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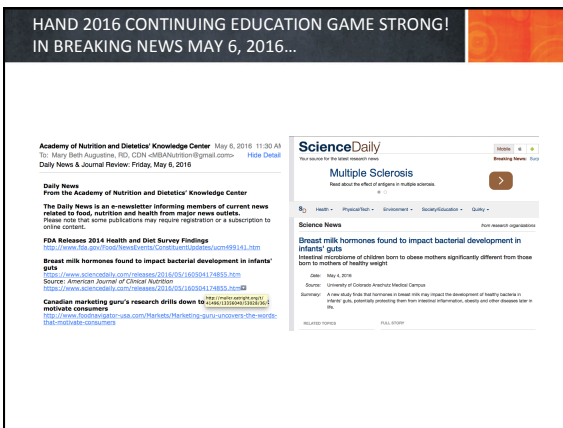
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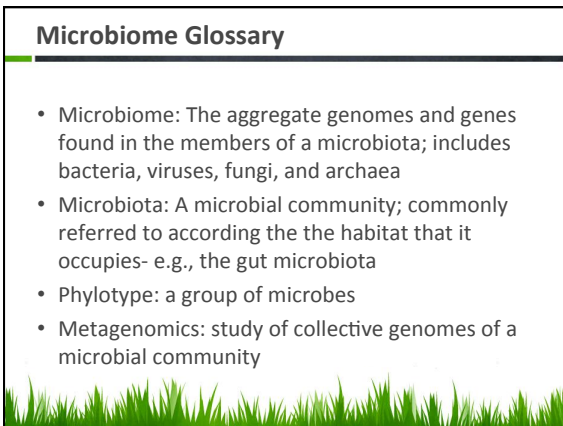
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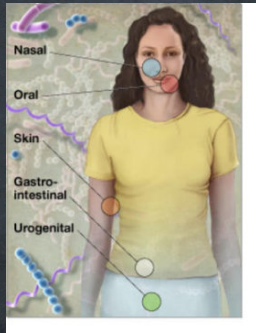
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### NIH Human Microbiome Project

- Samples collected from 15 body sites in men and 18 body sites in women
- Analyzed bacterial DNA and conducted metagenomic sequencing to study metabolic capabilities encoded in microbe genes
- Calculated that >10,000 microbial species occupy the human ecosystem!



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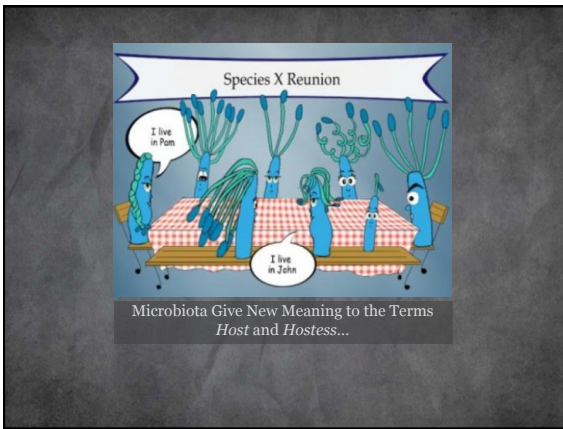
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### Microbiome 'Fingerprints'

- Personal microbiomes contain enough distinguishing features to identify an individual



Franzosa et al. (2015). *PNAS*, doi:10.1073/pnas.1423854112

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### Human 'Microbial Cloud'

- Humans emit 10<sup>6</sup> biological particles per hour
- Airborne release, direct contact with surfaces, and dust facilitate acquisition and exchange of microbes
- Study of skin, oral, and gut microbiome of cohabitating humans resemble each other- and even their companion animals!
- Adults share more microbial taxa with their dogs than they do with other dogs!



Meadow et al. (2015). Humans differ in their personal microbial cloud. DOI 10.7717/peerj.1258

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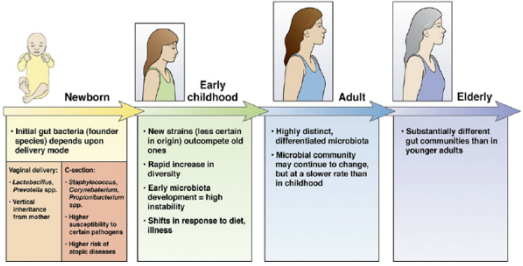
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### Lifecycle Microbiome



Newborn	Early childhood	Adult	Elderly
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial gut bacteria (founder species) depends upon delivery mode</li> </ul> <p><b>Vaginal delivery:</b> Lactobacillus, Prevotella spp.</p> <p><b>Vertical inheritance from mother:</b></p> <p><b>C-section:</b> Staphylococcus, Corynebacterium, Propionibacterium spp.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher susceptibility to certain pathogens</li> <li>Higher risk of atopic diseases</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New strains (less certain in origin) outcompete old ones</li> <li>Rapid increase in diversity</li> <li>Early microbiota development is high instability</li> <li>Shifts in response to diet, illness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highly distinct, differentiated microbiota</li> <li>Microbial community may continue to change, but at a slower rate than in childhood</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substantially different gut communities than in younger adults</li> </ul>

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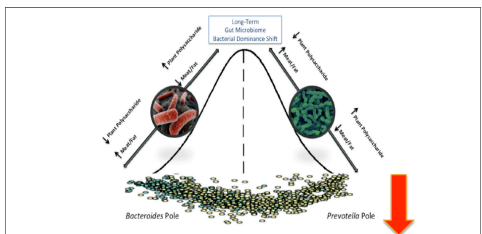
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### Adult Gut Microbiome- Transient Versus Steady State



**Long Term Gut Microbiome Bacterial Community Shift**

**Bacteroides Pole** → **Prevotellia Pole**

Disturbances: Antibiotics, Diet, Stress, Inflammation, Surgery

FIGURE 2 | The adult gut microbiome is characterized as existing in a steady state that requires a major disturbance to permanently alter that state. Short-term diet interventions may transiently alter the gut microbiome community structure, but long-term diet changes are required to shift to a new steady state.

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### Each Body Surface Has Own Microbiome

- Every surface of the human body has a unique, specific, very complex microbiome- mouth, hair, eyes, nose, ears, vagina, lungs, gut, skin
- Each microbiome has distinct functions
- The gut microbiome has been described as an *organ within an organ*, a *super organ*, and a *potent bioreactor* which controls numerous metabolic functions- many of which remain unrecognized




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### Eye Microbiota Changes with Contact Lenses

- Associated with microbial keratitis and inflammatory eye conditions
- Wearing contact lenses changes eye microbiota to more similar to that of skin microbiota
- Further research is needed to determine effect on ocular infections and diseases



American Society for Microbiology, March/April 2016, 7(2): e00198-16.




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### Salivary Microbiome in Health and Disease

#### DNA RESEARCH

DNA Res. 2014 Feb; 2(1):1-16-26. PMID: PMC3903391

#### Dysbiosis of Salivary Microbiota in Inflammatory Bowel Disease and Its Association With Oral Immunological Biomarkers

India S, Saito T, Miyata S, Suda T, Shirami N, Nakajima K, Hiroshi Chinen, Kanaohe Oshima, Sangwan Kim, Tetsuaki Shimizu, Atsushi Inaba, Hajime Ishida, Jim Fujita, Shuhei Maruo, Hidetsugu Morita, Taeko Dori, Hiroki Ohta, and Masahito Higashi

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#### Abstract

Analysis of microbiota in various biological and environmental samples under a variety of conditions has recently become more practical due to remarkable advances in next-generation sequencing. Changes leading to specific biological states including some of the more complex diseases can now be characterized with relative ease. It is known that gut microbiota is involved in the pathogenesis of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), mainly Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, exhibiting symptoms in the gastrointestinal tract. Recent studies also showed increased frequency of oral manifestations among IBD patients, indicating alterations in the oral microbiota. Based on these observations, we analyzed the composition of salivary microbiota of 35 IBD patients by 454 pyrosequencing of the bacterial 16S rDNA gene and compared it with that of 24 healthy controls (HCs). The results showed that Bacteroidetes was significantly increased with a concurrent decrease in Proteobacteria in the salivary microbiota of IBD patients. The dominant genera, Streptococcus, Prevotella, Neisseria, Haemophilus, Veillonella, and Gemella, were found to largely contribute to dysbiosis (dysbiosis) observed in the salivary microbiota of IBD patients. Analysis of immunological biomarkers in the saliva of IBD patients showed elevated levels of many inflammatory cytokines and immunoglobulin A, and a lower lysozyme level. A strong correlation was shown between lysozyme and IL-10 levels and the relative abundance of Streptococcus, Prevotella, Haemophilus and Veillonella. Our data demonstrate that dysbiosis of salivary microbiota is associated with inflammatory responses in IBD patients, suggesting that it is possibly linked to dysbiosis of their gut microbiota.




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### Skin Microbiome

- Skin has myriad bacteria, fungi and viruses linked to health and disease
- Great differences in individuals
- Great differences in anatomical region of skin
- Critical barrier function for immunity
- Dysfunctional epidermal barrier involved in antigen-driven skin disease, allergic disease, and psoriasis

Legend:

- Acidobacteria
- Actinobacteria
- Bacteroidetes
- Clostridia
- Deferribacteres
- Firmicutes
- Planctomycetes
- Proteobacteria
- Chloroflexi
- Chlorobi
- Opiliones
- Arachnida
- Insecta
- Mollusca
- Chelicerata
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### Gut Microbiome- Functions of Microbiota

- Preserve mucosal barrier function (aka permeability)
- Modulate intestinal immunity
- Maturation of gut-associated lymphatic tissue (GALT)
- Secretion of IgA and antimicrobial peptides
- Trophic and developmental functions on intestinal mucosa
- Bile acid metabolism
- Eicosanoid synthesis
- Steroid hormone synthesis
- Potent 'bioreactor' of indigestible food substances- converting by fermentation to SCFA, nutrients, antioxidants, vitamins, and productions of thousands of unique substances- many of which remain unrecognized

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Dominant gut phyla: **Bacteroidetes, Firmicutes, Actinobacteria, Proteobacteria, Verrucomicrobia**

Predominant families in the:

- Small Intestine: **Lactobacillaceae, Enterobacteriaceae**
- Colon: **Bacteroidaceae, Prevotellaceae, Rikenellaceae, Lachnospiraceae, Ruminococcaceae**
- Inter-fold regions: **Lactococcaceae, Ruminococcaceae**
- Digesta: **Bacteroidaceae, Prevotellaceae, Roseburriaceae**

Bacterial load:  $10^7$  cfu/g<sup>1</sup> (proximal) to  $10^{11}$  cfu/g<sup>1</sup> (distal)

pH: (proximal to distal)

Antimicrobials: (proximal to distal)

Oxygen: (proximal to distal)

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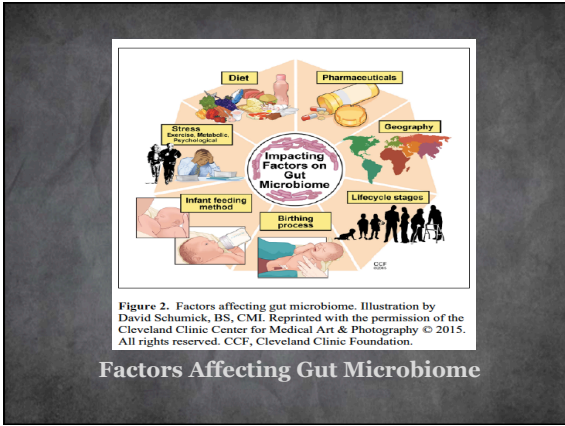


Figure 2. Factors affecting gut microbiome. Illustration by David Schumick, BS, CMI. Reprinted with the permission of the Cleveland Clinic Center for Medical Art & Photography © 2015. All rights reserved. CCF, Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

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### How Important is Diet to the Microbiome?

- “Of all the environmental factors studied to date, diet has the largest known impact on the gut microbiota in healthy as well as sick humans.”

Bengmark, S. (2013). Processed foods, dysbiosis, systemic inflammation, and poor health. *Current Nutrition and Food Science*, 9, 113-143.

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### Diet-Microbiome Pathways and Disease Risk

Figure 3

Possible Relevance to Disease:	Acceleration of Coronary Vascular Disease?	Reduce disease activity in IBD?
<b>Diet:</b>	Choline*	Fiber (Glycans)*
<b>Intestinal Microbiome Enzymatic Function:</b>	Choline-TMA Lyases*	Fermentative enzymes in the production of propionate and butyrate*
<b>Bacterial Metabolite:</b>	TMA	Short Chain Fatty Acids*
<b>Host Cellular Targeting:</b>	Hepatic Conversion of TMA to TMAO	Activation of GPCRs*
<b>Physiologic Impact on Host:</b>	Alteration of cholesterol transport?	Augmentation of Tregs, restoration of mucosal immune tolerance

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**Table 2** Indications for associations between the microbiota and health aberrations, provided as an alphabetical listing of the aberrations suggested to be associated with the intestinal microbiota, along with support for such an association.

Disease or aberration	Type of support	Reference <sup>a</sup>
Alzheimer's disease	Microbiota in a mouse model of Alzheimer's disease	Karri et al. 2010 <sup>103</sup>
Atherosclerosis	Analysis of plaques in humans	Koren et al. 2011 <sup>104</sup>
Autistic spectrum disorders	Analysis of mucosa in children with autism spectrum disorders	Williams et al. 2011 <sup>105</sup>
Chronic fatigue syndrome	Cultured microbiota in patients with chronic fatigue syndrome	Sheedy et al. 2009 <sup>106</sup>
Colic babies	Longitudinal analysis of colic babies cohort	de Weerth et al. 2012 unpublished data
Cardiovascular disease	Cardiovascular-diseased mice and microbial metabolism	Wang et al. 2011 <sup>96</sup>
Depression and anxiety	Probiotic intervention in stressed mice	Bravo et al. 2011 <sup>14</sup>
Frailty	Analysis of elderly and high frailty scores	van Tongeren et al. 2005 <sup>107</sup>
Graft-vs-host disease	Review of human data on graft-vs-host disease	Murphy et al. 2011 <sup>108</sup>
Multiple sclerosis	Involvement of microbiota in mice with multiple sclerosis	Berer et al. 2011 <sup>109</sup>
Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease	Effect of choline depletion in humans	Spencer et al. 2011 <sup>101</sup>
Parkinson's disease	Role of enteric nervous system and review of Parkinson's disease development	Braak et al. 2003 <sup>110</sup>
Rheumatoid arthritis	Microbiota as predisposing factor in rheumatoid arthritis	Scher and Abramson 2011 <sup>111</sup>
Retrovirus infection	Mouse retrovirus infection relies on microbiota	Kane et al. 2011 <sup>112</sup>
Polliovirus infection	Mouse microbiota promotes poliovirus infection	Kuss et al. 2011 <sup>113</sup>

<sup>a</sup> The most recent single reference is given.




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**Microbiome: Ancestral vs. Modern Western Diet**

- Decreased cooking with wood fire
- Decreased preservation of meat and fish with wood smoke
- Increased canning and refrigeration
- Sterilization techniques and 'controlled fermentation'
- Paleo ancestors consumed fresh greens, young leaves, flowers, ripe and unripe fruits, fresh and dried seeds, roots, tubers, piths, bark, and insects (same diet as wild chimps today!)
- Modern Western diet- 50% refined carbohydrates cooked at very high temperature- rice, bread pasta, potato, other tubers; 30% animal products and refined oils; 20% of foods similar to ancestors
- In contrast, Asian, Middle Eastern, and African diets still still contain many foods preserved and prepared through traditional methods
- Studies reveal microbiome differences seen between indigenous tribes, rural, and urban/industrialized individuals

Bengmark, S. (2013). Processed foods, dysbiosis, systemic inflammation, and poor health. *Current Nutrition and Food Science*, 9, 113-143.




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**Western Versus Prudent Diet Study**

- 1 month crossover study
- On Western diet 71% increase in plasma endotoxin
- On Prudent diet 31% decrease in plasma endotoxin

Pendyala, et al. (2012). A high fat diet is associated with endotoxemia that arises from the gut. *Gastroenterology*, 142: 1100-1.




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### 'Bacterial Penetration Cycle' Hypothesis

- Hypothesis that dietary components may be able to cause a *localized acquired bacterial clearance defect*
- Leading to *bacterial adhesion and penetration* and subsequent inflammation in the gut



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### Increased Intestinal Permeability- a.k.a. 'Leaky Gut'



- Stress
- NSAIDs and other medications
- Alcohol
- Toxic exposures
- Food antigens
- Wheat proteins- gluten/ gliadin and amylase trypsin inhibitors (ATIs)
- Inflammation
- Malnutrition
- Low fiber diet
- High intake processed foods
- Artificial sweeteners



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### Leaky Gut, Bacterial Translocation, & Dysbiosis

- Leakage over the membrane of various tissues of damaging
  - Microbial toxins
  - Endotoxins
  - Food-derived proteotoxins
  - Advanced glycation endpoints (AGEs)
  - Advanced lipoxidation endpoints (ALEs)
  - Bacterial debris and whole dead or live bacteria

Bengmark, S. (2013). Processed foods, dysbiosis, systemic inflammation, and poor health. *Current Nutrition and Food Science*, 9, 113-143.



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### Dysbiosis, Leaky Barriers & Disease: Beyond Leaky Gut

- **Leaky oral cavity:** gingivitis, periodontitis, and gingival bleeding associated with increased CVD risk; salivary enzymes include **lysozomal enzymes for destroying bacteria cell walls**
- **Leaky skin:** drug delivery effective and reliable; translocation of chemicals and microbes with intact skin through hair follicles; burn patients sepsis and multi-organ system failure via skin
- **Leaky airways:** endothelial gaps leak plasma and inflammatory mediator compounds, accompanied by leukocyte influx; microbiota studies in airway disease of asthma, CF, COPD, ventilated infants




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### Dysbiosis, Leaky Barriers & Disease: Beyond Leaky Gut

- **Leaky placenta:** recent studies reveal pathogens in amniotic cavity from the mother's oral cavity, gut or other sites, which contributes to preterm labor and birth; umbilical cord blood of healthy neonates found to have bacterial species; chorioamnionitis inflammatory condition due to microbial invasion
- **Leaky vagina/female reproductive tract (FRT):** FRT evolved with unique immune mechanisms to protect against potential pathogenic bacterial and viral STDs, allogeneic spermatazoa, and immunologically developing fetus; vaginal infections
- **Leaky blood brain barrier (BBB):** microvascular endothelium tight junctions between BBB, CSF, and CNS; disruption of these barriers results in neurodegenerative disease, sepsis, encephalopathies




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### Alcohol Induces Endotoxemia, Dysbiosis, Leaky Gut, and Gut Inflammation

Biomolecules. 2015 Dec; 5(4): 2573-2586. PMID: PMC4593248  
 Published online 2015 Oct 15. doi: 10.3390/biom5042073

#### Alcohol and the Intestine

Sheena Patel,<sup>1,†</sup> Rama Behara,<sup>1,†</sup> Garth R. Swanson,<sup>1,†</sup> Christopher B. Forsyth,<sup>1,2,†</sup> Robin M. Voigt,<sup>1,†</sup> and Ali Keshavarzian<sup>1,3,4,5,†</sup>

Natasha Oera, Academic Editor and Kusum Kharbanda, Academic Editor  
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**Abstract** Go to:

Alcohol abuse is a significant contributor to the global burden of disease and can lead to tissue damage and organ dysfunction in a subset of alcoholics. However, a subset of alcoholics without any of these predisposing factors can develop alcohol-mediated organ injury. The gastrointestinal tract (GI) could be an important source of inflammation in alcohol-mediated organ damage. The purpose of review was to evaluate mechanisms of alcohol-induced endotoxemia (including dysbiosis and gut leakiness), and highlight the predisposing factors for alcohol-induced dysbiosis and gut leakiness to endotoxins. Barriers, including immunologic, physical, and biochemical can regulate the passage of toxins into the portal and systemic circulation. In addition, a host of environmental interactions including those influenced by circadian rhythms can impact alcohol-induced organ pathology. There appears to be a role for therapeutic measures to mitigate alcohol-induced organ damage by normalizing intestinal dysbiosis and/or improving intestinal barrier integrity. Ultimately, the inflammatory process that drives progression into organ damage from alcohol appears to be multifactorial. Understanding the role of the intestine in the pathogenesis of alcoholic liver disease can pose further avenues for pathogenic and treatment approaches.

**Keywords:** alcohol, dysbiosis, endotoxemia, gut leakiness




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# Alcohol, Circadian Rhythms, and Melatonin Abnormalities Impact Leaky Gut

Alcohol, 2015 Jun 4;94(3):389-98. doi: 10.1016/j.alcohol.2014.07.021. Epub 2014 Nov 14.  
Circadian rhythms, alcohol and gut interactions.  
Forsyth CB<sup>1</sup>, Voigt RM<sup>2</sup>, Burgess LS<sup>3</sup>, Swanson GR<sup>2</sup>, Keshavarzian A<sup>4</sup>.

**Abstract**  
The circadian clock establishes rhythms throughout the body with an approximately 24 hour period that affect expression of hundreds of genes. Epidemiological data reveal chronic circadian misalignment, common in our society, significantly increases the risk for a myriad of diseases, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer, infertility and gastrointestinal diseases. Disruption of intestinal barrier function, also known as gut leakiness, is especially important in alcoholic liver disease (ALD). Several studies have shown that alcohol causes ALD in only a 20-30% subset of alcoholics. Thus, a better understanding is needed of why only a subset of alcoholics develops ALD. Compelling evidence shows that increased gut leakiness to microbial products and especially LPS play a critical role in the pathogenesis of ALD. Clock and other circadian clock genes have been shown to regulate lipid transport, motility and other gut functions. We hypothesized that one possible mechanism for alcohol-induced intestinal hyperpermeability is through disruption of central or peripheral (intestinal) circadian regulation. In support of this hypothesis, our recent data shows that disruption of circadian rhythms makes the gut more susceptible to injury. Our in vitro data show that alcohol stimulates increased Clock and Per2 circadian clock proteins and that siRNA knockdown of these proteins prevents alcohol-induced permeability. We also show that intestinal Cyp2b1-mediated oxidative stress is required for alcohol-induced upregulation of Clock and Per2 and intestinal hyperpermeability. Our mouse model of chronic alcohol feeding shows that circadian disruption through genetics (in ClockΔ19 mice) or environmental disruption by weekly 12h phase shifting results in gut leakiness alone and exacerbates alcohol-induced gut leakiness and liver pathology. Our data in human alcoholics show they exhibit abnormal melatonin profiles characteristic of circadian disruption. Taken together our data support circadian mechanisms for alcohol-induced gut leakiness that could provide new therapeutic targets for ALD.  
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**KEYWORDS:** Alcohol; Circadian rhythms; Cyp2b1; Dysbiosis; Intestinal permeability; Per2



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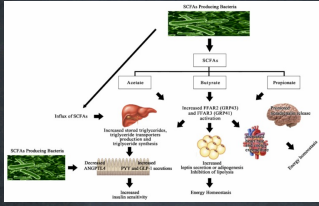
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## Short Chain Fatty Acids (SCFA)

- Microbes liberate SCFA from indigestible dietary fibers
- SCFA are an important energy source for intestinal mucosa
- SCFA are critical for modulating immune responses and tumorigenesis in the gut
- SCFA play a role in leptin secretion, adipogenesis, and inhibition of lipolysis
- Butyrate is the most abundant SCFA in the gut



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**Iron, Magnesium, and Fiber Gaps, Oh My!**

- Iron deficient rats show significantly lower levels of butyrate and proprionate and changes in dominant microbial species
- Mg+ is involved in > 300 biochemical processes, including microbial multiplication; mice deprived of Mg+ for just 2 days reveal significant reduction in gut bifidobacteria
- Fiber gap is associated with decreased microbial diversity and number



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**Global Dietary Diversity, Agricultural Diversity, Soil Diversity, and Microbial Diversity**

- Compelling evidence for decreased gut microbial diversity with industrialization is seen in comparisons of gut microbiota of individuals living in
  - South America
  - New Guinea
  - Africa
  - Europe
  - USA- \*\*\**In African Americans, change to a traditional South African diet with 55g fiber/d improved colon cancer markers in 2 weeks! (O'Keefe et al., 2015)*

Deehan & Waters. (May 2016). The fiber gap and the disappearing gut microbiome: Implications for human nutrition. *Trends in Endocrinology and Metabolism*, 27(5), 239-241.



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**MICROBIOME AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE (CVD)**



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### How What's in Your Gut Can Affect Your Heart Health

Mediterranean diet, or a diet focused on plants can help you reduce your risk

March 24, 2016 / By Heart & Vascular Team



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The diagram illustrates the metabolic pathway where gut microbiota convert phosphatidylcholine into TMA, which is then oxidized to TMAO. This process is linked to altered bile acid and cholesterol transport, leading to atherosclerosis and vulnerable plaques. It also shows that TMAO is associated with resting platelets, platelet hyperactivity, and enhanced thrombosis, which are characteristic of a vulnerable patient. The diagram also mentions altered bile acid and sterol metabolism, and links to heart attack, stroke, and heart failure. A news snippet from Cell magazine is also visible, titled 'Gut Microbial Metabolite TMAO Enhances Platelet Hyperactivity and Thrombosis Risk'.

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### Microbiota and Cardiovascular Disease (CVD)

- Microbial metabolism of dietary phosphatidylcholine into the proatherosclerotic metabolite trimethylamine-N-oxide (TMAO)
- TMAO levels are associated with increased risk for CVD and cardiac events
- Vegan diets are associated with low TMAO levels
- Omnivorous and carnivorous diets are associated with higher TMAO levels
- TMAO is associated with toxic products of sulfate-reducing bacteria, such as hydrogen sulfide, which is toxic for colon cells and inhibits phagocytosis, bactericide, and butyrate utilization



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### Probiotics- Proposed Mechanisms for Lowering Cholesterol

- Deconjugation of bile via bile salt hydrolase activity
- Binding of cholesterol to probiotic cellular surface and incorporation into their cell membrane
- Production of SCFAs from oligosaccharides
- Co-precipitation of cholesterol with deconjugated bile
- Cholesterol conversion to coprostanol

Ishimwe et al. (2015) *Molecular Nutrition and Food Research*, 58(1), 94-105.

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## IT'S ALL ABOUT THE MATERNAL AND PEDIATRIC BUGS

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### Obesity Influences Maternal Bacterial Load and Bacterial Diversity in Pregnancy

Pediatr Res. 2015 Jan;77(1-2):196-204. doi: 10.1038/pr.2014.169. Epub 2014 Oct 14.

**Of the bugs that shape us: maternal obesity, the gut microbiome, and long-term disease risk.**

Gohir W<sup>1</sup>, Ratcliffe EJ<sup>2</sup>, Sibbald DM<sup>2</sup>.

**Author Information**

**Abstract**

Chronic disease risk is inextricably linked to our early-life environment, where maternal, fetal, and childhood factors predict disease risk later in life. Currently, maternal obesity is a key predictor of childhood obesity and metabolic complications in adulthood. Although the mechanisms are unclear, new and emerging evidence points to our microbiome, where the bacterial composition of the gut modulates the weight gain and altered metabolism that drives obesity. Over the course of pregnancy, maternal bacterial load increases, and gut bacterial diversity changes and is influenced by pre-pregnancy- and pregnancy-related obesity. Alterations in the bacterial composition of the mother have been shown to affect the development and function of the gastrointestinal tract of her offspring. How these microbial shifts influence the maternal-fetal-infant relationship is a topic of hot debate. This paper will review the evidence linking nutrition, maternal obesity, the maternal gut microbiome, and fetal gut development, bringing together clinical observations in humans and experimental data from targeted animal models.

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## Maternal Obesity Is Associated with Alterations in the Gut Microbiome in Toddlers

Jeffrey D. Galley<sup>1</sup>, Michael Bailey<sup>1,2\*</sup>, Claire Kamp Dush<sup>3</sup>, Sarah Schoppe-Sullivan<sup>3</sup>, Lisa M. Christian<sup>2,4,5,6</sup>

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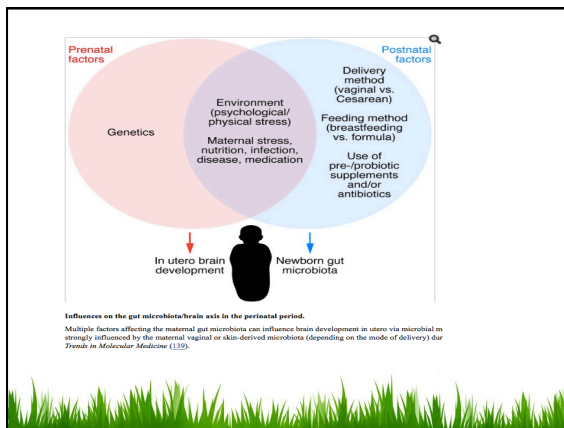
### Abstract

Children born to obese mothers are at increased risk for obesity, but the mechanisms behind this association are not fully delineated. A novel possible pathway linking maternal and child weight is the transmission of obesogenic microbes from mother to child. The current study examined whether maternal obesity was associated with differences in the composition of the gut microbiome in children in early life. Fecal samples from children 18–27 months of age (n = 77) were analyzed by pyro-tag 16S sequencing. Significant effects of maternal obesity on the composition of the gut microbiome of offspring were observed among dyads of higher socioeconomic status (SES). In the higher SES group (n = 47), children of obese (BMI ≥ 30) versus non-obese mothers clustered on a principle coordinate analysis (PCoA) and exhibited greater homogeneity in the composition of their gut microbiomes as well as greater alpha diversity as indicated by the Shannon Diversity Index, and measures of richness and evenness. Also in the higher SES group, children born to obese versus non-obese mothers had differences in abundances of *Faecalibacterium* spp., *Lubacterium* spp., *Oscillibacter* spp., and *Blautia* spp. Prior studies have linked some of these bacterial groups to differences in weight and diet. This study provides novel evidence that maternal obesity is associated with differences in the gut microbiome in children in early life, particularly among those of higher SES. Among obese adults, the relative contribution of genetic versus behavioral factors may differ based on SES. Consequently, the extent to which maternal obesity confers measurable changes to the gut microbiome of offspring may differ based on the etiology of maternal obesity. Continued research is needed to examine this question as well as the relevance of the observed differences in gut microbiome composition for weight trajectory over the life course.

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### 'Microbial Bath'

- Just before C-section mother's vaginal microbes collected with sterile gauze
- Swabbed all over infant's bodies within 2 minutes of birth
- Follow-up at 1, 3, and 5 years old will explore differences in body composition, asthma and allergies

## Infant and Toddler Microbiome

0-9 Months (Newborn)	9-18 Months (Infant-Pre-Toddler)	18-36 Months (Toddler)
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		<b>Diet Influenced Microbiome Profile</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stable Gut Microbiome Formation</li> <li>Increased Species Diversity</li> <li>Breast-Feeding History Causes To Impact Gut Microbiome Profile</li> <li>Increasing Butyrate Producing Bacteria Abundance</li> <li>Dietary Intake Strongly Influences Abundance (Proteobacteria vs Firmicutes)</li> <li>Major Phyla: Bacteroidetes &amp; Firmicutes</li> </ul>

FIGURE 1 | Representation of the infant gut microbiome development from birth to 3 years of age. By 3 years old, toddler's microbiomes are similar to that in adults and long term dietary patterns are beginning to establish.

## 'Microbiome Plasticity' in Infant Feeding

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Milk- and solid-feeding practices and daycare attendance are associated with differences in bacterial diversity, predominant communities, and metabolic and immune function of the infant gut microbiome

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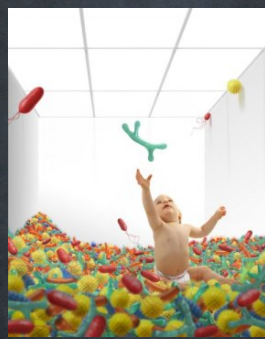
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**Abstract** The development of the infant intestinal microbiome in response to dietary and other exposures may shape long-term metabolic and immune function. We examined differences in the community structure and function of the infant microbiome between four feeding groups: exclusively breastfed infants before introduction of solid foods (EBF), non-exclusively breastfed infants before introduction of solid foods (non-EBF), EBF infants after introduction of solid foods (EBF+S), and non-EBF infants after introduction of solid foods (non-EBF+S), and tested whether out-of-home daycare attendance was associated with differences in relative abundance of gut bacteria. Bacterial 16S rRNA amplicon sequencing was performed on 49 stool samples collected longitudinally from a cohort of 9 infants (5 male, 4 female). PICRUSt metabolic inference analysis was used to identify metabolic impacts of feeding practices on the infant gut microbiome. Sequencing data identified significant differences across groups defined by feeding and daycare attendance. Non-EBF and daycare-attending infants had higher diversity and species richness than EBF and non-daycare attending infants. The gut microbiome of EBF infants showed increased proportions of Firmicutes and lower abundance of Bacteroidetes and Chloroflexi than non-EBF infants. PICRUSt analysis indicated that introduction of solid foods had a marginal impact on the microbiome of EBF infants. 24 enzymes overrepresented in non-EBF+S compared to non-EBF infants including several bacterial methyl-accepting chemotaxis proteins (MCPs) involved in signal transduction. This quantitative difference between EBF and non-EBF infants suggest that breast milk may provide the gut microbiome with a greater plasticity response to a lower phylogenetic diversity that eases the transition into solid foods.

**Keywords:** infant gut microbiome, breastfeeding, longitudinal, daycare, feeding transitions

## Infant Gut Microbiome and Autoimmunity

- Bacteria samples of infants birth to age 3 in three countries
- Lab tests and questionnaires on infant feeding, diet, allergies, infections, and family history
- Evidence supports hygiene hypothesis and variations in e-coli and bacteroides-derived LPS signaling



Vatanan et al. Cell, 2016.  
doi:10.1016/j.cell.2016.04.007

### Role of Gut Microbiome in Pathogenesis and Prevention of Type I DM

- A leaky gut has been implicated in type 1 DM, where altered microbiota and disruptions in the immune system promote autoimmune islet cell destruction.

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### 'Microbial Mood'- Temperament in Toddlers

Brain Behav Immun. 2014 Mar;45:119-27. doi: 10.1016/j.bbi.2014.10.018. Epub 2014 Nov 10.  
**Gut microbiome composition is associated with temperament during early childhood.**  
 Christian LM<sup>1</sup>, Galley RD<sup>2</sup>, Hada EM<sup>3</sup>, Schoppe-Sullivan S<sup>4</sup>, Kemp Dush C<sup>5</sup>, Bailey MT<sup>2</sup>.

**Abstract**  
**BACKGROUND:** Understanding the dynamics of the gut-brain axis has clinical implications for physical and mental health conditions, including obesity and anxiety. As such disorders have early life antecedents, it is of value to determine if associations between the gut microbiome and behavior are present in early life in humans.  
**METHODS:** We used next generation pyrosequencing to examine associations between the community structure of the gut microbiome and maternal ratings of child temperament in 77 children at 18-27 months of age. It was hypothesized that children would differ in their gut microbial structure, as indicated by measures of alpha and beta diversity, based on their temperamental characteristics.  
**RESULTS:** Among both boys and girls, greater Surgency/Extraversion was associated greater phylogenetic diversity. In addition, among boys only, subscales loading on this composite scale were associated with differences in phylogenetic diversity, the Shannon Diversity Index (SDI), beta diversity, and differences in abundances of Dialister, Rikenellaceae, Ruminococcaceae, and Parabacteroides. In girls only, higher Effortful Control was associated with a lower SDI score and differences in both beta diversity and Rikenellaceae were observed in relation to Fear. Some differences in dietary patterns were observed in relation to temperament, but these did not account for the observed differences in the microbiome.  
**CONCLUSIONS:** Differences in gut microbiome composition, including alpha diversity, beta diversity, and abundances of specific bacterial species, were observed in association with temperament in toddlers. This study was cross-sectional and observational and, therefore, does not permit determination of the causal direction of effects. However, if bidirectional brain-gut relationships are present in humans in early life, this may represent an opportunity for intervention relevant to physical as well as mental health disorders.  
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**KEYWORDS:** Childhood; Children; Early life; Gut microbiome; Gut-brain axis; Human; Mood; Stress; Temperament

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### Childhood Undernutrition- 'Microbial Immaturity'

#### Cultivating Healthy Growth and Nutrition through the Gut Microbiota

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**Abstract** [Go to:](#) [Cell](#)

Microbiota assembly is perturbed in children with undernutrition, resulting in persistent microbiota immaturity that is not rescued by current nutritional interventions. Evidence is accumulating that this immaturity is causally related to the pathogenesis of undernutrition and its lingering sequelae. Preclinical models in which human gut communities are replicated in gnotobiotic mice have provided an opportunity to identify and predict the effects of different dietary ingredients on microbiota structure, expressed functions, and host biology. This capacity sets the stage for proof-of-concept tests designed to deliberately shape the developmental trajectory and configurations of microbiota in children representing different geographies, cultural traditions, and states of health. Developing these capabilities for microbial stewardship is timely given the global health burden of childhood undernutrition, the effects of changing eating practices brought about by globalization, and the realization that affordable nutritious foods need to be developed to enhance our capacity to cultivate healthier microbiota in populations at risk for poor nutrition.

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**Nasal Microbiome**

- A study of children with unexplained fevers compared nasal microbiome samples
- Feverish children had 5x more viral DNA, and viral DNA from a wider range of species vs. kids without fever
- Rapid tests for viral loads may help avoid inappropriate antibiotic treatment that harms the healthy microbiome




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**Nurture Trumps Nature in Oral Bacteria of Twins**

- A long term study of identical and fraternal twins found oral microbiota is driven more by environmental factors than heritability
- Salivary microbiome changed the most during adolescence
- Hormones or lifestyle changes at this age may play a role



Stahring et al. Genome Research, 2012.

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**Microbiota of Very Low Birth Weight Neonates**

Sci. Monitor. 2014 May-Jun;3(3):304-12. doi: 10.4103/SM.28945

**The development of gut microbiota in critically ill extremely low birth weight infants assessed with 16S rRNA gene based sequencing.**

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**Abstract**  
**OBJECTIVE:** An increasing number of studies that are using high-throughput molecular methods are rapidly extending our knowledge of gut microbial colonization in preterm infants whose immaturity and requirement for extensive treatment may result in altered colonization process. We aimed to describe the profile of gut microbiota in 50 extremely low birth weight (<1200 g) critically ill infants at three different time points during the first two months of life by using 16S rRNA gene specific sequencing.  
**PATIENTS AND METHODS:** Stool samples were collected at the age of one week, one month and two months. Bacterial community profiling was done using universal amplification of 16S rRNA gene and 454 pyrosequencing.  
**RESULTS:** The diversity of gut microbiota in preterm neonates in the first week of life was low but increased significantly over two months. The gut microbiota was dominated by facultative anaerobic bacteria (Staphylococcus spp. and Enterobacteriaceae) and lacked colonization with bacteria known to provide resistance against pathogens (Bacteroides, Bifidobacterium, and Lactobacillus) throughout the study. Colonization of Escherichia coli and uncultured Veillonella was positively correlated with maturity. Infants born to mothers with chorioamnionitis had significantly higher bacterial diversity than those without.  
**CONCLUSIONS:** High prevalence and abundance of potentially pathogenic Enterobacteriaceae and Staphylococcaceae with low prevalence and abundance of colonization resistance providing taxa bifidobacteria, Bacteroides and lactobacilli may lead to high infection risk via microbial translocation from the gut. Additionally, our data suggest that maternal chorioamnionitis may have an effect on the diversity of infant's gut microbiota; however, the mechanisms involved remain to be elucidated.  
**KEYWORDS:** 16S rRNA gene sequencing, extremely low birth weight, gut microbiota, microbiome profiling, preterm neonates

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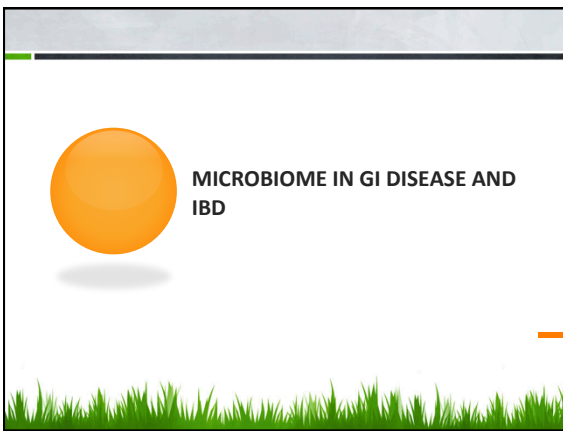
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**Table 1** Intestinal microbiota-associated diseases, syndromes, or other aberrations, with summaries of multiple studies that support an association between the microbiota and the indicated aberration.

Aberration	Most relevant observations and potential correlation	References
Crohn's disease	Diversity decrease – reduced <i>F. prausnitzii</i>	Kaser et al. 2010 <sup>10</sup> ; Sokol et al. 2009 <sup>22</sup> ; Willing et al. 2010 <sup>9</sup>
Ulcerative colitis	Diversity decrease – reduced <i>A. muciniphila</i>	Png et al. 2010 <sup>25</sup> ; Kaser et al. 2010 <sup>11</sup> ; Lepage et al. 2011 <sup>15</sup>
Irritable bowel syndrome	Global signatures – increased <i>Dorea</i> and <i>Ruminococcus</i>	Salonen et al. 2010 <sup>26</sup> ; Saulnier et al. 2011 <sup>26</sup> ; Rajlic-Stojanovic et al. 2011 <sup>12</sup>
<i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection	Strong diversity decrease – presence of <i>C. difficile</i>	Grehan et al. 2010 <sup>27</sup> ; Khoruts et al. 2010 <sup>28</sup>
Colorectal cancer	Variation in <i>Bacteroides</i> spp. – increased fusobacteria	Sobhani et al. 2011 <sup>29</sup> ; Wang et al. 2012 <sup>20</sup> ; Marchesi et al. 2011 <sup>11</sup>
Allergy/atopy	Altered diversity – specific signatures	Stjepetova et al. 2007 <sup>23</sup> ; Bisgaard et al. 2011 <sup>30</sup> ; Storro et al. 2011 <sup>24</sup>
Celiac disease	Altered composition, notably in small intestine	Nistal et al. 2012 <sup>21</sup> ; Di Cagno et al. 2011 <sup>16</sup> ; Kalliomaki et al. 2012 <sup>27</sup>
Type 1 diabetes	Signature differences	Vaarela 2011 <sup>18</sup> ; Giongo et al. 2011 <sup>19</sup> ; Brown et al. 2011 <sup>28</sup>
Type 2 diabetes	Signature differences	Larsen et al. 2010 <sup>7</sup> ; Wu et al. 2010 <sup>7</sup> ; Koote et al. 2012 <sup>23</sup>
Obesity	Specific bacterial ratios ( <i>Bacteroidetes/Firmicutes</i> )	Ley et al. 2006 <sup>6</sup> ; Turnbaugh et al. 2009 <sup>19</sup> ; Musso et al. 2011 <sup>19</sup>

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### Simple Carbs Associated with Prevotella Bacteria, Protein and Animal Fats with Bacteroides Bacteria

Acemba, 2013 Dec 24; 117-20. doi: 10.1016/j.amj.2013.03.011. Epub 2013 Mar 30.

#### Diet, the human gut microbiota, and IBD.

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#### Abstract

The human gut contains a vast number of microorganisms known collectively as the "gut microbiota". Despite its importance in maintaining the health of the host, growing evidence suggests the gut microbiota may also be an important factor in the pathogenesis of various diseases, a number of which have shown a rapid increase in incidence over the past few decades. Factors including age, genetics, and diet may influence microbiota composition. We used diet inventories and 16S rDNA sequencing to characterize fecal samples from 95 individuals. Fecal communities clustered into previously described enterotypes distinguished primarily by levels of Bacteroides and Prevotella. Enterotypes were associated with long-term diets, particularly protein and animal fat (Bacteroides) vs. simple carbohydrates (Prevotella). Although the distinction of enterotypes as either discrete clusters or a continuum will require additional investigation, numerous studies have demonstrated the co-occurrence of the closely related Prevotellaceae and Bacteroides genera in the gut microbiota of healthy human subjects where Prevotella appears to be a discriminatory taxon for residence in more agrarian societies. Ultimately, the impact of diet on the human gut microbiota may be an important environmental factor involved in the pathogenesis of disease states that show a rapidly increasing incidence in industrialized nations such as the inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD).

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KEYWORDS: Diet; Genomics; Gut; Human; Microbiota

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### Bacteria Associated with Inflammatory Bowel Disease

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### Diet Influences Gut Microbiota in IBD

Cur Opin Gastroenterol. 2012 Jul 28(4):314-20. doi: 10.1097/MCO.0b013e3182854596

#### Food and the gut microbiota in inflammatory bowel diseases: a critical connection.

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#### Abstract

**PURPOSE OF REVIEW:** The inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD) are chronic inflammatory diseases of the gastrointestinal tract apparently due to an abnormal immune response to environmental factors in genetically susceptible hosts. The composition of the gut microbiota is thought to be a critical environmental factor in IBD, and recent evidence suggests a connection between diet and the intestinal bacteria. In this review, we describe the current evidence regarding the impact of diet on the gut microbiome and how this may be relevant to the pathogenesis of IBD.

**RECENT FINDINGS:** Novel culture-independent DNA sequencing technology has revolutionized the approach to the characterization of intestinal bacterial communities. Recent studies have demonstrated an association between the diet and the human microbiome. Because the development of a "dysbiotic" microbiota is thought to be involved in the pathogenesis of IBD, diet is being investigated as an important etiologic factor.

**SUMMARY:** The recent studies highlighting the impact of diet on the gut microbiome provide a strong rationale for further investigation of the link between diet, the gut microbiome, and the development of IBD. Such studies may provide novel information about disease pathogenesis as well as identify new therapeutic alternatives for patients suffering from IBD.

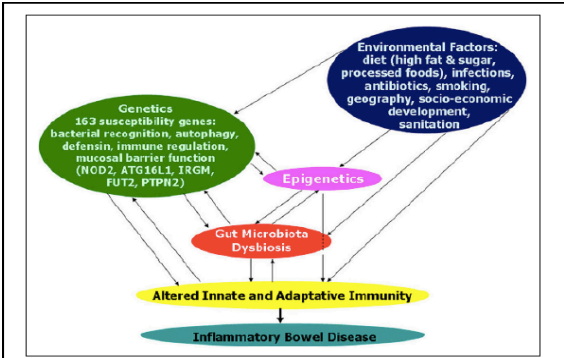


Figure 1. Complex interactions in the pathogenesis of inflammatory bowel disease.

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### Microbiota May Activate Innate Immunity and Inflammation in Celiac Disease

Dis. Clin. Sci. 2014, Jan 2. (Epub ahead of print)

**Gut Microbiota and Celiac Disease.**  
 Marasco G<sup>1</sup>, Di Biase AR<sup>2</sup>, Schumacher R<sup>3</sup>, Eusebi LH<sup>4</sup>, Iughetti L<sup>4</sup>, Ravasio F<sup>5</sup>, Scatoli E<sup>7</sup>, Colechia A<sup>8</sup>, Festi D<sup>1</sup>.

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**Abstract**  
 Recent evidence regarding celiac disease has increasingly shown the role of innate immunity in triggering the immune response by stimulating the adaptive immune response and by mucosal damage. The interaction between the gut microbiota and the mucosal wall is mediated by the same receptors which can activate innate immunity. Thus, changes in gut microbiota may lead to activation of this inflammatory pathway. This paper is a review of the current knowledge regarding the relationship between celiac disease and gut microbiota. In fact, patients with celiac disease have a reduction in beneficial species and an increase in those potentially pathogenic as compared to healthy subjects. This dysbiosis is reduced, but might still remain, after a gluten-free diet. Thus, gut microbiota could play a significant role in the pathogenesis of celiac disease, as described by studies which link dysbiosis with the inflammatory milieu in celiac patients. The use of probiotics seems to reduce the inflammatory response and restore a normal proportion of beneficial bacteria in the gastrointestinal tract. Additional evidence is needed in order to better understand the role of gut microbiota in the pathogenesis of celiac disease, and the clinical impact and therapeutic use of probiotics in this setting.

**KEYWORDS:** Celiac disease; Dysbiosis; Gluten-free diet; Gut microbiota; Probiotic

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### Oats Reduce Leaky Gut in ALD Rat Studies

J Pharmacol Exp Ther. 2011 Nov;339(2):442-8.

**Preventing gut leakiness by oats supplementation ameliorates alcohol-induced liver damage in rats.**  
 Kashavarian A<sup>1</sup>, Choudhary S, Holmes EW, Yong S, Baran A, Jakate S, Fields JZ.

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**Abstract**  
 Only 30% of alcoholics develop liver disease (ALD) suggesting that additional factors are needed. Endotoxin is one such factor, but its etiology is unclear. Since the gut is the main source of endotoxin, we sought to determine whether an increase in intestinal permeability (leaky gut) is required for alcohol-induced endotoxemia and liver injury and whether the gut leakiness is preventable. For 10 weeks, rats received by gavage increasing alcohol doses (to 5 g/kg/day) and either oats (10 g/kg) or chow b.i.d. Intestinal permeability was then assessed by urinary excretion of lactulose and mannitol. Liver injury was evaluated histologically, biochemically (liver fat content), and by serum aminotransferase. Alcohol caused gut leakiness that was associated with both endotoxemia and liver injury. Oats prevented these changes. We conclude that chronic gavage of alcohol in rats is a simple experimental model that mimics key aspects of ALD, including endotoxemia and liver injury, and can be useful to study possible mechanisms of endotoxemia in ALD. Since preventing the gut leakiness by oats also prevented the endotoxemia and ameliorated liver damage in rat, our results suggest that alcohol-induced gut leakiness 1) may cause alcohol-induced endotoxemia and liver injury and 2) may be the critical cofactor in the 30% of alcoholics who develop ALD. Further studies are needed to determine whether ALD in humans can be prevented by preventing alcohol-induced gut leakiness, studies that should lead to the development of useful therapeutic agents for the prevention of ALD.

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## Lactobacillus GG Reduces Leaky Gut in ALD

Alcohol. 2009 Mar;43(2):163-72. doi: 10.1016/j.alcohol.2008.12.009.


**Lactobacillus GG treatment ameliorates alcohol-induced intestinal oxidative stress, gut leakiness, and liver injury in a rat model of alcoholic steatohepatitis.**

Forsyth CB<sup>1</sup>, Farhadi A, Jakate SA, Tang Y, Shakh M, Keshavarzian A.

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**Abstract**

Because only 30% of alcoholics develop alcoholic liver disease (ALD), a factor other than heavy alcohol consumption must be involved in the development of alcohol-induced liver injury. Animal and human studies suggest that bacterial products, such as endotoxins, are the second key co-factors, and oxidant-mediated gut leakiness is one of the sources of endotoxemia. Probiotics have been used to prevent and treat diseases associated with gut-derived bacterial products and disorders associated with gut leakiness. Indeed, "probiotic" Lactobacillus rhamnosus has been successfully used to treat alcohol-induced liver injury in rats. However, the mechanism of action involved in the potential beneficial effects of L. rhamnosus in alcohol liver injury is not known. We hypothesized that probiotics could preserve normal barrier function in an animal model of ALD by preventing alcohol-induced oxidative stress and thus prevent the development of hyperpermeability and subsequent alcoholic steatohepatitis (ASH). Male Sprague-Dawley rats were gavaged with alcohol twice daily (8 g/kg) for 10 weeks. In addition, alcoholic rats were also treated with once daily gavage of either 2.5 x 10<sup>7</sup> live L. rhamnosus Gorbach-Goldin (LGG) or vehicle (V). Intestinal permeability (baseline and at 10 weeks) was determined using a sugar bolus and GC analysis of urinary sugars. Intestinal and liver tissues were analyzed for markers of oxidative stress and inflammation. In addition, livers were assessed histologically for severity of ASH and total fat (steatosis). Alcohol+LGG (ALC+LGG)-fed rats had significantly (P < or = .05) less severe ASH than ALC-V-fed rats. L. rhamnosus Gorbach-Goldin also reduced alcohol-induced gut leakiness and significantly blunted alcohol-induced oxidative stress and inflammation in both intestine and the liver. L. rhamnosus Gorbach-Goldin probiotic gavage significantly ameliorated ASH in rats. This improvement was associated with reduced markers of intestinal and liver oxidative stress and inflammation and preserved gut barrier function. Our study provides a scientific rationale to test probiotics for treatment and/or prevention of alcoholic liver disease in man.




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## Lactobacillus GG




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## Optimal Digestion

- **Complete** mastication
- Salivary enzymes (amylase, lysozyme, lingual lipase)
- HCl and pepsin
- Cholecystokinin and bile acids
- Pancreatic and brush border enzymes
- Parasympathetic tone (controls peristalsis)
- Intact intestinal barrier
- Balanced gut microbiome




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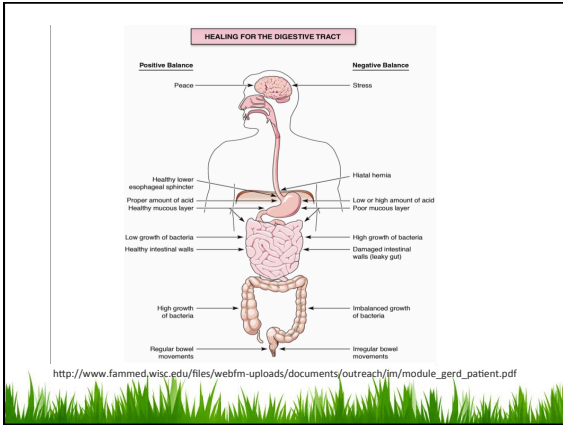
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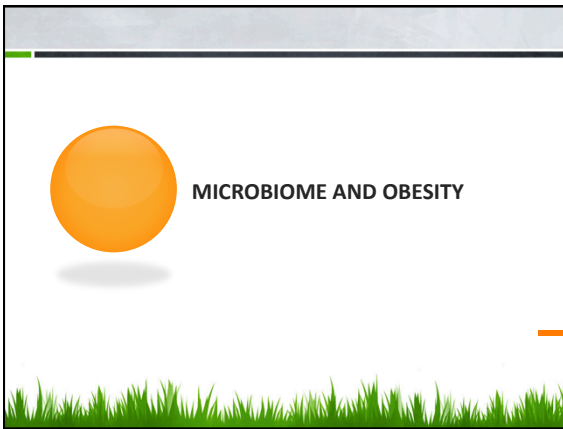
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**Obesogenic Microbiome**

- Diet influences microbiome
- Brain gut axis signalling influences satiety (De Vadder *et al.*, 2014)
- Increased permeability allows excess nutrient absorption and weight gain (Moran & Shanahan, 2014)
- Obesogenic microbiome more efficient at extracting energy from food (Turnbaugh *et al.*, 2006)
- Adipogenesis control linked to gut bacteria through endocannabinoid system Muccioli *et al.*, 2010)

Discovery Medicine. (2015). 19(103): 81-8.

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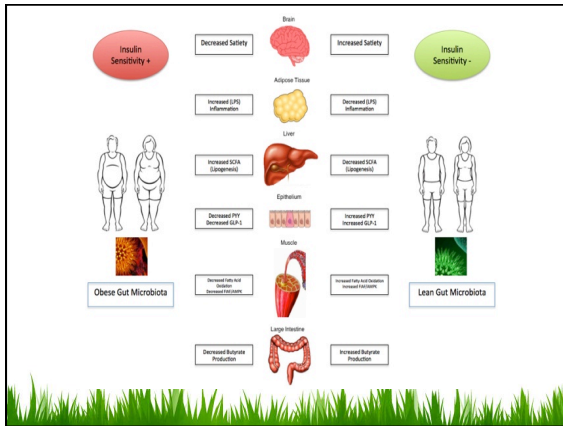
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**Dietary Fat and Carbohydrate on Gut Microbiome and Metabolic Syndrome Risk**

- 88 subjects at risk for metabolic syndrome randomized to five diets
  - High Sat Fat
  - High MUFA, high GI
  - High MUFA, low GI
  - High CHO, high GI
  - High CHO low GI
- Measured: Dietary intake, MetS biomarkers, faecal bacteria, and SCFA monitored
- Results: continued next slide...

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**Dietary Fat and Carbohydrate on Gut Microbiome and Metabolic Syndrome Risk**

- Results:
  - High MUFA didn't affect specific bacteria phenotypes, but reduced total bacteria and total and LDL cholesterol
  - Low fat/High CHO diets increased bifidobacteria and reduced FBG and cholesterol
  - High CHO/High GI increased bacteroides
  - Bacteroides correlated inversely with body weight
  - High Sat Fat increased total SCFA levels
- Conclusion:
  - High CHO diets irrespective of GI, modulate fecal saccharolytic bacteria, including bacteroides and bifidobacteria
  - Conversely, high fat diets reduced bacterial numbers, and in the HS diet, increased excretion of SCFA, which may suggest a compensatory mechanism to eliminate excess dietary energy

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**Probiotics and Prebiotics**  
**Mechanisms Supporting Use In Obesity**

- Reduce intestinal permeability
- Inhibit bacteria translocation
- Improve insulin sensitivity
- Decrease inflammation
- Decrease endotoxemia

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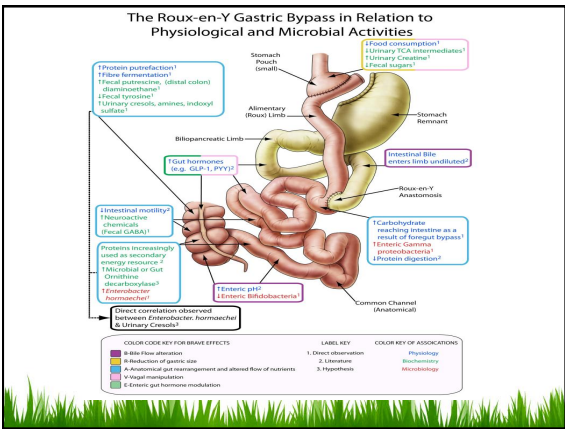
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**MICROBIOME AND MALIGNANCY**

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### Understanding Microbe-Induced Cancers

**Table 1**  
Classification of microbe-induced human malignancies

Microbe(s)	Examples of malignancies by class		
	A	B	C
EBV	Lymphoma		
HTLV-1	ATL		
HHV-8	1	Kaposi's sarcoma	
HIV	Lymphoma	Hepatocellular carcinoma	
Hepatitis B		Hepatocellular carcinoma	
Hepatitis C	Lymphoma	Hepatocellular carcinoma	
<i>H. pylori</i>	MALT gastric lymphoma	Gastric adenocarcinoma	[Esophageal adenocarcinoma]
HPV		Anogenital carcinomas, oropharyngeal carcinoma	
Schistosomal species		Bladder cancer	
Liver flukes		Cholangiocarcinoma	
Hypothesized scenarios: microbiome			[Breast, endometrial carcinomas]
ΔMicrobiome†			[Testicular adenocarcinoma]
Microbiome		Colon adenocarcinoma	

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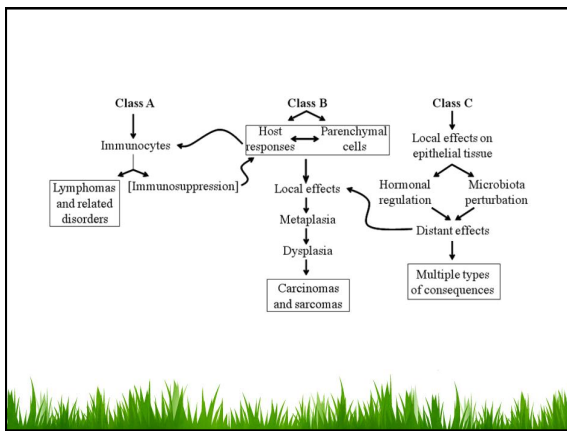
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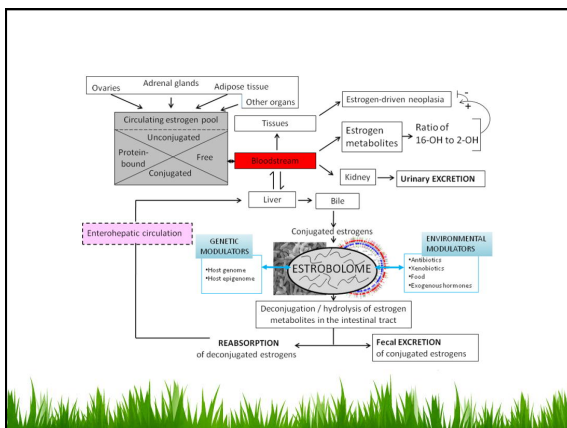
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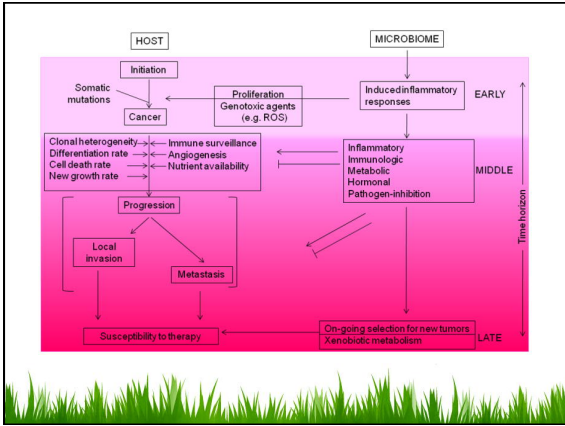
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Bacteria that make brain chemicals	
Type of bacteria	Neural messengers
<i>Bacillus</i>	Dopamine, norepinephrine
<i>Bifido-bacterium</i>	Gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA)
<i>Enterococcus</i>	Serotonin
<i>Escherichia</i>	Norepinephrine, serotonin
<i>Lactobacillus</i>	Acetylcholine, GABA
<i>Streptococcus</i>	Serotonin

Source: T.G. Dinan et al/J. Psych. Res. 2015

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Breaking down the barriers: the gut microbiome, intestinal permeability and stress-related psychiatric disorders

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The emerging links between our gut microbiome and the central nervous system (CNS) are regarded as a paradigm shift in neuroscience with possible implications for not only understanding the pathophysiology of stress-related psychiatric disorders, but also their treatment. The role of the microbiome and its influence on host homeostasis is positioned to be a critical node within the brain-gut axis. Mounting preclinical evidence broadly suggests that the gut microbiome can modulate brain development, function and behavior by immune, endocrine and neural pathways of the brain-gut-microbiota axis. Detailed mechanistic insight into how these specific interactions are currently understood. However, the concept that a "leaky gut" may facilitate communication between the microbiota and brain has significant potential for clinical impact. Defects in intestinal permeability may underpin the chronic low-grade inflammation observed in disorders such as depression and the gut microbiome plays a critical role in regulating intestinal permeability. In this review we will discuss the possible role played by the gut microbiota in maintaining intestinal barrier function and the CNS consequences when it becomes disrupted. We will draw on both clinical and preclinical evidence to support this concept as well as the key features of the gut microbiota which are necessary for normal intestinal barrier function.

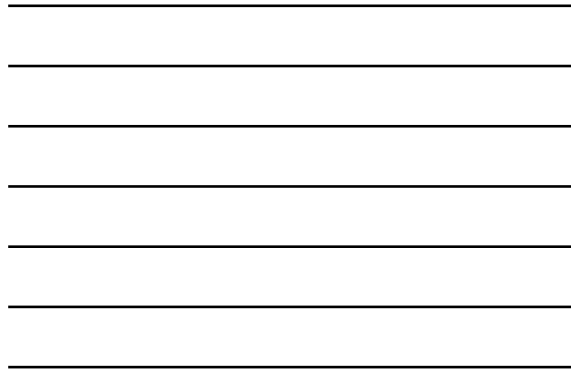
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**The Gut Microbiome**

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Microbes can play games with the mind

The bacteria in our guts may help decide who gets anxiety and depression

By LAURENCE GOLD, MARCH 23, 2016



**GUT FEELINGS.** Through several lines of communication, gut bacteria and the brain affect each other.

Tang Yun Huang

Magazine issue: Vol. 189, No. 7, April 2, 2016, p. 23




*Ann Epidemiol* 2016 Mar 6; pii: S1047-2707(16)30062-X. doi: 10.1016/j.amepidem.2016.02.008. [Epub ahead of print]

Brain-gut-microbiota axis: challenges for translation in psychiatry.

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**Abstract**

**PURPOSE:** The accruing data linking the gut microbiome to the development and function of the central nervous system has been proposed as a paradigm shift in neuroscience. The gut microbiota can communicate with the brain via immunologic, neuroendocrine, and neural pathways comprising the brain-gut-microbiota axis. Dysfunctional immunologic pathways are implicated in stress-related psychiatric disorders.


**METHODS:** Using depression as our primary example, we review both the preclinical and clinical evidence supporting the possible role played by the gut microbiota in stress-related psychiatric disorders. We consider how this can inform future treatment strategies and outline the challenges and necessary studies for moving the field forward.

**RESULTS:** The role played by the gut microbiota has not been fully elucidated in psychiatric populations. Although tempting to speculate that psychiatric patients may benefit from therapeutic modulation of the brain-gut-microbiota axis, the translational applications of the results obtained in rodent studies have yet to be demonstrated.

**CONCLUSIONS:** Evidence of altered gut microbiota composition and function in psychiatric patients is limited and cannot be regarded as proven. Moreover the efficacy of targeting the gut microbiota has not yet been established, and needs further investigation.

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**KEYWORDS:** Brain-gut axis; Depression; Gut microbiota; Inflammation; Psychobiotics




### Fecal Microbiota Transplant: New Bacteria, New Behavior

- ‘Melancholic microbes’
- Rats that got FMT from depressed humans show signs of depression and anxiety. Rats that got FMT from humans without depression showed no change in behavior.
- Floods in Walkerton Canada contaminated town’s water supply with e-coli and campylobacter in 2000. Many fell ill. Years later spike in depression among townspeople attributed to infections.

Science News, April 2, 2016, p. 23.



On: Tue, 2015 May 12 05:04:45, doi: 10.1016/j.chbwa.2015.04.002

#### Gut-Microbiota-Brain Axis and Its Effect on Neuropsychiatric Disorders With Suspected Immune Dysregulation.

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#### Abstract

**PURPOSE:** Gut microbiota regulate intestinal function and health. However, mounting evidence indicates that they can also influence the immune and nervous systems and vice versa. This article reviews the bidirectional relationship between the gut microbiota and the brain, termed the microbiota-gut-brain (MGB) axis, and discusses how it contributes to the pathogenesis of certain disorders that may involve brain inflammation.

**METHODS:** Articles were identified with a search of Medline (starting in 1992) by using the key words anxiety, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), autism, cytokines, depression, gut, hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis, inflammation, immune system, microbiota, nervous system, neurologic, neurotransmitters, neuroimmune conditions, psychiatric, and stress.

**FINDINGS:** Various afferent or efferent pathways are involved in the MGB axis. Antibiotics, environmental and infectious agents, intestinal neurotransmitters/neuroinflammation, sensory vagal fibers, cytokines, and essential metabolites all convey information to the central nervous system about the intestinal state. Conversely, the hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal axis, the central nervous system regulatory areas of safety, and neuropeptides released from sensory nerve fibers affect the gut microbiota composition directly or through nutrient availability. Such interactions seem to influence the pathogenesis of a number of disorders in which inflammation is implicated, such as mood disorder, autism-spectrum disorders, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, multiple sclerosis, and obesity.

**IMPLICATIONS:** Recognition of the relationship between the MGB axis and the neuroimmune systems provides a novel approach for better understanding and management of these disorders. Appropriate preventive measures early in life or corrective measures such as use of psychobiotics, fecal microbiota transplantation, and probiotics are discussed.

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**KEYWORDS:** MGB axis; cytokines; gut; immune disorders; microbiota; nervous system diseases



### Psychobiotics- New Frontier Psychiatry?

- Study of B-longum strain for 4 weeks followed by matching placebo capsule for 4 weeks in 22 men
- Measured cortisol output, standardized stress and neuropsychological scales, resting EEG
- Results: reduction in cortisol, less perceived stress and anxiety, subtle improvement on visual memory task, and altered EEG output

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**Psychobiotics and the gut-brain axis: in the pursuit of happiness**  
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This article has been cited by other articles in PMC.

**Abstract**

The human intestine houses an astounding number and species of microorganisms, estimated at more than 10<sup>14</sup> gut microbes and composed of over a thousand species. An individual's profile of microbiota is continually influenced by a variety of factors including but not limited to genetics, age, sex, diet, and lifestyle. Although each person's microbial profile is distinct, the relative abundance and distribution of bacterial species is similar among healthy individuals, aiding in the maintenance of one's overall health. Consequently, the ability of gut microbiota to bidirectionally communicate with the brain, known as the gut-brain axis, in the modulation of human health is the forefront of current research. At a basic level, the gut microbiota interact with the human host in a mutualistic relationship—the host intestine provides the bacteria with an environment to grow and the bacteria aids in governing homeostasis within the host. Therefore, it is reasonable to think that the lack of healthy gut microbes may also lead to a deterioration of these relationships and ultimately disease. Indeed, a dysfunction in the gut-brain axis has been



**Stroke**    **Neurology / Neuroscience**    **Guest**

### Gut microbes affect brain injury after stroke


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Altering the gut microbiota of mice can reduce brain damage after a stroke, reports a new study published online in *Nature Medicine*. These findings highlight a previously unrecognized link between the intestine and the brain.

Communities of microbes – the microbiome – colonize the gut and other barrier surfaces in the body early in life, and they have a pronounced influence on the development of the immune system and on metabolic processes. Alterations in the microbiome have been identified in several diseases, including inflammatory bowel disease, **obesity** and **asthma**, and they influence disease outcome.

Josef Anrather and colleagues used a mouse model of stroke to show that microbes in the gut regulate the development of pro-inflammatory immune cells, which migrate from the intestine to the brain after a stroke is induced. The authors treated mice with **antibiotics**, and found that this shifted the balance of pro- and anti-inflammatory immune cell types in the gut, increasing the number of anti-inflammatory, regulatory T (Treg) cells present. These microbial shifts ultimately reduce the number of pro-inflammatory cells that travel to the brain after stroke, which results in reduced brain damage. The transfer of microbes from mice treated with antibiotics to untreated mice provided similar protection from brain damage after stroke. The authors conclude that the subset of immune cells identified in the study and the cells' migration to the brain could potentially be targeted therapeutically to affect stroke outcomes, if this specific link between the intestine and the brain is also found in humans.





## THE MICROBIOME & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

### The Vaginal Microbiome




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### The Changing Landscape of the Vaginal Microbiome

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**Introduction**      Go to:

The microbiome influences humans in many still underappreciated respects, including but not limited to development and growth, immunity, metabolism and even behavior<sup>1,2</sup>. Most bacterial communities exist in mutualistic relationships with the healthy human host, and it is clear that our microbiota evolved in concert with our genome, the product of which is a true human-microbial symbiosis. However, it is also clear that microbial dysbiosis can result in disease, and the outgrowth of opportunistic pathogens can threaten the health and life of the human host. Fueled in part by the *Human Microbiome Project* (HMP) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and similar efforts by other groups worldwide<sup>3-5</sup>, large-scale efforts have been made to define the "normal" microbiome of healthy individuals across multiple body sites. Facilitated by the advent of next-generation sequencing, a major success of the first phase of these efforts has been the wealth of data generated, which collectively has revealed the previously poorly recognized complexity and dynamic nature of the human microbiome and its stunning impacts on human health and well-being. To further explore the functional role of the microbiome in human health and disease, the NIH has launched HMP2, now termed the *integrative HMP* or iHMP, a second phase of study that mandates a more in depth 'multi-omic' approach to explore host-bacterial interactions and community dynamics in the context of human health and disease.




Semin Reprod Med. 2014; Jan;32(1):35-42. doi: 10.1055/s-0033-1361821. Epub 2014. Jan 3.

**Potential influence of the microbiome on infertility and assisted reproductive technology.**

Sirota I<sup>1</sup>, Zarek SM<sup>2</sup>, Segars JH<sup>2</sup>.


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**Abstract**

Although an altered vaginal microbiota has been demonstrated to affect parturition, its role in assisted reproductive technologies is uncertain. Nevertheless, the effect of known pathogens such as *Mycoplasma tuberculosis*, *Chlamydia trachomatis*, and *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* is clear, causing subclinical changes thought to be risk factors in subfertility. The Human Microbiome Project (HMP) has allowed for metagenomic studies to aid in characterizing normal vaginal flora. Recent findings from the HMP demonstrate that many different species of *Lactobacillus* are present in the vaginal tract, with a few that predominate. Studies that characterize the vaginal microbiome in assisted reproductive technology support the hypothesis that colonizing the transfer-catheter tip with *Lactobacillus crispatus* at the time of embryo transfer may increase the rates of implantation and live birth rate while decreasing the rate of infection. In addition, there is some evidence that a progesterone-resistant endometrium might increase the risk of an abnormal vaginal microbiome.

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**Dietary Supplements for Vaginal Health**



Supplement Facts	
Serving Size: 1 Capsule Serving Per Container: 30	
Amount Per Serving	
% Daily Value	
Total Probiotics	30 Billion
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Lactobacillus reamanousii	10 Billion
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Lactobacillus acidophilus	10 Billion
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**Dietary Supplements for Vaginal Health**



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Includes:	
Lactobacillus acidophilus	10 Billion
Lactobacillus casei	10 Billion
Lactobacillus plantarum	10 Billion
Lactobacillus rhamnosus	10 Billion
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**ROLE OF DIET  
IN THE MICROBIOME**

What's An RDN to Do?




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**Two Key Questions About Microbiome Practice Applications**

1. Can we *predict* disease by monitoring changes in the **microbiome**? If standardized measures for microbial species existed and could link variations to the onset of disease, could this information be used in the same way changes in blood pressure are used to measure cardiovascular disease risk? Although detailed knowledge of microbiome composition and its functional significance may be out of reach, can surrogate markers of microbiome health and disease risk be defined and validated?
2. Can we *prevent* disease by **manipulating the microbiome (molecular gene targeting)**? If the presence of specific communities of microbes could be linked with healthy outcomes, could probiotics, prebiotics, dietary interventions, narrow-spectrum antibiotics, and fecal microbiome transplantation (FMT) be used as an intervention in the same way micronutrients prevent deficiency-related disease?




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**Recommendations for Healthy Microbiome**

1. Restrict foods rich in IGF-1 such as dairy and insulinotrophic foods
2. Restrict highly inflammatory fructose (<25g/d)
3. Restrict milk powder, butter, and cheese high in SFA, hormones, and IGF-1, and high fat meat
4. Restrict foods heated above 100 degrees Celsius high in AGE's ALE's
5. Restrict chemical and pharmaceutical exposure
6. Restrict exposure to microbe-derived endotoxin in aged meats
7. Minimize intake of proteotoxin-rice foods such as casein, gluten, and zein (corn)
8. Increase dramatically fresh and raw greens, seeds, fresh spices and vegetables
9. Increase antioxidant-rich, high fiber, low-calorie 'ancient' grains not manipulated by industry
10. Supplement vitamin D and omega-3 (as needed)

Bengmark, S. (2013). Processed foods, dysbiosis, systemic inflammation, and poor health. *Current Nutrition and Food Science*, 9, 113-143.

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**Avoid Negative Effect on Gut Microbiome**

- Western diet
- High calories (↓diversity)
- Frequent snacking (↓diversity)
- Sugar sweetened soda (↓diversity)
- High fat milk (↓diversity)
- High dietary carbohydrates (↓diversity)
- Low dietary diversity
- Fast food
- High intake of alcohol (U-shaped curve)
- Red and processed meats
- Animal fat
- Excess omega-6's and long chain fatty acids
- Emulsifiers
- Gums
- Maltodextrin
- Simple sugars
- Artificial sweeteners (\*gut motility and microbiome)
- Metformin
- PPIs

*Science*, April 29, 2016. 352(6285), 565-569;  
*British Jnl Nutr* (2015), 113, S1-S5

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### Kombucha Activity

- Antioxidative stress against lead (Dipti et al., 2003), chromate (Sai Ram et al., 2000), electromagnetic fields (Gharib, 2011)
- Hypoglycemic (Srihari et al., 2013)
- Hypocholesterolemic (Yang et al., 2009)
- Longevity
- Anti-stress activity against cold, hypoxia
- Protect against nephrotoxicity



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### Closing the Fiber Gap with Supplements

- Grain, nut, seed, vegetable whole food fiber supplements
- Arabinoxylan
- Beta-glucan
- Cellulose
- Inulin/oligosaccharides
- Galactooligosaccharide/xylooligosaccharide
- Polydextrose
- Soluble corn fiber
- Alginate
- Pectin (apple, citrus)
- Gums (arabic, acacia, guar)

Trends in Endocrinology & Metabolism, May 2016, Vol 27, No 5

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### Xyloglucans

- *Xyloglucans* found in lettuce and onion undergo microbial digestion by bacteroides species
- Another reason why salad is good for you!



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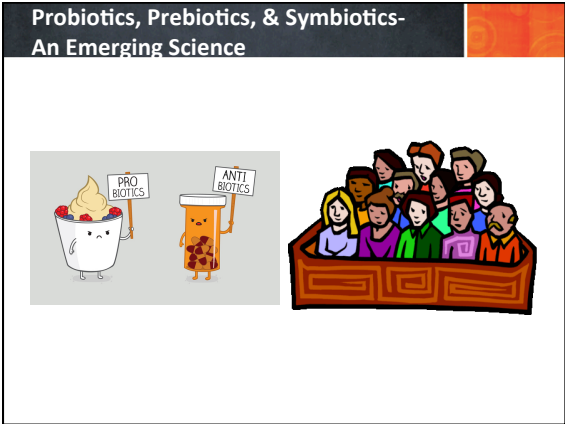
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**Prebiotics: Three Criteria**

1. Resistance to gastric acidity, hydrolysis by enzymes, and gastrointestinal absorption
2. Fermentation by intestinal microflora
3. Selective stimulation of the growth and/or activity of beneficial intestinal bacteria
  - **Prebiotics that fulfill these criteria:** fructooligosaccharides, galactooligosaccharides, lactulose, non-digestible large polysaccharides (inulin, resistant starches, cellulose, hemicellulose, pectins, and gums), some oligosaccharides that escape digestion, and unabsorbed sugars and alcohols.



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**Use of Low FODMAP Diet in IBS**

- While a low FODMAP diet may decrease symptoms of IBS, it should not be used long term
- Low FODMAP diet long term can have a negative effect of the microbiome
- Gut fermentation is a good thing in the right amounts! Treat SIBO, then reintroduce high FODMAP carbs!



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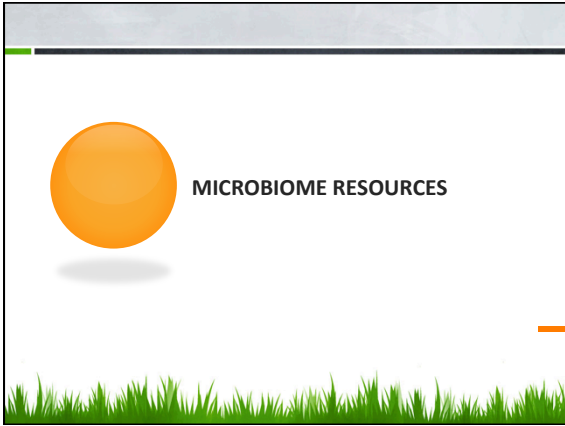
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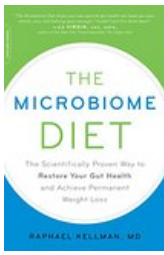
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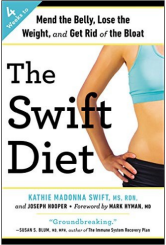
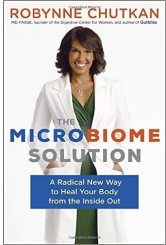
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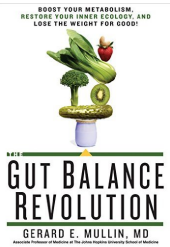
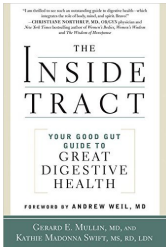
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