

Supplementary Materials

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in powdered infant formula: potential exposures and health risks

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Supplementary Table 1. Powdered infant formulas included in the study

Brand	Product	Protein Source	Properties/Dietary Need
Bobbie	Organic Infant Formula	Dairy	Standard
Earth's Best	Organic Dairy Infant Formula	Dairy	Standard
Earth's Best	Non-GMO Soy Infant Formula	Soy	Dairy/Lactose intolerance and Galactosemia
Enfamil	Gentlease*	Dairy	Lactose sensitivity
Enfamil	A.R.*	Dairy	Added rice to prevent spit-up
Enfamil	EnfaCare NeuroPro*	Dairy	Premature infants
Enfamil	Nutramigen*	Dairy	Hypoallergenic; amino acid (hydrolyzed milk protein)
Gerber	Good Start GentlePro Non-GMO*	Dairy	Protein sensitivity
Gerber	Good Start Soy Non-GMO*	Soy	Dairy/Lactose intolerance
HappyBaby	Organic Infant Formula	Dairy	Standard
Nutricia	Neocate	Amino Acid	Hypoallergenic; amino acid (made from individual amino acids rather than hydrolyzed casein from milk)
Similac	Advance*	Dairy	Standard
Similac	Sensitive Baby*	Dairy	Lactose sensitivity
Similac	Soy Isomil*	Soy	Lactose intolerance/galactosemia
Similac	Neosure Premature Post-Discharge*	Dairy	Premature infants
Up and Up	Soy Powder Infant Formula	Soy	Dairy/Lactose intolerance and Galactosemia
Up and Up	Gentle Infant Formula	Dairy	Lactose sensitivity

*Selected from WIC Program purchasing statistics. GMO, Genetically-Modified Organism; WIC, Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

Supplementary Table 2. References consulted for PFOS placental transfer factors

Reference for Placental Transfer Factor	Mean	Median	Upper Percentile
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	Count	27	29	14
	Min	0.12	0.20	0.39
	Max	0.60	0.80	1.25
	Mean	<u>0.39</u>	0.38	0.74
	Median	0.38	0.38	0.72
	95th percentile	0.55	0.58	1.20