


LA GESTACIÓN COMO PERÍODO DE SUSCEPTIBILIDAD A LOS EFECTOS DE LOS DISRUPTORES ENDOCRINOS

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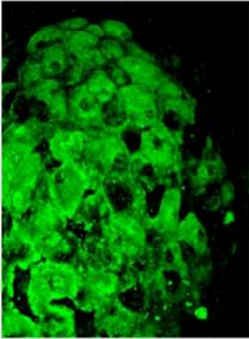
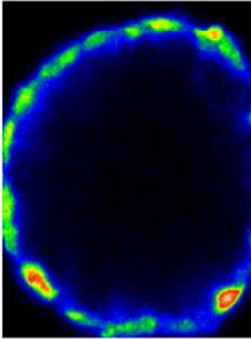
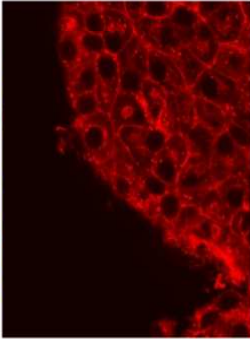
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<p>Our group works to identify the role that the gonadal hormone 17 β-estradiol has in the physiology of pancreatic α and β-cells ...</p> <p>More information ></p> 	<p>In our group, we particularly focus on the mechanisms and signal transduction pathways that regulate the secretion and ...</p> <p>More information ></p> 	<p>Our group is interested in epidemiological studies in children about food preferences and physical activity ...</p> <p>More information ></p> 

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Endocrine Disruptors and Type-2 Diabetes

We are interested in the role that endocrine disruptors, particularly Bisphenol-A, have in the etiology of Diabetes. We study how exposure to EDCs at different times during life affects insulin sensitivity and the function of the endocrine pancreas. We have interest in how endocrine disruptors exposure during pregnancy affects offspring glucose metabolism later in life.

17 β -Estradiol and Environmental Estrogen Actions on the Endocrine Pancreas.

We work to understand the role that estrogen receptors ER α , ER β and GPER1 have in the physiology of the islet of Langerhans. This will give light on how estrogens influence the plasticity of the endocrine pancreas during the adaptation to pregnancy and obesity. In addition, this will help us to better understand the role of estrogen receptors in low dose effects of endocrine disruptors with estrogenic activity and how they affect insulin biosynthesis and release.



THE STORY OF HOW A BAD START
LASTS A LIFETIME..... .





Developmental
Origins of Health
and Disease (DOHaD)

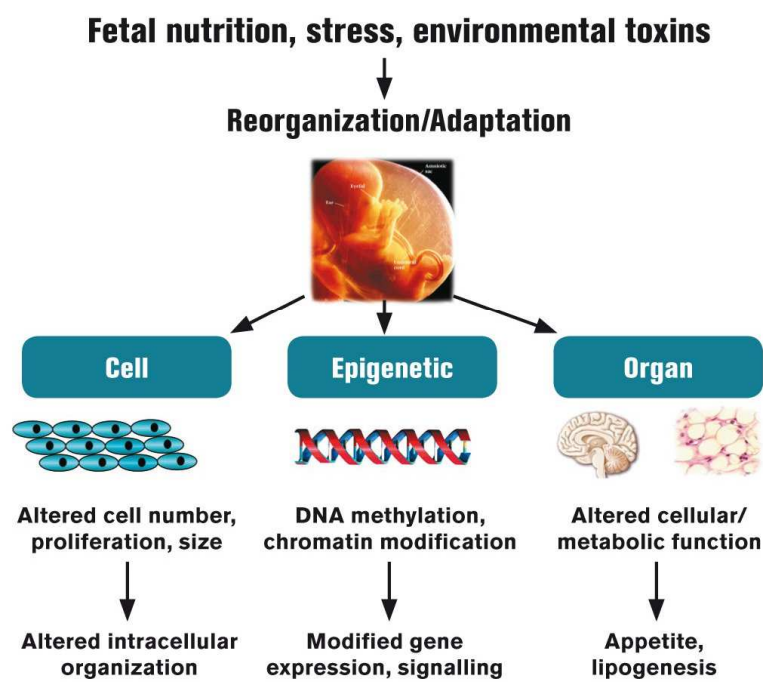


Fetal programming

Why are there sensitive windows and persistent effects?

FIGURE 1

Mechanism of developmental programming



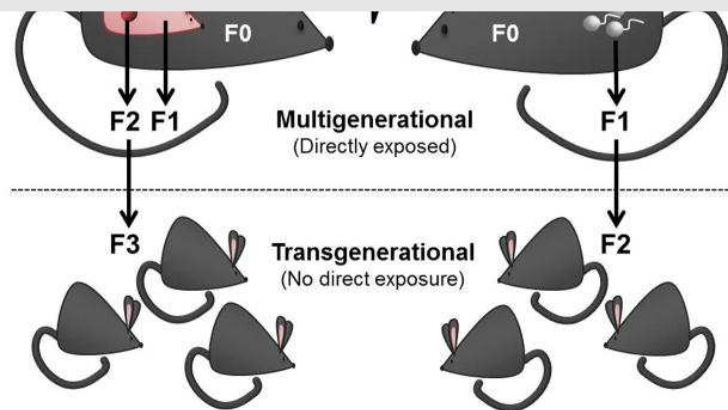
*Ross MG and Desai M
Contemporary OB/GYN*

What is Transgenerational Inheritance?

- Exposure occurs in the F0 generation
- Exposure stops—not continuous, not across generations
- Health effect is evaluated in generation(s) not directly exposed

Transmission through female
Transmission through male

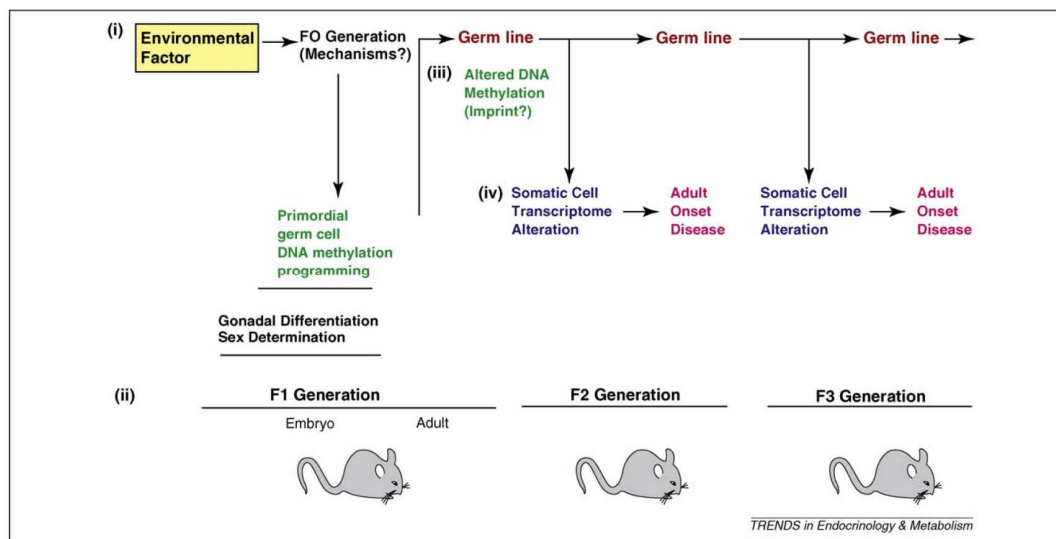
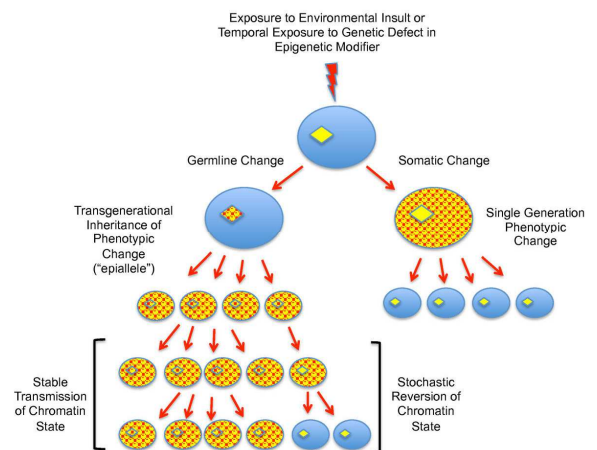
Adverse phenotypes across multiple generations!!!!



Xin et al, Semin. Cell Dev Biol 2015

How does it happen?

Kelly,
Epigenetics and Chromatin 2014



Skinner et al
TRENDS 2010



Development

A sensitive time for
environmental
chemical exposures
to alter programming
that lasts a
lifetime

We all carry a Chemical Body Burden

Pesticide metabolites

Triclosan

BPA

Diethyl hexyl phtalate
(DEHP)

Every pregnant woman has a body burden of chemicals without her knowledge ...with the potential of harm

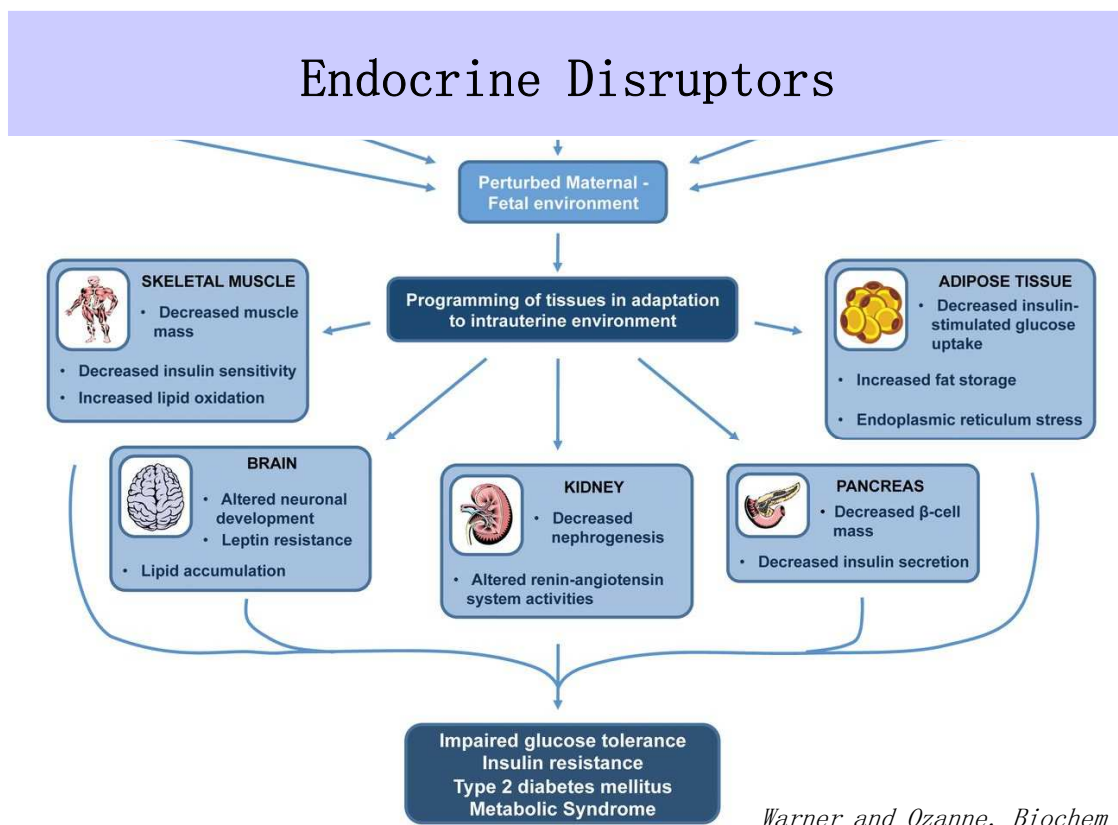
4-4' -DDE

Perchlorate/ nitrate
/ thiocyanates

Woodruff et al. 2011;

Flame retardants

PROGRAMMING OF METABOLIC DISORDERS



Endocrine Disruptors

An endocrine disruptor is an exogenous chemical, or mixture of chemicals, that interferes with any aspect of hormone action.

Zoeller et al., Endocrine Society Position Statement, Endocrinology 153: 4097-4110, 2013



Endocrine Disruptors

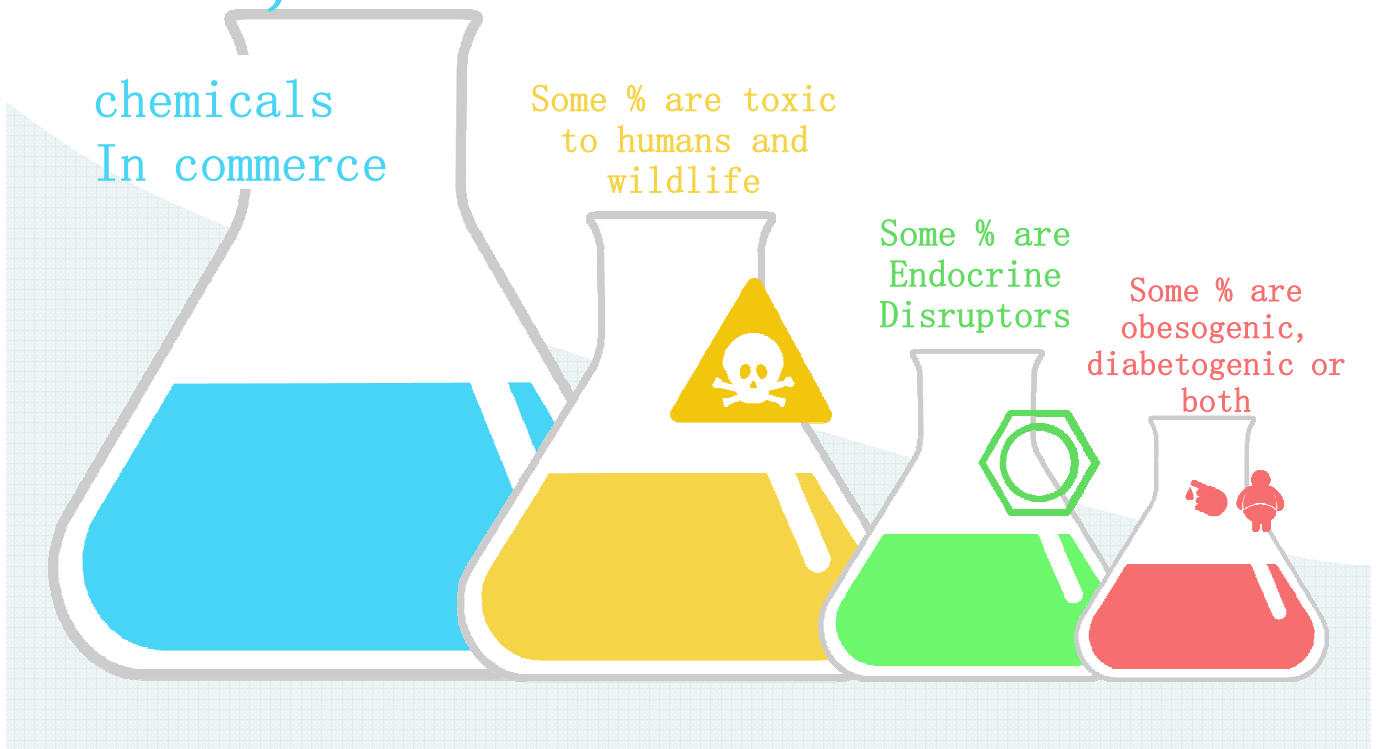
>80,000

chemicals
In commerce

Some % are toxic
to humans and
wildlife

Some % are
Endocrine
Disruptors

Some % are
obesogenic,
diabetogenic or
both

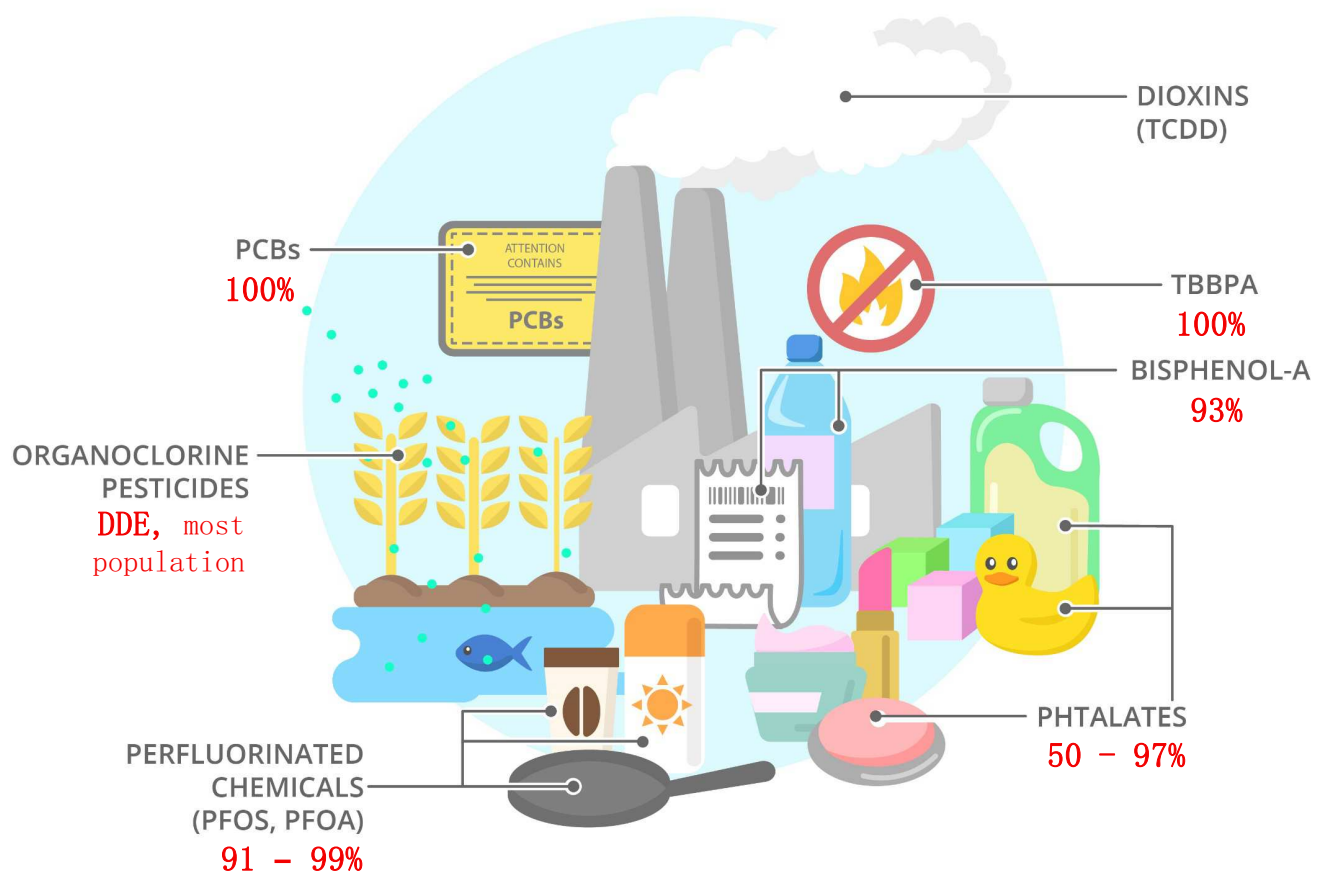


Endocrine Disruptors



Endocrine disruptors are
a
matter of high concern
for the World Health
Organization





% of people tested by CDC

Children's toys



Personal care products



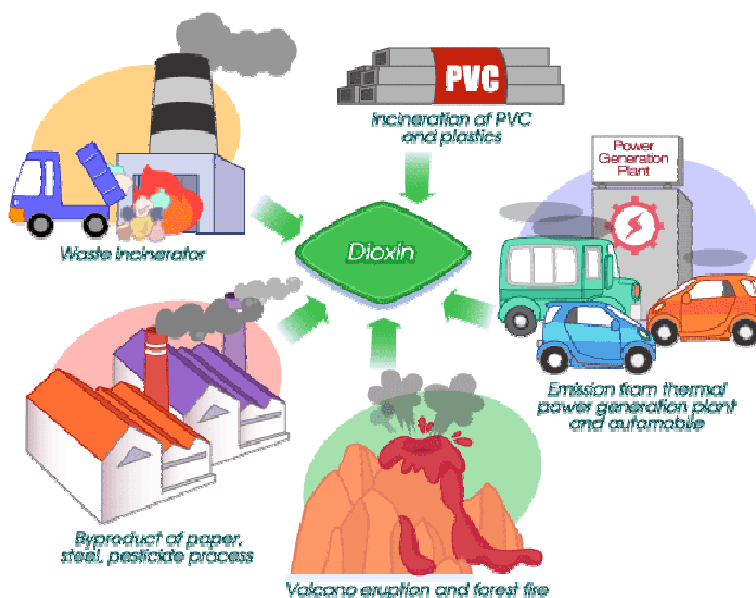
Medical devices



Applications of phthalates

- ❑ Major routes of human exposure: ingestion, inhalation and dermal contact
- ❑ DEHP daily exposure 3–30 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{d}$
- ❑ Urinary concentration of the DEHP metabolite MEHP is 1.5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{l}$
- ❑ The reference dose of DEHP 20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ of body weight per day

Applications of PCBs and dioxins



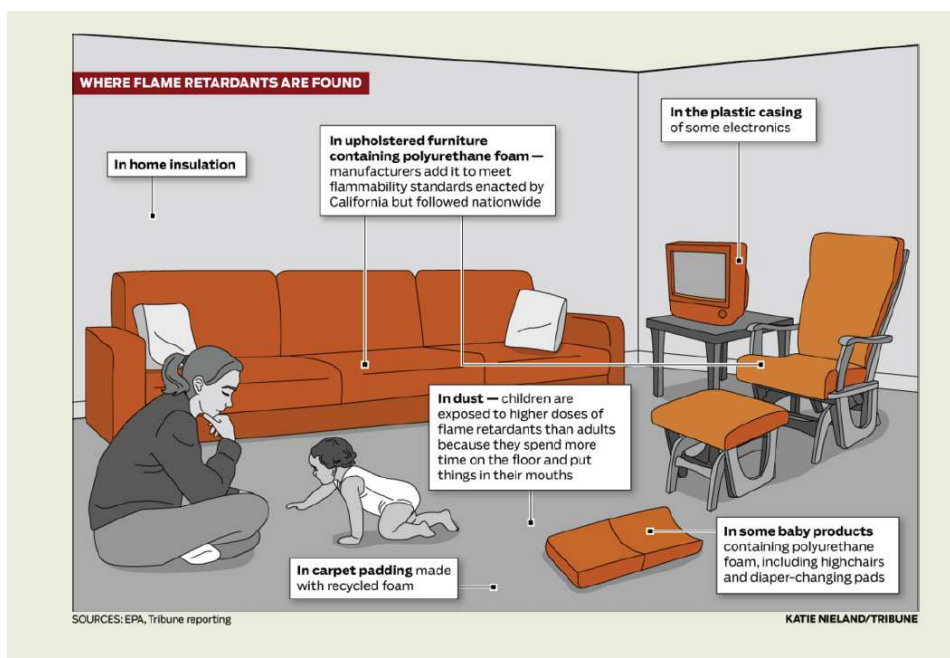
- ❑ Dioxins (PCDDs, PCDFs and certain PCBs), PCBs (209 possible PCB congeners exist)
- ❑ Thyroidogenic, estrogenic, and antiandrogenic actions
- ❑ TCDD in residents of the USA less than (20 ng/kg of lipid) but can increase up to 11 times in exposed groups.
- ❑ The reference dose (RfD) is: 7×10^{-10} mg/kg of body weight per day

Applications of PFCs (PFOA, PFOS)



- ❑ Synthetic fluorinated organic compounds
- ❑ Mean value found in serum for PFOA 2.08 ug/L and 6.31 ug/L for PFOS
- ❑ Food is thought to be the most important source of exposure. Treated carpets and floors treated with waxes and sealants that contain PFASs important source of exposure for babies and infants
- ❑ The RfD for PFOA and PFOS is 20 ng/kg of body weight per day

Applications of flame retardants



- ❑ Main sources of human exposure (indoor environments, diet, and occupational exposure)
- ❑ BDE-47 is found in the serum of 100% of the population of the USA
- ❑ Daily exposure doses of TBBPA range (0.04 ng/kg – 7.50 ng/kg of body weight per day) in adult individuals and (0.31 ng/kg – 58.54 ng/kg of body weight per day) in children

Applications of organochlorine pesticides

- ❑ DDT banned except for disease vector control
- ❑ DDT 70 $\mu\text{g/l}$ in the serum of people living in countries where DDT was used to treat malaria, and in milk and adipose tissue at levels $>2\text{--}3$ ng/kg in China.
- ❑ OCPs are detected in human breast milk and adipose tissue
- ❑ Estrogenic, antiestrogenic, or antiandrogenic activity

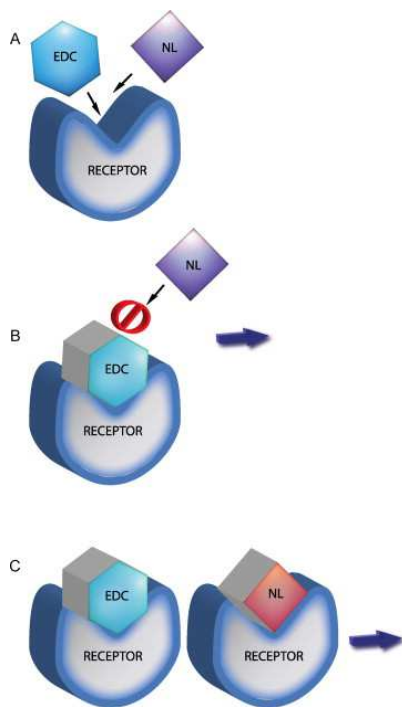


Principles of Endocrine Disruptor Action (same as principles of hormone action)



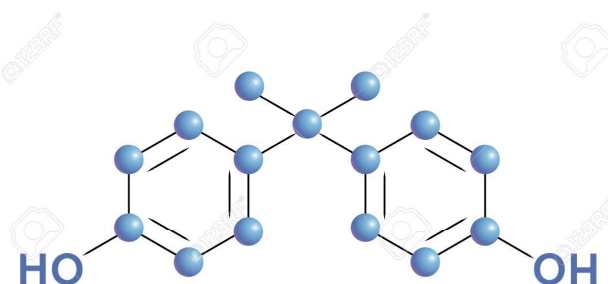
- ☐ EDCs act via **receptors**
- ☐ EDC responses are **tissue specific**
- ☐ EDC effects are sexually dimorphic
- ☐ EDCs act at **low doses** throughout the lifespan
- ☐ EDCs effects are **life-stage specific**: effects in adults but development is most sensitive lifestage

Mode of action



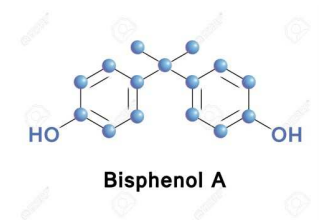
- **Mimic or partly mimic** naturally occurring hormones in the body like estrogens , androgens, and thyroid hormones.
- Bind to a receptor within a cell and **block** the endogenous hormone from binding (anti-estrogens and anti-androgens).
- **Interfere or block** the way natural hormones or their receptors are made or controlled, for example, by altering their metabolism in the liver.

ENDOCRINE DISRUPTING CHEMICAL SPOTLIGHT: BISPHENOL-A (BPA)



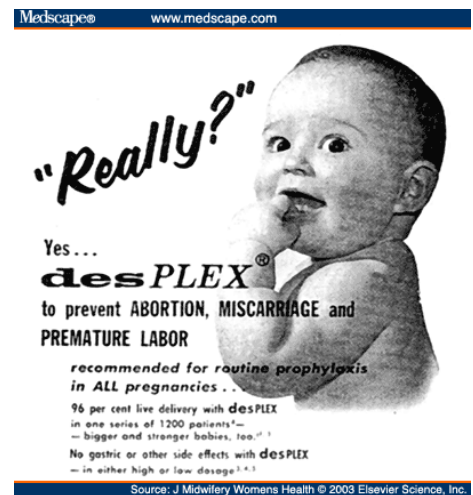
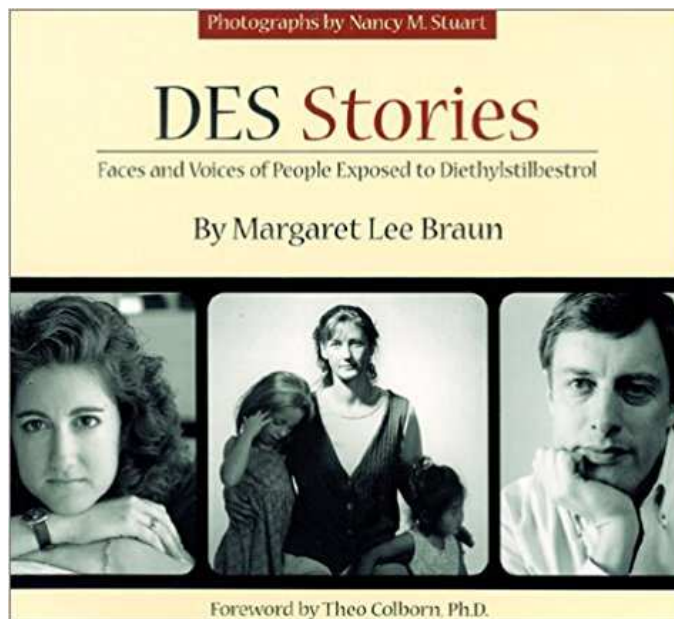
Bisphenol A

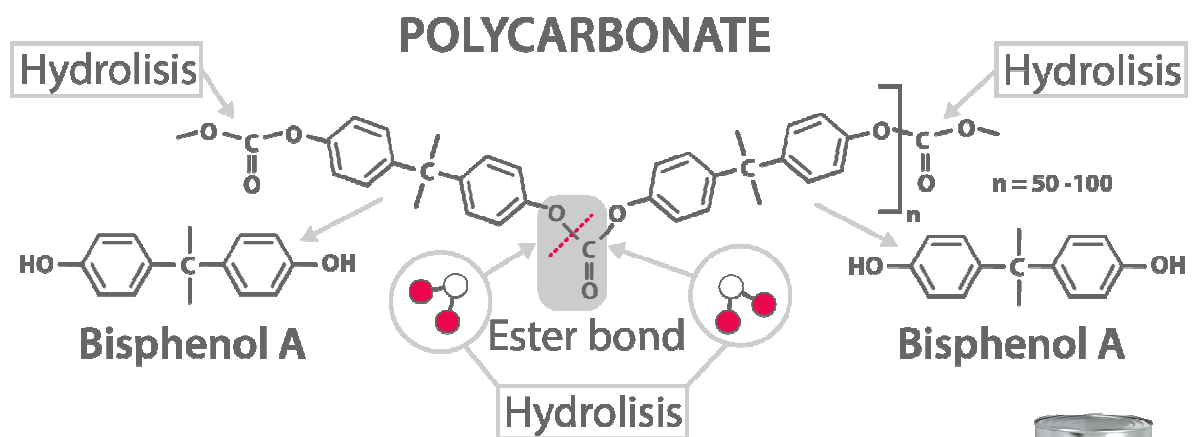
About bisphenol-A....



- ❑ Bisphenol A was discovered in 1891 by Russian chemist [Aleksandr Dianin](#)
- ❑ In the early 1930s, the British biochemist [Edward Charles Dodds](#) tested BPA as an artificial estrogen, but eventually developed [diethylstilbestrol \(DES\)](#) and found it to be more potent.
- ❑ 1940s and 1950s, the chemical industry discovered that BPA was an [excellent hardener for epoxy resins and plastic polycarbonate](#)
- ❑ Estimated use per year of 6 billion pounds—used in consumer products
- ❑ Effects on the endocrine system occur at very low doses

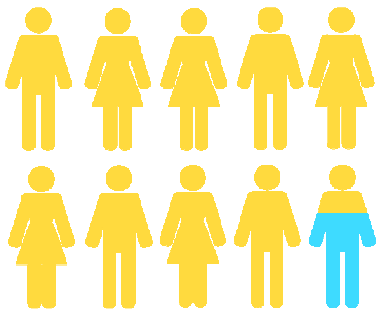
- ❑ “DES Daughters”, are at an increased risk for clear cell adenocarcinoma (CCA) of the vagina and cervix, reproductive tract structural differences, pregnancy complications, and infertility.





Adapted from Welshons, W. V. et al. Endocrinology 2006





BISPHEMOL-A is
found in **urine** of
93% US citizens

(Calafat et al, EHP 2008)

BISPHEMOL-A
exposure levels
on humans

**0.07–12 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$
bw/day**

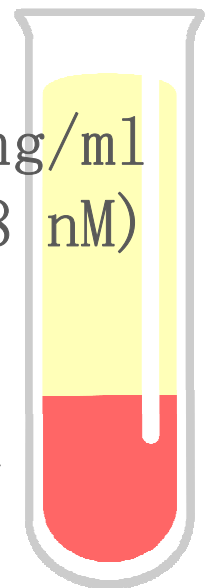
(Joint Research Center. Institute for
Health and Consumer Protection. European
Commission)



**0.3–4 ng/ml
(1.3–18 nM)**

Unconjugated
BISPHEMOL-A
concentration
in **human serum**
from adult men and women

(Vandenberg et al, EHP 2010)

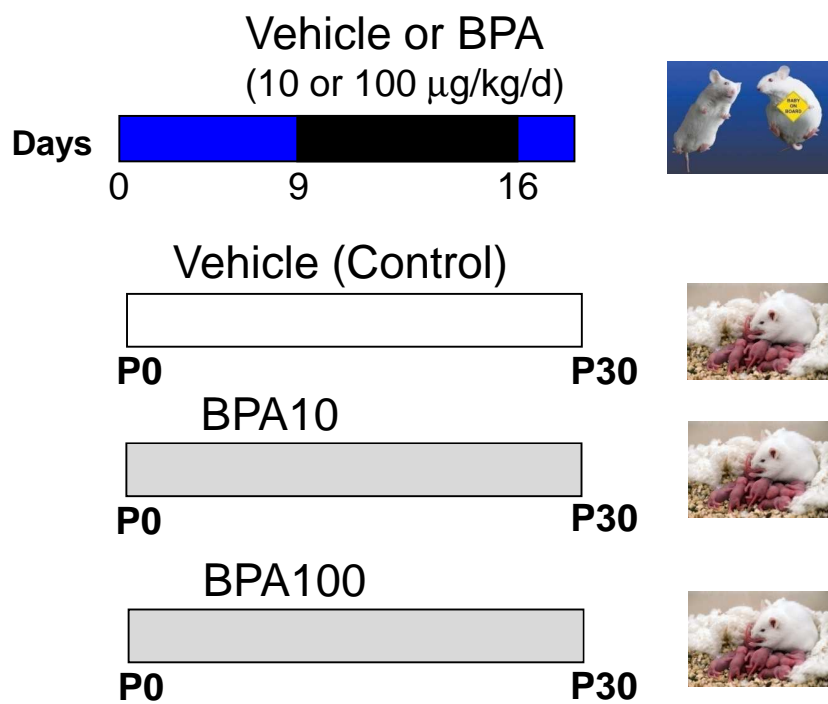




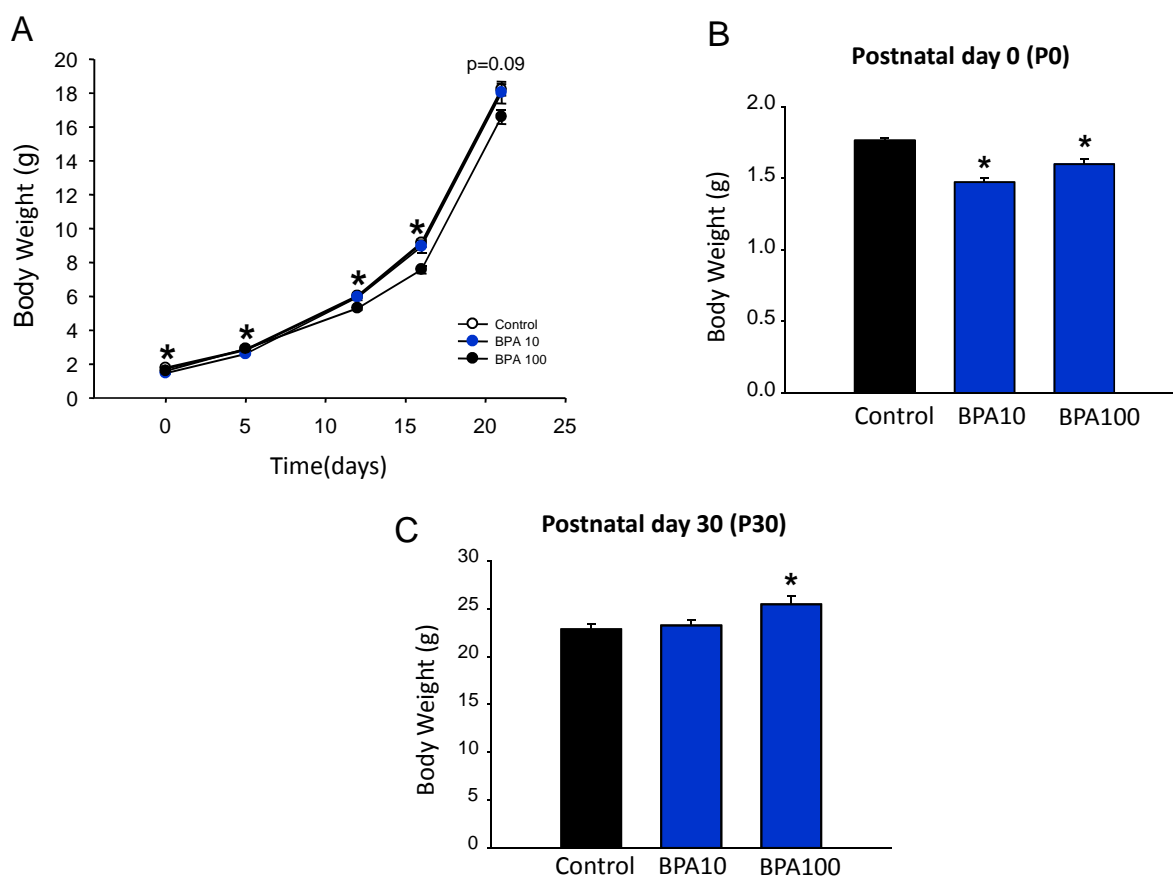
PREGNANCY

AS A SENSITIVE WINDOW
FOR THE OFFSPRING

End points measured in offspring

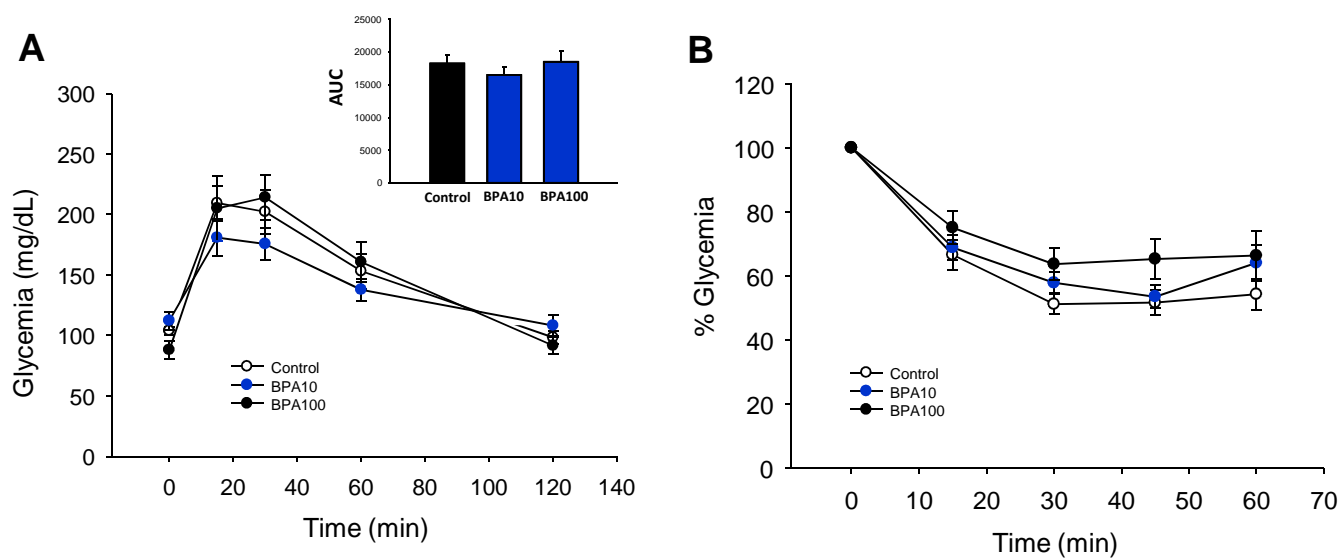


Evolution of body weight



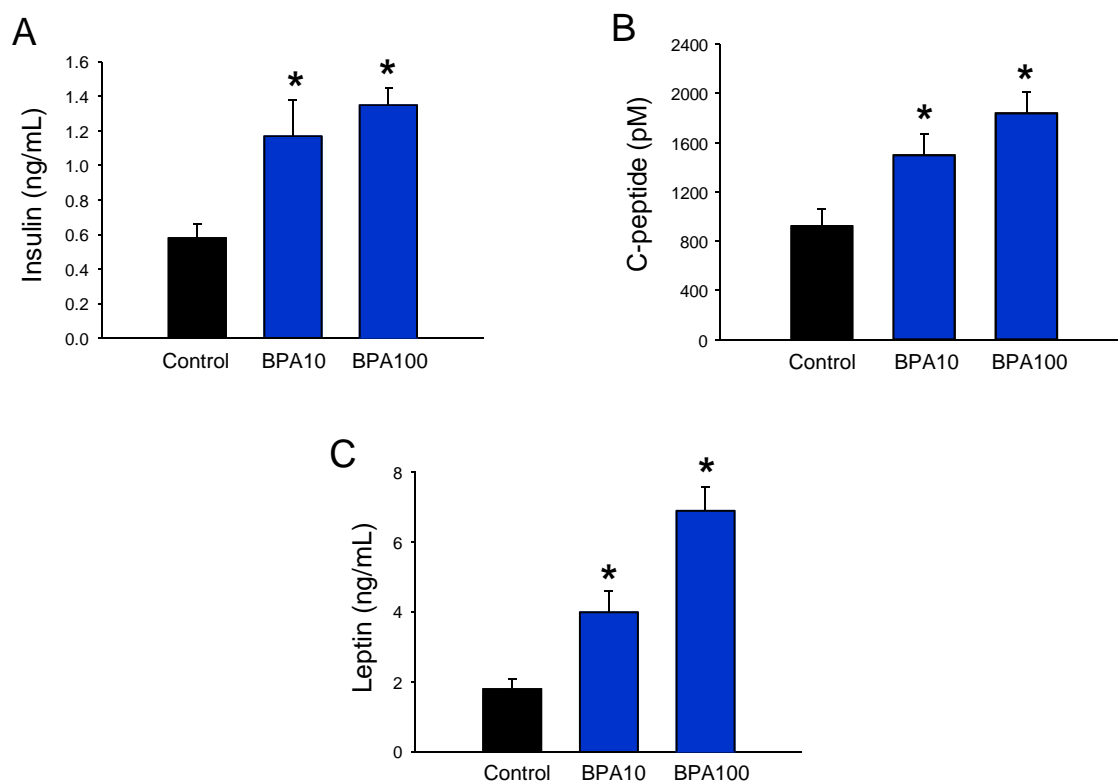
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Glucose and insulin sensitivity in P30 animals

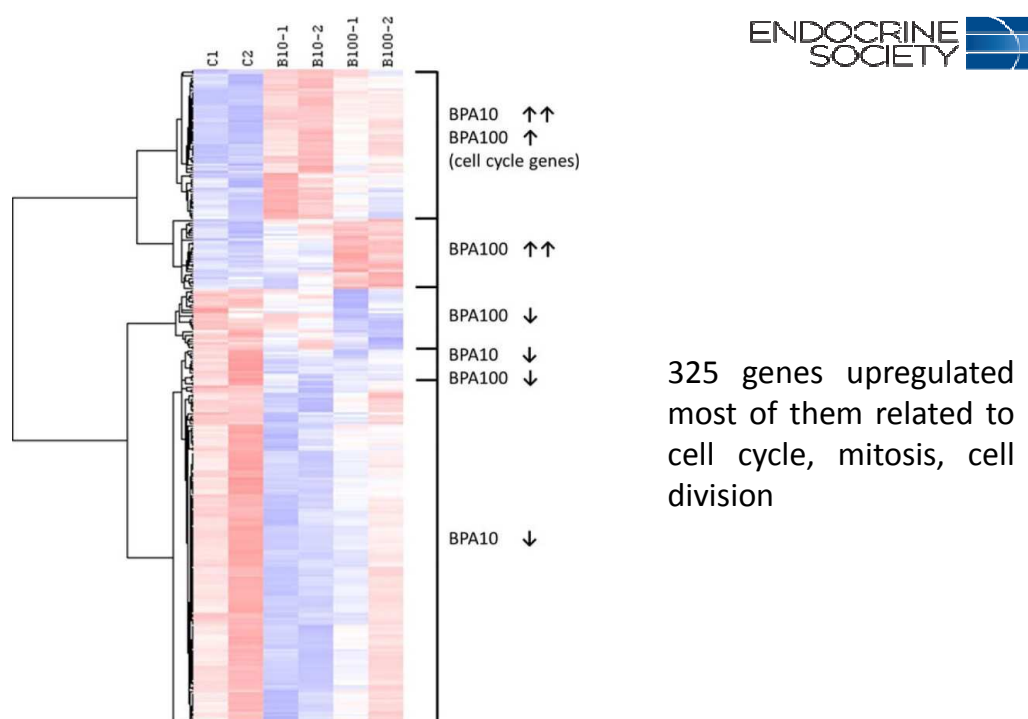


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Hyperinsulinemia and hyperleptinemia in BPA-mice at P30

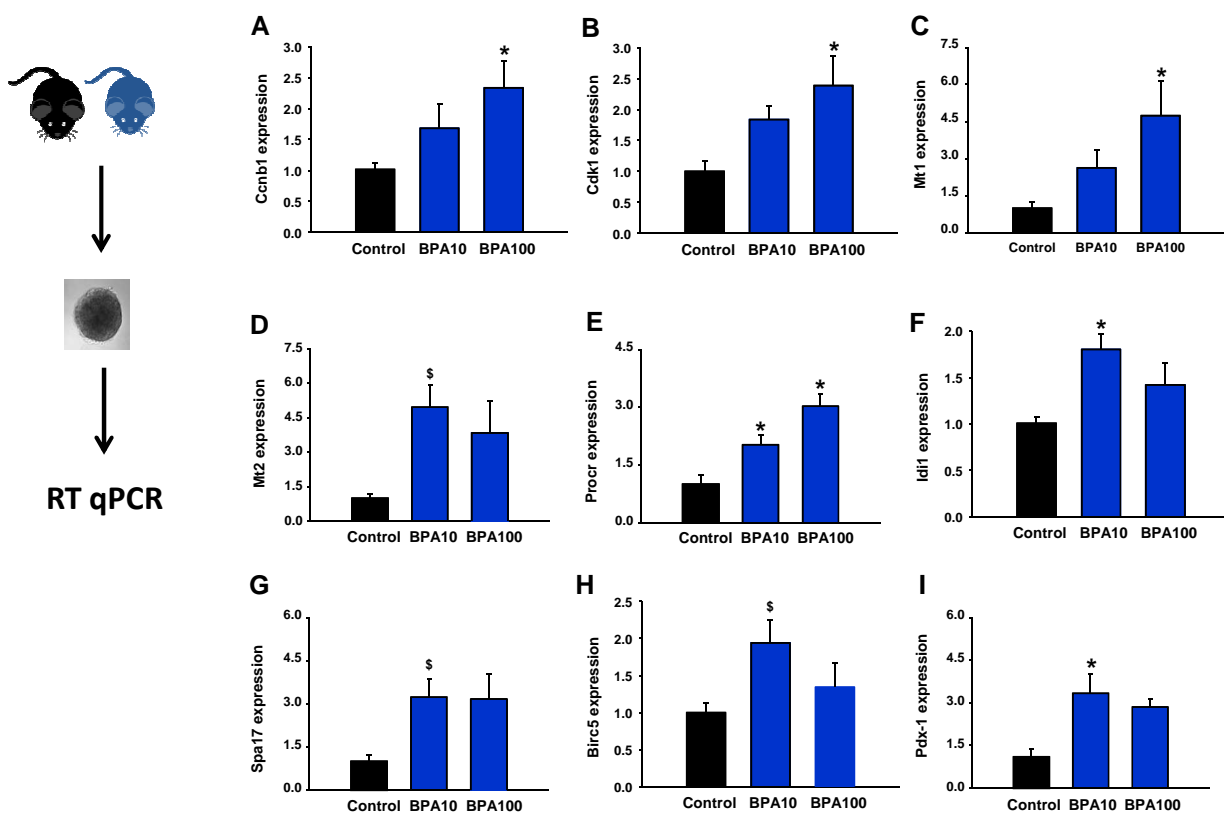


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The gene cluster representations illustrate the changes in gene expression in pancreatic islets from controls, BPA10, and BPA100 mice (intense blue indicates the lowest expression and intense red, the highest expression). Genes were clustered according to their pattern of expression across the different samples analyzed. The arrows indicate whether genes were up-regulated (↑) or down-regulated (↓) in the BPA10 and BPA100 samples with respect to the control samples.

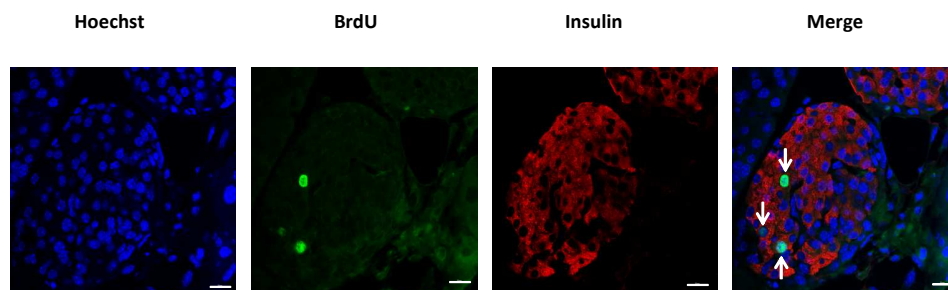
Upregulated gene expression of cell cycle-related genes in P30 BPA mice



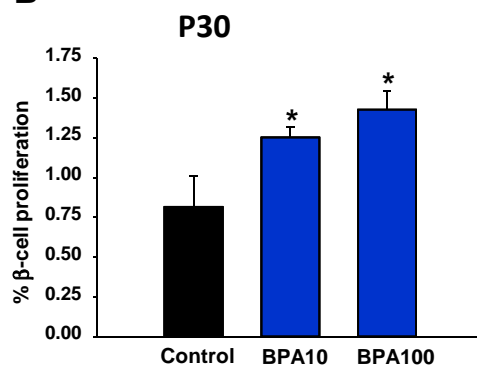
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Increased pancreatic β -cell proliferation, decreased apoptosis in BPA mice at P30

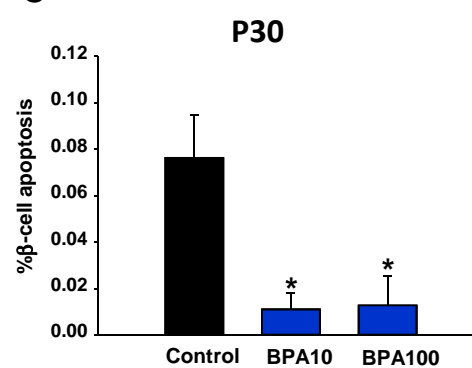
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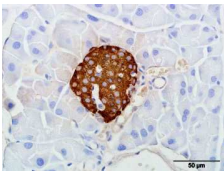
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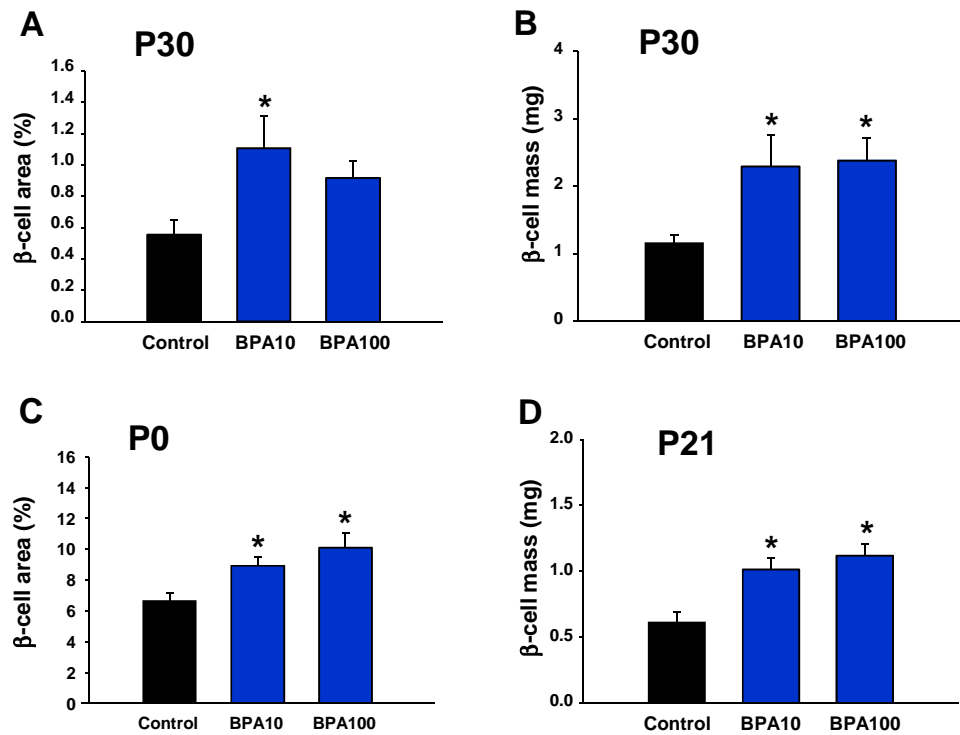


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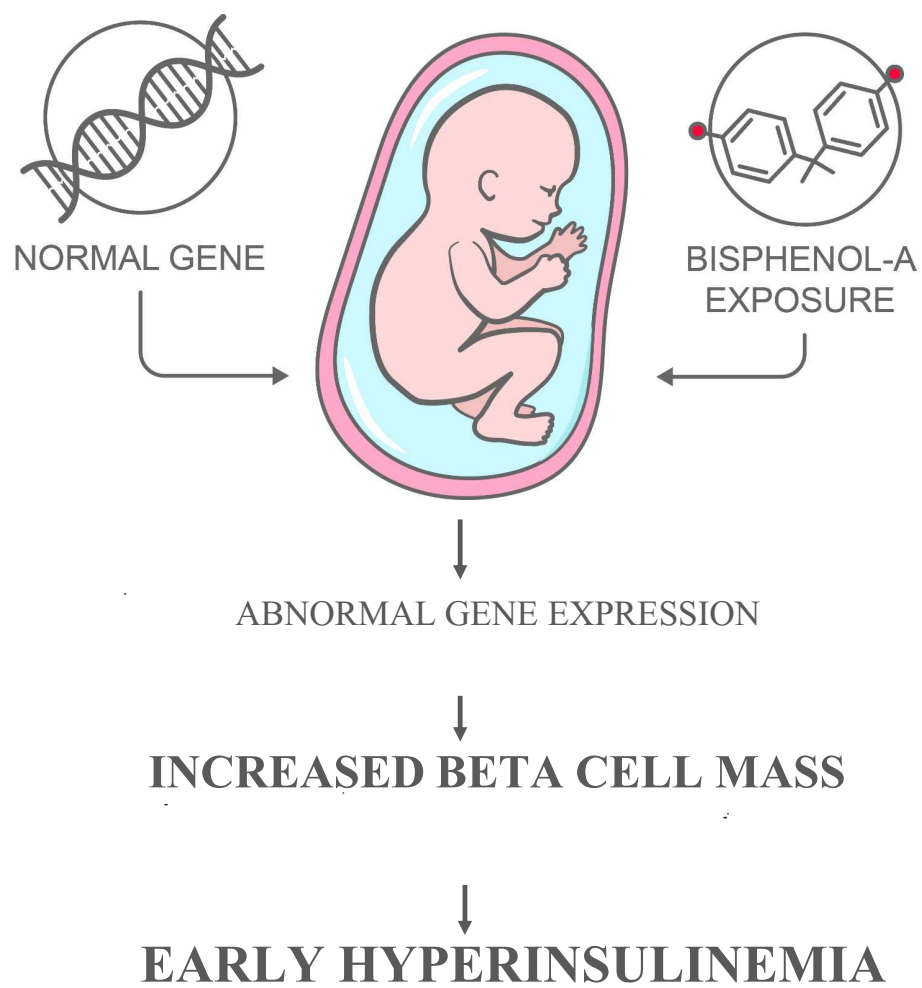


**Quantification of
pancreatic
 β -cell mass**

Increased pancreatic β -cell mass



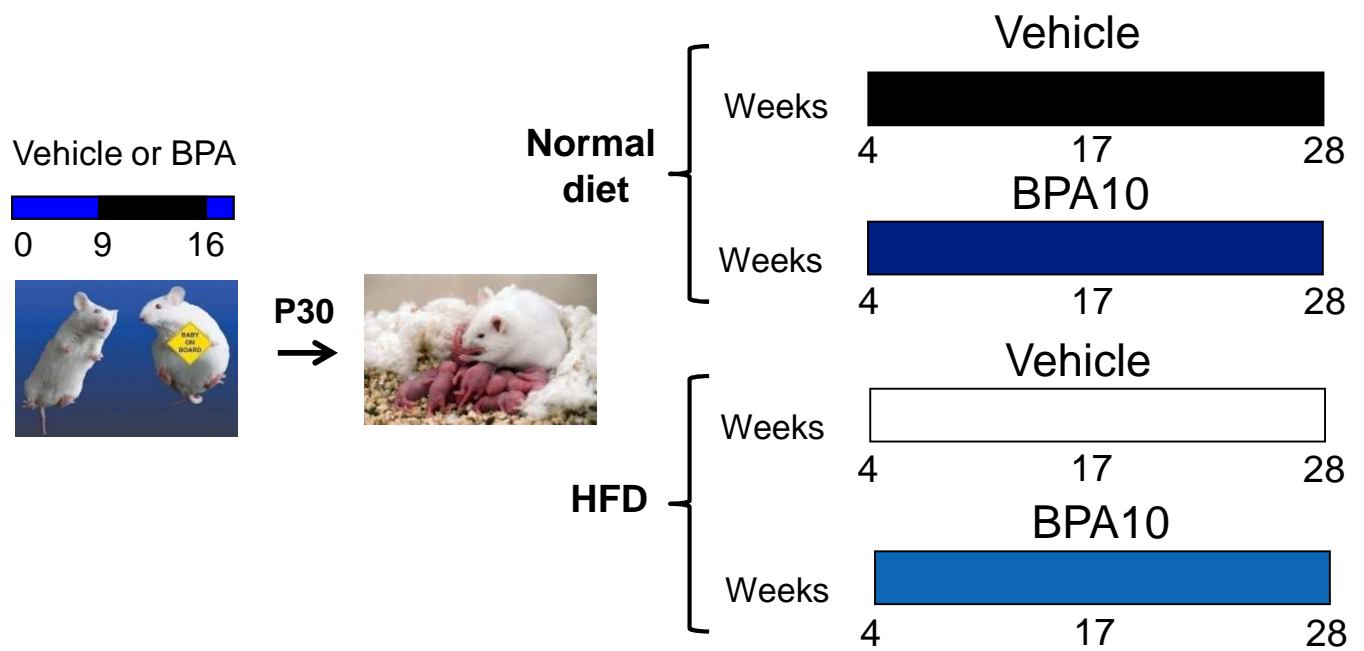
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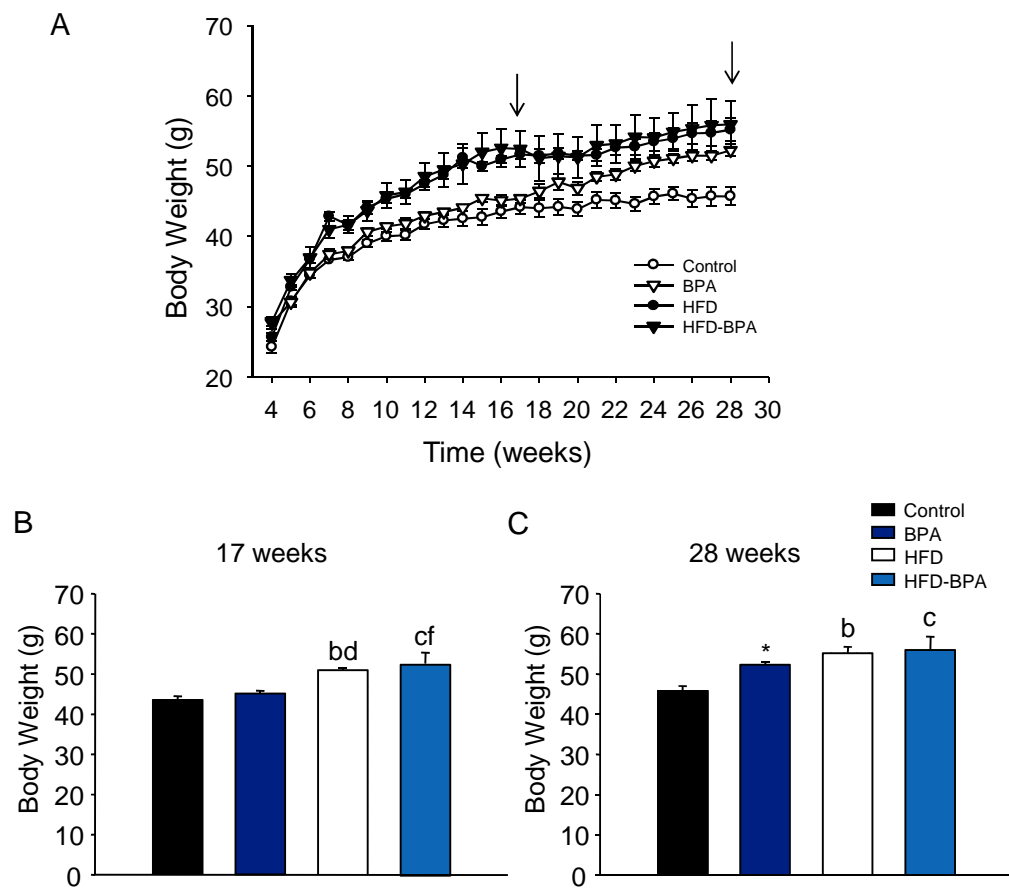




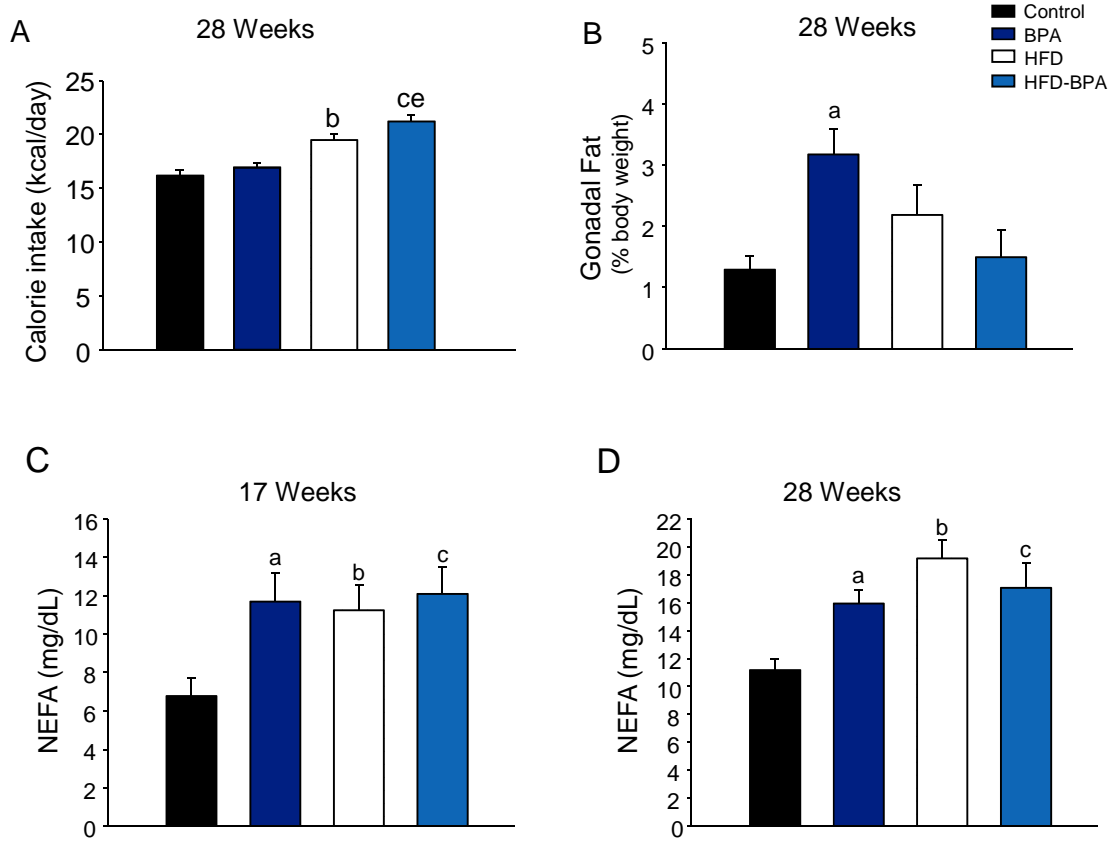
LONG-TERM CONSEQUENCES?

End points measured in offspring



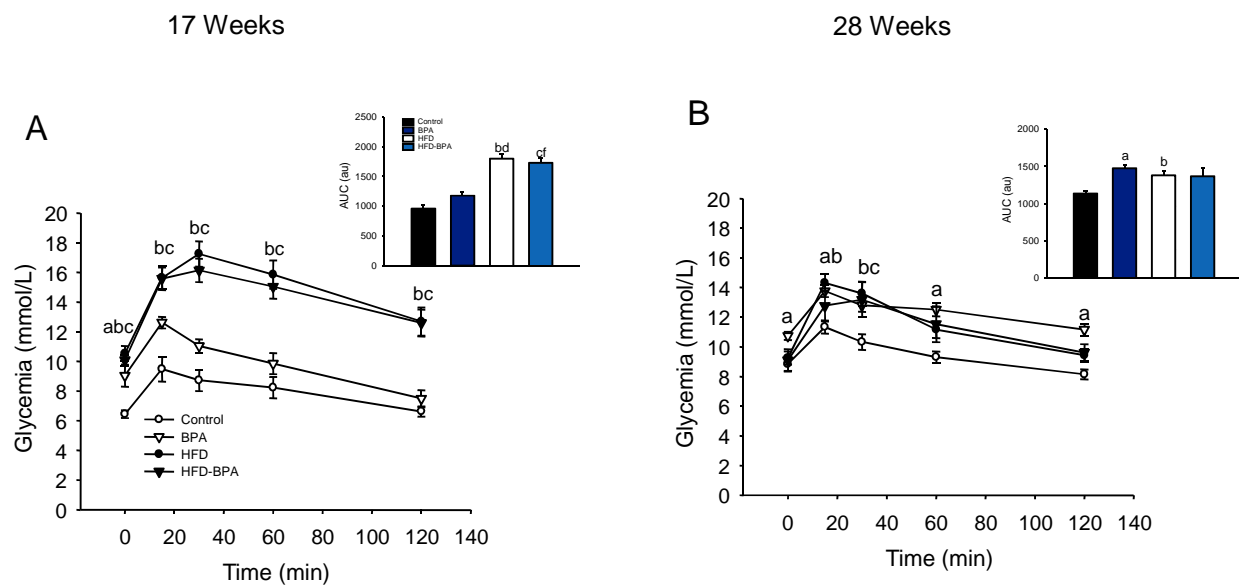


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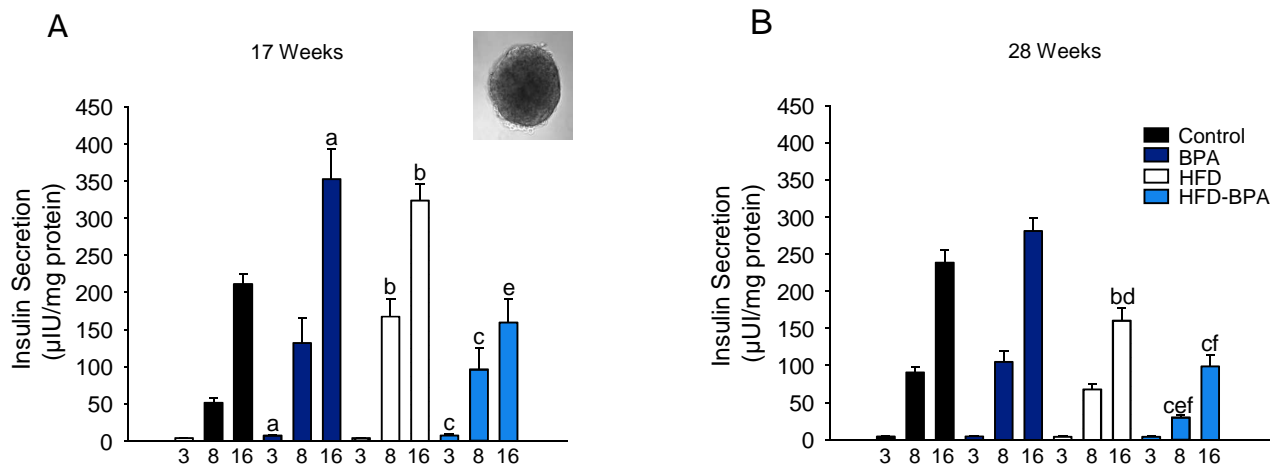
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BPA provoked glucose intolerance in a similar manner than HFD



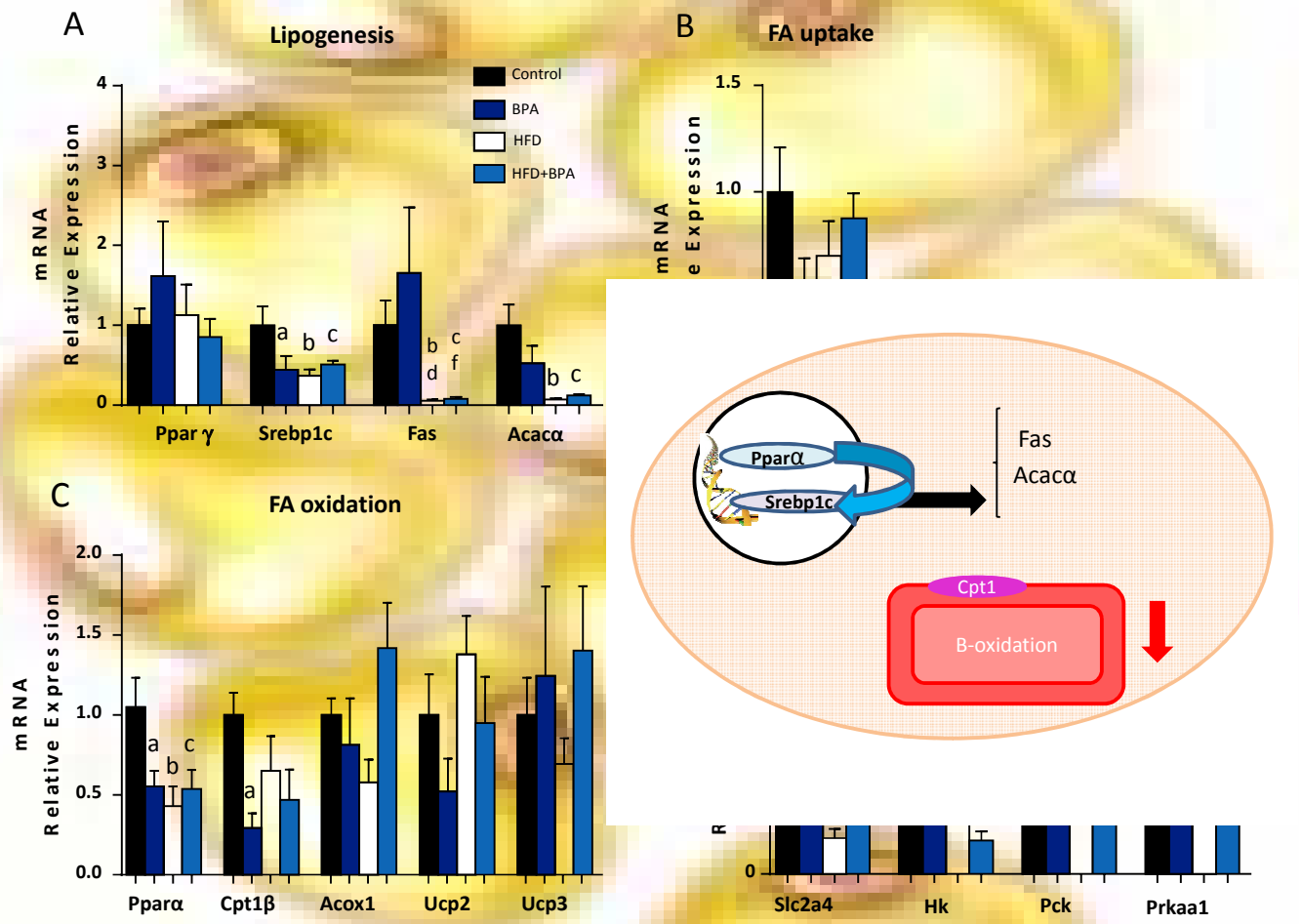
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Glucose-stimulated insulin secretion: altered pancreatic β -cell function

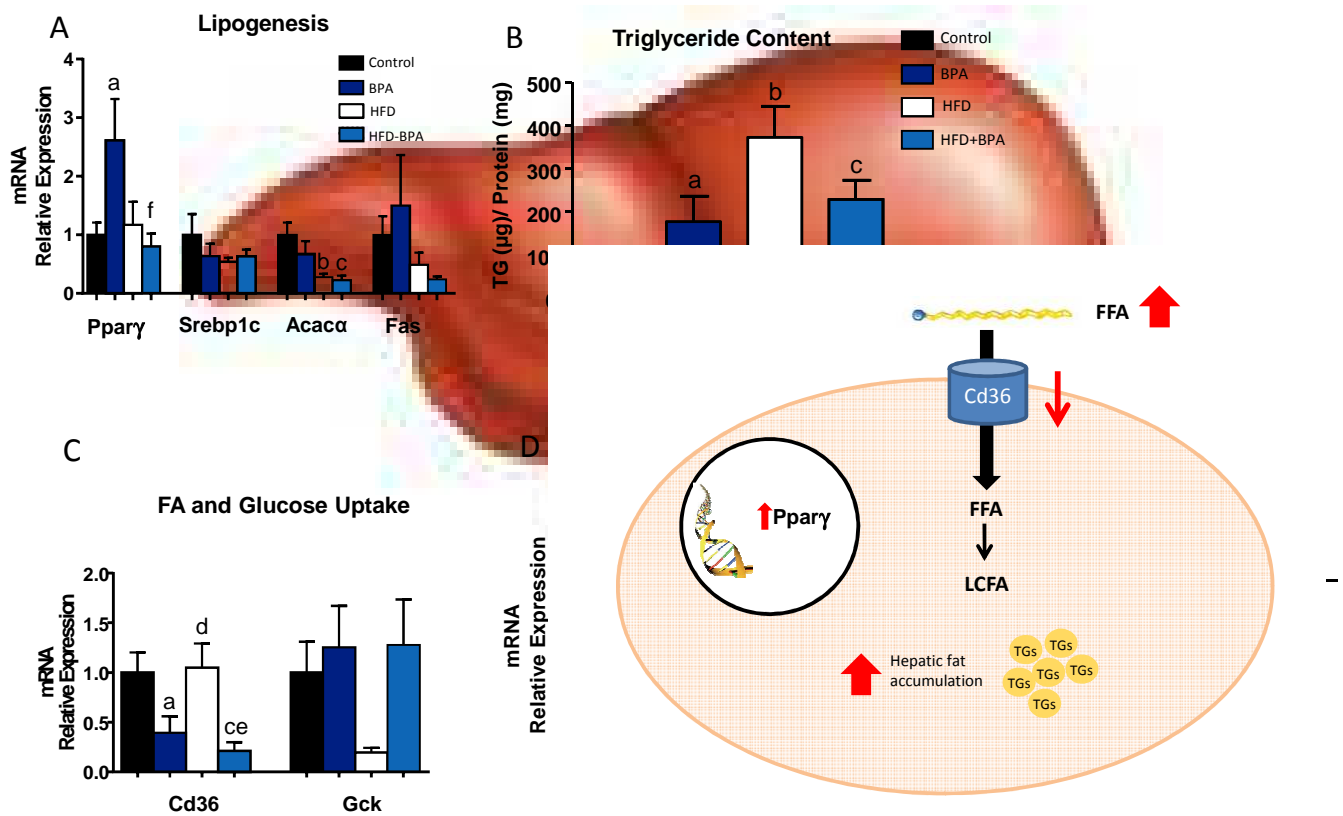


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White Adipose Tissue

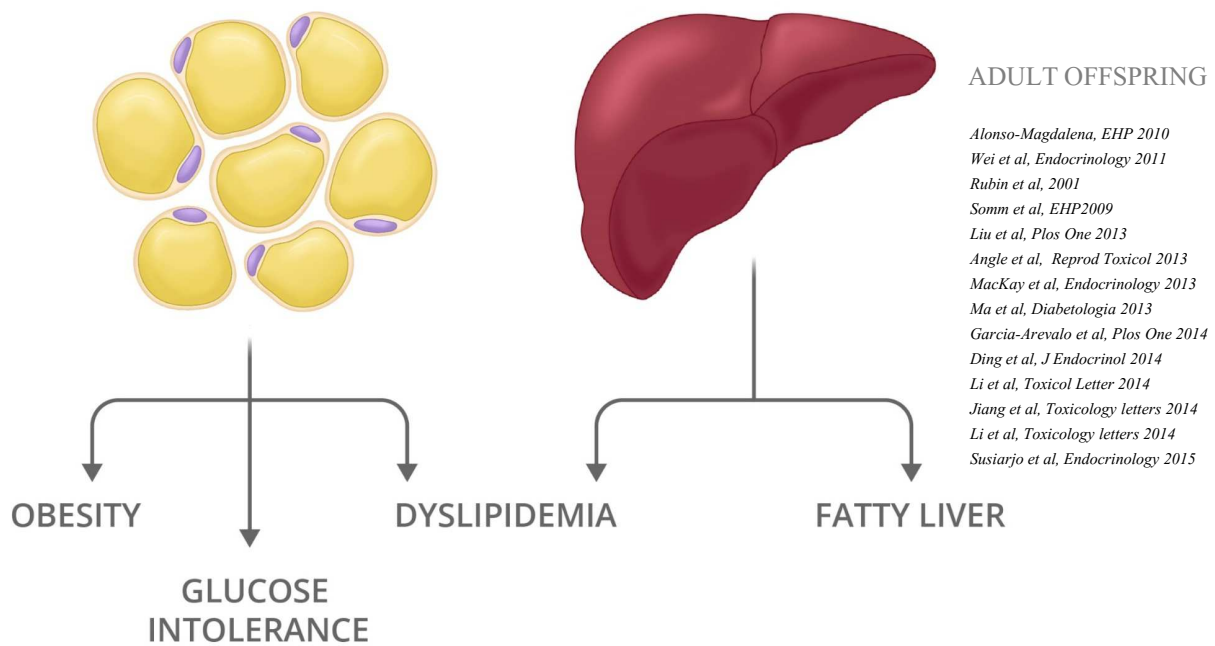


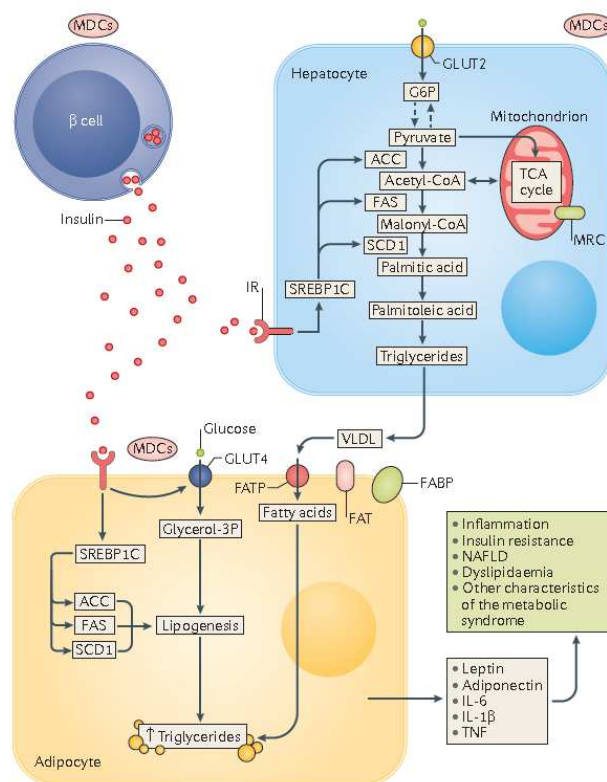
Liver



García-Arévalo et al, PlosOne 2014

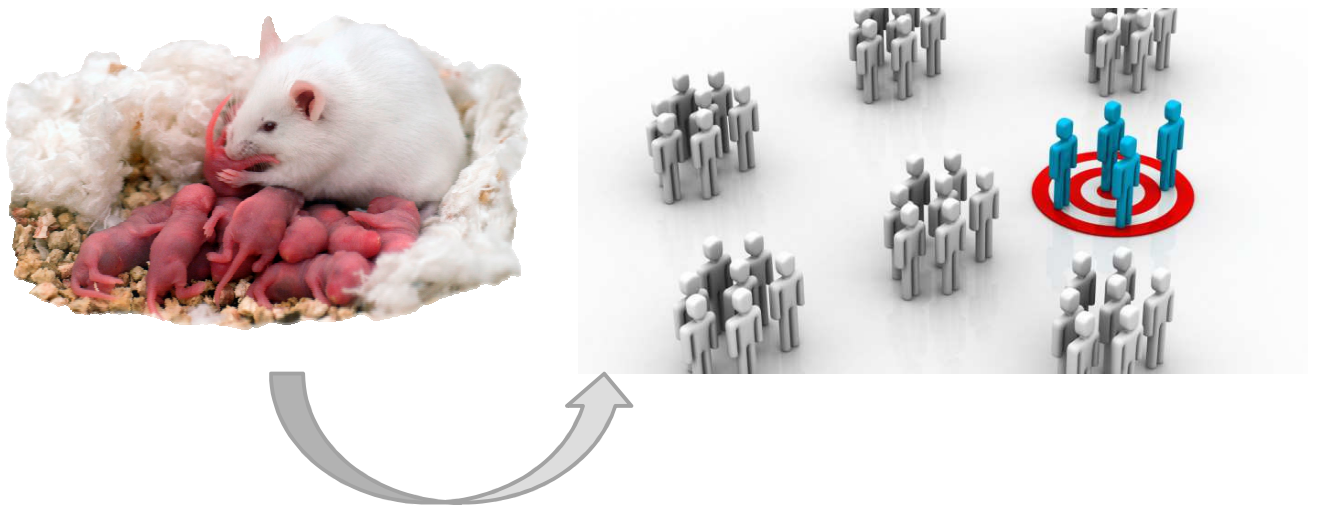
Early Hyperinsulinemia





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LINKING EDCs DIABETES AND/OR OBESITY**



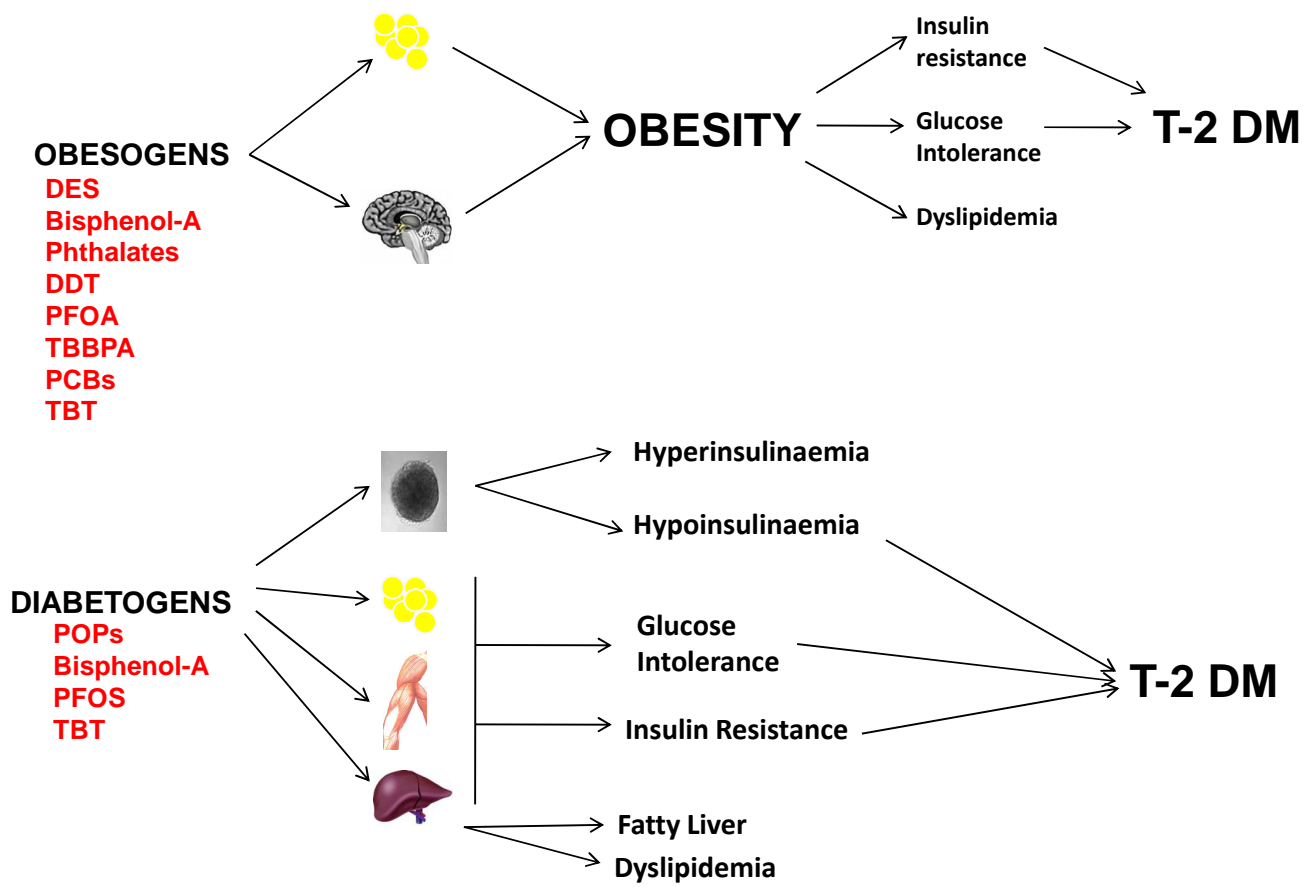
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- Hormone sensitive cancers

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OF HORMONE SCIENCE TO HEALTH

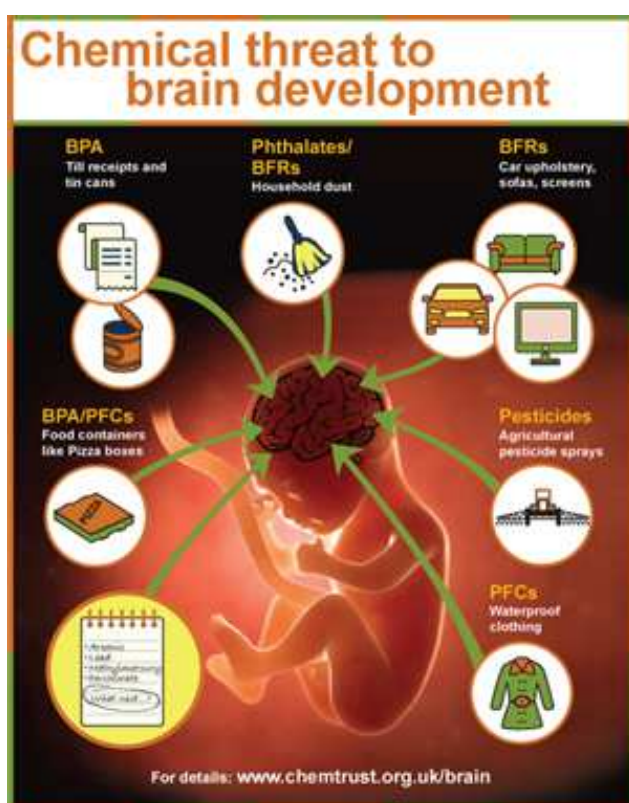


These three scientific societies, as scientific and medical professional societies, recognize that EDs contribute to serious health problems such as **diabetes, obesity and neurodevelopmental and reproductive disorders**



No Brainer

The impact of chemicals on children's brain development:
a cause for concern and a need for action

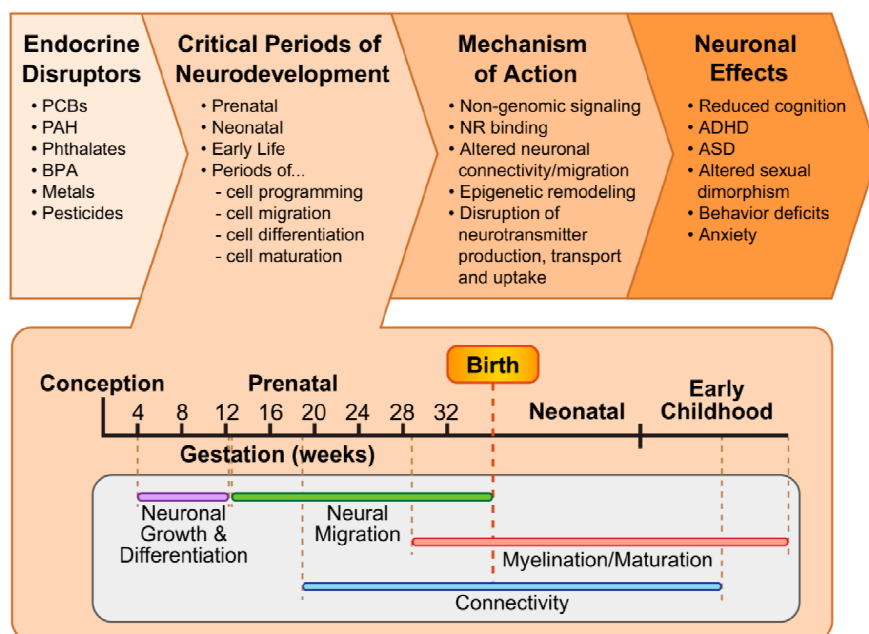


Lead, methylmercury, and PCBs associated with adverse effects on child's developing brain and nervous system in multiple studies.

The National Toxicology Program (NTP) childhood exposure is associated with **reduced cognitive function**, including lower intelligence quotient (IQ) and reduced academic achievement, **attention-related behavioral problems** (including inattention, hyperactivity, and diagnosed attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder)

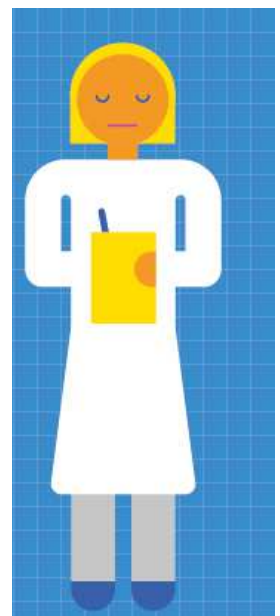
Table 1. Environmental chemicals associated with impaired neurodevelopment outcomes.

Chemical	Commercial Use	Neurodevelopmental Effects	Potential Mechanism	References
Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)	coolants, plasticizers, and flame retardants	impaired learning, memory, and IQ as well as behavioral deficits such as inattention and impulsiveness	altered neuronal connectivity, thyroid hormone disruption	20–28
Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)	result from incomplete fossil fuel combustion	lower mental development index, negative associations with IQ, adverse effects on fetal growth, cognitive development, and behavioral disorders	AHR cross-talk and activation	29–42
Phthalates	plasticizers, adhesives, personal care products	impaired concentration in girls, diminished motor function and masculine behavior in boys	inhibition of testosterone synthesis	43–50
Bisphenol A (BPA)	plastics and epoxy resins	aggression, hyperactivity, anxiety, social behavior neurodevelopment, cognition, impaired cortisol metabolism	estrogenic effects, non-specific signaling pathways	54–60
Metals	many commercial applications	neurodevelopment, cognition, impaired cortisol metabolism	alteration of sex hormone levels, non-direct effects	14, 61–71
Pesticides	pest deterrent, biocide	lower mental developmental index, attention deficits, reduced childhood IQ	alteration of inhibitory/excitation, disruption of thyroid hormones, iodine uptake disruption	72–88



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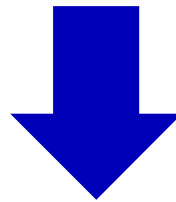
MOVING FROM RESEARCH TO PREVENTION!!



Good News: Windows of Susceptibility are also Windows of Prevention



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Reduce **exposures to environmental chemicals** prior to
and during **pregnancy**

Suggestions for Reducing Exposures to Chemicals Linked to Adverse Health Effects

Food and Water

- ✓ Don't microwave polycarbonate plastic food containers or use them for storing hot liquids
- ✓ Avoid plastic containers designated #3, #6, and #7
- ✓ Eat fresh and frozen foods while reducing consumption of canned and processed foods
- ✓ Opt for glass, porcelain, or stainless steel containers when possible, especially for hot food and drinks
- ✓ Prepare more meals at home and emphasize fresh ingredients
- ✓ Wash fruits and vegetables before consuming them
- ✓ Consider using a water filter
- ✓ If possible, purchase organic produce, meat, and dairy products
- ✓ Eat a diversified diet with plenty of variety



CÓDIGOS DE IDENTIFICACIÓN DE RESINAS DE PLÁSTICO

						
PETE PET	HDPE PEAD	PVC V	LDPE PELD	PP	PS	O OTROS
POLIETILENO TEREFTALATO	POLIETILENO DE ALTA	POLICLORURO DE VINILO	POLIETILENO DE BAJA	POLIPROPILENO	POLIESTIRENO	OTROS

PRODUCTOS PLÁSTICOS MÁS SEGUROS 2, 4 y 5



Las botellas marcadas con el código 1. PET o PETE se deben utilizar solamente una vez, después podrían desprender DEHP, un ftalato tóxico.

PLÁSTICOS QUE HAY QUE EVITAR 3, 6 y 7



PVC o vinilos
pueden contener
ftalatos y bisfenol-A

espuma de
poliestireno

puede contener
bisfenol-A

Personal Care

- ✓ Read labels and avoid products containing phthalates
- ✓ Choose products labeled “Phthalate-Free” and “BPA-Free”
- ✓ Avoid fragrances and opt for cosmetics labeled “no synthetic fragrance”, “scented only with essential oils”, or “phthalate-free”
- ✓ Wash your hands often, especially before preparing and eating food
- ✓ Minimize handling of receipts and thermal paper

For Children

- ✓ Avoid hand-me-down plastic toys
- ✓ Opt for infant formula bottles and toys that are labeled “BPA-Free”

Exercise and Activity

- ✓ Check air quality in your area [<https://airnow.gov>]
- ✓ Avoid outdoor exercise when pollution levels are high
- ✓ Avoid exercise near high traffic areas. Instead, choose routes away from busy roads and vehicles



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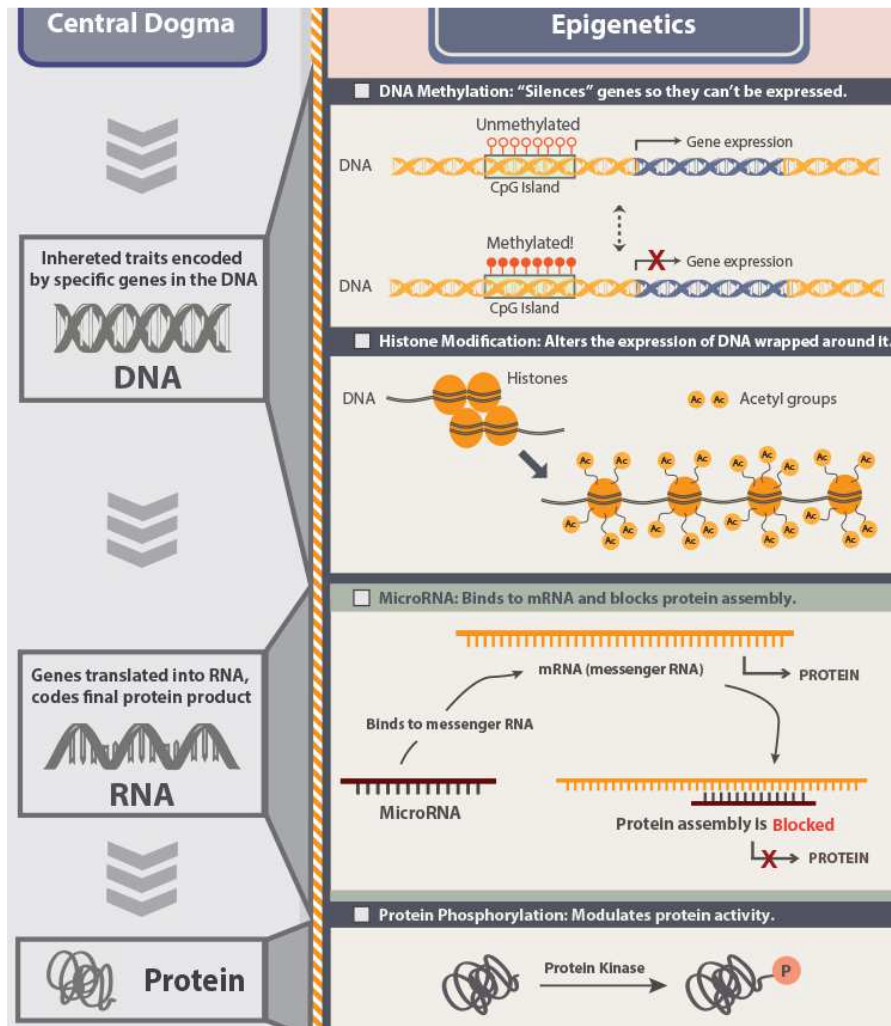
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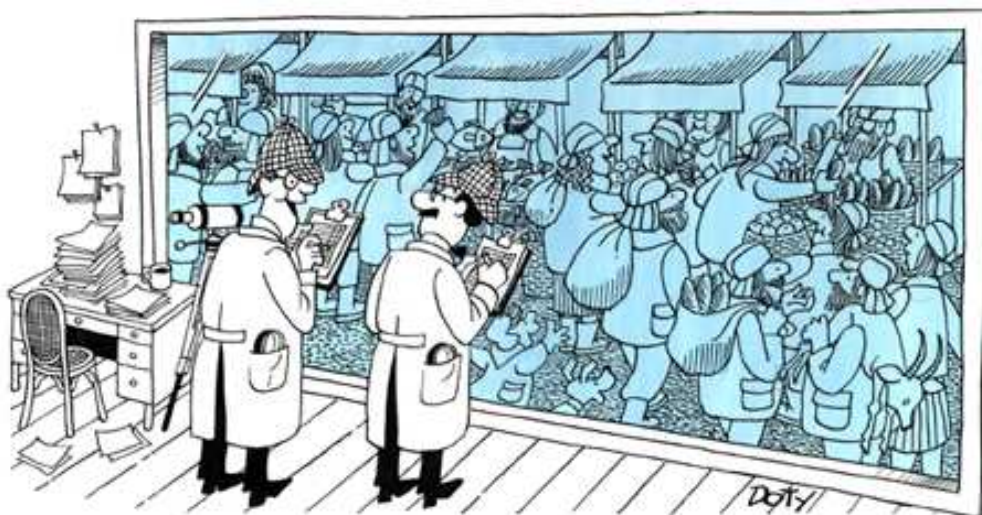
"We have the sacred right and obligation to ensure that our decision-making is guided by consideration of the welfare and well being of the seventh generation to come."

An aerial photograph showing a dense, expansive forest of palm trees, likely a date palm grove, stretching across a valley. In the background, a small town or village is visible, followed by rolling hills under a clear sky. The word "GRACIAS" is superimposed in large, black, serif capital letters across the center of the palm forest.

GRACIAS



BPA AND METABOLIC DISORDERS: EPIDEMIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE



"These studies always remind me of an ant colony I had as a kid!"

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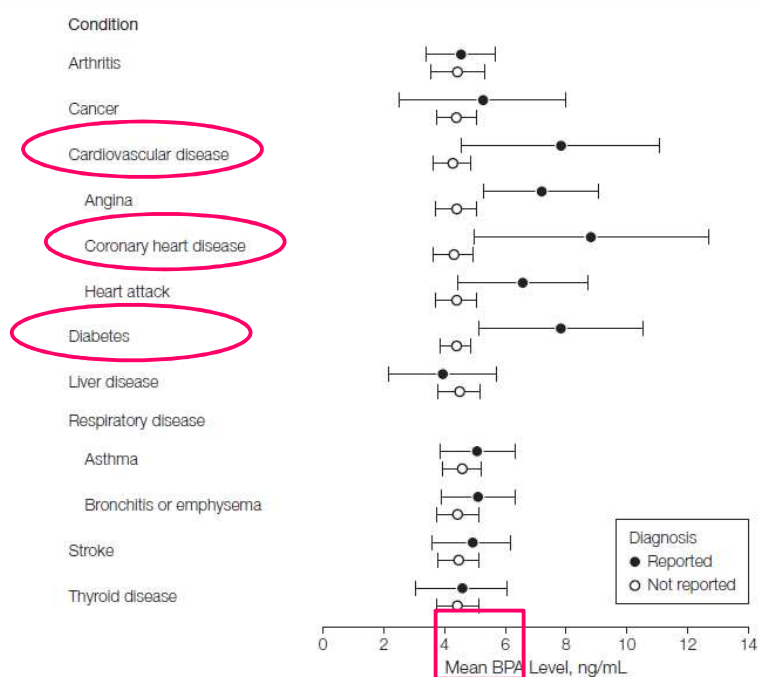
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Association of Urinary Bisphenol A Concentration With Medical Disorders and Laboratory Abnormalities in Adults

Estimated Mean Bisphenol A (BPA) Concentrations in Relation to Reported Diseases and Conditions

Figure. Estimated Mean Bisphenol A (BPA) Concentrations in Relation to Reported Diseases and Conditions



Estimates adjusted for age and sex. Error bars indicate 95% confidence intervals.

CONCLUSIONS

Using data representative of the adult US population, we found that higher urinary concentrations of BPA were associated with an increased prevalence of cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and liver-enzyme abnormalities. These findings add to the evidence suggesting adverse effects of low-dose BPA in animals.

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Urinary Bisphenol A and Type-2 Diabetes in U.S. Adults: Data from NHANES 2003-2008

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Conclusions: Although higher urinary BPA was associated with elevated HbA1c and T2DM in the pooled analysis, it was driven by data from only one NHANES cycle. Additional studies, especially of a longitudinal design with repeated BPA measurements, are needed to further elucidate the association between BPA and T2DM.

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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Relationship between Urinary Bisphenol A Levels and Diabetes Mellitus

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TABLE 2. Association between urinary BPA and diabetes mellitus

BPA quartiles (ng/ml)	Sample size (diabetes %)	Age-, sex-adjusted, OR (95% CI)	Multivariable-adjusted, OR (95% CI) ^a
Quartile 1 (<1.10)	1121 (8.3)	1 (referent)	1 (referent)
Quartile 2 (1.10–2.10)	905 (10.8)	1.55 (1.19–2.02)	1.42 (1.03–1.96)
Quartile 3 (2.11–4.20)	977 (11.2)	1.60 (1.25–2.05)	1.48 (1.05–2.08)
Quartile 4 (>4.20)	964 (12.8)	1.81 (1.36–2.43)	1.68 (1.22–2.30)
p-trend		<0.0001	0.002

^a Adjusted for age (years), gender, race-ethnicity (non-Hispanic whites, non-Hispanic blacks, Mexican-Americans, others), education categories (below high school, high school, above high school), smoking (never, former, current), alcohol intake (never, former, current), BMI (normal, overweight, obese), systolic and diastolic blood pressure (mm Hg), urinary creatinine (mg/dl), and total cholesterol (mg/dl).

TABLE 3. Association between urinary BPA and diabetes mellitus by BMI

BPA quartiles (ng/ml)	Sample size	Normal weight	Overweight/obese
		Multivariable-adjusted, OR (95% CI) ^a	Multivariable-adjusted, OR (95% CI) ^a
Quartile 1 (<1.10)	408	1 (referent)	1 (referent)
Quartile 2 (1.10–2.10)	276	2.75 (1.03–7.33)	1.27 (0.90–1.79)
Quartile 3 (2.11–4.20)	272	2.14 (0.79–5.81)	1.41 (1.00–1.98)
Quartile 4 (>4.20)	283	3.17 (1.23–8.18)	1.56 (1.09–2.24)
p-trend		0.03	0.01

^a Adjusted for age (years), gender, race-ethnicity (non-Hispanic whites, non-Hispanic blacks, Mexican-Americans, others), education categories (below high school, high school, above high school), smoking (never, former, current), alcohol intake (never, former, current), systolic and diastolic blood pressure (mm Hg), urinary creatinine (mg/dl), and total cholesterol (mg/dl).

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Relationship between urinary bisphenol A levels and prediabetes among subjects free of diabetes

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Sex differences in the association of urinary bisphenol-A concentration with selected indices of glucose homeostasis among U.S. adults

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Results: Taking the first quartile as a referent, the third quartile of BPA level was positively associated with log-transformed level of insulin and β -cell function (homeostasis model assessment for β -cell function) as well as insulin resistance (log-transformed homeostasis model assessment for insulin resistance; homeostasis model assessment for insulin resistance ≥ 2.5), with significant BPA-by-sex interaction; these associations were stronger among males than among females. Irrespective of sex, the ratio of BPA-to-creatinine level was not predictive of indices of glucose homeostasis.

Bisphenol A and Adiposity in an Inner-City Birth Cohort*Lori A. Hoepner,^{1,2,3} Robin M. Whyatt,^{1,2} Elizabeth M. Widen,^{4,5,6,7} Abeer Hassoun,⁸ Sharon E. Oberfield,⁸ Noel T. Mueller,⁹ Diurka Diaz,^{1,2} Antonia M. Calafat,¹⁰ Frederica P. Perera,^{1,2} and Andrew G. Rundle^{1,2,4}*

Prenatal exposure to BPA positively associated with increased BMI and adiposity in children



Environmental Research

journal homepage: www.elsevier.com/locate/envres**Association of early life exposure to bisphenol A with obesity and cardiometabolic traits in childhood**Marina Vafeiadi^{a,*}, Theano Roumeliotaki^a, Antonis Myridakis^b, Georgia Chalkiadaki^a, Eleni Fthenou^a, Eirini Dermitzaki^c, Marianna Karachaliou^a, Katerina Sarri^a, Maria Vassilaki^a, Euripides G. Stephanou^b, Manolis Kogevinas^{d,e,f}, Leda Chatzi^a



Association Between Urinary Bisphenol Concentration and Obesity Prevalence in Children and Adolescents

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Urinary Bisphenol A Level in Relation to Obesity and

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Urinary Bisphenol A and Obesity in US Children

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RESEARCH

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Association between bisphenol A exposure and body mass index in Chinese school children: a cross-sectional study

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Association between Urinary Bisphenol A and Waist Circumference in Korean Adults

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Research Article

Urinary Bisphenol A Levels and Measures of Obesity:

BPA levels in adults associated with overweight and obesity

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Brief Report—Endocrine Research

Urinary Bisphenol A (BPA) Concentration Associates with Obesity and Insulin Resistance

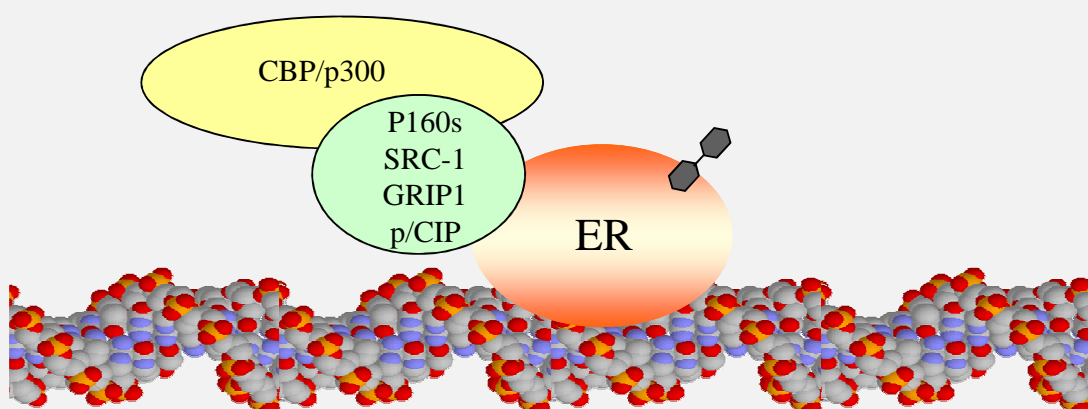
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☐ **Modes of action/causality/vulnerable phases**

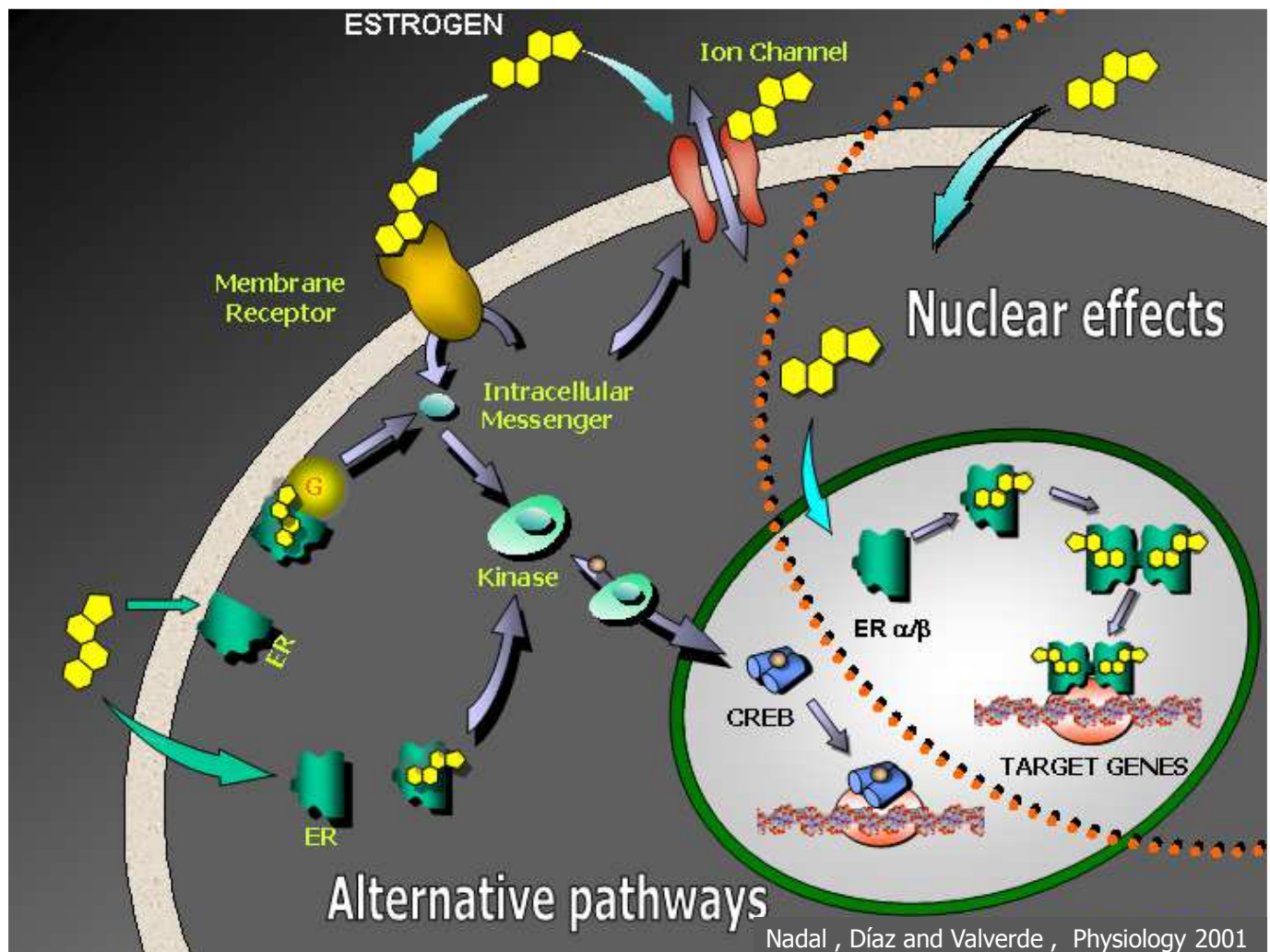
BASED ON EXISTING EVIDENCE, WE ARE CONFIDENT OF THE FOLLOWING:

- BPA can act as an **estrogen**
- **Timing of exposure** and exposure **dose/concentration** are critical
- The effects of BPA might be different in individual cell types and these effects can vary depending on intrinsic and extrinsic influences
- When BPA binds to classic nuclear estrogen receptors and induce specific **ERE binding**, BPA is usually **less potent than estradiol**
- When BPA action is mediated by estrogen receptors **outside the nucleus**, its **potency is as high as that of estradiol**, ranging within the pico-nano molar concentrations
- BPA exerts pleiotropic cellular and tissue-type specific effects and **non-monotonic dose-response** at the cellular and intracellular level at low physiological relevant concentrations

The concept of estrogenicity of an exogenous chemical is based on the property of these compounds to bind $ER\alpha$ and $ER\beta$, and to act subsequently as transcription factors when binding to the ERE in the DNA



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In the case of EDCs, the dose does not make the poison

Hormones and Endocrine-Disrupting Chemicals: Low-Dose Effects and Nonmonotonic Dose Responses

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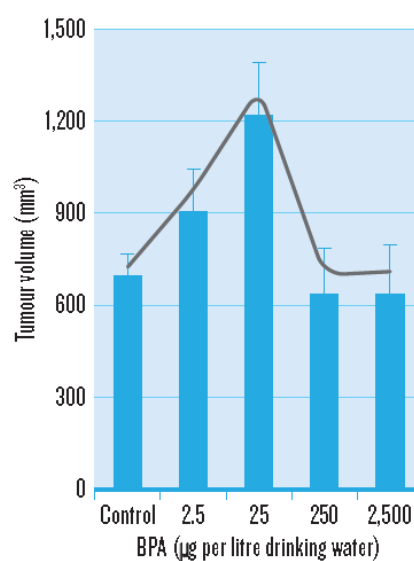
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NEWS FEATURE

THE LEARNING CURVE

NON-MONOTONIC CURVES

Mice exposed to moderate doses of bisphenol A develop the largest tumours. Moderate and high doses are thought to induce tumour-cell proliferation, but high doses also trigger cell death.



SOURCE: Jenkins, S. *et al. Environ. Health Perspect.* **119**, 1604–1609 (2011)



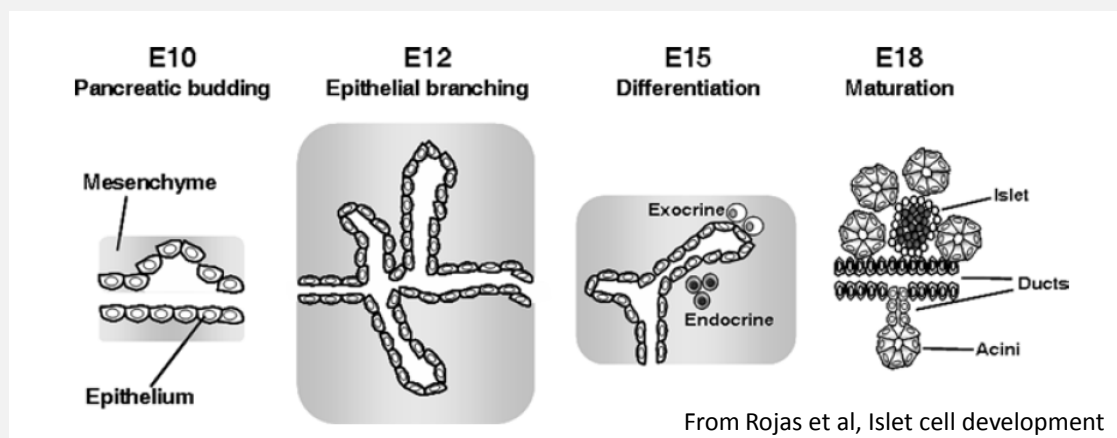
June 15, 2017

Dear Minister,

On behalf of The Endocrine Society, the European Society of Endocrinology and the European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology, representing the world's leaders in endocrinology and endocrine science, we express our serious concern with the European Commission's proposed criteria on Endocrine Disruptors (EDs). As scientific and medical professional societies devoted to the study of hormone-related diseases and disorders, we recognize that EDs contribute to serious health problems such as diabetes, obesity, and neurodevelopmental and reproductive disorders. These diseases affect the health and quality of life for people around the world and scientific criteria to effectively identify and regulate EDs are critical to ensure the health and well-being of the public, for this and next generations.

Fetal life: a critical “window” in which the appropriate number of beta cells are set in place

Embryogenesis

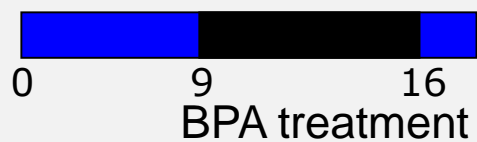


Fetal growth → Late fetal gestation, fastest expansion of β -cell mass

Postnatal growth → Growth of β -cell mass but at reduced rate



Bisphenol-A action on pregnant mice



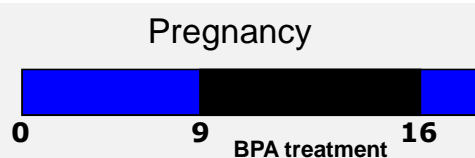
End points measured at pregnancy days 17 and 18

BPA 10 $\mu\text{g/kg/day}$

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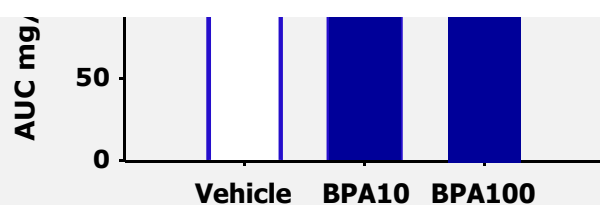
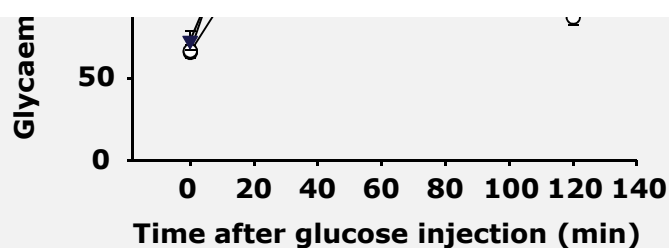


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End points measured at pregnancy days 17 and 18

BPA-exposed pregnant females developed glucose intolerance which resembles gestational diabetes



GLUCOSE TOLERANCE TEST

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CONSEQUENCES OF GESTATIONAL DIABETES IN THE LONG TERM FOR THE MOTHER



Delivery

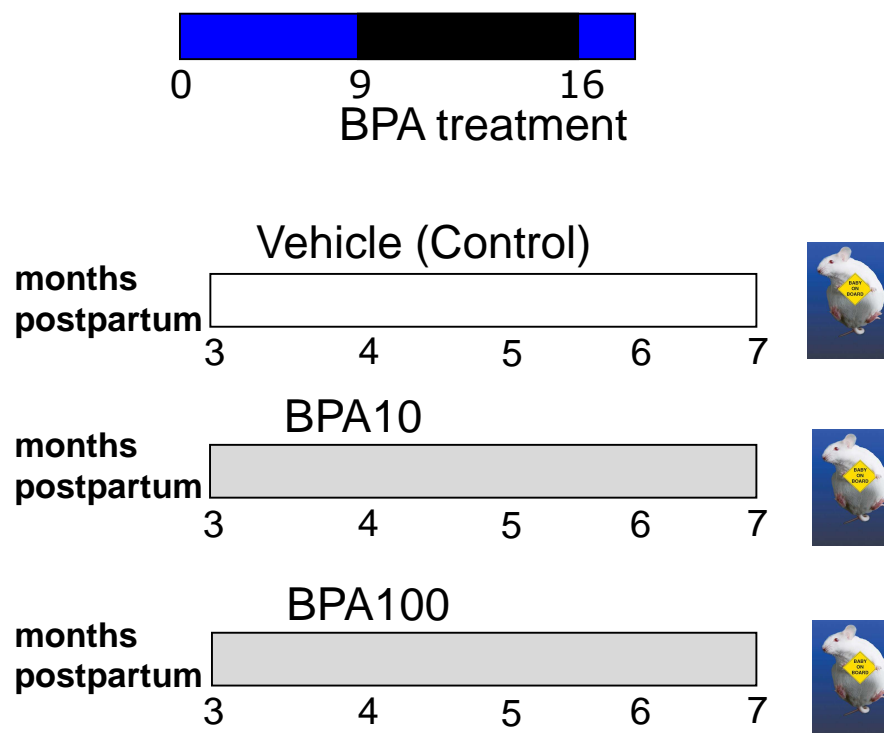
↑ Diabetes

GESTATIONAL DIABETES: Any degree of glucose intolerance with onset or first recognition during pregnancy

Normally remission after delivery

- Increased risk for the development of **diabetes** usually type 2.
- Approximately 10% of women with GDM will have diabetes soon after delivery, rising to 20-60 % within 5-10 years

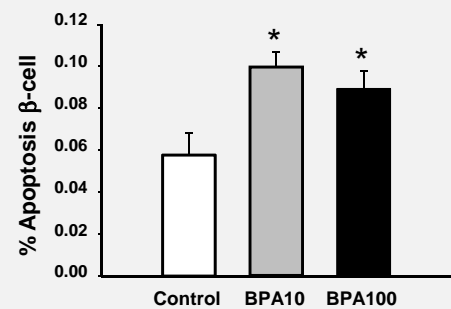
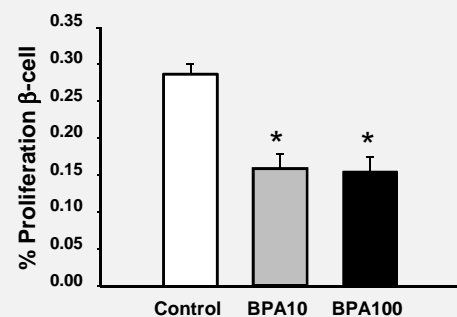
Animal model: Consequences in the long term for the mother?



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BPA-exposed pregnant mums seven months after labour

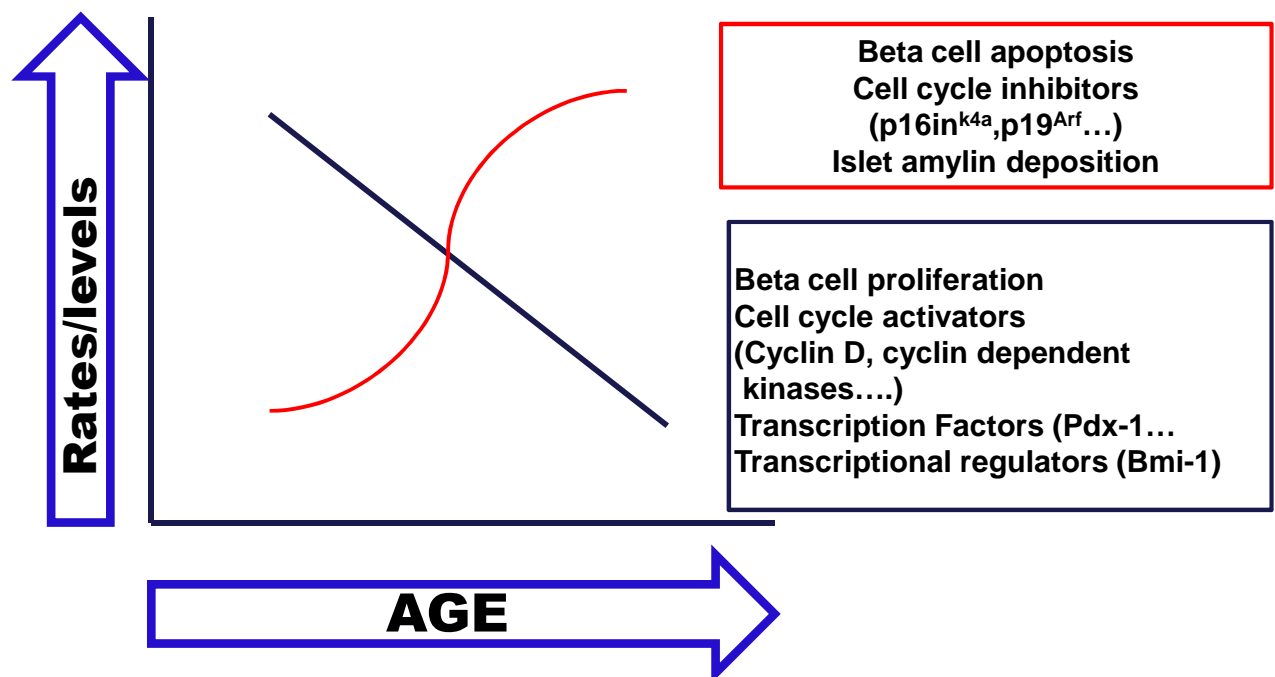
- ❖ Glucose intolerance
- ❖ Decline of pancreatic β -cell function
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- ❖ Increased β -cell apoptosis



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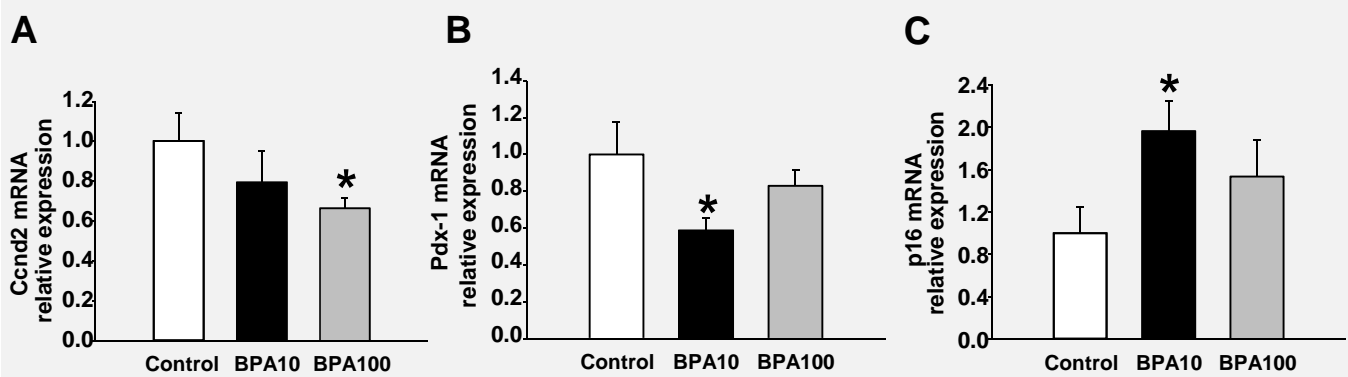
- ☐ **Decline of pancreatic β -cell function**
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The aging pancreatic β -cell



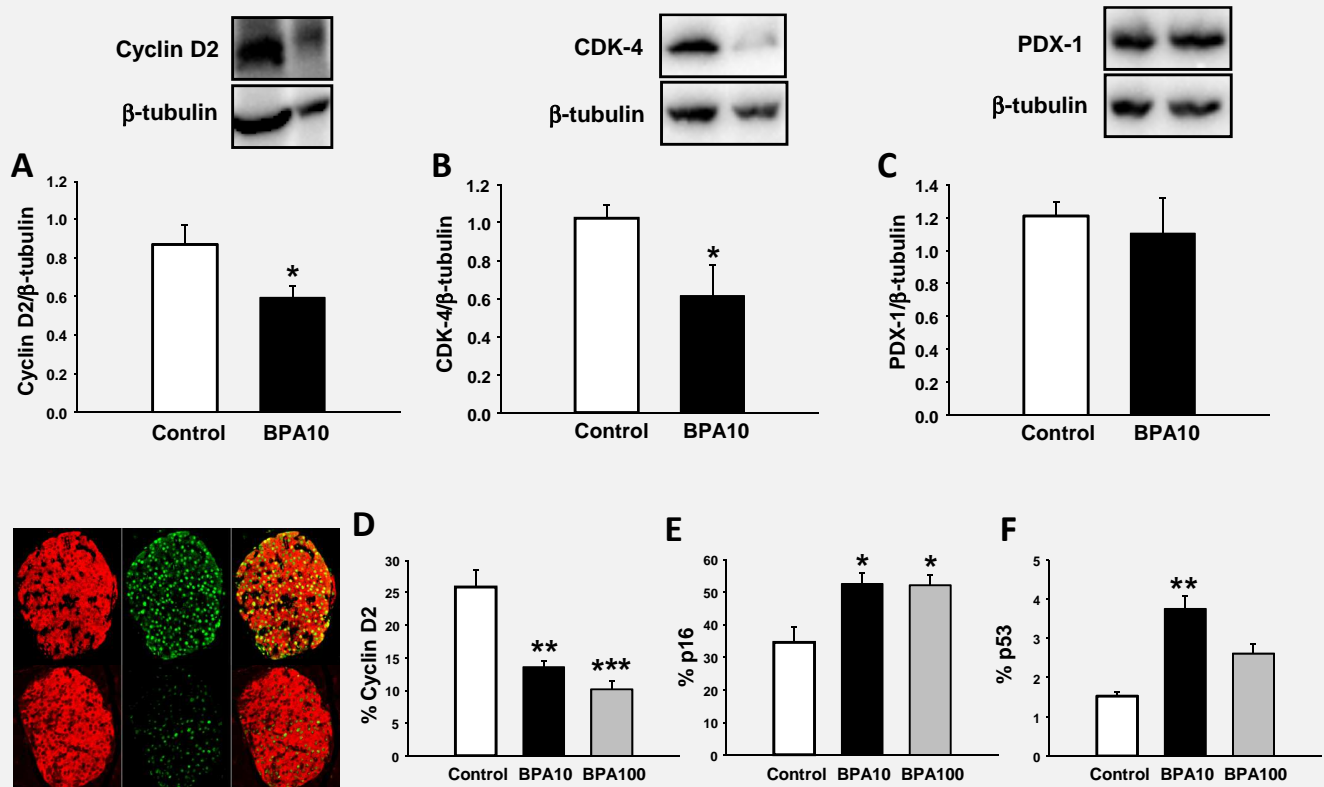
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Altered gene expression of important cell cycle regulators in pancreatic β -cells seven months after labour



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Altered protein expression of important cell cycle regulators in pancreatic β -cells seven months after labour



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Levels of the 15 common contaminants found in human amniotic fluid

Phenolic compounds

- Bisphenol A (BPA) $0.2 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M}$
- Triclosan $0.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ M}$
- Benzophenone-3 $0.9 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ M}$

Phthalates

- DBP $0.24 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ M}$
- DEHP $10^{-7} - 10^{-6} \text{ M}$



Organochlorine pesticides

- HCB 10^{-11} M
- 4-4' DDE 10^{-9} M



Polyaromatic hydrocarbons

- 2-Naphthol $0.5 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M}$

Perfluorinated compounds

- PFOS $0.8 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M}$
- PFOA $0.4 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M}$

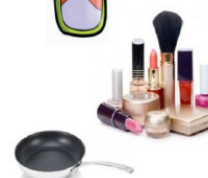


Halogenated compounds

- PCB-153 $0.2 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ M}$
- BDE-209 $0.6 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ M}$
- Sodium perchlorate 10^{-8} M

Heavy metals

- Methyl Mercury 10^{-7} M
- Lead $0.2 \cdot 10^{-9} \text{ M}$



Many of these compounds individually have been shown to behave as diabetogens, obesogens or both



Urinary Bisphenol A (BPA) Concentration Associates with Obesity and Insulin Resistance

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TABLE 2. Association between urinary bisphenol A concentration and obesity, insulin resistance

	BPA quartiles (ng/ml)			
	Quartile 1 (≤0.47)	Quartile 2 (0.48–0.81)	Quartile 3 (0.82–1.43)	Quartile 4 (>1.43)
Generalized overweight ^a				
Cases/participants	329/707	354/698	345/702	344/666
Age-, sex-, and urinary creatinine-adjusted OR (95% CI)	1.00	1.20 (0.97–1.48)	1.15 (0.93–1.43)	1.29 (1.04–1.61)
Multivariate adjusted OR (95% CI) ^b	1.00	1.23 (0.97–1.57)	1.28 (1.01–1.63)	1.24 (0.97–1.59)
Generalized obesity				
Cases/participants	144/851	150/848	145/847	178/844
Age-, sex-, and urinary creatinine-adjusted OR (95% CI)	1.00	1.15 (0.89–1.48)	1.16 (0.89–1.50)	1.57 (1.22–2.01)
Multivariate adjusted OR (95% CI) ^b	1.00	1.14 (0.87–1.50)	1.19 (0.90–1.57)	1.50 (1.15–1.97)
Abdominal obesity				
Cases/participants	389/851	417/848	394/847	407/844
Age-, sex-, and urinary creatinine-adjusted OR (95% CI)	1.00	1.29 (1.06–1.57)	1.25 (1.03–1.53)	1.43 (1.17–1.74)
Multivariate adjusted OR (95% CI) ^b	1.00	1.26 (1.02–1.57)	1.28 (1.03–1.59)	1.28 (1.03–1.60)
Insulin resistance				
Cases/participants	248/851	268/848	250/847	282/844
Age-, sex-, and urinary creatinine-adjusted OR (95% CI)	1.00	1.27 (1.02–1.57)	1.20 (0.97–1.50)	1.56 (1.26–1.94)
Multivariate adjusted OR (95% CI) ^c	1.00	1.18 (0.92–1.52)	1.09 (0.85–1.42)	1.37 (1.06–1.77)
Insulin resistance in participants with BMI <24 kg/m ² (n = 1401)				
Cases/participants	47/331	58/344	45/357	53/322
Age-, sex-, and urinary creatinine-adjusted OR (95% CI)	1.00	1.75 (1.14–2.68)	1.31 (0.83–2.06)	2.00 (1.28–3.13)
Multivariate adjusted OR (95% CI) ^c	1.00	1.55 (0.97–2.46)	1.04 (0.64–1.70)	1.94 (1.20–3.14)
Insulin resistance in participants with BMI ≥24 kg/m ² (n = 1989)				
Cases/participants	201/473	210/504	205/490	229/522
Age-, sex-, and urinary creatinine-adjusted OR (95% CI)	1.00	1.03 (0.79–1.35)	1.09 (0.84–1.43)	1.26 (0.97–1.65)
Multivariate adjusted OR (95% CI) ^c	1.00	1.06 (0.78–1.43)	1.11 (0.81–1.51)	1.21 (0.89–1.64)

^a For the risk of generalized overweight, we defined participants with a BMI less than 24 as 0 (n = 1401) and generalized overweight as 1 (n = 1372), excluding obesity participants (n = 617) from the analysis.

^b The OR (95% CI) were adjusted for age, sex, urinary creatinine concentration, smoking, alcohol drinking, education levels, systolic blood pressure, HDL-C, LDL-C, TC, TG, hs-CRP, fasting plasma glucose, fasting serum insulin, and serum ALT and GTT.

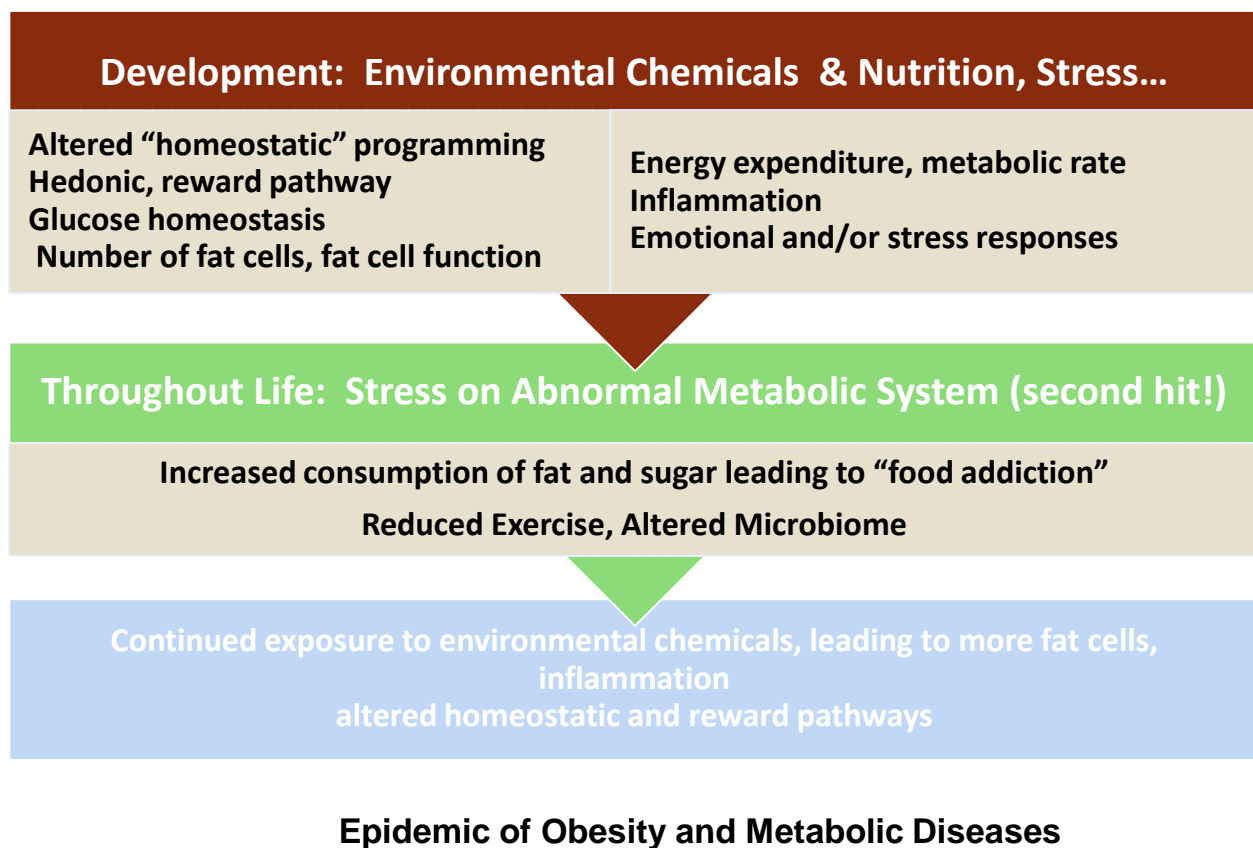
^c The OR (95% CI) were further adjusted for BMI based on the adjustment indicated in footnote b.

PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE



- ❖ **General practitioners, endocrinologists, pediatricians and obstetricians should consider advising patients on the exposure to those EDCs that may be risk factors for type 2 diabetes.**
- ❖ **This precaution would be particularly useful during the most sensitive periods of life, such as infancy and pregnancy.**
- ❖ **Public health policy should be readdressed for those EDCs, such as BPA, for which use is still unrestricted.**

The Perfect Storm for Diabetes and Obesity



The Perfect Storm for Diabetes and Obesity

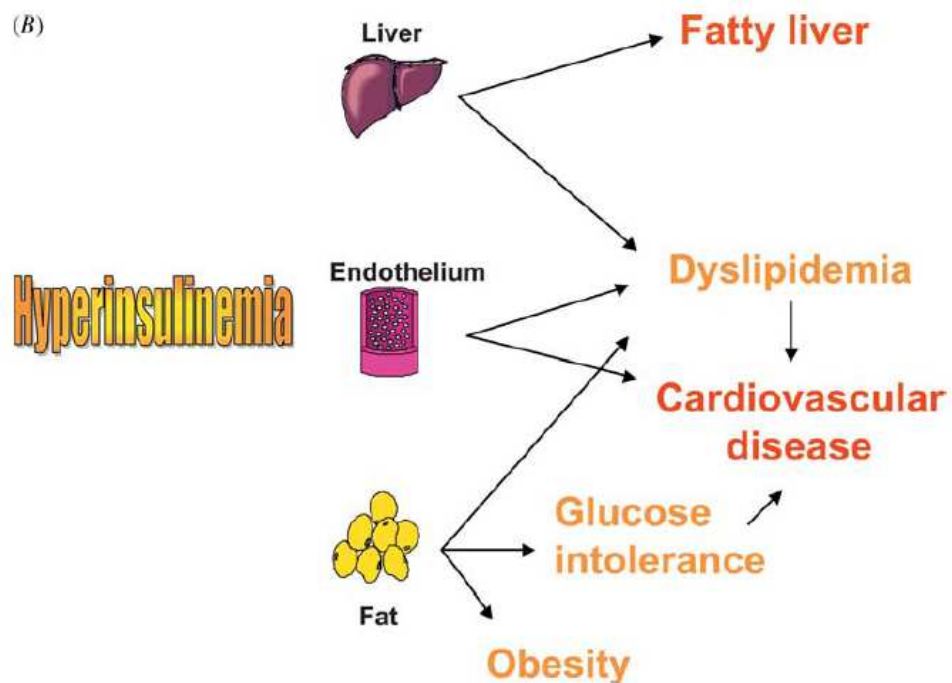
Development: Environmental Chemicals & Nutrition, Stress...

- Altered “programming” of components of the homeostatic system
- Hedonic, reward pathway
- Glucose homeostasis
- Fat cells
- Energy expenditure
- Inflammation/inflammatory responses

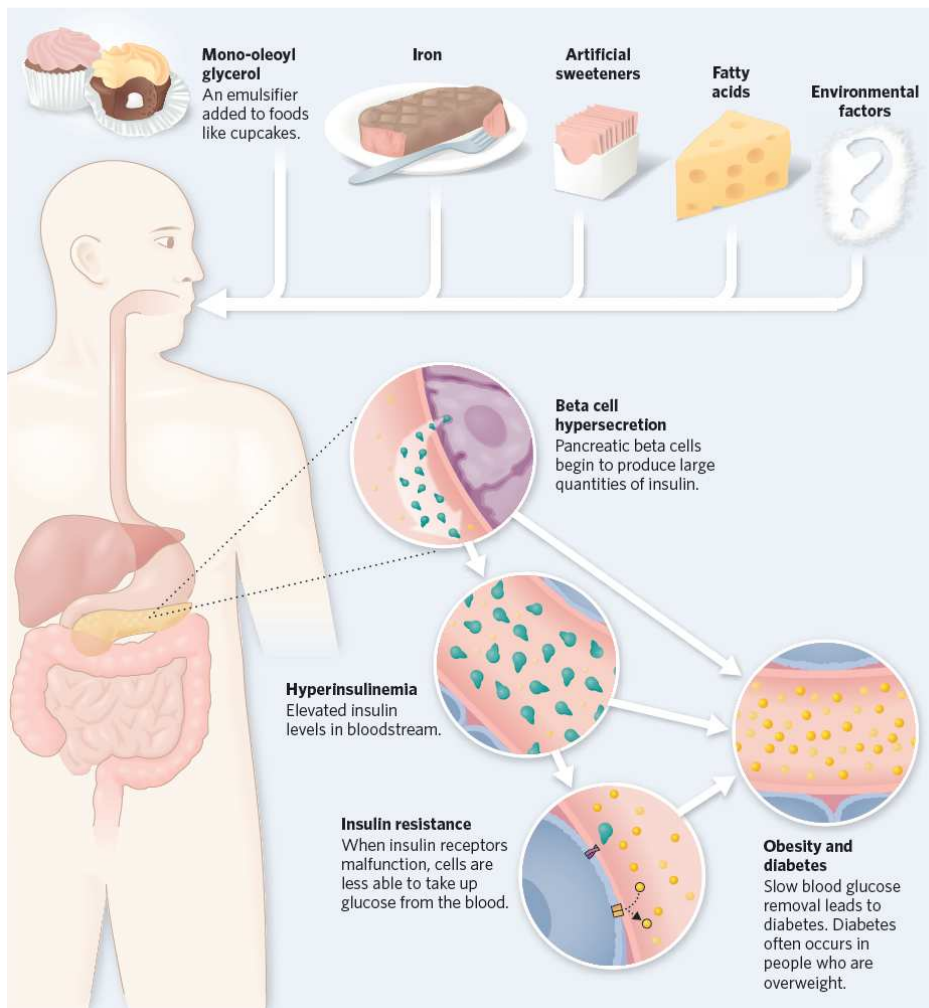
Throughout Life: Continued Stress on Abnormal Metabolic System (second hit!)

Continued exposure to environmental chemicals, leading to altered homeostatic and reward pathways, altered insulin signaling, more fat cells, inflammation

Two different manners of understanding the etiology of diabetes.....



Sudha B. Biddinger^{1,2} and C. Ronald Kahn
Annu. Rev. Physiol. 2006. 68:123–58



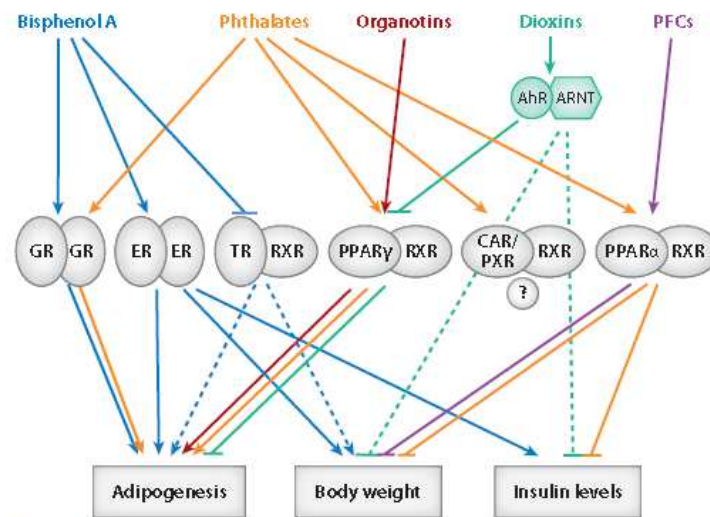
Why we are fat?
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Hyperinsulinemia the cause of the problem

Corkey, Diabetes 2012
Alonso-Magdalena et al, EHP 2006
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Around the Home

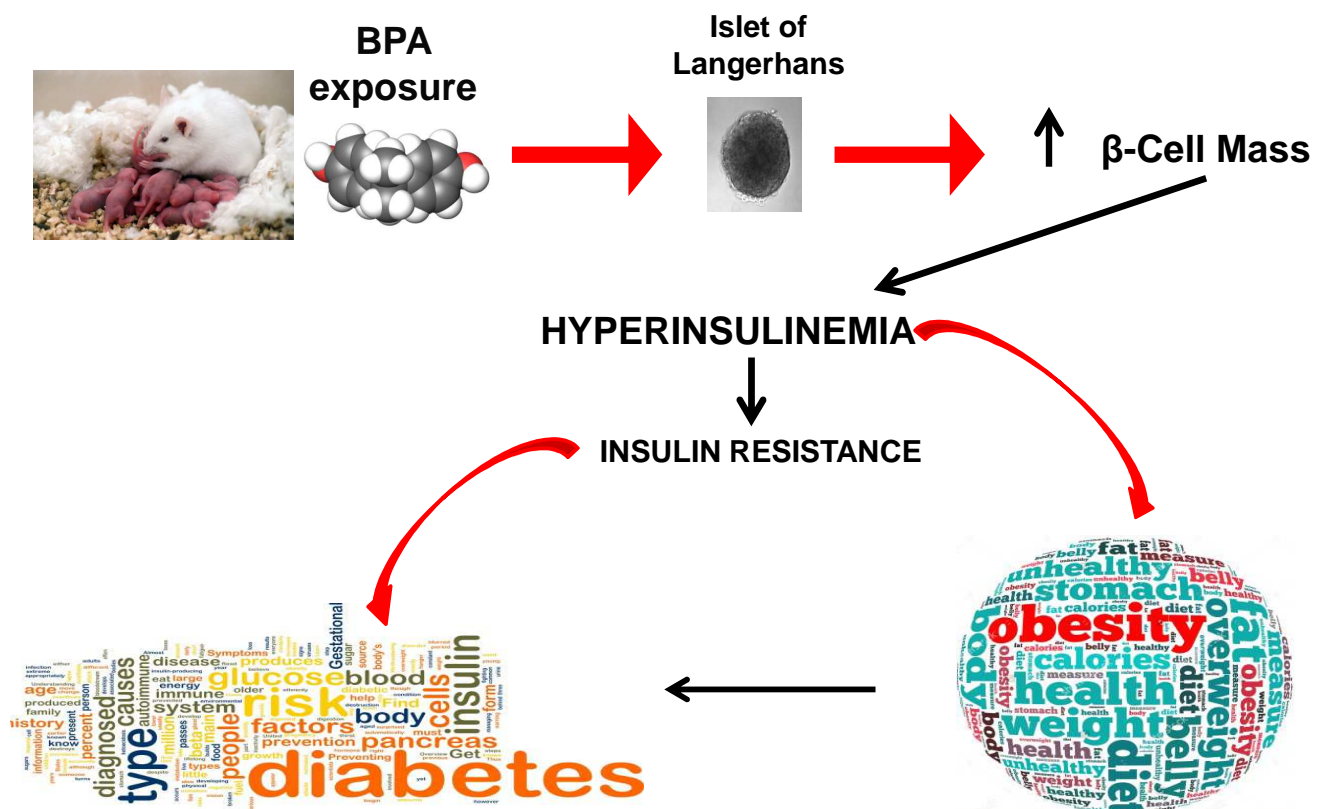
- ✓ For those with a submersible pump in their well who notice an oily film or fuel odor in their well water, check to see if the pump has failed and, if so, replace it. Contact your local Department of Public Health for information on how to clean the well
- ✓ Old fluorescent bulbs and deteriorating construction materials from older buildings should be replaced and discarded safely. Contact your local Department of Public Health
- ✓ Don't burn wood or trash
- ✓ Use hand-powered or electric lawn care equipment instead of gas-powered alternatives
- ✓ Forbid smoking indoors and advocate for measures to make public spaces tobacco-free
- ✓ Clean your floors regularly and remove dust from your home with a damp cloth.
- ✓ Plant trees, which filter out airborne gases and particulate matter

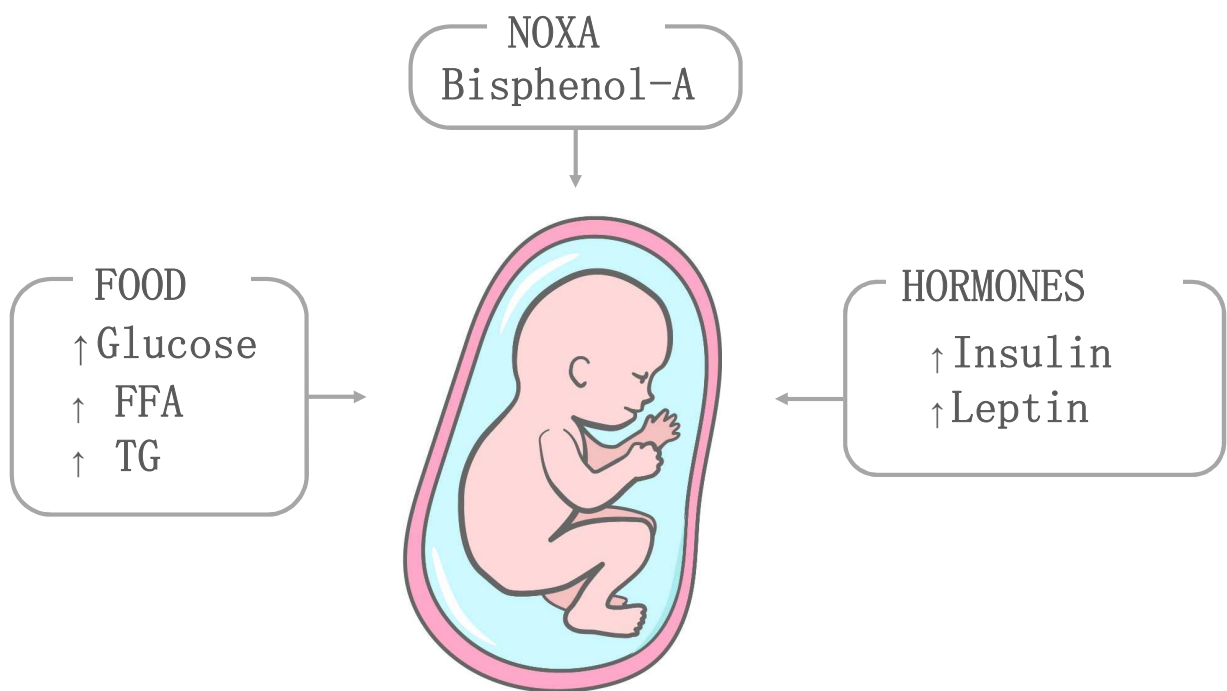


Endocrine Disruptors: From Endocrine to Metabolic Disruption

Cristina Casals-Casas and Béatrice Desvergne

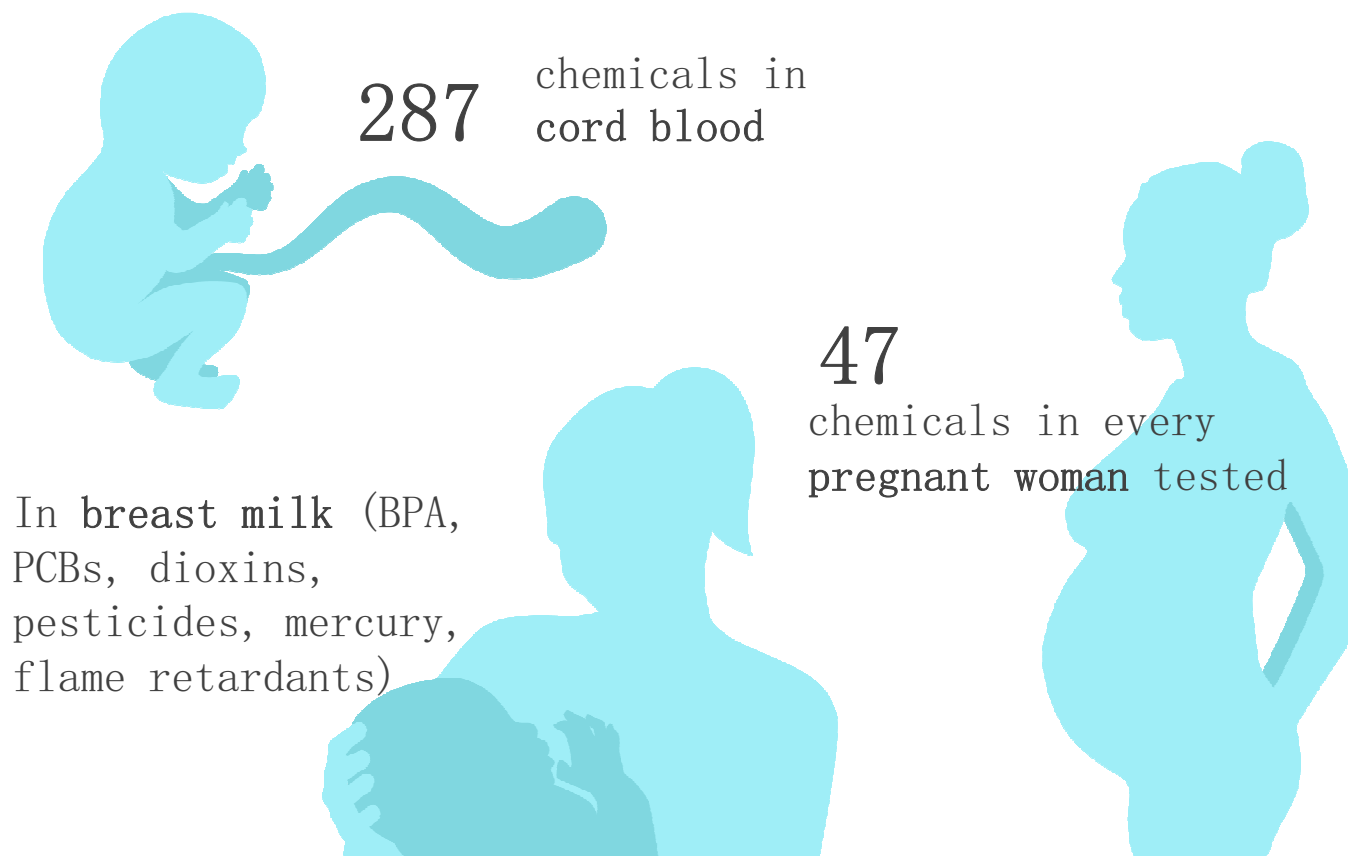
TAKEN THE ETIOLOGY OF TYPE-2 DIABETES AND OBESITY FROM ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW





Diabetic mother's environment confers risks for T2D in mothers and offspring

We all carry a Chemical Body Burden



The presence of chemicals in the womb
does not mean that they are causing harm.

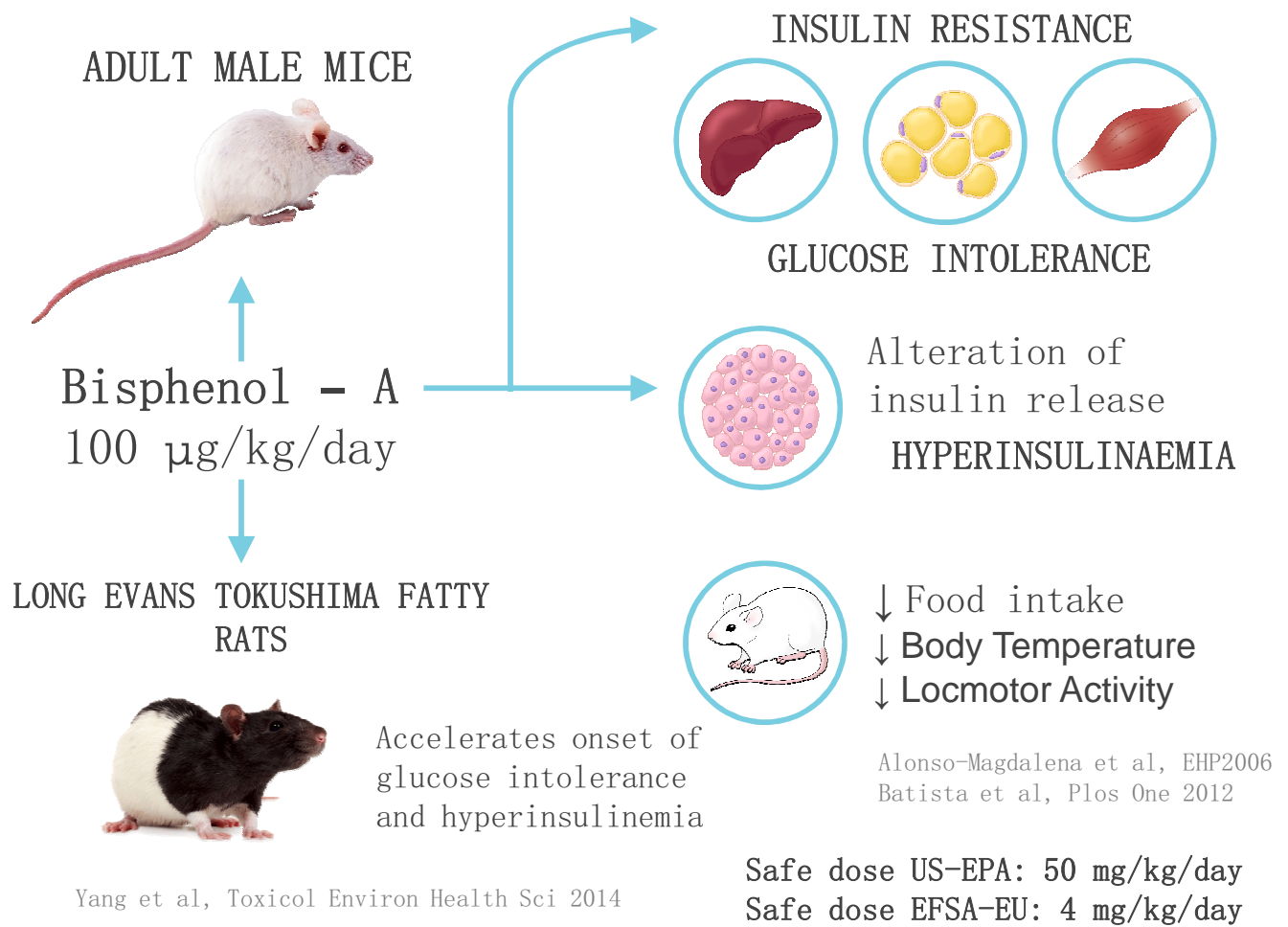


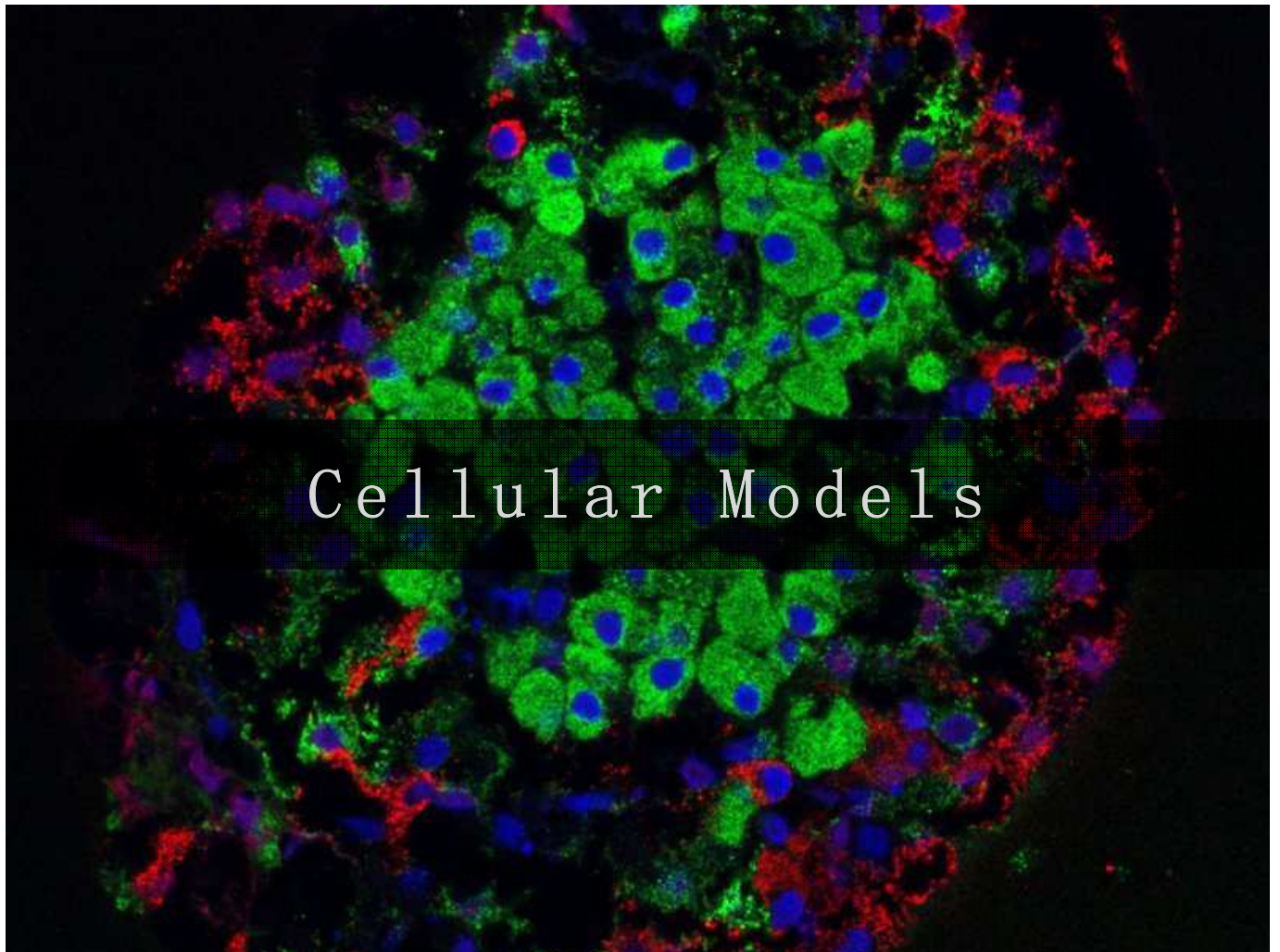
However, every pregnant woman has a body burden
of chemicals without her knowledge
...with the potential of harm.

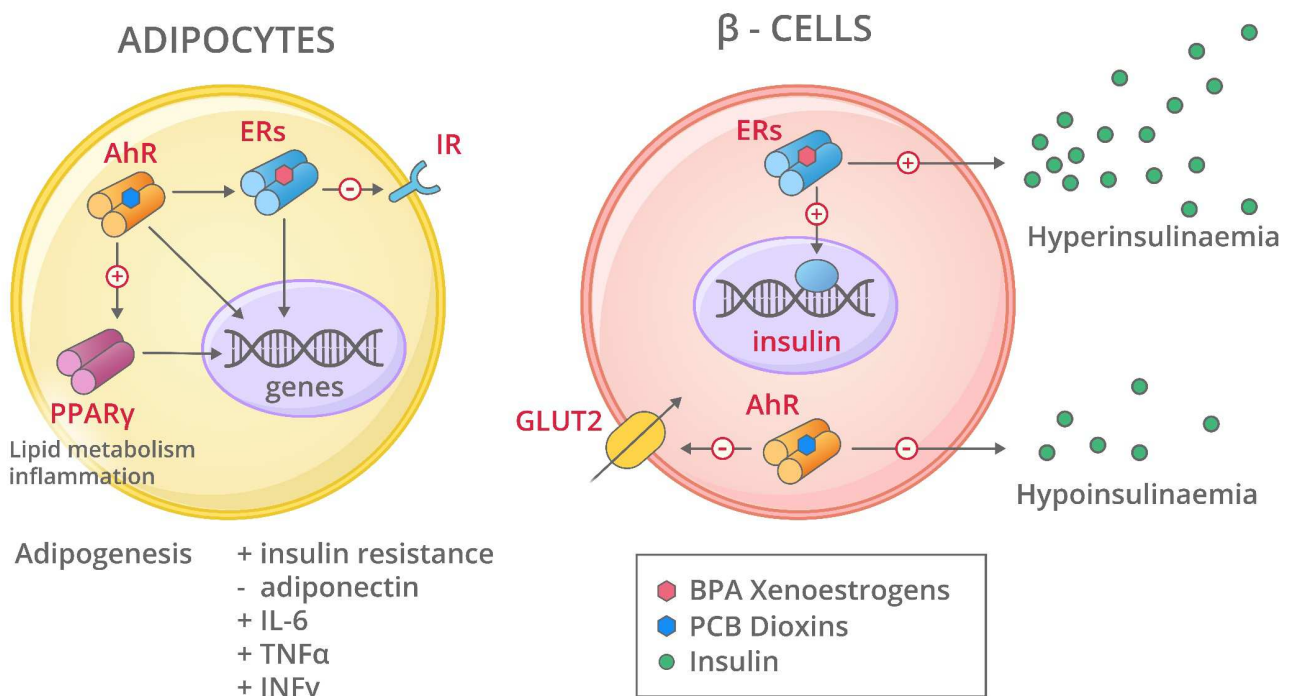
ANIMAL MODELS

EXPOSURE DURING ADULTHOOD









β - CELL

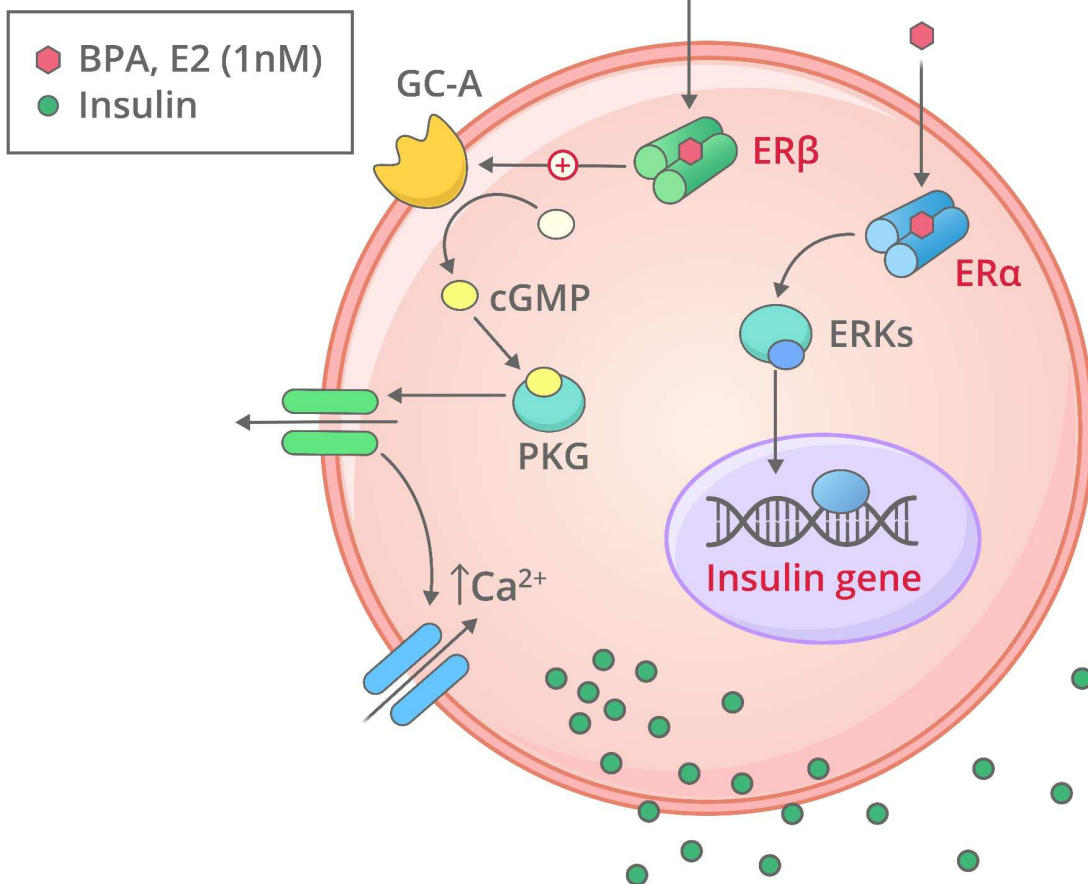
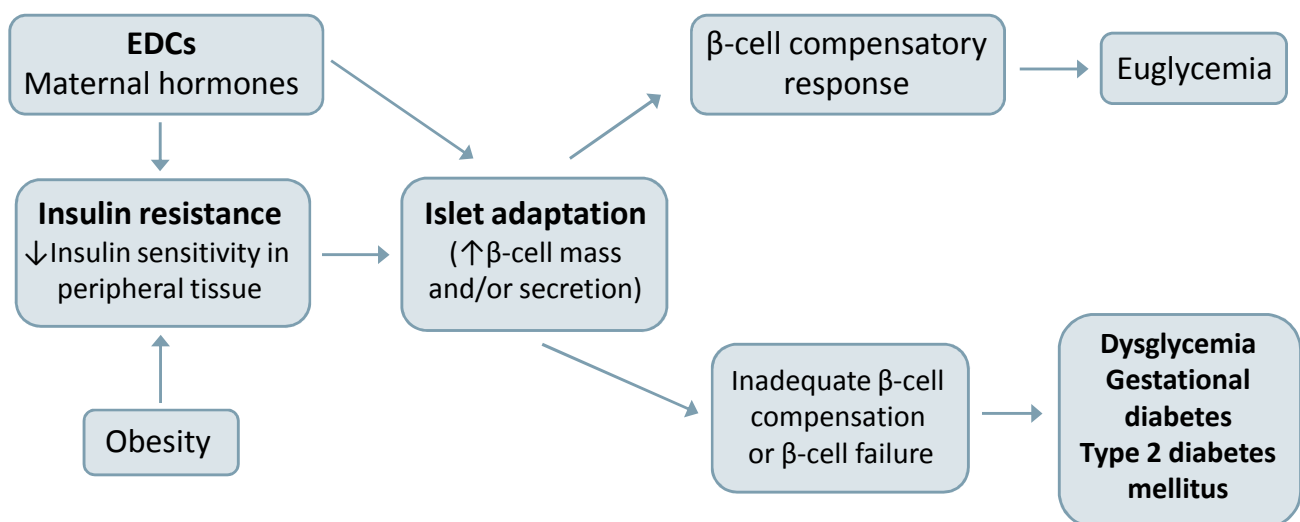


Figure 1. Pregnancy-like actions of endocrine disrupting chemicals on islet function and glucose homeostasis

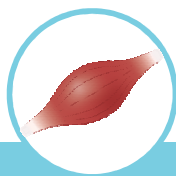
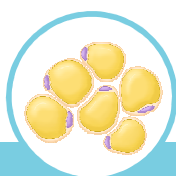
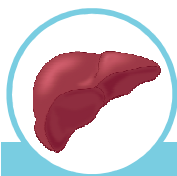


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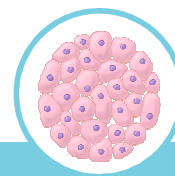
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The etiology of type 2 diabetes is based on

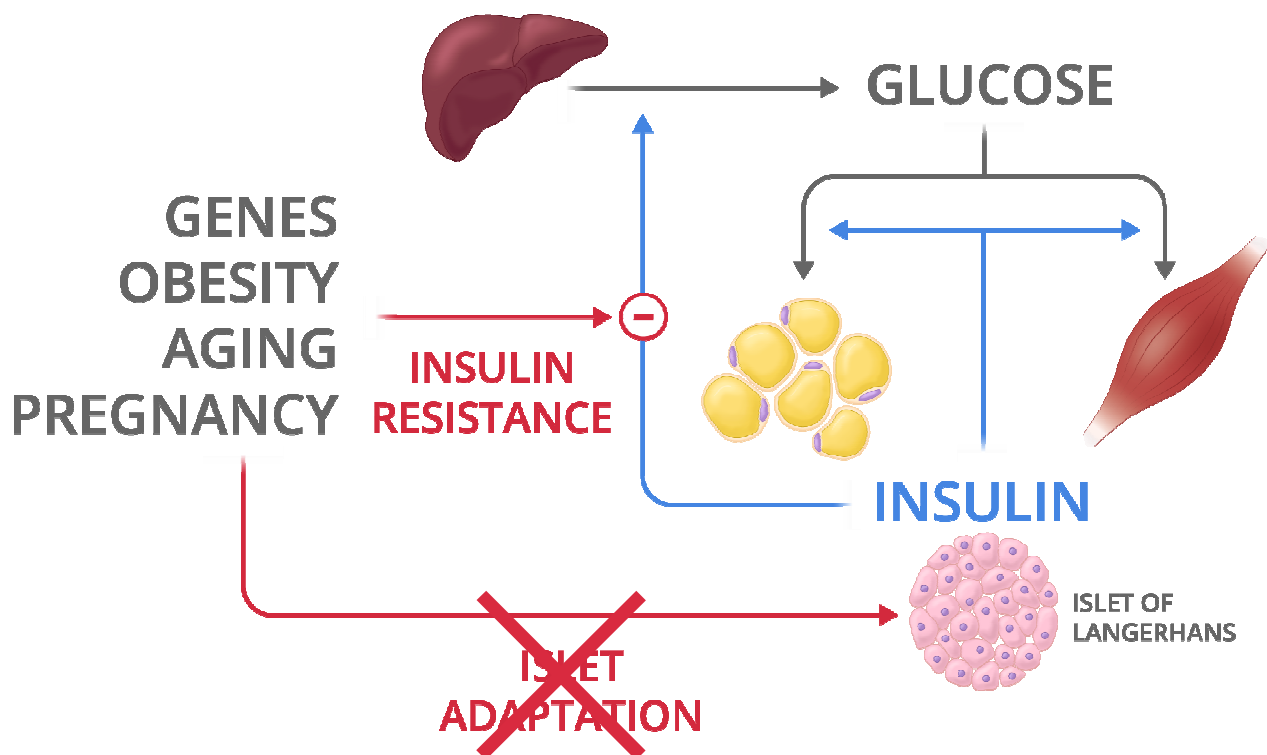


The induction of
insulin
resistance



Disruption of
beta cell
function

Genetic predisposition and
environmental factors play key roles



1. ↑ Glucose-stimulated insulin secretion
2. ↑ Insulin biosynthesis
3. ↑ Beta-cell proliferation and islet volume

PREVENCION, DIAGNÓSTICO Y TRATAMIENTO DE LA OBESIDAD. POSICIONAMIENTO DE LA SOCIEDAD ESPAÑOLA PARA EL ESTUDIO DE LA OBESIDAD DE 2016.

PREVENTION, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF OBESITY. 2016 POSITION STATEMENT OF THE SPANISH SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF OBESITY.

Autores: Lecube A ^{1*}, Monereo S ^{2*}, Rubio MA ³, Martínez-de-Icaya P ⁴, Martí A ⁵, Salvador J ⁶, Masmiqel L ⁷, Goday A ⁸, Bellido D ⁹, Lurbe E ¹⁰, García-Almeida JM ¹¹, Tinahones FJ ¹², García-Luna PP ¹³, Palacio E ¹⁴, Gargallo M ¹⁵, Breton I ¹⁶, Morales-Conde S ¹⁷, Caixàs A ¹⁸, Menéndez E ¹⁹, Puig-Domingo M ²⁰, Casanueva FF ²¹.

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Disruptores endocrinos: Los disruptores endocrinos son compuestos químicos exógenos con capacidad para alterar funciones hormonales de las personas expuestas. Estudios experimentales y epidemiológicos han mostrado como sustancias como bisfenol A, ftalatos, pesticidas órgano-fosforados, insecticidas como DDT o dioxinas pueden interferir distintas funciones hormonales, participando en alteraciones de la reproducción y la etiopatogenia del cáncer, pero también en la homeostasis metabólica, especialmente en el desarrollo de diabetes y, con menos evidencia, en la promoción de la obesidad ^{24,25}. Por ejemplo, tanto estudios

Applications of phthalates

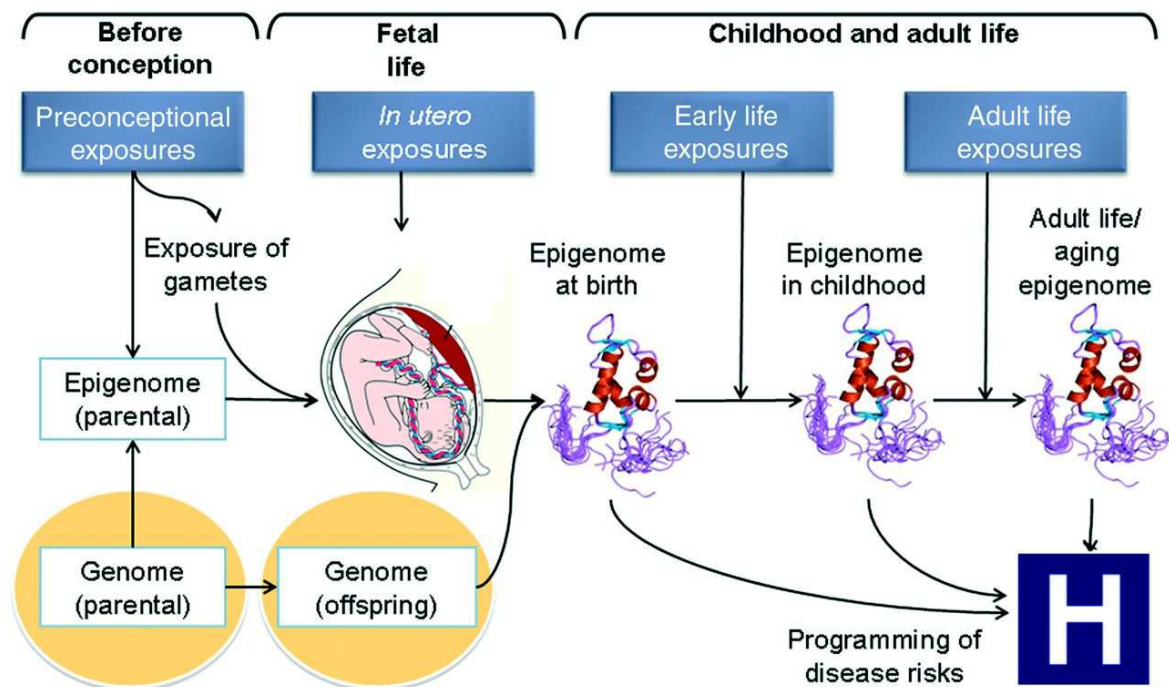


DEHP daily exposure 3–30 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{d}$

Urinary concentration of the DEHP metabolite MEHP is 1.5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{l}$

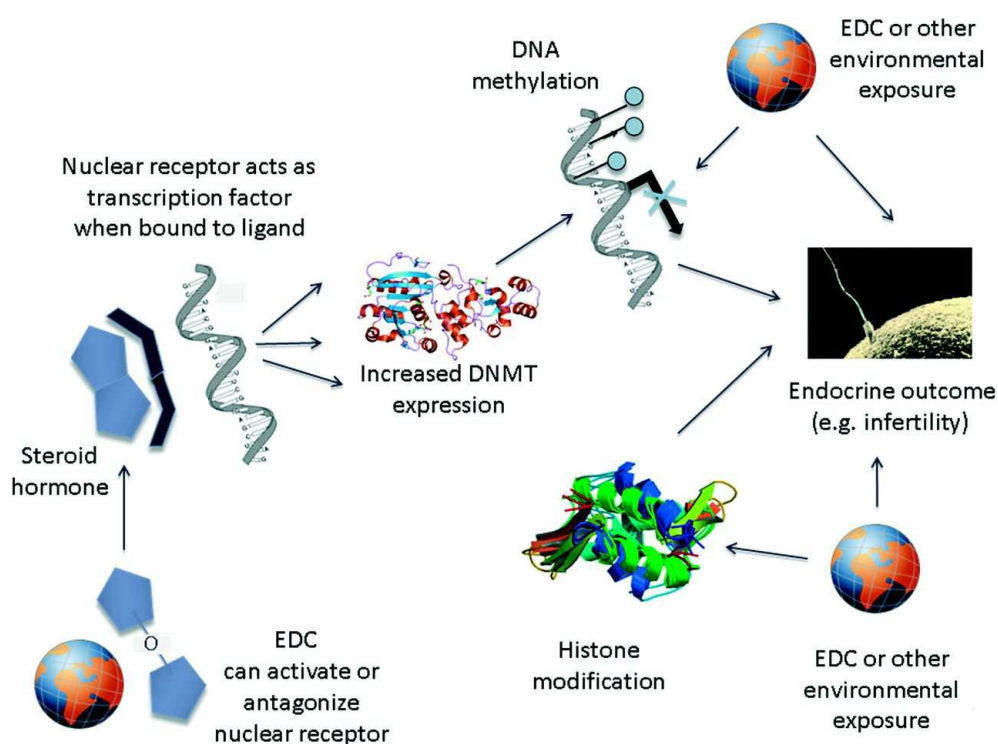
The reference dose of DEHP is 20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}$ of body weight per day

Figure 2 Exposures that occur preconceptionally, in utero, in early life and in adult life may result in epigenetic dysregulation.

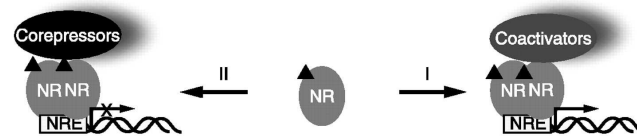
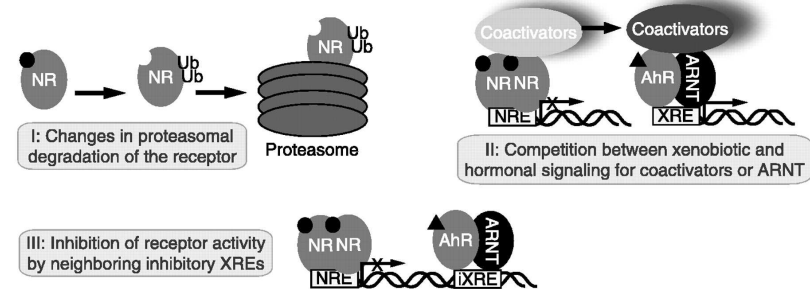


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Figure 3 There are multiple potential causal pathways through which an environmental exposure may lead to epigenetic modifications, which may, in turn, impact clinical outcomes.



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Figure 2 Mechanisms of endocrine disruption.**A Direct interaction of EDC with NRs****B Disturbance of NR signaling****C Changes in hormone availability**

Elin Swedenborg et al. *J Mol Endocrinol* 2009;43:1-10

ENDOCRINE DISRUPTING CHEMICALS

HERBICIDES

2,4,-D
2,4,5,-T
Alachlor
Amitrole
Atrazine
Linuron
Metribuzin
Nitrofen
Trifluralin

FUNGICIDES

Benomyl
Ethylene thiourea
Fenarimol
Hexachlorobenzene
Mancozeb
Maneb
Metiram - complex
Tri-butyl-tin
Vinclozolin
Zineb

INSECTICIDES

Aldicarb
beta-HCH
Carbaryl
Chlordane
Chlordecone
DBCP
Dicofol
Dieldrin
DDT and metabolites
Endosulfan
Heptachlor / H-epoxide
Lindane (gamma-HCH)
Malathion
Methomyl
Methoxychlor
Oxychlordane
Parathion
Synthetic pyrethroids
Transnonachlor
Toxaphene

INDUSTRIAL CHEMICALS

Bisphenol - A
Polycarbonates
Butylhydroxyanisole (BHA)
Cadmium
Chloro- & Bromo-diphenyl ether
Dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD)
Furans
Lead
Manganese
Methyl mercury
Nonylphenol
Octylphenol
PBDEs
PCBs
Pentachlorophenol
Penta- to Nonylphenols
p-tert-Pentylphenol
Phthalates
Styrene

ENDOCRINE DISRUPTING CHEMICALS

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Trifluralin

FUNGICIDES

Benomyl
Ethylene thiourea
Fenarimol
Hexachlorobenzene
Mancozeb
Maneb
Metiram - complex
Tri-butyl-tin
Vinclozolin
Zineb

INSECTICIDES

Aldicarb
beta-HCH
Carbaryl
Chlordane
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DBCP
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DDT and **metabolites**
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Styrene

Testosterone synthesis inhibitor
Thyroid hormone transport inhibitor

Estrogen receptor agonist
Androgen receptor antagonist

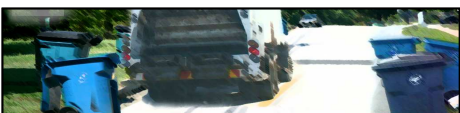
Exposures to Endocrine Disruptors Are Ubiquitous



Agricultural Chemicals
(pesticides/herbicides/fungicides),
Food Additives



Industrial Chemicals and By-
Products
(Air Pollutants, solvents, PCBs)



Waste Products
(Dioxin, PAHs)

**Some
bioaccumulate
and/or are persistent**



Pharmaceutical Products
Phytochemicals



Personal Care Products, Flame
Retardants,
Water Proof Coatings, packaging
(BPA, phthalates, parabens, PFOA/PFOS)

Graphics by Paul Volden

Bisphenol A (BPA)

What is BPA?

- BPA, is a chemical widely used to make polycarbonate plastics & epoxy resins

Where is BPA found?

- food & drink packaging, CDs, thermal paper products, impact-resistant safety equipment

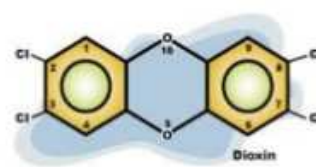
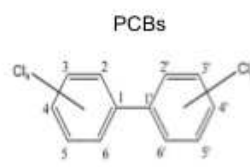
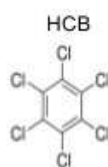
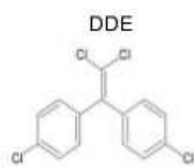


- The major human exposure route to BPA is → **DIET**
- Found in 93% of children and adults tested in 2003–04 (NHANES)

ENDOCRINE DISRUPTOR:

Estrogen, may also interfere with androgens, thyroid hormones, & glucocorticoid receptors

Persistent Organic Pollutants - POPs



Chemical
stability

+

Resistance to
degradation

+

Long half
lives

+

Lipophilic
properties



- **Persist** in the environment
- **Bioaccumulate** through the **food chain**
- **Endocrine disruptors**

Exposure
through diet

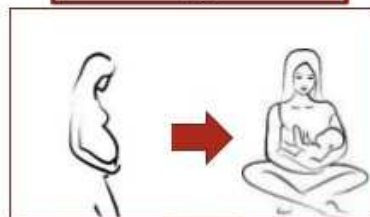
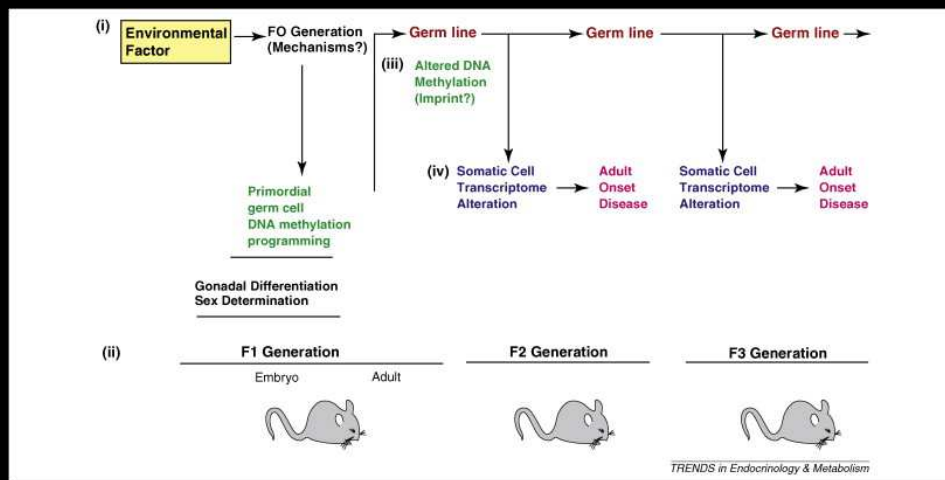


Figure 2



Transgenerational Inheritance

In the case of an exposed female mouse, if she is pregnant, the fetus can be affected in utero (F1), as can the germline of the fetus (the future F2)

- considered to be parental effects, leading to intergenerational epigenetic inheritance
- Only F3 individuals can be considered as true transgenerational inheritance

Does it exist in humans?

Heard and Martienssen (2014)
Cell

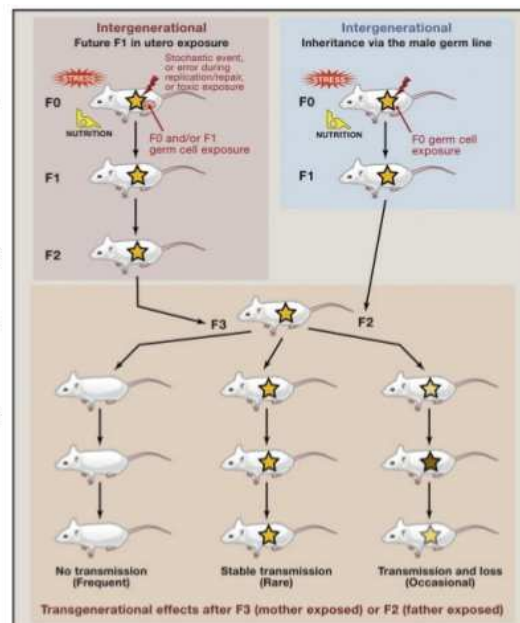
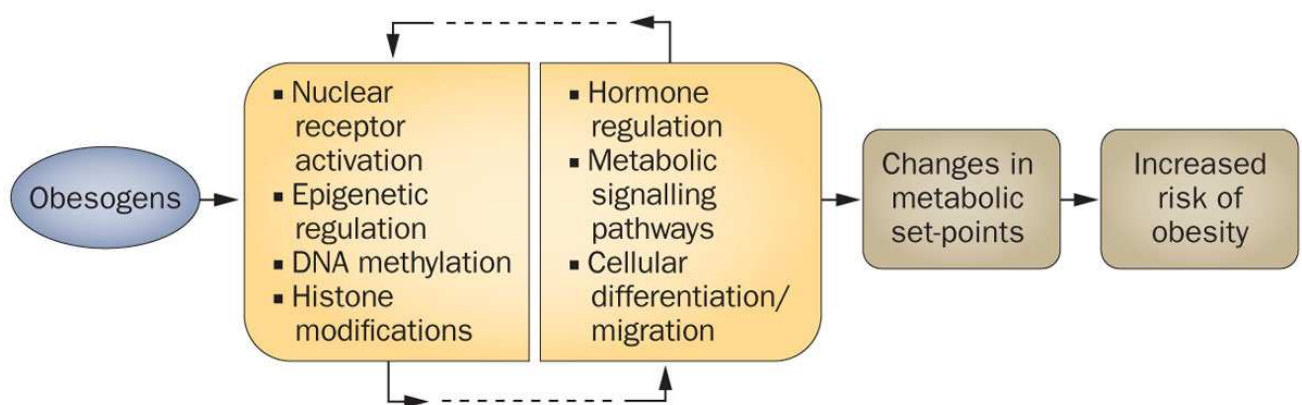
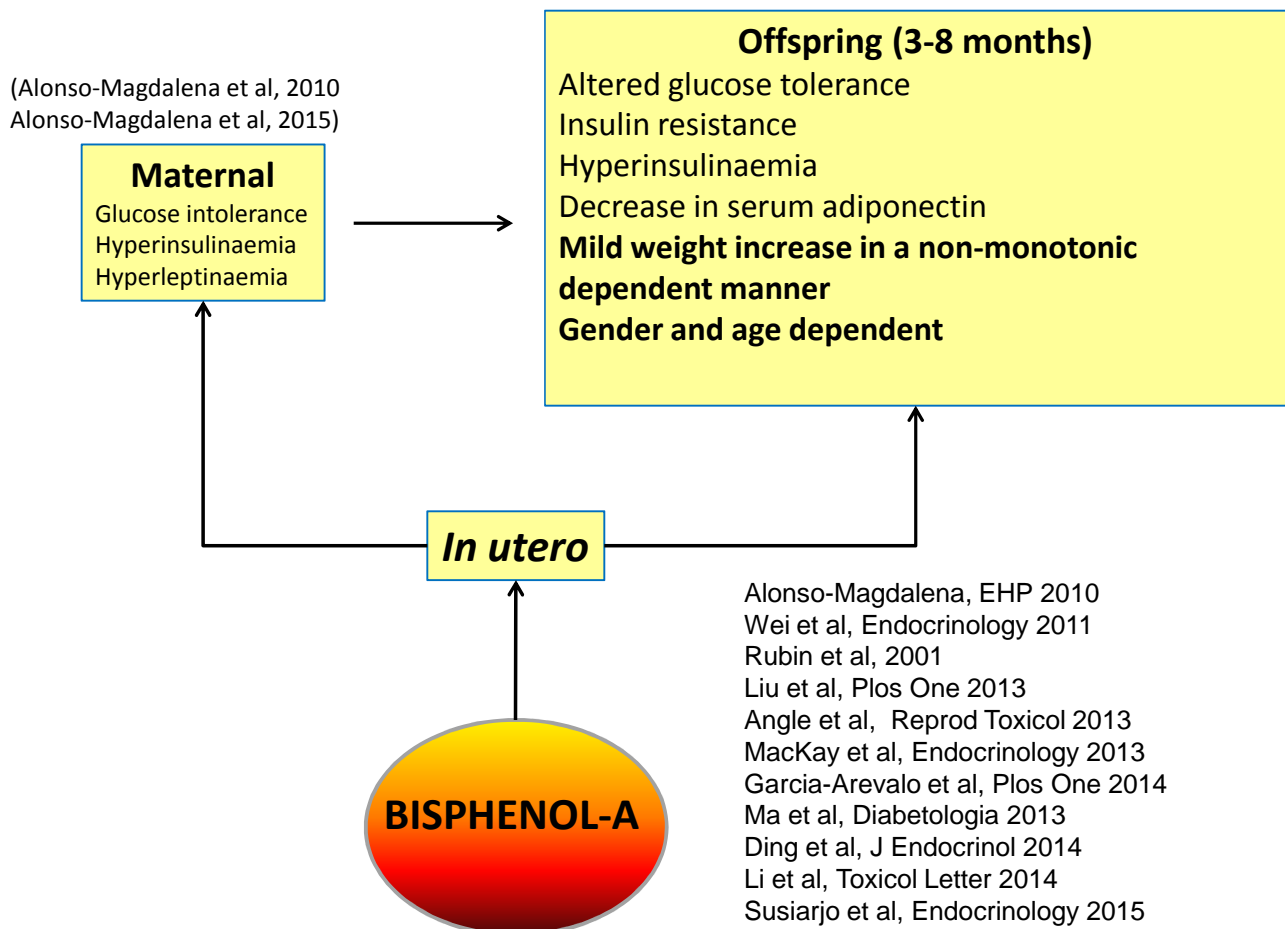


Figure 2 Potential mechanisms of obesogen action that alter metabolic set-points and increase the risk of obesity



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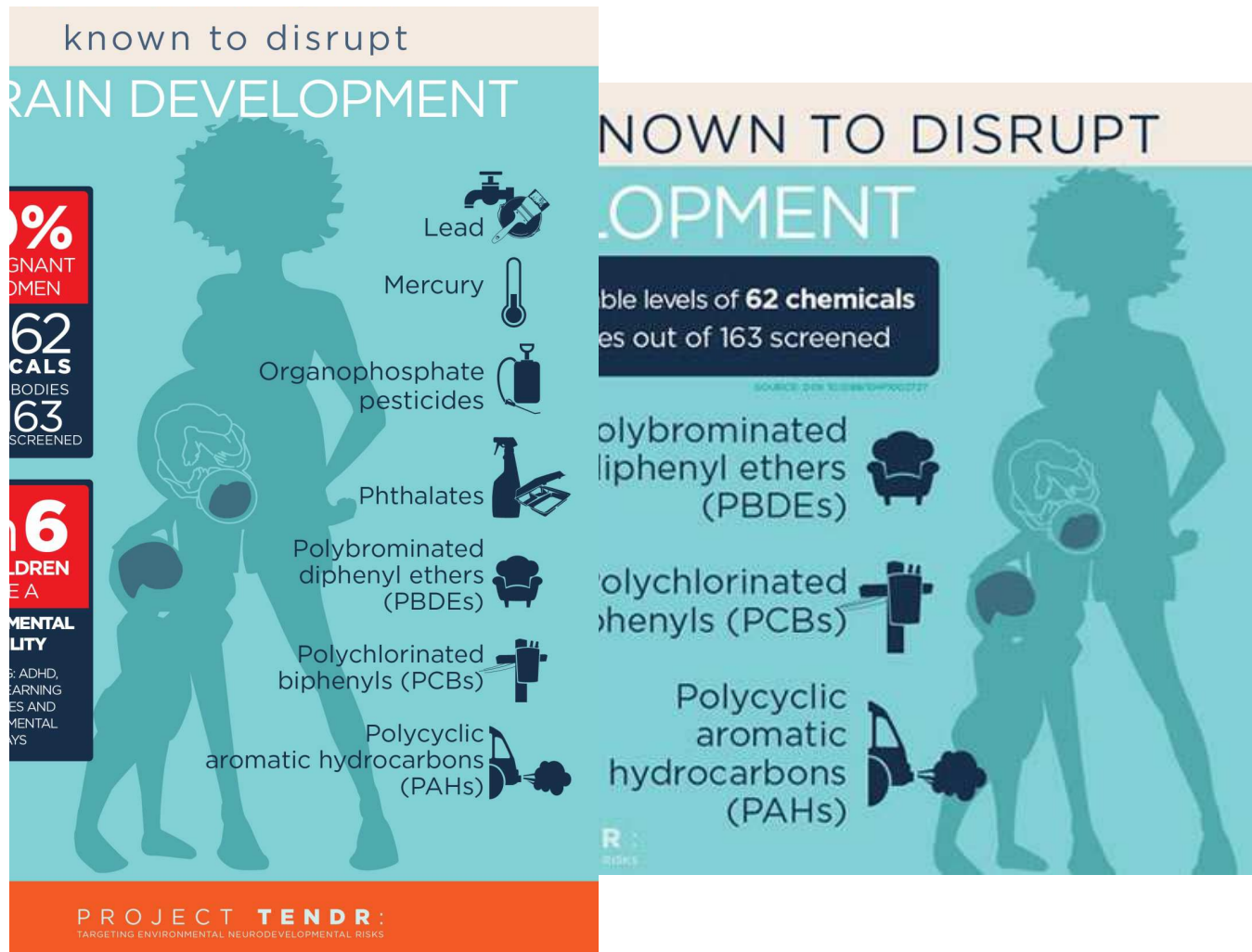
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A Silent Pandemic

Industrial Chemicals Are Impairing The Brain Development of Children Worldwide

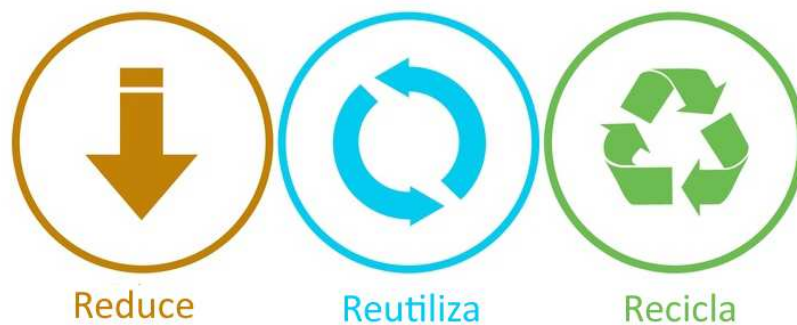
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**Fetal and early childhood exposures to industrial chemicals
in the environment can damage the developing brain
and can lead to neurodevelopmental disorders (NDDs)
autism, attention deficit disorder (ADHD), and mental retardation.**



SOLUCIÓN GLOBAL DEL PROBLEMA

Corto Plazo: cambios en las normativas
para reducir la exposición



Medio y Largo Plazo:

Tenemos que ir más allá del Reducir, Reutilizar y Reciclar.

Hacia la cuarta R: REDISEÑAR

La OCDE define la **QUÍMICA VERDE** como: “el diseño, la fabricación y uso de productos y procesos químicos eficientes, eficaces, seguros y más respetuosos con el medio ambiente”

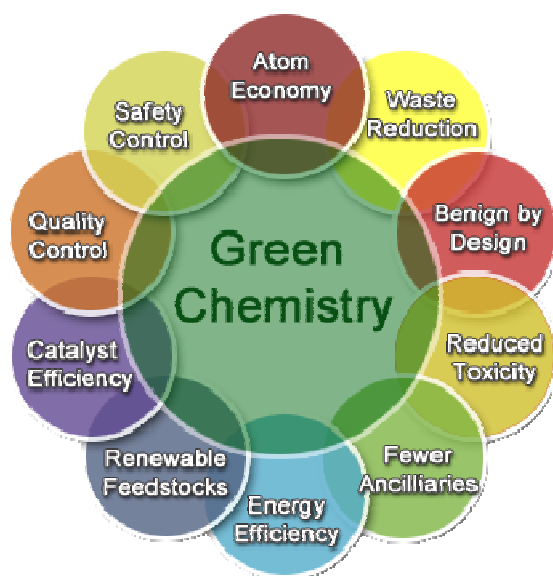
Riesgo= Peligro x Exposición

Tradicionalmente:

↓ Riesgo ↓ Exposición

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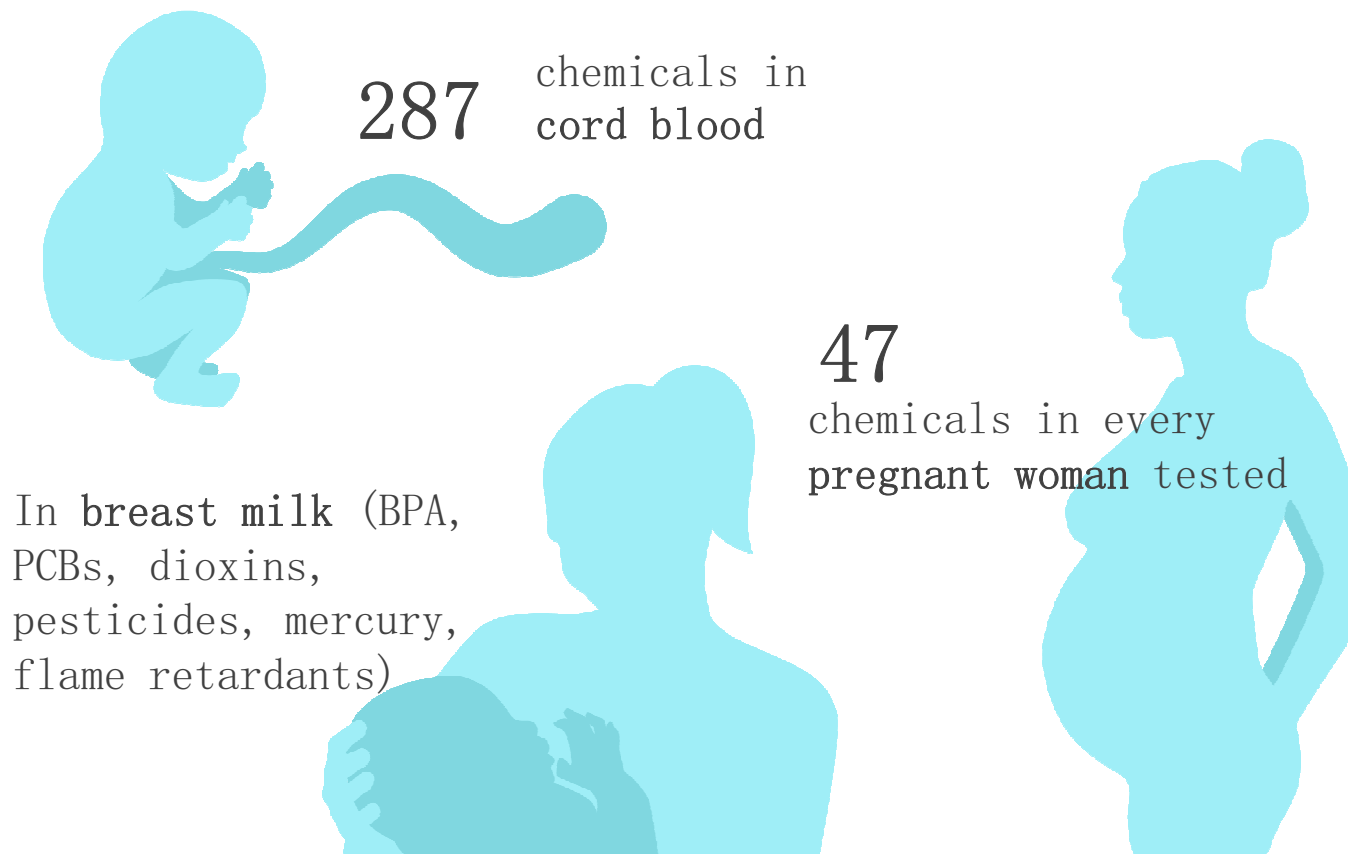
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Hill et al, The Chemist 86: 24-31, 2013

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