

**S2 Table. Associations between food biodiversity and total mortality rates from multivariable Cox proportional hazards regression models, EPIC cohort, 1992-2014.** EPIC, European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition.

	Per 10-species increment	P-value	Quintiles (Qs) of dietary species richness (DSR)					P-trend
			Q <sub>1</sub>	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>3</sub>	Q <sub>4</sub>	Q <sub>5</sub>	
<b>DSR, species per year</b>			<48	[48 – 64]	[64 – 72]	[72 – 81]	≥81	
<b>Total mortality</b>								
All (cases/person-years)	46,627/7,506,482		10,313/1,577,991	10,712/1,662,237	8,068/1,532,349	8,842/1,479,202	8,692/1,254,703	
Sex-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>a</sup>	0.84 (0.83-0.85)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.83 (0.80-0.86)	0.67 (0.64-0.70)	0.56 (0.54-0.58)	0.50 (0.47-0.52)	<0.001
Multi-adjusted model - HR (95% CI) <sup>b</sup>	0.90 (0.89-0.90)	<0.001	1.00 (ref)	0.91 (0.88-0.94)	0.80 (0.76-0.83)	0.69 (0.66-0.72)	0.63 (0.59-0.66)	<0.001

<sup>a</sup>Sex-adjusted models were stratified for centre, age at recruitment (1-y intervals, time-scale), and sex.

<sup>b</sup>Multi-adjusted models were stratified for centre, age at recruitment (1-y intervals, time-scale), and sex and adjusted for baseline alcohol intake (g/day), physical activity (Cambridge index: active; moderately active; moderately inactive; inactive; missing), marital status (single, divorced, separated, or widowed; married or living together; unknown), smoking status and intensity of smoking (current, 1-15 cigarettes/day; current, 16-25 cigarettes/day; current, 26+ cigarettes/day; current, pipe/cigar/occasional; current/former, missing; former, quit 11-20y; former, quit 20+y; former, quit ≤ 10y; never; unknown), educational level [longer education (incl. university degree, technical or professional school); secondary school; primary school completed; not specified], baseline energy intake (kcal/day), baseline fibre intake (g/day), baseline red and processed meat consumption (g/day), and an 18-point Mediterranean diet score [49].

**Abbreviations:** CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio.