



**Supplementary Figure S1:** Predicted relative abundance of gene functions within the microbial communities under 'Normal Fe'(CR), 'High Fe', low Fe '200  $\mu$ M dip' and very low Fe '300  $\mu$ M dip' (TR1 and TR2) conditions. Predictions were based on OTUs associated with Greengenes identifiers and imputed using PICRUSt to determine KEGG pathway abundances. Pathways specific for human metabolism (organismal systems and human disease), which were all below 0.5 % abundance, were not included in the graph.