

# Report to Scientific Guidance Panel



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# Overview

- Phthalate metabolites method update
- Project sample analyses status
- FOX study results: metals in urine & arsenic speciation
- BPA analogs method update
- Recent publications
- Future work

# Phthalate Metabolites Method Update: Automated Sample Preparation



- Increased sample throughput with automatic sample processing
- Reduced sample volume required for analyses
- Cost effective with reusable HPLC cartridges used as SPE columns
- Increased sensitivity & lower detection limits

# Phthalate Metabolites Method Update: Analyte Panel Expansion



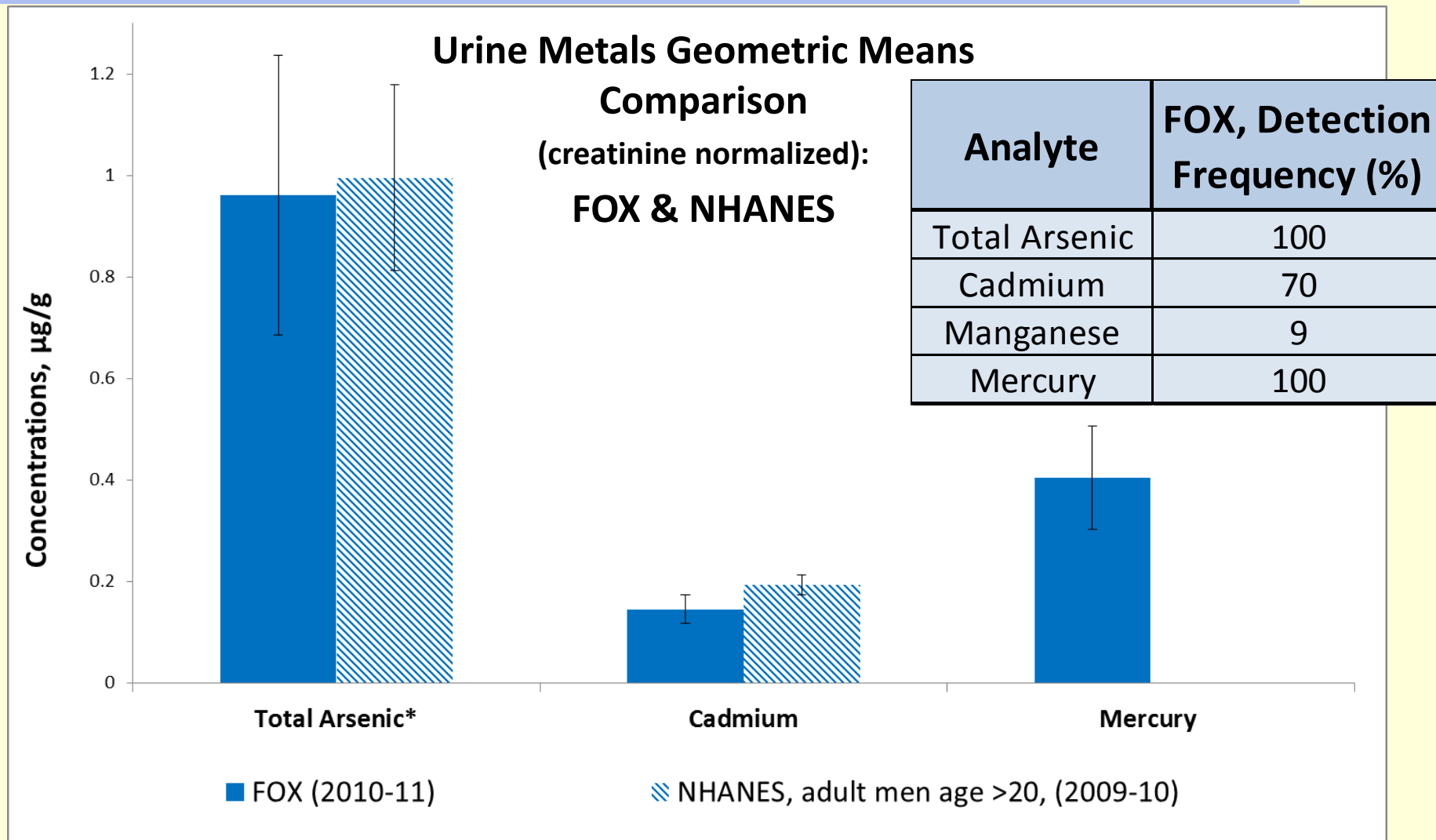
Full Analyte Name	Abbreviation	Parent Compound (Abbreviation)
Mono-(3-carboxypropyl) phthalate	mCPP	<i>Di-n-octyl phthalate (DOP), Dibutyl phthalate (DBP)</i>
Mono-ethyl phthalate	mEP	<i>Diethyl phthalate (DEP)</i>
Mono-(2-ethyl-5-carboxypentyl) phthalate	mECPP	<i>Di-2-ethylhexyl phthalate (DEHP)</i>
Mono- <i>n</i> -butyl phthalate	mBP	<i>Benzylbutyl phthalate (BzBP), Dibutyl phthalate (DBP)</i>
Mono-benzyl phthalate	mBzP	<i>Benzylbutyl phthalate (BzBP)</i>
Mono-cyclohexyl phthalate	mCHP	<i>Dicyclohexyl phthalate (DCHP)</i>
<b>Mono-(2-ethyl-5-hydroxyhexyl)phthalate</b>	<b>mEHHP</b>	<i>Di-2-ethylhexyl phthalate (DEHP)</i>
<b>Mono-(2-ethyl-5-oxohexyl) phthalate</b>	<b>mEOHP</b>	
<b>Mono-2-ethylhexyl phthalate</b>	<b>mEHP</b>	
<b>Mono- isobutyl phthalate</b>	<b>miBP</b>	<i>Di-isobutyl phthalate (DiBP)</i>

# Project Sample Analyses Status

Methods in Production	MIEEP (blood n=136) (urine n=89)	FOX (blood n=101) (urine n=101)	Pilot BEST (blood n=110) (urine n=109)
Metals in blood	136	101	110
Creatinine	89	101	109
Phthalate metabolites	89	101	109
OP specific metabolites, pyrethroids & herbicides	89	101	109
Environmental phenols	89	101	90
OH-PAHs	88	101	109
Metals in urine	89	101	109
Arsenic speciation*	13	29	29
Perchlorate	not requested	not requested	109

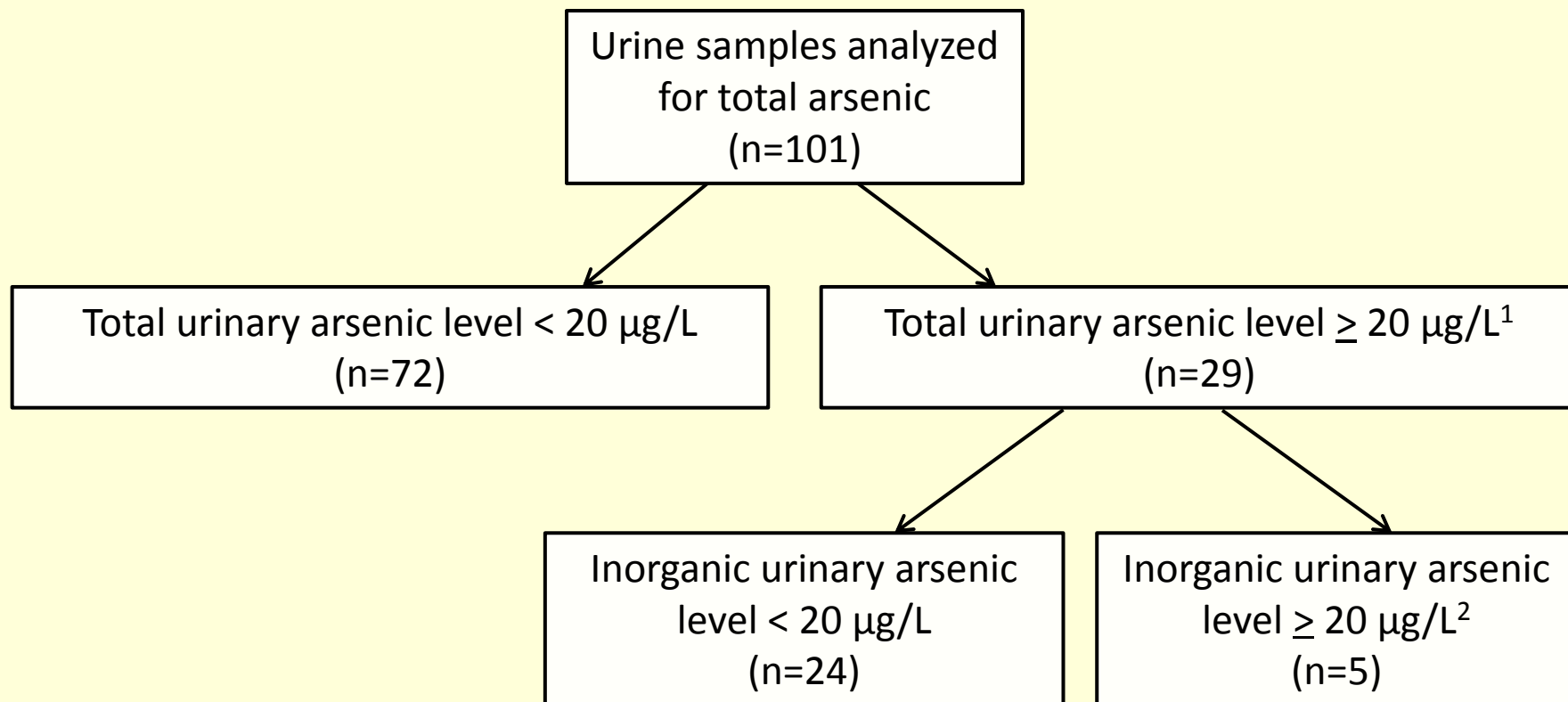
\*Samples are only analyzed if total urinary arsenic levels are  $\geq 20$   $\mu\text{g/L}$

# FOX Results: Metals in Urine



\*Total arsenic values are scaled down by a factor of 10

# FOX: Arsenic Speciation Analysis Protocol



<sup>1</sup> Total urinary arsenic trigger level for speciation is 20 µg/L; chosen to ensure analysis of any samples that may exceed 20 µg/L inorganic arsenic & related species.

<sup>2</sup> 20 µg/L corresponds approximately to the 95th percentile of the sum of inorganic arsenic & related species (As-III, As-V, MMA, and DMA [abbreviated here as "inorganic arsenic"]) from NHANES 2003-2004 (Caldwell et al., 2009).

# FOX Results:

## Elevated Inorganic Arsenic Levels



Category	Arsenic Species	Urinary Levels, ( $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) (range, n=5)
Inorganic arsenic & related species	Arsenous (III) acid	LOD - 3.22
	Arsenic (V) acid	all < LOD
	Monomethylarsonic acid	LOD - 6.05
	Dimethylarsinic acid	18.9 - 29.1
Organic arsenic	Arsenobetaine	2.54 - 18.2
	Arsenocholine	LOD - 1.94

\*Limit of detection (LOD) for all listed analytes is 1.00  $\mu\text{g/L}$

- A follow-up survey was offered to the 5 participants with urinary inorganic arsenic  $\geq 20 \mu\text{g/L}$  – survey results are being reviewed



# FOX Results:

## Elevated Total Arsenic Levels



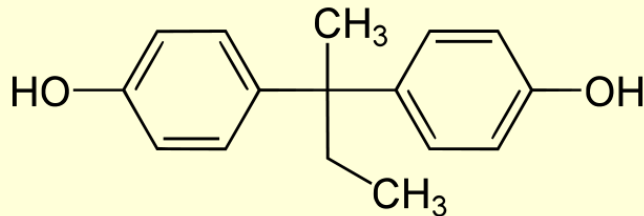
For the two participants with elevated **total** urinary arsenic ( $\geq 50 \mu\text{g}/\text{L}^1$ ):

- Arsenobetaine and arsenocholine were the major contributors to the total level
  - Recent fish or seafood consumption is the likely source of these organic arsenic species
- Inorganic arsenic levels were not elevated

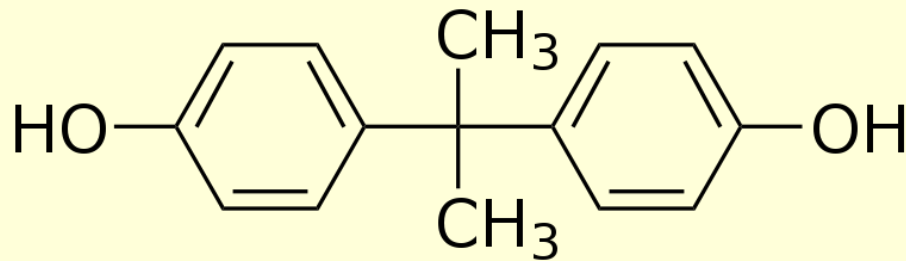
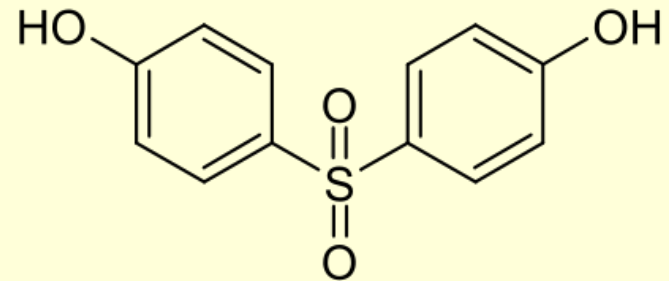
<sup>1</sup> Level of concern for total urinary arsenic established by CDC

# BPA Analogs Method\*

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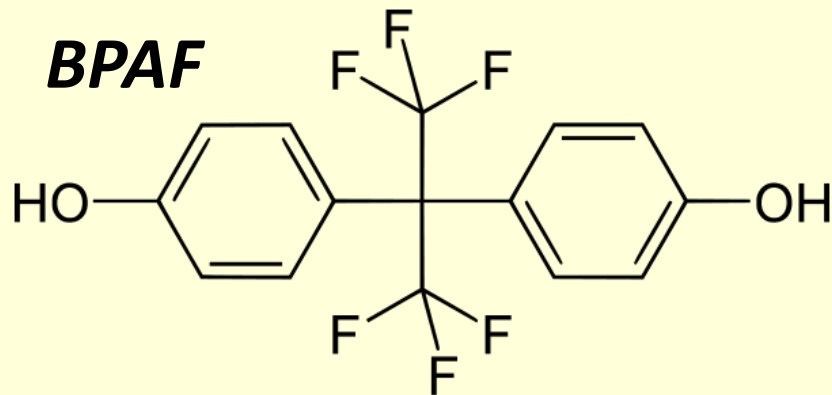


**BPS**

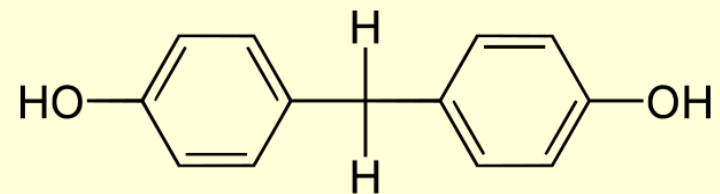


**BPA**

**BPAF**



**BPF**



\*p,p'-Bisphenols

# BPA Analogs Method\*

Full Analyte Name	Abbreviation	Precision (%RSD), n=6		Accuracy (% recovery), n=6	
		QC-10 ppb	QC-50 ppb	QC-10 ppb	QC-50 ppb
2,2-bis(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane	BPA	4	8	129	100
4,4'-[2,2,2-Trifluoro-1-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene]bisphenol	BPAF	10	25	98	92
4,4'-(1-Methylpropylidene)bisphenol	BPB	5	18	99	98
4,4'-Methylenebisphenol	BPF	5	4	91	104
4,4'-Sulfonylbisphenol	BPS	27	17	70	98

- Linear range for all listed analytes is 1-100 ppb

# Recent Publications

## ❖ Manuscripts published (2013)

- Determination of essential and toxic metals in blood by ICP-MS with calibration in synthetic matrix ([Gajek et al.](#))
- Matrix effects in analysis of dialkyl phosphate metabolites of organophosphate pesticides in urine by gas chromatography/tandem mass spectrometer ([Wang et al.](#))
- A Comprehensive Workflow of Mass Spectrometry-Based Untargeted Metabolomics in Cancer Metabolic Biomarker Discovery Using Human Plasma and Urine ([Zou et al.](#))
- Development of HPLC-MS/MS method for the simultaneous determination of environmental phenols in human urine ([Gavin et al.](#))

❖ Visit the [Biomonitoring CA website](#) for a list of all publications

# Future Work



- Submit all data results for Pilot BEST & start analyses for Expanded BEST samples
- Analyze laboratory collaboration samples
- Complete validation for BPA analogs method
- Explore bundling OP flame retardants method with current DAPs and OP specific metabolites methods