

Supplementary table 1. Characteristics of different antibiotic classes

Antibiotic class (ATC-group)	Action mechanism	Spectrum
Tetracyclines (J01A)	Inhibition of protein synthesis	Broad
Penicillins (J01C)	Inhibition of cell wall synthesis	Narrow, Gram-positive
Cephalosporins (J01D)	Inhibition of cell wall synthesis	Intermediate, Gram-positive, Gram-negative
Trimethoprim (J01E)	Inhibition on DNA synthesis	Narrow, Gram-negative, Gram-positive
Macrolides / Lincomycin (J01F)	Inhibition of protein synthesis	Narrow, Gram-positive, Gram-negative
Quinolones (J01M)	Interference of DNA synthesis	Broad

ATC indicates Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical Classification

Supplementary table 2. List of the bacterial species studied with DNA-DNA checkerboard method

Gram positive-species	Phylum	Aerobe/anaerobe
<i>Actinomyces israelii</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>obligate anaerobe</i>
<i>Actinomyces naeslundii</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Actinomyces neuii</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Actinomyces odontolyticus</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Actinomyces oris</i> sp. nov	Actinobacteria	<i>facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Atopobium parvulum</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>obligate anaerobe</i>
<i>Atopobium vaginae</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>obligate anaerobe</i>
<i>Bifidobacterium biavatii</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Bifidobacterium bifidum</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Bifidobacterium breve</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Bifidobacterium longum</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Corynebacterium nigricans</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>aerobic/facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Corynebacterium pseudogenitalium</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>aerobic/facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Cutibacterium acnes</i> (formerly <i>Propionibacterium acnes</i>)	Actinobacteria	<i>aerotolerant anaerobic</i>
<i>Gardnerella vaginalis</i> *	Actinobacteria	<i>facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Varibaculum cambriensis</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Aerococcus christensenii</i>	Firmicutes	<i>aerobic</i>
<i>Anaerococcus vaginalis</i>	Firmicutes	<i>obligate anaerobe</i>
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Eubacterium saburreum</i>	Firmicutes	<i>obligate anaerobe</i>
<i>Lactobacillus acidophilus</i>	Firmicutes	<i>microaerophilic/aerotolerant anaerobic</i>
<i>Lactobacillus crispatus</i>	Firmicutes	<i>microaerophilic/aerotolerant anaerobic</i>
<i>Lactobacillus gasseri</i>	Firmicutes	<i>microaerophilic/aerotolerant anaerobic</i>
<i>Lactobacillus iners</i>	Firmicutes	<i>microaerophilic/aerotolerant anaerobic</i>
<i>Lactobacillus jensenii</i>	Firmicutes	<i>microaerophilic/aerotolerant anaerobic</i>
<i>Lactobacillus vaginalis</i>	Firmicutes	<i>microaerophilic/aerotolerant anaerobic</i>
<i>Parvimonas micra</i>	Firmicutes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Peptoniphilus</i> sp.	Firmicutes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Peptostreptococcus anaerobius</i>	Firmicutes	<i>anaerobic</i>

<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Staphylococcus aureus (gelbe Kultur)</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Staphylococcus aureus (weisse Kultur)</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Staphylococcus aureus subsp. anaerobius</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Staphylococcus epidermis</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Staphylococcus haemolyticus</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus agalactiae</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus anginosus</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus constellatus</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus gordonii</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus intermedius</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus mitis</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus mutans</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus oralis</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Streptococcus sanguis</i>	Firmicutes	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
Gram-negative species	Phylum	Aerobe/anaerobe
<i>Mobiluncus curtisii*</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Mobiluncus mulieris*</i>	Actinobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Bacteroides ureolyticus</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Capnocytophaga gingivalis</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Capnocytophaga ochracea</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Capnocytophaga sputigena</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Porphyromonas endodontalis</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Porphyromonas gingivalis</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Prevotella bivia</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Prevotella disiens</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Prevotella intermedia</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Prevotella melaninogenica</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Tannerella forsythia</i>	Bacteroidetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Dialister sp.</i>	Firmicutes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Selenomonas noxia</i>	Firmicutes	<i>anaerobic</i>

<i>Veillonella parvula</i>	Firmicutes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Fusobacterium nucleatum sp. nucleatum</i>	Fusobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Fusobacterium nucleatum sp. polymorphum</i>	Fusobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Fusobacterium nucleatum sp. fusiforme/Vincentii</i>	Fusobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Fusobacterium periodonticum</i>	Fusobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Leptotrichia buccalis</i>	Fusobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Aggregatibacter actinomycetemcomitans</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Campylobacter gracilis</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>microaerophilic ?</i>
<i>Campylobacter rectus</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Campylobacter showae</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Eikenella corrodens</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>facultative anaerobic</i>
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>facultative anaerobic</i>
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>facultative anaerobe</i>
<i>Helicobacter pylori</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>microaerophilic</i>
<i>Neisseria mucosa</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>microaerophilic ?</i>
<i>Proteus mirabilis</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>facultatively anaerobic</i>
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	Proteobacteria	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Treponema denticola</i>	Spirochaetes	<i>anaerobic</i>
<i>Treponema socranskii</i>	Spirochaetes	<i>anaerobic</i>

* can also be defined as Gram variable

Supplemental Table 3. Characteristics of the population stratified by sex and the use of antibiotics during the preceding year.

Parameter		No antibiotics (n=244)			Antibiotics (n=261)		
		Men (n=163)	Women (n=81)	p- value ¹	Men (n=165)	Women (n=96)	p- value ¹
Age (years)		62.7 (9.2)	65.9 (8.9)	0.012	63.1 (8.2)	62.4 (10.3)	0.557
BMI (kg/m ²)		27.4 (4.2)	27.3 (5.4)	0.860	28.4 (4.9)	28.0 (6.1)	0.557
Number of teeth	x-ray	20.0 (9.3)	18.7 (9.0)	0.310	20.2 (8.7)	20.5 (8.3)	0.813
Caries (n of teeth) ²	x-ray	1.10 (1.83)	0.87 (1.35)	0.349	0.97 (1.25)	0.85 (1.36)	0.476
Apical rarefactions (n of teeth) ²	x-ray	0.49 (1.09)	0.43 (1.35)	0.600	0.29 (0.56)	0.28 (0.62)	0.899
BOP (% of sites) ²	clinical	43.1 (18.9)	38.5 (20.2)	0.064	34.2 (17.1)	32.5 (18.4)	0.460
PPD≥4 mm (n of sites) ²	clinical	15.5 (15.0)	11.0 (11.2)	0.060	13.5 (12.1)	9.9 (12.0)	0.024
PPD≥6 mm (n of sites) ²	clinical	5.19 (11.3)	2.39 (5.42)	0.105	2.82 (6.32)	1.91 (6.47)	0.278
PIBI ²	clinical	25.9 (32.3)	15.8 (20.7)	0.011	19.2 (20.9)	13.8 (21.8)	0.061
				p- value³			p- value³
Smoking (ever) ⁴		95 (62.1)	23 (30.7)	<0.001	94 (61.0)	38 (42.7)	0.006
Periodontal treatment ⁴		7 (4.8)	11 (14.7)	0.011	25 (17.0)	12 (14.1)	0.563
Diabetes		29 (17.8)	19 (23.5)	0.294	48 (29.6)	22 (23.2)	0.261
Alveolar bone loss	No	32 (20.8)	16 (21.6)	0.679	41 (26.3)	24 (26.7)	0.163
	Mild	62 (40.3)	35 (47.3)		67 (42.9)	49 (54.4)	
	Moderate	46 (29.9)	17 (23.0)		42 (26.9)	16 (17.8)	
	Severe	14 (9.1)	6 (8.1)		6 (3.8)	1 (1.1)	
Edentulous		10 (6.1)	7 (8.6)	0.469	8 (4.8)	7 (7.3)	0.413

¹ t-test; ² log-transformation, mean and SD after back-transformation; ³ Chi-square; ⁴ Based on questionnaire on smoking and response to a question, whether the patient has ever received any periodontal treatment.

Supplementary table 4. Serum and saliva antibody levels in antibiotic-users and non-users during the preceding year.

Antigen	Antibody	Serum			Saliva		
		Non-users	Users		Non-users	Users	
		Mean (SD)		p ¹	Mean (SD)		p ¹
<i>A. actinomycescomitans</i>	IgA	-0.12 (0.37)	-0.26 (0.36)	0.008	3.59 (0.34)	3.56 (0.31)	0.313
	IgG	-0.15 (0.31)	-0.22 (0.38)	0.026	4.05 (0.58)	3.91 (0.52)	0.007
<i>P. gingivalis</i>	IgA	-0.37 (0.54)	-0.41 (0.54)	0.388	3.80 (0.39)	3.74 (0.38)	0.168
	IgG	0.05 (0.33)	0.04 (0.32)	0.796	3.56 (0.51)	3.53 (0.49)	0.545
<i>P. endodontalis</i>	IgA	-0.29 (0.43)	-0.30 (0.37)	0.848	3.86 (0.28)	3.84 (0.30)	0.319
	IgG	0.11 (0.28)	0.09 (0.28)	0.426	3.46 (0.37)	3.46 (0.40)	0.878
<i>P. intermedia</i>	IgA	-0.21 (0.26)	-0.25 (0.30)	0.066	3.48 (0.32)	3.52 (0.33)	0.205
	IgG	-0.36 (0.25)	-0.36 (0.24)	0.976	3.25 (0.35)	3.26 (0.36)	0.630
<i>T. forsythia</i>	IgA	-0.71 (0.23)	-0.73 (0.35)	0.677	3.86 (0.25)	3.87 (0.26)	0.476
	IgG	-0.96 (0.34)	-0.96 (0.35)	0.915	3.39 (0.36)	3.37 (0.35)	0.743

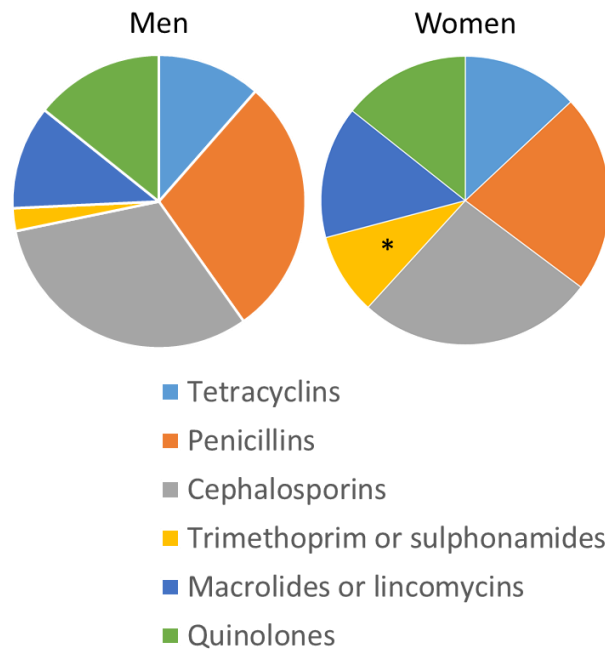
¹ t-test; all antibody levels are log-transformed; the unit of serum antibody levels is EU (ELISA units) and saliva antibody levels RLU/100 ms (relative light units).

Supplementary table 5. Association of saliva and serum LPS-activity with subgingival phyla.

	LPS-activity	
	Saliva	Serum
	B (SE), p-value	
<i>Actinobacteria</i>	0.040 (0.072), 0.575	-0.029 (0.040), 0.476
<i>Bacteroidetes</i>	0.142 (0.065), 0.030	-0.021 (0.037), 0.574
<i>Firmicutes</i>	0.033 (0.094), 0.728	-0.078 (0.053), 0.138
<i>Fusobacteria</i>	0.099 (0.062), 0.110	-0.018 (0.035), 0.614
<i>Proteobacteria</i>	0.122 (0.070), 0.082	-0.020 (0.040), 0.611
<i>Spirochaetes</i>	0.134 (0.054), 0.013	-0.001 (0.030), 0.967
<i>Firmicutes/Bacteroidetes</i>	-0.330 (0.108), 0.002	-0.015 (0.061), 0.800
Gram-positives	-0.464 (0.190), 0.015	-0.239 (0.107), 0.026
Gram-negatives	0.558 (0.179), 0.002	0.167 (0.102), 0.102
Gram-positives/gram-negatives	-0.534 (0.178), 0.003	-0.186 (0.101), 0.045

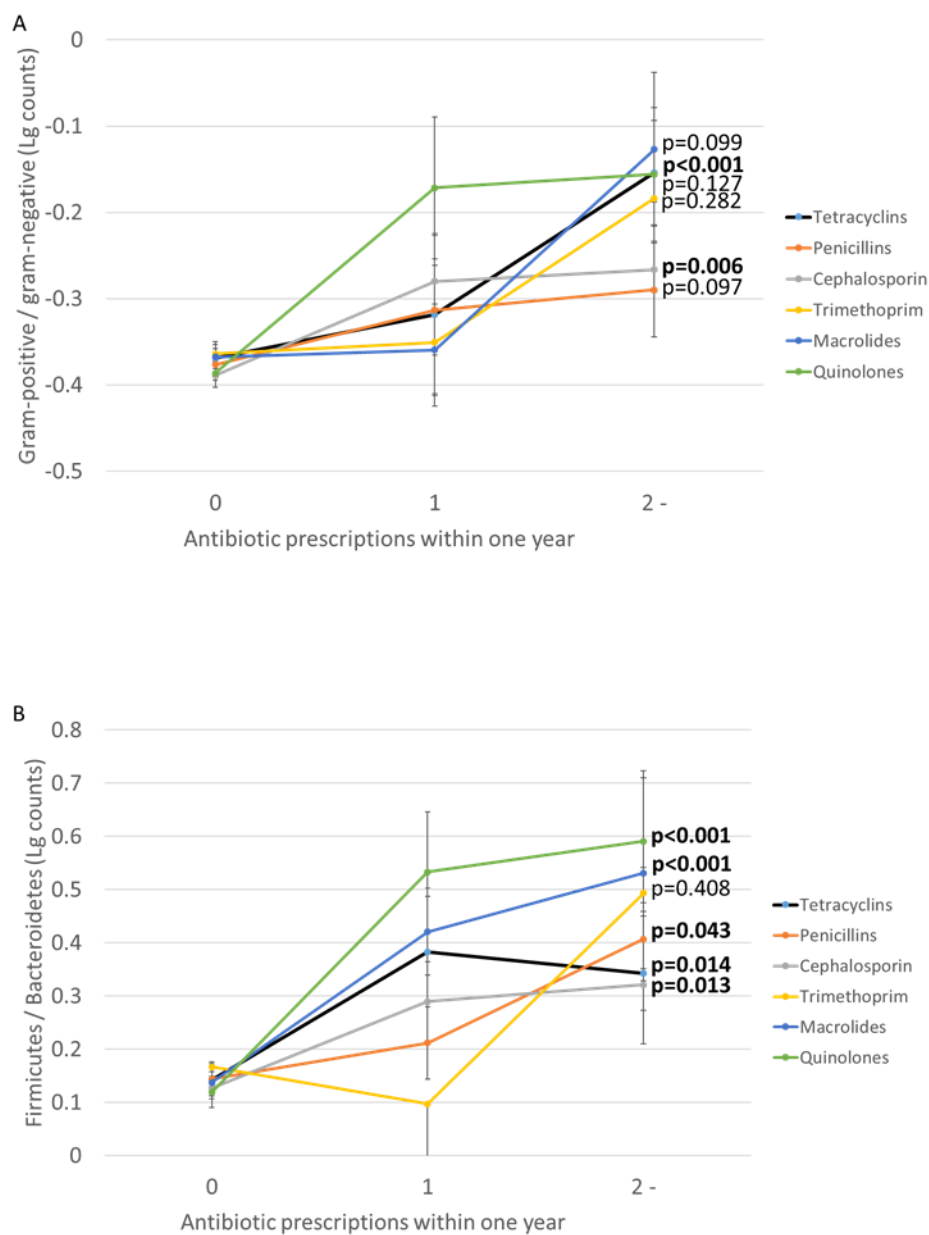
Linear regression model adjusted for age and sex. All bacterial and LPS levels are log-transformed. Gram-positives comprise a sum of 45 and gram-negative a sum of 33 species.

Supplementary
figure 1.



Supplementary figure 1. Antibiotic types in men and women. Two hundred sixty-one (51.7%) patients were prescribed with antibiotics during the preceding 1 year. Frequencies of antibiotic types are shown. P-values are analysed by t-test and the asterisk depicts $p < 0.05$ between men and women.

Supplementary Figure 2



Supplementary figure 2. Effect of antibiotic courses on subgingival microbiota. Mean values of log-transformed bacterial counts on with the SE are shown. The bacteria are classified as ratios of: A) Gram-positive/gram-negative, and B) Firmicutes/Bacteroidetes. The p-values are weighted linear terms from ANOVA.