

## Supporting Information

# Chlorinated Paraffins in Human Milk from Urban Sites in China, Sweden, and Norway

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## Methods and Materials

### Sample storage

All samples were collected 2-12 weeks after giving birth. The target volume was at least 50 mL from each mother. Samples were subdivided into several portions and stored in the freezer below -18°C in glass bottles until chemical analysis. The Swedish samples were initially stored at -18°C in plastic bags and bottles. Upon being shipped to the Environmental Specimen Bank at the Swedish Museum of Natural History in Stockholm, samples were then thawed, transferred to pre-washed glass bottles with lids covered with aluminum foil, and stored at -20°C prior to analysis.

### Sample extraction and clean up

The denaturation and extraction method followed Fångström, et al.<sup>1</sup> with some minor modifications. <sup>13</sup>C<sub>10</sub>-1,5,5,6,6,10-hexachlorodecane (10 ng) was spiked as surrogate standard to the human milk samples (about 5 g) in a test tube (18 mL). The samples were homogenized with a solvent mixture of formic acid (6 M, 1 mL), isopropanol (6 mL) and diethyl ether mixed with n-hexane (6 mL, 1:1 v/v). After centrifugation for 5 minutes at 3000 rpm, the organic phase was transferred to a new tube (18 mL). The aquatic phase was extracted once more with isopropanol (1.5 mL) and diethyl ether/n-hexane (3 mL, 1:1 v/v). The combined organic phase was further washed twice with a sodium chloride solution (4 mL, 0.9%), whereas the aquatic phase was removed to a 15 mL tube. The combined aquatic phase was further extracted with diethyl ether/n-hexane (3 mL, 1:1 v/v) to get the analytes recovered to the organic phase. Finally, the combined organic phase was transferred to a pre-weighted beaker and lipid content was measured gravimetrically.

The lipids were dissolved with n-hexane (4 mL) in a test tube. Sulfuric acid (4 mL) was added to remove the lipids. The upper organic phase was taken out after inverting and centrifugation. The lower acid phase was partitioning once more with 4 mL n-hexane. The combined organic phase was concentrated to about 0.5 mL by a gentle nitrogen flow. A multi-layer column prepared in a Pasteur pipette packaged with activated silica gel (0.1) and silica gel impregnated with sulfuric acid (0.9 g, 2:1 w/w) from bottom to top was applied to further clean up. The column was preconditioned with n-hexane (3 mL), afterwards, the sample was applied to the column and eluted with n-hexane/dichloromethane (15 mL, 1:1 v/v). The collected solvent was evaporated to 1 mL by nitrogen flow. Silica gel column (deactivated with 3% water w/w, 4g, 0.063-0.2 mm Kieselgel 60) was applied to separate CPs from other nonpolar POPs described in detail elsewhere.<sup>2</sup> The column was conditioned by n-hexane (30 mL). The first fraction eluted with n-hexane (28 mL) was discarded to remove

nonpolar POPs such as PCBs and HCB. The second fraction containing CPs was collected with n-hexane/diethyl ether (30 mL, 3:1 v/v). Prior to instrumental analysis, Dechlorane 603 (10 ng) was added to samples as volumetric standard. Three empty tubes were prepared as field blanks in China and tested for possible contamination. One procedural blank was analyzed in parallel with each batch of five samples to assess any potential contamination through the laboratory work.

### **Instrumental analysis of CPs**

The recovery of  $^{13}\text{C}_{10}$ -1,5,5,6,6,10-hexachlorodecane was analyzed by a Varian 450 gas chromatograph equipped with an electron capture detector (GC-ECD) and a Varian CP-8400 auto-sampler. Injections (1  $\mu\text{L}$ ) were performed on a programmable temperature vaporizing (PTV) injector operating in splitless mode at a temperature of 250 °C. CP-Sil 5CB column (15 m x 0.25 mm i.d. x 0.25  $\mu\text{m}$  film thickness; Varian capillary column) was used. Helium and nitrogen were used as carrier gas and make-up gas, respectively. The column oven temperature program was set as: 80 °C hold for 2 min, 15 °C/min to 300°C and hold for 8 min. Native CPs in human milk samples were analyzed using direct injection dichloromethane-enhanced APCI-QTOF-MS (QTOF Premier, Waters, UK) with same instrumental settings described in a previous study.<sup>3</sup> We screened chloride adduct ions of 280 CP congener groups from  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{17}\text{Cl}_3$  to  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{52}\text{Cl}_{14}$  ( $\text{C}_{9-31}$ ,  $\text{Cl}_{2-14}$ ) in individual samples.  $\text{C}_9$  and up to  $\text{C}_{27}$  CPs were confirmed. Instrumental responses of the CP congener groups represented their profile of each sample.

We compared CP chain length ranges in the samples with those in a set of CP technical products ( $n = 65$ ) and selected a sub-set of 16 products (Table S3) for quantification in this study, consisting of 5 SCCPs, 6 MCCPs, and 5 LCCPs. The CP congener group profile of each human milk samples was reconstructed by a deconvolution algorithm<sup>4</sup> from the profiles of the selected technical products. Then percentage contributions of the technical products were used to calculate instrumental response factors of SCCPs, MCCPs, and LCCPs in the sample. Here concentrations of  $\text{C}_9$  CPs were included in those of SCCPs, as they were considered as impurities of SCCPs.<sup>5</sup> The performance of CP quantification was evaluated by the goodness of fit ( $R^2$ ) between the reconstructed profile and the native one.  $R^2 \geq 0.50$  indicates a valid quantification.<sup>4, 6</sup> Quantification of all samples fulfilled the criterion (Table S4).

**Table S1.** Theoretical number of positional isomers for polychlorinated *n*-alkanes by assuming no more than one chlorine atom bound to any carbon atom. The calculation is based on Tomy et al. (1997).<sup>7</sup> CP congeners are defined as individual chemicals identified by its exact structure, chirality not applied.

Chain length	$C_nH_{2n+2-m}Cl_m, m =$	Total number of positional congeners
10	1-10	527
11	1-11	1 055
12	1-12	2 079
13	1-13	4 159
14	1-14	8 255
15	1-15	16 511
16	1-16	32 895
17	1-17	65 791
18	1-18	131 327
19	1-19	262 655
20	1-20	524 799
21	1-21	1 049 599
22	1-22	2 098 175
23	1-23	4 196 351
24	1-24	8 390 655
25	1-25	16 781 311
26	1-26	33 558 527
27	1-27	67 117 055
28	1-28	134 225 919
29	1-29	268 451 839
30	1-30	536 887 295

**Table S2.** Detailed information and CP concentrations in human milk from Shanghai, Jiaxing, Shaoxing (China), Stockholm (Sweden), and Bodø (Norway).

Sample ID	Sampling Date (yyyy)	Age of Mother (year)	Duration <sup>a</sup> (year)	Occupation	Age of child <sup>b</sup> (day)	No. of children <sup>c</sup>	SCCPs (ng g <sup>-1</sup> fat)	MCCPs (ng g <sup>-1</sup> fat)	LCCPs (ng g <sup>-1</sup> fat)
Shanghai-1	2015	30	10	Financial staff	39	1	664	1260	56.9
Shanghai-2	2015	38	8	Staff	47	2	33.4	37.9	15.0
Shanghai-3	2015	28	7	Planning designer	52	2	25.6	66.2	11.8
Shanghai-4	2015	31	9	Editor	34	2	89.2	129	16.9
Shanghai-5	2016	25	6	financial staff	43	1	19.9	50.9	20.8
Shanghai-6	2016	31	31	Architect	74	1	676	192	<LOD
Shanghai-7	2016	32	16	Teacher	54	2	36.6	76.3	1.83
Shanghai-8	2016	36	27	NA	46	1	16.8	73.9	7.44
Shanghai-9	2016	24	24	NA	NA	1	14.8	59.8	9.10
Shanghai-10	2016	27	27	NA	NA	1	38	56.4	3.49
Jiaxing-1	2015	30	10	Financial staff	59	2	16.7	32.3	12.4
Jiaxing-2	2015	28	28	Freelance	34	2	134	153	3.18
Jiaxing-3	2015	39	39	Freelance	49	2	140	70.1	18.4
Jiaxing-4	2015	35	12	Policeman	40	2	28.6	63	6.12
Jiaxing-5	2015	29	29	Bank employee	47	1	467	246	8.01
Jiaxing-6	2015	26	26	NA	40	2	21.9	51.3	8.71
Jiaxing-7	2016	40	40	Freelance	26	2	18.7	48.6	5.23
Jiaxing-8	2016	28	28	Staff	57	1	11.6	35.3	3.14
Jiaxing-9	2016	27	27	Accountant	45	1	620	263	1.53
Jiaxing-10	2016	28	28	Teacher	51	1	642	335	<LOD
Jiaxing-11	2016	30	30	Teacher	38	1	17.9	28.0	<LOD
Jiaxing-12	2016	40	21	NA	43	2	171	547	<LOD
Jiaxing-13	2016	28	28	Staff	29	2	<LOD	16.1	6.79
Shaoxing-1	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	21.2	53.1	46.9
Shaoxing-2	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	31.9	55.9	4.89
Shaoxing-3	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	28.7	89.7	15.7
Shaoxing-4	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	<LOD	37.5	9.91
Shaoxing-5	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	81.2	132	7.94
Shaoxing-6	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	66.1	121	184
Shaoxing-7	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	37.9	123	12.6
Shaoxing-8	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	64.7	121	14.6
Shaoxing-9	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	124	187	22.8
Shaoxing-10	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	43.5	86.0	120
Shaoxing-11	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	52.5	125	7.94
Shaoxing-12	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	17.3	139	8.90
Shaoxing-13	2010	20-25	>10	NA	NA	1	<LOD	81.3	15.3

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Stockholm2016-1	2016	34	>10	NA	NA	1	<LOD	21.1	7.46
Stockholm2016-2	2016	27	>10	NA	NA	1	20.0	19.2	4.53
Stockholm2016-3	2016	31	>10	NA	NA	1	<LOD	21.0	<LOD
Stockholm2016-4	2016	31	>10	NA	NA	1	13.8	<LOD	1.65
Stockholm2016-5	2016	26	>10	NA	NA	1	11.7	27.4	1.70
Stockholm2016-6	2016	26	>10	NA	NA	1	27.8	17.2	9.34
Stockholm2016-7	2016	25	>10	NA	NA	1	<LOD	60	8.32
Stockholm2016-8	2016	27	>10	NA	NA	1	<LOD	29.6	2.80
Stockholm2016-9	2016	27	>10	NA	NA	1	<LOD	19.1	<LOD
Stockholm2011-1	2011	30	>10	NA	NA	1	23.3	71	21.4
Stockholm2011-2	2011	31	>10	NA	NA	1	15.4	26.9	4.43
Stockholm2011-3	2011	31	>10	NA	NA	1	15.8	36.7	4.14
Stockholm2011-4	2011	31	>10	NA	NA	1	14.0	17.3	<LOD
Stockholm2011-5	2011	30	>10	NA	NA	1	12.9	34.7	8.92
Stockholm2011-6	2011	31	>10	NA	NA	1	24.1	77.7	6.58
Stockholm2011-7	2011	30	>10	NA	NA	1	19.0	38.0	1.84
Stockholm2011-8	2011	29	>10	NA	NA	1	18.8	19.2	1.50
Stockholm2011-9	2011	30	>10	NA	NA	1	11.8	53.7	5.26
Stockholm2011-10	2011	31	>10	NA	NA	1	14.4	42.1	3.01
Bodø-1	2014	37	>10	Cashier	77	NA	<LOD	<LOD	<LOD
Bodø-2	2014	27	>10	Store's manager	84	NA	120	88.3	29
Bodø-3	2014	40	3.5	Network Administrator	84	NA	<LOD	52.4	4.35
Bodø-4	2014	32	>10	DNB bank ASA	150	NA	<LOD	16.4	2.46
Bodø-5	2014	30	10	Barber	NA	NA	22.3	28.3	4.95
Bodø-6	2014	39	>10	Accountant	63	NA	<LOD	311	<LOD
Bodø-7	2014	36	>10	Barber	98	NA	24.3	35.5	10.8
Bodø-8	2014	41	>10	Dentist	70	NA	20.4	50.6	4.17

<sup>a</sup> number of years living at the current place of residence;

<sup>b</sup> time of sampling after parturition

<sup>c</sup> number of children.

NA: not available.

LODs of SCCPs, MCCPs, and LCCPs are 11.5, 15.7, and 1.09 ng g<sup>-1</sup> fat in this study, respectively.

**Table S3.** CP technical product list involved in the present study.

<i>Category</i>	<i>Product</i>	<i>Manufacturer</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Ingredients*</i>
SCCPs	SCCP 51.5 %Cl	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>10-13</sub> 51.5% Cl
	SCCP 55.5 %Cl	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>10-13</sub> 55.5% Cl
	SCCP 63.0 %Cl	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>10-13</sub> 63.0% Cl
	Witaclor 149	Dynamit Nobel AG	Germany	C <sub>10-13</sub> 49% Cl
	Hüls 70C	Hüls AG	Germany	C <sub>10-13</sub> 70% Cl
MCCPs	MP42	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>14-17</sub> 42.0% Cl
	MP52	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>14-17</sub> 52.0% Cl
	MP57	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>14-17</sub> 57.0% Cl
	Cloparin 49st	Caffaro	Italy	C <sub>14-17</sub> 49% Cl
	Cloparin 50	Caffaro	Italy	C <sub>14-17</sub> 50% Cl
	CereclorS52	INEOS Chlor Ltd.	UK	C <sub>14-17</sub> 52% Cl
	YS CP52	unknown	China	C <sub>14</sub> 52% Cl
LCCPs	Hüls 40N	Hüls AG	Germany	C <sub>18-26</sub> 40% Cl
	Witaclor 549	Dynamit Nobel AG	Germany	C <sub>18-25</sub> 49% Cl
	Unichlor 40	Neville Chemical Co.	USA	C <sub>22-27</sub> 40 %Cl
	LCCP 36.0 %Cl	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>18-20</sub> 36.0% Cl
	LCCP 49.0 %Cl	Ehrenstorfer GmbH	Germany	C <sub>18-20</sub> 49.0% Cl

\* specifications from the manufacturer.



**Table S4.** Relative Contributions of CP technical products in pattern reconstruction of individual human milk samples.

<i>Site</i>	<i>R</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>SCCP 51.5%CI</i>	<i>SCCP 55.5%CI</i>	<i>SCCP 63.0%CI</i>	<i>Witactor 149</i>	<i>Hüls 70C</i>	<i>MP42</i>	<i>MP52</i>	<i>MP57</i>	<i>Cloparin 49st</i>	<i>Cloparin 50</i>	<i>Cereclor S52</i>	<i>LCCP 36%CI</i>	<i>LCCP 49%CI</i>	<i>Witactor 549</i>	<i>Hüls 40N</i>	<i>Uniclor 40</i>
Shanghai-1	0.76	7%	9%	0%	18%		24%	16%		23%			2%	0%			
Shanghai-2	0.87		35%	7%		1%	1%	29%		2%	13%		1%	11%	3%		
Shanghai-3	0.89		29%	4%	0%	0%	11%	46%					3%	5%	1%		
Shanghai-4	0.51		30%	8%	1%		3%	43%		3%	5%			7%			
Shanghai-5	0.78	3%	21%	3%	1%	2%		45%			7%			17%			
Shanghai-6	0.57			3%	43%		14%	9%	21%		9%						0%
Shanghai-7	0.87		19%	3%	3%	0%	14%		56%	5%				1%			
Shanghai-8	0.84	22%		2%		0%	3%	60%		1%	5%			6%			
Shanghai-9	0.82	0%	12%	5%	10%	1%	25%		28%	14%			2%	2%			
Shanghai-10	0.78		11%	2%	18%	0%	21%		20%		27%			1%			
Jiaxing-1	0.77	0%	17%	5%	11%		12%	28%			11%		15%	2%			
Jiaxing-2	0.50		12%	4%	22%		41%		18%					3%			
Jiaxing-3	0.68		26%	2%	31%		4%	7%			22%			8%			
Jiaxing-4	0.88	1%	27%	0%	3%	1%	22%	27%			14%			5%			
Jiaxing-5	0.67		11%	2%	51%		13%	16%			6%			1%			
Jiaxing-6	0.89		15%	6%	7%		22%		40%	5%			1%	3%			
Jiaxing-7	0.88	0%	16%	5%	5%	2%	21%		39%	2%	6%			3%			
Jiaxing-8	0.83		18%	0%	6%	1%	7%		34%	0%	32%			2%			
Jiaxing-9	0.68			1%	55%		30%	12%	1%					0%			
Jiaxing-10	0.50		16%	5%	34%		32%		14%								
Jiaxing-11	0.74		22%	5%	14%	5%	27%	16%			10%			1%			
Jiaxing-12	0.91		15%	3%			9%		73%					0%			
Jiaxing-13	0.89	0%	17%	6%	4%	0%	4%		44%	5%	13%			6%		0%	

<i>Site</i>	<i>R<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>SCCP 51.5%CI</i>	<i>SCCP 55.5%CI</i>	<i>SCCP 63.0%CI</i>	<i>Witaclor 149</i>	<i>Hüls 70C</i>	<i>MP42</i>	<i>MP52</i>	<i>MP57</i>	<i>Cloparin 49st</i>	<i>Cloparin 50</i>	<i>Cereclor S52</i>	<i>LCCP 36%CI</i>	<i>LCCP 49%CI</i>	<i>Witaclor 549</i>	<i>Hüls 40N</i>	<i>Uniclor 40</i>
Shaoxing-1	0.86		19%	4%	1%	2%	2%	16%			26%			28%	2%		
Shaoxing-2	0.88		29%	7%	1%			55%						9%			
Shaoxing-3	0.89	13%	5%	4%	0%	1%		62%		1%			0%	9%	4%	1%	
Shaoxing-4	0.84	4%	20%	4%	8%	2%	4%	36%		9%	2%		3%	8%			
Shaoxing-5	0.90		19%		18%	1%	1%	57%					1%	2%			
Shaoxing-6	0.72		18%	1%	1%	1%		19%			14%			43%	0%	3%	
Shaoxing-7	0.91	20%	4%	2%	0%	1%	15%	36%		1%	15%		0%	6%		0%	
Shaoxing-8	0.81	30%	3%	2%	1%	2%	9%	44%			3%			6%			
Shaoxing-9	0.82	21%	10%	1%		0%	16%	3%	32%	1%	5%	7%	0%	3%			
Shaoxing-10	0.86	6%	7%	4%	0%	0%		33%		1%	3%		0%	7%	23%	5%	8%
Shaoxing-11	0.94	14%	9%	5%	1%	1%		65%		1%			0%	3%		1%	
Shaoxing-12	0.98	3%	9%	1%	0%	0%	19%	62%					1%	3%	2%		
Shaoxing-13	0.92	3%	14%		0%	1%		49%			21%			12%			
Stockholm2016-1	0.77	1%	24%	3%	4%	2%	32%	12%		8%			2%	11%	1%		
Stockholm2016-2	0.77		6%	7%	30%	5%	14%	24%		7%	0%		5%	3%			
Stockholm2016-3	0.83	19%		8%	1%	4%	39%	18%			8%			3%			
Stockholm2016-4	0.78		11%	4%	16%	7%	19%	11%		8%	10%		1%	8%	4%		
Stockholm2016-5	0.89		13%	5%	15%	4%	24%	22%			14%			3%			
Stockholm2016-6	0.69		9%	6%	32%	5%	15%	15%		6%				12%			
Stockholm2016-7	0.75	13%	5%	4%	0%	1%	51%	12%		1%	6%			8%		0%	
Stockholm2016-8	0.85		19%	1%	1%	3%	16%	47%		1%	8%		3%	2%			
Stockholm2016-9	0.65	20%	12%	7%	1%	2%	34%	9%		1%	13%		0%	0%			
Stockholm2011-1	0.76	0%	12%	1%	4%	5%	48%	8%			7%			3%	12%	0%	
Stockholm2011-2	0.86		9%	4%	13%	6%	13%	39%			8%		1%	5%			

<i>Site</i>	<i>R<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>SCCP 51.5%CI</i>	<i>SCCP 55.5%CI</i>	<i>SCCP 63.0%CI</i>	<i>Witacolor 149</i>	<i>Hüls 70C</i>	<i>MP42</i>	<i>MP52</i>	<i>MP57</i>	<i>Cloparin 49st</i>	<i>Cloparin 50</i>	<i>Cereclor S52</i>	<i>LCCP 36%CI</i>	<i>LCCP 49%CI</i>	<i>Witacolor 549</i>	<i>Hüls 40N</i>	<i>Uniclor 40</i>
Stockholm2011-3	0.67		19%		8%	2%	46%	20%							5%		
Stockholm2011-4	0.78		16%	2%	13%	5%	52%	8%							3%		
Stockholm2011-5	0.85	10%	4%	5%	1%	5%	58%			0%	5%		7%	5%			
Stockholm2011-6	0.80	0%	22%	1%	2%	2%	60%	5%		1%	2%		3%	3%			
Stockholm2011-7	0.72		17%	3%	16%	6%	47%				9%			3%			
Stockholm2011-8	0.76		18%	4%	21%	7%	30%	7%			9%			4%			
Stockholm2011-9	0.83		17%	2%	1%	2%	51%	13%		1%	6%		2%	5%			
Stockholm2011-10	0.81	15%	7%	6%	0%	1%	58%	7%		1%				0%	4%	1%	
Bodø-1	0.69	0%	21%	3%	12%	12%	25%	0%		5%	20%		1%	1%			
Bodø-2	0.69	43%	6%		1%	1%	27%	9%		2%					7%	2%	
Bodø-3	0.91	10%	6%	3%	0%	1%	69%	5%		0%			0%	5%			
Bodø-4	0.71		21%	3%	12%	5%	33%	11%			10%		2%	4%			
Bodø-5	0.79	0%	18%	5%	7%	8%	24%	16%			15%		5%	2%			
Bodø-6	0.94		0%	0%	1%		0%		98%	0%							
Bodø-7	0.74		8%	6%	20%	3%	31%	12%		6%			4%	5%	4%		
Bodø-8	0.89	0%	8%	3%	16%	4%	20%	16%		7%	21%		2%	4%			

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Variable	n	Group	Chi-Square	Asymp. Sig.	Variable	n	Group	Chi-Square	Asymp. Sig.
C9H18C12	63	6	0.000	1.000	C13H20C18	63	6	20.954	0.001
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C9H16C14	63	6	29.358	0.000	C13H18C110	63	6	0.926	0.968
C9H15C15	63	6	37.739	0.000	C13H17C111	63	6	11.876	0.037
C9H14C16	63	6	19.131	0.002	C13H16C112	63	6	4.098	0.535
C9H13C17	63	6	9.516	0.090	C13H15C113	63	6	0.000	1.000
C9H12C18	63	6	15.326	0.009	C13H14C114	63	6	0.000	1.000
C9H11C19	63	6	5.581	0.349	C14H28C12	63	6	5.395	0.370
C10H19C13	63	6	5.867	0.319	C14H27C13	63	6	32.074	0.000
C10H18C14	63	6	20.874	0.001	C14H26C14	63	6	35.749	0.000
C10H17C15	63	6	29.952	0.000	C14H25C15	63	6	17.953	0.003
C10H16C16	63	6	29.665	0.000	C14H24C16	63	6	11.656	0.040
C10H15C17	63	6	20.173	0.001	C14H23C17	63	6	20.008	0.001
C10H14C18	63	6	7.191	0.207	C14H22C18	63	6	18.250	0.003
C10H13C19	63	6	12.523	0.028	C14H21C19	63	6	8.412	0.135
C10H12C110	63	6	8.689	0.122	C14H20C110	63	6	0.771	0.979
C10H11C111	63	6	14.639	0.012	C14H19C111	63	6	9.475	0.092
C10H10C112	63	6	5.874	0.319	C14H18C112	63	6	5.146	0.398
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C11H20C14	63	6	15.205	0.010	C14H16C114	63	6	0.000	1.000
C11H19C15	63	6	16.935	0.005	C15H30C12	63	6	5.022	0.413
C11H18C16	63	6	9.015	0.108	C15H29C13	63	6	31.925	0.000
C11H17C17	63	6	9.380	0.095	C15H28C14	63	6	35.439	0.000
C11H16C18	63	6	27.270	0.000	C15H27C15	63	6	30.044	0.000
C11H15C19	63	6	16.512	0.006	C15H26C16	63	6	5.784	0.328
C11H14C110	63	6	28.552	0.000	C15H25C17	63	6	7.797	0.168
C11H13C111	63	6	6.655	0.248	C15H24C18	63	6	7.308	0.199
C11H12C112	63	6	1.341	0.931	C15H23C19	63	6	1.312	0.934
C12H24C12	63	6	10.936	0.053	C15H22C110	63	6	1.693	0.890
C12H23C13	63	6	2.176	0.824	C15H21C111	63	6	5.566	0.351
C12H22C14	63	6	6.856	0.232	C15H20C112	63	6	5.540	0.354
C12H21C15	63	6	6.190	0.288	C15H19C113	63	6	0.000	1.000
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C12H19C17	63	6	3.448	0.631	C16H32C12	63	6	0.000	1.000
C12H18C18	63	6	2.449	0.784	C16H31C13	63	6	16.401	0.006
C12H17C19	63	6	3.632	0.604	C16H30C14	63	6	31.864	0.000
C12H16C110	63	6	10.064	0.073	C16H29C15	63	6	25.621	0.000
C12H15C111	63	6	3.936	0.559	C16H28C16	63	6	5.787	0.327
C12H14C112	63	6	6.970	0.223	C16H27C17	63	6	6.023	0.304
C12H13C113	63	6	0.000	1.000	C16H26C18	63	6	4.859	0.433
C12H12C114	63	6	0.000	1.000	C16H25C19	63	6	10.717	0.057
C13H26C12	63	6	8.453	0.133	C16H24C110	63	6	0.755	0.980
C13H25C13	63	6	5.843	0.322	C16H23C111	63	6	7.377	0.194
C13H24C14	63	6	9.835	0.080	C16H22C112	63	6	0.889	0.971
C13H23C15	63	6	5.896	0.317	C16H21C113	63	6	0.000	1.000
C13H22C16	63	6	11.402	0.044	C16H20C114	63	6	0.000	1.000
C13H21C17	63	6	20.075	0.001	C17H34C12	63	6	0.000	1.000

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Variable	n	Group	Chi-Square	Asymp. Sig.	Variable	n	Group	Chi-Square	Asymp. Sig.
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C17H31CI5	63	6	16.034	0.007	C20H29CI13	63	6	0.000	1.000
C17H30CI6	63	6	7.506	0.186	C20H28CI14	63	6	0.000	1.000
C17H29CI7	63	6	2.656	0.753	C21H42CI2	63	6	0.000	1.000
C17H28CI8	63	6	3.752	0.586	C21H41CI3	63	6	9.574	0.088
C17H27CI9	63	6	8.487	0.131	C21H40CI4	63	6	7.555	0.183
C17H26CI10	63	6	2.888	0.717	C21H39CI5	63	6	4.445	0.487
C17H25CI11	63	6	1.515	0.911	C21H38CI6	63	6	7.976	0.158
C17H24CI12	63	6	5.935	0.313	C21H37CI7	63	6	2.672	0.750
C17H23CI13	63	6	0.000	1.000	C21H36CI8	63	6	2.558	0.768
C17H22CI14	63	6	0.000	1.000	C21H35CI9	63	6	6.550	0.256
C18H36CI2	63	6	0.000	1.000	C21H34CI10	63	6	2.879	0.719
C18H35CI3	63	6	2.708	0.745	C21H33CI11	63	6	12.207	0.032
C18H34CI4	63	6	3.314	0.652	C21H32CI12	63	6	5.743	0.332
C18H33CI5	63	6	8.847	0.115	C21H31CI13	63	6	0.000	1.000
C18H32CI6	63	6	12.606	0.027	C21H30CI14	63	6	0.000	1.000
C18H31CI7	63	6	9.694	0.084	C22H44CI2	63	6	3.846	0.572
C18H30CI8	63	6	6.147	0.292	C22H43CI3	63	6	4.143	0.529
C18H29CI9	63	6	3.138	0.679	C22H42CI4	63	6	4.516	0.478
C18H28CI10	63	6	5.837	0.322	C22H41CI5	63	6	5.743	0.332
C18H27CI11	63	6	2.992	0.701	C22H40CI6	63	6	5.673	0.339
C18H26CI12	63	6	6.061	0.300	C22H39CI7	63	6	5.743	0.332
C18H25CI13	63	6	0.000	1.000	C22H38CI8	63	6	5.673	0.339
C18H24CI14	63	6	0.000	1.000	C22H37CI9	63	6	5.673	0.339
C19H38CI2	63	6	0.000	1.000	C22H36CI10	63	6	3.656	0.600
C19H37CI3	63	6	2.594	0.762	C22H35CI11	63	6	3.609	0.607
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C19H32CI8	63	6	7.590	0.180	C23H45CI3	63	6	0.000	1.000
C19H31CI9	63	6	3.403	0.638	C23H44CI4	63	6	3.846	0.572
C19H30CI10	63	6	3.287	0.656	C23H43CI5	63	6	3.609	0.607
C19H29CI11	63	6	5.069	0.407	C23H42CI6	63	6	7.816	0.167
C19H28CI12	63	6	4.624	0.463	C23H41CI7	63	6	5.821	0.324
C19H27CI13	63	6	0.000	1.000	C23H40CI8	63	6	7.816	0.167
C19H26CI14	63	6	0.000	1.000	C23H39CI9	63	6	5.743	0.332
C20H40CI2	63	6	0.000	1.000	C23H38CI10	63	6	3.656	0.600
C20H39CI3	63	6	1.651	0.895	C23H37CI11	63	6	3.846	0.572
C20H38CI4	63	6	6.531	0.258	C23H36CI12	63	6	3.846	0.572
C20H37CI5	63	6	7.529	0.184	C23H35CI13	63	6	0.000	1.000
C20H36CI6	63	6	6.710	0.243	C23H34CI14	63	6	0.000	1.000
C20H35CI7	63	6	11.314	0.045	C24H48CI2	63	6	5.300	0.380
C20H34CI8	63	6	5.255	0.386	C24H47CI3	63	6	3.656	0.600
C20H33CI9	63	6	3.644	0.602	C24H46CI4	63	6	3.609	0.607
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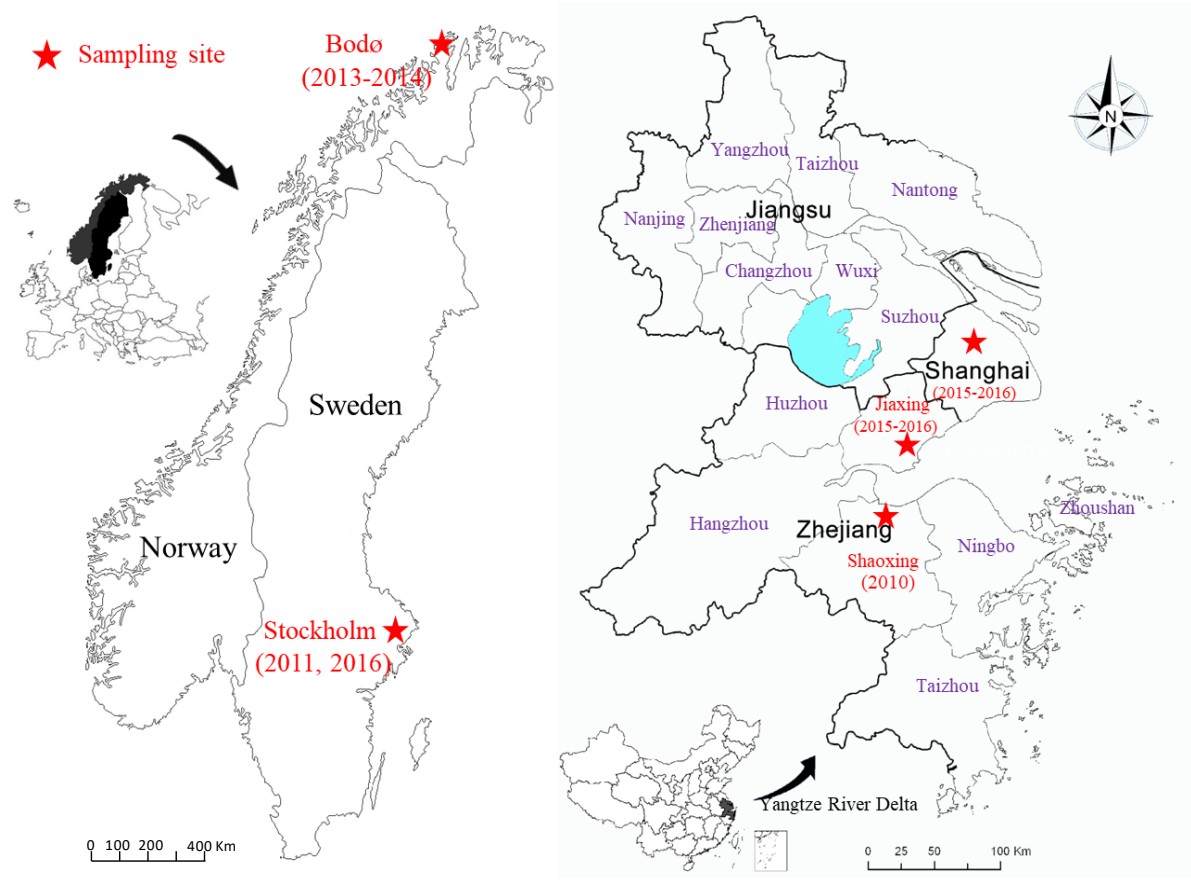
**Table S5.** (Cont.) Test statistics of Kruskal Wallis Test grouped by sampling sites

Variable	n	Group	Chi-Square	Asymp. Sig.	Variable	n	Group	Chi-Square	Asymp. Sig.
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C24H43C17	63	6	5.743	0.332	C26H42C112	63	6	3.846	0.572
C24H42C18	63	6	7.816	0.167	C26H41C113	63	6	0.000	1.000
C24H41C19	63	6	7.816	0.167	C26H40C114	63	6	0.000	1.000
C24H40C110	63	6	7.816	0.167	C26H39C115	63	6	0.000	1.000
C24H39C111	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H54C12	63	6	5.146	0.398
C24H38C112	63	6	7.816	0.167	C27H53C13	63	6	2.952	0.707
C24H37C113	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H52C14	63	6	3.846	0.572
C24H36C114	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H51C15	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H50C12	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H50C16	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H49C13	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H49C17	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H48C14	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H48C18	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H47C15	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H47C19	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H46C16	63	6	7.816	0.167	C27H46C110	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H45C17	63	6	2.442	0.785	C27H45C111	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H44C18	63	6	7.816	0.167	C27H44C112	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H43C19	63	6	7.816	0.167	C27H43C113	63	6	0.000	1.000
C25H42C110	63	6	7.816	0.167	C27H52C14	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H41C111	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H51C15	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H40C112	63	6	7.816	0.167	C27H50C16	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H39C113	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H49C17	63	6	3.846	0.572
C25H38C114	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H48C18	63	6	3.846	0.572
C26H52C12	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H47C19	63	6	3.846	0.572
C26H51C13	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H46C110	63	6	3.846	0.572
C26H50C14	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H45C111	63	6	3.846	0.572
C26H49C15	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H44C112	63	6	3.846	0.572
C26H48C16	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H43C113	63	6	0.000	1.000
C26H47C17	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H42C114	63	6	0.000	1.000
C26H46C18	63	6	0.000	1.000	C27H41C115	63	6	0.000	1.000
C26H45C19	63	6	3.846	0.572	C27H40C116	63	6	0.000	1.000
C26H44C110	63	6	0.000	1.000					

**Table S6.** Estimated daily intake [EDI, ng (kg BW)<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>] of CPs via breast-feeding of infants, and margin of exposure (MOE, dimensionless).<sup>7</sup>

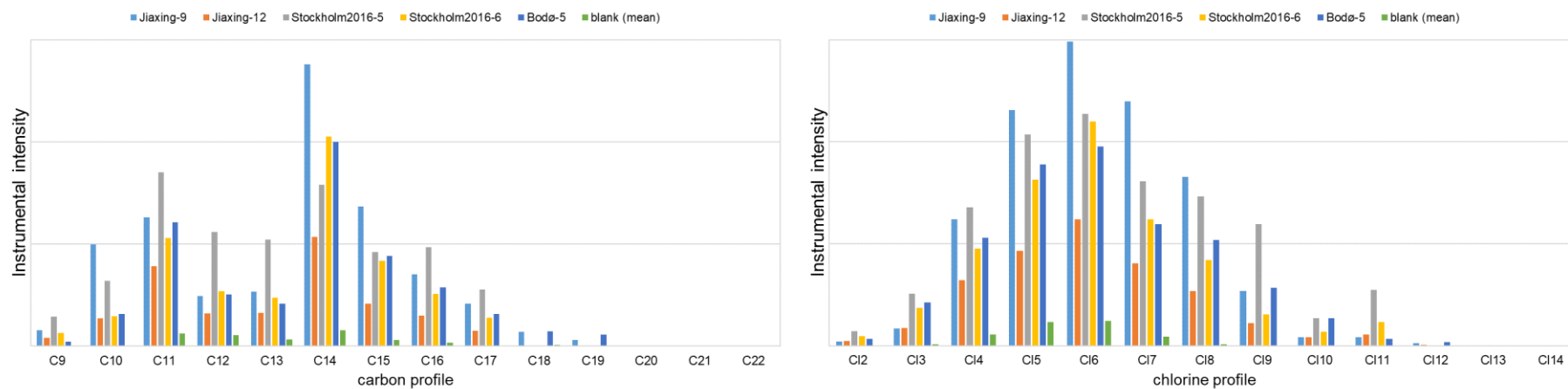
	China n=36	Sweden n=20	Norway n=8	
Mean concentration (ng g fat <sup>-1</sup> )				
SCCPs	124	12.8	23.4	
MCCPs	146	33.3	72.8	
LCCPs	19.1	4.89	6.97	
EDI (ng (kg BW) <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )				
SCCPs	average consumption	570	58.7	107
	high consumption	856	88.0	161
MCCPs	average consumption	669	153	334
	high consumption	1000	229	501
LCCPs	average consumption	87.7	22.4	32.0
	high consumption	132	33.6	48.0
MOE (EU)				
SCCPs	average consumption	4030	39200	21400
	high consumption	2690	26100	14300
MCCPs	average consumption	53800	236000	108000
	high consumption	35900	157000	71800
MOE (ECCC)				
MCCPs	average consumption	8970	39300	18000
	high consumption	5980	26200	12000
LCCPs	average consumption	810000	3170000	2220000
	high consumption	540000	2110000	1480000

The EDI was estimated based on the calculation method given in EFSA (2019), and the BMDL<sub>10</sub> value for SCCPs and MCCPs proposed by EFSA is 2.3 and 36 mg (kg BW)<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.<sup>7</sup> The LOEL value for MCCPs and LCCPs, respectively, proposed by Environment and Climate Change Canada, is 6 and 71 mg (kg BW)<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>.<sup>8</sup>

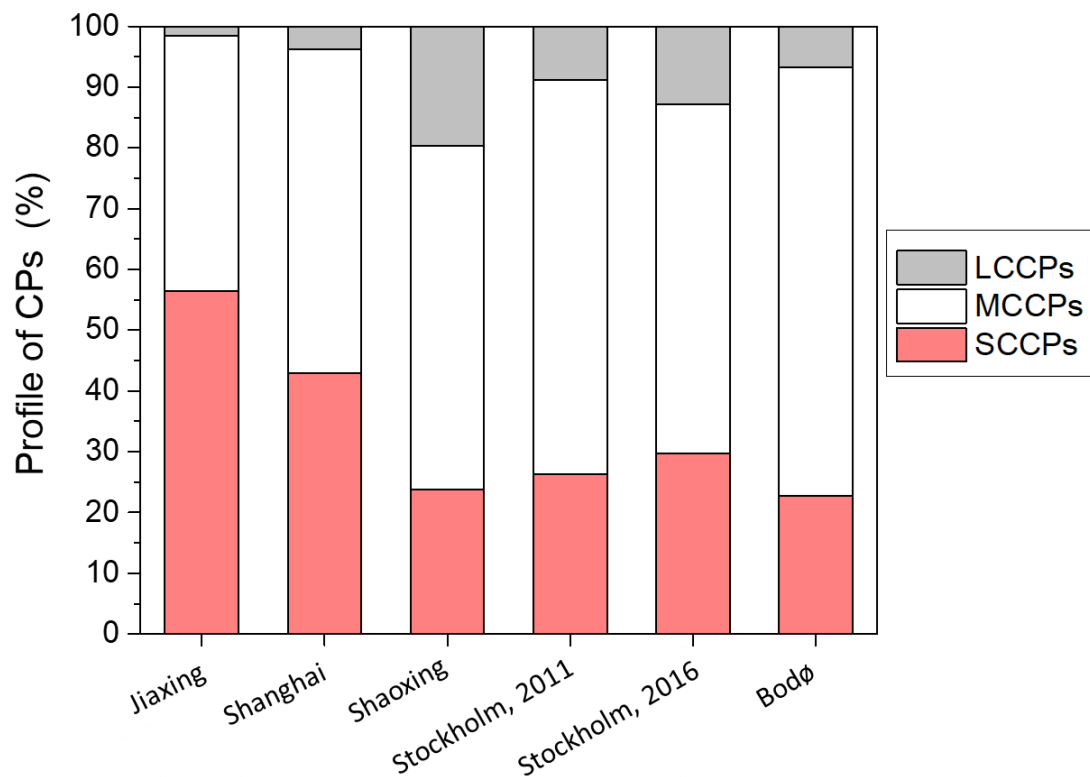


**Figure S1.** Map of sampling sites and sampling years. Left) map of Norway and Sweden, samples were collected in Bodø in 2014 and in Stockholm in 2011 and 2016. Right) map of the Yangtze River Delta, China, samples were collected in Shanghai in 2015-2016, Jiaxing in 2015-2016, and Shaoxing in 2010.

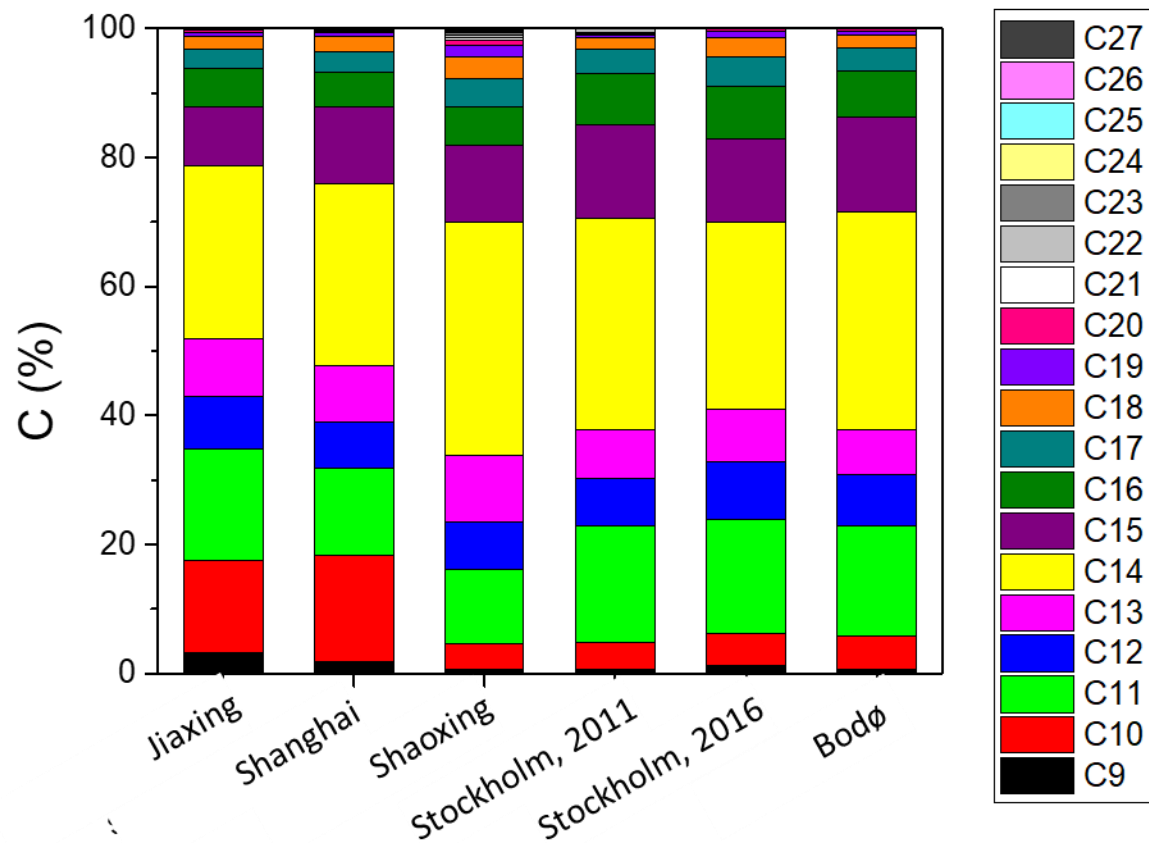




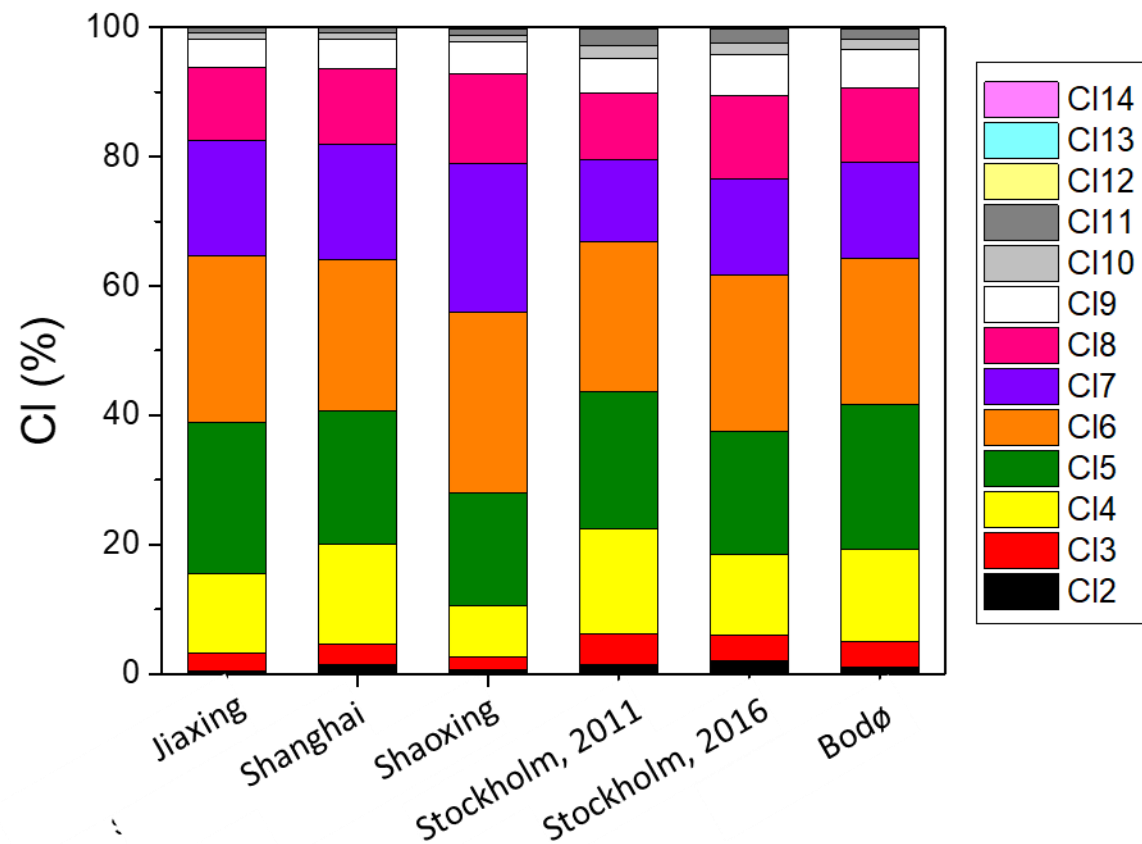
**Figure S2.** Comparisons of carbon and chlorine profiles between blank (mean) and samples with CP concentrations between LOD and LOQ. There are five samples, consisting of two Chinese, two Swedish, and one Norwegian samples. The instrumental intensities of C- and Cl-homologues in the five samples are higher than in the mean blank by an average factor of 10 for both C<sub>11-14</sub> and Cl<sub>4-7</sub> homologues.



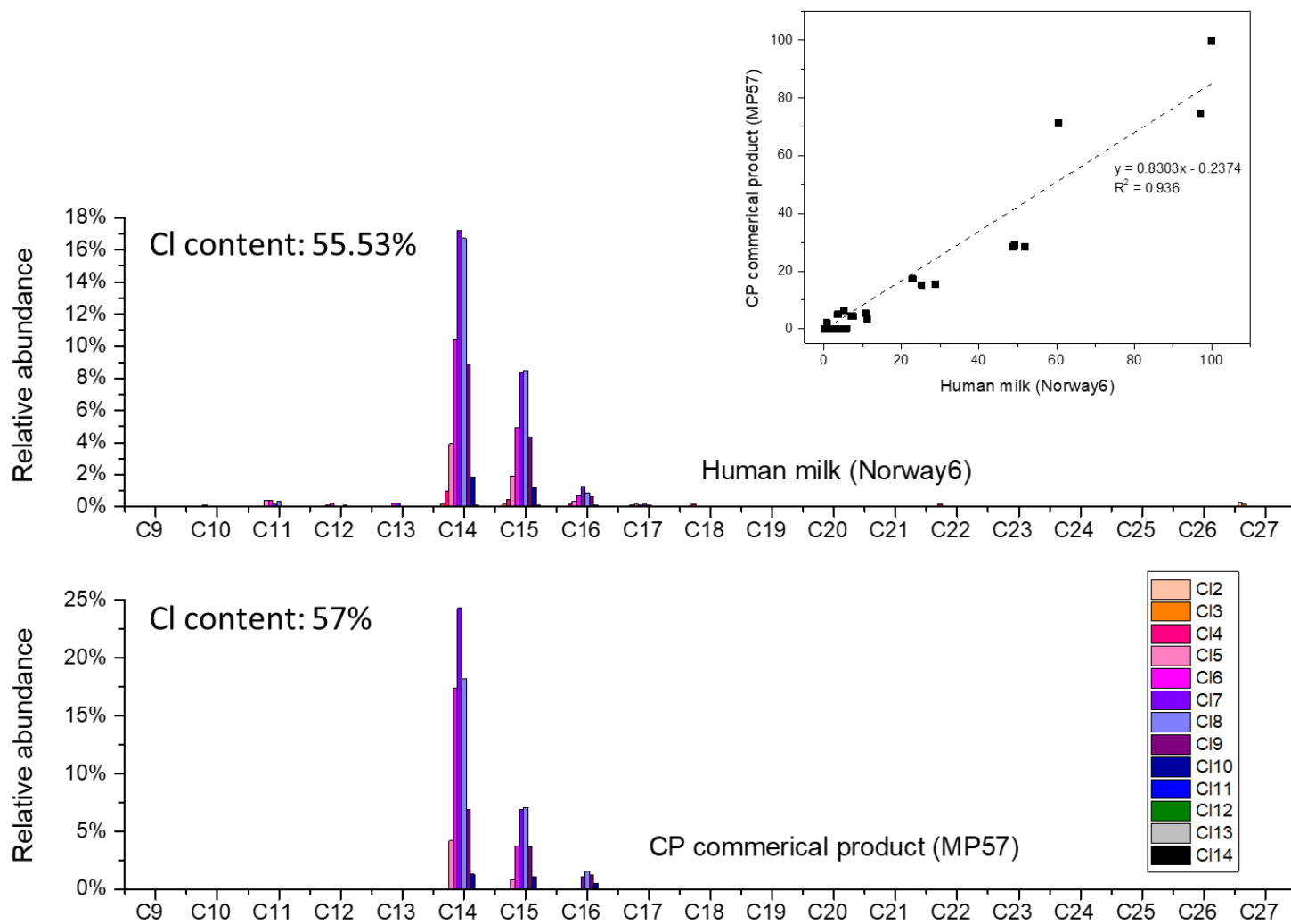
**Figure S3.** Composition profiles of SCCPs, MCCPs, and LCCPs in human milk from Jiaxing, Shanghai, and Shaoxing in China, Stockholm in Sweden, and Bodø in Norway.



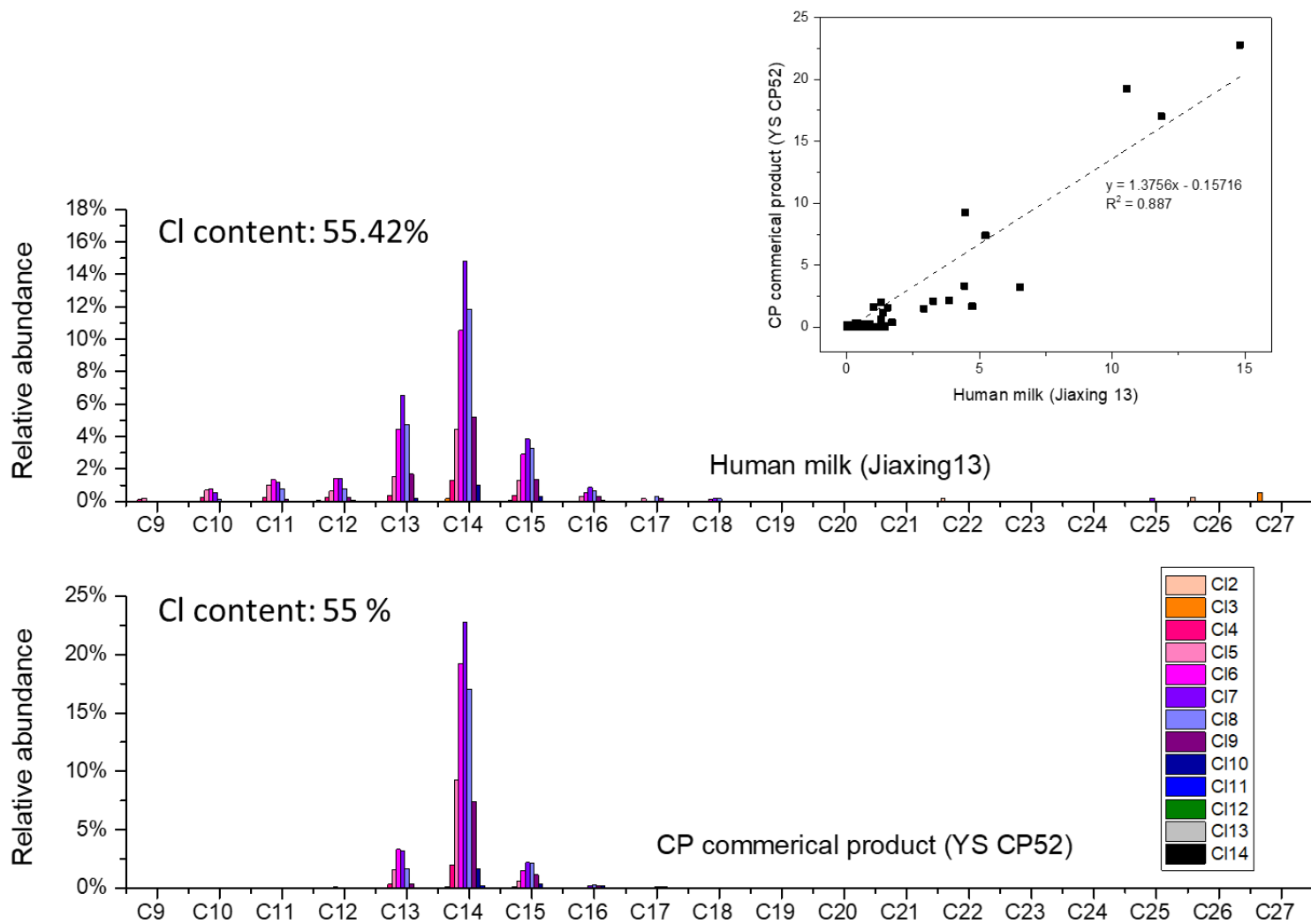
**Figure S4.** Compositional profiles of carbon chain homologs among the CPs assessed showing the occurrence of C<sub>9-27</sub>.



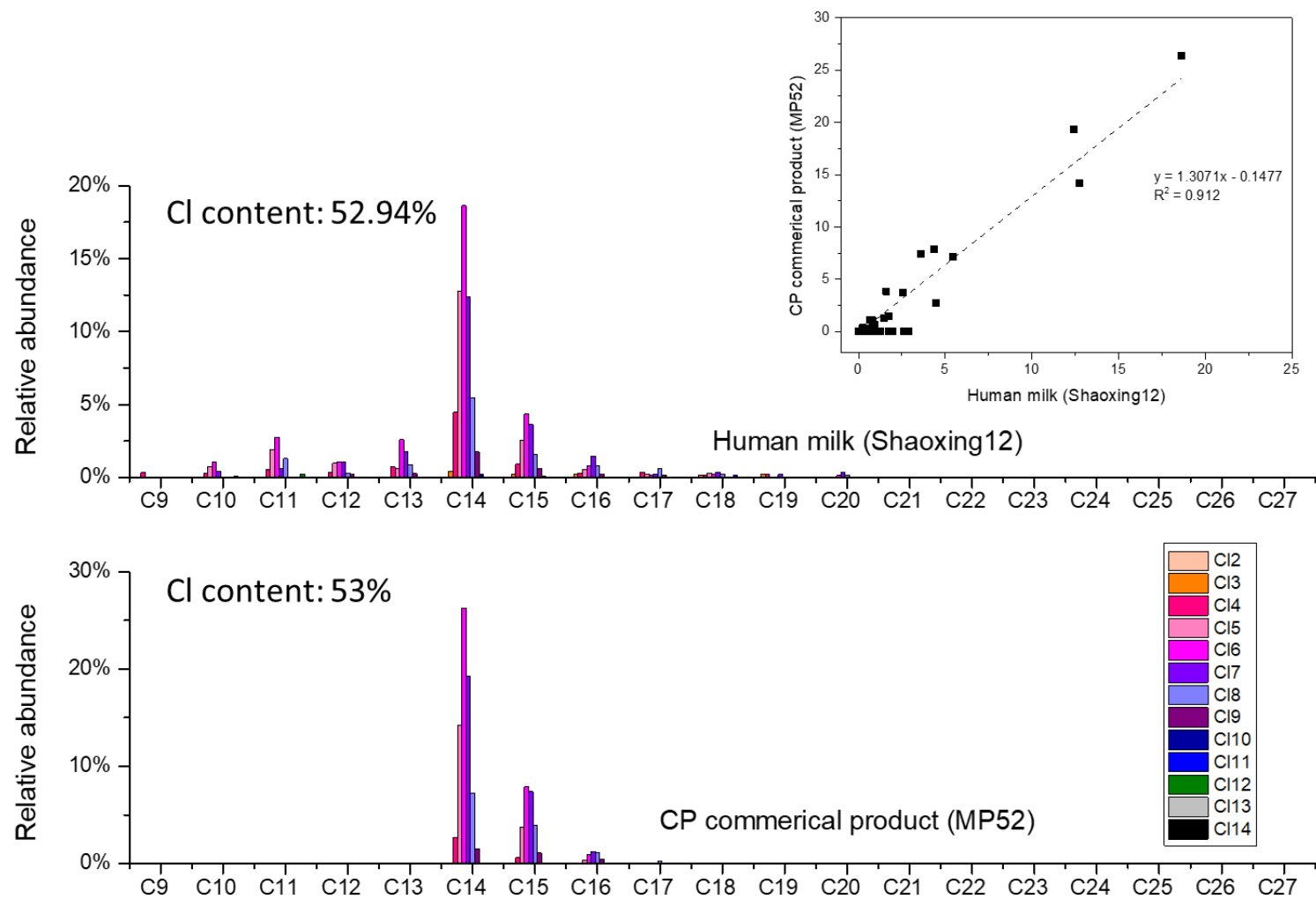
**Figure S5** Compositional profiles of the chlorine homolog series of CPs assessed showing Cl<sub>2-14</sub> in mothers' milk from Jiaxing, Shanghai, Shaoxing, Stockholm, and Bodø.



**Figure S6.** Congener group patterns of chlorinated paraffins (CPs) in one human milk sample (Bodø-6) from Norway and one CP commercial product (MP57) from the European market. The diagram in the upper right corner showed a significant positive correlation ( $R^2=0.94$ ,  $p<0.01$ ) between Bodø-6 and MP57.



**Figure S7.** Congener group patterns of chlorinated paraffins (CPs) in one human milk sample (Jiaxing-12) from Jiaxing, China and one CP commercial product (YS CP52) from the Chinese market. The diagram in upper right corner showed a significant positive correlation ( $R^2=0.89$ ,  $p<0.01$ ) between Jiaxing-12 and YS CP52).



**Figure S8.** Congener group patterns of chlorinated paraffins (CPs) in one human milk sample (Shaoxing-12) from Shaoxing, China and one CP commercial product (MP52) from the European market. The diagram in the upper right corner showed a significant positive correlation ( $R^2=0.91$ ,  $p<0.01$ ) Shaoxing-12 and MP52.

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