The multifunctional sactipeptide Ruminococcin C1 displays potent antibacterial activity in vivo as well as other beneficial properties for human health

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Figure S1. In vivo efficacy of vancomycin. In preliminary in vivo studies, mice were challenged with *C. perfringens* CP24 delivered by intra-peritoneal injection and treated with vancomycin injected in the peritoneal cavity twice daily (bid). Survival was followed.

Localization	Impact	Score
Upir	Normal. stiff	0
Hall	Bristly	1
General morphology	Normal	0
	Abdominal swelling	1
	Arched back	2
	< 10% of initial weight	0
Weight Loss	Between 10% and 20% of initial weight	1
	> 20% of initial weight	2
	Opened	0
Eye lids	Half-opened	1
	Closed	2
Tears	None	0
	Normal looking/red	1
	Eye glued/wounded	2
	Normal. pink	0
Mucosa/ears colors	Lighter color	1
	Yellow or blue	2
· · ·	None	0
Aggressivity	High (repeated biting)	1
C	United	0
Social benavior	Isolated	1
Activities/games	Normal behavior	0
	Reduced activity	1
	Stereotypy	2
	Normal	0
Breathing	Faster or slower	1
	Loud/difficult/suffocation	2
Total score		

Figure S2. Health and physical condition score grid. The health of mice was monitored at 4 and 6 hours post-infection and then daily according to the criteria presented in this table. The sum of the scores of all the criteria give an overall health and physical condition score for each mouse Scores 0, 1, 2 corresponds to : no impact, medium impact and maximum impact respectively.

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Haemogram	Reference Values	Control	RumC1 10 mg/kg	Vancomycin 200 mg/kg
Complete Blood Count				
Leukocytes (G/L)	2.6-10.05	4.3 ± 0.8	4.9 ± 0.8	6.7 ± 0.7
Red blood cells (T/L)	6.5-10.1	13.1 ± 3.3	8.0 ± 0.4	8.6 ± 0.9
Haemoglobin (g/dL)	10.1-16.1	21.1 ± 5.5	12.9 ± 0.4	14.2 ± 1.2
Haematocrit (%. v/v)	32.8-48.0	64.1 ± 15.8	42.3 ± 1.7	45.1 ± 2.6
Platelets				
Trombocyte (G/L)	10-100	595.8 ± 238.2	245.0 ± 15.5	208.0 ± 46.7



Figure S3. Blood analysis. The blood of mice infected with *C. perfringens* and untreated (control) or treated with either RumC1 at 10 mg/kg or vancomycin at 200 mg/kg was collected at the time of death. (A) The complete blood counts and platelets count were measured for each condition. Bold indicates values outside of the reference ranges. (B) IL-6 concentration in serum was measured for each condition.

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ASVs	Log2 fold change with RumC1 (compared to control)	Mean abundance (%)	Genus	Gram
ASV161	-10.08	0.03	Intestinimonas	+
ASV174	-9.33	0.02	Clostridium_XIVb	+
ASV220	-9.26	0.02	Clostridium_sensu_stricto	+
ASV22	-8.83	0.55	Clostridium_XIVb	+
ASV226	-7.78	0.01	NA	+
ASV4	-6.98	2.60	Clostridium_XIVb	+
ASV112	-6.22	0.05	Intestinimonas	+
ASV180	-5.70	0.01	Hespellia	+
ASV208	-4.46	0.01	Clostridium_XIVa	+
ASV102	-3.03	0.09	Intestinimonas	+
ASV238	-2.95	0.01	Intestinimonas	+
ASV104	-2.92	0.07	Clostridium_IV	+
ASV110	-2.66	0.07	Oscillibacter	-
ASV97	-2.58	0.09	NA	+
ASV11	-2.16	1.05	Clostridium_XIVb	+
ASV152	-2.15	0.03	Intestinimonas	+
ASV100	-2.10	0.08	Clostridium_XIVb	+
ASV209	4.29	0.02	Clostridium_XIVa	-
ASV257	8.12	0.01	Anaerostipes	+
ASV267	8.17	0.01	Clostridium_XIVa	-
ASV198	9.35	0.02	Flavonifractor	+
ASV101	12.74	0.17	Desulfovibrio	-

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		Best match RDP					
ASVs	Species	Strain number	GenBank accession number	S_ab score			
ASV161	Intestinimonas butyriciproducens	SRB-521-5-I	KC311367	0.78			
ASV174	Anaerotignum lactatifermentans	G17	AY033434	0.82			
ASV220	Clostridium perfringens	ATCC 13124	CP000246	1.00			
ASV22	Anaerotignum lactatifermentans	G17	AY033434	0.99			
ASV226	Catabacter hongkongensis	HKU16	AY574991	0.65			
ASV4	Anaerotignum lactatifermentans	G17	AY033434	1.00			
ASV112	Intestinimonas butyriciproducens	SRB-521-5-I	KC311367	0.77			
ASV180	Faecalicatena orotica	DSM 1287	FR749917	0.82			
ASV208	Anaerocolumna jejuensis	HY-35-12	AY494606	0.84			
ASV102	Intestinimonas butyriciproducens	SRB-521-5-I	KC311367	0.78			
ASV238	Intestinimonas butyriciproducens	SRB-521-5-I	KC311367	0.78			
ASV104	Ruminococcus bromii	ATCC 27255	L76600	0.63			
ASV110	Oscillibacter ruminantium	GH1	JF750939	0.86			
ASV97	Merdimonas faecis	BR31	KP966093	0.82			
ASV11	Anaerotignum aminivorans	SH021	AB298756	0.79			
ASV152	Intestinimonas butyriciproducens	SRB-521-5-I	KC311367	0.81			
ASV100	Anaerotignum lactatifermentans	G17	AY033434	0.90			
ASV209	Enterocloster aldenensis	RMA 9741	DQ279736	0.96			
ASV257	Anaerostipes butyraticus	35-7	FJ947528	0.99			
ASV267	Acetivibrio ethanolgignens	DSM 3005	FR749897	0.85			
ASV198	Flavonifractor plautii	ATCC 29863	AY724678	0.97			
ASV101	Desulfovibrio piger	ATCC29098	AF192152	0.95			

Figure S4. Main ASVs impacted by RumC1. Caecal contents of broilers chickens were supplemented with C. perfringens CP24 at 106 CFU/mL and treated with RumC1 at 5xMIC of C. perfringens CP24 or left untreated (control). Table (A) regroups all the ASVs impacted more than 2 log2 fold by RumC1 compared to control. The ASV in bold corresponds to C. perfringens CP24 introduced exogenously in the chicken cecal contents. In Table (B) grey highlights correspond to the match with an S_ab score >0.9 (i.e. fairly confidence that the match is correct at the species level).



Figure S5. Migration of HaCaT cells in 1% FBS. On the first day of the experiment, a gap was formed in a HaCaT monolayer cell culture and cells were incubated with or without RumC1 in DMEM, FBS 1%. Gap closure was followed by microscopy daily and is represented by colored lines: red=day 0, dark blue=day 1, green= day 2, light blue= day 3, yellow=day 4.



Figure S6. Migration of HaCaT cells in 10% FBS. On the first day of the experiment, a gap was formed in a HaCaT monolayer cell culture and cells were incubated with or without RumC1 in DMEM, FBS 10%. Gap closure was followed by microscopy daily and is represented by colored lines: red=day 0, dark blue=day 1, green= day 2, light blue= day 3, yellow=day 4.



Figure S7. Antiproliferative assay. The cell lines PC-3 and MIAPaca2 as well as the primary vascular cells HUVEC were incubated with resazurin and conversion into fluorescent resorufin was monitored to determine their proliferation in the absence or presence of increasing concentration of RumC1. Results are expressed as the percentage of maximum response measured without RumC1.

We assayed the potency of RumC1 to inhibit the proliferation of cancer cell lines. Pancreas and prostate human cancer cell lines, respectively MIAPaCa2 and PC-3, were incubated with increasing concentration of RumC1 and their proliferation was followed. Endothelial HUVEC primary cells were also included in the assay, because of their high proliferative rates during angiogenesis. After 24 h of incubation with RumC1 a slight inhibition of proliferation was observed on the 3 cell models but under 10-20% of the maximum proliferation rate measured on untreated cells. Moreover, this low inhibition was not dose-dependent. Therefore, it seems that RumC1 does not act as anti-proliferative agent, at least on these specific human cell models.