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1 **Persistence of diet effects on the *Drosophila suzukii* microbiota**

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11 **Abstract**

12 The insect commensal microbiota consists of prokaryotes and eukaryotes. The effect of diet and
13 the persistence of the gut microbiota in *Drosophila suzukii* (Matsumura) (Diptera:
14 Drosophilidae) are not well-understood. We transferred subsets of a single population of *D.*
15 *suzukii* to different fruit-based diets (blueberry, raspberry, and strawberry) for three generations
16 and then returned them to a common, banana-based, laboratory diet. We used 16S (bacteria) and
17 ITS (fungi) sequencing of female endosymbiont-free flies to identify the microbiota. We
18 identified 2700 bacterial and 350 fungal OTUs; there was no correlation between the number of
19 bacterial and fungal OTUs in a sample. Bacterial communities were dominated by Proteobacteria
20 (especially Acetobacteraceae); Ascomycota dominated the fungal communities. Species diversity
21 of both bacteria and fungi differed among diets, but there were no differences in species-level
22 diversity when these flies were returned to a control diet. A Principle Coordinates Analysis
23 revealed no differences in the bacterial or fungal community in the first generation on fruit diets,
24 but that the communities diverged over the next two generations; neither fungal and bacterial
25 communities converged after one generation on control food. We conclude that diet changes the
26 *D. suzukii* microbiota, and that these changes persist for more than one generation.

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28 **Introduction**

29 Insects live in close association with microbes, both in their substrate and food, and on their
30 surface and in their gut. Most of these microbes are not pathogenic and can even be beneficial to
31 the host (Douglas 2015; 2018b; McFall-Ngai et al. 2013). The insect microbiota includes
32 bacteria, fungi, protozoa, and viruses, and encompasses endosymbionts (for example, *Wolbachia*
33 Hertig & Wolbach and *Buchnera* Munson et al.), gut microbes and both surface-and epithelia-
34 associated flora (Bahrndorff et al. 2016; Douglas 2015; Henry et al. 2015; Huang et al. 2015).
35 These microbes can be acquired from the parent(s) (e.g. Hosokawa et al. 2010; Koga et al. 2012;
36 Rahman et al. 2015) or from the diet (Starmer and Fogleman 1986), and be stable (e.g. Pais et al.
37 2018; Rahman et al. 2015), seasonally variable (e.g. Ferguson et al. 2018), or transient (Wong et
38 al. 2015). *Drosophila melanogaster* Meigen (Diptera: Drosophilidae) has emerged as an
39 important model for understanding the insect-associated microbiota, because of its relatively
40 simple microbiota, a plethora of genetic tools, and because it is possible to rear axenic (with no
41 microbiota) and gnotobiotic (with a known microbiota) individuals (Douglas 2018a).

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43 The *Drosophila* microbiome includes surface, intracellular (mainly *Wolbachia*; Wilches,
44 Coghlin, and Floate, submitted to this issue) and gut microbes (Ren et al. 2007), but is mainly
45 dominated by the latter. Whole-fly microbiome extractions can be used to characterize the gut
46 microbiome (Ren et al. 2007), but may overestimate species diversity (Chandler et al. 2014;
47 Chandler et al. 2011) or be dominated by *Wolbachia* that can mask the presence of less common
48 bacteria (Wilches, Coghlin, and Floate, submitted). The gut microbiome originates from the diet;
49 i.e., larvae consume the chorion (and associated bacteria) and the gut bacterial biota is

50 maintained by consuming bacteria (Bakula 1969). The *Drosophila* gut microbiome is transient,
51 with significant flux over time (Blum et al. 2013; Wong et al. 2011; but see Pais et al. 2018), but
52 generally consists of Acetobacteraceae, Enterobacteriaceae, and Lactobacillales (Chandler et al.
53 2011; Wong et al. 2011). There is also a yeast flora, mainly in the genera *Hanseniaspora* Berkh,
54 *Pichia* Hansen, and *Saccharomyces* Meien (Chandler et al. 2012; Phaff et al. 1956), as well as
55 poorly-explored fungal endosymbionts and gut Protista (Ebbert et al. 2003). Within this diverse
56 gut flora, a few species generally dominate, and many phenotypes can be recovered in
57 gnotobiotic flies with a single yeast species (Jiménez Padilla 2016) or a small subset of bacteria
58 (Shin et al. 2011; Storelli et al. 2011). In other animals, including humans, transitory changes in
59 diet can have long-lasting effects on the gut microbiome (Wu et al. 2011). In *Drosophila*, there
60 are clear phenotypic effects of diet switches (Jehrke et al. 2018), and wild flies have different
61 microbiota to lab-reared flies (Chandler et al. 2011), however, it is not clear how immediate the
62 diet effects on the microbiome are. It is also unclear whether these effects arise because the diet
63 houses a specific microbiome, or – given the broad phenotypic effects of food type; Jiménez-
64 Padilla, Ferguson & Sinclair, submitted to this issue) – because the diet modifies the fly’s
65 interactions with the microbiome, affecting community assembly (Adair and Douglas 2017;
66 Jehrke et al. 2018).

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68 Spotted-wing drosophila, *Drosophila suzukii* (Matsumura) (Diptera: Drosophilidae), is an
69 economically-important pest of soft-skinned fruits (Asplen et al. 2015). Female *D. suzukii* lay
70 their eggs in ripening fruit; the growing larvae and secondary microbial infections render the
71 fruit unmarketable (Rota-Stabelli et al. 2013). *Drosophila suzukii* is polyphagous, and thus flies
72 within a region can have very different diets during development. Diet affects various

73 physiological traits in *D. suzukii*, such as development time and body size (Jiménez-Padilla,
74 Ferguson & Sinclair, submitted; but see Jaramillo et al. 2015) and lifespan (Bing et al. 2018), and
75 the microbiota appears necessary for development in the protein-poor diet of unripe fruit (Bing et
76 al. 2018). The bacterial microbiota of *D. suzukii* is typically dominated by a few species, and
77 those species appear to vary considerably depending on the collection location, diet, and season
78 (Chandler et al. 2014; Fountain et al. 2018; Solomon et al. 2019). Yeasts are a consistent
79 component of the *D. suzukii* microbiota (Fountain et al. 2018; Hamby et al. 2012; Solomon et al.
80 2019) and affect larval development (Lewis and Hamby 2019), but the biology of yeast-
81 *Drosophila* interactions have generally been less-well explored than the biology of the bacterial
82 flora.

83 The *D. suzukii* microbiota reflects the immediate environment of the individual, its
84 physiological state, and also the individual's history of exposure to microbes. However, the
85 extent to which the microbiota is dependent on diet, and the persistence of those effects across
86 generations is unclear. In this study, we examined the effect of diet on the microbiome of *D.*
87 *suzukii* across four generations. Specifically, we monitored changes in the gut microbiome of *D.*
88 *suzukii* transitioned from a banana-based control diet (see also Jiménez-Padilla, Ferguson &
89 Sinclair, submitted) onto fruit-based diets of either raspberry, strawberry, or blueberry for three
90 generations. Eggs obtained from females of the third generation were then returned back onto the
91 control diet to obtain a fourth generation of adults. For each generation, we characterised the
92 effect of these dietary changes on the microbiota composition of these flies via high-throughput
93 16S rRNA (bacteria) and ITS (internal transcribed spacer; fungi) DNA sequencing.

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95 **Methods**

96 *Fly rearing and sample collections*

97 We used an outbred *Drosophila suzukii* population collected in Halton Hills region, Ontario,
98 Canada (43°00'N, 81°15'W) in 2012 (Jakobs et al. 2015). We reared the flies on a generic
99 banana-based (control) diet (Markow and O'Grady 2005), at 25 ± 1 °C, 60 ± 5 % relative
100 humidity, and 14 h:10 h L:D cycle for many generations. To begin the diet experiments, we
101 transferred adult *D. suzukii* (7-10 days old) to egg collection cages ($\varnothing = 5.6$ cm, h = 7.6 cm)
102 capped with a Petri dish ($\varnothing = 6$ cm) containing c. 40 mL of one of the fruit-based diets or the
103 control diet. The fruit-based diets contained 100 mL deionized water, 25 g agar, 4 mL propionic
104 acid, and 500 g mashed organic frozen fruit; either blueberry, raspberry or strawberry. The flies
105 laid eggs for three days on the fruit diet, and the Petri dishes were then incubated at standard
106 conditions until eclosion (Generation 1); this was repeated with fresh media for two additional
107 generations (Generations 2 and 3). After three generations, we transferred eggs back onto the
108 control diet (Generation 4) to assess the longevity of microbiomes developed on the previous
109 fruit diets. For each combination of diet and generation, we collected adult females 7-10 days
110 post-eclosion and rinsed them for one minute with 70 % ethanol followed by sterilized deionized
111 water. The flies were then preserved in 95 % ethanol for DNA extraction.

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113 For each combination of diet and generation, we extracted DNA from individual female flies (1
114 fly = 1 sample). Flies were surface-washed with a 0.6 % hypochlorite solution bleach solution,
115 and DNA extracted using a Qiagen DNeasy blood and tissue kit (Qiagen, Toronto, ON, Canada)
116 following the manufacturer's instructions, with the exception of eluting in ca. 30 μ L at pH

117 7. Because the prevalence of *Wolbachia* can potentially mask bacterial diversity (Wilches,
118 Coghlin, and Floate, submitted), we screened the samples for the presence of *Wolbachia* using
119 primers for the *wsp* gene as previously described (Li, Fields, Pang, Coghlin, & Floate, 2015).
120 Five *Wolbachia*-free samples for each combination of diet and generation ($n = 80$ total samples,
121 5 flies/diet/generation) were then shipped to Genome Quebec for sequencing 16S and ITS
122 regions for bacterial and fungal identification, respectively.

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124 *16S and ITS rDNA sequencing and data analysis*

125 Sequencing was performed by Genome Quebec using Illumina MiSeq 300 bp paired-end
126 sequencing and the initial sequence alignment and cleaning conducted by the Canadian Centre
127 for Computational Genomics (Montreal, QC, Canada, www.computationalgenomics.ca), who
128 provided operational taxonomic unit tables (OTUs) and taxonomy tables for the bacterial (16S)
129 and fungal (ITS) communities. We used these lists to compare the microbiota among
130 generations and treatments using the Marker Data Profiling tool from the MicrobiomeAnalyst
131 online interface (Chong et al. 2020; Dhariwal et al. 2017). Parametric statistics (ANOVA) were
132 conducted using GraphPad Prism (v8.3.0 for Windows, GraphPad Software, San Diego, CA,
133 USA).

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135 Prior to analysis, we identified OTUs that appeared in only one sample as artifacts and removed
136 them from further consideration. We also removed four 16S and five ITS samples with fewer
137 than 1400 reads (which could lead to inaccurate diversity measurements; Hill et al. 2002). We

138 also excluded, as likely contaminated, four samples from the 16S analysis and two samples from
139 the ITS analysis that had very high species richness (two or more orders of magnitude higher
140 than the median from 16S sequence or >50 OTUs from ITS; Figure S1). We retained 72 samples
141 in the bacterial microbiome composition analysis and 73 in the ITS analysis ($n = 3$ to 5 flies per
142 diet per generation).

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144 We transformed count data using relative log expression (RLE) for relative abundance analyses
145 and rarefied to the minimum library count (1,006 reads for 16S, 2,389 reads for ITS) to allow for
146 direct comparison among groups. We used a Pearson's product-moment correlation to look for a
147 relationship between (\log_{10} -transformed) number of fungal and bacterial OTUs in individual
148 samples across the dataset. We calculated observed richness, Chao1 richness, and Shannon
149 diversity for each sample using the alpha-diversity profiling tools in MicrobiomeAnalyst, and
150 compared these values among diets at Generations 1 and 4 using a one-way ANOVA, and among
151 diets across Generations 1-3 for the different diets using a 2-way ANOVA. We examined
152 community composition through a Principal Coordinate Analysis (PCOA) at the OTU level with
153 the Bray-Curtis Index using the beta-diversity profiling tool in MicrobiomeAnalyst. We used a
154 Multivariate Analysis of Variance (MANOVA) in R to explore the effects of diet and generation
155 on diversity (as explained in the multivariate space of the first two PCoA axes), using the
156 comparisons described above for α -diversity.

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158

159 **Results**

160 We characterized the bacterial and fungal microbiota of *D. suzukii* reared on various diets. The
161 flies originated from the one population maintained under laboratory conditions since 2012 and
162 the same parents were used to generate the different diet groups in this study; i.e., all groups
163 started with broadly the same microbial community. Illumina sequencing generated an average
164 of 63,400 16S rDNA and 51,137 ITS reads per sample. Removing samples containing extremely
165 low reads and uniquely high species richness gave an adjusted average of 65,296 bacterial and
166 55,055 fungal reads per sample (Table 1). The number of operational taxonomic units was not
167 affected by this adjustment in the data with a total of 2,700 bacterial and 350 fungal OTUs at 97
168 % identity cutoff. After removing singletons, 674 bacterial and 258 fungal OTUs (with ≥ 2
169 counts) remained in the analyses (Table 1). There was no correlation between 16S (bacterial) and
170 ITS (fungal) OTU diversity in the samples ($r_{66} = 0.16$, $P = 0.2$; Figure 1).

171

172 *Dominant bacterial and fungal taxa*

173 The dominant bacterial taxa are listed in Table 2. We found that even though the bacterial
174 relative abundance varies among generations of flies reared on different diets, the most abundant
175 taxa in most samples belong to the phyla Proteobacteria and Firmicutes. In particular,
176 Proteobacteria comprised more than 90 % of all taxa for some generations across all diets
177 (Figure 2). The most abundant proteobacterial family was Acetobacteraceae, comprising more
178 than half of the family-level abundance in all but four treatments (Figure 2; full list of Taxa in
179 Figures S3 and S4).

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181 The dominant fungal taxa are listed in Table 3. The fungal microbiota was dominated by the
182 Phylum Ascomycota in all but two samples (Figure 3; full list of taxa in Figure S5). The most
183 abundant families in this Phylum were Aspergillaceae, Mycosphaerellaceae,
184 Saccharomycetaceae, Pleosporaceae and Chaetomiaceae (Figure 3). The phylum Basidiomycota
185 was also present in all generations and diets, and dominated in the two conditions where
186 Ascomycota did not (Figure 3). The Ascomycete families Malasseziaceae and Bulleribasidiaceae
187 were present in all diets and most generations (Figure 3).

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189 *Diversity of bacterial and fungal communities of D. suzukii reared on various diets*

190 The bacterial species richness and overall diversity were highly variable among flies
191 reared on different diets and even between generations of flies reared on the same diet. Although
192 the eggs to form the first generation of flies for this study were collected from the same *D.*
193 *suzukii* population, the observed and Chao1 richness were significantly different upon transfer to
194 new diets on the first generation (Table 4, Figure 4), suggesting a dietary effect on bacterial
195 composition; however the Shannon diversity index did not differ significantly among diets
196 (Table 4, Figure 4). By contrast, the α -diversity parameters of the fungal microbiome did not
197 vary in Generation 1 (Table 4, Figure 4). Over three generations in the new diets, bacterial
198 diversity changed significantly (significant diet \times generation effect for all three α -diversity
199 parameters; Table 5, Figure 4), whereas this interaction was significant only for Shannon
200 diversity in fungi (Table 5, Figure 4). Upon return to the control diet, we detected no diet-related
201 differences in diversity in either bacterial or fungal microbiotas (Table 4, Figure 4).

202

203 The first two axes of the PCoA explained 36.5 % of the variation for the bacterial microbiota
204 (Figure 5). There was no significant difference among diets in these axes at Generation 1 (Pillai's
205 trace = 0.617, $F_{6,28}=2.08$, $P = 0.088$). Both diet and generation significantly affected a sample's
206 position on PCoA Axes 1 and 2, and there was a significant generation \times diet interaction (Pillai's
207 trace = 0.87, $F_{6,30} = 5.4$, $P < 0.001$), likely driven by significant changes in the microbiota of
208 flies reared on blueberry and strawberry over this period (Figure 5A). Bacterial community
209 composition along PCoA Axes 1 and 2 differed significantly among diet treatments in
210 Generation 4, after the flies had been returned to a common diet (MANOVA: Pillai's trace =
211 0.94, $F_{6,28} = 4.1$, $P = 0.004$); post-hoc univariate tests indicate that these differences lie among
212 both PCoA axes (Axis 1: $F_{3,14} = 3.80$, $P = 0.035$; Axis 2: $F_{3,14} = 8.98$, $P = 0.001$), a Tukey's HSD
213 post hoc test on those univariate results showed that the significance was driven by separation
214 between blueberry and control along Axis 1, and all the fruit diets and the controls on Axis 2.
215

216 The first two axes of the PCoA explained 34.6 % of the variation in fungal microbiota (Figure 5).
217 There was no significant difference among diets in these axes at Generation 1 (Pillai's trace =
218 0.580, $F_{6,30} = 2.04$, $P = 0.090$). Both diet and generation significantly affected a sample's
219 position on PCoA axes 1 and 2, and there was a significant generation \times diet interaction (Pillai's
220 trace = 1.0, $F_{12,84} = 7.0$, $P < 0.001$), likely driven by significant changes in the microbiota of flies
221 reared on strawberry and raspberry over this period (Figure 5A). Fungal community composition
222 along PCoA Axes 1 and 2 differed significantly among diet treatments in Generation 4, after the
223 flies had been returned to a common diet (MANOVA: Pillai's trace = 0.94, $F_{6,30} = 4.4$, $P =$
224 0.003); post-hoc univariate tests indicate that these differences lie among both PCoA axes (Axis
225 1: $F_{3,15} = 23.70$, $P < 0.001$; Axis 2: $F_{3,15} = 13.92$, $P < 0.001$), and a Tukey's HSD on those

226 univariate tests reveals that they are driven by differences between the raspberry and strawberry
227 diets and control and blueberry on both axes.

228

229 **Discussion**

230 Here we explored the influence of diet on the *D. suzukii* microbiota, and the persistence of any
231 dietary influences on the microbiota. The microbiota differs among seasons and locations in flies
232 collected in nature (Fountain et al. 2018; Lachance et al. 1995; Martinez-Sañudo et al. 2018), and
233 is clearly dependent on food in the laboratory (Chandler et al. 2011), so we predicted that there
234 should be clear effects of diet on the microbiota, which broadly reflects our results. However, the
235 *Drosophila* microbiota is thought to be largely transient (Blum et al. 2013; Wong et al. 2011;
236 but see Pais et al. 2018), leading us to predict that any diet-related differences should not persist
237 when animals are returned to a common diet. We find partial support for this prediction, which
238 we discuss below.

239

240 The composition of the bacterial microbiota that we found in *D. suzukii* is broadly consistent
241 with that reported elsewhere for *D. suzukii* (Chandler et al. 2014; Fountain et al. 2018; Solomon
242 et al. 2019), and for *Drosophila* more generally (Chandler et al. 2011; Wong et al. 2013; Wong
243 et al. 2011). In particular, we found an abundance of Proteobacteria in the Acetobacteraceae and
244 the Enterobacteriaceae, which are typical *Drosophila* gut microbes (Bing et al. 2018; Chandler et
245 al. 2014; Fountain et al. 2018), and appear to account for many of the phenotypic impacts of the
246 gut microbiota (Shin et al. 2011; Storelli et al. 2011; Wong et al. 2014). We note that we did not
247 find the abundance of *Tatumella* reported by Chandler et al. (2014).

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249 Using ITS sequencing to identify eukaryotes (usually fungi) is less common than using 16S
250 (bacteria) in microbial metagenomics studies (Fricker et al. 2019), but the predominance of
251 ascomycete yeasts we found is consistent with both metagenomics (Bing et al. 2018; Chandler et
252 al. 2012) and culturing (Lachance et al. 1995) studies in *Drosophila*. These yeasts appear to have
253 important phenotypic effects on *D. melanogaster* biology, both as symbionts (Jiménez Padilla
254 2016) and as a dietary component (Anagnostou et al. 2010; Colinet and Renault 2014; Solomon
255 et al. 2019). The Basidiomycota yeast-like Malasseziaceae has not been reported in *Drosophila*,
256 but has been previously recovered in sequences from the mosquito *Culex pipiens* (Chandler et al.
257 2015) and wood-feeding beetles (Zhang et al. 2003). Malasseziaceae was present in about 25 %
258 of our flies; however, Chandler et al. (2015) discounted these sequences (often a human
259 commensal or opportunistic pathogen) as artifacts of handling, which may be the case here as
260 well. Most of the Aspergillaceae were likely present as moulds growing on the food, in spite of
261 the mild anti-mould compounds included in the diet (propionic acid in the fruit diets, and
262 methylparaben in the control diet). Some of the fungal taxa we detected are fairly unusual for a
263 laboratory-based diet. For example, Mycosphaerellaceae and Chaetomiaceae – present in 70 and
264 22 % of the flies we sequenced, respectively – are usually associated with decaying plant tissues
265 (Videira et al. 2017; Wang et al. 2019). We speculate that these have either been maintained in
266 our colonies since their establishment, or were present in the fruit that we used to make the diets.

267

268 We found clear, but complex, effects of diet on the microbiota. Upon switching from control to
269 fruit diets, there were immediate impacts of diet on two of three measures of bacterial species
270 richness, such that control and strawberry flies had lower observed richness and Chao1 richness

271 than those in blueberry and raspberry. However, when accounting for bacterial community
272 composition (via multivariate PCoA), we did not detect differences among the bacterial
273 communities in Generation 1. Similarly, we saw no differences among diets in either fungal
274 species richness or in the PCoA. *Drosophila* acquire their microbiota from their environment
275 (Bakula 1969; Blum et al. 2013), so the initial microbiota in the different diets is likely a product
276 of any microbiota growing in the diets (although we cooked the food and included propionic
277 acid), as well as those brought in by the adults (Starmer and Fogleman 1986). Given the
278 substantial variation in OTU identity we observed among individuals within a treatment, it is
279 possible that the initial differences in α -diversity are more a product of a founder effect than a
280 direct impact of diet. The microbiota of flies in different diets followed distinct paths for the next
281 two generations. We also suggest that these processes likely operate in reverse once the flies
282 were returned to a common diet: although the species richness was similar among the diets, there
283 were still significant differences in community composition. If the main effect of community
284 composition is the diet, then we predict that if we had continued the experiment for a fifth
285 generation, these diet-related differences in community composition would have disappeared.
286

287 Although we are confident that diet had a significant effect on the microbiota, we recognize that
288 our findings are limited to one population of flies for each of the four treatment groups (control,
289 blueberry, raspberry, strawberry). It is possible, therefore, that some of the among-diet
290 differences could be a product of random drift (or neutral processes) in the microbial community
291 development after Generation 1 (cf. Adair et al. 2018). For this reason, we are unwilling to
292 ascribe specific microbiotas to specific food types, and do not attempt to interpret microbiota
293 differences to the properties of the different fruits despite some intriguing differences; e.g.,

294 between raspberry/strawberry and blueberry/control diets in fungal community composition.
295 Future work of this nature could include more replicate populations per fruit type to unravel the
296 mechanistic relationship between diet and microbiota, and to explore the ways in which diet and
297 the microbiota interact to influence phenotype.

298

299 Flies harbouring infections of *Wolbachia* were excluded from our study, because the presence of
300 these intracellular bacteria confounds efforts to characterize of the gut microbiota of the host
301 (Wilches, Coghlin, and Floate, submitted) . In doing so, our results do not reflect potential
302 interactions between *Wolbachia* and members of the gut microbiota or how those interactions
303 may be modified by diet (cf. Fromont et al. 2019). Similarly, we used only female flies. Female
304 flies consume more yeast than males (Jiménez Padilla 2016), so we have probably captured the
305 broader yeast microbiome in our study, but we will have missed any male-specific flora (cf.
306 Fountain et al. 2018, who found a significant sex effect in their study of the microbiota of wild-
307 caught *D. suzukii*).

308

309 In conclusion, we found that rearing *D. suzukii* on successive generations of fruit-based diet did
310 change the microbiota. These changes appeared to take more than one generation to establish,
311 suggesting at least some persistence of microbial community composition across generations.

312 More work is required to determine the mechanisms by which diet determines the microbiota in
313 *Drosophila suzukii*.

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475 **Table 1:** Summary of sequencing results for 16S and ITS samples from *Drosophila suzukii*
 476 reared on different laboratory fruit-based diets for four generations. Data in this table are after
 477 OTUs represented by a single read were removed and after the exclusion of four 16S and two
 478 ITS samples that had extremely high diversity and four 16S and five ITS samples that had low
 479 total reads. Where provided, means are \pm sem.

	16S	ITS
Total number of reads	4,708,537	4,019,024
Mean reads/sample	65,396 \pm 5,731	55,055
Median reads/sample	60,844	60,596 \pm 2,557
Minimum reads/sample	1,006	2,389
Maximum reads/sample	191,837	90,338
Total number of OTUs	674	258
Mean OTUs/Sample	52 \pm 4	16 \pm 1
Median OTUs/sample	41	15
Minimum OTUs/Sample	20	4
Maximum OTUs/sample	205	38

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483 **Table 2.** Relative abundance and prevalence of bacterial OTUs in *D. suzukii* adults. Listed OTUs
 484 were present in at least 50 % of all samples or represent at least an average of 2 % of the reads
 485 across all samples.

OTU ID	Mean relative abundance \pm sem	% of samples	Taxonomic classification
2700	19.3 \pm 2.5	100	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Acetobacter</i>
2699	13.0 \pm 1.7	92	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Acetobacter nitrogenifigens</i>
2693	4.6 \pm 1.1	81	Firmicutes, Lactobacillaceae, <i>Lactobacillus</i>
2690	3.1 \pm 0.7	74	Firmicutes, Lactobacillaceae, <i>Lactobacillus</i>
2697	5.0 \pm 1.8	67	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Acetobacter</i>
2688	2.1 \pm 0.6	65	Firmicutes, Lactobacillaceae, <i>Lactobacillus</i>
2695	3.4 \pm 1.5	60	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Acetobacter</i>
2698	5.6 \pm 1.8	56	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Gluconobacter</i>
2685	0.3 \pm 0.1	56	Firmicutes, Lactobacillaceae, <i>Lactobacillus</i>
2692	2.3 \pm 1.0	53	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Acetobacter</i>
2694	3.4 \pm 1.2	51	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Acetobacter</i>
2696	3.8 \pm 1.2	44	Proteobacteria, Acetobacteraceae, <i>Gluconobacter</i>
2691	2.3 \pm 1.0	39	Protobacteria, Enterobacteriaceae

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489 **Table 3.** Relative abundance and prevalence of fungal OTUs in *D. suzukii* adults. Listed OTUs
 490 were present in at least 50 % of all samples or averaged at least an average of 2 % of the reads
 491 across all samples.

OTU ID	Mean relative abundance \pm sem	% of samples	Taxonomic classification
349	13.5 \pm 2.6	85	Ascomycota, Mycosphaerellaceae, <i>Mycosphaerella tassiana</i>
348	9.4 \pm 2.6	75	Ascomycota, Aspergillaceae, <i>Penicillium paneum</i>
346	47.9 \pm 1.6	70	Ascomycota, Mycosphaerellaceae, <i>Mycosphaerella tassiana</i>
350	11.1 \pm 2.7	53	Ascomycota, Aspergillaceae, <i>Penicillium hetheringtonii</i>
345	3.0 \pm 1.1	37	Ascomycota, Aspergillaceae, <i>Penicillium hetheringtonii</i>
344	2.6 \pm 1.0	34	Ascomycota, Aspergillaceae, <i>Penicillium hetheringtonii</i>
343	2.6 \pm 1.5	26	Basidiomycota, Malasseziaceae, <i>Malassezia restricta</i>
341	1.3 \pm 1.0	22	Ascomycota, Chaetomiaceae, <i>Humicola nigrescens</i>
347	5.4 \pm 2.7	21	Ascomycota, Aspergillaceae, <i>Penicillium sumatraense</i>
342	1.2 \pm 1.2	14	Ascomycota, Pleosporaceae, <i>Alternaria</i>

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494 **Table 4.** Summary of Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) of α -diversity measurements for the first
 495 and fourth generations of *D. suzukii* reared on various diets. Flies were reared in their specific
 496 diets (control banana-based lab diet, blueberry, raspberry, and strawberry) for the first three
 497 generations (Generation 1 is therefore the first generation in which the diet diverged) and
 498 switched to the banana-based control diet for the fourth generation (so Generation 4 is the first
 499 generation returned to common conditions). See text for details of data treatment; statistically
 500 significant values are in bold typeface.

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	Bacteria			Fungi		
	<i>F</i>	df	<i>P</i>	<i>F</i>	df	<i>P</i>
Generation 1						
Observed richness	3.2	3,13	< 0.01	1.5	3,15	0.25
Chao1 richness	7.4	3,13	< 0.01	2.1	3,15	0.14
Shannon diversity	2.7	3,13	0.09	2.5	3,15	0.10
Generation 4						
Observed richness	1.9	3,14	0.18	2.0	3,15	0.16
Chao1 richness	2.2	3,14	0.14	0.7	3,15	0.54
Shannon diversity	1.1	3,14	0.37	2.3	3,15	0.11

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505 **Table 5.** Summary of two-way Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) of α -diversity measurements of
 506 *D. suzukii* reared on various diets (control banana-based lab diet, blueberry, raspberry, and
 507 strawberry) for three generations. See text for details of data treatment; statistically significant
 508 values are in bold typeface.

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	Bacteria			Fungi		
	<i>F</i>	df	<i>P</i>	<i>F</i>	df	<i>P</i>
Observed richness						
Diet	3.4	3,42	0.03	2.2	3,42	0.12
Generation	3.2	2,42	0.04	1.2	2,42	0.32
Diet × Generation	3.3	6,42	< 0.001	1.6	6,42	0.17
Chao1 richness						
Diet	3.6	3,42	0.02	1.7	3,42	0.18
Generation	1.1	2,42	0.34	0.7	2,42	0.48
Diet × Generation	2.8	6,42	0.02	0.8	6,42	0.57
Shannon diversity						
Diet	2.7	3,42	0.05	2.2	3,42	0.10
Generation	7.9	2,42	< 0.01	3.4	2,42	0.04
Diet × Generation	7.3	6,42	< 0.001	4.0	6,42	< 0.01

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512 **Figure Captions**

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514 **Figure 1.** Number of bacterial and fungal OTUs associated with each fly tested in the current
515 study, spanning all combinations of generation and diet (control, blueberry, raspberry,
516 strawberry).

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518 **Figure 2.** The most abundant members of the bacterial microbiome of *Drosophila suzukii* adults
519 reported by family (A) and phyla (B). Results are for flies reared continuously on a control diet
520 or for three generations on blueberry, raspberry or strawberry diets and then reared for the fourth
521 generation on the control diet.

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523 **Figure 3.** The most abundant members of the fungal microbiome of *Drosophila suzukii* adults
524 reported by family (A) and phyla (B). Results are for flies reared continuously on a control diet
525 or for three generations on blueberry, raspberry or strawberry diets and then reared for the fourth
526 generation on the control diet.

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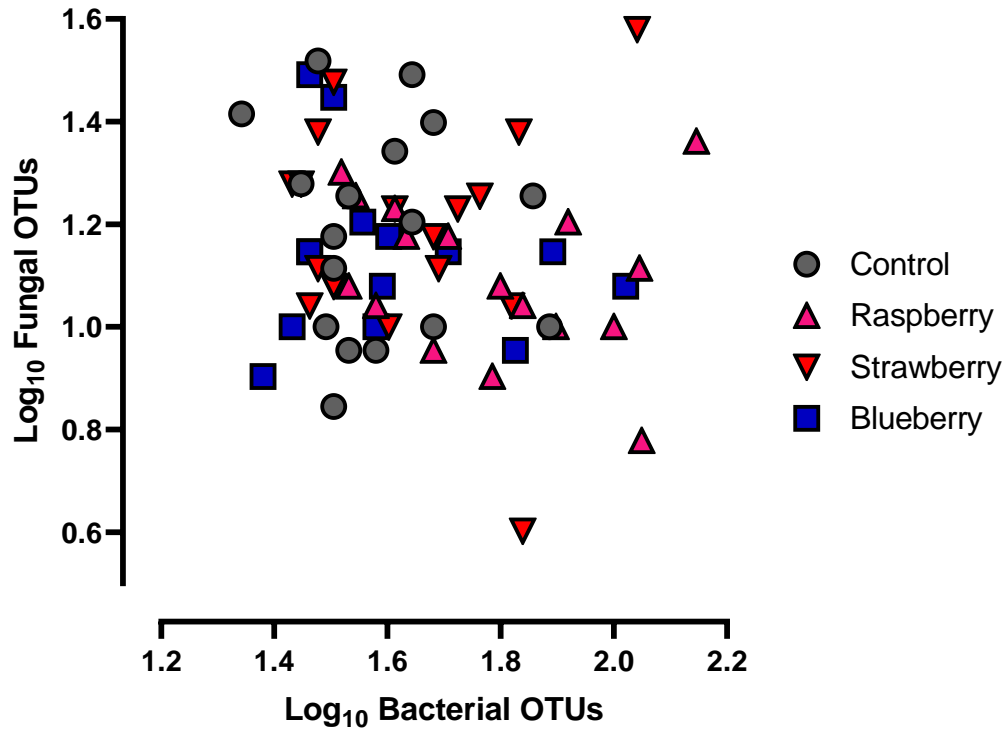
528 **Figure 4.** Comparison of α -diversity measurements for the bacterial (A, C, E) and fungal (B, D,
529 F) microbiome of *D. suzukii* adults reared continuously on a control diet or for three generations
530 on blueberry, raspberry or strawberry diets and then reared for the fourth generation on the
531 control diet. See Tables 1 and 2 for statistics.

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533 **Figure 5.** Principal coordinate analysis (PCoA) of the bacterial (A) and fungal (B) microbiome
534 composition of *D. suzukii* adults reared on various diets (C = control, B = blueberry, S =

535 strawberry, R = raspberry). Flies were reared on their specific diets for three generations
536 (numbered 1-3) and switched to the control diet for the fourth generation (numbered 4); arrows
537 link the samples in order to illustrate the time component within a treatment. Beta-diversity
538 based on OTUs was calculated using the Bray-Curtis Index and expressed as the average of
539 samples (3-5) in a diet-generation combination; percentage variance explained by each axis is
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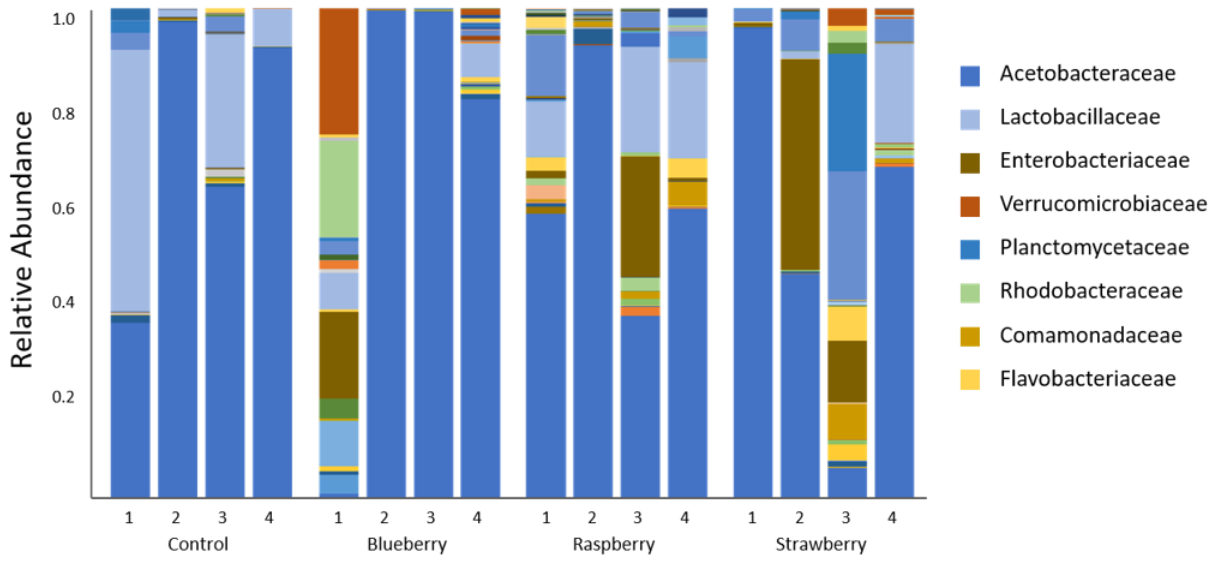


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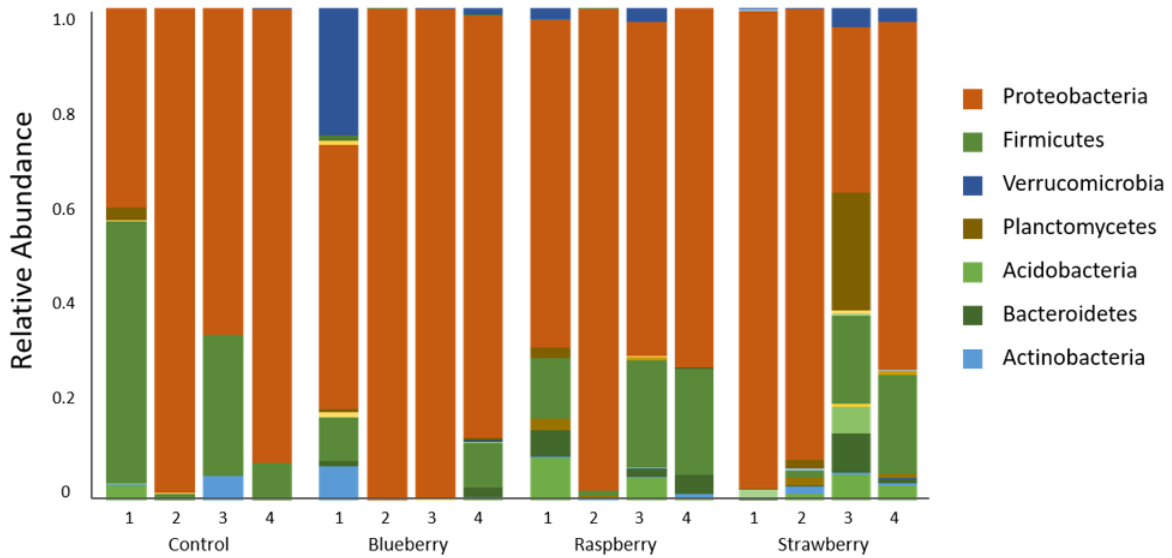
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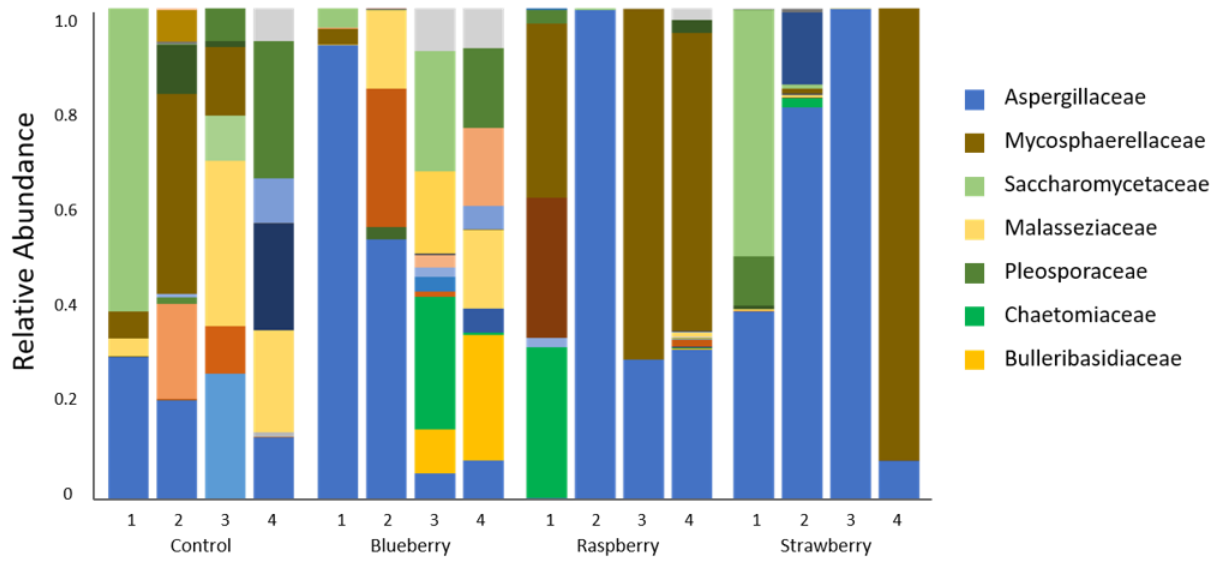
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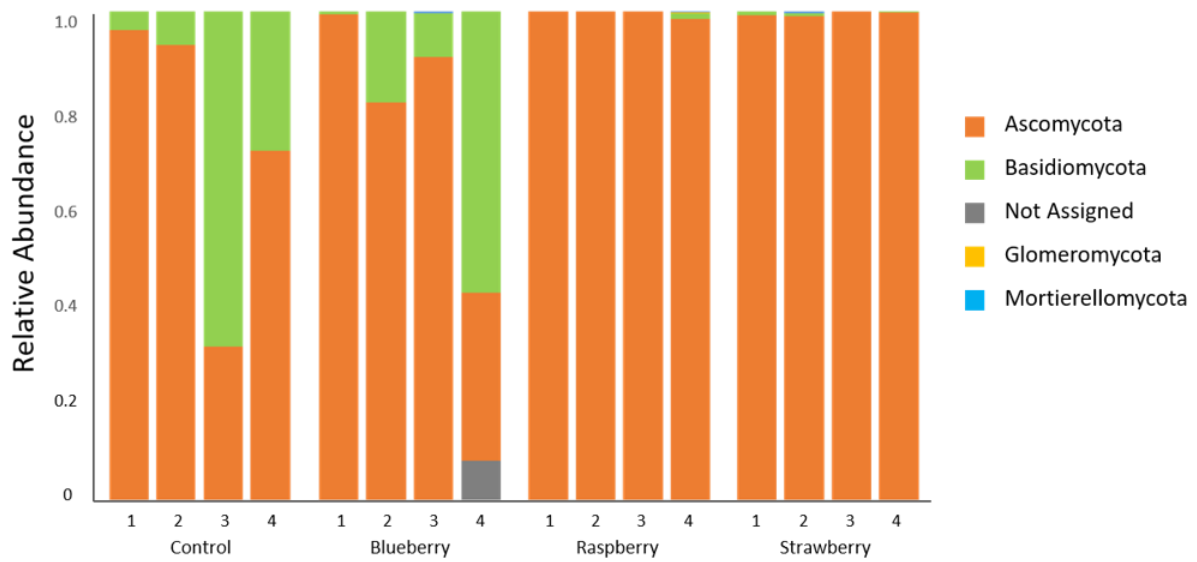
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A. Family



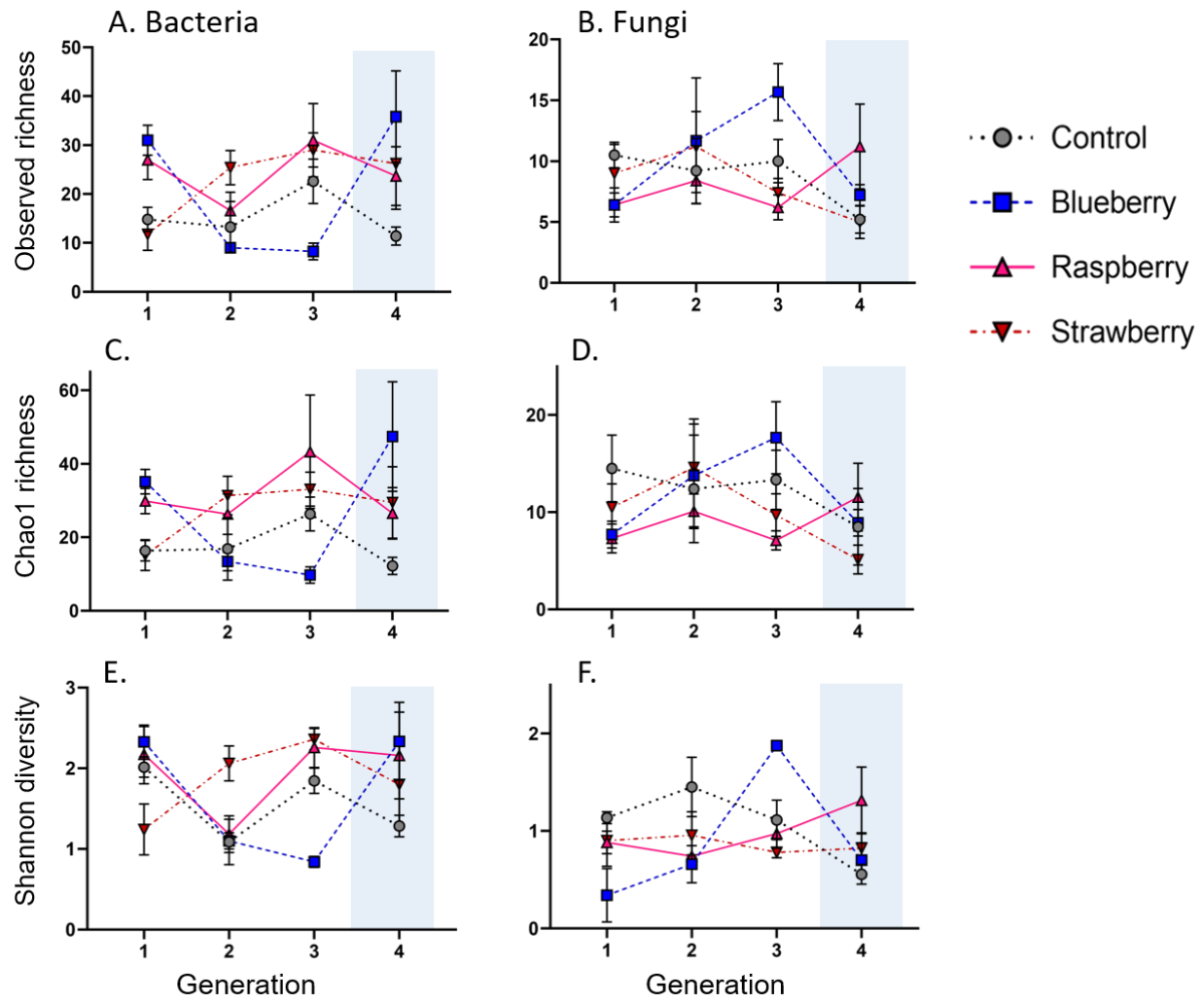
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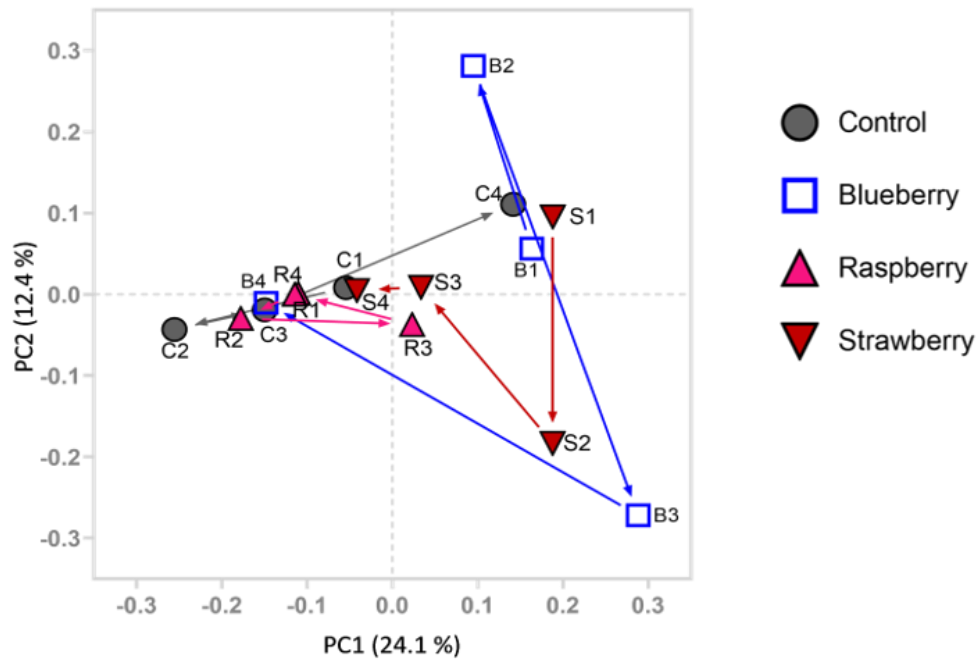
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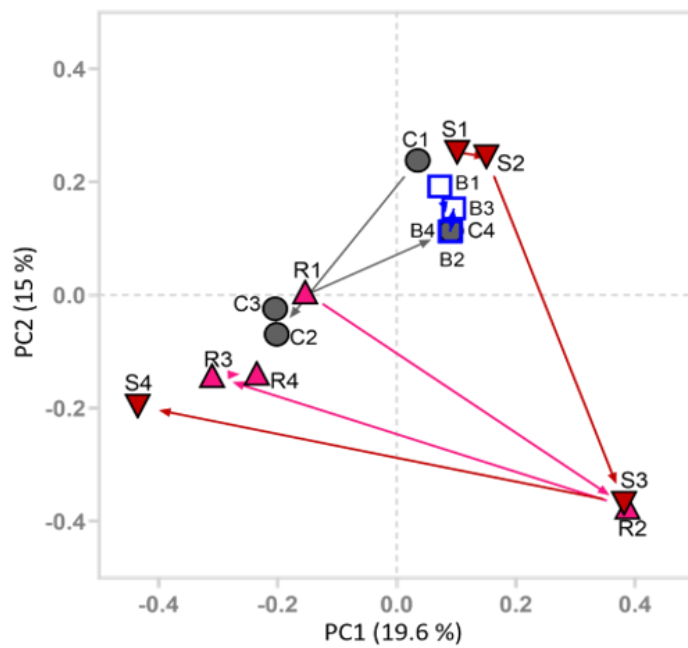
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A. Bacteria



B. Fungi



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