

1 **Dynamic Distribution of the Gut Microbiota and the Relationship**
2 **with Apparent Crude Fiber Digestibility and Growth Stages in Pigs**

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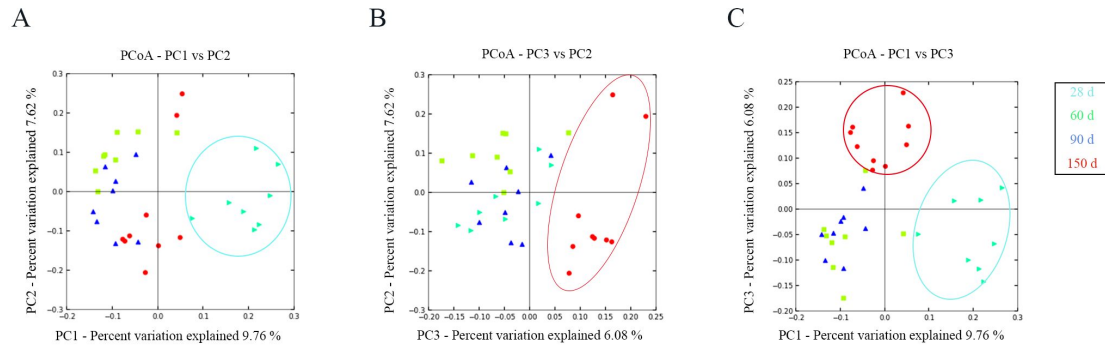
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Supporting Information



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19 **Fig. S1A-C PCoA plots.** PCoA of unweighted UniFrac distances for the fecal microbiota at

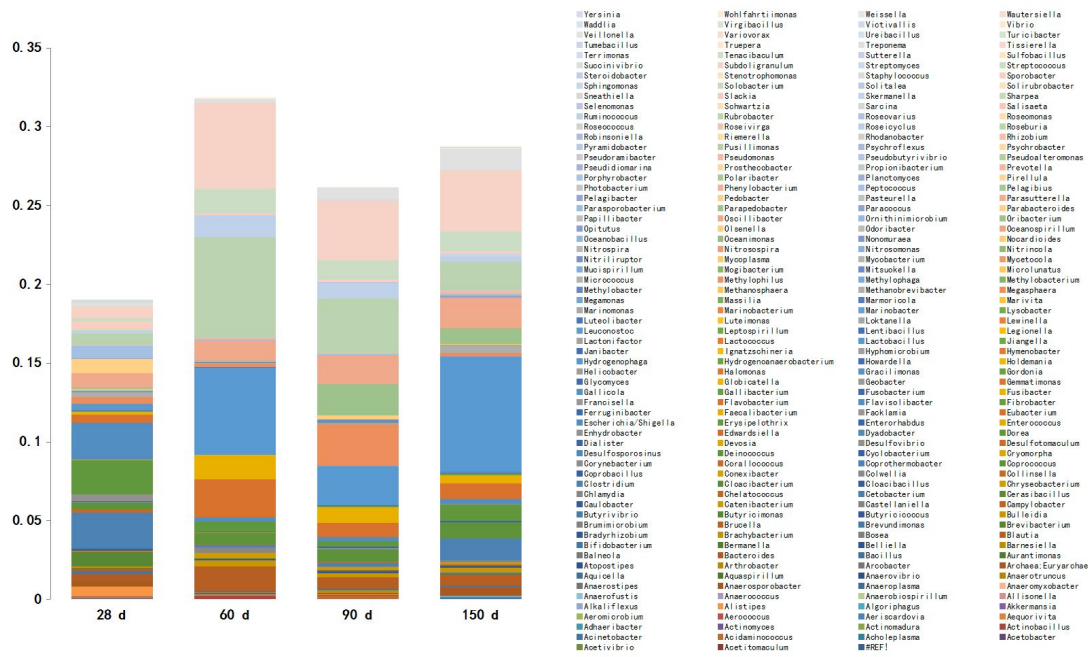
20 different ages. In the unweighted UniFrac analysis of the fecal samples, the first principal

21 coordinate, explained 9.76% of sample variation, separated groups (28 day of age) from others.

22 The third principal coordinate (6.08% of sample variation) separated groups (150 day of age)

23 from others.

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26 **Fig. S2 Relative abundances of distinct genera in four groups.** Distribution of the genera as a

27 percentage of the total number of identified 16S rDNA sequences in individual groups.

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29 **Table S1 Raw reads, sequences and OTUs from four groups.**

Group	Raw reads	High quality sequences	OTUs
28 d	1,532,635	1,003,915	14,306
60 d	1,532,635	822,609	15,051
90 d	1,364,816	964,057	16,329
150 d	1,307,708	1,138,078	17,593

31 **Table S2 Pearson's correlations between age and 5 distinct phyla in four growing phases. ***

32 The correlation is significant at a level of 0.05; ** the correlation is significant at a level of 0.01.

phyla	Age	
	Pearson's correlation	<i>p</i>
<i>TM7</i>	0.664 **	0.000
<i>Tenericutes</i>	0.658**	0.000
<i>Synergistetes</i>	- 0.495**	0.003
<i>Lentisphaerae</i>	- 0.420*	0.015
<i>Fusobacteria</i>	- 0.327	0.064

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34 **Table S3 The relative abundances of 36 distinct genus in four groups were significantly**
 35 **different, and Pearson's correlations with age.** ^{a,b,*} The correlation is significant at a level of
 36 0.05; ^{A,B,**} the correlation is significant at a level of 0.01.

Genera	Age				Pearson's correlation
	28 d	60 d	90 d	150 d	
<i>Actinomyces</i>	14.63±4.06 ^A	0.25±0.16 ^B	0.63±0.38 ^B	2.11±1.29 ^B	-0.433*
<i>Aeromicrobium</i>	0.88±0.52 ^B	0.13±0.13 ^B	0.00±0.00 ^B	2.78±1.18 ^A	0.373*
<i>Akkermansia</i>	70.00±33.99 ^A	1.50±0.63 ^B	1.38±0.32 ^B	2.00±0.67 ^B	-0.379*
<i>Anaeroplasma</i>	2.75±0.41 ^B	7.75±4.91 ^B	7.38±3.42 ^B	35.56±6.91 ^A	0.669**
<i>Anaerosporobacter</i>	10.00±2.77 ^b	17.25±3.98 ^b	21.88±6.77	55.00±20.65 ^a	0.464**
<i>Atopostipes</i>	0.75±0.25	0.00±0.00 ^b	0.63±0.18	2.22±1.15 ^a	0.346*
<i>Aurantimonas</i>	1.00±0.73	0.25±0.16 ^b	0.63±0.38 ^b	9.78±5.69 ^a	0.375*
<i>Brevundimonas</i>	19.63±12.17	10.50±3.96 ^b	5.50±2.00 ^b	115.56±61.08 ^a	0.373*
<i>Butyricicoccus</i>	39.88±5.90 ^b	103.50±21.53	155.63±43.39 ^b	154.89±42.47 ^b	0.403*
<i>Caulobacter</i>	0.38±0.26 ^b	0.25±0.25 ^b	0.50±0.38 ^b	2.67±1.22 ^a	0.420*
<i>Cloacibacillus</i>	167.13±66.72 ^A	2.25±0.37 ^B	1.38±0.38 ^B	2.56±0.50 ^B	-0.436*
<i>Collinsella</i>	264.13±106.97 ^a	63.00±13.79 ^b	117.75±67.03	37.11±11.60 ^b	-0.362*
<i>Deinococcus</i>	0.75±0.41	0.50±0.27 ^b	0.13±0.13 ^b	2.78±1.27 ^a	0.360*
<i>Desulfovibrio</i>	533.63±176.21 ^A	10.38±2.88 ^B	72.25±44.84 ^B	23.00±4.77 ^B	-0.464*
<i>Gallibacterium</i>	0.63±0.50 ^b	0.25±0.16 ^b	0.00±0.00 ^b	3.00±1.36 ^a	0.391*
<i>Globicatella</i>	1.25±0.41 ^A	0.00±0.00 ^B	0.13±0.13 ^B	0.11±0.11 ^B	-0.419*
<i>Gordonia</i>	6.25±5.54	1.00±0.27 ^b	0.38±0.18 ^b	37.89±20.41 ^b	0.370*

<i>Hyphomicrobium</i>	0.50±0.19	0.50±0.38	0.38±0.26 ^b	2.00±0.87 ^a	0.368*
<i>Lactobacillus</i>	471.88±64.38 ^b	5,698.25±1,962.60	2,965.25±1,482.88	9,190.78±4,344.15 ^a	0.360*
<i>Lactonifactor</i>	6.50±2.02 ^A	0.50±0.27 ^B	0.38±0.18 ^B	0.56±0.29 ^B	-0.472**
<i>Marmoricola</i>	0.38±0.26 ^b	0.38±0.26 ^b	0.25±0.16 ^b	5.44±2.86 ^a	0.411*
<i>Methanosphaera</i>	0.00±0.00 ^b	0.00±0.00 ^b	0.38±0.26	2.89±1.71 ^a	0.404*
<i>Nitrosospira</i>	0.50±0.38	0.13±0.13 ^B	0.25±0.25 ^b	1.22±0.28 ^{Aa}	0.378*
<i>Nocardioides</i>	15.50±10.99	2.88±0.79 ^b	1.50±0.53 ^b	57.89±27.84 ^a	0.360*
<i>Oribacterium</i>	66.38±8.19 ^B	62.75±5.81 ^B	2,426.13±647.27 ^b	1,219.67±491.62 ^{Aa}	0.358*
<i>Paracoccus</i>	22.75±17.33 ^b	5.88±2.44 ^b	4.25±1.10 ^b	151.44±68.04 ^a	0.431*
<i>Phenylobacterium</i>	0.63±0.38	1.25±0.73	1.00±0.50	4.22±2.30	0.345*
<i>Pseudobutyrvibrio</i>	5.13±1.06 ^B	15.00±4.72 ^B	5.25±1.37 ^B	56.33±12.46 ^A	0.646**
<i>Pseudomonas</i>	38.00±14.63 ^B	18.00±4.03 ^B	15.63±2.92 ^B	204.78±84.47 ^A	0.449**
<i>Robinsoniella</i>	0.25±0.25 ^B	0.38±0.18 ^B	0.38±0.18 ^B	5.44±2.15 ^A	0.515**
<i>Roseomonas</i>	1.00±0.63 ^b	0.13±0.13 ^b	0.13±0.13 ^b	6.00±2.92 ^a	0.404*
<i>Sharpea</i>	109.63±51.54 ^a	11.13±3.80 ^b	31.13±19.67	11.22±3.49 ^b	-0.345*
<i>Solobacterium</i>	1.13±0.40 ^A	0.00±0.00 ^B	0.13±0.13 ^B	0.00±0.00 ^B	-0.460**
<i>Sphingomonas</i>	17.75±11.98	3.13±0.77 ^b	2.88±0.64 ^b	132.78±80.09 ^a	0.353*
<i>Treponema</i>	241.00±63.75	1,670.78±923.65	202.50±60.40	803.88±194.05	0.385*
<i>Victivallis</i>	32.13±13.78 ^A	3.63±3.34 ^B	2.63±0.73 ^B	1.22±0.64 ^B	-0.420*

38 **Table S4 The relative abundances of 12 distinct classes in four groups were significantly**
39 **different, and Pearson's correlations with age.** ^{a,b,*} The correlation is significant at a level of
40 0.05; ^{A,B,**} the correlation is significant at a level of 0.01.

Classes	Age				Pearson's correlation
	28 d	60 d	90 d	150 d	
<i>Bacilli</i>	975.25±148.96 ^b	7756.88±1923.42	4742.50±1783.75	11379.89±4511.41 ^a	0.396*
<i>Bacteroidia</i>	6413.13±1970.41 ^A	629.25±100.20 ^B	1086.50±187.76 ^B	1354.22±305.74 ^B	-0.405**
<i>Deltaproteobacteria</i>	589.25±191.77 ^A	16.88±5.60 ^B	75.25±45.62 ^B	36.33±6.55 ^B	-0.460**
<i>Elusimicrobia</i>	0.13±0.13 ^b	0.13±0.13 ^b	1.13±0.61	1.56±0.65 ^a	0.419*
<i>Erysipelotrichia</i>	3669.75±1003.60 ^b	5951.00±1396.07	5578.13±801.34	8650.56±1912.63 ^a	0.414*
<i>Lentisphaeria</i>	36.75±15.10 ^A	3.63±3.34 ^B	2.88±0.74 ^B	1.44±0.78 ^B	-0.429*
<i>Mollicutes</i>	4.25±1.05 ^B	10.63±4.94 ^B	8.50±3.06 ^B	37.00±6.41 ^A	0.678**
<i>Spirochaetes</i>	186.38±50.53	168.88±59.23	670.38±149.73	1373.11±850.23	0.353*
<i>Subdivision5</i>	5.25±1.05	2.25±0.45	3.13±0.77	18.89±6.18 ^A	0.489**
<i>Synergistia</i>	200.75±63.04 ^A	2.75±0.41 ^B	1.75±0.45 ^B	3.11±0.54 ^B	-0.496**
<i>TM7_genera_incerta</i> <i>e_sedis</i>	15.38±5.11 ^B	3.75±0.77 ^B	41.13±10.95 ^B	320.44±84.44 ^A	0.663**
<i>Verrucomicrobiae</i>	78.75±32.83 ^A	4.75±1.01 ^B	4.00±0.98 ^B	7.67±2.03 ^B	-0.392*

42 **Table S5 The relative abundances of 17 distinct orders in four groups were significantly**
43 **different, and Pearson's correlations with age.** ^{a,b,*} The correlation is significant at a level of
44 0.05; ^{A,B,**} the correlation is significant at a level of 0.01.

Orders	Age				Pearson's correlation
	28 d	60 d	90- d	150 d	
<i>Alphaproteobacteria_incertae_sedis</i>	0.13± 0.13 ^B	0.50±0.50	0.13±0.13	1.33±0.58 ^A	0.353*
<i>Anaeroplasmatales</i>	2.88± 0.77 ^B	7.88±4.90	7.00±3.35 ^B	35.22±6.88 ^A	0.664**
<i>Bacteroidales</i>	6413.13± 1970.41 ^A	629.25±100.20 ^B	1086.50±187.76 ^B	1354.22±305.74 ^B	-0.405*
<i>Caulobacterales</i>	21.13± 12.42 ^b	13.13±4.61 ^b	7.38±2.87 ^b	123.67±62.71 ^a	0.384*
<i>Desulfovibrionales</i>	581.88± 191.20 ^A	10.50±2.89 ^B	72.88±45.20 ^B	25.78±5.02 ^B	-0.465**
<i>Elusimicrobiales</i>	0.13± 0.13 ^b	0.13±0.13 ^b	1.13±0.61	1.56±0.65 ^a	0.419*
<i>Erysipelotrichales</i>	3669.75± 1003.60 ^b	5951.00±1396.07	5578.13±801.34	8650.56±1912.63 ^a	0.414*
<i>Lactobacillales</i>	882.13±143.88 ^b	7673.25±1920.99	4694.75±1776.72	11273.56±4500.22 ^a	0.397*
<i>Pseudomonadales</i>	83.38±38.08 ^A	39.75±13.06 ^B	28.00±5.22 ^B	382.44±120.60 ^B	0.509**
<i>Rhodobacterales</i>	46.38±29.15 ^b	24.00±11.98 ^b	11.50±3.59 ^B	208.00±87.55 ^{Aa}	0.412*
<i>Sphingomonadales</i>	23.00±15.80	5.75±2.24 ^b	4.50±0.98 ^b	164.56±95.28 ^a	0.362*
<i>Spirochaetales</i>	186.38±50.53	168.88±59.23	670.38±149.73	1373.11±850.23	0.353*
<i>Subdivision5_genera_incertae_sedis</i>	5.25±1.05 ^B	2.25±0.45 ^B	3.13±0.77 ^B	18.89±6.18 ^A	0.489**
<i>Synergistales</i>	200.75±63.04 ^A	2.75±0.41 ^B	1.75±0.45 ^B	3.11±0.54 ^B	-0.496**
<i>TM7_genera_incertae_sedis</i>	15.38±5.11 ^B	3.75±0.77 ^B	41.13±10.95 ^B	320.44±84.44 ^A	0.663**
<i>Verrucomicrobiales</i>	78.75±32.83 ^A	4.75±1.01 ^B	4.00±0.98 ^B	7.67±2.03 ^B	-0.392*
<i>Victivallales</i>	36.75±15.10 ^A	3.63±3.34 ^B	2.88±0.74 ^B	1.44±0.78 ^B	-0.429*

46 **Table S6 The relative abundances of 8 distinct families in four groups were significantly**
 47 **different, and Pearson's correlations with age.** ^{a,b,*} The correlation is significant at a level of
 48 0.05; ^{A,B,**} the correlation is significant at a level of 0.01.

Families	Age				Pearson's correlation
	28 d	60 d	90 d	150 d	
<i>Anaeroplasmataceae</i>	39.13±6.42 ^A	7.75±4.91 ^B	3.38±0.75 ^B	6.33±3.03 ^B	-0.544**
<i>Deinococcaceae</i>	2.38±1.36 ^a	1.25±0.73	0.75±0.41	0.11±0.11 ^b	-0.355*
<i>Eubacteriaceae</i>	169.00±36.70 ^A	59.00±18.60 ^B	30.13±7.64 ^B	48.89±10.28 ^B	-0.481**
<i>Intrasporangiaceae</i>	105.25±48.76 ^a	16.13±12.43 ^b	38.75±34.62	2.44±0.88 ^b	-0.350*
<i>Subdivision5_genera_incertae_sedis</i>	21.00±6.59 ^A	2.25±0.45 ^B	4.75±1.11 ^B	3.44±0.75 ^B	-0.433*
<i>Succinivibrionaceae</i>	80.63±39.08 ^b	76.25±24.17 ^b	30.88±12.85 ^B	196.89±50.86 ^{Aa}	0.385*
<i>TM7_genera_incertae_sedis</i>	358.75±85.33 ^A	5.13±1.48 ^B	15.25±5.15 ^B	37.00±10.50 ^B	-0.500**
<i>Veillonellaceae</i>	753.75±342.63 ^B	720.13±127.37 ^B	413.25±144.94 ^B	4308.11±1655.80 ^A	0.465**

50 **Table S7A,B Ingredient composition (g/kg) of the experimental diets.**

51 **A**

28 d	
crude protein	≥205
Calcium	7-12
moisture	≤130
crude fiber	≤40
TP	≥6
lysine	≥14
crude ash	≤7
salt	3-8

52 **B**

	60 d	90 d	150 d
Corn	690	670	660
Soybean meal	200	200	160
Wheat Bran	20	9	140
Fish meal	20	0	0
Barley	30	0	0
De-mold agent	1	0	0
Vitamin A	2.4×10 ⁻³ -4.2×10 ⁻³	1.2×10 ⁻³ -1.92×10 ⁻³	1.2×10 ⁻³ -1.92×10 ⁻³
Vitamin D3	5×10 ⁻⁵ -9×10 ⁻⁵	5×10 ⁻⁵ -9×10 ⁻⁵	5×10 ⁻⁵ -9×10 ⁻⁵

Vitamin E	$\geq 5 \times 10^{-3}$	$\geq 0.45 \times 10^{-3}$	$\geq 0.45 \times 10^{-3}$
Vitamin K3	$4.5 \times 10^{-5} - 8.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$4.5 \times 10^{-5} - 8.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$3.5 \times 10^{-5} - 6.5 \times 10^{-5}$
Vitamin B1	$\geq 5 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 4.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 4.5 \times 10^{-5}$
Vitamin B2	$\geq 1.3 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 1.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 1.1 \times 10^{-5}$
Vitamin B6	$\geq 7.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 6.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 6.5 \times 10^{-5}$
Vitamin B12	$\geq 5 \times 10^{-7}$	$\geq 4 \times 10^{-7}$	$\geq 4 \times 10^{-7}$
Niacin	$\geq 7.5 \times 10^{-4}$	$\geq 0.65 \times 10^{-4}$	$\geq 0.65 \times 10^{-4}$
Calcium Pantothenate	$\geq 3 \times 10^{-4}$	$\geq 0.28 \times 10^{-4}$	$\geq 0.28 \times 10^{-4}$
Folat	$\geq 2.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$
bBiotin	$\geq 2.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 2.3 \times 10^{-5}$
Choline Chloride	$\geq 7 \times 10^{-3}$	$\geq 7 \times 10^{-3}$	$\geq 6.5 \times 10^{-3}$
copper	$3 \times 10^{-3} - 4.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.75 \times 10^{-3} - 3.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$5 \times 10^{-4} - 8.75 \times 10^{-4}$
Iron	$3 \times 10^{-3} - 4 \times 10^{-3}$	$3 \times 10^{-3} - 5 \times 10^{-3}$	$3 \times 10^{-3} - 5 \times 10^{-3}$
Manganese	$1.2 \times 10^{-3} - 2 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-3} - 2 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.2 \times 10^{-3} - 2 \times 10^{-3}$
Zinc	$2.5 \times 10^{-3} - 3.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.5 \times 10^{-3} - 3.75 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.5 \times 10^{-3} - 3.75 \times 10^{-3}$
Iodine	$1.7 \times 10^{-5} - 3.3 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-5} - 3.3 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.7 \times 10^{-5} - 3.3 \times 10^{-5}$
Selenium	$7 \times 10^{-6} - 1.2 \times 10^{-6}$	$7 \times 10^{-6} - 1.2 \times 10^{-6}$	$7 \times 10^{-6} - 1.2 \times 10^{-6}$
Calcium	4.8-6.4	4.4-6	4-5.6
Total Phosphorus (TP)	≥ 0.1	≥ 0.1	≥ 0.56
Salt	2.8-4.4%	2.8-4.4%	2.8-4.4%
Moisture	≤ 4	≤ 4	≤ 4