



Microbial architecture and enterotypes for improved nitrogen utilization efficiency in fattening pigs

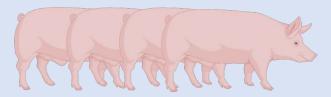
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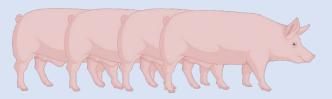
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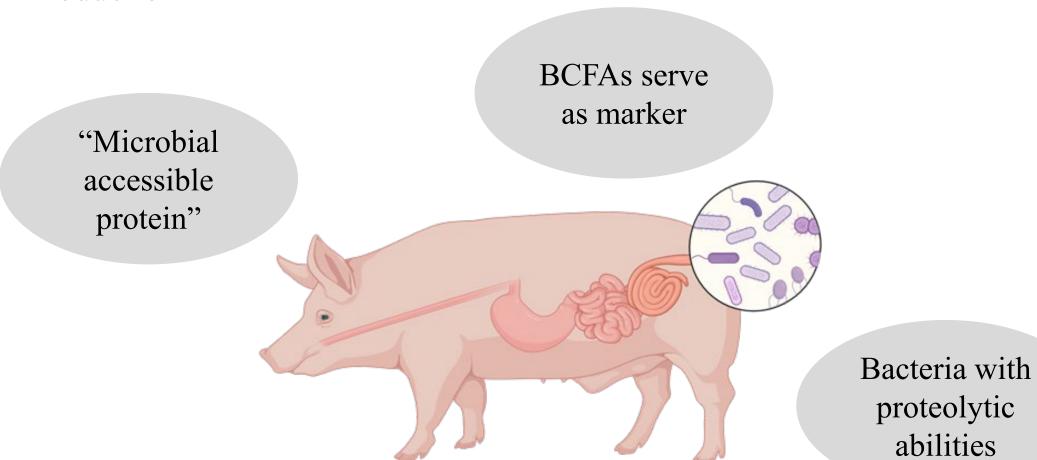
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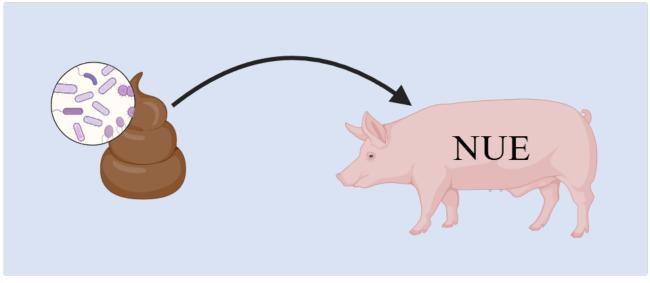


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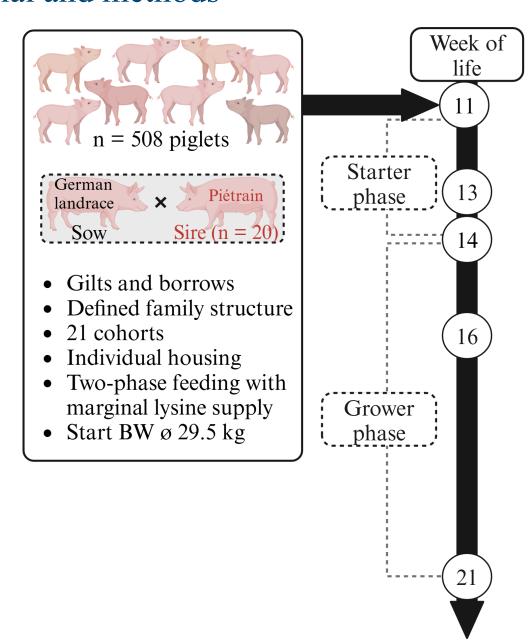


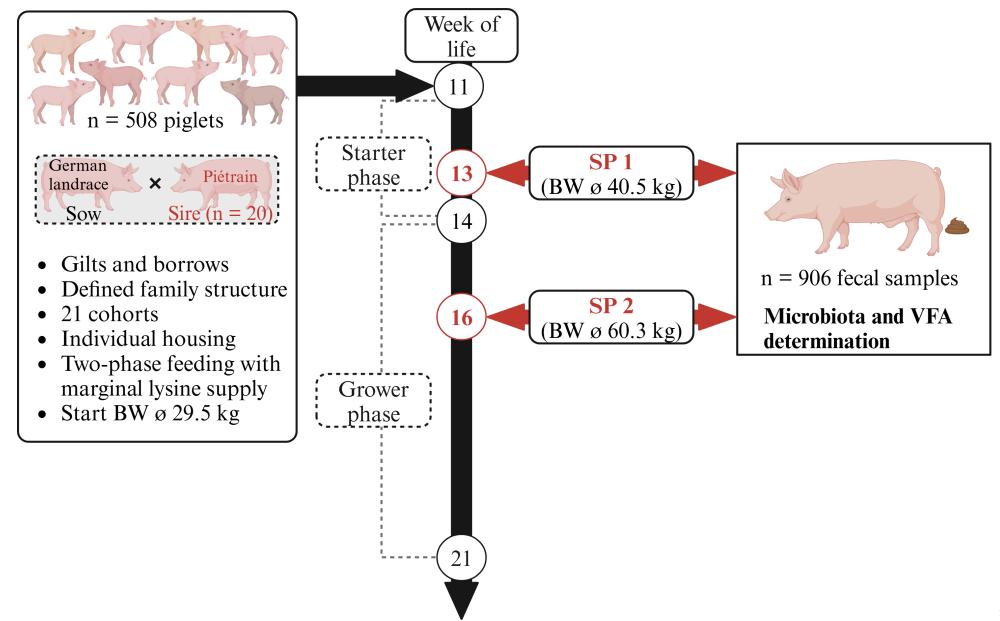
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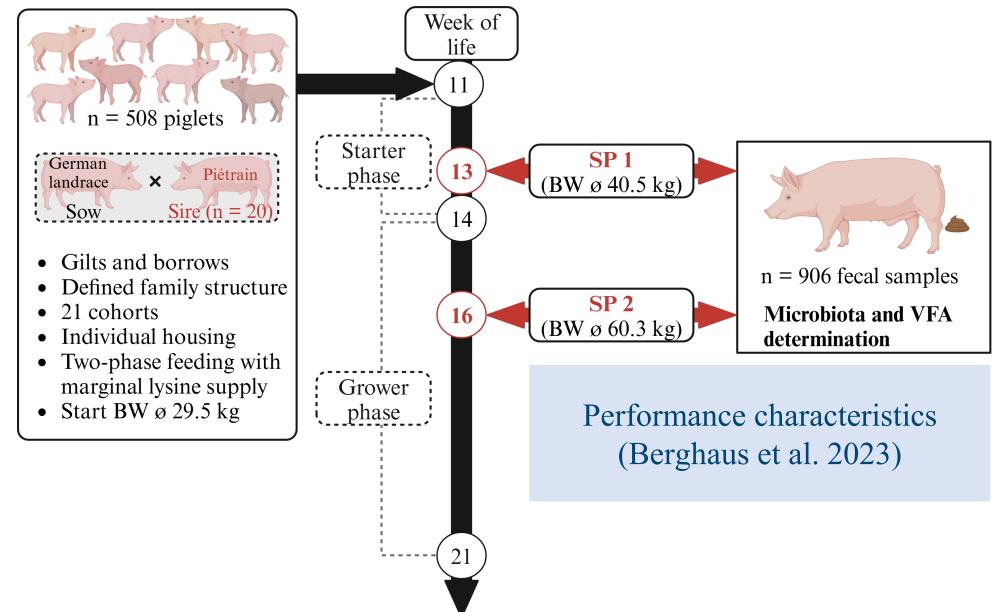


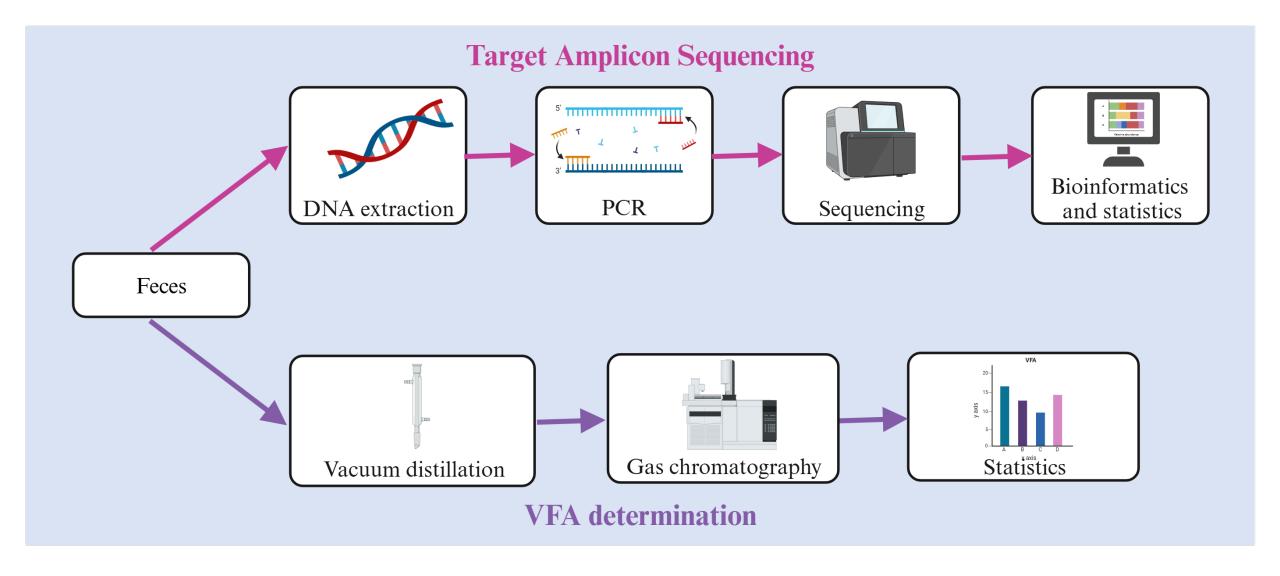


- to reveal the interrelationship between the **fecal microbiota** of fattening pigs with a defined family structure, their produced **metabolites**, and **NUE**.









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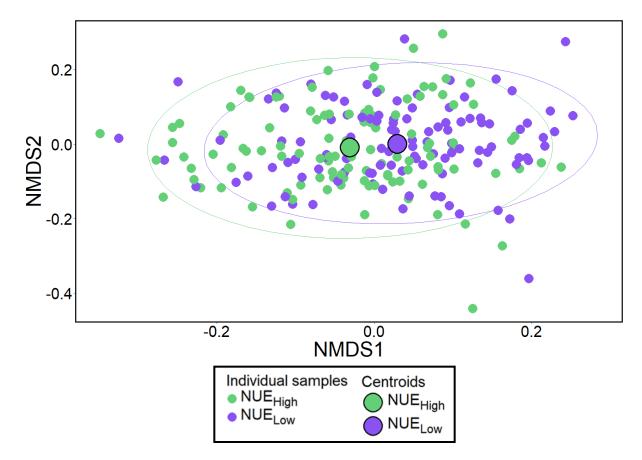
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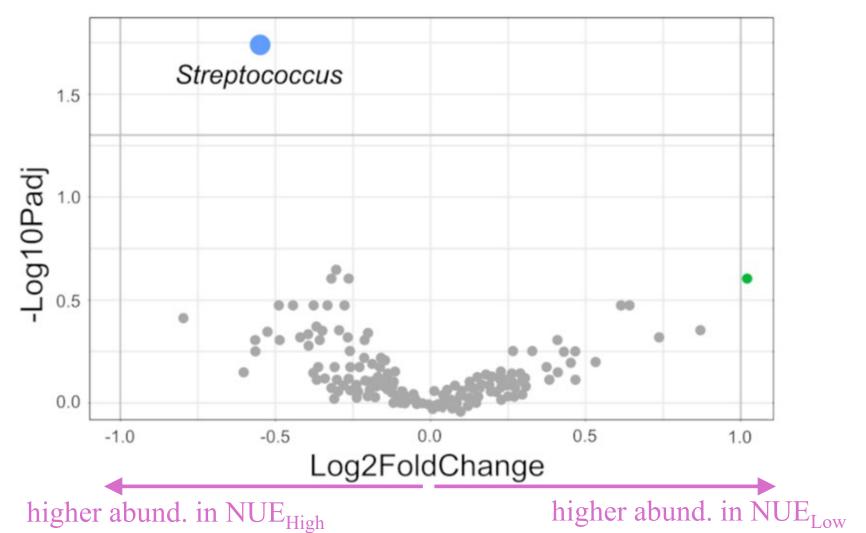
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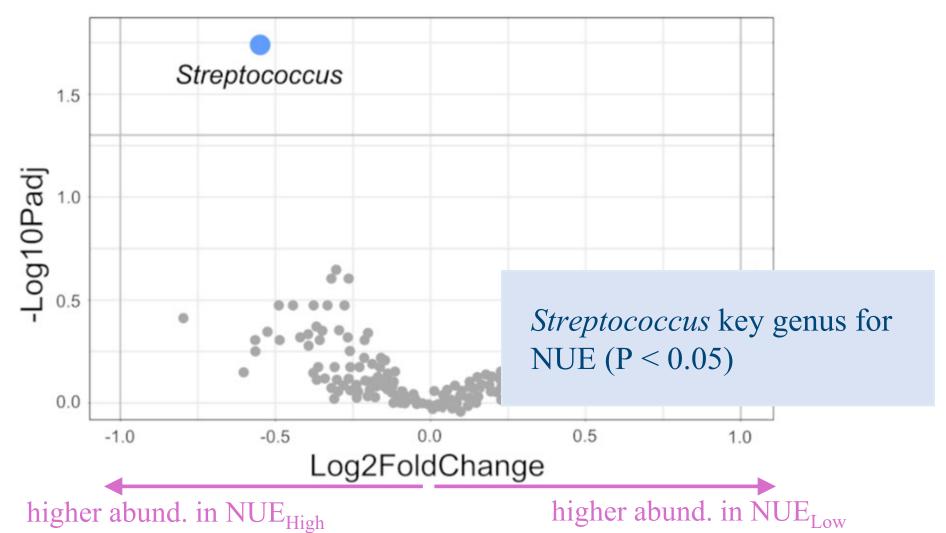


NUE_{High} vs. NUE_{Low} SP 1: P < 0.001; SP 2: P = 0.06

LinDA model for the comparison of NUE_{High} and NUE_{Low} group in SP 1

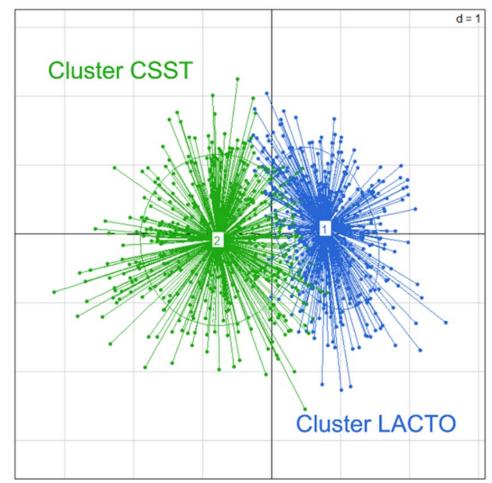


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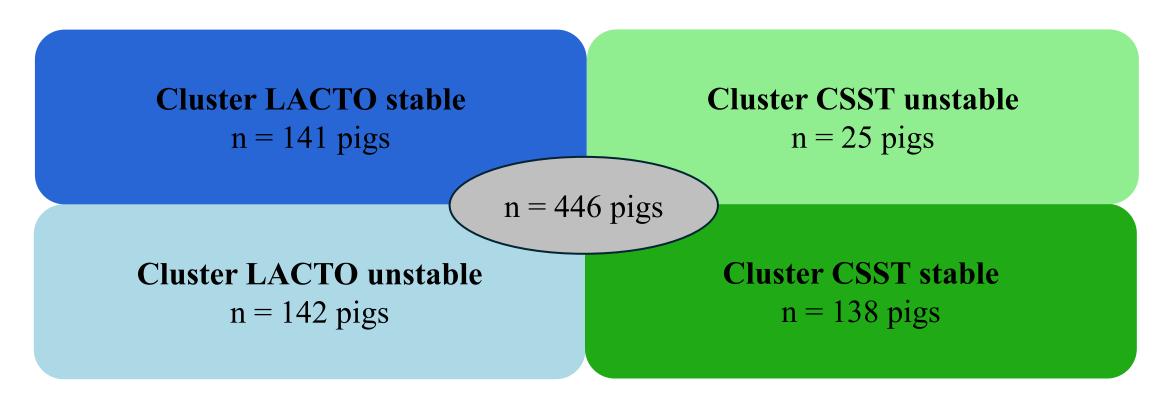
Could we group the whole data set? (both SPs)

Cluster
Clostridium sensu stricto



Cluster *Lactobacillus*

Stability from SP 1 to SP 2

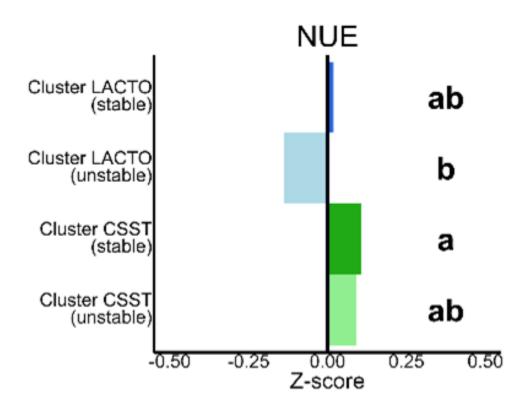


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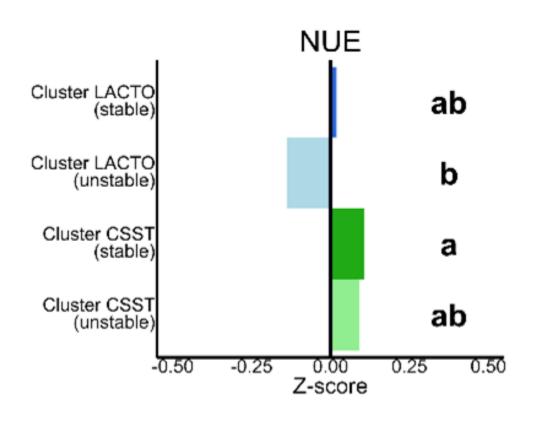
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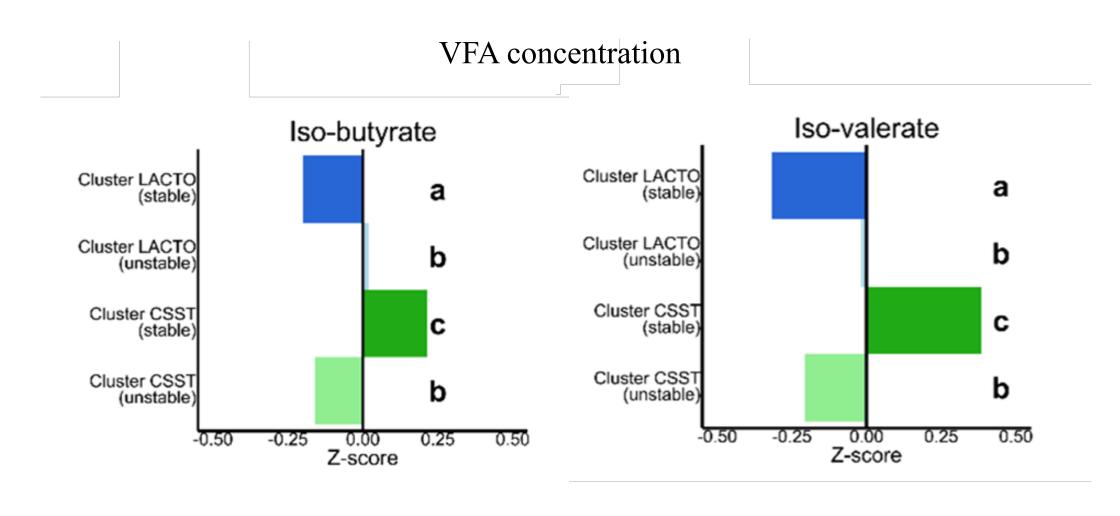
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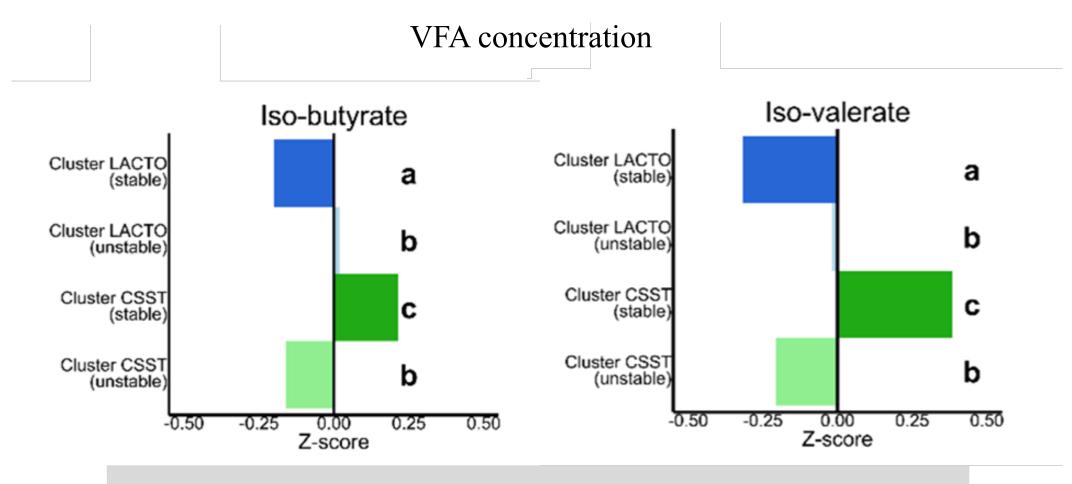
Cluster CSST (stable) lowest **ADG**, **DMI** and **DNR** (P < 0.05)

No differences for **BW** and **G:F** between subgroups (P > 0.05)

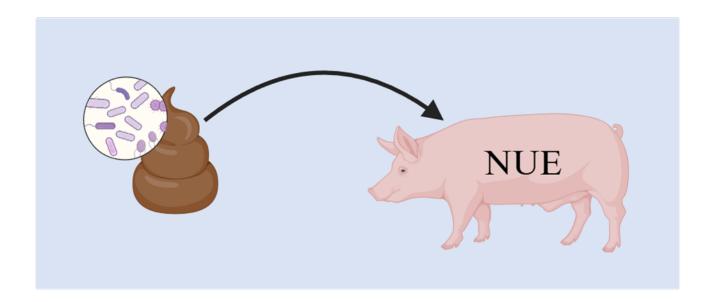
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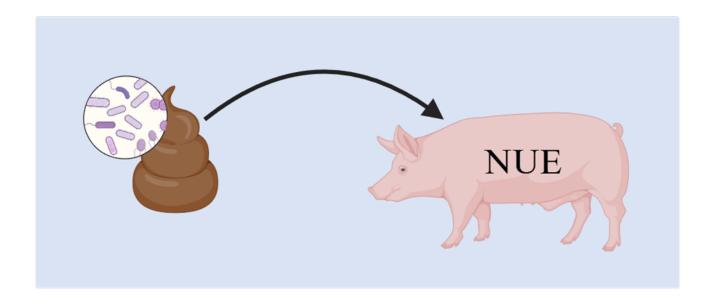


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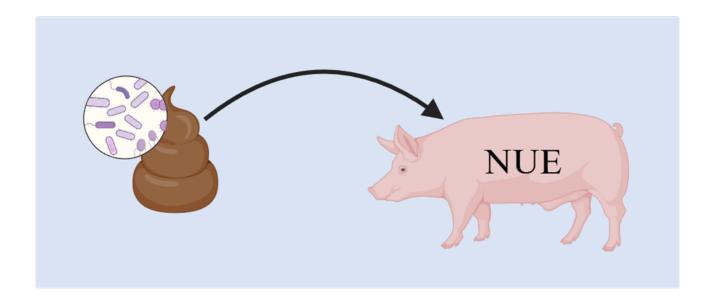


Cluster CSST stable had highest protein fermentation potential



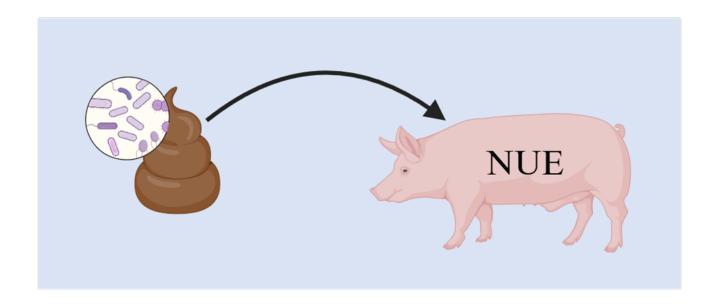


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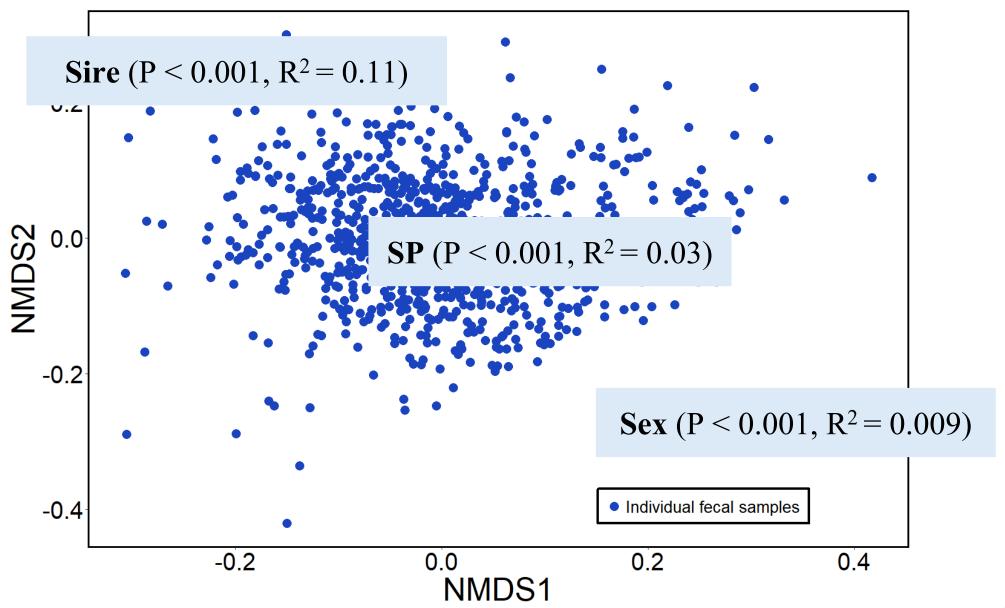
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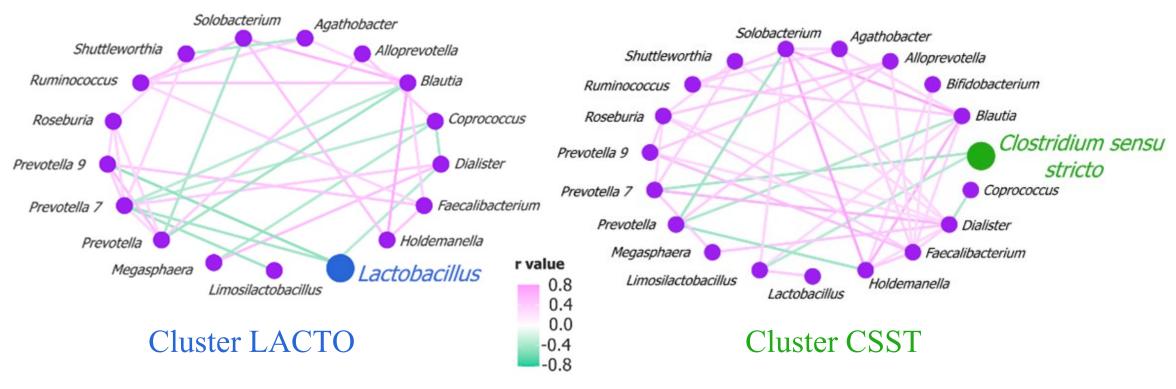
Supplementary

Table S1 Ingredient composition of the diets used in the two experimental phases.¹

Ingredient (g/kg)	Starter phase	Grower phase
Wheat	430	430
Barley	300	402
Soybean meal	240	140
Soybean oil	3	5
Mineral-vitamin premix	27	23

¹Details of ingredient and analytical composition of the diets are contained in the companion paper (Berghaus et al. 2023)

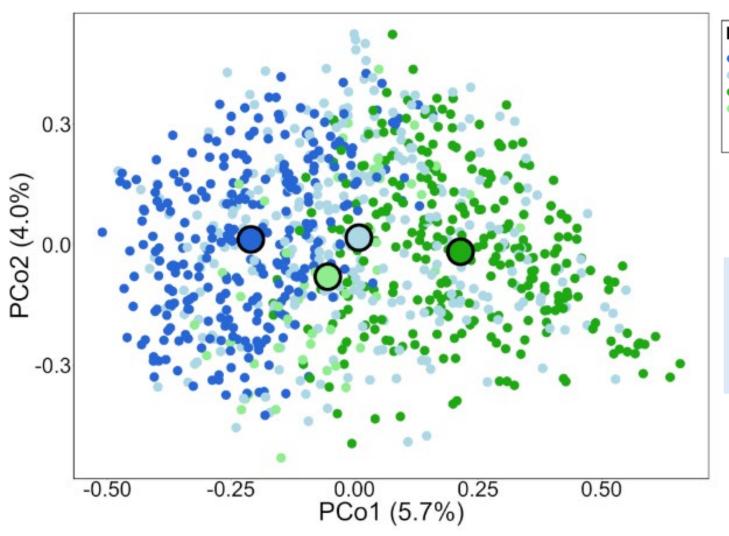




$$r > 0.3$$
 or $r < -0.3$ ($P < 0.0001$)

Both clusters are not group-driven!

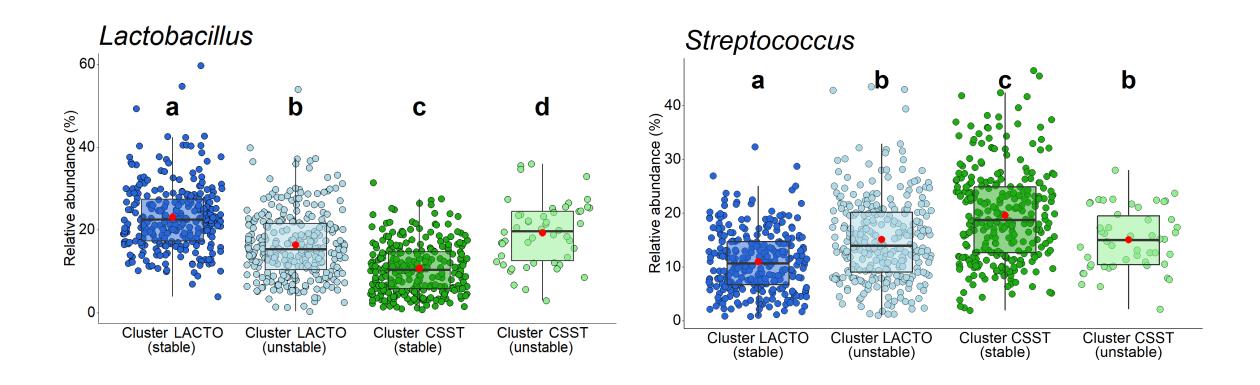
Sample distribution within the subgroups of enterotype-like clusters



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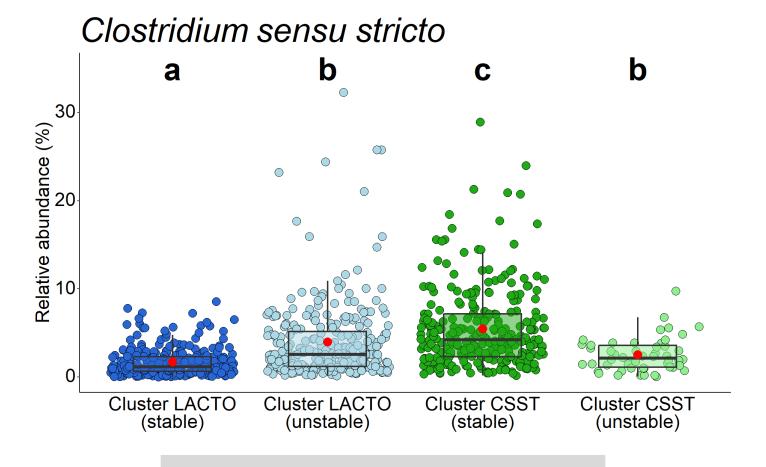
Microbial composition differed between all subgroups (P < 0.05)

Relative abundance within the subgroups of enterotype-like clusters at the genus level



Lactic acid bacteria with varying proteolytic ability

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Genus less described in pigs