1 Supporting information

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4	survival of C. elegans dauer larva and enhances its resistance to
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1. Experimental procedures

Worm strains and cultivation

Wild-type strain used was *C. elegans* variant Bristol, strain N2. The following single
mutant strains were used in this study: DA2579 *sodh-1(ok2799) V*, CB1370 *daf-2(e1370) III*, CB1372 *daf-7(e1372) III*, TJ1052 *age-1(hx546) II*. All *C. elegans* strains
were obtained from the Caenorhabditis Genetics Center (CGC). *daf-2(e1370);aak-2(gt33)* double mutant was generated as described previously (Penkov et al., 2018).
During this study, the following strains have been generated:

daf-2;aak-2;mitoGFP: Males of *daf-2(e1370); zcIs14 [myo-3::GFP(mit)]*,
(dubbed *daf-2;mitoGFP*) were crossed to hermaphrodites of *daf-2(e1370);aak-2(gt33)*.
Males from the progeny were crossed to the mother strain *daf-2(e1370);aak-2(gt33)*.
Eggs from the resulting hermaphrodites were grown at 25°C and developed into dauers.
The dauers were left to recover at 15°C and eGFP-positive worms were selected and
singled. The progeny of these worms was selected based on the fluorescent signal. The
presence of *aak-2(gt33)* was tested by PCR.

sodh-1;mitoGFP: Males of *zcIs14 [myo-3::GFP(mit)]* (dubbed *mitoGFP*) were
crossed to hermaphrodites of *sodh-1(ok2799)*. Resulting hermaphrodites produced
eggs that were singled and selected for *sodh-1(ok2799)* via PCR and *mitoGFP* via
fluorescent signal.

Worms were routinely cultured on Nematode Growth Medium (NGM) plates
seeded with *E. Coli* NA22 strain(Brenner, 1974). Worms were placed on the plates
either as mixed stage populations or as embryos obtained by hypochlorite treatment.
Dauers were obtained by 1% SDS treatment of mixed stage populations from

overcrowded plates. Worms were collected from the feeding NGM-agar plates, washed 44 three times with ddH₂O, and resuspended in 10 ml of 1% SDS (w/v) in ddH₂O in 15 45 ml polypropylene centrifuge tubes (Corning, NY, USA). After 30 minutes of 46 incubation within the SDS solution at 25°C with shaking, the worms were washed 47 another three times with ddH₂O and placed on agarose plates where the alive worms 48 (dauers) were separated from the dead worms (non-dauers) based on their motility. The 49 50 temperature-sensitive Daf-c mutants were grown at 15 °C to grow in the reproductive mode and at 25 °C to arrest as dauer larvae. 51

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65 Dauer survival assay

All dauer survival assays were performed in liquid. The inherent dispersive behaviorof dauer larvae obstructed the scoring of survival rates on solid medium as also

described by other groups (Narbonne & Roy, 2006). Dauers were incubated in 10 ml 68 69 Complete-S medium cultures supplied with designated ethanol concentrations or without ethanol. No bacteria were added. Of note, the Complete-S medium contains 70 71 phosphates, sulfates, and a mix of trace metals (Stiernagle, 2006). Wherever mentioned, a mixture of the following amino acids and ammonium chloride was 72 provided: L-Alanine, L-Arginine, L-Aspartate, L-Cysteine, L-Glutamate, Glycine, L-73 74 Histidine, L-Isoleucine, L-Leucine, L-Lysine, L-Methionine, L-Phenylalanine, L-Proline, L-serine, L-Threonine, L-Tyrosine, L-Valine. All amino acids and the 75 76 ammonium chloride were in 0.25 µM final concentration, except L-cysteine, which 77 was 0.125 µM. Similarly, wherever mentioned, a mixture of the following vitamins was provided in final concentration: 4-Aminobenzoic acid (0.15 µg/ml), D-Biotin 78 (0.075 µg/ml), Folic acid (0.15 µg/ml), Niacinamide (0.15 µg/ml), D-Pantothenic acid 79 (0.15 µg/ml), Pyridoxal (0.075 µg/ml), Pyridoxine (0.15 µg/ml), Riboflavin (0.15 80 81 µg/ml), Thiamine (0.15 µg/ml), D/L-6,8-Thioctic acid (0.075 µg/ml). Cultures were maintained shaking at 25 °C. Every week, aliquots containing around 50 worms were 82 83 scored for survival. The medium was renewed every week, thus maintaining the 84 concentration of ethanol, amino acids, and vitamins relatively constant and eliminating waste products. Cultures were aerated approximately every 3.5 days. 85

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87 Desiccation tolerance assay

Dauer larvae were prepared and treated with ethanol as described above. Samples for desiccation were prepared as described before (Erkut et al., 2011). Shortly, dauer larvae were collected in ddH_2O and transferred onto 3.5 cm plastic Petri dishes. The dishes were placed in a chamber with controlled relative humidity (RH) at 98% RH and

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incubated for four days. The samples were then either kept at 98% RH or transferred
into another chamber at 60% RH for one additional day. Ultimately, the worms were
rehydrated with ddH₂O for at least 2 h, transferred to NGM agar plates seeded with *E*. *coli* NA22 and kept at 15 °C overnight to recover, after which survival was scored.

97 **2-Dimensional difference gel electrophoresis (2D-DIGE)**

98 Fifty micrograms of each protein sample (as determined using RC/DC kit) in urea lysis 99 buffer were labeled with 250 pmol CyDye DIGE Fluor dyes (GE Healthcare, 100 Germany). After labeling, excess dyes were quenched with 10 nmol L-lysine and the 101 samples were reduced in rehydration buffer (7 M urea, 2 M thiourea, 4% CHAPS (w/v), 102 and 50 mM DTT). The samples were pooled and supplemented with ampholytes 103 (BioLytes pH 3–10, BioRad, Germany) in a total volume of 350 µl. This labeled protein 104 mixture was loaded into an immobilized pH gradient strip (linear pH of 3-10) via passive rehydration for 24 h. Following rehydration, isoelectric focusing was 105 106 performed in a Protean IEF cell (BioRad, Germany) for 55-60 kVh in total. The strip 107 was then equilibrated in equilibration buffer (6 M urea, 2% SDS (w/v), 50 mM Tris, 108 20% glycerol (v/v), and 130 mM DTT) for 10 min before being placed on a 20 cm wide 109 12% SDS-polyacrylamide gel. Proteins in the strip, along with PageRuler Plus 110 prestained protein weight marker (Fermentas, USA), were separated by SDS-PAGE at 111 200 V for 5 h. Finally, the gel was scanned using a Typhoon 9500 Fluo and Phospho 112 Imager (GE Healthcare, Germany) at 100 µm/pixel resolution for Cy2 (488 nm 113 excitation, BP 520/40 emission filter), Cy3 (532 nm excitation, BP 580/30 emission 114 filter), and Cy5 (633 nm excitation, BP 670/30 emission filter) at empirically 115 determined photomultiplier tube voltages. After laser scanning, gels were stained with Coomassie blue and the spots of interest were cut out. The proteins in these gel slices
were extracted and characterized with geLC-MS/MS (Vasilj, Gentzel, Ueberham,
Gebhardt, & Shevchenko, 2012).

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120 MS Western quantification of the metabolic enzymes

121 All reagents were of the analytical grade. LC-MS grade solvents were purchased from 122 Fisher Scientific (Waltham, MA); formic acid (FA) from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany), Complete Ultra Protease Inhibitors from Roche (Mannheim, Germany); 123 124 Trypsin Gold, mass spectrometry grade, from Promega (Madison). Other common 125 chemicals and buffers were from Sigma-Aldrich (Munich, Germany). Protein quantification was performed using Pierce BCA protein assay kit from Thermo 126 Scientific (Rockford, USA). Ampoules of Pierce BSA standard and isotopically 127 labeled ¹³C₆¹⁵N₄-L-arginine and ¹³C₆-L-lysine were purchased from Thermo Scientific 128 129 (Rockford, USA) and Silantes (Munich, Germany) respectively. Worms were washed 130 twice with M9 buffer, counted, collected and snap-frozen in liquid nitrogen for later 131 analysis. The frozen worms were thawed on ice and crushed using a micro hand mixer 132 (Carl Roth, Germany). The crude extract was centrifuged for 15 min. at 13,000 rpm at 133 4°C to remove any tissue debris. The clear supernatant was transferred to a fresh 134 Protein Lo-Bind tube (Eppendorf, Hamburg, Germany). The total protein content of 135 the samples was estimated using BCA assay and 15 ug of total protein content was 136 loaded to a precast 4 to 20% gradient 1-mm thick polyacrylamide mini-gels from 137 Anamed Elektrophorese (Rodau, Germany). Separate gels were run for the BSA and 138 isotopically labeled chimeric protein standard. Undetectable proteins or proteins without detectable unique peptides (e.g., GPD-1, GPD-3, HXK-1, SODH-2 SUCL-1, 139

140 and SDHD-1) were not included. From the aldehyde dehydrogenase family, only the 141 peptides from ALH-1, ALH-9 and ALH-12 were included for absolute quantification 142 as the contribution of other family members to the total pool of ALHs was very small 143 (Fig. S3). The gels were processed according to the protocol described in (Kumar et 144 al., 2018). Peptide matching was carried out using Mascot v.2.2.04 software (Matrix 145 Science, London, UK) against Caenorhabditis elegans (November 2016) proteome 146 downloaded from Uniprot. A precursor mass tolerance of 5 ppm and fragment mass 147 tolerance of 0.03 Da was applied, fixed modification: carbamidomethyl (C); variable 148 modifications: acetyl (protein N terminus), oxidation (M); labels: 13C(6) (K) and 149 13C(6)15N(4) (R); cleavage specificity: trypsin, with up to 2 missed cleavages allowed. Peptides having the ions score above 15 were accepted (significance threshold 150 151 p < 0.05). The chromatographic alignment and feature detection were carried using 152 Progenesis LC-MS v.4.1 (Nonlinear Dynamics, UK). The absolute quantification was 153 performed using in-house software. The label-free quantification and subsequent 154 statistical analysis were performed using MaxQuant (v 1.6.0.16) (Cox & Mann, 2008) 155 and Perseus (v1.6.2.1) (Tyanova et al., 2016), respectively.

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157 ¹⁴C-Ethanol Labeling

Ethanol labeling was performed by directly incubating wild-type, *sodh-1(ok2977)*, and *age-1(hx546)* dauers with 10 μ Ci of [1-¹⁴C-EtOH] (Biotrend, Germany), in 10 ml complete S-medium. After the incubation was completed, worms were washed three times with ddH₂O and homogenized by five rounds of freezing in liquid nitrogen and thawing in an ultrasound water bath. Organic compounds were extracted from homogenized samples according to a standard method (Bligh & Dyer, 1957). Aqueous

164 fractions were dissolved in 50% CH₃OH, while organic fractions were dissolved in 165 CHCl₃:CH₃OH (1:2, v/v). Total radioactivity in each sample was measured using a 166 scintillation counter. Samples were normalized according to the number of worms, and 167 loaded on glass HPTLC plates (Merck, Darmstadt, Germany) covered with silicate. 2D-TLC of aqueous fractions for the visualization of hydrophilic metabolites was done 168 using 1-propanol-methanol-ammonia (32%)-water (28:8:7:7, v/v/v/v) as 1st system 169 and 1-butanol-acetone-glacial acetic acid-water (35:35:7:23, v/v/v/v) as the 2nd. 170 171 Lipids in organic fractions were analyzed by one-dimensional thin layer 172 chromatography (1D-TLC) with the solvent system chloroform-methanol-water 173 (45:18:3, v/v/v). TLC plates containing radioactive samples were sprayed with EN³HANCE spray surface autoradiography enhancer (Perkin Elmer, Waltham, MA, 174 USA) and exposed to X-ray film (Kodak Biomax MR, Sigma-Aldrich, Taufkirchen, 175 176 Germany).

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178 HPLC-MS analysis of *C. elegans* metabolites

179 About 20,000 dauer larvae were pelleted, washed three times, re-suspended in 500 µl 180 of LC-MS-grade H₂O (Merk, Darmstadt, Germany), and snap-frozen in liquid 181 nitrogen. The frozen pellet was freeze-sonicated 3-4 times until the lysate became 182 homogeneous. A volume of lysate corresponding to 50 µg total protein content was 183 diluted with LC-MS-grade H₂O to a total volume of 200 µl. 750 µl of chloroform-184 methanol (1:2, v/v) were added and the mixture was shaken for 20 min. 250 µl of 185 CHCl₃ were added followed by vigorous shaking. Finally, 250 µl of LC-MS-grade H₂O 186 were added followed by vigorous shaking and centrifugation at 16,000 RCF for 5 min. 187 for phase separation. The upper phase (aqueous phase) was collected and dried under

188 nitrogen flow. The extract was re-suspended in 120 µl of LC-MS-grade H₂O. For 189 HPLC-MS analysis, 20 µl of the suspension were mixed to 80 µl of 95% acetonitrile and 20 µl of this mixture were injected into a high performance liquid chromatography 190 191 (HPLC) system (1200 Agilent) coupled online to G2-S QTof (Waters). For 192 chromatographic separation a Bridge Amide 3.5ul (2.1x100mm) column (Waters) was 193 used. The mobile phase was composed of 95% acetonitrile, 0.5 mM CH₃COONH₄. 194 0,056 % NH₄OH (eluent A), and 40% acetonitrile, 0.5 mM CH₃COONH₄, 0,056 % 195 NH₄OH (eluent B). The following gradient program was used: Eluent B: from 0% to 196 100% for 15 min; 100% from 15min to 18min; 0% from 18 min to 25 min. The flow 197 rate was set at 0.5 ml/min. The spray voltage was set at 2.5 kV and the source temperature at 150°C. Nitrogen was used as both cone gas (50 L/h) and desolvation gas 198 (1000 L/h). The desolvation temperature was 500°C. Spectra was acquired in negative 199 200 ionization polarity. The peak areas of the different metabolites were extracted from the 201 chromatogram using MassLynx software (Waters).

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203 CARS microscopy

204 The imaging of lipid droplets was performed by coherent anti-Stokes Raman scattering 205 (CARS) microscopy (Camp Jr & Cicerone, 2015; Jungst, Winterhalder, & Zumbusch, 206 2011). CARS was detected using a multiphoton scanning microscope coupled with two 207 near-infrared picosecond fiber lasers. The optical microscope was an upright Axio 208 Examiner Z.1 equipped with a laser scanning module LSM 7 (all from Carl Zeiss 209 Microscopy GmbH, Jena, Germany) and multiple detectors in the non-descanned 210 configuration. The laser source used to excite the CARS signal (Femto Fiber pro TNIR 211 from Toptica Photonics AG) is tunable in the range 850 - 1100 nm and has a pulse

212 length of 0.8 ps. The wavelength was set to 1005 nm (emitted power at the source: 1.5 213 mW), to resonantly excite the symmetric stretching vibration of methylene groups at 214 2850 cm⁻¹. The CARS signal was collected in transmission mode and selected using a 215 BP filter (640 \pm 7) nm. A water immersion objective W Plan-Apochromat 20×/1.0 (Carl 216 Zeiss Microscopy GmbH) was used. Due to the transmission of optical elements, the 217 laser power in the sample was 52 mW. An automatic tiling procedure enabled by the 218 microscope software ZEN was used for the acquisition of images larger than the field 219 of view of the microscope objective. Multiple optical planes were acquired in z-stacks 220 covering all worm tissues containing lipid droplets. The total area of the lipid droplets 221 detected by CARS was calculated for all optical planes using Fiji (Schindelin et al., 222 2012).

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224 Imaging of mitochondria

225 For the visualization of mitoGFP by confocal microscopy, worms were mounted on 2% 226 agarose pads on glass slides (Thermo scientific, Superfrost Plus) and anesthetized with 227 500 mM levamisole in complete-S medium. The liquid was aspirated and the pads were 228 covered with coverslips (with 0.17 ± 0.005 mm cover slips (Menzel-Glaeser). The 229 mitoGFP was visualized with a Zeiss LSM 880 scanning confocal microscope equipped 230 with a Zeiss i LCI Plan-Neofluar 63x 1.3 Imm Korr DIC objective. eGFP was excited 231 at 488 nm, and fluorescence was detected at the emission band of 490-540 nm. 232 Depending on the depth of the tissue occupied by eGFP-marked mitochondria, single 233 or several adjacent optical planes were acquired. The mean circularity of mitochondria 234 was determined using shape descriptor analysis in Fiji (Schindelin et al., 2012) over all 235 objects in one image (for single planes) or a maximum z projection (for multiple

236 planes). The circularity of a particle was defined as $4\pi \times [Area] / [Perimeter]^2$, with a

value of 1.0 indicating a perfect circle. The nuclei, which are also marked with eGFP,

238 were manually annotated and removed from the analysis in advance.

This analysis was implemented as a macro for the current version of Fiji 2.0.0rc-69/1.52p. The code of the macro is available under the following link: <u>https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3918953</u>.

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243 Mathematical modeling

To model the metabolic pathway (see Fig. 5A) of dauer larvae, we used the standard way of describing chemical reactions as a system of ordinary differential equations for the concentrations of participating components (Murray, 1989). For most of the reactions, we applied standard equations of chemical kinetics with forward and backward rates:

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$$\frac{da}{dt} = -(k_1 + k_4)a + k_2l + j_{in} \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{dl}{dt} = k_1 a - k_2 l \tag{2}$$

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = k_3 k_2 l \tag{3}$$

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$$\frac{dm}{dt} = -k_{d1}\Theta(k_4a - j_{min})m - k_{d2}\Theta(c_h - c)m \tag{4}$$

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$$\Theta = \begin{cases} 1 & if \ x \ge 0 \\ 0 & if \ x \le 0 \end{cases}$$
(5)

Here *a* and *l* represented the concentrations of the acetate and lipid respectively, where k_1 and k_2 are the forward and backward reaction rates for acetate to lipid conversion (see below). Toxic compound concentration was denoted by *c* and it is produced from the lipolysis with the rate k_3 . The consumption of acetate was also unidirectional with the rate k_4 (see below). If there was exogenous ethanol, its presence was included via a constant influx j_{in} of acetate. The wellbeing of mitochondria was represented by a number denoted by m, which took values from 1 (completely functional mitochondria) to 0 (mitochondria completely damaged). Mitochondria could be damaged with a rate k_{d1} if the carbohydrate production, k_4a , fell below a threshold j_{min} , or with a rate k_{d2} when the toxic compound c accumulated above a certain threshold c_h . Θ in Eq.(4) denotes the Heaviside step function as defined in Eq.(5).

265 While most of the reaction rates for simplicity were taken as constants, there 266 were some rates that depended on chemical variables. One example was the dependence 267 of k_4 on m, where we assumed that energy production requires functioning 268 mitochondria and thus used a simple linear relation:

$$k_4 = k_4 m_1$$

where \tilde{k}_4 was a constant. Another rate that depended on concentrations was k_1 denoting the conversion rate from acetate to lipids. It reflected the fact that there was a certain maximum amount of lipid l_s that could be possibly stored in a single worm and thus:

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$$k_1 = \tilde{k}_1 \frac{l_s - l}{l_1 + (l_s - l)}$$

Here l_1 was a constant determining at which lipid concentrations the conversion started to slow down and \tilde{k}_1 was also a constant. Finally, we chose k_2 rate to be of the Michaelis-Menten type:

$$k_2 = \tilde{k}_2 \frac{1}{l_2 + l}$$

279 where \tilde{k}_2 and l_2 were constants.

280 Overall the above system of equations contains six independent parameters and 281 requires the knowledge of the initial conditions for all four participating components. 282 While measuring most of the involved rates and concentrations is potentially possible, 283 it certainly goes beyond the scope of this manuscript. Instead, we chose the following strategy: We assumed that the model could predict a certain lifespan of wild-type or 284 285 *daf-2* dauer (for simplicity, we do not mathematically distinguish between wild-type 286 and *daf-2* because they have similar lifespans). We wanted to check, if there existed a region in the parameter space of the model, where, by having all parameters fixed and 287 288 only changing those that would correspond to a certain mutation or a presence or 289 absence of ethanol, we could reproduce the changes in the lifespan with respect to the 290 wild-type/daf-2 as was seen in the experiments.

291 Parameters used:

$\tilde{k}_{1(daf2)}/\tilde{k}_4$	9.0	l_{1}/l_{2}	0.1
$\tilde{k}_{1(age1)}/\tilde{k}_4$	3.0	j_{min}/l_2k_4	0.05
$ ilde{k}_{2(daf2)}l_2/ ilde{k}_4$	0.6	c_h/l_2	0.1
$\tilde{k}_{2(aak2)}l_2/\tilde{k}_4$	6.0	$a(t = 0)/l_2$	0.2
$ ilde{k}_3/ ilde{k}_4$	0.01	$l(t = 0)/l_2$	6.0
l_s/l_2	8.0	$j_{in}/l_2 \tilde{k}_4$	0/0.09

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To model the pathway in *daf-2;aak-2* and *age-1* mutants, we modified the rates of the reactions regulated by AAK-2 and AGE-1 as illustrated on Fig. 5A. In the case of *daf-2;aak-2*, the only part in the model that is modified by the *aak-2* mutation is an increased \tilde{k}_2 . Correspondingly, we chose \tilde{k}_2 to be ten times larger than for a wildtype/*daf-2* dauer. Regarding *age-1* mutants, we exploited the possibility that they may have a reduced acetate to lipid transformation rate, which reduces both lipid accumulation and toxic production. We tested this assumption by choosing k_1 of age-1 mutant to be one-third of that in the wild-type/*daf-2* dauer. To solve the system of differential equations, we used standard numerical integration tools in MATLAB.

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344 Legends to supplementary figures

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Figure S1. Translational activation during exit from dauer state and induction of alcohol-metabolizing enzymes by ethanol.

- 348 2D-DIGE of proteins derived from wild-type dauers treated or untreated with food on
 349 solid medium. Worms exit from dauer state and this process is accompanied by a global
- 350 translational activation as evidenced by the increase in multiple proteins (in green) in
- 351 food-treated worms. Representative images of two experiments.
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- 353 Figure S2. Treatment with ethanol leads to the accumulation of trehalose and a

354 higher turnover of amino acids and nucleotides.

- 355 HPLC-MS analysis of the levels of various metabolites in untreated and ethanol-treated
- 356 wild-type dauers over time. Two biological replicates per time point are displayed.
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358 Figure S3. ALH-1 is the major aldehyde dehydrogenase that is upregulated upon

359 ethanol treatment.

360 Relative proteomic quantification of the normalized abundances of all detectable ALH

361 members in untreated and ethanol-treated dauer larvae. The peptide abundances were

- 362 summed and normalized according to the abundance of the spiked-in BSA standard.
- 363 Error bars, \pm SD of two biological and two technical replicates.
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367 Figure S4. Dauers of *daf-2* survive moderately longer than wild-type dauers with

368 or without ethanol.

The plot combines the mean survival rates of wild-type, *daf-2*, *daf-2*; *aak-2*, and *age-1* dauers treated or untreated with 1 mM ethanol that are displayed in **Fig. 3D** and **F**.

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372 Figure S5. Exogenous ethanol rescues the desiccation tolerance of *daf-2;aak-2*.

- 373 Mean survival of *daf-2* and *daf-2;aak-2* dauers untreated or incubated with 1 or 85 mM
- ethanol followed by desiccation at various relative humidities (RH). Error bars \pm SD of
- two biological with two technical replicates. For daf-2 at 98%RH, n = 291 (day 0), 678
- 376 (day 3, no ethanol), 694 (day 3, 1 mM ethanol), 882 (day 3, 85 mM ethanol). For *daf*-
- 2(e1370) at 60% RH, n = 388 (day 0), n = 833 (day 3, no ethanol), n = 804 (day 3, 1)
- 378 mM ethanol), n = 686 (day 3, 85 mM ethanol). For *daf-2;aak-2* at 98%RH, n = 504
- 379 (day 0), n = 533 (day 3, no ethanol), n = 260 (day 3, 1 mM ethanol), n = 1343 (day 3,

380 85 mM ethanol). For *daf-2;aak-2* at 60%RH, n = 388 (day 0), n = 282 (day 3, no

ethanol),
$$n = 331$$
 (day 3, 1mM ethanol), $n = 859$ (day 3, 85mM ethanol)

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Figure S6. The addition of exogenous amino acids and vitamins does not enhance the survival rate of dauers treated with ethanol.

385 Survival rates of wild-type dauers treated with ethanol, amino acids, and vitamins.

- 386 Means \pm SD of two-three biological replicates.
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Figure S7. Mathematical modeling of survival rates in *daf-2;aak-2* and *age-1* mutants. Co-plotted are several other trends: "Acetate" is the combined entity representing the free acetic acid and the acetyl-CoA produced in the pathway. "Lipid"

391	represents the bulk complex lipids, mainly IAGs, derived from the fatty acid
392	component. "Toxic" comprises the putative fatty acid-derived toxic compound(s).
393	"Mito" is defined by the degree of activity of the mitochondria and serves as a proxy to
394	the survival rate.
395	A. Model-predicted survival rates of <i>daf-2;aak-2</i> dauers without ethanol.

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B. Model-predicted survival rates of *daf-2;aak-2* dauers treated with ethanol.

397 C. Model-predicted survival rates of *age-1* dauers without ethanol.

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D. Model-predicted survival rates of *age-1* dauers treated with ethanol.

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Figure S8. *age-1* mutant dauer larvae have diminished incorporation of ¹⁴Cethanol into lipids. Scintillation counting of radioactivity in the lipid-containing organic fraction and aqueous fraction (containing hydrophilic metabolites such as amino acids, sugars, nucleotides, etc.) of extracts from ¹⁴C-ethanol labeled wild-type and *age-1* dauer larvae. Data obtained from two experiments, a total of 4 biological replicates, two technical replicates each. Error bars, +SD. ** p<0.01; ns - no significant difference determined by Student's *t*-test.

Supplementary Figures





















Figure S8

