SAMPLE PREPARATION PROTOCOL

500 μ L of samples for metabolite extraction and analysis were obtained from the compartment of the collection device for FOB measurements as indicated in **Figure 1** and were homogenized using a Precellys 24 homogenizer (Bertin Technologies, France) at 6500 rpm for 23 seconds. Then, 200 μ L of homogenized feces extracts were collected and transferred to 1.5 mL microtubes. Afterwards, 780 μ L of chloroform:methanol (CHCl₃:MeOH; 2:1) were added. The CHCl₃:MeOH used for extraction was spiked with metabolites not detected in unspiked feces extracts as internal standards (IS) [SM (d18:1/16:0), PE (17:0/17:0), PC (19:0/19:0), TAG (13:0/13:0/13:0), Cer (d18:1/17:0), and ChoE (12:0)]. After a brief vortex mixing, samples were incubated 1 hour at -20 °C. After centrifugation at 18,000 *xg* for 5 minutes, 600 μ L of the organic phase were collected, dried under vacuum, and reconstituted in 100 μ L acetonitrile:isopropanol (ACN:IPA; 1:1), centrifuged (18,000 *x g* for 10 minutes), and transferred to vials for UHPLC-MS analysis.

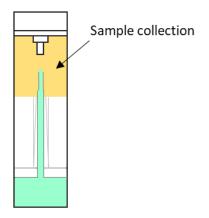


Figure 1. Representation of collection tube and sample collection point.