

Supplementary file:

Unravelling the antimicrobial action of antidepressants on gut commensal microbes

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Table S1. Selected intestinal bacterial strains for the investigation of antibacterial activity.

Bacterial intestinal strains	Culture medium
<i>Limosilactobacillus reuteri</i> ATCC 23272	de Man Rogosa et Sharp (MRS)
<i>Lacticaseibacillus casei</i> ATCC 393	MRS
<i>Lacticaseibacillus rhamnosus</i> ATCC 53103	MRS
<i>Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. animalis</i> ATCC 25527	MRS
<i>Enterococcus faecium</i> ATCC 35667	MRS
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> ATCC 27853	Brain Heart Infusion (BHI)
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ATCC 25922	BHI
<i>Akkermansia muciniphila</i> ATCC BAA-835	BHI + 0.5% mucin
<i>Eubacterium rectale</i> ATCC 33656	Fastidious Anaerobe Broth (FAB) + 0.5% yeast extract
<i>Faecalibacterium prausnitzii</i> ATCC 27768	FAB + 0.5% yeast extract
<i>Bacteroides fragilis</i> ATCC 25285	FAB + 0.5% yeast extract
<i>Clostridium leptum</i> ATCC 29065	FAB + 0.5% yeast extract

Table S2. Solvents used for psychotropics' stock solutions

Psychotropics	Solvent
Phenelzine	Water
Venlafaxine	Dimethylsulfoxide
(S)-Citalopram	Methanol
Desipramine	Water
Bupropion	Methanol
Aripiprazole	Acetic acid

Table S3. Inhibition zones diameters (mm) of some psychotropics against bacterial strains

Strain	Psychotropic	Desipramine			Aripiprazole			Phenelzine			(S)-Citalopram		
	Concentration (mg/ml)	10	5	2.5	10	5	2.5	10	5	2.5	10	5	2.5
<i>L. rhamnosus</i> ATCC 53103		13 ± 0.22	10 ± 0.12	NI	24 ± 0.10	9 ± 0.11	NI	13 ± 0.12	NI	NI	9 ± 0.10	NI	NI
<i>B. animalis</i> ATCC 25527		25 ± 0.12	18 ± 0.20	NI	19 ± 0.11	9 ± 0.11	NI	12 ± 0.22	NI	NI	NI	NI	NI
<i>E. faecium</i> ATCC 35667		14 ± 0.21	11 ± 0.21	9 ± 0.10	17 ± 0.12	12 ± 0.21	9 ± 0.11	22 ± 0.21	17 ± 0.12	9 ± 0.14	14 ± 0.11	10 ± 0.12	NI
<i>E. rectale</i> ATCC 33656		21 ± 0.13	16 ± 0.11	10 ± 0.12	18 ± 0.12	13 ± 0.11	11 ± 0.21	12 ± 0.11	14 ± 0.10	9 ± 0.12	11 ± 0.12	NI	NI
<i>F. prausnitzii</i> ATCC 27768		22 ± 0.21	18 ± 0.11	15 ± 0.21	21 ± 0.10	17 ± 0.22	14 ± 0.11	20 ± 0.14	16 ± 0.11	13 ± 0.11	13 ± 0.11	9 ± 0.11	NI
<i>B. fragilis</i> ATCC 25285		20 ± 0.22	17 ± 0.20	14 ± 0.11	19 ± 0.11	15 ± 0.12	12 ± 0.12	13 ± 0.21	9 ± 0.10	NI	12 ± 0.21	9 ± 0.13	NI
<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 25922		21 ± 0.12	18 ± 0.12	16 ± 0.12	15 ± 0.11	12 ± 0.12	9 ± 0.11	19 ± 0.20	14 ± 0.22	10 ± 0.22	16 ± 0.12	11 ± 0.21	9 ± 0.10
<i>C. leptum</i> ATCC 29065		35 ± 0.10	29 ± 0.11	22 ± 0.21	31 ± 0.12	22 ± 0.22	19 ± 0.21	17 ± 0.11	14 ± 0.21	9 ± 0.23	20 ± 0.11	15 ± 0.22	11 ± 0.11
<i>A. muciniphila</i> ATCC BAA-835		32 ± 0.20	27 ± 0.12	20 ± 0.23	30 ± 0.13	22 ± 0.21	18 ± 0.22	21 ± 0.12	13 ± 0.12	10 ± 0.11	18 ± 0.13	14 ± 0.14	9 ± 0.13

NI: no inhibition detected

Table S4. Approximate concentrations of antidepressants reaching the human colon.

Drugs	Preclinical/clinical (mg / day) (min – max)	% reaching the colon ¹	Concentrations reaching the colon (µg/mL)		Tested concentrations (µg/mL)
			Colon volume 1* (min-max)	Colon volume 2** (min – max)	
Phenelzine	45 – 75	21	727 - 1212	20-33	75-800
Venlafaxine	75 – 225	13	750 - 2250	20-61	75-800
(S)-Citalopram	20 – 60	10	154 - 462	16-188	75-800
Desipramine	25 – 300	30	577 - 6923	21-94	75-800
Bupropion	100 - 450	10	769 - 3462	11-34	75-800
Aripiprazole	10 – 30	55	423 - 1269	4-13	75-800

¹source: <https://www.drugbank.ca>

*: Colon fluid volume = 18 mL, according to ⁴¹

** : Colon volume = 480 mL, according to ⁴²

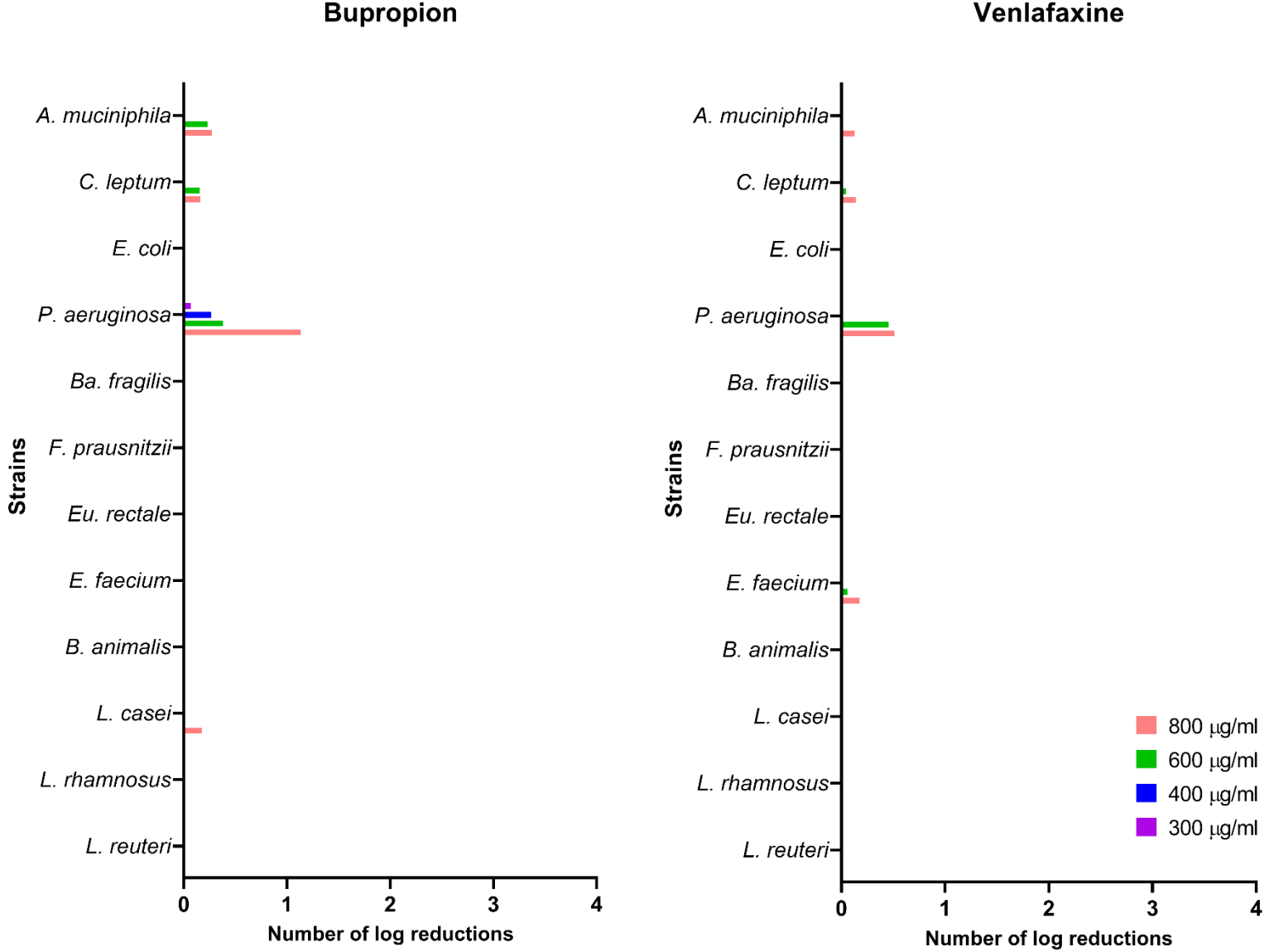


Figure S1. Logarithmic reductions of the growth of the commensal strains in the presence of bupropion and venlafaxine.

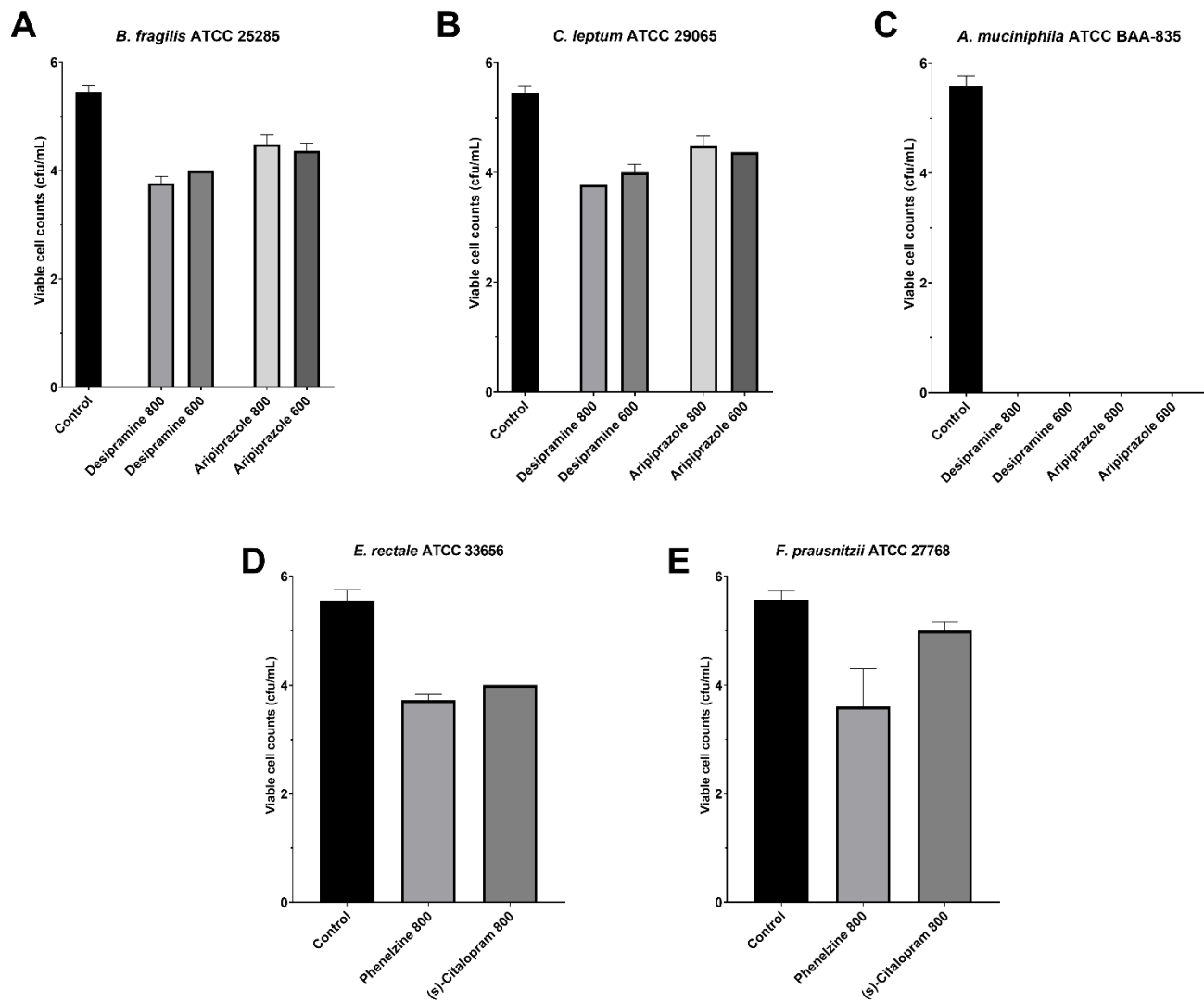


Figure S2. Bactericidal effect of desipramine, aripiprazole, phenelzine, and (s)-citalopram incubated for 16h at 600 and 800 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ against tested bacterial strains. All treatments were statistically significant compared to control, which corresponds to initial inoculum cell counts (cfu/mL).

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