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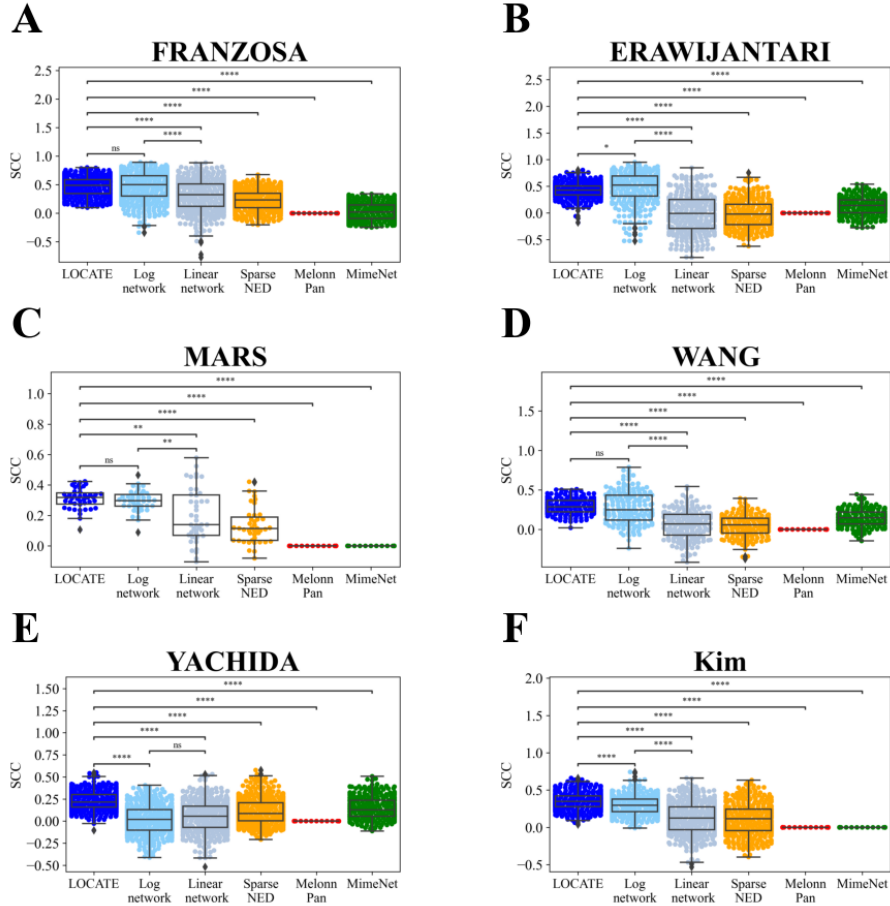


Figure 1: Latent representation of microbiome can be used to predict metabolites in each dataset separately better than all existing methods. **A - E.** Comparison between LOCATE and all state-of-the-art metabolites prediction models as well as a Linear network and a Log network over the different datasets FRANZOSA (**A**), ERAWIJANTARI(**B**), MARS (**C**), WANG (**D**) and YACHIDA (**E**).**F.** Comparison between LOCATE and all state-of-the-art metabolites prediction models as well as a Linear network and a Log network over the Kim dataset.

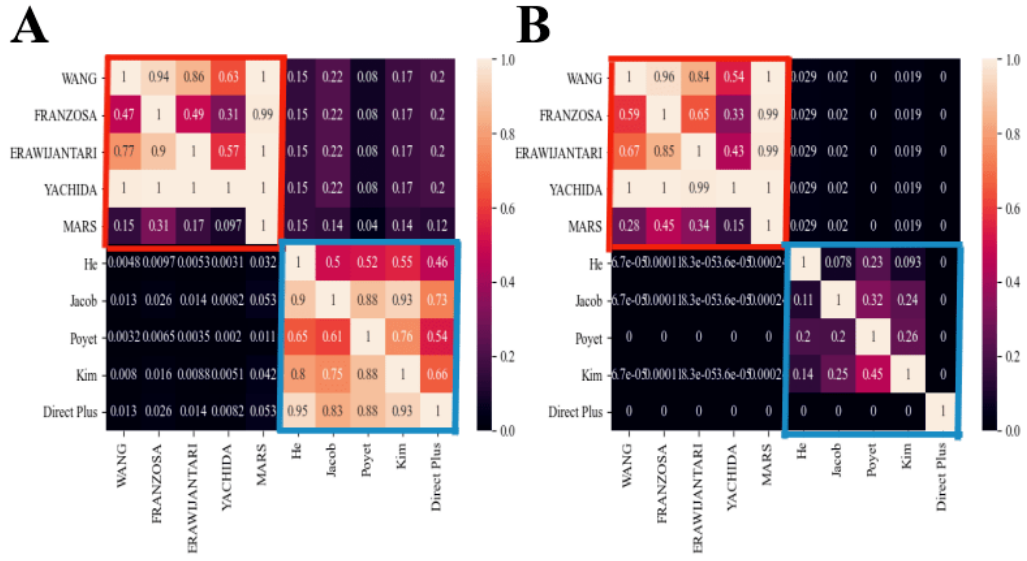


Figure 2: Intersections between pairs of cohorts of 16S and WGS at the order taxonomic level (A), and at the species level (B). The overlap between the pairs of the WGS datasets (red) is much higher than the overlap in the 16S datasets (blue), especially at the species level. The overlap between 16S and 16S is higher than the overlap between 16S and WGS, although the number of taxa in WGS is much higher than 16S, and one could expect the 16S taxa to be included in the WGS.

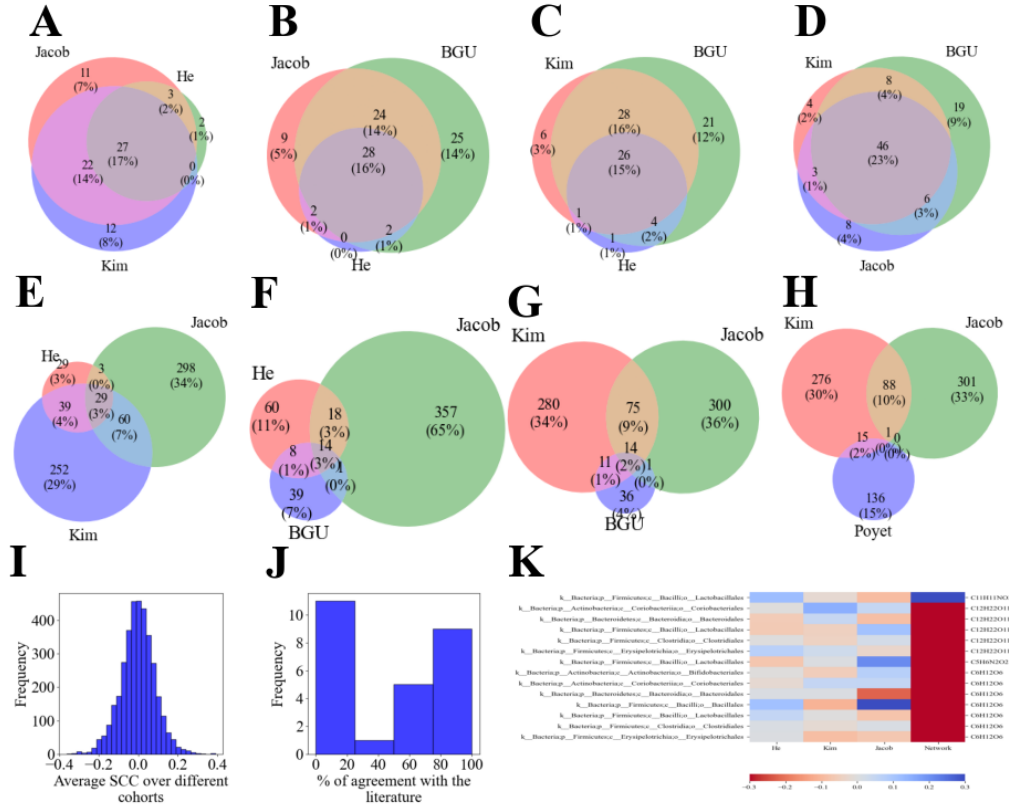


Figure 3: Low intersection between the orders microbiome and metabolites of different cohorts. **A - D.** Venn diagrams of the microbiome of triads 16S datasets. **E - H.** Venn diagrams of the metabolites of triads 16S datasets. Each color represents a dataset, and the intermediate colors represent the intersection. **I.** Histogram of average SCCs between each microbe and each metabolite that appears at least at 2 cohorts (of the 16S cohorts). The histogram's peak is at 0.0, what emphasizes the inconsistent SCCs cross datasets. **J.** Histogram of percent of agreement with the correlations reported in the literature and the correlations found in the cohorts. Most of the correlations do not agree with the literature. **K.** Heatmap of NMF coefficients between microbes and metabolites over different datasets (He, Kim and Jacob) vs the relations that are reported in the literature. Blue/Red colors represent positive/negative correlations. The relations vary between different datasets and do not preserve the known relations from the literature [1].

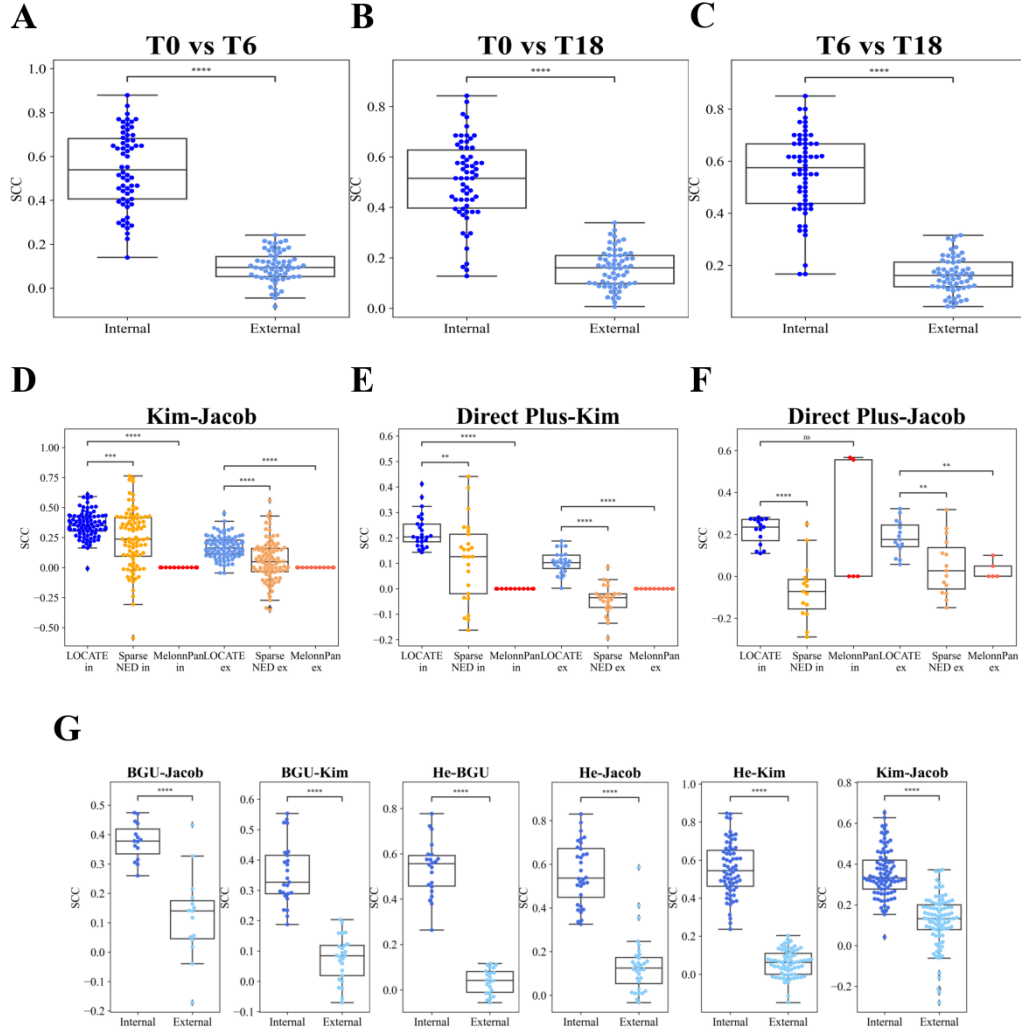


Figure 4: Microbiome-metabolite relations are dataset specific. **A - C**. Swarm plots of LO-CATE's predicted metabolites SCCs in the cross-times test over the Direct Plus cohort. The dark blue points represent the SCCs of the "in-learning", referred as "Internal", where only one time point was used for the training and the testing, by 10 CV approach. The lightblue points represent the SCCs of the "ex-learning", referred as "External", where LOCATE is trained on one time point and is tested on another one. There is a decrease in the accuracy of the ex-learning vs the in-learning. The stars follow all other figures. **D - F**. Swarm plots of all of the cross-datasets learning between couples of datasets, Kim-Jacob (**D**), Direct Plus-Kim(**E**), Direct Plus-Jacob (**F**). **G**. Swarm plots of all of the cross-datasets learning between couples of datasets of the Log network model. The decline in performance between the "in-learning" and "ex-learning" can be seen here too.

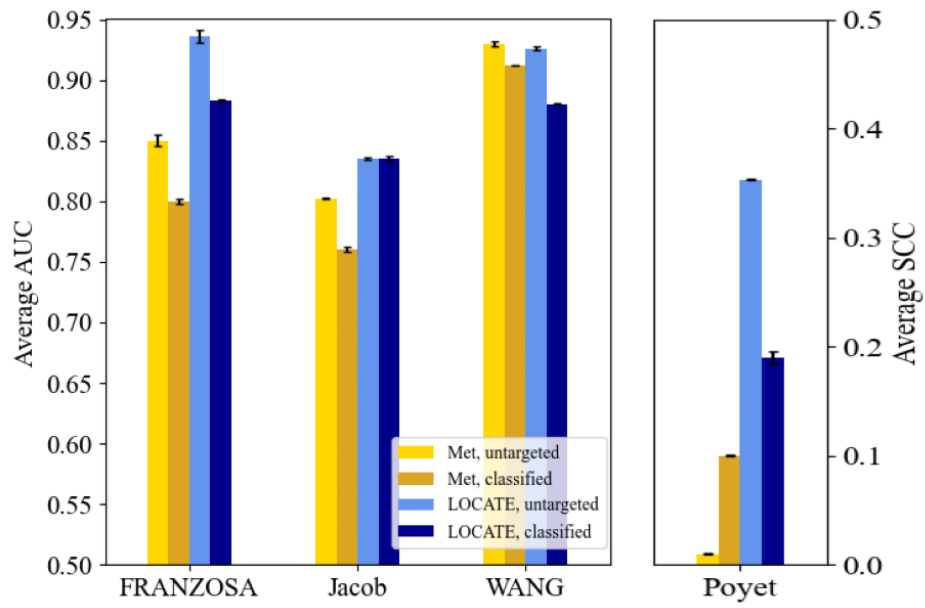


Figure 5: Phenotype predictions based on targeted metabolites vs untargeted metabolites. In each cohort with untargeted metabolites, the phenotype is predicted once based on models which are trained only on classified metabolites (the dark bars), and once on all the metabolites including unclassified ones. LOCATE based on untargeted metabolites (lightblue) outperforms all the other methods. The performance is measured as the average AUC (for binary phenotypes) and SCC for continuous phenotypes on a test set over 10 CVs. The black error bars represent the standard errors within the 10 CVs.

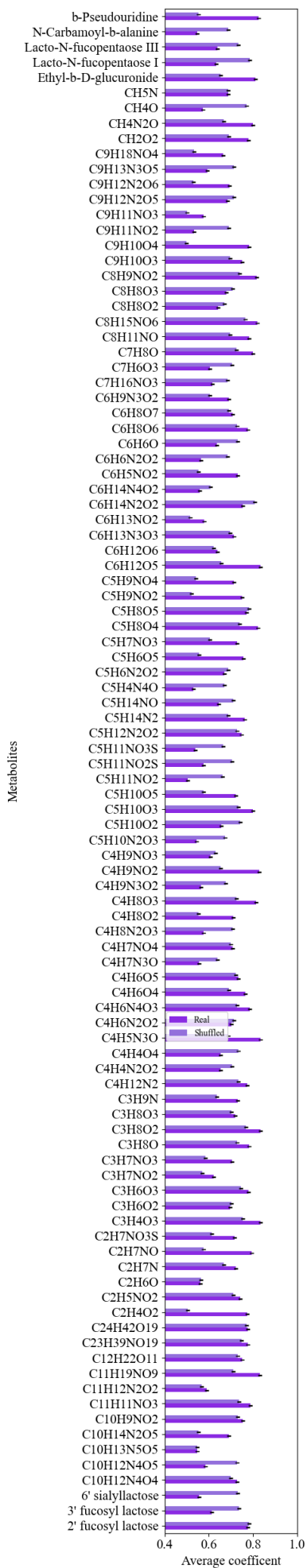


Figure 6: Average coefficients of each metabolite in the real dataset (dark bar) and in the shuffled one (light bar). The black error bars are for the standard errors.

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Table 1: Summary of current state-of-the-art methods

Model	Advantages	Disadvantages	Ref
PRMT	1. First framework. 2. Significant correlations between PRMT scores and relative abundances of selected environmental measurements.	1. Based on biological known networks. 2. Limited only to the KEGG database. 3. Performance is limited. 4. Not transferable (mixed datasets, between datasets).	[2]
MIMOSA	1. Gives information about the contribution of each taxon to the metabolites. 2. Succeed to predict relations in real and simulated datasets. 3. Freely available web server.	1. Based on biological known networks. 2. Limited only to the KEGG database. 3. Requires the original sequences data. 4. Performance is limited (worse than MelonnPan). 5. Not transferable (mixed datasets, between datasets).	[3, 4]
Mangosteen	1. Success in specific metabolites.	1. Based on biological known networks. 2. Limited only to the KEGG database. 3. Performance is limited (worse than MelonnPan and MIMOSA). 4. Not transferable (mixed datasets, between datasets).	[5]
MelonnPan	1. Best performance among existing state-of-the-arts. 2. Quite a good definition for well-predicted metabolites. 3. Independent from previous biological knowledge.	1. Long running times (run for each metabolite separately). 2. Cannot cope with all metabolites. 3. Sometimes returns the same prediction to all samples for specific metabolites. 4. Not transferable (mixed datasets, between datasets).	[6]
MiMeNet	1. Learning multiple metabolites simultaneously enables us to find relations between the metabolites. 2. They claim it is better than existing state-of-the-art methods (PRMT, MelonnPan, and SparseNED). 3. Independent from previous biological knowledge.	1. Long-running time. 2. Performance is limited in the external test within a dataset. 3. Not transferable (mixed datasets, between datasets).	[7]
SparseNED	1. Learning multiple metabolites simultaneously enables us to find relations between the metabolites. 2. Quite short running times. 3. Independent from previous biological knowledge.	1. Performance is limited within a dataset (worse than MelonnPan). 2. Not transferable (mixed datasets, between datasets).	[8]

Table 2: Datasets details

Dataset	Cohort description	16S or WGS	N (subjects)		N (samples)		Targeted / untargeted	Ref
			Case	Control	Case	Control		
Direct Plus	18-month randomized clinical trial, we assigned 294 participants with abdominal obesity/dyslipidemia into healthy dietary guidelines (HDG), MED and green-MED weight-loss diet groups, all accompanied by physical activity.	16S	NA	294	NA	784	Targeted	[9]
Kim	Patients with advanced colorectal adenomas, colorectal cancer, and controls.	16S	138	102	138	102	Untargeted	[10]
He	Infants over several time points during the 1st year of life, either breast-fed, formula-fed, or experimental formula fed.	16S	NA	80	NA	277	Targeted	[11]
Jacob	Inflammatory bowel disease patients and their first degree (healthy) relatives.	16S	36	54	36	54	Untargeted	[12]
Poyet	Longitudinal samples from healthy donors to the Broad Institute-OpenBiome Microbiome Library (BIO-ML).	16S	NA	83	NA	164	Untargeted	[13]
ERAWIJANTARI	Patients who underwent colonoscopy, half of which with a history of gastrectomy for gastric cancer and no signs of gastric cancer recurrence.	WGS	42	54	42	54	Targeted	[14]
FRANZOSA	Inflammatory bowel disease patients and controls (PRISM cohort + A validation cohort).	WGS	164	56	164	56	Untargeted	[15]
MARS	Longitudinal samples (over 6 months) from patients with Irritable Bowel Syndrome and controls.	WGS	51	24	305	139	Targeted	[16]
WANG	Adults with end-stage renal disease (ESRD) and controls.	WGS	220	67	220	67	Untargeted	[17]
YACHIDA	Patients who underwent colonoscopy, with findings from normal to stage 4 colorectal cancer.	WGS	220	127	220	127	Targeted	[18]

Table 3: LOCATE’s hyperparameters used

	BGU	He	Jacob	Kim	Poyet
Activation function	Tanh	elU	Tanh	Tanh	elU
Dropout	0.002	0.070	0.209	0.002	0.079
Weight decay	0.127	0.030	0.138	0.120	0.020
Learning rate	0.001	0.001	0.05	0.001	0.001
Number of neurons layer1	90	20	20	90	20
Number of neurons layer 2	80	10	30	80	10
Representation size	10	10	10	10	10
Optimizer	Adam	Adam	Adam	Adam	Adam
Max epochs	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000

Table 4: Metadata of each cohort

Dataset	Metadata used
Direct Plus	Diet, sex, height
He	Diet, age, sex
Jacob	Sex, age,pedigree
Poyet	Travel abroad last year, seasonal Pollen allergy, weight, height, BMI country birth, sex, relationship status, pet allergy, diet, age
Kim	Age, sex, race, smoking history
ERAWIJANTARI	Smoking status, lung cancer, drinking status, breast cancer, glucose, liver cancer, total cholesterol, diabetes med, analgesic, anticoagulant, gastric acid medication, high blood pressure, uterine cancer, sex, alcohol consumption, age
FRANZOSA	Age, antibiotic, immunosuppressant, mesalamine, steroids,
WANG	Age, BMI, Creatinine , Urea, eGFR, sex
MARS	Age, BMI, sex, antibiotics
YACHIDA	Age, sex, BMI, alcohol

Table 5: WGS 4 different clusters cross-datasets WGS

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Table 6: Acronym table

Acronym	Meaning
LOCATE	Latent Of miCrobiome And meTabolites rELations
ML	Machine Learning
SCFA	Short Chain Fatty Acids
T1D	Type 1 Diabetes
IBD	Inflammatory bowel disease
T2D	Type 2 Diabetes
DNN	Deep Neural Networks
CNN	Convolutional neural networks
PRMT	Predicted Relative Metabolomic Turnover
MIMOSA	Model-based Integration of Metabolite Observations and Species Abundance
MLPNN	multiple-layer perceptron neural network
WGS	whole genome shotgun sequencing
HDG	healthy dietary guidelines
MRS	magnetic resonance spectroscopy
DSC	deep subcutaneous
SSC	superficial subcutaneous
VAT	Visceral adipose tissue
CD	Crohn's disease
UC	Ulcerative colitis
ESRD	end-stage renal disease
NMF	Non Negative Matrix Factorization
NNI	Neural Network Intelligence
MSE	Mean Square Error
SCC	Spearman Correlation Coefficient
AUC	Area Under the ROC Curve
CCA	Canonical-Correlation Analysis
SVD	Singular value decomposition
CRC	Colorectal cancer

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