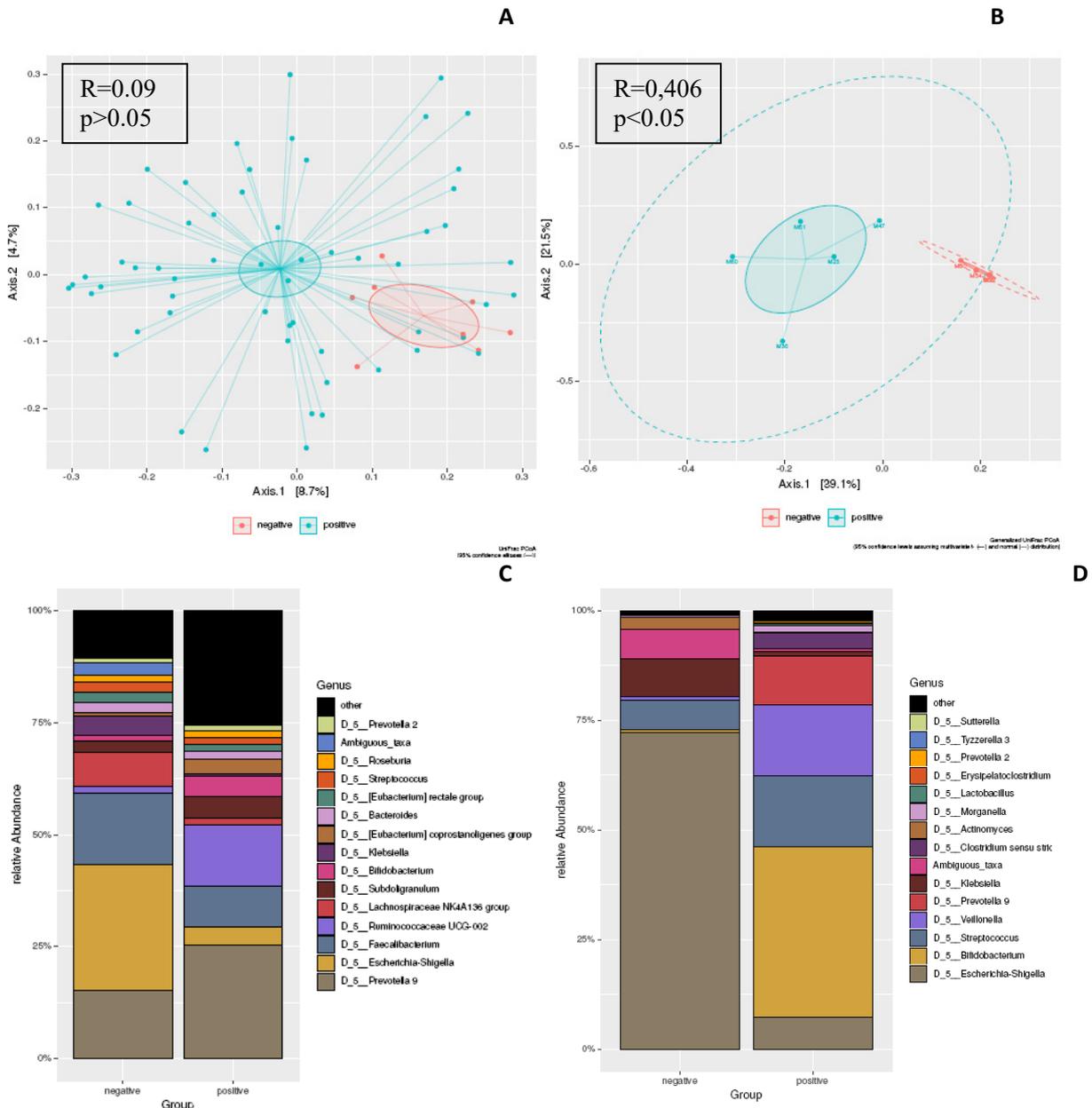


**Table S3A** Alpha diversity indices of positive and negative subjects, grouped in <1year and >1year.

<b>Variables</b>	<b>&lt;1year</b>	<b>Median [min – max]</b>	<b>p value</b>	<b>&gt;1year</b>	<b>Median [min – max]</b>	<b>p value</b>
<b>Patients (number)</b>	Negative (4)	0.10 [0.02 – 0.17]	0.1271	Negative (8)	9.00 [3.00 – 30.00]	0.6389
	Positive (5)	0.25 [0.10 – 0.75]		Positive (59)	10.00 [1.80 – 59.00]	
<b>Chao1 index</b>	Negative (4)	30.25 [19.00 – 49.27]	0.1462	Negative (8)	150.70 [100.40 – 278.80]	0.0087
	Positive (5)	67.00 [20.00 – 95.07]	0.1462	Positive (59)	221.50 [98.60 – 610.00]	
<b>Observed OTUs</b>	Negative (4)	30.00 [19.00 – 46.00]	0.2359	Negative (8)	125.00 [82.00 – 201.00]	0.0037
	Positive (5)	46.00 [20.00 – 86.00]	0.2359	Positive (59)	179.00 [79.00 – 459.00]	
<b>Faith's phylogenetic diversity</b>	Negative (4)	2.259 [0.9572 – 12.040]	0.8066	Negative (8)	11.42 [8.457 – 15.23]	8.005E-05
	Positive (5)	4.654 [2.7080 – 8.697]	0.8066	Positive (59)	16.17 [7.271 – 34.15]	
<b>Pielou's evenness</b>	Negative (4)	0.5158 [0.3748 – 0.6605]	0.7370	Negative (8)	0.6546 [0.3435 – 0.7211]	0.1752
	Positive (5)	0.5549 [0.1764 – 0.6777]	0.7370	Positive (59)	0.7239 [0.4092 – 0.8355]	
<b>Shannon index</b>	Negative (4)	1.569 [1.3800 – 2.420]	0.8576	Negative (8)	3.138 [1.514 – 3.817]	0.0760
	Positive (5)	1.887 [0.6059 – 3.019]	0.8576	Positive (59)	3.636 [2.194 – 4.962]	



**Figure S3.** Positive versus negative subjects comparisons: Beta diversity analysis.

(S3 FigA): The UniFrac distances between positive (n=59) and negative (n=8) subjects (>1 year) using principal coordinate analysis (PCoA). (S3 FigB) The UniFrac distances between positive(n=5) and negative (n=4) subjects (< 1 year). (S3 FigC) The plot of top 15 relative bacterial abundances at the Genus level, showing a diversity of positive versus negative in > 1 year subjects (S3 FigD) The plot of top 15 relative bacterial abundances at the genus level, showing a diversity of positive versus negative in <1 year subjects.