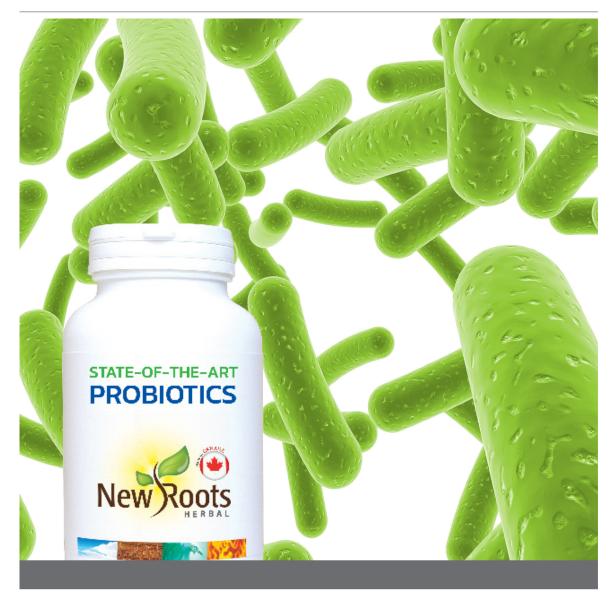


» **PROBIOTIC RANGE**



- Exclusive information for health-care professionals-





PRO-RECOVERY



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GPS™ capsule 20 strains 120 billion CFU

Dose: 1 capsule daily Format: 30 capsules

With FOS and AOS

	Nutritional information	1 optorio capculo
		1 enteric capsule
5	Human strains:	
	L. rhamnosus UB5115	30 billion CFU
	L. casei UB1499	20 billion CFU
	B. bifidum UB4280	4 billion CFU
	B. breve UB8674	4 billion CFU
	B. longum ssp. infantis UB921	
	B. longum ssp. longum UB769	4 billion CFU
	L. acidophilus UB5997	2,2 billion CFU
	B. animalis ssp. lactis UB3963	1 billion CFU
	L. acidophilus LA-14	200 million CFU
	L. crispatus UB4719	200 million CFU
	L. gasseri UB8141	200 million CFU
	L. rhamnosus GG	200 million CFU
	L. fermentum UB9735	200 million CFU
	Plant strains:	
	<i>L. plantarum</i> UB2783	40 billion CFU
	L. brevis UB1214	200 million CFU
	Dairy strains:	
	Dairy strains: <i>L. paracasei</i> UB1978	8,3 billion CFU
	L. reuteri UB2419	700 million CFU
	B. animalis ssp. lactis HN19	200 million CFU
	L. helveticus UB7229	200 million CFU
	L. johnsonii UB3394	200 million CFU
	Inulin	5 mg
	Arabinogalactan	5 mg
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OUR HIGHEST POTENCY PROBIOTIC

Prolonged and multiple antibiotic treatments



PRO-URGENCY



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	Nutritional information	1 enteric capsule
R	Human strains:	
1	B. longum ssp. longum UB7691	9 billion CFU
	L. casei UB1499	9 billion CFU
	L. rhamnosus UB5115	9 billion CFU
	L. acidophilus UB5997	1 billion CFU
	B. bifidum UB4280	1 billion CFU
	B. breve UB8674	1 billion CFU
	B. longum ssp. infantis UB9214	
	Plant strain:	
	L. plantarum UB2783	9 billion CFU
ŝ	Dairy strains:	
	L. helveticus UB7229	9 billion CFU
	L. paracasei UB1978	1 billion CFU
	Inulin	15 mg
	Arabinogalactan	15 mg
	Vitamin C (L-ascorbic acid)	6 mg (8%*)
	*NRV: Nutrient Reference Val	ue in %.

FOR A RAPID RECOVERY OF A BALANCED FLORA

Acute infectious diarrhoea Cardiovascular diseases Stress and depression

IBS URGENCY



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5 strains 12 billion CFU Colostrum 8% p.r.p. With FOS and AOS

PH⁵D capsule

Dose: 2 capsules daily Format: 30 capsules

COMBINATION WITH HIGH CONTENT OF HIGH QUALITY BOVINE COLOSTRUM

Irritable bowel syndrom

	Nutritional information	1 enteric capsule
な	Human strains: B. longum ssp. infantis R0033 B. longum ssp. longum R0175	4 billion CFU
	L. acidophilus R0418	1 billion CFU
0	Plant strain: <u>L. plantarum</u> R1012	1,333 billion CFU
	Dairy strain: <i>L. rhamnosus</i> R0011	1,333 billion CFU
	Bovine colostrum (from <i>Bos</i> (8% proline-rich polypeptide	<i>taurus</i>) s) 135 mg
	Inulin	10 mg
	Arabinogalactan	10 mg



HUMAN BIOTA



12 strains 42 billion CFU With FOS and AOS

Dose: 1 capsule daily Format: 30 capsules

Nutritional information	1 enteric capsule
Human strains:	
L. rhamnosus UB5115	31,5 billion CFU
L. casei UB1499	8,324 billion CFU
L. acidophilus UB5997	1,680 billion CFU
B. infantis UB9214	105 million CFU
B. lactis UB3963	105 million CFU
B. bifidum UB4280	42 million CFU
B. breve UB8674	42 million CFU
B. longum UB7691	42 million CFU
L. crispatus UB4719	42 million CFU
L. gasseri UB8141	42 million CFU
L. acidophilus LA-14	37,8 million CFU
L. rhamnosus GG	37,8 million CFU
Inulin	15 mg
	15 mg
	Human strains: L. rhamnosus UB5115 L. casei UB1499 L. acidophilus UB5997 B. infantis UB9214 B. lactis UB3963 B. bifidum UB4280 B. breve UB8674 B. longum UB7691 L. crispatus UB4719 L. gasseri UB8141 L. acidophilus LA-14 L. rhamnosus GG

12 STRAINS EXCLUSIVELY OF HUMAN ORIGIN TO COLONIZE THE ENTIRE INTESTINAL TRACT

Long-term general well-being Strengthen the immune system Repopulate the entire intestinal tract

FEMINA FLORA ORAL



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GPS™ capsule 16 strains 55 billion CFU With FOS and AOS

Dose: 1-2 capsules daily Format: 30 capsules

PREVENTION OF VAGINAL INFECTIONS, IDEAL FOR PROLONGUED USE

Prevention of vaginal candidiasis and bacterial vaginosis

	Nutritional information	1 enteric capsule
4	Human strains:	
5	L. rhamnosus UB5115	19 billion CFU
	L. acidophilus UB5997	5,25 billion CFU
	L. casei UB1499	12 billion CFU
	B. bifidum UB4280	2 billion CFU
	B. breve UB8674	2 billion CFU
	B. longum UB7691	2 billion CFU
	L. crispatus UB4719	750 million CFU
	L. gasseri UB8141	750 million CFU
	L. rhamnosus GG	300 million CFU
	L. acidophilus LA-14	300 million CFU
	Plant strains:	
	L. plantarum UB2783	8 billion CFU
Δ.	Dairy strains:	
	L. casei LC-11	300 million CFU
	L. helveticus UB7229	500 million CFU
	L. paracasei UB1978	600 million CFU
	L. johnsonii UB3394	750 million CFU
	L. reuteri UB2419	500 million CFU
	Inulin	10 mg
	Arabinogalactan	10 mg

PRO-BOULARDII PLUS



PH⁵D capsule 11 strains + S.boulardii

With FOS and AOS Dose: 1-2 capsules daily Format: 30 capsules

21 billion CFU

	Nutritional information	1 enteric capsule
	Human strains:	
	L. acidophilus R0418	619 million CFU
	B. longum ssp. longum	R0175 338 million CFU
	B. breve R0070	338 million CFU
	B. infantis R0033	338 million CFU
)	Plant strains:	
	S. boulardii	10 billion CFU
	L. plantarum R1012	450 million CFU
	Dairy strains:	
	L. rhamnosus R0011	4,5 billion CFU
	L. rhamnosus R1039	3,375 billion CFU
	L. helveticus R0052	563 million CFU
	L. casei R0215	450 million CFU
	S. salivarius	
	ssp. thermophilus R008	3 225 million CFU
	L. delbrueckii	
	ssp. bulgaricus R9001	56 million CFU
	Inulin	8,3 mg
	Arabinogalactan	8,3 mg

COMPLETE FORMULA WITH S. BOULARDII TO COMBAT AND PREVENT INFECTIOUS DIARRHOEA

Traveler's diarrhoea Infectious gastroenteritis Antibiotic-associated diarrhoea Intestinal candidiasis



PRO-INTENSITY



Dose: 1-2 capsules daily Format: 30 capsules Nutritional information 1 enteric capsule Human strains: L. rhamnosus UB5115 7,427 billion CFU 1,903 billion CFU L. crispatus UB4719 L. casei UB1499 1,887 billion CFU B. animalis ssp. lactis UB3963 1,427 billion CFU L. gasseri UB8141 1,427 billion CFU B. bifidum UB4280 951 million CFU B. breve UB8674 315 million CFU B. longum infantic LID0014 715 million (ELL

ssp. <i>intantis</i> UB9214	315 million CFU
B. longum	
ssp. longum UB7691	315 million CFU
L. acidophilus UB5997	26 million CFU
Plant strains:	
L. salivarius UB4198	1,427 billion CFU
L. plantarum UB2783	73 million CFU
Dairy strain:	
Dairy strain: L. johnsonii UB3394	1,903 billion CFU
L. helveticus UB7229	539 million CFU
L. paracasei UB1978	52 million CFU
Lactococcus lactis LL-23	13 million CFU
Bovine colostrum (from	Bos taurus), high
content of proline-rich po	olypeptides 25 mg

10 <u>mg</u> Inulin Arabinogalactan 10 mg Xylooligosaccharides (XOS) 10 mg Vitamin C (L-ascorbic acid) 6 mg

THE BROADEST CONTRIBUTION OF PROBIOTIC STRAINS, WITH COLOSTRUM TO STRENGTHEN THE **IMMUNE SYSTEM**

Crohn's disease
Ulcerative colitis
Hypercholesterolemia
Diabetes mellitus

ACIDOPHILUS ULTRA



PH⁵D capsule 11 strains 11 billion CFU

With FOS and AOS Dose: 1 to 2 capsules daily

Format: 30, 60, 120 capsules

	Nutritional information	1 enteric capsule
R	Human strains:	
1	L. acidophilus R0418	605 million CFU
	<i>B. longum</i> ssp. <i>longum</i> R0175	330 million CFU
	B. infantis R0033	330 million CFU
	B. breve R0070	330 million CFU
	Plant strains:	
	L. plantarum R1012	440 million CFU
	Dairy strains:	
	L. rhamnosus R0011	4,4 billion CFU
	L. rhamnosus R1039	3,3 billion CFU
	L. helveticus R0052	550 million CFU
	L. casei R0215	440 million CFU
	S. salivarius	
	ssp thermophilus R0083	220 million CFU
	L. delbrueckii	
	ssp bulgaricus R9001	55 million CFU
	Inulin	10 mg
	Arabinogalactan	10 mg

ADVANCED FORMULA WHICH HELPS MAINTAIN AND **RE-ESTABLISH THE FLORA'S FUNCTION**

Balance of the intestinal flora Reinforcement of immune system Pregnancy and breastfeeding period

CHILDREN'S PRO



12 strains 10 billion CFU With FOS and AOS

Dose: 2 dose-measuring scoops daily Format: 20 g.

THE MOST COMPLETE PROBIOTICS SUPPLEMENT FOR CHILDREN, WITH L. REUTERI BALANCING INTESTINAL FUNCTIONS AND STRENGTHENING THE **IMMUNE SYSTEM**

Antibiotic-associated diarrhoea Lactose intolerance Eczema, asthma, allergies

	Nutritional information	2 scoops
H	Human strains: L. rhamnosus UB5115	6,629 billion CFU
	L. casei UB1499	1,284 billion CFU
	B. longum ssp. infantis UB9214	1,040 billion CFU
	L. rhamnosus GG	1 billion CFU
	B. breve UB8674	214 million CFU
	B. longum ssp. longum UB769	
	L. acidophilus UB5997	18 million CFU
	Plant strains:	50 million CFU
×	L. plantarum UB2783	50 Million CFU
	Dairy strains:	
	L. reuteri UB2419	351 million CFU
	L. helveticus UB7229	43 million CFU
	L. paracasei UB1978	36 million CFU
	L. johnsonii UB3394	9 million CFU
	Inulin	5 mg
	Arabinogalactan	5 mg

PREBIOTICS

INULIN

A fructooligosaccharide (FOS) from plants, extracted from the chicory root (Cichorium intybus). It acts as a prebiotic, creating an appropriate environment for probiotics, or beneficial microorganisms, to reproduce faster and in larger quantities (1-3). It increases

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ARABINOGALACTAN

An arabinooligosaccharide (AOS) from plants, from the alerce tree (Larix laricina). It's an excellent prebiotic since it increases the production of short-chain fatty acids, mainly butyrate, which acts as an energy substrate for the epithelial cells of the colon and as protection for the intestinal mucosa. It activates immune response and se-

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XYLOOLIGOSACCHARIDES

They are xylan-derived oligosaccharides with a prebiotic effect stimulating the selective growth of beneficial bacteria. XOS also have other beneficial health effects. These positive effects are related to the optimisation of colon functions, as well as the metabolism (in-

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COLOSTRUM (STANDARDISED AT 30% IMMUNOGLOBULIN G)

Bovine colostrum from New Roots Herbal is high guality, free of pesticides, hormones, heavy metals and antibiotics, and has the maximum amount of proline-rich polypeptides (8% PRPs) available for reducing the inflammatory response responsible for some of the symptoms related to Irritable Bowel Syndrome and Permeable Bowel Syndrome (intestinal dysbiosis).

It contains a high proportion of immunoglobulin (IgG), antimicrobial factors (lactoferrin), immune-modulating polypeptides, antiinflammatory cytokines, growth factors and other bioactive compounds that promote immune response. It inhibits an excessive production of "oxygen-reactive species" and acts synergically as a prebiotic for the intense growth of specific probiotic strains. Growth factors participate in the regeneration and proliferation of the intestinal epithelium for correct intestinal absorption and permeability⁽¹⁾. Proline-rich polypep-

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lectively stimulates the growth and activity of probiotic bacteria ⁽¹⁾. It's useful for combating infections because of its capacity to decrease bacterial adherence (2-3). Additionally, it reduces the intestinal pH and improves mineral absorption⁽³⁻⁶⁾.

the population of Bifidobacterium probiotics in the colon and redu-

ces toxic metabolites and harmful enzymes. It prevents pathologi-

cal and autogenous diarrhoea as well as constipation, and protects

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tides are some of the most important integrating components of colostrum because of their capacity to modulate the immune system and regulate the production of certain cytokines, the signaling molecules that control the inflammatory process⁽¹⁻²⁾.

Clinical studies show that bovine colostrum regulates immune response after exercise (3-4), reduces muscle damage and inflammation after exercise (5), has a protective effect on the respiratory tract mucosa (6-7), is effective for diarrhoea associated with HIV treatment⁽⁸⁾, reduces the duration and severity of diarrhoea from rotavirus (9), and prevents gastrointestinal damage (increased permeability) caused by non-steroidal antiinflammatory drugs (10). The lactoferrin it contains inhibits the growth of various pathogenic microorganisms such as Helicobacter pylori⁽¹¹⁾.

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STRAIN ORIGIN

A balance of probiotic species from HUMAN, DAIRY and PLANT sources ensures probiotic activity throughout the

intestinal tract.



Human strains

Fundamental for immune performance and selective permeability within the intestine.

Dairy strains

Beneficial for lactose intolerance, digestive disorders and the production of lactic acid which inhibits excessive growth of pathogenic microorganisms.



Plant strains

These prosper without oxygen, which allows them to combat the growth and activity of gas-producing bacteria which contribute to Irritable Bowel Syndrome.

GPS[™] ENTERIC CAPSULES

In order to ensure the efficacy of our probiotics, we use an advanced water-based GPS™ enteric coating.

The GPS™ coating guarantees that the contents of the capsule survive stomach acids and are released only in the

intestine.

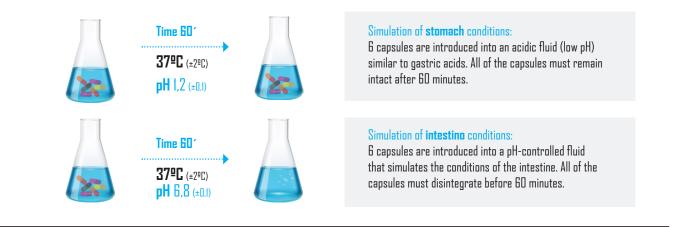
The **GPS™** capsules only disintegrate at a pH of 5,5 or higher.

In order to ensure that this is really the case, a disintegration test is carried out for each batch of the final product.



Natural water-based **GPS[™] enteric coating** Gastric Protective System

DISINTEGRATION TEST OF THE UNITED STATES PHARMACOPOEIA, USP 2040 (2 steps:)



PROBIOTIC RANGE

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More than 55 billion CFU from 16 probiotic strains for the maintenance of a balanced vaginal flora and to prevent and fight vaginal infections. Various clinical studies have shown that oral administration of Lactobacillus populates the vaginal mucosa within a

Reid, Gregor, et al. "Oral use of Lactobacillus rhamnosus GR-1 and L. fermentum RC-14 significantly alters vaginal flora: randomized, pla-cebo-controlled trial in 64 healthy women." FE-MS Immunology & Medical Microbiology 35.2 (2003): 131-134

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PRO-RECOVERY

Our highest potency probiotic delivers 120 billion CFUs of 20 beneficial probiotic strains, including 13 human strains to rapidly re-establish flora throughout the intestinal tract. It re-establishes the predominance of beneficial strains that can be drastically reduced by frequent antibiotic use (1-3). Pro-Recovery's strain selection reflects the probiotic species that provide maximum benefits. Probiotic species of human origin exhibit the ability to

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PRO-BOULARDII PLUS

It supplies 10 billion CFUs from Saccharomyces boulardii, a non-pathogenic yeast capable of neutralizing the effects of **pathogenic** bacteria such as E. coli⁽¹⁾ and C. difficile⁽²⁾. In addition to infectious diarrhoea, it's effective at preventing antibiotic-associated diarr-

Czerucka, Dorota, et al. "Experimental effects of *Saccharomyces boulardii* on diarrheal pathogens." Microbes infection 4.7 (2002): 733-, 739.

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PRO-URGENCY

It provides 50 billion CFUs from 10 strains of beneficial probiotics to quickly re-establish intestinal flora. It greatly reduces the risk of antibiotic-associated diarrhoea (AAD) and helps treat acute infectious diarrhoea. There is evidence backing the effectiveness of high doses of probiotics for reducing the risk of acute antibiotic-associated diarrhoea and diarrhoea from *Clostridium difficile* ⁽¹⁻³⁾. Pro-Urgency can be used for the relief or prevention of AAD or infections caused by pathogens. The use of **Bifidobacterium infantis** is uncommon in

Exclusive formula providing more than 42 billion CFU from 12 beneficial strains of human origin. Although the origin of a probiotic stra-

in is not the sole criterion for efficacy, the probiotic species of human

origin have the capacity to survive the intestinal transit. This charac-

teristic allows them to colonize and exert their benefits at multi-

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HUMAN BIOTA

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ple sites within the entire gastrointestinal tract. (1-5). It helps restore mucosal barrier integrity and function and is useful to promote longterm general wellbeing. It boosts immunity against bacterial infections (e.g., E. coli) and viral infections (e.g., influenza vaccinations) ⁽¹⁰⁵⁻¹⁰⁸⁾ and is effective in preventing antibiotic-associated diarrhoea ⁽¹⁹²⁾.

adults, but studies have shown its benefit for intestinal symptoms

such as pain and bloating; it regulates intestinal transit (4) and protects against pathogenic bacteria (5). L. plantarum reduces the risk

factors for cardiovascular diseases such as atherosclerosis⁽⁶⁾, hyper-

cholesterolemia and high arterial blood pressure (7). Its high content

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ACIDOPHILUS ULTRA

The probiotic strains present in AcidophilusUltra have been extensively researched in human clinical trials for the treatment of **diverse** afflictions such as antibiotic-associated diarrhoea, *H. pylori* colonization, irritable bowel syndrome, gastrointestinal disorders and lactose intolerance, among others.

The effectiveness of **multi-strain probiotics** has also been studied on diverse pathological conditions such as: Crohn's disease ⁽¹⁾, ulcerative colitis ⁽²⁻³⁾, *H. pylori* colonization ⁽⁴⁾ and antibiotic-associa-

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PRODUCT	POTENCY	STRAINS	ADDITIONAL INGREDIENTS	ENTERIC COATING	INDICATIONS	RECOMMENDED DAILY DOSE
Femina Flora Oral (16 strains)	55 billion CFU	L. rhamnosus (2 strains), L. acidophilus (2 strains), L. casei (2 strains), B. bifidum, B. breve, B. longum, L. crispatus, L. gasseri, L. plantarum, L. helveticus, L. paracasei, L. johnsonii, L. reuteri	Inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	GPSTM	 Prevention of vaginal candidiasis and bacterial vaginal infections 	1-2 capsules daily
Pro-Recovery (20 strains)	120 billion CFU	L rhamnosus (2 strains), L. casei, B. bifidum, B. breve, B. infantis, B. longum, L. acidophilus (2 strains), B. lactis, L. crispatus, L. gasseri, L. fermentum, L. plantarum, L. brevis, L. paracasei, L. reuteri, L. helveticus, L. johnsonii	Inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	GPSTM	 Prolonged and multiple antibiotic treatments (intestinal dysbiosis) Immune support after illness 	1 capsule daily
Pro- Urgency (10 strains)	50 billion FU	B. longum, L. casei, L. rhamnosus, L. acidophilus, B. bifidum, B. breve, B. infantis, L. plantarum, L. helveticus, L. paracasei	Inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	GPSTM	 Acute infectious diarrhoea Cardiovascular diseases Depression and stress Lactose intolerance Antibiotic-associated diarrhoea 	2 capsules daily
Human Biota (12 strains)	42 billion CFU	L rhamnosus (2 strains), L. casei, L. acidophilus (2 strains), B. infantis, B. lactis, B. bifidum, B. breve, B. longum, L. crispatus, L gasseri	Inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	GPSTM	 Mucosal barrier integrity and function Repopulation of the entire intestinal tract Immune system regulation Long-term general well-being 	1 capsule daily
Pro-Boulardii Plus (12 strains)	21 billion CFU	S. boulardii, L. rhanmosus (2 strains), L. acidophilus, L. helveticus, L. casei, L. plantarum, B. breve, B. infantis, B. longum, S. thermophilus, L. bulgaricus	Inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	СgHd	 Treatment and prevention of infectious gastroenteritis Traveler's diarrhoea Antibiotic-associated diarrhoea Intestinal candidiasis 	 1-2 cápsulas al día <u>IFaveler's diarrhoea</u>: 1 caps. twice daily as of 5 days before and during the entire trip. <u>Gastroenteritis</u>: 2 capsules 2-3 times daily.
Pro- Intensity (18 strains)	20 billion CFU	L. rhamnosus, L. crispatus, L. casei, B. lactis, L. gasseri, B. bifdum, B. breve, B. infantis, B. longum, L. acidophilus, L. salivarius, L. plantarum, L. johnsonii, L. helveticus, L. paracasei, L. lactis	Colostrum, inulin, arabinogalactan, xylooligosaccharides and vitamin C	GPSTM	 Intestinal inflammatory disease Ulcerative colitis Crohn's disease Hypercholesterolemia Diabetes mellitus Digestive support Radiotherapy and chemotherapy-associated diarrhoea 	1-2 capsules daily
Acidophilus Ultra (11 strains)	11 billion CFU	L. acidophilus, L. helveticus, L. plantarum, L. casei, B. longum, B. infantis, B. breve, L. rhanmosus (2 strains), L. bulgaricus, S. thermophilus	Inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	PH ₅ D	 Maintenance of healthy intestinal flora Regulation of the immune system Pregnancy and breastfeeding Irritable bowel syndrome Peptic ulcer 	1-2 capsules daily
IBS- Urgency (5 strains)	12 billion CFU	B. infantis, B. longum, L. plantarum, L. acidophilus, L. rhamnosus	Colostrum, inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	D2H2D	Irritable bowel syndrome	2 capsules daily
Children's Pro (12 strains)	10 billion CFU	L. thamnosus (2 strains), L. casei, B. infantis, B. breve, B. longum, L. acidophilus, L. plantarum, L. reuteri, L. helveticus, L. paracasei, L. johnsonii.	Inulin, arabinogalactan and vitamin C	No	 Antibiotic-associated diarrhoea Lactose intolerance Eczema, asthma, allergies 	2 scoops daily

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Lactobacillus reuteri UB2419 D	500 million CFU	700 million CFU							351 million CFU
Lactobacillus rhamnosus GG	300 million CFU	200 million CFU		37,8 million CFU					1 billion CFU
Lactobacillus rhamnosus R0011 D					4,5 billion CFU		4,4 billion CFU	1,333 billion CFU	
Lactobacillus rhamnosus R1039 D					3,375 billion CFU		3,3 billion CFU		
Lactobacillus rhamnosus UB5115	19 billion CFU	30 billion CFU	9 billion CFU	31,5 billion CFU		7,427 billion CFU			6,629 billion CFU
Lactobacillus salivarius UB4198						1,427 billion CFU			
Lactobaillus lactis LL-23 D						13 million CFU			
Saccharomyces boulardii					10 billion CFU				
S. salivarius ssp thermophilus R0083					225 million CFU		220 million CFU		

Guide to probiotic strains

Bifidobacterium animalis ssp. lactis

Helps reduce constipation and bloating in children and adolescents with irritable bowel syndrome ⁽¹⁾. Boosts the immune system by increasing levels of NK (natural killer) cells and polymorphonuclear leukocytes ⁽²⁾. Helps repair the permeability of the intestinal barrier by improving apical junction proteins and goblet cell population ⁽³⁾. It reduces abdominal visceral fat in overweight people with metabolic disorders, having beneficial effects on weight control and metabolic health^(4,5). In animals, it also improves glucose intolerance ⁽⁶⁾.

Bifidobacterium bifidum

These are found in the mucosal lining of the last part of the small intestine and are the predominant strains to colonize the large intestine in order to support intestinal health, cleanliness and function. They reduce serum cholesterol and dissolve bile salts^(7,8). *B. bifidum* has also been shown to possess antibacterial activity against *Helicobacter pylori*^(9,10), reduce apoptosis in the intestinal epithelium in children with necrotizing enterocolitis ⁽¹¹⁾, modulate immune response ⁽¹²⁻¹⁴⁾, reduce the duration and severity of colds⁽¹³⁾, possess antiinflammatory activity in chronic dysfunction of the large intestine such as irritable bowel ^(15,16), and reduce the incidence of radiotherapy-associated diarrhoea in patients with cervical cancer ⁽¹⁷⁾.

Together with other probiotics, its prenatal supplementation is effective at preventing the development of eczema in babies with a high risk of allergy during the first year of life $^{(18)}$. Together with other probiotics, it prevents diarrhoea induced by chemotherapy (innotecan) in colorectal cancer $^{(19)}$. It reduces the symptoms of stress-associated diarrhoea as well as stress itself $^{(20)}$. It decreases the duration and severity of upper respiratory tract infections such as colds and the flu $^{(21)}$.

Bifidobacterium breve

It maintains colon homeostasis, reducing inflammation through the induction of Tr1 cells which produce intestinal IL-10 ⁽²²⁾. It protects colon function, relieves constipation and reduces gas, abdominal distension and diarrhoea ^(22,23). It improves the symptoms of ulcerative colitis ⁽²⁴⁾. Additionally, it stimulates the immune system ^(22,25), inhibits *Escherichia coli* ⁽²⁶⁾ and suppresses the yeast *Candida* ⁽²⁷⁾.

It reduces fat, improves hepatic function and reduces systemic inflammation in people who are prone to obesity ⁽²⁸⁾. It improves gastrointestinal problems in newborns, stabilizing intestinal flora ⁽²⁹⁾ and reducing the incidence of necrotizing enterocolitis ⁽³⁰⁾. In children with Celiac disease it reduces pro-inflammatory cytokine TNF-alfa ⁽³¹⁾.

In patients undergoing chemotherapy it improves adverse effects such as fever, infections and intestinal disorders ⁽³²⁾.

• Bifidobacterium breve Roo70

It possesses high inhibitory activity against *Clostridium difficile* invitro $^{(33)}$. It also possesses antiinflammatory activity and, synergically with other probiotics, antiproliferative activity on adenocarcinoma cells of the colon (HT-29); this effect increases with prebiotics (glucooligosaccharides) $^{(34)}$.

Bifidobacterium lactis

It has an immunoregulatory effect, mitigating allergic rhinitis (35), strengthens the immune system ⁽³⁶⁻³⁸⁾, can help prevent eczema in children ⁽³⁹⁾, improves symptoms of Irritable Bowel Syndrome ⁽⁴⁰⁾, can help dental health ⁽⁴¹⁾, intestinal transit ⁽⁴²⁾ and in children helps balance intestinal flora ⁽⁴³⁾, strengthens the immune response in newborns ⁽⁴⁴⁾ and reduces symptoms of acute diarrhoea ⁽⁴⁵⁾.

It can also help regulate lipids and inflammation in patients with metabolic syndrome and obesity $^{\scriptscriptstyle (46,47)}\!.$

Bifidobacterium longum ssp. infantis

It's the dominant probiotic that inhabits the distal end of the small intestine and colon. It's one of the first to colonize the intestinal tract of infants ⁽⁴⁸⁾ and is critical for intestinal health and proper immune function in adults ⁽⁴⁹⁾. It survives stomach and bile acids ⁽⁵⁰⁾, and is generally capable of adhering to intestinal tissue ⁽⁵¹⁾. It pro-

duces acetic acid and inhibits pathogenic bacteria (52).

It produces bacteriokines with activity against *Salmonella*, *Shige-lla* and *Escherichia coli* ^(53,54). It relieves many symptoms of Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) such as pain and bloating, and regulates intestinal transit and the IL-10/IL-12 ratio ⁽⁵⁵⁻⁵⁷⁾. It reduces systemic pro-inflammatory biomarkers in chronic diseases such as ulcerative colitis, chronic fatigue syndrome and psoriasis, indicating that the immune modulating effects of the microbiota are not limited to the mucosa, rather they are extended to the systemic immune system ⁽⁵⁸⁾.

Together with *L. acidophilus* it can be an effective treatment for acute infant diarrhoea, in 2 days it significantly reduces the duration of diarrhoea⁽⁵⁹⁾ as well as the incidence and severity of necrotizing enterocolitis⁽⁶⁰⁾. It can relieve the symptoms of untreated Celiac disease⁽⁶¹⁾.

Bifidobacterium infantis Roo33

Together with other probiotics it can reduce the risk of common infections in children such as colds, the flu and gastrointestinal infections ⁽⁶²⁾. The use of *B. infantis* Roo33 is safe and well tolerated in healthy infants between 3 and 12 months of age ⁽⁶³⁾.

Bifidobacterium longum ssp. longum

A protein factor produced by *B. longum* inhibits adhesion of the enterotoxigenic strain of *Escherichia coli* ⁽⁶⁴⁾. It has antiinflammatory properties and is indicated for gastrointestinal discomfort like ulcerative colitis ⁽⁶⁵⁾, antibiotic-associated diarrhoea ^(66,67), Irritable Bowel Syndrome ⁽⁶⁸⁾ and seasonal allergies ^(69,70). It aids in the formation of lactic and formic acid, decreasing intestinal pH, preventing the proliferation of harmful bacteria ⁽⁷¹⁾. It is also an important producer of the B group vitamins ⁽⁷²⁾.

Bifidobacterium longum ssp. longum Ro175

The combination of *B. longum* Ro175 and *L. helveticus* Ro052 interferes with the development of depressive behaviour after myocardial infarction, and restores the integrity of the intestinal barrier in rats ⁽⁷³⁾; it also has an anxiolytic effect on rats, and beneficial psychological effects on healthy volunteers ^(74,75).

Lactobacillus acidophilus

It improves overall symptoms in patients with Irritable Bowel Syndrome (76). It helps maintain an acidic environment in the intestinal tract, preventing the growth of harmful bacteria, and it improves Antibiotic-Associated Diarrhoea (77). It reduces total plasma cholesterol and low density lipoprotein (LDL) (78,79). It helps improve digestive health by maintaining the intestinal barrier, restoring intestinal flora, improving digestion, reinforcing the immune system and helping beneficial bacteria to proliferate in the colon (80). It helps improve the symptoms of allergic rhinitis (81), pollen allergy ⁽⁸²⁾ and atopic dermatitis ⁽⁸³⁾. It is effective (vaginally administered) in cases of bacterial vaginosis, and preventive oral administration is of help in cases of recurrence (84-87). Together with other probiotics, its pre- and post-natal supplementation is effective at preventing the development of eczema in babies with a high risk of allergy in the first year of life (88). Together with B. bifidum it reduces the incidence of radiotherapy-associated diarrhoea in patients with cervical cancer⁽⁸⁹⁾.

The administration of *L. acidophillus* is able to reduce colonization and infection in vaginal candidiasis ^(90,91).

Lactobacillus acidophilus LA-14

It is well known for its effects on the vagina, which helps maintain proper vaginal health. The joint use of two Lactobacillus strains was investigated: *Lactobacillus*: *L. acidophilus* LA-14 and *L. rhamnosus* HNoo1. After one week of oral consumption they colonise the vagina and are detected in the vaginal flora, which helps to improve the balance of bacteria present and promotes vaginal health ⁽⁹²⁾. They also have microbicidal activity against various pathogens responsible for bacterial vaginosis and aerobic vaginitis ⁽⁹³⁾. Preliminary studies also indicate that it may promote kidney health ⁽⁹⁴⁾.

Lactobacillus brevis

It is a probiotic that resists gastric juices well, stimulates the immune system ⁽⁹⁵⁾ and improves intestinal health ⁽⁹⁶⁾. It also reduces intestinal inflammation ⁽⁹⁷⁾, may reduce the incidence of influenza in children ⁽⁹⁸⁾ and has antimicrobial activity ⁽⁹⁹⁾. It is one of the predominant bacteria in the vaginal flora ⁽¹⁰⁰⁾ and among others is responsible for the prevention of genitourinary diseases. Its efficacy in defence against pathogens is due to its ability to produce bactericidal compounds such as hydrogen peroxide and to inhibit the adhesion of pathogens ⁽¹⁰¹⁾.

Lactobacillus casei

It reduces the duration and incidence of infections such as bronchitis, pneumonia and rhino-pharyngitis ⁽¹⁰²⁻¹⁰⁴⁾. In intestinal infections it improves immunity against bacterial infections such as *Escherichia coli* and viral infections such as the flu ⁽¹⁰⁵⁻¹⁰⁸⁾. In children it improves the symptoms of allergic rhinitis ⁽¹⁰⁹⁾, and together with antibiotic therapy it improves the eradication of *Helicobacter pylori* ⁽¹¹⁰⁾, it's effective in cases of viral diarrhoea ⁽¹¹¹⁾ and improves the general incidence of infection ⁽¹¹²⁾.

• Lactobacillus casei LC-11

Together with other probiotics, it reduces abdominal adiposity and increases enzymatic antioxidant activity ⁽¹¹³⁾, and in patients with rheumatoid arthritis it reduces inflammatory biomarkers ⁽¹¹⁴⁾.

• Lactobacillus casei Ro215

It has shown an immune-modulating effect in the prevention of peanut allergy in an animal model $^{\scriptscriptstyle (115)}$.

Lactobacillus crispatus

In women's vaginal flora, lactobacilli are the prevalent probiotics, of which *Lactobacillus crispatus* is the most abundant ⁽¹¹⁶⁾. It helps prevent recurrent urinary tract infections as well as bacterial vaginosis ^(117,118).

Lactobacillus delbrueckii ssp. bulgaricus

It improves immunity and cold and flu symptoms $^{(119,120)}$, is capable of hydrolyzing lactose (lactose intolerance) $^{(122)}$, reduces cholesterol $^{(122,123)}$, decreases intestinal inflammation $^{(124)}$ and helps control intestinal infections (diarrhoea, AAD and infection by *Clostridium difficile*) $^{(125,126)}$.

Lactobacillus fermentum

Combined oral use of *L. rhamnosus* and *L. fermentum* may reduce colonisation of the vaginal mucosa by pathogenic bacteria or fungi ⁽¹²⁷⁻¹²⁹⁾. It is helpful in infectious mastitis during lactation, as well as its prevention ^(130, 131). It may be helpful in the treatment of cholesterol reduction ⁽¹³²⁾, blood lipoproteins, oxidative stress and inflammatory profile ⁽¹³³⁾.

Lactobacillus gasseri

It improves functional dyspepsia by improving gastric microbiota and helping to suppress *Helicobacter pylori* in the stomach ⁽¹³⁴⁾. It is also a predominant species in the vaginal flora, inhibits the adherence of pathogenic bacteria and helps prevent and treat bacterial vaginosis ⁽¹³⁵⁾. It has antimicrobial activity through the production of bacteriocins ^(136,137), improves symptoms such as diarrhoea in Irritable Bowel Syndrome ^(138,139), helps boost the immune system ⁽¹⁴⁰⁾ and may help regulate allergic response ⁽¹⁴¹⁾. In recent years, its effect on weight control has been studied. It has reducing effects on abdominal adiposity, body weight and other measures of obesity, helping to regulate blood lipids (triglycerides, cholesterol), suggesting its beneficial influence on metabolic disorders ⁽¹⁴²⁻¹⁴⁴⁾.

Lactobacillus helveticus

It protects the gastrointestinal tract, strengthening the humoral and intestinal mucosal systemic immune response in elite athletes ^(14,5). It has been shown in animals that it has an anti-depressive effect, probably due to the connection with the-gut-brain axis ^(14,6). Milk fermented with *L. helveticus* improves cognitive function ^(14,7) and reduces arterial blood pressure ^(14,8). In animals it increases bone density and bone mineral content ^(14,9), in post-menopausal women it has a positive effect on calcium metabolism ⁽¹⁵⁰⁾. It controls undesired intestinal microorganisms and bacteria (*Salmonella enteritidis, Camplylobacter jejuni, Escherichia coli, Candida albicans*, etc.), it regulates immune response and reduces lactose intolerance $^{\scriptscriptstyle (154)}$.

Lactobacillus helveticus Roo52

The combination of *L. helveticus* Roo52 and *B. longum* Ro175 interferes with the development of depressive behaviour after myocardial infarction and restores the integrity of the intestinal barrier in rats ⁽¹⁵²⁾; it also has anxiolytic effects on rats and beneficial psychological effects on healthy volunteers ^(153,154). The combination of *L. helveticus* Roo52 and *L. rhamnosus* Roo11 directly influences pathogen-host interaction and immune response, mainly by decreasing the pro-inflammatory response, and it also helps maintain the intestinal protective barrier. Diverse studies have shown that it can relieve the symptoms of antibiotic-associated diarrhoea, candidiasis, irritable bowel syndrome and lactose intolerance. As co-therapy for atopic dermatitis, it has been shown to have positive effects on immune response and dairy tolerance ⁽¹⁵⁵⁾.

Lactobacillus johnsonii

It has several benefits such as in *Helicobacter pylori* gastritis ⁽¹⁵⁶⁾, regulates immune response ⁽¹⁵⁷⁾, may help in the control of diabetes ⁽¹⁵⁸⁾, is helpful in vaginal infections ⁽¹⁵⁹⁾ and improves allergic rhinitis in children ⁽¹⁶⁰⁾.

Lactobacillus paracasei

It significantly increases specific immune response in healthy people who have received the flu vaccine ⁽¹⁶¹⁾. It improves digestive function ⁽¹⁶²⁾, and symptoms (especially ocular) in patients with allergic rhinitis treated with oral antihistamines ⁽¹⁶³⁾. It is also useful for combating infection by *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Escherichia coli* and *Salmonella* ⁽¹⁶⁴⁻¹⁶⁶⁾. It relieves the symptoms as well as the frequency and duration of acute infant diarrhoea ⁽¹⁶⁷⁾. In patients with chronic fatigue syndrome, when combined with other probiotics, it improves neurocognitive function ⁽¹⁶⁸⁾.

Lactobacillus plantarum

It acts upon undesired bacteria, improving the symptoms of Irritable Bowel Syndrome such as excessive gas, bloating and abdominal discomfort (169-173), as well as ulcerative colitis (174,175). It regulates immune response and is beneficial in the treatment of atopic dermatitis in children (176). It has an immune-stimulating effect in the elderly, reducing the number of infections (177). It improves gastrointestinal symptoms during antibiotic treatment (178). It reduces the risk factors for cardiovascular disease and could be useful as a protective agent in the primary prevention of atherosclerosis in smokers (179). In adults with hypercholesterolemia, it reduces cholesterol and high arterial blood pressure, therefore reducing the risk of cardiovascular diseases (180). It improves the symptoms of lactose intolerance such as diarrhoea and flatulence when combined with another probiotic (181). Together with other Lactobaci*llus* species it is capable of restoring the vaginal flora by improving dl pH and the diagnosis of bacterial vaginosis when administered orally (182).

• Lactobacillus plantarum R1012

It exercices antiinflammatory activity on adenocarcinoma cells of the colon (Ht-29) $^{\rm (183)}$.

Lactobacillus reuteri

It prevents necrotizing enterocolitis in newborns ⁽¹⁸⁴⁾, improves the symptoms of baby colic ^(185,186), increases digestive health in children, is effective for acute infant diarrhoea ⁽¹⁸⁷⁾ and antibiotic-associated diarrhoea ⁽¹⁸⁸⁾, it's capable of reducing the adverse effects of treatment for *Helicobacter pylori* in children ⁽¹⁸⁹⁾ and is effective for infant constipation ⁽¹⁹⁰⁾.

In adults it decreases the side effects of antibiotic-associated diarrhoea ⁽¹⁹¹⁾, reduces cholesterol due to its action on intestinal absorption ⁽¹⁹²⁾, improves intestinal transit in adults with constipation ⁽¹⁹³⁾ and is effective for inflammatory diseases such as gingivitis ⁽¹⁹⁴⁾ and periodontitis ⁽¹⁹⁵⁾. It decreases the activity of pathogenic bacteria such as *Helicobacter pylori* without altering the balance of the microflora ^(196,197).

L. reuteri together with *L. rhamnosus* can restore the vaginal mucosa by oral administration ⁽¹⁹⁸⁾ and together with antibiotic therapy (metronidazole) improves outcomes in bacterial vaginosis ⁽¹⁹⁹⁾.

Lactobacillus rhamnosus

It colonizes within the intestinal membranes, exercising numerous benefits for health: it increases lactic acid production, actively suppressing the growth of harmful bacteria such as Salmonella (200); and it's effective at preventing antibiotic-associated diarrhoea (201) and diarrhoea from Clostridium difficile (202). It strengthens the immune system and is a good coadjuvant therapy for the flu vaccine ⁽²⁰³⁾; it improves the function of the intestinal barrier which relieves the symptoms of autoimmune diseases such as arthritis $^{\scriptscriptstyle (204)}$ and allergies (205). It improves the blood lipid profile (206) and reduces cholesterol ${}^{\scriptscriptstyle (207)}$. It can prevent or improve the symptoms of post-partum depression and anxiety (208); regenerate vaginal flora in women, reducing colonization by bacteria and yeast via oral administration ⁽²⁰⁹⁾ and reduce the prevalence of gestational diabetes mellitus (210). In children it reduces the frequency and duration of diarrhoea and vomiting (211), diarrhoea caused by rotavirus (212) and antibiotic-associated diarrhoea (213). It reduces the incidence of atopic dermatitis (214, 215). Ingesting milk supplemented with L. rhamnosus reduces the risk of caries in children (216).

Administered vaginally together with other probiotics, it's effective for bacterial vaginosis ⁽²¹⁷⁾ and vaginal candidiasis ^(218,219). The oral administration of *L. rhamnosus* and *L. fermentum* can reduce the colonization of the vaginal flora by pathogenic bacteria and yeast ⁽²²⁰⁻²²²⁾. *L. rhamnosus* together with *L. reuteri* can restore the vaginal mucosa by oral administration ⁽¹⁸²⁾ and together with antibiotic therapy (metronidazole) improves outcomes in bacterial vagino-

sis ⁽¹⁸3,223).

Lactobacillus rhamnosus GG

It is one of the most studied probiotic strains in the world. Its benefit has been described in infantile diarrhoea ⁽²²⁴⁾, respiratory infections ⁽²²⁵⁾, antibiotic-associated diarrhoea ⁽²²⁶⁾, infectious diarrhoea associated with *Clostridium difficile* ⁽²²⁷⁾, inflammatory bowel diseases such as Irritable Bowel Syndrome ⁽²²⁸⁾, improves gastrointestinal function after pancreatic surgery ⁽²²⁹⁾.

Lactobacillus rhamnosus R1039

It maintains the intestinal ecosystem and reduces the incidence of intestinal disorders such as antibiotic-associated diarrhoea (230).

Lactobacillus salivarius

It stops the growth and activity of harmful pathogenic bacteria, including *Helicobacter pylori* ^(231,232) and *Salmonella* ⁽²³³⁾. It helps break down undigested protein and deactivate toxins produced by intestinal putrefaction ⁽²³⁴⁾. It improves the lipid profile (cholesterol) and reduces inflammation, tumour necrosis factor and the total count of *Escherichia coli* ⁽²³⁵⁾. Together with prebiotics (fructooligosaccharides) it's effective at reducing the symptoms of atopic dermatitis in children ⁽²³⁶⁾ and adults ⁽²³⁷⁾.

Lactococcus lactis

It produces bacteriocins such as lacticins, nisins and lactococcins ⁽²³⁹⁾. Nisin is the best studied compound in the latter group. Nisin

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Lactococcus lactis LL-23

Together with other probiotics, it reduces inflammatory markers in people with rheumatoid arthritis⁽²⁴⁶⁾. Together with other probiotics and diet it helps to significantly reduce abdominal fat and increases activity of antioxidant enzymes ⁽²⁴⁷⁾.

Saccharomyces boulardii

Non-pathogenic yeast that has beneficial effects in the human intestine, for example in Crohn's disease ⁽²⁴⁸⁾. *S. boulardii* stimulates enzymatic activity, synthesizes a serine protease that breaks down toxins and their respective receptors in the mucosa of the colon, and increases immune response in the intestinal mucosa, protecting the body against diarrhoea-causing pathogens such as *Escherichia coli* (increasing the level of IgA) ^(249,250).

Studies have confirmed its use for chronic treatments such as that of Crohn's disease, irritable bowel, HIV-related diarrhoea and for the prevention of recurring disease from *Clostridium difficile* ⁽²⁵¹⁾. This yeast has a marked effect on reducing diarrhoea, even when administered with ß-lactam antibiotics, whether administered alone or with other antibiotics, preventing Antibiotic-Associated Diarrhoea safely and effectively ⁽²⁵²⁾. It is of great help in safely and effectively preventing acute traveler's diarrhoea^(253,254). Its efficacy against intestinal candidiasis has been proven ^(255,256).

Streptococcus salivarius ssp. thermophilus

It is known for its sensitivity to conditions of gastric acidity and for surviving the gastrointestinal tract and adhering to intestinal epithelial cells ⁽²⁵⁷⁾. It improves lactose digestion in intolerant people ^(258,259), produces antioxidants, stimulates the intestinal immune system and relieves the risk of ulcer and inflammation ^(260,261). It reduces cholesterol and arterial blood pressure ⁽²⁶²⁾.

In children, it has been shown that together with other probiotics, it has an effect on diarrhoea, enterocolitis in premature newborns, intestinal inflammatory disease and acute diarrhoea from rotavirus (263-265).

Administered vaginally together with other probiotics, it's effective for bacterial vaginosis (266) and vaginal candidiasis (267).

Streptococcus salivarius ssp. thermophilus Roo83

It possesses high inhibitory activity against *Escherichia coli* "invitro" ⁽²⁶⁸⁾. It also possesses antiinflammatory activity ⁽²⁶⁹⁾.

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