





Results from a community-engaged protocol for evaluating environmental toxicants in a U.S. border community: health impacts of perchlorate and pesticide exposure in Yuma County, AZ



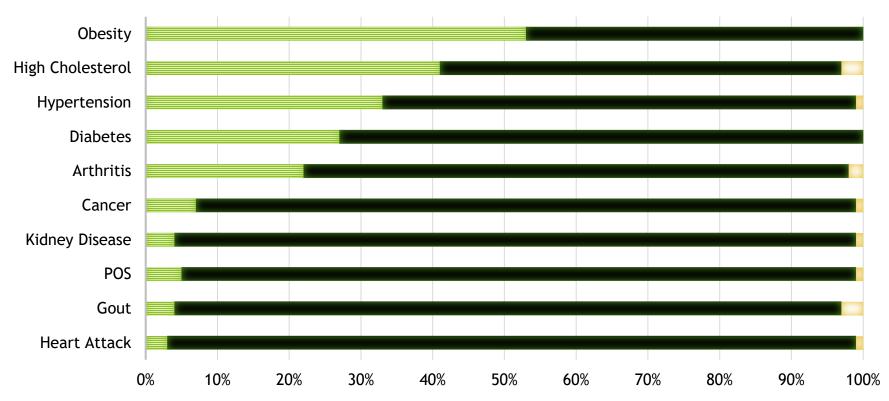
Demographics | General

Yuma Population Pyramid

<19 Participants = 323 Yuma 20-29 dnoj 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 residents **Age:** mean= 48.4, minimum= 19, maximum= 90 70-79 >80 **Gender:** female= 79%, male= 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 10% 20% 30% 21% ■ Women ■ Men Race Ethnicity White AI/AN Asian Black Pac. Islander Don't know Latinx White **89**% 78% Refuse

Health | Chronic conditions (self-report)

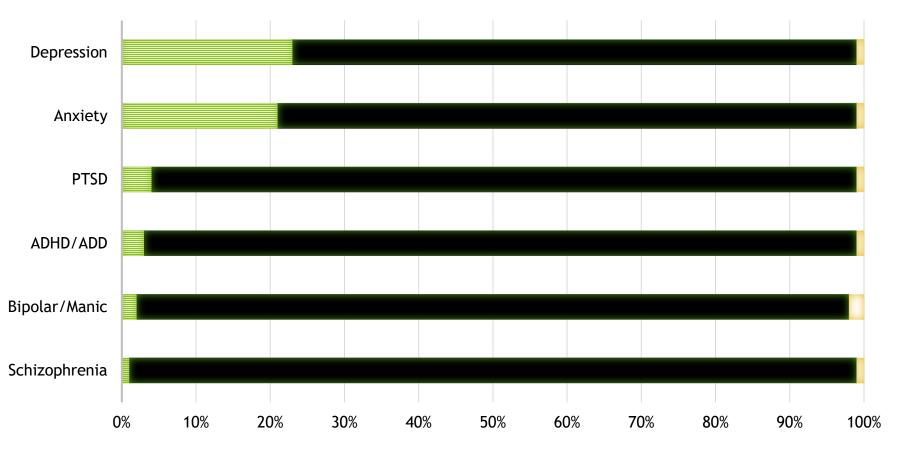




Note. Obesity is based on a BMI > 30, For Diabetes, "yes" = diabetes and prediabetes, conditions < 3% include ambiguous genitalia, undescended testicle, emphysema, stroke, coronary heart disease, chronic heart failure, angina

Health | Mental Health (self-report)

■Yes ■No ■Don't know



ENDOCRINOLOGY

Why are we concerned with the endocrine system?

- growing awareness of the possible adverse effects in humans and wildlife from exposure to chemicals that can interfere with the endocrine system.
- Effects can include:
 - developmental malformations
 - interference with reproduction
 - increased cancer risk
 - disturbances in immune and nervous system functions

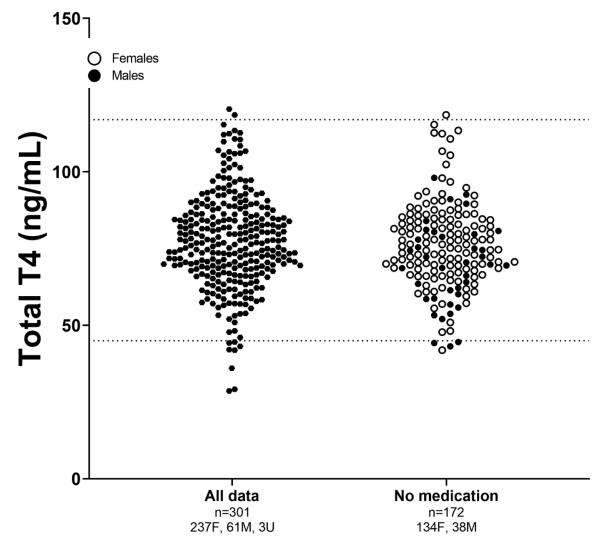
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We have focused on endocrine axes known to be disrupted by exposure to a broad spectrum of contaminants, including perchlorate and toxic metals.

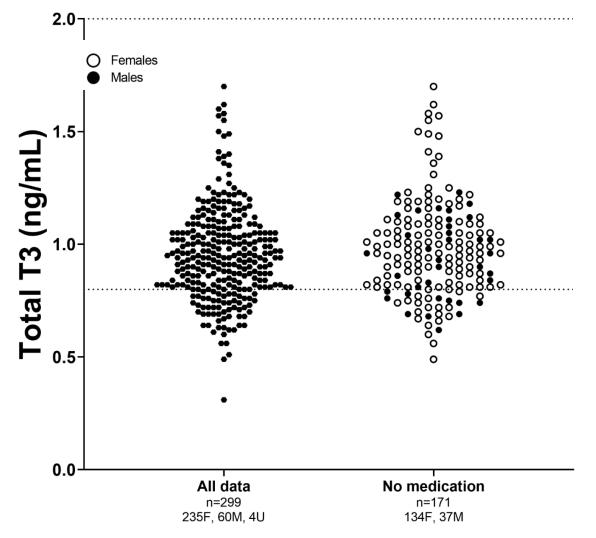
Endocrine axes of interest:

- Adrenal axis (e.g., cortisol, a stress hormone)
- Thyroidal axis (e.g., Thyroid Stimulating hormone (TSH) and bound and free triiodothyronine (T₃) and thyroxine (T₄), hormones involved in regulation of development and metabolism).

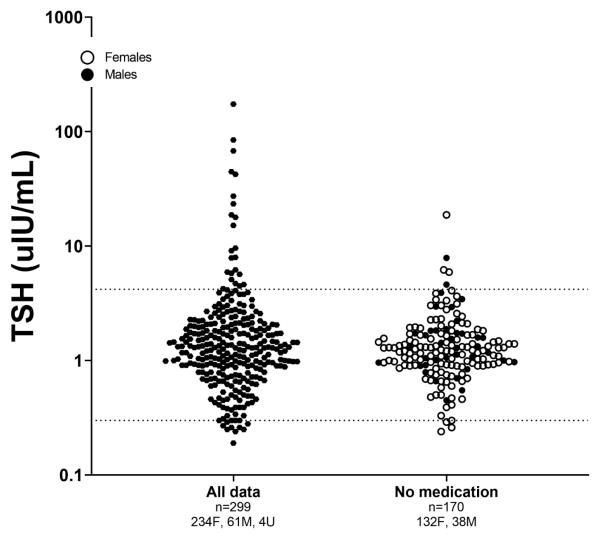
Total T4



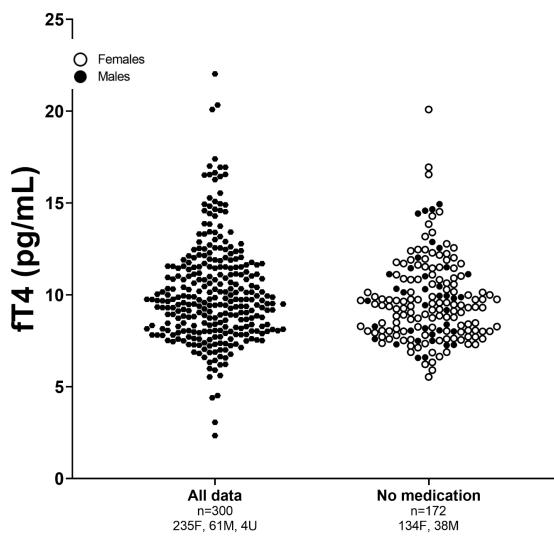
Total T3



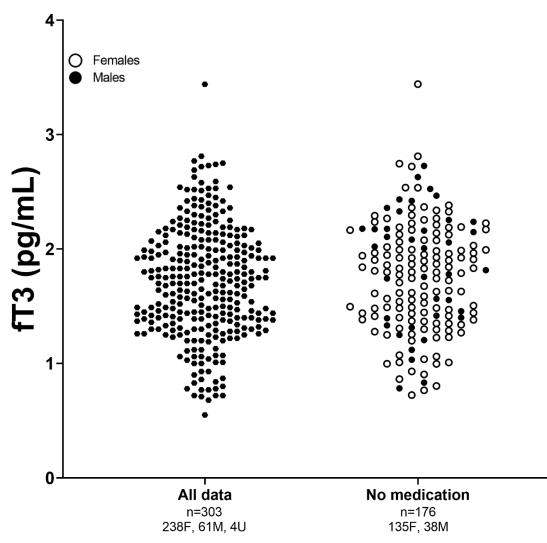
TSH



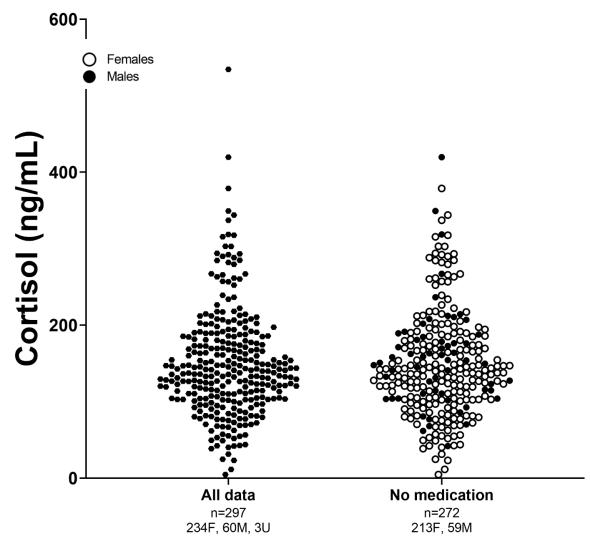
Free T4

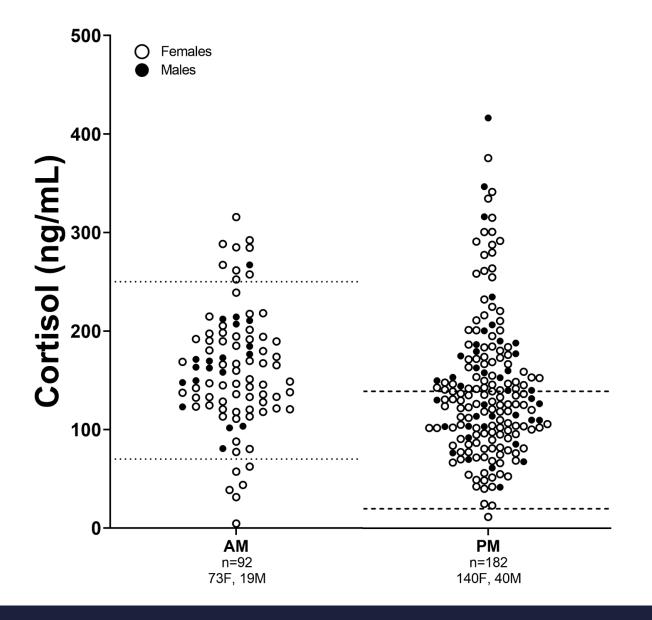


Free T3



Cortisol



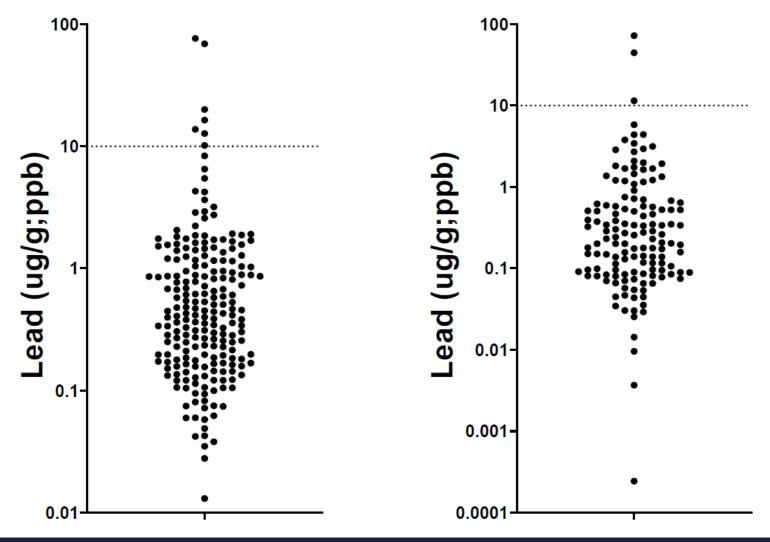


Environmental contaminants



Environmental Contaminants: Lead

Human

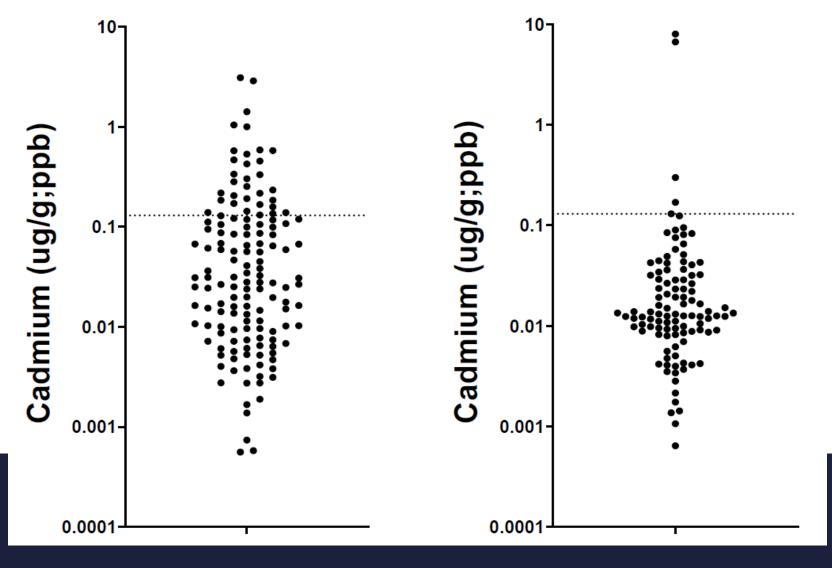


Environmental Contaminants: Mercury

Human Rodent 100-10 Mercury (ug/g;ppb) Mercury (ug/g;ppb) 10-1 female average 1. NHANES female average 0.1 0.1-0.01 0.01

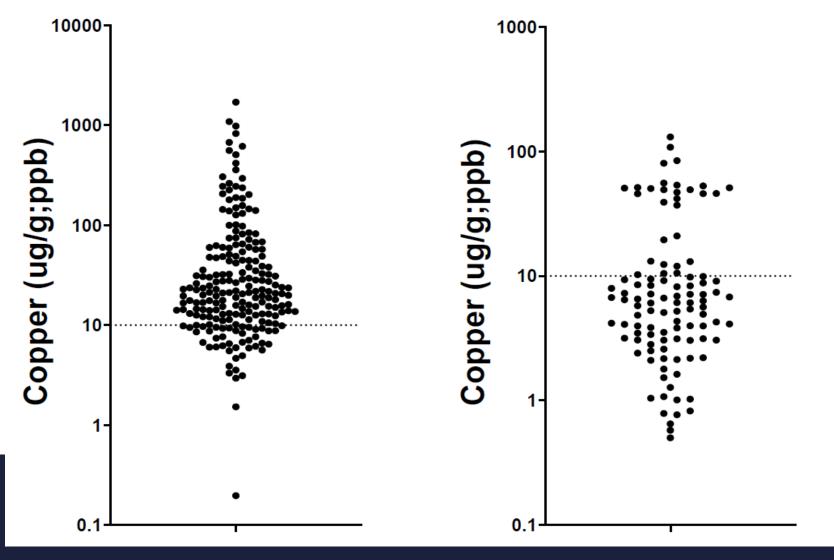
Environmental Contaminants: Cadmium

Human



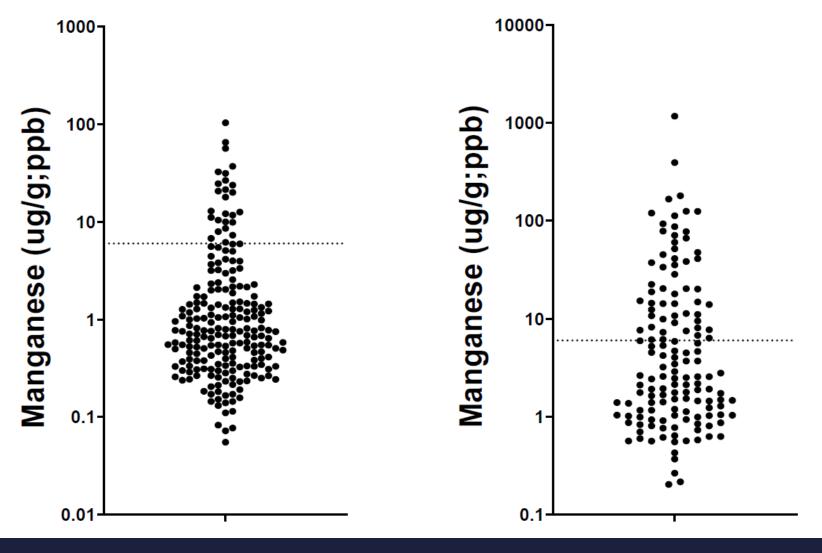
Environmental Contaminants: Copper

Human

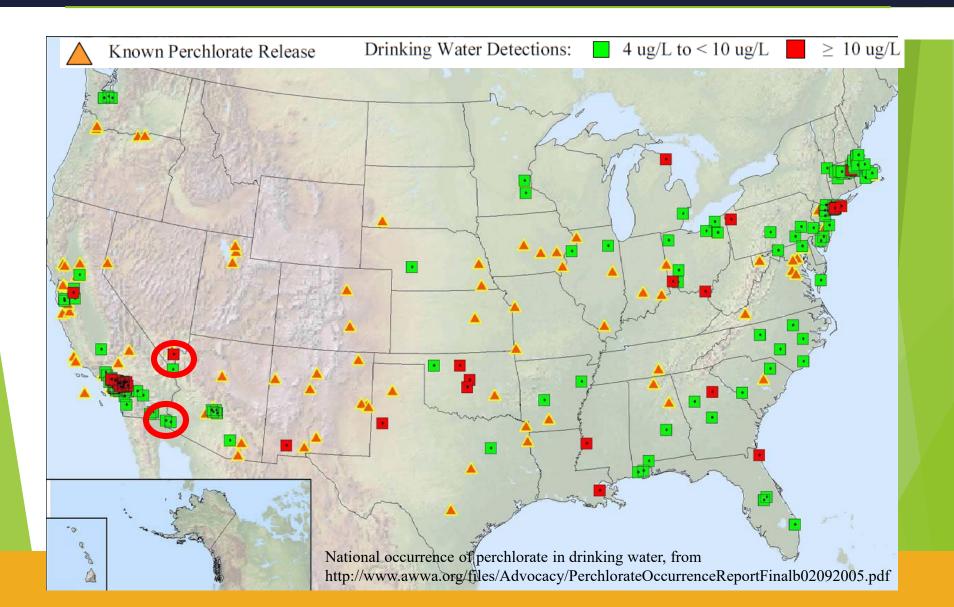


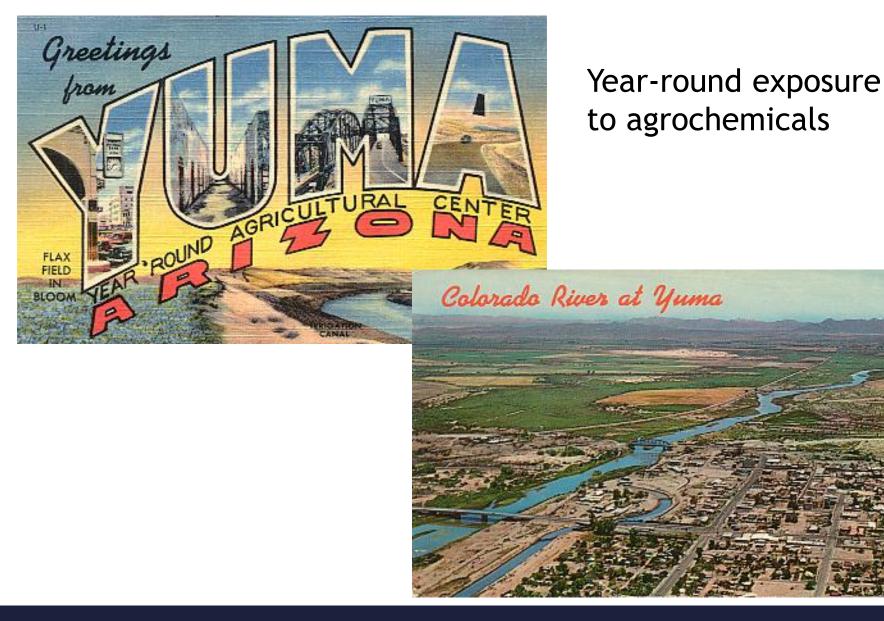
Environmental Contaminants: Manganese

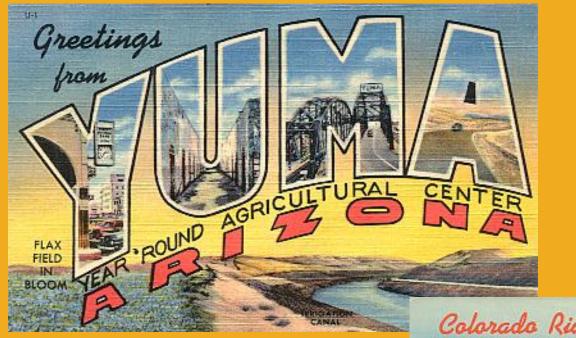
Human



Environmental Contaminants: Perchlorate









Colorado River at Yuma



