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The role of the commensal microbiota in carcinogenesis and cancer therapy



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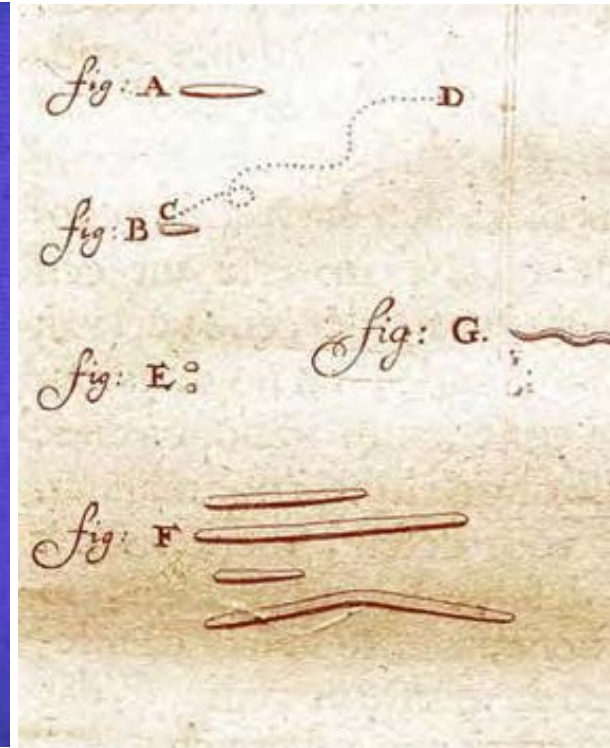
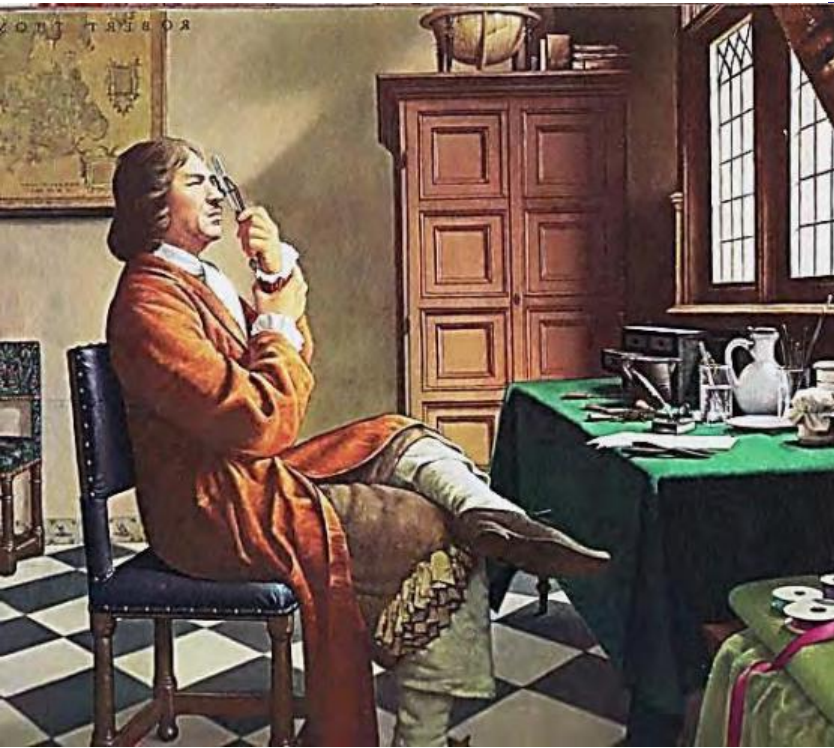
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1683: First observation of commensal microbes (the microbiota)

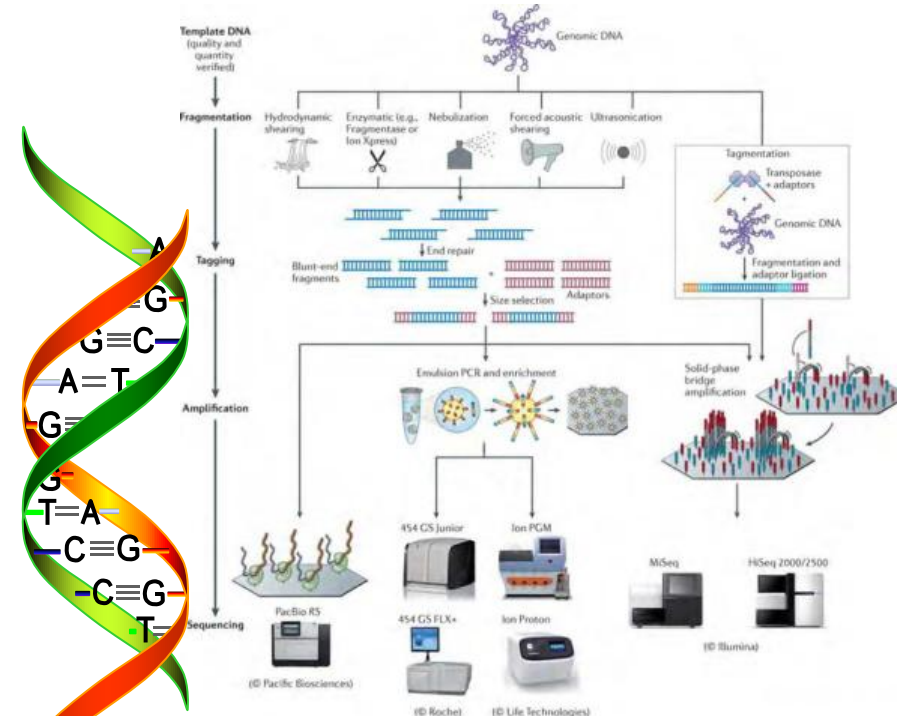


On September 17, 1683 Antonie van Leeuwenhoek wrote to the Royal Society in London about observations on the plaque between his own teeth with his homemade microscope:

"I then most always saw, with great wonder, that in the said matter there were many very little living animalcules, very prettily a-moving".

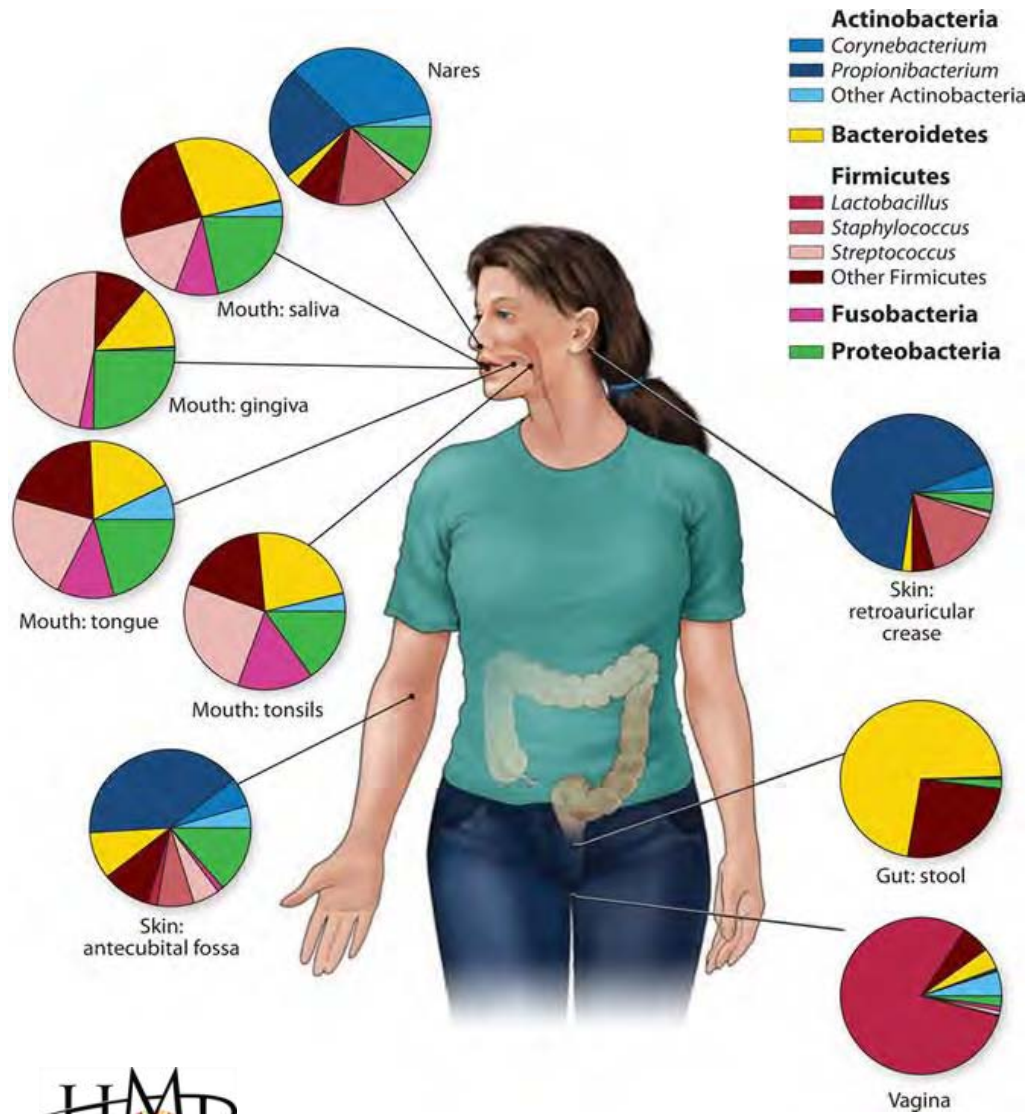


We can culture only a fraction of the bacterial species that live in our body



High throughput DNA sequencing

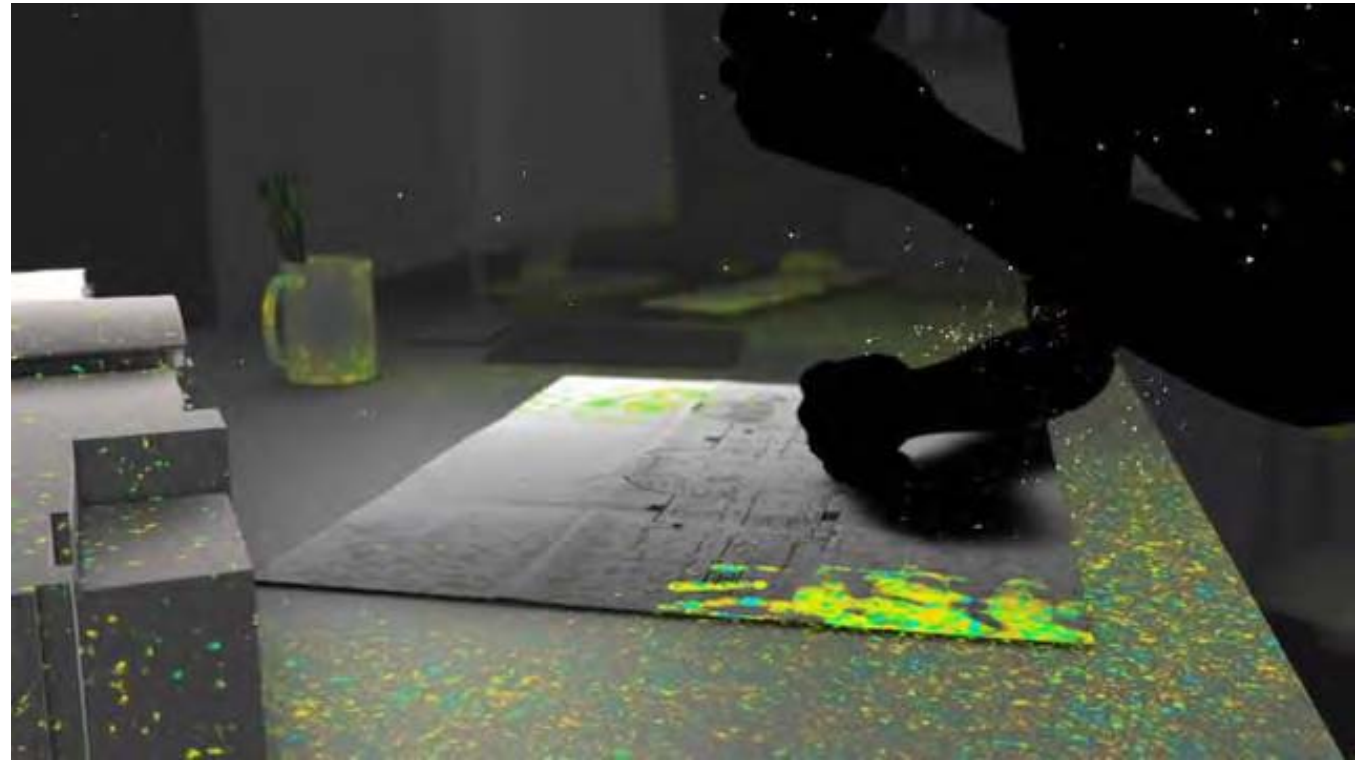
Humans have co-evolved with microbial partners



Human microbiome project

BioBE Center
Cameron Slayden Animator

- We are a composite of species: bacteria, archaea, protozoa, fungi, viruses, bacteriophages
- Commensal microorganisms
 - inhabit all barrier surfaces of our organism
 - are at least as numerous as human cells
 - their DNA (**the microbiome**) contains 100 times more genes than our 'own' **human genome**

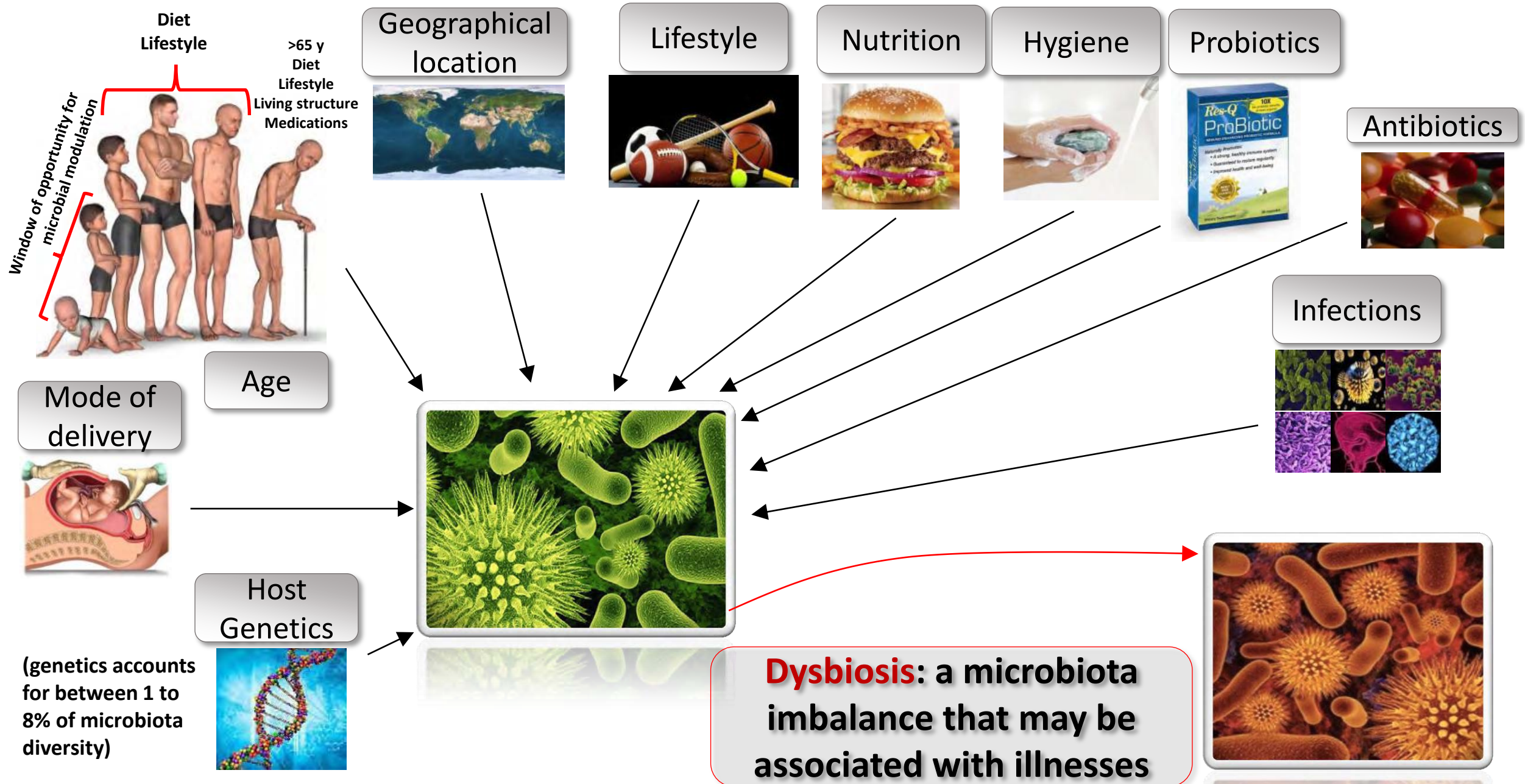


Humans are **metaorganisms composed of the large host (human) cells and commensal microbial cells**

The commensal microbiota is indispensable for the survival of the metaorganism and the cross-talk between the host and its microbiota regulates many physiological functions.



Changes in our microbiota...

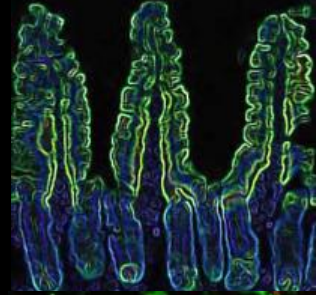




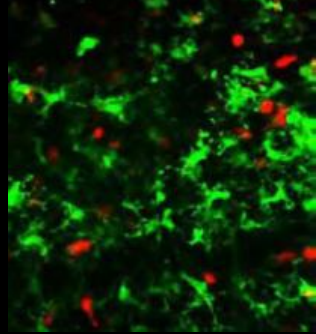
Microbiota

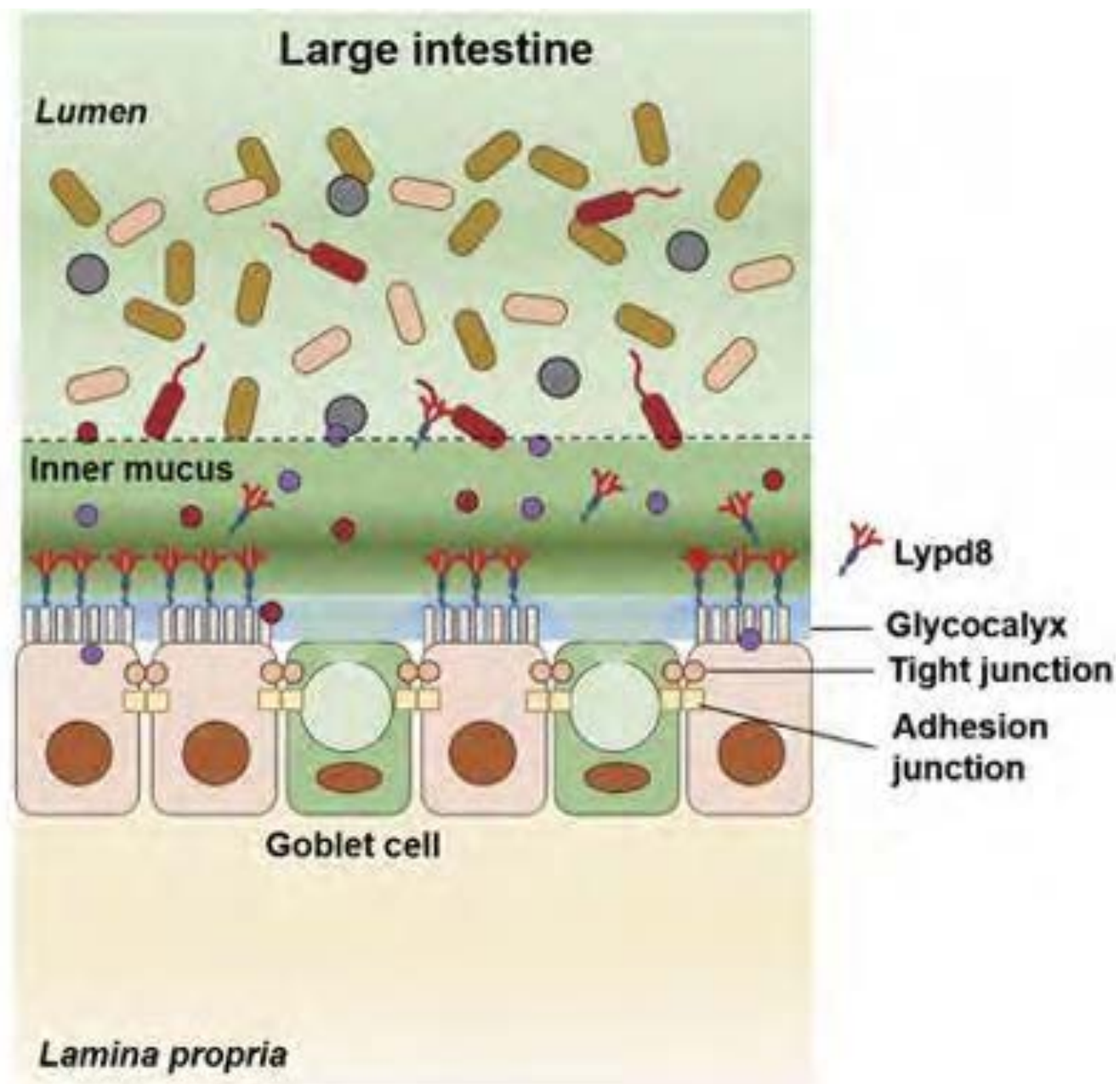
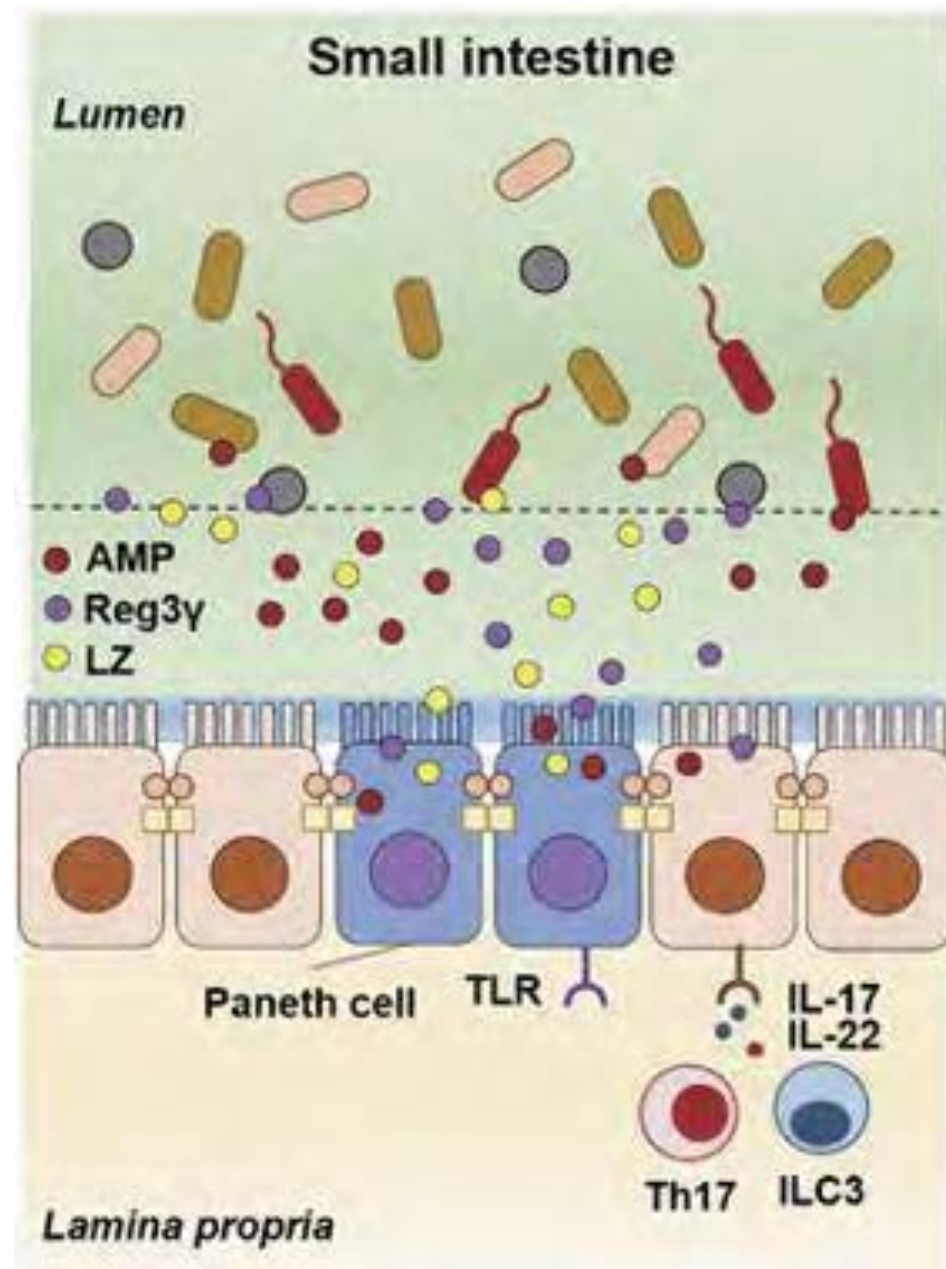


Mucosa



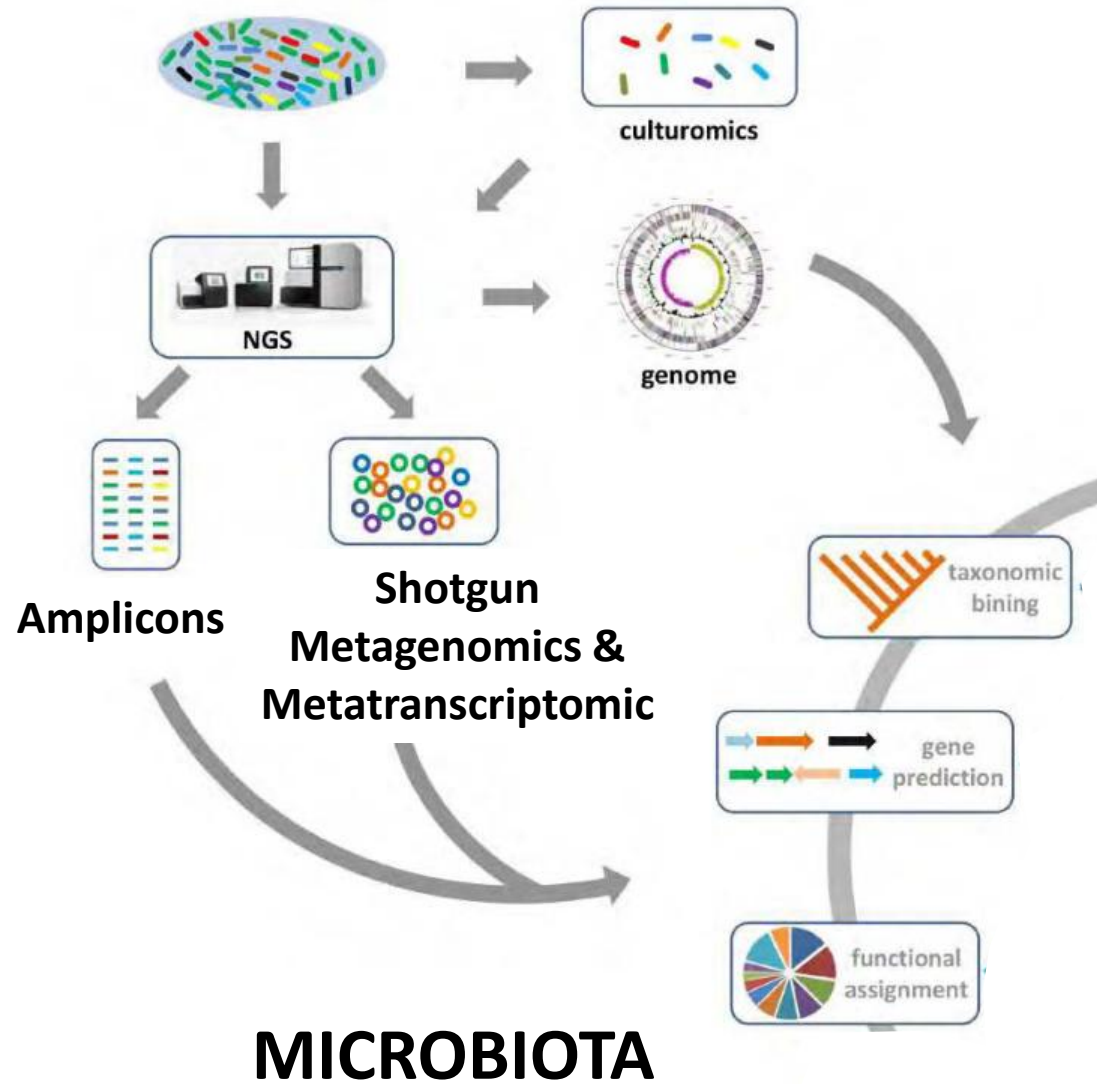
Lamina propria





**Transkingdom Networks:
A Systems Biology Approach to Identify
Causal Members of Host-Microbiota
Interactions**

**Variable
regions of the
16 rRNA gene**



MICROBIOTA

HOST

Modified from: Ji B, Nielsen J. From next-generation sequencing to systematic modeling of the gut microbiome. Front Genet. 2015



SYSTEMIC EFFECTS

LOCAL EFFECTS

Immune response to respiratory viruses, Allergy



Behavior and cognitive functions



Development of the immune system



Inflammatory bowel diseases



Nutrient absorption,
Synthesis of Vitamins,
Metabolism of bile and hormones,
Fermentation of undigestible carbohydrates,
Barrier fortification,
Mucosal Immunity

Innate and adaptive skin immunity

Naik S,, Trinchieri G, Segre JA, Belkaid Y.

Compartmentalized control of skin immunity by resident commensals

Science. 2012;337:1115-9

Skin Microbiota



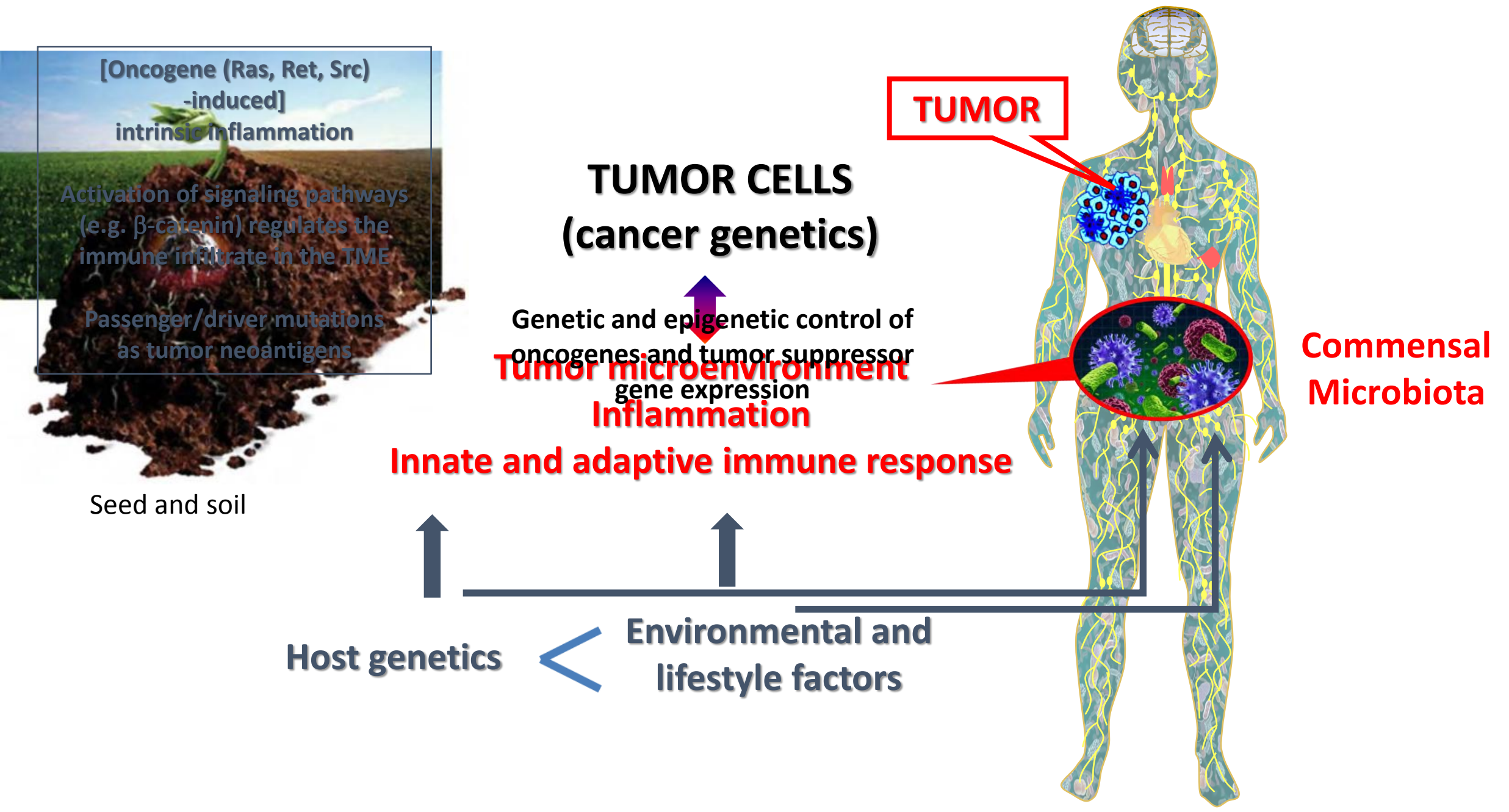
Metabolism
(Obesity, metabolic syndrome, insulin resistance)



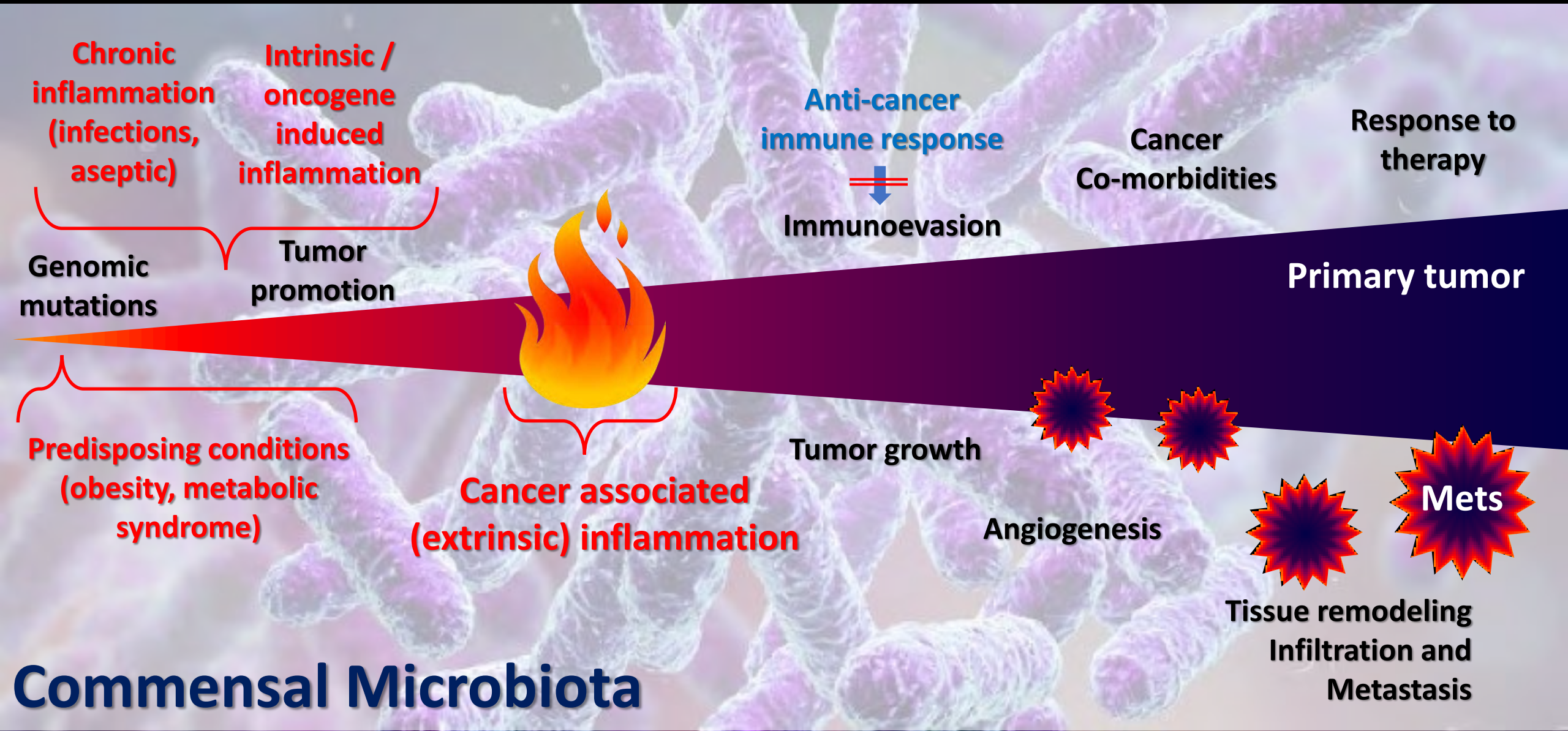
Autoimmunity



Cancer as a disease of the human metaorganism



Cancer, Inflammation & the Microbiota



Rous Sarcoma Virus



Rous Sarcoma Virus induces tumors in adult birds at the site of injection or injury but not in sterile embryos even if the cells in the embryo express the Src viral oncogene and show a transformed phenotype when cultured *in vitro*.

Bissell MJ, Hines WC (2011) **Why don't we get more cancer? A proposed role of the microenvironment in restraining cancer progression.** Nat Med 17: 320-9

Dolberg DS, Bissell MJ (1984) **Inability of Rous sarcoma virus to cause sarcomas in the avian embryo.** Nature 309: 552-6

Dolberg DS, Hollingsworth R, Hertle M, Bissell MJ (1985) **Wounding and its role in RSV-mediated tumor formation.** Science 230: 676-8

Local and distant effects of the microbiota on cancer

Stomach cancer
(Helicobacter pylori)
Colon rectal carcinoma
*(Escherichia coli, Fusobacterium spp.
enterotoxigenic Bacteroides fragilis,
Streptococcus gallolyticus)*
Gallbladder carcinoma
(Salmonella enterica Thyphi)

**Cancer at epithelial
barrier surfaces**

**Cancer
at sterile sites**

**Systemic
effects**

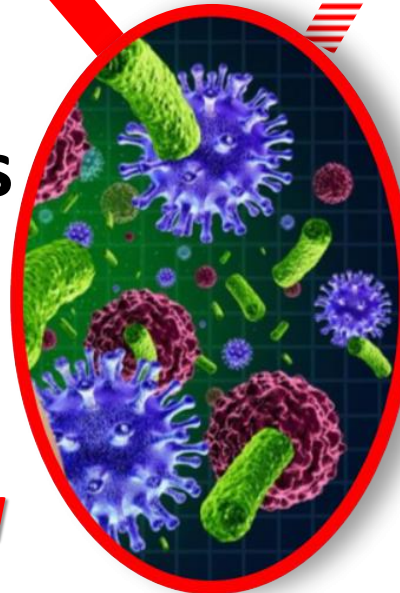
Malt lymphoma
**Hepatocellular
carcinoma**
Mammary carcinoma
Thymic lymphoma
Sarcoma
Ovarian Cancer

**Local
effects**

Pancreatic cancer
Lung cancer
CRC metastases

*Inactivation of chemotherapeutic
drugs (gemcitabine)
Either immunosuppression or
immune activation*

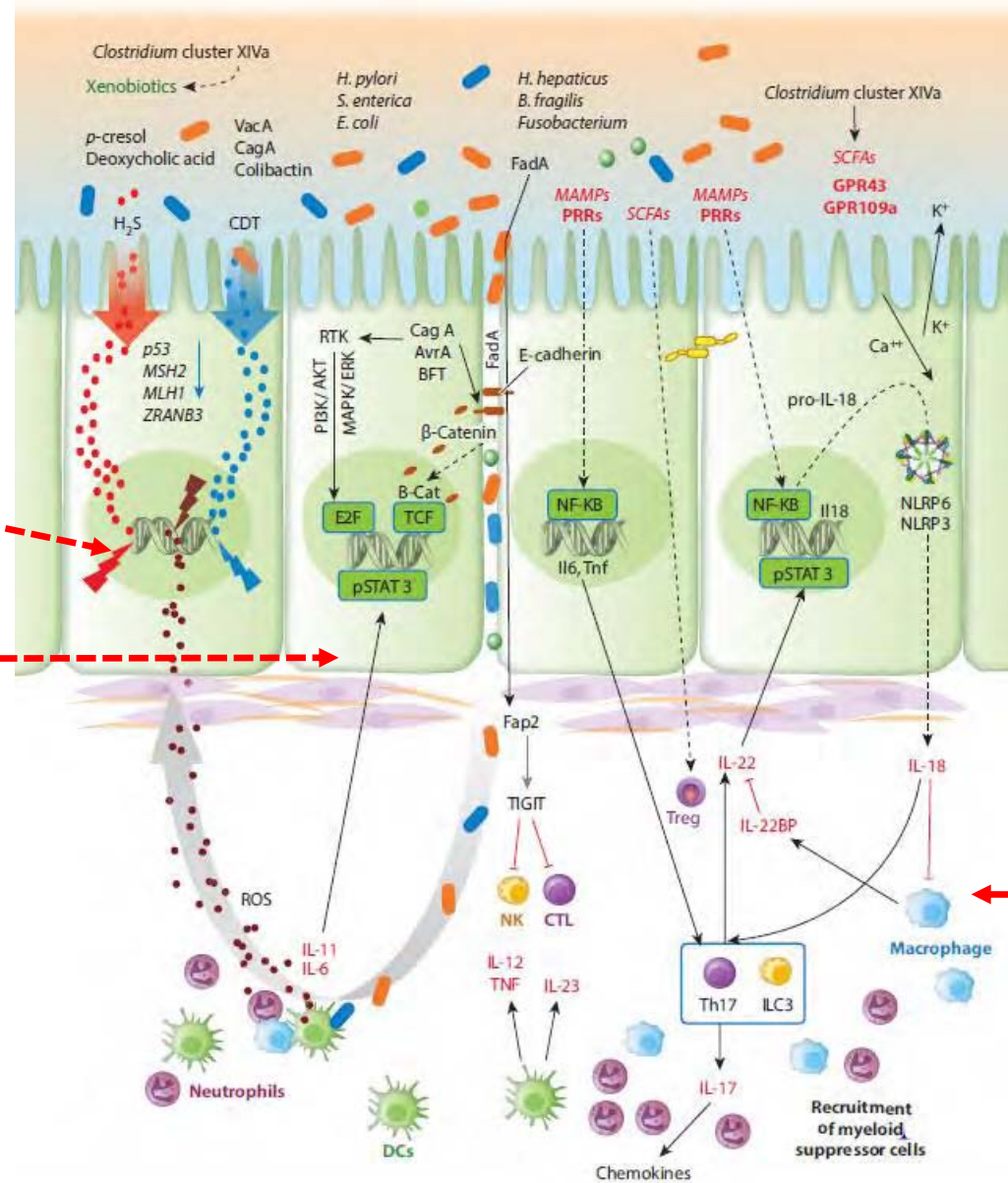
**Intratumoral
bacteria**



**(Gut)
Commensal
Microbiota**

**Effectiveness and
Toxicity of
Chemotherapy and
Immunotherapy
against sterile
tumors**

The microbiota affects cancer cell genetic stability and proliferative pathways as well as inflammation and immunity in the tumor microenvironment



Genetic stability

(DNA damage, DNA repair)

Proliferative pathways

Inflammation and immunity

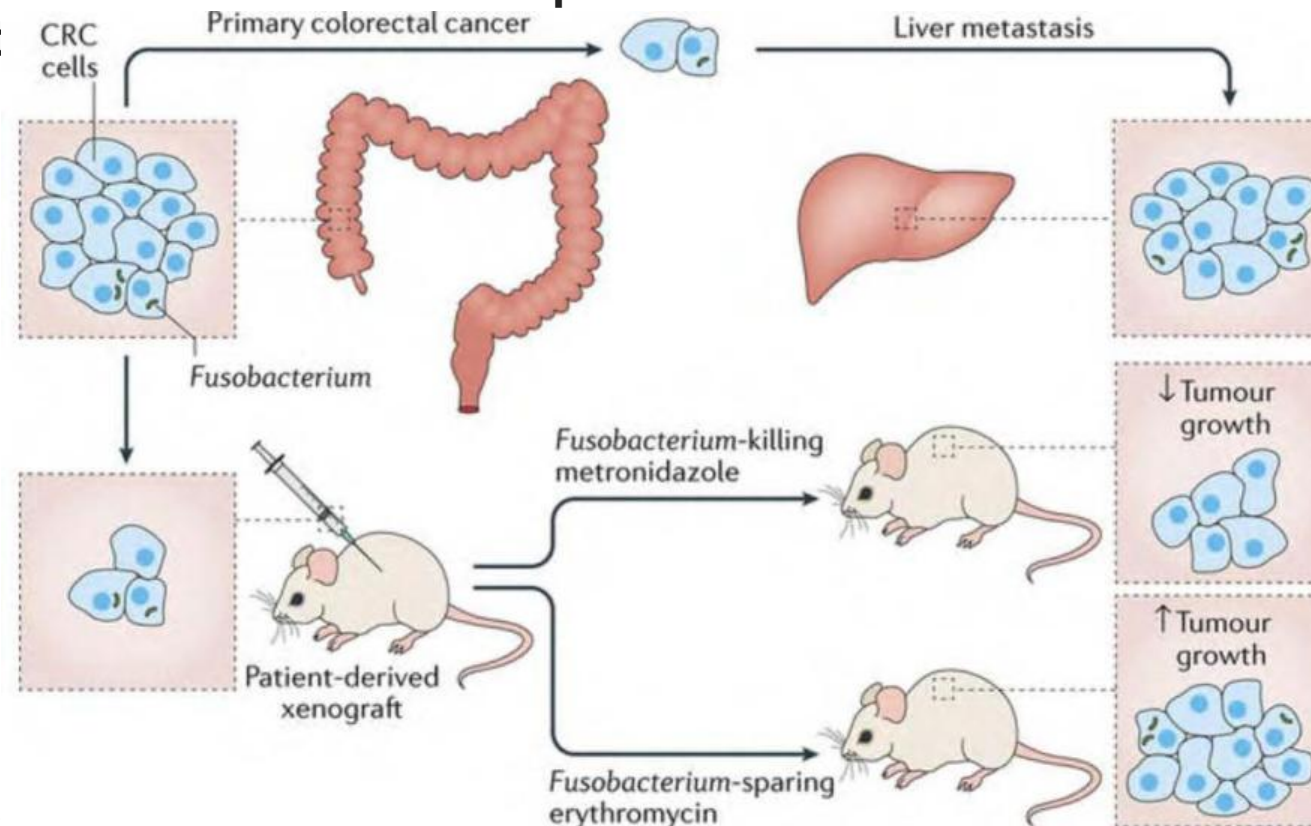
**Dzutsev A, Badger JH, Perez-Chanona E,
Roy S, Salcedo R, Smith CK, Trinchieri G.**

Microbes and Cancer

Annual Rev Immunol. 2017

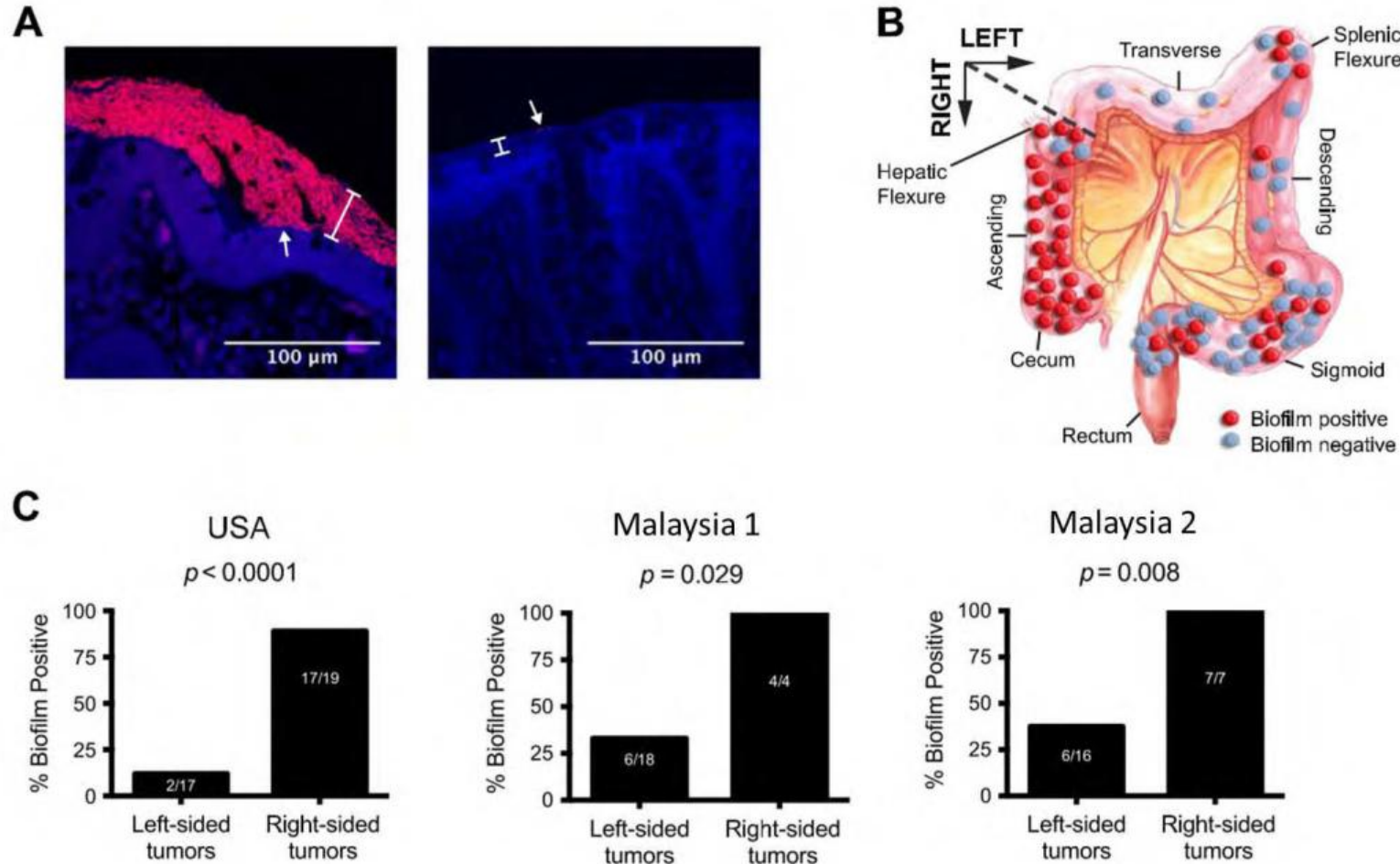
Fusobacterium nucleatum is present at higher frequency in the colon of CRC patients and particularly in the tumor area where it may form microfilms.

- activation of E-cadherin– β -catenin signalling via the adhesion protein FadA
- establishment of a pro-tumorigenic inflammatory microenvironment
- inhibition of antitumour immunity via the Fap2–TIGIT (T-cell immunoreceptor with Ig and ITIM domains)
- upregulation of microRNA-21 to enhance cancer cell proliferation and invasion
- stimulation of cancer cell autophagy



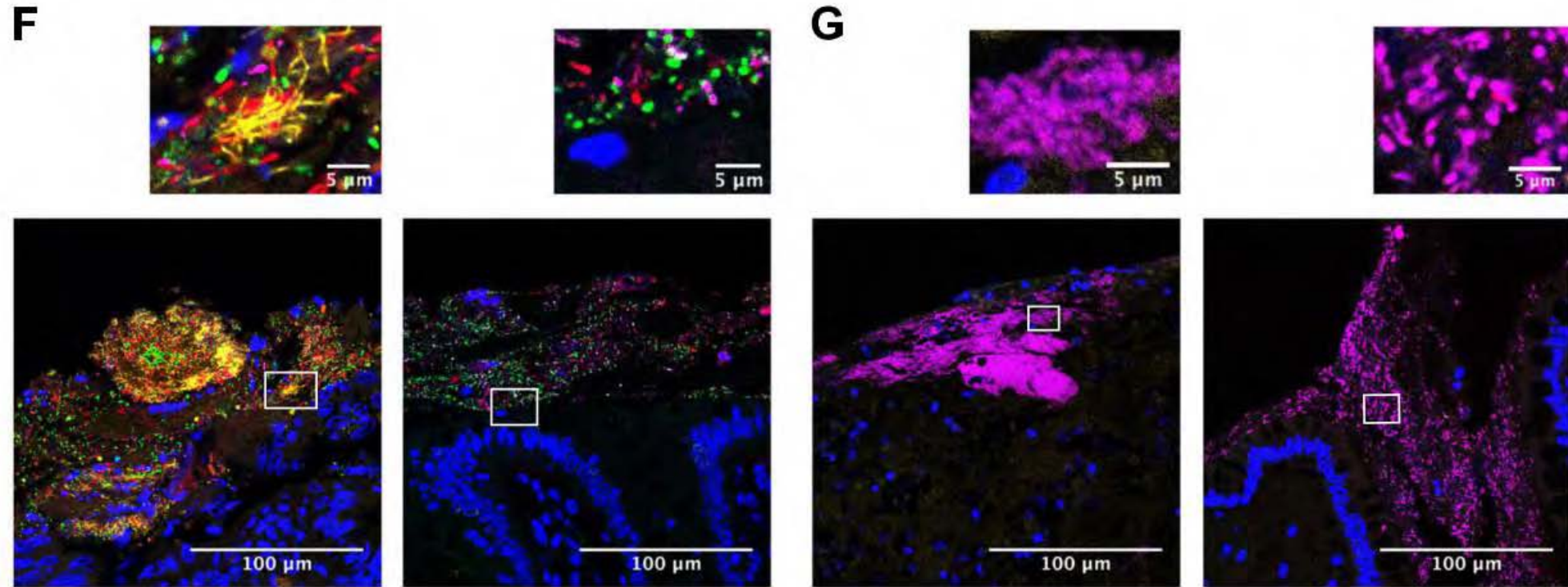
Bullman, S. *et al.* Analysis of *Fusobacterium* persistence and antibiotic response in colorectal cancer. *Science* 351:1443–1448 (2017)

Colorectal carcinoma are enriched for biofilms harboring symbionts with capacity for tumorigenesis



Drewes JL, White JR, Dejea CM, Fathi P, Iyadorai T, Vadivelu J, Roslani AC, Wick EC, Mongodin EF, Loke MF, Thulasi K, Gan HM, Goh KL, Chong HY, Kumar S, Wanyiri JW, Sears CL. 2017. High-resolution bacterial 16S rRNA gene profile meta-analysis and biofilm status reveal common colorectal cancer consortia. *NPJ Biofilms Microbiomes* 3: 34

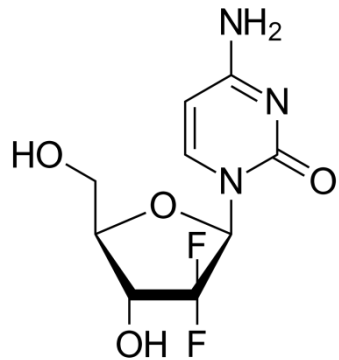
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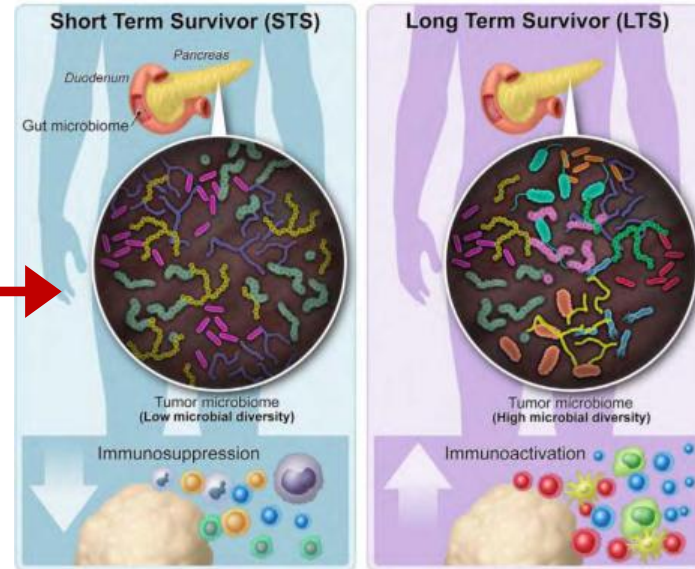
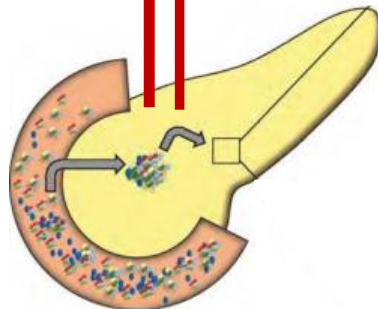
Biofilm-positive samples were stained with DAPI (blue) and probes against four bacterial membership groups: **Fusobacterium (yellow)**, **Bacteroidetes (green)**, **Lachnospiraceae (red)**, and **Proteobacteria (magenta)**.

Intratumoral bacteria: Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma (PDA)

Intratumor bacteria, primarily Gammaproteobacteria, inactivate the chemotherapeutic drug gemcitabine by expressing the enzyme cytidine deaminase.



Geller, L. T., ... R. Straussman. 2017. Potential role of intratumor bacteria in mediating tumor resistance to the chemotherapeutic drug gemcitabine. *Science* 357: 1156-1160.



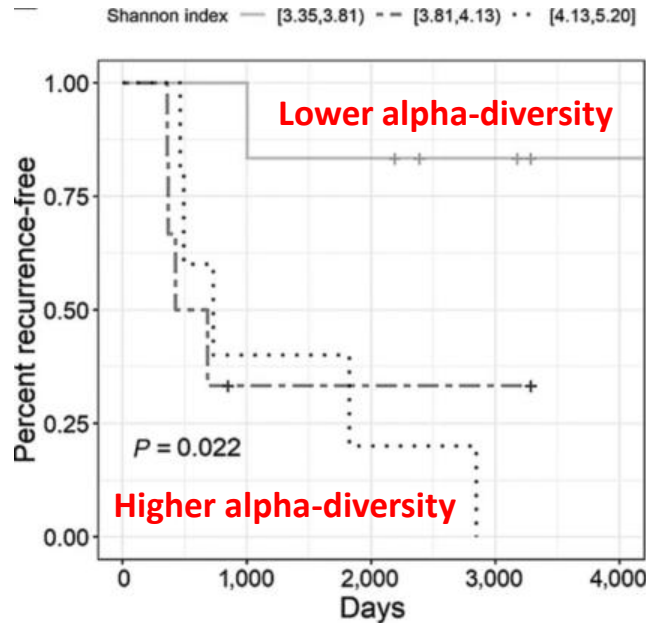
- PDAC long-term survivors display high tumor microbial diversity and immunoactivation
- A PDAC tumoral microbiome signature predicts PDAC long-term survival
- The gut microbiome modulates the PDAC tumor microbiome landscape
- Fecal microbial transplants can modulate tumors immunosuppression and growth

Riquelme, ... F. McAllister. 2019. Tumor Microbiome Diversity and Composition Influence Pancreatic Cancer Outcomes. *Cell* 178: 795-806.e712.

Pushalkar, S., M. G. Miller. 2018. The Pancreatic Cancer Microbiome Promotes Oncogenesis by Induction of Innate and Adaptive Immune Suppression. *Cancer discovery* 8: 403-416.

- Intratumor microbiome drives suppressive monocytic cellular differentiation in pancreatic cancer via selective Toll-like receptor ligation leading to T-cell anergy
- Targeting the microbiome protects against oncogenesis, reverses intratumoral immune tolerance, and enables efficacy for checkpoint-based immunotherapy

Intratumoral bacteria: Lung Microbiota and Cancer



- Higher microbiome α -diversity in normal lung tissue (but not tumor tissue) of NSCLC patients was associated with reduced disease-free survival
- The presence of Koribacteraceae was associated with increased survival, whereas greater abundance of families Bacteroidaceae, Lachnospiraceae, and Ruminococcaceae were associated with reduced survival

Peters, B. A., ... J. Ahn. 2019.

The Microbiome in Lung Cancer Tissue and Recurrence-Free Survival.

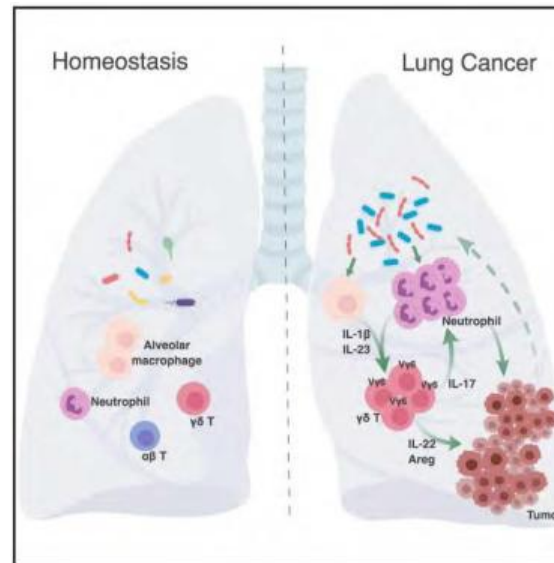
Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev 28: 731-740.

- This study of 142 lung cancer patients and 33 healthy control showed both microbiome-gene and microbiome-exposure interactions in lung cancer tissue.
- Specifically, squamous cell carcinoma harboring TP53 mutations, which can impair epithelial function, have a unique bacterial consortium that in smoking-associated tumors shows higher relative abundance of certain species such as *Acidovorax*.

Greathouse, K. L., ...C. C. Harris. 2018.

Interaction between the microbiome and TP53 in human lung cancer.

Genome biology 19: 123.

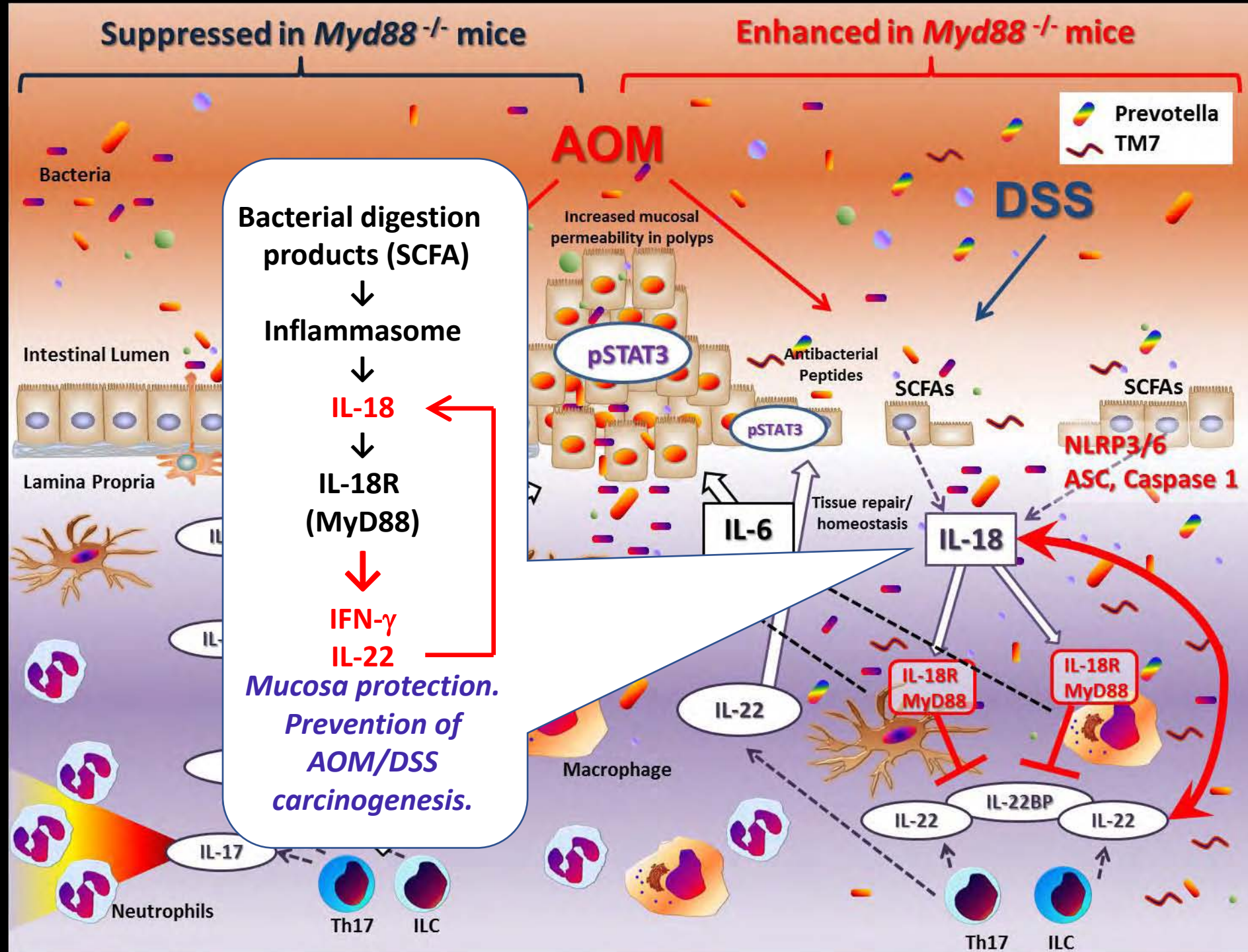


- Depletion of commensal microbiota suppresses lung adenocarcinoma development induced in mice by Kras mutation and p53 loss
- Lung cancer development is associated with local dysbiosis and inflammation
- Microbiota drive proliferation and activation of V γ 6+V δ 1+ T cells in lung cancer
- $\gamma\delta$ T cells promote neutrophil infiltration and tumor cell proliferation

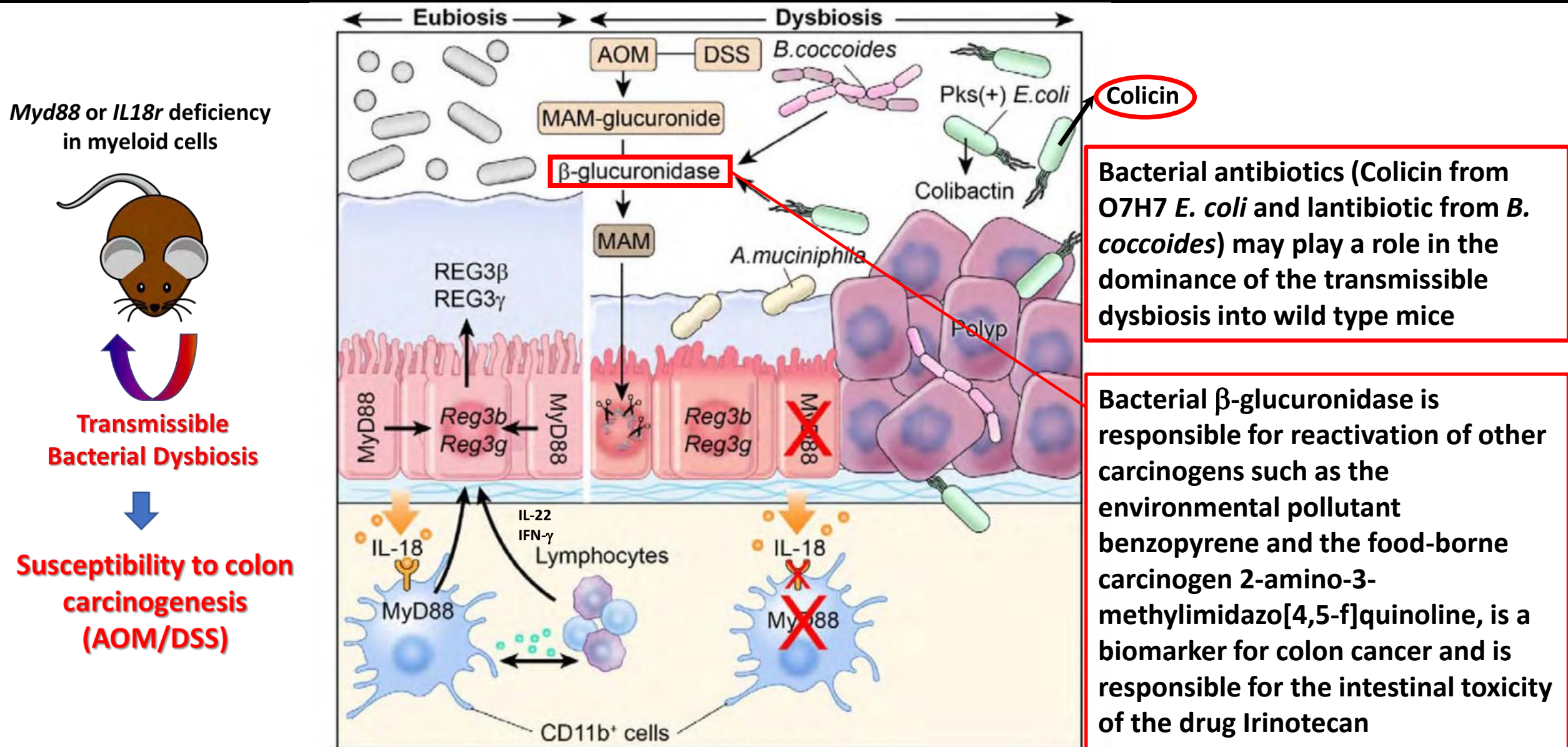
Jin, C., ...T. Jacks. 2019.

Commensal Microbiota Promote Lung Cancer Development via gammadelta T Cells. Cell 176: 998-1013.e1016.

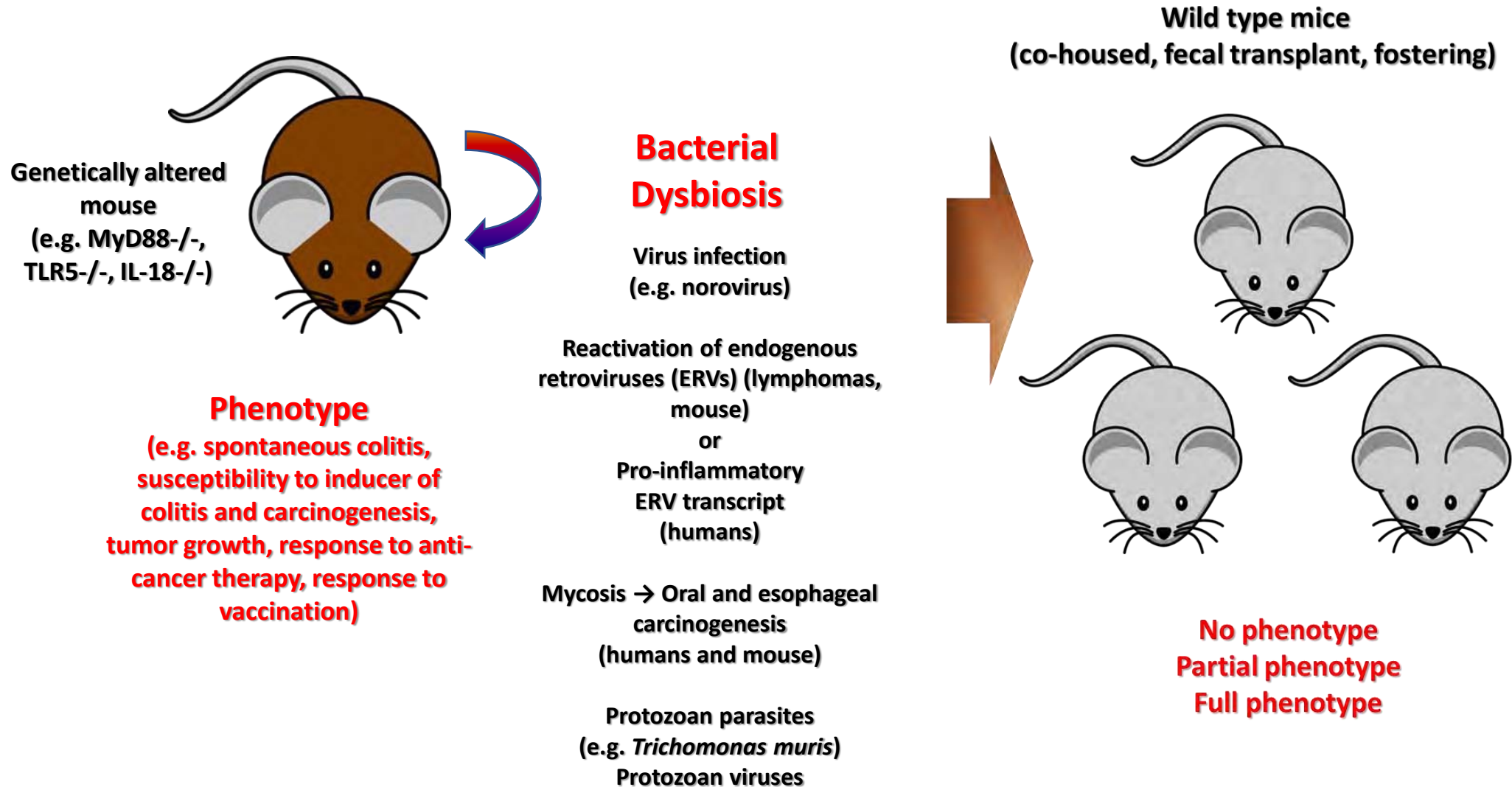
Microbiota-host interaction in colon carcinogenesis



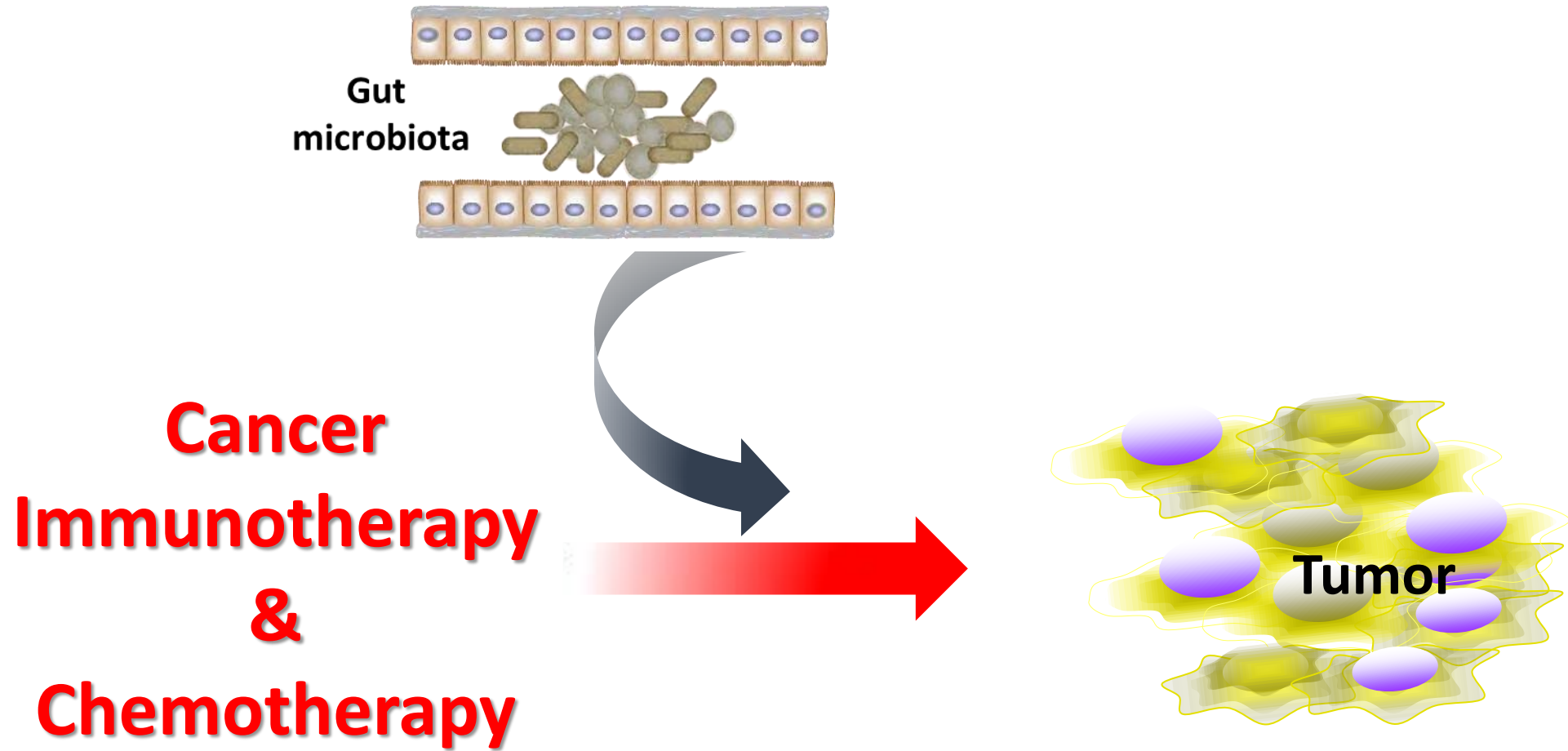
Lack of IL-18R signaling in CD11b⁺ myeloid cells induces a transmissible dysbiosis that affects both tumor initiation and promotion



Host genetics may affect the mouse phenotype by modifying the composition of the microbiota



Is the response to cancer therapy regulated by the commensal bacteria?



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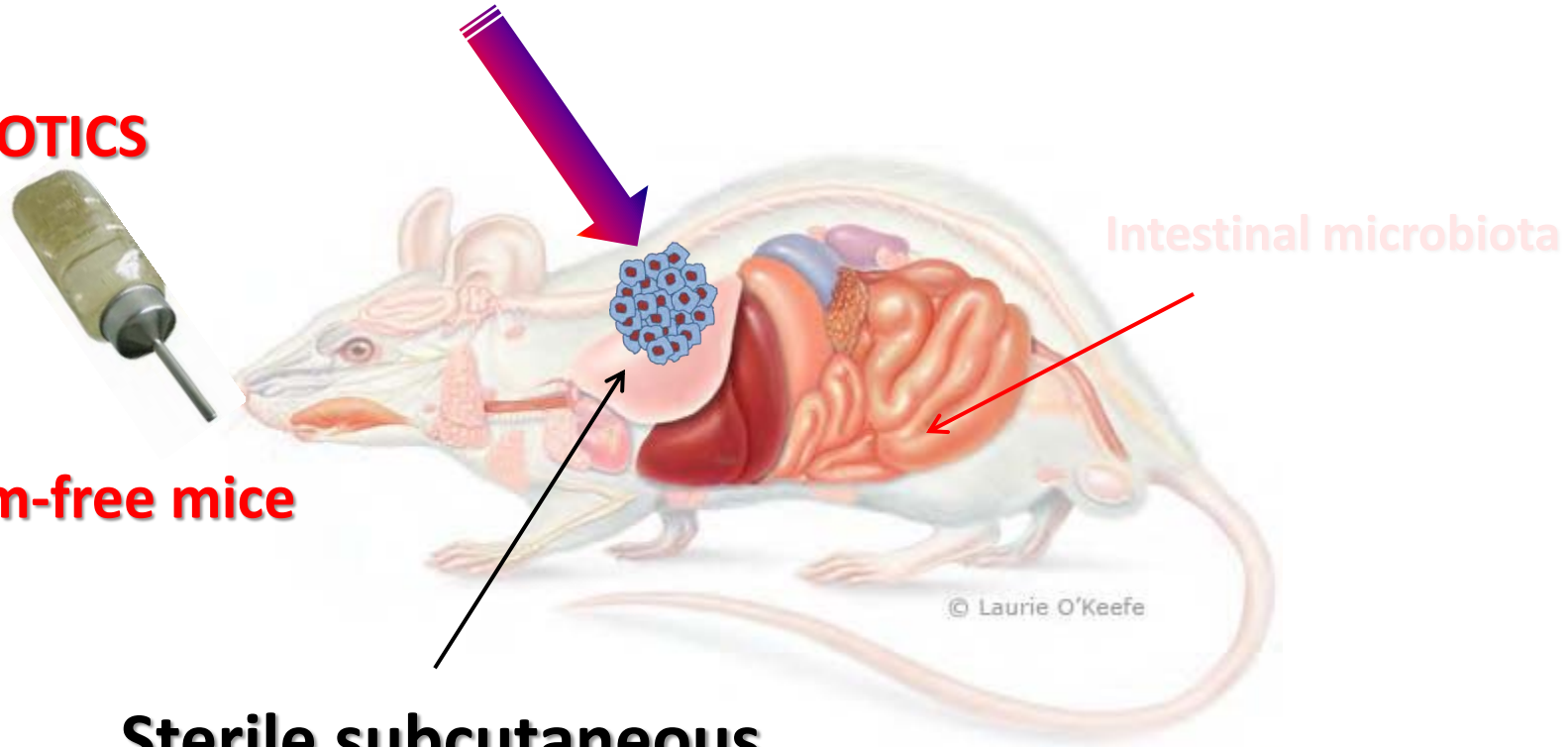
Systemic anti-IL-10R + Intratumor CpG-OGN immunotherapy
Platinum compound (oxaliplatin, cisplatin) chemotherapy

ANTIBIOTICS

Neomycin
Vancomycin
Imipenem

or Germ-free mice

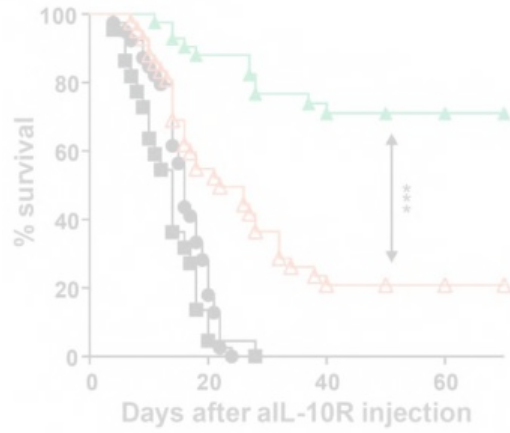
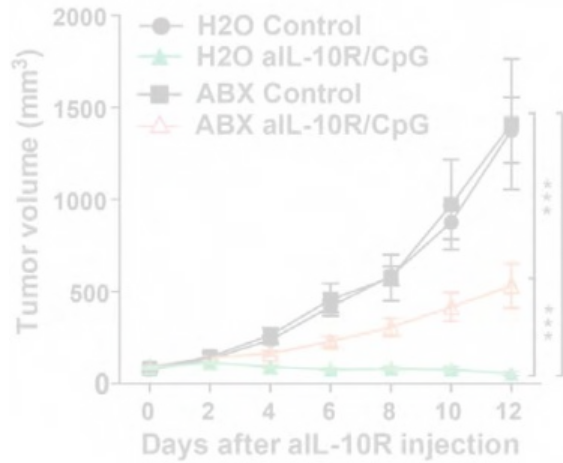
**Sterile subcutaneous
transplanted
tumor**



Noriho Iida, Amiran Dzutsev, C. Andrew Stewart, Giorgio Trinchieri, Romina S. Goldszmid
Commensal bacteria control cancer response to therapy by modulating the tumor microenvironment
Science, 2013; 342:967-70

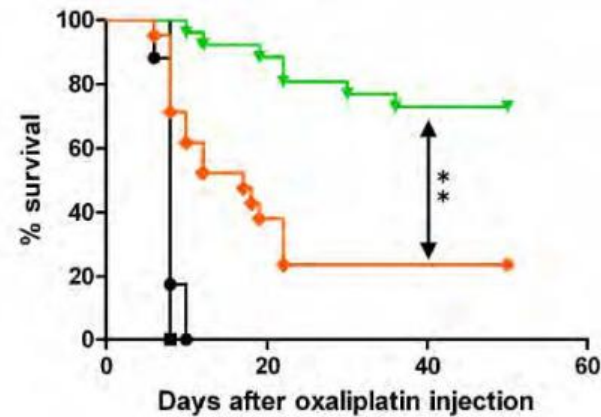
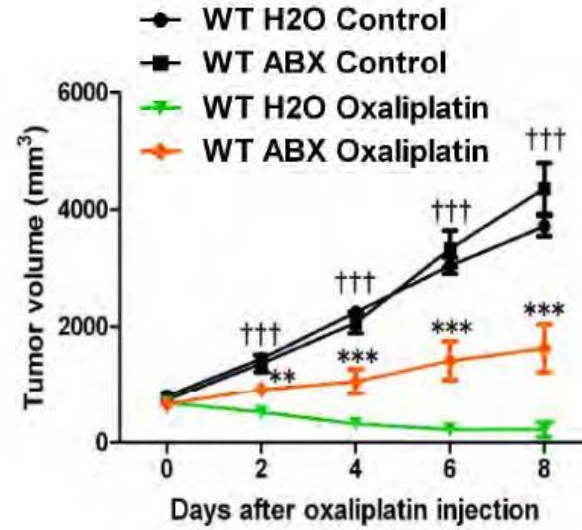
Antibiotics (ABX) suppress the anti-tumor effect of immune and chemo therapy

Anti-IL-10R/CpG



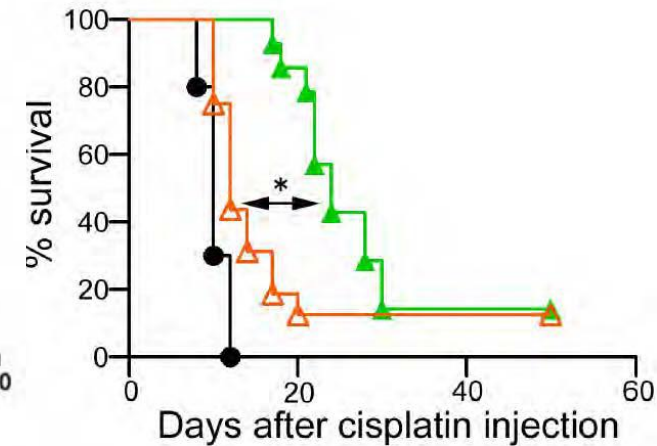
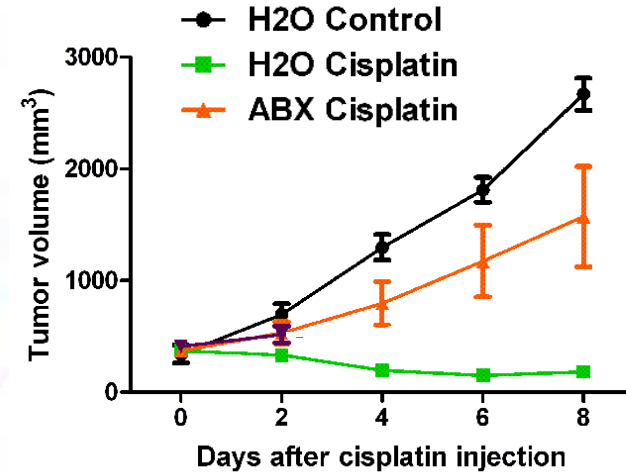
MC38 subcutaneous tumor

Oxaliplatin



EL4 subcutaneous tumor

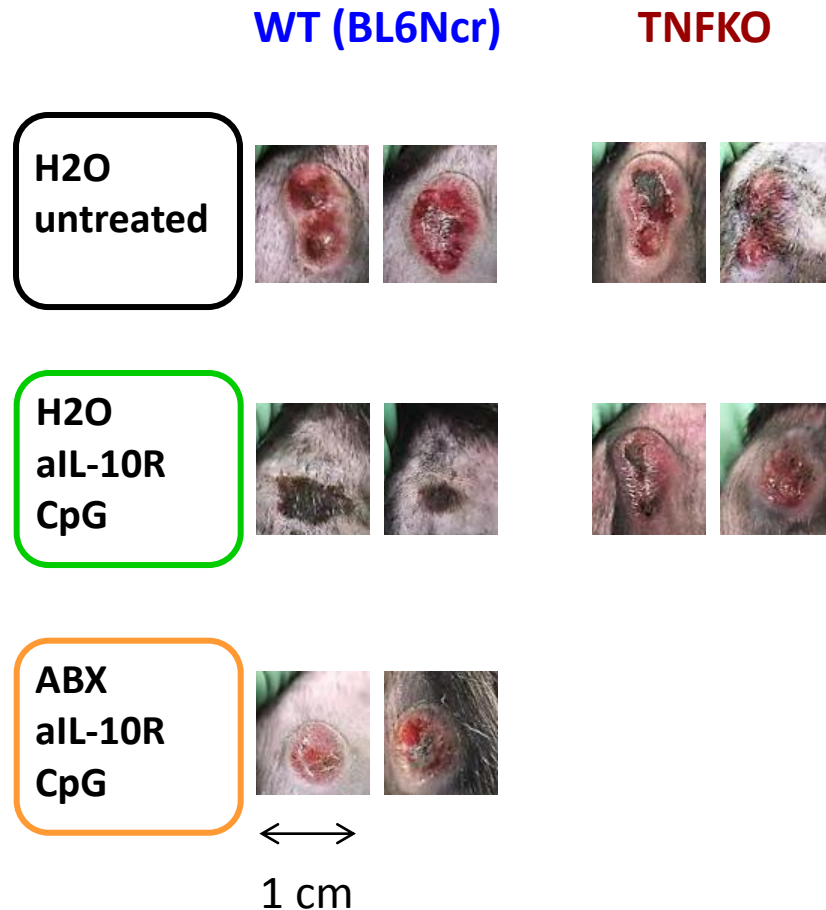
Cisplatin



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Antibiotics (ABX) suppress TNF-mediated early necrosis of the tumor and decrease inflammatory cytokine production following anti-IL-10R/CpG

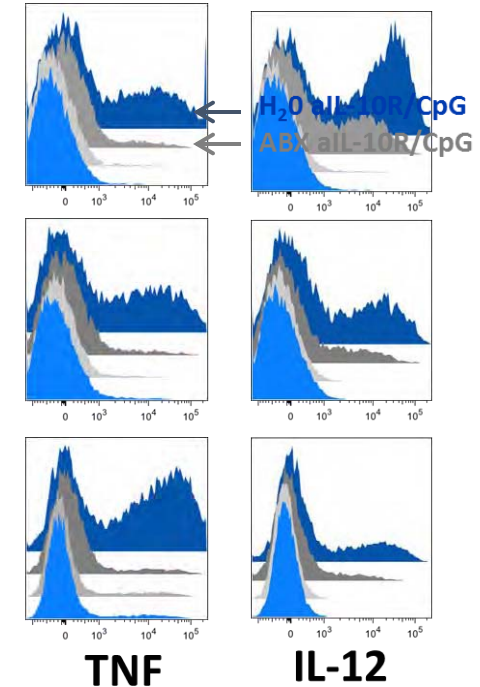
ABX decrease TNF and IL-12 production by tumor-infiltrating myeloid cells following aIL-10R/CpG



Mono-derived DCs
CD11c^{hi} MHCII^{hi}

Mono-derived Mφs
MHCII⁺ F4/80⁺

Monocytes
Ly6C^{hi} MHCII⁺

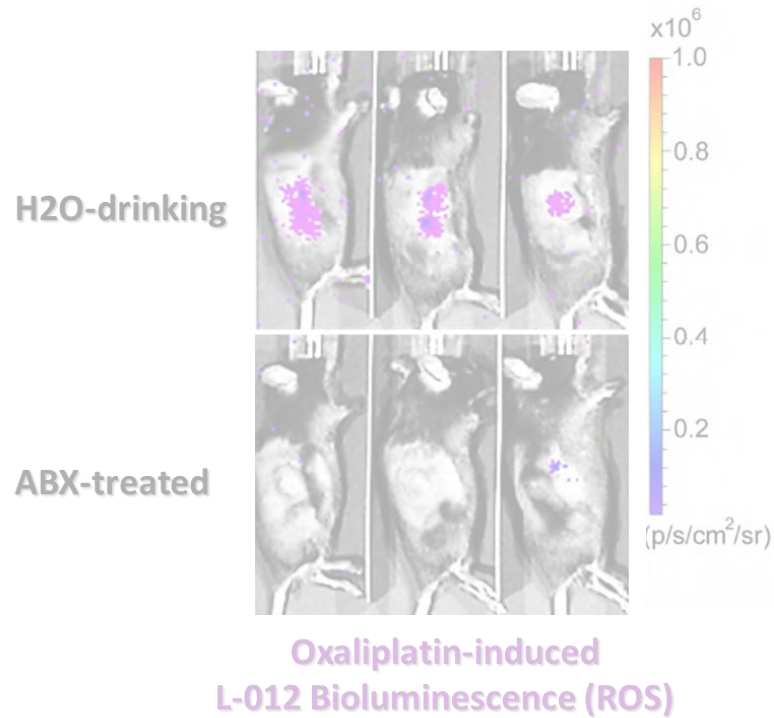


■ H₂O aIL-10R/CpG
■ ABX aIL-10R/CpG
■ ABX untreated
■ H₂O untreated

MC38 tumor, 72 h after CpG treatment

ABX impair oxaliplatin therapy by preventing production of ROS from NOX2 + myeloid cells that is required for DNA damage after formation of platinum DNA adducts

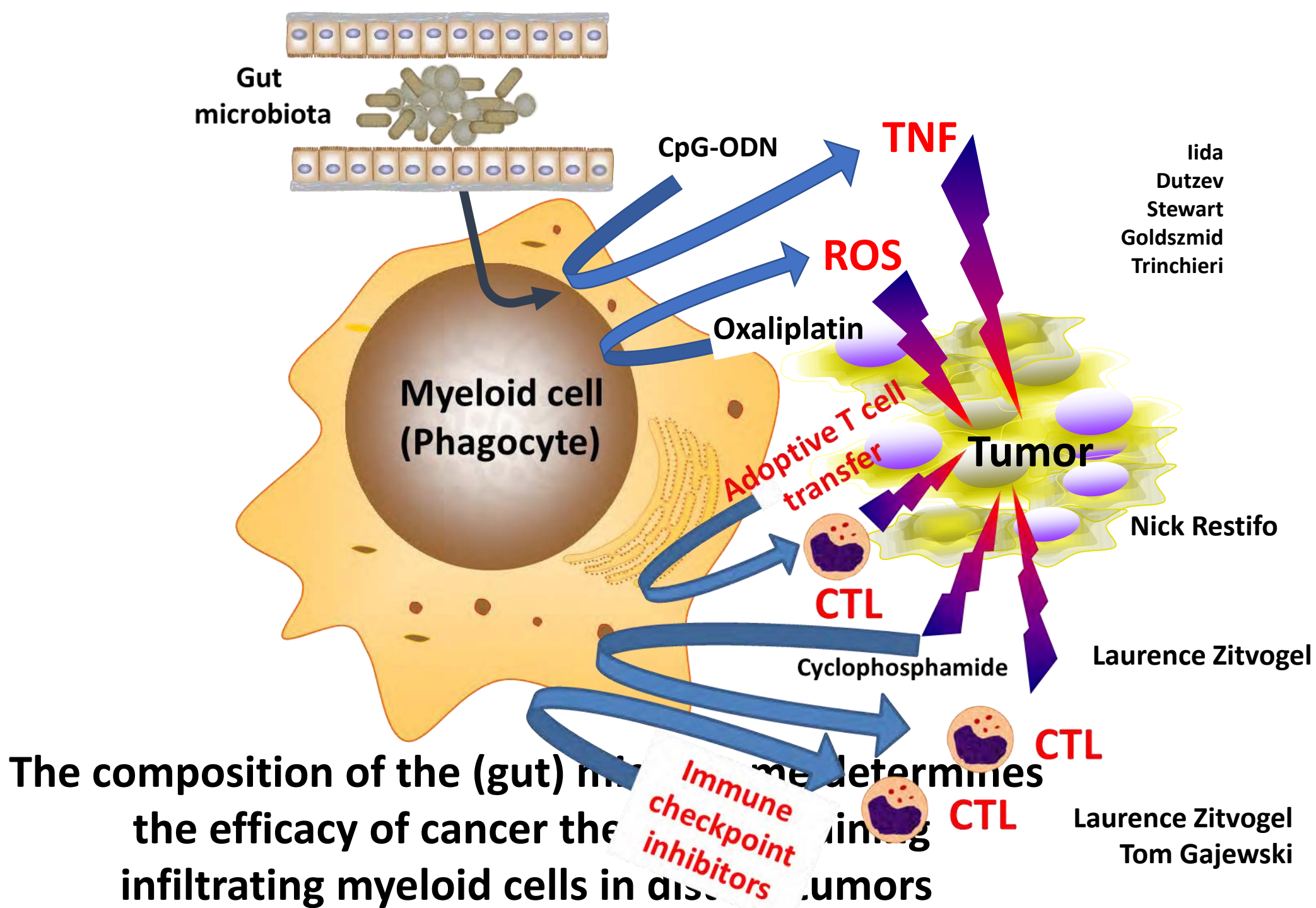
Oxaliplatin induces ROS production in tumors of control but not ABX-treated mice



Platinum compounds

DNA DAMAGE

- EL4 tumors-bearing B6 mice were treated with 10mg/kg oxaliplatin
- ROS-induced bioluminescence using the L-012 probe was analyzed 24 hours after oxaliplatin injection



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Gut microbiome modulates response to anti-PD-1 immunotherapy in melanoma patients

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Ruminococcaceae
Clostridiales
Faecalibacterium prausnitzii

Anti-PD1 treated melanoma patients

Hassane Zarour, Diwakar Davar and John Kirkwood
Melanoma and Skin Cancer program, U. Pittsburgh

p=0.007 *Bacteroides_nordii* |L2FC= -2.7
p=0.012 *Prevotella_ihumii* |L2FC= -2.6
p=0.026 *Alistipes_senegalensis* |L2FC= -2.1
p=0.021 *Collinsella_intestinalis* |L2FC= -3.5
p=0.033 *Alistipes_Unclassified* |L2FC= -2.6
p=0.039 *Johnsonella_ignava* |L2FC= -2.7
p=0.049 *c__Gammaproteobacteria* |L2FC= -2.2

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*Alistipes
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Gut microbiome influences efficacy of PD-1-based immunotherapy against epithelial tumors

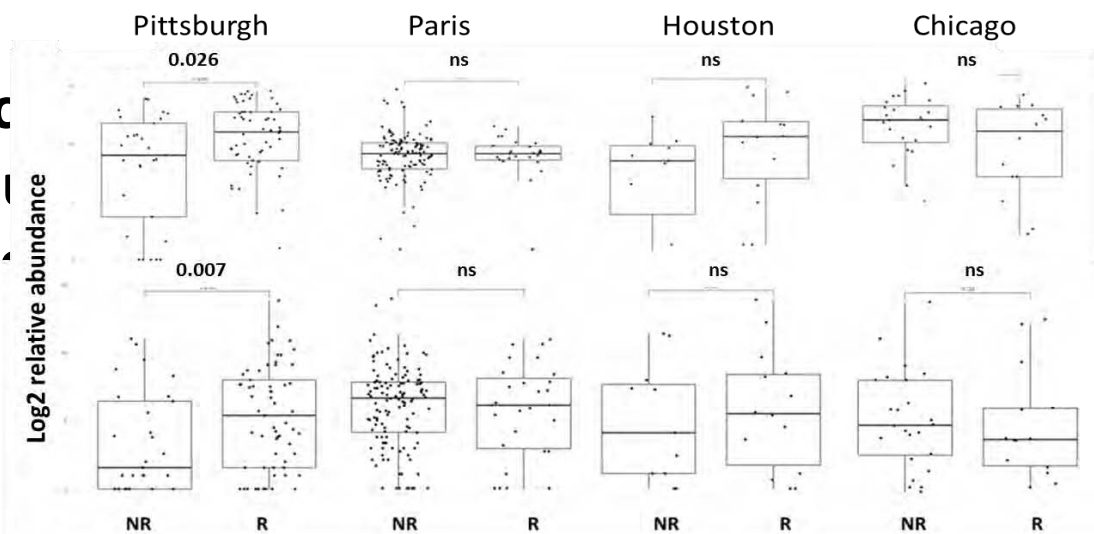
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Akkermansia muciniphila
Alistipes spp

The commensal microbiome is associated with anti-PD-1 efficacy in metastatic melanoma patients

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Environment dominates over host genetics in shaping human gut microbiota

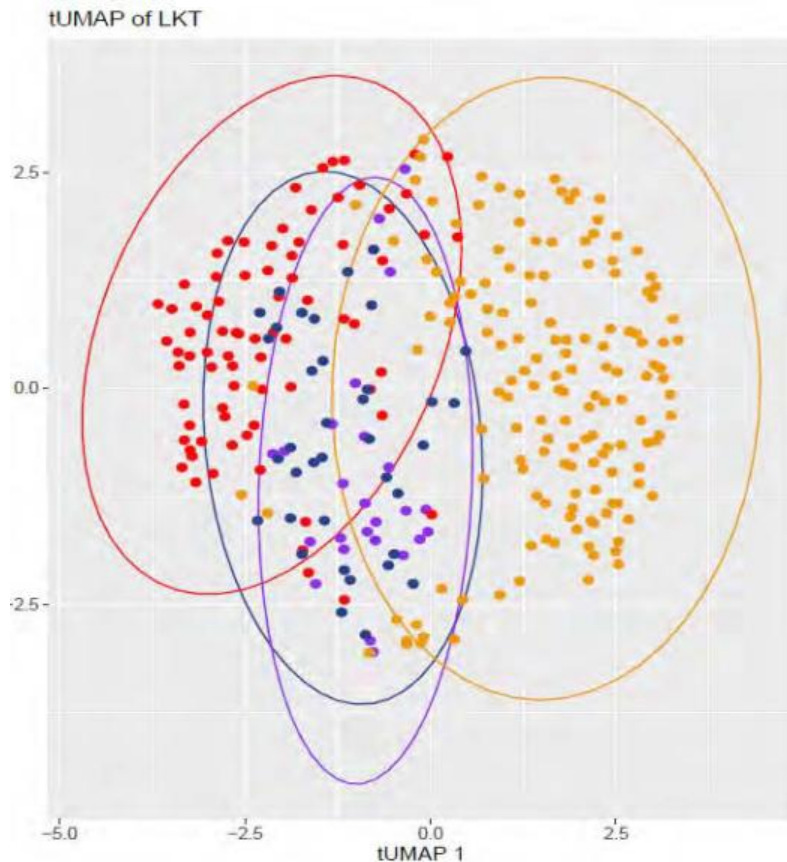
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Microbiota taxonomic identification in cancer patients may be affected by geography, disease and sequencing technology

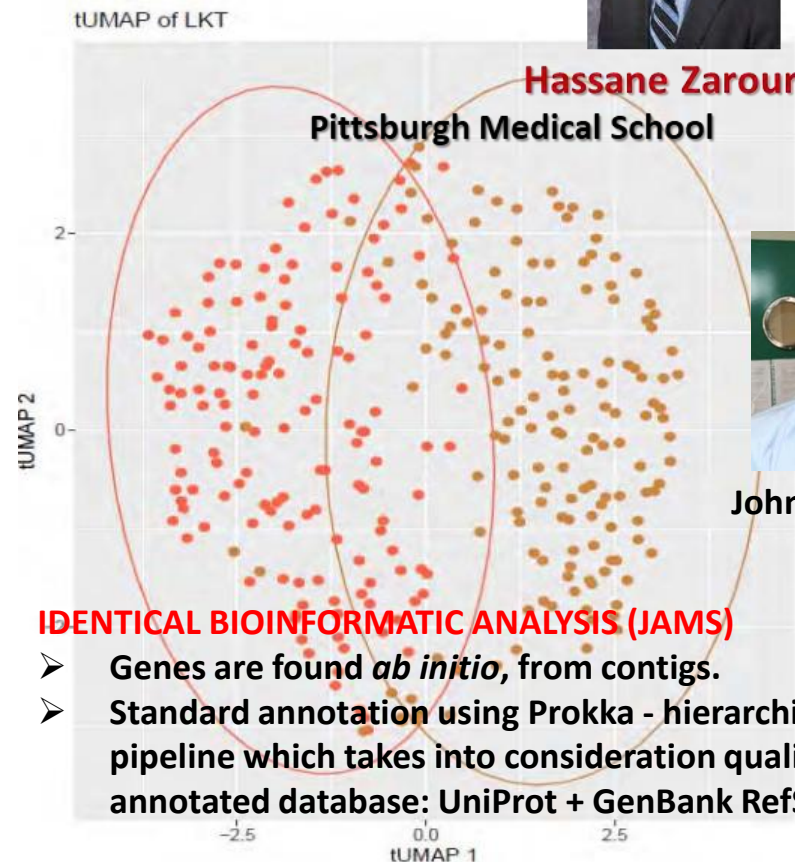
Study

- Chicago (Gajewski)
- Pittsburgh (Zarour)
- Houston (Wargo)
- Paris (Zitvogel)



Tumor type

- Melanoma
- Not_Melanoma



Sequencing method



Hassane Zarour
Pittsburgh Medical School



Diwakar Davar



John Kirkwood



John McCulloch

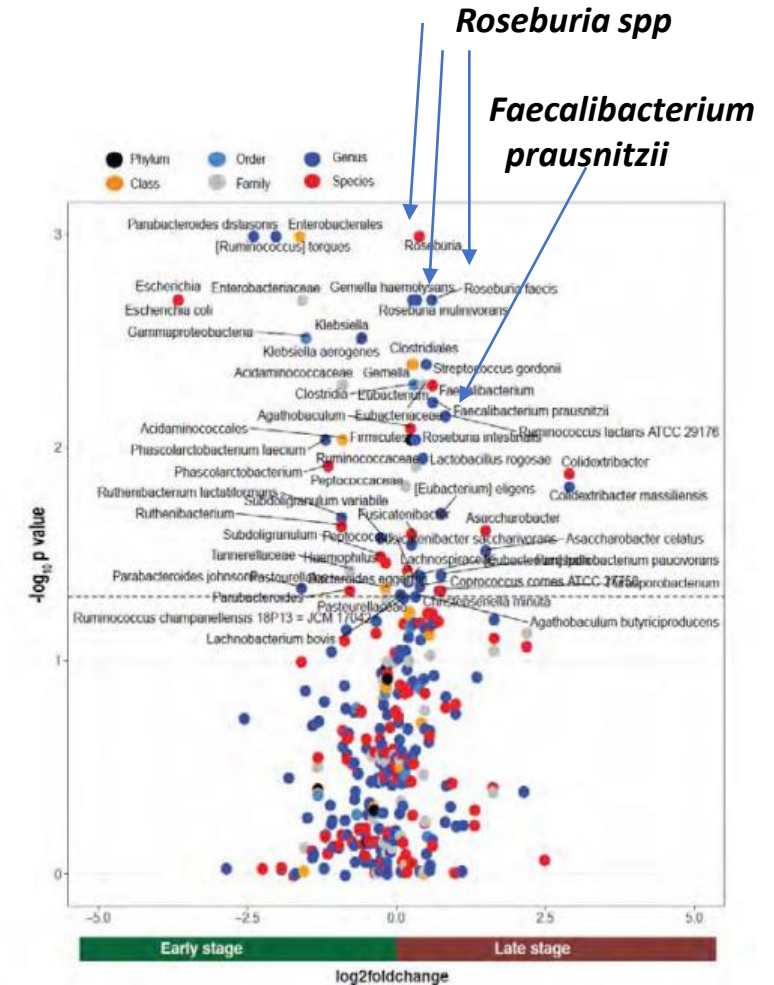
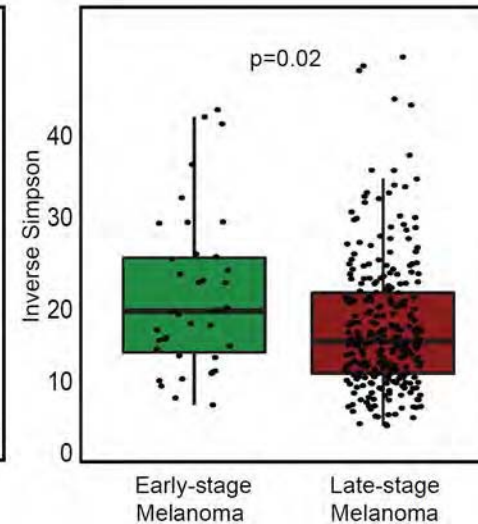
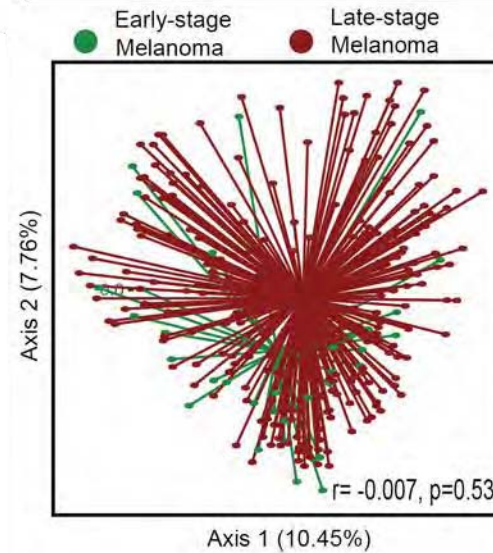
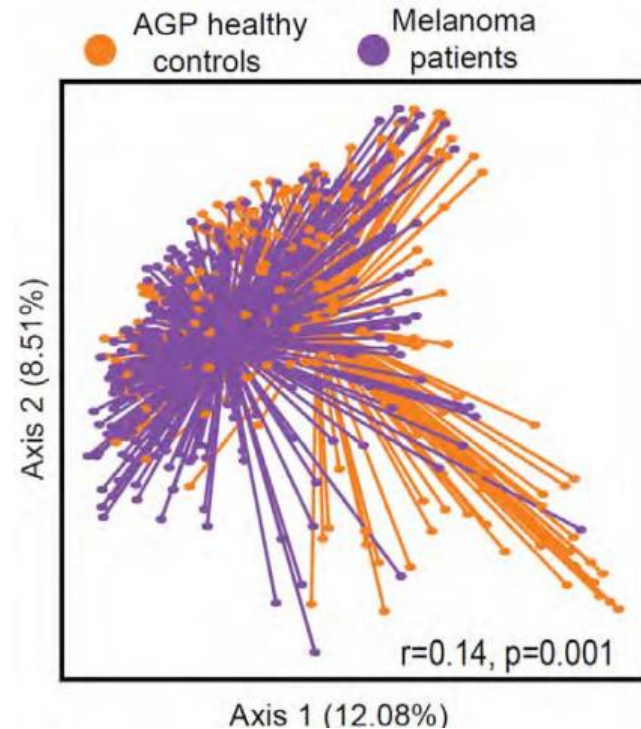


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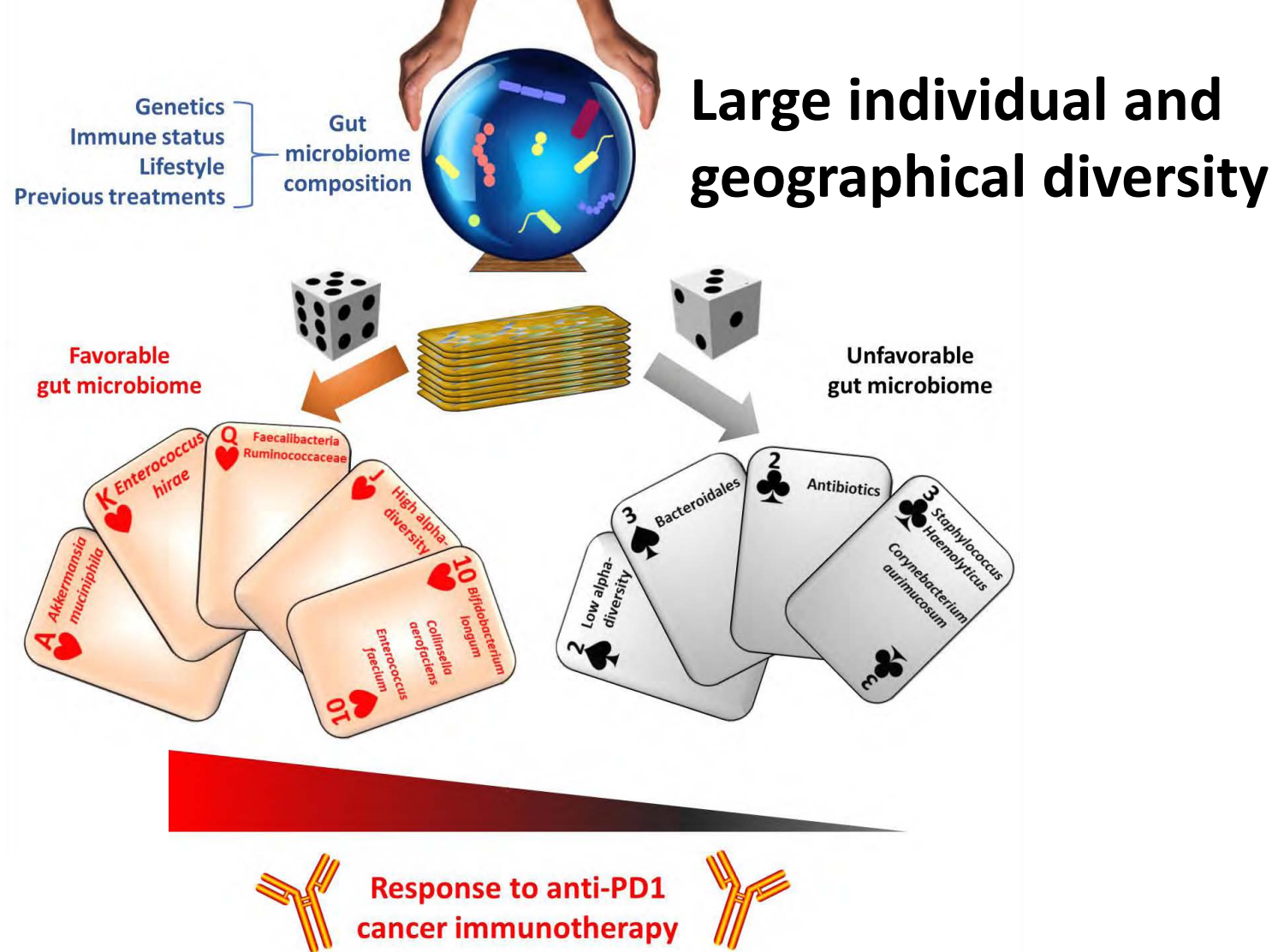
IDENTICAL BIOINFORMATIC ANALYSIS (JAMS)

- Genes are found *ab initio*, from contigs.
- Standard annotation using Prokka - hierarchical pipeline which takes into consideration quality of annotated database: UniProt + GenBank RefSeq

Melanoma patients have different microbiota composition than healthy donors and both alpha and beta diversity change with disease progression



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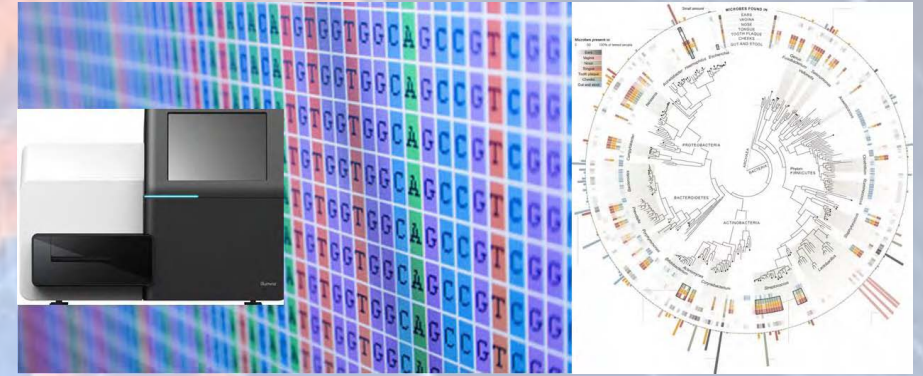
Mouse and, in part, clinical studies have established an important modulating role of the gut microbiome composition on the immune-checkpoint inhibition cancer therapy



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Microbiota analysis

**Antonie van Leeuwenhoek, 1683:
First observation of commensal microbes**

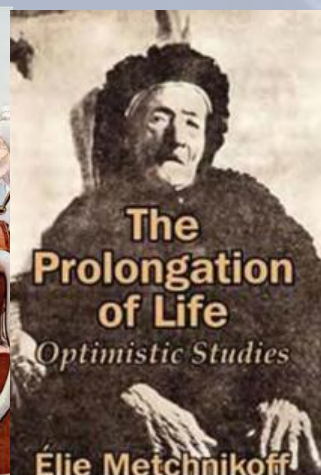
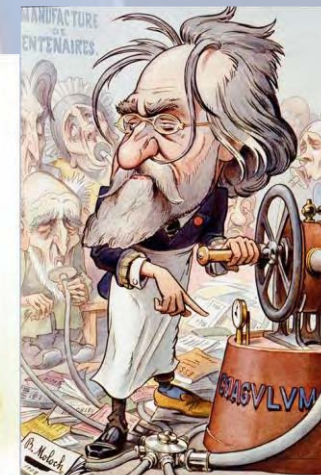
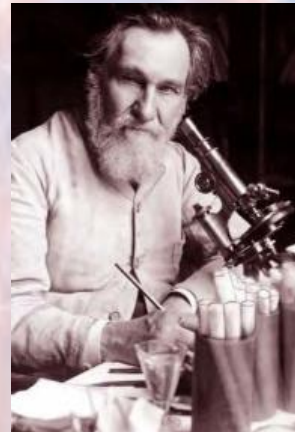


CAN WE TARGET THE MICROBIOME TO IMPROVE THERAPY RESPONSE?

Targeting the microbiota

- Diet
- Antibiotics
- Probiotics
- Prebiotics
- Fecal transplant
- Oral formulation of bacteria or their spores

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FMT

Bacteria consortium in a pill

NCT03817125: Melanoma Checkpoint and Gut Microbiome Alteration With Microbiome

Intervention (MCGRAW). Parker Institute for Cancer Immunology Inc.

Administration (SER-401® consortium of live bacteria (spores without preconditioning with vancomycin) in Combination With Anti-PD-1 Immunotherapy in Melanoma Patients

Bristol-Myers Squibb and Vedanta Biosciences to treat advanced melanoma with anti-PD1 and VE800

VE800 is a lyophilized preparation (pills) of 8 bacterial strains in capsules in experimental animals based on Kenya Honda work

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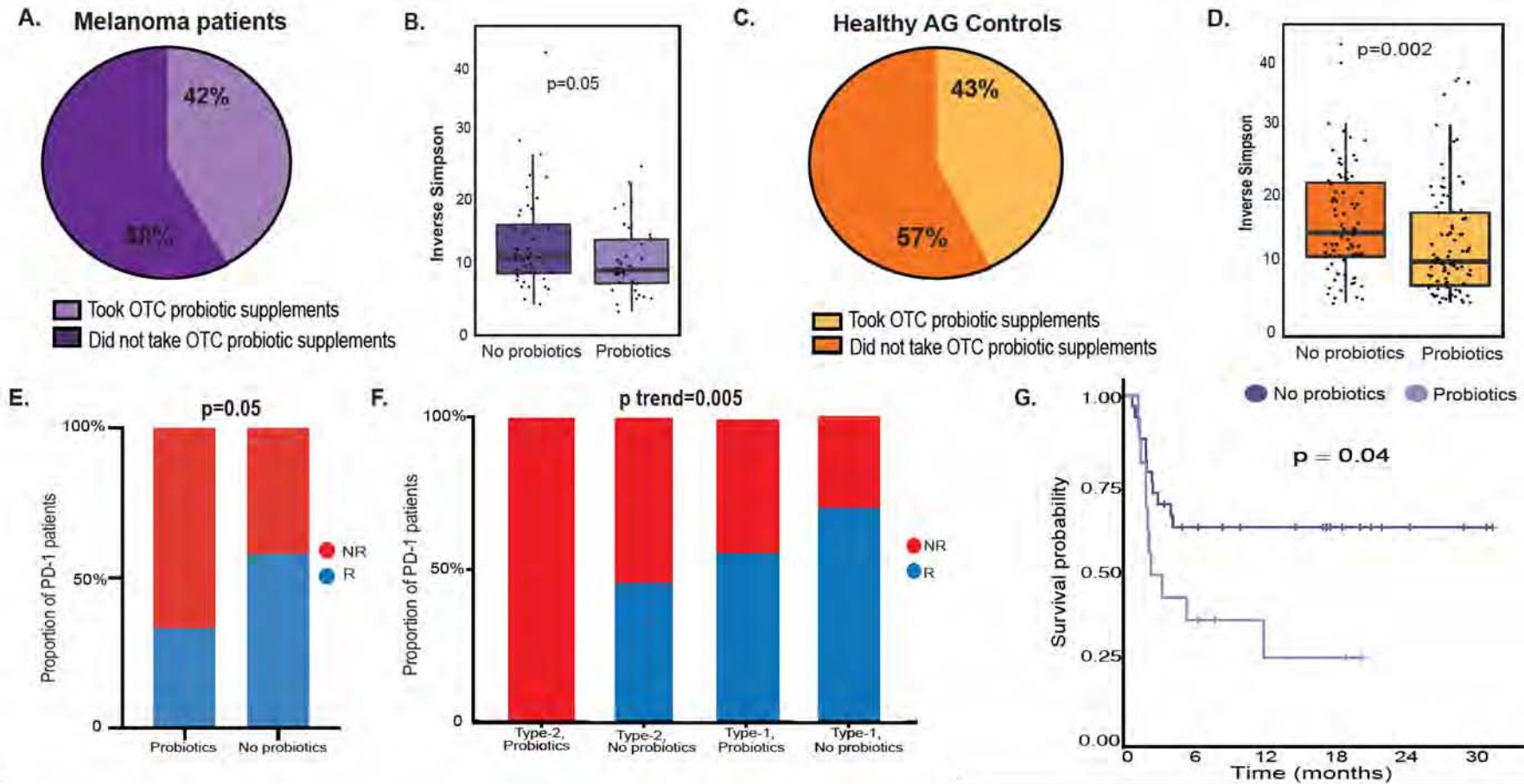
Selected *Bifidobacterium spp* probiotics

NCT03775850 A Study of EDP1503 in Patients With Colorectal Cancer, Breast Cancer, and Checkpoint Inhibitor Relapsed Tumors. Evelo Biosciences, Inc.

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Monoclonal microbial EDP1503 is an orally available preparation derived from a single clone of *Bifidobacterium spp.* with potential immunomodulatory and antineoplastic activities based on Tom Gajewski work

Associations of OTC probiotic use with features of the gut microbiome and response to melanoma therapy



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University of Pittsburgh

12 anti-PD1 refractory patients have been transplanted with the fecal microbiome from responsive patients and treated again with pembrolizumab®:

Enrolled: 12; Evaluable: 8

Best Response: 1 PR, 1 CR, 5 SD, 1 PD

Current Response: 1 PR, 1 CR, 2 SD, 4 PD

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NCT03772899: Fecal Microbial Transplantation in Combination With Immunotherapy in Melanoma Patients (MIMic). Lawson Health Research Institute, London, CA

AACR April 2019 General Meeting

Patient 1: PR (7 months)

Patient 2: PD

Patient 3: PR (2 months), PD

Gal Markel and Ben Boursi

Sheba Medical Center in Ramat Gan, Israel

We are working with the University of Pittsburgh by characterizing the changes in microbiota composition in the transplanted patients by metagenomic analysis and testing the transplanted microbiomes in gnotobiotic mice in conventional conditions or following diet alterations.



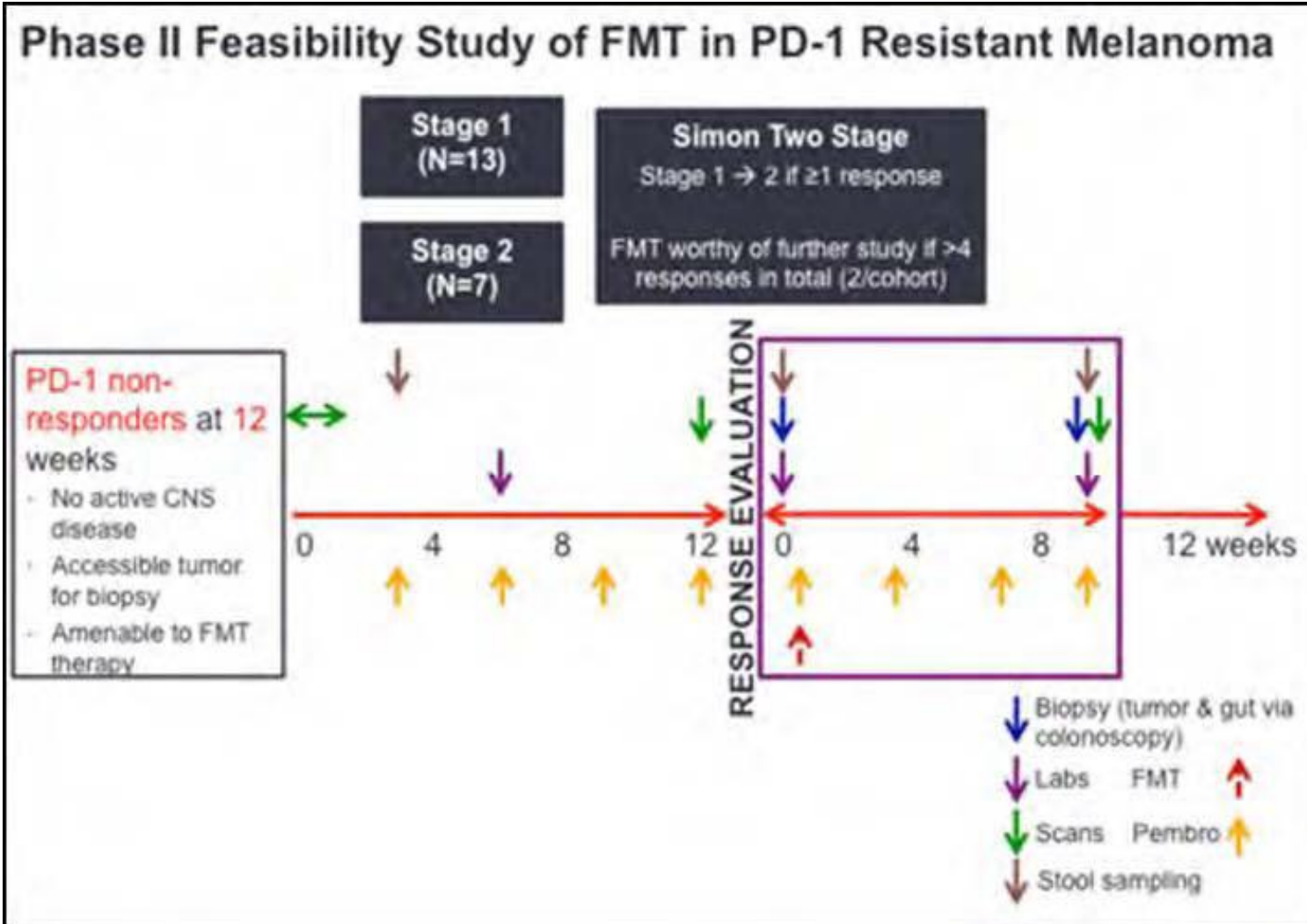
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By Jocelyn Kaiser | Apr. 5, 2019, 1:45 PM

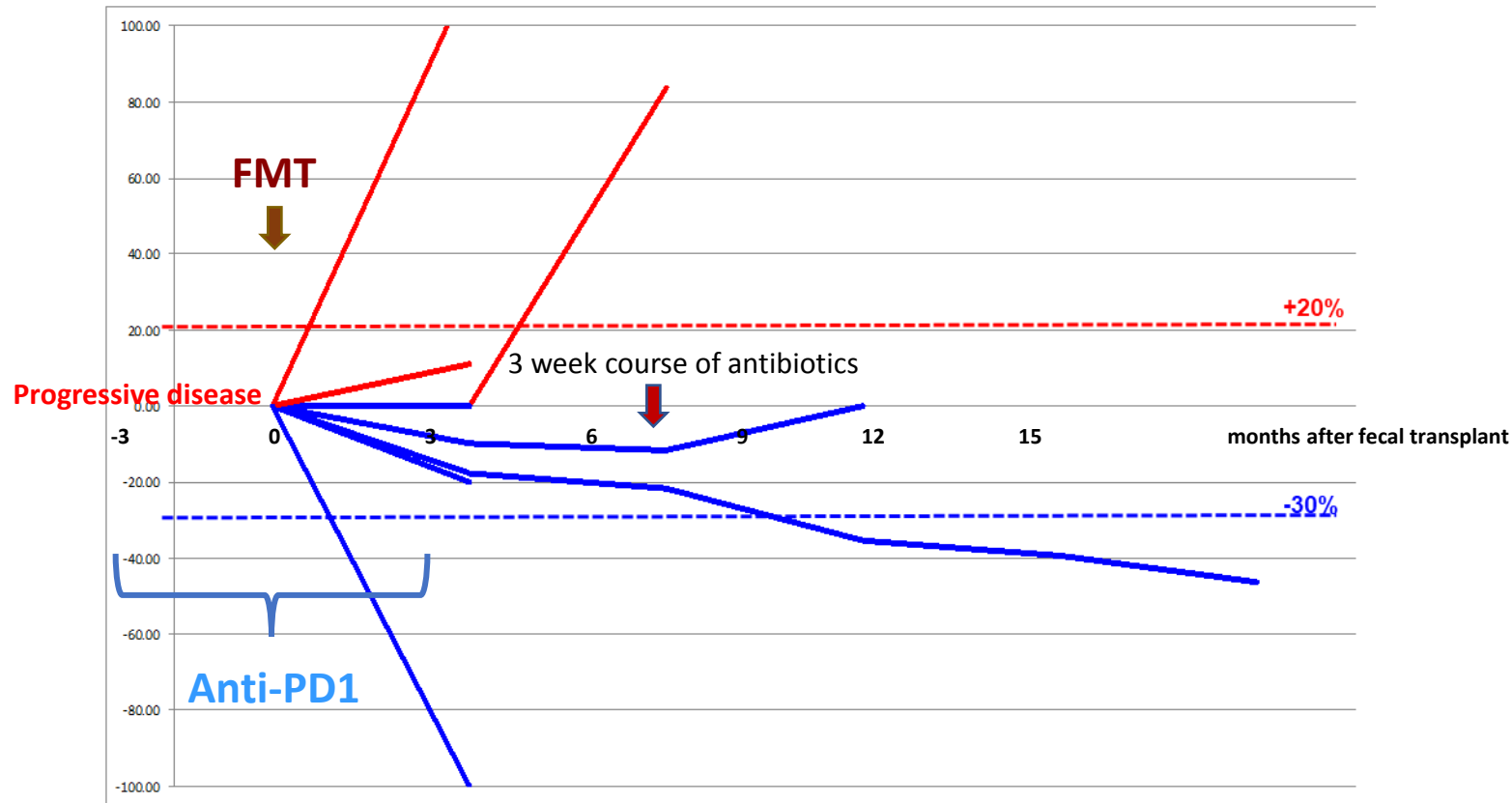
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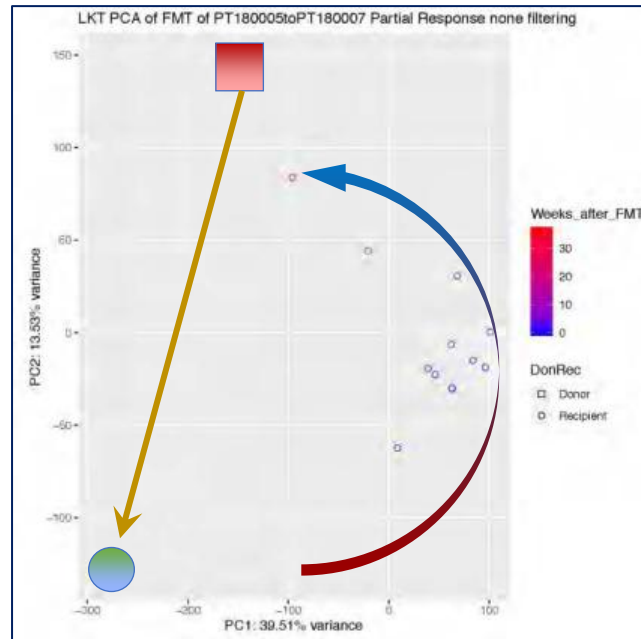
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Metagenomic analysis of microbiome in donors and recipients

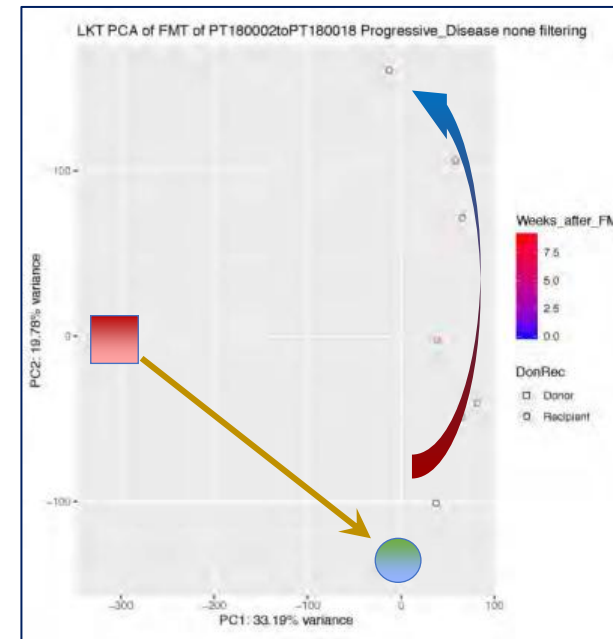
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Response: Partial Response

Donor
Recipient



FMT: PT180002 to PT180018
Response: Progressive Disease

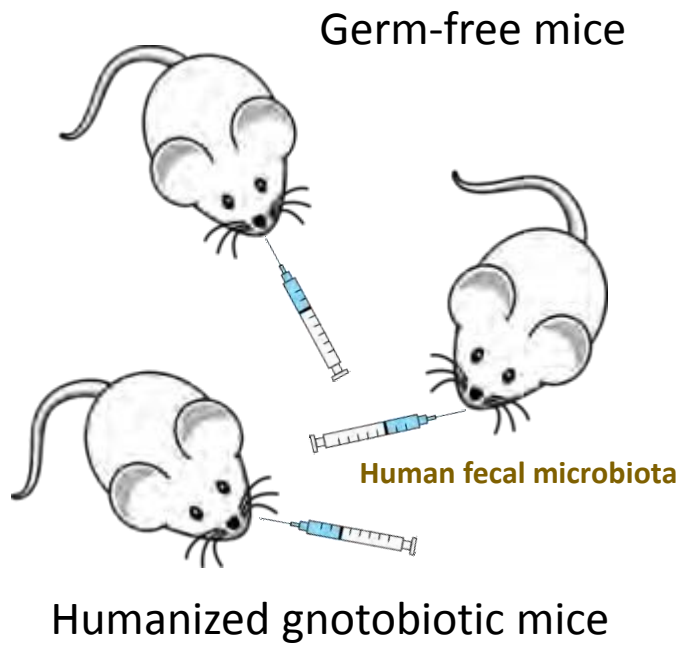
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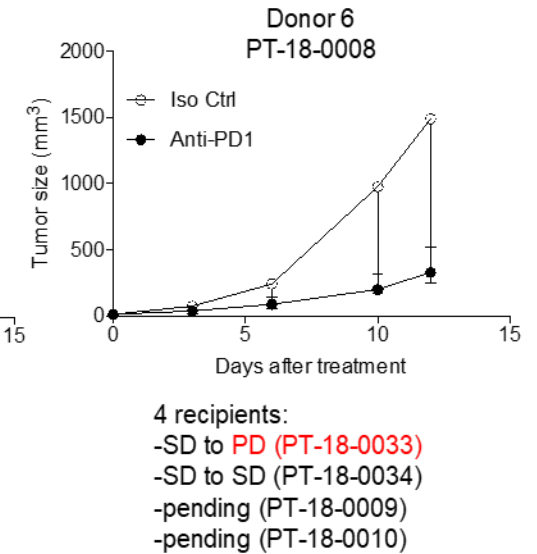
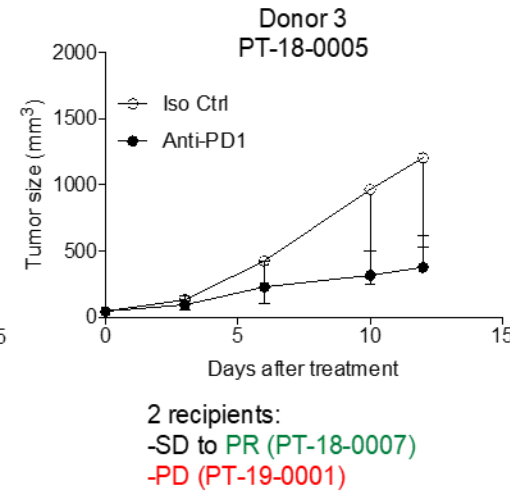
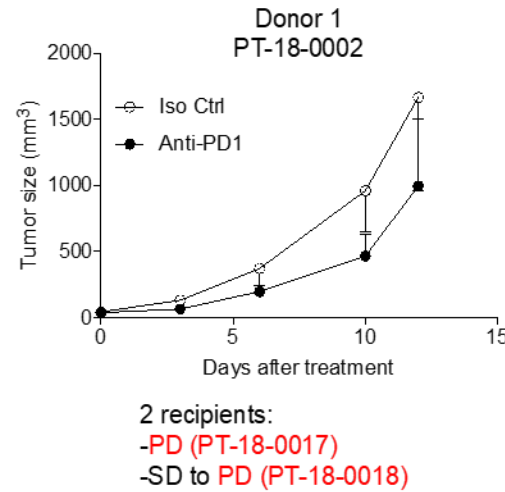
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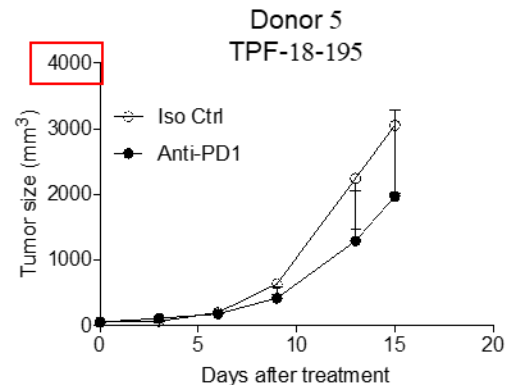
Testing FMT donors in gnotobiotic mice



Responder patients as FMT donors



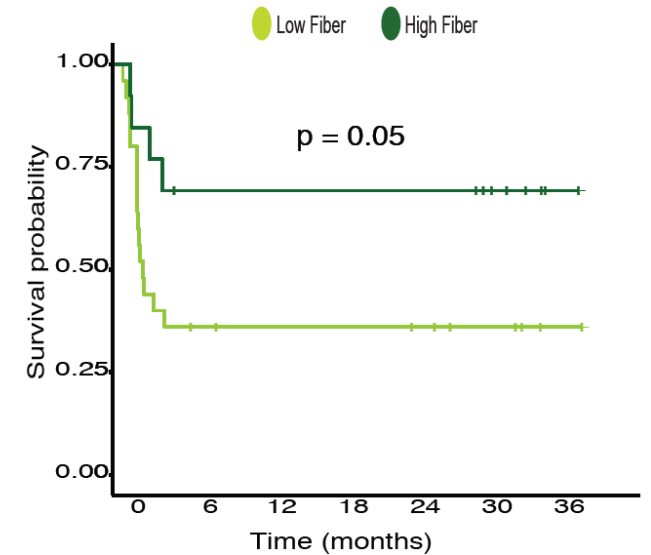
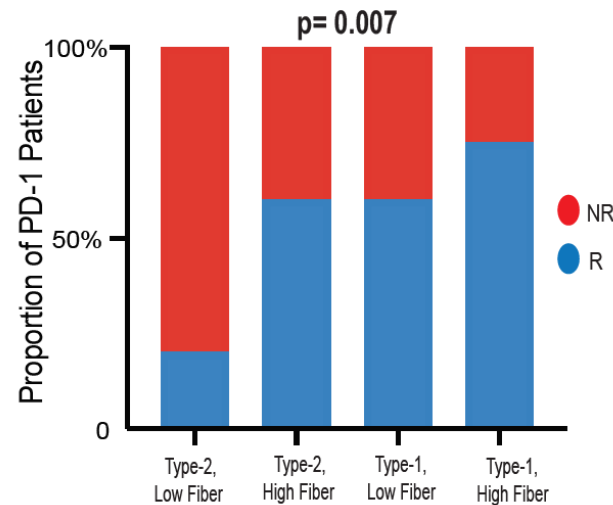
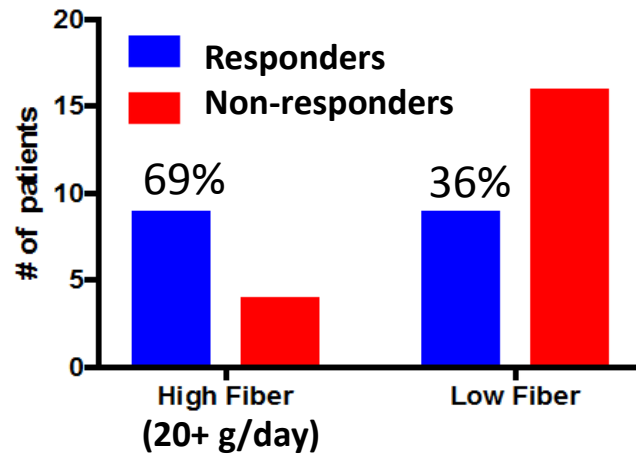
Non-responder patient as FMT donors



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Effect of dietary fiber intake on anti-PD1 Response

Effect of high/low fiber diet on anti-PD1 response in melanoma patients



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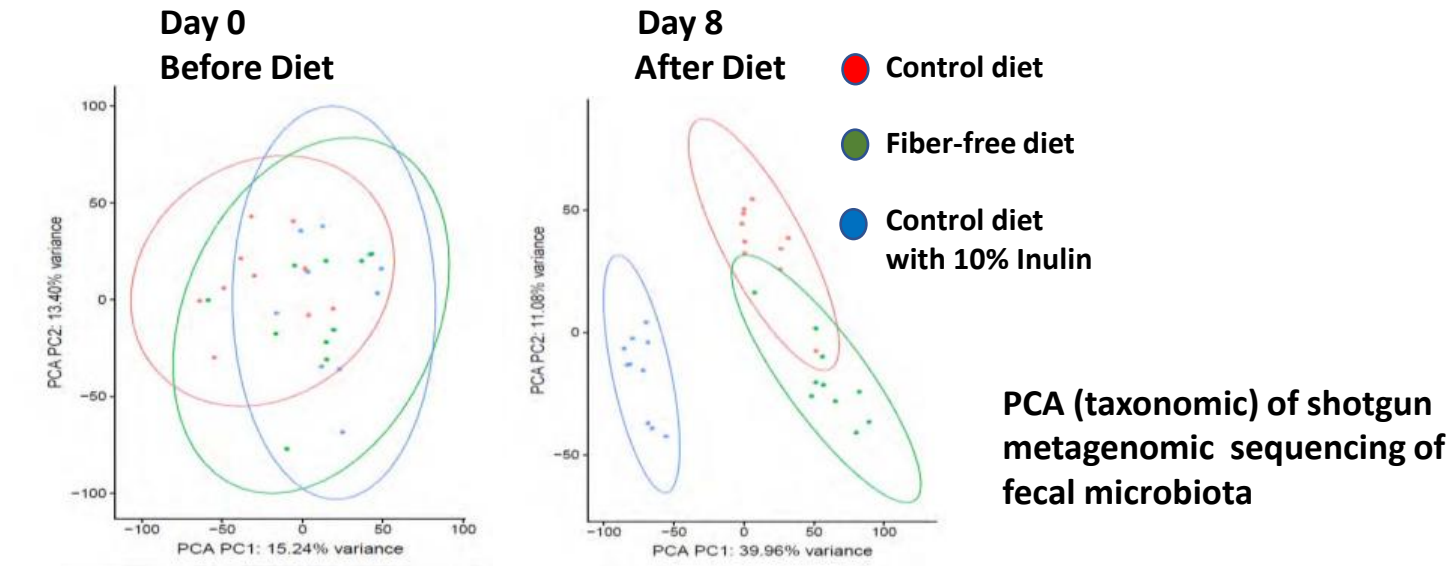
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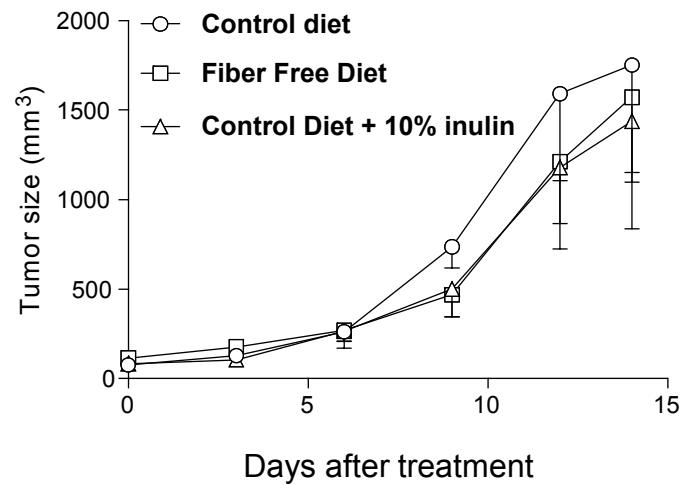
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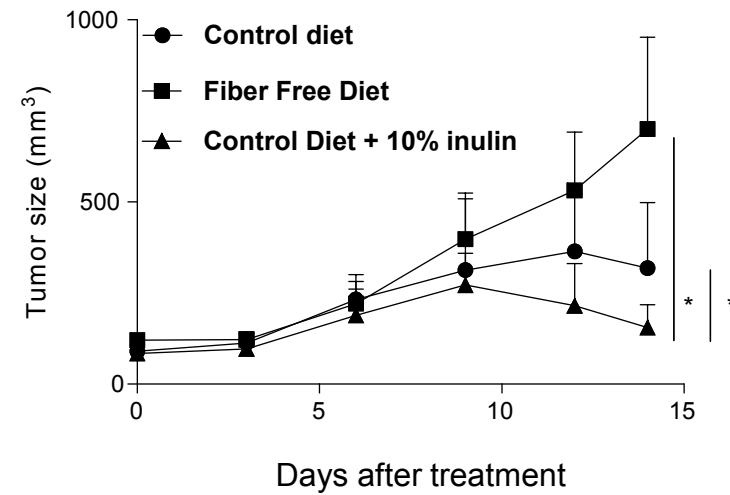
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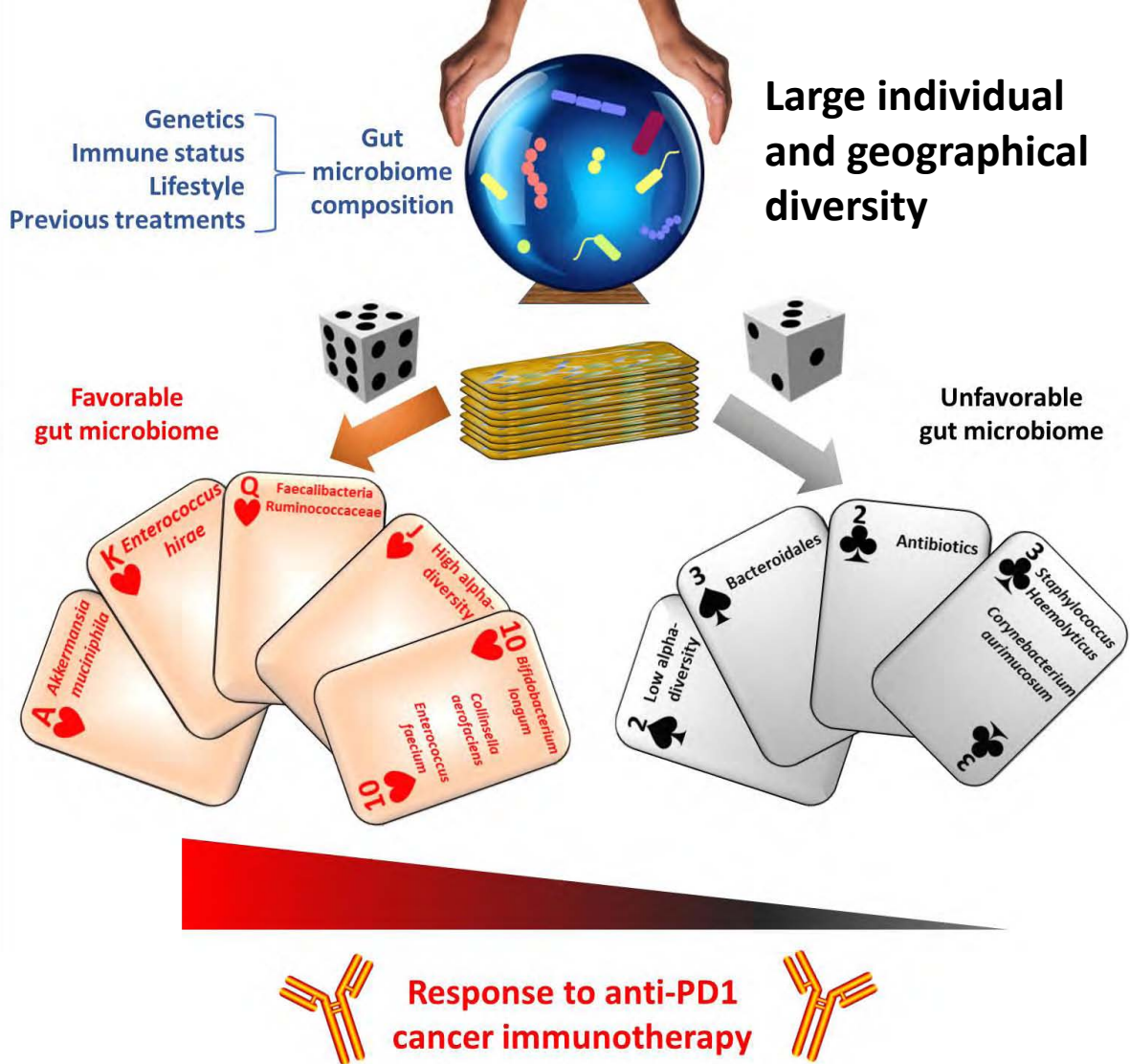
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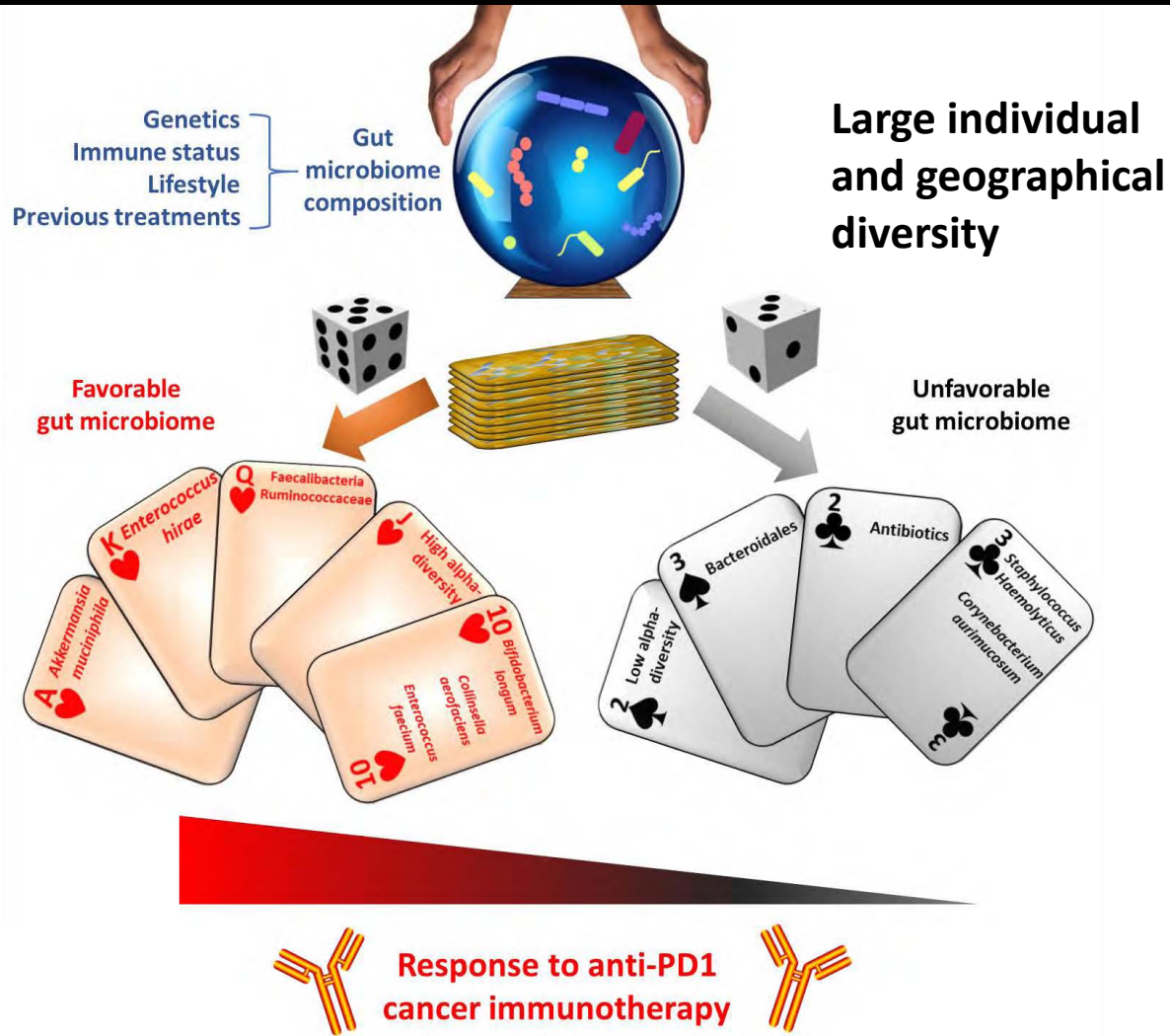
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SOMETHING CLEARLY IMPORTANT IS HAPPENING
BUT IT IS NOT CLEAR WHAT IT IS



John McCulloch

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PROGRESS/GOALS

- ✓ Discovery of reliable microbiome-related biomarkers for prediction of response and stratification of patients
- ✓ Identification of favorable microbiomes for fecal transfer from responder patients or healthy donors
- ✓ Identification of consortia of commensal bacteria that favor a clinical response
- ✓ Identification of perturbations (diet, prebiotics, etc.) able to induce or maintain a favorable microbiome composition
- ✓ Identification and therapeutic use of bacterial metabolites enhancing anti-tumor immunity
- ✓ Targeting molecular pathways by which the host-microbiome cross-talk enhance the anti-cancer response



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Final scene from Federico Fellini's "E la nave va" (1983)