

BIOMARKER GROUPS

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NHANES* Cycle

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Adducts			●	●				●,+	●	●
Tobacco Alkaloids and Metabolites	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●,+	●,+	●
Tobacco-Specific Nitrosamines (TSNAs)					●	●	●	●		
Volatile N-Nitrosamines (VNAs)								●,+		
Disinfection By-Products		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Personal Care and Consumer Product Chemicals and Metabolites			●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Flame Retardant Metabolites							●	●	●	●
Fungicides and Metabolites			●	●	●	●				
Herbicides and Metabolites	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Sulfonyl Urea Herbicides			●	●	●					
Insect Repellent and Metabolites					●	●	●	●	●	
Neonicotinoid Insecticides									●	
Carbamate Pesticide Metabolites	●	●	●							
Organophosphorus Insecticides: Specific Metabolites	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Organophosphorus Insecticides: Dialkyl Phosphate Metabolites	●	●	●	●	●		●		●	●
Pyrethroid Metabolites	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	
Organochlorine Pesticide Metabolites: Urine			●	●	●	●				
Organochlorine Pesticides and Metabolites: Serum	●	●	●	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers and PBB 153			●	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Polychlorinated Dibenzo-p-Dioxins	●	●	●	▲	▲	▲	▲			

● Individual data [^]	⊕ Individual data from a special sample of smokers and non-smokers [†]	▲ Pooled data [§]
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Polychlorinated Dibenzofurans	●	●	●	▲	▲	▲	▲			
Polychlorinated Biphenyls: Coplanar PCBs (Dioxin-Like)	●	●	●	▲	▲	▲	▲			
Polychlorinated Biphenyls: Mono- Ortho-Substituted PCBs (Dioxin-Like)	●	●	●	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Polychlorinated Biphenyls: Non-Dioxin-Like	●	●	●	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	
Metals and Metalloids	●	●	●	●	●	●	●,+	●,+	●,+	●
Perchlorate and Other Anions		●	●	●	●	●	●,+	●,+	●,+	●
Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances: Surfactants	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances: Urine								●		
Phthalate and Phthalate Alternative Metabolites	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Phytoestrogens and Metabolites	●	●	●	●	●	●				
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon Metabolites		●	●	●	●	●	●,+	●	●	
Heterocyclic Amines								●,+		
Terpenes								●		
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)		●	●	●	●	●	●	●,+	●,+	●
Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Metabolites				●			●,+	●,+	●,+	●
Aldehydes								●,+		
Aromatic Amines								●,+		
Aromatic Diamines									●	
Sex Steroid Hormones								●	●	

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