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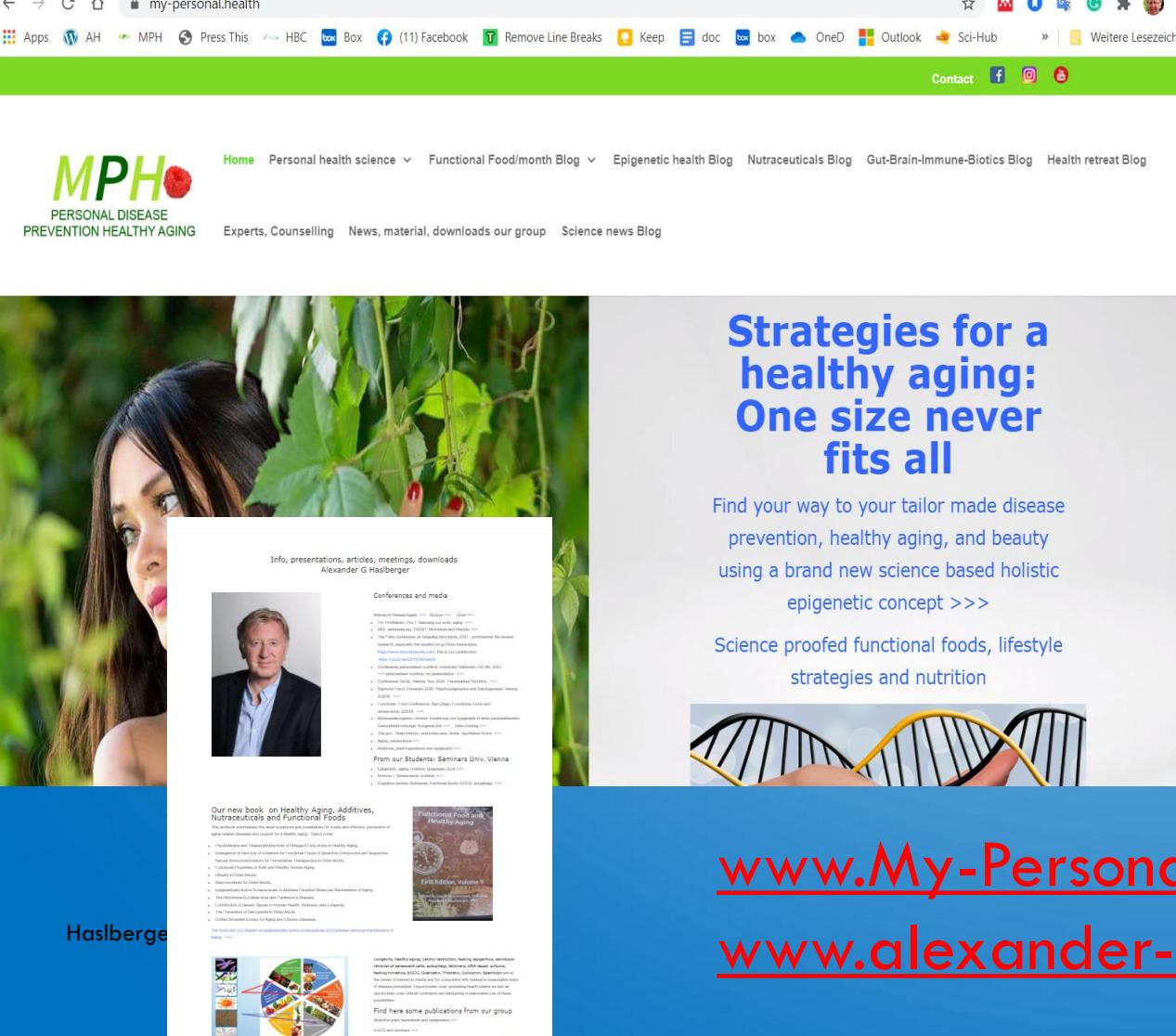
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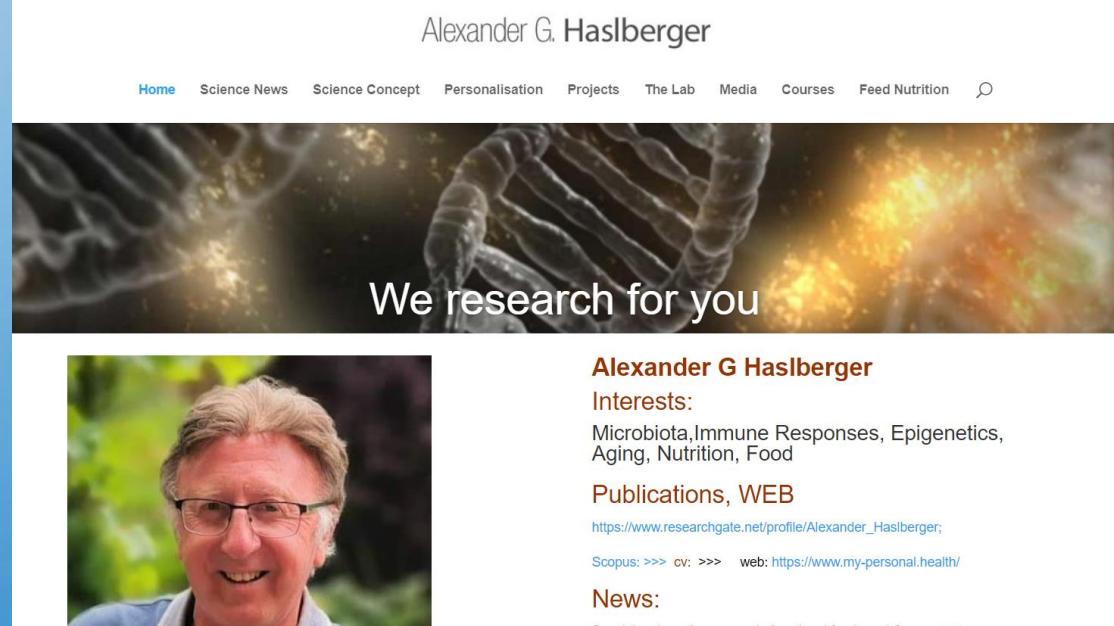
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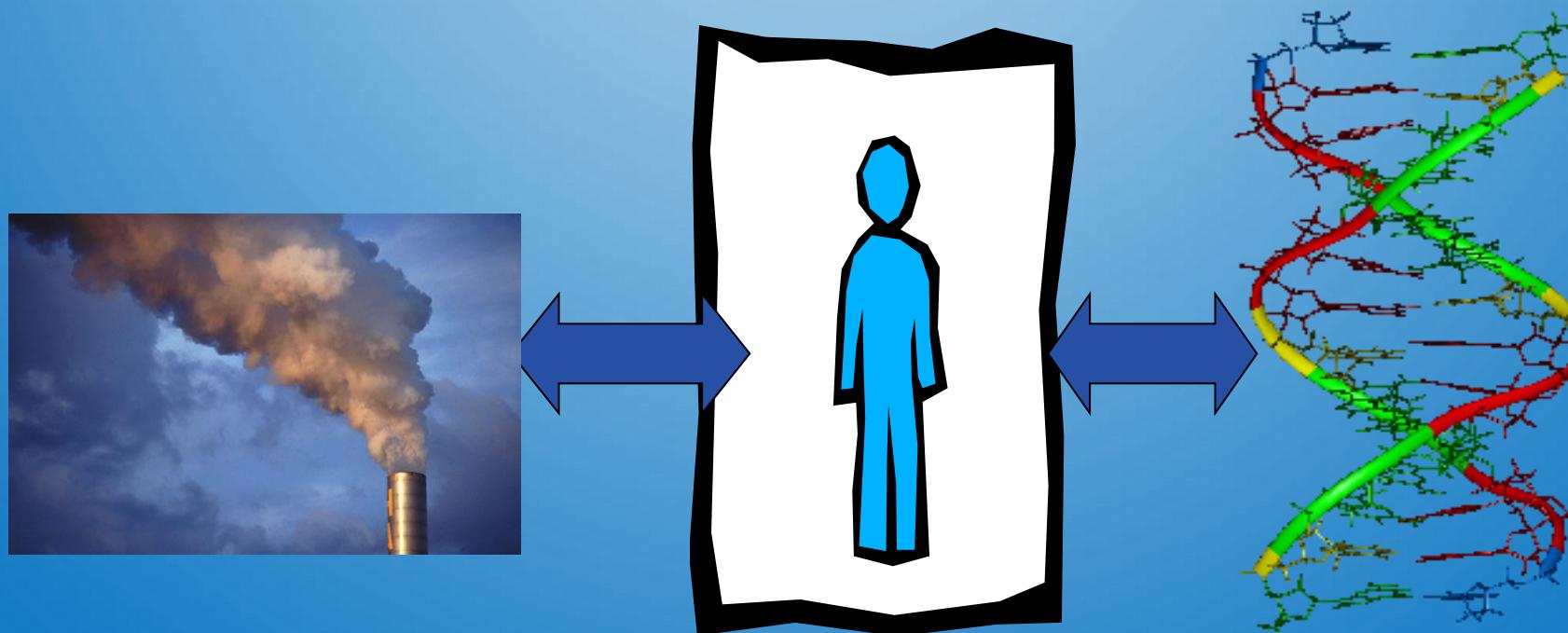
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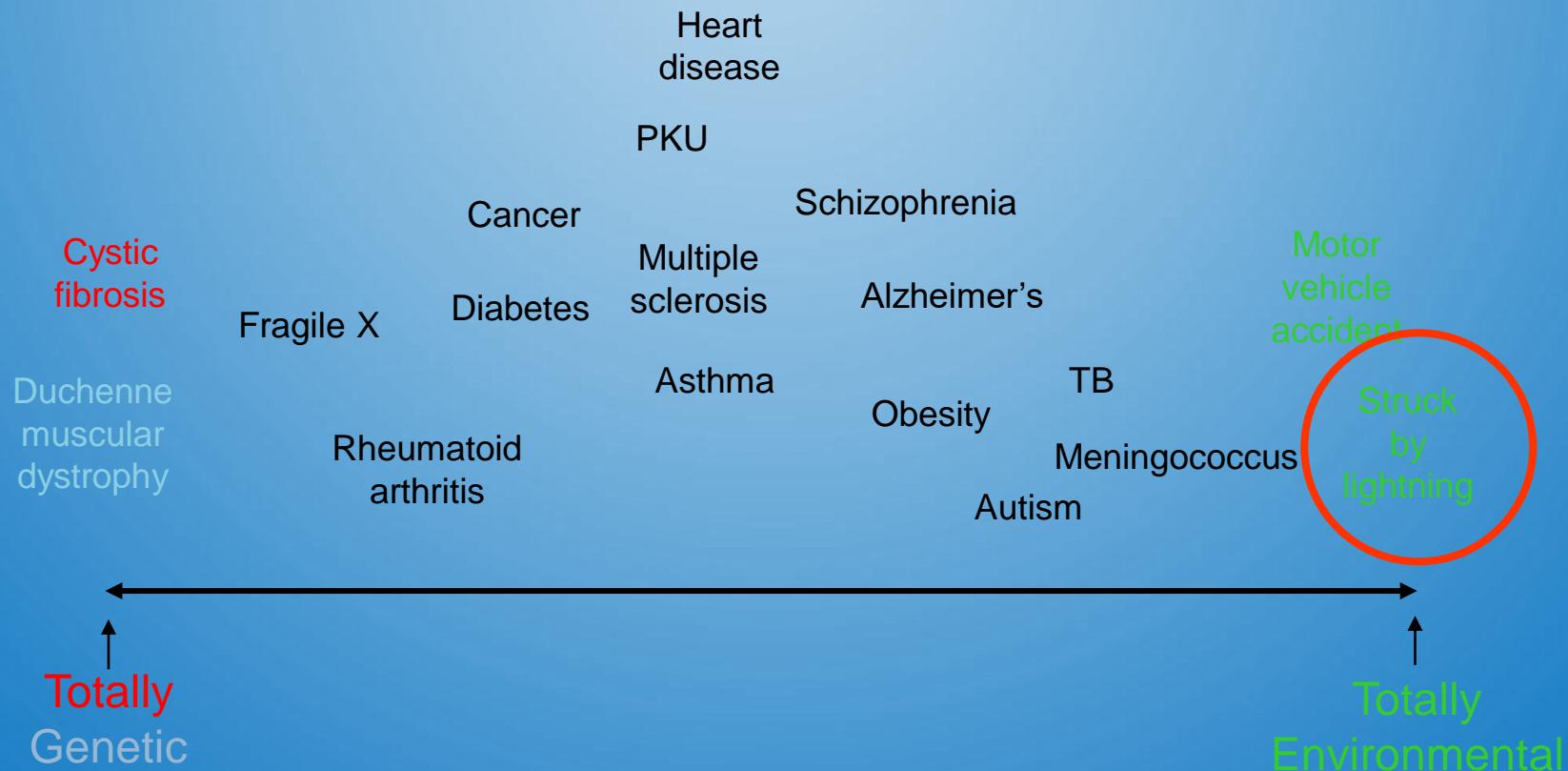
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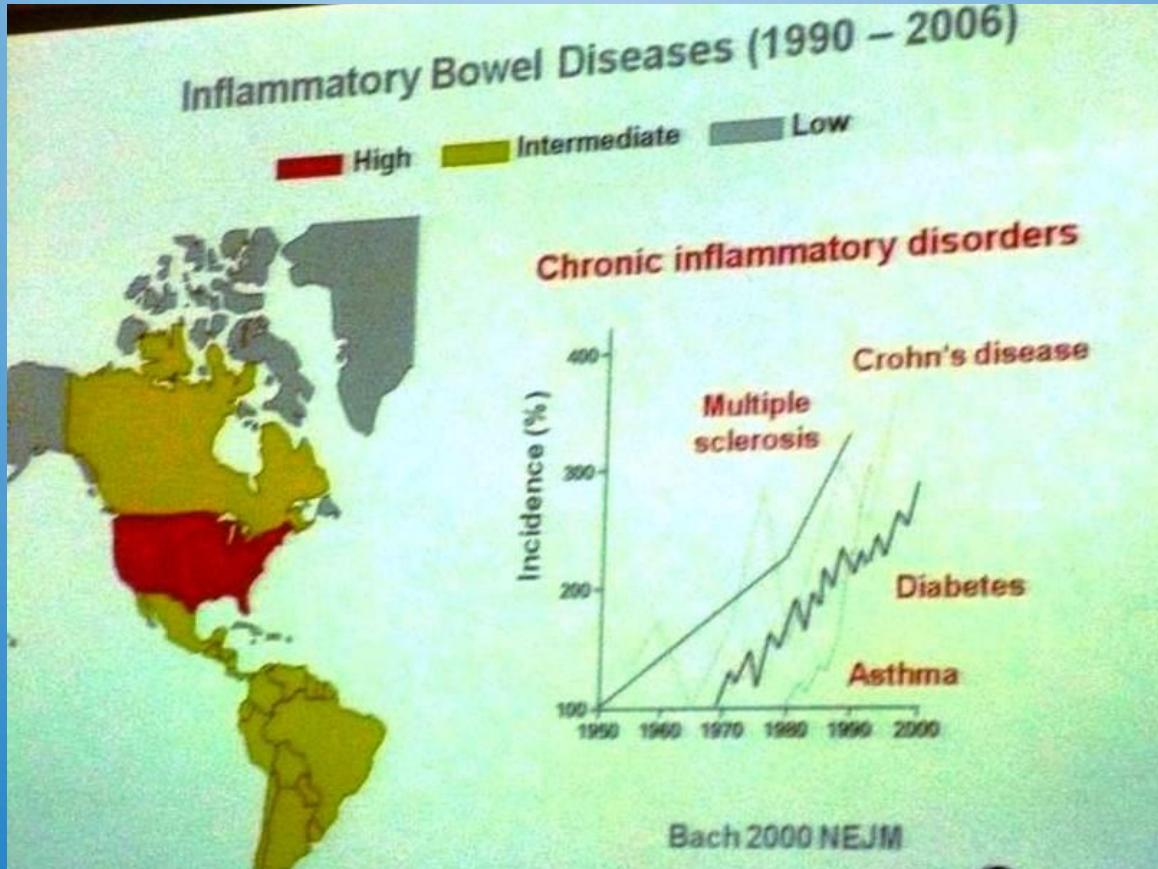
# HUMAN: FROM INSIDE OR OUTSIDE HEALTH?



# COMPLEX DISEASES: GEN-ENVIRONMENT



# COMPLEX DISEASES INCREASE FAST, WHAT CHANGES IN THE ENVIRONMENT ?

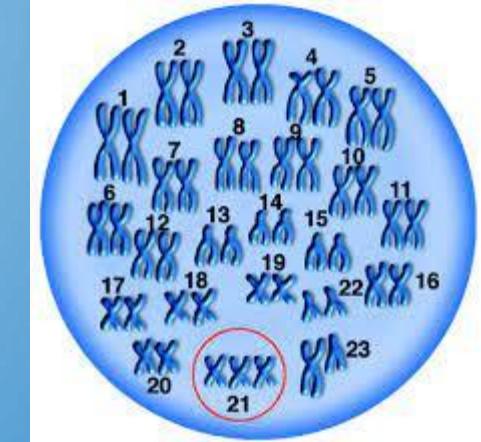


# GENETICS

- Human genetics- scientific study of human variation and Heredity
- Medical genetics - study of the hereditary nature of human disease
- Clinical genetics- Care, diagnosis and counseling of patients with congenital malformations or genetic diseases

# MUTATIONS

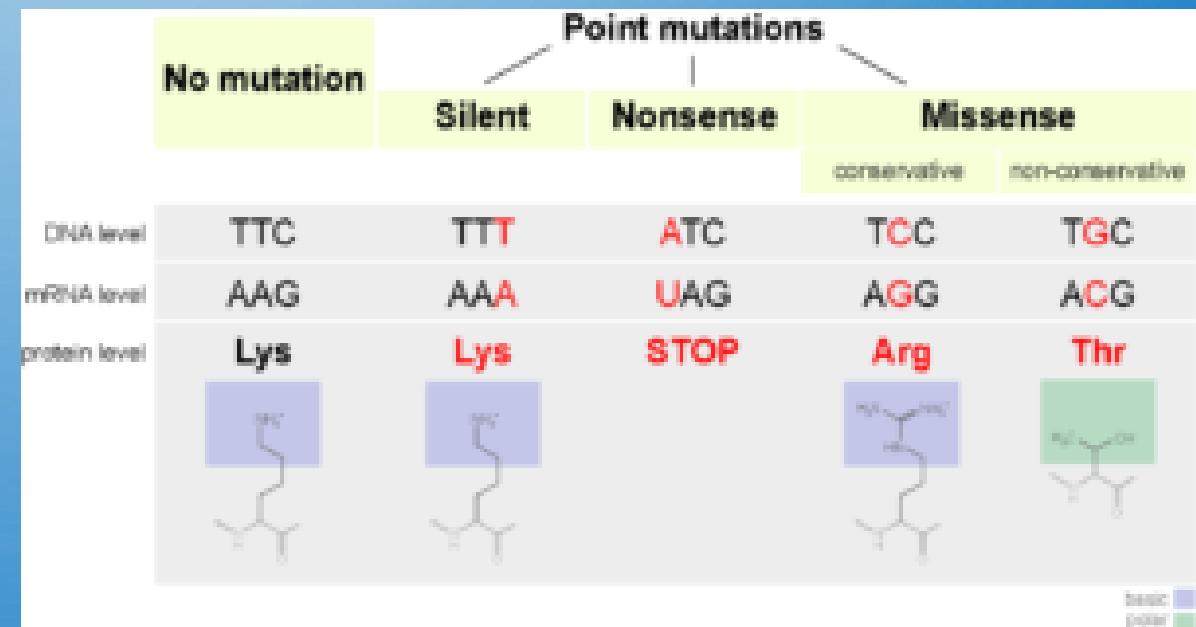
- Deletions- ranging from 1 bp to mega base
- Insertions- including duplications
- Single base substitution-
- Missense mutations, replace one amino acid with another in the gene product
- Nonsense mutations replace one amino acid codon with a stop codon
- Splice site mutations create or destroy signals for exon/intron splicing
- Frame shifts can be produced by deletions, insertions or splice mutations



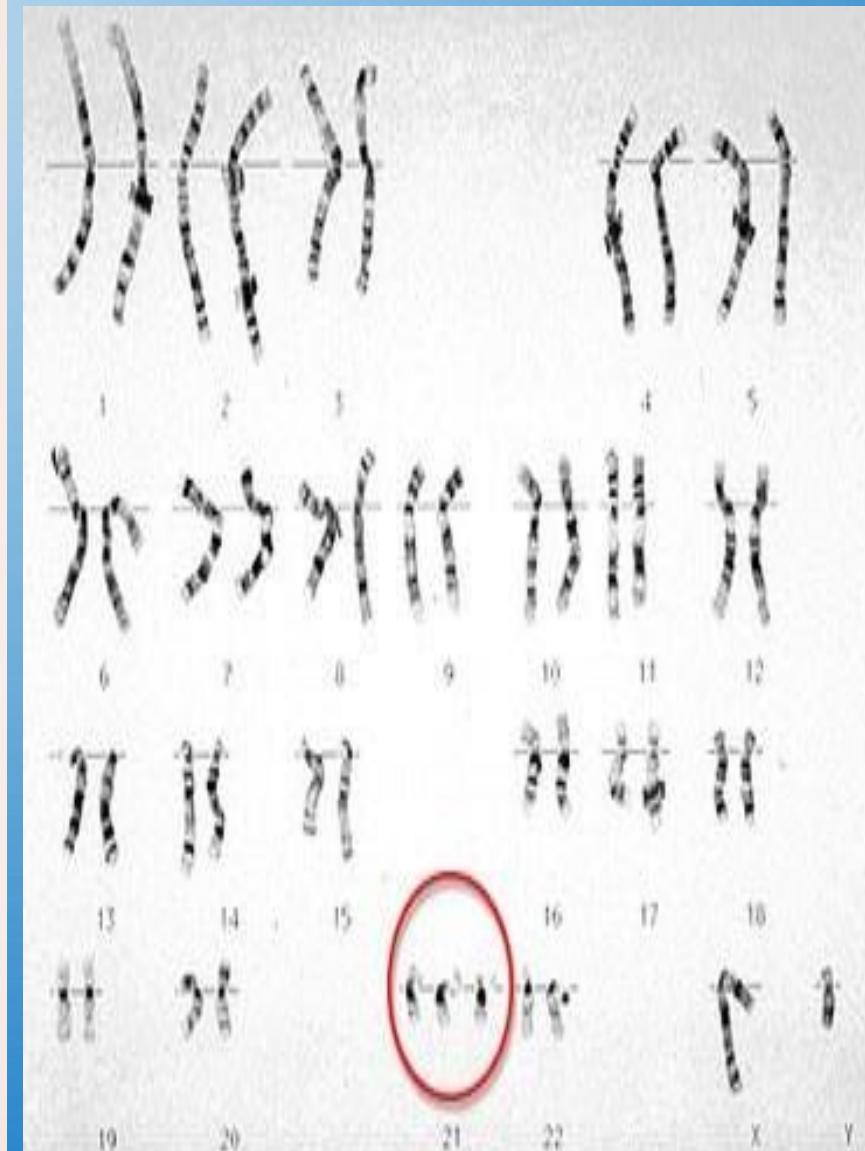
# MUTATION- FUNCTIONAL CHANGE

- Loss of function mutations
- Gain of function mutations

normal	AUG	GCC	TGC	AAA	GCG	TGG	
	met	ala	cys	lys	arg	trp	
silent	AUG	GCT	TGC	AAA	GCG	TGG	
	met	ala	cys	lys	arg	trp	
nonsense	AUG	GCC	TGA	AAA	GCG	TGG	
	met	ala	—	—	—	—	
missense	AUG	GCC	GCG	AAA	GCG	TGG	
	met	ala	arg	lys	arg	trp	
frameshift (deletion -1)	AUG	GC-	TGC	AAA	GCG	TGG	
	met	ala	glu	asn	ala		
frameshift (insertion +1)	AUG	GCC	C	TGC	AAA	GCG	TGG
	met	ala	leu	gln	thr	leu	
inversion (Hasberger 2022)	AUG	GCC	C	TGC	AAA	-GC	TGG
	met	ala	leu	gln	thr	trp	

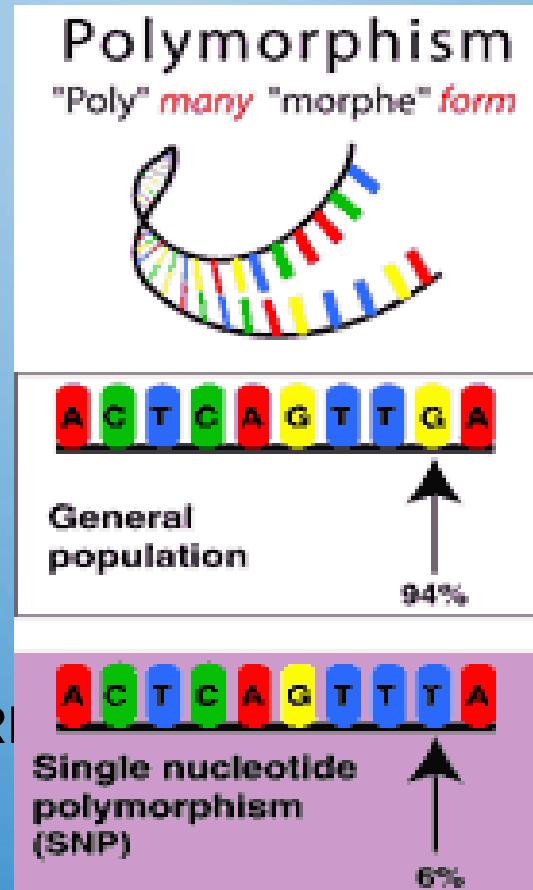


# DOWN SYNDROME



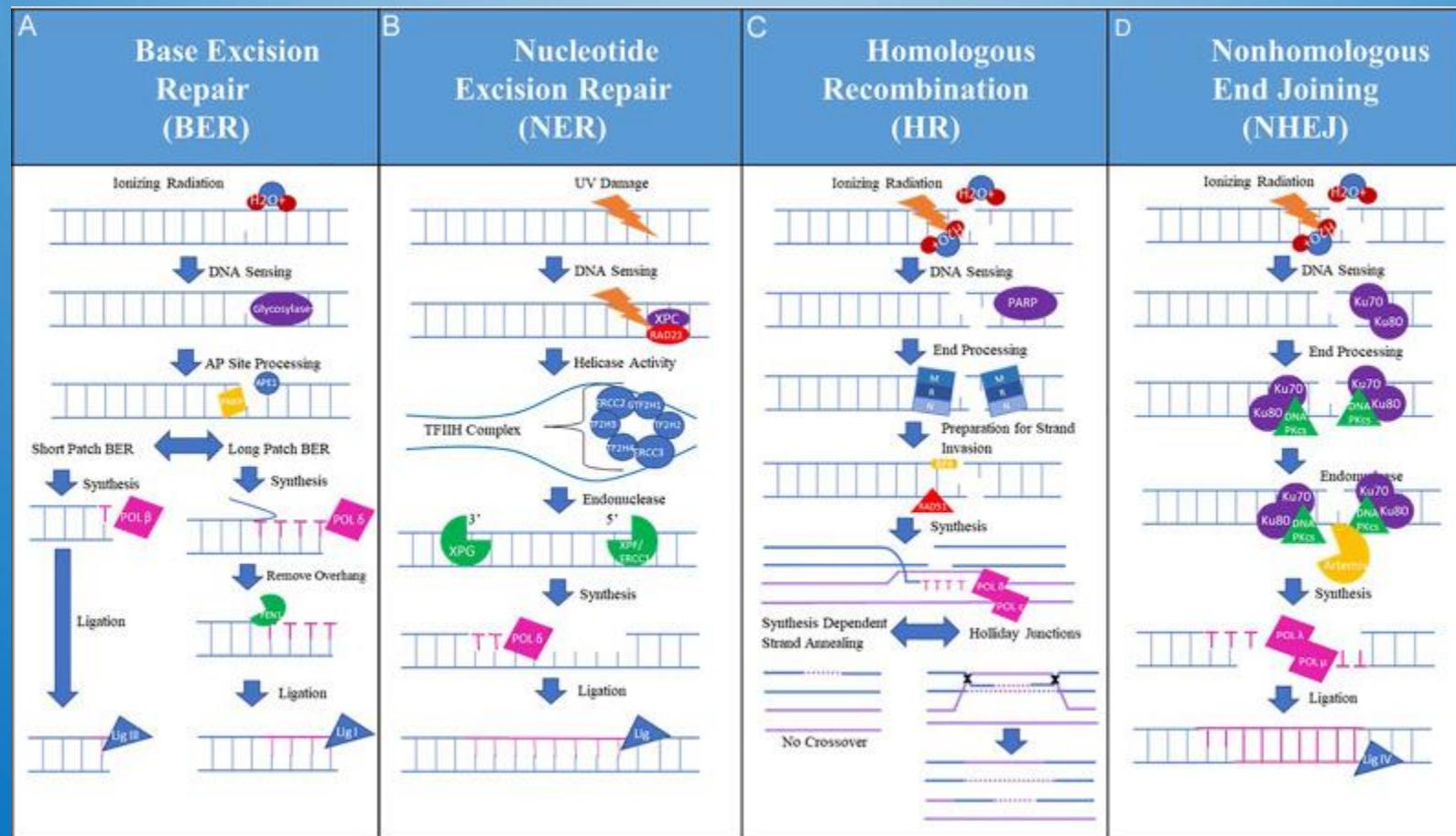
# SNPS ( 90 % OF VARIATION)

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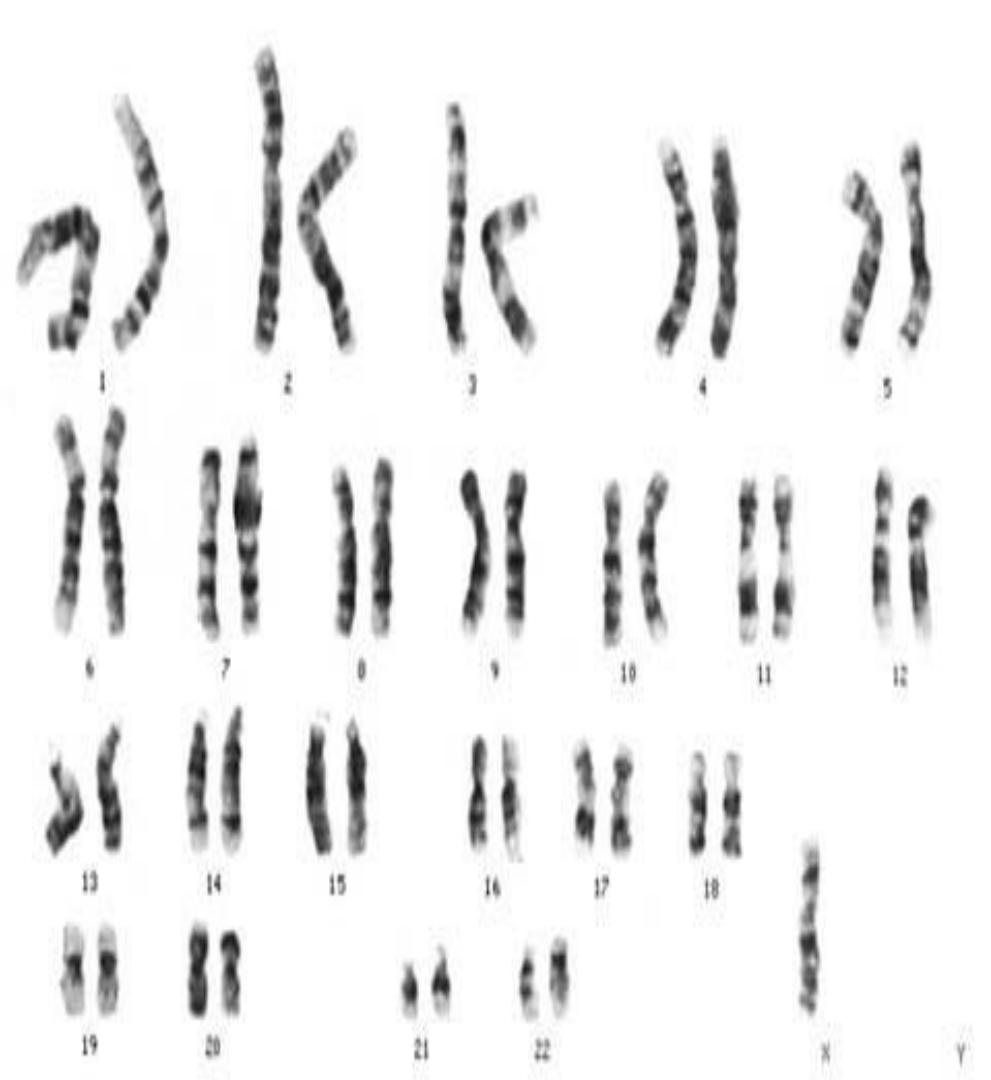
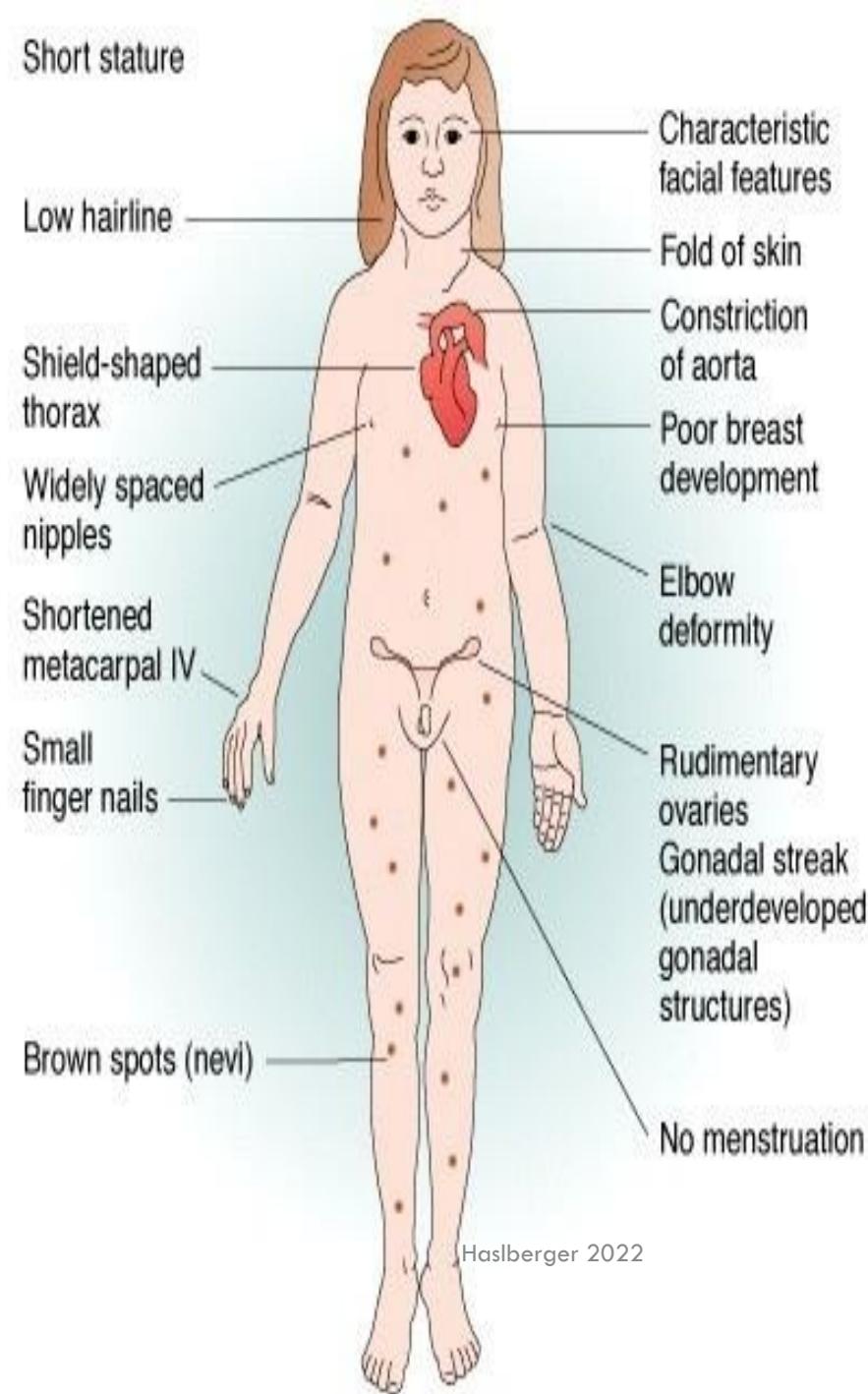


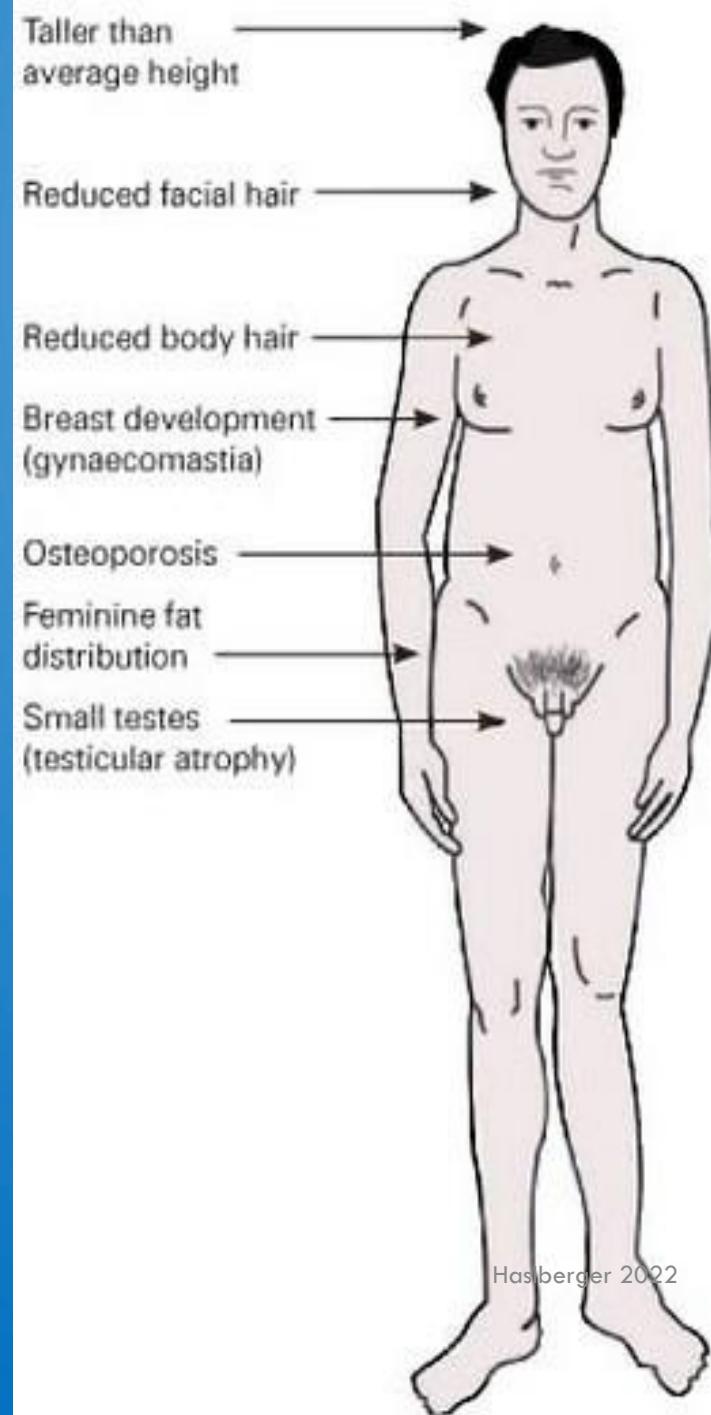
**Single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs)** are common DNA sequence variations among individuals.

# DNA REPAIR

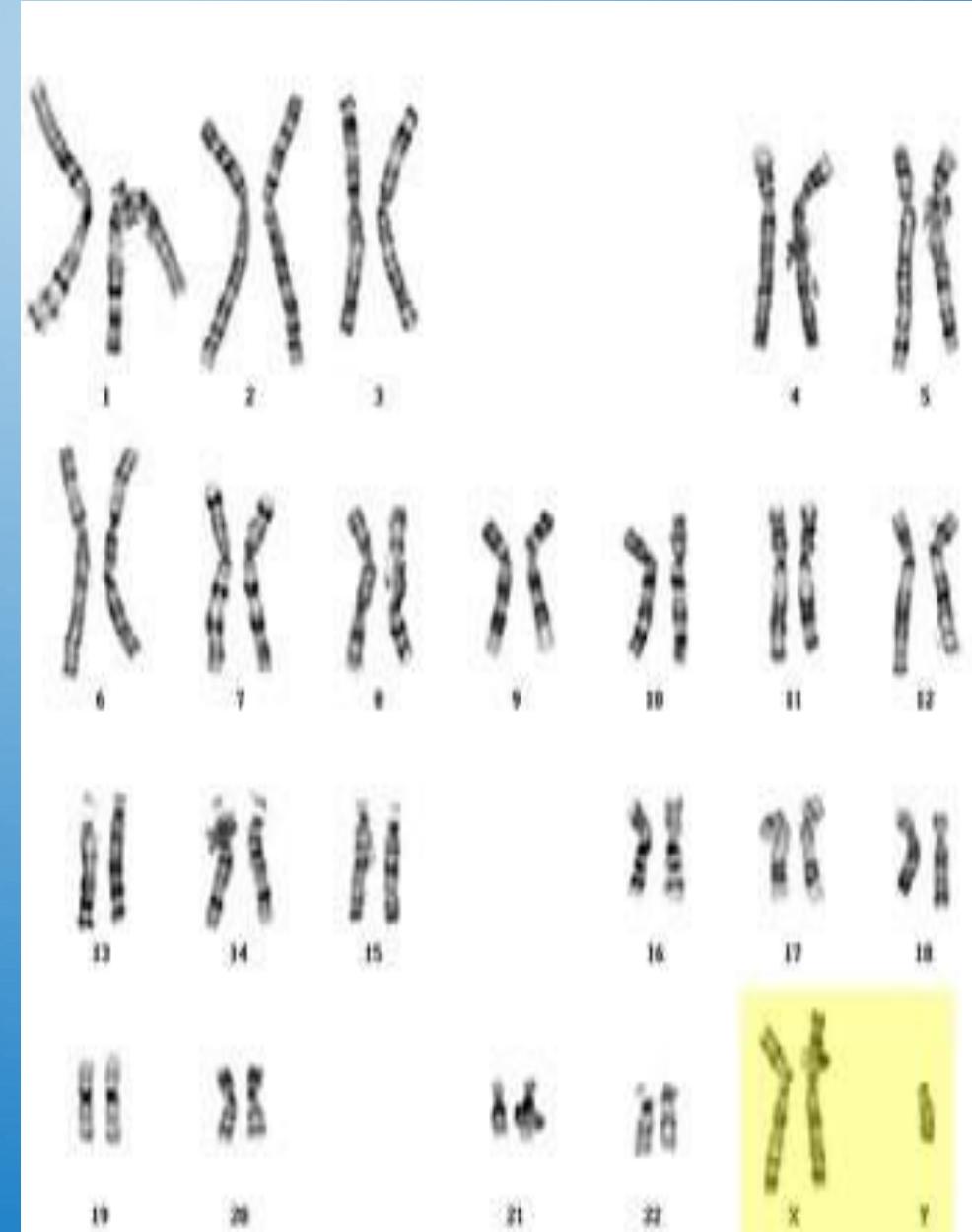


# TURNER SYNDROM





# KLINEFELTER SYNDROME



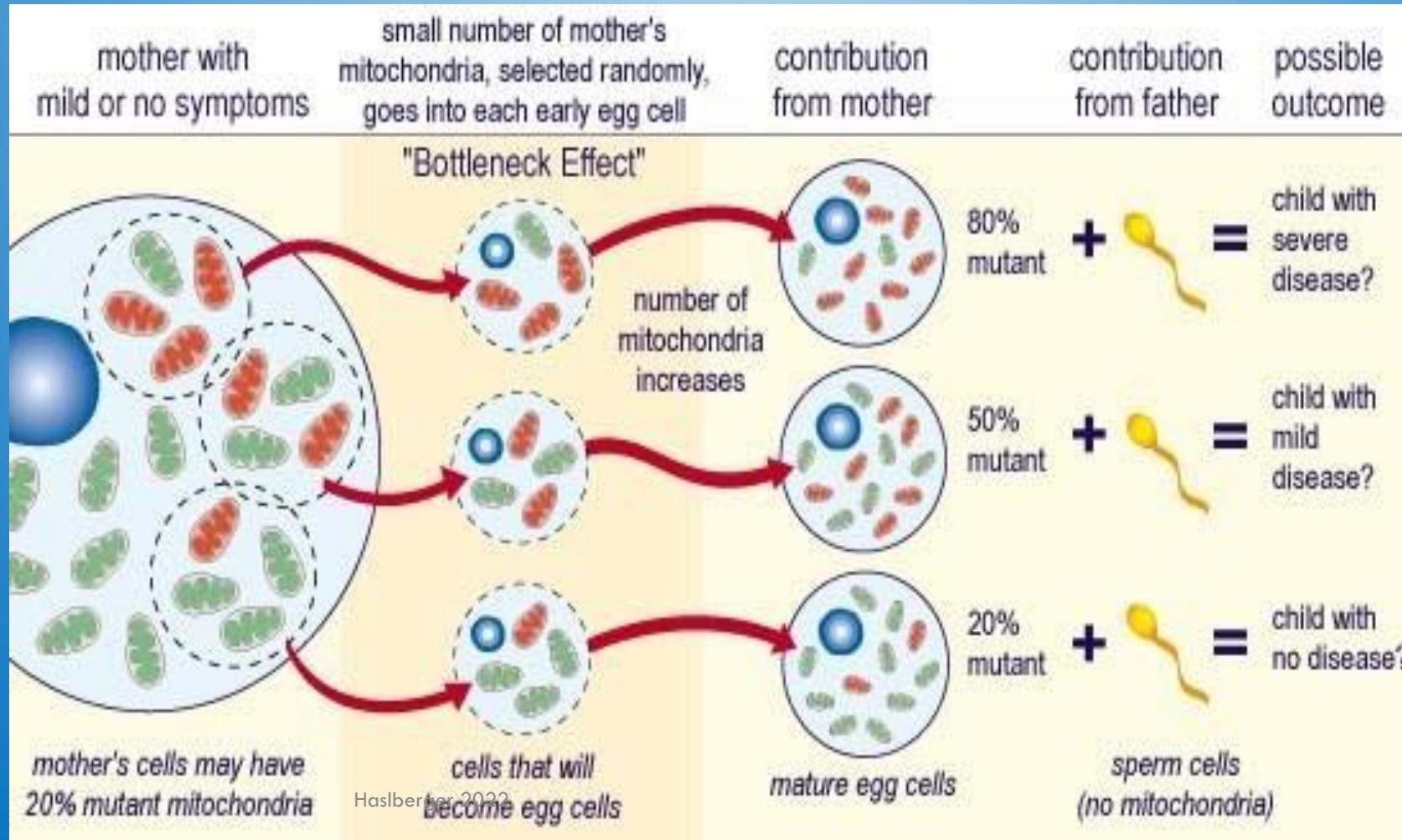
# FRAGILE X SYNDROME



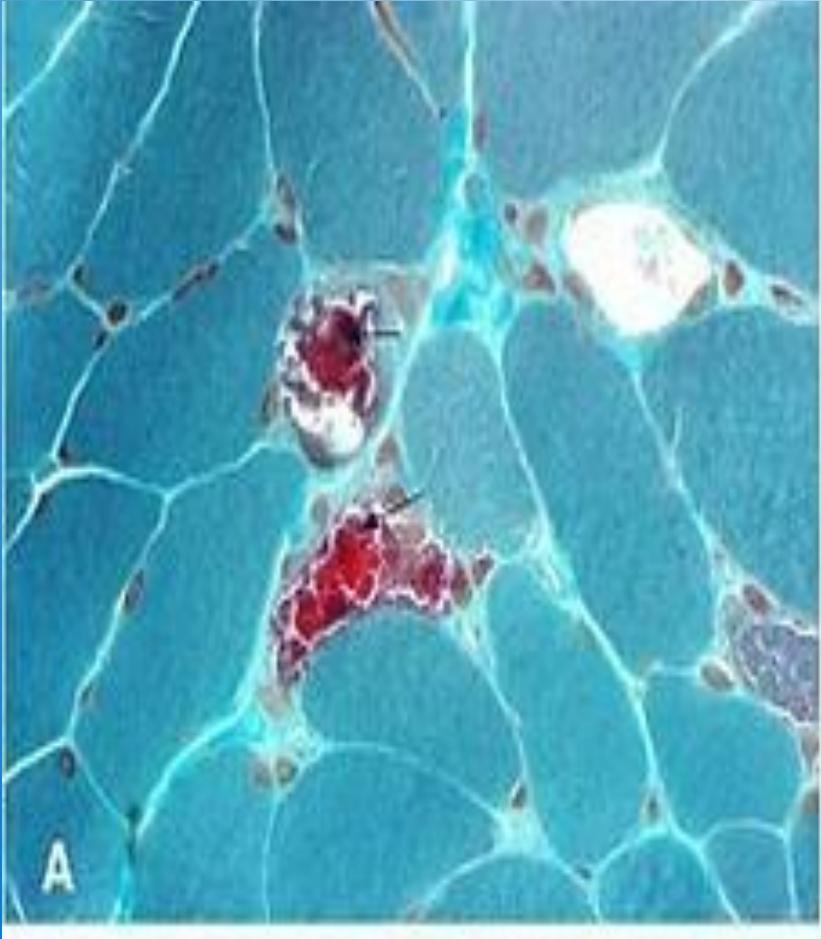
# MITOCHONDRIAL INHERITANCE

- Matrilineal inheritance
- Variable clinical manifestation due to heteroplasmy

# MITOCHONDRIAL INHERITANCE



# MITOCHONDRIAL DISEASE

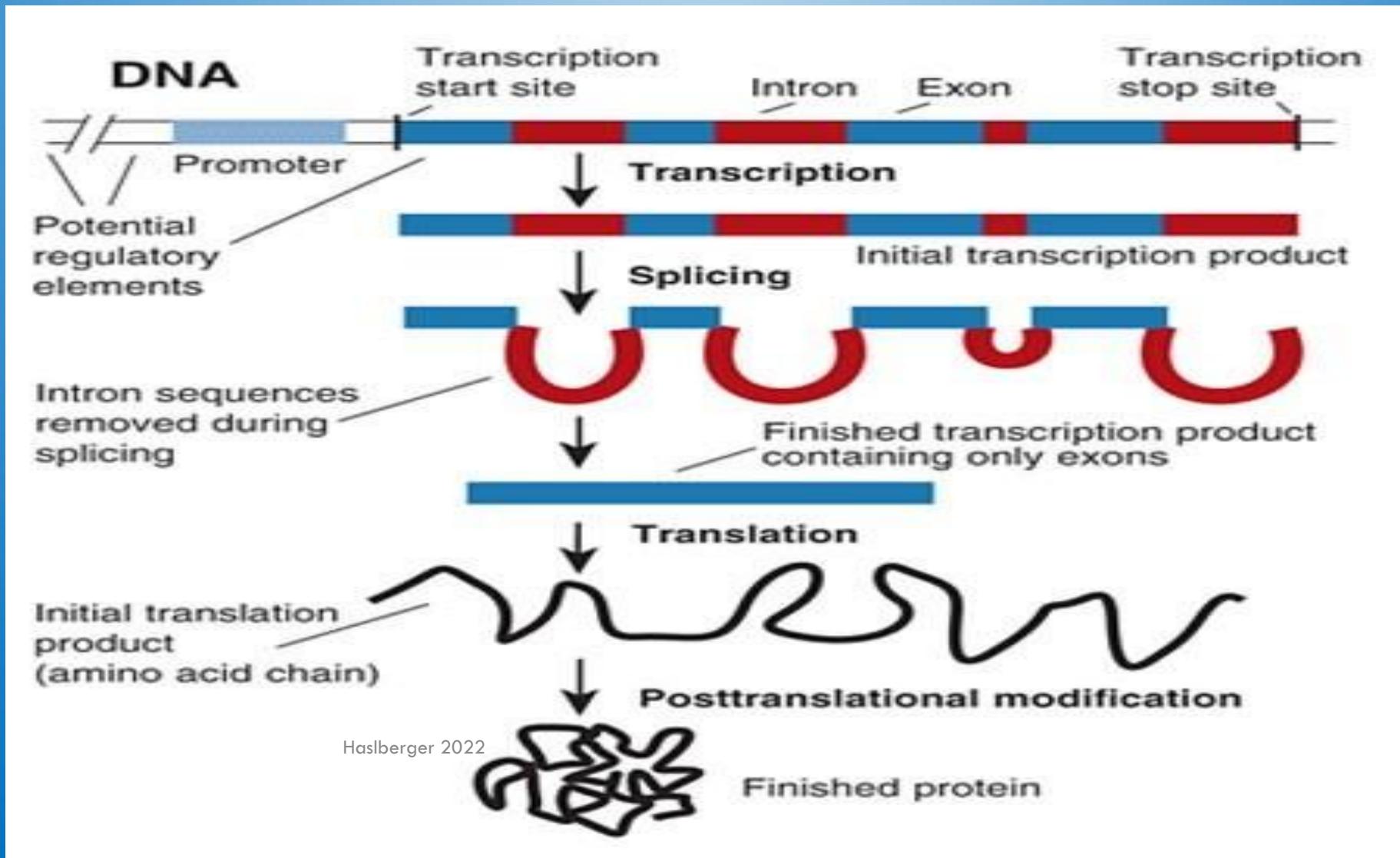


- *RAGGED RED FIBERS* - CLUMPS OF DISEASED MITOCHONDRIA ACCUMULATE IN THE SUBSARCOLEMMAL REGION OF THE MUSCLE FIBER AND APPEAR AS "RAGGED RED FIBERS" WHEN MUSCLE IS STAINED WITH MODIFIED GÖMÖRI TRICHROME STAIN

# Complex traits

- DIABETES MELLITUS,  
HYPERTENSION, MENTAL  
DISORDERS ETC
  - Gene and environment interaction
  - Population studies
  - Family studies

# GENES STRUCTURE AND PROTEIN SYNTHESIS



# INTRODUCTION TO HGP

- ❖ The **Human Genome Project (HGP)** was an international scientific research project that aimed to determine the **complete sequence of nucleotide base pairs** that make up human DNA and all the genes it contains.
- ❖ It remains the world's largest collaborative biological project.
- ❖ The idea was picked up in **1984** by the **us government** when the planning started, the project was formally launched in **1990** and was declared complete in **2003**.

# INTRODUCTION TO HGP

- ❖ The Human Genome Project originally aimed to map the nucleotides contained in a **human haploid reference genome**.
- ❖ The "genome" of any given individual is unique; mapping the "human genome" involved **sequencing** the genomes of a small number of individuals and then **assembling** these together to get a complete sequence for each **chromosome**.
- ❖ The finished human genome is thus a **mosaic**, not representing any one individual.

# GOALS OF HGP

- To identify and map all the **20,000-25,000 genes** (approx) in the human DNA from a physical and functional standpoint.
- To determine the sequences of the **3 billion chemical base pairs** that make up the human DNA.
- To store these informations in **databases**.
- To discover more **efficient technologies** for data analysis.
- Allow the private sector **access** to the informations and technologies that arise from this project.
- Also to **sequence the genomes of other organisms** that are important in medical research such as mouse, Drosophila etc.,
- To address ethical, legal and social issues.

# PIONEERS IN HGP

- **Robert Sinsheimer** proposed the idea of sequencing the human genome in the year 1985.
- **Charles DeLisi** and **David Smith** proposed the budget for Human Genome Project.
- HGP act was passed in the US congress under **President Regan** in 1988.
- **James Watson** headed the NIH Genome Program.
- **Francis Collins** succeeded James Watson in 1993 as the overall Project Head and the Director of the NIH (which later become the National Human Genome Research Institute **NHGRI**) and was in power until the completion of HGP in 2003.

# TIMELINE OF HGP

- **1970** – FREDRICK SANGER DEVELOPED A TECHNIQUE FOR DNA SEQUENCING, KNOWN AS THE SANGER'S METHOD OF DNA SEQUENCING.
- **1985** - ROBERT SINSHEIMER AT UCSC PROPOSED THE IDEA OF SEQUENCING THE HUMAN GENOME.
- **1986** - THE U.S. DEPT OF ENERGY AND THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH CAME FORWARD TO FUND THE HUMAN GENOME PROJECT.

**1989** - U.K's medical research council (MRC) joined the Human Genome Project.

# TIMELINE OF HGP

**1990** – HGP was officially launched with James Watson as its Project Director.  
the 1<sup>st</sup> gene to be mapped was BRCA1, which is the gene for breast cancer.

**1993** - 1<sup>st</sup> 5 year plan for HGP was published.  
Sanger Institute(UK) joins HGP.

**1994** – HGP's Human genetic mapping goal was achieved.

**1995** - Genetic privacy act was passed.  
1<sup>st</sup> bacterial genome was sequenced  
(Hemophilus influenzae)

**1996** – 1<sup>st</sup> Human Gene map was published.  
Yeast genome was sequenced.  
HGP's mouse genetic mapping goal was achieved.

# TIMELINE OF HGP

**1997** - NIH becomes NHGRI.

**E.coli genome sequenced.**

Genoscope, French National Genome Sequencing Centre was established.

**1998** - 2<sup>nd</sup> 5 year plan for HGP was published.

Japan's RIKEN Genomic Services Centre was established.

Genome of the roundworm *Caenorhabditis elegans* was sequenced.

SNP sequencing was initiated.

the Chinese National Human Genome Centres were established in Beijing and Shanghai.

**1999** - sequencing of human chromosome 22 was completed and was published in “The Nature.”

# TIMELINE OF HGP

**2000** - working draft of human genome completed.  
US president Clinton & UK's PM Blair support free access to genome information.  
Genomes of *D.melanogaster* and *A.thaliana* were sequenced & published in "The Nature".

**2001** – working draft of human genome sequence was published in "The Nature" & "Science".

**2002** – working draft of mouse genome sequence was completed & published.

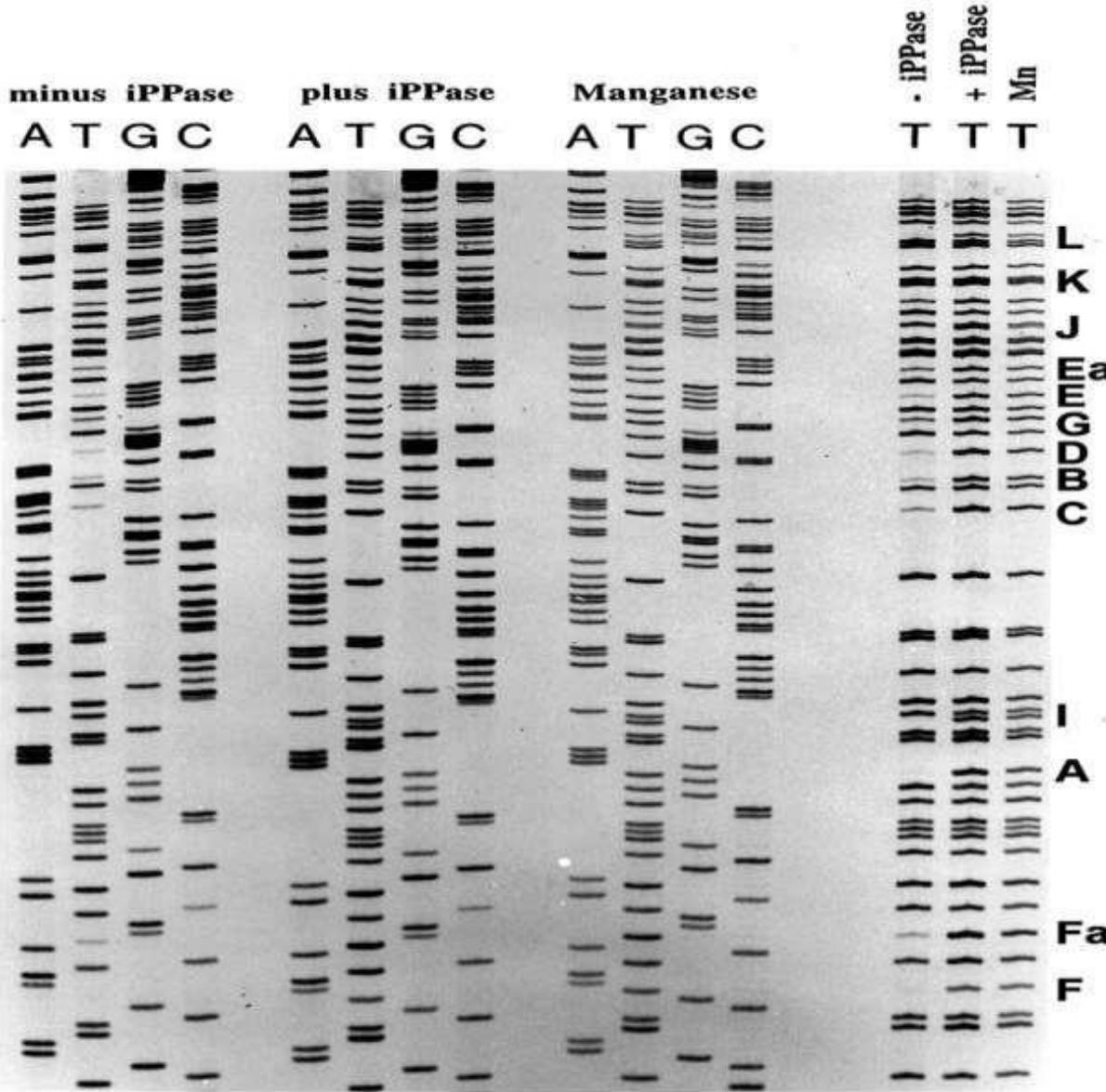
**2003** - finished version of human genome sequence was completed.  
HGP ended with all the goals achieved.

# TECHNICAL ASPECTS IN HGP

- The process of determining the human genome first involves **genome mapping**, or characterizing the chromosomes. This is called a **genetic map**.
- The next step is **DNA sequencing**, or determining the order of DNA bases on a chromosome. These are **physical maps**.

# MAPPING STRATEGIES

- **Genetic markers** are invaluable for genome mapping.
- Markers are any inherited physical or molecular characteristics that are different among individuals of a population (polymorphic)
- A **genetic map** shows the relative locations of these specific markers on the chromosomes.
- An example of a marker includes restriction fragment length polymorphisms **(RFLP)**.
- Used in RFLP markers are restriction enzymes. These enzymes recognize short sequences of DNA and cut them at specific sites, therefore, DNA can be cut into many different fragments. These fragments are the DNA pieces used in physical maps
- RFLPs reflect sequence differences in DNA sites which are cleaved by restriction enzymes.

**A****B**

5' TCGAATT CGTAATCATGGTCATAGCTGTT CCTGTGTGAAATT GTTATCCGCTCACATT  
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# OUTCOMES OF HGP

- There are approximately **22,300** protein-coding genes in human beings, the same range as in other mammals. Mouse – 23,000 genes (approx)
- **Drosophila – 17,000 genes (approx),**  
**C.elegans - < 22,000 genes**
  - we share many homologous genes (called "orthologs") with both these animals.  
But:-
  - many of our protein-encoding genes produce more than one protein product (e.g., by alternative splicing of the primary transcript of the gene). On average, each of our ORFs produces 2 to 3 different proteins.
  - So the human "proteome" (our total number of proteins) may be 10 or more times larger than that of the fruit fly and roundworm.
- A larger proportion of our genome :-  
encodes **transcription factors**
  - is dedicated to control elements (e.g., enhancers) to which these transcription factors bind
  - The combinatorial use of these elements provides much greater flexibility of gene expression than is found in Drosophila and C.elegans.

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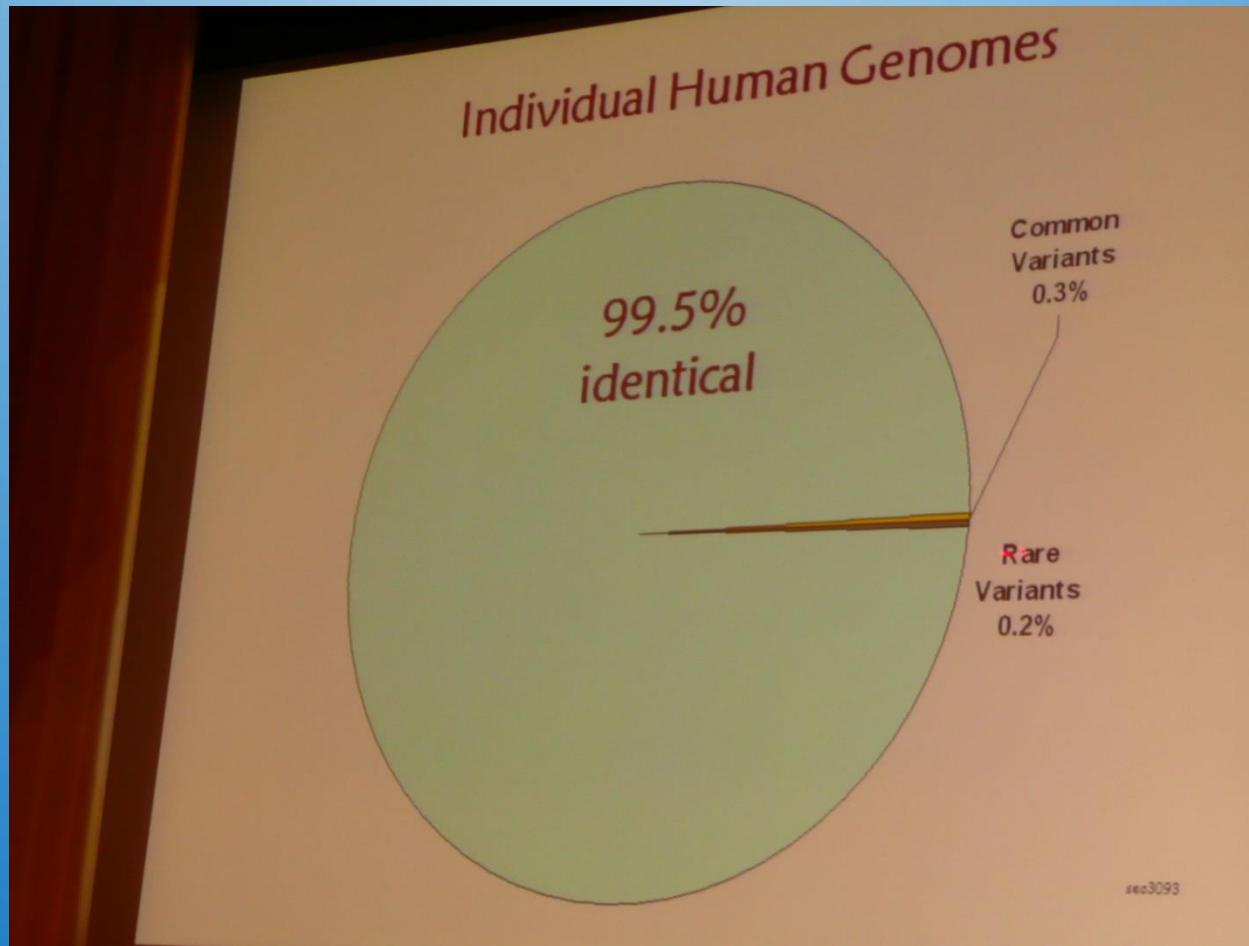


- **Gene density :-**
  - 23 genes per million base pairs on chromosome 19
  - 5 genes per million base pairs on chromosome 13.
- Humans, and presumably **most vertebrates, have genes not found in invertebrate animals** like *Drosophila* and *C. elegans*. Few of those genes are :-
  - antibodies and **T cell receptors** for antigen (TCRs)
  - the transplantation antigens of the major histocompatibility complex (MHC) & human leucocyte antigen (HLA).
  - cell-signaling molecules including the many types of cytokines
  - the molecules that participate in blood clotting.
- Human genome comprises of 2% of exons (coding regions) and 98% of introns (non-coding regions).

# APPLICATIONS OF HGP

- ❑ The sequencing of the human genome holds benefits for many fields, from **molecular medicine** to human evolution.
- ❑ Helps in identifying **disease causing gene**.
- ❑ identification of **mutations** linked to different forms of cancer.
- ❑ The sequence of the DNA is stored in **databases** available to anyone on the Internet.
- ❑ The U.S. National Center for Biotechnology Information (and sister organizations in Europe and Japan) house the gene sequence in a database known as **GenBank**, along with sequences of known and hypothetical genes and proteins.
- ❑ will allow for advances in agriculture through **genetic modification** to yield healthier, more disease-resistant crops.
- ❑ Benefitted the advancement of **forensic science**.

# INDIVIDUAL VARIATIONS



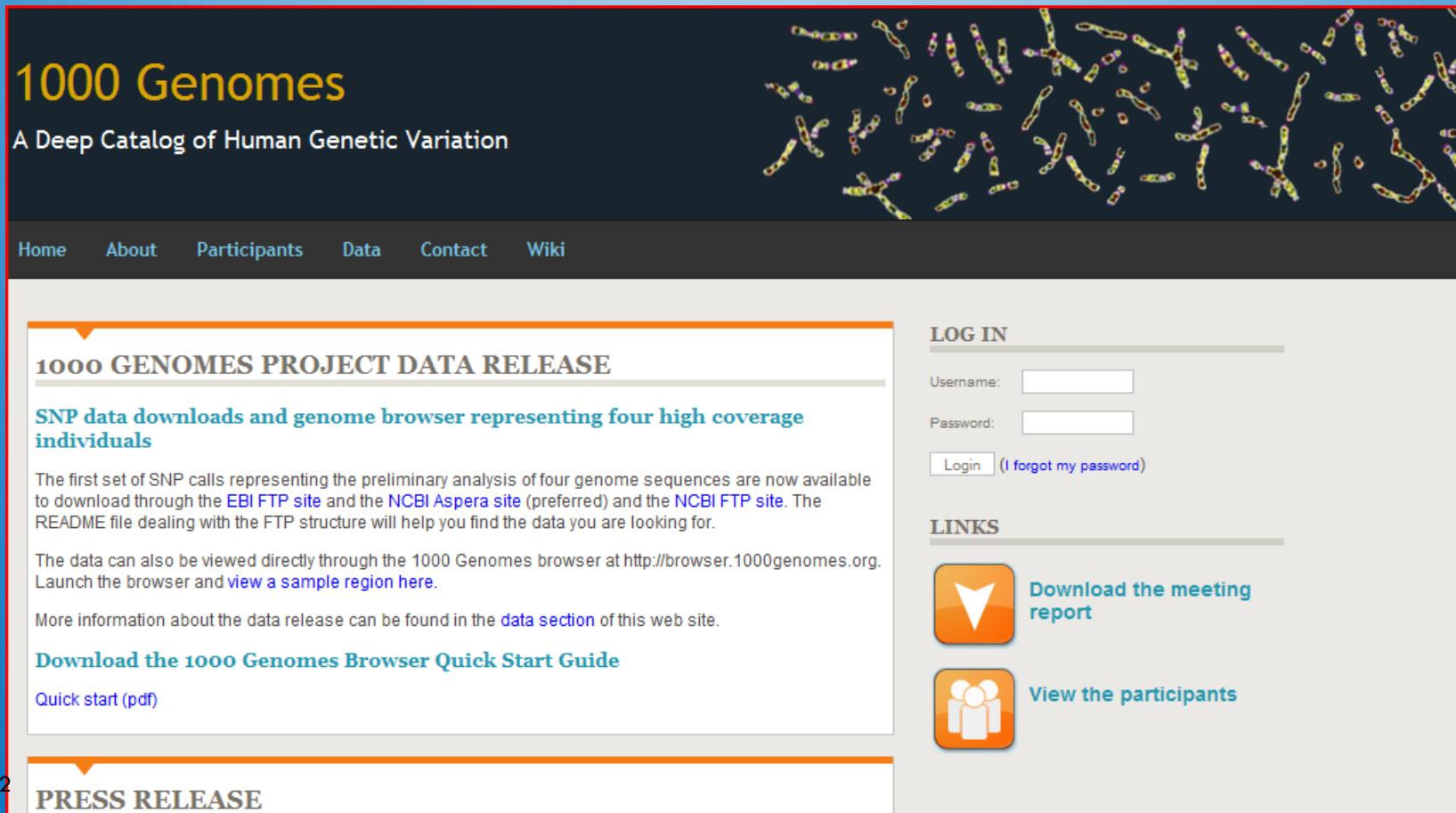
# FROM HUMAN GENOME PROJECT TO SINGLE GENOME SEQUENCING; SNPs

*The Experience from the single genomes sequencing*



	Venter genome	Watson genome	African genome NA18507
SNPs	3.2 M	3.4 M	3.7 M
Known SNPs	1.9 M	1.8 M	2.7 M
Putative novel SNPs	1.3 M	1.6 M	1.0 M
Non synonymous SNPs (number of genes)	10389 (4107)	10569 (4403)	11718
Non synonymous SNPs in OMIM genes (known pathogenic variants)	314	210 (23)	
Indels	>800 K	223 K	
CNVs	62	23	

# THE 1000 GENOME PROJECT



The screenshot shows the homepage of the 1000 Genomes Project. The header features the text "1000 Genomes" and "A Deep Catalog of Human Genetic Variation" in white, with a background image of chromosomes. Below the header is a navigation bar with links: Home, About, Participants, Data, Contact, and Wiki. The main content area has a red border and contains a section titled "1000 GENOMES PROJECT DATA RELEASE" with sub-sections for "SNP data downloads and genome browser representing four high coverage individuals" and "Download the 1000 Genomes Browser Quick Start Guide". It also includes a "PRESS RELEASE" section. To the right, there is a "LOG IN" form with fields for Username and Password, and a "Login" button. Below the login is a "LINKS" section with two items: "Download the meeting report" (with an orange icon) and "View the participants" (with an orange icon).

1000 Genomes

A Deep Catalog of Human Genetic Variation

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1000 GENOMES PROJECT DATA RELEASE

SNP data downloads and genome browser representing four high coverage individuals

The first set of SNP calls representing the preliminary analysis of four genome sequences are now available to download through the [EBI FTP site](#) and the [NCBI Aspera site](#) (preferred) and the [NCBI FTP site](#). The README file dealing with the FTP structure will help you find the data you are looking for.

The data can also be viewed directly through the 1000 Genomes browser at <http://browser.1000genomes.org>. Launch the browser and [view a sample region here](#).

More information about the data release can be found in the [data section](#) of this web site.

**Download the 1000 Genomes Browser Quick Start Guide**

Quick start (pdf)

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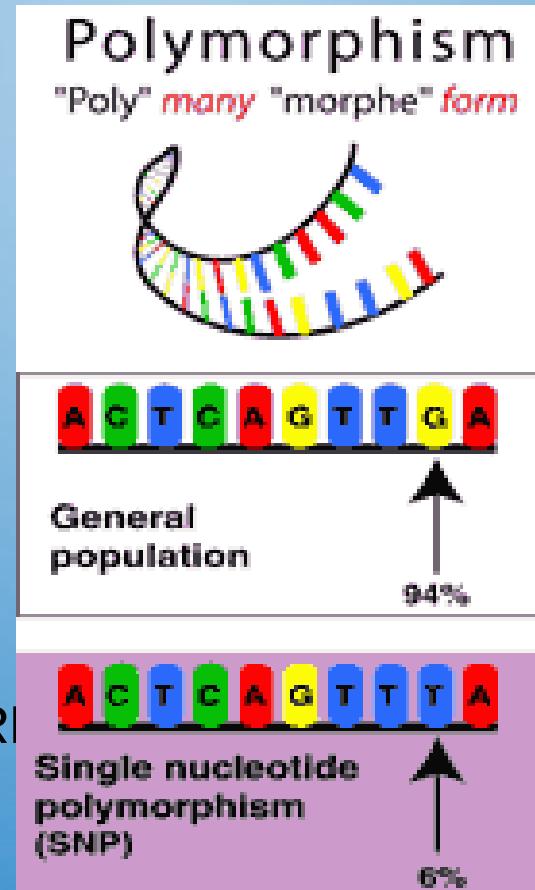
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# POLYGENETIC DISEASES, GENOME WIDE ASSOCIATION STUDIES

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ARTICLES

## Genome-wide association defines more than 30 distinct susceptibility loci for Crohn's disease

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Several risk factors for Crohn's disease have been identified in recent genome-wide association studies. To advance gene discovery further, we combined data from three studies on Crohn's disease (a total of 3,230 cases and 4,829 controls) and carried out replication in 3,664 independent cases with a mixture of population-based and family-based controls. The results strongly confirm 11 previously reported loci and provide genome-wide significant evidence for 21 additional loci, including the regions containing *STAT3*, *JAK2*, *ICOSLG*, *CDKAL1* and *ITLN1*. The expanded molecular understanding of the basis of this disease offers promise for informed therapeutic development.

# DEFINITIONS

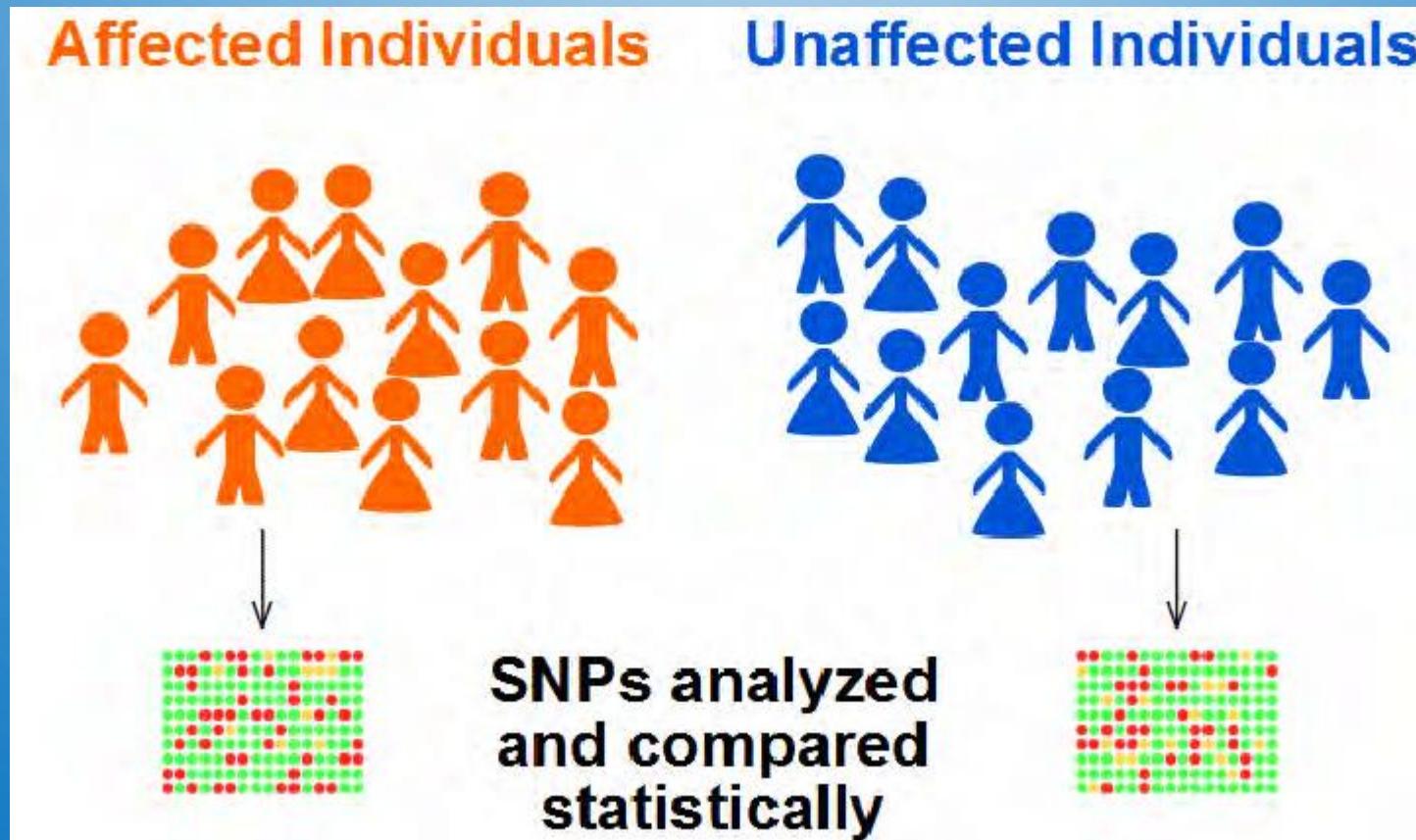
GENETIC TERMINOLOGY

No rs232 and SNP were not the Robots in Star Wars!  
Andy Glasbergen.

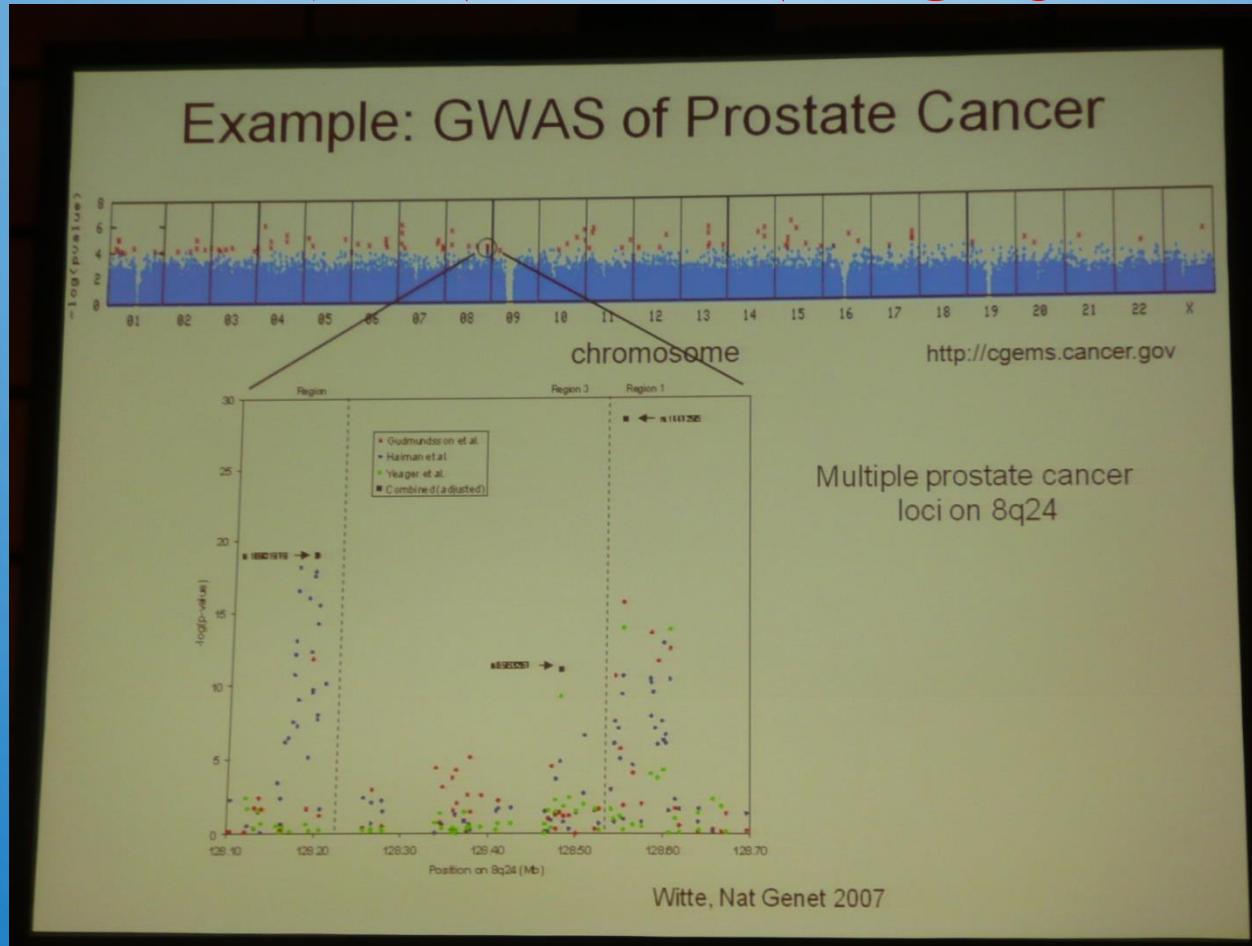
- Sequence change of low frequency (< 1%) is a **VARIANT**
- A variant whose frequency is > 1% is a **POLYMORPHISM**
- A **MUTATION** is a variant that affects/destroys function.
- The different forms of a variant are **ALLELES** eg ABO blood group, -455G>A

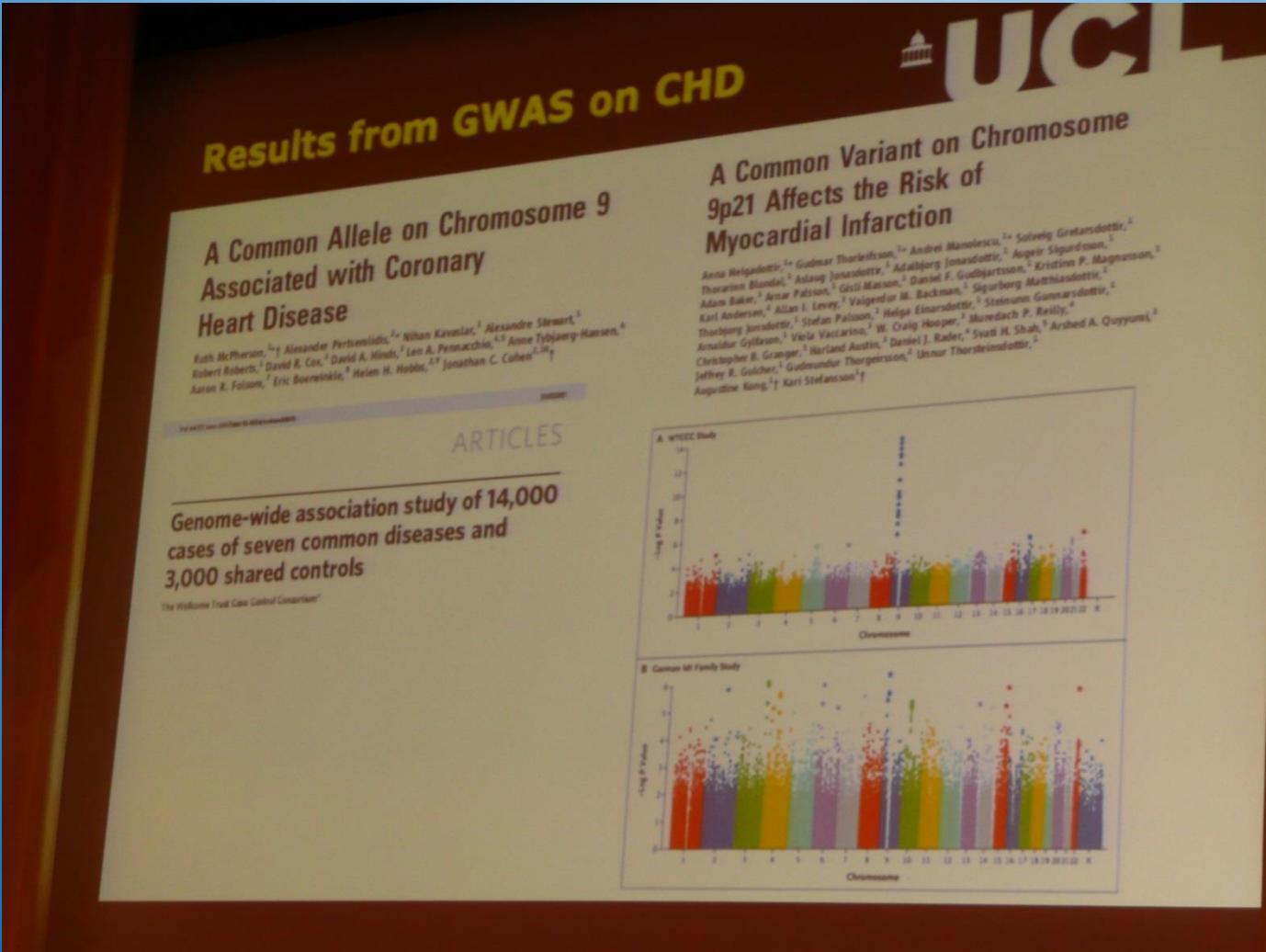
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# GENOME WIDE ASSOCIATION STUDIES



# MANHATTAN BLOTS





# CANDIDATE SNPs FOR DISEASES

## Examples of common disease alleles

- Type 1 diabetes, IBD and other autoimmune diseases: HLA, CTLA4, PTPN22, IRF5, INS, IFIH1, STAT4, TNFAIP3, IL2, IL7R, PTPN2, CD25, KIAA0350, ERBB3, C12orf30, CD226, SH2B3, NOD2, 5q31, IL23R, ATG16L1, IRGM, IL12B, NKX2-3, TRAF1, FCGR3B, TNFSF4, OLIG3/TNFAIP3, ARTS1, TSHR, FCRL3, others
- Type 2 diabetes: PPARG, KCNJ11, TCF7L2, HHEX, SLC30A8, IGF2BP2, CDKN2A/2B, CDKAL1, TCF2, WFS1, others
- Age related macular degeneration: CFH, LOC387715, C2-CFB, C3, APOE
- Myocardial infarction: CDKN2A/2B, PCSK9, others
- Prostate Cancer: 8q24, TCF2, others
- Breast cancer: 8q24, FGFR2, MAP3K1, LSP1, others
- Colorectal cancer: 8q24, SMAD7, others
- HIV and AIDS: CCR5, HLA, ZNRD1/RNF39
- Asthma: ORMDL3, IL13, others
- Alzheimer's Disease and longevity: APOE
- Quantitative traits: APOA5, CETP, APOE, PCSK9 and many others with lipids; HBB, BCL11, HBS1L with hemoglobin F levels, several with height, several with body mass index, etc etc.

# TOWARDS SNP MARKERS

**DiOGenes**  
901 proteins identified, 76 quantifiable

**Nestlé Research**

**Biomarker candidates for Obesity (12)**

- Atran; Antithrombin III; Ceruloplasmin; Complement C3; Hepatocyte growth factor-like; Sex hormone-binding globulin; Phosphatidylcholine-sterol acyltransferase; Pigment epithelium-derived factor; Plasma retinol-binding protein 4; Serum amyloid A-4 protein; Serum paraoxonase/arylesterase 1; Vitamin D-binding protein.

**Biomarker candidates for Diabetes (11)**

- Alpha-2-HS-glycoprotein; AMBP protein; Apolipoprotein A-IV; Ceruloplasmin; Hemopexin; LMW of Kininogen-1; Pigment epithelium-derived factor precursor; Plasma retinol-binding protein 1; Phosphatidylcholine-sterol acyltransferase precursor; Serum paraoxonase/arylesterase 1; Zinc alpha-2-glycoprotein 1.

**Biomarker candidates for CVD (35)**

- Ceruloplasmin; Pigment epithelium-derived factor; Serum paraoxonase/arylesterase 1; Apolipoprotein A-IV; Hemopexin; Antithrombin III; Complement C3, C4-A; Hepatocyte growth factor-like protein; Sex hormone-binding globulin; Serum amyloid A-4 protein; Alpha-1-acid glycoprotein 1; Coagulation factor IX, X, XII, XIII B chain; Heparin cofactor 2; Beta-2-glycoprotein 1; Clusterin; Fibrinogen alpha chain; Fibronectin; Plasma kallikrein; Plasminogen; Protein Z-dependent protease inhibitor; Serum amyloid P-component; Vitronectin.

**Biomarker candidates for inflammation (26)**

- Serum paraoxonase/arylesterase 1; LMW of Kininogen-1 precursor; Antithrombin III; Serum amyloid A-4 protein; Alpha-1-acid glycoprotein 1, 2; Alpha-1-antichymotrypsin; Plasma kallikrein; Alpha-2-macroglobulin C4b-binding protein alpha chain; Complement C1q C, C1r, C1s, C2, C3, C4-A, C5, C6, C7, C8 alpha, beta, gamma chains; C8, factor H-related 1, factor I; Plasma protease C1 inhibitor

Panichaud, Alfoldi, Hansson, Kussmann et al. Proteomics 2008; RCMS 2008; Mol. Cell. Proteomics 2008

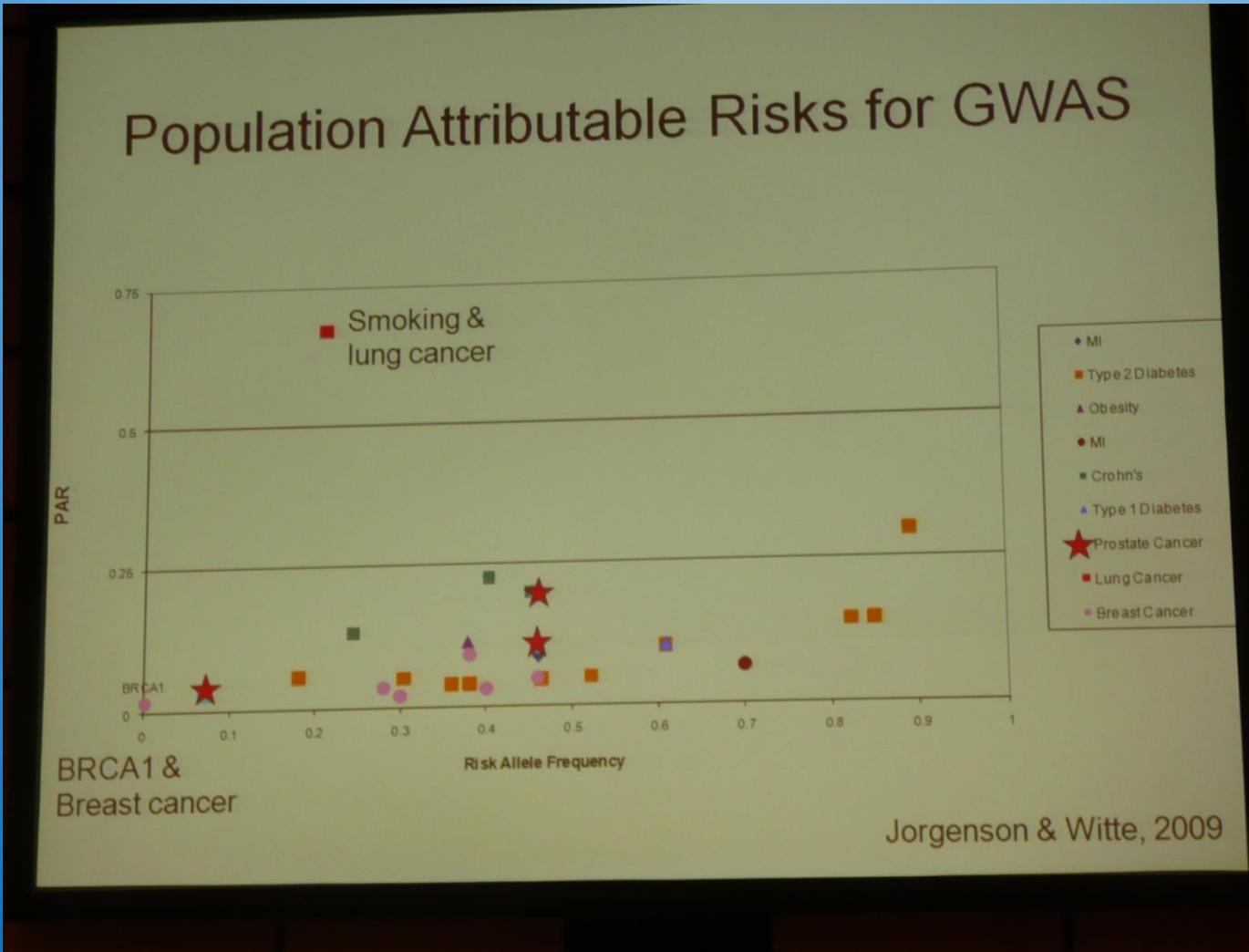
Kussmann Vitafoods 2007; Keystone Biomarkers 2008

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# ODDS RATIOS, MOSTLY < 1,5

Prostate Cancer Replications							
Locus		A Freq		Association		Nearby Genes / Fcn	
Chr Reg	SNP	Cntrl	Case	OR	p value		
2p15	rs721048	G/A	0.19	0.21	1.15	7.7x10 <sup>-9</sup>	<i>EHBP1</i> : endocytic trafficking
3p12	rs2660753	C/T	0.10	0.12	1.30	2.7x10 <sup>-8</sup>	Intergenic
6q25	rs9364554	C/T	0.29	0.33	1.21	5.5x10 <sup>-10</sup>	<i>SLC22A3</i> : drugs and toxins.
7q21	rs6465657	T/C	0.46	0.50	1.19	1.1x10 <sup>-9</sup>	<i>LMTK2</i> : endosomal trafficking
8q24 (2)	rs16901979	C/A	0.04	0.06	1.52	1.1x10 <sup>-12</sup>	Intergenic
8q24 (3)	rs6983267	T/G	0.50	0.56	1.25	9.4x10 <sup>-13</sup>	Intergenic
8q24 (1)	rs1447295	C/A	0.10	0.14	1.42	6.4x10 <sup>-18</sup>	Intergenic
10q11	rs10993994	C/T	0.38	0.46	1.38	8.7x10 <sup>-29</sup>	<i>MSMB</i> : suppressor prop.
10q26	rs4962416	T/C	0.27	0.32	1.18	2.7x10 <sup>-8</sup>	<i>CTBP2</i> : antiapoptotic activity
11q13	rs7931342	T/G	0.51	0.56	1.21	1.7x10 <sup>-12</sup>	Intergenic
17q12	rs4430796	G/A	0.49	0.55	1.22	1.4x10 <sup>-11</sup>	<i>HNF1B</i> : suppressor properties
17q24	rs1859962	T/G	0.46	0.51	1.20	2.5x10 <sup>-10</sup>	Intergenic
19q13	rs2735839	A/G	0.83	0.87	1.37	1.5x10 <sup>-18</sup>	<i>KLK2/KLK3</i> : PSA
Xp11	rs5945619	T/C	0.36	0.41	1.29	1.5x10 <sup>-9</sup>	<i>NUDT10, NUDT11</i> : apoptosis

# THE RELEVANCE OF SNPs



# e.g. Cardivascular: Polymorphisms and pathways

1.  $\alpha$ -Adducin  
2. ACE  
3. ALOX5AP  
4. Angiotensin-Rezeptor Typ I  
5. Angiotensinogen  
6. ApoA1  
7. ApoB  
8. ApoC-III  
9. ApoE  
10. ABCA1  
11. ANP  
12. ANP Clearance Rezeptor  
13.  $\beta 2$ -adrenergische Rezeptor  
14.  $\beta 3$ -adrenergische Rezeptor  
15.  $\beta$ -Fibrinogen  
16. CD14-Rezeptor  
17. CC-Chemokine-Rezeptor 2  
18. CETP  
19. Extrazelluläre Superoxiddismutase (SOD3)  
20. FII  
21. FV  
22. FVII  
23. FXII  
24. FXIII A-Untereinheit  
25. Connexin 37

26. eNOS  
27. Endothelin-1  
28. E-Selectin  
29. FABP2  
30. Fractalkin-Rezeptor  
31. Glykoprotein Ia  
32. Glykoprotein Ib $\alpha$   
33. Glykoprotein IIa  
34. Glykoprotein IIIa  
35. Glykoprotein PC-1  
36. G-Protein  $\beta$ -3 Untereinheit  
37. HFE  
38. HL  
39. IRS1  
40. IL1 $\alpha$   
41. IL1 $\beta$   
42. IL4  
43. IL6  
44. IL10  
45. Leptin  
46. LPL  
47. LRP  
48. Lp(a)  
49. Mangan- Superoxiddismutase

52. MMP12  
53. Methioninsynthase  
54. MTHFR  
55. MCP1  
56. P22  
57. NPY  
58. PON  
59. CD31  
60. PPAR $\alpha$   
61. PPAR $\gamma$ 2  
62. PAI1  
63. PAFAH  
64. P-Selectin  
65. SRB1  
66. Serotonin-Rezeptor 2A  
67. Stromelysin 1 (MMP3)  
68. Thrombomodulin  
69. Thrombopoietin  
70. Thrombospondin 1  
71. Thrombospondin 4  
72. TFPI  
73. TGF $\beta$ 1  
74. TNF $\alpha$

# Frequencies, ethnic aspects of typical SNPs

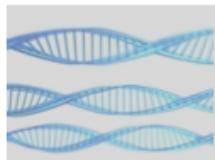
POPULATION FREQUENCY CHART

Gene	Var.	Percentage of Population with Gene Variation						
		Total Frequency*	African American	Asian	Caucasian	Hispanic/Latino	Japanese	Chinese
MTHFR	C677	28.7	10.0	21.1	28.9	47.1	40.3	33.3
MTHFR	A1298C	30.0	25.0	19.2	33.9	17.5	36	14.6
MS_MTRR	A66G	47.3	27.5	28.9	52.5	44.1	31.8	20.5
MTR	A2576G	17.4	32.5	7.9	15.8	14.7	18.5	10.4
CBS	C699T	28.0	20.0	2.6	30.0	32.4	ND	4.3
MnSOD	C-28T	54.2	64.6	<1	53.4	65.2	12	67.7
SOD3	C760G	<3	<3	<3	<3	<3	<3	<3
IL-6	G-174C	36.3	<1	<1	47.5	21.9	<1	<1
IL-6	G-634C	10.3	15.0	63.2	5.6	14.7	22.0	ND
TNF- $\alpha$	G-308A	16.5	12.5	7.9	15.8	26.5	2	2
APOC3	C3175G	12.6	7.5	31.6	13.2	8.8	32.6	29.8
CETP	G279A	37.0	18.4	36.8	40.0	38.2	40	35.4
LPL	C1595G	9.9	7.5	13.2	7.5	23.2	14	6.5
eNOS	G894T	35.6	22.5	15.8	42.5	17.6	12.5	9
ACE	II/DD	61.0	63.6	77.8	57.9	70.0	62	65
GSTM1	Gene Deletion	69.0	32.0	43.0	50.0	47.0	54.5	50.4
GSTPI	A313G	34.8	52.5	28.9	32.5	32.4	27.5	15.2
GSTPI	C341T	11.5	<1	<1	15.8	2.9	<1	2.0
GSTTI	Gene Deletion	21.9	26.0	80.0	20.0	11.0	48.3	45.4

# HYPE IN MEDIA, E.G.DIABETES, REALITY

## Variante des KCNJ11-Gens erhöht das Risiko für Alterszucker auch in deutscher Bevölkerung

17.03.08.



Eine Variante des Gens KCNJ11 erhöht bei Menschen der Region Berlin/Brandenburg das Risiko für Alterszucker (Typ-2-Diabetes) um bis zu 25 Prozent. Dies ist ein Ergebnis einer großen Bevölkerungsstudie, die Wissenschaftler des Deutschen Instituts für Ernährungsforschung Potsdam-Rehbrücke (DIfE) durchführten. Ferner wiesen die Forscher nach, dass die mit KCNJ11 23K bezeichnete Genvariante sowohl die Insulinausschüttung als auch die Insulinempfindlichkeit negativ beeinflusst.

„Möglicherweise könnte man unsere Ergebnisse in Zukunft dazu nutzen, die Vorhersagekraft von Diabetes-Risikotests zu erhöhen. Zudem helfen die von uns gefundenen funktionellen Daten, die Mechanismen der Diabetesentstehung aufzuklären“, erklärt Joachim Spranger, Leiter der wissenschaftlichen Untersuchung. Die Forscher veröffentlichten ihre Ergebnisse in der Januarausgabe der renommierten Fachzeitschrift Diabetes Care (Fischer et al. 2008; 31:87).

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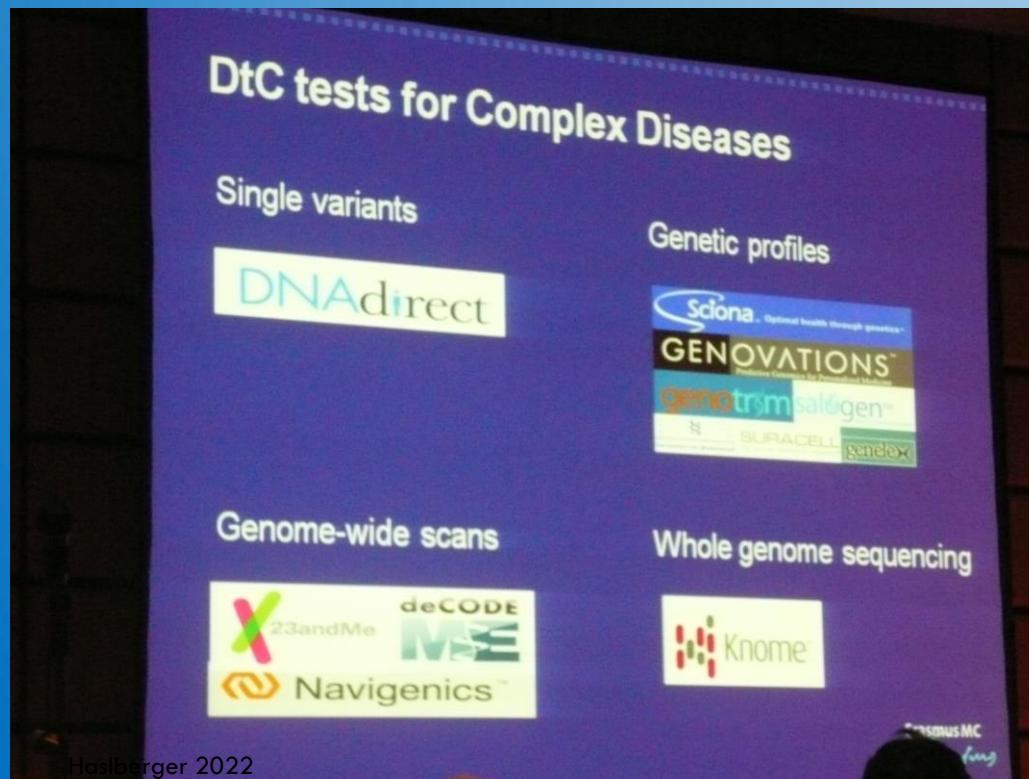
Grundlage der vorliegenden Untersuchung sind die Daten von 2.945 Teilnehmern der Potsdamer EPIC\*-Studie sowie von 1.891 Teilnehmern der MeSyBePo\*\*\*-Studie. Die Teilnehmer beider Studien stammen aus der Region Berlin/Brandenburg.

## A typical modest effect: KCNJ11 and type 2 diabetes

Meta-analysis, previous data	1.14	0.0002	1.06 - 1.22	6417
Scand/Canada samples	1.17	0.003	1.05 - 1.32	3413
USA/Poland samples	1.15	0.001	1.05 - 1.26	4470
Meta-analysis, all data	1.15	< 10 <sup>-7</sup>	1.09 - 1.21	14300

Meta-analysis, previous data	1.39	< 10 <sup>-5</sup>	1.20 - 1.61	5934
Scand/Canada samples	1.31	0.007	1.05 - 1.63	2224
USA/Poland samples	1.31	0.002	1.09 - 1.57	4470
Meta-analysis, all data	1.35	< 10 <sup>-8</sup>	1.22 - 1.49	12628

# GENETIC TESTING



Heart Health			
Gene Analyzed	Role of the Gene in Heart Health	Genetic Variation Screened For Variations Found in Your Gene	Percentage of Population with this Gene Variation*
MTHFR	Use of Folic Acid for DNA Synthesis or DNA Repair	C677T A1298C	28.7 30.0
MS_MTRR	Metabolism of Vitamin B12	A66G	47.3
MTR	Removal of Homocysteine	A2756G	17.4
CBS	Metabolism of Vitamin B6 and Removal of Homocysteine	C699T	28.0
MnSOD	Antioxidant Defense	C(-28)T	54.2
SOD3		T175C	
IL-6	Inflammatory Response	C760G	
TNF-a		G(-174)C	36.3
		G(-308)A	16.5
APOC3	Triglyceride Metabolism	C3175G	12.6
CETP	Cholesterol Metabolism	G279A	37.0
LPL		C1595G	9.9
eNOS	Blood Flow	G894T	35.6
ACE		DEL	61.0

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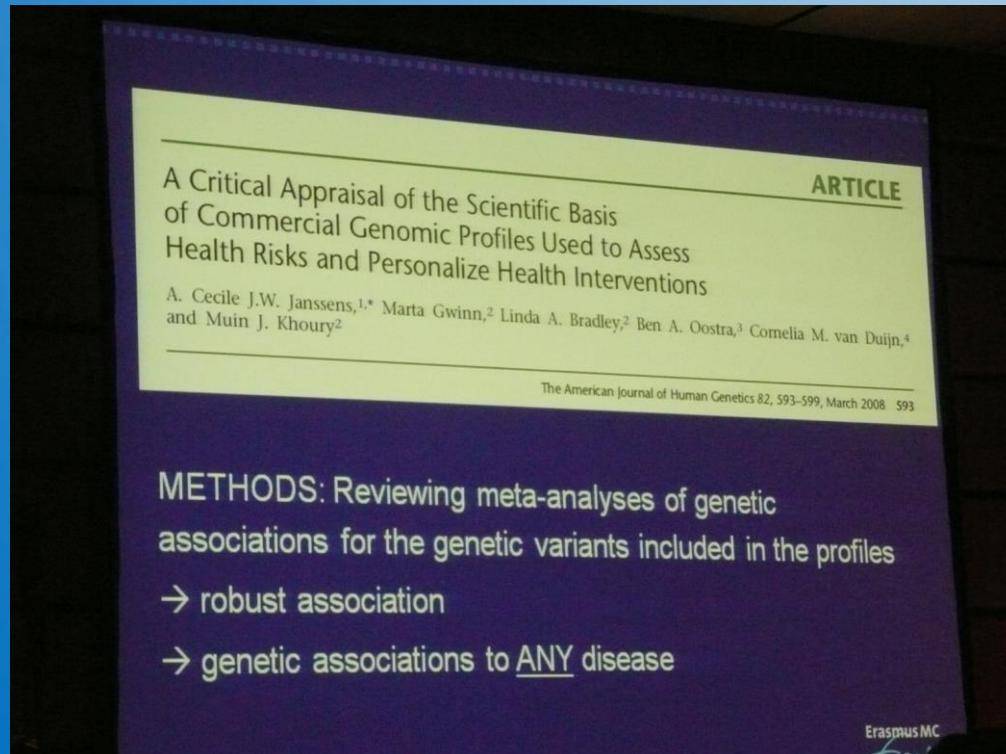
Elevated Risk			
Name	Absolute Risk	Relative Risk	Last Updated
Psoriasis	21%	1.99	Feb 25, 2009
Rheumatoid Arthritis	4.4%	1.28	Feb 25, 2009
Decreased Risk			
Name	Absolute Risk	Relative Risk	Last Updated
Age-related Macular Degeneration	1.3%	0.18	May 21, 2008
Type 1 Diabetes	0.3%	0.30	Dec 17, 2007
Celiac Disease	0.07%	0.38	Mar 26, 2009
Typical Risk			
Name	Absolute Risk	Relative Risk	Last Updated
Type 2 Diabetes	22%	1.03	Feb 2, 2009
Parkinson's Disease	1.6%	0.98	Sep 29, 2008
Venous Thromboembolism	24%	0.97	Nov 19, 2007
Crohn's Disease	0.5%	0.95	Feb 25, 2009
Glaucoma	Not Applicable		Feb 4, 2008

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health and traits		
Traits		
Show data for: John Witte		
Name	Outcome	Last Updated
Alcohol Flush Reaction	Does Not Flush	Dec 19, 2007
Bitter Taste Perception	Can Taste	Nov 19, 2007
Earwax Type	Wet	Nov 19, 2007
Eye Color	Likely Blue	Mar 25, 2008
Lactose Intolerance	Likely Tolerant	Nov 19, 2007
Malana Resistance (Duffy Antigen)	Not Resistant	Feb 28, 2008
Muscle Performance	Unlikely Sprinter	Nov 19, 2007
Non-ABO Blood Groups	See Report	Mar 25, 2008
Norovirus Resistance	Resistant	Jul 23, 2008
Resistance to HIV/AIDS	Not Resistant	Jan 27, 2008

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# CRITICAL ASPECTS OF GENETIC TESTING FOR CONSUMERS



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## ARTICLE

### A Critical Appraisal of the Scientific Basis of Commercial Genomic Profiles Used to Assess Health Risks and Personalize Health Interventions

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Predictive genomic profiling used to produce personalized nutrition and other lifestyle health recommendations is currently offered directly to consumers. By examining previous meta-analyses and HuGE reviews, we assessed the scientific evidence supporting the purported gene-disease associations for genes included in genomic profiles offered online. We identified seven companies that offer predictive genomic profiling. We searched PubMed for meta-analyses and HuGE reviews of studies of gene-disease associations published from 2000 through June 2007 in which the genotypes of people with a disease were compared with those of a healthy or general-population control group. The seven companies tested at least 69 different polymorphisms in 56 genes. Of the 56 genes tested, 24 (43%) were not reviewed in meta-analyses. For the remaining 32 genes, we found 260 meta-analyses that examined 160 unique polymorphism-disease associations, of which only 60 (38%) were found to be statistically significant. Even the 60 significant associations, which involved 29 different polymorphisms and 28 different diseases, were generally modest, with synthetic odds ratios ranging from 0.54 to 0.88 for protective variants and from 1.04 to 3.2 for risk variants. Furthermore, genes in cardiogenomic profiles were more frequently associated with noncardiovascular diseases than with cardiovascular diseases, and though two of the five genes of the osteogenomic profiles did show significant associations with disease, the associations were not with bone diseases. There is insufficient scientific evidence to conclude that genomic profiles are useful in measuring genetic risk for common diseases or in developing personalized diet and lifestyle recommendations for disease prevention.

# COMPLEX DISEASES: THE NEED TO UNDERSTAND GENE- ENVIRONMENT INTERACTIONS

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REPORT

## A Genome-Wide Association Study of Type 2 Diabetes in Finns Detects Multiple Susceptibility Variants

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## An Environment-Wide Association Study (EWAS) on Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

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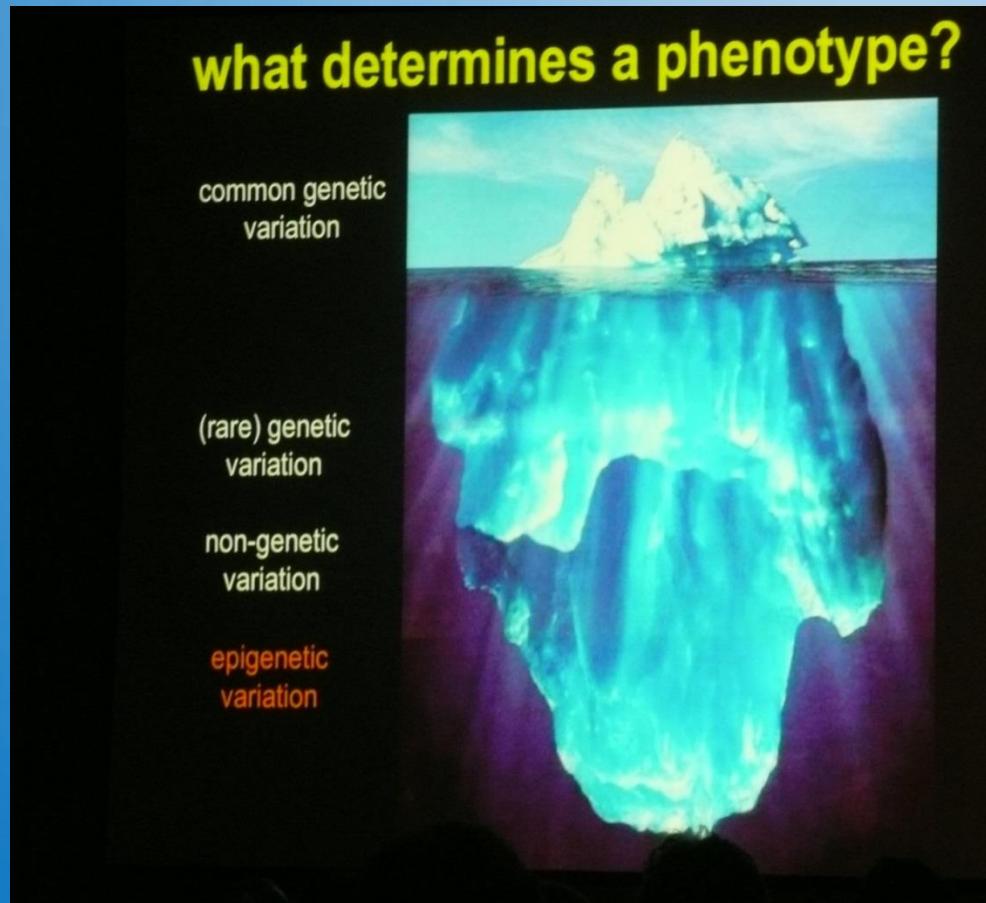
**To conduct a networking exercise on Public Health Genomics (PHG) covering all EU Member States**

**To provide an inventory of PHG-issues and priorities in Europe.**

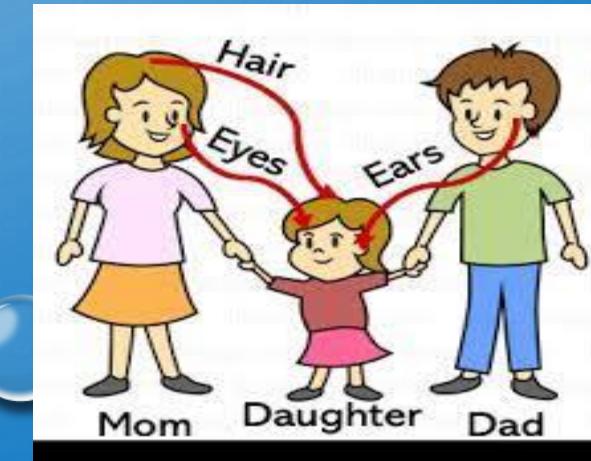
**To contribute to the co-operation and exchange of information in order to enhance coherence and disseminate best practice.**

**To identify legal diversities and barriers in a cross-border market.**

# GENETIC – ENVIRONMENT, MISSING HERITABILITY



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# EPIGENETIC, FIRST EVIDENCES

## Epigenetic Transgenerational Actions of Endocrine Disruptors and Male Fertility

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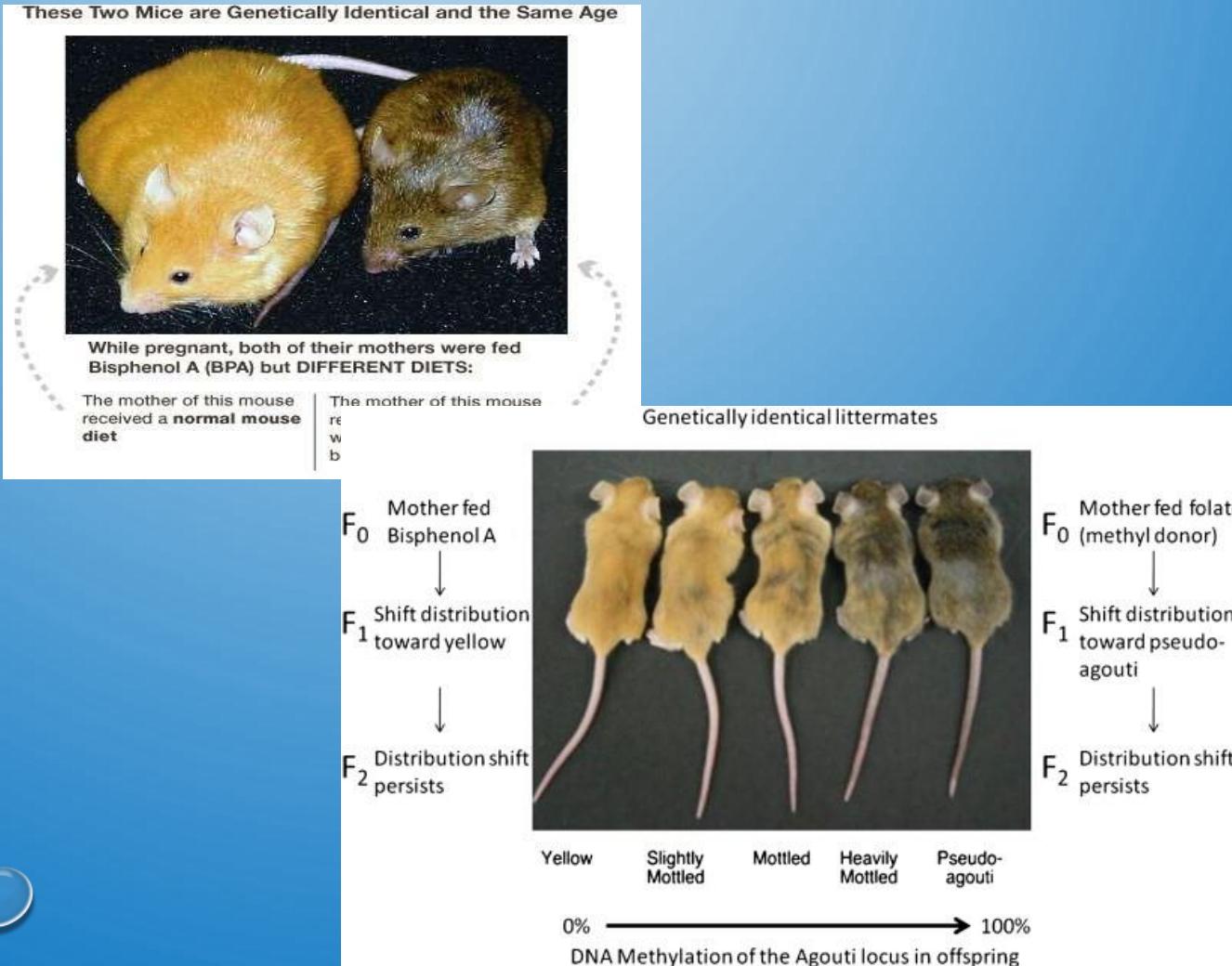
Transgenerational effects of environmental toxins require either a chromosomal or epigenetic alteration in the germ line. Transient exposure of a gestating female rat during the period of gonadal sex determination to the endocrine disruptors vinclozolin (an antiandrogenic compound) or methoxychlor (an estrogenic compound) induced an adult phenotype in the F<sub>1</sub> generation of decreased spermatogenic capacity (cell number and viability) and increased incidence of male infertility. These effects were transferred through the male germ line to nearly all males of all subsequent generations examined (that is, F<sub>1</sub> to F<sub>4</sub>). The effects on reproduction correlate with altered DNA methylation patterns in the germ line. The ability of an environmental factor (for example, endocrine disruptor) to reprogram the germ line and to promote a transgenerational disease state has significant implications for evolutionary biology and disease etiology.



### ENDOGENE DIRUPTORS

The fungicide vinclozolin, which is sprayed on vineyards can cause fertility problems in male offspring of exposed rats.

# EPIGENETIC PROOF AGOUTI MOUSE,



# EFFECTS FROM THE ENVIRONMENT: PRENATAL NUTRITION. THE DUTCH FAMINE STUDY

**Persistent epigenetic differences associated with prenatal exposure to famine in humans**

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Table 2. *IGF2* DMR methylation among individuals exposed to famine late in gestation and their unexposed, same-sex siblings

<i>IGF2</i> DMR methylation	Mean methylation fraction (SD)		Relative change exposed	Difference in SDs	<i>P</i>	
	Exposed ( <i>n</i> = 62)	Controls ( <i>n</i> = 62)				
Average	0.514	0.045	0.519	0.036	-0.9%	.64
CpG 1	0.460	0.044	0.464	0.048	-0.9%	.68
CpG 2 and 3	0.462	0.039	0.471	0.039	-1.7%	.46
CpG 4	0.602	0.085	0.612	0.073	-1.5%	.30
CpG 5	0.529	0.060	0.531	0.060	-0.3%	.77

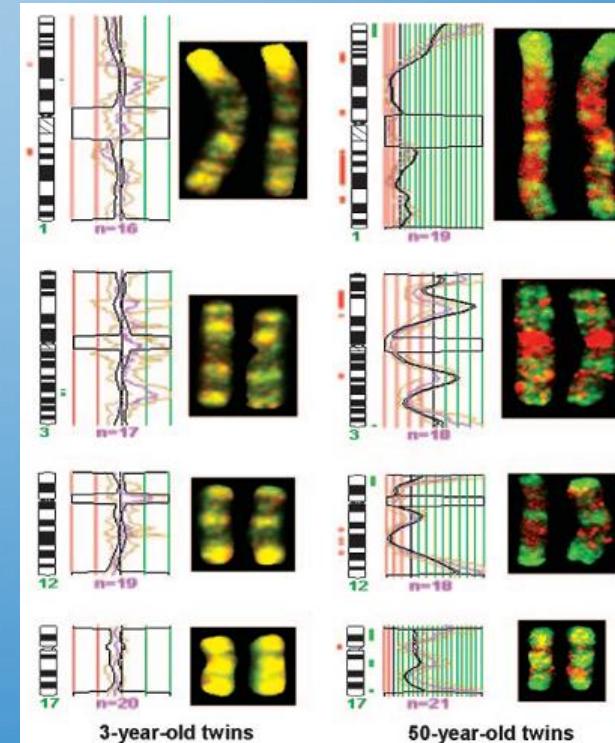
*P* values were obtained using a linear mixed model and adjusted for age.

# LIVE TIME: EPIGENETIC DIVERSITY: TWIN STUDIES

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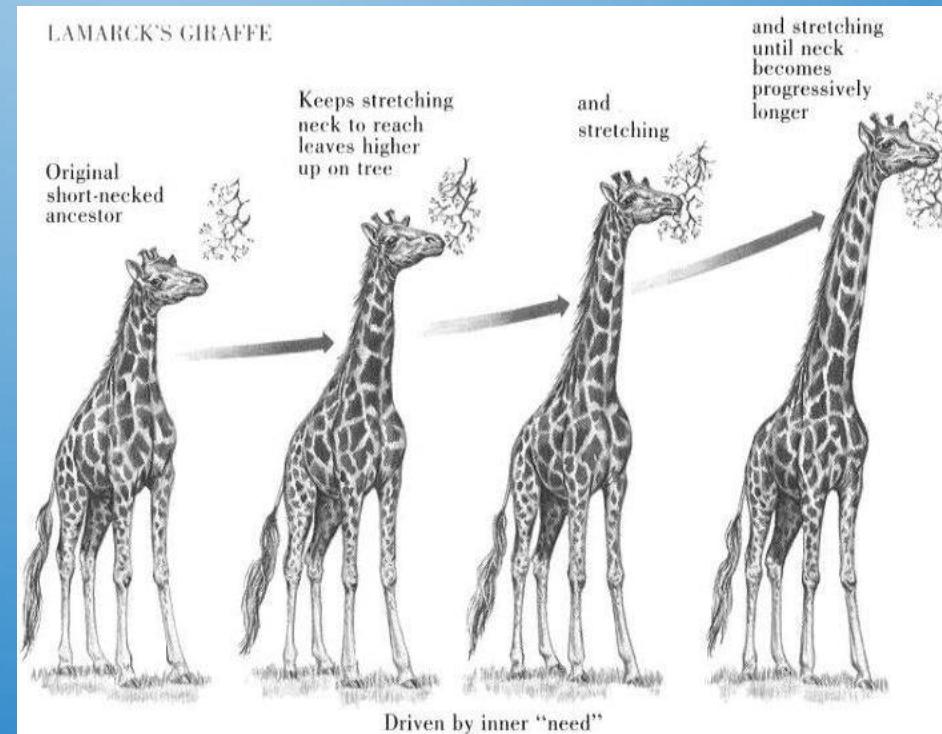
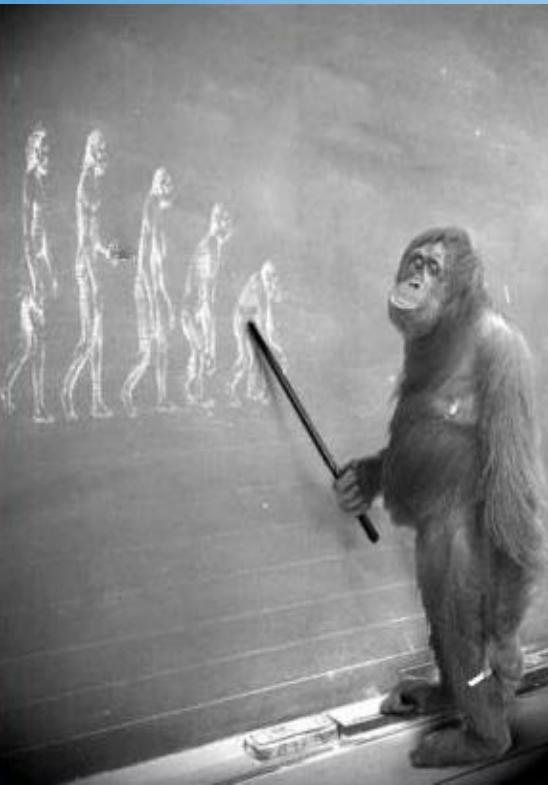
## Epigenetic differences arise during the lifetime of monozygotic twins

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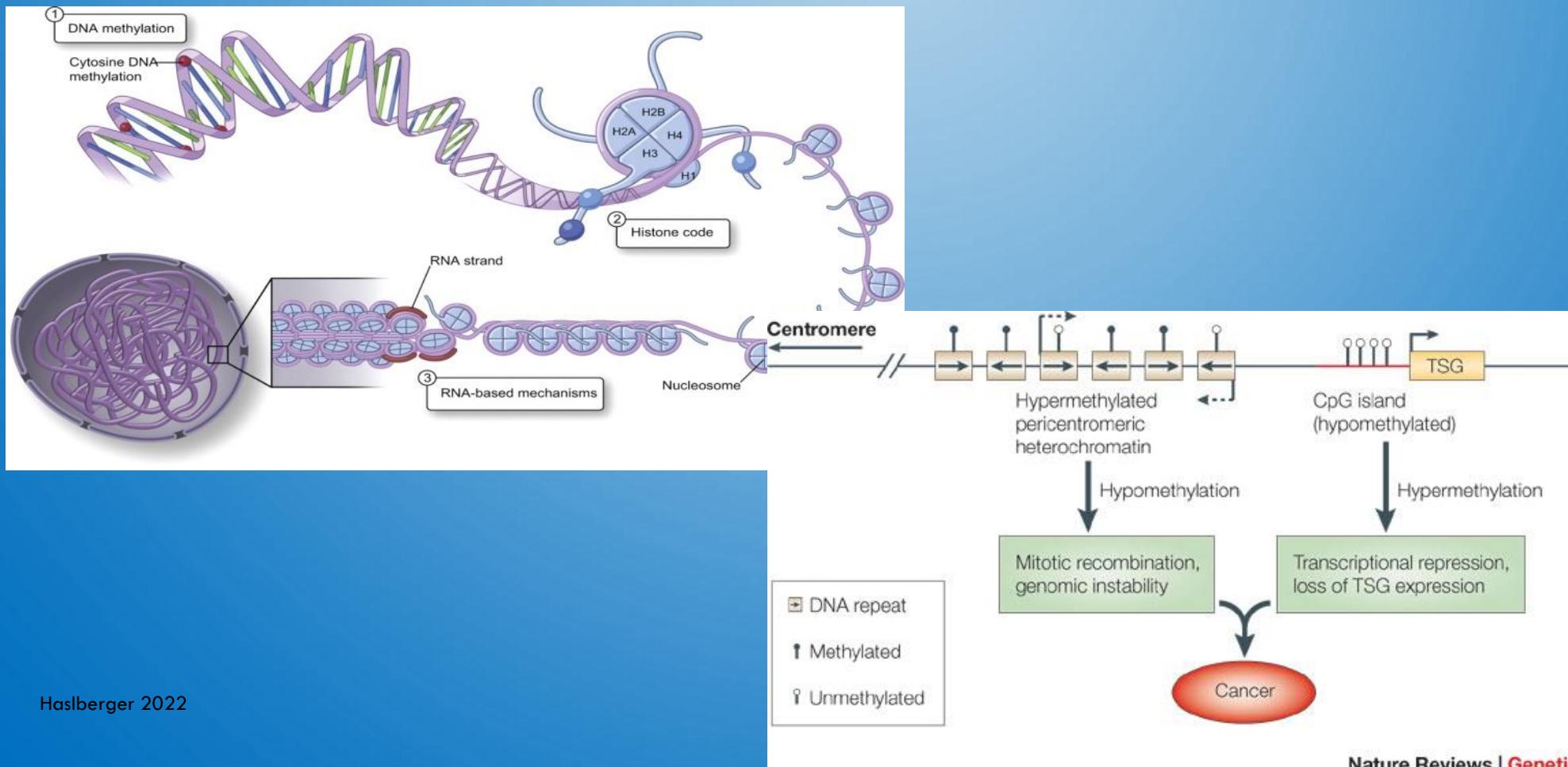


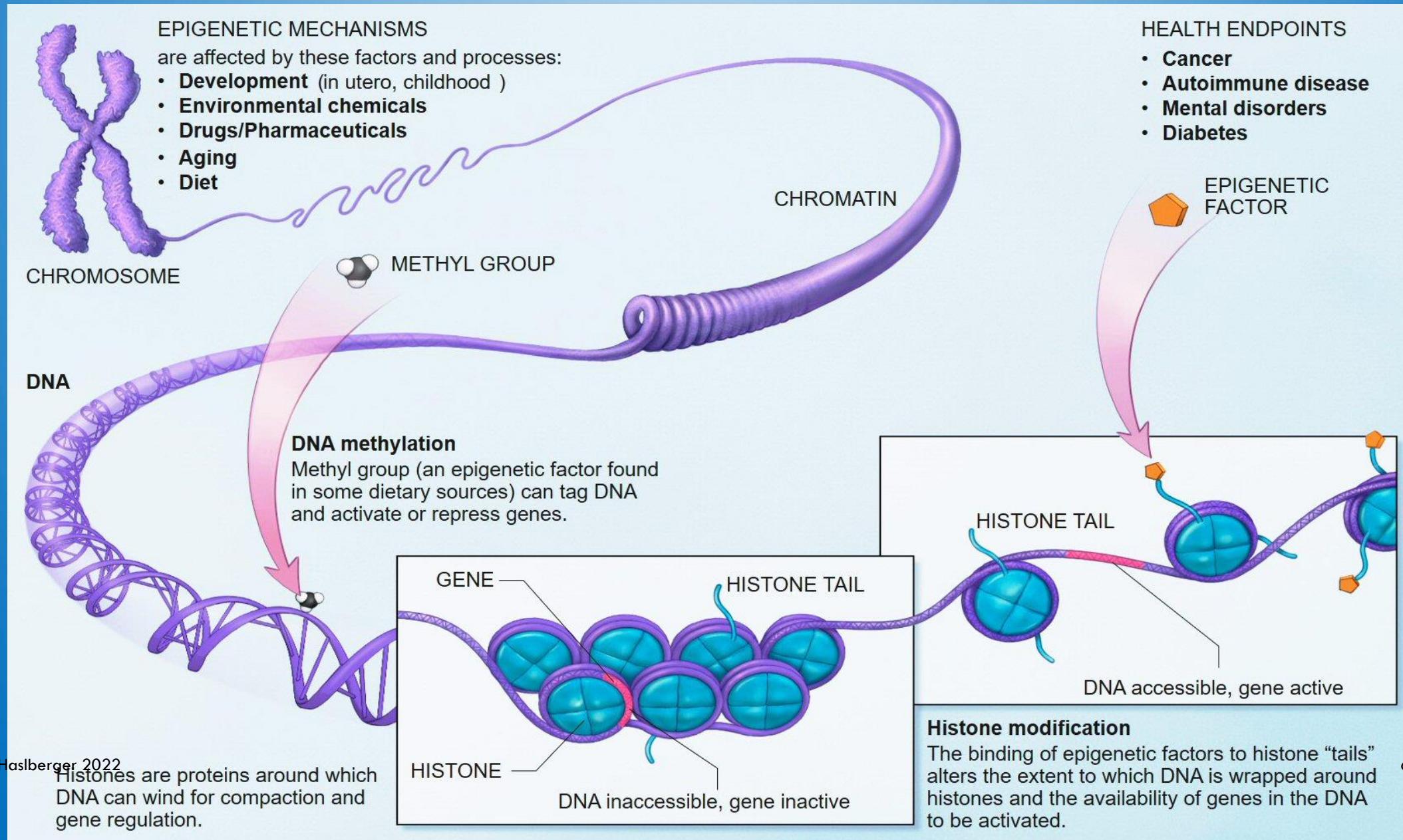
**Fig. 3.** Mapping chromosomal regions with differential DNA methylation in MZ twins by using comparative genomic hybridization for methylated DNA. Competitive hybridization onto normal metaphase chromosomes of the AIMS products generated from 3- and 50-year-old twin pairs. Examples of the hybridization of chromosomes 1, 3, 12, and 17 are displayed. The 50-year-old twin pair shows abundant changes in the pattern of DNA methylation observed by the presence of green and red signals that indicate hypermethylation and hypomethylation events, whereas the 3-year-old twins have a very similar distribution of DNA methylation indicated by the presence of the yellow color obtained by equal amounts of the green and red dyes. Significant DNA methylation changes are indicated as thick red and green blocks in the ideograms.

# DARWIN, LAMARCK AND EPIGENETICS ?



# EPIGENETICS: SEQUENCE INDEPENDENT REGULATION OF GENE EXPRESSION AND DNA STABILITY





# THREE MAIN TYPES OF EPIGENETIC INFORMATION

The three main types of epigenetic information

**Cytosine DNA methylation** is a covalent modification of DNA, in which a methyl group is transferred from *S-adenosylmethionine* to the C-5 position of cytosine by a family of cytosine (DNA-5)-methyltransferases. DNA methylation occurs almost exclusively at CpG nucleotides and has an important contributing role in the regulation of gene expression and the silencing of repeat elements in the genome.

**Genomic imprinting** is parent-of-origin-specific allele silencing, or relative silencing of one parental allele compared with the other parental allele. It is maintained, in part, by differentially methylated regions within or near imprinted genes, and it is normally reprogrammed in the germline.

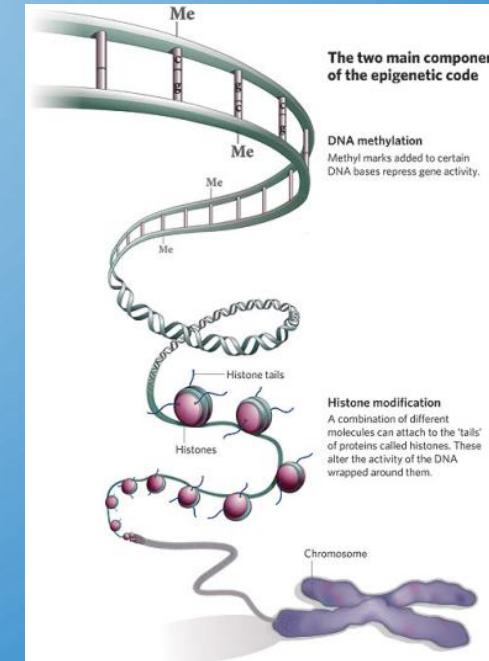
**Histone modifications** — including acetylation, methylation and phosphorylation — are important in transcriptional regulation and many are stably maintained during cell division, although the mechanism for this epigenetic Inheritance is not yet well understood. Proteins that mediate these modifications are often associated within the same complexes as those that regulate DNA methylation.

**RNA (interference)**

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Andrew P. Feinberg and Benjamin Tycko,

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# EPIGENETICS

*Epigenetics* : C. H. Waddington in 1942  
conceptual model of how genes might interact  
with their surroundings to produce a phenotype.

**Epigenetic:** heritable traits (over rounds of cell division and sometimes transgenerationally) that **do not involve changes to the underlying DNA sequence**

# EPIGENETIC EFFECTS: TRANSGENERATIONAL

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## TRANSGENERATIONAL EPIGENETIC INHERITANCE: PREVALENCE, MECHANISMS, AND IMPLICATIONS FOR THE STUDY OF HEREDITY AND EVOLUTION

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### ABSTRACT

*This review describes new developments in the study of transgenerational epigenetic inheritance, a component of epigenetics. We start by examining the basic concepts of the field and the mechanisms that underlie epigenetic inheritance. We present a comprehensive review of transgenerational cellular epigenetic inheritance among different taxa in the form of a table, and discuss the data contained therein. The analysis of these data shows that epigenetic inheritance is ubiquitous and suggests lines of research that go beyond present approaches to the subject. We conclude by exploring some of the consequences of epigenetic inheritance for the study of evolution, while also pointing to the importance of recognizing and understanding epigenetic inheritance for practical and theoretical issues in biology.*

# EFFECTS FROM ENVIRONMENT, TOXINS: EPITOXICOLOGY, BISPHENOLS?

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**Epigenetics and environmental chemicals**  
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**Purpose of review**  
Epigenetics investigates heritable changes in gene expression occurring without changes in DNA sequence. Several epigenetic mechanisms, including DNA methylation, histone modifications, and microRNA expression, can change genome function under exogenous influence. Here, we review current evidence indicating that epigenetic alterations mediate toxicity from environmental chemicals.

**Recent findings**  
In-vitro, animal, and human investigations have identified several classes of environmental chemicals that modify epigenetic marks, including metals (cadmium, arsenic, nickel, chromium, and methylmercury), peroxisome proliferators (trichloroethylene, dichloroacetic acid, and TCA), air pollutants (particulate matter, black carbon, and benzene), and endocrine-disrupting/reproductive toxicants (diethylstilbestrol, bisphenol A, persistent organic pollutants, and dioxin). Most studies conducted so far have been centered on DNA methylation, whereas only a few investigations have studied environmental chemicals in relation to histone modifications and microRNA.

**Summary**  
For several exposures, it has been proved that chemicals can alter epigenetic marks, and that the same or similar epigenetic alterations can be found in patients with the disease of concern or in diseased tissues. Future prospective investigations are needed to determine whether exposed individuals develop epigenetic alterations over time and, in turn, which such alterations increase the risk of disease. Also, further research is needed to determine whether environmental epigenetic changes are transmitted transgenerationally.

**Keywords**  
DNA methylation, environment, epigenetics, histone modification, microRNA

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# EFFECTS FROM THE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT, STRESS

## Review

### Epigenetic programming of the stress response in male and female rats by prenatal restraint stress

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Exposure to hostile conditions results in a series of coordinated responses aimed at enhancing the probability of survival. The activation of the hypothalamo-pituitary-adrenocortical (HPA) axis plays a pivotal role in the stress response. While the short-term activation of the HPA axis allows adaptive responses to the challenge, in the long run this can be devastating for the organism. In particular, life events occurring during the perinatal period have strong long-term effects on the behavioral and neuroendocrine response to stressors. In male and female rats exposed to prenatal restraint stress (PRS), these effects include a long-lasting hyperactivation of the HPA response associated with an altered circadian rhythm of corticosterone secretion. Furthermore, male animals exhibit sleep disturbances. In males, these HPA dysfunctions have been reported in infant, young, adult and aged animals, thus suggesting a permanent effect of early stress. Interestingly, after exposure to an intense inescapable footshock, female PRS rats durably exhibit a blunted corticosterone secretion response to stress. In male PRS rats exposed to an alcohol challenge, the HPA axis is similarly hyporesponsive. Rats exposed to PRS also show behavioral disturbances. Both male and female PRS rats show high anxiety levels and depression-like behavior during adulthood, although some studies suggest that female PRS rats present low anxiety levels. With ageing male and female PRS rats exhibit memory impairments in hippocampus-dependent tasks, while female PRS rats improve their memory performance during adulthood. The gender effect on behavior seems to be related to a reduction in hippocampal plasticity in male PRS rats, and an increase in female PRS rats. Despite the permanent imprinting induced by early stress, the dysfunctions observed after PRS can be reversed by environmental or pharmacological strategies such as environmental enrichment or antidepressive and neurotrophic treatments. Mechanisms underlying the effects of PRS on the offspring remain largely unknown. However, previous studies have demonstrated that maternal glucocorticoids during pregnancy play an important role in the HPA disturbances reported

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Review

Epigenetic mechanisms and the transgenerational effects of maternal care

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**Abstract**

The transmission of traits across generations has typically been attributed to the inheritance by offspring of genomic information from parental generations. However, recent evidence suggests that epigenetic mechanisms are capable of mediating this type of transmission. In the case of maternal care, there is evidence for the behavioral transmission of postpartum behavior from mothers to female offspring. The neuroendocrine and molecular mediators of this transmission have been explored in rats and implicate estrogen–oxytocin interactions and the differential methylation of hypothalamic estrogen receptors. These maternal effects can influence multiple aspects of neurobiology and behavior of offspring and this particular mode of inheritance is dynamic in response to environmental variation. In this review, evidence for the generational transmission of maternal care and the mechanisms underlying this transmission will be discussed as will the implications of this inheritance system for offspring development and for the transmission of environmental information from parents to offspring.

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**Epigenetics: Stressed for life**

Leonie Welberg

Early-life stress (ELS) has long-lasting effects on the brain, and the epigenetic mechanisms underlying them are beginning to be unravelled. Murgatroyd *et al.* now show that methyl-CpG-binding protein 2 (*MeCP2*)-mediated regulation of arginine vasopressin (*Avp*) gene expression in parvocellular hypothalamus neurons contributes to the phenotype induced by maternal separation in mice.

As in previous studies, daily 3-hour separation of mouse pups from their mother persistently altered the offspring's hormonal and behavioural responses to stress; this included elevated *Avp* mRNA levels in the hypothalamus. Importantly, treatment with an *AVP V1b* receptor antagonist reversed the mice's increased stress responses and impaired memory, indicating a central role for *AVP* in the ELS phenotype.

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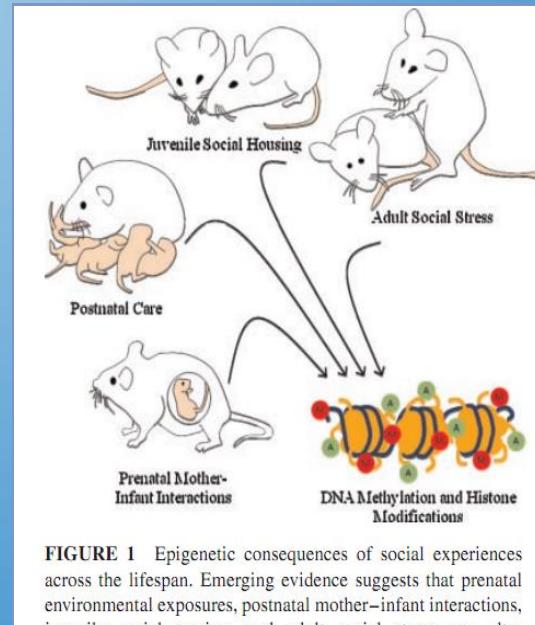
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## Epigenetic Influence of Social Experiences Across the Lifespan

**ABSTRACT:** The critical role of social interactions in driving phenotypic variation has long been inferred from the association between early social deprivation and adverse neurodevelopmental outcomes. Recent evidence has implicated molecular pathways involved in the regulation of gene expression as one possible route through which these long-term outcomes are achieved. These epigenetic effects, though not exclusive to social experiences, may be a mechanism through which the quality of the social environment becomes embedded at a biological level. Moreover, there is increasing evidence for the transgenerational impact of these early experiences mediated through changes in social and reproductive behavior exhibited in adulthood. In this review, recent studies which highlight the epigenetic effects of parent–offspring, peer and adult social interactions both with and across generations will be discussed and the implications of this research for understanding the developmental origins of individual differences in brain and behavior will be explored. © 2010 Wiley Periodicals, Inc. Dev Psychobiol

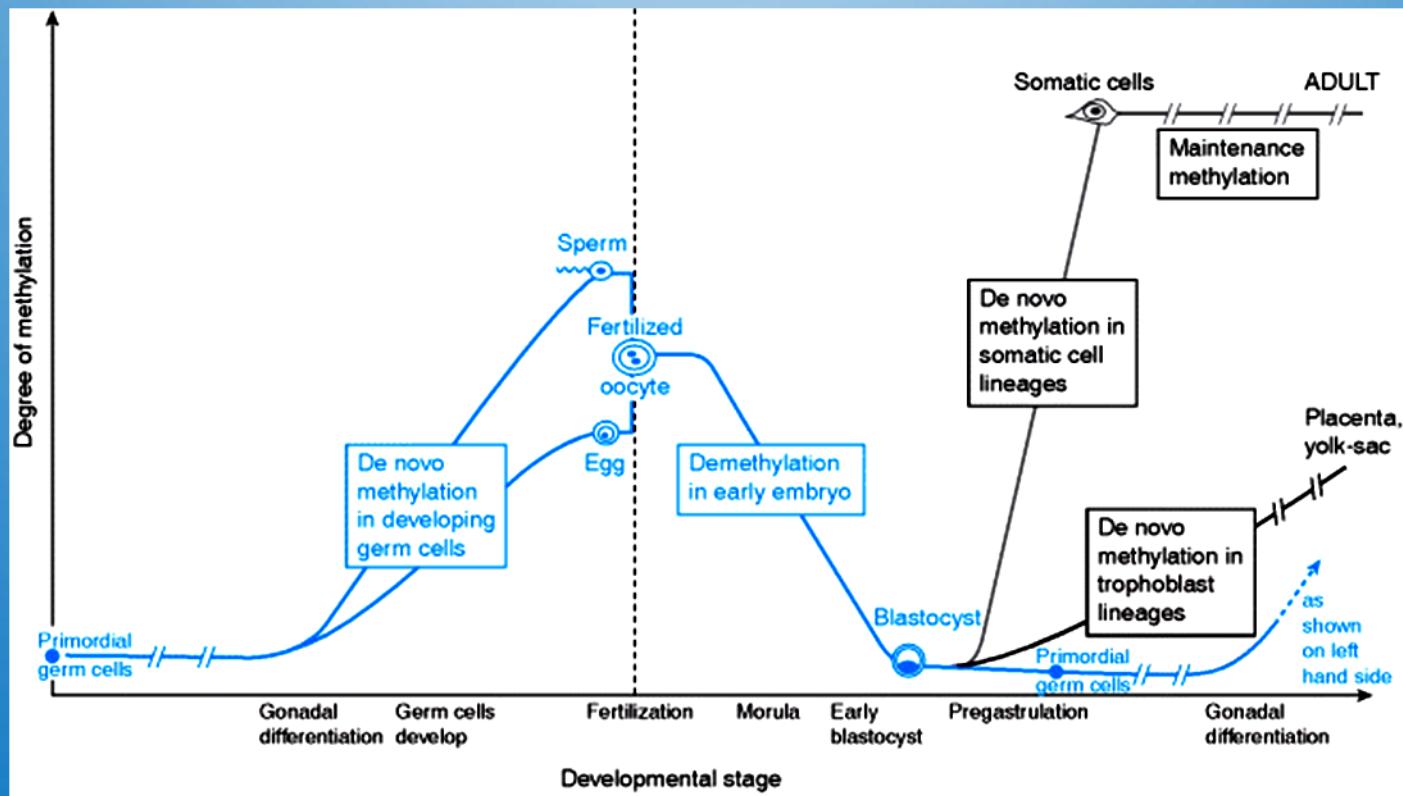
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**FIGURE 1** Epigenetic consequences of social experiences across the lifespan. Emerging evidence suggests that prenatal environmental exposures, postnatal mother–infant interactions, juvenile social rearing, and adult social stress can alter epigenetic processes such as DNA methylation (red circles) and histone acetylation (green circles)/methylation with long-term consequences for gene expression, physiology, and behavior.

# LIFE TIME CHANGES IN DNA METHYLATION

## EPIGENETIC TISSUE SPECIFIC, TRANSGENERATIONAL BUT HOW ?





## WHY YOUR DNA ISN'T YOUR DESTINY

The new science of epigenetics reveals how the choices you make can change your genes—and those of your kids

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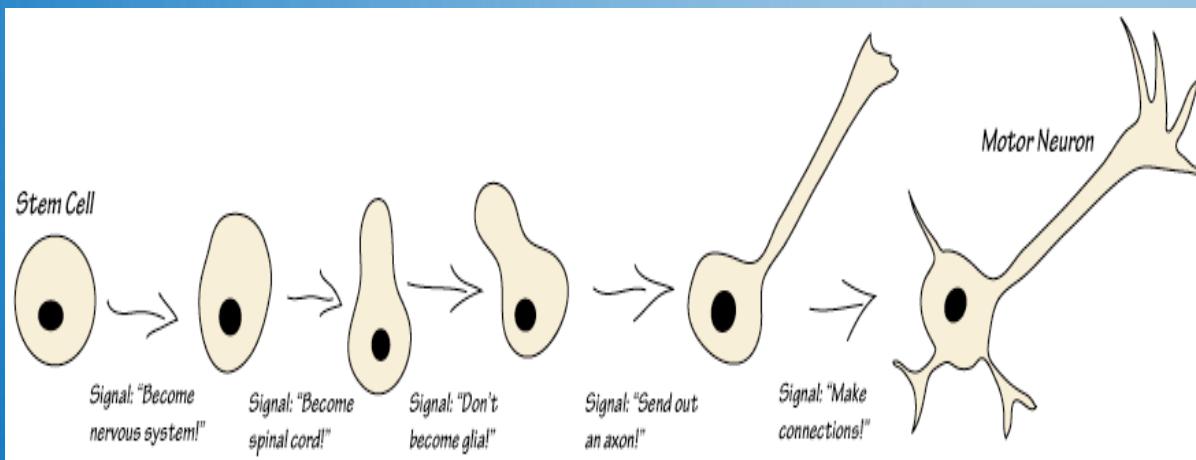
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The term epigenetics refers to **heritable changes in gene expression** (active versus inactive genes) that does not involve changes to the underlying DNA sequence; a change in phenotype without a change in genotype.

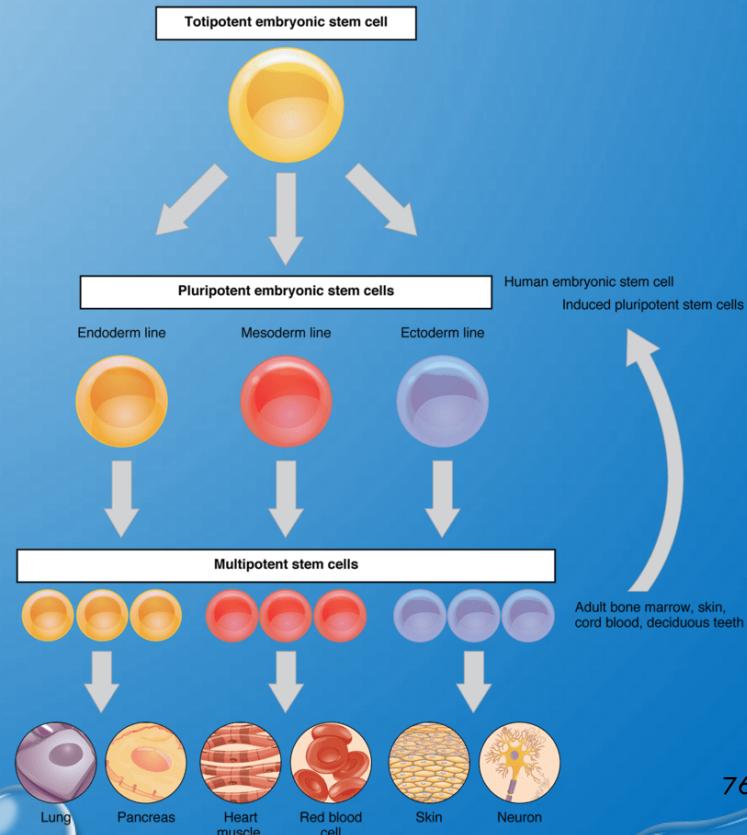
- The term epigenetics, which was coined by Conrad H. Waddington in 1942, was derived from the Greek word “epigenesis” which originally described the influence of genetic processes on development. Conrad H. Waddington and Ernst Hadorn, started the study of epigenetics.



# EPIGENETICS IN DIFFERENTIATION

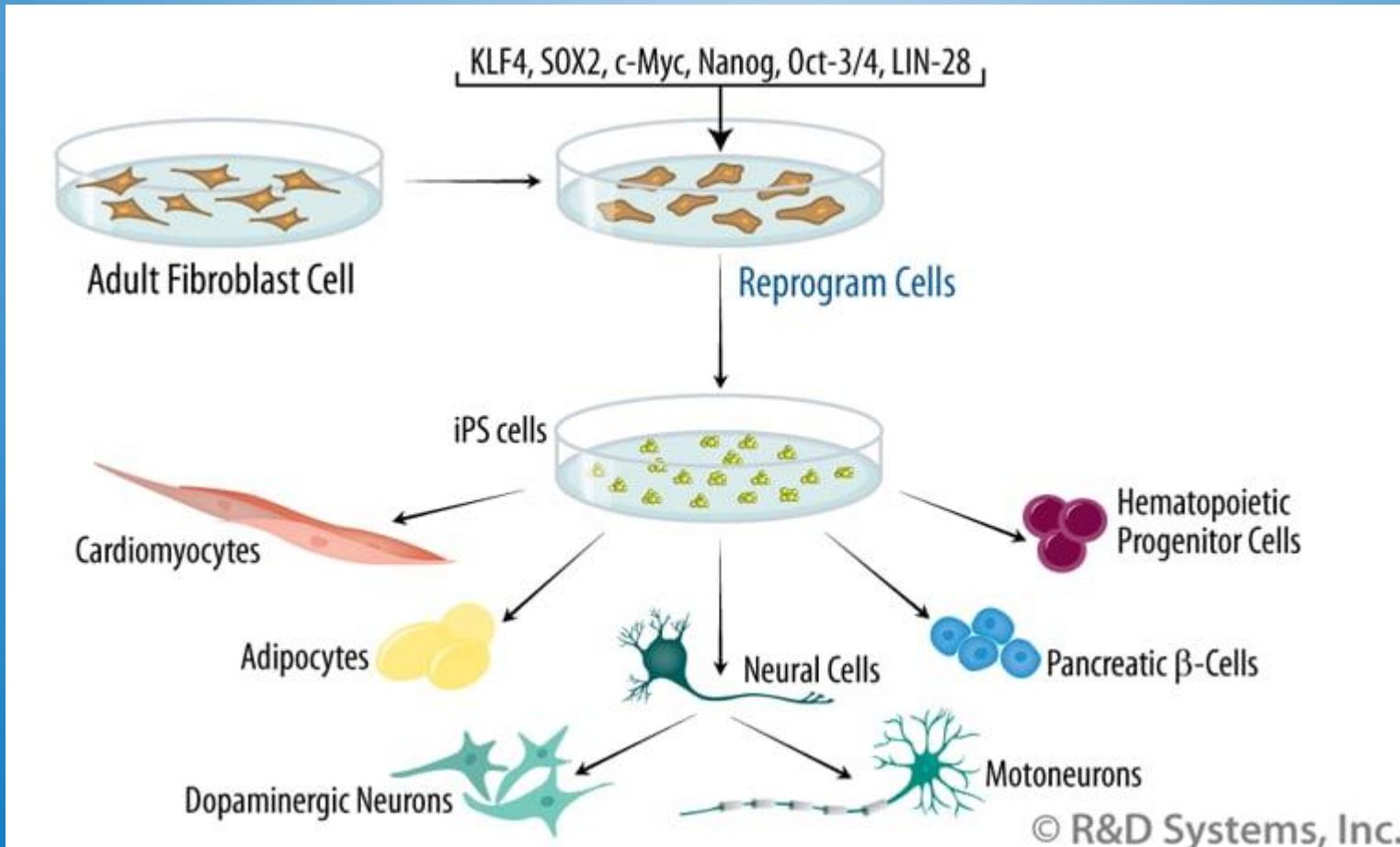


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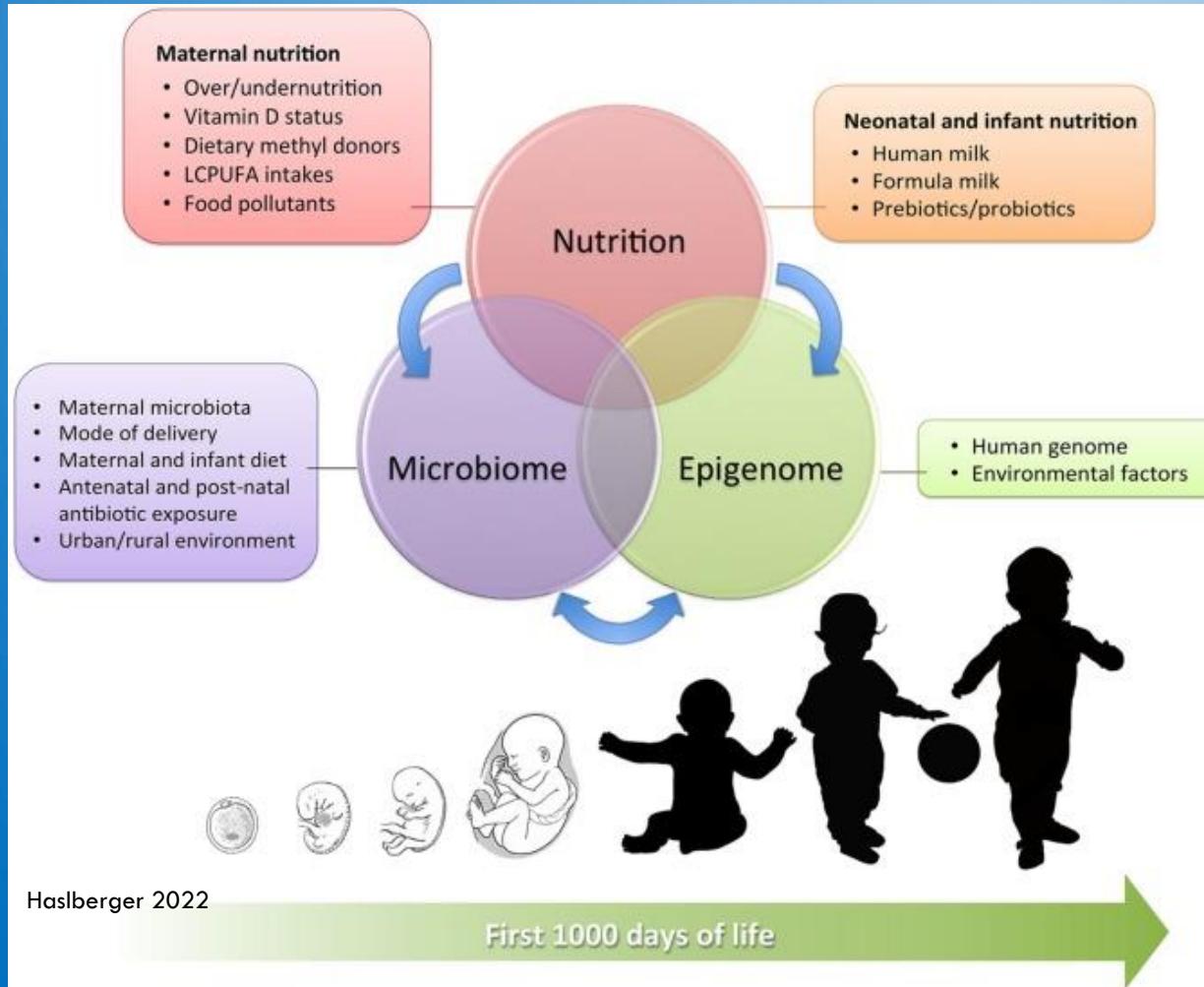
# EPIGENETICS IN RE-DIFFERENTIATION



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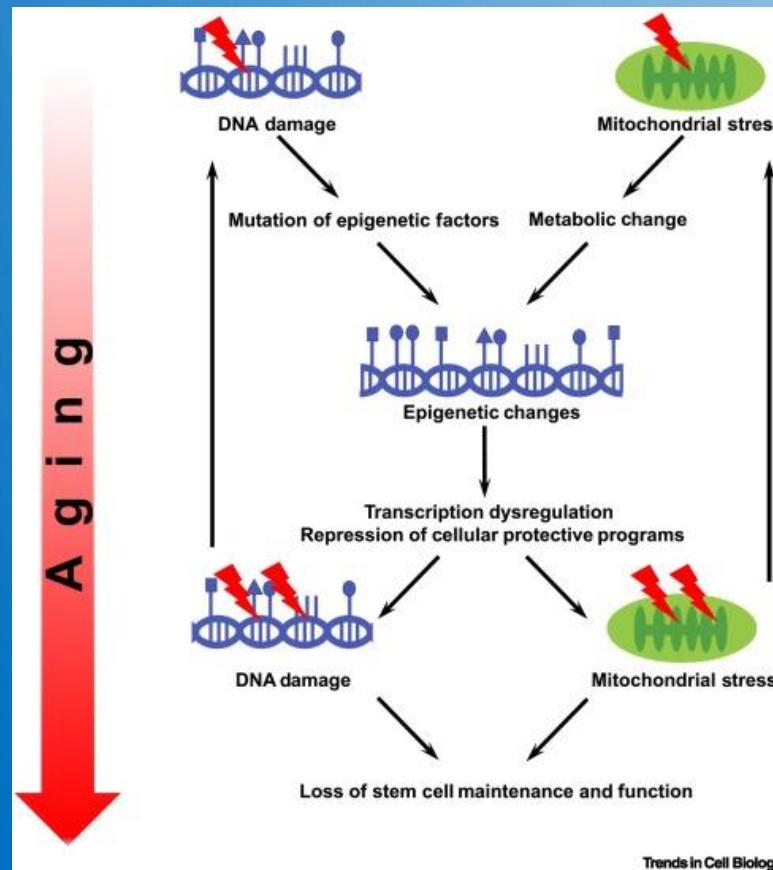
- . For most cell types, four factors (c-Myc, Oct-3/4, SOX2, and KLF4) are used

# THE FIRST 1000 DAYS OF LIFE



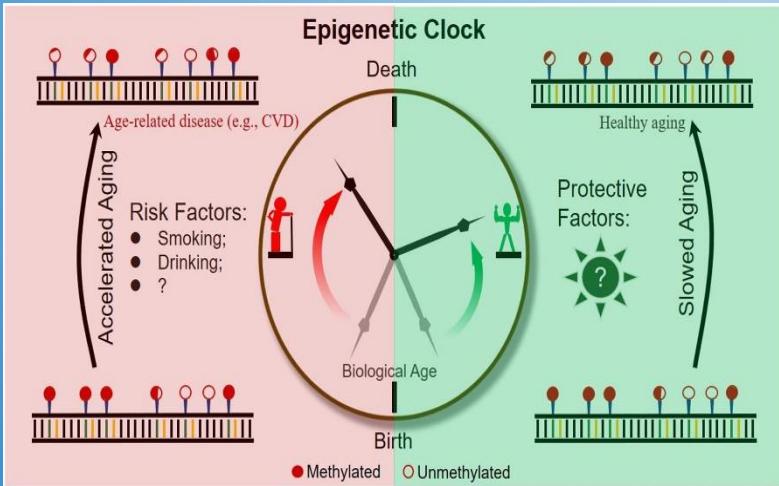
- Epigenetic tags act as a kind of **cellular memory**. A cell's epigenetic profile -- a collection of tags that tell genes whether to be on or off -- is the sum of the signals it has received during its lifetime.
- First 100 days of life imprinting

# EVEN INTO OLD AGE, EPIGENETICS AND STEM CELLS

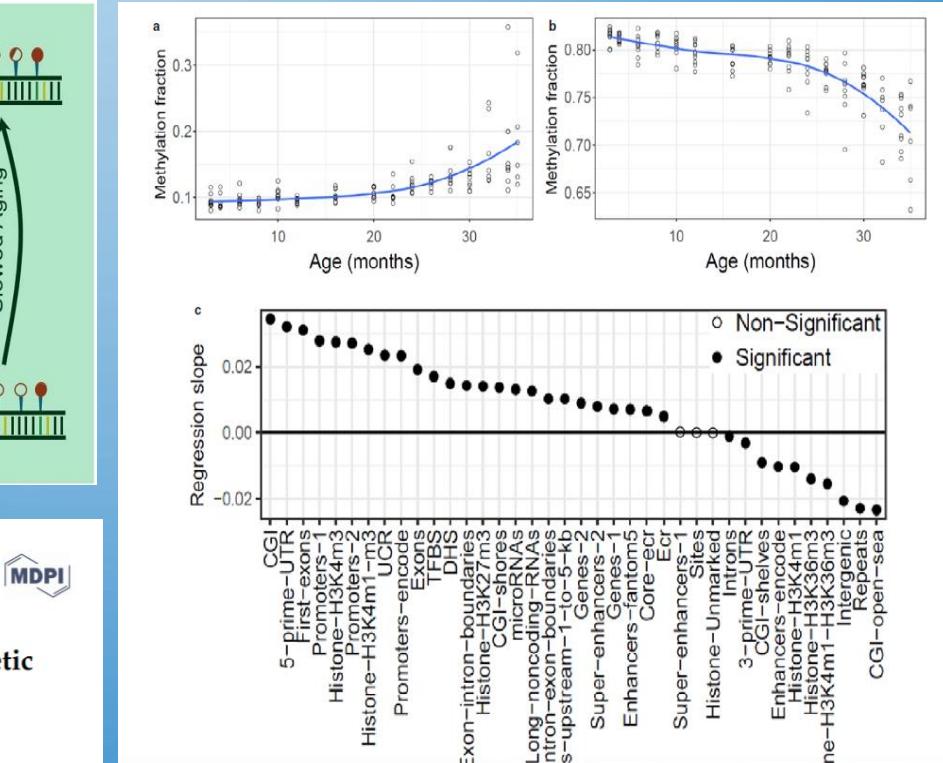
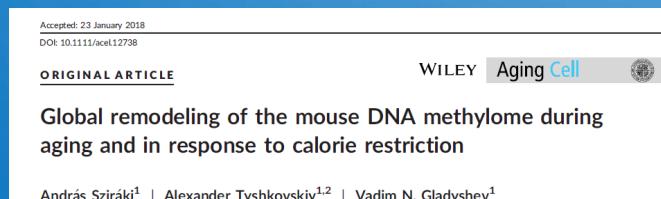


DURING THESE PROCESSES, JUST LIKE DURING EMBRYONIC DEVELOPMENT, THE CELL'S EXPERIENCES ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE EPIGENOME, WHERE THEY SHUT DOWN AND ACTIVATE SPECIFIC SETS OF GENES.

# Epigenetic clock



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Intrinsic age: horvath multiple tissues.

Extrinsic Hannum, blood cell

# *EPIGENETIC DISEASES MENTAL RETARDATION DISORDERS*

- Epigenetic changes are also linked to several **disorders** that result in intellectual disabilities such as ATR-X, **Fragile X**, Rett, Beckwith-Wiedman (BWS), **Prader-Willi** and **Angelman syndromes**. For example, the imprint disorders Prader-Willi syndrome and Angelman syndrome, display an abnormal phenotype as a result of the absence of the paternal or maternal copy of a gene, respectively.

## *NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS*

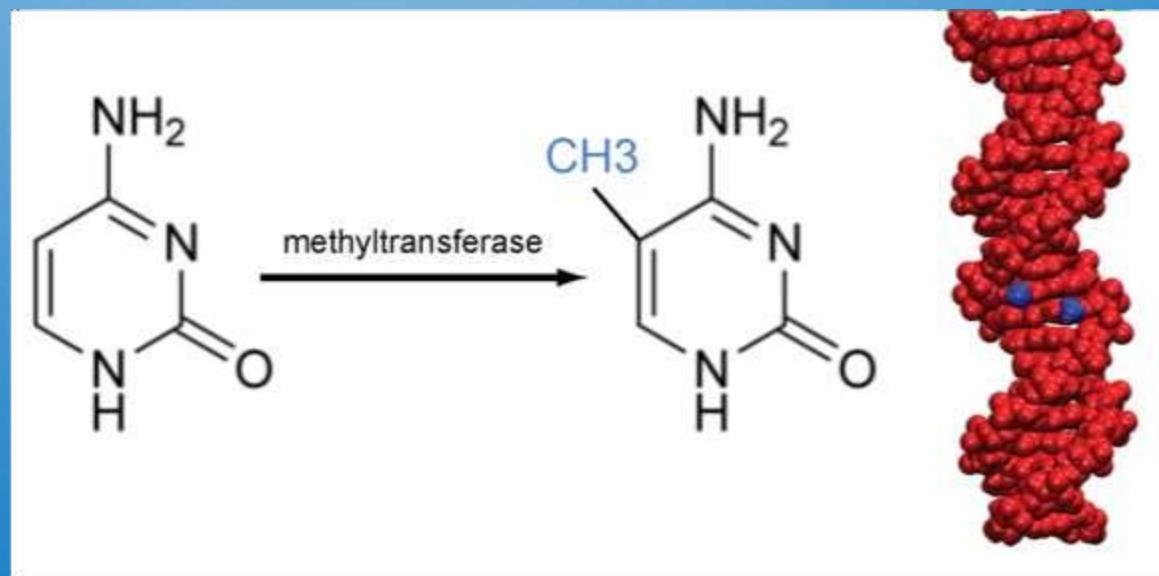
- Epigenetic errors also play a role in the causation of complex adult psychiatric, autistic, and neurodegenerative disorders. Several reports have **associated schizophrenia and mood disorders with DNA rearrangements that include the DNMT genes.**

## *NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS*

- DNMT1 is selectively overexpressed in gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA)-ergic interneurons of schizophrenic brains, whereas hypermethylation has been shown to repress expression of Reelin (a protein required for normal neurotransmission, memory formation and synaptic plasticity) in brain tissue from patients with schizophrenia and patients with bipolar illness and psychosis.

# DNA METHYLATION

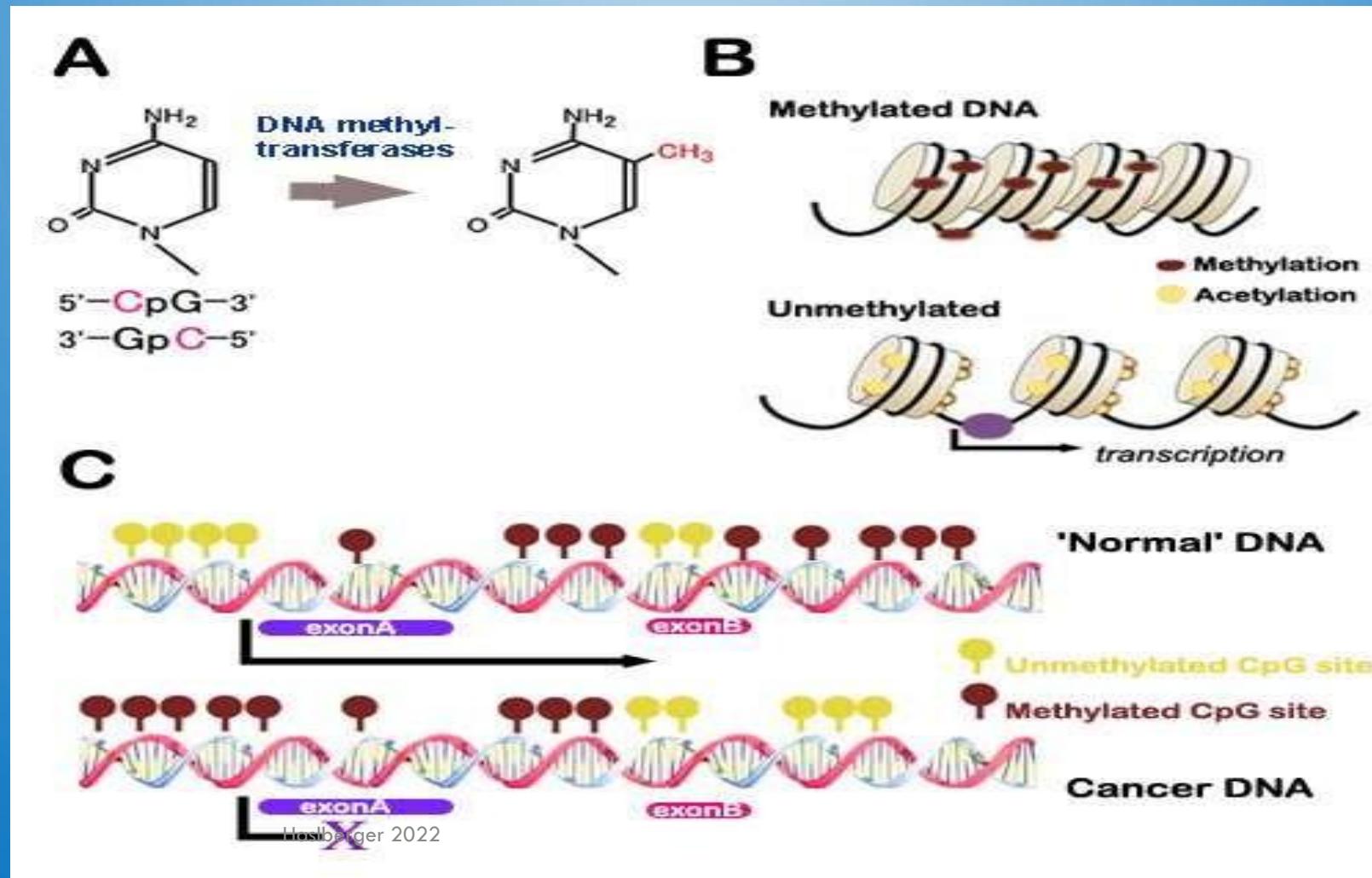
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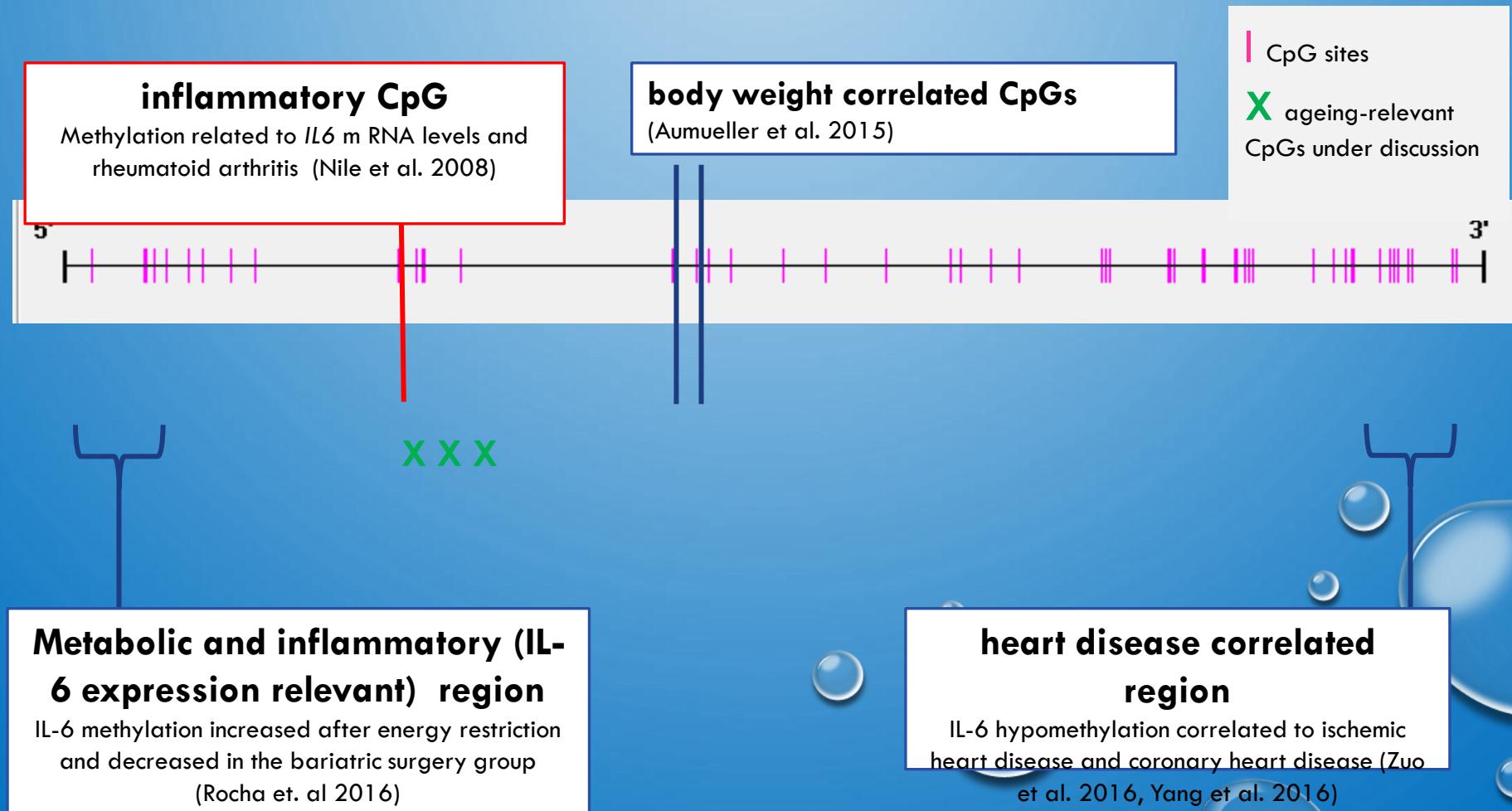
# NATURAL ROLES OF DNA METHYLATION IN MAMMALIAN SYSTEM

- Imprinting
- X chromosome inactivation
- Heterochromatin maintenance
- Developmental controls
- Tissue specific expression controls

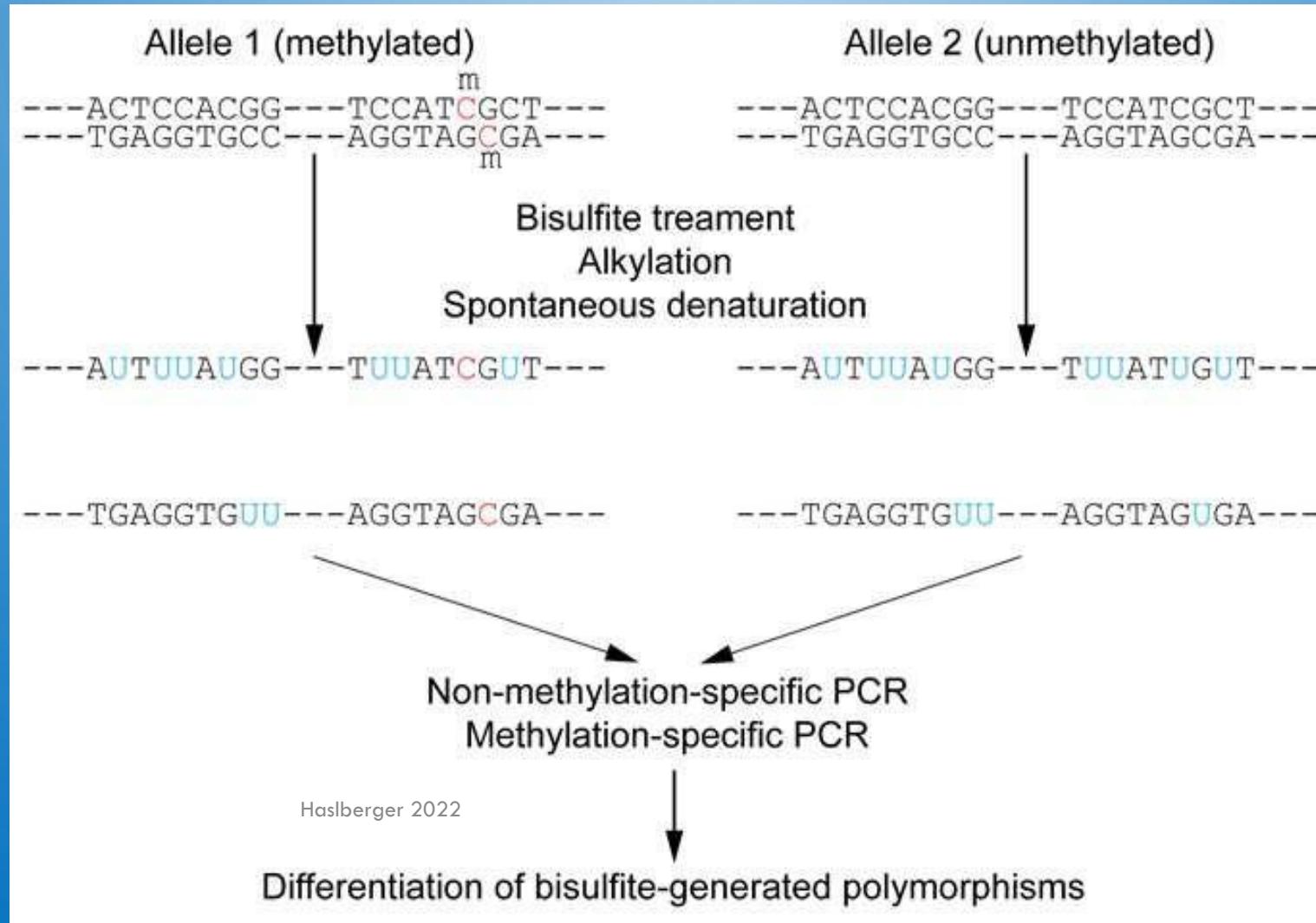
# DNA METHYLATION AND OTHER HUMAN DISEASES

- **-- Imprinting Disorder:**
  - Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrom (BWS)
  - Prader-Willi syndrome (PWS)
  - Transient neonatal diabetes mellitus (TNDM)
- **-- Repeat-instability diseases**
  - Fragile X syndrome (FRAXA)
  - Facioscapulohumeral muscular dystroph
- **-- Defects of the methylation machinery**
  - Systemic lupus erythemtosus (SLE)
  - Immunodeficiency, centromeric instability and facial anomalies (ICF) syndrome

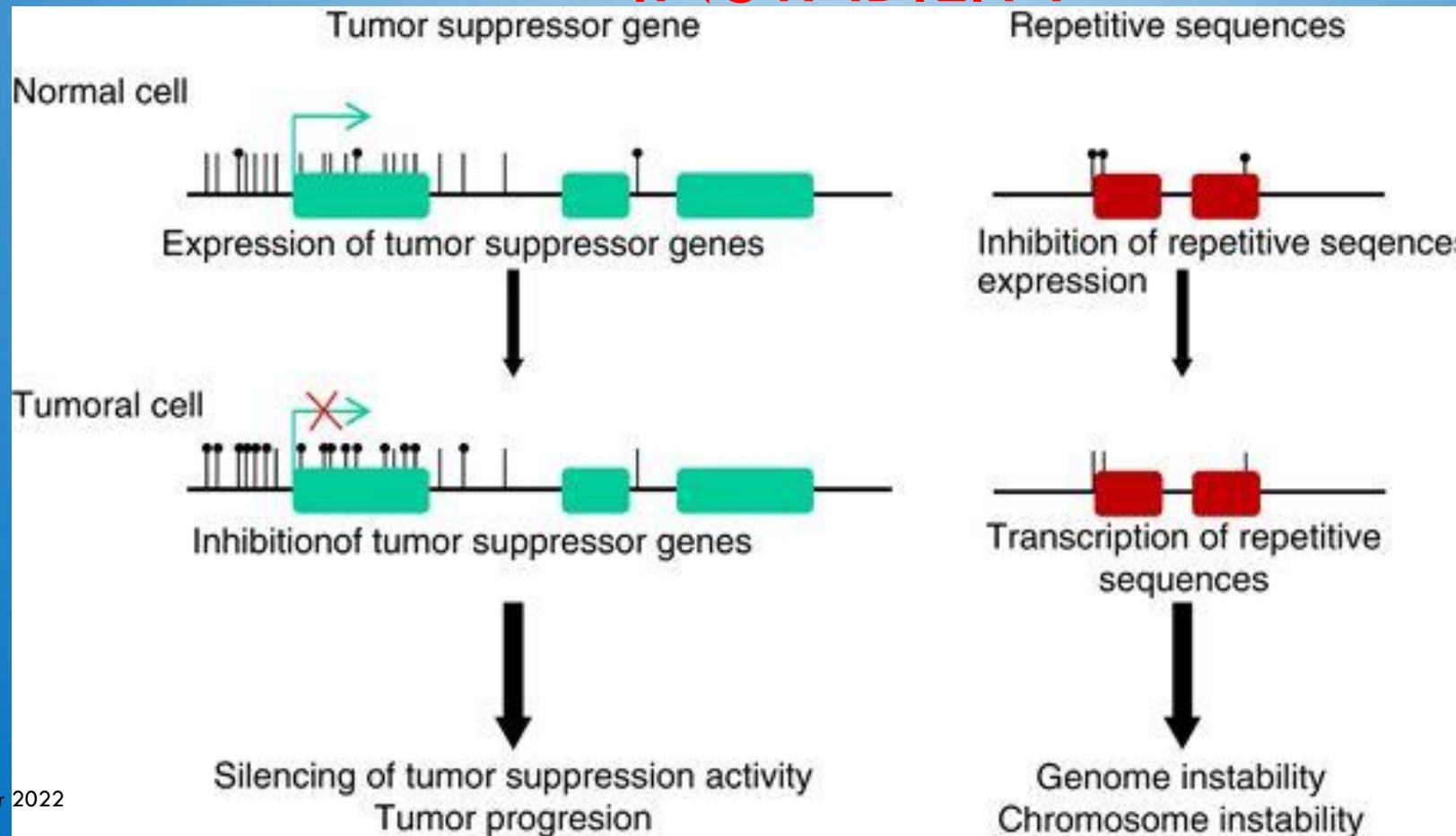
# DIFFERENT EPIGENETIC CPG SITES IN GENES, E.G. IN IL-6 PROMOTOR



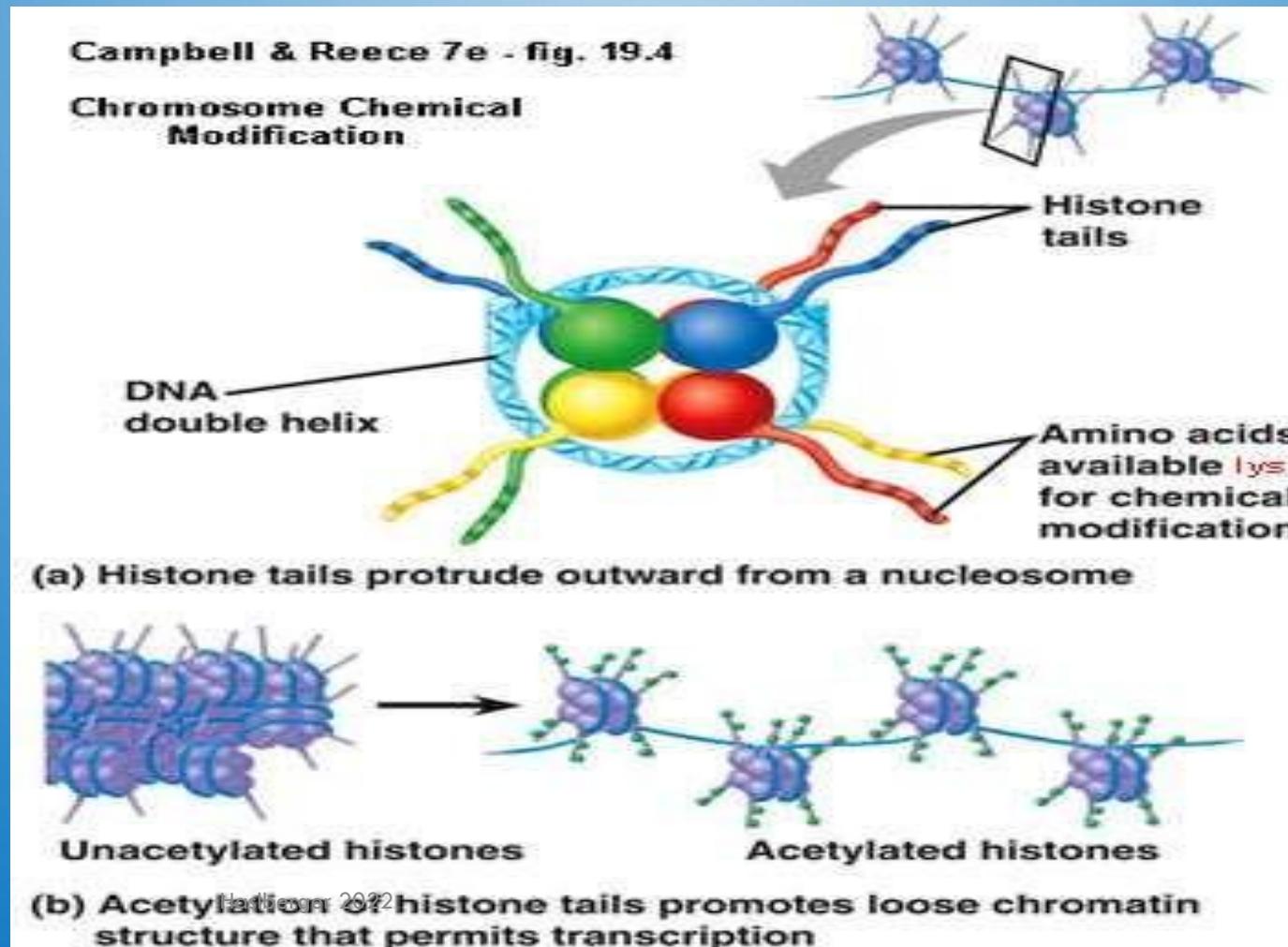
# CPG METHYLATION: METHOD BISULFITE SEQUENCING



# METHYLATION, TUMOR SUPPRESSOR, DNA INSTABILITY



# HISTONE MODIFICATIONS



# HISTONE MODIFICATION THE HISTONE CODE

- Acetylation
- Methylation
- Phosphorylation
- Ubiquitylation
- sumoylation
- Enzymes catalyzing
  - Histone acetyltransferase
  - Histone deacetylase
  - Histone methyltransferase
  - Histone kinase

**Table 1 | Chromatin modifications**

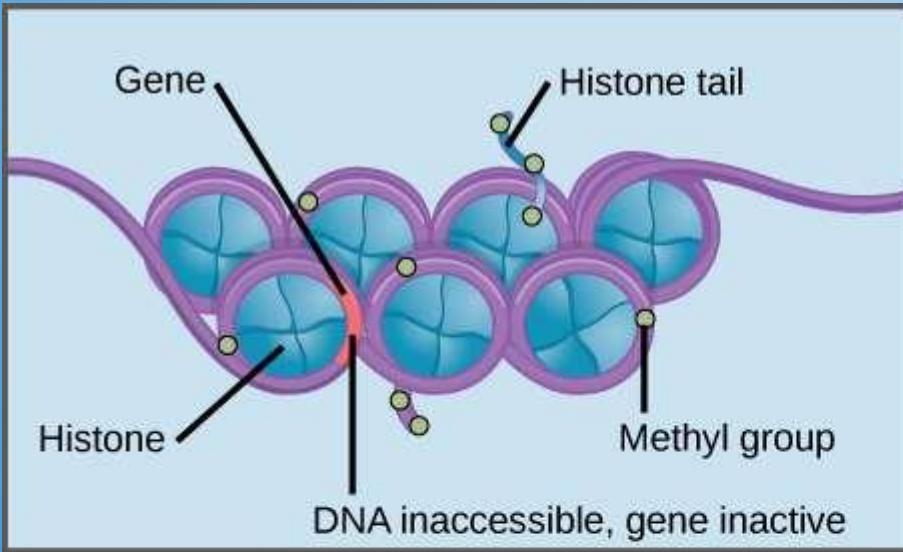
Mark*	Transcriptionally relevant sites†	Transcriptional role‡
<b>DNA methylation</b>		
Methylated cytosine (meC)	CpG islands	Repression
<b>Histone PTMs</b>		
Acetylated lysine (Kac)	H3 (9, 14, 18, 56), H4 (5, 8, 13, 16), H2A, H2B	Activation
Phosphorylated serine/threonine (S/Tph)	H3 (3, 10, 28), H2A, H2B	Activation
Methylated arginine (Rme)	H3 (17, 23), H4 (3)	Activation
Methylated lysine (Kme)	H3 (4, 36, 79) H3 (9, 27), H4 (20)	Activation Repression
Ubiquitylated lysine (Kub)	H2B (123§/120¶) H2A (119¶)	Activation Repression
Sumoylated lysine (Ksu)	H2B (6/7), H2A (126)	Repression
Isomerized proline (Pisom)	H3 (30-38)	Activation/ repression

# HISTONE MODIFICATION

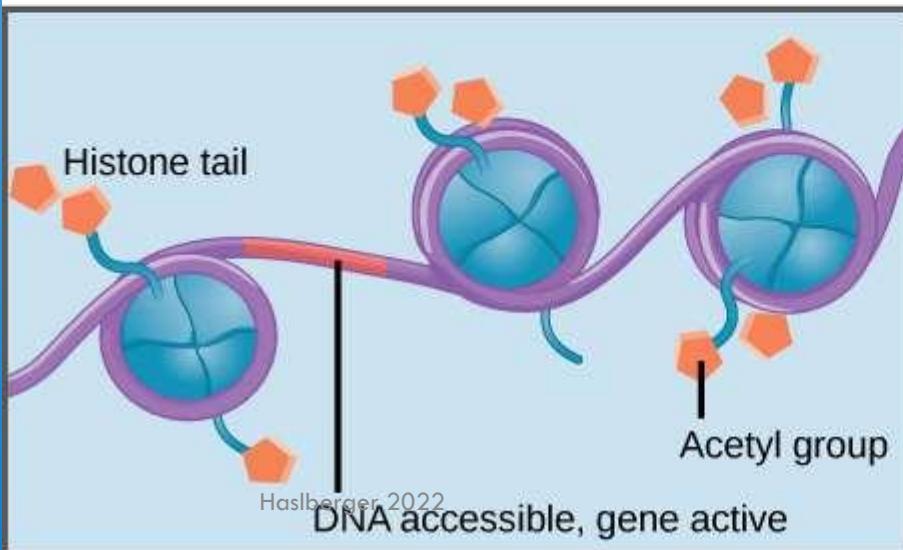
- Histones are subject to a wide variety of posttranslational modifications including but not limited to, lysine acetylation, lysine and arginine methylation, serine and threonine phosphorylation, and lysine ubiquitination and sumoylation (Vasquero 2003). These modifications occur primarily within the histone amino-terminal tails protruding from the surface of the nucleosome as well as on the globular core region (Cosgrove 2004).

# HISTONE MODIFICATION

- Histone modifications are proposed to affect chromosome function through at least two distinct mechanisms. The first mechanism suggests modifications may alter the electrostatic charge of the histone resulting in a structural change in histones or their binding to DNA.
- The second mechanism proposes that these modifications are binding sites for protein recognition modules, such as the bromodomains or chromodomains, that recognize acetylated lysines or methylated lysine, respectively.

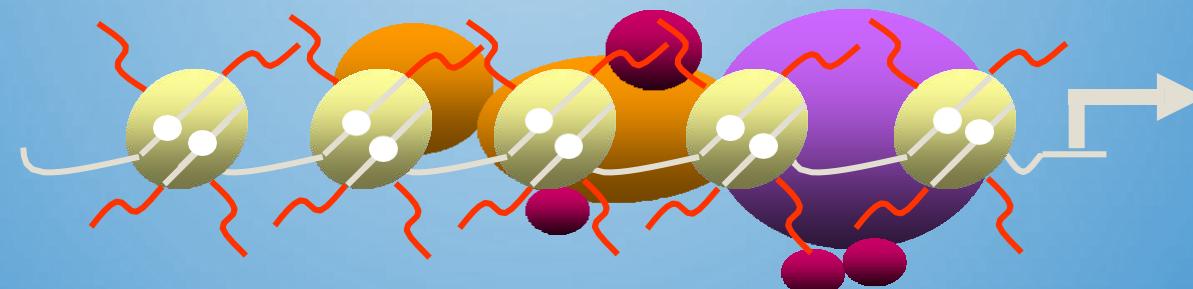


Methylation of DNA and histones causes nucleosomes to pack tightly together. Transcription factors cannot bind the DNA, and genes are not expressed.



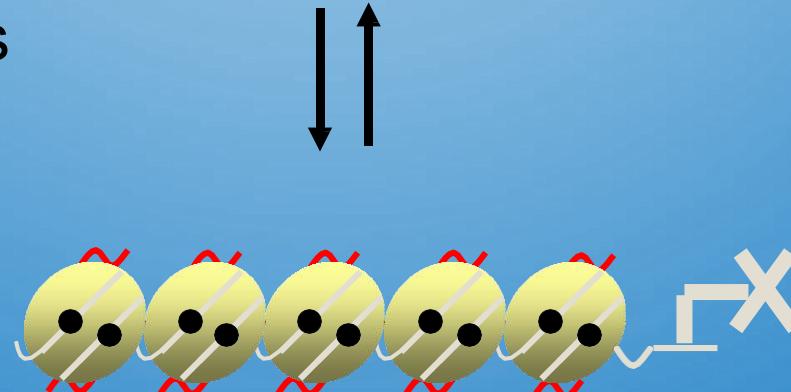
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# EFFECT OF HISTONE MODIFICATION



Methylation turns  
off genes.

Acetylation turn  
genes on.



Methylated  
DNA

Histone

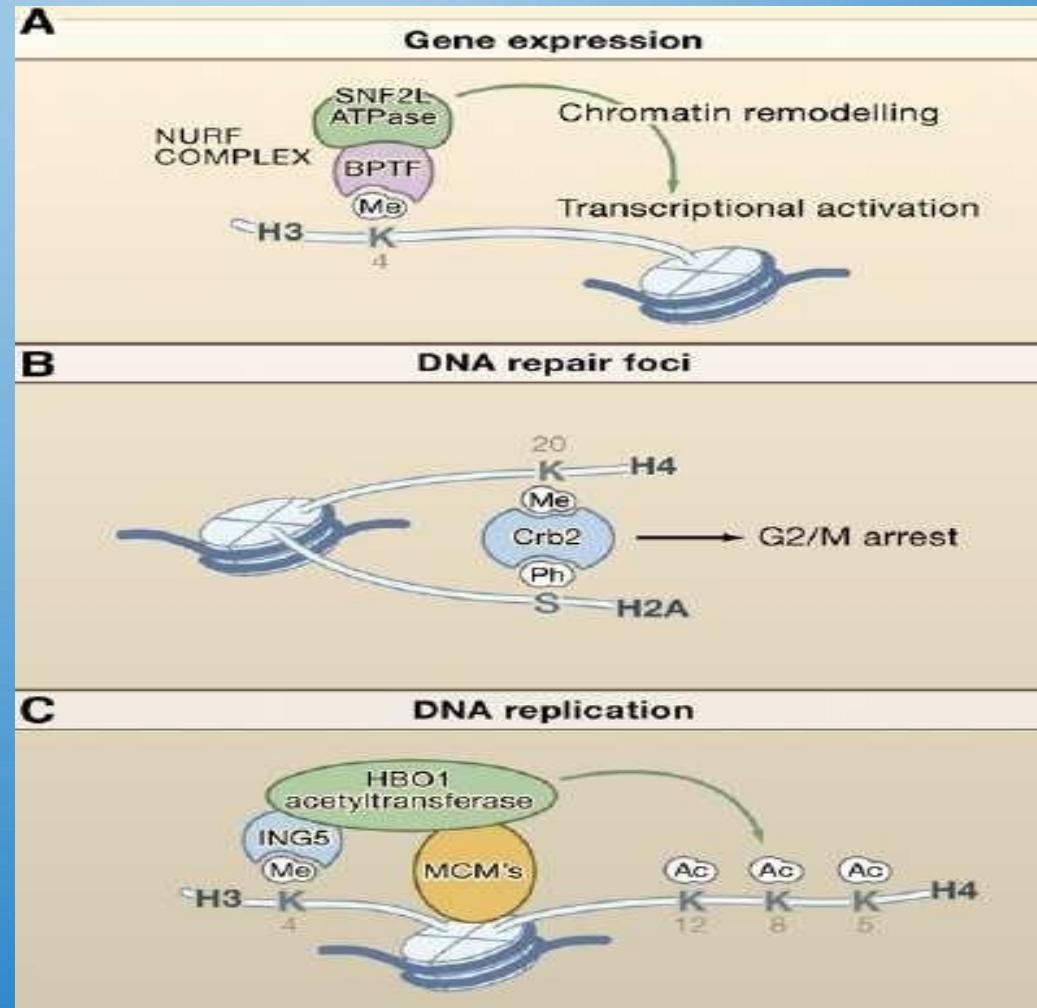
# HISTONE MODIFICATION STATUS CORRELATES WITH TRANSCRIPTIONAL ACTIVITY



- Gene activation correlated with **H3-K9 acetylation**
- Gene silencing associated with **H3-K9 methylation**

# ROLE OF HISTONE MODIFICATION

- DNA transcription
- DNA repair
- DNA replication



# HISTONE MODIFICATIONS AND HUMAN DISEASES

Coffin-Lowry syndrome is a rare genetic disorder characterized by mental retardation and abnormalities of the head and facial and other areas. It is caused by mutations in the RSK2 gene (histone phosphorylation) and is inherited as an X-linked dominant genetic trait. Males are usually more severely affected than females.



Rubinstein-Taybi syndrome is characterized by short stature, moderate to severe intellectual disability, distinctive facial features, and broad thumbs and first toes. It is caused by mutations in CREB-binding protein (histone acetylation)

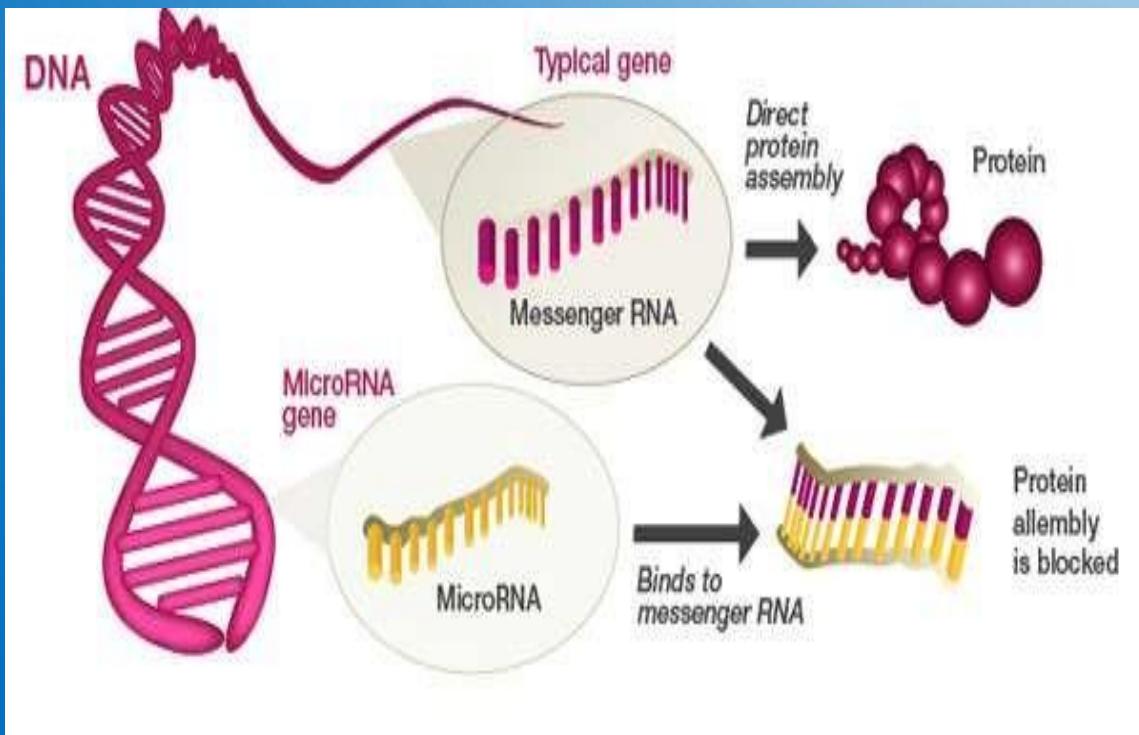
# HISTONE MODIFICATION INTERFERS WITH APOPTOSIS



## NON-CODING RNA (ncRNA)-ASSOCIATED GENE

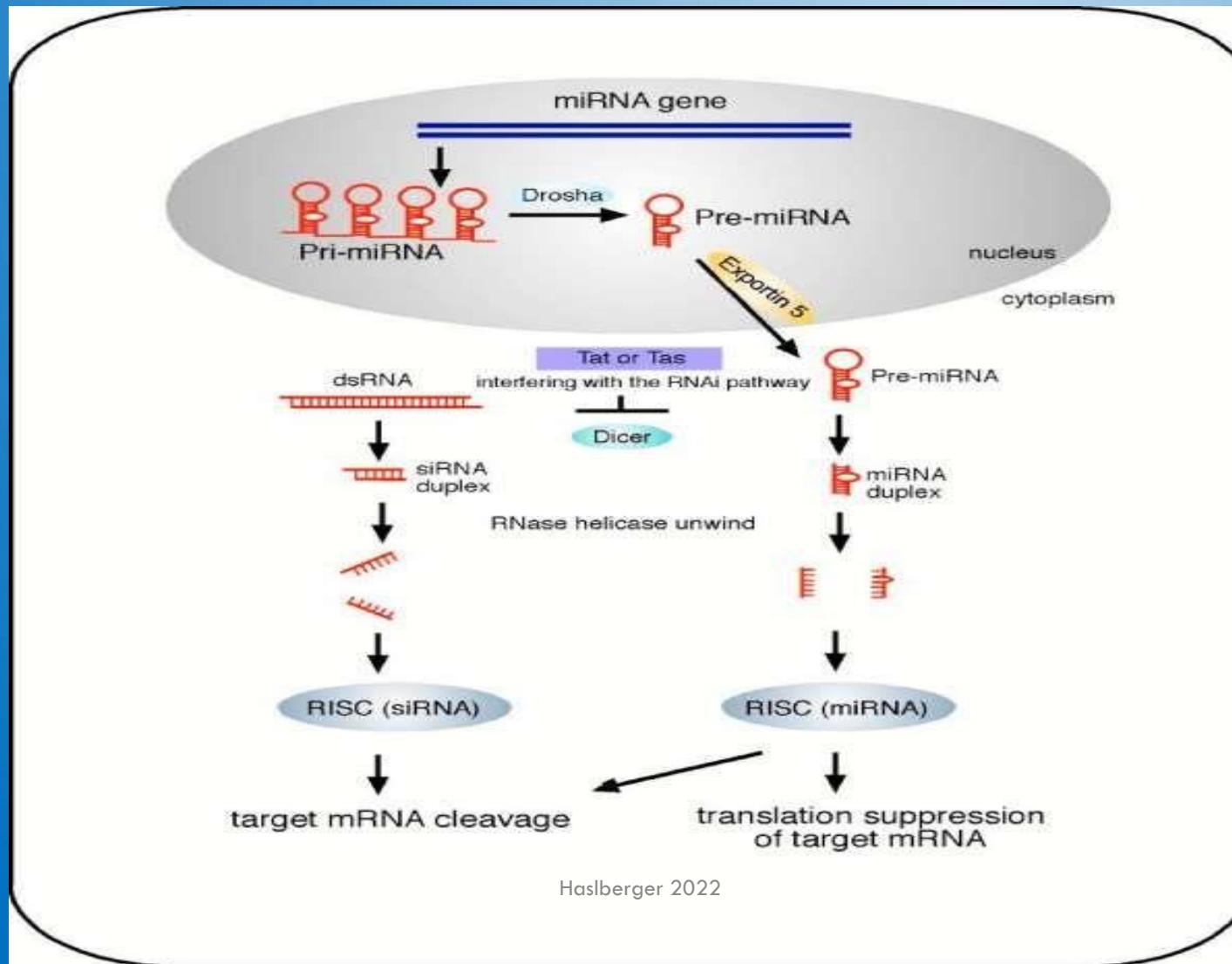
- miRNAs or ncRNA represent small RNA molecules encoded in the genomes of plants and animals. These highly conserved 22 nucleotides long RNA sequences regulate the expression of genes by binding to the 3'-untranslated regions (3'-UTR) of specific mRNAs. A growing body of evidence shows that miRNAs are one of the key players in cell differentiation and growth, mobility and apoptosis (programmed cell death).

# RNA INTERFERENCE

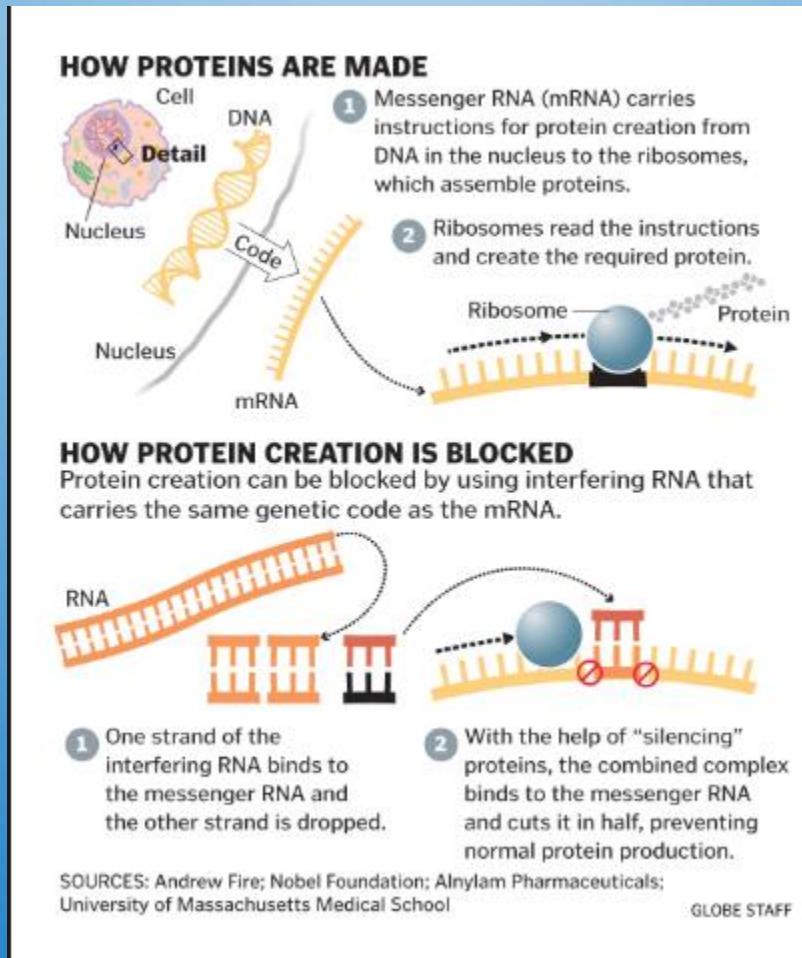


- miRNAs regulate diverse aspects of development and physiology, thus understanding its biological role is proving more and more important. Analysis of miRNA expression may provide valuable information, as dysregulation of its function can lead to human diseases such as cancer, cardiovascular and metabolic diseases, liver conditions and immune dysfunction.

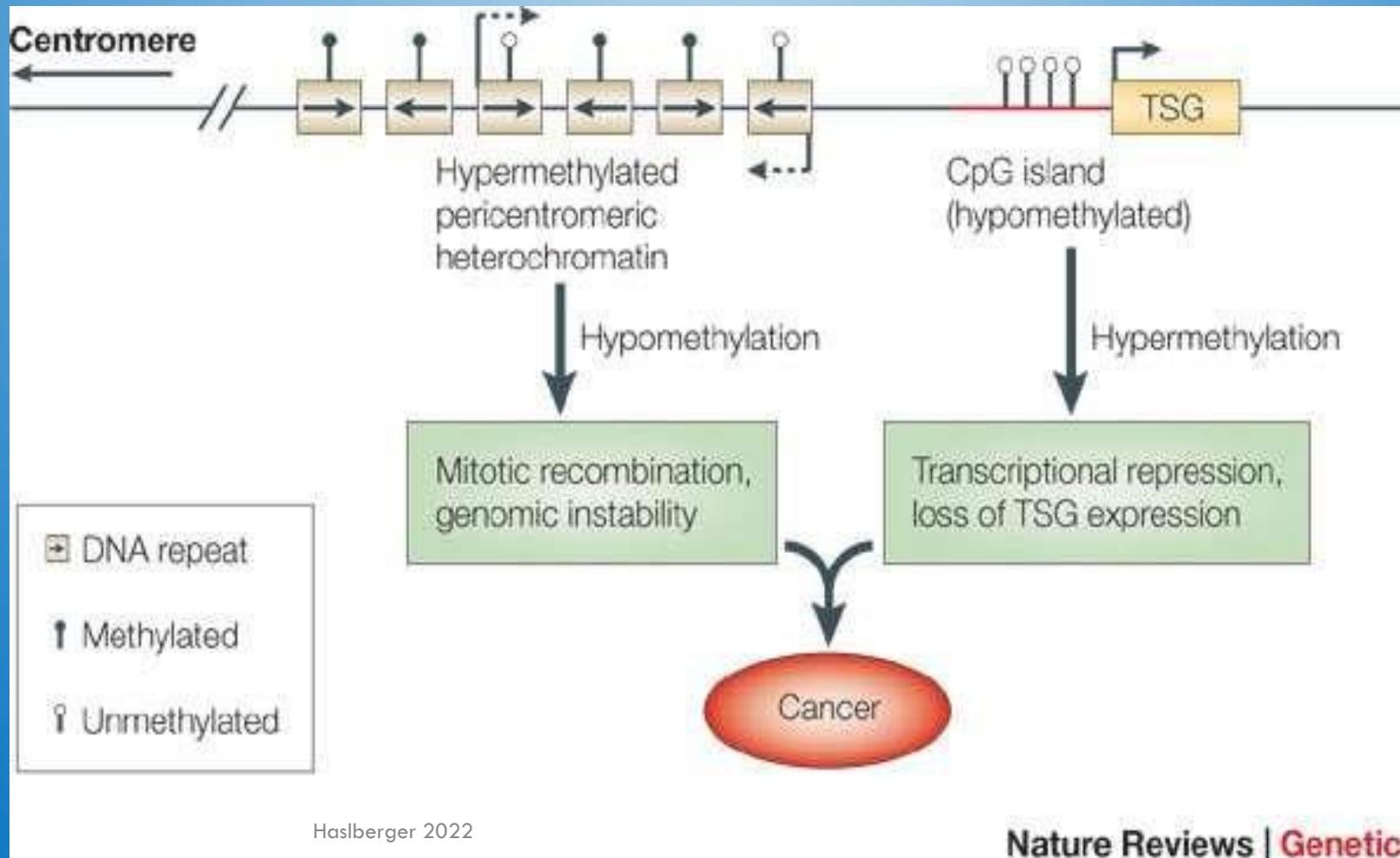
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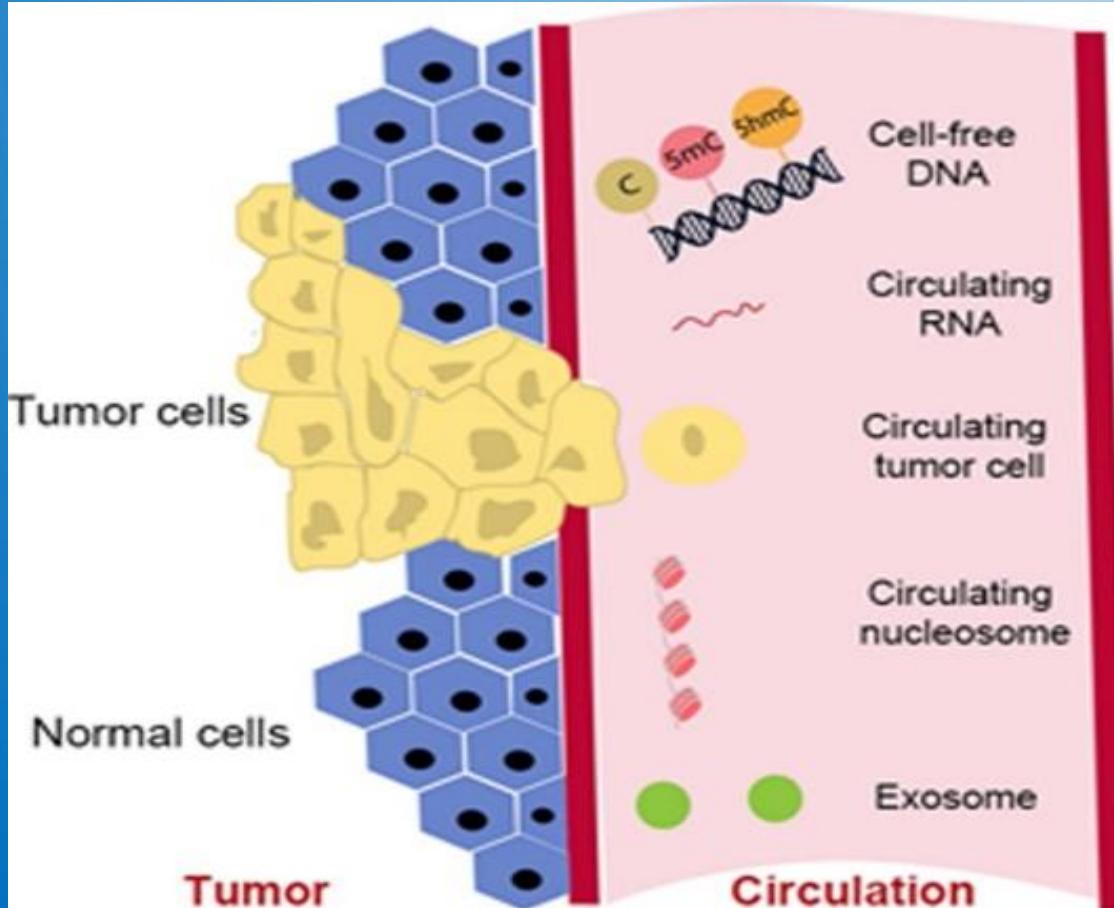
# RNA INTERFERENCE AND PROTEINS



# DNA METHYLATION AND CANCER



# PRECISION MEDICINE, ESPECIALLY CFDNA PRECISION NUTRITION



ORIGINAL ARTICLES

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## The Relevance of Epigenetic Biomarkers for Breast Cancer and Obesity for Personalised Treatment in Public Healthcare: A Systematic Review

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### Introduction

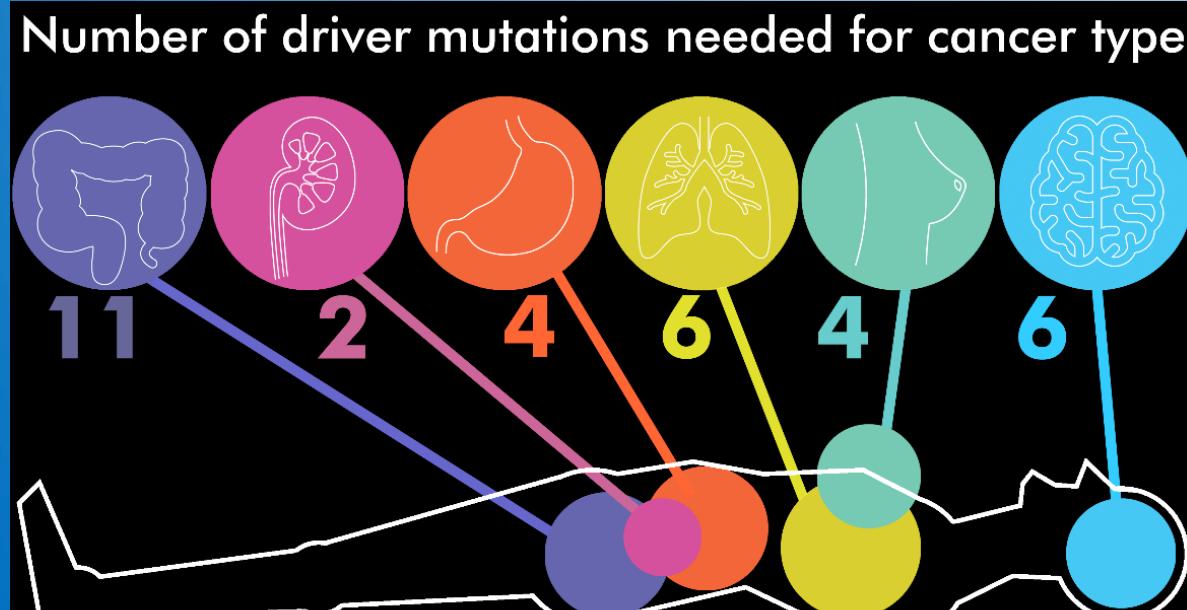
### Biomarkers and their impact on precision medicine

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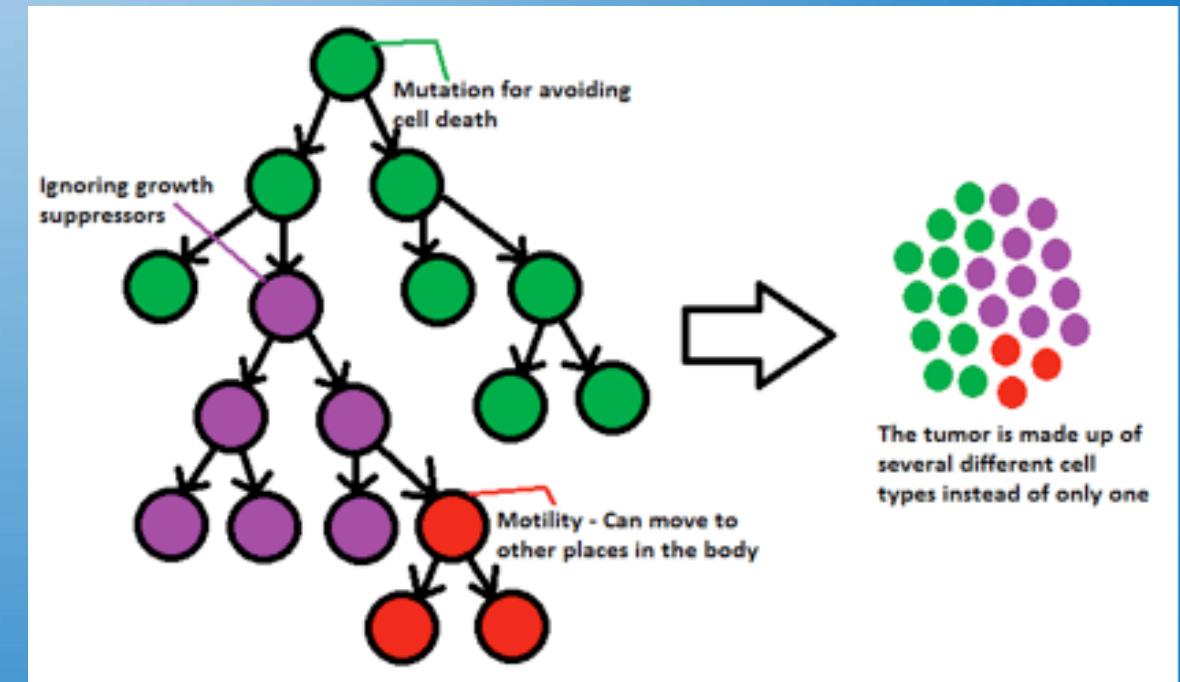
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# CELLS FROM THE SAME TUMOR COMPRIZE GENETIC DIFFERENCES, ALREADY FROM TUMORIGENESIS



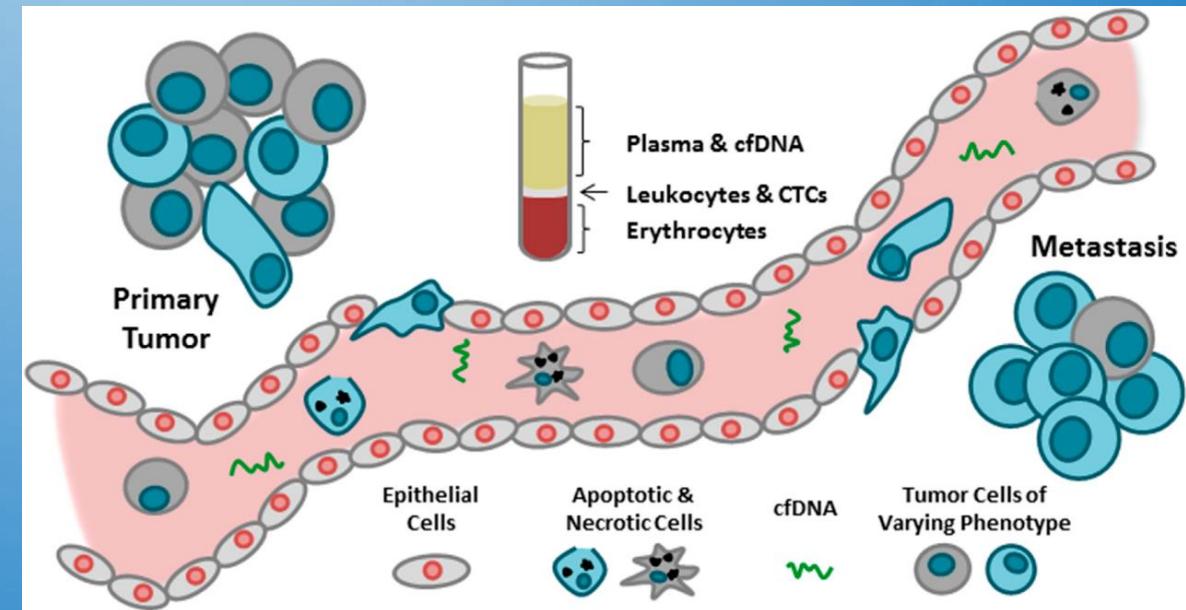
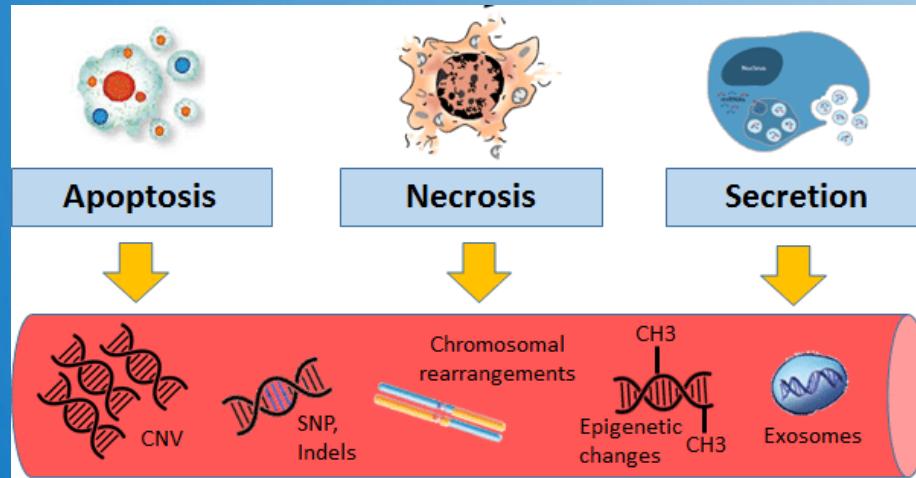
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Mutations/ cell

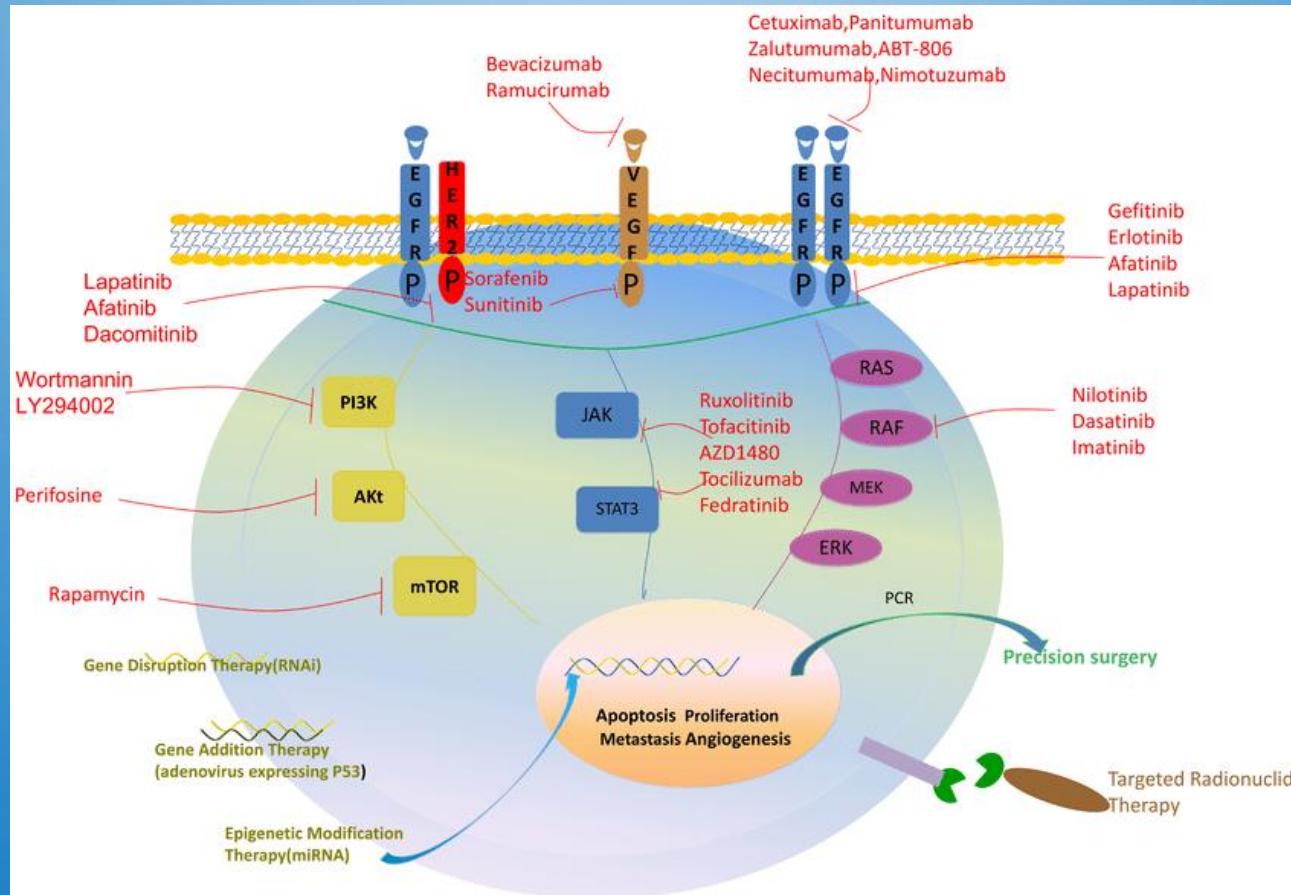


Heterogeneity : Mutation aqirement/tumor

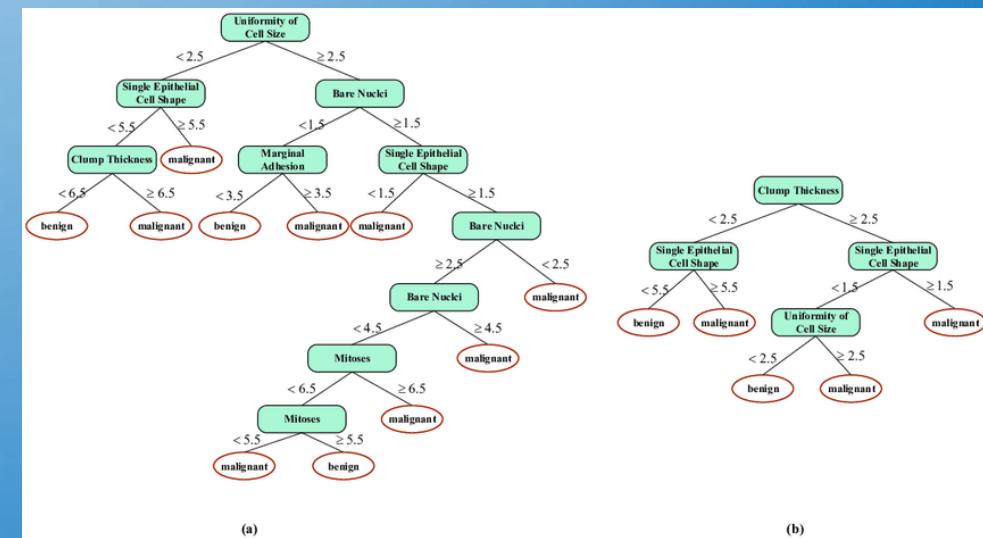
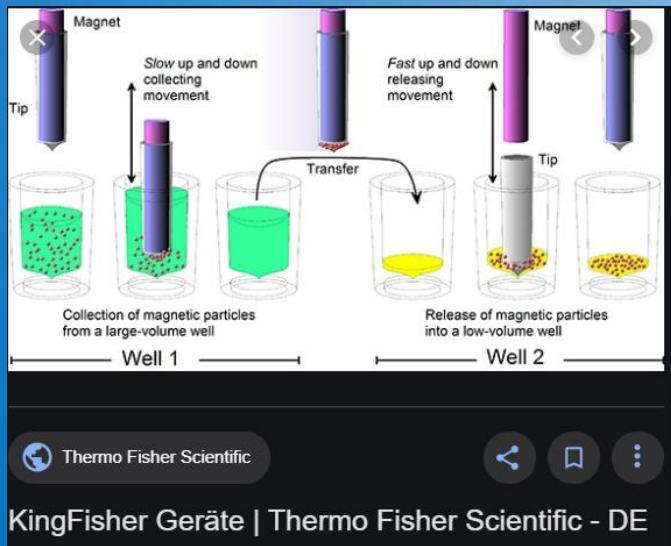
# POSSIBLE ANALYSIS USING CELL FREE DNA

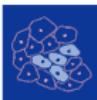


# UPCOMING PRECISION MEDICINE; INTERVENTION ACCORDING TO ANALYSIS OF MUTATION, PATHWAYS



## LIQUID BIOPSY APPROACH WILL RESULT IN EARLY DETECTION OF MAIN TUMORS USING ADVANCED, SENSITIVE METHODS AND ALGORITHM TO SPECIFY LIKELIHOOD AND STAGE OF CANCER





Article

# Comprehensive Approach to Distinguish Patients with Solid Tumors from Healthy Controls by Combining Androgen Receptor Mutation p.H875Y with Cell-Free DNA Methylation and Circulating miRNAs

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**Simple Summary:** Blood-based tests for cancer detection are minimally invasive and could be useful for screening asymptomatic patients and high-risk populations. Since a single molecular biomarker is usually insufficient for an accurate diagnosis, we developed a multi-analyte liquid biopsy-based classification model to distinguish cancer patients from healthy subjects. The combination of cell-free DNA mutations, miRNAs, and cell-free DNA methylation markers improved the model's performance. Moreover, we demonstrated that the androgen receptor mutation p.H875Y is not only relevant in prostate cancer but had a strong predictive value for colorectal, bladder, and breast cancer. Our results, although preliminary, showed that a single liquid biopsy test could detect multiple cancer types simultaneously.



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# CANCER EPIGENETICS

- A COMMON PARADIGM OF CANCER EPIGENETICS IS HYPERMETHYLATION OF CPG ISLAND OF TUMOR SUPPRESSOR GENE PROMOTER
- HYPERMETHYLATED PROMOTER DNA IS ASSOCIATED WITH VIRTUALLY EVERY TYPE OF HUMAN TUMOR
- WITH EACH TYPE OF TUMOR HAVING OWN SIGNATURE OF METHYLATED GENES

# CANCER EPIGENETICS, EXAMPLES

Cancer	Methylated genes
Prostate	GSTP1
Renal	VHL
Colon and endometrial	MLH1 (mismatch repair gene)
Esophageal	APC

Glutathione S-transferases

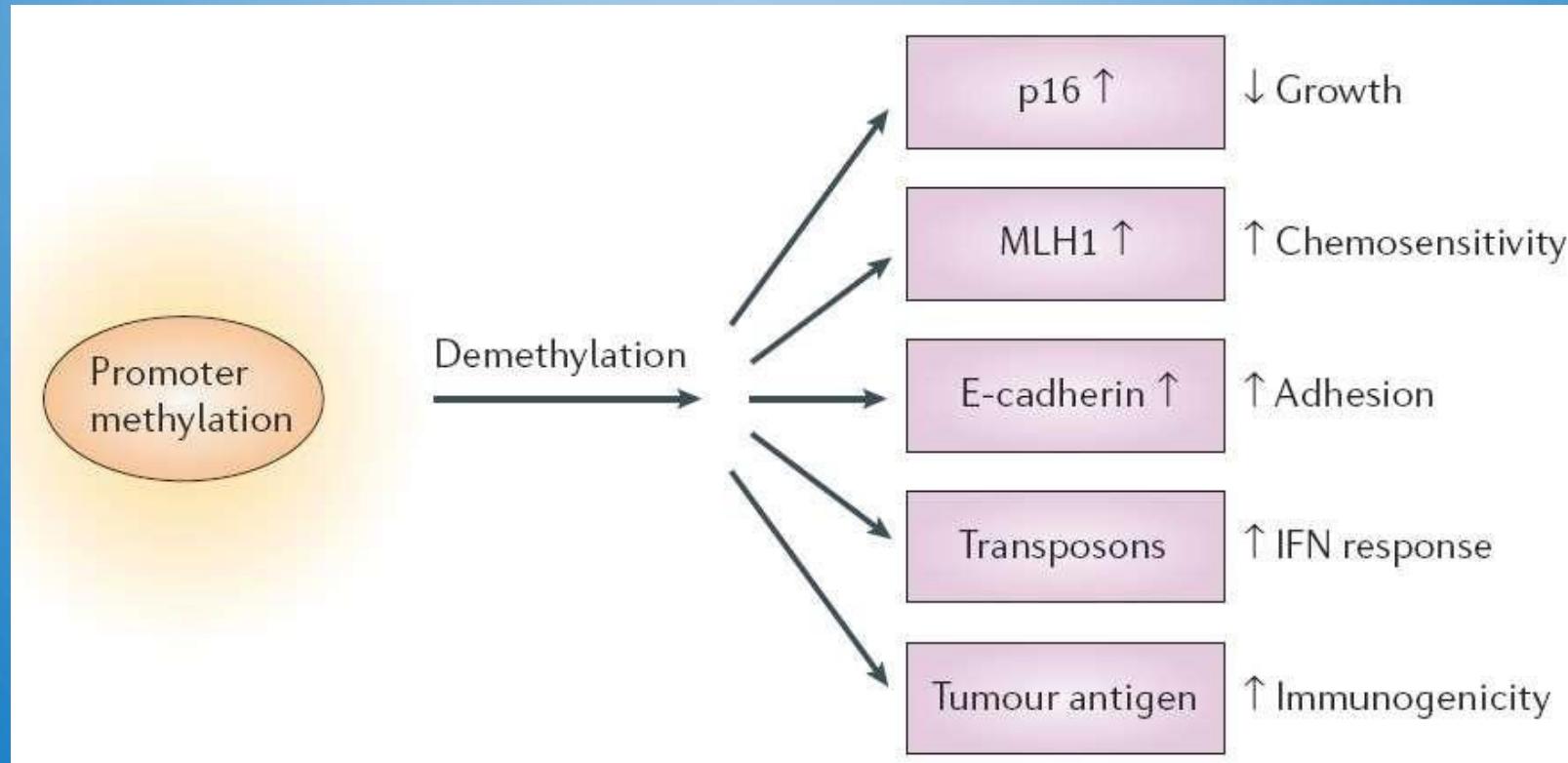
Hippel–Lindau tumor  
suppressor

Tumor suppressor

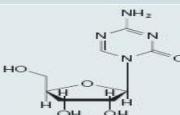
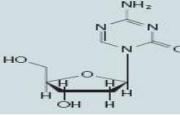
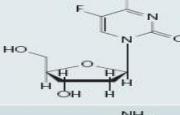
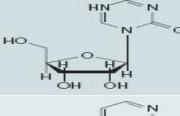
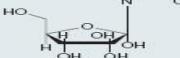
# Cancer epigenetics, examples

- Global hypomethylation: overall in 5-methylcytosine content in the genome
  - Found in premalignant and early stages of some neoplasm
  - Important in tumor progression
- Gene-specific hypomethylation:
  - Often affect promoter region of proto-oncogene and oncogene which are normally highly methylated

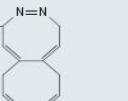
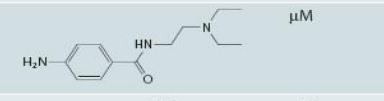
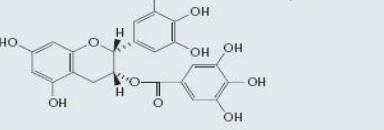
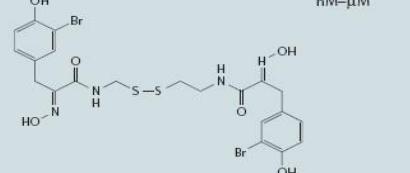
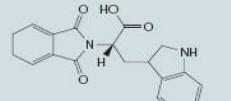
# DEMETHYLATION IN CANCER THERAPY



# DANA METHYLATION MODULATION

Inhibitor	Structure	Dose range	Clinical trials	References
5-Azacytidine		μM	Phase I, II, III: haematological malignancies	51
5-Aza-2'-deoxycytidine		μM	Phase I, II, III: haematological malignancies; cervical, non-small-cell lung cancer	52–55,129,130
5-Fluoro-2'-deoxycytidine		μM	Phase I	47,66
5,6-Dihydro-5-azacytidine		μM	Phase I, II: ovarian cancer and lymphomas	65
Zebularine		μM–mM	Preclinical	16,74

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Inhibitor	Structure	Dose range	Clinical trials	References
Hydralazine		μM	Phase I: cervical cancer	86
Procainamide		μM	Preclinical	82–84
EGCG		μM	Preclinical	80
Psammaplin A		nM–μM	Preclinical	79
MG98	N/A	N/A	Phase I: advanced/metastatic solid tumours	77–78
RG108		μM	Preclinical	75

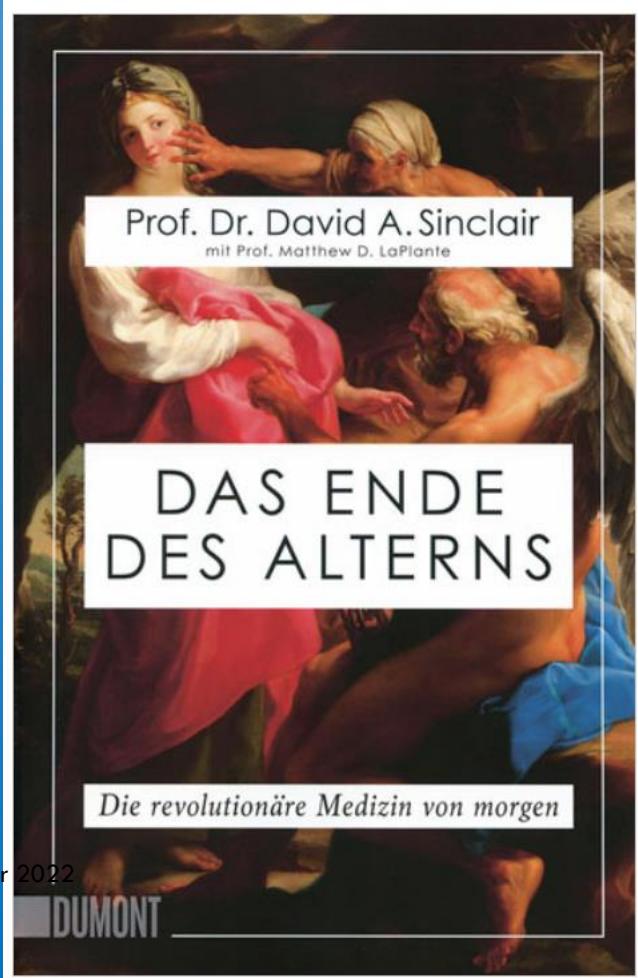


# HDAC INHIBITORS

Inhibitor	Structure	Dose range	Clinical trials
<b>Cyclic tetrapeptides</b>			
Apicidin		nM	Preclinical
Depsipeptide (FK-228, FR901228)		μM	Phase I, II: CLL, AML, T-cell lymphoma
TPX-HA analogue (CHAP)		nM	Preclinical
Trapoxin		nM	Preclinical
<b>Benzamides</b>			
CI-994 (N-acetyl dinoline)		μM	Phase I, II: solid tumours
MS-275		μM	Phase I, II: solid tumours and lymphoma

Inhibitor	Structure	Dose range	Clinical trials
<b>Short-chain fatty acids</b>			
Butyrate		μM	Phase I, II: colorectal
Valproic acid		μM	Phase I: AML, leukaemias
<b>Hydroxamic acids</b>			
<i>m</i> -Carboxy cinnamic acid bishydroxamic acid (CBHA)		μM	Preclinical
Oxamflatin		μM	Preclinical
PDX 101		μM	Phase I
Pyroxamide		nM	Preclinical
Scriptaid		μM	Preclinical
Suberoylanilide hydroxamic acid (SAHA)		μM	Phase I, II: haematological and solid tumours
Trichostatin A (TSA)		nM	Preclinical
LBH589	N/A	nM	Phase I
NVP-LAQ824		nM	Phase I

# AGING A CURABLE DISEASE?



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## It is time to classify biological aging as a disease

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## If they could turn back time: how tech billionaires are trying to reverse the ageing process

Jeff Bezos and Peter Thiel are pouring huge sums into startups aiming to keep us all young - or even cheat death. And the science isn't as far-fetched as you might think

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# BLUEZONES



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Blaue Zonen sind Regionen der Welt in denen Menschen viel länger als der Durchschnitt leben sollen. Das Konzept wird von Dan Buettner vertreten und wurde erstmals im November 2005 im Magazin National Geographic in der Titelgeschichte „The Secrets of a Long Life“ von Buettner vorgestellt.

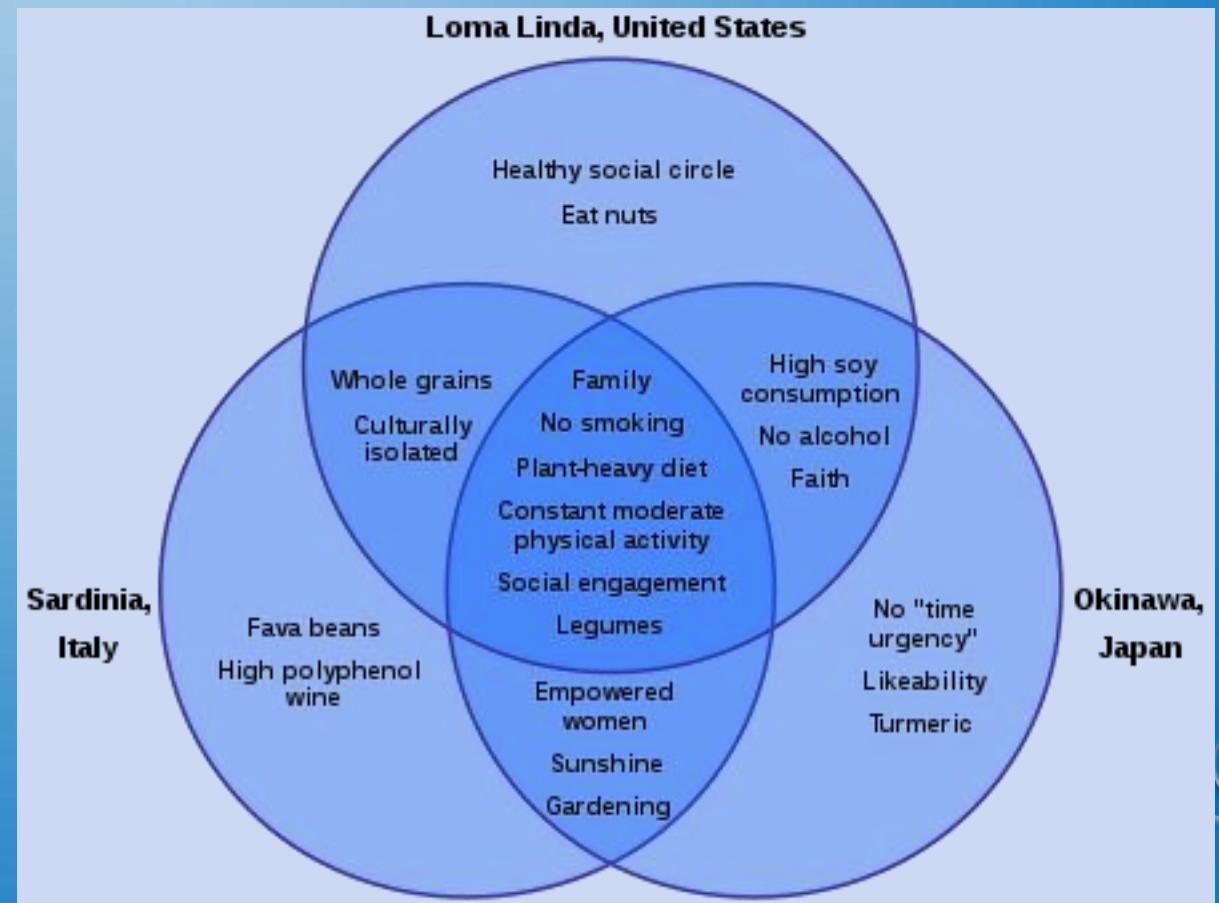
Buettner identifizierte fünf Regionen, die er als „Blaue Zonen“ betrachtet: Okinawa (Japan), Sardinien (Italien), die Nicoya-Halbinsel (Costa Rica), Ikaria (Griechenland) und unter den Siebenten-Tags-Adventisten in Loma Linda, Kalifornien.

Er gibt eine Erklärung, basierend auf Daten und Beobachtungen aus erster Hand, warum diese Bevölkerungsgruppen gesünder und länger leben.<sup>121</sup>

# VON DEN BLUEZONES LERNEN WIR PERSÖNLICHE, REGIONAL SPEZIFISCHE MASSNAHMEN GEGEN VORZEITIGES ALTERN, ALTERS-BEDINGTE ERKRANKUNGEN, ZENTRAL: BIOAKTIVE MOLEKÜLE



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Die Menschen in den Blauen Zonen haben gemeinsame Lebensstil-Merkmale, die zu ihrer Langlebigkeit beitragen. Sechs gemeinsame Merkmale der Menschen in Okinawa, Sardinien und den Blauen Zonen von Loma Linda:

- Familie – wichtiger als andere Anliegen
- Nicht rauchen
- Pflanzenbasierte Ernährung – der Großteil der verzehrten Nahrung stammt aus Pflanzen.
- Ständige moderate körperliche Aktivität – ein untrennbarer Bestandteil des Lebens.
- Soziales Engagement – Menschen jeden Alters sind sozial aktiv und in ihre Gemeinschaften integriert.
- Hülsenfrüchte – häufig konsumiert

## Buettner: Faktoren die den Lebensstil der Menschen in den blauen Zonen behandeln:

- Mäßige, regelmäßige körperliche Aktivität.
- Lebensinhalt.
- Stressabbau.
- Mäßige Kalorienzufuhr.
- Pflanzenbasierte Ernährung.
- Mäßiger Alkoholkonsum; überwiegend Wein.
- Engagement in der Spiritualität oder Religion.
- Engagement im Familienleben.
- Engagement im gesellschaftlichen Leben.

# BLUEZONES FUER SPEZIELLE ERKRANKUNGEN



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## Prevent Alzheimer's Disease with 4 Brain-Boosting Habits

If you ask the very old in the blue zones region of Ikaria how they live to be 100, they might say it's the leisurely pace of island life, the ocean breeze, the wine consumed with friends, wild herbal tea, or perhaps, as one Ikarian woman put it, "We just forgot to die." Their extreme longevity is a combination of many lifestyle habits, leading them to experience a life virtually free from age-related diseases, including dementia, which affects more than [5 million people in the United States](#).

Haslberger 2022 While there is currently no cure and no single silver bullet to prevent dementia and Alzheimer's disease, there is a combination of many simple lifestyle factors that can help you live a longer,

# STRATEGIEN GEGEN DAS VERGESSEN

## Become a Master (in just about anything!)

Learn a language, pick up an instrument, take a class, or find a new hobby. Challenging yourself to master new skills can trigger pathways that help you maintain cognitive function into old age. No matter your education or income, learning something new, reading the newspaper, or even watching YouTube videos to learn how to garden can [protect you from a decline in cognitive ability](#).

## Drink Moderately

Your weekly happy hour is good for more than just your social circle. Studies show [moderate drinkers](#) have a lower chance of mortality and an increased chance of maintaining cognitive abilities into old age. Red wine, particularly [Cannonau from Sardinia](#), is a great choice due to its high resveratrol content.

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## Eat Like You're Greek

Similar to the traditional Mediterranean diet, Ikarians eat wild greens, beans, nuts, seeds, fruits, whole grains, and olive oil. Many of these foods are high in folate, which has been shown to [improve cognitive processes](#). Olive oil, nuts, and seeds

## Say "Om"

Chronic stress leads to inflammation and is the foundation for every age-related disease, including Alzheimer's and dementia. Centenarians in the blue zones regions of the world have effective ways to manage stress on a daily basis. For [Sardinians](#), this means a glass of wine and a chat with friends at the [end of the day](#).<sup>126</sup>

# ALZHEIMER, VITAMIN, MINERALSTOFFE ;-(

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**Vitamin- und Mineralstoffsupplemente zur Vorbeugung von Demenz oder zur Verzögerung des kognitiven Abbaus bei Menschen mit leichter kognitiver Beeinträchtigung**

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leichte kognitive Einschränkungen (mild cognitive impairment = MCI) hatten.

**Zielsetzung**  
Die Bewertung der Auswirkungen von Supplementation mit Vitaminen und Mineralen auf kognitive Funktionen und die Inzidenz von Demenz und MCI bei Menschen mit leichter kognitiver Beeinträchtigung.

**Forschung**

... bis zum 25. Januar 2018.

**Kriterien**  
In randomisierte oder quasi-randomisierte kontrollierte Studien ein, die orale Vitamin- oder Mineralstoffzusätze (nur mit diagnostizierter leichter kognitiver Beeinträchtigung bewerteten, und welche von Demenz oder kognitiven Endstadien beider, untersuchten. Wir waren interessiert, die generell auf ältern übertragbar sind, und schlossen daher ältere Teilnehmer unter schweren oder Mineralien-Mängeln litt.

**Methoden und -analyse**  
Um nach Daten zu erhalten primären, nämlich der Inzidenz von Demenz von allgemeiner kognitiver Funktionsfähigkeit, Endpunkt waren episodisches Gedächtnis, Exekutiv-Funktionen, Geschwindigkeit, Verarbeitung, Lebensqualität, funktionelle Einschränkungen und Sterblichkeit. Eine Erhebung und Sterblichkeit, Erhebung und -analyse former ein hochstandardisierte Methoden für systematische Review von Cochrane durch. Mithilfe des Tools für Risiko für Bias eingeschlossenes Risiko für Bias der eingeschlossenen Studien. Wir fasssten Vitamine und Mineralien zusammen, die wir für die Analyse zusammen. Wie wir es für Menschen hielten, poolten wir Daten mit Hilfe von Meta-Effects Methoden. Wir nutzten die Methode, um die generelle Verbesserung der Evidenz für jeden Vergleich und zu bewerten.

**Ergebnisse**  
Insgesamt 5 Studien mit 879 Teilnehmern. Nahrungsergänzung mit B-Vitaminen zeigte eine Verzögerung des B-Abbaus in einer bestand sie nur aus Folsäure-Besserungen veränderten. Wir waren der Ansicht, dass in diesen Studien einige Risiken (von Teilnehmern) und selektive Berichterstattung aufwies. Vier Studien hatte Vitamin E keine Auswirkung auf die Wahrscheinlichkeit, dass MCI sich nach drei Jahren zu Alzheimer-Demenz entwickelt (HR 1,02; 95% Kl 0,74 bis 1,41; n = 516). 1 Studie, Evidenz von moderater Vertrauenswürdigkeit. Ebenfalls bestand keine Evidenz zu einer Wirkung an anderen Zwischenzeitpunkten. Mit den verfügbaren Daten konnten wir keine Analysen durchführen, aber die Autoren berichteten keine signifikanten Effekte von dreijähriger Supplementierung mit Vitamin E auf allgemeine kognitiven Funktionen, episodisches Gedächtnis, Geschwindigkeit der Verarbeitung, funktionelle Gesamteindruck, funktionelle Lebensqualität und Sterblichkeit (nur Todesfälle im jeder Gruppe). Wir betrachteten dies als Evidenz von niedriger Vertrauenswürdigkeit.

Wir schlossen eine Studie (n = 255) zu kombinierter Supplementation mit Vitamin E und C und eine Studie (n = 261) zu Supplementierung mit Cholin-Pröolutam ein. In beiden Fällen gab es einen einzigen einschlussfähigen kognitiven Endpunkt, aber die wir die Evidenz als von sehr niedriger Vertrauenswürdigkeit bewerten, konnten wir uns möglicher Auswirkungen nicht sicher sein.

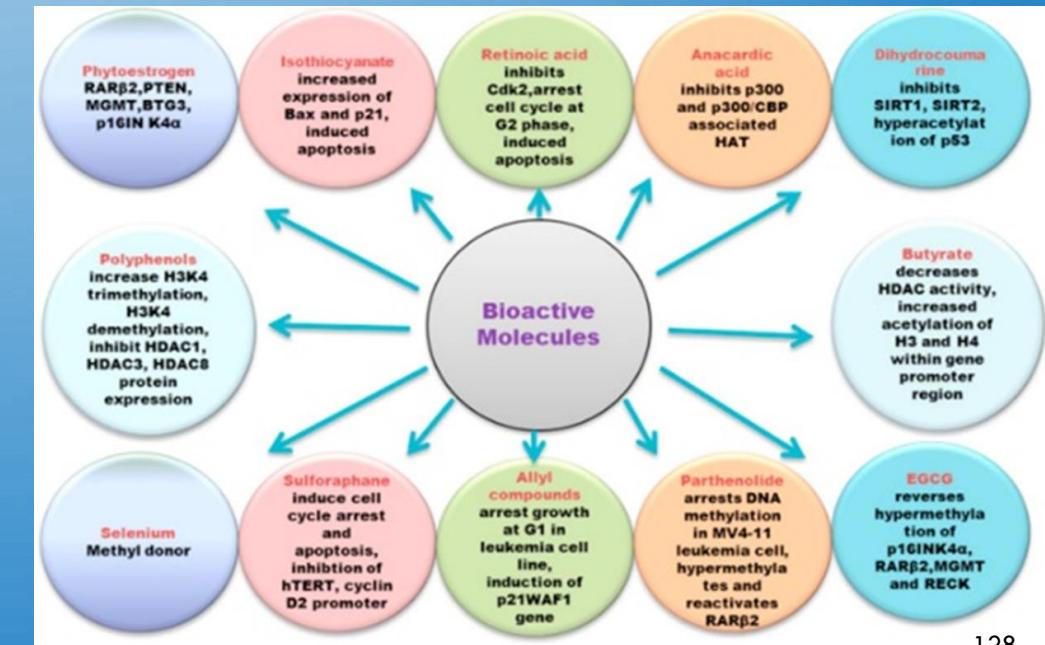
**Schlussfolgerung des Autors**  
Die Evidenz zu Nahrungsergänzung mit Vitaminen und Mineralien als Behandlung für MCI ist sehr begrenzt. Dreijährige Behandlung mit hochdosiertem Vitamin E reduziert wahrscheinlich das Risiko der Entwicklung einer Demenz-Alzheimer-Demenz. Es kann Dosen zu diesem Endpunkt für andere Nahrungsergänzungsmittel. Nur B-Vitamine wurden in mehr als einer RCT untersucht. Es besteht keine Evidenz zu nutzbringenden Auswirkungen der Supplementierung mit B-Vitaminen für sechs bis 24 Monate auf die Kognition. Evidenz aus einer einzigen

**Ernährung aktuell**

**Abb. 1: Amorphe Plaques zwischen den Neuronen im Gehirn eines Alzheimer Patienten**

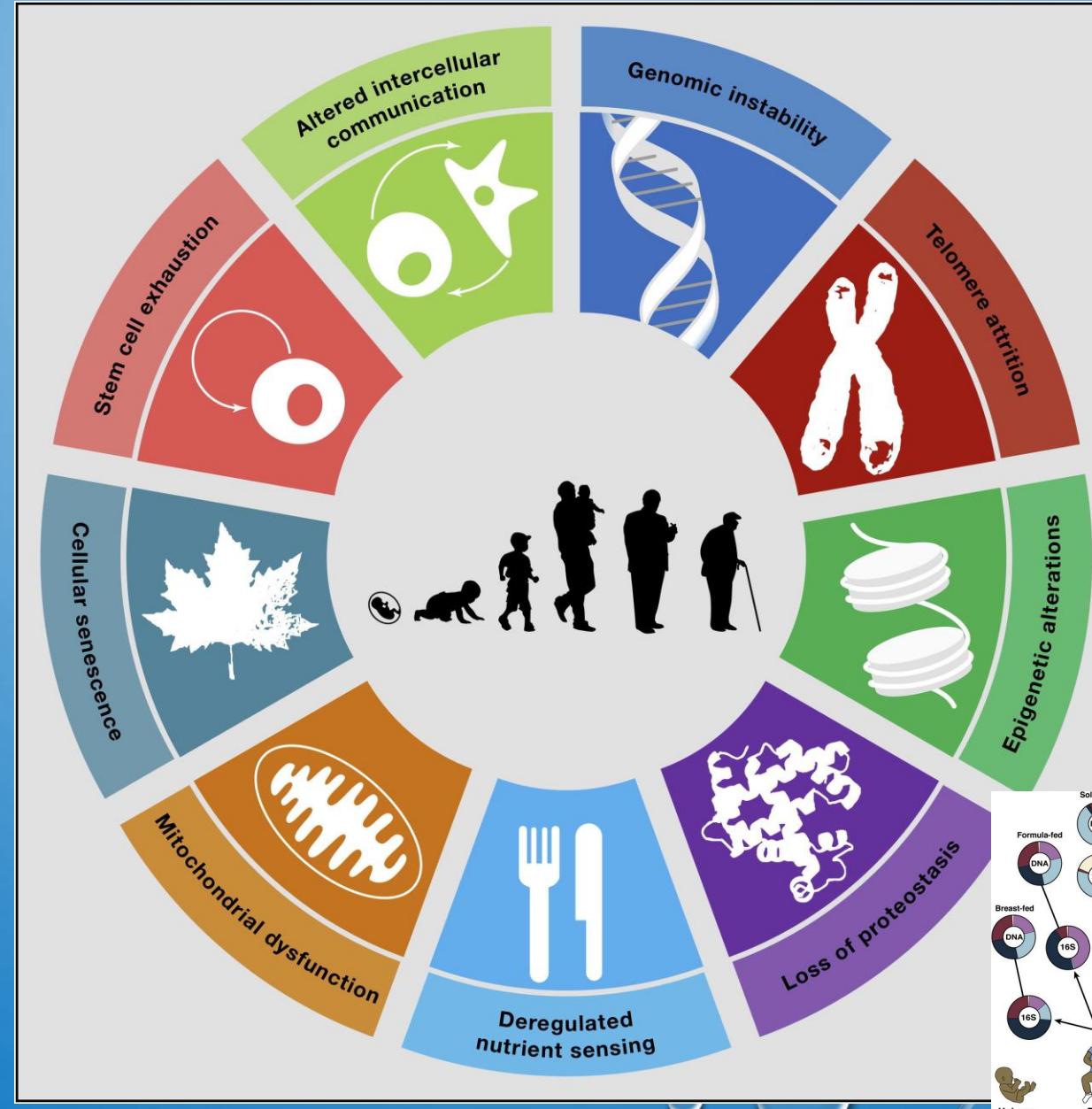


# WENN NICHT SPURENELEMENTE, VITAMINE : VIELLEICHT BIOAKTIVE MOLEKÜLE ?

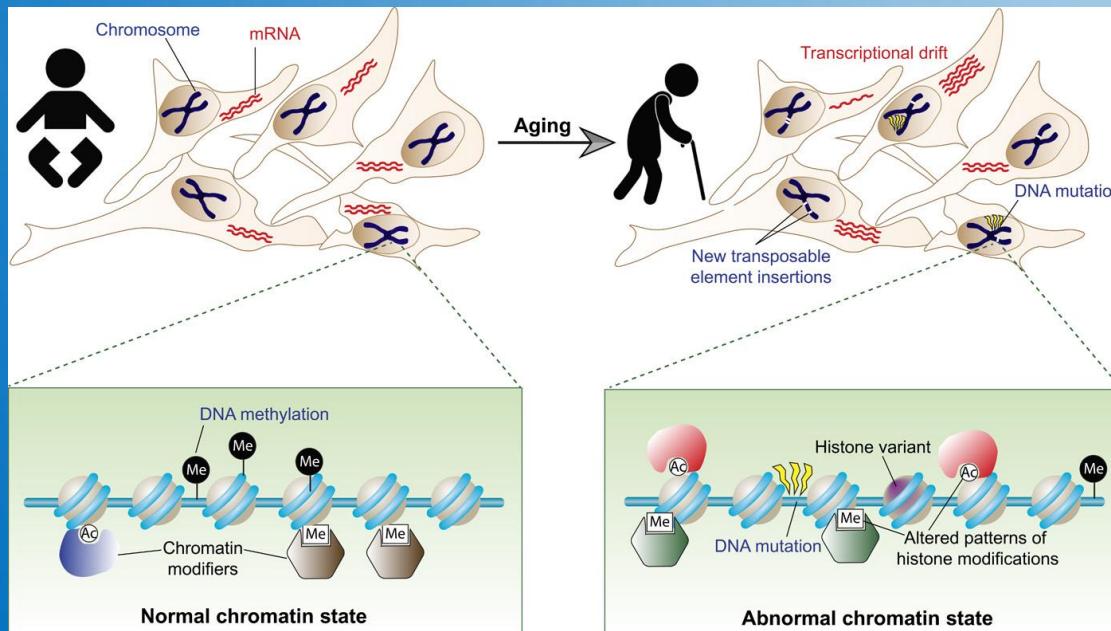


# HALLMARKS OF AGING

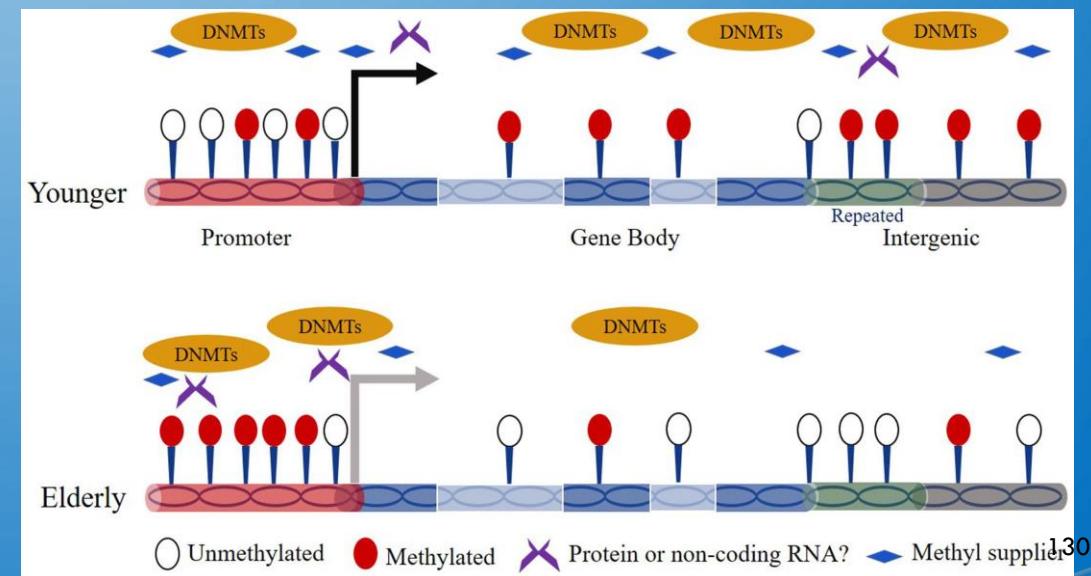
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# AGING, OLD THEORIES, CHROMATIN INSTABILITY

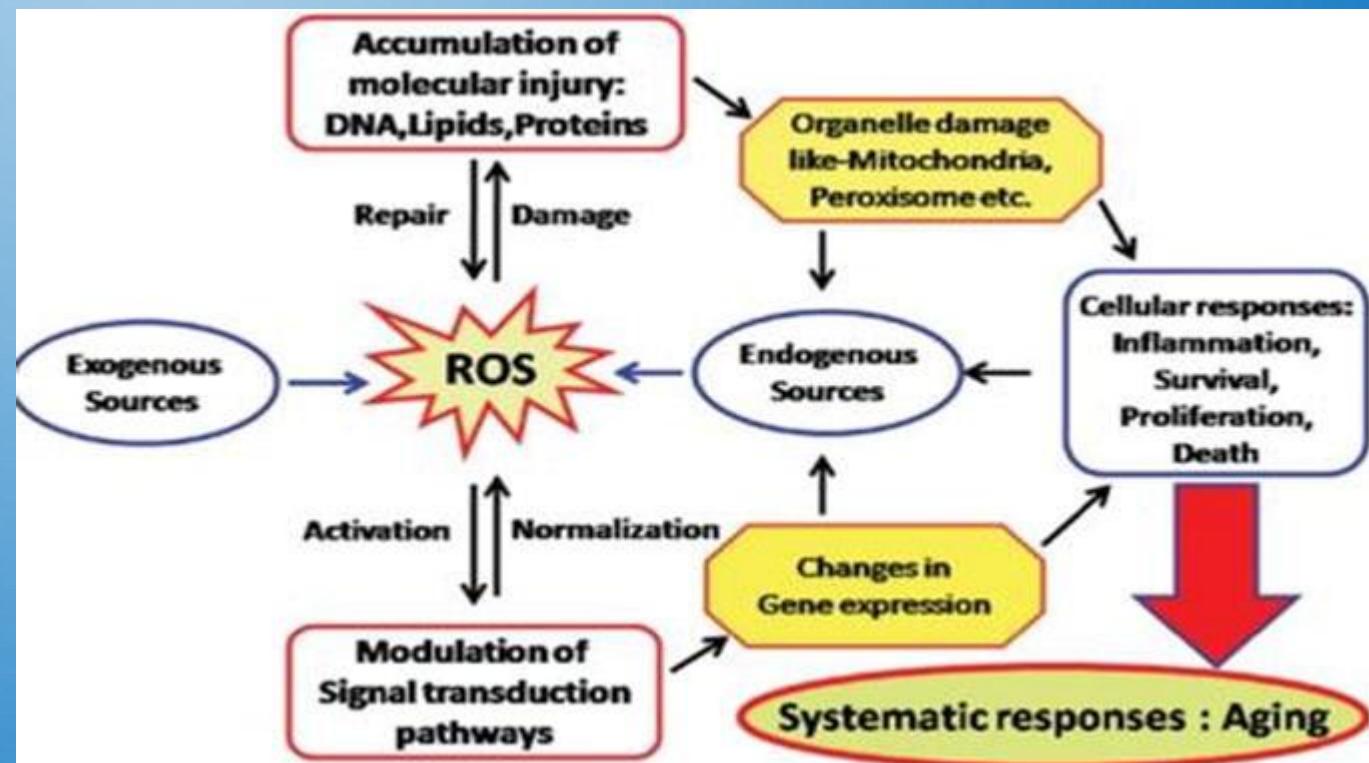
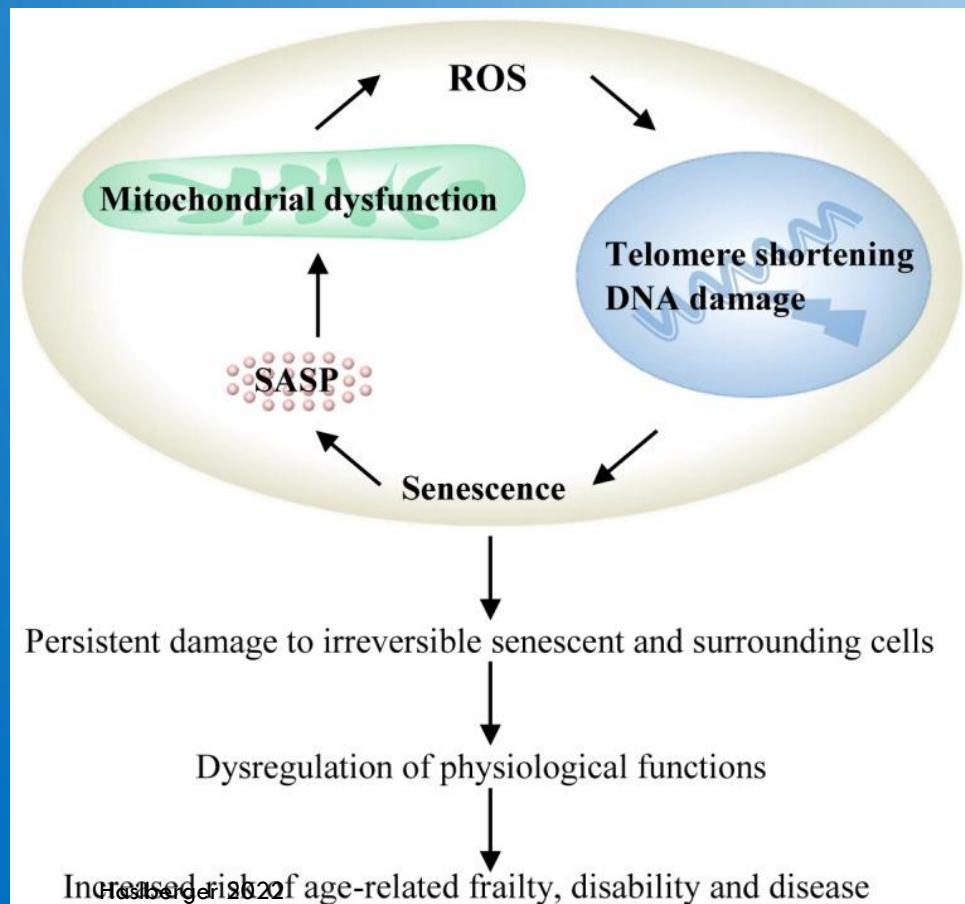


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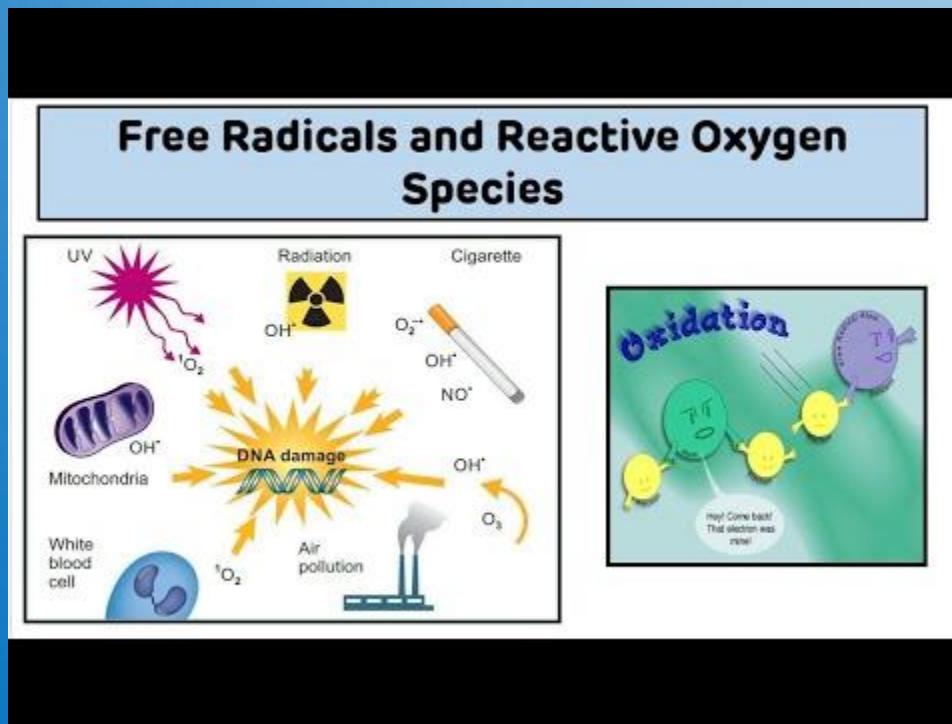


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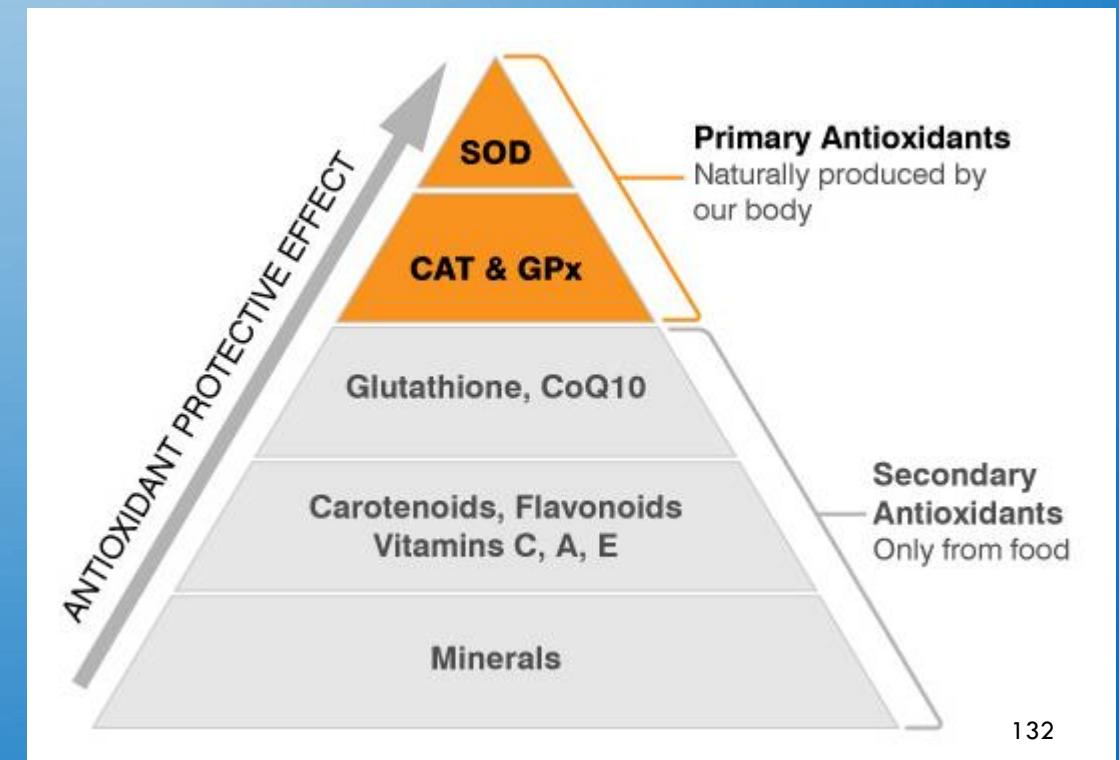
# ROS OXYDATION: TELOMERE, MITOCHONDRIA



# OXYDATION, ROS

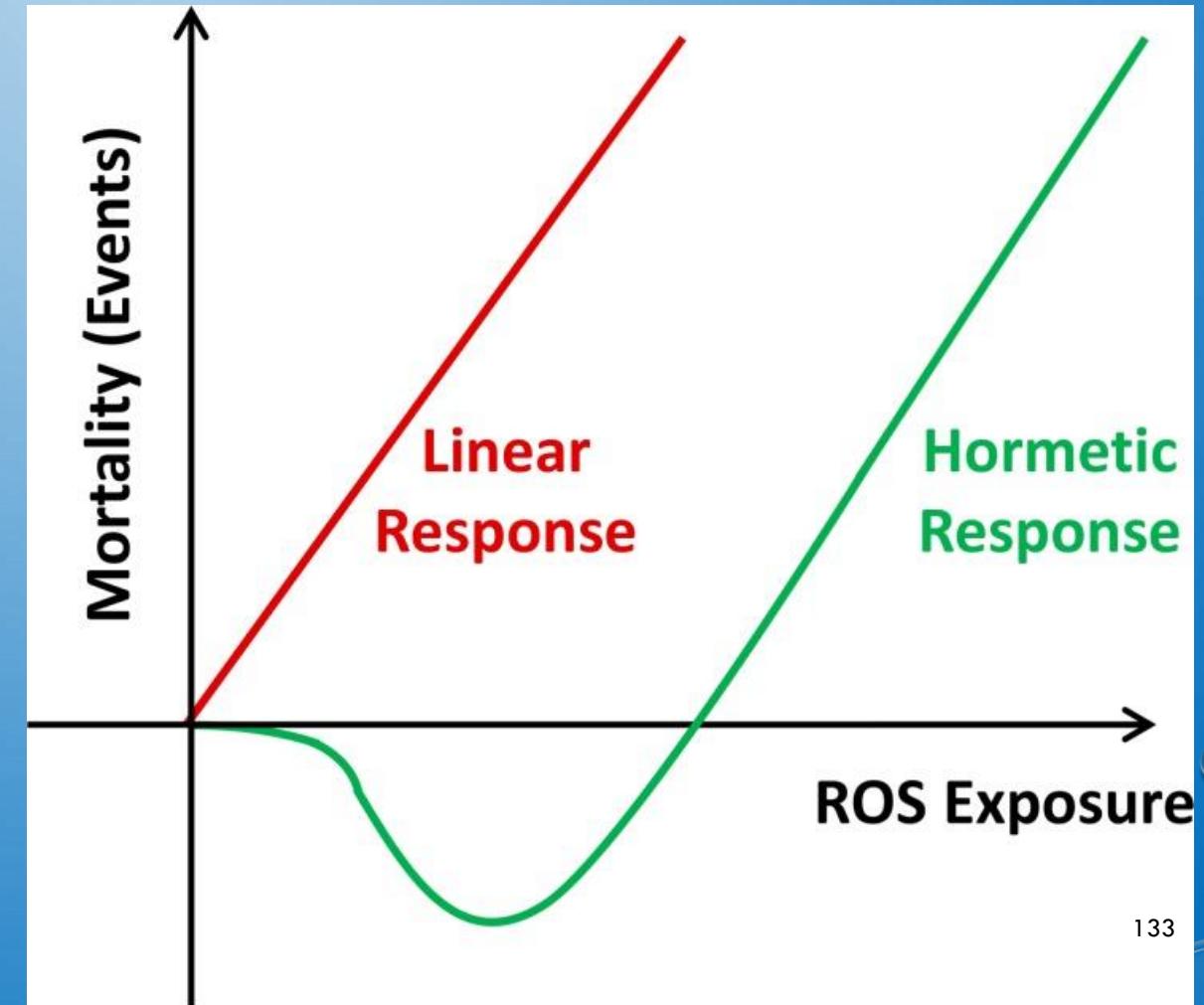
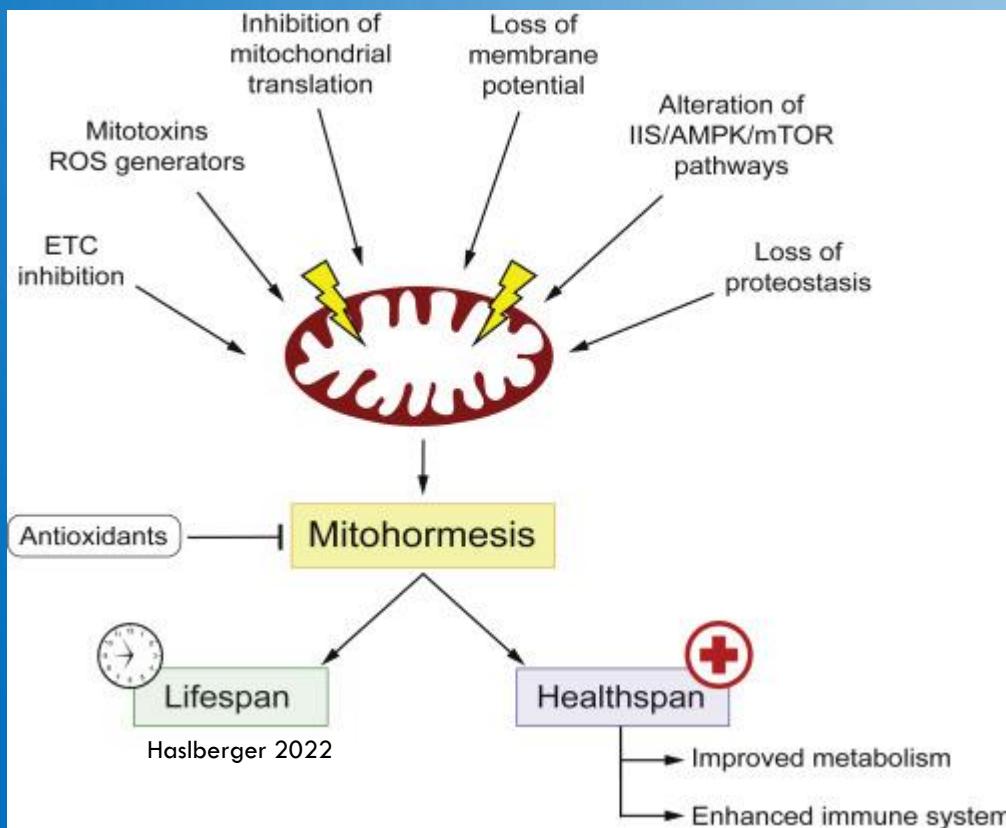


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# MITOHORMESIS, LOW ROS



# AGEING: NATURE: TELOMERS AND GENOTOXIC STRESS ?



**ORIGINAL RESEARCH PAPER** Sahin, E. et al. Telomere dysfunction induces metabolic and mitochondrial compromise. *Nature* **470**, 359–365 (2011)

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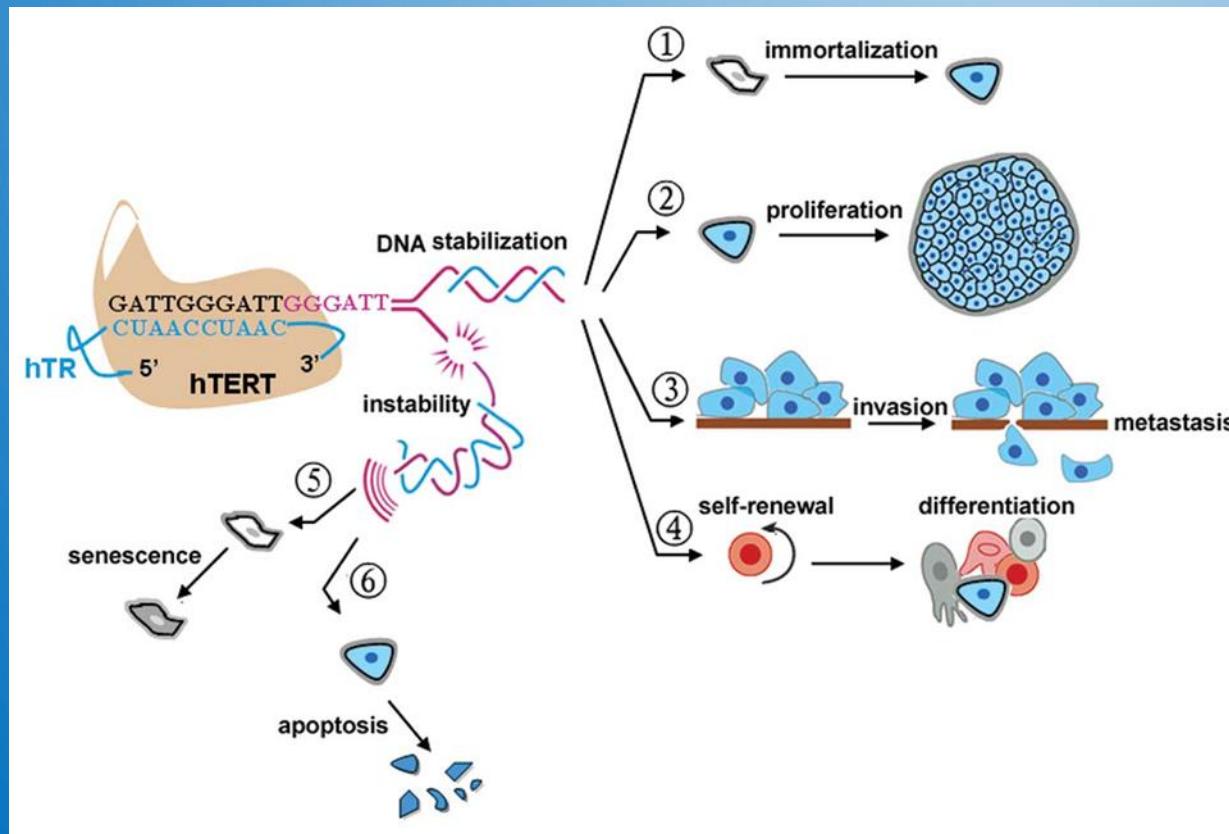
“  
telomere dysfunction can lead to defects in mitochondrial biology  
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There are mixed views as to what makes us age: one hypothesis proposes that ageing is caused by accumulating genotoxic stress provoked by the progressive loss of telomeres, which leads to replicative senescence and apoptosis, whereas another postulates that ageing is the result of progressive mitochondrial malfunction. A study by DePinho and colleagues now brings these two theories together by identifying a direct molecular link between telomere and mitochondrial dysfunction.

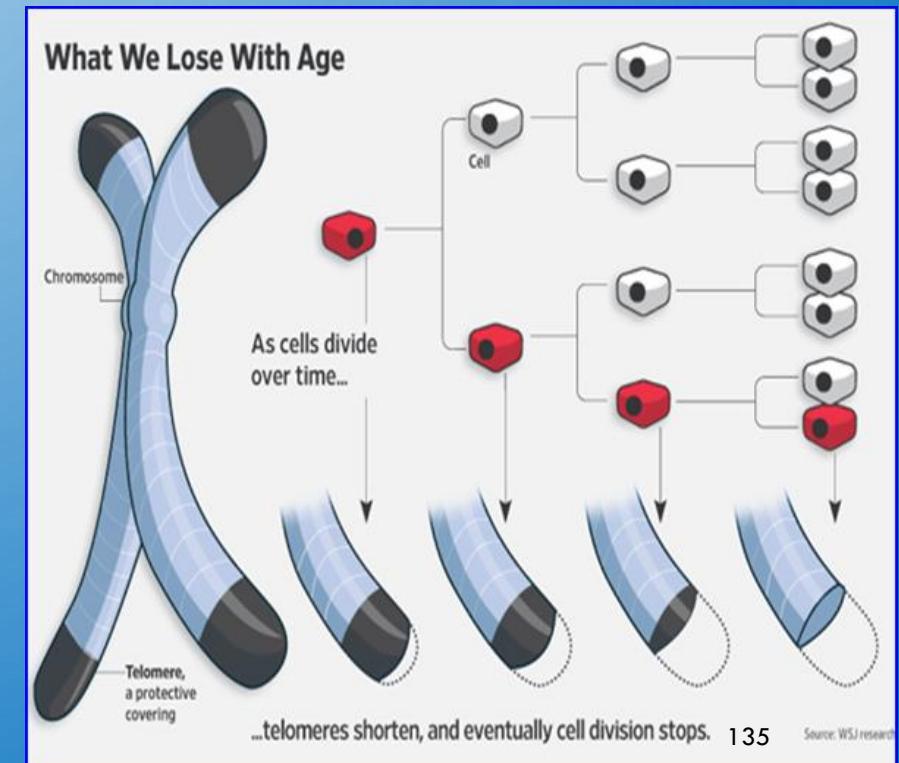
In highly proliferative tissues, age-related telomere decline is associated with telomere dysfunction and

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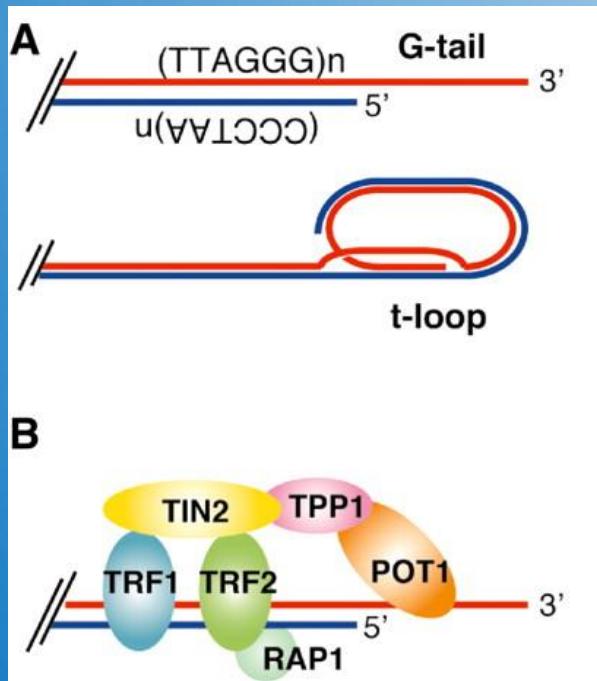
# TELOMERS, IMMORTALISATION



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# Telomere Structure und Function

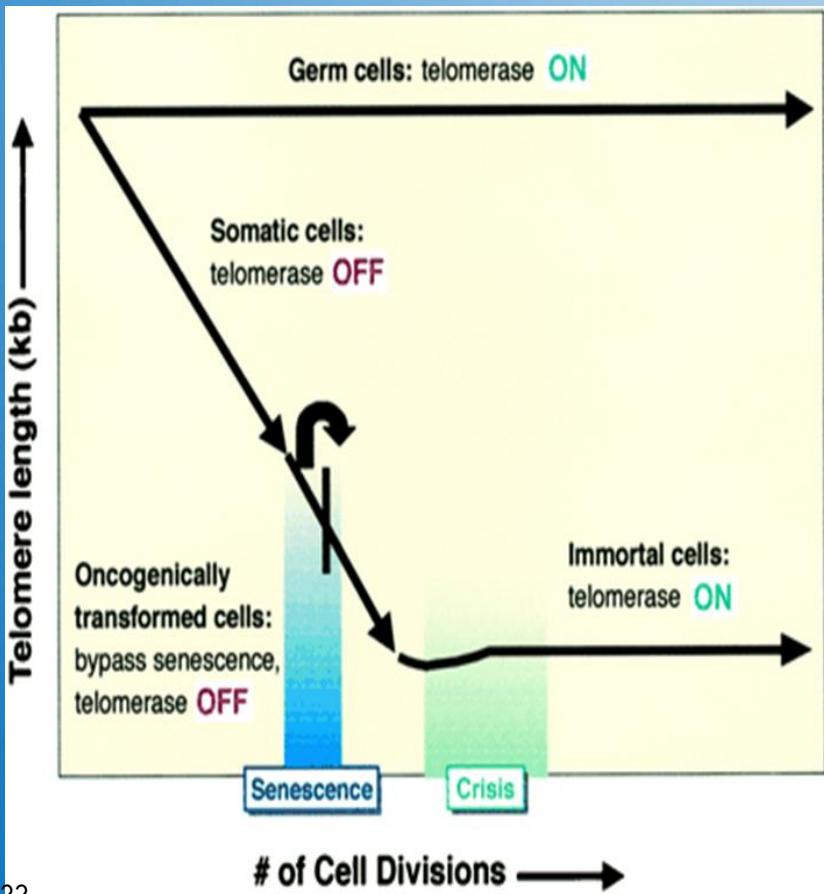


Consist of repeat sequences and associated proteins

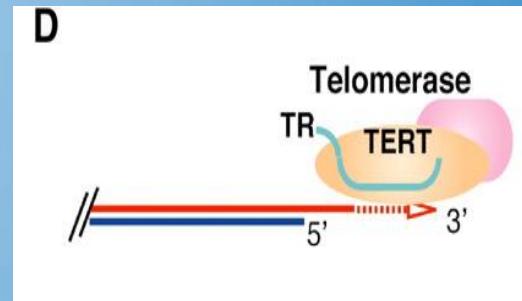
Cap the ends of chromosomes - protection against end-end-fusions, recombinations, degradation

***Essential for chromosomal integrity***

# Telomerase, TERT



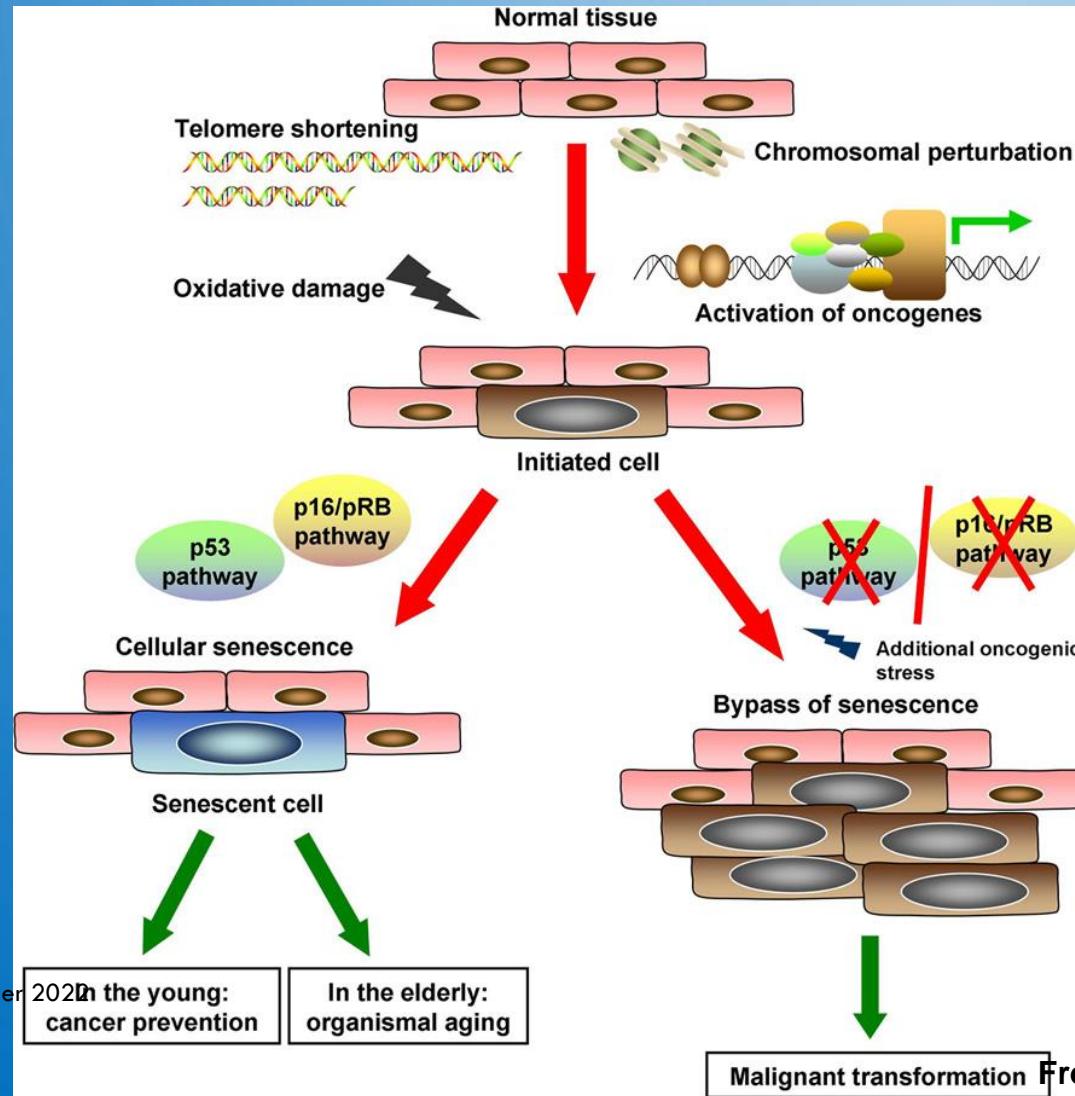
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Composed of RNA subunits (hTR)  
Reverse transcriptase catalytic subunit (hTERT)

***Telomerase elongates telomeres which are shortened after each replication cycle***

# ROS: TELOMERE SHORTENING, SENESCENCE

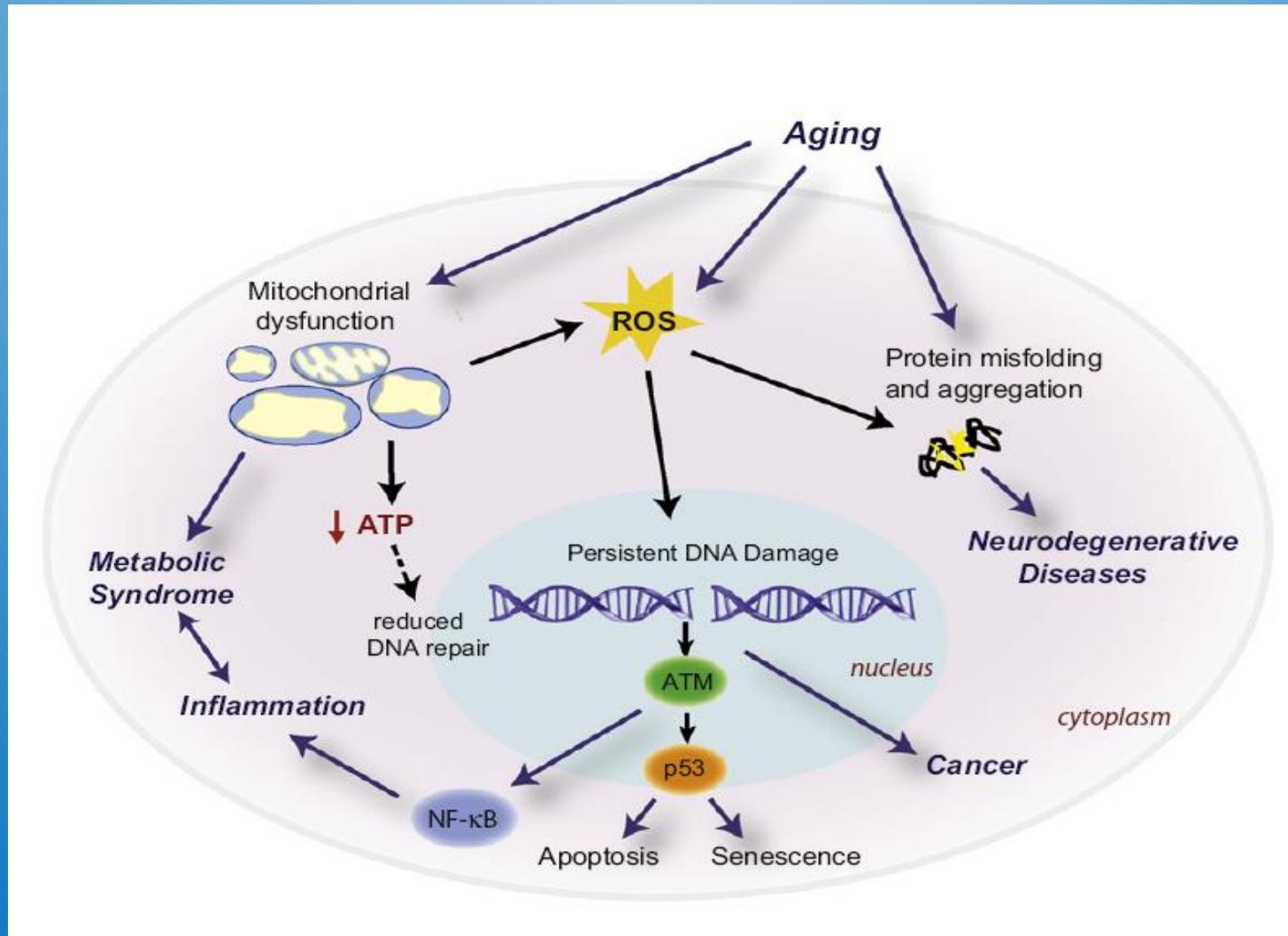


# METHODS FOR TELOMERE ANALYSIS

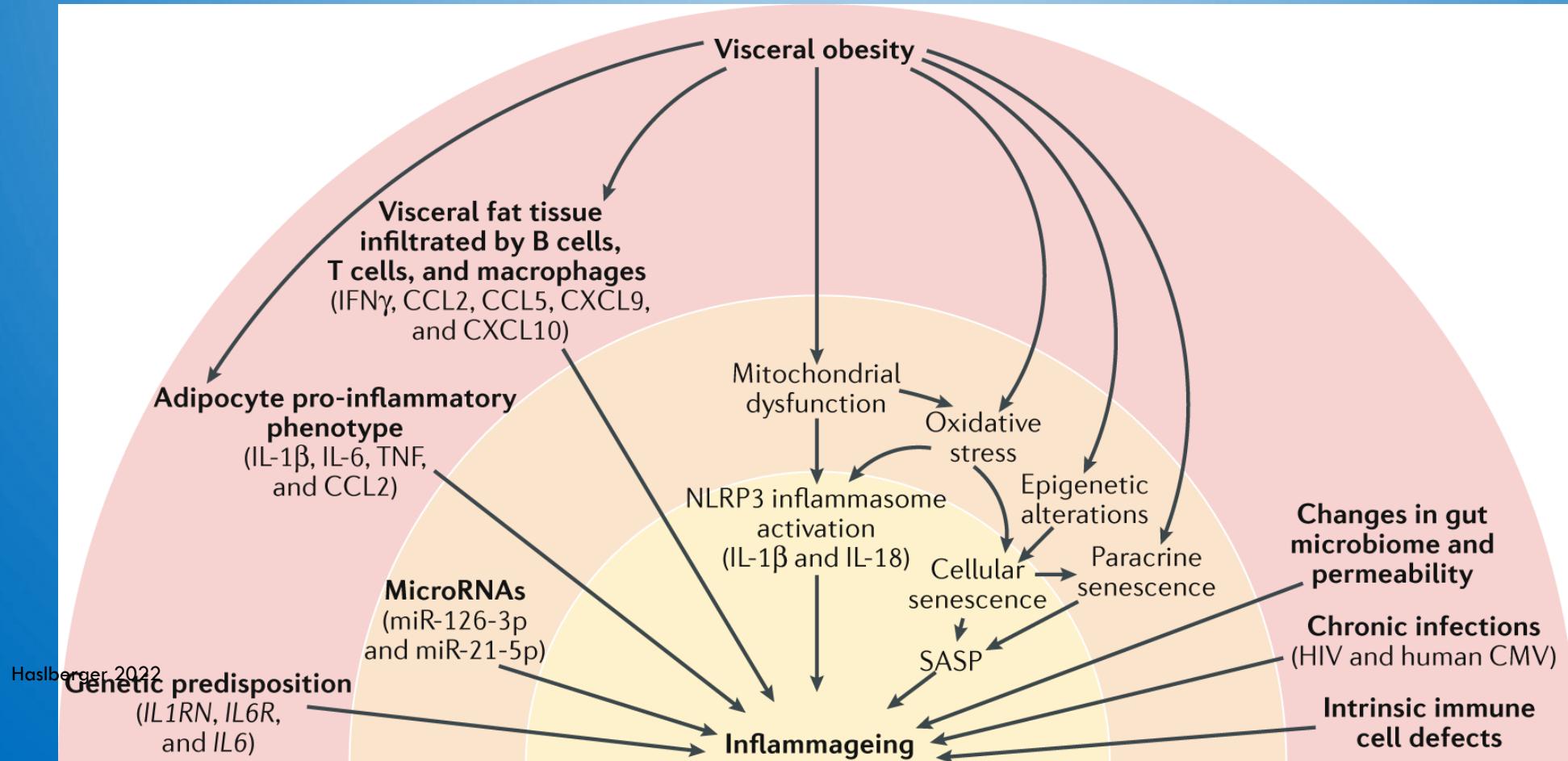
Table 1. Summary of the advantages and drawbacks of the main telomere length measurement methods

Method	Approach	Advantages	Drawbacks
<b>Telomere Restriction Fragment (TRF)</b>	Southern blot hybridization using probes against telomere repeats.	-Well known and widely used technique. -It has no special requirements in terms of reagents or equipment .	-Difficult to quantify. -Requires many cells (~ $10^6$ ). -Provides an estimate of the average telomere length per sample -Subtelomeric polymorphism.
<b>Telomere measurement by quantitative PCR</b>	It measures the ratio of telomere repeat copy number to single copy gene copy number.	-Simple -Fast -Scalable to achieve a high throughput (HT) of samples.	-It quantifies the average telomere length per sample and cannot quantify individual telomeres.
<b>Flow FISH</b>	Based on the determination of telomere fluorescence in individual interphase cells using fluorescence-activated cell sorting (FACS) technology.	-Simple -Amenable to automatization. -Quantitative, reproducible, and accurate.	-Restricted to isolated cells, and cell suspensions. -Requires expensive and technical demanding system. -Not many samples (<20) are processed and analyzed at the same time. -It quantifies the average telomere length per cell.
<b>Metaphases quantitative FISH</b>	Based on the use of digital fluorescence microscopy to determine telomere fluorescence after hybridization of metaphase spreads with a fluorescent PNA telomeric probe.	-Permits the measurement of telomere length at each individual chromosome end. -Allows quantification of the number of "signal-free ends" (<0.15 kb) -High accuracy.	-Labor-intensive and time consuming (week/s) -Requires expensive and technical demanding system. -External calibration (from auf to kb) -Many controls required to avoid inter/intra-session variability. -Very few samples are analyzed at the same time.
<b>Single Telomere Length Analysis (STELA)</b>	It is a ligation PCR-based method.	-It requires no specialized equipment. - It requires very limited starting material	-It is usually restricted to several well characterized chromosome ends: XpYp, 2p, 11q and 17p. -It is limited in the analysis of long telomeres (typically >20kb). -Labor intensive and low throughput.

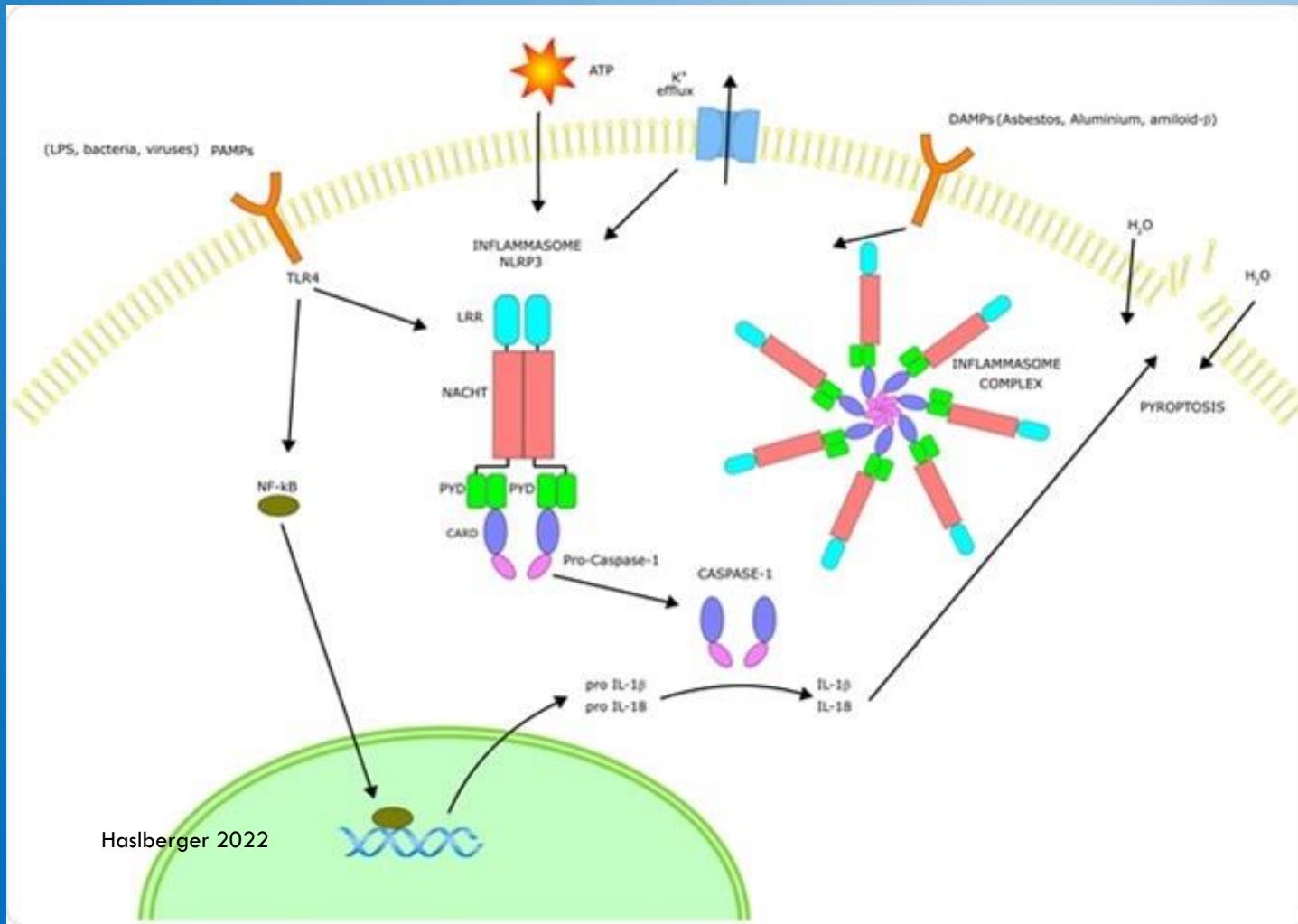
# AGEING, INFLAMMATION AND DNA DAMAGE



# INFLAMMAGEING: CHRONIC INFLAMMATION IN AGEING, CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, AND FRAILTY



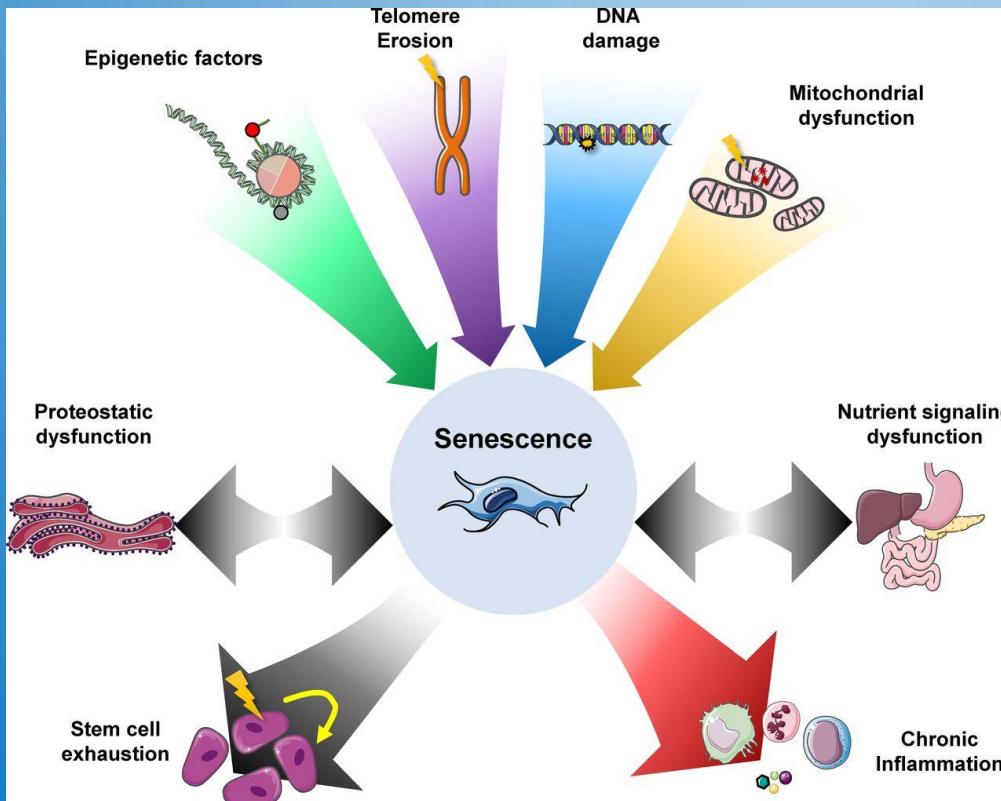
# INFLAMMASOME



The inflammasomes are **innate immune system receptors and sensors** that regulate the activation of caspase-1 and induce inflammation in response to infectious microbes and molecules derived from host proteins

# AGING MECHANISMS AND SENESCENCE

„IN GENERAL SENESCENCE CAN BE BENEFICIAL, THUS ELIMINATING DAMAGED CELLS, WHEREAS AN ACCUMULATION CAN BE DETRIMENTAL”



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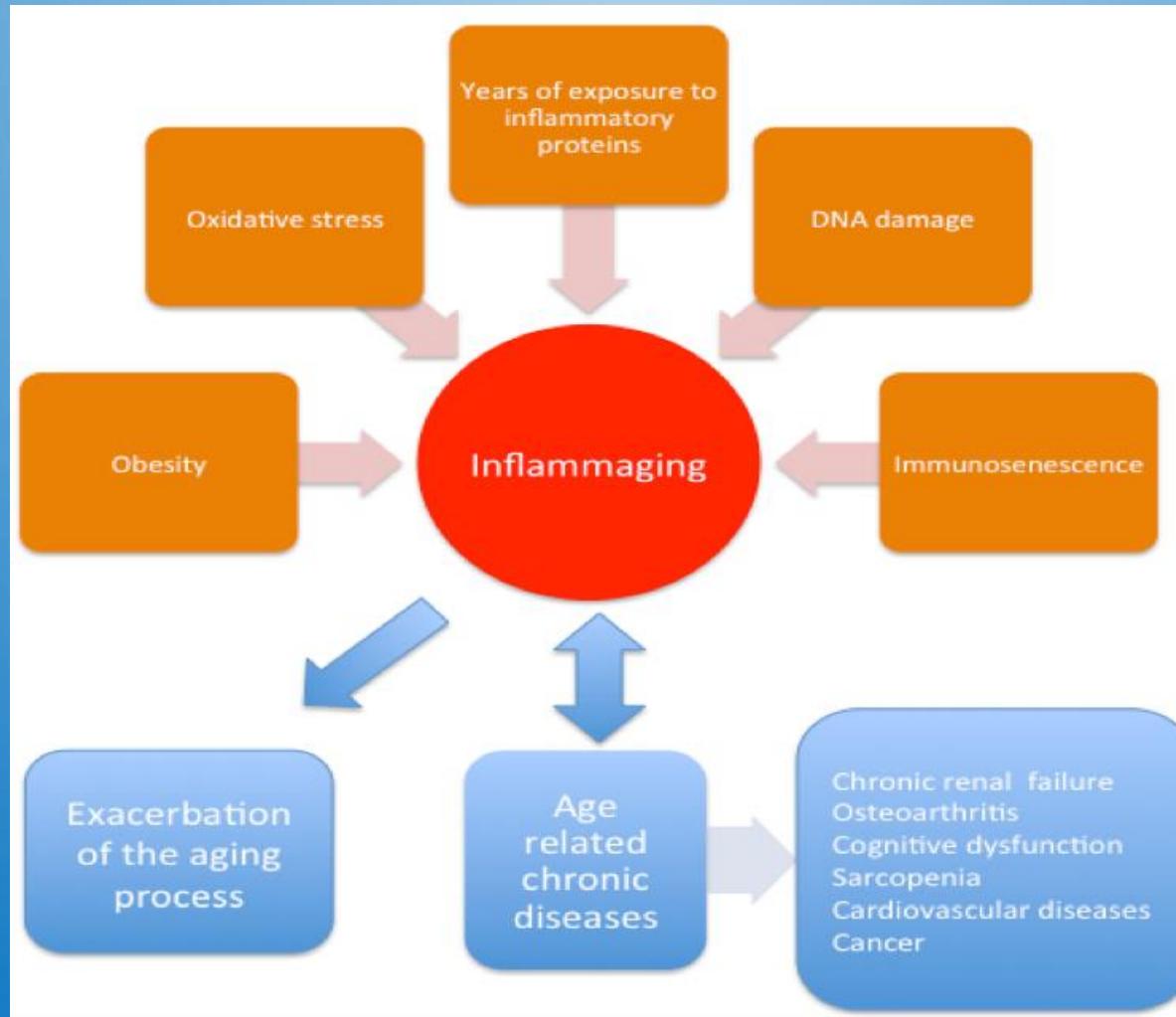
Senescence : The good, the bad, the carefully regulated



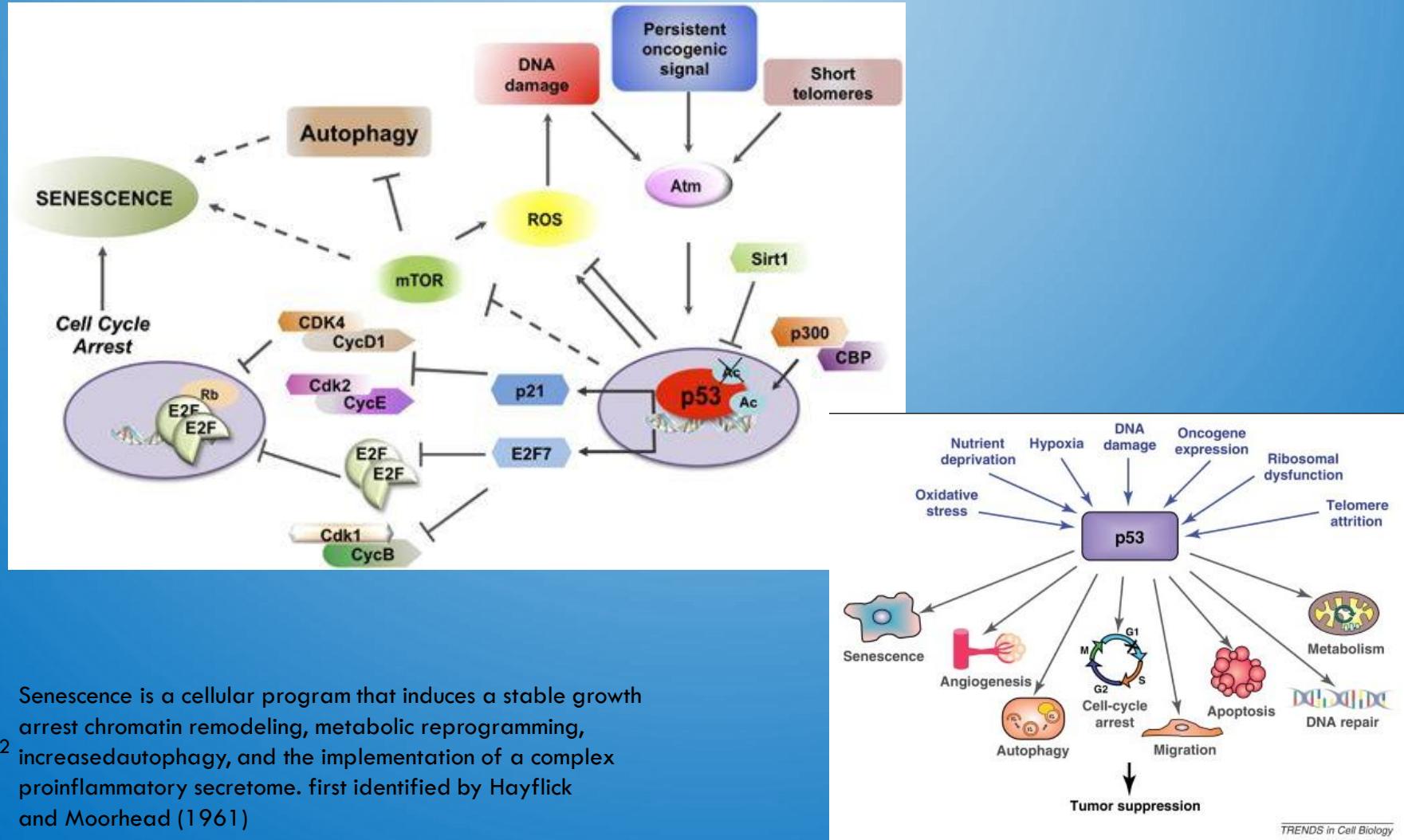
replicative senescence, DNA damage induced senescence, stress induced senescence and oncogene induced senescence

Domhnall McHugh and Jesús Gil, JCB 2017

# INFLAMM-AGEING IN CENTER OF AGEING AND MANY COMPLEX DISEASES E.G. OBESITY

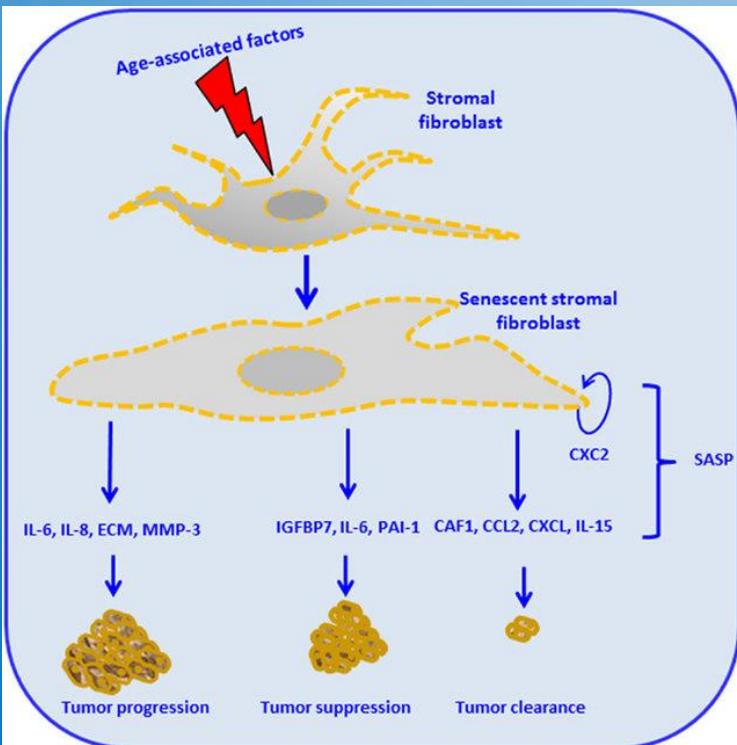


# SENESCENCE INVOLVED PATHWAYS: SIRT AND MTOR PATHWAY; P53-HSP70-AUTOPHAGY; NRF2-ROS, HSP90-STRESS, CDKS,...



# SENESCENCE AND THE SENEESCENCE ASSOCIATED SECRETORY PATHWAY

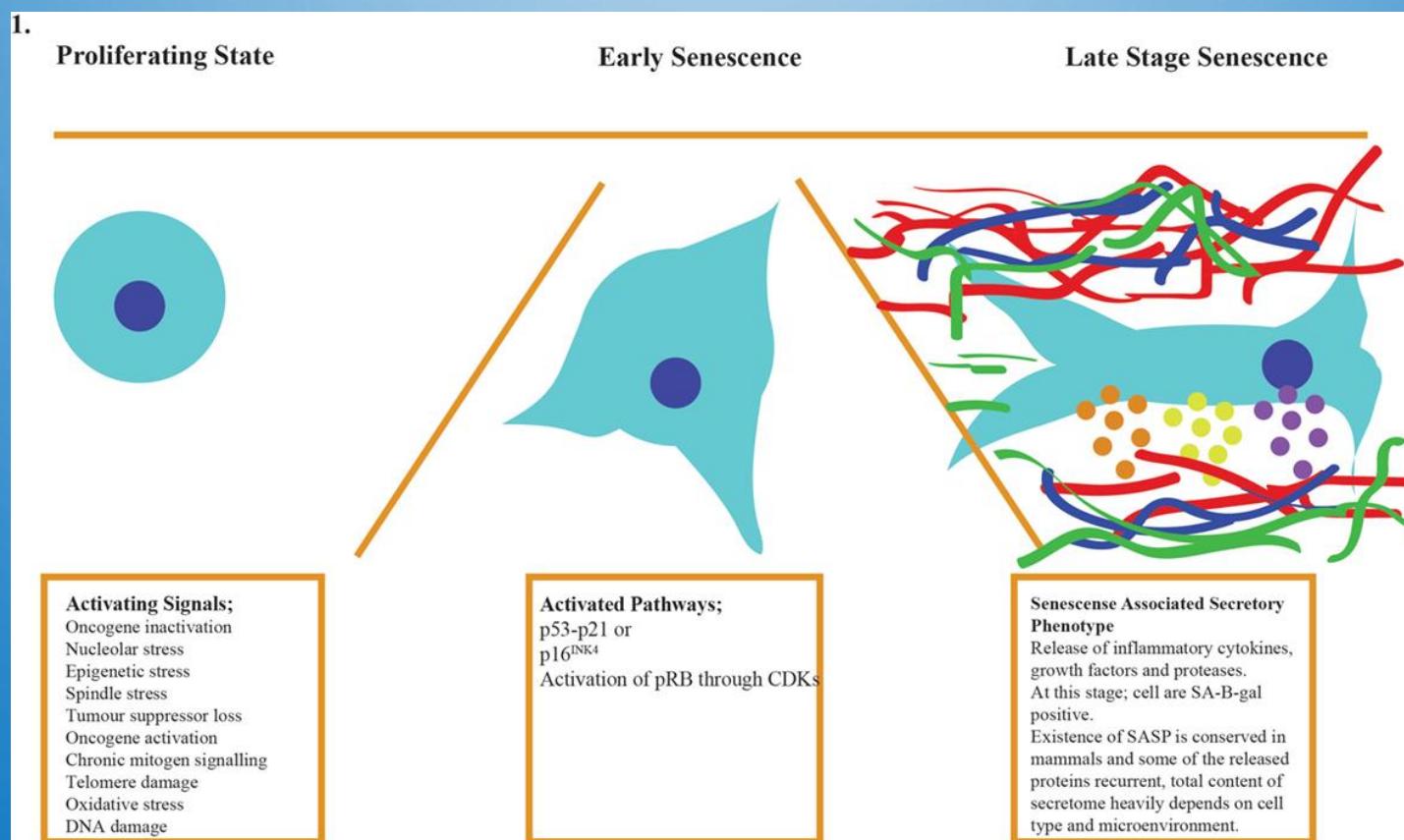
Senescent cells negatively affect their surrounding tissue by losing their cell specific functionality and by secreting a pro-tumorigenic and pro-inflammatory mixture of growth hormones, chemokines, cytokines and proteases, termed the **senescence-associated secretory phenotype (SASP)**



SASP recruits immune cells to eliminate senescent cells but also contributes to inflamming

# THE SEQUENCE OF SENESCENCE UNTIL BETA-GAL POSITIVE

1.



# BALANCED REGULATION BETWEEN SENESCENCE, CELL CYCLE ARREST, AUTOPHAGY AND APOPTOSIS



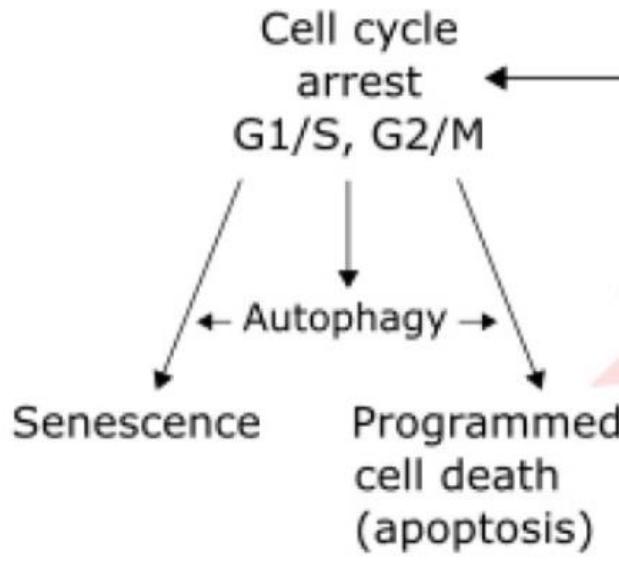
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Review

## An Interplay between Senescence, Apoptosis and Autophagy in Glioblastoma Multiforme—Role in Pathogenesis and Therapeutic Perspective

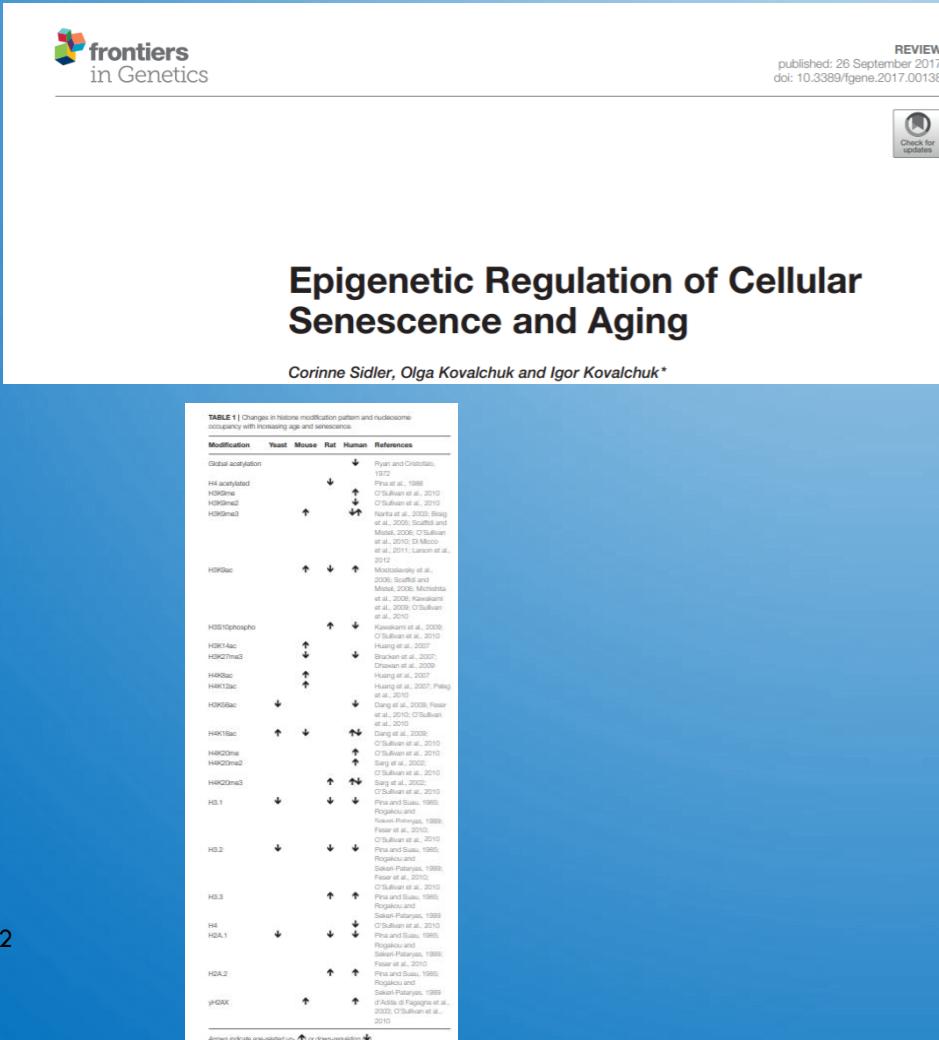
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( and mitophagy ?)

# EPIGENETIC REGULATION OF SENESCENCE: CPG METHYLATION, HISTONE MODIFICATION AND MIRNAS



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**Review Article**  
**MicroRNA Regulation of Oxidative Stress-Induced Cellular Senescence**

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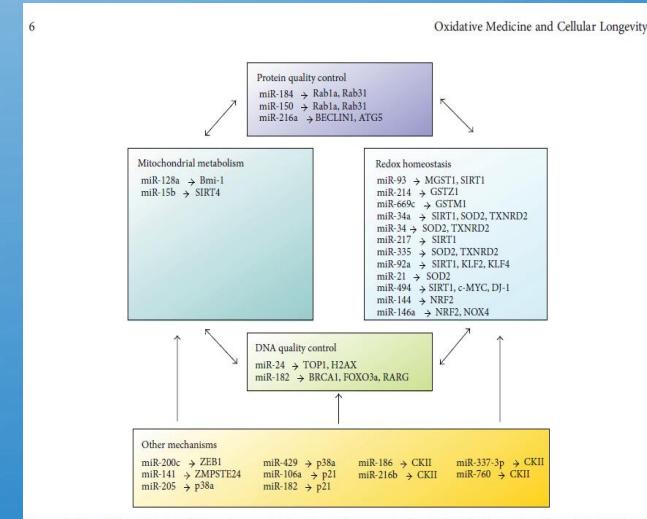
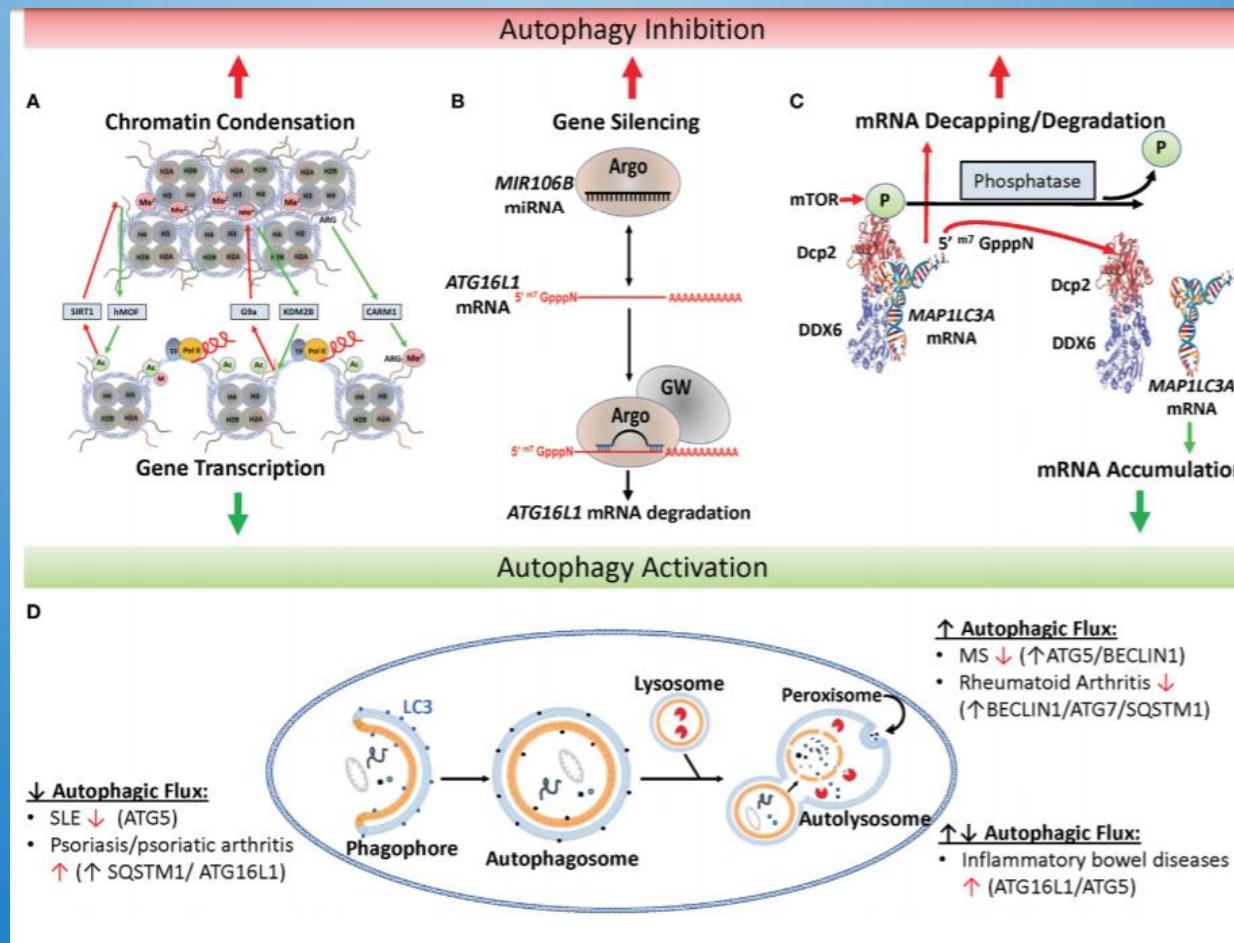


FIGURE 3: MicroRNAs and their mRNA targets as modulators of redox biology, mitochondrial metabolism, and quality control of DNA and proteins. The maintenance of DNA and protein quality is crucial for the preservation of youthful physiology in animals. Accordingly, mechanisms of DNA and protein quality control (QC) were identified as key targets for cellular senescence and aging. The performance of both QC mechanisms is affected by both mitochondrial and cytosolic ROS. Depicted here are known functions of microRNAs as mediators between ROS production and QC mechanisms. The final outcome of this regulatory circuit is further modulated by other (additional) mechanisms which are currently incompletely understood.

# AUTOPHAGY IS REGULATED EPIGENETICALLY

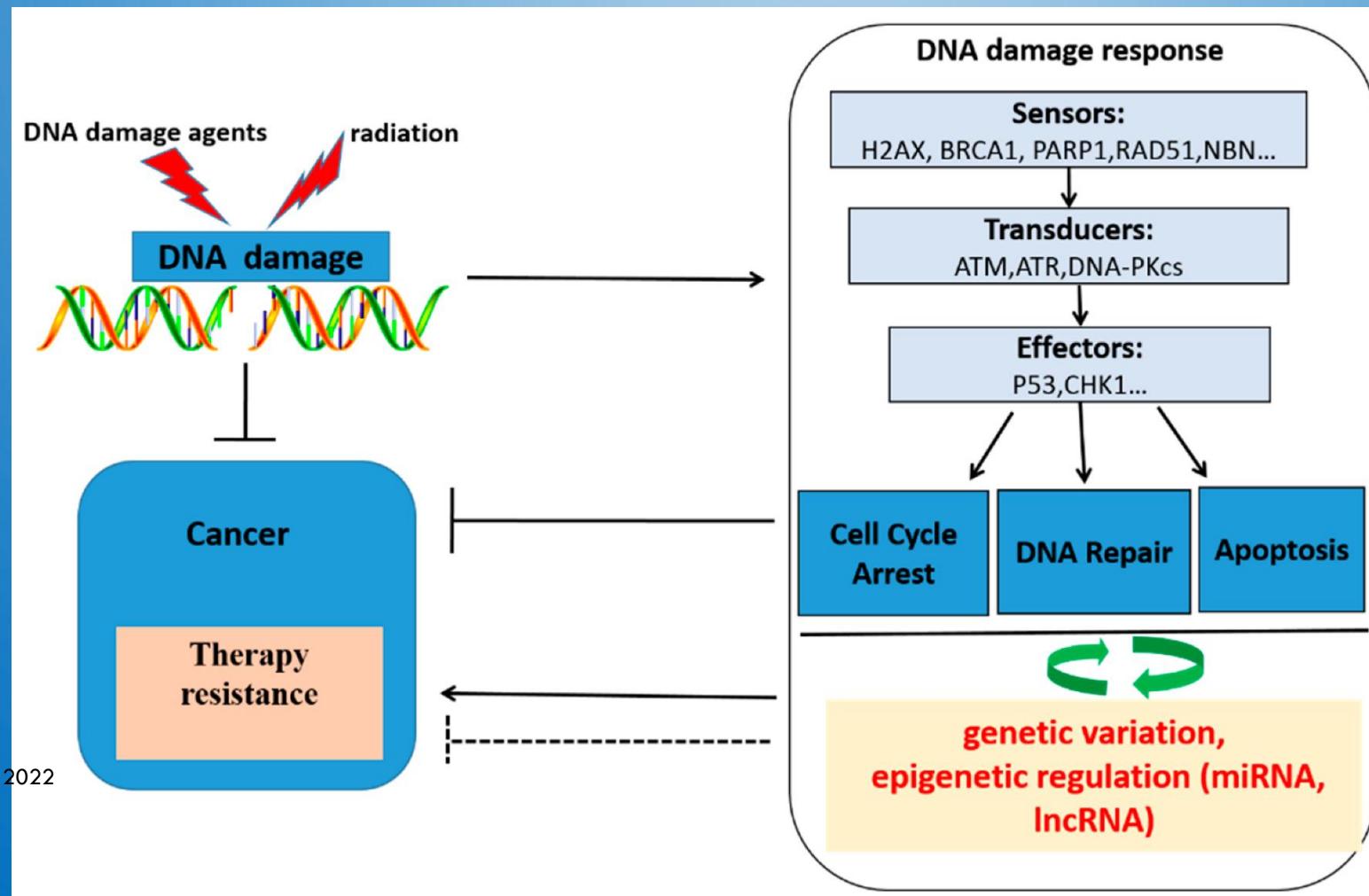


# EPIGENETICS AND AUTOPHAGY

**TABLE 1** | Epigenetic regulators associated with autophagy and immunity.

<b>Histone modification</b>					
<b>Histone modification</b>	<b>Regulator</b>	<b>Effect on autophagy</b>	<b>Immune phenotype</b>	<b>Disease implicated</b>	<b>Reference</b>
H3K9Ac	SIRT6	↑ATG5	Inhibition of NOTCH/NF- $\kappa$ B signaling	Proteinuric kidney disease	(50–52)
H4K16Ac (H1.2 variant)	SIRT1/HDAC1	↑Autophagy	Inflammation	Diabetic retinopathy	(53)
H3K9me	HIF-1 $\alpha$ , KDMs	↑BNIP3	Reactive oxygen species response	Traumatic brain injury/tumors	(51, 54)
H3R17me2	TFEB/co-activator-associated arginine methyltransferase 1	↑ATG14	Myeloid differentiation, SWI/SNF	Unknown	(39, 55, 56)
H4R3me2	C/EBP $\beta$ /PRMT5	Unknown	IL-8, TNF $\alpha$ expression	Unknown	(57)
Multiple	HDAC6	SQSTM1 autophagic clearance	Interferon response pathway	Viral/bacterial clearance	(58, 59)
<b>Histone deacetylase inhibitors (HDACi)</b>					
<b>Drug</b>	<b>Regulator</b>	<b>Effect on autophagy</b>	<b>Immune phenotype</b>	<b>Diseases treated with HDACi</b>	<b>Reference</b>
Vorinostat	HDACs	↑Autophagosome formation (ATG5)	Viral myocarditis	Cutaneous T-cell lymphoma	(60)
Vorinostat	HDACs	Unknown	CD4 and CD8 tumor immunity	Metastatic colorectal cancer	(61)
Vorinostat	HDACs	↑Autophagy (ATG5)	NF- $\kappa$ B signaling, VSV oncolysis	See diseases treated above	(62)
Tubastatin A	HDAC6	↑Autophagy (ATG7)	TNF $\alpha$ , IL-6 cisplatin toxicity	Acute kidney injury/pancreatic cancer	(49, 63)
Panobinostat	HDACs	↑Autophagy (LC3)	Lymphocyte tumor killing, TNF $\alpha$	Hodgkin lymphoma/multiple myeloma	(64, 65)
Multiple	HDACs	↑Autophagic flux (ULK1/ATG7)	Reverse HIV-1 latency	Peripheral T-cell lymphoma	(66)
Multiple	HDACs	↓Autophagy (ATG7)	Apoptosis induction	DS-AMKL (proposed)	(67)
<b>microRNA (miRNA) regulation of autophagy</b>					
<b>miRNA</b>	<b>Effect on autophagy</b>		<b>Immune phenotype</b>	<b>Disease implicated</b>	<b>Reference</b>
miR-30a	↓BECN1 (↓autophagy)		Unknown	Cancer	(68)
miR-30b	↓Autophagy (↓ATG12, BECN1)		Intracellular survival of <i>Helicobacter pylori</i>	Cancer	(69, 70)
miR-106b, miR-93	↓Autophagy (↓ATG16L1)		Defects in bacterial clearance, inflammation	Crohn's disease	(71)
miR-142-3p	↓ATG16L1		Intestinal inflammation	Crohn's disease	(72)
miR-30c, miR-130a	↓Autophagy (↓ATG5, ATG16L1)		Invasive <i>Escherichia coli</i> , NF- $\kappa$ B activation, inflammation	Crohn's disease	(73)
miR-196	↓IRGM (↓autophagy)		Mitochondrial function, ineffective <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> ( <i>Mtb</i> ) and <i>E. coli</i> control	Crohn's disease	(74, 75)
miR-210	↓Bcl-2		HIF-1 $\alpha$ pathways, hypoxia-induced apoptosis, TH $\gamma$ differentiation	Traumatic brain injury	(76, 77)
miR-21	↓IL-12p35, ↓Bcl-2		NF- $\kappa$ B activation, impaired anti-mycobacterial T cell responses	<i>Mtb</i> infection, asthma	(78, 79)
miR-17, -20, -93, -106	↓SQSTM1		Elevated P-ERK levels, enhanced hematopoiesis	Acute myeloid leukemia	(80)
miR-155, -31	↓PPP2R5A (↓autophagy)		↓JAK-STAT ↓WNT-SHH, Th2 polarization	Mycobacteria, <i>Shigella</i> , <i>Listeria</i> infection	(81)
miR-UL148d (HCMV)	↓ERNI1 (↓autophagy)		Inhibition of apoptosis, impaired anti-viral response	HCMV infection	(82)
miR-1303	↓ATG2B (↓autophagy)		Suppression of mycobacteria-induced autophagy, ↓TNF- $\alpha$	<i>Mtb</i> infection	(83)
miR-471-5p	↓LC3, ↓ATG12, ↓BECN1		LC3-associated phagocytosis, apoptotic germ cells	Male infertility	(84)
miR-155	↓ATG3 (↓autophagy)		Suppression of anti- <i>Mtb</i> dendritic cell response	<i>Mtb</i> infection	(85)
miR-155	↓RHEB (↑autophagy)		Enhanced killing of intracellular <i>Mtb</i>	<i>Mtb</i> infection	(86)

# EPIGENETICS REGULATES DNA REPAIR



# DNA BREAKS, REPAIR

## Formation of reactive oxygen species (ROS)

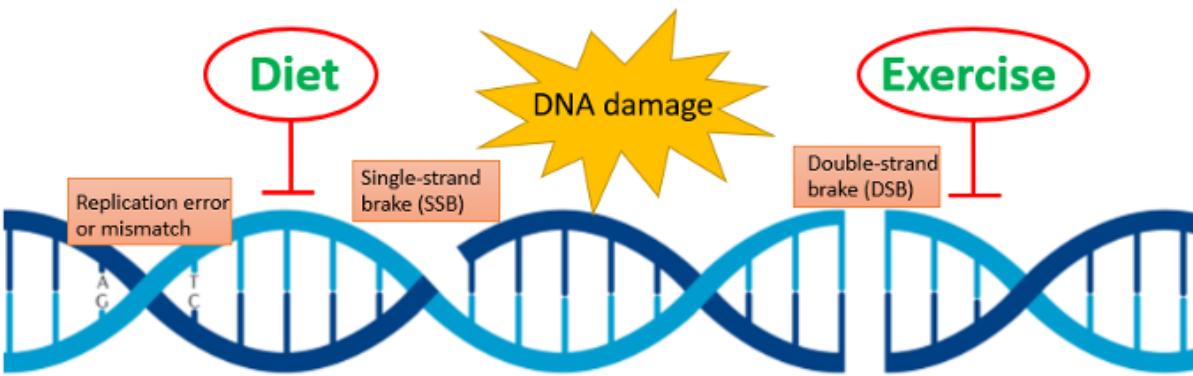
Cellular metabolism

Ultraviolet (UV) light

Ionizing radiation

Mutagenic chemicals

Viral infections



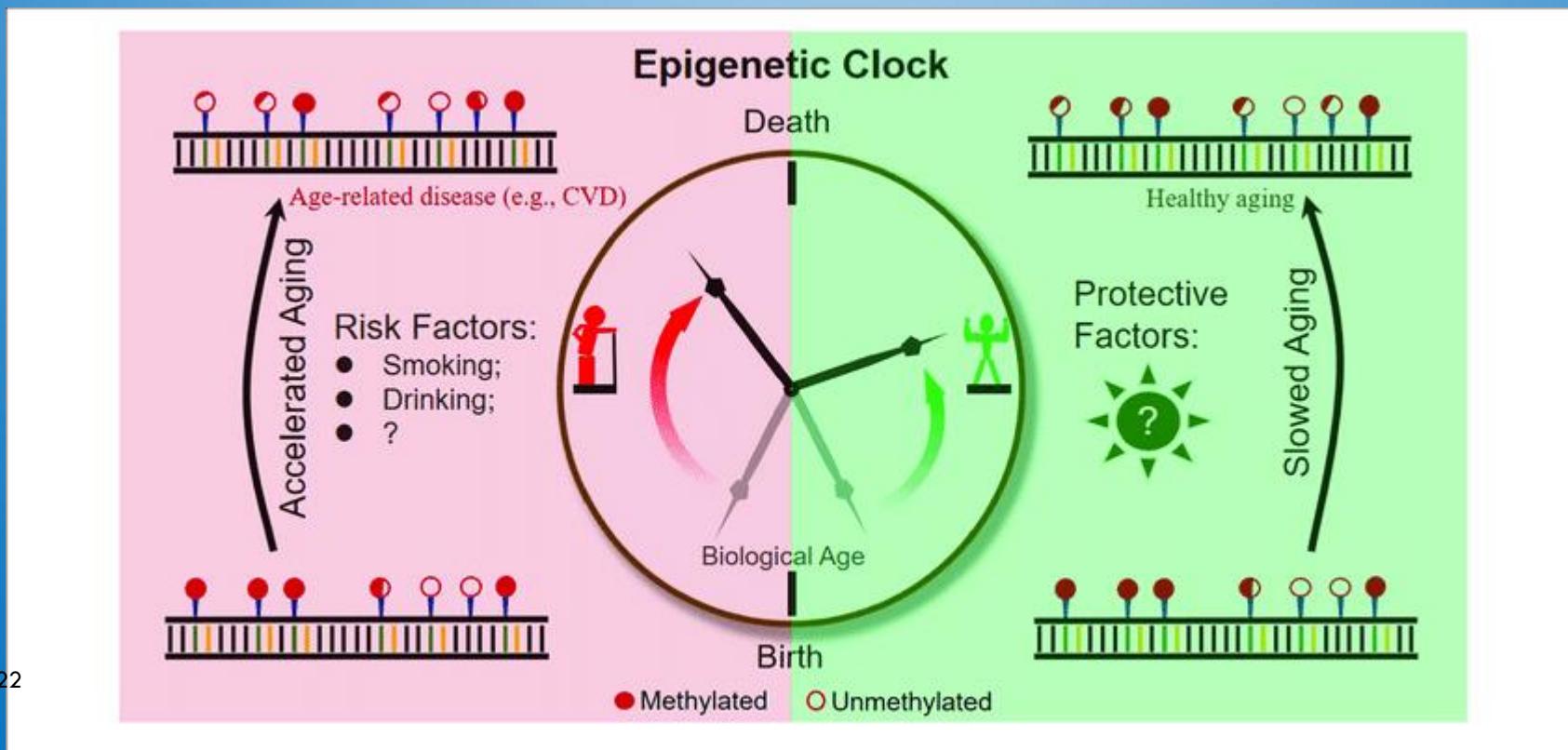
1. **Antioxidant defense system**

2. **DNA repair**

- Direct reversal
- Base excision repair (BER)
- Nucleotide excision repair (NER)
- Mismatch repair (MMR)
- Double-strand break repair (DSBR)

3. **Apoptosis**

# AGING AND CPG METHYLATION, THE EPIGENETIC CLOCK

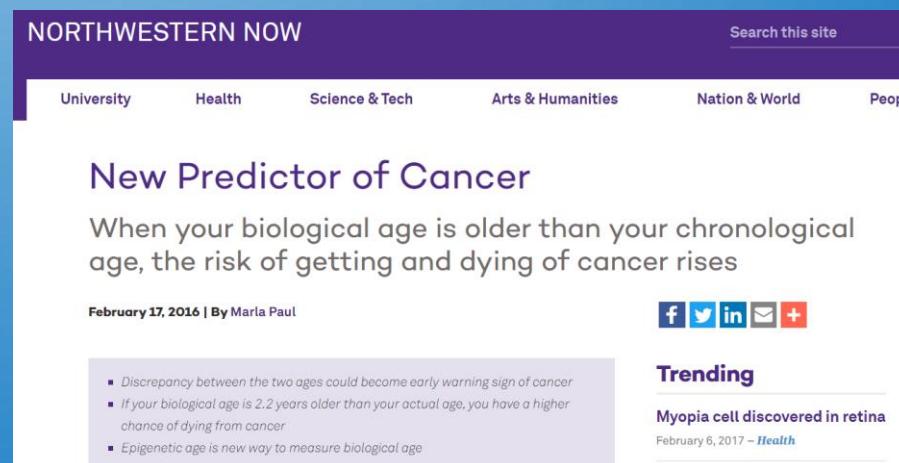


# BIOLOGICAL AGE: NICE TO KNOW OR BIOLOGICAL RELEVANCE? E.G. RISK FOR COMPLEX DISEASES



The Telegraph news article headline: "Drop of blood can show biological age and predict Alzheimer's Disease". Subtext: "True biological age is written in the genes and can now be read by scientists using a simple blood test". Social sharing icons: Facebook 660, Twitter 0, Pinterest 0, LinkedIn 50, LinkedIn 710, Email.

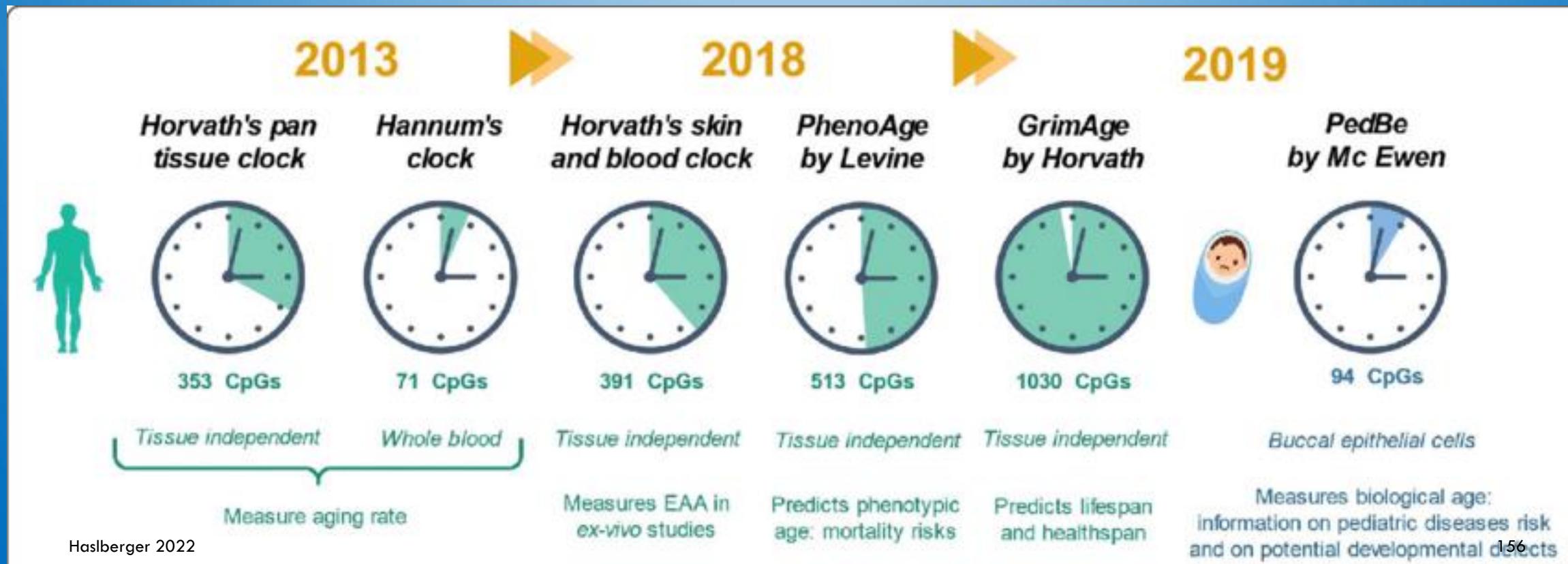
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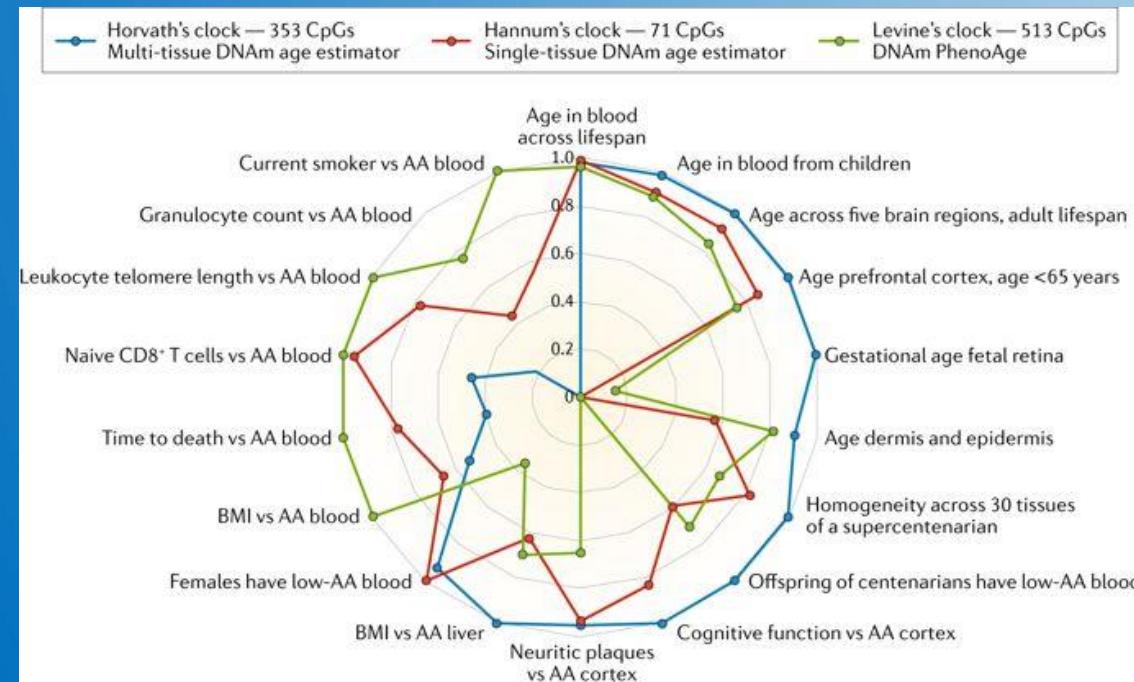
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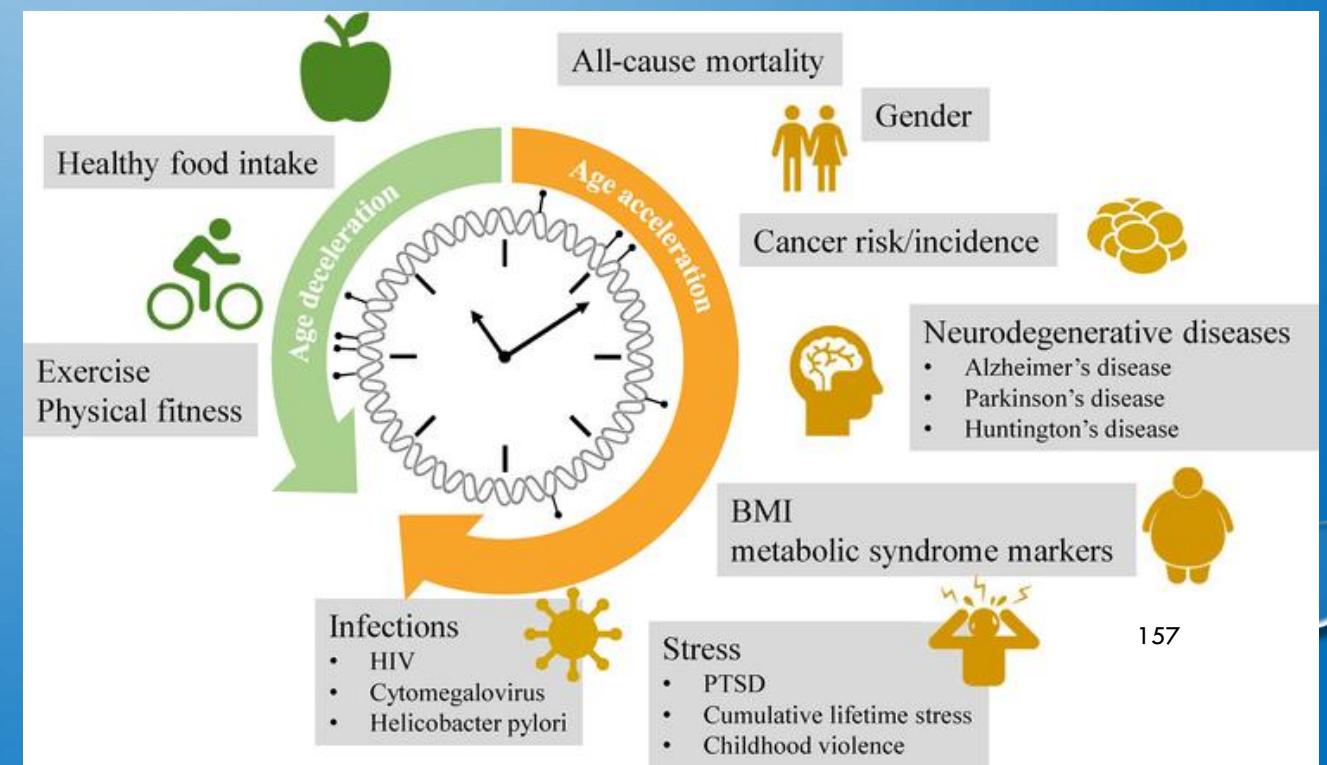
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# CLOCKS AND PREDICTION OF MORTALITY



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# NUTRIEPIGENETICS

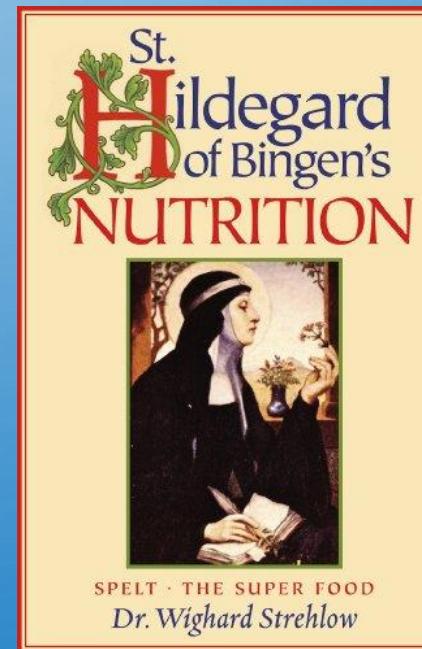
# NUTRITION FOODS

**Nutrition is the biochemical and physiological process by which an organism uses food to support its life.**

**Hippocrates, “Let food be thy medicine, and let medicine be thy food”**



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# EFSA

## Dietary supplement

- Products contains nutrients derived from food products that are concentrated in liquid or capsule form

## Novel food

- Foods and food ingredients that have not been used for human consumption to a significant degree in the EU before 15 May 1997.

## Functional food

- Functional foods have been either enriched or fortified, a process called nutrification



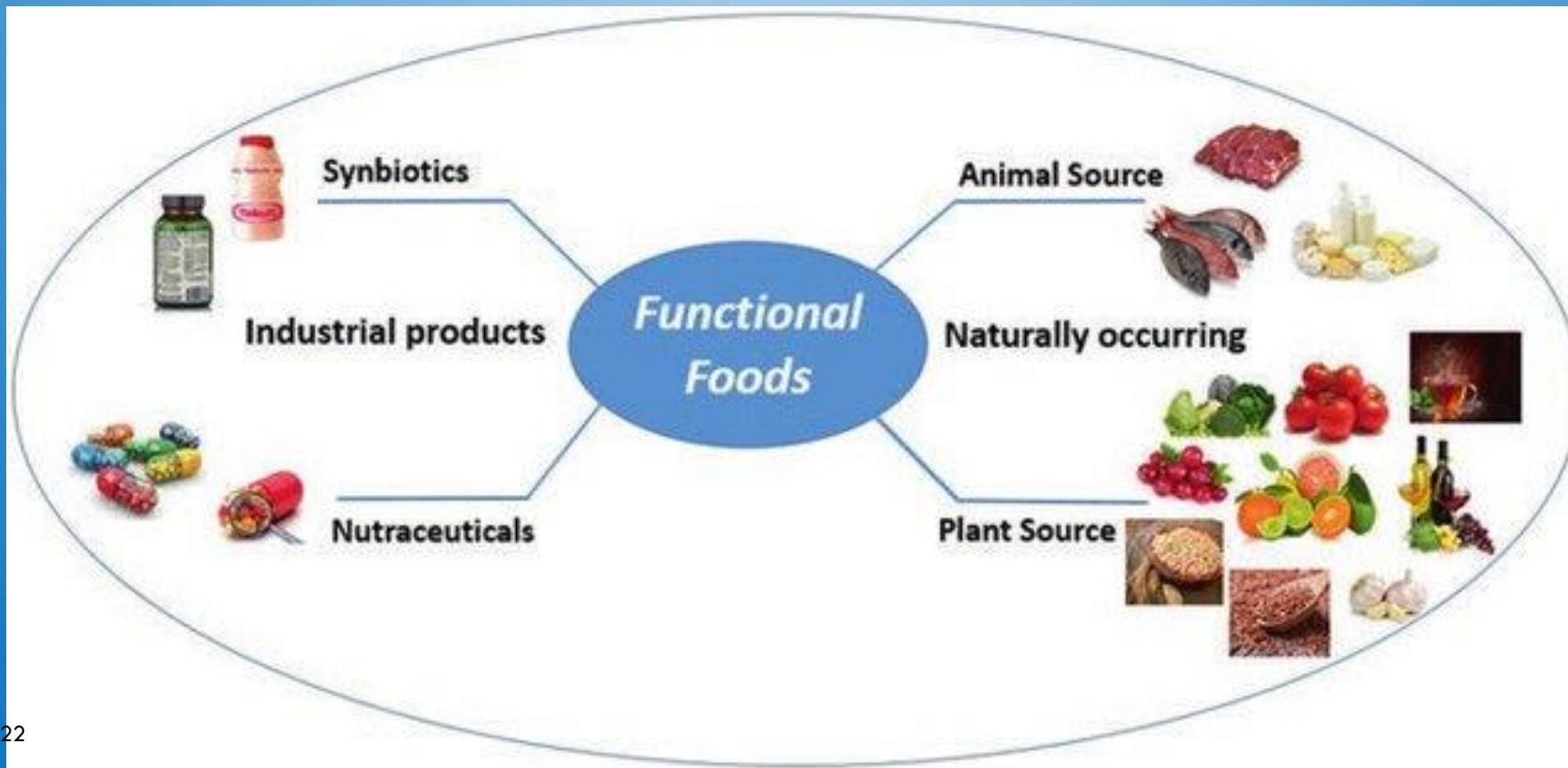
# Novel food

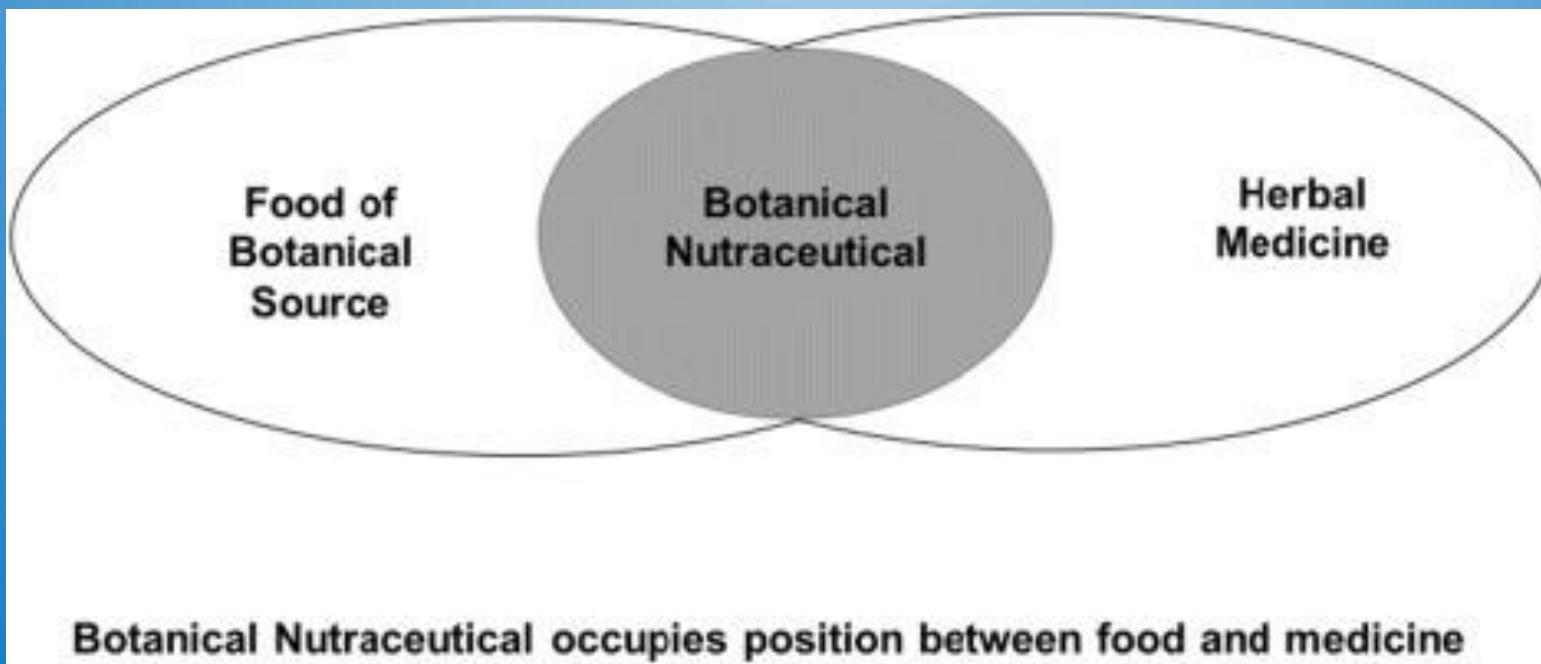
- Foods and food ingredients
  - with a new or intentionally **modified primary molecular structure** (eg, fat substitutes);
  - consisting of **microorganisms**, fungi or algae, or can be isolated from this (for example, microalgae oil);
  - consisting of plants or isolated (eg phytosterols), and isolated from animals food ingredients.



- Functional foods are defined as “any food and food ingredients that may provide health benefit beyond the traditional nutrition that it contains”.
- **Japan** was the first country to recognize functional foods as a separate category when in **1991** it introduced the **FOSHU (Foods for Specific Health Use)** system to evaluate health claims.
- FSSAI issues Gazette notification for regulations on Nutraceuticals, Functional Foods, Novel Foods and others on 23 December 2016.

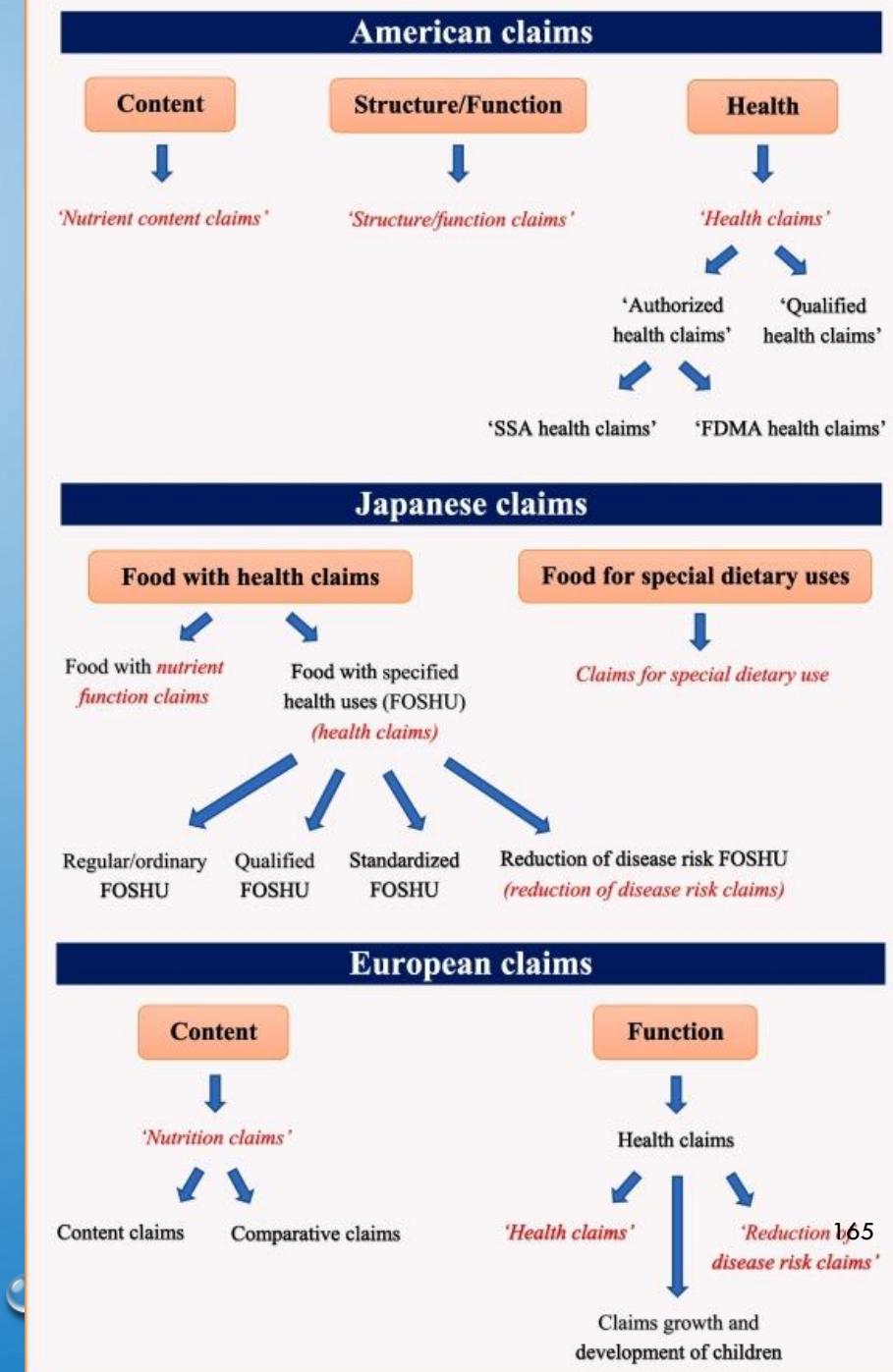
# FUNCTIONAL FOOD





# FUNCTIONAL FOODS AND HEALTH CLAIMS

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# EPIGENETIC DIETS FOR PREVENTION AND CO- THERAPY ?

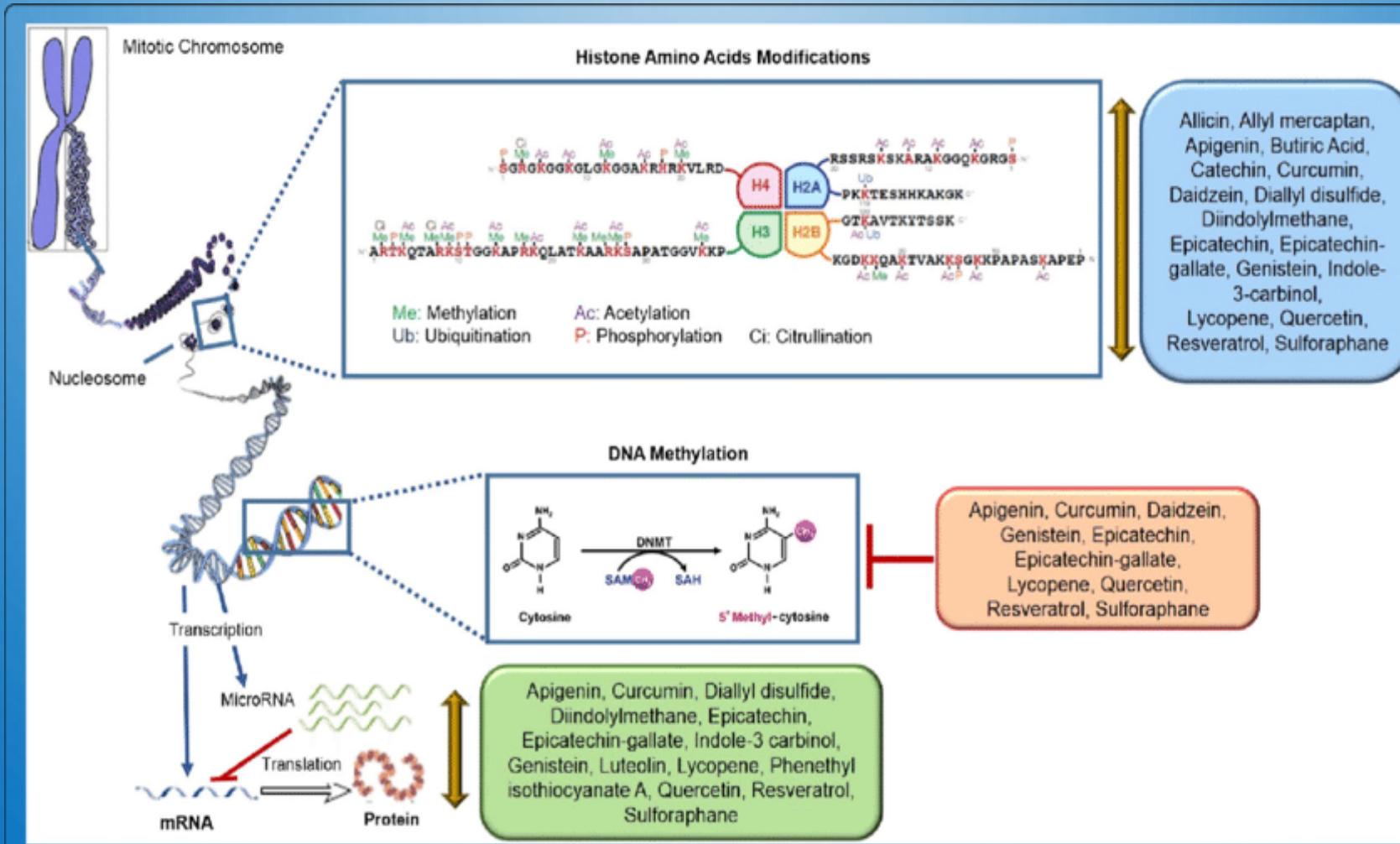
## Diet and Epigenetics



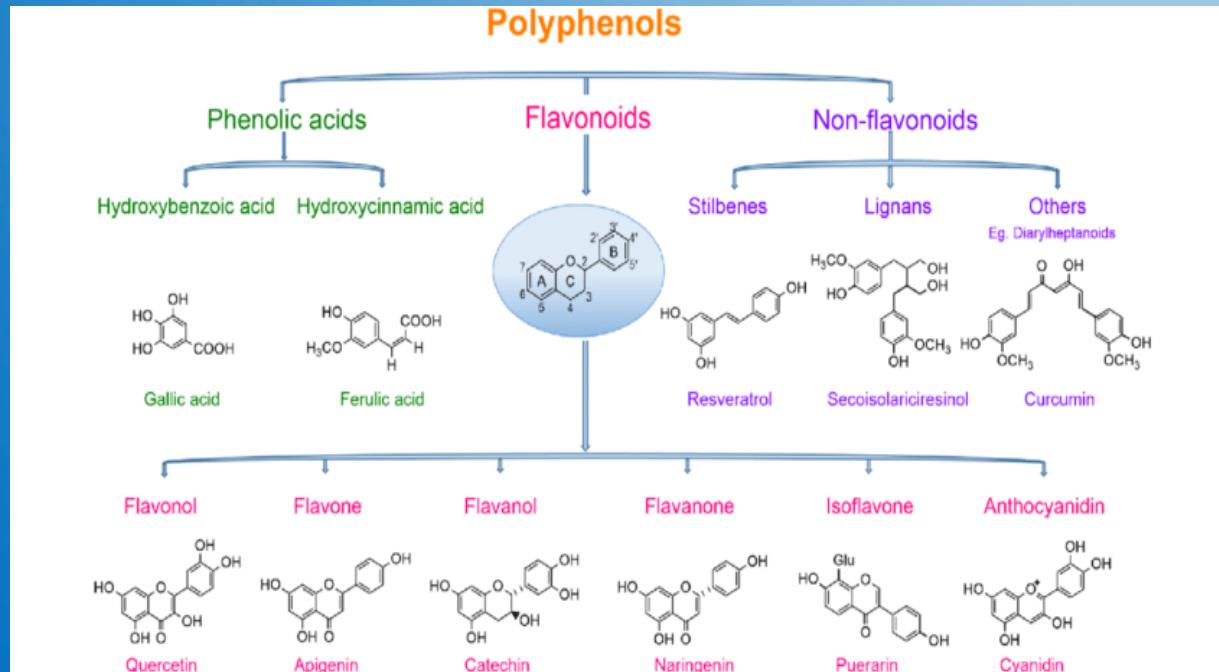
Examples of dietary ingredients with epigenetic and chromatin remodeling properties

- Sulforanes from Brassica – HDAC inhibitors
- EGCG from green tea – DNA demethylation
- Genistein from soy – DNA methylation/demethylation
- Resveratrol from red grapes – affects NAD<sup>+</sup>- dependent histone deacetylases (i.e., SIRT1) that deacetylates histones and regulatory proteins like PGC-1 $\alpha$
- Lunasin from soy – chromatin binding peptide and inhibitor of histone acetylation

# EFFECT OF PLANT INGREDIENTS ON ALL EPIGENETIC MECHANISMS



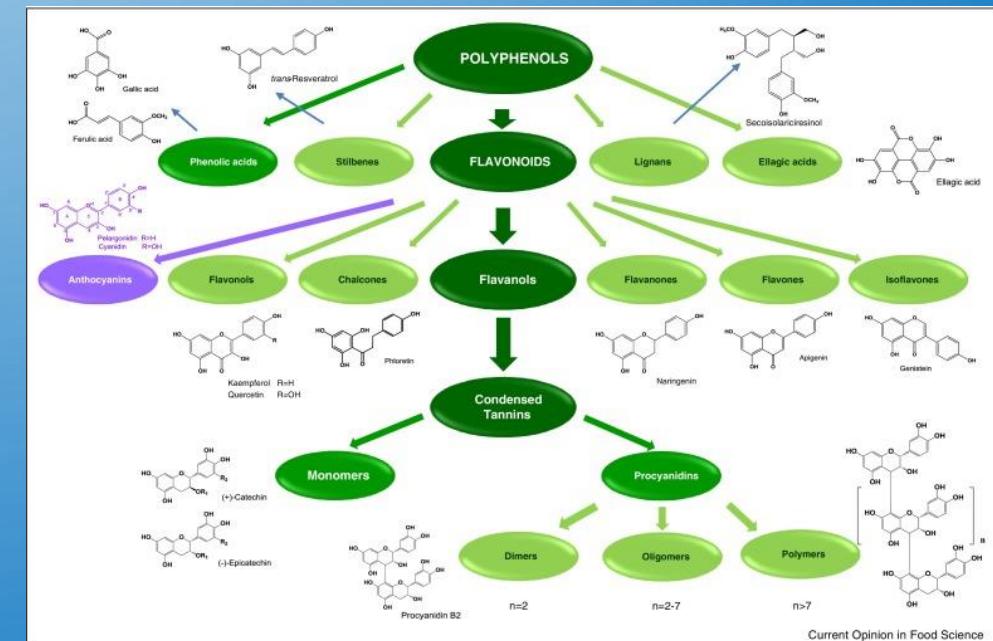
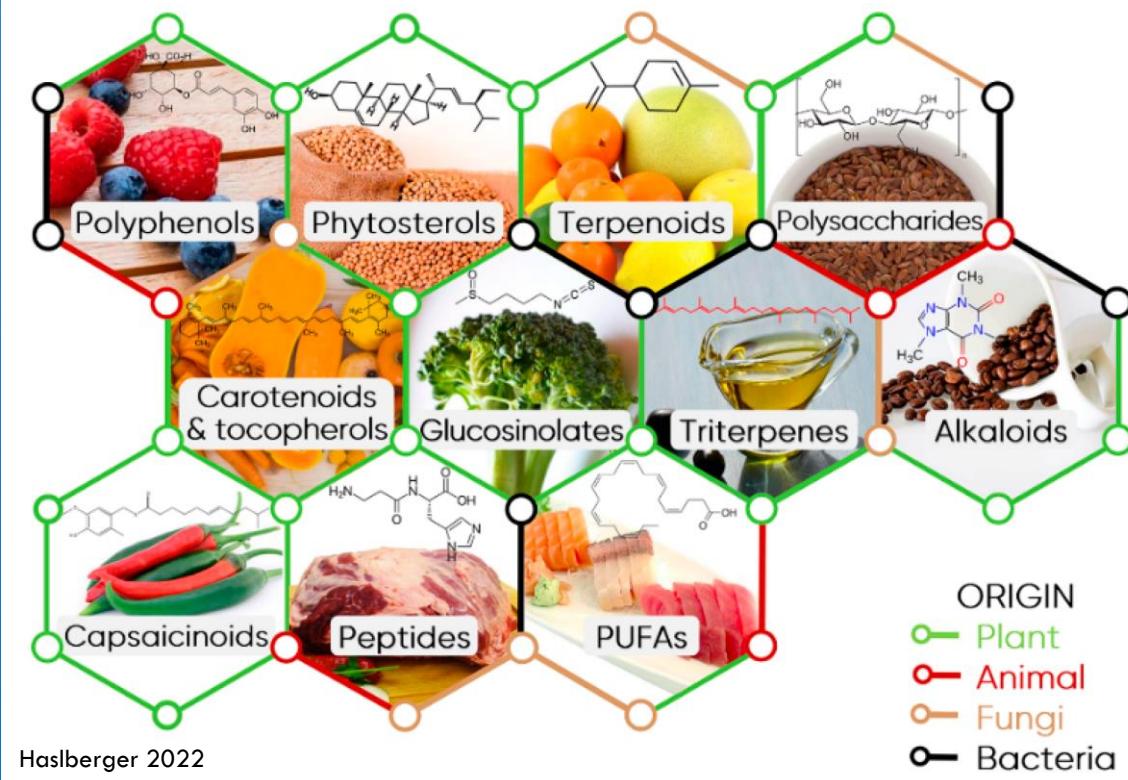
# POLYPHENOLS



Polyphenols are molecules chemically characterized by the presence of at least **one aromatic ring with one or more hydroxyl groups attached**. Polyphenols are plant **secondary metabolites** that are thought to help plants to survive and proliferate, protecting them against microbial infections or herbivorous animals, or luring pollinators. Polyphenols are found in many medicinal and edible plants which represent important alimentary sources, including fruits, vegetables, beverages (such as tea and red wine) and extra virgin oil

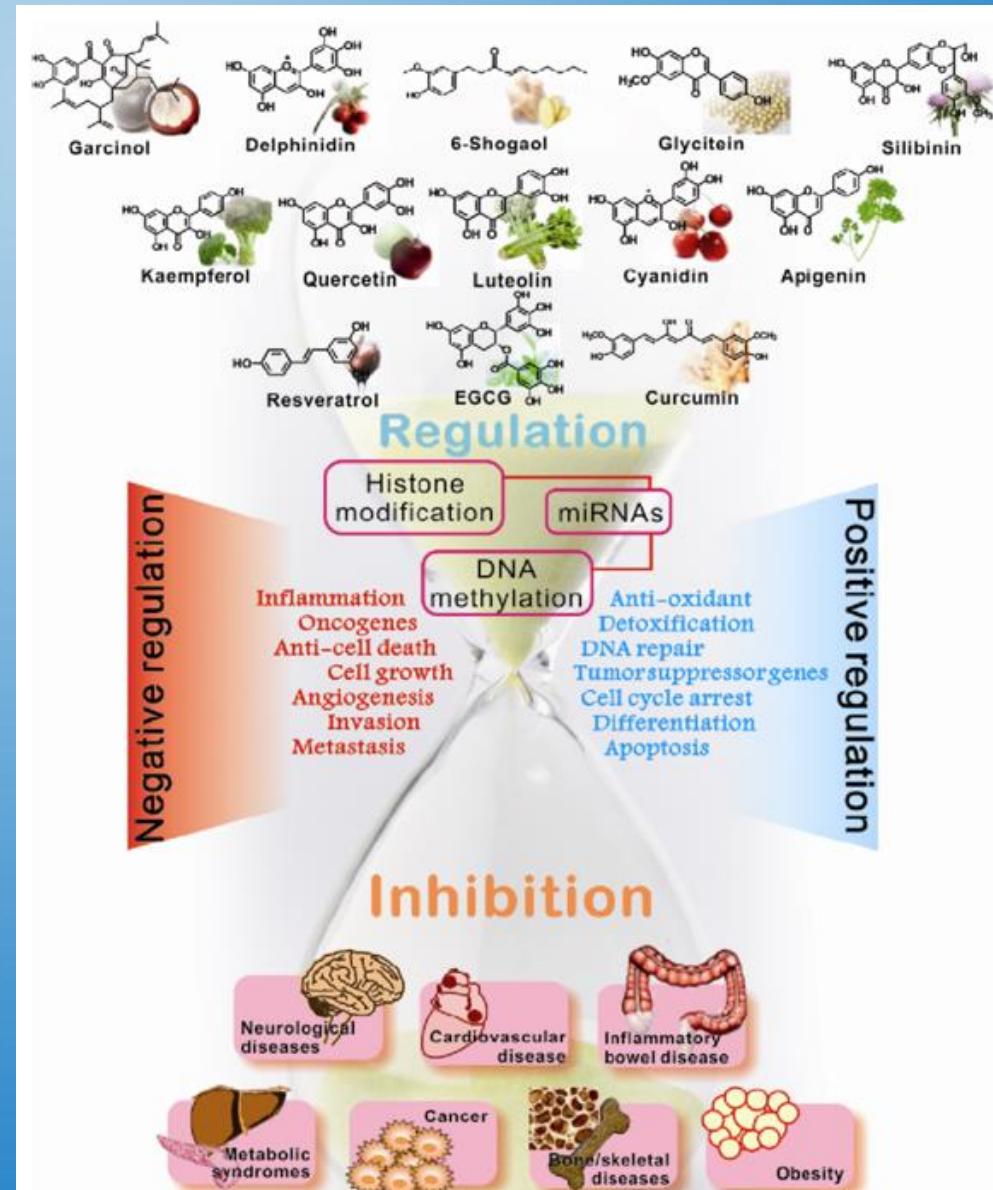
# TYPES AND CLASSIFICATION OF BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS FROM FOOD

Major Food Bioactive Compounds (FBCs) sources and classification



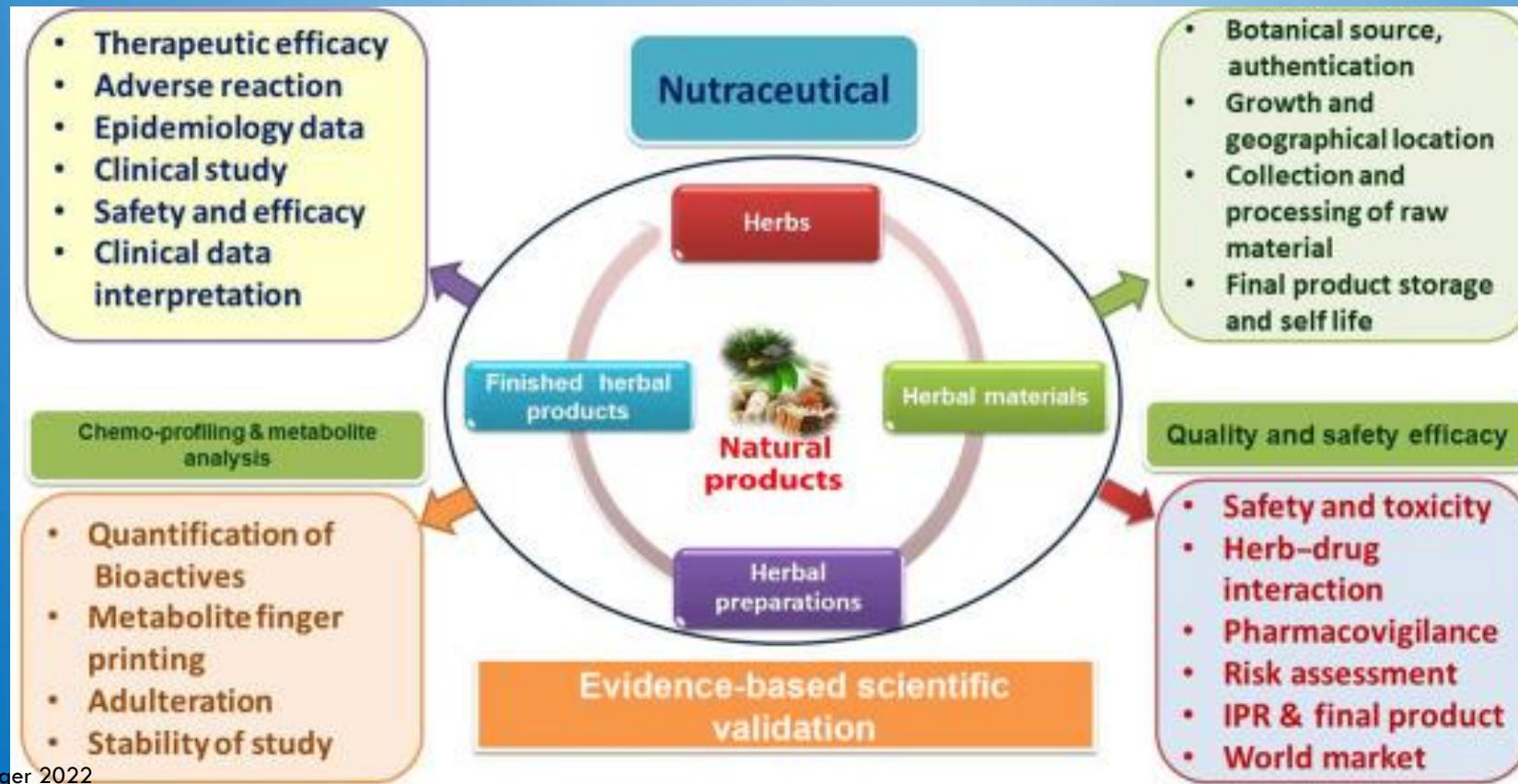
# BIO-ACTIVE FOODS ANTI-OXYDATIVE, EPIGENETICALLY ACTIVE

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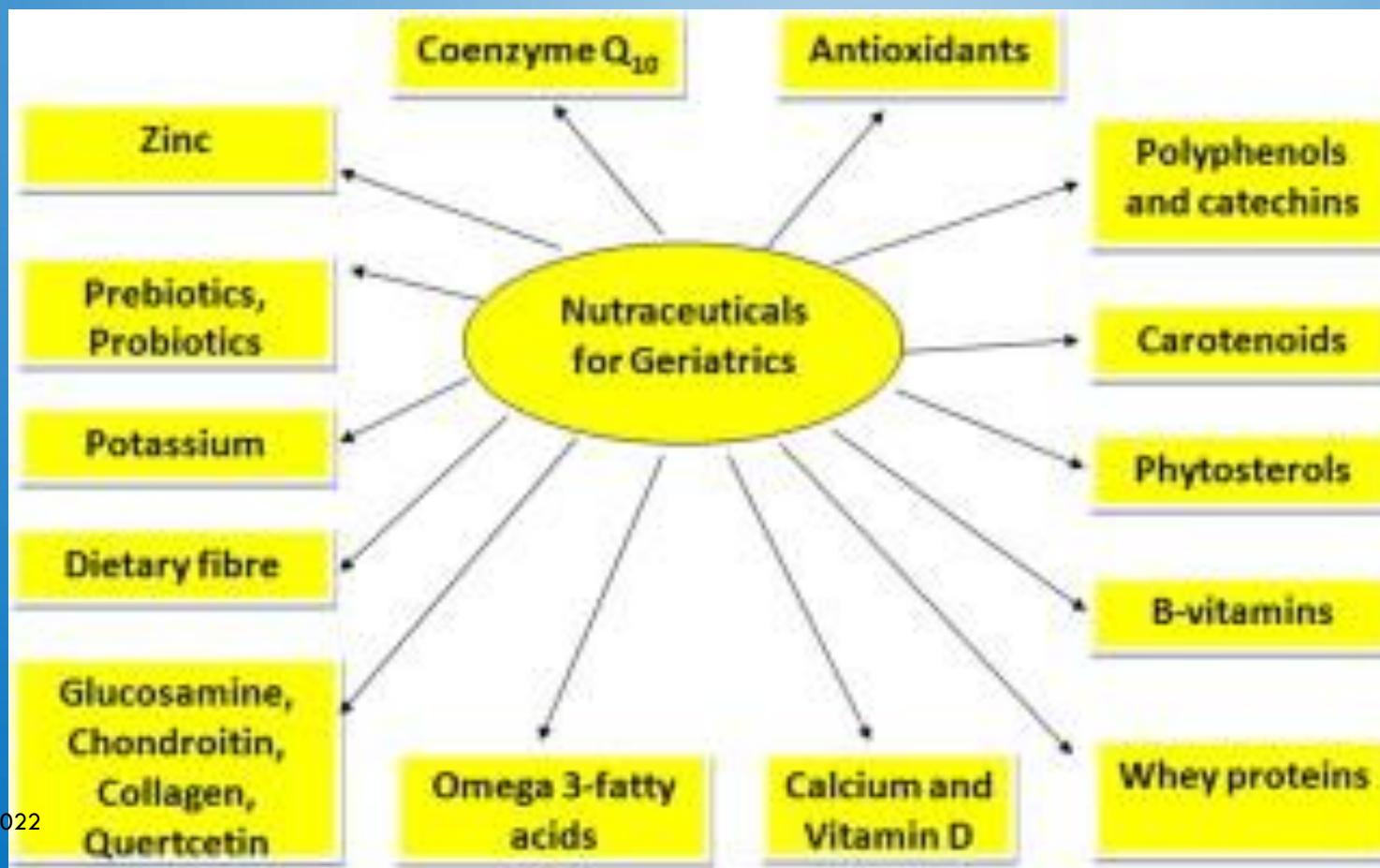


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# NUTRACEUTICALS



# NUTRACEUTICALS FOR AGING

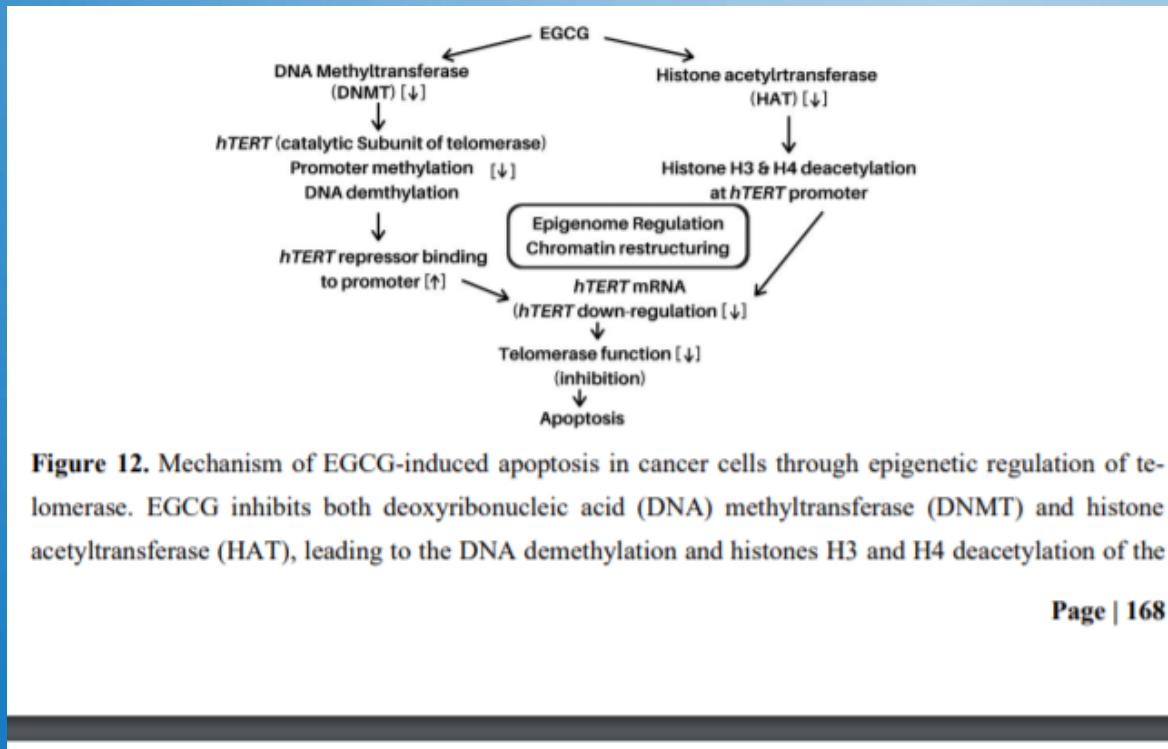


# DISCUSSED ACTIVITIES OF NUTRACEUTICALS ALONG THE HALLMARKS OF AGING, AGE RELATED COMPLEX DISEASES, FACTS OR HYPOTHESIS ?

Anti oxydative	Epigenetic active
inflammation	neuroinflammation
Telomers	Mitochondria
Autophagy	Apoptose
Senolytic	DNa repair
Immune senescence	Nuro infl
Anti bacterial	Anti viral
AGING	



# EGCG TELOMERASE, C-MYC, H-TERT



**Figure 12.** Mechanism of EGCG-induced apoptosis in cancer cells through epigenetic regulation of telomerase. EGCG inhibits both deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) methyltransferase (DNMT) and histone acetyltransferase (HAT), leading to the DNA demethylation and histones H3 and H4 deacetylation of the

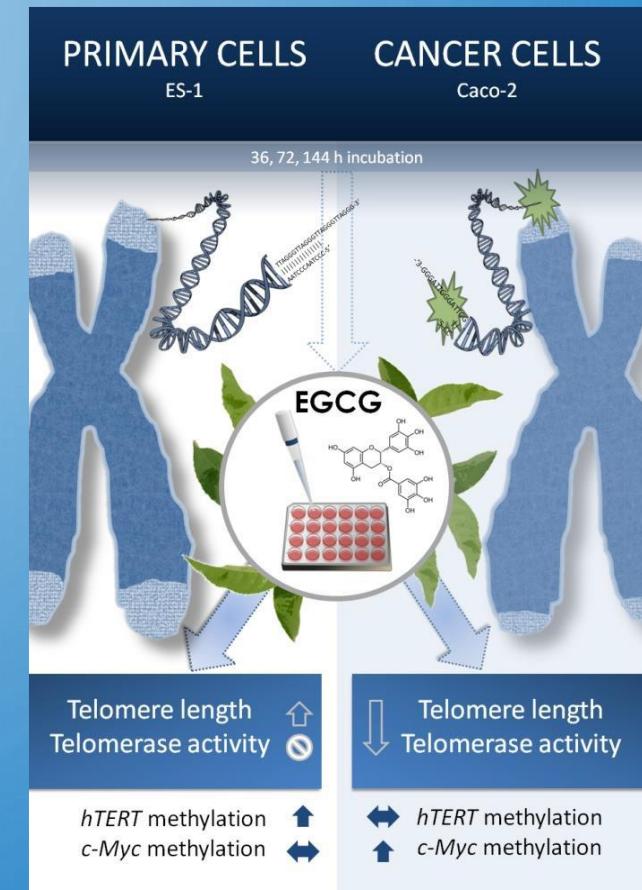
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human telomerase– reverse transcriptase (hTERT) promoter, respectively. These events result in the epige-



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# EGCG/TIMEBLOCK INCREASE TELOMERE LENGTH AND AFFECTS EPIGENETIC MARKERS

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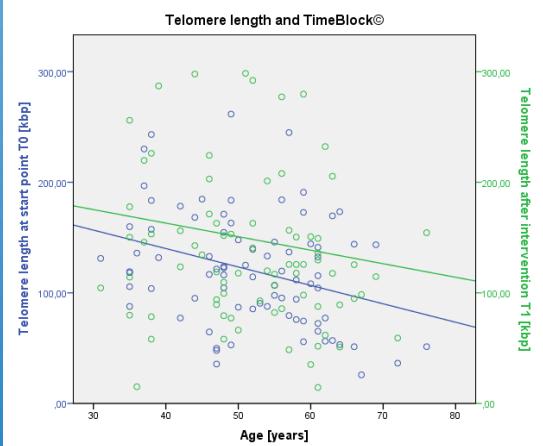
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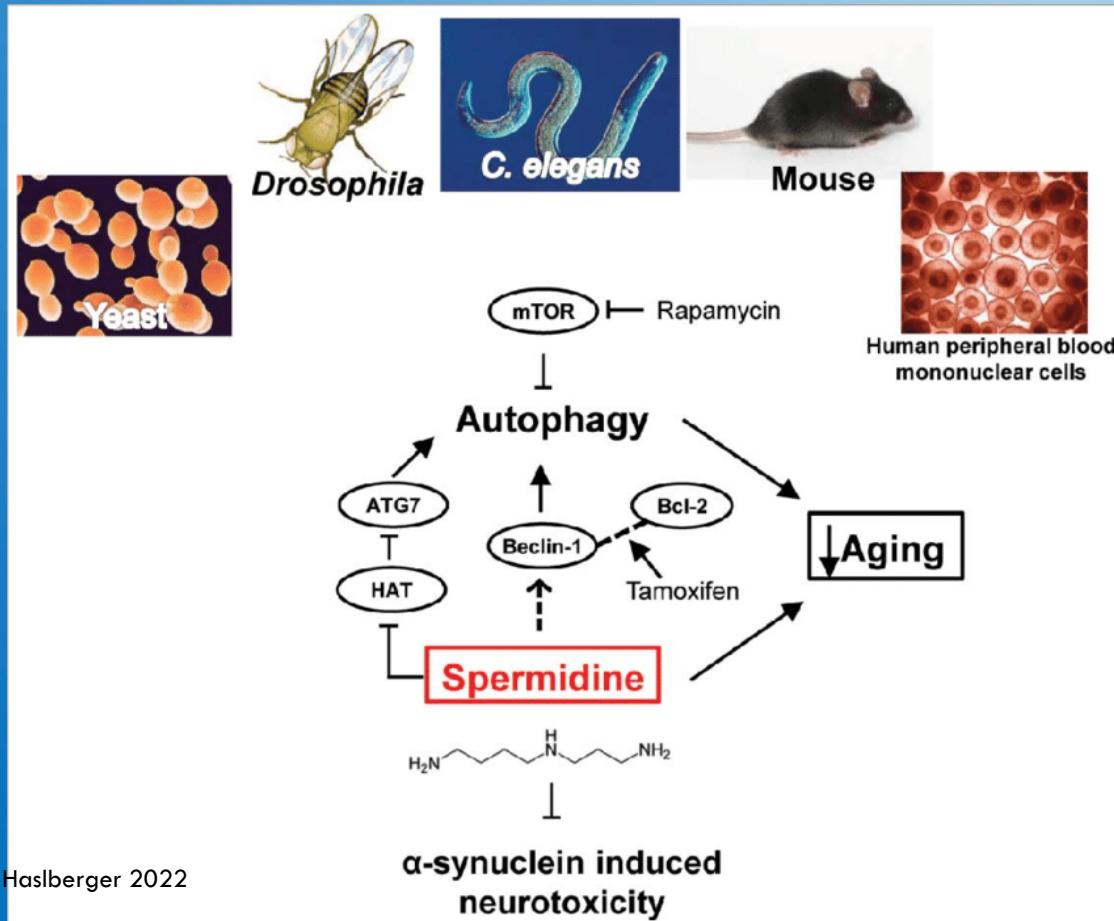


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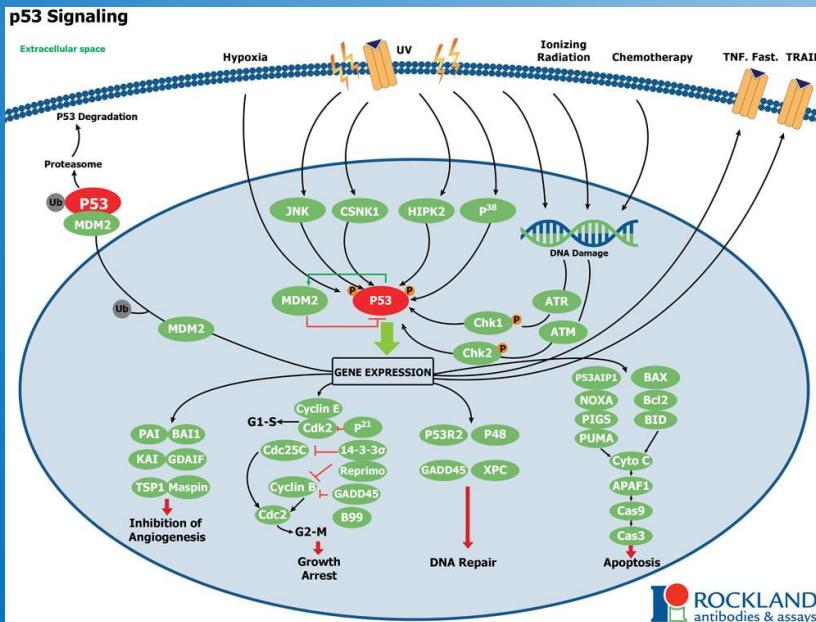
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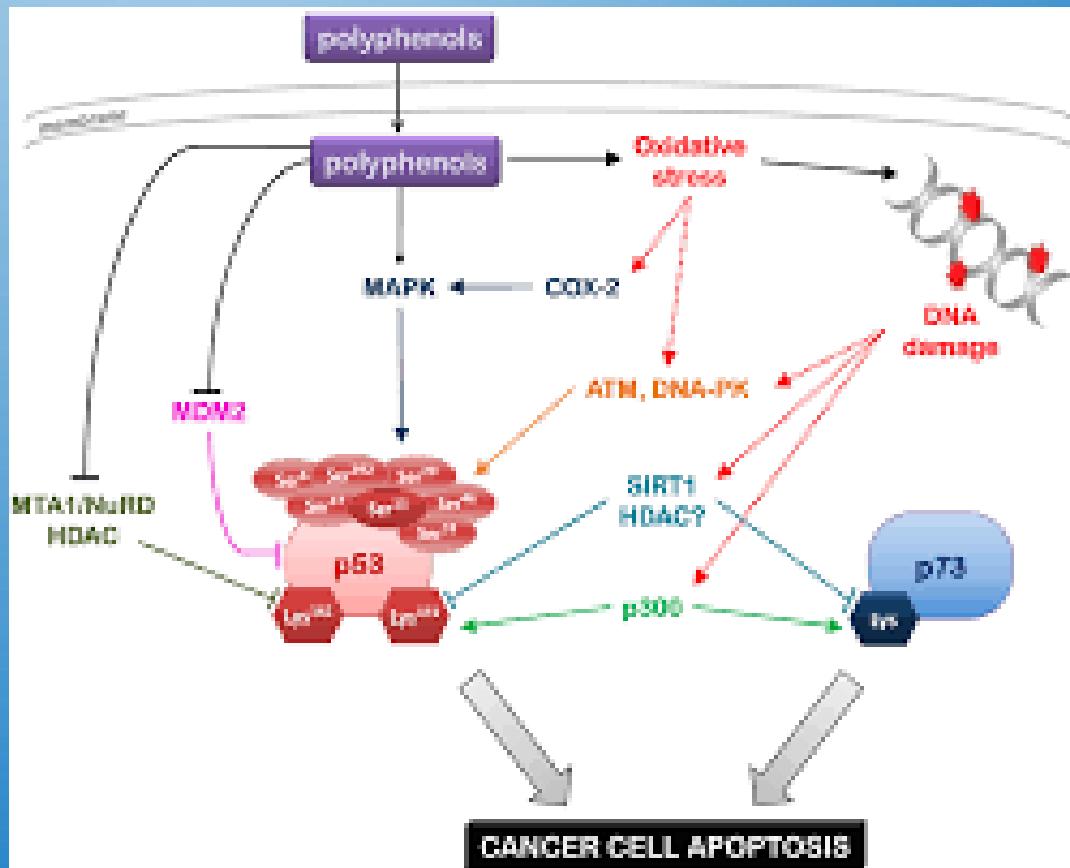
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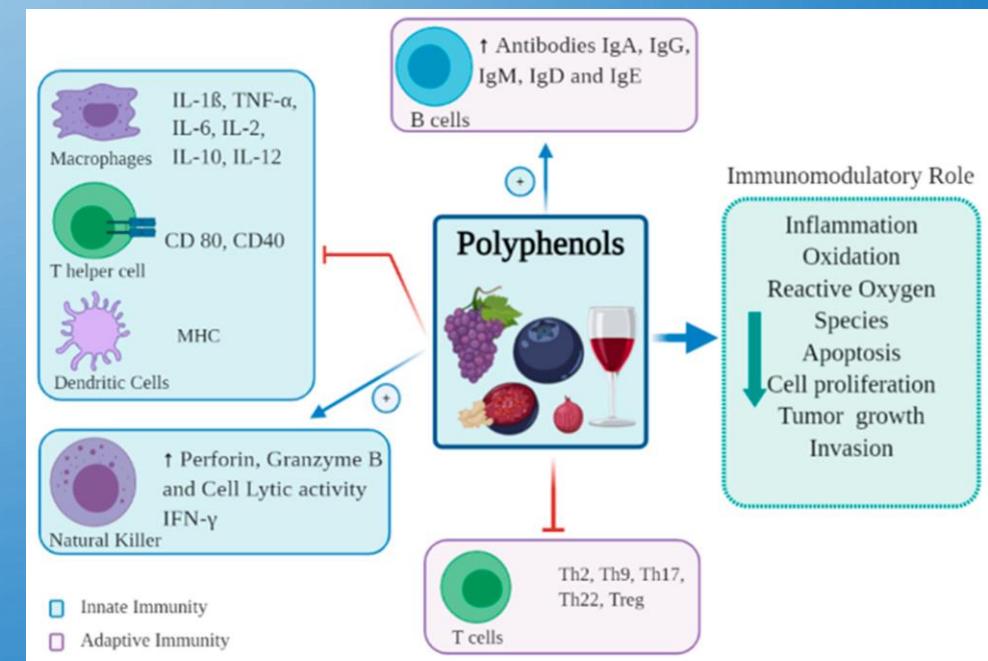
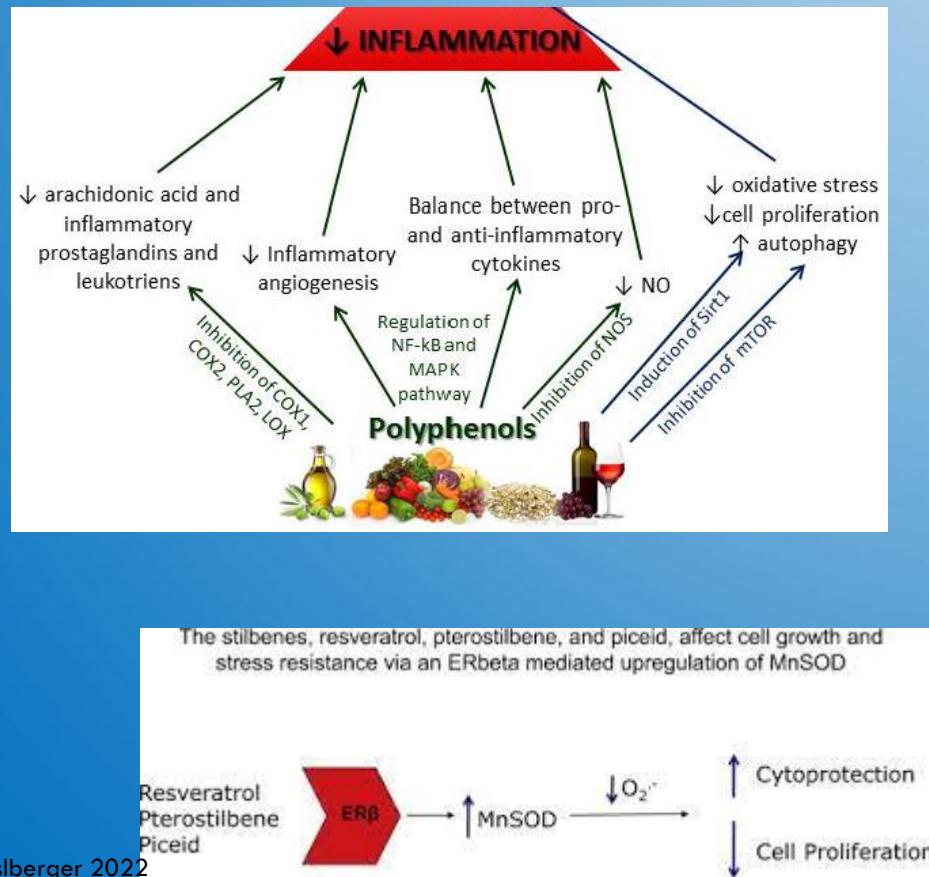


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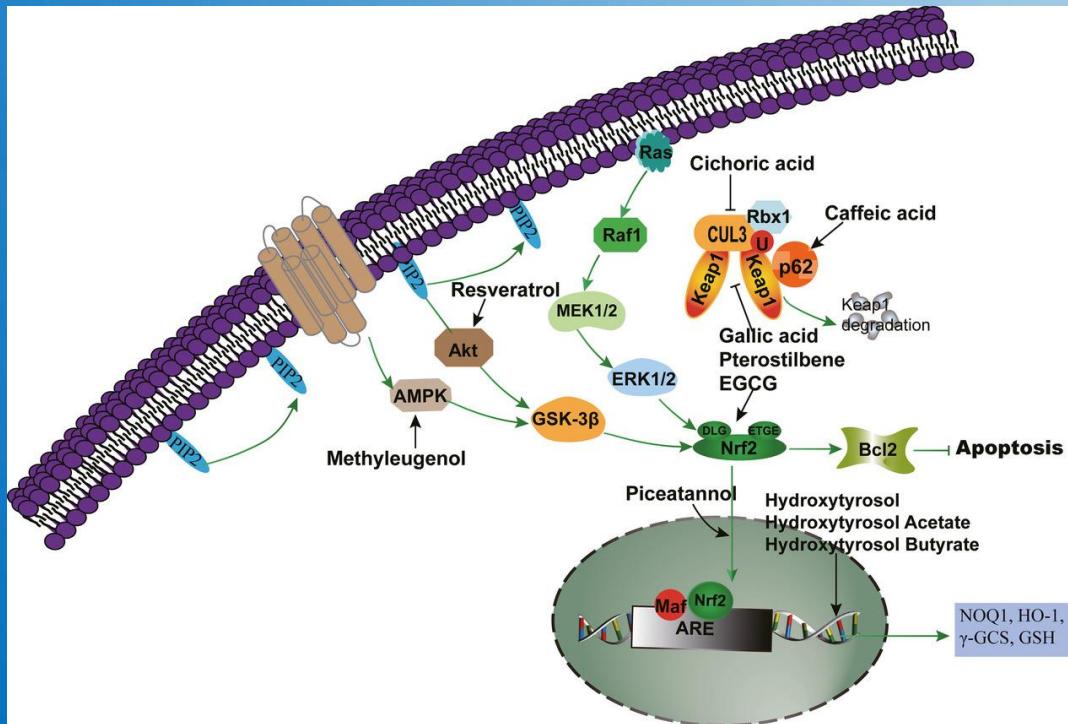


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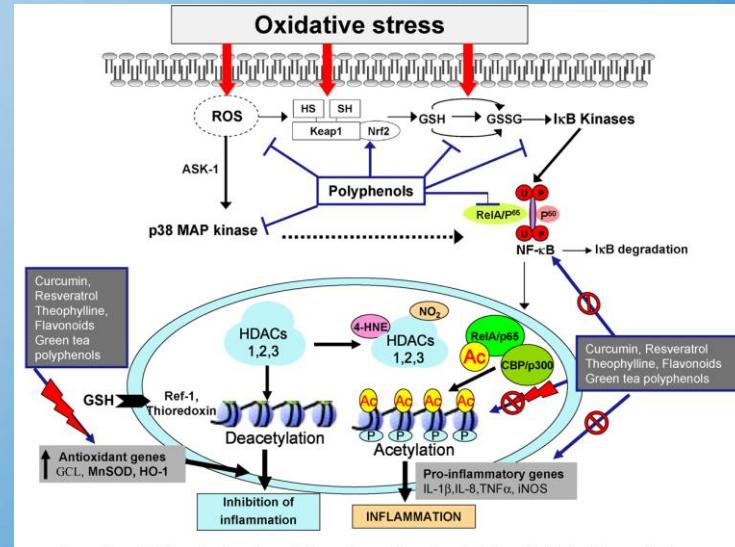
# POLYPHENOLS AND INFLAMMATION:



# POLYPHENOLS AND NRF2



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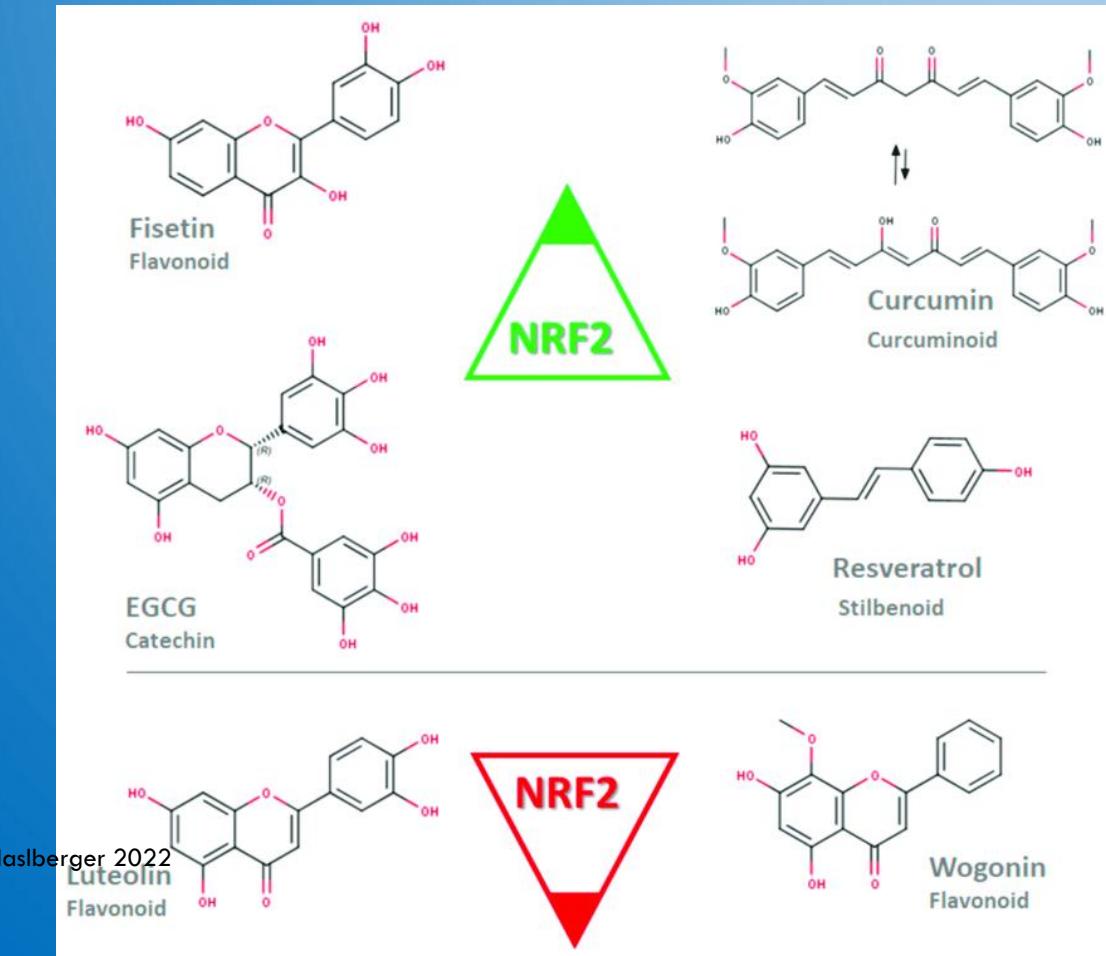


## Therapeutic targeting of the NRF2 and KEAP1 partnership in chronic diseases

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**Abstract** | The transcription factor NF-E2 p45-related factor 2 (NRF2; encoded by *NFE2L2*) and its principal negative regulator, the E3 ligase adaptor Kelch-like ECH-associated protein 1 (KEAP1), are critical in the maintenance of redox, metabolic and protein homeostasis, as well as the regulation of inflammation. Thus, NRF2 activation provides cytoprotection against numerous pathologies including chronic diseases of the lung and liver; autoimmune, neurodegenerative and metabolic disorders; and cancer initiation. One NRF2 activator has received clinical approval and several electrophilic modifiers of the cysteine-based sensor KEAP1 and inhibitors of its interaction with NRF2 are now in clinical development. However, challenges regarding target

# NRF2 AGONISTS, ANTIAGONISTS



NRF2 (or NFE2L2) is a protein, naturally found within the body. Its job is to **help regulate the work of antioxidant proteins that can help protect against oxidative damage.**

This oxidative damage can be triggered by injury and inflammation and involves the production of free radicals.

# NOVEL FOODS, FUNCTIONAL FOODS AND EPIGENETICS

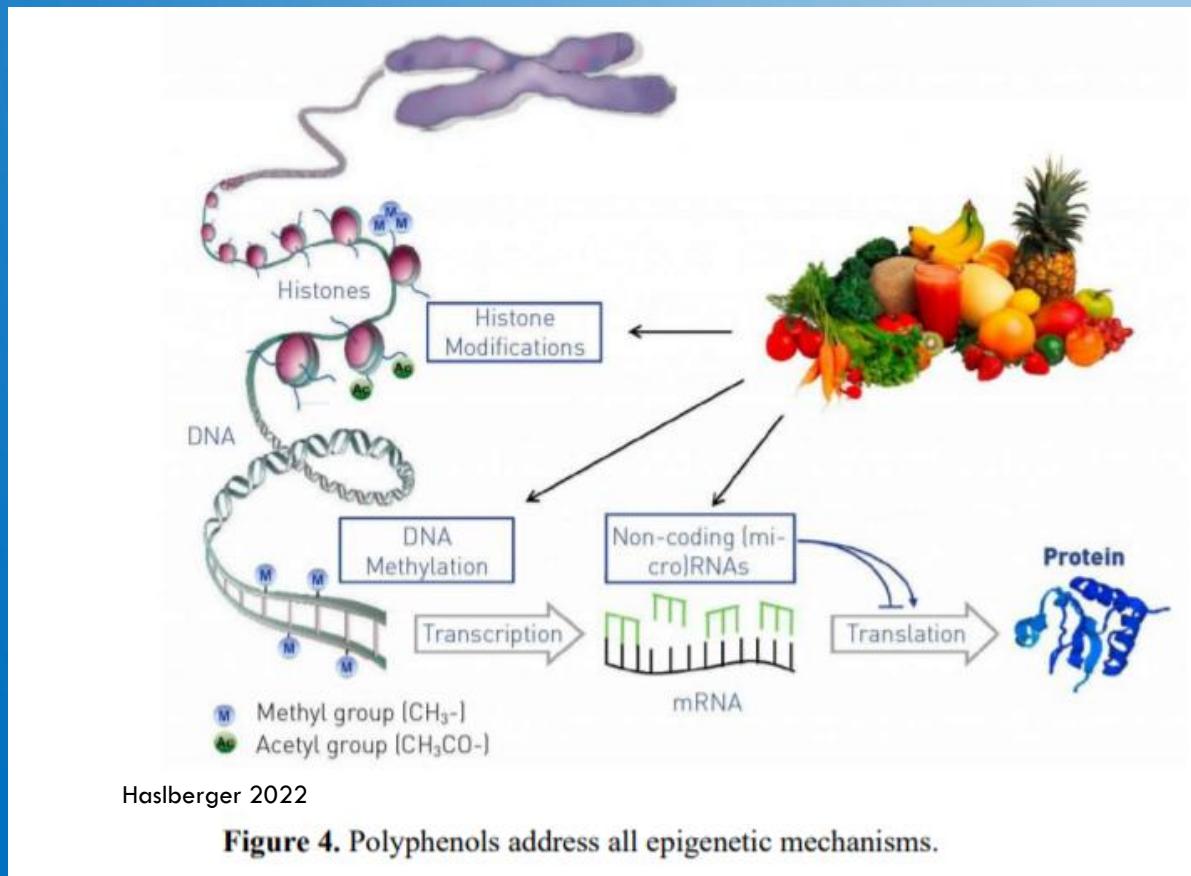
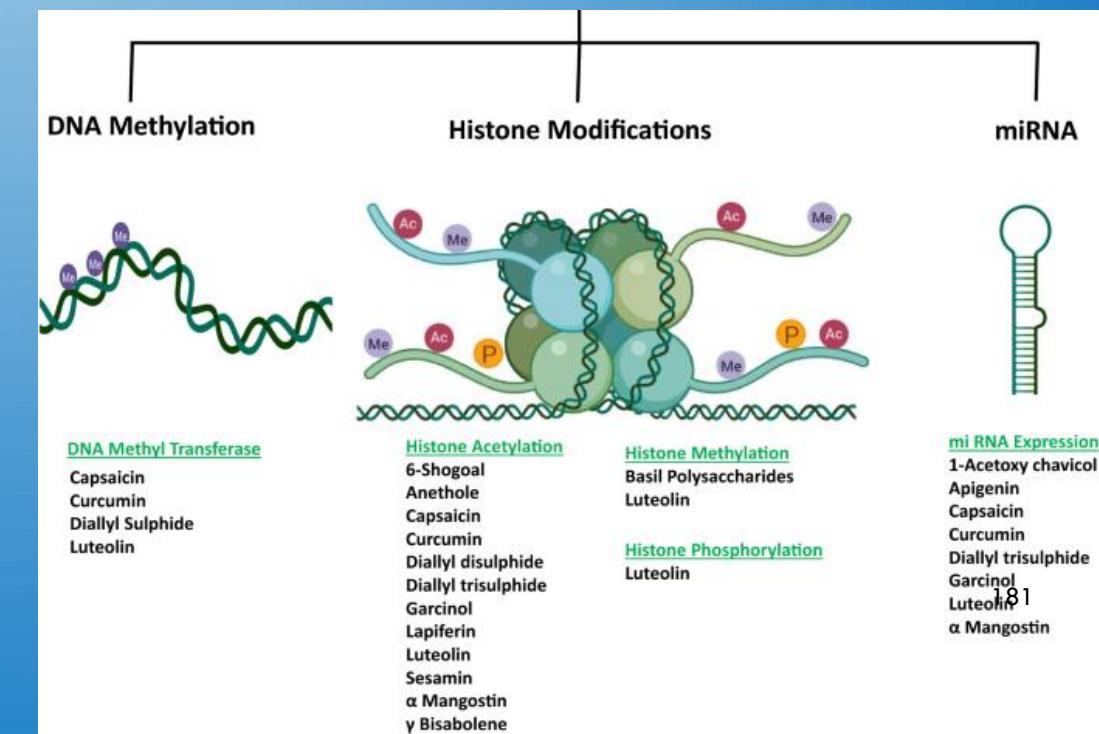
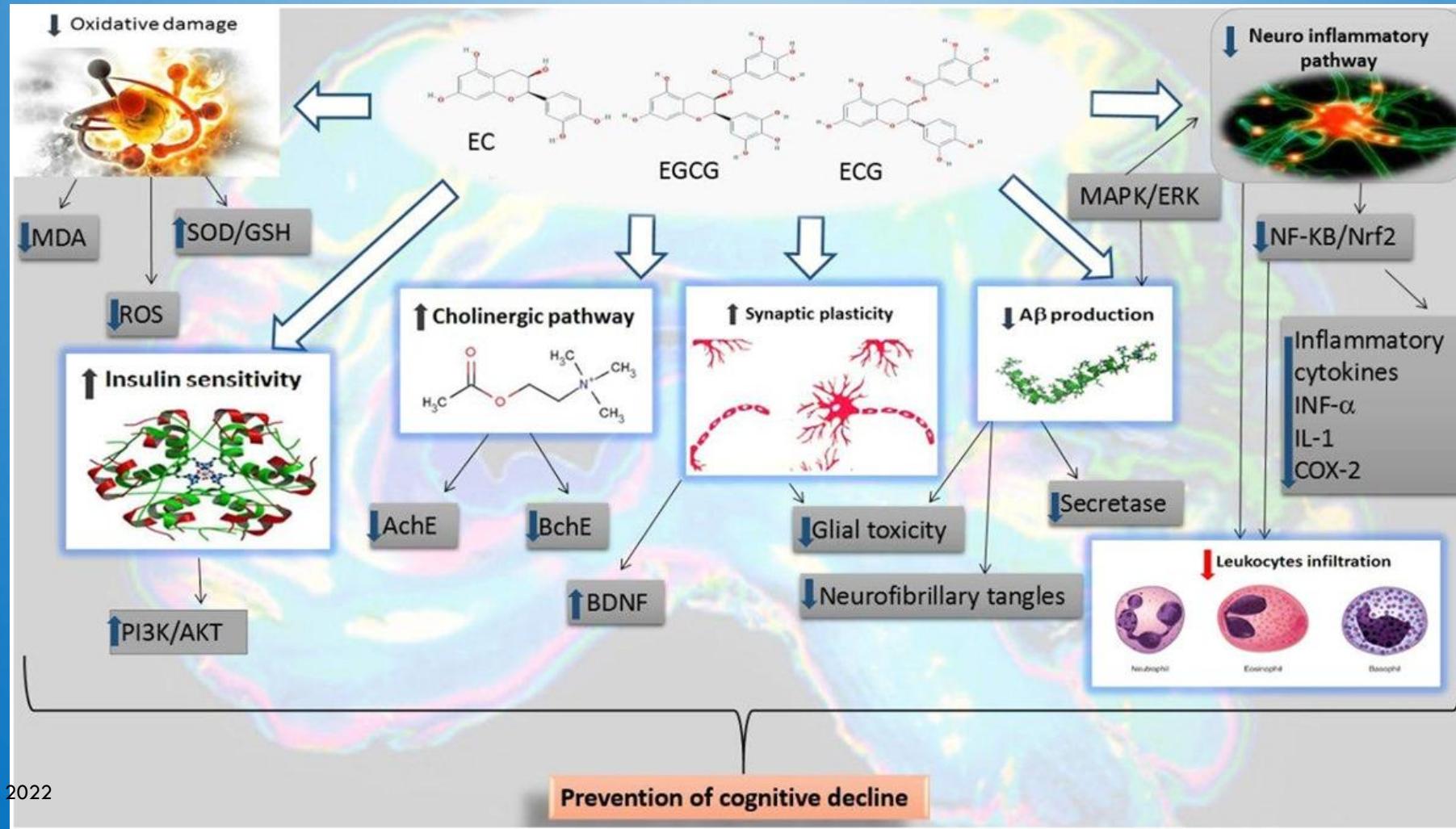


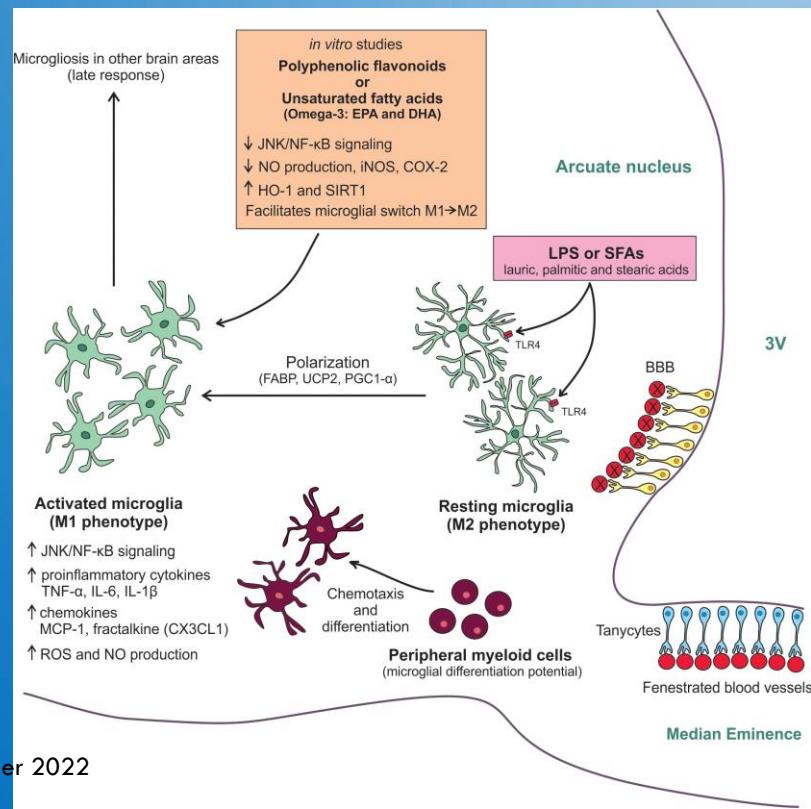
Figure 4. Polyphenols address all epigenetic mechanisms.



# EGCG AND NEURO- INFLAMMATION, COGNITIVE DECLINE



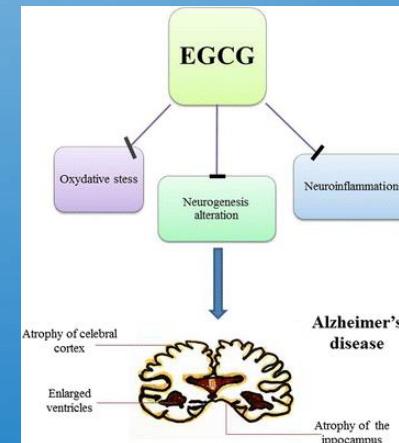
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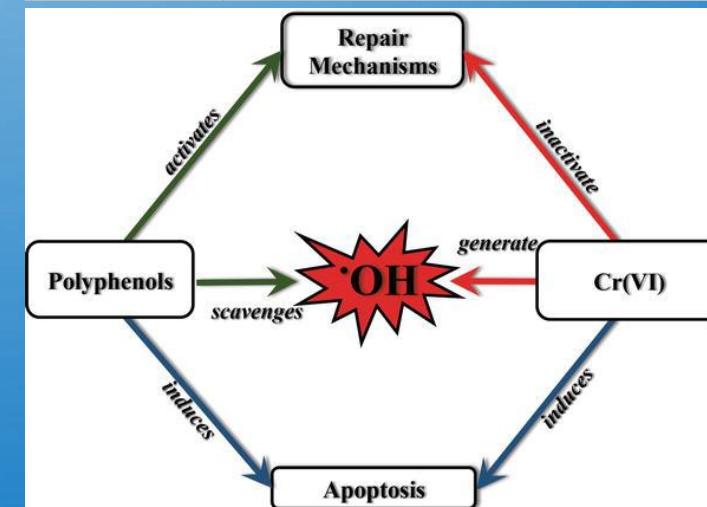
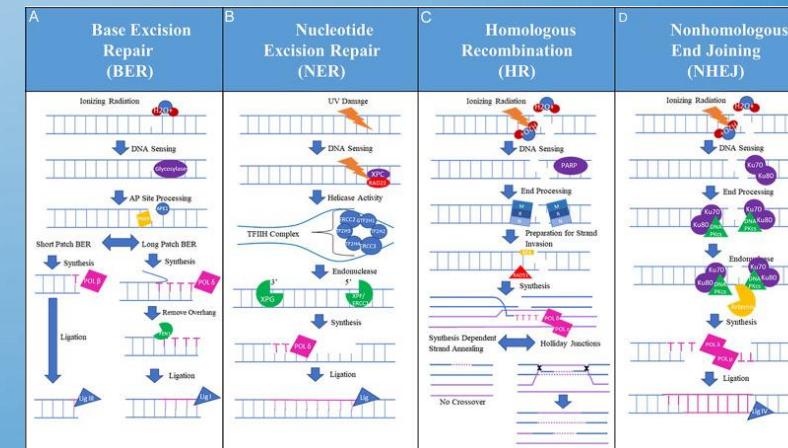
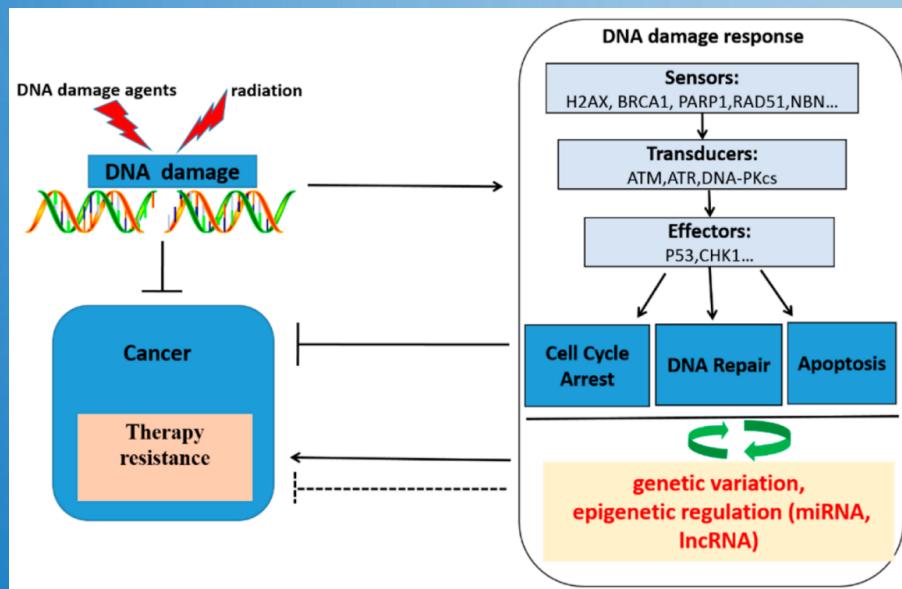
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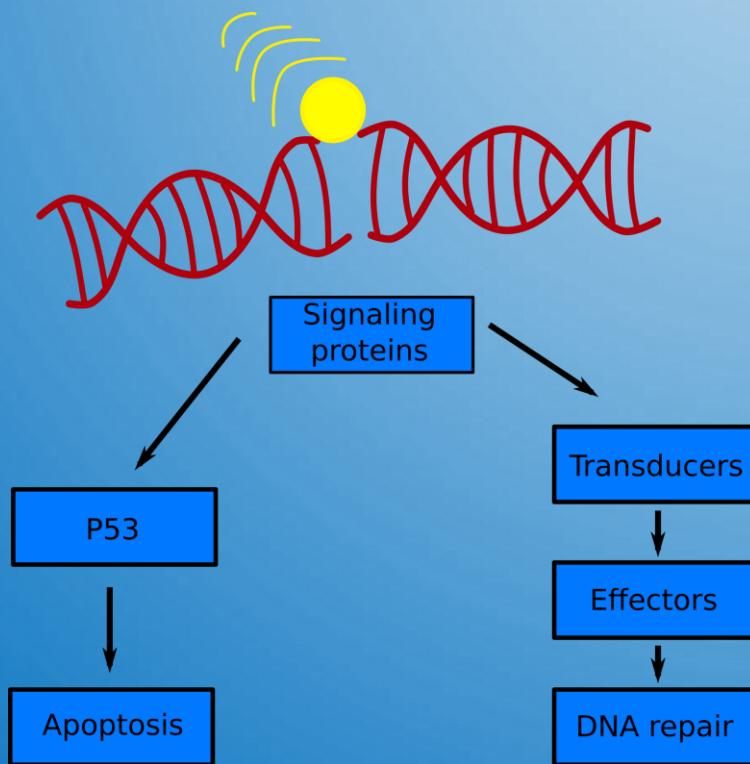
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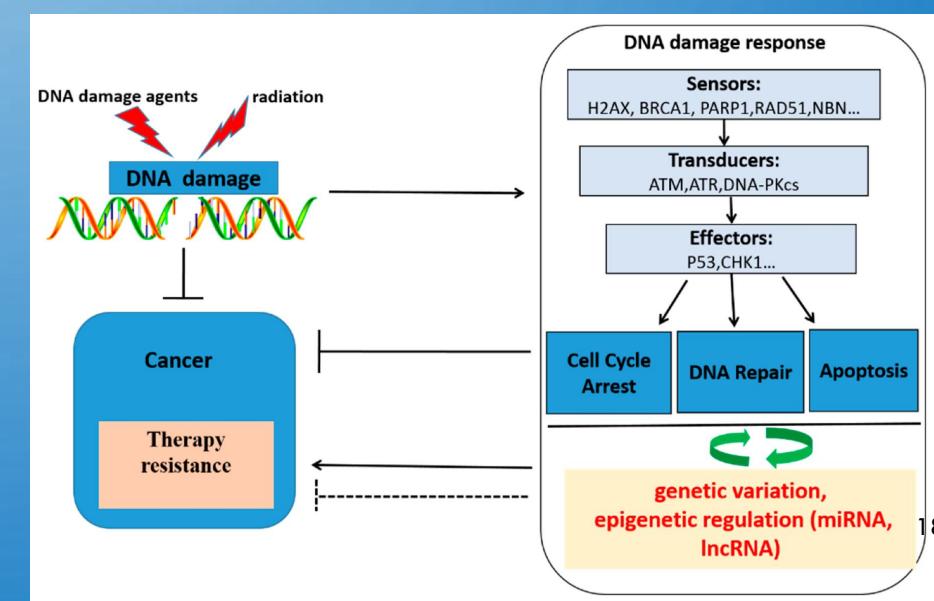
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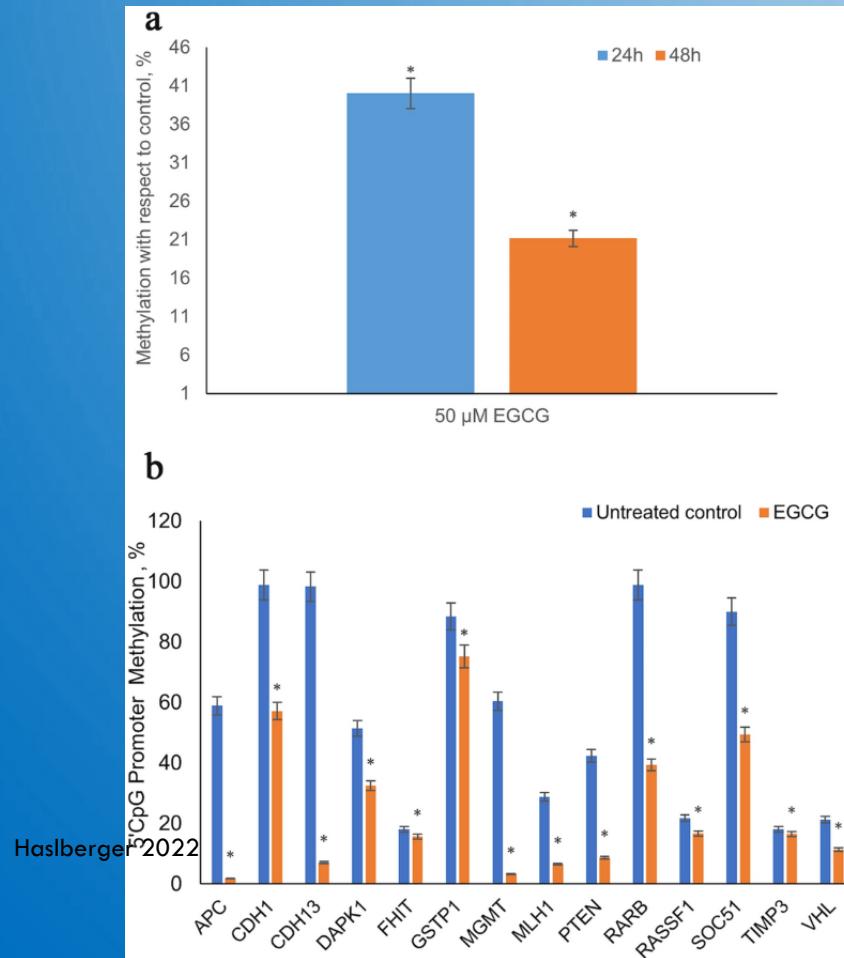


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# MGMT AND MLH1 DNA REPAIR ENYMES AND PROMOTOR METHYLATION, EGCG



# HIGH FAT MICE: EGCG REDUCES ROS INDUCED DNA BREAKS, INCREASES DNA REPAIR ENZYME MLH1 AND IMPROVED DYSBALANCED GI- MICROBIOTA

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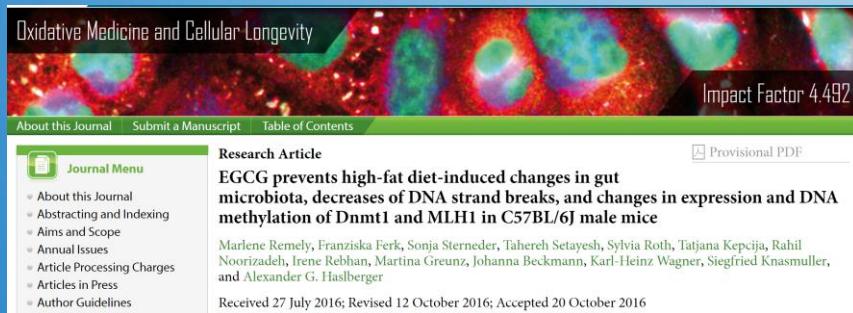
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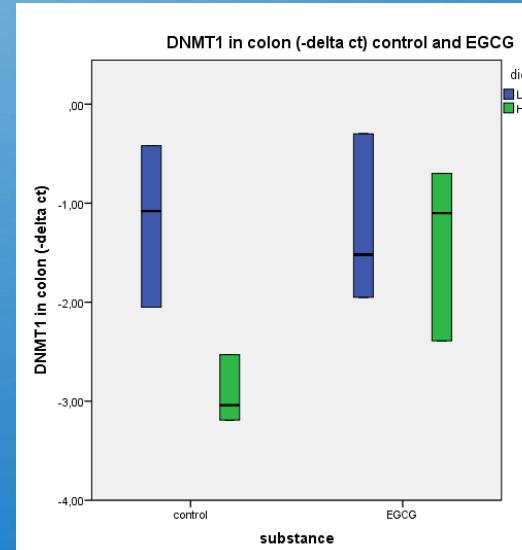
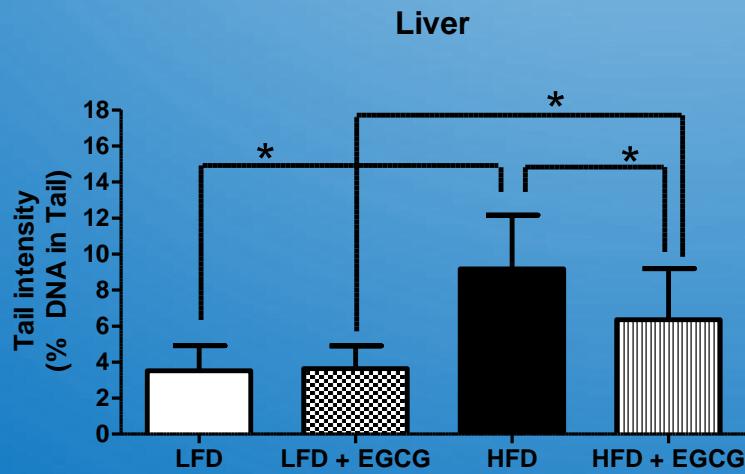
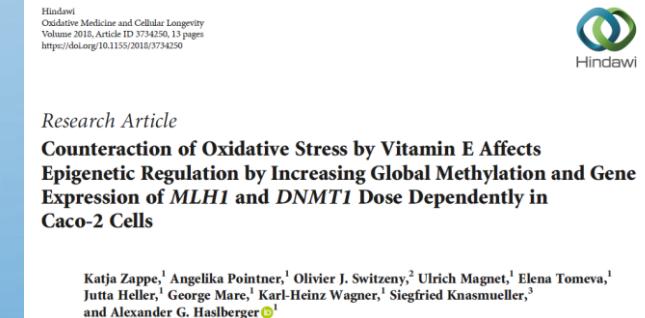
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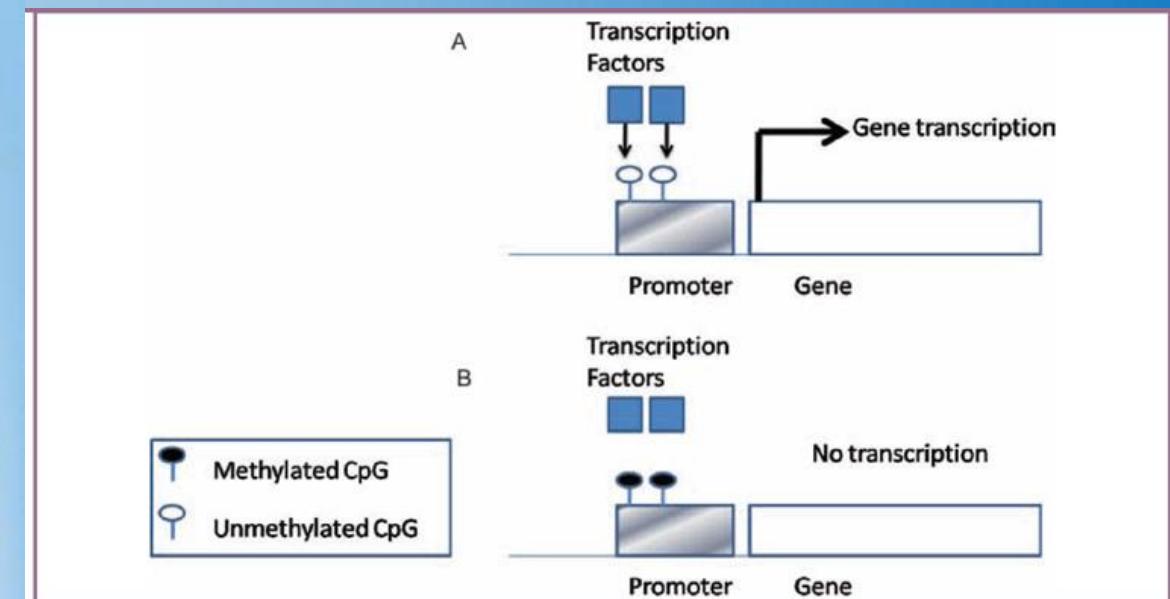
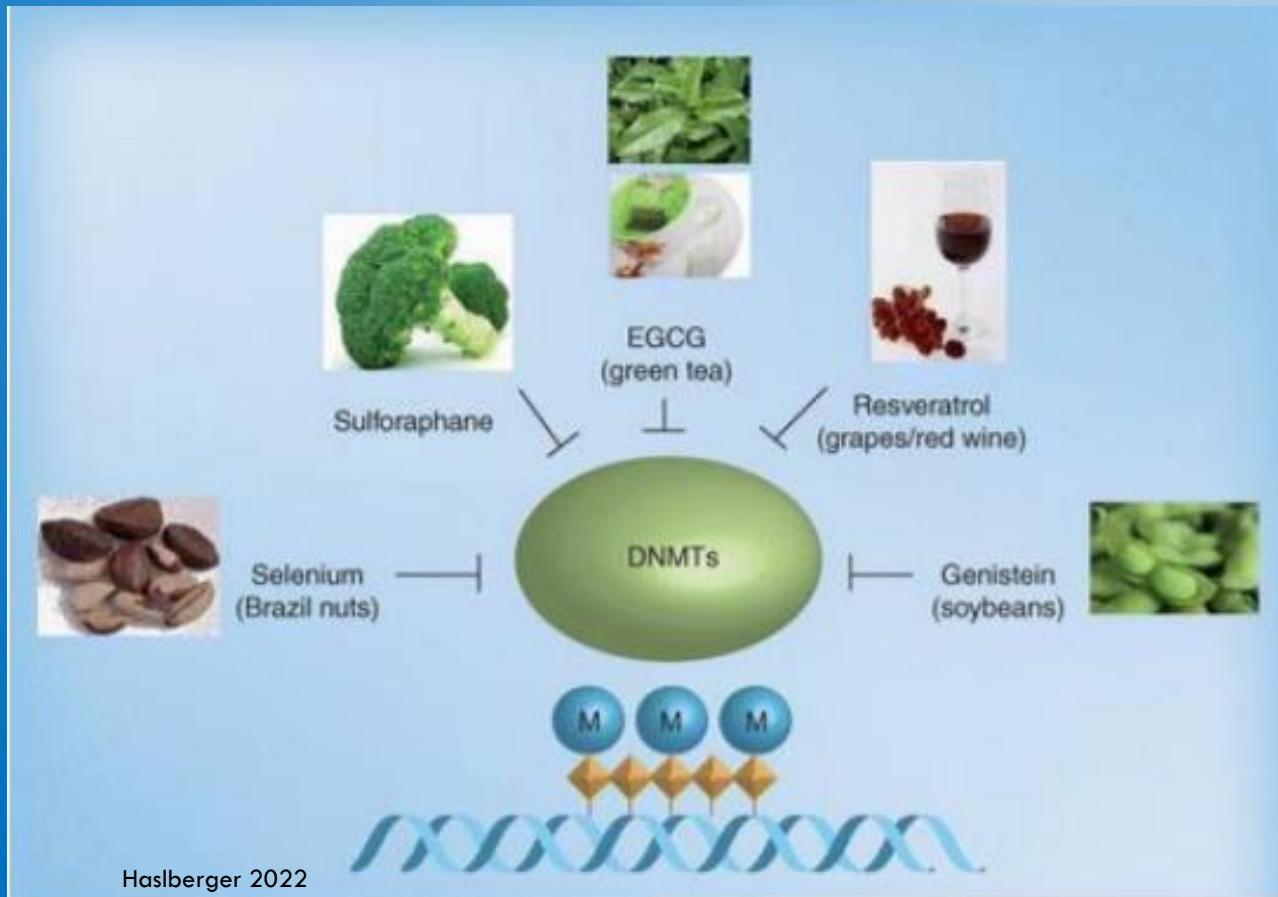
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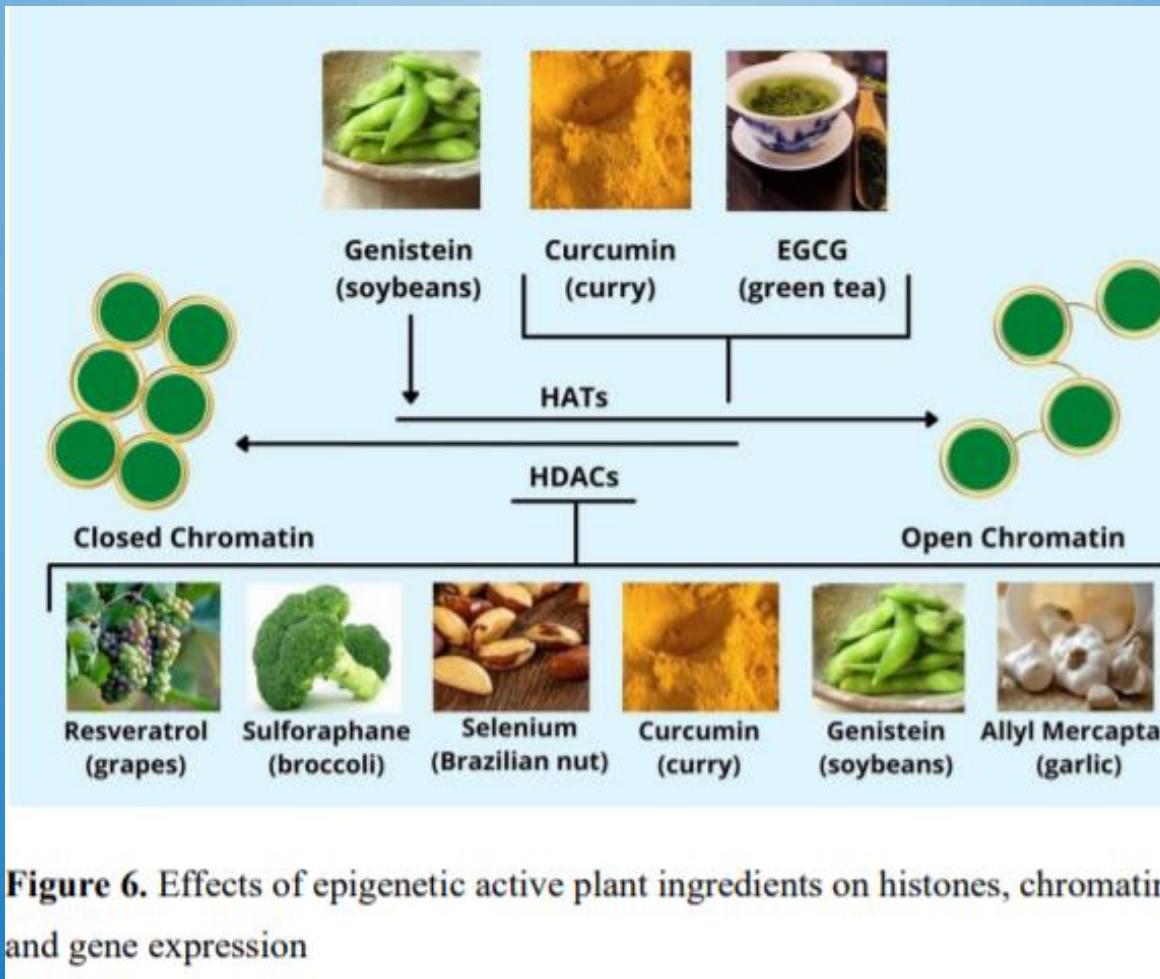
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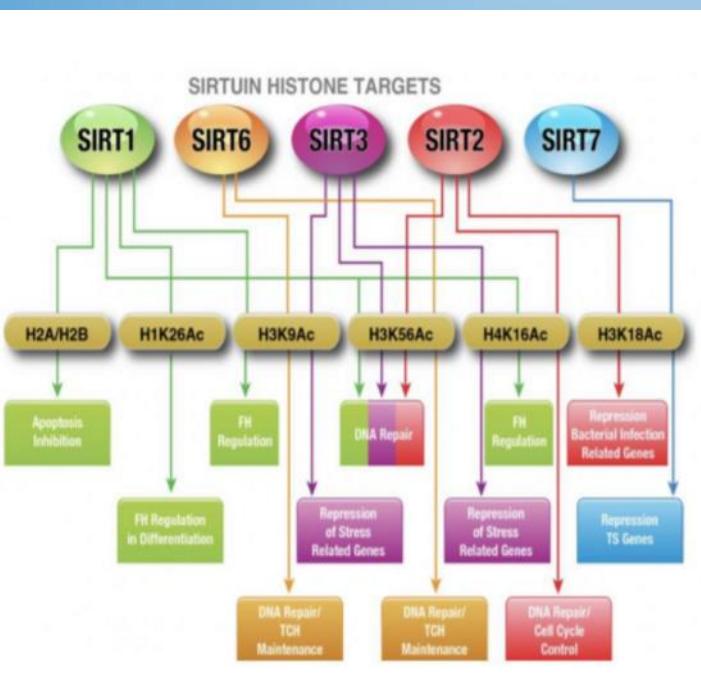


# EFFECTS ON HISTONES, CHROMATIN



# HISTONES, ACETYLASES, DEACETYLASES, SIRTUINS, NAD

Sirtfood	Major Sirtuin-Activating Nutrients
Bird's-eye chilli	Luteolin, Myricetin
Buckwheat	Rutin
Capers	Kaempferol, Quercetin
Celery, including its leaves	Apigenin, Luteolin
Cocos	Epicatechin
Coffee	Caffeic acid, Chlorogenic acid
Extra virgin olive oil	Oleuropein, Hydroxytyrosol
Green tea (especially matcha green tea)	Epicgalocatechin gallate (EGCG)
Kale	Kaempferol, Quercetin
Lovage	Quercetin
Medjool dates	Gallic acid, Caffeic acid
Parsley	Apigenin, Myricetin
Red chicory	Luteolin
Red onion	Quercetin
Red wine	Resveratrol, Piceatannol
Rocket	Quercetin, Kaempferol
Soy	Daidzein, Formononetin
Strawberries	Fisetin
Turmeric	Curcumin
Walnuts	Gallic acid



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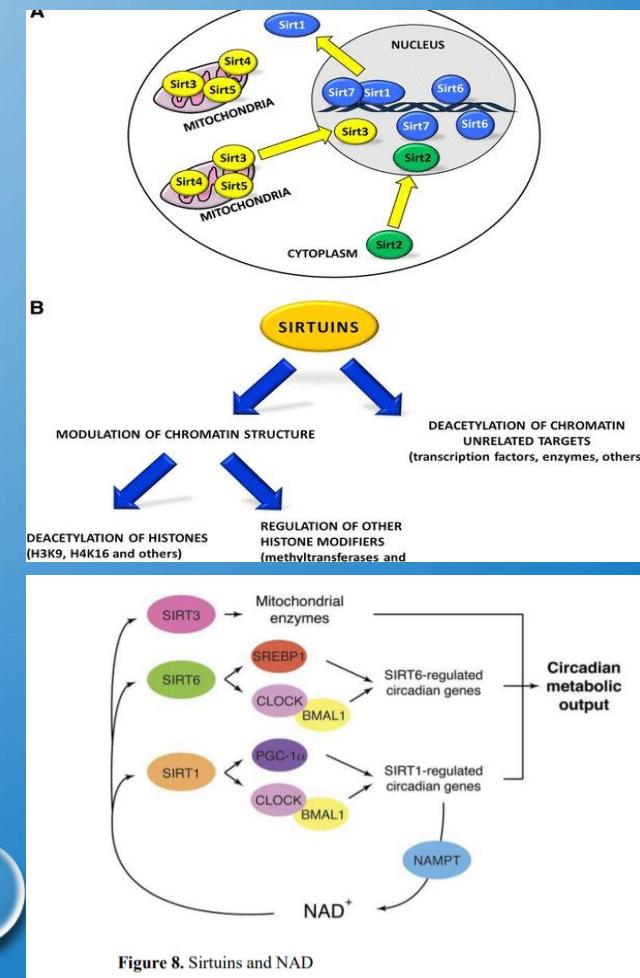


Figure 8. Sirtuins and NAD

# SIRTUINS



## TOP 20 SIRTFoods

Bird's-eye chilli

Buckwheat

Capers

Celery

Cocoa

Coffee

Extra virgin olive oil

Green tea (especially matcha green tea)

Kale

Lovage

Medjool dates

Parsley

Red chicory

Red onion

Red wine

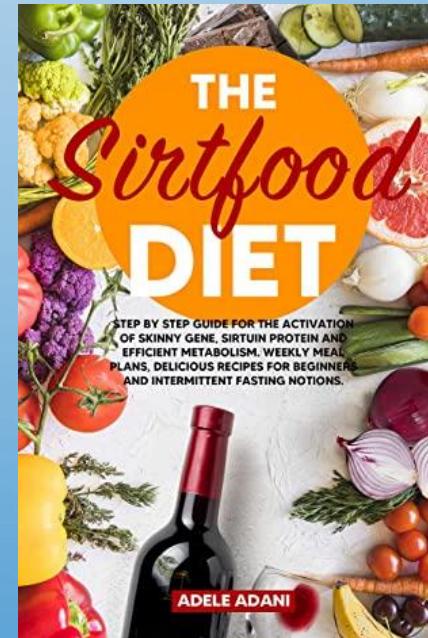
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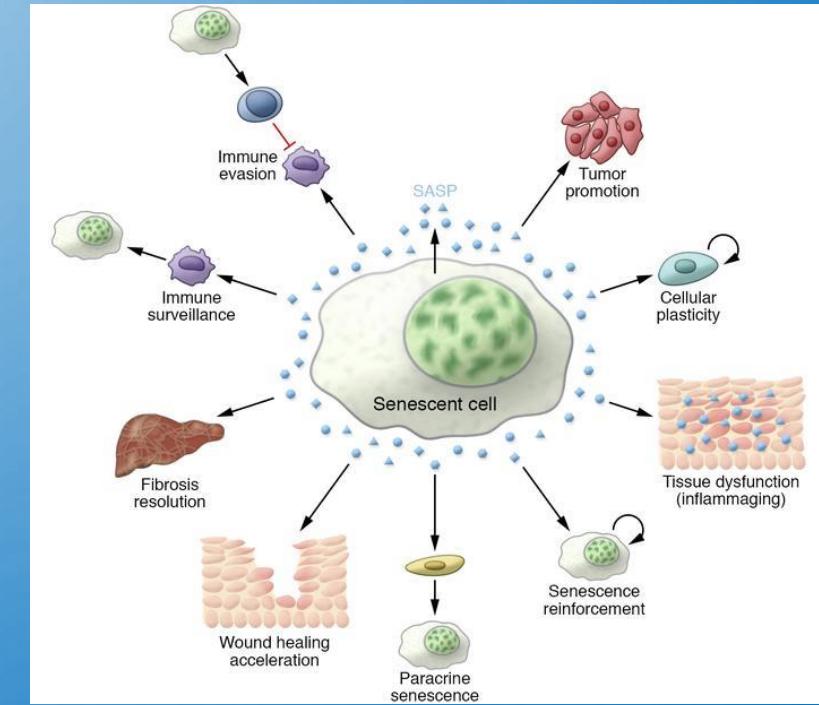
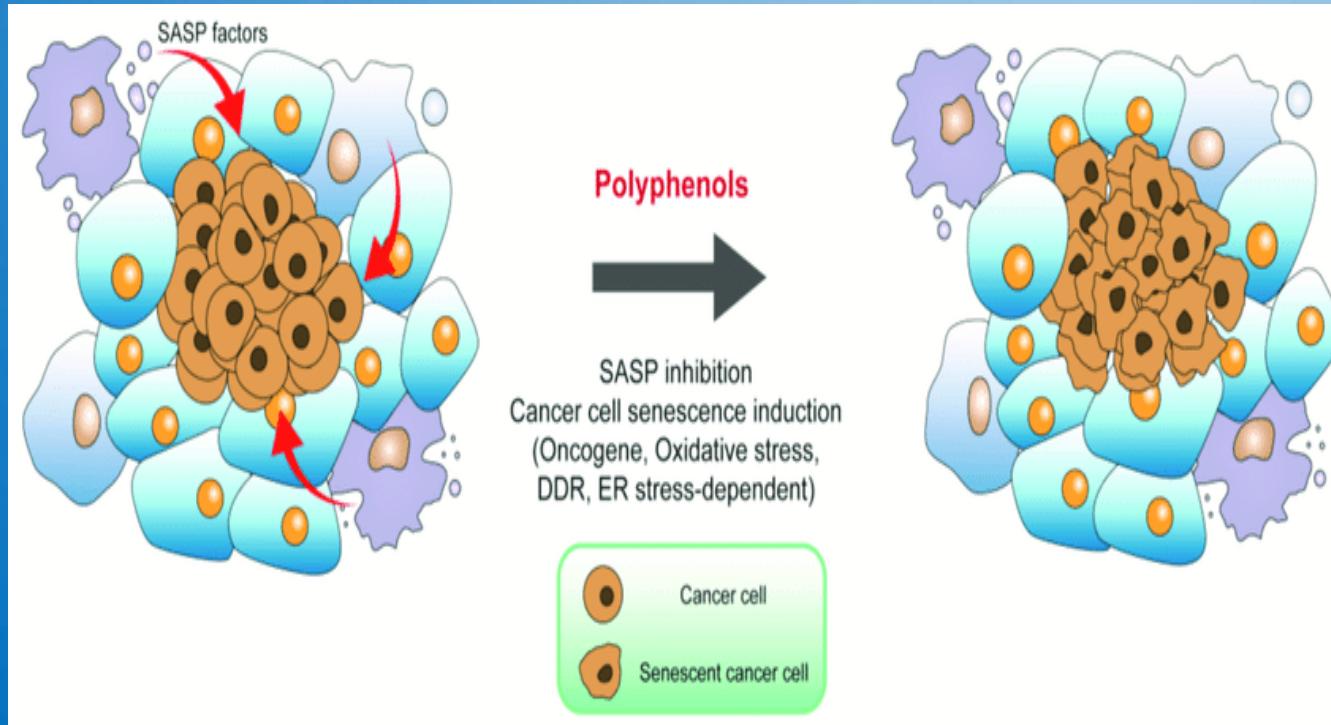
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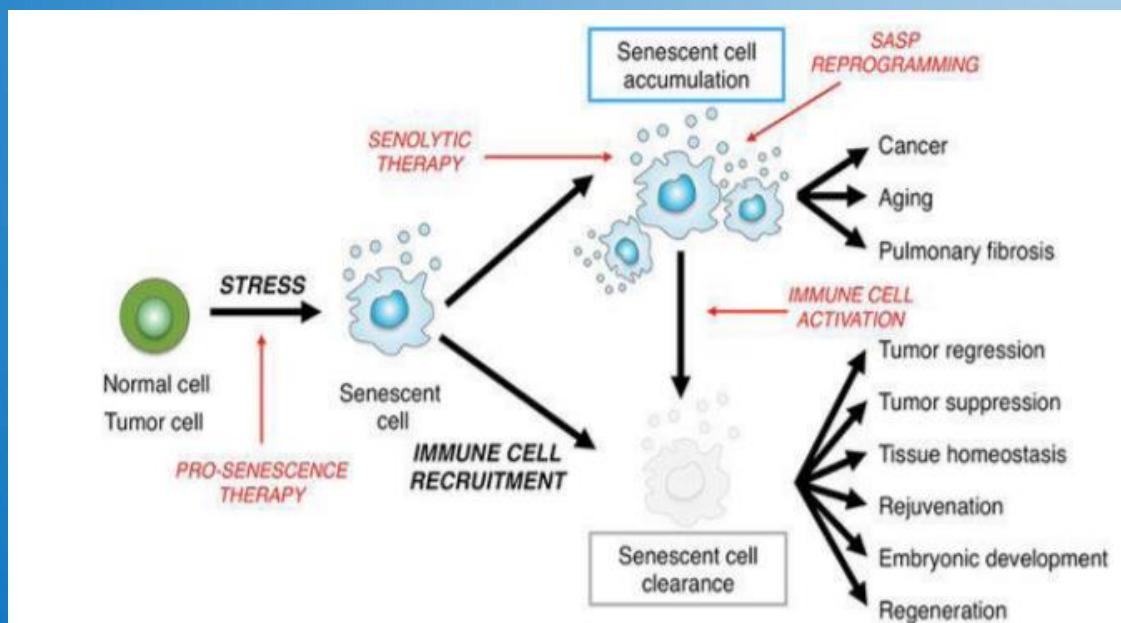
Increased Sirtuin expression, senescence regulating miRNAs, mtDNA, and bifidobacteria correlate with wellbeing and skin appearance after Sirtuin- activating drink

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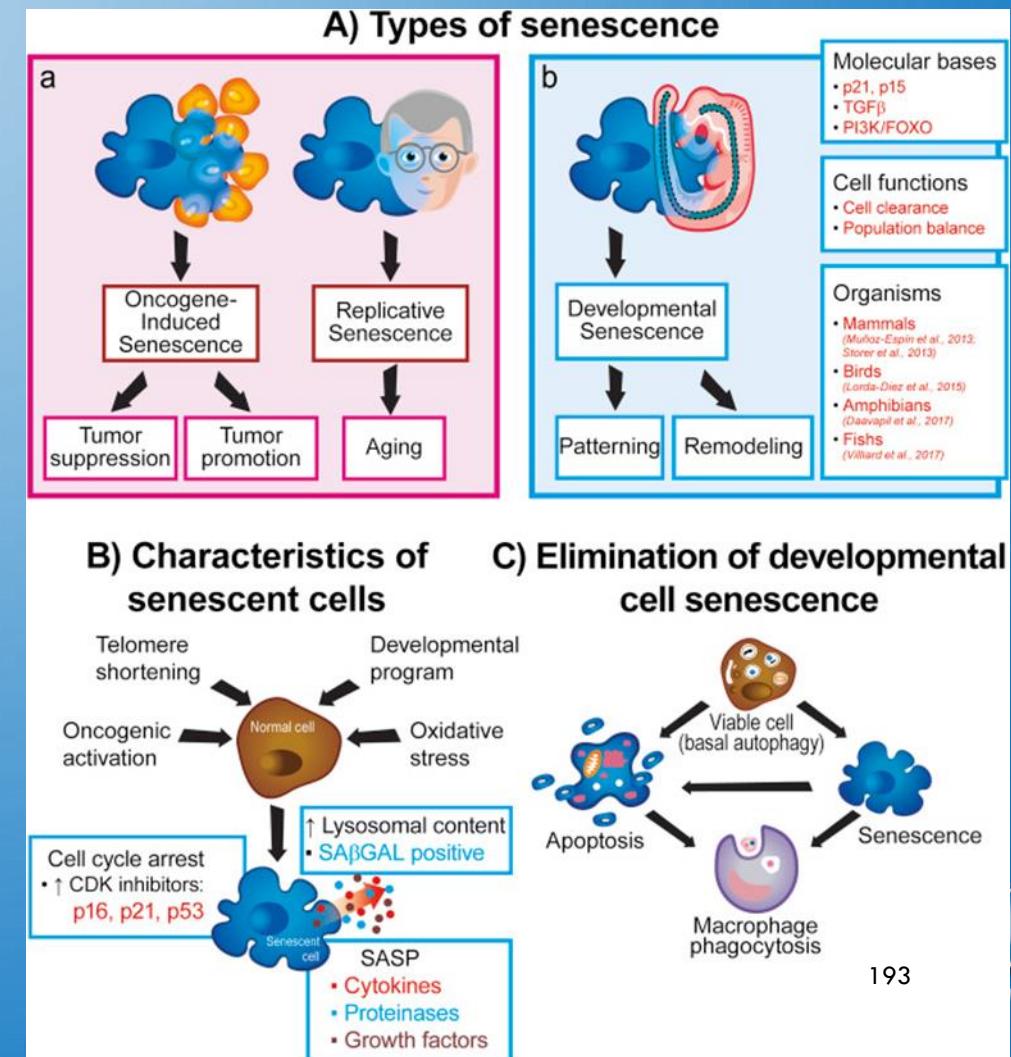
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# SENESCENCE AND POLYPHENOLS



**Figure 16.** Clearance of senescent cells and therapeutic options. Cellular senescence is more than an anti-proliferative program. Senescent cells secrete factors that constitute the senescence-associated secretory phenotype (SASP). Cellular senescence is followed by senescent cell clearance within those processes that are considered beneficial. However, if the elimination of senescent cells does not occur, senescent cells accumulate and can lead to cancer and aging. Different therapeutic strategies (in red) can be used to exploit the beneficial aspects of cellular senescence and repress the negative ones [150].



# POLYPHENOLS AND SENESCENCE

Review

## Natural Polyphenols Targeting Senescence: A Novel Prevention and Therapy Strategy for Cancer

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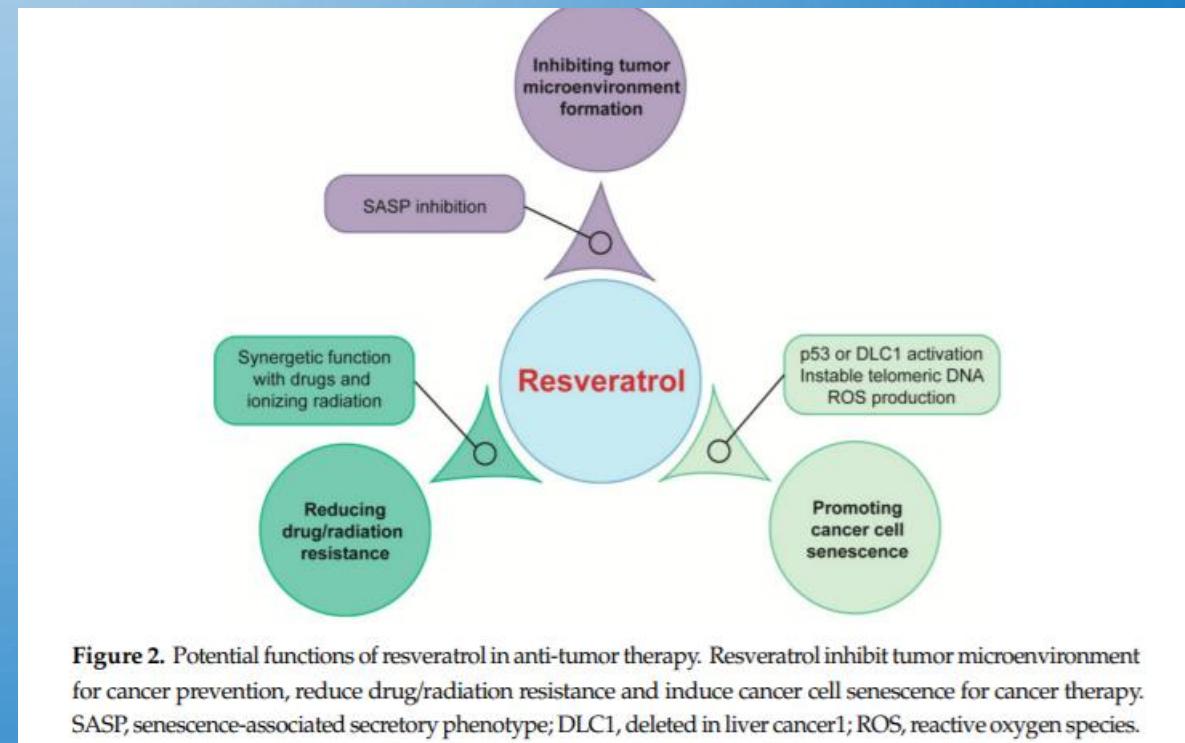
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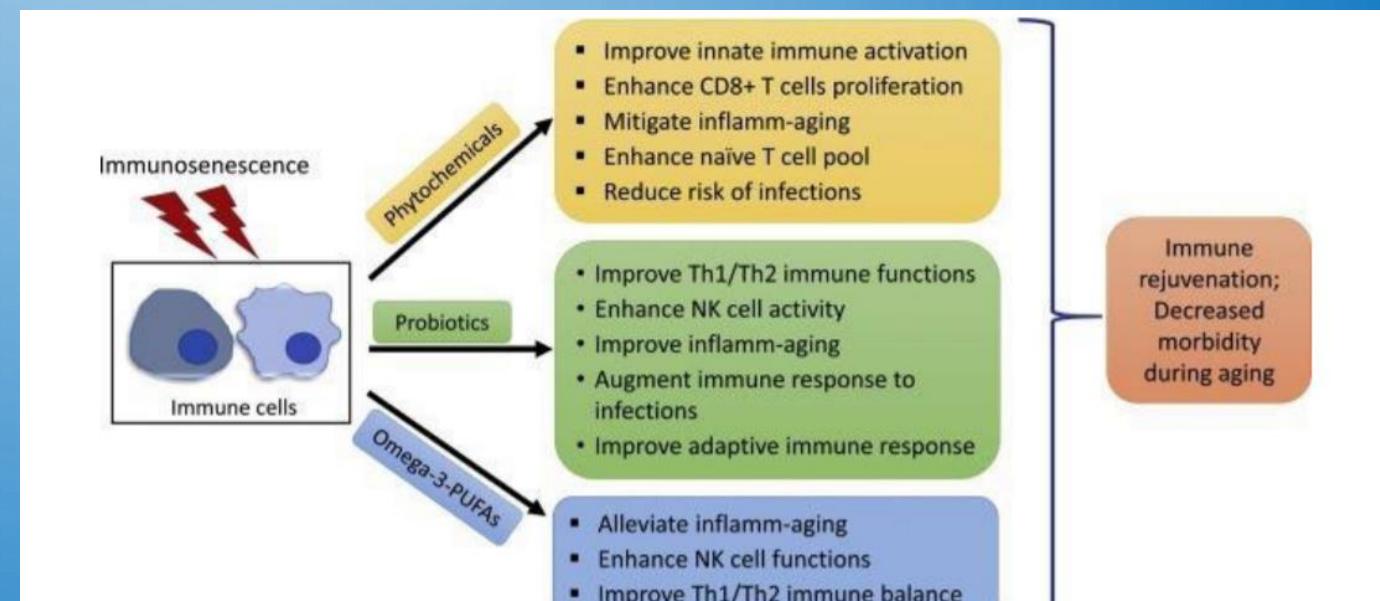
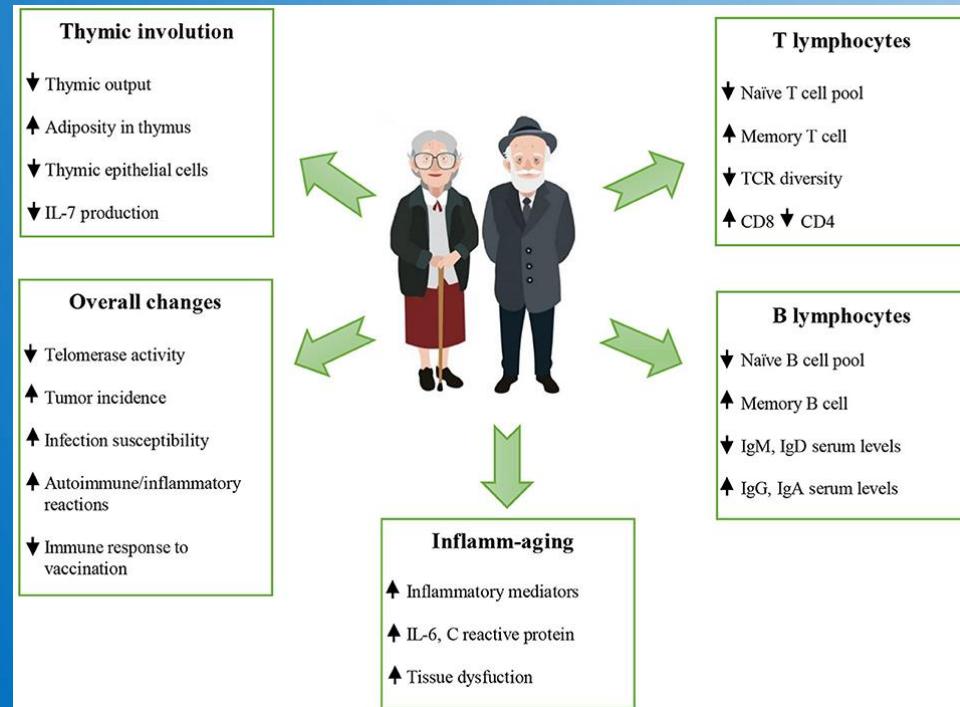
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**Abstract:** Cancer is one of the most serious diseases endangering human health. In view of the side effects caused by chemotherapy and radiotherapy, it is necessary to develop low-toxic anti-cancer compounds. Polyphenols are natural compounds with anti-cancer properties and their application is a considerable choice. Pro-senescence therapy is a recently proposed anti-cancer strategy and has been shown to effectively inhibit cancer. It is of great significance to clarify the mechanisms of polyphenols on tumor suppression by inducing senescence. In this review, we delineated the characteristics of



# IMMUNO SENESCENCE AND NUTRACEUTICALS



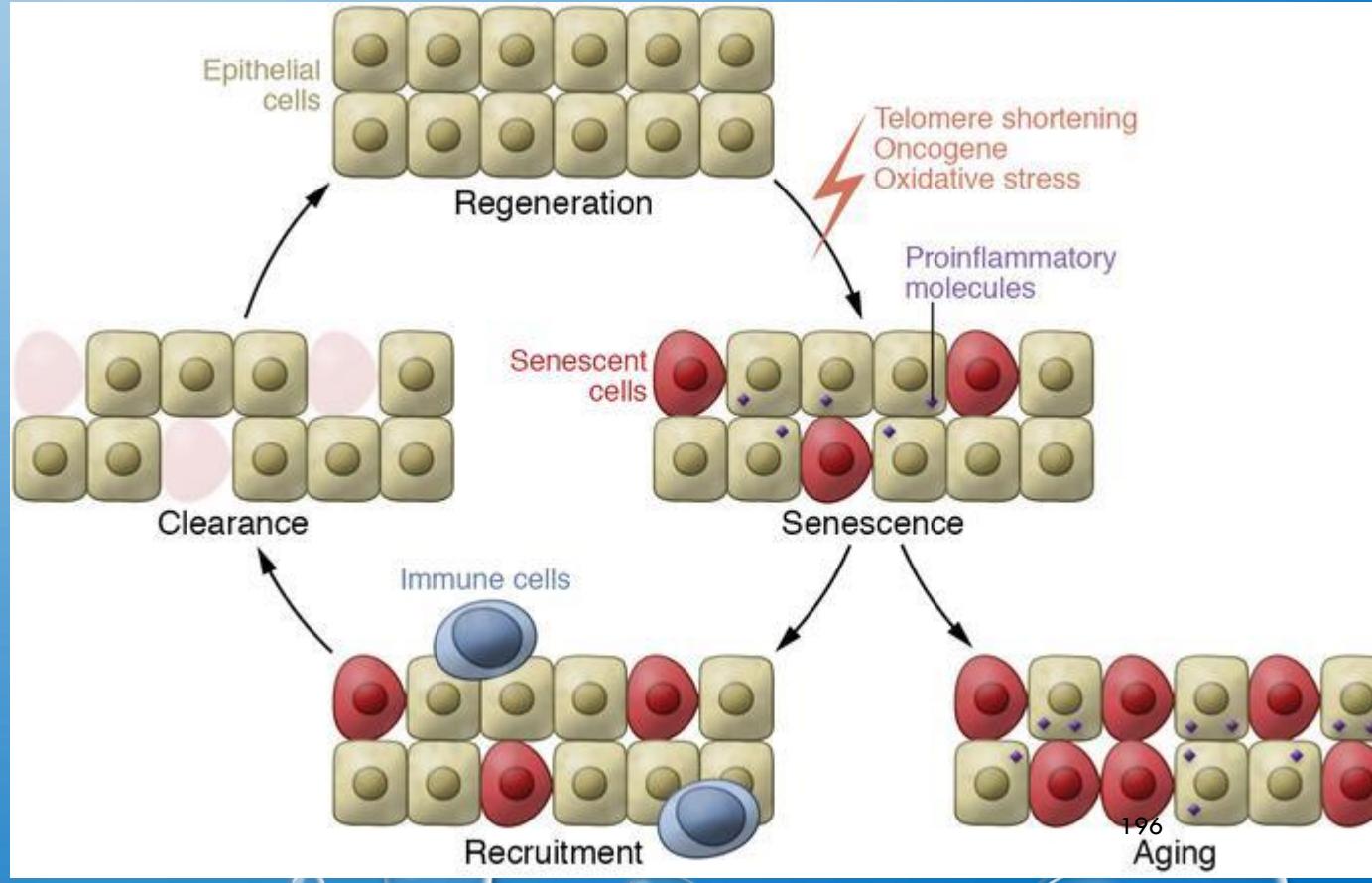
**Figure 13.** Nutraceuticals-Based Immunotherapeutic Concepts and Opportunities for the Mitigation of Cellular Senescence and Aging

# POLYPHENOLS JUVENATION OF TISSUES AND CANCER PREVENTION

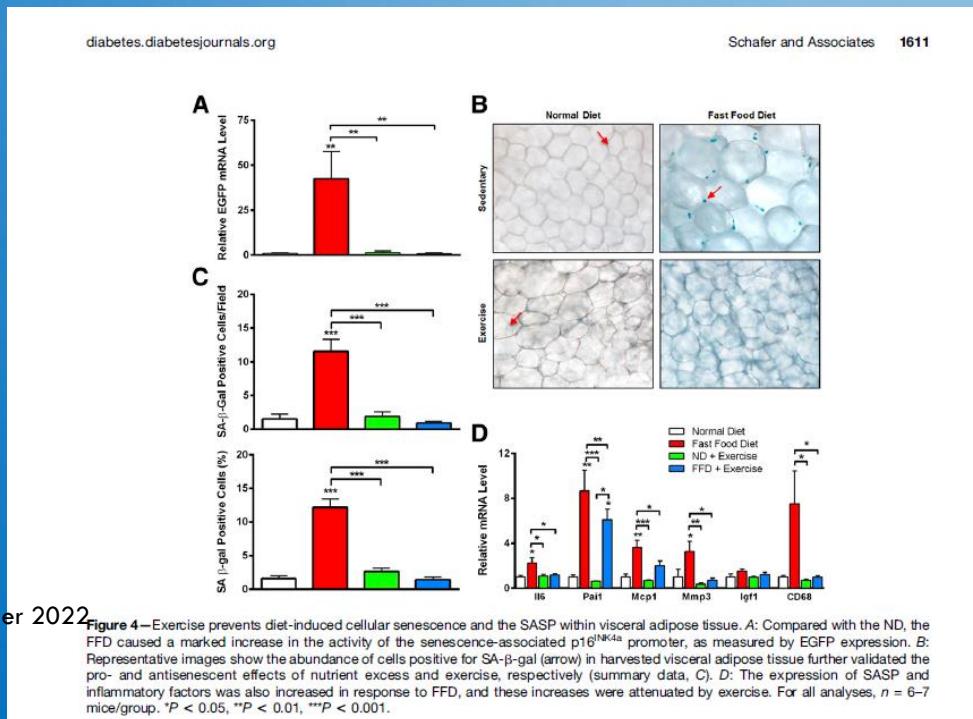
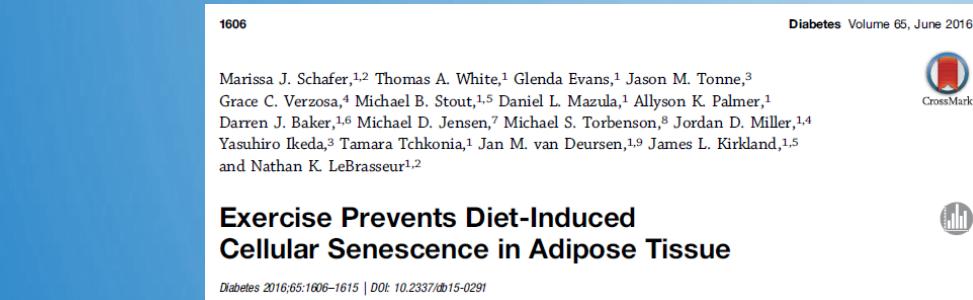
Table 1. Polyphenols and polyphenol derivatives as cancer cell senescence inducers and their effect on

Classification	Compounds	Concentration	Pathways
Resveratrol and its derivatives	Resveratrol	25/50 ( $\mu$ M)	p53/CXCR2
		50 ( $\mu$ M)	BRCA1/DDR
		30 ( $\mu$ M)	ROS/DDR
		100 ( $\mu$ M)	ROS/DLC1/SASP
		6/20 ( $\mu$ M)	Histone H2B
		100 ( $\mu$ M)	Pokemon
		25/50 ( $\mu$ M)	SIRT1
	Pterostilbene	50 ( $\mu$ M)	Rictor/RhoA-GTPase
		2.5/5/50 ( $\mu$ M)	hTERT/DDR
		10 ( $\mu$ M)	p16/Rb
Flavonoids	3,3',4,4'-tetrahydroxy-trans-stilbene	10/50/100 ( $\mu$ M)	ROS DDR
	Quercetin	50/100/200 ( $\mu$ M)	RAS/MAPK/ERK PI3K/AKT
	Beta-naphthoflavone	10 ( $\mu$ M)	PI3K/AKT/cyclinD1/D3 MAPK/ERK
	Baicalin	10/20/40 ( $\mu$ M)	DEPP/RAS/Raf/MEK/ERK DEPP/p16/Rb
	IdB 1016	63.2/126.5 ( $\mu$ g/mL)	HER-2/neu p53
	Diosmin	5/10 ( $\mu$ M)	ROS DDR
	Apigenin	Above 25 ( $\mu$ M)	ROS/RNS p16/cyclin D1/p-Rb p21/cyclin E/p-Rb
	Coumestrol	50 ( $\mu$ M)	CKII/ROS/p53/p21
	Rotenone	0.4 ( $\mu$ M)	Ca <sup>2+</sup> /ROS
	Epigallocatechin gallate	10 ( $\mu$ M)	DDR
	Oroxin A	5/10/15/20 ( $\mu$ M)	p38/ER stress
	Cristacarpin	1 ( $\mu$ M)	p38/ER stress/ROS/p21
	Flavokawain B	3 ( $\mu$ g/mL)	ATF4/DDIT3/TRIB3/Akt/mTOR

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# EXERCISE INHIBITS SENESCENCE



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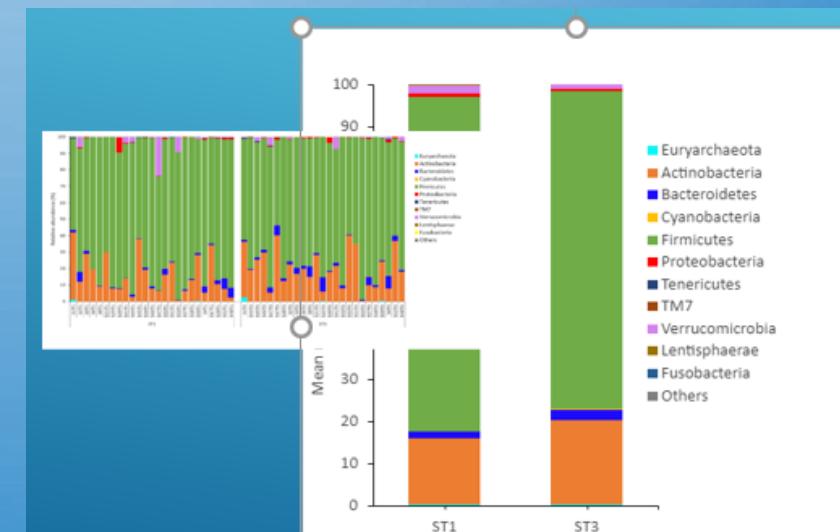
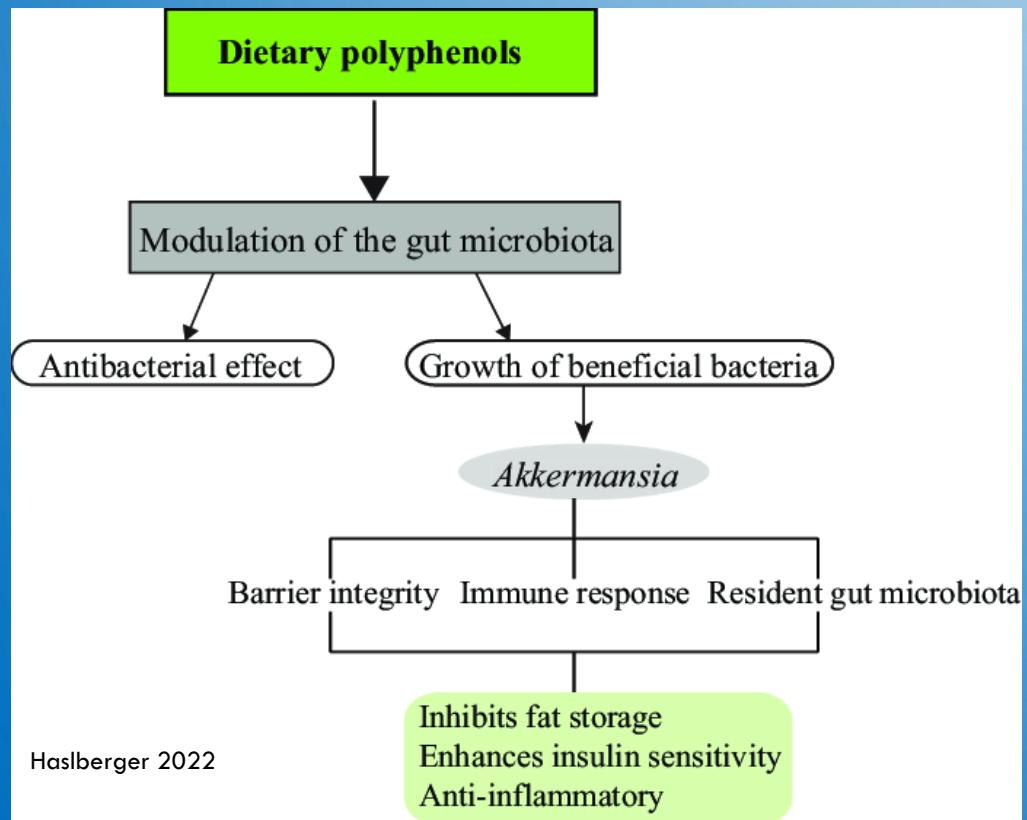
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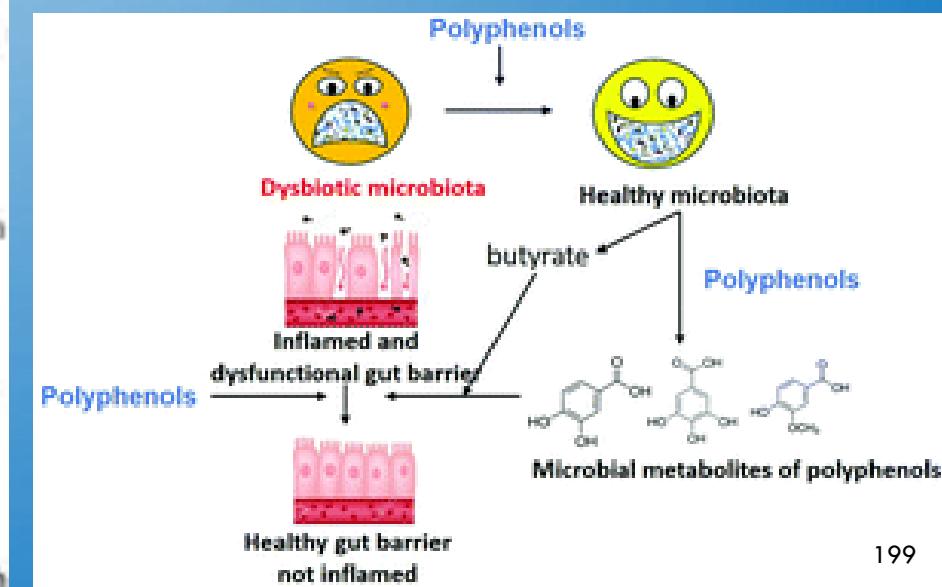
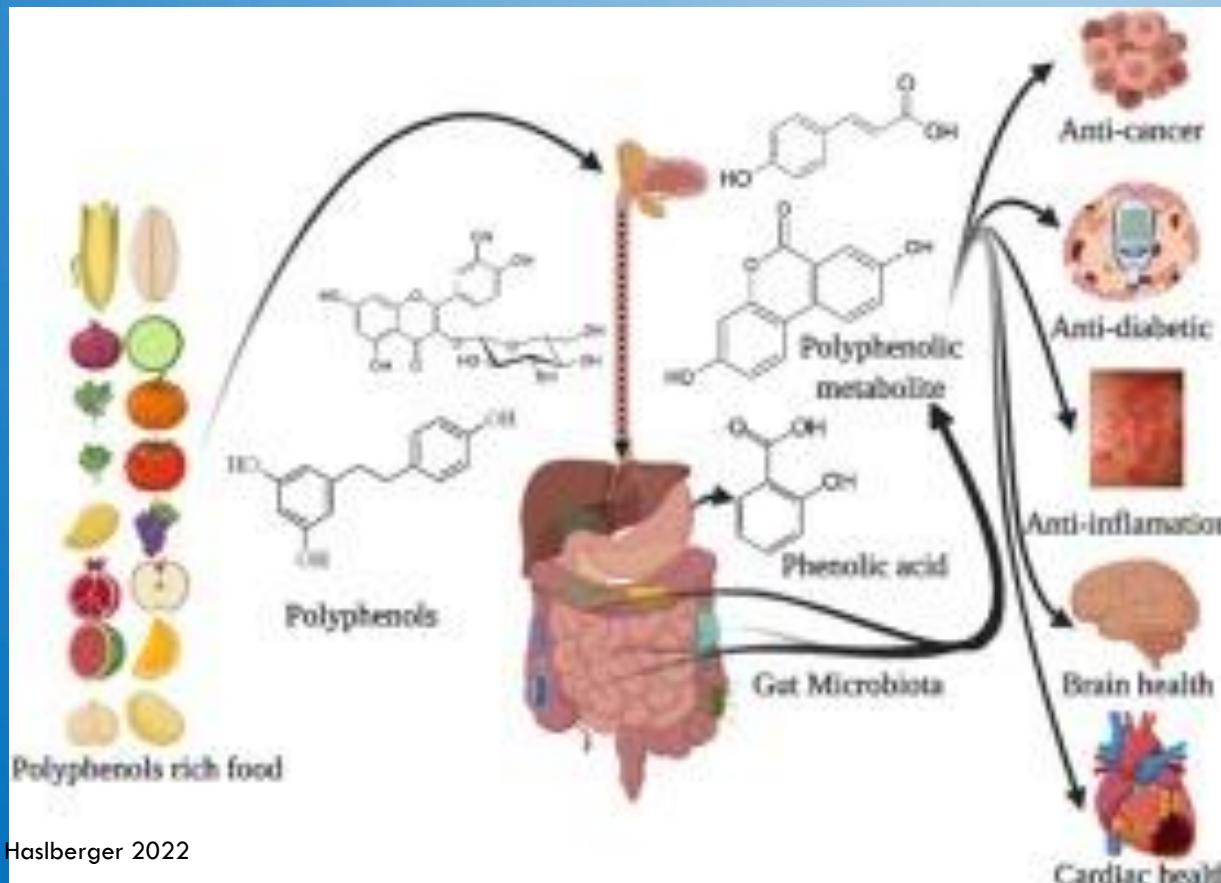
Diet-induced weight loss is sufficient to reduce senescent cell number in white adipose tissue of weight-cycled mice

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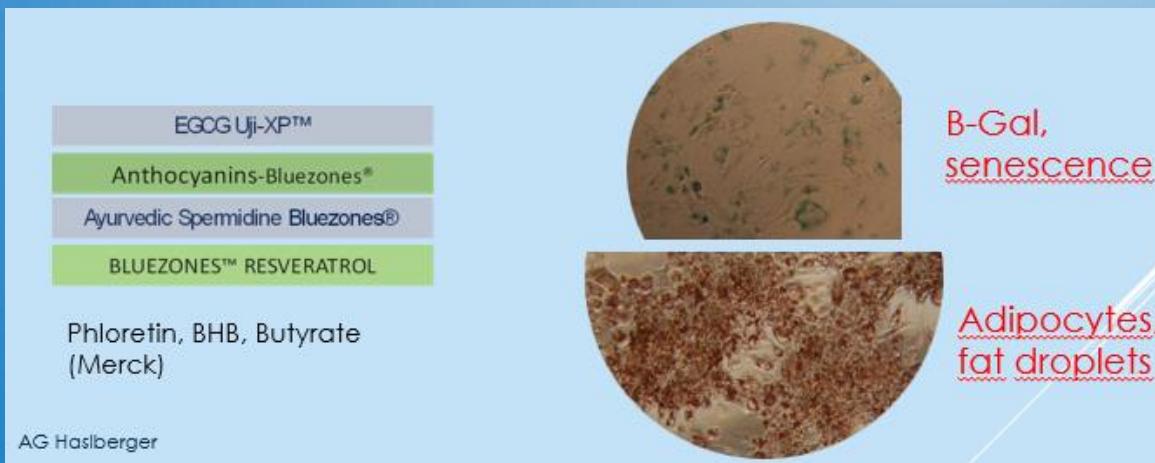
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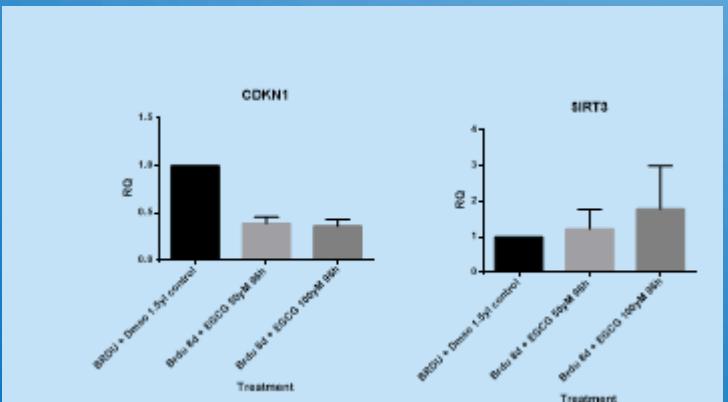
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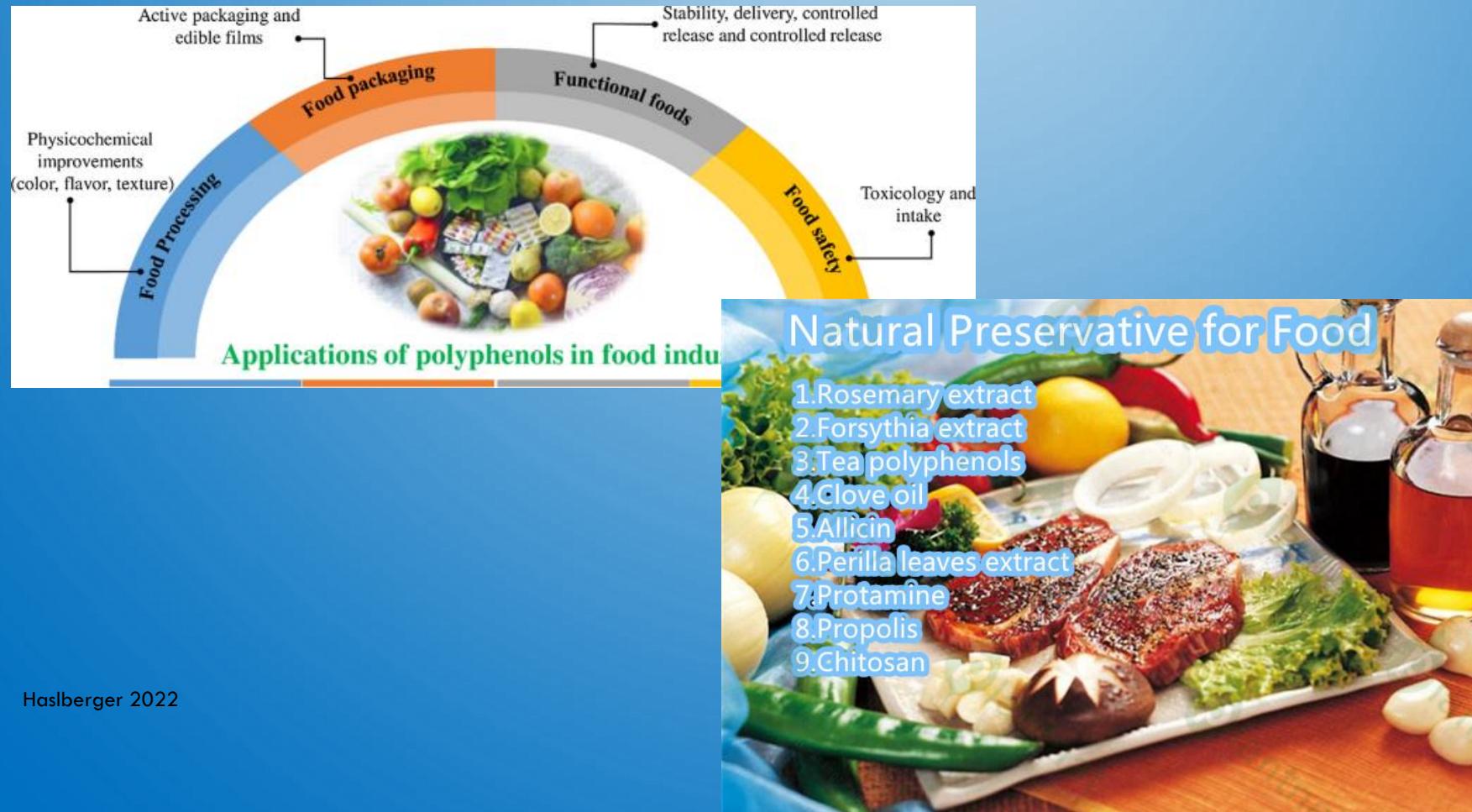


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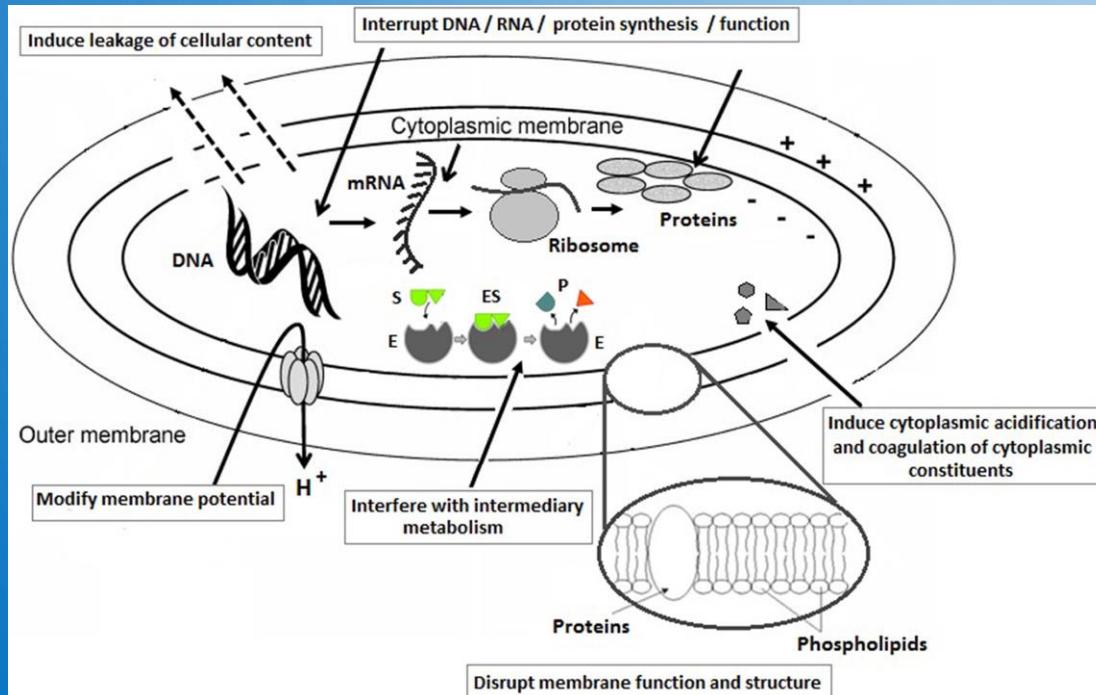
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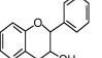
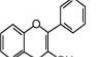
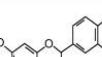
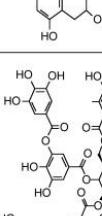
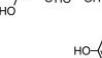
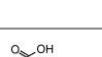
# POLYPHENOLS IN FOOD PRESERVATION, PROCESSING



# ANTI BACTERIAL POLYPHENOLS



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	FLAVAN-3-OL	ANTIBACTERIAL ANTIVIRAL ANTIFUNGAL	<i>V.cholerae</i> - <i>S.mutans</i> - <i>C.jejuni</i> <i>C.perfringens</i> - <i>E.coli</i> - <i>B.Cereus</i> <i>H.pylori</i> - <i>S.aureus</i> - <i>L.acidophilus</i> <i>A.naeslundii</i> - <i>P oralis</i> - <i>P.gingivalis</i> <i>P.melaninogenica</i> - <i>F. nucleatum</i> - <i>C.pneumonia</i> Adenovirus - Enterovirus - Flu virus
	FLAVONOL		<i>Candida albicans</i> <i>Microsporum gypseum</i> <i>Trichophyton mentagrophytes</i> <i>Trichophyton rubrum</i>
	CONDENSED TANNIN	ANTIBACTERIAL ANTIVIRAL	<i>S.mutans</i> <i>E.coli</i> <i>S.aureus</i>  <i>influenza A virus</i> <i>type-1 herpes simplex virus (HSV)</i>
	HYDROLYSABLE TANNIN	ANTIBACTERIAL ANTIVIRAL ANTIFUNGAL	Different strains of : <i>Salmonella</i> - <i>Staphylococcus</i> <i>Helicobacter</i> - <i>E.coli</i> - <i>Bacillus</i> <i>Clostridium</i> - <i>Campylobacter</i> <i>Listeria</i>  <i>Epstein-Barr virus</i> <i>Herpes virus</i> <i>HSV -1 and HSV -2,</i>  <i>Candida parapsilosis</i>
	PHENOLIC ACID	ANTIBACTERIAL	<i>S.aureus</i> - <i>L.monocytogenes</i> <i>E.coli</i> - <i>P.aeruginosa</i>
	NEOLIGNAN	ANTIBACTERIAL	Different strains of : <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i>

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# ANTIVIRAL NUTRACEUTICALS



**Fermented products**  
Probiotics enhance gut bacteria & gut-lung axis-related respiratory fitness



**Herbs & roots**  
Prevent viral replication, enhance anti-influenza virus IgG and IgA antibodies production & T-cell function



**Dairy products**  
Vitamin D lowers viral replication, reduce infection rate & lung pneumonia



**Fish, chicken & meat**  
Immune defence; peptides enhance monocytes & macrophages functions & prevent infected lung injury

## Antiviral Functional Foods

**Fruit and vegetables**  
Vitamins & minerals antioxidant immune protection of respiratory system. Plant cyclotides prevent T-cells malfunction



**Coffee**  
Decreases progeny virus yield, neutrophil & monocyte chemotaxis, lipopolysaccharide & prevent mucosal response to influenza pathogens



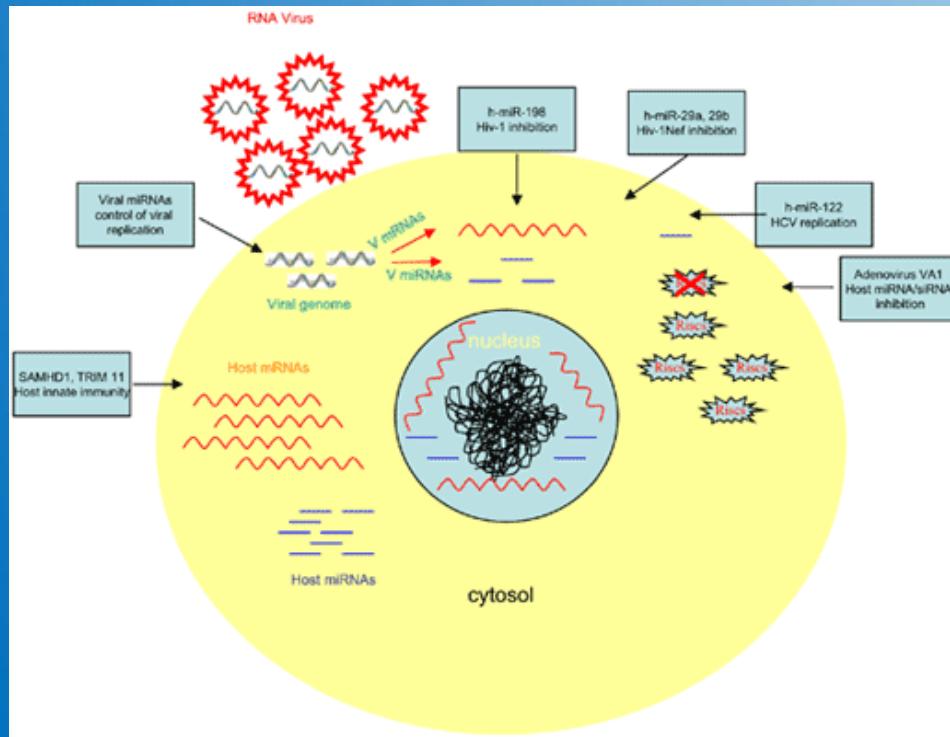
**Nuts & seeds**  
Immuno-protective phenolic compounds for high-risk groups



**Olive Oil**  
Prevents respiratory syncytial virus & influenza A, B, parainfluenza 1, 2 & 3 viruses

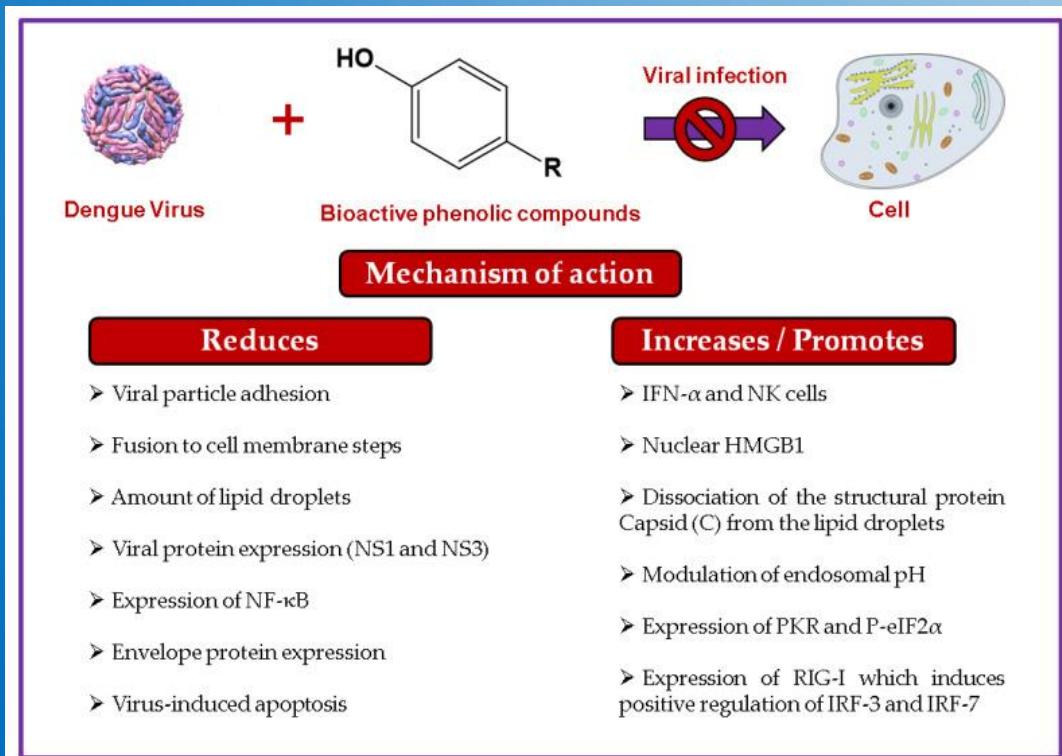


# RNA AND CORONA VIRUSES



Name	Abbrev.	Accession	Length	Base composition
SARS coronavirus Urbani	SARS	AY278741	29,727	(0.28, 0.20, 0.21, 0.31)
Avian infectious bronchitis virus	AIBV	NC_001451.1	27,608	(0.29, 0.16, 0.22, 0.33)
Bovine coronavirus	BCoV	NC_003045.1	31,028	(0.27, 0.15, 0.22, 0.36)
Human coronavirus 229E	HCoV	NC_002645.1	27,317	(0.27, 0.17, 0.22, 0.35)
Murine hepatitis virus	MHV	NC_001846	31,357	(0.26, 0.18, 0.24, 0.32)
Porcine epidemic diarrhea virus	PEDV	NC_003436.1	28,033	(0.25, 0.19, 0.23, 0.33)
Transmissible gastroenteritis virus	TGV	NC_002306.2	28,586	(0.29, 0.17, 0.21, 0.33)
Rubella virus	RUV	NC_001545.1	9,755	(0.15, 0.39, 0.31, 0.15)
Equine arteritis virus	EAV	NC_002532.2	12,704	(0.21, 0.26, 0.26, 0.27)
Rabies virus	RV	NC_001542.1	11,932	(0.29, 0.22, 0.23, 0.26)
Human immunodeficiency virus 1	HIV-1	NC_001802.1	9,181	(0.36, 0.18, 0.24, 0.22)

Influenza, Dengue,



S. No.	Molecule	Target	Type of Study/ Techniques Used	Results	Study, Year, Reference
1	Luteolin	SARS-CoV S2 protein	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frontal-affinity chromatography-mass spectrometry</li> <li>HIV-luc/SARS pseudotype virus assay</li> <li>MTT assay with wild-type SARS-CoV</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luteolin-inhibited SARS-CoV infection in a dose-dependent manner.</li> <li>EC<sub>50</sub> was 10.6 <math>\mu</math>M. CC<sub>50</sub> was 0.155 mM. LD<sub>50</sub> in mice was 232.2 mg/kg</li> </ul>	Yi et al, 2004 <sup>11</sup>
2	Quercetin	SARS-CoV S2 protein	HIV-luc/SARS pseudotype virus assay	EC <sub>50</sub> of 83.4 $\mu$ M and CC <sub>50</sub> of 3.32 mM	Yi et al, 2004 <sup>11</sup>
3	GCG (gallocatechin gallate)	SARS-CoV 3CLPro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expression of recombinant 3CLPro in <i>Pichia pastoris</i> and its inhibition.</li> <li>Molecular docking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>91% inhibition by 200 <math>\mu</math>M.</li> <li>IC<sub>50</sub> of 47 <math>\mu</math>M.</li> <li>Binding energy of -14 kcal/mol</li> </ul>	Nguyen et al, 2012 <sup>14</sup>
4	Quercetin	SARS-CoV 3CLPro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expression of recombinant 3CLPro in <i>Pichia pastoris</i> and its inhibition.</li> <li>Molecular docking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>80% inhibition at 200 <math>\mu</math>M.</li> <li>IC<sub>50</sub> of 23.8 <math>\mu</math>M</li> <li>Binding energy -10.2 kcal/mol</li> </ul>	Nguyen et al, 2012 <sup>14</sup>
5	EGCG	SARS-CoV 3CLPro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expression of recombinant 3CLPro in <i>Pichia pastoris</i> and its inhibition.</li> <li>Molecular docking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>85% inhibition at 200 <math>\mu</math>M.</li> <li>IC<sub>50</sub> of 73 <math>\mu</math>M</li> <li>Binding energy -11.7 kcal/mol</li> </ul>	Nguyen et al, 2012 <sup>14</sup>
6	Resveratrol	MERS-CoV NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MTT assay using vero-E6 cell line</li> <li>Nucleocapsid protein staining</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Found to be effective in the 125–250 <math>\mu</math>M range on viral titre as well as viral RNA amount.</li> <li>Inhibits caspase 3 cleavage.</li> </ul>	Lin et al, 2017 <sup>12</sup>
7	Hesperetin	SARS-CoV 3CLPro	Cell free and cell-based cleavage assays	IC <sub>50</sub> of 60 $\mu$ M in cell free assay, IC <sub>50</sub> of 8.3 $\mu$ M in cell-based assay and a CC <sub>50</sub> of 2718 $\mu$ M	Lin et al, 2005 <sup>15</sup>
8	Quercetin	ACE2 and FURIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gene silencing</li> <li>Expression studies</li> <li>Transgenic mouse models</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quercetin affected ACE2 expression.</li> <li>In addition, it was found to alter the expression of 98 of 332 (30%) genes encoding human proteins that serve as target for the SARS-CoV-2.</li> </ul>	Glinsky, 2020 <sup>16</sup>

**Table 1**  
Different families and type of viruses, their specific virus and the role of polyphenols as a possible alternative to treat virus.

Type of virus	Specific virus	Disease characteristics	Conventional treatment	Alternative treatment with polyphenols	Reference
Respiratory infections	Influenza virus (A, B and C)	Annually responsible for high mortality in both humans and animals worldwide	NA inhibitors and M2 protein channel blockers after infection, while vaccination is the most effective therapy	1,2,3,4,6-Penta-O-galloyl-β-D-glucose ( $IC_{50}$ of 236 $\mu$ g/mL) purified from <i>Echinacea purpurea</i> , <i>Phyllanthus emblica</i> Linn inhibits virus replication	(Fox and Christenson, 2014; Liu et al., 2011; Moscona, 2008)
	Coronavirus (HCoV-229E, HCoV-OC43, HCoV-NL63, HCoV-HKU1, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV), Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) and the novel SARS-CoV-2)	Respiratory tract infections in humans with outbreaks around the world, especially in winter	Currently there are no specific treatments for the CoV infection and preventive vaccines are being developed	Polyphenol extract from <i>Echinacea purpurea</i> against SARS-CoV-2 provided 50% of inhibition Kaempferol and quercetin from <i>Broussonetia papyrifera</i> against MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV effectively inhibited with an $IC_{50}$ of 27.9 $\mu$ M and 30.2 $\mu$ M, respectively	(Chiow et al., 2016; Liu et al., 2020; Park et al., 2017; Signer et al., 2020)
	Rhinovirus	The main cause of the common cold, among other respiratory diseases, also producing shortness of breath in asthmatic people, acute otitis and bronchiolitis	There are no vaccines or antiviral agents for the prevention or treatment of this virus	Resveratrol showed a therapeutic approach to reduce infection when the $IC_{50}$ was 50 $\mu$ M Gallic acid, extracted (100 $\mu$ g/mL) from <i>Woodfordia fruticosa</i> flowers, reported 55% virus inhibition	(Choi et al., 2010; Mastromarino et al., 2015; Ruskanen et al., 2013)
	Syncytial virus	Causes infections in infants and the elderly, causing not only acute morbidity but also recurrent breathing problems	There is no safe and effective treatment Corticosteroids was treated children of preschool-age who had early bronchitis, but the results were not satisfactory and failed to reduce the infection or breathing problems	Resveratrol ( $IC_{50}$ 189 $\mu$ g/mL) inhibits 40% virus replication and down-regulates the TIR-domain-containing adapter-inducing interferon-β (TRIF) complex, which sends signals for the activation of innate immune cells	(Beigelman et al., 2014; Tagarro et al., 2012; Xie et al., 2012)
Gastrointestinal infections	Rotavirus	Causes dehydrating gastroenteritis, especially in children under five years of age	There is a vaccine against rotavirus but annually the mortality is around 200,000 deaths worldwide. The treatment focuses on dehydration and not on the use of antiviral agents	Polyphenols (licoumarone, glycyrrhizin, among others) extracted from <i>Glycyrrhiza uralensis</i> root ( $EC_{50}$ 18.7–69.5 $\mu$ M) can inhibit 50% virus absorption and replication after the cell's entry	(Crawford et al., 2017; Cushnie and Lamb, 2005; Kwon et al., 2010)
Hepatic infections	Hepatitis virus (A, B and C)	Cause high morbidity and mortality around the world	Anti-hepatitis virus drugs are members of nucleotides or nucleoside analogs, which inhibit the activity of polymerase or reverse transcriptase, but the prolonged use giving rise to the existence of mutant viruses	Curcumin (150 $\mu$ M) inhibits hepatitis B virus	(Mouller Rechtman et al., 2010; Sukowati et al., 2016; Yugo et al., 2016)
	Epstein-Barr virus	Infects human epithelial and lymphoid cells. Infection is associated with a number of human cancers, such as Hodgkin's disease	A vaccine is not yet approved	(–)-Epigallocatechin gallate (EGCG) extracted from green tea (50 $\mu$ M) blocked the EBV lytic cycle, inhibiting the transcription of immediate-early genes in a range of 40–50%	(Abba et al., 2015; Chang et al., 2003; Cohen, 2018)
	Human cytomegalovirus	Not present obvious symptoms, but infection causes morbidity and mortality in transplant recipients or patients with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS)	Drugs such as cidofovir, valganciclovir and ganciclovir, which target viral DNA polymerase, but their side-effects include long-term toxicity, low bioavailability, plus drug resistance to the virus	Curcumin, using a low dose of 0.2 $\mu$ g/mL, inhibits virus protein expression	(Ahmed, 2012; Evers et al., 2005; Lv et al., 2014)
	Herpes simplex virus (HSV-1 and HSV-2)	Responsible for orolabial and genital diseases producing, in general, benign lesions but, in some cases, putting the life of patients at risk if the infections are recurrent	There is no vaccine and existing drugs (e.g., acyclovir) do not eradicate the virus infection and cause resistance to drugs	Ent-epiafzelechin-(4 $\alpha$ → 8)-epiafzelechin extracted from <i>Cassia javanica</i> leaves (250 $\mu$ M) inhibits more than 90% of HSV-2 penetration to the host cell	(Cheng et al., 2006; Morfin and Thou, 2003; Piret and Boivin, 2011)
Exanthematous infections	Varicella-zoster virus	Causes fever and vesicular rash. Once the disease has disappeared, the virus enters into a state of latency, but it can be reactivated due to stress, causing herpes	Generally, uses drugs such as acyclovir, valaciclovir, etc., which are often combined with analgesics for pain and corticosteroids for inflammation	Resveratrol (219 $\mu$ M) inhibits 100% virus replication	(Docherty et al., 2006; Johnson and Whittton, 2004)

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Review

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## Quercetin as an Antiviral Agent Inhibits Influenza A Virus (IAV) Entry

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**Abstract:** Influenza A viruses (IAVs) cause seasonal pandemics and epidemics with high morbidity and mortality, which calls for effective anti-IAV agents. The glycoprotein hemagglutinin of influenza virus plays a crucial role in the initial stage of virus infection, making it a potential target for anti-influenza therapeutics development. Here we found that quercetin inhibited influenza infection with a wide spectrum of strains, including A/Puerto Rico/8/34 (H1N1), A/FM-1/47/1 (H1N1), and A/Aichi/2/68 (H3N2) with half maximal inhibitory concentration ( $IC_{50}$ ) of  $7.756 \pm 1.097$ ,  $6.225 \pm 0.467$ , and  $2.738 \pm 1.931 \mu\text{g/mL}$ , respectively. Mechanism studies identified that quercetin showed interaction with the HA2 subunit. Moreover, quercetin could inhibit the entry of the H5N1 virus using the pseudovirus-based drug screening system. This study indicates that quercetin showing inhibitory activity in the early stage of influenza infection provides a future therapeutic option to develop effective, safe and affordable natural products for the treatment and prophylaxis of IAV infections.

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## Anti-influenza virus activity of EGCg

Data of Professor Kurokawa's study group at Kyushu University of Health and Welfare

Virus	EC50, ppm (Effective conc. for 50% plaque reduction)			
	① Virus + EGCg → Cells	② Virus + Solvent → Cells	③ EGCg + Cells → Virus	④ Virus + Cells → EGCg
<b>Influenza virus type A</b>				
Bangkok/93/03(H1N1)	$1.41 \pm 0.17$	>30	>30	$19.3 \pm 1.8$
PR8/8/34(H1N1)	$2.19 \pm 0.09$	>30	>30	>30
Aichi/2/68(H3N2)	$2.76 \pm 0.23$	>30	>30	$22.9 \pm 1.4$
<b>Influenza virus type B</b>				
Singapore	$0.93 \pm 0.35$	>30	>30	$11.1 \pm 1.6$

CC50 value (cytotoxic conc. for 50% reduction of cell growth) of EGCg was 85.6 ppm.

Summary of [Methods and Results](#)

① EGCg-treated virus was adsorbed to cells.

EGCg was significantly effective in inhibiting the adsorption and/or invasion of influenza virus type A and B to cells. EC50 values of EGCg were 31 to 92-folds lower than the CC50 value.

② Solvent-treated virus was adsorbed to cells. Components of solvent except EGCg did not show any anti-influenza virus activity

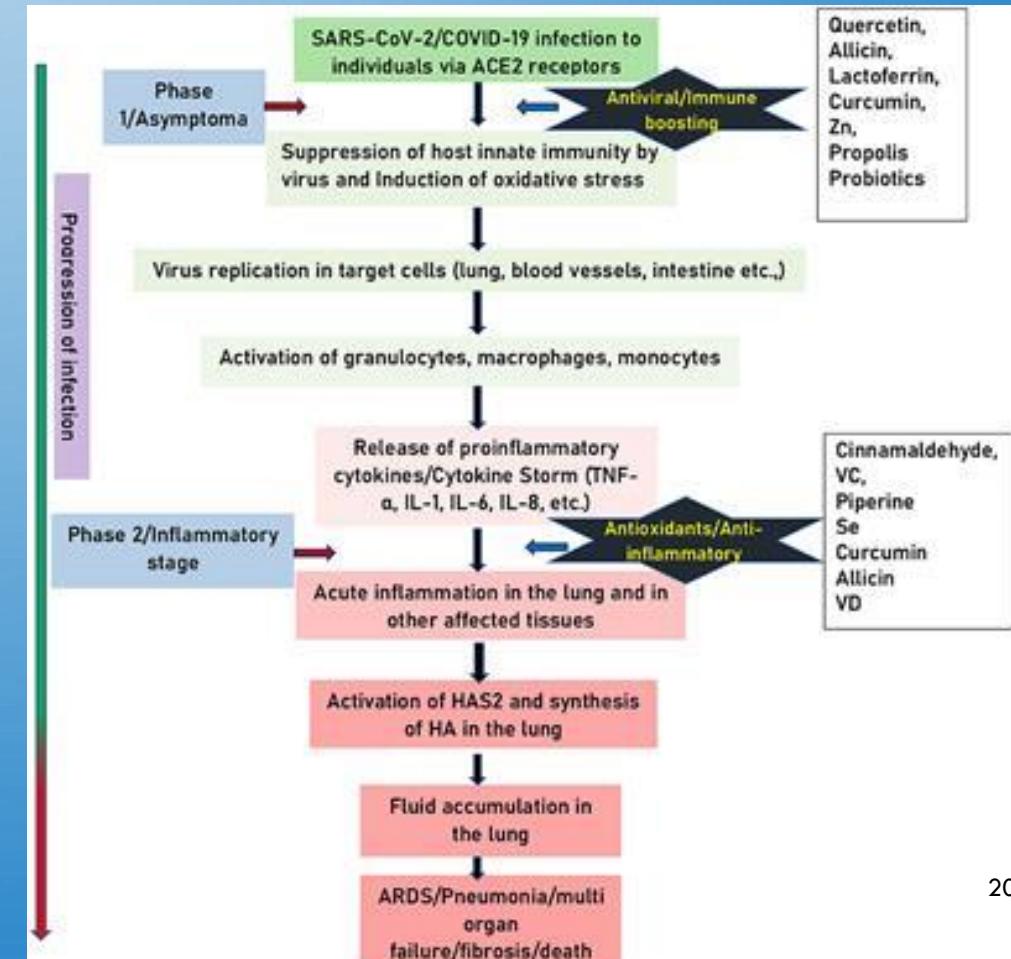
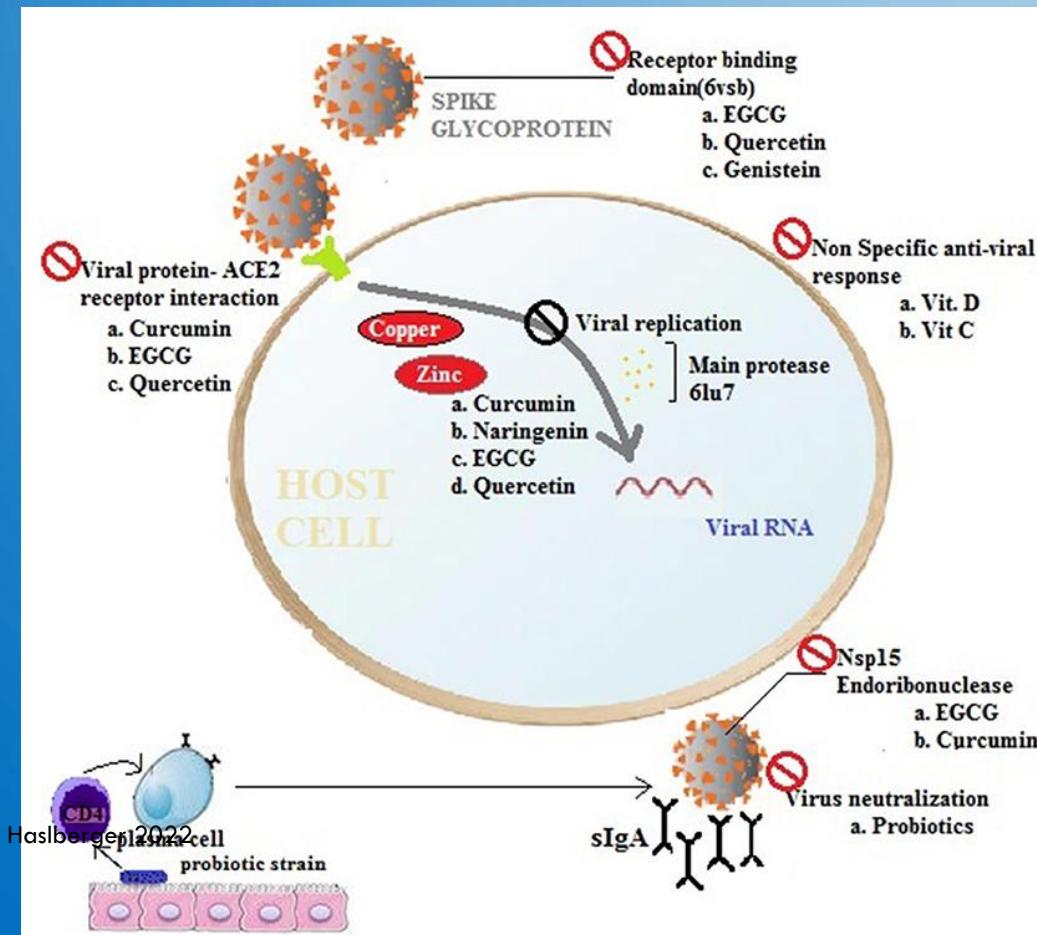
③ Virus was adsorbed and infected to EGCg-treated cells.

EGCg was not effective in interfering with virus adsorption and/or invasion in EGCg-pretreated cells.

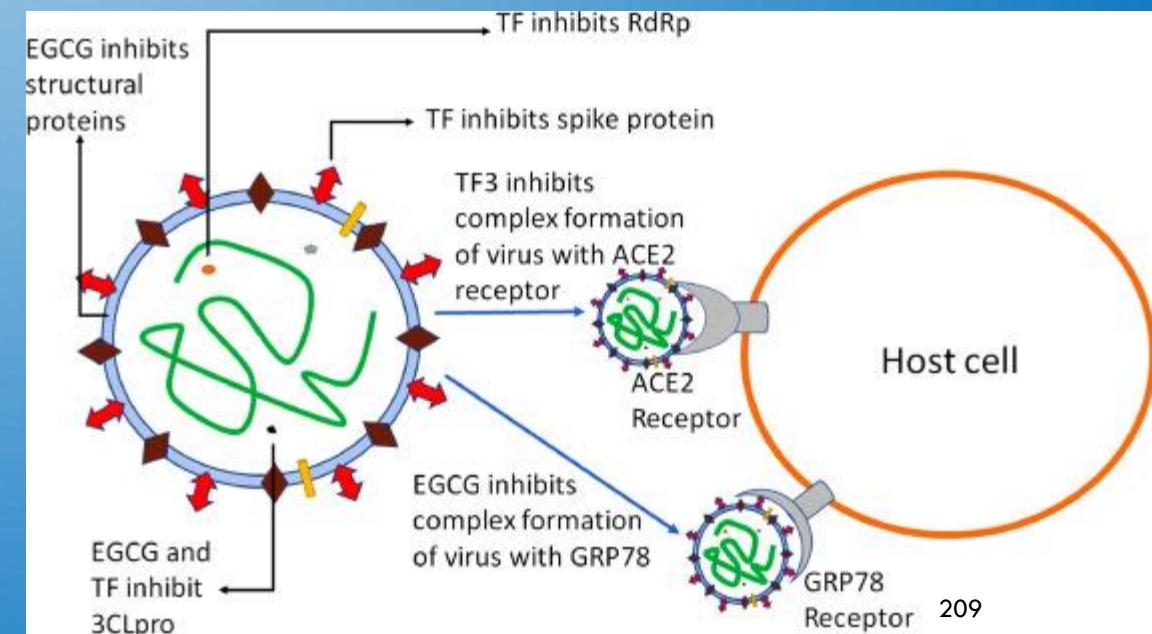
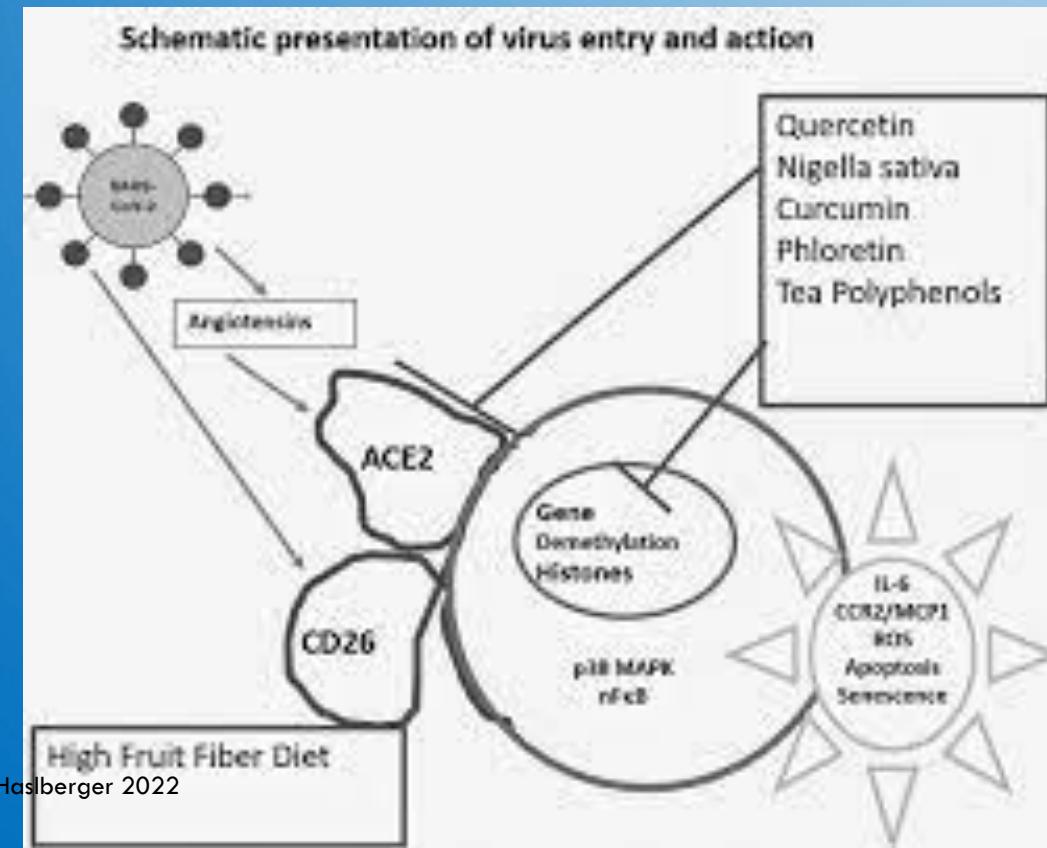
④ Virus-adsorbed and infected cells were incubated in the presence of EGCg.

Progeny virus probably contacted with EGCg contained in medium and the adsorption and/or invasion into cells were interrupted.

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# NUTRACEUTICALS, EPIGENETICS AND INHIBITION OF RNA VIRUSES



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# Epigallocatechin gallate from green tea effectively blocks infection of SARS-CoV-2 and new variants by inhibiting spike binding to ACE2 receptor

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## Abstract

**Background:** As the COVID-19 pandemic rages on, the new SARS-CoV-2 variants have emerged in the different regions of the world. These newly emerged variants have mutations in their spike (S) protein that may confer resistance to vaccine-elicited immunity and existing neutralizing antibody therapeutics. Therefore, there is still an urgent need of safe, effective, and affordable agents for prevention/treatment of SARS-CoV-2 and its variant infection.

**Results:** We demonstrated that green tea beverage (GTB) or its major ingredient, epigallocatechin gallate (EGCG), were highly effective in inhibiting infection of live SARS-CoV-2 and human coronavirus (HCoV OC43). In addition, infection of the pseudoviruses with spikes of the new variants (UK-B.1.1.7, SA-B.1.351, and CA-B.1.429) was efficiently blocked by GTB or EGCG. Among the 4 active green tea catechins at noncytotoxic doses, EGCG was the most potent in the action against the viruses. The highest inhibitory activity was observed when the viruses or the cells were pre-incubated with EGCG prior to the infection. Mechanistic studies revealed that EGCG blocked infection at the entry step through interfering with the engagement of the receptor binding domain (RBD) of the viral spikes to angiotensin-converting enzyme 2 (ACE2) receptor of the host cells.

**Conclusions:** These data support further clinical evaluation and development of EGCG as a novel, safe, and cost-effective natural product for prevention/treatment of SARS-CoV-2 transmission and infection.

**Keywords:** Epigallocatechin gallate, Green tea, SARS-CoV-2, Variants, Receptor binding domain

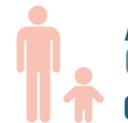


Vitamin D3 (Cholecalciferol)	20 µg
Vitamin B9 (Folate)	600 µg
Zink / Zinc	14 mg
Salbei Extrakt / Sage extract (Polyphenole)	140 mg
Grüntee Extrakt / Green tea extract (EGCG)	125 mg
Berberin / Berberine	4 mg
Apfel Extrakt / Apple extract (Phloretin)	40 mg
Zwiebel Extrakt / Onion extract (Quercetin)	140 mg
Holunderbeeren Extrakt / Elderberry extract (Anthocyanin)	110 mg
Traubenhaut-Extrakt / Grape skin extract (Resveratrol)	140 mg

ZUTATEN: Salbei Extrakt, Zwiebel Extrakt, Traubenhaut Extrakt, Grüntee Extrakt, Holunderbeeren Extrakt, Zinkgluconat, Apfel Extrakt, Trennmittel: Magnesiumstearat, Trennmittel: Siliciumdioxid, Vitamin D3-Cholecalciferol, Quatrefolic Vitamin B9

## THE VIRUSES BEHIND COLDS AND FLU

### THE COMMON COLD



**ADULTS HAVE 2-5 COLDS EVERY YEAR  
CHILDREN HAVE 7-10**

OVER 200 DIFFERENT VIRAL TYPES ARE ASSOCIATED WITH COLDS

2-4 DAYS

PEAK OF SYMPTOMS AFTER ONSET

7-10 DAYS

AVERAGE DURATION OF A COLD

Due to the number of viruses and their rapid mutation, vaccination against colds is very difficult. As colds are caused by viruses, not bacteria, antibiotics can't be used to treat them. There's limited evidence that zinc acetate lozenges can reduce the duration of a cold if taken from when symptoms start.



### RHINOVIRUSES



**30-50% OF ALL COLDS  
3 SPECIES AFFECT HUMANS  
DIAMETER: 30 NANOMETRES**

The 3 species of rhinovirus that affect humans contain around 150 different serotypes (viruses that differ in their surface proteins). Rhinoviruses replicate best at temperatures found in the nose (33-35°C); their name comes from the Greek *rhinos*, meaning 'of the nose'. They're one of the smallest viruses.

### INFLUENZA VIRUSES



**5-15% OF ALL COLDS  
3 SPECIES AFFECT HUMANS  
DIAMETER: 120 NANOMETRES**

Infections with the influenza virus are commonly referred to as flu. Influenzavirus A, which has 12 known serotypes in humans, is the most common in humans and causes yearly flu outbreaks around the world. Due to the more serious symptoms, flu vaccinations are produced each year based on predictions of the strains of the virus most likely to be circulating. However, it does not confer protection against other strains and as the viruses mutate, doesn't protect against them in subsequent years.

### CORONAVIRUSES



**10-15% OF ALL COLDS  
7 SPECIES AFFECT HUMANS  
DIAMETER: 120 NANOMETRES**

Coronaviruses cause colds with major symptoms, including fever, and can also cause pneumonia. Major outbreaks including SARS and the 2019-20 viral outbreak in China were caused by coronaviruses. They're named from the Latin *corona*, meaning crown, for their characteristic surface projections.

### OTHER VIRUSES



RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS.....5%  
PARAINFLUENZA VIRUSES.....5%  
ADENOVIRUSES.....<5%  
OTHER ENTEROVIRUSES.....<5%  
METAPNEUMOVIRUS.....?%  
UNKNOWN.....20-30%

The virus causing a cold can be identified using several complex techniques. These are rarely used as the treatment is often independent of virus type. 5% of patients with colds are infected with two or more viruses simultaneously, and other cold-causing viruses may still be identified in the future.



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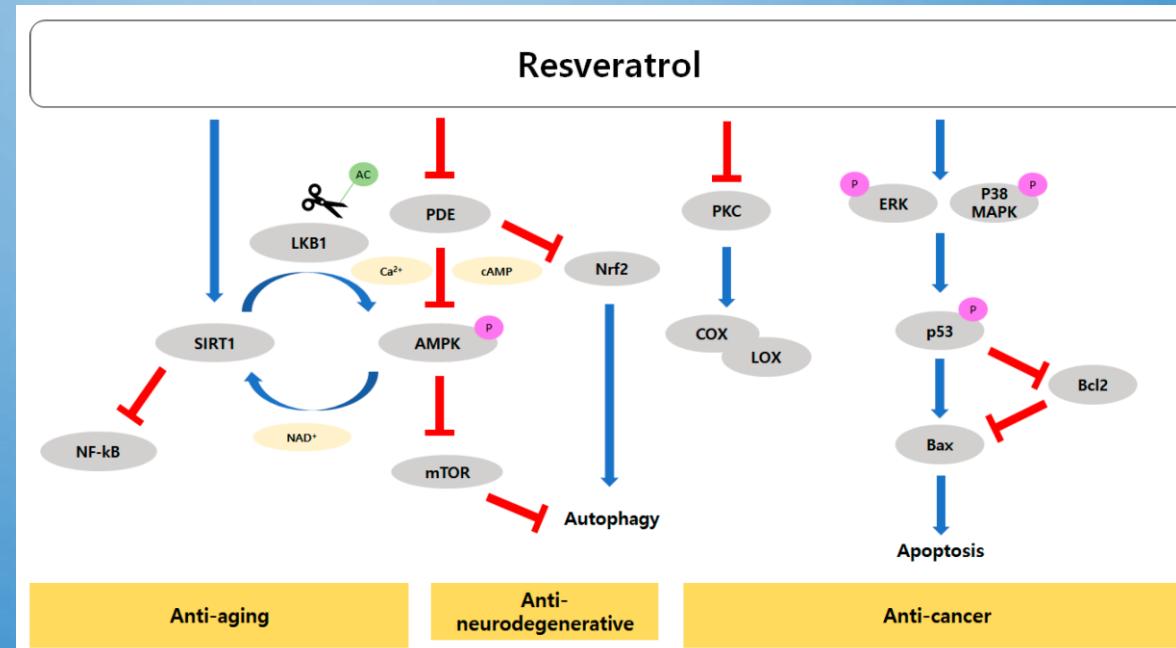


# EXAMPLES, RESVERATROL



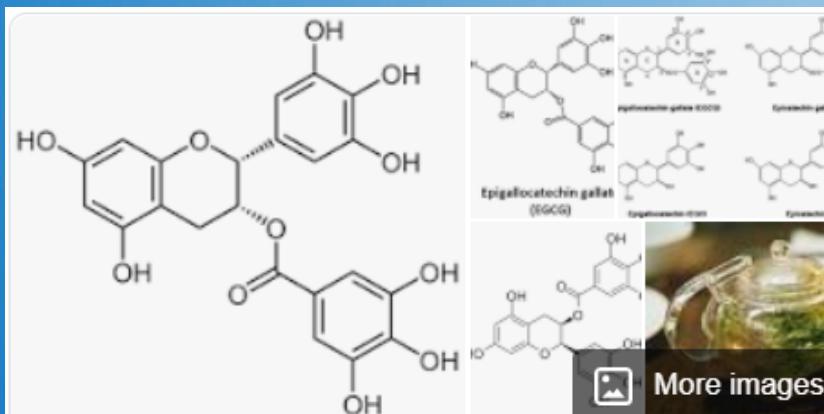
Resveratrol is a stilbenoid, a type of natural phenol, and a phytoalexin produced by several plants in response to injury or when the plant is under attack by pathogens, such as bacteria or fungi. Sources of resveratrol in food include the skin of grapes, blueberries, raspberries, mulberries, and peanuts.

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Previous studies have demonstrated that resveratrol is well-absorbed following oral administration, with ~75% of the dose absorbed. Following absorption, resveratrol undergoes rapid and extensive metabolism leading to low bioavailability

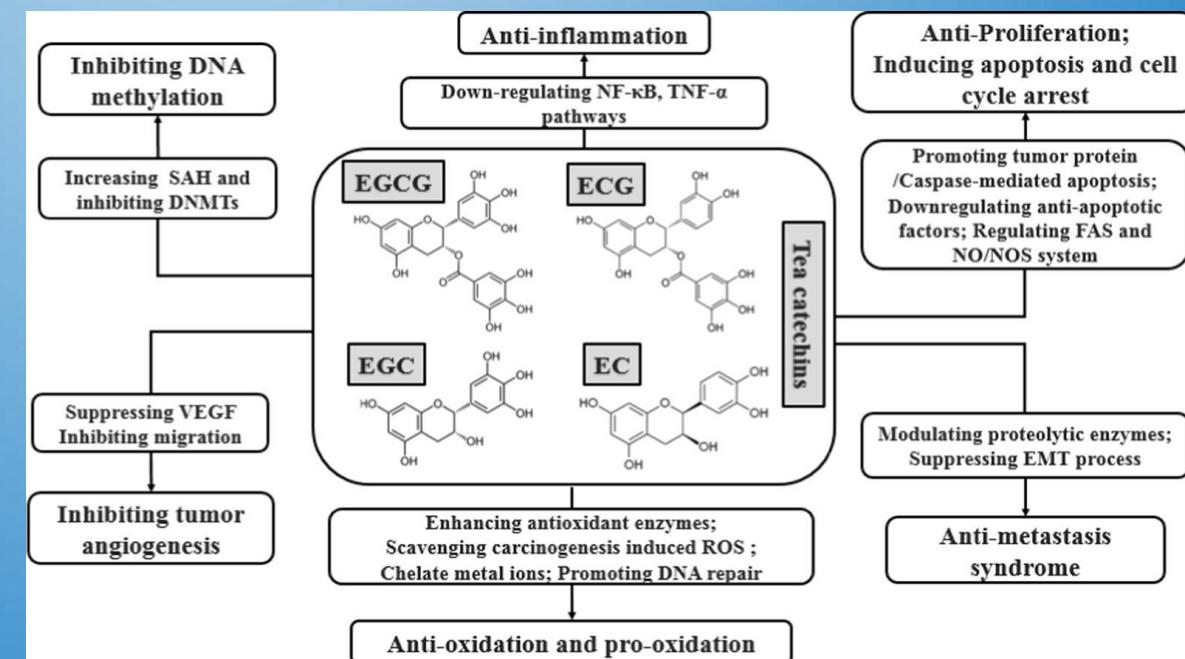
# GREEN TEA EXTRACT, EGCG, CATECHINES



## Epigallocatechin gallate



Epigallocatechin gallate, also known as epigallocatechin-3-gallate, is the ester of epigallocatechin and gallic acid, and is a type of catechin. EGCG – the most abundant catechin in tea – is a polyphenol under basic research for its potential to affect human health and disease. [Wikipedia](#)  
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# EGCG II



**The green tea polyphenol EGCG is differentially associated with telomeric regulation in normal human fibroblasts versus cancer cells**

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## Research Article

### **EGCG Prevents High Fat Diet-Induced Changes in Gut Microbiota, Decreases of DNA Strand Breaks, and Changes in Expression and DNA Methylation of *Dnmt1* and *MLH1* in C57BL/6J Male Mice**

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## Research Article

### **Epigallocatechin Gallate Effectively Affects Senescence and Anti-SASP via SIRT3 in 3T3-L1 Preadipocytes in Comparison with Other Bioactive Substances**

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## Piperine enhances the bioavailability of the tea polyphenol (-)-epigallocatechin-3-gallate in mice

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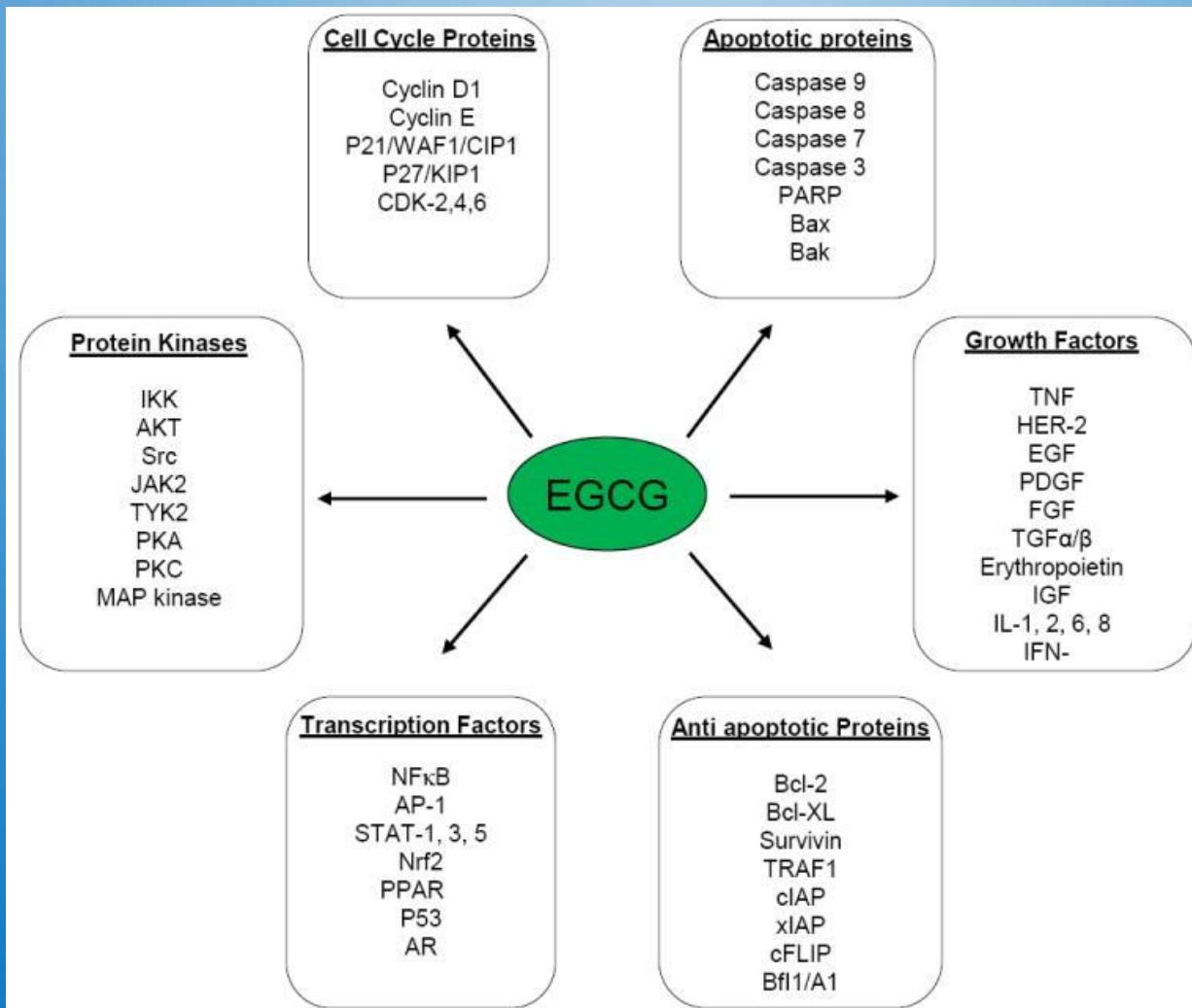
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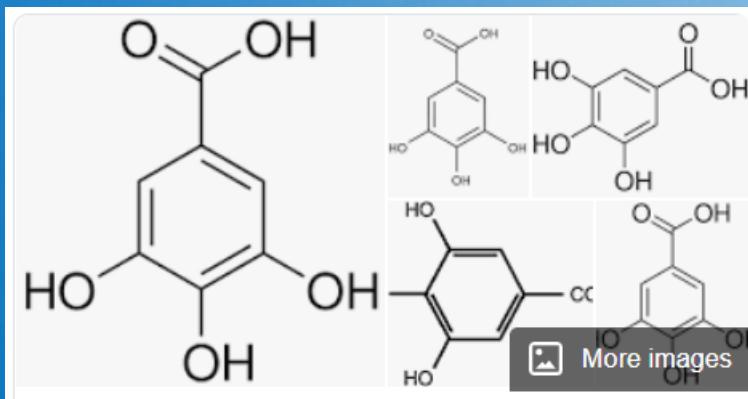
## Abstract

(-)Epigallocatechin-3-gallate (EGCG), from green tea (*Camellia sinensis*), has demonstrated chemopreventive activity in animal models of carcinogenesis. Previously, we reported the bioavailability of EGCG in rats (1.6%) and mice (26.5%). Here, we report that cotreatment with a second dietary component, piperine (from black pepper), enhanced the bioavailability of EGCG in mice. Intragastric coadministration of 163.8 micromol/kg EGCG and 70.2 micromol/kg piperine to male CF-1 mice increased the plasma C(max) and area under the curve (AUC) by 1.3-fold compared to mice treated with EGCG only. Piperine appeared to increase EGCG bioavailability by inhibiting glucuronidation and gastrointestinal transit. Piperine (100 micromol/L) inhibited EGCG glucuronidation in mouse small intestine (by 40%) but not in hepatic microsomes. Piperine (20

# EGCG



# GALIC ACID

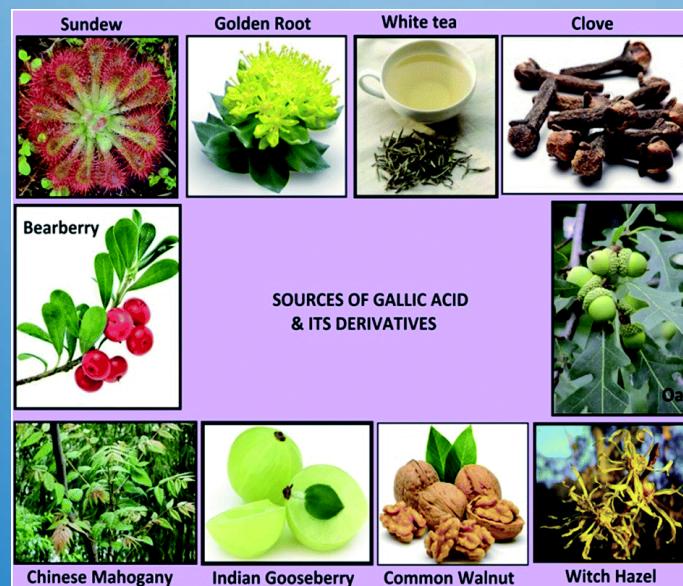


## Gallic acid



Gallic acid is a trihydroxybenzoic acid with the formula  $C_6H_3(OH)_3CO_2H$ . It is classified as a phenolic acid. It is found in gallnuts, sumac, witch hazel, tea leaves, oak bark, and other plants. It is a white solid, although samples are typically brown owing to partial oxidation.

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Gallic acid, a common dietary phenolic protects against high fat diet induced DNA damage

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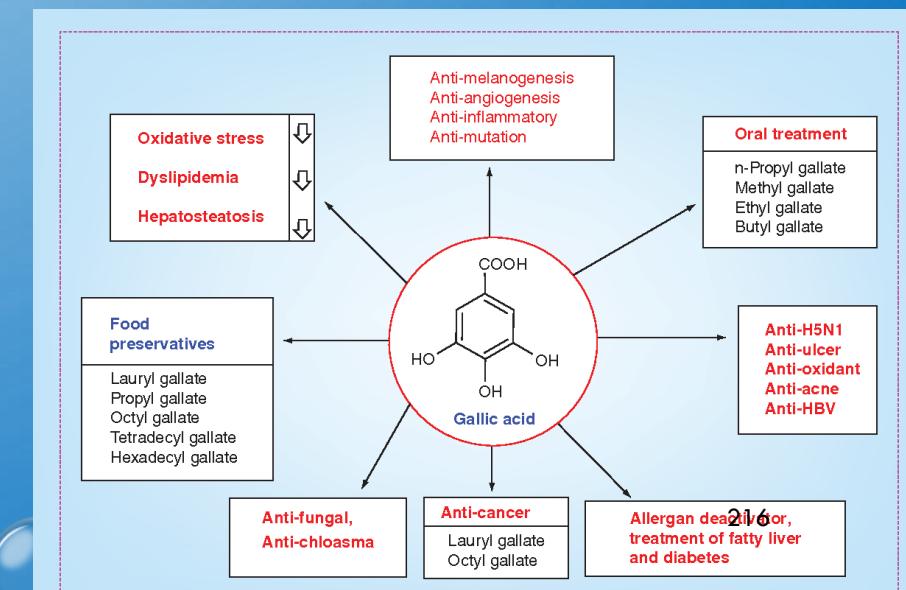


Figure 2. Important uses of gallic acid and its ester derivatives.

# ASTAXANTHIN



## Astaxanthin

Chemical compound



Astaxanthin is a keto-carotenoid with various uses including dietary supplement and food dye. It belongs to a larger class of chemical compounds known as terpenes built from five carbon precursors, isopentenyl diphosphate, and dimethylallyl diphosphate. [Wikipedia](#)

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## Biological Activities

Antioxidant activity  
Protection from UV rays  
Anti-skin cancer  
Anti-inflammatory  
Anti-gastric activity  
Anti-hepatoprotective  
Anti-diabetes  
Cardiovascular prevention  
Immune response  
Neuroprotection

# QUERCETIN



The image shows the chemical structure of Quercetin, a flavonol, and three supplement bottles. The chemical structure is a flavonol with three hydroxyl groups. The supplement bottles are labeled 'QUERCETIN 500 MG MAX STRENGTH FLAVONOID', 'QUERCETIN IMMUNE HEALTH', and 'Sandus Zinc QUERCETIN'. A 'More images' button is also present.

## Quercetin



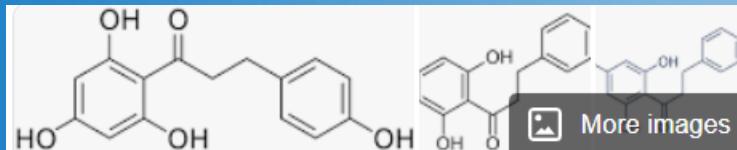
Quercetin is a plant flavonol from the flavonoid group of polyphenols. It is found in many fruits, vegetables, leaves, seeds, and grains; capers, red onions and kale are common foods containing appreciable amounts of quercetin. [Wikipedia](#)

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Quercetin Benefits	Additional Information
<b>Anti-inflammatory and Immune Boosting</b> Research has shown that quercetin displays anti-inflammatory and immune strengthening capabilities. One study even shows how quercetin was able to mitigate the inflammatory responses stimulated by the popular food additive carrageenan. Quercetin was also shown to be able to decrease the clinical indicators of arthritis.	<b>Recommended daily intake</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>200-250 mg/day or even lower.</li><li>Research shows that even small amounts are effective for everyday consumption.</li></ul>
<b>Possible Cancer fighting properties</b> Studies have shown that quercetin was able to restrain the growth of cancer and as such prevent the proliferation of cancer cells especially as it relates to certain types of cancers – colorectal, ovarian and breast cancer cells.	<b>Some foods that are high in quercetin</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Onions</li><li>Shallots</li><li>Asparagus</li><li>Green peppers</li><li>Tomatoes</li><li>Apples</li><li>Cranberries</li></ul>
<b>Cardiovascular Health</b> Research shows that quercetin was able to reduce some of the major risks factors of heart disease such as high blood pressure, oxidative stress and inflammation.	<b>Possible side effects</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Headaches</li><li>Stomach discomfort</li><li>Kidney damage (high doses).</li></ul>
<b>Anti-viral properties</b> Studies have shown that quercetin was effective in the prevention of viral or respiratory conditions as well as fight against viruses such as herpes and parainfluenza type 3.	
<b>Asthma</b> Research shows that quercetin is able to reduce inflammatory cells of the immune system as well as decrease the histamine levels which then helps to smooth the muscles of the airways and helps with breathing.	

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# PHLORETIN

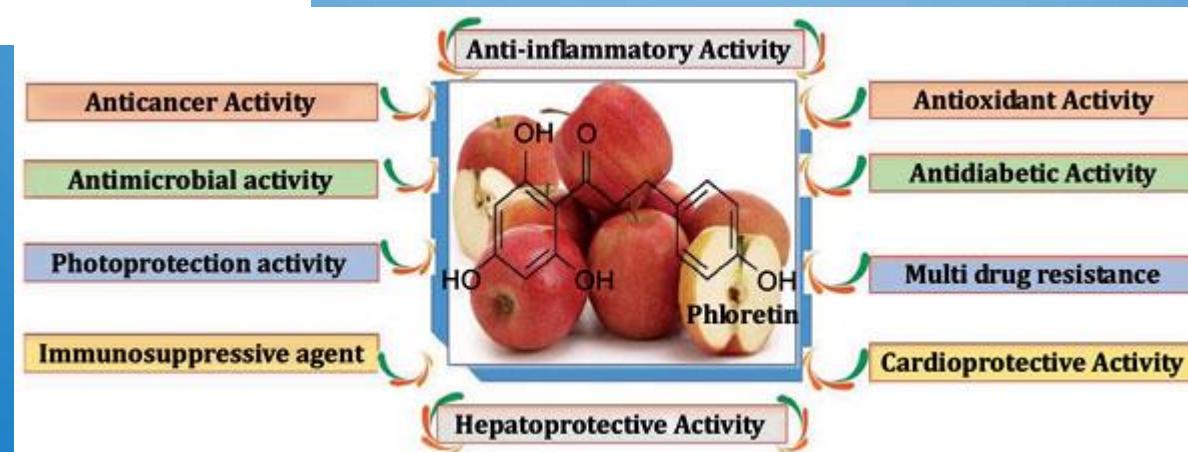


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## Phloretin



Phloretin is a dihydrochalcone, a type of natural phenol. It can be found in apple tree leaves and the Manchurian apricot. [Wikipedia](#)



# Fisetin

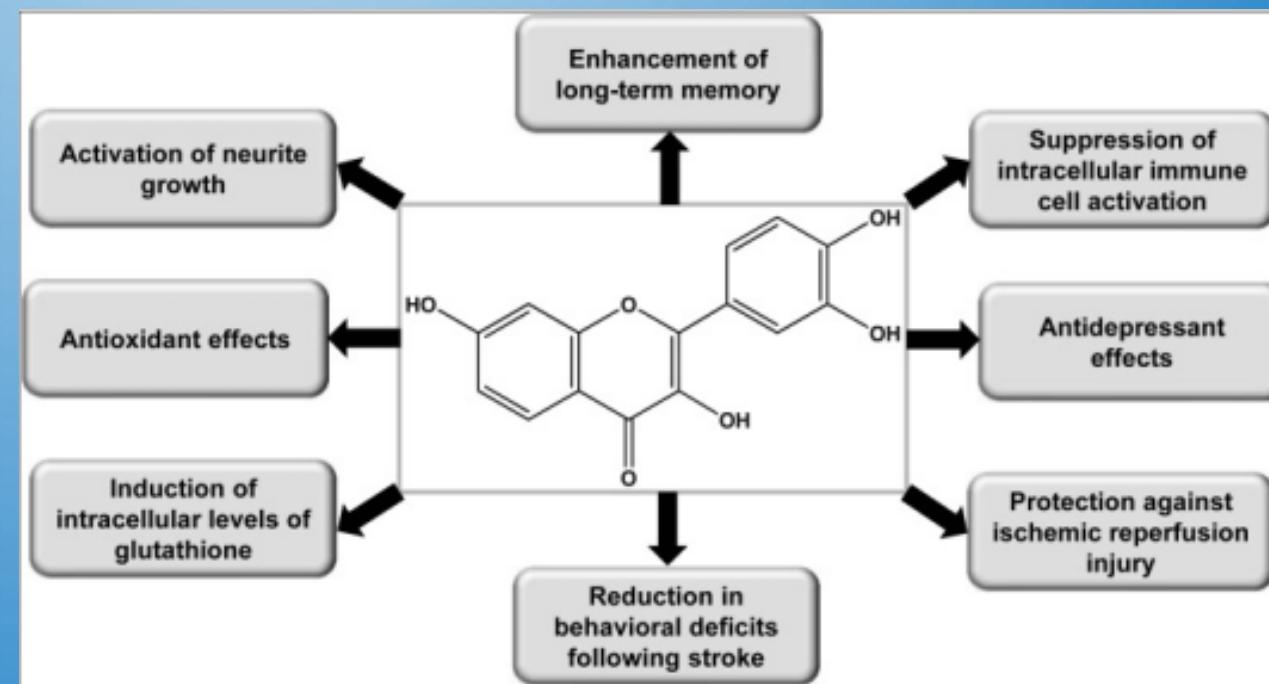


## Fisetin

Chemical compound

Fisetin is a plant flavonol from the flavonoid group of polyphenols. It can be found in many plants, where it serves as a yellow/ochre colouring agent. It is also found in many fruits and vegetables, such as strawberries, apples, persimmons, onions and cucumbers. [Wikipedia](#)

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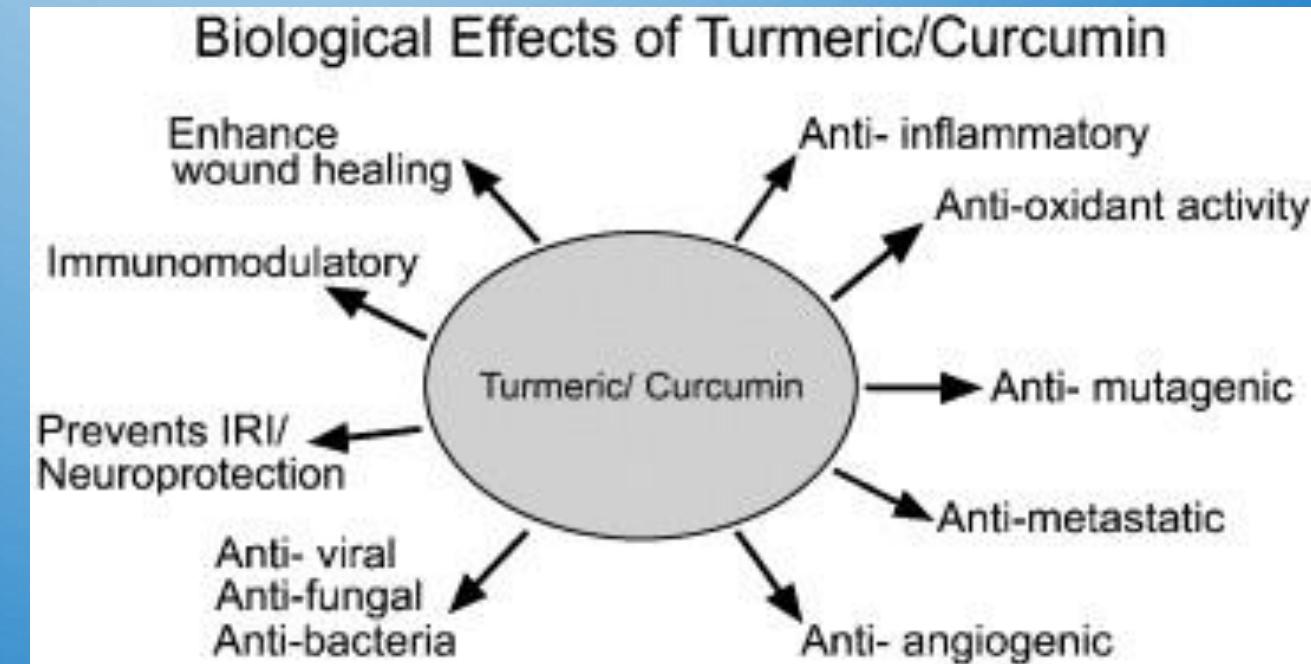


## Curcumin

Chemical compound

Curcumin is a bright yellow chemical produced by plants of the *Curcuma longa* species. It is the principal curcuminoid of turmeric, a member of the ginger family, Zingiberaceae. It is sold as an herbal

supplement, cosmetics ingredient, food flavoring, and food coloring. [Wikipedia](#)

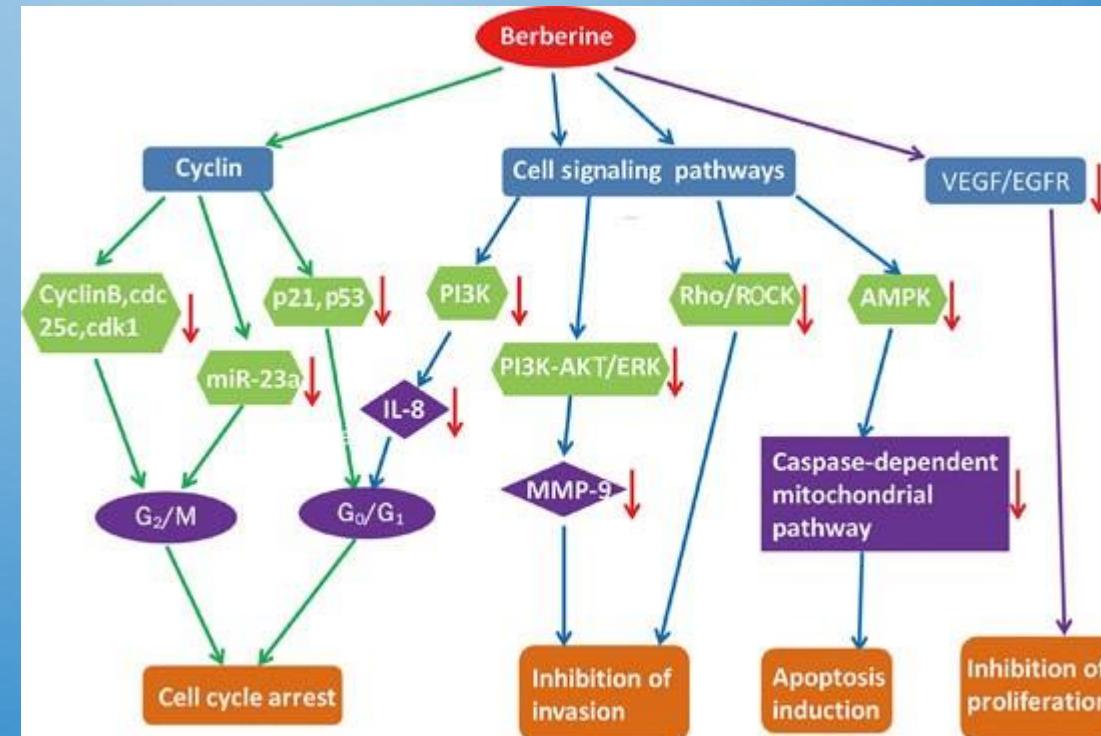


# BERBERIN, BERBERITZE

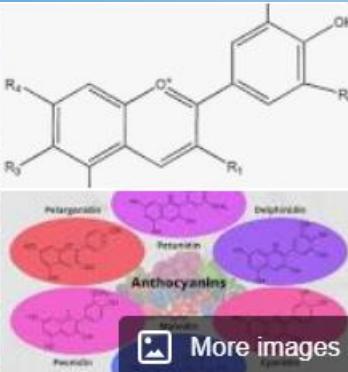


Berberine (Berberin)

Berberine is a quaternary ammonium salt from the protoberberine group of benzylisoquinoline alkaloids found in such plants as Berberis, such as Berberis vulgaris, Berberis aristata, Mahonia aquifolium, ...  
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# ANTHOCYANS



## Anthocyanin

Chemical compound



Anthocyanins are water-soluble vacuolar pigments that, depending on their pH, may appear red, purple, blue, or black. In 1835, the German pharmacist Ludwig Clamor Marquart gave the name Anthokyan to a chemical compound that gives flowers a blue color for the first time in his treatise "Die Farben der Blüthen".

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## HEALTH BENEFITS OF anthocyanins

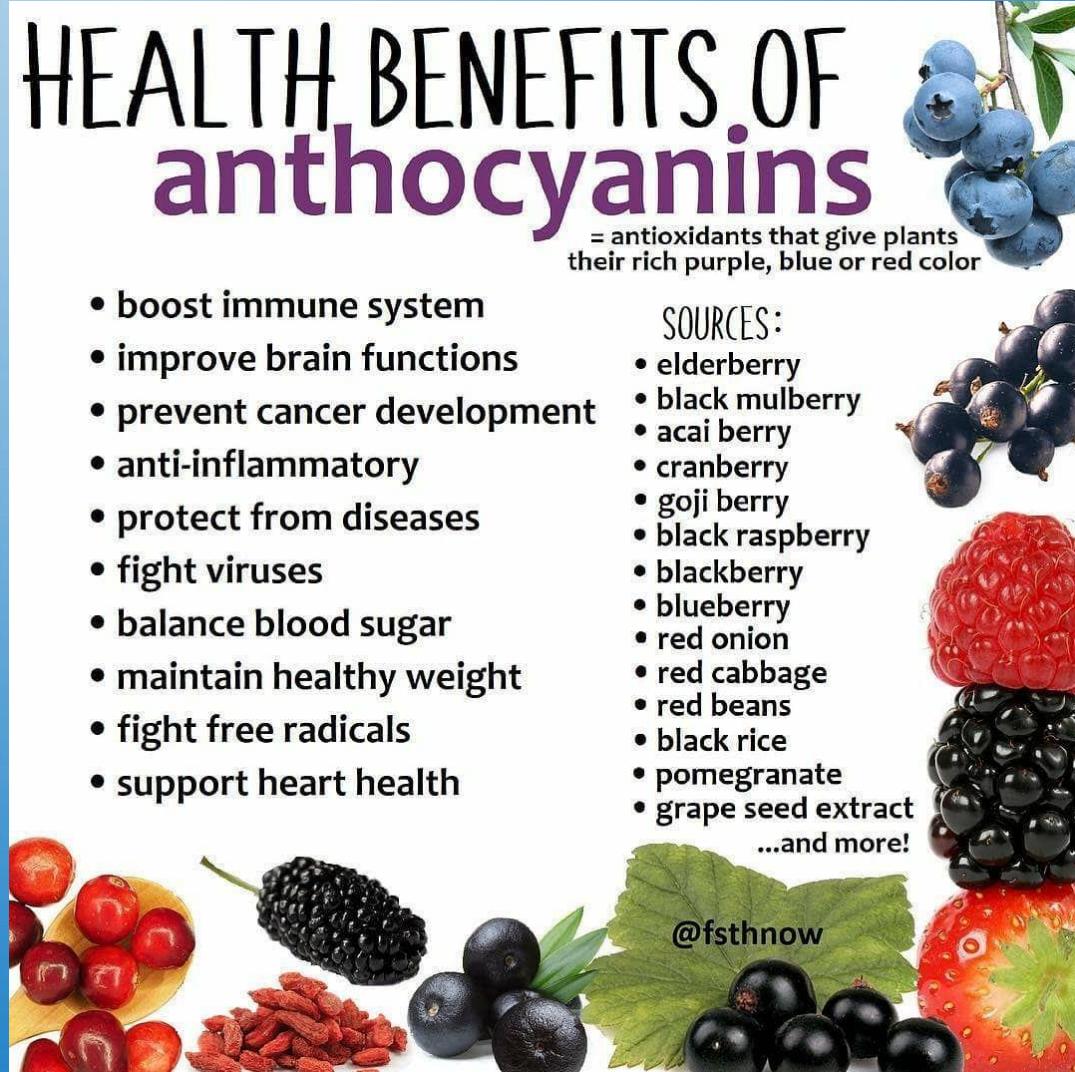
= antioxidants that give plants their rich purple, blue or red color

- boost immune system
- improve brain functions
- prevent cancer development
- anti-inflammatory
- protect from diseases
- fight viruses
- balance blood sugar
- maintain healthy weight
- fight free radicals
- support heart health

### SOURCES:

- elderberry
- black mulberry
- acai berry
- cranberry
- goji berry
- black raspberry
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- blueberry
- red onion
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- red beans
- black rice
- pomegranate
- grape seed extract

...and more!



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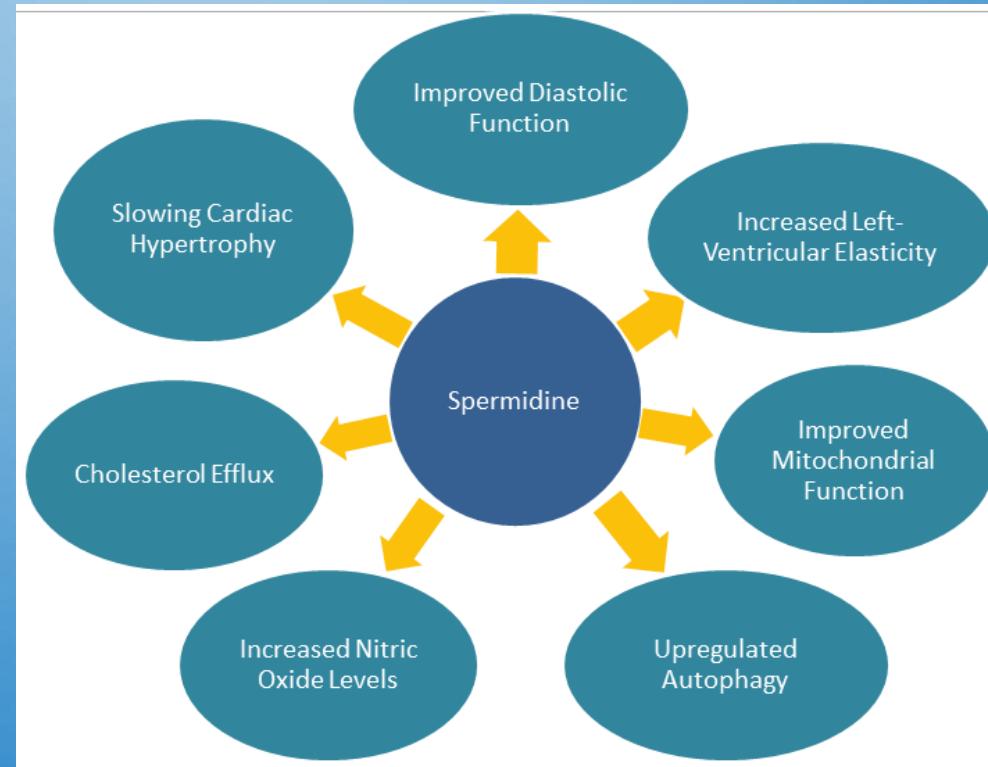
# SPERMIDIN



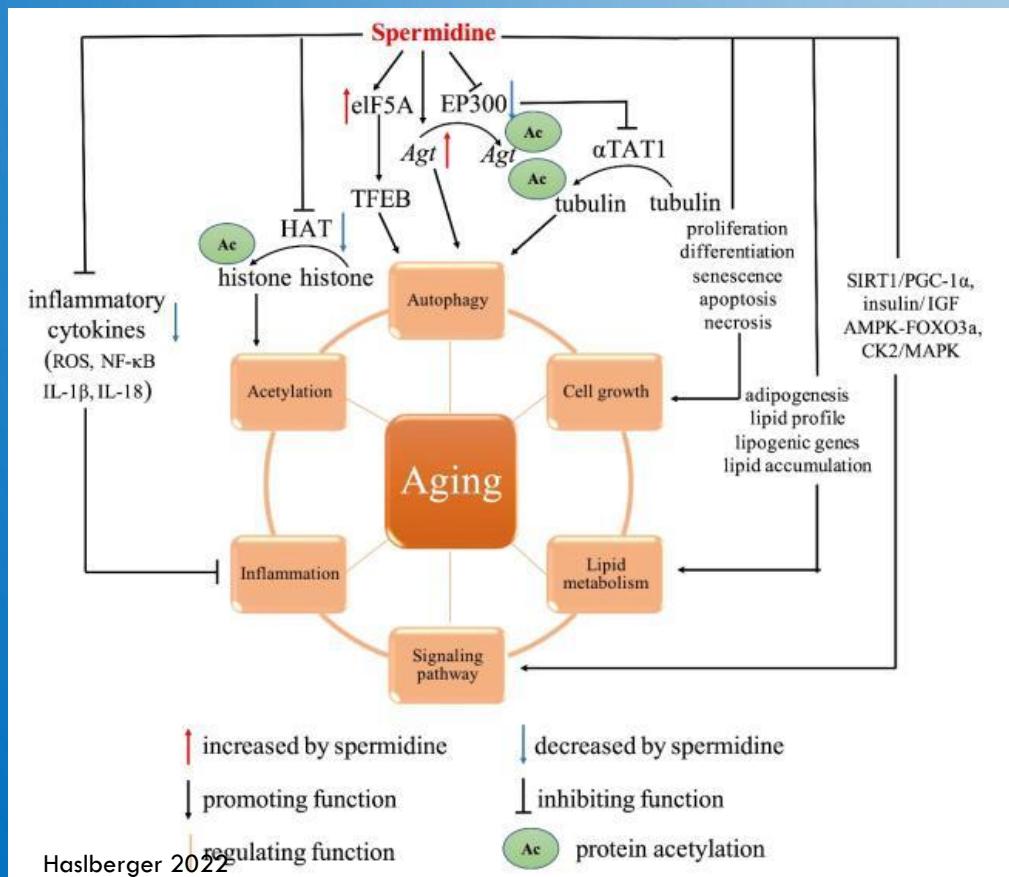
**Spermidine (Spermidin)**

Chemical compound

Spermidine is a polyamine compound found in living tissues and having various metabolic functions within organisms. It was originally isolated from semen. [Wikipedia](#)



# SPERMIDINE MECHANISMS



Molecular and cellular mechanisms of spermidine in age-related diseases. Spermidine is an inducer of autophagy, which is the main mechanism of anti-aging. First, spermidine triggers **autophagy by modulating the expressions of Atg genes**. Second, it regulates **transcription factor elF5A** to promote the synthesis of transcription factor **TFEB**. Third, spermidine **inhibits EP300**, which directly promotes the acetylation of Atg genes and indirectly stimulates deacetylation of tubulin due to inhibition of  **$\alpha$ TAT1**. Besides, spermidine exerts potent anti-inflammatory roles by **suppressing of multiple inflammatory cytokines, such as ROS, NF- $\kappa$ B, IL-1 $\beta$  and IL-18**. Moreover, it is involved in regulation of **cell proliferation, differentiation, senescence, apoptosis and necrosis**, ultimately promoting cell growth and inhibiting cell death.

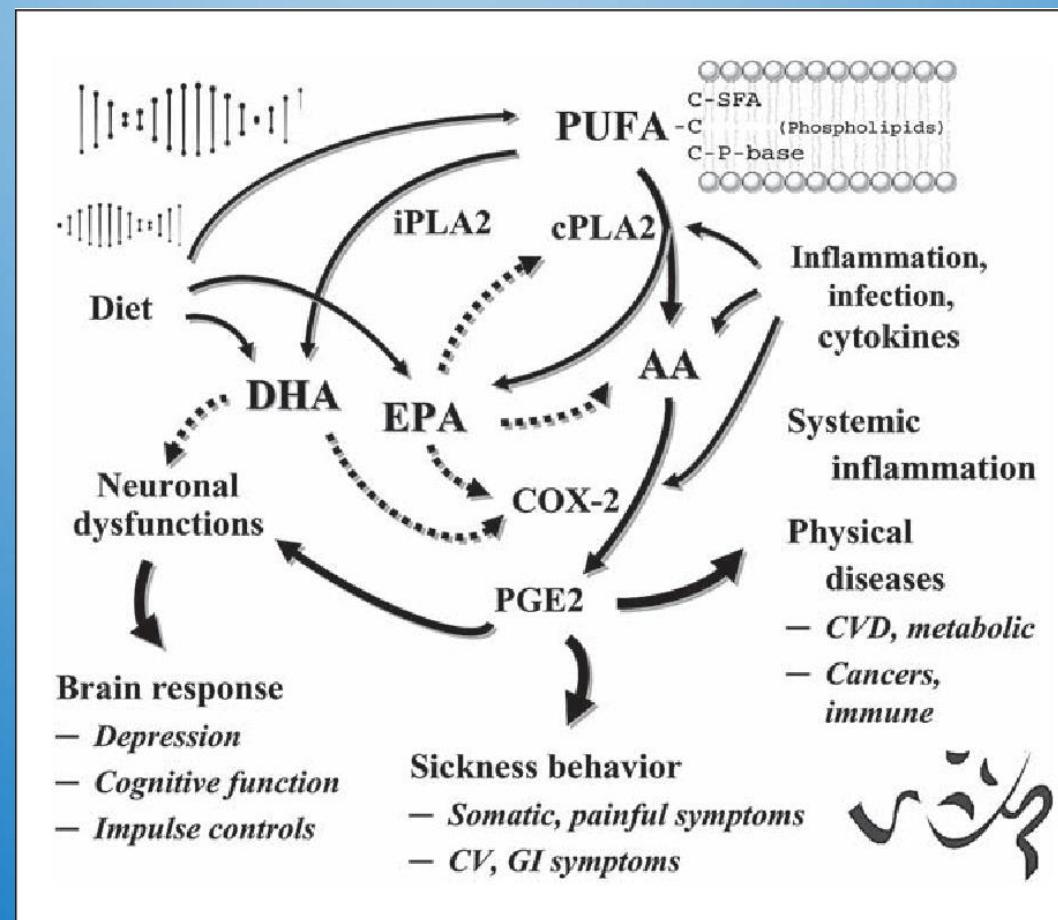
As an anti-aging agent, spermidine suppresses histone acetylation. Moreover, spermidine regulates lipid metabolism. On the one hand, it promotes the differentiation of preadipocytes into mature adipocytes. On the other hand, it alters lipid profile, modulates lipogenic gene expressions, and represses lipid accumulation. Furthermore, spermidine can delay aging through specific signaling pathways, such as SIRT1/PGC-1 $\alpha$ , insulin/IGF, AMPK-FOXO3a, and CK2/MAPK signaling pathways.

# FISHOIL, EPA, DHA

## Fish oil

Fish oil is oil derived from the tissues of oily fish. Fish oils contain the omega-3 fatty acids eicosapentaenoic acid and docosahexaenoic acid, precursors of certain eicosanoids that are known to reduce inflammation in the body and improve hypertriglyceridemia. [Wikipedia](#)

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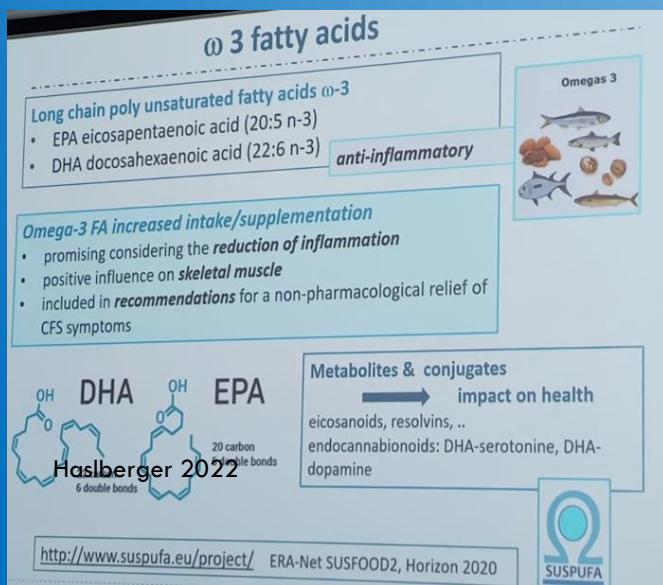


# Conclusion

- Quite less ambiguity persists about a true place for marine  $\omega 3$  to prevent IR
- In healthy humans, 1.8 g/d modestly increase insulin sensitivity
- But 850 mg/d aggravate dexamethasone-induced IR
- The most recent and complete meta-analysis conclude to their preventive effect towards IR
- 4 Meta-analysis conclude to a protective effect in Asian but potentially deleterious in Western populations towards the risk of T2D, probably due to the heterogeneity of western studies and a high n-6/n-3 ratio in western populations

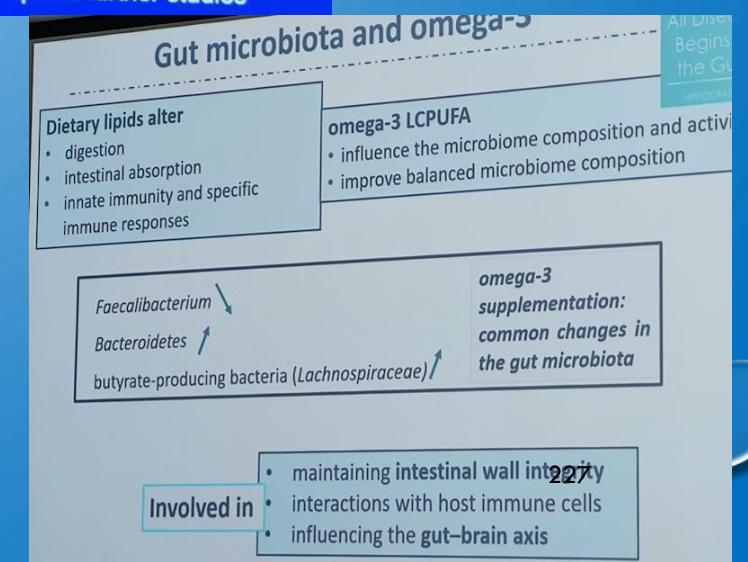
Marine  $\omega 3$  are certainly useful if given early and throughout life cycle, probably at least  $> 1\text{ g/d}$  in adults AND in combination with exercise and maintenance of normal weight.

Personalized dosage should also be considered, which requires further studies

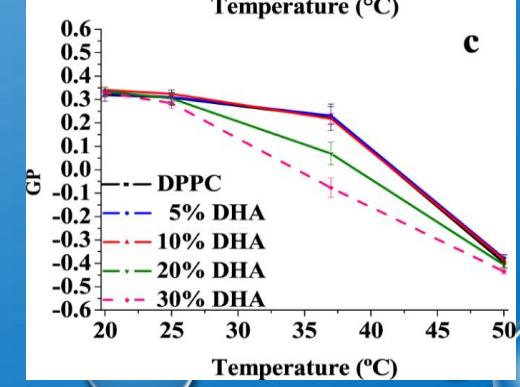
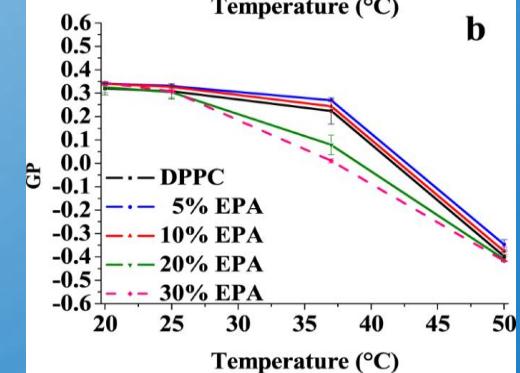
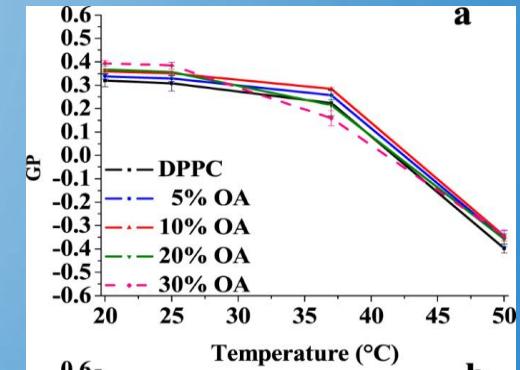
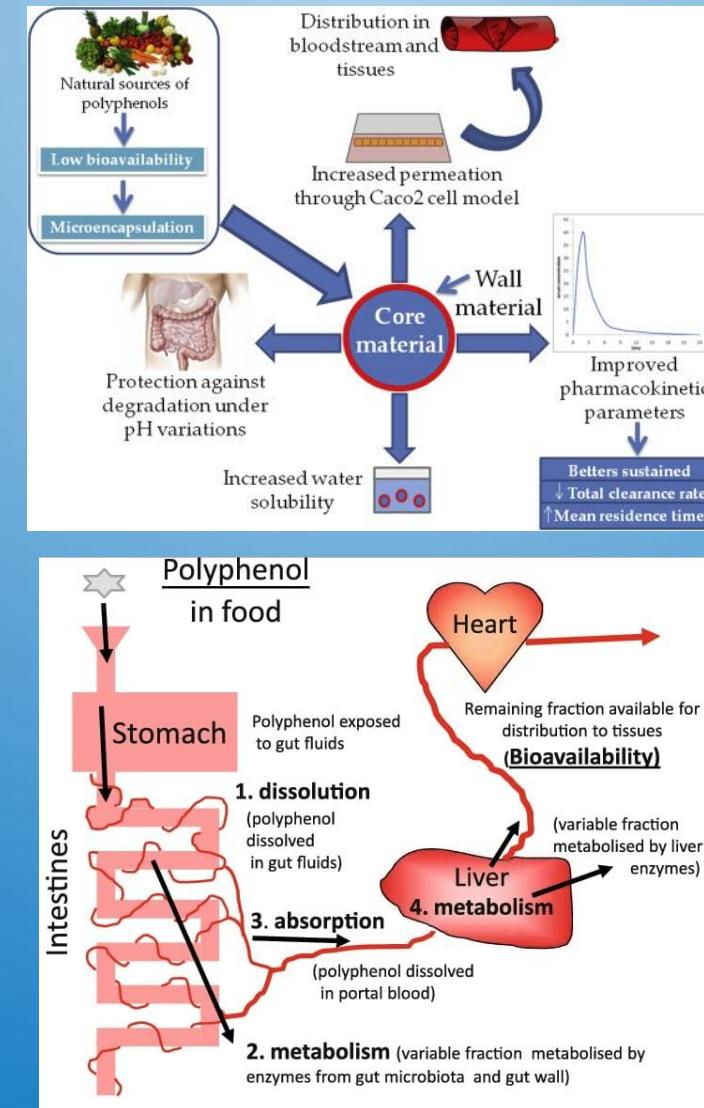
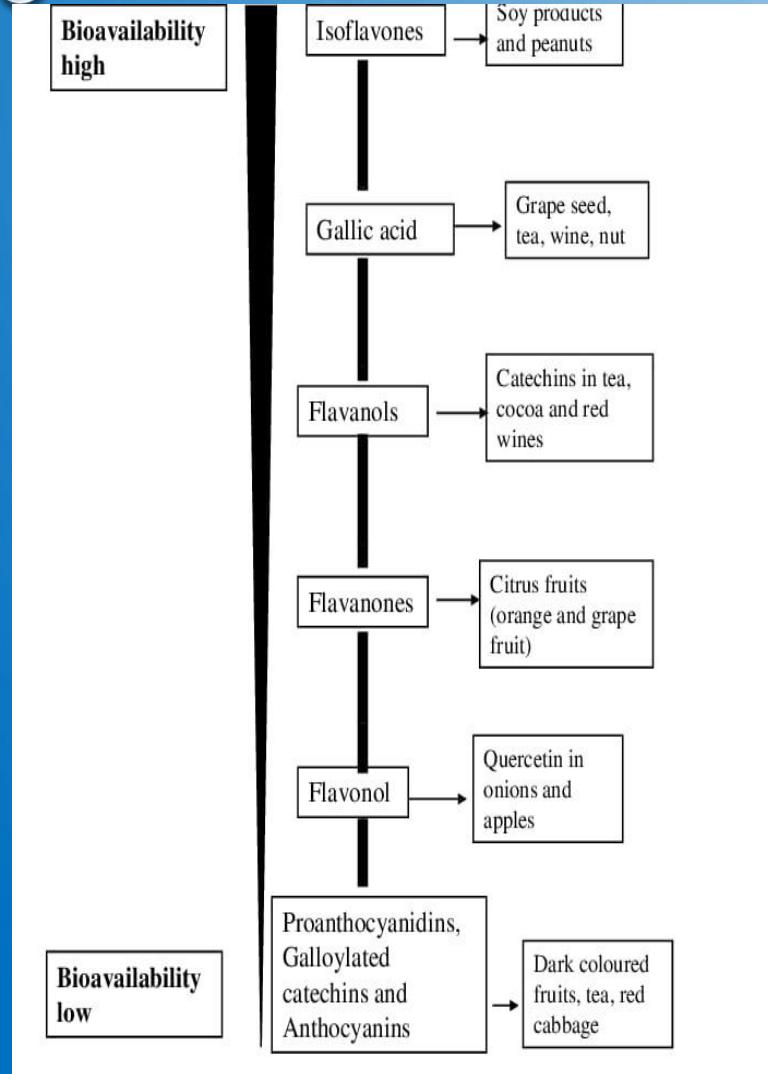


## Marine $\omega 3$ increase insulin sensitivity in people with metabolic disorders

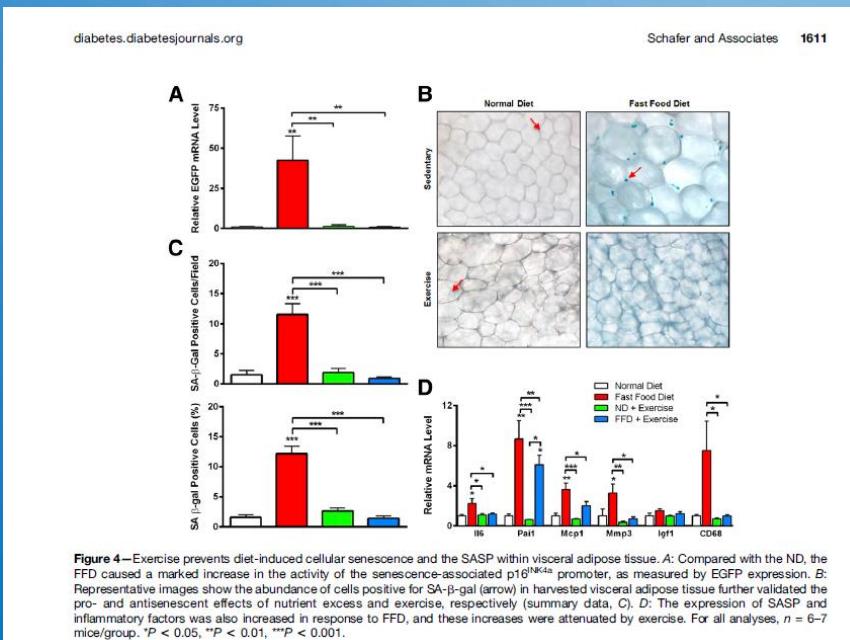
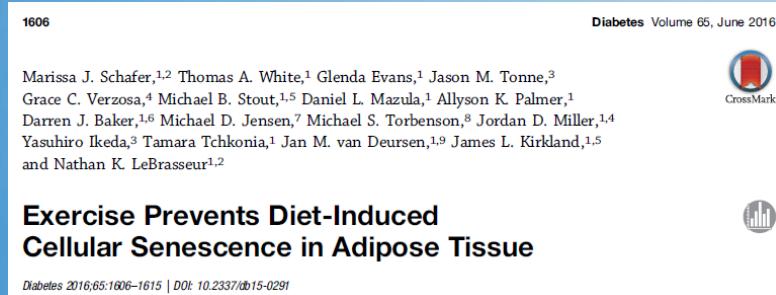
Subgroup	No. of studies	SMD (95%CI)	P value
Methods of insulin sensitivity			
Clamps	4	0.10(-0.18-0.44)	0.41
HOMA	9	0.28(-0.08-0.63)	0.13
QUICKI	3	0.15(-0.68-0.97)	0.73
Glucose tolerance	1	0.19(-0.05-0.42)	0.79
Population			
T2DM	8	0.12(-0.22-0.45)	0.50
Metabolic disorders			
Metabolic disorders	5	0.53(0.17-0.88)	<0.001
Healthy people			
Healthy people	4	-0.15(-0.53-0.24)	0.46
Dose			
≥2 g	14	0.17(-0.11-0.46)	0.24
<2 g	3	0.26(-0.04-0.56)	0.09
Duration			
≥12w	9	0.09(-0.25-0.44)	0.60
<12w	8	0.31(-0.01-0.61)	0.04



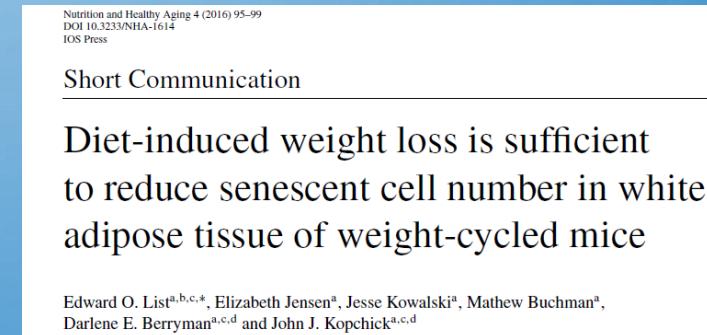
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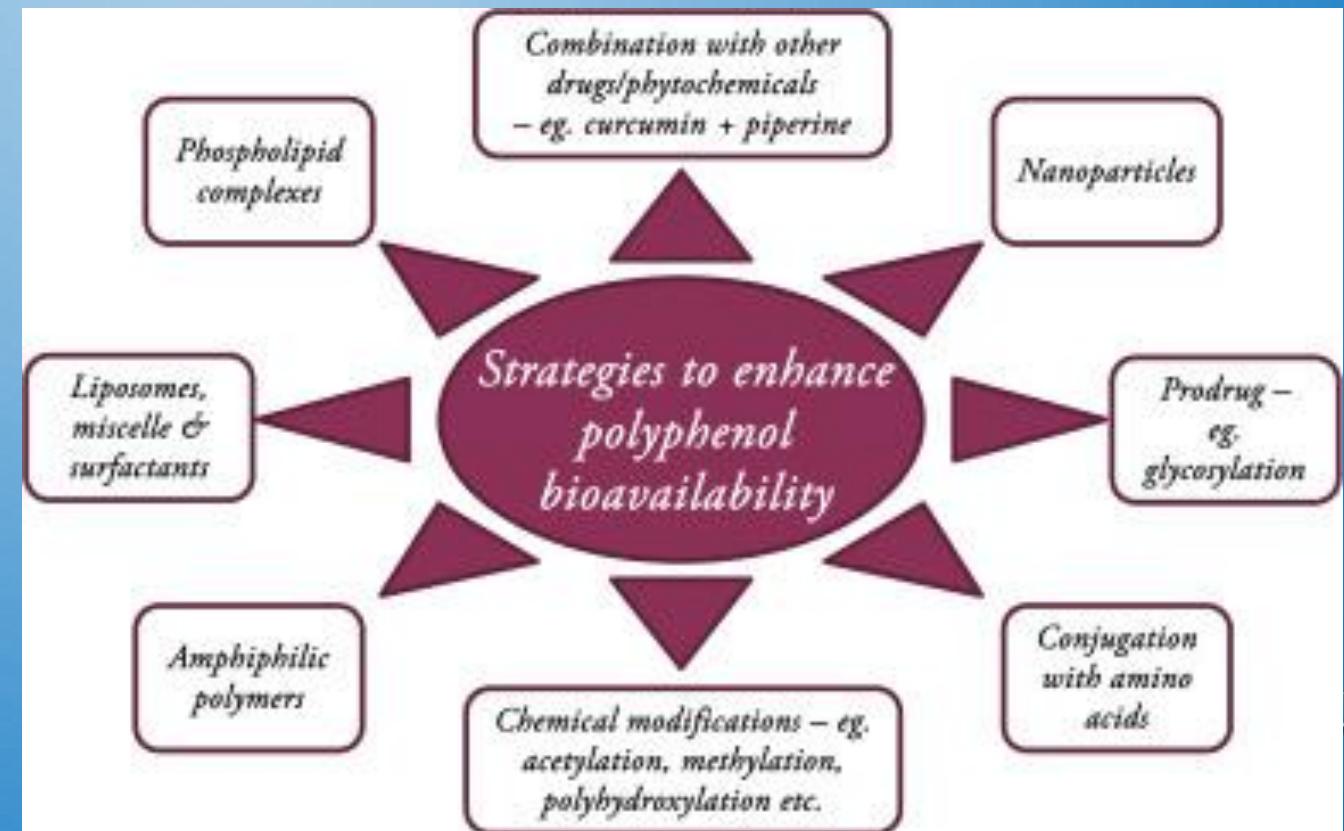


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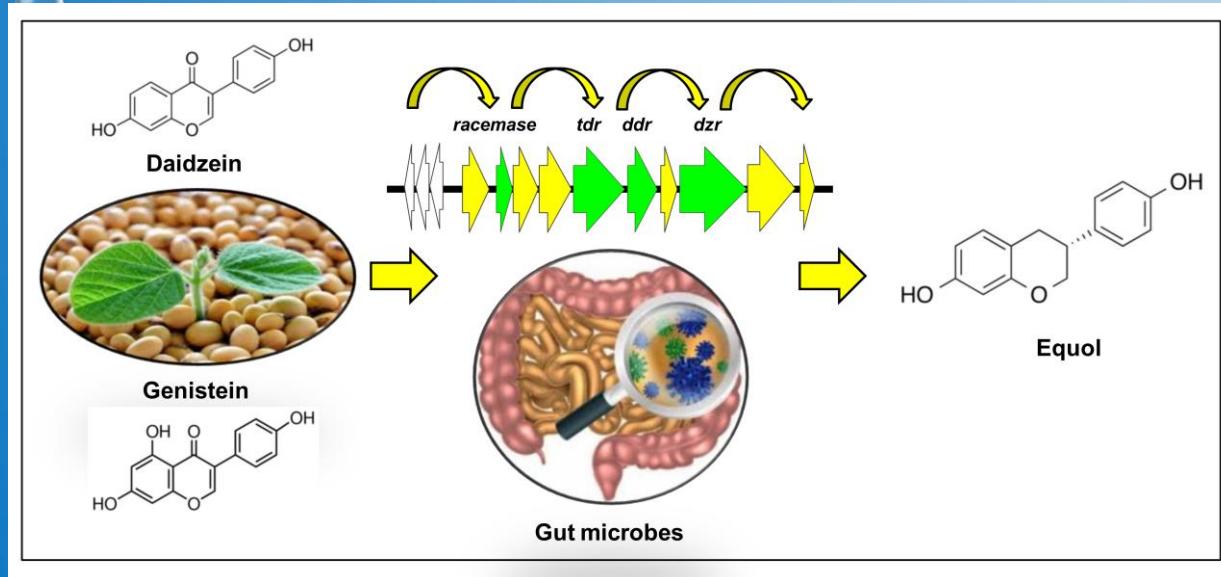


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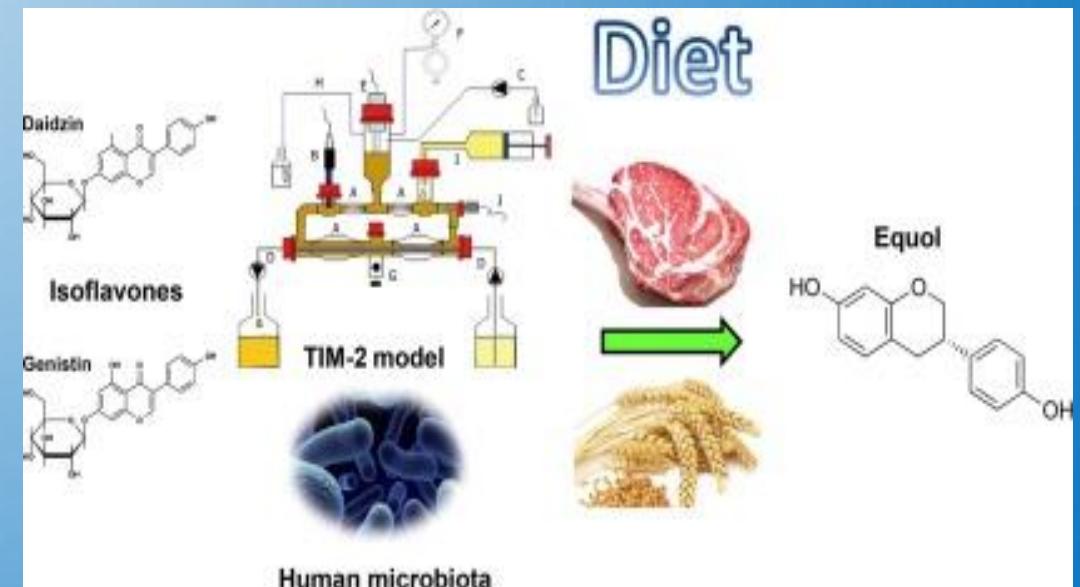
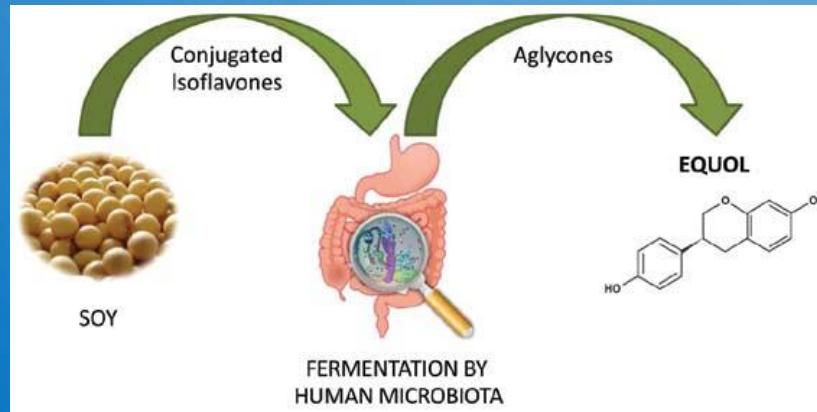
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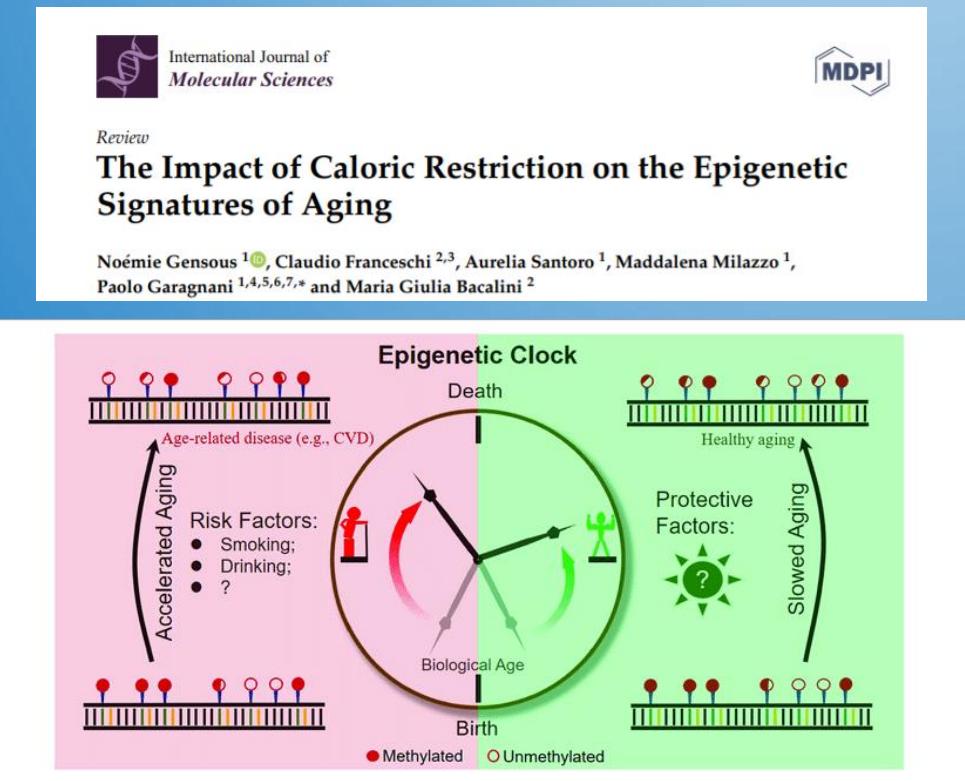


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# Caloric restriction improves healthy aging, role for epigenetic regulation as seen in epigenetic clock



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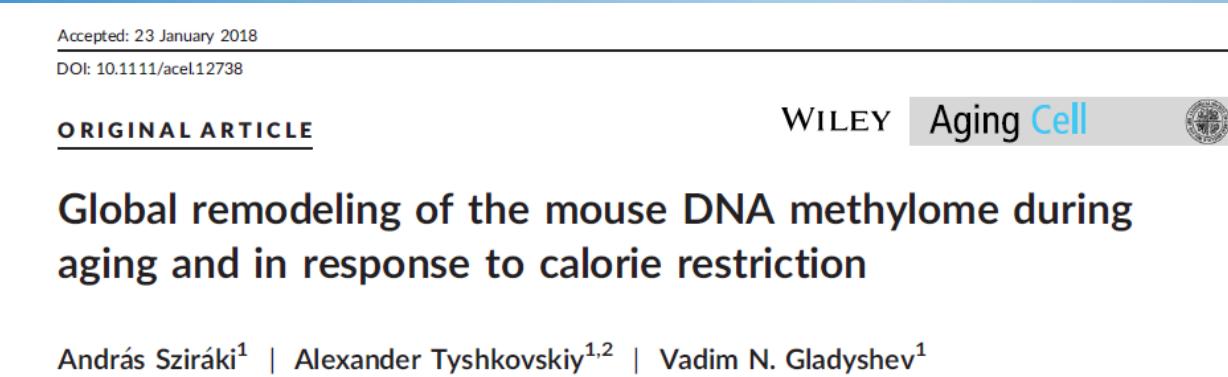


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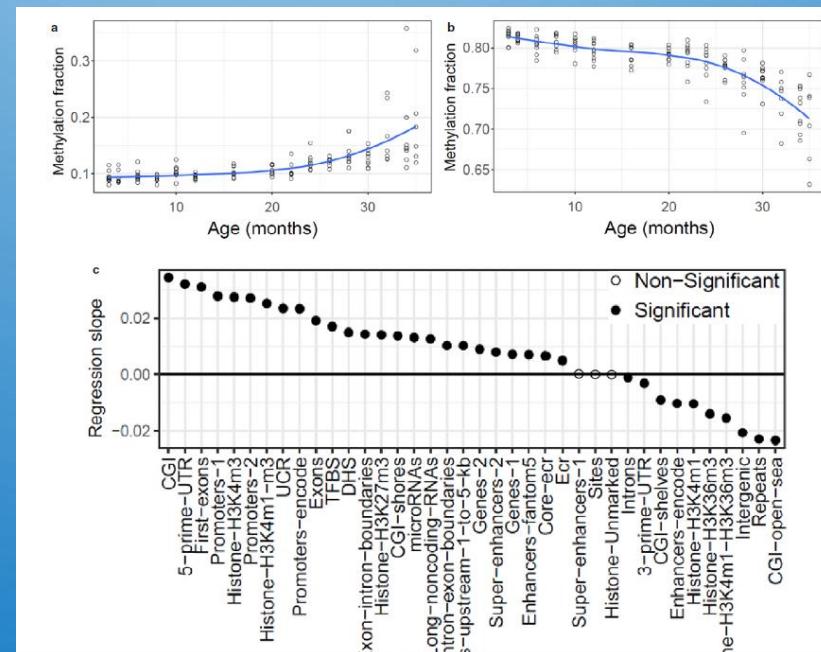
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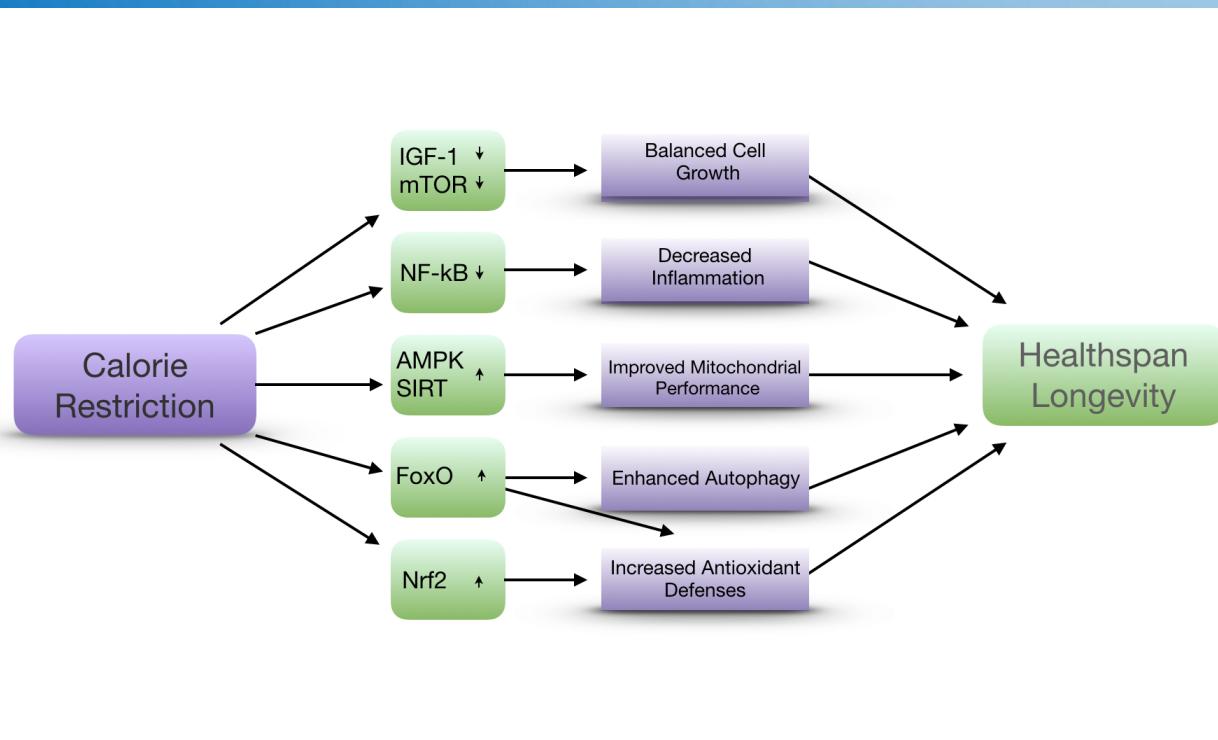


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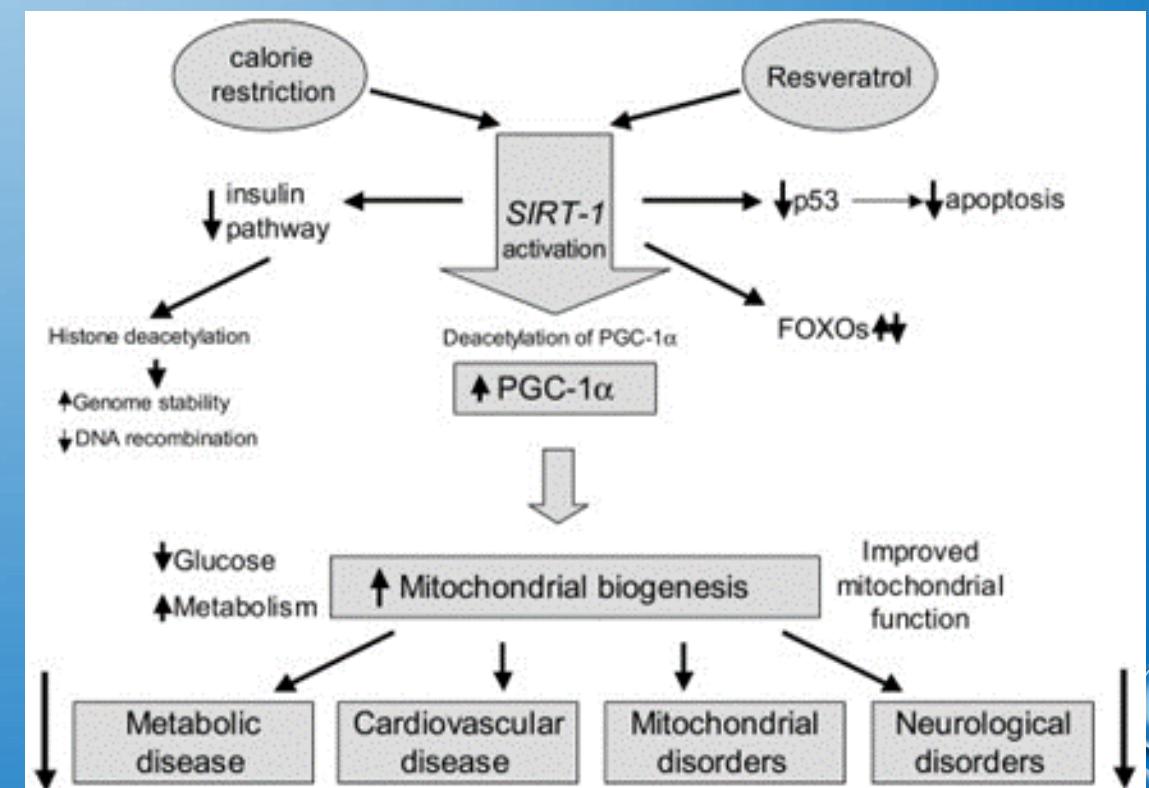
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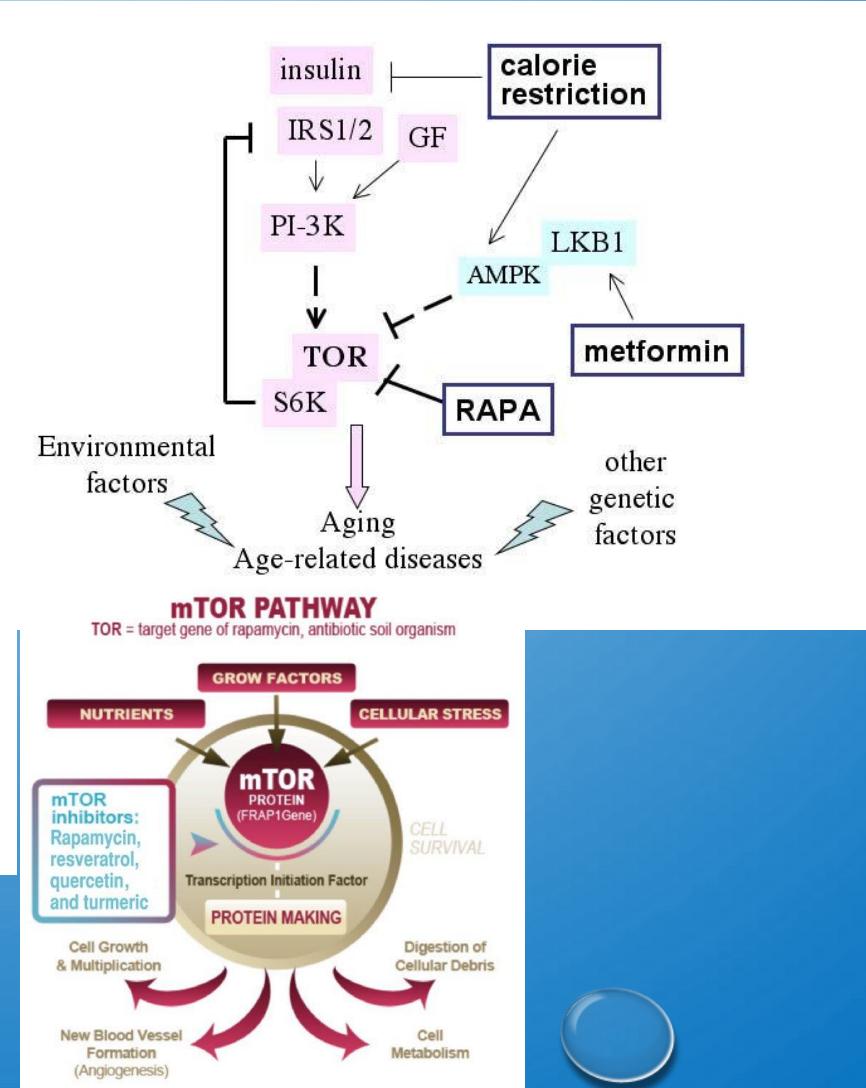
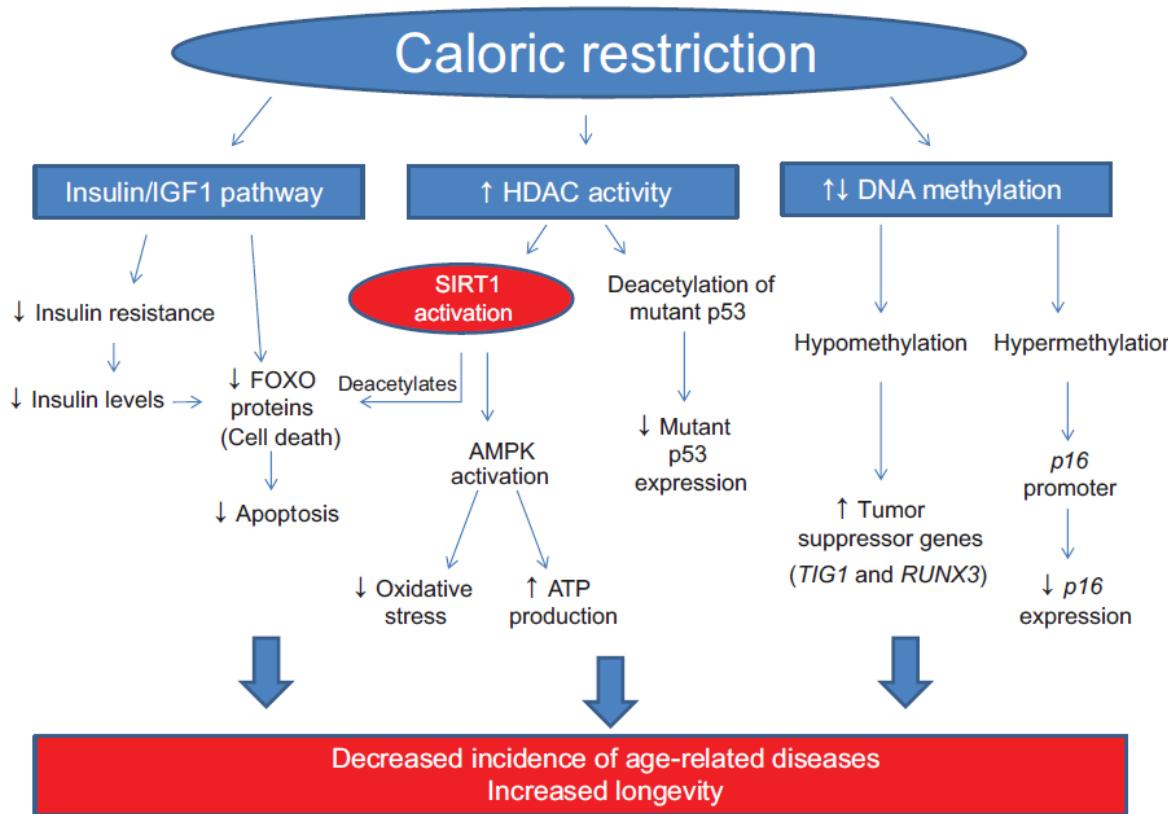
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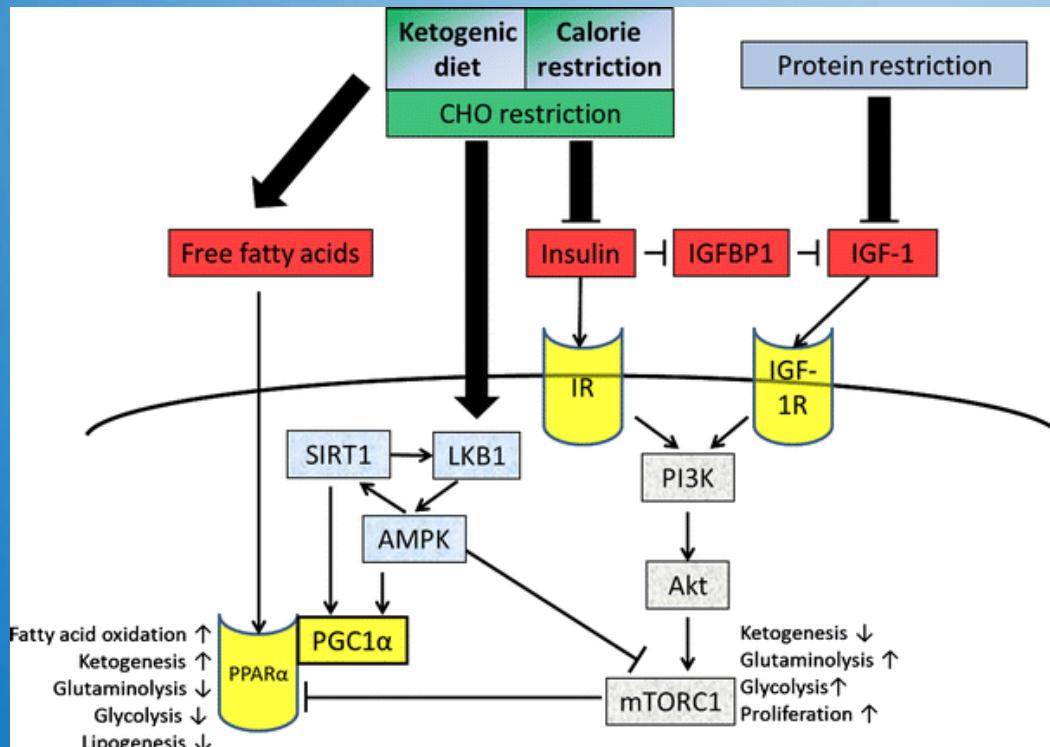
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# FASTING PATHWAYS: SIRT, mTOR PATHWAYS



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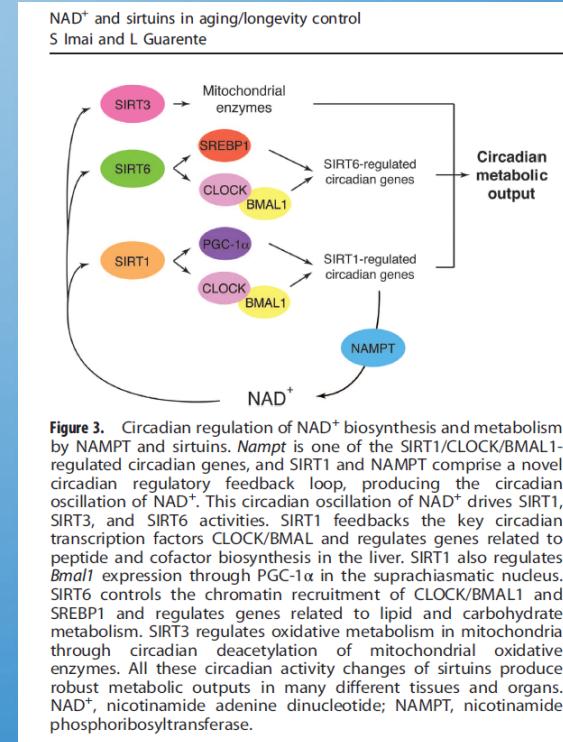
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## Ketosis, ketogenic diet and food intake control: a complex relationship

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**Figure 3.** Circadian regulation of NAD<sup>+</sup> biosynthesis and metabolism by NAMPT and sirtuins. *Nampt* is one of the SIRT1/CLOCK/BMAL1-regulated circadian genes, and SIRT1 and NAMPT comprise a novel circadian regulatory feedback loop, producing the circadian oscillation of NAD<sup>+</sup>. This circadian oscillation of NAD<sup>+</sup> drives SIRT1, SIRT3, and SIRT6 activities. SIRT1 feedbacks the key circadian transcription factors CLOCK/BMAL and regulates genes related to peptide and cofactor biosynthesis in the liver. SIRT1 also regulates *Bmal1* expression through PGC-1α in the suprachiasmatic nucleus. SIRT6 controls the chromatin recruitment of CLOCK/BMAL1 and SREBP1 and regulates genes related to lipid and carbohydrate metabolism. SIRT3 regulates oxidative metabolism in mitochondria through circadian deacetylation of mitochondrial oxidative enzymes. All these circadian activity changes of sirtuins produce robust metabolic outputs in many different tissues and organs. NAD<sup>+</sup>, nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide; NAMPT, nicotinamide phosphoribosyltransferase.

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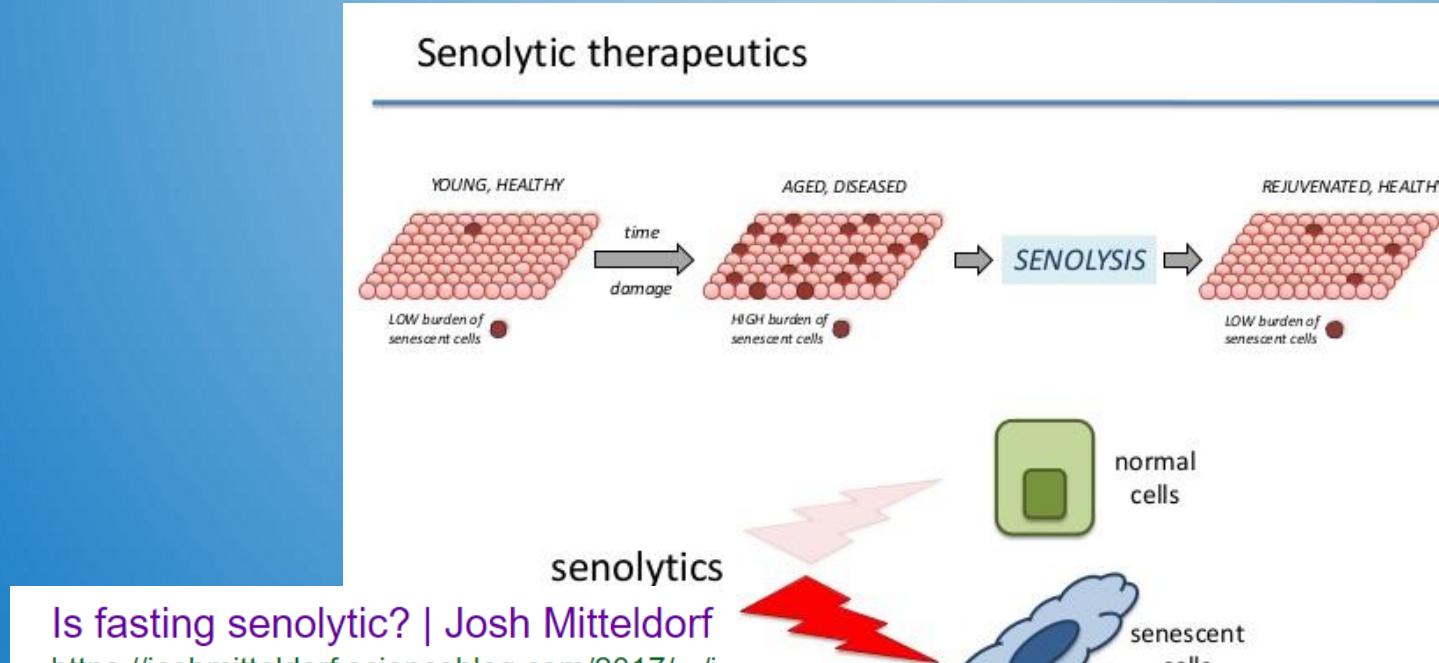
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## Increased gut microbiota diversity and abundance of *Faecalibacterium prausnitzii* and *Akkermansia* after fasting: a pilot study

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## Why Your Gut Microbes Love Intermittent Fasting

Did you know that most of the cells that make up your body aren't human at all? Some of them are microbial... and when you fast with the [LIFE Fasting Tracker app](#), they fast too.

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### Fastenkuren sind gut für den Darm

Studien aus der Tierwelt haben schon öfters bewiesen, dass Fasten das Leben verlängern kann. Untersuchungen zu Menschen gibt es vergleichsweise wenig. Ein Wiener Forscher hat nun aber 60 Probanden im Dienste der Wissenschaft fasten lassen. Ergebnis: Neben allgemeinem Wohlbefinden konnte sich auch die Darmflora erholen.

**Conclusions** Our results show that caloric restriction affects gut microbiota by proliferating mucin-degrading microbial subpopulations. An additional intervention with a probiotic formula increased probiotic-administered gut microbial populations.

# CALORIC RESTRICTION- LONGEVITY FASTING MIMETICS AND SENOLYTICS ?

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**Fasting and fasting mimetic supplementation address sirtuin expression, miRNA and microbiota composition**

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*Fastenmimetika aktivieren Reparaturmechanismen, die den Alterungsprozess der Zelle bremsen können.*  
Univ.-Prof Dr.  
Alexander Haslberger

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### METABOLIC DISEASE

## Fasting-mimicking diet and markers/risk factors for aging, diabetes, cancer, and cardiovascular disease

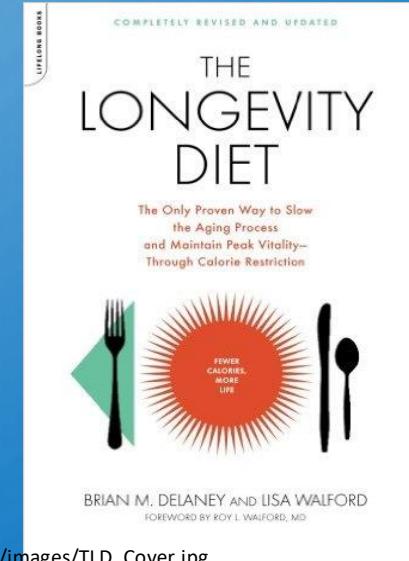
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### Mit einer Pille Lebensstil-Sünden verhindern



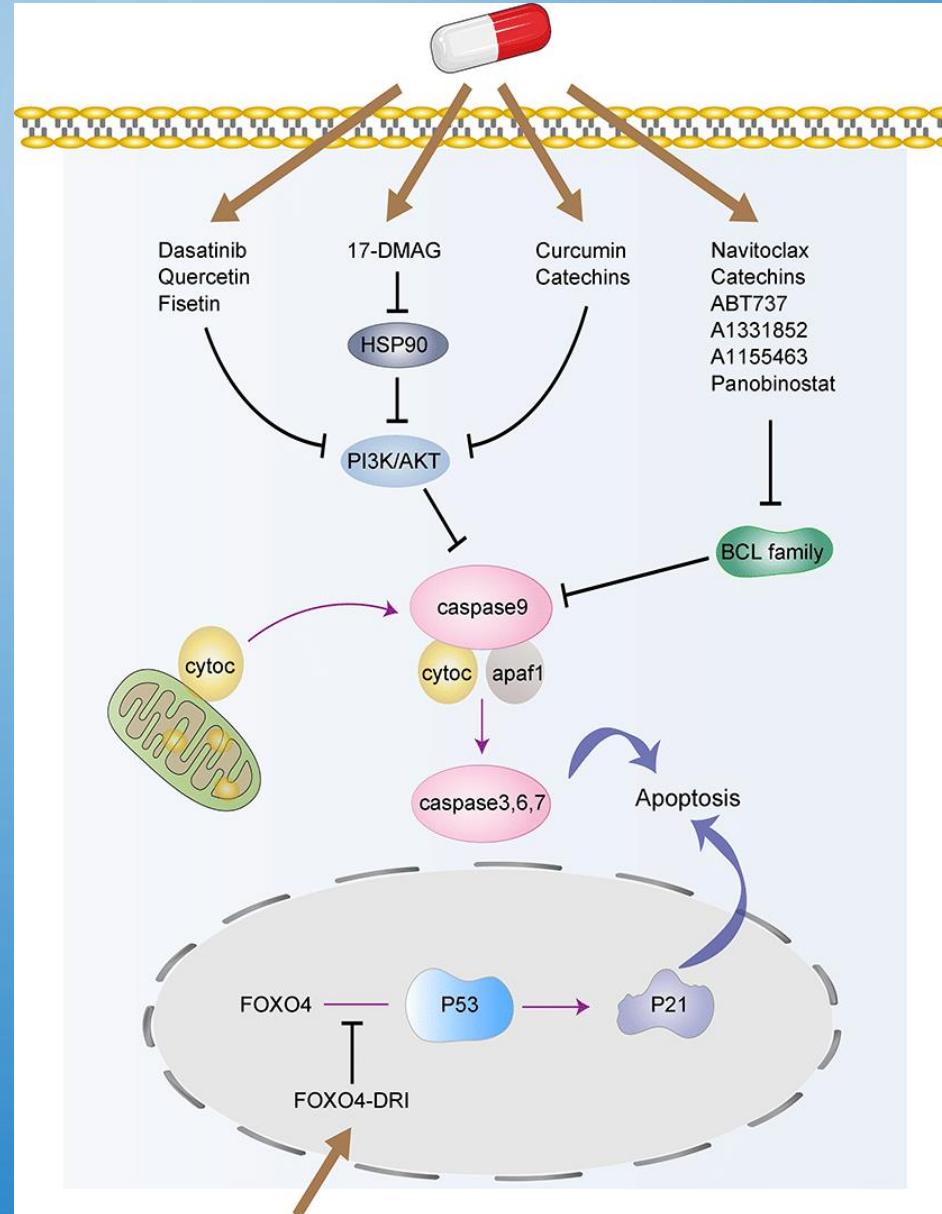
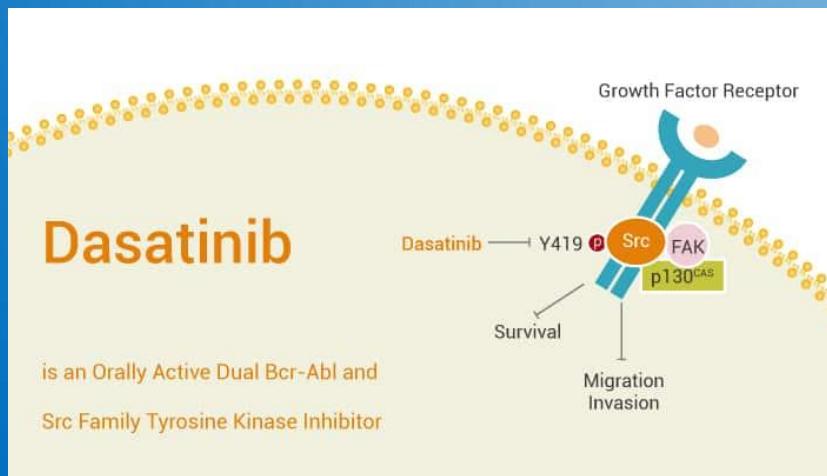
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Für immer jung? Nährstoff-Kombination soll helfen, DNA-Schäden zu reparieren. Experten sind skeptisch.

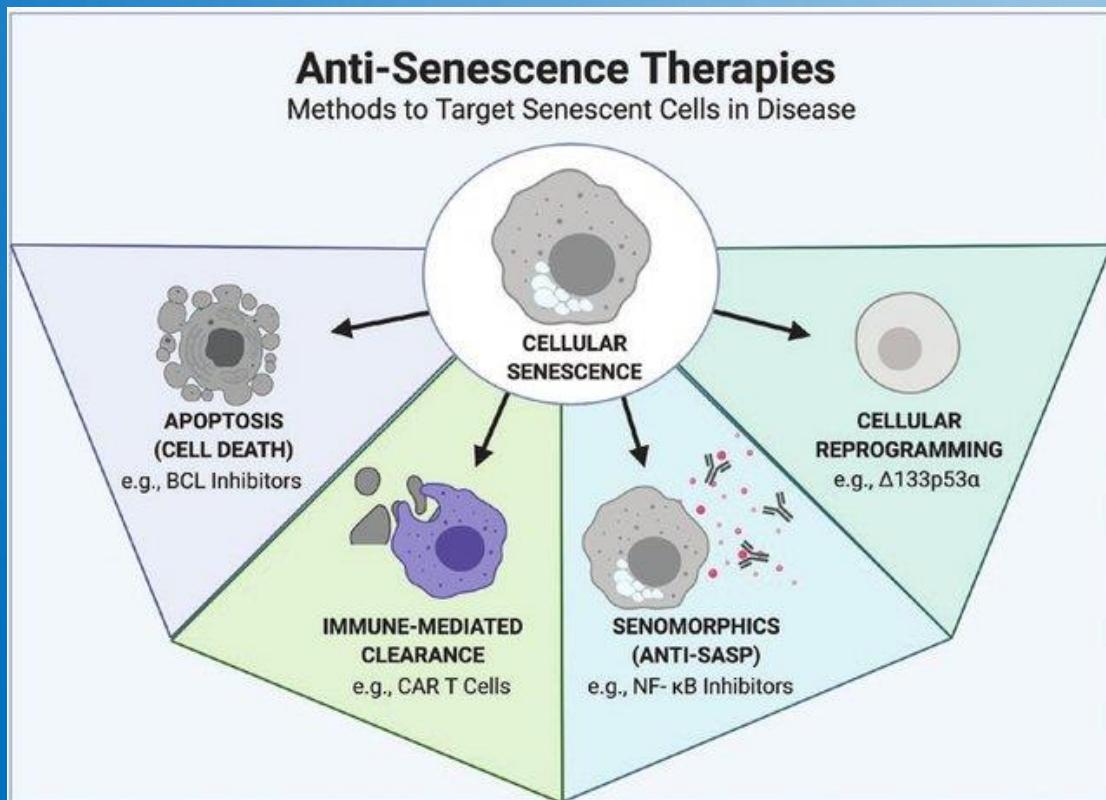


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# SENOlytics QUECETIN,CURCUMIN, CATECHINS, Fisetin,... + DASATINIB MARKETS



# ANTI SENESCENCE STRATEGIES



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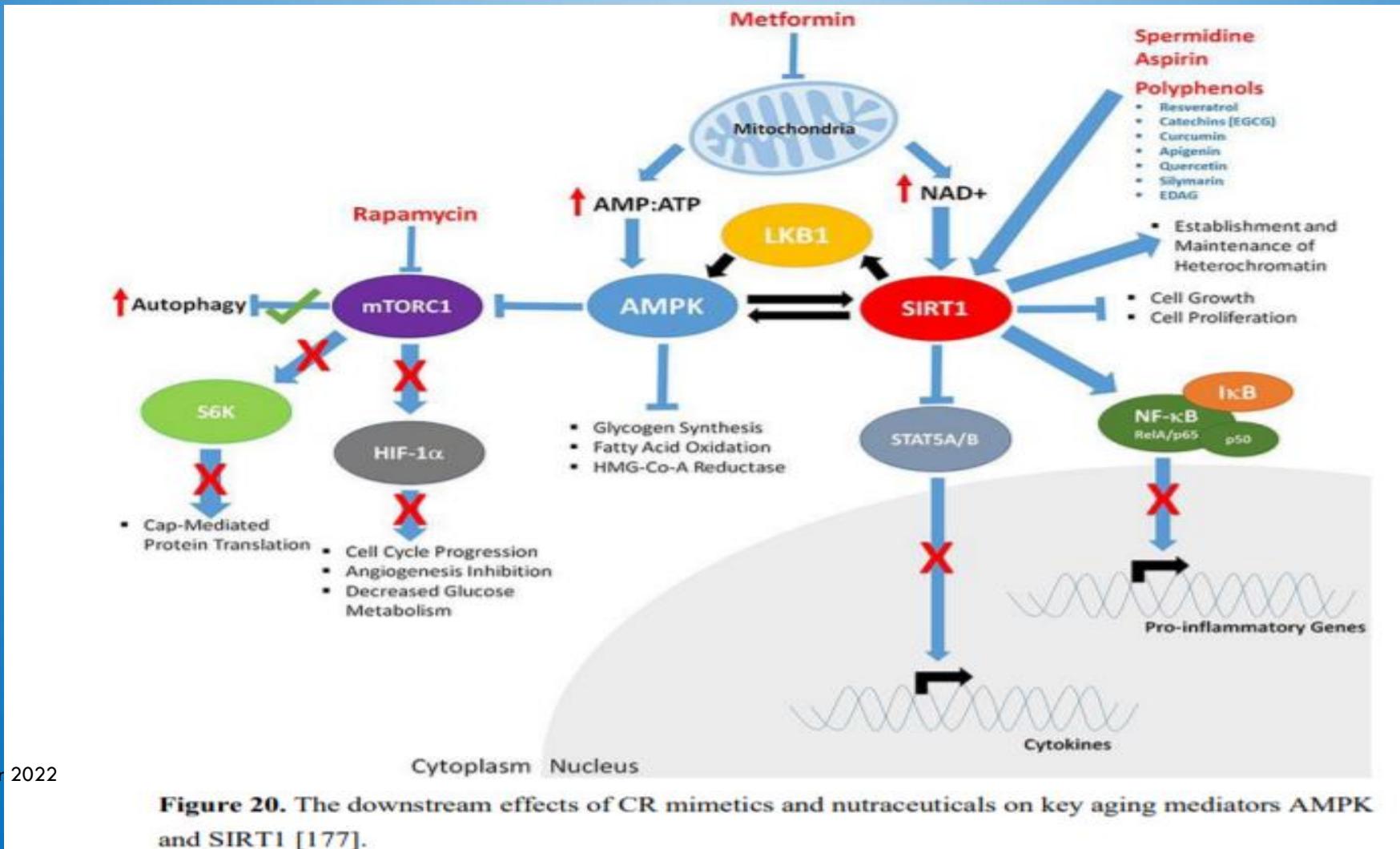
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# CR- MIMETICS



# STUDY SENOLYTICS, SENESCENCE MARKERS IN BRDU TREATED PRE-ADIPOCYTES, ADIPOCYTES, 3T3

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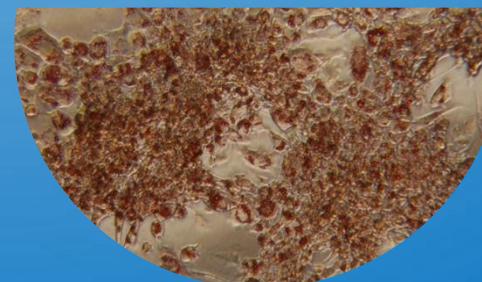


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## Bromodeoxyuridine Induces Senescence



B-Gal, senescence



Adipocytes,  
fat droplets



# CASE STUDY: COMPARING FASTING AND A FASTING MIMETIC SIRT-FOOD SHOT: MICROBIOTA, EPIGENETICS



Buchinger Fasting < 120 kcal/day  
n: 22 in Pernegg Monastery

Feces , blood spots, before and  
After the end, first solid feces

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Illumina sequencing, Line 1 methylation bisulfite qPCR, HR-MCA,  
RNA, MiRNA RT QPCRi



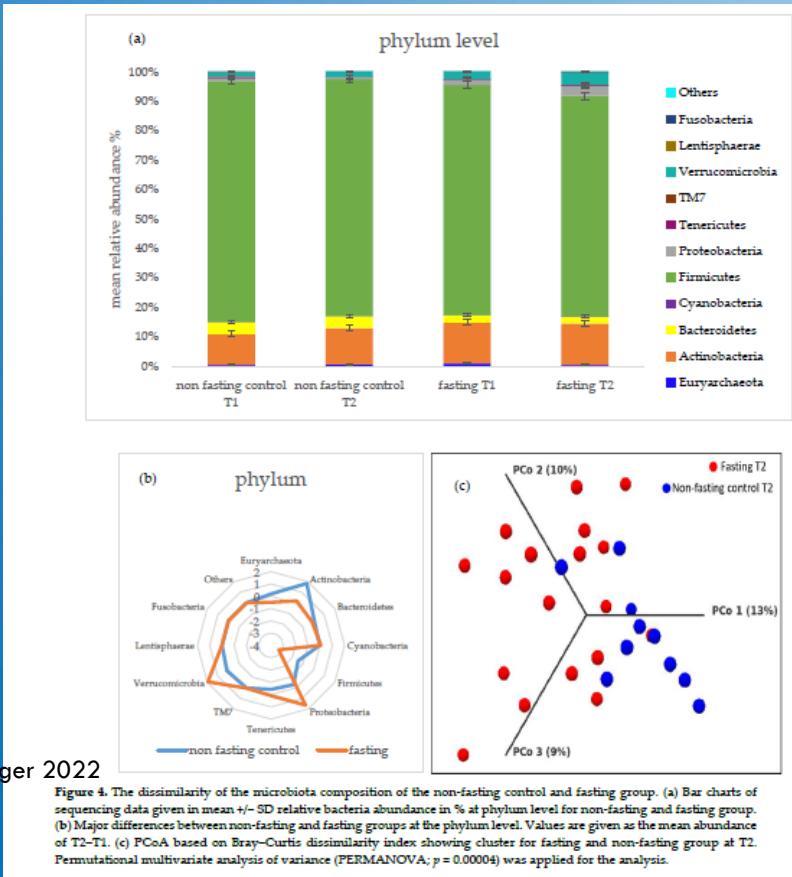
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Apfel extract	Phlorentin, Quercetin..	50 mg	
Citrus extract	Naringin..	40 mg	
Nikotinamid	Nikotinamid ribosid	24 mg	
Zinkgluconat	Zink	7.5 mg	
Wasser, Stevia, Erythrit			

Active (N. 131) Placebo (n: 30)  
Intervention 3 months

Feces, Blood spots before, after 1,3 month

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# BUCHINGER FASTING RESULTED IN A RISE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROTEOBACTERIA, INCREASED MICROBIOTA DIVERSITY AND A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN CHRISTENSENELLA



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Figure 4. The dissimilarity of the microbiota composition of the non-fasting control and fasting group. (a) Bar charts of sequencing data given in mean +/- SD relative bacteria abundance in % at phylum level for non-fasting and fasting group. (b) Major differences between non-fasting and fasting groups at the phylum level. Values are given as the mean abundance of T2-T1. (c) PCoA based on Bray-Curtis dissimilarity index showing cluster for fasting and non-fasting group at T2. Permutational multivariate analysis of variance (PERMANOVA;  $p = 0.00004$ ) was applied for the analysis.

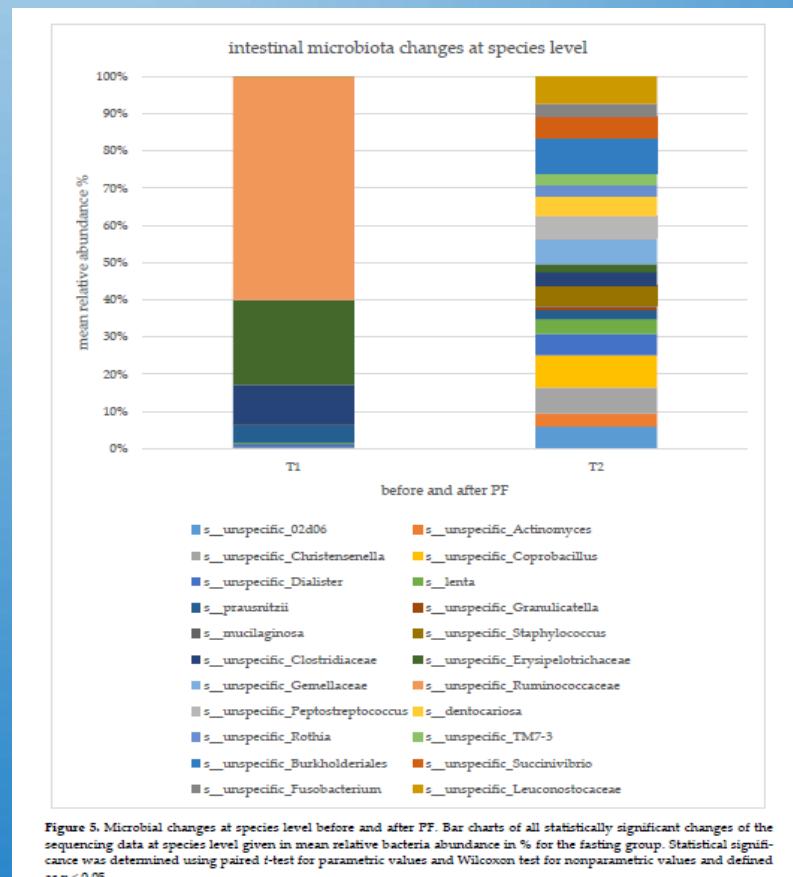
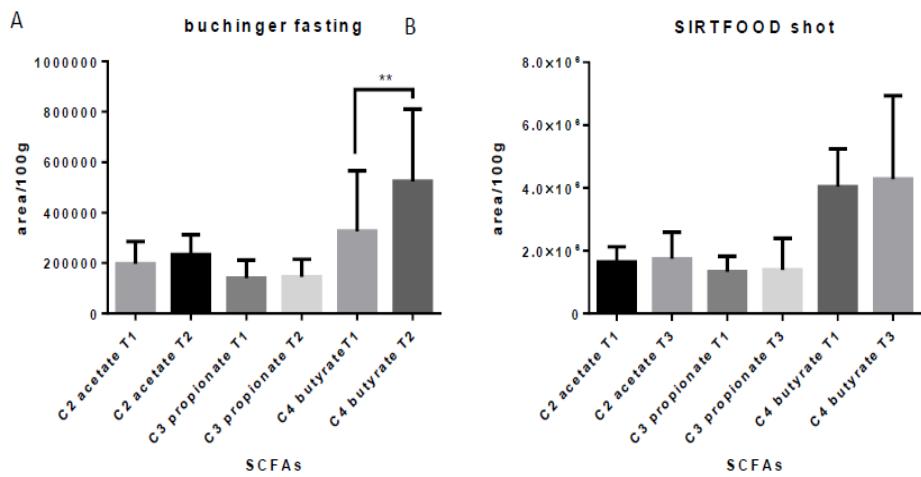
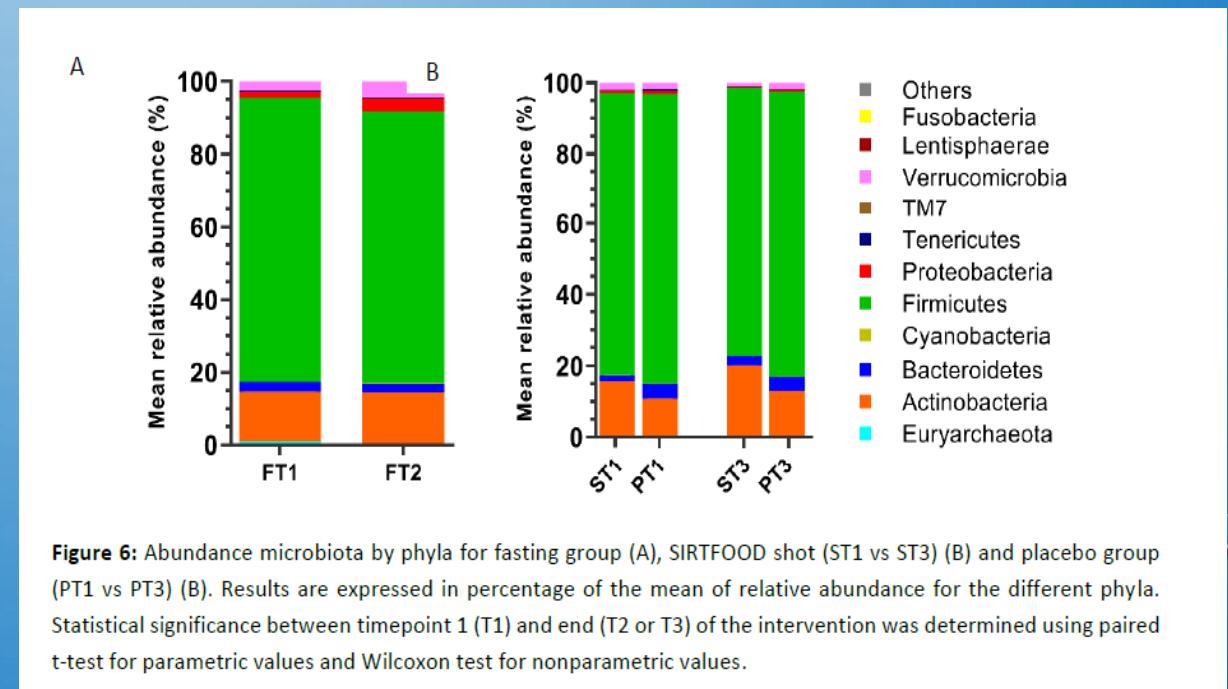


Figure 5. Microbial changes at species level before and after PF. Bar charts of all statistically significant changes of the sequencing data at species level given in mean relative bacteria abundance in % for the fasting group. Statistical significance was determined using paired *t*-test for parametric values and Wilcoxon test for nonparametric values and defined as  $p < 0.05$ .

# 3M SIRT INDUCING DRINK INCREASED ACTINOBACTERIA. FIRMICUTES/BACTEROIDETES RATIO DECREASED AND CORRELATED WITH BMI. ONLY FASTING INCREASED BUTYRATE SIGNIFICANTLY



**Figure 7:** Amount of SCFAs produced given as area/100g stool for buchinger fasting (A) and SIRTFOOD shot (B) interventions. Statistical significance between timepoint 1 (T1) and end (T2 or T3) of the intervention was determined using paired t-test for parametric values and Wilcoxon test for nonparametric values.



**Figure 6:** Abundance microbiota by phyla for fasting group (A), SIRTFOOD shot (ST1 vs ST3) (B) and placebo group (PT1 vs PT3) (B). Results are expressed in percentage of the mean of relative abundance for the different phyla. Statistical significance between timepoint 1 (T1) and end (T2 or T3) of the intervention was determined using paired t-test for parametric values and Wilcoxon test for nonparametric values.

# POSITIVE CORRELATION OF THE ABUNDANCE OF BUTYRATE-PRODUCING BACTEROIDETES WITH MIR125, SIRT-1 EXPRESSION, TELOMERE LENGTH

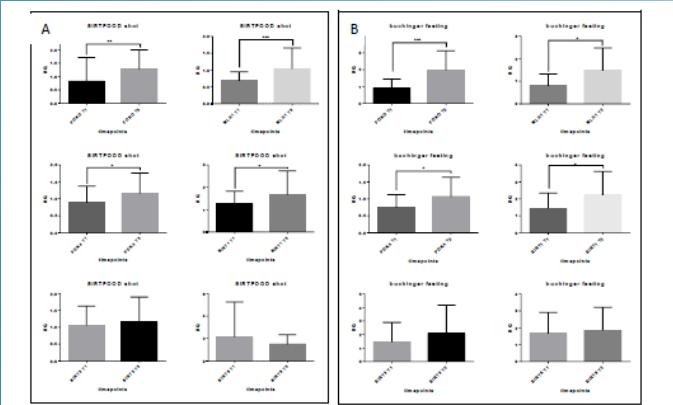


Figure 4: RQ selected mRNA gene expression (FoxO1, MLH1, PDK4, SIRT1, SIRT3, SIRT6) SIRTFOOD shot and buchinger fasting. The results are expressed as mean +/- SD. Statistical significance between timepoint 1 (T1) and end (T2 or T3) of the intervention was determined using paired t-test for parametric values and Wilcoxon test for nonparametric values.

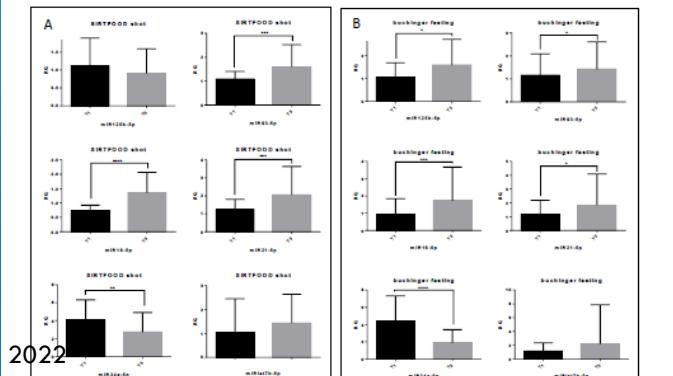


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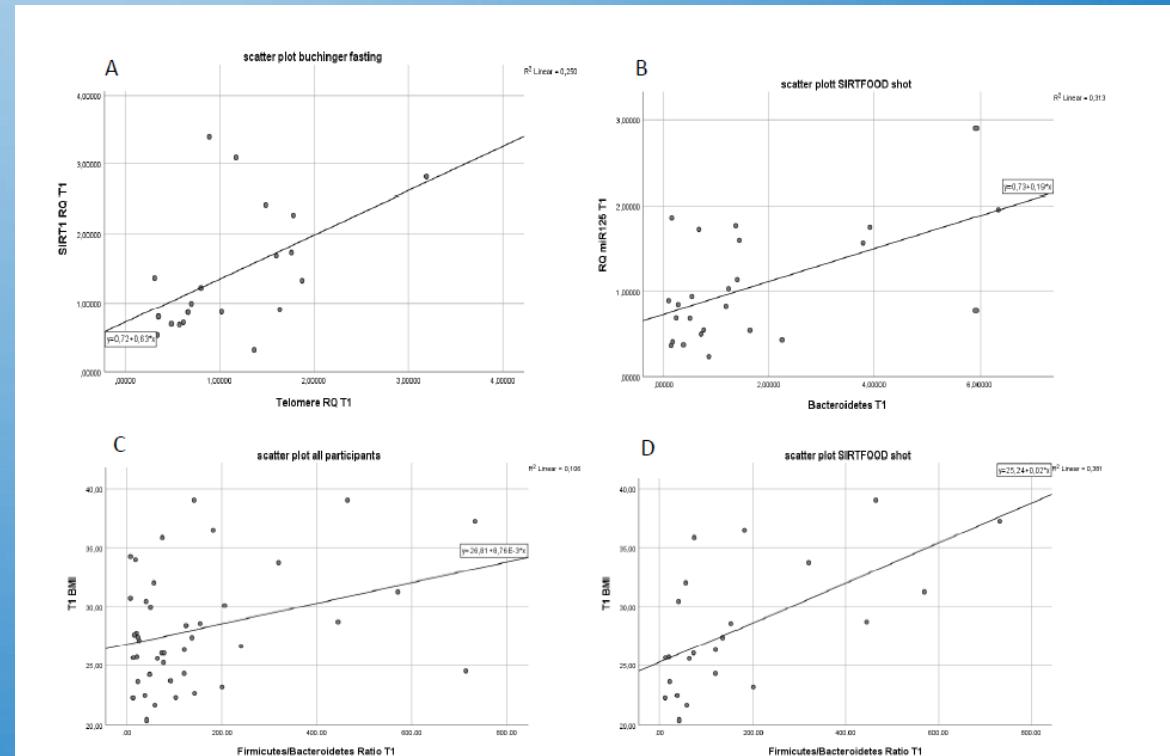


Figure 8: spss output scatter plots. (A) shows a positive correlation between telomere length and SIRT1 expression for buchinger fasting at baseline. Bacteroidetes and miR125b-5p positively correlated in the SIRTFOOD shot intervention at baseline(B). For all participants the ratio of Firmicutes/Bacteroidetes increased with higher BMI (C), which was also seen for the SIRTFOOD shot intervention Discussion (D). Statistical significance was defined as  $p < 0.05$ . 248

# CONCLUSIONS

In conclusion fasting and to some extend fasting mimetics result in beneficial modulation of microbiota ( e.g diversity, SCFA, BHP) and metabolism ( e.g SIRTS, mtDNA, telomer length )

**Microbiota structure seems to interfere with the expression of Sirtuins and metabolism relevant miRNAs**

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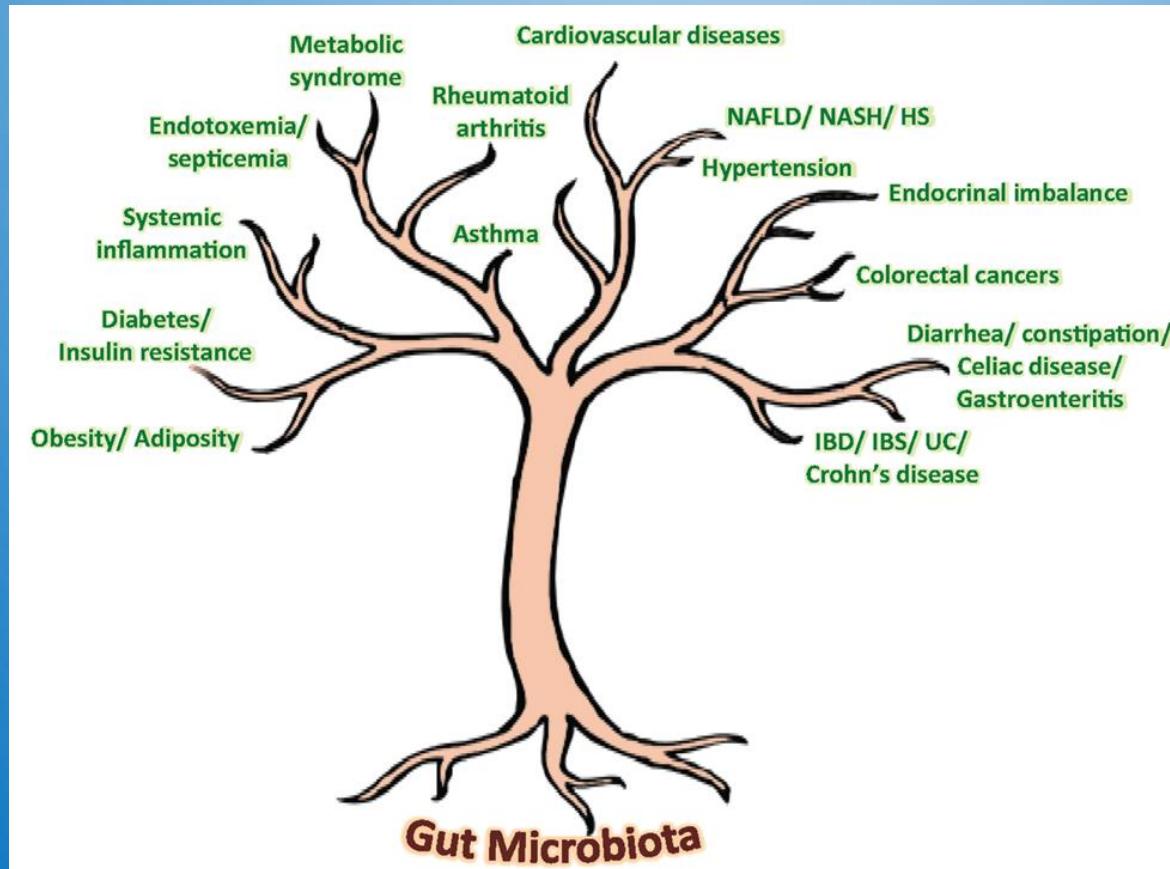
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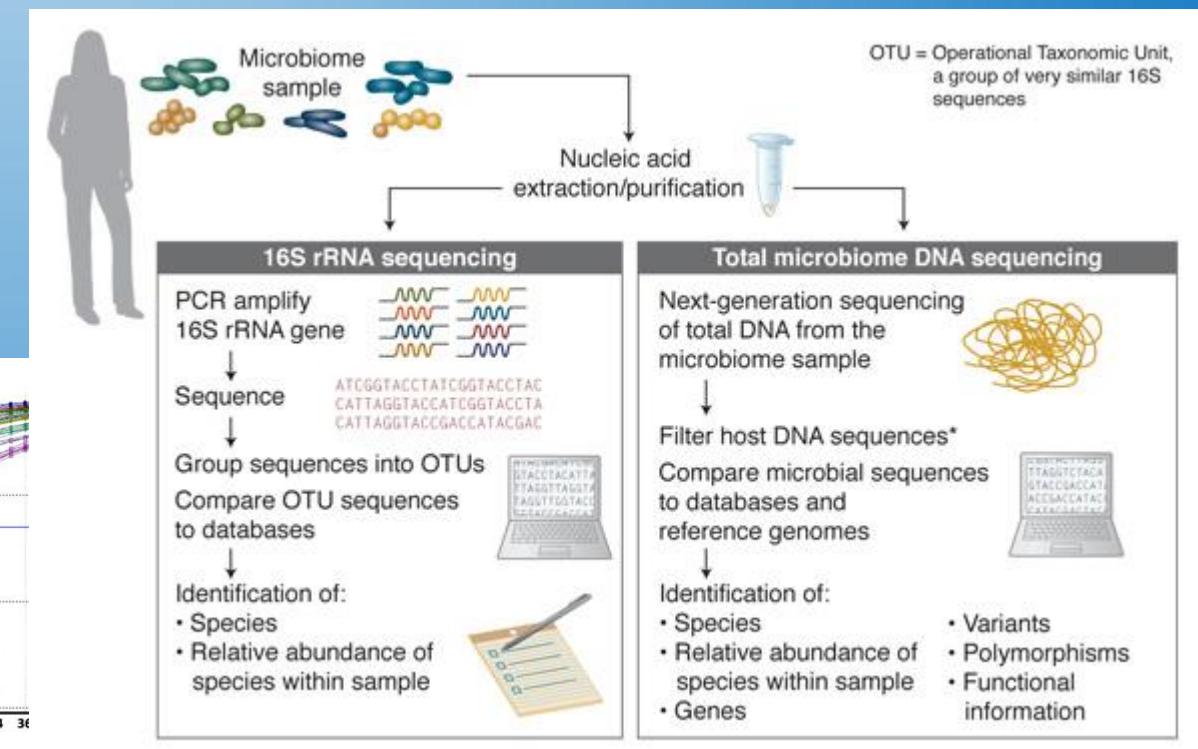
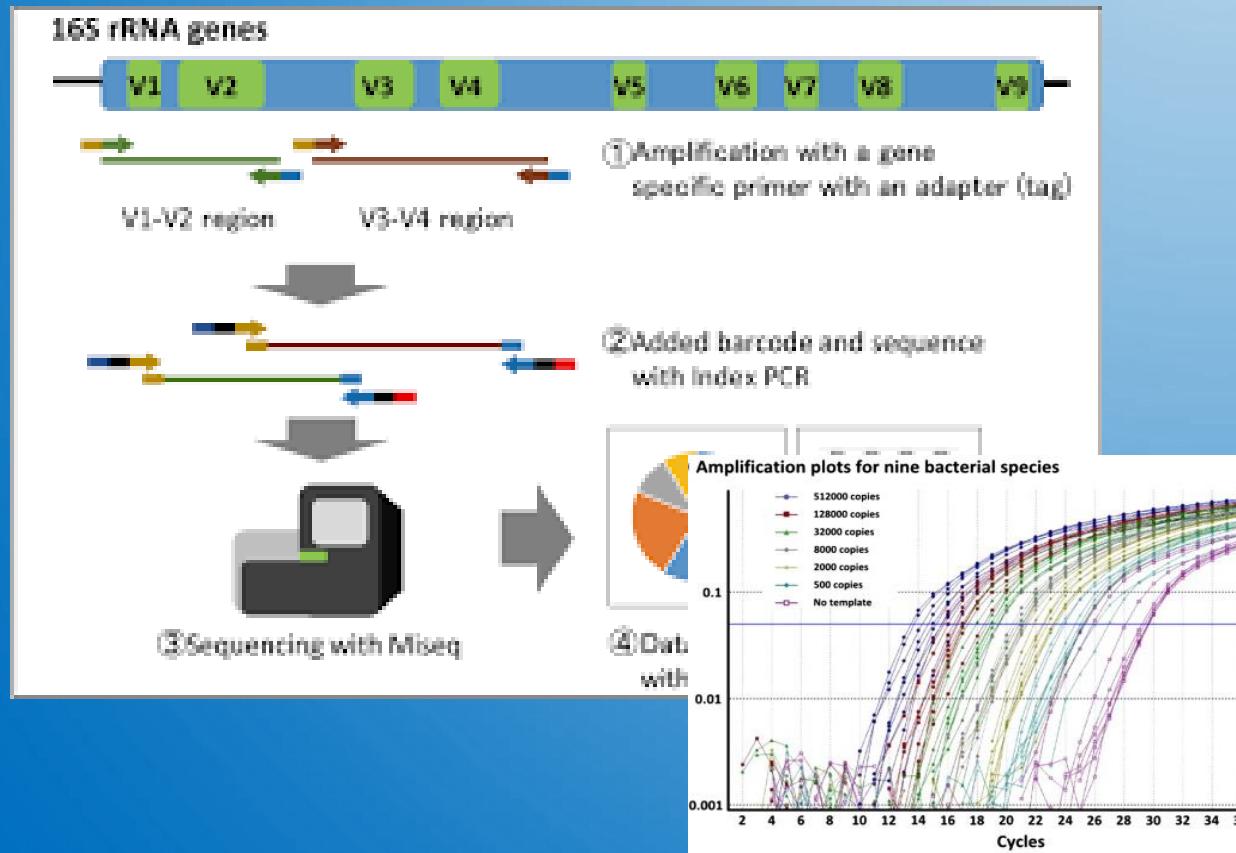
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# MICROBIOTA

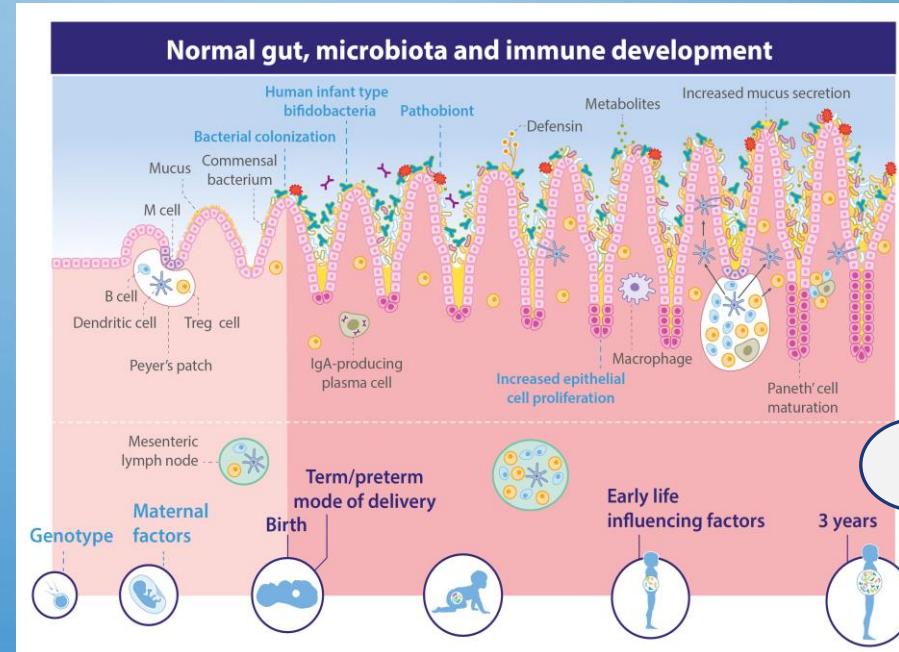
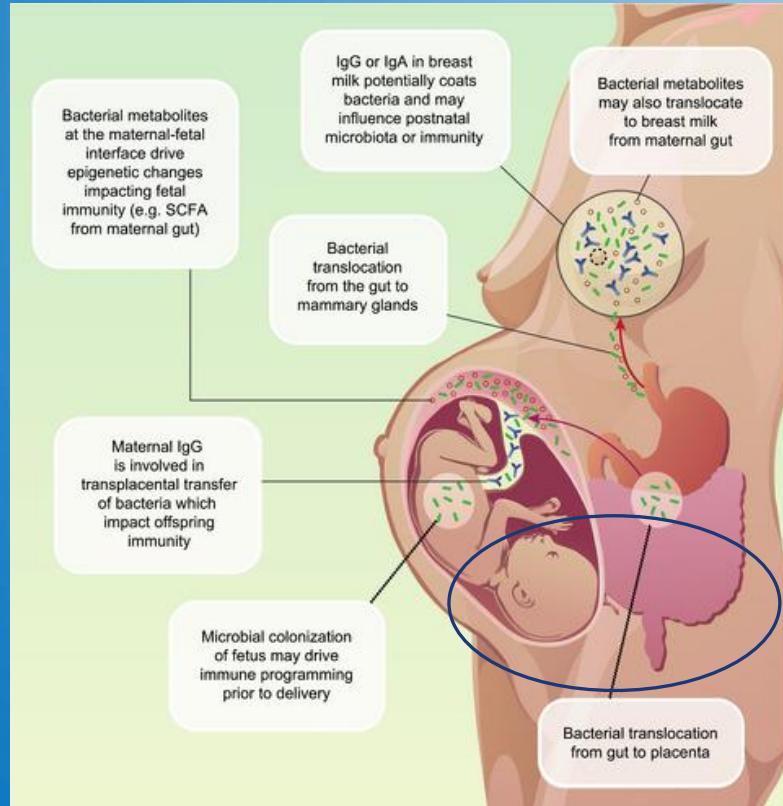
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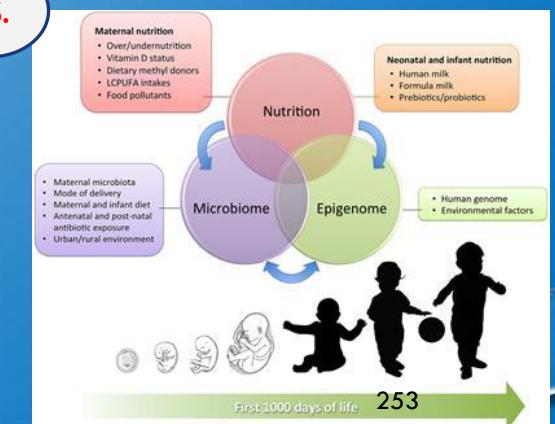


# DEVELOPMENT OF MICROBIOTA, I.S., AND EPIGENETIC SYSTEM, IMPRINTING

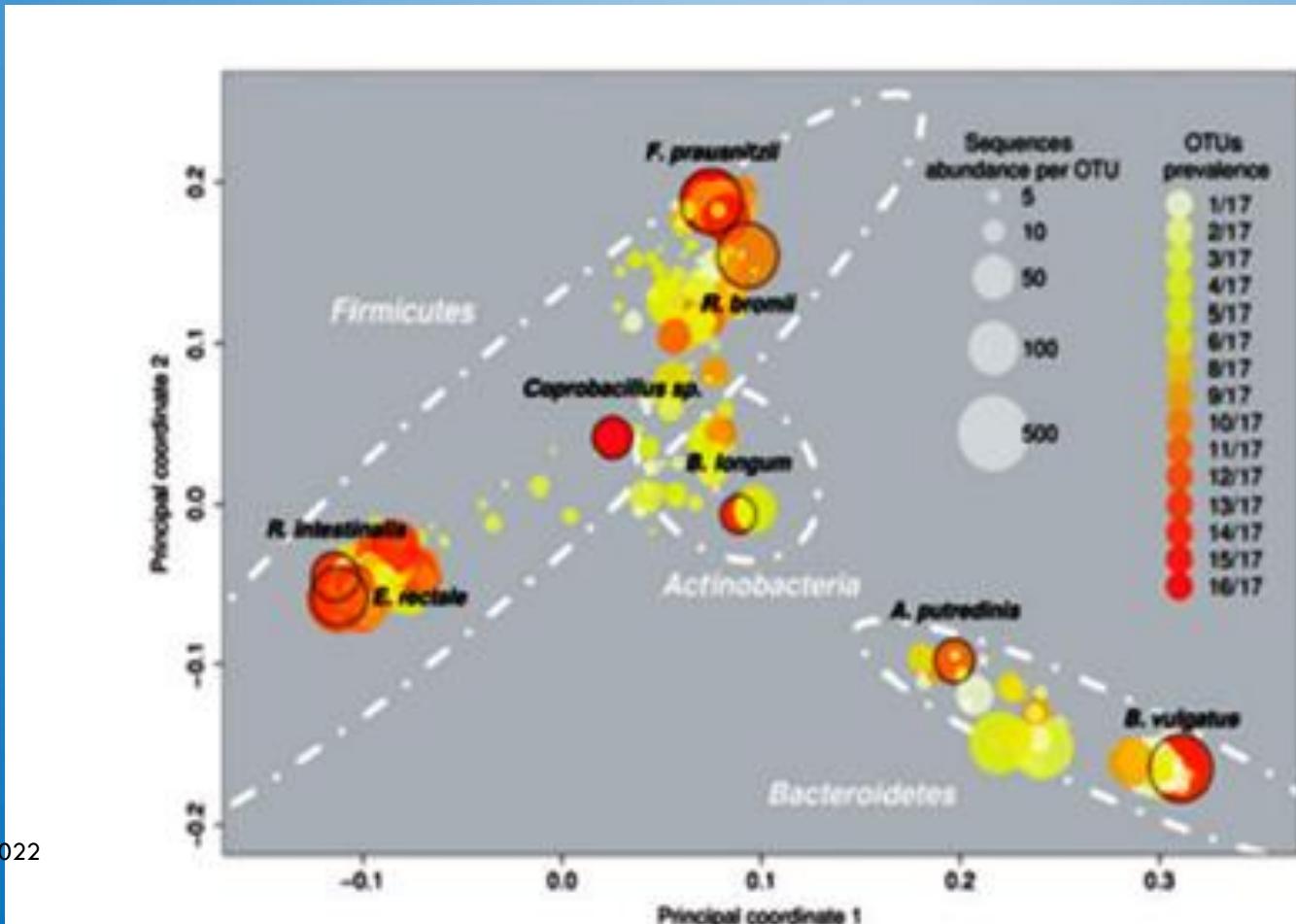


Development prenatal, Interaction with I.S., epigenetic maternal factors, Diversity:delivery, breastfeeding, imprinting in 1000 days of life

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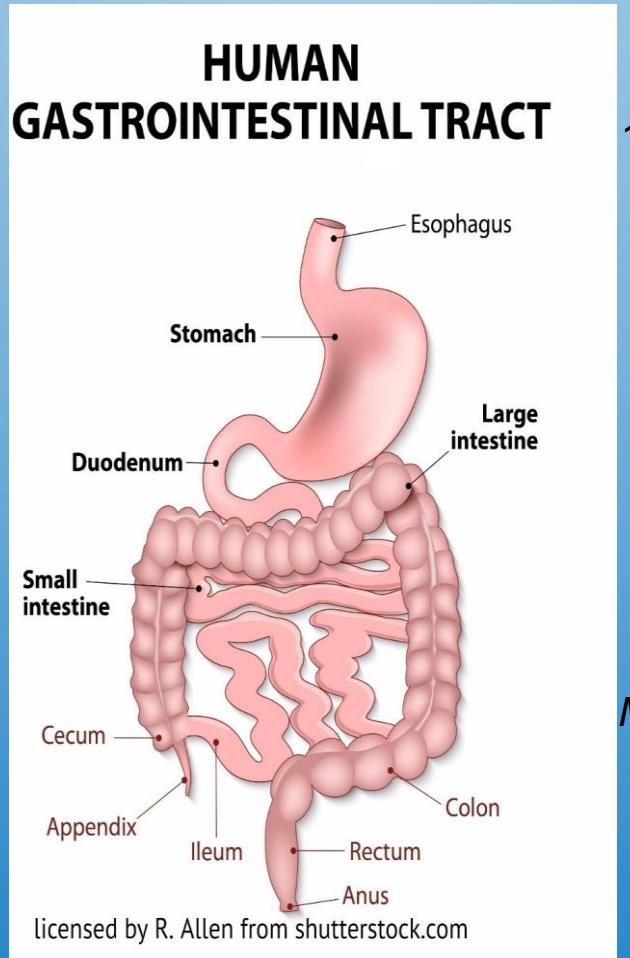
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# GUT MICROBIOTA

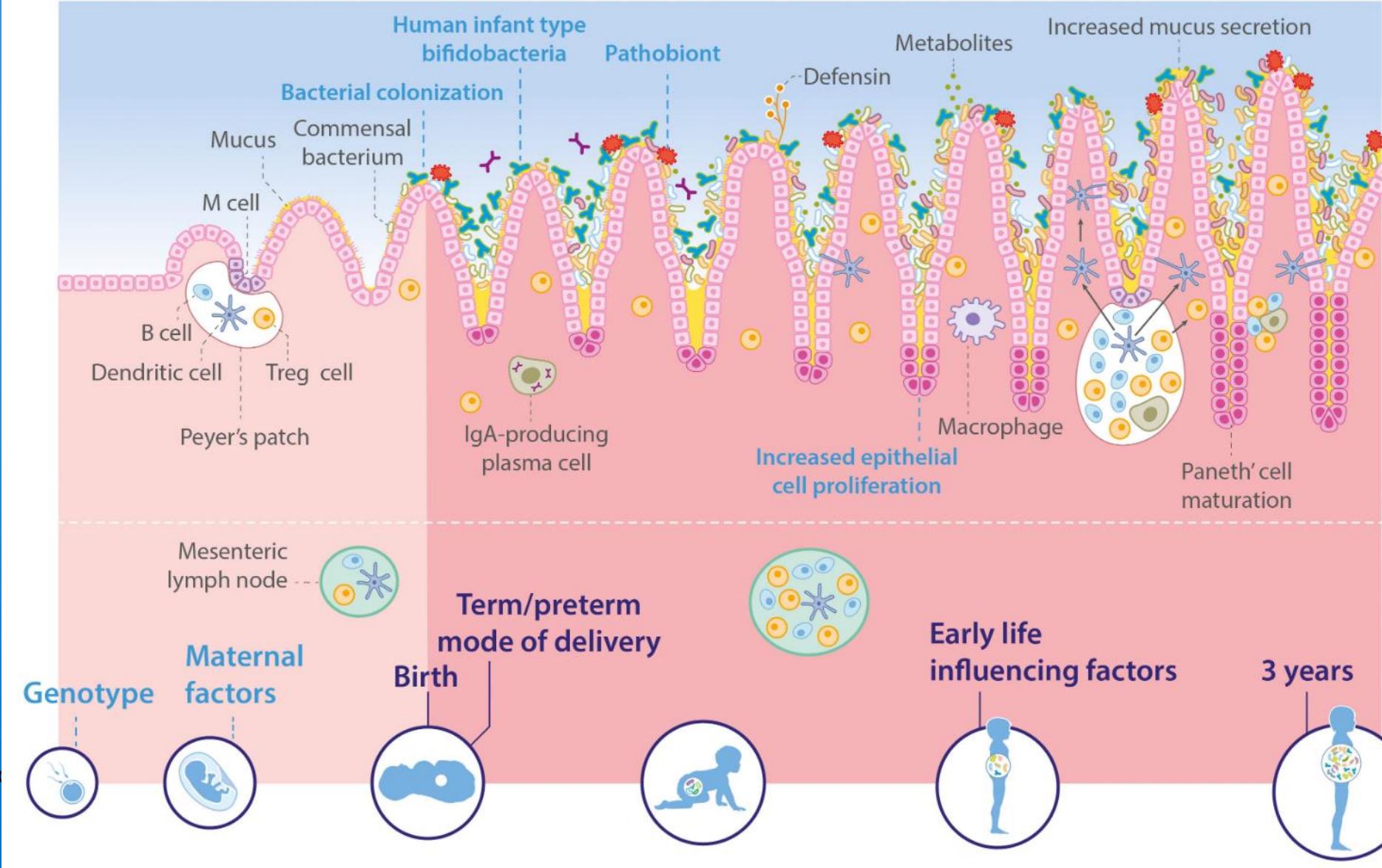
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*Streptococcus*

**Jejunum & Ileum**  
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*Bifidobacteria*  
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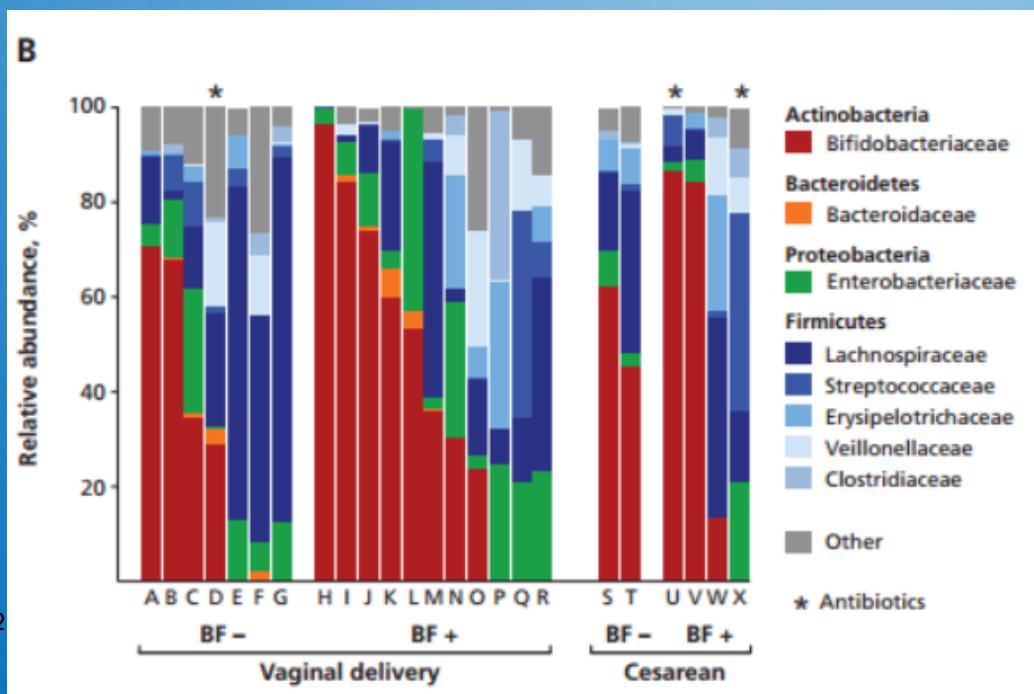
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*Clostridium*  
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*Collinsella*  
*Desulfovibrio*  
*Bilophila*  
*Akkermansia*  
*Methanobrevibacter*

# Normal gut, microbiota and immune development



# WAYS OF DELIVERY AND MICROBIOTA: A LONG LASTING DIFFERENCE

INFANTS BORN BY ELECTIVE CESAREAN DELIVERY HAD PARTICULARLY LOW BACTERIAL RICHNESS AND DIVERSITY. FORMULA-FED INFANTS HAD INCREASED RICHNESS OF SPECIES, WITH OVERREPRESENTATION OF CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE.



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## Research

### Gut microbiota of healthy Canadian infants: profiles by mode of delivery and infant diet at 4 months

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# CORE MICROBIOTA

- *BACTEROIDETES* (22,9 %)
- *FIRMICUTES* (64 %)

(32 % OF C. CLUSTER IV, 36 % OF C. CLUSTER XIVA AND 5 % OF  
*LACTOBACILLI*)

(MARIAT ET AL., 2009)

- *ACTINOBACTERIA* (1- 4 %)
- *VERRUMICROBIALES* (1- 4 %)
- *ARCHAEAL DOMAIN* (1- 2,5 %)
- *EUKARYOTIC MICROORGANISMS* (< 0,1 %)

(GERRITSEN ET AL., 2011)

# MICROBIOTA FUNCTIONS

- ♦ Protective functions
- ♦ Structural functions
- ♦ Metabolic functions
- ♦ Fermenting dietary fiber into
- ♦ short-chain fatty acids
- ♦ Synthesizing vitamins

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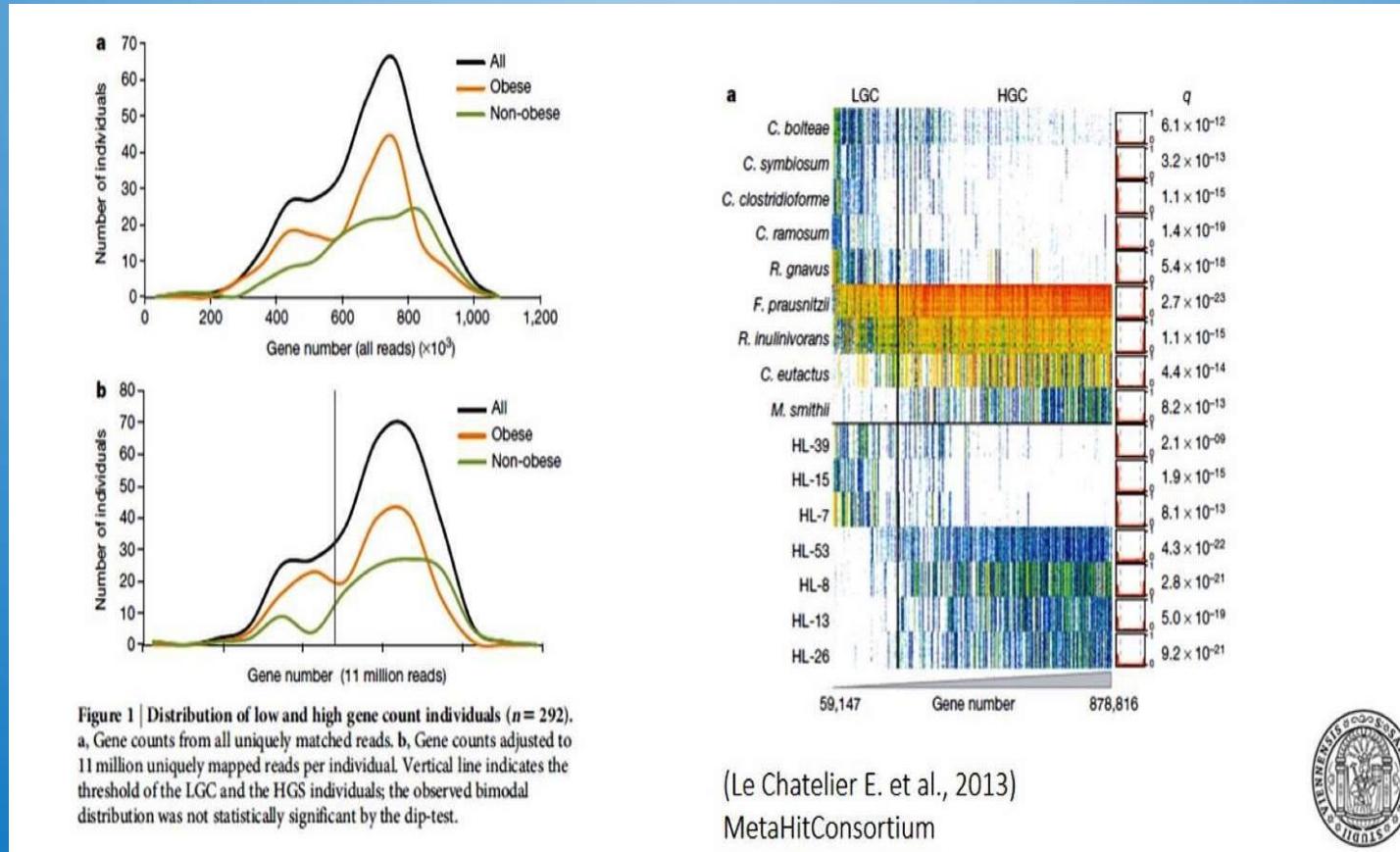
# VARIATION IN MICROBIOTA STRUCTURE IS HIGH

Despite high variation, GI microbiota depend on :

- 1.Individuum
- 2.Area and lifestyle
- 3.Diet
- 4.Interventions



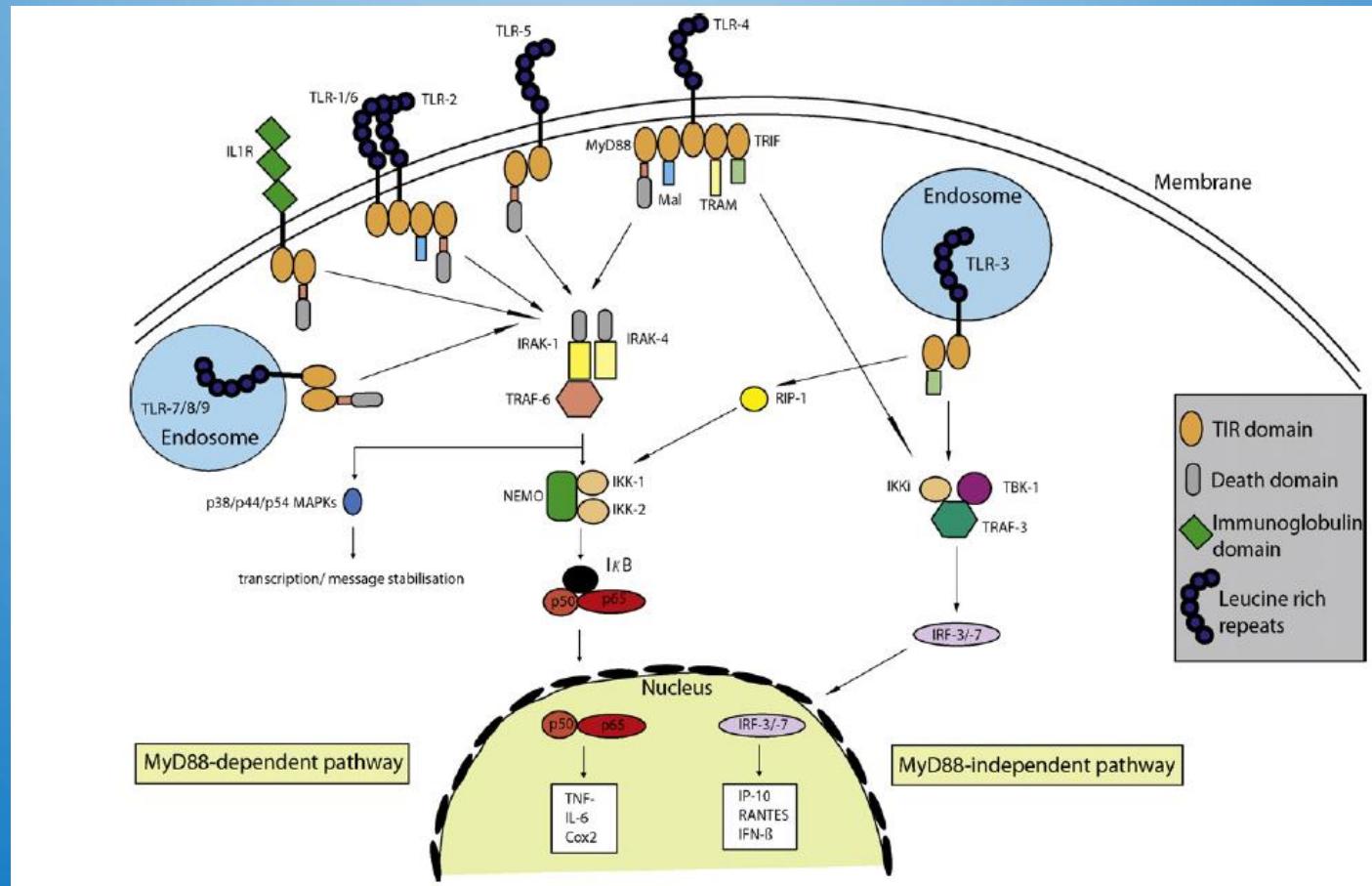
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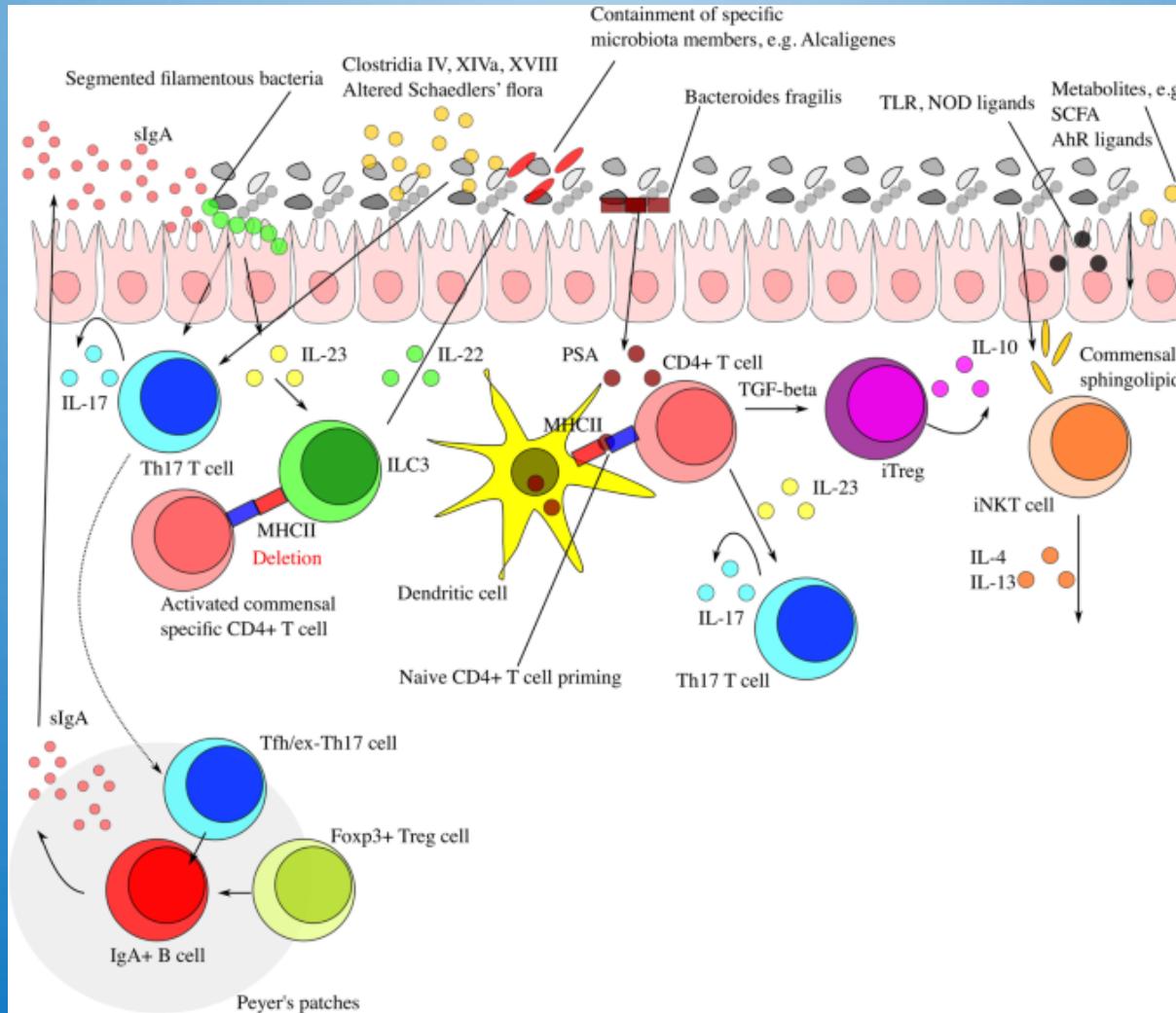
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# COOPERATION BETWEEN MICROBIOTA AND THE I.S.: PAMPS , TLRS, ADAPTOR MOLECULES



# INTERACTION MICROBIOTA IMMUNE SYSTEM, IS



# TOLL-LIKE AND NOD-LIKE RECEPTORS

## PATTERN RECOGNITION RECEPTORS (PRRS)

- PRRS RECOGNIZE PATHOGEN-ASSOCIATED MOLECULAR PATTERNS (PAMPS) SUCH AS LIPOPOLYSACCHARIDE, FLAGELLIN, BACTERIAL DNA AND RNA
- PRRS FALL INTO THREE FAMILIES
  - TOLL-LIKE RECEPTORS (TLRS)
  - NOD-LIKE RECEPTORS (NLRS)
  - RETINOICACID-INDUCIBLE GENE I (RIG-I)-LIKE RECEPTORS (RLRS)

# TIGHT JUNCTIONS. LEAKY GUT

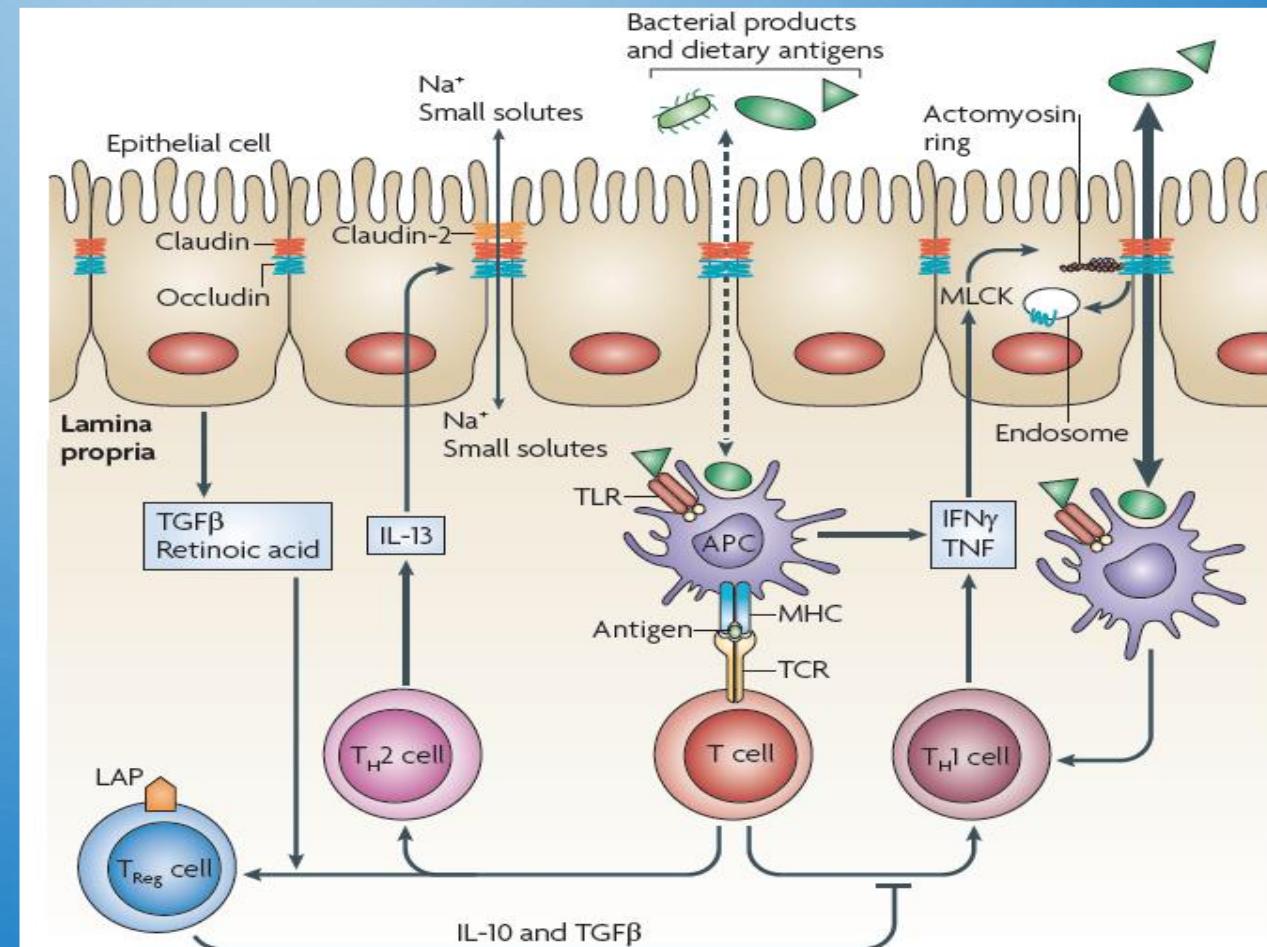
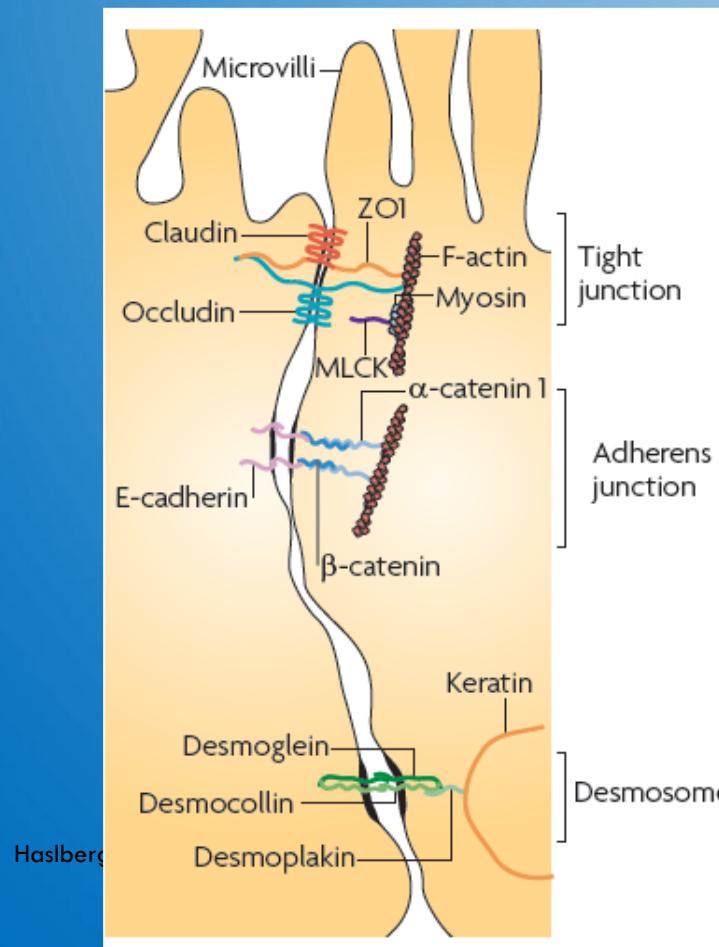
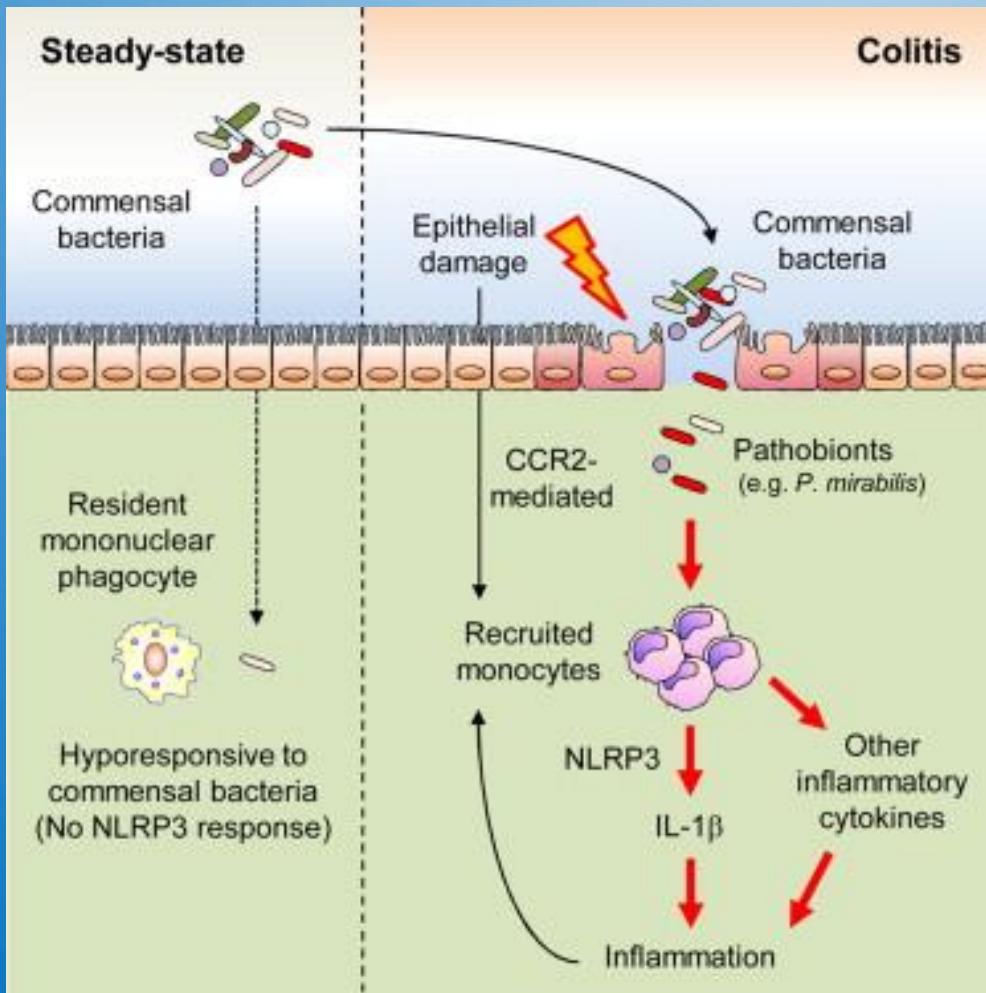
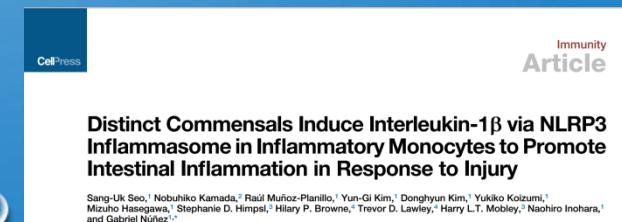


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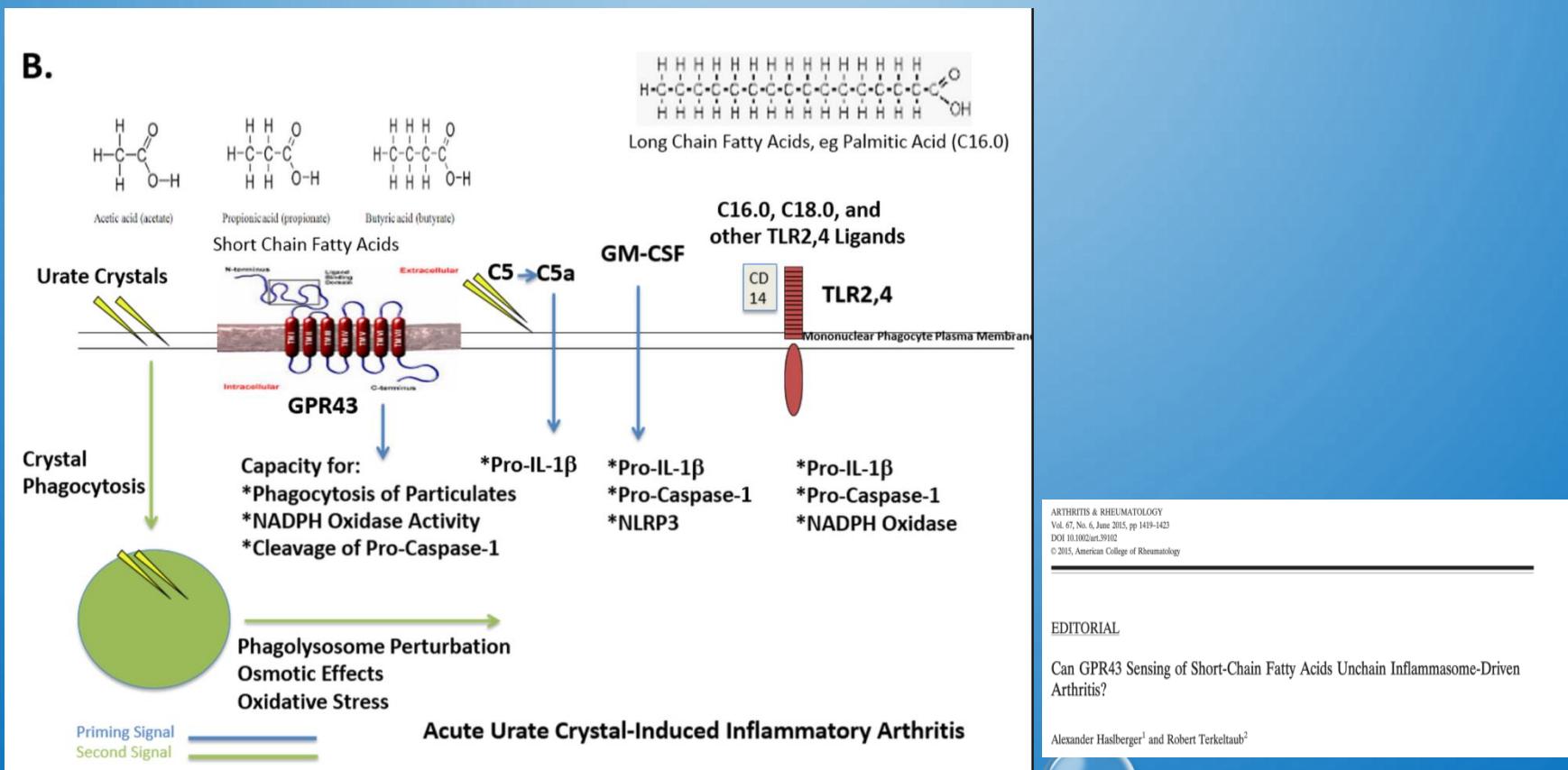
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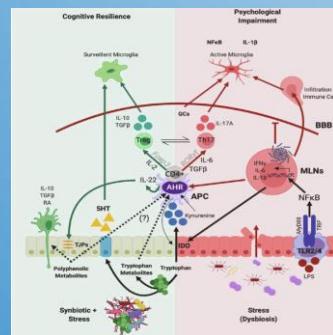
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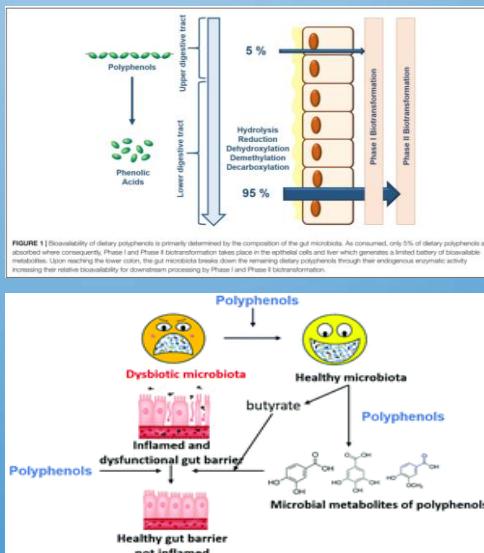
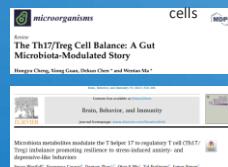
# TLR2, TLR4 LIGANDS (ENDOTOXINS, LONG CHAIN FATTY ACID) TRIGGER INFLAMMATION, GPR43 INTERFERS?



# MICROBIAL METABOLITES REGULATE TREG-TH17 BALANCE, COGNITIVE RESILIENCE, MICROBIOTA AND METABOLITES



Scheme of Sybiotic-Derived Metabolites' Action on AHR-Mediated Treg/Th17 Ratios for the Promotion of Cognitive Resilience in Response to Stress. Sybiotic-derived metabolites promote cognitive resilience to stress-induced anxiety and depression by altering tryptophan metabolism, modulating aryl hydrocarbon receptor (AHR) activity and/or affecting the inflammatory activity of antigen presenting



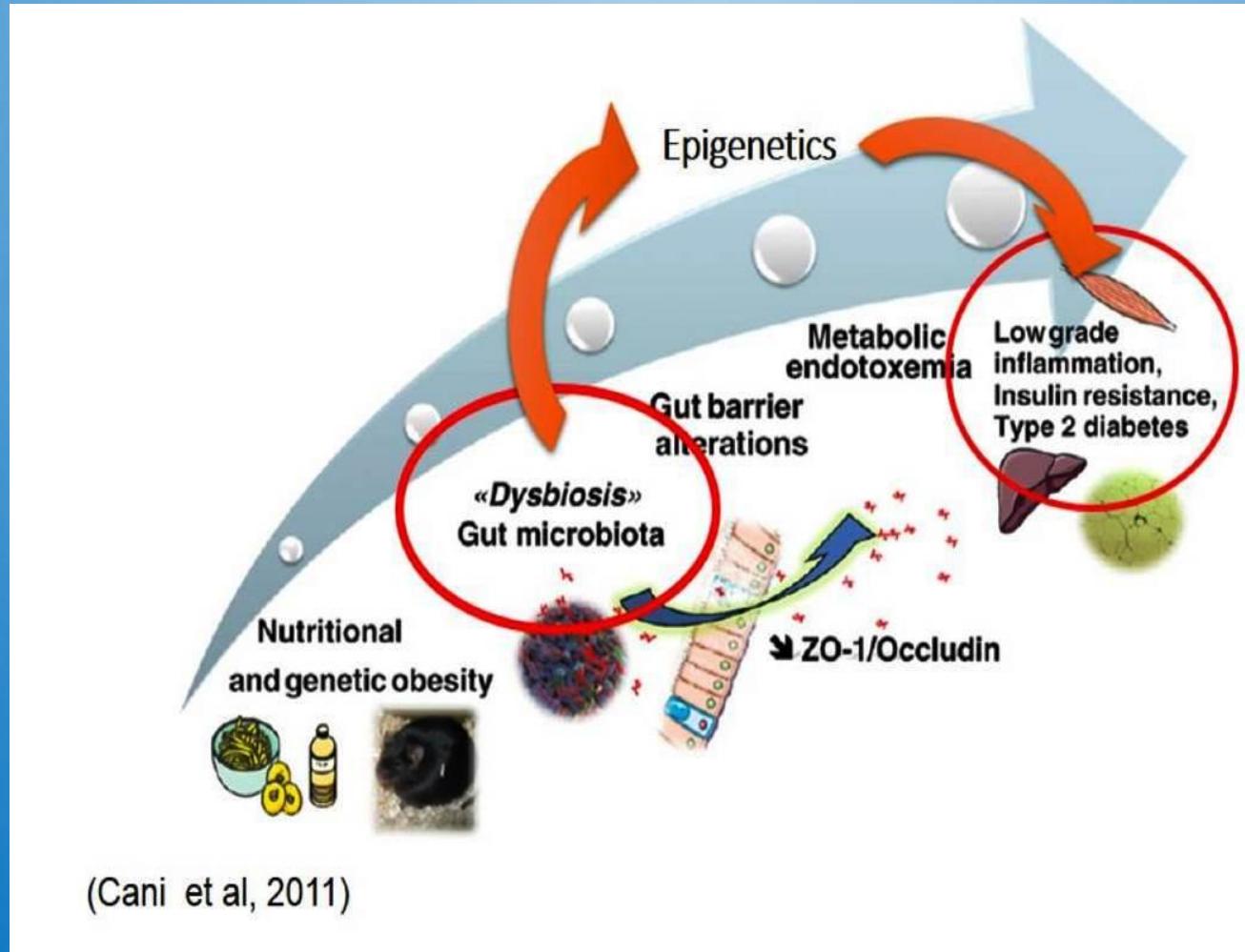
**FIGURE 1 |** Bioavailability of dietary polyphenols is primarily determined by the composition of the gut microbiota. As consumed, only 5% of dietary polyphenols are absorbed where consequently, Phase I and Phase II biotransformation takes place in the epithelial cells and liver which generates a limited battery of bioavailable metabolites. Upon reaching the lower colon, the gut microbiota breaks down the remaining dietary polyphenols through their endogenous enzymatic activity.



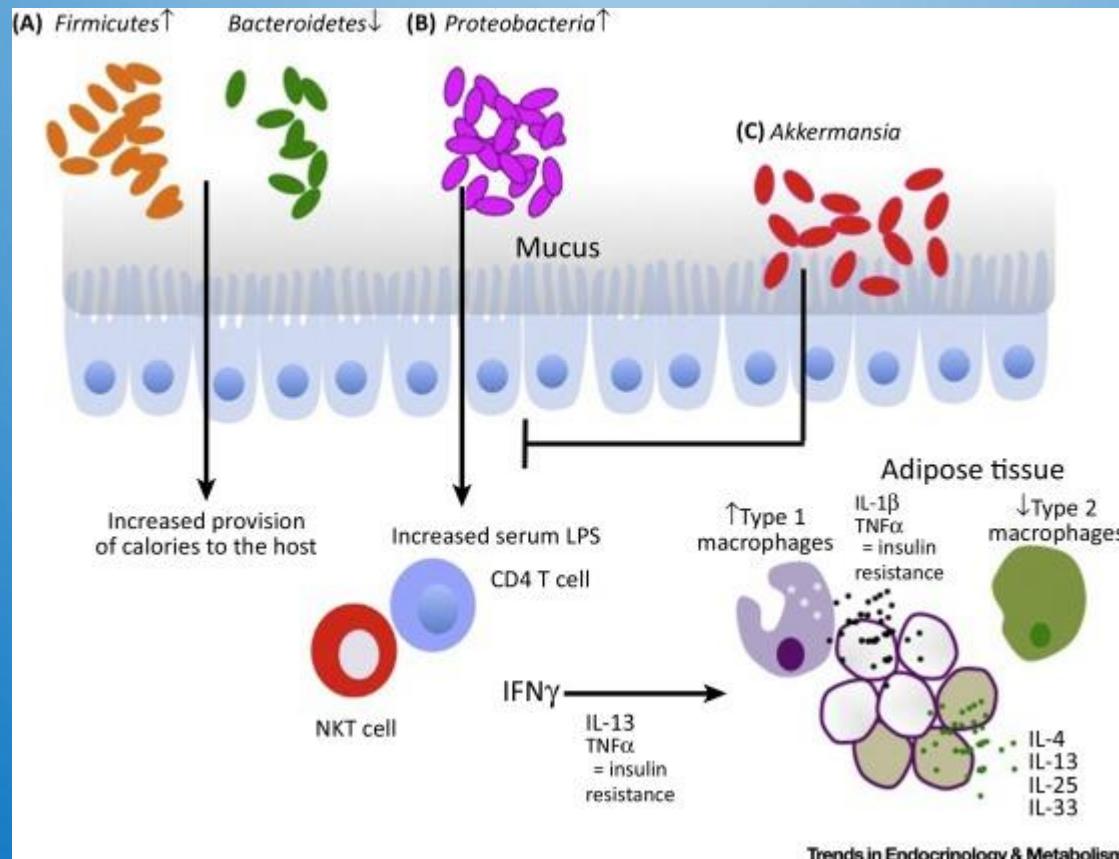
## Nutraceutical Approaches of Autophagy and Neuroinflammation in Alzheimer's Disease: A Systematic Review

The gut brain axis: microbiota regulate bio-availability of polyphenol metabolites and their activity in neurological disorders, *Giulio M Pasinetti, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, USA*

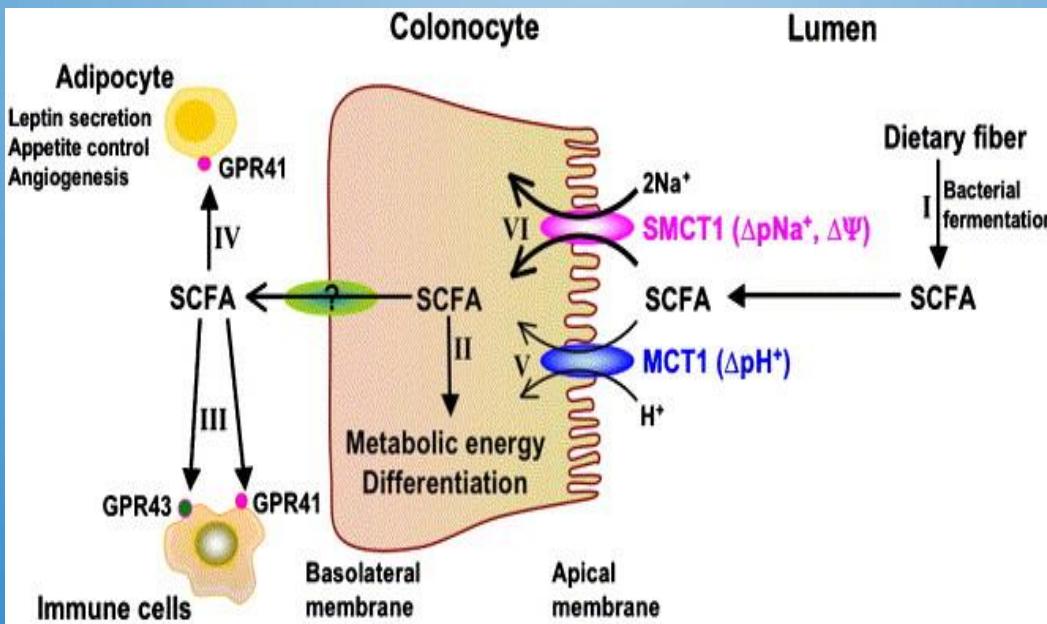
# Bacterial cell wall components and Inflammation: dysbiosis, LPS and gut permeability; obesity as a model



# OBESITY: FIRMICUTES: BACTEROIDETES; AKKERMANSIA AND THE CELL WALL



# MICROBIOTA METABOLITES: SCFAS BIND TO G-PROTEIN-RECEPTORS GPR 41/43 (FFARS)



Anti-inflammatory;  
Inhibition of NF $\kappa$ B

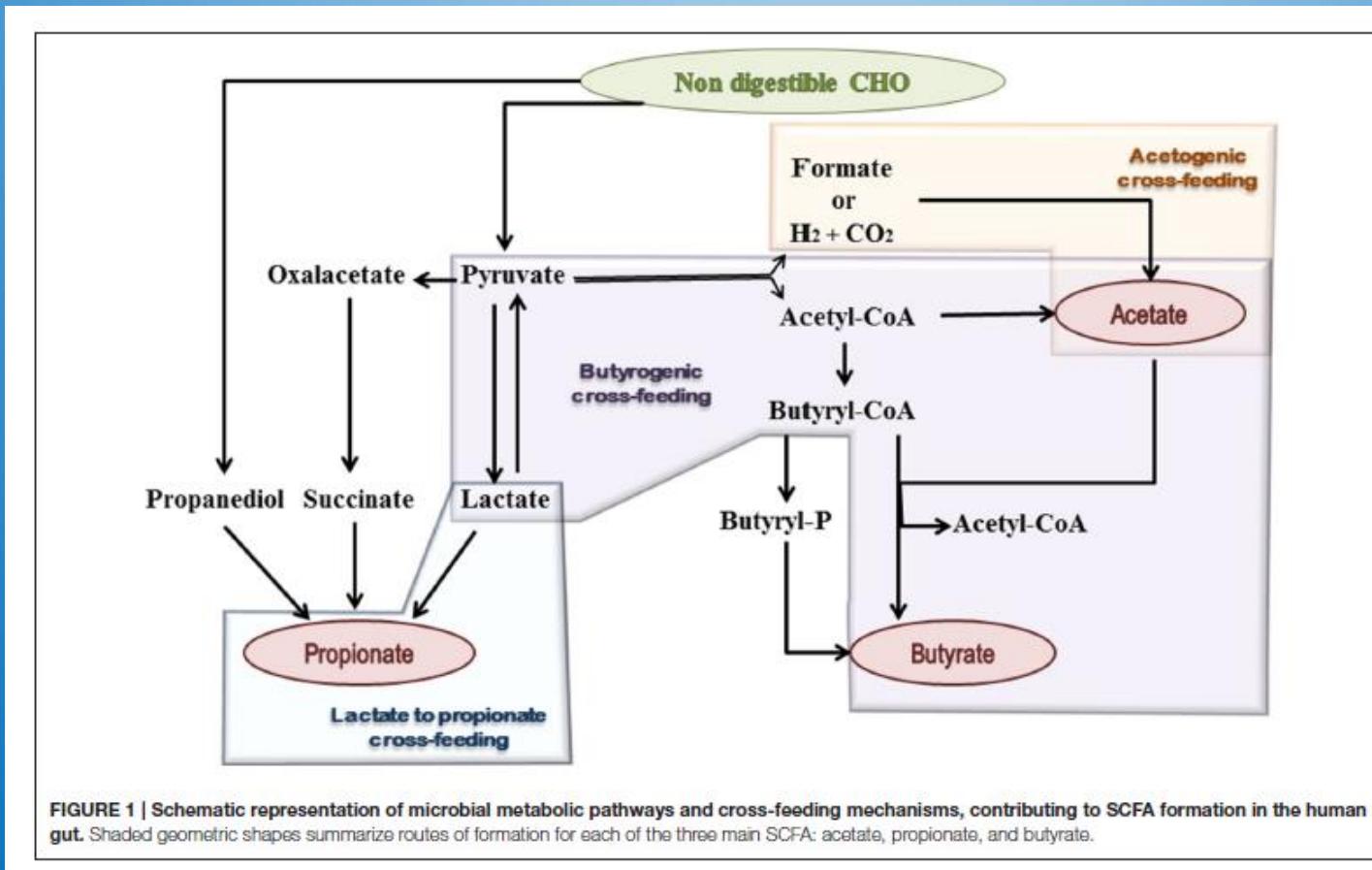
(Huster et al., 2013; Flint et al., 2009,  
Nature Rev)

# MICROBIOTA AND FERMENTATION PRODUCTS E.G. SCFAS

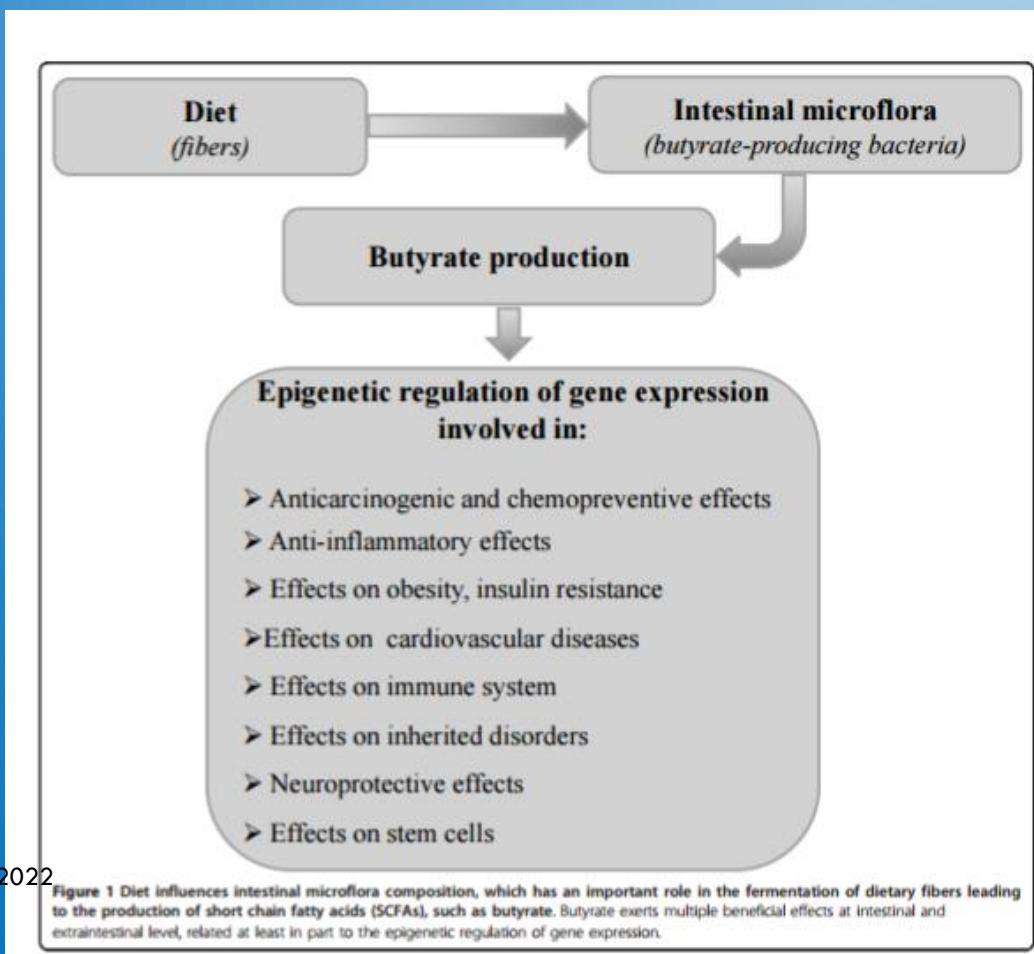
<i>Clostridial cluster IV</i> (Rumminococaceae)	<i>Clostridial cluster XIVa</i> (Lachnospiraceae)
<i>Faecalibacterium prausnitzii</i> <i>Butyricoccus</i> <i>Clostridium Leptum</i>	<i>Eubacterium hallii</i> <i>Anaerostipes coli</i> <i>Roseburia spp.</i> <i>E. rectale spp.</i>
Resistant starch	Non starch Polysaccharides

(Louis and Flint, 2009, FEMS)

# PATHWAYS AND CROSS FEEDING FOR SCFAS/ BUTYRATE



# BUTYRATE AND EPIGENETICS



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# BUTYRATE: APOPTOSIS, AUTOPHAGY, MI- RNAs REGULATING INFLAMMATION, VITRO

Table 1. Anti-cancer properties of butyrate through regulating miRNA and gene expression.

TREATMENT	TYPE OF STUDY	METHODS	CANCER CELLS	TARGETS	EFFECT OF BUTYRATE	CITATIONS
NaB	In vitro	PCR	HT-29 (human CRC cells)	MUC2 gene	NaB can inhibit MUC2 gene expression	39
NaB	In vitro	RT-PCR	HCT-116, AW480 (human CRC cells)	Dynamin-related protein 1 (DRP1)	NaB induces apoptosis in CRC	40
NaB, EGCG	In vitro	PCR	HCT-116, RKO, HT-29 (human CRC cells)	P21, P53, NF- $\kappa$ B-p65, HDAC1, DNMT1, survivin	NaB promotes apoptosis and inhibits DNA damage, cell cycle arrest in CRC cells	41
NaB	In vitro	RT-PCR, Western blot assay, MTT proliferation assay	DU145, PC3 cells (human prostate cancer cells)	ANXA1	NaB inhibits proliferation and cell survival in DU145 cells and upregulates ANXA1 expression in prostate cancer	42
Butyrate, TSA	In vitro	Northern blot analyses, H-thymidine assay, DNA transfer analysis	HT-29, HT-116 (human CRC cells)	P21 mRNA	Butyrate induces P21 mRNA expression in an immediate early fashion	43
NaB	In vitro	Western blot assay, qRT-PCR	Burkitt lymphoma cell line Raji	c-Myc protein	Butyrate upregulates miR-143, miR-145, and miR-101	44
NaB	In vitro	Western blot analyses, PCR	MDA-MB-231 and MCF7 (human breast cancer cells)		NaB upregulates miR-31	45

Abbreviations: ANXA1, lipocortin 1; DNMT 1, DNA (cytosine-5)-methyltransferase 1; HDACi, histone deacetylase inhibitors; MUC 2, mucin 2; NaB, sodium butyrate; NF- $\kappa$ B, nuclear factor  $\kappa$ B; PCR, polymerase chain reaction; qRT-PCR, reverse-transcription quantitative PCR; RT-PCR, real-time PCR; TSA, trichostatin A (histone hyperacetylating agent).

## Epigenetic Regulation of Gene Expression Induced by Butyrate in Colorectal Cancer: Involvement of MicroRNA

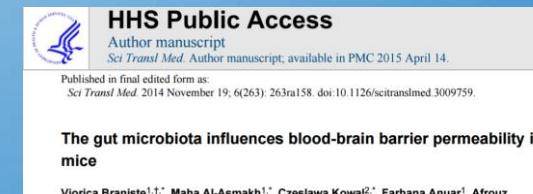
Karen S Bishop<sup>1</sup>, Huawen Xu<sup>2</sup> and Gareth Marlow<sup>3</sup>

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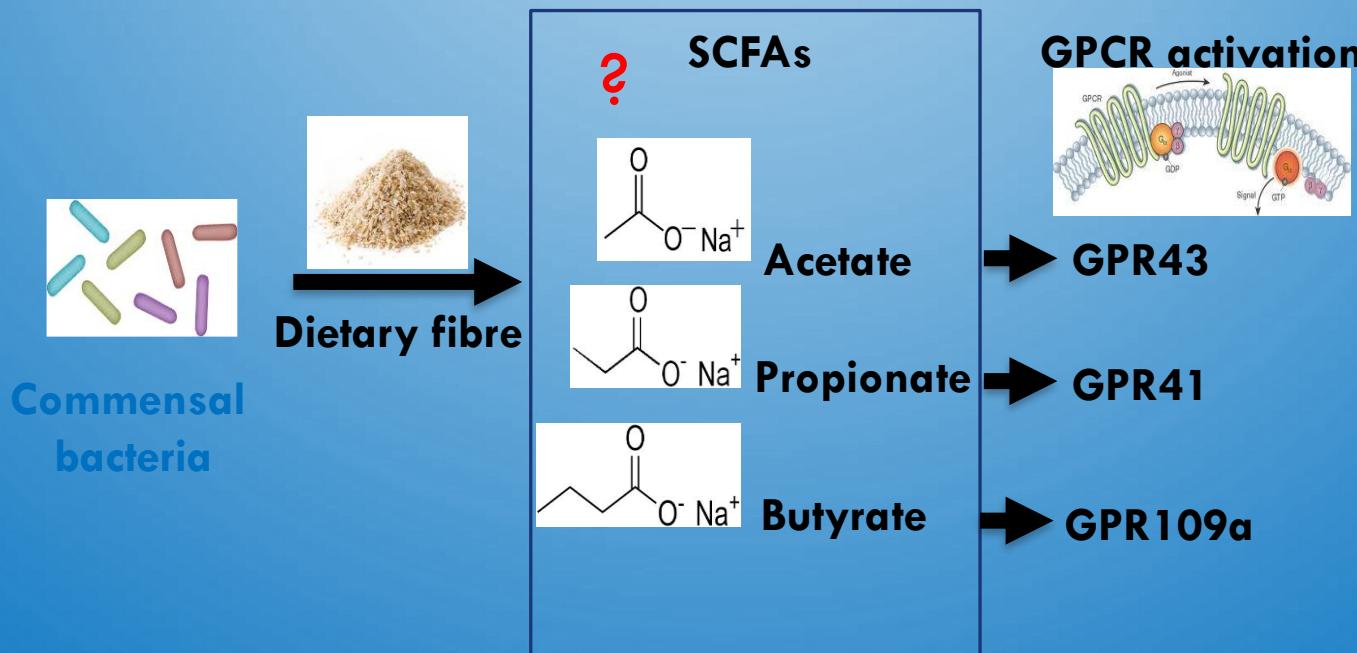

# BUTYRATE: WHERE AND HOW MUCH ?

For good reason it is not possible with current technologies to perform direct measurements of the variation in the butyrate concentration in the portal vein of human subjects, but short-chain fatty acid levels in portal blood from sudden-death victims, subjects undergoing emergency surgery or planned surgery have indicated a higher gut production and absolute and relative concentration of butyrate in non-fasted as compared with fasted human subjects

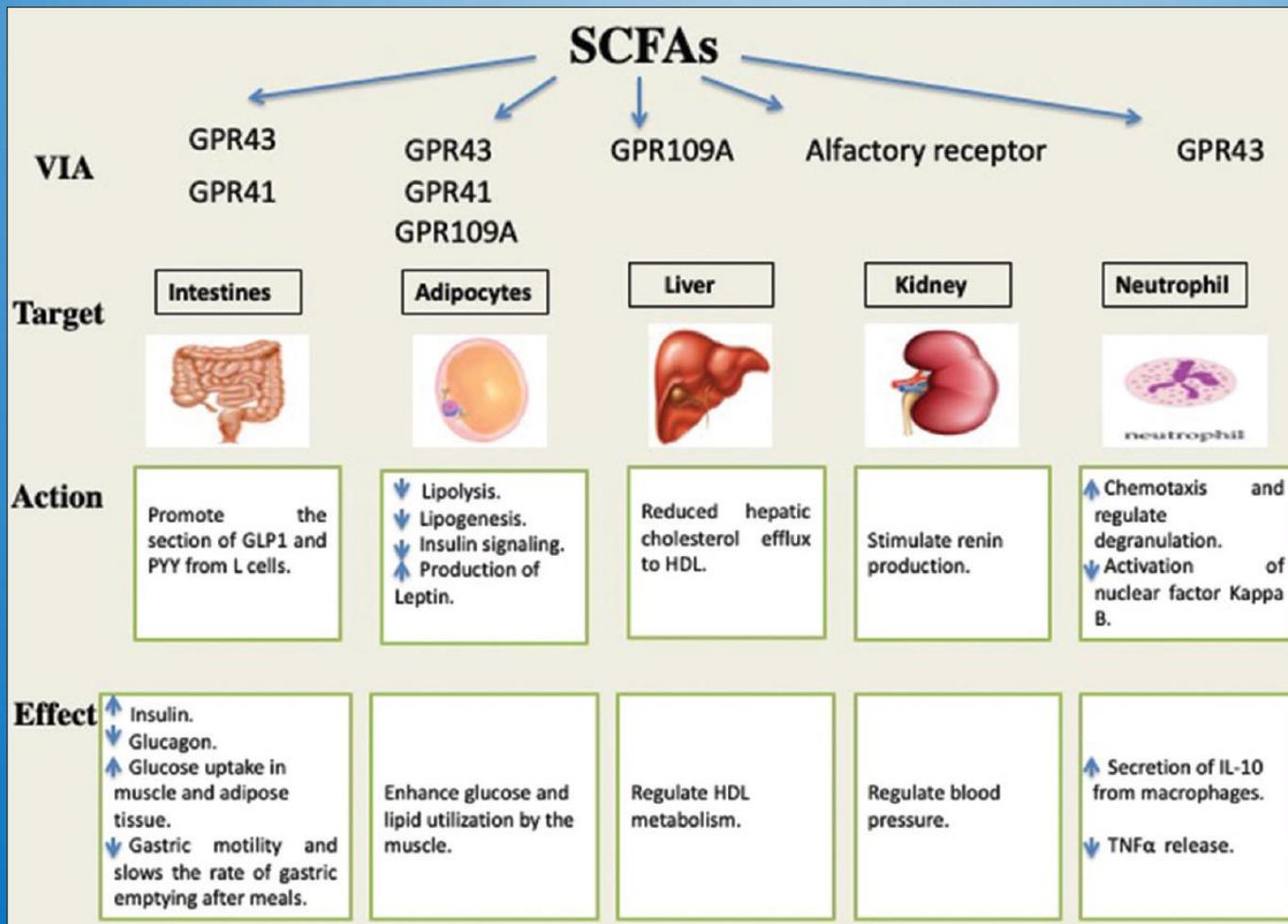


# MECHANISM OF ACTION OF FIBRE: SHORT-CHAIN FATTY ACIDS (SCFAS)?

- SCFAs ARE MAJOR METABOLITES PRODUCED BY THE MICROBIOTA



# GPR RECEPTORS



# GPRS AND THERAPY, STILL MANY UNCLEAR

TABLE 1 | Contradictory findings on the inflammation phenotypes of *Gpr43*<sup>−/−</sup> and *Gpr41*<sup>−/−</sup> mice.

<b><i>Gpr43</i><sup>−/−</sup> mice display increased chronic inflammation</b>	
Maslowski et al. (29)	Exacerbated colitis, arthritis, and asthma Reduced neutrophil recruitment
Smith et al. (32)	Exacerbated colitis Reduced Treg cell count
Masui et al. (33)	Exacerbated colitis
Macia et al. (44)	Exacerbated colitis Reduced IL-18 expression presumably due to reduced inflammasome activation in epithelial cells
<b><i>Gpr43</i><sup>−/−</sup> mice display reduced chronic inflammation</b>	
Sina et al. (30)	Reduced colitis Increased neutrophil recruitment
Kim et al. (31)	Reduced colitis Reduced ERK and p38 activation in epithelial cells
Vieira et al. (45)	Reduced joint inflammation in mouse model of gout Impaired inflammasome formation in macrophages
<b><i>Gpr43</i><sup>−/−</sup> mice display increased obesity markers</b>	
Ge et al. (38)	Increased lipolysis and plasma free fatty acids
Tolhurst et al. (35)	Impaired glucagon-like peptide-1 secretion and glucose tolerance
Kimura et al. (36)	Increased fat accumulation and obesity on a normal diet
McNelis et al. (39)	Glucose intolerance due to defective insulin secretion Reduced beta cell mass and expression of differentiation genes
Priyadarshini et al. (40)	Marginal reduction in glucose-stimulated insulin secretion
<b><i>Gpr43</i><sup>−/−</sup> mice display reduced obesity markers</b>	
Bjursell et al. (34)	Improved glucose control and reduced body fat mass on a high-fat diet
<b><i>Gpr41</i><sup>−/−</sup> mice display increased inflammation</b>	
Trompette et al. (37)	Exacerbated asthma Impaired dendritic cell generation
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Tang et al. (46)	Increased insulin secretion and improved glucose tolerance in type 2 diabetes

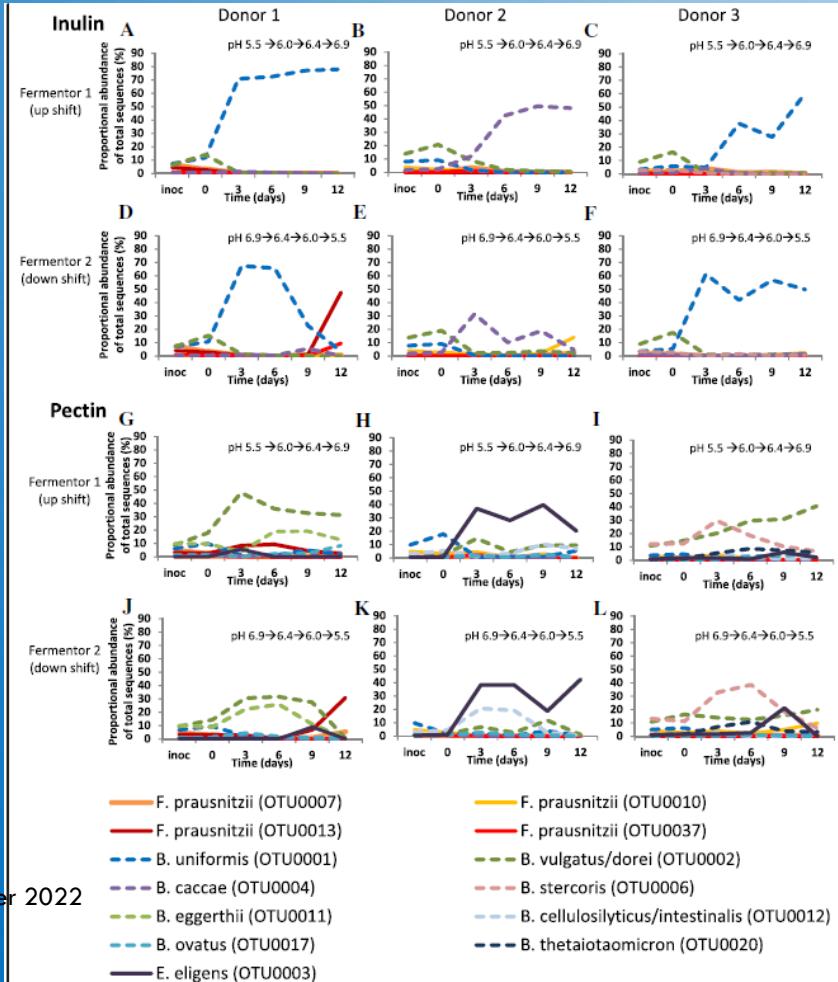
## GPR41 AND GPR43 EXPRESSION IS TISSUE-SPECIFIC

## GPR41 AND GPR43 AS POTENTIAL THERAPEUTIC TARGETS FOR OBESITY, COLITIS, ASTHMA, AND ARTHRITIS

## REPORTS ON GPR41 AND GPR43 KNOCKOUT MICE PHENOTYPES ARE IN CONSISTENT

Zhiwei Ang and Jeak Ling Ding\*  
*Front. Imm.* 2016  
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# MICROBIOTA AND SCFA RESPONSES VARY VERY INDIVIDUALLY

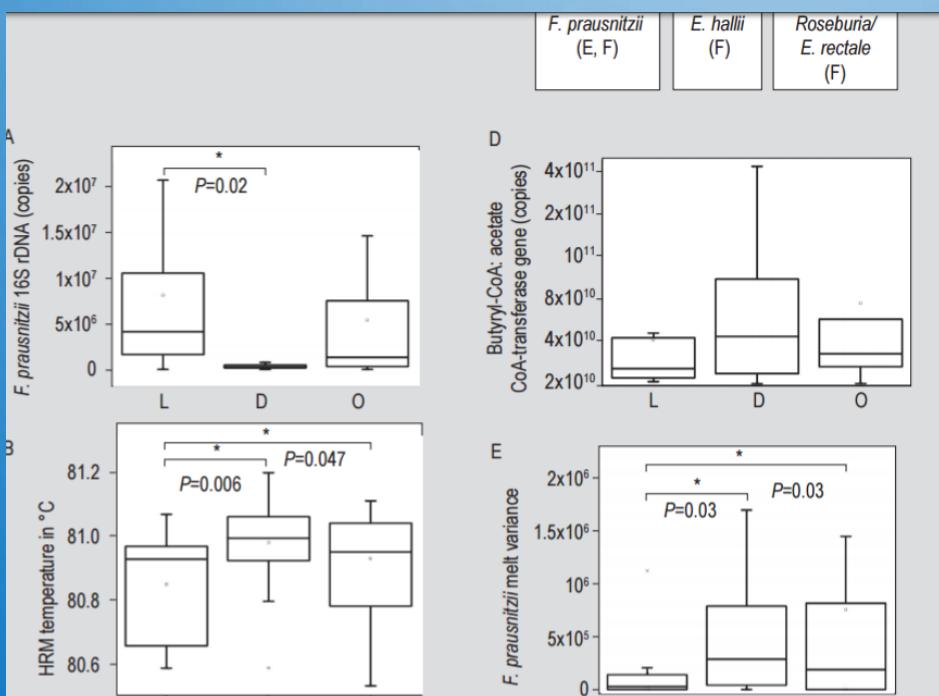


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**Fig. 7** Short chain fatty acids (SCFA) in upshift and downshift fermentors. Mean SCFA values (means and standard deviations) and proportional abundance of bacterial families based on sequence analysis of 16S rRNA gene amplicons are shown for the 16 fermentor runs described in Fig. 3. Significant changes in % SCFA (from ANOVA) are discussed in the text. ANOVA revealed significant decreases in % Bacteroidaceae between pH 6.9 and pH 5.5 in inulin fermentors F1 ( $P = 0.015$ ) and F2 ( $P = 0.012$ ), but with pectin only for the F2 (downshift) fermentors ( $P = 0.0001$ ). % Bifidobacteriaceae and % Lachnospiraceae increased significantly at pH 5.5 compared with pH 6.9 in F2 inulin ( $P = 0.007$ ) and F1 inulin ( $P = 0.025$ ) fermentors, respectively

# SCFAS PRODUCERS, PHYLOTYPES DIFFER IN OBESE, DIABETES



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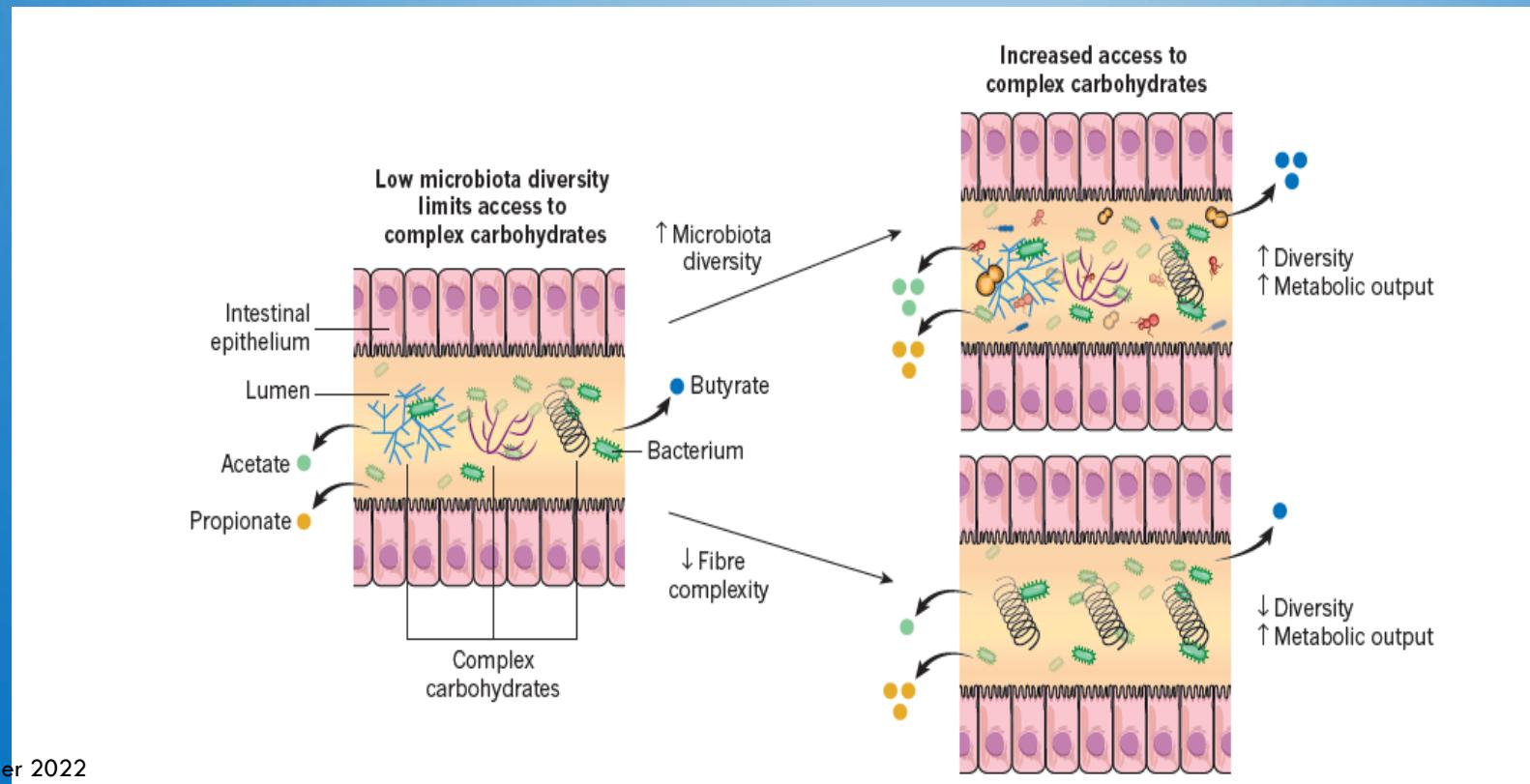


***Faecalibacterium prausnitzii* phylotypes in type two diabetic, obese, and lean control subjects**

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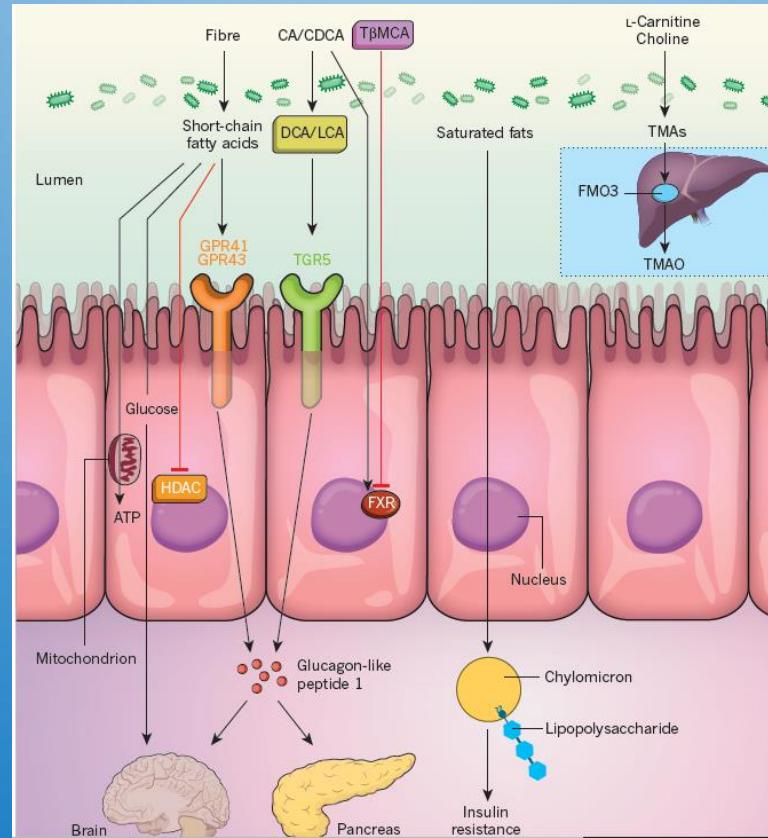
# DIET DICTATES THE PRODUCTION OF SCFAS, DIVERSITY OF THE MICROBIOTA, MANY TYPES OF COMPLEX CARBS



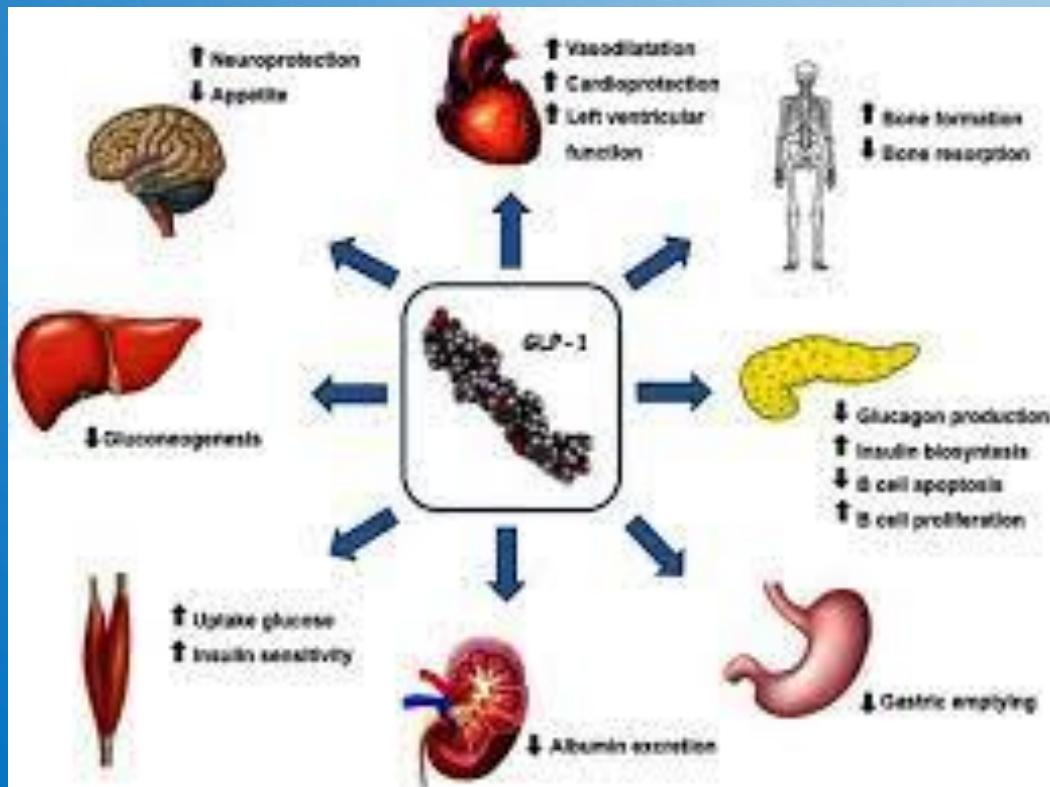
# ENDOTOXINS, SATURATED FATS/ CHYLOMICRONS TRIGGER INFLAMMATION, INSULIN RESISTANCE; SCFAS MAY TRIGGER GLP1 ACTIVATION

GLP1: incretin  
improves DMII and  
obesity

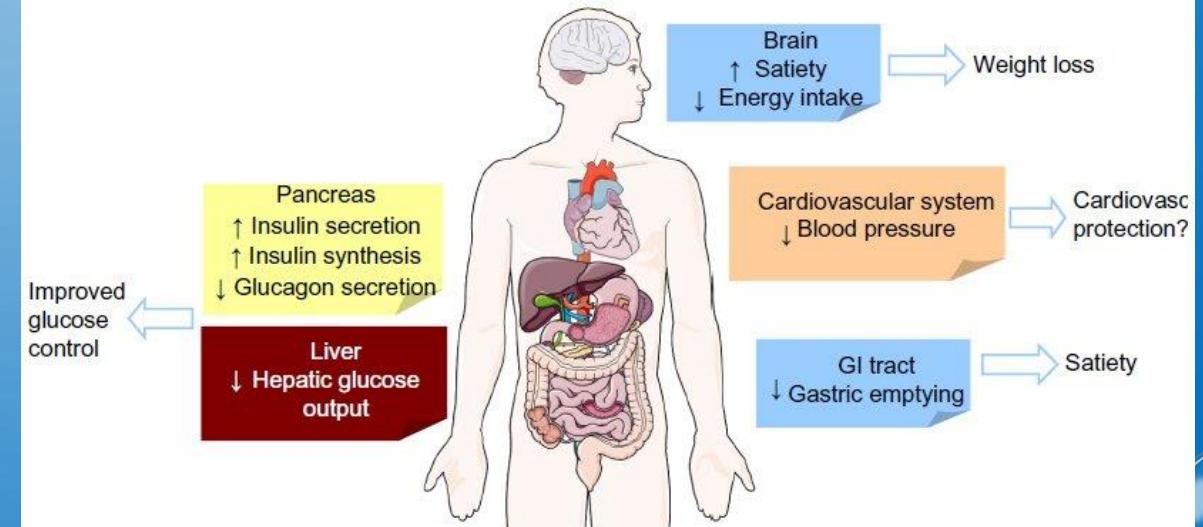
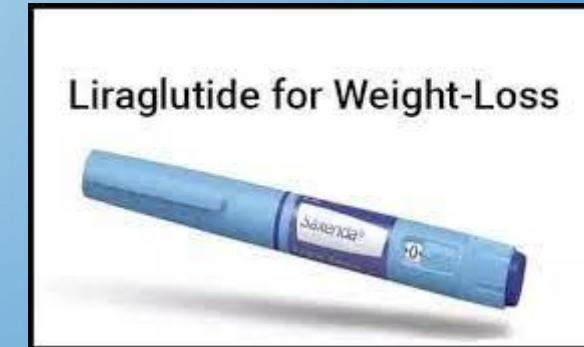
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# GLP1, ANALOGS

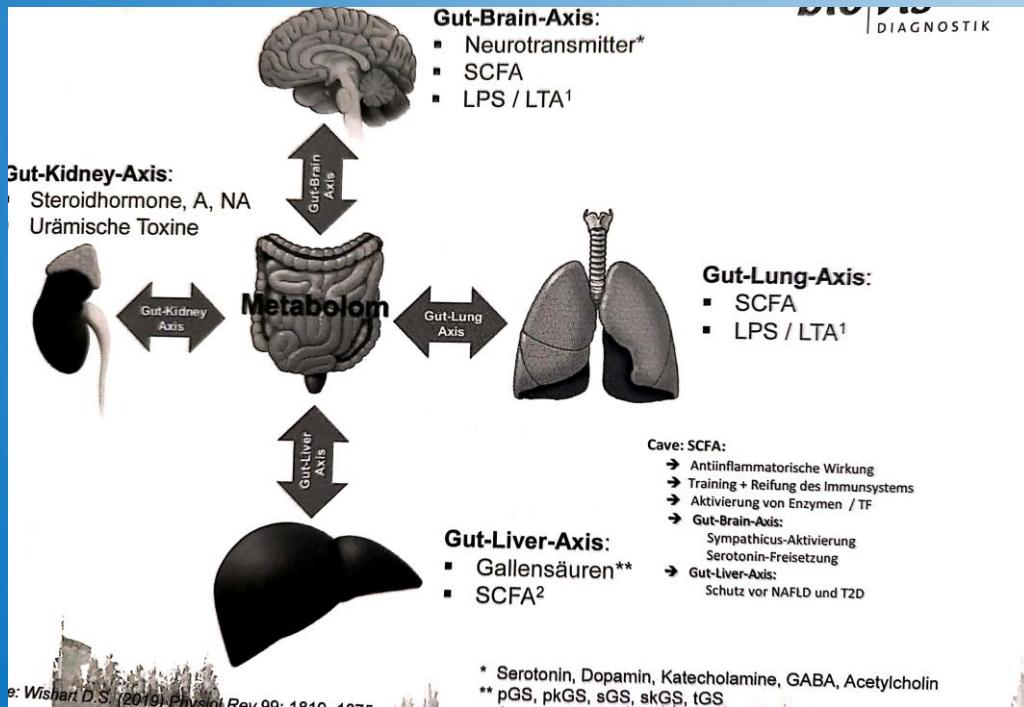


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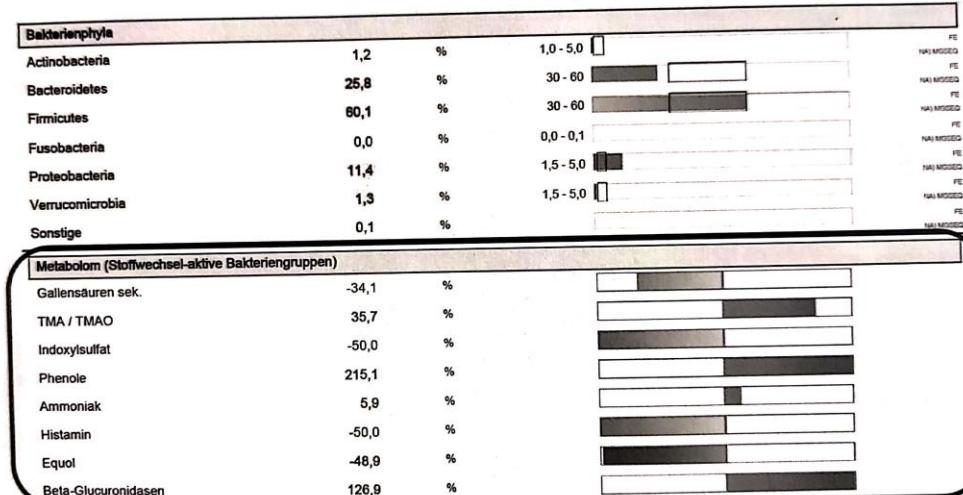


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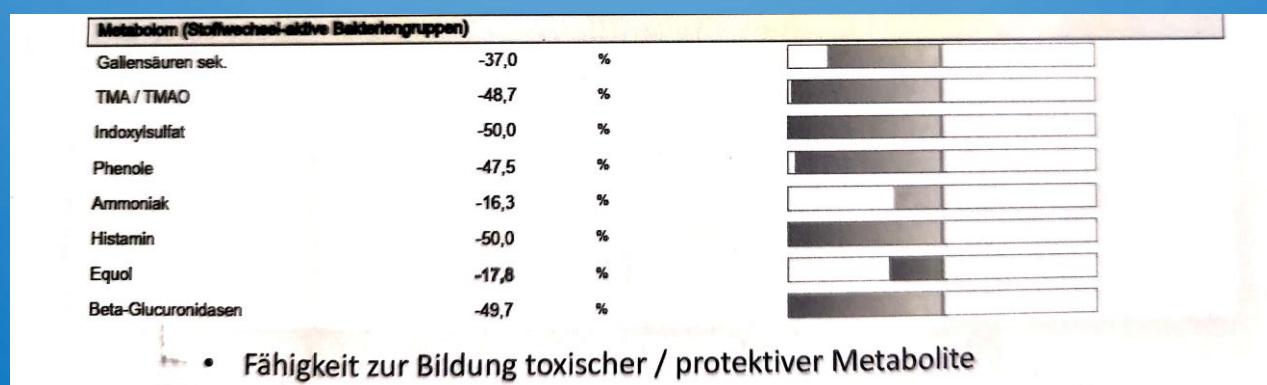
# MICROBIOTA AND METABOLOMICS



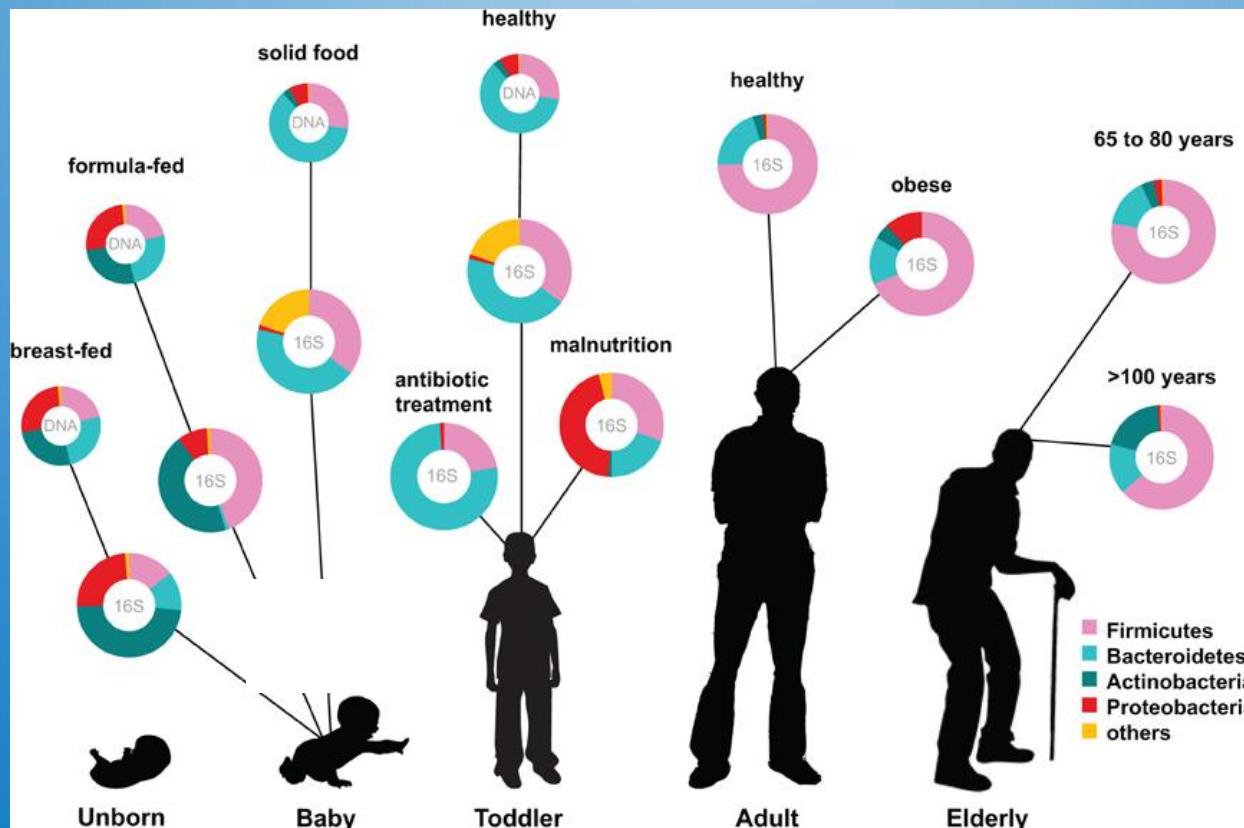
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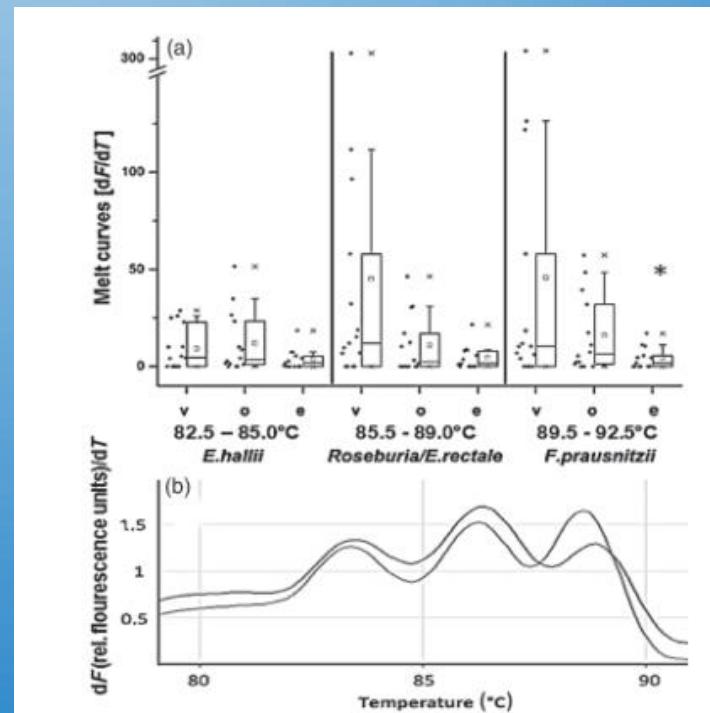
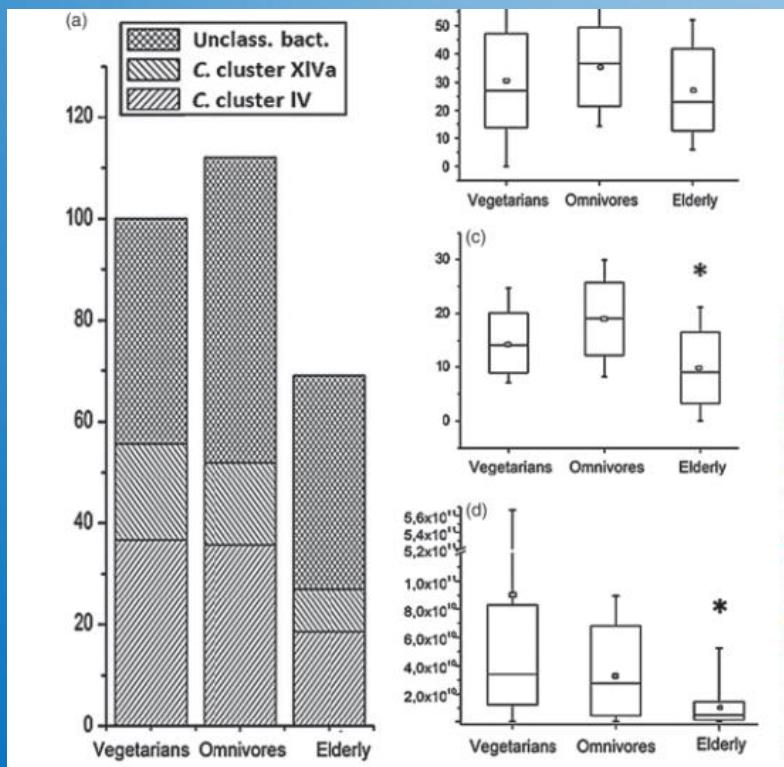
- Fähigkeit zur Bildung toxischer / protektiver Metabolite
- Grafik: prozentuale Abweichung von der Norm



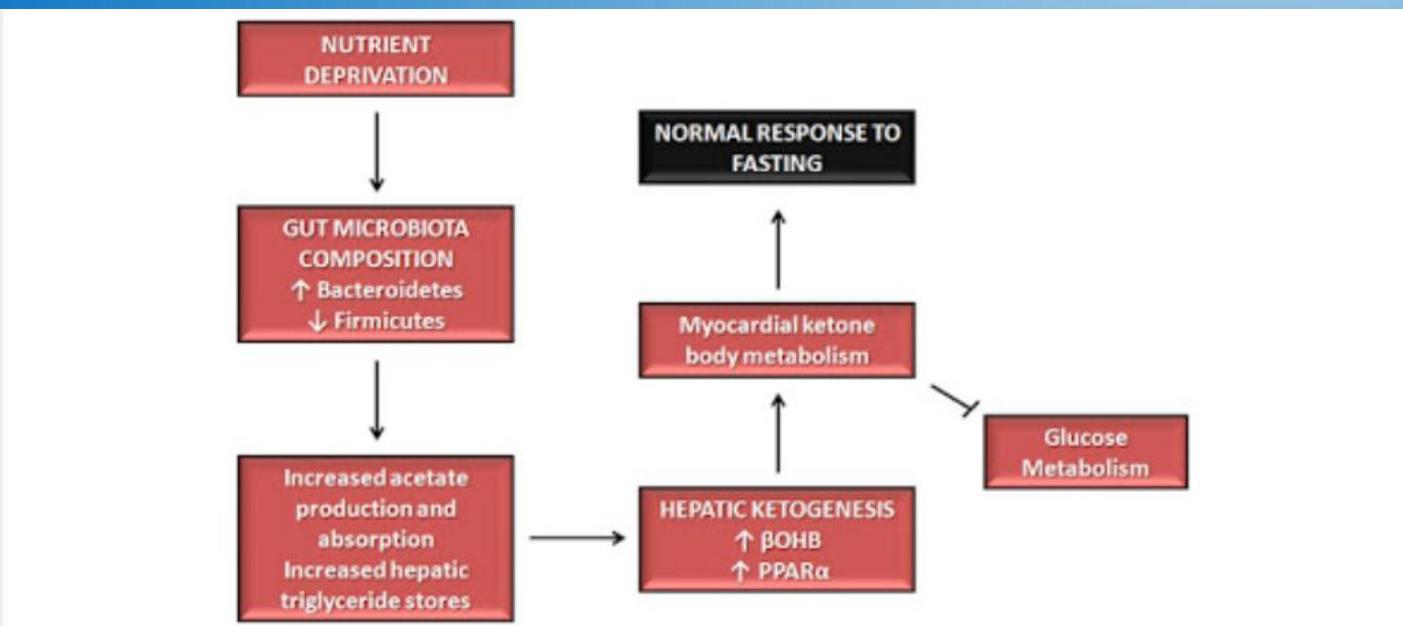
# AGING AND MICROBIOTA



# SCFAS IN ELDERLY: DECREASE IN SCFAS PRODUCERS AND „BUTYRATE GEN PRODUCING GENE“ IN ELDERLY

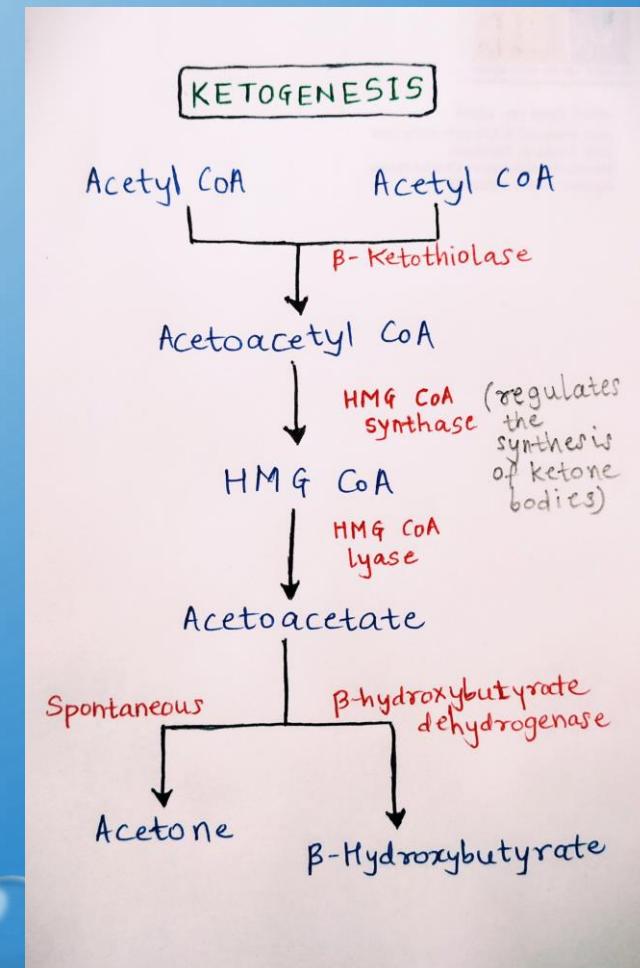


# MICROBIOTA REGULATE NOT ONLY SCFAS BUT ALSO KETONE BODIES IN CALORIC RESTRICTION, BETA HYDROXY BUTYRATE , BHB



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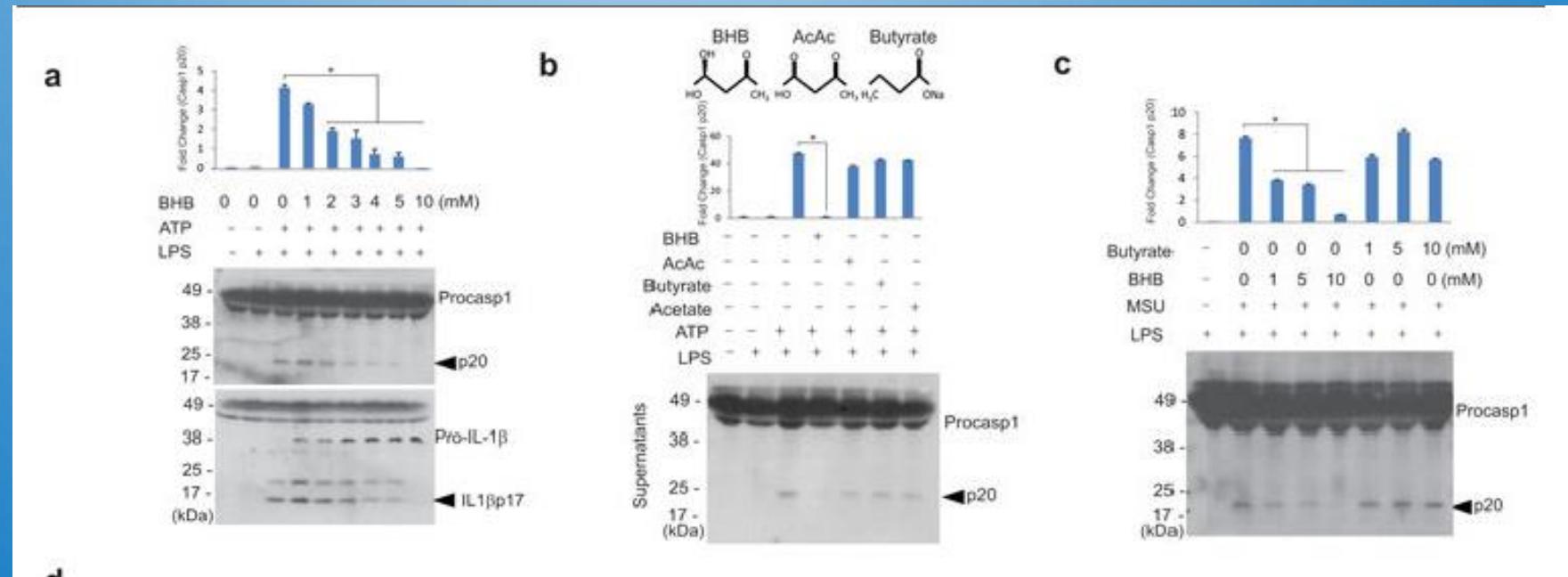
Crawford PA et al, 2009). Regulation of myocardial ketone body metabolism by the gut microbiota during nutrient deprivation. *Proceedings of the National Academy of*



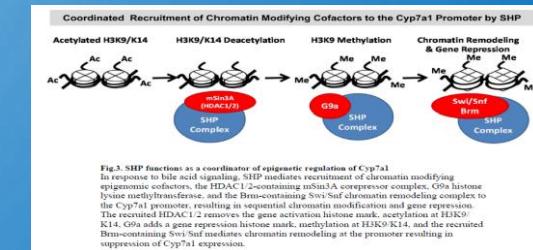
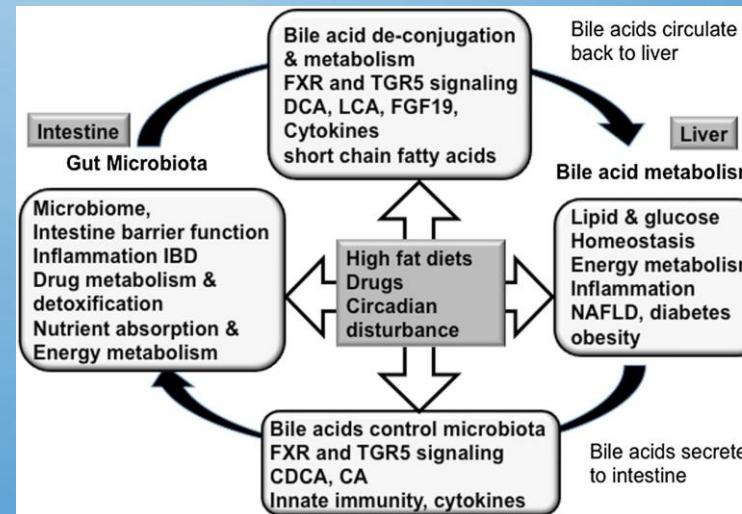
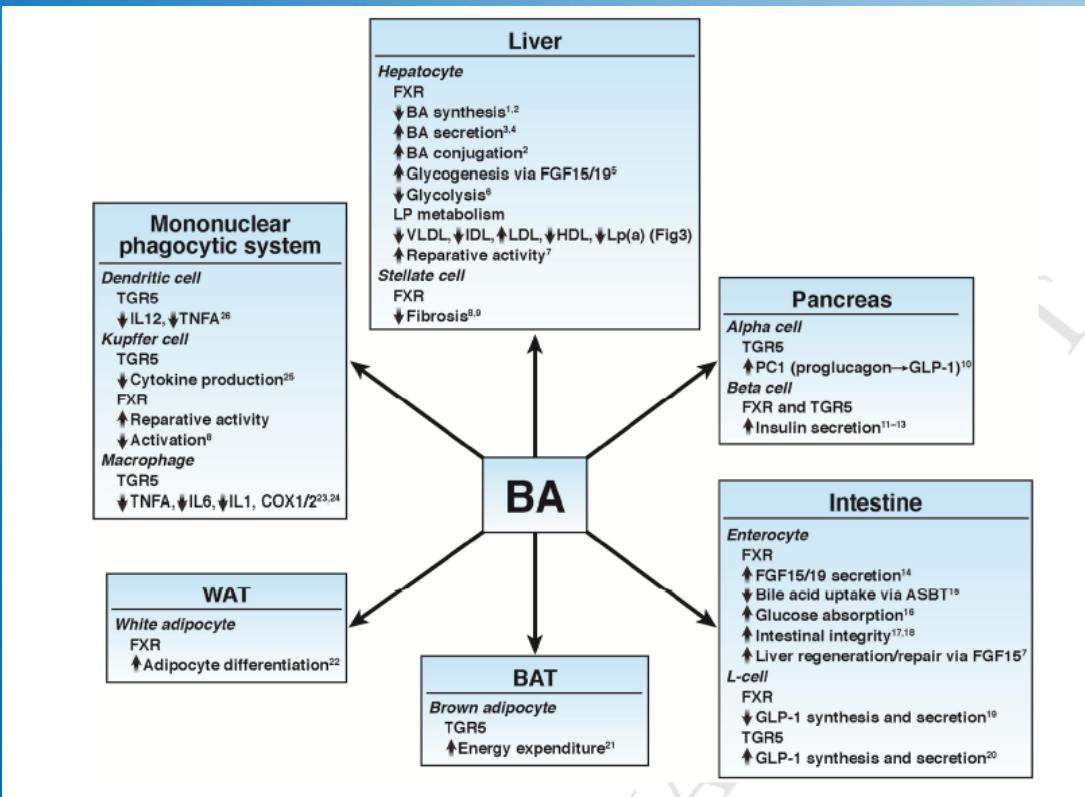
# KETONE BODY B-HYDROXYBUTYRATE BLOCKS THE NLRP3 INFLAMMASOME-MEDIATED INFLAMMATORY DISEASE( CASPASE SUBUNIT )

Ketogenic diet may improve inflammation via epigenetics, but can also lead to an overload of LPS thru high SFA and low vegetable intake

Yun-Hee Youm et al.  
Nat med. 2015



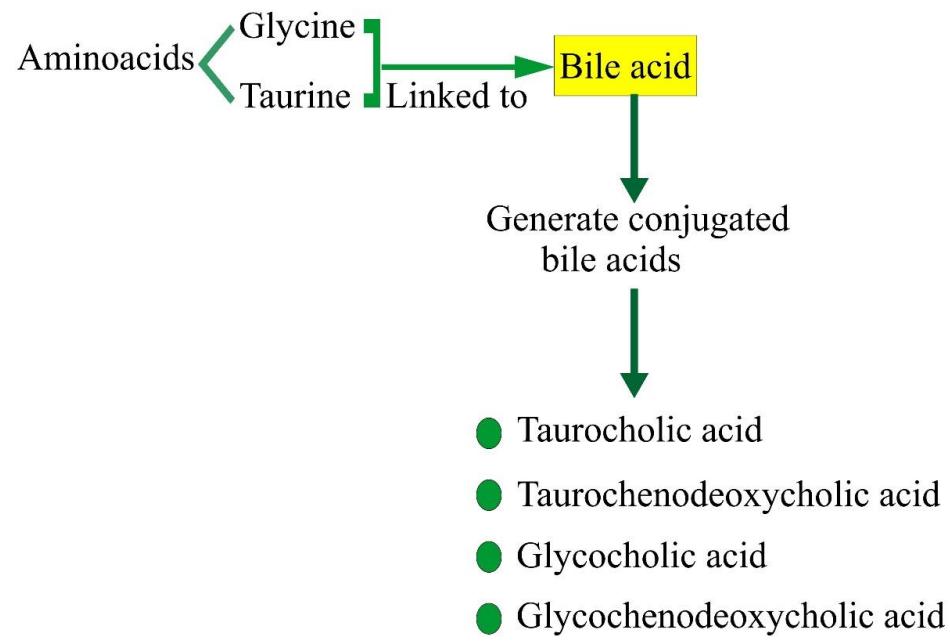
# MICROBIOTA MODULATED BILE ACIDS ARE EPIGENETICALLY ACTIVE AND VIA FXR REGULATE INFLAMMATION



Bile acid control of metabolism and inflammation in obesity, type 2 diabetes, dyslipidemia and NAFLD  
Oscar Chávez-Talavera, et al, 2017

# BILE ACIDS

Primary bile acids are synthesized by the liver. Secondary bile acids result from bacterial actions in the colon. In humans, taurocholic acid and glycocholic acid (derivatives of cholic acid) and taurochenodeoxycholic acid and glycochenodeoxycholic acid (derivatives of chenodeoxycholic acid) are the major bile salts in bile and are roughly equal in concentration



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# GUT BRAIN / IMMUNE- AXIS

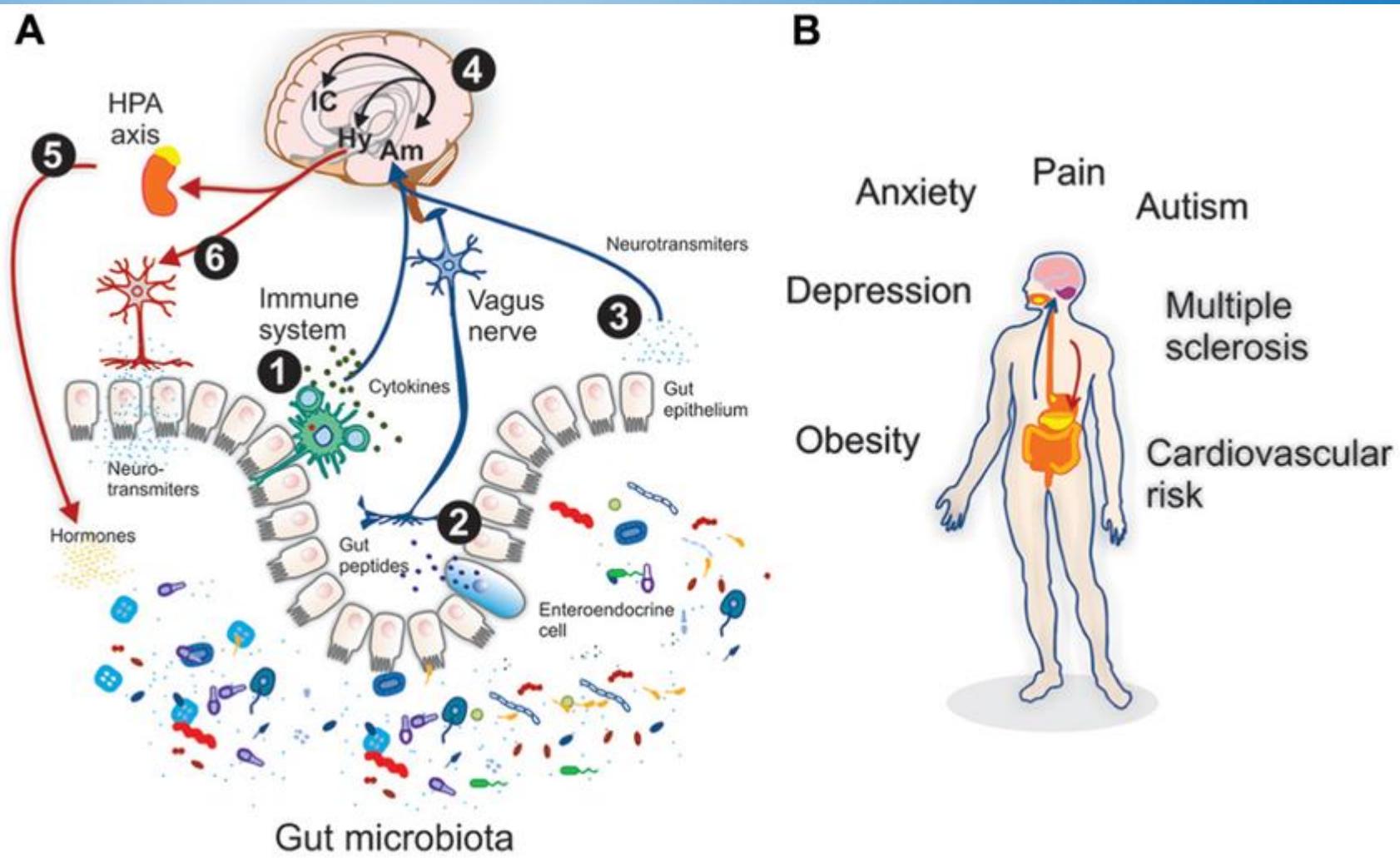
## Effects of intestinal microbiota on anxiety-like behavior

Karen-Anne M. Neufeld,<sup>1,4</sup> Nancy Kang,<sup>1,2</sup> John Bienenstock<sup>1,3</sup> and Jane A. Foster<sup>1,2,\*</sup>

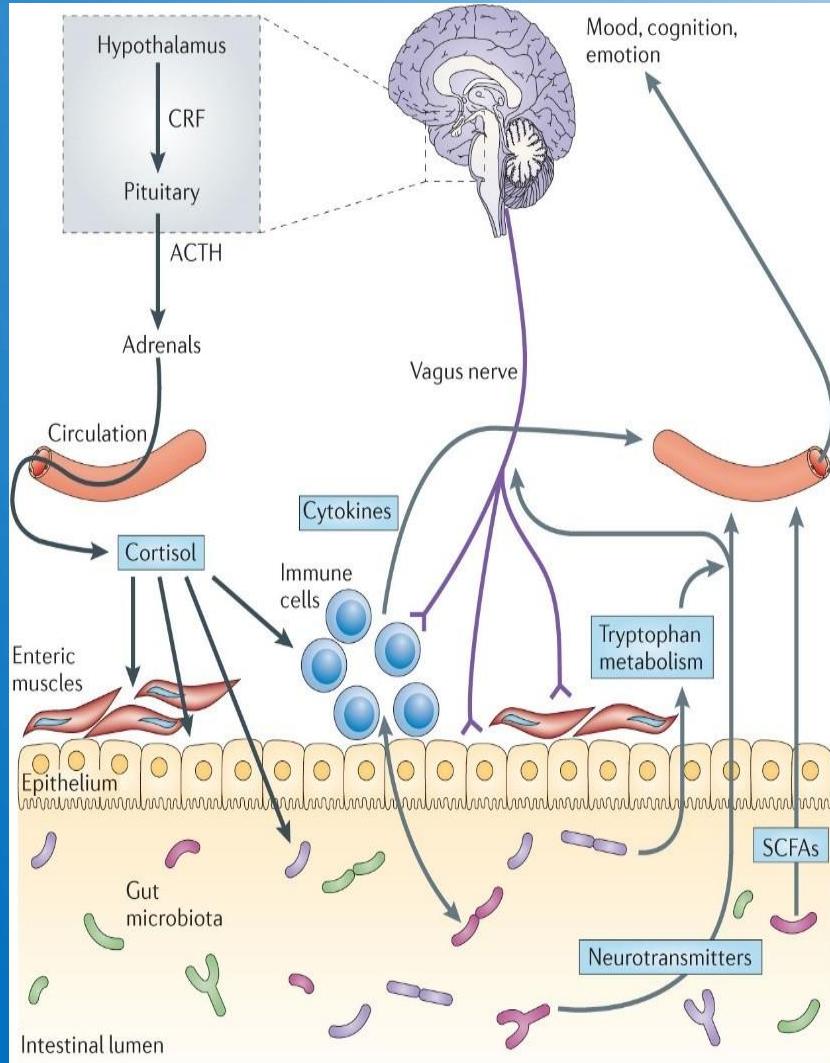
<sup>1</sup>Brain-Body Institute; St. Joseph's Healthcare; <sup>2</sup>Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences; <sup>3</sup>Department of Pathology and Molecular Medicine; <sup>4</sup>Medical Sciences Graduate Program; McMaster University; Hamilton, ON Canada

The acquisition of intestinal microbiota in the immediate postnatal period has a defining impact on the development and function of many immune and metabolic systems integral to health and well-being. Recent research has shown that the presence of gut microbiota regulates the set point for hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal (HPA) axis activity.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly, we sought to investigate if there were other changes of brain function such as behavioral alterations in germ free (GF) mice, and if so, to compare these to behavior of mice with normal gut microbiota. Our recent paper showed reduced anxiety-like behavior in the elevated plus maze (EPM) in adult GF mice when compared to conventionally reared specific pathogen-free (SPF) mice.<sup>2</sup> Here, we present data collected when we next colonized the adult GF mice with SPF feces thereby introducing normal gut microbiota, and then reassessed anxiety-like behavior. Interestingly, the anxiety-like behavioral phenotype observed in GF mice persisted after colonization with SPF intestinal microbiota. These data show that gut-brain interactions are important to CNS development of stress systems and that a critical window may exist after which reconstitution of microbiota and the immune system does not normalize the behavioral phenotype.

Key words: germ free, microbiota, anxiety-like behavior, gut-brain, elevated plus maze  
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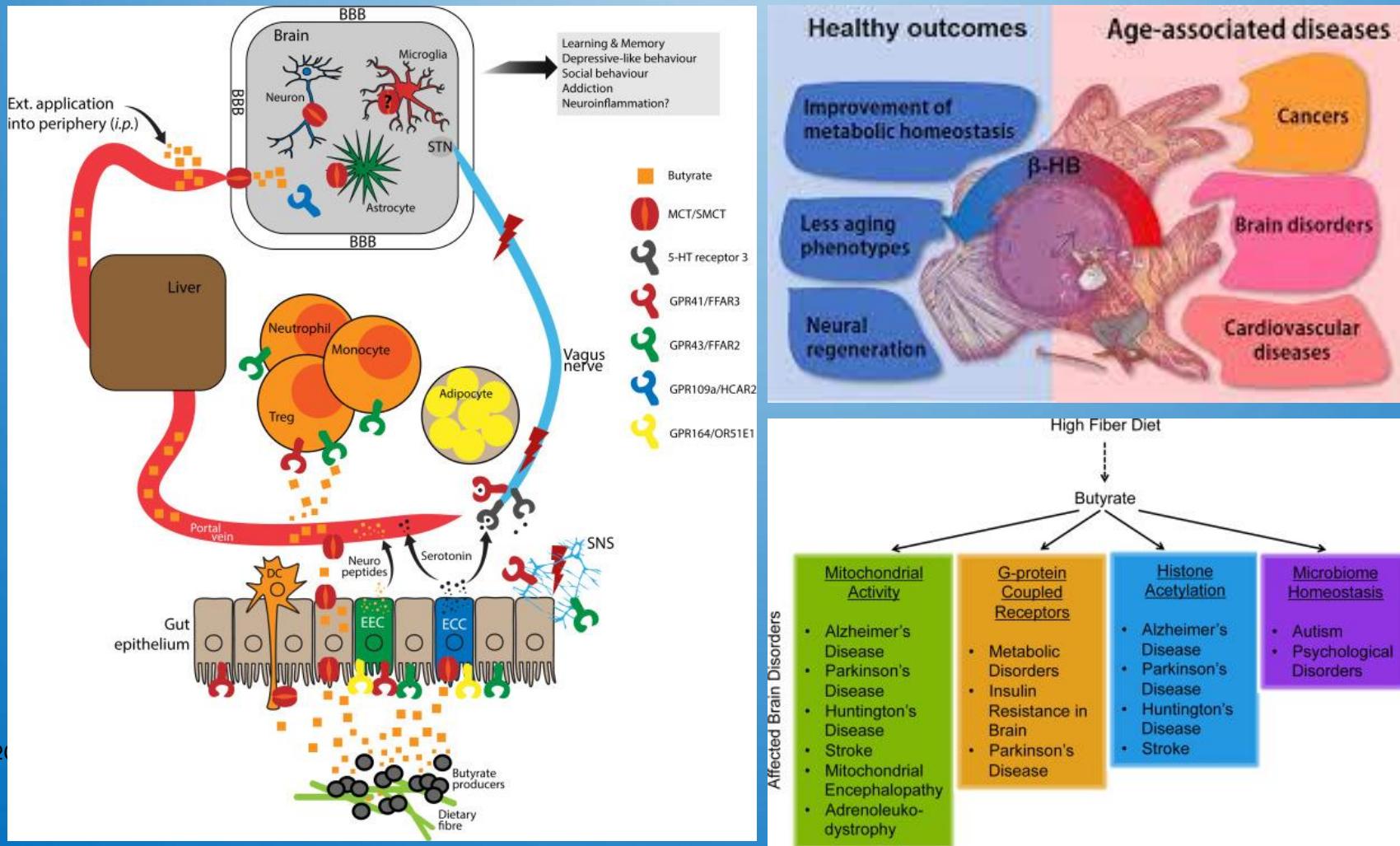


# Gut-Microbiota-Brain Communication



- ◆ Bidirectional communication
  - ✓ Central nervous system (brain and spinal cord)
  - ✓ Autonomic nervous system (sympathetic and parasympathetic)
  - ✓ Enteric nervous system (intrinsic nervous system of GI tract)
  - ✓ Hypothalamic pituitary adrenal axis (HPA)
  - ✓ Microbiome (collection of <sup>11</sup> microorganisms and their genomes in the gut)

# BUTYRATE, BETA-HYDROXYBUTYRATE AND THE BRAIN

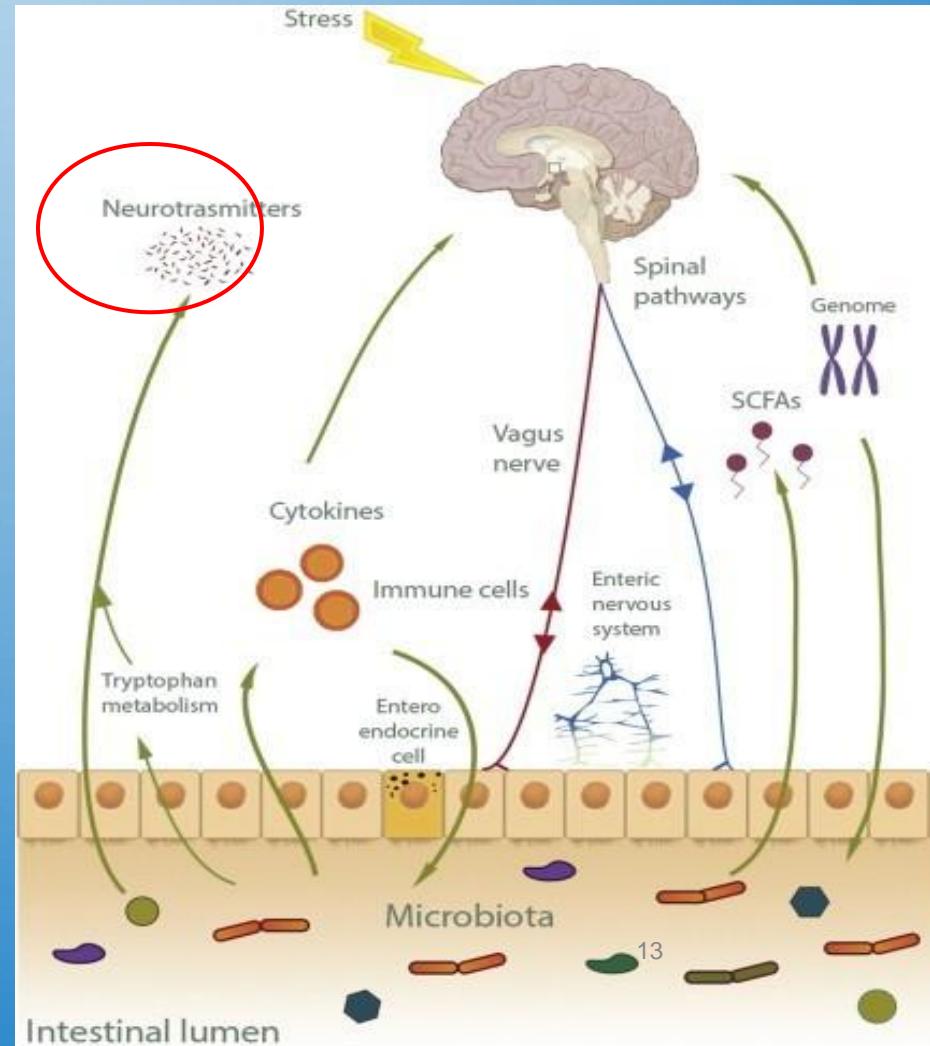


# VAGUS NERVE

- ♦ Major nerve of the parasympathetic division of the autonomic nervous system
- ♦ Important pathway for bidirectional communication between the gut microbes and the brain
- ♦ Preclinical/animal studies demonstrate that probiotic effects on brain are dependent on vagal afferent signals
  - ✓ *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* directly activates vagal neurons
  - ✓ Induces region-dependent alterations in GABA receptor expression in the brain and reduced stress-induced corticosterone and anxiety- and depression-like symptoms via vagus nerve signaling in mice
- ♦ Vagotomized mice do not exhibit this effect

# Neurotransmitter and the gut

- ♦ Acetylcholine
- ♦ Noradrenaline
- ♦ Adrenaline
- ♦ Gamma-amino butyric acid (GABA)
- ♦ Serotonin



Burokas et al., Advances in Applied Microbiology, 91 (2015): 1-62

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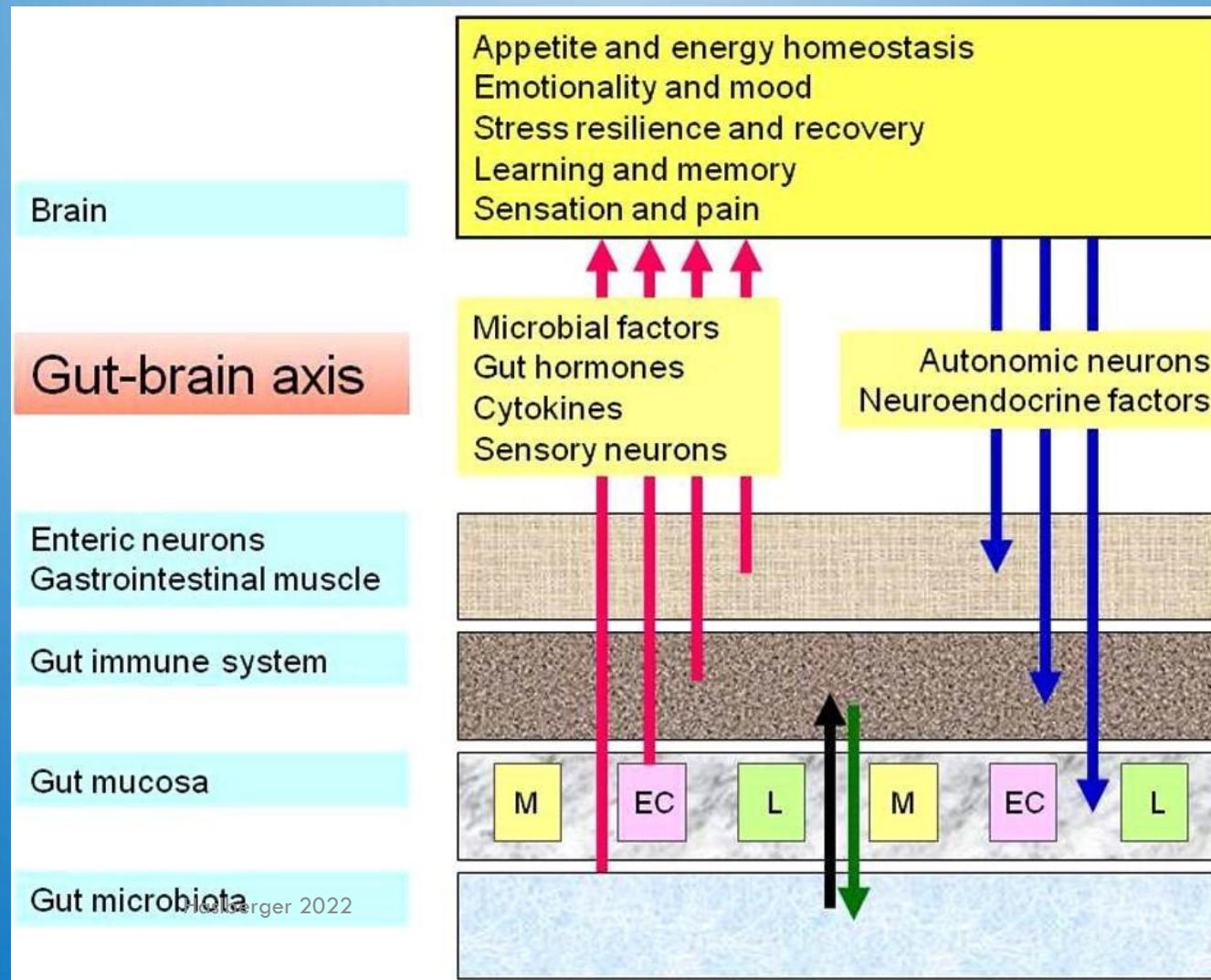
# Bacteria & Neurotransmitters

Neurotransmitter	Genus
GABA	<i>Lactobacillus</i> , <i>Bifidobacterium</i>
Norepinephrine	<i>Escherichia</i> , <i>Bacillus</i> , <i>Saccharomyces</i>
Acetylcholine	<i>Lactobacillus</i>
Serotonin	<i>Candida</i> , <i>Streptococcus</i> , <i>Escherichia</i> , <i>Enterococcus</i>

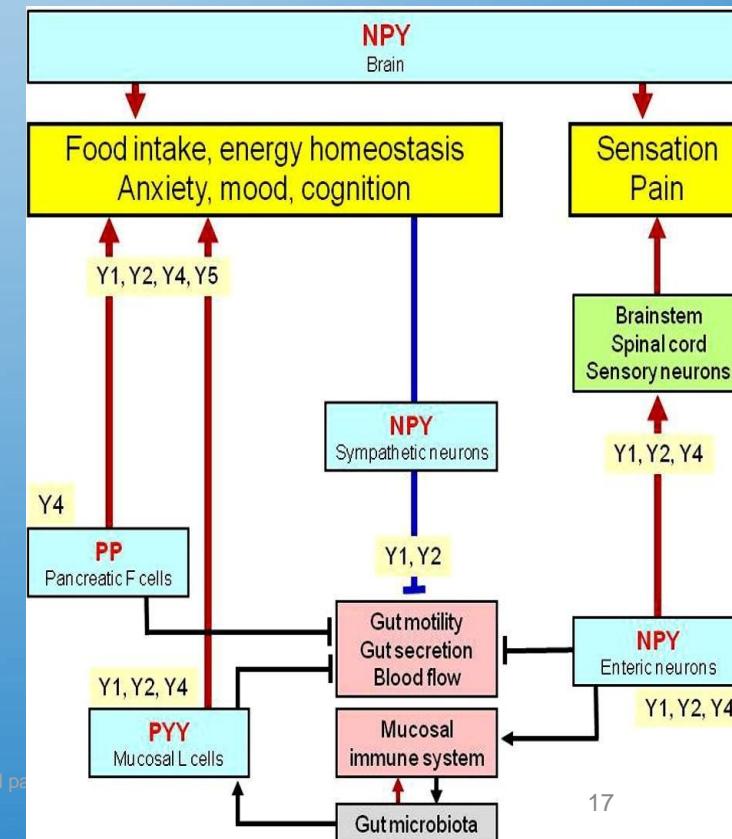
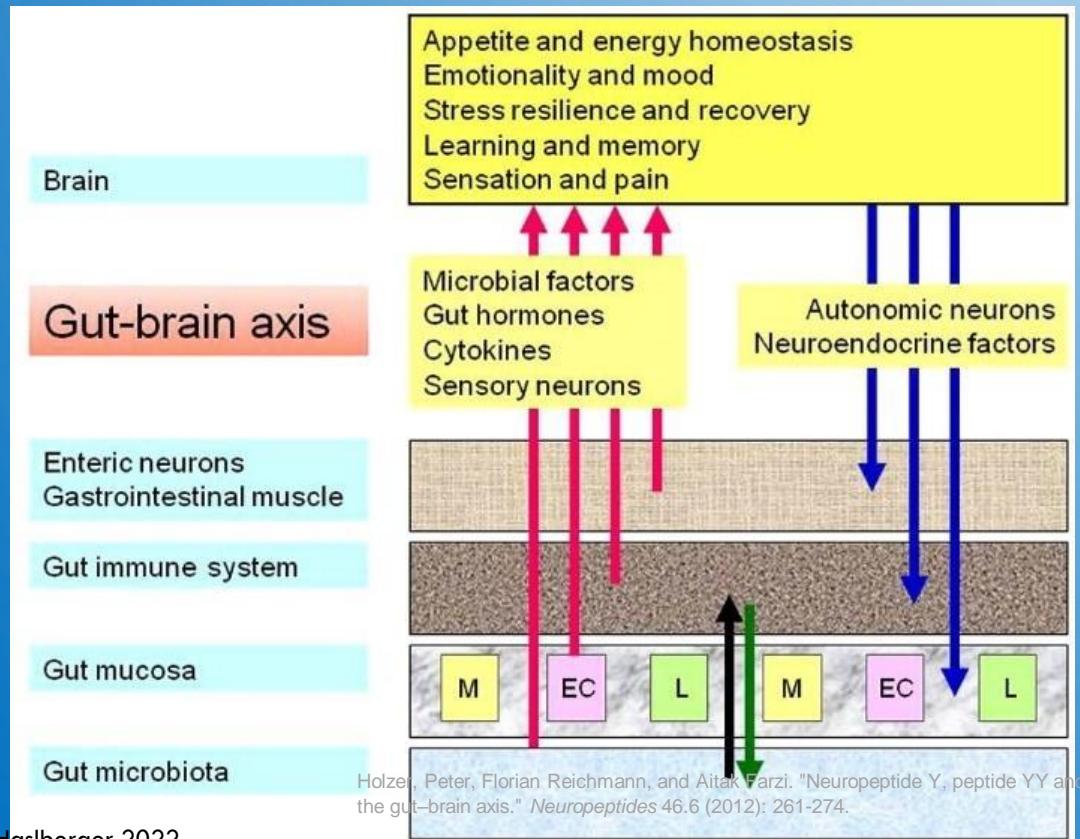
# SEROTONIN

- ♦ Biogenic amine that functions as a neurotransmitter
  - / Tryptophan is precursor
  - / Involved in GI secretion
  - / Gut motility
  - / Pain perception
  - / Maintenance of mood and cognition
- ♦ 95% of serotonin is contained in the gut in the mucosa and nerve terminals of the enteric nervous system
- ♦ Alterations in serotonin transmission may underlie pathological symptoms
  - / Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors are known to modulate psychiatric and GI disorders (e.g., IBS)

# FUNCTIONS OF GUT BRAIN AXIS, APPETITE

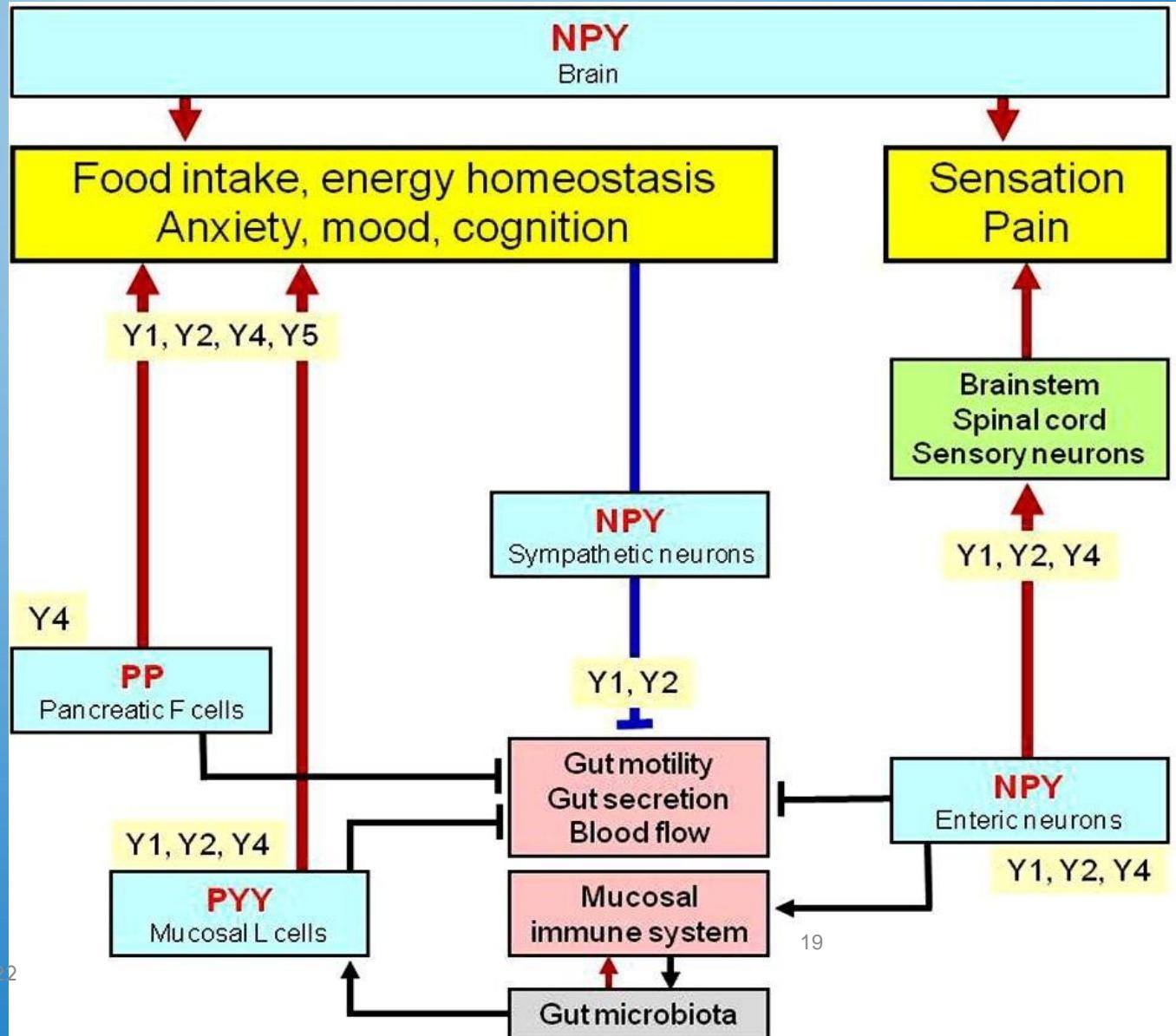


# Gut Hormones and Neuropeptides



# Neuro-peptide Y and the gut

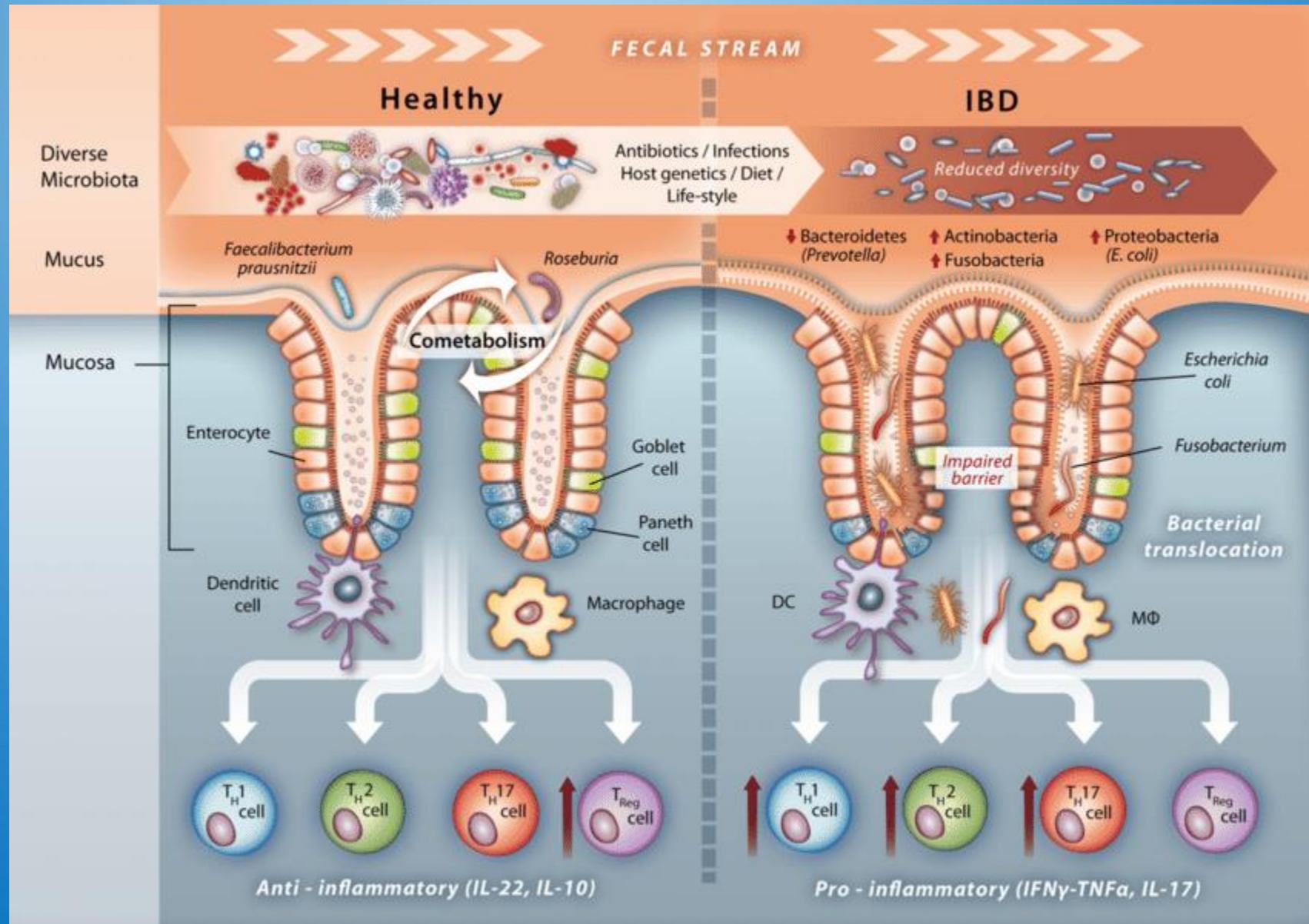
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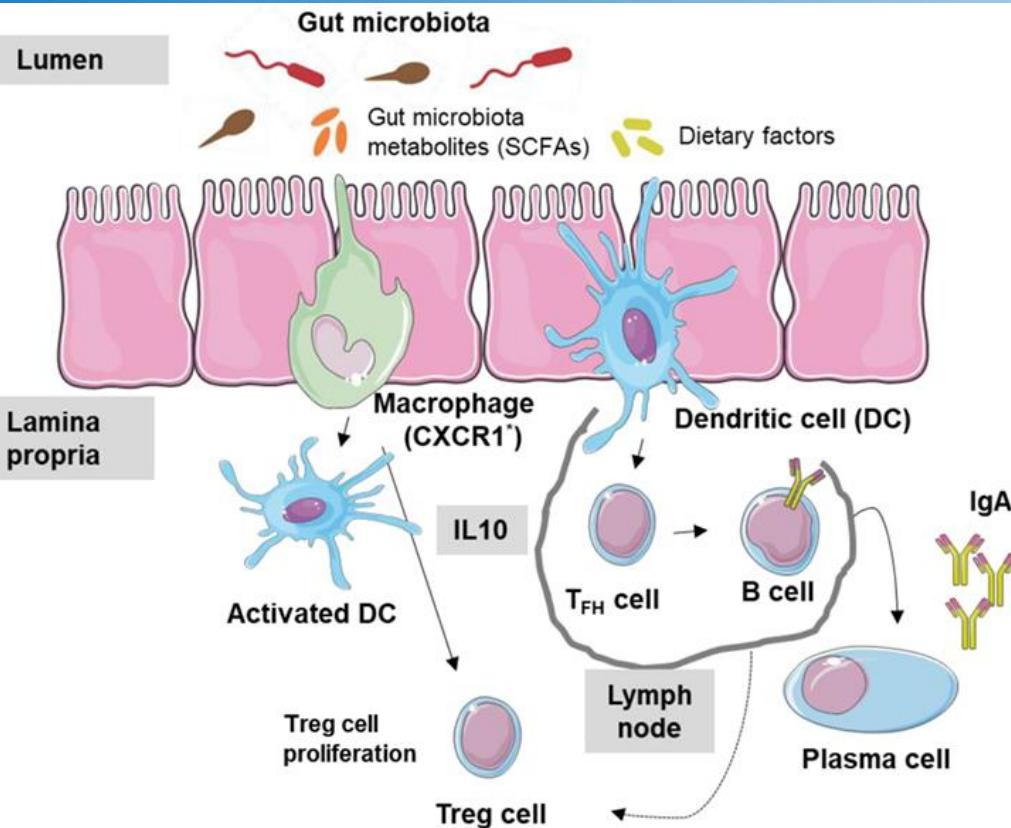
# IBD

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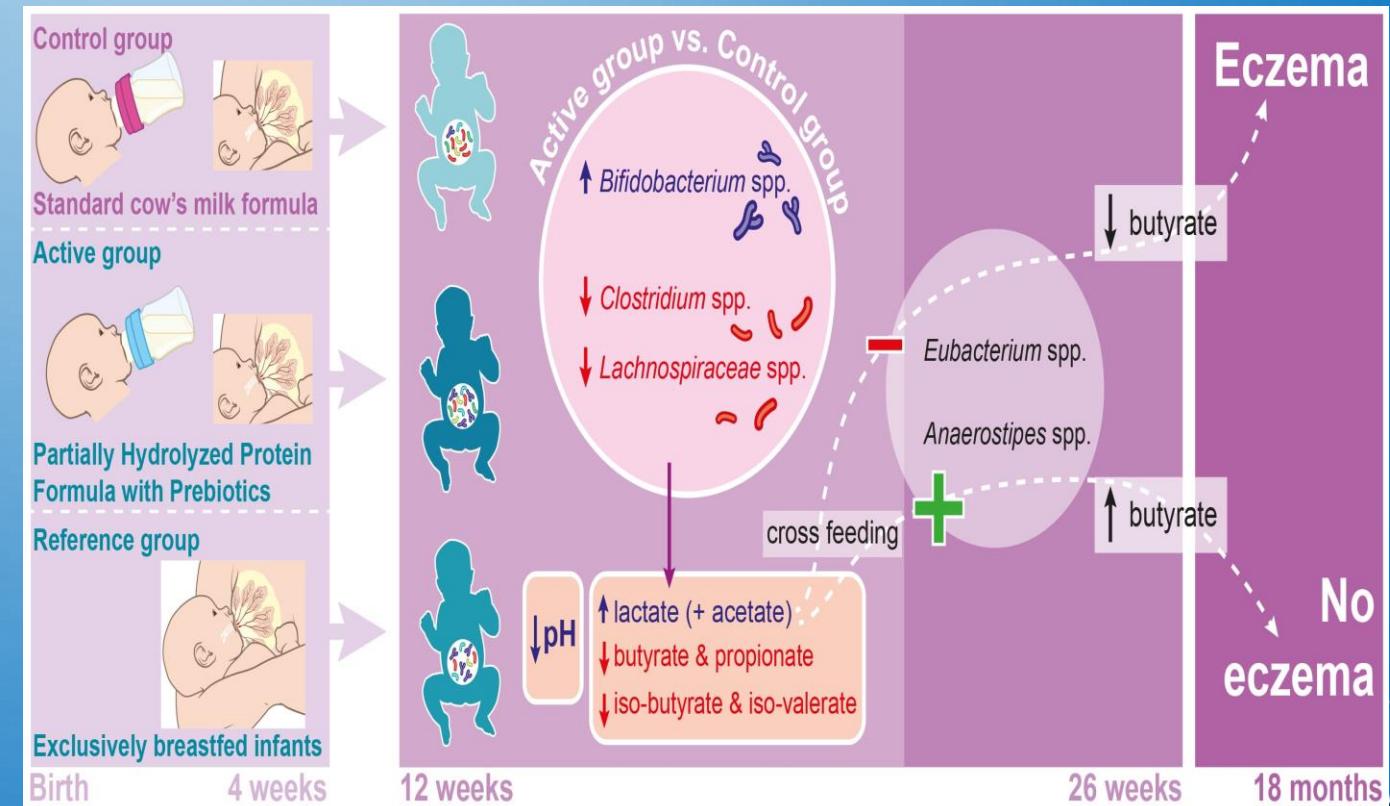


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# ALLERGY, MICROBIOTA, BIFIDOB., BUTYRATE

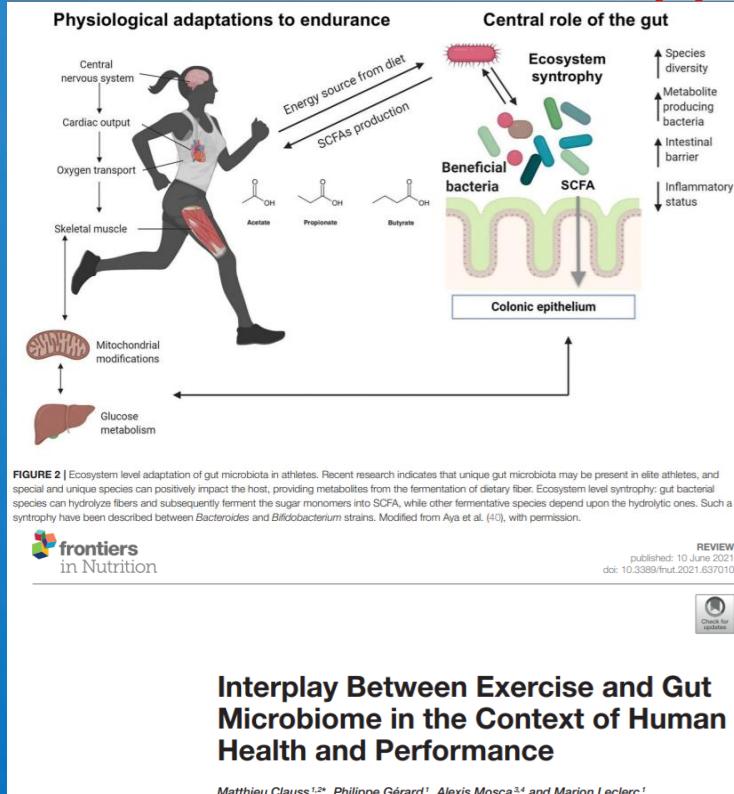


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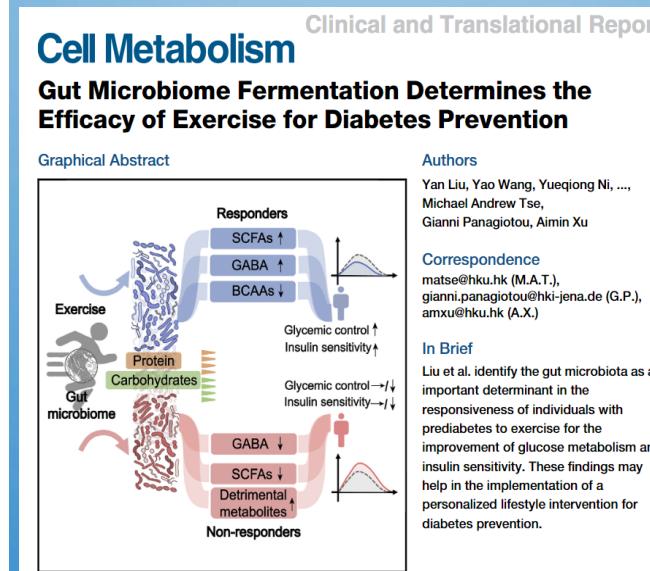
# LIFESTYLE: EXERCISE MODULATES MICROBIOTA, METABOLITES AND EPIGENETICS (MIRNAS)



## Interplay Between Exercise and Gut Microbiome in the Context of Human Health and Performance

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Enhanced amount of SCFA producers by exercise ?  
Production of metabolites decides effectivity of exercise against diabetes



**Journal of the International Society of Sports Nutrition**  
miRNA-based "fitness score" to assess the individual response to diet, metabolism and exercise  
-Manuscript Draft-

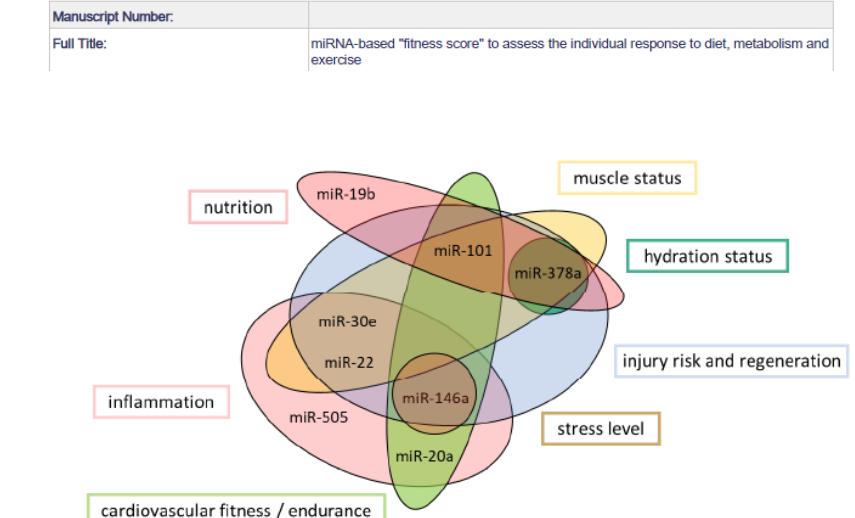
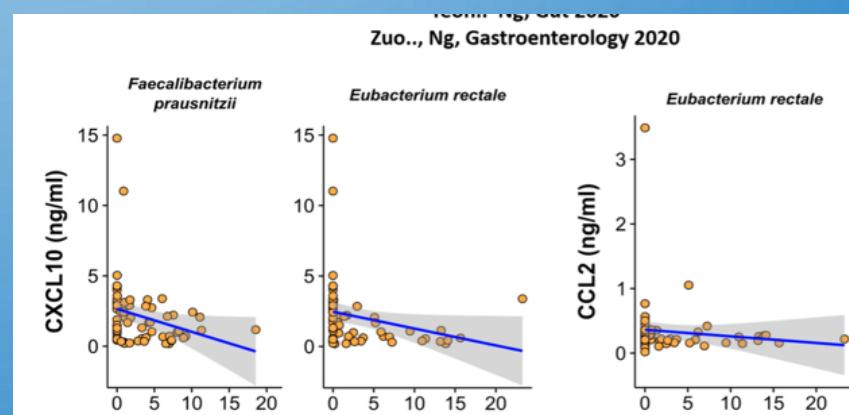
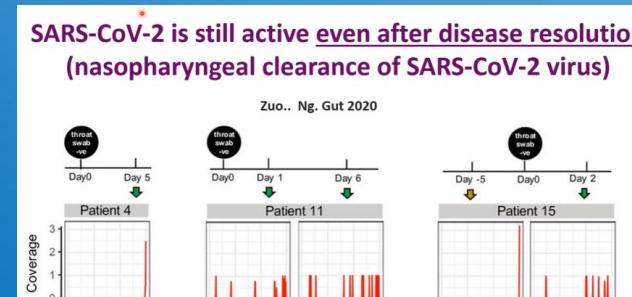
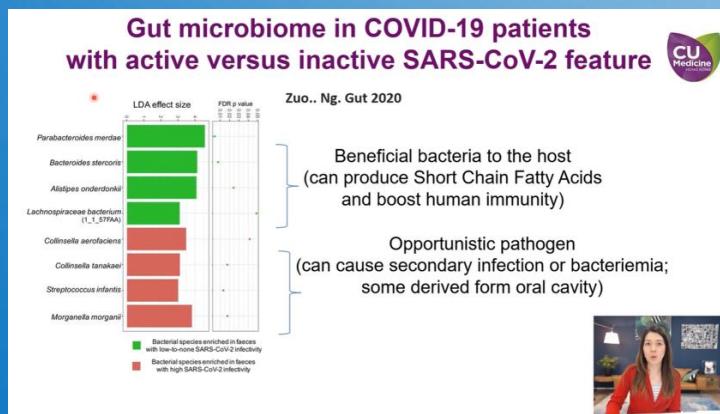
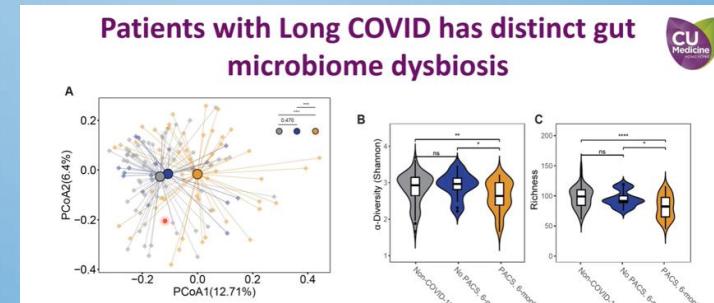
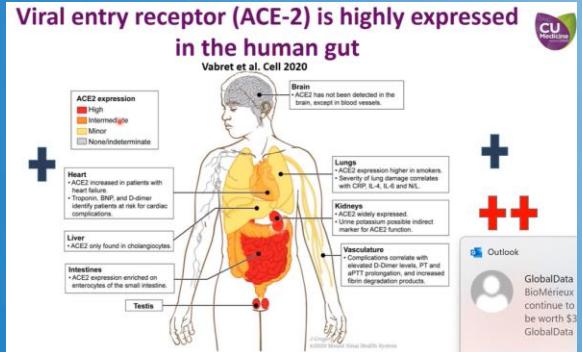


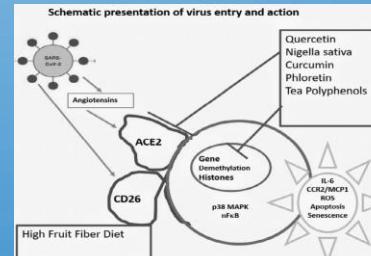
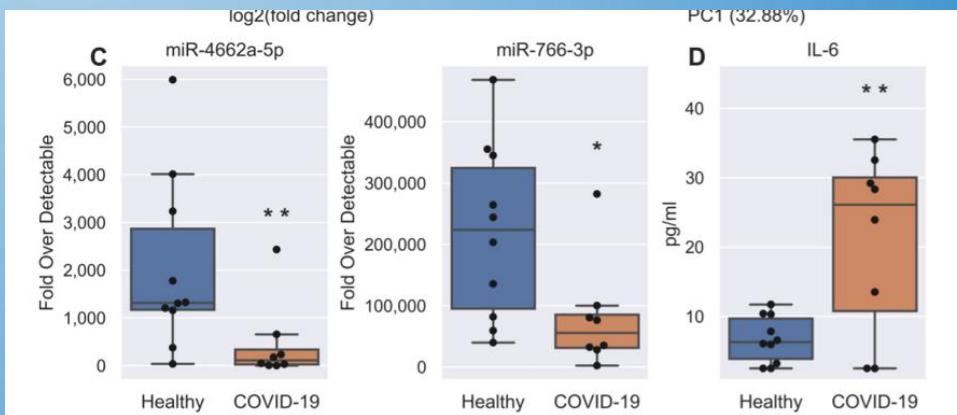
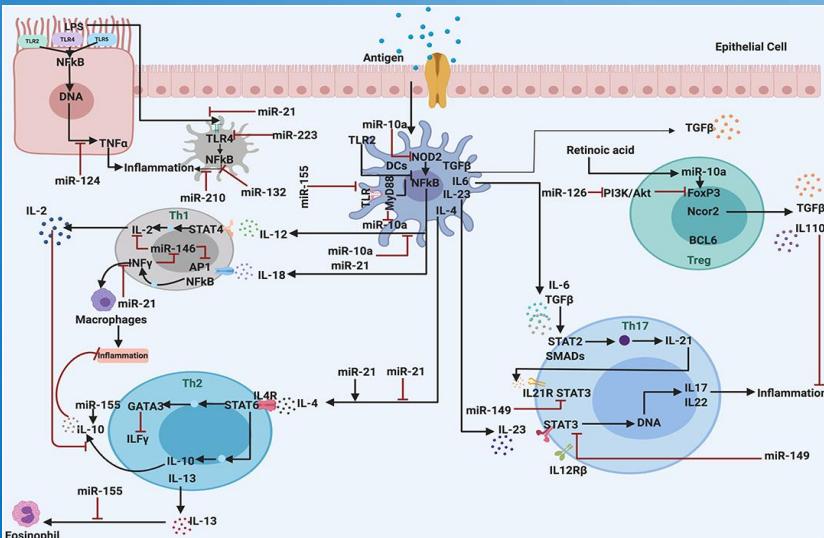
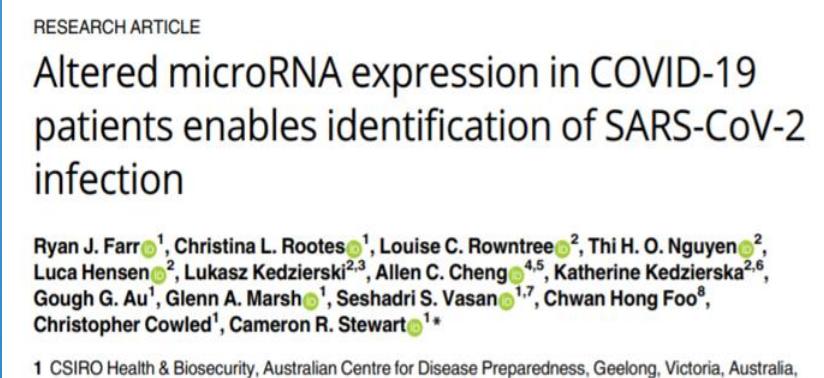
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# COVID, LONG COVID, MICROBIOTA AND EPIGENETICS



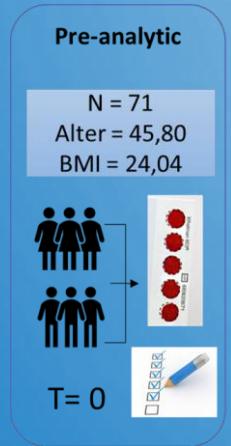
**The Promise of Microbiota Modulation during COVID-19 Pandemic**  
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# 3 MIRNAS MONITOR SARS-COV-2 INFECTION, MIRNAS MONITOR ANTI-VIRAL IMMUNE- RESPONSES

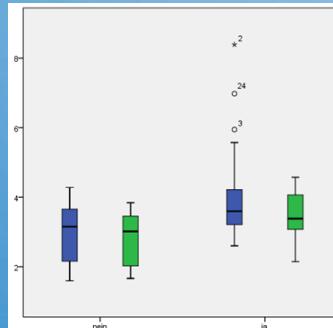


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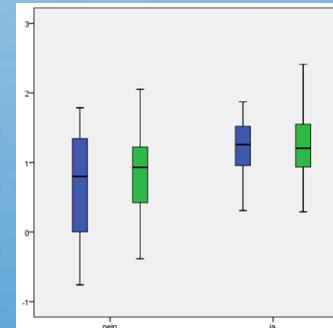
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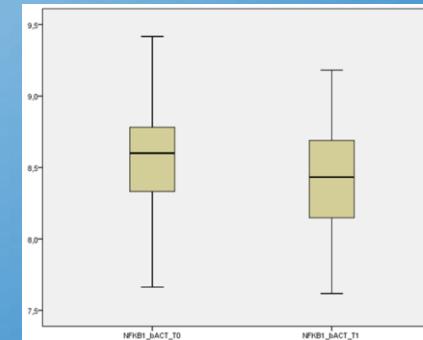
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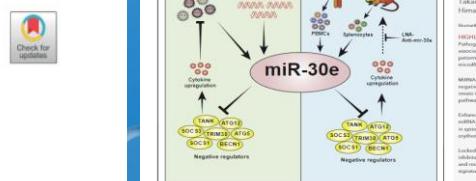
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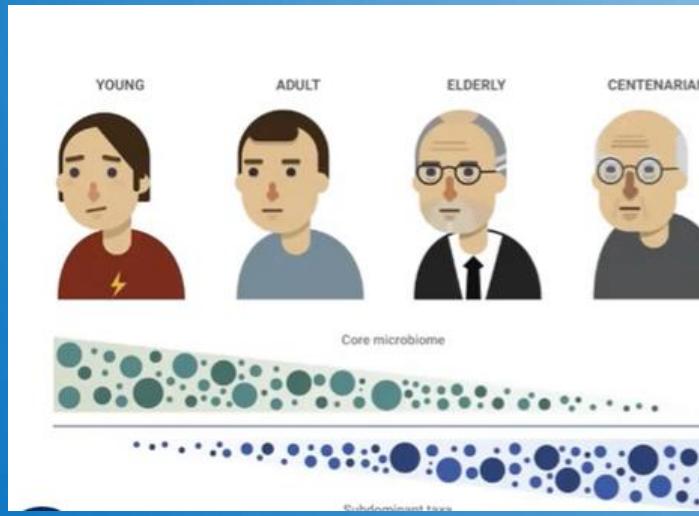
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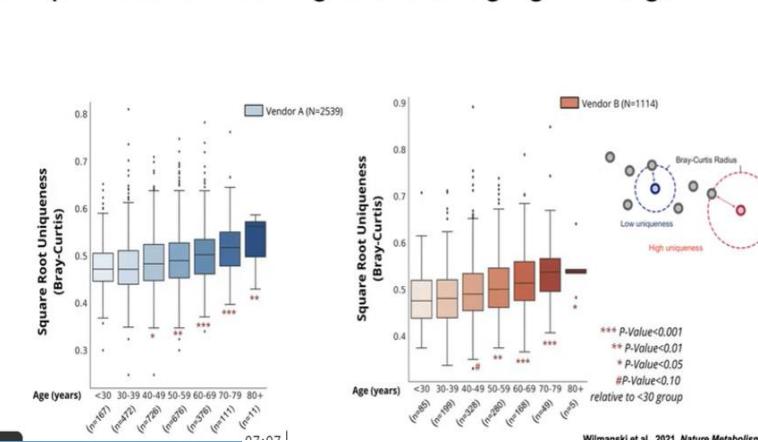
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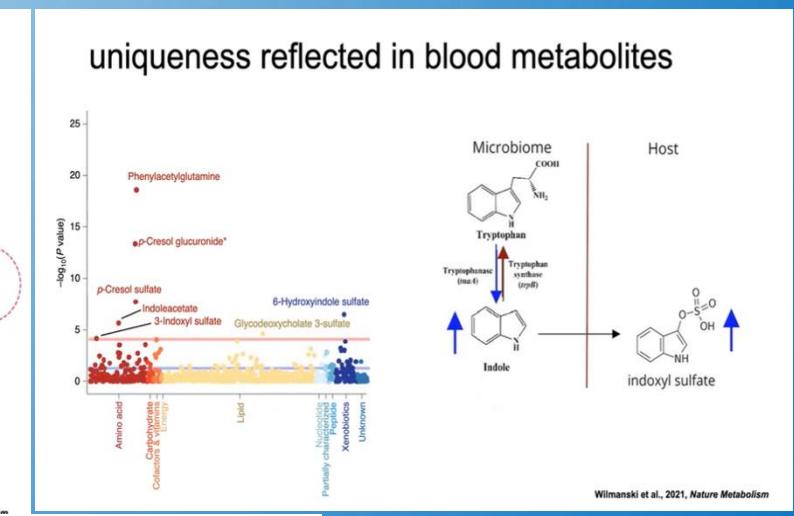
# AGING, BACTERIAL DIVERSITY, UNIQUENESS AND HEALTH



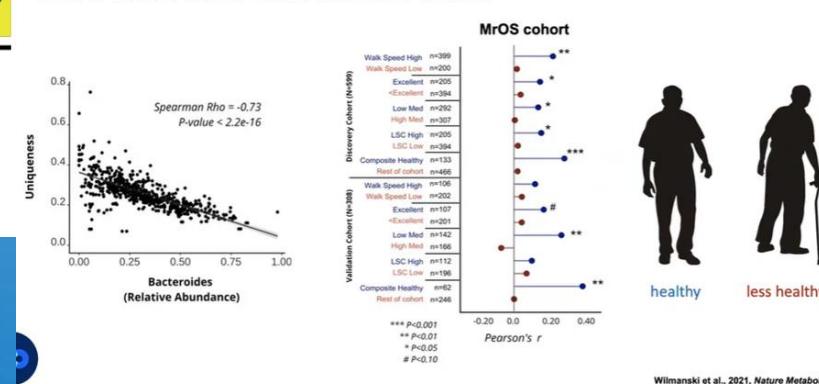
uniqueness: a clear signature of aging in the gut



uniqueness reflected in blood metabolites

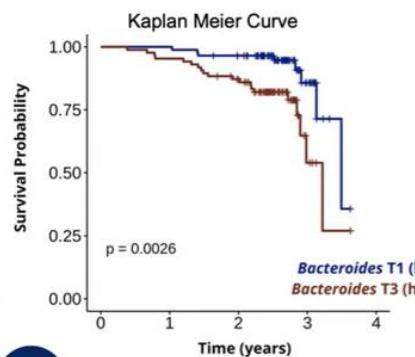


uniqueness pattern is associated with reduction in core taxa and with health state



# BACTEROIDETES DECIDE UPON HEALTHY AGING ?

*Bacteroides* abundance predicts survival in 4 year follow-up of MrOS subjects



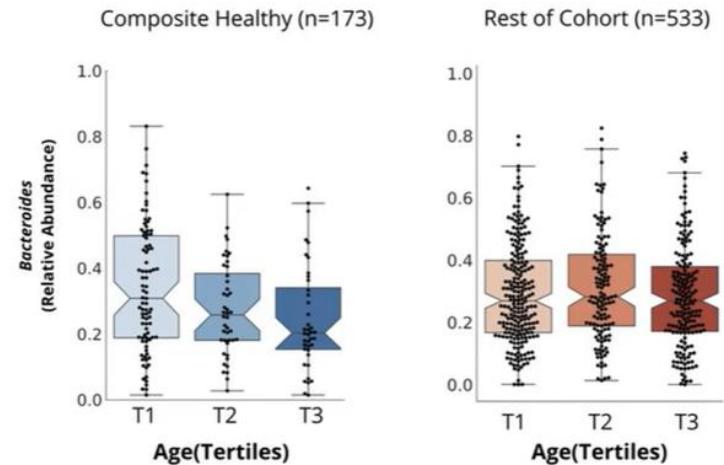
Cox Proportional Hazards Regression models

	Unadj. HR (95%CI)	Age, Clinical Site, & batch Adj. HR (95%CI)	Multivariable Adj. HR (95% CI)*
Relative <i>Bacteroides</i> Abundance	1.21 (0.95-1.53)	<b>1.30 (1.01-1.67)</b>	<b>1.28 (1.00-1.64)</b>
Uniqueness (Bray-Curtis)	1.17 (0.92-1.48)	1.1 (0.86-1.40)	1.11 (0.87-1.42)
Relative <i>Bacteroides</i> Abundance	<b>1.70 (1.25-2.31)</b>	<b>1.88 (1.35-2.62)</b>	<b>1.90 (1.37-2.64)</b>
Uniqueness (Bray-Curtis)	0.78 (0.54-1.07)	<b>0.69 (0.49-0.99)</b>	<b>0.70 (0.50-0.99)</b>

Wilmanski et al., 2021, *Nature Metabolism*

*Bacteroides* declines with extreme age in healthiest subjects, but not in the less healthy subjects

MrOS cohort  
78-98 years old



Wilmanski et al., 2021, *Nature Metabolism*

Article | Published: 18 February 2021

**Gut microbiome pattern reflects healthy ageing and predicts survival in humans**

Tomasz Wilmanski, Christian Diener, Noa Rappaport, Sushmita Patwardhan, Jack Wiedrick, Jodi Lapidus, John C. Earls, Anat Zimmer, Gustavo Glusman, Max Robinson, James T. Yurkovich, Deborah M. Kado, Jane A. Cauley, Joseph Zmuda, Nancy E. Lane, Andrew T. Magis, Jennifer C. Lovejoy, Leroy Hood, Sean M. Gibbons, Eric S. Orwoll & Nathan D. Price

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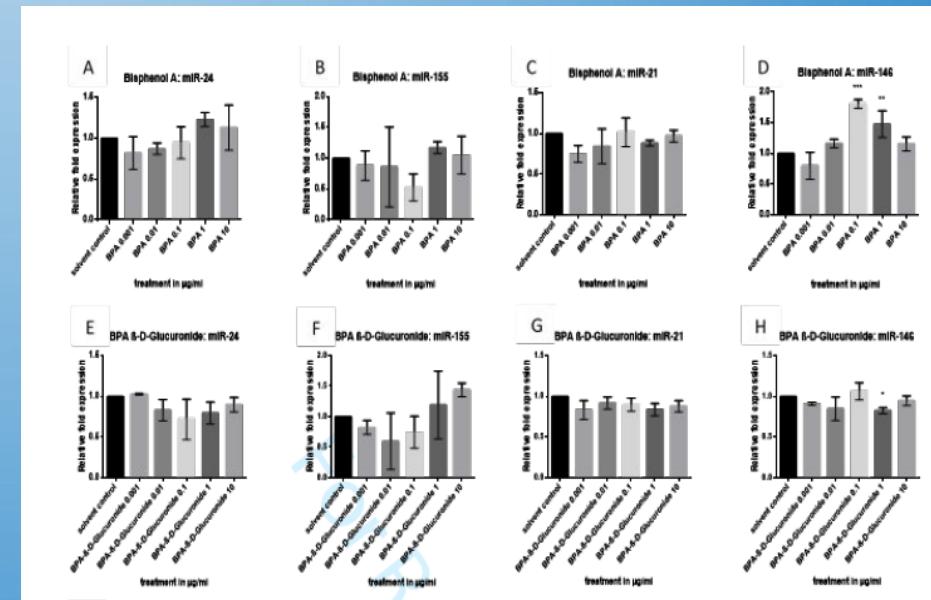
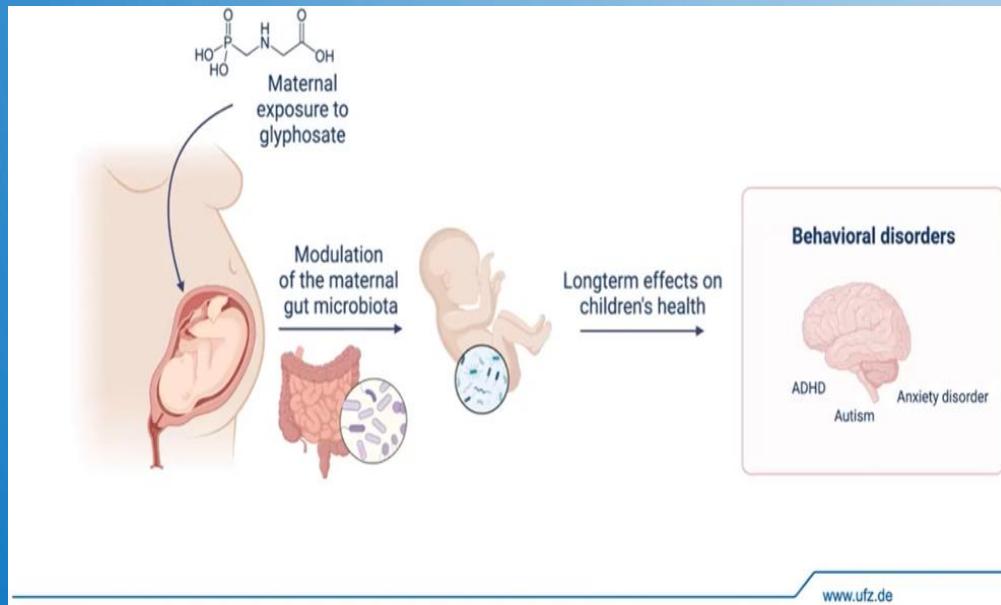
A Changing Gut Microbiome May Predict How Well You Age

People whose gut bacteria transformed over the decades tended to be healthier and live longer.

By Anat O'Connor  
March 18, 2021

The identified microbiome pattern of healthy ageing is characterized by a **depletion of core genera** found across most humans, primarily *Bacteroides*. Retaining a high *Bacteroides* dominance into older age, or having a low gut microbiome uniqueness measure, predicts decreased survival in a 4-year follow-up

# TOXINS: GLYPHOSATE, BISPHENOLS, MICROBIOTA AND EPIGENETICS



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ENVIRONMENTAL  
EPIGENETICS

Different bisphenols including the metabolite BPA glucuronide induce non-monotonous changes in miRNA expression and CpG methylation in HLF and Caco-2 cell lines, a pilot study

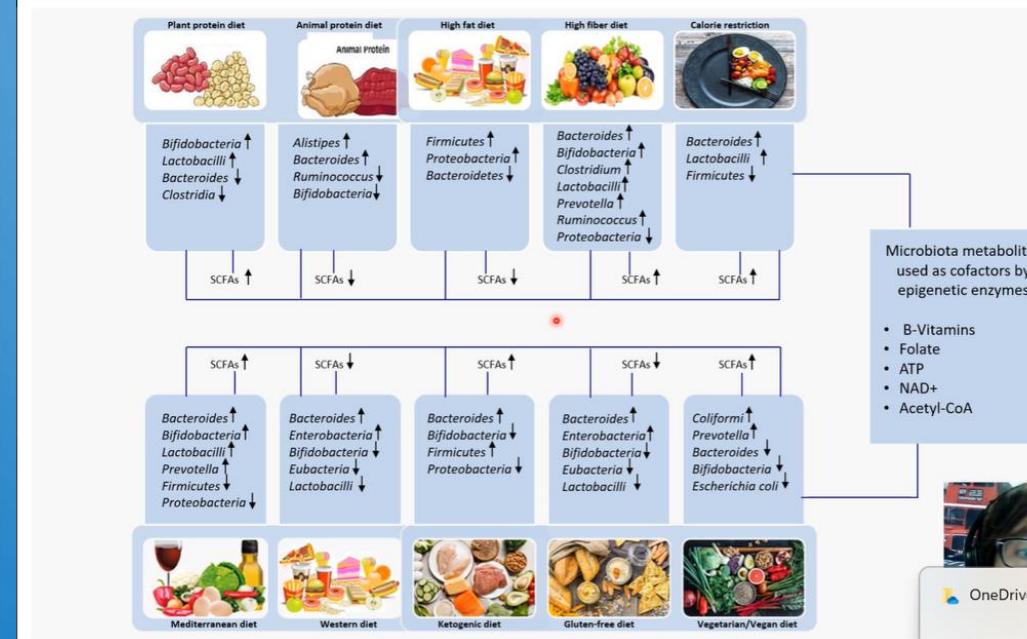
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# INTERACTIONS DIET MICROBIOTA AND EPIGENETICS, EXPERIENCE

Microbiota as Important Mediator Between Diet and DNA Methylation and Histone Modifications in Host

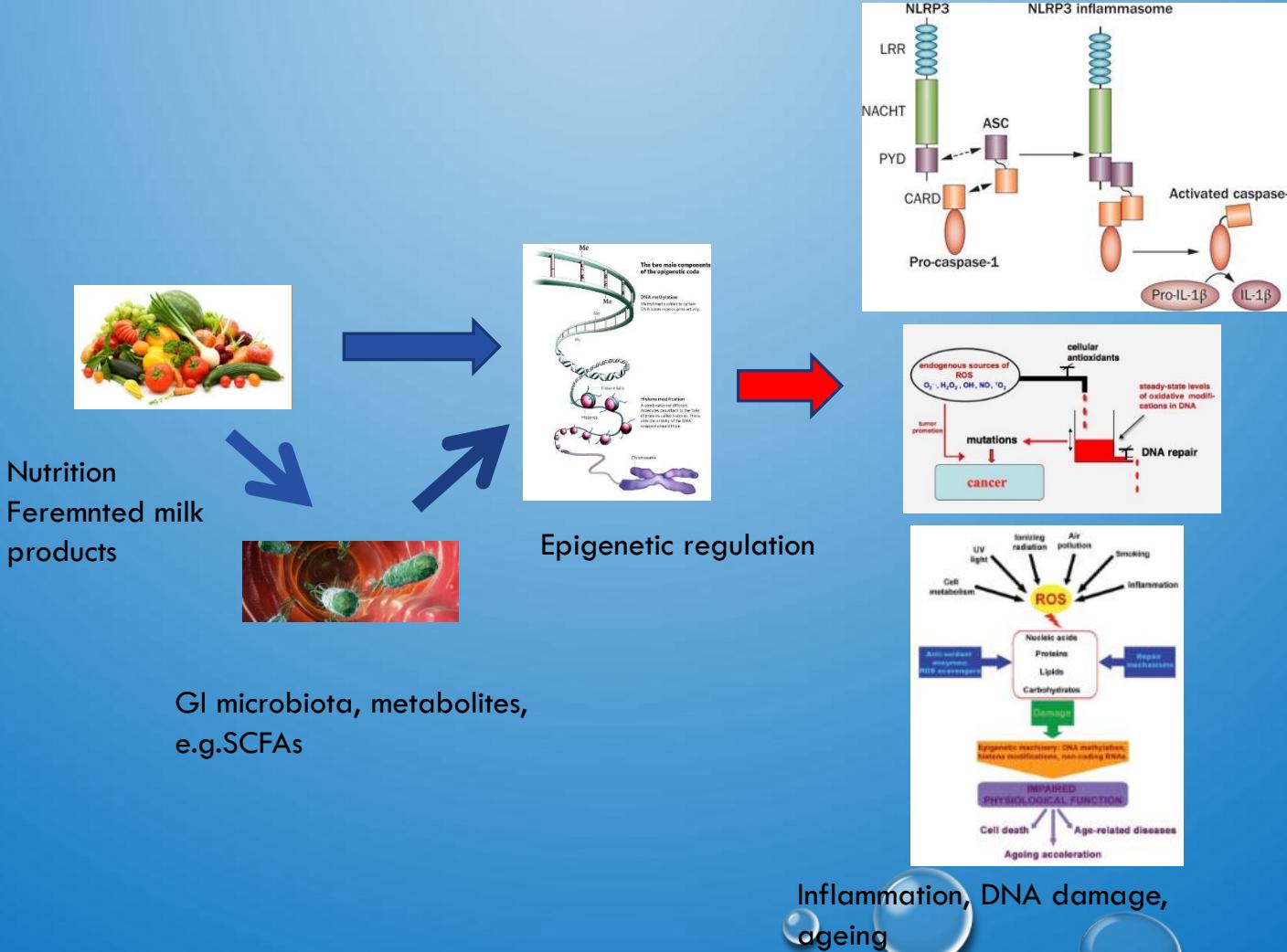


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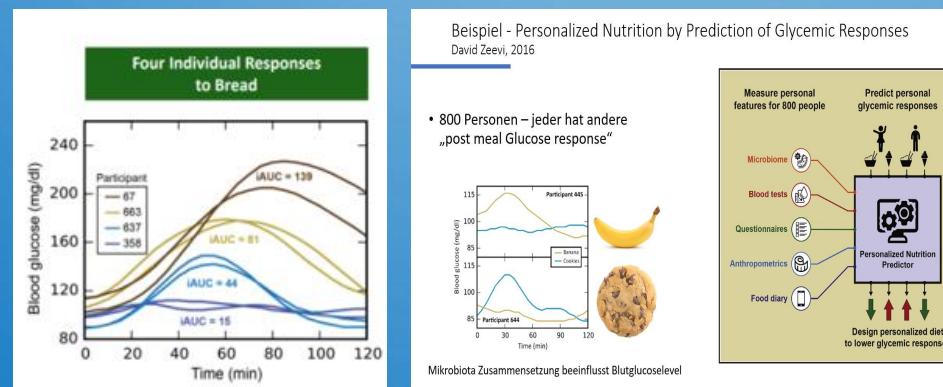
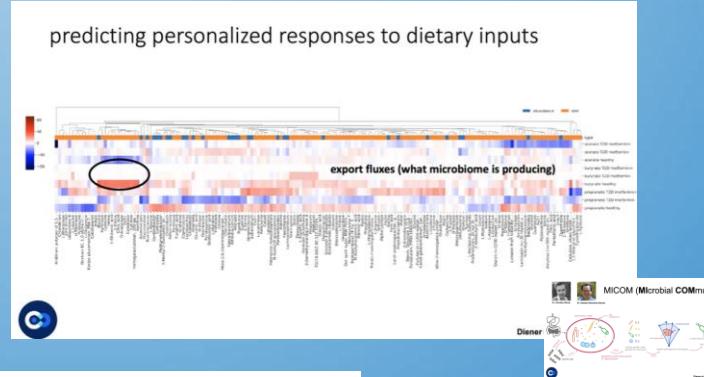
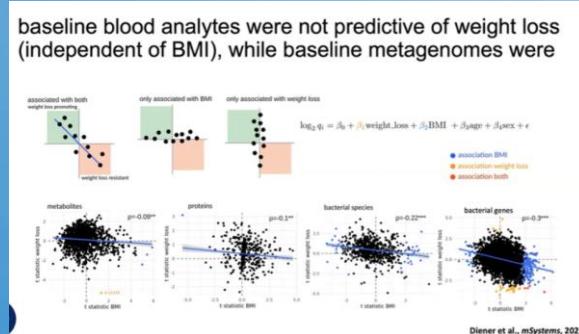
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Gut Microbiota Metabolites	Metabolite Producing Bacteria	Biological Functions of Microbiota	Metabolite-Induced Epigenetic Changes	Epigenetics-Associated Effects	Associated Diseases
Short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs): Acetate, propionate, butyrate, iso-butyrate, caproate, branched SCFAs (BcFA), isobutyrate, lactate, 2-methylpropionate, valerate, iso-valerate	Lactobacillus, Escherichia coli, <i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> , <i>Enterococcus faecium</i> , <i>Clostridium</i> (clusters IV and XIa)	Regulation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>fatty acid, glucose, and cholesterol metabolism</li> <li>microbial synthesis</li> <li>synthesis of AMPs</li> <li>daily turnover of the epithelial lining and stem cell proliferation</li> <li>gut integrity by Tls</li> <li>neutrophil functions</li> <li>regulation and function of Th1, Th17, and regulatory T (Treg) cells</li> <li>intestinal macrophage differentiation and development</li> <li>endothelial cells in the induction of tolerance</li> <li>Suppression of pro-inflammatory cytokine secretion</li> <li>Improvement in insulin sensitivity and weight control</li> <li>Energy source for colonocytes</li> </ul>	Inhibition of DNMT enzymes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreased DNA methylation</li> <li>Inhibition of MBD2</li> <li>Inhibition of HDACs</li> <li>Increased histone acetylation</li> </ul> Activation of HAT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased histone acetylation</li> </ul>	Upregulation of FOXO3, p53, defensin 2 and 3, CD320, RETN, Spi/Spi3, BAK1, CDKN1A, CDKN1B, CDKN2A, CDKN2B, IFNγ, FAS, NOS2, CD36, IL-4, IL-8, IL-10, IL-12, IL-13, IL-17, IL-23, TACI, LNC, SCD5, HDAC1, RBP2B, and SIRT1 genes	Inflammatory bowel disease, cardiovascular disease, ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, metabolic syndrome, colorectal cancer, type 2 diabetes, nephropathy, autism spectrum disorders
Polysaturated fatty acid (PUFA): Arachidonic acid, docosahexaenoic acid, eicosapentaenoic acids, conjugated linoleic acids, linoleic acid derivative	Bifidobacterium, <i>Roseburia</i> , <i>Lachnospirillales</i> , <i>Klebsiella</i> , <i>Enterobacter</i> , <i>Citrobacter</i> , <i>Clostridium</i>	Maintenance of intestinal barrier function <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regulation of intestinal IgA production</li> <li>Regulation in insulin sensitivity and function of the central nervous system</li> </ul>	Inhibition of DNMTs activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreased DNA methylation</li> <li>Decreased histone methylation and phosphorylation</li> <li>Increased SIRT1 deacetylation activity</li> </ul>	Downregulation of EZH2 and CDK2 genes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreased DNA methylation</li> <li>Upregulation of CDH1, PRKAA1, and ICGBP3 genes</li> </ul>	Chronic systemic inflammation, hyperinsulinemia, depression, cognitive anxiety

# CONCEPT: DIETS AFFECT EPIGENETIC REGULATION (ALSO) VIA GI-MICROBIOTA- METABOLITES ?



# MICROBIOTA PREDICT PERSONAL RESPONSES TO DIETS



Eran Elinav and Eran Segal,  
Weizmann Institute of monitoring the blood sugar, diets, and other traits of 800 people, using an algorithm that can accurately predict how a person's blood-sugar levels will spike after eating any given meal.  
They also used these personalized predictions to develop tailored dietary plans for keeping blood sugar in check.

# PROBIOTIC

- POSITIVE EFFECTS ON HEALTH ALREADY 100 YEARS AGO SUGGESTED BY NOBEL PRIZE WINNER ELIE METCHNIKOFF [METCHNIKOFF, 2004]
- DEFINITION: “LIVE MICROORGANISMS THAT, WHEN ADMINISTERED IN ADEQUATE AMOUNTS, CONFER A HEALTH BENEFIT ON THE HOST” [FAO/WHO, 2002]
- OVER 8000 RESEARCH ARTICLES PUBLISHED SINCE 2002 → SEVERAL PROBIOTIC PRODUCTS ON THE MARKET [HILL ET AL., 2014]
- CELL COMPONENTS OF PROBIOTICS ABLE TO INDUCE EFFECTS IN HOST [DOTAN AND RACHMILEWITZ, 2005] BUT REQUIREMENT FOR SURVIVABLE CELLS REMAINS A CRUCIAL FACTOR FOR EFFICACY [MA ET AL., 2004]

# ANTIMICROBIAL SUBSTANCES

- PROBIOTICS PRODUCE VARIOUS ANTIMICROBIAL ACTING SUBSTANCES
- EXAMPLES: LACTIC ACID, HYDROGEN PEROXIDE, MICROCINES, DECONJUGATED BILE ACIDS [OELSCHLAEGER, 2010], BACTERIOCINS [MAQUEDA ET AL., 2008]
- ANTIBIOTICS ALSO PRODUCED BY PROBIOTICS → REUTERIN:
  - BROAD-SPECTRUM ANTIBIOTIC
  - ACTIVE AGAINST YEAST, GRAM-POSITIVE AND GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIA, FUNGI, VIRUSES, PROTOZOA
  - PRODUCED BY STRAIN ATCC55730 FROM *L. REUTERI* [CLEUSIX ET AL., 2007]

# SPECIES

- LACTOBACILLI:
  - PRESENT IN GIT, ORAL CAVITY AND VAGINA OF HUMANS [WALTER, 2008]
  - WIDESPREAD USE IN PRODUCTION AND FERMENTATION OF FOODS → ABILITY TO CONVERT HEXOSE SUGARS TO LACTIC ACID → PRESERVATION [FIJAN, 2014]
  - EXCELLENT FOR USE AS PROBIOTICS: HIGH TOLERANCE TO ACID AND BILE, CAPABILITY TO ADHERE TO INTESTINAL SURFACES [TULUMOGLU ET AL., 2013]
- BIFIDOBACTERIA:
  - FIRST COLONIZERS OF THE HUMAN GUT TOGETHER WITH LACTOBACILLI [TURRONI ET AL., 2012]
  - WELL KNOWN FOR RESISTANCE AGAINST BILE SALTS [FIJAN, 2014]

# SPECIES

- BACILLUS SPECIES:
  - EITHER SPORE-FORMING AEROBIC OR FACULTATIVE AEROBIC, GRAM POSITIVE BACTERIA
  - *B. SUBTILIS*, *B. CEREUS*, *B. COAGULANS* ARE MEMBERS WITH PROBIOTIC CHARACTERISTICS [FIJAN, 2014]
- *ESCHERICHA COLI* NISSL 1917:
  - ABLE TO COLONIZE THE GUT AND COMPETE WITH RESIDENT AND PATHOGENIC BACTERIA THROUGH MULTIPLE FITNESS FACTORS [BEHNSSEN ET AL., 2013]
  - STIMULATION OF EPITHELIAL DEFENSIN PRODUCTION → RESTORATION OF DISTURBED GUT BARRIER
  - „SEALING EFFECT“ ON TIGHT JUNCTIONS OF ENTEROCYTES [SONNENBORN AND SCHULZE, 2009]

# PROBIOTIC : SPECIES : STRAIN SPECIFICITY

Produktdetails & Pflichtangaben

Zur diätetischen Behandlung von entzündlichen Darmschleimhäuten verursacht durch Stress

**Wirkstoffe & Hilfsstoffe**

Wirkstoffe

- Bakterienstämme
- Lactobacillus casei
- Lactobacillus acidophilus
- Lactobacillus paracasei
- Bifidobacterium lactis
- Lactobacillus salivarius
- Lactococcus lactis
- Lactobacillus plantarum
- Bifidobacterium bifidum

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Produkt	Preis	Rating
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OMNI-BIOTIC® 6	€ 74,50 <sup>2</sup>	★★★★★ (162)

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Beispiele stammspezifischer Wirkungen von Probiotika	
Abkürzungen: L: Lactobacillus; B: Bifidobacterium; Ssp: subspecies. Stammbezeichnung zwischen Klammern.	
L. acidophilus (LA1):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>wirkt bei der Milchzuckerverdauung mit.</li> <li>besitzt die Fähigkeit, wichtige Vitamine wie Folsäure, Vitamin B3 und B6 herzustellen, um sie dann dem Organismus zuzuführen.</li> </ul>
L. bulgaricus (LB2):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ist in der Lage, Milchzucker in Milchsäure umzusetzen.</li> <li>besitzt die Fähigkeit, den pH-Wert in einem günstigen Bereich zu halten, somit wird schädliches Bakterienwachstum eingedämmt.</li> </ul>
L. casei (LC03):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>spielt bei der Abwehr von Salmonellen oder ähnlichen schädlichen Bakterien eine sehr wichtige Rolle</li> <li>trägt dazu bei, gravierende Infektionen zu verhindern.</li> </ul>
L. salivarius (LS04):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>wirkt generell positiv auf den Zustand der Haut.</li> <li>stärkt die Mundschleimhaut und hilft, Zahnfleischbluten vorzubeugen bzw. zu verhindern.</li> </ul>
L. paracasei (101/37):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>wirkt bereits im Mund und beugt der Entstehung von Karies vor.</li> <li>verbessert die Immunabwehr gegen eine Vielzahl von Krankheitserregern.</li> </ul>
L. rhamnosus (LR1):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>sehr widerstandsfähig gegenüber Magensäure und Gallensaften im Dünndarm. Es schützt dadurch andere Milchsäurebakterien auf ihrem Weg durch den Dickdarm.</li> </ul>
L. plantarum (14D):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>wirkt bei der Verdauung von Milch mit und hat eine positive Wirkung auf den Cholesterinspiegel.</li> </ul>
B. longum ssp. infantis (Bi-26):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ist ein wichtiger Vitaminproduzent (Folsäure, Vitamin B1, Niacin, B6 und Biotin).</li> <li>kann Durchfall entgegenwirken, indem es die auslösenden Bakterien verdrängt.</li> </ul>
B. animalis ssp. lactis (Bi1):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>bildet sich an die Darmschleimhaut an und steuert dort die Durchlässigkeit.</li> <li>stimuliert die Immunabwehr.</li> </ul>
B. longum (BL21):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>hat eine hohe Bedeutung für die Immunabwehr und die Bildung von Vitaminen.</li> <li>unterstützt die Aufnahme von Calcium (Anzahl verringert sich im Alter).</li> </ul>
B. breve (Bbr8):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>verarbeitet viele schwerverdauliche Substanzen und verbessert somit die Darmtätigkeit.</li> <li>verringert sowohl das Auftreten von Durchfall, als auch von Verstopfung.</li> <li>verringert Allergien (Überreaktion von Immunzellen wird gehemmt – Anzahl verringert sich im Alter).</li> </ul>
B. bifidum (BB04):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>kann verschiedene Säuren produzieren und hat einen positiven Einfluss auf die Immunabwehr.</li> </ul>
Streptococcus thermophilus (Z57):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>lindert Antibiotika-assoziierten Durchfall.</li> </ul>

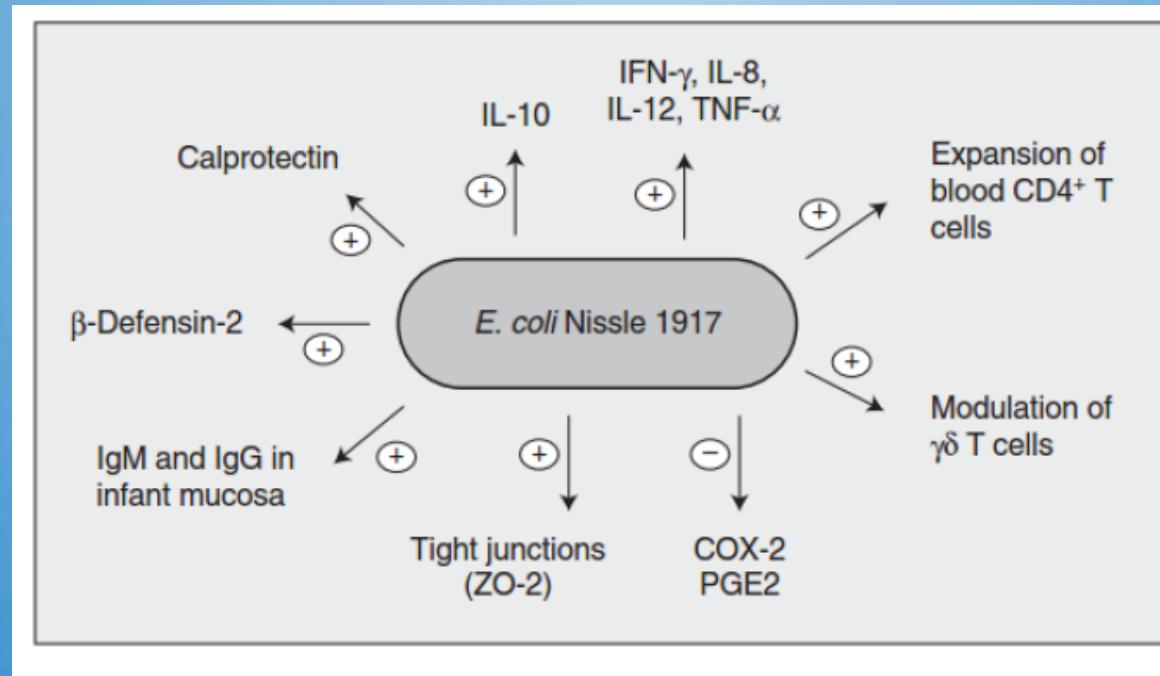
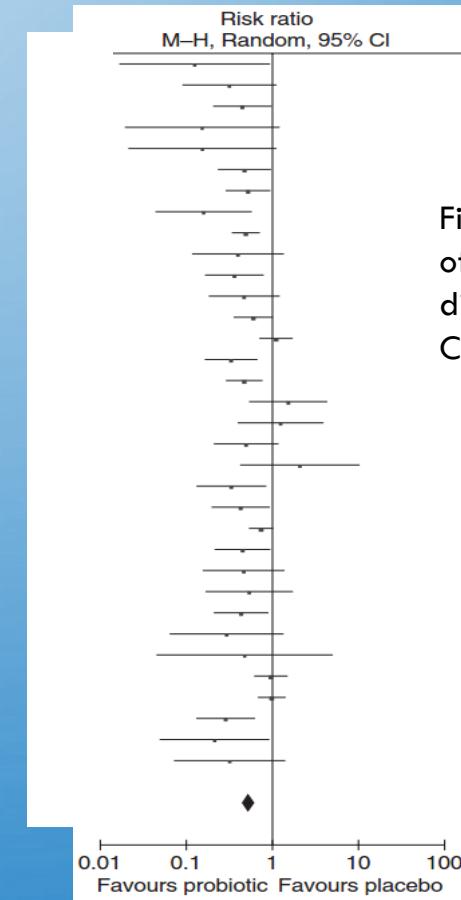
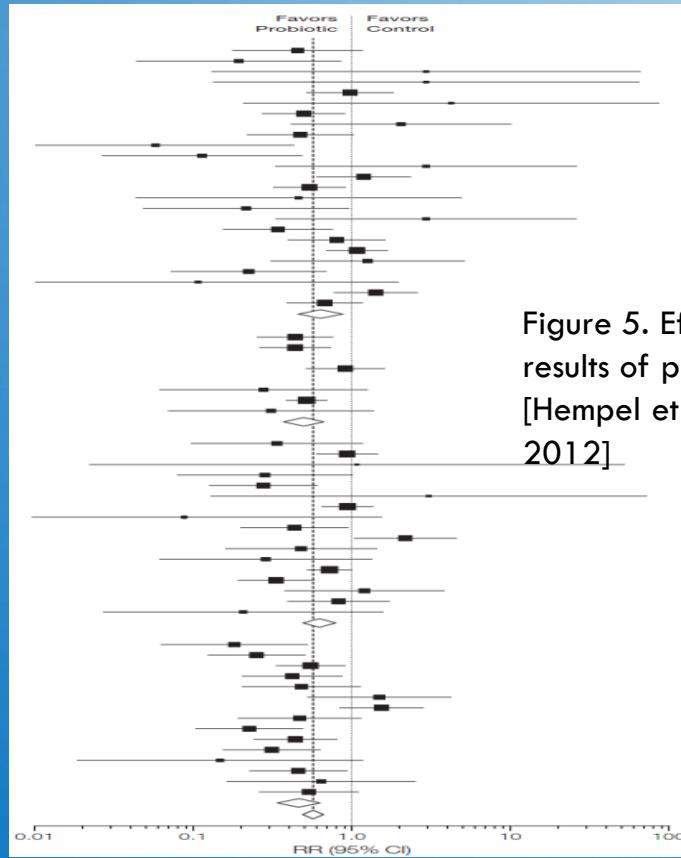


FIGURE 2. VARIOUS WAYS OF IMMUNE MODULATION BY *E. COLI* NISSEL 1917 (SUMMARY OF DATA FROM IN VITRO AND IN VIVO EXPERIMENTS) [BEHNSEN ET AL., 2013]

# TREATMENT OF ANTIBIOTIC ASSOCIATED DIARRHEA WITH PROBIOTICS - META-ANALYSES



# TREATMENT OF ACUTE DIARRHEA WITH PROBIOTICS – META-ANALYSES

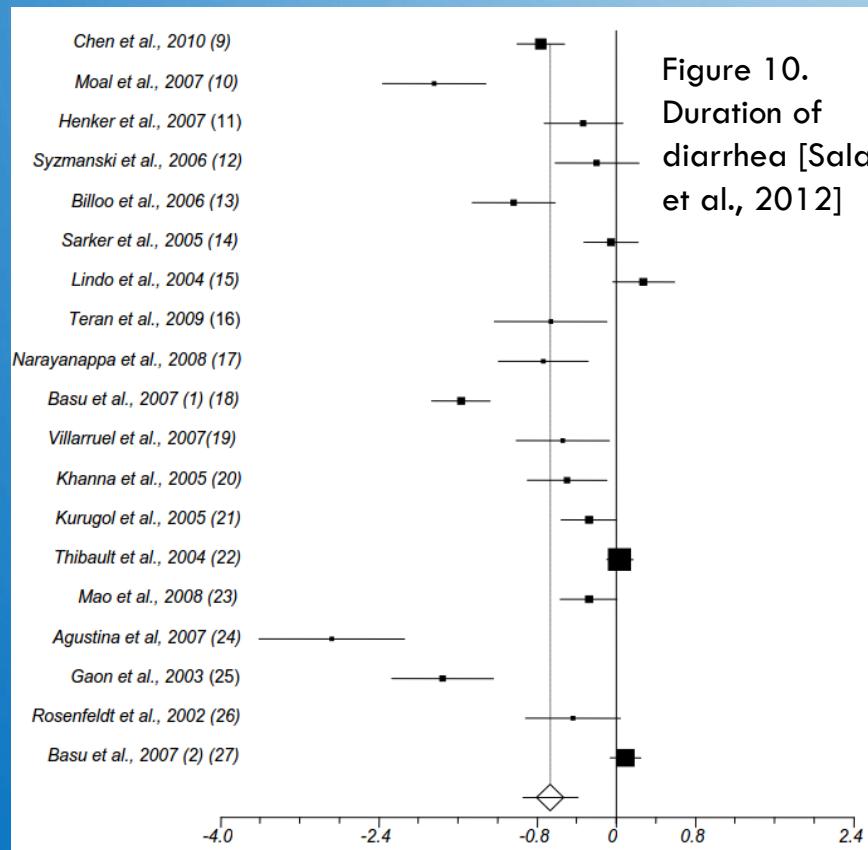


Figure 10.  
Duration of  
diarrhea [Sala  
et al., 2012]

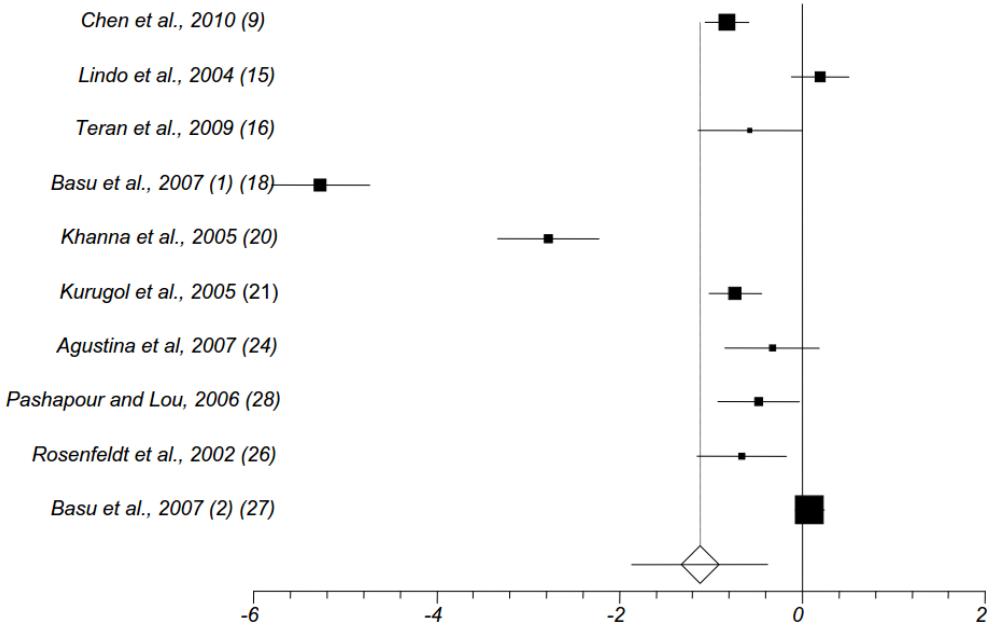


Figure 11. Duration of  
hospitalization [Salari et al.,  
2012]

# PROBIOTIC NEW WAYS

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## Supplementation with *Akkermansia muciniphila* in overweight and obese human volunteers: a proof-of-concept exploratory study

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## Probiotika: Sind tote Bakterien wirksamer als lebende?

Das Prinzip von Probiotika kennt jeder – egal ob als Joghurt oder Supplement: Dem Körper werden mit der Nahrung Bakterien zugeführt, die sich im Darm vermehren und gesundheitsförderlich sein sollen. Soweit die Theorie. Doch eine aktuelle Studie wirft Fragen auf.

## Commensal Obligate Anaerobic Bacteria and Health: Production, Storage, and Delivery Strategies

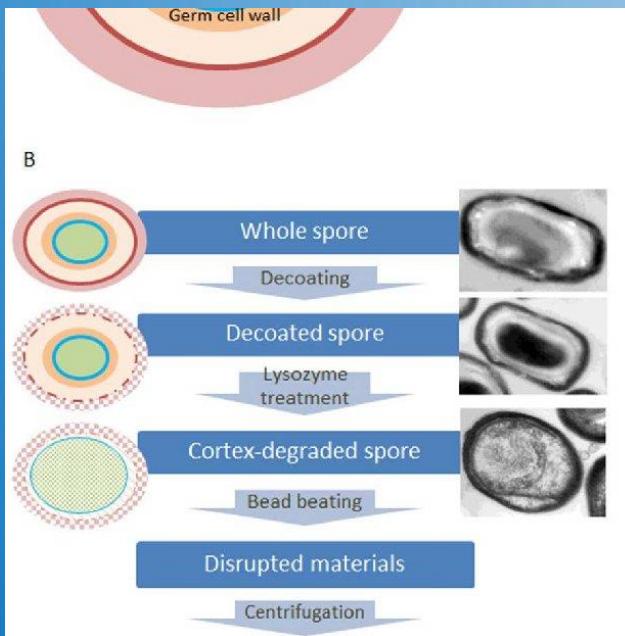
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In the last years several human commensals have emerged from the gut microbiota studies as potential probiotics or therapeutic agents. Strains of human gut inhabitants such as *Akkermansia*, *Bacteroides*, or *Faecalibacterium* have shown several interesting bioactivities and are thus currently being considered as food supplements or as live biotherapeutics, as is already the case with other human commensals such as *bifidobacteria*. The large-scale use of

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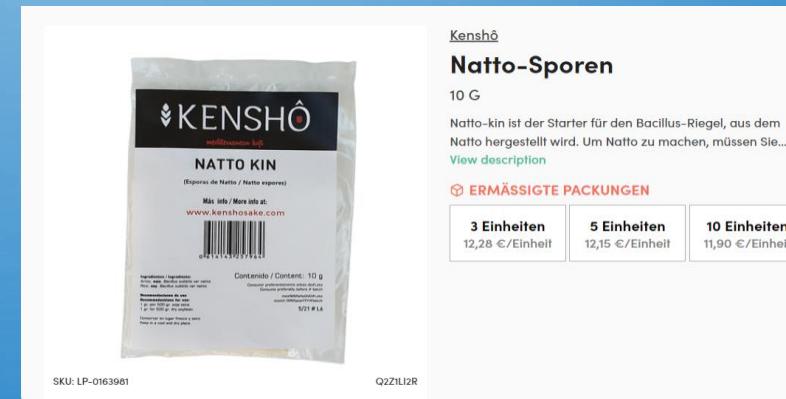
## The ingredient

According to Deerland, DE111 is a genome sequenced strain of *Bacillus subtilis*. The genome sequencing confirmed the strain contained no plasmids, antibiotic resistant or deleterious genes; the human clinical studies showed the strain's ability to control microbial populations, aid in digestion and maintain general health. Because the strain is a spore former it remains viable under a wide temperature and pH range, making it ideal for use in supplements as well as food and beverages.

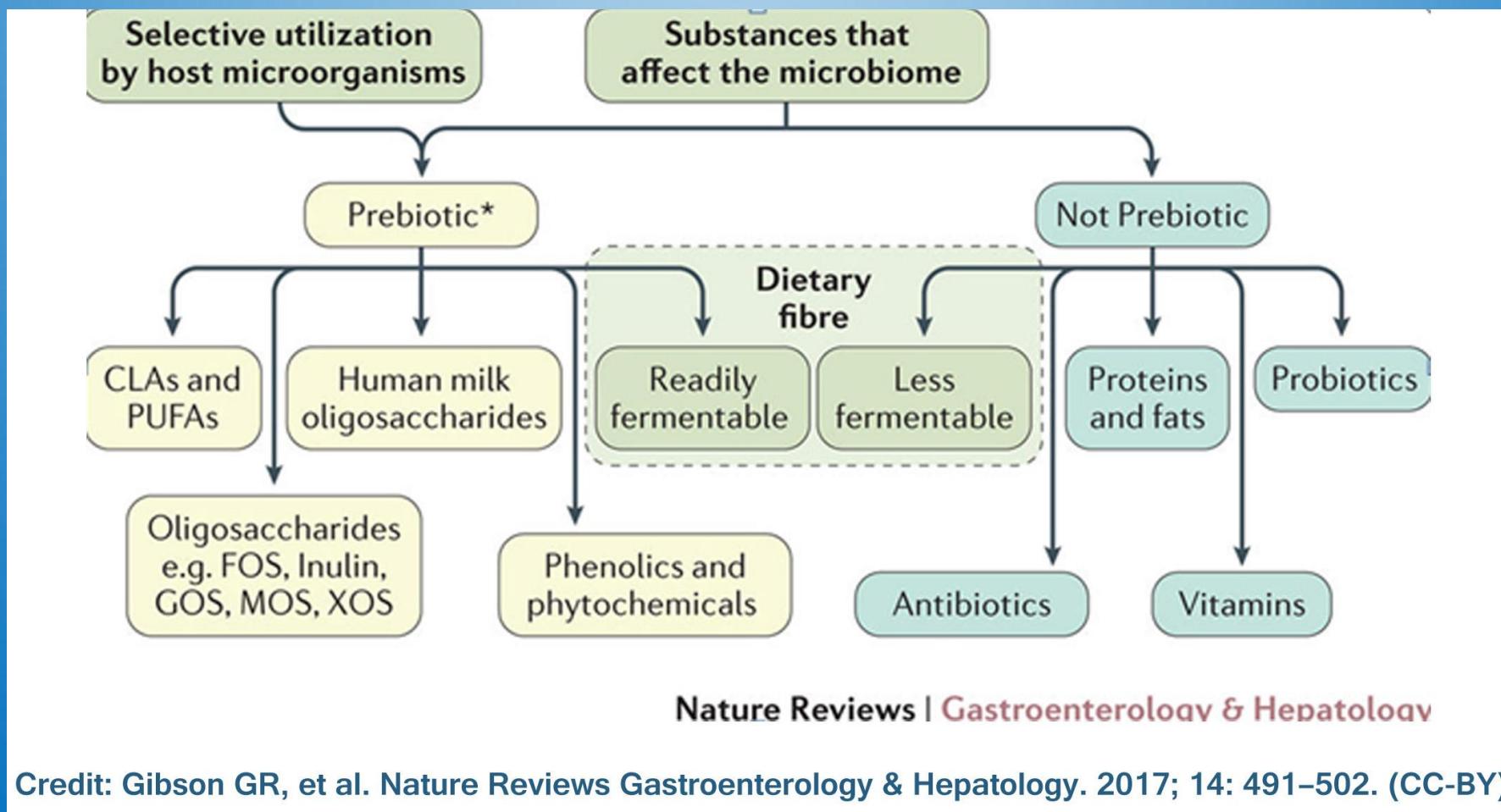
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"The Effect of *Bacillus subtilis* DE111 on the Daily Bowel Movement Profile for People with Occasional Gastrointestinal Irregularity"

Authors: A.M. Cuentas et al.

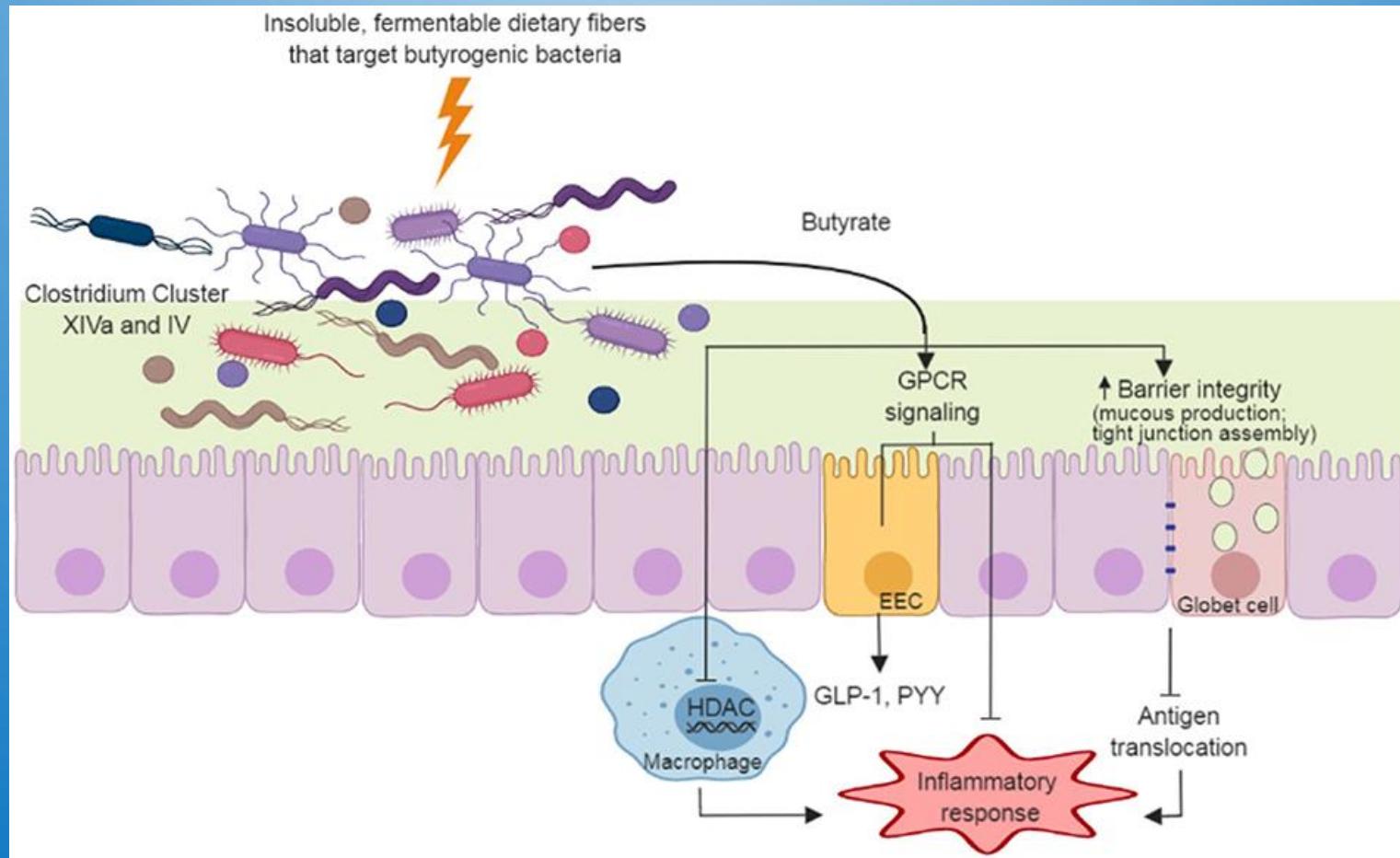


# PREBIOTICS WHAT IS IT?

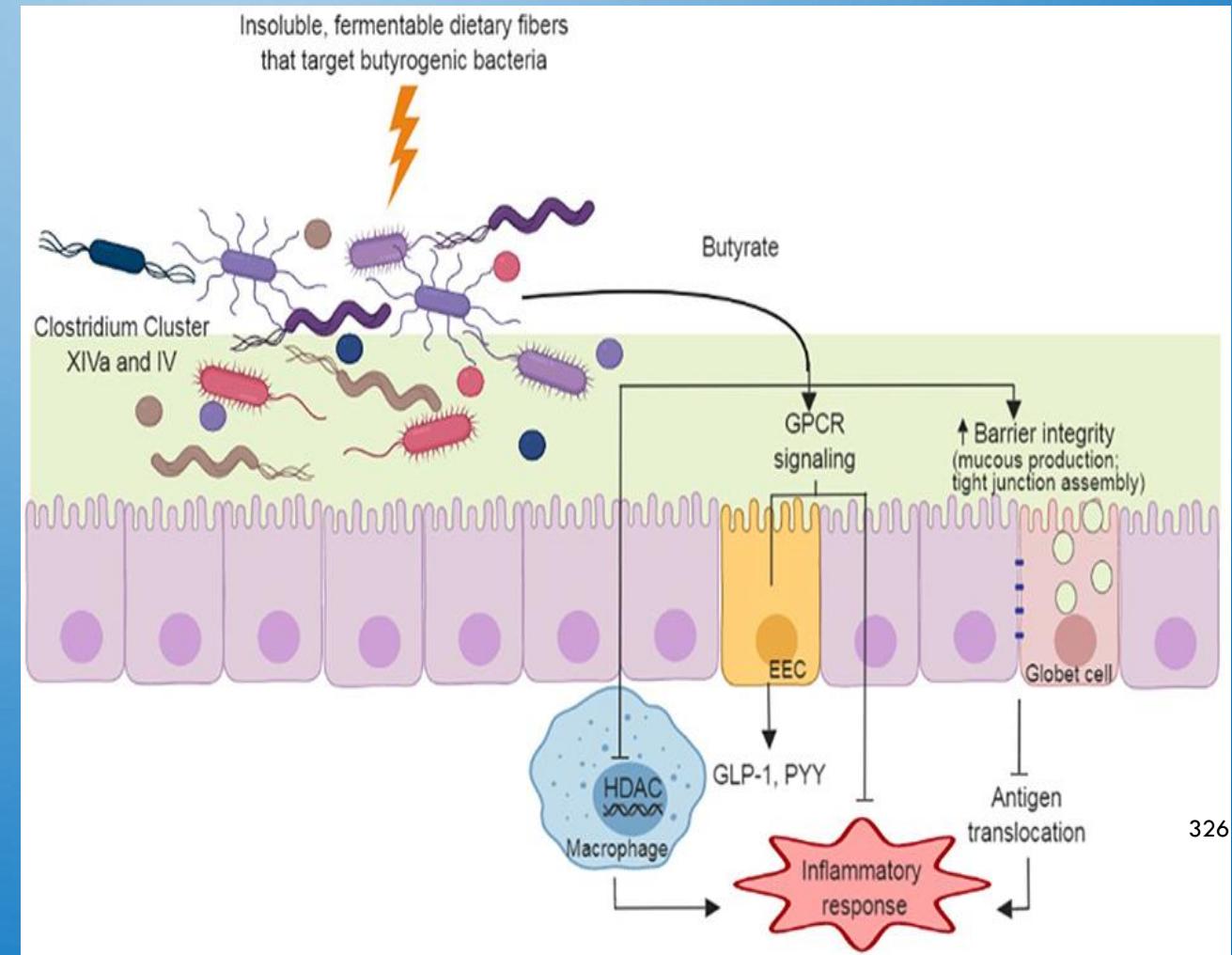
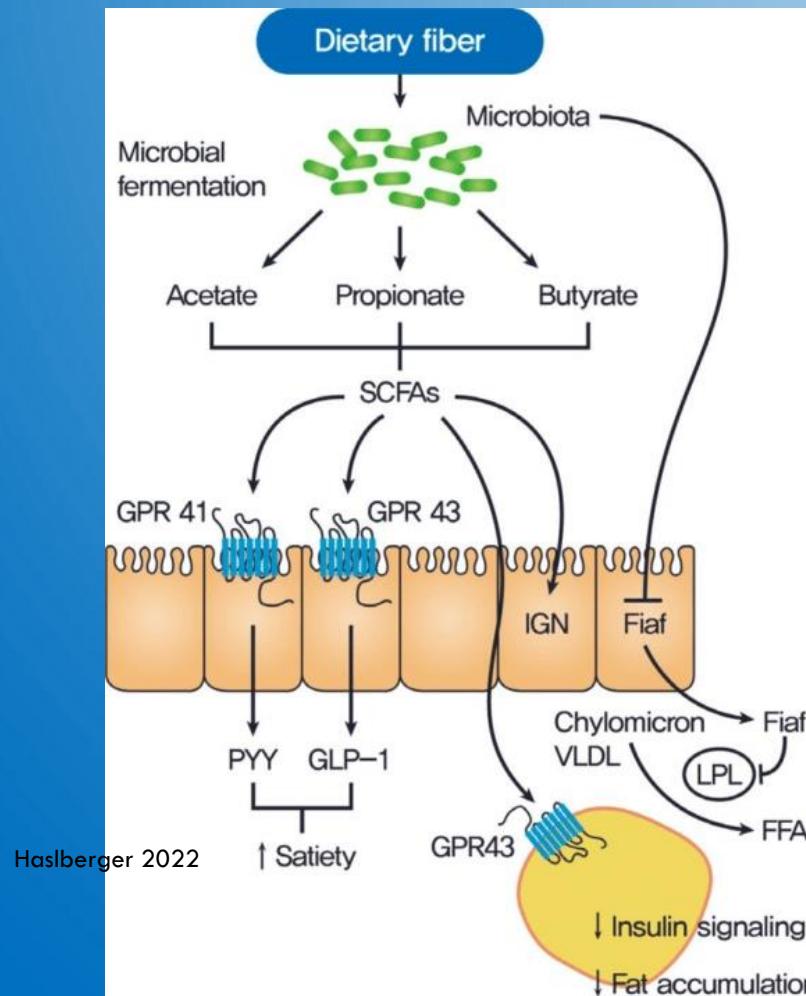


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# FIBERS AND SCFA



# FIBERS AND OBESITY, BUTYROGENIC



## Pharmacokinetic study of butyric acid administered in vivo as sodium and arginine butyrate salts

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(Received 10 April 1988; revision received 6 January 1989; accepted 18 January 1989)

**Key words:** Pharmacokinetics; Butyrate; Experimental animal; Man

### Summary

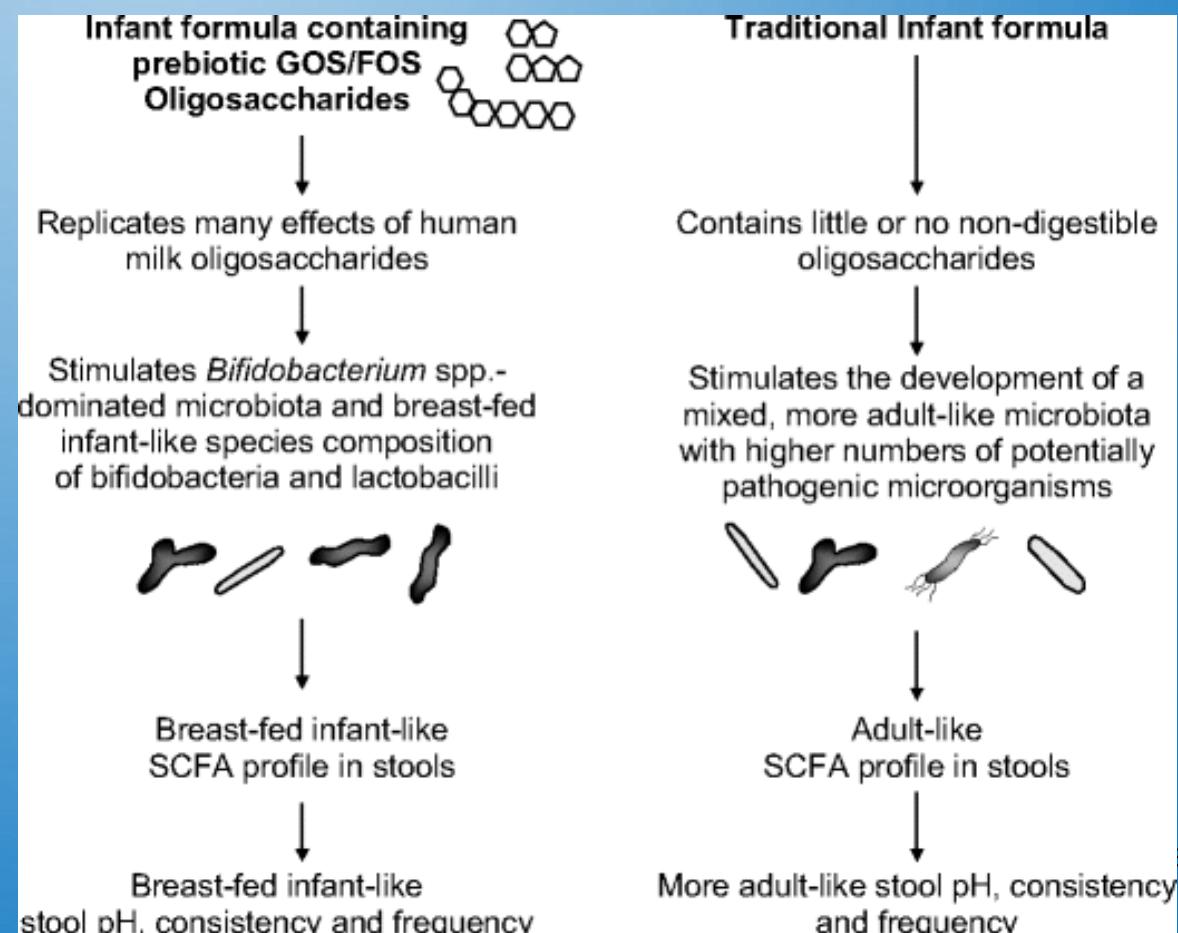
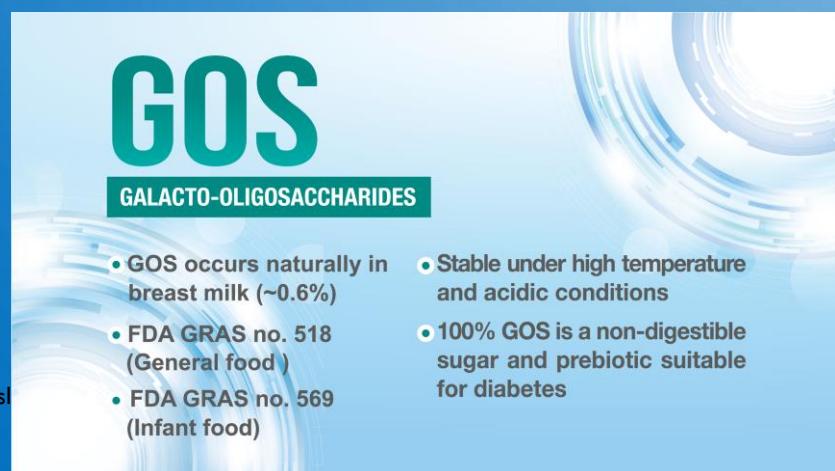
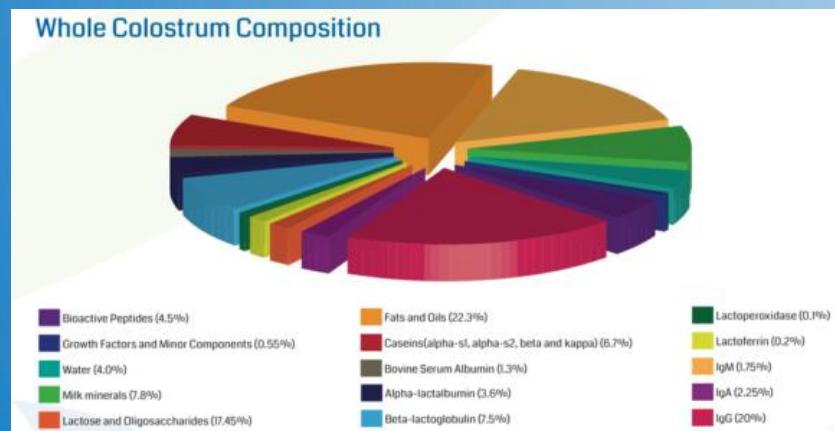
Considering that butyrate-treated malignant cells can recover in a transitory fashion a non-cancerous phenotype, the authors carried out a pharmacokinetics study of butyric acid injected as sodium or arginine salts for possible antitumor therapies.

In the case of  $1\text{-}^{14}\text{C}$ -labelled butyrate, the appearance of radioactivity in the blood of injected mice is rapid and some of it is maintained for relatively long periods in different organs, mainly the liver. However, no precision can be given about the structure of radioactive compounds in blood and tissues.

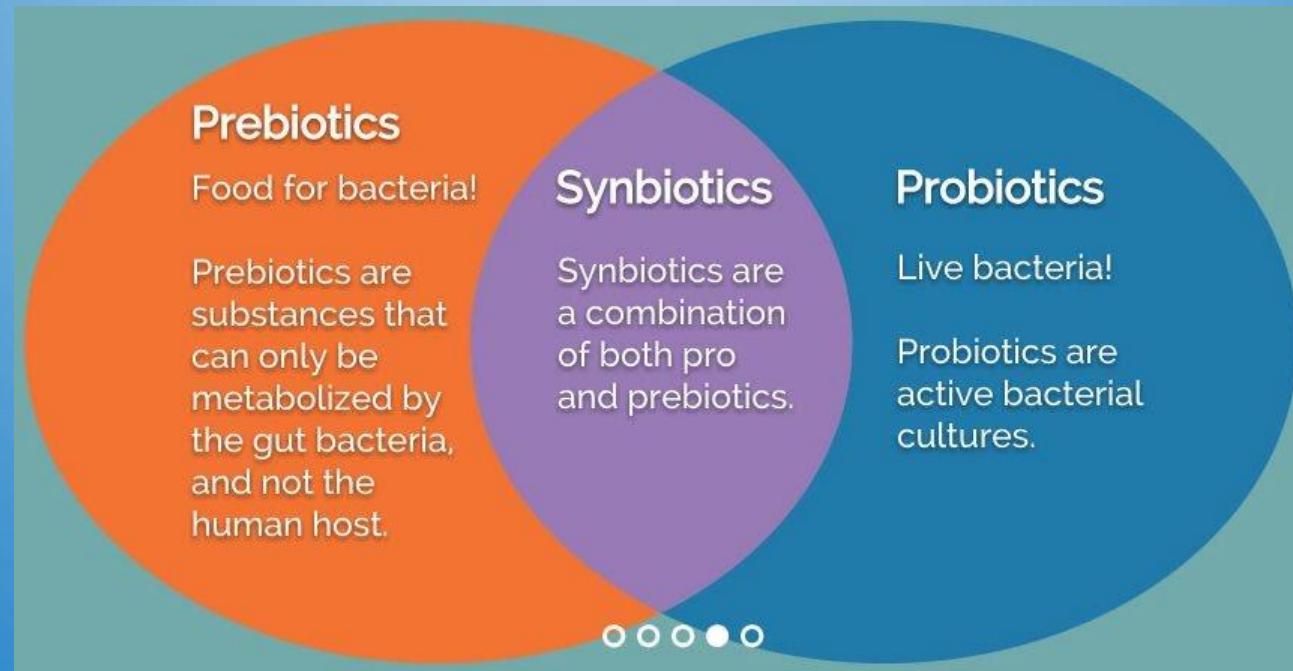
Using gas-liquid chromatography, the authors studied the metabolism of butyrate in both animals and man. In mice and rabbits, the half-life is  $< 5$  min. In man, the butyric acid elimination curve can be divided into two parts corresponding to two half-lives: for the first (0.5 min), the slope suggests an accelerated excretion, while for the following (13.7 min), a slow plateau is observed.

The rapid elimination of butyrate is a limiting factor for practical applications. However, the lack of toxicity supports its use in human therapy.

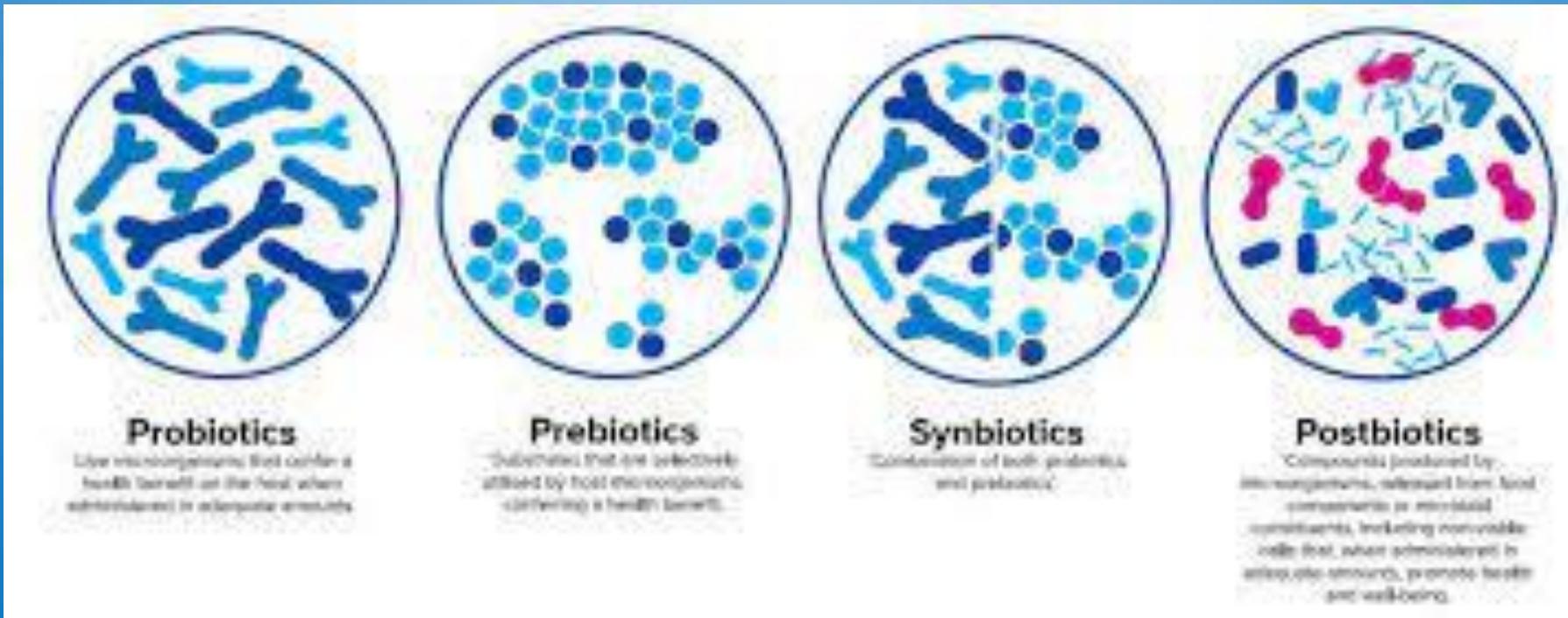
# FORUMLA DIETS, THE WAY TO MIMIC BREAST MILK



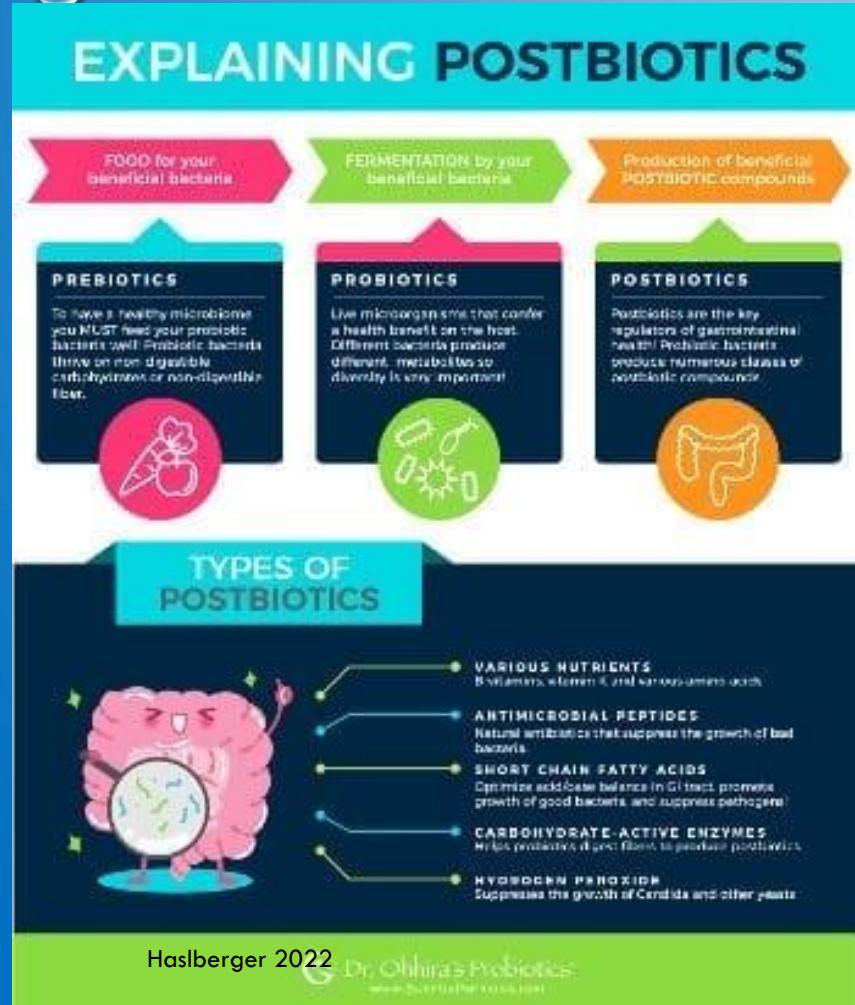
# SYNBIOTICS



# POSTBIOTICS



# POSTBIOTICS



- **Bacteriocins** (protective compounds that make life hard for the bad guys)\*
- **Enzymes** (help to digest food, get rid of toxins and assist other metabolic processes)\*
- **Vitamins** (like the B's and vitamin K)\*
- **Amino acids** (building blocks of protein)\*
- **Neurotransmitters** (carry messages between the nerves and brain and can even affect appetite)\*
- **Immune-signaling compounds** (they support the body's immune cells)\*
- **Short-chain fatty acids** (created from fiber, they keep the intestinal lining strong and healthy)\*
- **Nitric oxide** (crucial for cardiovascular health)\*
- **Organic acids** (such as Fulvic and Humic acid. They combine with minerals, making them easier to absorb and help maintain the correct pH in the GI tract)\*

# AGING, AGEOTYPES AND PREVENTION

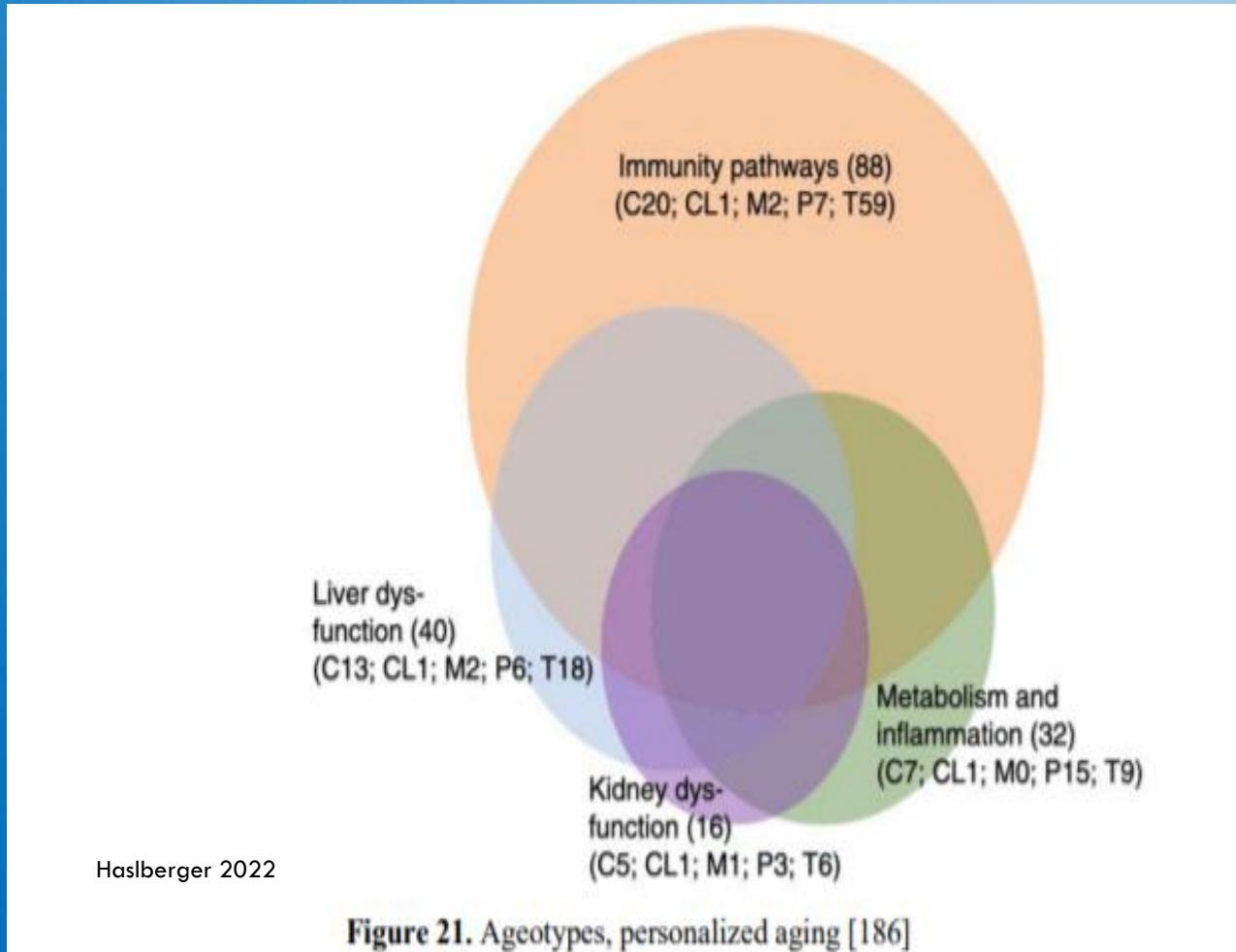


Figure 21. Ageotypes, personalized aging [186]

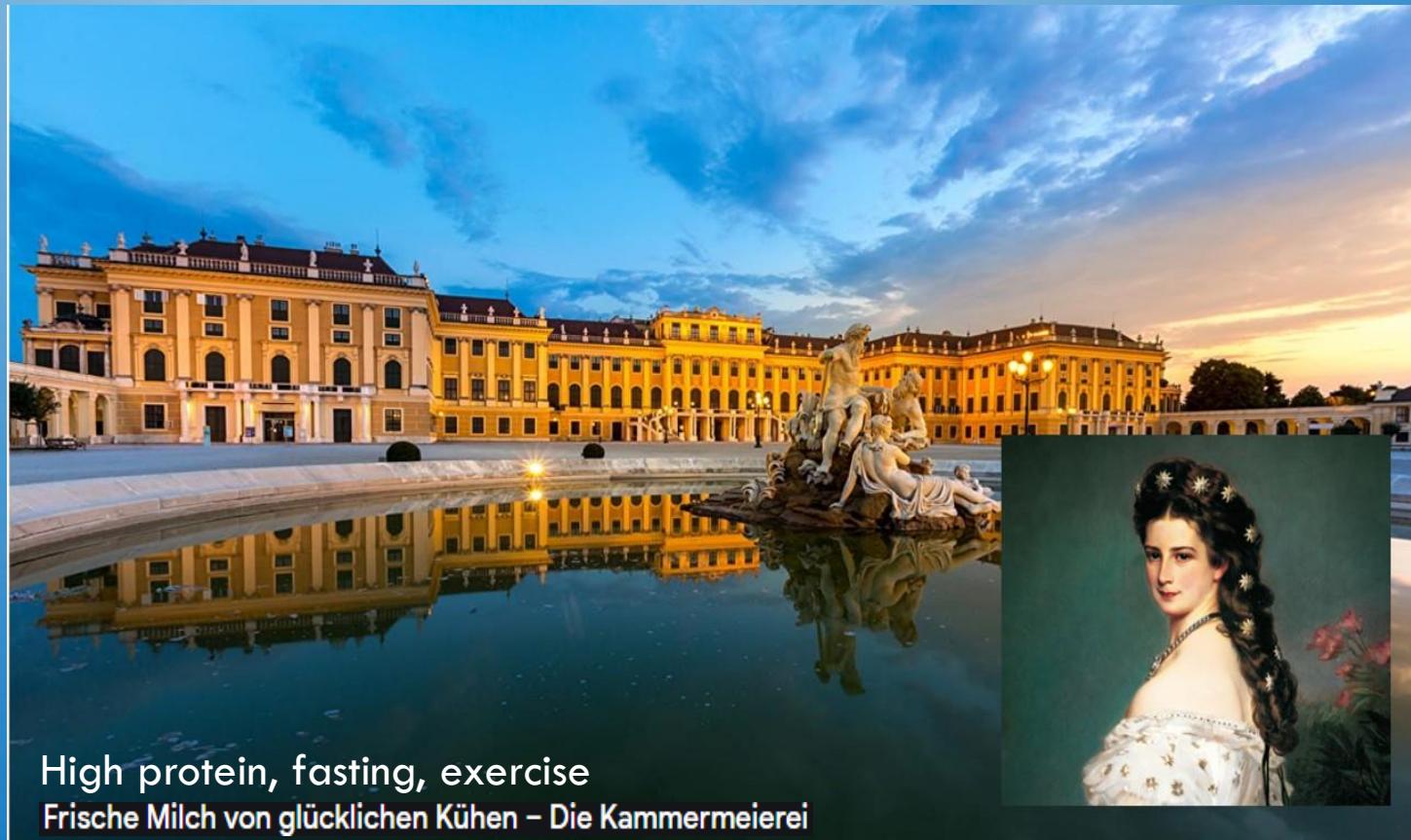




# Special diets

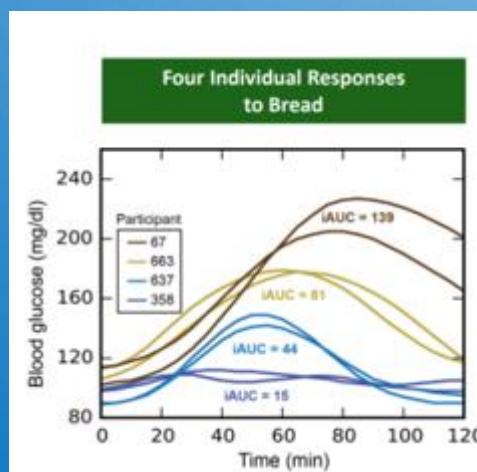
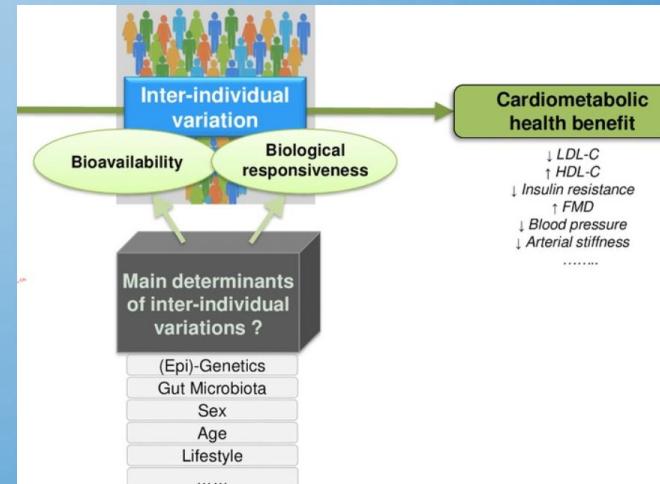
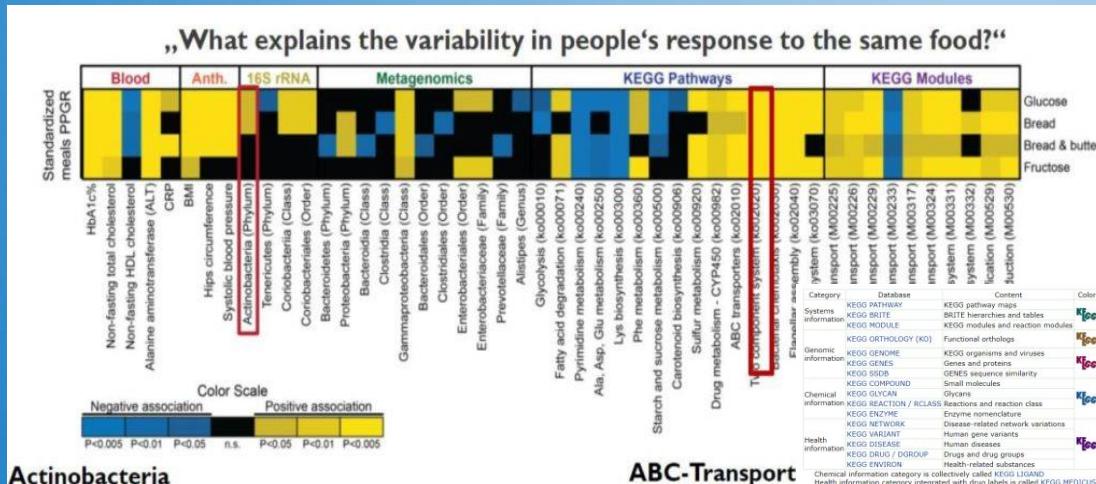


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## SCIENCE: HIGHLY DIFFERENT PERSONAL RESPONSES TO DIETS, EG POST- PRANDIAL GLYCEMIC RESPONSES, EXPLANATIONS ?



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Different people have different, opposite responses to standardized meal, bread, Zeevi et al., 2015, Cell

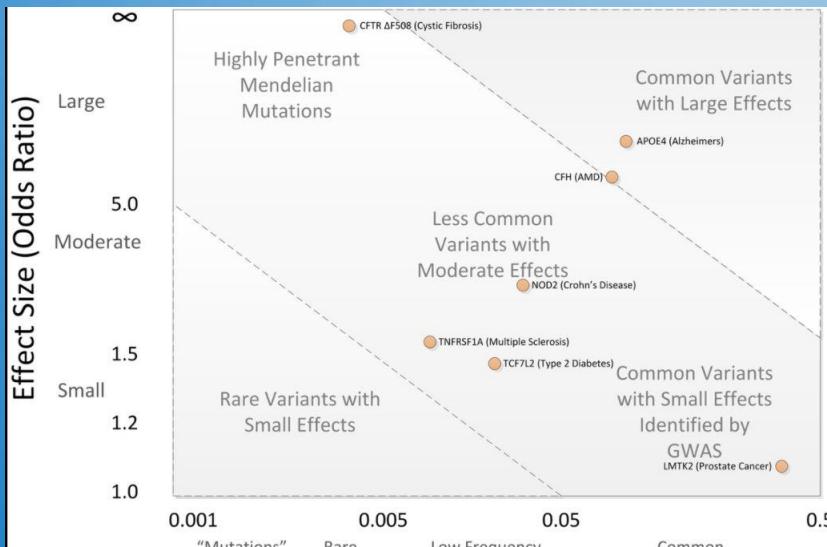
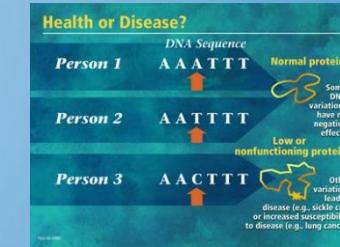
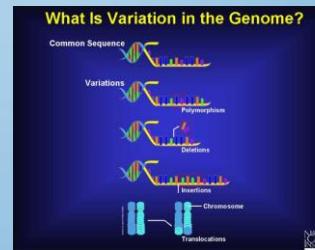
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**REVIEW**

**Addressing the inter-individual variation in response to consumption of plant food bioactives: Towards a better understanding of their role in healthy aging and cardiometabolic risk reduction**

Claudine Manach,<sup>1</sup> Dragan Milenković,<sup>2</sup> Ana Rodriguez-Mateos,<sup>3</sup> Basak de Rijke,<sup>4</sup> María Teresa García-Conesa,<sup>5</sup> Rikard Landberg,<sup>6</sup> Agneta R. Gibney,<sup>7</sup> and Michael J. Gibney<sup>8</sup>

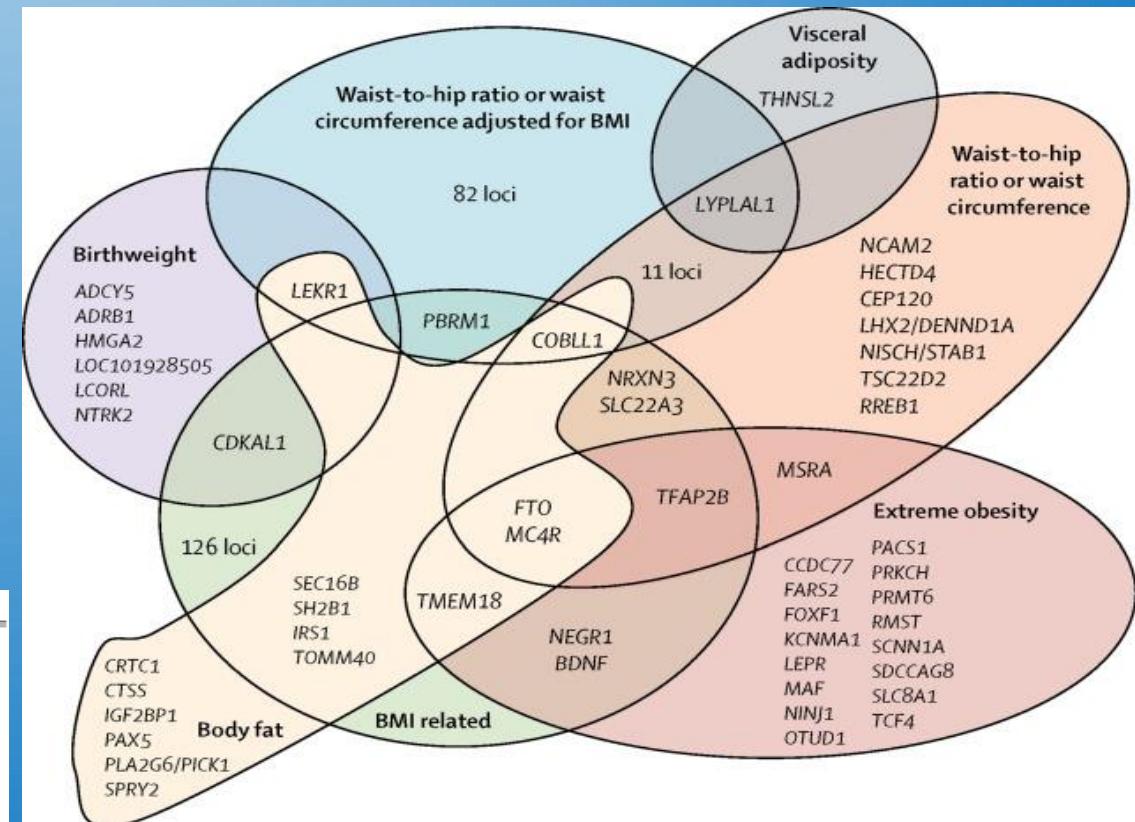
## GWAS : SNPS, COMMON VARIANTS HAVE OFTEN ONLY MODERATE EFFECTS; IN DIFFERENT METABOLIC AREAS



## Prediction of individual genetic risk to disease from genome-wide association studies

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# DESPITE LOW PENETRANCE OF SNPs, D-T-C GENETIC TESTING FOR NUTRITIONAL ADVICE



7076 open genomes  
5784 OpenSNP, 1292 PGP

## 1. Format check

- Accepts ASCII, gzip, bz2
- Parse 23andMe-like formats
- Parse VCF format

## 2. File sanity check

- Identify assembly
- Check against reference genome
- Reverse-strand
- Distinguish genotyping from NGS data

## 3. SNP sanity check

- Array cluster identification
- Genotyping SNP sanity check

95% (6720)  
23andMe-like

1.5% (108)  
VCF-format

3.5% (248)  
228 Invalid  
- PDF, word etc. (119)  
- Not genetic data (109)  
20 Failed to parse

Passed genotyping data 6425

GRCh37	5812
GRCh36	604
GRCh38	9
<b>Imputation</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Failed</b>	<b>59</b>
Assembly problem	3
Failed by similarity to reference	34
Failed by reverse strand	22
<b>Incomplete</b>	<b>219</b>
<b>VCF genotyping</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>VCF NGS</b>	<b>44</b>

91.6% (6477) genotyping data

Cluster ID	Percentage
c1, 23andMe	35%
c3, ancestryDNA-v1	13%
c4, 23andMe, 1M	27%
c5, ancestryDNA-v2	9%
v5, Illumina-GSA	15%
Un-clustered	<1% (56)

0.6% (44) NGS
0.2% (17) Imputation
3.1% (219) Incomplete
4.3% (307) Excluded

For diseases controlled by 1000 loci of mean relative risk of only 1.04, a case-control study with 10,000 cases and controls can lead to selection of ~75 loci that explain >50% of the genetic variance. The 5% of people with the highest predicted risk are three to seven times more likely to suffer the disease than the population average, depending on heritability and disease prevalence. Whether an individual with known genetic risk develops the disease depends on known and unknown environmental factors.

But:

FTO+MC4R : 1.7 %  
increase in fat mass

*J Mol Med (Berl). 2009 May;87(5):357-64. doi: 10.1007/s00109-009-0451-8. Epub 2009 Mar 3.*

**Combined effects of MC4R and FTO common genetic variants on obesity in European general populations.**

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**Abstract**  
Genome-wide association scans recently identified common polymorphisms, in intron 1 of FTO and 169 kb downstream MC4R, that modulate body mass index (BMI) and associate with increased risk of obesity. Although their individual contribution to obesity phenotype is modest, their combined effects and their interactions with environmental factors remained to be evaluated in large general populations from birth to adulthood. In the present study, we analyzed independent and joint effects of the variants rs1421666 (intron 1 of FTO) and rs17752313 (intron 1 of MC4R) on obesity in European general populations. The combined effects of the variants were significant in a 12-country study (n = 12,200) as they were in a meta-analysis of physical activity levels and gender in 16 European prospective population-based cohorts of 4,762 Finnish adolescents (FINBC 1996) and 3,167 French adults (DE-SI.R.). Compared to participants carrying neither FTO nor MC4R risk allele (20.4% of the populations), subjects with three or four risk alleles (7.1% of the populations) had a 3-fold increased susceptibility of developing obesity during childhood. In adults, their combined effects were significant in a 12-country study (n = 12,200) as they were in a meta-analysis with a 12-country study (n = 2,001). Prospectively, we demonstrated that each FTO and MC4R risk allele increased obesity and T2D incidences by 24% ( $P = 0.02$ ) and 21% ( $P = 0.02$ ), respectively. However, the effect of T2D disappeared after adjustment for BMI. The Z-BMI and ponderal index of newborns homozygous for the risk allele were 0.6% ( $P = 0.02$ ) and 0.7% ( $P = 0.01$ ) higher, respectively, than in those homozygous for the non-risk allele. The Z-BMI effect was more pronounced in obese mothers and fathers, respectively, than in non-obese mothers ( $P = 0.008$ ) and P = 0.03, respectively) and low physical activity accentuated the effect of the FTO polymorphism on BMI increase and obesity prevalence ( $P = 0.008$  and  $P = 0.01$ , respectively). In European general populations, the combined effects of common polymorphisms in FTO and MC4R are therefore additive, predictive of obesity and T2D, and may be influenced by interactions with physical activity levels and gender, respectively.

*Science. 2007 May 11;316(5826):889-94. Epub 2007 Apr 12.*

**A common variant in the FTO gene is associated with body mass index and predisposes to childhood and adult obesity.**

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Obesity is a serious international health problem that increases the risk of several common diseases. The genetic factors predisposing to obesity are poorly understood. A genome-wide search for 2 diabetes-susceptibility genes identified a common variant in the FTO gene and mass and obesity associated gene that predisposes to diabetes through an effect on body mass index (BMI). An additive association of the variant with BMI was replicated in 13 cohorts with 38,728 participants. The 16% of adults who are homozygous for the risk allele weighed about 3 kilograms more and had 1.67-fold increased odds of obesity when compared with those not inheriting a risk allele. This association was observed from age 7 years upward and reflects a specific increase in fat mass.

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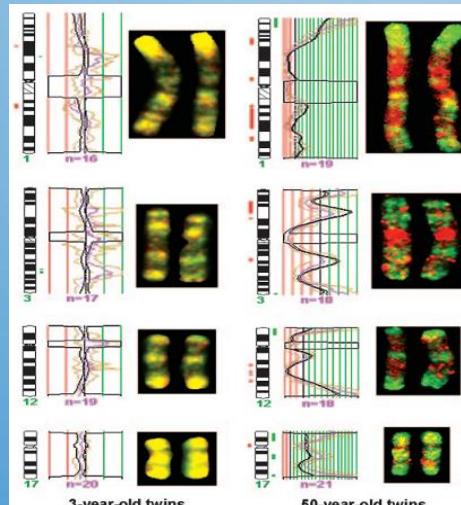
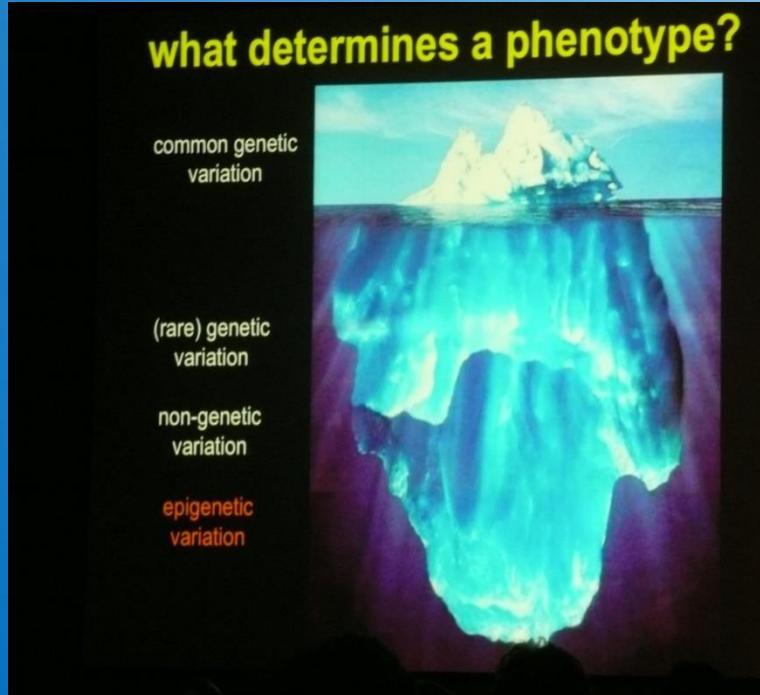
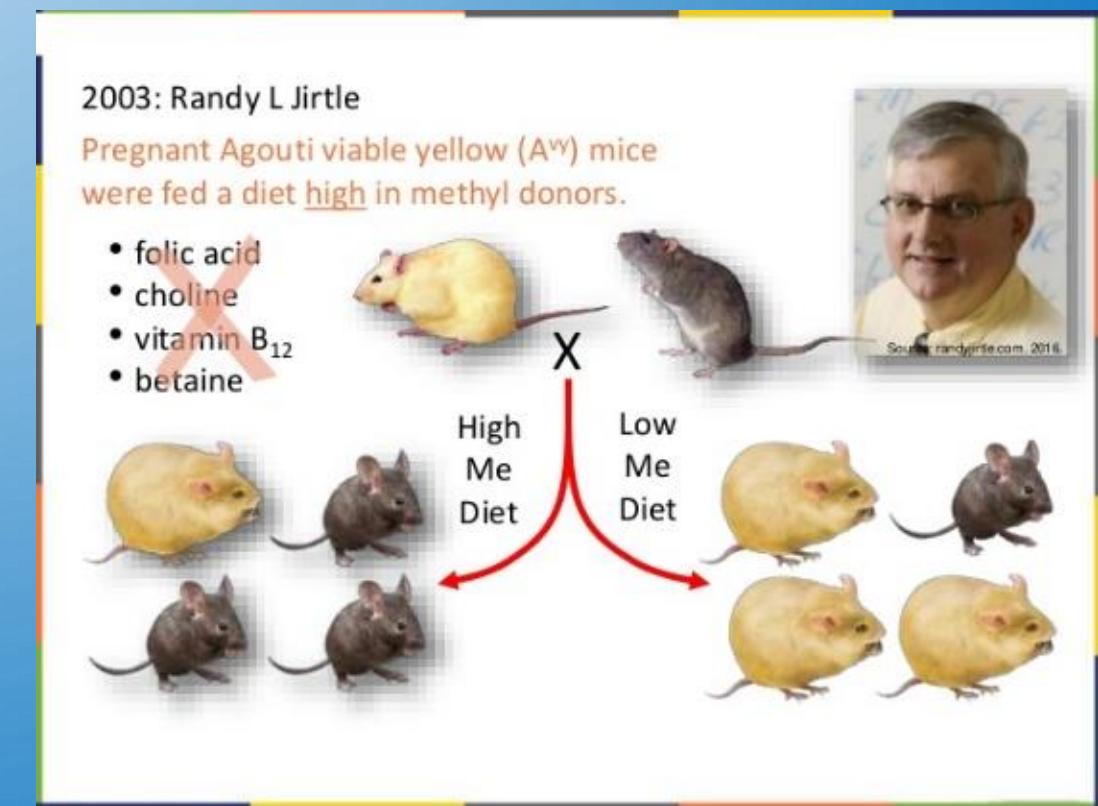


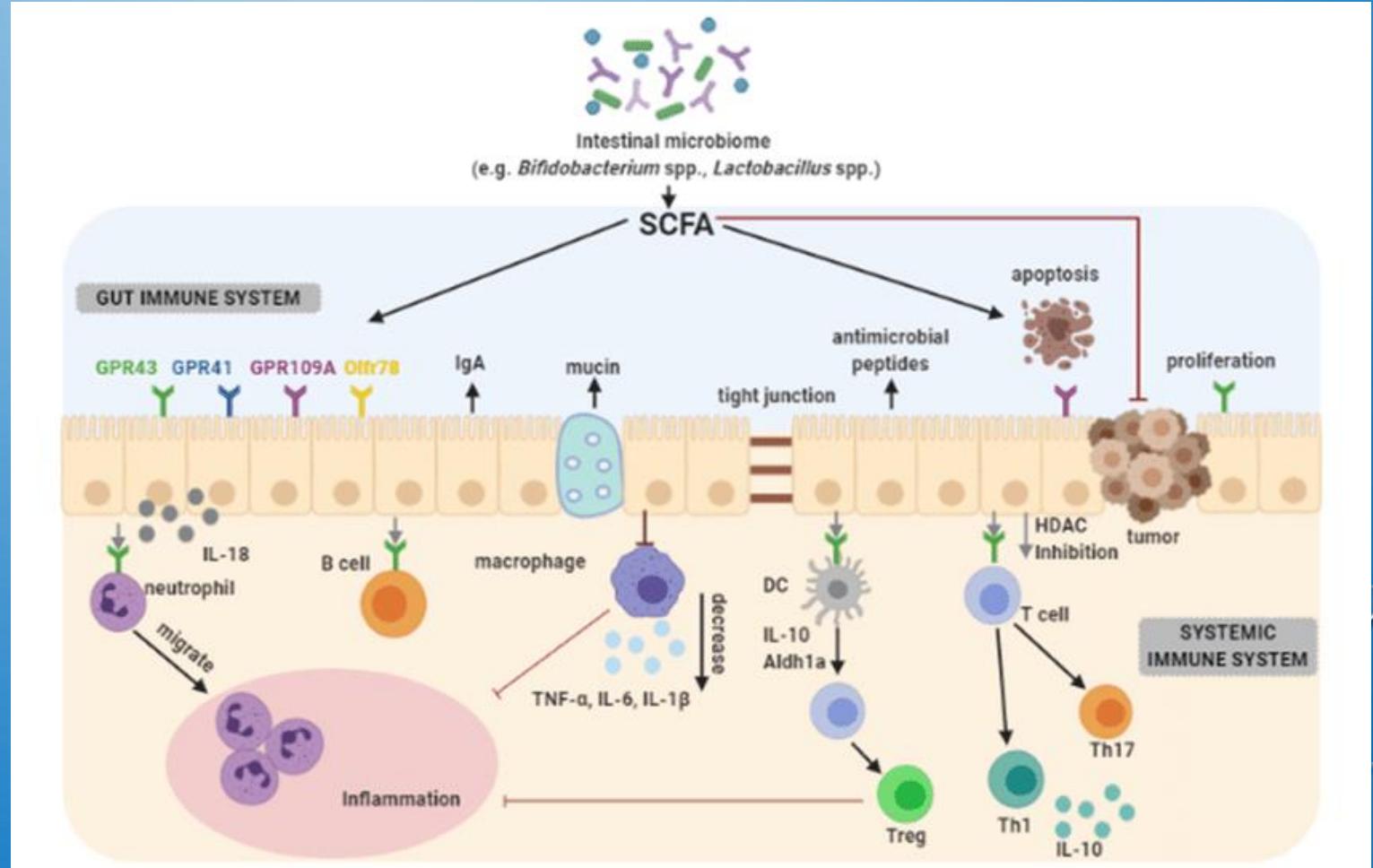
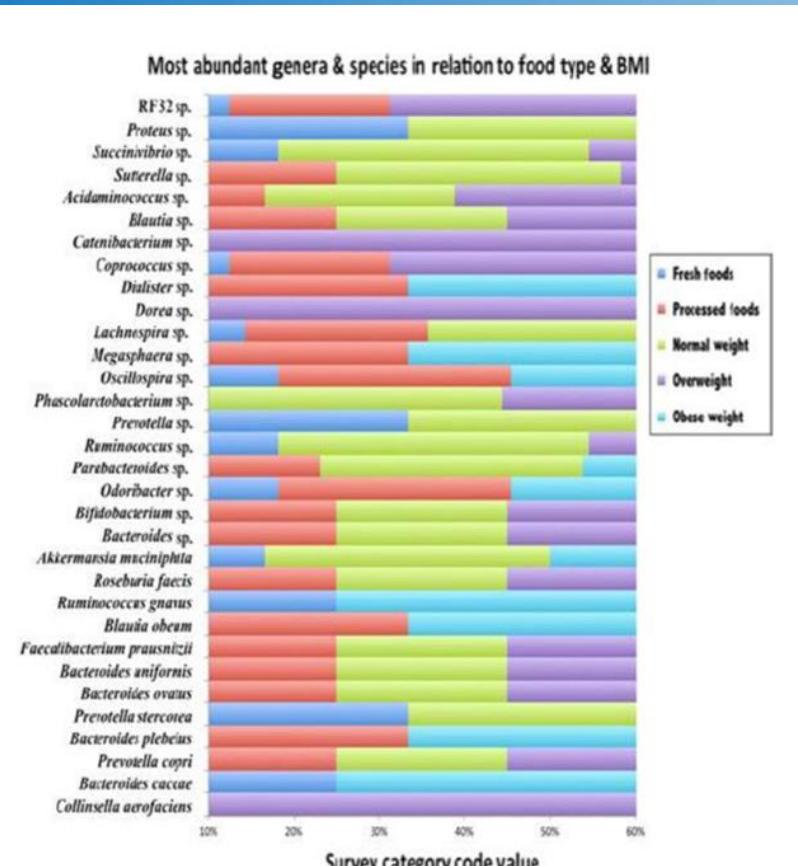
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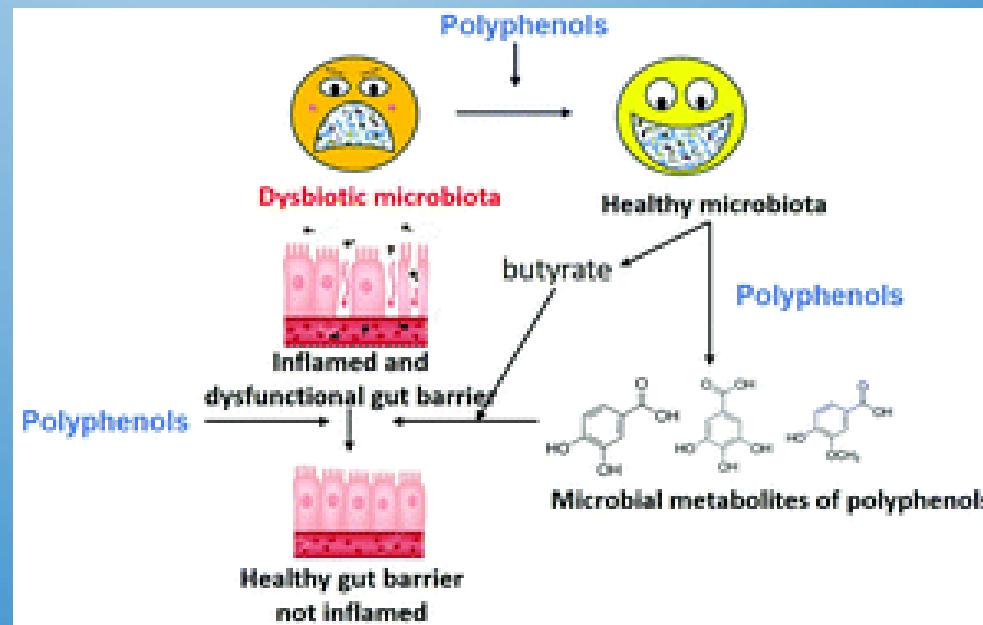
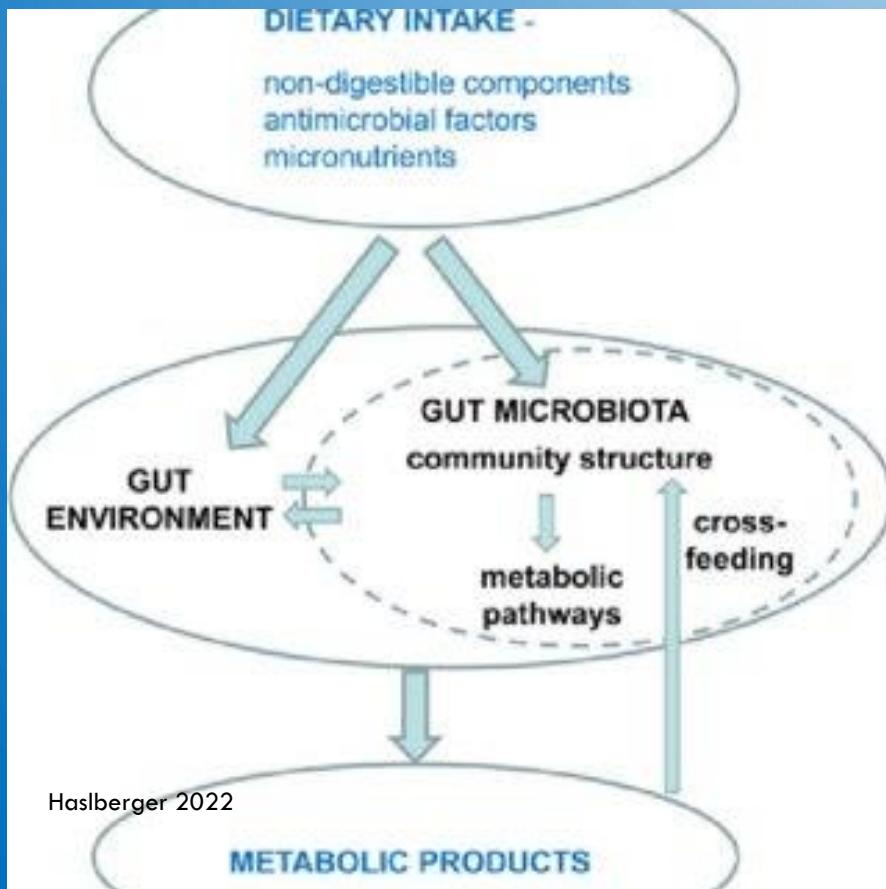
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# HIGH INDIVIDUAL DIVERSITY OF GUT MICROBIOTA REFLECTS NUTRITION AND LIFESTYLE , RESULTS IN DIFFERENT EXPRESSION OF METABOLITES ESP. SCFAS



# HIGHLY PERSONAL DIFFERENT RESPONSES OF MICROBIOTA TO DIETS, (CROSSFEEDING) AND METABOLISATION OF FOODS



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## Understanding the prebiotic potential of different dietary fibers using an *in vitro* continuous adult fermentation model (PolyFermS)

Sophie A. Poeker, Annelies Geirnaert, Laura Berchtold, Anna Greppi, Lukasz Krych, Robert E. Steiner, Tomás de Weerters, & Christophe Lacroix 

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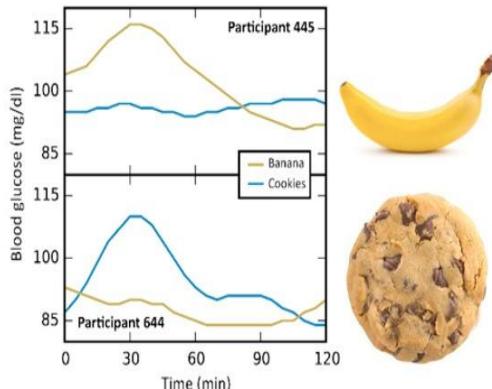
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# CORRELATION VON MICROBIOTA STRUCTURE WITH GLYCEMIC RESPONSES USED FOR ALGORITHMS FOR DIETARY ADVICE

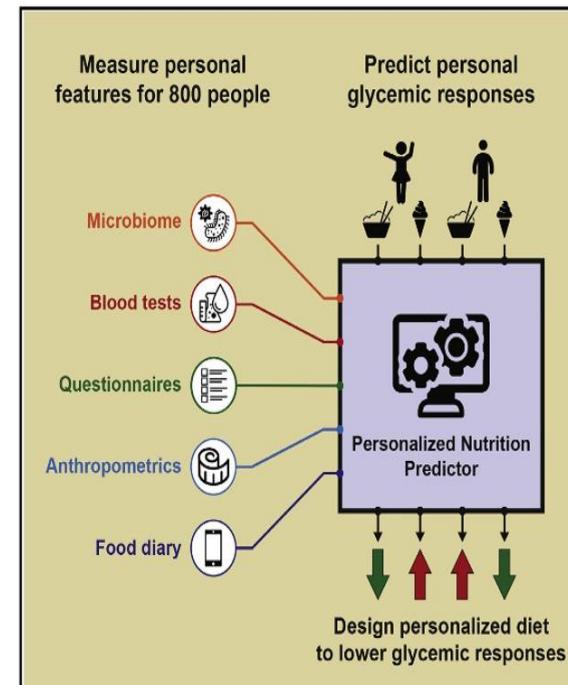
## Beispiel - Personalized Nutrition by Prediction of Glycemic Responses

David Zeevi, 2016

- 800 Personen – jeder hat andere „post meal Glucose response“



Mikrobiota Zusammensetzung beeinflusst Blutglucoselevel



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## Israeli Startup DayTwo Offers Personalized Nutrition

Globes  
By Gali Weinreb, November 02, 2016

Eran Elinav and Eran Segal, Weizmann Institute of monitoring the blood sugar, diets, and other traits of 800 people, [they built an algorithm](#) that can accurately predict how a person's blood-sugar levels will spike after eating any given meal. They also used these personalized predictions to develop tailored dietary plans for keeping blood sugar in check.

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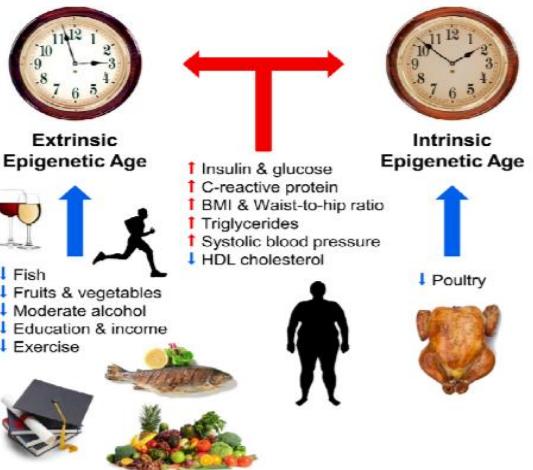
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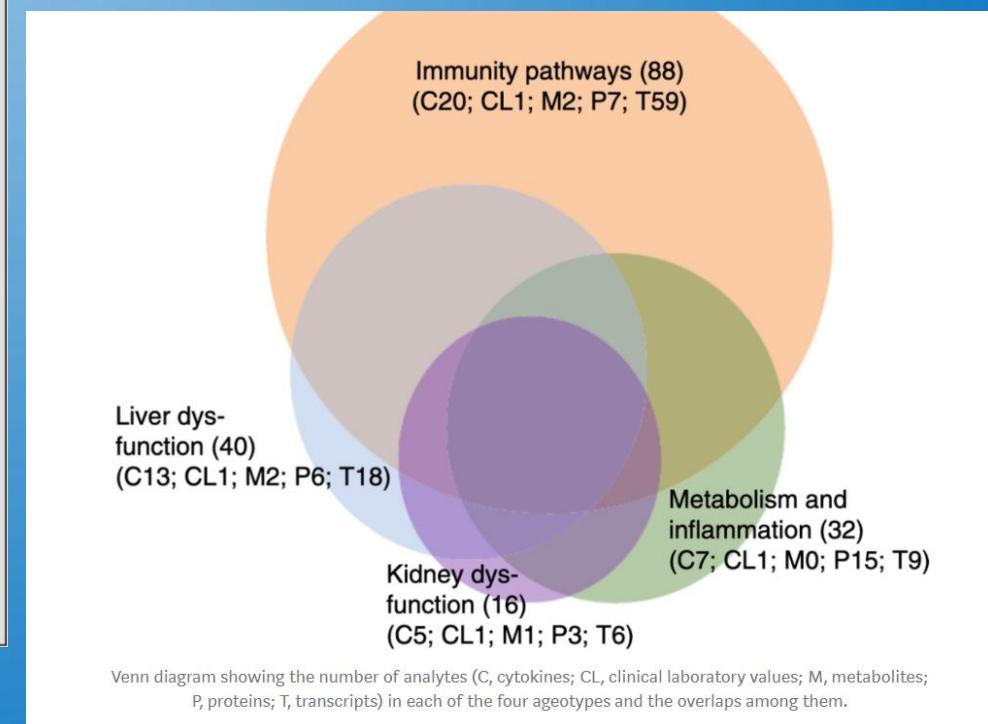
# PERSONAL DIFFERENT RESPONSES TO NUTRITION AFFECT AGING, E.G. CLOCK AND OTHER HALLMARKS OF AGING. THIS RESULT IN PERSONAL TYPES OF AGING, AGEOTYPES ?



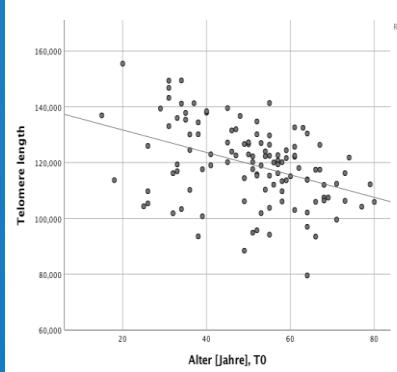
**Figure 4. Pictorial summary of our main findings.** The blue and red arrows depict anti-aging and pro-aging effects in blood respectively. The two clocks symbolize the extrinsic epigenetic clock (enhanced version of the Hannum estimate) and the intrinsic epigenetic clock (Horvath 2013) which are dependent and independent of blood cell counts, respectively.



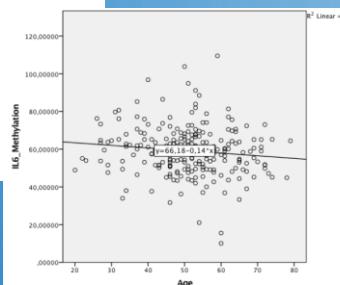
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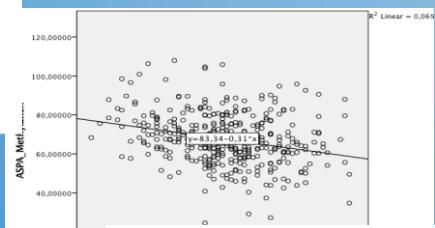
# FACES OF PERSONAL AGING: CORRELATIONS OF AGE WITH TELOMERS, CPG-METHYLATION, INFLAMMATION, MIRNAS( N>500)



Correlation age with telomere-shortening



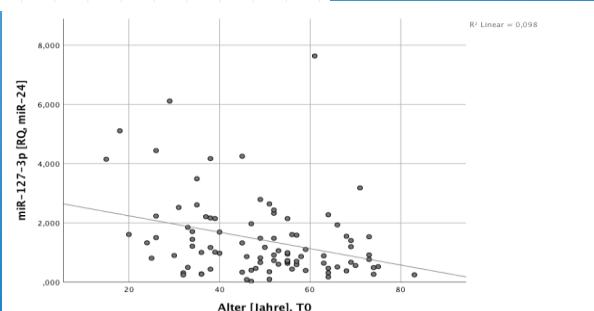
Correlation age with CPG methylation ASPA



Correlation age with CPG methylation IL6

	miR-155	Sp (delta)	miR-21	miR-19	miR-26b	miR-106	miR-152	miR-151a	miR-328	3p Methylierter	Methylierter	Interleukin
	[delta] C1	C1	[delta] C1	[delta] C1	[delta] C1	[delta] C1	[delta] C1	[delta] C1	[delta] C1	on c-fos	on c-fos	[%]
	miR-92a	miR-92a	miR-93	miR-16	miR-16	T0						
Methylation of TNF	Korrelationskoeffizient [%]	0,148	0,113	-0,227	-0,217	0,026	-0,066	,199	0,148	-0,378	-0,171	-0,191
	Sig. (2-seitig)	0,047	0,466	0,002	0,030	0,795	0,514	0,007	0,339	0,021	0,050	0,072
	N	162	44	182	100	99	102	182	44	54	182	106
Methylation of IL-6	Korrelationskoeffizient [%]	0,020	-0,439	,232	0,035	,258	,368	,068	-0,443	,144	,232	-0,034
	Sig. (2-seitig)	0,839	0,025	0,014	0,044	0,004	0,003	0,023	0,431	0,015	0,784	0,020
	N	162	44	182	61	61	59	26	31	56	102	138
Methylation of IL-8	Korrelationskoeffizient [%]	-0,034	-0,183	-0,082	-0,175	0,031	0,101	-0,040	-0,137	-0,047	-0,078	-0,196
	Sig. (2-seitig)	0,648	0,229	0,278	0,079	0,765	0,313	0,599	0,405	0,731	0,299	0,042
	N	179	45	179	102	101	102	179	45	55	106	108

Correlation age with miRNA-127



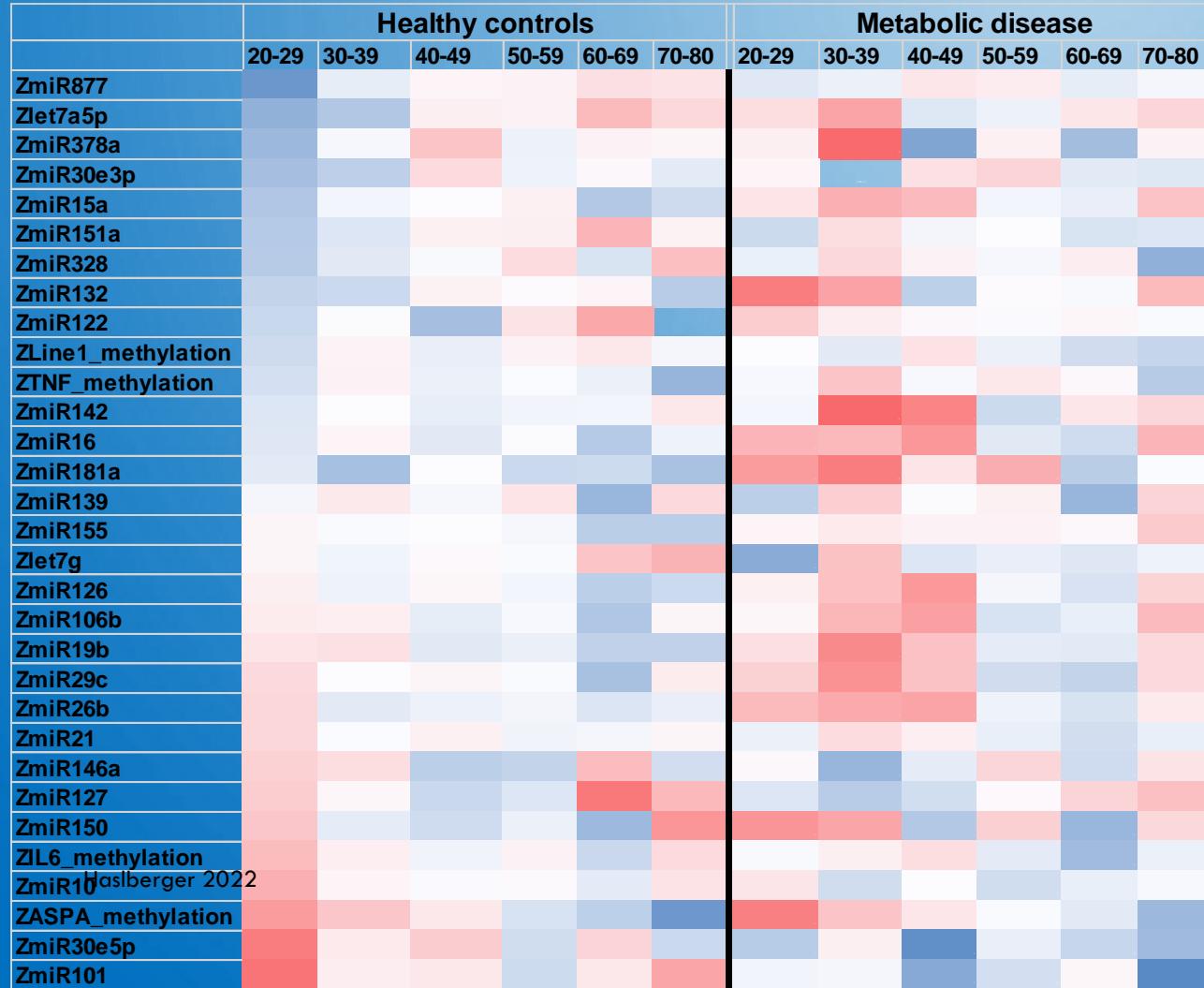
# AGE DEPENDENT EPIGENETIC MARKERS: IN THE METABOLIC DISEASE GROUP (MD) CORRELATIONS ARE DISRUPTED, N>300

Marker	correlation analysis			age group comparison			direction
	All	HC	MD	all	HC	MD	
ASPA							--
IL6							--
TNF							--
miR-19b							--
miR-let-7a-5p							++
miR-877							++
miR-151a							++
miR-127							--
miR-30e-5p							--
miR-150							
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miR-21							
miR-101							

	correlation			Age Group			
	All	Healthy controls	Metabolic disorders	All	Healthy controls	Metabolic disorders	
ASPA	<0,001	<0,001	<0,001				
IL6	Trend (pearson: -0,127, p=0,079)	Pearson -0,73, p=0,412	Pearson -0,201, p=0,108				
TNF	Trend (spearman -0,054, p=0,384)	spearman -0,053, p=0,491	pearson -0,105, p=318				
miR-19b	Linear regression: p= 0,018; (spearman -0,298**, p=0,005)	Linear regression: p= 0,027 (spearman -0,352** p=0,008)	spearman -0,174, p=0,341				
miR-let-7a-5p	Linear regression: p= 0,028 (pearson 0,236*, p=0,028)	Linear regression: p= 0,001 (pearson 0,445** p=0,001)	pearson -0,085, p=0,613				
miR-877	Trend (spearman 0,207, p=0,058)	Trend Linear regression: 0,054 (spearman 0,288*, p=0,047)	spearman 0,105, p=0,544				
miR-151a	Trend (spearman 0,151, p=0,166)	(spearman 0,295* p=0,039)	spearman 0,059, p=0,727				
miR-127	Trend (pearson 0,288, p=0,055)	pearson 0,196, p=0,336	Trend pearson 0,444, p=0,057				
miR-30e-5p	Trend (spearman -0,246, p=0,163)	Trend spearman -0,436, p= 0,055	spearman 0,048 p =0,869				
miR-150	Trend (pearson -0,114, p=0,522)	pearson 0,082, p=0,731	pearson -0,416, p=0,139				
miR-21	Trend (pearson, -0,091, p=0,153)	pearson -0,094, p=0,233	pearson -0,098, p=377				
miR-101	Trend (pearson: -0,228, p=0,195)	Trend: pearson -0,317, p=0,173	pearson -0,074, p=0,803				

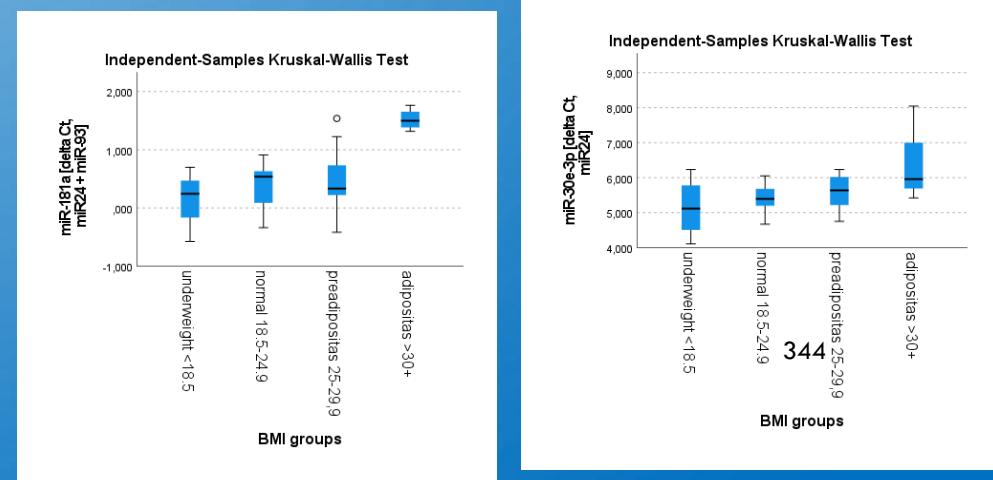
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# DIFFERENT AGING PATTERNS ( AGE RELATED MIRNAS) IN METABOLIC DISEASE GROUP

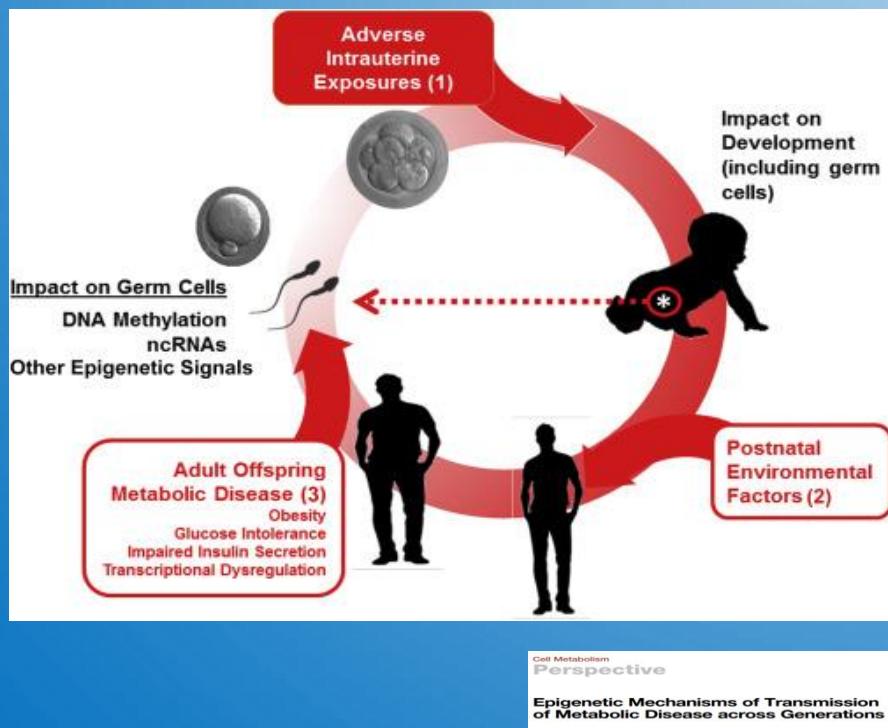


Marker	All	healthy controls	metabolic disorders
mi-181a	0,454* (Pearson)	x	0,777***
mi-378a	0,396* (Pearson), Linear regression (p=0,28)	x	0,864**
mi30e-5p	-0,339	-0,429	0,357
mi30e-3p	0,361* (spearman), Linear regression (p=0,042)	x	0,573
mi122	x	-0,359	x
mi101	x	-0,353	x
let7g	x	-0,360*	x
mi139*	p=0,007	p=0,004	

\*Kruskal Wallis test between BMI groups

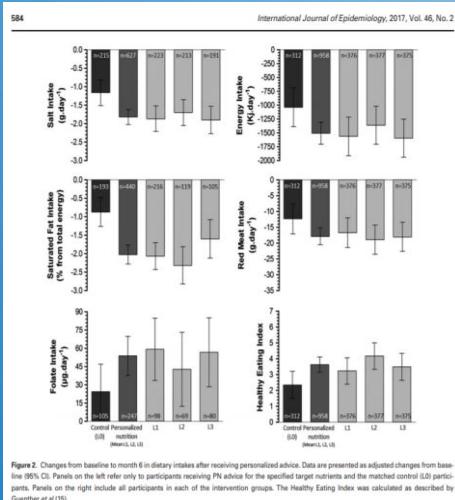


# CONCLUSION: COMPLEX DISEASES ( AGING) CAN ARISE FROM (A MIXTURE OF) PERSONAL DIVERSE CAUSES, AN ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PERSONALLY SPECIFIC INTERVENTIONS ( E.G. METABOLIC DISEASE )



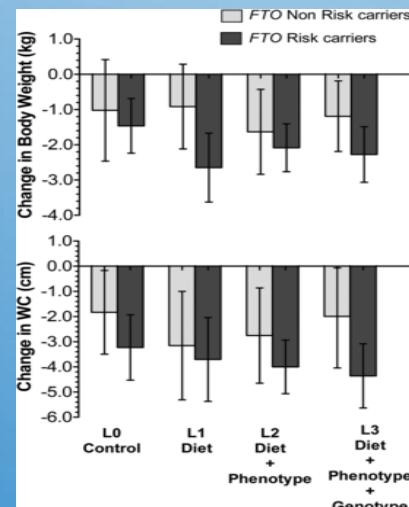
	<b>Metabolic disorder</b>
Hereditary SNPs Somatic mutations	Symptomatic treatment
Epigenetic (hereditary) or acquired mismethylations, Histone modifications or ncRNA structure	Causative treatment ? Epigenetic active additives? mTOR – Inhibitors ? Nutrition, Lifestyle
Delivery or accessed microbiota dysbiosis	Causative treatment ? pro-, pre, postbiotics? Nutrition, Lifestyle
Psycho- neuro- immune endocrine axis	

# CONEQUENCES FOR INTERVENTION: FLAGSHIP EU-FOOD4ME STUDY RESULTS PROVE „PERSONAL NUTRITION DOES BETTER THAN ON SIZE FITS ALL“, J. MATHERS



Changes of dietary intake  
after personalised advice  
Healthy eating index

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Changes in adiposity markers were greater in participants who were informed that they carried the FTO risk allele (level 3 AT/AA carriers) than in the nonpersonalized group

## Does personalised nutrition work?

Professor John Mathers, Newcastle University, UK

John Mathers leads work on the design, delivery and evaluation of outcomes from the Food4Me project's Proof-of-Principle study. He is professor of human nutrition and director of the Human Nutrition Research Centre, Newcastle University, UK.





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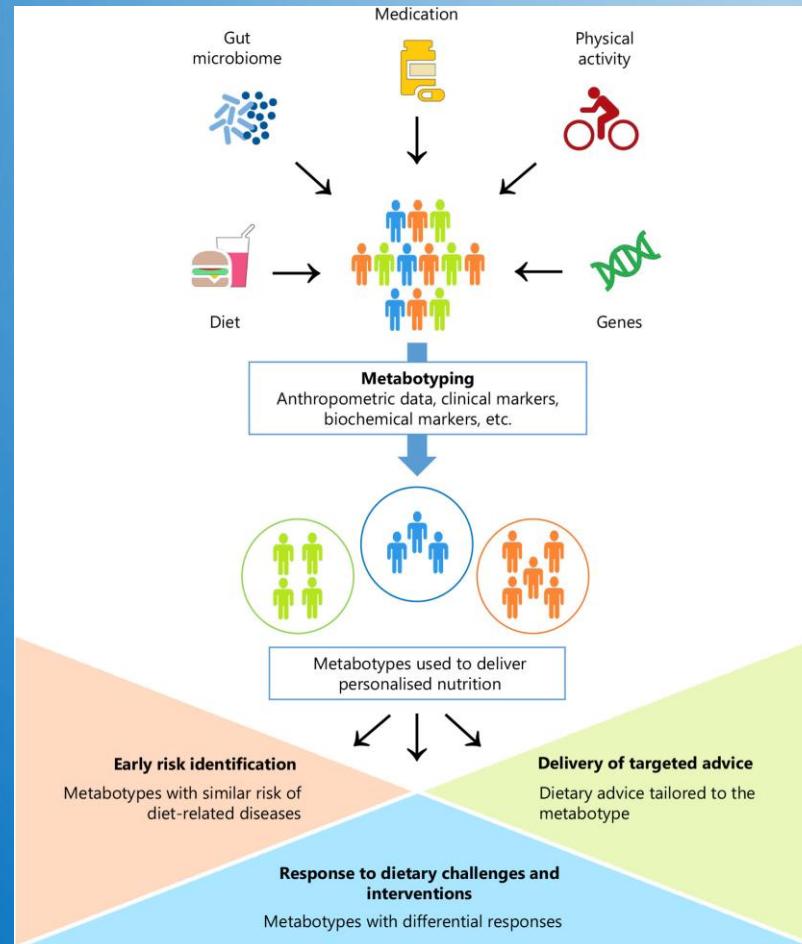
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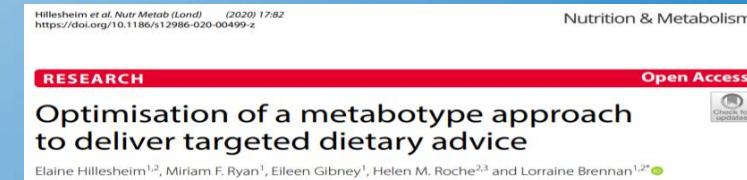
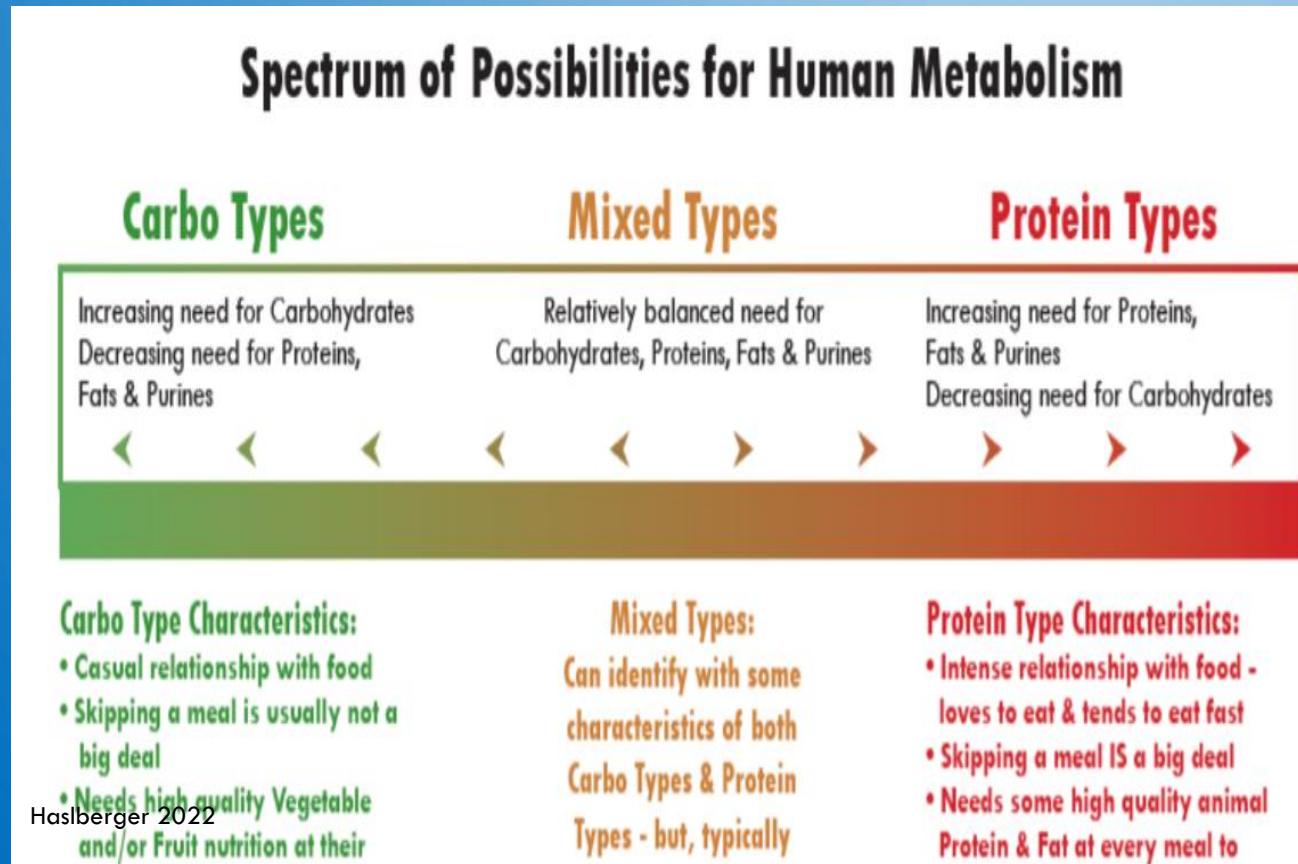
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Optimisation of a metabotype approach to deliver targeted dietary advice

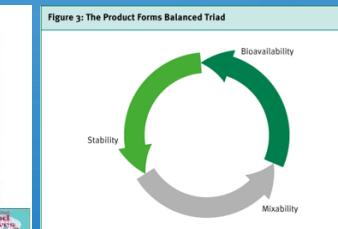
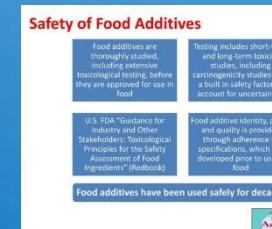
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# CONSEQUENCES OF METABOTYPES, DIETS NEXT STEP TRACKERS



# Personalisation of additives for Prevention

## Monitoring basic hallmarks of health/aging. Use of mixes of supplements, functional foods which address specific mechanisms „Achilles Fersen Concept“



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For gut health

# AND WHAT HAPPENS TO OUR PYRAMIDE? BUT ALREADY THE DIETARY REFERENCE VALUES 1992 US USDA-PYRAMIDE, USED AN INDIVIDUALISED APPROACH, AGE, LIFESTYLE (WORK)

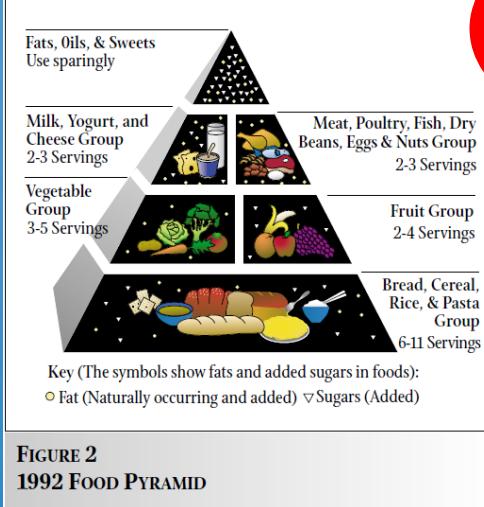
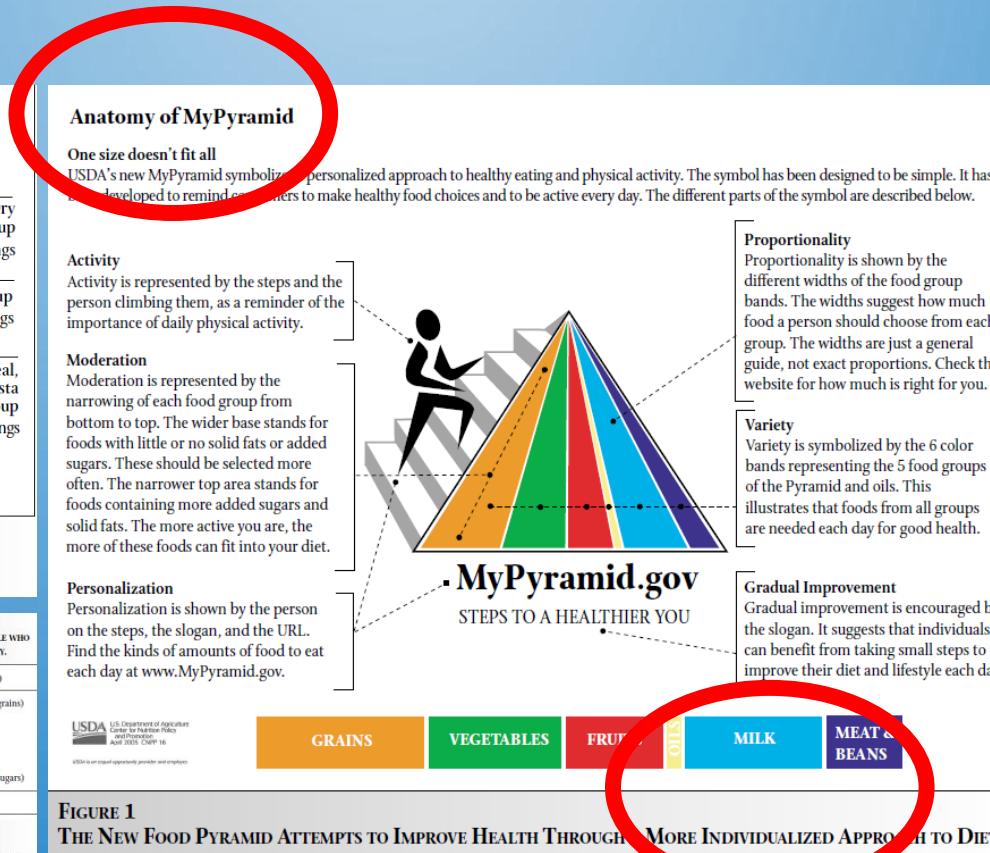


TABLE 1  
MYPYRAMID FOOD PLAN FOR A 38-YEAR-OLD MALE WHO EXERCISES AN AVERAGE OF 30-60 MINUTES PER DAY.

Food group	Recommendation (per day)
Grains	9 oz. (half should be whole grains)
Vegetables	3.5 cups
Fruits	2 cups
Milk	3 cups
Meat and beans	6.5 oz.
Oil	8 tsp.
Discretionary	410 calories (extra fats and sugars)
Total daily calories	2,600

TABLE 2  
SAMPLE MENU THAT MEETS THE MYPYRAMID RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HEALTHY EATING FOR A 38-YEAR-OLD MALE WHO EXERCISES AN AVERAGE OF 30-60 MINUTES PER DAY.\*

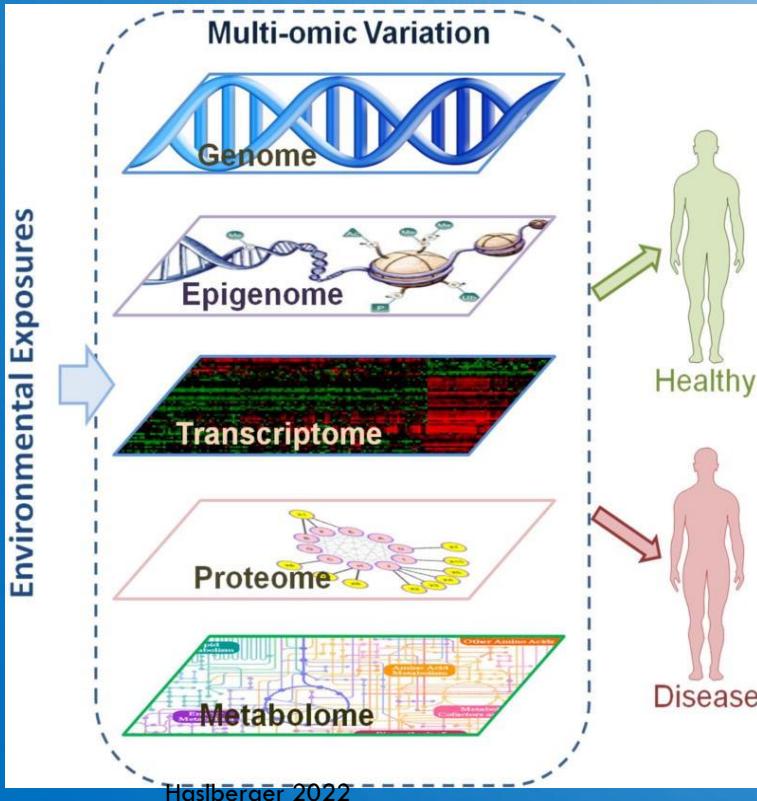
Breakfast	Bagel with fruit other than raisins, 1 large (3.5" to 3.75" diameter) Orange juice, 1.5 cup
Snack	Black beans, cooked, no fat added, 1 cup Rice, brown, medium-grain, cooked, .5 cup Bread, multigrain, toasted, 2 large slices
Lunch	McDonald's garden salad French fries, from frozen, deep-fried, 1 small fast-food order Milk, 1%, 1 cup



**FIGURE 1**  
THE NEW FOOD PYRAMID ATTEMPTS TO IMPROVE HEALTH THROUGH A MORE INDIVIDUALIZED APPROACH TO DIET

John Neustadt  
Integrative Medicine 2005

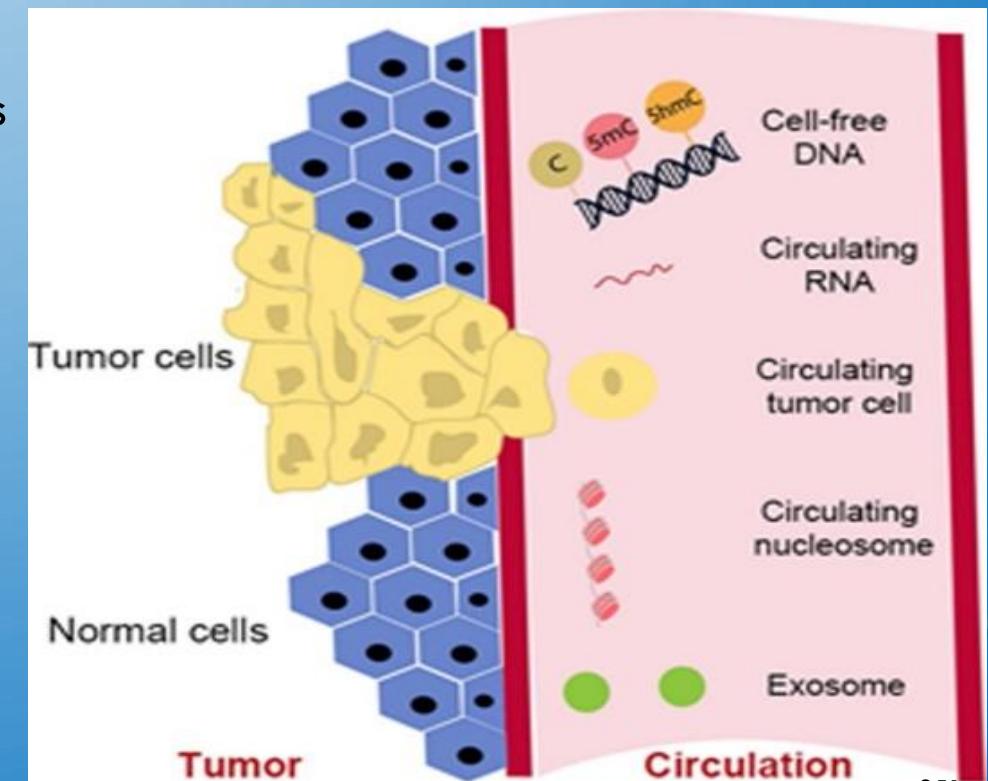
# IMPORTANCE OF GOOD MARKERS, NUTRITION: FOLLOWING THE WAY OF PERSONALISED, PREZISION MEDICINE, CFDNA) ?



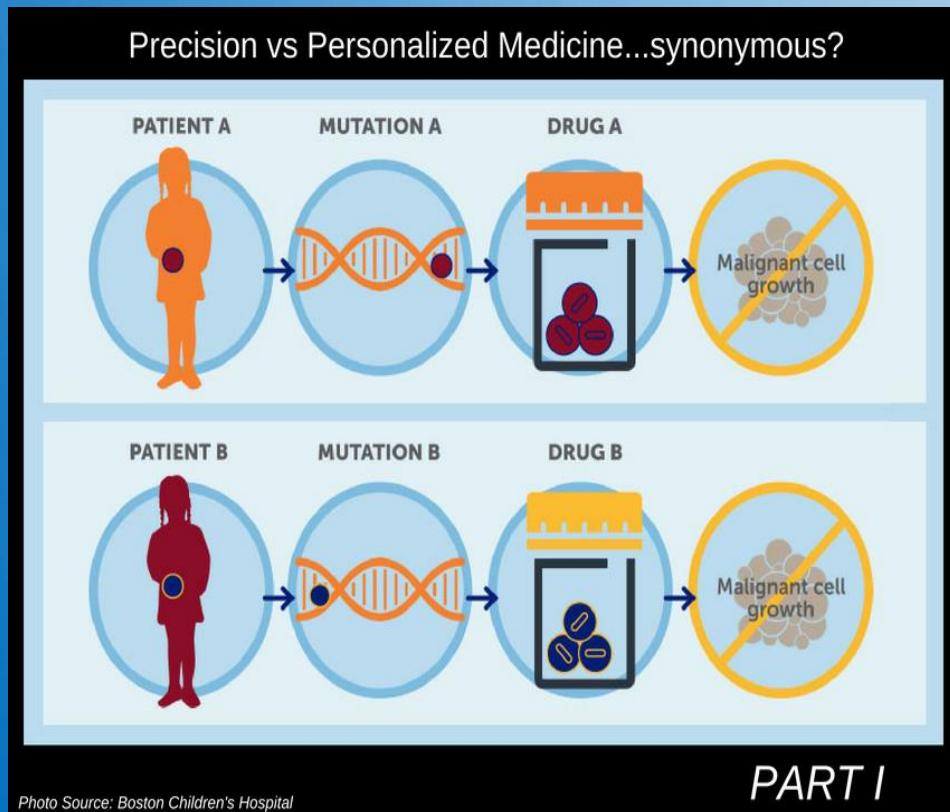
Epigenetic markers, quite stable, eg condens events over longer time spans

Metabolomic marker reflect more immediate events

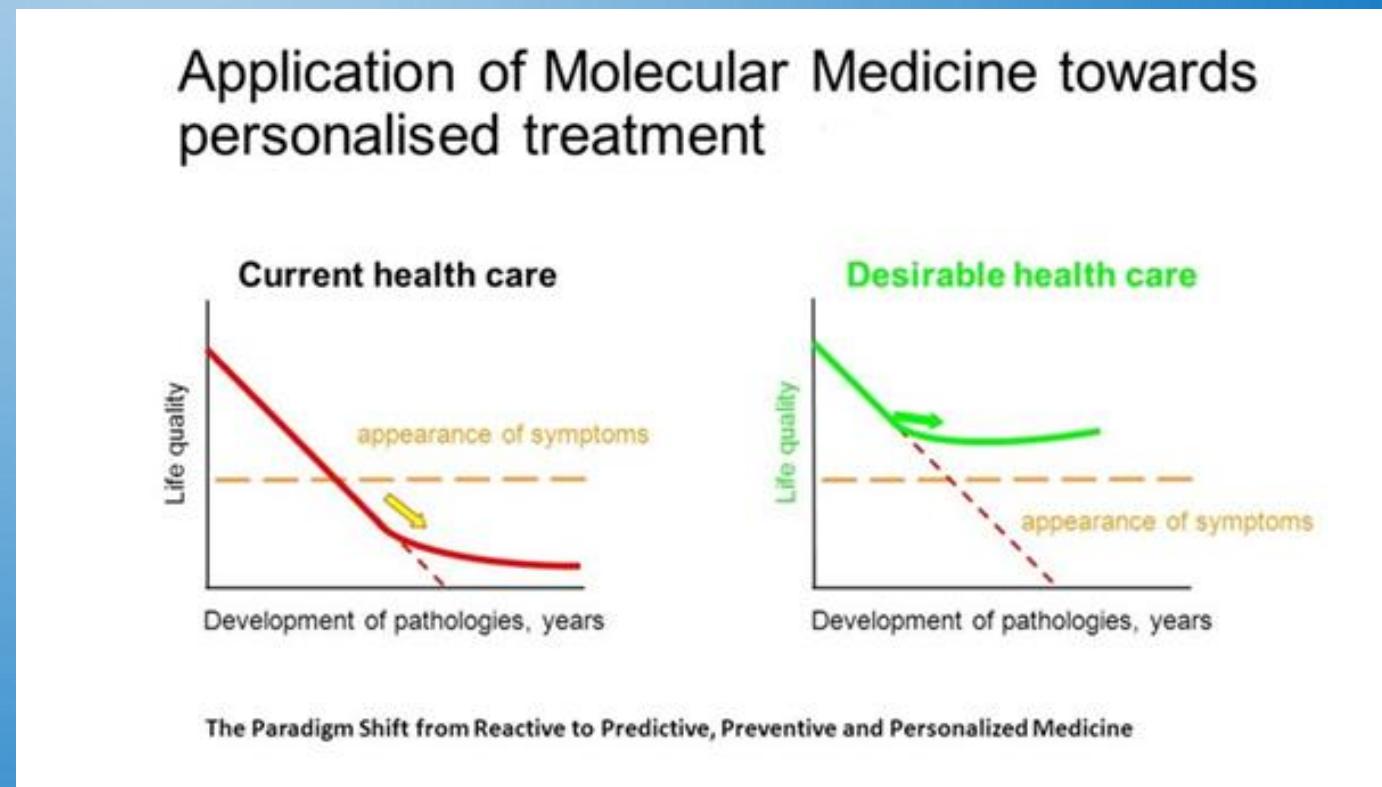
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# Discussion: Prevention, intervention: personal or precision medicine, synonyme? personal or precision nutrition, synonyme?



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# PRECISION, PERSONALISED NUTRITION, WHERE WE ARE, WHERE TO GO

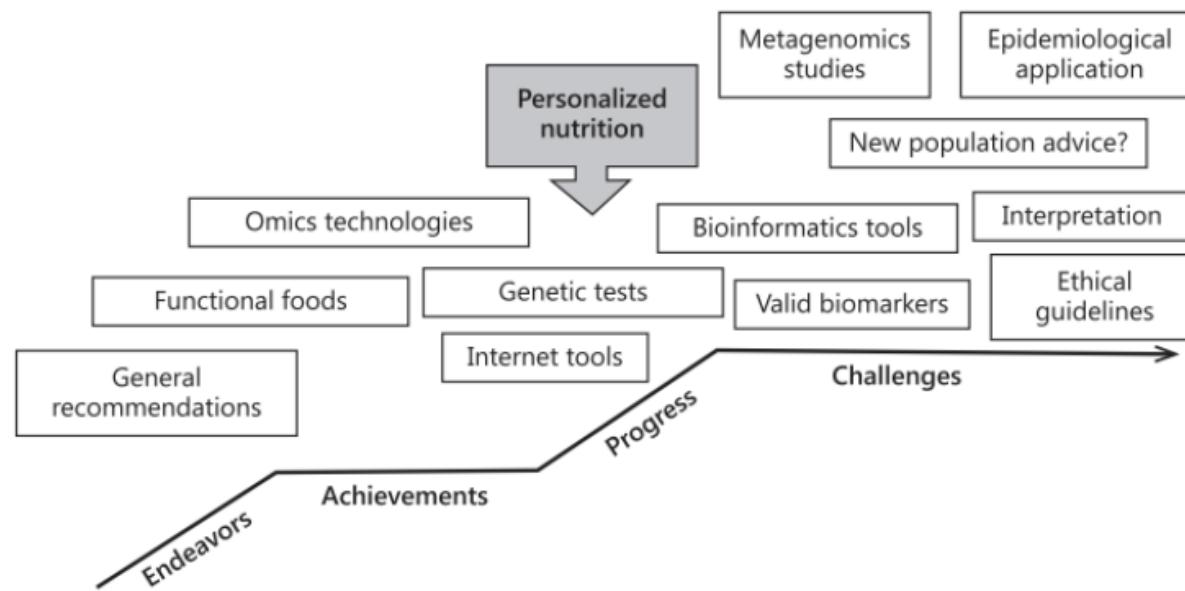


Fig. Achievements already made and challenges faced by personalised nutrition (Prasad et al., 2016)

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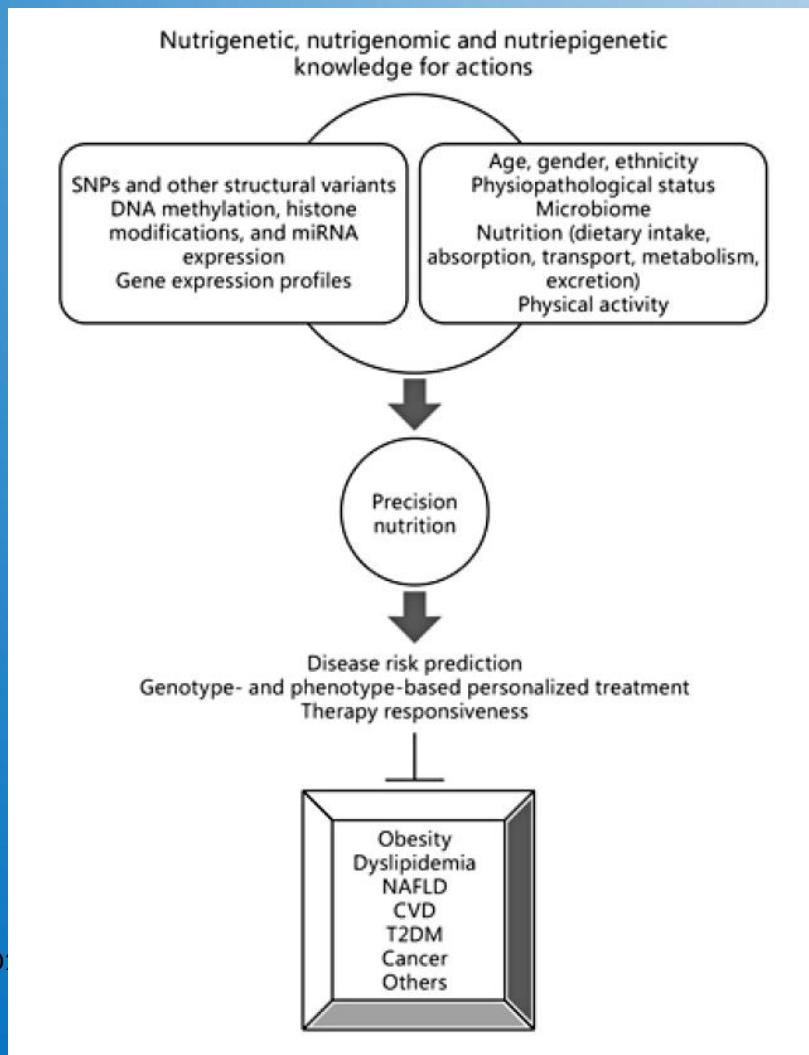
Personalisierte Ernährung und Einteilung/ Klassifizierung von metabolischen Typen basierend auf genetischen, epigenetischen und mikrobiologischen Analysen

Personalized nutrition and classification of metabolic types based on genetics, epigenetics and gut microbiota

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# PRECISION-, PERSONALISED NUTRITION, THE WAY WE MAY GO

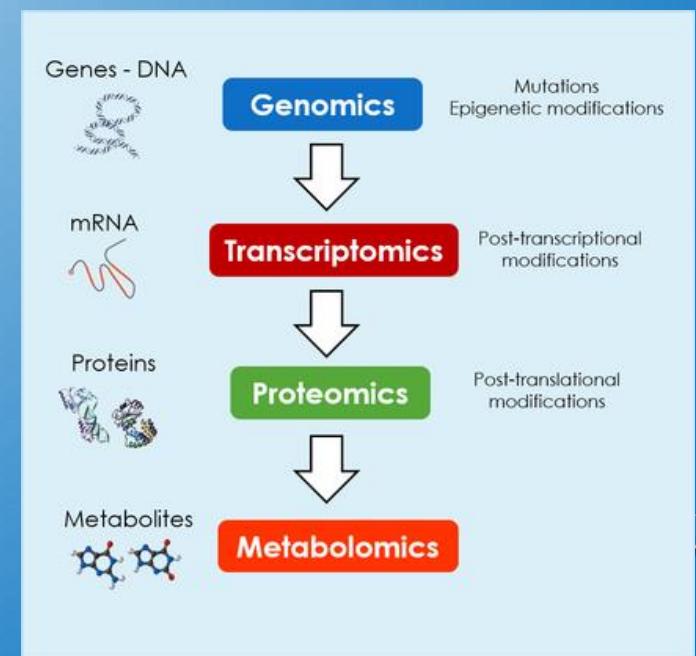
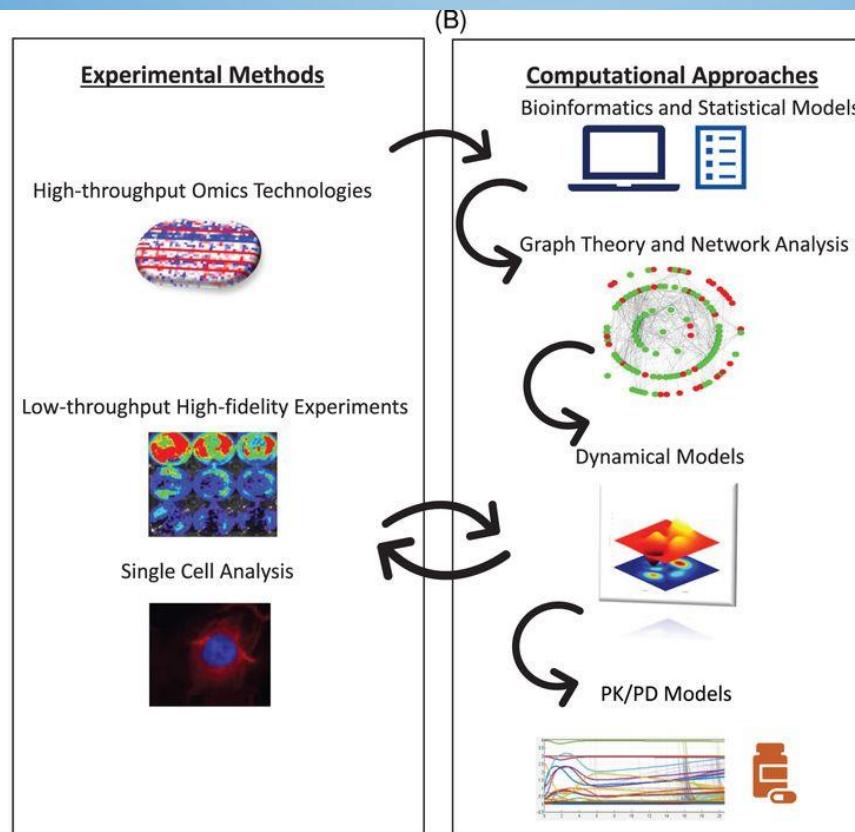
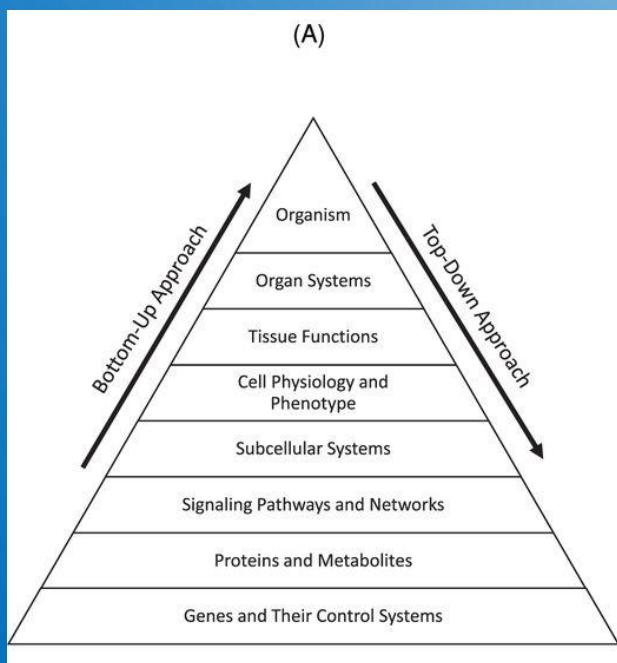


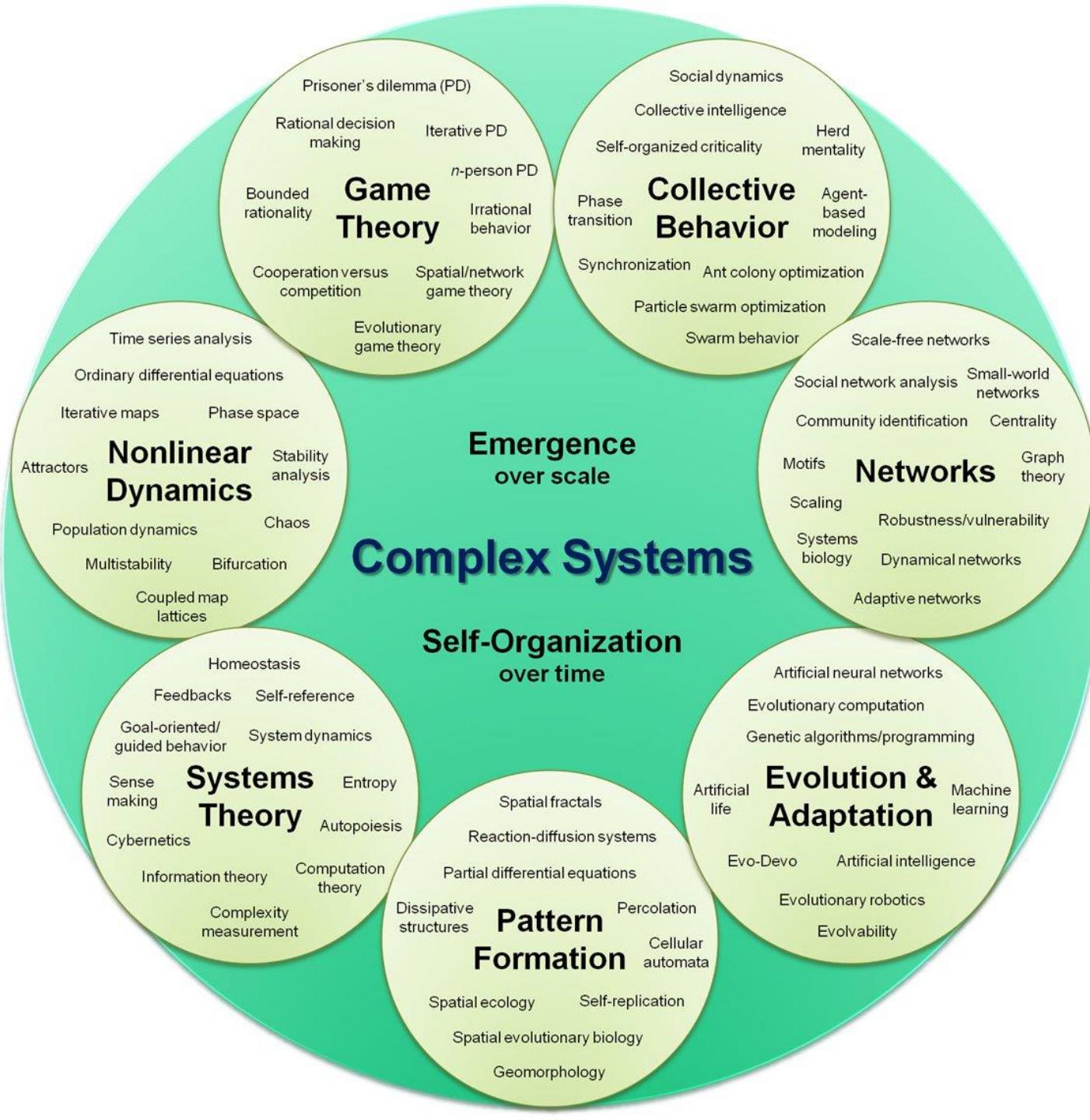
Mobile apps and wearable devices facilitate real-time assessment of dietary intake and provide feedback which can improve glycaemic control and diabetes management.

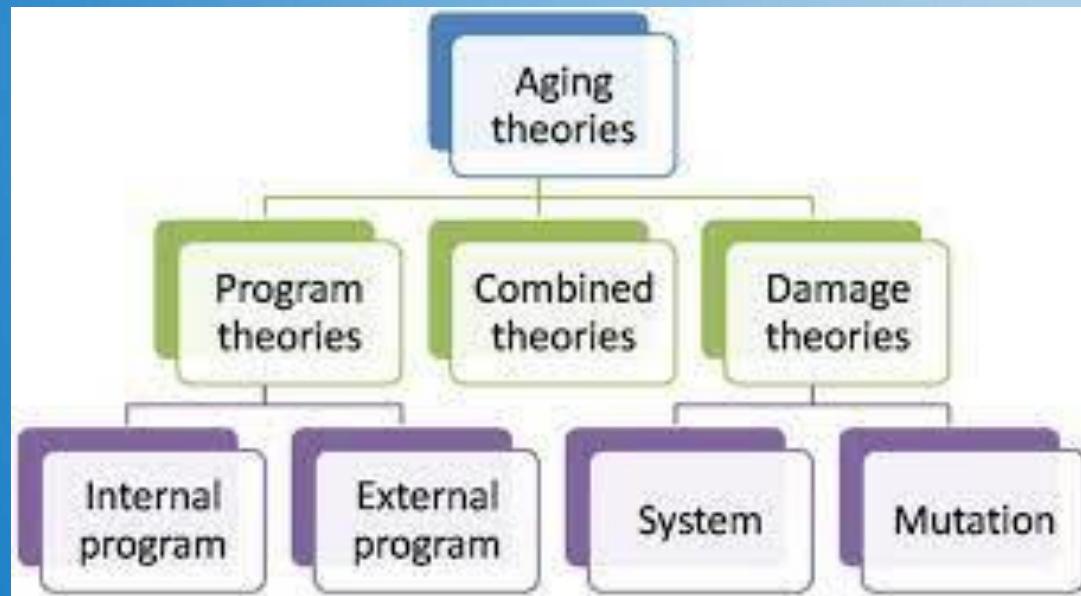
By integrating these technologies with big data analytics, precision nutrition has the potential to provide personalised nutrition guidance for more effective prevention and management of complex metabolic diseases

(D. D. Wang & Hu, 2018).

# SYSTEM THEORY AND OMICS



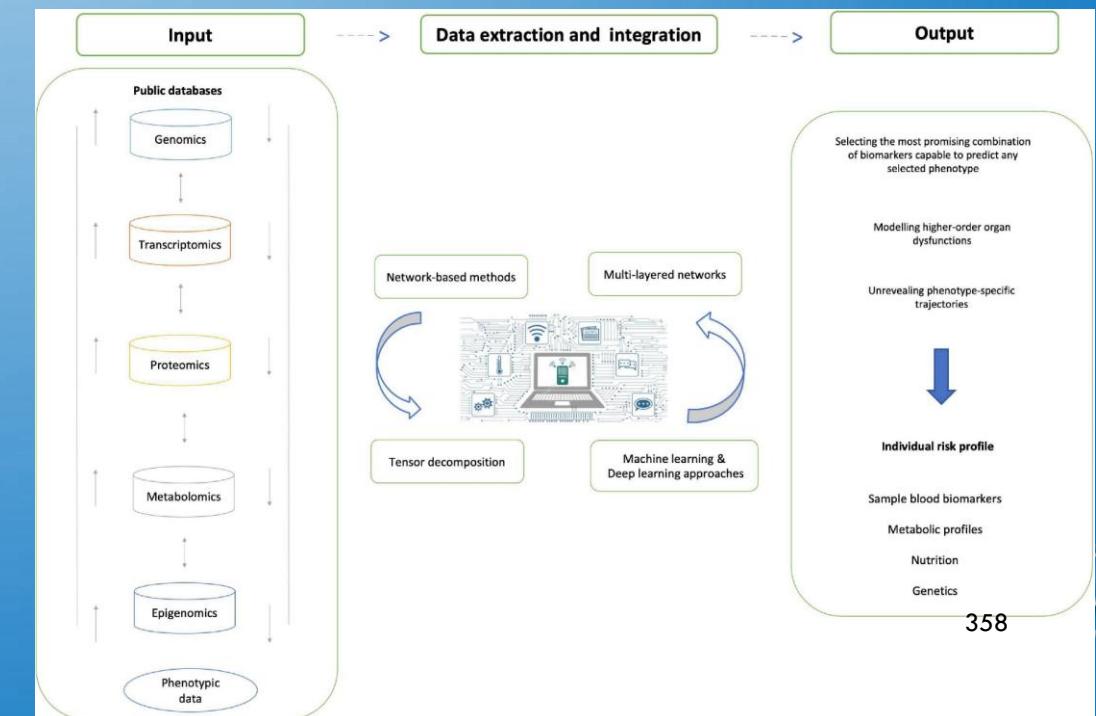
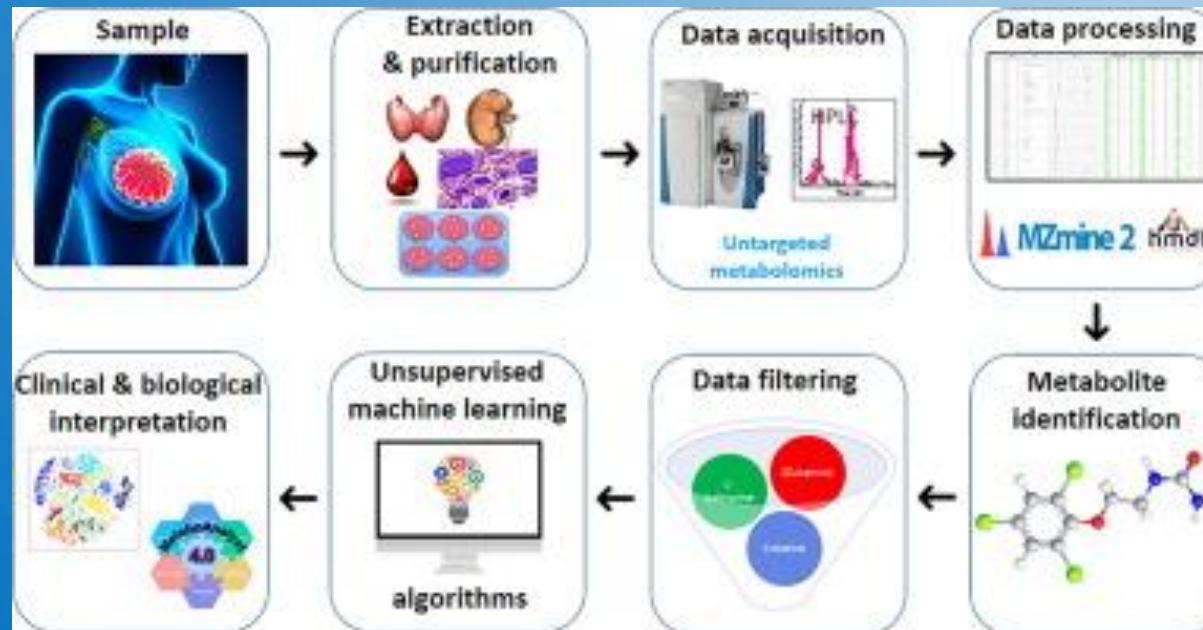




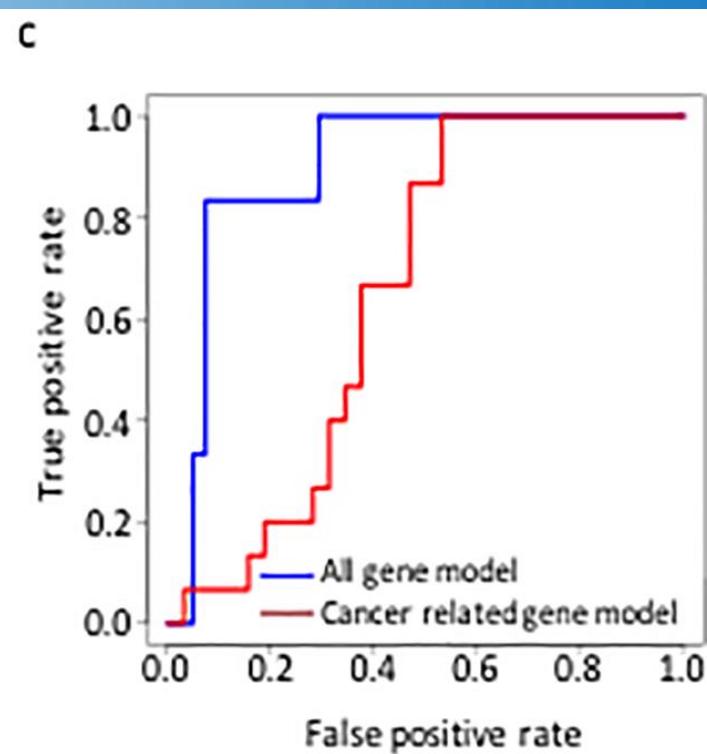
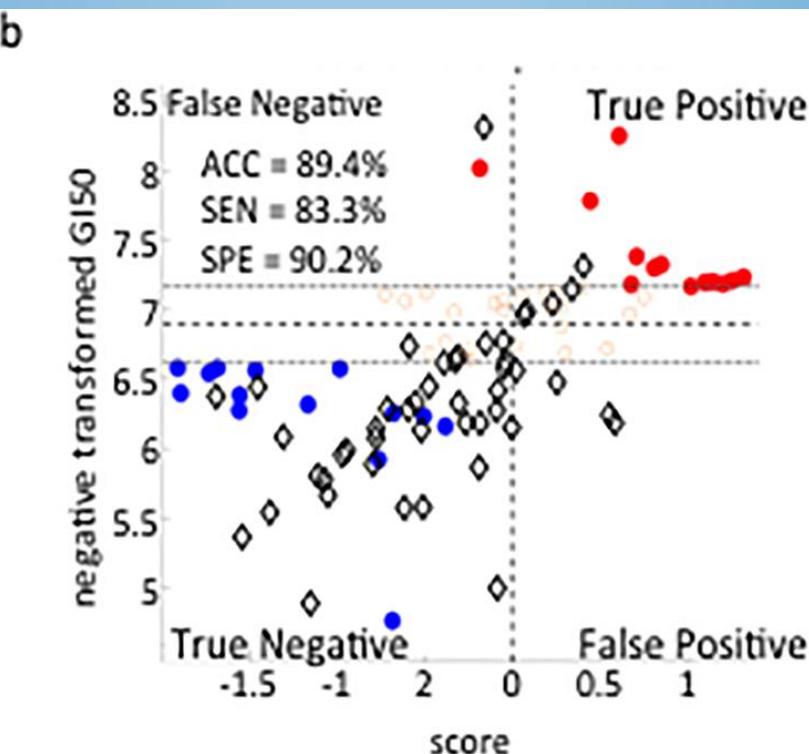
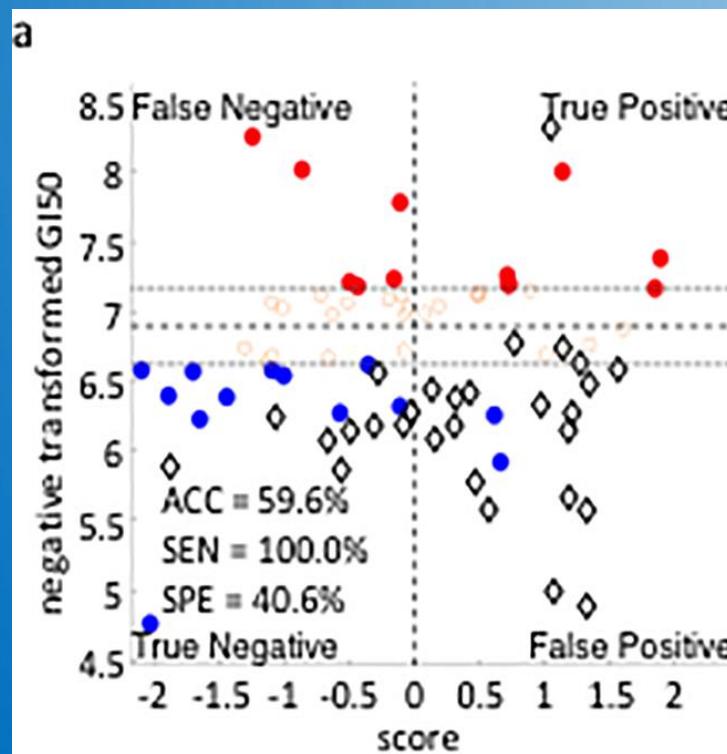
## Definition of aging and non-aging systems in reliability theory

- **Aging: increasing risk of failure with the passage of time (age).**
- **No aging: 'old is as good as new'**  
(risk of failure is not increasing with age)
- **Increase in the calendar age of a system is irrelevant.**

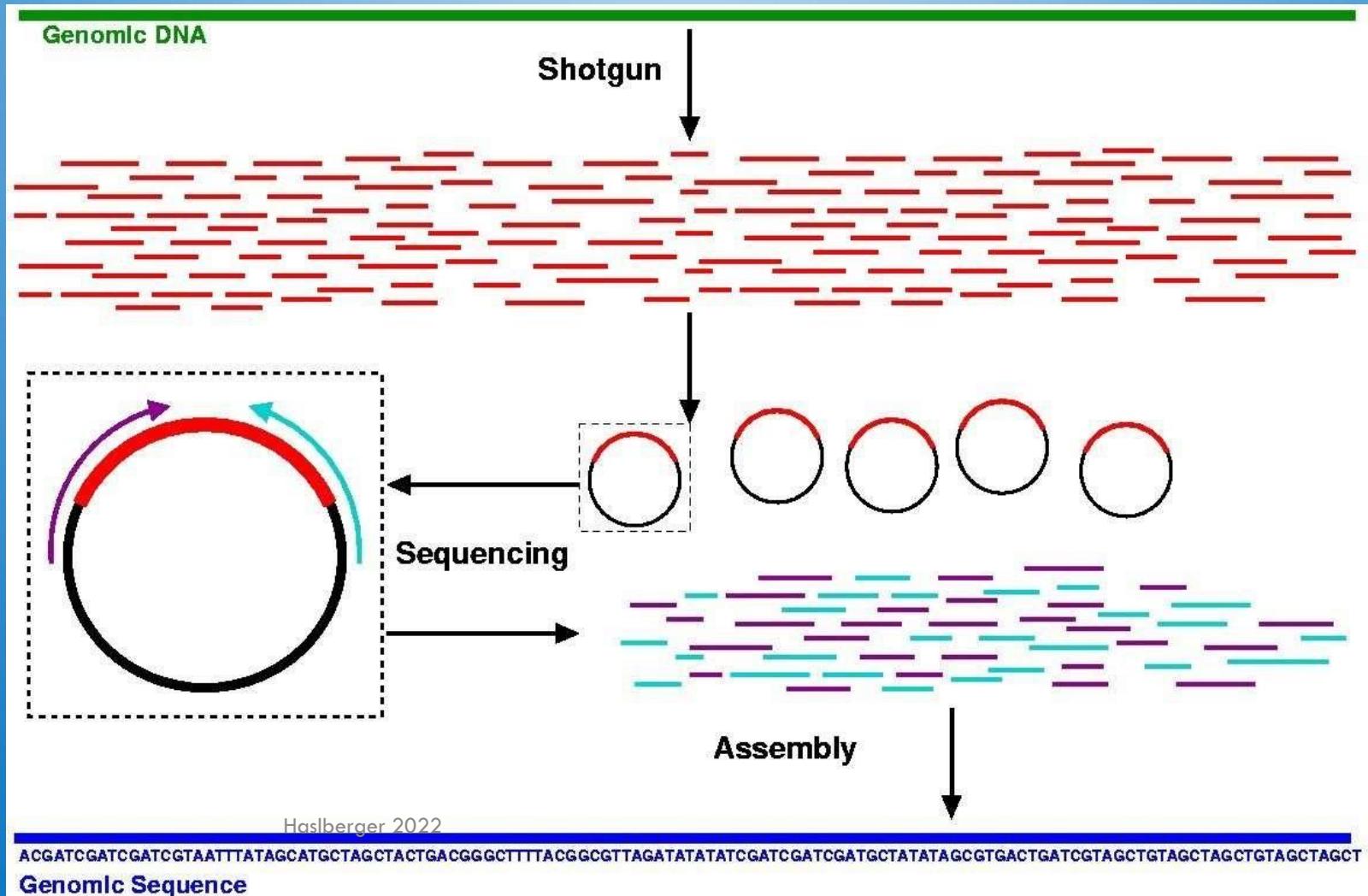
# DATA PROCESSING INTERACTION



# SELF LEARNING ALGORITHMS



# SHOTGUN METHOD



# SANGER METHOD

## Sanger sequencing

- Low-throughput, but accurate and can handle up to 1000bp
- Still standard for small-scale laboratory use

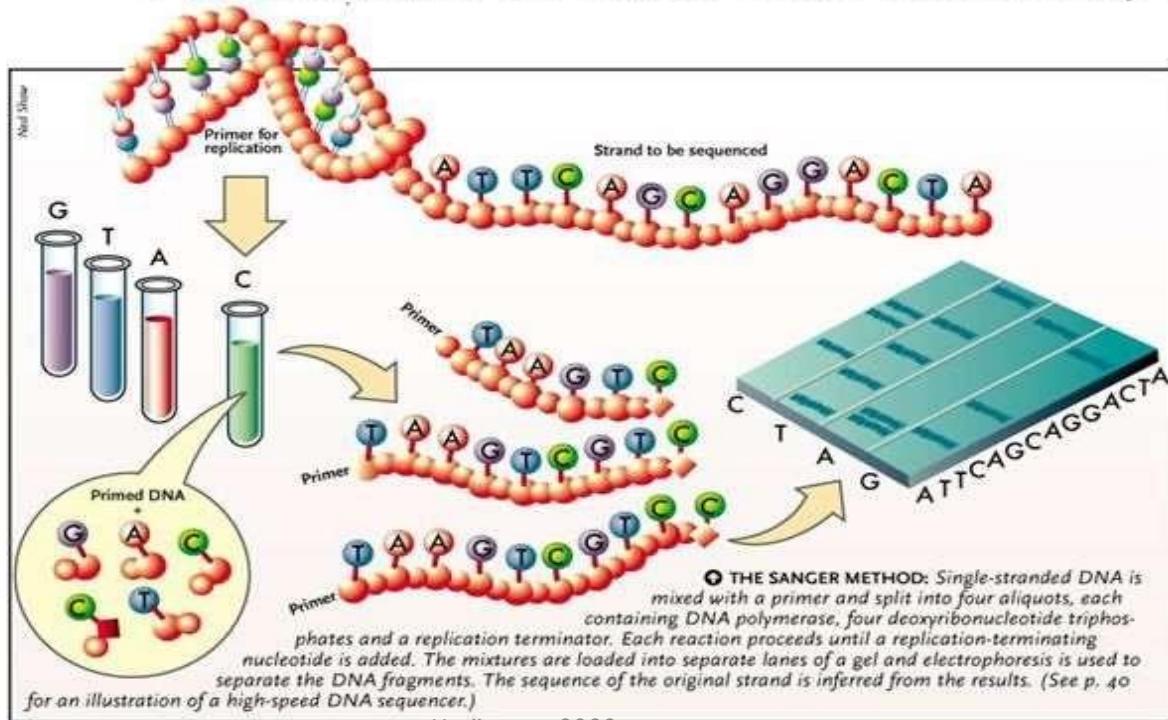


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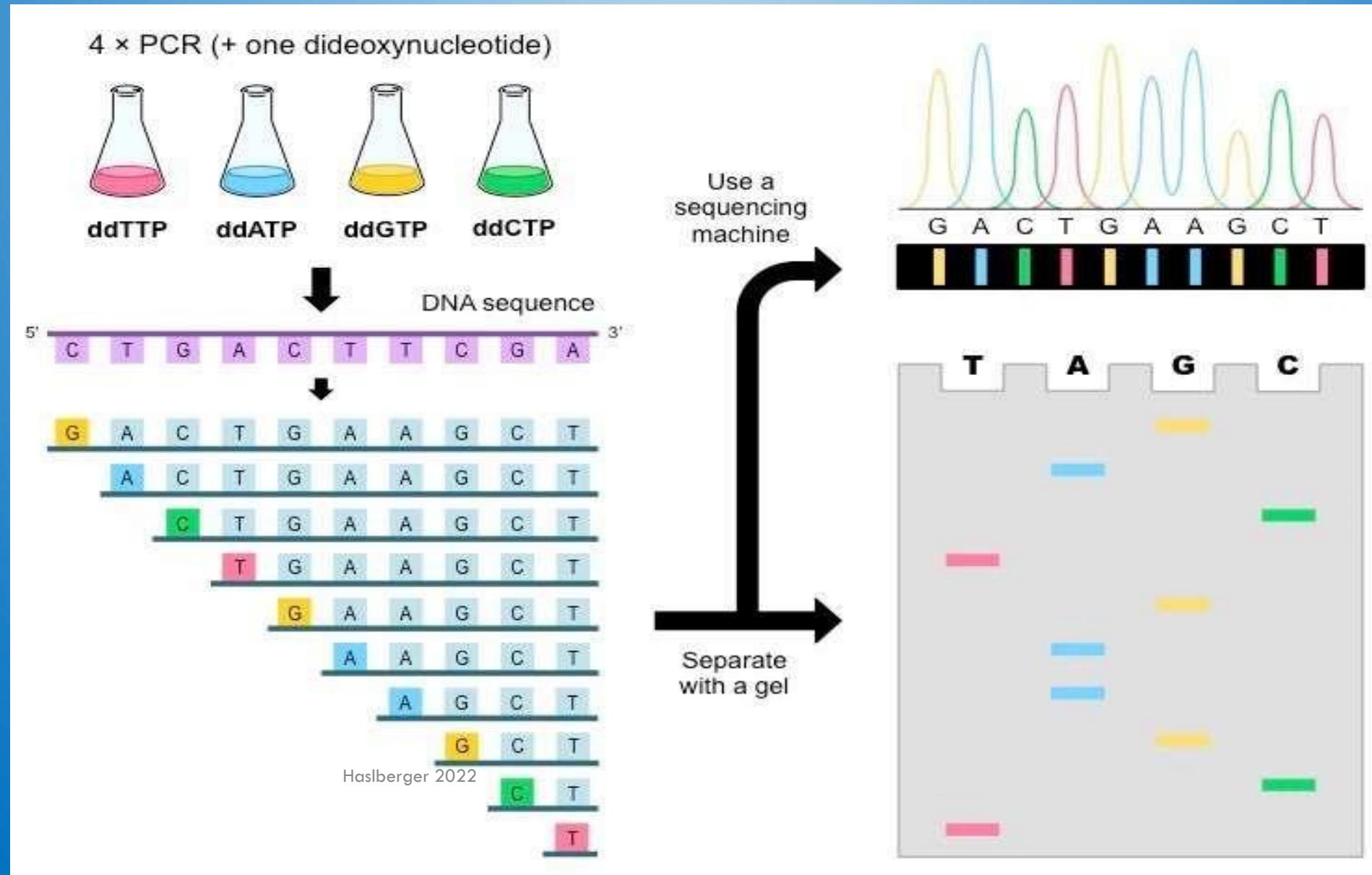
- DNA to be sequenced
- Primer
- Free nucleotides that allow further extension (dNTP, circles):
  - N=A, C, G or T, all four types are present
- Free nucleotides that terminate extension (ddNTP, rhombuses):
  - N=A, C, G or T, only one type is present
- DNA polymerase

See these videos for animations:

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# MOVIES

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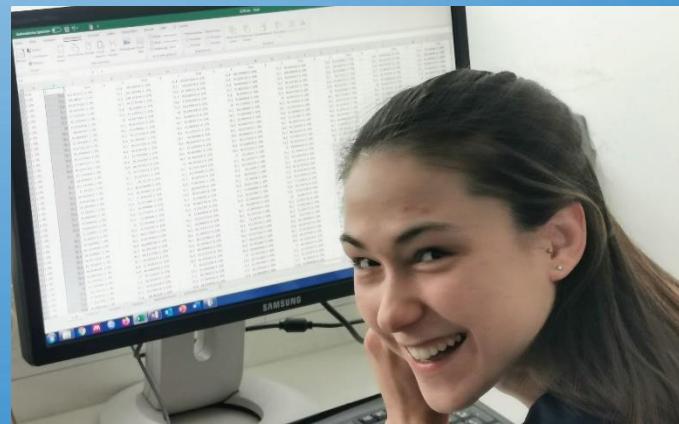
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