Multimedia Appendix 1. Secondary Hypotheses

Infant Biological Outcomes

Using samples collected at follow-up, compared to the control group, infants in

the intervention group will have: (1) a greater concentration of stool short chain

fatty acids (SCFA); (2) lower levels of biomarkers of stress and inflammation in

resuspended dry blood spots; (3) differences in epigenetic regulation

(differentially methylated CpGs) measured using buccal cells; (4) DNA

methylation differences in CpGs in free fatty acid receptor genes FFAR2 and

FFAR3.

Maternal Biological Outcomes

Using samples collected at follow-up, compared to the control group, mothers in

the intervention group will have: (1) a greater concentration of stool short chain

fatty acids; (2) lower levels of biomarkers of stress and inflammation measured

in saliva samples; (3) differences in epigenetic regulation measured using buccal

cells; (4) DNA methylation differences in CpGs in free fatty acid receptor genes

FFAR2 and FFAR3.

Process Evaluation, Feasibility and Acceptance

The study implementation will be feasible and the procedures will be acceptable

to participants.

Secondary outcome measures for the gut microbiota and maternal diet are

detailed in the study protocol.