

Oat protein isolate-*Pleurotus ostreatus* β -glucan conjugate nanoparticles bound to β -carotene effectively alleviate immunosuppression by regulating gut microbiota

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Figure S1. TEM images of β -carotene nanoparticles stabilized by OPI, OPI-POG

mixture and OPI-POG conjugate before digestion (the scale bar represents 200 nm).

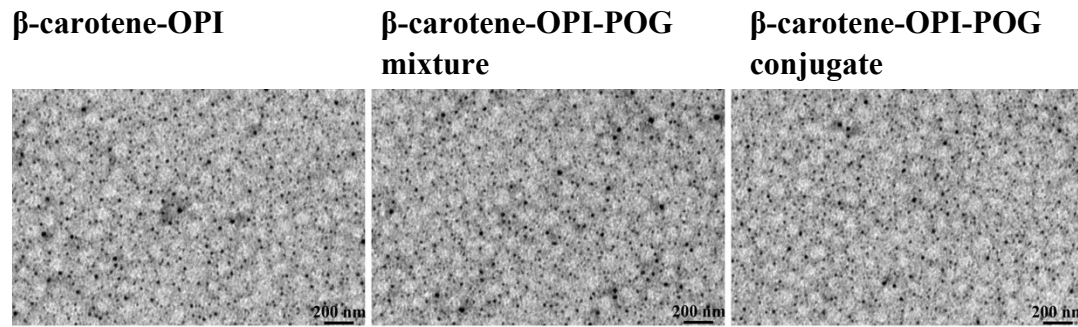


Figure S2. Venn diagrams of 80 OTUs altered by β -carotene, OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles, and β -carotene-OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles. \uparrow indicates increased by β -carotene, OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles, and β -carotene-OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles. \downarrow indicates decreased by β -carotene, OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles, and β -carotene-OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles. Red font: β -carotene, OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles, and β -carotene-OPI-POG conjugate nanoparticles reversed OTU whose abundance was changed by CTX.

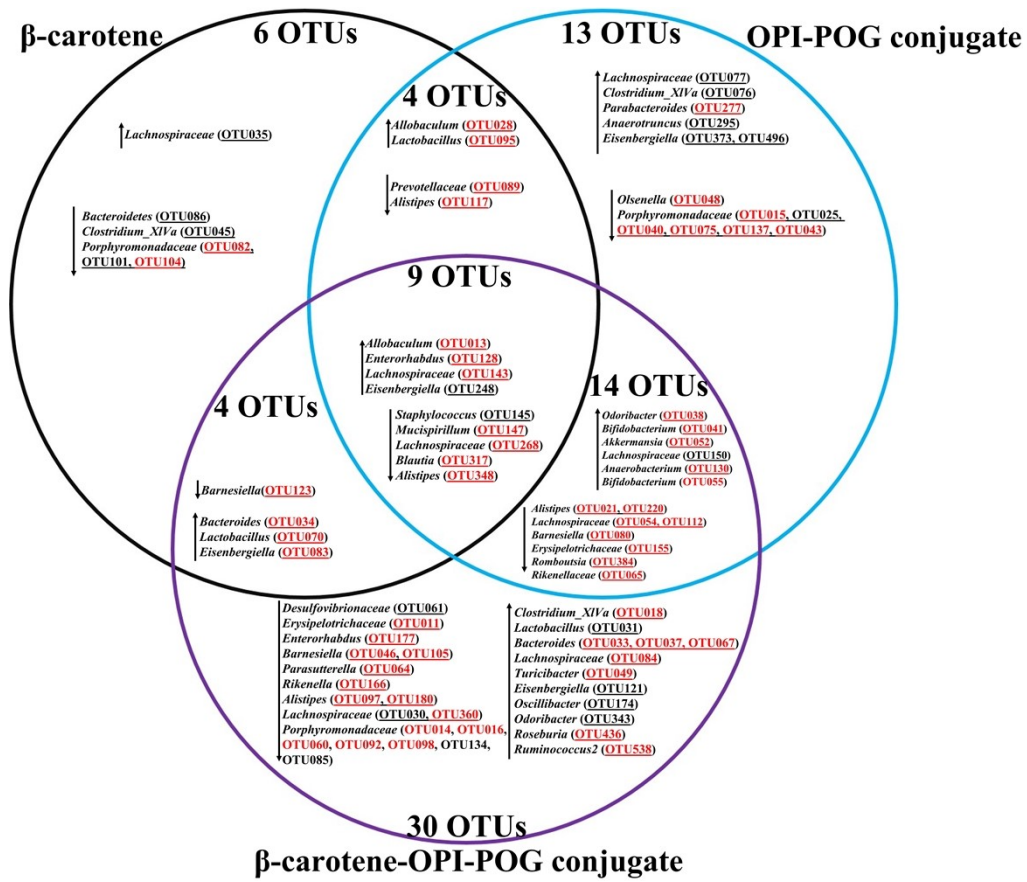


Table S1. Procedure of reversed phase HPLC for determining β -carotene and retinoids content

Equipment	(1) Alliance HPLC System equipped with 2998 PDA Detector (E2695, Waters, Milford, MA) (2) A COSMOSIL Cholester packed column (250×4.6 mm ID, 5 μ m) with a Cholester guard column (10×4.6 mm ID, 5 μ m)
Mobile phase	(1) Solvent A: 84% methanol: 14% acetonitrile: 2% ultra-pure grade water, v/v/v (2) Solvent B: dichloromethane
Gradient program	Solvent A: 80%-45% in 15 min, 45% for 5 min, 45%-80% in 5min, held at 80% for 3 min until injection of the next sample.
Injection volume	20 μ L
Flow rate	1 mL/min
Column temperature	10 $^{\circ}$ C
Detection wavelength	PDA detector, β -carotene (450 nm), retinol and retinyl palmitate (340 nm).

Table S2. Procedure of gas chromatography for determining SCFAs content

Equipment	Agilent HP-INNOWAX capillary column ($30 \text{ m} \times 0.25 \text{ mm} \times 0.25 \mu\text{m}$) a flame ionization detector
Procedure	
Flow rate of nitrogen	19 mL/min
Program	① at 100°C for 1 min ② at 180°C (5 $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$) for 4 min
Injection volume	1.0 μ L
Makeup gas	air: 260 mL/min hydrogen: 30 mL/min nitrogen: 30 mL/min