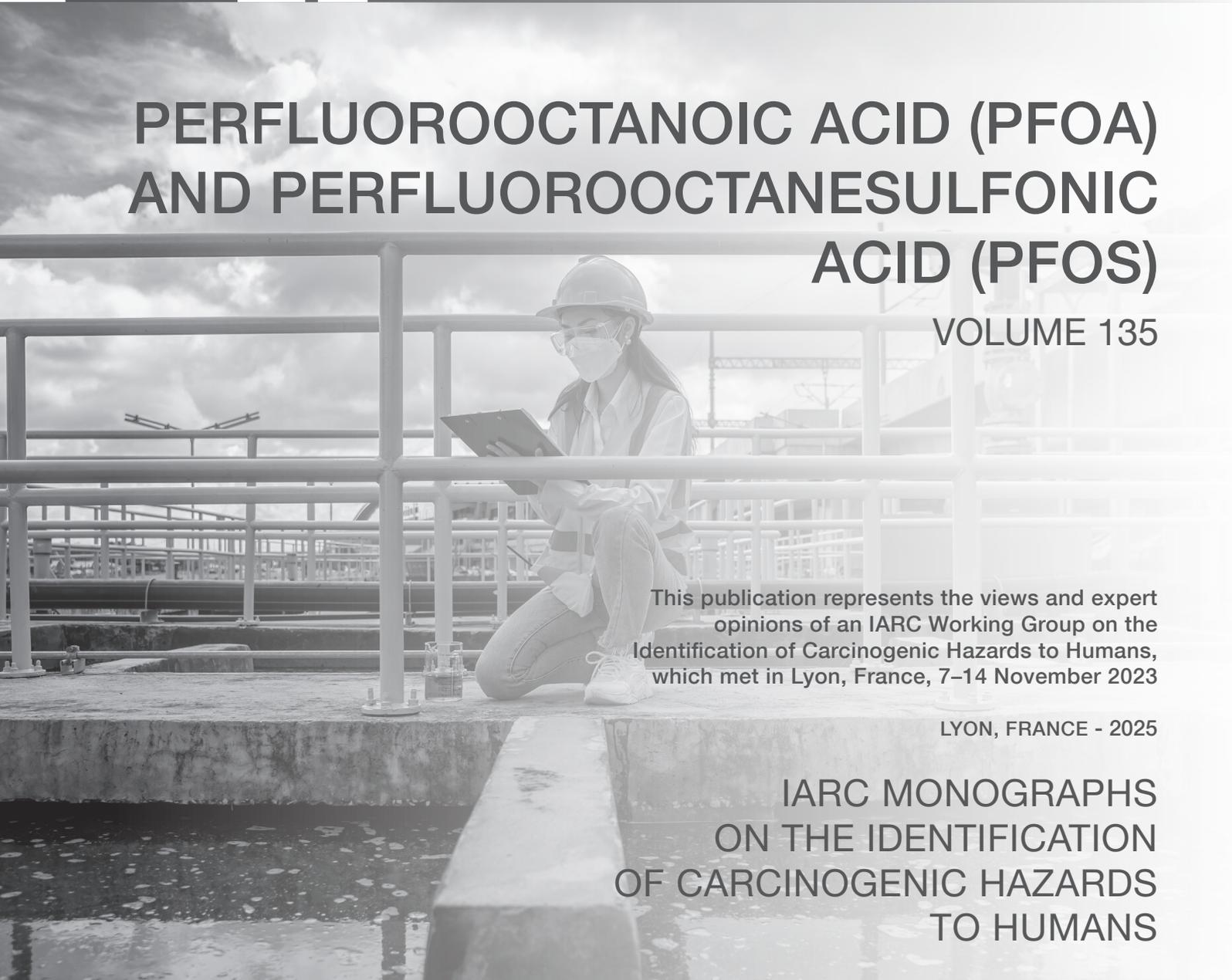


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<i>Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor α (PPARα) receptor – primary cells</i>							
PPARα-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 5–200 μM, 24 h	<i>ACOX</i> – no effect <i>ACOT</i> – no effect ↑ <i>CYP4A11</i>	LEC – 20	No antagonist used	Bjork and Wallace (2009)
			PFOS – form not stated 25 μM, 24 h	<i>ACOX</i> – no effect <i>ACOT</i> – no effect <i>CYP4A11</i> – no effect			
PPARα-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 25 μM, 24 h	↑ <i>ACOX1</i> <i>EHHADH</i> – no effect ↑ <i>CYP4A11</i>	N/A	Single concentration No antagonist used	Bjork et al. (2011)
			PFOS – form not stated 25 μM, 24 h	<i>ACOX1</i> – no effect <i>EHHADH</i> – no effect <i>CYP4A11</i> – no effect	N/A		
PPARα-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 5–100 μM, 48 h	↑ <i>PDK4</i> ↑ <i>FABP1</i> <i>MBL2</i> – no effect ↑ <i>CYP4A11</i> ↑ <i>CPT1A</i> ↑ <i>ANGPTL4</i> ↑ <i>HMGCS2</i> <i>ACOX1</i> – no effect	Not reported	No antagonist used No <i>P</i> -values reported	Rosen et al. (2013)

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				↑ <i>SLC25A34</i> ↑ <i>PLIN2</i> ↑ <i>PLIN2</i>			
			PFOS – form not stated 5–250 μM, 48 h	<i>PDK4</i> – no effect ↑ <i>FABP1</i> ↑ <i>MBL2</i> <i>CYP4A11</i> – no effect <i>CPT1A</i> – no effect ↑ <i>ANGPTL4</i> <i>HMGCS2</i> – no effect <i>ACOX1</i> – no effect ↓ <i>SLC25A34</i> ↑ <i>PLIN2</i>	Not reported		
PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – Free acid 0.25, 2.5, 25 μM, 48 h	<i>CYP4A11</i> -no effect ↑ <i>CD36</i> <i>SREBF1</i> – no effect <i>LPL</i> – no effect	LEC – 25	No antagonist used	Marques et al. (2022)
			PFOS – K salt 0.25, 2.5, 25 μM, 48 h	<i>CYP4A11</i> – no effect ↑ <i>CD36</i> <i>SREBF1</i> – no effect <i>LPL</i> – no effect	LEC – 25		

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PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray and RT-qPCR) and Ingenuity Pathway Analysis	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 μM, 24 h	Microarray Predicted upstream regulator: PPAR α ↑ pathway expression <i>RT-qPCR</i> ↑ <i>PLIN2</i>	LEC – 1		Buhrke et al. (2015)
PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RNA-Seq) and Ingenuity Pathway Analysis	Spheroids composed of primary human hepatocytes and Kupffer cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.02–100 μM, 1, 4, 10 or 14 days PFOS – form not stated 0.02–100 μM, 1, 4, 10 or 14 days	↑ Fatty acid β oxidation pathway ↑ Fatty acid β oxidation pathway	Benchmark conc: Day 1 – ~40 Day 4 – ~55 Day 10 – ~30 Day 14 – ~5 Benchmark conc: Day 1 – ~10 Day 4 – ~10 Day 10 – ~10 Day 14 – ~10	20 μM – highest concentration that did not induce cytotoxicity at any timepoint 20 μM – highest concentration that did not induce cytotoxicity at any timepoint	Rowan-Carroll et al. (2021)
<i>Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor α (PPARα) receptor– cell lines</i>							
PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray and RT-qPCR)	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOS – Free acid 6.25–400 μM, 24 h	↑ <i>PDK4</i> ↑ <i>CPT1A</i> ↑ <i>ANGPTL4</i> ↑ <i>PLIN2</i>	Not reported	No antagonist	Louisse et al. (2023)

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PPAR α -mediated gene transcription and lipid accumulation	mRNA expression (microarray and RT-qPCR) and gene set enrichment analysis, MADMAX) Gas chromatography	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – Free acid Microarray – 100 μM, 24 h	Microarray (most strongly induced gene sets) Fatty acid β oxidation PPARA Targets	BMC ₅₀ – 11–19	No antagonist	Louisse et al. (2020)
			RT-qPCR – 6.25–400 μM, 24 h	RT-qPCR \uparrow <i>ANGPTL4</i> (= 200μM) \uparrow <i>PDK4</i> (> 100μM) \uparrow <i>PLIN2</i> (< 50μM) <i>CPT1A</i> – no effect			
			Lipid accumulation 25–200 μM, 24 h	Lipid accumulation – no effect			
			PFOS – Free acid Microarray – 100 μM, 24 h	Microarray – no effect on Fatty acid β oxidation or PPARA targets gene sets	BMC ₅₀ – 28–72		
			RT-qPCR – 6.25–400 μM, 24 h	RT-qPCR <i>ANGPTL4</i> – no effect \uparrow <i>PDK4</i> (= 100μM) \uparrow <i>PLIN2</i> (> 50μM) <i>CPT1A</i> – no effect			
			Lipid accumulation	\uparrow Lipid accumulation			

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PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray and RT-qPCR) and WikiPathway analysis	HepaRG human liver cells	25–100 µM, 24 h	PFOA – form not stated ↑ <i>APOA2</i> ↑ <i>CYP4A11</i> ↑ <i>CPT1A</i> ↑ <i>FABP1</i> ↑ <i>ACADM</i> ↑ <i>HMGCS2</i> (but decrease at 250 µM)	LEC – 10		Murase et al. (2023)
			10, 100 µM, 24 h				
PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 1–250 µM, 24 h	↑ <i>CPT1A</i> ↑ <i>CYP2B6</i> ↑ <i>PLIN2</i>	LEC – 25	Similar to positive control GW7647	Behr et al. (2020b)
PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepG2/C3a human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 0–200 µM, 24 h	<i>ACOX1</i> – no effect <i>ACOT1</i> – no effect <i>CYP4A11</i> – no effect		Single concentration of PFOS	Bjork and Wallace (2009)
			PFOS – form not stated 25 µM, 24 h	<i>ACOX1</i> – no effect <i>ACOT1</i> – no effect <i>CYP4A11</i> – no effect			
PPAR α binding	Competitive binding assay	Human PPAR α ligand-binding domain	PFOA – form not stated 1.14–2500 µM	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 371		Ishibashi et al. (2019)
			PFOS – form not stated	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 237		

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PPAR α binding	Competitive binding assay	Human PPAR α ligand-binding domain (800 nM)	1.14–2500 μ M PFOS – form not stated 0–100 μ M	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 248		Li et al. (2018b)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PPAR α and PPRE-driven reporter	African green monkey Cos-1 fibroblasts	PFOA – form not stated 0.5–40 μ M, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 1		Maloney and Waxman (1999)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PPAR α and PPRE-driven reporter	African green monkey Cos-7 fibroblasts	PFOA – Free acid 0.01–100 μ M, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₅₀ – 10		Nielsen et al. (2022)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PPAR α and PPRE-driven reporter	MDA-MB-231 human breast cancer cells	PFOS – Free acid 0.04–40 μ M, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₅₀ – 24		Sakai et al. (2022)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PPAR α and PPRE-driven reporter	African green monkey Cos-1 fibroblasts	PFOA – Free acid 1–100 μ M, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₅₀ – 100		Sakai et al. (2022)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PPAR α and PPRE-driven reporter	African green monkey Cos-1 fibroblasts	PFOS – form not stated 8–250 μ M, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 16 EC ₅₀ – 15		Shiple et al. (2004)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of human PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Mouse 3T3-L1 fibroblasts	PFOA – NH ₄ salt 1–200 μ M, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 50		Vanden Heuvel et al. (2006)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding	African green monkey Cos-1 fibroblasts	PFOA – NH ₄ salt 0.5–40 μ M, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 30		Takacs and Abbott (2007)

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	domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain						
			PFOS – K salt 1–250 µM, 24 h	No change	N/A		
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	African green monkey Cos-1 fibroblasts	PFOA – NH ₄ salt 0.5–100 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 10 EC ₂₀ – 16		Wolf et al. (2008a)
			PFOS – K salt 1–250 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 30		
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	African green monkey Cos-1 fibroblasts	PFOA – NH ₄ salt 0.5–100 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 1 EC ₂₀ – 7		Wolf et al. (2012)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human promyelocytic cell line THP-1	PFOA – Free acid 1, 10 µM, 3 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 10	Short exposure time	Corsini et al. (2012)
			PFOS – Free acid 1, 10 µM, 3 h	No change	N/A		
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human kidney cell line HEK293	PFOA – form not stated 1–200 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₂₀ – 0.9		Buhrke et al. (2013)
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assays – Cis (endogenous receptor and PPRE-driven reporter)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.14–300 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	Cis EC ₅₀ – 31 Trans EC ₅₀ – 23	Potentially toxic concentrations included	Houck et al. (2021)

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PPAR α reporter activation	Trans (chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain)	INDIGO Reporter Cells	PFOS – form not stated 0.14–300 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	Cis EC ₅₀ – 180 Trans EC ₅₀ – no effect		Evans et al. (2022)
	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain		PFOA – NH ₄ salt 1–200 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₂₀ – 81		
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with a plasmid containing the upstream-activating sequence (UAS)	3T3-L1 mouse fibroblasts	PFOS – K salt 1–200 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₂₀ – 275		Rosenmai et al. (2016)
			PFOA – Free acid 0.3–100 µM, 22 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 100		
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – Free acid 10, 30, 100 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 30		Rosenmai et al. (2018)
			PFOS – Free acid 10, 30, 100 µM, 24 h	No effect	N/A		
PPAR α reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human kidney cell line HEK293T	PFOA – form not stated 25, 50, 100 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 50		Behr et al. (2020b)
			PFOS – form not stated	↑ transactivation	LEC – 100		

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			25, 50, 100 μM, 24 h				
<i>CAR and PXR receptors – primary cells</i>							
CAR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 25 μM, 24 h	<i>CYP2B6</i> – no effect <i>CYP2C19</i> – no effect	N/A	Single concentration	Bjork et al. (2011)
			PFOS – form not stated 25 μM, 24 h	↑ <i>CYP2B6</i> ↑ <i>CYP2C19</i>	N/A		
CAR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – Free acid 0.25, 2.5, 25 μM, 48 h	↑ <i>CYP2B6</i>	LEC – 25	No antagonist used	Marques et al. (2022)
			PFOS – K salt 0.25, 2.5, 25 μM, 48 h	↑ <i>CYP2B6</i>	LEC – 25		
CAR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray) and Ingenuity Pathway Analysis	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 μM, 24 h	Microarray Predicted upstream regulator: <i>CAR</i> ↑ pathway expression	LEC – 25	No antagonist used	Buhrke et al. (2015)
PXR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 5–100 μM, 48 h	↑ <i>CYP3A4</i>	LEC – 100	No antagonist used No <i>P</i> -values reported	Rosen et al. (2013)

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			PFOS – form not stated 5–250 µM, 48 h	↑ <i>CYP3A4</i>	LEC – 100		
PXR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 25 µM, 24 h	<i>CYP3A4</i> – no effect <i>ABCB1</i> – no effect	N/A	Single concentration	Bjork et al. (2011)
			PFOS – form not stated 25 µM, 24 h	↑ <i>CYP3A4</i> <i>ABCB1</i> – no effect	N/A		
<i>CAR and PXR receptors – cell lines</i>							
CAR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – form not stated 30, 100 µM, 48 h	↑ <i>CYP2B6</i>	LEC – 30		Abe et al. (2017)
CAR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray and RT-qPCR) and WikiPathway analysis	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA- form not stated 10, 100 µM, 24 h	↑ <i>CYP2B6</i>	LEC – 10		Murase et al. (2023)
CAR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.0001–1 µM, 24, 48 h	↓ <i>CYP2C19</i>	LEC – 0.0001		Franco et al. (2020)
			PFOS – form not stated 0.0001–1 µM, 24, 48 h	↓ <i>CYP2C19</i>	LEC – 0.0001		

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CAR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 1–250 µM, 24 h	↑ <i>CYP2B6</i>	LEC – 250		Behr et al. (2020b)
PXR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – form not stated 10–500 µM, 24, 48 h PFOS – form not stated 1–100 µM, 24, 48 h	↑ <i>CYP3A4</i> ↑ <i>CYP3A4</i>	LEC, 24 h – 50 LEC, 48 h – 50 LEC, 24 h – 25 LEC, 48 h – 1		Behr et al. (2020a)
PXR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray and RT-qPCR) and WikiPathway analysis	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – form not stated 10, 100 µM, 24 h	↑ <i>CYP3A4</i>	LEC – 100		Murase et al. (2023)
PXR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.0001–1 µM, 24, 48 h PFOS – form not stated 0.0001–1 µM, 24, 48 h	↓ <i>CYP3A4</i> (only at 48 h) ↓ <i>CYP3A4</i>	LEC – 0.0001 LEC (24h) – 1 LEC (48h) – 0.0001		Franco et al. (2020)
PXR Reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PXR and CYP3A4 promoter-driven reporter	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – Free acid 0.1–30 µM, 24 h PFOS – K salt	↑ transactivation ↑ transactivation	EC ₅₀ – 9 EC ₅₀ – 8		Zhang et al. (2017b)

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PXR Reporter activation	Reporter assays – Cis (endogenous receptor and PXRE-driven reporter)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	0.1–30 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation (PXRE only)	Trans EC ₅₀ – 35	Potentially toxic concentrations included	Houck et al. (2021)
			0.14–300 µM, 24 h				
PXR reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PXR and CYP3A4 promoter-driven reporter	African green monkey Cos-7 fibroblasts	PFOS – form not stated	↑ transactivation	Cis EC ₅₀ – 9		Murase et al. (2023)
			0.14–300 µM, 24 h				
PXR reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPARα ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human kidney cell line HEK293T	0.3–100 µM, 24 h	No effect	N/A		Behr et al. (2020b)
			25, 50, 100 µM, 24 h				
			PFOS – form not stated	No effect	N/A		
			25, 50, 100 µM, 24 h				
<i>Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor γ (PPARγ) receptor – primary cells</i>							
PPARγ expression	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Human umbilical vein endothelial cells	PFOS – form not stated 50, 100 µM 24, 48 h	↑ <i>PPARG</i>	LEC – 100		Liao et al. (2012)

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PPAR γ -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – Free acid 0.25, 2.5, 25 µM, 48 h	<i>FABP4</i> – no effect ↑ <i>CD36</i> <i>FASN</i> – no effect ↑ <i>SCD</i> <i>GPAM</i> – no effect ↑ <i>PPARG</i>	LEC – 25	No antagonist used	Marques et al. (2022)
			PFOS – K salt 0.25, 2.5, 25 µM, 48 h	<i>FABP4</i> – no effect ↑ <i>CD36</i> <i>FASN</i> – no effect <i>SCD</i> – no effect <i>GPAM</i> – no effect ↑ <i>PPARG</i>	LEC – 25		
PPAR γ -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray) and Ingenuity Pathway Analysis	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 µM, 24 h	Microarray Predicted upstream regulator: PPAR γ ↑ pathway expression	LEC – 1		Buhrke et al. (2015)
PPAR γ -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (nanosensors)	Primary human mesenchymal stromal cells	PFOS – Free acid 0.1, 10 µM 7–21 days	↑ <i>PPARG</i> ↑ <i>FABP4</i>	LEC – 0.1		Gao et al. (2020)
PPAR γ -mediated gene transcription and differentiation	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR) and adipocyte differentiation (Oil Red O)	Primary human mesenchymal stromal cells	PFOA – Free acid 0.1–10 µM,	↑ <i>PPARG</i> ↑ <i>FABP4</i>	LEC – 1		Qin et al. (2022c)

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			RT-qPCR 7–14 days	↑ Lipid accumulation			
			Differentiation 14 days				
			PFOS – K salt	↑ <i>PPARG</i>	LEC – 1		
			0.1–10µM,	↑ <i>FABP4</i>			
			RT-qPCR 7–14 days	↑ Lipid accumulation			
			Differentiation 14 days				
PPAR γ -mediated gene transcription and differentiation	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR) and adipocyte differentiation (Oil Red O)	Primary human subcutaneous preadipocytes	PFOA – form not stated 0, 6, 12, 25 µM 10 days	↑ <i>PPARG</i> ↑ <i>FABP4</i> ↑ <i>PLIN1</i> ↑ Lipid accumulation	LEC – 6		Li et al. (2019b)
PPAR γ -mediated differentiation	Oil Red O staining	Primary human visceral preadipocytes	PFOS – K salt 5, 50 µM 11 days	↑ Lipid accumulation	LEC – 5		Xu et al. (2016)
PPAR γ -mediated differentiation	Nile Red staining	Primary human bone marrow mesenchymal stromal cells	PFOA – Free acid 0.0001–10 µM 21 days	↑ Lipid accumulation	LEC – 0.1		Bérubé et al. (2023)
			PFOS – Free acid 0.0001–10 µM	↑ Lipid accumulation	LEC – 1		

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21 days							
<i>Peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor γ (PPARγ) receptor – cell lines</i>							
PPARγ-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – Free acid 6.25–400 µM, 24 h	↑ <i>FABP4</i>	LEC – 100		Attema et al. (2022)
PPARγ binding	Competitive binding assay	Human PPARα ligand-binding domain (800 nM)	PFOS – form not stated 0–500 µM	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 190		Li et al. (2018b)
PPARγ binding	Competitive binding assay	Human PPARα ligand-binding domain (800 nM)	PFOA – form not stated 0–1000 µM	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 370		Li et al. (2019b)
PPARγ binding	Competitive binding assay	Human PPARα ligand-binding domain (800 nM)	PFOA – form not stated 1–300 µM	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 44		Zhang et al. (2014b)
PPARγ reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human PPARγ and PPRE-driven reporter	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOS – form not stated 0.1–300 µM	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 14		Zhang et al. (2014b)
			PFOA – form not stated 1–200 µM	↑ Transactivation	LEC – 10		
			PFOS – form not stated 1–200 µM	↑ Transactivation	LEC – 10		

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PPAR γ reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR γ ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human kidney cell line HEK293T	PFOA – form not stated	No effect	N/A		Behr et al. (2020b)
			25, 50, 100 µM, 24 h				
PPAR γ reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR γ ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human kidney cell line HEK293	PFOA – form not stated	No effect	N/A		Li et al. (2019b)
			25, 50, 100 µM, 24 h				
PPAR γ reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR γ ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human kidney cell line HEK293	PFOA – form not stated	↑ Transactivation	LEC – 25	No <i>P</i> -values reported	Buhrke et al. (2013)
			3–50 µM, 24 h				
PPAR γ reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR γ ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human kidney cell line HEK293	PFOA – form not stated	↑ Transactivation	EC ₂₀ – 20	No <i>P</i> -values reported	Garoche et al. (2021)
			1–200 µM, 24 h				
PPAR γ reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR γ ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	Human epithelial cell line HeLa	PFOA – Free acid	↑ Transactivation	EC ₂₀ – 17	No <i>P</i> -values reported	Houck et al. (2021)
			1–100 µM, 24 h				
PPAR γ reporter activation	Reporter assays – Cis (endogenous receptor and PPRE-driven reporter) Trans (chimera of human PPAR γ ligand-binding	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated	↑ transactivation	Cis EC ₅₀ – 31 Trans EC ₅₀ – 50	Potentially toxic concentrations included	Houck et al. (2021)
			0.14–300 µM, 24 h				
			PFOS – form not stated	↑ transactivation	Cis EC ₅₀ – 180		

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – µM)	Comments	Reference
	domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain)		0.14–300 µM, 24 h		Trans EC ₅₀ – 27		
PPAR γ reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of PPAR α ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	INDIGO Reporter Cells	PFOA – NH ₄ salt 10–3000 µM, 24 h PFOS – K salt 10–300 µM, 24 h	↑ transactivation ↑ transactivation	EC ₂₀ – 224 EC ₂₀ – 288		Evans et al. (2022)
<i>HNF4α receptor – primary cells and cell lines</i>							
HNF4 α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray)	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 µM, 24 h	↓ <i>HNF1A</i>	LEC – 25	No follow-up with RT-qPCR	Buhrke et al. (2015)
HNF4 α -mediated gene transcription	Proteome analysis (MALDI-TOF) with ingenuity pathway analysis (IPA)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 25 µM, 48 h	IPA – deregulation of HNF4 α pathway	N/A	Single concentration	Scharmach et al. (2012)
	Immunoblot of HNF4 α and HNF1 α			↓ HNF4 α ↓ HNF1 α	N/A		
HNF4 α reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous HNF4 α and HNF1A promoter-driven reporter	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.01–50 µM, 24 h	↓ transactivation	LEC – 1		Scharmach et al. (2012)
	Reporter assay – full length HNF4 α and HNF1A promoter-driven reporter	Human kidney cell line HEK293		↓ transactivation	LEC – 1		

Thyroid hormone receptor – cell lines

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – μ M)	Comments	Reference
Thyroid peroxidase activity	Enzymatic activity assay	FTC-238 human follicular carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.001–100 μ M, 48 h	↓ TPO activity only at 1 μ M	N/A		Song et al. (2012)
			PFOS – form not stated 0.001–100 μ M, 48 h	↓ TPO activity	LEC – 0.001		
Transthyretin binding analysis	TTR-TR β CALUX (assesses effect on T4 binding to transthyretin)	U2OS human osteocarcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.1–100 μ M (in cell-free TTR incubation)	↓ in T4 binding to TTR	IC ₅₀ – 2	Assuming human TTR	Sprengel et al. (2021)
Transthyretin binding analysis	TTR-TR β CALUX (assesses effect on T4 binding to transthyretin)	U2OS human osteocarcinoma cells	PFOA – Free acid 0.003M-109 μ M (in cell-free TTR incubation)	↓ in T4 binding to TTR	IC ₅₀ – 1.3		Behnisch et al. (2021)
			PFOS – Free acid 0.058 μ M (in cell-free TTR incubation)	↓ in T4 binding to TTR	IC ₅₀ – 0.6		
TR β reporter activation	Reporter assay – chimera of TR β ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain	African green monkey CV-1 fibroblasts	PFOS – form not stated 0.003–0.3 μ M, 24 h	No effect alone but ↓ T3-dependent activation	LEC – 0.1	Assuming human TR-LBD	Du et al. (2013)
Androgen receptors – cell lines							
AR-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	LNCaP human prostate	PFOA – form not stated	AR- No effect	N/A		Behr et al. (2018)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – µM)	Comments	Reference
		adenocarcinoma cells	1–100 µM, 24 h	PSA- No effect			
			PFOS – form not stated	AR- No effect PSA- No effect	N/A		
			1–100 µM, 24 h				
Testosterone secretion	Radioimmune assay for testosterone in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – Free acid 1.6–50 µM, 48 h	No effect	N/A	Variability in data not reported	Rosenmai et al. (2013)
Testosterone secretion	Radioimmune assay for testosterone in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 100 µM, 48 h	No effect	N/A	Single concentration	Wang et al. (2015d)
Testosterone secretion	Enzyme immunoassay for testosterone in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOS – K salt 30–200 µM, 48 h	↑ at 200 µM only	N/A		van den Dungen et al. (2015)
Testosterone secretion	Radioimmune assay for testosterone in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 µM, 48 h	No effect	N/A		Behr et al. (2018)
			PFOS – form not stated 1–100 µM, 48 h	No effect	N/A		
Testosterone secretion	Radioimmune assay for testosterone in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.006–600 µM, 48 h	↑ T secretion	LEC – 0.6		Kraugerud et al. (2011)
			PFOS – form not stated	↑ T secretion	LEC – 600		

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – µM)	Comments	Reference
Testosterone secretion	Radioimmune assay for testosterone in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	0.006–600 µM, 48 h PFOS – form not stated	↓ T secretion	LEC – 0.1		Du et al. (2013)
AR reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous AR regulating an MMTV-driven reporter	MDA-kb2 human breast cancer cells	0.003–0.3 µM, 48 h PFOS – form not stated	No effect	N/A		Du et al. (2013)
AR reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous AR regulating an MMTV-driven reporter	22Rv1/MMTV prostate carcinoma cells	0.003–0.3 µM, 48 h PFOA – Free acid 0.00 001–10 µM, 24 h	No effect	N/A		Kang et al. (2016)
AR reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous AR regulating an MMTV-driven reporter	MDA-kb2 human breast cancer cells	PFOS – Free acid 0.00 001–10 µM, 24 h PFOA – form not stated 1–100 µM, 24 h	No effect in absence or presence of T	N/A		Behr et al. (2018)
AR reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length AR regulating an MMTV-driven reporter	CHO Chinese hamster ovary cells	PFOS – form not stated 1–100 µM, 24 h PFOA – Free acid 0.2–50 µM, 24 h	No effect alone but ↑ T-dependent activation No effect in absence or presence of T	LEC – 50 N/A		Rosenmai et al. (2013)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – µM)	Comments	Reference
AR reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length AR regulating an MMTV-driven reporter	CHO Chinese hamster ovary cells	PFOA – Free acid 0.001–100 µM, 24 h	No effect alone but ↓ T-dependent activation	IC ₅₀ – 10		Kjeldsen and Bonfeld-Jørgensen (2013)
			PFOS – Free acid 0.001–100 µM, 24 h	No effect alone but ↓ T-dependent activation	IC ₅₀ – 5		
AR reporter activation	Reporter assays – Cis (full length human AR and ARE-driven reporter)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.14–300 µM, 24 h	No effect	N/A	Potentially toxic concentrations included	Houck et al. (2021)
	Trans (chimera of AR ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain)		PFOS – form not stated 0.14–300 µM, 24 h	No effect	N/A	AR expression is very low in TRANS assay	
<i>Estrogen receptors – primary cells</i>							
ERα-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (microarray) and Ingenuity Pathway Analysis	Primary human hepatocytes	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 µM, 24 h	Microarray Predicted upstream regulator: ERα ↓ pathway expression	LEC – 25		Buhrke et al. (2015)
ERα expression	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Human umbilical vein endothelial cells	PFOS – form not stated 50, 100 µM 24, 48 h	↑ <i>ESR1</i>	LEC – 100		Liao et al. (2012)
Estradiol secretion and aromatase expression	Chemiluminescent assay for E2 in medium	Primary human placental trophoblasts	PFOS – form not stated 0.0001–1 µM, 24 h	↓ E2 secretion ↓ Aromatase expression	LEC – 0.001		Zhang et al. (2015b)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – μM)	Comments	Reference
	Immunoblot for CYP19 expression						
<i>Estrogen receptors – cell lines</i>							
ER α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 100 μM, 48 h	TFF – No effect alone but ↓ E2-dependent expression EGR3 – No effect alone but ↓ E2-dependent expression	N/A	Single concentration	Li et al. (2020e)
			PFOS – form not stated 50 μM, 48 h	↑ TFF ↓ TFF E2-dependent expression EGR3 – No effect alone but ↓ E2-dependent expression	N/A	Single concentration	
ER α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 μM, 24 h	ESR1- No effect TFF1- No effect PR- No effect GREB1- No effect ER β – No effect	N/A		Behr et al. (2018)
			PFOS – form not stated	ESR1- No effect	N/A	ER β effect was measured by	

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – µM)	Comments	Reference
			1–100 µM, 24 h	TFF1- No effect PR- No effect GREB1- No effect ERβ – No effect		luciferase activity	
ERα-mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	T47D human breast carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.001, 24 h	pS2 – No effect alone but ↑ E2-dependent expression PR – No effect in absence or presence of E2			Sonthithai et al. (2016)
			PFOS – form not stated 0.001, 24 h	pS2 – No effect alone but ↑ E2-dependent expression PR – No effect in absence or presence of E2			
Estradiol secretion and aromatase activity	Radioimmune assay for 17β-estradiol in media Aromatization of [1β- ³ H] androstenedione	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.006–600 µM, 48 h	E2 secretion – No effect ↑ Aromatase activity	LEC – 600		
			PFOS – form not stated 0.006–600 µM, 48 h	↑ E2 secretion Aromatase activity – no effect	LEC – 600	Data for aromatase activity not shown and information on variability not provided	Kraugerud et al. (2011)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – µM)	Comments	Reference
Estradiol secretion	Radioimmune assay for 17β-estradiol in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 100 µM, 48 h	E2 secretion – No effect	N/A	Single concentration	Wang et al. (2015d)
Estradiol secretion	Radioimmune assay for 17β-estradiol in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – Free acid 1.6–50 µM, 48 h	↓ E2 secretion – 1.6 µM ↑ E2 secretion – 50 µM	LEC – 1.6/50	Variability in data not reported	Rosenmai et al. (2013)
Estradiol secretion	Radioimmune assay for 17β-estradiol in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 1–100 µM, 48 h	No effect	N/A		Behr et al. (2018)
			PFOS – form not stated 1–100 µM, 48 h	No effect	N/A		
Aromatase activity	Aromatization of [1β- ³ H] androstenedione	JEG-3 human placental carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.01–100 µM, 24 h	↓ Aromatase activity	IC ₅₀ – 80		Gorrochategui et al. (2014)
			PFOS – form not stated 0.01–100 µM, 24 h			PFOS effects only at cytotoxic concentrations	
Estradiol secretion	Enzyme immunoassay for 17β-estradiol in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOS – K salt 30–200 µM, 48 h	↑ E2 secretion	LEC – 200		van den Dungen et al. (2015)
Estradiol secretion	Radioimmune assay for 17β-estradiol in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOS – form not stated	↑ E2 secretion	LEC – 0.03		Du et al. (2013)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – μM)	Comments	Reference
ERα binding	Competitive binding assay	Human ERα ligand binding domain	0.003–0.3 μM, 48 h	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 21		Qiu et al. (2020)
			2.5–200 μM	Positive	IC ₅₀ – 17		
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	T47D human breast carcinoma cells	10–1000 μM, 24 h	No effect	N/A		Evans et al. (2022)
			10–1000 μM, 24 h	No effect	N/A		
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	T47D human breast carcinoma cells	0.000001–100 μM, 24 h	No effect alone ↑ E2-mediated transactivation	LEC – 0.001		Sonthithai et al. (2016)
			0.000001–100 μM, 24 h	No effect alone ↑ E2-mediated transactivation	LEC – 0.0001		
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells	0.00001–10 μM, 48 h	↓ E2-mediated transactivation	LEC – 10		Kang et al. (2016)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – μM)	Comments	Reference
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells (formerly known as BG1 cells)	PFOS – Free acid 0.00001–10 μM, 48 h	↓ E2-mediated transactivation	LEC – 10		Yao et al. (2014)
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.001–96 μM, 24 h	No effect	N/A		Kjeldsen and Bonfeld-Jørgensen (2013)
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells	PFOA – Free acid 0.001–100 μM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₅₀ – 65		
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells	PFOS – Free acid 0.001–100 μM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₅₀ – 29		
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – endogenous ERα regulating an ERE-driven reporter	MCF7 human breast carcinoma cells	PFOS – form not stated 0.1–100 μM, 48 h	↑ transactivation	EC ₂₀ – 12		Li et al. (2020e)
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length human ERα and PPRE-driven reporter	Human kidney cell line HEK293T	PFOA – Free acid 0.001–1 μM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 0.1		Benninghoff et al. (2011)
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assays – Cis (full length human ERα and ERE-driven reporter)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – K salt 0.001–1 μM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	LEC – 0.001		
ERα reporter activation	Reporter assays – Cis (full length human ERα and ERE-driven reporter)	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.14–300 μM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	Cis AC ₅₀ – 10 Trans AC ₅₀ – 8	Potentially toxic concentrations included	Houck et al. (2021)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – μM)	Comments	Reference
ER reporter activation	Trans (chimera of PPARα ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain)	Human kidney cell line HEK293T	PFOS – form not stated 0.14–300 μM, 24 h	↑ transactivation	Cis AC ₅₀ – 18 Trans AC ₅₀ – 39		Behr et al. (2018)
	Reporter assay – chimera of ERα ligand-binding domain or ERβ ligand-binding domain with Gal4 DNA binding domain		PFOA – form not stated 1–100 μM, 24 h	ERα – No effect without or with E2 ERβ – No effect alone but increased E2-dependent activation	LEC – 100		
			PFOS – form not stated 1–100 μM, 24 h	ERα – No effect alone but increased E2-dependent activation ERβ – No effect alone but increased E2-dependent activation	ERα LEC – 50 ERβ LEC – 50		
<i>Glucocorticoid receptors – primary cells and cell lines</i>							
Cortisol production	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Human primary placenta decidual stromal cells	PFOS – form not stated 0.0001–1 μM, 24 h	↓ <i>HSD11B1</i>	LEC (mRNA) – 0.1		Yang et al. (2016)
Cortisol degradation	Protein expression (immunoblot) 11β-HSD2 enzyme activity	Human kidney microsomes	PFOA – Free acid	↓ 11β-HSD1 ↓ 11β-HSD2 activity	LEC (protein) – 0.001 IC ₅₀ – 24	No cell-based analyses	Zhao et al. (2011b)

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			0.01–250 µM in cell free preparation				
			PFOS – Free acid	↓ 11β-HSD2 activity	IC ₅₀ – 0.048		
			0.01–250 µM in cell free preparation				
Cortisol degradation	11β-HSD2 enzyme activity	Microsomes prepared from BeWo human trophoblast placental cells	PFOA – Free acid	↓ 11β-HSD2 activity	IC ₅₀ – 26	No cell-based analyses	Zhao et al. (2023)
			0.01–1000 µM in cell free preparation				
			PFOS – Free acid	↓ 11β-HSD2 activity	IC ₅₀ – 0.1		
			0.01–1000 µM in cell free preparation				
Cortisol secretion	Radioimmune assay for testosterone in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated	No effect	N/A		Kraugerud et al. (2011)
			0.006–600 µM, 48 h				
			PFOS – form not stated	No effect	N/A		
			0.006–600 µM, 48 h				
Cortisol secretion	Radioimmune assay for cortisol in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated	No effect	N/A	Variability in data not reported	Rosenmai et al. (2013)
			1.6–50 µM, 48 h				
Cortisol secretion	Radioimmune assay for cortisol in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOA – form not stated	No effect	N/A	Single concentration	Wang et al. (2015d)
			100 µM, 48 h				

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Cortisol secretion	Enzyme immunoassay for corticosteroids in media	H295R human adrenal carcinoma cells	PFOS – K salt 30–200 µM, 48 h	↑ cortisol	N/A		van den Dungen et al. (2015)
GR reporter activation	Reporter assay – full length GR and MMTV promoter-driven reporter	T47D human breast carcinoma cells	PFOS – form not stated 0.01–0.3 mg/ml, 24 h	No effect alone ↑ Cortisol-mediated transactivation	LEC 0.01 mg/ml	Decreases seen only at cytotoxic concentrations.	Wilson et al. (2016)
<i>Various receptors – cell lines (not informative)</i>							
PPAR α -mediated gene transcription	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	MDA-MB-231 human breast cancer cells	PFOA – Free acid 50, 100 µM, 48 h	↑ <i>FA2H</i>	LEC – 100	No positive control	Sakai et al. (2022)
PPAR α -mediated cytokine secretion	Cytokine secretion	Human promyelocytic cell line THP-1	PFOA – Free acid 240 µM, 3 h PFOS – Free acid 200 µM, 3 h	↓ MMP9, TNF α , IL-8 secretion (the effect of which was reduced following PPAR α knockdown) PPAR α -independent effects on cytokine secretion		Single concentration of PFAS; siRNA knockdown of PPAR α	Corsini et al. (2011)
ER β expression	Immunoblot for ER β	HepG2 human liver cancer cells	PFOS – K salt 10, 100 µM, 24 h	↑ ER β expression	↑ only at 10 µM	Quantification inconsistent with blot shown	Xu et al. (2017)
Aryl hydrocarbon dependent-gene and protein expression	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	HepaRG human liver cells	PFOA – form not stated 0.0001–1 µM, 24–48 h	24 h ↑ <i>CYP1A2</i>	24 h LEC – 0.001 48 h LEC – 0.01		Franco et al. (2020)

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	Enzymatic activity			48 h ↓ <i>CYP1A2</i> Enzymatic activity – no effect			
			PFOS – form not stated 0.0001–1 µM, 24–48 h	24 h ↑ <i>CYP1A2</i> (≤ 0.01 µM) ↓ <i>CYP1A2</i> (≥ 0.01 µM) 48 h ↓ <i>CYP1A2</i> ↓ Enzymatic activity	24 h LEC – 0.0001 48 h LEC – 0.1 LEC enzymatic activity – 0.01 (only at 48h)		
Vitamin D receptor binding, receptor-dependent gene expression and activity	VDR binding	Surface plasmon resonance of human VDR	PFOA – Free acid 0.5–4 µM	↓ 1,25(OH)D binding to VDR	10% decrease of 1,25(OH)D binding at 4 µM		Di Nisio et al. (2020)
	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	Epithelial colorectal adenocarcinoma Caco-2 cells	PFOA – Free acid 1 µM, 24 h	↓ Vit D-induced expression of <i>TRPV6</i> , <i>CABP9K</i> , <i>CYP24A1</i>	N/A	Single concentration	
	Mineral deposition	Human osteosarcoma Saos-2 cells	PFOA 1 µM, 24 h	↓ Calcium deposition	N/A	Single concentration	
Glucocorticoid receptor pathway	mRNA expression (RT-qPCR)	THP-1 human monocyte cells	PFOS – Free acid	↓ <i>RACK1</i>	LEC – 0.2		Masi et al. (2022)

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End-points	Assay	Tissue, cell line	PFAS concentrations and Timing	Results ^a	Effective concentration (LEC, EC ₂₀ or EC ₅₀ – µM)	Comments	Reference
	Protein expression (immunoblot)		0.2–20 µM, at 6 h, 16 h	↓ RACK1			
	Reporter Assay – endogenous GR regulating <i>RACK1</i> -promoter			↓ transactivation, but only at 6 h			

AC₅₀, half-maximal activity concentration; AR, androgen receptor; BMC₅₀, bench mark response of 50%; CAR, constitutive androstane receptor; CYP, cytochrome P450; EC₂₀, 20% effective concentration; E2, estradiol; EC₅₀, half-maximal effective concentration; EGR3, early growth response 3; ER, estrogen receptor; ERE, estrogen responsive element; h, hour(s); IC₅₀, half-maximal inhibitory concentration; IPA, Ingenuity pathway analysis; LEC, lowest effective concentration; MADMAX, management and analysis database for multiple omics experiments; MMP, matrix metalloproteinase; NH₄ salt, ammonium salt; MALDI-TOF, matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization-time of flight mass spectrometer; MMTV, mouse mammary tumour virus; N/A, not applicable; PFAS, per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances; PFOA, perfluorooctanoic acid; PFOS, perfluorooctanesulfonic acid; PPAR, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor; PPRE, PPAR response element; PR, progesterone receptor; PXR, pregnane X receptor; qRT-PCR, quantitative reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction; SD, standard deviation; TFF, trefoil factor; TNF, tumour necrosis factor; TPOAb, thyroid peroxidase antibody; TTR, transthyretin; TR-LBD, TRβ ligand-binding domain; VDR, vitamin D receptor.

^a ↓, decrease; ↑, increase.