

Antibiotics, the microbiome, and chronic disease

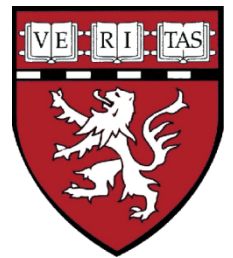
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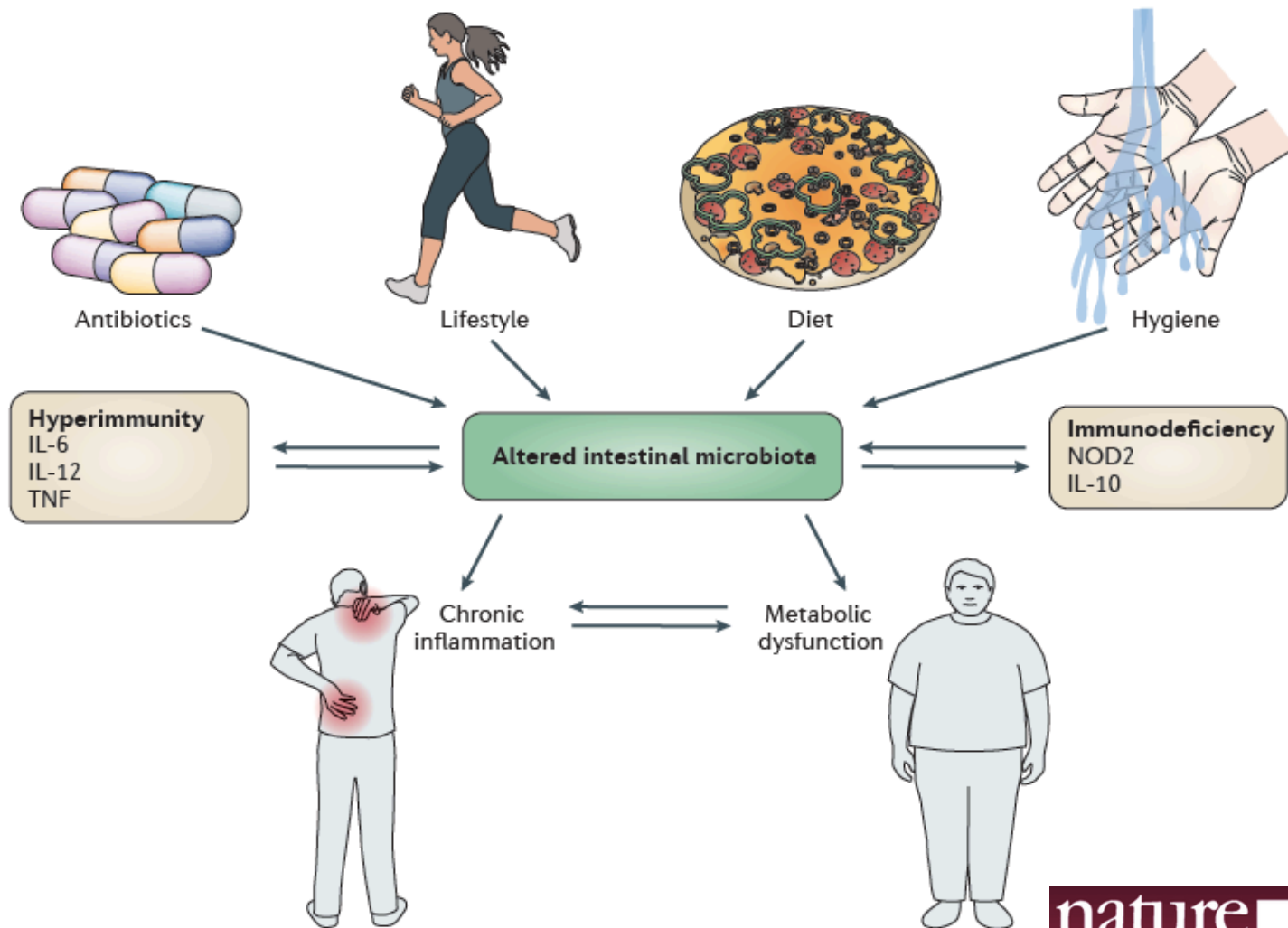
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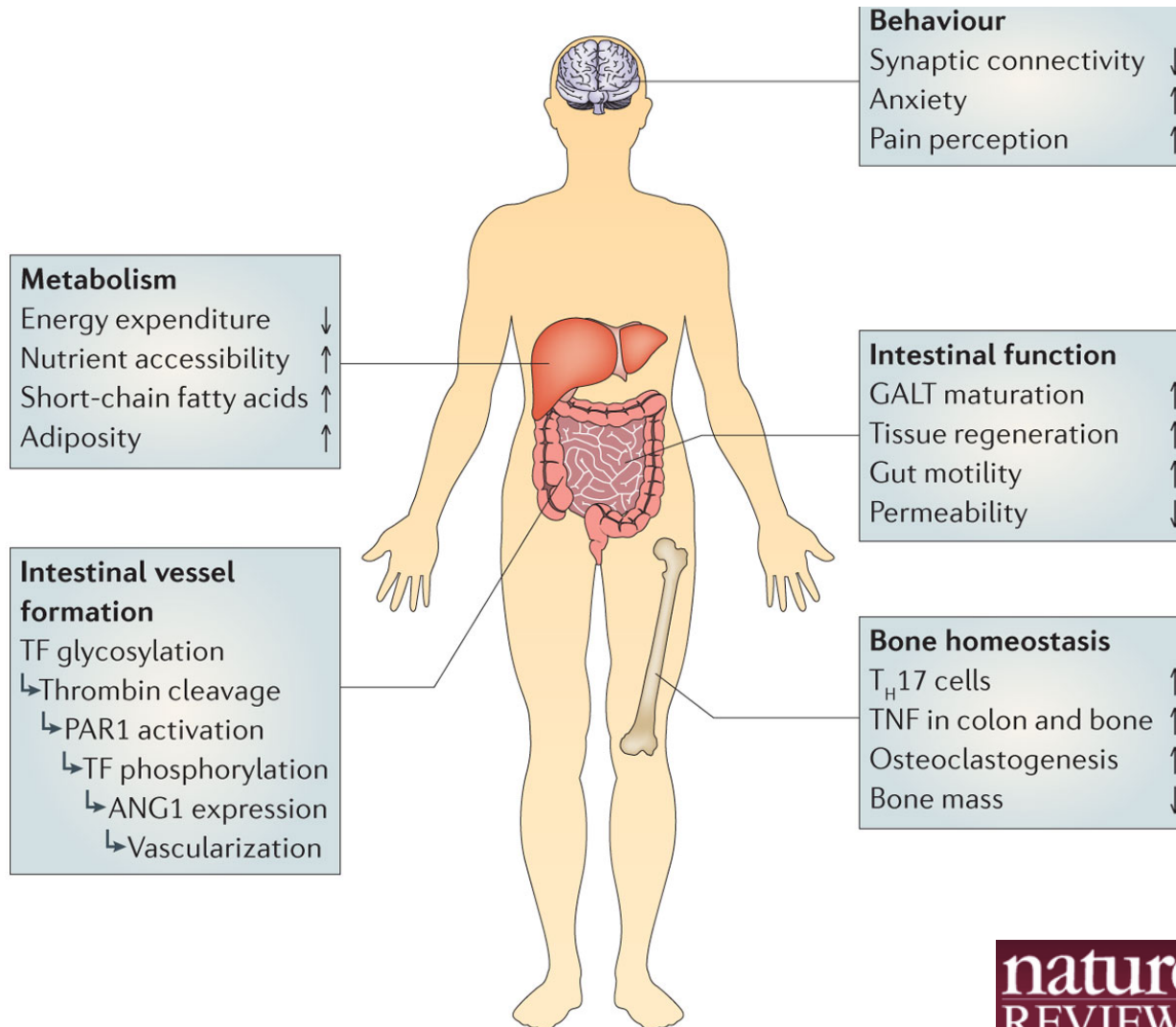
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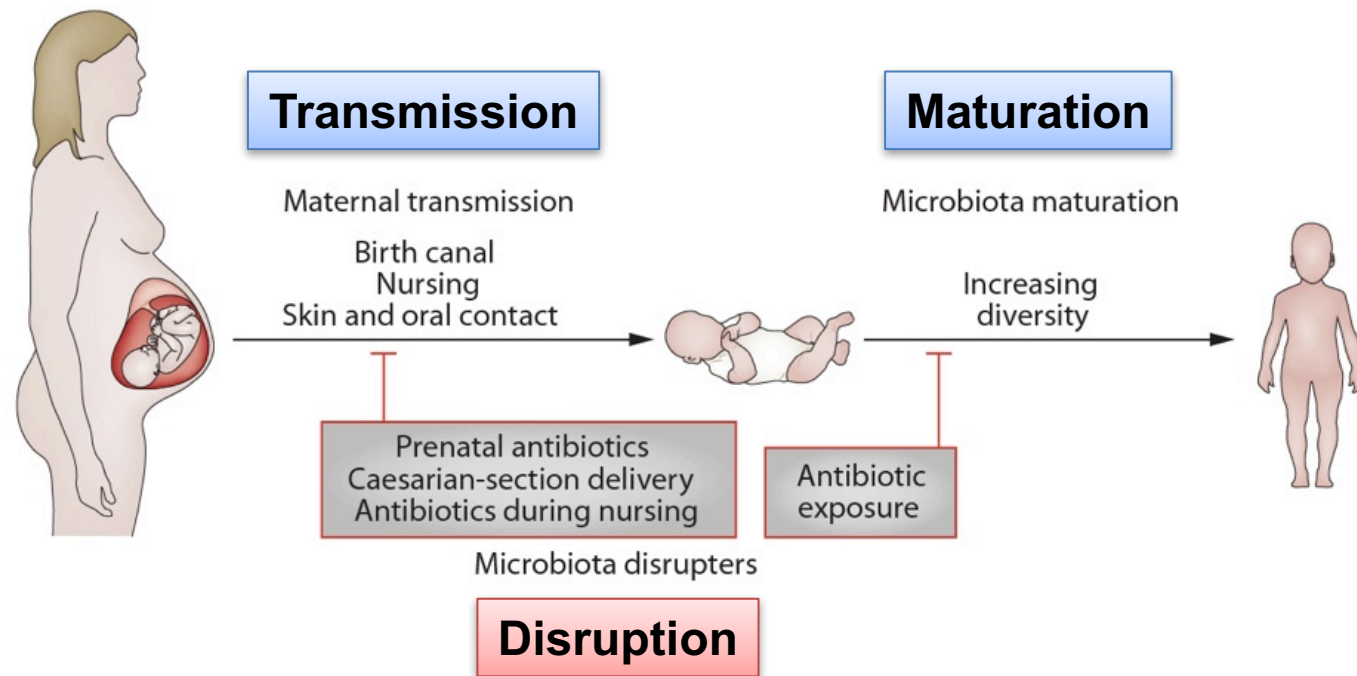


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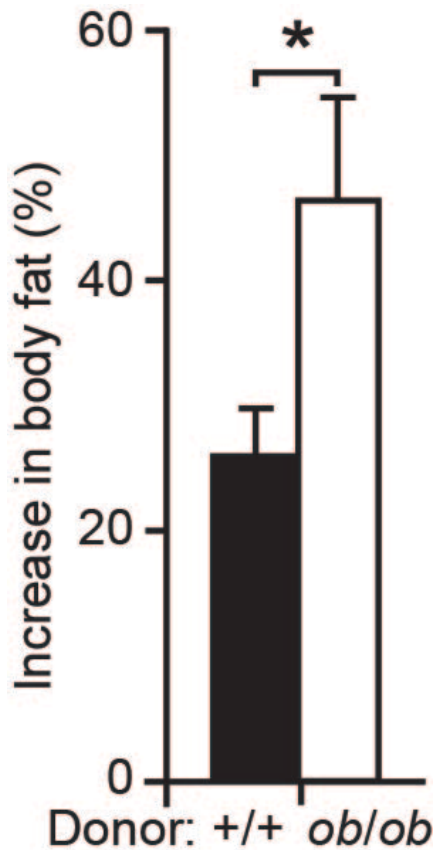
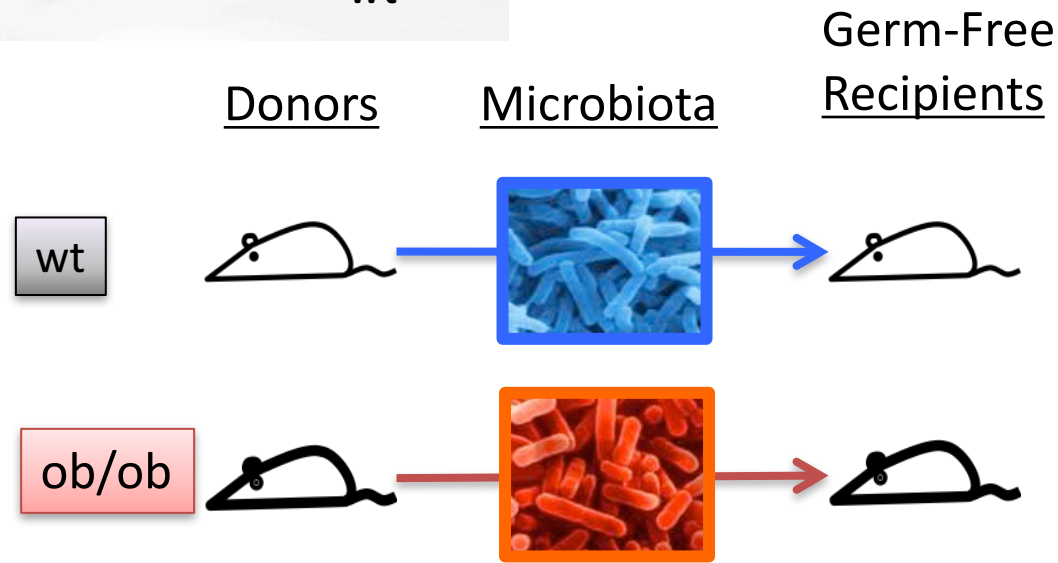
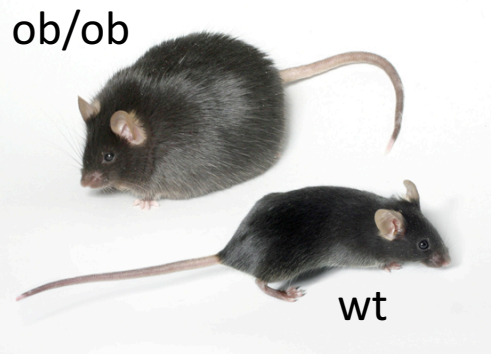
Microbiota transmission and maturation



Early-life microbiota disruption can alter:

- Immunologic development
- Behavior and neurobiology
- Growth and metabolism

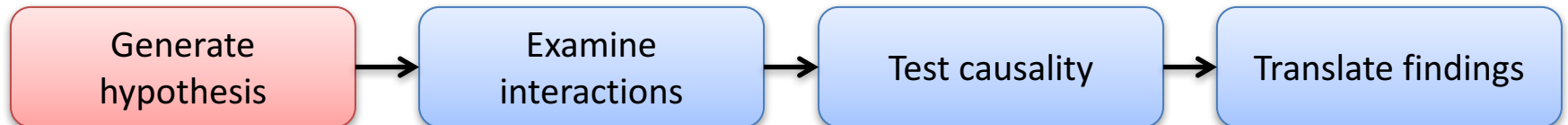
Altered-microbiota can shape body composition



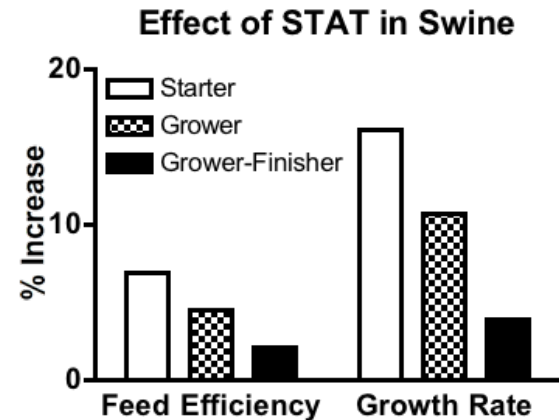
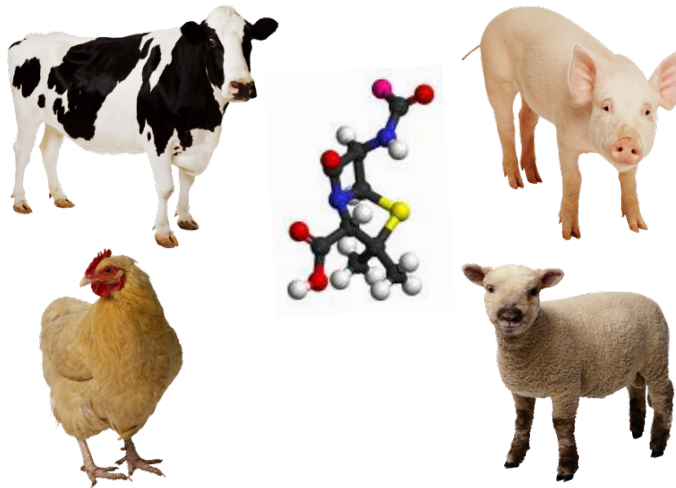
* $p < 0.05$, t-test

(Turnbaugh, Nature 2006)

Developing a model of microbe-induced obesity



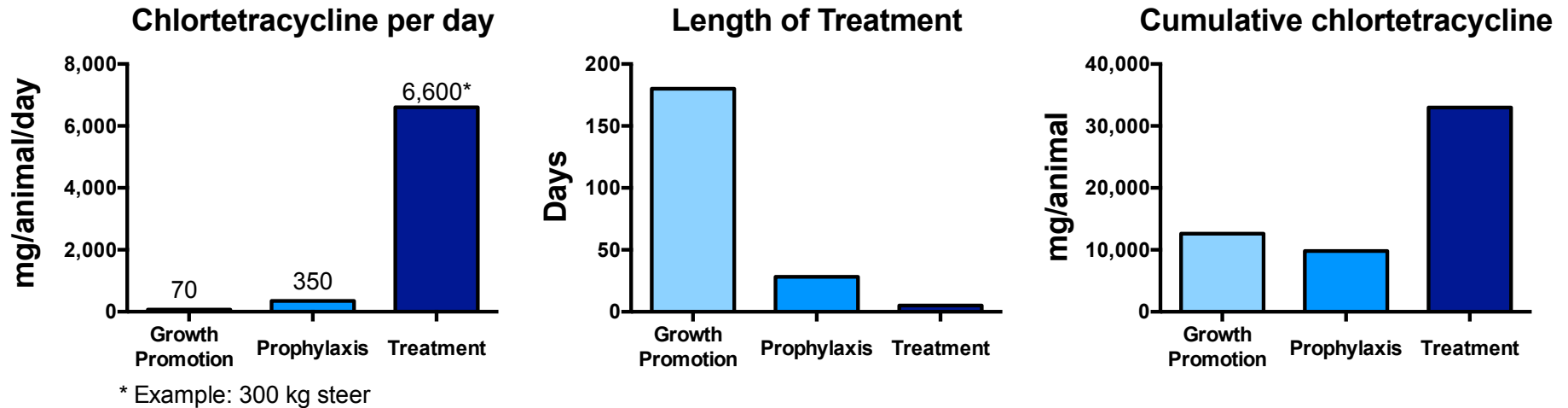
Sub-therapeutic antibiotic treatment promotes growth



(Adapted from Zimmerman, J Animal Sci, 1986)

Antibiotic	Class	Spectrum	Target
Bambermycin	Glycolipid	Gram +	Cell wall
Virginiamycin	Streptogramin	Gram +	Protein synthesis
Chlortetracycline	Tetracycline	Broad	Protein synthesis
Bacitracin	Cyclic peptide	Gram +	Cell wall synthesis
Penicillin	Beta-lactam	Gram +	Cell wall synthesis
Sulfathiazole	Sulfonamides	Broad	Metabolic inhibition
Carbadox	Quinoxaline	Broad	DNA Synthesis

Comparison of antimicrobial dosing levels



Usage	Dosage, duration, purpose
Growth promotion	70 mg/head/day throughout feedlot period for growth promotion (FDA, 1996)
Disease control	350 mg/head/day for 28 days to prevent shipping fever (Gadberry, 2012)
Disease treatment	22 mg/kg bw/day for 5 days to treat bacterial enteritis or pneumonia (FDA, 2002)

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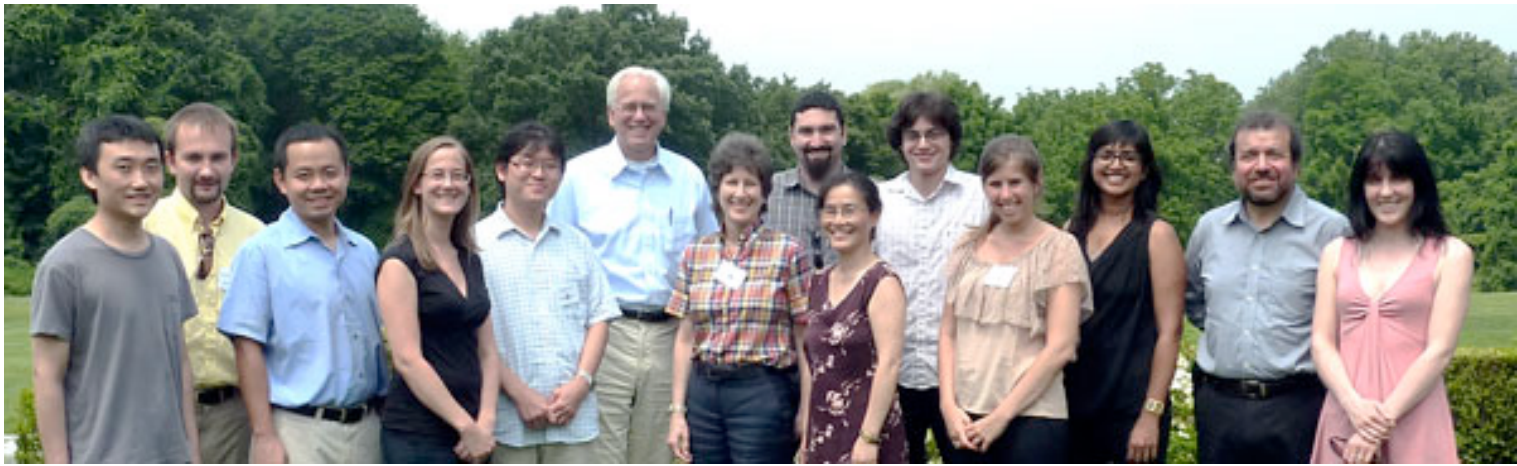
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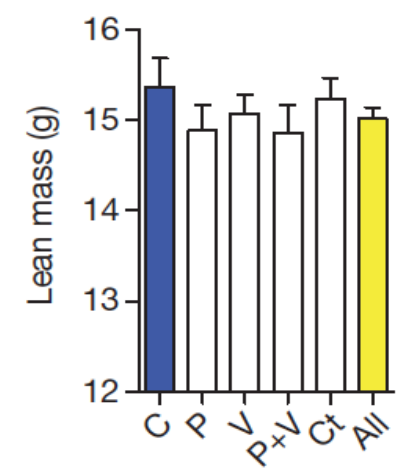
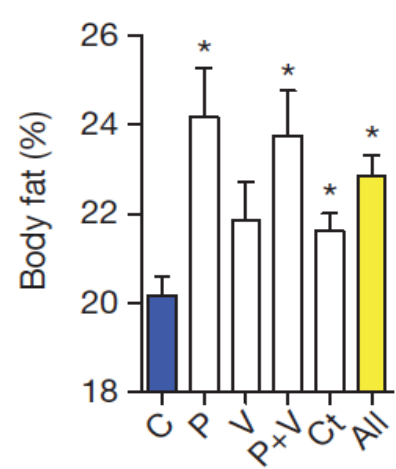
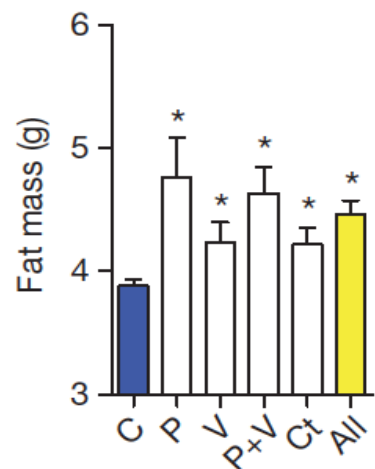
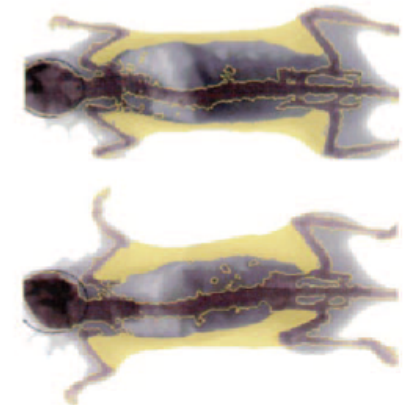
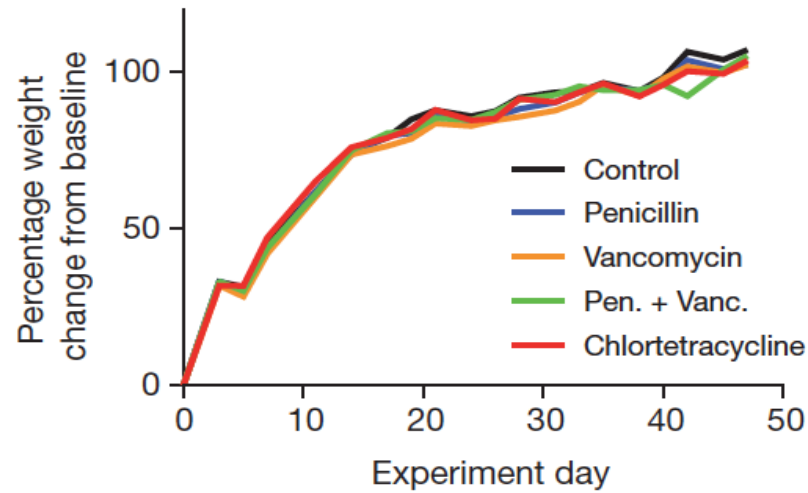
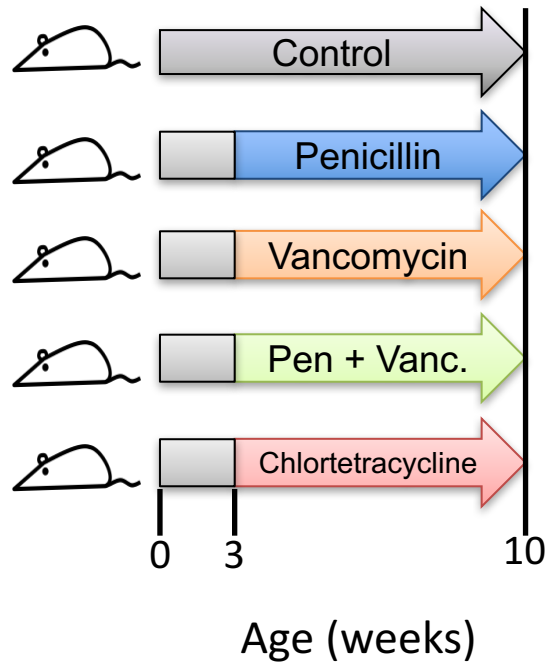
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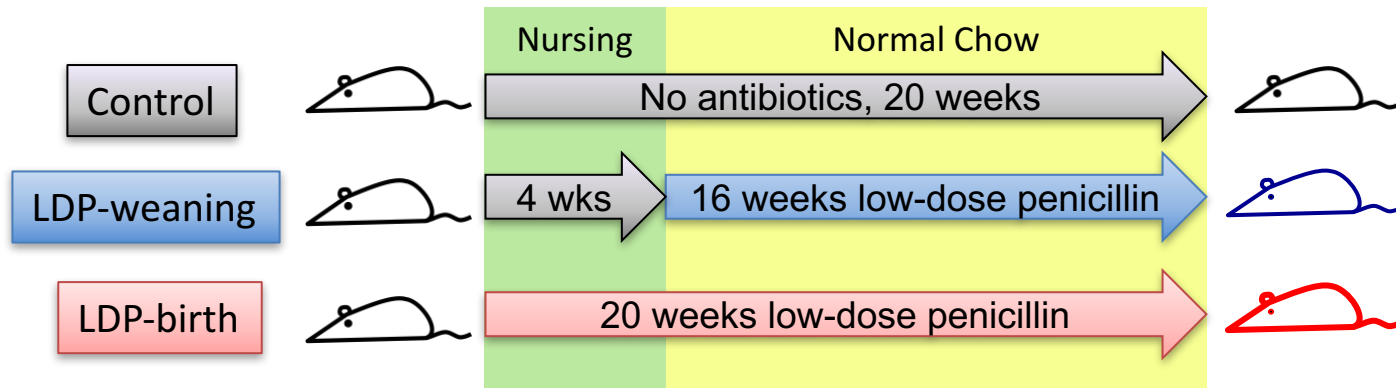
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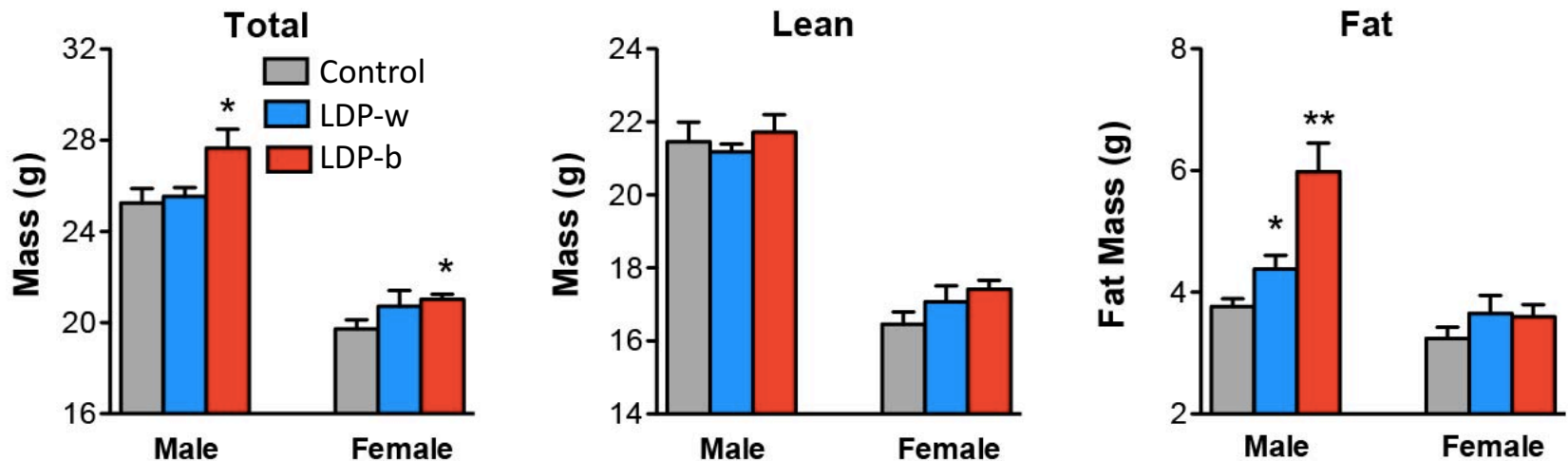
The effect of sub-therapeutic antibiotic treatment on body composition



The effect of pre- or post-weaning antibiotic exposure

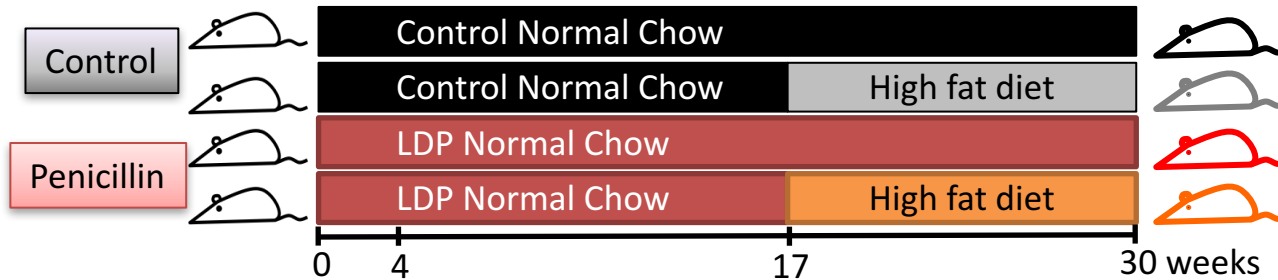


Body Composition at 20 weeks by DEXA scanning

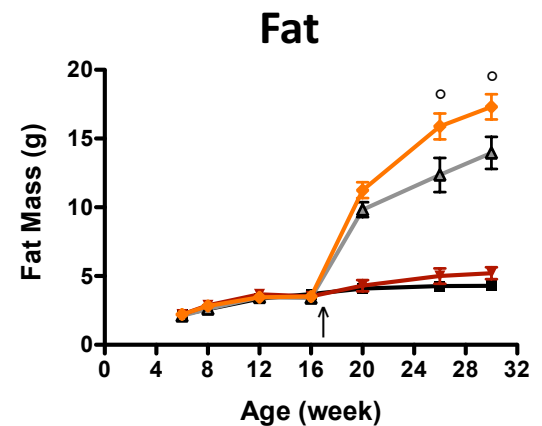
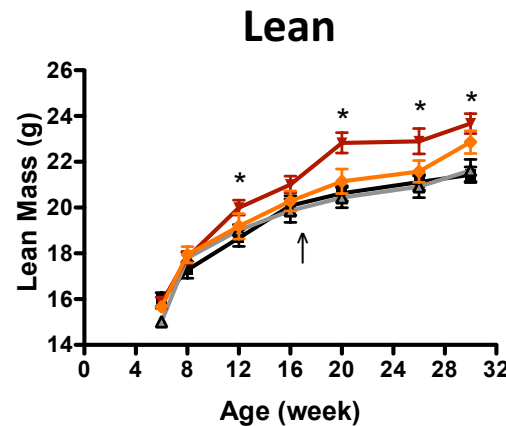
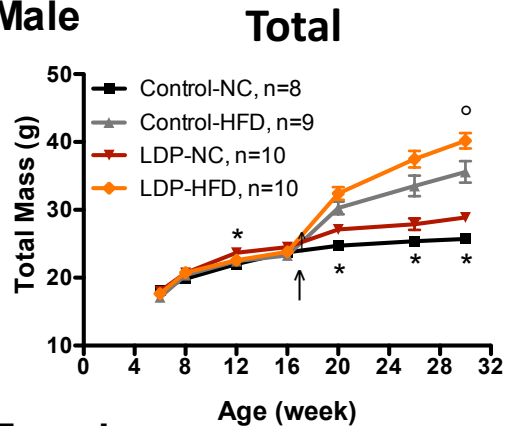


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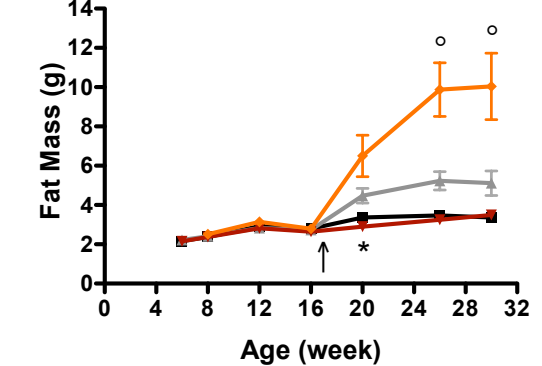
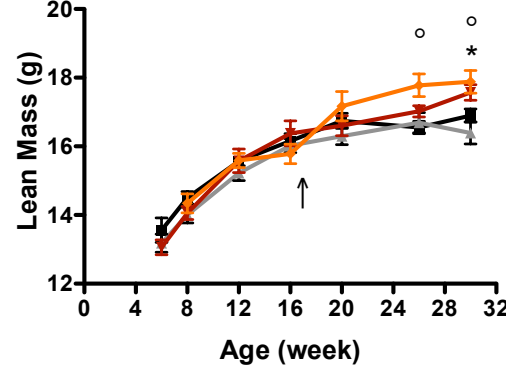
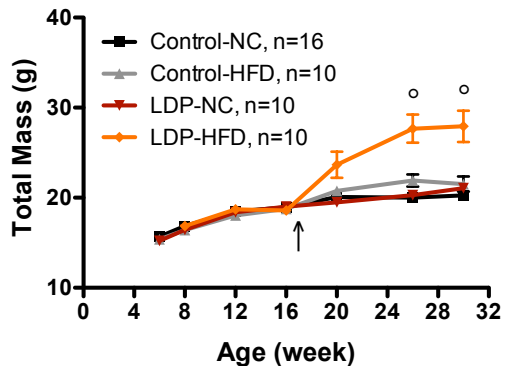
The effect of HFD and LDP on body composition



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Female

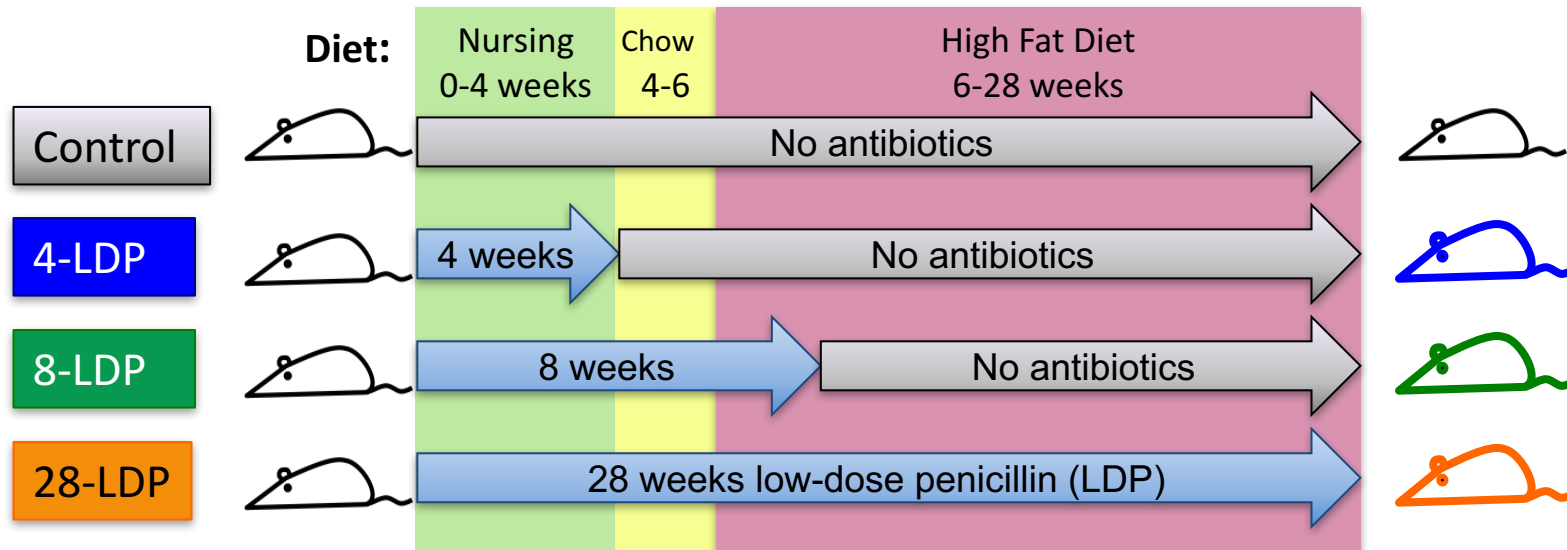


↑ High fat diet introduced

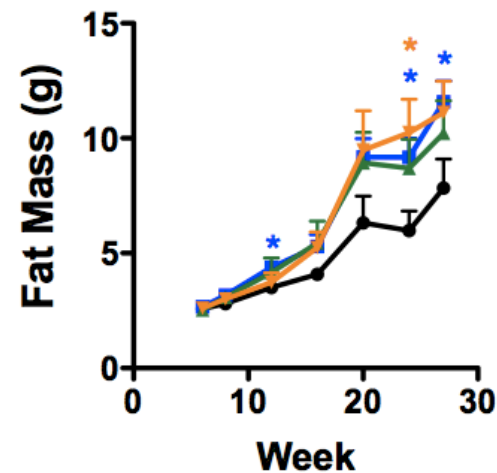
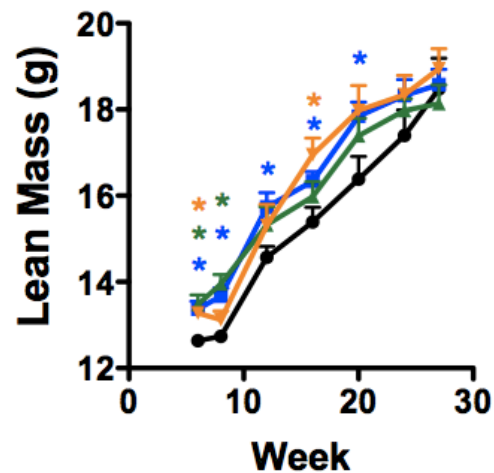
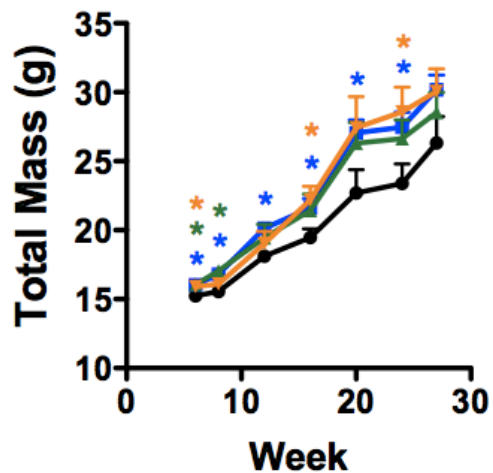
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Is adiposity durable with limited antibiotic exposure?



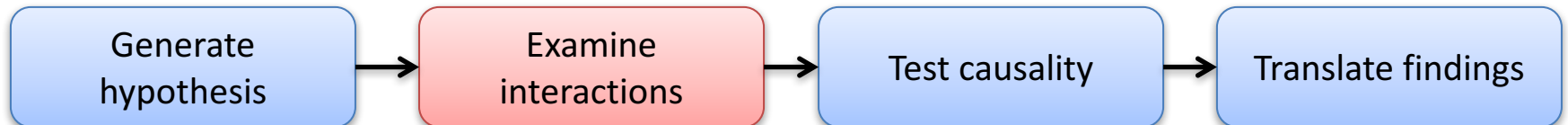
- Control n = 13
- 4-LDP n = 9
- ▲ 8-LDP n = 12
- ◆ 28-LDP n = 8



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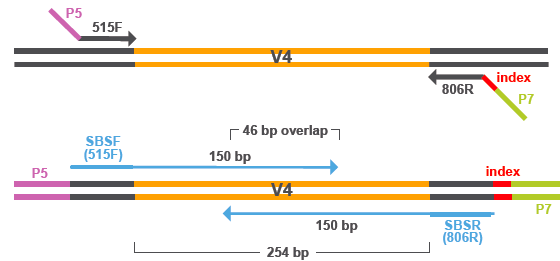
Microbiota Analysis:

How does the microbiota respond to and recover from low-dose penicillin over time?

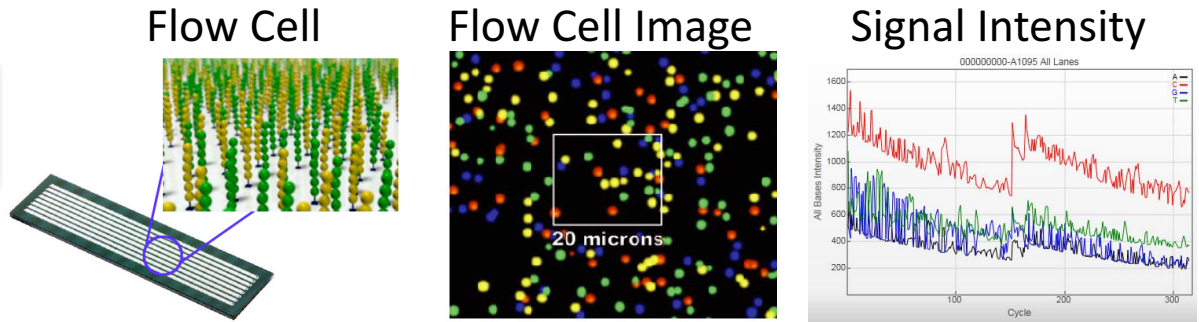


Microbiome Sequencing Strategy

1. Amplify the V4 region of microbial 16S rRNA gene with hundreds of barcoded reverse primers



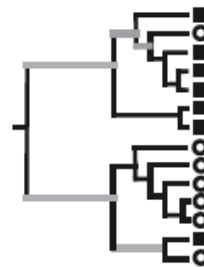
2. Sequence on Illumina MiSeq platform



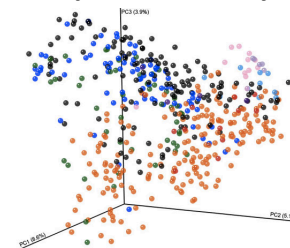
3. Assemble paired end reads with EA-utils, quality filter, demultiplex, assign taxonomy, construct a phylogenetic tree, calculate diversity metrics and relative abundance with QIIME



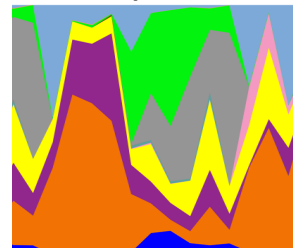
Tree



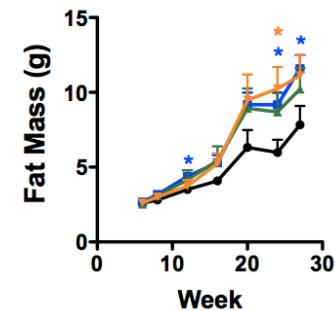
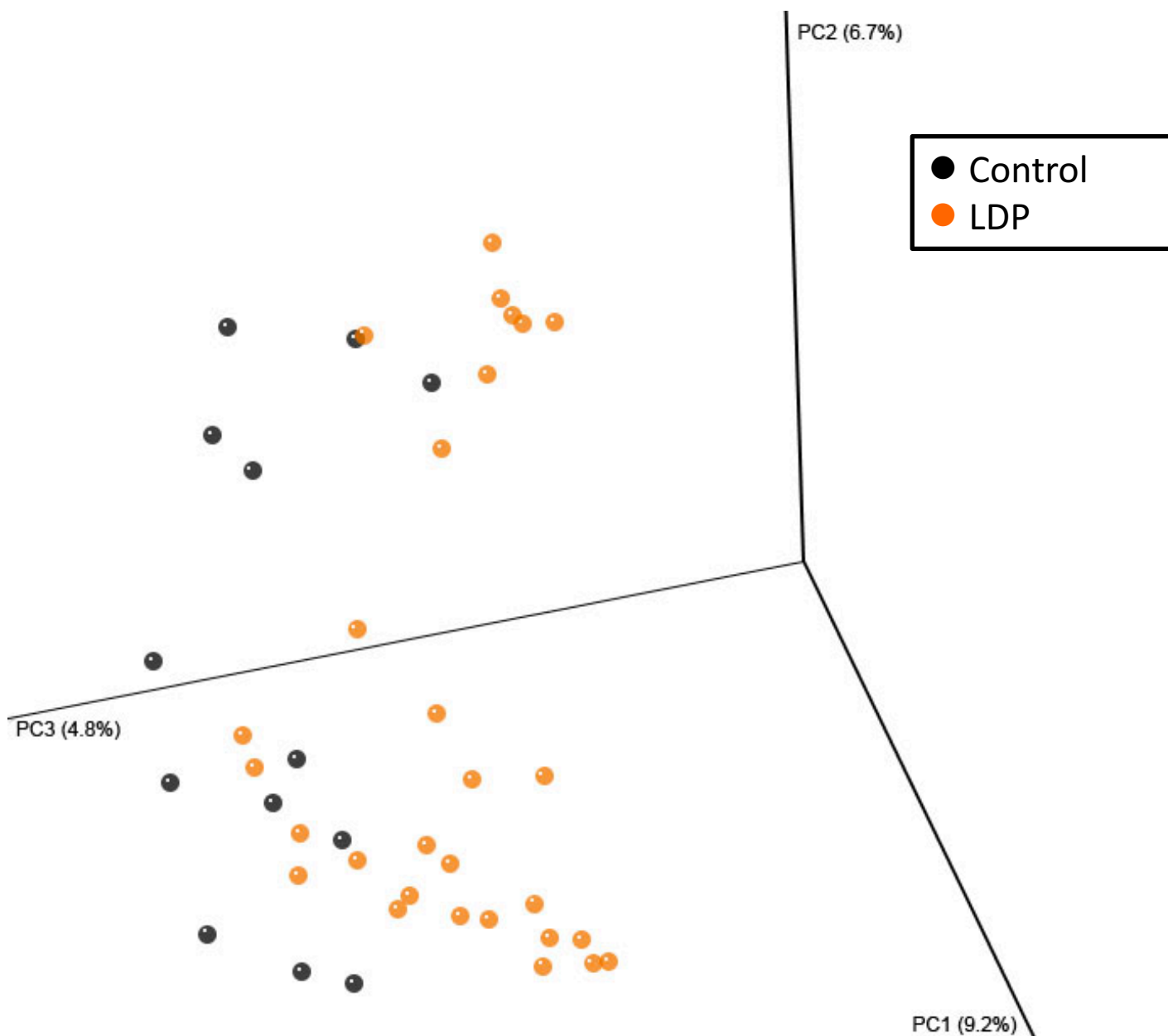
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Composition

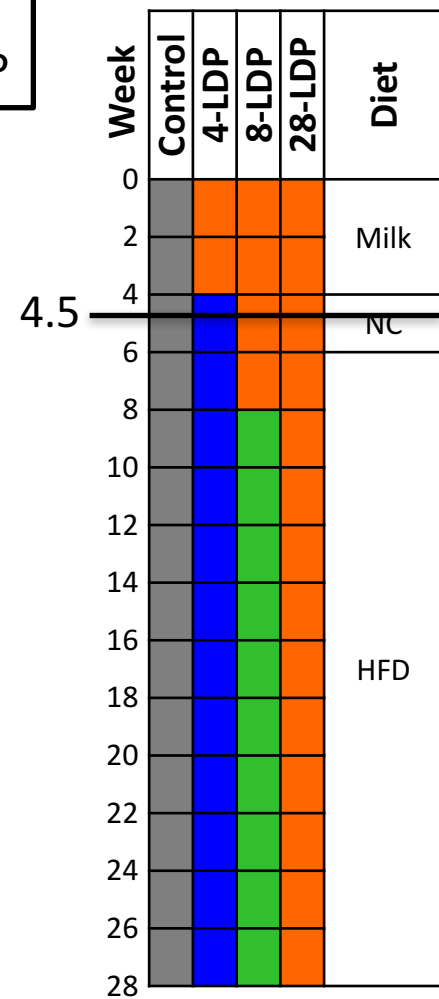
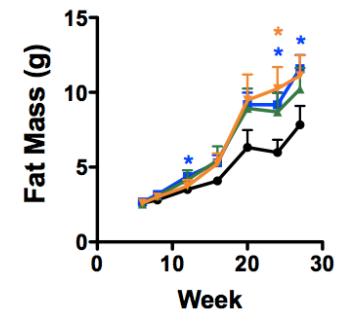
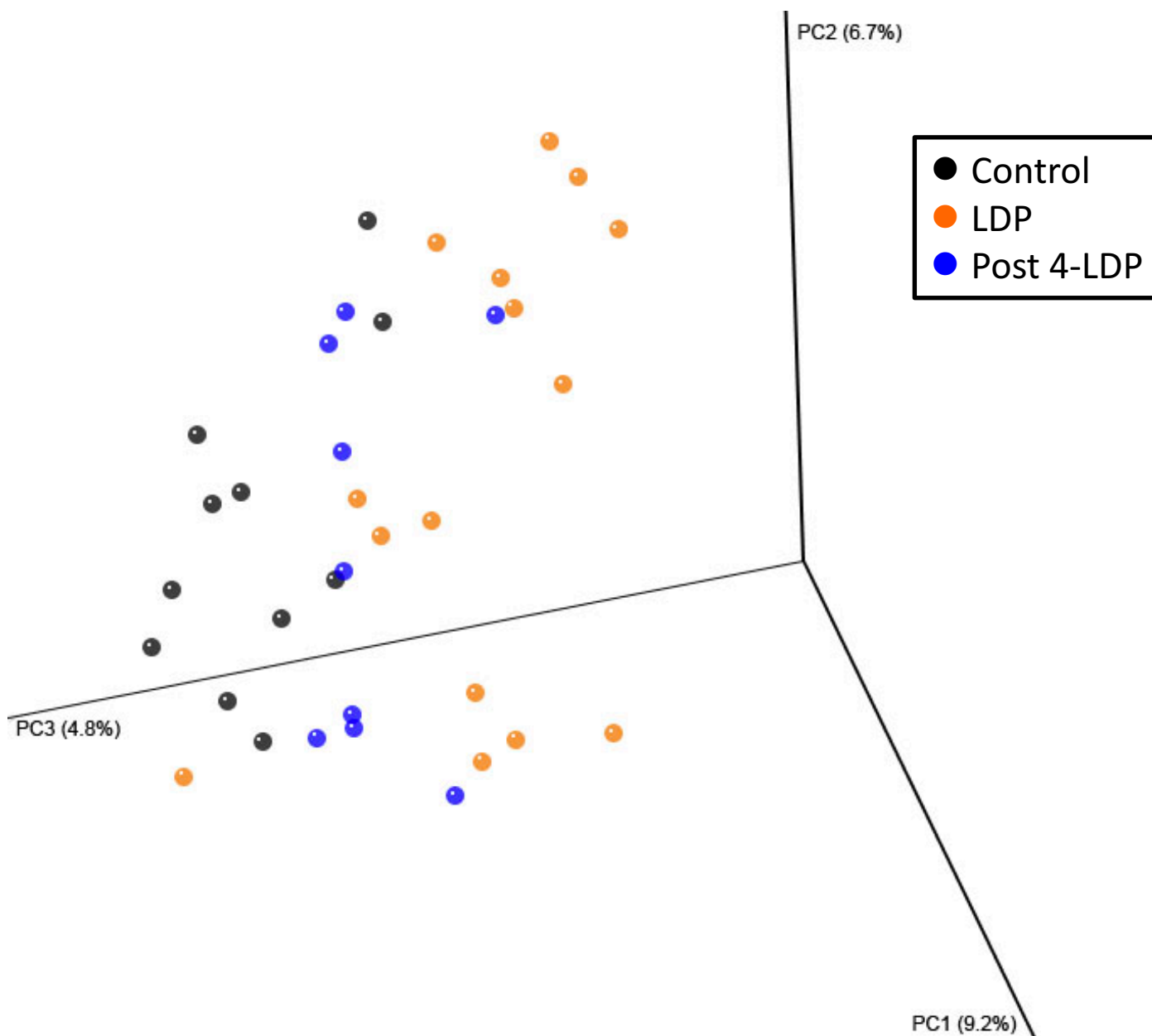


3-week fecal community structure

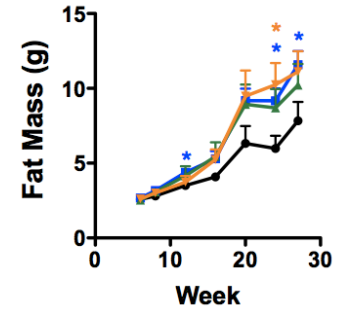
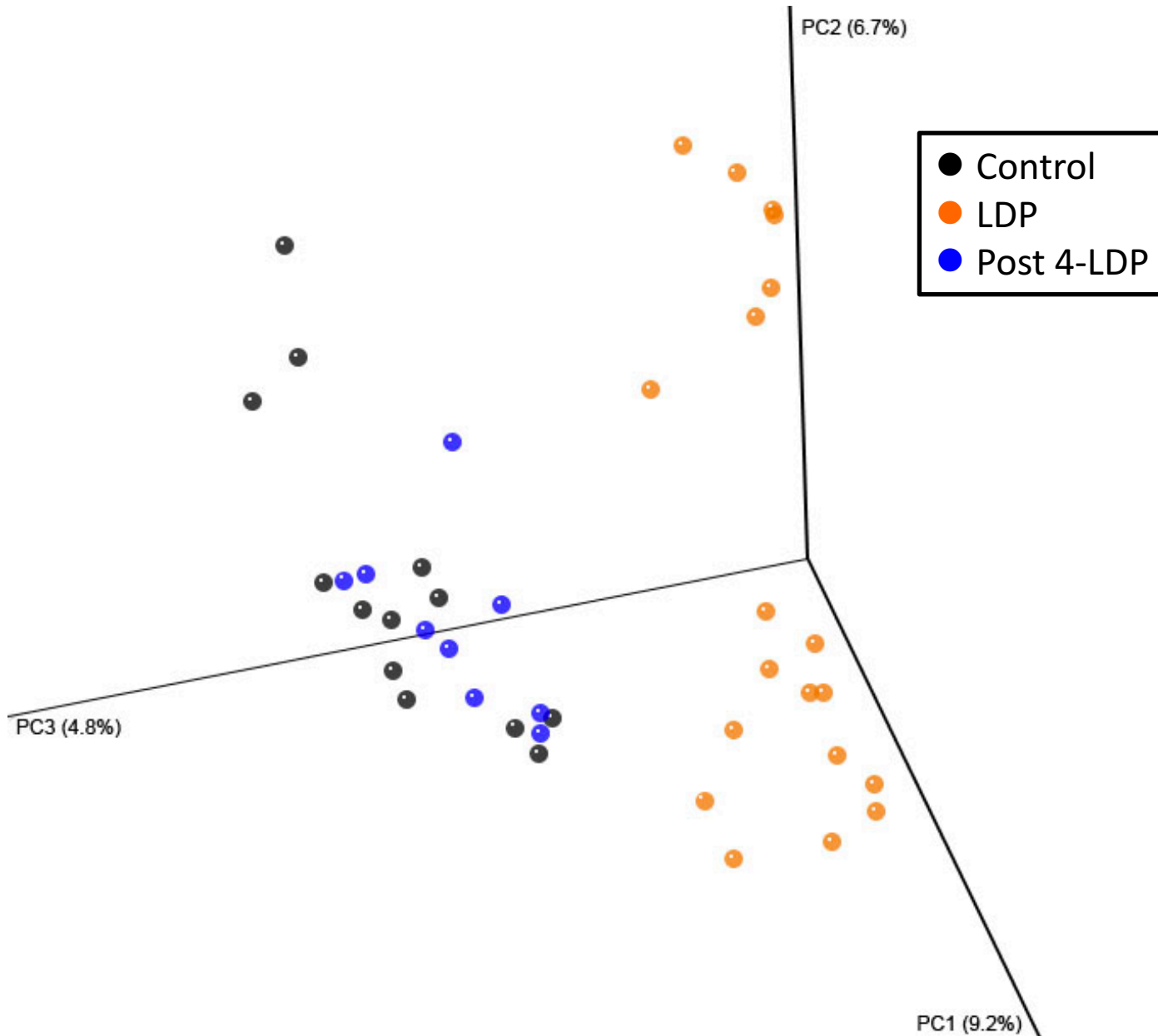


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4.5-week fecal community structure



8-week fecal community structure

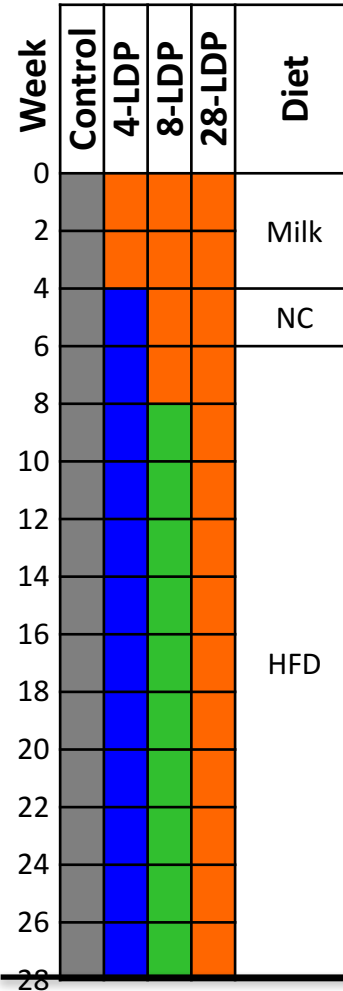
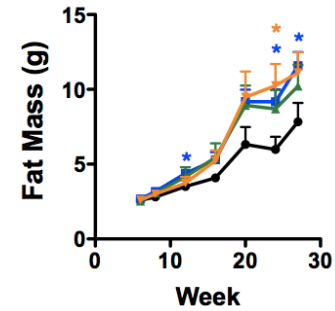
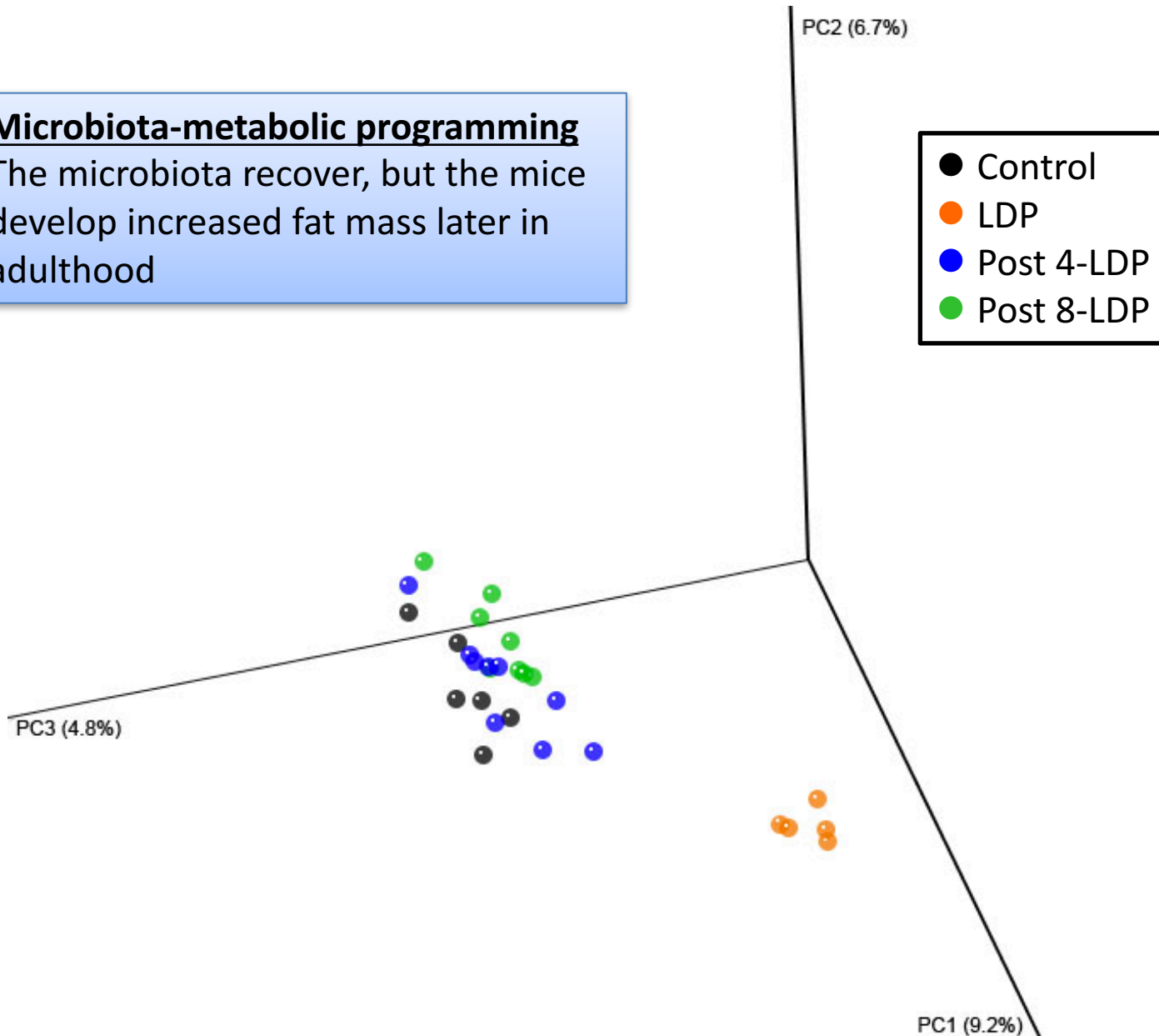


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28-week fecal community structure

Microbiota-metabolic programming

The microbiota recover, but the mice develop increased fat mass later in adulthood



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Metabolic programming during the Dutch hunger winter

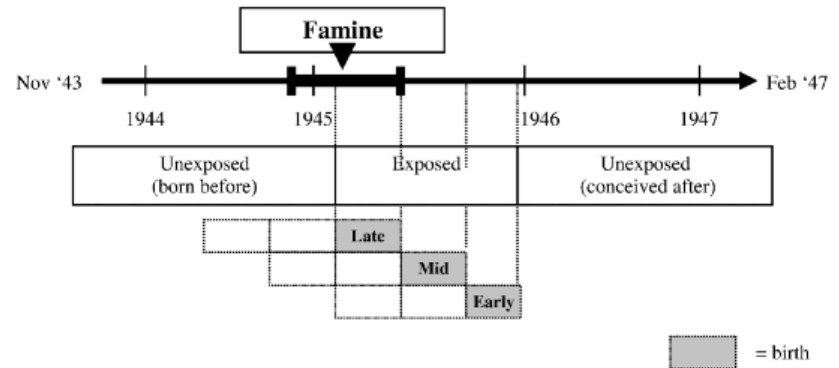


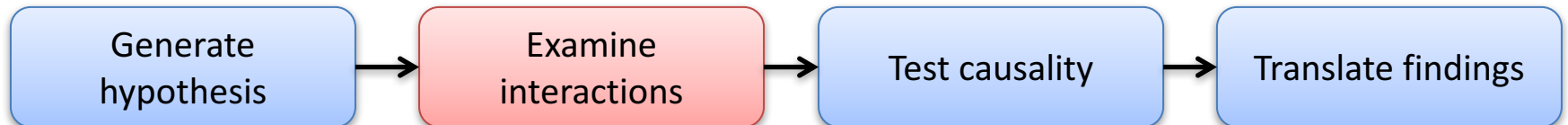
Figure 1 The Dutch famine birth cohort: famine exposure and birth in relation to the timing of the Dutch famine.

(Roseboom et al., Early Child Development, 2006)

- A massive famine affected the Netherlands during world war II
- Pregnant women were rationed additional food when it was possible
- During the worst times, all citizens were rationed between 400-800 calories per day
- Children exposed to low calories during the early part of gestation, followed by a rapid catch up had higher rates of cardiovascular disease, dislipidemia, and obesity

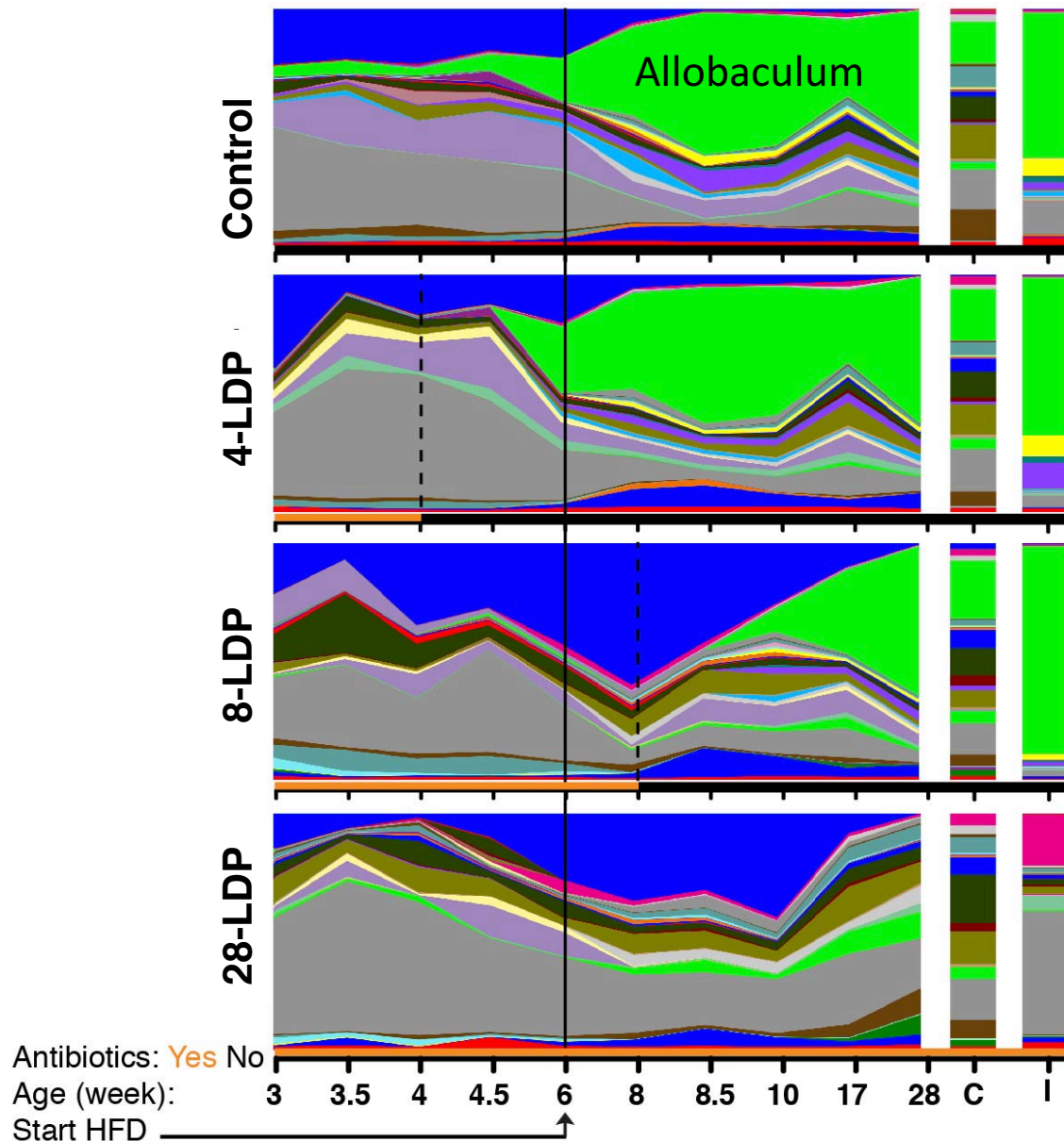
Bacterial Composition:

Find consistent changes

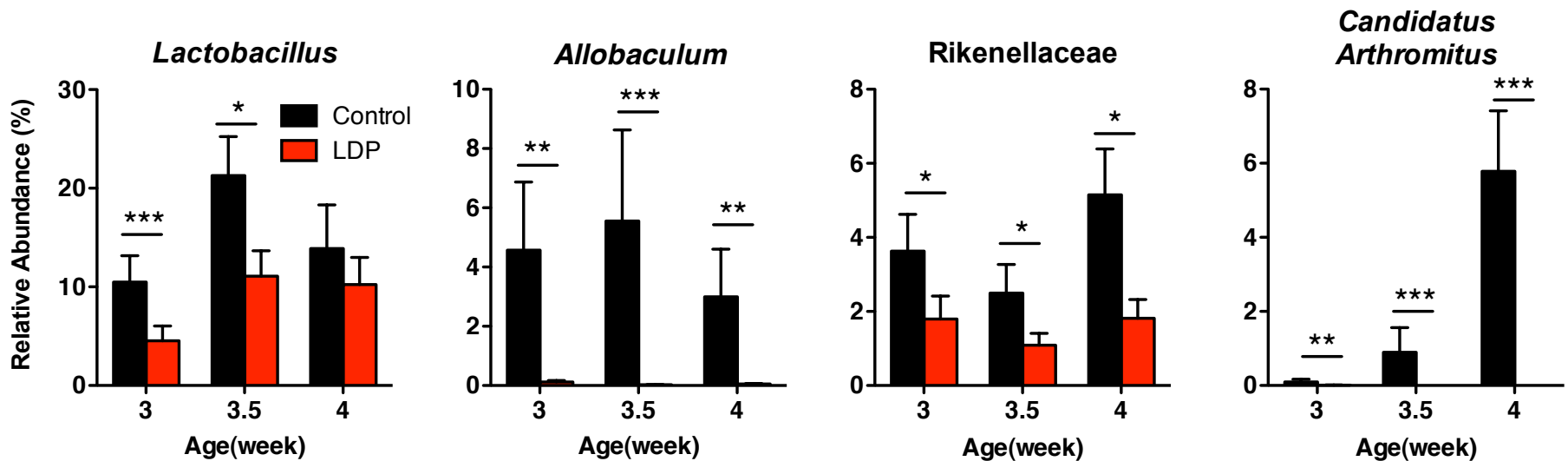


Changes in microbiome composition with limited LDP

- g_Akkermansia;s_muciniphila
- g_Pseudomonas;s_veronii
- g_Pseudomonas
- g_Erwinia
- g_Desulfovibrio;s_C21_c20
- g_Bilophila
- g_Janthinobacterium
- g_Sutterella
- g_Allobaculum
- f_Erysipelotrichaceae
- g_Ruminococcus
- g_Oscillospira
- g_Faecalibacterium;Other
- f_Ruminococcaceae
- f_Peptostreptococcaceae
- g_[Ruminococcus];s_gnavus
- g_Dorea
- g_Coprococcus
- g_Blautia;s_producta
- f_Lachnospiraceae
- f_Lachnospiraceae;Other
- f_Clostridiaceae;g_SMB53
- g_Candidatus Arthromitus
- f_Clostridiaceae
- o_Clostridiales
- o_Clostridiales;Other
- g_Turicibacter
- g_Lactococcus
- g_Lactobacillus;s_reuteri
- g_Lactobacillus
- g_Lactobacillus;Other
- g_Odoribacter
- o_Bacteroidales;f_S24-7
- f_Rikenellaceae
- g_Prevotella
- g_Bacteroides;s_ovatus
- g_Bacteroides
- o_Bacteroidales
- f_Coriobacteriaceae
- g_Bifidobacterium
- Low_Threshold



Early-life microbiota disrupted by penicillin



3/3 independent experiments

2/3 independent experiments

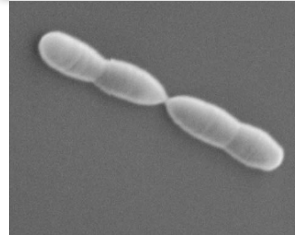
Summary of candidate protective organisms

Lactobacillus



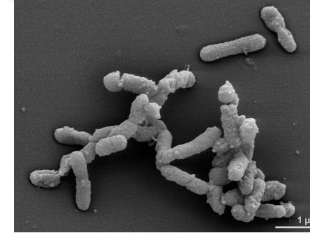
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Allobaculum



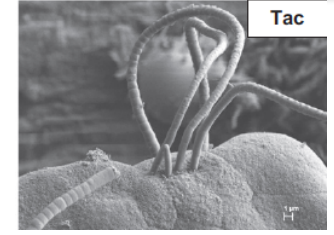
Greetham, Anaerobe, 2004

Rikenellaceae



Mavromatis, Stand Genom Sci, 2013

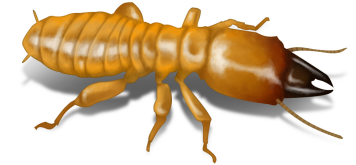
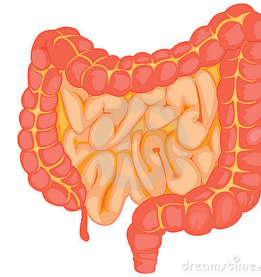
“*Arthromitus*”



Ivanov & Littman, et al. , Cell 2009

Electron photo-
micrograph

Original
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Organism

Lactobacillus

Allobaculum

Rikenellaceae

“*Arthromitus*”

Class

Bacilli

Erysipelotrichi

Bacteroidia

Clostridia

Discovered

Pre-1905 from yogurt,
early studies
Metchnikoff

2004, Labrador,
Reading, UK

Members isolated
1937
Family named in 2003

1849, termite gut,
Joseph Leidy

Pubmed ref's

30,736

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102

209 (SFB)

Special
characteristics

Major lactic acid
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Highly responsive to
dietary changes

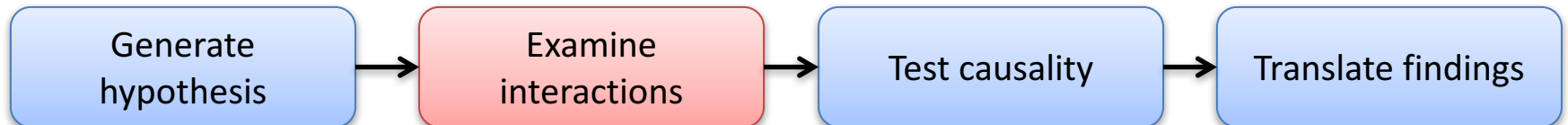
Adherent to epithelial
cells in leech intestine

Induces Th17 Cells

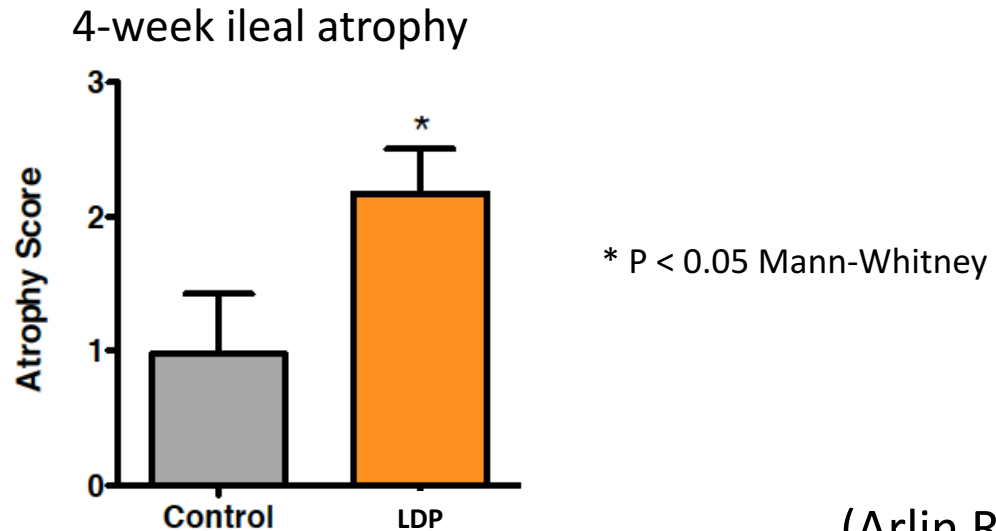
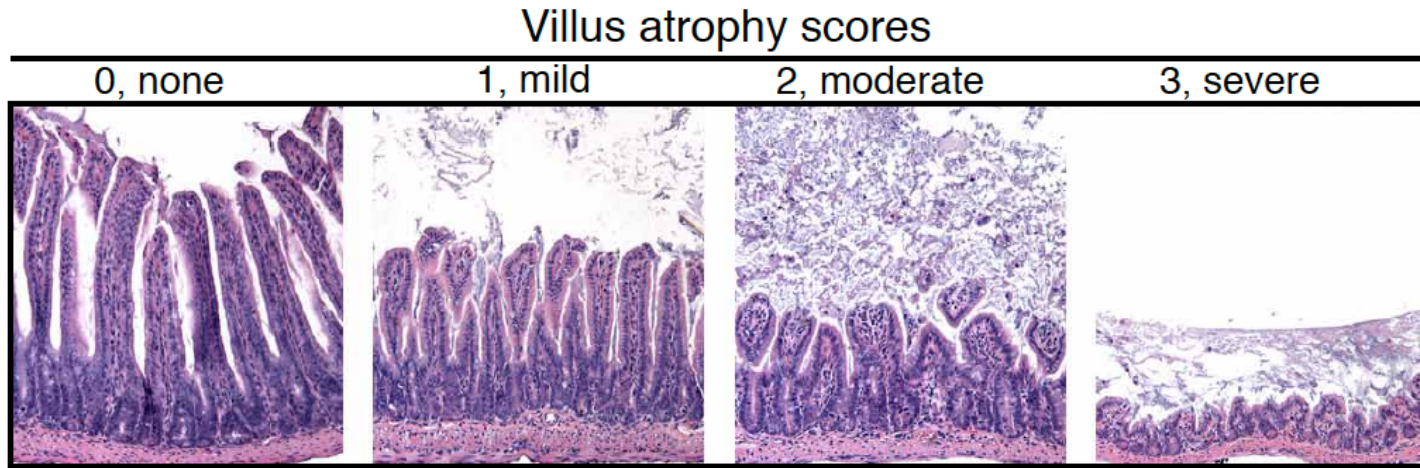
Organism	<i>Lactobacillus</i>	<i>Allobaculum</i>	Rikenellaceae	“ <i>Arthromitus</i> ”
Class	Bacilli	Erysipelotrichi	Bacteroidia	Clostridia
Discovered	Pre-1905 from yogurt, early studies Metchnikoff	2004, Labrador, Reading, UK	Members isolated 1937 Family named in 2003	1849, termite gut, Joseph Leidy
Pubmed ref's	30,736	22	102	209 (SFB)
Special characteristics	Major lactic acid producer	Highly responsive to dietary changes	Adherent to epithelial cells in leech intestine	Induces Th17 Cells

Host defenses:

Find altered states



Early life changes in ileal architecture



(Arlin Rogers,
Tufts University)

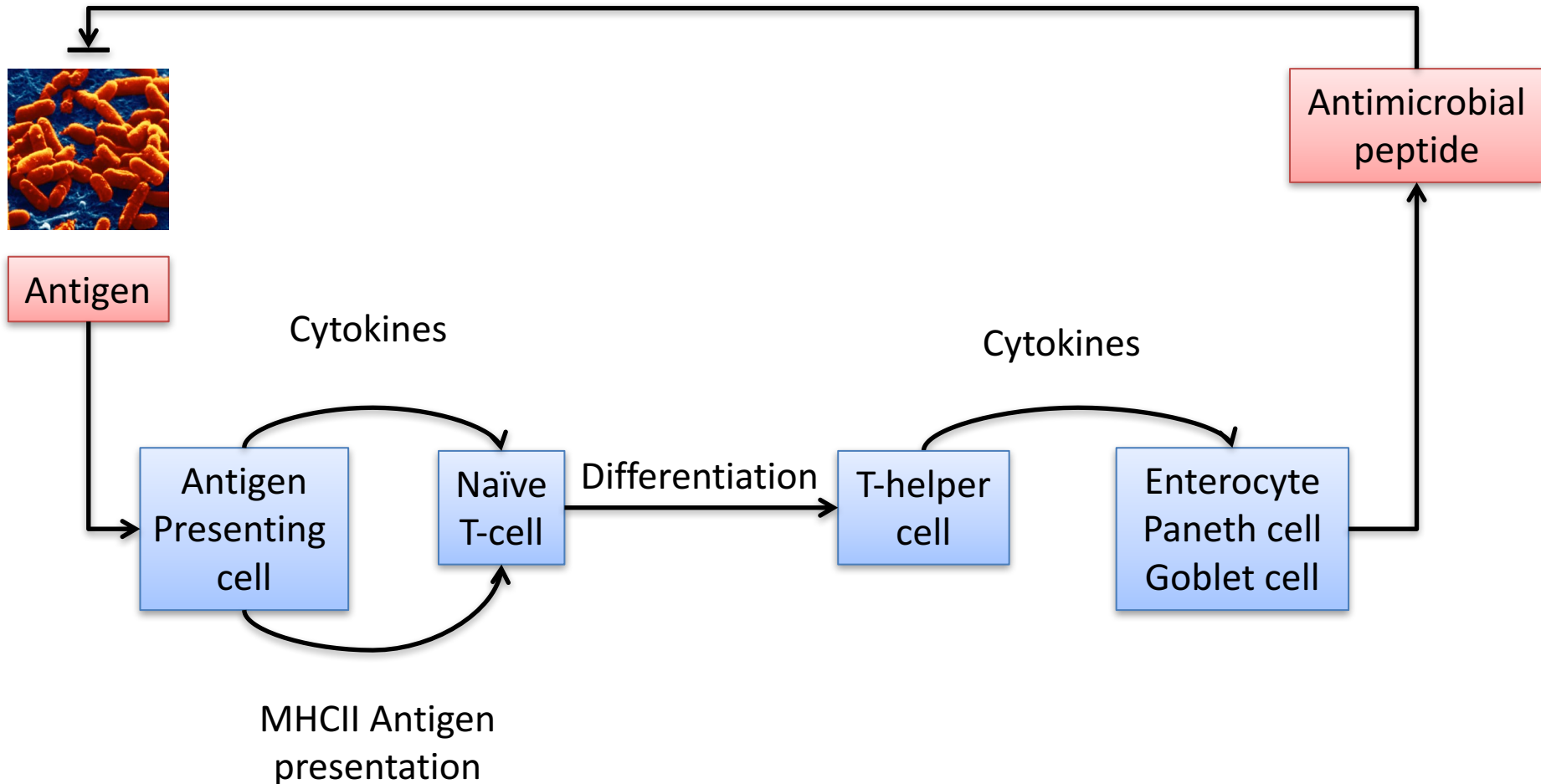
“Good fences make good neighbors”

-old English proverb

-Robert Frost, “The Mending Wall”



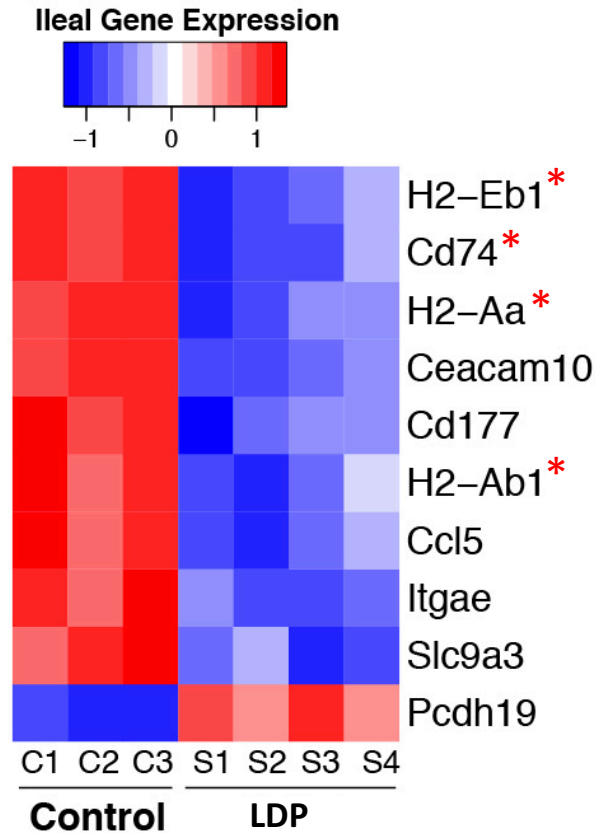
Modulation at the intestinal interface



The effect of LDP on ileal expression

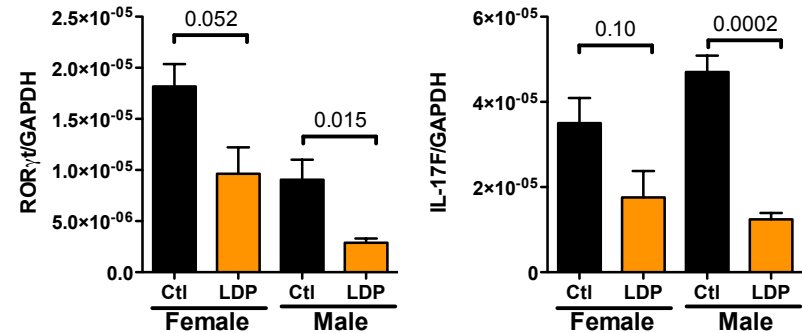
Microarray

*Antigen Presentation

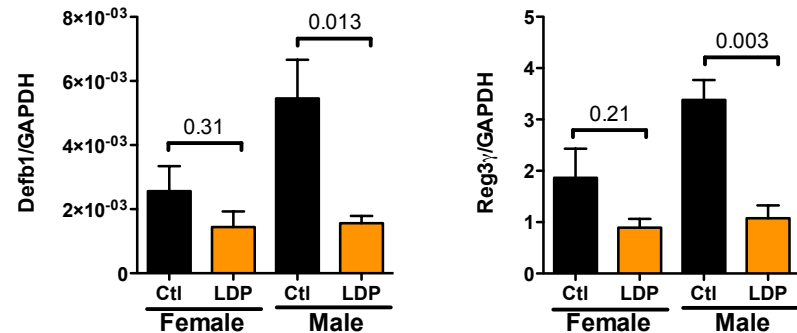


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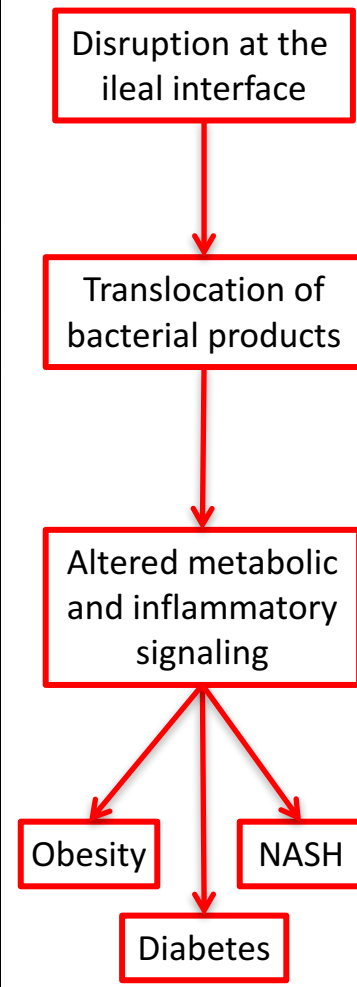
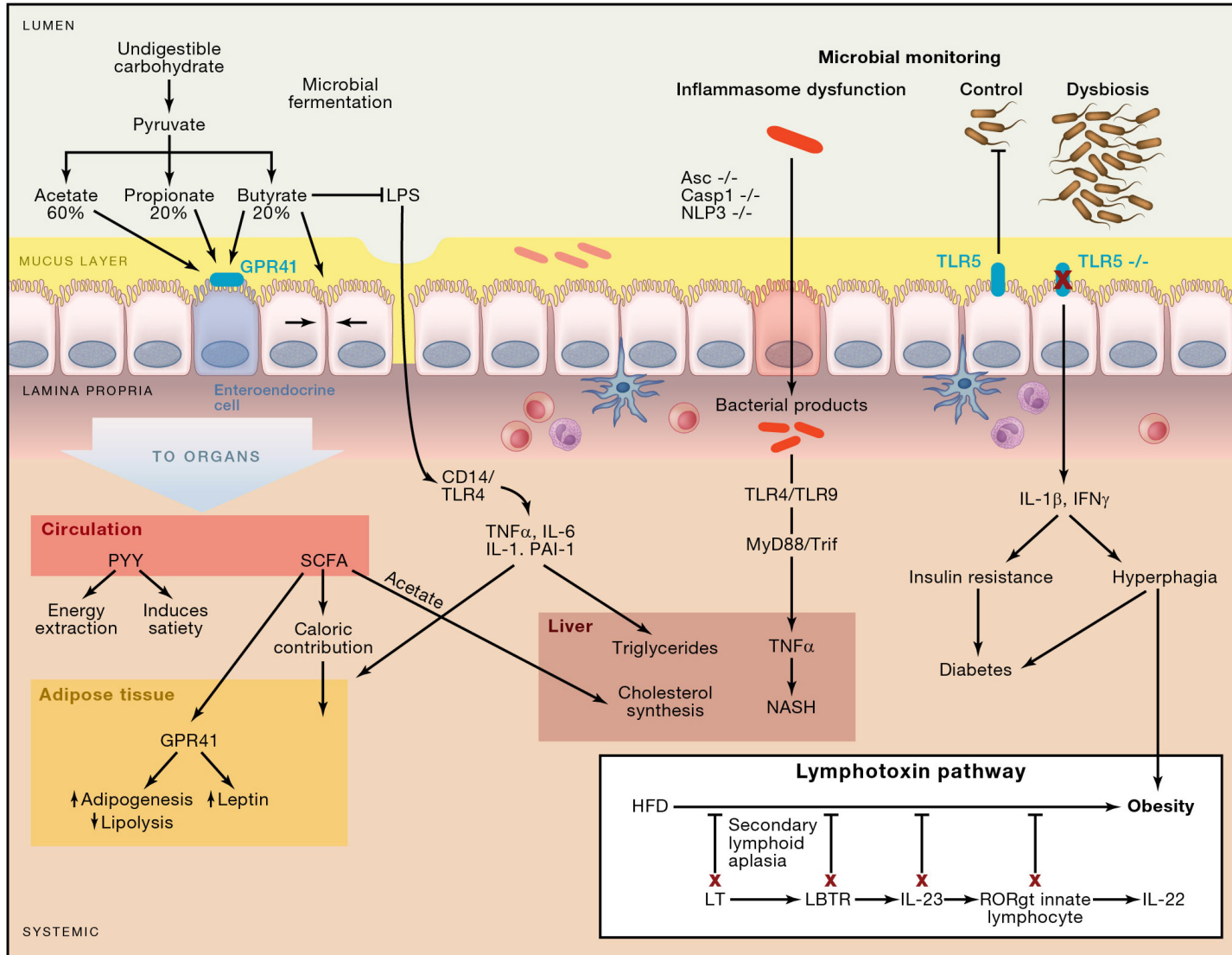
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Antimicrobial peptides

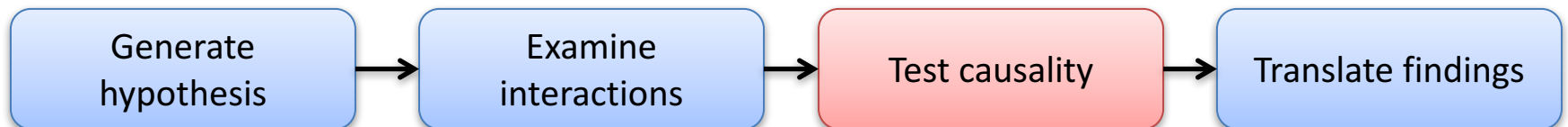


Interactions between microbes, immunity, and metabolism



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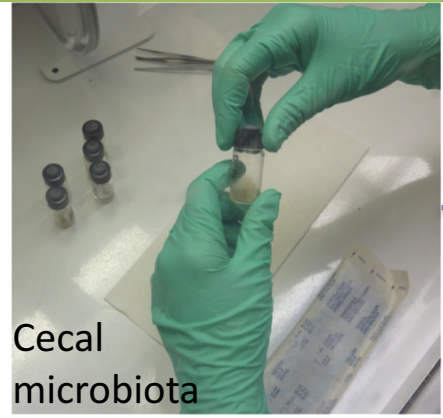
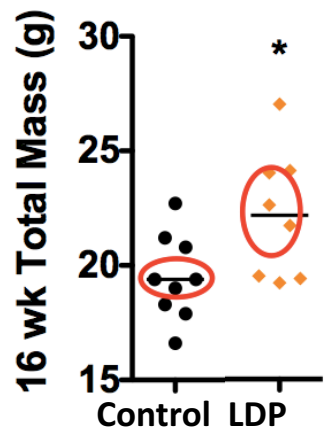
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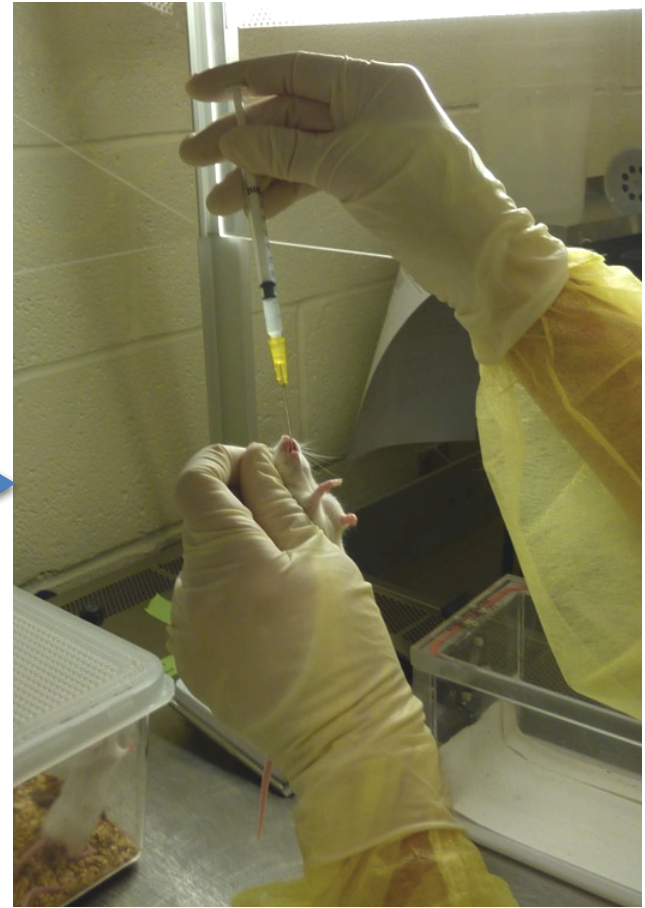
Is the LDP-adiposity phenotype transferable?

Donors

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Oral Gavage



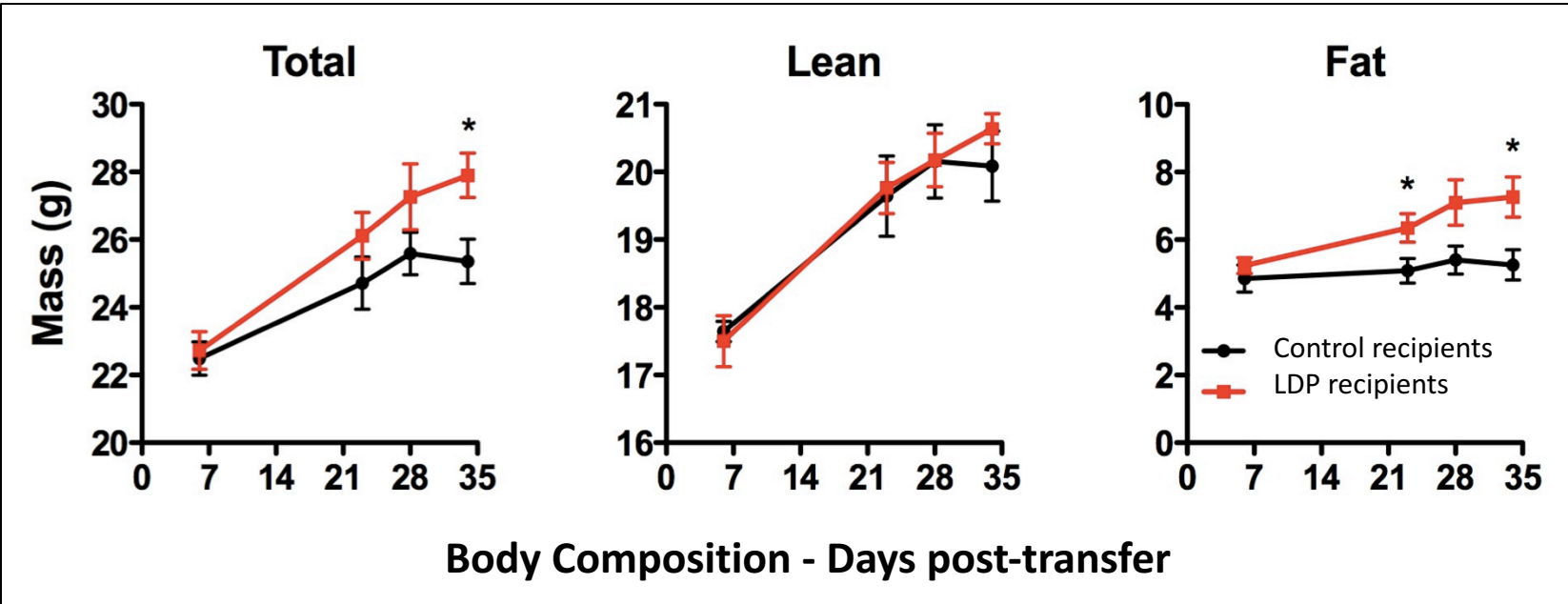
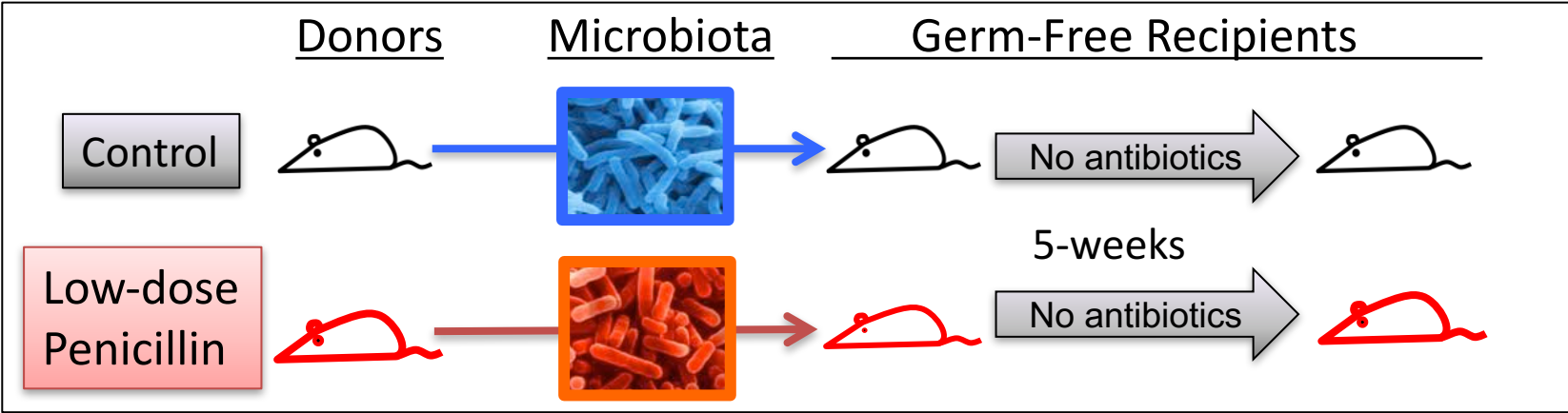
Specific-pathogen free conditions

Recipient

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Penicillin-altered microbiota confer the obesogenic phenotype

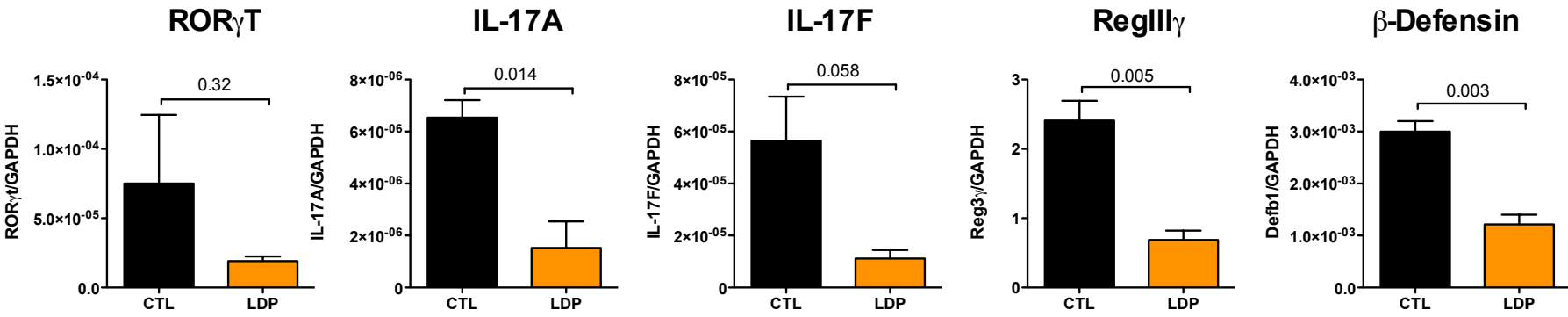


Expression of genes involved in ileal defense in microbiota donor and recipient mice

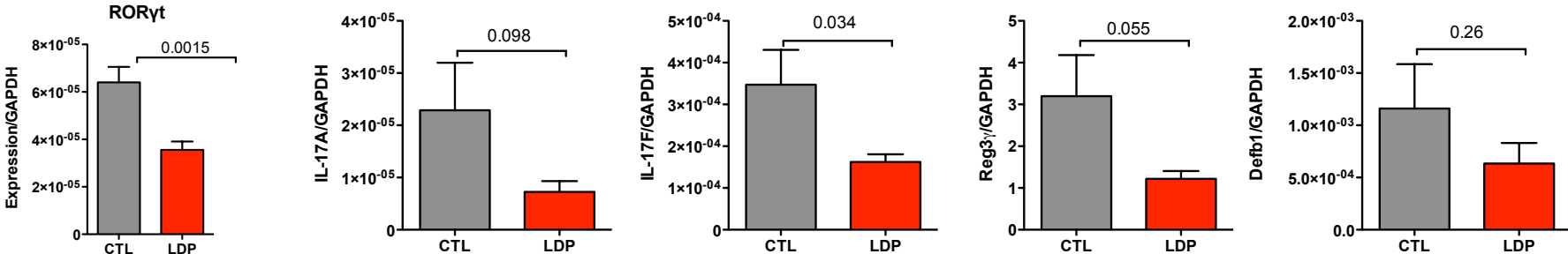
Donors

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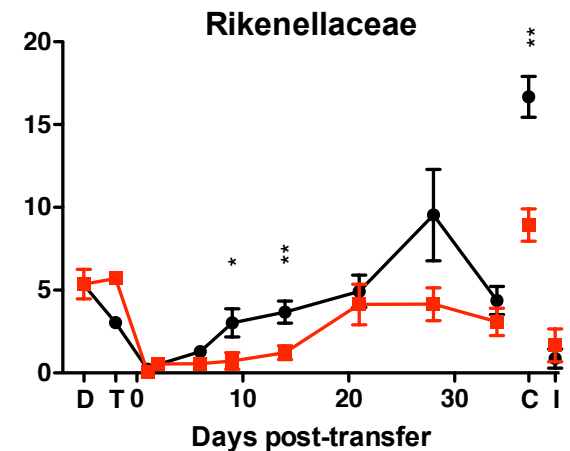
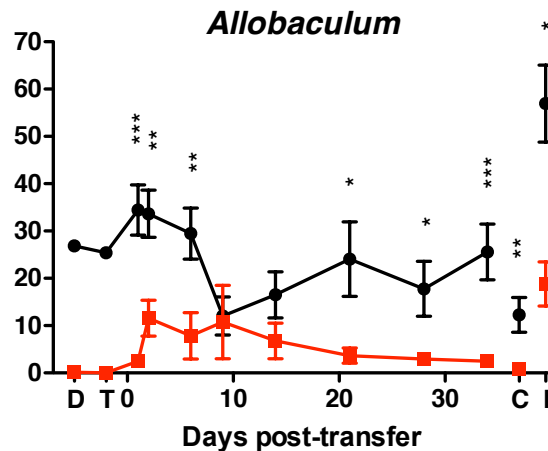
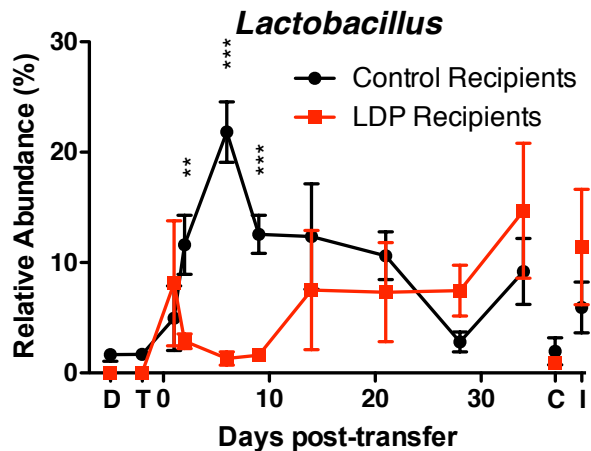
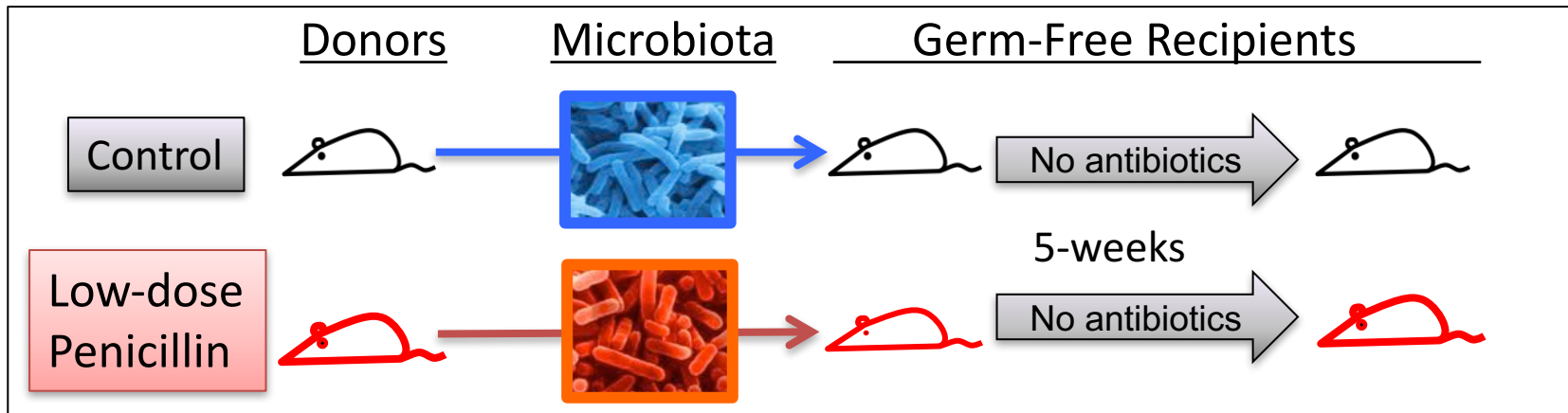


Recipients



p-values t-test

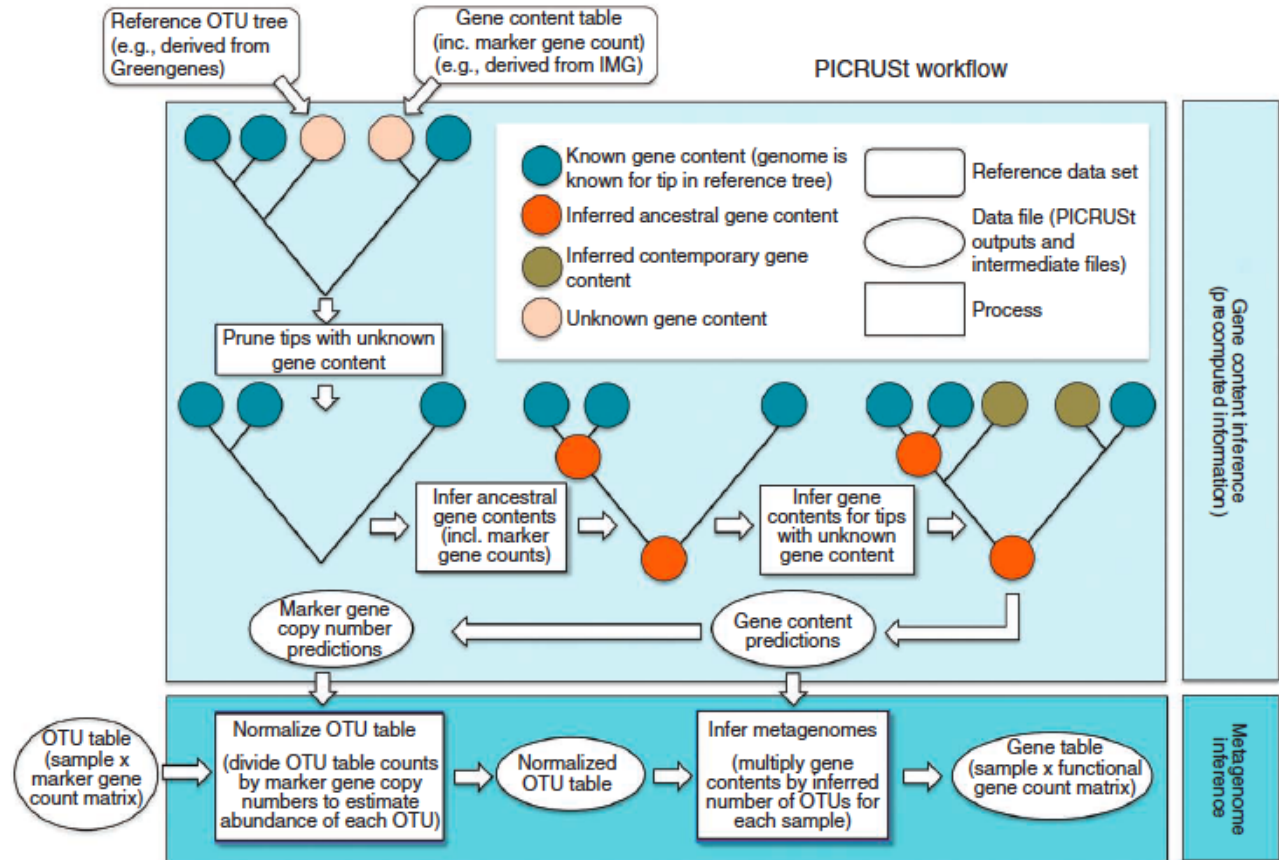
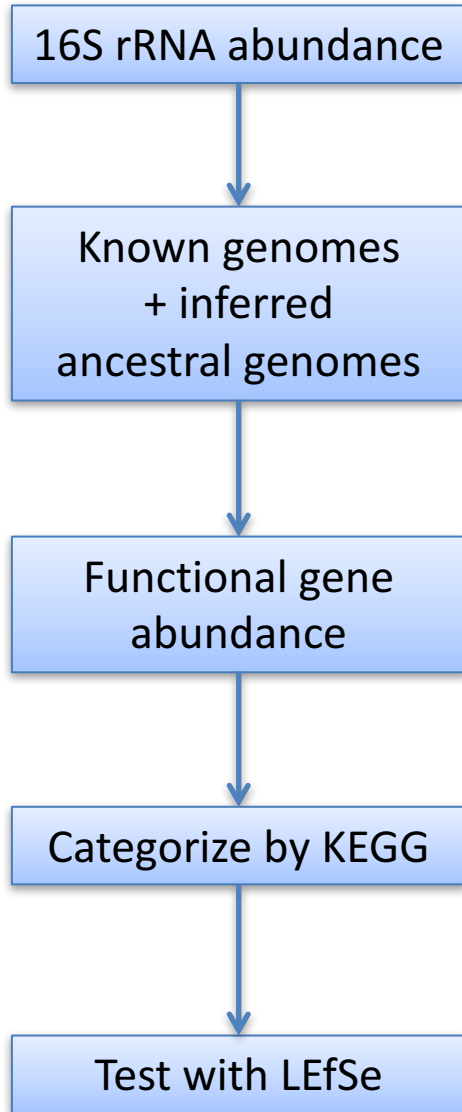
Consistent reductions in LDP-microbiota recipients



4/4 independent experiments

3/4 independent experiments

Predicted functional profiling with PICRUST



(Langille et. al., Nature Biotechnol, 2013
 Segata et. al., Genome Biol. 2001)
 Huttenhower Lab

Altered predicted microbiota functions

KEGG Pathway (L3)		Low-dose penicillin	LDP-microbiota recipients
Down	Amino sugar and nucleotide sugar metabolism	2*	3
	Fructose and mannose metabolism	4	3
	General function prediction only	2	4
	Glycolysis/Gluconeogenesis	2	2
	Peptidoglycan biosynthesis	2	2
	Terpenoid backbone biosynthesis	2	2
Up	Arginine and proline metabolism	2	3
	C5-Branched dibasic acid metabolism	4	3
	Fatty acid biosynthesis	2	3
	Glycine, serine and threonine metabolism	2	2
	Lipid biosynthesis proteins	2	3
	Lysine biosynthesis	2	2
	Pantothenate and CoA biosynthesis	3	3
	Phenylalanine, tyrosine and tryptophan biosynthesis	2	4
	Protein kinases	2	2
	Sphingolipid metabolism	3	2
	Two-component system	2	2
	Valine, leucine and isoleucine biosynthesis	2	3

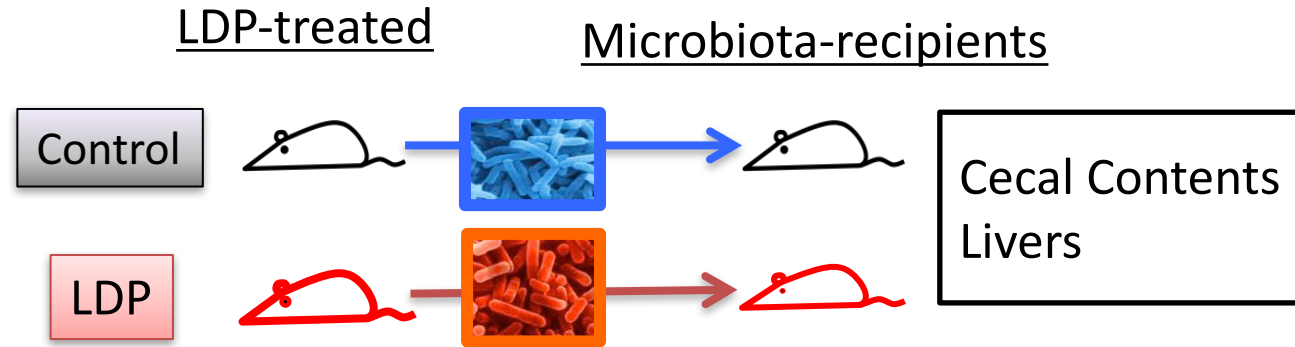
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Metabolomics workflow

Samples

Measurement

Analysis



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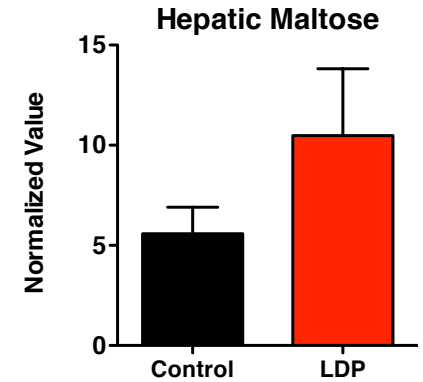
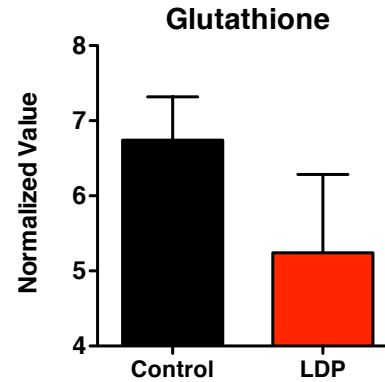
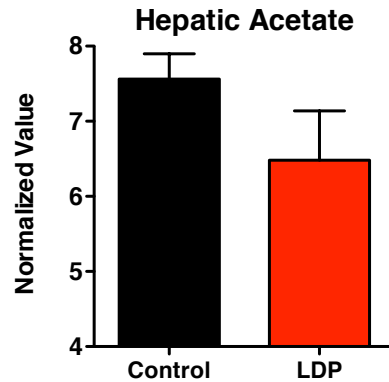
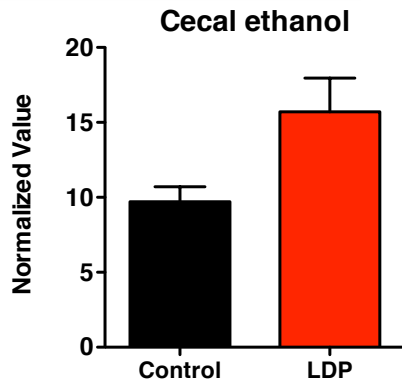
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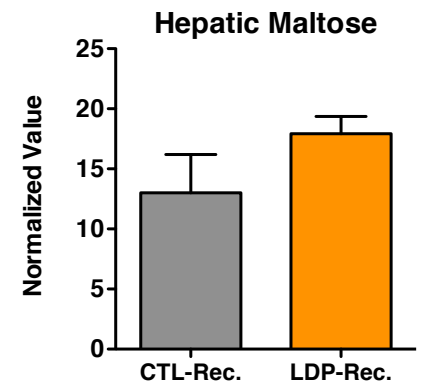
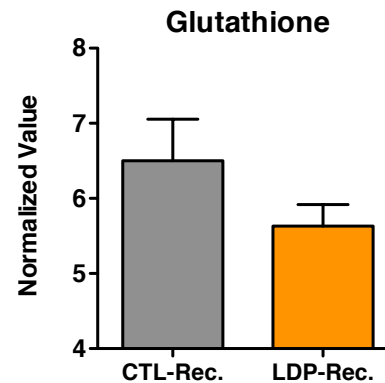
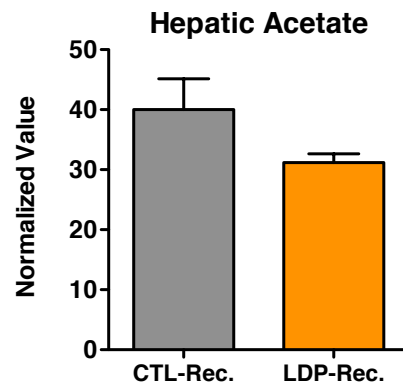
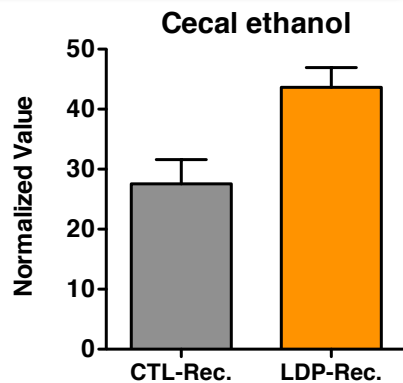
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Consistently altered metabolites

LDP-treated mice

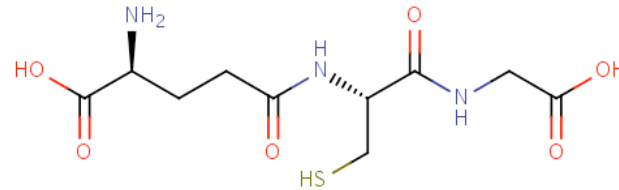


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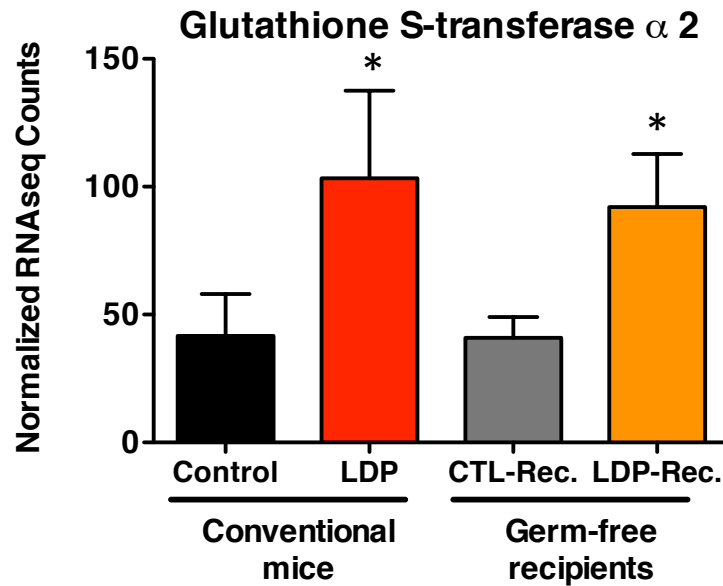


Variable importance projection >1

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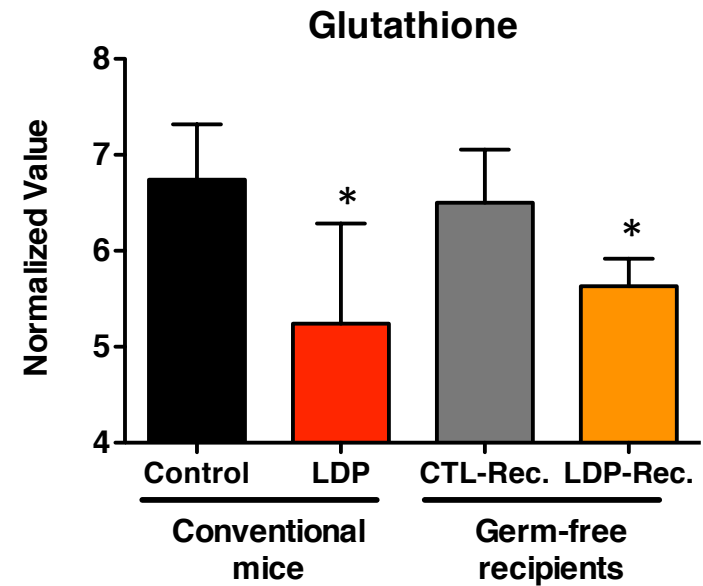


RNAseq



* FDR $p < 0.05$ by DeSeq

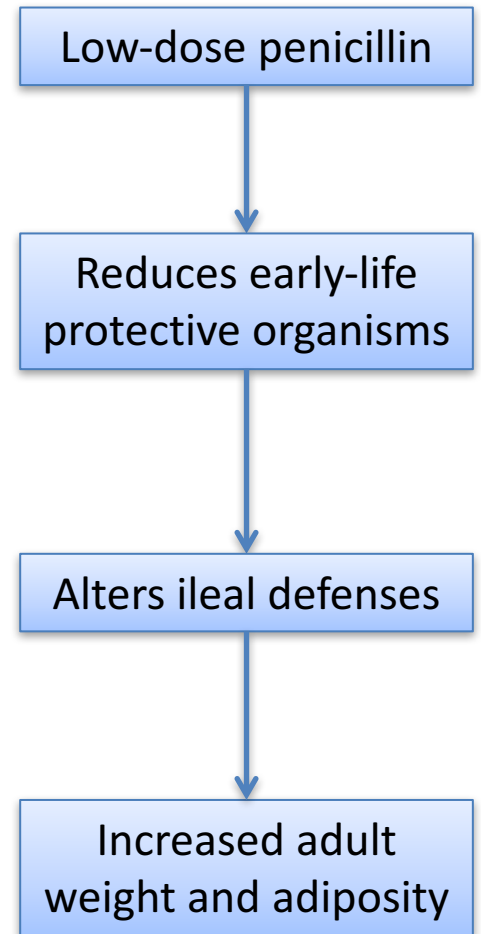
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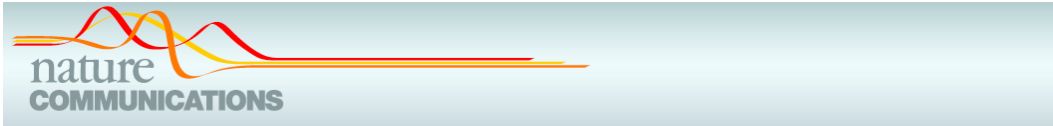
Key aspects of a model of microbe-induced obesity

- Infancy is a critical window of host-microbe metabolic interaction.
- Low-dose penicillin adds to high-fat diet metabolic alterations.
- Altered microbiota reduces markers of ileal defense and alters hepatic metabolites.
- The antibiotic-perturbed microbiota plays a causal role.
- There is a consistent reduction in particular bacteria.



Microbe-Induced Obesity
(MIO)

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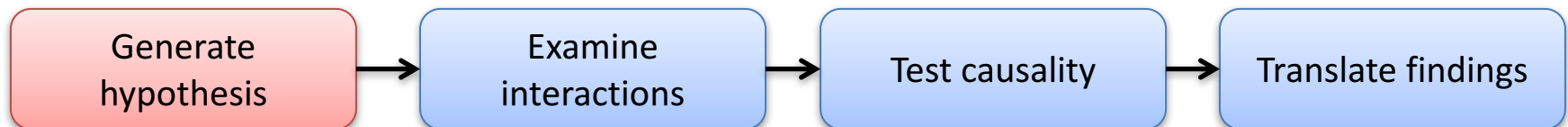
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Metabolic and metagenomic outcomes from early-life pulsed antibiotic treatment

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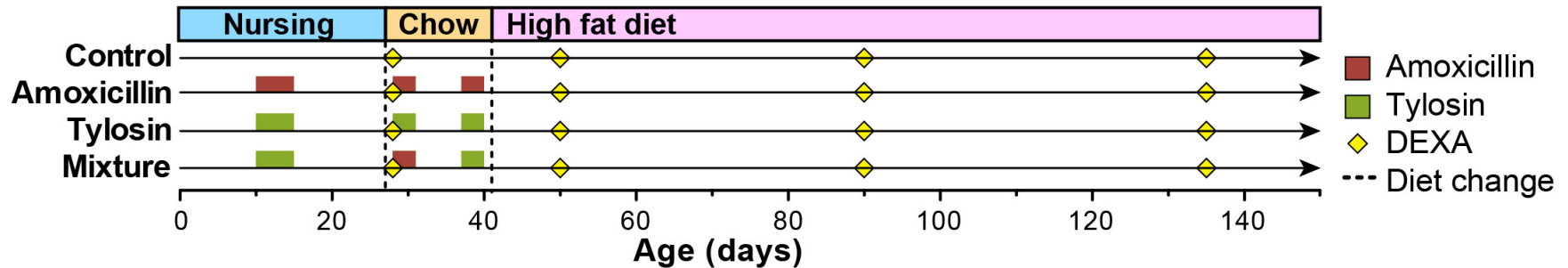
Outpatient antibiotic use, by age, 2010

Patient age group (years)	Number of prescriptions (millions)	Prescriptions /1000 people
0 - 1	16.6	1365
2 - 9	29.0	1021
10 - 19	28.9	677
20 - 39	55.4	669
40 - 64	81.6	797
≥ 65	41.1	1020
Total	258.0	833

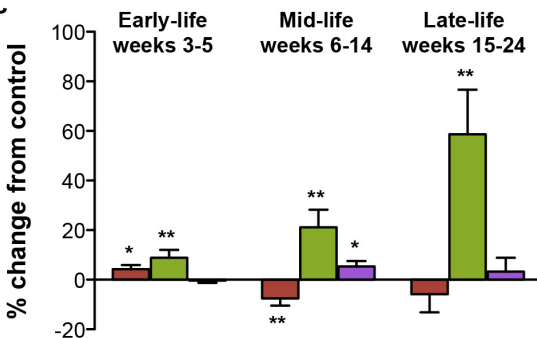
Most common classes:
Beta-lactam
Macrolide

Source: L Hicks, TH Taylor, RJ Hunkler. NEJM 2013, 368:1461.

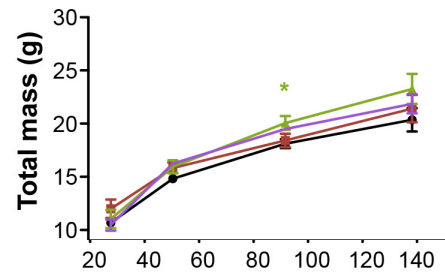
The effect of pulsed-antibiotic therapy (PAT) on body composition



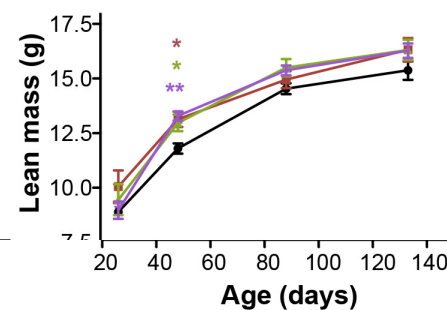
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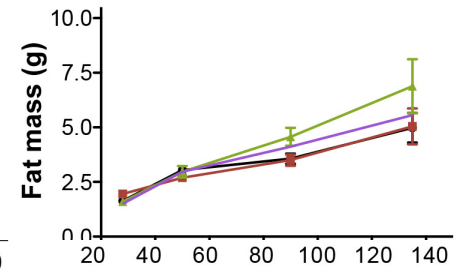
Total Mass



Lean Mass

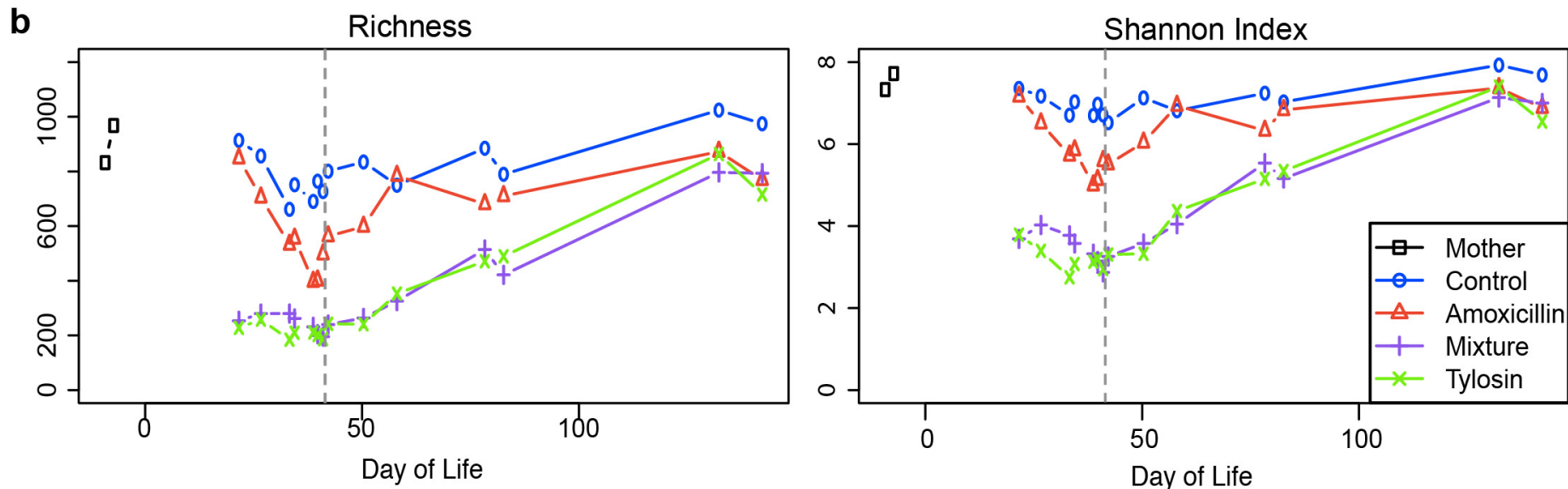
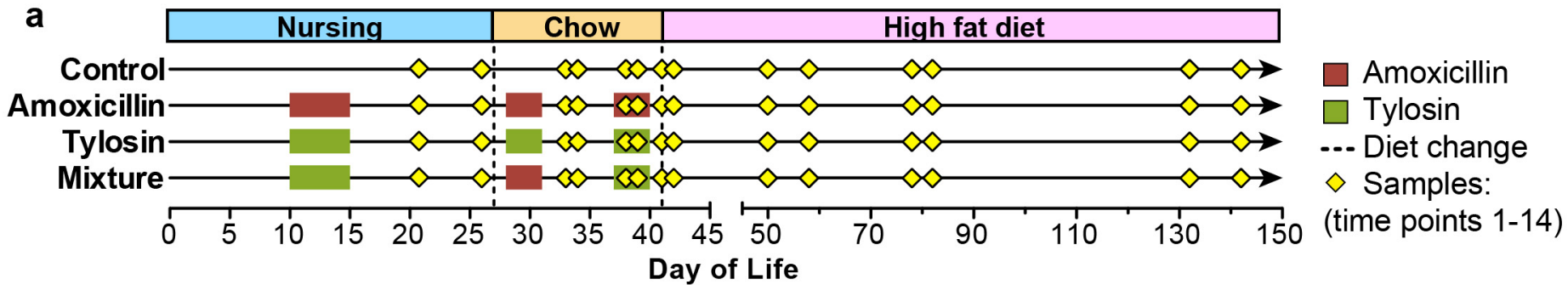


Fat Mass



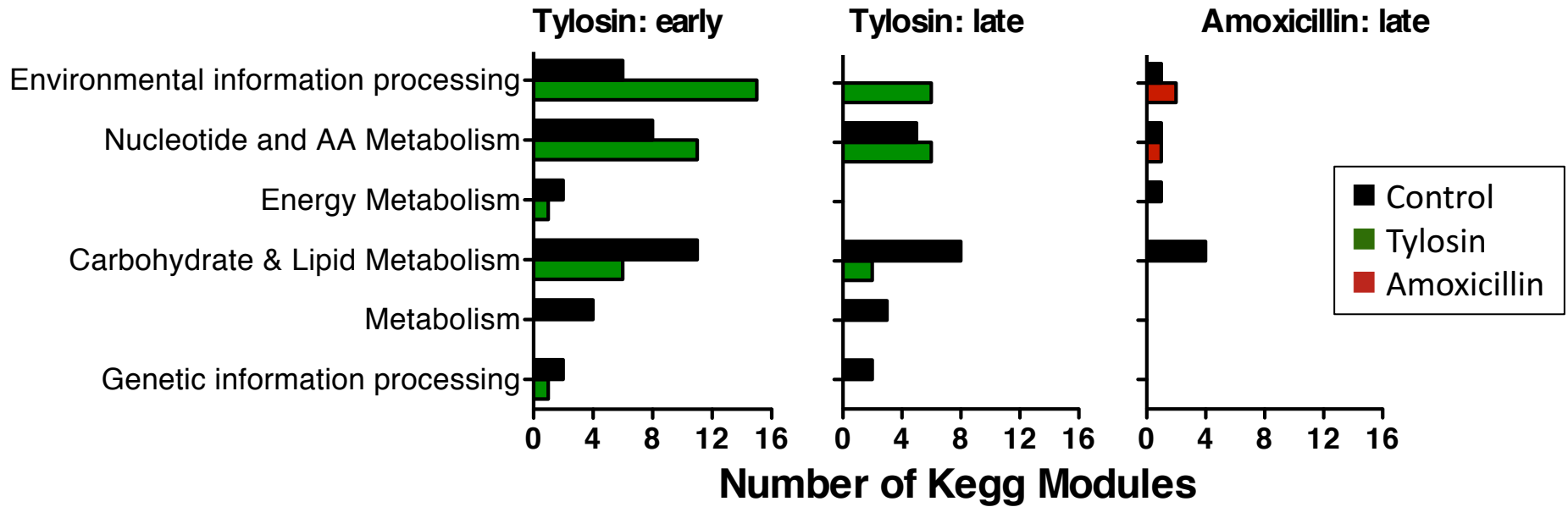
■ Control (n=6) ■ Amoxicillin (n=6) ■ Tylosin (n=7) ■ Mixture (n=8)

The effect of PAT on alpha diversity



(Nobel et. al, Nature Communications, 2015)

PAT alters the microbial metagenomic KEGG modules



Category/sub-category	KEGG Module	Tylosin Early	Tylosin Late	Amoxicillin late
Central carbohydrate metabolism	Glycolysis (Ebden Meyer pathway)	Down	Down	Down
	Entner-Doudoroff pathway	Up	Up	
	Pyruvate oxidation			Up
LPS synthesis	ADP-L-glycero-D-manno-heptose biosynthesis	Up	Up	Up
Metabolism	Aminoacyl-tRNA synthesis	Down	Down	Down
Environmental processing	Dipeptide transport system	Up	Up	Up

Early-life microbiota and Type 1 Diabetes

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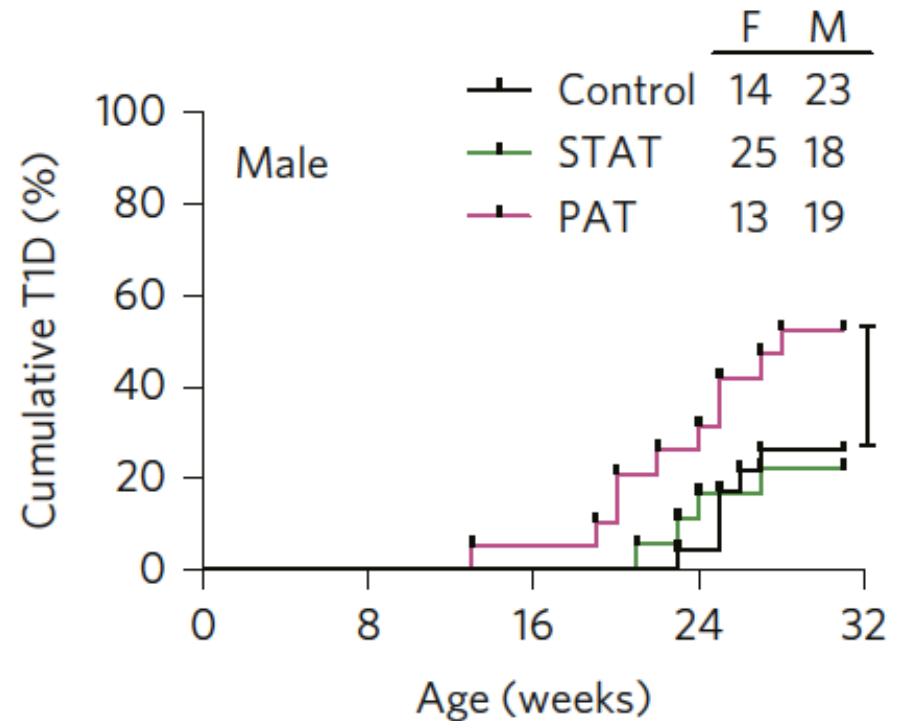
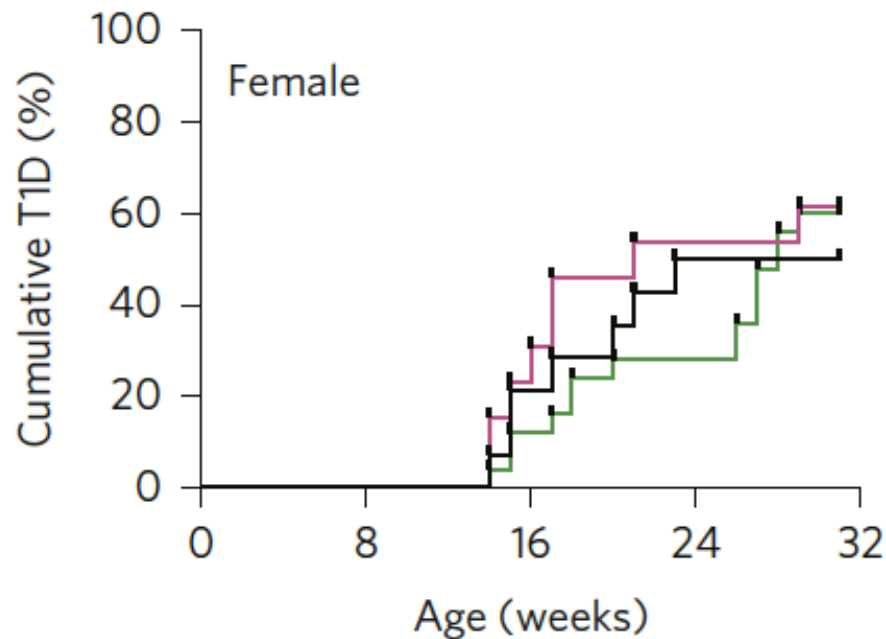
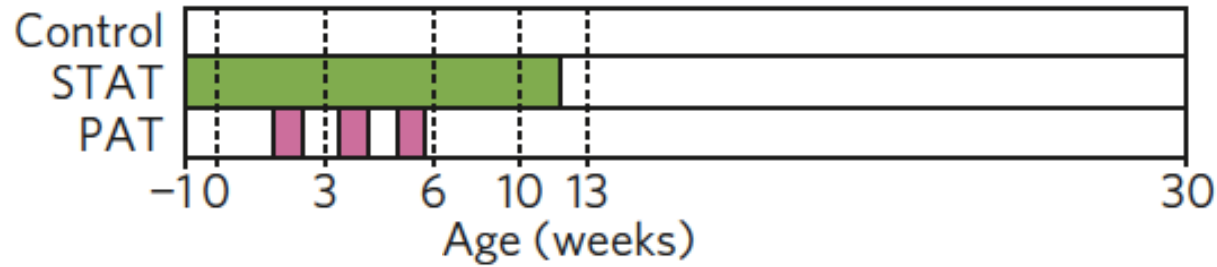
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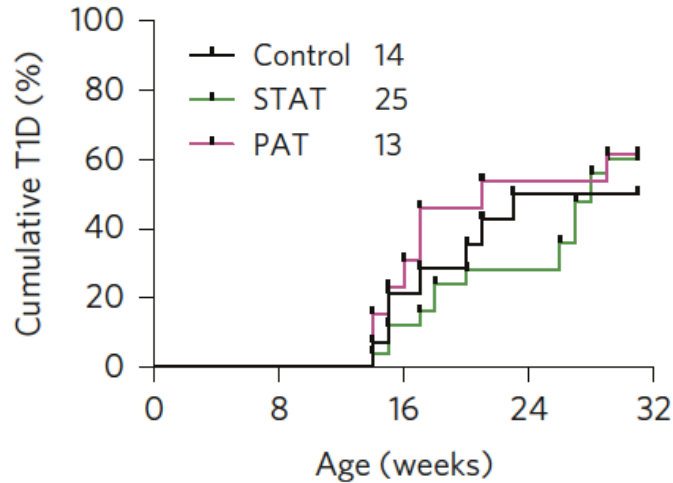
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PAT alters diabetes incidence in NOD mice

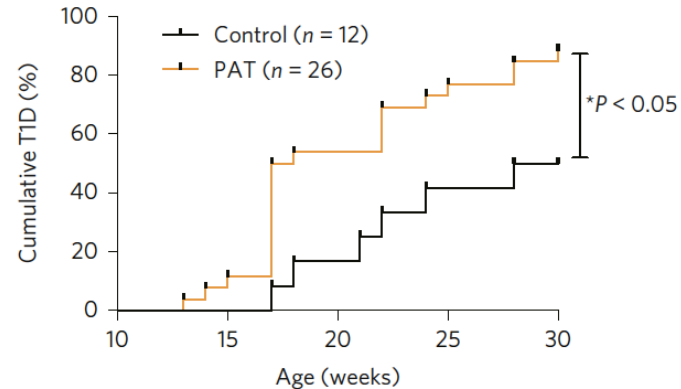


Environment alters antibiotic response in female NOD mice

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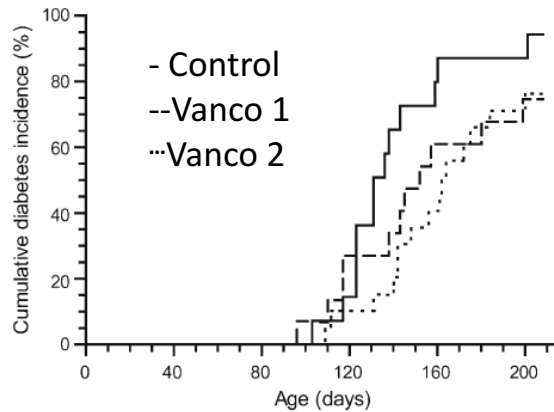


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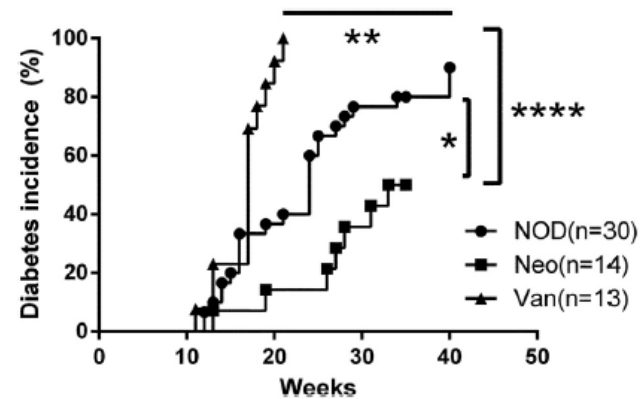
Livanos, Nature Microbiol, 2016

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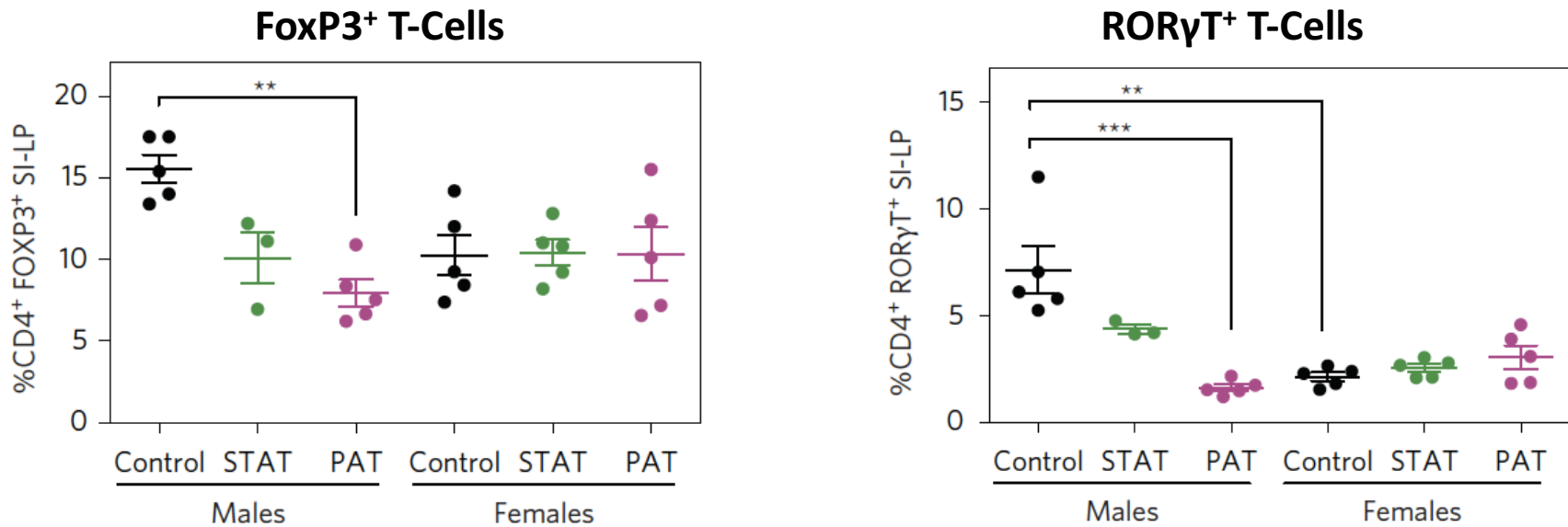
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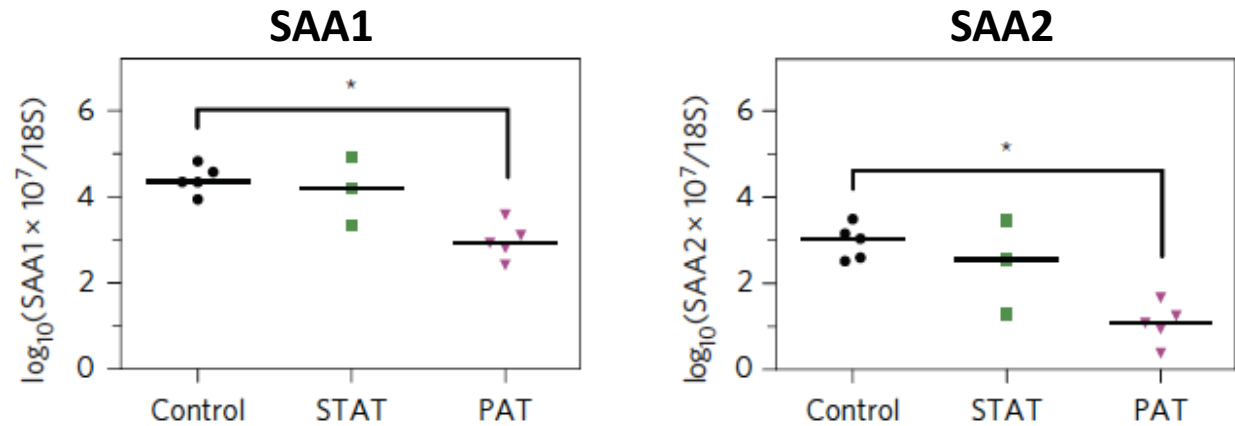


Hu, J Autoimmunity, 2016

The effect of PAT on intestinal immunity



RNAseq top hit:
Serum amyloid-alpha

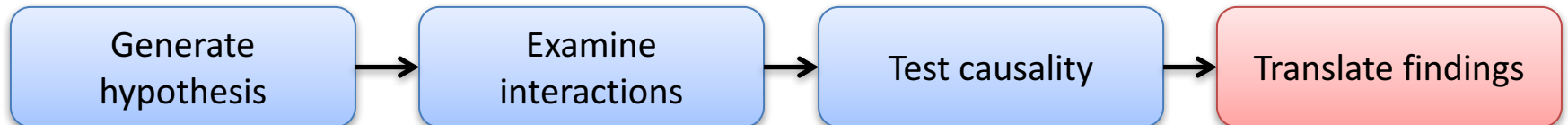


Key aspects of pulsed antibiotic treatment (PAT)

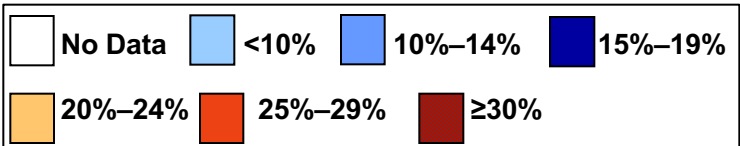
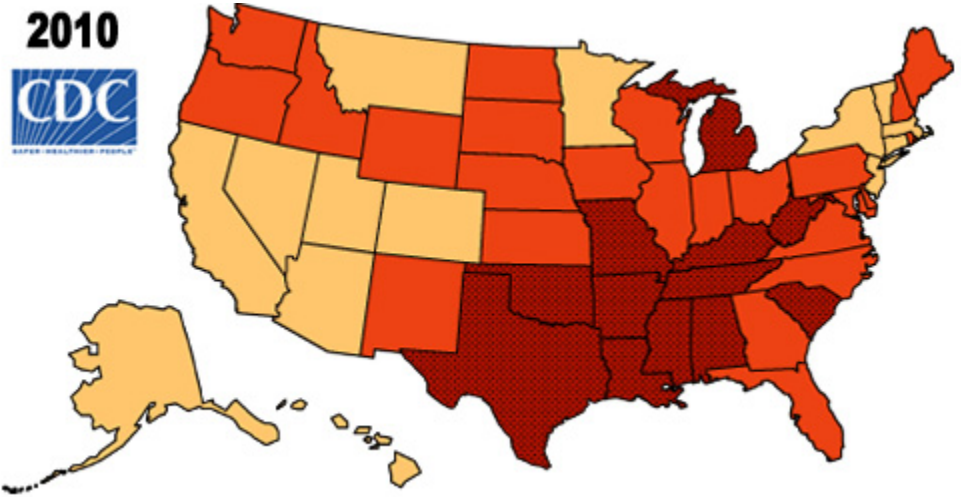
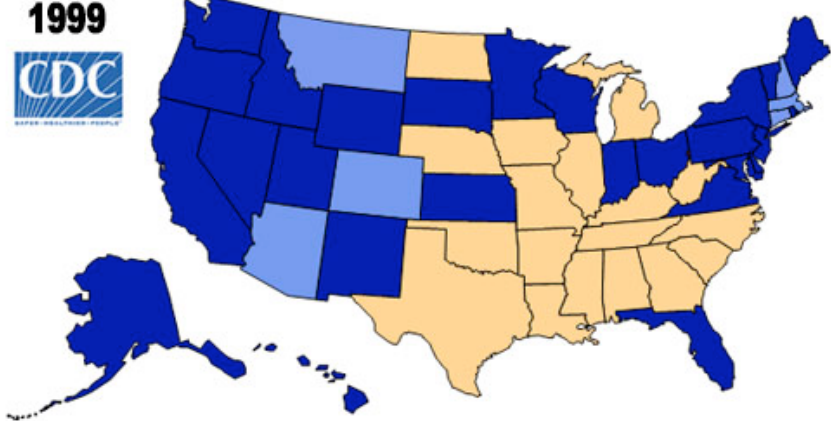
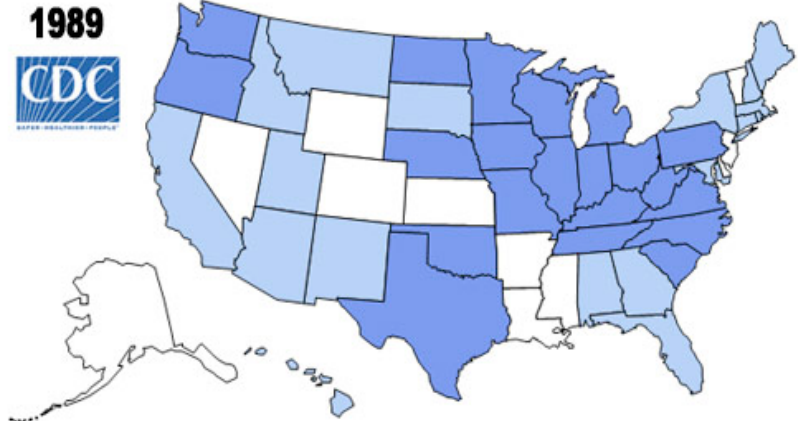
- Both macrolide and beta-lactam exposure can increase growth rate and lean mass, but to a lesser extent than sub-therapeutic antibiotic treatment (STAT)
- PAT produces lasting changes in microbial diversity that do not recover 100 days after antibiotic cessation.
- The macrolide antibiotic more severely impacts microbiota diversity than the beta-lactam.
- PAT, but not STAT, increases diabetes incidence in NOD mice, with variable effects in different facilities
- PAT decreases markers of intestinal immunity

Translation to humans:

Population studies

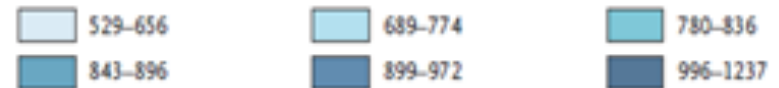
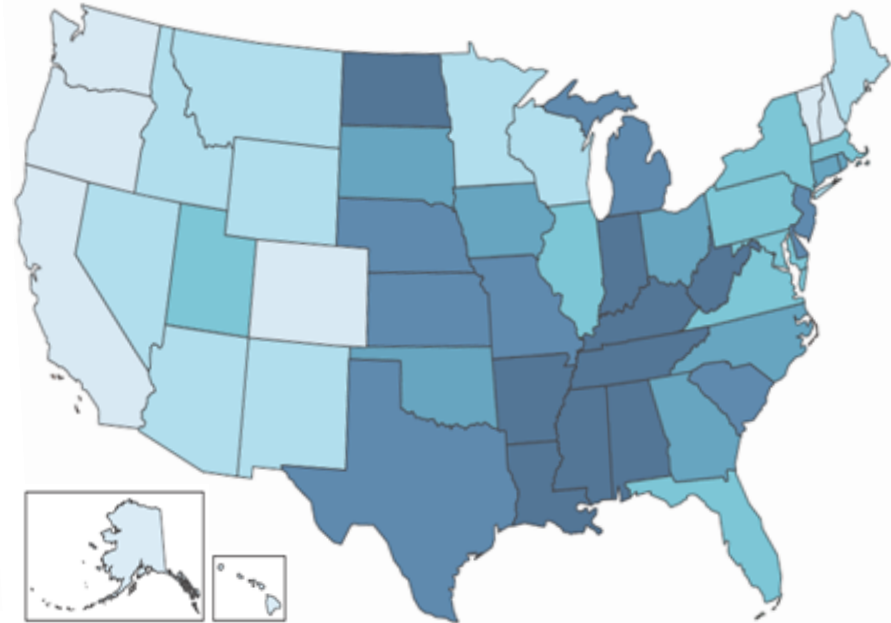
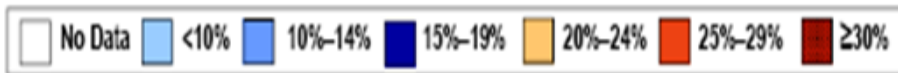
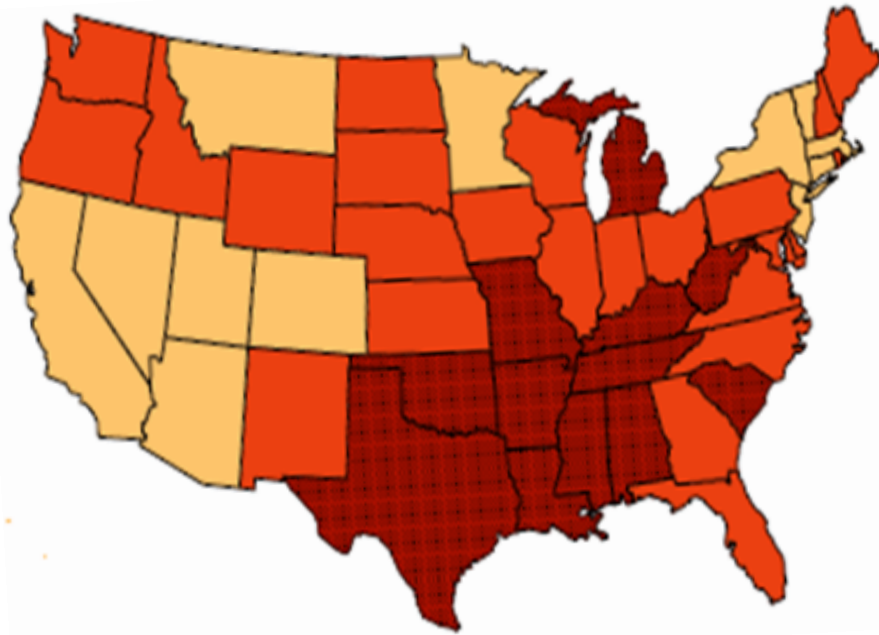


Obesity trends in US adults: changing physiology



Source: CDC Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

Comparisons between the geography of obesity and antibiotic use, 2010



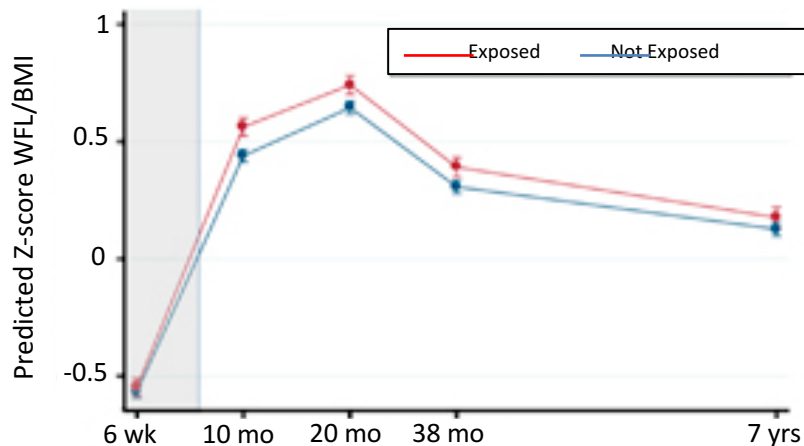
Antibiotic prescriptions per 1000 persons, 2010

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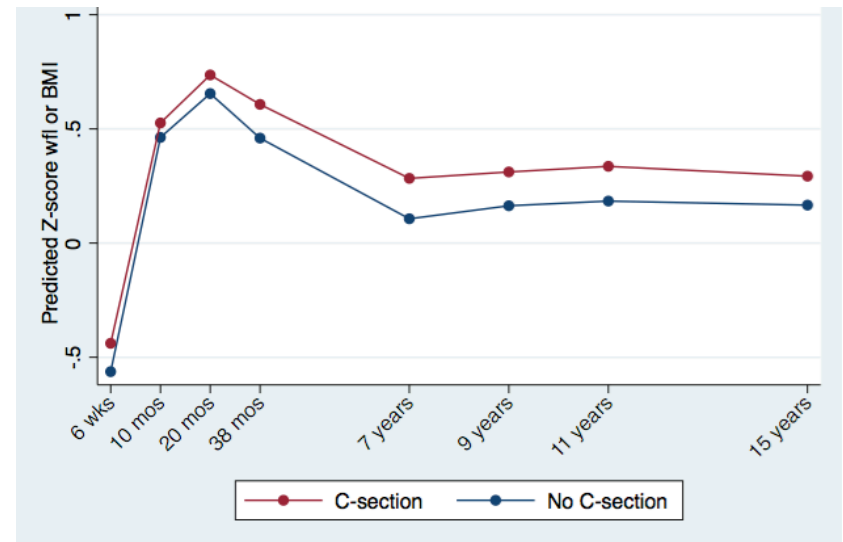
Early life microbiome disruption is associated with weight gain in humans

Avon Longitudinal Study of Parents and Children: > 10,000 Children

Antibiotic exposure in first 6 months



Delivery by Cesarean-section

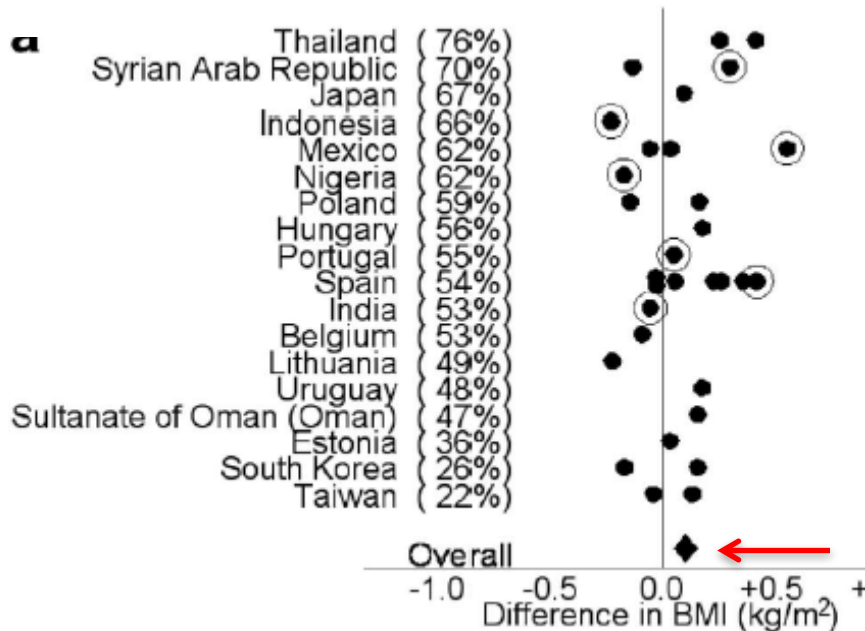


Early-life antibiotics and weight

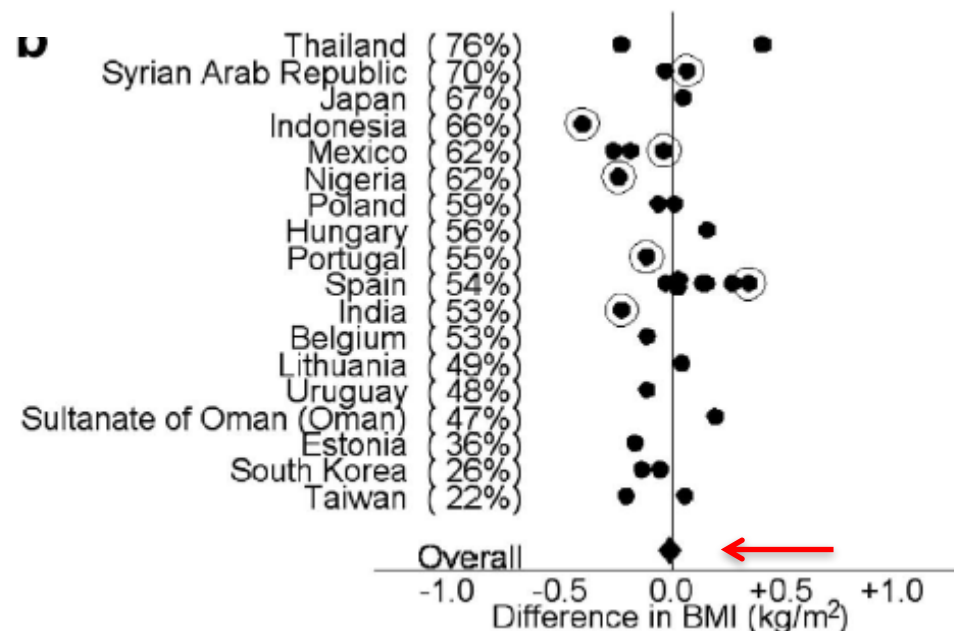
Study	# Subjects	Association	Reference
Danish National Birth Cohort	>28,000	Antibiotics in the first 6 months increased overweight risk at 7 years	Ajslev, Int J Obes, 2011
Avon Longitudinal Study of Parents and Children	>10,000	Antibiotics in the first 6 months associated with higher weight at 38 months	Trasande, Int J Obes, 2012
		Delivery by C-section increased risk of over weight	Blustein, Int J Obes, 2013
Canadian longitudinal birth cohort	>400	Antibiotics increased risk of overweight at 12 years in boys	Azad, Int J Obes, 2014
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	>64,000	Early broad-spectrum antibiotics associated with obesity	Bailey, JAMA Pediatr, 2014
International cross-sectional study	>74,000	Early-antibiotics associated with higher weight in boys	Murphy, Int J Obes, 2013

Antibiotic treatment during infancy and increased body mass index in boys: an international cross-sectional study

Boys

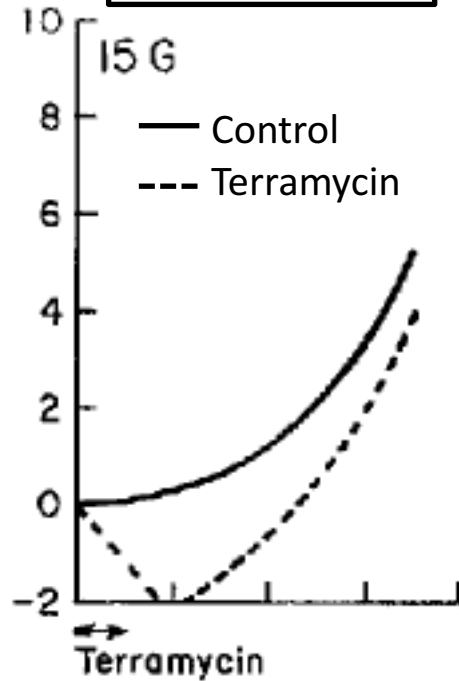


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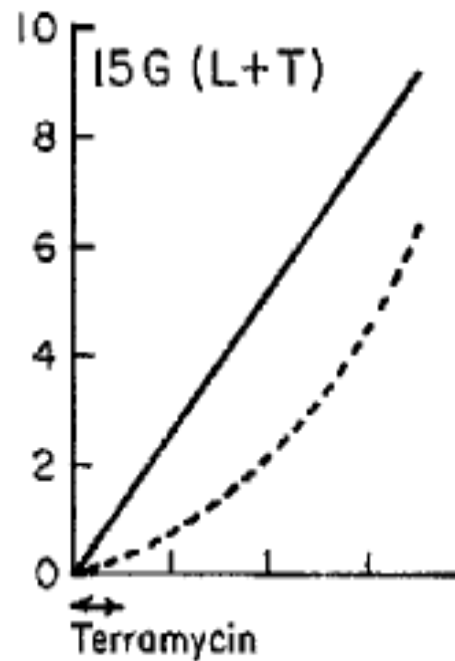


Early studies on antibiotics and weight

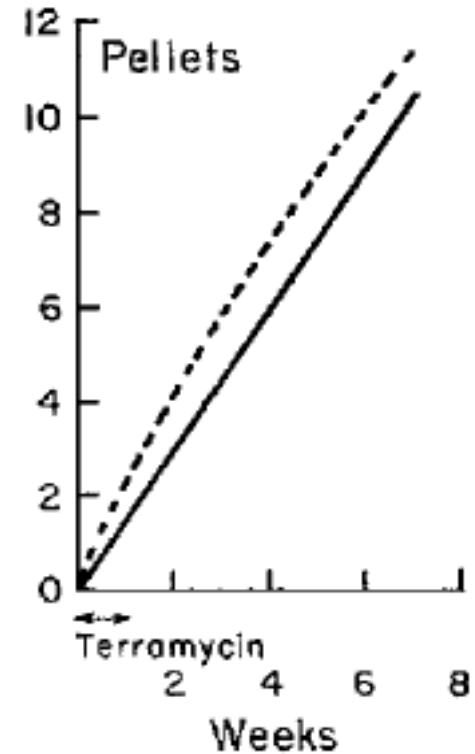
Gluten sole protein source



Gluten + lysine and threonine



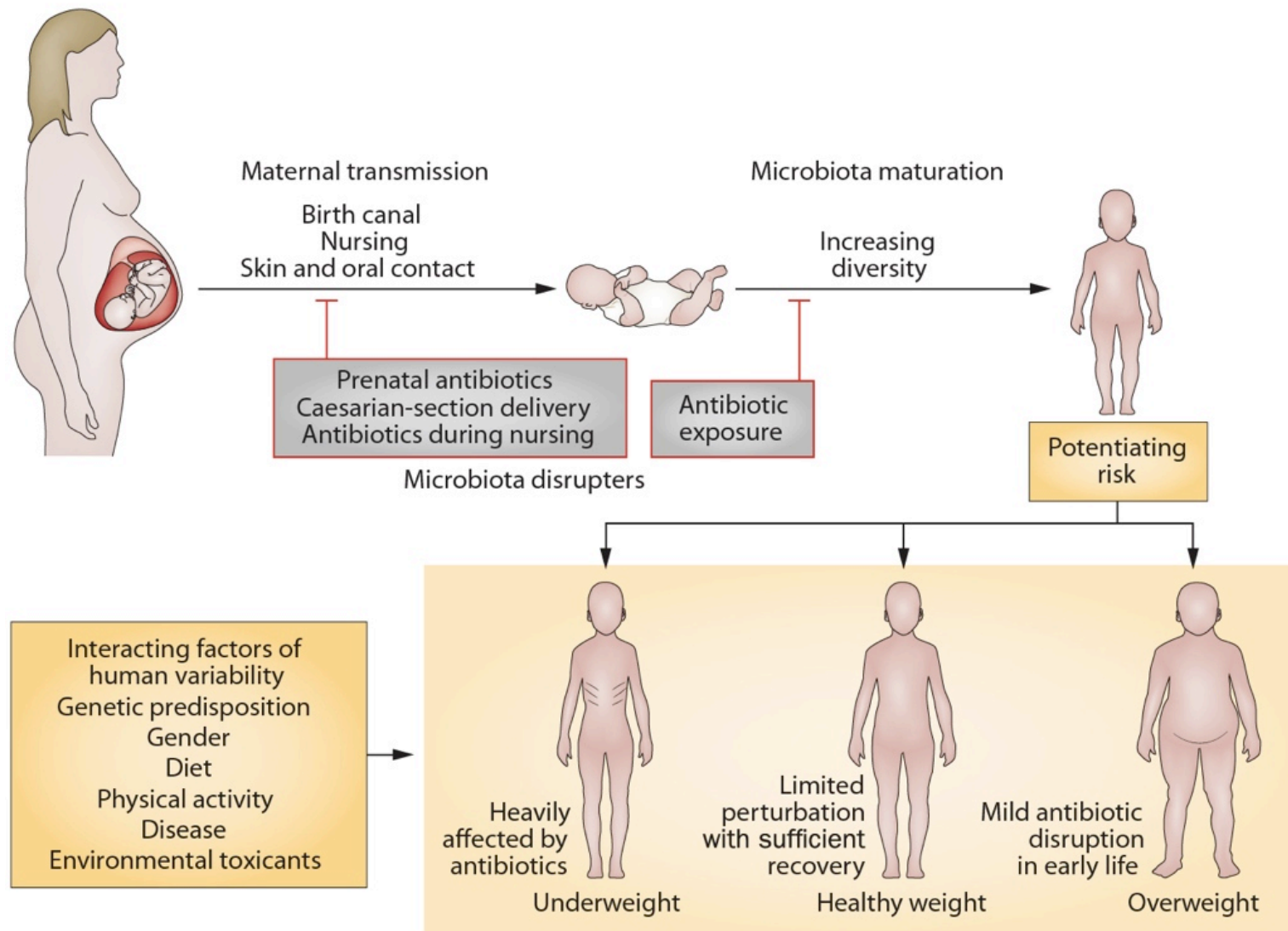
Complex protein mixture



Weight gain or loss dependent on:

- Antibiotic dose
- Mouse strain
- Mouse diet

Antibiotics in early life and obesity



Early-life microbiota and diabetes

Study Population	# Subjects	Association	Reference
Meta-analysis of 20 studies	9,938 cases	20% increased risk of T1D in children delivered by C-section	Cardwell, Diabetologia 2008
Denmark case-control	1,578 cases	Increased risk of T1D with 5 courses of antibiotics, especially linked to broad spectrum antibiotics	Mikkelsen, Diabet Med, 2016
Denmark	5.6 million subjects	Increased risk of T2D with past antibiotic exposure, greater association with multiple courses	Mikkelsen, J Endocrinol Metab 2015
Danish Nationwide cohort	858,201 children, 1503 cases	Broad-spectrum antibiotics in the first two years of life increased the risk of T1D in children delivered by C-section (suggests a double-hit increases risk)	Clausen, PlosOne 2016

Translational challenges and opportunities:

Prevention

- Focus on antibiotic stewardship:
 - Immune system is under developed, thus infants are more susceptible to serious bacterial infections, but early-life microbiota disruption can have lasting effects
- Encourage the use of narrow spectrum antibiotics

Diagnosis

- Develop diagnostic tools to screen the microbiome to predict patients at risk for developing a microbiome related disease.
- Identify bacteria in the human population that can shape metabolism.

Treatment

- Timing is critical for post-antibiotic restoration strategies
- Options: prebiotics, probiotics, microbiota transfer, antibiotics
- Create evidence-based clinical guidelines and evaluate microbiome therapeutic efficacy
- Weigh the severity of infection/dysbiosis with the risk of the therapeutic intervention

Partial restoration of the microbiota of Cesarean-born infants via vaginal microbiota transfer

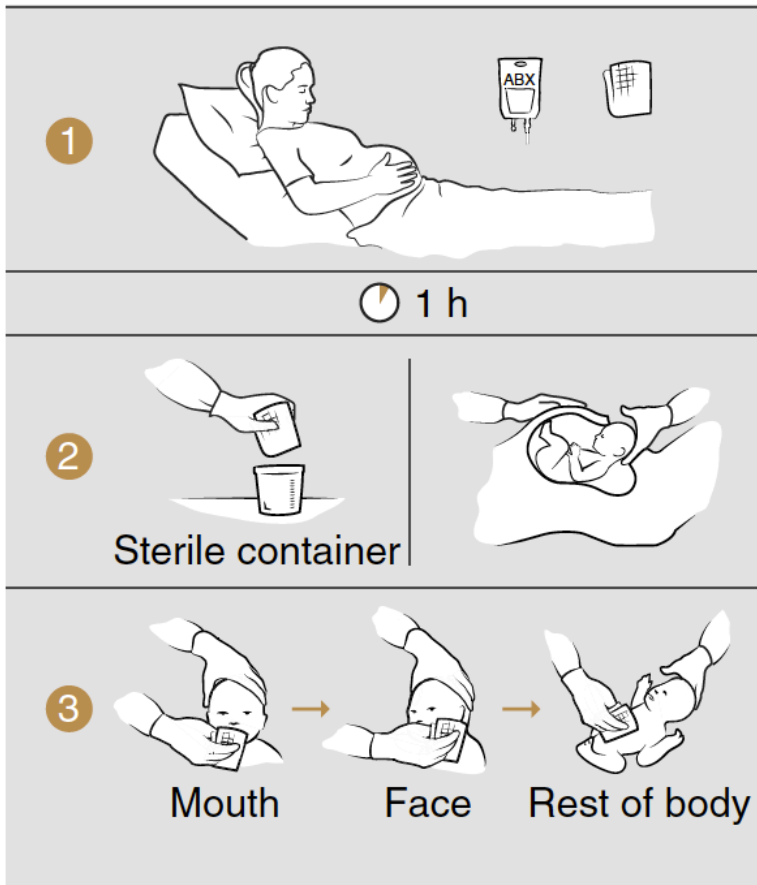
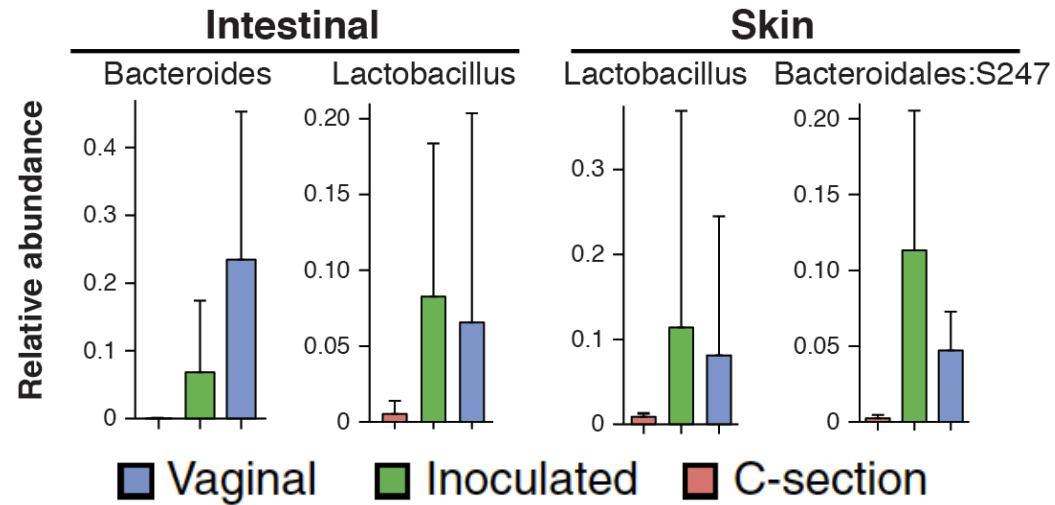


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Important Considerations:

- Screen mothers for known neonatal pathogens
- Long-term effects are unknown

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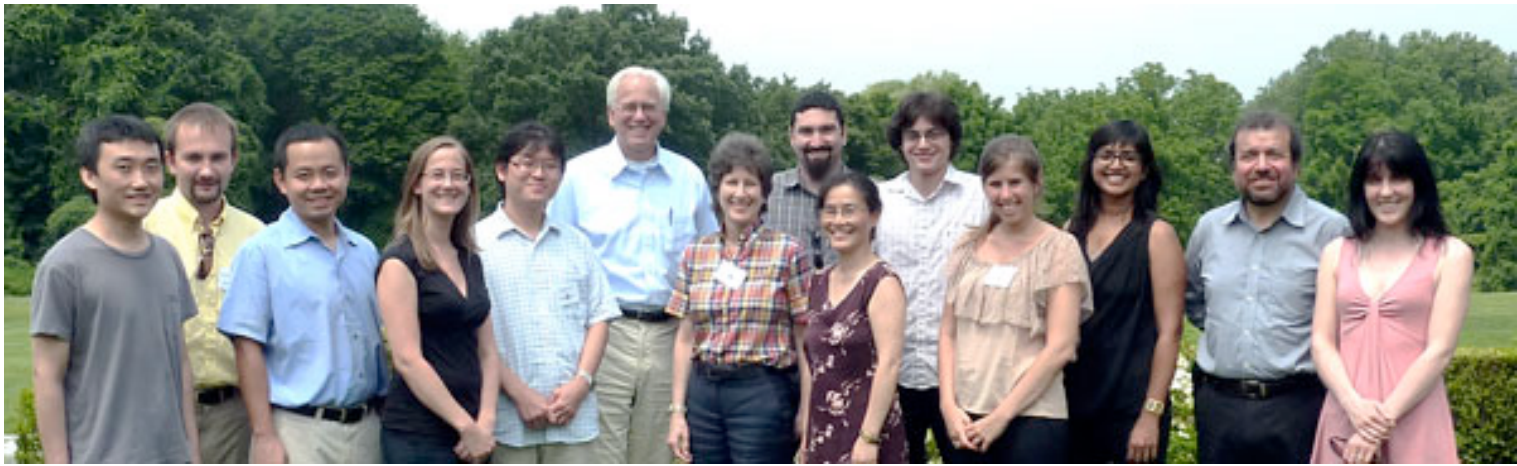
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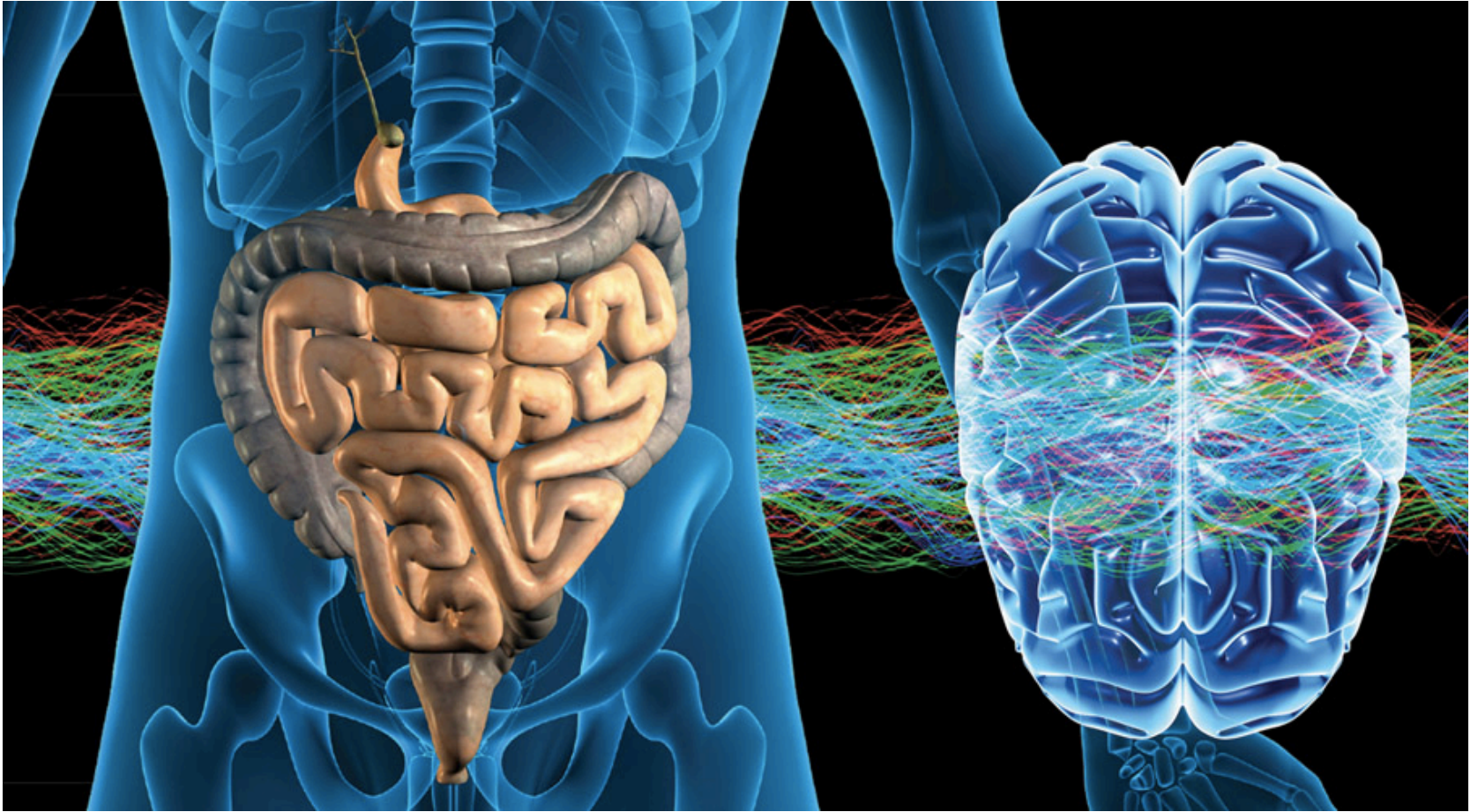
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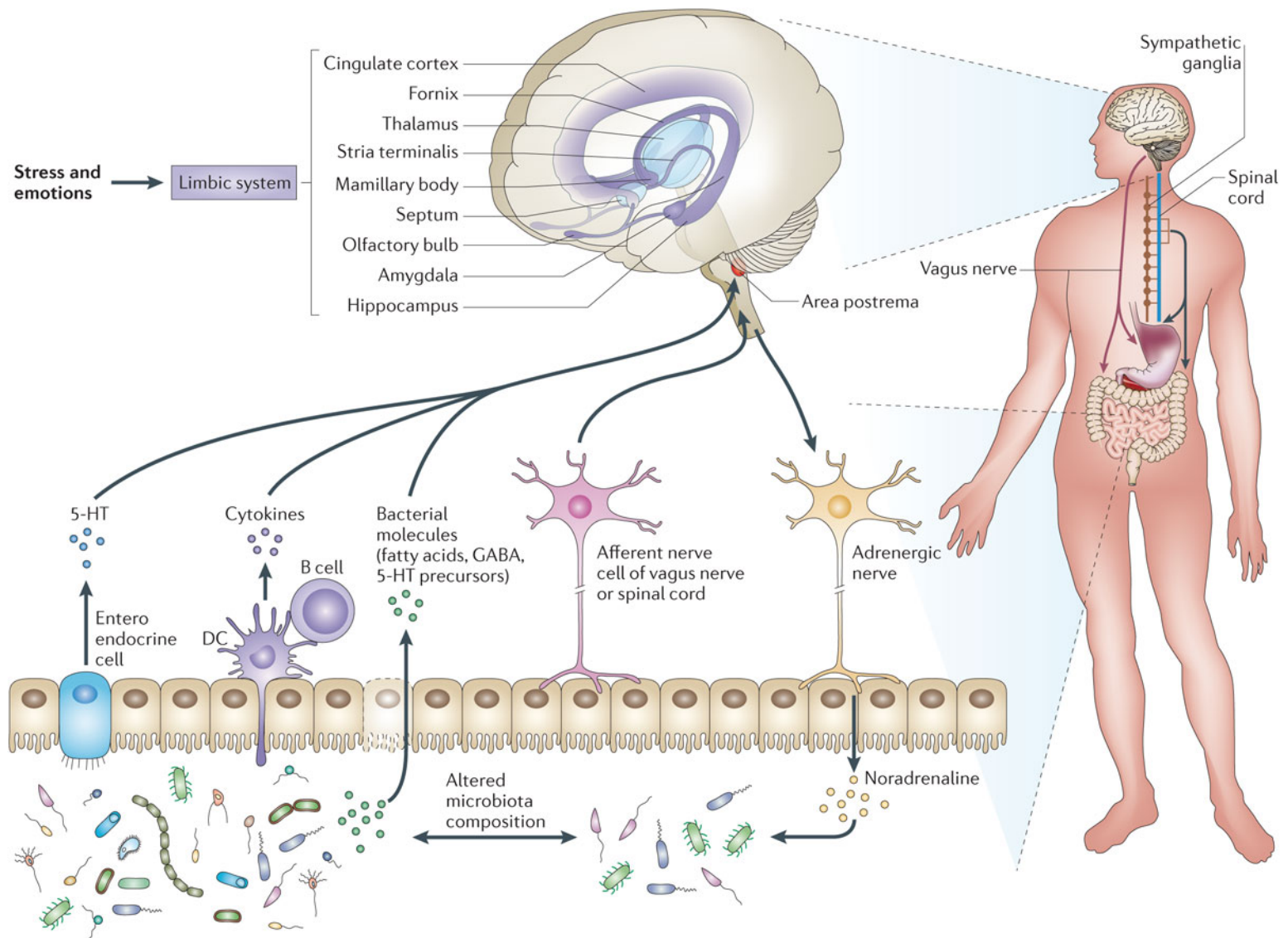
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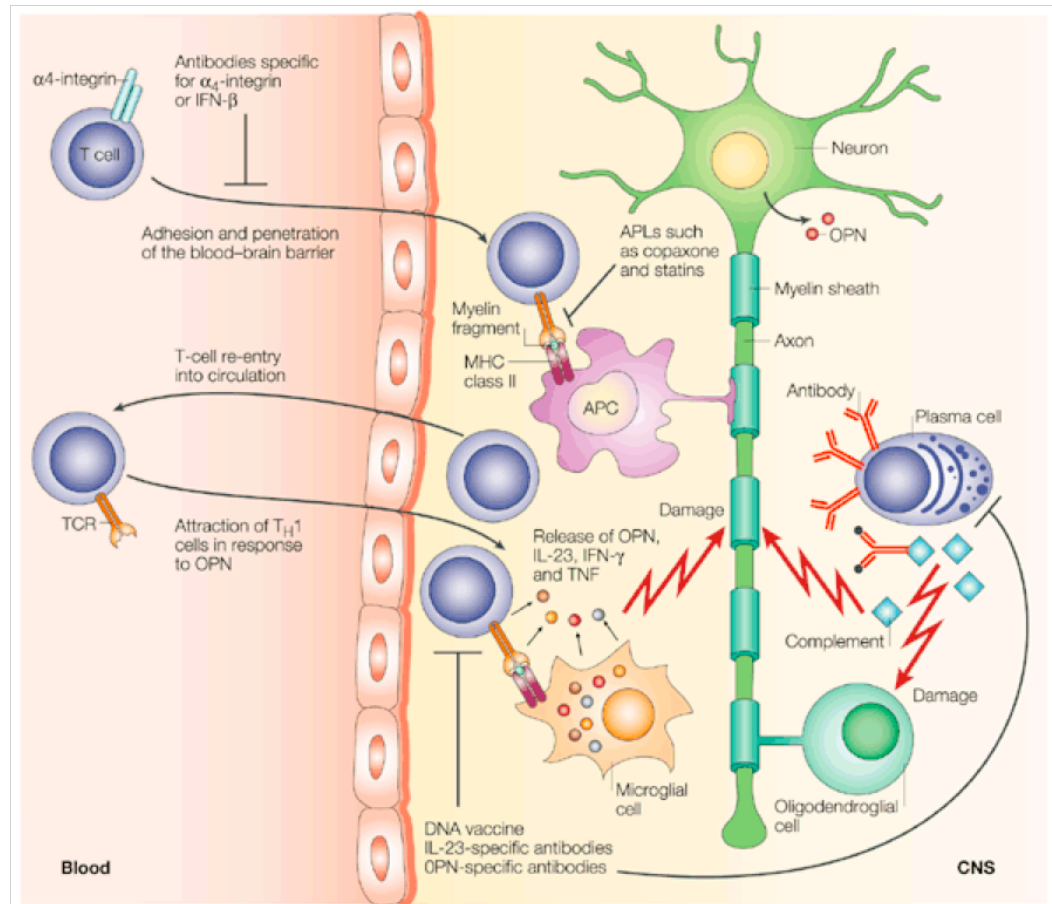
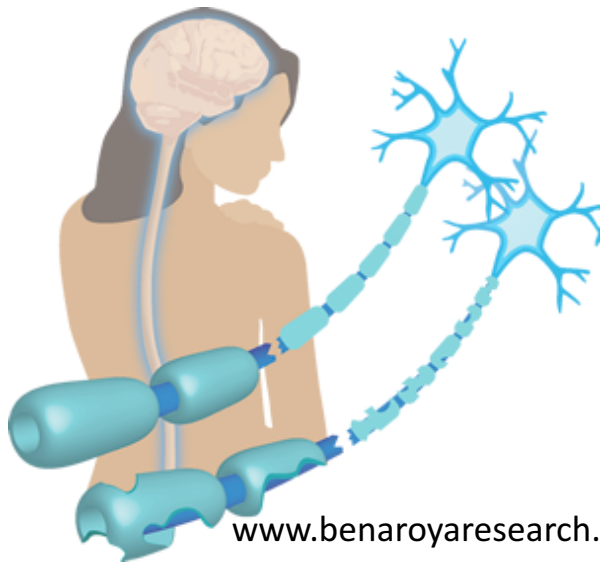
Microbiota-Gut Brain Interactions



Collins et al., Nat Rev Microbiol, 2012



Multiple Sclerosis

An immune-mediated demyelinating disease of the central nervous system





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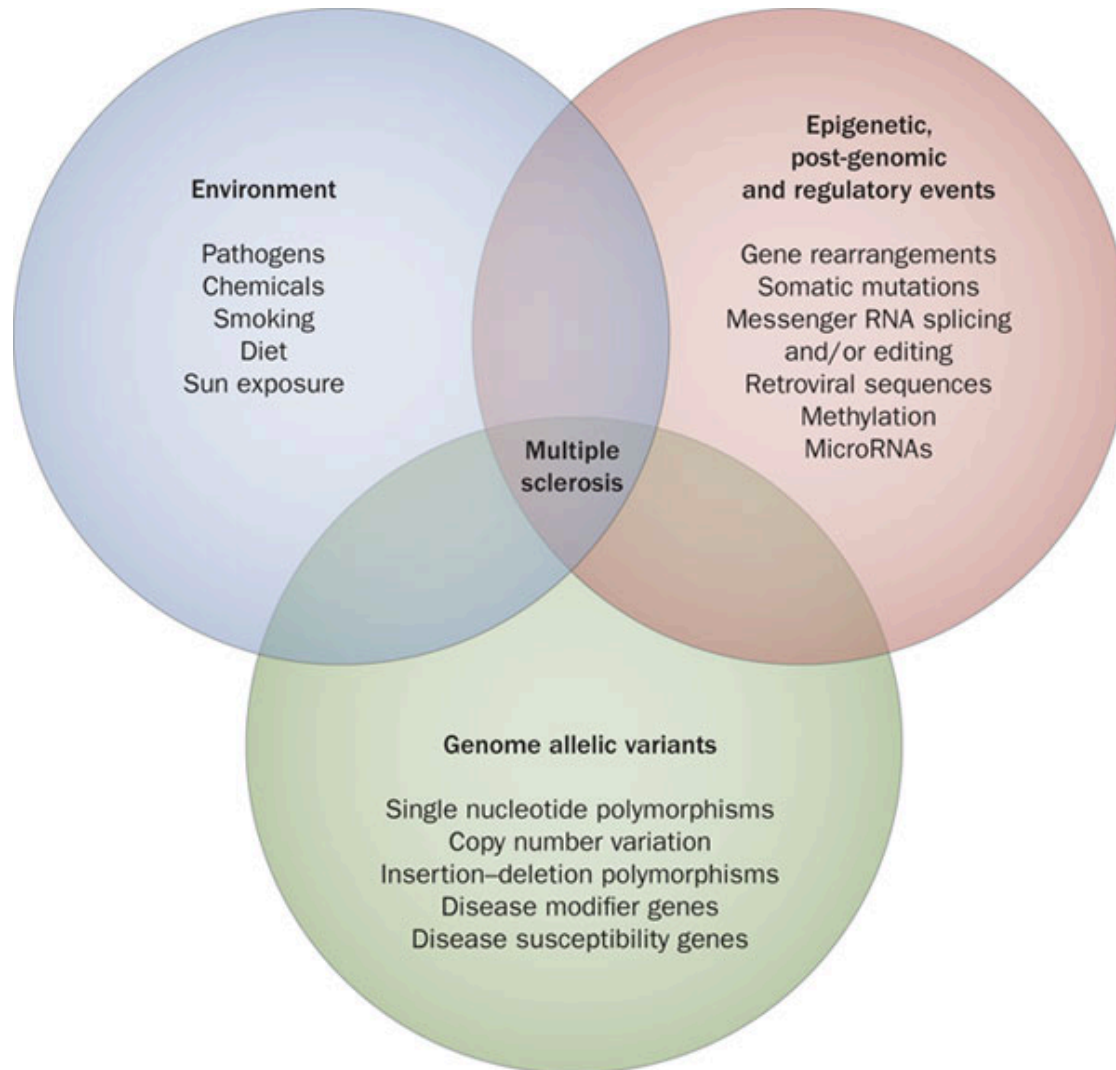
Pathogenesis

-  Th1 → IFN- γ
-  Th17 → IL-17

Recovery

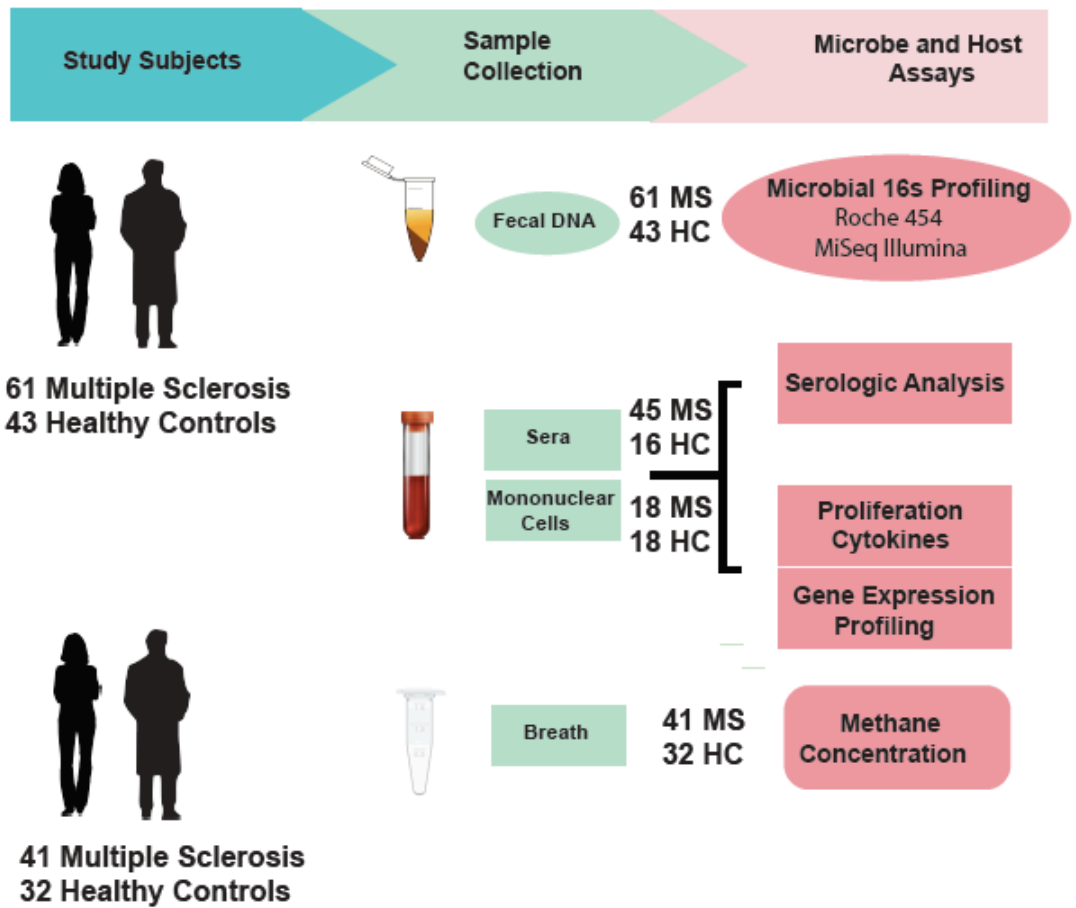
-  Foxp3⁺ Treg → IL-10
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Environmental, Genetic, and Epigenetic Risk Factors for Multiple Sclerosis



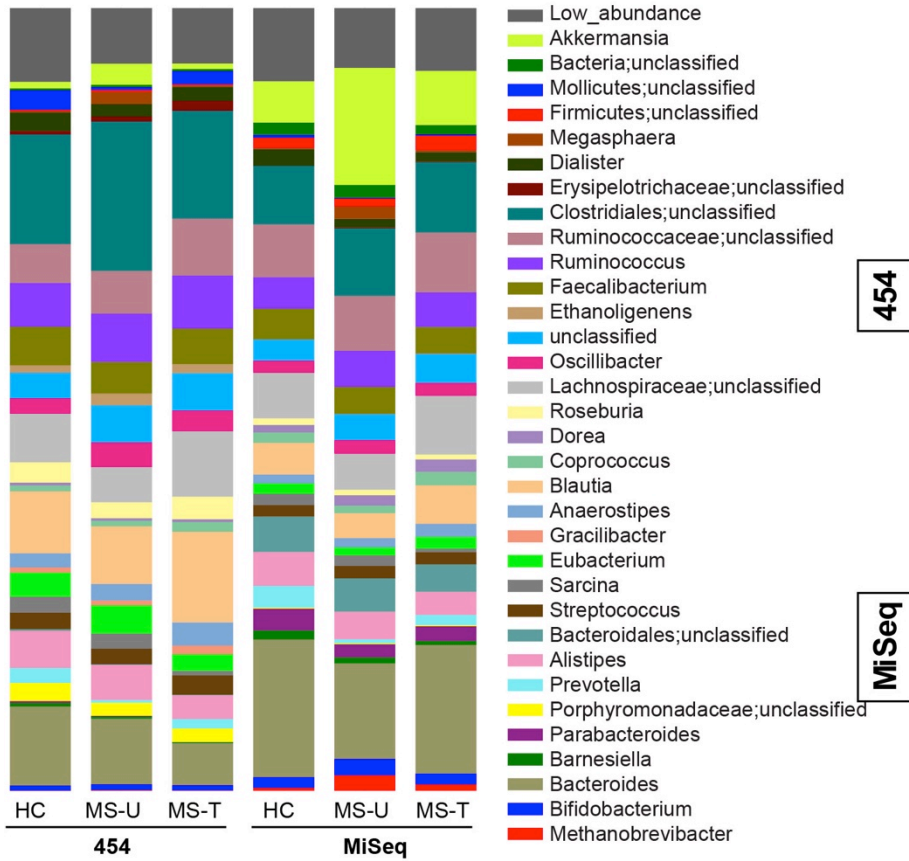
Alterations of the human gut microbiome in multiple sclerosis

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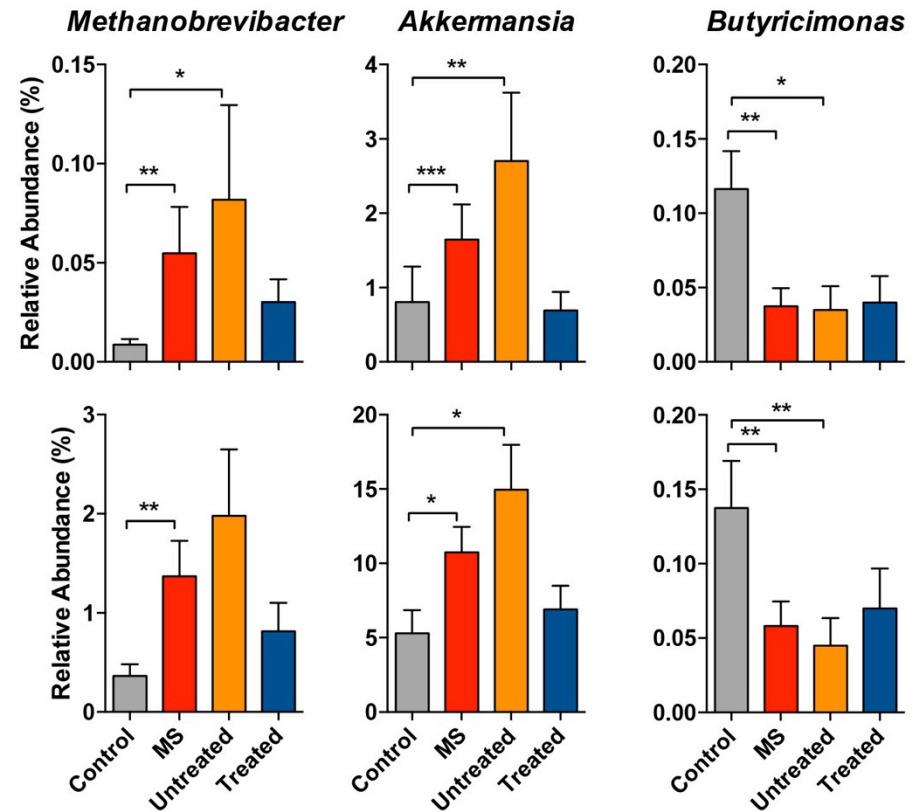


(S. Jangi et. al., Nat. Comm, 2016)

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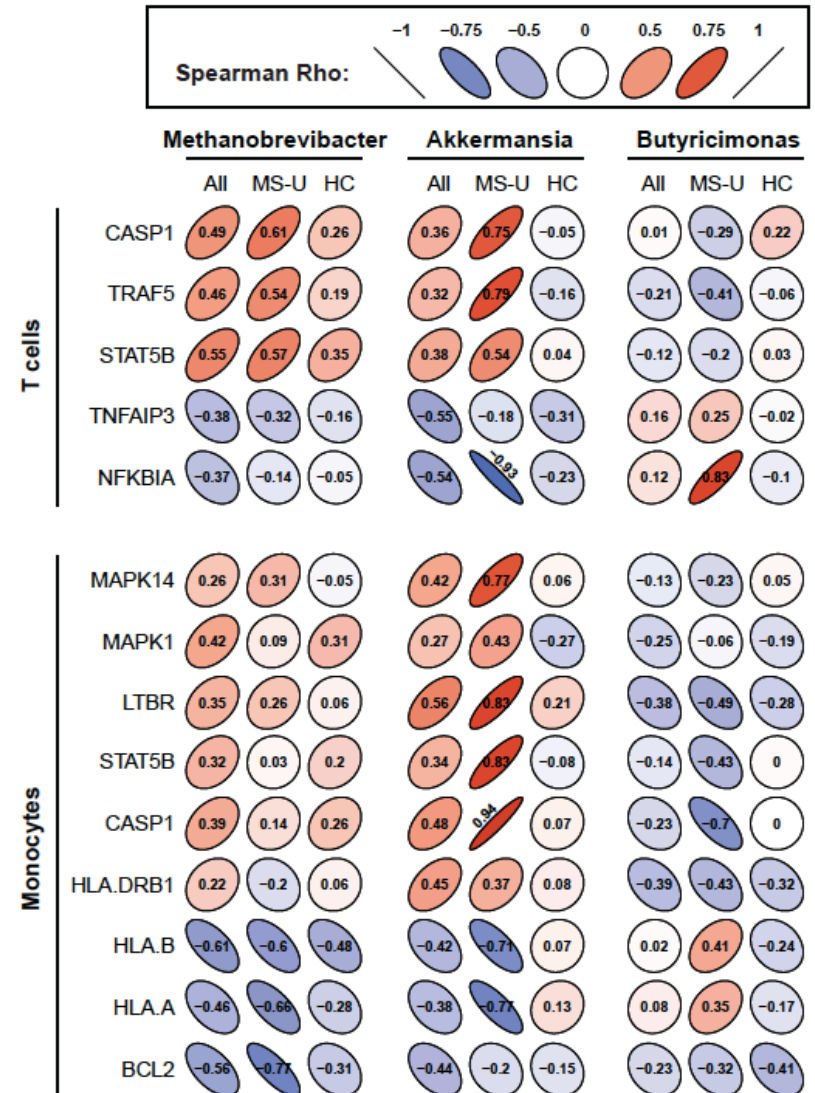
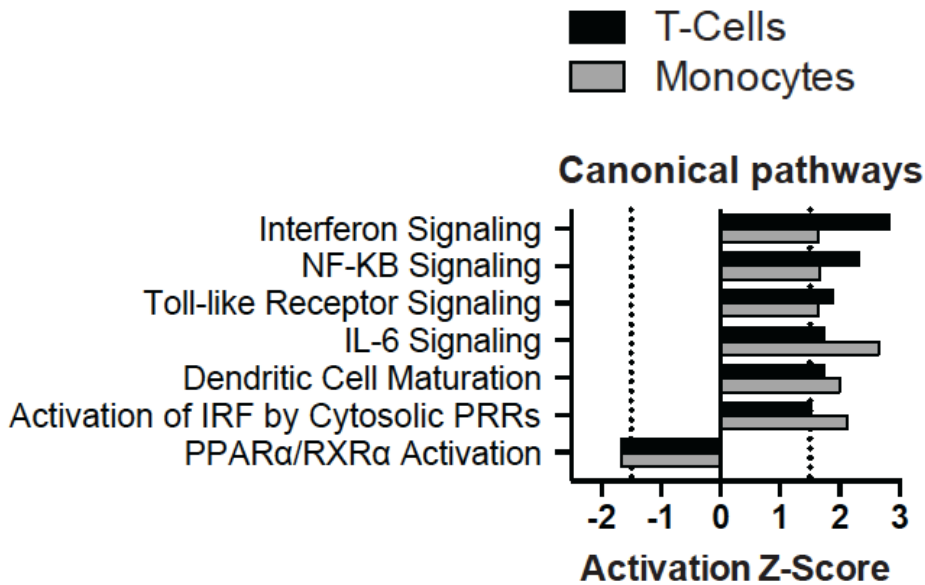


MS disease related changes



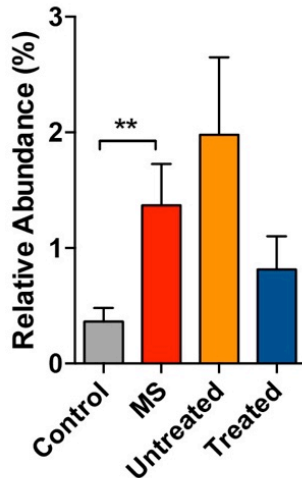
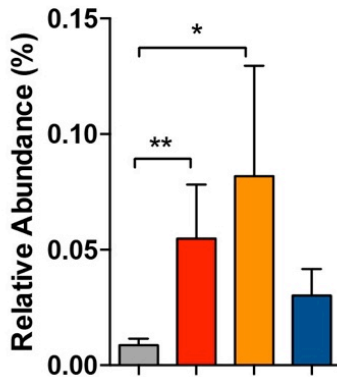
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Microbiome-Immune Associations



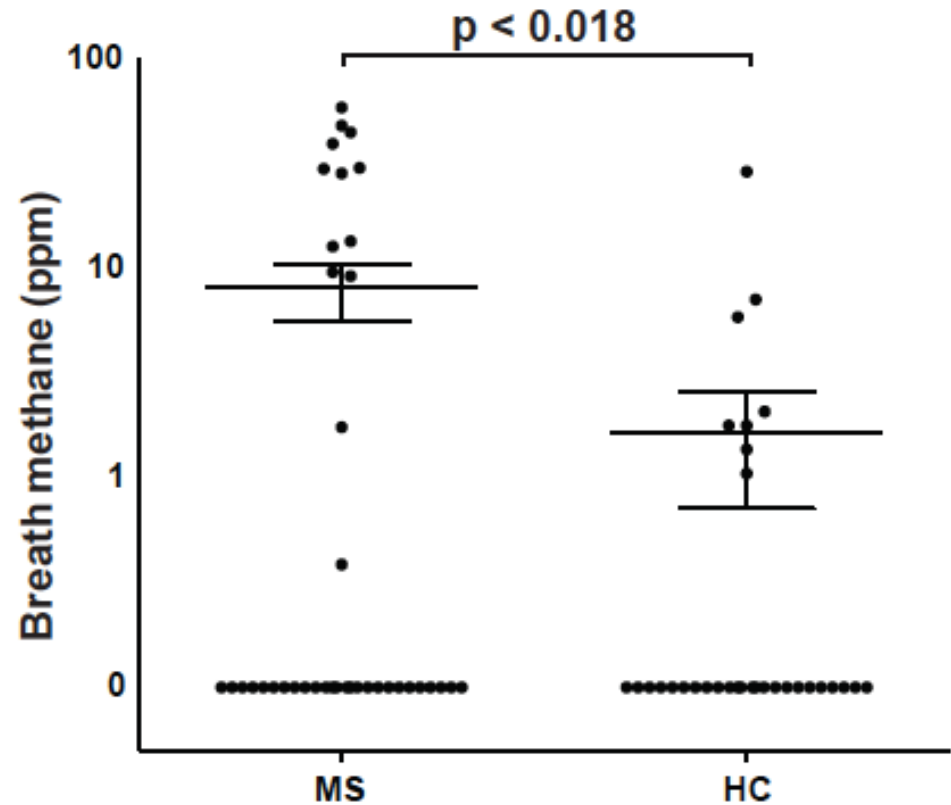
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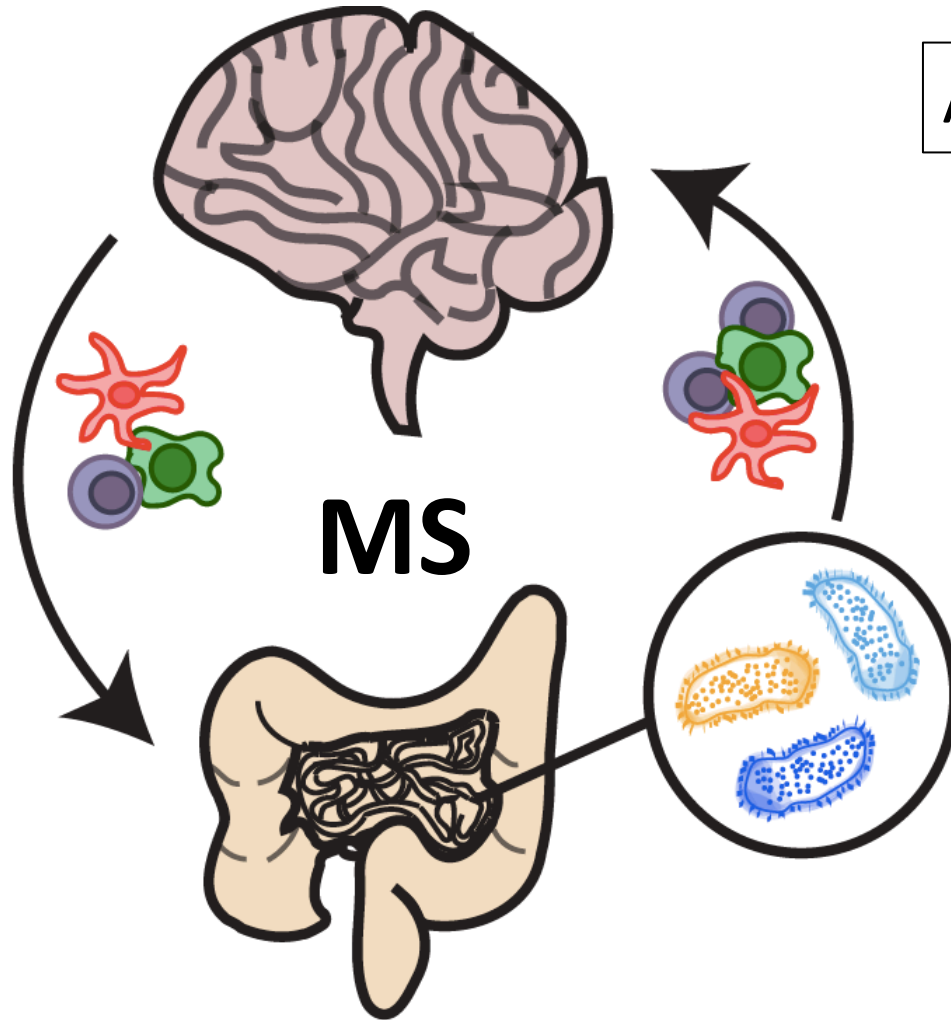


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MS Microbiome and Peripheral Immune Response



Altered Immune Responses

TNF, IL-6, NF- κ B signaling increased in peripheral T-cells and monocytes

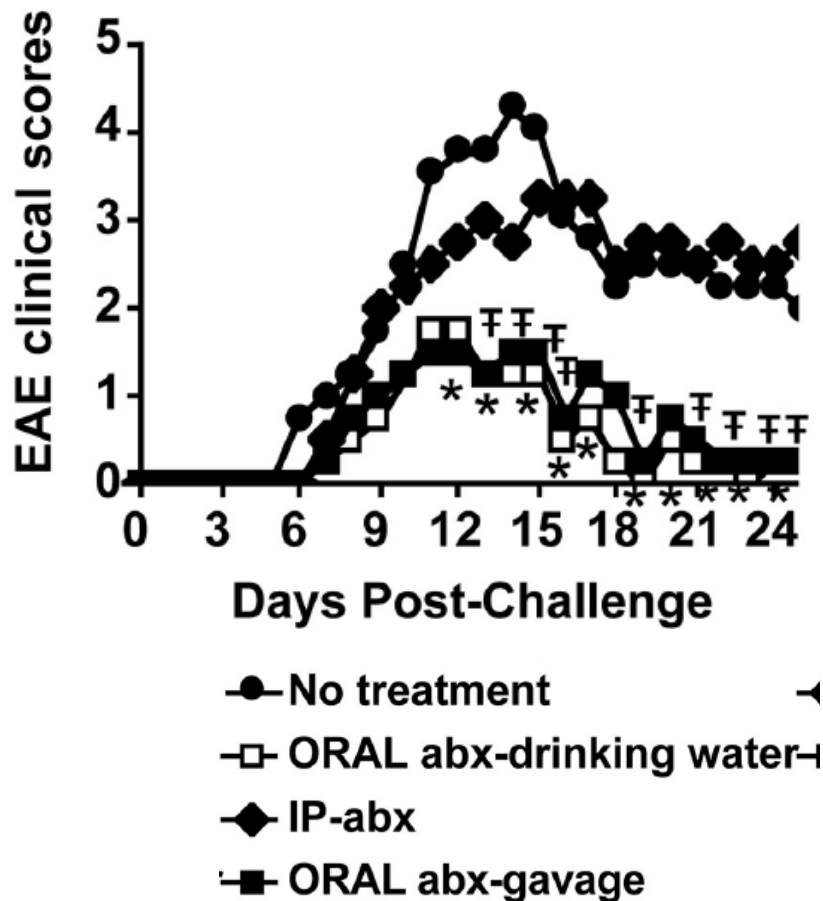
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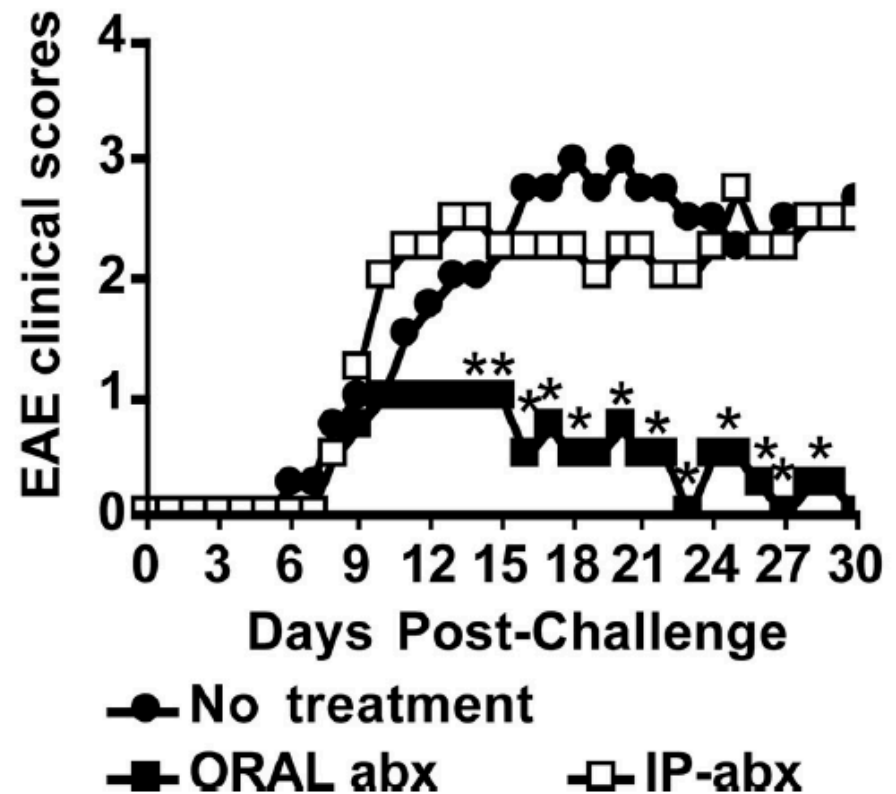
Butyricimonas

High-dose antibiotics ameliorate EAE

SJL + PLP

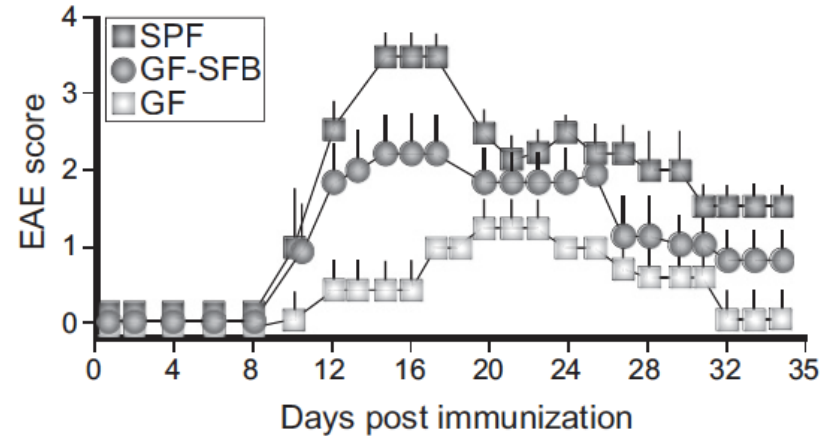
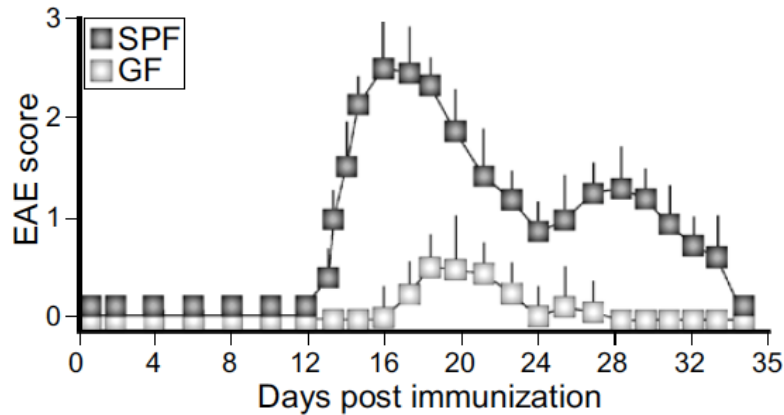


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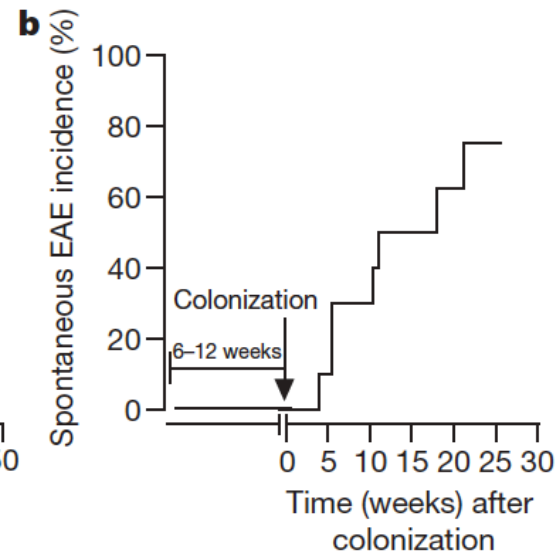
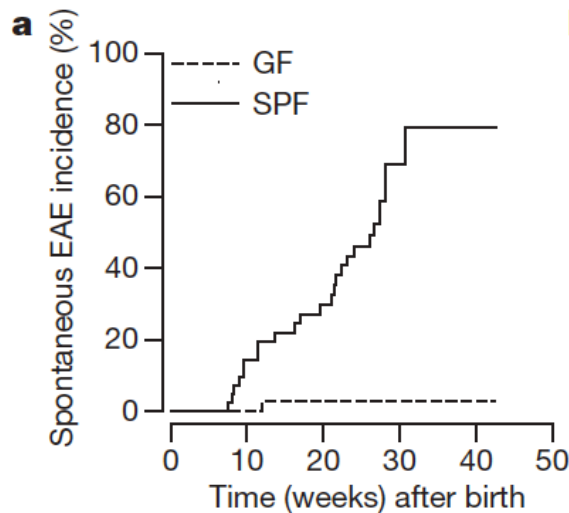


Germ-free mice resist experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE)

Induced, C57BL6 +MOG/CFA, Lee et al, PNAS, 2010



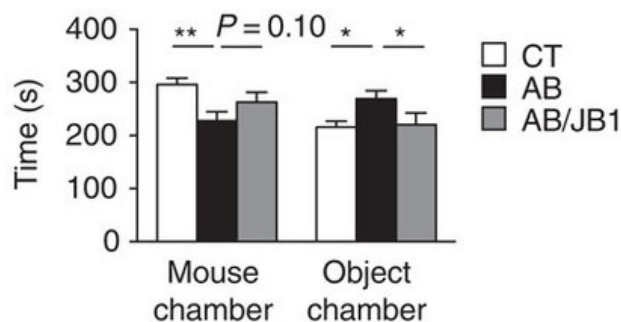
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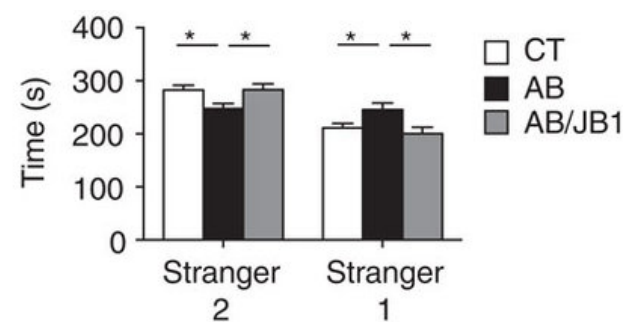
Low-dose penicillin in early life induces long-term changes in murine gut microbiota, brain cytokines and behavior

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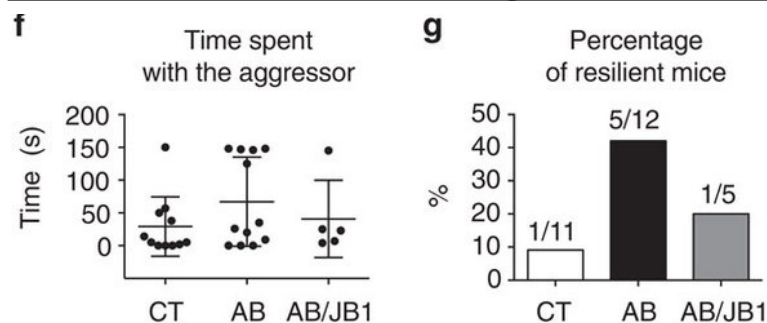
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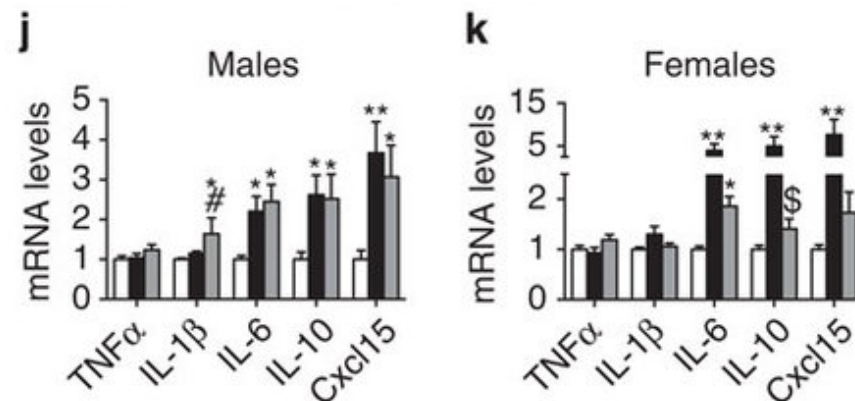
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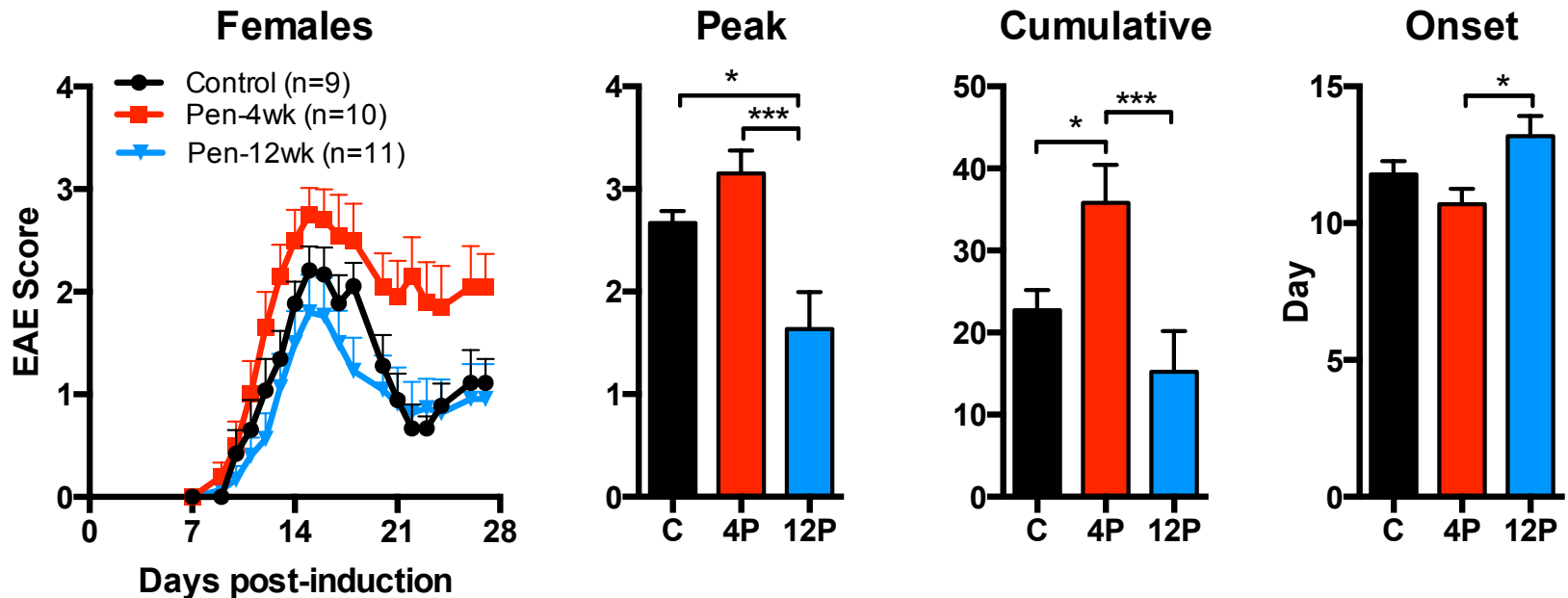
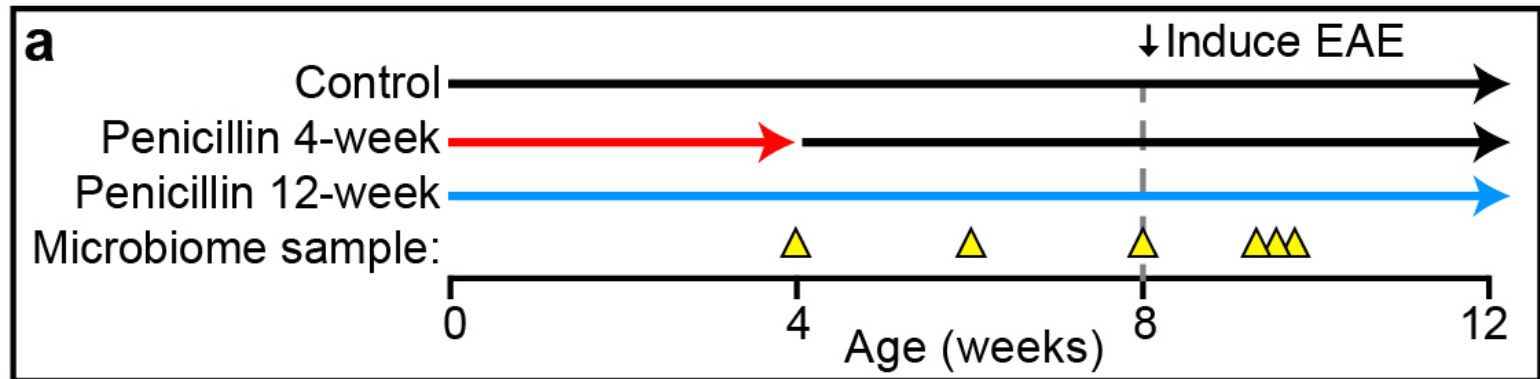
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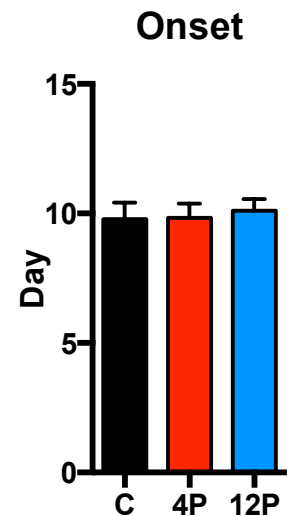
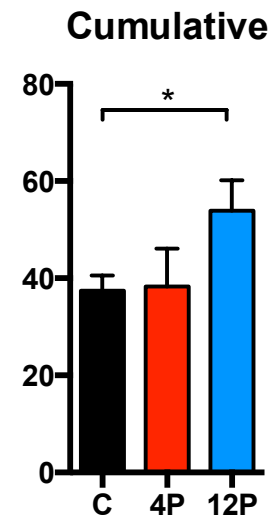
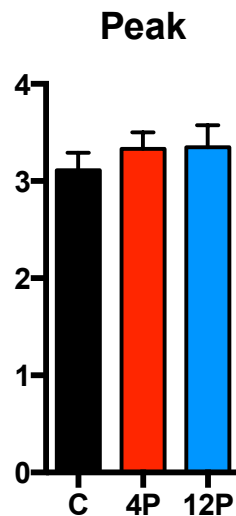
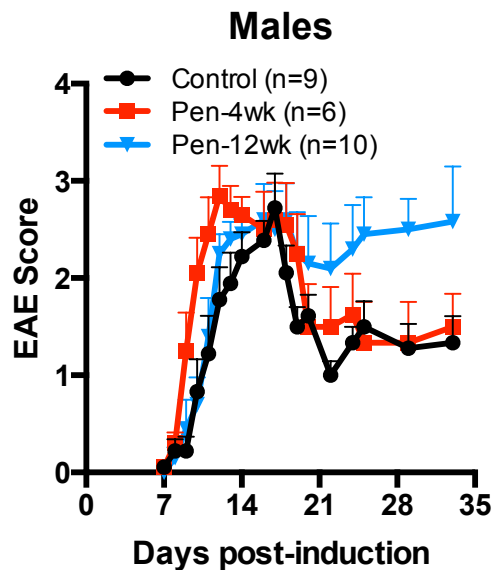
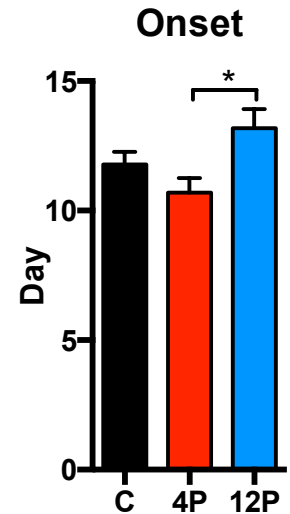
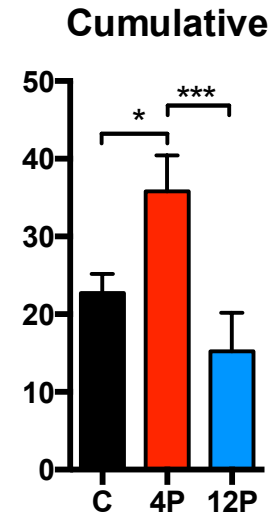
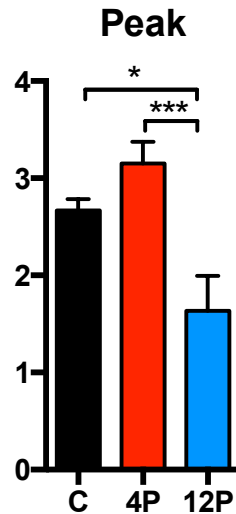
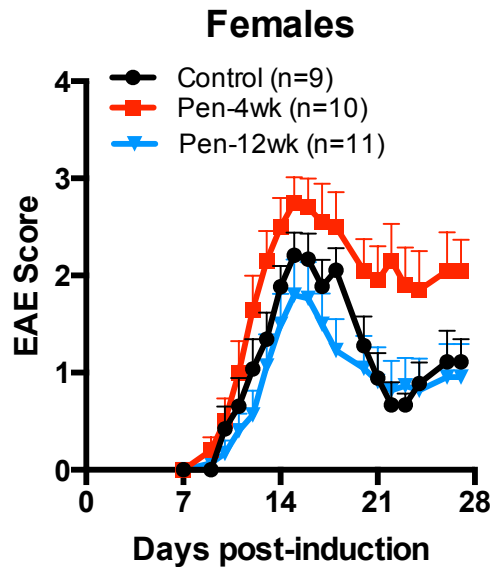


Effect of early-life antibiotics on EAE



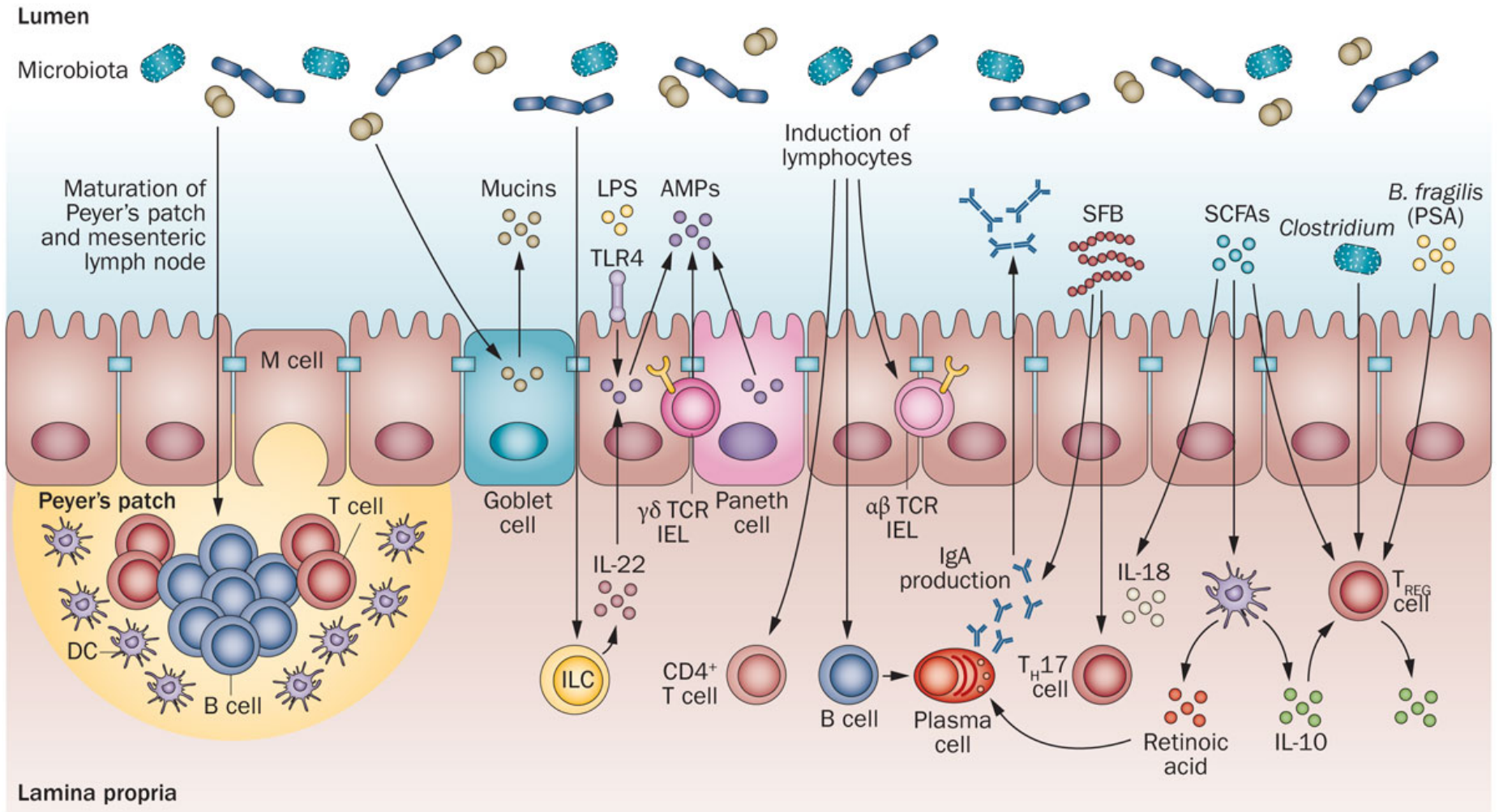
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Gender-dependent differences in EAE severity



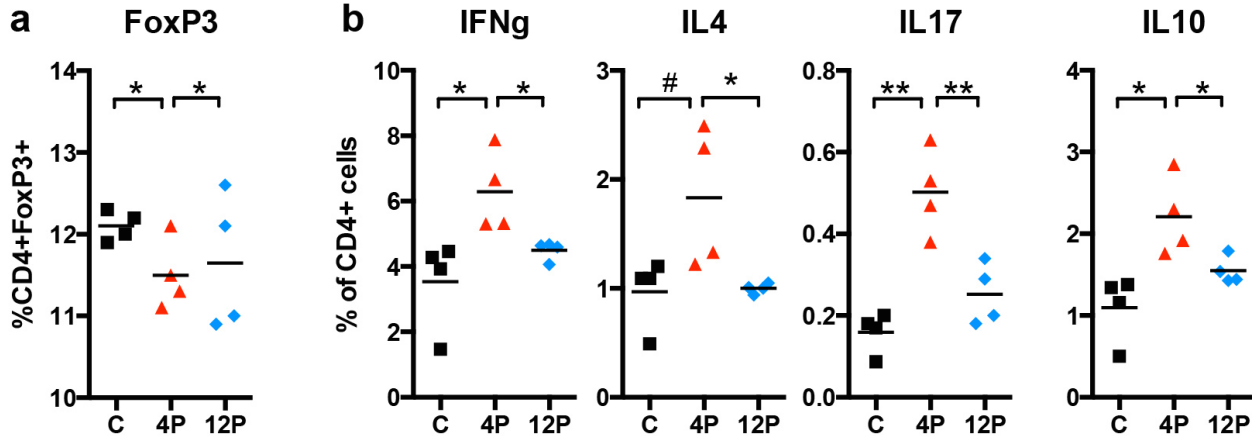
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Gut microbiota shapes host immunity

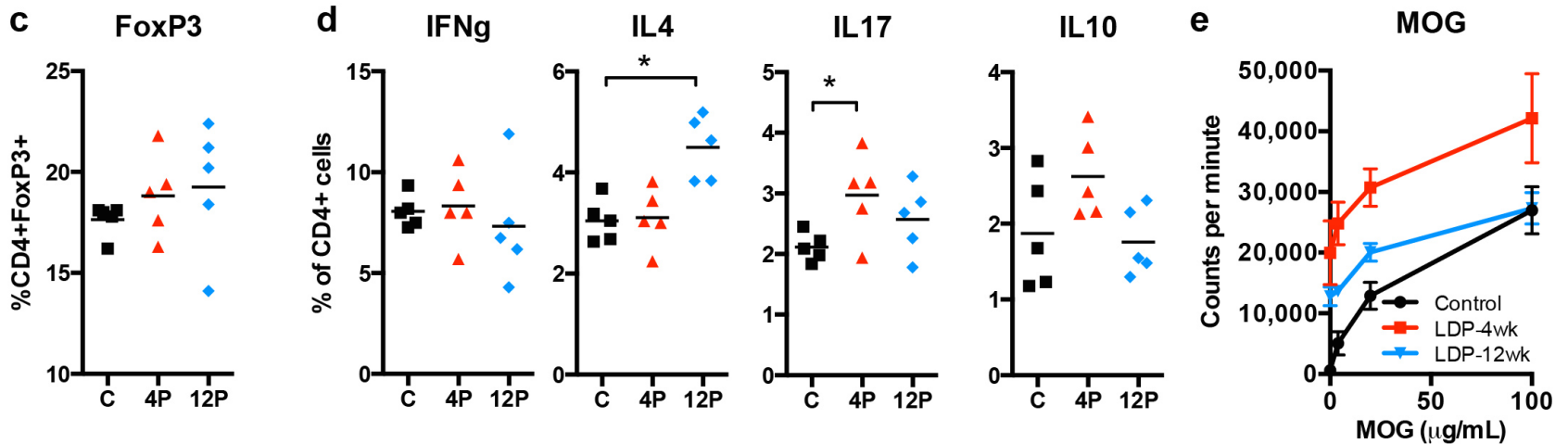


Splenic immune responses

Pre-induction, 8-weeks of age

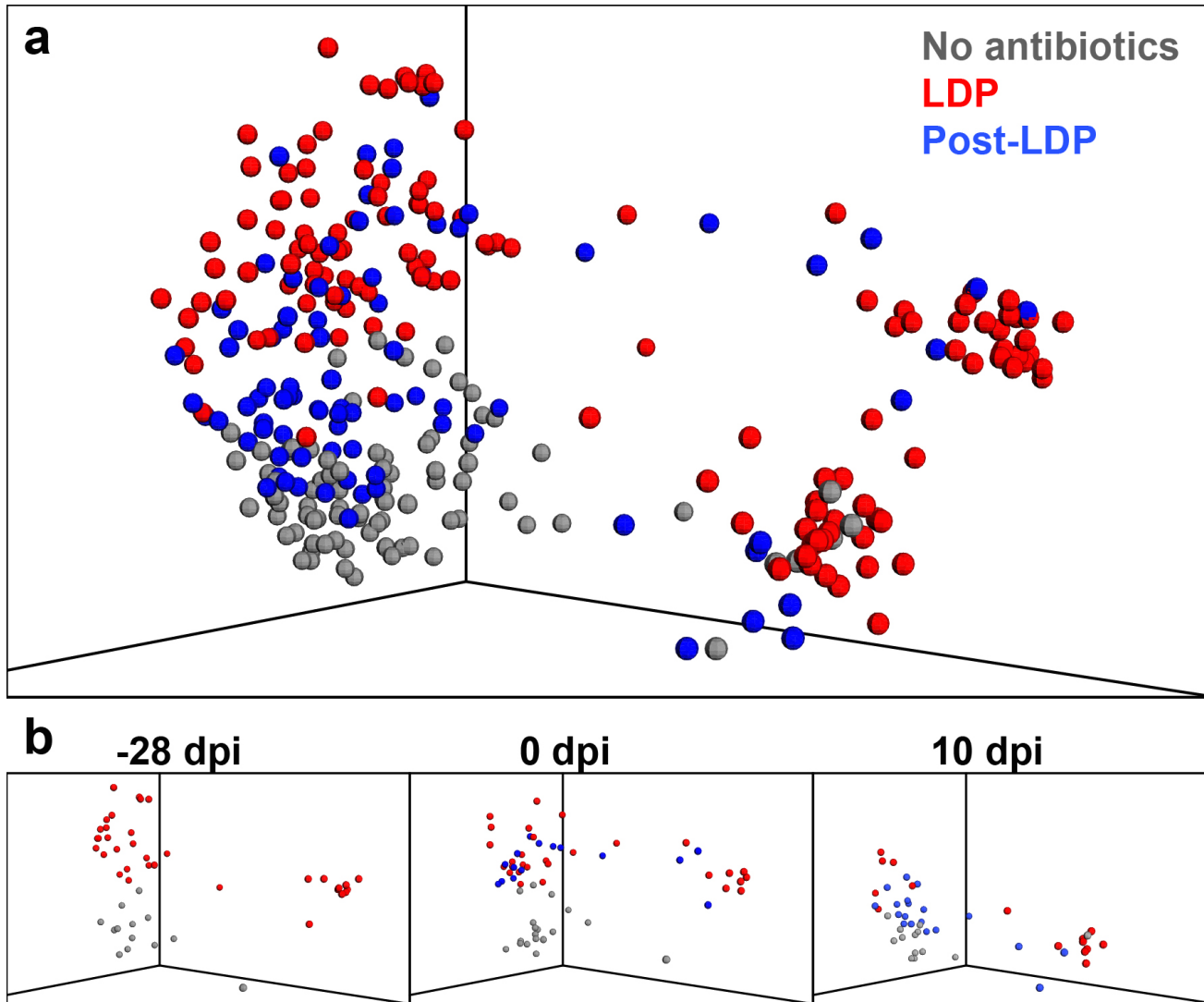


Post-induction, 12-weeks of age



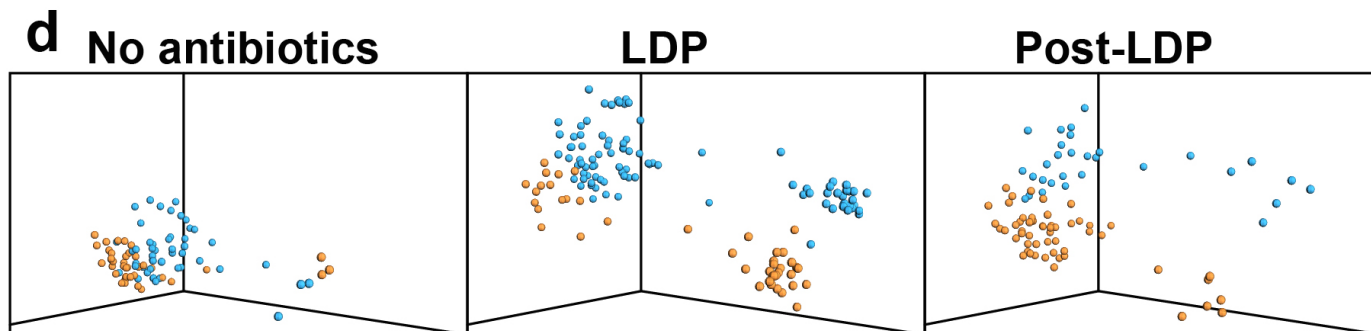
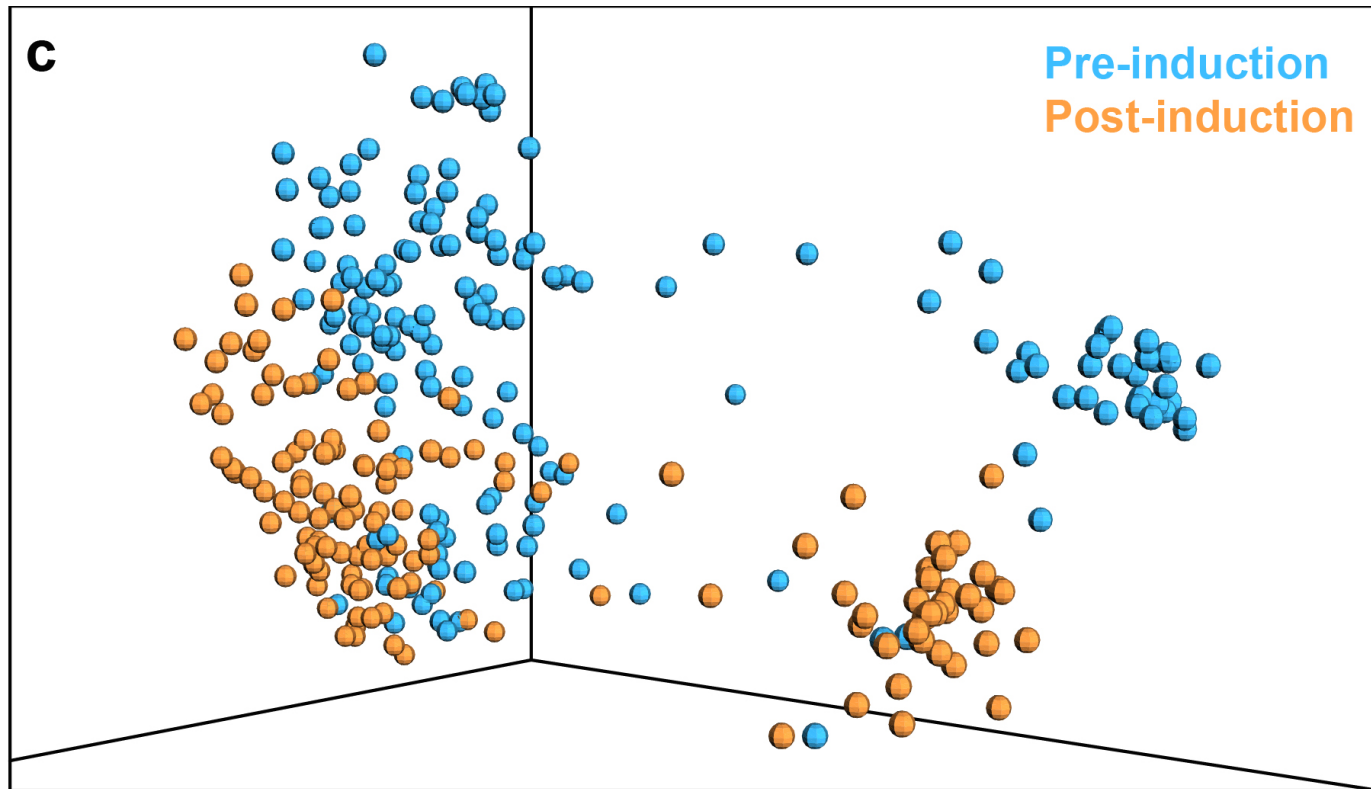
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Microbiome responses to antibiotics



DPI = days post induction

Microbiota response to immunization



(L Cox et al, in preparation)

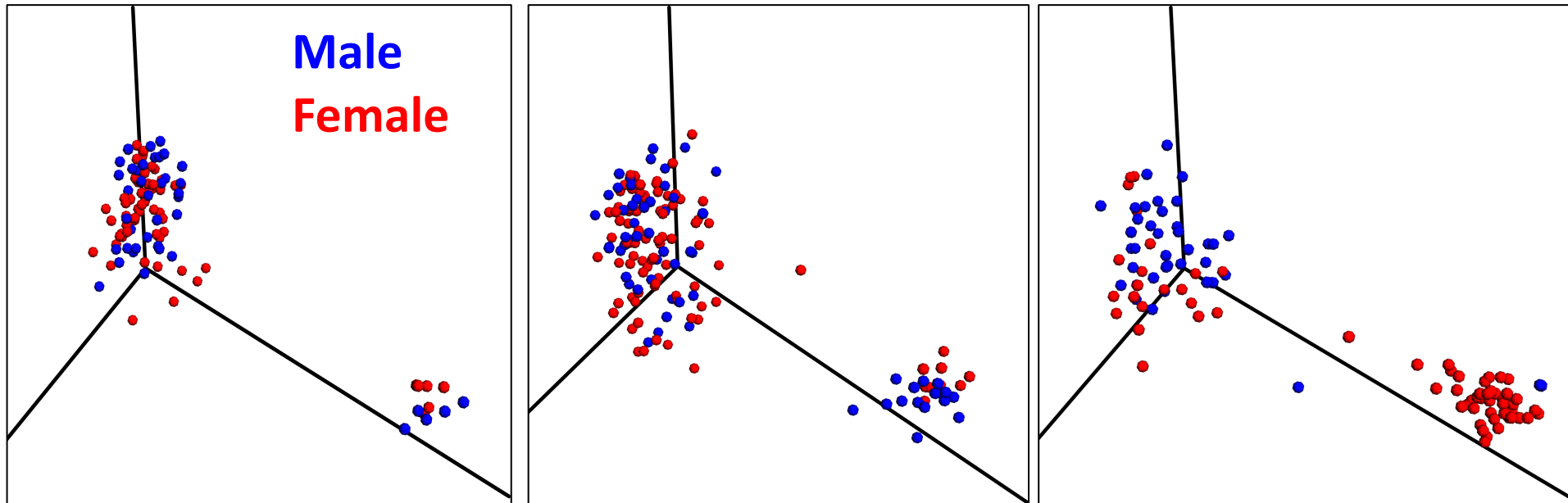
Gender-dependent shifts in microbiota

Control

Post-penicillin

Penicillin

Male
Female



Fecal microbiota after immunization

Associating microbiota with disease

Group mice by clinical course

Hierarchical clustering



Detect microbiota that are associated with outcome

Random Forrest & Boruta algorithm

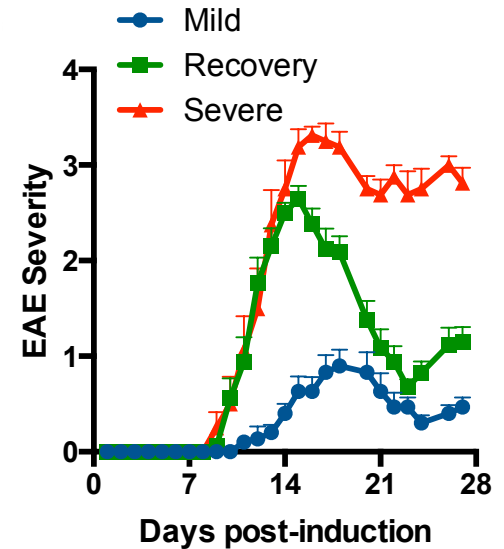
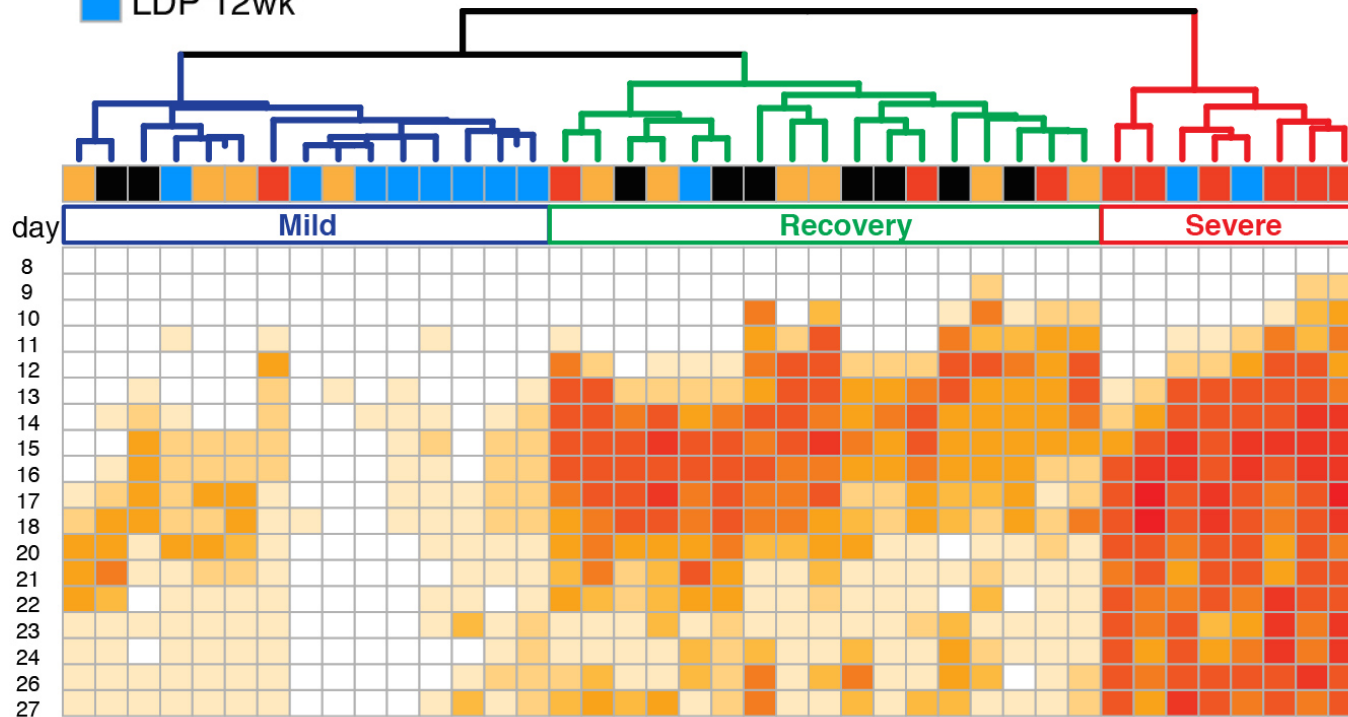


Determine whether taxa are beneficial or detrimental

Graph relative abundance

Hierarchical clustering of EAE scores in female mice

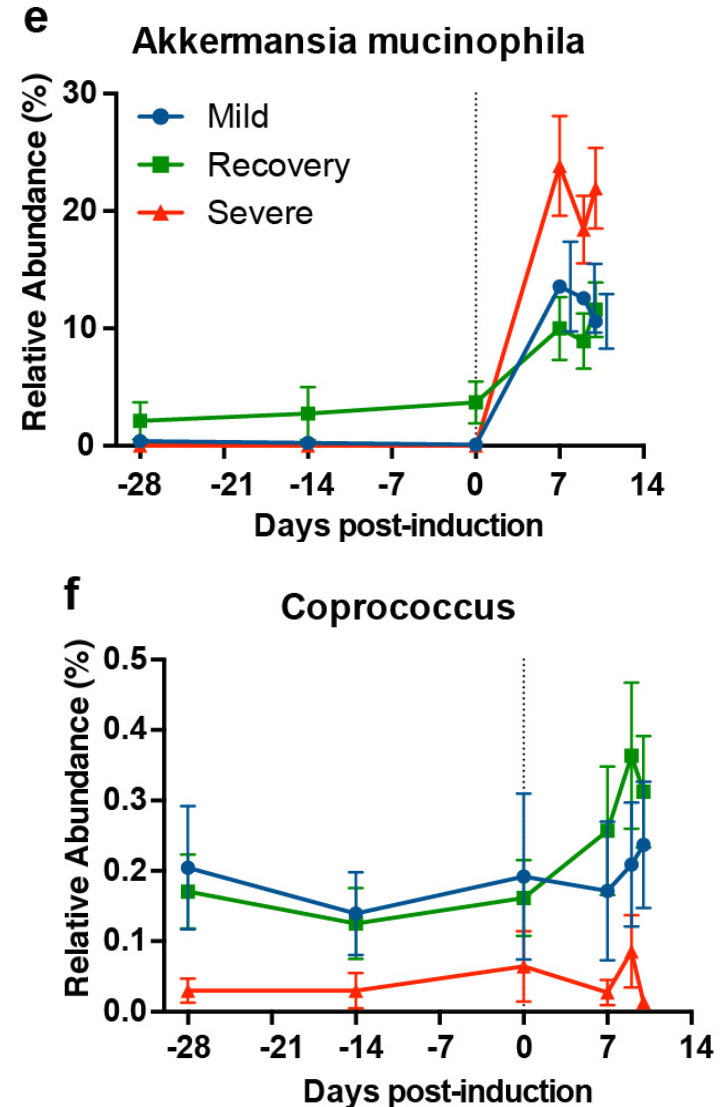
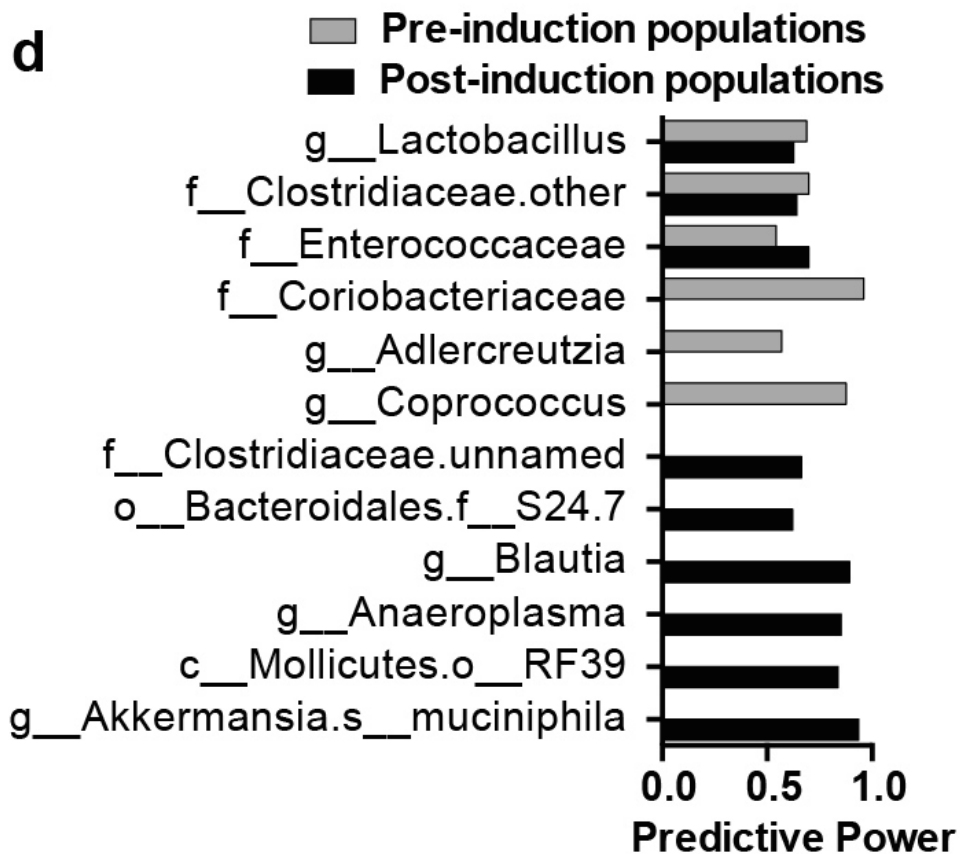
Control
LDP 4wk
LDP 8-wk
LDP 12wk



EAE Severity

0	1	2	3	4
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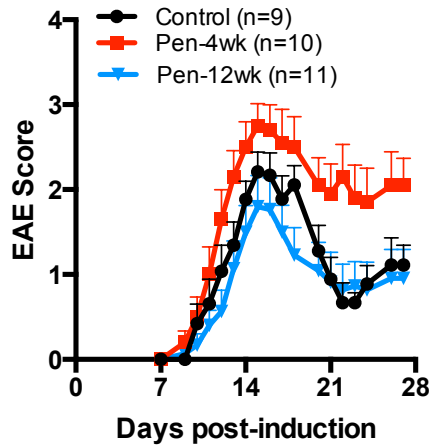
Bacteria associated with disease severity



Sex-dependent responses to penicillin

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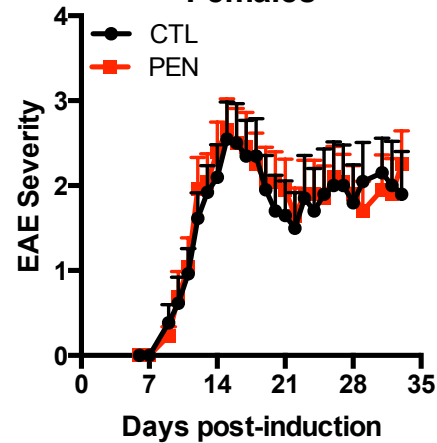
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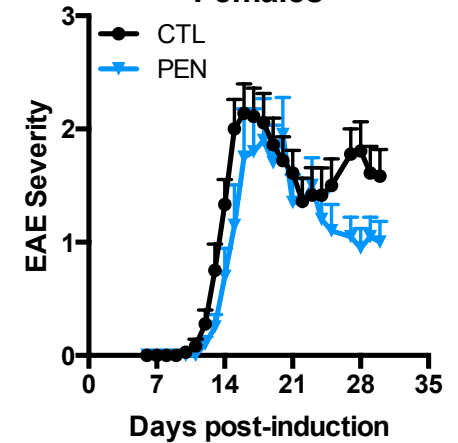
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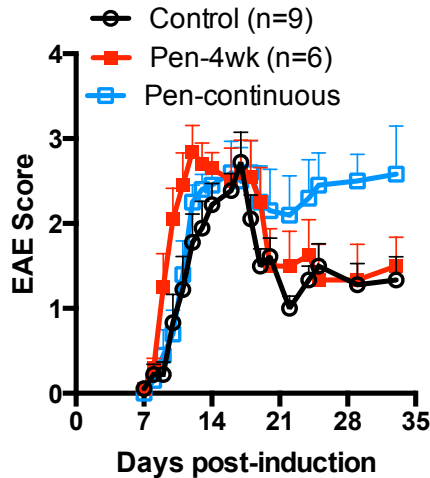


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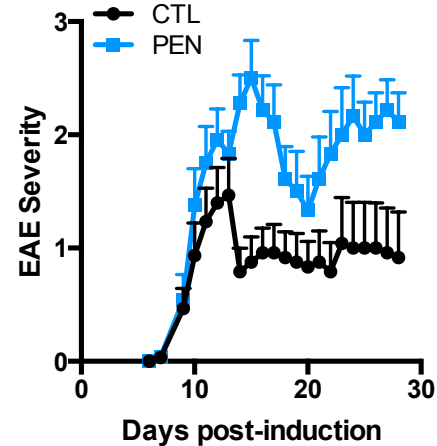


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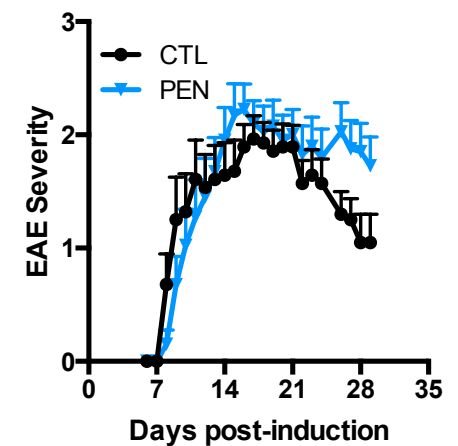


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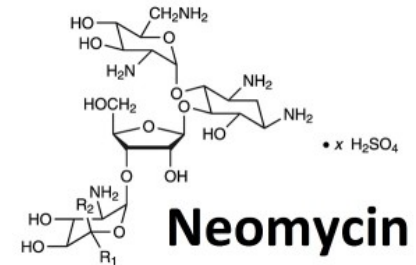
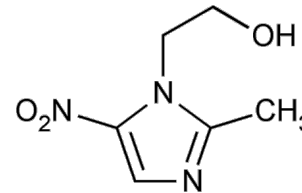
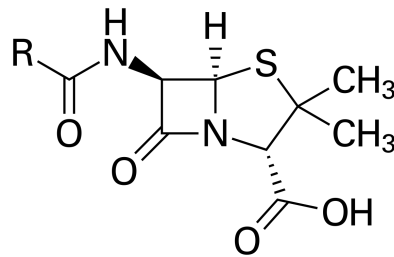
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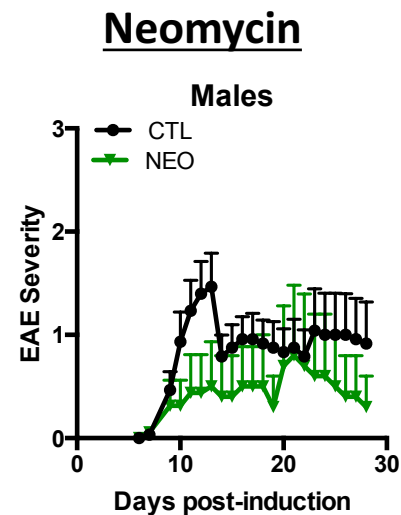
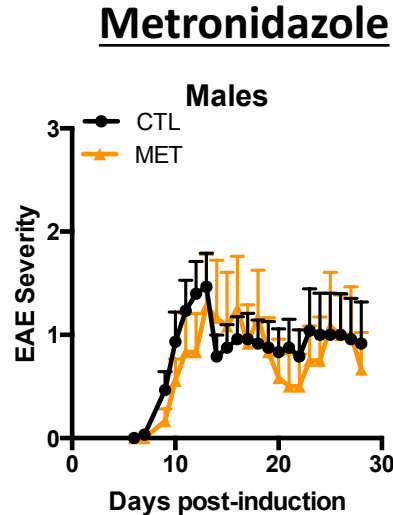
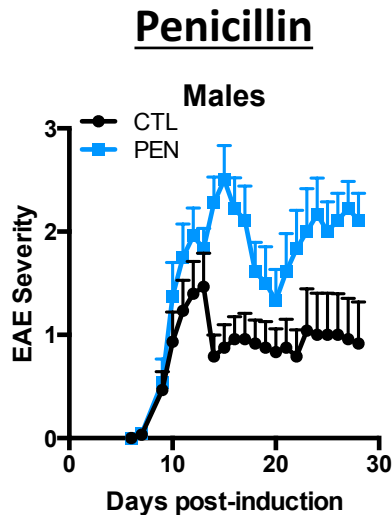
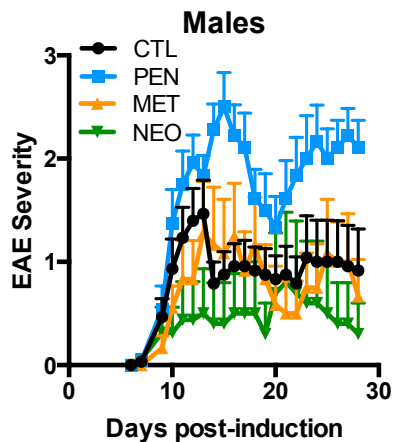
Select antibiotic spectrum of activity and mechanism of action



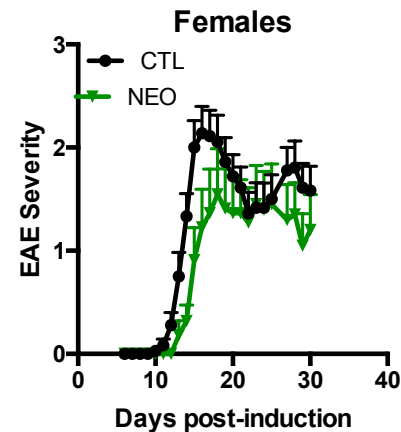
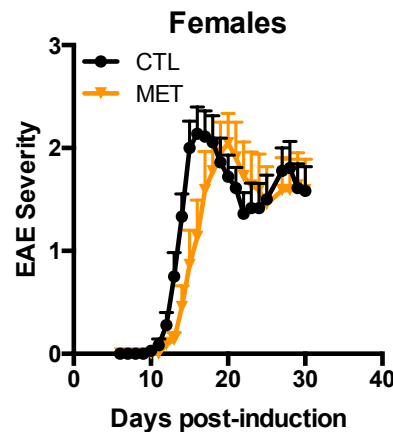
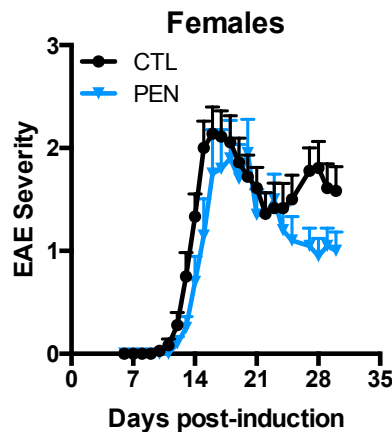
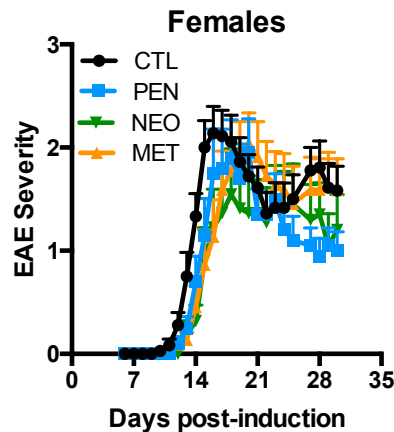
	Penicillin	Metronidazole	Neomycin
Class	Beta-lactam	Nitroimidazole	Aminoglycoside
Spectrum of activity	Gram positive bacteria	Anaerobic bacteria Protozoa	Aerobic bacteria
Mode of Action	Blocks peptidoglycan cell wall biosynthesis	Inhibits DNA synthesis under anaerobic conditions	Binds to the 30S rRNA subunit, blocks translation

Effect of antibiotic class on EAE in males

Males



Females



Conclusions

- Microbiota disruption can alter EAE severity, and depends on gender, class of antibiotic, and timing of exposure.
- Increased severity in 4-week treated females is associated with elevated systemic proinflammatory cytokines and lowered regulatory T cells
- Antibiotics, immunization, and gender shape the microbiota composition
- *Akkermansia* is associated with worse disease and *Coprococcus* is associated with less severe EAE in Female mice, which are also detected in the human population

Antibiotics and multiple sclerosis in the human population



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Antibiotic Use and Risk of Multiple Sclerosis

Alvaro Alonso¹, Susan S. Jick², Hershel Jick², and Miguel A. Hernán¹

- 163 MS cases, up to 10 controls matched per patient in Great Britain
- Penicillin **reduced** the risk of multiple sclerosis
- Was not affected by sex or age



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Use of Penicillin and Other Antibiotics and Risk of Multiple Sclerosis: A Population-based Case-Control Study

Mette Nørgaard*, Rikke Beck Nielsen, Jacob Bonde Jacobsen, Jaimie L. Gradus, Egon Stenager, Nils Koch-Henriksen, Timothy L. Lash, and Henrik Toft Sørensen

- >3,000 cases vs >30,000 controls in the Danish population
- Penicillin and other antibiotics **increased the** risk of MS

Allergies, antibiotics use, and multiple sclerosis

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Jinma Ren^a, Huijuan Ni^b, Minchul Kim^a, Kimberly L. Cooley^{c,d},
Reuben M. Valenzuela^d and Carl V. Asche^{a,e}

- 829 MS patients, 2441 controls in the US population
- **No risk association** with antibiotics

Translational implications and future challenges

Microbiome involvement in multiple sclerosis

- More studies are needed to assess whether antibiotics can modify the symptoms of MS
- Clear evidence from animal models shows that manipulating the microbiome with antibiotics can alter the clinical course of EAE.

Treatment:

- Can we improve the disease by eliminating proinflammatory microbes?
- Can we improve the disease by administering microbes to beneficially tune the immune system?
- Do we need to consider gender-specific approaches to microbiome therapeutics?

Target validation in large cohort studies:

- Systems: 2000 patients in a multi-omics study at Partners MS Center
- iMSMS: 1000 patients recruited from 7 international locations



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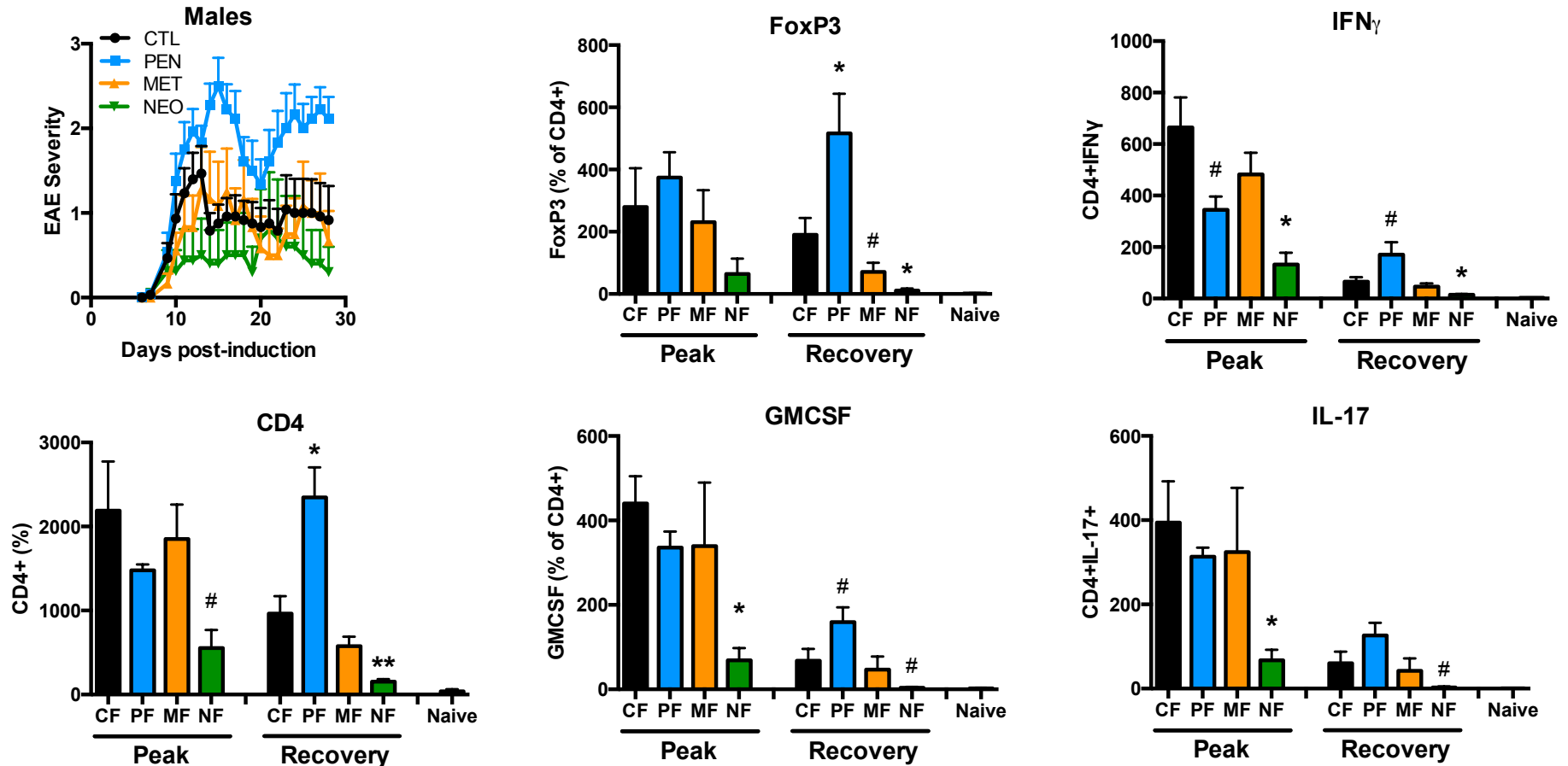
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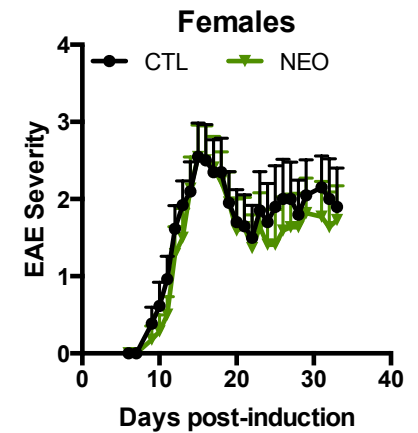
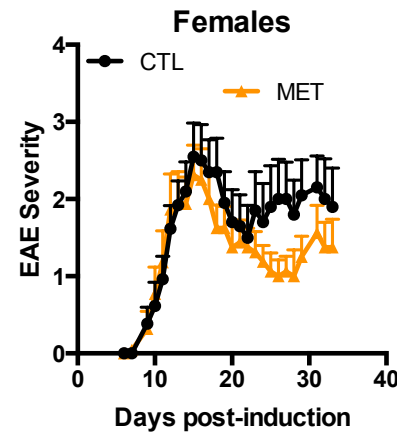
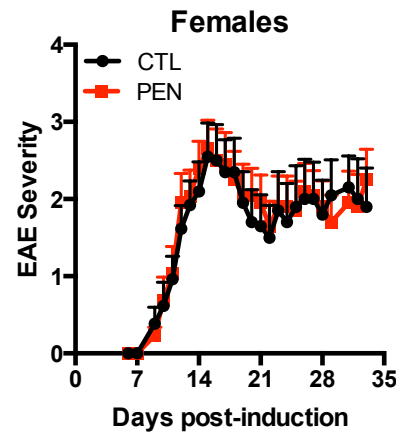
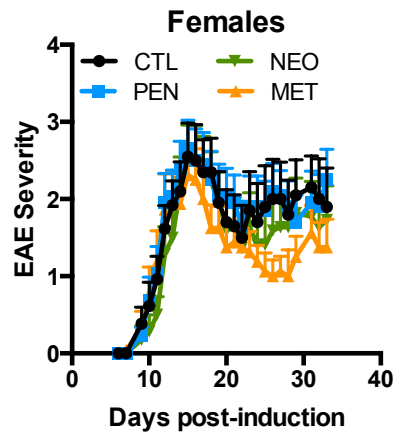
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Effect of antibiotics on CNS cytokines during EAE in male mice

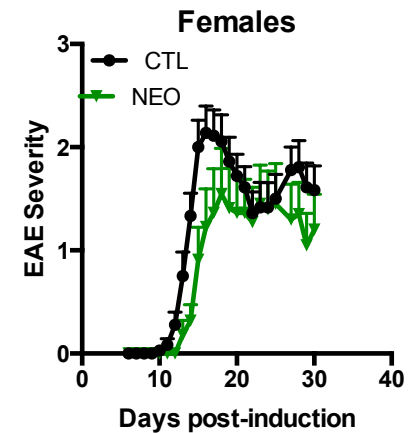
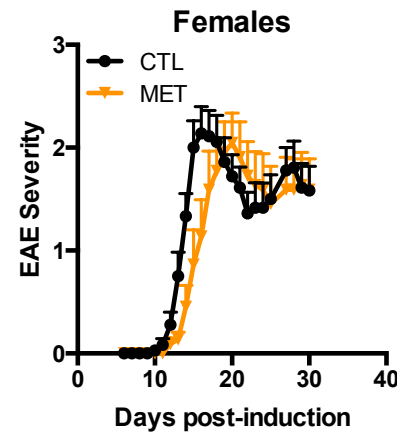
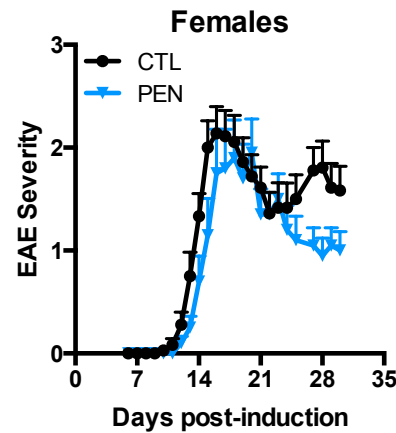
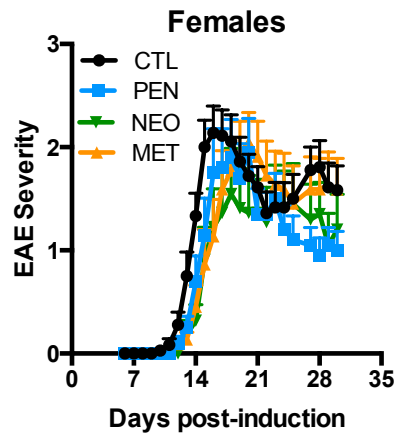


Effect of antibiotic class on EAE in females

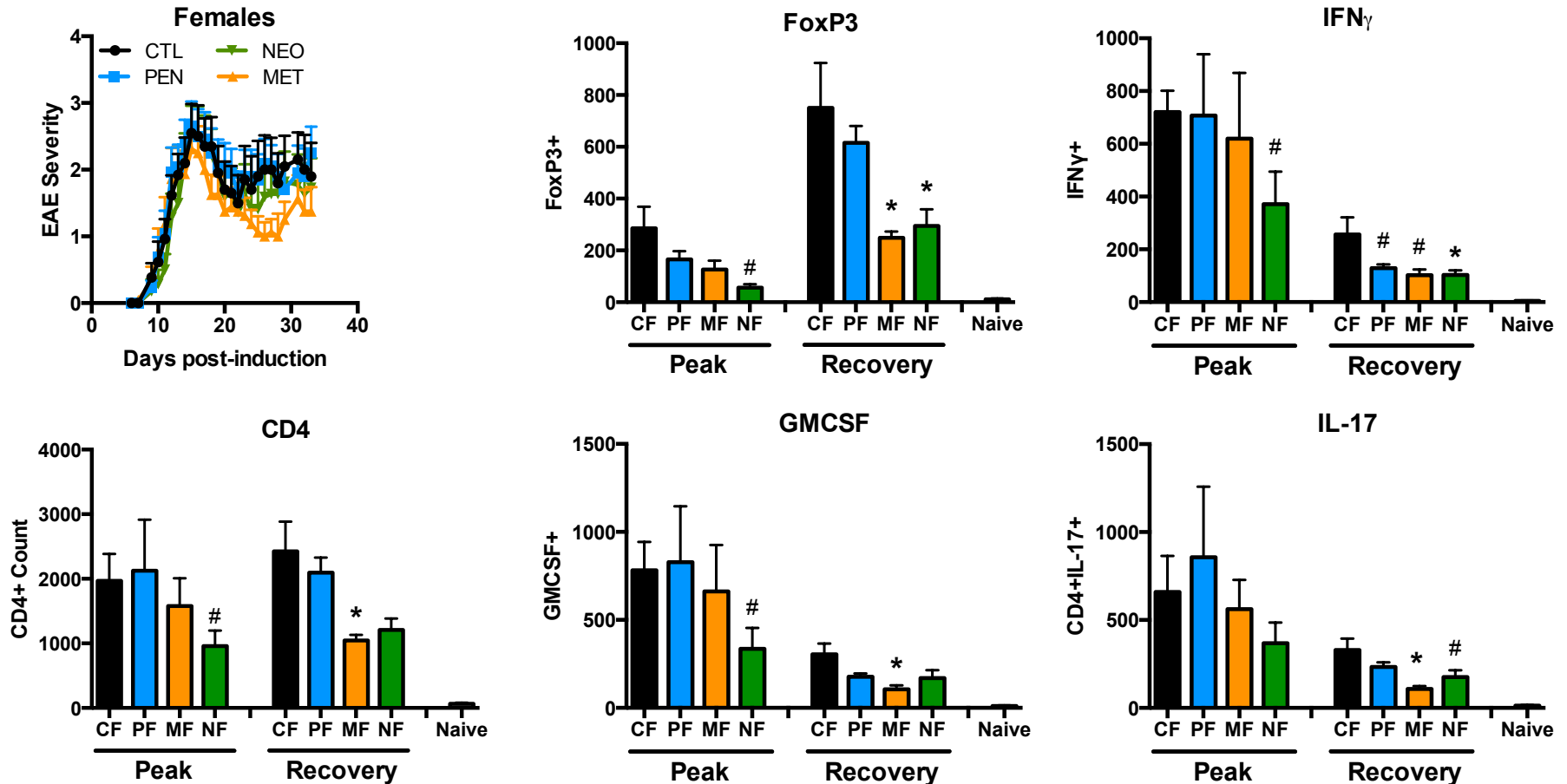
Limited, early-life



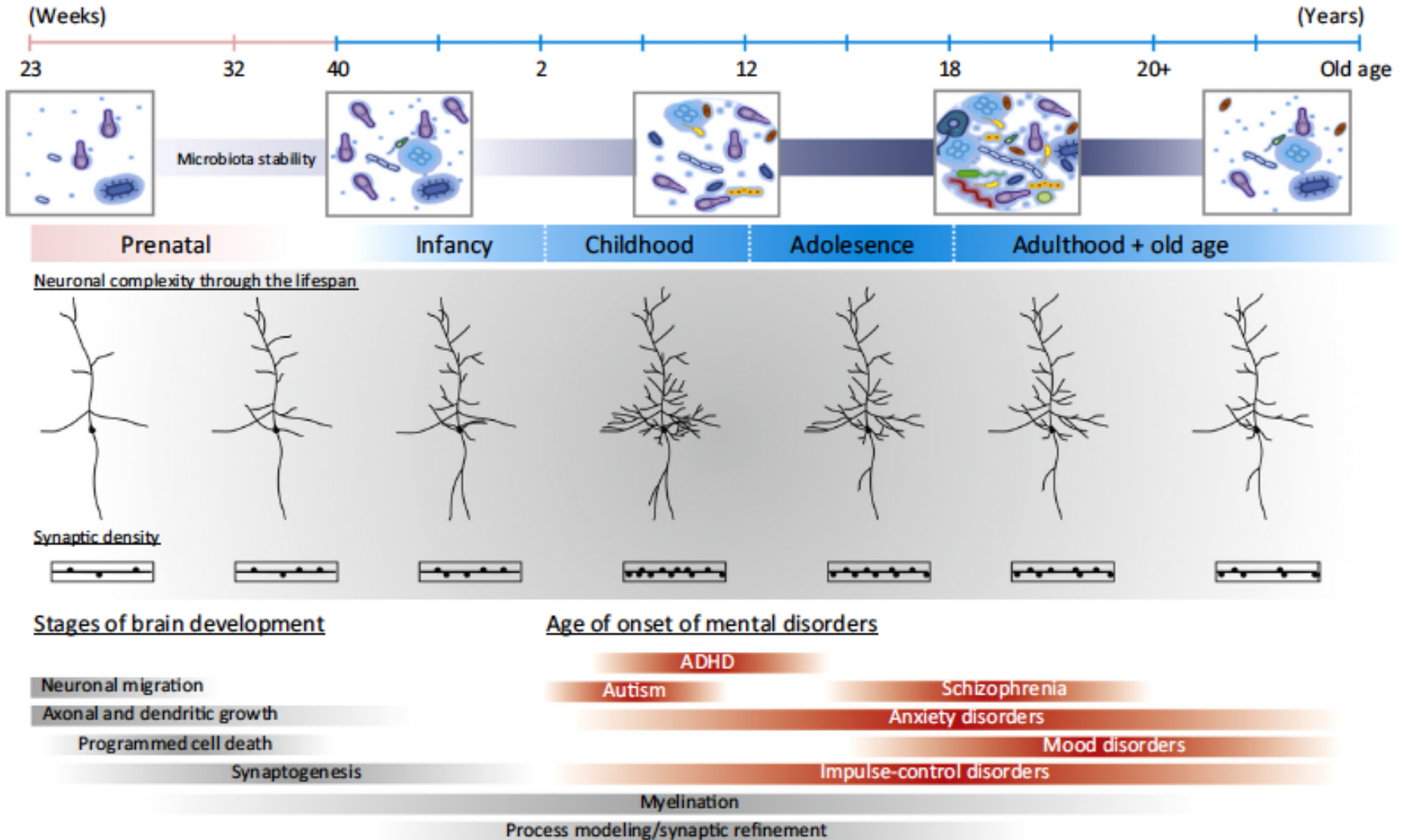
Continuous treatment



Effect of antibiotics on CNS cytokines during EAE in female mice



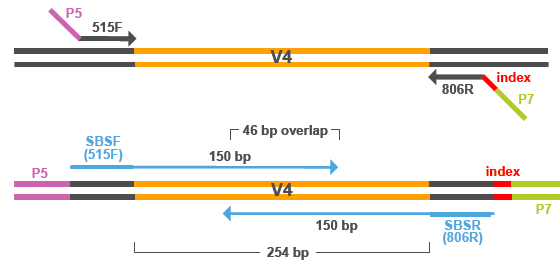
Microbiota stability, brain development, and mental disorder onset throughout life



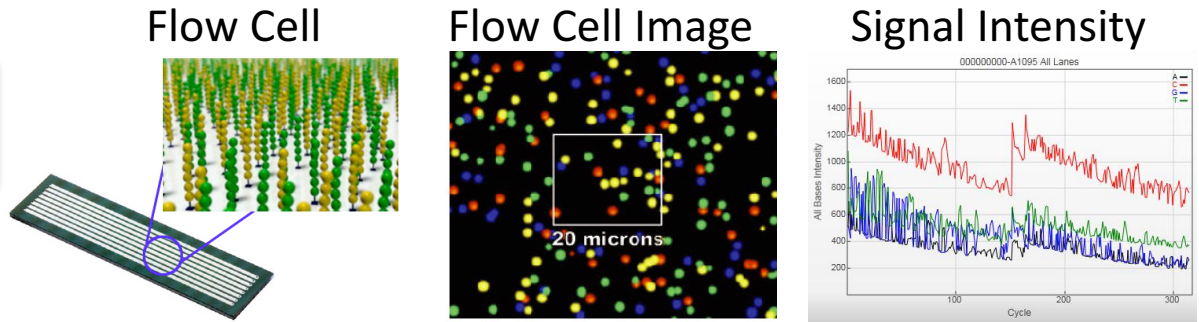
(Borre et al., Trends Molecular Medicine, 2014)

Microbiome Sequencing Strategy

1. Amplify the V4 region of microbial 16S rRNA gene with hundreds of barcoded reverse primers



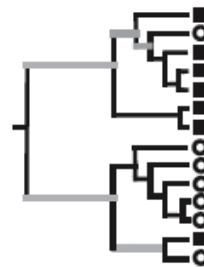
2. Sequence on Illumina MiSeq platform



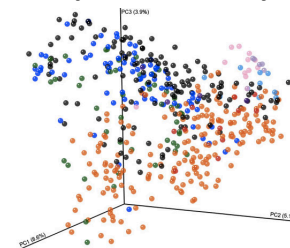
3. Assemble paired end reads with EA-utils, quality filter, demultiplex, assign taxonomy, construct a phylogenetic tree, calculate diversity metrics and relative abundance with QIIME



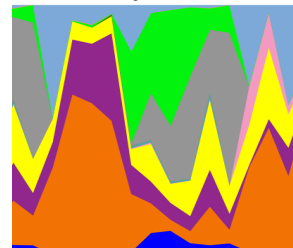
Tree



β -diversity

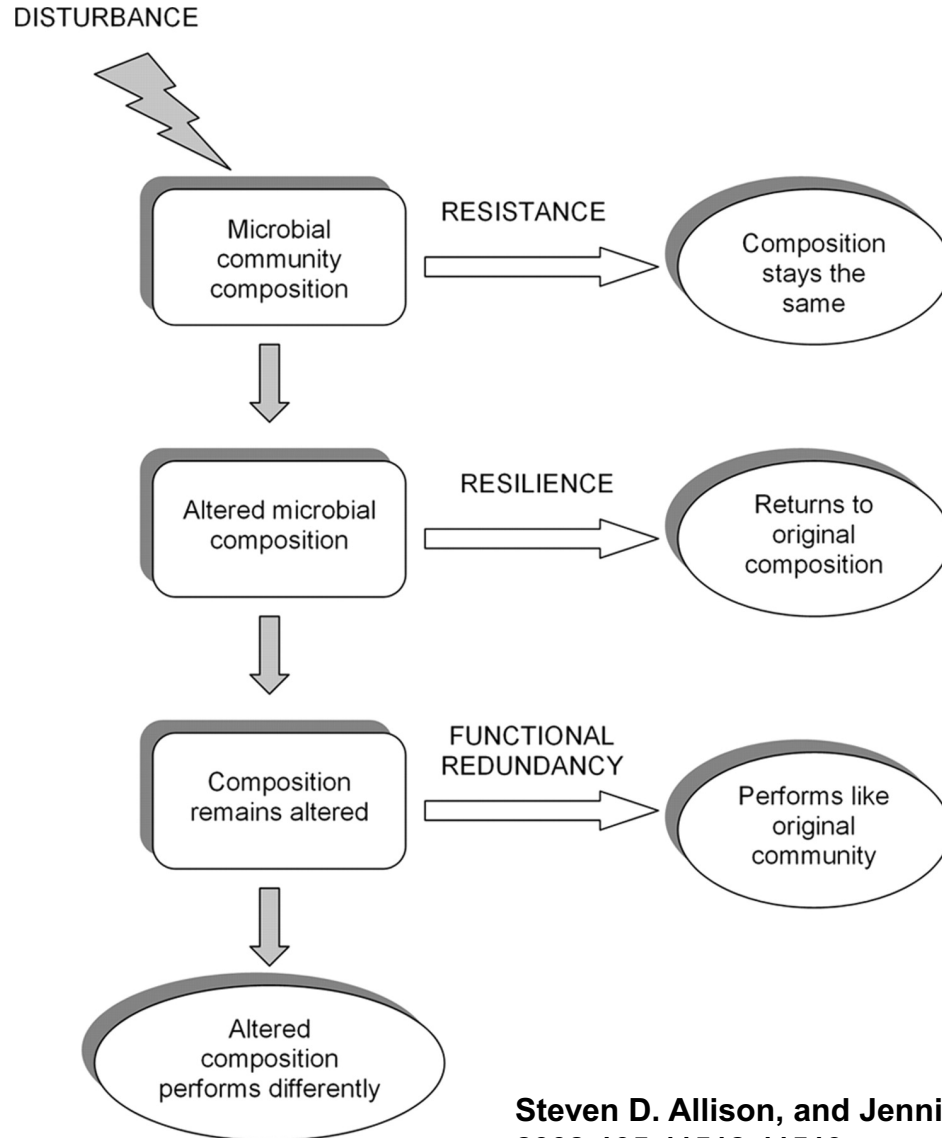


Composition

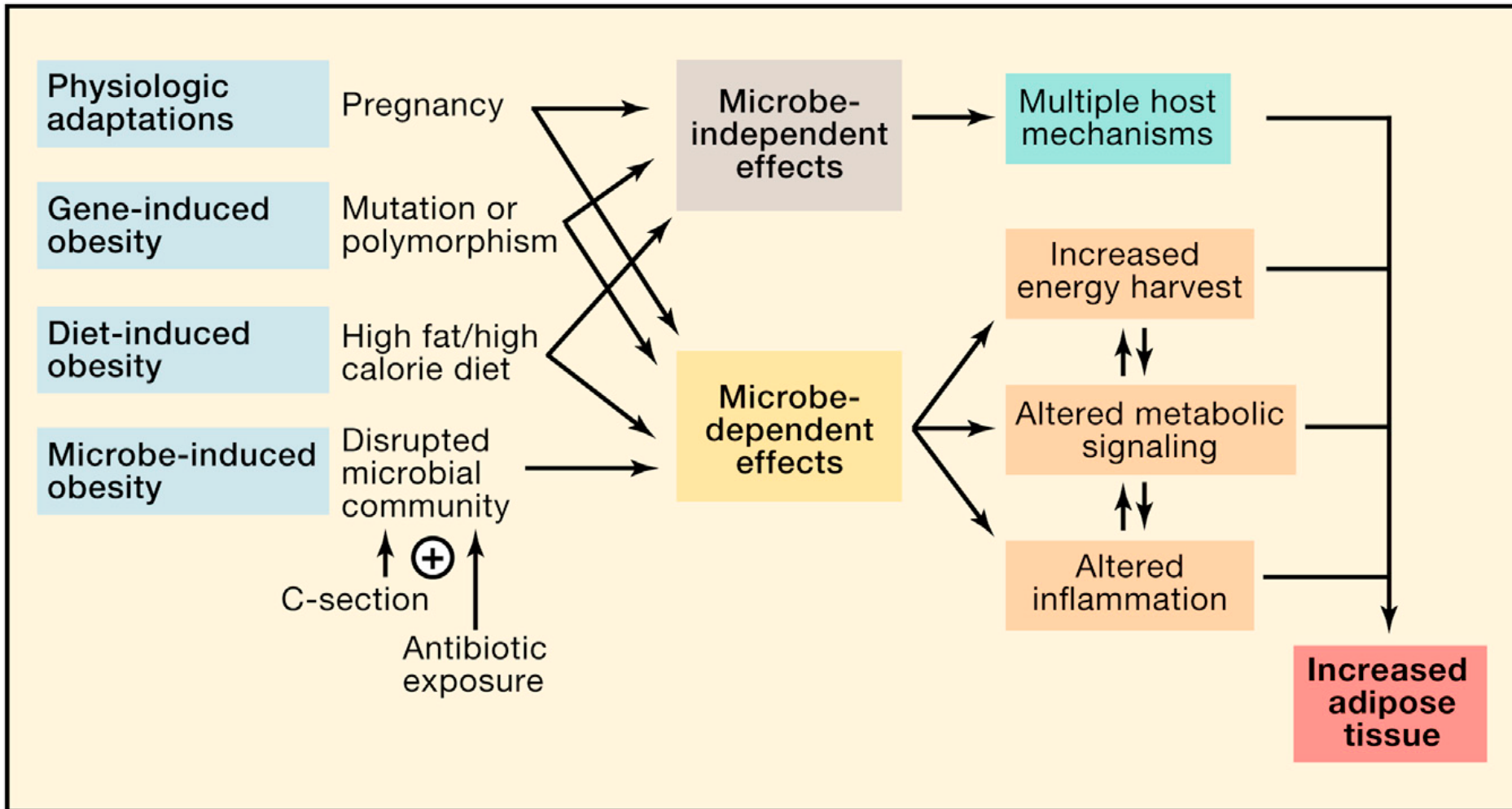


Resistance, Resilience, and Redundancy

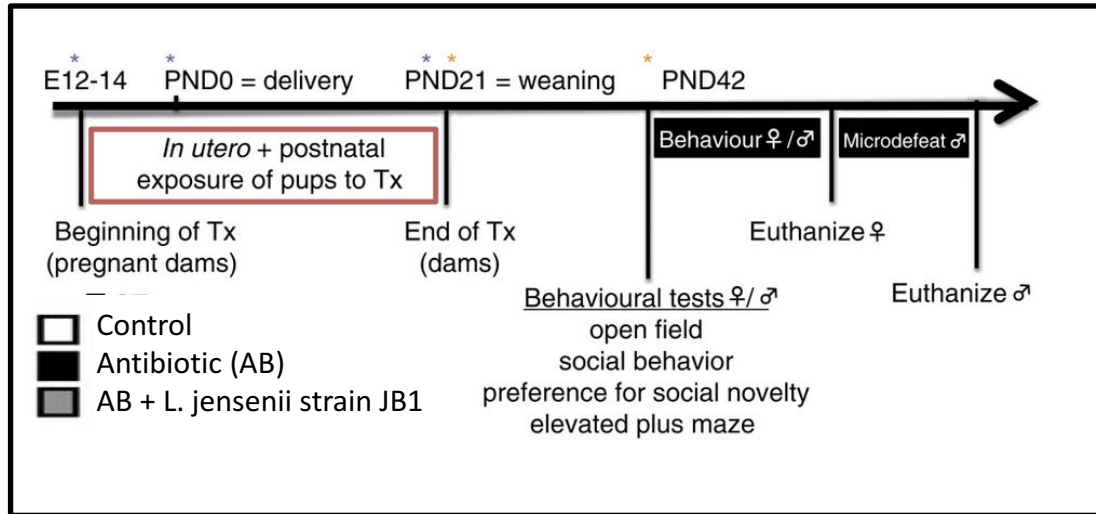
Disturbance:
Antibiotics
Immunization



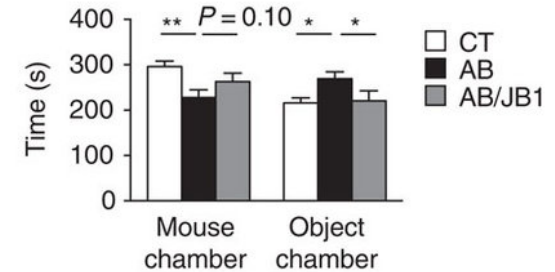
Models of microbe-induced obesity



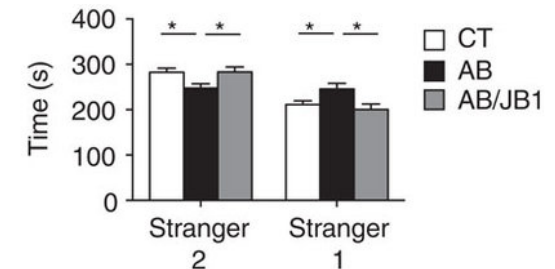
Low dose penicillin alters behavior and cytokines



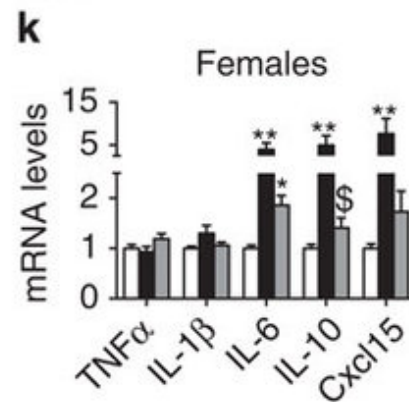
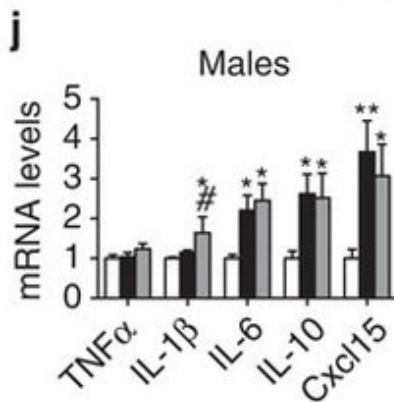
Social Behavior



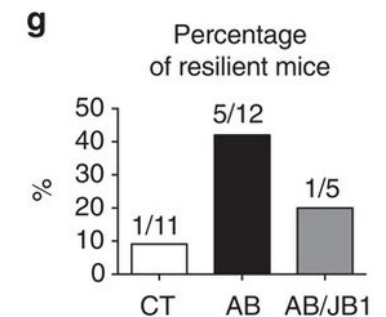
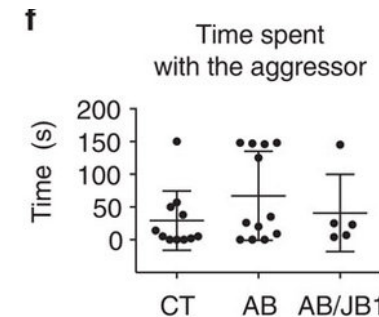
Social Novelty



Cytokines: Frontal Cortex



Social Avoidance following microdefeat



Microbiome Manipulations

Deplete

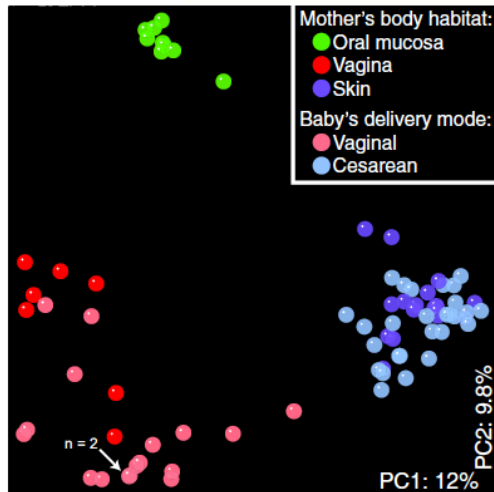
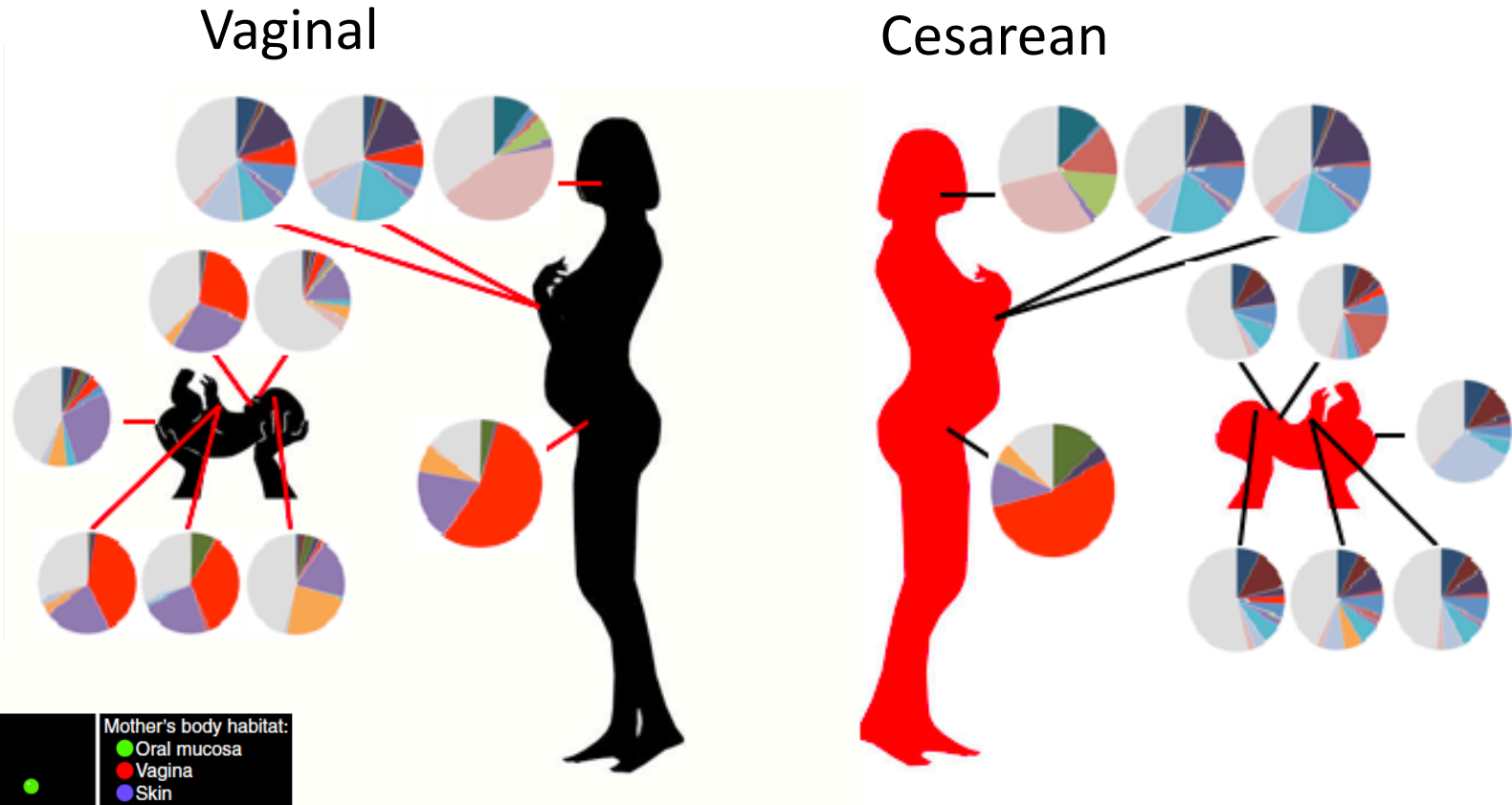
- Germ-free (axenic)
- High-dose, broad-spectrum antibiotics
- Single antibiotics, varies by dose, duration, and spectrum of activity
- Narrow-spectrum bacteriocidal proteins
- Phage therapy

Augment

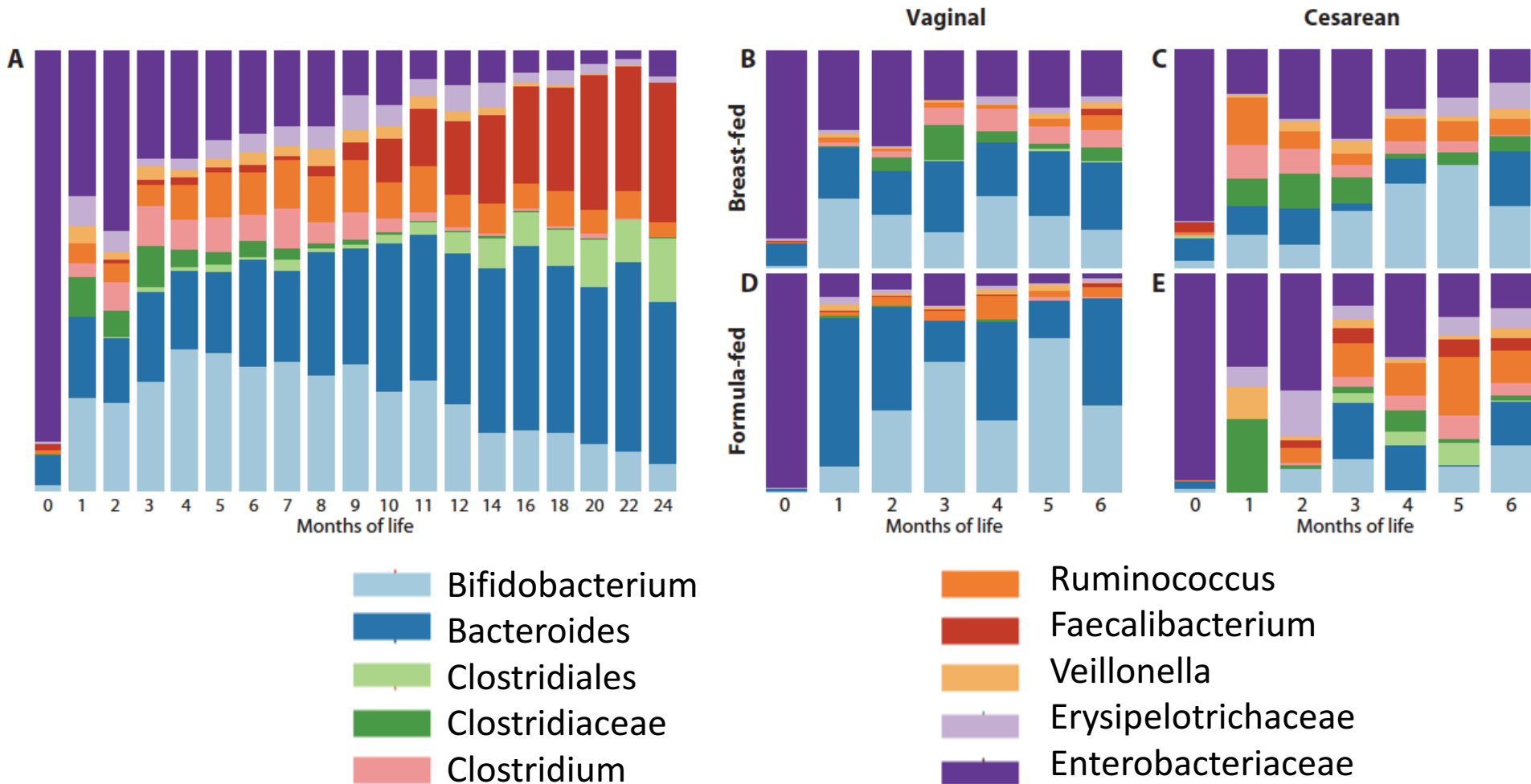
- Single organism
- Defined collection of organisms
- Whole community
 - Fecal/vaginal microbiota transfer
 - Cohousing (mice)
 - Shared bedding (mice)

Delivery mode shapes infant microbiota

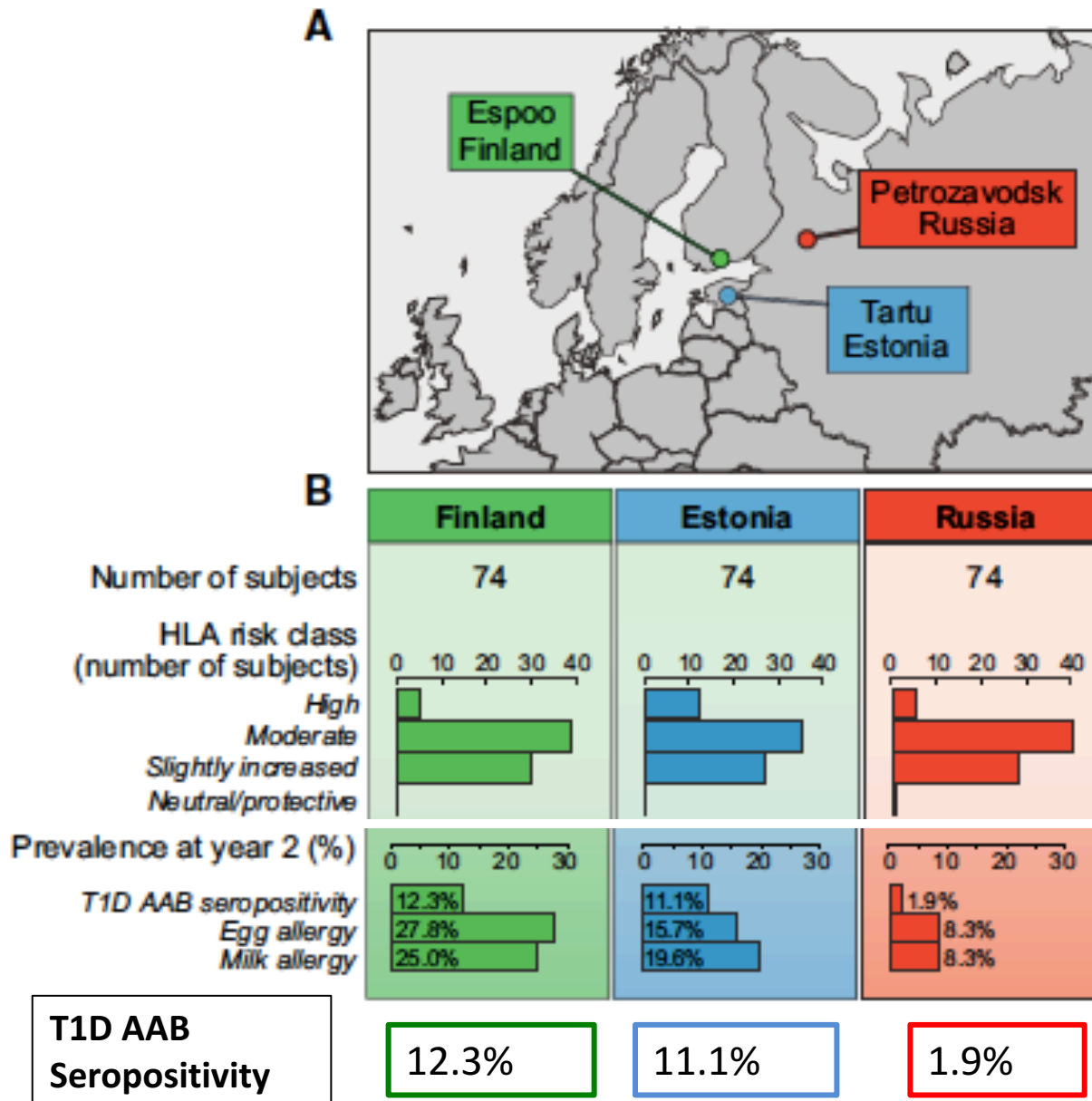
- Acinetobacter
- Bacillales
- Coriobacterineae
- Corynebacterineae
- Haemophilus
- Lactobacillus
- Micrococcineae
- Neisseria
- Pasteurellaceae
- Prevotella
- Propionibacterineae
- Sneathia
- Staphylococcus
- Streptococcus
- Other



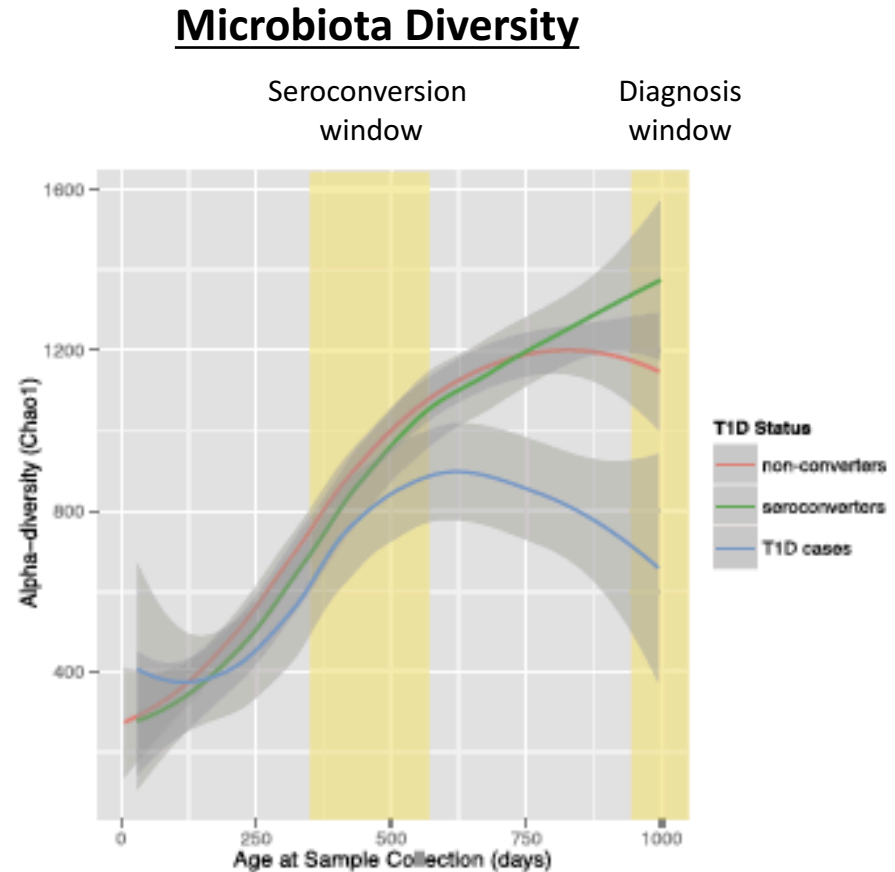
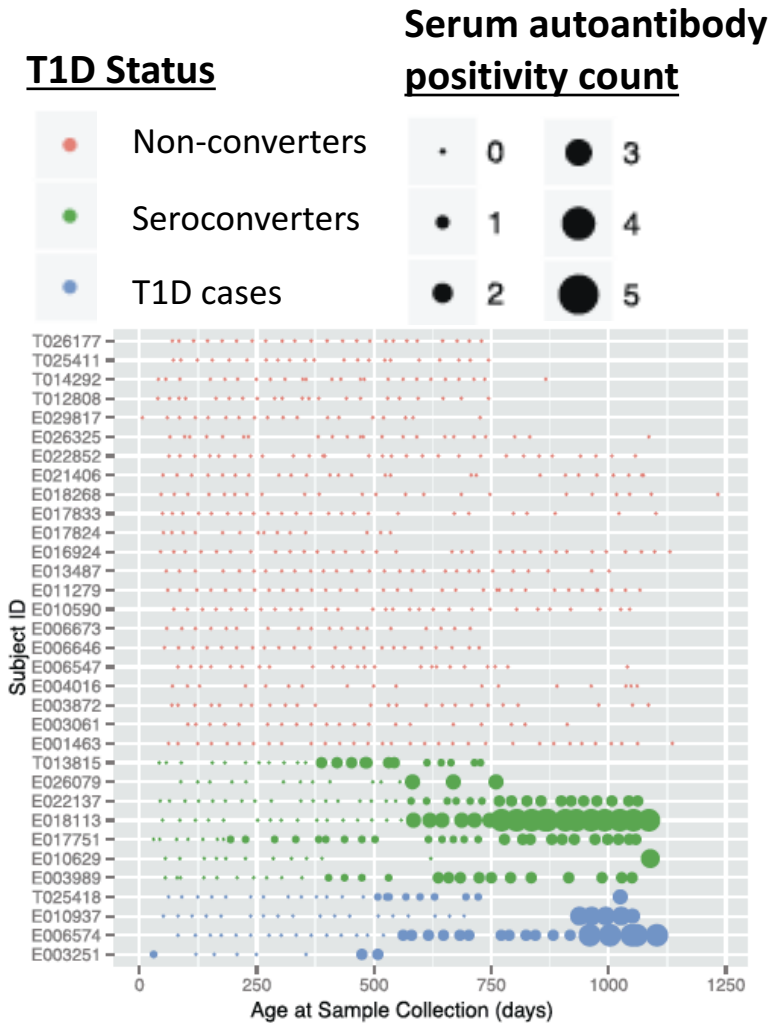
Intestinal microbiota composition over the first two years of life



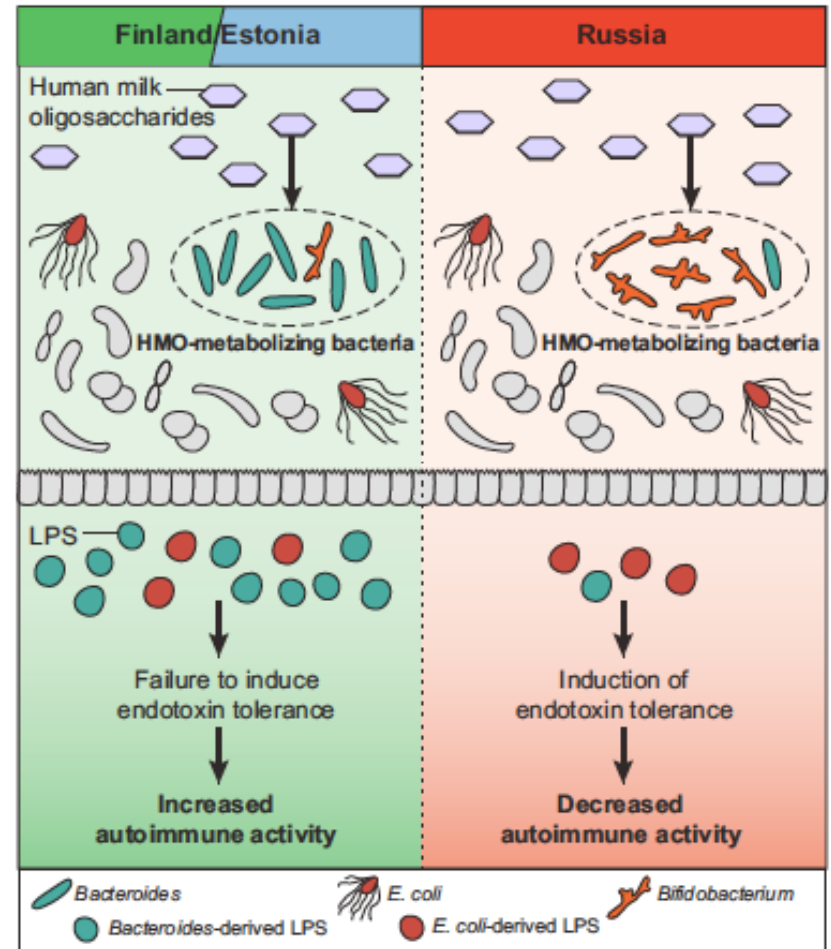
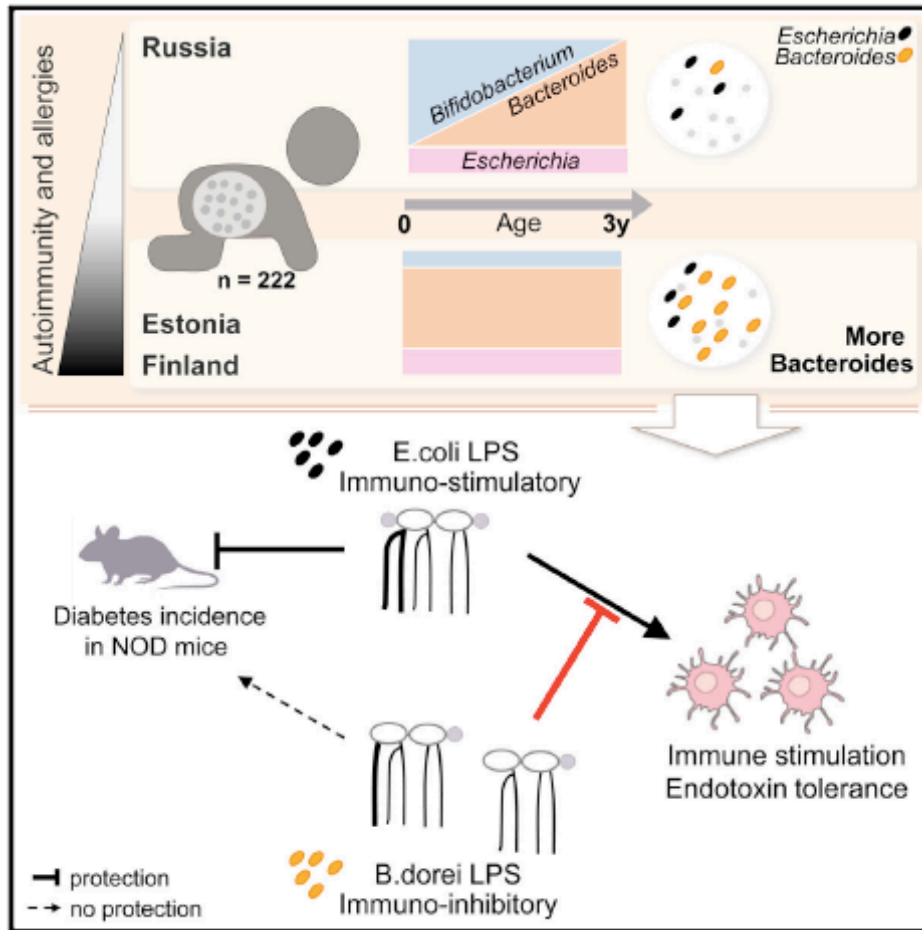
Regional variation in T1D autoantibodies



Early-life microbiota and T1D development in 33 at-risk infants from Finland and Estonia



Region-specific early-life microbiota may protect against autoimmune disease

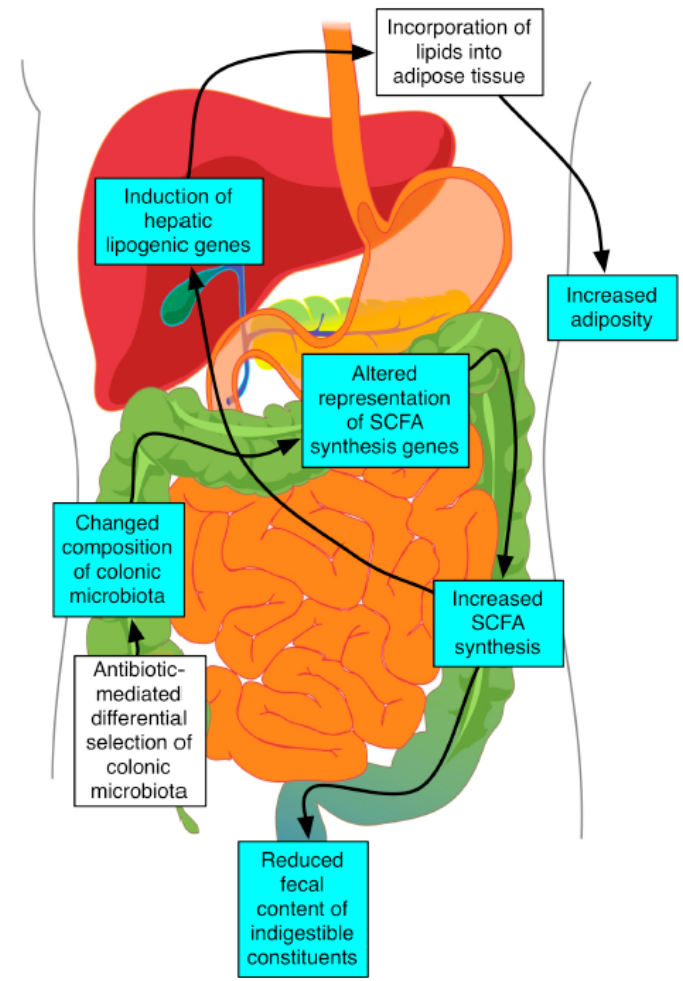
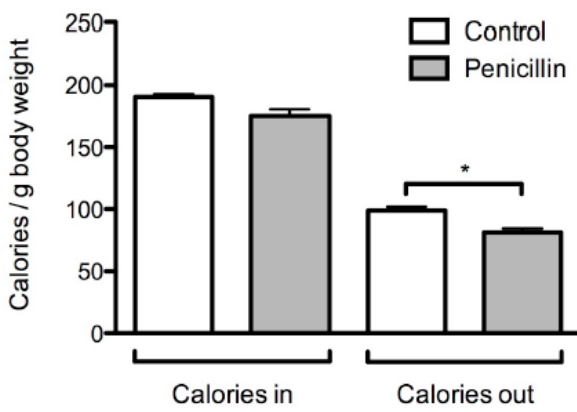
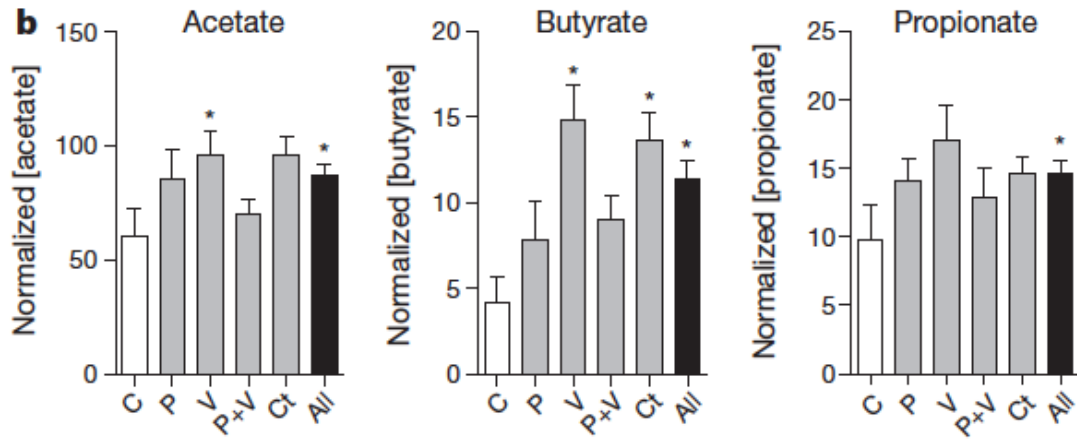


Potential Mechanisms

1. Altered milk-derived metabolites
2. Systemic immune tolerance induction

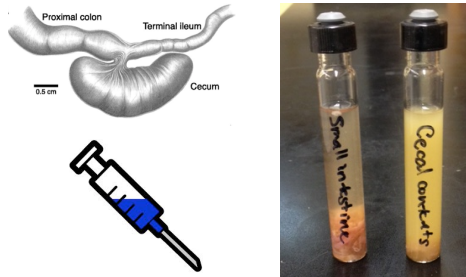
Systemic effects of sub-therapeutic antibiotic treatment

Increased cecal short-chain fatty acids



Isolating *Allobaculum*

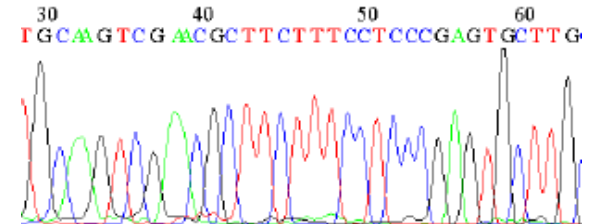
4 Microbiota Samples



Cultivation

Isolated 188
bacteria in
anaerobic
conditions

Identification

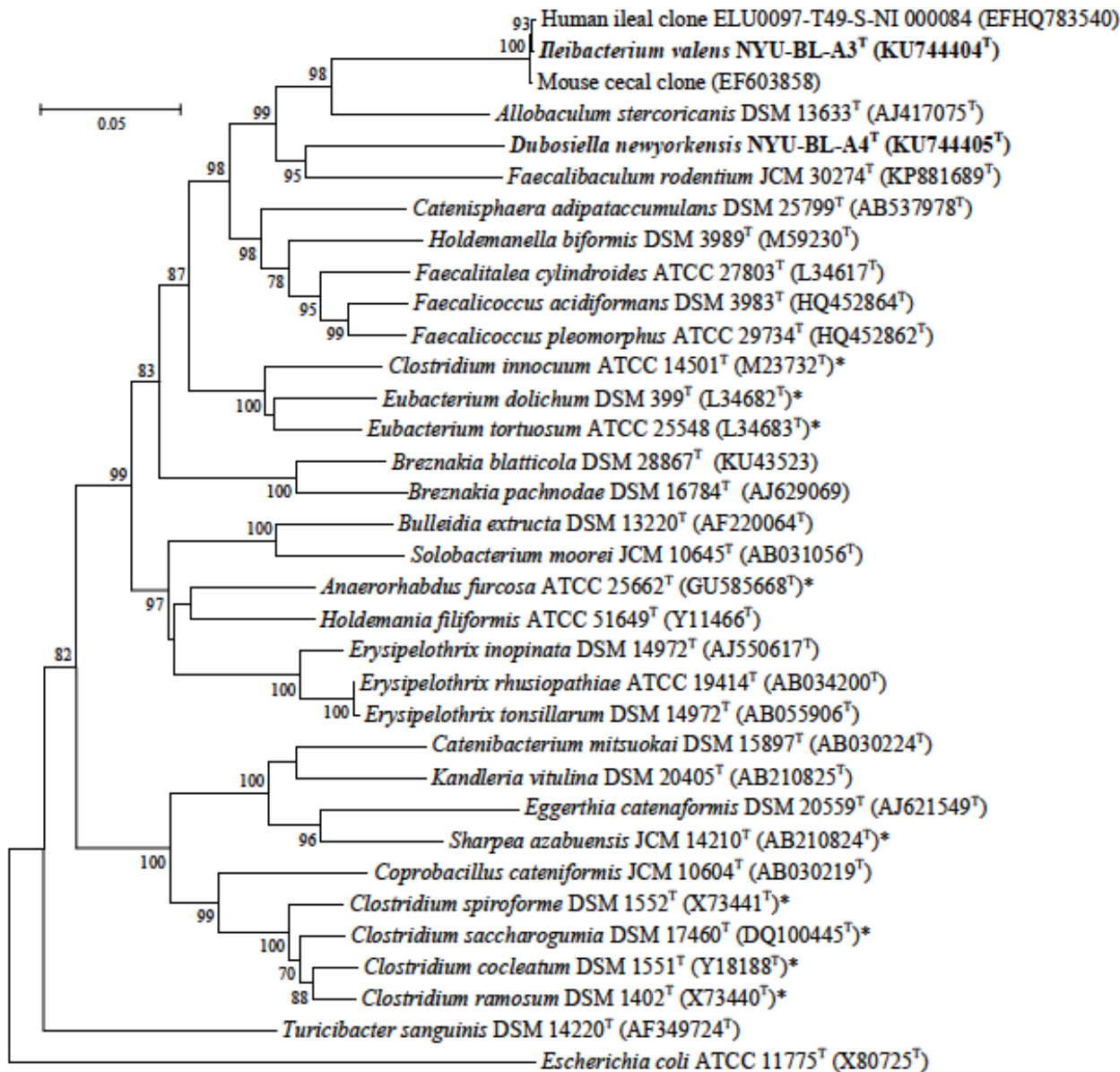


Sequenced near full length
microbial 16S rRNA

**Recovered 111
Allobaculum-like
isolates**

- Frozen mouse cecum
- Microbiota transfer inoculum
- Fresh mouse small intestine
- Fresh mouse cecal contents

Phylogeny of *Allobaculum*-like isolates

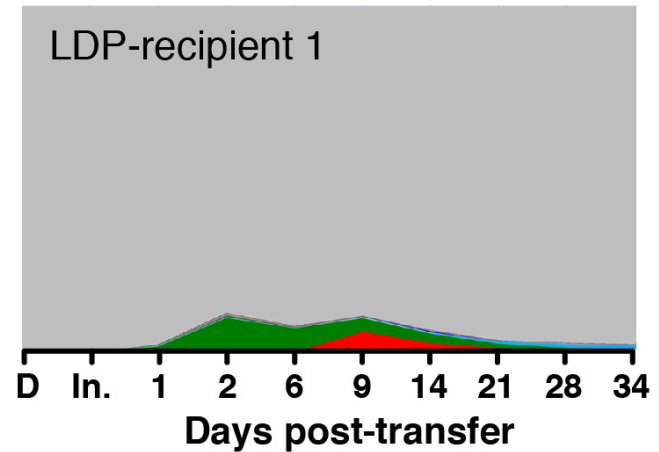
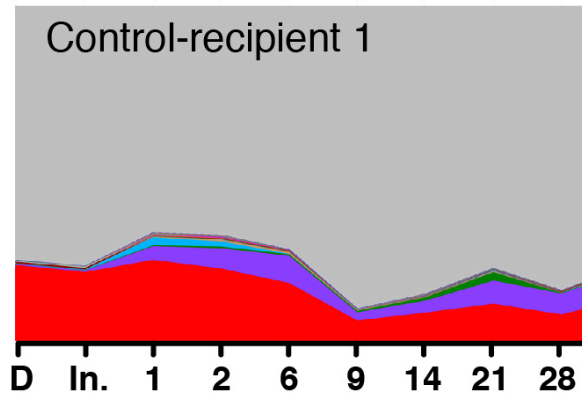
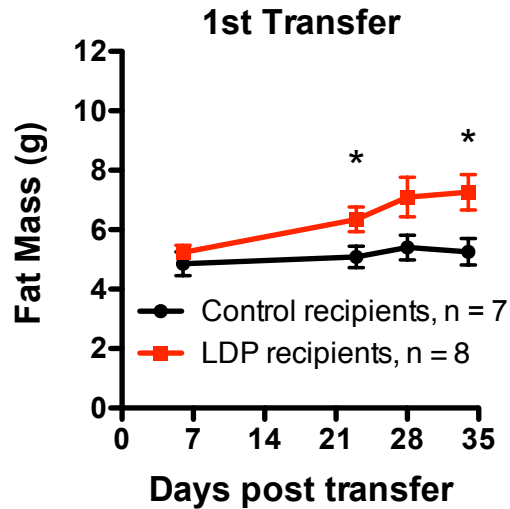


Ileibacterium valens
83 isolates recovered

Dubosiella newyorkensis
17 isolates recovered

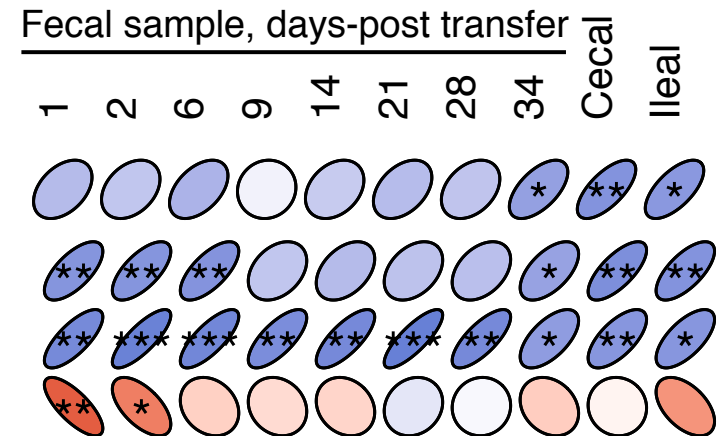
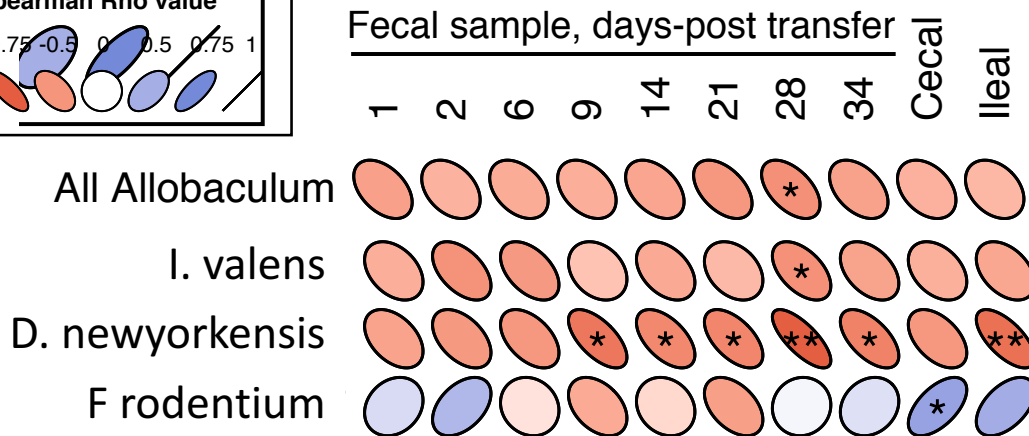
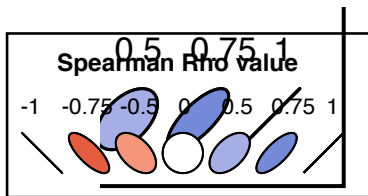
Faecalibaculum rodentium
11 isolates recovered

Strain specific correlations

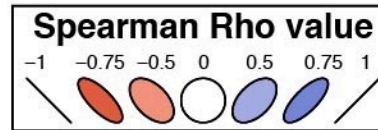


Correlation with fat mass at day 34

Correlation ileal RORyt at day 34



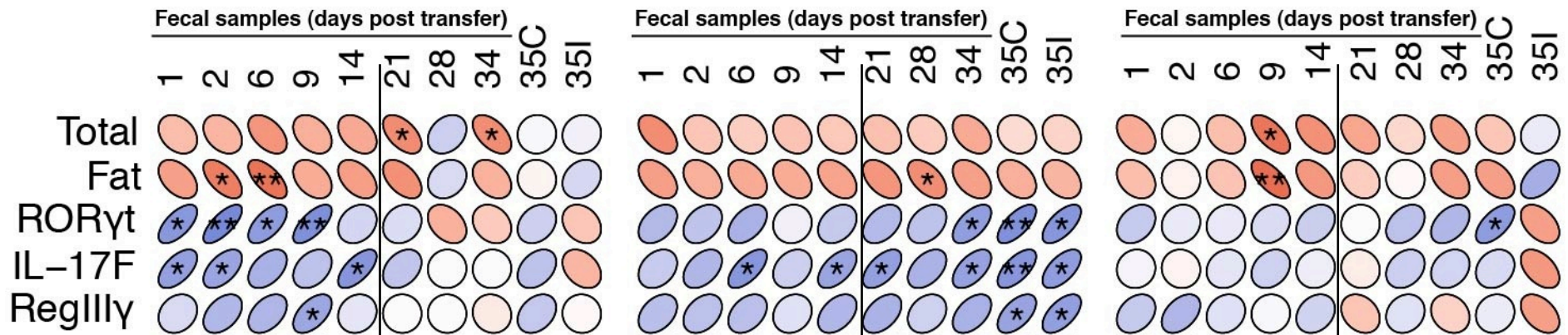
Microbe-host correlations



Lactobacillus

Allobaculum

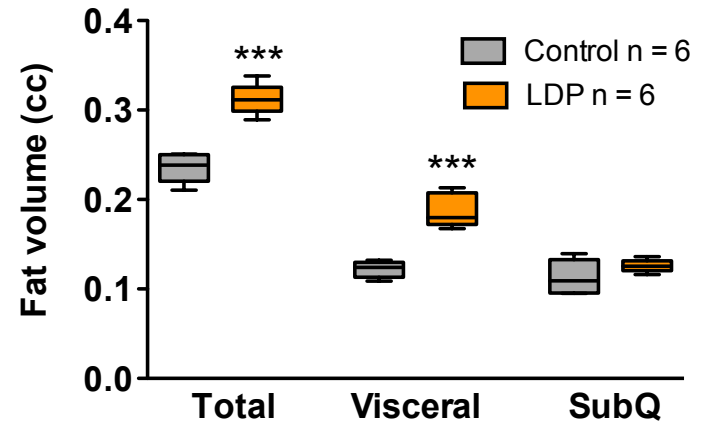
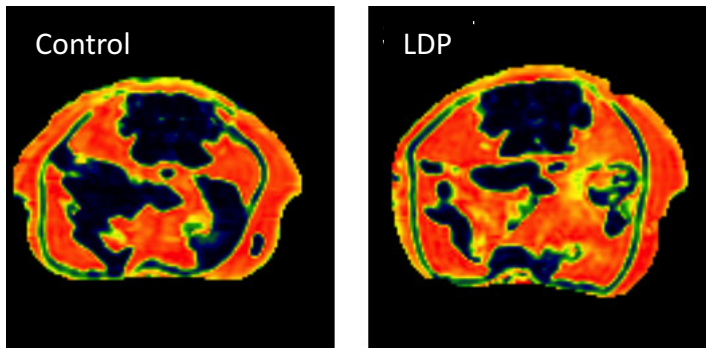
Rikenellaceae



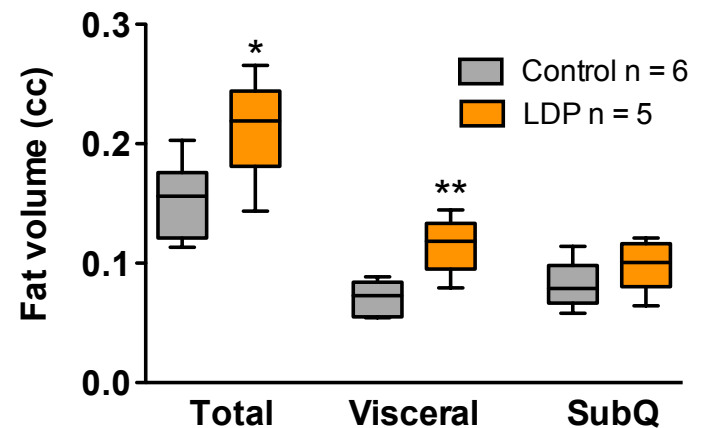
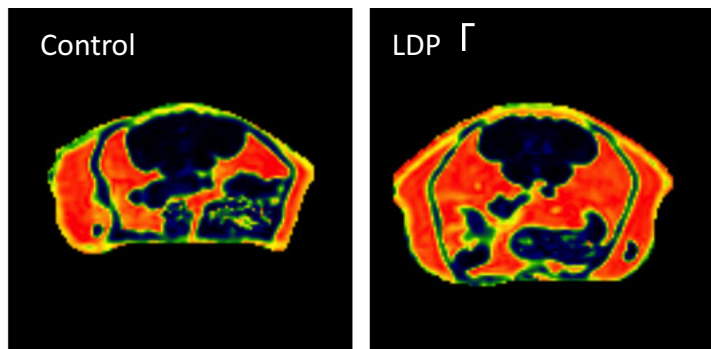
* $P < 0.05$. ** $p < 0.01$ Spearman correlation

The effect of LDP on body fat distribution

Male



Female



Percent Fat (%)



26-weeks of age, HFD

* $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.01$ T-test

Predicted effect of altered-microbiota on ileal immunologic function

Extract ileal RNA
from 8-week old control
and STAT mice and
microbiota recipients

Quantify
expression of 547
immunology genes

Detect
changes at the
gene level

Predict
changes in
biological function

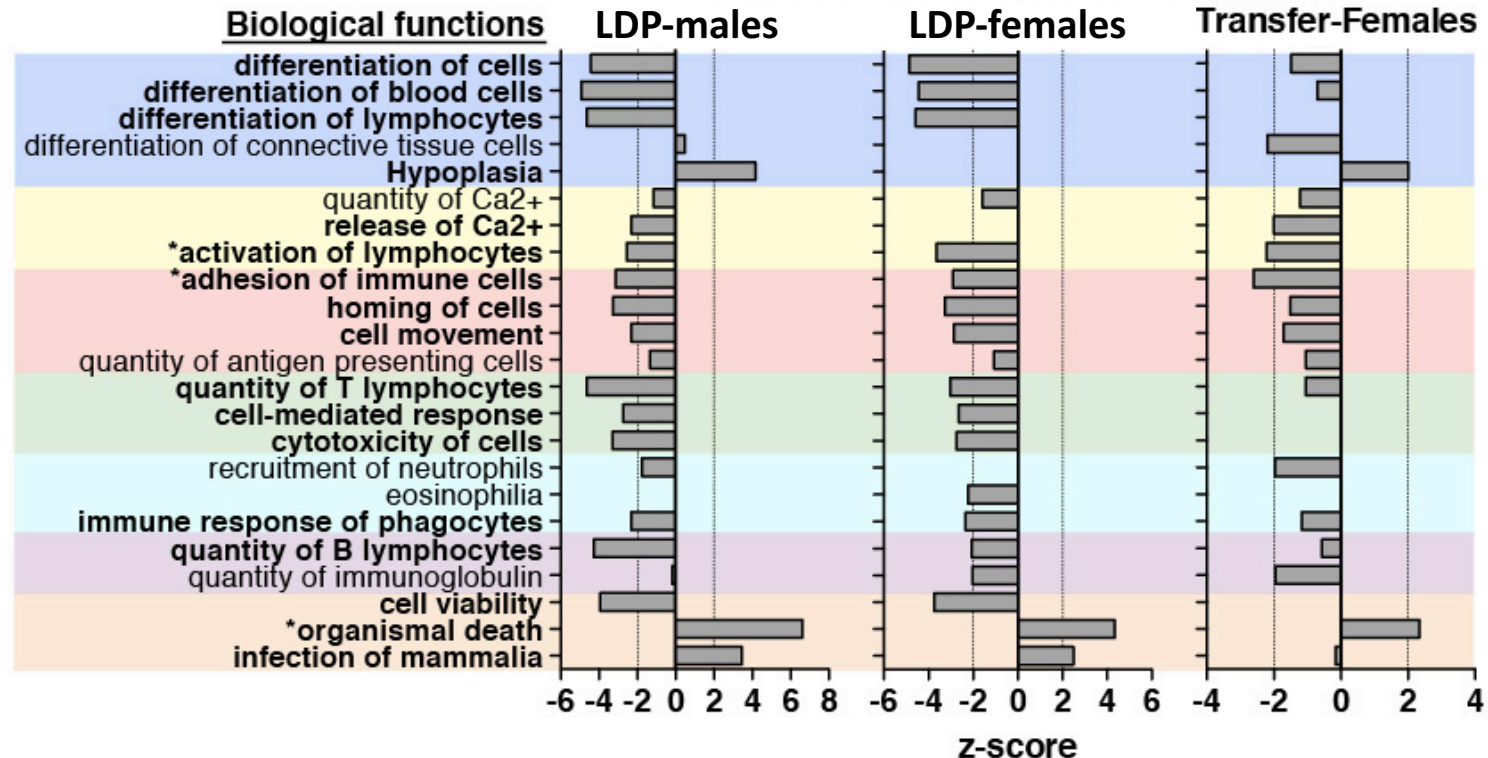


	Up	Down
LDP-Male	1	111
LDP-Female	7	74
LDP-Female	5	16

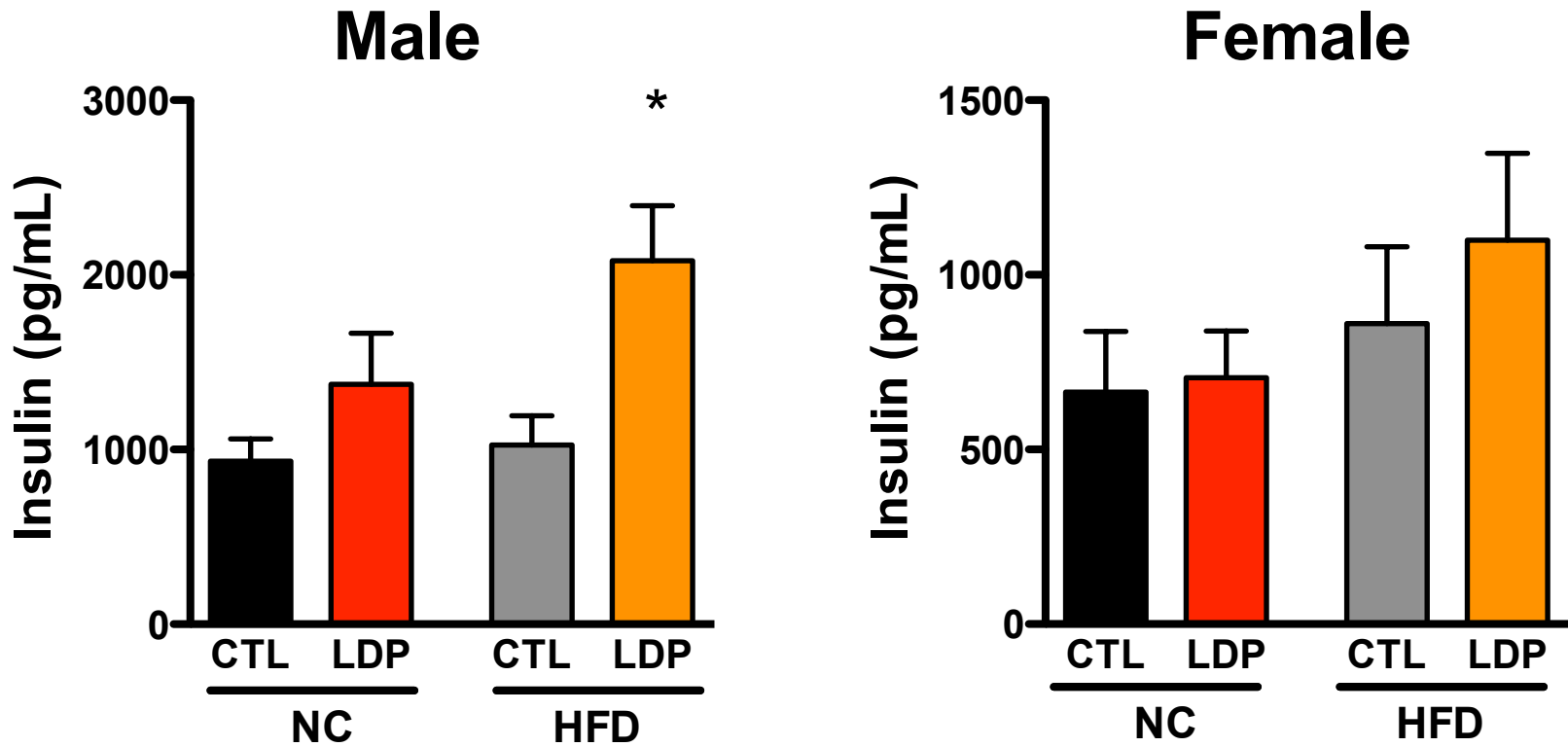


Control vs. LDP male
Control vs. LDP female
Control vs. LDP microbiota recipients

Predicted ileal biological functions

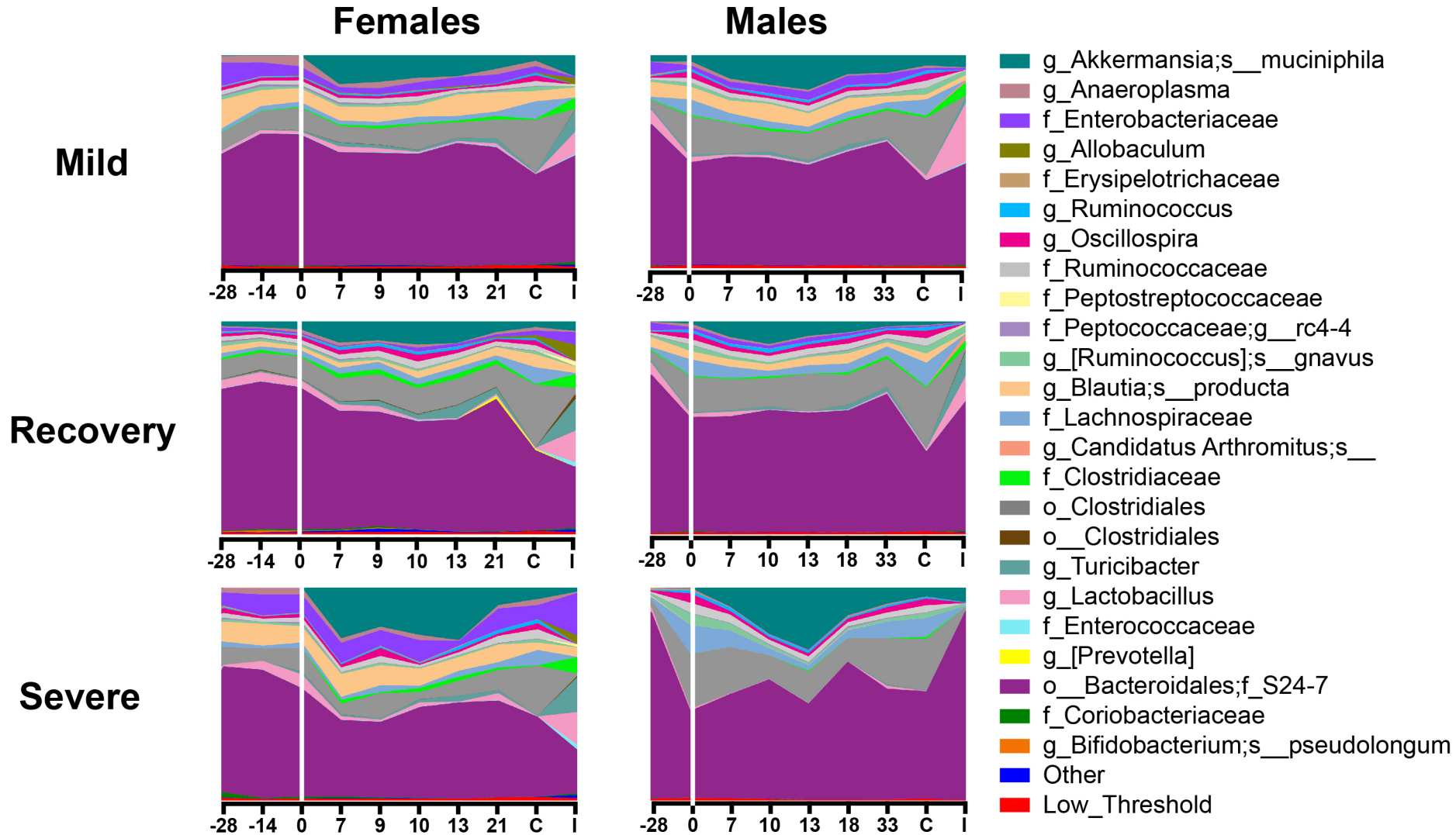


Effect of LDP and HFD on fasting insulin

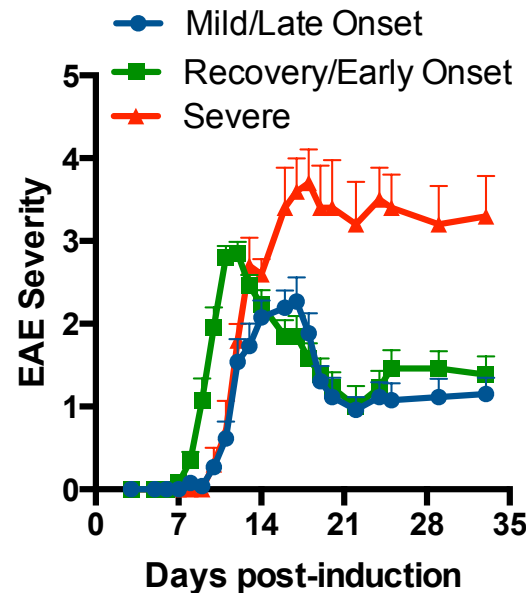
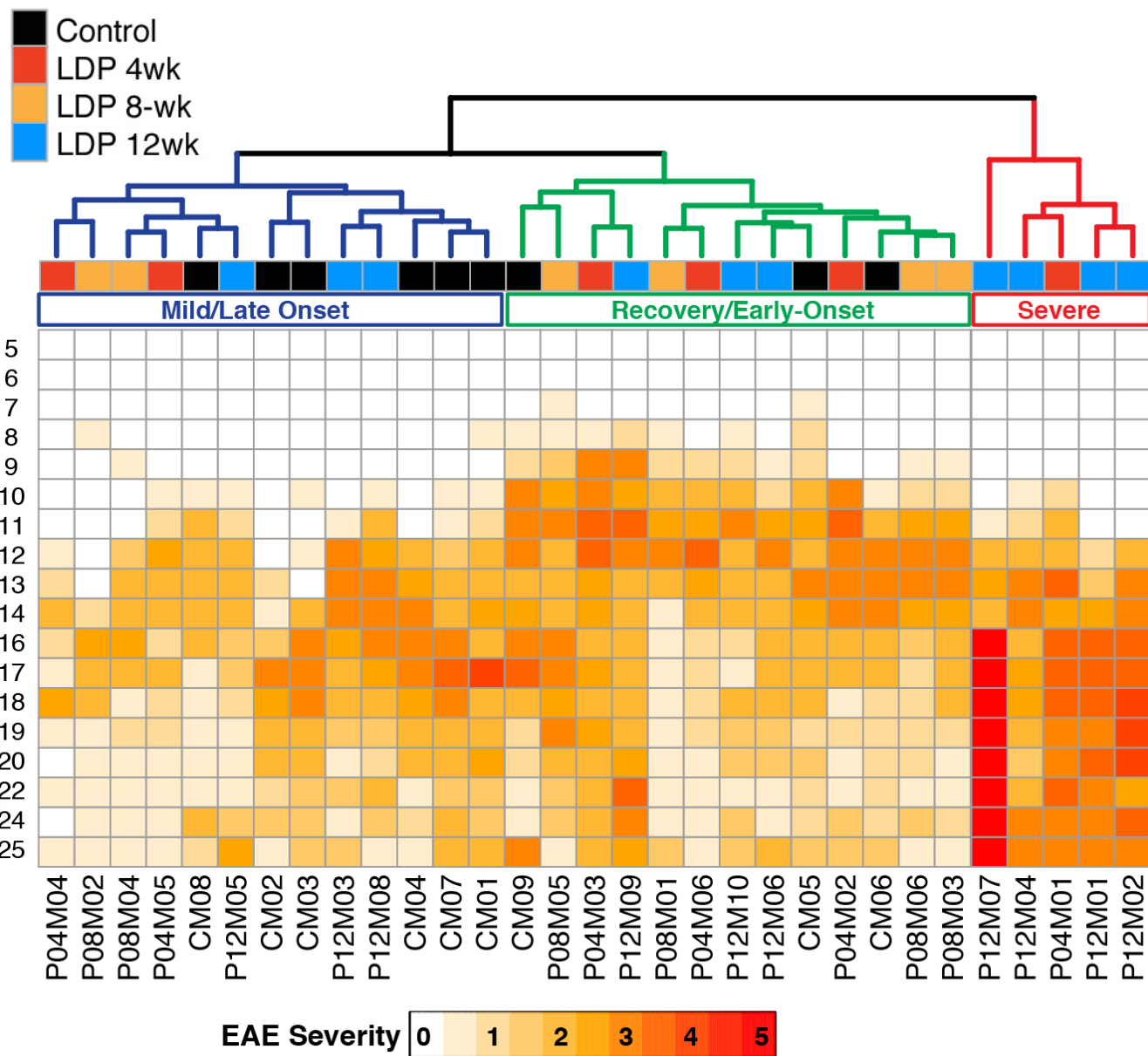


* $p < 0.05$ Mann-Whitney U test, $n = 8-10$ per group

Microbiota composition by clinical outcomes



Hierarchical clustering of EAE scores in male mice



Sex Differences in the Gut Microbiome Drive Hormone-Dependent Regulation of Autoimmunity

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- Male NOD mice have a lower incidence of type I diabetes
- Male microbiota can protect female mice from T1D
- Associated with increased levels of testosterone in female mice colonized with male microbiota