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# The role of intestinal bacteria in intestinal health and chronic enteropathies

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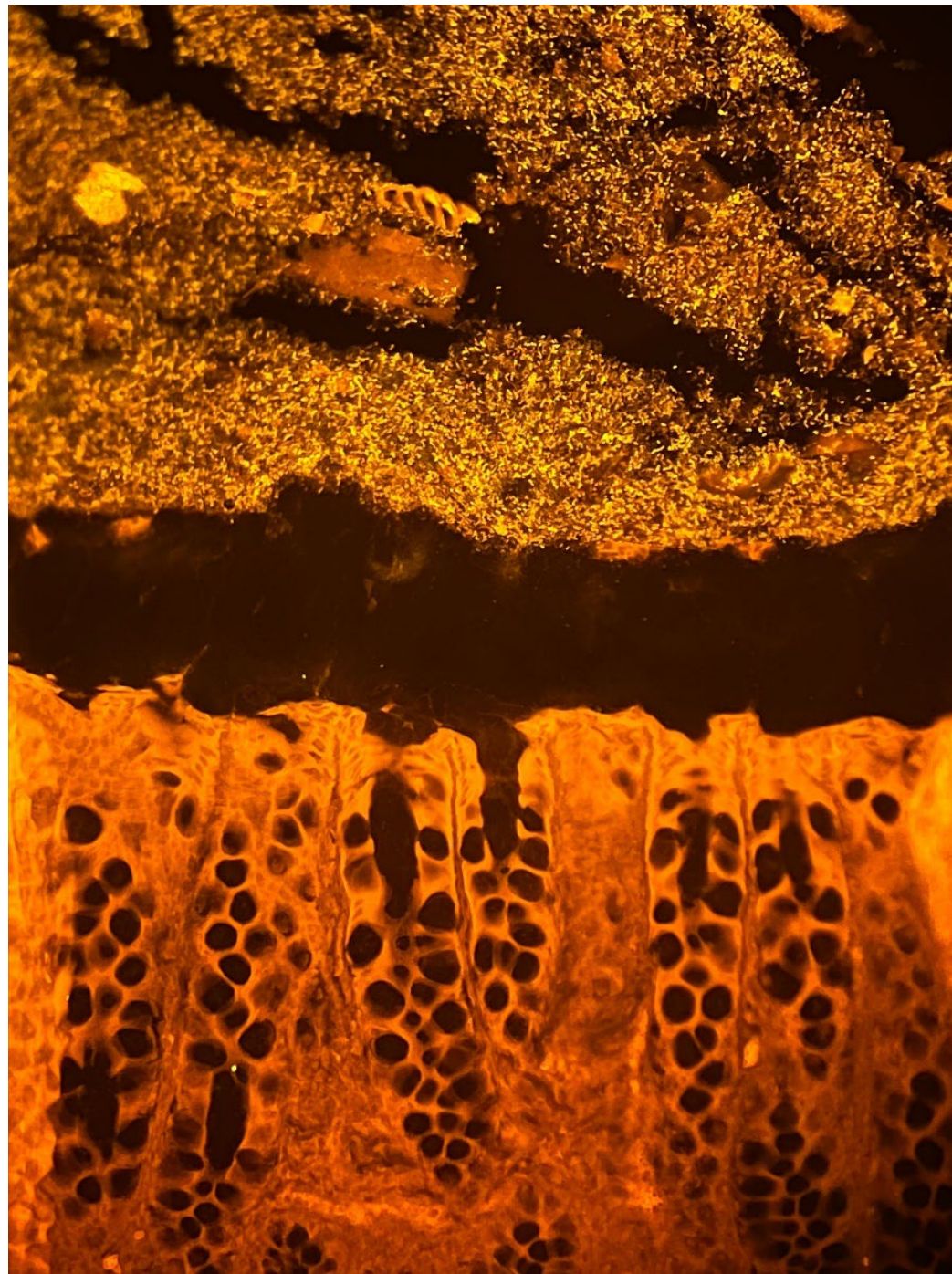
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# How much do we know about this organ?



This is a metabolic organ

Section through a  
colon from a cat



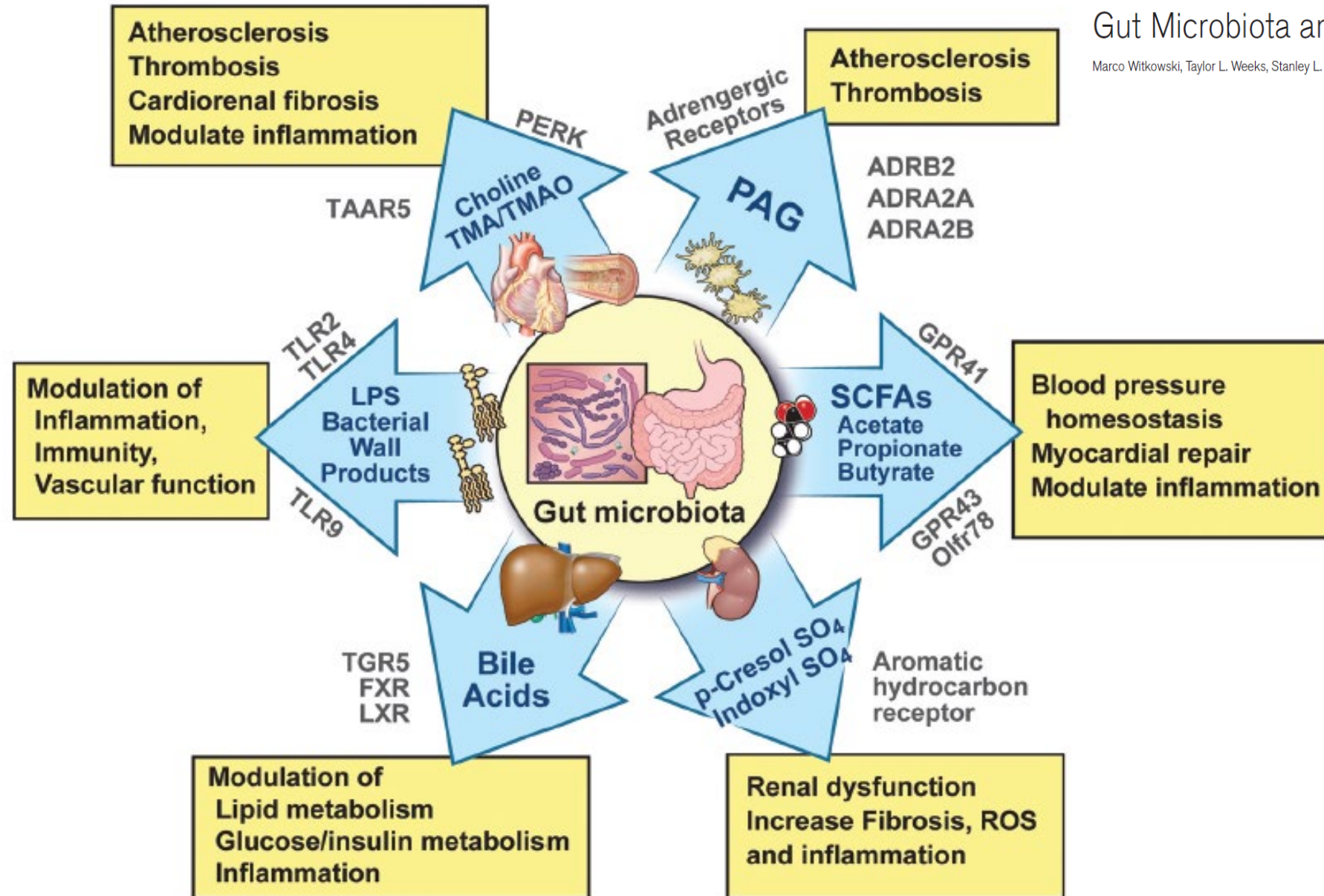
Live bacteria (what we  
see as feces)

Mucus layer

Epithelium

## Gut Microbiota and Cardiovascular Disease

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## Association of Infant Antibiotic Exposure With Childhood Health Outcomes

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broad spectrum antibiotics

- 14,572 children (7026 girls and 7546 boys)
  - 70% (10,220) received at least 1 antibiotic prescription during the first 2 years of life.
- Early antibiotic exposure associated with increased risk:
  - childhood-onset asthma
  - allergic rhinitis
  - atopic dermatitis
  - hazard ratios ranging from 1.20 to 2.89

# OUTLINE

- microbial metabolites and immunity
  - short chain fatty acids
  - Intestinal bile acids
  - tryptophan/indole
- causes for dysbiosis
  - dietary causes (low fiber)
  - intestinal inflammation
  - antibiotics

Source	Bacteria involved	Microbial metabolite(s)	Effects in host	
			beneficial (in normal concentrations)	potentially deleterious (in abnormal concentrations)
carbohydrates from diet	various (e.g. Faecalibacterium, Turicibacter)	fermentation to short-chain fatty acids (SCFA)	anti-inflammatory maintain intestinal barrier function	abnormal SCFA ratio can activate virulence factors of enteropathogens

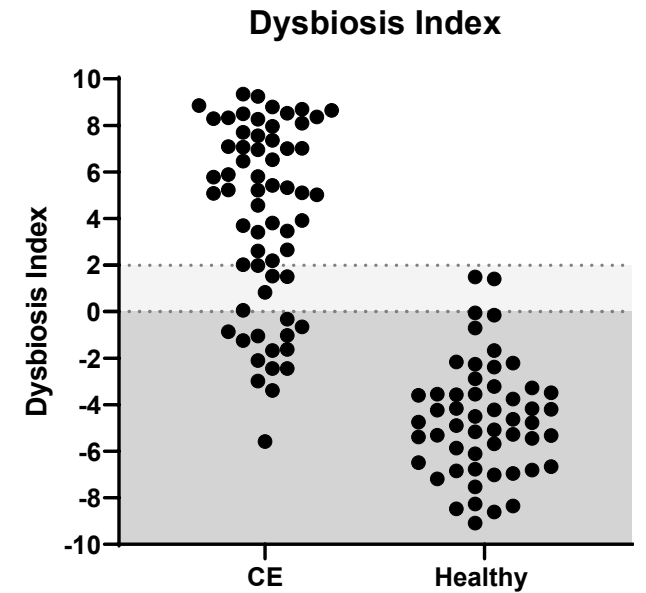
# The canine Core Microbiome based on DNA shotgun sequencing

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s__Other	18.0%	21.2%	18.7%	19.3%	14.3%	30.9%	28.9%	40.1%	35.2%	14.3%	14.8%	14.2%	12
s__[Ruminococcus]_gnavus	3.7%	1.7%	23.5%	5.6%	1.4%	3.6%	2.7%	12.3%	1.4%	2.5%	8.3%	3.4%	12
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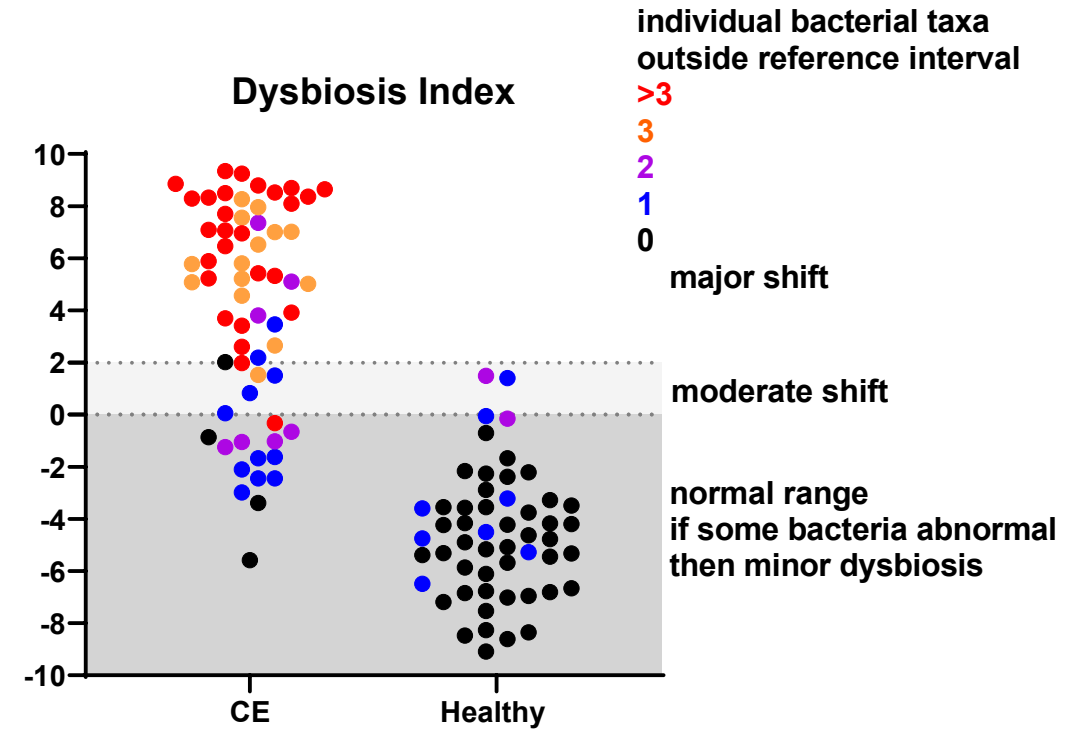
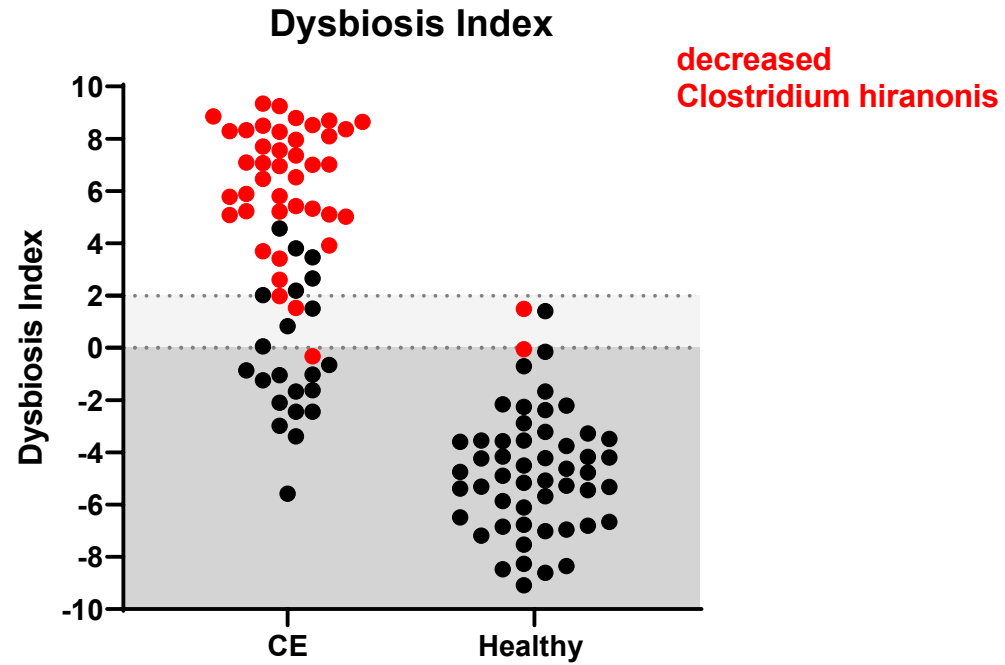
- 1,065 bacteria species identified across 12 healthy dogs
- 25 identified in all 12/12 dogs
- 36 identified in 9/12 dogs
- top Core species and genera include
  - *Clostridium hiranonis*
  - *Blautia*
  - *Faecalibacterium*

# A dysbiosis index to assess microbial changes in fecal samples of dogs with chronic inflammatory enteropathy

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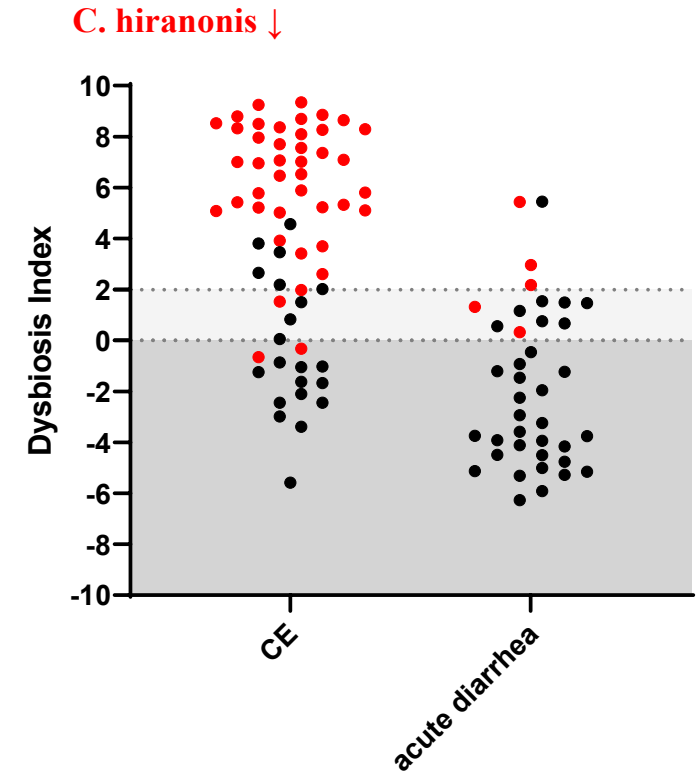
	Change in dysbiosis	Properties
<b>beneficial</b>		
Faecalibacterium	↓	anti-inflammatory
Turicibacter	↓	short-chain fatty acids
Blautia	↓	short-chain fatty acids
Fusobacterium	↓	short-chain fatty acids
Clostridium hiranonis	↓	bile acid converter
<b>harmful</b>		
Streptococcus	↑	overgrowth in maldigestion
E. coli	↑	pro-inflammatory



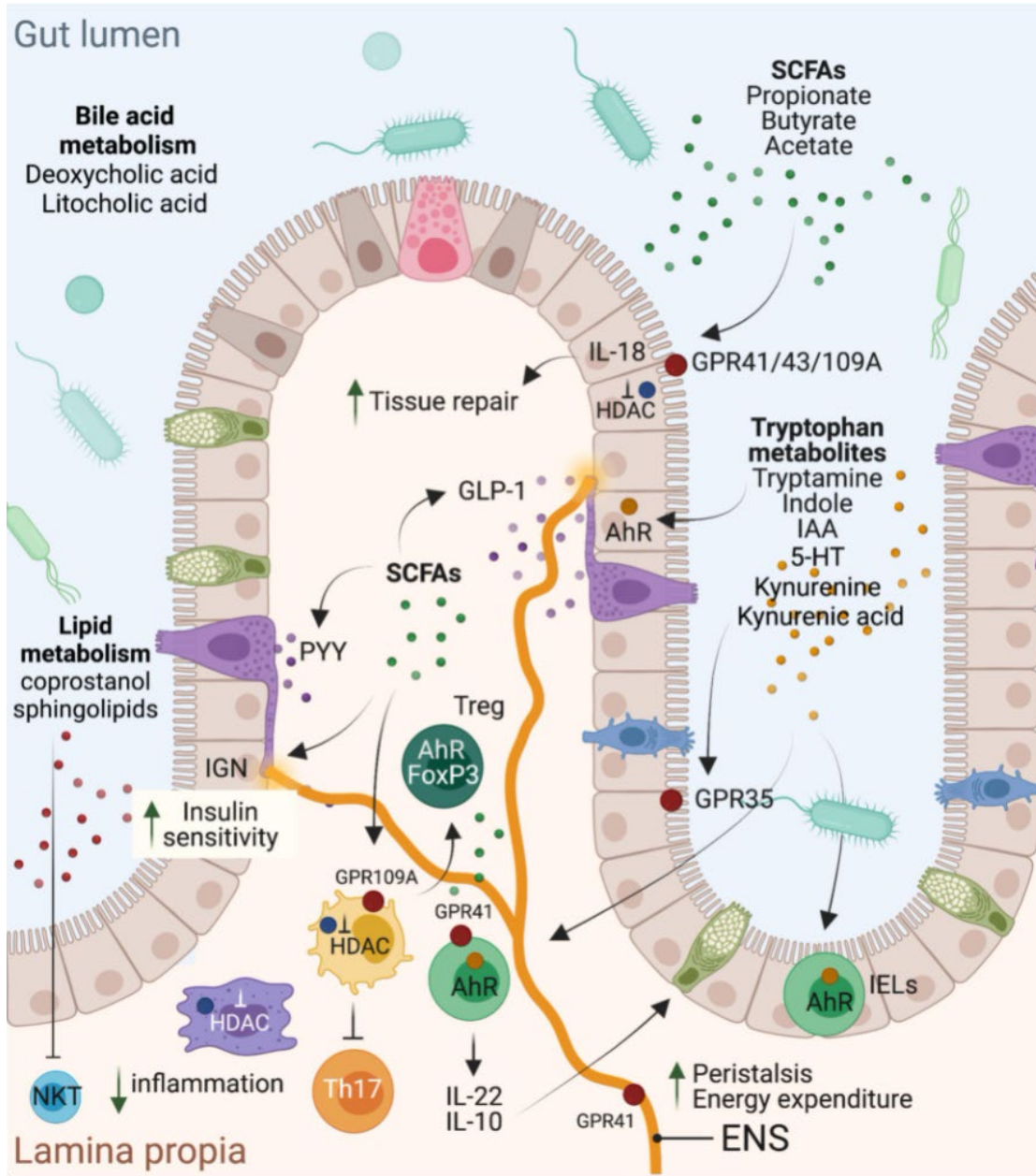
Dysbiosis Index	Sensitivity	CI (95%)	Specificity	CI (95%)
2	0.63	0.53-0.72	1	0.96-1.00
0	0.74	0.65-0.82	0.95	0.89-0.98
-1	0.82	0.73-0.88	0.91	0.84-0.96
-2	0.86	0.78-0.92	0.83	0.74-0.90

# Dysbiosis patterns vary across GI disease

- dogs with chronic diarrhea
  - food-responsive
  - antibiotic-responsive
  - idiopathic IBD
  - exocrine pancreatic insufficiency (EPI)
- acute diarrhea
  - rarely increased DI and decreased *C. hiranonis*



- antibiotic-induced dysbiosis: should be off antibiotics for 2-4 weeks
- omeprazole-induced dysbiosis: should be off omeprazole for 10-14 days



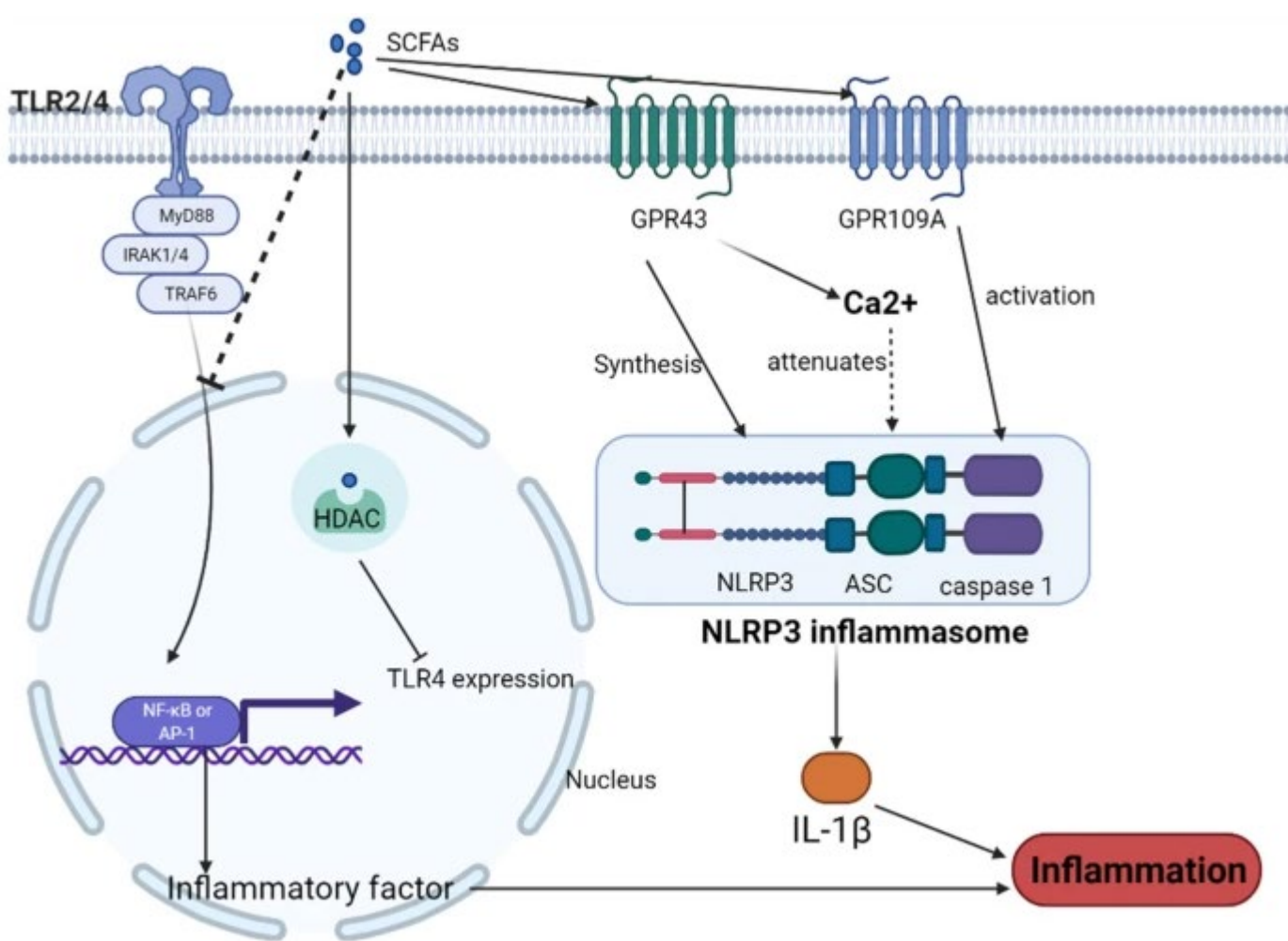
## Next Generation Microbiome Research: Identification of Keystone Species in the Metabolic Regulation of Host-Gut Microbiota Interplay

Héloïse Tudela<sup>1,2</sup>, Sandrine P. Claus<sup>1\*</sup> and Maya Saleh<sup>2,3\*</sup>

### Short-chain fatty acids (SCFA)

- produced from dietary fiber
- signal through G-receptors
  - IL-18 production which is required for intestinal epithelial integrity
  - anti-inflammatory

Important bacterial keystone species: **Faecalibacterium**



- SCFAs inhibit progression of IBD by regulating Toll-like receptors (TLRs) and NLRP3 inflammasomes
- SCFAs suppress histone acetylation pathway

## Regulatory role of short-chain fatty acids in inflammatory bowel disease

Zhilin Zhang, Huan Zhang, Tian Chen, Lin Shi, Daorong Wang & Dong Tang 

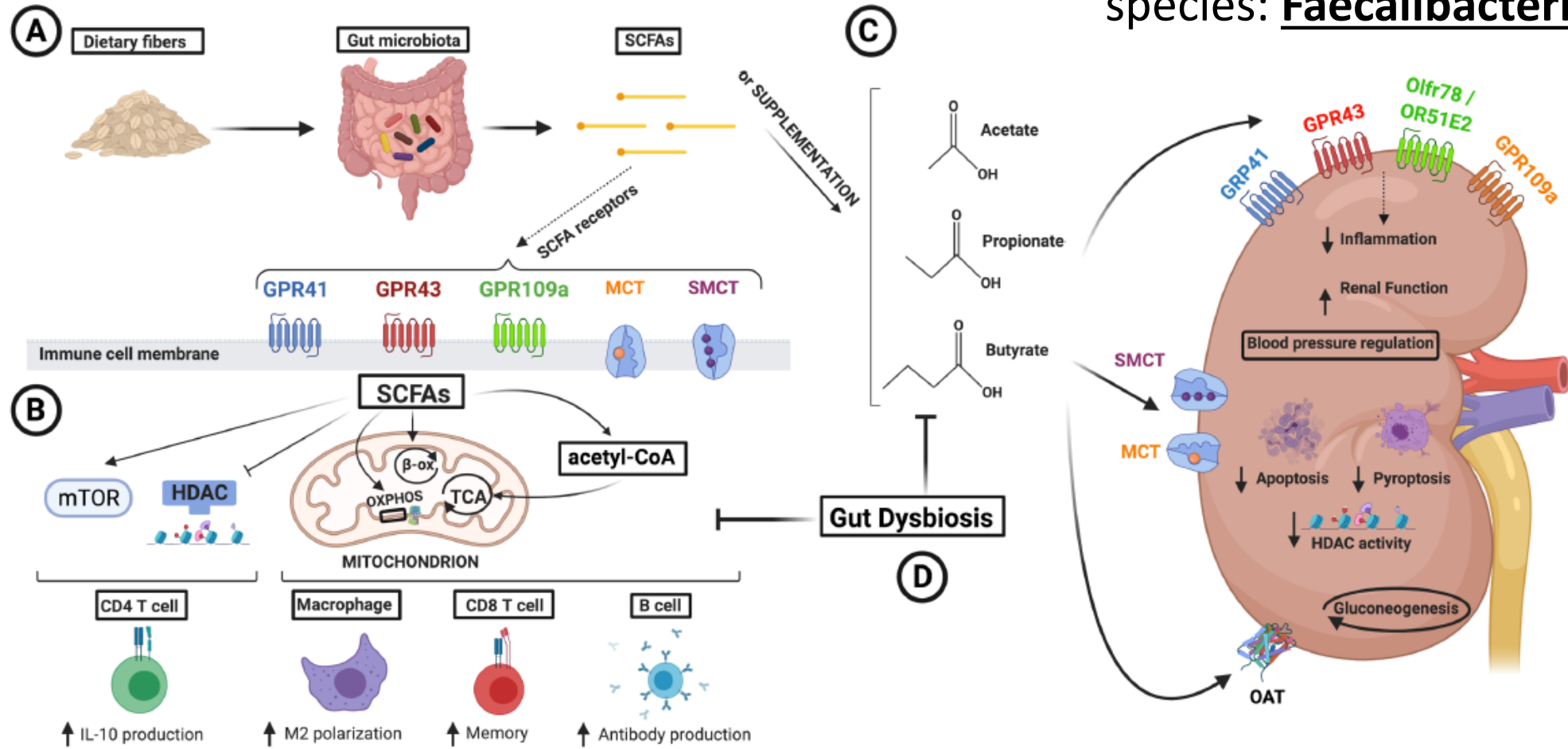
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# Dysbiotic gut microbiota causes transmissible Crohn's disease-like ileitis independent of failure in antimicrobial defence

**Conclusions** We provide clear experimental evidence for the causal role of gut bacterial dysbiosis in the development of chronic ileal inflammation with subsequent failure of Paneth cell function.

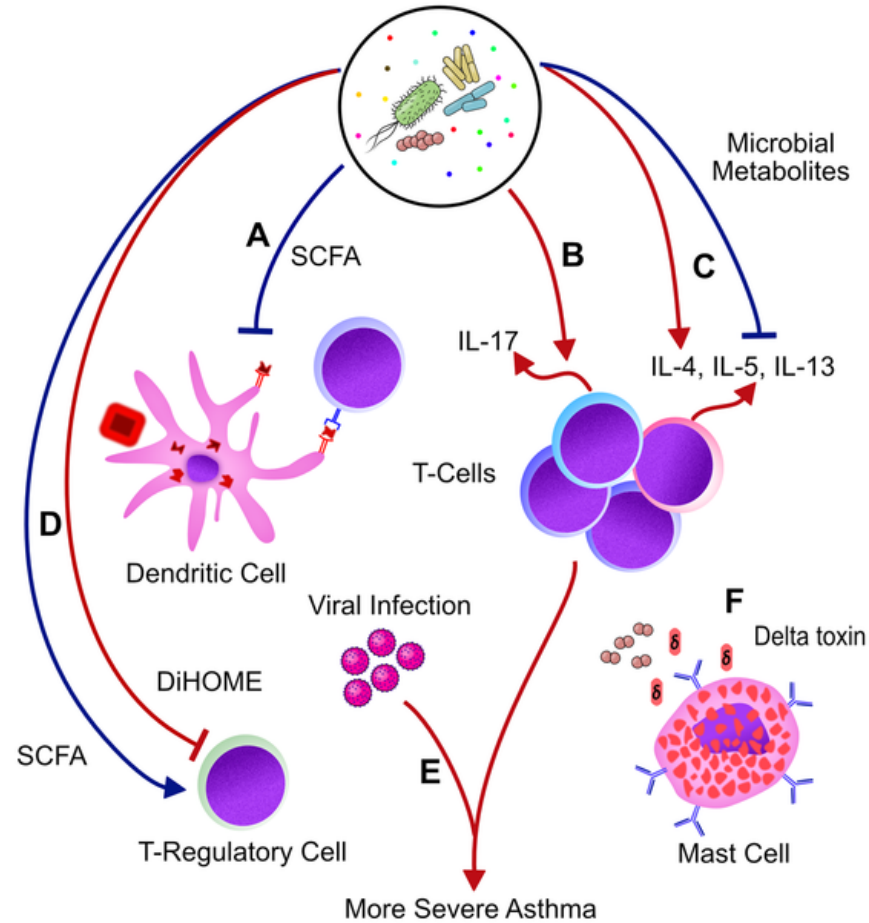
**Dysbiosis can trigger inflammation, but other co-factors are needed**

# Important bacterial keystone species: Faecalibacterium



- **Bacteria and metabolites impact multiple stages in the well-established pathway of allergic inflammation**

- protective effects (blue arrows)
- exacerbating allergic inflammation (red arrows)



# SHORT CHAIN FATTY ACIDS

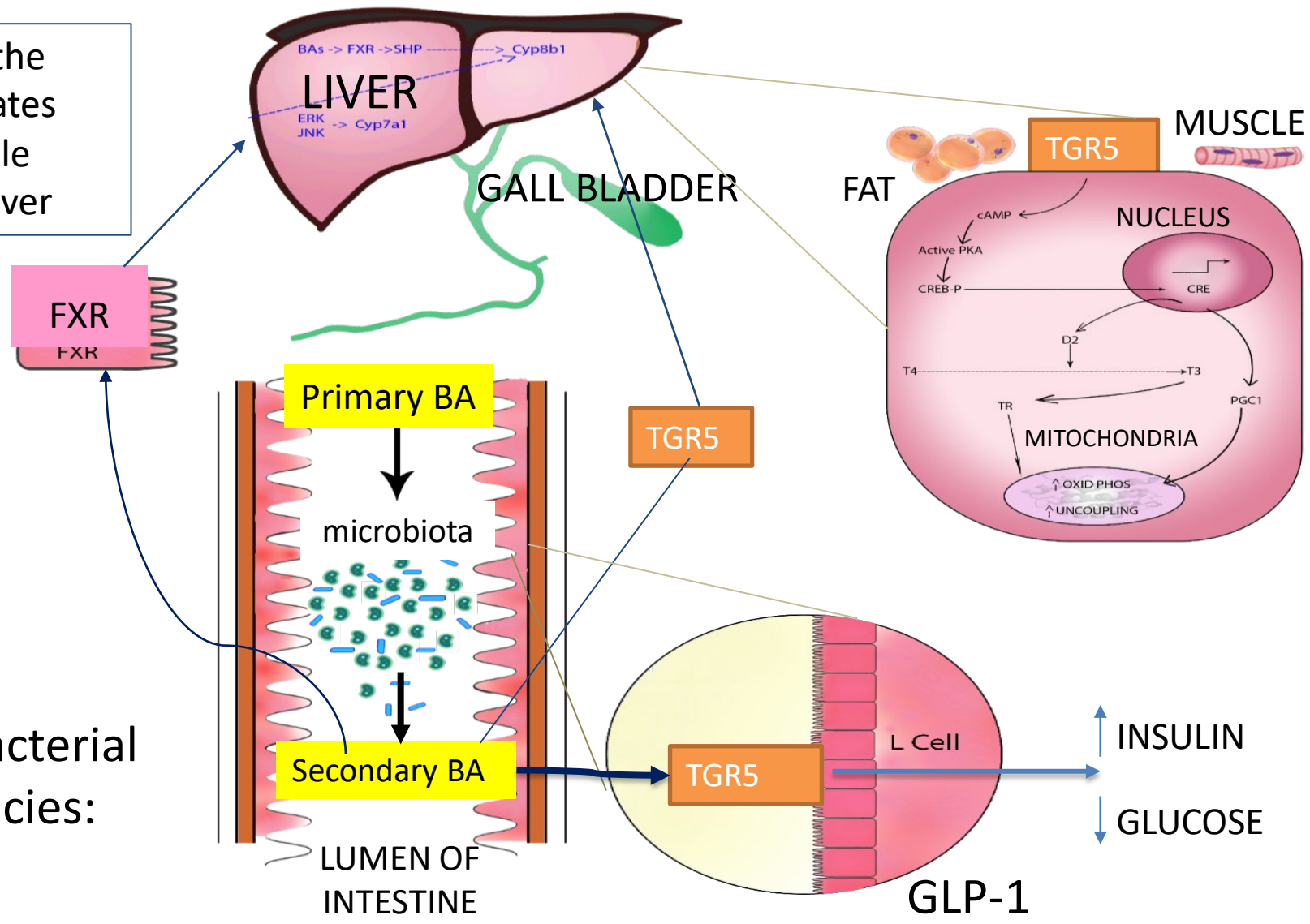
## Direct and indirect regulation of enteropathogens by SCFAs

### 2. activation of virulence genes of enteropathogens

- increasing concentration of acetate in distal ileum
  - signal for invasion gene expression by production of acetyl-phosphate in bacterial cytoplasm
  - pathway bypasses barA
- propionate and butyrate, present in high concentrations in caecum and colon reduce expression in wild-type strain
  - alterations in SCFA concentrations and ratios that favor acetate and decrease propionate and butyrate might make *Salmonella* more invasive

# Microbial conversion of primary to secondary bile acids is important for health

Feedback from the intestines regulates production of bile acids from the liver



Secondary bile acids inhibit pro-inflammatory cytokines (TNF- $\alpha$ , IL-6)

Important bacterial keystone species: **Clostridium hiranonis**

Secondary BA inhibit *C. difficile*  
 Primary BA promote *C. difficile*

# Physiological Functions of Bile Acid Receptors

Invited review

Pharmacology of bile acid receptors: Evolution of bile acids from simple detergents to complex signaling molecules

Bryan L. Copple<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Tiangang Li<sup>2</sup>

## Bile Acid Receptors

Farnesoid X Receptor

Vitamin D Receptor

Pregnane X Receptor

TGR5

$\alpha 1\beta 5$  Integrin

Sphingosine-1-phosphate  
Receptor 2

**Bile acid synthesis, transport,  
and detoxification**

**Choleresis**

**Glucose homeostasis**

**Lipid metabolism**

**Gastric motility**

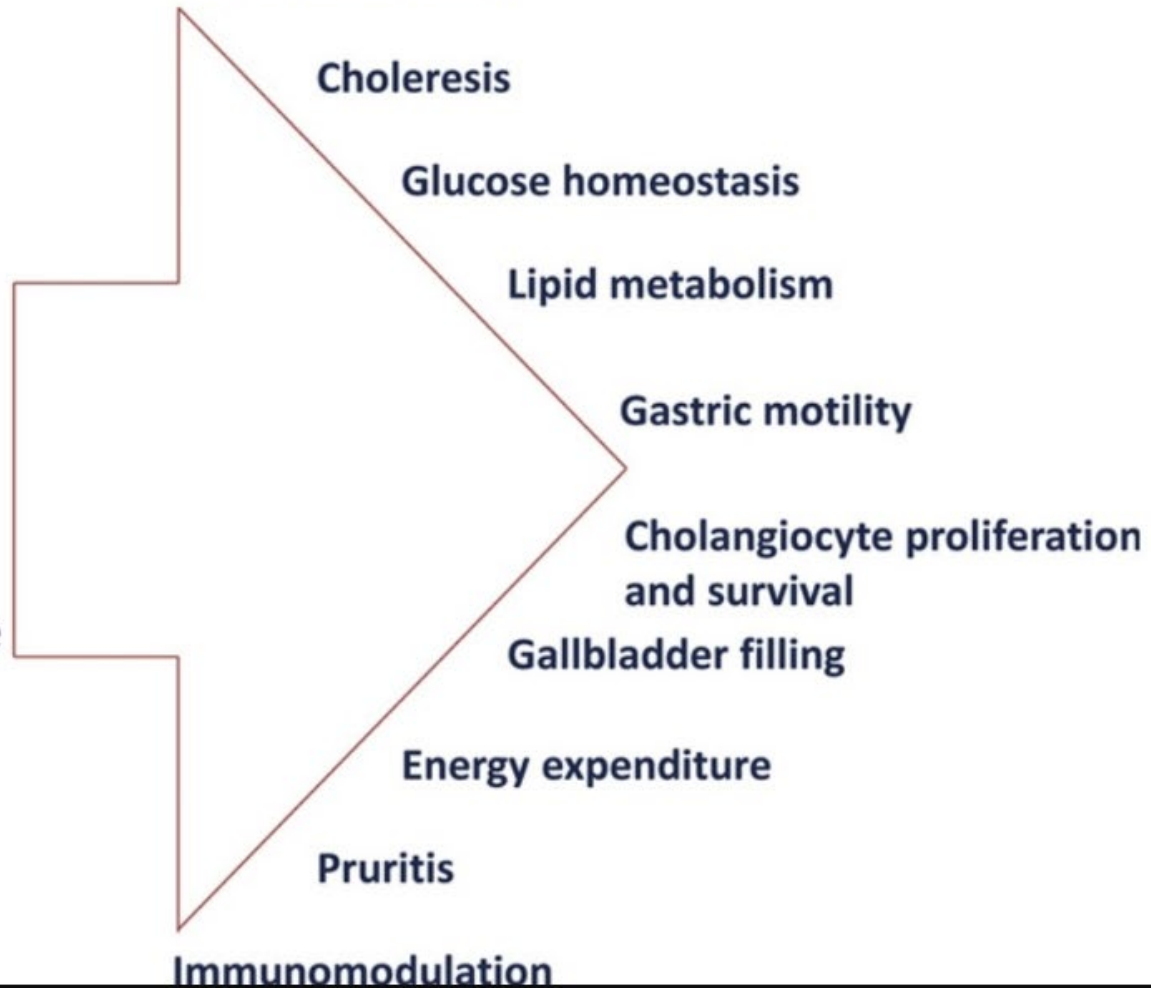
**Cholangiocyte proliferation  
and survival**

**Gallbladder filling**

**Energy expenditure**

**Pruritis**

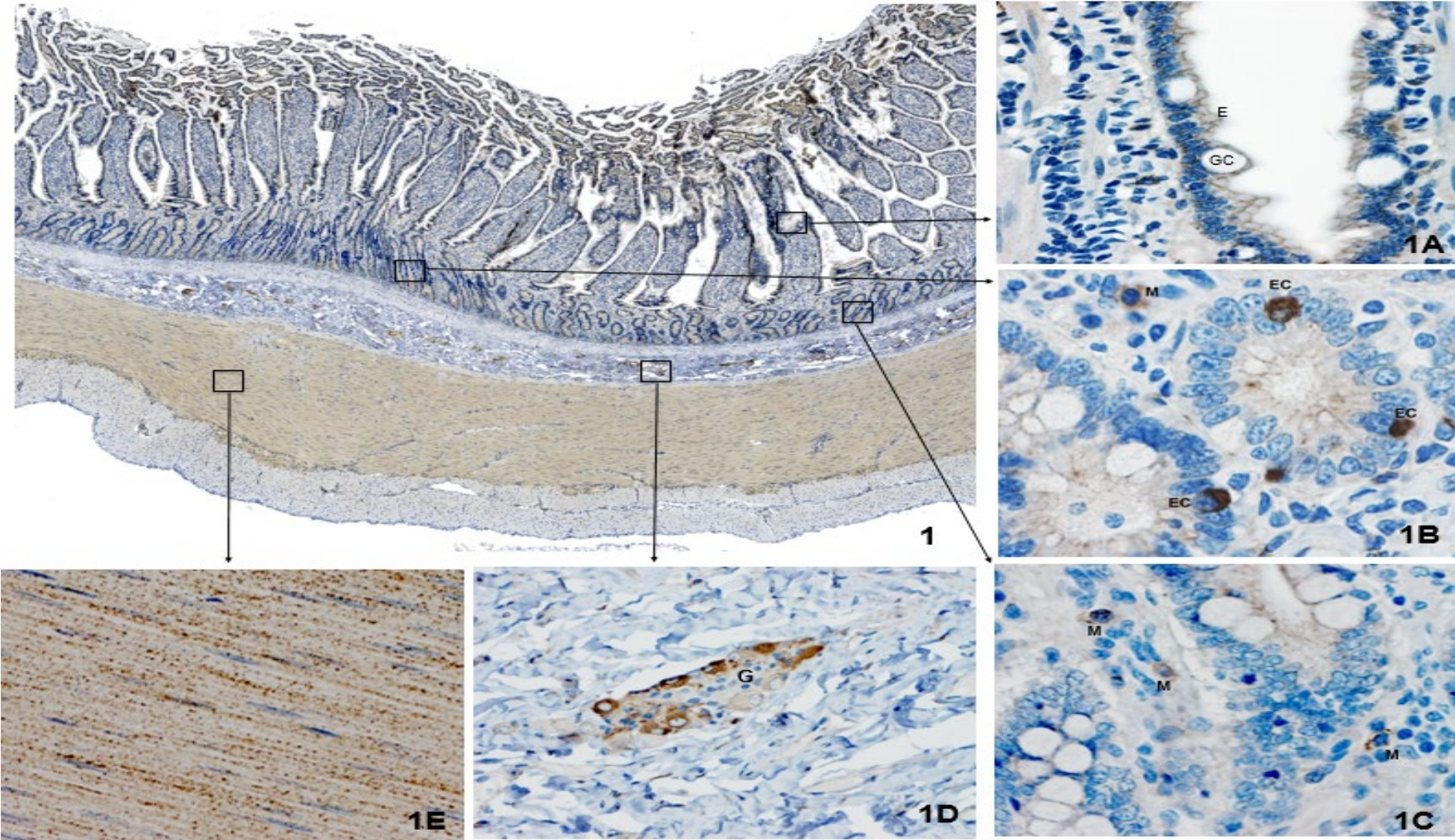
**Immunomodulation**



# TGR5 BILE ACID RECEPTORS IN SMALL AND LARGE INTESTINE OF HEALTHY DOGS

Giaretta et al, Histology and Histopathology 2019

GC= goblet cell; C= colonocyte; M= macrophage; EC= enteroendocrine cell; G= ganglion cell; En= endothelial cell.



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## Human gut bacteria produce T<sub>H</sub>17-modulating bile acid metabolites

[Donggi Paik](#), [Lina Yao](#), [Yancong Zhang](#), [Sena Bae](#), [Gabriel D. D'Agostino](#), [Minghao Zhang](#), [Eunha Kim](#), [Eric](#)

- gut bacteria convert secondary bile acid lithocholic acid into 3-oxoLCA and isolithocholic acid (isoLCA)
- suppressed T<sub>H</sub>17 cell differentiation by inhibiting retinoic acid receptor-related orphan nuclear receptor- $\gamma$ t
- levels significantly reduced in IBD
- data suggest that bacterially produced bile acids inhibit T<sub>H</sub>17 cell function, an activity that may be relevant to the pathophysiology of IBD



## Original Article

The membrane bile acid receptor TGR5 drives cell growth and migration via activation of the JAK2/STAT3 signaling pathway in non-small cell lung cancer

## Highlights

- Overexpression of TGR5 predicts poor prognosis in NSCLC patients in combination with p-STAT3 (at Tyr705) expression.
- TGR5 promotes cell proliferation, migration and invasion via activation of JAK2/STAT3 signaling pathway in NSCLC.
- Bile acids may appear to be a major etiologic factor in lung carcinogenesis by activating the TGR5 receptor.

# Bile signalling promotes chronic respiratory infections and antibiotic tolerance

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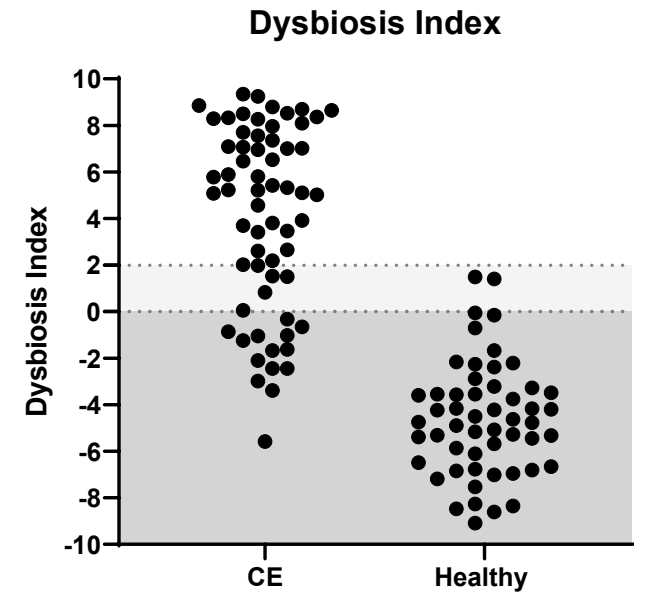
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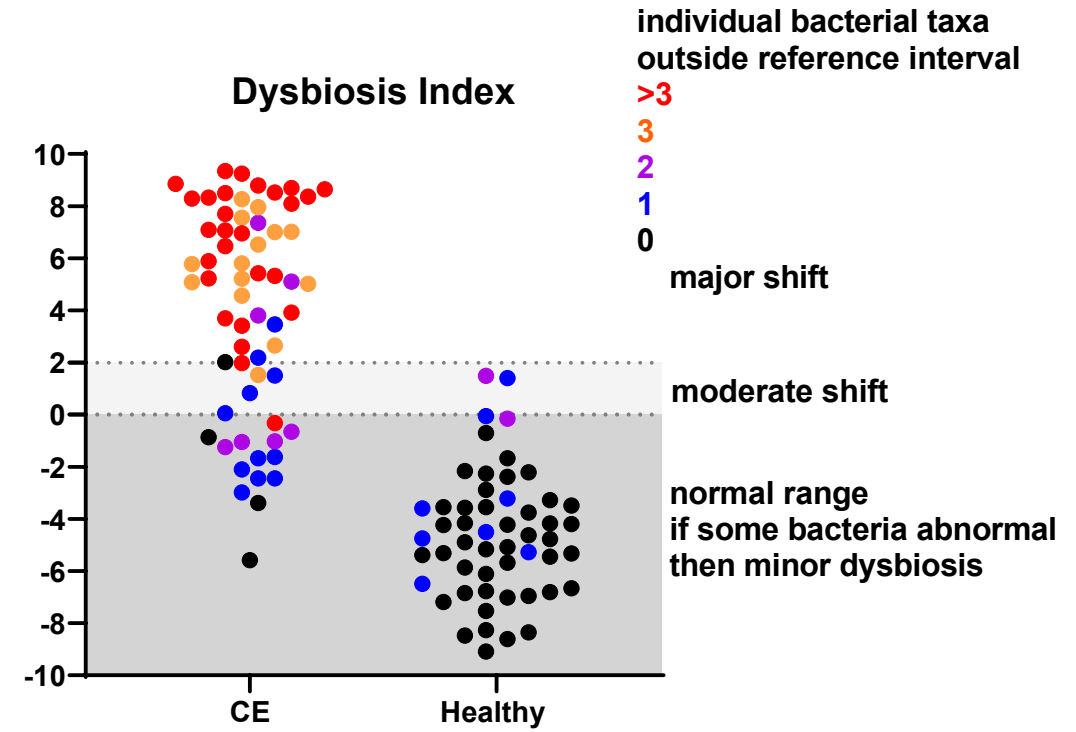
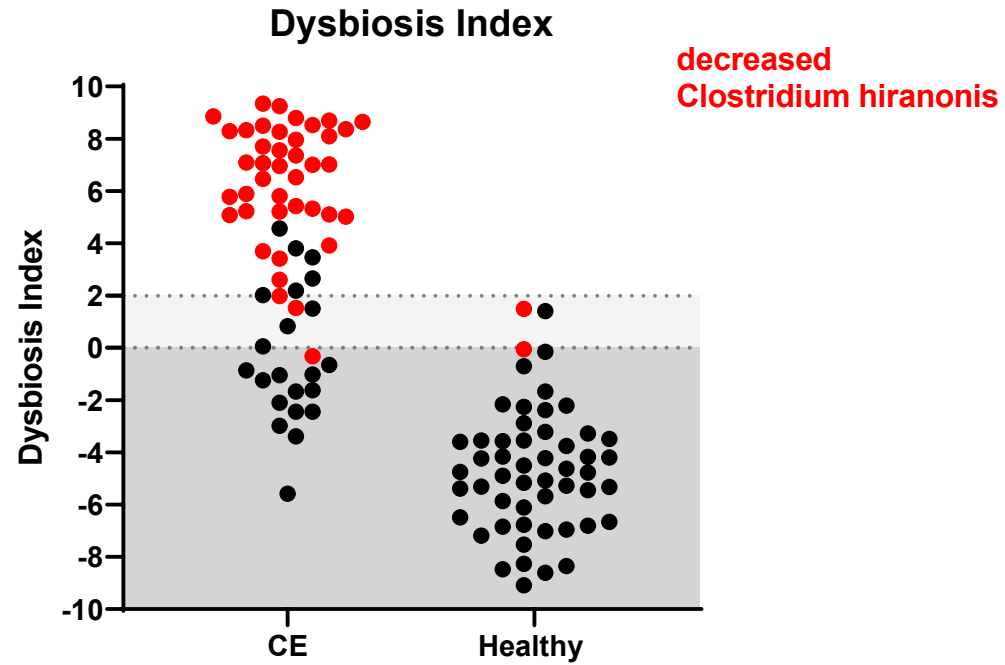
- bile aspiration?
- chenodeoxycholic acid (CDCA) induced pro-inflammatory Interleukin-6 in lung epithelial cells
  - Farnesoid X Receptor (FXR) dependent
- suggest bile acid signalling a trigger for development of chronic respiratory disease

# A dysbiosis index to assess microbial changes in fecal samples of dogs with chronic inflammatory enteropathy

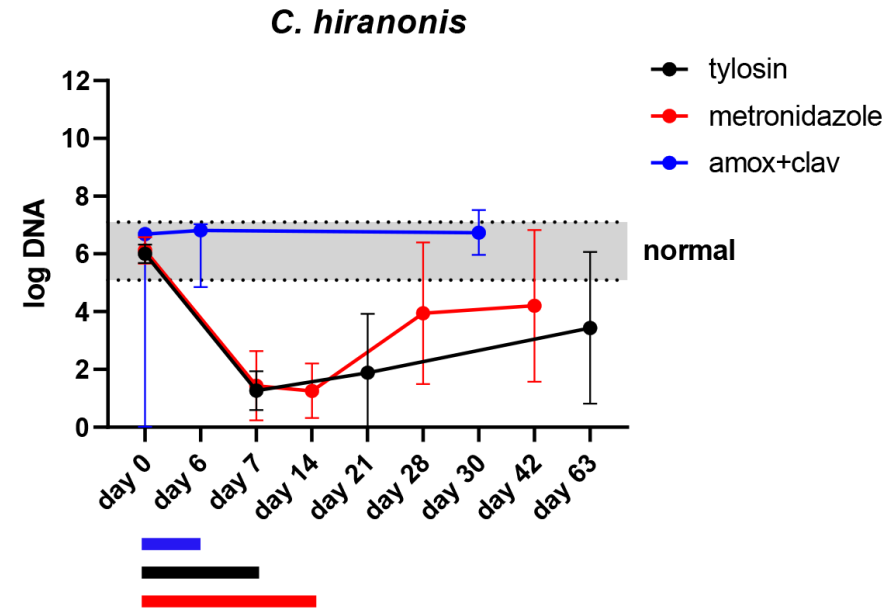
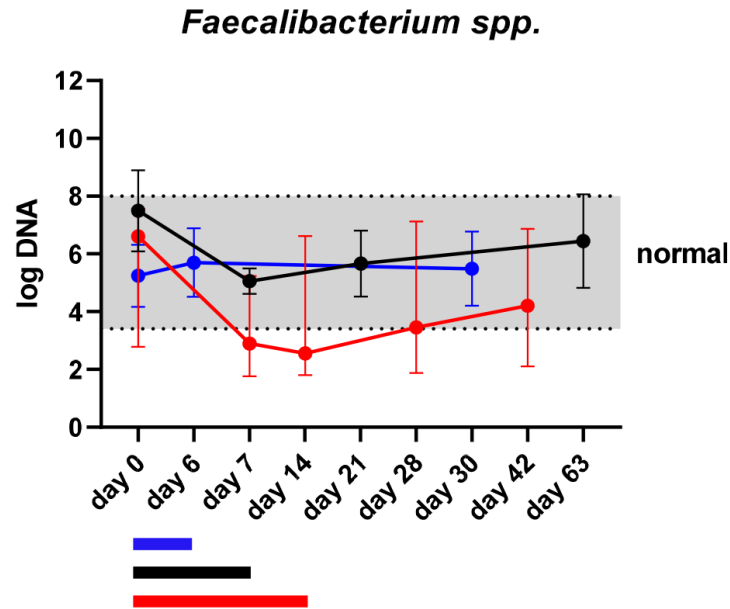
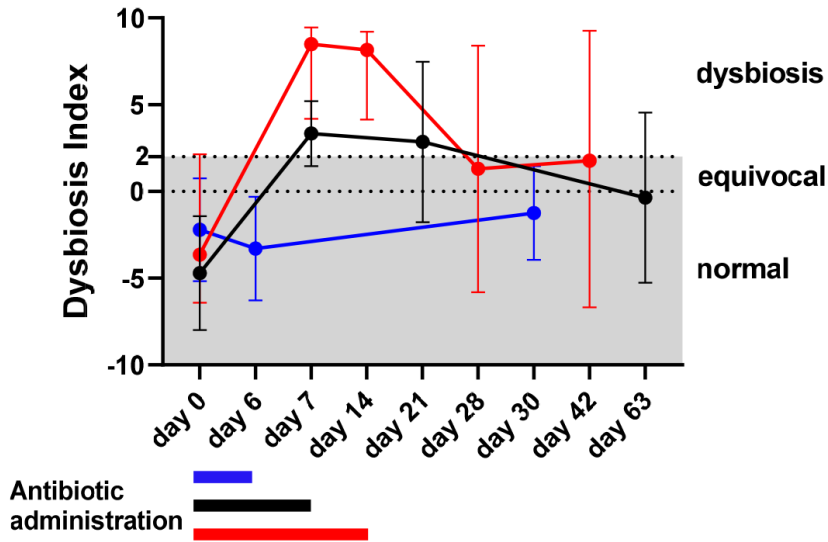
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	Change in dysbiosis	Properties
<b>beneficial</b>		
Faecalibacterium	↓	anti-inflammatory
Turicibacter	↓	short-chain fatty acids
Blautia	↓	short-chain fatty acids
Fusobacterium	↓	short-chain fatty acids
Clostridium hiranonis	↓	bile acid converter
<b>harmful</b>		
Streptococcus	↑	overgrowth in maldigestion
E. coli	↑	pro-inflammatory

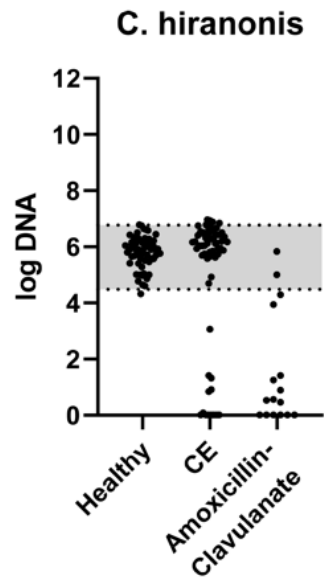
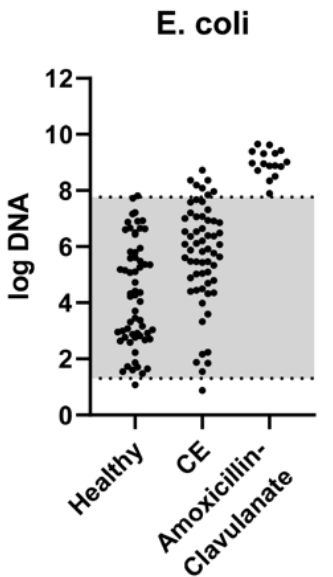
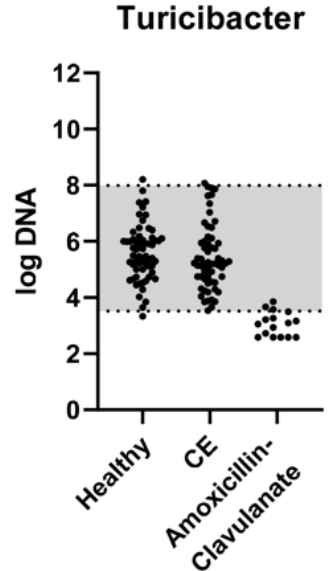
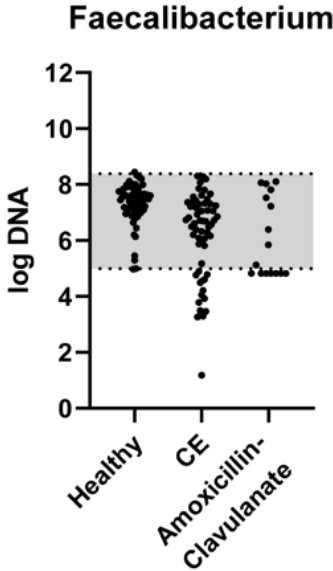
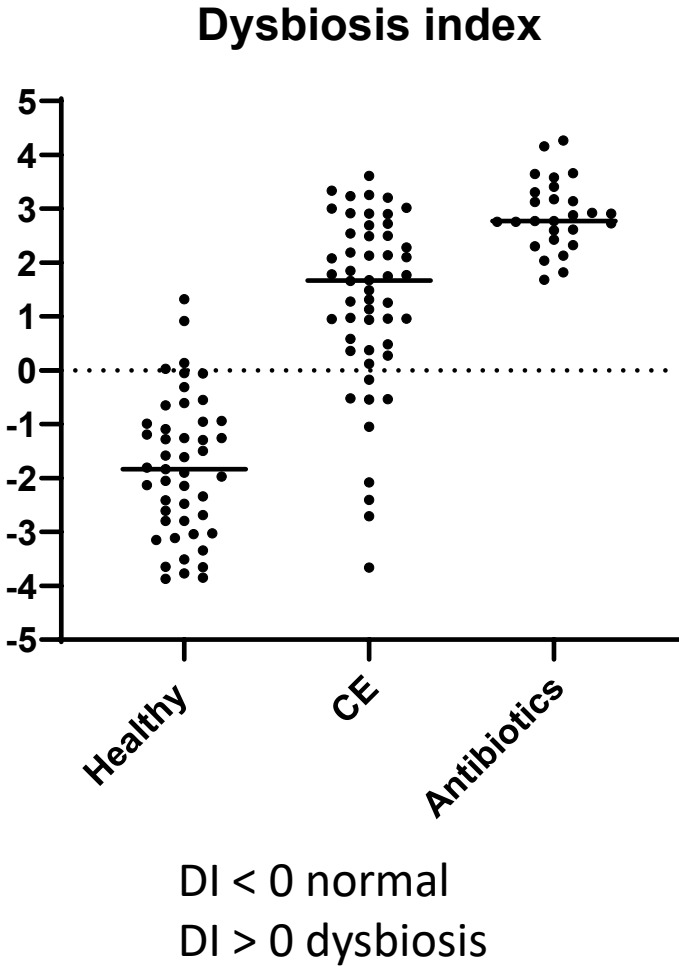


Dysbiosis Index	Sensitivity	CI (95%)	Specificity	CI (95%)
2	0.63	0.53-0.72	1	0.96-1.00
0	0.74	0.65-0.82	0.95	0.89-0.98
-1	0.82	0.73-0.88	0.91	0.84-0.96
-2	0.86	0.78-0.92	0.83	0.74-0.90



# Examples for dysbiosis in cats

- chronic enteropathies (CE) and antibiotics
- reduction in SCFA producing bacteria
  - Faecalibacterium
  - Turicibacter
- increase in TMAO producing bacteria
  - E. coli

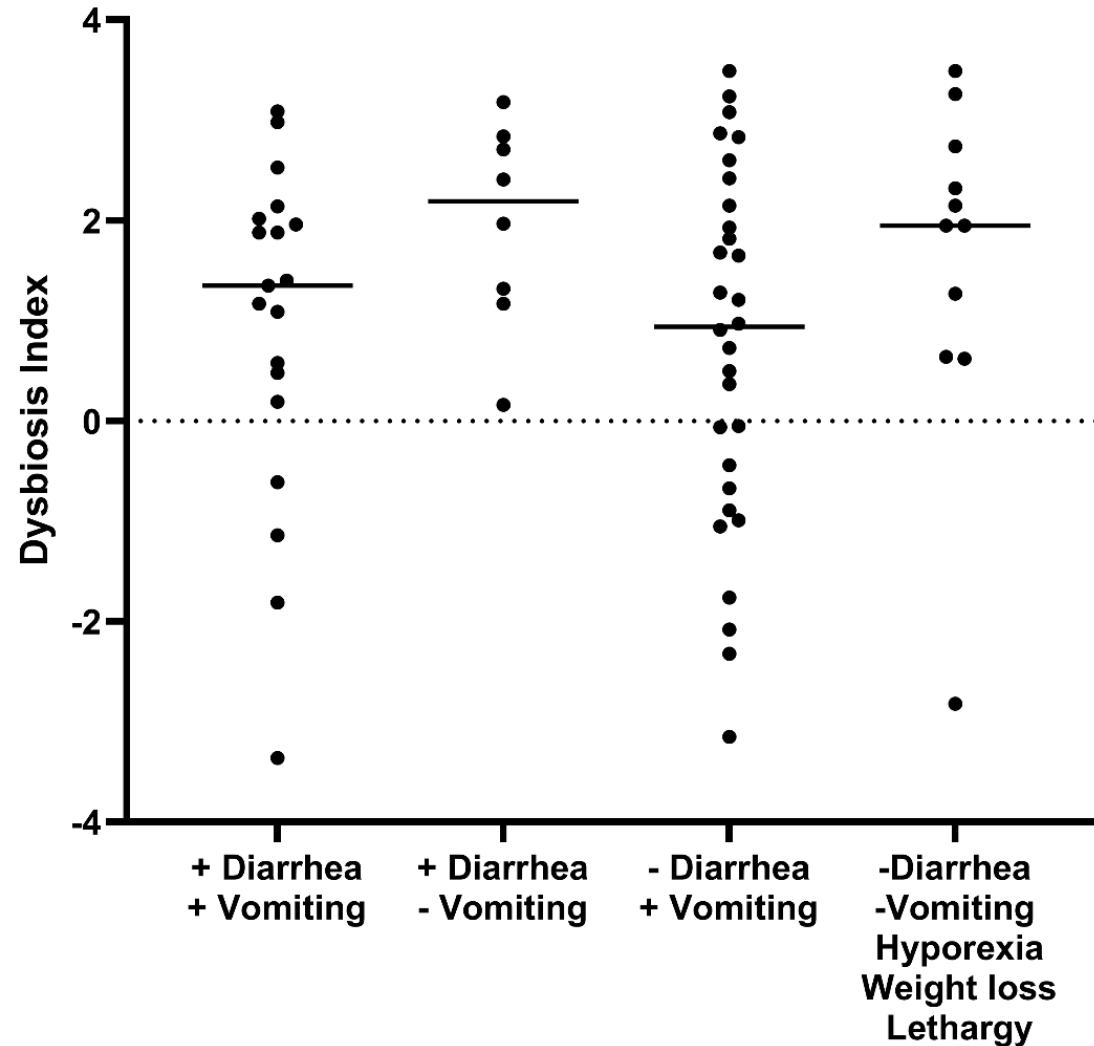


grey zone = reference interval

# Result - Clinicopathological findings of cats with CE

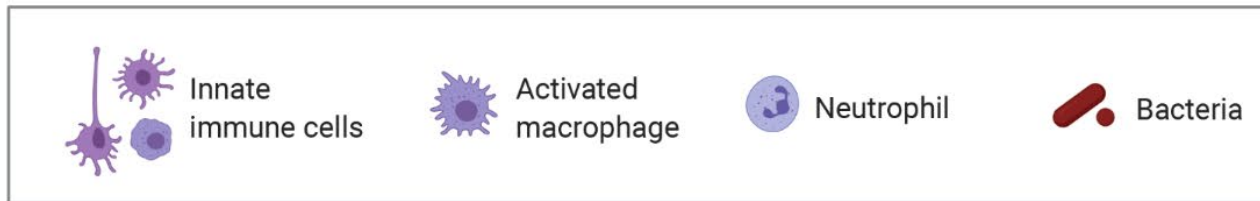
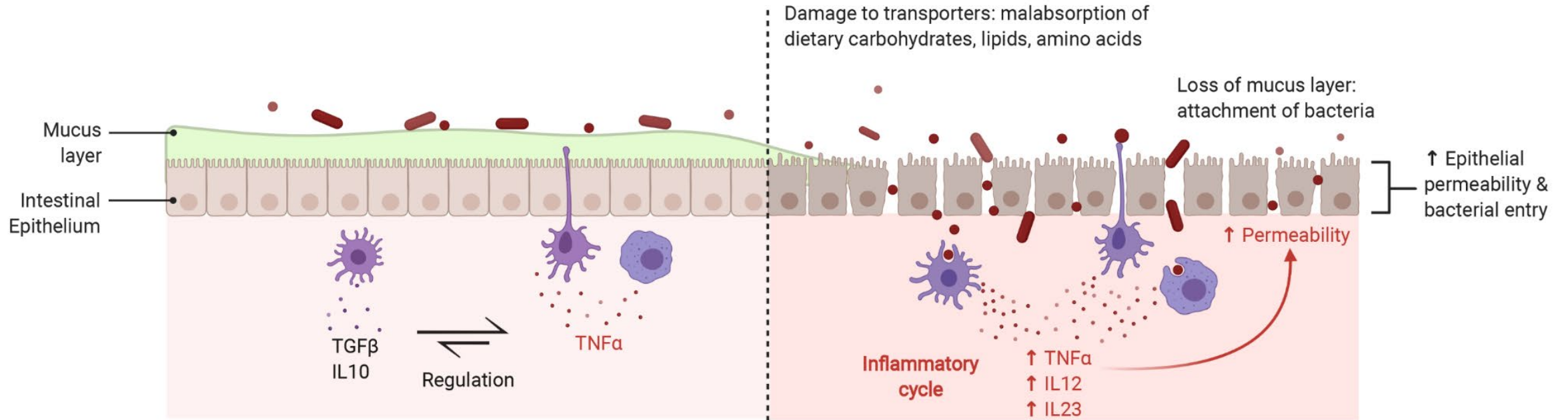
Variables	number (%)	total number evaluated
increased dysbiosis index (>0)	52 (76%)	68
decreased serum cobalamin (<290 ng/L)	21 (34%)	61
increased serum folate (>21.6 µg/L)	15 (28%)	53
increased fPLI (>3.5 µg/L)	14 (28%)	50
increased fTLI (>82 µg/L)	10 (21%)	47
decreased serum folate (<9.7 µg/L)	6 (11%)	53
decreased serum albumin (<2.5 g/dL)	2 (4%)	53

# Increased Dysbiosis Index in cats with CE and non-specific clinical signs

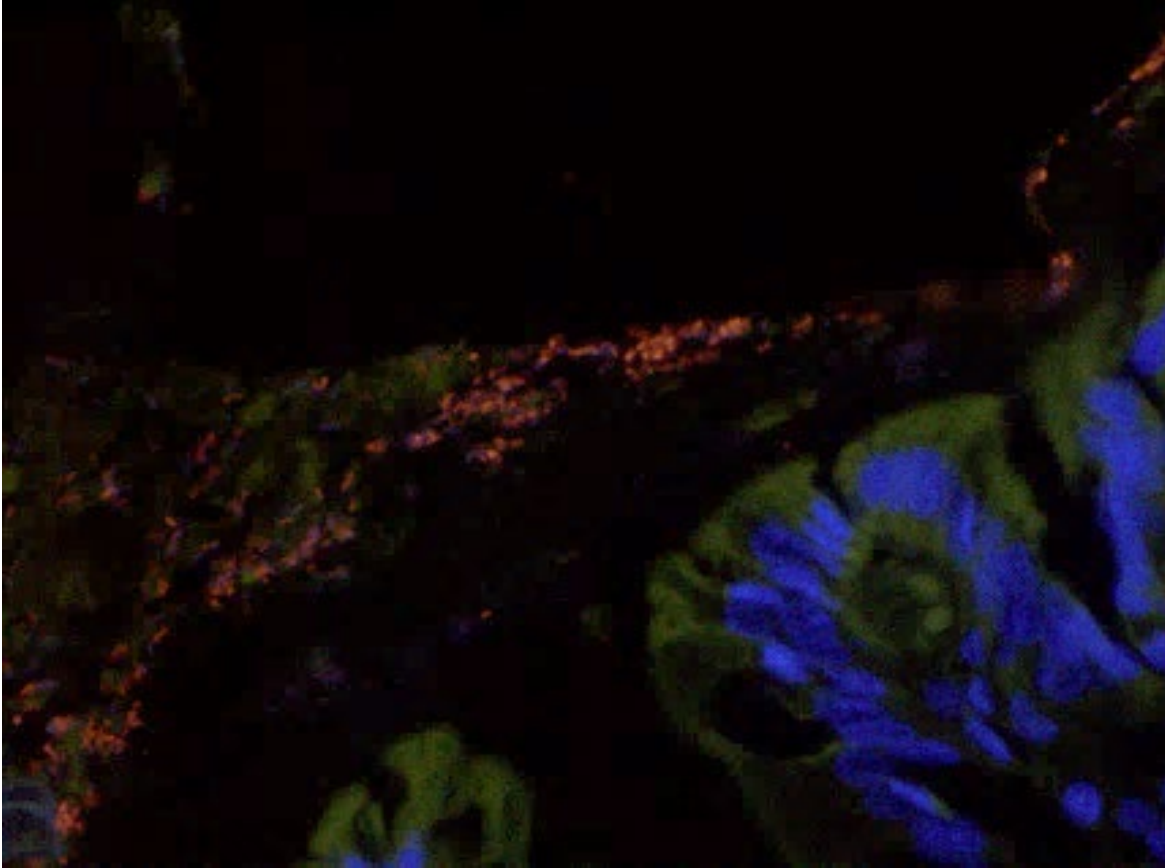


## Normal

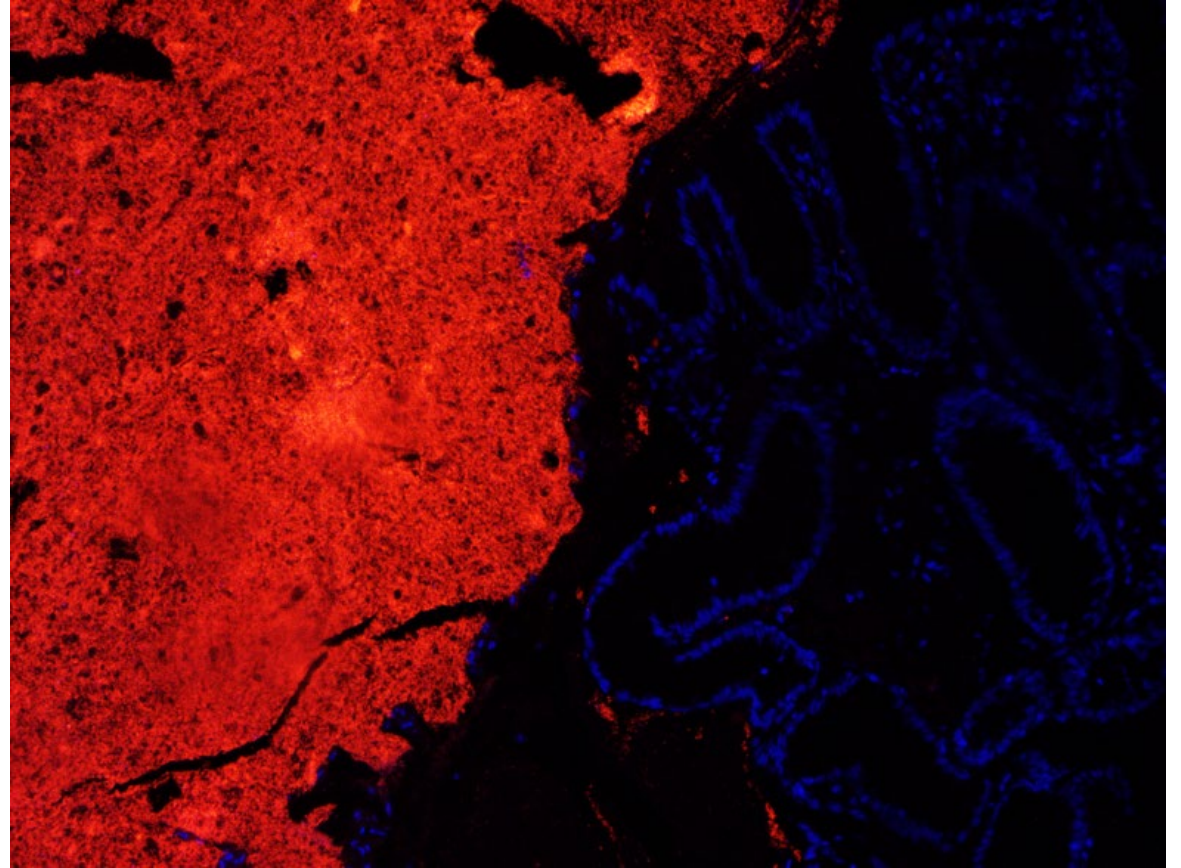
## Chronic enteropathy



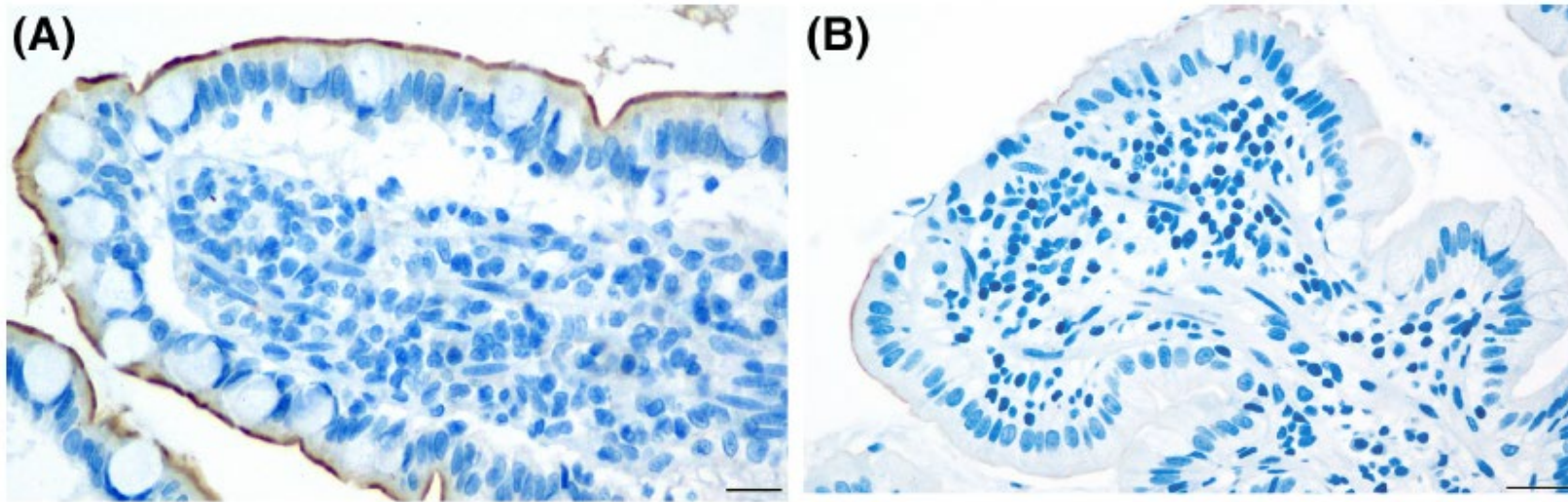
**Healthy dog**



**Dog with chronic enteropathy**



# MALABSORPTION IN DOGS WITH CE



**Bile acid transporter** (ASBT) protein in healthy dog (A) and dog with CE(B)

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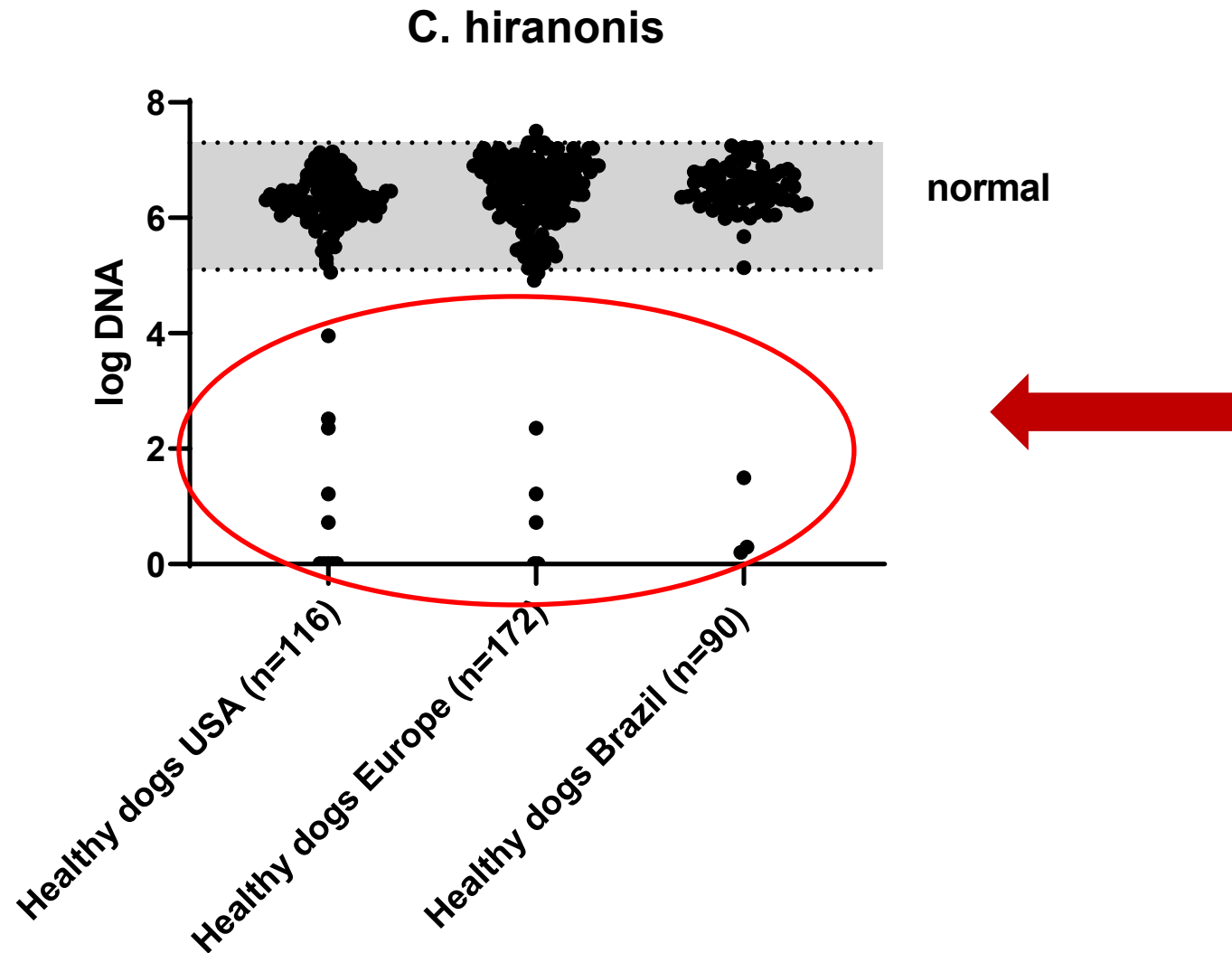
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Comparison of intestinal expression of the apical sodium-dependent bile acid transporter between dogs with and without chronic inflammatory enteropathy

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## Abundance of *C. hiranonis* in fecal samples of healthy dogs

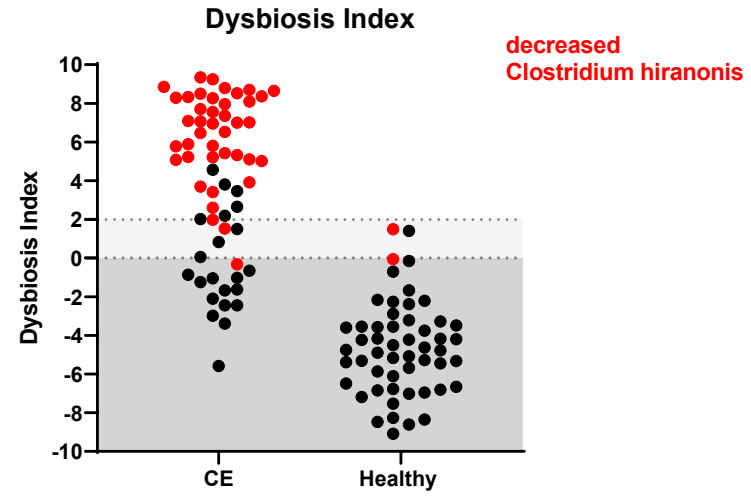


- dogs with decreased abundance of *C. hiranonis* have abnormal bile acid conversion
- increased primary and decreased secondary BA concentration in feces

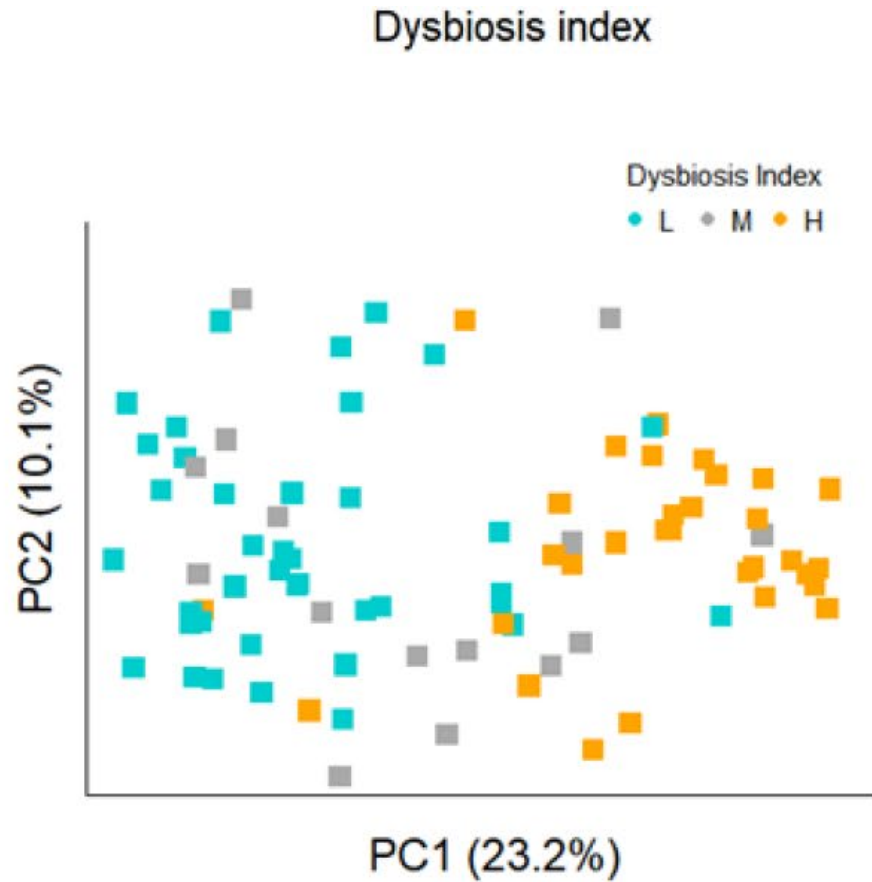


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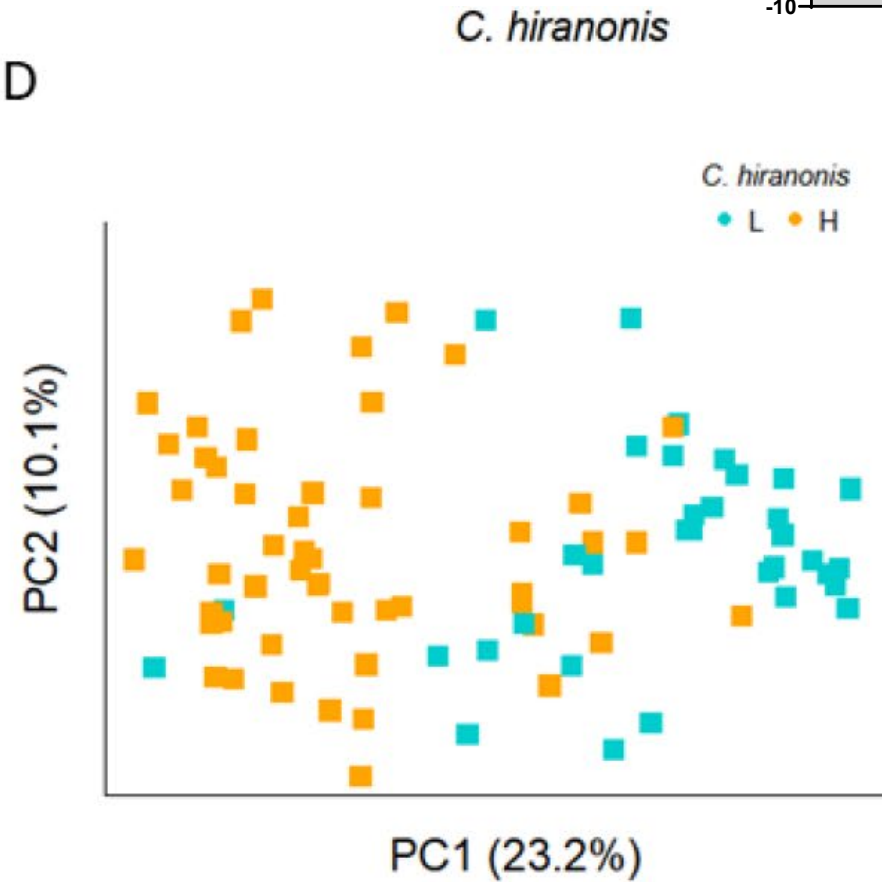
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## Bile acid-independent protection against *Clostridioides difficile* infection

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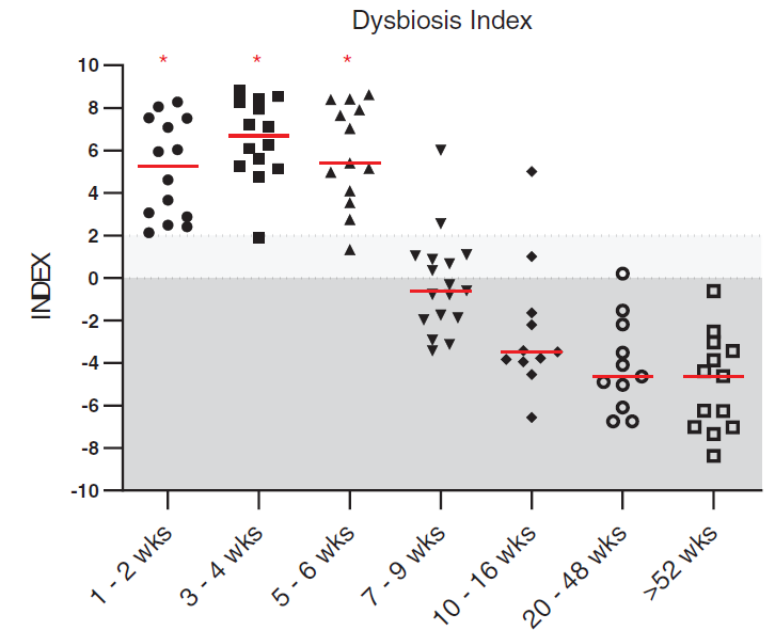
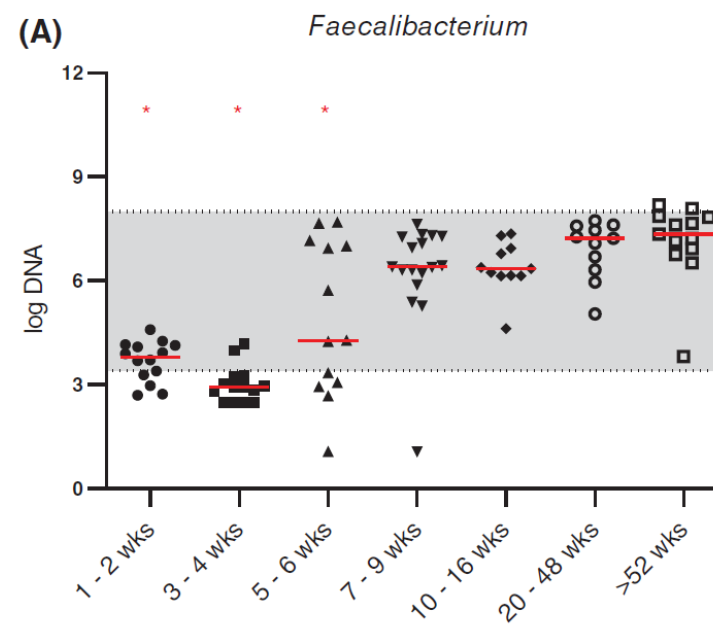
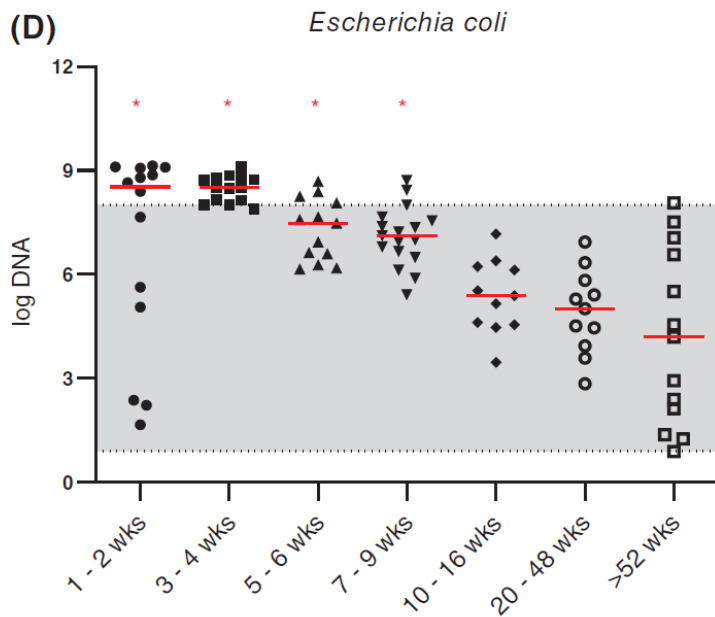
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- bacteria that generate secondary bile acids protect against *C. difficile* disease independently of secondary bile acid generation
- organisms that produce 5-aminovalerate or consume proline / glycine are important

## Developmental stages in microbiota, bile acids, and clostridial species in healthy puppies

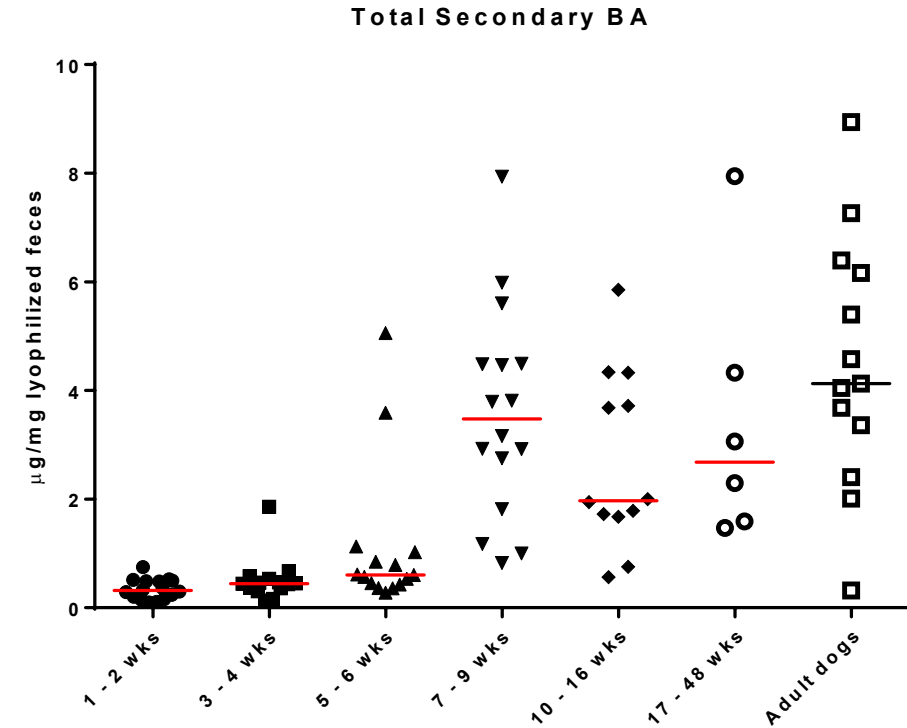
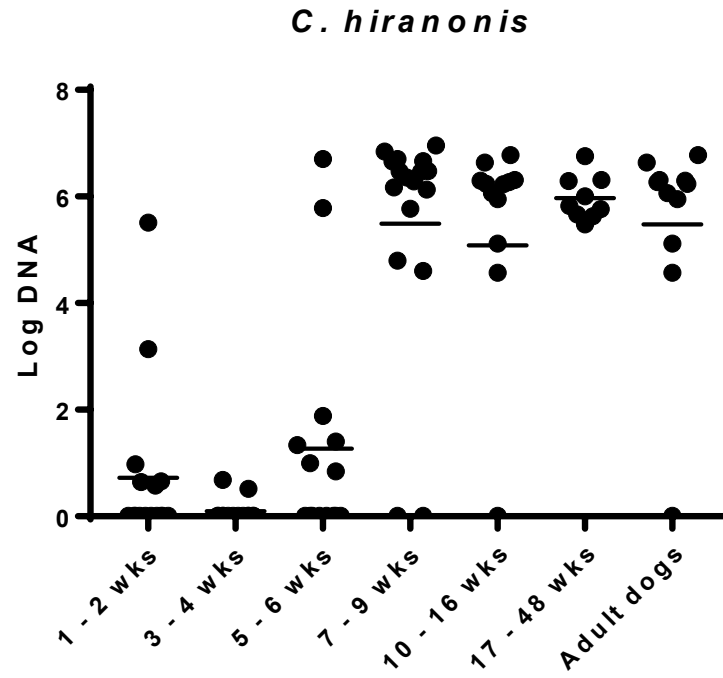
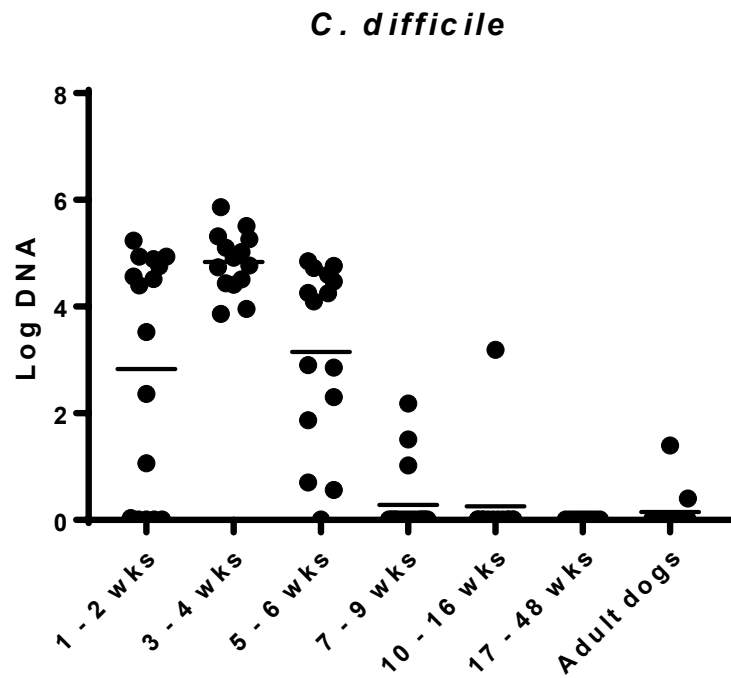
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- puppies are initially colonized by environmental bacteria (eg, *E. coli*)
- anaerobic normal flora appears around 3-4 months of age

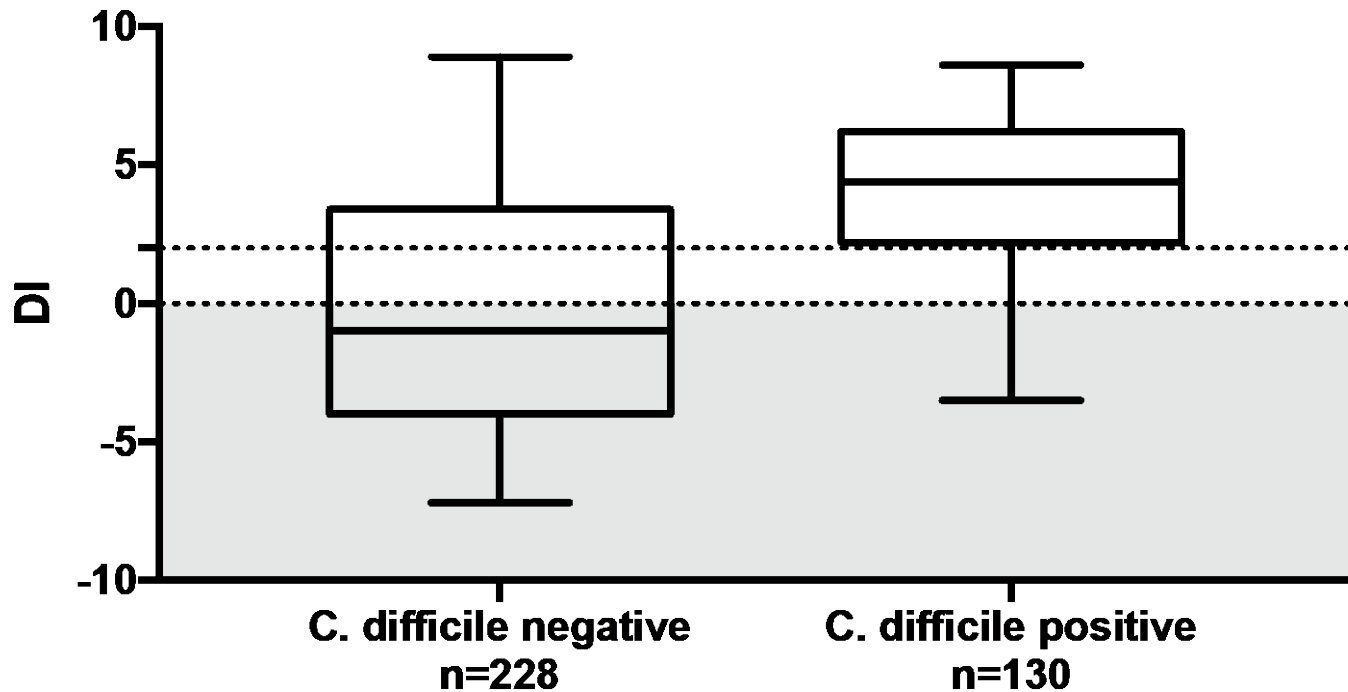


# *Clostridium hiranonis* is important beneficial bacterium in dogs

- converts primary to secondary bile acids (BA)
- correlates with reduction of *C. difficile*



# ASSOCIATION BETWEEN C. DIFF AND DYSBIOSIS



- dogs positive for C. difficile showed a higher Dysbiosis Index ( $p < 0.0001$ )
- 115/130 (89%) of C. difficile positive samples had a DI > 0
- odds ratio of carrying C. difficile 9.5 times higher when DI > 0 than normal DI

abnormal metabolite ratios lead to  
activation of virulence factors

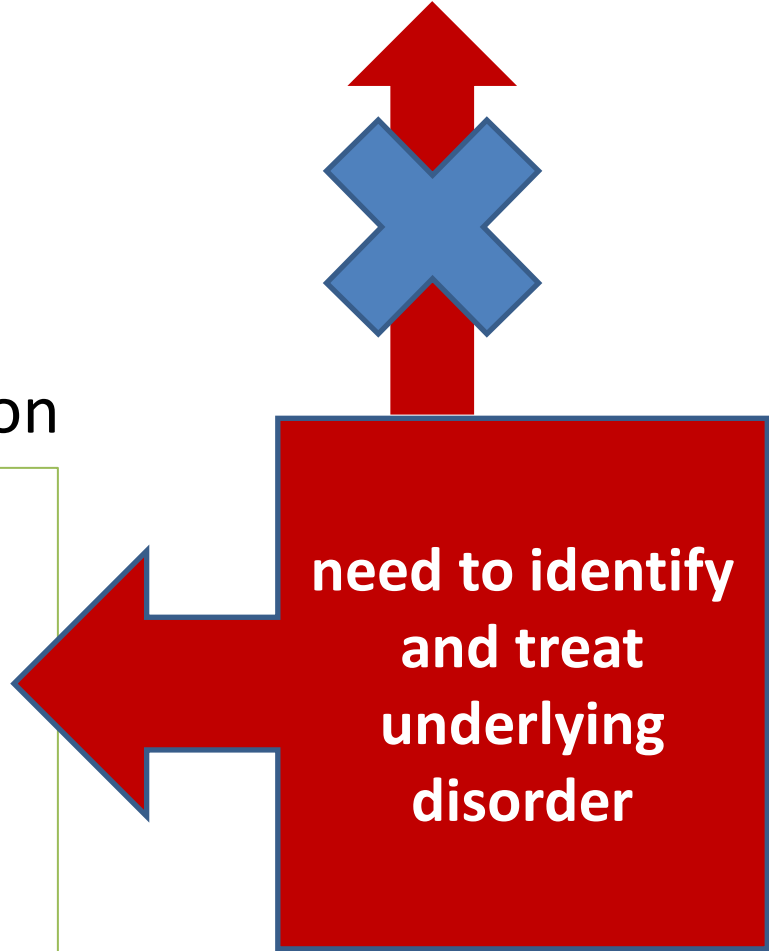
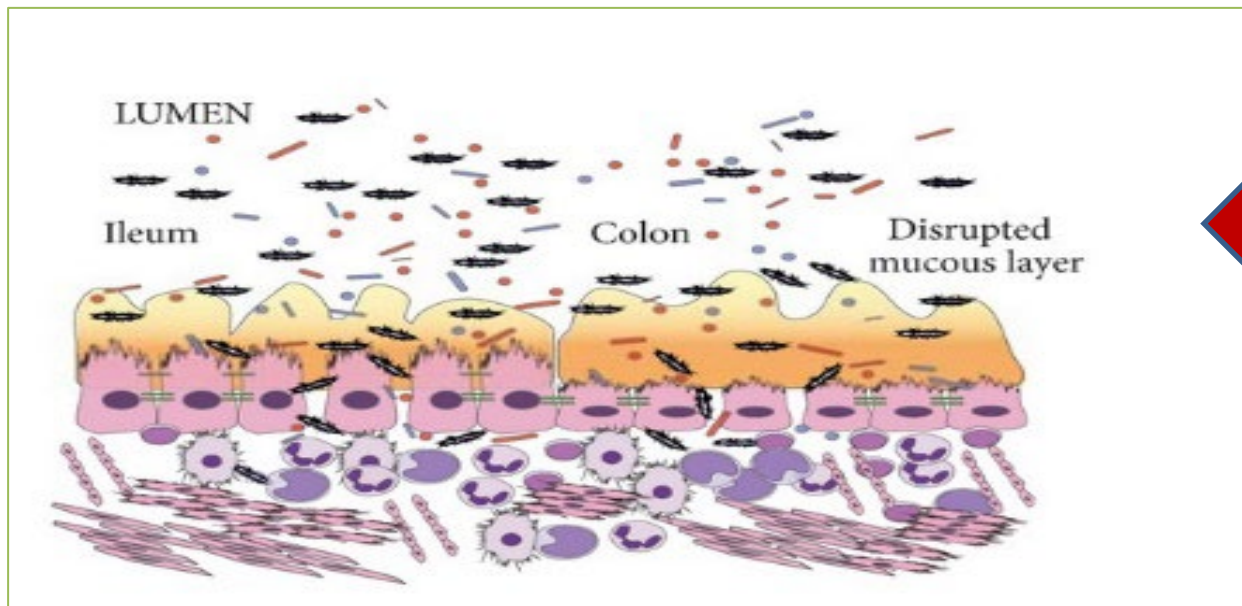
abnormal bile acid conversion  
leads to overgrowth with

*Salmonella, E. coli*

*C. difficile, C. perfringens, E. coli*

**Dysbiosis**

inflammation, maldigestion, malabsorption



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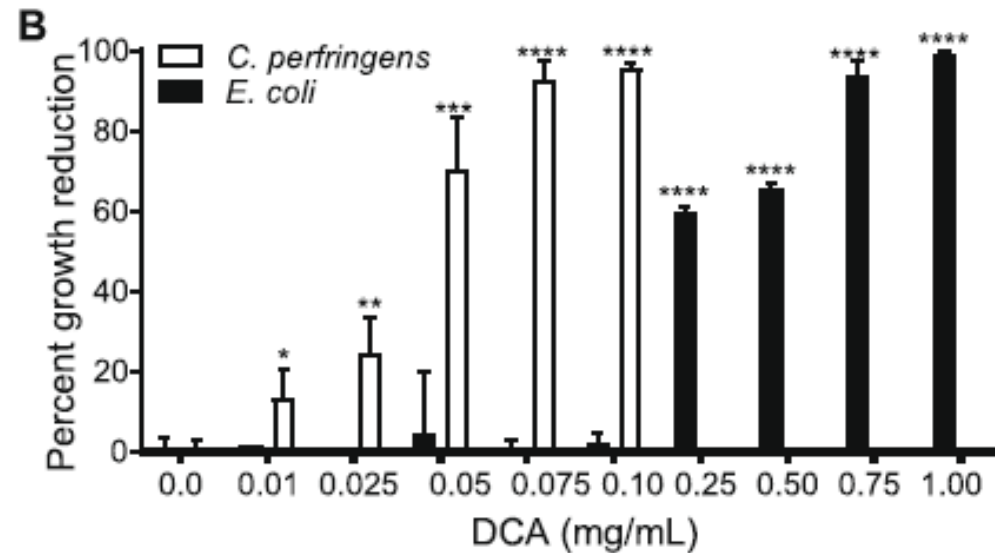
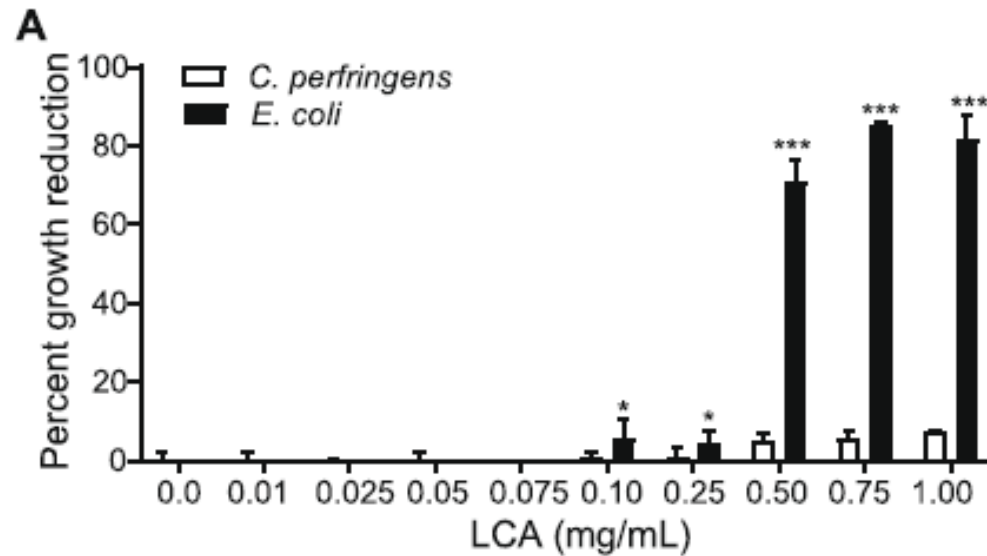
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# Diet-induced remission in chronic enteropathy is associated with altered microbial community structure and synthesis of secondary bile acids

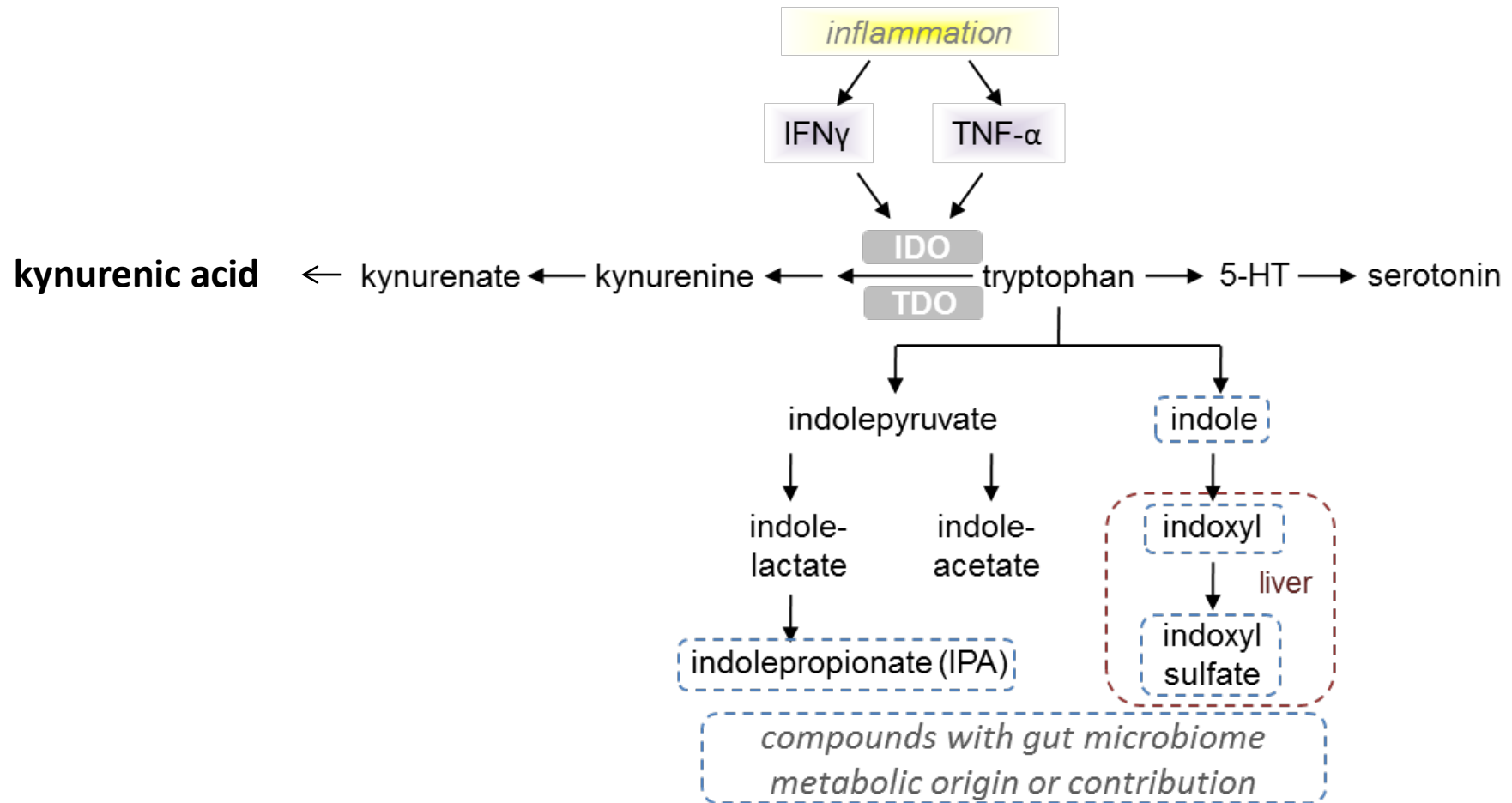


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the secondary bile acids  
lithocholic and deoxycholic acid  
inhibit the in vitro  
growth of *E. coli* and *C. perfringens*

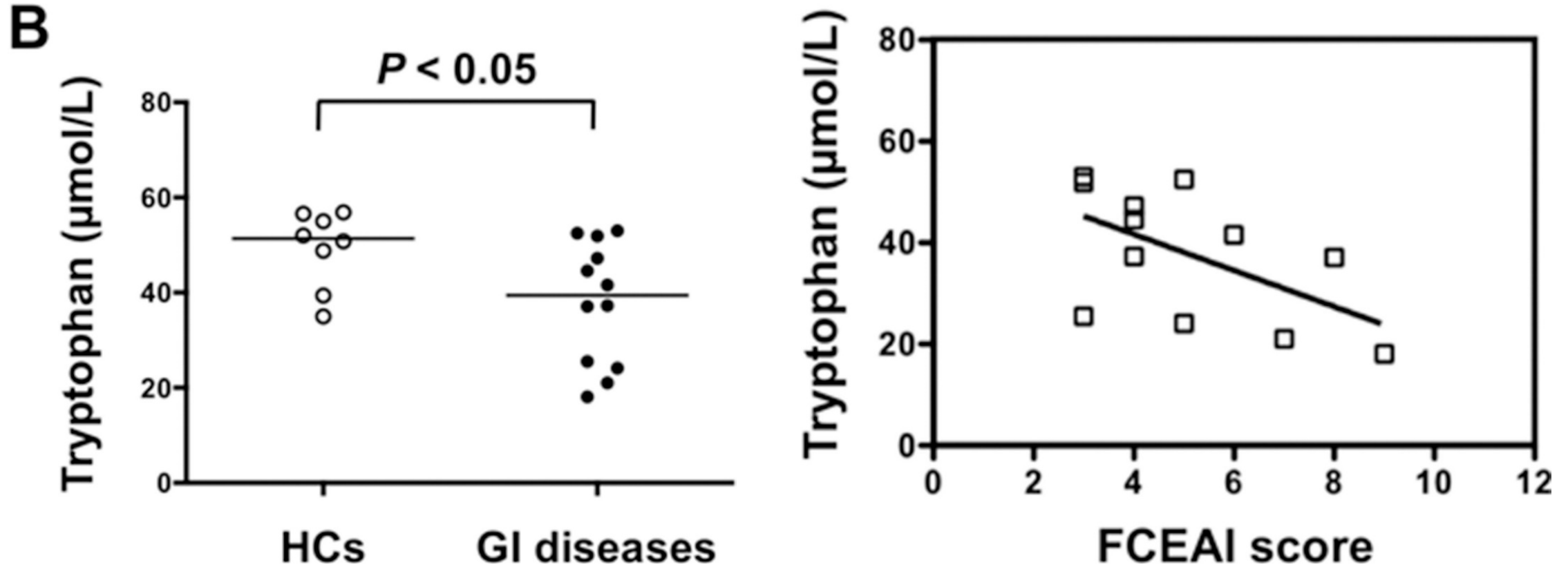


# TRYPTOPHAN CATABOLISM IN INFLAMMATION

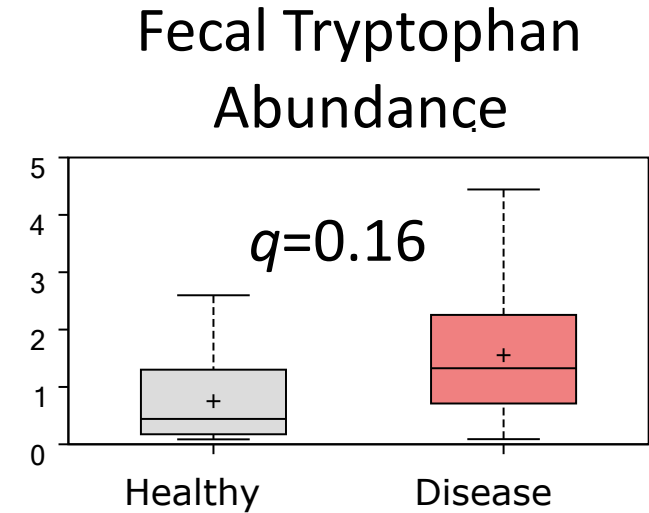
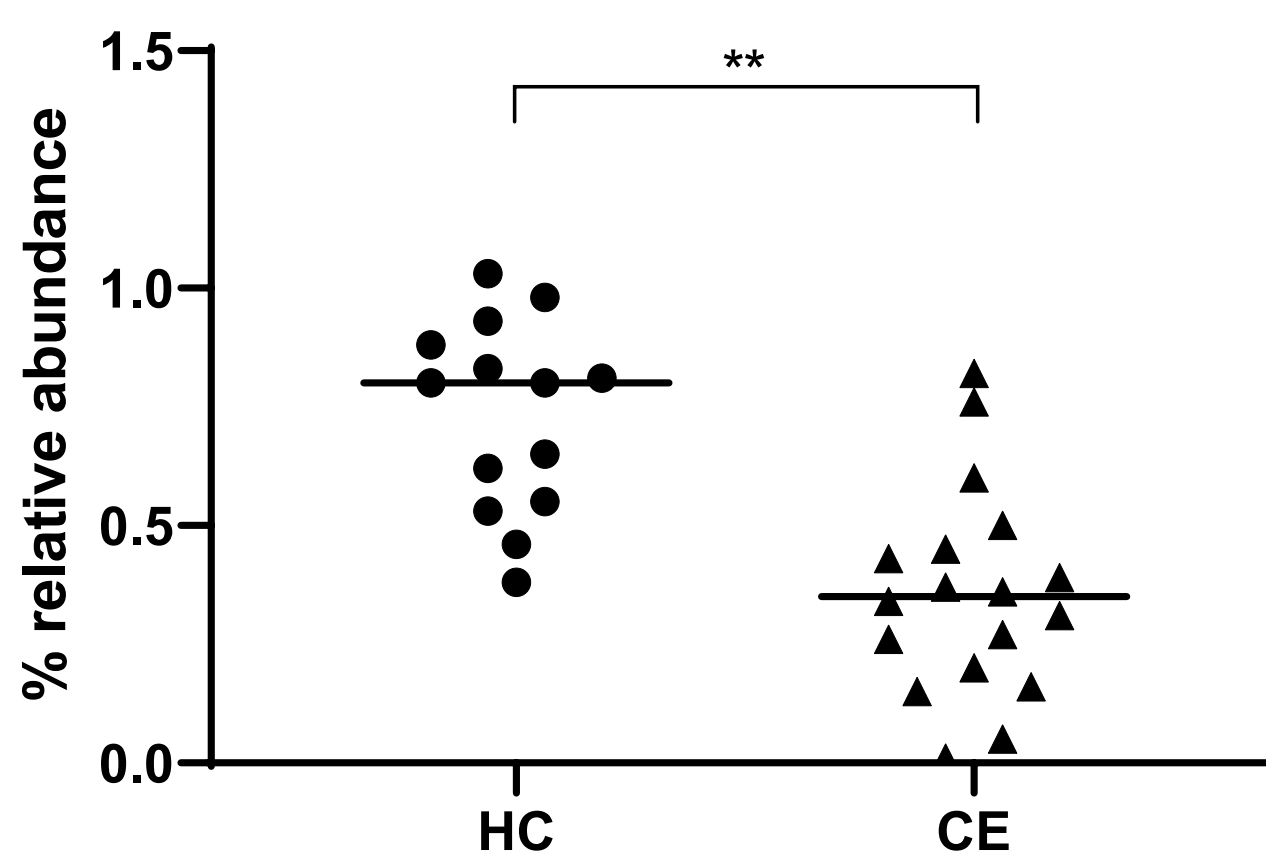


- Tryptophan 2,3-dioxygenase (TDO) and indoleamine 2,3-dioxygenase (IDO)

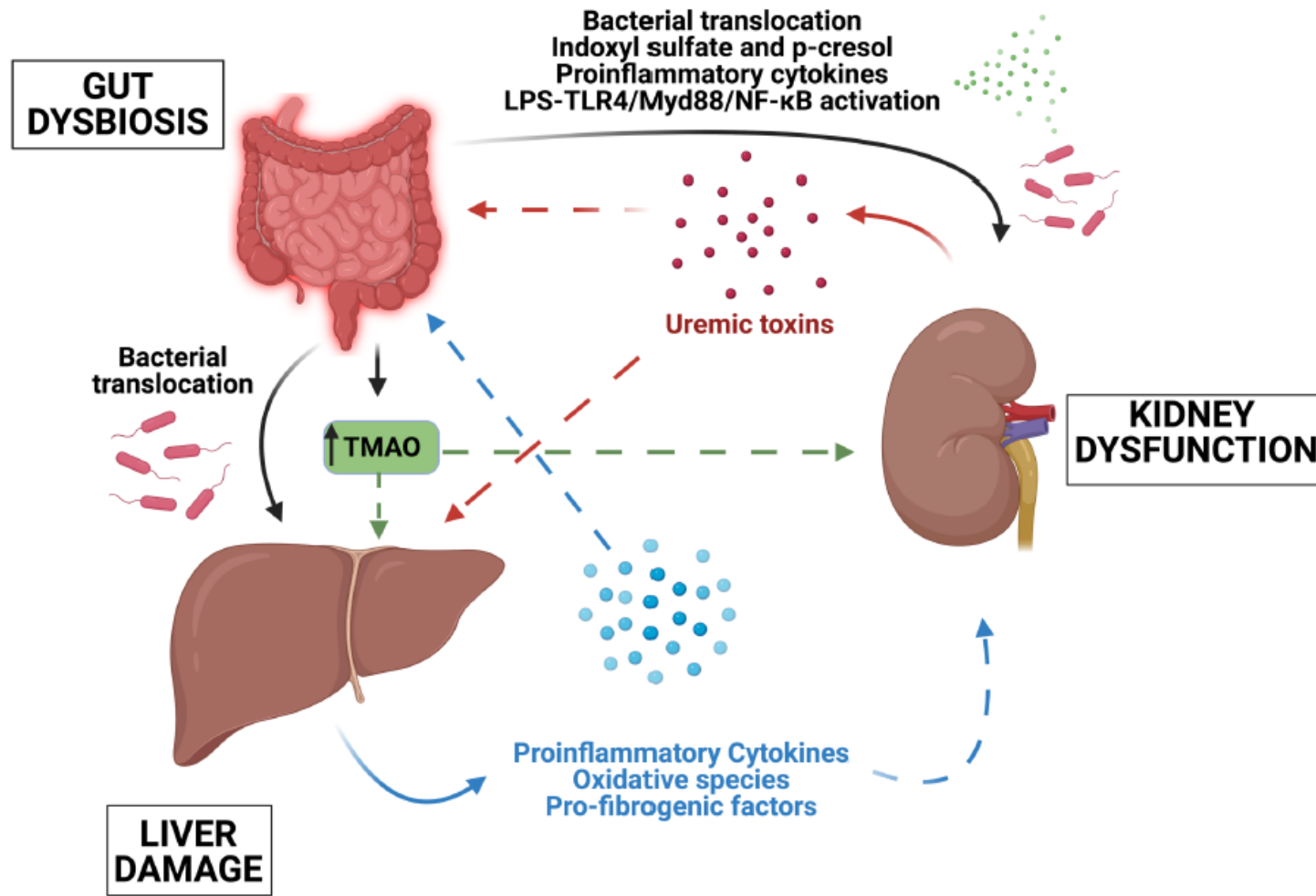
# DECREASED PLASMA TRYPTOPHAN IN CATS WITH GI DISEASE



# DECREASED BACTERIAL GENE ABUNDANCE FOR TRYPTOPHAN BIOSYNTHESIS IN DOGS WITH CE



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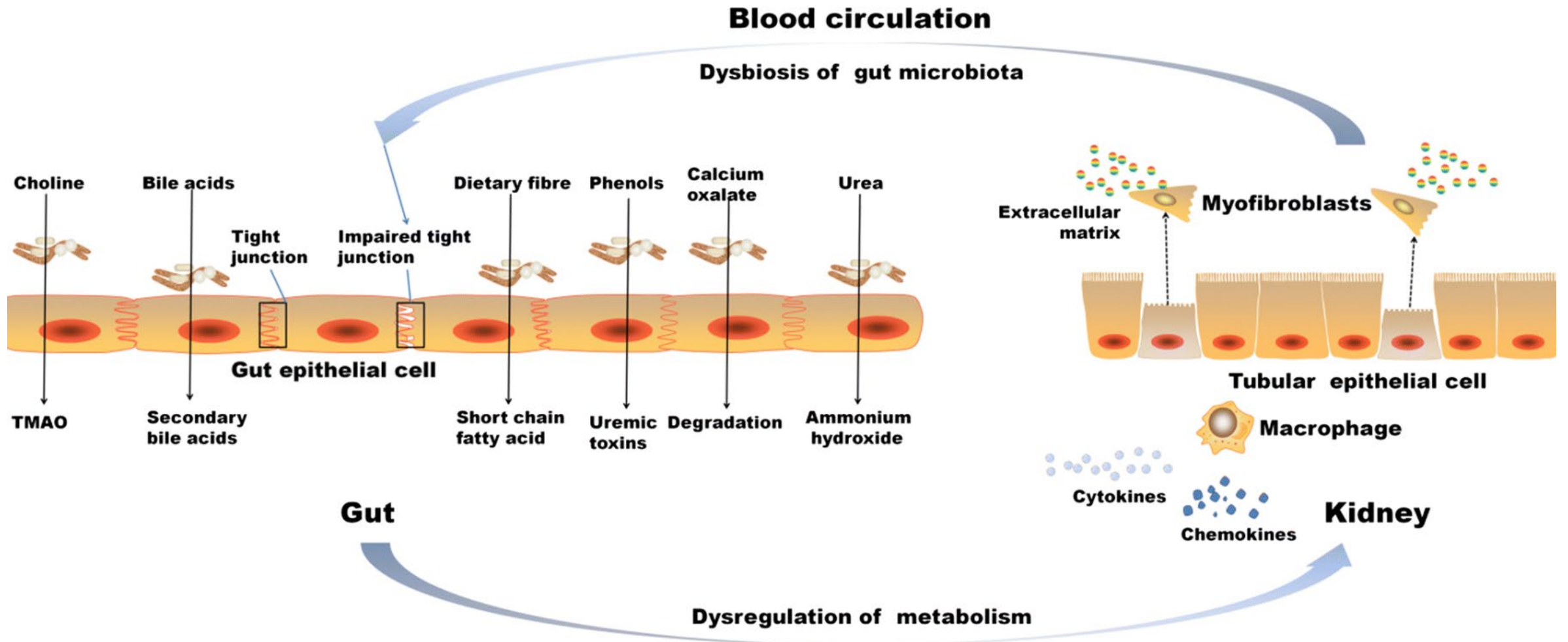


# KIDNEY–GUT AXIS

- bidirectional communication between both organs
- uremia affects GI tract
  - intestinal hypoperfusion, changes in pH, changes in intestinal motility
- increased intestinal permeability
  - potential translocation of endotoxin
  - systemic low grade inflammation

# KIDNEY–GUT AXIS

- in mouse models environmental changes cause intestinal microbiota dysbiosis
  - low fiber intake
  - drugs (e.g., antibiotics, phosphate binders)
- increased systemic uremic toxins may also cause intestinal dysbiosis
- dysbiosis together with increased intestinal permeability
  - potentiates endotoxemia and low-grade systemic inflammation
  - which in turn may affect the progression of CKD



# Bidirectional pathway

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