

File S2: Graphical overview of associations between the VO₂peak and plasma metabolites

Partial correlations: Direction and strength of bivariate associations between the VO₂peak and each metabolites, expressed as partial Pearson correlation coefficients with 95% confidence intervals of Van der Waerden-transformed variables.

Contribution to PLS-model: Importance of contribution of each metabolite to the multi-variate association in the obtained PLS models with the VO₂peak, expressed as the negative logarithm of relative frequencies of permutation-obtained rank products below measured rank products.

- F* Females adjusted for age and menopausal status
 F** Females adjusted for age, menopausal status and the 21 phenotypical and clinical parameters
 M* Males adjusted for age
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Major Metabolic Pathways:

- Lipid metabolism Amino acid metabolism Xenobiotics and related metabolism
 Energy metabolism Carbohydrate metabolism Mammalian-microbial cometabolism
 Nucleotide metabolism Cofactors and vitamins metabolism Unknown

















