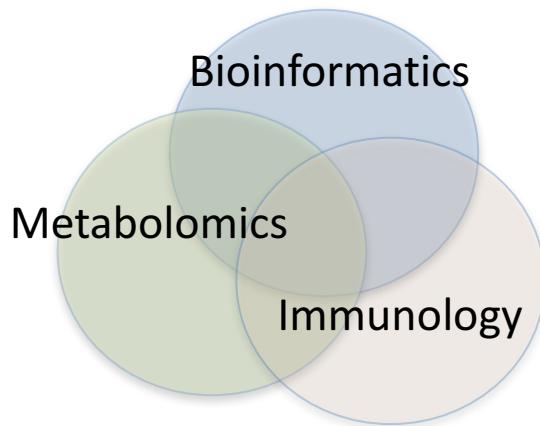


Metabolomics and exposome research



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The exposome: from concept to utility

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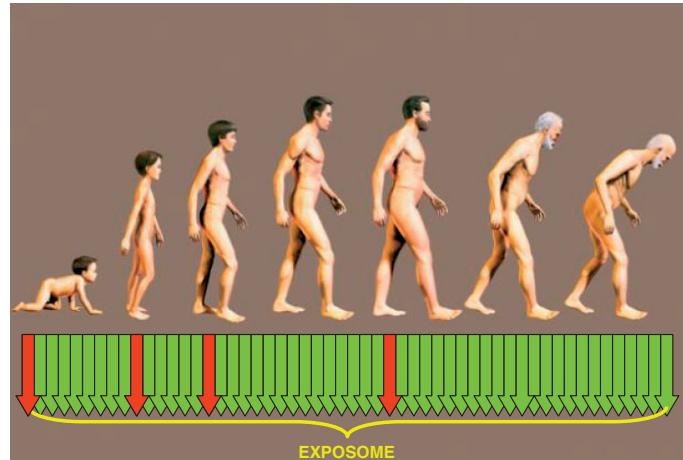
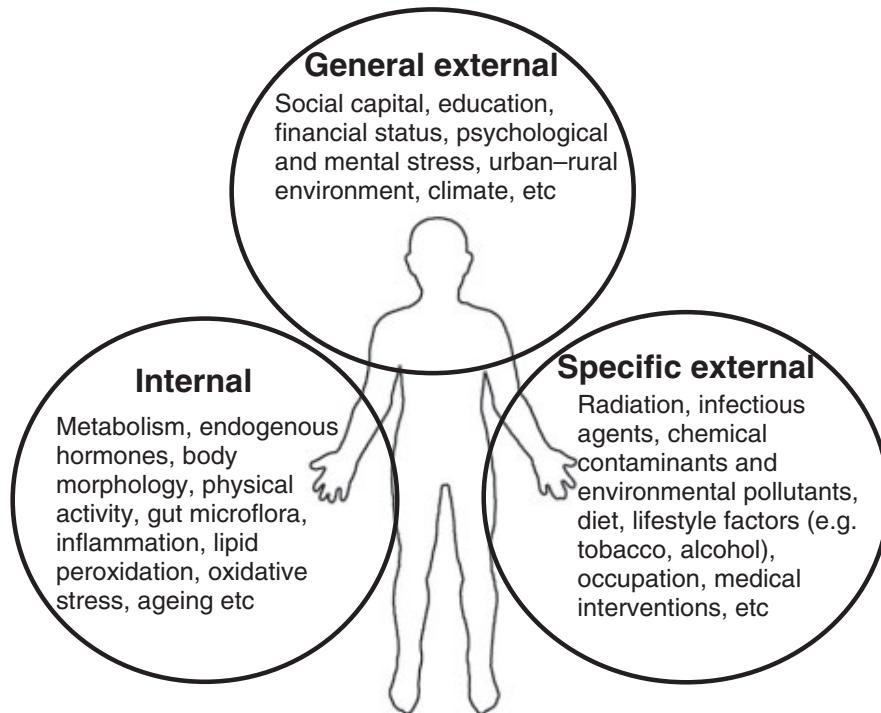
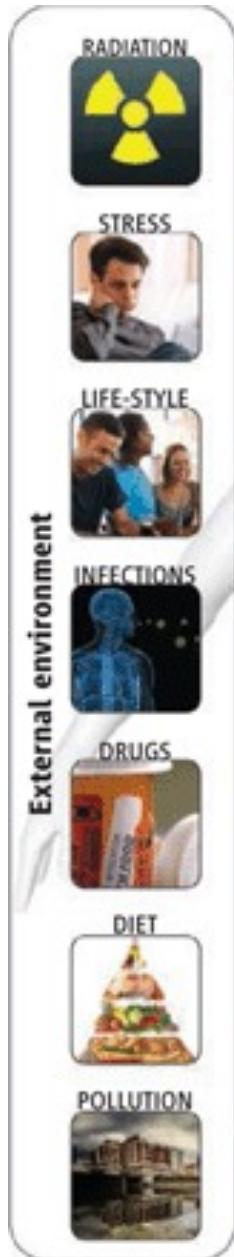


Figure 1 Three different domains of the exposome are presented diagrammatically with non-exhaustive examples for each of these domains

The exposome: from concept to utility

Approach	Tools
Biomarkers (omics)	
General	Genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics, epigenomics
Targeted	Adductomics, lipidomics, immunomics
Sensor technologies (including mobile phones)	Environmental pollutants, physical activity, stress, circadian rhythms, location [global positioning systems (GPS)]
Imaging (including mobile phones, video cameras)	Diet, environment, social interactions
Portable computerized devices (including palmtop computers)	Behaviour and experiences (ecological momentary assessment), stress, diet, physical activity
Improved conventional measurements (combined with environmental measures)	Job-exposure matrices; dietary recall (e.g. EPIC-Soft)

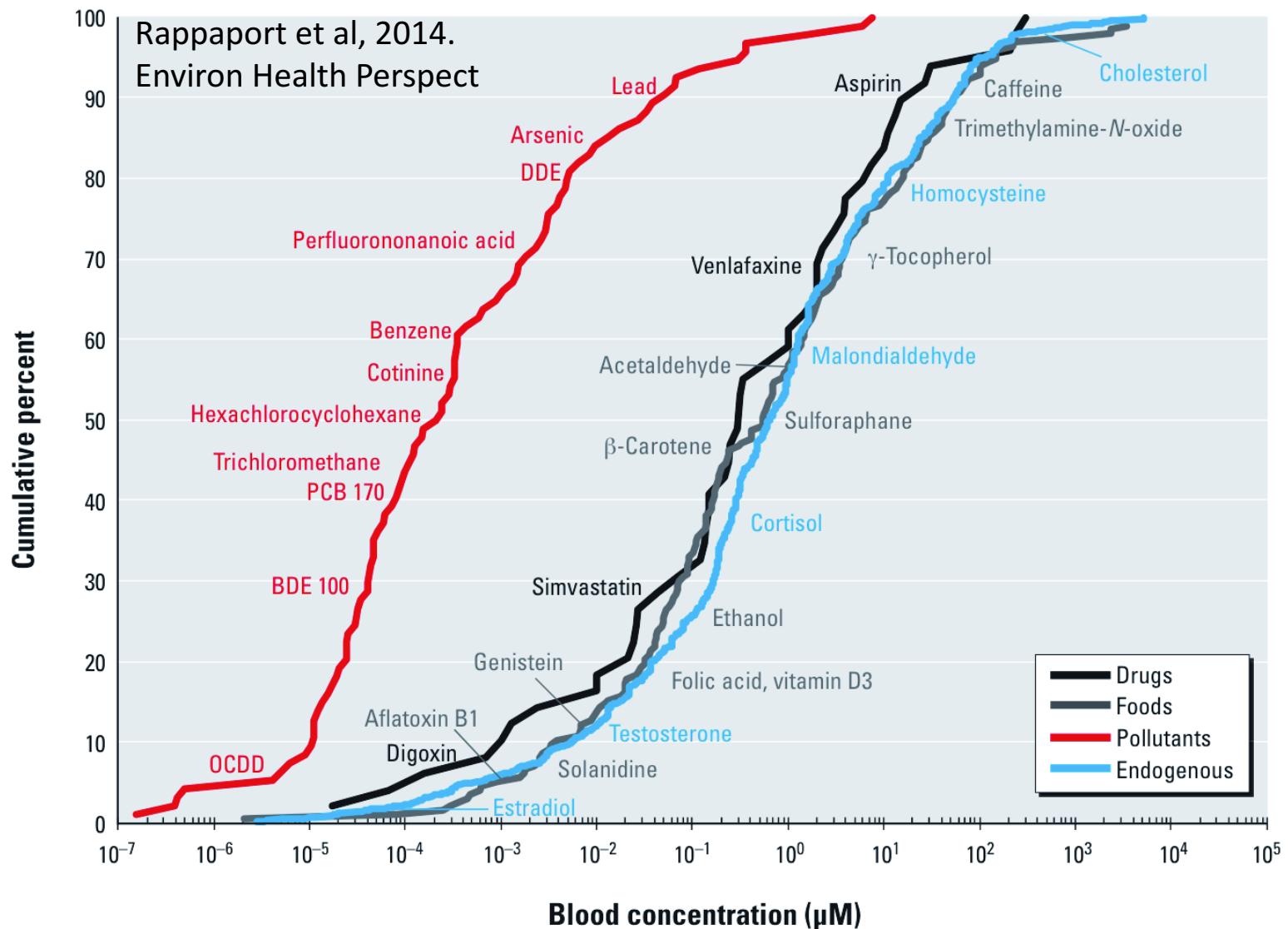


Exposome

Characterizing the exposome represents a technological challenge like that of the human genome project, which began when DNA sequencing was in its infancy.

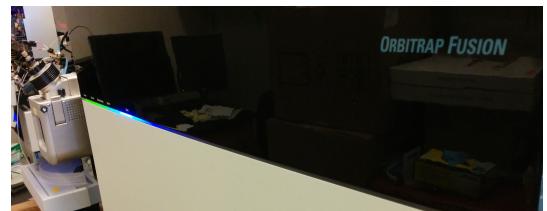
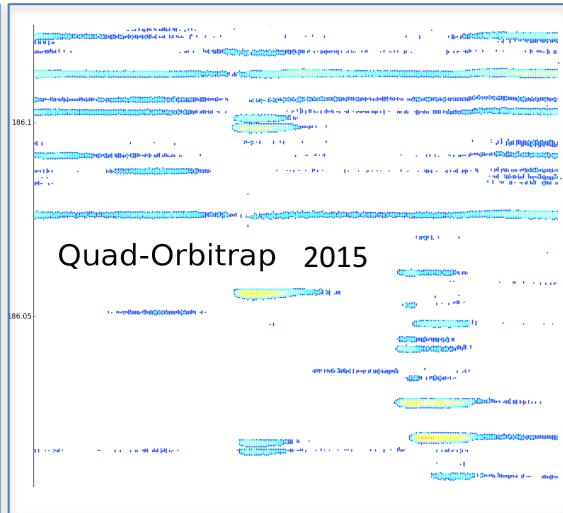
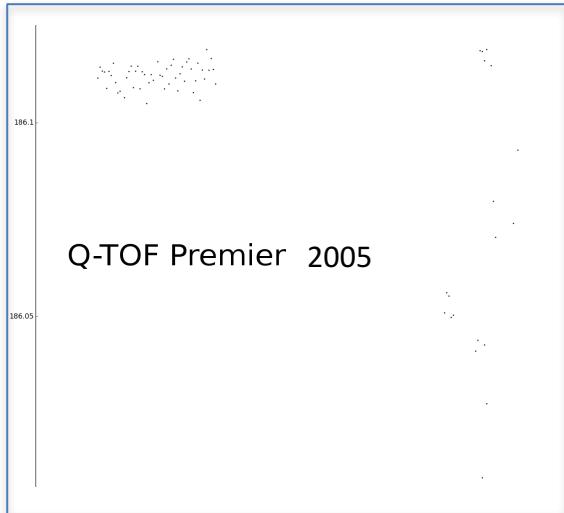
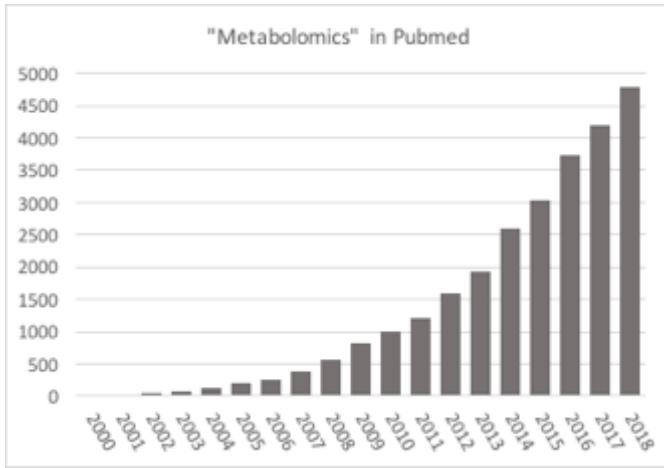
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Blood concentration of small molecules

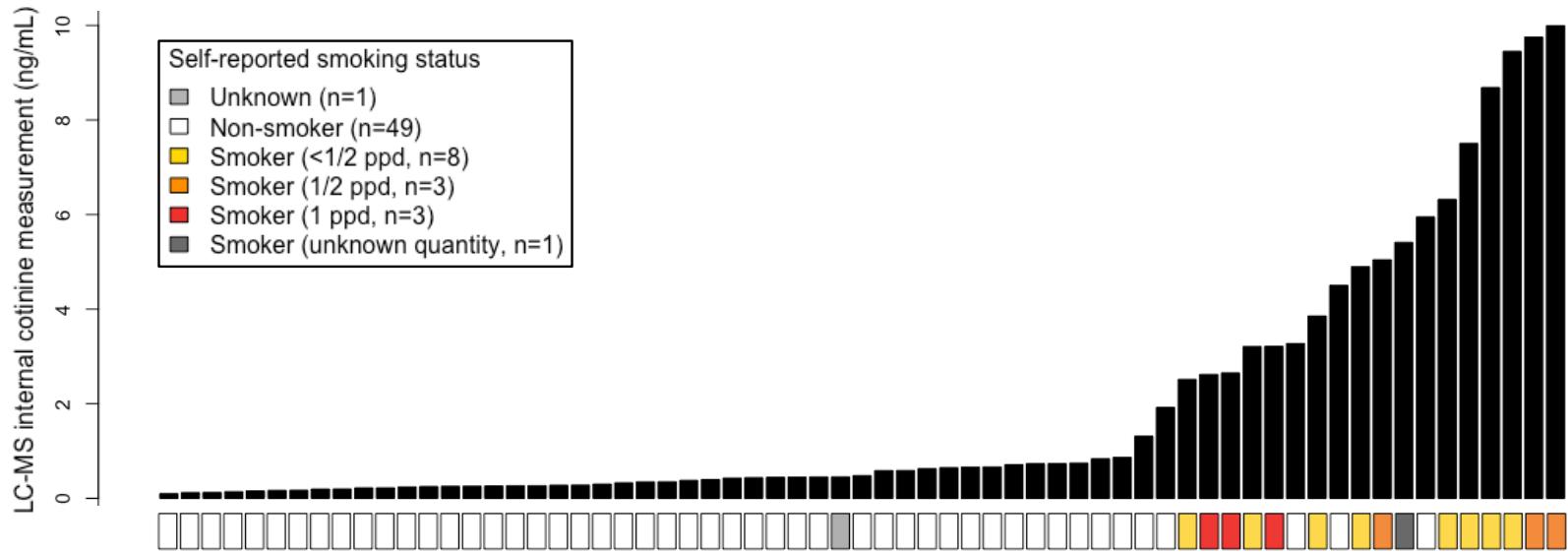


Advance of Metabolomics

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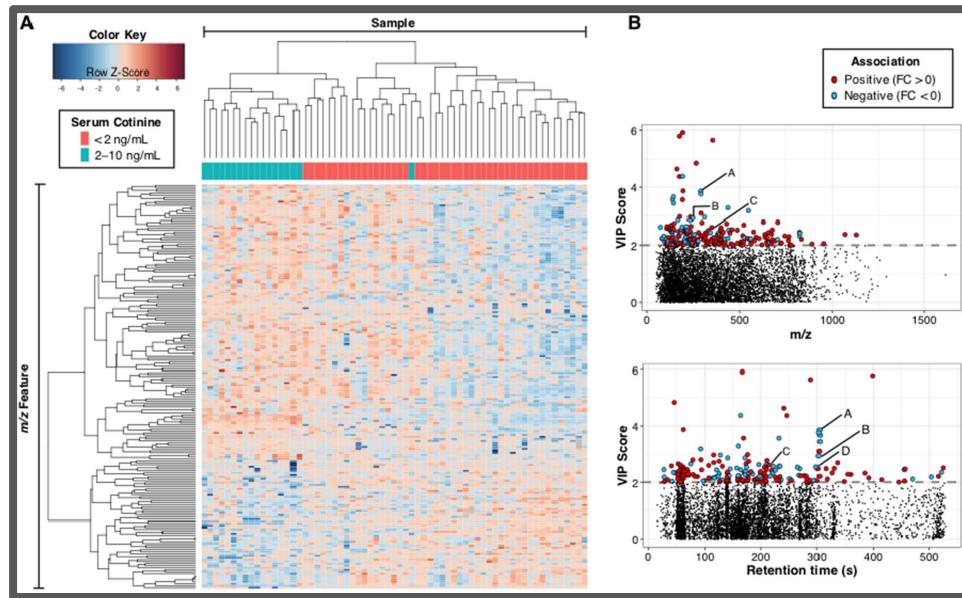


Cotinine level seen directly in metabolomics data

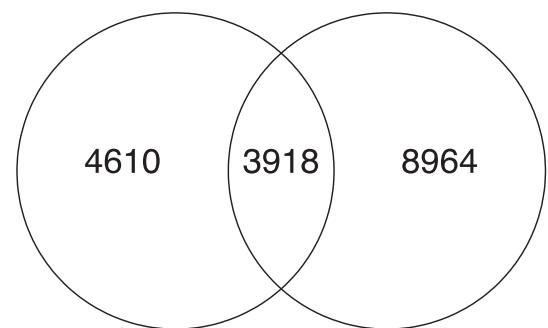


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MWAS reveals biological effect of smoking on fetus



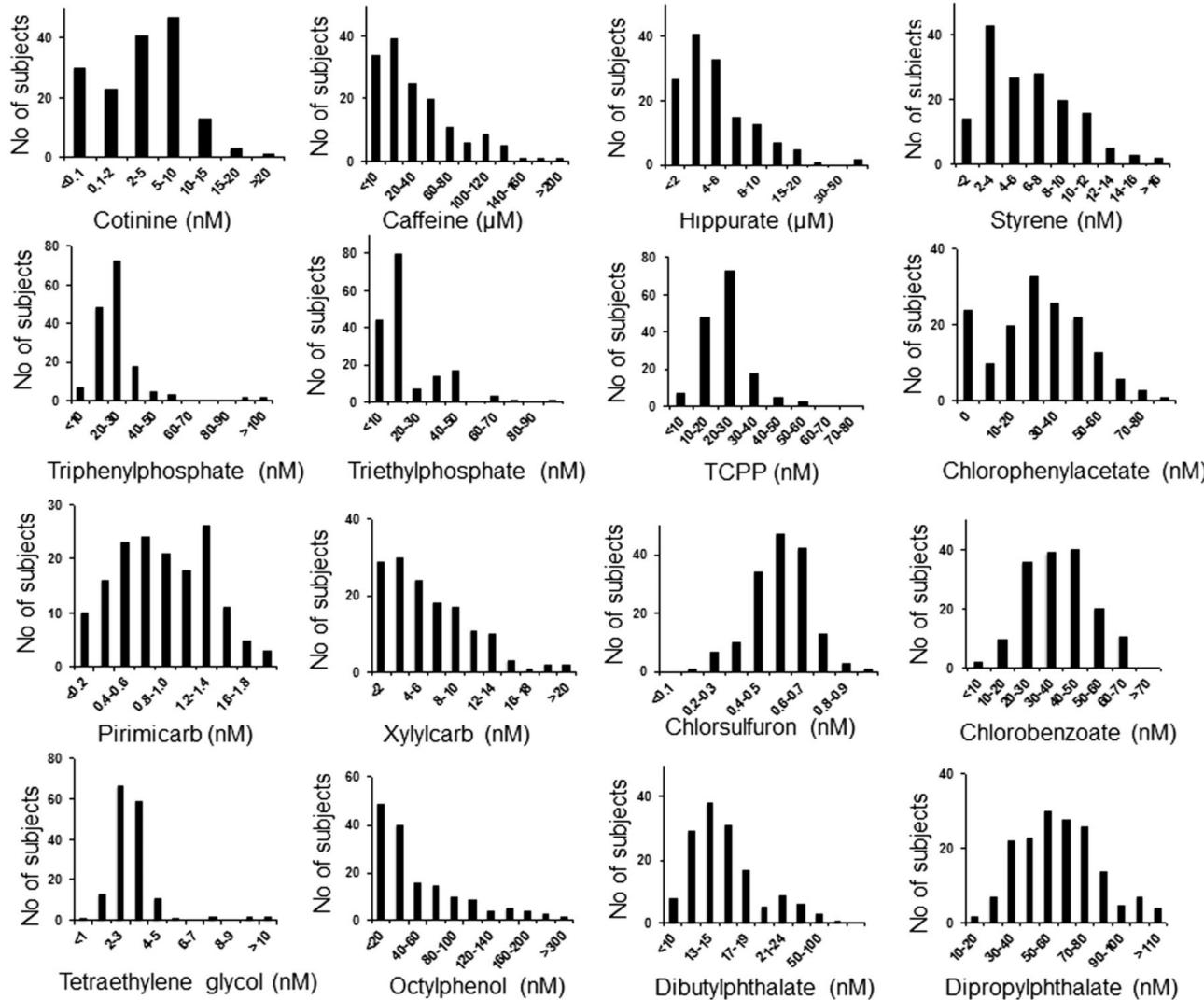
Amniotic fluid Maternal serum



Resemblance to adult smoker

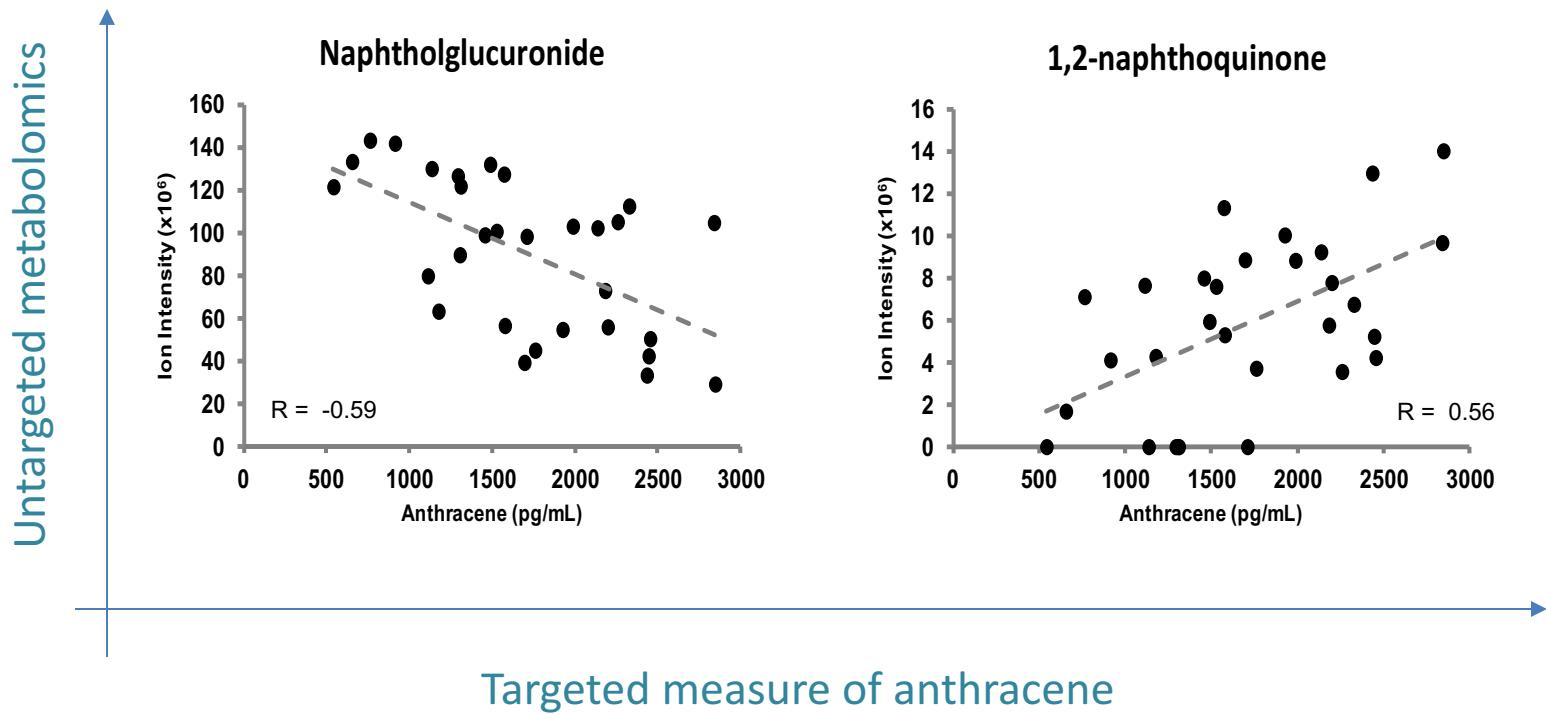
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Environmental and dietary chemicals captured in LC-HRMS metabolomics



Histograms of selected environmental and dietary chemicals in 157 healthy adults. Samples were analyzed in triplicate by HRM and quantification was performed using reference standardization.

Internal dose or surrogate

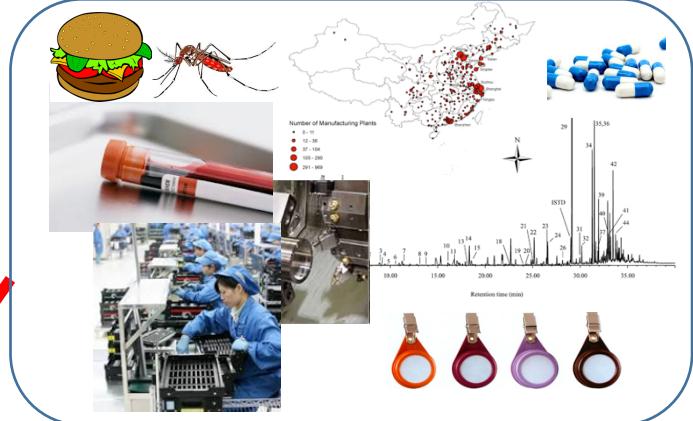
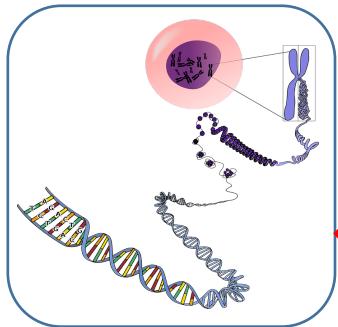


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Environment

Genome



Gene function



Endogenous metabolome

Core Biological Metabolome

Microbiome-related Chemicals

Non-nutritive Chemicals in Diet

Supplements and Pharmaceuticals

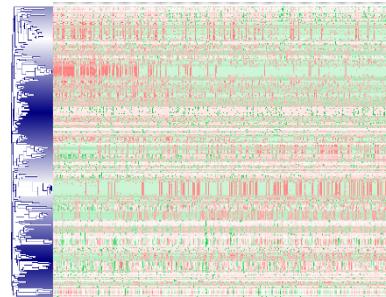
Environmental metabolome

Commercial Products

Environmental Chemicals

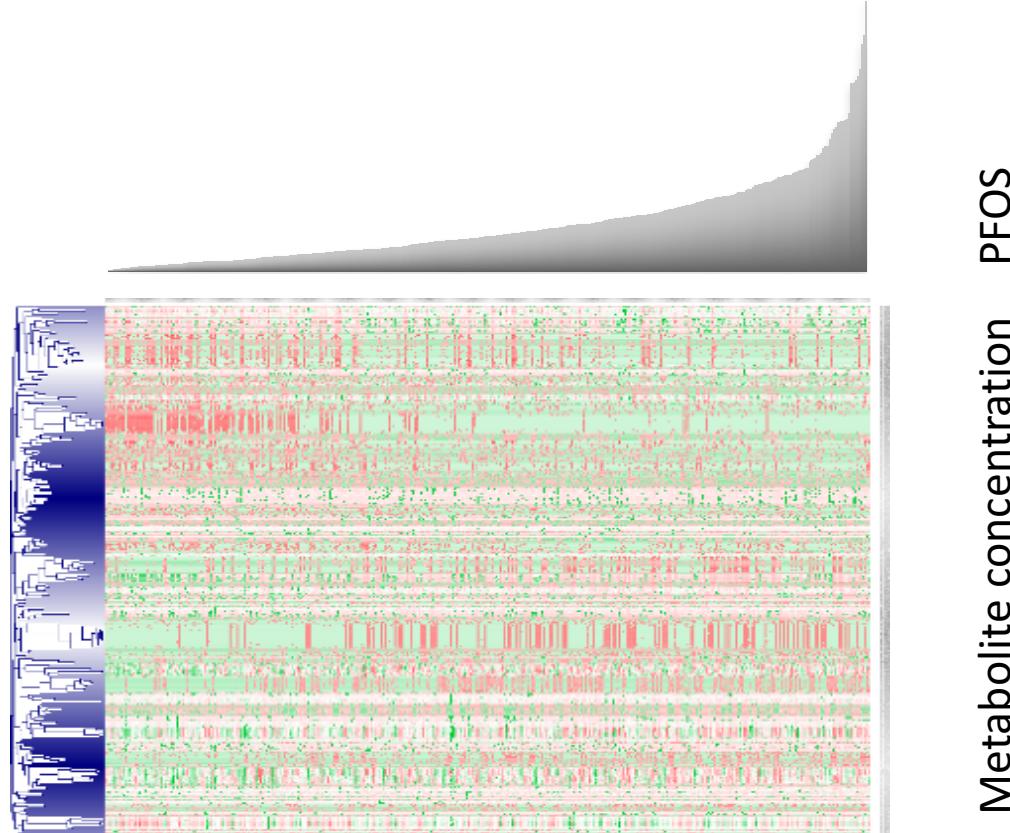
Body burden

Molecular response



Metabolome

Metabolome wide association study (MWAS) to gauge bioeffect



Metabolite concentration PFOS

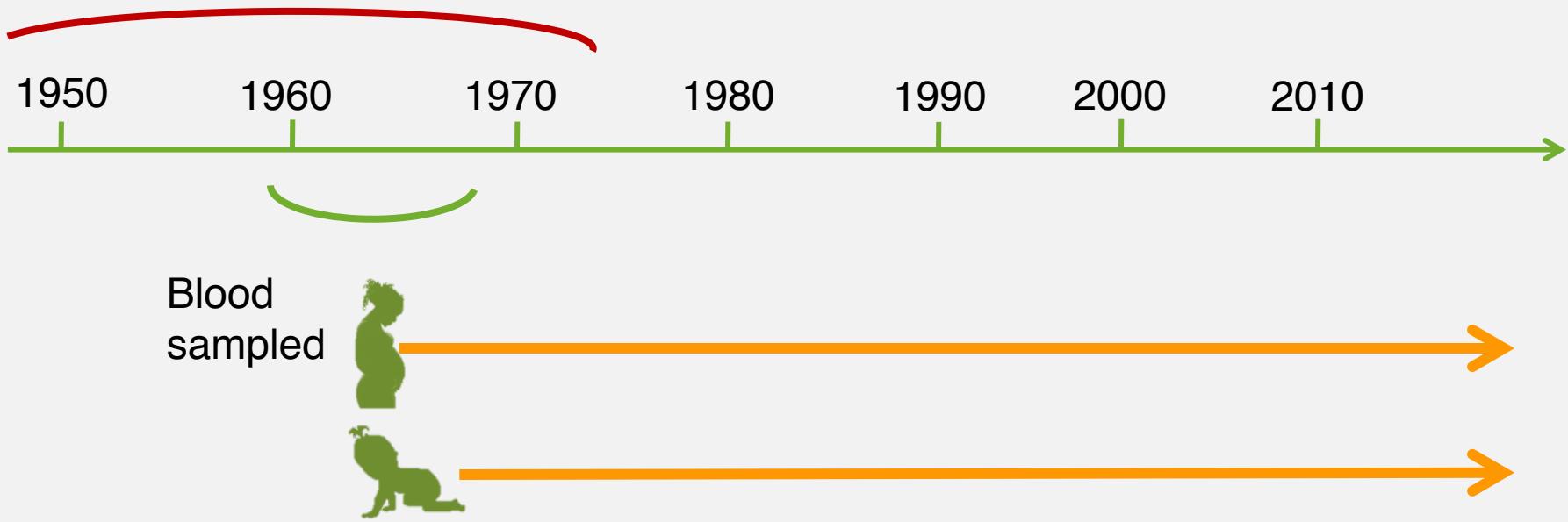


During 1959-1967
over 15,000 pregnant women in the
Kaiser Permanente Health Plan
joined the CHDS.



Child Health and Development Studies

Organochlorine years

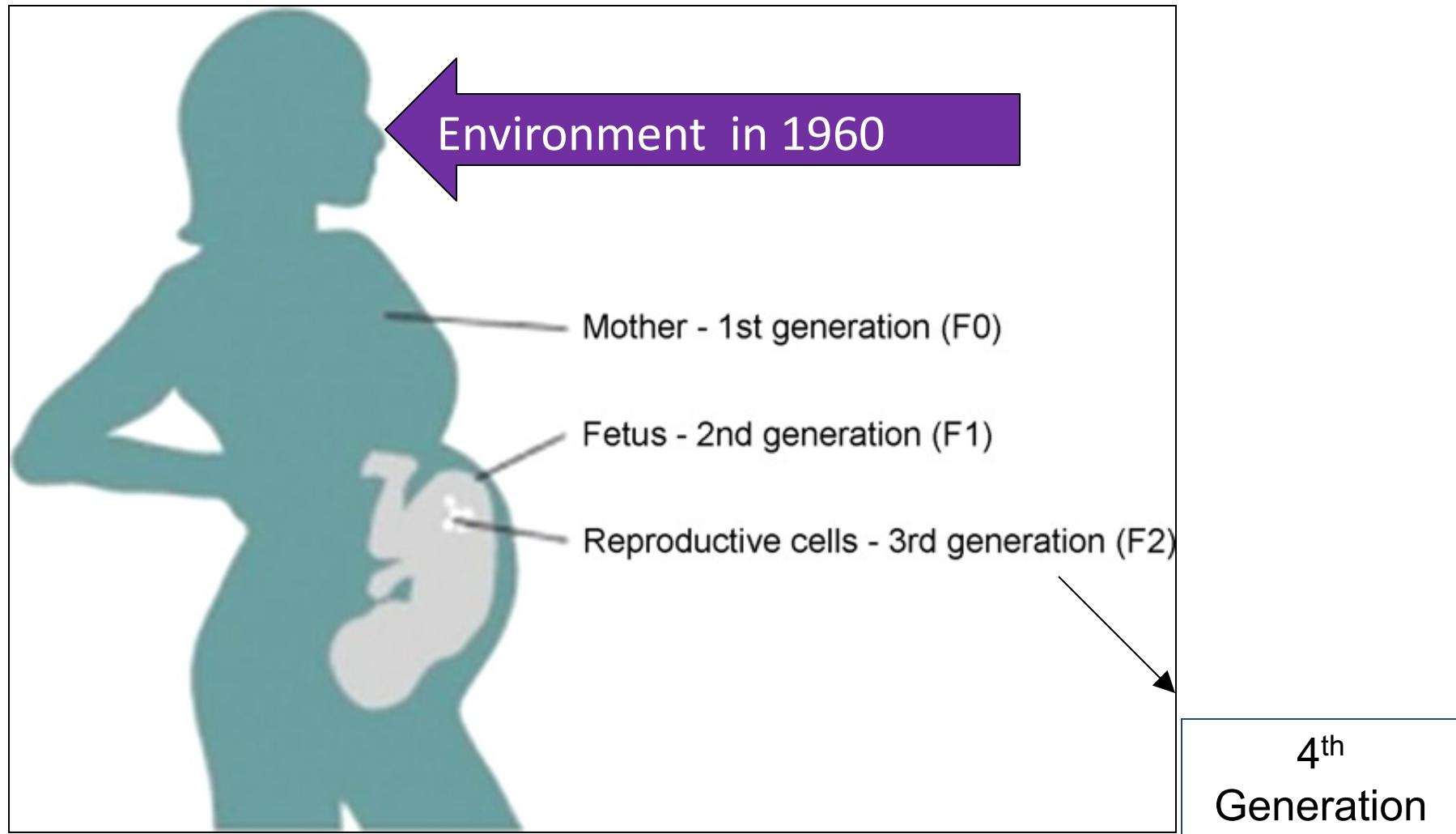


Blood samples from our cohort were taken during the height of organochlorine use and allow us to measure exposure for the mother, fetus and future grandchildren



Vulnerability Differs by Generation

- One exposure can impact three or more generations of women differently





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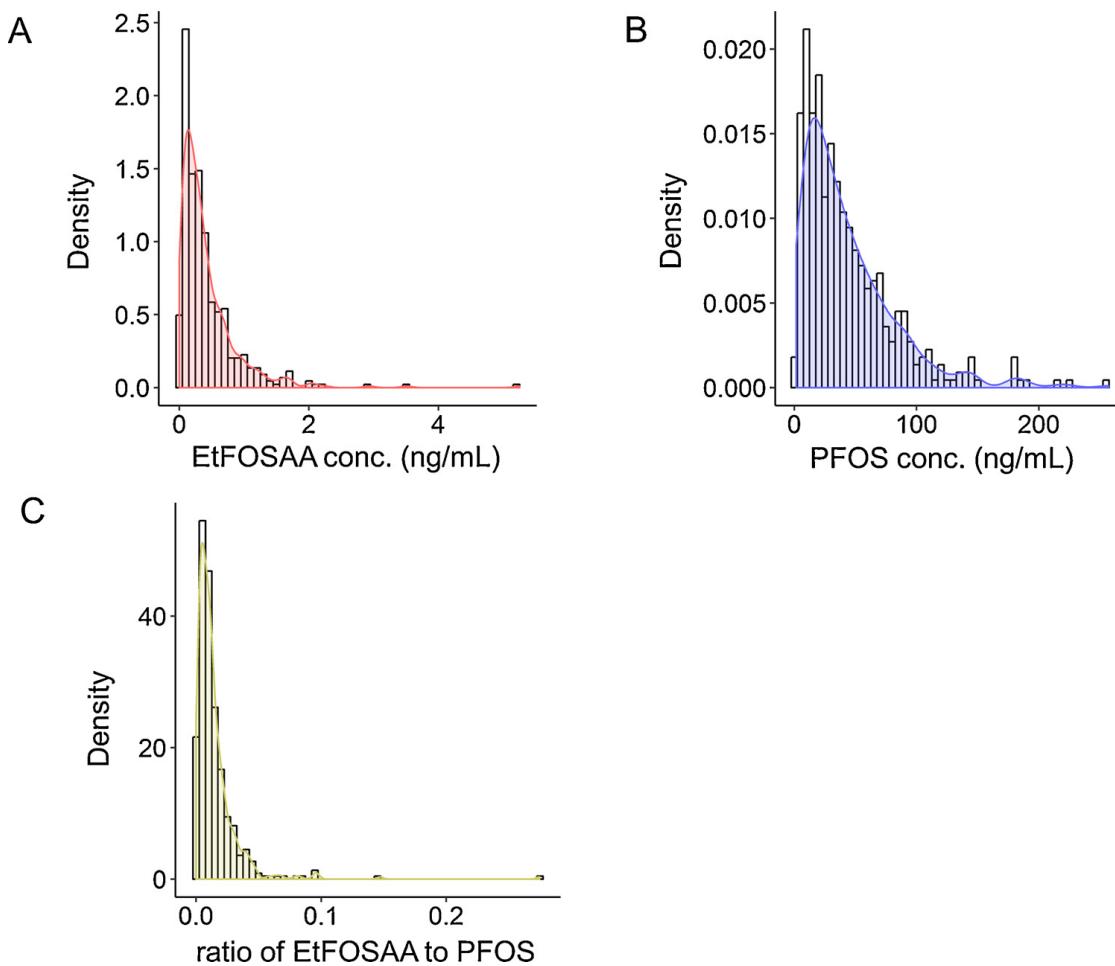


Fig. 1. Distribution of serum EtFOSAA (A), PFOS (B) concentrations and the ratio of EtFOSAA to PFOS (C) in 397 subjects from the Child Health and Development Studies (CHDS) cohort, visualized by histogram and density curves.

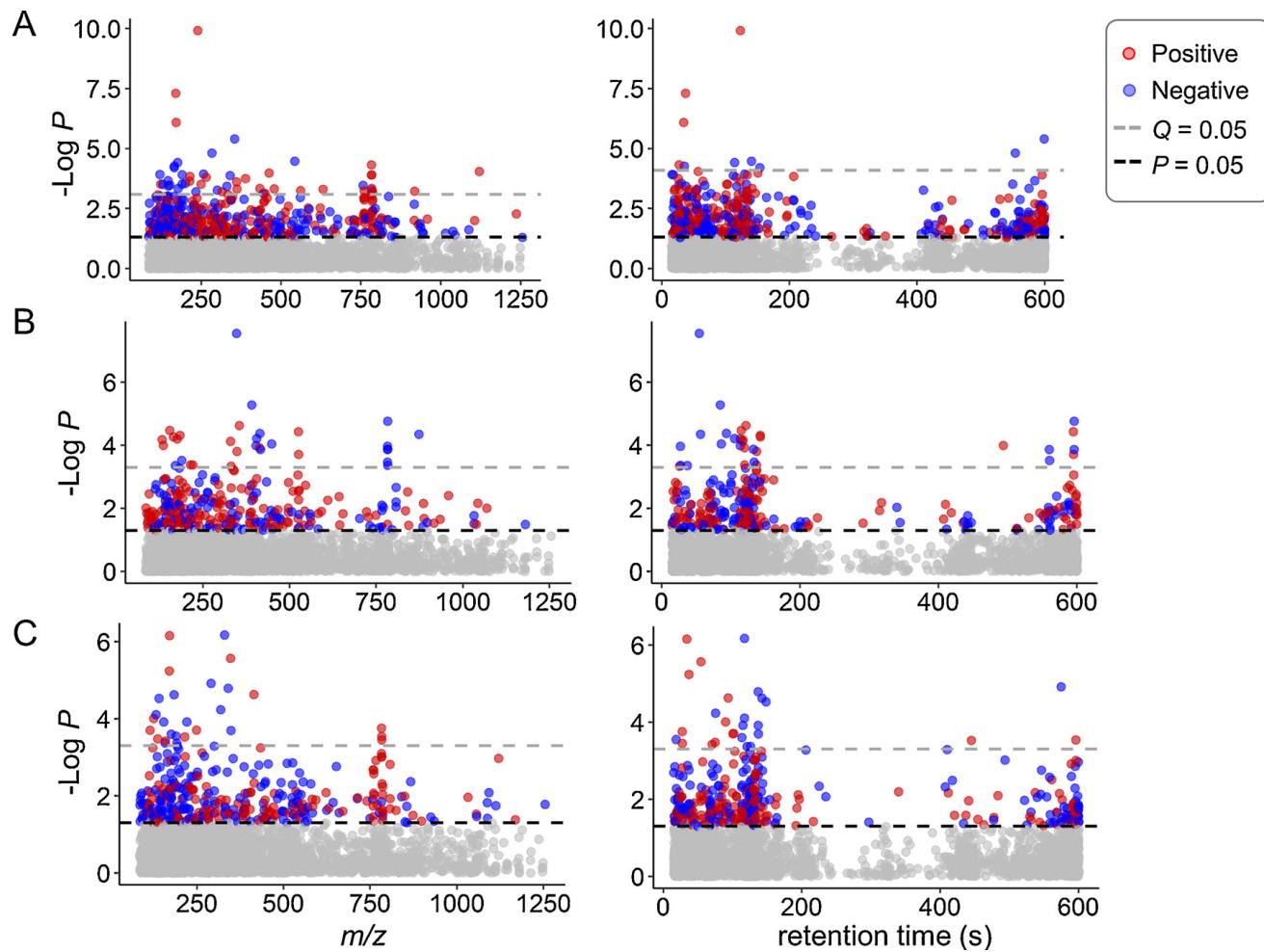


Fig. 2. Metabolome-wide association study (MWAS) of serum EtFOSAA (A), PFOS (B) and the EtFOSAA/PFOS ratio (C) in 397 subjects from the CHDS cohort. Type 1 Manhattan plot for $-\log P$ vs m/z features and type 2 Manhattan plot for $-\log P$ vs retention time with C18 chromatography separation are presented left and right, respectively. Red indicates positive correlation between significant features ($P < 0.05$) and exposure; blue indicates negative correlation.

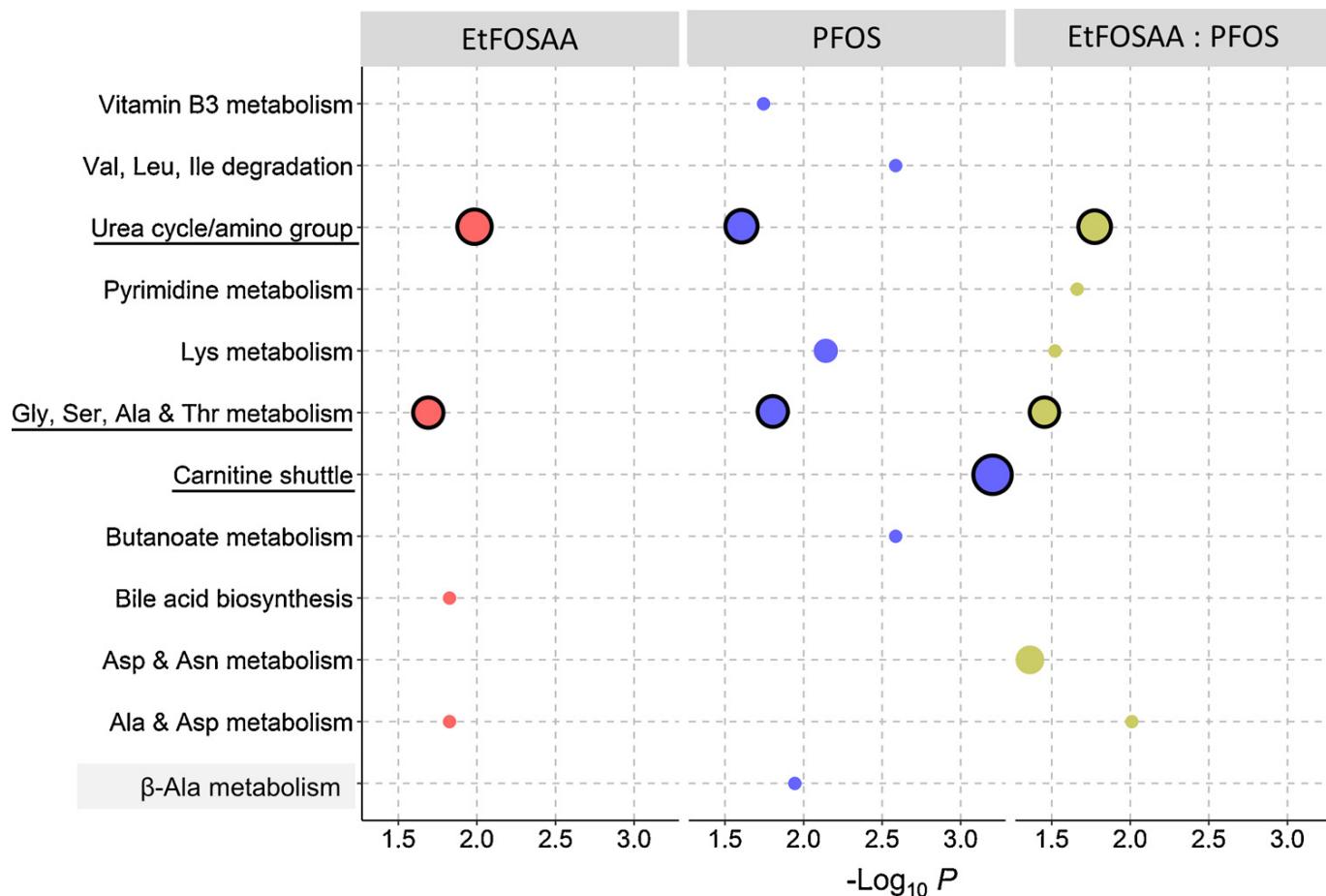


Fig. 3. Metabolic pathways enriched by significant features associated with EtFOSAA, PFOS concentrations and the EtFOSAA/PFOS ratio. Size of circles is proportional to the overlap size (i.e. number of significant metabolites in each pathway). Major pathways (≥ 6 metabolites) are circled in black outline.

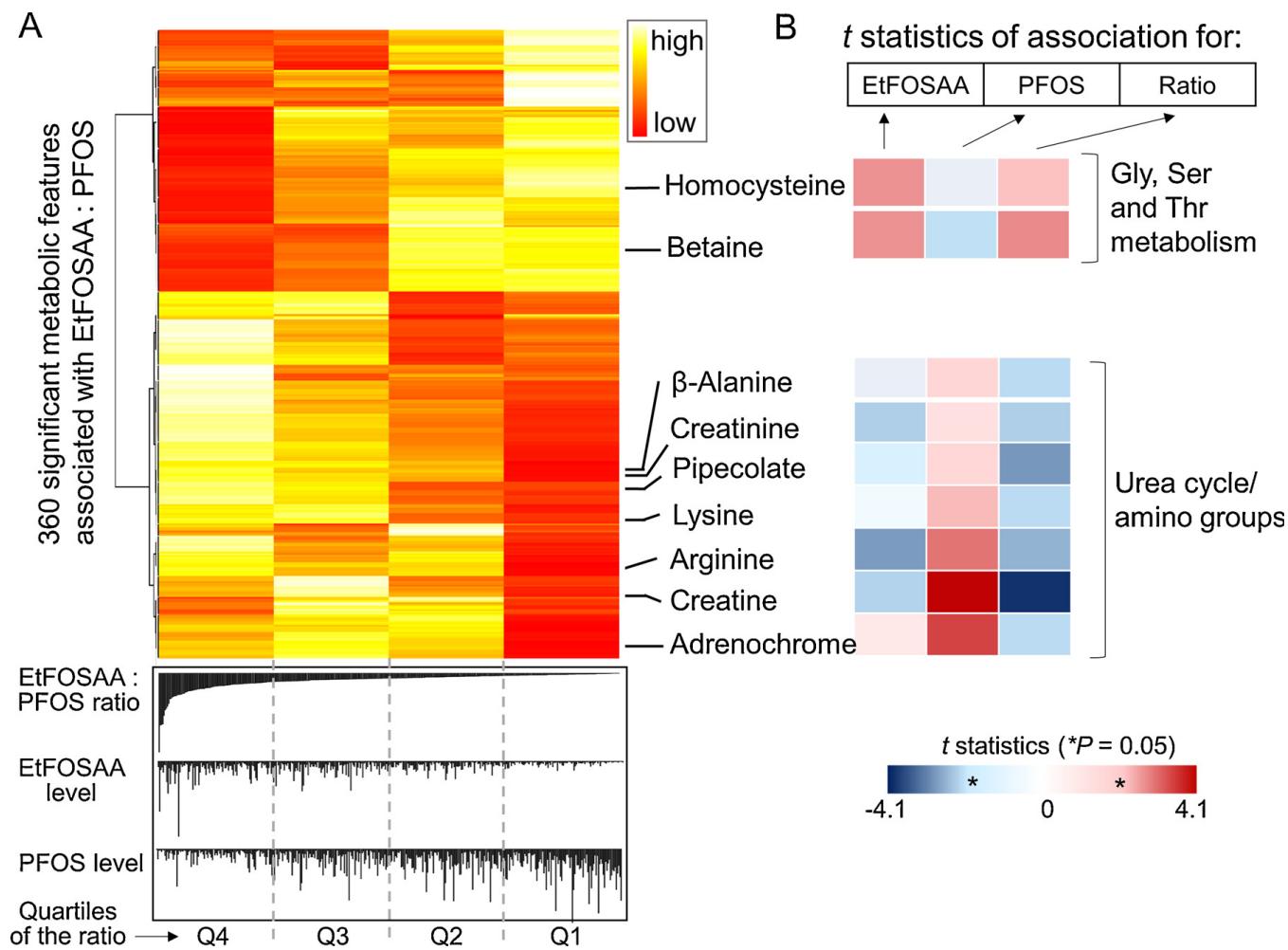
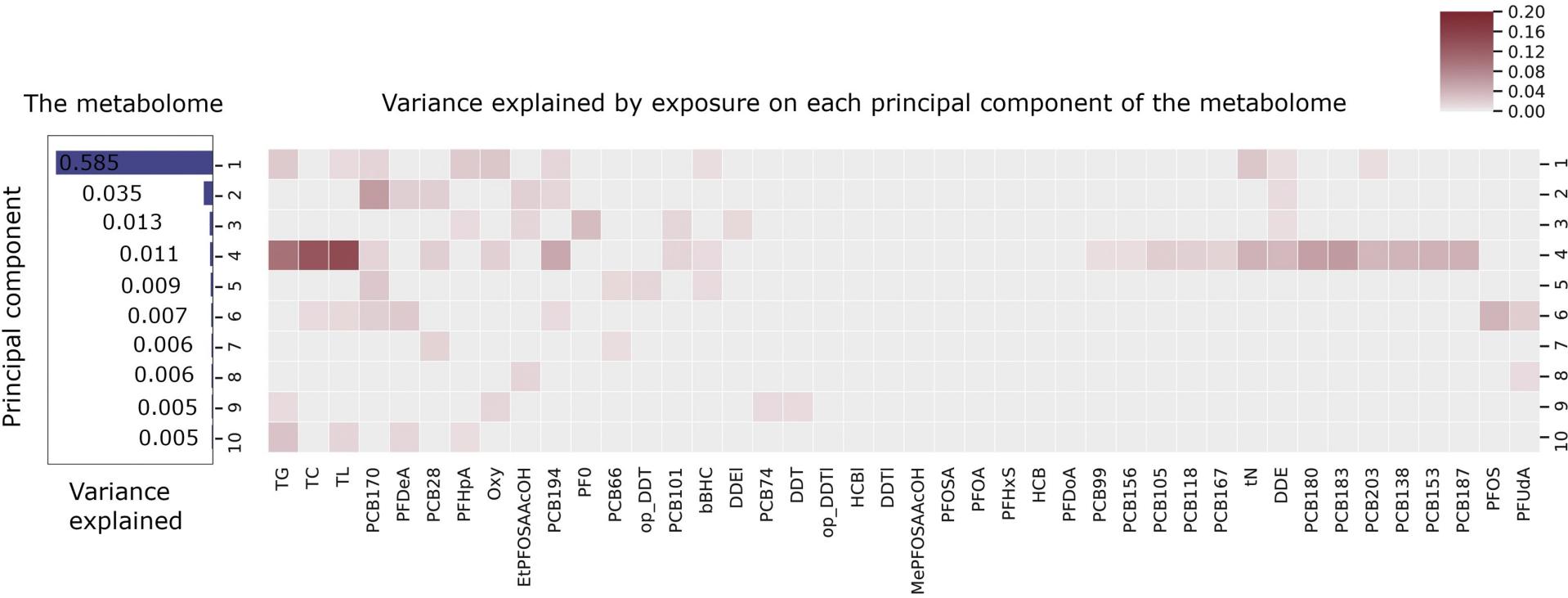


Fig. 4. Key metabolites in two major common pathways associated with EtFOSAA and PFOS exposure. **A:** Heat map of quartile average abundance of metabolites significantly associated with the EtFOSAA/PFOS ratio. The metabolites here are annotated by accurate mass (5 ppm, details in Supplemental Table S2), and selected metabolites were further confirmed by authentic chemical standards (arginine, lysine, creatine, creatinine, β-alanine).

Mixed exposures

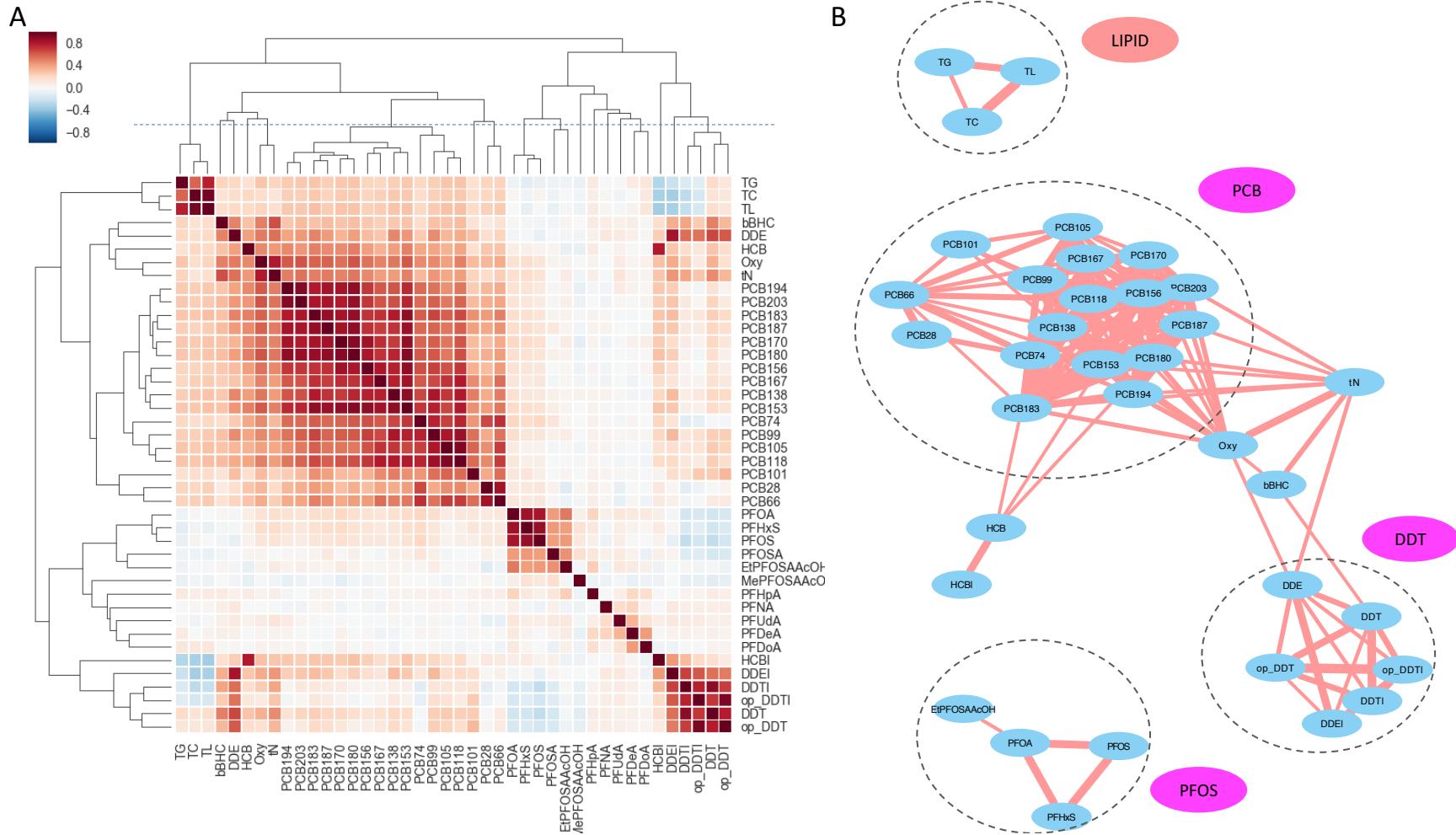
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Variance analysis of the metabolome and environmental exposures.

Principal component analysis was performed on the serum metabolomics data from 397 CHDS participants, and the contribution of top 10 principal components is shown on the left. Corresponding to each of the components, the variance explained by each exposure (R^2) is colored coded in the heatmap on the right. Data are only shown for features with $p < 0.05$ in Pearson correlation analysis. The lipid measures, TG, TC and TL, are included as control.

Exposure communities in CHDS data



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