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*Microbiota and Health : the challenges of a promising approach*

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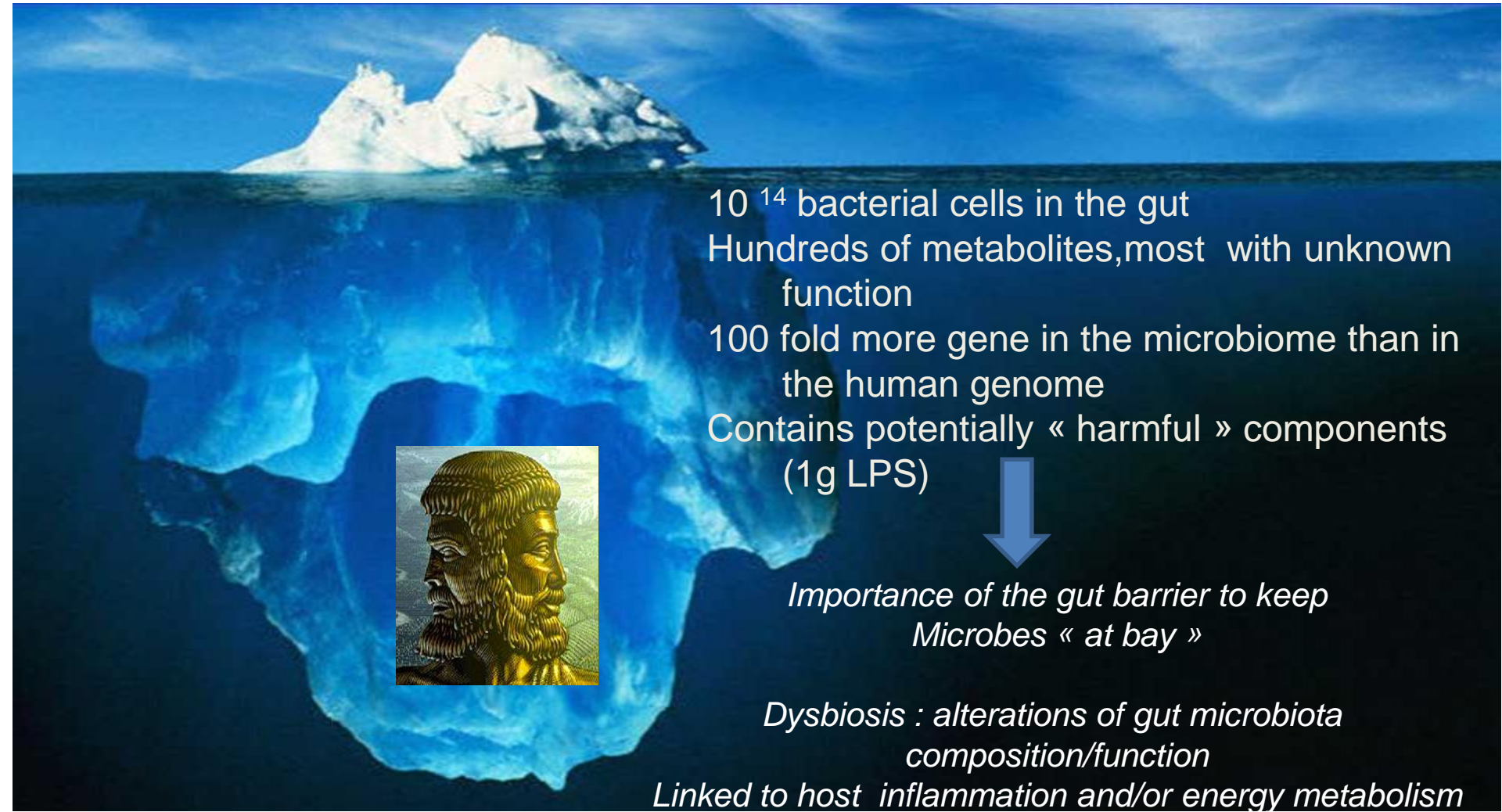
**Treatment options : pre and probiotics for treatment of  
malnutrition and cachexia**

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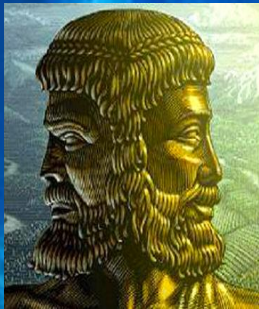


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# ***The Gut Microbiota: an internal organ we feed everyday***

An iceberg floating in the ocean. The tip of the iceberg is above the water surface, while the much larger, submerged part is below. This visualizes the concept of the gut microbiota as an internal organ that is not immediately apparent but has a significant impact.

10<sup>14</sup> bacterial cells in the gut  
Hundreds of metabolites, most with unknown function  
100 fold more gene in the microbiome than in the human genome  
Contains potentially « harmful » components (1g LPS)



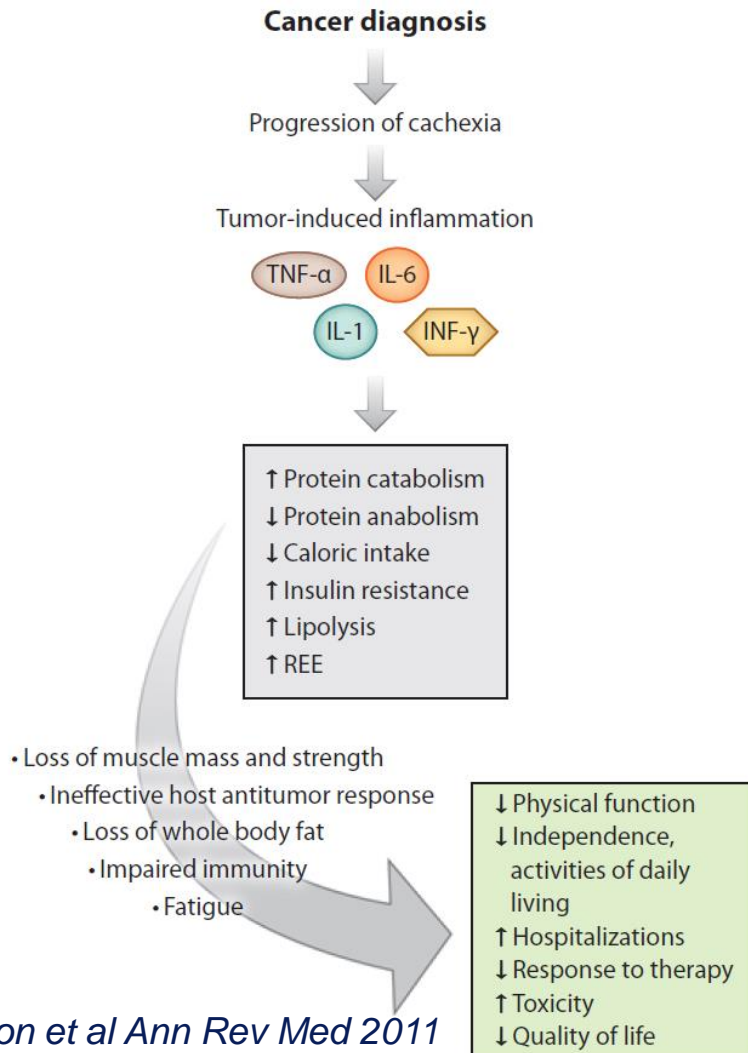
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*Importance of the gut barrier to keep  
Microbes « at bay »*

*Dysbiosis : alterations of gut microbiota  
composition/function*

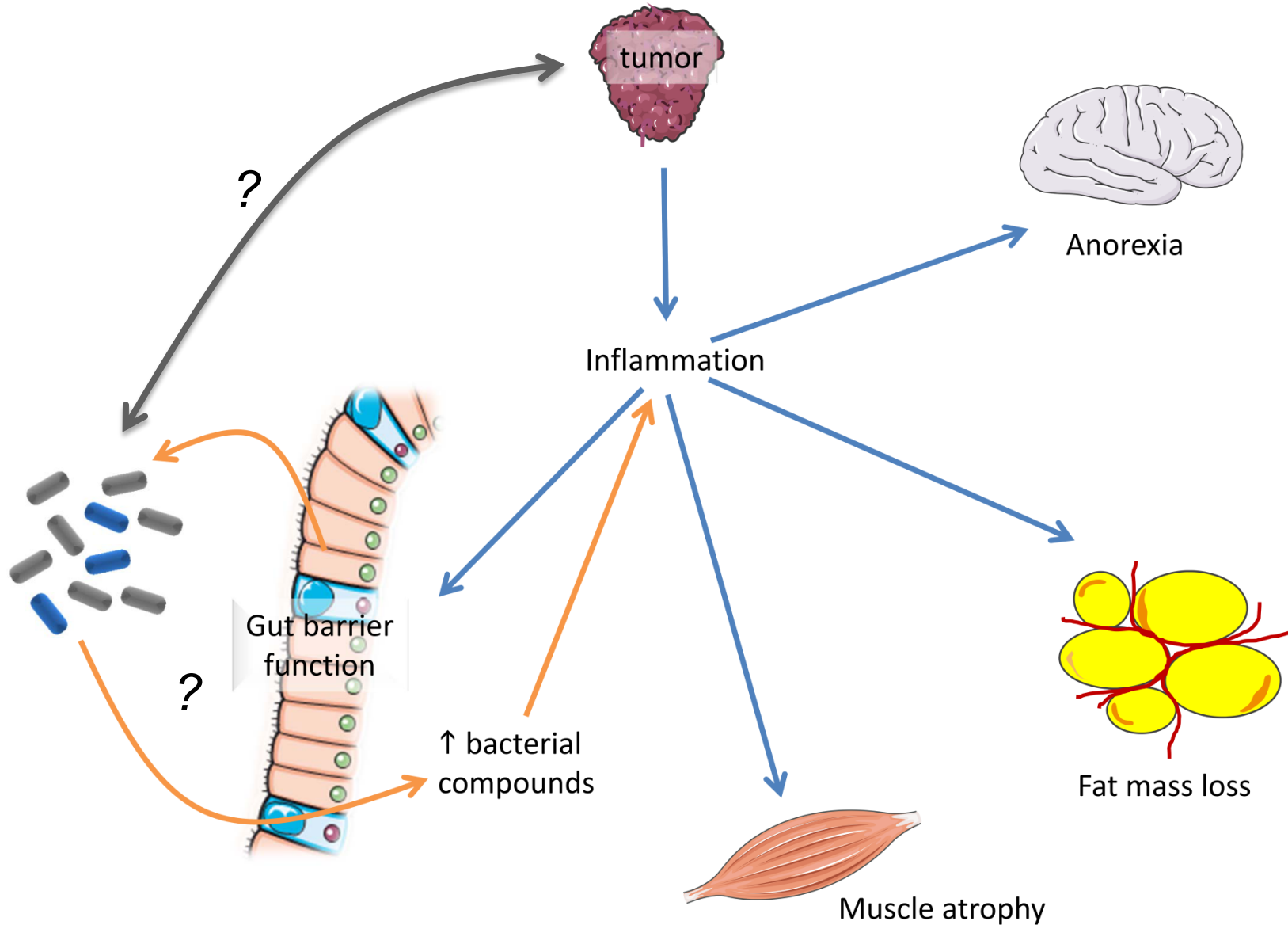
*Linked to host inflammation and/or energy metabolism*

# A role for gut microbiota in cancer-related malnutrition ?



- Cancer cachexia : loss of muscle and fat mass, with consequence on lifespan and quality of life.
- Not only due to radio-chemio-therapy, or appetite loss; also linked to inflammation.
- Frequent ; 50- 80 % cancer patients; associated with colon cancer and acute non-lymphocytic leukemia and chronic myeloid leukemia

# A link between gut microbial dysbiosis and cancer cachexia ?

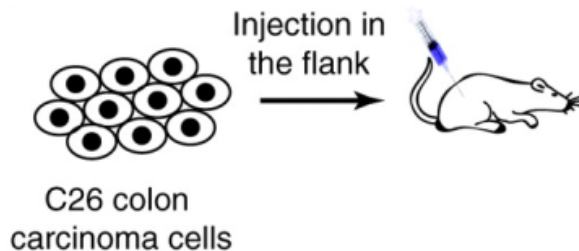


# Link between gut microbiota in cancer cachexia

## Experimental approach

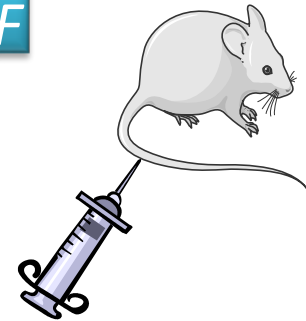
- Community-wide approach to characterize the gut microbiota in two mouse models of cancer cachexia (ectopic tumor transplantation)
- Rapid tumor development, linking to weight loss, with critical outcome from day 12-13

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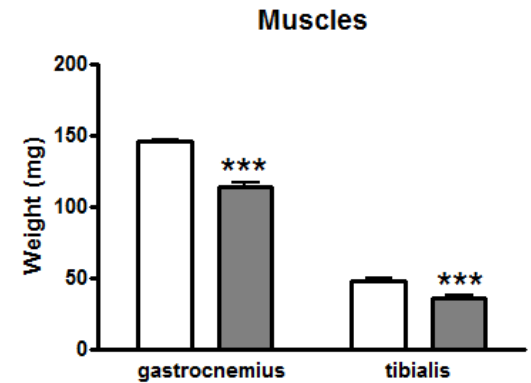
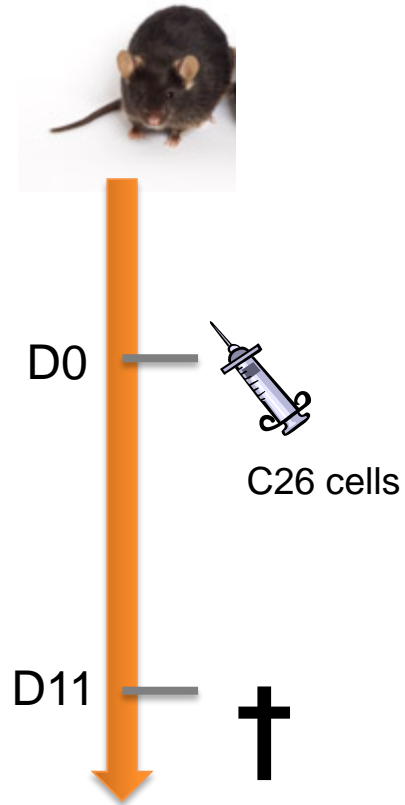
*Local development of tumor associated with cachexia*

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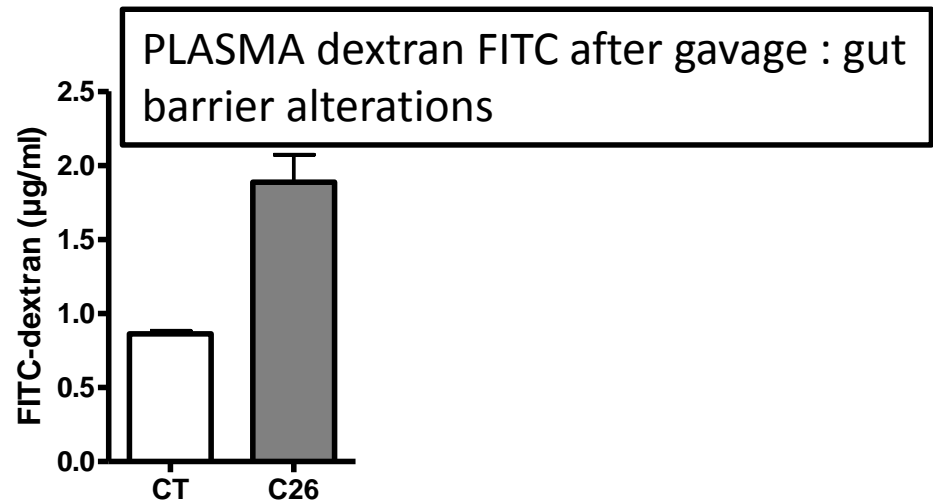
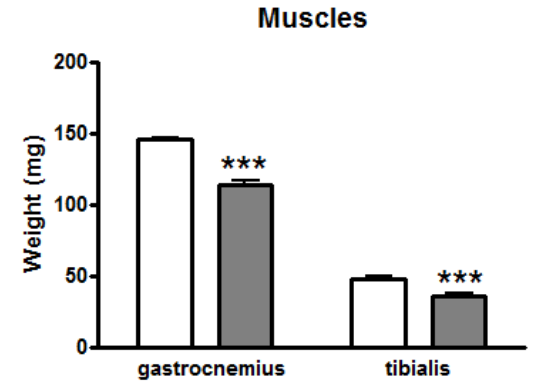
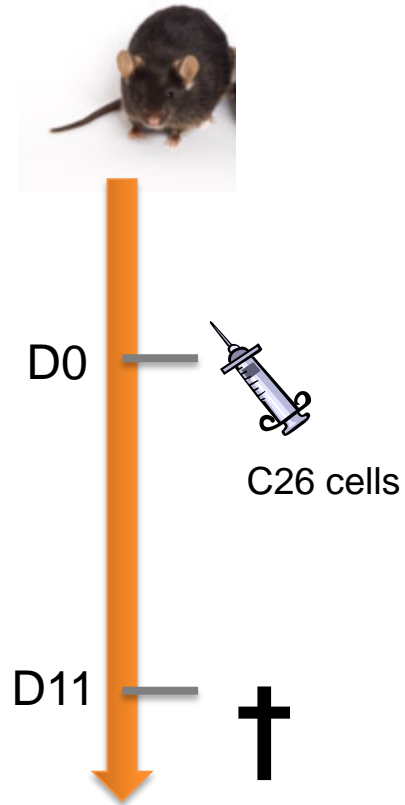


*BaF3 cells with Bcr-Abl  
Mimics leukemia  
Accumulation of tumor cells in the spleen and liver*

# Cancer cachexia C26 model

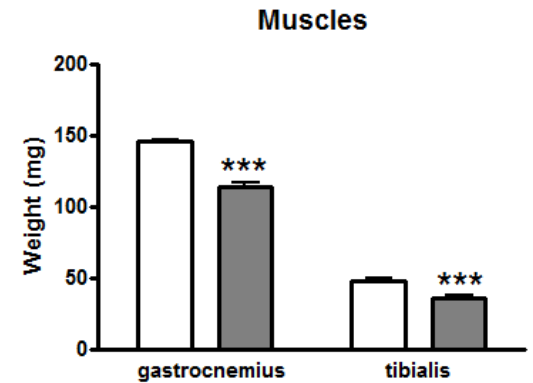
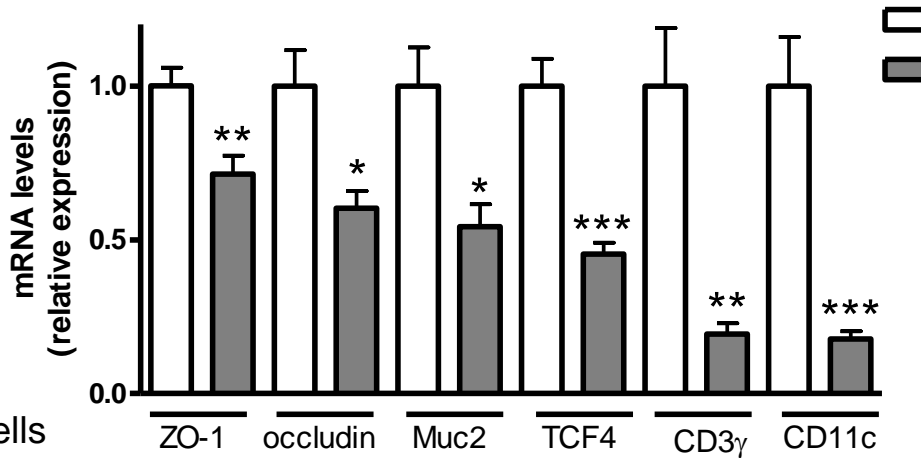


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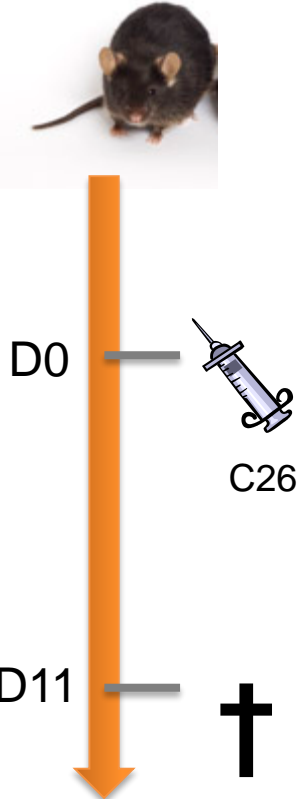
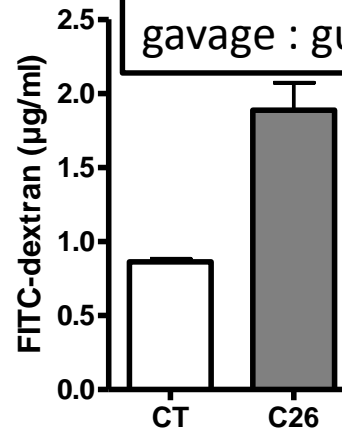


# Cancer cachexia C26 model

SMALL INTESTINE : gut function and immunity



PLASMA dextran FITC after gavage : gut permeability





# Cancer cachexia C26 model

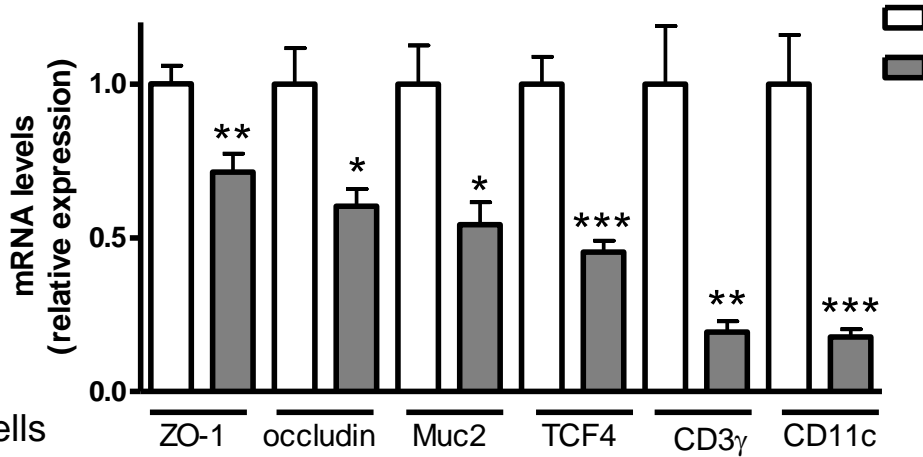


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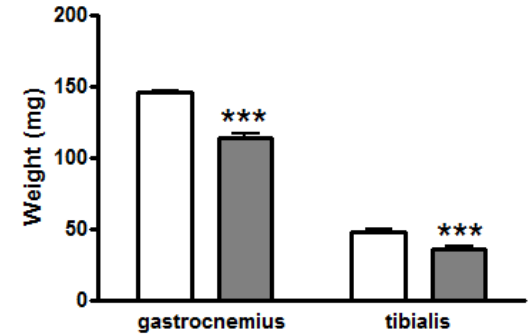


C26 cells

## SMALL INTESTINE

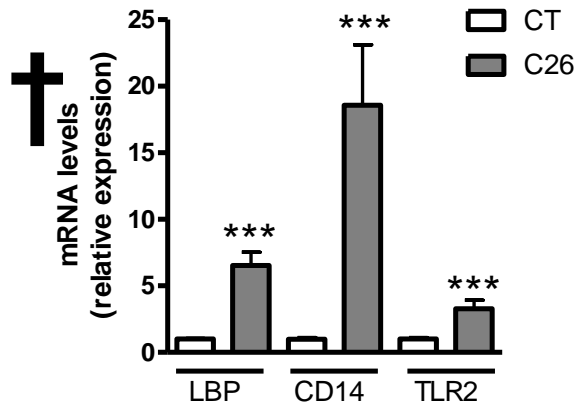


## Muscles

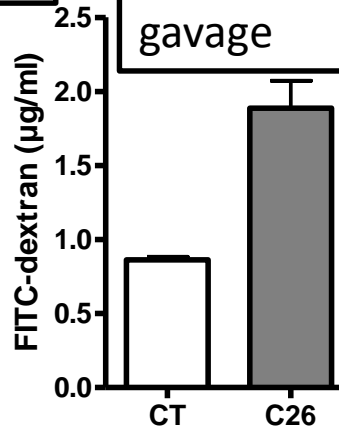


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## LIVER : (LPS) inflammation



## PLASMA dextran FITC after gavage



Changes in gut microbiota?

# Dysbiosis in cancer cachexia



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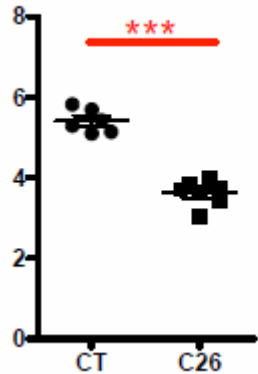
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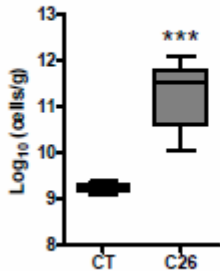


Shannon index



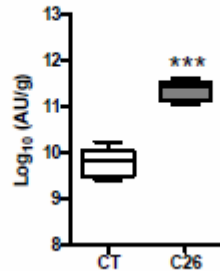
*Decreased diversity*

Enterobacteriaceae

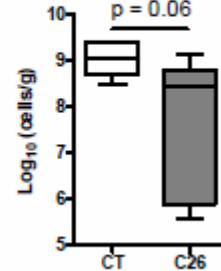


*Increased « pathobionts »*

*Parabacteroides goldsteinii*  
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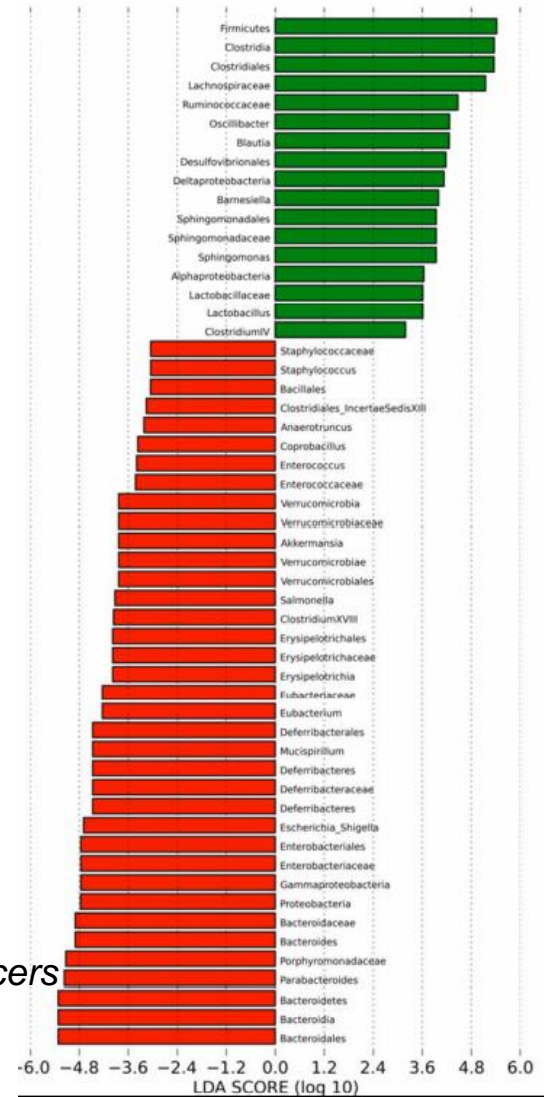


*Lactobacillus* spp.



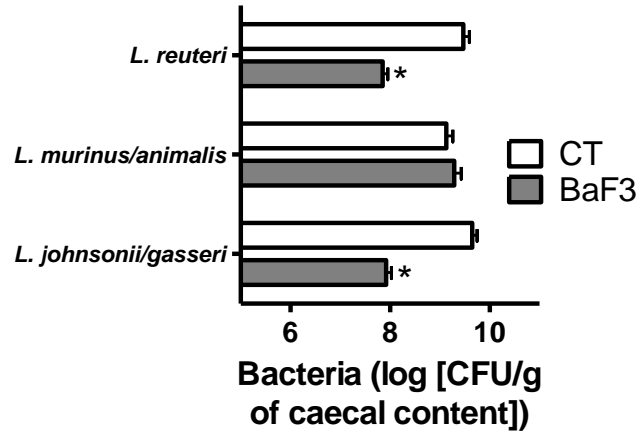
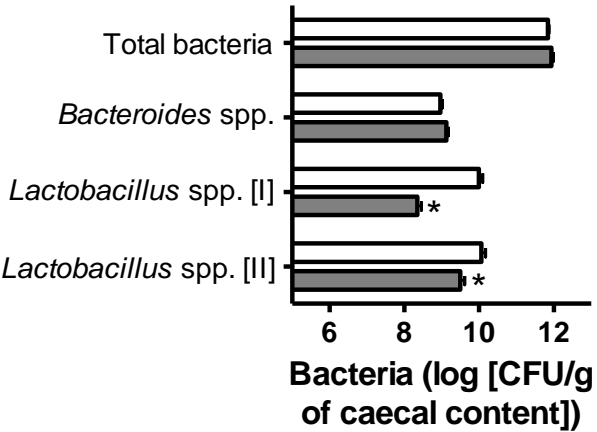
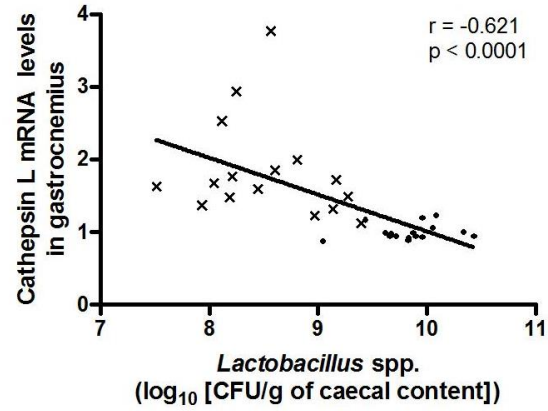
*Increased Lactic acid producers*

■ C26 ■ control



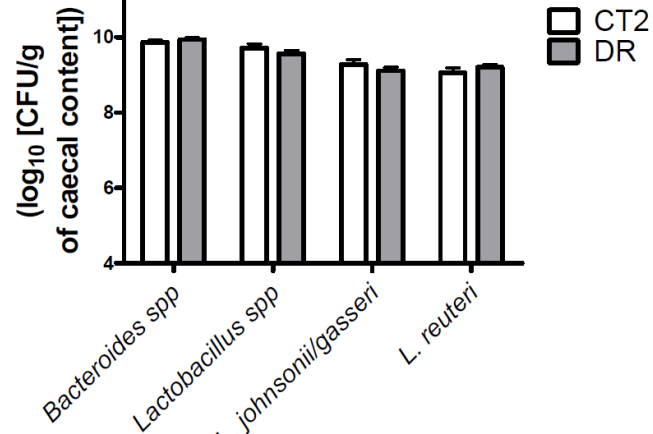
# Cancer cachexia linked to leukemia model

## Muscle atrophy

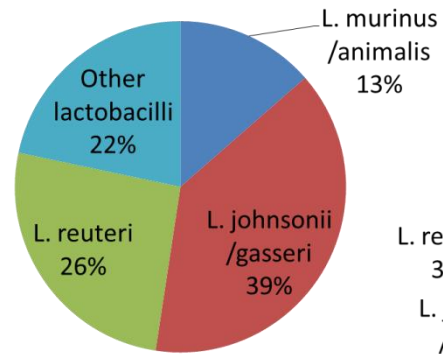


Bcr-Abl-expressing BaF3 cells

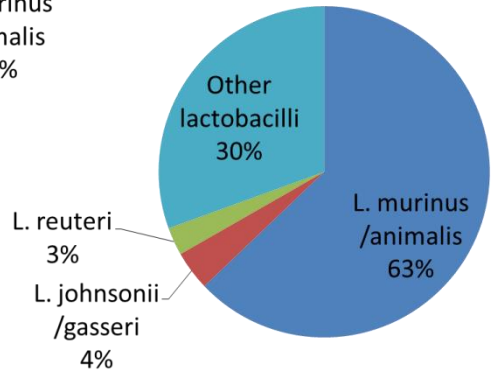
No effect of dietary restriction

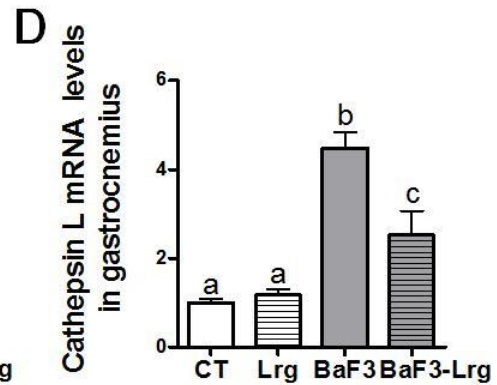
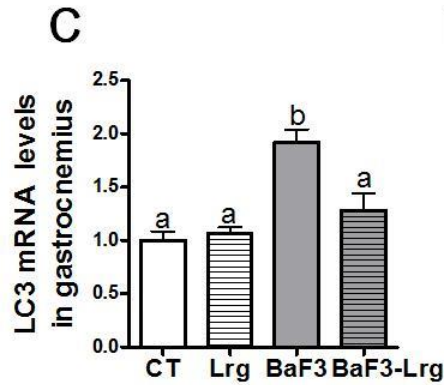
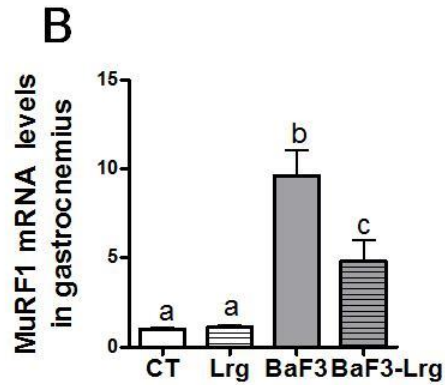
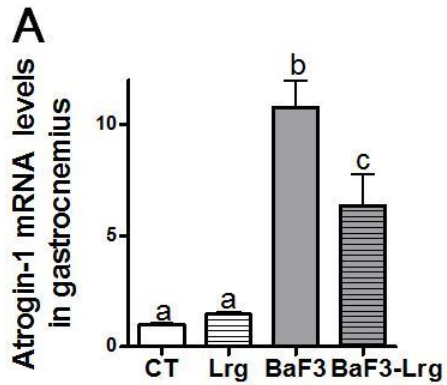


Lactobacillus spp. in CT mice



Lactobacillus spp. in BaF3 mice



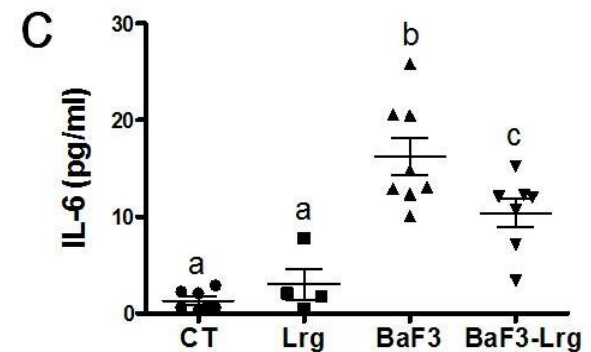
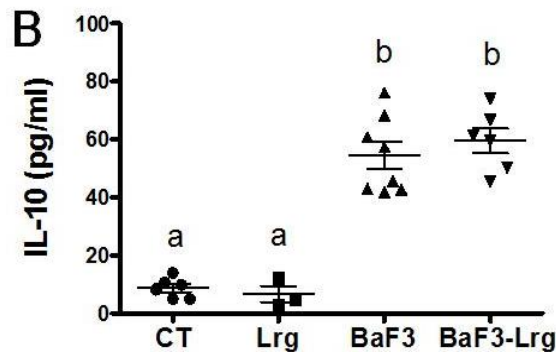
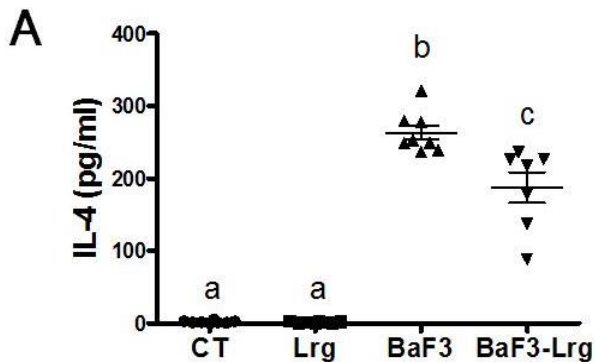


*improves muscle atrophy*

« Probiotic approach » *Lactobacillus reuteri* 100-23 +  
*Lactobacillus gasseri* 311476  $5 \times 10^8$  cfu  
 (BaF3 -Lrg group)



*modulates systemic inflammation*



# Probiotics & Prebiotics in cancer cachexia

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Probiotics: live microorganisms which, when administered in adequate amounts, confer a health benefit to the host.

i.e. *Lactobacilli*

FAO 2001; Hill et al, Nat Rev Gastroenterol Hepatol 2014



Prebiotics: non digestible compounds which stimulate the growth/activity of bacteria that confer health benefits to the host.

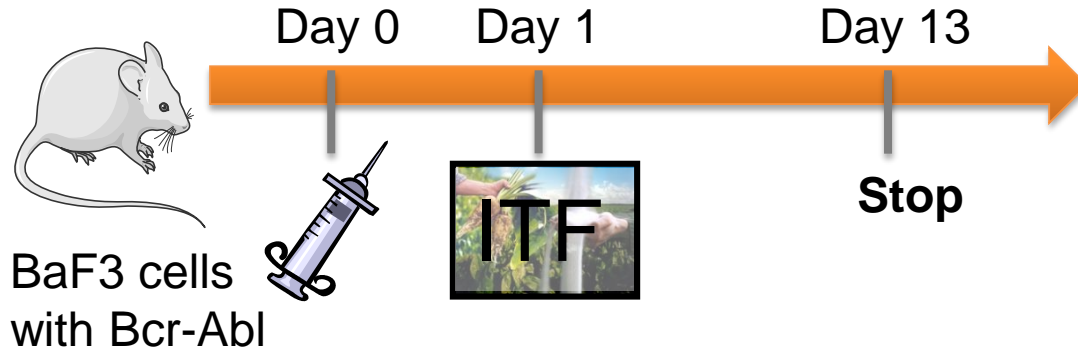
i.e. Inulin-type fructans : non digested, fermented by bacteria expressing beta-fructosidase (Bifidobacteria) into

gaz and short chain fatty acids

Roberfroid et al, Br J Nutr 2010; Bindels et al, Nat Rev Gastroenterol Hepatol 2015

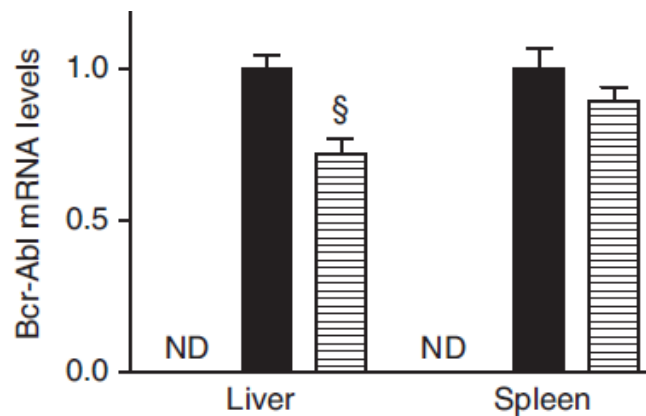


# Prebiotic approach : inulin-type fructans (ITF) added in the diet (5%)

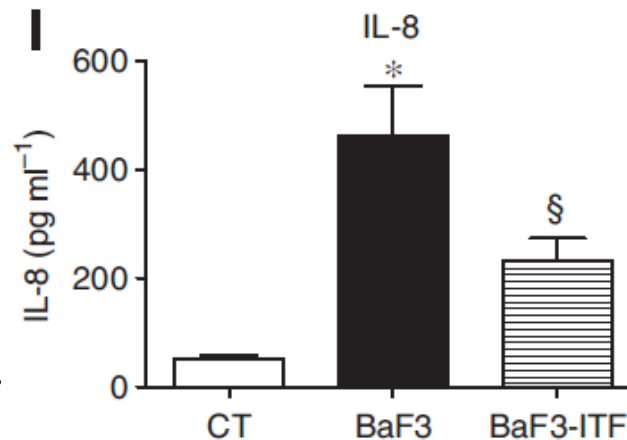


ITF has no effect on lactobacilli level, and does not change muscle atrophy but ....

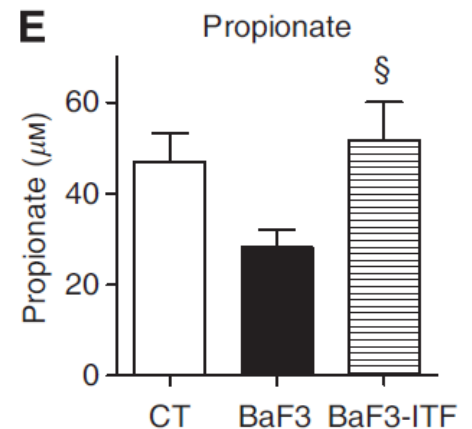
Decreases cancer cell proliferation in the liver



Decreases systemic inflammation

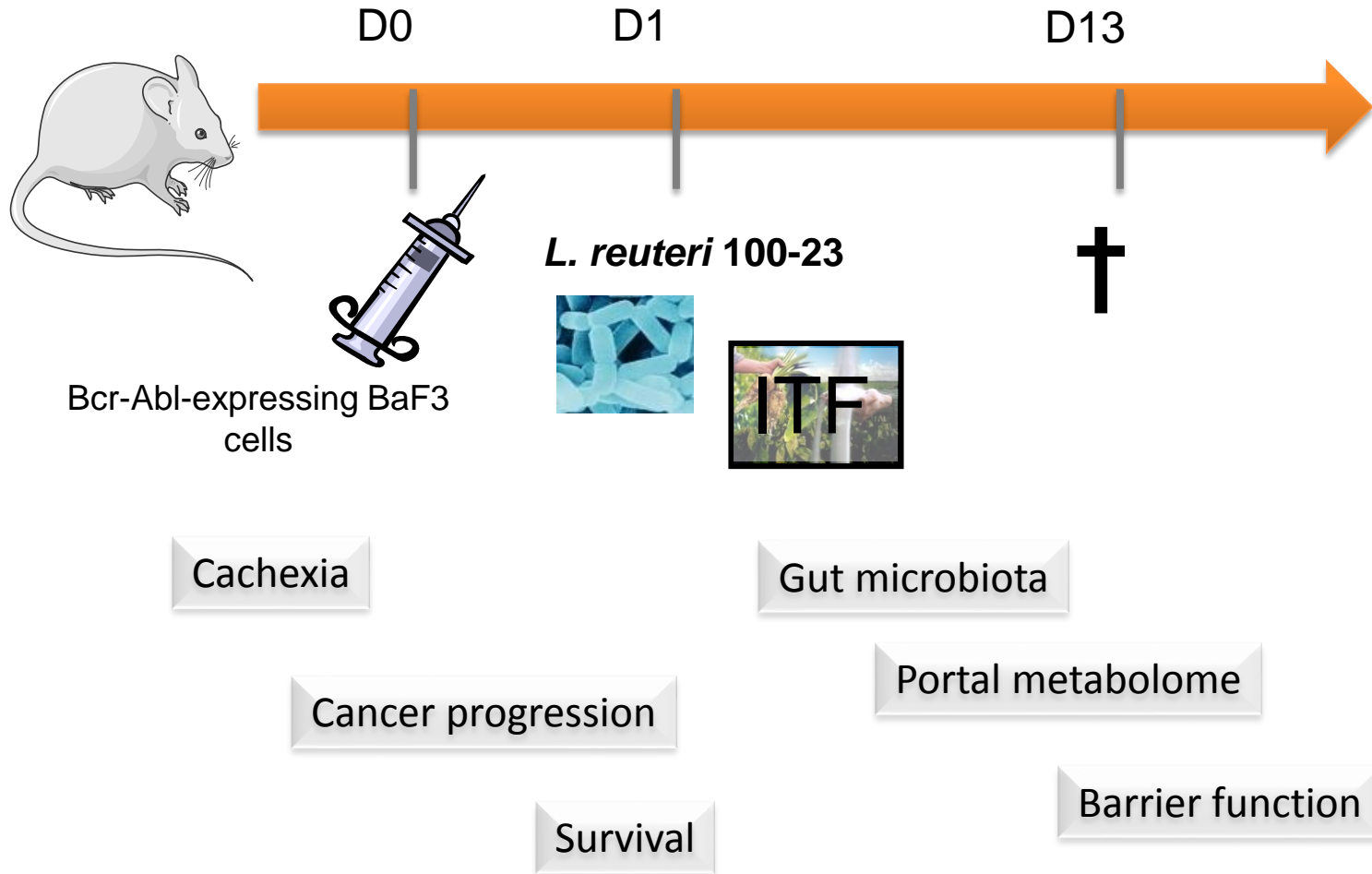


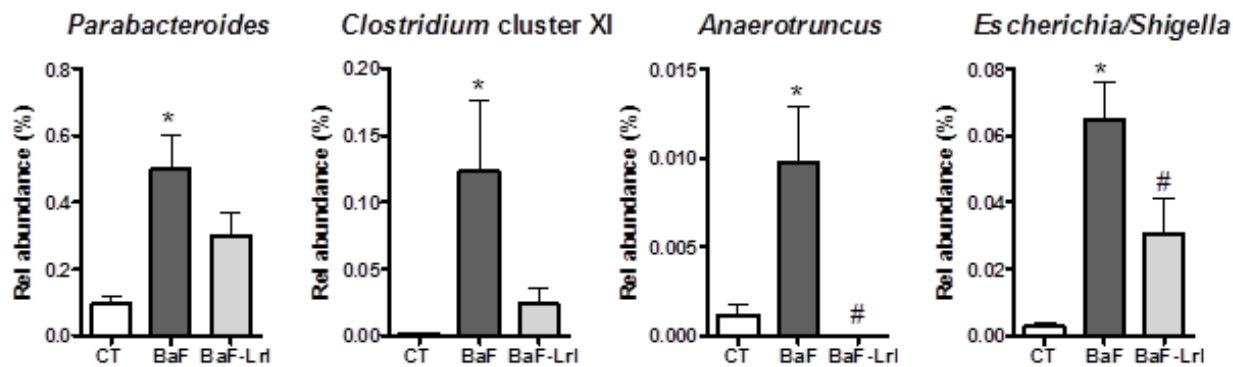
Increases portal propionate



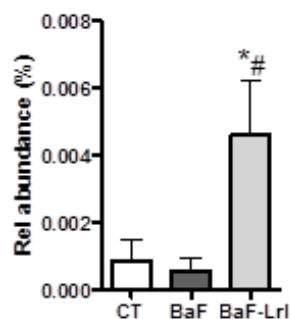
Propionate inhibits BaF3 cells proliferation *in vitro*

# Selected synbiotic approach

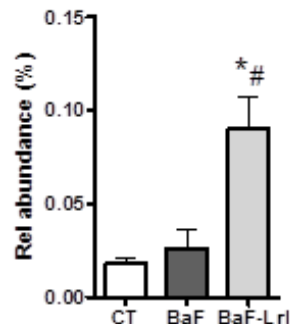




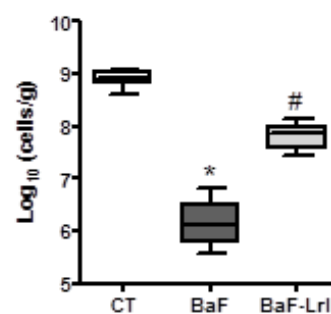
**Clostridium cluster XVIII**



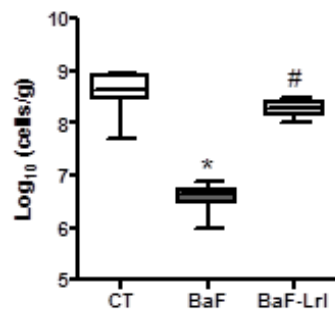
**SFB (OTU 185)**



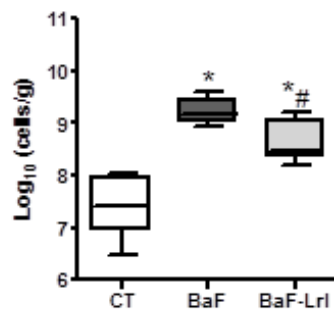
**Lactobacillus spp.**



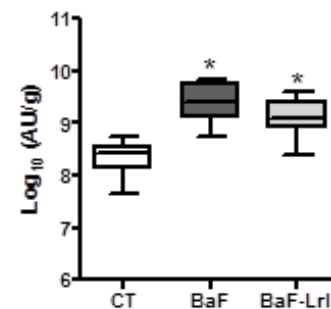
**L. reuteri**



**Enterobacteriaceae**

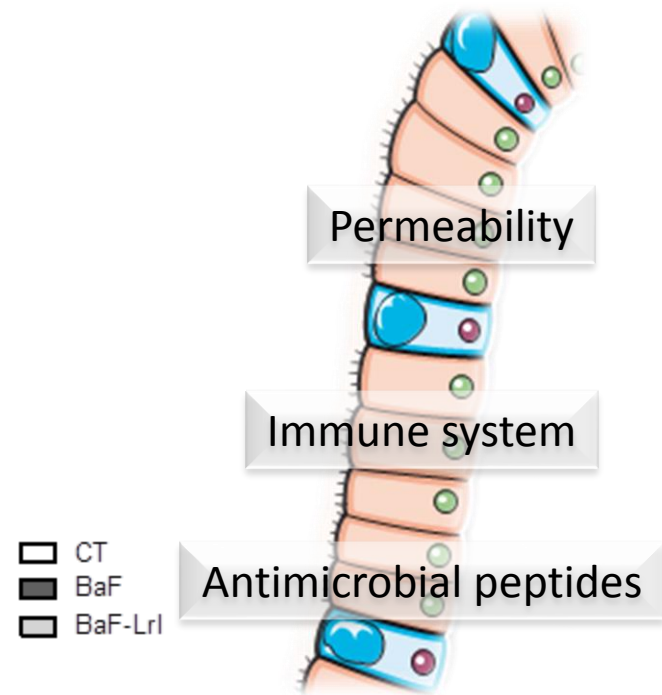
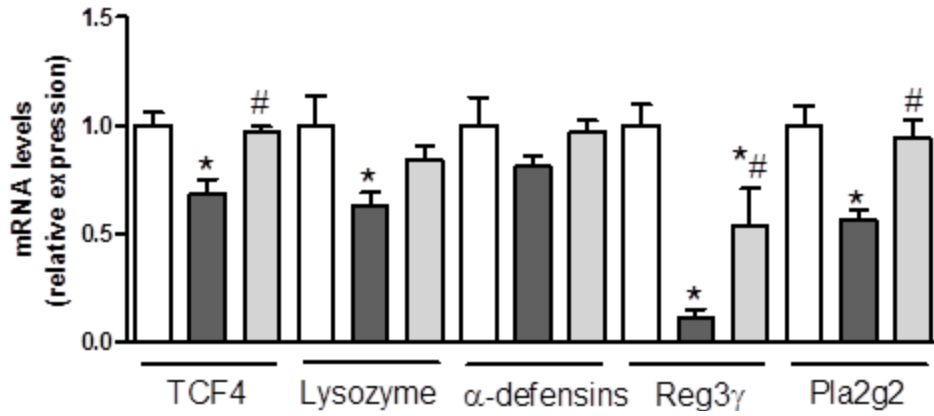


**Parabacteroides goldsteinii  
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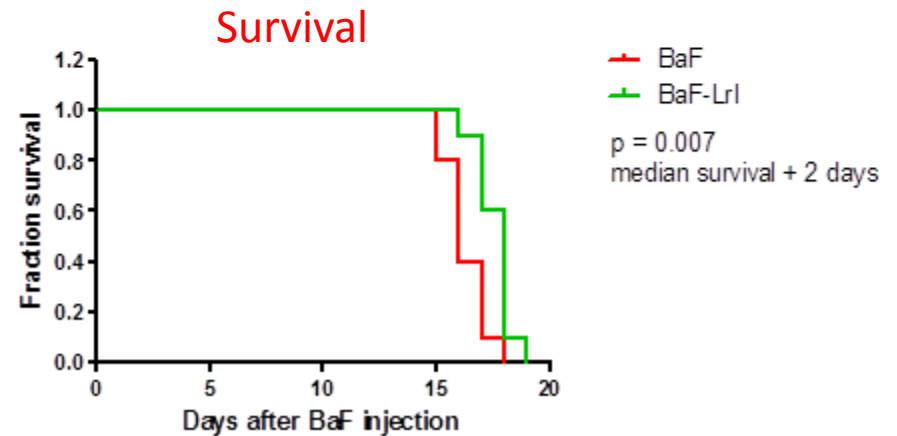
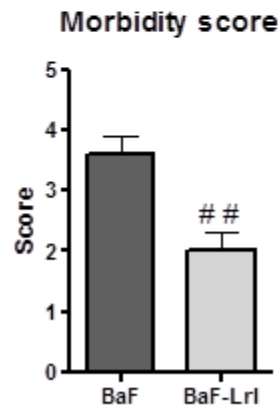
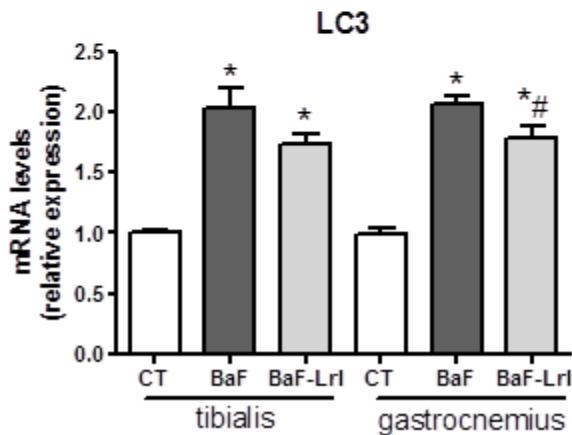
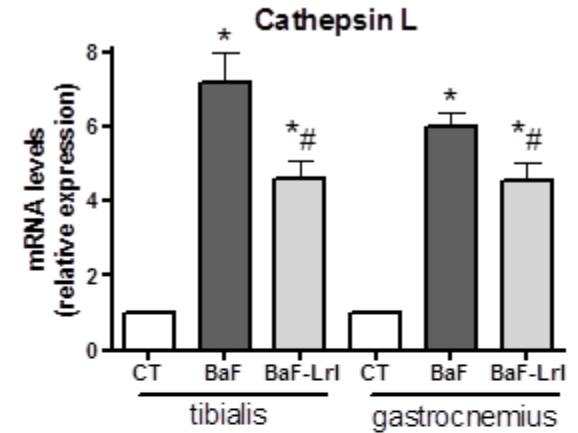
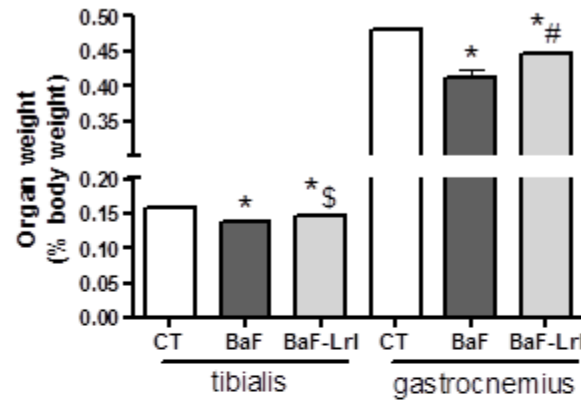
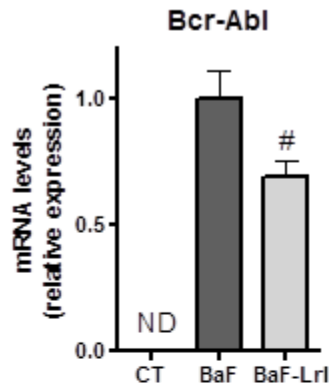
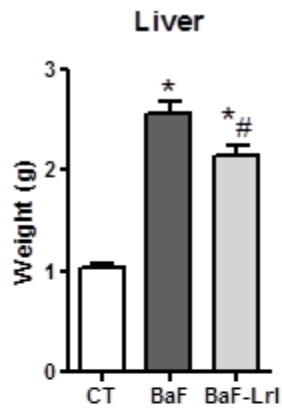
### Paneth cell differentiation and antimicrobials



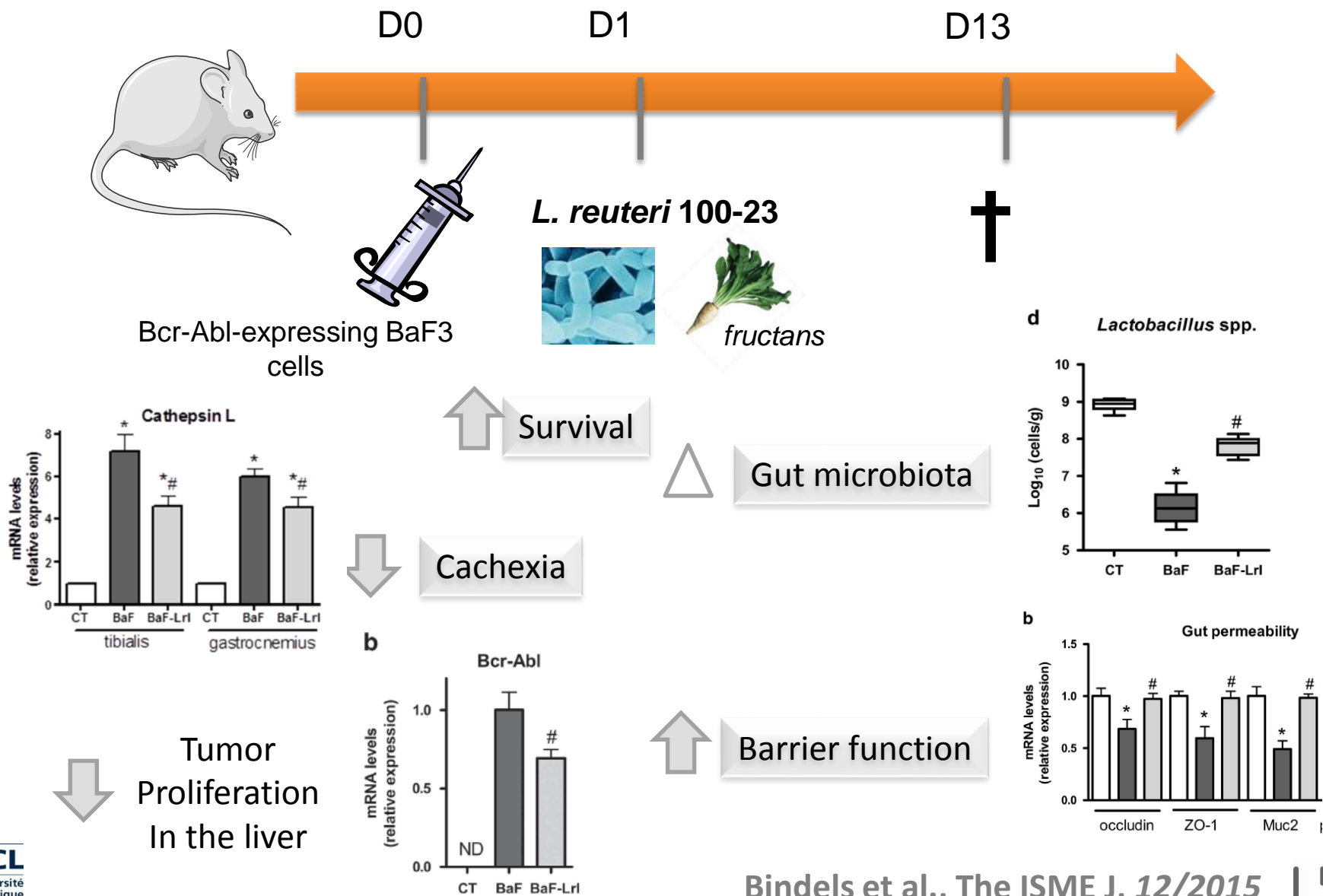
# Benefits of the « synbiotic » approach

Leukemic cell marker

Muscle weight



# Modulation of gut microbiota by probiotic and prebiotic controls cancer cachexia in a model of leukemia



# Novel prebiotics (pecto-oligosaccharides POS) avoid fat mass loss in cancer cachexia

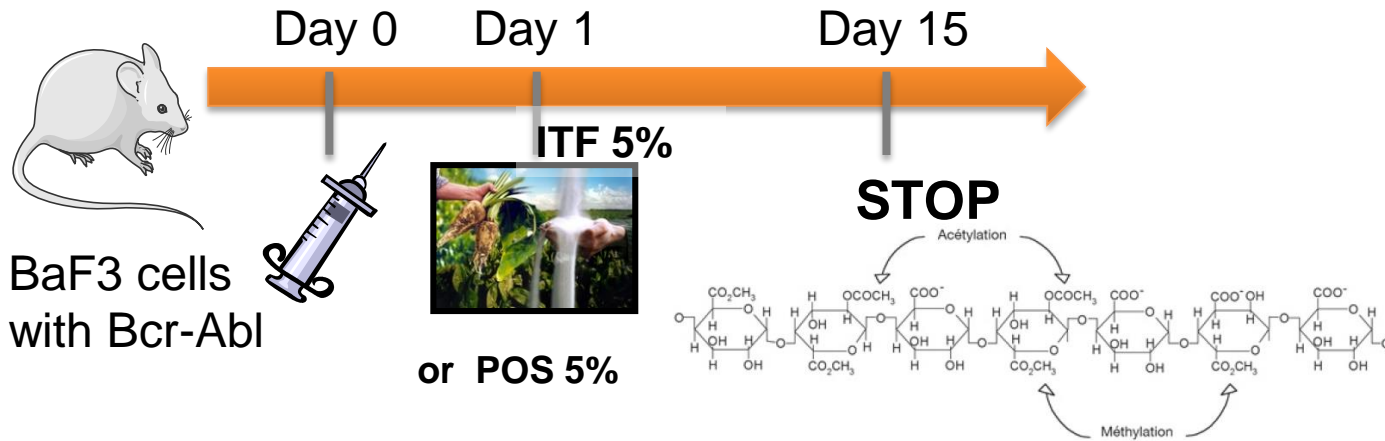
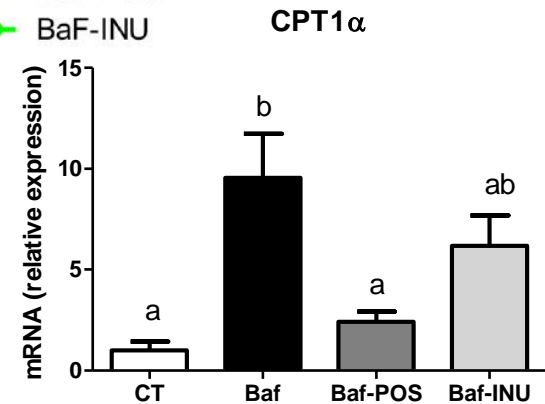
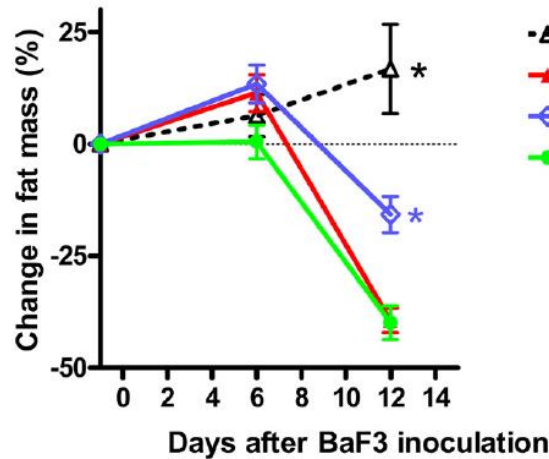
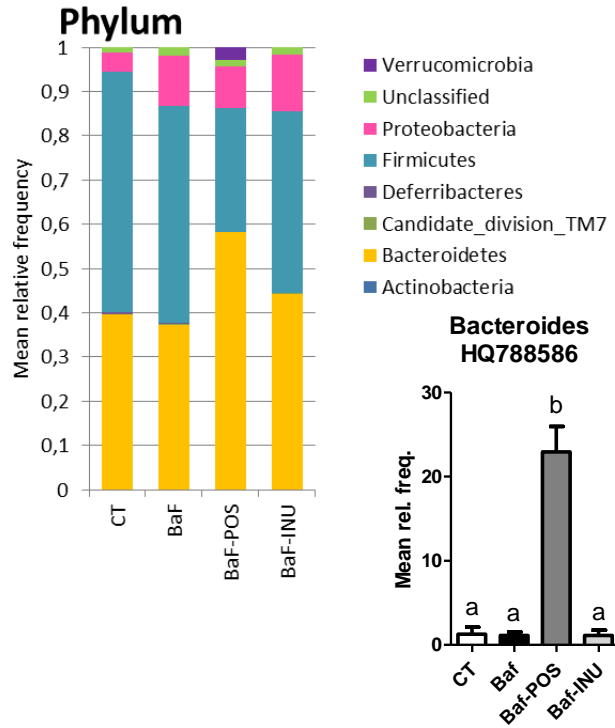


Figure 1. Structure primaire d'un homogalacturonane — Primary structure of a homogalacturonan.





## Summary, future prospects

- In models of cancer cachexia, common bacterial changes are observed (increase in *Enterobacteriaceae*, *Parabacteroides goldsteinii*, decrease in *Lactobacilli*, in richness and evenness, those changes being independent on food intake.
- Disturbances of the gut barrier function (incl. immunity), which could participate to the systemic inflammation and thereby influence host health.
- Experimental studies support the interest of probiotic and prebiotic approaches in this context.
- Future projects : focus on dysbiosis and inflammation in **patients** presenting acute myeloid leukemia – association with cachexia

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