

# Methods and protocols from Goncalves et al. (2017) for manipulating the diet and the microbiome of Drosophila

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## Abstract

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