





Oral microbiome

- ≥600 taxa predominating at different habitats (Dewhirst et al 2010).
- Can be found in healthy and disease-affected subjects.
- Substantial increase of certain bacteria in oral disease patients
 - ➡ Imbalance among oral ecosystems (Becker et al 2002; Aas et al 2005).
- Oral infections **>** <u>Commensals</u> + Host + Environment.



Oral microbiomes (cont.)



- A model for plaque microbiome:
 - 1. Salivary pellicle coating the teeth
 - 2. Initial attachment of *Streptococcus* to the pellicle
 - 3. Binding of a variety of other colonizers (Corynebacterium)
 - 4. Formation of *Streptococcus* at the distal tips of the filaments

5. Formation of other colonizers e.g. Neisseriaceae, Fusobacterium, Capnocytophaga, and Leptotrichia clusters in low-O₂, high-CO₂ environment (annulus)





Interspecies interaction between C. durum and SK36



Scale bars = 50 μm. n = 3. Treerat *et al* 2020

Chain elongation induction in other S. sanguinis strains by C. durum



Scale bars = 10 μm. Treerat *et al* 2020

No morphological changes in other streptococci by C. durum



- S. gordonii DL1 (Sg)
- S. parasanguinis (Sp)
- S. mutans UA159 (Sm)
- S. oralis J22 (So)

Specific interaction between oral





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C. durum produces certain fatty acids during growth





Wang et al 2018



Prados-Rosales et al 2014

Membrane vesicles (MVs)

- Nano-sized, spherical, double-layered particles (10-400 nm).
- Contain various molecules e.g. proteins, nucleic acids and lipids.
- MVs content determines the roles of MVs:
 - Survival
 - Intercellular communication/interaction
 - Material exchange
 - Pathogenesis
- Environmental factors affect MVs production and composition.

C. durum MVs induce SK36 chain elongation



BHI

Free f 0.0

MVs (BHI)

C. durum



MVs (BHI w/o)





Scale bars = 10 μ m, n = 3. Treerat *et al* 2020

C. durum MVs in biofilm condition



Treerat et al 2020





- Strain-specific, beneficial interactions between C. durum and S. sanguinis >> Oral cavity protection
- C. durum can produce membrane vesicles containing fatty acids for interactions with S. sanguinis
- Glucose affects C. durum fatty acid production >> Interactions with S. sanguinis







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