

**Supplemental information**

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**Supplementary Table 1.** Descriptive characteristics of participants

	TwinsUK (n = 2,382)		ZOE PREDICT-1 (n = 327)		Omega-3 Study (n = 65)		BARIA (n = 116)			
	n	%	n	%	n	%	Pre-surgery (n = 116)		Post-surgery (n = 71)	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
<b>Females</b>	2,037	85.5	327	100	61	93.9	91	78.5	68	95.8
<b>Type-2 diabetes</b>	67	2.8	0	0	0	0	26	28.6	19	26.8
	<i>mean</i>	<i>sd</i>	<i>mean</i>	<i>sd</i>	<i>mean</i>	<i>sd</i>	<i>mean</i>	<i>sd</i>	<i>Mean</i>	<i>sd</i>
<b>Age, years</b>	58.9	14.6	53.8	7.0	65.9	9.4	46.0	10.3	47	9.6
<b>BMI, kg/m<sup>2</sup></b>	26.0	5.0	26.3	5.6	26.5	4.4	39.6	4.5	26.0	2.9
<b>Fasting</b>										
<b>Triglycerides</b>	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.57			1.3	0.7		
<b>GlycA</b>			1.35	0.19						
<b>Postprandial</b>										
<b>Triglycerides</b>			2.33	1.2			1.5	0.7		
<b>GlycA</b>			1.4	0.3						
<b>Dietary indices</b>										
<b>HEI</b>	61.8	9.9	57.1	9.4						

*aMED* 4.8 1.9 4.5 1.8

*oPDI* 56.1 5.6 53.3 6.1

*hPDI* 58.5 6.7 58.9 6.2

*uPDI* 58.9 7.0 59.4 6.2

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**Supplementary Table 2.** Bile acids detected in >80% of the serum and stool samples.

<b>Bile acid</b>	<b>Pathway</b>	<b>Serum</b>	<b>Stool</b>
<b>Cholate</b>	Primary	Yes	Yes
<b>Glycocholate</b>	Primary	Yes	Yes
<b>Glycochenodeoxycholate</b>	Primary	Yes	Yes
<b>Taurocholate</b>	Primary	Yes	No
<b>Glyco-beta-muricholate</b>	Primary	Yes	No
<b>Glycochenodeoxycholate 3-sulfate</b>	Primary	Yes	No
<b>Glycochenodeoxycholate glucuronid</b>	Primary	Yes	No
<b>Taurochenodeoxycholate</b>	Primary	Yes	No
<b>Isoursodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	Yes	Yes
<b>Deoxycholic acid 12 sulfate</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Deoxycholic acid glucuronide</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Glycochenolate sulfate</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Glycodeoxycholate 3 sulfate</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Glycolithocholate sulfate</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Glycoursodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Glycoursodeoxycholicacid sulfate 1</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Lithocholatesulfate1</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Taurocholatesulfate</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Taurolithocholate 3 sulfate</b>	Secondary	Yes	No
<b>Dehydrodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Dehydrolithocholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Deoxycholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Glycodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Hyochoolate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Isohyodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Ketodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Ketolithocholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Lithocholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Oxolithocholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes
<b>Ursocholate</b>	Secondary	No	Yes

**Supplementary Table 3.** Bile acids correlations with the gut microbiome

	TwinsUK								ZOE PREDICT-1							
	Serum				Stool				Serum				Stool			
<b>Bile acid</b>	<b>AUC (%)</b>	<b>95% CI</b>	<b>Rho</b>	<b>95% CI</b>	<b>AUC (%)</b>	<b>95% CI</b>	<b>Rho</b>	<b>95% CI</b>	<b>AUC (%)</b>	<b>95% CI</b>	<b>Rho</b>	<b>95% CI</b>	<b>AUC (%)</b>	<b>95% CI</b>	<b>Rho</b>	<b>95% CI</b>
<b>Cholate</b>	80.7	80.5, 80.9	0.42	0.42, 0.42	83.4	83.3, 83.5	0.48	0.48, 0.48	80.9	79.8, 82.0	0.43	0.42, 0.44	84.1	83.1, 85.2	0.46	0.45, 0.47
<b>glycocholate</b>	49.2	48.6, 49.8	0.06	0.06, 0.06	72.9	72.5, 73.4	0.35	0.35, 0.35	56.9	55.5, 58.3	0.04	0.03, 0.05	80.7	79.6, 81.9	0.40	0.39, 0.41
<b>glycochenodeoxycholate</b>	60.3	59.9, 60.6	0.12	0.12, 0.12	75.2	74.7, 75.6	0.37	0.37, 0.37	63.1	61.9, 64.4	0.23	0.22, 0.24	79.2	79.6, 80.4	0.42	0.41, 0.43
<b>isoursodeoxycholate</b>	75.4	75.0, 75.8	0.39	0.39, 0.39	85.2	84.8, 85.6	0.51	0.50, 0.52	85.0	84.4, 86.0	0.47	0.45, 0.49	87.3	87.3, 87.8	0.48	0.47, 0.49
<b>deoxycholic acid 12-sulfate</b>	69.3	68.8, 69.9	0.27	0.27, 0.27					79.4	78.7, 80.2	0.43	0.42, 0.44				
<b>deoxycholic acid glucuronide</b>	68.8	68.4, 69.3	0.34	0.33, 0.35					60.2	60.2, 61.4	0.16	0.15, 0.17				
<b>glyco-beta-muricholate</b>	61.3	61.1, 61.5	0.20	0.19, 0.21					70.4	68.2, 72.7	0.16	0.15, 0.17				
<b>glycochenodeoxycholate 3-sulfate</b>	51.4	50.9, 52.0	0.09	0.09, 0.09					58.4	57.7, 59.1	0.19	0.18, 0.20				

<b>glycochenodeoxycholate glucuronide</b>	55.6	55.2, 56.1	0.09	0.09, 0.09		59.9	58.6, 61.3	0.24	0.23, 0.25			
<b>glycocholate sulfate</b>	60.8	60.3, 61.3	0.10	0.10, 0.10		61.4	60.1, 62.6	0.09	0.08, 0.10			
<b>glycodeoxycholate 3-sulfate</b>	66.8	66.6, 67.1	0.21	0.21, 0.21		69.1	67.5, 70.7	0.25	0.24, 0.26			
<b>glycolithocholate sulfate</b>	66.6	66.1, 67.2	0.28	0.28, 0.28		71.9	70.3, 73.4	0.32	0.31, 0.33			
<b>glycoursodeoxycholate</b>	75.8	75.3, 76.3	0.40	0.40, 0.40		73.0	72.2, 73.9	0.33	0.32, 0.34			
<b>glycoursodeoxycholic acid sulfate</b>	79.0	78.4, 79.6	0.42	0.42, 0.42		65.7	63.0, 68.3	0.27	0.26, 0.28			
<b>lithocholate sulfate</b>	72.0	71.6, 72.5	0.30	0.30, 0.30		71.3	70.0, 72.8	0.32	0.31, 0.33			
<b>taurochenodeoxycholate</b>	61.8	61.3, 62.3	0.11	0.11, 0.11		53.6	53.0, 54.2	0.14	0.12, 0.16			
<b>taurocholate</b>	52.0	51.4, 52.7	0.01	0, 0.02		52.1	51.4, 52.9	0.06	0.05, 0.07			
<b>taurocholate sulfate</b>	62.2	61.5, 62.9	0.14	0.14, 0.14		60.6	59.2, 61.9	0.11	0.10, 0.12			
<b>tauroolithocholate 3-sulfate</b>	72.3	71.7, 72.9	0.33	0.33, 0.33		71.6	70.6, 72.7	0.33	0.32, 0.34			
<b>12-ketolithocholate</b>					72.0	71.7, 72.4	0.33	0.33, 0.33	81.2	80.3, 82.2	0.40	0.39, 0.41

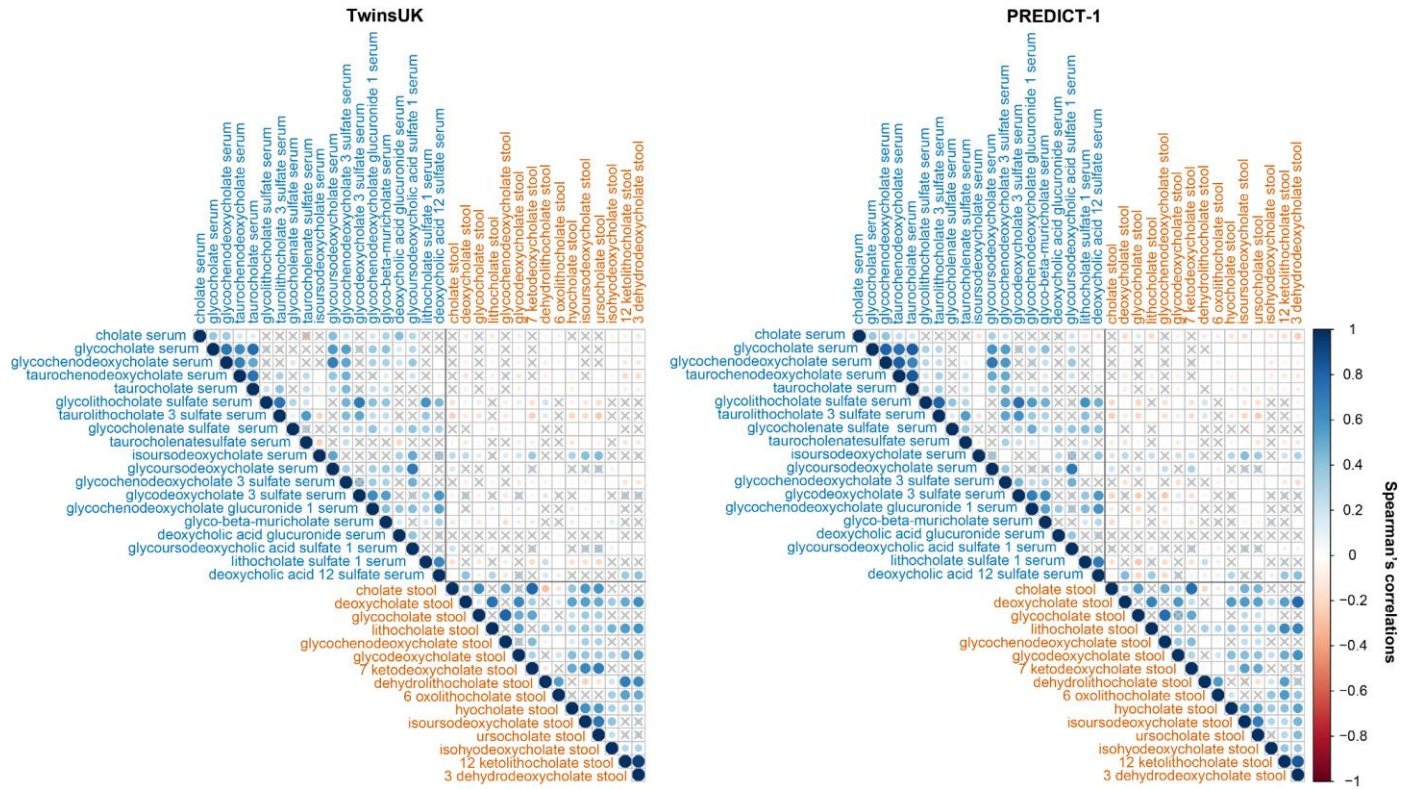
<b>3-dehydrodeoxycholate</b>	71.8	71.3, 72.3	0.36	0.36, 0.36		84.0	82.8, 85.2	0.51	0.50, 0.52
<b>6-oxolithocholate</b>	67.3	66.8, 67.8	0.23	0.22, 0.24		71.6	70.8, 72.3	0.29	0.28, 0.30
<b>7-ketodeoxycholate</b>	82.4	82.1, 82.1	0.46	0.45, 0.47		83.0	82.3, 83.7	0.45	0.44, 0.46
<b>dehydrolithocholate</b>	81.7	81.5, 82.0	0.47	0.47, 0.47		79.6	78.5, 80.8	0.48	0.46, 0.50
<b>Deoxycholate</b>	83.7	83.5, 84.0	0.48	0.48, 0.48		86.5	85.8, 87.2	0.51	0.50, 0.52
<b>glycodeoxycholate</b>	76.1	75.7, 76.5	0.37	0.37, 0.37		76.6	75.1, 78.2	0.36	0.35, 0.37
<b>hyocholate</b>	80.5	80.1, 80.9	0.43	0.42, 0.44		78.8	78.8, 79.9	0.40	0.39, 0.41
<b>isohyodeoxycholate</b>	74.4	73.5, 75.2	0.35	0.35, 0.35		58.1	56.6, 59.6	0.04	0.03, 0.05
<b>lithocholate</b>	75.9	75.3, 76.5	0.38	0.38, 0.38		75.2	74.1, 76.2	0.39	0.38, 0.4
<b>ursocholate</b>	82.1	81.5, 82.8	0.50	0.50, 0.50		83.7	82.8, 84.6	0.47	0.46, 0.48



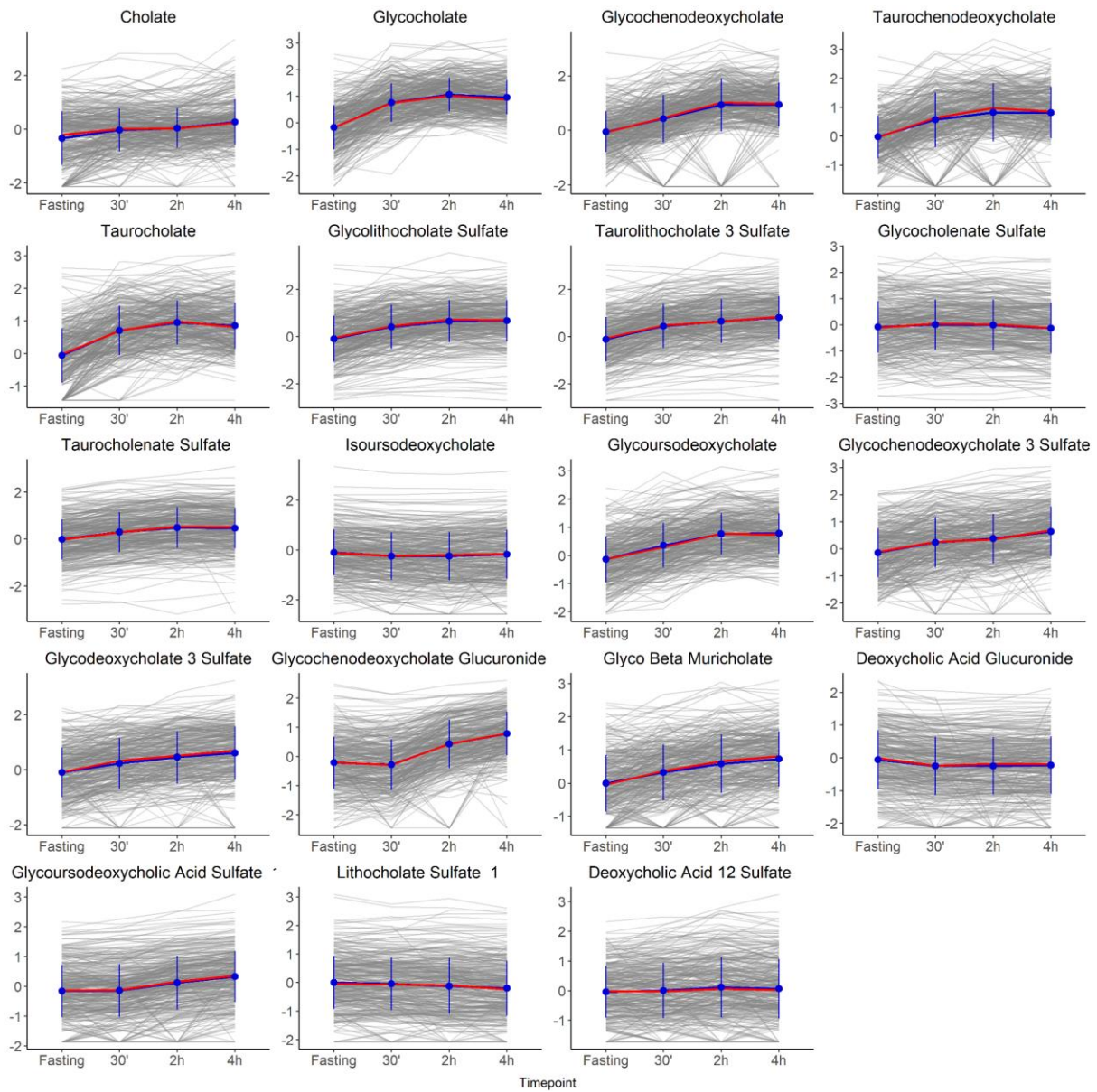
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	Bile acid	Pathway	Serum			Stool		
			Beta	95% CI	p value	Beta	95% CI	p value
	<b>Cholate</b>	Primary	-0.04	-0.17, 0.1	0.59	0.12	-0.02, 0.26	0.09
	<b>Glycocholate</b>	Primary	0.1	-0.06, 0.26	0.21	0.01	-0.12, 0.14	0.89
	<b>Glycochenodeoxycholate</b>	Primary	0.12	-0.05, 0.29	0.18	0.06	-0.09, 0.21	0.41
	<b>Taurocholate</b>	Primary	0.06	-0.10, 0.21	0.46	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Glyco-beta-muricholate</b>	Primary	0.03	-0.13, 0.18	0.73	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Glycochenodeoxycholate 3-sulfate</b>	Primary	-0.05	-0.19, 0.09	0.5	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Glycochenodeoxycholate glucuronide</b>	Primary	0.12	-0.02, 0.27	0.1	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Taurochenodeoxycholate</b>	Primary	0.02	-0.15, 0.19	0.8	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Isoursodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	0.32	0.18, 0.46	$7.36 \times 10^{-6}$	0.23	0.10, 0.36	$5.52 \times 10^{-4}$
	<b>Deoxycholic acid 12-sulfate</b>	Secondary	0.14	-0.01, 0.30	0.06	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Deoxycholic acid glucuronide</b>	Secondary	0.17	0.02, 0.32	0.02	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Glycochenate sulfate</b>	Secondary	0.03	-0.10, 0.16	0.65	NA	NA	NA
	<b>Glycodeoxycholate 3-sulfate</b>	Secondary	-35.6	-0.15, 0.14	0.97	NA	NA	NA

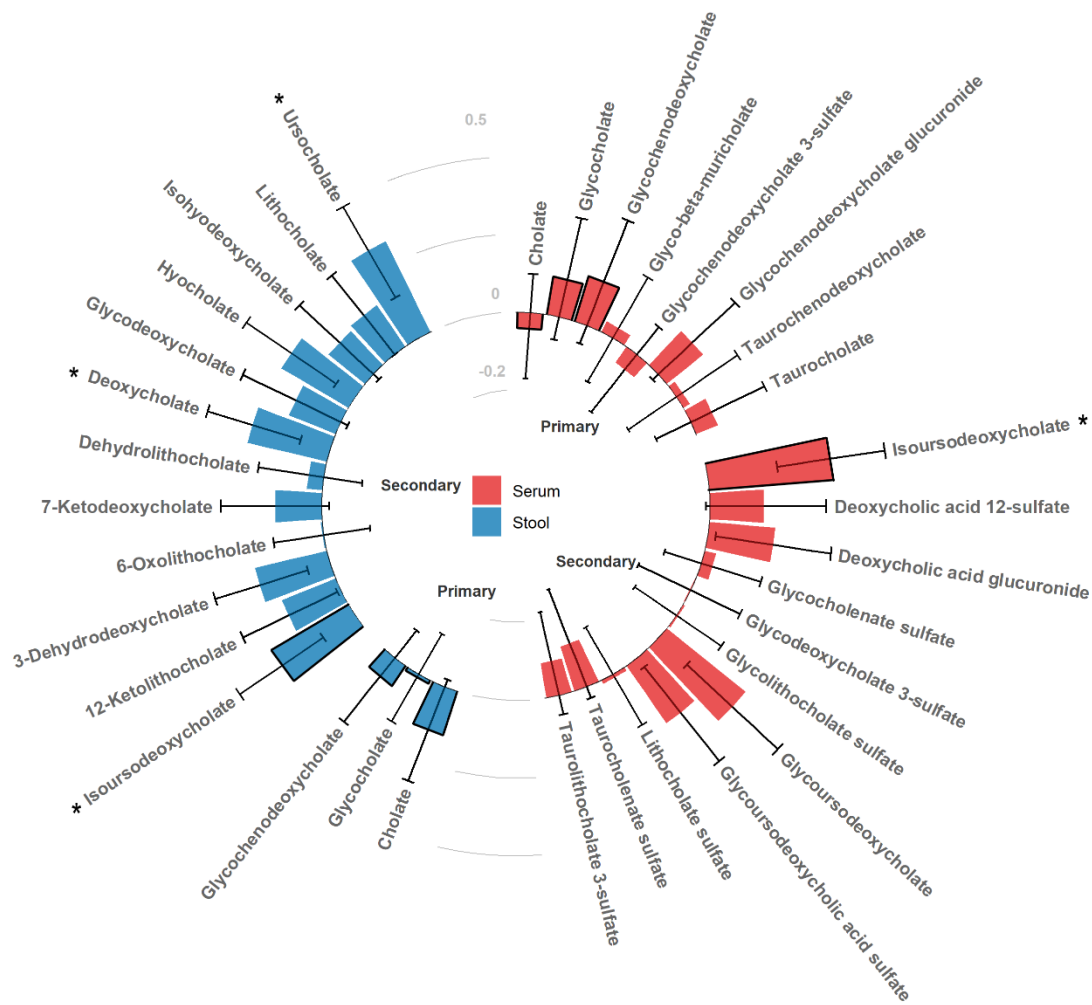
<b>Glycolithocholate sulfate</b>	Secondary	$5 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.13, 0.14	0.94	NA	NA	NA
<b>Glycoursodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	0.26	0.10, 0.42	$1.6 \times 10^{-3}$	NA	NA	NA
<b>Glycoursodeoxycholic acid sulfate</b>	Secondary	0.18	0.03, 0.34	0.02	NA	NA	NA
<b>Lithocholate sulfate</b>	Secondary	0.01	-0.14, 0.15	0.94	NA	NA	NA
<b>Taurocholenate sulfate</b>	Secondary	-0.12	-0.27, 0.03	0.12	NA	NA	NA
<b>Taurolithocholate 3-sulfate</b>	Secondary	-0.09	-0.22, 0.05	0.22	NA	NA	NA
<b>3-Dehydrodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.19	0.06, 0.31	$4.47 \times 10^{-3}$
<b>Dehydrolithocholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.04	-0.10, 0.17	0.6
<b>Deoxycholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.21	0.08, 0.33	$1.10 \times 10^{-3}$
<b>Glycodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.13	-0.02, 0.28	0.09
<b>Hyocholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.2	0.06, 0.34	0.01
<b>Isohyodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.12	-0.02, 0.26	0.1
<b>7-Ketodeoxycholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.12	-0.02, 0.26	0.1
<b>12-Ketolithocholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.15	0.01, 0.28	0.03
<b>Lithocholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.13	0.00, 0.26	0.05
<b>6-Oxolithocholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	$4.45 \times 10^{-3}$	-0.12, 0.13	0.95
<b>Ursocholate</b>	Secondary	NA	NA	NA	0.26	0.12, 0.39	$1.86 \times 10^{-4}$



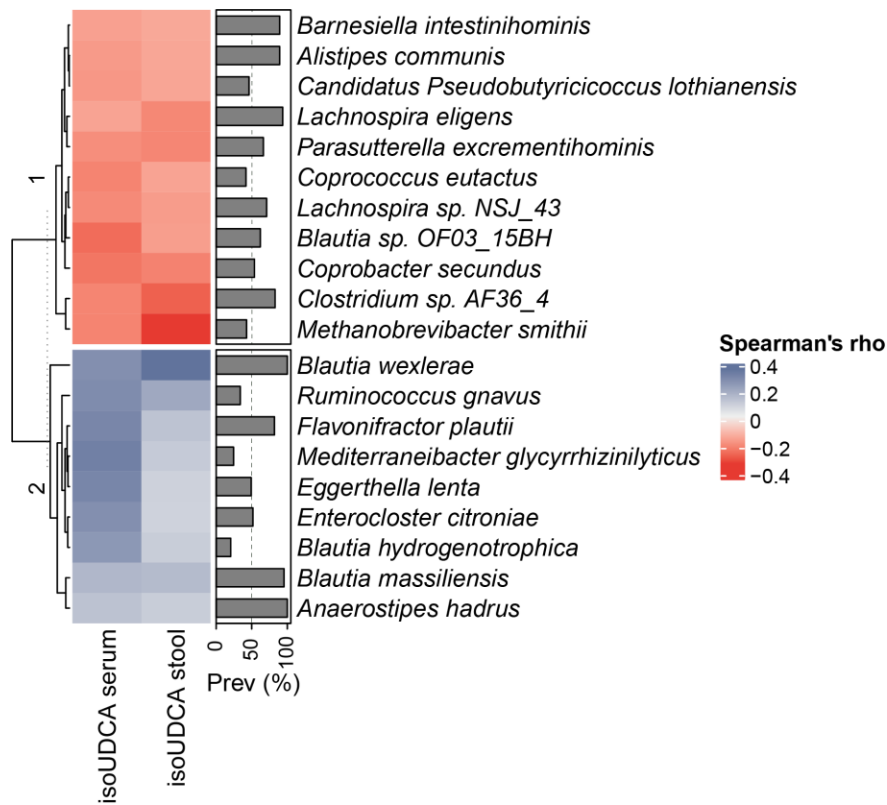
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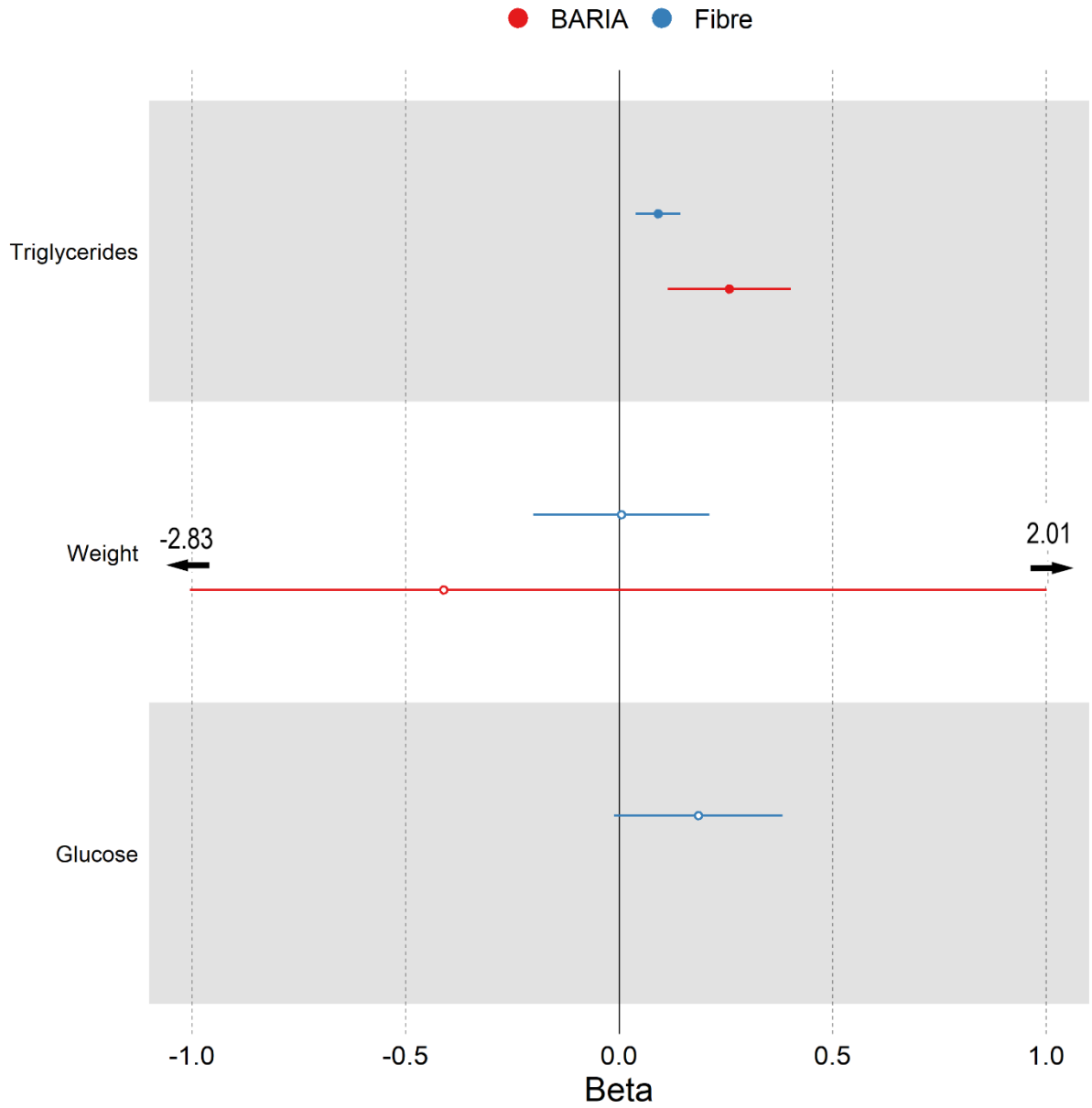
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