$ 0.08	0.31 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>9</b>	129.0190	Mesaconic acid*	6.92 $\pm$ 0.41	0.11 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>10</b>	147.0454	Cinnamic acid*	1.37 $\pm$ 0.01	0.41 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>11</b>	255.0511	Piscidic acid*	2.34 $\pm$ 0.03	29.76 $\pm$ 0.87
<b>12</b>	117.0557	Hydroxypentanoic acid*	0.24 $\pm$ 0.0	1.99 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>13</b>	431.1043	Kaempferol rhamnoside*	1.11 $\pm$ 0.06	0.03 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>14</b>	331.0681	Gallylglucose*	0.31 $\pm$ 0.01	0
<b>15</b>	473.2102	Quercetin glycoside*	1.82 $\pm$ 0.03	0.07 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>16</b>	285.0242	Kaempferol*	0	2.69 $\pm$ 0.07
<b>17</b>	165.0592	3-(4-Hydroxyphenyl) propanoic acid*	0	2.31 $\pm$ 0.02
<b>18</b>	423.0918	Gallylarbutin	0.61 $\pm$ 0.02	0.03 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>19</b>	609.1450	Isorhamnetin-O-pentosyl-hexoside	0.21 $\pm$ 0.01	0
<b>21</b>	437.1138	Gallylglucose derivative*	1.26 $\pm$ 0.05	0.15 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>21</b>	445.0502	Quercetin glycoside*	2.63 $\pm$ 0.01	0.18 $\pm$ 0.02
<b>22</b>	443.1824	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid derivative*	1.87 $\pm$ 0.05	0
<b>25</b>	477.0217	Gallylglucose derivative*	1.05 $\pm$ 0.05	0.22 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>26</b>	329.2304	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid*	0.58 $\pm$ 0.05	4.22 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>27</b>	541.2636	Isorhamnetin glycoside*	2.77 $\pm$ 0.12	0.26 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>27</b>	533.2029	Trihydroxyoctadecenoic acid derivative	0.38 $\pm$ 0.01	0.15 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>28</b>	785.2930	Isorhamnetin glycoside*	2.31 $\pm$ 0.09	0.45 $\pm$ 0.02
<b>29</b>	301.0327	Quercetin*	0.13 $\pm$ 0.01	3.16 $\pm$ 0.02
<b>29</b>	235.1736	Farnesoic acid	0.24 $\pm$ 0.03	0.03 $\pm$ 0.0
<b>31</b>	295.2328	Hydroxylinoleic acid*	2.01 $\pm$ 0.02	0.26 $\pm$ 0.01
<b>32</b>	271.0641	Naringenin*	0.11 $\pm$ 0.02	3.62 $\pm$ 0.02
<b>32</b>	281.2513	Oleic acid*	1.11 $\pm$ 0.07	0

<b>Peak No.</b>	<b>[M-H]<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Abundance % at untreated sample</b>	<b>Abundance % at treated sample</b>
<b>33</b>	279.2364	Linoleic acid	0.83±0.03	0.15±0.0
<b>34</b>	323.226	Palmitic acid derivative*	0.92±0.05	0

\* Denotes metabolites that showed significant difference when analyzed using paired t test (p value < 0.05)