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Acylcarnitines



Supplementary Figure 5. Retention times and measured features of acylcarnitines. The acyl chain length is marked with the red letters from C2 to C11. Carnitine, acylcarnitine, propionylcarnitine and isovalerylcarnitine were validated using authentic standards (level 1 identification). The other acylcarnitines were identified at level 3.



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msp_0172 Ruthenibacterium lactatiformans		1.6e-04 / ConD
msp_0066 Clostridium sp. AT4		4.8e-03 / ConD
msp_0024 Hungatella hathewayi 2		5.6e-03 / ConD
msp_0249 unclassified Firmicutes		6.7e-03 / ConD
msp 0619 unclassified		8.9e-03 / ConD
msp_0058 Ruminococcus gnavus		9.4e-03 / ConD
msp_0707 unclassified Firmicutes		1.1e-02 / ConD
msp_0713 Clostridium citroniae		1.1e-02 / ConD
msp_0056 unclassified Clostridiales		1.3e-02 / ConD
msp 0317 unclassified Clostridiales		1.4e-02 / ConD
msp_0331 Oscillibacter sp.		1.4e-02 / ConD
msp_0271 Eubacterium sp. CAG:180		1.4e-02 / ConD
msp_0126 Ruminococcus torques		1.5e-02 / ConD
msp_0027 Parabacteroides merdae		. 1.6e-02 / ConD
msp 1090 unclassified		1.6e-02 / ConD
msp_0132 Coprobacillus cateniformis		1.7e-02 / ConD
msp_0318 Alistipes indistinctus		1.9e-02 / ConD
msp_0014 Eisenbergiella tayi		1.9e-02 / ConD
msp_0510 Clostridium glycyrrnizinilyticum		2.2e-02 / ConD
msp 0364 Intestinimonas butvriciproducens		2.7e-02 / ConD
msp_0442 unclassified Flavonifractor		2.8e-02 / ConD
msp_0861 unclassified Oscillibacter		3.2e-02 / ConD
msp_0230 Allistipes inops		- 3.2e-02 / ConD
msp_1012 Intestinimonas massiliensis		3.3e-02 / ConD
msp 0522 Anaerotruncus colihominis		- 3.4e-02 / ConD
msp_0103 Clostridium innocuum		3.4e-02 / ConD
msp_0020 Clostridium clostridioforme 1		- 3.6e-02 / ConD
msp_0353 unclassified		4.2e-02 / ConD
msp_1541 unclassified Clostridiales		4.2e-02 / ConD
msp_1724 Photee massilensis		4.5e-02 / ConD
msp_0881 Haemophilus parainfluenzae		9.1e-06 / MedD
msp_0388 Faecalibacterium prausnitzii 3 (L2-6)		9.8e-05 / MedD
msp_0884 Veillonella atypica		2.3e-04 / MedD
msp_1643c Ruminococcus sp_JC304		5 2e-04 / MedD
msp_0979 unclassified		1.6e-03 / MedD
msp_0906 Clostridium sp.		1.9e-03 / MedD
msp_0285 Clostridium sp. CAG:217	-	2.1e-03 / MedD
msp_0164 Ruminococcus sp. msp_0313 Voillopella panula		2.4e-03 / MedD
msp_0930 unclassified Lachnospiraceae		2.9e-03 / MedD
msp_1219 Veillonella rogosae		3e-03 / MedD
msp_0189 Blautia sp. CAG:237		3.7e-03 / MedD
msp_0265 unclassified Faecalibacterium		3.7e-03 / MedD
msp_0146c veilionella dispar		5.8e-03 / MedD
msp_0296 unclassified Lachnospiraceae		6.6e-03 / MedD
msp_0898 unclassified Firmicutes		6.7e-03 / MedD
msp_0468 unclassified Clostridiales		7.9e-03 / MedD
msp_0029 Eubacterium eligens		9.3e-03 / MedD
msp_0009 Faecalibacterium pradshitzir o		. 1 1e-02 / MedD
msp_0301 Faecalibacterium prausnitzii 1 (A2-165)		1.1e-02 / MedD
msp_0075 Clostridium sp.		1.1e-02 / MedD
msp_0820 unclassified Clostridiales		1.4e-02 / MedD
msp_04/3c Clostridium sp.		2.3e-02 / MedD
msp_0679 unclassified Firmicutes		2.4e-02 / MedD
msp_0572 Lachnospira sp.		2.5e-02 / MedD
msp_0015 Roseburia faecis		2.6e-02 / MedD
msp_0068 Eubacterium rectale		2.6e-02 / MedD
msp_001/ Koseburia intestinalis msp_0563 unclassified Clostridium		- 2.6e-02 / MedD
msp_0125 unclassified Clostridiales		- 3.7e-02 / MedD
msp_1302 unclassified Firmicutes		3.9e-02 / MedD
msp_0986 Coprococcus catus		3.9e-02 / MedD
msp_0086 Clostridium symbiosum		4e-02 / MedD
msp_1145 unclassified Oscillibacter msp_1339 Gordonibacter urolithinfaciens		4.1e-02 / MedD
msp_0227 Eubacterium sp. 36_13 & CAG:86		4.3e-02 / MedD
msp_0133 Coprococcus sp.		4.9e-02 / MedD

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msp_0263 Bifidobacterium adolescentis		1.2e-02 / ConD
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msp_0112 Blautia hydrogenotrophica		1.4e-02 / ConD
msp_0052 Blautia sp. CAG:257		1.6e-02 / ConD
msp_0066 Clostridium sp. AT4		2.5e-02 / ConD
msp_1724 Phocea massiliensis		2.7e-02 / ConD
msp_0005 Escherichia coli		2.8e-02 / ConD
msp_0259 Coprococcus comes		2.8e-02 / ConD
msp_0056 unclassified Clostridiales		3.5e-02 / ConD
msp_0103 Clostridium innocuum		3.6e-02 / ConD
msp_0707 unclassified Firmicutes		4e-02 / ConD
msp_1244 Collinsella aerofaciens		4e-02 / ConD
msp_0881 Haemophilus parainfluenzae		1.5e-04 / MedD
msp_0906 Clostridium sp.		3.8e-04 / MedD
msp_0457 Faecalibacterium sp. CAG:82		2.1e-03 / MedD
msp_0820 unclassified Clostridiales		2.5e-03 / MedD
msp_0388 Faecalibacterium prausnitzii 3 (L2-6)		2.5e-03 / MedD
msp_1643c Ruminococcus sp. JC304		2.7e-03 / MedD
msp_0979 unclassified		3.4e-03 / MedD
msp_0164 Ruminococcus sp.		4.1e-03 / MedD
msp_0265 unclassified Faecalibacterium		4.5e-03 / MedD
msp_0029 Eubactenum engens		4.0e-03 / MedD
msp_0073 Clostridium sp.		7 10 03 / ModD
msp_16/1 upclassified Lachpospiracoap		8 20-03 / MedD
msp_1041 unclassified Lacinospiraceae		1 1e-02 / MedD
msp_0200 Clostificitin sp. CAC.217		1.7e-02 / MedD
msp_1219 \/eillopella rogosae		1.2e-02 / MedD
msp_0071 Roseburia hominis		1 2e-02 / MedD
msp_0017 Roseburia intestinalis		1 4e-02 / MedD
msp_0679 unclassified Eirmicutes		1.40 02 / MedD
msp_0639 Faecalibacterium prauspitzii 6		2e-02 / MedD
msp_0189 Blautia sp. CAG:237		2.5e-02 / MedD
msp_0313 Veillonella parvula		3.1e-02 / MedD
msp 0860 unclassified Intestinibacter		4.2e-02 / MedD
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Supplementary material



Supplementary Figure 30 Distinctive metabolites, dietary and microbial signatures between ConD and MedD diets at 4 weeks. Spearman correlations of contrasted MSP species with metabolites, GMM modules and nutrients at 4w. Rows, complete list of contrasted MSP at 4w between ConD and MedD diets ($p \le 0.05$); Columns; contrasted annotated metabolites, contrasted GMM functional modules and nutrients data. Coloured-text referred to enrichment status (orange; ConD, green; MedD). Adjustments were performed using the Benjamini-Hochberg procedure and Spearman rho values were filtered by keeping correlations with at least one FDR ≤ 0.05 . Solid dot, FDR ≤ 0.05 ; Open dot, FDR ≤ 0.2 .



Supplementary Figure 31 N-integrative supervised analysis of different types of 'omics datasets. The DIABLO model for the discrimination of ConD and MedD groups is displayed as sample plot per single 'omic level. (A) Overall microbiota composition, (B) gut metabolic modules, (C)

clinical variables and metabolome single-omic levels are reported along with (D) co-inertia analysis quantifying the co-variability between the three multi-omics datasets. Shapes represent the projected coordinates of each subject. The centroid for a given sample between all 'omics datasets is indicated by the start of the arrow and the location of the same sample in each dataset by the tips of the arrows. The length of the arrow is proportional to the divergence between data from different blocks. The percentage of total explained variance describing the separation of the groups on the first two components are displayed on the x and y axis, respectively. Green triangles, MedD subjects. Orange circles, ConD subjects. The integration of meta-omics products was associated with an increase in classification accuracies in discriminating between the ConD and MedD groups with respect to the cases in which a single data type was used. The AUC increased to 0.92 (from 0.88) when using metabolomics data only and to 0.90 (from 0.87) when comparing the ConD and MedD groups at 4 weeks and 8 weeks, respectively.



Supplementary Figure 32 Correlation of microbiome-related metabolites with dietary and clinical variables. Heatmap showing hierarchical Ward-linkage clustering of microbiome-related metabolites based on Spearman's correlation with dietary variables and clinical parameters. The colour scale represents the scaled version of Spearman's rho coefficients, with red indicating negative and blue indicating positive correlations. BAs, bile acids; CDCA, Chenodeoxycholic acid; MCA, Muricholic acid; DCA, Deoxycholic acid; GCDCA, Glycochenodeoxycholic acid; GDCA, Glychodeoxycholic acid; LCA, Lithocholic acid; UDCA, Ursodeoxycholic acid; SCFA, short-chain fatty acids; BCAA, branched-chain amino acids. TMAO, trimethylamine oxide; GLP-1, glucagon-like peptide-1; GIP, glucose-dependent insulinotropic peptide. VP/AP, Vegetable Protein/Animal Protein; PUFA, polyunsaturated fatty acid; MUFA, monounsaturated fatty acids; SFA, saturated fatty acids; WG, whole grain; CP, cereal products. Adjustments were performed using the the Benjamini-Hochberg procedure and Spearman rho values were filtered by keeping correlations with at least one FDR \leq 0.05, **FDR<0.01 and ***FDR<0.001).



Supplementary Figure 33 Box plots showing faecal concentrations of several BAs measured throughout the intervention. (A) Total BAs, (B) Total primary BAs, (C) Total secondary BAs, (D) Cholic acid, (E) Chenodeoxycholic acid, (F) Deoxycholic acid, (G) Glycochenodeoxycholic acid, (H) Glychodeoxycholic acid, (I) Lithocholic acid and, (L) Muricholic acid, (M) Ursodeoxycholic acid. Orange indicates ConD while green colour refers to MedD subjects, respectively. P values indicate paired Wilcoxon rank-sum tests within each group. Baseline, 0 weeks; 4w, 4 weeks; 8w, 8 weeks of intervention.



Supplementary Figure 34 Box plots showing differences in (A) HOMA variation classifying the subjects in HOMA reducers (Yellow) and non-reducers (Dark gold) after 4 weeks of intervention. Differences in levels of (B) *Prevotella* sp. and (C) *Prevotella copri* 1 in HOMA reducers and non-reducers. Statistical differences between groups were determined using unpaired Wilcoxon rank-sum tests. Baseline, 0 weeks; 4w, 4 weeks; 8w, 8 weeks of intervention.



Supplementary Figure 35 Box plots showing differences in abundance of Co-Abundance Groups (CAGs) obtained from 16S rRNA gene sequences in subjects classified as HOMA reducers (Yellow) and non-reducers (Dark gold) after 4 weeks of intervention. Statistical differences between groups were determined using unpaired Wilcoxon rank-sum tests. Baseline, 0 weeks; 4w, 4 weeks; 8w, 8 weeks of intervention. Only (A) CAG2 and (B) CAG4 are reported, since no significant variation was found for the others.



Supplementary Figure 36 Circular tree showing clustering of the subjects based on *Faecalibacterium prausnitzii* pangenome. Subjects are coloured according to dietary treatment and time-points. Coloured ring indicates the quartile of highest (green) versus lowest (cyan) increase of dietary fibre intake. Subjects not falling in the highest or lowest quartile were coloured in grey. Yellow stars or dark gold dots indicate HOMA reducers and non-reducers

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