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Table S1. Association between maternal obesity and maternal inflammatory and iron status. Differences and 95% confidence intervals.

| Indicator                             | BMI category  | Adjusted difference | 95% CI        |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Ferritin (ug/l)                       | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                                       | Obese         | 0.03                | (-0.15, 0.20) |
| Ferritin <15ug/l*                     | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                                       | Obese         | 1.13                | (0.58, 2.19)  |
| Soluble transferrin receptor (nmol/l) | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                                       | Obese         | 3.43                | (2.50, 4.35)  |
| sTfR:log <sub>10</sub> sF             | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                                       | Obese         | 0.17                | (0.08, 0.26)  |
| Hepcidin (ng/ml)                      | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                                       | Obese         | 0.04                | (-1.79, 1.88) |
| CRP>5mg/l*                            | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
| -                                     | Obese         | 0.20                | (0.12, 0.33)  |
| IL-6>1pg/ml*                          | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                                       | Obese         | 0.02                | (0.00, 0.07)  |

Multiple linear regression, adjusted for ethnicity, parity, educational level and smoking. \*Multiple logistic regression adjusted for ethnicity, parity, educational level and smoking. sF, ferritin; sTfR, soluble transferrin receptor; CRP, creactive protein; IL-6, interleukin 6.

Table S2. Association between maternal obesity and neonatal iron status. Differences and 95% confidence intervals.

| Indicator         | BMI category  | Adjusted difference | 95% CI        |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Ferritin (ug/l)   | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                   | Obese         | -0.12               | (-0.26, 0.01) |
| Ferritin <76ug/l* | Normal weight | Reference           |               |
|                   | Obese         | 0.73                | (0.39, 1.37)  |

Multiple linear or logistic regression, adjusted for ethnicity, parity, smoking, gestational age at delivery, and caesarean delivery. \*Multiple logistic regression, adjusted for ethnicity, parity, smoking, gestational age at delivery, and caesarean delivery.