

Fig. 1 Chemical structures of PCB182 and PCB188



Retention time (min)



Fig. 2 GC-MS analysis of the methylated derivative of CB188 metabolites produced by liver microsomes of PB-treated rats

(A) Mass chromatograms (B) Mass spectra of PCB188 and M1

Compound	Molecular	Mass spectral data (Relative abundance, %)						Retention time (min)
*	weight	[M ⁺]	[M ⁺ -15]	[M ⁺ -35]	[M ⁺ -43]	[M ⁺ -50]	[M ⁺ -70]	in GC-MS
PCB188	392	100	-	4	-	-	78	13.51
M1	422	100	54	-	35	33	-	15.35
M2	422	100	-	-	-	-	-	15.45

Table 1Mass spectral data and retention times of the methylated derivatives of twoPCB188 metabolites

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Fig. 3 Postulated metabolic pathways of PCB188 in rat liver