

PRE, PRO AND SYNBIOTICS:

What You Need to Know for Eating Disorders.

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P R O B I O T I C S



THE LESSON

More CFU's doesn't = better!

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REGISTERED DIETITIAN

Experience in clinical settings, outpatient treatment and now virtual private practice

GUT HEALTH SPECIALIST

Focused my doctorate training on gut-related research and have my own personal experience with 20+ years of digestive issues



PLAN FOR TODAY

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DEFINE THE
TERMS

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**DEFINE THE
TERMS**

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**RESEARCH
ON PRO AND
PREBIOTICS**

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WHEN TO USE
THEM

PROBIOTICS

Probiotics are live microorganisms that are intended to have health benefits when consumed or applied to the body

PREBIOTICS

Specialized plant fibers. They act like fertilizers that stimulate the growth of bacteria in the gut

SYNBIOTIC

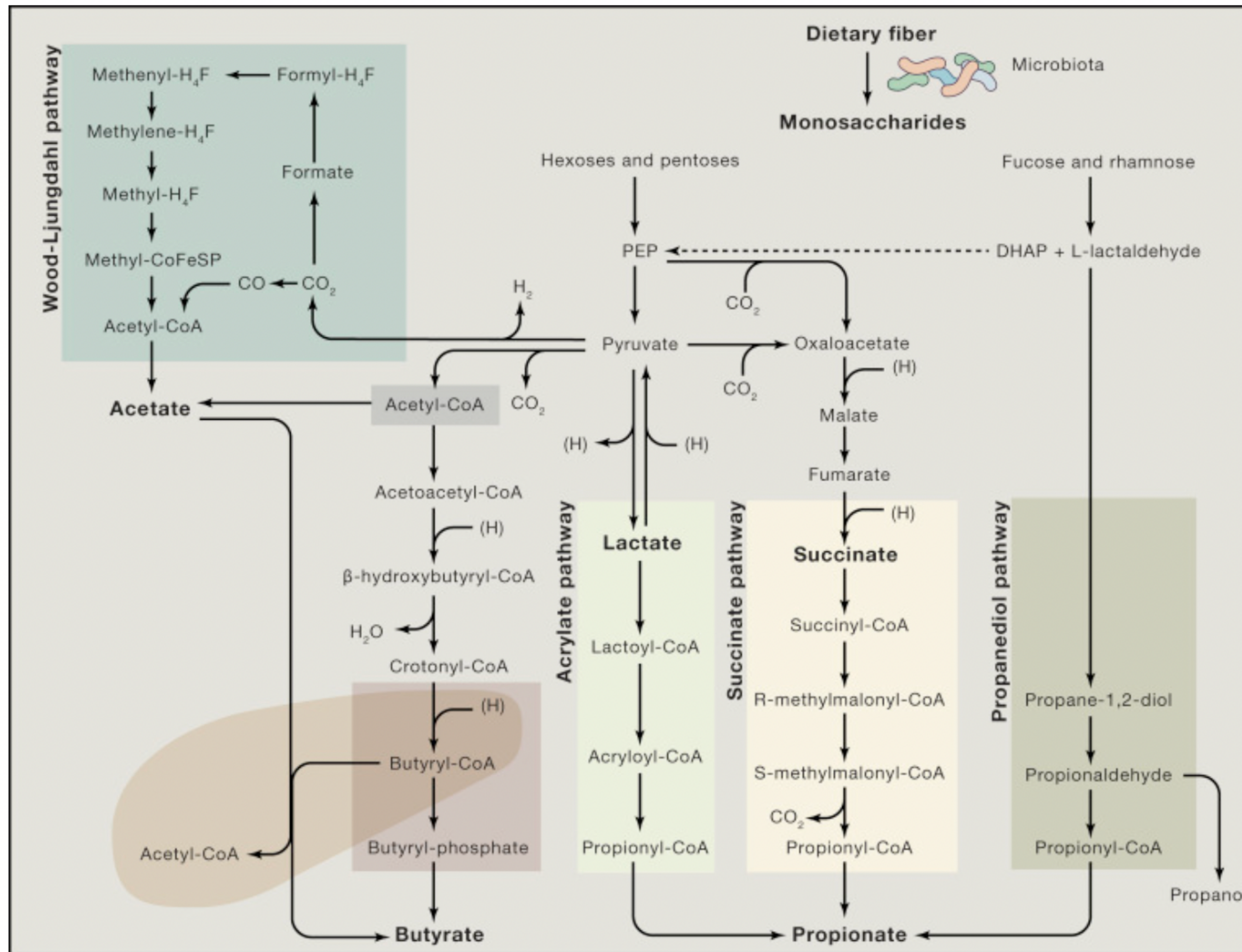
Synbiotics refer to food ingredients or dietary supplements combining probiotics and prebiotics in a form of synergism

SCFA

SHORT CHAIN FATTY ACID:

Short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs) are the main metabolites produced by the microbiota in the large intestine through the anaerobic fermentation of indigestible polysaccharides such as dietary fiber and resistant starch.

SCFAs might influence gut-brain communication and brain function directly or indirectly.

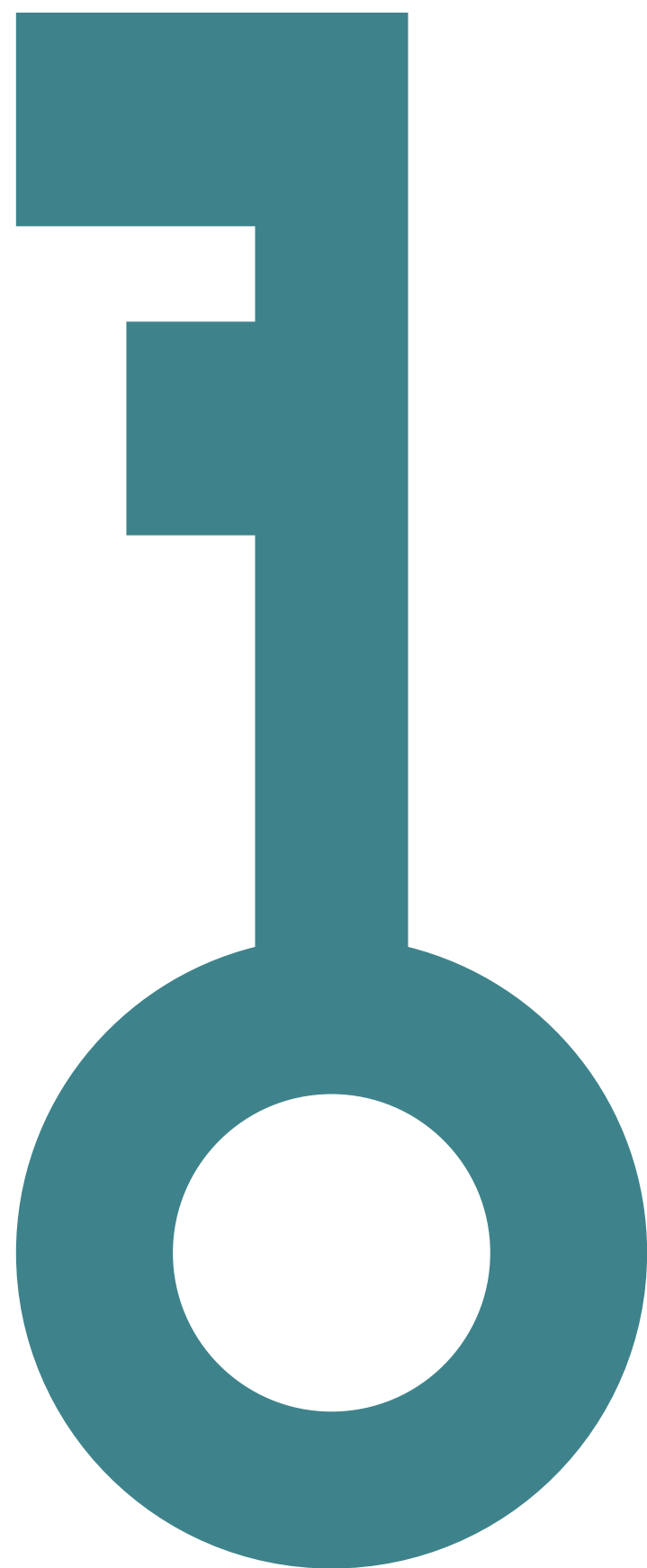




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AKKERMANSIA MUCINIPHILA



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BIFIDOBACTERIA

SPORES VS. LIVE AND ACTIVE CULTURES





GUT/BACTERIA PRESENCE	ANOREXIA NERVOSA
TOTAL ABUNDANCE	DECREASED
SHORT CHAIN FATTY ACIDS	DECREASED
METHANOBREVIBACTER	INCREASED
MUCIN-DEGRADERS	INCREASED
EUBACTERIUM/ROSEBURIA (IMMUNE BALANCE)	DECREASED

MINI REVIEW article

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The Gut Microbiome in Anorexia Nervosa: Friend or Foe?

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The human gut microbiome is emerging as a modulator of host metabolism, with far-reaching implications for various multifactorial diseases, including anorexia nervosa (AN). The significance of the gut microbiome in the pathophysiology of this eating disorder are poorly understood, but the classical view defining AN as a purely psychiatric condition is increasingly being challenged. Accumulating evidence from comparative studies of AN and healthy fecal microbial composition reveals considerable low divergence and altered taxonomic abundance of the AN gut microbiome. When integrated with preclinical data, these findings point to a significant role of the gut microbiome in AN pathophysiology, via effects on host energy metabolism, intestinal permeability, immune function, appetite, and behavior. While complex causal relationships between genetic risk factors, dietary patterns and microbiome, and their relevance for AN onset and perpetuation have not been fully elucidated, preliminary

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Review > Int J Mol Sci. 2021 Feb 26;22(5):2351. doi: 10.3390/ijms22052351.

Effects of Microbiota Imbalance in Anxiety and Eating Disorders: Probiotics as Novel Therapeutic Approaches

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Abstract

Anxiety and eating disorders produce a physiological imbalance that triggers alterations in the abundance and composition of gut microbiota. Moreover, the gut-brain axis can be altered by several factors such as diet, lifestyle, infections, and antibiotic treatment. Diet alterations generate gut dysbiosis, which affects immune system responses, inflammation mechanisms, the intestinal permeability, as well as the production of short chain fatty acids and neurotransmitters by gut microbiota, which are essential to the correct function of neurological processes. Recent studies

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RESEARCH

Microbiota, anorexia nervosa: The angle between bacterial species, metabolites and psychological tests

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Review > [Genome Med.](#) 2016 May 10;8(1):52. doi: 10.1186/s13073-016-0300-5.

Alterations in fecal microbiota composition by probiotic supplementation in healthy adults: a systematic review of randomized controlled trials

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Background: The effects of probiotic supplementation on fecal microbiota composition in healthy adults have not been well established. We aimed to provide a systematic review of the potential evidence for an effect of probiotic supplementation on the composition of human fecal microbiota as assessed by high-throughput molecular approaches in randomized controlled trials (RCTs) of healthy adults.

Methods: The survey of peer-reviewed papers was performed on 17 August 2015 by a literature search through PubMed, SCOPUS, and ISI Web of Science. Additional papers were identified by checking references of relevant papers. Search terms included healthy adult, probiotic, bifidobacterium, lactobacillus, gut microbiota, fecal microbiota, intestinal microbiota, intervention, and (clinical) trial. RCTs of solely probiotic supplementation and placebo in healthy adults that

RESEARCH

> Food Nutr Res. 2018 Jul 4;62. doi: 10.29219/fnr.v62.1218. eCollection 2018.

Bacillus coagulans MTCC 5856 for the management of major depression with irritable bowel syndrome: a randomised, double-blind, placebo controlled, multi-centre, pilot clinical study

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Abstract

Background: The modification of microbial ecology in human gut by supplementing probiotics may be an alternative strategy to ameliorate or prevent depression.

Objective: The current study was conducted to assess the safety and efficacy of the probiotic strain *Bacillus coagulans* MTCC 5856 for major depressive disorder (MDD) in IBS patients.

Method: Patients ($n = 40$) diagnosed for MDD with IBS were randomized (1:1) to receive placebo or *B. coagulans* MTCC 5856 at a daily dose of 2×10^9 cfu (2 billion spores) and were maintained to the end of double-blind treatment (90 days). Changes from baseline in clinical symptoms of MDD and IBS were evaluated through questionnaires.

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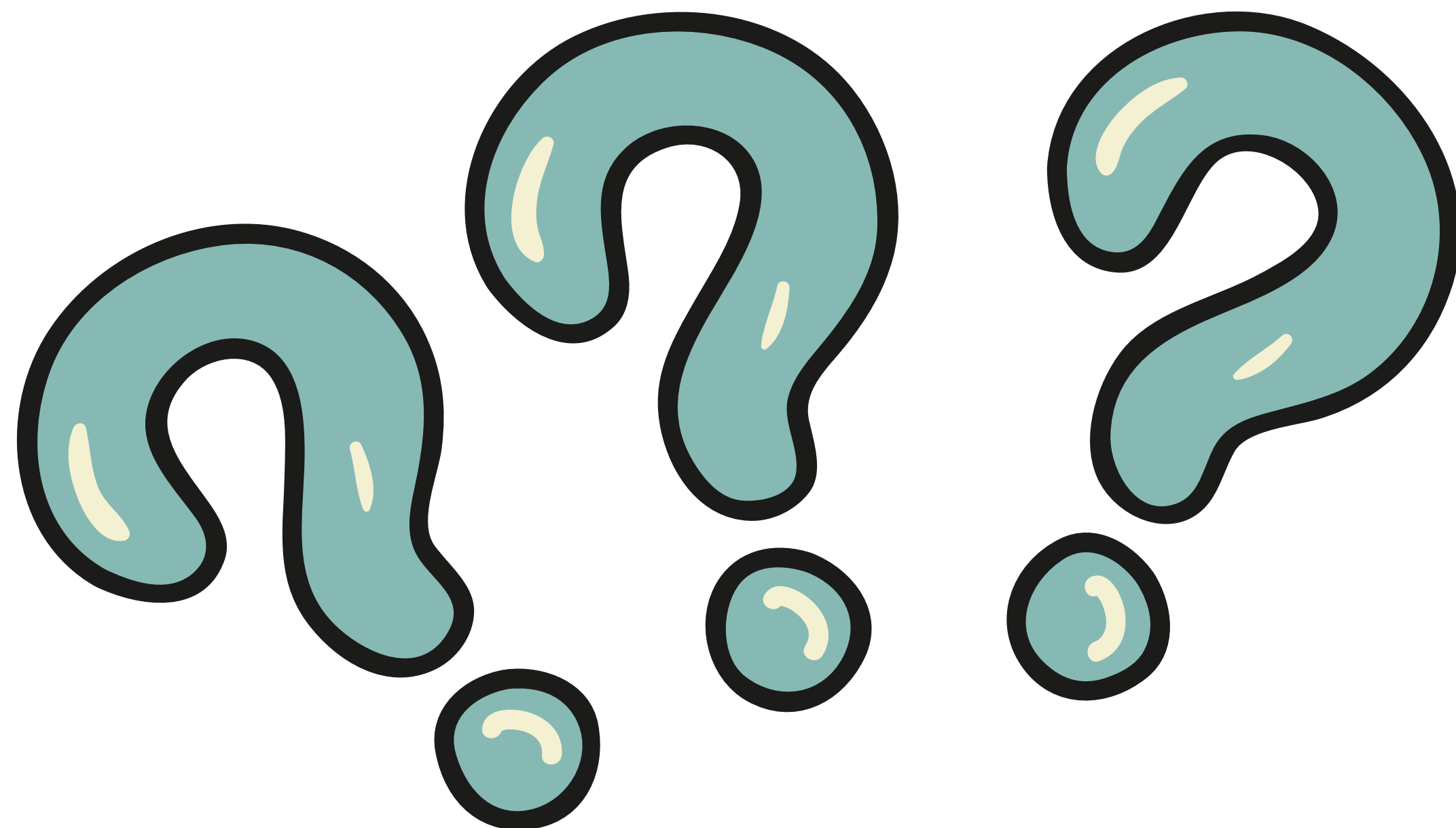
DIFFERENT SOLUTIONS

**LIVE AND
ACTIVE
CULTURES**

**PREBIOTIC
FIBERS**

**SPORE BASED
PROBIOTICS**

SYNBIOTICS



838 DAYS

ORDER OF EVENTS

SPORES

ORDER OF EVENTS

SPORES

PREBIOTIC
FIBER

ORDER OF EVENTS

SPORES

**PREBIOTIC
FIBER**

**DIETARY
DIVERSITY**

OBSTACLES & CHALLENGES

OVERALL GOAL:

SCFA PRODUCTION

PRODUCTS

SPORE BASED PROBIOTICS



SYNBIOTICS



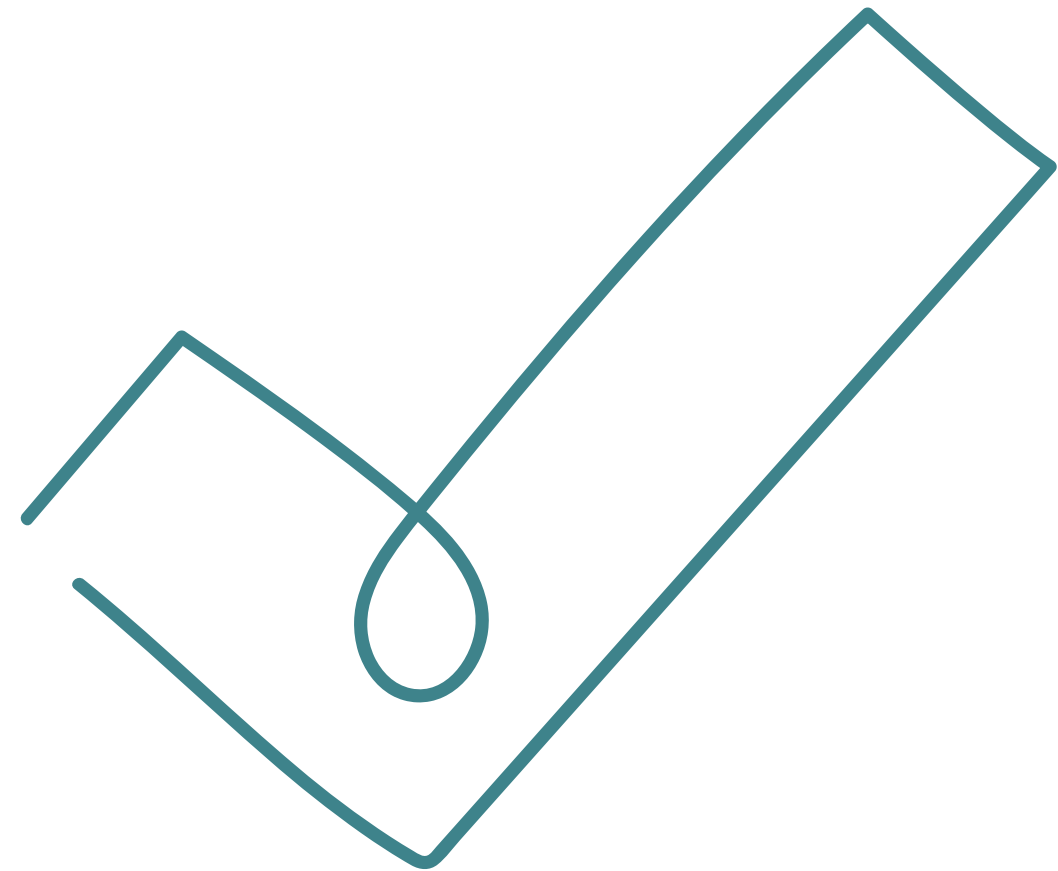
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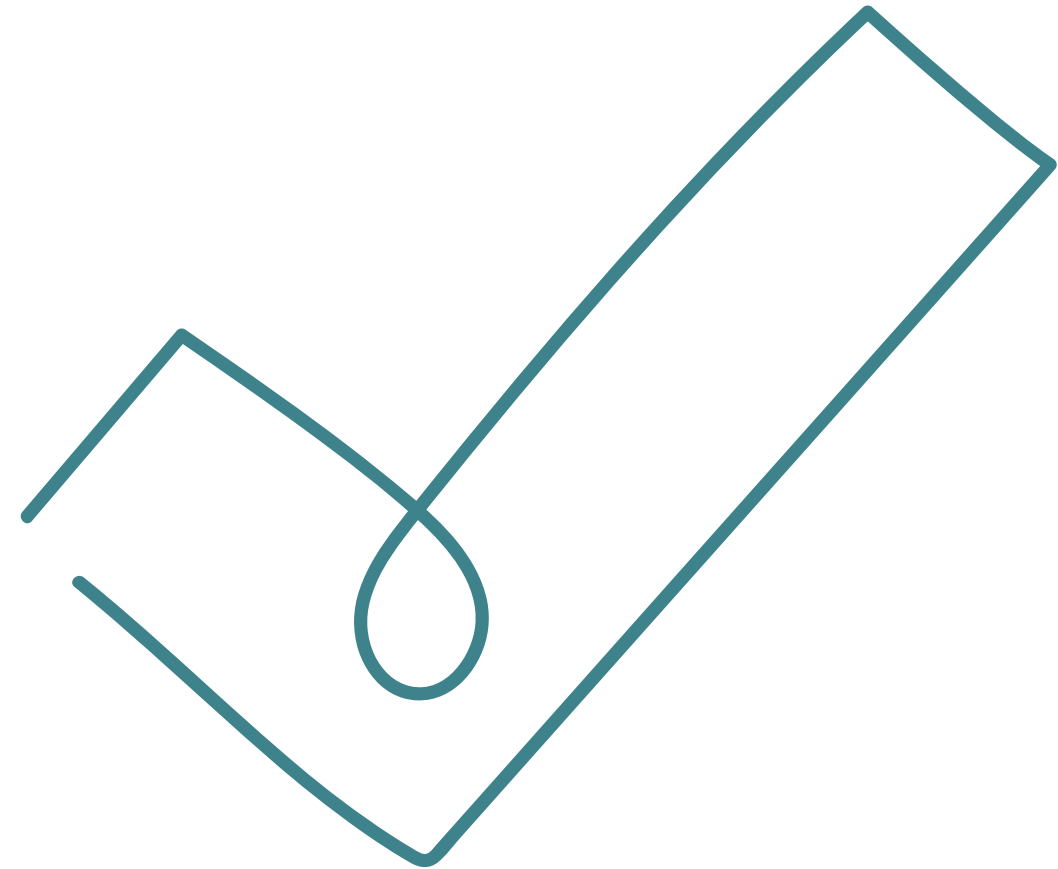
**SYMPTOMS
WITH
REPOPULATION**

TAKEAWAYS



PROBIOTIC TAKEAWAY

- You don't need the most expensive or highest CFU probiotic
- Spores could be a novel approach in reseeded + improving SCFA production
- Go SLOW



PREBIOTIC TAKEAWAY

- Necessary for probiotic survival
- Go SLOW

**PROBIOTICS, PREBIOTICS
AND SYNBIOTICS CAN BE
USED AS A NOVEL
APPROACH TO EATING
DISORDERS**

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