SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 1: BF and HF fecal bacteria communities profile before and after dietary fiber supplementation with cellulose. Fecal bacteria communities were profiled using high depth sequencing of amplicons of 16S rRNA. Prior to dietary modification all animals contained similar gut bacterial communities. After 2 weeks on different diets we observed a shift in the composition of the intestinal microbiota in HF-fed mice characterized by a decline in the relative abundance of a family of Bacteroidales, *Lactobacillus* and Clostridiales and by a significant increase in *Akkermansia* and Lachnospiraceae members. LEfSe was used to identify biomarkers ( $P \le 0.05$ ) for either the initial, BF and HF sample groups. Taxa displayed here are those with high relative abundance across sample groups (> 0.01).

