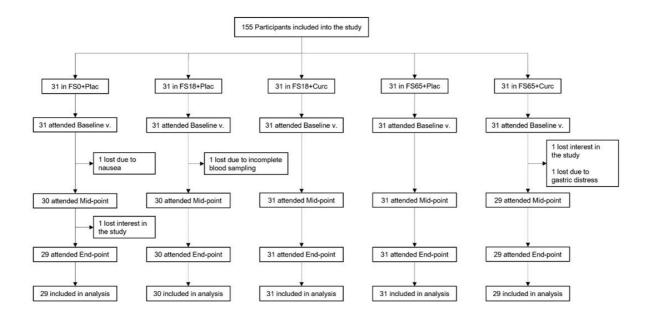
## Supplementary figures



**Figure S1**. Study compliance after 155 participants were enrolled and randomised equally into 5 treatment groups: FS0+Plac (full placebo, placebos for both iron and curcumin), FS18+Plac (18 mg elemental iron and placebo for curcumin), FS18+Curc (18 mg elemental iron and 500 mg curcumin), FS65+Plac (65 mg elemental iron and placebo for curcumin) and FS65+Curc (65 mg elemental iron and 500 mg curcumin).

 $\textbf{Table S1.} \ \text{Mean BDNF (ng/mL)} \ values \ per \ treatment \ group/timepoint \ (mean \pm SEM).$ 

Timepoint	FS0+Plac	FS18+Plac	FS18+Curc	FS65+Plac	FS65+Curc
Baseline	$35.18 \pm 2.10$	$37.16 \pm 1.88$	$30.28 \pm 1.54$	$31.59 \pm 1.35$	$30.85 \pm 1.99$
Mid-point	$31.50 \pm 1.27$	$32.00 \pm 1.48$	$31.42 \pm 1.02$	$32.64 \pm 1.08$	$32.00 \pm 1.29$
End-point	$36.62 \pm 2.17$	$36.04 \pm 1.66$	$39.17 \pm 4.96$	$33.28 \pm 1.81$	$39.16 \pm 4.96$