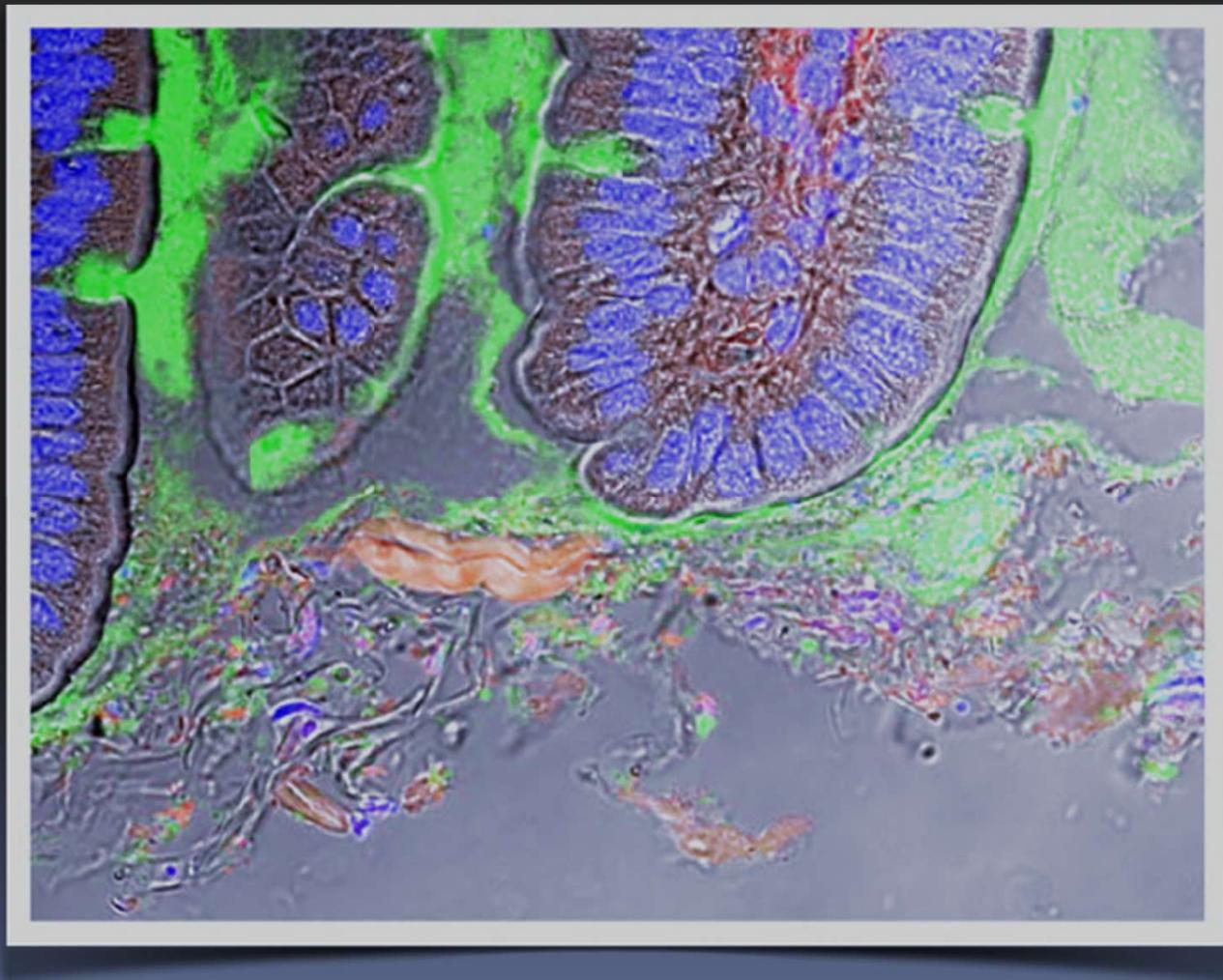


Intestinal Microbiota and Enteric Vaccine Design



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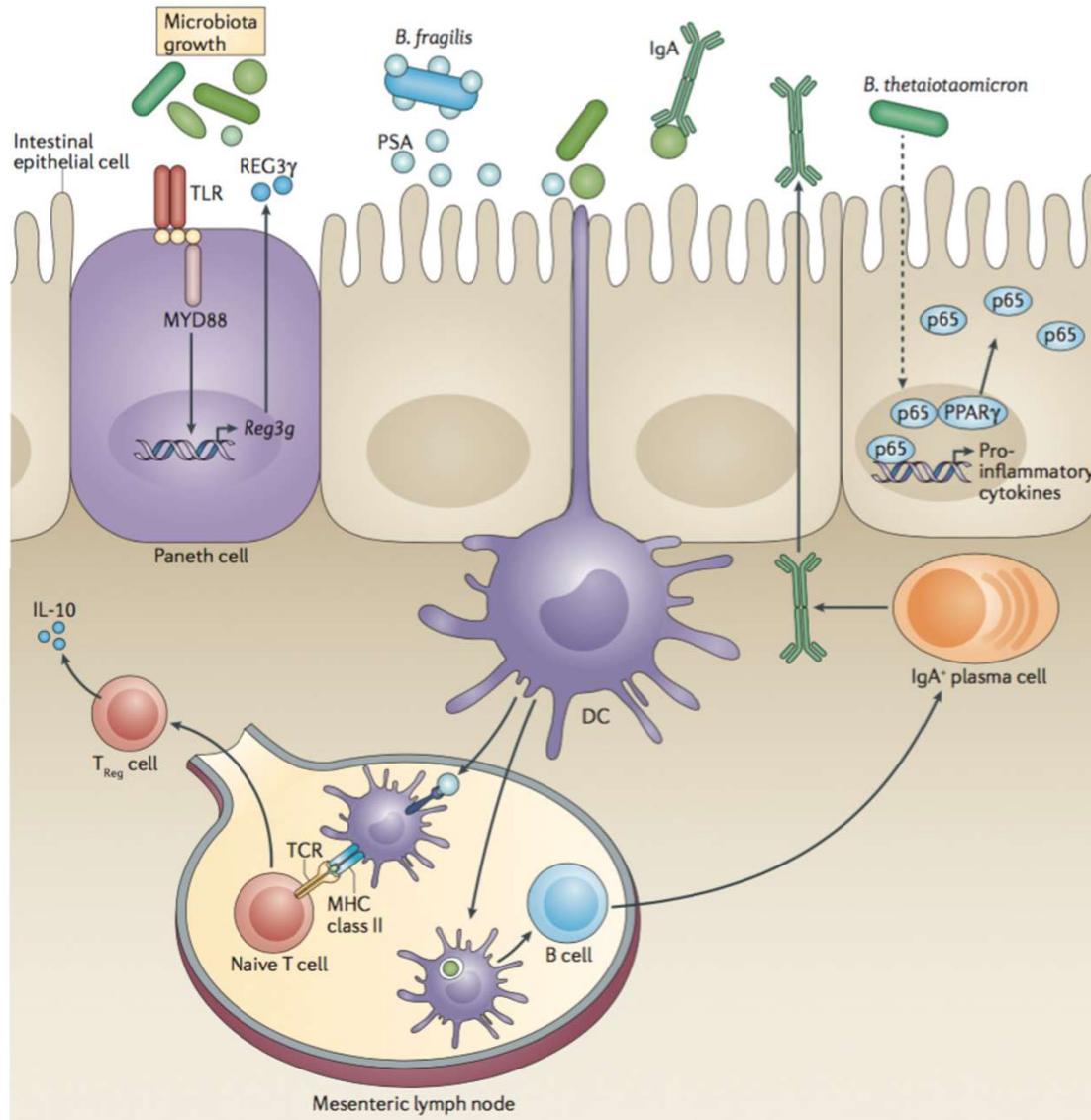
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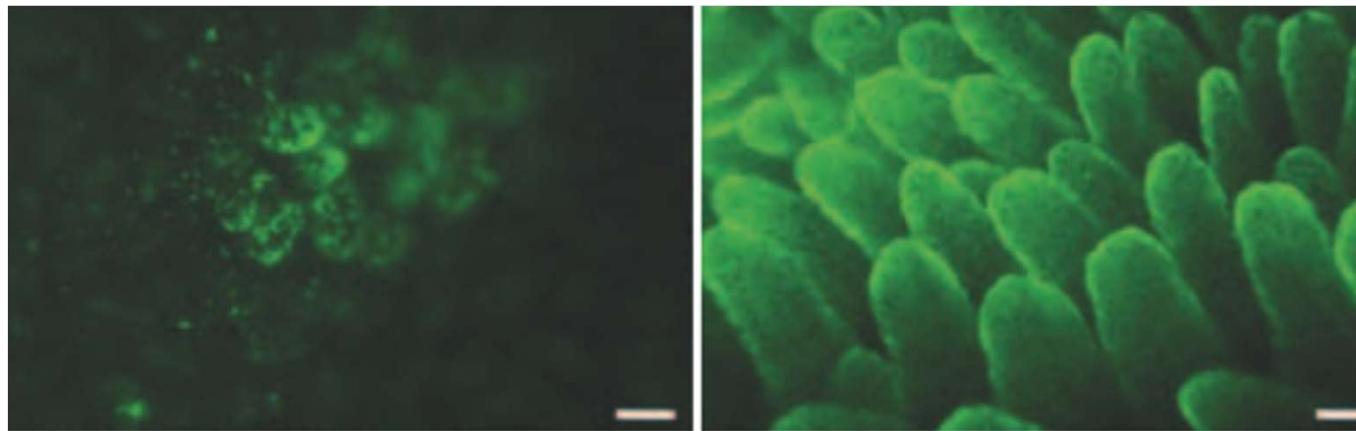
modulation of intestinal immunity by commensal microorganisms



microbiota prepare us for attack

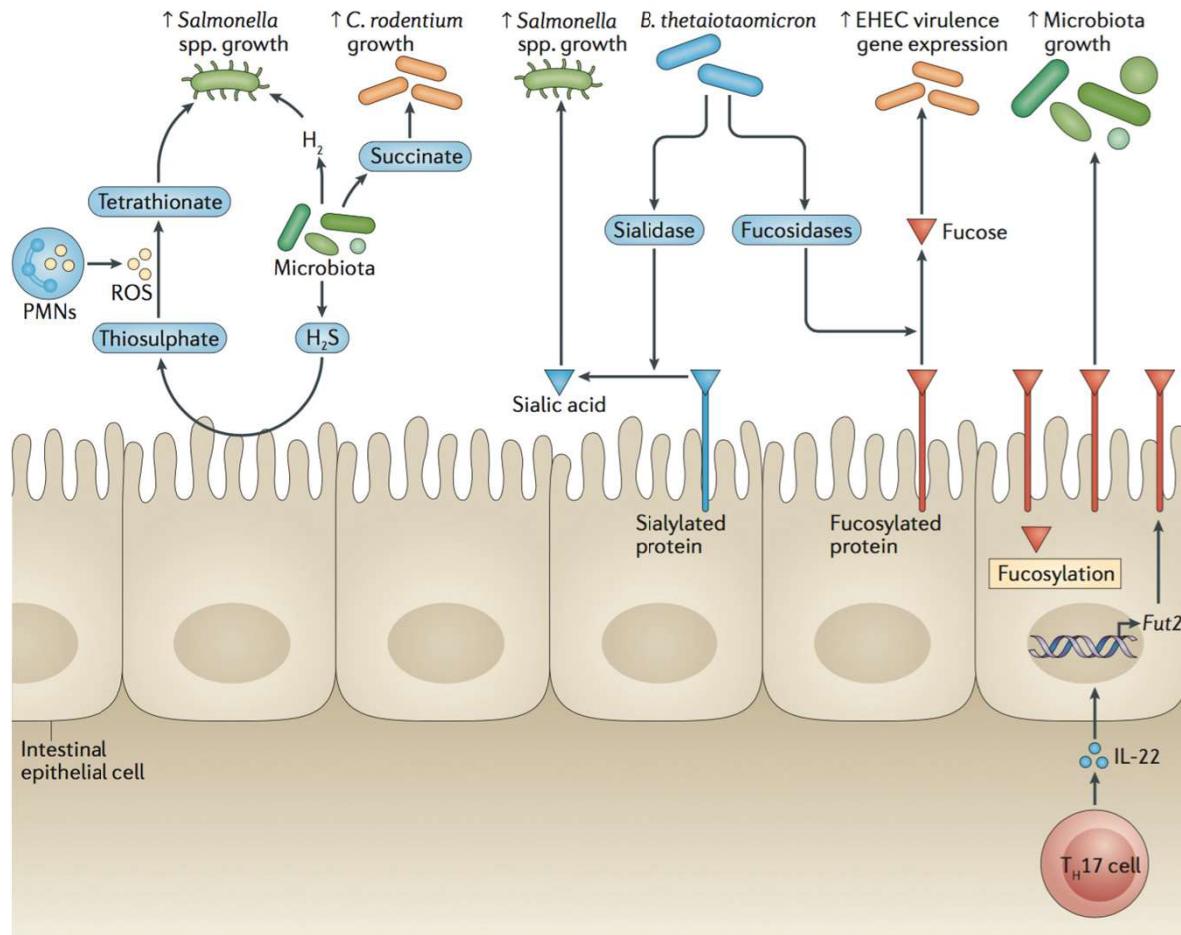
- stimulate TLRs
- sustain gut “innate immune tone”
- stimulate regulatory T cells
- induce IgA production
- modulate pro-inflammatory cytokines

TLR4 sensing changes the sugar landscape in the intestine



Pickard, *et al* Nature, 2014

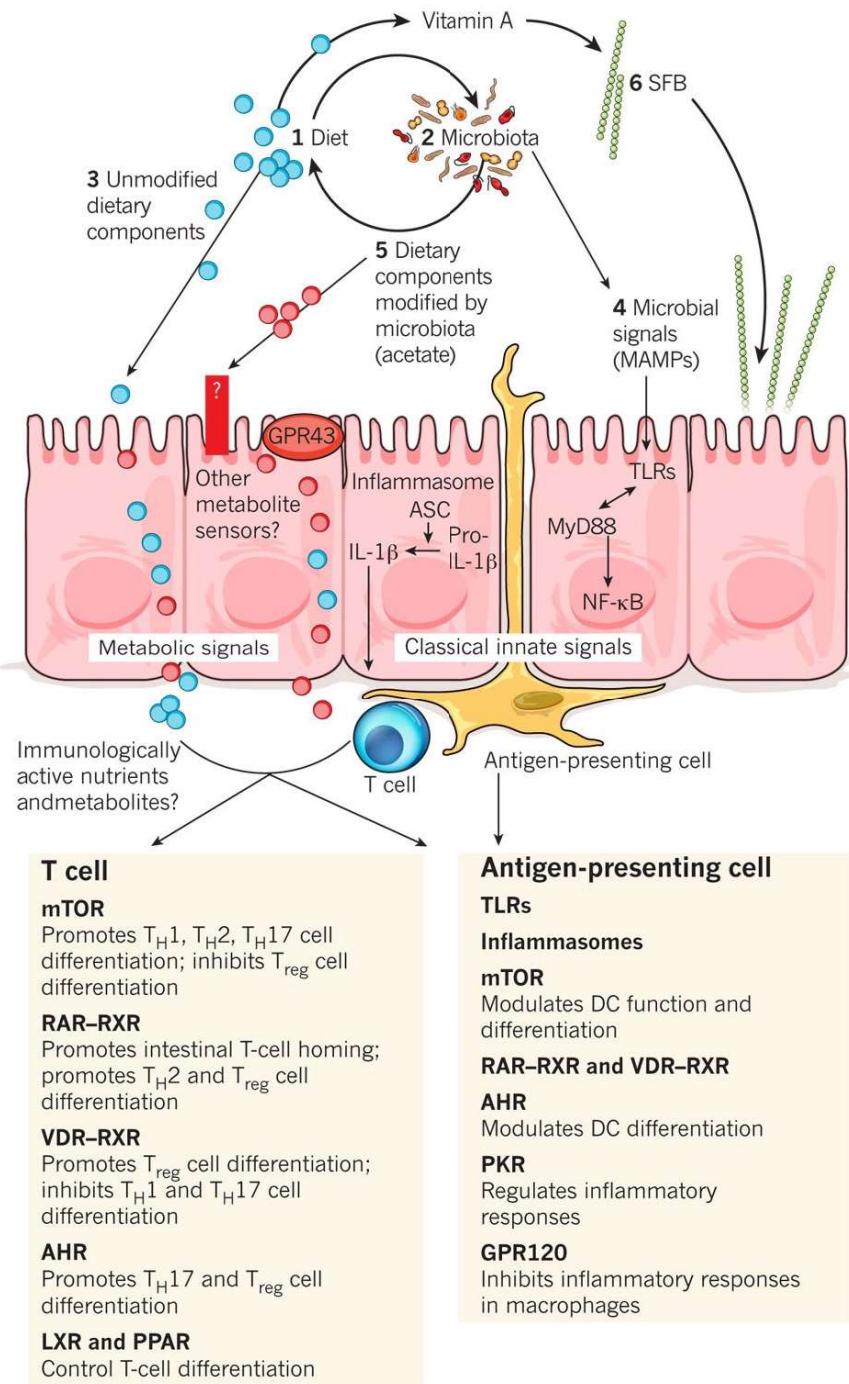
pathogens exploit microbiota to colonize



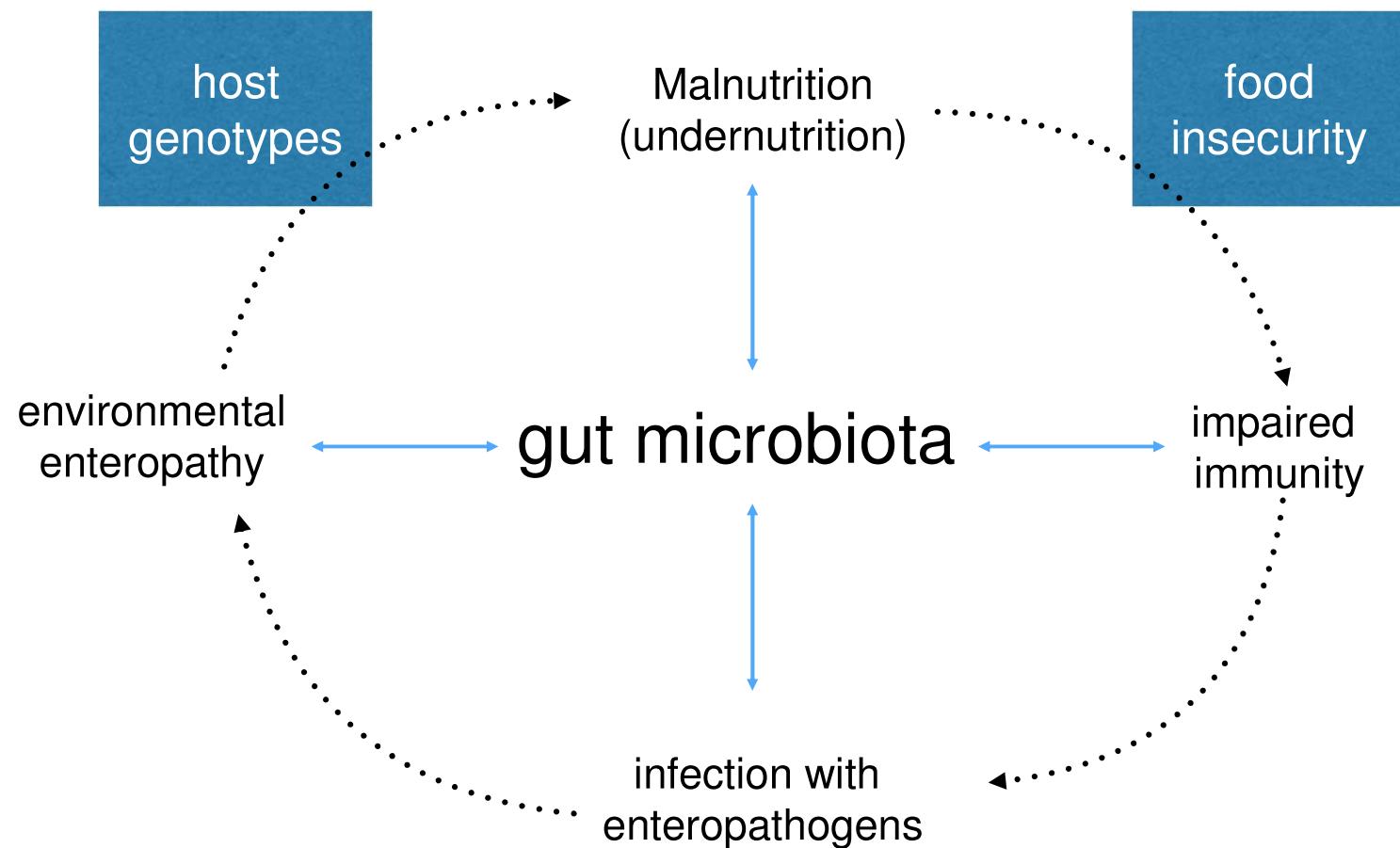
use byproducts of microbiota

- for anaerobic respiration
- as carbon sources
- alternative energy source (H₂)
- to modulate gene expression

nexus of nutrient metabolism and immunity



- nutrients shape microbial community
- microbes alter nutritional value
- MAMPs>modify local immunity
- immune system responds to microbial products

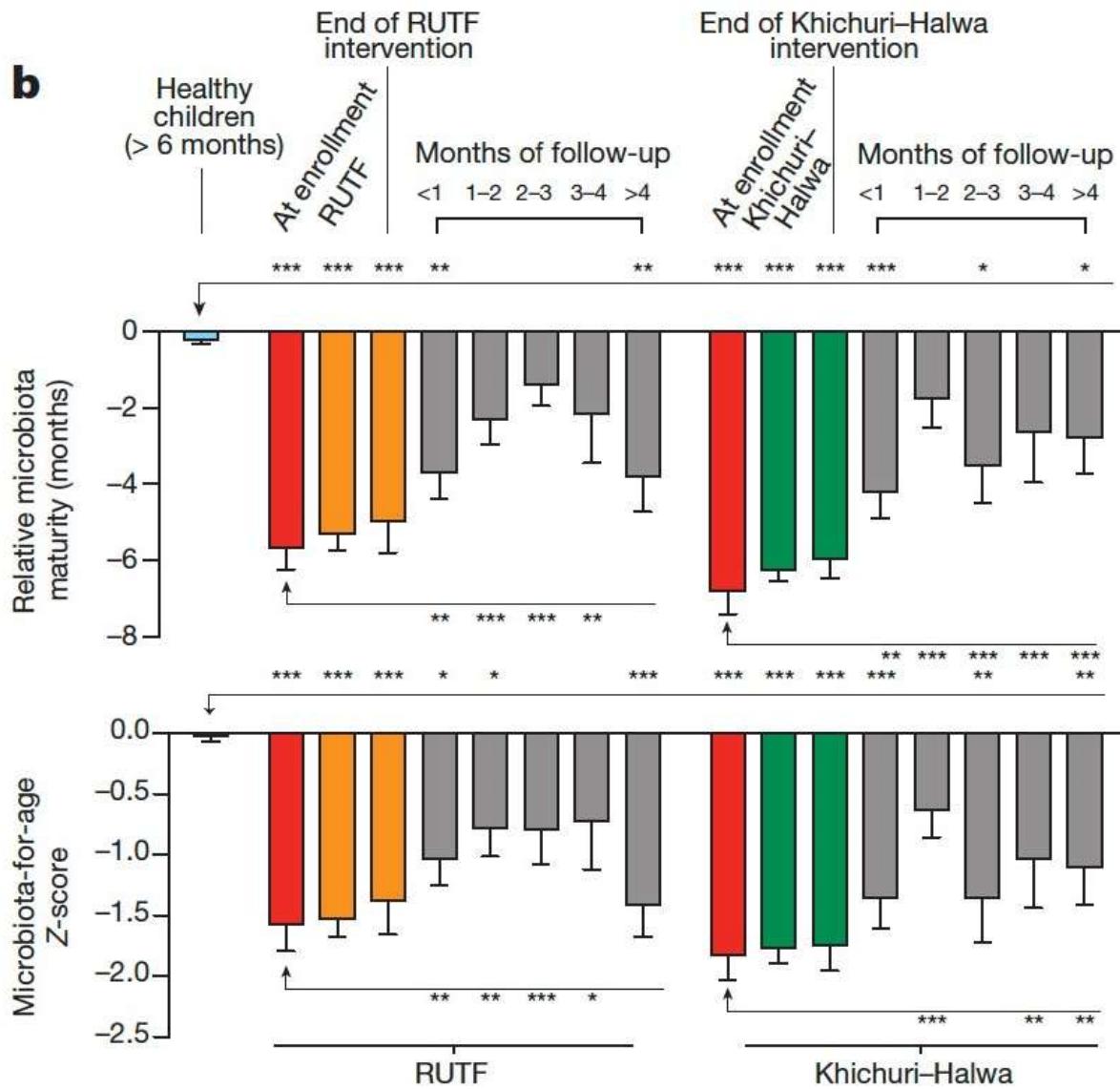


microbiota considerations for vaccines

- nutritional interventions to optimize vaccine efficacy?
 - severe acute malnutrition impacts on microbiota
 - can we optimize nutrient supplementation?

immaturity in gut microbiota persists after nutritional replacement

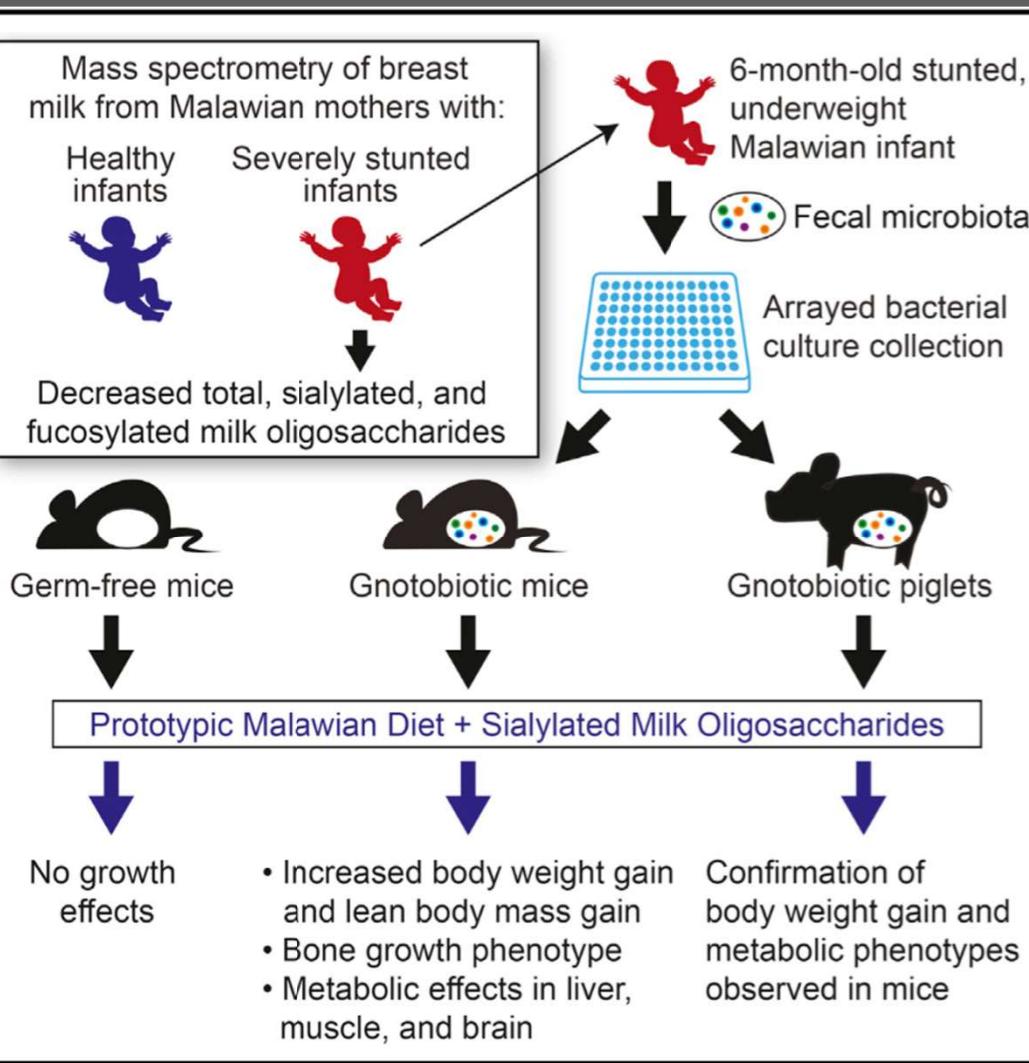
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severe acute malnutrition

- microbiota immaturity
- only partially ameliorated by nutritional interventions

human milk oligosaccharides effects on microbiota

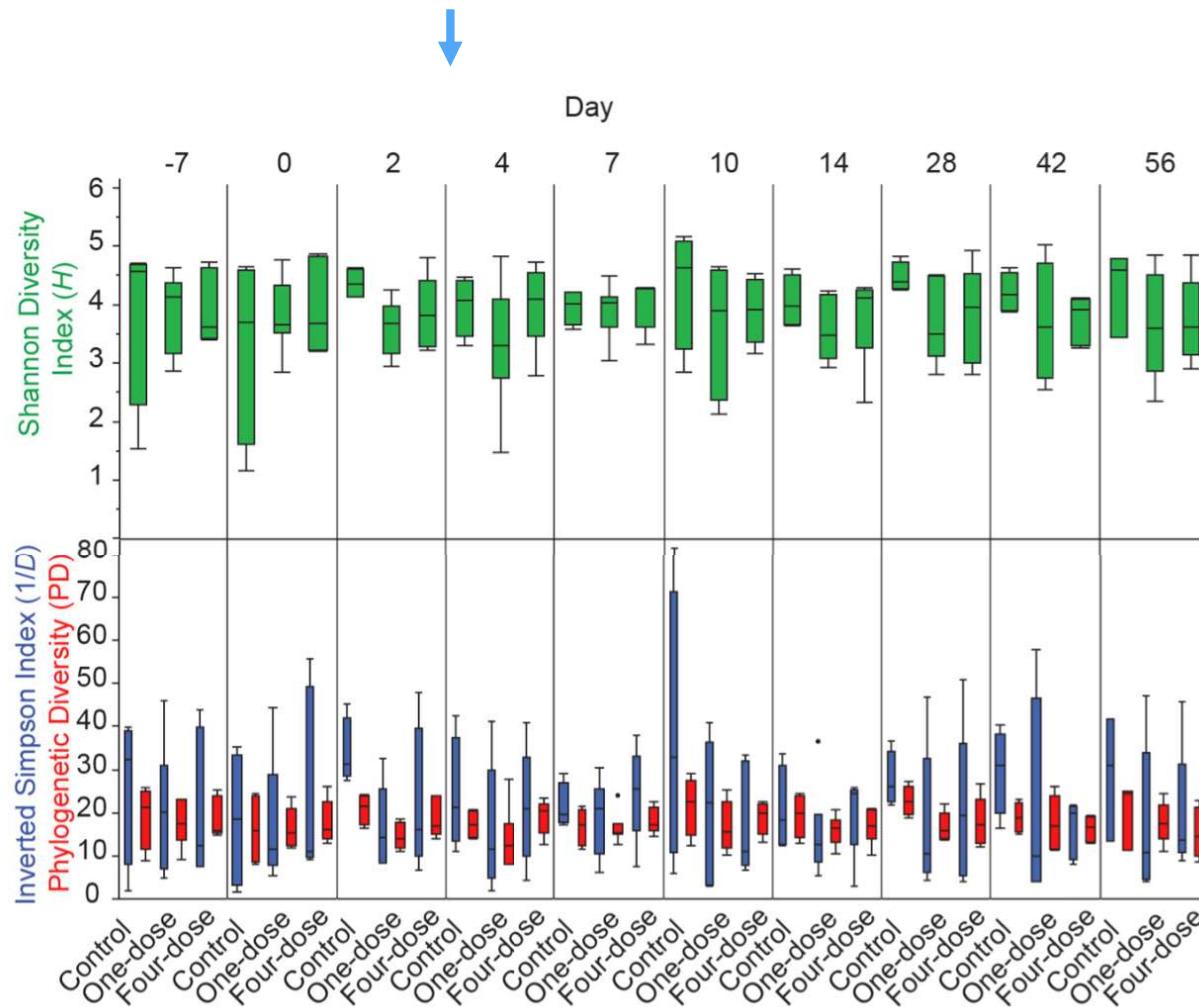


HMOs as prebiotics

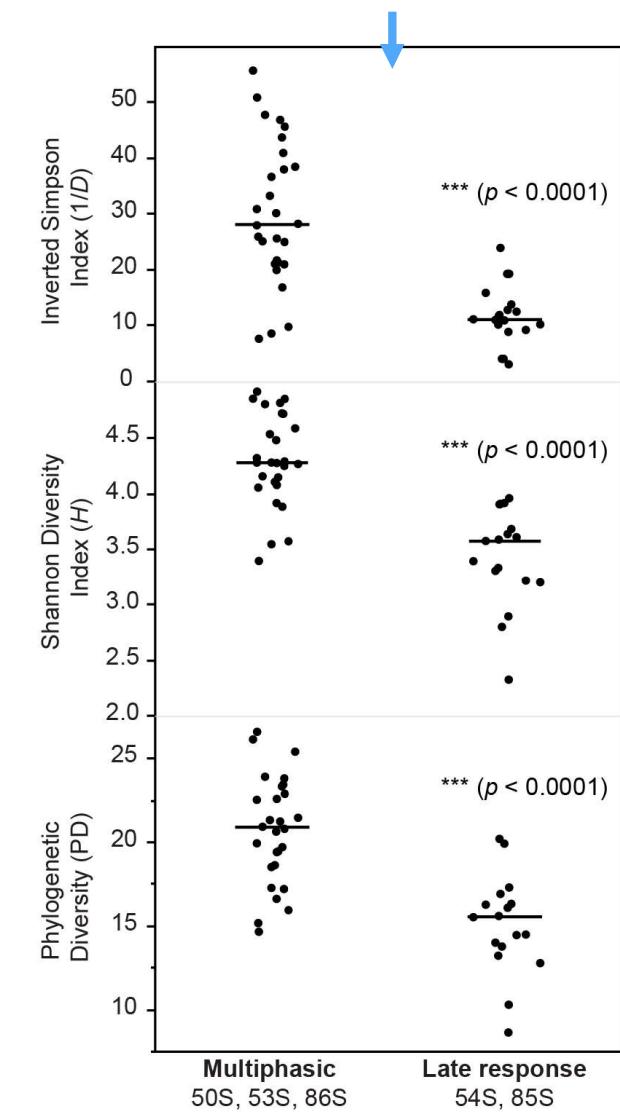
- promote beneficial bacteria
- compete for pathogen binding
- shape microbiota development

Ty21a live-attenuated oral typhoid vaccine

vaccine effects on microbiota

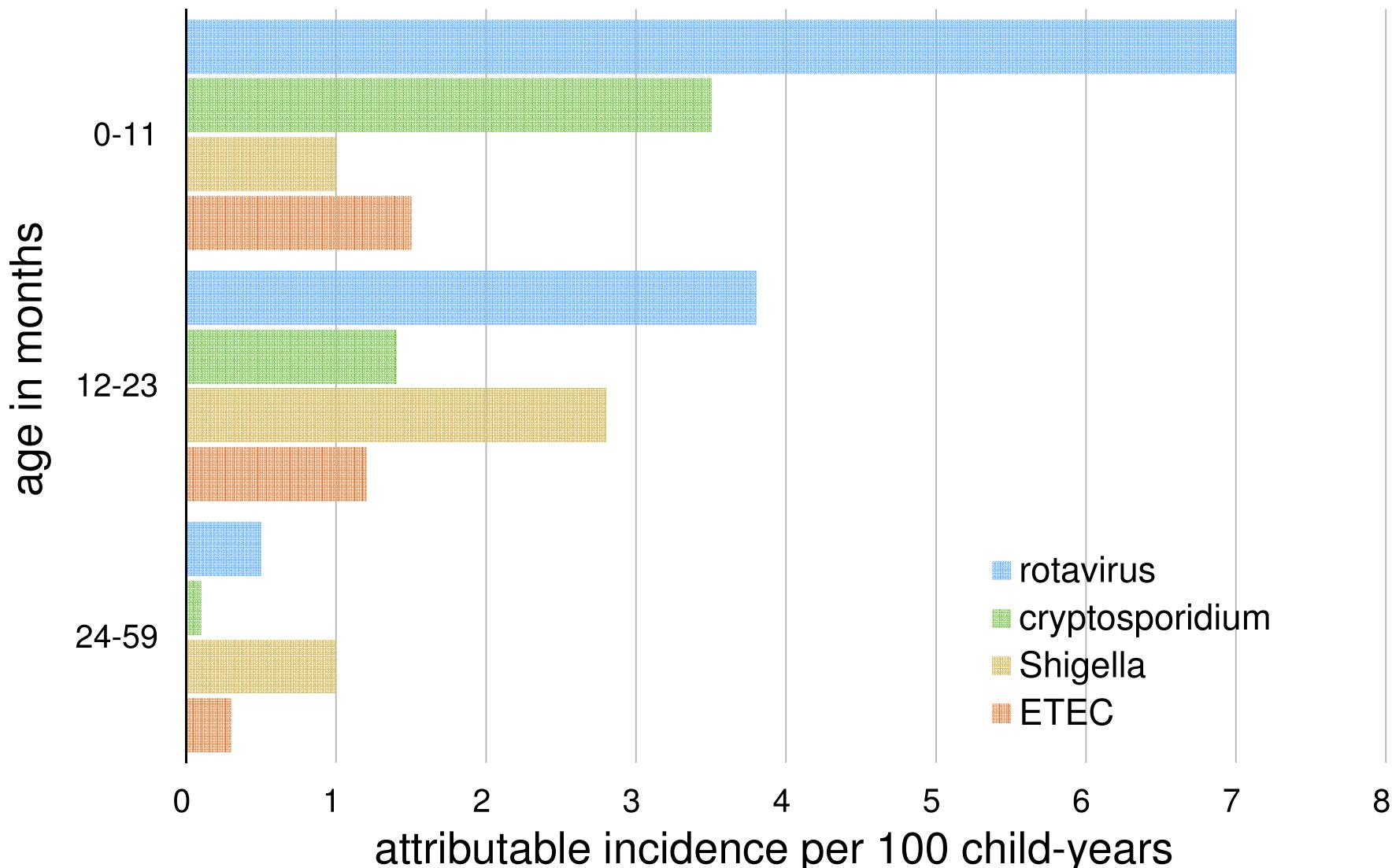


microbiota effects on vaccine



Global Enteric Multicenter Study (GEMS)

ETEC and *Shigella* are predominant bacterial diarrheal pathogens



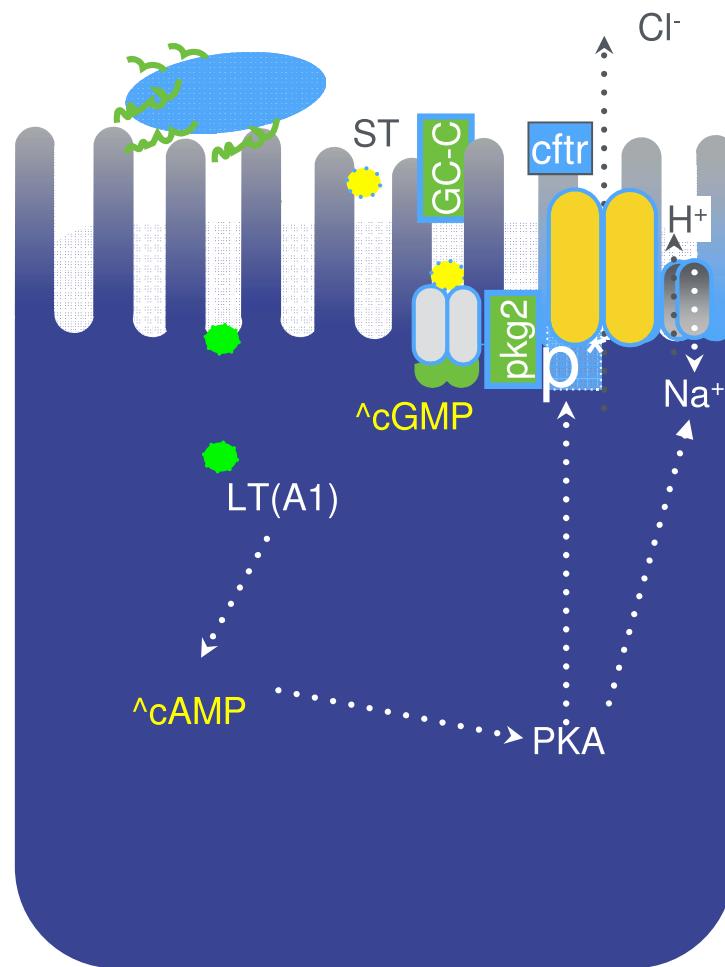


Pathogens associated with
deaths due to diarrhea

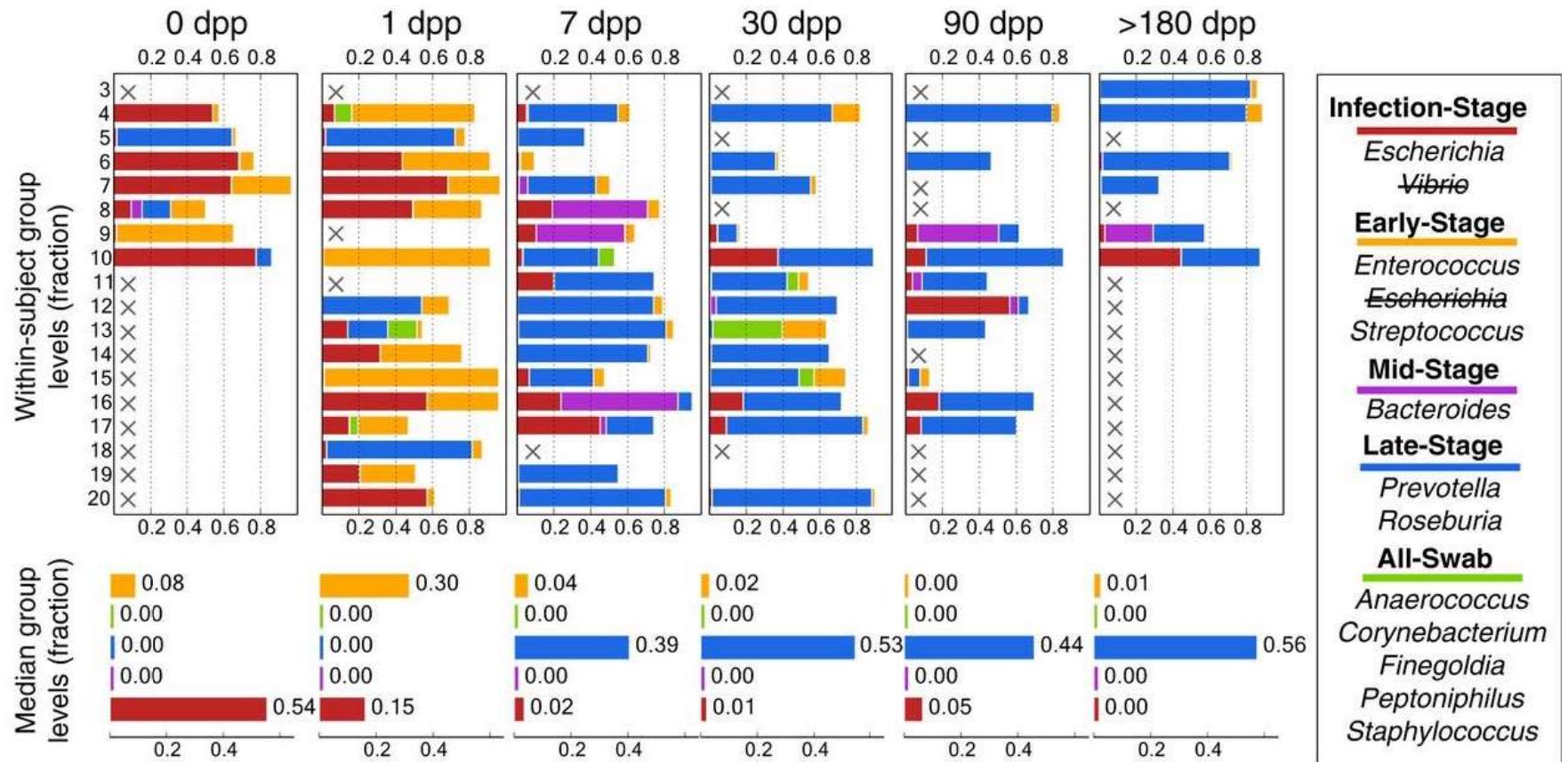
GEMS data

Kotloff et al. Lancet 2013; 382: 209-222

ETEC pathogenesis classical paradigm

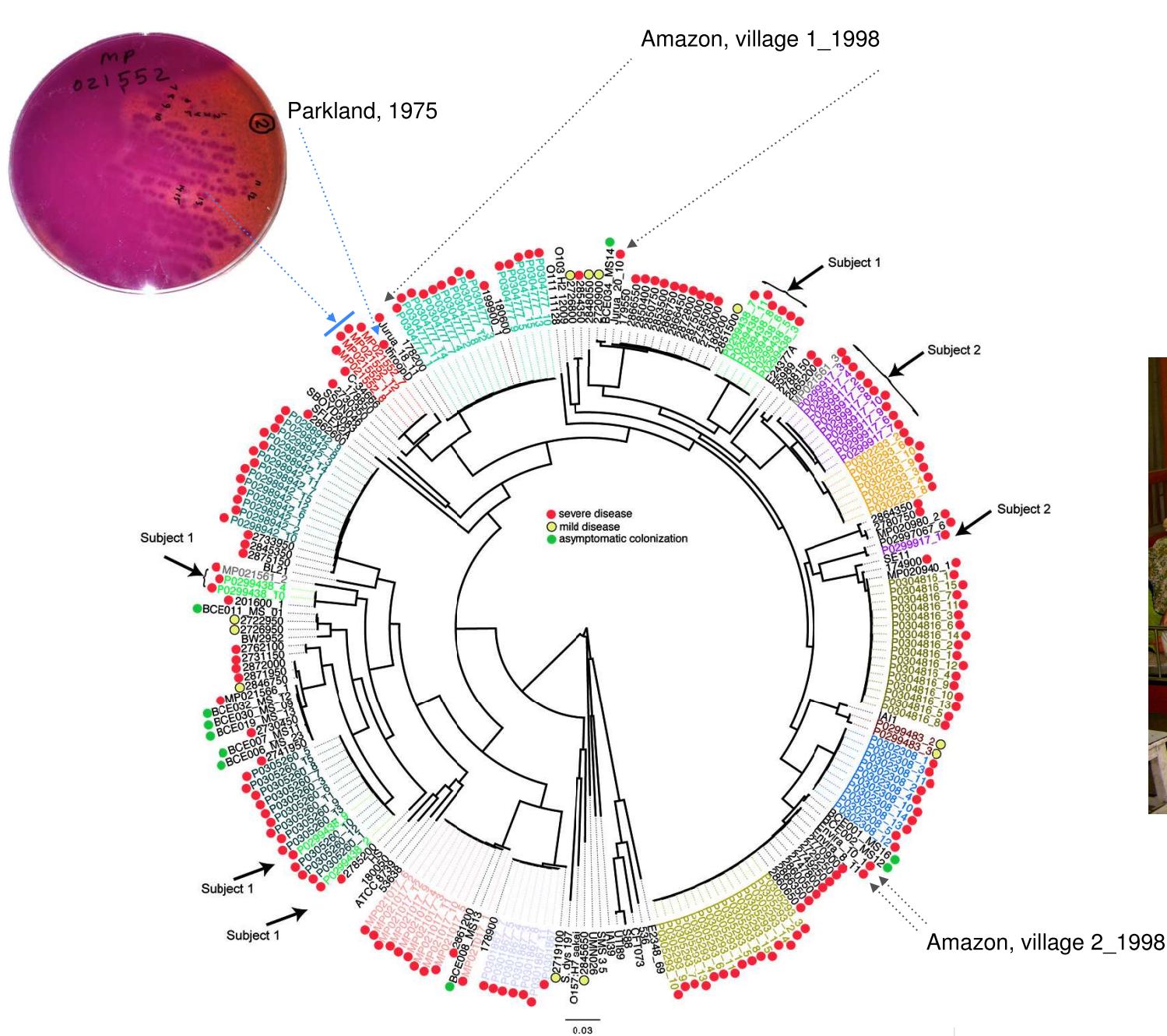


Gut microbial succession after ETEC infection



Lawrence A. David et al. mBio 2015; doi:10.1128/mBio.00381-15

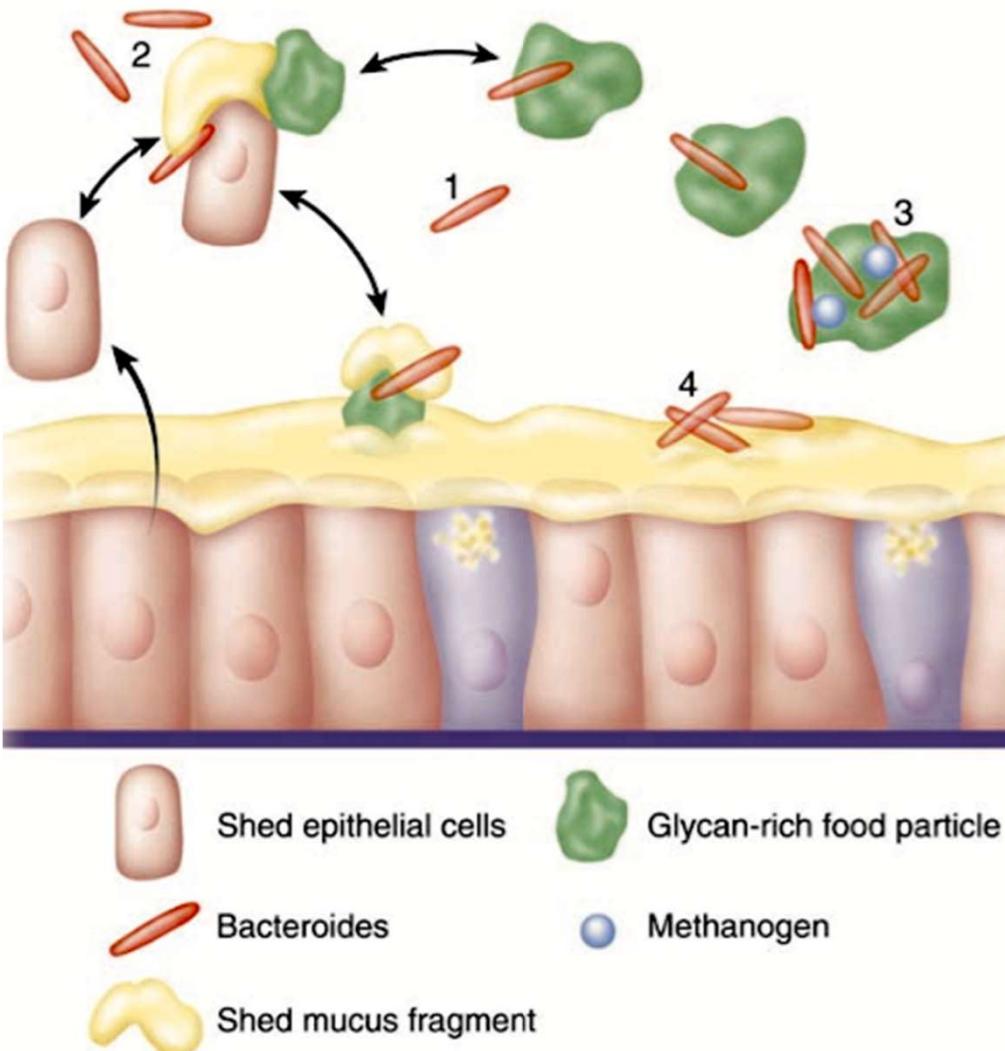




Clonality of ETEC in stool cultures from patients with severe diarrheal illness

mBio 2015

Gut microbiota are “glycophiles”

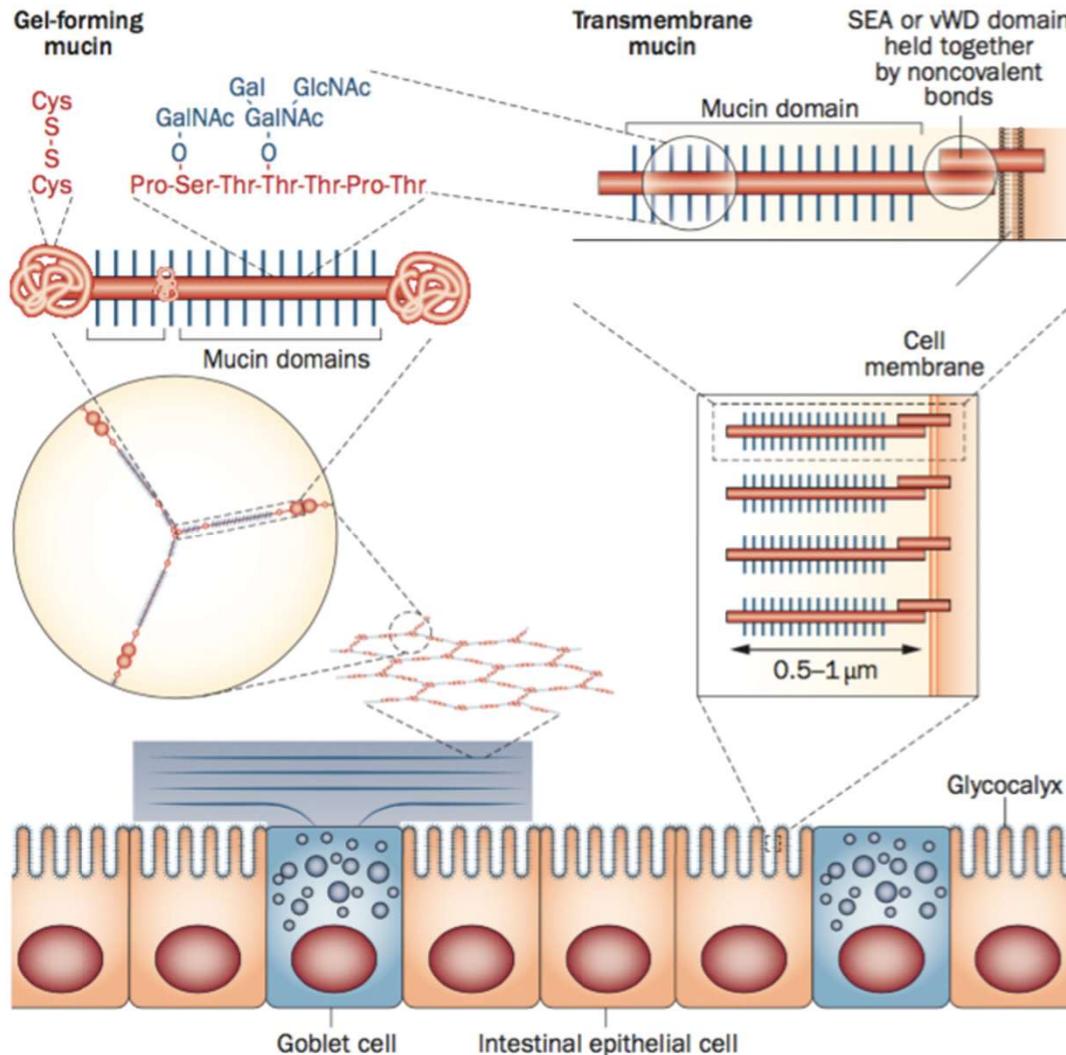


seminal studies on *B. "theta"*

- gut glycans induce OMP lectins, hydrolases
- in absence of exogenous dietary glycans digest mucins

intestinal glycans

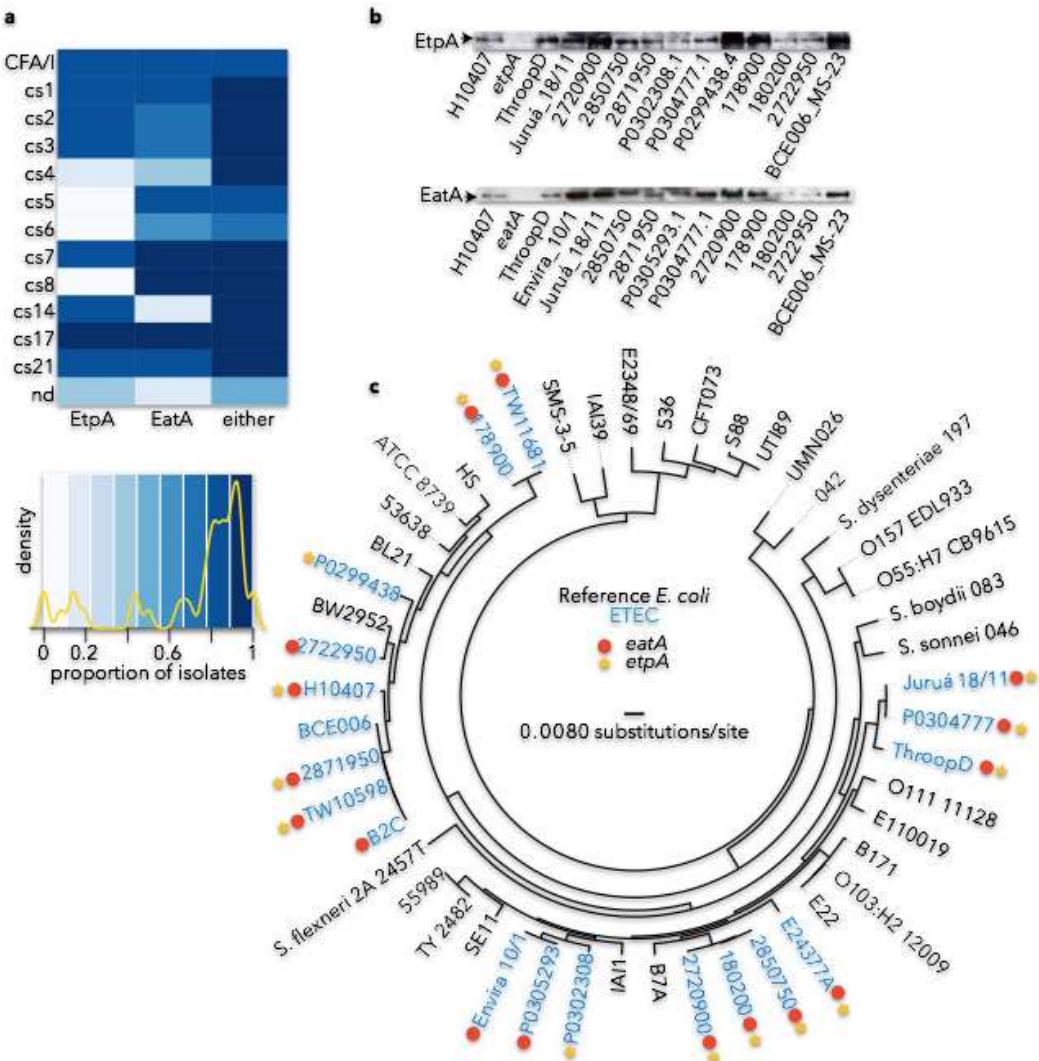
targeting and manipulation by pathogens



ETEC as pathogens must:

- compete with commensals
- traverse protective mucin
- engage the epithelial surface
- deliver toxin payloads

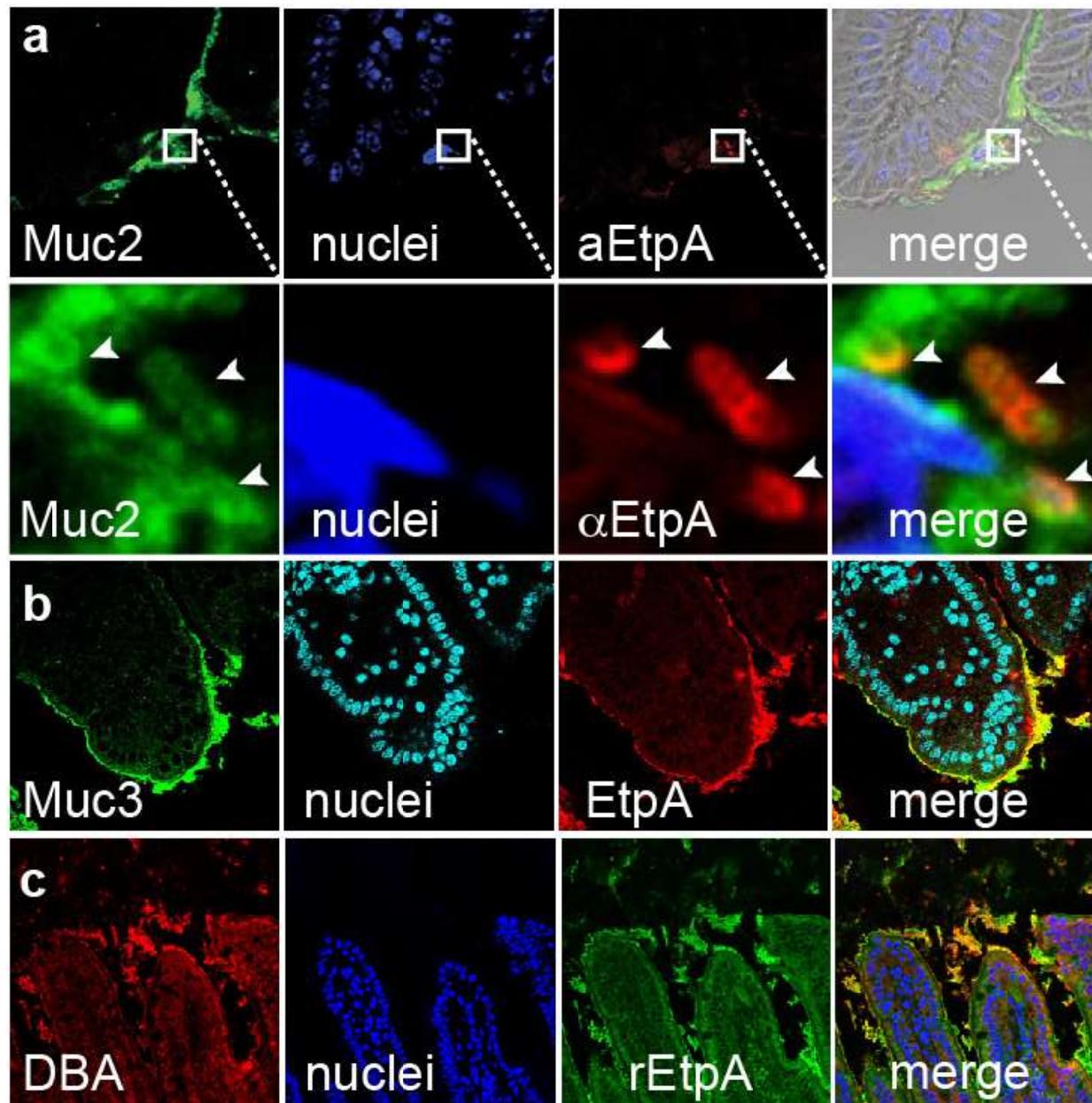
conservation of novel ETEC antigens



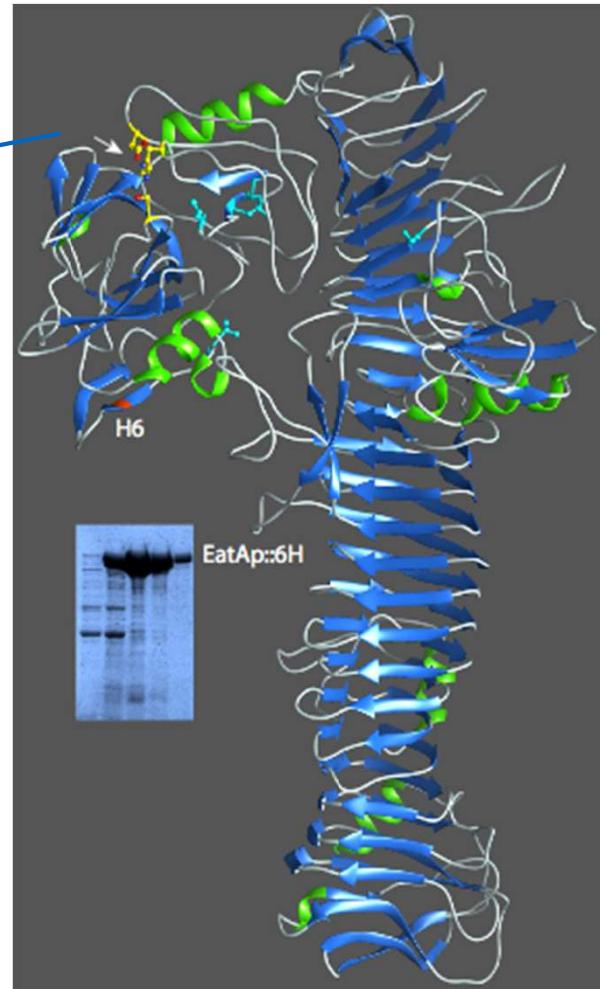
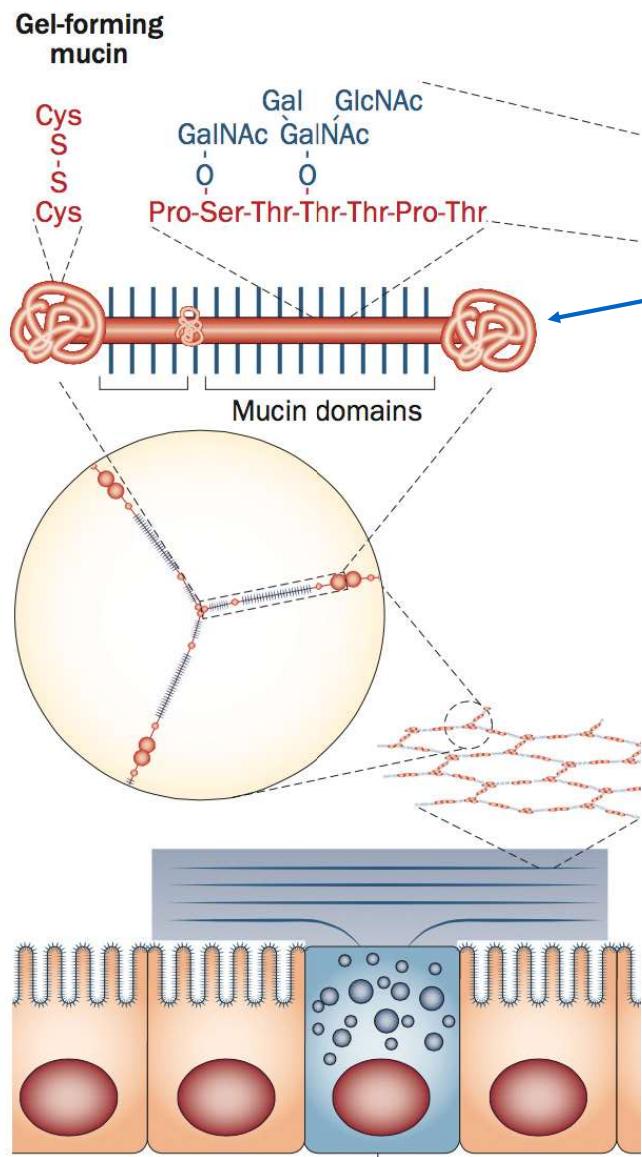
getting a seat at the table

- ETEC secrete highly conserved proteins
- not shared with *E. coli* commensals
- not found in other microbiota

ETEC make a sugar-binding secreted lectin

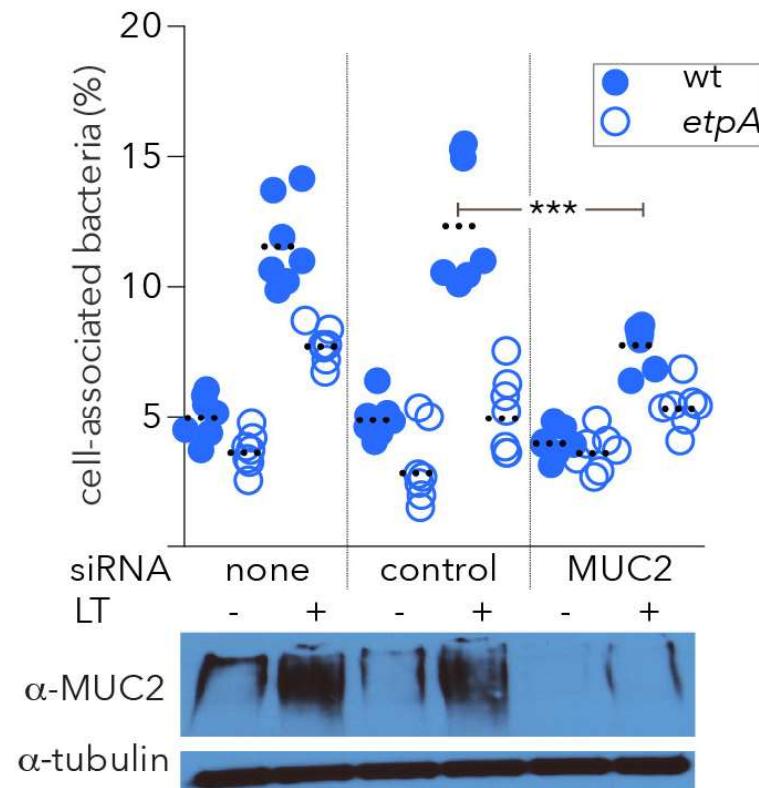
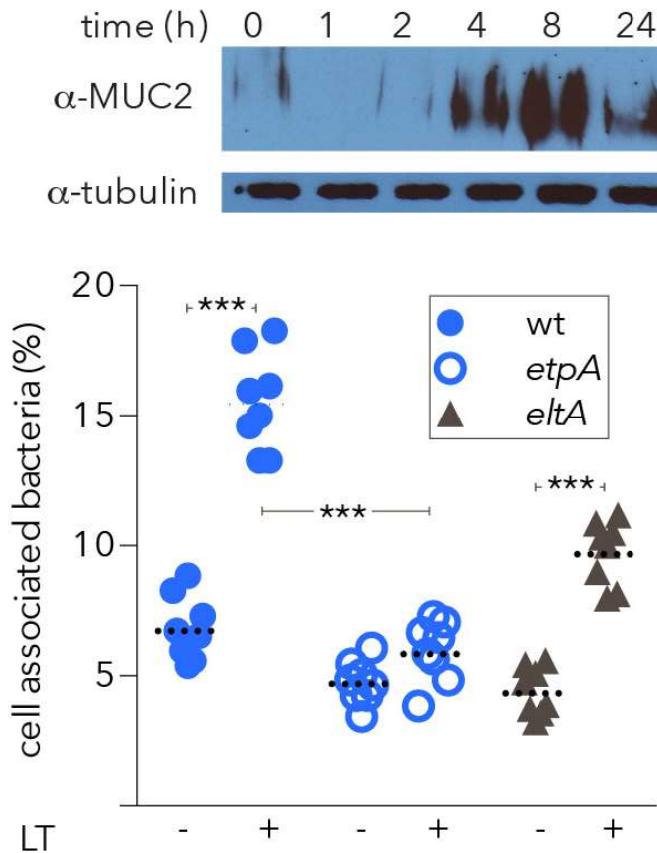


EatA dissolves MUC2 gel matrix



ETEC toxin glycoscaping

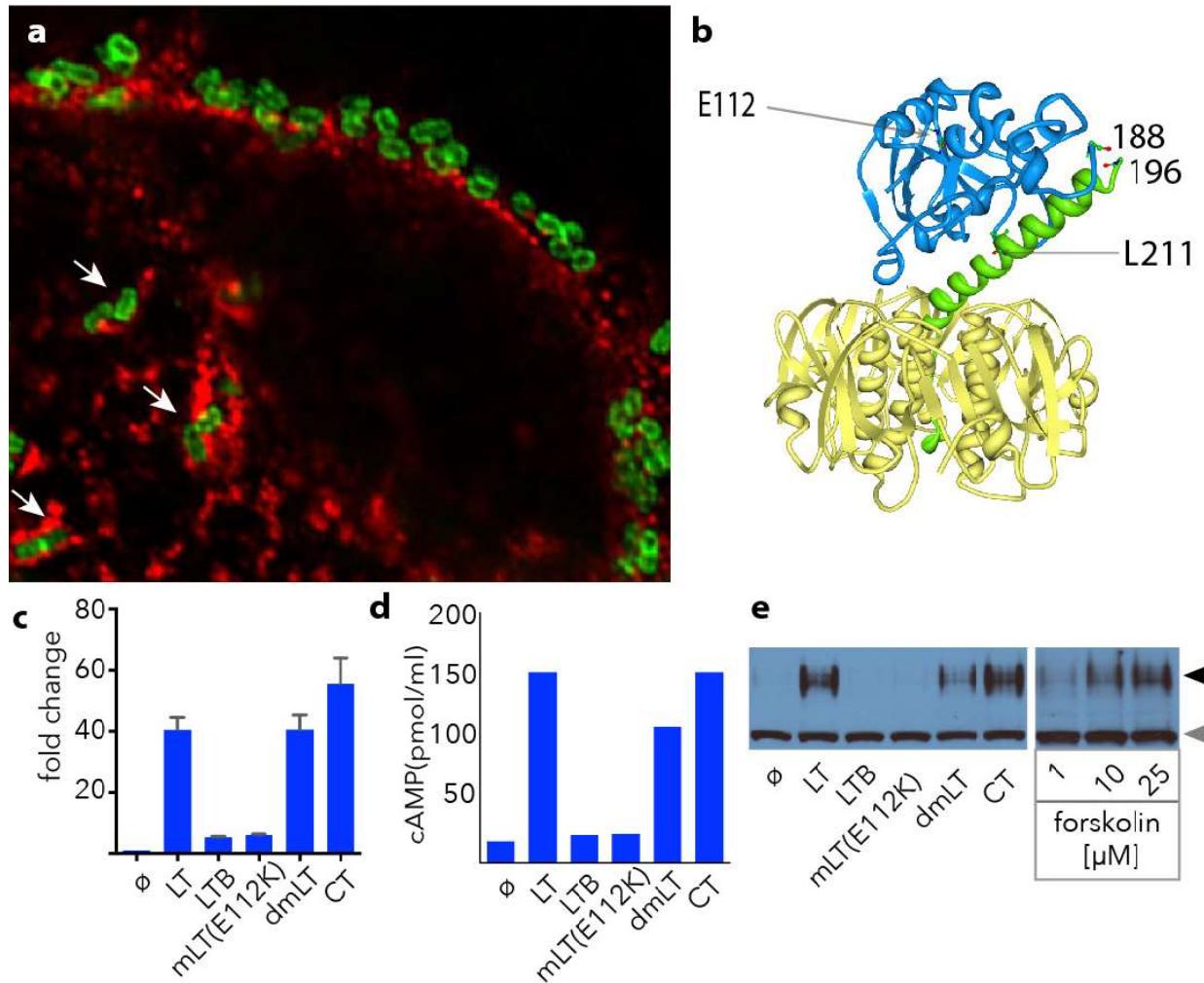
LT induces MUC2 expression and promotes adhesion



ETEC glycoscaping

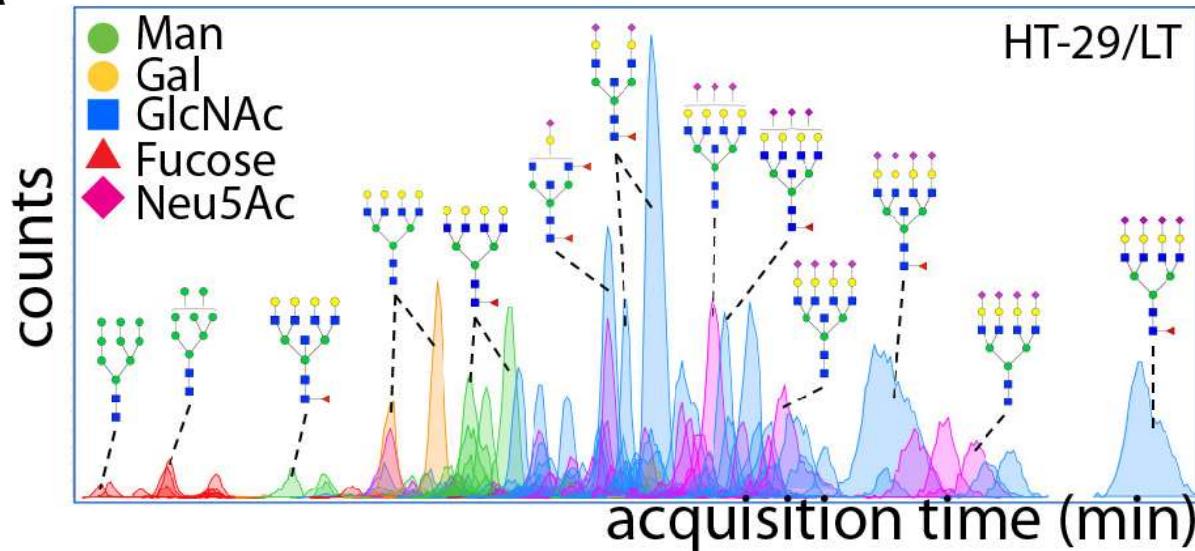
LT modulation of intestinal glycoproteins

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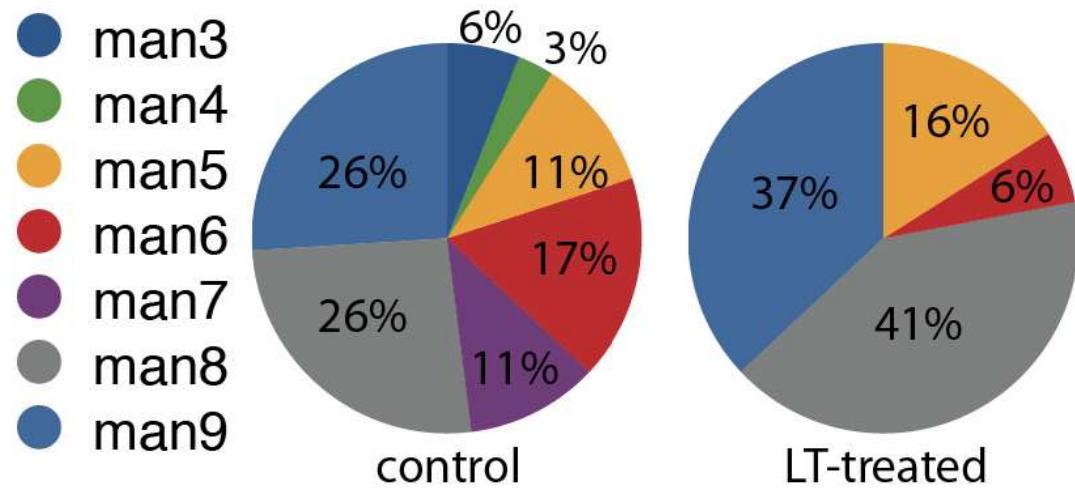


heat-labile toxin changes the glycan landscape of intestinal epithelia

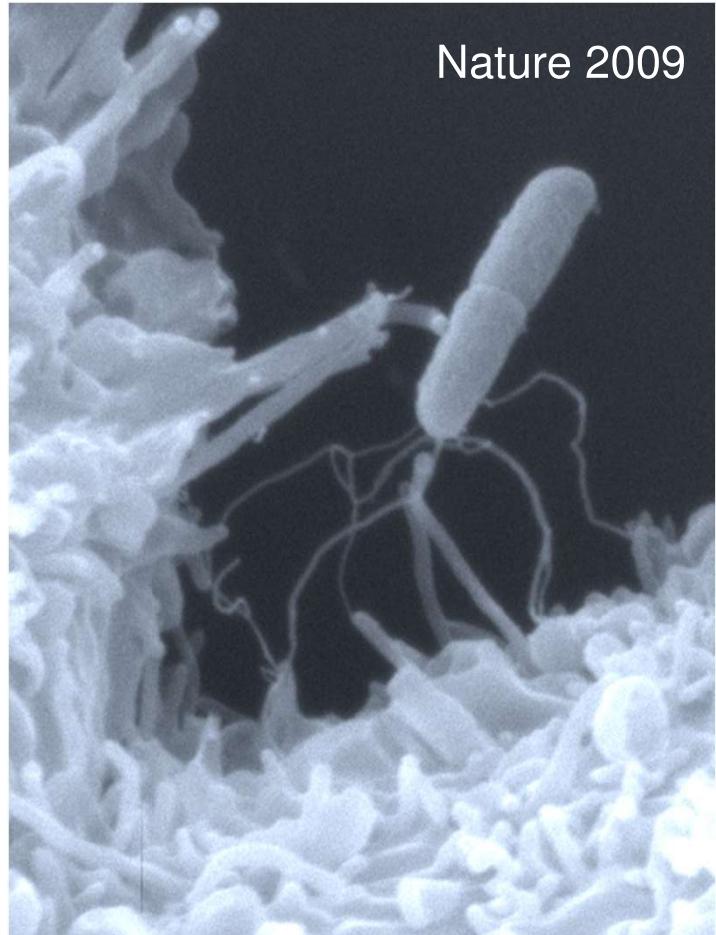
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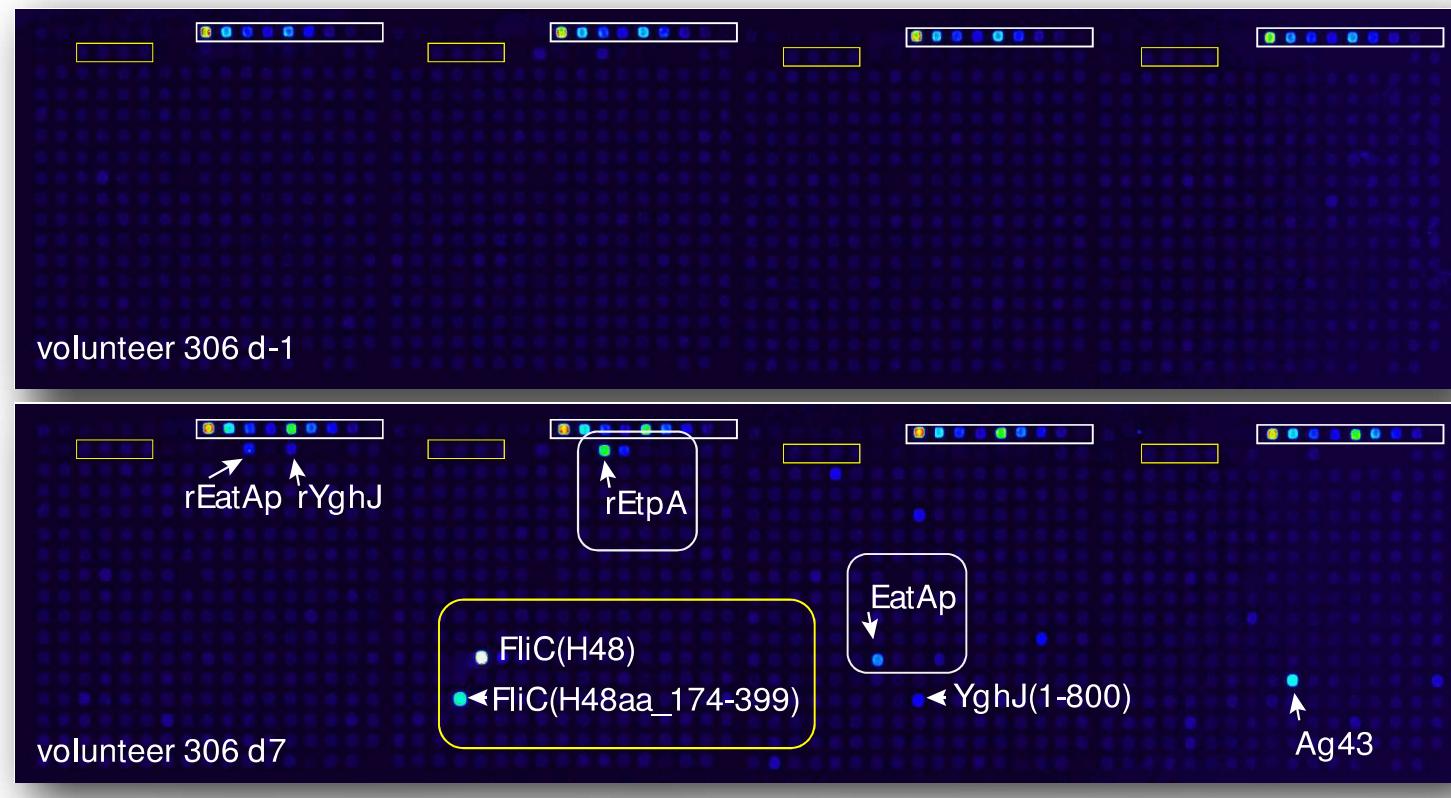


flagellin and ETEC vaccinology

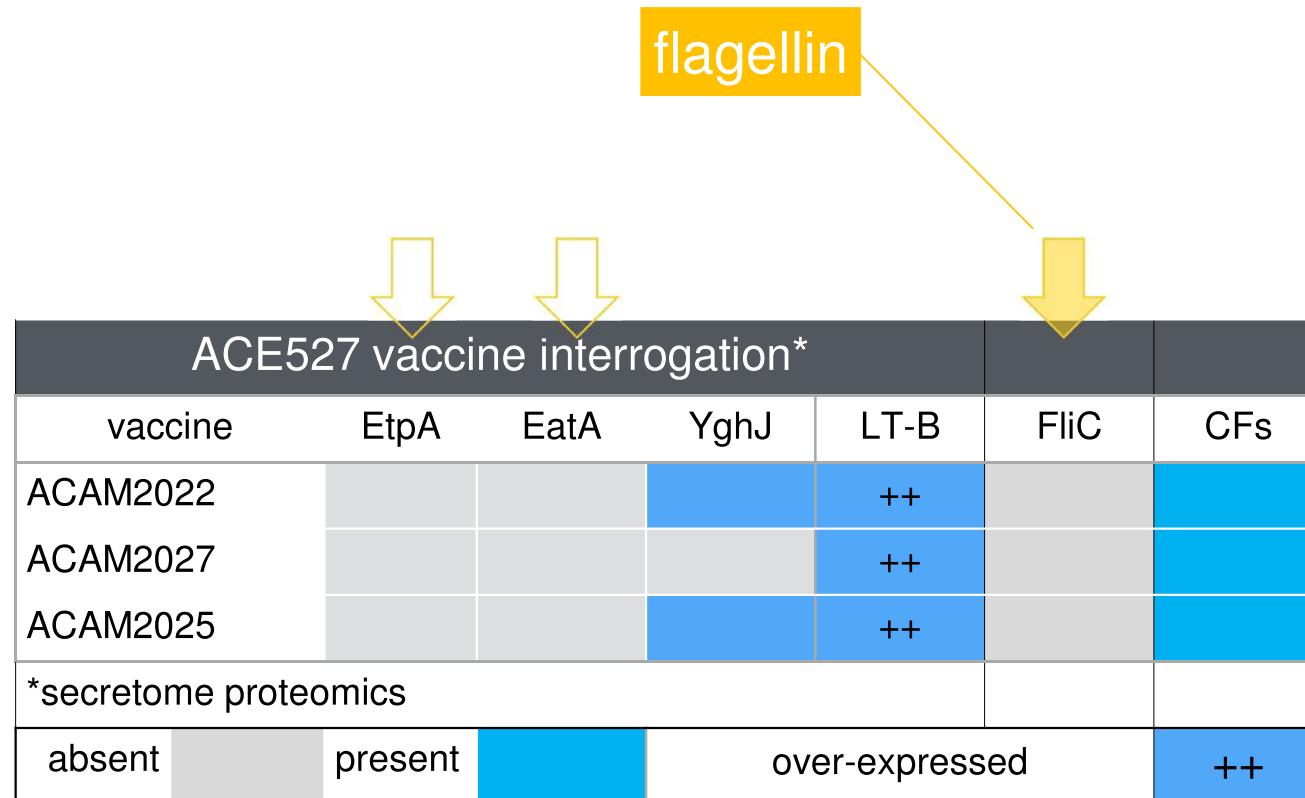


- *all* ETEC are flagellated
 - motility
 - mucin penetration
 - adhesion
- flagellin
 - most abundant secreted antigen
 - highly immunogenic
 - protective
 - TLR5 agonist

ETEC protein microarray studies



Live-attenuated ACE527 vaccine secreted antigen production



intestinal microbiota and enteric vaccines

microbiota

- shape immune responses
- are altered by infection and nutrition
- respond to changes in glycan content
- can impact vaccine efficacy
- are involved in recovery from infection

enterotoxigenic *E. coli* ETEC

- are highly diverse pathogens
- secrete conserved proteins
- engage specific glycans/glycoproteins
- toxin(s) glycoscape to enhance colonization
- virulence factors that impact microbiota can inform novel vaccine strategies

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