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Supplemental information

Gut microbe-derived milnacipran enhances

tolerance to gut ischemia/reperfusion injury

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Supplemental Figure S1. Preoperative fecal MC content in CPB patients is associated with susceptibility to postoperative intestinal injury. Related to Figures 2.

(A-C) The levels of intestinal fatty-acid binding protein (IFABP) (A), citrulline (B) and diamine oxidase (DAO) (C) in patient serum preoperatively (T1), at the end of the operation (T2), and at 6 h after surgery (T3). (D-E) The receiver operating characteristic (ROC) analysis (D) and the area under the ROC curve (AUC) (E) to evaluate the ability of preoperative fecal MC content, plasma IFABP, citrulline, and DAO levels at T3 to distinguish postoperative acute gastrointestinal function injury (AGI \geq 1) in patients with CPB. (A-C) The results are shown as mean \pm SEM, "*" indicates *p*<0.05.



Supplemental Figure S2. Gut microbiota affects susceptibility to enterogenic sepsis induced by intestinal ischemia/reperfusion (I/R). Related to Figures 3.

(A, B) Alpha diversity indices (Simpson) of the control and ABX-treated mouse groups (n = 5). (B) Principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) of the control and ABX-treated mouse groups (n = 5). (C-E) Mouse lung tissue hematoxylin-eosin (HE) staining (C); the pathological damage scores (D) and wet/dry weight ratios (E); the scale bar is 100 µm (n = 8). (F-I) Mouse liver tissue HE staining (F); the pathological damage scores (G) and plasma ALT (H) and AST levels (I); the scale bar is 100 µm (n = 8). (J-L) Mouse kidney tissue HE staining (J); the pathological damage scores (K) and plasma BUN levels (L); the scale bar is 100 µm (n = 8). (M-O) Mouse lung tissue HE staining (M); the pathological damage scores (N) and wet/dry weight ratios (O); the scale bar is 100 µm (n = 8). (P-S) Mouse liver tissue HE staining (P); the pathological damage scores (Q) and plasma ALT (R) and AST levels (R); the scale bar is 100 µm (n = 8). (T-V) Mouse kidney tissue HE staining (T); the pathological damage scores (U) and plasma BUN levels (V); the scale bar is 100 µm (n = 8). The results are expressed as the median and quartile, and are representative of three independent experiments. * p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01, *** p < 0.001 by were determined by Mann Whitney test in (A), and adonis analysis and anosim analysis in (B).

Figure S3



Supplemental Figure S3. Milnacipran attenuates intestinal I/R injury by activating the intestinal epithelial AHR. Related to Figures 4.

(A-B) Immunohistochemical results (A) and relative quantitative analysis (B) of cyplal in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is $100 \ \mu m \ (n = 5)$. (C-D) Immunofluorescence results (C) and relative quantitative analysis (**D**) of Occludin in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is $100 \ \mu m \ (n = 5)$. (E-F) Immunofluorescence results (E) and relative quantitative analysis (F) of ZO-1 in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is 100 μ m (n = 5). (G-H) Immunohistochemical results (G) and relative quantitative analysis (H) of Muc2 in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is $100 \ \mu m (n = 5)$. (I-J) The mRNA levels of the intestinal immune barrier markers Reg3b (I) and Reg3g (J) (n = 8). (K-M) Mouse lung tissue HE staining (K); the pathological damage scores (L) and wet/dry weight ratios (M); the scale bar is 100 μ m (n = 8). (N-Q) Mouse liver tissue HE staining (N); the pathological damage scores (O) and plasma ALT (P) and AST levels (Q); the scale bar is 100 μ m (n = 8). (R-T) Mouse kidney tissue HE staining (**R**); the pathological damage scores (**S**) and plasma BUN levels (**T**); the scale bar is $100 \mu m (n = 8)$. The results are expressed as the median and quartile, and are representative of three independent experiments. *, # and & p < 0.05, **, ## and && p < 0.01, ***, ### and && p < 0.001 were determined by two-way ANOVA and Tukey's post hoc test. "*" indicates p < 0.05 compared with wildtype mouse Sham group; "#" indicates p < 0.05 compared with wild-type mouse I/R group; "&" indicates p < 0.05 compared with wild-type mouse I/R+MC group. I/R + MC group: WT mice or AHR^{flox/flox} mice were injected intraperitoneally with 10 mg/kg MC 1 hour before intestinal I/R.

Figure S4



Supplemental Figure S4. Supplementation with ILC3s restores the protective effect of milnacipran against H/R injury in intestinal organoids. Related to Figures 4.

(A, B) Intestinal organoid viability (A) and lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) levels (B) in culture medium were detected after H/R in intestinal organoids cultured alone (n = 6). (C) Schematic diagram of the coculture system of intestinal organoids and ILC3s. (D) Brightfield images of organoids without or with ILC3s on day 1 (scale bar is 400 µm) and day 5 (scale bar is 50 µm) (n = 6). (E-G) Microscopic tracing of organoids to measure surface area (E), organoid numbers (F) and the percentage of budding organoids (G) on day 5 (n = 6). (H) Hematoxylin-eosin (HE) staining of intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 µm (n = 6). (I) Intestinal organoid viability (n = 6). (J) LDH levels in the medium (n = 6). The results are expressed as the median and quartile, and are representative of three independent experiments. * p < 0.05, ** p < 0.01, *** p < 0.001 were determined by one-way ANOVA and Tukey's post hoc test in A, B, I, J, and Mann Whitney test in E-G.



Supplemental Figure S5. Milnacipran (MC) maintains intestinal organoid barrier homeostasis by activating the intestinal epithelial AHR. Related to Figures 4.

(A) The mRNA levels of cyp1a1 in intestinal organoids (n = 6). (B-C) Immunofluorescence (B) and relative quantitative analysis (C) of cyp1a1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 µm (n = 5). (D) The mRNA levels of Occludin in intestinal organoids (n = 6). (E-F) Immunofluorescence (E) and relative quantitative analysis (F) of Occludin in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 µm (n = 5). (G) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids (n = 6). (H-I) Immunofluorescence (H) and relative quantitative analysis (I) of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 µm (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of Muc2 in intestinal organoids (n = 6). (K-L) Immunofluorescence (K) and relative quantitative analysis (L) of Muc2 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 µm (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of Reg3b (M) and Reg3g (N) (n = 6). The results are expressed as the median and quartile, and are representative of three independent experiments. *, # and & p < 0.05, **, ## and && p < 0.01, ***, ### and &&& p < 0.001 were determined by two-way ANOVA and Tukey's post hoc test. "*" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse NC group; "#" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse H/R group; "&" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse H/R HC group. H/R + MC group: 10 µmol/L MC was added to intestinal organoids 1 h before H/R.



Supplemental Figure S6. AHR activator Ficz attenuates intestinal I/R injury in mice by releasing IL-22. Related to Figures 6.

(A-B) Immunohistochemical results (A) and relative quantitative analysis (B) of cyplal in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is 100 μ m (n = 5). (C-D) Immunohistochemical results (C) and relative quantitative analysis (**D**) of IL-22 in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is $100 \ \mu m (n = 5)$. (E-F) Immunofluorescence results (E) and relative quantitative analysis (F) of Occludin in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is 100 μ m (n = 5). (G-H) Immunofluorescence results (G) and relative quantitative analysis (H) of ZO-1 in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is $100 \mu m$ (n = 5). (I-J) Immunohistochemical results (I) and relative quantitative analysis (J) of Muc2 in intestinal tissue; the scale bar is 100 μ m (n = 5). (K-M) Mouse lung tissue hematoxylin-eosin (HE) staining (K); the pathological damage scores (L) and wet/dry weight ratios (M); the scale bar is 100 μ m (n = 8). (N-O) Mouse liver tissue HE staining (N); the pathological damage scores (O) and plasma ALT (P) and AST levels (Q); the scale bar is 100 μm (n = 8). (R-T) Mouse kidney tissue HE staining (R); the pathological damage scores (S) and plasma BUN levels (T); the scale bar is $100 \mu m (n = 8)$. (U) LC–MS/MS-targeted detection of the MC content in the feces. The results are expressed as the median and quartile, and are representative of three independent experiments. *, # and & p < 0.05, **, ## and && p < 0.01, ***, ### and &&& p < 0.01, ***, ### 0.001 by were determined were determined by two-way ANOVA and Tukey's post hoc test. "*" indicates p < 0.05 compared with wild-type mouse Sham group; "#" indicates p < 0.05 compared with wild-type mouse I/R group; "&" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse I/R+Ficz group. I/R + Ficz group: mice were treated with daily intraperitoneal injection of 50 µg/kg Ficz for 7 consecutive days prior to induction of intestinal I/R.



Supplemental Figure S7. AHR activator Ficz maintains intestinal organoid barrier homeostasis by releasing IL-22. Related to Figures 6.

(A) The mRNA levels of cyp1a1 in intestinal organoids (n = 6). (B-C) Immunofluorescence (B) and relative quantitative analysis (C) of cyp1a1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (D) The IL-22 levels in the medium (n = 6). (E-F) Immunofluorescence (E) and relative quantitative analysis (F) of Occludin in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (G) The mRNA levels of Occludin in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (G) The mRNA levels of Occludin in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (J) The mRNA levels of ZO-1 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (M) The mRNA levels of Muc2 in intestinal organoids; the scale bar is 20 μ m (n = 5). (M) The mRNA levels of Muc2 in intestinal organoids (n = 6). (N-O) The mRNA levels of Reg3b (N) and Reg3g (O) (n = 6). The results are expressed as the median and quartile, and are representative of three independent experiments. *, # and & p < 0.05, **, ## and & p < 0.01, ***, ### and & p < 0.001 were determined by two-way ANOVA and Tukey's post hoc test. "*" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse H/R group; "&" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse H/R group; "&" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse H/R group; "&" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse H/R group; "&" indicates p<0.05 compared with wild-type mouse H/R error was added to ILC3s and the intestinal organoid coculture system 1 hour before H/R.

Parameter	NAGI group (n=25)	AGI group (n=31)	Р
Age (years)	56.0 (45.0~62.0)	57.00 (49.5~63.5)	0.4839
Females (n)	15	19	>0.9999
BMI (Kg/m ²)	23.56 (16-33.78)	24.09 (18.75-26.78)	0.5859
Duration hospitalization	10.0(17.0.25.0)	19.0 (14.0-27.0)	0.565
(days)	19.0 (17.0-25.0)		
Duration anesthesia	25(0(2400,4220)	305.3 (280.0-362.5)	0.3253
(minutes)	550.0 (540.0-422.0)		
Duration surgery (minutes)	260.0 (225.0-297.0)	254.0 (237.0-324.5)	0.3176
Duration CPB (minutes)	132.0 (103.0-169.0)	112.0 (93.0-165.5)	0.5377
Bleeding volume (ml)	300 (300-400)	300 (300-400)	1
The time from the end of			
surgery to the first meal	24.10 (22.45-28.50)	30.71 (28.63-41.45)	< 0.001
(hours)			
ICU care duration (hours)	48.56 (44.25-63.20)	85.95 (75.65-92.00)	< 0.001
Preoperative MC content in	241 11 (21 69 201 25)	25.32 (17.19-48.33)	< 0.001
feces (ng/kg)	241.11 (31.08-281.23)		

Supplemental Table S1. The characteristics of patients with cardiopulmonary bypass (CPB). Related to Figures 2.

Gene	Forward primer (5'–3')	Reverse primer (5'–3')
18S	CGATCCGAGGGCCTCACTA	AGTCCCTGCCCTTTGTACACA
ZO-1	AGAGACAAGATGTCCGCCAG	TGCAATTCCAAATCCAAACC
Occludin	CATTTATGATGAACAGCCCC	GGACTGTCAACTCTTTCCGC
Ki67	ATCATTGACCGCTCCTTTAGGT	GCTCGCCTTGATGGTTCCT
Lgr5	CCTACTCGAAGACTTACCCAGT	GCATTGGGGTGAATGATAGCA
Cyplal	CAATGAGTTTGGGGGAGGTTACTG	CCCTTCTCAAATGTCCTGTAGTG
Reg3b	ACTCCCTGAAGAATATACCCTCC	CGCTATTGAGCACAGATACGAG
Reg3g	ATGCTTCCCCGTATAACCATCA	GGCCATATCTGCATCATACCAG
IL-22	GCTGCCTGCTTCTCATTGC	AAGGTGCGGTTGACGATGTA
Muc2	GGTGACACTGACGCTGGTTT	ACTGGTGAACACCGCGATAATA
16S	GTGSTGCAYGGYTGTCGTCA	ACGTCRTCCMCACCTTCCTC
Wnt3	TGGAACTGTACCACCATAGATGAC	ACACCAGCCGAGGCGATG
Notch1	GATGGCCTCAATGGGTACAAG	TCGTTGTTGTTGATGTCACAGT

Supplemental Table S2. The quantitative RT-PCR primer sequence. Related to STAR Methods section