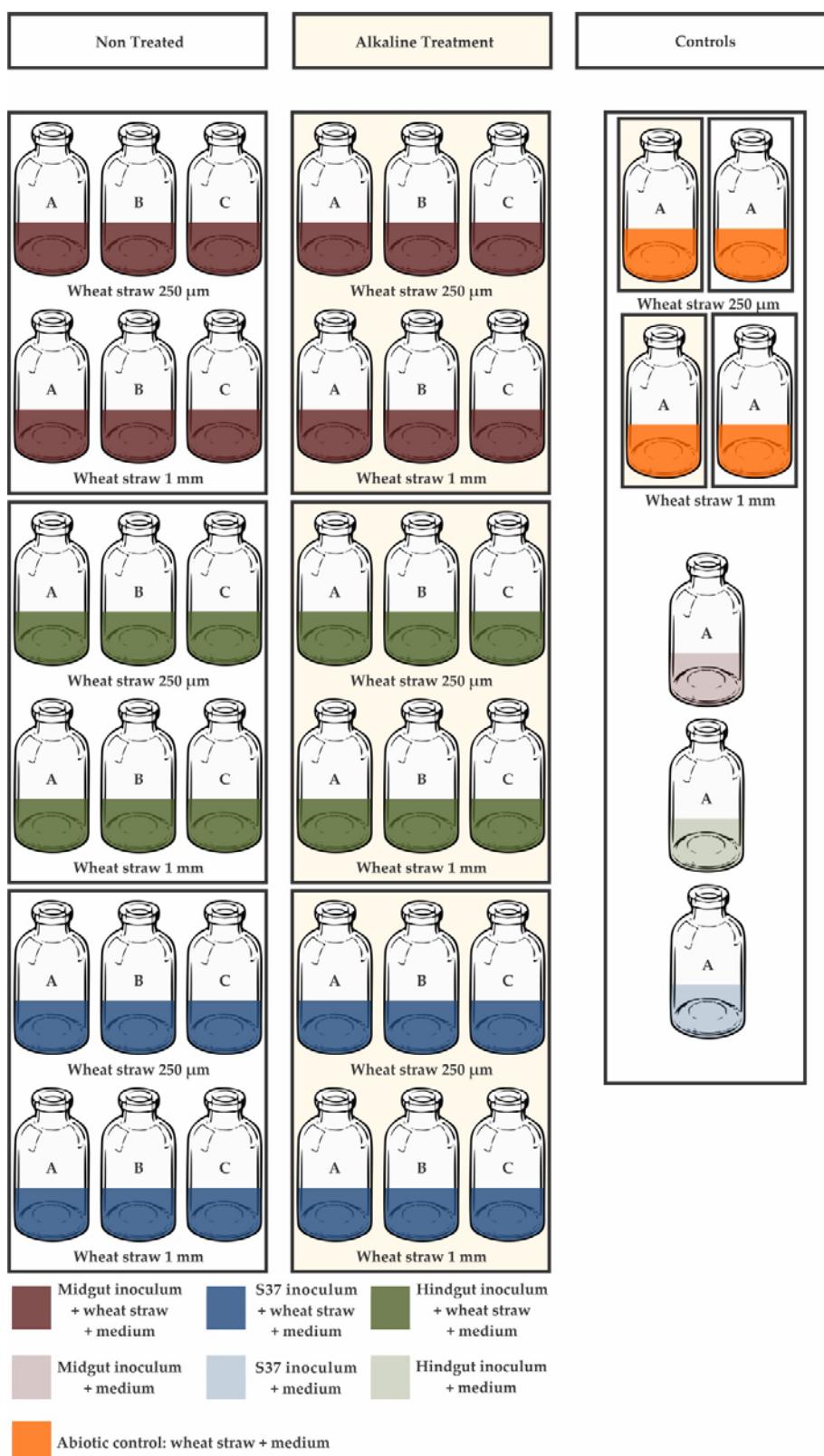


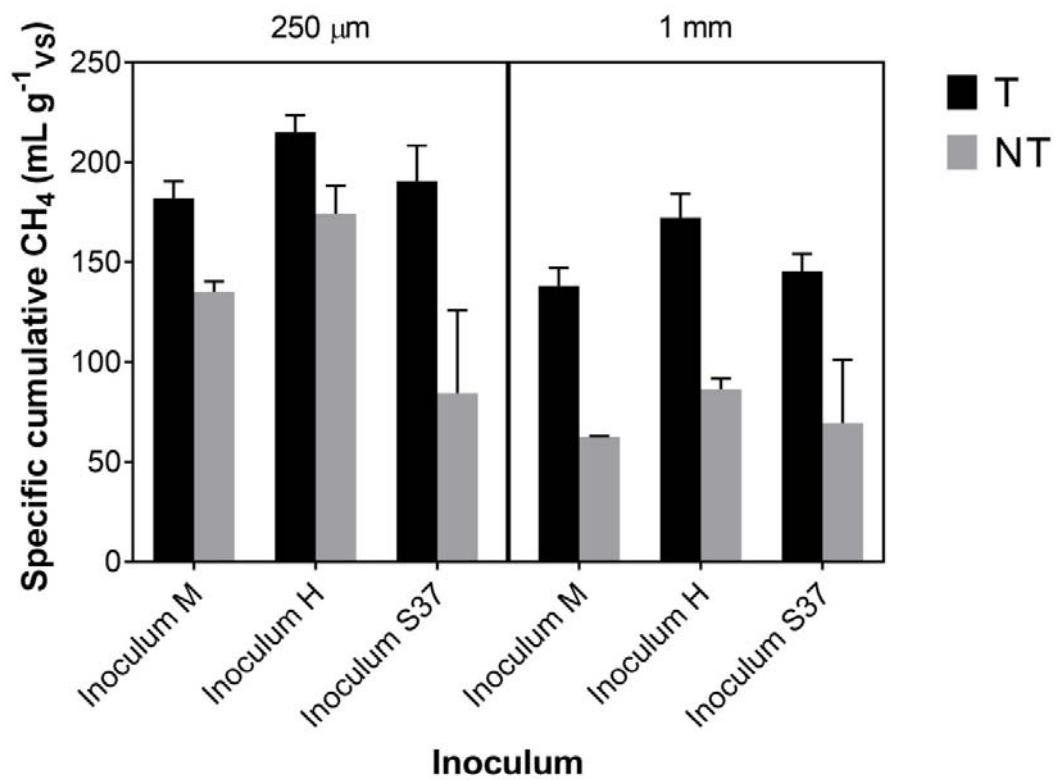
# **Effect of Alkaline and Mechanical Pretreatment of Wheat Straw on Enrichment Cultures from *Pachnoda marginata* Larva Gut**

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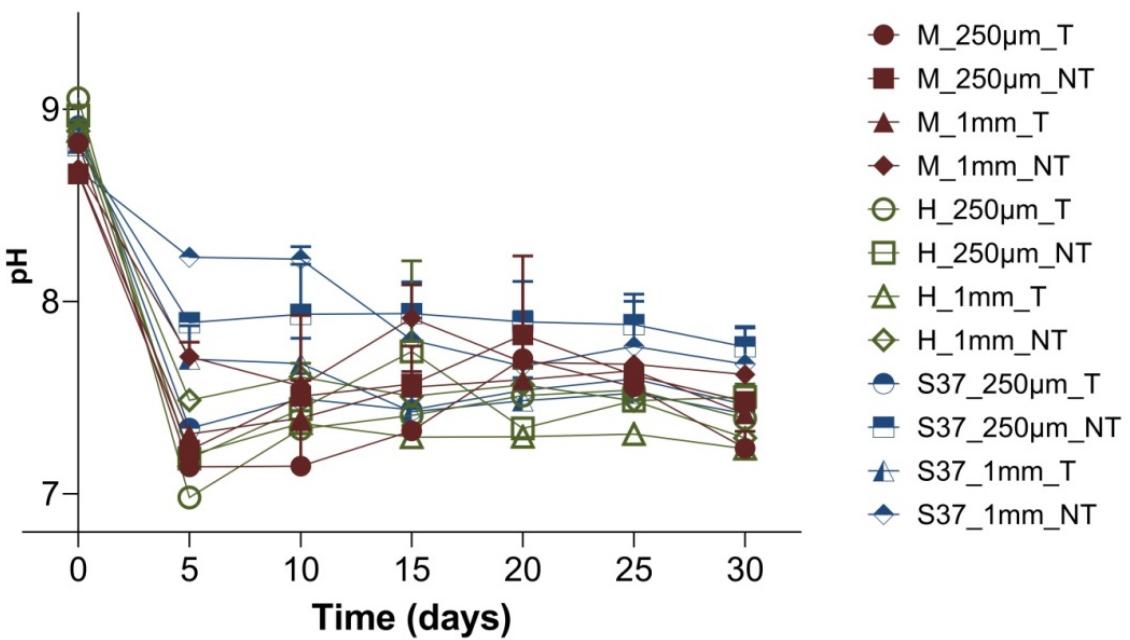
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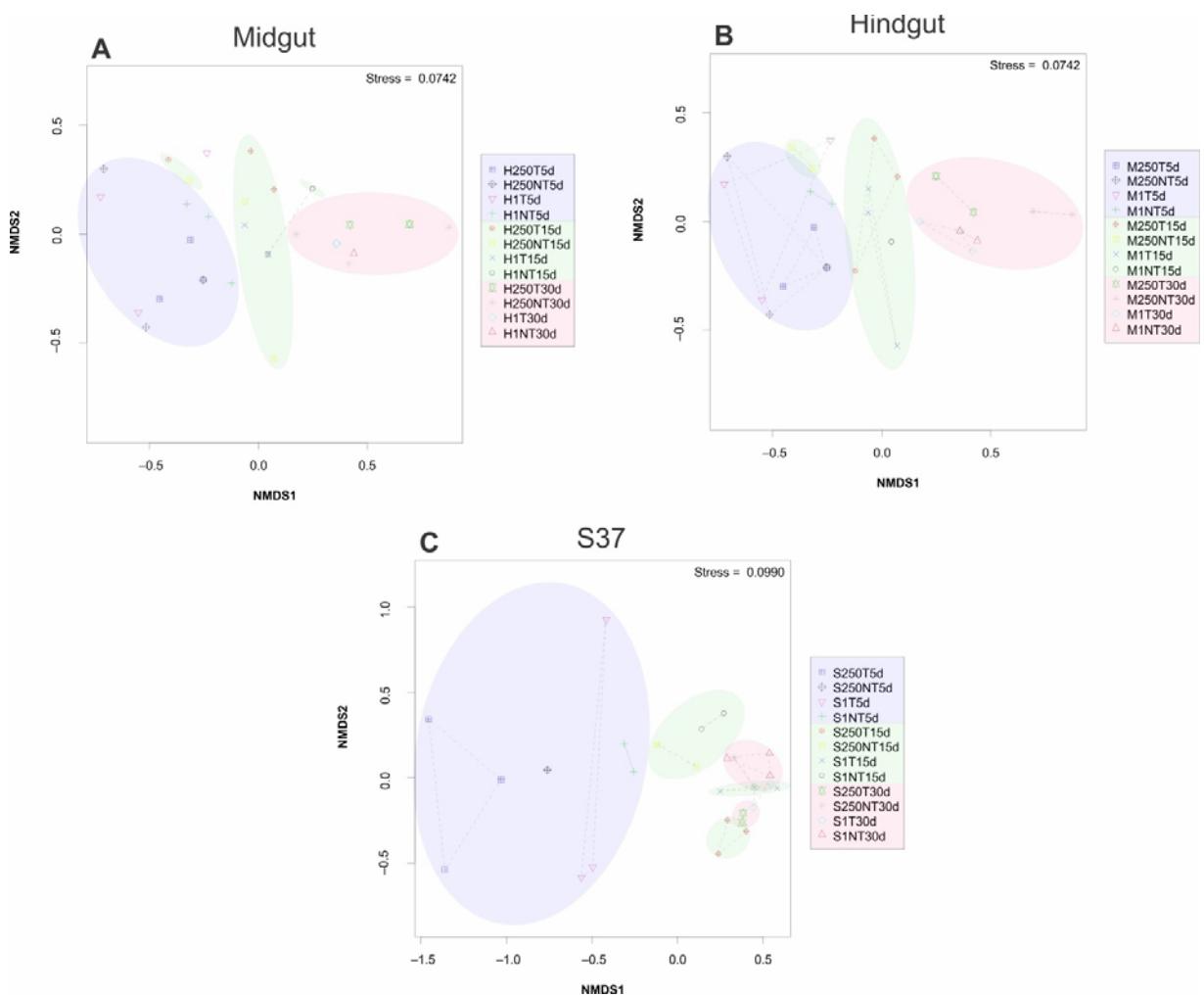
**Figure S1:** Experimental design.



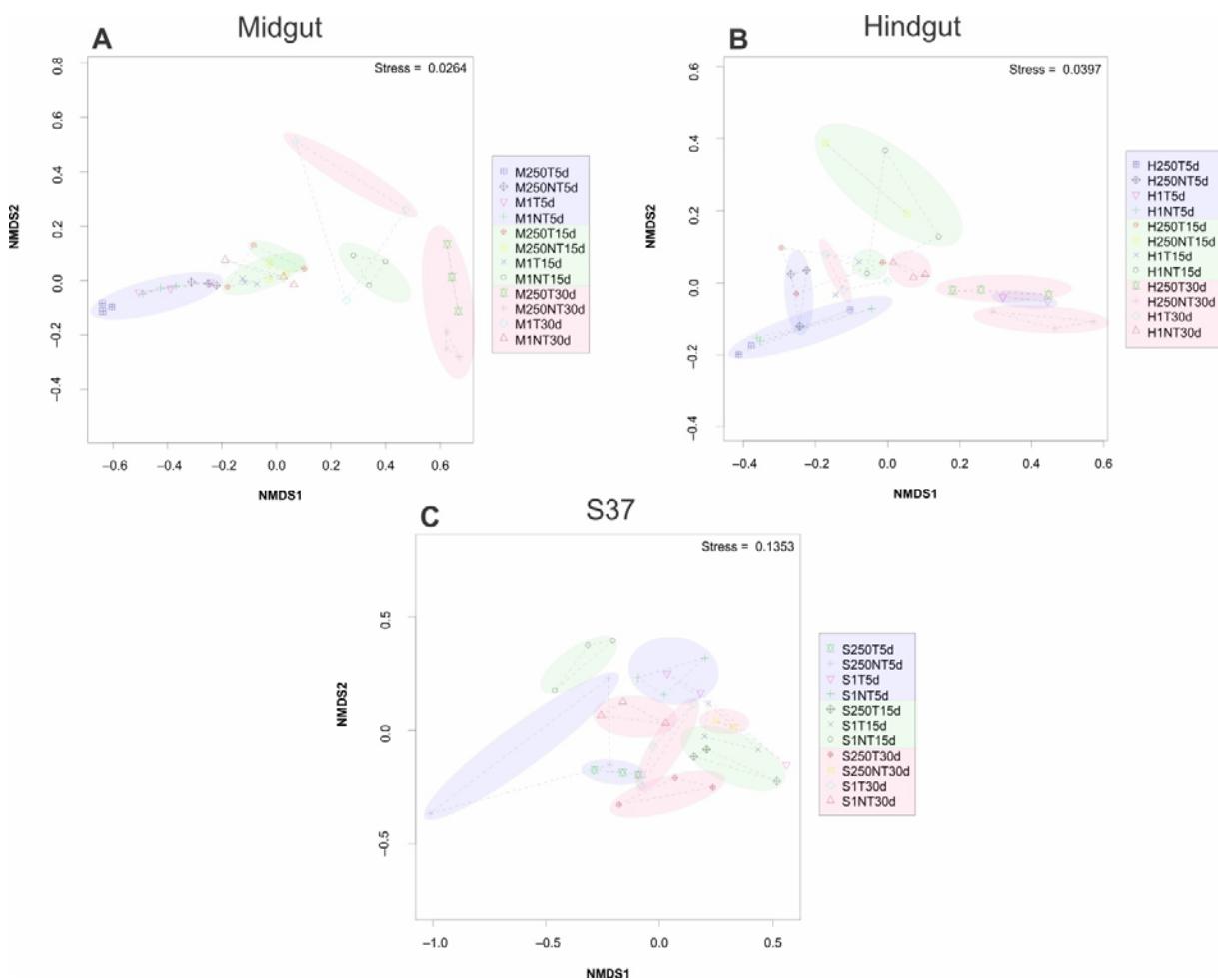
**Figure S2:** Specific cumulative methane at 30 days of cultivation.



**Figure S3:** pH over 30 days of cultivation in the midgut (**M**), hindgut (**H**) larva cultures and and Szarvas soda lake (**S37**) culture. The error bars represent the standard deviation of the mean of  $n = 3$  (invisible error bars are smaller than the symbol).



**Figure S4:** Bacterial community dynamics at 5, 15 and 30 days of cultivation. The non-metric multidimensional scaling (NMDS) plot of T-RFLP profiles of bacterial 16S rRNA gene amplicons obtained by *RSa I* restriction enzyme. Plot based on Bray–Curtis dissimilarity index showing the similarity relationships of the (A) midgut cultures, (B) hindgut cultures and (C) Szarvas soda lake cultures.



**Figure S5:** Methanogenic community dynamics at 5, 15 and 30 days of cultivation. The non-metric multidimensional scaling (NMDS) plot of the T-RFLP data obtained by *BstN I* restriction enzyme. Plot based on Bray–Curtis dissimilarity index showing the similarity relationships of the (A) midgut cultures, (B) hindgut cultures and (C) Szarvas soda lake cultures.

**Table S1:** Specific cumulative methane at 30 days of cultivation data.

	A			B			C			D		
	250 µm		T	250 µm		NT	1 mm		T	1 mm		NT
Inoculum M	172.306	184.8334	188.8305	139.69	136.44	129.48	127.84	144.01	142.7	62.99	61.92	62.37
Inoculum H	206.78	223.5951	215.0911	158.05	183.84	180.76	159.4374	174.7111	182.8481	88.22303	80.59464	90.5458
Inoculum S37	191.1593	208.096	172.807	66.01834	131.8814	55.58448	153.8788	136.5968	146.0129	87.30989	88.13875	32.99552

**Table S2:** The three-way ANOVA analysis of specific cumulative methane at 30 days of cultivation. P value lower than 0.05 is considered significant.

Table Analyzed	Specific methane 30 days			
Three-way ANOVA	Ordinary			
Alpha		0.05		
<b>Source of Variation</b>	<b>% of total variation</b>	<b>P value</b>	<b>P value summary</b>	<b>Significant?</b>
Row factor	11.26	<0.0001 ****		Yes
(AB vs CD)	24.9	<0.0001 ****		Yes
(AC vs BD)	49.08	<0.0001 ****		Yes
Row factor x (AB vs CD)	2.195	0.0516 ns		No
Row factor x (AC vs BD)	1.751	0.0888 ns		No
(AB vs CD) x (AC vs BD)	0.504	0.2261 ns		No
Row factor x (AB vs CD) x (AC vs BD)	2.476	0.037 *		Yes
<b>ANOVA table</b>	<b>SS</b>	<b>DF</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>F (DFn, DFd)</b> <b>P value</b>
Row factor	10680	2		5340 F (2, 24) = 17.24 P<0.0001
(AB vs CD)	23620	1		23620 F (1, 24) = 76.27 P<0.0001
(AC vs BD)	46563	1		46563 F (1, 24) = 150.4 P<0.0001
Row factor x (AB vs CD)	2082	2		1041 F (2, 24) = 3.362 P=0.0516
Row factor x (AC vs BD)	1662	2		830.8 F (2, 24) = 2.683 P=0.0888
(AB vs CD) x (AC vs BD)	478.1	1		478.1 F (1, 24) = 1.544 P=0.2261
Row factor x (AB vs CD) x (AC vs BD)	2349	2		1175 F (2, 24) = 3.793 P=0.0370
Residual	7432	24		309.7

**Table S3:** Tukey's multiple comparisons test of specific cumulative methane at 30 days of cultivation. P value lower than 0.05 is considered significant.

Compare each cell mean with every other cell mean					
	1				
Number of families	1				
Number of comparisons per family	66				
Alpha	0.05				
Tukey's multiple comparisons test	Mean Diff.	95.00% CI of diff.	Significant?	Summary	Adjusted P Value
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum M:Group B	46.79-5.021 to 98.59	No	ns		0.1034
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum M:Group C	43.81-8.001 to 95.61	No	ns		0.1544
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum M:Group D	119.667-7.76 to 171.4	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum H:Group A	-33.17-84.97 to 18.64	No	ns		0.4971
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum H:Group B	7.773-44.03 to 59.58	No	ns	>0.9999	
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum H:Group C	9.658-42.15 to 61.47	No	ns		0.9999
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum H:Group D	95.544-3.73 to 147.3	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum S37:Group A	-8.697-60.51 to 43.11	No	ns	>0.9999	
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum S37:Group B	97.545-69 to 149.3	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum S37:Group C	36.49-15.31 to 88.30	No	ns		0.3633
Inoculum M:Group A vs. Inoculum S37:Group D	112.560-70 to 164.3	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum M:Group C	-2.98-54.79 to 48.83	No	ns	>0.9999	
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum M:Group D	72.782-20.97 to 124.6	Yes	**		0.0017
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum H:Group A	-79.95-131.8 to -28.14	Yes	***		0.0005
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum H:Group B	-39.01-90.82 to 12.79	No	ns		0.277
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum H:Group C	-37.13-88.94 to 14.68	No	ns		0.3402
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum H:Group D	48.75-3.059 to 100.6	No	ns		0.0783
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum S37:Group A	-55.48-107.3 to -3.676	Yes	*		0.0285
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum S37:Group B	50.711-1.099 to 102.5	No	ns		0.0589
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum S37:Group C	-10.29-62.10 to 41.52	No	ns		0.9998
Inoculum M:Group B vs. Inoculum S37:Group D	65.721-39.1 to 117.5	Yes	**		0.0055
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum M:Group D	75.762-39.5 to 127.6	Yes	**		0.001
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum H:Group A	-76.97-128.8 to -25.16	Yes	***		0.0008
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum H:Group B	-36.03-87.84 to 15.77	No	ns		0.3807
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum H:Group C	-34.15-85.96 to 17.66	No	ns		0.4557
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum H:Group D	51.73-0.07902 to 103.5	No	ns		0.0506
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum S37:Group A	-52.5-104.3 to -0.6962	Yes	*		0.045
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum S37:Group B	53.691-1.881 to 105.5	Yes	*		0.0376
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum S37:Group C	-7.313-59.12 to 44.50	No	ns	>0.9999	
Inoculum M:Group C vs. Inoculum S37:Group D	68.716-89 to 120.5	Yes	**		0.0033
Inoculum M:Group D vs. Inoculum H:Group A	-152.7-204.5 to -100.9	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum M:Group D vs. Inoculum H:Group B	-111.8-163.6 to -59.98	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum M:Group D vs. Inoculum H:Group C	-109.9-161.7 to -58.10	Yes	****	<0.0001	
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Inoculum M:Group D vs. Inoculum S37:Group A	-128.3-180.1 to -76.45	Yes	****	<0.0001	
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Inoculum M:Group D vs. Inoculum S37:Group C	-83.07-134.9 to -31.26	Yes	***		0.0003
Inoculum M:Group D vs. Inoculum S37:Group D	-7.055-58.86 to 44.75	No	ns	>0.9999	
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Inoculum H:Group A vs. Inoculum H:Group C	42.82-8.985 to 94.63	No	ns		0.1752
Inoculum H:Group A vs. Inoculum H:Group D	128.776-89 to 180.5	Yes	****	<0.0001	
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Inoculum H:Group A vs. Inoculum S37:Group B	130.778-85 to 182.5	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum H:Group A vs. Inoculum S37:Group C	69.661-17.85 to 121.5	Yes	**		0.0028
Inoculum H:Group A vs. Inoculum S37:Group D	145.793-87 to 197.5	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum H:Group B vs. Inoculum H:Group C	1.884-49.92 to 53.69	No	ns	>0.9999	
Inoculum H:Group B vs. Inoculum H:Group D	87.763-55.95 to 139.6	Yes	***		0.0001
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Inoculum H:Group B vs. Inoculum S37:Group B	89.723-79.1 to 141.5	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum H:Group B vs. Inoculum S37:Group C	28.72-23.09 to 80.53	No	ns		0.69
Inoculum H:Group B vs. Inoculum S37:Group D	104.752-93.20 to 156.5	Yes	****	<0.0001	
Inoculum H:Group C vs. Inoculum H:Group D	85.883-4.07 to 137.7	Yes	***		0.0002
Inoculum H:Group C vs. Inoculum S37:Group A	-18.36-70.16 to 33.45	No	ns		0.9745
Inoculum H:Group C vs. Inoculum S37:Group B	87.843-6.03 to 139.6	Yes	***		0.0001
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