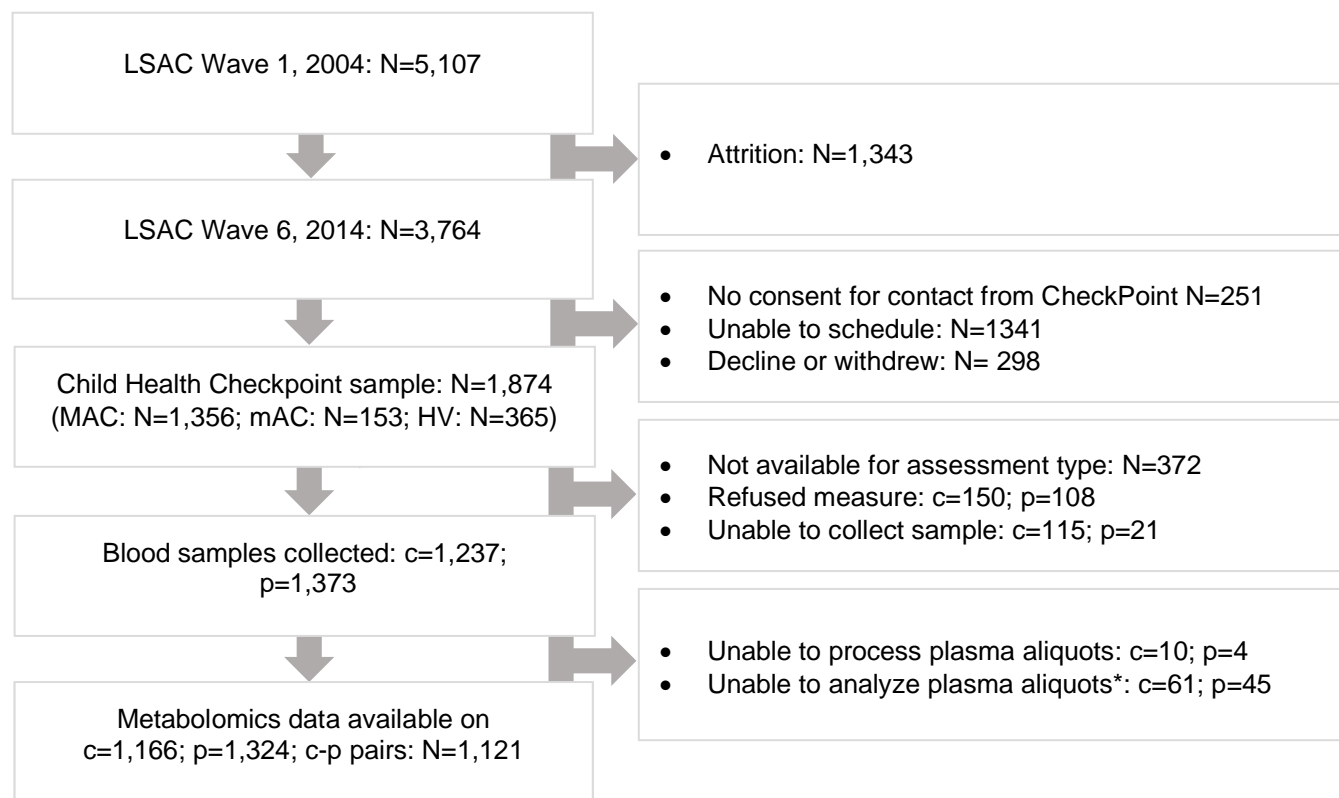


Plasma Trimethylamine N-Oxide (TMAO) and its precursors: Population epidemiology, parent-child concordance, and associations with reported dietary intake in 11-12-year-old children and their parents – Stephanie Andraos - Online Supporting Material



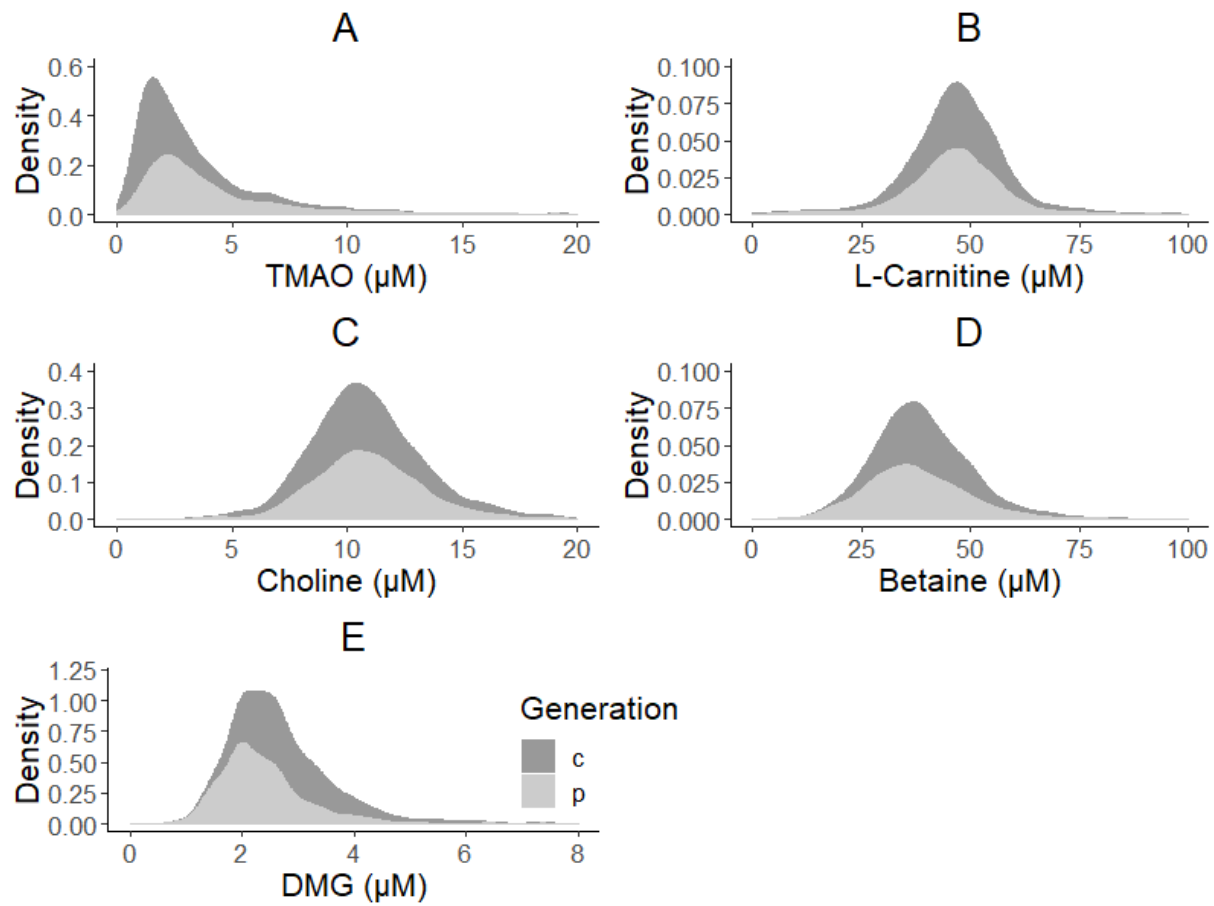
Supplemental Figure 1: Participant flow chart.

*Unable to analyse due to insufficient volume or poor-quality sample. HV: home visit; LSAC: Longitudinal Study of Australian Children; MAC: main assessment centre; mAC: mini assessment centre; N: number of families; p: number of attending adults; c: number of attending children.

Supplemental Table 1: Calibration curve composition for TMAO assay			
Standard	Solvent	Target Concentration (μM)	Volume of standard to create the most concentrated calibration standard *(μL)
Pyridoxal 5'-phosphate monohydrate	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2000	75
Nicotinic Acid	HCl 0.1 mol/L	4500	33.3
4-Pyridoxic Acid	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2000	75
Nicotinamide	HCl 0.1 mol/L	10000	60
FMN Riboflavin 5'-Phosphate	H ₂ O, Ac.ac 0.12%	1000	60
Pyridoxal	HCl 0.1 mol/L	3000	30
Pyridoxine	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2500	24
Pyridoxamine	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2300	26.1
Riboflavin	H ₂ O, Ac.ac 0.12%	400	75 (Dilute stock 1:2 first)
Thiamine	HCl 0.1 mol/L	1700	35.3
Biotin	EtOH/water 1:1	2000	30 (Dilute stock 1 :10 first)
Pantothenic Acid	H ₂ O	4500	133.3
Nicotinuric Acid	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2800	53.6
Folic acid	5% NaOH 0.1mol/L, 20% EtOH in H ₂ O	1000	150
Trimethylamine N-oxide dihydrate	H ₂ O	10000	300

****The most concentrated standard undergoes a serial dilution to create a calibration curve with a large dynamic range of concentrations***

Supplemental Table 2: Internal standard solution composition for TMAO assay			
Internal standard	Solvent	Target Concentration (µM)	Volume of internal standard
Nicotinamide-2, 4, 5, 6-d4	HCl 0.1 mol/L	4000	12.5
Pyridoxine-d2 HCl (5-Hydroxymethyl-d2)	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2500	12.5
Biotin d4	EtOH/water 1:1	2000	12.5
Thiamine hydrochloride ¹³C3	HCl 0.1 mol/L	1500	33.3
Riboflavin ¹³C4	H ₂ O, Ac.ac 0.12%	600	41.7
Pyridoxamine d3	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2000	12.5
Pantothenic acid ¹³C6 ¹⁵N2	H ₂ O	1000	100
Folic acid ¹³C5	5% NaOH 0.1mol/L, 20% EtOH in H ₂ O	500	50
Nicotinic acid d4	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2000	12.5
Nicotinuric acid d4	HCl 0.1 mol/L	2000	12.5
Trimethylamine N-oxide ¹³C3	H ₂ O	2000	250



Supplemental Figure 2 : Density plots of TMAO (A), Carnitine (B), Choline (C), Betaine (D), and DMG (E) in children “c” and parents “p”

Supplemental Table 3: Linear models of age-specific differences in the parent subgroup

Compound	Estimate in linear model	Adjusted R₂ of linear model	p value
TMAO*	0.08	0.002	0.05
Carnitine	0.07	-0.0002	0.40
DMG*	0.003	0.001	0.10
Betaine	0.20	0.006	0.002
Choline	0.02	0.0003	0.23

**Log-transformed variable*

Supplemental Table 4: Mean ± SDs of TMAO and precursors' concentrations by menstruation from T-test analysis			
Generation	Menstruating on blood collection day?		p value
	no	yes	
Children			
TMAO*	1.93 ± 2.13	1.67 ± 2.12	0.44
DMG*	2.39 ± 1.26	2.34 ± 1.38	0.80
Betaine	37.54 ± 8.34	38.69 ± 9.42	0.62
Choline	10.48 ± 2.33	10.40 ± 2.54	0.89
Carnitine	44.89 ± 12.00	44.00 ± 10.60	0.74
Adults			
TMAO*	3.36 ± 2.19	3.27 ± 2.09	0.70
DMG*	2.16 ± 1.43	2.25 ± 1.40	0.16
Betaine	36.02 ± 11.08	37.82 ± 11.30	0.05
Choline	10.82 ± 2.62	10.96 ± 2.59	0.52
Carnitine	46.26 ± 15.60	48.90 ± 16.20	0.05

**Values back transformed from log transformed calculations*

Supplemental Table 5: Correlation matrix and p values of TMAO and its precursors

	TMAO	DMG	Betaine	Choline	Carnitine
TMAO* (p value)	-	-0.004 (0.86)	0.02 (0.64)	0.08 (<0.001)	0.05 (0.02)
DMG* (p value)	-0.004 (0.86)	-	0.45 (<0.0001)	0.37 (<0.0001)	0.11 (<0.0001)
Betaine (p value)	0.02 (0.64)	0.45 (<0.0001)	-	0.30 (<0.0001)	0.11 (<0.0001)
Choline (p value)	0.08 (<0.001)	0.37 (<0.0001)	0.30 (<0.0001)	-	0.44 (<0.0001)
Carnitine (p value)	0.05 (0.02)	0.11 (<0.0001)	0.11 (<0.0001)	0.44 (<0.0001)	-
*Log transformed variable					

Supplemental Table 6: ANOVA results (estimates and p values) of reported intakes of animal protein sources and TMAO and precursors' plasma concentrations in children and adults

Children					
	TMAO* Estimate (p value)	L-Carnitine Estimate (p value)	Choline Estimate (p value)	Betaine Estimate (p value)	DMG* Estimate (p value)
Red Meat (e.g. beef, lamb)	0.06 (0.01)	0.01 (0.97)	0.01 (0.88)	-0.11 (0.72)	-0.004 (0.67)
Meat products (e.g. sausages, chicken nuggets, bacon)	0.01 (0.49)	0.75 (0.06)	-0.02 (0.78)	0.24 (0.40)	-0.003 (0.69)
Chicken	0.02 (0.45)	1.21 (0.02)	0.05 (0.57)	-0.12 (0.75)	0.01 (0.20)
Fish	0.11 (<0.0001)	-0.11 (0.84)	-0.05 (0.56)	0.30 (0.44)	0.003 (0.79)
Fast-food meals and snacks (e.g. Pizzas, Burgers, Chips)	-0.08 (0.02)	1.42 (0.03)	0.04 (0.73)	0.002 (0.99)	-0.01 (0.44)
Dairy products (e.g. Yogurts, puddings)	0.003 (0.89)	0.01 (0.97)	-0.09 (0.12)	-0.04 (0.88)	-0.007 (0.32)
Cheese	0.01 (0.61)	0.08 (0.81)	-0.05 (0.40)	-0.21 (0.37)	0.004 (0.55)
Adults					
Red Meat (e.g. beef, lamb)	0.13 (<0.0001)	1.07 (0.03)	0.09 (0.29)	-0.44 (0.24)	0.02 (0.12)
Meat products (e.g. sausages, chicken nuggets, bacon)	0.07 (0.001)	1.44 (0.002)	0.25 (0.001)	-0.18 (0.60)	0.02 (0.01)
Chicken	0.05 (0.04)	0.44 (0.43)	0.04 (0.66)	-0.09 (0.83)	0.01 (0.36)
Fish	0.09 (0.001)	0.73 (0.17)	-0.06 (0.49)	0.18 (0.65)	0.009 (0.46)
Fast-food meals and snacks (e.g. Pizzas, Burgers, Chips)	-0.05 (0.12)	0.94 (0.19)	0.26 (0.03)	-0.07 (0.89)	0.03 (0.05)
Dairy products (e.g. Yogurts, puddings)	0.02 (0.16)	-0.17 (0.61)	-0.05 (0.36)	-0.39 (0.11)	-0.01 (0.07)
Cheese	0.02 (0.31)	0.27 (0.47)	-0.01 (0.80)	-0.08 (0.78)	-0.01 (0.15)

***Log-transformed variable**

Supplemental Table 7: Population distribution by frequency of habitual food intakes in children and adults

Number of children per subgroup						
	Never	Less than once a week	About 1-2 times a week	About 3-4 times a week	About 5-6 times a week	Everyday
Red Meat (e.g. beef, lamb)	48	172	468	325	83	44
Meat products (e.g. sausages, chicken nuggets, bacon, including all steaks, chops, roasts, mince, stir fries and casseroles, excluding pork and chicken)	21	193	442	293	105	85
Chicken	27	238	595	236	38	10
Fish	185	538	349	57	9	2
Fast-food meals and snacks (e.g. Pizzas, Burgers, Chips)	128	693	285	37	1	2
Dairy products (e.g. Yogurts, puddings)	38	158	371	306	121	153
Cheese	86	204	360	273	113	113
Number of adults per subgroup						
Red Meat (e.g. beef, lamb)	58	64	527	568	81	18
Meat products (e.g. sausages, chicken nuggets, bacon)	104	501	502	171	32	10
Chicken	47	42	625	544	53	6
Fish	98	464	622	108	19	7
Fast-food meals and snacks (e.g. Pizzas, Burgers, Chips)	207	866	226	19	-	-
Dairy products (e.g. Yogurts, puddings)	84	354	376	286	108	113
Cheese	34	243	445	369	134	93