



# **Infant Bacterial Therapeutics**

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# IBT Overview

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- 1 Necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC) and poor gut function are major causes of death among premature infants
- 2 IBP-9414 is a unique GI bacteria altering the microbiome with market blockbuster potential (>\$1B)
- 3 Safety and Proof of concept are established - published clinical studies
- 4 Final formulation set, four years stability on file, scalable production in place for launch
- 5 Clinical program to be completed in 2022, Marketing Application to follow



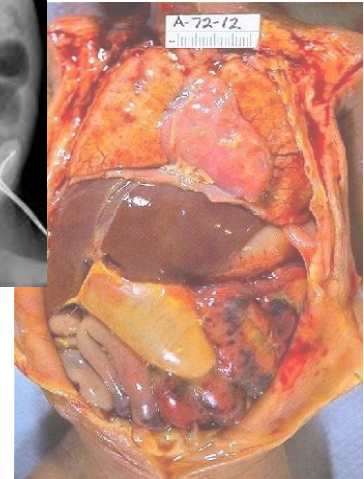
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# Necrotizing enterocolitis (NEC)

- ❑ NEC is severe inflammation of the bowel in the preterm infant where 20-40% of those diagnosed need complicated and costly surgery
- ❑ Survivors have long-term consequences such as short-bowel syndrome, abnormal growth, cognitive, visual and hearing impairments
- ❑ There is no therapy available today
- ❑ **NEC is one of the leading causes of death in the Neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) with up to 40% morbidity rate killing 1500 US and 3700 EU infants each year**



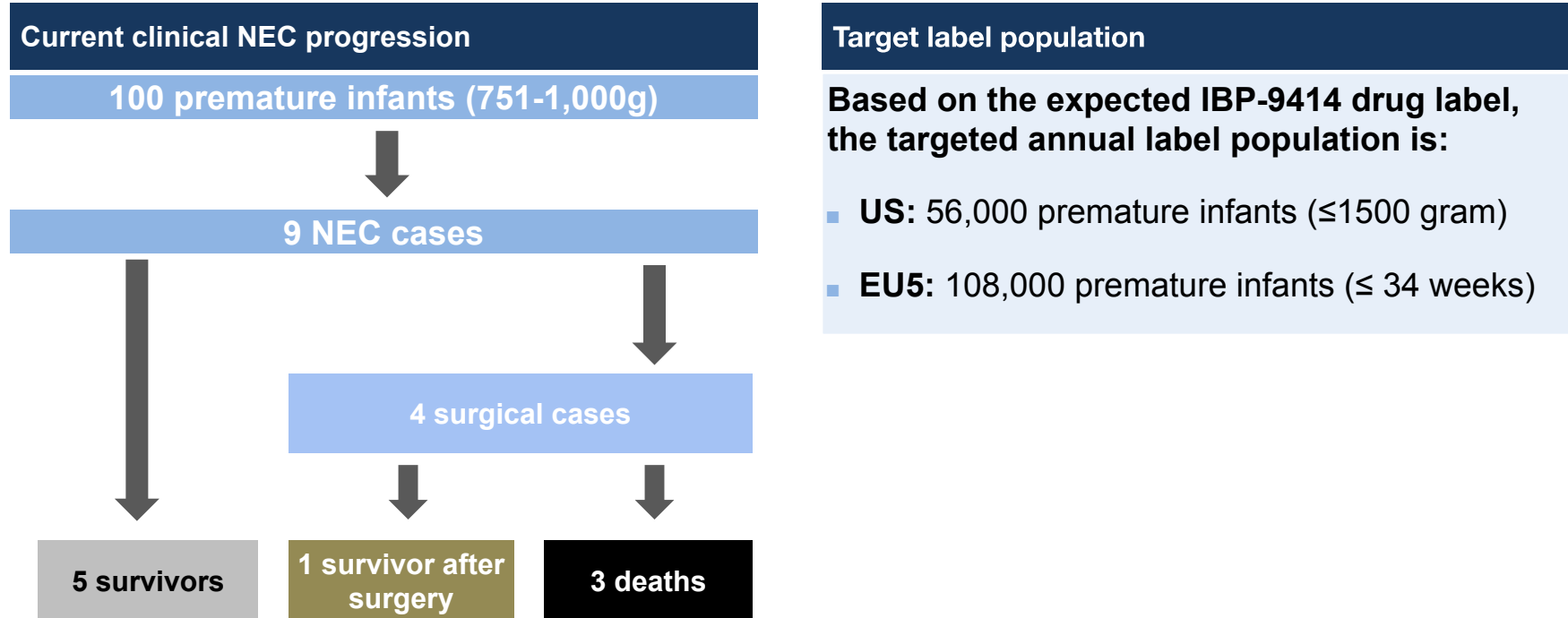
# Who gets NEC?

High incidence and mortality	Infants birth weight	NEC incidence rate (%)	NEC mortality rate (%)	Mortality (% of weight cohort)
	501-750g	12.0%	42.0%	5.0%
	751-1,000g	9.2%	29.4%	2.7%
	1,001-1250g	5.7%	21.3%	1.2%
	1,251-1,500g	3.3%	15.9%	0.5%
	1,501-2,500g	0.4%	8.2-17%	0.03-0.06%
	>2,500g	0.1%	0-20%	0-0.02%

The smaller the premature infant is at birth, the more likely he/she will get NEC and die.

# Target population

A preventive therapy for all preterm infants at risk of NEC



Approximately 162,000 premature infants at risk of NEC are born each year in US and EU5



# Short and long term burden of NEC

## NEC exposes the infant to severe consequences

### NEC short term consequences

- Highly complicated and intensive medical management
- Risk of emergency surgery
- Extended hospitalization
- Increased risk of comorbidities
- High mortality



### NEC long term consequences

- Number one cause of short-bowel syndrome
- Prolonged parenteral nutrition with increased risk cholestasis
- Abnormal growth
- Adverse neurodevelopmental outcomes, including cerebral palsy, cognitive impairment, visual impairment, and hearing impairment

# Neurodevelopmental outcomes and NEC

- **Neurodevelopmental Impairment**

40% of NEC infants

vs.

29% of infants without NEC

***1.6-fold increased risk of NDI***

- **Cerebral Palsy outcome**

17% of NEC infants

vs.

7% of infants without NEC

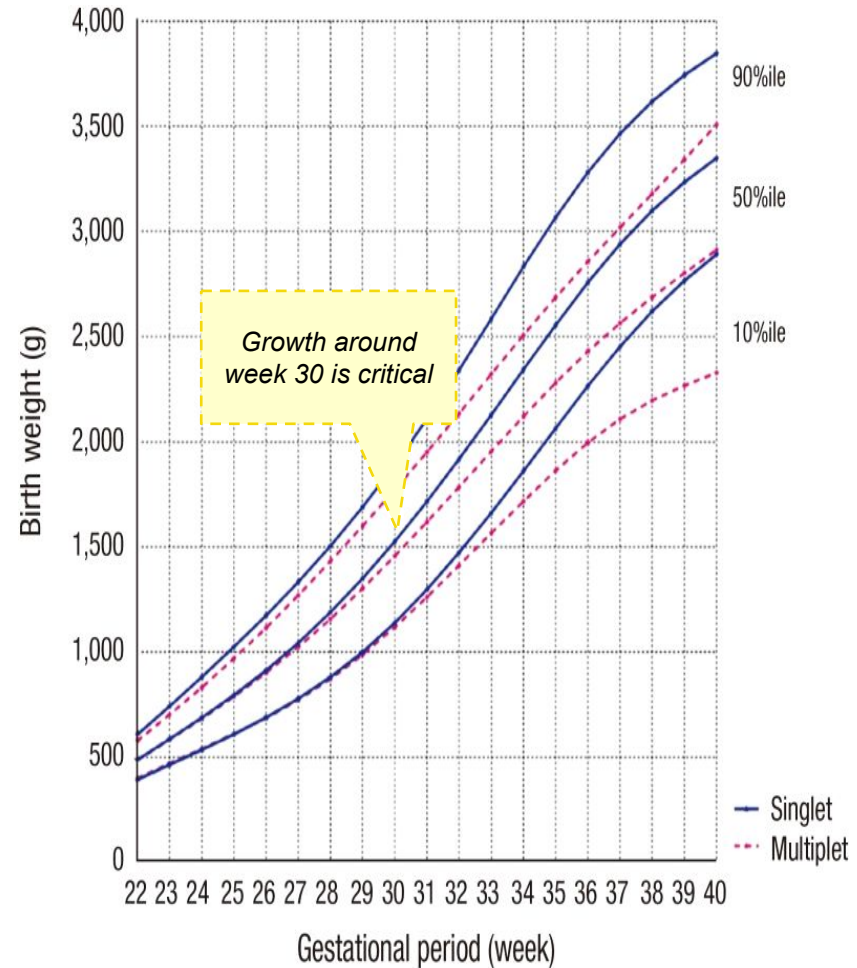
***1.8-fold increased risk of CP***



# Feeding the preterm infant

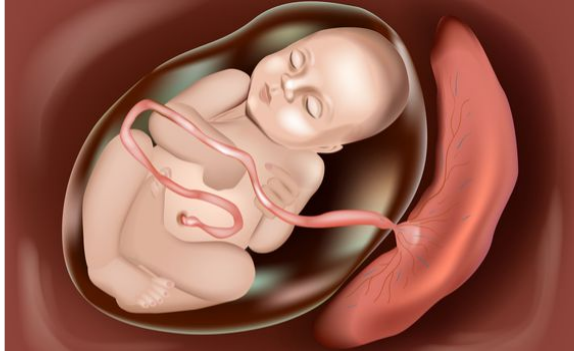


Weight gain as a 30 weeker corresponds to 27 kg/week weight gain for me



# Importance of feeding

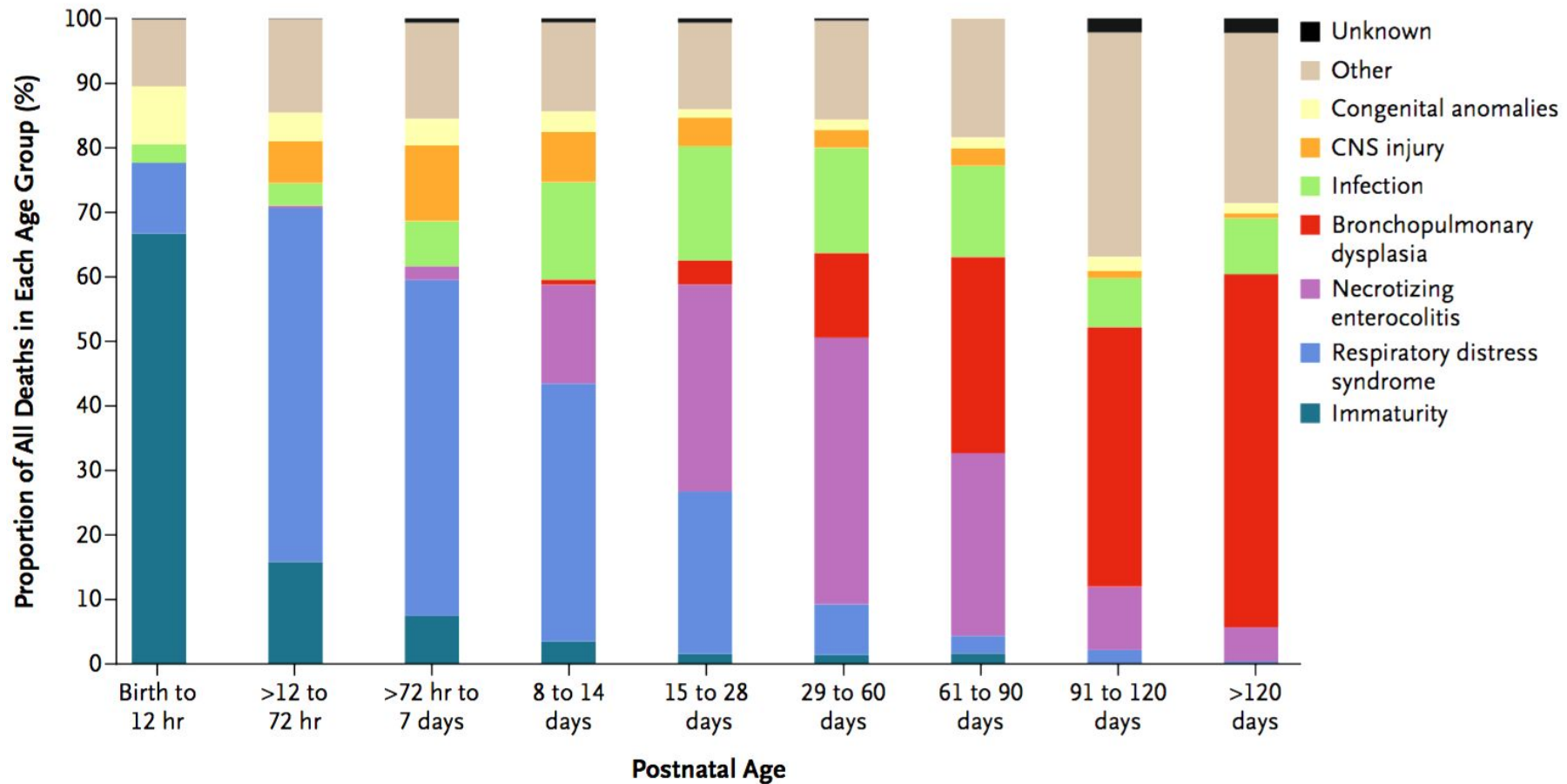
- ❑ Born too soon means that placental food supply is terminated



- ❑ The preterm infant needs food to continue to grow and develop
- ❑ Improved growth velocity improves neurodevelopmental outcomes
- ❑ Prolonged parenteral increased risk of e.g. BPD, infections and sepsis



# Causes of death



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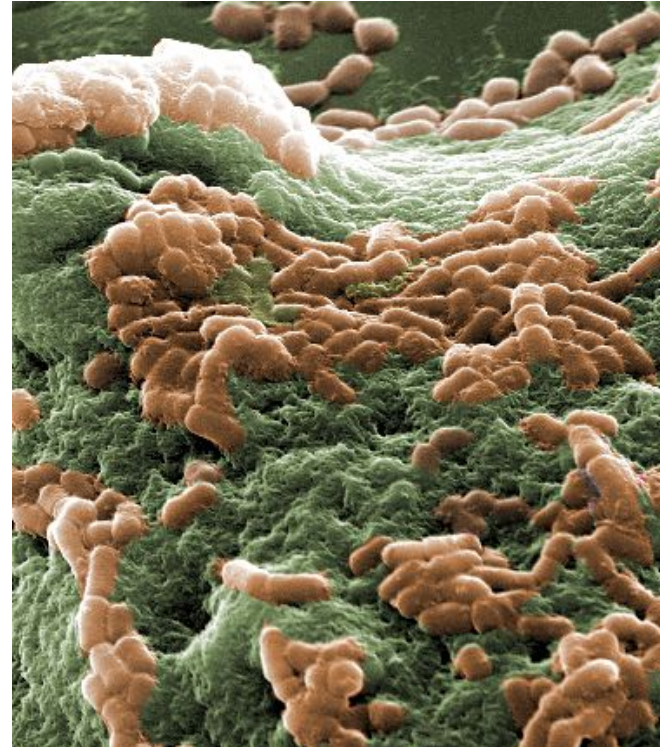


# *Lactobacillus reuteri*

Active substance of IBP-9414



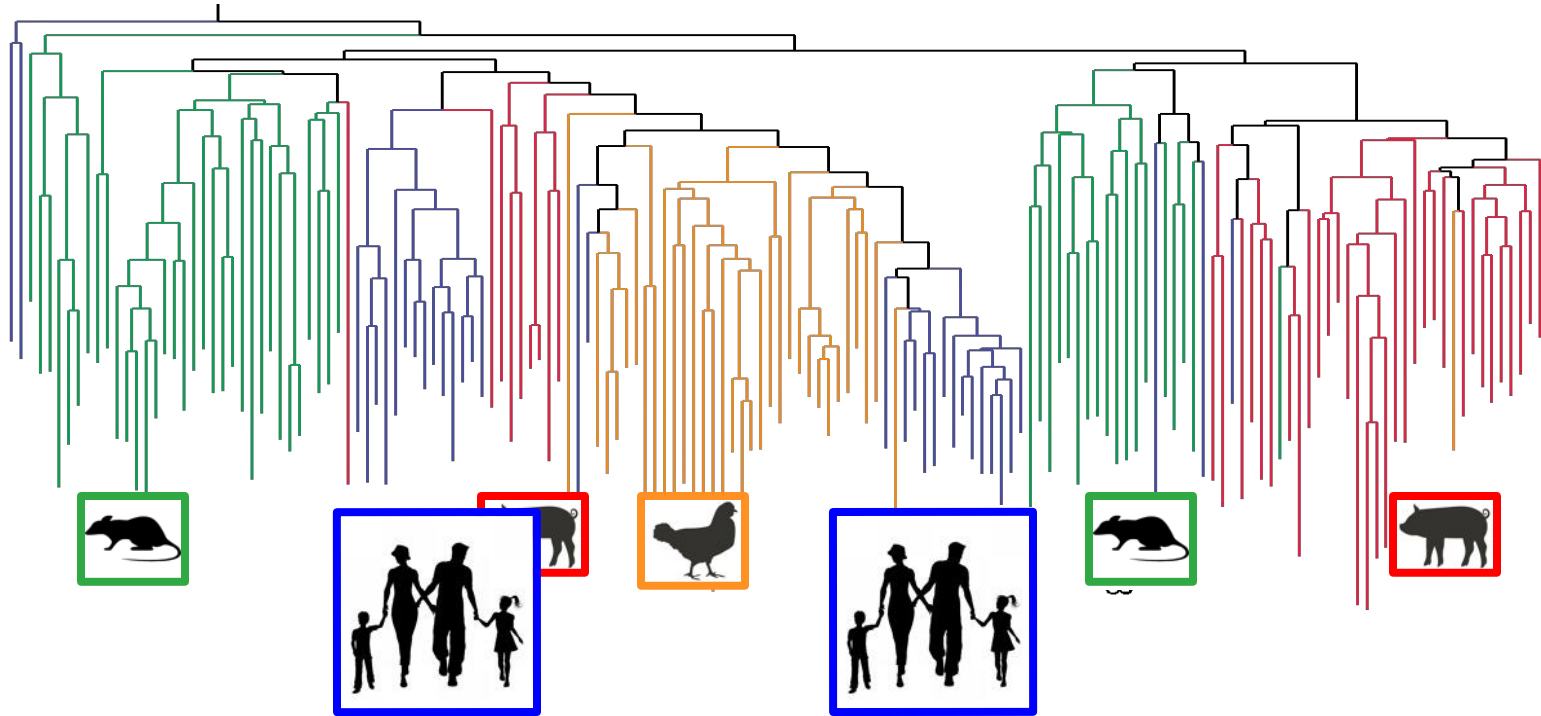
*Lactobacillus reuteri* present  
on women's breasts



*Lactobacillus reuteri* (orange)  
adhering to intestinal mucus

# Evolutionary adaptation of *L. reuteri* to the human gut

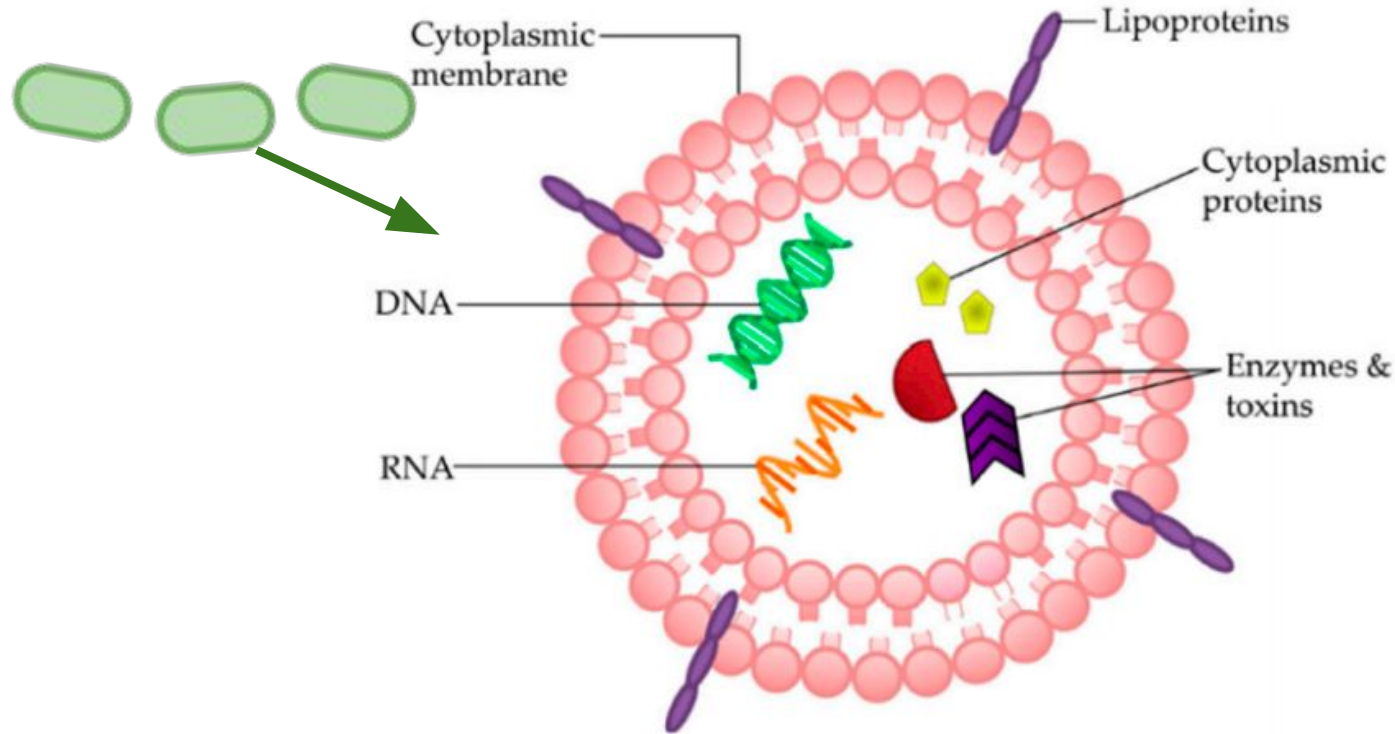
## Genetic relatedness of global *L. reuteri* genomes



*L. reuteri* shares a long evolutionary history in the human gut and in human breast milk

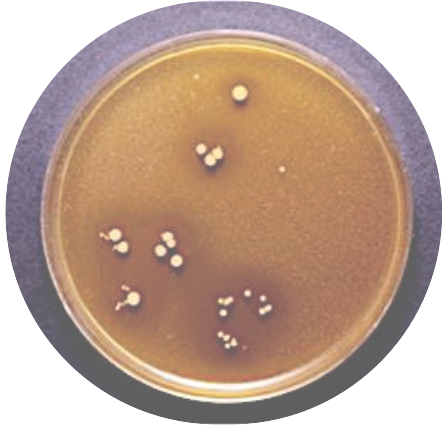
*L. reuteri* is a true human gut symbiont with mutual benefit to both human host and bacterium

# Microvesicles from *L. reuteri*



Bacterial membrane vesicles produced by *L. reuteri*

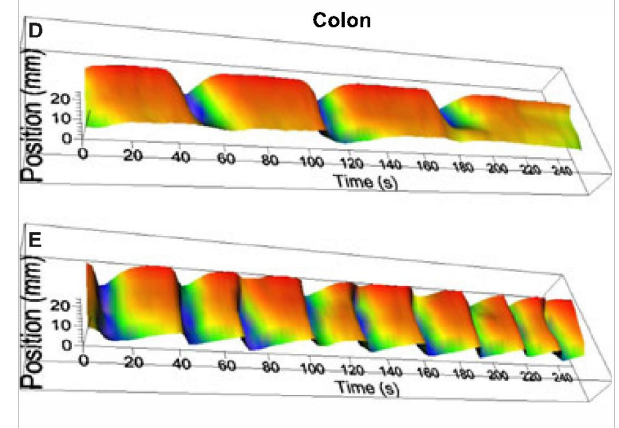
# *L. reuteri* - mechanisms of action



Combats dysbiosis



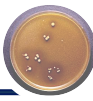
Reduces inflammation



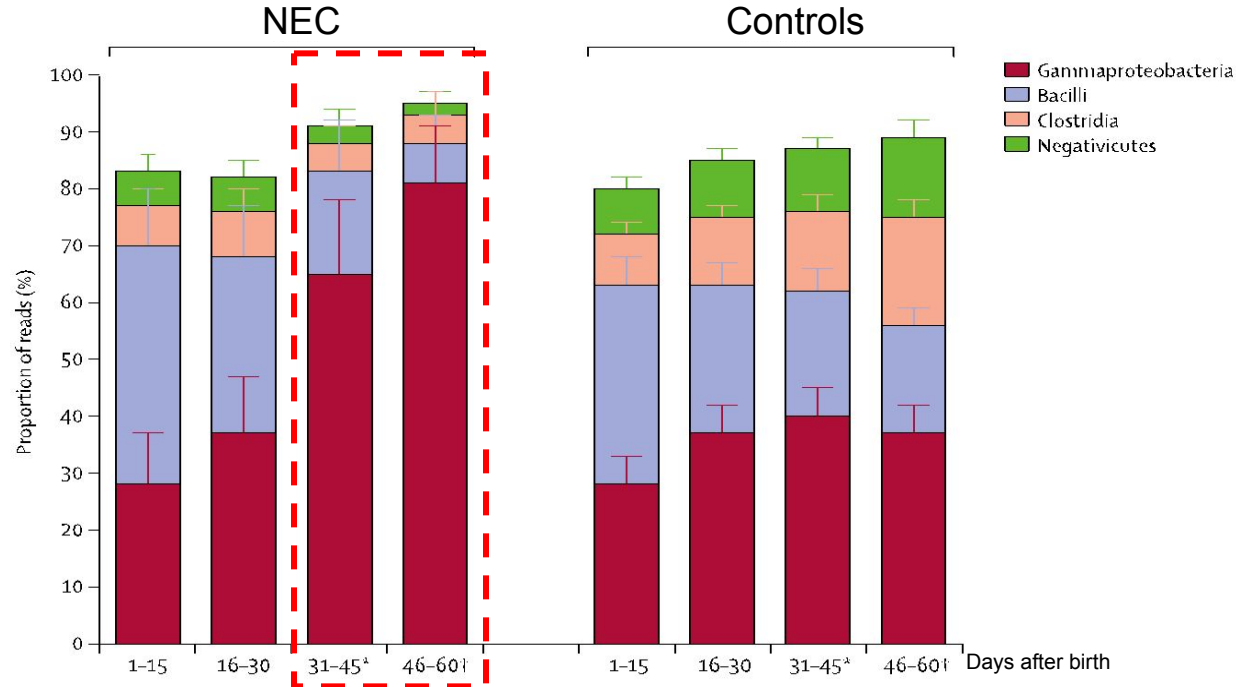
Improves gut motility

## Improved gut function including prevention of NEC

# Clinical Signal - Dysbiosis



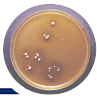
Dysbiosis with pathogen blooms in the microbiota can contribute to necrotizing enterocolitis in preterm infants



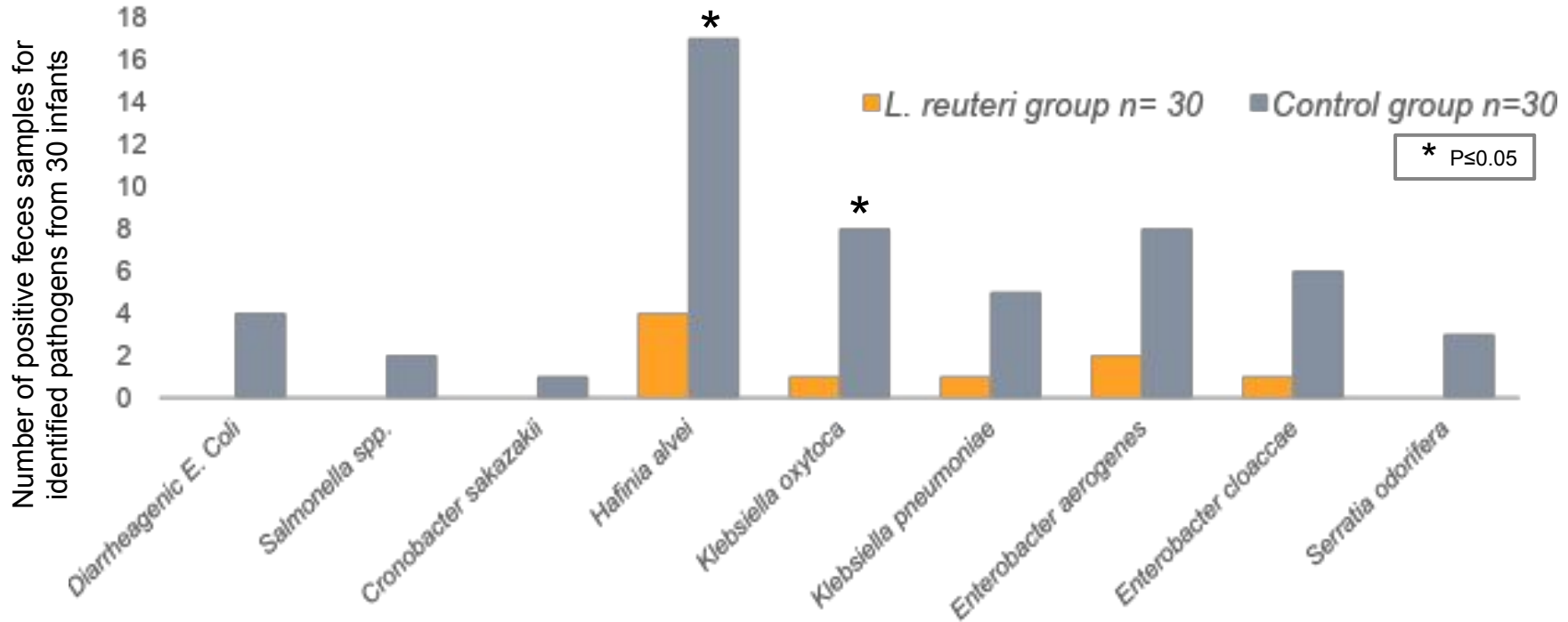
Bloom of pathogen-rich gamma proteobacteria prior to onset of NEC

Microbiome optimization may provide a novel strategy for preventing NEC

# Clinical data - Anti-pathogen effects



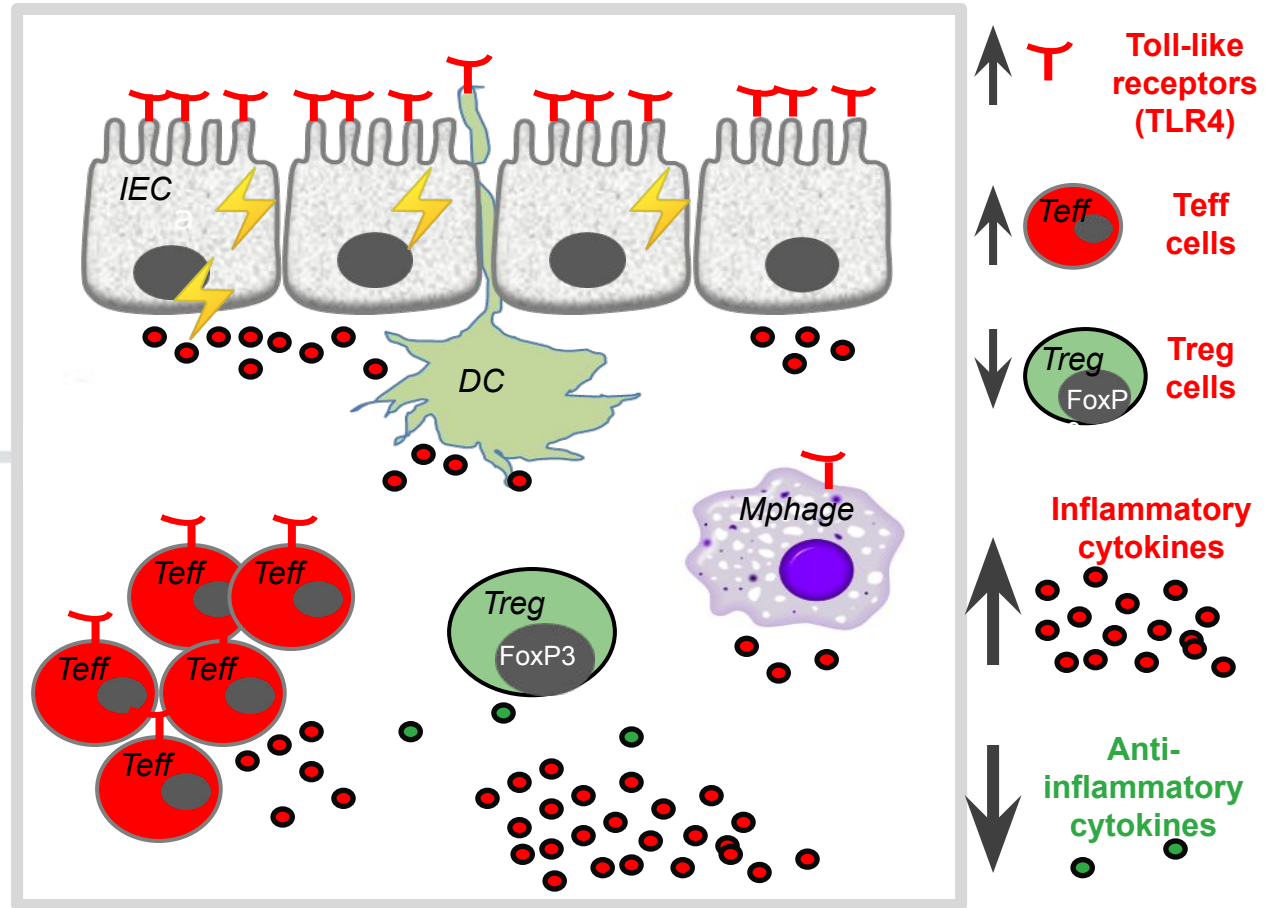
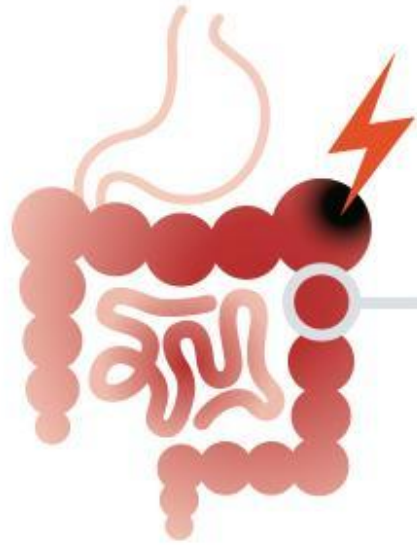
## Infant fecal pathogens after 1 month *L. reuteri* treatment



***L. reuteri* decreased gut pathogen colonization in infants**



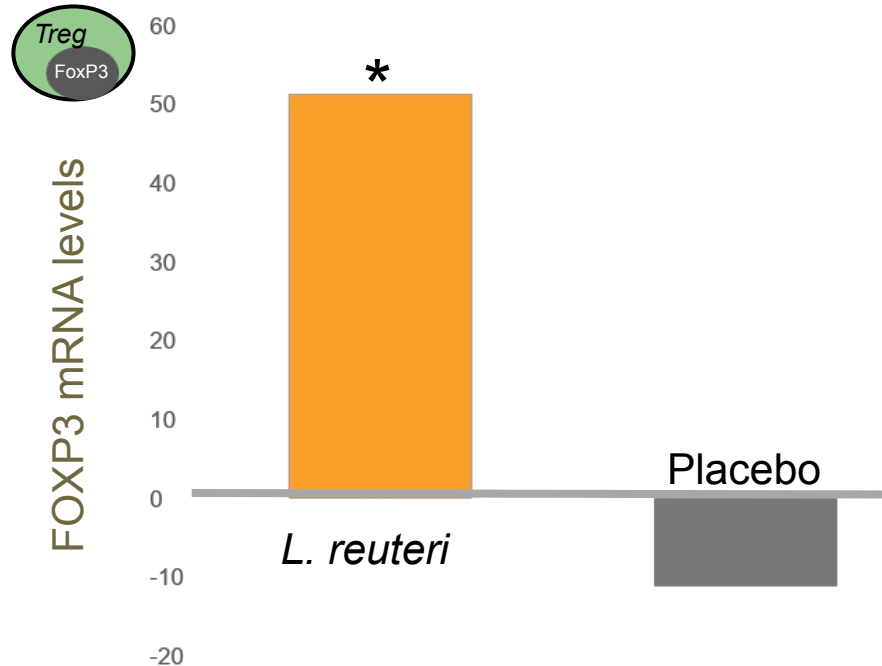
# Excessive inflammation in NEC



# Clinical - Anti-inflammatory

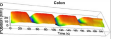


Treg cells increase in infant blood after *L. reuteri* administration

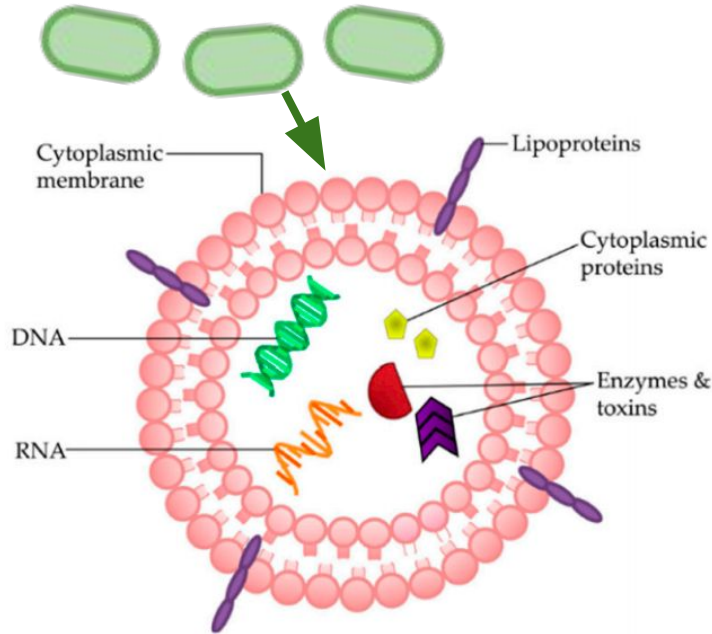


*L. reuteri* recruitment of Treg cells now shown in infants

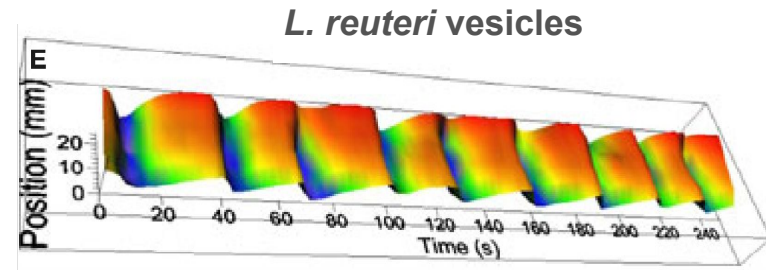
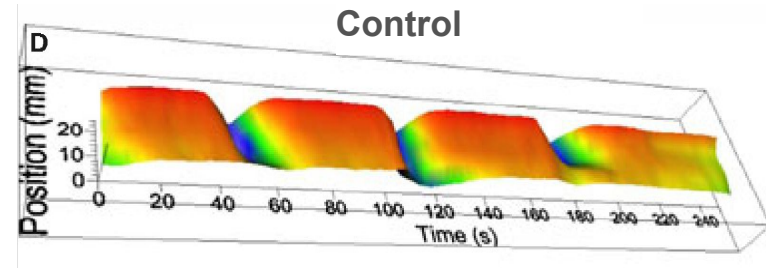
# Pre-clinical data - improved gut motility



Microvesicles from *L. reuteri* completely reproduce gut motility modulation of the intact bacteria in mouse

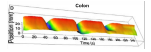


Bacterial membrane vesicles  
produced by *L. reuteri*

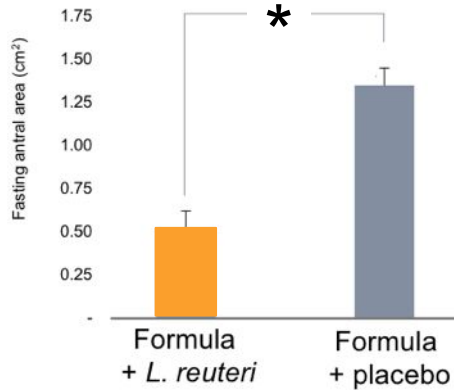


Propagating contractile clusters  
in the colon

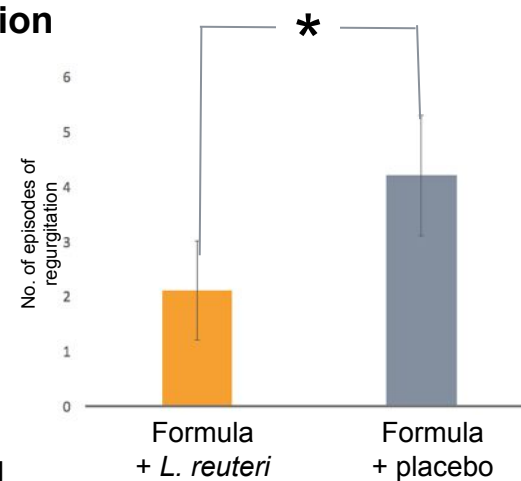
# Clinical data - Modulation of gut motility



## Fasting antral area

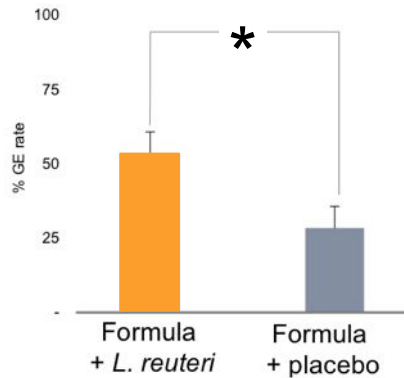


## Regurgitation

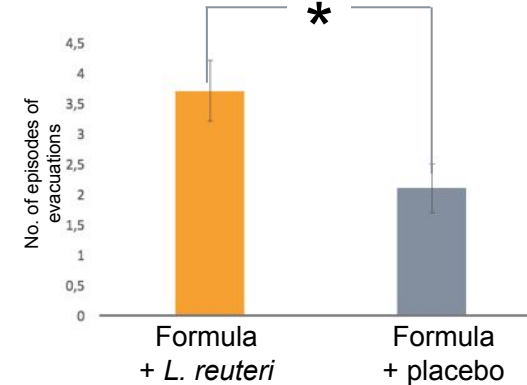


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## Gastric emptying

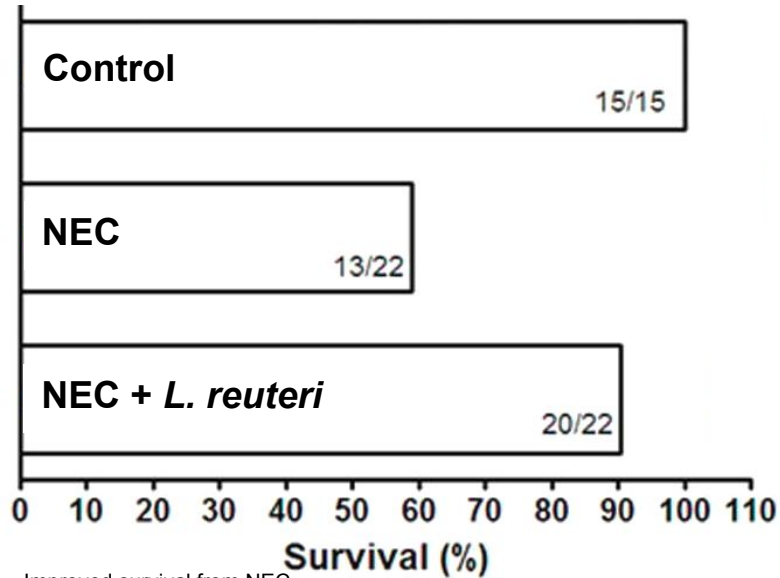


## Stooling



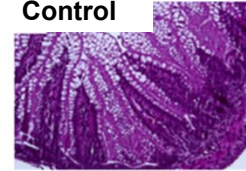
**Preterm infants given *L. reuteri* show improved gut emptying**

# *L. reuteri* protects from NEC in animal models

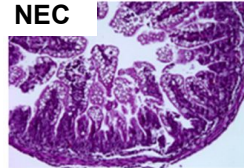


Improved survival from NEC

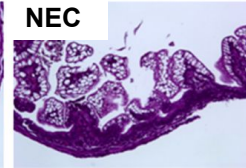
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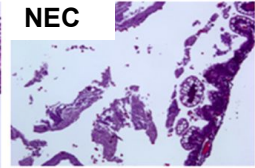
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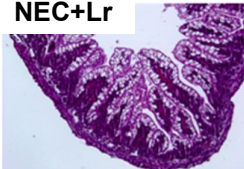
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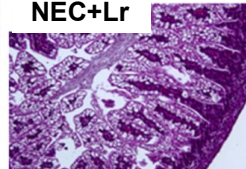
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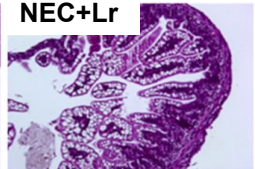
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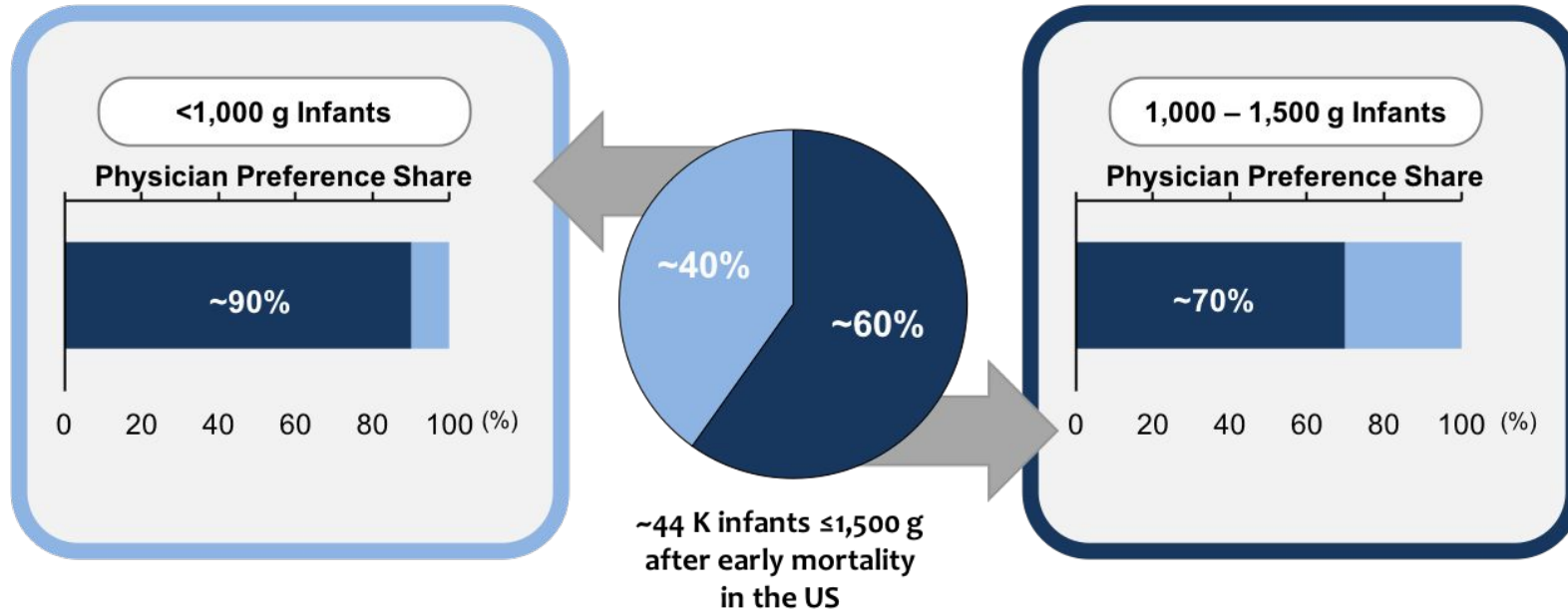
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Reduced intestinal damage

# Neonatologists show high willingness to prescribe IBP-9414

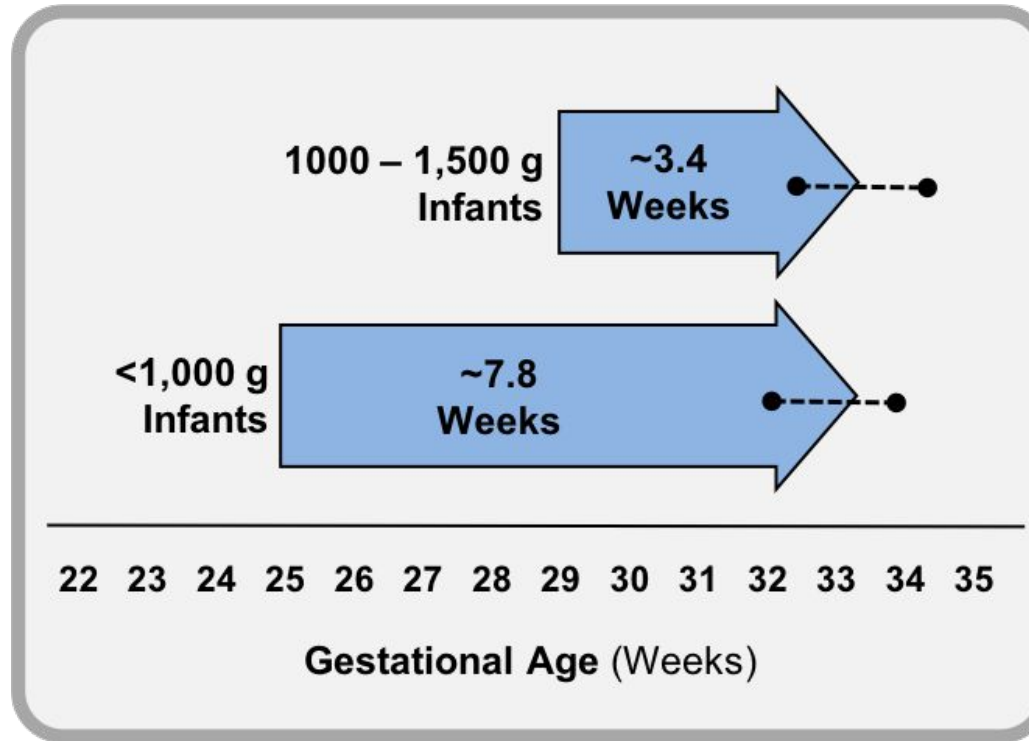
Clearview US market research indicates an overall 78% physician preference share reflecting a high unmet medical need



**CLEARVIEW**  
Healthcare Partners



# Treatment up to 34 weeks



*Physicians expected to halt IBP-9414 treatment once infants had reached 32 to 34 weeks postmenstrual age*

# A valuable pharmaceutical

## Results of market analysis by ClearView Healthcare Partners



56 000

Number of infants born under 1,500 grams in the United States annually

78%

Physician preference share demonstrates neonatologists show high willingness to prescribe IBP-9414

70%

Of addressable patients are anticipated to receive care at an institution that includes IBP-9414 on formulary

360 MUSD

Estimated annual revenue potential in US based on ClearView market research

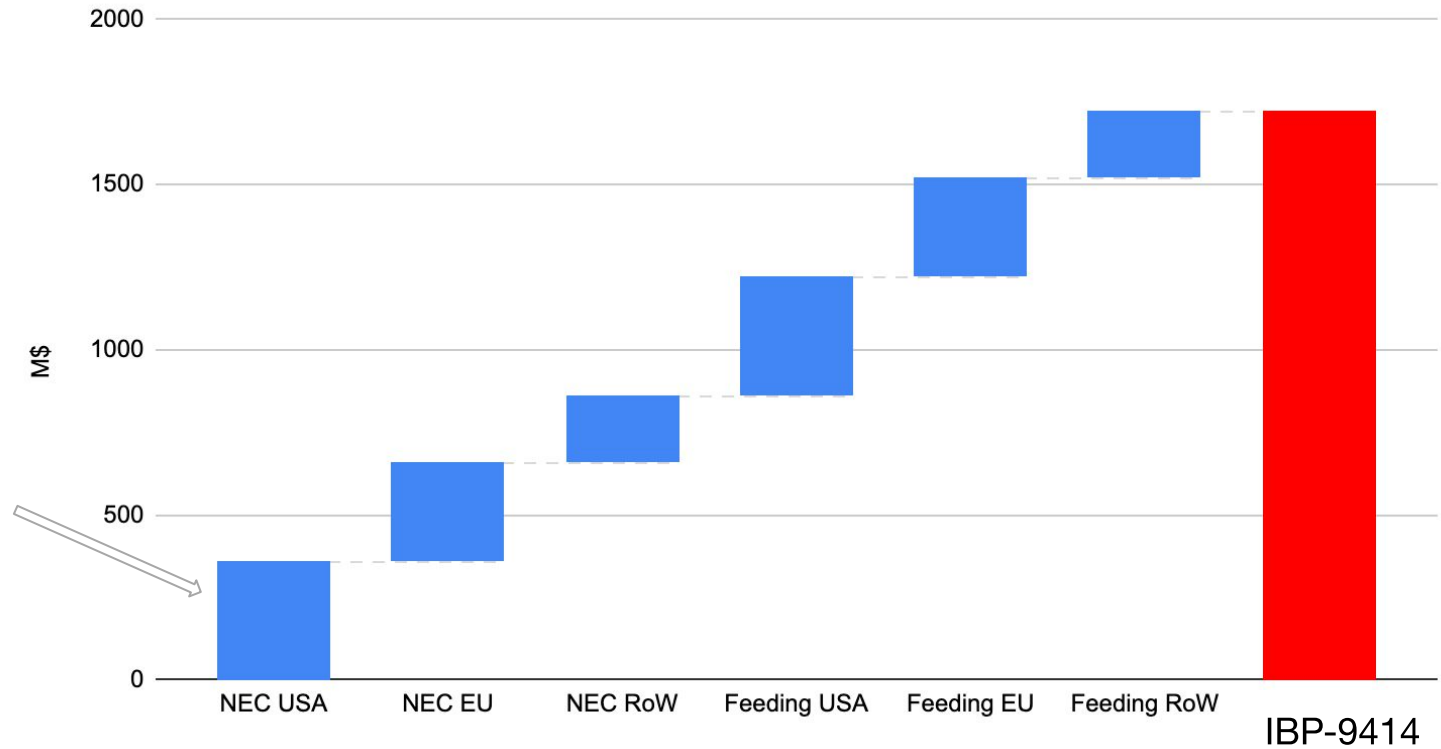
**1 500 infants die from NEC in the United States each year**

# Megabrand potential

Estimated peak sales in M\$

■ IBP-9414

Clearview  
360 M\$/year



# IBP-9414 Exclusivity starts from approval!

## Three layers of protection

1	Orphan Drug Designation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Granted Orphan Status</li><li>• Provides Orphan Drug Exclusivity in EU 12.5 years and US 7.5 years</li></ul>
2	Data Exclusivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• EU and US</li><li>• Provides protection for 10 years in EU and 12 years in US</li></ul>
3	Patent Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Granted in EU and US</li><li>• SPC 5 Year + .5 year Pedia extensions in EU</li><li>• Patent Term extensions possible</li></ul>
Pending formulation patent application could extend Patent Protection		

Total existing potential protection of 12 years in EU and 12.5 years in US after approval.

Additional patent protection existing in all important markets, including China and Japan.



### 3 Proof of concept established - published clinical studies

# Phase II Completed, a Safety and Tolerability Study

- ❑ Recruitment rate was higher than estimated without a difference between larger and smaller infants
- ❑ Similar Adverse Event and Serious Adverse Event profile between active and placebo groups
- ❑ No evidence of cross-contamination with IBP-9414 in placebo treated infants
- ❑ Treatment with IBP-9414 leads to presence of bacterium in the feces
- ❑ Smaller infants needed the higher dose to display IBP-9414 in the feces
- ❑ 30 days after last dose, the bacteria have been washed out

**The study shows that IBP9414 was safe and well tolerated**

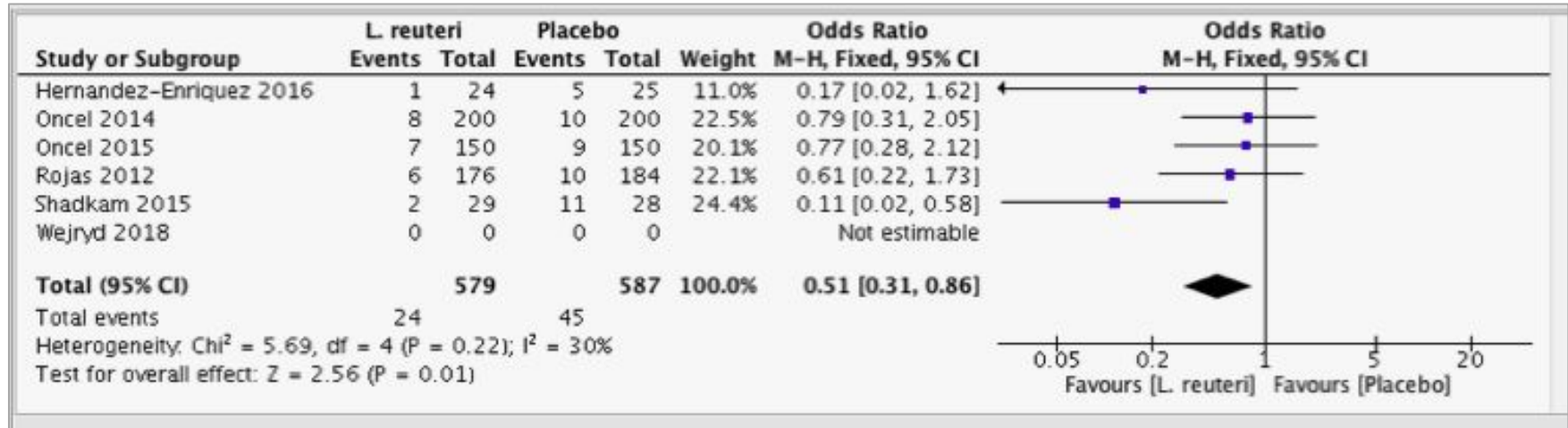


# Clinical signal on clinically meaningful endpoints

NICU Study	Number of Patients	Reduction of NEC incidence	Reduction in episodes of feeding intolerance <i>or</i> reduction in time to full enteral feeding
Rojas et al. 2012	750	<b>37 %</b>	<b>43 %</b>
Oncel et al. 2014	400	<b>20 %</b>	<b>33 %</b>
Oncel et al. 2015	300	<b>22 %</b>	<b>36 %</b>
Shadkam et al. 2015	60	<b>82 %</b>	<b>24 %</b>
Hernandez-Enriquez et al. 2016	44	<b>83 %</b>	<b>17 %</b>
Indrio et al. 2017	60		<b>44 %</b>
Spreckels et al. 2018	104	<b>55 %</b>	
Wejryd et al. 2019	134	<b>17 %</b>	<b>0 %</b>
Hunter et al. 2012/Dimaguila et al. 2013	354	<b>89 %</b>	
Jerkovic-Raguz et al. 2016	100	<b>50 %</b>	
Sanchez-Alvarado 2017	225	<b>64 %</b>	
Kaban et al. 2019	94	<b>100 %</b>	<b>67 %</b>
Rolnitsky et al. 2019	1,357	<b>55 %</b>	<b>52 %</b>
Cui 2019	93	<b>75 %</b>	<b>18 %</b>

# NEC clinical signals

## Incidence of NEC



### Meta-analysis:

**-NEC <1500g all randomized controlled trials gives an Odds Ratio of 0.51**

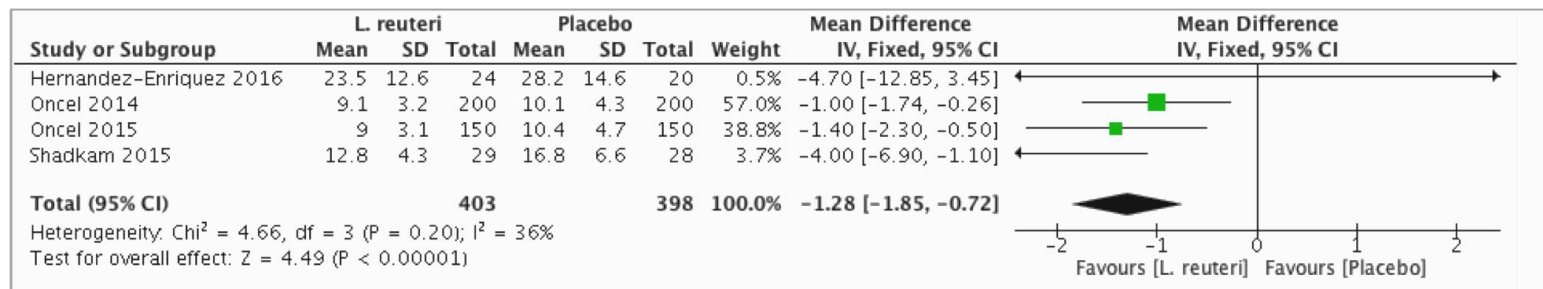
# Feeding tolerance – clinical signals



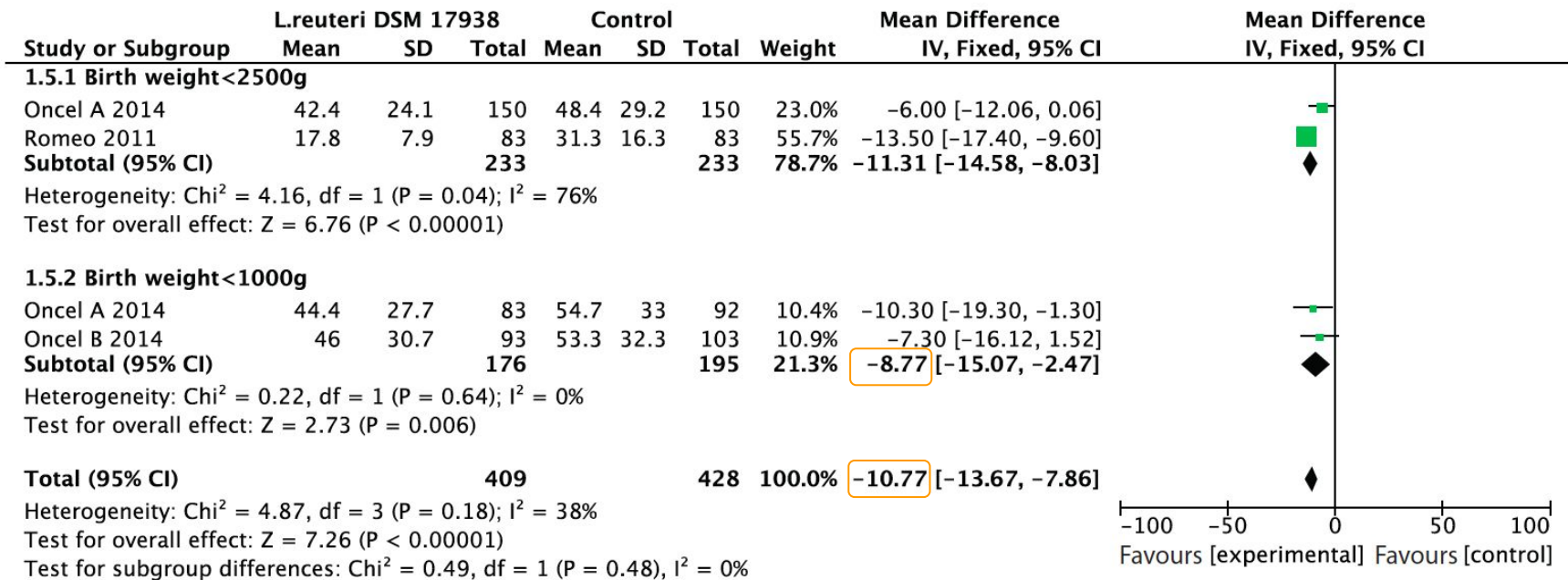
## Reported feeding intolerance events



## Time to full enteral feeding



# Hospital stay – clinical signal



**-HOSPITAL DAYS REDUCED BY 8.77 DAYS**



# Regulatory achievements

## IBT has had close interaction with regulatory agencies on the IBP-9414 development program

### FDA

- ✓ Sep-13: pre-IND type B FDA meeting
- ✓ Aug-13: FDA approval of Orphan Drug Designation
- ✓ Dec-15: IND becomes effective
- ✓ Mar-16: FDA grants Rare Pediatric Disease product status
- ✓ May-19 FDA and IBT agree design of Phase III study



### EMA

- ✓ Dec-14: Scientific Advice issued by CHMP
- ✓ Feb-15: EU Orphan Drug Designation
- ✓ Sept-17: PDCO adopts a positive opinion on the PIP

### National Medical Products Agencies

- ✓ e.g. Dec-15: Clinical Trial Application approved in Sweden



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**Final formulation established, four years stability on file, scalable production in place for launch**

# Pharmaceutical drug candidate IBP-9414

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## Developed under IND and CTX in contrast to food supplements

- Rigorous pharmaceutical Chemistry-Manufacturing-Control standards in all steps with GMP according to 21 CFR Part 210
- Single dose vial with dose accuracy following ICH Guidelines for Pharmaceuticals
- Stringent control of bioburden and microbial purity on final product analysis according to USA and Eur Pharmacopoeia
- Four years stability on file
- Scalable production in place for launch





# Why product quality is important

## The Solgar incident

October 2014

- A premature infant given a Solgar product (ABC Dophilus Powder) died from gastro-intestinal fungal infection



November 2014

- Solgar issued a voluntary recall of the product
- Investigators from the CDC identified the infecting fungus (*Rhizopus oryzae*) in unopened bottles of ABC Dophilus Powder

December 2014

- **FDA/CDC warning letter issued**
- Healthcare providers encouraged to submit an Investigational New Drug Application for FDA review

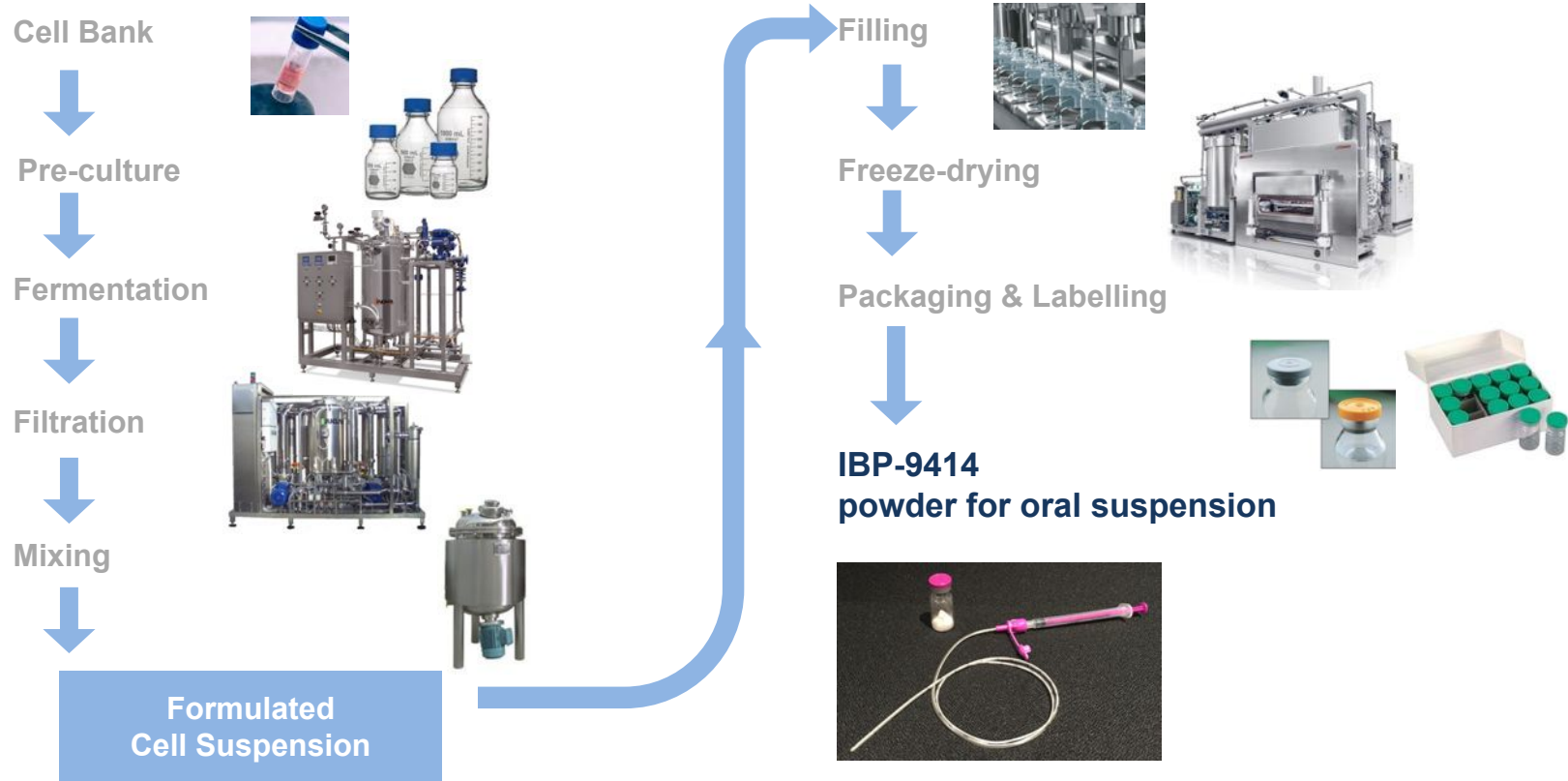
Consequences

- **Pressure to conform to FDA's rigorous standards due to risk of contamination**
- **Increased awareness of risk amongst healthcare providers**

FDA – US Food and Drug Administration  
CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

# Manufacturing Process of IBP-9414

## Stringent control of manufacturing environment



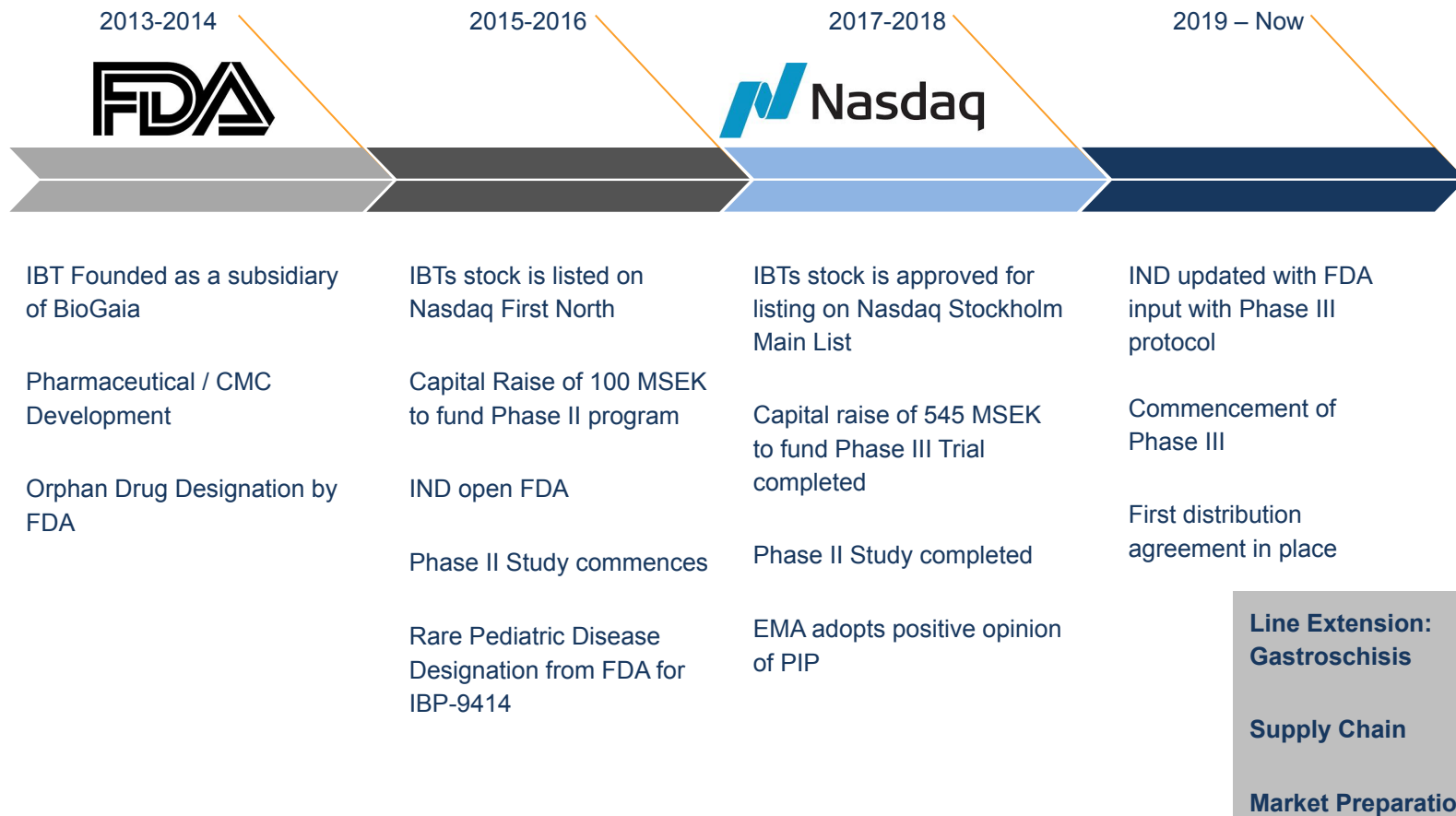
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# Phase III Pivotal Trial - The Connection Study

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- ❑ Connection Study started July 2019
- ❑ 2158 patient study of the prevention of NEC and improvement of feeding tolerance in premature infants 500 to 1500 grams
- ❑ Regulatory approvals in Bulgaria, Hungary, France, Spain, Israel, Poland, UK and USA. Waiting on Romania and Serbia.
- ❑ Cash position sufficient for the completion of the ongoing Phase III study

# IBT's Timeline



# First distribution deal for IBP-9414 in place

With Megapharm for IBP-9414 for the Israeli market and the Palestinian Authority's territories.

- ❑ Megapharm responsible for local registration, price negotiation and marketing
- ❑ IBT will receive 70% of revenue after an initial period
- ❑ Potential to include Israeli medical centers in Phase III trial

# IBP-9414 our lead Phase III program

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**Ticks all relevant pillars for the development of a successful drug**

Medical need	✓
Mechanism of action	✓
Clinical data	✓
Safe	✓
Aligned regulatory agencies	✓
GMP manufacture	✓
Market exclusivity	✓
Aligned payers	✓
Orphan Drug and Rare Pediatric Disease designations	✓
Cash position sufficient to fund IBP-9414 development	✓





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