

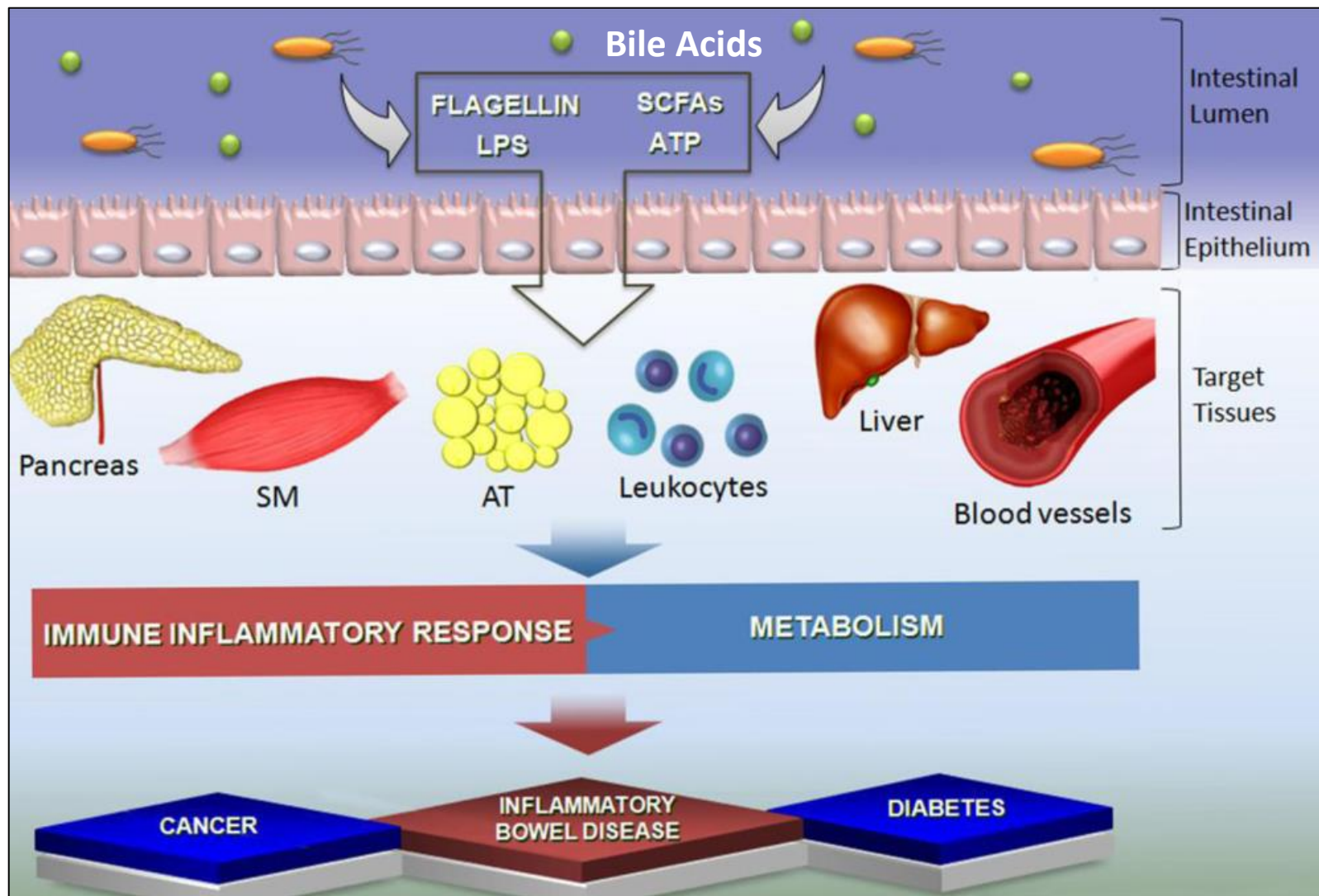


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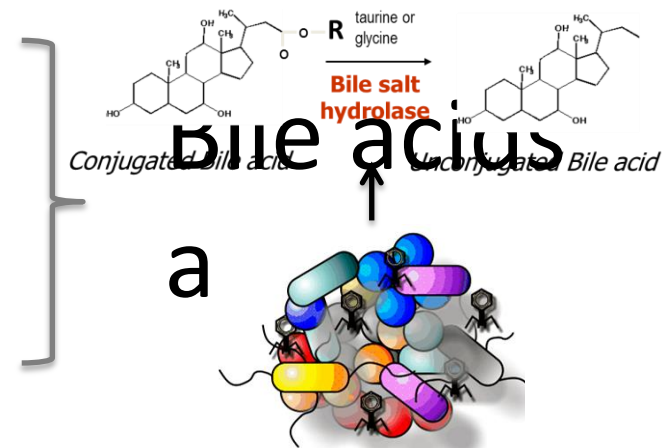
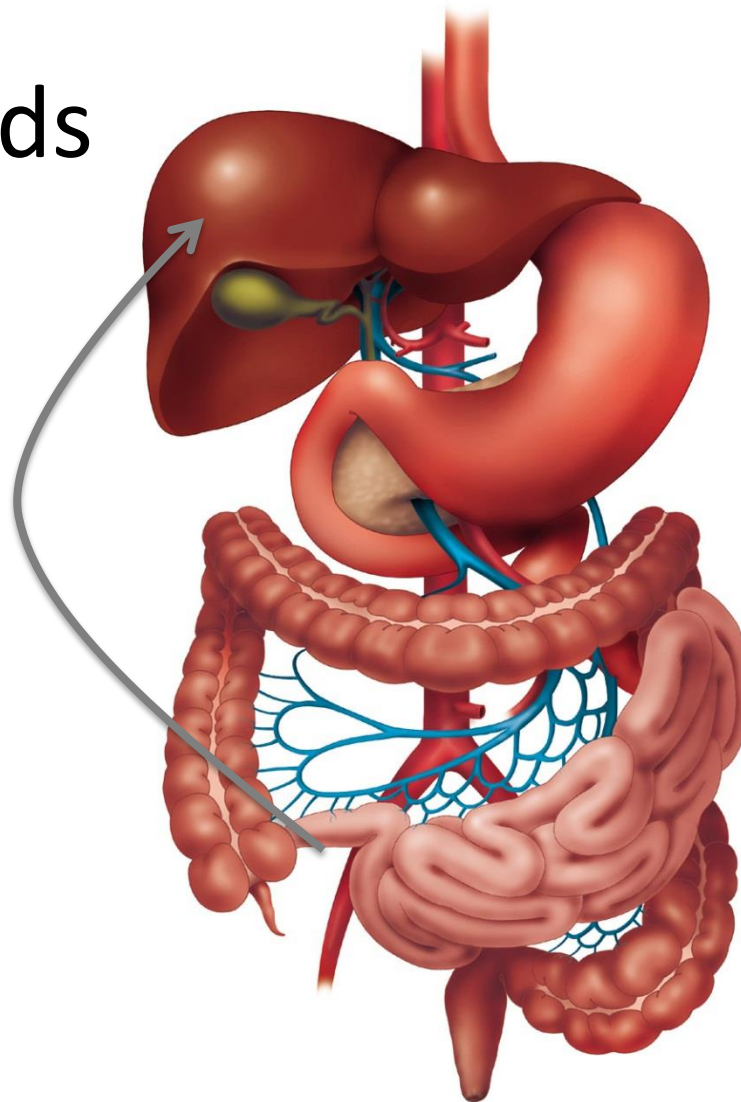
Bacterial Bile Salt Hydrolase in the  
Regulation of Host Lipid Metabolism &  
Circadian Rhythm: A Role in Probiotic  
Function?

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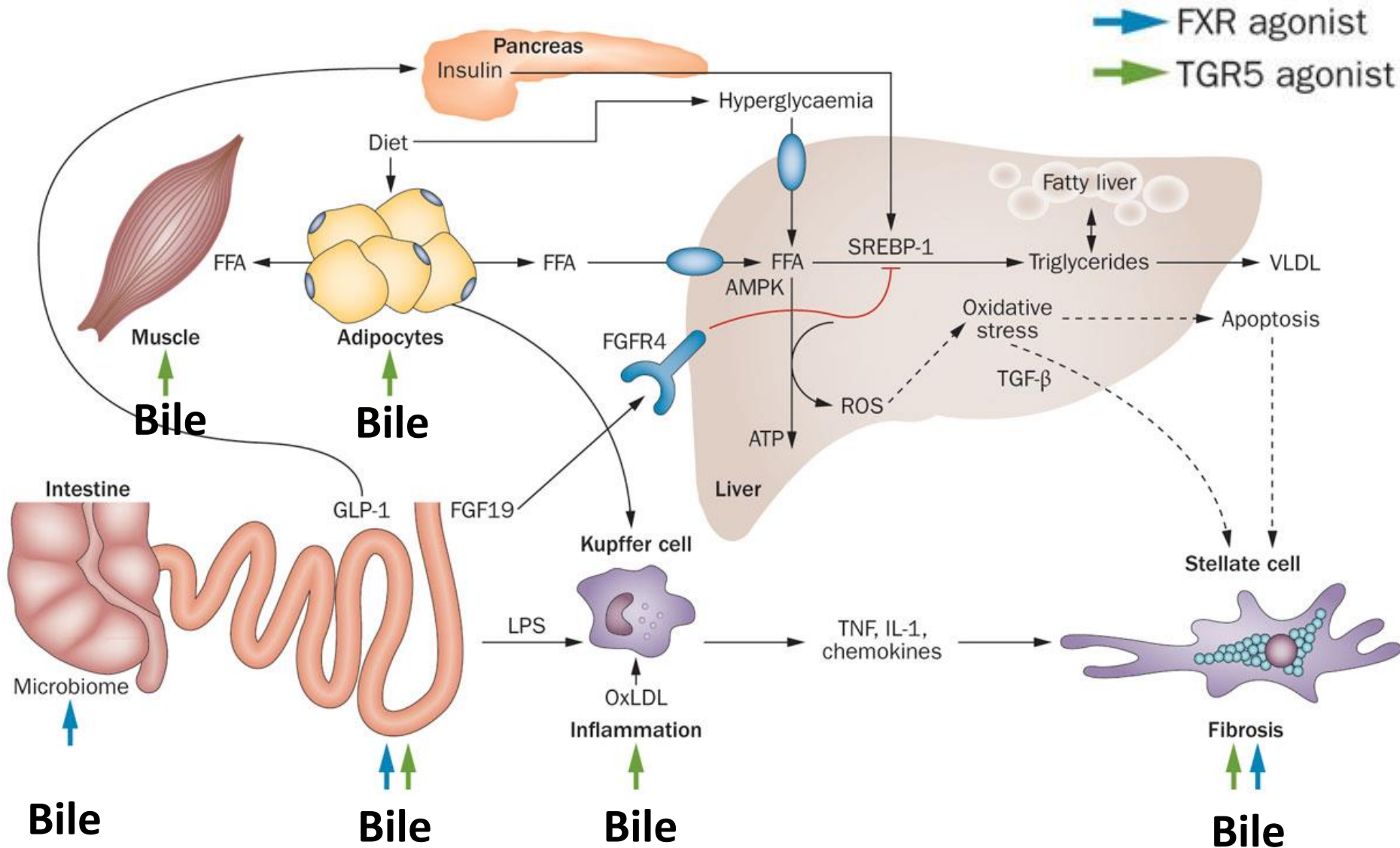
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& Bile acids  
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# Endocrine function: energy metabolism



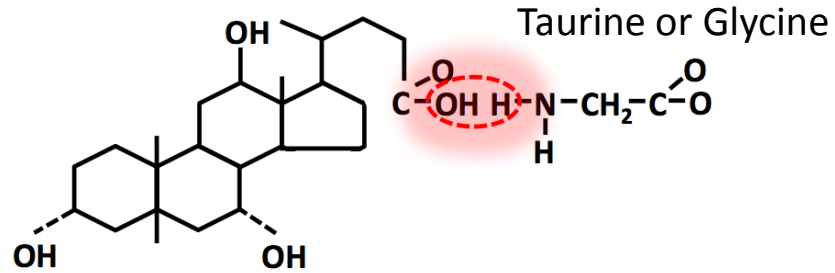
# BSH function: a probiotic effector?



# Bacterial bile acid modifications in the gut:

Conjugated bile acids

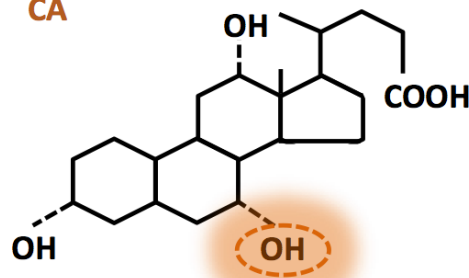
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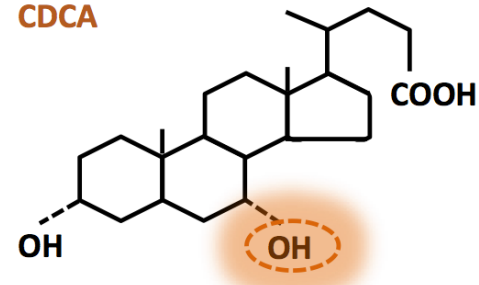
Bile salt hydrolase

Free primary bile acids

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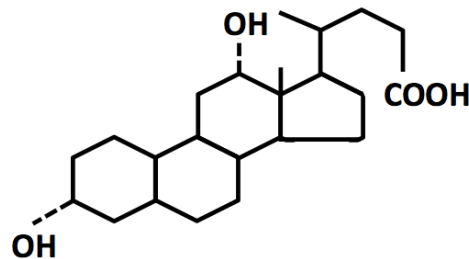
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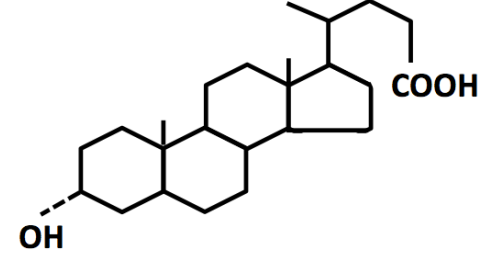
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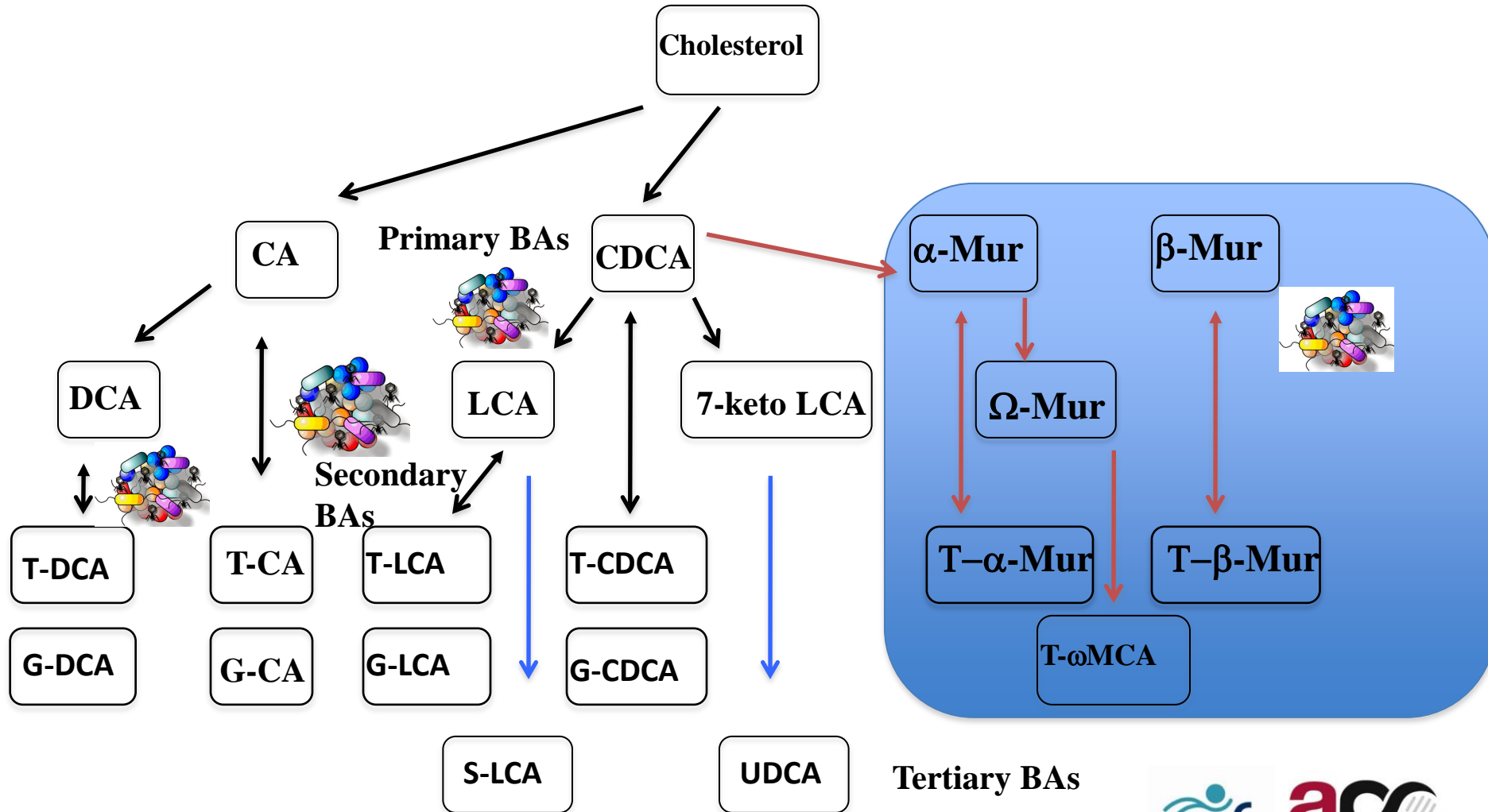
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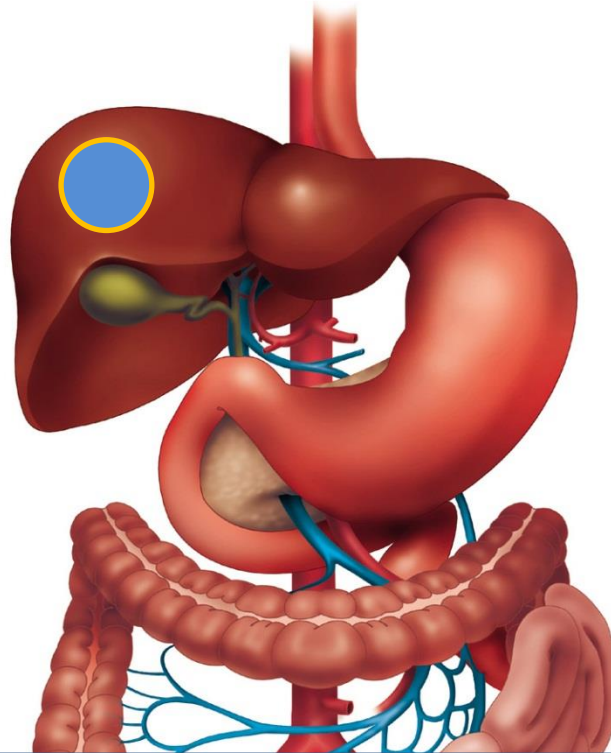


# Complexity:



2. Reabsorbed bile salts as signalling molecules regulating endocrine functions (obesity)

Watanabe et al. 2006 Nature, 439: 484-489



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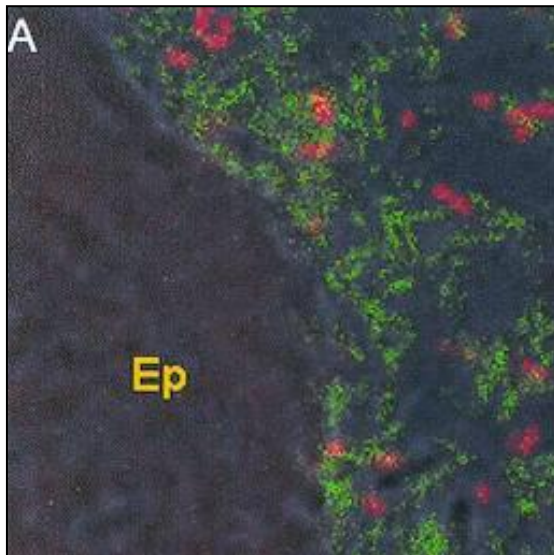
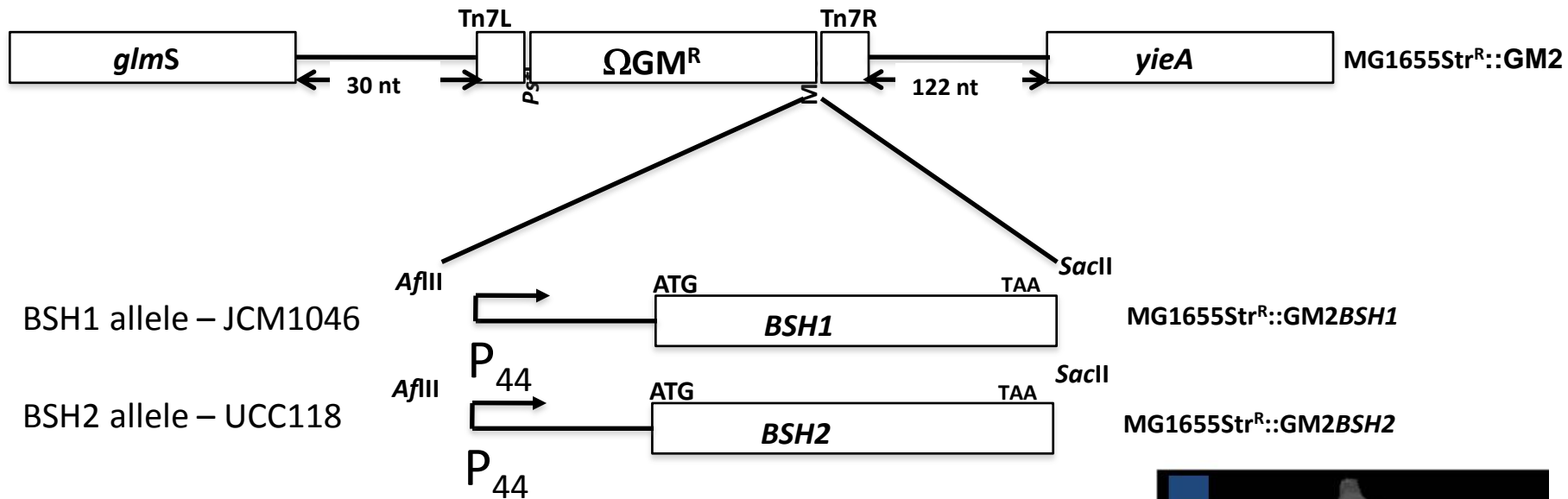
## Gut Microbiota Regulates Bile Acid Metabolism by Reducing the Levels of Tauro-beta-muricholic Acid, a Naturally Occurring FXR Antagonist

Cell  
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Sama I. Sayin,<sup>1</sup> Annika Wahlström,<sup>1</sup> Jenny Felin,<sup>1</sup> Sirkku Jääntti,<sup>2</sup> Hanns-Ulrich Marschall,<sup>1</sup> Krister Bamberg,<sup>3</sup> Bo Angelin,<sup>4</sup> Tuulia Hyötyläinen,<sup>2</sup> Matej Orešič,<sup>2</sup> and Fredrik Bäckhed<sup>1,5,\*</sup>



# Cloning of BSH in *E. coli* MG1655:



MG1655 (red)  
Eubacteria (green)

Strep-  
treated mice



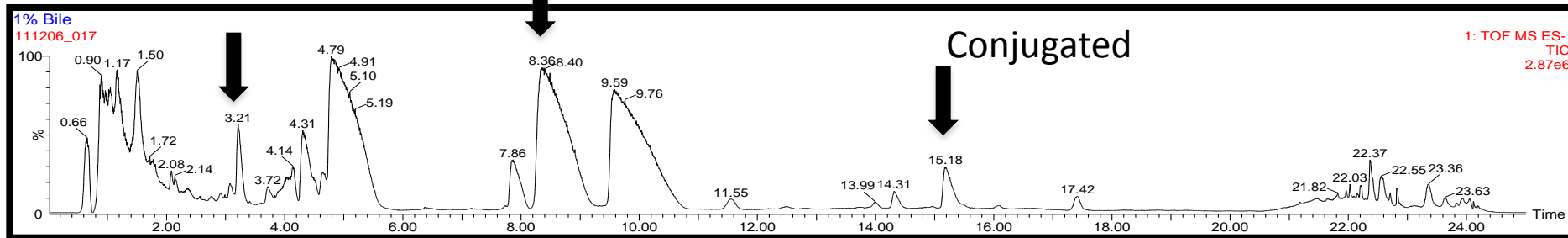
# In vitro human bile assays



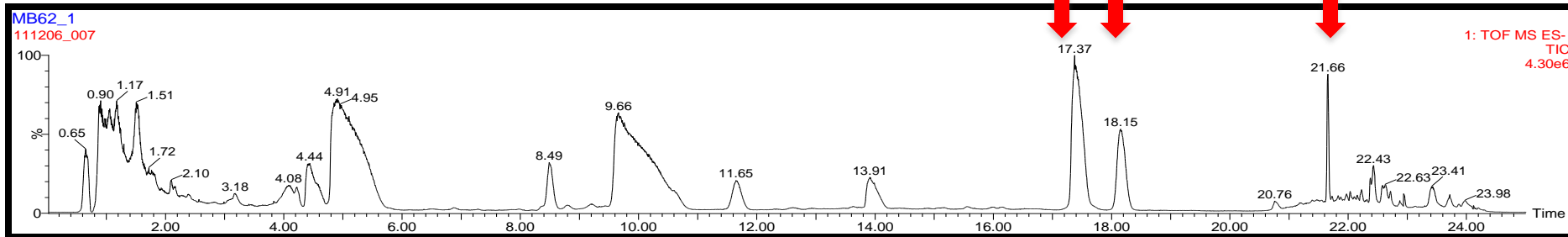
BSH in *E. coli* is working.....  
ex vivo bile acid incubation.....



*E. coli*

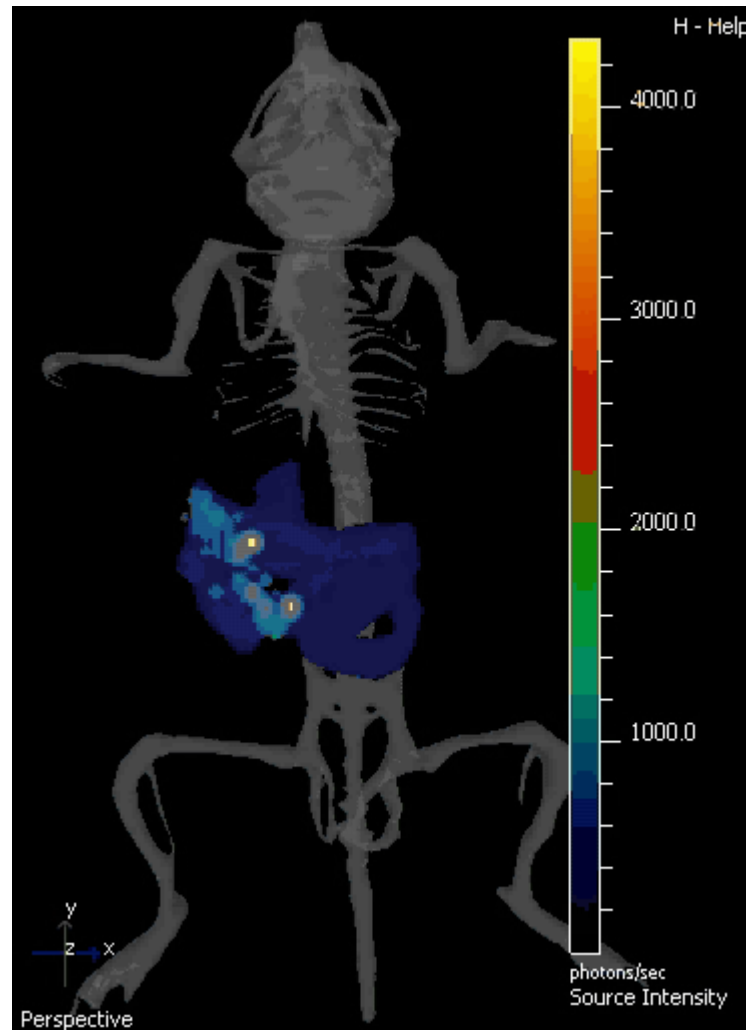


*E. coli* +BSH1 Treated

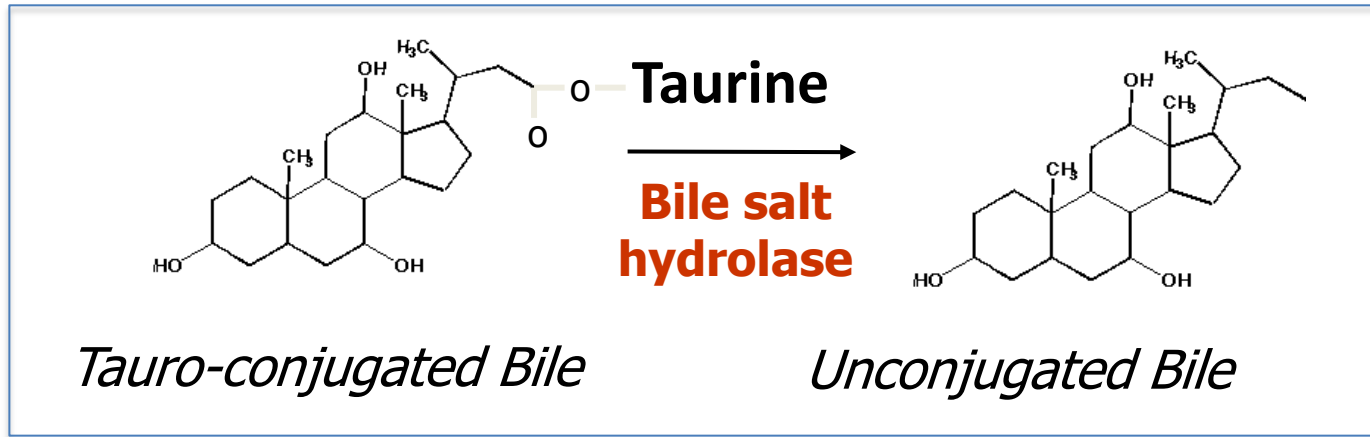


# *E. coli* strain colonises the mouse gut

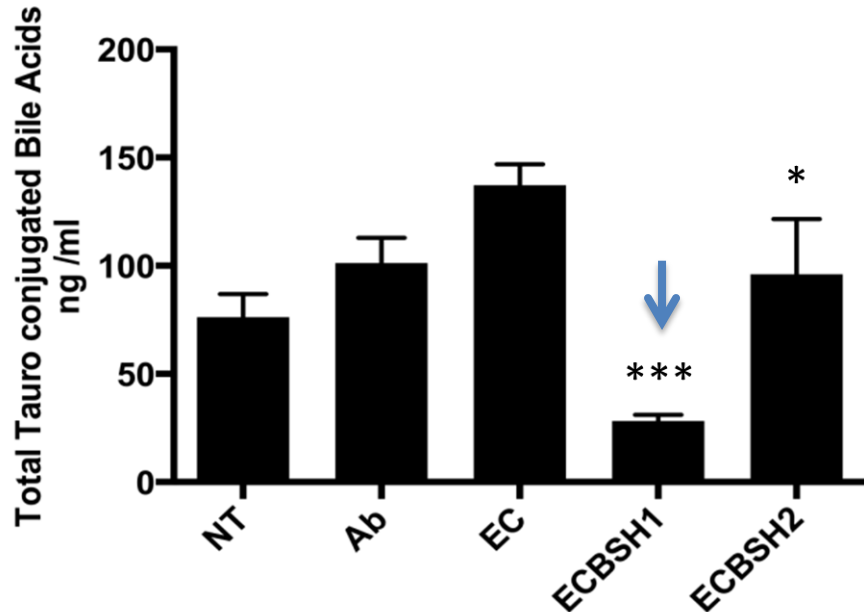
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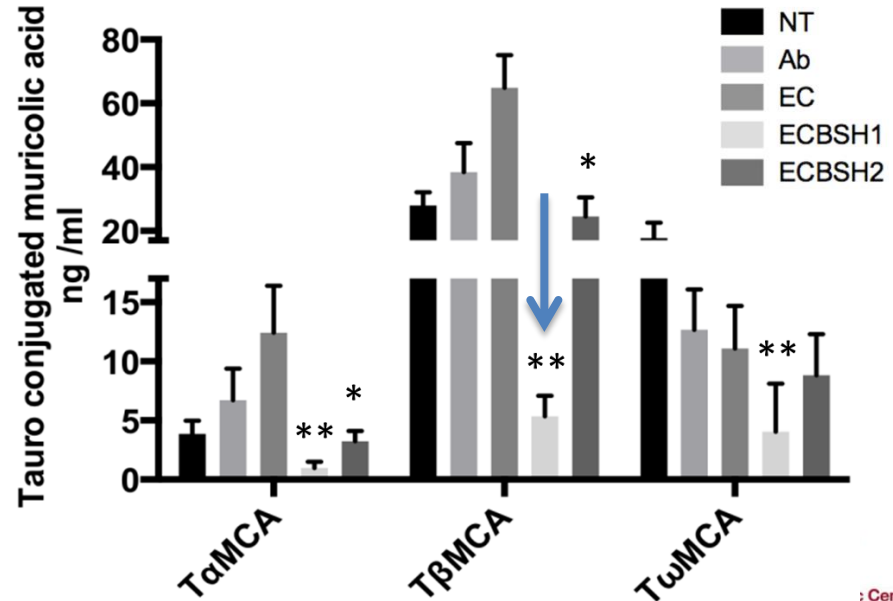
# EC-BSH1 significant *in vivo* activity



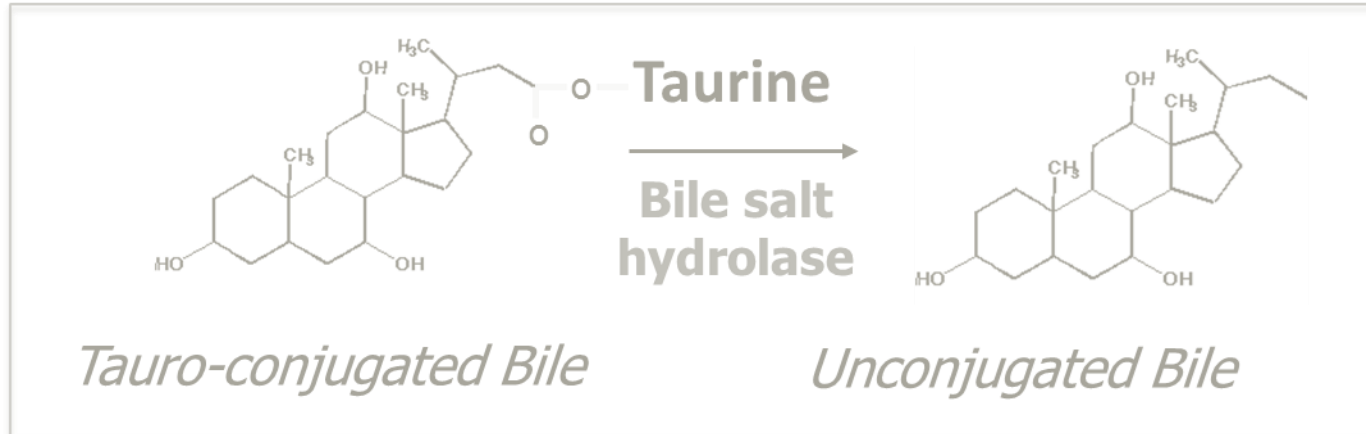
Total Plasma Tauro-Bile Acids



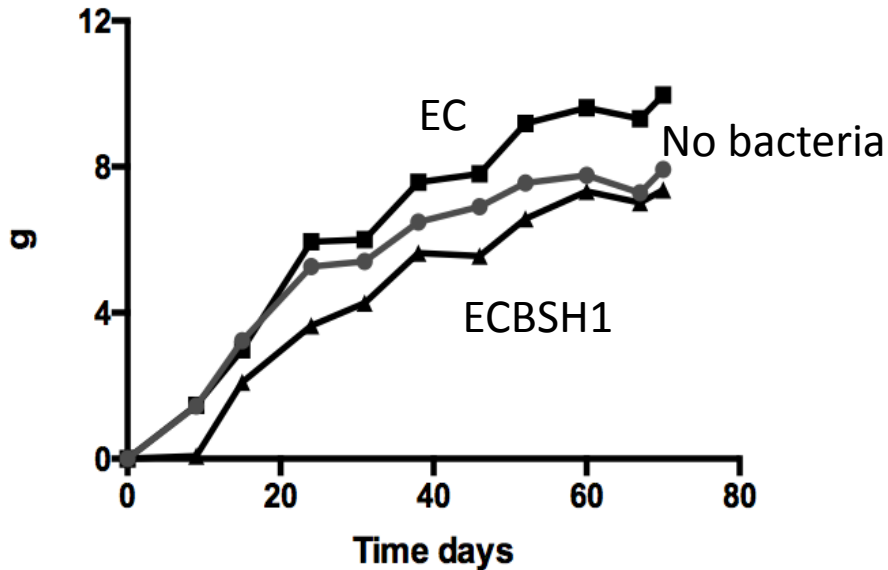
Reduction in TβMCA



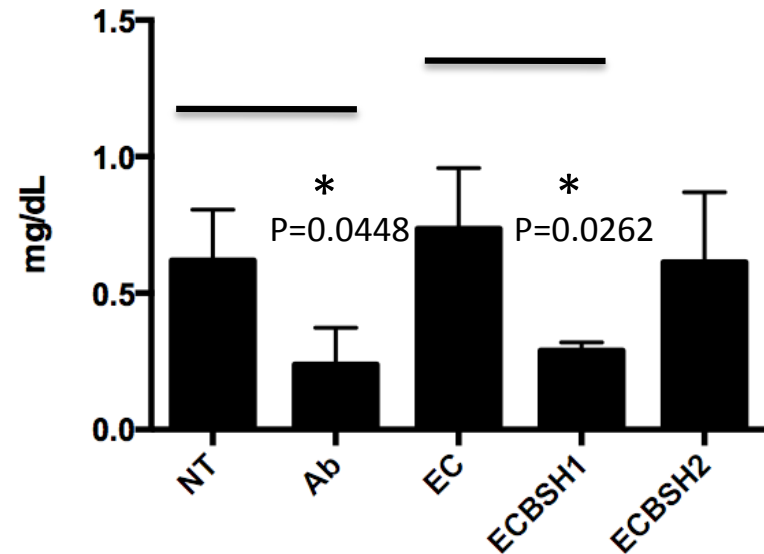
# EC-BSH1 reduced weight gain



## Weight Gain



## Cholesterol



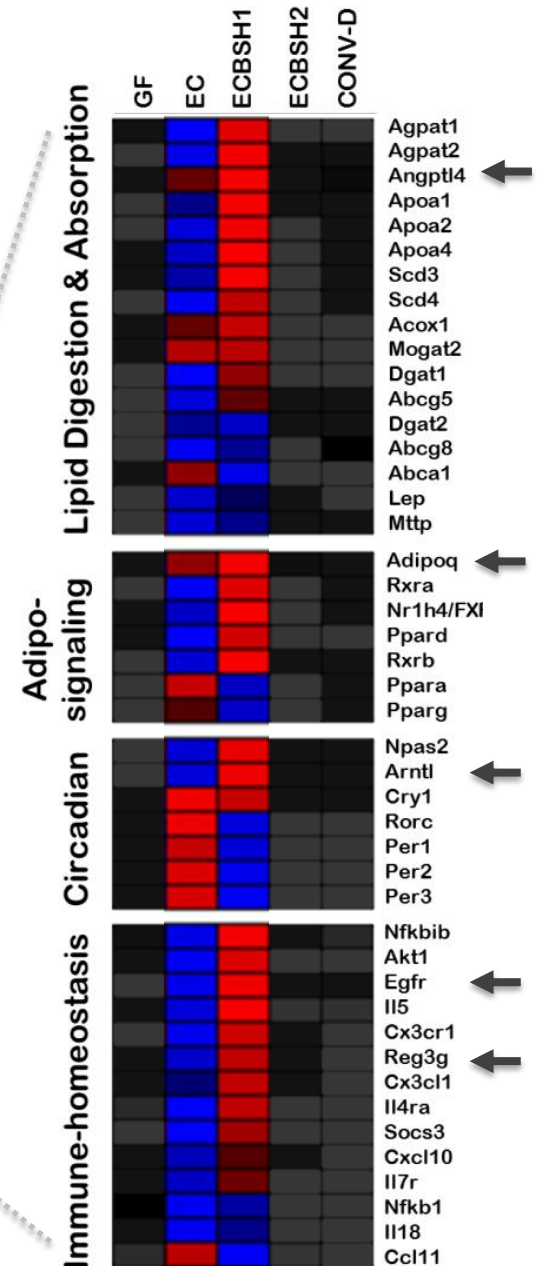
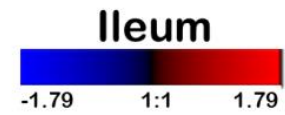
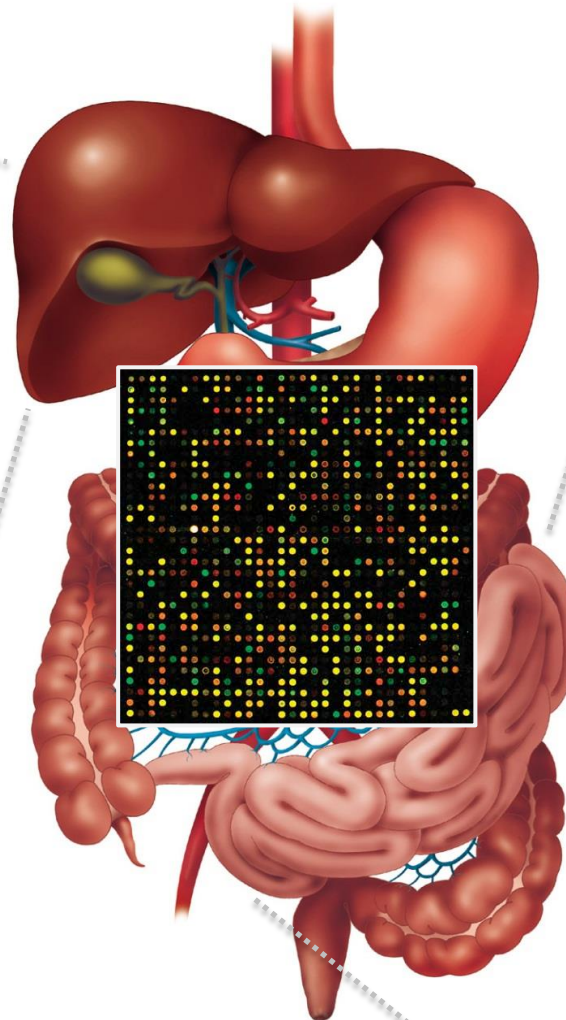
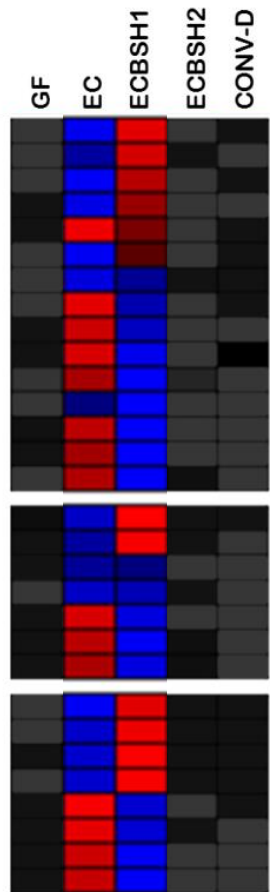
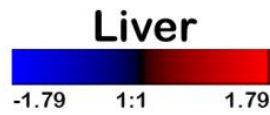
## Mono-colonise Germ-free mice



all n=5

Germ-free	EC	ECBSH1	ECBSH2	Conv-D
				

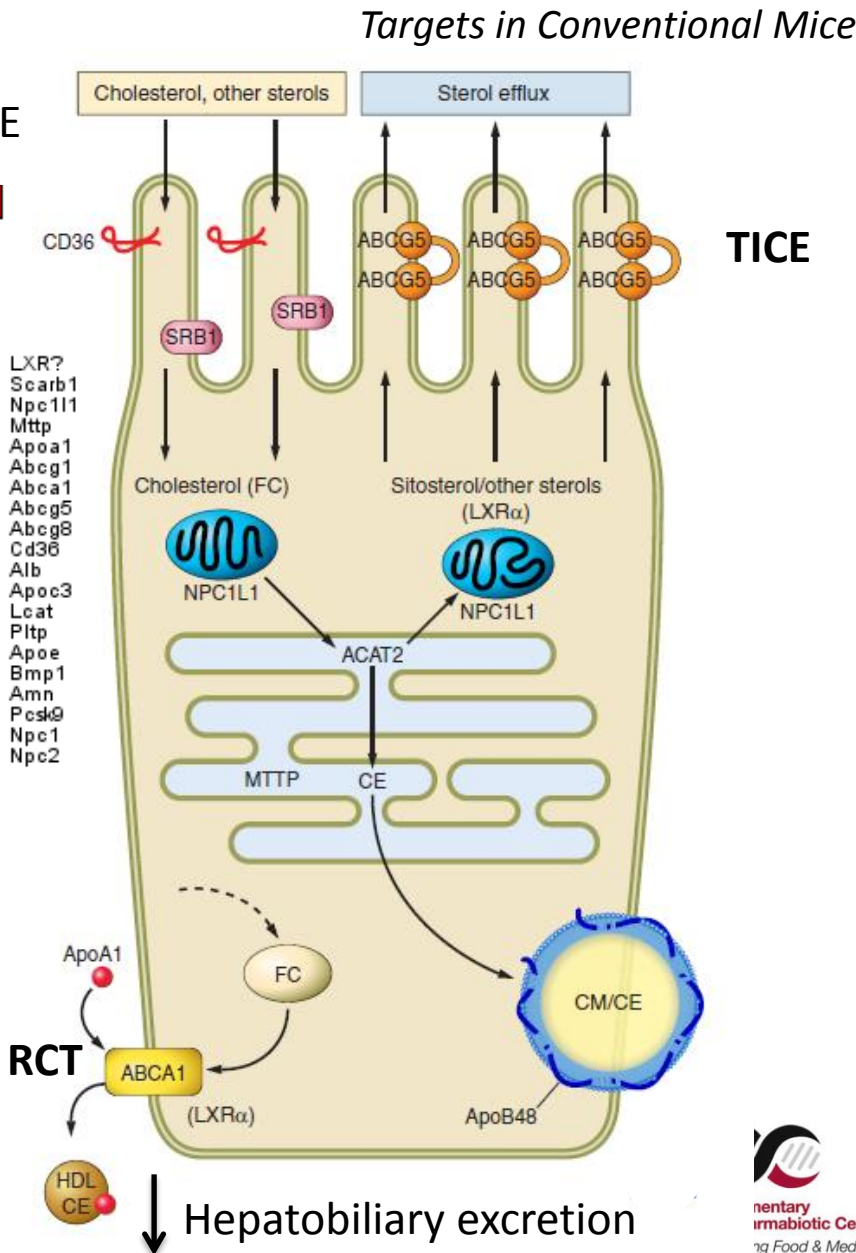
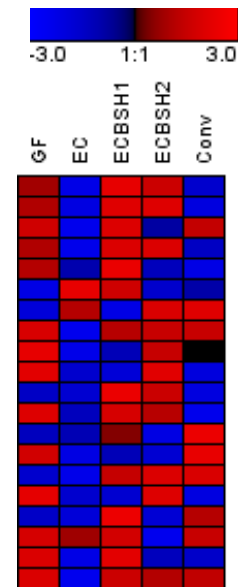
# Host Gene Expression influenced by Bile



## BSH:

- Trans-intestinal cholesterol excretion (TICE)
- Reverse Cholesterol transport (RCT)
- Reduces lipid biosynthesis

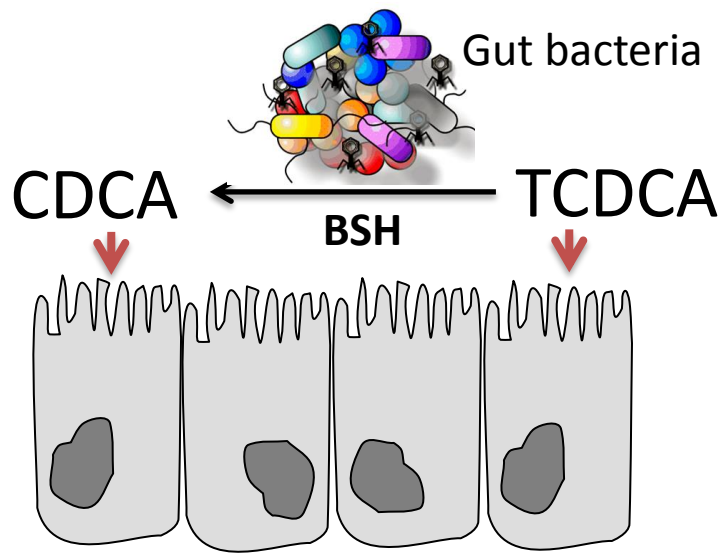
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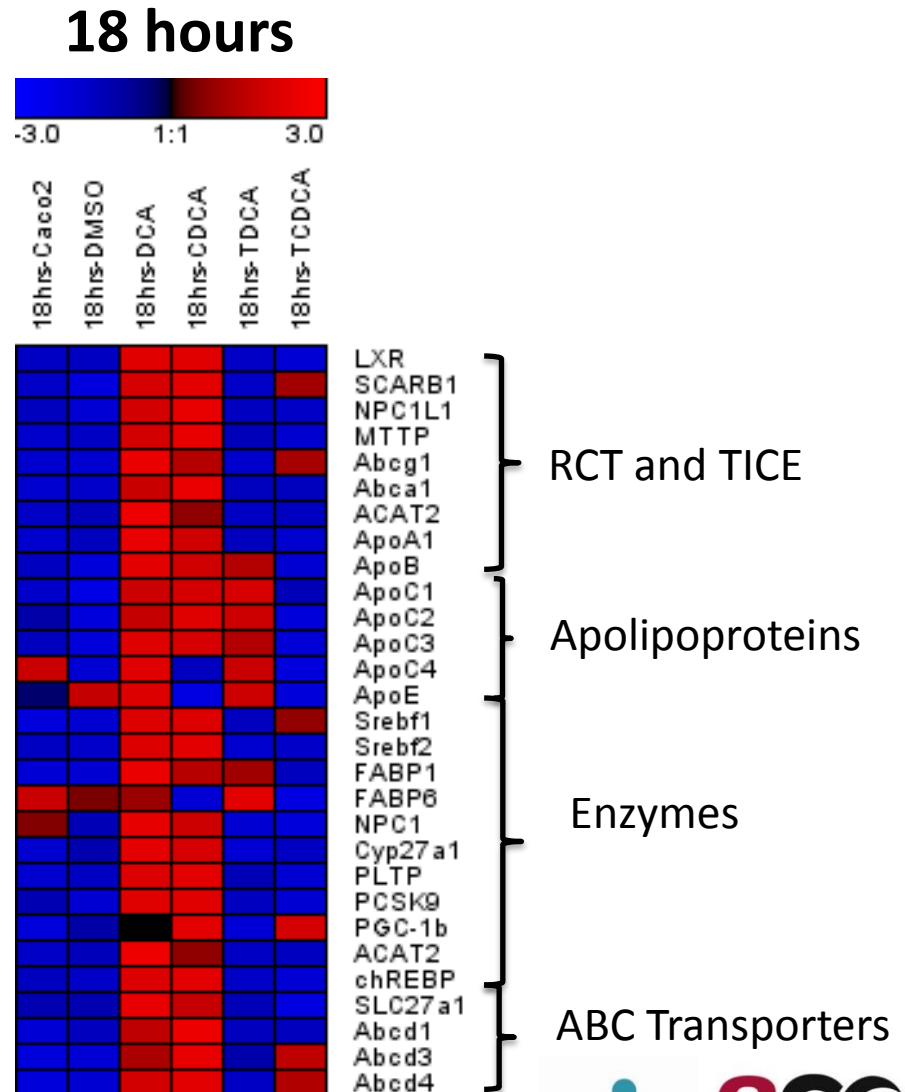


# DCA and CDCA induce lipid signalling genes in Caco2 cells

## RT-PCR

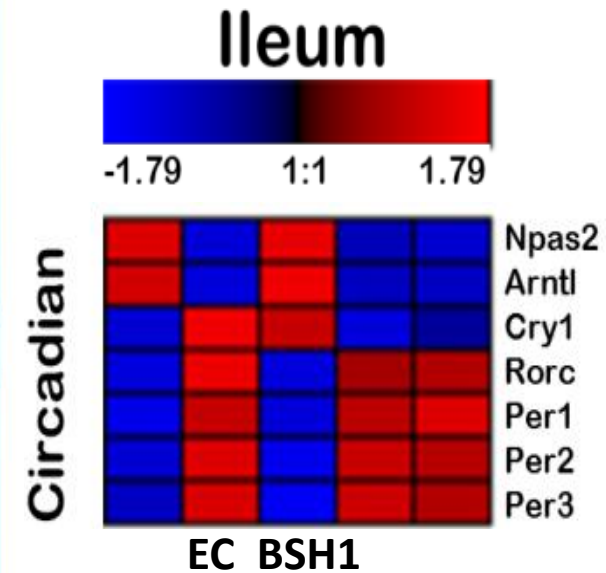
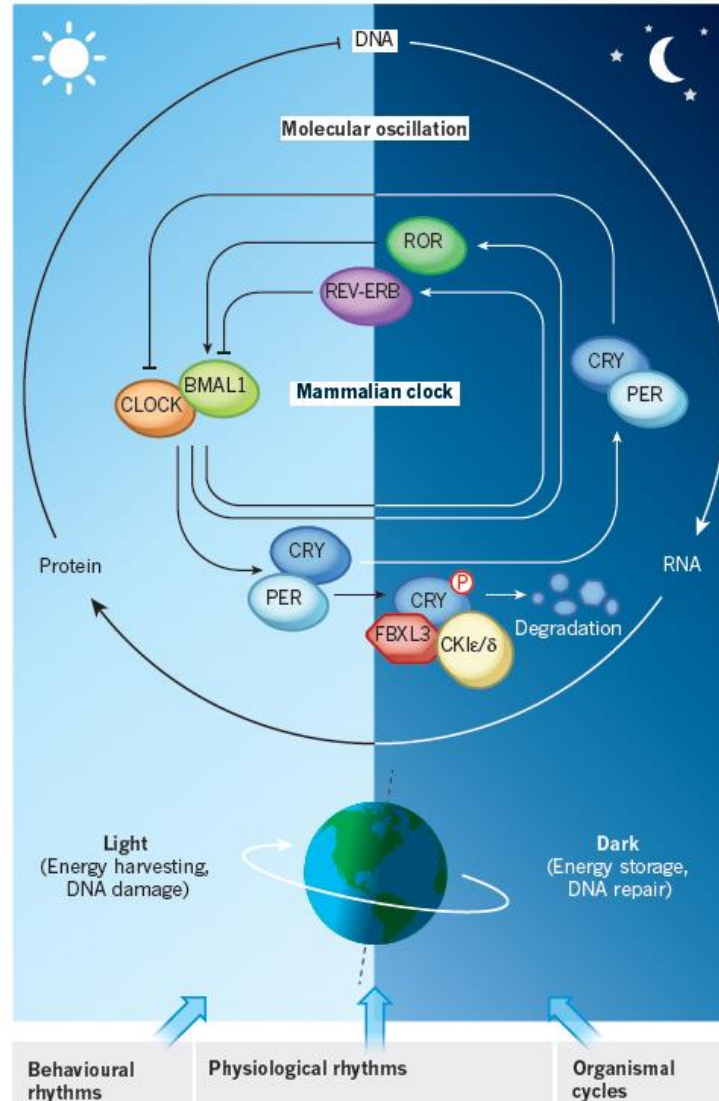
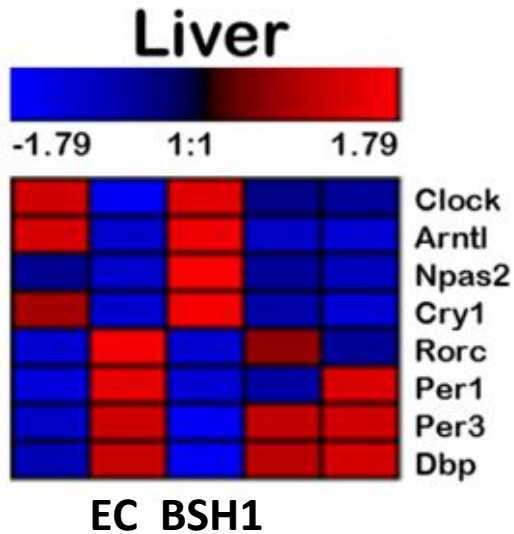


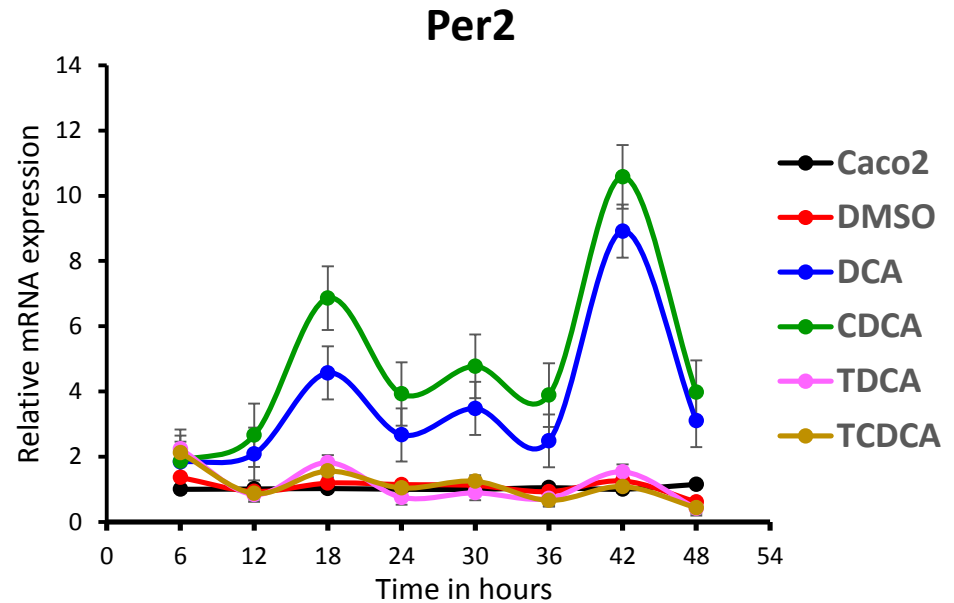
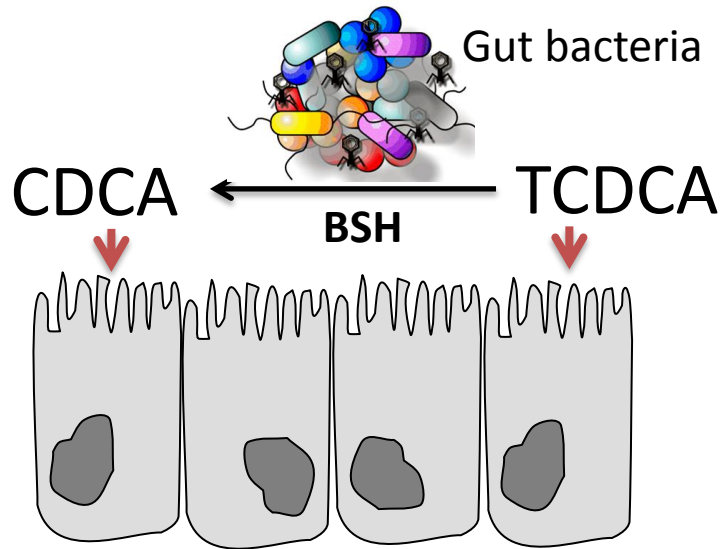
Currently examining functional lipid transport using a transwell system



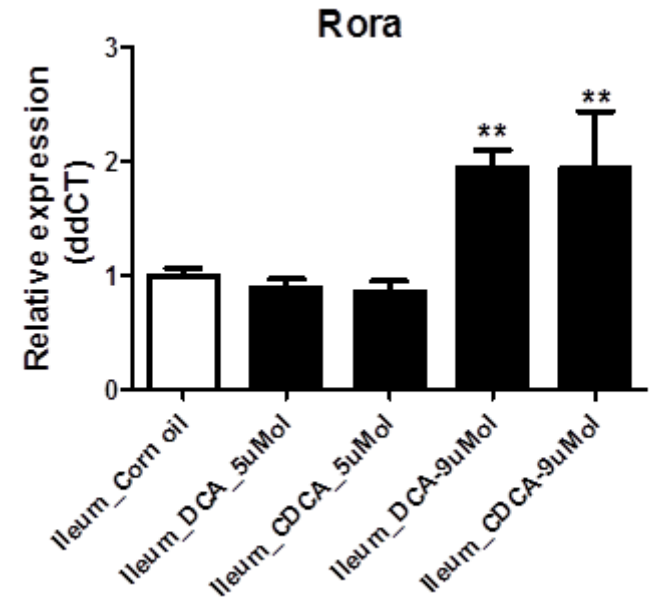
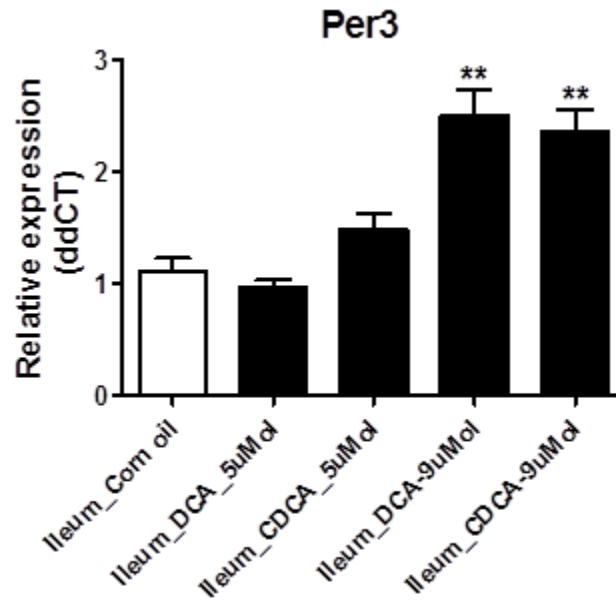
# Circadian Genes Switch by BSH1

*in mice*



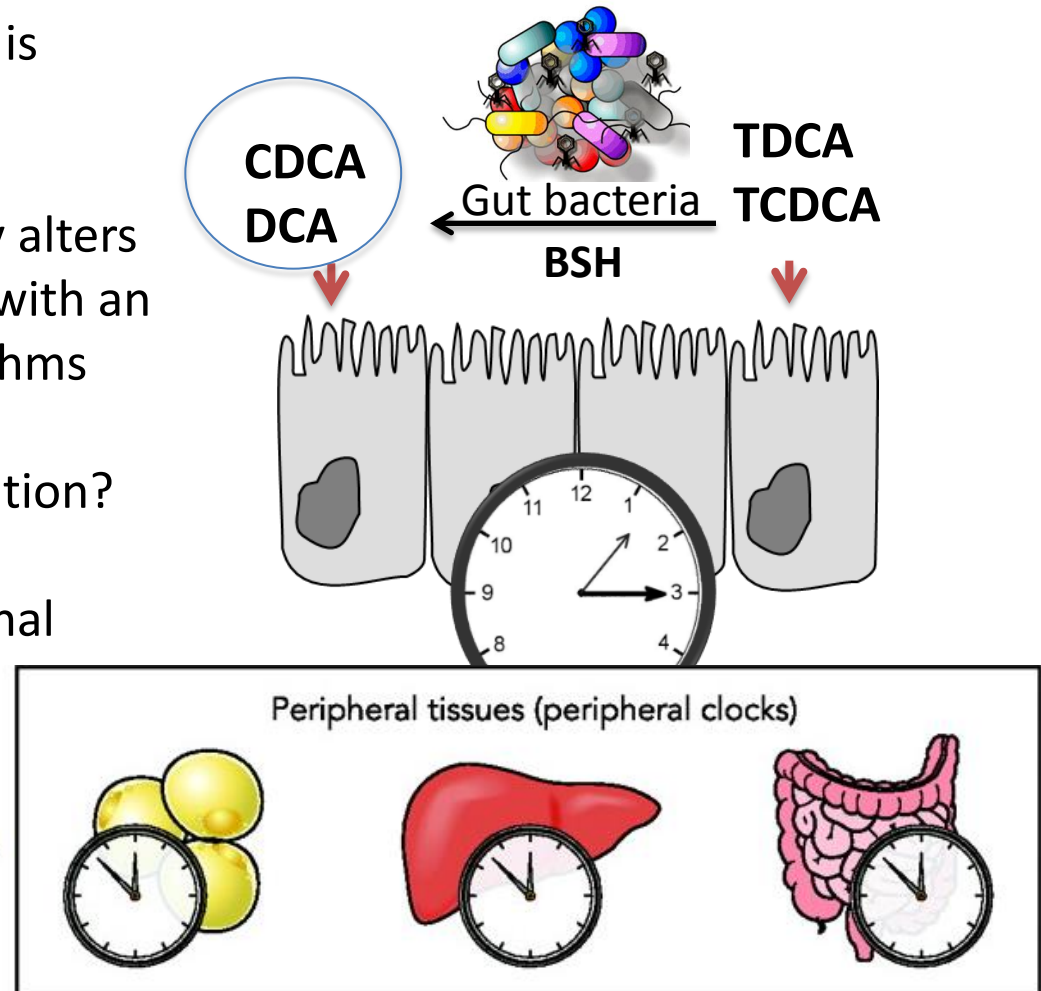


Unconjugated bile acids enhance periodic expression of circadian genes *in vitro*

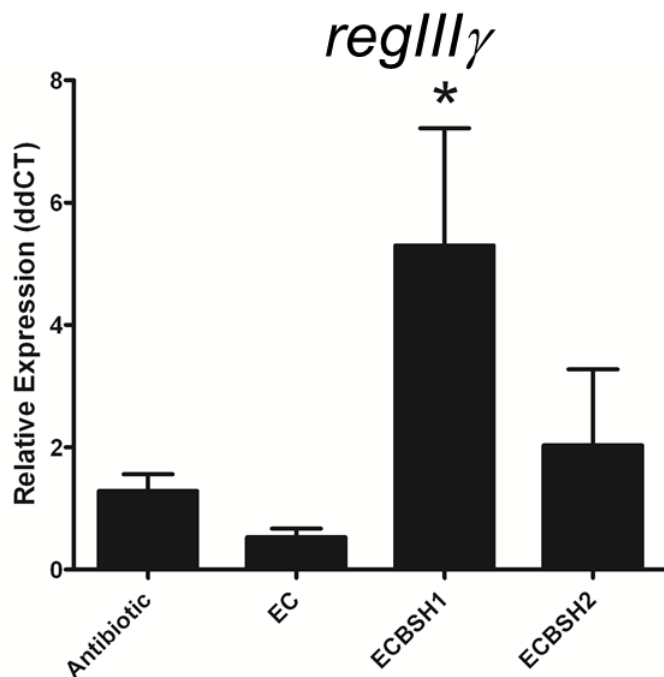


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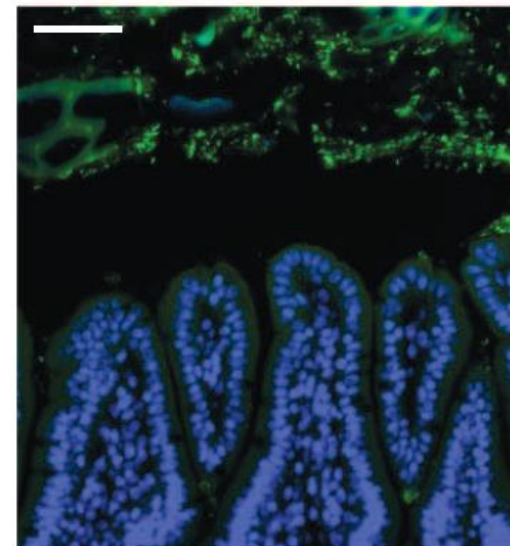
- Well known that bile synthesis is governed by circadian rhythm
- We show that bacterial activity alters the signalling potential of bile with an influence upon peripheral rhythms
- Potential for probiotic intervention?
- Thaïss CA et al 2014. Cell. Diurnal oscillations in gut bacteria!



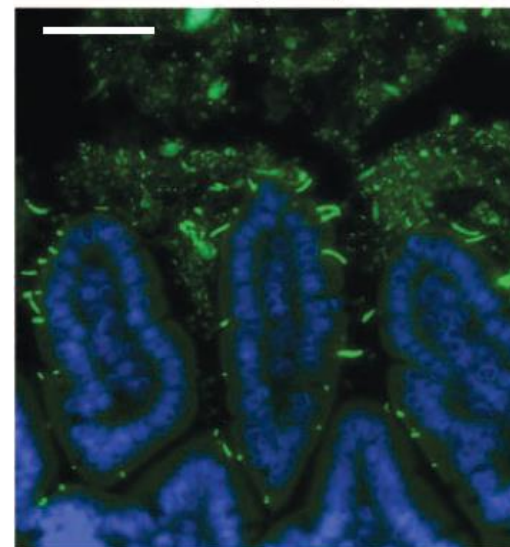
Conventionally-raised mice



wild-type



*RegIII $\gamma$ <sup>-/-</sup>*



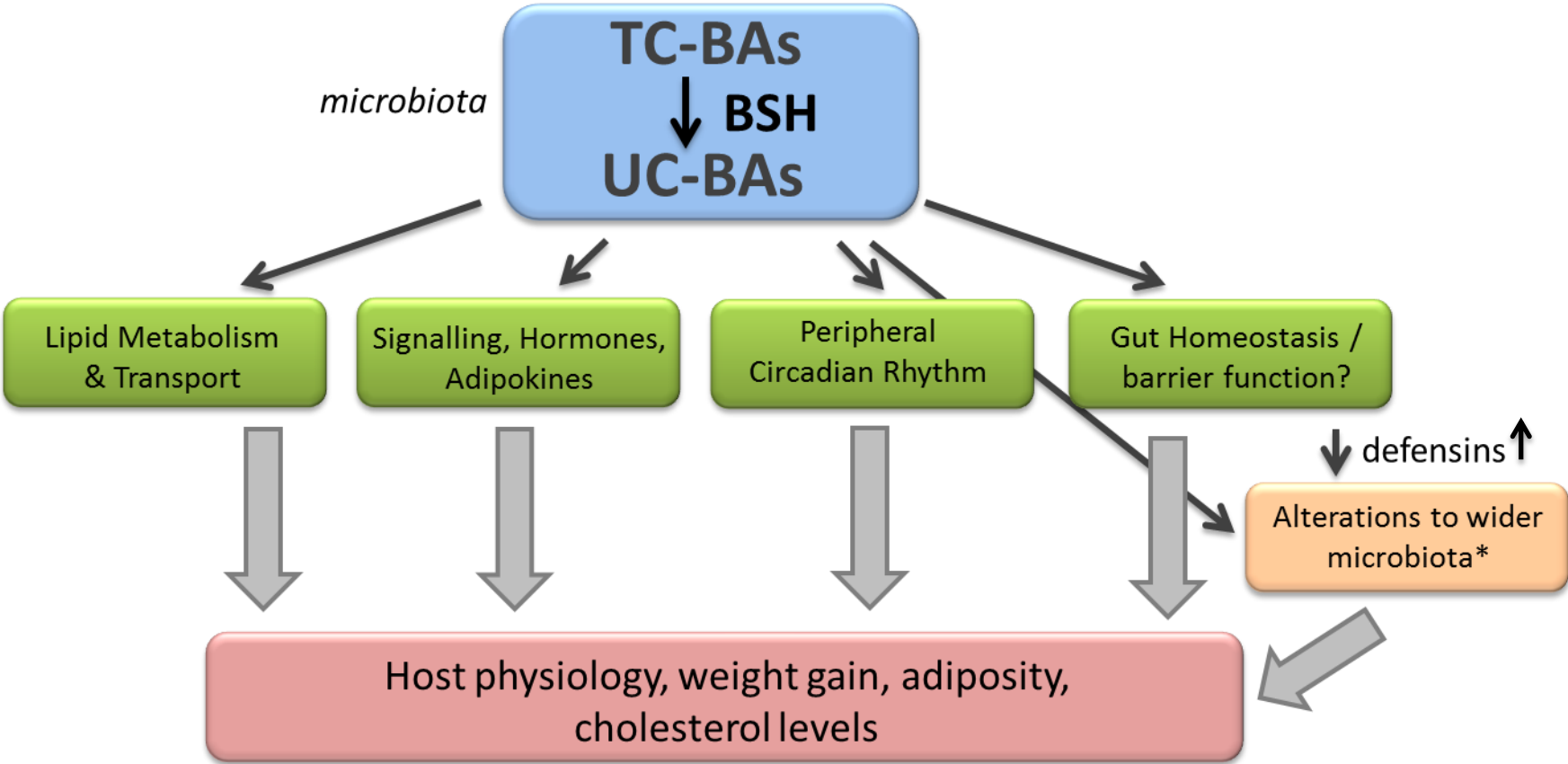
## The Antibacterial Lectin *RegIII $\gamma$* Promotes the Spatial Segregation of Microbiota and Host in the Intestine

Shipra Vaishnava,<sup>1</sup> Miwako Yamamoto,<sup>1</sup> Kari M. Severson,<sup>1</sup> Kelly A. Ruhn,<sup>1</sup> Xiaofei Yu,<sup>1</sup> Omry Koren,<sup>3</sup> Ruth Ley,<sup>3</sup> Edward K. Wakeland,<sup>1</sup> Lora V. Hooper<sup>1,2\*</sup>

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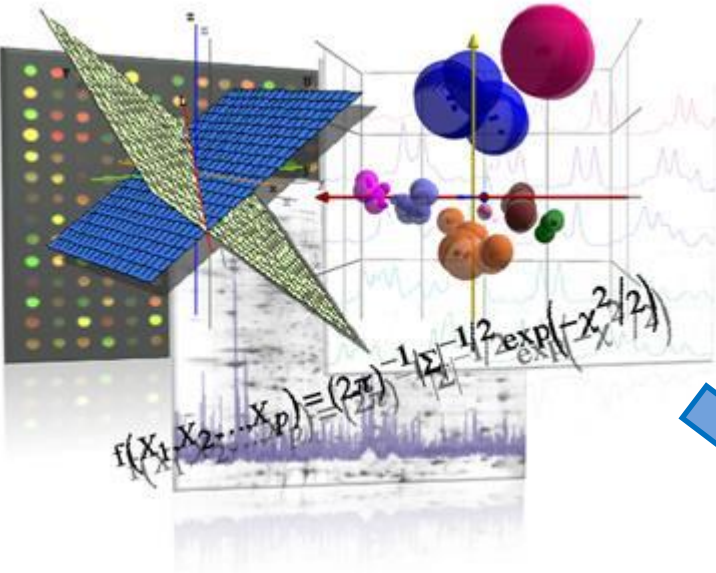
- BSH important for bacterial colonisation (mutualism?)
- Expression of BSH (single gene/function) in the gut significantly influences local and systemic responses
- Allelic variation was significant (BSH1 versus BSH2)
- Expression of BSH1 influences body weight and serum cholesterol - possible pathways identified



Joyce et al. 2014. PNAS. 111(20):7421-6.

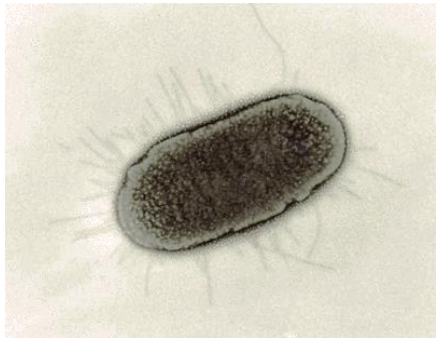


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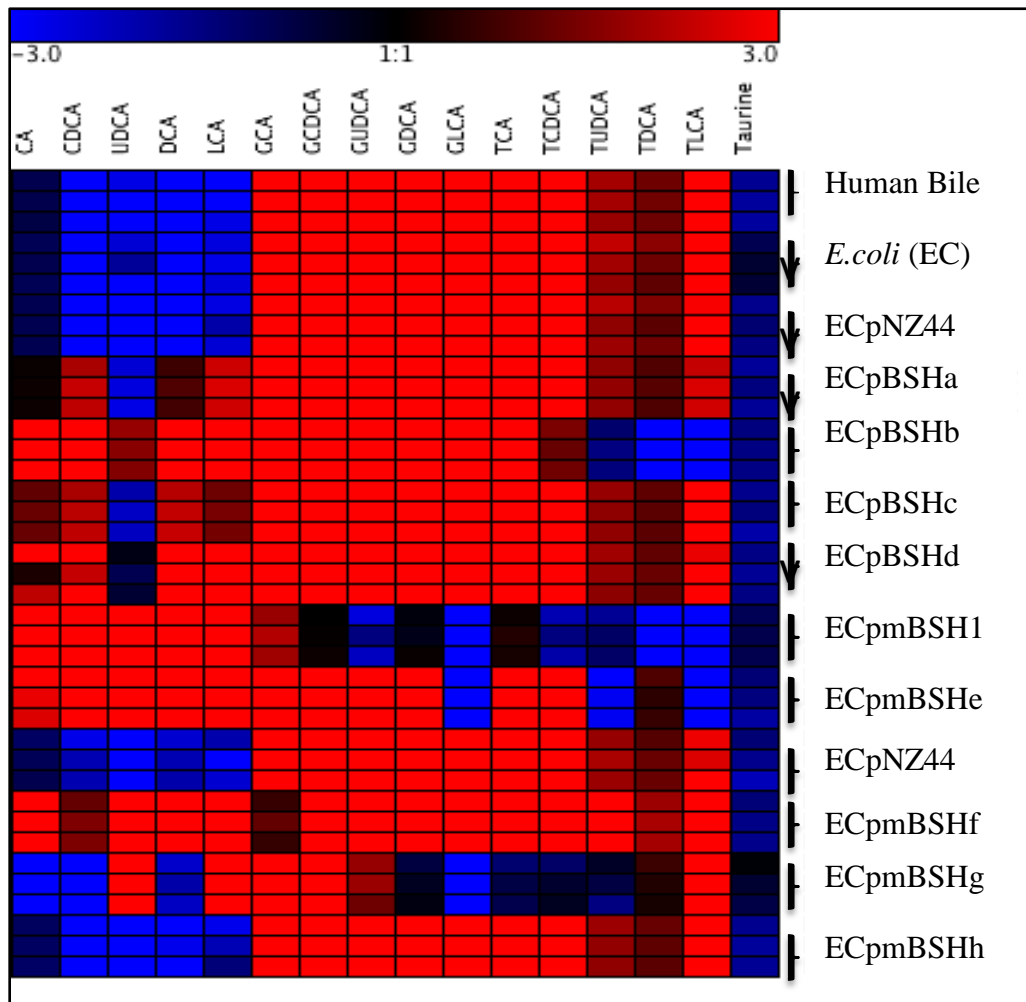


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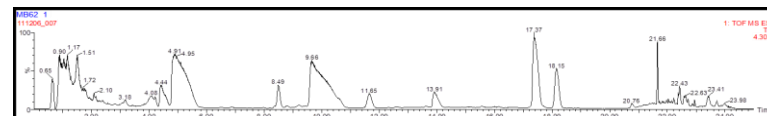
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# Future? Selecting Probiotics



## UPLC-MS analysis of bile conversions

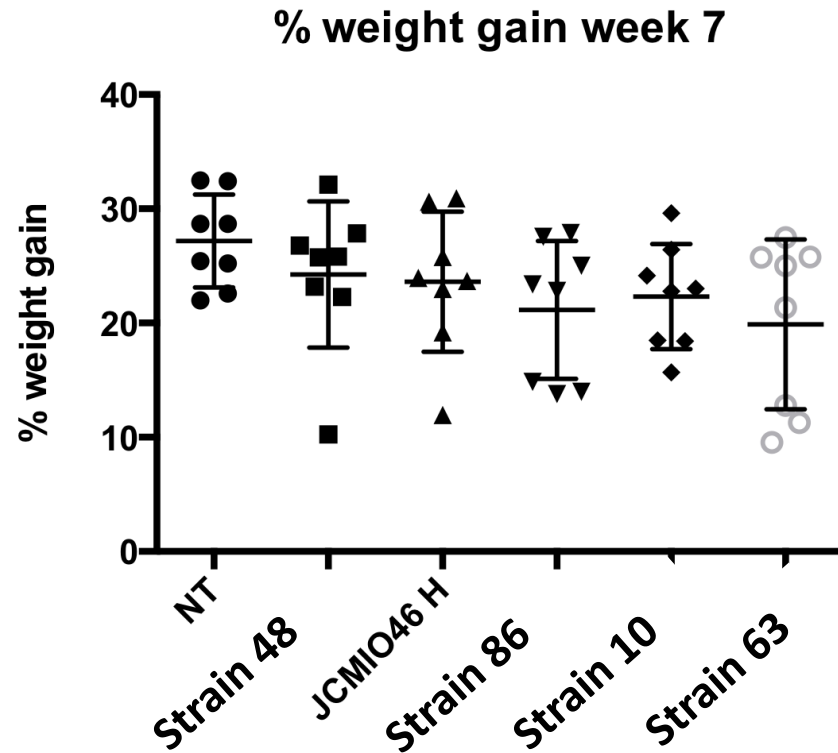


Profiling cloned BSHs and whole probiotics (left)

Some probiotics have BSH but no demonstrable activity

Probiotics selected on the basis of BSH activity show a trend towards inducing weight loss in mice

Currently testing in a diet-induced obesity model



- Mechanisms/pathways/circadian rhythm
- Relating BSH structure to function & selection of probiotics
- Analysis of bile acid metabolism in human disease states



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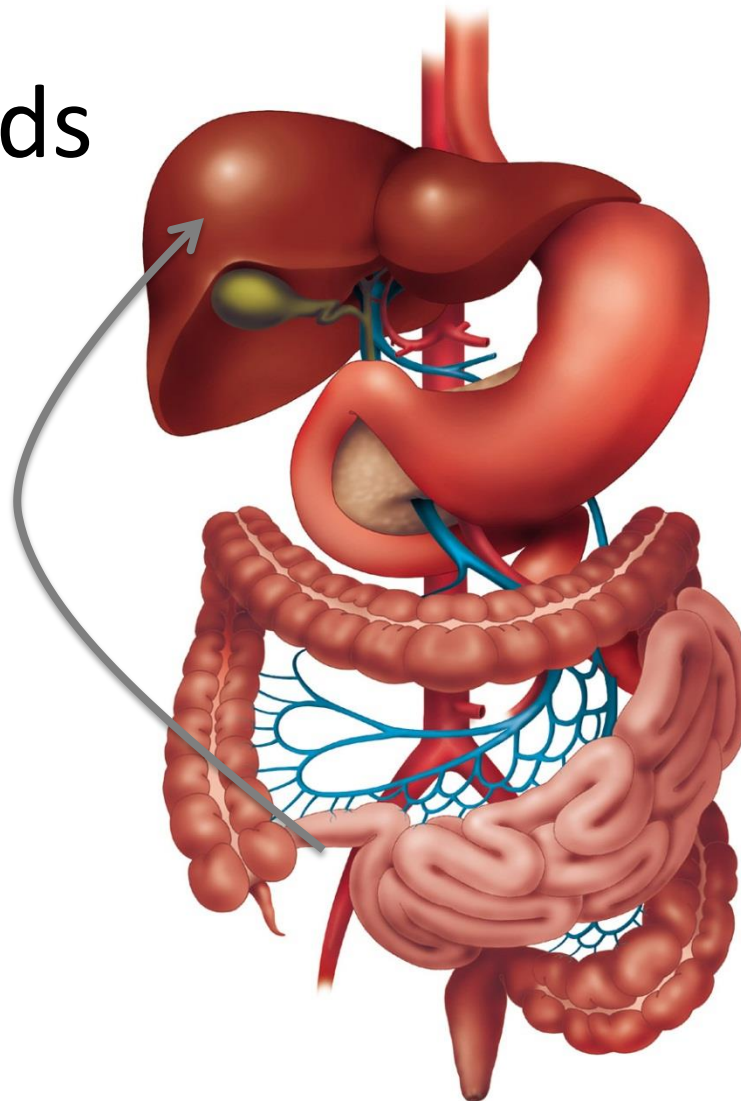
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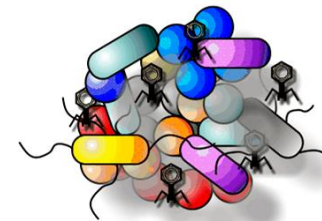




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Intervention?



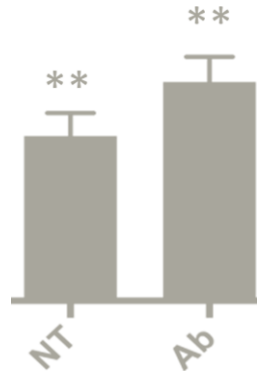
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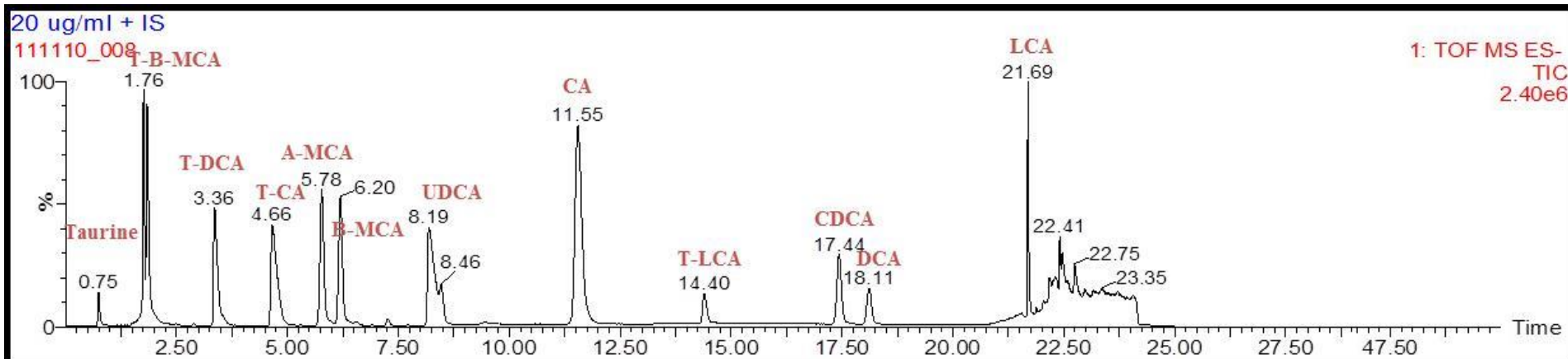
# Intestinal FXR agonism promotes adipose tissue browning and reduces obesity and insulin resistance

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Sungsoon Fang<sup>1</sup> et al. 2015

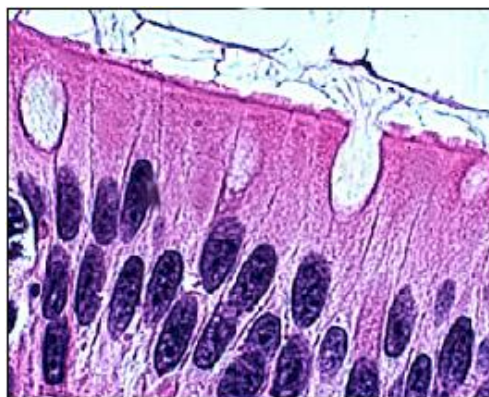
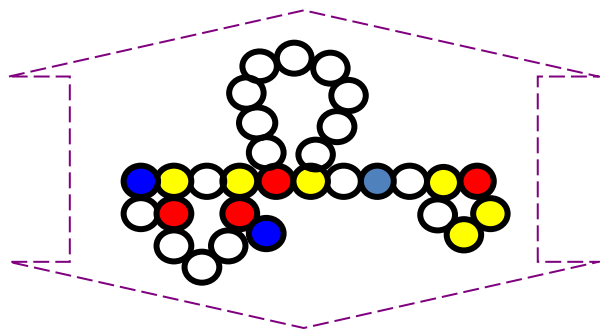
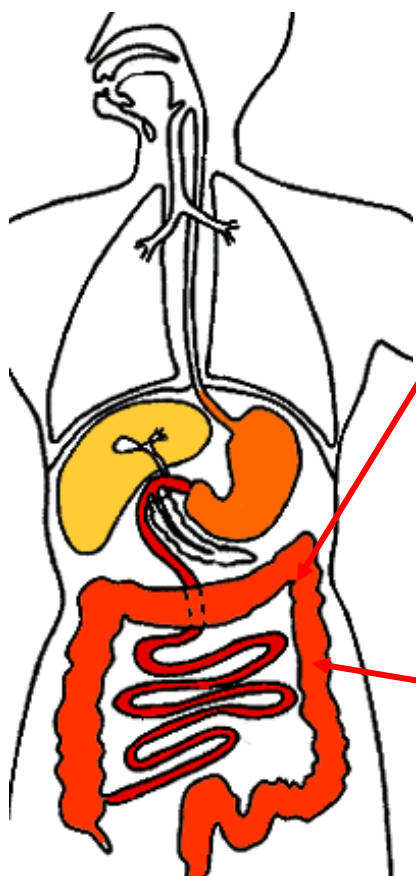


## UPLC-MS Approach to detect 30 Bile Acids





...a hidden organ

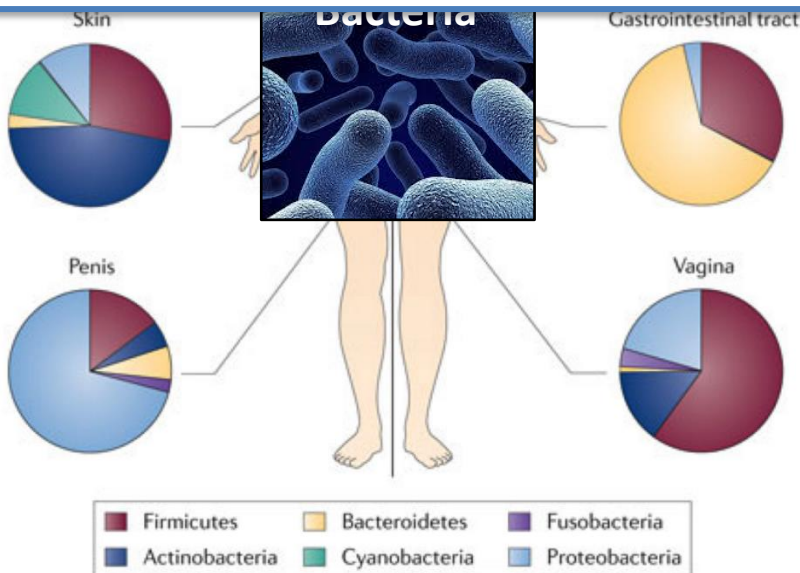


- More bacteria ( $10^{14}$ ) than human cells ( $10^{13}$ ) in the body
- Approx 2000 bacterial phylotypes in human intestine
- Significant metabolic activity

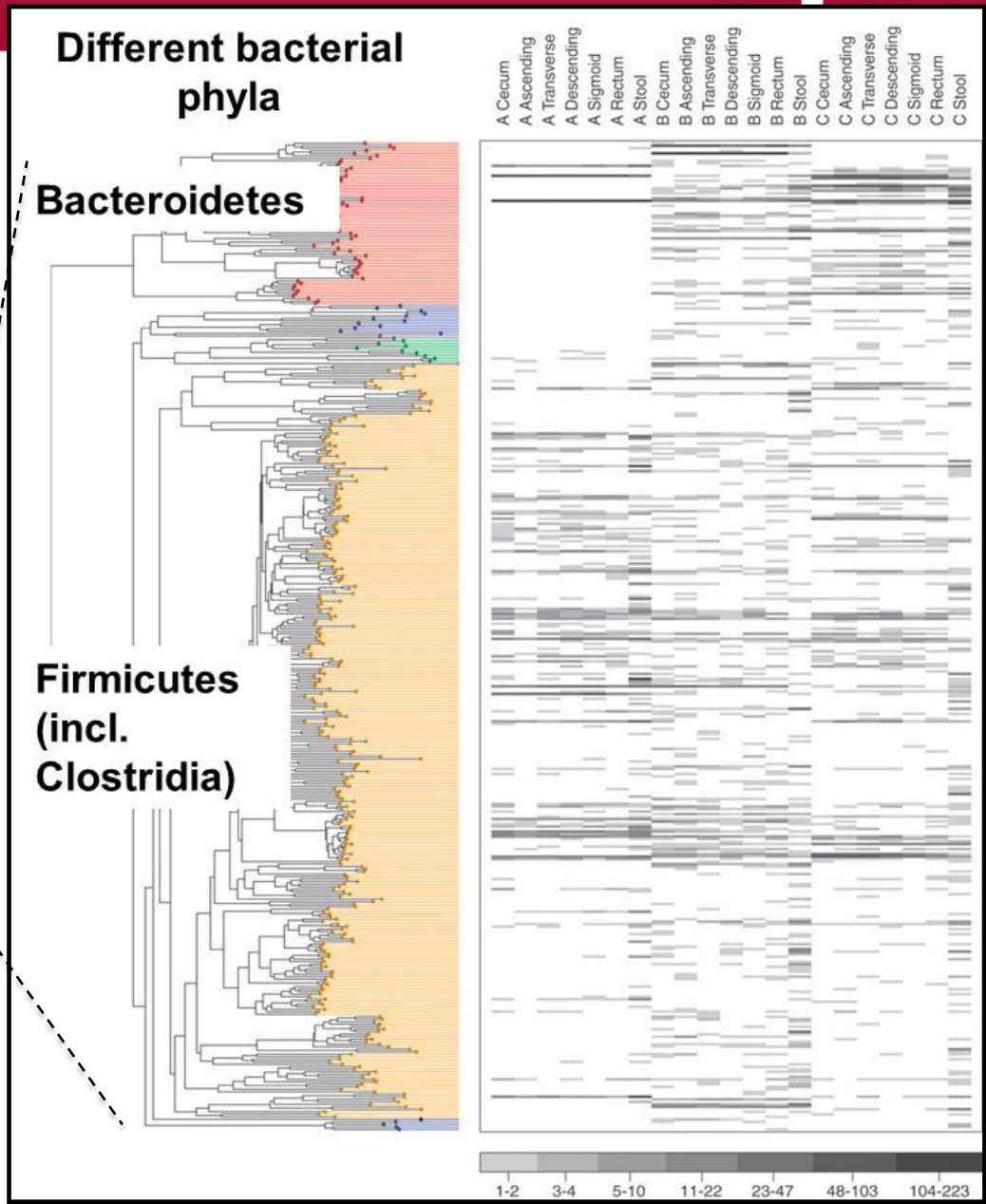
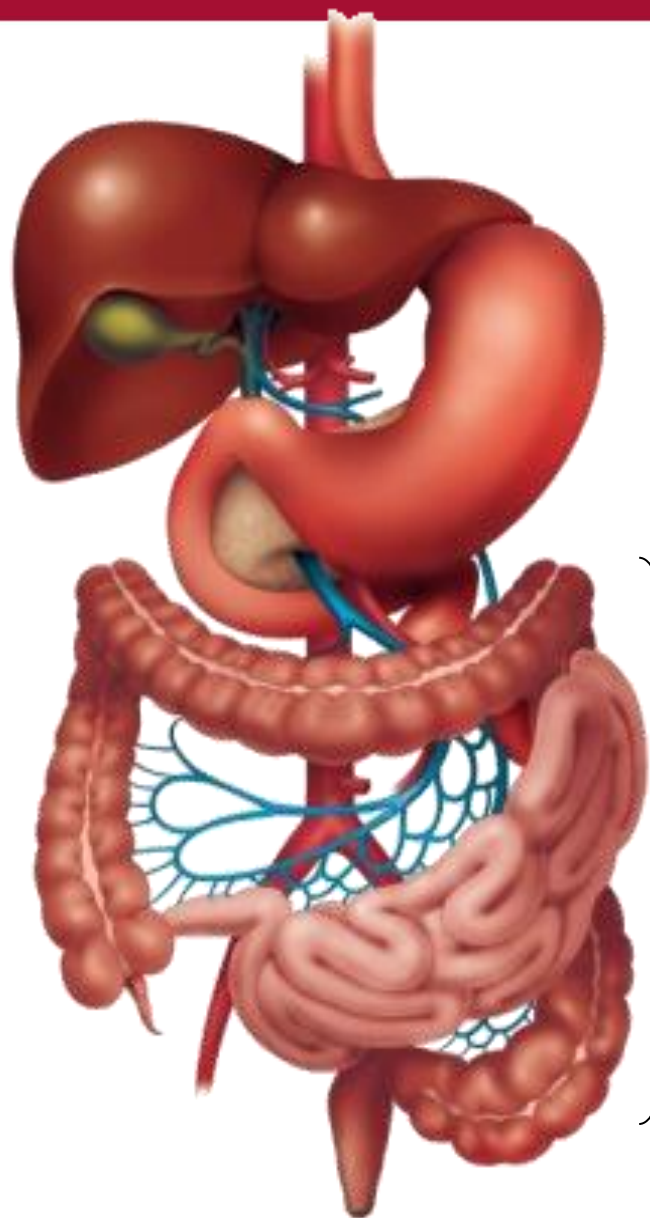
# The Human Superorganism



## Microbiologists – Our Time Has Come !

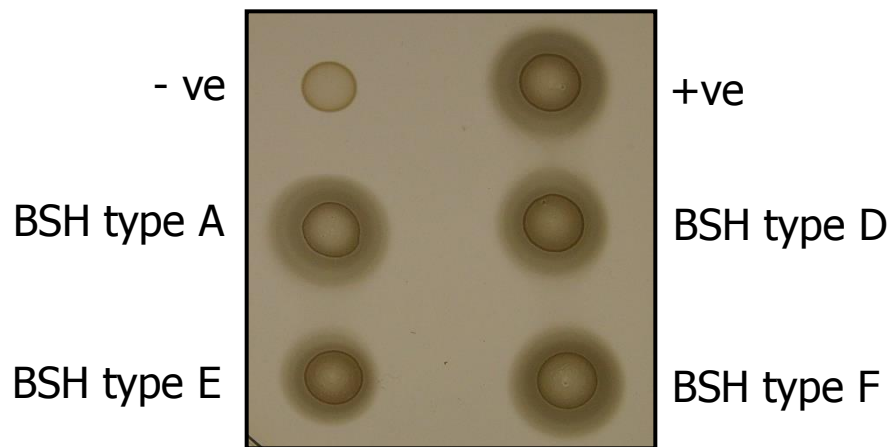


- Metabolism > Liver
- Energy extraction – fat deposition
- Immune stimulation
- Barrier to infection

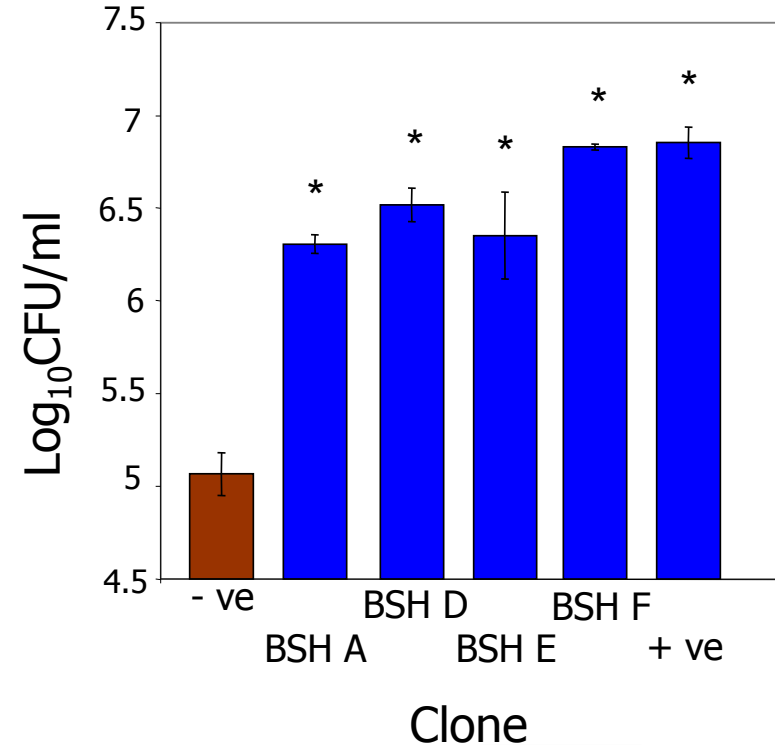


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Cloning and expression of gut BSH enzymes in *Listeria innocua*:

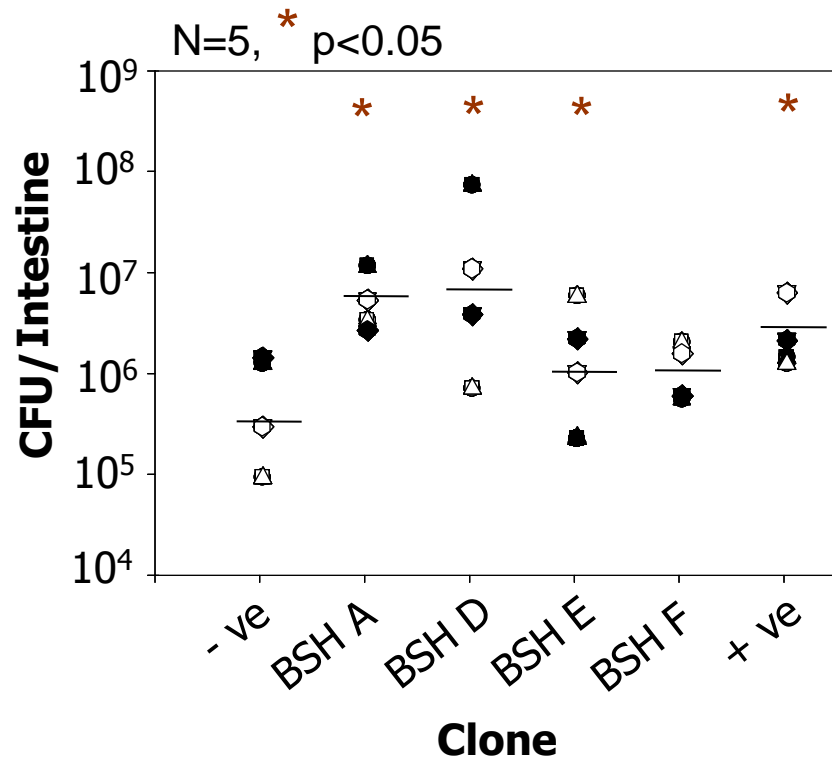
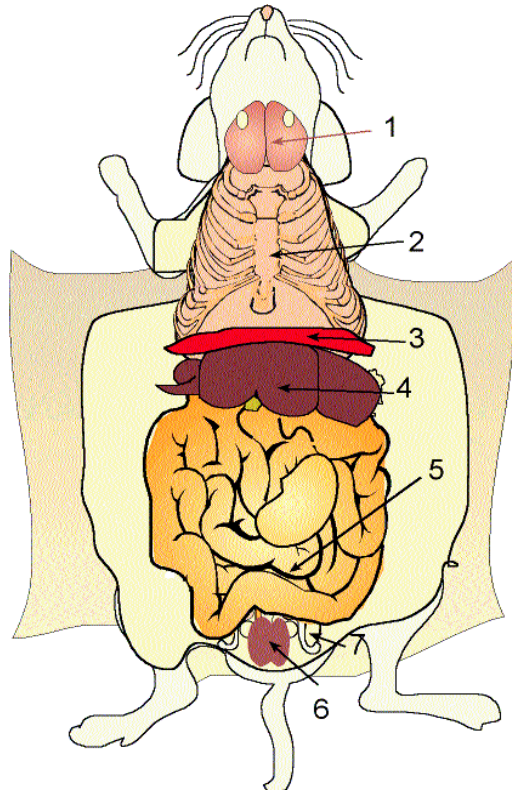


BSH enhances survival of *Listeria innocua* in bovine bile:



# BSH enhances gut colonization in conventional mice (day 3 PI)

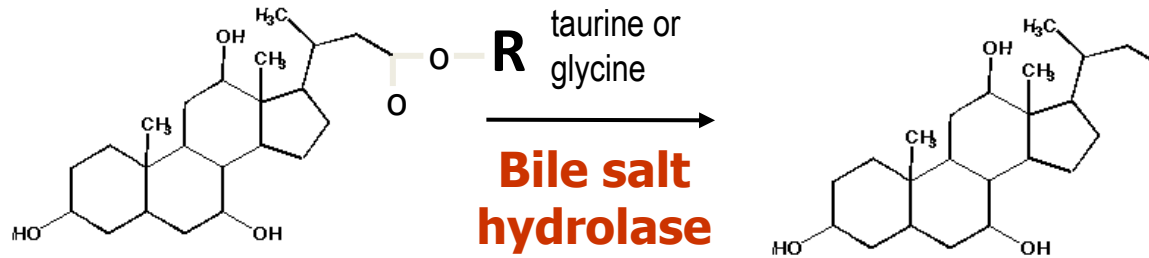
BSH expressed in *Listeria innocua*:



Jones, B, Begley, M *et al*, 2008. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA*, 105:13580-13585



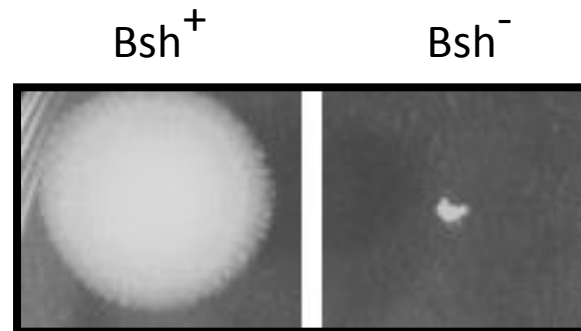
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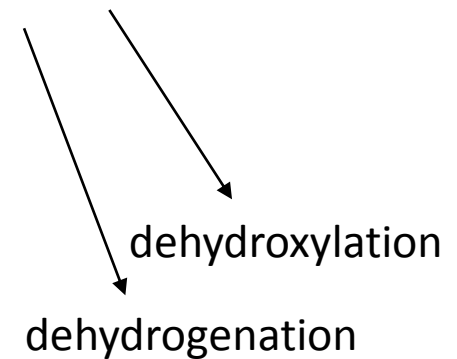
*Conjugated Bile acid*

*Unconjugated Bile acid*

BSH catalyses the  
'gateway reaction'

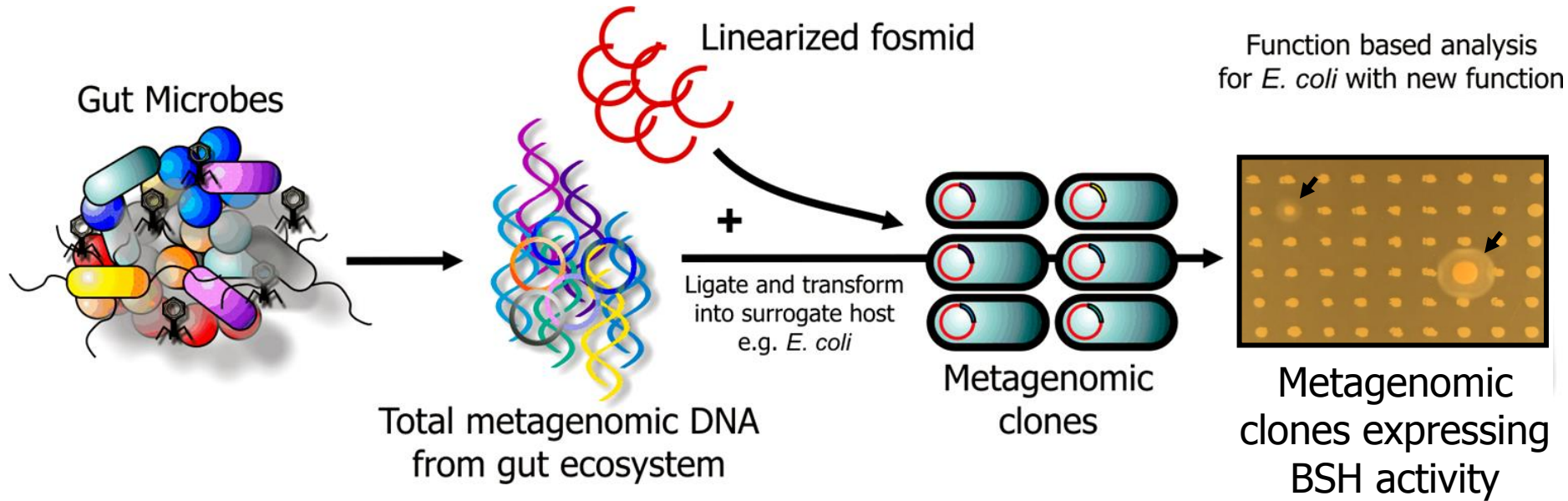


Precipitate on Tauro-Bile plates



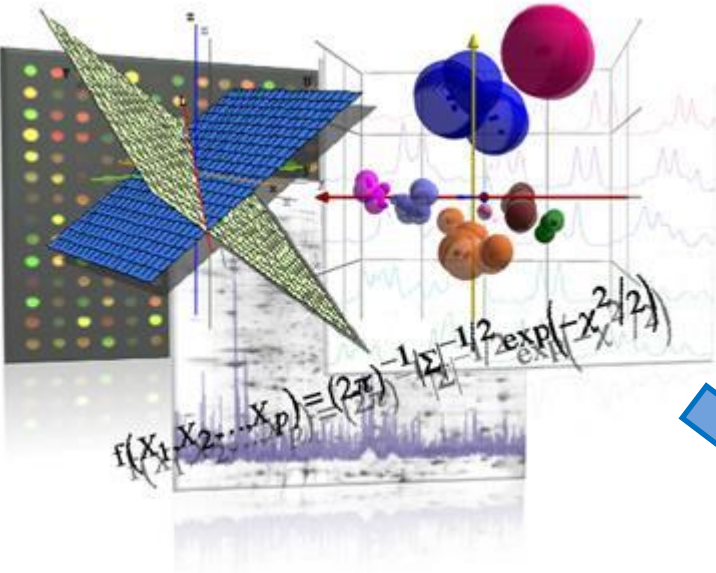
# Functional Metagenomics - diversity of BSH activity in gut bacteria

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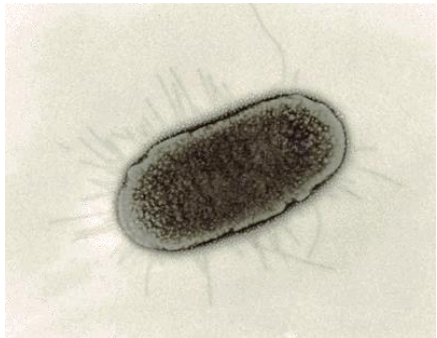
- High Mw DNA was extracted from a faecal sample from a healthy male
- Fosmid bank consisting of 89856 metagenomic clones

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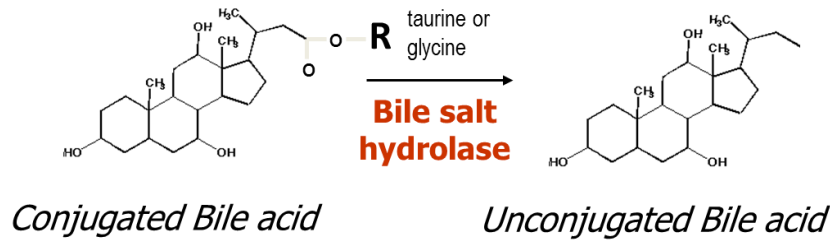


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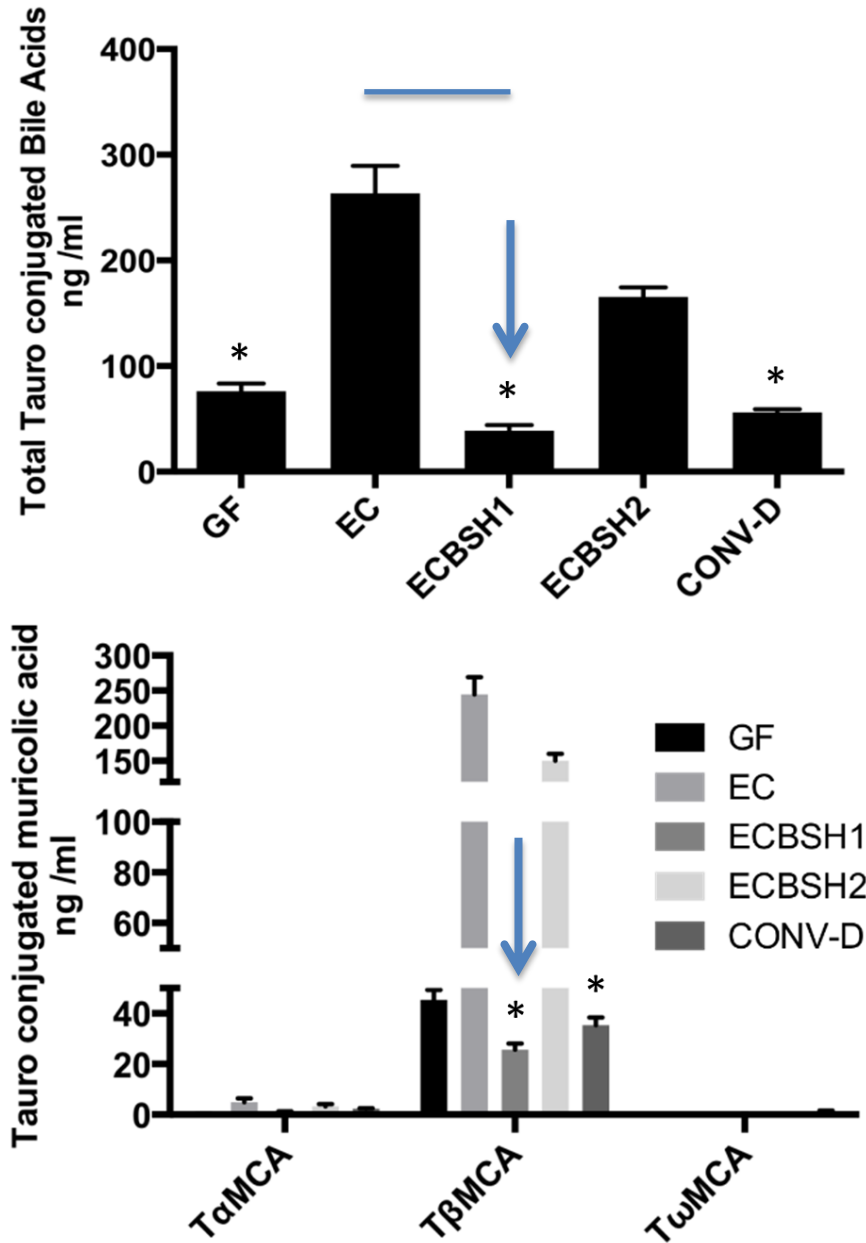
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# Intervention Alters Plasma Bile Acid Profiles in Mono-colonised Mice:

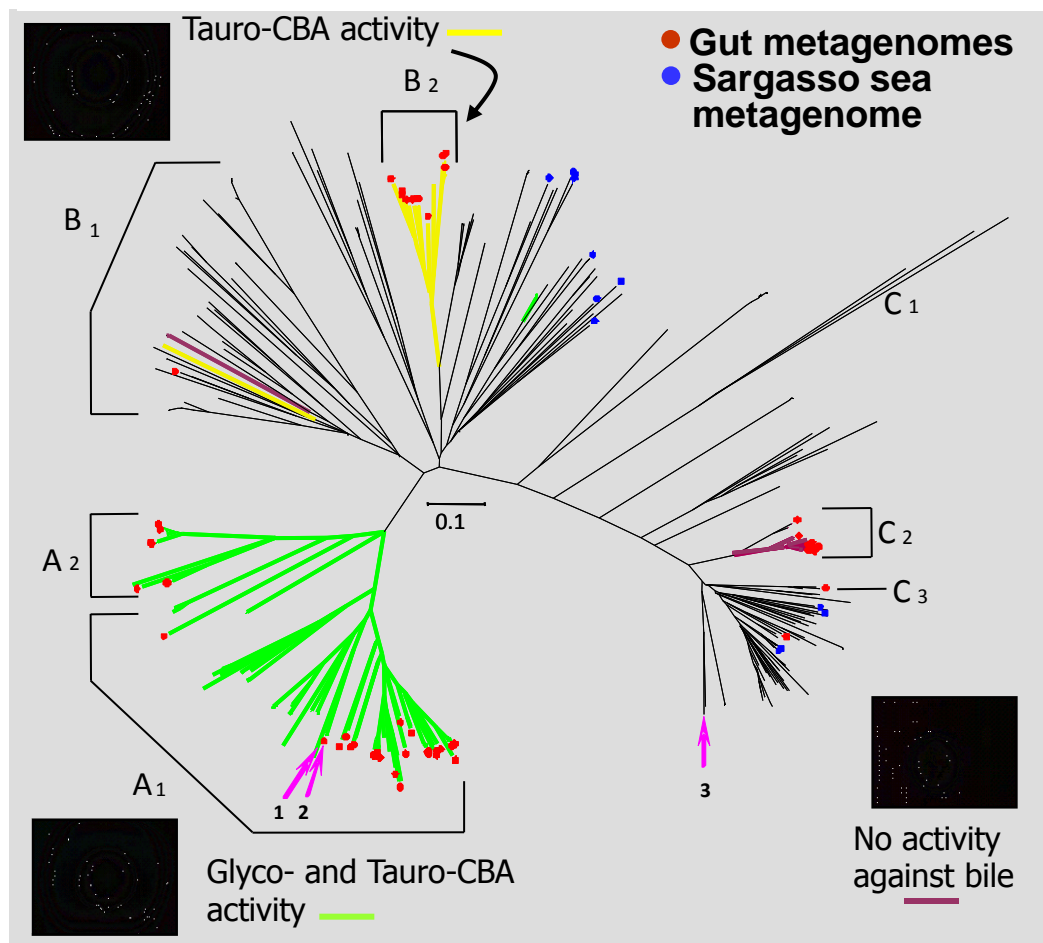
## Total Tauro-Conjugated Plasma Bile Acids



## Reduction in T $\beta$ MCA



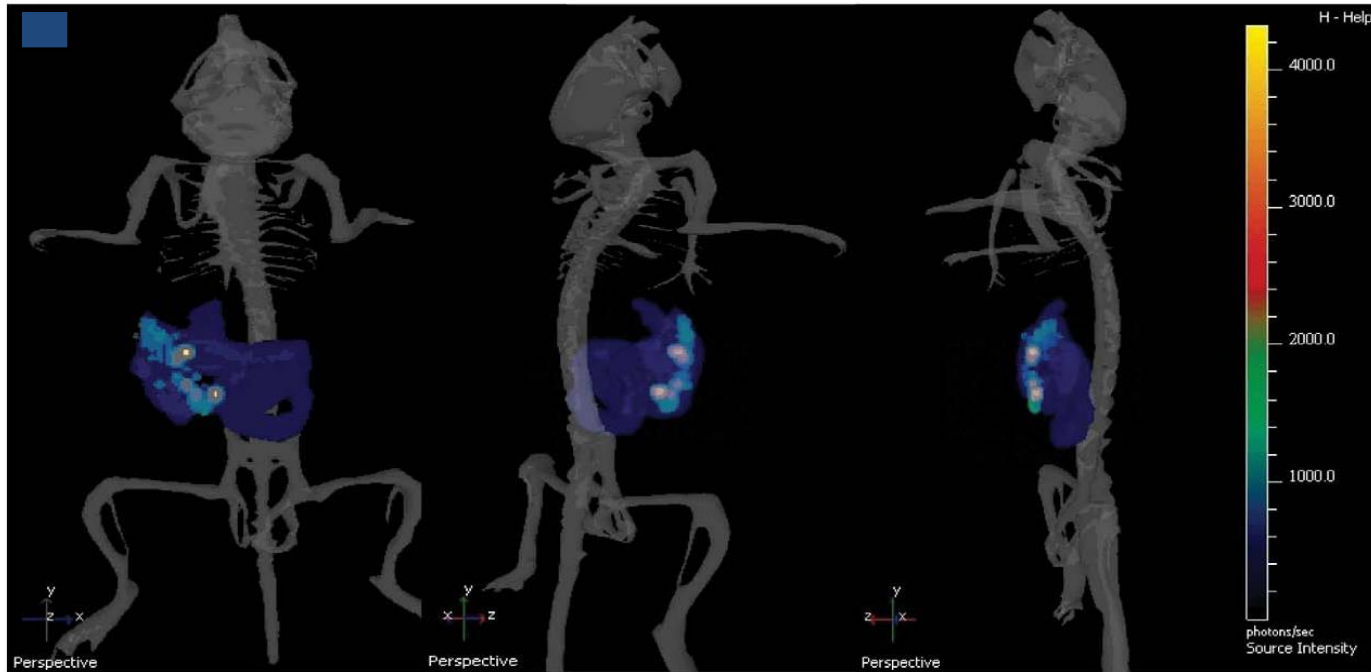
# Phylogenetic analysis of 400 *PVA*-*BSH* family sequences host-level selection in the gut



BSH - associated only with bacteria from the gut or gut pathogens (groups A and B)

A related enzyme - PVA is present in gut & non-gut bacteria but does not have BSH activity (group C)

Gut *Archea* (marked 1 and 2) have evolved potent BSH activity whereas non-gut *Archea* (marked 3) do not express active BSH



60 days - Strep

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# Quantitative UPLC-MS

Analyte	RT	FORMULA	Mol. Wt.
Taurine	0.75	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>7</sub> NO <sub>3</sub> S	124.0068
Dehydrocholic acid	1.71	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>34</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	498.2889
Tauro B Muricholic acid	1.87	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>44</sub> NO <sub>7</sub> S	514.28385
Deoxycholic Acid	1.9	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	391.2848
Taurodeoxycholic acid	3.39	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>44</sub> NO <sub>6</sub> S	498.2889
Taurocholic acid	4.82	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>45</sub> NO <sub>7</sub> S	514.2838
Alpha Muricholic acid	5.89	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	407.27975
Beta Muricholic acid	6.26	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	407.27975
Tauro-Chenodeoxycholic acid	8.39	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>44</sub> NO <sub>6</sub> S	498.2889
Ursodeoxycholic acid	8.57	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	391.2848
Cholic acid	11.76	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	407.27975
Taurolithocholic acid	14.252	C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>45</sub> NO <sub>5</sub> S	482.207
Chenodeoxycholic acid	17.63	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	391.2848
Lithocholic Acid	21.72	C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>40</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	375.2899



## Internal Standards: Deuterated Chenodeoxycholic acid and Cholic acid

