



Figure S1. The seeds of fourteen selected tree species belonging to the Fabaceae family: *Acacia auriculiformis* (A), *Acacia concinna* (B), *Albizia lebbeck* (C), *Albizia odoratissima* (D), *Bauhinia racemosa* (E), *Cassia fistula* (F), *Dalbergia latifolia* (G), *Delonix regia* (H), *Entada phaseoloides* (I), *Hardwickia binata* (J), *Peltophorum pterocarpum* (K), *Senegalia catechu* (L), *Sesbania sesban* (M), *Vachellia nilotica* (N).

Table S1. Physical characteristics of the seeds of fourteen selected tree species belonging to the Fabaceae family.

| Species | Colour | Shape | Seed mass, mg |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------|
| <i>A. auriculiformis</i> | Brown | Oblong-ovate | 33 ± 2 |
| <i>A. concinna</i> | Brown | Ovate-globular | 224 ± 5 |
| <i>A. lebbeck</i> | Brown | Flat-elliptic | 74 ± 1 |
| <i>A. odoratissima</i> | Brown | Oblong-elliptic | 159 ± 3 |
| <i>B. racemosa</i> | Reddish-brown | Ovoid-compressed | 206 ± 5 |
| <i>C. fistula</i> | Light brown | Flattened ovate | 292 ± 6 |
| <i>D. latifolia</i> | Light brown | Reniform-flattened | 93 ± 3 |
| <i>D. regia</i> | Glossy brown | Oblong | 510 ± 5 |
| <i>E. phaseoloides</i> | Dark red-brown | Heart shaped | 23623 ± 30 |
| <i>H. binata</i> | Light brown | Oblong ovate | 295 ± 5 |
| <i>P. pterocarpum</i> | Light brown | Oblong | 94 ± 10 |
| <i>S. catechu</i> | Brown | Elliptic-ovate | 57 ± 3 |
| <i>S. sesben</i> | Brownish green | Narrow kidney shaped | 15 ± 1 |
| <i>V. nilotica</i> | Brown | Circular-ovate | 198 ± 4 |

Table S2. Sum of SFA, MUFA, PUFA and UFA (%) and fatty acids ratios in the seed oils of fourteen selected tree species belonging to the Fabaceae family.

| Species | Σ SFA | Σ MUFA | Σ PUFA | Σ UFA | Fatty acids ratio Σ UFA/ Σ SFA |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---|
| <i>A. auriculiformis</i> | 18.9 | 25.3 | 55.7 | 81.1 | 4.3 |
| <i>A. concinna</i> | 11.3 | 33.0 | 55.7 | 88.7 | 7.8 |
| <i>A. lebbeck</i> | 30.0 | 23.0 | 47.0 | 70.0 | 2.3 |
| <i>A. odoratissima</i> | 21.3 | 14.4 | 64.3 | 78.7 | 3.7 |
| <i>B. racemosa</i> | 11.1 | 34.8 | 54.1 | 89.0 | 8.0 |
| <i>C. fistula</i> | 10.4 | 34.7 | 54.9 | 89.6 | 8.6 |
| <i>D. latifolia</i> | 27.0 | 23.3 | 49.7 | 73.0 | 2.7 |
| <i>D. regia</i> | 27.5 | 14.9 | 57.6 | 72.5 | 2.6 |
| <i>E. phaseoloides</i> | 14.9 | 25.3 | 59.8 | 85.1 | 5.7 |
| <i>H. binata</i> | 36.1 | 21.7 | 42.3 | 63.9 | 1.8 |
| <i>P. pterocarpum</i> | 33.1 | 20.0 | 47.0 | 66.9 | 2.0 |
| <i>S. catechu</i> | 24.3 | 33.1 | 42.6 | 75.7 | 3.1 |
| <i>S. sesben</i> | 11.6 | 33.3 | 55.1 | 88.4 | 7.6 |
| <i>V. nilotica</i> | 20.2 | 26.4 | 53.4 | 79.8 | 4.0 |

Σ SFA, sum of saturated fatty acids; Σ MUFA, sum of monounsaturated fatty acids; Σ PUFA, sum of polyunsaturated fatty acids; Σ UFA, sum of unsaturated fatty acids.

Table S3. Content of squalene and total carotenoids, sterols, and tocopherol (mg/100 g dw seeds) in the seeds of fourteen selected tree species belonging to the Fabaceae family.

| Species | Squalene | Total | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | | Carotenoids | Sterols | Tocochromanols |
| <i>A. auriculiformis</i> | nd | 3.2 ± 0.2 | 45.2 ± 1.8 | 14.7 ± 0.6 |
| <i>A. concinna</i> | nd | 0.1 ± 0.0 | 44.5 ± 3.7 | 2.2 ± 0.2 |
| <i>A. lebbeck</i> | nd | 1.5 ± 0.1 | 33.1 ± 1.4 | 14.4 ± 0.9 |
| <i>A. odoratissima</i> | nd | 1.1 ± 0.1 | 31.7 ± 1.5 | 16.5 ± 0.1 |
| <i>B. racemosa</i> | 1.1 ± 0.1 | 0.3 ± 0.0 | 31.5 ± 1.5 | 5.8 ± 0.3 |
| <i>C. fistula</i> | 9.5 ± 0.3 | 0.3 ± 0.0 | 43.8 ± 1.8 | 7.8 ± 0.3 |
| <i>D. latifolia</i> | nd | 0.4 ± 0.0 | 42.7 ± 1.8 | 30.8 ± 1.4 |
| <i>D. regia</i> | nd | 0.4 ± 0.0 | 39.0 ± 1.6 | 11.3 ± 0.1 |
| <i>E. phaseoloides</i> | nd | tr | 14.7 ± 0.7 | 6.1 ± 0.2 |
| <i>H. binata</i> | nd | 0.7 ± 0.0 | 127.9 ± 5.9 | 43.3 ± 1.7 |
| <i>P. pterocarpum</i> | nd | 0.8 ± 0.0 | 53.6 ± 2.5 | 16.1 ± 0.4 |
| <i>S. catechu</i> | nd | 0.7 ± 0.0 | 74.9 ± 2.9 | 7.6 ± 0.2 |
| <i>S. sesban</i> | 2.0 ± 0.1 | 1.1 ± 0.1 | 47.1 ± 1.7 | 10.1 ± 0.3 |
| <i>V. nilotica</i> | 2.8 ± 0.2 | 0.2 ± 0.0 | 47.1 ± 1.6 | 8.1 ± 0.3 |

Nd, not detected, tr, trace amount.