Evidence of widespread metabolite abnormalities in Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Assessment with whole-brain Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy.

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ROI	Group	Mean	SD	t	p
Calcarine_R	ME/CFS	59.208	11.017	0.429	0.671
	control	61.133	13.419	-0.429	
Cerebellum	ME/CFS	65.756	11.568	- 0.115	0.909
	control	65.283	10.942	- 0.113	
Cingulum_Ant_L	ME/CFS	44.999	12.061	0.186	0.853
	control	45.795	11.327	-0.180	
Cingulum_Ant_R	ME/CFS	36.038	15.281	0.252	0.728
	control	37.682	9.678	0.352	
Cingulum_Mid_L	ME/CFS	45.893	12.238	0.229	0.745
	control	44.617	8.761	- 0.328	
Frontal_R	ME/CFS	37.730	10.693	0.202	0.764
	control	36.539	10.853	- 0.303	
Fusiform_R	ME/CFS	54.362	8.316	0.256	0.000
	control	53.401	11.909	– 0.256	0.800
Hippocampus_L	ME/CFS	51.437	13.070	0.501	0.550
	control	48.488	14.250	– 0.591	0.559
Insula_L	ME/CFS	40.328	12.147	0.405	0.674
	control	38.601	9.981	— 0.425	
Insula_R	ME/CFS	47.261	14.044	0.424	0.668
	control	49.276	11.226	- -0.434	
Lingual_L	ME/CFS	65.429	11.180	1.006	0.231
	control	70.483	11.405	1.226	
Lingual_R	ME/CFS	65.317	9.525	0.704	0.475
	control	68.239	12.410	- -0.724	
Occipital_R	ME/CFS	50.260	12.302	1.200	0.176
	control	44.165	11.726	— 1.389	0.176
D 11' 1 D	ME/CFS	40.868	8.554	0.006	0.995
Pallidum_R	control	40.892	12.332	-0.006	
Parietal_L	ME/CFS	38.270	9.760	0.252	0.803
	control	37.358	10.052	– 0.252	
Parietal_R	ME/CFS	41.340	10.198	0.007	0.000
	control	41.427	8.766	0.025	0.980
Precuneus_L	ME/CFS	47.928	8.632	0.640	0.521
	control	50.234	10.708	0.649	
Putamen_R	ME/CFS	36.809	8.430	0.000	0.775
	control	37.918	12.252	0.289	
Rolandic_Oper_L	ME/CFS	44.296	10.888	0.050	0.702
	control	43.184	10.938	- 0.279	0.782
Temporal_L	ME/CFS	44.296	9.513	0.722	0.476
	control	41.829	9.188	— 0.723	0.476

Temporal_R	ME/CFS	44.048	10.508	- 0.012 0.991
	control	44.008	7.339	- 0.012 0.991
Thalamus R	ME/CFS	53.015	12.968	- 0.498 0.622
Tharamus_K	control	50.648	13.070	- 0.498 0.022

ROI = region of interest; L = left; R = right

Mean cerebral blood flow (CBF) in the ME/CFS (n = 15) and control (n = 15) group, and their standard deviations (SD). t-values and corresponding p-values are from independent-samples t-tests comparing the group means in each region. Df = 28 for all tests. Only regions showing metabolite differences between groups are presented.