Description of variables ID: Identification number ring: ring number species: sylbor = garden warbler, fichyp = pied flycatcher, erirub = European robin day, month, year: date of capture time capture: time of capture (decimal). For time of capture after midnight: time capture = time + 24 time after capture: minutes elapsed between capture and end of blood sampling. nighttime: flight duration as the proportion of nighttime elapsed between evening twilight and capture. fatscore: fat deposit in the tracheal pit and on the abdomen (five scores scale) body mass in g energy stores: percentage of body mass above lean mass TG: triglycerides (mmol/l) ßOHB: ß-hydroxy-butyrate (mmol/l) FFA: free fatty acids (mmol/l) GLYC: glycerol (mmol/l) UA: uric acid (mmol/l) GLU: glucose (mmol/l) VLDL: very low density lipoproteins (a percentage of fraction 1 of the electrophoresis)