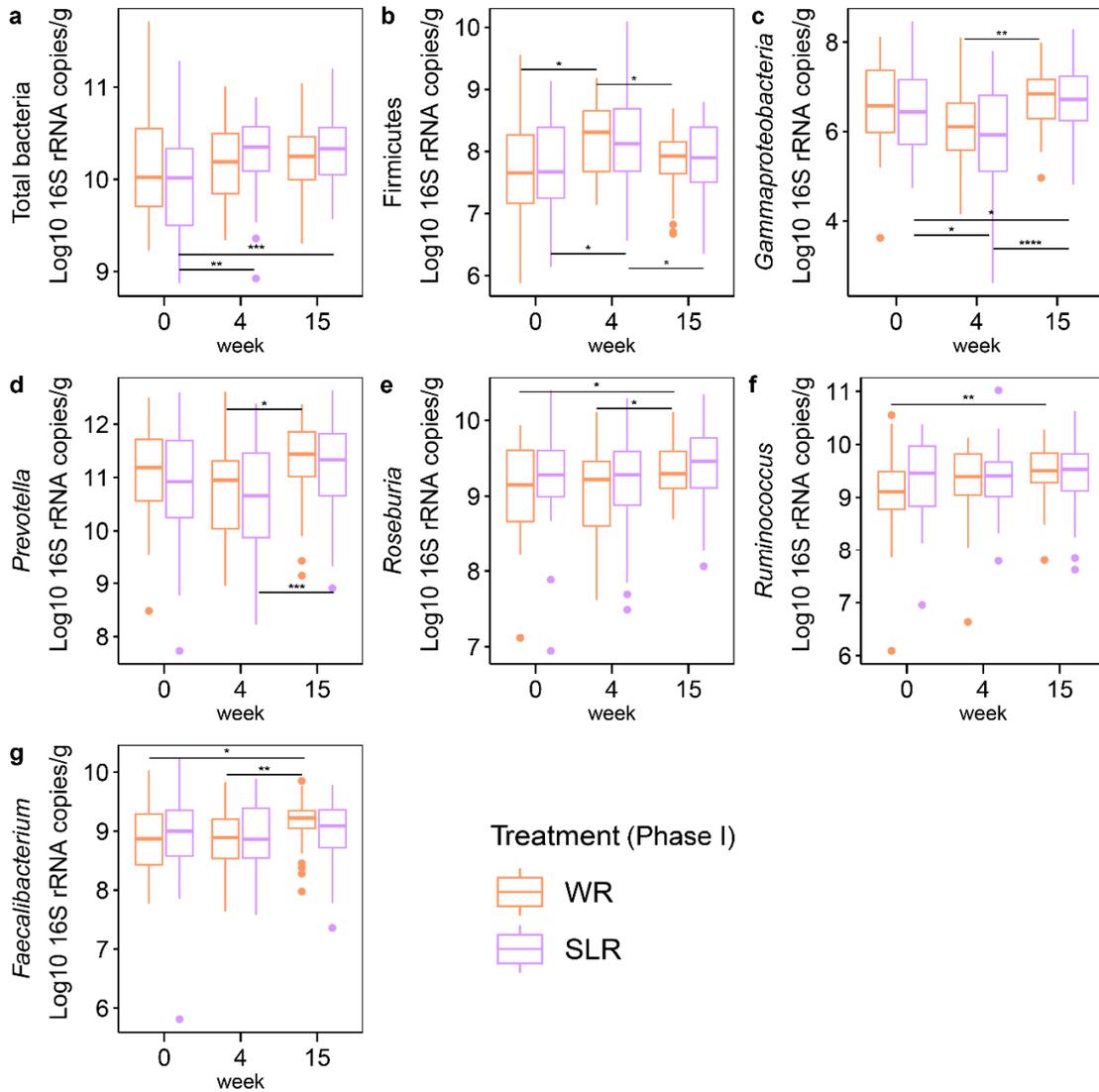
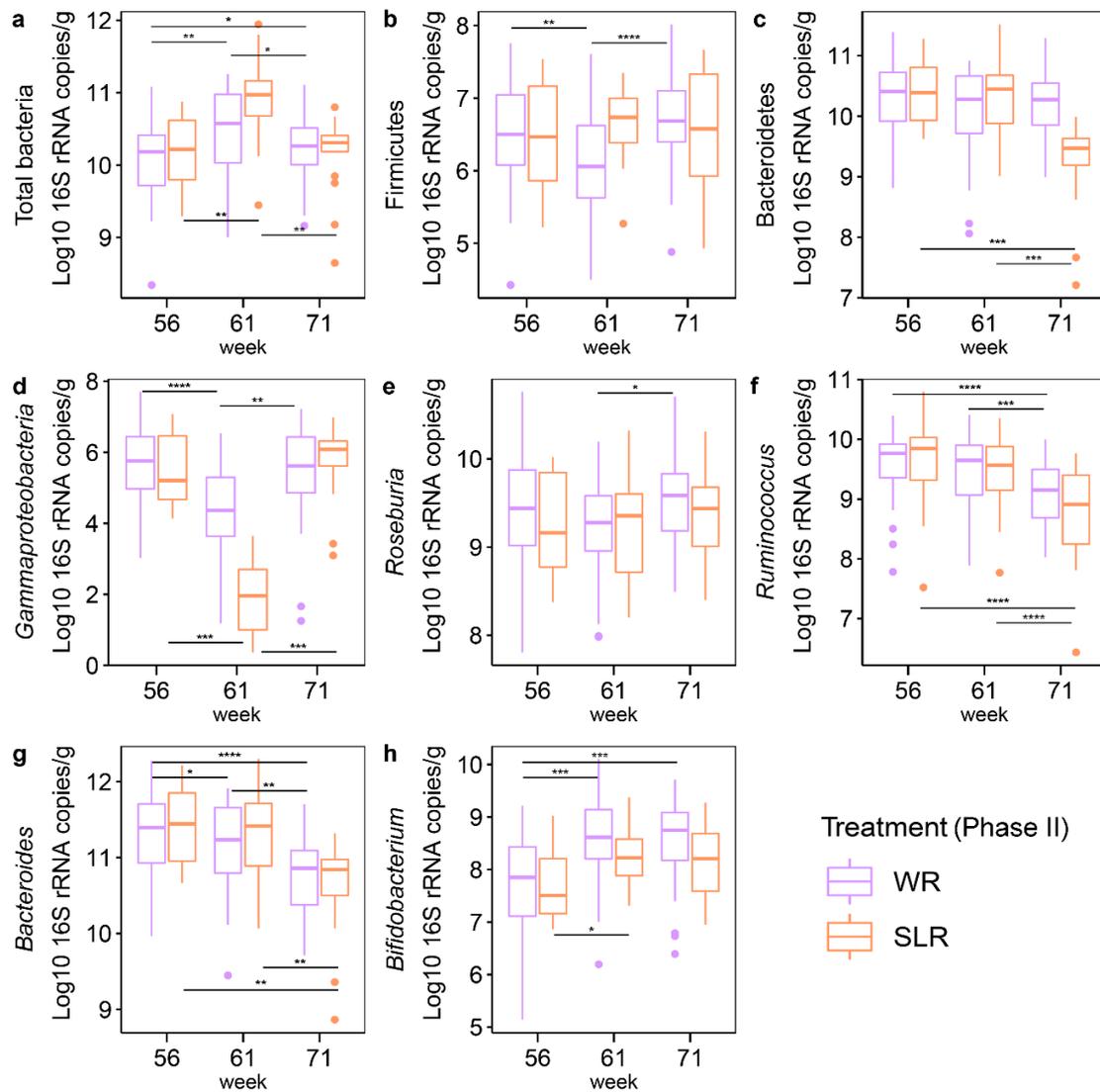


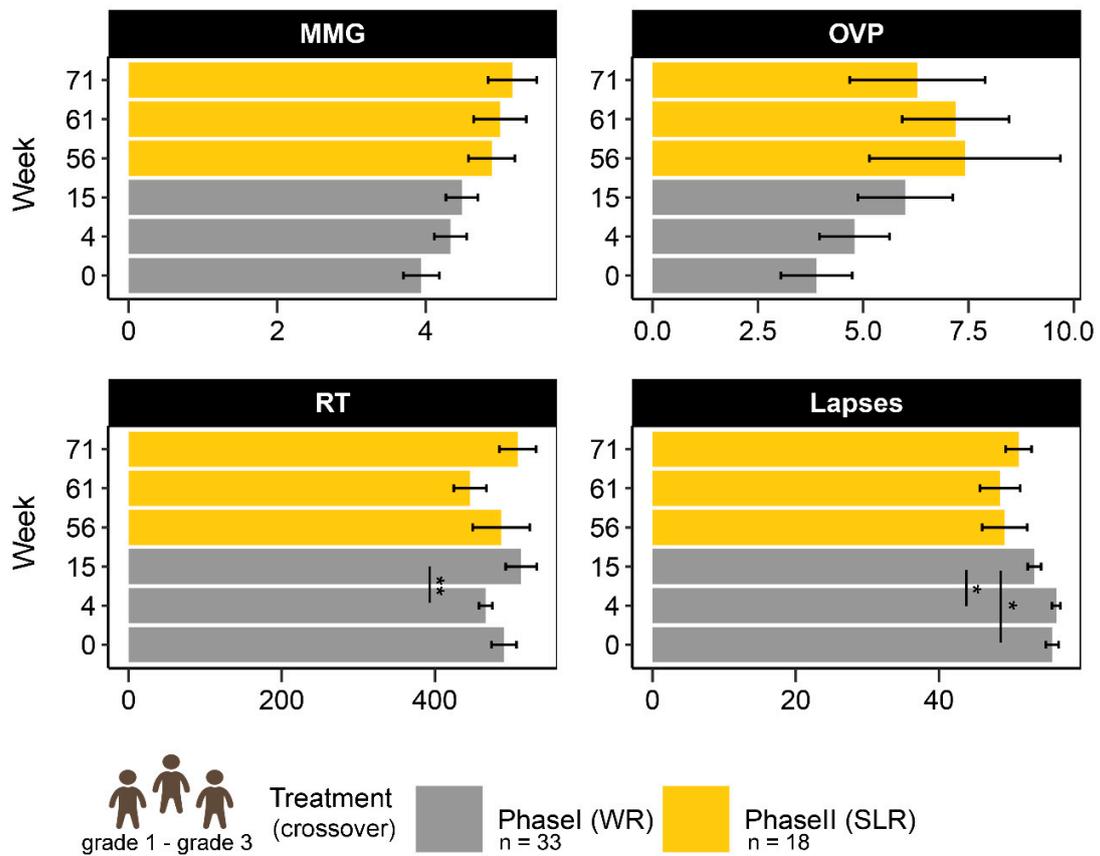
## Supplementary figures



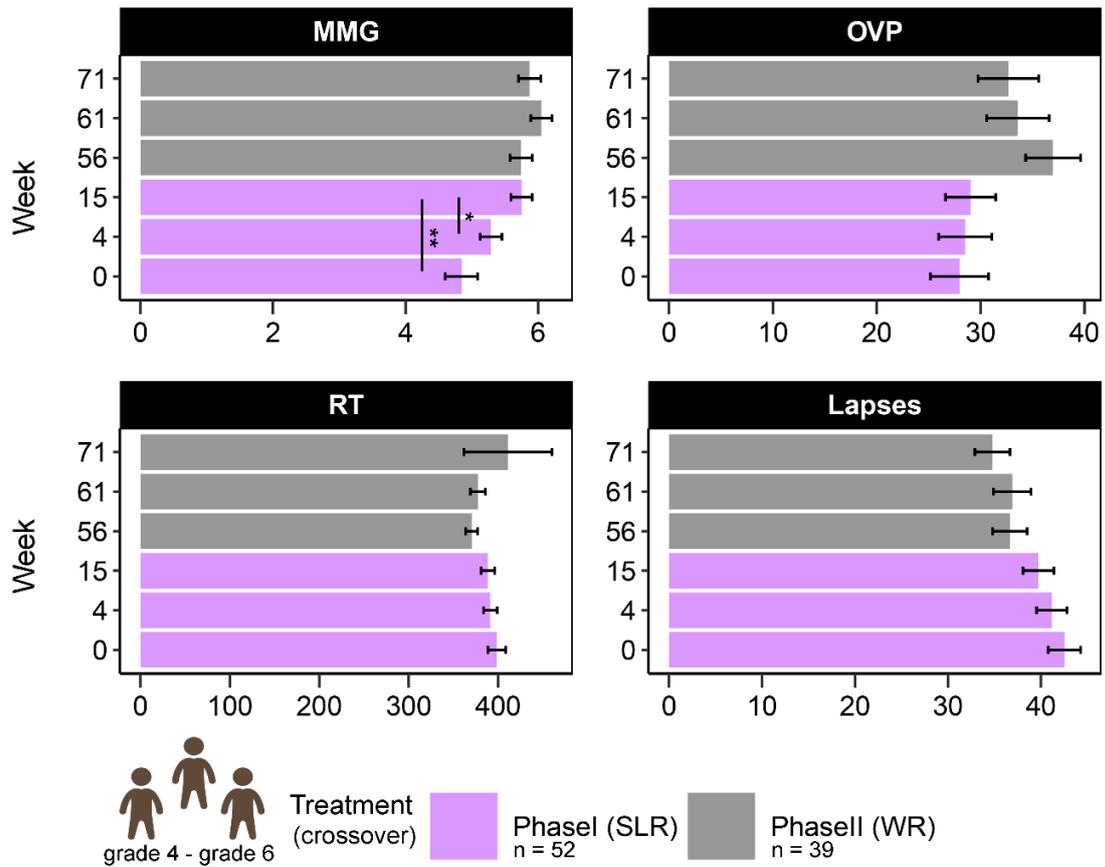
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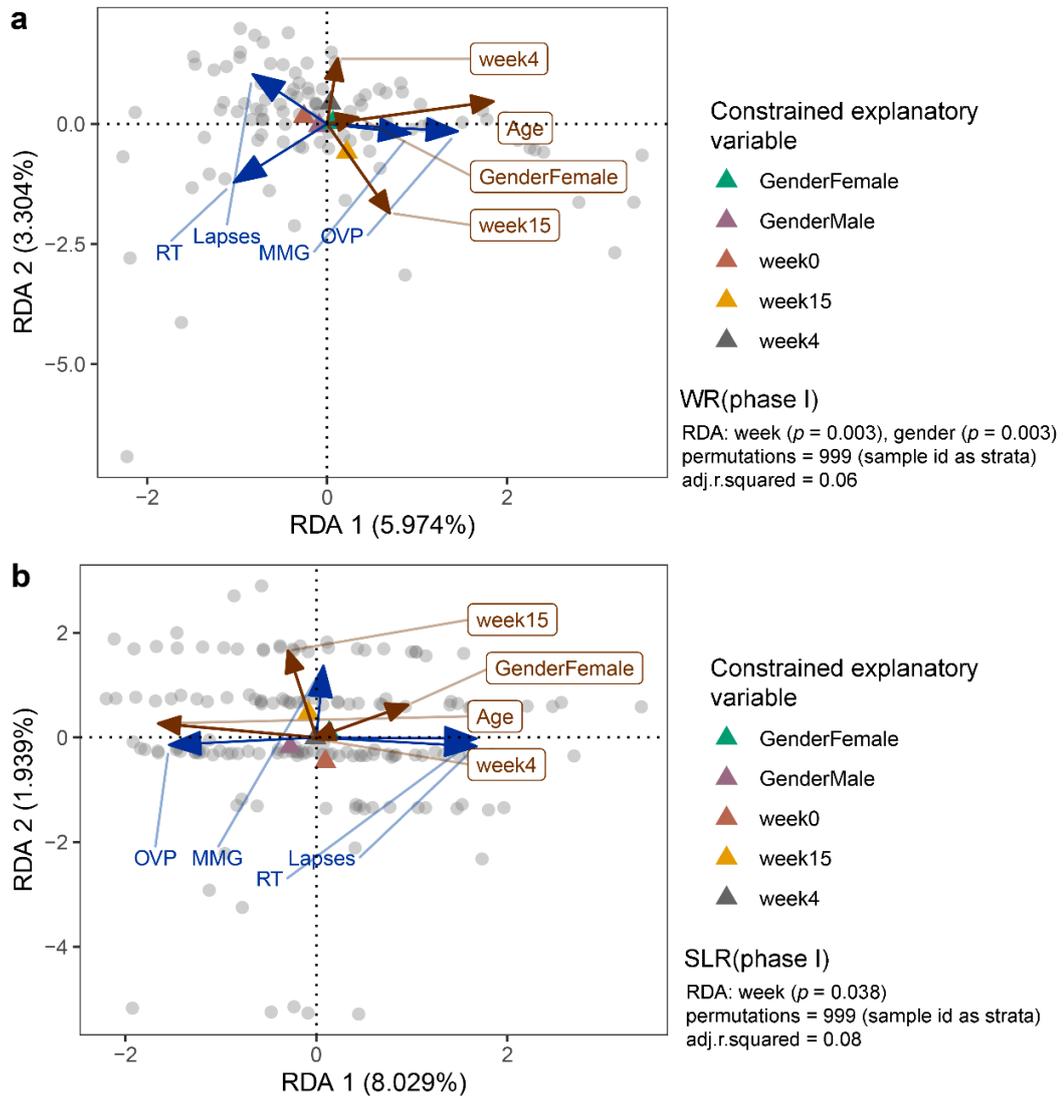
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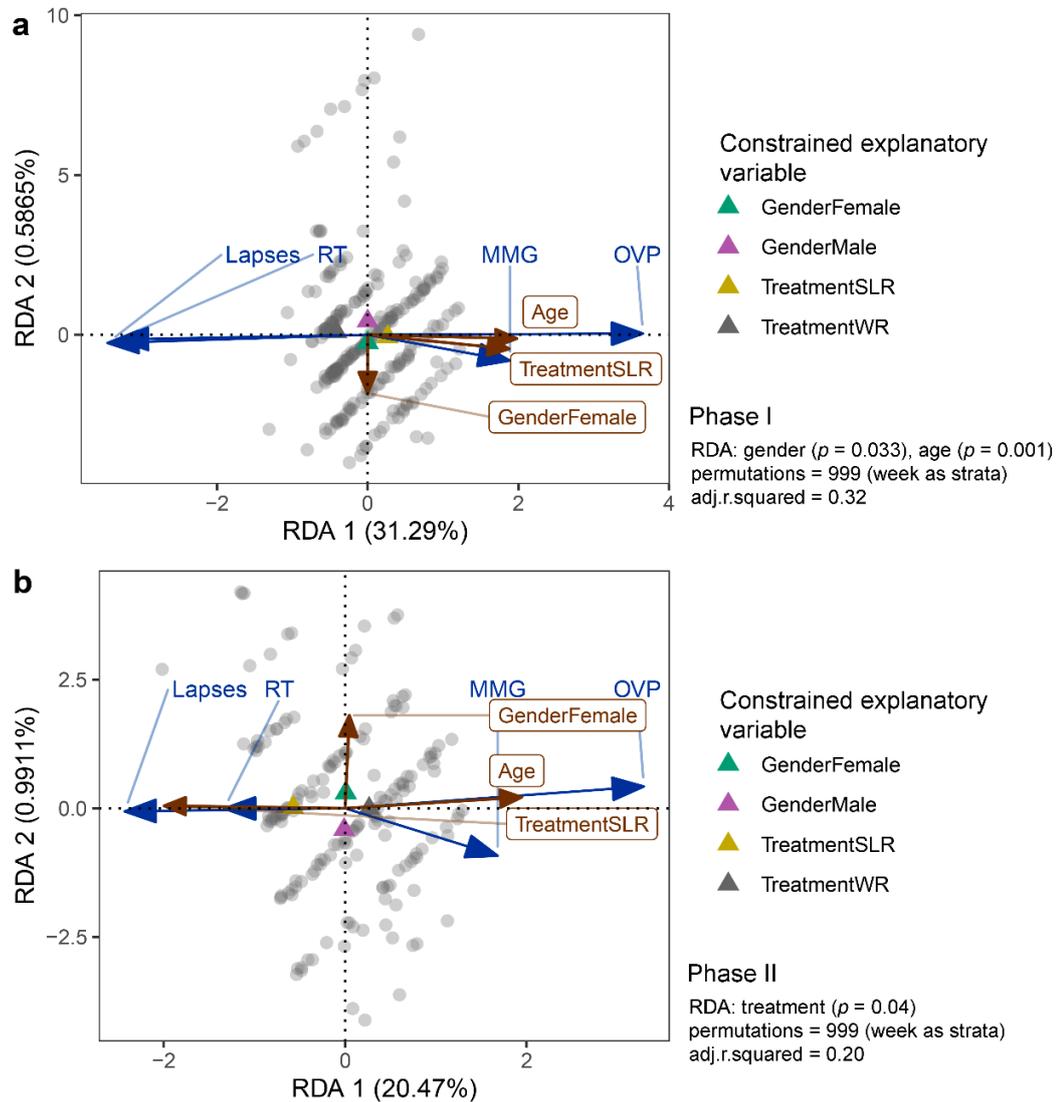
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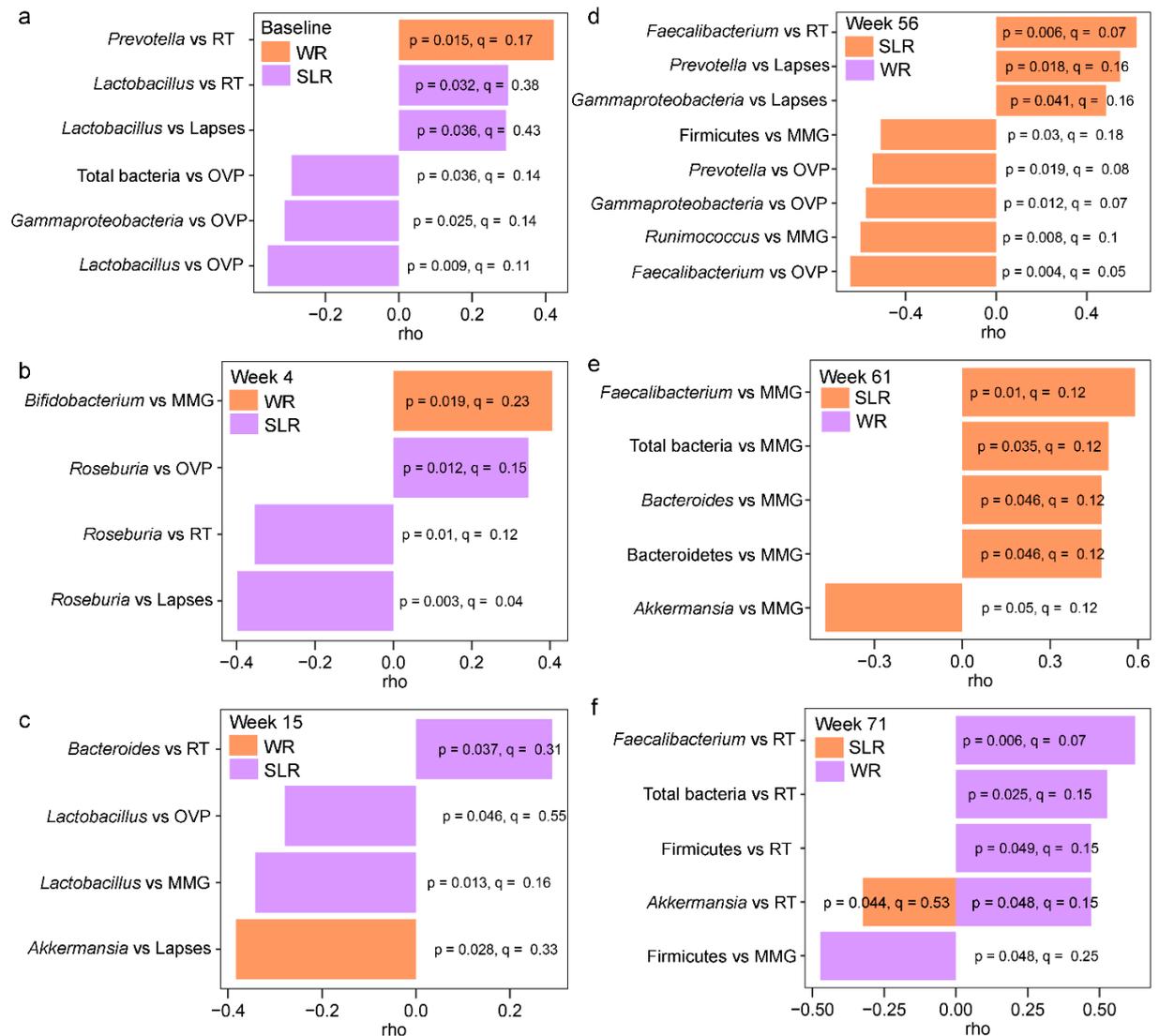
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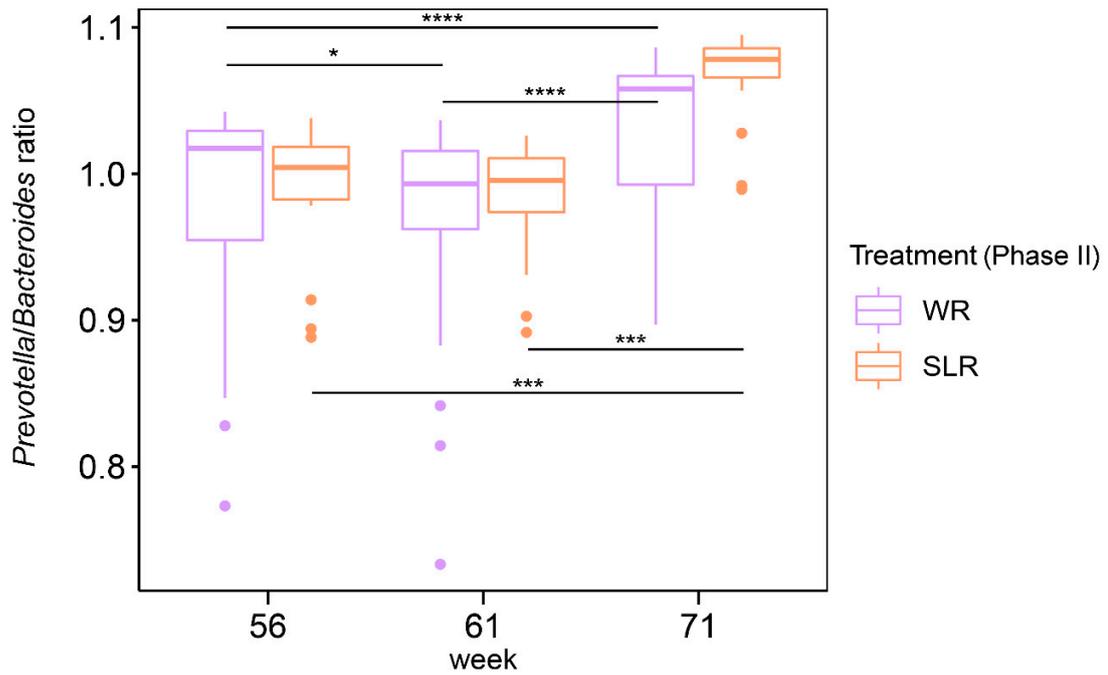
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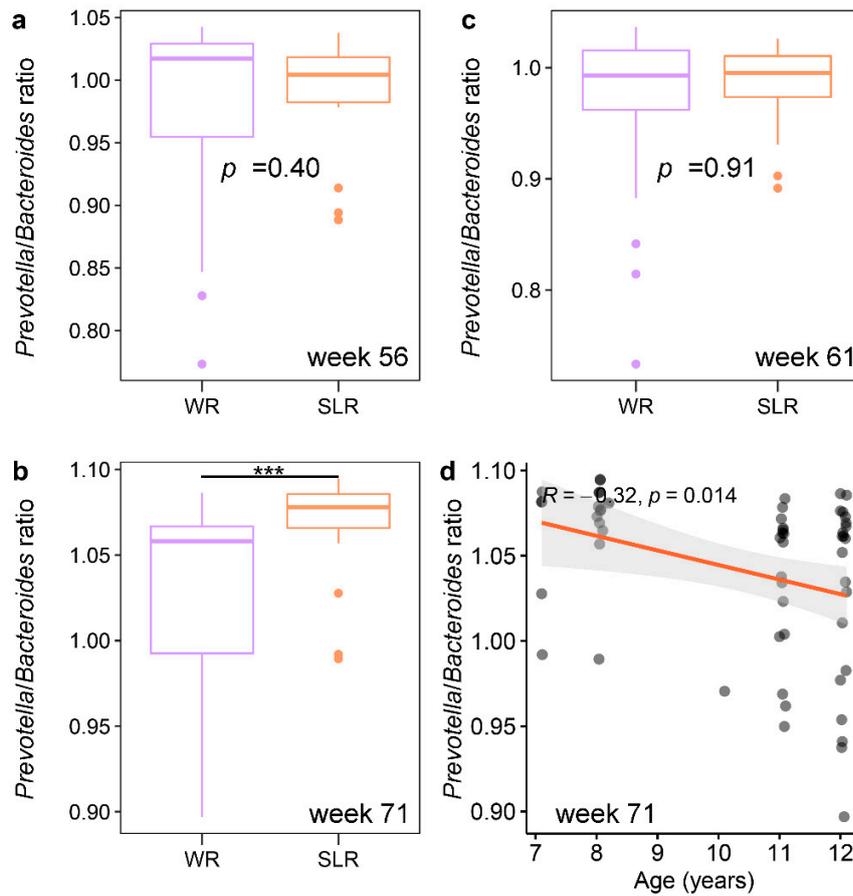
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**Figure S7** The relationship between gut microbiota and cognitive performance of school-aged children in a non-randomized clinical trial (phase I: a-c, phase II: d-f). Associations between gut microbiota and cognitive performance were determined by using the Spearman's rank correlation coefficient. Benjamini-Hochberg (BH)  $p$ -value correction was used for multiple testing adjustment ( $q$ -value). A  $q$ -value less than 0.05 is statistically significant. I. WR, white rice (control); SLR, Sinlek rice intervention; MMG, memory matching game; OVP, overall performance (%); RT, reaction times (millisecond); Lapses (millisecond).

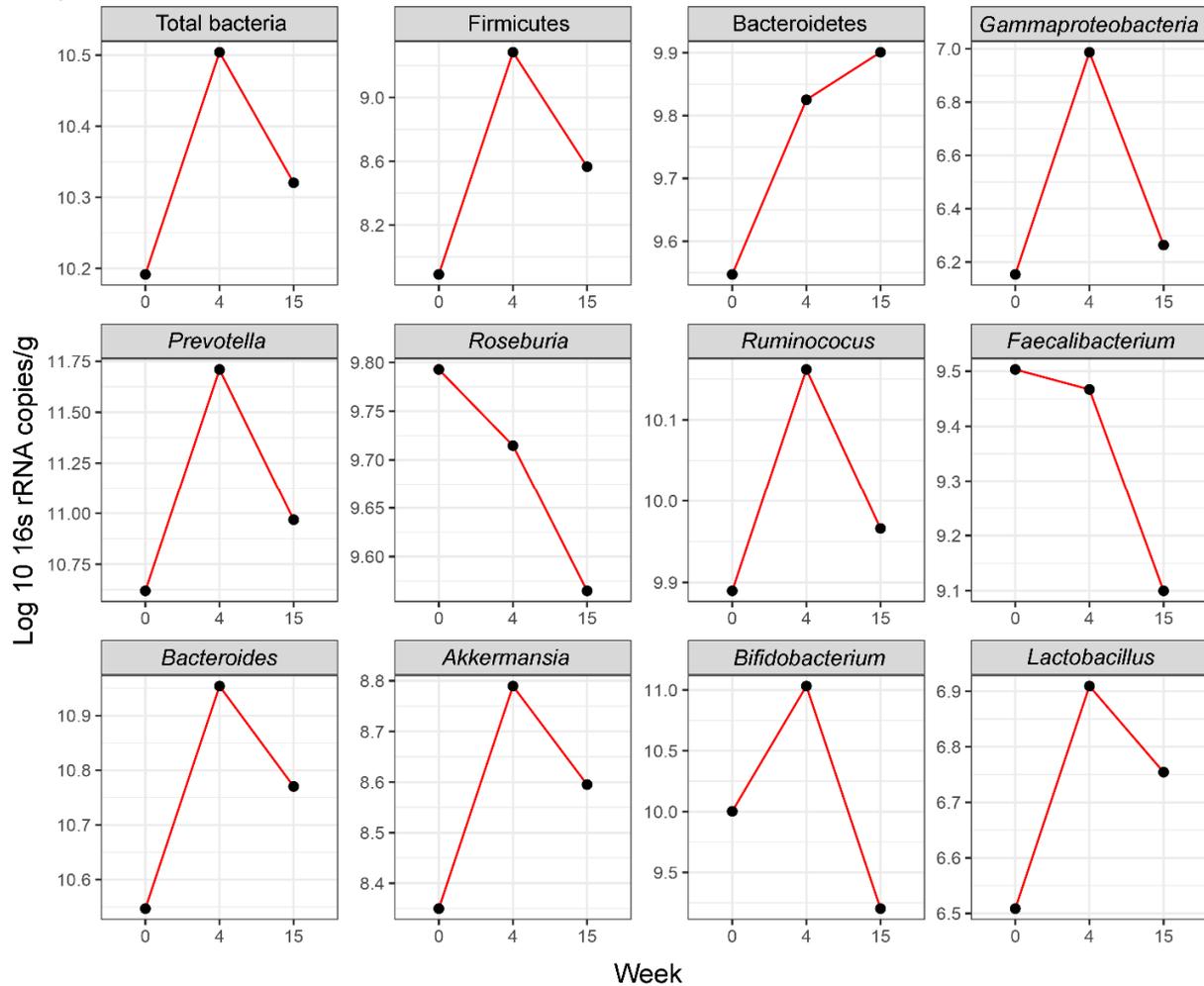


**Figure S8** Boxplots represent *Prevotella/Bacteroides* ratio based on log<sub>10</sub> qPCR 16S rRNA copy number per gram of feces across weeks of phase II. Differences in mean absolute abundances of gut microbiota between time points of each phase (within-subjects) were determined using the Wilcoxon signed rank test with Benjamini-Hochberg (BH) *p*-value correction following the significant results of the Friedman test ( $p < 0.05$ ). \*\*\*\* $q < 0.0001$ , \*\*\* $q < 0.001$  \*\* $q < 0.01$ , \* $q < 0.05$ . WR, white rice (control); SLR, Sinlek rice intervention.

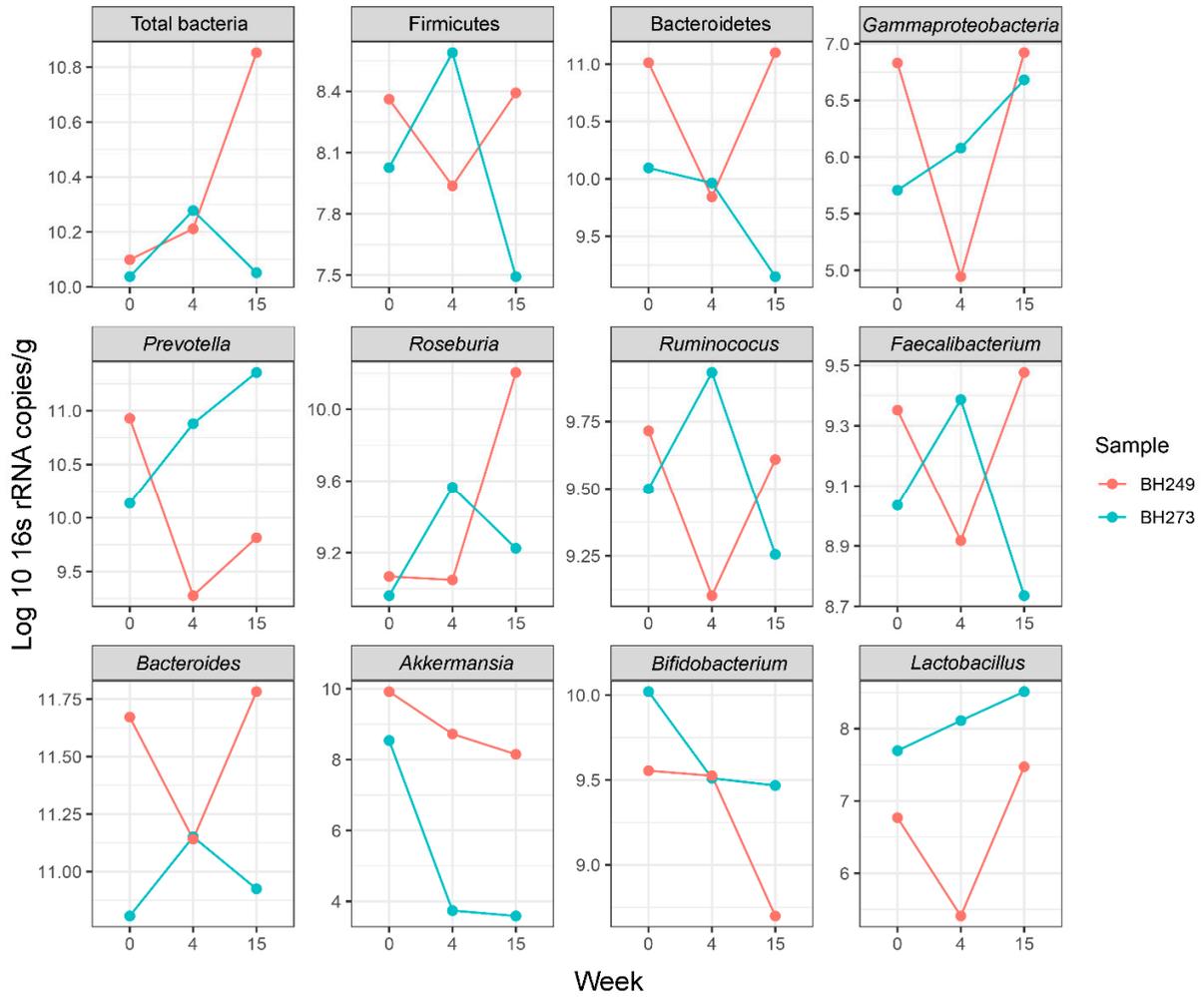


**Figure S9** Boxplots represent *Prevotella/Bacteroides* ratio based on log<sub>10</sub> qPCR 16S rRNA copy number per gram of feces for the control and Sinlek rice intervention in phase II. Differences in mean absolute abundances of gut microbiota between treatment groups were determined using the Wilcoxon rank sum test with Benjamini-Hochberg (BH) *p*-value correction. \*\*\**q* < 0.001 \*\**q* < 0.01, \**q* < 0.05. An association between *Prevotella/Bacteroides* ratio and age of school-aged children was determined by using the Spearman's rank correlation coefficient. WR, white rice (control); SLR, Sinlek rice intervention.

Sample: BH210



**Figure S10** Boxplots of normalized bacterial abundances based on log<sub>10</sub> qPCR 16S rRNA copy number per gram of feces of the BH210 sample across weeks of the SLR intervention (phase I). This sample was obese at baseline and then became overweight at week 4 and 15. WR, white SLR, Sinlek rice intervention.



**Figure S11** Boxplots of normalized bacterial abundances based on log<sub>10</sub> qPCR 16S rRNA copy number per gram of feces of the BH2489 and BH273 samples across weeks of the SLR intervention (phase I). These samples were overweight at baseline and then became normal at week 4 and 15. SLR, Sinlek rice intervention.