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Carbohydrate supplementation retains intestinal barrier and ameliorates bacterial translocation in an antibiotic-induced mouse model

Bacterial translocation (BT), with antibiotic use as an inducer, is associated with increased risk of developing multiple inflammatory disorders. This work applied the typical high-molecular-weight polymer Konjac glucomannan (KGM), and its derivatives, Deacetylated KGM (DKGM) and konjac oligo-glucomannan (KOGM), to a mouse model, and unravelled the inhibitory effect of KGM and its derivatives on BT and the accompanying inflammation response by maintaining intestinal barriers integrity.



