

## A mini review on Microbiomes



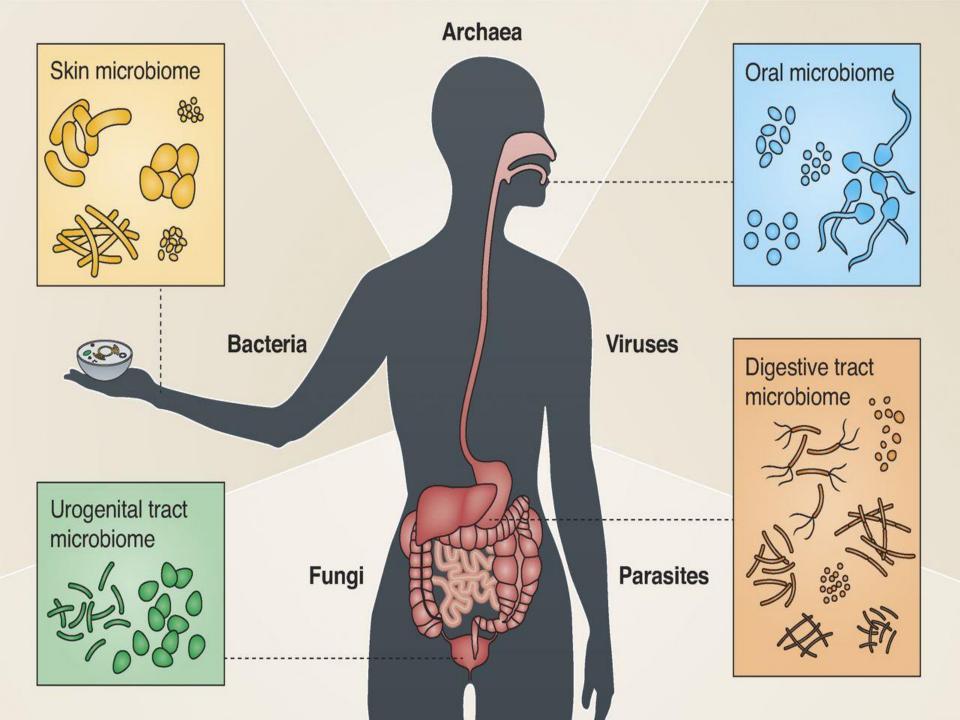


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## What are microbiomes?

- Both inside and out, huge array of microorganisms
- Bacteria are the biggest players
- Single-cell organisms (archaea), fungi, viruses
- Together: the human microbiota
- The body's microbiome is all the genes microbiota contains



## How many are we talking about?

- Since 1970's: microbes outnumber our own cells by about 10/1
- But a study from 2016: in fact microbial cells and human cells coexist in somewhere around suggesting they only slightly outnumber our own cells
- Although that doesn't count viruses and viral particles

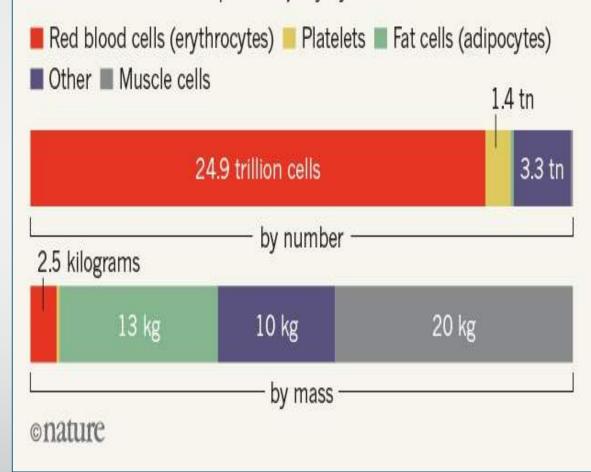
## Microbiome and Cells

1 trillion =

1 million million

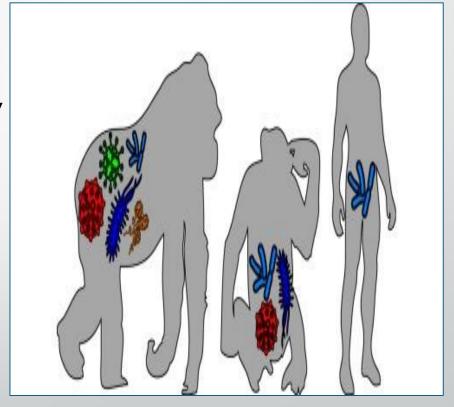
#### **COUNTING HUMAN CELLS**

Most of our body's cells are small red blood cells, although fat cells and muscle cells make up the majority by mass.



## Our Microbiome Changes

- As we mature and age
- With puberty or pregnancy
- As our diet changes
- Medical conditions and Tx
- Pets in the home
- ... Many more factors are being investigated!



# Each human becomes a unique community which is made up of

- Our own cells
- Bacteria
- Fungi
- Archea
- Viruses

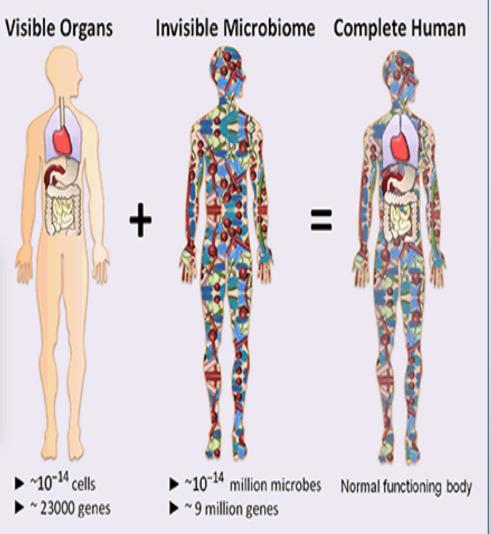


What are we?
Holobiont or
Human?



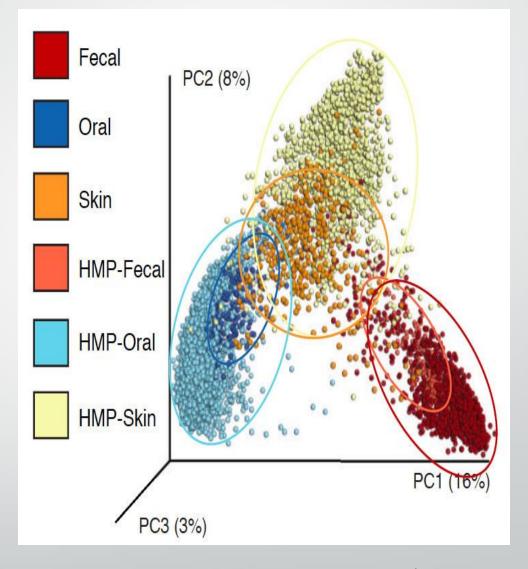
## In fact ...

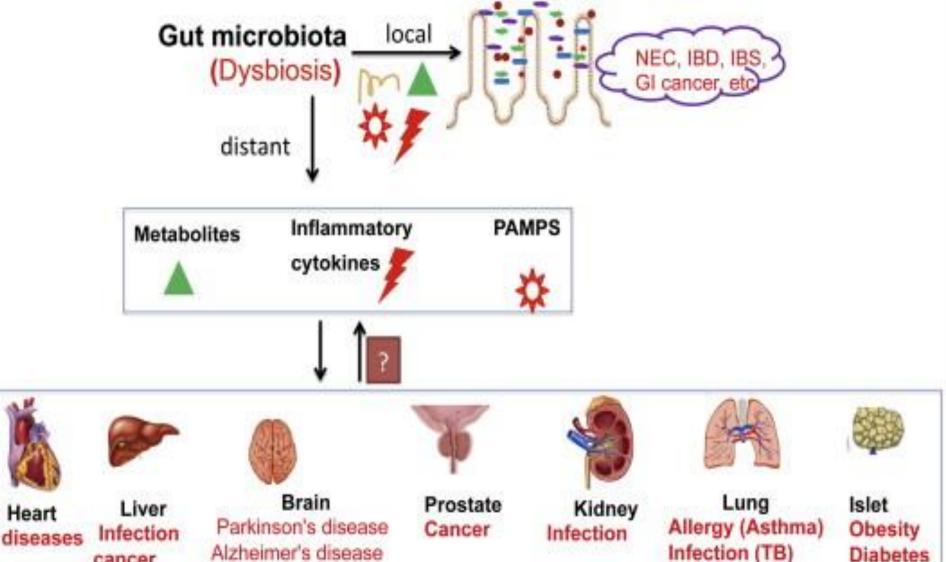




# The Human Microbiomes

Each part of the human body is home to a different community of microbes





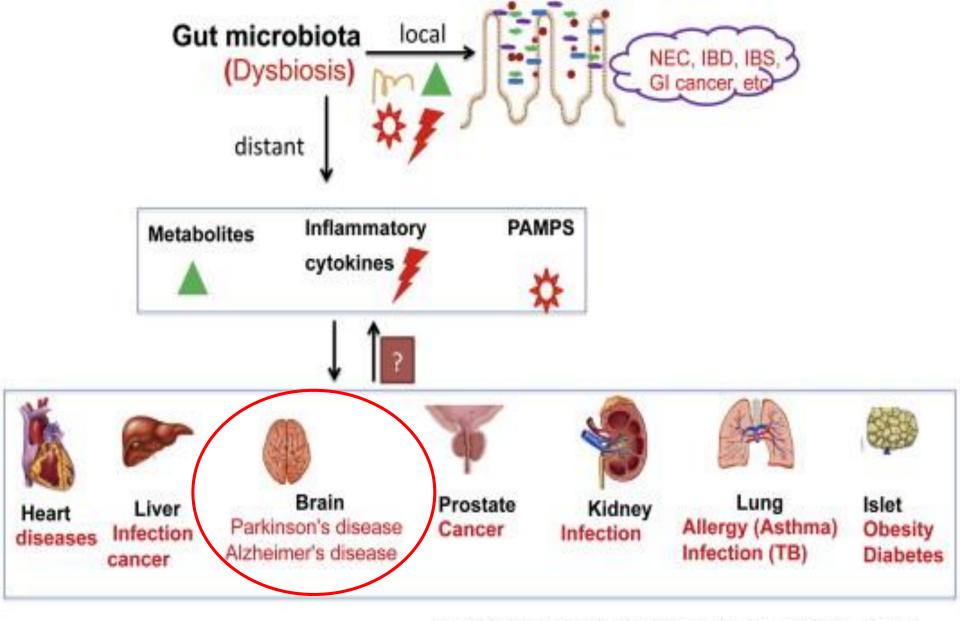
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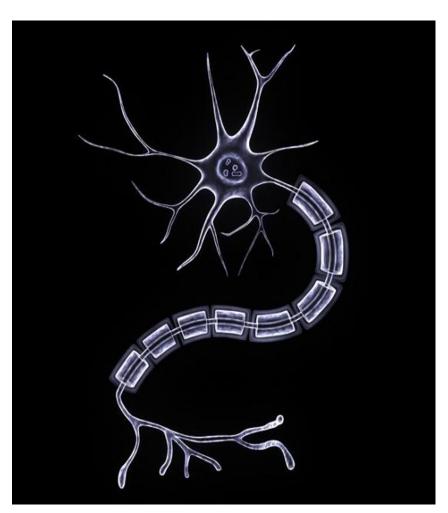
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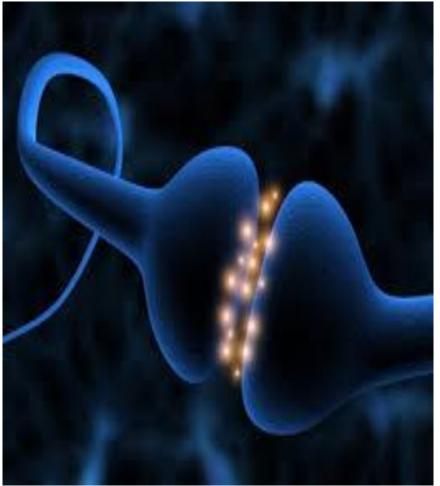
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# Brain and Gut Connections and the Human Microbiome

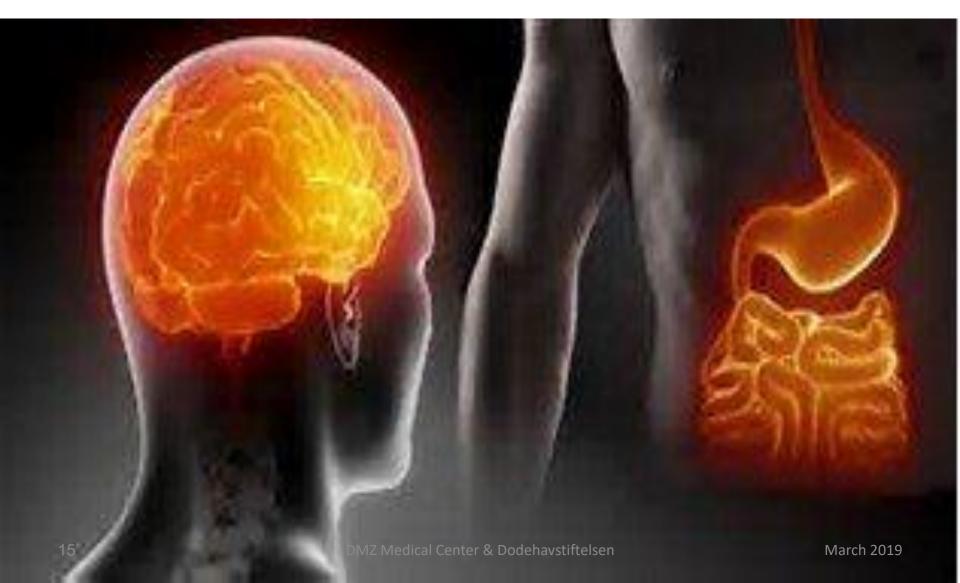
A short overview

## A Brain in the Gut



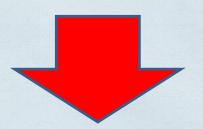


# Janice Singles, Psy.D., Distinguished Psychologist Mind-Gut Connections



# WHAT IS REALLY THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM?

The digestive canal represents a tube passing through the entire organism and communicating with the external world, i.e. as it were the external surface of the body, but turned inwards and thus hidden in the organism.

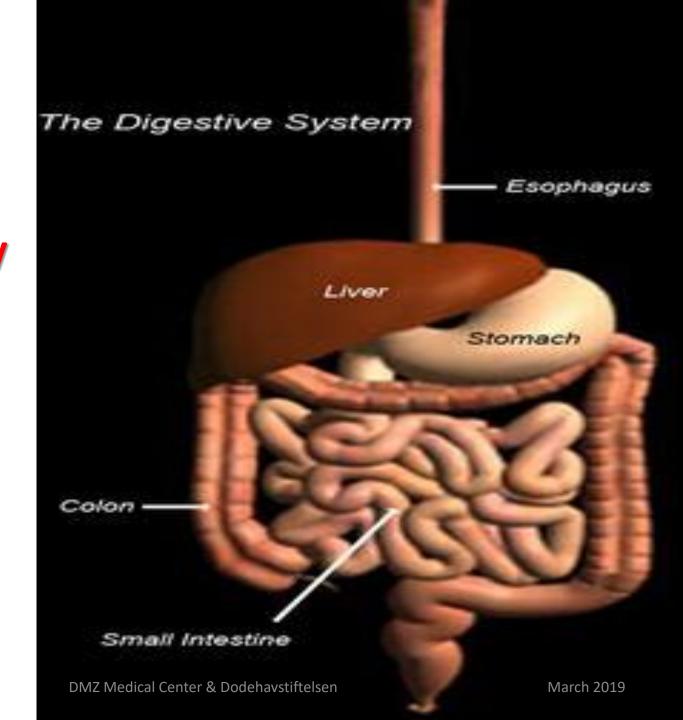


Ivan Pavlov

70% OF **OUR IMMUNE SYSTEM** IS FOUND **THERE** 



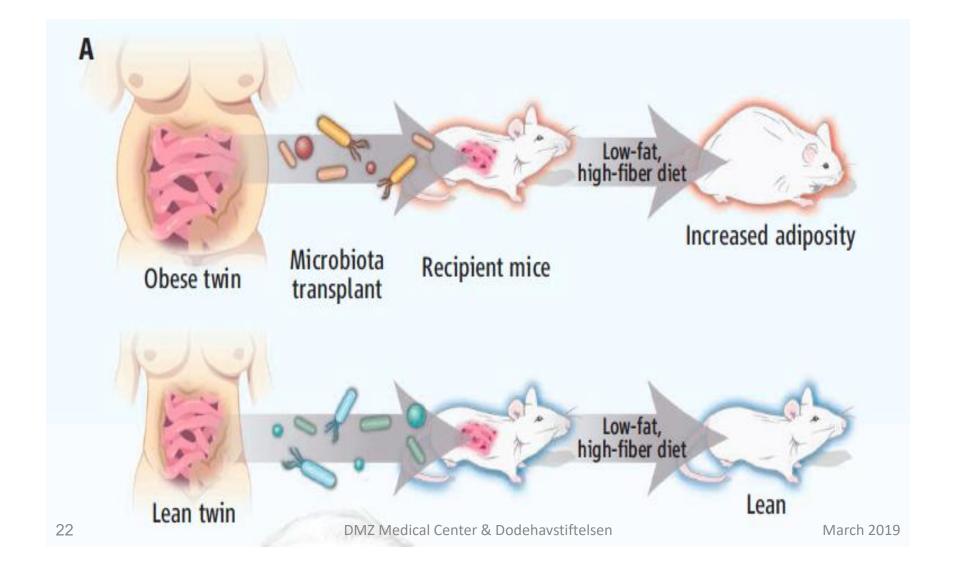
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of the brain
and the
spinal cord



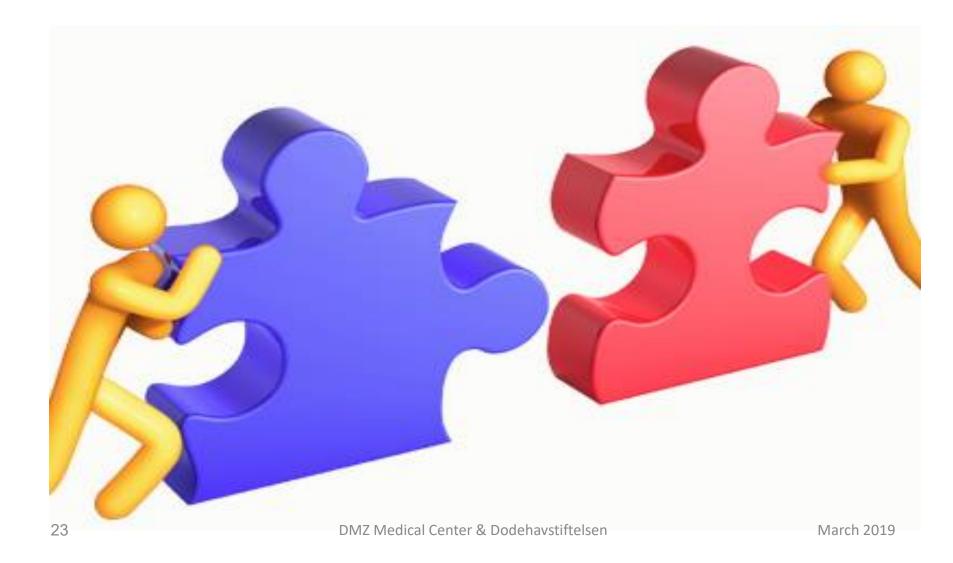


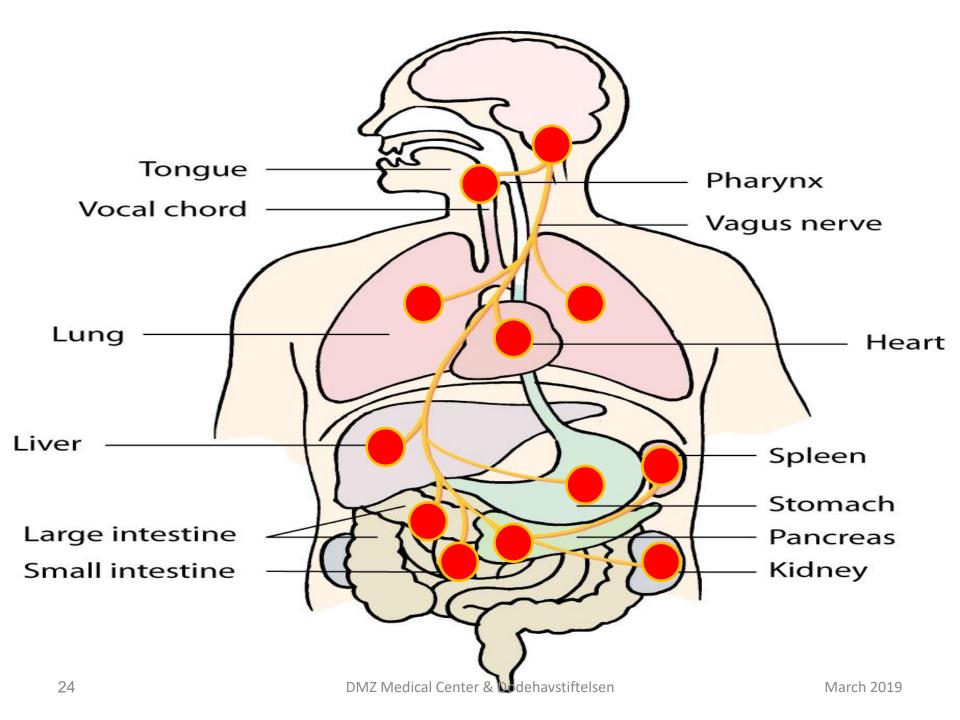


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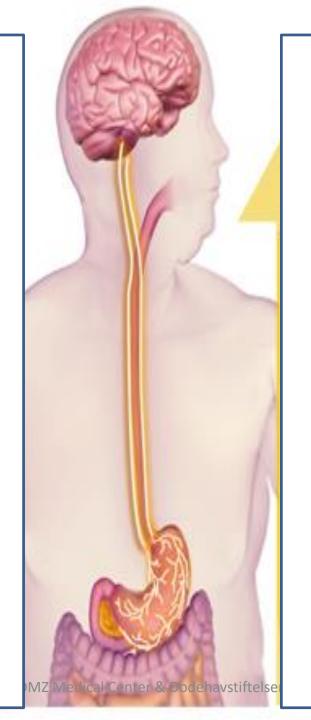
### How Does the Brain and Gut Connect?







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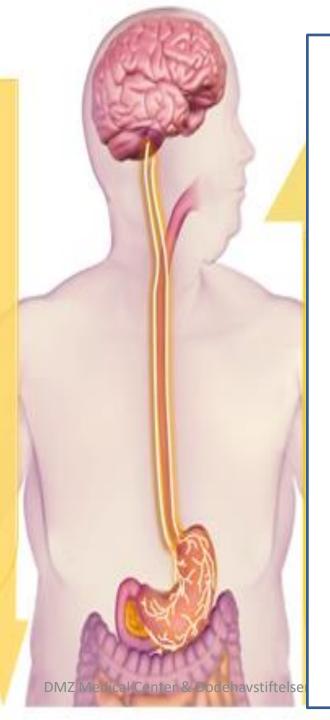


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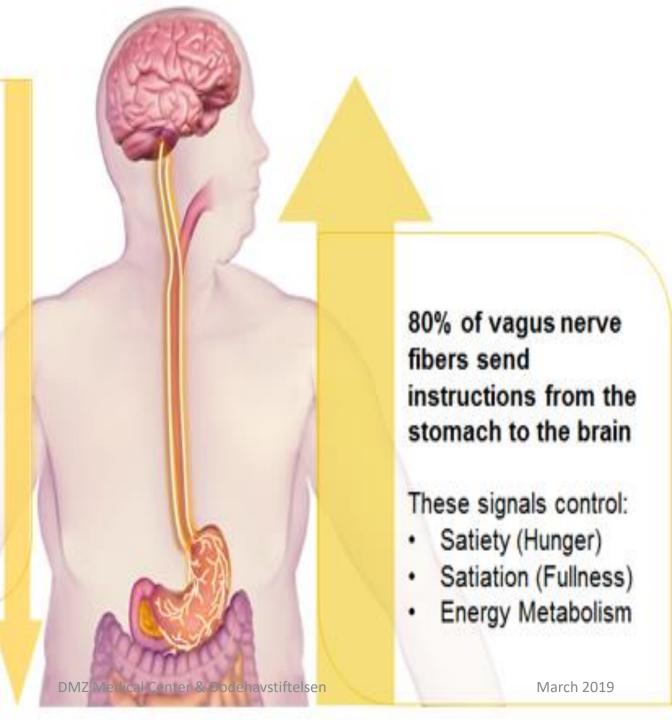


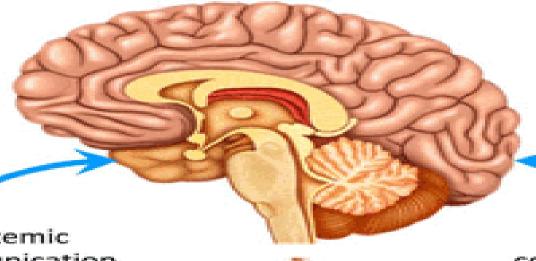
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Systemic communication

HPA axis Neurotransmitters Bacterial metabolites Cytokines Neural communication

Vagal Sympathetic

### STILL WE HAVE A LOT TO LEARN

#### AND WE TRY HERE AT THE DEAD SEA





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