

**N-3 POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS STIMULATE BILE ACID DETOXIFICATION IN HUMAN  
CELL MODELS.**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS**

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ASBT,	apical sodium-dependent bile acid transporter
BACAT,	bile acid-Coenzyme A dehydrogenase: amino acid n-acyltransferase
BACL,	bile acid-CoA ligase
BAs,	bile acids
BSEP,	bile salt export pump
CA,	cholic acid
Caco2,	human epithelial colorectal adenocarcinoma cells
CDCA,	chenodeoxycholic acid
CYP,	cytochrome P450
CYP27A1,	sterol 27-hydroxylase
CYP3A4,	cytochrome P450 3A4
CYP7A1,	cholesterol 7 $\alpha$ -hydroxylase
CYP8B1,	12 $\alpha$ -hydroxylase
DCA,	deoxycholic acid
DHA,	docosahexaenoic acid
DMEM,	Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium
DMEM/HAM-F-12,	Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium and Ham's F-12 Nutrient Mixture
EPA,	eicosapentaenoic acid
FACS,	fluorescence-activated cell sorting
FBS,	fetal bovine serum
FGFR4,	fibroblast growth factor receptor 4
FGF-19,	fibroblast growth factor 19
FXR,	farnesoid X-receptor
GBA,	glyco-conjugated bile acid
HCA,	hyocholic acid

HDCA,	hyodeoxycholic acid
HepG2,	human hepatocellular liver carcinoma cells
HNF4 $\alpha$ ,	hepatic nuclear factor-4
I-BABP,	intestinales bile acid-binding protein
InEpC,	Intestinal Epithelial Cells
KCA,	ketocholeic acid
LCA,	lithocholic acid
LCA-S,	lithocholic acid sulfate
LC-MS/MS,	liquid chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry
LRH-1,	Liver receptor homologue-1
LXR $\alpha$ ,	liver X-receptor alpha
MRP,	multi-drug resistance protein
NR,	nuclear receptor
NTCP,	Na <sup>+</sup> Taurocholate cotransporting polypeptide
N-3 PUFAs,	polyunsaturated fatty acids
OATP,	organic anion transporting polypeptide
OST $\alpha/\beta$ ,	organic solute transporter alpha/beta
PBC,	primary biliary cholangitis
PI,	propidium iodine
PPAR $\alpha$ ,	peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors alpha
PSC,	primary sclerosing cholangitis
PUM-1,	pumilio RNA-binding family member 1
PXR,	pregnane X-receptor
qRT-PCR,	quantitative reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction
RPTEC,	renal proximal tubule epithelial cells

RT,	reverse transcription
RXR,	retinoid X receptor
SHP,	small heterodimer partner
SmGM,	smooth Muscle Growth SingleQuote Medium
SULT,	sulfotransferase
TBA,	tauro-conjugated bile acid
TGR5,	G-protein-coupled bile acid receptor Gpbar1
UDCA,	ursodeoxycholic acid

**Supplementary Table 1: Primers and conditions used for quantitative real-time PCR experiments.**

Gene	Primers	Annealing Temperature (°C)	RT dilution
ASBT	Sense: 5'-TGACCACATGCTCCACACTG Antisense: 5'-CCCAGAGTCGACCCACATTT	62°C	Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/25 RPTEC 1/50
BACAT	Sense: 5'-CTGCCAACTTTCTCCTGAGACA Antisense: 5'-CCAATCTGTACTCCTTGACATACA	60°C	HepG2 1/200
BACL	Sense: 5'-GTGGAGGGCGTGTGTCGCA Antisense: 5'-CCGTGCGAAAGTCTGGCCGGG	62°C	HepG2 1/200
BSEP	Sense: 5'-GGGCCATTGTACGAGATCCTAA Antisense: 5'-TGCACCGTCTTTTCACTTTCTG	61°C	HepG2 1/50
CYP3A4	Sense: 5'-CCAAGCTATGCTCTTCACCG Antisense: 5'-TCAGGCTCCACTTACGGTGC	65°C	HepG2 1/50 RPTEC 1/50
CYP27	Sense: 5'-CGGCAACGGAGCTTAGAGG Antisense: 5'-GGCATAGCCTTGAACGAACAG	60°C	HepG2 1/200
CYP7A1	Sense: 5'-AGAAGCATTGACCCGATGGAT Antisense: 5'-AGCGGTCTTTGAGTTAGAGGA	59°C	HepG2 1/50
CYP8B1	Sense: 5'-GAAGCGCATGAGGACCAAG Antisense: 5'-TTGCATATTGCCCAAAGTCTAGT	59°C	HepG2 1/50
FGF19	Sense: 5'-CGGAGGAAGACTGTGCTTTTCG Antisense: 5'-CTCGGATCGGTACACATTGTAG	62°C	HepG2 1/50 Caco-2 1/200 InEpC 1/25 RPTEC 1/50
FGFR4	Sense: 5'-GAGGGGCCGCCTAGAGATT Antisense: 5'-CAGGACGATCATGGAGCCT	62°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/200 InEpC 1/25 RPTEC 1/50
FXR	Sense: 5'-GGTGTTTTAACAGAACAAGTGCC Antisense: 5'-ACATTGCTGTATTGCGAGTATGG	60°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/25 RPTEC 1/500
HNF4 $\alpha$	Sense: 5'-CGACACGTCCCCATCAGAAG Antisense: 5'-CTCGAGGCACCGTAGTGTTT	60°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/500 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/100
IBABP	Sense: 5'-ACCGGCAAGTTCGAGATGG Antisense: 5'-CCTTTTCGATTACATCGCTGGA	60°C	Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/25
$\beta$ KLOTHO	Sense: 5'-TTGCCAACGCAAAGGTCTG Antisense: 5'-GCCAAAGGCAAATCCCAGTG	60°C	HepG2 1/500 Caco-2 1/500 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/100
LRH	Sense: 5'-GAATGCGTGGAGGAAGGAATAA Antisense: 5'-GTCAGAGGGCATAGCTTGGAT	60°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/500 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/50
LXR $\alpha$	Sense: 5'-GCTGCAAGTGAATTCATCAACC Antisense: 5'-ATATGTGTGCTGCAGCCTCTCCA	64°C	HepG2 1/100 Caco-2 1/500 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/50
Gene	Primers	Annealing Temperature	RT dilution

		(°C)	
MRP2	Sense: 5'-CAAACCTCTATCTTGCTAAGCAGG Antisense: 5'-TGAGTACAAGGGCCAGCTCTA	59°C	HepG2 1/1000 Caco-2 1/1000 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/50
MRP3	Sense: 5'-CAGAGAAGGTGCAGGTGACA Antisense: 5'-CTAAAGCAGCATAGACGCCC	59°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/100 RPTEC 1/50
MRP4	Sense: 5'-GGACAAAGACAACCTGGTGTGCC Antisense: 5'-AATGGTTAGCACGGTGCAGTGG	64°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/1000 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/500
NTCP	Sense: 5'-TGATATCACTGGTCCTGGTTCTCA Antisense: 5'-GCATGTATTGTGGCCGTTTG	61°C	HepG2 1/50
OATP1B1	Sense: 5'-TGGTCCACCAACAACCTGTGGCA Antisense: 5'-AGACAAGCCCAAGTAGACCCCTTGAA	60°C	HepG2 1/50
OATP1B3	Sense: 5'-AAGTTGTGCTTTGCGATGCTGAGT Antisense: 5'-GTCAGGCCCTCTAGGAGGTGGG	62°C	HepG2 1/50
OST $\alpha$	Sense: 5'-AGATTGCTTGTTCGCCTCC Antisense: 5'-ATTCGTGTCAGCACAGTCATTAG	59°C	HepG2 1/50 Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/50
OST $\beta$	Sense: 5'-CAGGAGCTGCTGGAAGAGAT Antisense: 5'-GACCATGCTTATAATGACCACCA	59°C	HepG2 1/50 Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/50
PPAR $\alpha$	Sense: 5'-ATATCTCCCTTTTTGTGGCTGCTA Antisense: 5'-TCCGACTCCGTCTTCTTGATGA	60°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/100 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/100
PUM1	Sense: 5'-CCGTCCGAAAGTCTGGCCGGG Antisense: 5'-CATTAAATTACCTGCTGGTCTGAAGGA	62°C	All cells: 1/50
PXR	Sense: 5'-GACAGTGCCAGGCCTGCCGCC Antisense: 5'-CATCTGAGCGTCCATCAGCTCC	62°C	HepG2 1/100 Caco-2 1/100 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/50
RXR	Sense: 5'-ATGGACACCAAACATTTCTCTGC Antisense: 5'-GGGAGCTGATGACCGAGAAAG	62°C	HepG2 1/100 Caco-2 1/200 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/200
SHP	Sense: 5'-GTGCCCAGCATACTCAAGAAG Antisense: 5'-TGGGGTCTGTCTGGCAGTT	60°C	HepG2 1/1000 Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/25 RPTEC 1/50
SULT2A1	Sense: 5'-ACGGATTTCGAGGCCACGTCC Antisense: 5'-TCCGTTTCACTGAGTGCTGTA	62°C	HepG2 1/200 Caco-2 1/500 InEpC 1/50 RPTEC 1/200
TGR5	Sense: 5'-GACTTTGGACCATGAAGACCAG Antisense: 5'-GCCCAGACGGAAGTTTCTTATT	60°C	HepG2 1/50 Caco-2 1/50 InEpC 1/25 RPTEC 1/200

### SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE LEGENDS

**Supplementary Figure 1. Dose-dependent and gene-specific modulation of the bile acid-related transcriptome in human hepatoma HepG2 cells treated with EPA and DHA.**

HepG2 cells were treated with DMSO (vehicle, 0.1% v/v) or DHA or EPA for 24H at 5, 15, 25 and 50  $\mu$ M for mRNA measurements. Total RNA was extracted using the TriReagent® protocol to further measure mRNA levels by quantitative real time PCR as detailed in the materials and methods section.

Each data point represents the mean $\pm$ S.D. of triplicate experiments. The results are representative of two independent experiments. Statistically significant differences were analyzed using one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) (\*  $p < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary Figure 2. Time-dependent and gene-specific modulation of the bile acid-related transcriptome in human HepG2 cells treated with EPA and DHA.**

HepG2 cells were treated with DMSO (vehicle, 0.1% v/v) or DHA or EPA at 50  $\mu$ M for 6, 12, 18, 24 and 48H for mRNA measurements. Total RNA was extracted using the TriReagent® protocol to further measure mRNA levels by quantitative real time PCR as detailed in the materials and methods section.

Each data point represents the mean $\pm$ S.D. of triplicate experiments. The results are representative of two independent experiments. Statistically significant differences were analyzed using one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) (\*  $p < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary Figure 3. Additive and/or synergistic effects of the EPA+DHA combination on the bile acid-related transcriptome in human hepatoma HepG2 cells.**

HepG2 cells were treated with DMSO (vehicle, 0.1% v/v) or DHA and/or EPA for 24H at 25 and/or 50  $\mu$ M for mRNA measurements. Total RNA was extracted using the TriReagent® protocol to further measure mRNA levels by quantitative real time PCR as detailed in the materials and methods section.

Each data point represents the mean $\pm$ S.D. of triplicate experiments. The results are representative of two independent experiments. Statistically significant differences were analyzed using one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) (\*  $p < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary Figure 4. Preparation of the PUFA solution has minimum impact on the response of BA-related genes in HepG2 cells.**

HepG2 cells were exposed to EPA/DHA (25/25 or 50/50 $\mu$ M) prepared either in DMSO or in culture medium containing 125 $\mu$ M BSA for 24H. Total RNA was extracted using the TriReagent® protocol and CYP7A1, CYP27 and MRP3 mRNA levels were determined by quantitative real time PCR as detailed in the materials and methods section.

Statistically significant differences were analyzed using one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) (\*  $p < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary Figure 5. Time-dependent effects of n-3 PUFAs on the bile acid-induced activation of the pro-apoptotic Caspase 3 pathway in human hepatoma HepG2 cells.**

HepG2 cells pretreated with DMSO (vehicle, 0.1% v/v) and DHA/EPA (50/50 $\mu$ M) (**A**): for 24H and exposed to 100  $\mu$ M BAs (CA, CDCA, LCA, CDA) for 0,5, 1, 2, 3, 6 and 24H, (**B**): for 3, 6, 16 and 24H and exposed to 100  $\mu$ M BA (CA, CDCA, LCA, CDA) for 2H. The caspase-3 activity was determined as indicated in the materials and methods section.

The results (mean $\pm$ S.D.) are representative of two independent experiments. Statistical differences between two groups were analyzed using unpaired two-side *t*-test *versus* vehicle (\*) or BAs ( $\pm$ ) ( $p < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary Figure 6. Dose-dependent and additive/synergistic effects of EPA and/or DHA on the bile acid-related transcriptome in human colon carcinoma Caco-2 cells.**

Human colon carcinoma Caco-2 were treated with DMSO (vehicle, 0.1% v/v) or DHA and/or EPA for 24H at 10, 25 and/or 50 $\mu$ M for mRNA measurements. Total RNA was extracted using the TriReagent® protocol to further measure mRNA levels by quantitative real time PCR as detailed in the materials and methods section.



Each data point represents the mean±S.D. of triplicate experiments. The results are representative of two independent experiments. Statistically significant differences were analyzed using one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) (\*  $p < 0.05$ ).

**Supplementary Figure 7. Time-dependent and gene-specific modulation of the bile acid-related transcriptome in colon carcinoma Caco-2 cells treated with EPA and DHA.**

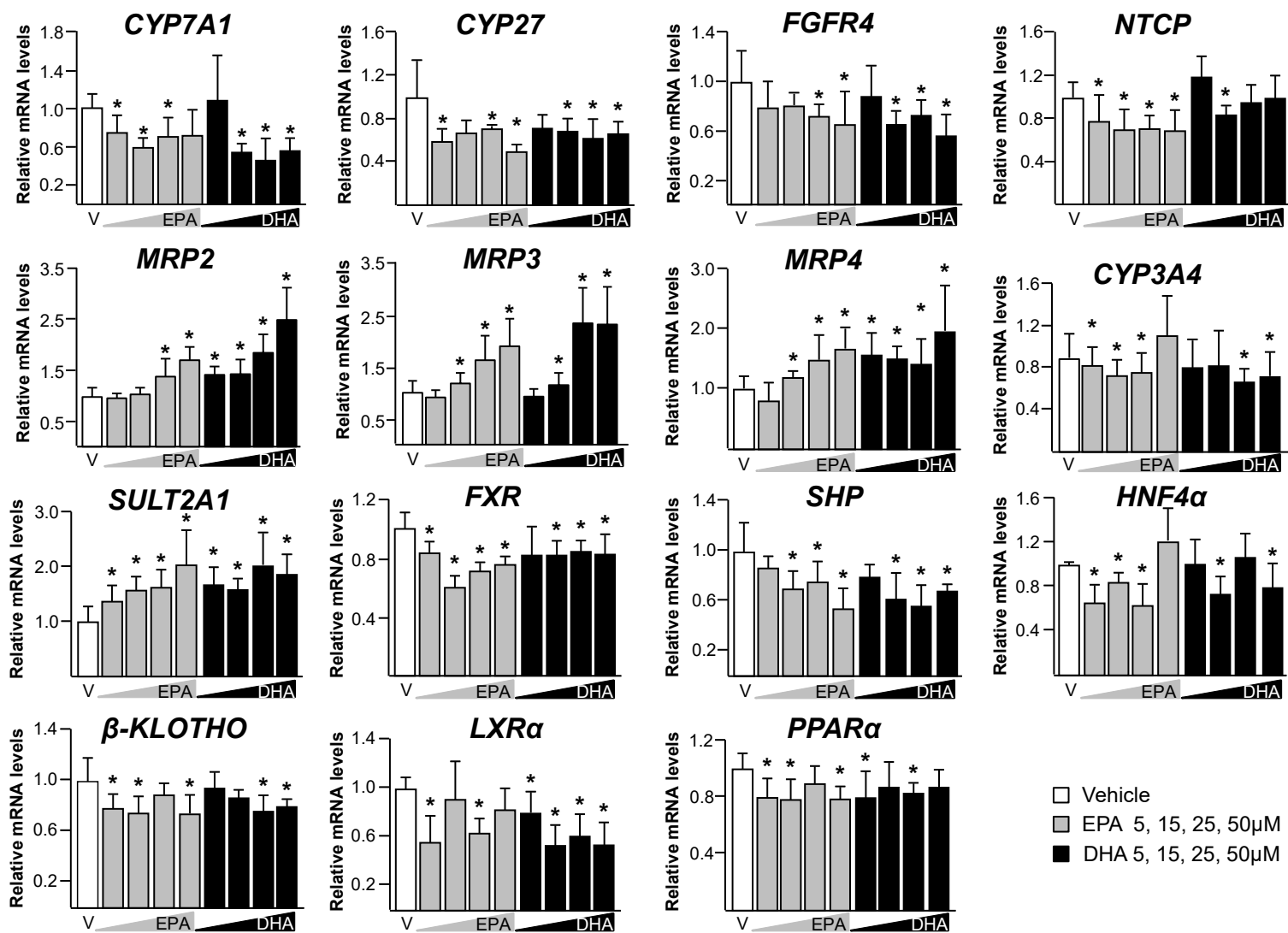
Human colon carcinoma Caco-2 were treated with DMSO (vehicle, 0.1% v/v) or DHA and EPA at 50 and 25µM respectively for 6, 12, 18, 24 and 48H for mRNA measurements. Total RNA was extracted using the TriReagent® protocol to further measure mRNA levels by quantitative real time PCR as detailed in the materials and methods section.

Each data point represents the mean±S.D. of triplicate experiments. The results are representative of two independent experiments. Statistical differences between two groups were analyzed using unpaired two-side *t*-test ( $p < 0.05$ ).

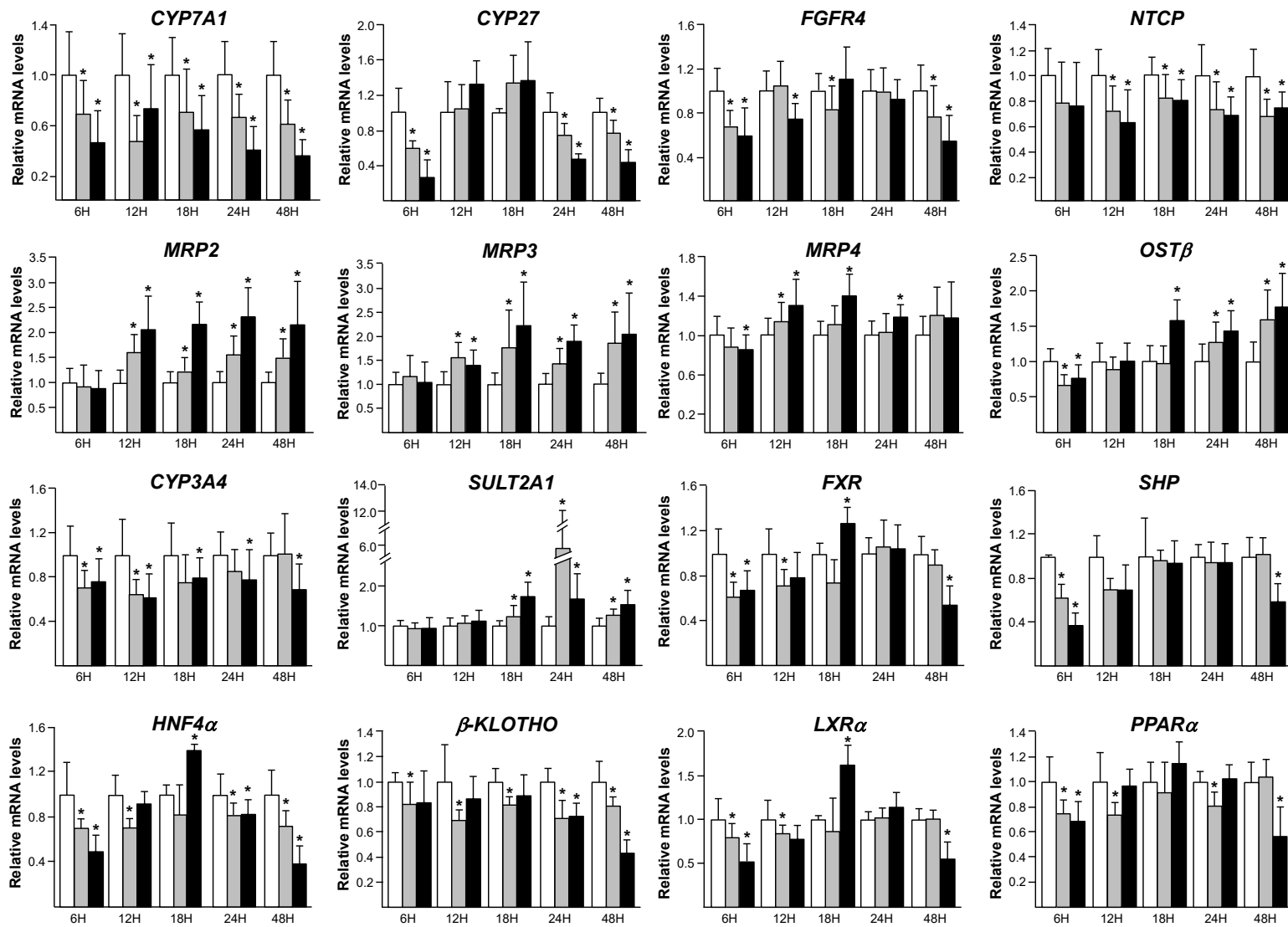
**Supplementary Figure 8. Time-dependent and gene-specific modulation of the bile acid-related transcriptome in RPTEC treated with EPA and DHA.**

Human renal proximal tubule epithelial cells (RPTEC) were treated with DMSO (vehicle, 0.1% v/v) or DHA and EPA at 25 and 50µM, respectively for 6, 12, 18, 24 and 48H for mRNA measurements. Total RNA was extracted using the TriReagent® protocol to further measure mRNA levels by quantitative real time PCR as detailed in the materials and methods section.

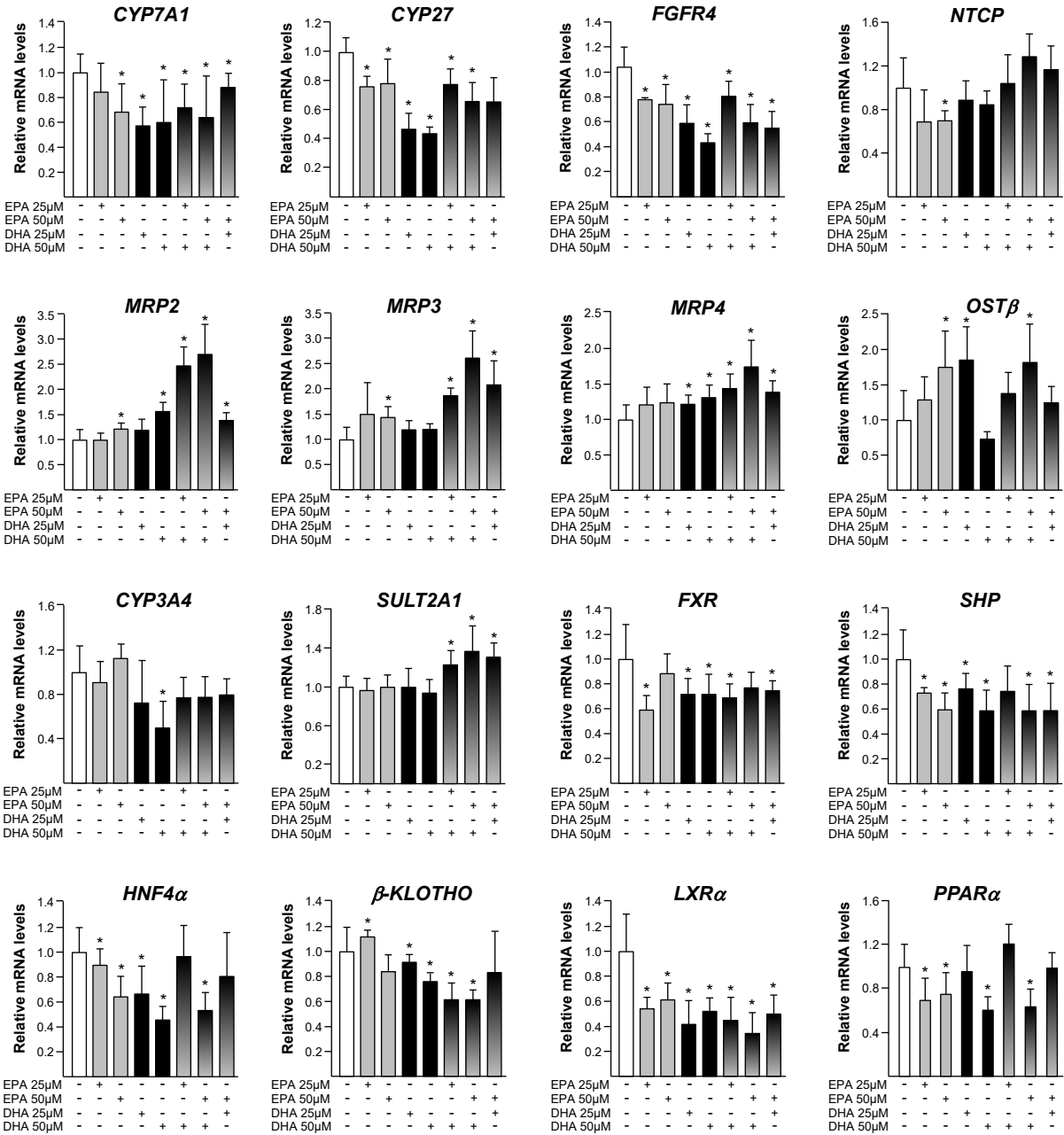
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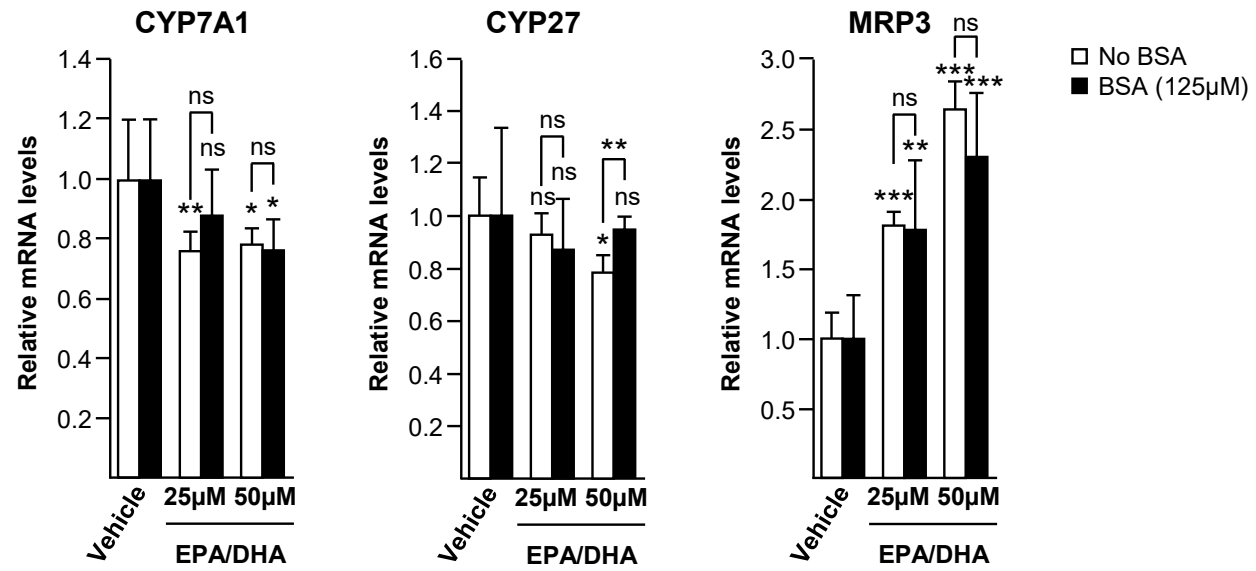
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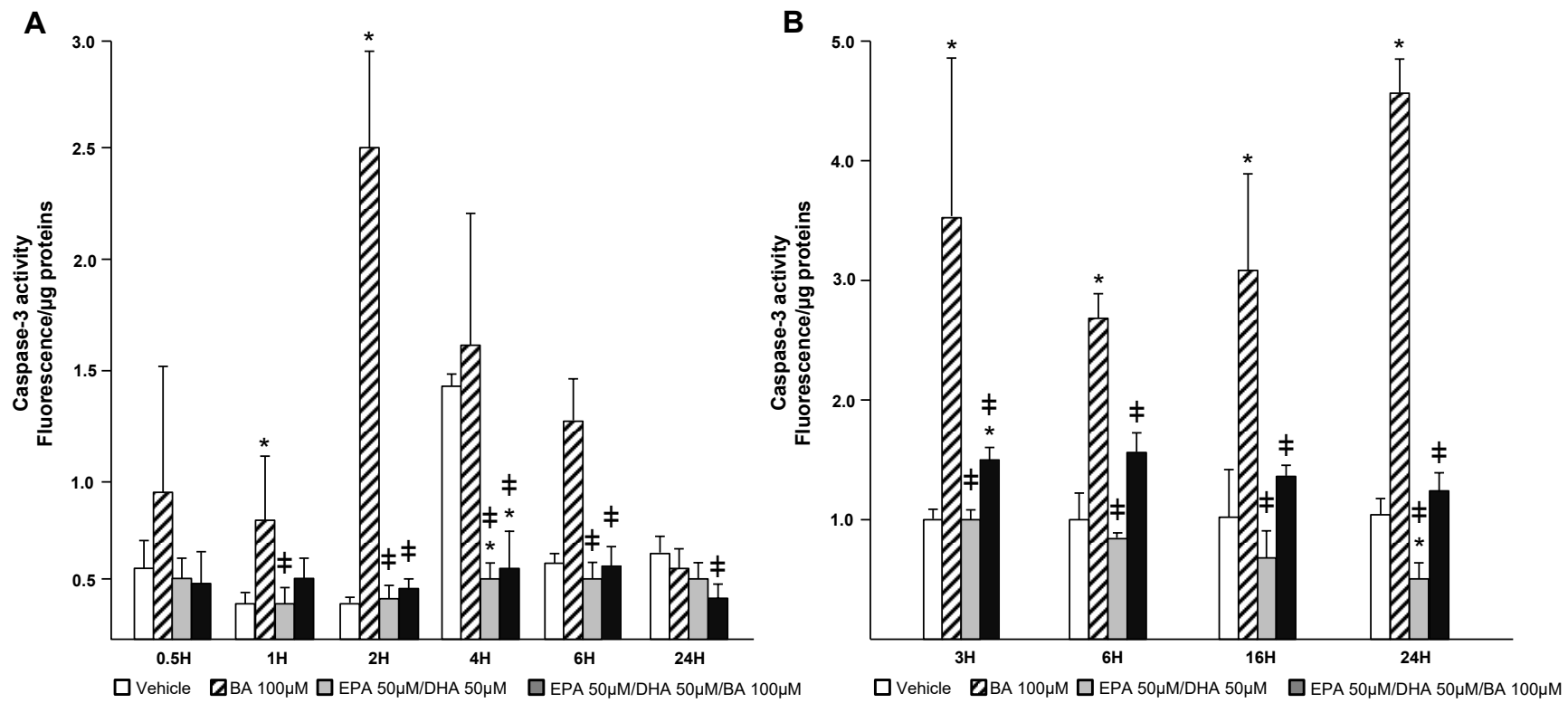
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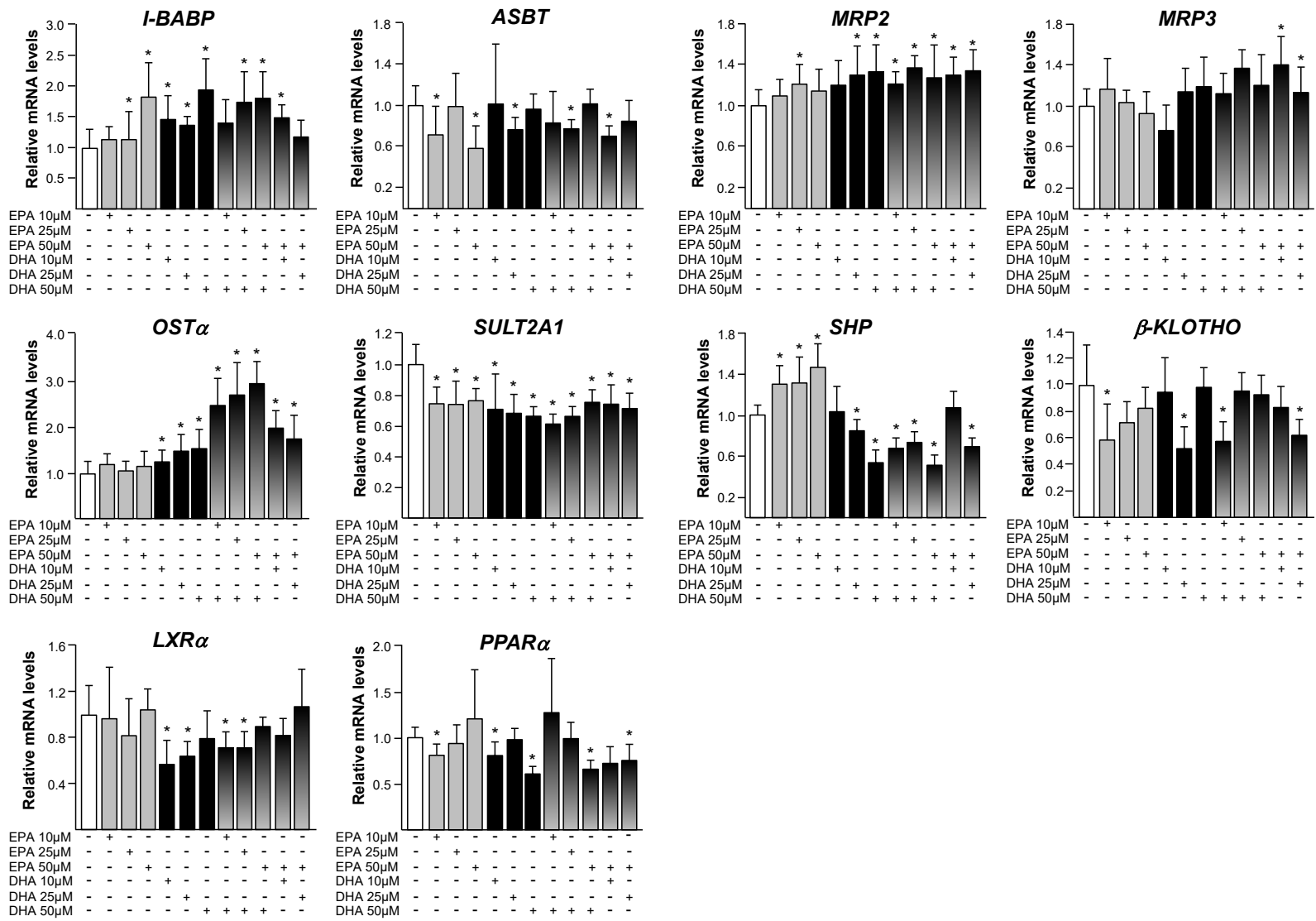
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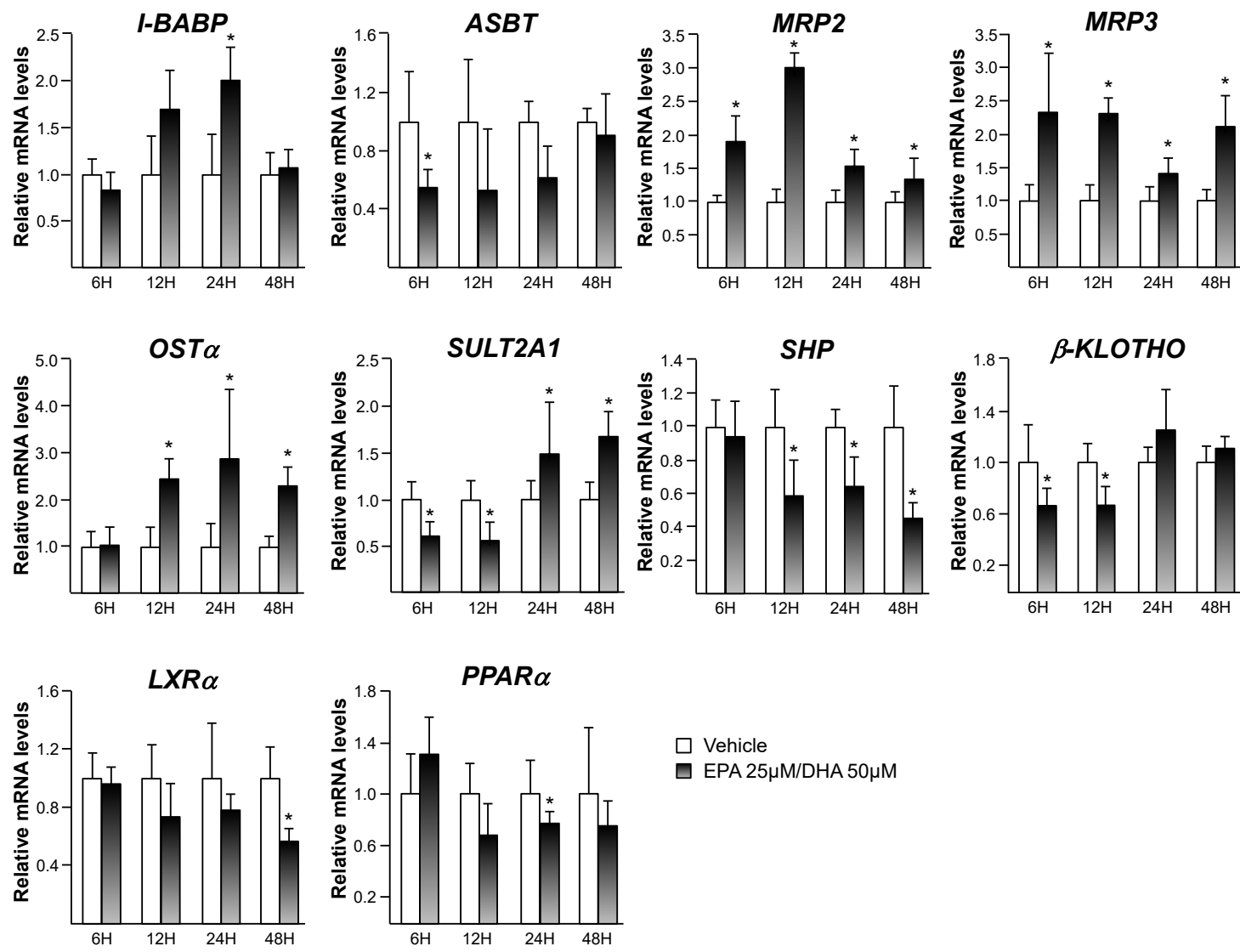
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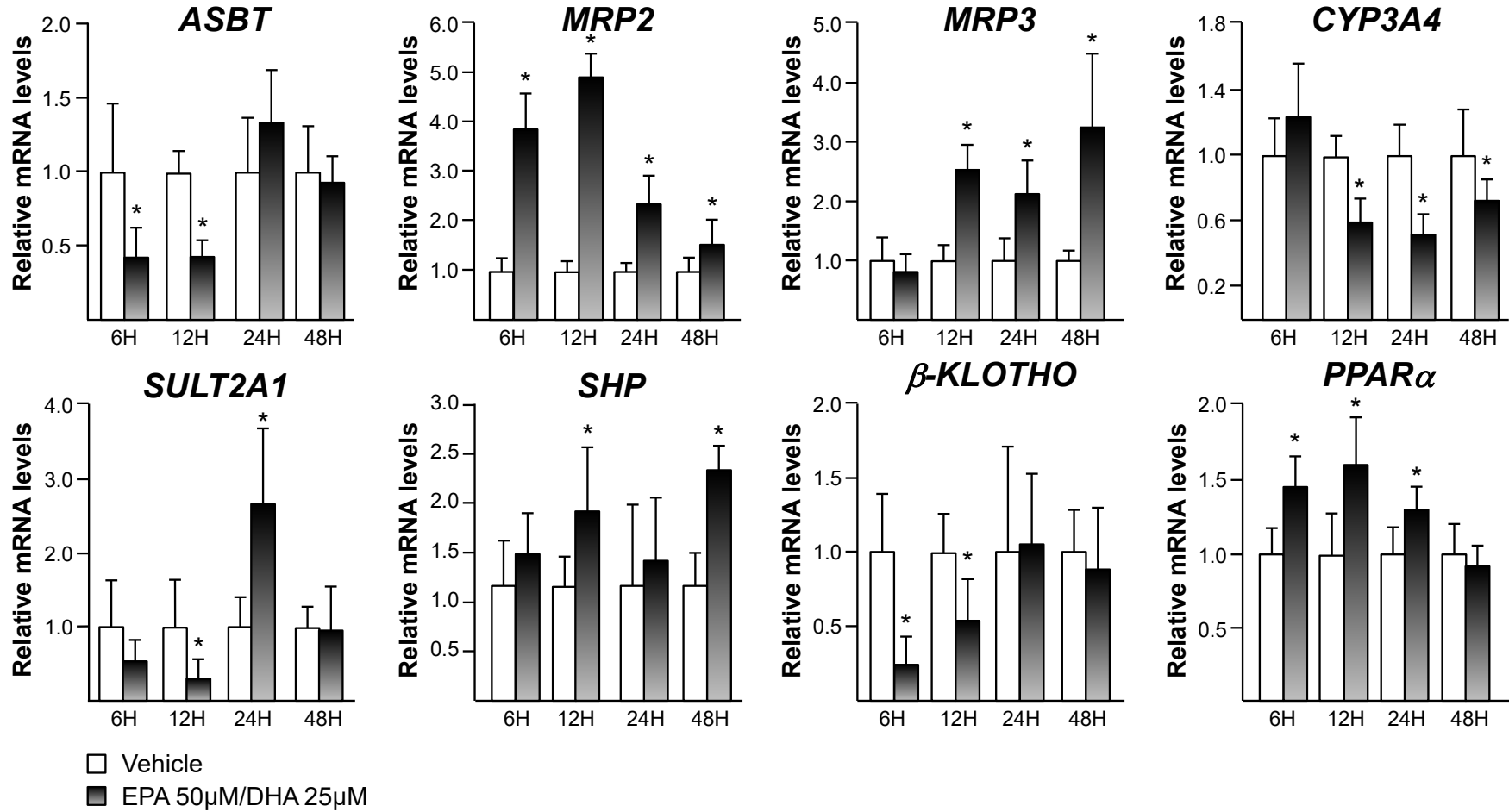


Supplementary Figure 6



Supplementary Figure 7





Supplementary Figure 8