

Supplementary Table 2: Studies investigating associations between nutrition-sensitive candidate genes and phenotypes (Search 2).

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Azzi S, et al. <i>Epigenetics</i> . 2014; 9 : 338–45 ¹	Nested cohort study in France. 254 mother-infant pairs. Healthy infants from the 'EDEN' cohort. Tissue: Cord blood Platform: Allele-specific methylated multiplex real-time quantitative PCR.	<i>PLAGL1 (ZAC1)</i>	Pre- and post-natal growth	<i>ZAC1</i> methylation index was positively correlated with estimated fetal weight at 32 weeks gestation ($r=0.15$, $p=0.01$). It was positively correlated with weight ($r = 0.14$, $p=0.03$) and BMI z-scores ($r = 0.15$, $p=0.01$) at age 1 year.
Bens S, et al. <i>Eur J Hum Genet</i> . 2013; 21 :838-43 ²	Case-control study. 98 SGA infants and 50 AGA controls from centres of the BMBF consortium, Germany (range 0-18 years). Tissue: Whole blood Platform: Pyrosequencer ID	<i>PLAGL1, IGF2R, GRB10, H19, IGF2, MEG3, NDN, SNRPN, NESP, NESPAS</i>	Size at birth	Cases showed hypomethylation at <i>GRB10</i> (n=1) and <i>H19</i> 2CTCF-binding site (n=1), and hypermethylation at <i>NDN</i> (n=1) and <i>IGF2</i> (n=1). Note case study approach therefore not included in main narrative Table 2.
Bouwland-Both MI, et al. <i>PLoS One</i> . 2013; 8 :e81731 ³	Nested cohort study ('Generation R' cohort subset). 69 small-for-gestational age (SGA) vs. 471 controls (appropriate-for-gestational-age; AGA). Tissue: Cord blood Platform: EpiTYPER, Sequenom	<i>IGF2, H19, MTHFR</i>	Birthweight and anthropometry. Weight gain at 3 months	Methylation at the <i>MTHFR</i> locus did not vary significantly between SGA and AGA infants. An inverse association was found between SGA and <i>IGF2</i> DMR0 methylation ($\beta = -1.07$, $p=0.015$). SGA was not significantly associated with <i>H19</i> promoter DMR methylation. <i>IGF2</i> DMR0 methylation was inversely associated with birth-three months weight gain ($\beta = -0.46$, $p=0.022$).
Burris HH, et al., <i>Epigenomics</i> . 2013; 5 : 271–281 ⁴	Cohort study. 219 infants, Mexico. Tissue: Cord blood. Platform: Pyrosequencing	<i>IGF2/H19, KCNQ1OT1, GCR, NR3C1, LINE-1, Alu</i>	Birthweight	No significant methylation-birthweight associations were found for the studied loci.
Córdova-Palomera A, et al. <i>PLoS One</i> . 2014; 9 :e103639 ⁵	Nested cohort study. 34 monozygotic twin pairs of European descent, Spain. Age 22-56 years. Tissue: Whole blood Platform: Illumina Infinium HumanMethylation450 (450K) Bead-Chip.	<i>IGF2, IGF2BP1, IGF2BP2, IGF2BP3</i>	Birthweight, working memory	Mean methylation at 2 CpG sites in <i>IGF2BP1</i> was associated with birthweight ($\beta=83.3 \times 10^{-3}$, $p=0.033$) and working memory ($\beta= -4.4 \times 10^{-3}$, $p=0.009$). No variation in methylation was observed in other loci studied.
Deodati A, et al. <i>Horm Res Paediatr</i> . 2013; 79 :361-7 ⁶	Cross-sectional study. 85 children, Italy. Mean age 11.6 years. Tissue: Whole blood Platform: Methyl-Profiler DNA Methylation qPCR Assay	<i>IGF2</i>	Lipid profile	Children with intermediate methylation at <i>IGF2</i> had significantly higher levels of triglycerides (107.6 ± 41.99 vs. 76.6 ± 30.18 mg/dl, $p < 0.005$) and higher triglyceride:high-density lipoprotein-cholesterol ratio (2.23 ± 0.98 vs. 1.79 ± 0.98 , $p < 0.02$) in comparison with children showing hypomethylation at <i>IGF2</i> .
Drake AJ, et al. <i>Clin Endocrinol</i> . 2012; 77 :808-15 ⁷	Retrospective cohort study ('Motherwell'). 34 offspring at 40 years of age.	<i>IGF2, H19 ICR, HSD2, NR3C1</i>	Birthweight, current height, weight, waist	There was an inverse association between methylation at specific CpGs in <i>HSD2</i> and neonatal ponderal index (Region

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	Tissue: Whole blood Platform: Pyrosequencing using PSQTM HS-96A (Qiagen)		circumference, blood pressure	2- CpG14 $r=-0.38$, CpG19 $r=-0.34$, $p<0.05$) and <i>H19</i> ICR methylation and birth length ($r=-0.36$, $p<0.05$). <i>HSD2</i> methylation was positively associated with birthweight ($r=0.49$, $p<0.05$), adiposity measures and blood pressure in adulthood. <i>H19</i> ICR methylation was not significantly associated with birthweight but was positively associated with weight in adulthood ($\beta=0.37$, $p=0.03$). Both <i>H19</i> and <i>NR3C1</i> Exon methylation were associated with waist circumference, BMI and blood pressure at age 40.
Dunstan J, et al., <i>Clin Epigenetics</i> . 2017; 29 :29 ⁸	431 adolescents, USA. Age 10-15 years. Tissue: Saliva Platform: Pyromark Q24, Qiagen	<i>LEP</i> , <i>ICAM-1</i> , <i>CRH</i> , <i>LINE-1</i>	BMI, waist circumference, percent body fat	In obese boys, <i>LEP</i> methylation was inversely associated with the obesity. No significant associations were found for <i>ICAM-1</i> , <i>CRH</i> and <i>LINE-1</i> .
García-Cardona MC, et al. <i>Int J Obes</i> 2014; 38 :1457-65 ⁹	Cross-sectional study, n=106 divided into lean and obese adolescents, Mexico. Age 10-16 years. Tissue: Whole blood Platform: Methylation-specific PCR	<i>LEP</i> , <i>ADIPOQ</i>	BMI, insulin resistance, glucose, cholesterol and triglycerides levels	No significant variation in overall methylation of <i>LEP</i> , <i>ADIPOQ</i> . Lower methylation at both genes in obese subjects with insulin resistance.
Godfrey KM, et al. <i>Diabetes</i> . 2011; 60 : 1528–1534 ¹⁰	Cohort study, UK (78 mother-child pairs from Princess Anne Hospital (PAH) and 239 mother-infant pairs in replication cohort - Southampton Women's Study(SWS)). Childhood adiposity measurements were made using dual energy X-ray absorptiometry DEXA (PAH study, age 9 years; SWS, age 6 years). Tissue: Cord blood Platform EpiTyper software v1.0 (Sequenom)	<i>RXRA</i> , <i>eNOS</i>	Adiposity at age 9 years	<i>RXRA</i> methylation was associated with sex-adjusted childhood fat mass (exponentiated regression coefficient [β] 17% per SD change in methylation, $p=0.009$) and % fat mass ($\beta=10\%$, $p=0.023$) at age 9 in the PAH cohort and also had similar association in the SWS cohort (Fat mass- $\beta=6\%$, $p=0.002$; %fat mass- $\beta=4\%$, $p=0.002$). Methylation at <i>eNOS</i> was associated with fat mass ($\beta=20\%$, $p<0.001$) and %fat mass ($\beta=12\%$, $p=0.002$) in the PAH cohort only.
Harvey, NC et al. <i>J Bone Miner Res</i> . 2014; 29.3 : 600–607 ¹¹	Cohort, UK (230 Southampton Women's Study and 64 Princess Anne Hospital mother-infant pairs) Tissue: Cord blood Platform: Sequenom MassARRAY Compact System	<i>RXRA</i>	Bone mineral content at age 4 years	Methylation at four of six <i>RXRA</i> CpG sites inversely correlated with % bone mineral content. Note that maternal free 25(OH)-vitamin D index inversely associated with methylation at one <i>RXRA</i> CpG site ($\beta=-3.3$ SD/unit, $p=0.03$).
Houde AA, et al. <i>BMC Med Genet</i> . 2015; 16 :29 ¹²	Cross-sectional study. 73 severely obese adults, Canada. Mean age 34.7 years. Tissue: Blood, subcutaneous (SAT) and visceral adipose tissues (VAT). Platform: Pyrosequencing	<i>LEP</i> , <i>ADIPOQ</i>	BMI, anthropometry, blood pressure, lipid profile	Higher <i>ADIPOQ</i> methylation levels in SAT were associated with higher BMI and waist circumference. Lower <i>LEP</i> methylation in blood was associated with higher BMI. A positive correlation was found between fasting LDL-C

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				levels and <i>LEP</i> in blood and SAT, and with <i>ADIPOQ</i> in SAT and VAT.
Hoyo C, et al. <i>Cancer Causes Control</i> . 2012; 23 :635-45 ¹³	Cohort study (NEST cohort), USA. 300 mother-infant pairs. Tissue: Cord blood Platform: Pyromark Q96 MD (Qiagen)	<i>IGF2, H19</i>	Birthweight	<i>IGF2</i> DMR0 methylation was inversely associated with <i>IGF2</i> protein concentrations in cord blood ($\beta = -9.87$, $p < 0.01$), having stronger associations in infants of obese women ($\beta = -20.21$, $p < 0.0001$). Higher concentrations of <i>IGF2</i> were related to higher birth weight ($p < 0.001$). No associations found with <i>H19</i> DMR.
Hoyo C, et al. <i>Epigenetics</i> . 2014; 9 : 1120–30 ¹⁴	Cohort study ('NEST' cohort). 438 mother-infant pairs, USA. Tissue: Cord blood leukocytes Platform: Pyromark Q96 MD Pyrosequencer (Qiagen).	<i>H19, PEG10/SGCE, PLAGL1, MEG3</i>	Birth weight	Higher methylation at <i>H19, PEG10/SGCE</i> and <i>PLAGL1</i> DMRs, and lower <i>MEG3</i> methylation, associated with higher birth weight.
Huang RC, et al. <i>Clin Epigenetics</i> . 2012; 4 :21 ¹⁵	Cohort study ('Raine' Study). 315 children, Australia. Anthropometric parameters measured at birth and follow ups taken at 8 time points after birth. Tissue: Whole blood at age 17 Platform: EpiTyper, Sequenom.	<i>IGF2/H19</i>	BMI, anthropometry, birthweight	No association was noted between <i>IGF2/H19</i> ICR1 and anthropometric measures at birth. A 3.4% increase in methylation at 2 specific CpGs in the <i>IGF2/H19</i> ICR was associated with 18 mm decrease in head circumference at age 17 ($p = 0.006$).
Kappil MA, et al. <i>Epigenetics</i> . 2015; 10 :842-9 ¹⁶	Cohort study (Rhode Island Child Health Study (RICHS), USA). 677 mother-infant pairs, subset of $n=211$ for methylation analysis. Tissue: Placenta Platform: Infinium HumanMethylation450 BeadChip.	108 imprinted genes	Size at birth	Increased methylation of <i>MEST</i> observed in SGA infants. The paper focuses on gene expression data.
Kuehnen, P. et al. <i>PLoS genetics</i> . 2012; 8 : p.e1002543 ¹⁷	Case-control study, Germany. Normal weight controls (mean age 17.9 years, $N=90$), obese cases (mean age 11 years, $N=171$). Tissue: Peripheral blood Platform: Direct sequencing of bisulfite-converted DNA	<i>POMC</i>	Obesity at age 11 years	Increased methylation score at <i>POMC</i> in obese children compared to controls. Overall CpG methylation score from position -4 to +6 was 40% in cases and 25% in controls ($p < 0.001$).
Kühnen P, et al. <i>Cell Metab</i> . 2016; 24 :502–509 ¹⁸	Case-control study in German adults: 103 normal-weight and 125 obese, mean age 48.2 years. Tissue: Peripheral blood Platform: Pyromark Q24 (Qiagen)	<i>POMC</i>	BMI	Positive correlation of average <i>POMC</i> VMR methylation with BMI ($r = 0.18$, $p = 0.006$).
Lesseur C, et al. <i>Mol Cell Endocrinol</i> . 2013; 381 :160-7 ¹⁹	Nested cohort study, USA. Rhode Island Child Health Study 'RICHS' cohort, 81 mother-infant pairs, categorised by birth size. Tissue: Cord blood, placenta Platform: Pyromark MD (Qiagen)	<i>LEP</i>	Size at birth	Higher <i>LEP</i> methylation levels were observed in SGA children ($p = 4.6 \times 10^{-3}$). Infants born to pre-pregnancy obese mothers had lower cord blood methylation levels ($p = 0.03$). There was an interaction between placental <i>LEP</i> methylation and sex ($p = 0.05$).

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Lesseur C, et al. <i>Psychoneuroendocrinology</i> . 2014; 40 :1-9 ²⁰	Nested cohort study, USA. Rhode Island Child Health Study 'RICHs' cohort. N=444. NICU Network Neurobehavioral Scales (NNS) used for neurobehavior testing. Tissue: Placenta Platform: Pyromark MD (Qiagen)	<i>LEP</i>	Neurobehavior	In male infants increased <i>LEP</i> methylation was associated with membership in the profile of increased lethargy and hypotonicity (OR = 1.9; 95% CI: 1.07–3.4), and reduced risk of membership in the profile of decreased lethargy and hypotonicity (OR = 0.54; 95% CI: 0.3–0.94).
Lester BM, et al. <i>Epigenomics</i> . 2015; 7 :1123-36 ²¹	Cross-sectional study of 67 preterm infants, USA. Tissue: Buccal cells Platform: Pyrosequencing	<i>HSD2</i> and <i>NR3C1</i>	Neurobehaviour	Infants with a high-risk neurobehavioral profile showed increased <i>NR3C1</i> methylation and decreased <i>HSD2</i> methylation compared to infants with a low-risk neurobehavioral profile.
Lin, X, et al. <i>BMC Med</i> . 2017 Mar 7; 15 :50 ²²	Cohort study ('GUSTO' cohort), 987 mother-infant pairs, Singapore. Tissue: Cord blood. Platform: Illumina Infinium HumanMethylation450 BeadChip	<i>ANK3</i> , <i>CDKN2B</i> , <i>IGDCC4</i> , <i>P4HA3</i> , <i>MIRLET7BHG</i> , <i>CACNA1G</i> and <i>ZNF423</i>	Birthweight, size and adiposity at 4 years	Methylation at <i>ANK3</i> , <i>CDKN2B</i> , <i>IGDCC4</i> , <i>P4HA3</i> , <i>MIRLET7BHG</i> , <i>CACNA1G</i> and <i>ZNF423</i> were associated with birth weight. <i>MIRLET7BHG</i> was the only 'nutrition-sensitive' loci considered in this review, however.
Murphy R, et al. <i>BMC Med Genet</i> . 2014; 15 :67 ²³	Cohort study (Auckland Birthweight Collaborative ('ABC' study) following 153 children out of which 80 were SGA. Age 11 years Tissue: whole blood Platform: Methylation-specific multiplex-ligation-dependent probe amplification assay and pyrosequencing.	<i>IGF2</i> , <i>H19</i> , <i>KCNQ10T1</i>	Size at birth	<i>IGF2</i> DMR0 methylation was 2.7% lower in SGA children. Methylation did not vary at <i>H19</i> and <i>KCNQ10T1</i> ICRs.
Paquette AG, et al. <i>Epigenomics</i> . 2015; 7 :767-79 ²⁴	Rhode Island Child Health Study 'RICHs' cohort . N=547 infants. NICU Network Neurobehavioral Scales (NNS) used for neurobehavior testing. Tissue: Placenta Platform: Pyromark MD (Qiagen)	<i>NR3C1</i> , <i>HSD11B2</i> , <i>FKBP5</i> , <i>ADCYAP1R1</i>	Neurobehaviour	Using maximum likelihood factor analysis, 3 factors were identified as explaining the maximum variability in DNA methylation. <i>NR3C1</i> loaded strongly onto a factor that was associated with decreased quality of movement and self-regulation, increased arousal and excitability, and increased non-optimal refluxes and stress abstinence scores, also referred to as a 'poorly regulated' profile. <i>HSD11B2</i> methylation loaded onto factor associated with reducing risk of being in the poorly regulated profile.
Qian YY, et al. <i>J Hum Nutr Diet</i> . 2016; 29 :643-51 ²⁵	Case-control study. 39 small-for-gestational age (SGA) infants and 49 appropriate-for-gestational-age (AGA) controls, China. Tissue: Umbilical cord blood Platform: EpiTYPER, Sequenom.	<i>MEST</i> , <i>H19</i>	Size at birth	Methylation in SGA children was higher (p<0.05) than controls at 3 sites in the <i>H19</i> DMR. Six sites in the <i>H19</i> DMR had higher methylation in SGA compared to AGA, but only in only males born to mothers who supplemented in pregnancy with folic acid.

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Rijlaarsdam J, et al. <i>J Child Psychol Psychiatry</i> . 2017; 58 :19-27 ²⁶	Nested cohort study ('ALSPAC' cohort). 164 youth with low conduct problems (CP) and early onset persistent (EOP) ADHD. Tissue: Cord blood, peripheral blood at age 7 Platform: Illumina Infinium HumanMethylation450 BeadChip	<i>IGF2</i>	ADHD	In the case of EOP individuals, <i>IGF2</i> methylation was positively associated with ADHD symptoms.
Souren NY, et al., <i>Obesity</i> . 2011; 19 :1519-22 ²⁷	Monozygotic (MZ) twins study. 16 BMI discordant MZ twin pairs recruited from the East Flanders Prospective Twin Survey (EFPTS), Belgium. Mean age 30.9 years. Tissue: Saliva Platform: PCR amplification followed by a single-nucleotide primer extension reaction	<i>KvDMR1, H19, IGF2, GRB10, MEST, SNRPN, GNAS</i>	BMI	Methylation differences of the studied imprinted genes in salivary DNA did not account for the discordance in BMI between twins in this cohort.
St-Pierre J, et al. <i>Epigenetics</i> . 2012; 7 :1125-32 ²⁸	Cohort study. 50 mother-infant pairs, French-Canadian origin, Canada. Tissue: Placenta Platform: Pyromark Q24 (Qiagen)	<i>IGF2, H19</i>	Birthweight	<i>IGF2</i> DMR2 mean methylation on the fetal placental side was positively correlated with birthweight (Spearman rank correlation=0.44, $p < 0.01$), height ($r=0.40$, $p < 0.01$), head ($r=0.32$, $p < 0.05$) and thorax ($r=0.32$, $p < 0.05$) circumference. 31% variance in birth weight could be accounted for by <i>IGF2/H19</i> genotype and epigenotype jointly.
Steegers-Theunissen RP, et al. <i>PLoS One</i> . 2009; 4 : e784 ²⁹	Cross sectional study amongst controls for another study ('HAVEN'). 120 mother-infant pairs, The Netherlands. Tissue: Infant blood taken at 17 months. Platform: EpiTyper, Sequenom	<i>IGF2</i>	Birth weight	<i>IGF2</i> methylation was inversely associated with birthweight (-1.7% methylation per SD birthweight; $p=0.034$).
Tobi EW, et al. <i>Epigenetics</i> . 2011; 6 :171-6 ³⁰	Cohort study (The Dutch Project on Preterm and Small for Gestational Age Infants ('POPS')). 38 small for gestational age (SGA) and 75 appropriate for gestational age (AGA) individuals studied. Tissue: Whole blood at age 19. Methylation analysis by Platform: EpiTyper, Sequenom.	<i>IGF2, GNASAS, INSIGF, LEP</i>	Size at birth	Methylation levels of <i>IGF2</i> DMRO, <i>GNASAS</i> , <i>INSIGF</i> and <i>LEP</i> did not significantly vary between SGA and AGA individuals at 19 years of age.
Wijnands KP, et al. <i>Nutr Metab Cardiovasc Dis</i> . 2015; 25 :608-14 ³¹	Cohort study. 120 healthy children at 17 months of age, Netherlands. Tissue: Whole blood Platform: EpiTyper, Sequenom.	<i>TNFa, LEP</i>	Lipid profile	High-density lipoprotein-cholesterol levels in the children were inversely associated with <i>TNFa</i> methylation (-6.1%, $p = 0.058$) and <i>LEP</i> (-3.4%, $p = 0.021$)

Abbreviations: ADHD, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder; BMI, body mass index; CI, confidence interval; DMR, differentially methylated region; ICR, imprinting control region; LDL-c, low-density lipoprotein cholesterol; OR, odds ratio; SD, standard deviation; VMR, variably methylated region.

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