

1 **Supporting Information**

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3 **Analytical strategy for identification and quantification of thirteen steroids in sole**
 4 (*Solea senegalensis*) tissues, eggs and larvae for application in aquaculture studies
 5 on reproduction

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8 **Table S1.** Signal suppression/enhancement (SSE) for each steroid in the matrices studied
 9 (see 2. EXPERIMENTAL, 2.5. Matrix effect evaluation)

Compounds	Plasma	Ovaries	Muscle	Eggs	Larvae
	SSE (%)				
Progesterone (P)	-91	-88	-95	-90	-93
11-deoxycortisol (S)	-78	-65	-85	-95	-90
Cortisol (F)	-	-57	-82	-	-
17 α ,20 β dihydroxy- pregnenone (17 α ,20 β -P)	-69	-69	-83	-96	-98
17 α ,20 β , 21 trihydroxy- Pregnenone (20 β -S)	-68	-65	-85	-96	-96
4-androstenedione (A4)	-76	-71	-90	-98	-96
Testosterone (T)	-79	-83	-90	-97	-97
5 Androstanolone (Dihydrotestosterone, DHT)	-88	-82	-92	-	-96
11-hydroxy androstenedione (11 β OHA4)	-84	-54	-83	-97	-98
11-keto- androstenedione (11-KA)	-68	-37	-77	-97	-99
11-ketotestosterone (11-KT)	-74	-47	-82	-97	-98
Estrone (E1) ^b	-72	-76	-99	-95	-96
17 β Estradiol (E2) ^b	-73	-87	-91	-98	-98

10 *SSE: Signal Suppression Enhancement. According to the criteria established, positive values indicate
 11 signal enhancement while negative values correspond to signal. - suppression.not calculated

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13 **Table S2.** Limits of detection (LOD) of target compounds ions used for quantification
 14 and identification in studied matrices

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Compounds	Precursor Ion m/z	Product Ion m/z	Plasma ng/mL	Ovaries ng/g	Muscle ng/g	Eggs ng/g	Larvae ng/g
Progesterone (P)	315.1	97.0 ^b 109.0 123.0	0.03 0.14 0.39	0.05 0.09 0.34	0.03 0.03 0.18	- 0.12 0.26	0.05 0.05 0.87
11-deoxycortisol (S)	347.0	97.0 ^b 109.1 317.0	0.01 0.01 0.01	0.14 0.08 0.07	0.02 0.04 0.04	0.04 0.14 0.15	0.01 0.06 0.13
Cortisol (F)	363.0	121.0 ^b 309.1 267.0	- -	- -	- -	0.01 0.03 0.07	0.01 0.04 0.07
17 α ,20 β dihydroxy-Pregnenone (17 α ,20 β -P)	333.2	97.2 ^b 109.2 253.2	0.01 0.04 0.03	0.13 0.17 0.38	0.04 0.07 0.08	0.20 0.11 0.04	0.06 0.20 0.13
17 α ,20 β ,21 - trihydroxy Pregnenone (20 β -S)	349.2	109.2 ^b 97.0 271.2	0.03 0.02 0.10	0.11 0.18 0.09	0.03 0.10 0.03	0.13 0.03 0.05	0.03 0.06 0.13
4-androstenedione (A4)	287.1	97.0 ^b 109.0 123.0	0.02 0.02 -	0.02 0.04 0.07	0.02 0.02 -	0.07 0.05 0.18	0.04 0.10 0.84
Testosterone (T)	289.1	97.0 ^b 109.0 123.0	0.01 0.02 -	0.08 0.02 0.16	0.01 0.01 -	0.05 0.02 0.03	0.08 0.26 0.25
5 Androstanolone (Dihydrotestosterone, DHT)	291.2	255.2 ^b 159.2 145.2	0.19 0.42 1.36	0.21 0.74 5.13	0.29 0.84 -	- -	0.60 0.27 0.25
11-hydroxy androstanedione (11 β OHA4)	303.2	267.2 ^b 121.2 145.2	0.03 0.04 0.09	0.10 0.08 0.10	0.03 0.02 0.08	0.16 0.54 0.27	0.10 0.18 0.32
11-keto-androstanedione (11KA)	301.2	257.2 ^b 242.2 121.2	0.03 0.03 0.03	0.03 0.03 0.06	0.02 0.01 0.04	0.01 0.04 0.03	0.06 0.09 0.09
11-ketotestosterone (11KT)	303.2	259.1 ^b 121.2 241.2	0.03 0.03 0.06	0.02 0.06 0.23	0.02 0.04 0.08	0.02 0.02 0.01	0.04 0.12 0.47
Estrone (E1) ^a	269.2	145.2 ^b 159.2 183.2	0.02 0.02 0.07	0.01 0.01 0.12	0.01 0.01 0.18	0.05 0.06 0.14	0.02 0.15 0.74
17 β Estradiol (E2) ^a	271.2	145.2 ^b 183.2 239.2	0.02 0.02 0.02	0.01 0.06 0.01	0.03 0.05 0.01	0.17 0.10 0.03	0.15 0.84 0.13

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17 ^a negative mode, ^b quantification ion

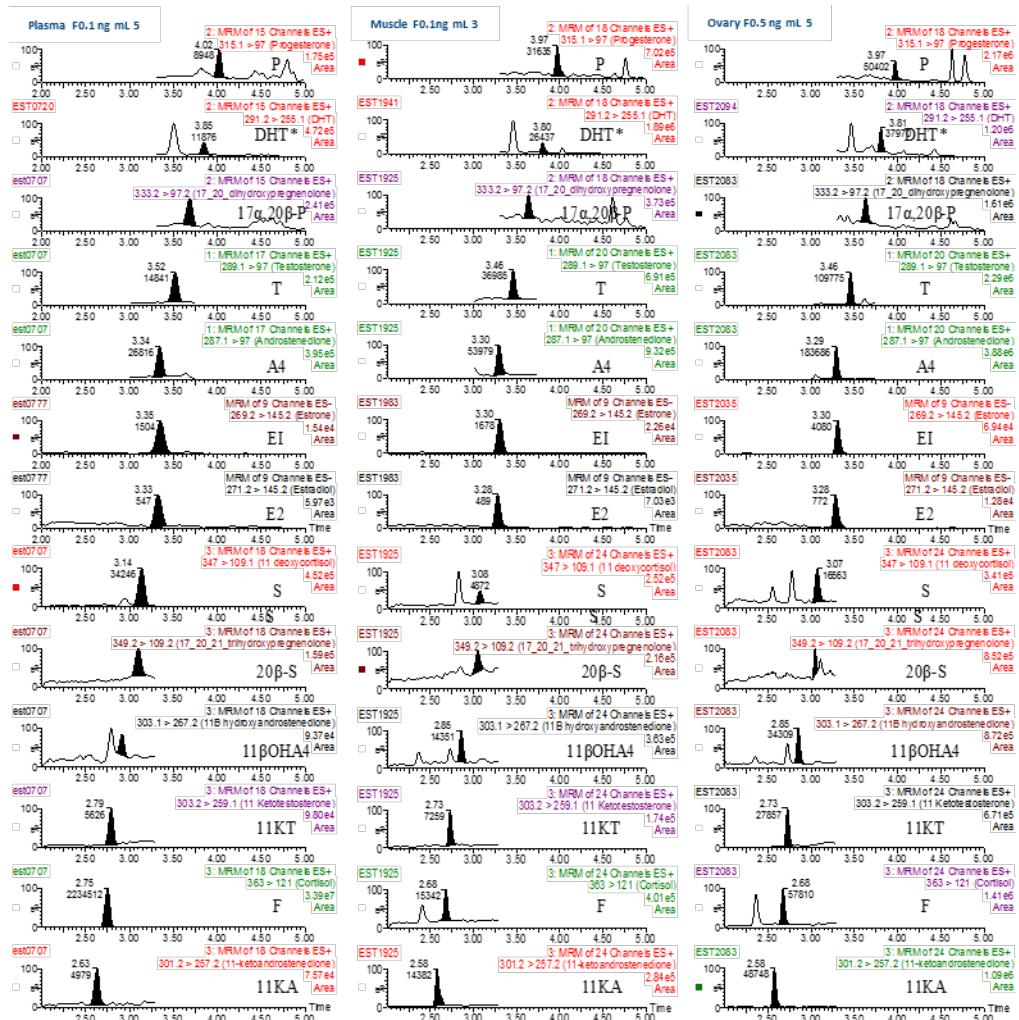
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25 **Fig. S1.** UHPLC-MS/MS chromatograms corresponding to the quantification SRM
 26 transition for the studied steroid hormones at the lowest concentration validated in plasma
 27 (0.1 ng/mL) (a), in muscle (0.1 ng/g) (b) and in ovaries (0.5 ng/g) (c).

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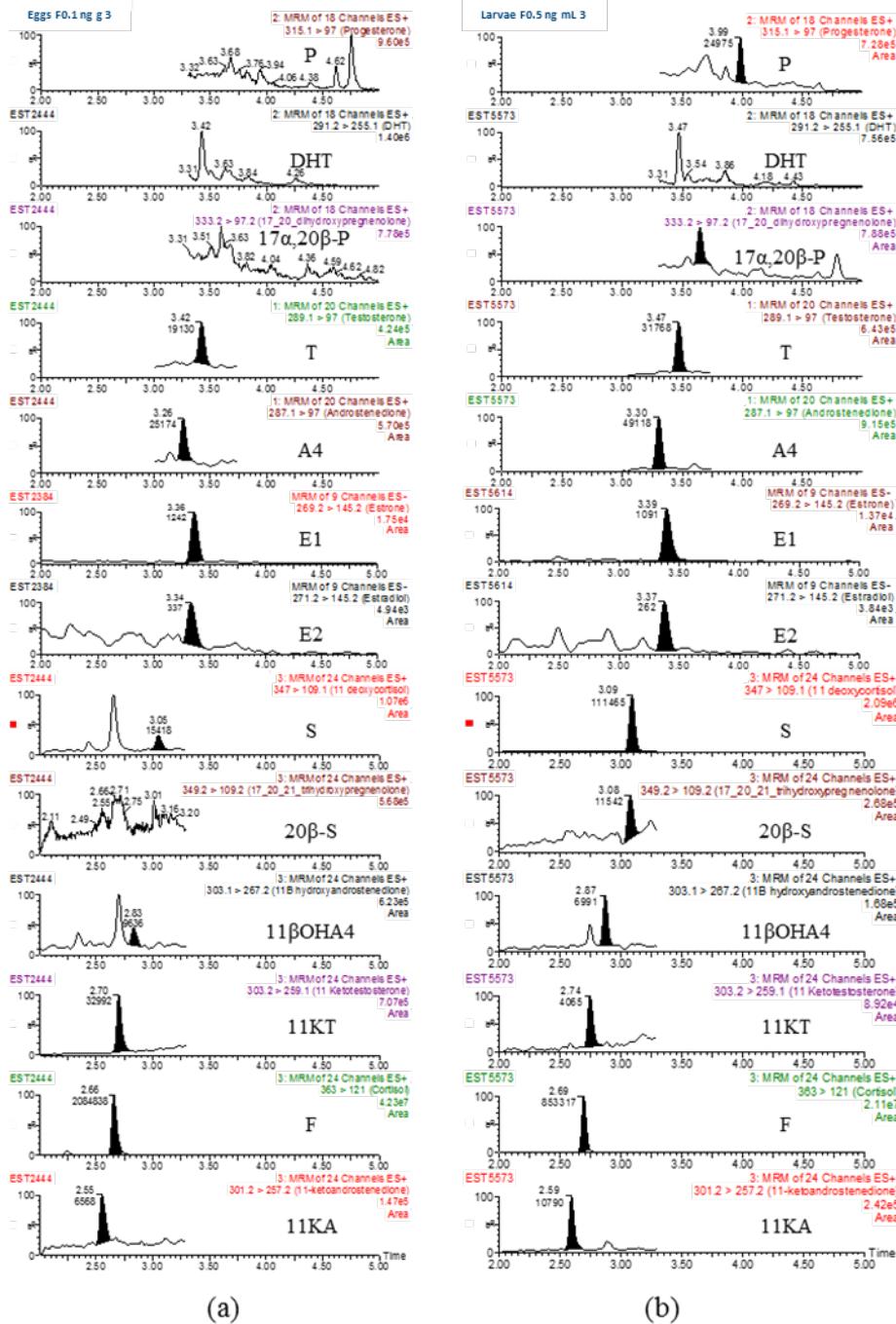
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37 **Fig. S2.** UHPLC-MS/MS chromatograms corresponding to the quantification SRM
 38 transition for the studied steroid hormones at the lowest concentration validated in eggs
 39 (0.1 ng/g) (a), and larvae (0.5 ng/g) (b).

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