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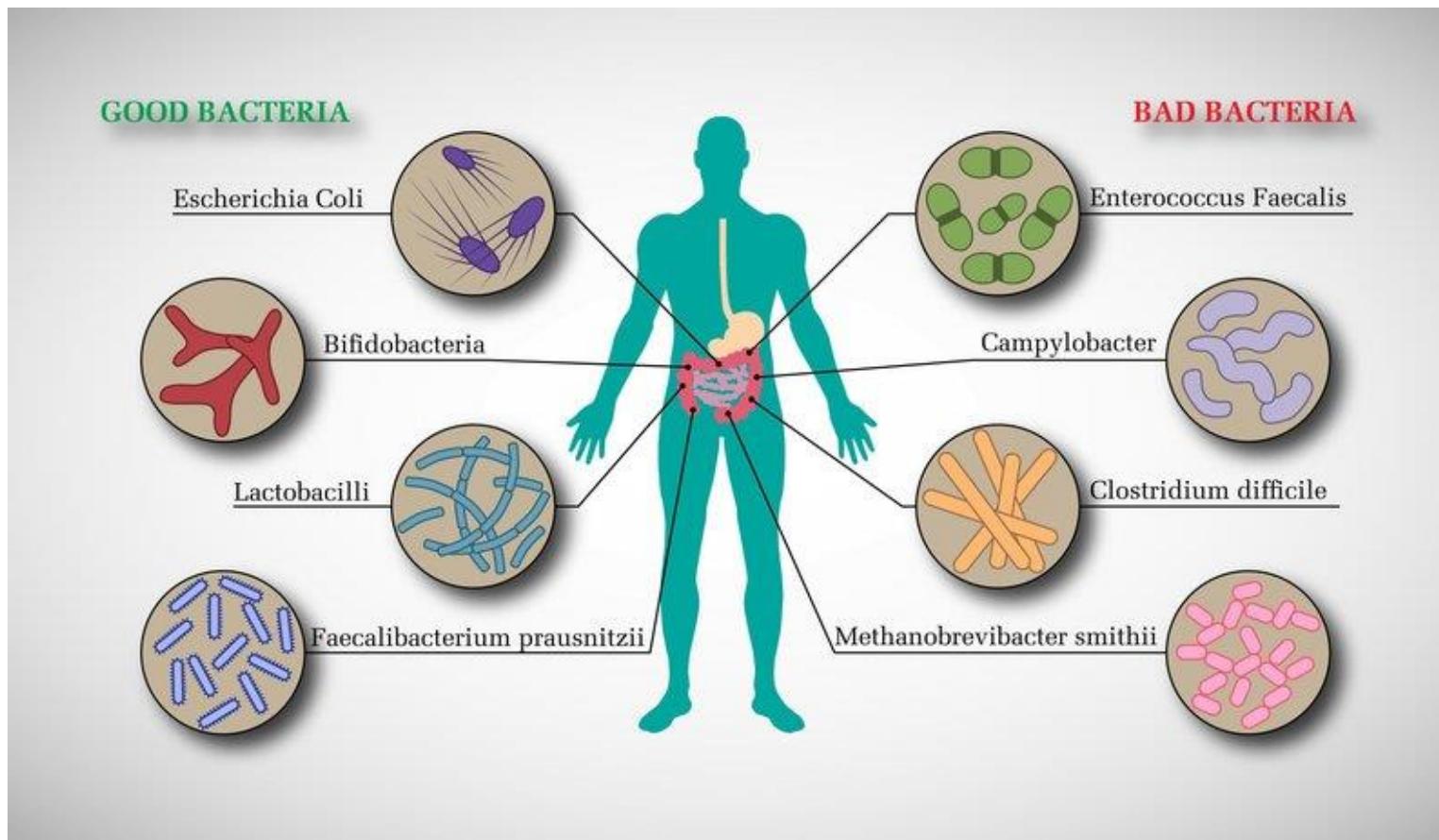
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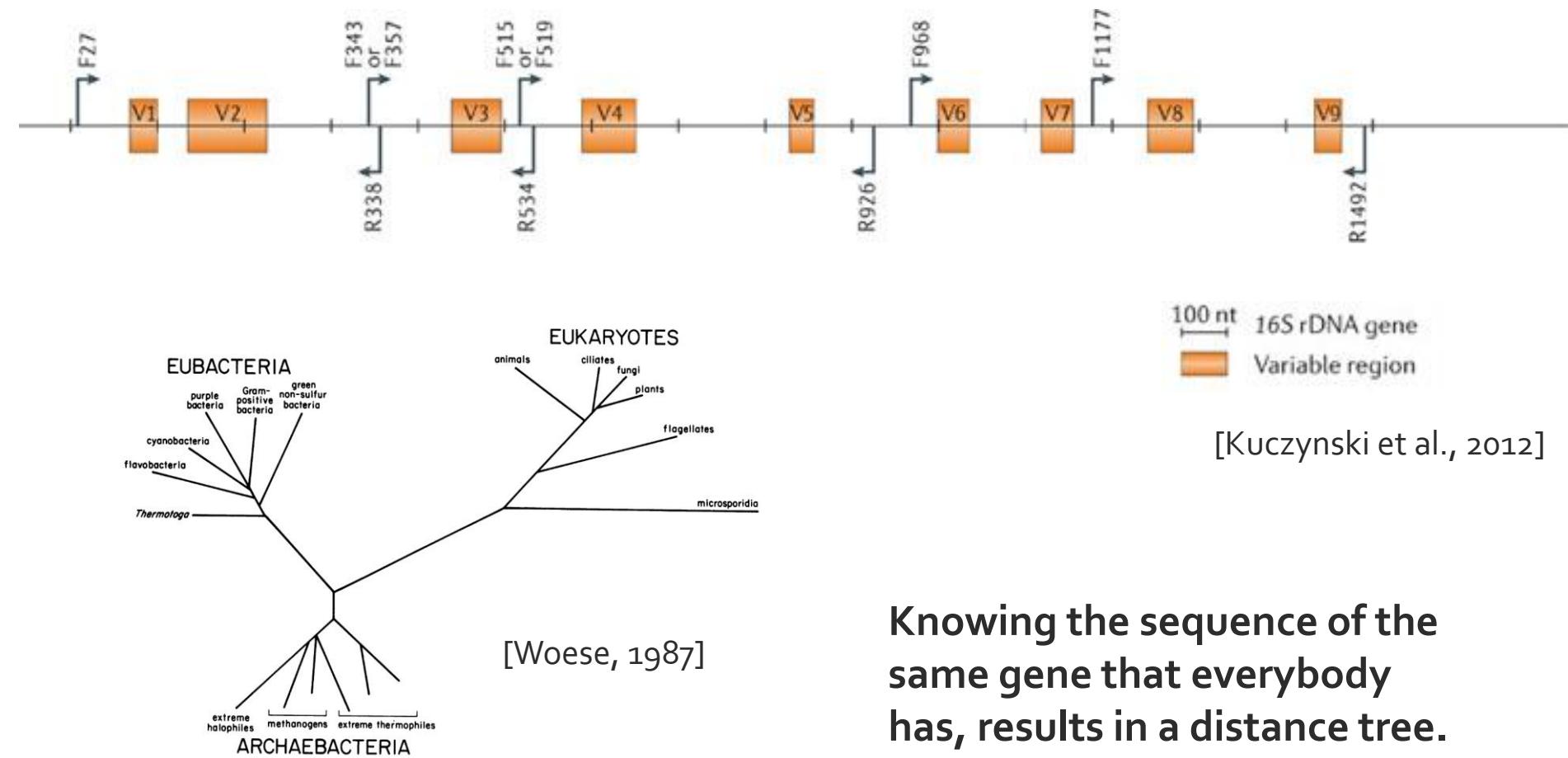
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GUT MICROBIOTA



How to identify organisms or the 16S rRNA gene

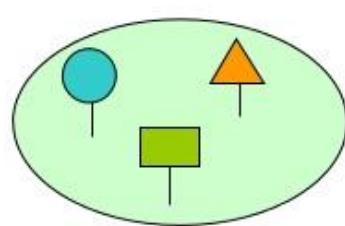


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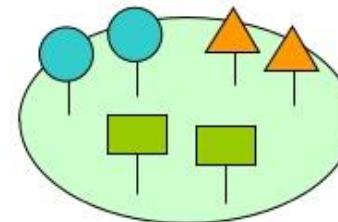
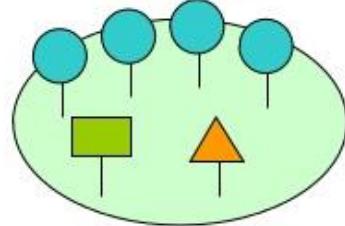
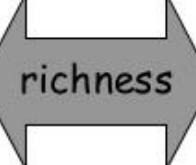
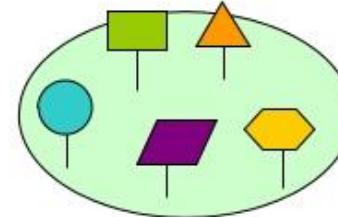
How many different microbial species could be detected in one sample?

Diversity: richness and evenness

Less diverse

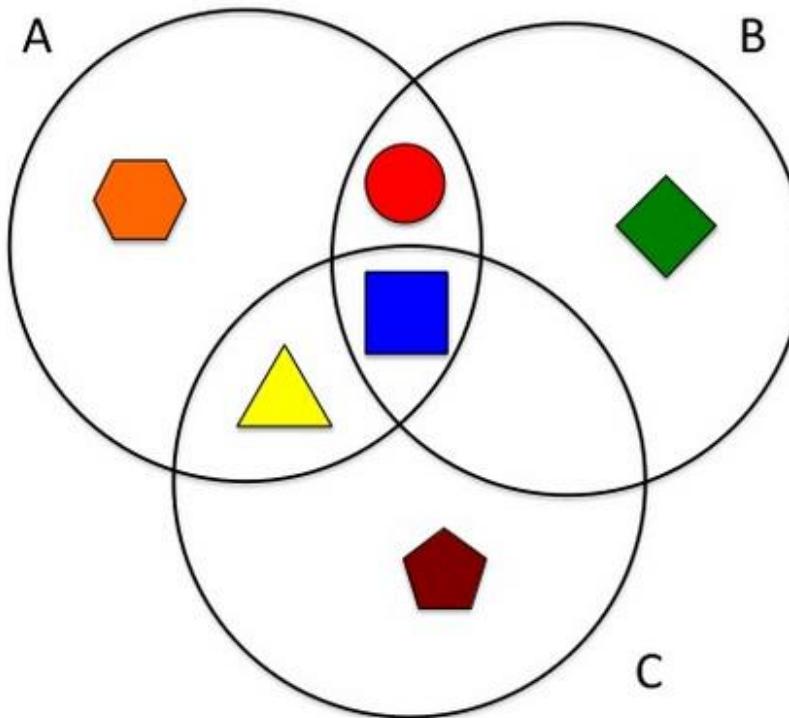


More diverse

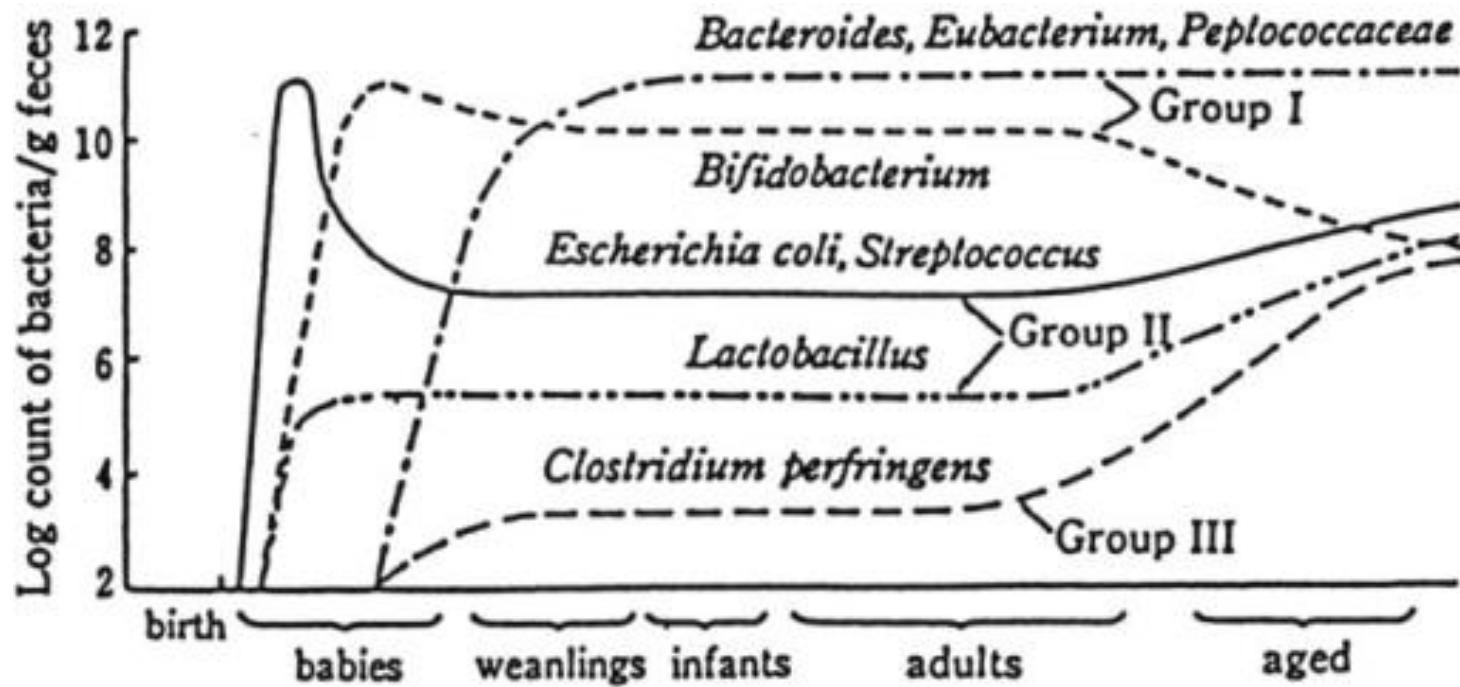


β -DIVERSITY

How different is the microbial composition in one environment compared to another?



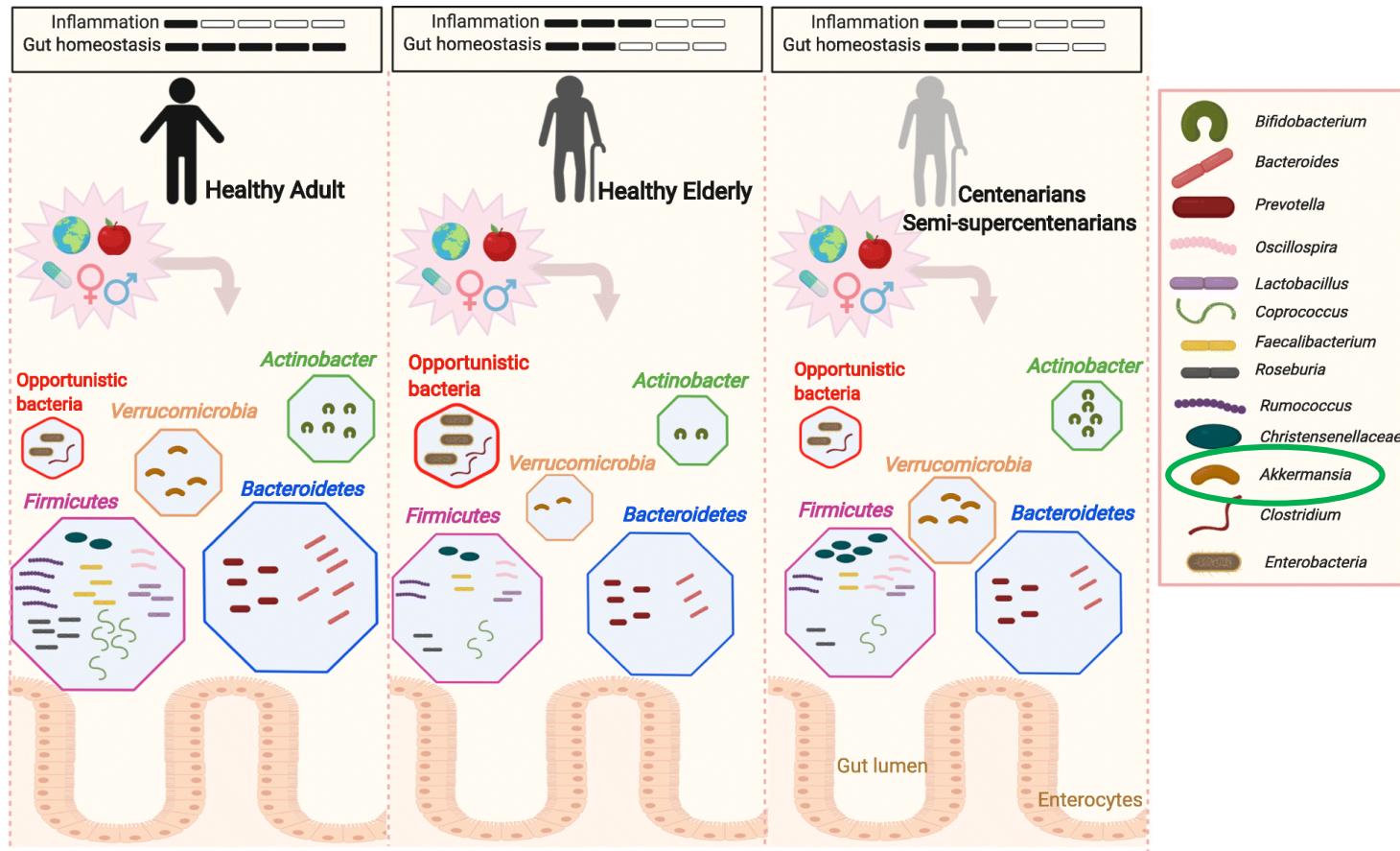
CHANGES IN FECAL FLORA WITH AGING



- Various changes in the composition of microbiota until the age of 2-5 years
- Stable (core) microbiota up to the age of ~65 years
- Shifts in composition and functionality in older ages

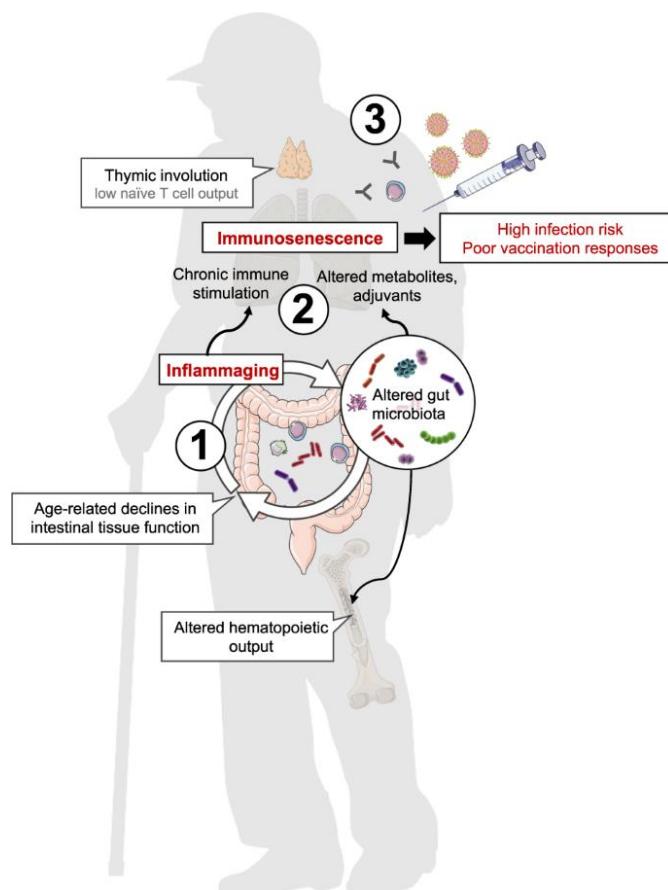
[Mitsuoka, 1978; Skillington et al., 2021]

CHANGING COMPOSITION OF MICROBIOTA



[Ragonnaud & Biragyn, 2021]

MICROB-AGING AND CONSEQUENCES

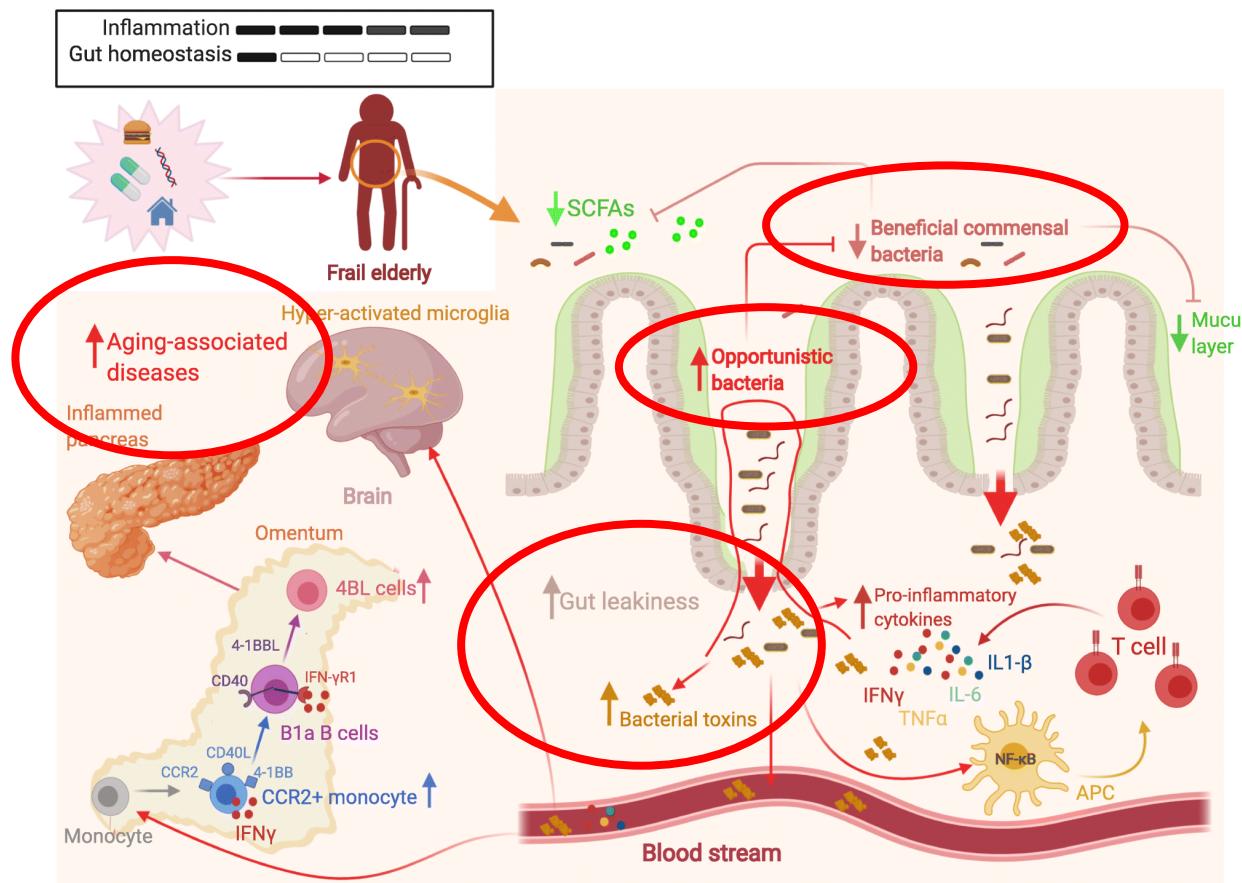


- Dysbiosis
- Loss of diversity
- Microbiota instability
- (Antibiotics)

lead to e.g.

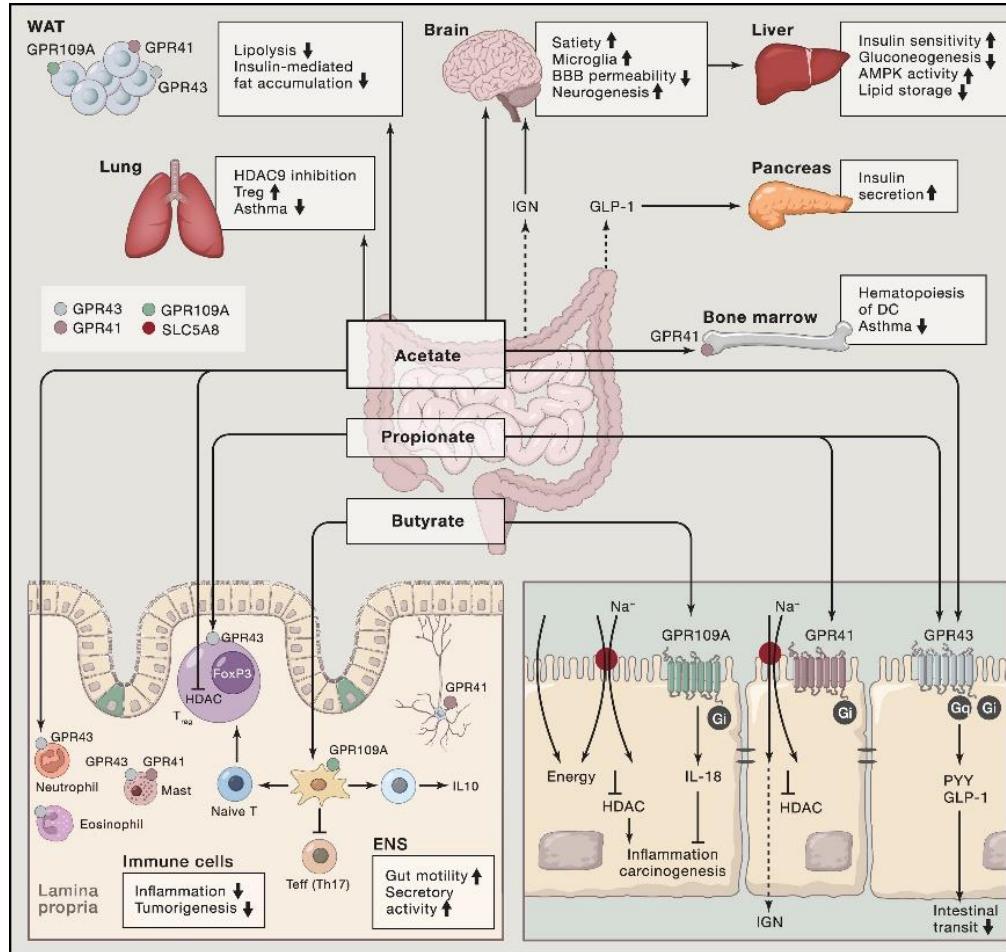
- Increase of gut leakiness
- Increased insulin resistance
- Frailty
- Systemic inflammation

GUT DYSBIOSIS IN THE ELDERLY



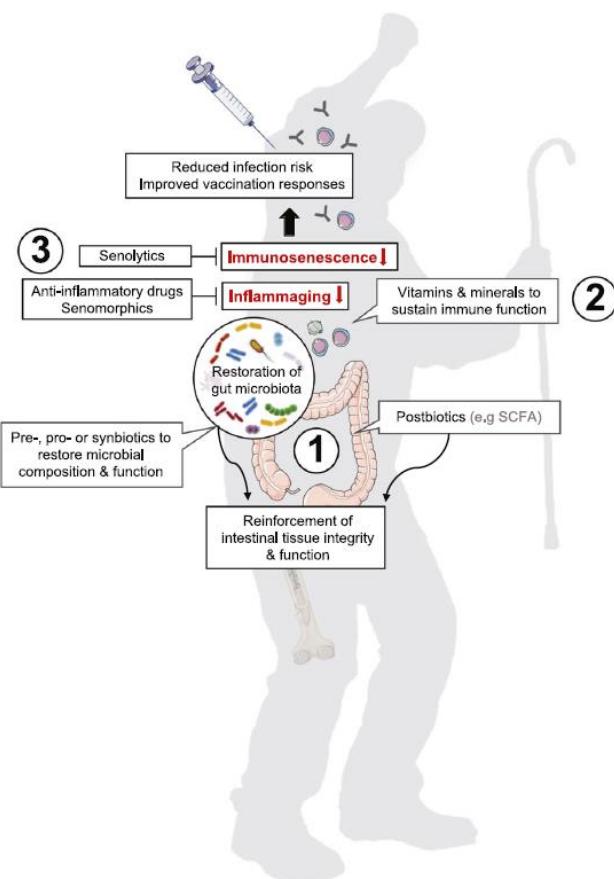
[Ragonnaud & Biragyn, 2021]

ESSENTIAL EFFECTS OF SCFA



[Koh et al., 2016]

AIM: RESTORE GUT-MICROBIAL



- Pre- pro- or symbiotics
 - *Akkermansia muciniphila*
- Postbiotics (e.g. SCFAs)
- Supplementation (vitamins, etc.)
- (Medication)
- (Fecal microbiota transplants)

lead to e.g.

- Increase gut barrier integrity
- Reinforce host immunity

[Bosco & Noti, 2021]



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Head-Target gene

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Barcode-Head-Target gene

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