

1 Supporting Information for Aqueous geochemical and microbial variation
2 across discrete depth intervals in a peridotite aquifer assessed using a packer
3 system in the Samail Ophiolite, Oman

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30 S1. Supplementary 16S rRNA gene sequencing

31 Two 1 L autoclaved glass bottles were filled with drill foam/fluid that had surfaced after subsurface
 32 circulation during drilling of BA1A in 2017. The drilling foam and fluid was filtered through 0.22 μm
 33 polycarbonate filters at Colorado School of Mines. The drill foam/fluid samples totaled 1.5 L in volume
 34 and were split into two replicates, resulting in 0.75 L of foam/fluid filtered for each replicate. Nucleic acids
 35 concentrated onto the filters were extracted, amplified, and sequenced as described by Kraus et al. (2018).
 36 The drill foam/fluid samples (Figure S8) show very little taxonomic overlap with the fluids samples with
 37 packers (Main Text Figure 5).

38 In addition, a cell size fractionation experiment was performed for biomass filtering of BA1A in 2018.
 39 The sequential in-line filter housings described in the main text correspond to the three white cylinders near
 40 the bottom of Figure S2. Main Text Figure 5 shows the results of sequencing 0.22 μm pore-diameter filters
 41 only. Results of sequencing filters of all pore diameters are reported in (Figure S7).

42 S2. Tables

Table S1: Mixing extents based on Si, after Leong et al. (2020).

Sample ID	$\sum \text{Si} / [\mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}]$	Mixing extent / [% of $\text{Mg}^{2+} - \text{HCO}_3^-$ water]
BA1A_2018_55-66	1.97×10^2	65
BA1A_2018_100-400	4.49×10^1	15
BA1A_2019_0-30	3.33×10^2	110 ^a
BA1A_2019_41-65	1.56×10^2	51
BA1A_2019_108-132	2.13×10^1	7.0
BA1D_2019_45-75	8.51	2.8
BA1D_2019_102-132	5.88	1.9

^aBA1A_2019_0-30 has a calculated mixing extent > 100 % we performed these calculations using the same $\text{Mg}^{2+} - \text{HCO}_3^-$ end member as Leong et al. (2020), which had a $c_{\sum \text{Si}}$ of 303 $\mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{kg}^{-1}$. This sample should be considered representative of a typical $\text{Mg}^{2+} - \text{HCO}_3^-$ water.

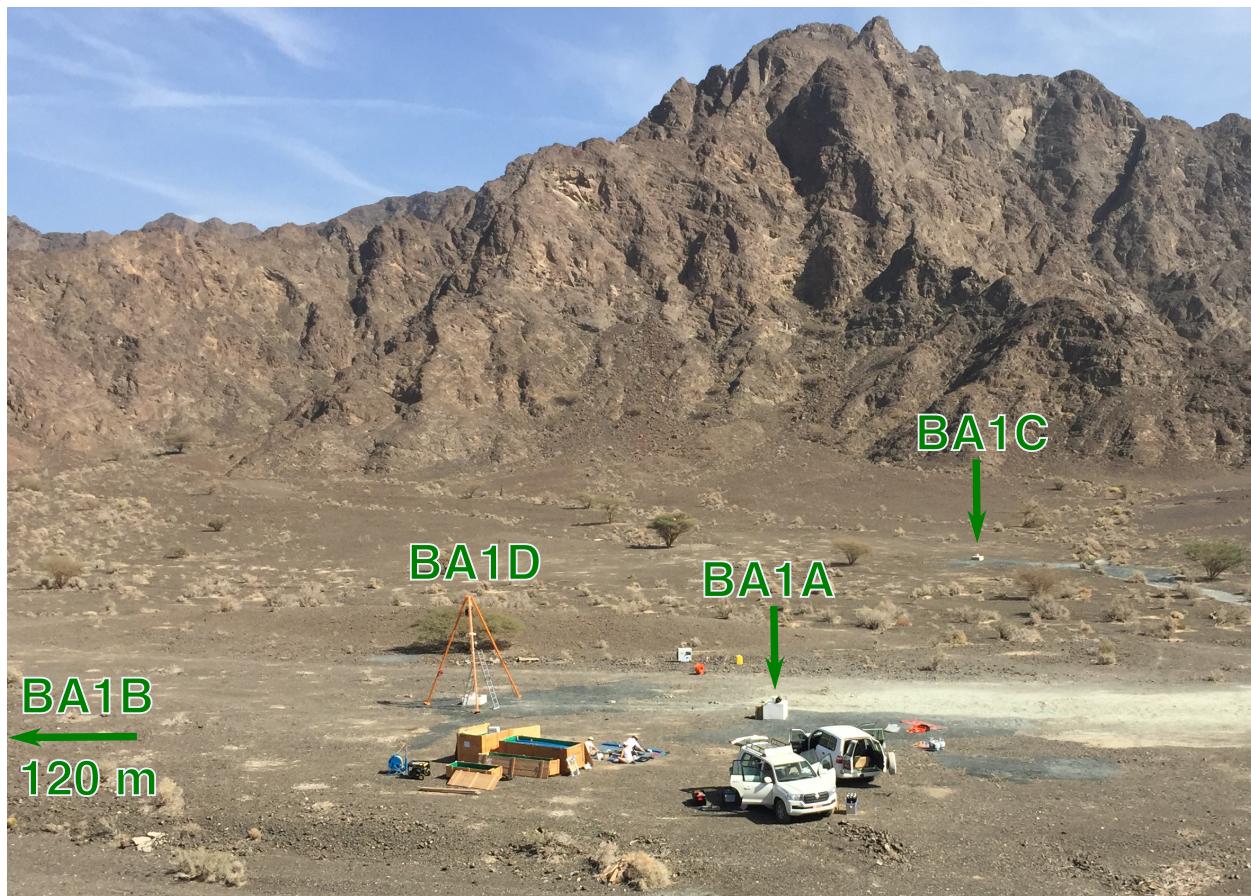
43 **S3. Figures**

Figure S1: Packer installation at BA1D, January, 2019. The orange tripod, installed at BA1D in the photo, was used to suspend the packer assembly down hole. The wellhead of BA1A can be seen 15 m to the right of BA1D in the photo. The third rotary well at the BA1 site, BA1C, which collapsed shortly after drilling, is pictured in the background. The cored borehole, BA1B, is 120 m to the northwest, to the left of the frame.

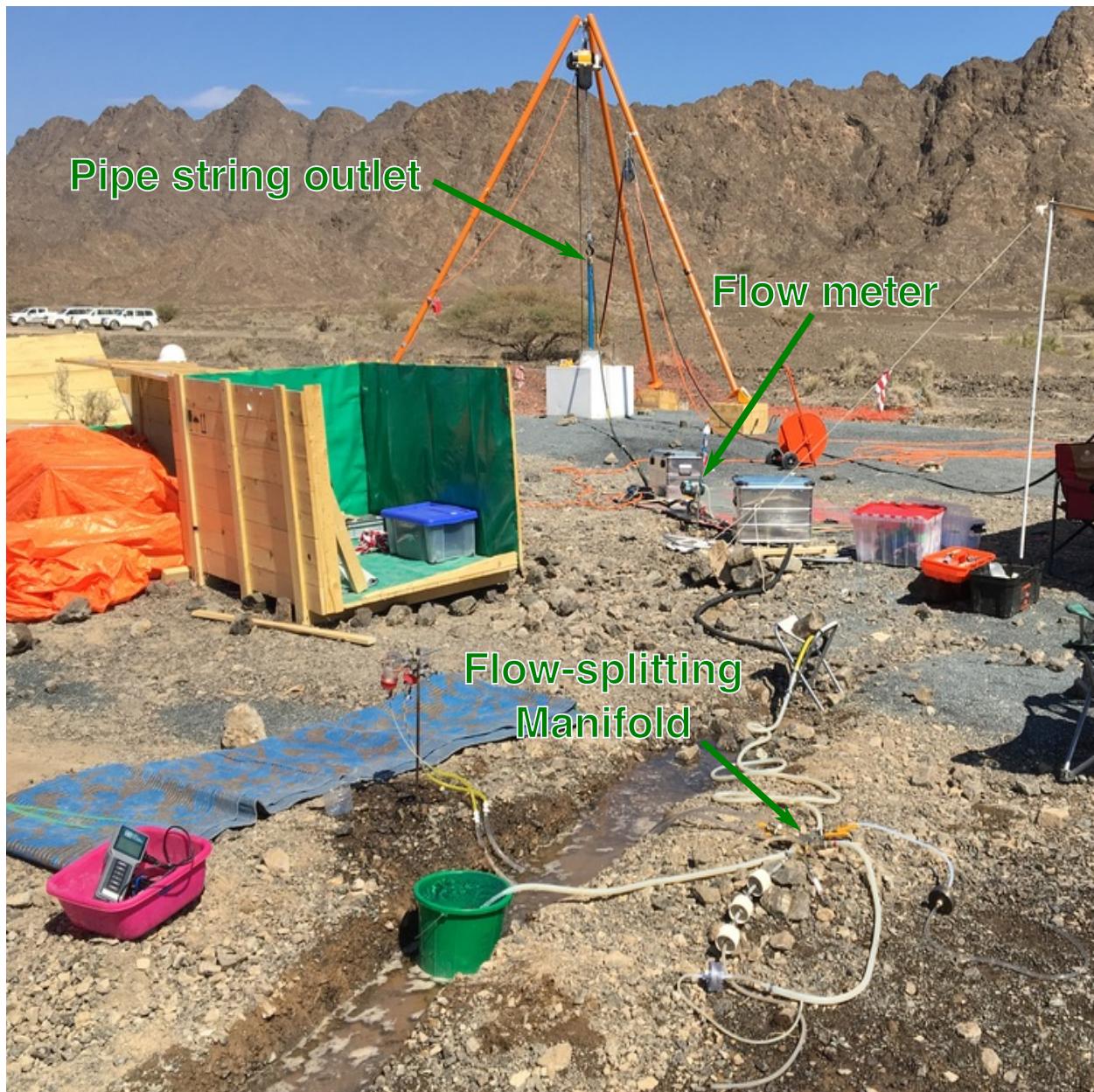


Figure S2: Fluid pumping and sampling at BA1A, February, 2019. Labeled arrows indicate the top of the pipe string, from which the pumped water flowed, the flow meter used for hydrologic pump tests, and the flow-splitting manifold used for fluid and biomass sampling.

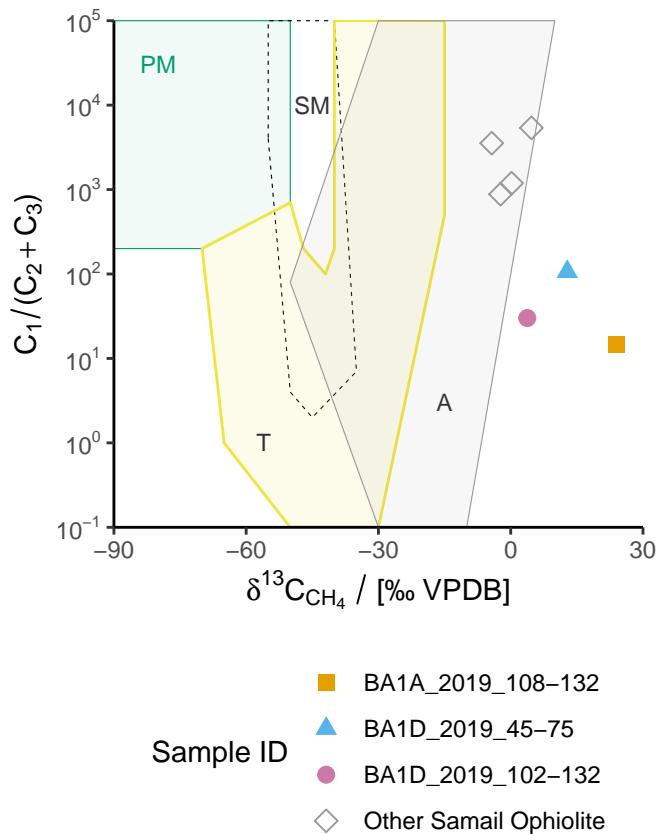


Figure S3: Plot of ratio of methane (C_1) to the sum of ethane (C_2) and propane (C_3) vs. $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{CH}_4}$. Only analyses for which C_2 was above limit of quantitation are plotted. If C_3 was below limit of quantitation, its contribution to $C_1/(C_2 + C_3)$ was assumed to be negligible, and therefore C_1/C_2 is plotted. Shaded fields of typical gas origin after [Milkov and Etiopic \(2018\)](#). Contextual data from Samail Ophiolite from [Nothaft et al., 2020](#); [Etiopic et al., 2015](#); [Vacquand et al., 2018](#). Abbreviations: PM, primary microbial; SM, secondary microbial; T, thermogenic; A, abiotic.

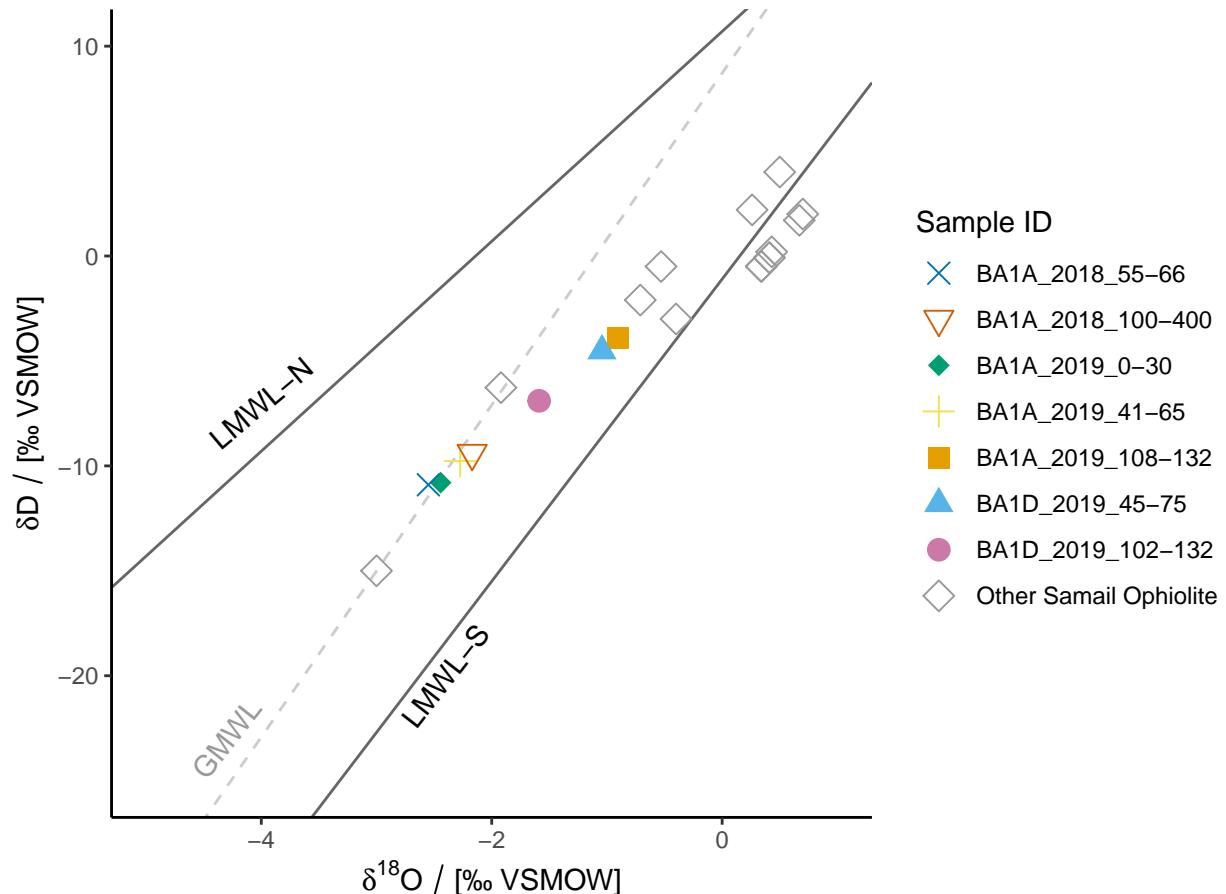


Figure S4: Plot of Oman groundwater stable isotopic compositions. Samples from 2012 were reported in [Paukert Vankeuren et al. \(2019\)](#). Samples from 2014 reported in [Miller et al. \(2016\)](#). Samples from 2018 (apart from BA1A) reported in [Nothaft et al. \(2020\)](#). Abbreviations: LMWL-N and LMWL-S, Oman local meteoric water lines derived from northern and southern sources, respectively ([Weyhenmeyer et al., 2002](#)); GMWL, global meteoric water line ([Terzer et al., 2013](#)).

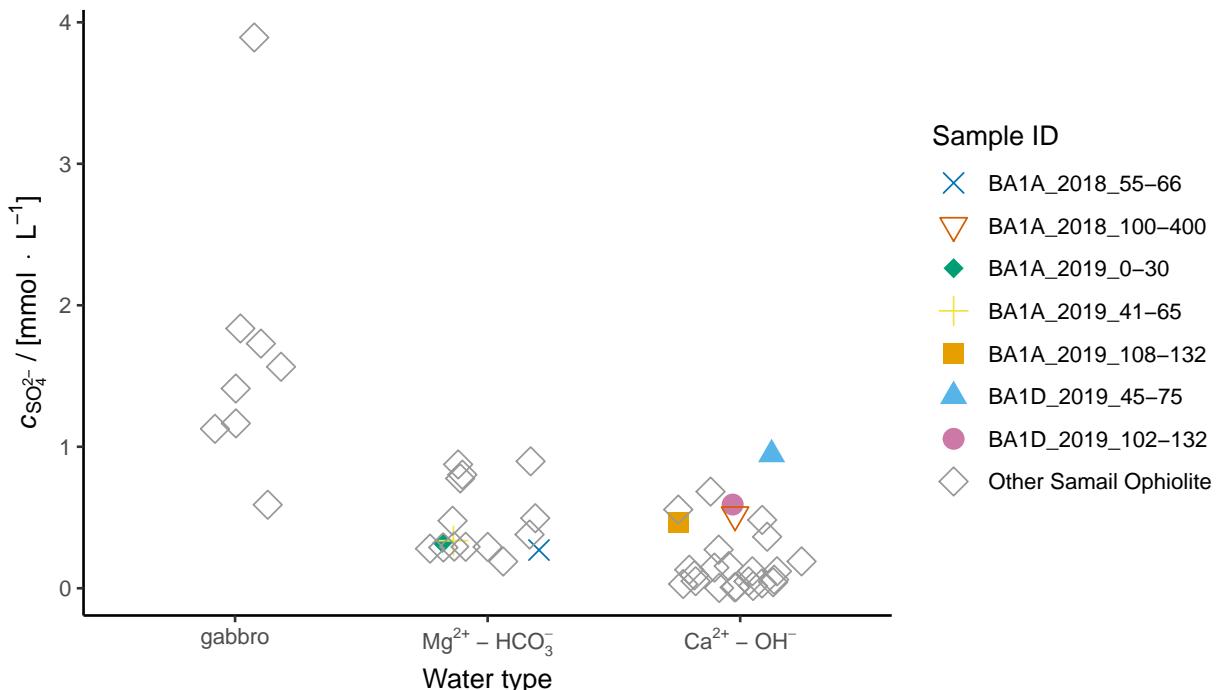


Figure S5: SO_4^{2-} concentrations in Samail Ophiolite wells. Data from Miller et al., 2016; Rempfert et al., 2017; Kraus et al., 2018; Nothaft et al., 2020.

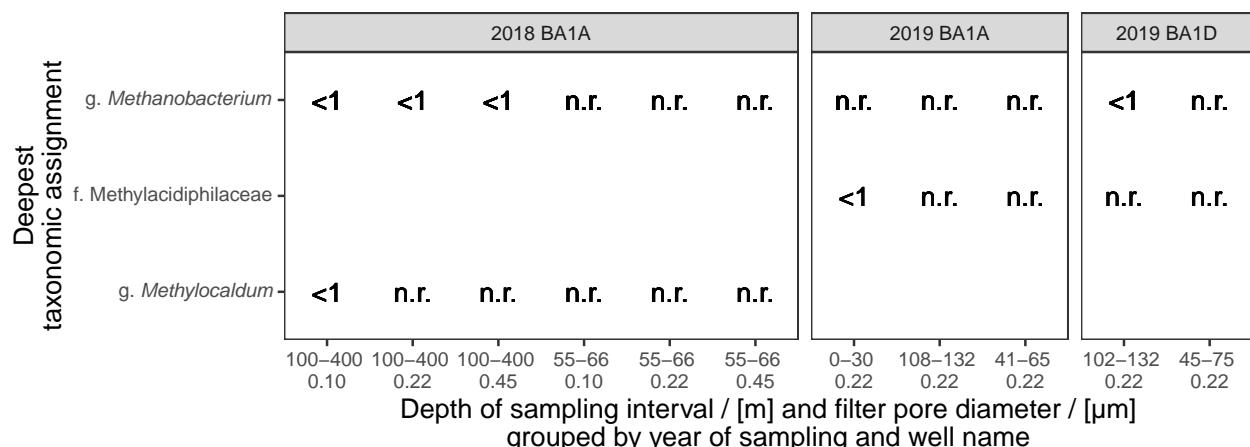


Figure S6: 16S rRNA gene read relative abundances of DNA extracted from filter-concentrated groundwaters from BA1A and BA1D affiliated with CH_4 -cycling taxa. Read relative abundances are reported as percentages rounded to the ones place. Cases when a taxon was detected in a sample and was < 1 % read relative abundance after rounding are labeled “< 1”. Cases when no reads of a taxon were detected in a sample, but when that taxon was detected in 16S gene reads of other Oman samples obtained during the same sampling year, are labeled “n.r.” Cases when no reads were detected in any Oman sample within the data set of a given year are blank.”

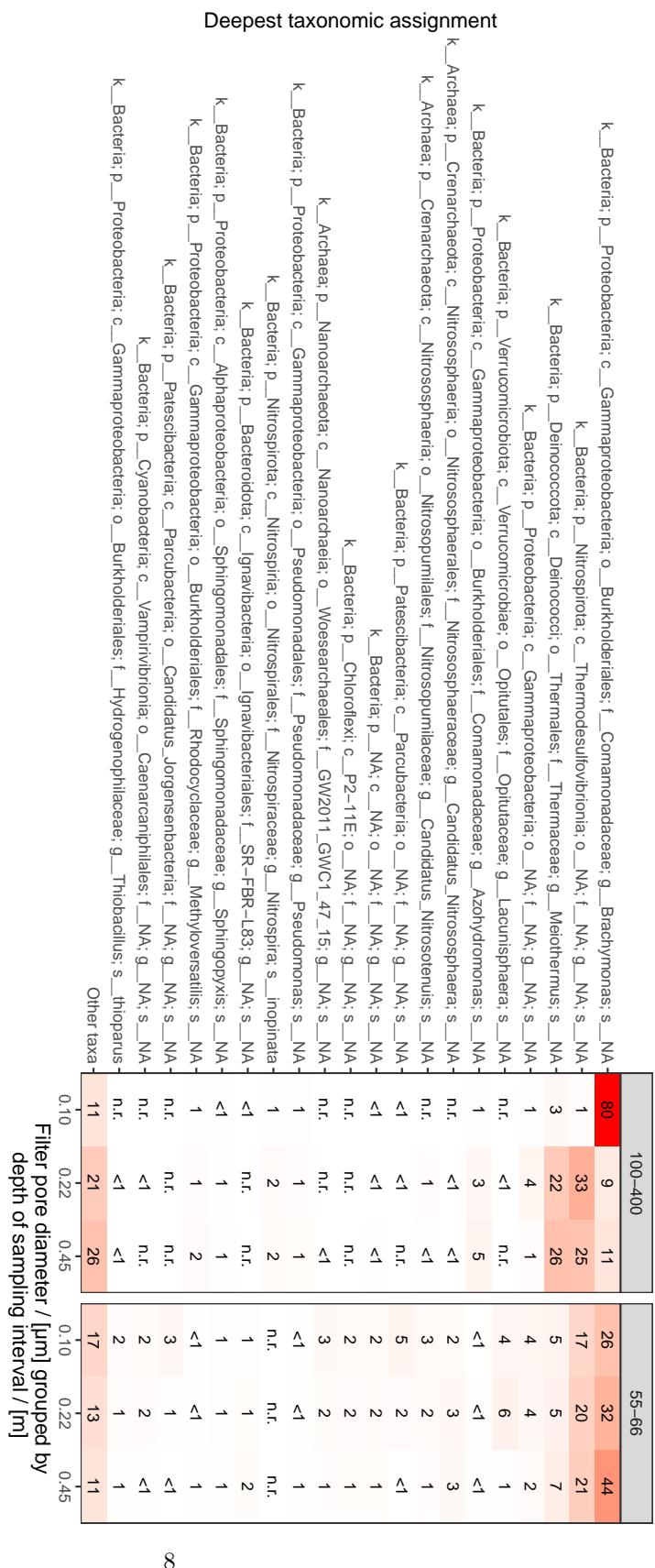


Figure S7: 16S rRNA gene read relative abundances of 20 most abundant taxonomic assignments in DNA extracted from groundwaters from which biomass was concentrated using inline filters of sequentially decreasing pore diameters from well BA1A in 2018. Read relative abundances are reported as percentages rounded to the ones place. Cases when a taxon was detected in a sample and was < 1 % read relative abundance after rounding are labeled “< 1”. Cases when no reads of a taxon were detected in a sample, but when that taxon was detected in 16S gene reads of other Oman samples obtained during the same sampling year, are labeled “n.r.” Cases when no reads were detected in any Oman sample within the data set of a given year are blank.”

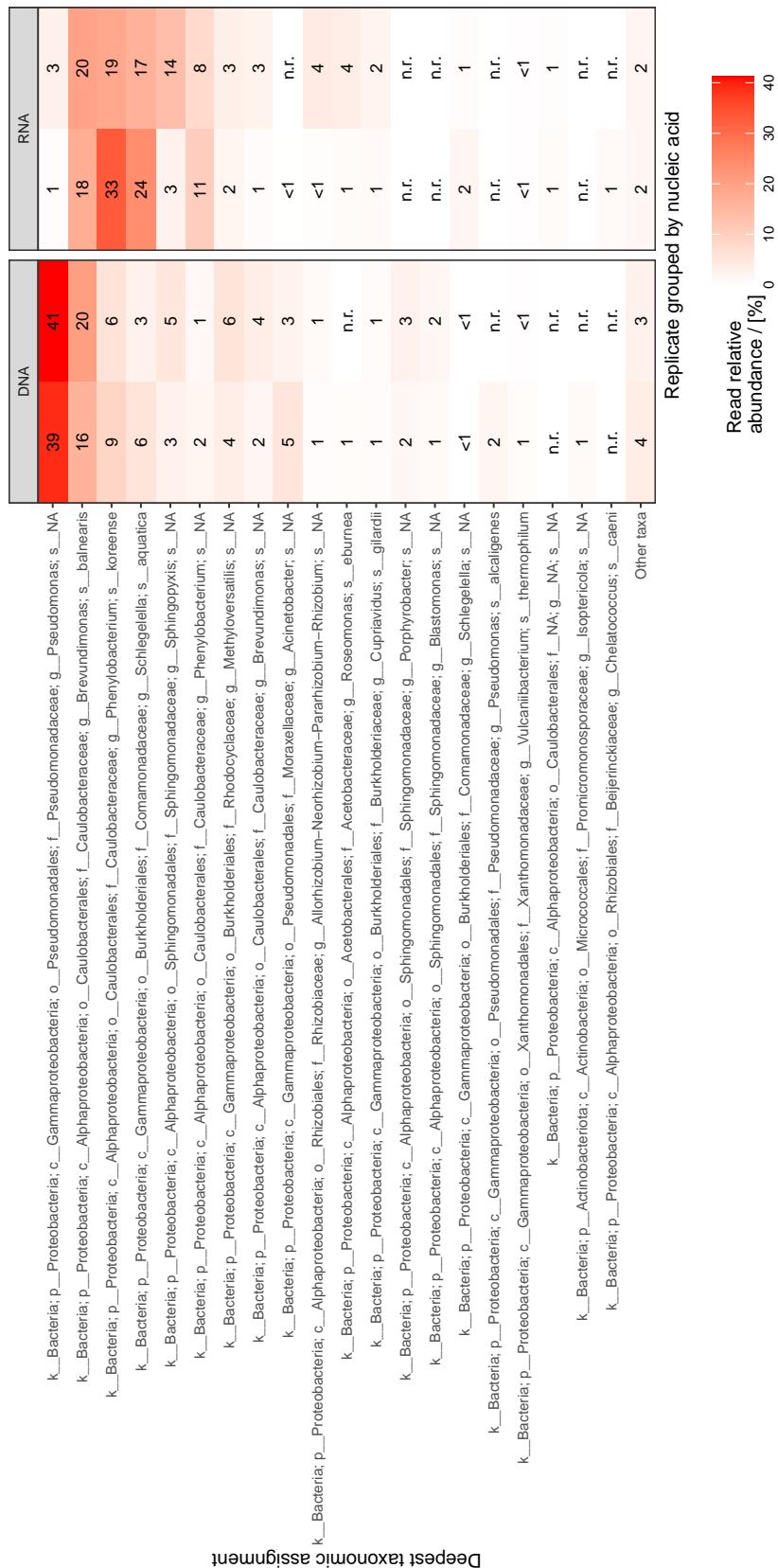


Figure S8: 16S rRNA gene read relative abundances in of 20 most abundant taxonomic assignments in DNA and cDNA (from RNA) (Kraus *et al.*, 2018) extracted from drill foam / fluid effluent from BA1A, acquired during drilling in 2017. Read relative abundances are reported as percentages rounded to the ones place. Cases when a taxon was detected in a sample and was < 1% read relative abundance after rounding are labeled “< 1”. Cases when no reads of a taxon were detected in a sample and was detected in 16S gene reads of other Oman samples obtained during the same sampling year, are labeled “n.r.” Cases when no reads were detected in any Oman sample within the data set of a given year are blank.

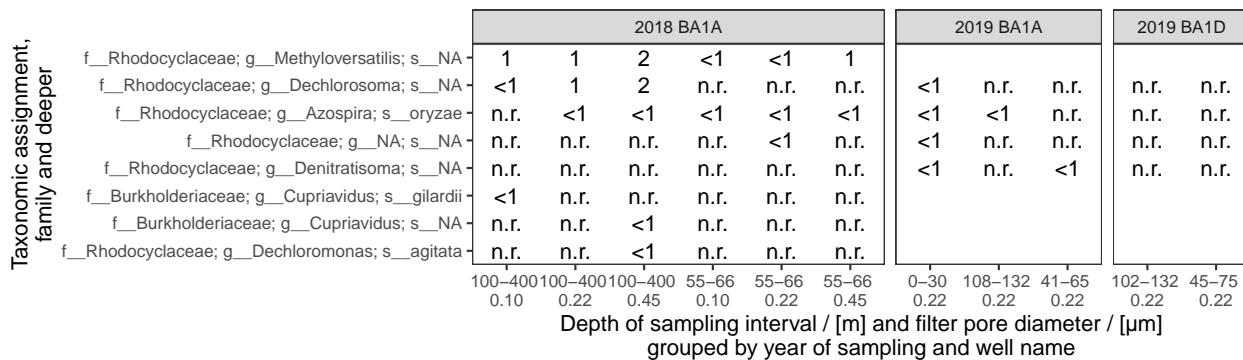


Figure S9: 16S rRNA gene read relative abundances of DNA extracted from filter-concentrated groundwaters from BA1A and BA1D affiliated with S-oxidizing taxa noted by Rempfert *et al.* (2017) (presented at family level and deeper). Read relative abundances are reported as percentages rounded to the ones place. Cases when a taxon was detected in a sample and was < 1% read relative abundance after rounding are labeled “< 1”. Cases when no reads of a taxon were detected in a sample, but when that taxon was detected in 16S gene reads of other Oman samples obtained during the same sampling year, are labeled “n.r.” Cases when no reads were detected in any Oman sample within the data set of a given year are blank.”

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