

## Supporting Information

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MDL was determined by multiplying the standard deviation between the replicates ( $n = 7$ ) for each species by the t-value at 99% confidence and  $n-1$  degrees of freedom (US EPA method).

The instrument was checked for the nitrogen recovery with 1 mgN/L of spikes.

Table S1. MDLs and percent recovery of nitrogen containing compounds on high temperature combustion method

Compound	Molecular formula	MDL (mgN/L)	% Recovery
<b>Inorganic nitrogen</b>			
Potassium nitrate	KNO <sub>3</sub>	0.009	99.1 (1.1) <sup>a</sup>
Sodium nitrite	NaNO <sub>2</sub>	0.009	100.5 (1.4)
Ammonium chloride	NH <sub>4</sub> Cl	0.010	102.4 (1.1)
<b>Amino acids</b>			
Arginine	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	0.007	98.8 (1.8)
Glutamic acid	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>9</sub> NO <sub>4</sub>	0.013	97.6 (1.8)
Glycine	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	0.016	103.0 (2.3)
Proline	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>9</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	0.010	99.3 (1.9)
Tryptophan	C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	0.009	101.3 (2.6)
<b>Nucleic acids and proteins</b>			
RNA		0.018	102.7 (4.4)
Tri-peptide (Glu-Cys-Gly)	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>17</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S	0.014	98.6 (1.9)
Bovine serum albumin		0.019	N/A
<b>Other org-N compounds</b>			
Aniline	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>7</sub> N	0.014	100.7 (1.8)
Imidazole	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub> N <sub>2</sub>	0.011	99.6 (1.8)
Urea	CH <sub>4</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O	0.013	99.0 (2.4)

<sup>a</sup> one standard deviation