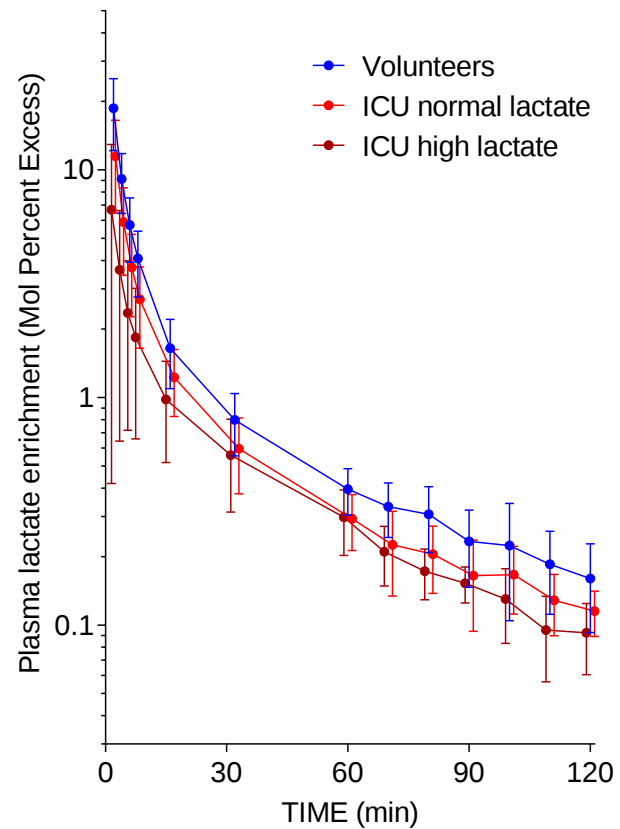
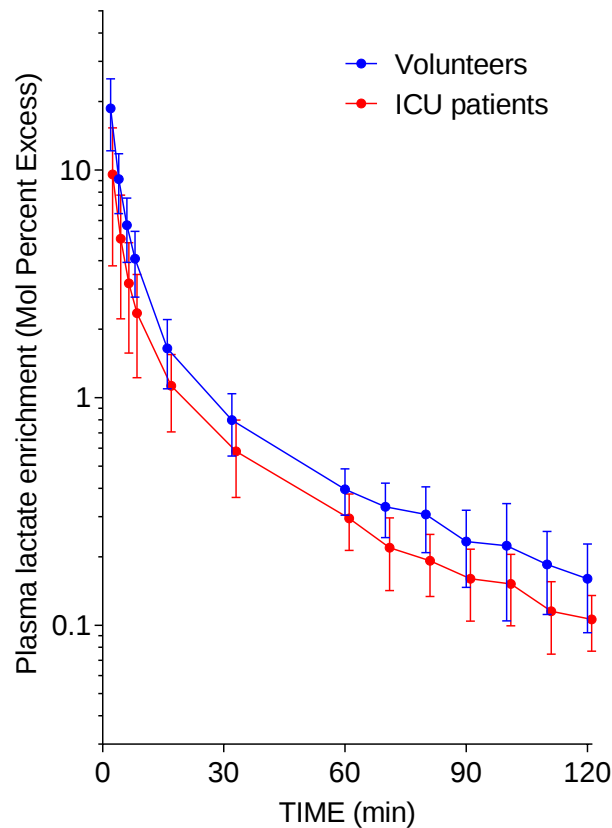


Additional file 2



Alternative presentations of plasma lactate enrichment versus time after a bolus injection of ^{13}C -lactate in 6 volunteers and 10 ICU patients.

In the left panel data are presented as mean $\pm$ standard deviation for volunteers (blue) and ICU patients (red), respectively. In the right panel the ICU-patients are divided into two groups with high ($n=4$, dark red) or normal ($n=6$, red) plasma lactate.