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Supplemental Material

Organophosphate and Pyrethroid Pesticide Exposures Measured before Conception and Associations with Time to Pregnancy in Chinese Couples Enrolled in the Shanghai Birth Cohort

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Table S1. The standardized questions of the PSS-10^a

In the last month, how often					
1. Have you been upset because of something that happened unexpectedly?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
2. Have felt unable to control the important thingsin your life?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
3. Have you felt nervous and "stressed"?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
4. Have you felt confident about your ability to handle your personal problems?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
5. How often have you felt that things were going your way?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
6. Have you found that you could not cope with all the things that you had to do?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
7. How often have you been able to control irritations in your life?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
8. How often have you felt that you were on top of things?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
9. Have you been angered because of things that were outside of your control?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often
10. Have you felt difficulties were piling up so high that could not overcome them?	0 never	1 almost never	2 sometimes	3 fairly often	4 often

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Table S2. Demographic characteristics of the Shanghai Birth Cohort

Characteristic	Baseline group	Subgroup 1	Subgroup 2	P value
	(n=1182)	(n=615)	(n=496)	
Continuous variables ^a	$Mean \pm SD$	Mean ± SD	$Mean \pm SD$	
Maternal age (years)	29.92 ± 3.21	29.78 ± 3.82	29.92±3.03	0.640
Pre-pregnancy BMI (kg/m ⁻²)	21.04 ± 3.27	21.17 ± 3.07	21.06±2.82	0.696
Age at menarche (years)	13.41 ± 1.46	13.37 ± 1.59	13.39 ± 1.64	0.913
Categorical variables ^b	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	
Current smoking				
No	902 (76.3)	453 (73.5)	489 (78.4)	0.651
Live with smoker	263 (22.2)	153 (24.9)	100 (20.2)	
Yes	18 (1.5)	9 (1.5)	7 (1.4)	
Education				
< Bachelor's degree	233 (19.7)	117 (19.0)	82 (16.5)	0.310
\geq Bachelor's degree	949 (80.3)	498 (81.0)	414 (83.5)	
Annual household income (10 ⁴ R)	MB)			
< 15	282(23.9)	140 (22.8)	113 (23.0)	0.974
15 - 30	613 (51.9)	329 (53.5)	266 (53.6)	
> 30	218 (18.4)	106 (17.2)	86 (17.1)	
Refused to answer	69 (5.8)	40 (6.5)	31 (6.3)	
Parity				
0	1081 (91.5)	569 (92.5)	455 (91.7)	0.915
≥ 1	101 (8.5)	46 (7.5)	41(8.3)	

^a One-Way NAOVA test for continuous variables

^b Chi-square test for categorical variables

Characteristic	Detected group	Undetected group	P value	
	(n=615)	(n=567)		
Continuous variables ^a	Mean ± SD	Mean ± SD		
Maternal age (years)	29.78 ± 3.82	29.79 ± 5.62	0.567	
Pre-pregnancy BMI (kg/m ⁻²)	21.17 ± 3.07	20.90 ± 3.48	0.160	
Age at menarche (years)	13.37 ± 1.59	13.44 ± 1.30	0.529	
Categorical variables ^b	N (%)	N (%)		
Current smoking				
No	453 (73.5)	449 (79.2)	0.065	
Live with smoker	153 (24.9)	109 (19.2)		
Yes	9 (1.5)	9 (1.6)		
Education				
< Bachelor's degree	117 (19.0)	117 (20.6)	0.444	
\geq Bachelor's degree	498 (81.0)	450 (79.4)		
Annual household income (10 ⁴ RMB)				
< 15	140 (22.8)	143 (25.2)	0.407	
15 – 30	329 (53.5)	285 (50.3)		
> 30	106 (17.2)	110 (19.4)		
Refused to answer	40 (6.5)	29 (5.1)		
Parity				
0	569 (92.5)	512 (90.3)	0.747	
≥1	46 (7.5)	55 (9.7)		

Table S3. Demographic characteristics between female with and without pesticides measurement

^{*a*} T-test for continuous variables

^b Chi-square test for categorical variables