# **Supporting Information**

### S1: Inclusion and exclusion criteria

Inclusion criteria	Exclusion criteria
• Animals with acute diarrhea with an	Animals showing acute diarrhea which
owner reported fecal score of 5 or 6 on	will need additional treatment other
one or more occasion in the 24hours	than the feed supplement
before presenting to the vet	Animals with on-going vomiting which
Animals with a general condition, which	requires medical treatment or
requires only dietary management and	temporary starvation
the administration of the feed	Animals with diarrhea which is present
supplement	for more than 7 days before enrolment
• No antimicrobial treatment at least 4	Animals with known hypersensitivity to
weeks before day 0	the active ingredients and/or excipients
• No probiotic products at least 4 weeks	of the feed supplement/placebo
before day 0	Animals which received antimicrobial
• Animals must be suitable for the study	treatment less than 4 weeks before day
when examined physically on Day 0	0
with respect to being in good general	Animals which received probiotic
health and bodily condition and	products less than 4 weeks before day
amenable to examination	0
• The owner or authorised agent has	Animals with pre-existing medical and
given the consent for his/her animal to	/or surgical conditions where
participate in the study	symptoms may include diarrhea or
	vomiting
	• Animals with diarrhea known to be
	secondary to other underlying diseases
	(e.g. endocrine disorders)

Criteria for inclusion in analysis	Post-inclusion removal criteria	
Received at least two doses of ADPP	Removal due to worsening or not-	
or placebo every full day on the study	improvement related to the condition	
up to study completion	under investigation.	
Received the study diet	Removals due to concomitant disease	
• Had a fecal score of 4, 5 or 6 whilst on	not allowing the animal to stay on study	
the study	(e.g. other treatments needed not	
• Did not receive treatment with any non-	compliant with protocol).	
study products that had gastrointestinal	Animal's death.	
activity	Animal owner's refusal to continue	
	study participation.	
	Administration of a non-approved	
	concurrent therapy, which may affect	
	the integrity of the study data.	
	Incorrect test product/placebo	
	administration (e.g. serious dosing	
	error)	
	• Meeting an exclusion criterion and/or	
	not meeting an inclusion criterion	
	• Other deviations that may affect the	
	integrity of the study data must be	
	specified	

## S2: Composition of the ADPP and placebo and dosage

## ADPP:

Name	Pro-Kolin Advanced
Microbial content:	Enterococcus faecium 4b1707
Qualitative and quantitative composition:	Active ingredients:
	<i>Enterococcus faecium</i> 4b1707 2x10 <sup>8</sup> CFU/g,
	Preplex <sup>®</sup> prebiotic, combined kaolin and
	montmorillonite clay, psyllium husk, pectin, beta
	glucan
	liver flavour
Formulation:	Paste
Nature and composition of immediate	30 ml syringe
packaging:	
Sponsor (Marketing authorization holder):	Probiotics International Ltd
Marketing authorisation holder & manufacturing	Probiotics International Ltd
company:	

#### Placebo:

Name	Placebo
Microbial Content:	N/A
Qualitative and quantitative composition:	Soya Oil, Colloidal silica, Dextrose, Liver Flavour
Formulation:	Paste
Nature and composition of immediate	30 ml syringe
packaging:	
Marketing authorisation holder & manufacturing	Probiotics International Ltd
company:	

## Dosage instructions for ADPP and placebo:

Bodyweight (kg)	Dosage volume (ml)	Frequency
<5	2	3 times daily
5 to <15	3	3 times daily
15 to <30	5	3 times daily
30 to <45	7	3 times daily
≥ 45	10	3 times daily

#### S3: Fecal Scoring Chart

Score1=hard	Hardorfirm,shouldbepliable, segmentedappearance,little or noresidueleftongroundwhen pickedup	
Score2=log- like	Littleornosegmentationvisible, moistsurface,leavesresiduebut holdsformifpickedup	
Score3= moist	Moistbutdistinctlogshape visible,leavesresidueandloses abitofformifpickedup(normal for somedogs)	
Score4=very moist	Verymoistbuthasdistinctshape, presentinpilesratherthan distinct logs, leavesresidueand loses formifpickedup	ADD
Score5=has texture	Hastexture,butnodefined shape,occursaspilesorasspot, leavesresiduewhenpickedup	
Score6= watery	Watery,notexture,flat,occursas puddles	

#### S4: Concomitant Treatments

- lithium bromide (epilepsy) •
- immunotherapy (atopy) tramadol (pain) ٠
- •
- opical fusidic acid/ betamethasone (moist dermatitis) ٠
- pimobendan (cardiac insufficiency) •
- •
- phenobarbitone (epilepsy) topical diethanolamine fusidate/ framycetin sulfate/ nystatin/ prednisolone (otitis
- externa) ٠
- topical fusidic acid (conjunctivitis) •