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Data collection All the software used in current study for data collection are commercial. Detailed information are provided in the text and in supplemental methods. No custom code has been used.

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The accession number for the entire RNA-seq dataset reported in this manuscript is GSE125387. Here is the link for reviewers to access this dataset: ftp://ftp-trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/review/SRP181024_20190131_155134_305cf1fb13b9539dcd317a0354c9ed61

The accession number for the entire 16S rRNA sequencing dataset reported in this manuscript is SRP181000. Here is the link for reviewers to access this dataset: ftp://ftp-trace.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/review/SRP181000_20190129_081421_6a55596c15df4993eea3b44eace1ee7f

The RNA-seq and 16S rRNA sequencing data that support the findings of this study have been also deposited in the CNSA (<https://db.cngb.org/cnsa/>) of CNGBdb with accession number CNP0000608.

Supplemental tables contain an Excel file of RNA-sequencing, 16S rRNA sequencing, and metabolome data. Other raw data (for editor and reviewers) were deposited in figshare dataset as follows:

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- Sample size: There are four sets of animal study in current research. The sample size were 7-11 in these experiments. For the Sequencing/OMICs studies in current research, the sample size was 9-11 based on the quality of the tissue/blood/fecal samples. These sample sizes was chosen based on the previous research and the sizes are sufficient.
- Data exclusions: The details of data exclusion has been provided in the Methods.
- Replication: It is confirmed that the benefits of IF regimen on biological and behavioral disorder in db/db mice could be successfully replicated when follow the description of the method section.
- Randomization: Diabetic animals were randomly divided into several group for IF, antibiotic or metabolites treatment.
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- Antibodies used: We described all the antibodies used in the study with supplier name and identifiers in the supplemental table.
- Validation: The source/manufacturer's name of all primary antibodies were provided in the supplemental table.

Animals and other organisms

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- Laboratory animals: Male BKS.Cg-Dock7m+/+ Leprdb/J (Stock No: 000642) Homozygous Leprdb/db mice were diabetic, and heterozygous Leprdb/m mice were used as controls (denoted as db/db and db/m in the text) in the present study. Age: 4 months.
- Wild animals: The study did not involve samples collected from the field.
- Field-collected samples: The study did not involve samples collected from the field.
- Ethics oversight: All of the experimental procedures were followed using the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals: Eighth Edition (ISBN-10: 0-309-15396-4) and protocols were approved by the Northwest A&F University, and BGI Institutional Review Board on Bioethics and Biosafety (BGI-IRB).

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