

**Supplementary Table S1: Correlation Coefficients for Plasma Water T<sub>2</sub>**

<u>Biomarker</u> <sup>1,2,3</sup>	<u>n</u>	<u>r (Pearson)</u>	<u>ρ (Spearman)</u>	<u>M-value (Huber)</u>
<b>Insulin and Glucose Markers</b>				
Insulin C-peptide	70	-0.63*****	-0.58*****	-0.65*****
HOMA-IR <sup>4</sup> (insulin c-peptide)	70	-0.62*****	-0.58*****	-0.64*****
McAuley Index <sup>4</sup>	70	+0.61*****	+0.62*****	+0.64*****
Insulin	70	-0.57*****	-0.53*****	-0.57*****
HOMA-IR <sup>4</sup> (insulin)	70	-0.54*****	-0.46***	-0.56*****
QUICKI <sup>4</sup>	70	+0.56*****	+0.53*****	+0.60*****
FIRI <sup>4</sup>	70	-0.56*****	-0.51*****	-0.58*****
Glucose/Insulin ratio <sup>4</sup>	70	+0.56*****	+0.52*****	+0.55*****
Proinsulin	42	-0.53***	-0.44**	-0.53***
HbA1c	69	-0.47***	-0.50*****	-0.54*****
Glucose	70	-0.26*	-0.28*	-0.28*
<b>Protein, Viscosity &amp; Liver Markers</b>				
Total protein, serum	69	-0.54*****	-0.56*****	-0.56*****
Serum globulins	69	-0.49*****	-0.51*****	-0.53*****
Serum % globulins	69	-0.37**	-0.39***	-0.46*****
Serum viscosity	65	-0.35**	-0.32**	-0.30*
Total protein, plasma	41	-0.54***	-0.57*****	-0.55***
Plasma globulins	41	-0.67*****	-0.68*****	-0.66*****
Plasma % globulins	41	-0.58*****	-0.51***	-0.56***
Plasma viscosity	51	-0.54*****	-0.53*****	-0.47***
γ-glutamyl transferase (GGT)	69	-0.39***	-0.38**	-0.37**
Alanine aminotransferase (ALT)	52	-0.32*	-0.33*	-0.37*
Serine (Ser)	55	+0.54*****	+0.54*****	+0.55*****
Asparagine (Asn)	55	+0.47***	+0.48***	+0.36**
Glutamine (Gln)	55	+0.34*	+0.34*	+0.28*
Threonine (Thr)	55	+0.30*	+0.29*	+0.29*
β-Alanine	55	+0.35*	+0.33*	+0.27*
<b>Lipid &amp; Lipoprotein Markers</b>				
Apolipoprotein B (apo B)	70	-0.53*****	-0.56*****	-0.55*****
Non-HDL-cholesterol	70	-0.53*****	-0.55*****	-0.52*****
LDL-cholesterol (LDL-C)	70	-0.51*****	-0.53*****	-0.50*****

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<b>Lipid &amp; Lipoprotein Markers (con't)</b>				
Total cholesterol	70	-0.50*****	-0.53*****	-0.50*****
LDL particle number (LDL-P)	70	-0.48*****	-0.52*****	-0.52*****
Triglycerides (TG)	70	-0.47*****	-0.48*****	-0.54*****
VLDL-cholesterol (VLDL-C)	63	-0.40**	-0.40**	-0.44***
Remnant-cholesterol (Rem-C) <sup>5</sup>	63	-0.39**	-0.43***	-0.44***
<b>Inflammation/Blood Cell Markers</b>				
White blood cell count (WBC)	69	-0.56*****	-0.52*****	-0.58*****
Neutrophil count	69	-0.49***	-0.43***	-0.41***
Platelet count	69	-0.35**	-0.36**	-0.42***
Lymphocyte count	69	-0.31**	-0.32**	-0.40***
Monocyte count	69	-0.29*	-0.28*	-0.29*
Red cell distribution width (RDW)	69	-0.24*	-0.31**	-0.33**
Mean corpuscular volume (MCV)	69	+0.25*	+0.26*	+0.28*
Mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH)	69	+0.25*	+0.24*	+0.26*
C-reactive protein (CRP)	69	-0.49*****	-0.47*****	-0.51*****
Fibrinogen	43	-0.68*****	-0.67*****	-0.65*****
Complement C3c	40	-0.53***	-0.54***	-0.52***
Complement C4c	40	-0.45**	-0.50***	-0.59*****
Platelet activator inhibitor-1 (PAI-1)	43	-0.50***	-0.38*	-0.35*
α1-acid glycoprotein	42	-0.39*	-0.38*	-0.38*
Haptoglobin	41	-0.45**	-0.34*	-0.21(ns)
Interleukin-6 (IL-6)	35	-0.39*	-0.43**	-0.33*
<b>Electrolyte Markers</b>				
Lactate	41	-0.49**	-0.49**	-0.53***
Anion Gap, uncorrected	69	-0.43***	-0.49*****	-0.55*****
Anion Gap, corrected for albumin	68	-0.41***	-0.46*****	-0.44***
Cl <sup>-</sup> + CO <sub>2</sub> (HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> )	69	+0.41***	+0.40***	+0.36**
<b>Other Markers</b>				
Serum T <sub>2</sub>	67	+0.80*****	+0.79*****	+0.81*****
Plasma T <sub>1</sub>	70	+0.46*****	+0.54*****	+0.55*****

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### Footnotes

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<sup>5</sup>Remnant cholesterol is defined as intermediate-density lipoprotein (IDL) plus VLDL<sub>3</sub>, as determined using the Vertical Autoprofile method (112).

**Supplementary Table S2: Correlation Coefficients for Serum Water T<sub>2</sub>**

Biomarker <sup>1,2,3</sup>	n	r (Pearson)	ρ (Spearman)	M-value (Huber)
<b>Insulin &amp; Glucose Markers</b>				
McAuley Index <sup>4</sup>	69	+0.58*****	+0.61*****	+0.70*****
Insulin	69	-0.54*****	-0.52*****	-0.60*****
HOMA-IR <sup>4</sup> (insulin)	69	-0.52*****	-0.49*****	-0.58*****
QUICKI <sup>4</sup>	69	+0.55*****	+0.52*****	+0.57*****
FIRI <sup>4</sup>	69	-0.55*****	-0.52*****	-0.59*****
Glucose/Insulin ratio <sup>4</sup>	69	+0.53*****	+0.52*****	+0.58*****
Insulin c-peptide	69	-0.50*****	-0.47*****	-0.45*****
HOMA-IR <sup>4</sup> (c-peptide)	69	-0.50*****	-0.47***	-0.46*****
Proinsulin	43	-0.55***	-0.49**	-0.60***
HbA1c	68	-0.36***	-0.40*****	-0.43*****
Glucose	69	-0.28*	-0.28*	-0.28*
<b>Protein, Viscosity &amp; Liver Markers</b>				
Total protein, serum	68	-0.76*****	-0.78*****	-0.79*****
Serum globulins	68	-0.59*****	-0.63*****	-0.65*****
Serum % globulins	68	-0.40***	-0.45***	-0.50*****
Serum viscosity	67	-0.46*****	-0.44***	-0.45***
Total protein, plasma	42	-0.70*****	-0.72*****	-0.72*****
Plasma globulins	42	-0.72*****	-0.74*****	-0.69*****
Plasma % globulins	42	-0.53***	-0.51***	-0.45**
Plasma viscosity	52	-0.50***	-0.56*****	-0.56*****
Immunoglobulin G (IgG)	44	-0.48***	-0.47**	-0.66*****
Alanine aminotransferase (ALT)	50	-0.31*	-0.33*	-0.35**
Tyrosine (Tyr)	54	-0.43**	-0.42**	-0.43***
1-Methyl-Histidine	54	+0.28*	+0.33*	+0.32*
<b>Lipid &amp; Lipoprotein Markers</b>				
Apolipoprotein B (apoB)	69	-0.53*****	-0.54*****	-0.52*****
Non-HDL-cholesterol	69	-0.56*****	-0.55*****	-0.52*****
LDL-cholesterol (LDL-C)	69	-0.55*****	-0.52*****	-0.53*****
Total cholesterol	69	-0.54*****	-0.51*****	-0.51*****
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Triglycerides (TG)	69	-0.44***	-0.48*****	-0.54*****
VLDL-cholesterol (VLDL-C)	62	-0.44***	-0.43***	-0.49*****
Remnant-cholesterol (Rem-C) <sup>5</sup>	62	-0.46***	-0.46***	-0.53*****
LpPLA2	68	+0.26*	+0.29*	+0.29*

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<b>Inflammation &amp; Blood Cell Markers</b>				
White blood cell count (WBC)	68	-0.42***	-0.42***	-0.47****
Neutrophil count	68	-0.34**	-0.31*	-0.37**
Lymphocyte count	68	-0.33**	-0.32**	-0.36**
Red blood cell count	68	-0.28*	-0.24*	-0.26*
Hematocrit	68	-0.25*	-0.24 (ns)	-0.26*
C-reactive protein (CRP)	68	-0.25*	-0.29*	-0.31**
Fibrinogen	44	-0.48**	-0.44**	-0.40**
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**Supplementary Table S3:**  
**Principal Components Analysis with Variable Clustering**

<u>Cluster</u>	<u>Most Representative Variable</u>	<u>Other variables in cluster</u>
1	insulin c-peptide	insulin, proinsulin, glucose, ALT, GGT, RDW
2	plasma globulins	serum globulins, serum %globulins, plasma %globulins
3	serum viscosity	plasma viscosity, total plasma protein
4	serum water T <sub>2</sub>	serum T <sub>1</sub> , total serum protein
5	non-HDL-cholesterol	LDL-C, IDL-C, VLDL-C, total cholesterol, TG, apolipoprotein B, LDL-P, phospholipids
6	white blood cell count	neutrophil & platelet counts, C-reactive protein, erythrocyte sedimentation rate, haptoglobin
7	fibrinogen	complement C3c, C4c, IL-6, Ser, Asn, Thr, plasma water T <sub>2</sub>
8	mean corpuscular hemoglobin	lymphocyte count
9	Cl <sup>-</sup> + CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	anion gap, anion gap corrected for [albumin]

**Supplementary Table S4: Multiple Regression Models for Plasma Water T<sub>2</sub>**

<u>Model</u>	<u>R<sup>2</sup><sub>adj.</sub> (observations)<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Predictor Variables</u>	<u>Coefficients</u>	<u>p values</u>
1	0.67 (68)	ln insulin c-peptide	-48.9 ± 10.1	<0.0001
		total serum protein	-46.6 ± 10.5	<0.0001
		total cholesterol	-0.3 ± 0.1	0.0048
		ln WBC count	-69.4 ± 18.6	<0.0001
		y-intercept	1330.9 ± 74.1	<0.0001
2	0.72 (41)	ln insulin c-peptide	-46.2 ± 14.2	0.0024
		total plasma protein	-40.1 ± 13.0	0.0039
		apolipoprotein B	-0.7 ± 0.2	0.0025
		ln WBC count	-56.8 ± 23.3	0.0200
		y-intercept	1256.8 ± 95.7	<0.0001
3	0.72 (41)	ln insulin c-peptide	-44.7 ± 14.1	0.0031
		plasma globulins	-66.3 ± 15.6	0.0001
		apolipoprotein B	-0.8 ± 0.2	0.0008
		y-intercept	1058.4 ± 45.4	<0.0001
4	0.75 (41)	ln insulin c-peptide	-32.1 ± 14.6	0.0345
		plasma globulins	-57.9 ± 15.4	0.0006
		apolipoprotein B	-0.7 ± 0.2	0.0013
		ln fibrinogen	-55.2 ± 25.0	0.0339
		y-intercept	1330.2 ± 130.6	<0.0001

<sup>1</sup>Models 2, 3 and 4 included predictor variables that were collected during phase 2 only (n=42), while model 1 used only variables that were collected during *both* phase 1 and phase 2 of the study (n=72). R<sup>2</sup><sub>adj.</sub> is the R<sup>2</sup> value adjusted for the number of predictor variables.

**Supplementary Table S5: Multiple Regression Models for Serum Water T<sub>2</sub>**

<u>Model</u>	<u>R<sup>2</sup><sub>adj.</sub> (observations)<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Predictor Variables</u>	<u>Coefficients</u>	<u>p values</u>
1	0.71 (67)	ln insulin	-16.3 ± 7.7	0.0374
		total serum protein	-89.2 ± 10.5	<0.0001
		LDL-P	-0.04 ± 0.01	0.0002
		y-intercept	1544.2 ± 70.2	<0.0001
2	0.72 (68)	ln insulin c-peptide	-23.6 ± 9.3	0.0137
		total serum protein	-93.2 ± 9.8	<0.0001
		apolipoprotein B	-0.65 ± 0.16	0.0001
		y-intercept	1557.8 ± 68.0	<0.0001
3	0.75 (41)	lactate	-19.2 ± 8.6	0.0309
		total serum protein	-89.9 ± 13.1	<0.0001
		apolipoprotein B	-0.92 ± 0.19	<0.0001
		y-intercept	1584.4 ± 89.2	<0.0001
4	0.76 (41)	McAuley Index	9.6 ± 2.6	0.0007
		total serum protein	-89.3 ± 12.7	<0.0001
		ln fibrinogen	-69.9 ± 20.5	0.0015
		y-intercept	1774.8 ± 164.8	<0.0001

<sup>1</sup>Models 3 and 4 included predictor variables that were collected during phase 2 only (n=42), while models 1 and 2 used variables that were collected during both phase 1 and phase 2 of the study (n=72). R<sup>2</sup><sub>adj.</sub> is the R<sup>2</sup> value adjusted for the number of predictor variables.