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### **Original Research**

#### **Isoflavone Intake is Associated With Decreased Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Morbidity**

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**Table S1. Association between Person-Average Total Isoflavones and Repeated Measures of COPD Morbidity by Continuous Person-Average EPA+DHA**

	Low EPA+DHA <sup>†</sup>		High EPA+DHA <sup>‡</sup>		Interaction
	Mean Difference	P-value	Mean Difference	P-value	P-value
<b>Respiratory Symptoms<sup>a</sup></b>					
CAT	<b>-3.7 (-5.7, -1.6)</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	<b>-1.2 (-2.2, -0.1)</b>	<b>0.026</b>	<b>0.025</b>
MMRC	-0.3 (-0.7, 0.03)	0.076	0.01 (-0.1, 0.1)	0.787	0.052
SGRQ	<b>-6.9 (-11.7, -2.2)</b>	<b>0.004</b>	-1.3 (-3.6, 1.0)	0.263	<b>0.046</b>
CCQ	<b>-0.3 (-0.6, -0.02)</b>	<b>0.034</b>	-0.1 (-0.2, 0.02)	0.097	0.252
ECSC	<b>-1.0 (-1.6, -0.4)</b>	<b>0.001</b>	<b>-0.6 (-0.9, -0.3)</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>	0.204
FEV1 % Predicted	-2.9 (-8.9, 3.1)	0.339	-0.6 (-2.9, 1.6)	0.592	0.402
<b>Exacerbations<sup>b</sup></b>	IRR	P-value	IRR		P-value
Moderate or Severe	1.4 (0.7, 2.7)	0.311	0.8 (0.4, 1.5)	0.457	0.272
<b>Biomarkers<sup>c</sup></b>	Mean Difference	P-value	Mean Difference	P-value	P-value
11-dehydro-thromboxane B2	<b>-14.1% (-25.7%, -0.6%)</b>	<b>0.041</b>	-0.4% (-7.6%, 7.3%)	0.913	0.079

<sup>†</sup> Low EPA+DHA represents 5<sup>th</sup> percentile level of the person-average EPA+DHA.

<sup>‡</sup> High EPA+DHA represents 95<sup>th</sup> percentile level of the person-average EPA+DHA.

<sup>a</sup> Generalized estimating equation (GEE) regression with gaussian probability distribution and identity link and exchangeable correlation was run in regressing the repeated measures of the continuous respiratory outcome on the person-average total isoflavone intake, person-average EPA+DHA, and their interactions, adjusted by the baseline covariates. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted mean difference in the outcome level for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg) while holding constant the person-average EPA+DHA level at either low (5<sup>th</sup> percentile) or high (95<sup>th</sup> percentile) level, adjusted by the covariates. CAT ranges from 0-40, MMRC from 0-5, and SGRQ from 0-100, CCQ from 0-6, and ECSC from 0-25, with higher score indicating worse impact of COPD. The minimal clinically important difference (MCID) for CAT is 2, SGRQ 4, and CCQ 0.4.

<sup>b</sup> Cross-sectional negative binomial regression of the total frequency of exacerbation (for the entire study period) was run on the person-average total isoflavone intake, person-average EPA+DHA, and their interactions, with total follow-up days included as an offset, and adjusted by covariates—sequentially as specified below. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted incidence rate ratio (IRR) of the exacerbation for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg) while holding constant the person-average EPA+DHA level at either low (5<sup>th</sup> percentile) or high (95<sup>th</sup> percentile) level, adjusted by the covariates.

<sup>c</sup> Generalized estimating equation (GEE) regression with gaussian probability distribution and identity link and exchangeable correlation was run in regressing the repeated measures of the continuous log-transformed biomarkers on the person-average total isoflavone intake, dichotomous person-average EPA+DHA, and their interactions, adjusted by the baseline covariates. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted percentage difference in the geometric mean level of the biomarker for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg) while holding constant the person-average EPA+DHA level at either low (5<sup>th</sup> percentile) or high (95<sup>th</sup> percentile) level, adjusted by the covariates.

All analyses were adjusted by person-average total energy and baseline covariates: age, gender, race, educational attainment, household income, smoking pack-years, obesity, comorbidity, and FEV1 % predicted (except when FEV1 % predicted was the outcome).

**Table S2. Association between Person-Average Total Isoflavones and Repeated Measures of COPD Morbidity, Additionally Adjusted by Person-Average EPA+ DHA**

<b>Respiratory Symptoms<sup>a</sup></b>	Mean Difference	P-val.
CAT	<b>-2.0 (-3.5, -0.4)</b>	<b>0.012</b>
MMRC	-0.1 (-0.3, 0.1)	0.352
SGRQ	-3.2 (-6.4, 0.05)	0.053
CCQ	<b>-0.2 (-0.3, -0.03)</b>	<b>0.018</b>
ECSC	<b>-0.7 (-1.1, -0.4)</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
FEV1 % Predicted	-1.3 (-4.4, 1.7)	0.385
<b>Exacerbations<sup>b</sup></b>	IRR	P-val.
Moderate or Severe	1.0 (0.7, 1.4)	1.000
<b>Biomarkers<sup>c</sup></b>	Mean Difference	P-val.
11-dehydro-thromboxane B2	-6.3% (-14.4%, 2.5%)	0.158

<sup>a</sup> Generalized estimating equation (GEE) regression with gaussian probability distribution and identity link and exchangeable correlation was run in regressing the repeated measures of the continuous respiratory outcome on the person-average total isoflavone intake, adjusted by the baseline covariates and additionally adjusted by person-average EPA+DHA intake. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted mean difference in the outcome level for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg), adjusted by the covariates. CAT ranges from 0-40, MMRC from 0-5, and SGRQ from 0-100, CCQ from 0-6, and ECSC from 0-25, with higher score indicating worse impact of COPD. The minimal clinically important difference (MCID) for CAT is 2, SGRQ 4, and CCQ 0.4.

<sup>b</sup> Cross-sectional negative binomial regression of the total frequency of exacerbation (for the entire study period) was run on the person-average total isoflavone intake, with total follow-up days included as an offset, and adjusted by covariates—sequentially as specified below. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted incidence rate ratio (IRR) of the exacerbation for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg), adjusted by the covariates.

<sup>c</sup> Generalized estimating equation (GEE) regression with gaussian probability distribution and identity link and exchangeable correlation was run in regressing the repeated measures of the continuous log-transformed biomarkers on the person-average total isoflavone intake, adjusted by the baseline covariates. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted percentage difference in the geometric mean level of the biomarker for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg), adjusted by the covariates. All analyses were adjusted by person-average total energy and baseline covariates: age, gender, race, educational attainment, household income, smoking pack-years, obesity, comorbidity, and FEV1 % predicted (except when FEV1 % predicted was the outcome).

**Table S3. Association between Person-Average Total Isoflavones and Repeated Measures of COPD Morbidity, Additionally Adjusted by Aspirin/Plavix Use (Y/N)**

<b>Respiratory Symptoms</b> <sup>a</sup>	Mean Difference	P-val.
CAT	<b>-1.9 (-3.3, -0.5)</b>	<b>0.007</b>
MMRC	-0.1 (-0.3, 0.1)	0.330
SGRQ	-2.9 (-5.8, 0.1)	0.056
CCQ	<b>-0.1 (-0.3, -0.02)</b>	<b>0.020</b>
ECSC	<b>-0.7 (-1.0, -0.4)</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
FEV1 % Predicted	-1.0 (-4.1, 2.2)	0.555
<b>Exacerbations</b> <sup>b</sup>	IRR	P-val.
Moderate or Severe	1.0 (0.7, 1.4)	0.931
<b>Biomarkers</b> <sup>c</sup>	Mean Difference	P-val.
11-dehydro-thromboxane B2	-4.2% (-9.8%, 1.8%)	0.166

<sup>a</sup> Generalized estimating equation (GEE) regression with gaussian probability distribution and identity link and exchangeable correlation was run in regressing the repeated measures of the continuous respiratory outcome on the person-average total isoflavone intake, adjusted by the baseline covariates and additionally adjusted the aspirin or Plavix use (yes/no) at baseline. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted mean difference in the outcome level for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg), adjusted by the covariates. CAT ranges from 0-40, MMRC from 0-5, and SGRQ from 0-100, CCQ from 0-6, and ECSC from 0-25, with higher score indicating worse impact of COPD. The minimal clinically important difference (MCID) for CAT is 2, SGRQ 4, and CCQ 0.4.

<sup>b</sup> Cross-sectional negative binomial regression of the total frequency of exacerbation (for the entire study period) was run on the person-average total isoflavone intake, with total follow-up days included as an offset, and adjusted by covariates—sequentially as specified below. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted incidence rate ratio (IRR) of the exacerbation for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg), adjusted by the covariates.

<sup>c</sup> Generalized estimating equation (GEE) regression with gaussian probability distribution and identity link and exchangeable correlation was run in regressing the repeated measures of the continuous log-transformed biomarkers on the person-average total isoflavone intake, adjusted by the baseline covariates. The table shows the point estimate and the 95% confidence interval of the predicted percentage difference in the geometric mean level of the biomarker for one standard deviation difference in the person-average total isoflavone (SD=2.3mg), adjusted by the covariates. All analyses were adjusted by person-average total energy and baseline covariates: age, gender, race, educational attainment, household income, smoking pack-years, obesity, comorbidity, and FEV1 % predicted (except when FEV1 % predicted was the outcome).