The fate of mamaku gum in the gut: Effect on *in vitro* gastrointestinal function and colon fermentation by human faecal microbiota

Supplementary Information

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Fig. S1 Pictorial representation of mamaku frond with three stages of harvesting age (stage 1,

stage 2 and stage 3).



Fig. S2 Alpha rarefaction curve using (a) observed features and (b) Faith's phylogenetic diversity (PD). Dash line represents a sequencing depth of 172,862. Stage 1, 2 and 3 refers to the harvesting age of the mamaku fronds.



Fig. S3 Viscosity profiles of mamaku gum (0.5% and 1% w/w) in (a) simulated gastric fluid (SGF) and (b) simulated intestinal fluid (SIF) as a function of shear rate. Measurements were taken using double gap geometry at 20°C.

Salt	Concentration (mM)			
	SSF (pH 7)	SGF (pH 3)	SIF (pH 7)	
KCI	15.1	6.9	6.8	
KH ₂ PO ₄	3.7	0.9	0.8	
NaHCO ₃	13.6	25	85	
NaCl	-	47.2	38.4	
MgCl ₂ ·6H ₂ O	0.15	0.12	0.33	
(NH ₄) ₂ CO ₃	0.06	0.5	-	
HCI	1.1	15.6	8.4	
$CaCl_2 \cdot 2H_2O$	1.5	0.15	0.6	

 Table S1 Composition of simulated fluids used during in vitro digestion.

SSF, simulated salivary fluid; SGF, simulated gastric fluid; SIF, simulated intestinal fluid.

Table S2 Molecular parameters of purified mamaku gum (stage 1, 2 and 3) at 0, 1 and 2 h during gastric and intestinal digestion, analysed by size-exclusion chromatography coupled with multi-angle laser light scattering (SEC-MALLS).

	Weight-average	Root mean	Debudienersity		
	molar mass,	square radius,			
	<i>M</i> _w x 10 ⁶ (Da)	<i>R_z</i> (nm)	(1V1 _W /1V1 _n)		
	Gastric digestion				
Stage 1					
Oh	3.98±0.57ª	147.19±1.11ª	1.08±0.01ª		
1h	4.01±0.79 ^a	146.44±2.18ª	1.07±0.01ª		
2h	4.03±0.18ª	148.03±2.87ª	1.08±0.01ª		
Stage 2					
Oh	2.51±0.04 ^c	124.05±3.35 ^b	1.11±0.01ª		
1h	2.45±0.14 ^c	122.27±1.01 ^b	1.12±0.01ª		
2h	2.44±0.06 ^c	122.57±1.27 ^b	1.12±0.01ª		
Stage 3					
Oh	2.03±0.05 ^e	108.65±1.07°	1.08±0.01ª		
1h	2.04±0.01 ^e	109.15±0.25°	1.09±0.01ª		
2h	2.03±0.05 ^e	107.5±1.98°	1.08±0.01ª		
Intestinal digestion					
Stage 1					
Oh	4.06±0.17ª	148.17±4.11ª	1.09±0.01ª		
1h	4.12±0.06ª	147.04±1.18ª	1.08±0.01ª		
2h	4.11±0.1ª	147.64±2.87ª	1.08±0.01ª		
Stage 2					
Oh	2.69±0.01 ^b	121.8±2.99 ^b	1.12±0.01ª		
1h	2.75±0.08 ^b	120.47±2.43 ^b	1.12±0.02ª		
2h	2.65±0.07 ^b	122.47±0.96 ^b	1.13±0.01ª		
Stage 3					
Oh	2.20±0.08 ^d	107.7±1.27°	1.1±0.01ª		
1h	2.15±0.07 ^d	106.75±1.91°	1.1±0.02ª		
2h	2.23±0.95 ^d	106.2±2.65°	1.1±0.01ª		

Values are expressed as means \pm standard deviation (n=3). Values in the same column denoted with different superscripts are significantly different (p \leq 0.05).