Professor Andreas Pfeiffer, Director Endocrinology at Charité, Berlin and Head of the Department of Clinical Nutrition at the German Institute of Human Nutrition (DIfE) investigates the role of nutrient-dependent factors in the pathogenesis of major diseases of industrialized countries (e.g. obesity, diabetes mellitus, and the metabolic syndrome).

The team of Professor Pfeiffer was interested in determining the effects of dietary interventions on the lipidome of human blood plasma. With its ShotgunLipidomics technology, Lipotype delivered its one-of-a-kind, detailed, quantitative information on lipid structure and composition, revealing dietary effects on the global lipid composition of human plasma and how hereditary factors influence the lipid metabolism. This fruitful collaboration between Professor Pfeiffer and Lipotype demonstrates the power of lipid analysis in nutritional research.

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