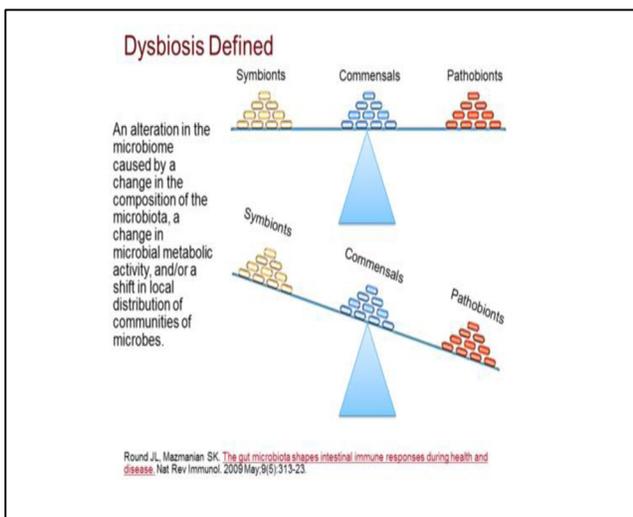
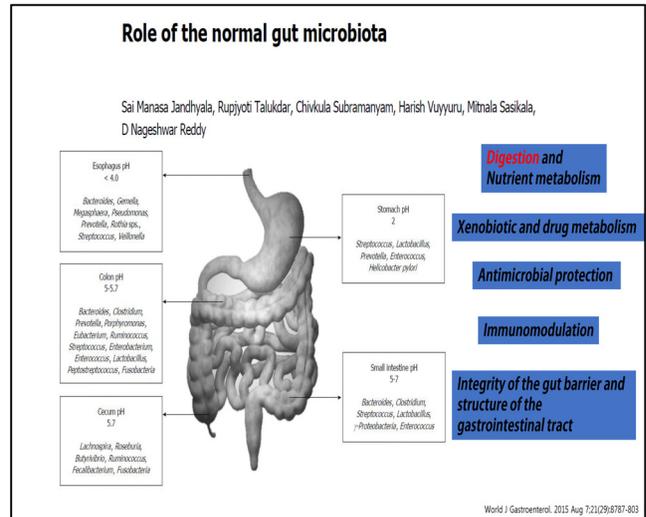
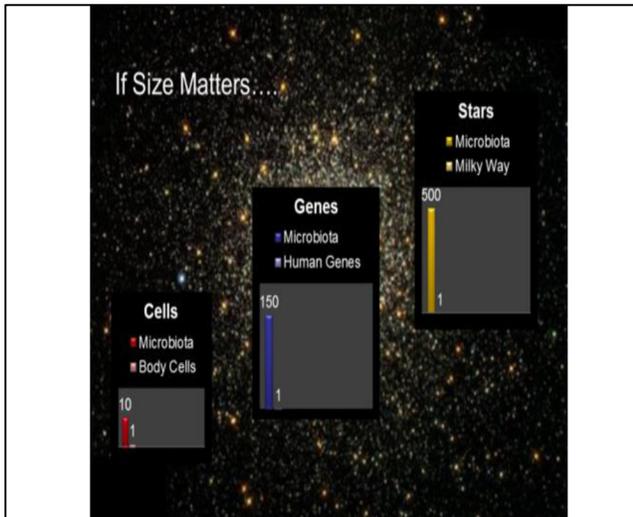


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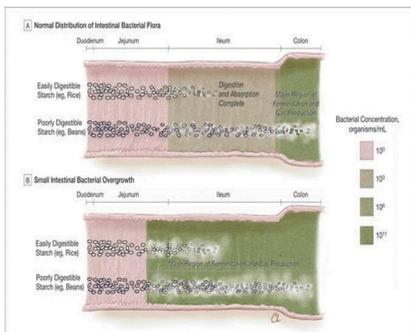
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- ### Dysbiosis 분류
- 1. Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth
  - 2. Colonic dysbiosis
  - 3. Yeast Overgrowth in the Gut
  - 4. Parasite in the Gut (rare)

## The concept of small intestinal bacterial overgrowth

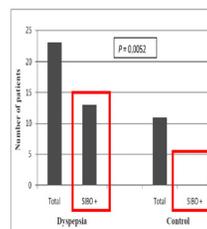


• SIBO :  $> 10^8$  CFU/ml of intestinal aspirate  
and/or the presence of colonic-type species

Lim HC. JAMA.1983;253:858

## EVALUATION OF SMALL INTESTINE BACTERIAL OVERGROWTH IN PATIENTS WITH FUNCTIONAL DYSPEPSIA THROUGH H<sub>2</sub> BREATH TEST

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	SIBO+	SIBO-	P value**
Dyspepsia with PPI	9	5	0.0011
Control group	0	11	
Total	9	14	

\*chi-square

FIGURE 1. Presence of SIBO in dyspeptic patients and control group

- Patients with functional dyspepsia presented SIBO, when they underwent to H<sub>2</sub>-lactulose breath test, compared to the non-dyspeptic.
- In addition, it was observed a higher prevalence of SIBO in dyspeptic patients that were using proton pump inhibitors, compared to control group.

Costa MB et al. Evaluation of small intestine bacterial overgrowth in patients with functional dyspepsia through H<sub>2</sub> breath test. *Arg Gastroenterol*. 2012;Dec(94):79-83.

## REVIEW



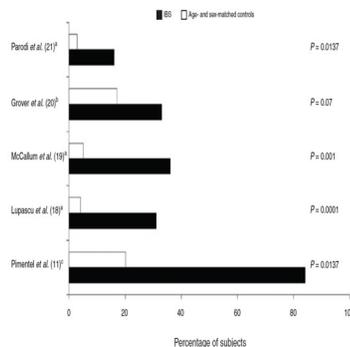
## Functional dyspepsia

Gerald Holtmann<sup>1,2</sup> and Nicholas J. Talley<sup>1</sup>

- In recent years, treatment targeting *H. pylori*
  - not result in an improvement of symptoms in a substantial proportion of patients when peptic ulcers are not present,
- In new research, inflammation and in particular microscopic inflammation of the duodenum and intestine
  - emerged as important associations with functional dyspepsia.
- Interestingly, antibiotic therapy targeting *H. pylori*
  - more effective with regard to symptom improvement in patients with microscopic duodenal inflammation,
  - ⇒ suggesting that the effects are not simply mediated by eradication of *H. pylori*, but other antibacterial effects (e.g., on the duodenal microbiome) might be equally important.
- The observation of increased duodenal eosinophilia, impaired permeability, and immune activation
  - represent as a functional dyspepsia.

Curr Opin Gastroenterol. 2015 Nov;31(6):492-8.

## Irritable Bowel Syndrome



- Breath-test findings in IBS subjects using age- and sex-matched healthy controls.
- a : Glucose breath testing, b : Lactulose breath testing, c : Sucrose breath testing.

Mark Pimentel, *Am J Gastroenterol* 2010;105:718-721

## MECHANISM OF IBS SYMPTOMS IN PATIENTS WITH DYSBIOSIS (GI motility)

*Digestive Diseases and Sciences*, Vol. 49, No. 1 (January 2004), pp. 64-67 (4 2004)

IBS Subjects with Methane on Lactulose Breath Test Have Lower Postprandial Serotonin Levels Than Subjects with Hydrogen

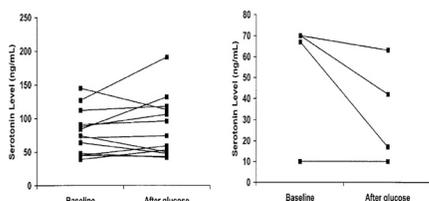
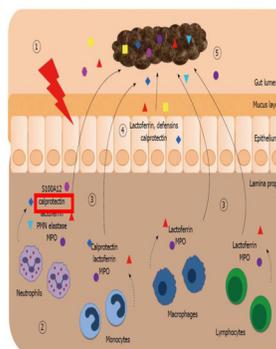


Fig 2. Individual serotonin responses after a glucose meal among IBS subjects producing only hydrogen

Fig 3. Individual serotonin responses after a glucose meal among IBS subjects producing only methane

## Fecal calprotectin (FC) for colonic dysbiosis dx



- Derived predominantly from neutrophils and monocytes.
- FC : 대장 염증의 지표
- Being resistant to enzymatic degradation
  - easily measured in stools with a commercially available ELISA immunoassay.

Diabitz J et al. Diagnostic utility of fecal biomarkers in patients with irritable bowel syndrome. *World J Gastroenterol*. 2014;Jan 14;20(2):363-75.

MOLECULAR MEDICINE REPORTS 10: 522-526, 2014

### Faecal calprotectin as a novel biomarker for differentiating between inflammatory bowel disease and irritable bowel syndrome

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Table II. Clinical and biochemical data of the IBD and IBS patients.

Parameter	IBD (n=58)		IBS (n=26)		P-value
	Mean ± SD	Range	Mean ± SD	Range	
CRP (mg/dl)	0.85±1.200	0.014-4.900	0.16±0.23	0.010-1.040	<0.0001
ESR (mm/h)	18.14±21.16	2-104	9.11±4.02	5-37	0.730
Faecal calprotectin (μg/g)	694.8±685.0	30-1810	85.8±136.1	30-622	<0.0001

IBD, inflammatory bowel disease; IBS, irritable bowel syndrome; CRP, C-reactive protein; ESR, erythrocyte sedimentation rate; SD, standard deviation.

**•Significantly higher stool FC levels in IBS patients than serum CRP levels.**

Gastroenterology 2017; Mar; 45(3):125-131. doi: 10.1016/j.gastro.2016.04.005. Epub 2016 May 31.

### Faecal calprotectin, a useful marker in discriminating between inflammatory bowel disease and functional gastrointestinal disorders.

[Article in English, Spanish]

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**Abstract**

**INTRODUCTION:** Diagnostic discrimination between inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and functional gastrointestinal disorders is complex, as they cause similar signs and symptoms. Faecal calprotectin (FC) is a useful marker in this context, and can be used to select patients who will most benefit from colonoscopy. The aim of this study was to evaluate the utility of FC in discriminating between organic disease and functional disorders.

**MATERIAL AND METHODS:** The study included 254 patients presenting with gastrointestinal complaints consistent with an organic pathology. FC levels were determined and diagnostic accuracy was assessed using the area under the curve obtained from the final diagnosis.

**RESULTS:** Calprotectin levels in organic bowel disease patients were significantly higher (median 254μg/g; 95% confidence interval [CI], interquartile range 105-588.5) than in functional disease patients (95μg/g; 95% CI, 47.25-243.32) (P<0.001). Similarly, in patients with IBD, the values obtained were higher (270.85μg/g; 95% CI, 96.85-674.00) than in those with irritable bowel syndrome (79.70μg/g; 95% CI, 36.50-117.25) (P<0.001). For a cut-off of 150μg/g, FC had an area under the ROC curve to discriminate between organic and functional disease of 0.718, and 0.872 to discriminate between irritable bowel syndrome and IBD.

**CONCLUSION:** Our study supports the importance of FC as a marker in the evaluation of patients with IBD. The best diagnostic accuracy is obtained at a cut-off value of 150μg/g.

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### Fecal Calprotectin and serum chromogranin A as potential biomarkers of irritable bowel syndrome severity

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• The patient's FC status (less than 30 lg/g, from 31 to 50 lg/g, more than 51 lg/g).

• FC levels significantly correlated with the physical component of health related quality of life (HRQoL).

Med Hypotheses. 2015 Sep;85(3):339-42

### Evaluation of SIBO

수소/메탄 호기 검사 기구

### Lactulose or glucose H<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> BREATH TEST

**normal** **Bacteria overgrowth**

normal: SUBSTRATO → fermentation → H<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> → H<sub>2</sub> ESPIRATO

Bacteria overgrowth: SUBSTRATO → fermentation → H<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> → H<sub>2</sub> ESPIRATO

### Fecal calprotectin (FC) for colonic dysbiosis dx

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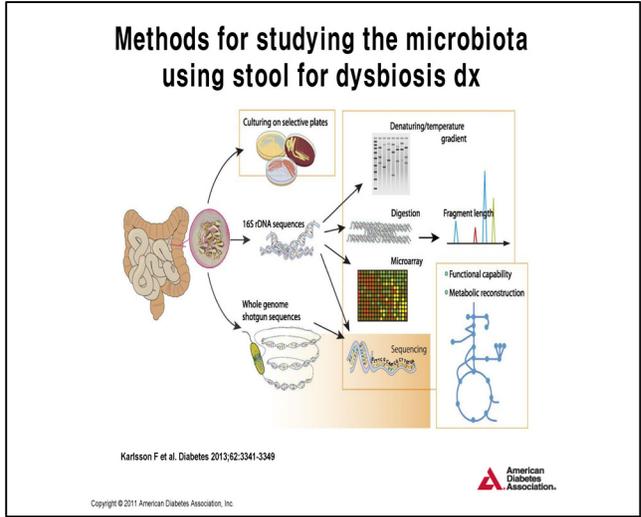
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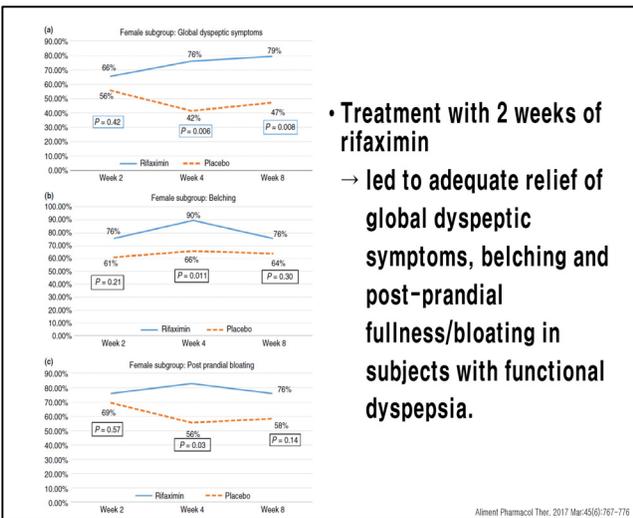
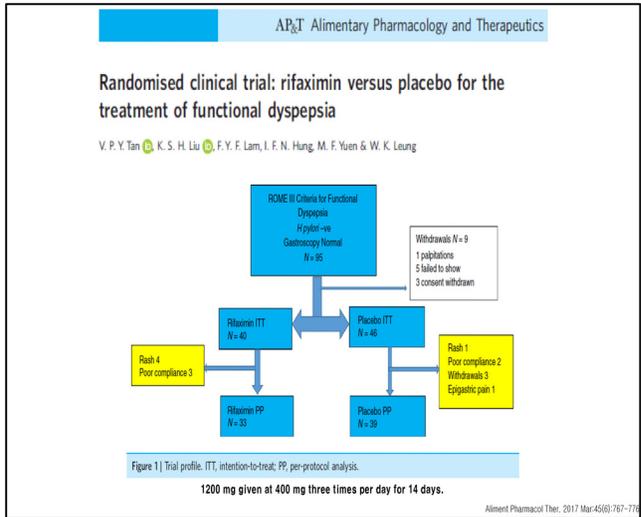
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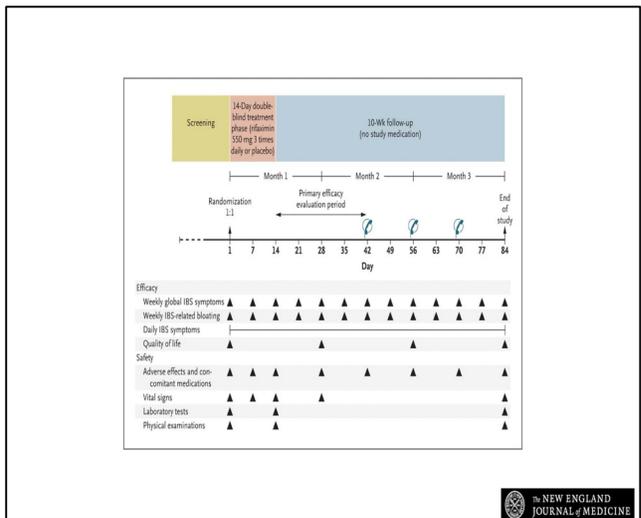
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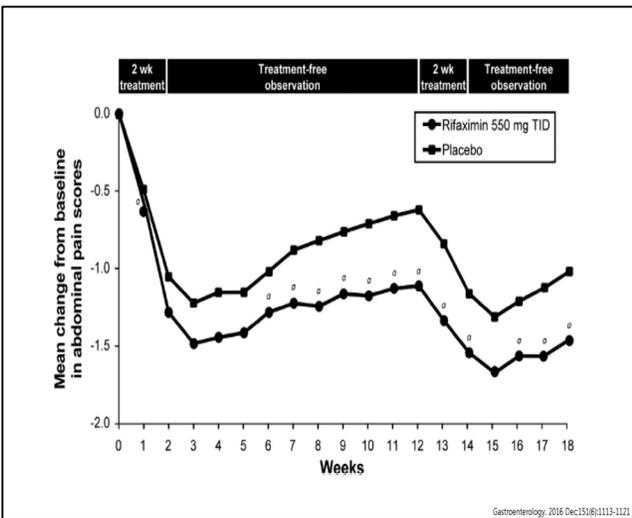
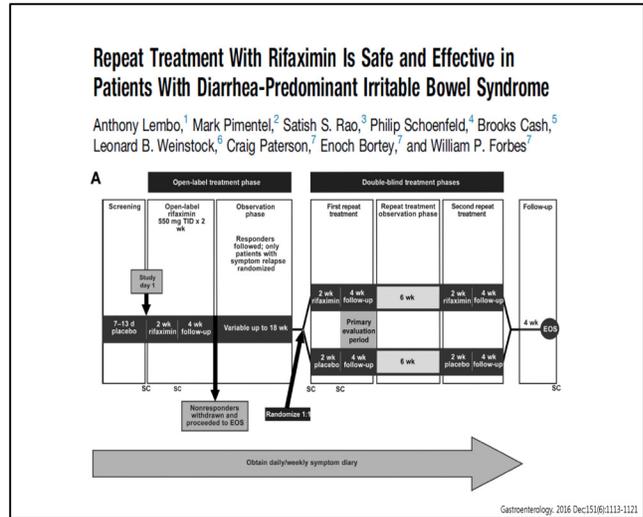
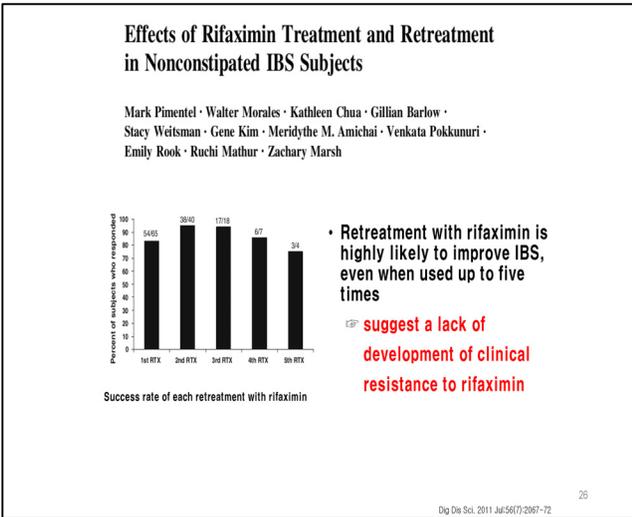
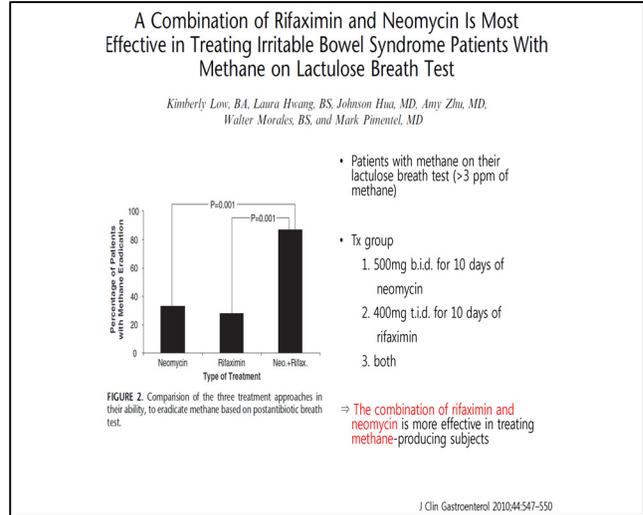
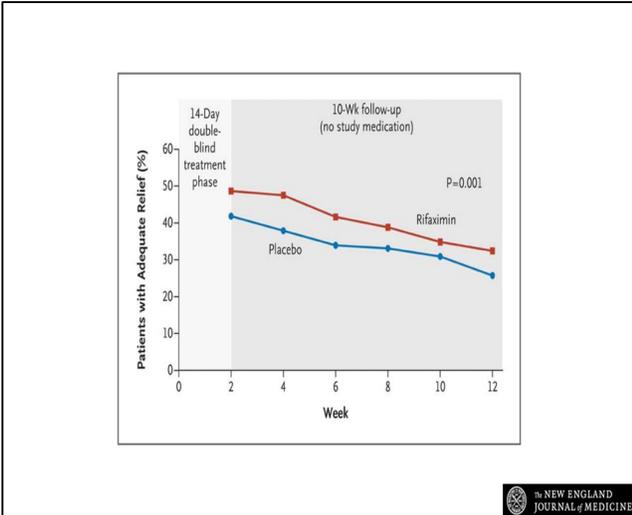
### The 5R Program

1. Remove
2. Replace
3. Reinoculate
4. Repair
5. Rebalance



• Treatment with 2 weeks of rifaximin  
→ led to adequate relief of global dyspeptic symptoms, belching and post-prandial fullness/bloating in subjects with functional dyspepsia.





### Table 3. Summary of Adverse Events During Open-label (n = 2579) and Double-blind (n = 636) Phases<sup>a</sup>

AE, n (%)	Open-label population (n = 2579)		Double-blind population (n = 636)	
	Rifaximin, 550 mg TID (n = 2579)	Placebo (n = 308)	Rifaximin 550 mg TID (n = 328)	Placebo (n = 308)
Any AE	822 (31.8)	140 (42.7)	140 (42.7)	140 (45.5)
Drug-related AE	85 (3.3)	6 (1.8)	6 (1.8)	8 (2.6)
Serious AE	28 (1.1)	4 (1.2)	4 (1.2)	4 (1.3)
Most common AEs <sup>b</sup>				
Nausea	52 (2.0)	12 (3.7)	12 (3.7)	7 (2.3)
Upper respiratory tract infection	41 (1.6)	12 (3.7)	12 (3.7)	8 (2.6)
Urinary tract infection	35 (1.4)	11 (3.4)	11 (3.4)	15 (4.9)
Nasopharyngitis	36 (1.4)	10 (3.0)	10 (3.0)	9 (2.9)
Alanine aminotransferase increased	24 (0.9)	9 (2.7)	9 (2.7)	4 (1.3)
Blood creatinine phosphokinase increased	31 (1.2)	9 (2.7)	9 (2.7)	3 (1.0)
Bronchitis	15 (0.6)	9 (2.7)	9 (2.7)	5 (1.6)
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	24 (0.9)	7 (2.1)	7 (2.1)	4 (1.3)
Diarrhea	20 (0.8)	7 (2.1)	7 (2.1)	3 (1.0)
Influenza	33 (1.3)	7 (2.1)	7 (2.1)	2 (0.6)
Sinusitis	34 (1.3)	7 (2.1)	7 (2.1)	7 (2.3)
Headache	42 (1.6)	4 (1.2)	4 (1.2)	9 (2.9)
Arthralgia	17 (0.7)	3 (0.9)	3 (0.9)	8 (2.6)

<sup>a</sup>In a phase 3 study of patients with relapsing symptoms of IBS-D, repeat rifaximin treatment was efficacious and well tolerated.

Gastroenterology. 2016 Dec;151(6):1113-1121

## FDA Approves Rifaximin for IBS

- In patients with IBS, the dose is one 550 mg tablet 3 times a day for 14 days, with retreatment for recurrence **up to two additional rounds.**

## Systematic review with meta-analysis: rifaximin is effective and safe for the treatment of small intestine bacterial overgrowth

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### Background

Small intestinal bacterial overgrowth (SIBO) is a heterogeneous syndrome, characterised by an increased number and/or abnormal type of bacteria in the small bowel. Over the past decades, rifaximin has gained popularity for this indication despite its use is not evidence based.

### Aim

To perform a systematic review and meta-analysis to summarise evidence about the efficacy and safety of rifaximin to eradicate SIBO in adult patients.

### Methods

MEDLINE, EMBASE, Cochrane, Scopus and Web of Science were searched from inception to March 16, 2015 for RCTs and observational studies. Furthermore, abstract books of major European, American and Asian gastroenterological meetings were also examined.

### Results

Thirty-two studies involving 1331 patients were included. The overall eradication rate according to intention-to-treat analysis was 70.8% (95% CI: 61.4–78.2;  $I^2 = 89.4\%$ ) and in per protocol analysis 72.9% (95% CI: 65.5–79.8;  $I^2 = 87.5\%$ ). Meta-regression identified three covariates (drug dose, study design and co-therapy) independently associated with an increased eradication rate. The overall rate of adverse events was 4.6% (95% CI: 2.3–7.5;  $I^2 = 63.6\%$ ). In the subset of studies ( $n = 10$ ) allowing the analysis, improvement or resolution of symptoms in patients with eradicated SIBO was found to be 67.7% (95% CI: 44.7–86.9;  $I^2 = 91.3\%$ ).

### Conclusions

Rifaximin treatment seems to be effective and safe for the treatment of SIBO. However, the quality of the available studies is generally poor. Well-designed RCTs are needed to substantiate these findings and to establish the optimal regimen.

Aliment Pharmacol Ther. 2017 Mar;45(5):604–616

Treatment duration	Stool type	Initial visit	4 weeks	8 weeks	12 weeks	P*	
4 weeks group	Diarrhea	Likert score: 2.4 ± 1.0 Bristol scale: 6.1 ± 0.8	4.6 ± 1.4 4.3 ± 0.9	-	-	< 0.05	
	Mixed	Likert score: 2.2 ± 0.8 Bristol scale: 2.3 ± 0.8	4.1 ± 0.7 4.1 ± 0.8	-	-	< 0.05	
	9 weeks group	Diarrhea	Likert score: 2.2 ± 1.2 Bristol scale: 6.3 ± 0.7	4.3 ± 1.1 4.1 ± 1.3	5.3 ± 1.5 5.9 ± 1.0	-	< 0.05
		Mixed	Likert score: 2.0 ± 0.9 Bristol scale: 2.0 ± 1.1	4.3 ± 1.2 3.7 ± 0.9	5.9 ± 1.0 5.9 ± 1.0	-	< 0.05
12 weeks group	Diarrhea	Likert score: 1.9 ± 1.1 Bristol scale: 6.4 ± 1.2	4.2 ± 1.3 4.9 ± 1.1	4.8 ± 1.2 4.5 ± 1.5	5.3 ± 1.5 4.2 ± 1.1	< 0.05	
	Mixed	Likert score: 1.8 ± 0.9 Bristol scale: 2.8 ± 0.9	3.9 ± 0.9 3.2 ± 1.1	4.5 ± 1.3 3.4 ± 1.3	4.9 ± 0.9 4.9 ± 0.9	< 0.05	

\*There were statistically significant between initial and last scores.

Legend:  
 ○ Baseline value  
 ■ 90 min value  
 ■ LBT score

According to treatment duration for 12 weeks, statistically at 90 min ( $P < 0.05$ ) and its different among all groups, data during 90 min.

## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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## Determination of Rifaximin Treatment Period According to Lactulose Breath Test Values in Nonconstipated Irritable Bowel Syndrome Subjects

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Small intestinal bacterial overgrowth (SIBO) can partly explain irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), and rifaximin has been observed to improve abdominal symptoms in nonconstipated IBS patients. However, there are few reports on the association of the rifaximin treatment periods with the results of a lactulose breath test (LBT). Therefore, we performed a retrospective review of patient charts to investigate the relation between the rifaximin treatment periods with LBT results in nonconstipated IBS patients. We also evaluated the time to achieve a symptomatic improvement in the IBS patients as compared to the changes in the LBT. We reviewed the charts for patients who showed IBS symptoms with documented positive results for LBT during their initial visit and who had a follow-up LBT after treatment with rifaximin. The LBT values were compared to the subjects' symptom scores. A total of 302 subjects had a follow-up LBT to assess LBT normalization. The subjects were divided into groups according to treatment periods of 4 weeks ( $n = 36$ ), 8 weeks ( $n = 43$ ), and 12 weeks ( $n = 223$ ). The groups with a longer treatment exhibited an increase in the hydrogen gas value at 90 min and its sum during 90 min at the initial LBT after treatment with rifaximin. The LBT values were compared to the subjects' symptom scores. A significant improvement occurred earlier than LBT normalization in the treatment period over 4 weeks. The results indicate that different rifaximin treatment periods are needed in accordance with LBT levels to effectively eradicate SIBO.

**Keywords:** Irritable Bowel Syndrome; Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth; Lactulose Breath Test; Rifaximin

- Conclusion
- When rifaximin treatment is administered in response to IBS symptoms, a premature termination of the treatment can happen while SIBO still exists.
- The adjustment of the treatment period more efficient management of SIBO symptoms.

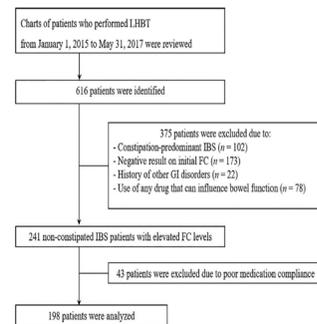
## CLINICAL INVESTIGATION



## Changes in Fecal Calprotectin After Rifaximin Treatment in Patients With Nonconstipated Irritable Bowel Syndrome

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Am J Med Sci. 2019 Jan;35(1):23-28.



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Treatment duration		Initial visit	4 weeks	8 weeks	12 weeks	P-value*
4 weeks group (n = 115)	Fecal calprotectin	84.5 ± 131.8	< 11.5 mg/kg	-	-	< 0.05
	Likert scale	4.4 ± 0.8	2.1 ± 0.7	-	-	
8 weeks group (n = 59)	Fecal calprotectin	136.4 ± 216.7	91.7 ± 144.1	< 11.5 mg/kg	-	< 0.05
	Likert scale	4.5 ± 0.7	2.9 ± 0.9	2.2 ± 0.8	-	
12 weeks group (n = 8)	Fecal calprotectin	95.4 ± 91.5	125.5 ± 208.1	123.5 ± 280.8	< 11.5 mg/kg	< 0.05
	Likert scale	4.7 ± 1.0	3.1 ± 0.8	2.3 ± 0.9	1.9 ± 0.9	
P value**		0.137				

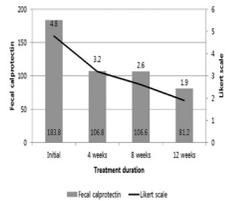
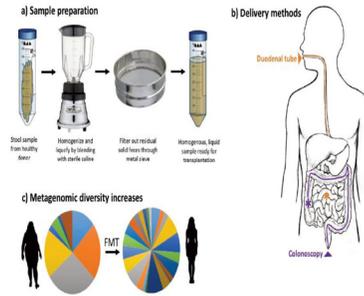


FIGURE 1. Mean values of the initial and follow-up fecal calprotectin and Likert scale in patients with persistent elevated fecal calprotectin levels after a 12-week treatment (n = 36).

These findings suggest that fecal calprotectin might be a useful biomarker for measuring the effect of rifaximin therapy in nonconstipated irritable bowel syndrome patients with elevated fecal calprotectin values.

Am J Med Sci. 2019 Jan;357(1):23-28.

### Fecal Microbiota Transplantation schematic



A) Donor fecal matter is blended with saline solution and pushed through a metal sieve to achieve a homogenous liquid solution. B) Processed fecal microbiota is either delivered via a duodenal tube or colonoscopy. C) Representative data showing metagenomic diversity increases following FMT from lean donor to obese recipient.

Yale J Biol Med. 2016 Sep 20;95(3):383-388



Fig. 2. Fecal microbiota transplantation procedures. (A) Donor stool and normal saline (1:3) ground in a blender. (B) Fecal suspension in 50-ml syringes. (C) Infusion using colonoscopy.

Clin Endosc. 2016 May;49(3):257-65

### Faecal microbiota transplantation versus placebo for moderate-to-severe irritable bowel syndrome: a double-blind, randomised, placebo-controlled, parallel-group, single-centre trial

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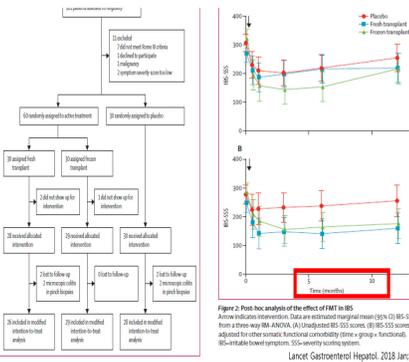


Figure 2. Post hoc analysis of the effect of FMT in IBS. Active medication interventions. Data are expressed as mean (SD). (A) IBS-SSS from a three-way RM ANOVA. (B) Individualised IBS-SSS scores. (C) IBS-SSS scores adjusted for extreme baseline functional connectivity (three-way ANOVA). IBS=irritable bowel syndrome. SSS=severity scoring system.

Lancet Gastroenterol Hepatol. 2018 Jan;3(1):17-24

Study Protocol Systematic Review



### Fecal microbiota transplantation for patients with irritable bowel syndrome

A meta-analysis protocol

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**Abstract**  
Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) is a common functional bowel disease characterized by chronic or recurrent abdominal pain, bloating, constipation, and/or diarrhea. Many patients with IBS have a poor quality of life due to abdominal discomfort, diarrhea, constipation, and the presence of other diseases. At present, intestinal motility inhibitors, anticholinergics, intestinal mucosal protective agents, and antidepressants have been combined to treat IBS, but the treatment process is long, which results in a large economic burden to patients. Fecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) is a treatment involving the transplantation of functional bacteria from healthy human feces into the gastrointestinal tract of patients, thus, replacing the intestinal flora and modulating intestinal and extra-intestinal diseases. In recent years, the efficacy and economic benefits of FMT in the treatment of IBS have received increasing attention from researchers. A search for randomized controlled trials (RCTs) on treating IBS with FMT will be performed using 9 databases, including PubMed, the Cochrane Library, Embase, ClinicalTrials, China National Knowledge Infrastructure, Sino Med, ScienceDirect, VIP, and Wanfang Data. Two reviewers will independently screen data extraction studies and assess study quality and risk of bias. The risk of bias for each RCT will be assessed against the Cochrane Handbook standards to assess methodological quality. RevMan V.5.3 software will be used to calculate data synthesis when meta-analysis is allowed. This study will provide a high-quality synthesis of existing evidence on the effectiveness and safety of FMT in the treatment of IBS. This study will determine if FMT is an effective and safe intervention for IBS. PROSPERO registration number is PROSPERO CRD42018108680.

**Abbreviations:** CI = confidence intervals, FMT = fecal microbiota transplantation, IBS = irritable bowel syndrome, RCTs = randomized controlled trials.

**Keywords:** fecal microbiota transplantation, irritable bowel syndrome, meta-analysis, protocol

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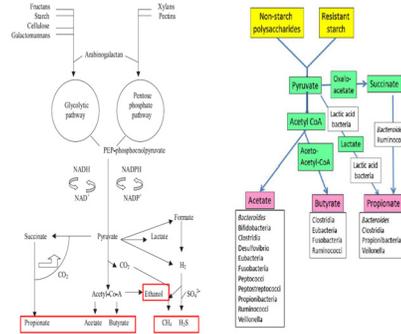
- Agents for digestive support
  - Consider a short course of pancreatic enzymes and in some cases Betaine HCL if low acidity.
- This step may not be necessary.

## Reinoculate

- Reinoculate refers to the reintroduction of desirable GI microflora (probiotics) to obtain a more desirable balance of microflora, as well as support for these probiotics with prebiotic fibers.
- Clinical approaches may include:
  - Bifidobacteria
  - Lactobacillus
  - Inulin or fructooligosaccharides (FOS), soy fiber
  - Soluble rice fibers
  - Arabinogalactans

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## Fermentable oligosaccharides, disaccharides, monosaccharides and Polyols (FODMAPs)



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## Fermentable oligosaccharides, disaccharides, monosaccharides and Polyols (FODMAPs)

Table 1. FODMAP carbohydrates and their richest food sources

FODMAP	Richest food sources
Fructo-oligosaccharides (fructans)	Wheat, rye, onions, garlic, artichokes
Galacto-oligosaccharides (GOS)	Legumes
Lactose	Milk
Fructose	Honey, apples, pears, watermelon, mango
Sorbitol	Apples, pears, stone fruits, sugar-free mints/gums
Mannitol	Mushrooms, cauliflower, sugar-free mints/gums

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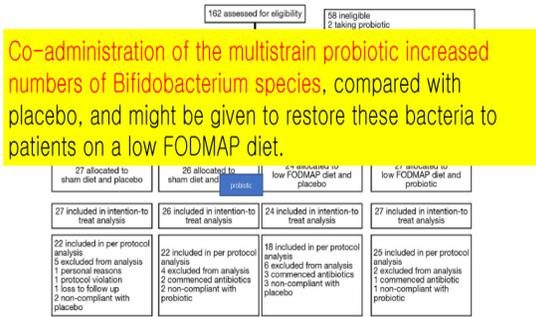
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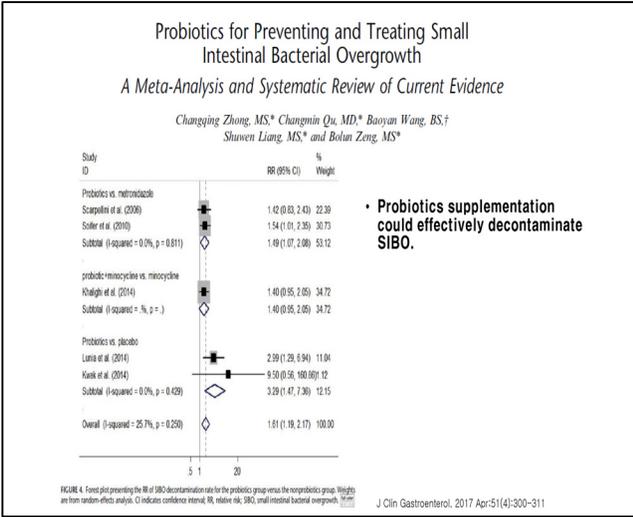
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## Prebiotics

- Prebiotics :most plant-based foods.
  - Need at least five grams of them to make an impact
  - ☞ Generally, can not be included within a tiny capsule as a symbiotic.
  - Eating real (fresh) food is a far better way about getting enough prebiotics



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## A Randomized Clinical Trial of Synbiotics in Irritable Bowel Syndrome: Dose-Dependent Effects on Gastrointestinal Symptoms and Fatigue

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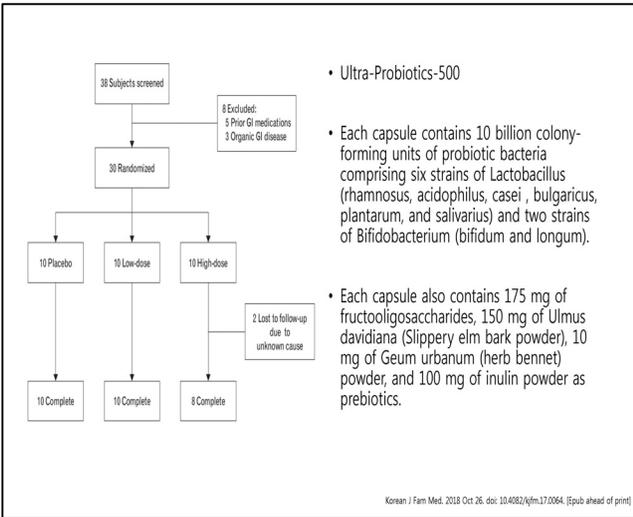


Table 2. Clinical variables of the study subjects at the last visit, 8 weeks after baseline (n=28)

Variable	Placebo (n=10)	Low-dose (n=10)	High-dose (n=8)	P-value
Abdominal discomfort score	5.4±2.3	3.3±0.9	2.0±1.1	0.002*
Abdominal bloating score	5.4±2.0	4.3±1.8	2.1±1.6	0.006*
Formed stool frequency (per 10 times)	3.4±1.6	5.9±2.7	7.4±2.3	0.007*
Epigastric soreness score	2.9±2.1	2.9±1.9	1.6±2.2	0.319
Nausea score	1.3±1.5	0.9±1.4	0.4±0.5	0.476
Fatigue Severity Scale	42.9±8.3	34.8±10.3	34.0±9.6	0.115
Fatigue Visual Analog Scale	4.9±1.6	3.5±2.2	2.4±1.6	0.028*
Multidimensional Fatigue Inventory	86.0±12.7	74.3±15.2	73.4±13.6	0.041*
White blood cell (×10 <sup>9</sup> /L)	8.0±1.9	6.4±1.0	6.5±1.0	0.116
Hemoglobin (g/dL)	14.6±1.5	14.2±0.7	13.8±1.2	0.382
Hematocrit (%)	44.5±4.2	43.3±2.3	41.5±3.2	0.299
Platelet (×10 <sup>9</sup> /L)	232.8±42.2	257.8±40.0	220.0±32.4	0.144
Aspartate aminotransferase (U/L)	30.8±9.4	29.5±11.1	28.1±8.3	0.720
Alanine aminotransferase (U/L)	29.0±19.7	23.3±14.7	18.1±6.7	0.359
γ-Glutamyltransferase (U/L)	28.4±18.0	20.1±8.5	18.4±6.1	0.701
Blood urea nitrogen (mg/dL)	12.0±2.0	13.4±2.4	15.8±5.2	0.186
Creatinine (mg/dL)	0.9±0.2	0.8±0.1	0.9±0.1	0.181

Values are presented as mean±standard deviation. P-values from the Kruskal-Wallis test. \*P<0.05.

### Clinical Study

## The Therapeutic Effect of a Multistrain Probiotic on Diarrhea-Predominant Irritable Bowel Syndrome: A Pilot Study

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- The probiotic agent used in the present study was Ther-Biotic® Complete, a multi-species probiotic combination (Ther-Biotic® Complete; ProHer, Inc., USA) designed and marketed for various digestive problems including IBS.
- Each capsule contains 25 billion active bacteria with 12 different strains: *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* 6.0 billion CFU; *Bifidobacterium bifidum* 5.0 billion CFU; *L. acidophilus* 3.0 billion CFU; *L. casei* 2.5 billion CFU; *L. plantarum* 2.0 billion CFU; *L. salivarius* 2.0 billion CFU; *B. longum* 1.0 billion CFU; *Streptococcus thermophilus* 1.0 billion CFU; *L. bulgaricus* 1.0 billion CFU; *L. paracasei* 0.5 billion CFU; *B. lactis* 0.5 billion CFU; and *B. breve* 0.5 billion CFU.

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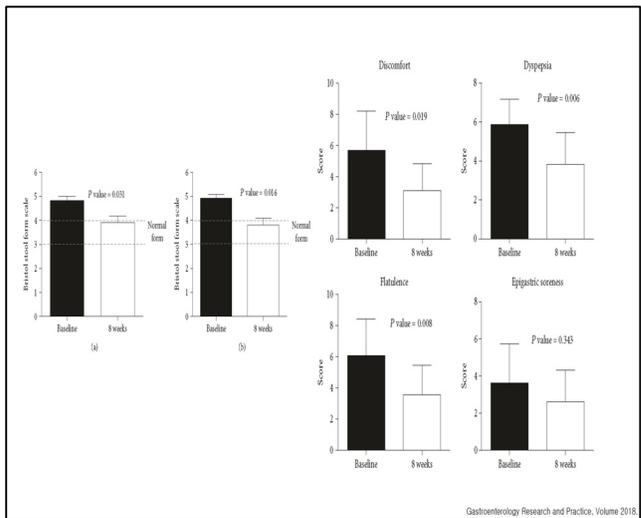


TABLE 2: Fecal microbiome analysis before and after probiotic ingestion.

	Group	Mean ± SD		P value	95% CI
		Baseline	8 weeks		
Observed OTUs (Chao1)	FAS	251.1 ± 60.7	198.7 ± 63.0	0.017	-93.8, -11.2
	PPS	245.8 ± 61.2	188.1 ± 55.1	0.017	-102, -13.3
Beneficial bacteria	FAS	42.9 ± 16.9	54.3 ± 14.6	0.020	2.3, 20.6
	PPS	41.2 ± 16.8	53.7 ± 15.3	0.018	2.7, 22.5
Deleterious bacteria	FAS	12.5 ± 13.3	4.9 ± 3.8	0.010	-19.5, -0.7
	PPS	13.0 ± 13.9	4.7 ± 4.0	0.010	-19.2, -0.8
Lactic acid bacteria	FAS	0.89 ± 1.0	4.2 ± 5.1	0.010	0.3, 8.9
	PPS	1.03 ± 1.0	4.56 ± 5.16	0.010	0.553, 8.9

(a) Lactulose hydrogen breath test

Positive subjects at baseline (%)	Positive subjects at 8th week (%)
6 (54.5)	4 (40)

(b) Fecal calprotectin

	Mean value at baseline (mg/kg)	Mean value at 8th week (mg/kg)	P value
FAS group	323.4 ± 684.9	180.4 ± 327.1	0.375
PPS group	364.4 ± 729.1	200.9 ± 347.6	0.375

## Probiotics: Questions to answer

- Which species is best?
- Are combination agents better?
- What is the appropriate dose?
- What is the appropriate duration of treatment?
- What outcome measures are appropriate?
- What is the appropriate follow-up?
- What is the appropriate patient population?

## “Repair”

- Repair refers to providing nutritional support for healing and growth of the GI mucosa.
- Clinical approaches may include:
  - Nutrients important for GI repair: **Glutamine, arginine, vitamin A, vitamin D, Vitamin C, zinc**
  - Mucosal lining support (e.g., phosphatidylcholine)
  - Mucosal secretion protectants such as phosphatidylcholine, plantain, polysaccharides
  - Support for GALT function (e.g., lactoferrin, lactoperoxidase, whey immunoglobulins)
  - Antioxidants known to function in the GI (e.g., catechins)
  - Micronutrients shown to support healing (e.g., pantothenic acid, vitamin E, carotenoids)
  - Nutritional anti-inflammatories (e.g., curcumin, EPA and DHA)

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## Changes in Intestinal Bifidobacteria Levels Are Associated with the Inflammatory Response in Magnesium-Deficient Mice<sup>1-3</sup>

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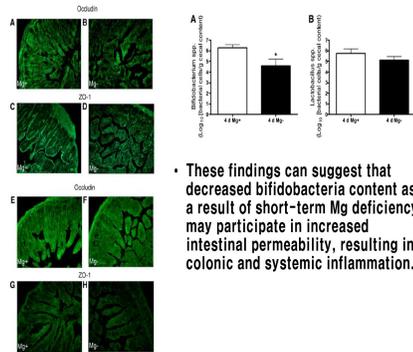


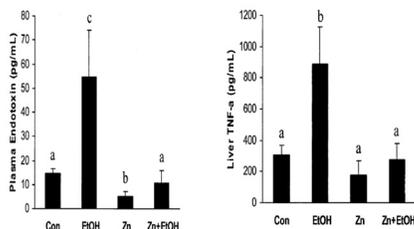
FIGURE 2. Immunofluorescence staining of the ileum epithelial tight junction proteins in mice fed a Mg-deficient diet for 4 weeks.

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- These findings can suggest that decreased bifidobacteria content as a result of short-term Mg deficiency may participate in increased intestinal permeability, resulting in colonic and systemic inflammation.

## Role of zinc

Preservation of Intestinal Structural Integrity by Zinc Is Independent of Metallothionein in Alcohol-Intoxicated Mice



Plasma endotoxin levels in MT-0 mice 1.5 hours after gastric administration of ethanol. Intrahepatic tumor necrosis factor (TNF- $\alpha$ ) levels in mice 6 hours after gastric administration of ethanol.

These results suggest that **zinc** brought these changes, at least in part, by preventing ethanol-induced transfer of endotoxin from intestine to circulation which could be ascribed to **preservation of intestinal morphology and permeability**.

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## Novel role of the vitamin D receptor in maintaining the integrity of the intestinal mucosal barrier

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Kong J, Zhang Z, Mosch MW, Ning G, Sun J, Bart J, Bismuth M, Li YC. Novel role of the vitamin D receptor in maintaining the integrity of the intestinal mucosal barrier. *Am J Physiol Gastrointest Liver Physiol* 294:G208-G216, 2008. First published October 23, 2007; doi:10.1152/ajpgi.00280.2007. Emerging evidence supports a pathophysiological link between vitamin D deficiency and the risk of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). To explore the mechanism we used the vitamin D receptor (VDR) null mice to investigate the role of the vitamin D receptor (VDR) in mucosal barrier homeostasis. While VDR<sup>-/-</sup> mice were severely malnourished and gained body weight less, leading to death in 1 wk. Histological examination revealed extensive ulceration and impaired wound healing in the colonic epithelium of VDR<sup>-/-</sup> mice. Severe diarrhea in VDR<sup>-/-</sup> mice was preceded by a greater loss of intestinal mucosal epithelial cells (IEC) compared with wild-type mice. Confocal and electron microscopy (EM) revealed severe disruption in epithelial junctions in VDR<sup>-/-</sup> mice after 3-day IBS treatment. Therefore, VDR<sup>-/-</sup> mice were much more susceptible to IBS-induced mucosal injury than VDR<sup>+/+</sup> mice. In cell culture, 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D<sub>3</sub> (1,25(OH)<sub>2</sub>D<sub>3</sub>) markedly enhanced tight junction formed by Caco-2 monolayers by increasing junction protein expression and TER and prevented the mucosal integrity of tight junctions in the presence of IBS. VDR knockdown with small interfering (siRNA) reduced the junction proteins and TER in Caco-2 monolayers. 1,25(OH)<sub>2</sub>D<sub>3</sub> can also stimulate epithelial cell migration *in vivo*. These observations suggest the VDR plays a critical role in mucosal barrier homeostasis by preserving the integrity of junction complex and the barrier capacity of the colonic epithelium. Therefore, vitamin D deficiency may compromise the mucosal barrier, leading to increased susceptibility to mucosal damage and increased risk of IBD.

The integrity of the intestinal mucosal barrier is preserved by the mucosa's regenerative capacity of the mucosal epithelium. The intestinal stem cells, located at the base of the crypt, are responsible for replenishing the epithelium through cell division and differentiation. After extensive destruction, rapid reepithelialization of the surface epithelium is accomplished by epithelial cell migration, proliferation, and differentiation (6). Another important component of the mucosal barrier is the apical and lateral intercellular junctions between the epithelial cells, namely tight junction and adherens junction (18). These junction structures seal the paracellular space and regulate the permeability of the mucosal barrier. IBD, including Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, is a major chronic disease affecting the gastrointestinal tract in humans. Although the etiology/pathogenesis of IBD has not been clearly elucidated, it is thought to involve a complex interplay among genetic, environmental, microbial, and immune factors (11). One potential pathogenic factor is impaired mucosal barrier function, and intestinal hyperpermeability is common in IBD patients (11). A relatively high number of first degree relatives of patients with Crohn's disease have increased intestinal permeability in the absence of clinical symptoms (12, 42), suggesting barrier dysfunction precedes, or is at least a very early defect, in the disease process that might require genetic predisposition and environmental triggers. Indeed, previous studies have demonstrated decreased expression and differential localization of junction complex proteins in the mucosa of patients with IBD (10, 16, 29). Therefore, dysregulation of junction proteins is an important pathogenic mechanism underlying the increased permeability seen in the mucosal epithelium of IBD patients.

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**Abstract**  
 Until recently, 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D<sub>3</sub> (1,25(OH)<sub>2</sub>D<sub>3</sub>) the active form of vitamin D was thought to function primarily as a regulator of calcium and phosphate metabolism. More diverse functionality was indicated by the discovery of the vitamin D receptor in tissues that are not involved in calcium and phosphate homeostasis. Detection of the vitamin D receptor in monocytes and activated T cells has sparked interest in the immunomodulatory properties of vitamin D. Here, we review the role of vitamin D in regulation of the immune system, and evidence for its involvement in the pathogenesis of inflammatory bowel disease.

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**The Effect of Supplemental Enteral Glutamine on Plasma Levels, Gut Function, and Outcome in Severe Burns: A Randomized, Double-Blind, Controlled Clinical Trial**

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**TABLE II**  
 Plasma glutamine concentration, μM/L

	Control group (n = 20)	Gln group (n = 20)	p value
PBD +1	381.1 ± 38.4	357.5 ± 55.4	.18
PBD +12	399.7 ± 49.6	391.0 ± 74.5	.048

**TABLE III**  
 L/M ratio

	Control group (n = 20)	Gln group (n = 20)	p value
PBD +1	0.221 ± 0.169	0.268 ± 0.202	.538
PBD +3	0.049 ± 0.016	0.025 ± 0.008	.001
PBD +6	0.051 ± 0.013	0.018 ± 0.003	.004
PBD +12	0.038 ± 0.021	0.018 ± 0.013	.23

**TABLE IV**  
 Endotoxin concentration, EU/mL

	Control group (n = 20)	Gln group (n = 20)	p value
PBD +1	0.089 ± 0.023	0.103 ± 0.037	.27
PBD +3	0.107 ± 0.038	0.061 ± 0.017	.021
PBD +6	0.166 ± 0.013	0.145 ± 0.016	.18
PBD +12	0.155 ± 0.035	0.162 ± 0.032	.35

• Enteral glutamine supplementation improved gut permeability, and initially decreased plasma endotoxin levels in severely thermally injured patients.

Original Communication

**The Role of L-Arginine and Inducible Nitric Oxide Synthase in Intestinal Permeability and Bacterial Translocation**

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**Abstract**  
 Background: Arginine has been shown to have several immunological and trophic properties in stressful diseases. Its metabolites, nitric oxide (NO) and polyamines, are related to arginine's effects. Thus, the aim of this study was to determine the effects of the NO donor L-arginine and the role of inducible NO synthase (iNOS) on intestinal permeability and bacterial translocation in a model of intestinal obstruction (IO) induced by a simple knot in the terminal ileum. **Material and Methods:** Male C57BL/6J wild-type (WT) and iNOS knockout (iNOS<sup>-/-</sup>) mice were randomized into 6 groups: Sham and Sham<sup>-/-</sup> (standard chow), IO and IO<sup>-/-</sup> (standard chow +IO), and Arg and Arg<sup>-/-</sup> (standard chow supplemented with arginine + IO). After 7 days of treatment with standard or supplemented chows, IO was induced and intestinal permeability and bacterial translocation were evaluated. The small intestine and its contents were harvested for histopathological and morphometric analysis and the determination of polyamine concentration. **Results:** Pretreatment with arginine maintained intestinal permeability (P > .05, Arg and Arg<sup>-/-</sup> groups vs Sham and Sham<sup>-/-</sup> groups), increased polyamine concentration in intestinal content (P < .05, Arg vs IO group), and decreased bacterial translocation in WT animals (Arg group vs IO and IO<sup>-/-</sup> groups). Absence of iNOS also presented a protective effect on permeability but not on bacterial translocation. **Conclusion:** Arginine supplementation and synthesis of NO by iNOS are important factors in decreasing bacterial translocation. However, when intestinal permeability was considered, NO had a detrimental role. *JPEN J Parenter Enteral Nutr.* XXXX,xx,xx-xx

**Rebalance**

- Pay attention to lifestyle choices – sleep, exercise and stress can all affect the GI tract
- Regular aerobic exercise
  - ☞ regular GI motility
  - ☞ reduces the stress-induced enzymes that can disrupt the GI barrier.

**ALCOHOL RESEARCH: Current Reviews**

**Alcohol and Gut-Derived Inflammation**

Transepithelial Alcohol  
 Paracellular Alcohol

Villi  
 Epithelial Cells  
 Tight Junction  
 Increased Gut Leakage

Balhezzati F, et al. Alcohol Res. 2017;38(2):163-171.

Flowchart for Functional GI disorders (Absence of GI organic diseases):

- Functional GI disorders (Absence of GI organic diseases)
  - Breath H<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> Test, FC and IP test if possible
  - Normix 400mg TID for 1 months + Nutritional support
    - Improved GI symptoms:
      - Breath H<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> Test and/or FC if possible
      - Normix 400mg TID for 1~3 months + Nutritional support
      - Breath H<sub>2</sub>/CH<sub>4</sub> Test, and/or FC, IP test if possible
      - Probiotics + Nutritional support
    - Not improved GI symptoms:
      - 1. Add laxatives
      - 2. Consider antipsychotic and GI motility drugs