

Supplementary Table. Multiple regressions of the combined study groups

Across districts (men + women)				
Response variable	Homogeneity of slope (p value)	Common slope, Estimate (SE), p value	Common intercept (p value)	R ²
AhR-TEQ (n=254)				
∑ PCB 14	0.80	-0.09 (0.04), 0.03	<0.001	0.22
∑ pesticide	0.73	-0.09 (0.04), 0.02	<0.001	0.23
∑ POP	0.74	-0.1 (0.04), 0.02	<0.001	0.22
AhRcomp (n=327)				
∑ PCB 14	0.01	-*	-*	-*
∑ pesticide	0.02	-*	-*	-*
∑ POP	0.02	-*	-*	-*
Across districts (men only)				
AhR-TEQ (n=135)				
∑ PCB 14	0.71	-0.12 (0.07), 0.10	<0.001	0.21
∑ pesticide	0.45	-0.11 (0.06), 0.07	<0.001	0.22
∑ POP	0.56	-0.12 (0.07), 0.07	<0.001	0.21
AhRcomp (n=164)				
∑ PCB 14	0.77	-0.06 (0.04), 0.13	<0.001	0.30
∑ pesticide	0.45	-0.007 (0.03), 0.03	<0.001	0.29
∑ POP	0.77	-0.006 (0.04), 0.08	<0.001	0.30
Across districts (women only)				
AhR-TEQ (n=119)				
∑ PCB 14	0.22	-0.03 (0.06), 0.61	<0.001	0.19
∑ pesticide	0.11	-0.04 (0.06), 0.54	<0.001	0.20
∑ POP	0.14	-0.04 (0.06), 0.54	<0.001	-0.19**
AhRcomp (n=163)				
∑ PCB 14	0.25	-0.04 (0.05), 0.34	0.93	-0.01**
∑ pesticide	0.23	-0.05 (0.04), 0.26	0.94	-0.01**
∑ POP	0.24	-0.05 (0.05), 0.30	0.93	-0.01**
Across sexes (all districts)				
AhR-TEQ (n=254)				
∑ PCB 14	0.13	-0.08 (0.04), 0.05	0.33	0.02
∑ pesticide	0.11	-0.10 (0.04), 0.01	0.47	0.03
∑ POP	0.13	-0.1 (0.04), 0.02	0.35	0.03
AhRcomp (n=327)				
∑ PCB 14	0.27	-0.07 (0.02), 0.006	0.001	0.08
∑ pesticide	0.31	-0.07 (0.02), 0.003	0.001	0.08
∑ POP	0.28	-0.07 (0.02), 0.004	0.001	0.08

Both AhR activities and POPs are ln transformed. Homogeneity of slope: test for homogeneity of association between exposure variables and outcome variables across the study group (p > 0.05, accept the hypotheses of homogeneity of slope). Common slope: the estimated common slope across study groups assuming homogeneity (p > 0.05, accept the hypotheses that slope equals to zero). Common intercept: test of a common intercept across study groups assuming a common slope (p > 0.05, accept the hypotheses having common intercept across the study groups). R² (Adjusted R square) assumes a common slope. Bold values are those showing significance.

*: Since heterogeneity of slope exists between POPs and AhRcomp across the districts, i.e. there were district differences in the associations of POP and AhRcomp, no further evaluation was performed.

** : equals to zero