

Biomarkers for oralization during long-term proton pump inhibitor therapy
predict survival in cirrhosis

Supplementary information

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Methods

Non-cirrhotic validation cohorts

Two validation cohorts were established from published data to validate the bacterial taxa identified as biomarkers for PPI-associated dysbiosis in cirrhosis.^{1,2} DNA was extracted from a single stool sample and 16S rRNA gene-derived sequencing reads were analyzed as described above.

The first validation cohort comprised 30 patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD) undergoing haemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis with or without concomitant long-term PPI use. Patients were recruited at the University Hospital in Graz, were 18 years or older, and did not have malignancy, pregnancy, chronic inflammatory bowel disease, celiac disease, active alcohol abuse, severe organ dysfunction unrelated to renal dysfunction, or clinical evidence of active infection.¹

The second validation cohort comprised 12 healthy volunteers before and after a four week omeprazole regime with a twice daily dose of 40mg. The participants were recruited at the Columbia University Medical center, were 18 years or older and did not match any of the exclusion criteria: use of systemic antibiotics within one year, use of PPIs or histamine-2 receptor antagonists within one year, new medications within one month, chronic gastrointestinal mucosal disease, abnormal bowel frequency (minimum of three bowel movements per week, maximum of three per day), use of medications with potential interactions with PPIs, pregnancy, and travel planned outside of the United States during the study period.²

Characteristics are given in Supplementary Table 1.

Supplementary Tables:

Supplementary Table 1. Patient characteristics for validation cohorts. Data is given as count (%) or median and 95% confidence interval.

	healthy	end stage renal disease	
		no PPI	PPI
N	12	16	14
Age (in years)	39 (28 - 52)	61 (54 - 72)	61 (53 - 68)
Gender (m/f)	6/9	10/6	12/2
Antibiotic treatment	0 (0%)	1 (6%)	0 (0%)
Antidiabetic therapy	1 (8%)	3 (19%)	0 (0%)
- Metformin	1 (8%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)

Supplementary Table 2. Biomarkers from present analysis or literature with abundance between PPI users and non-users, as well as biomarker performance in training (n=100) and validation cohorts (n=68) of cirrhotic patients.

Biomarker	Origin	Abundance (Median and 95% CI)			Training			Validation		
		PPI	No PPI	p-value	AUROC (SE)	p-value	Threshold	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity	Specificity
Species										
<i>Veillonella parvula</i>	A	20.5 (5 - 61)	1.5 (0 - 4)	<0.001	0.742 (0.052)	<0.001	10	72	0.63	0.85
<i>Streptococcus salivarius</i>	A	91.5 (41 - 177)	10.5 (6 - 26)	0.02	0.717 (0.055)	<0.001	42	74	0.71	0.78
<i>Streptococcus parasanguinis</i>	A	25.5 (13 - 36)	3.5 (2 - 9)	0.02	0.709 (0.055)	0.001	14	65	0.56	0.78
<i>Lachnospiraceae sp.</i>	A	0 (0 - 1)	52.5 (2 - 203)	0.03	0.673 (0.058)	0.003	7	60	0.37	0.41
<i>Subdoligranulum variabile</i>	A	30.5 (3 - 86)	109.5 (47 - 162)	0.049	0.642 (0.059)	0.019	37	54	0.46	0.44
Genera										
<i>Streptococcus</i>	L	334 (162 - 455)	67.5 (27 - 126)	0.001	0.740 (0.052)	<0.001	252	74	0.63	0.89
<i>Veillonella</i>	L	53 (17 - 202)	3.5 (1 - 14)	<0.001	0.721 (0.055)	<0.001	34	68	0.54	0.89
<i>Enterococcus</i>	L	0 (0 - 2)	0 (0 - 0)	0.8	0.564 (0.060)	0.236	33	-	-	-
<i>Escherichia-Shigella</i>	L	5 (1 - 10)	1.5 (0 - 13)	0.8	0.550 (0.061)	0.400	206	-	-	-
Families										
<i>Micrococcaceae</i>	L	6 (3 - 9)	1 (1 - 2)	0.001	0.746 (0.053)	<0.001	2	68	0.71	0.63
<i>Staphylococcaceae</i>	L	0 (0 - 0)	0 (0 - 0)	0.1	0.570 (0.060)	0.013	1	50	0.10	0.96
<i>Veillonellaceae</i>	L	356 (214 - 531)	94.5 (28 - 582)	0.1	0.594 (0.061)	0.124	33	-	-	-
<i>Porphyromonadaceae</i>	L	578 (255 - 910)	803.5 (540 - 1192)	0.4	0.421 (0.061)	0.196	15	-	-	-
<i>Lachnospiraceae</i>	L	6700 (6097 - 7365)	6718.5 (6319 - 7547)	0.4	0.466 (0.061)	0.582	6940	-	-	-

CI: confidence interval - PPI: proton pump inhibitor - AUROC: Area under the receiver operated curve - SE: standard error - A: from analysis - L: from literature

Supplementary Table 3. Spectrum of dysbiosis combinations among cirrhotic patients with PPI use.

Types of dysbiosis	N (%)
No dysbiosis	8 (16%)
<i>Veillonella parvula</i> dysbiosis	6 (12%)
<i>Streptococcus salivarius</i> dysbiosis	1 (2%)
<i>Streptococcus</i> (genus) dysbiosis	4 (8%)
<i>Veillonella parvula</i> + <i>Streptococcus salivarius</i> dysbiosis	4 (8%)
<i>Veillonella parvula</i> + <i>Streptococcus</i> (genus) dysbiosis	0 (0%)
<i>Streptococcus salivarius</i> + <i>Streptococcus</i> (genus) dysbiosis	7 (14%)
<i>Veillonella parvula</i> + <i>Streptococcus salivarius</i> + <i>Streptococcus</i> (genus) dysbiosis	20 (40%)

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