

## Author's response to reviews

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This final version of the text is formatted according to publication requirements. "PAH" now refers to a single PAH while "PAHs" represents the plural form as requested. Other abbreviations have been edited as indicated. The references have been reformatted in BioMed Central format. Figure legends and Tables follow the references. We have also included new versions of Figures 2 and 3 in greater resolution (>300dpi). Figure 3 has been cropped as requested.