

# Effects of Lactobacillales Supplementation in a Rat Model of Short Bowel Syndrome (SBS)

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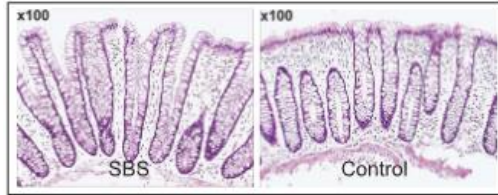
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# Short Bowel Syndrome (SBS)

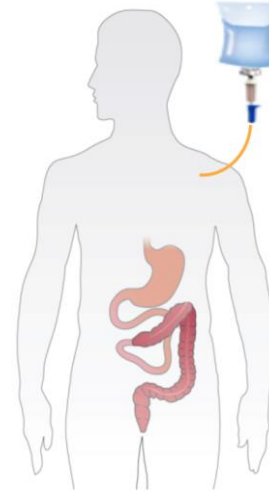
## Spontaneous adaptations

### Morphological intestinal adaptation

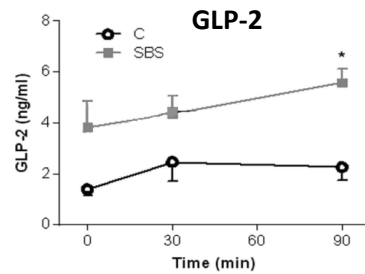
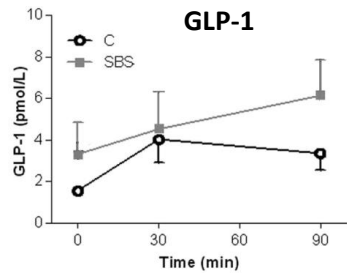


Extensive resection of the intestine

Nutritional support through parenteral nutrition



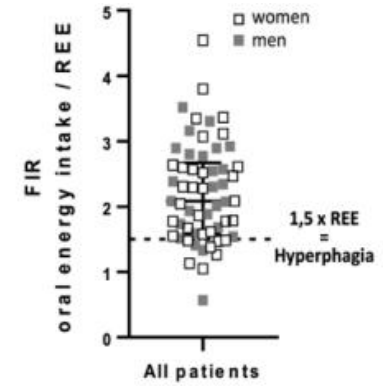
### Functional intestinal adaptation



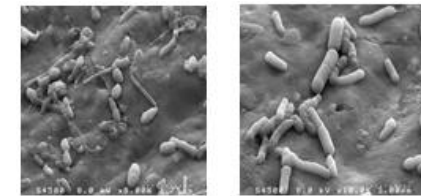
Post-duodenal length < 1,5 - 2m

**Severe MALABSORPTION**  
**First cause of chronic intestinal failure**

### Modification of eating behavior



### Microbiota modification

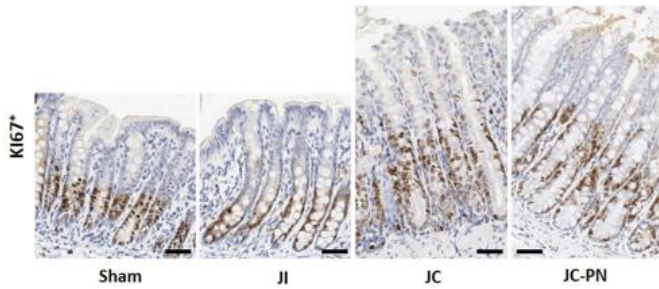


**Control**                      **SBS**  
90% *Lactobacillus*  
**Lactobiota**

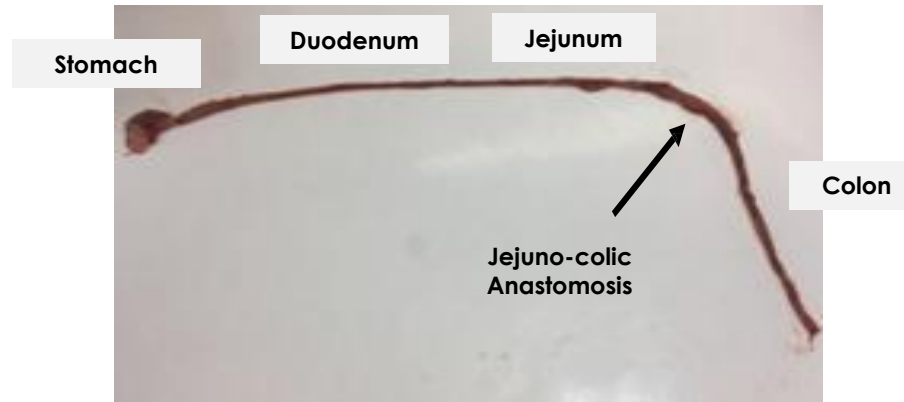
# Adaptations in a pre-clinical model of SBS

## Spontaneous adaptations

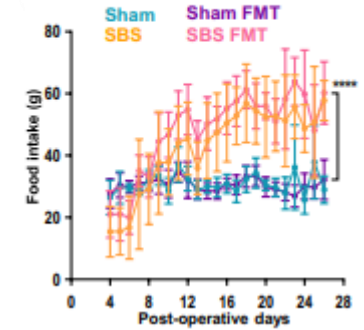
### Morphological intestinal adaptation



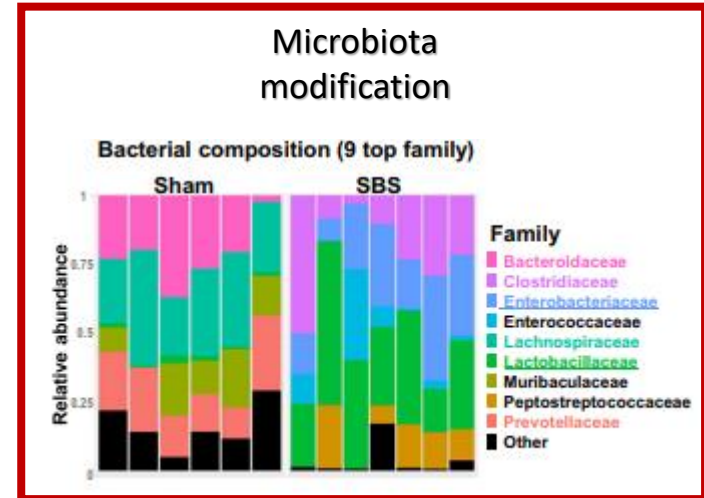
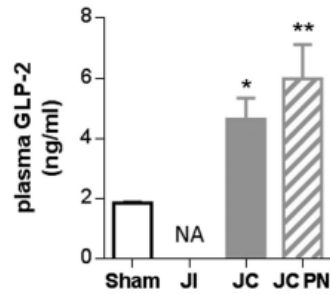
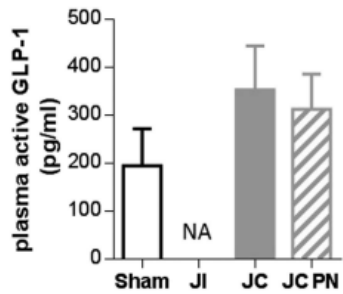
SBS rats



### Modification of eating behavior



### Functional intestinal adaptation



Key factor?

# SBS Microbiota : Role in the adaptations setting

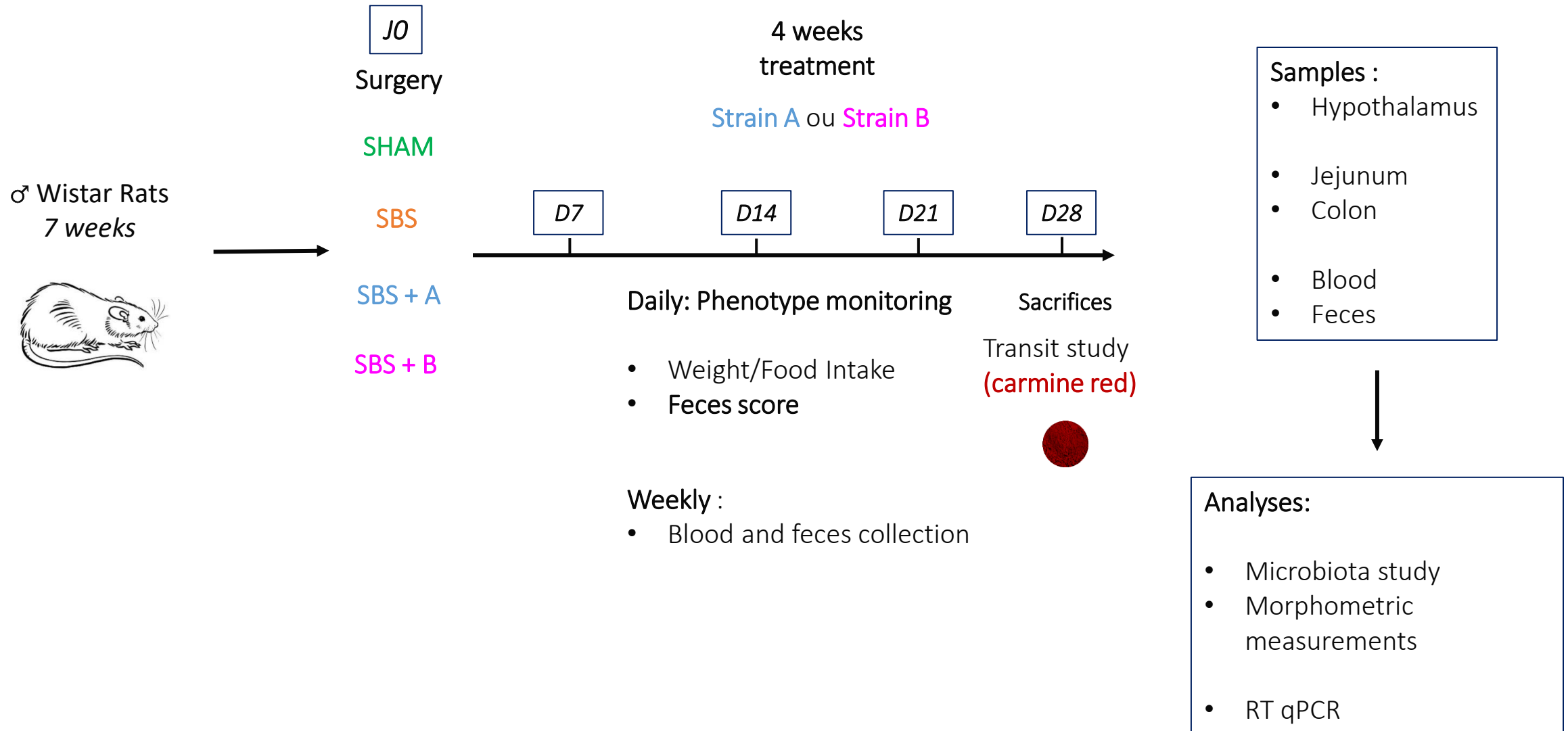
## Previous studies in our team:

- Transfer of SBS microbiota to axenic rats  
→ Setting of adaptations observed in SBS patients : SBS-like Microbiota + High concentrations of GLP-1 and ghrelin  
*Gillard et al, 2017*
- Level of food intake in SBS rats positively correlated with Lactobacillaceae abundance  
*Fourati et al, 2023*
- Muriel Thomas' team (INRAE, Micalis) → Isolation of probiotic *Lactobacillus* strains from the SBS microbiota  
*Giron et al, 2021*

## AIM :

→ Study the effect of supplementation with 2 strains on the setting of spontaneous adaptations in a rat model of short bowel syndrome.

# Design of the experiment

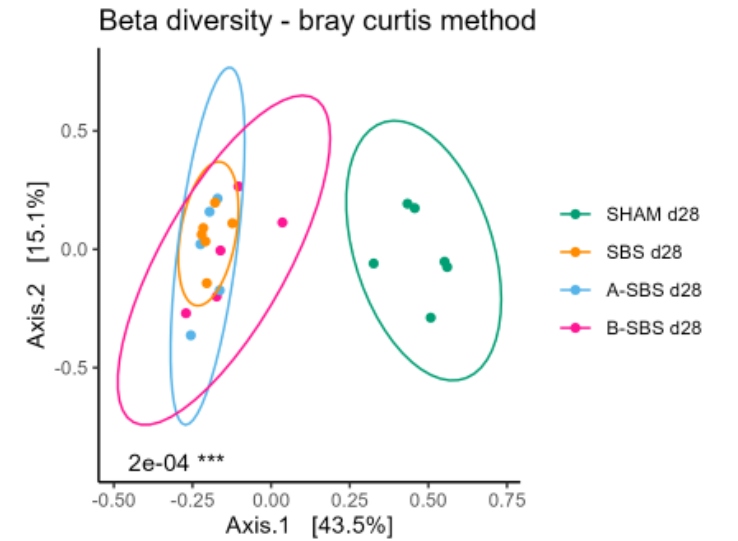
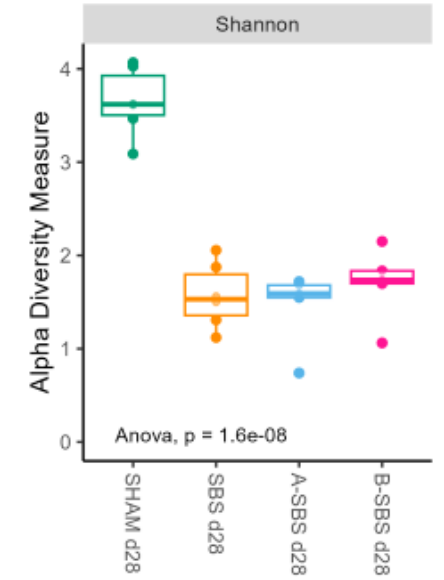
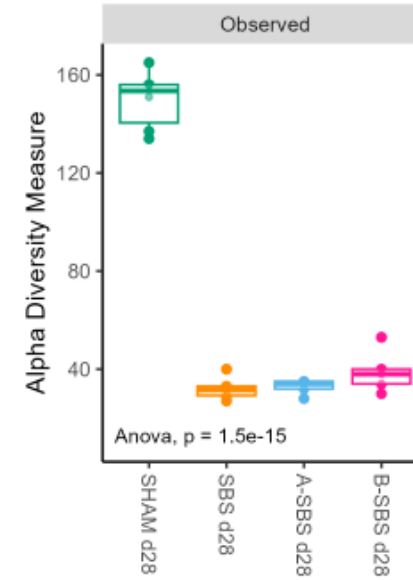
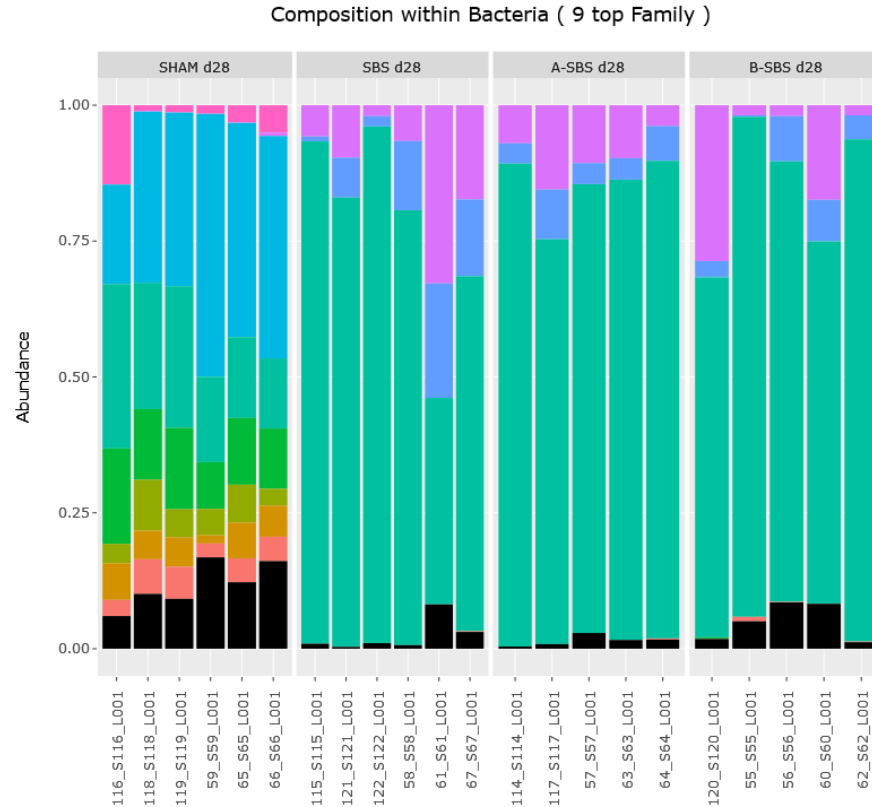


# Microbiota composition and alpha/beta diversity after 1 month of supplementation

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Family

- Bacteroidaceae
- Clostridiaceae
- Enterobacteriaceae
- Lachnospiraceae
- Lactobacillaceae
- Muribaculaceae
- Oscillospiraceae
- Prevotellaceae
- Ruminococcaceae
- Other



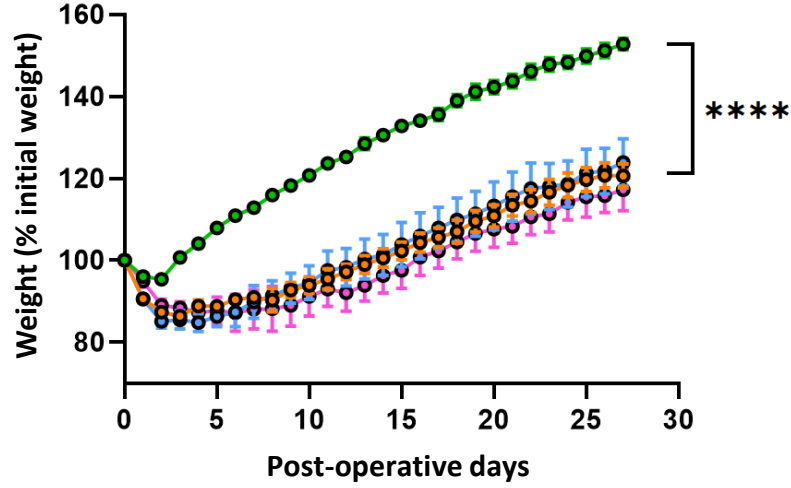
- Large majority of Lactobacillaceae in the SBS microbiota
- Reduced alpha and beta diversities in SBS rats

➔ No major changes in the microbiota composition with the supplementation

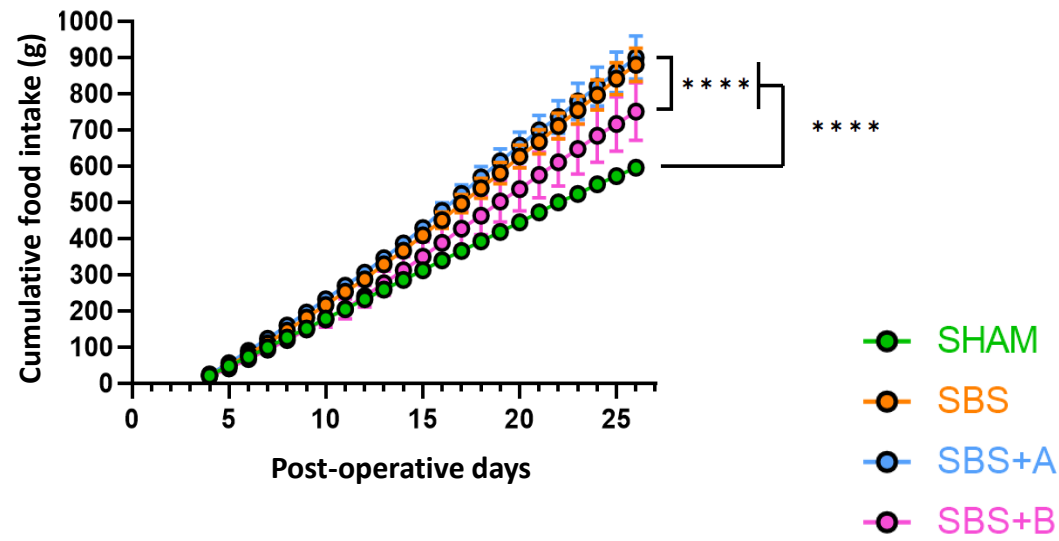
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# Impact of strains A or B supplementation on SBS phenotype

## Weight

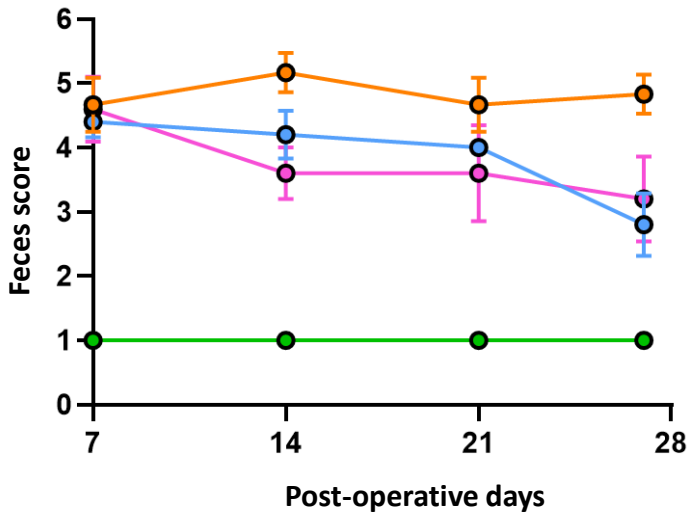


## Food Intake



• Increased food intake in SBS rats  
 • SBS+B rats eat less than the others SBS groups

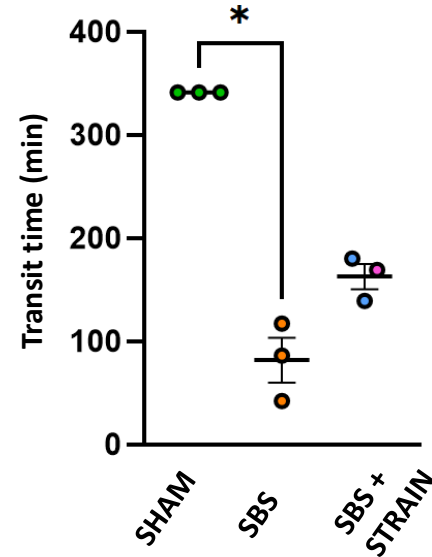
## Feces score



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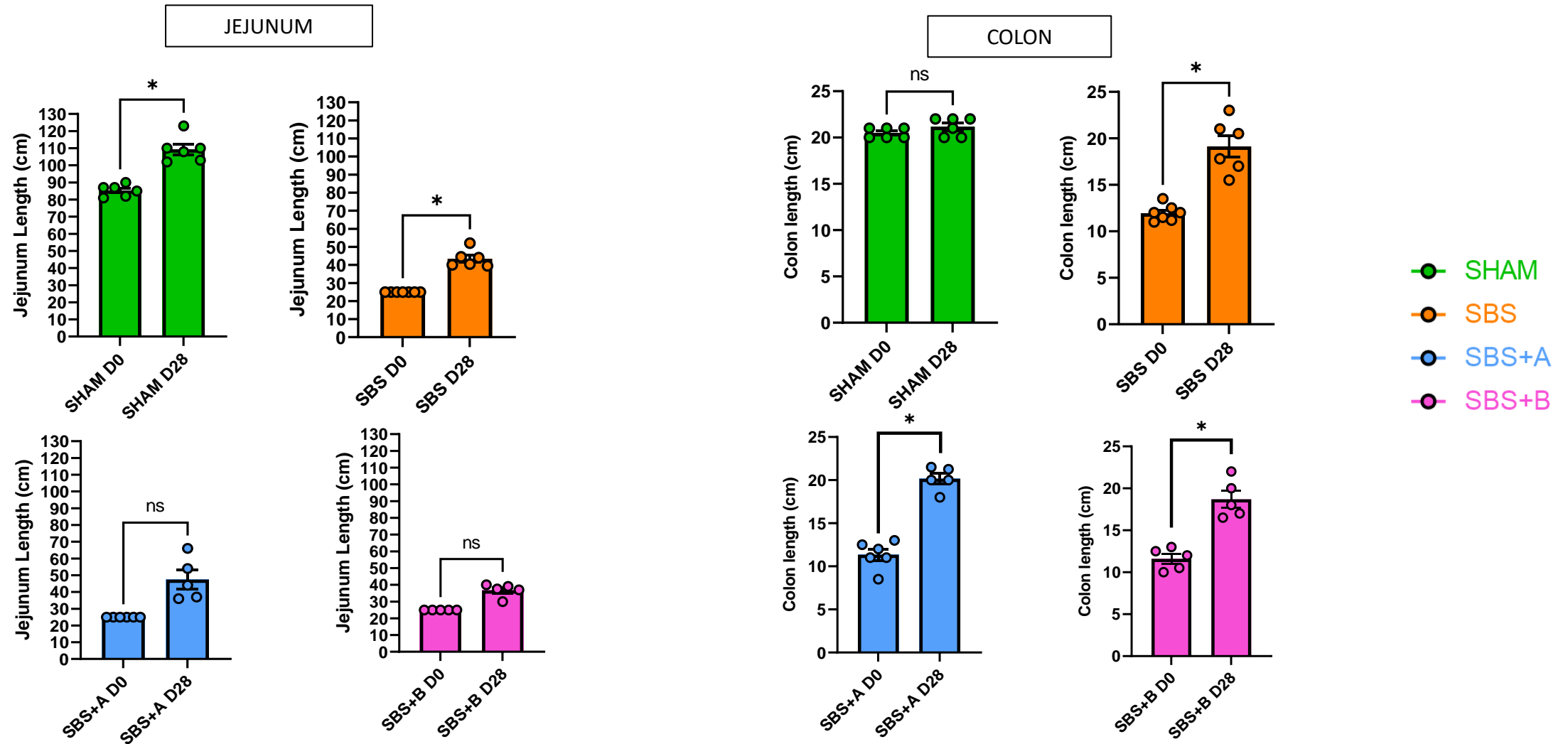
- 6 = severe diarrhea
- 5 = diarrhea
- 4 = soft feces + diarrhea
- 3 = soft feces
- 2 = moulded feces + soft feces
- 1 = moulded feces

## Transit time



Less diarrhea with slowed transit time in SBS supplemented groups

# Measurements of jejunum and colon lengths in SBS rats

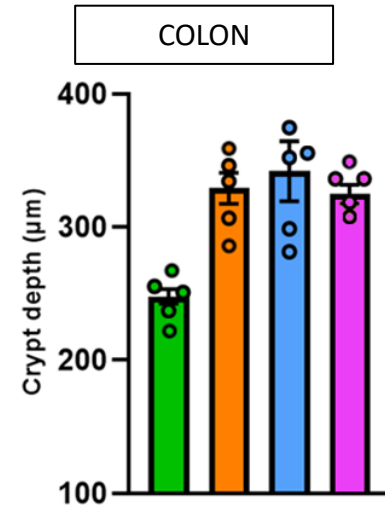
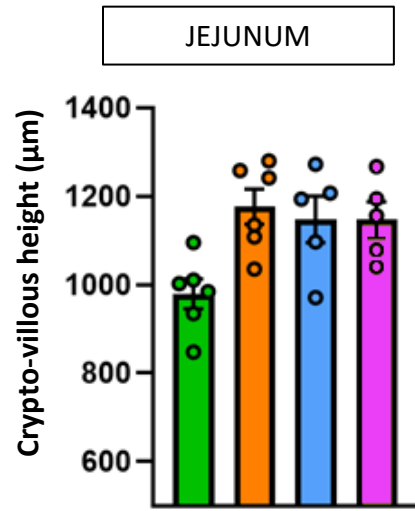


- Increased jejunum and colon lengths in SBS rats at D28
- No effect of the supplementation with the two strains on these parameters

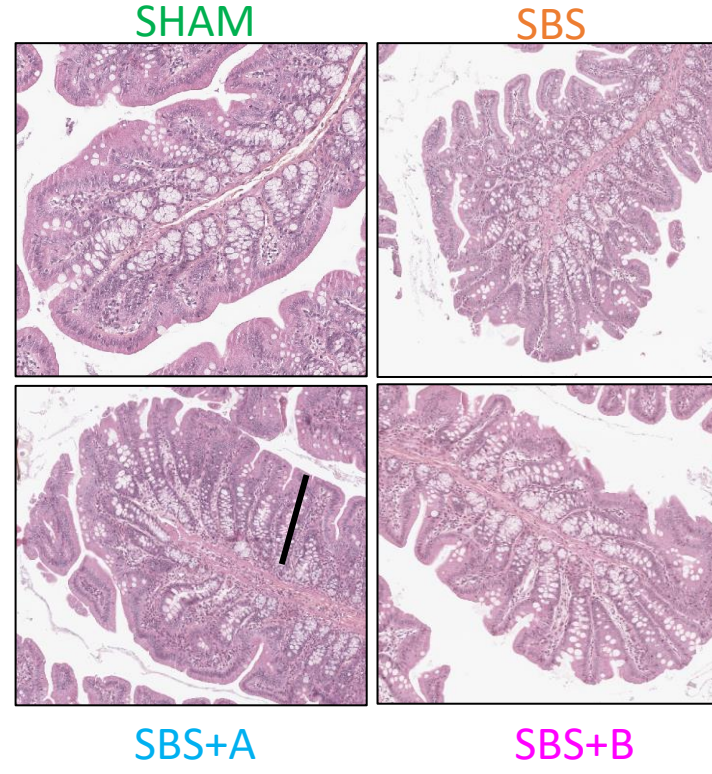
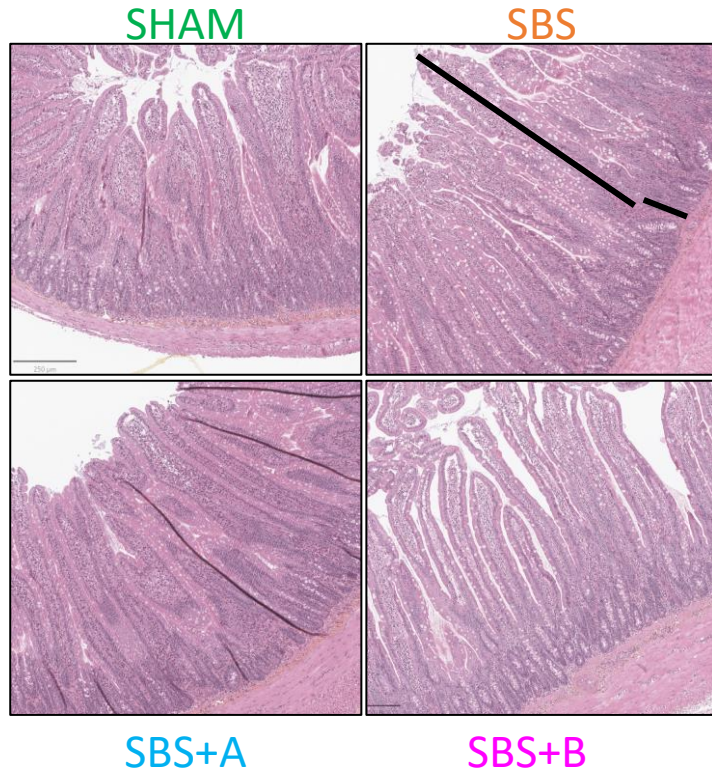


# Jejunal and colonic hyperplasia analysis

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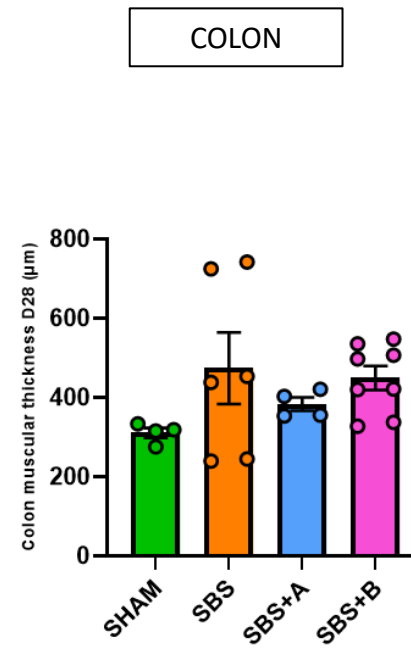
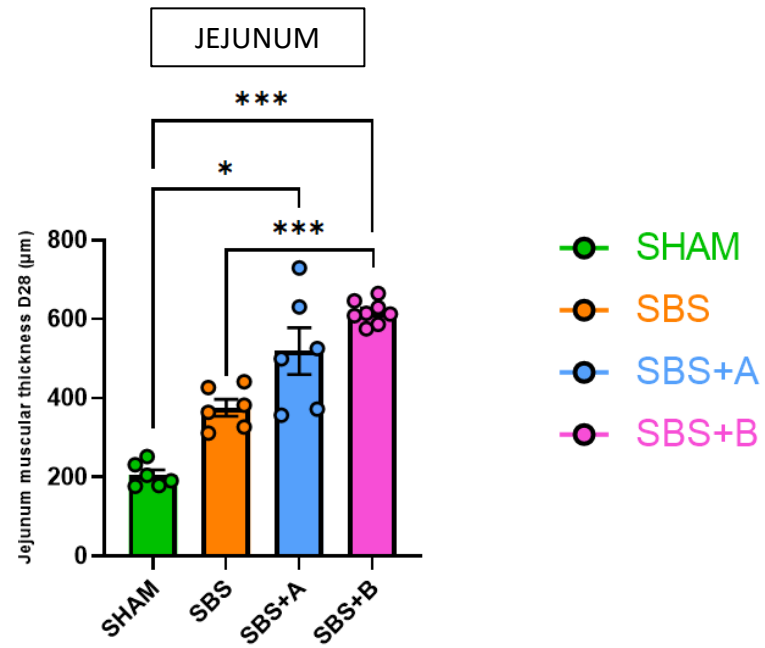


- SHAM
- SBS
- SBS+A
- SBS+B

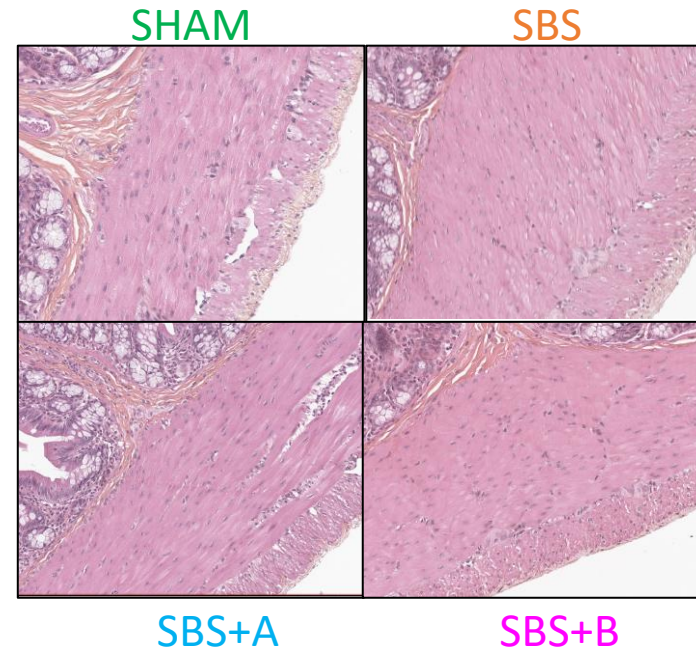
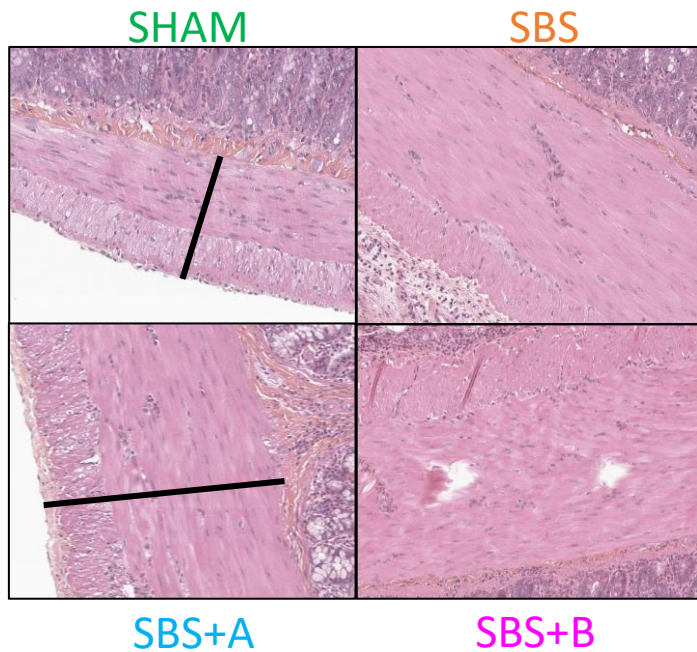


- Increased depth of the jejunal and colic crypts in all SGC rats
- No major effects of the supplementation on these parameters

# Measurement of the Thickness of the Jejunal Muscularis in SBS Rats



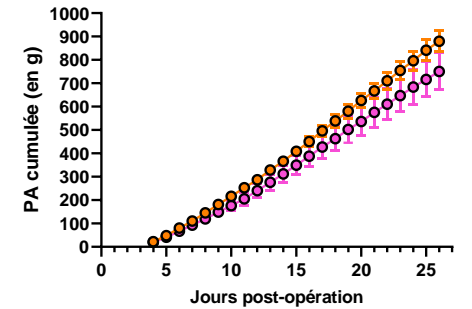
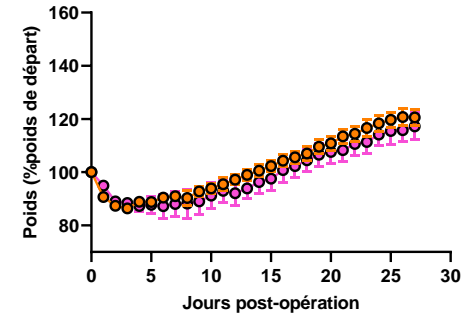
- Significant increase in jejunal muscularis thickness in treated SBS rats, particularly in SBS+B rats.



## Conclusion

### Impact of *Lactobacillales* Supplementation

- $\nabla$  of food intake in **SGC+B** : gain as many weight as the other groups  
→ **positive effect of the strain B on weight gain?**
- Improvement in faeces : less diarrhea  
→ **better water absorption?**
- Improved transit time : more time for nutrient absorption  
→ **positive effect on absorption?**
- $\nearrow$  in the thickness of the jejunal muscularis  
→ **positive effect on absorption?**



**Strains A and B appear to have had a positive effect on different parameters**

→ **Could they be an effective therapy?**

→ **Efficacy compared to existing therapies?**



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