

**Table S1.** Effect of LcS on reaction time and ERP P300 latency in the auditory oddball task

Item		Time	Placebo	LcS	
Reaction time (ms)		AM	365.9 ± 24.2	349.2 ± 27.0	
		PM	381.6 ± 31.3	356.0 ± 31.9	
ERP P300 latency (ms)	Fz	AM	330.7 ± 8.0	323.4 ± 9.7	*
	Cz	AM	329.2 ± 9.3	321.3 ± 9.2	*
	Pz	AM	339.3 ± 8.5	324.9 ± 9.1	*

Reaction time and event-related potential (ERP) latency for the target stimulus in the auditory oddball task were measured during the last week of each 4-week placebo and Lacticaseibacillus paracasei strain Shirota (LcS) intervention period. Values are expressed as means ± standard error (Reaction time: n = 12, ERP P300 latency: n = 10). The Wilcoxon rank sum test was used for the comparison between treatments (\*,  $p < 0.050$ ). AM, morning; PM, afternoon.

**Table S2.** Correlation of the daytime perceived mood with the other indices during the pre-intervention period.

Time		Item		KSS	VAS				
					Sleepiness	Fatigue	Motivation	Attention	Optimism
AM	EEG	Task	Theta	-0.149	0.133	-0.007	-0.004	0.007	0.070
			Beta/alpha	-0.109	0.566	0.608 *	0.559	0.622 *	0.413
		Resting eyes-open	Theta	-0.260	0.144	0.049	0.025	0.039	0.210
			Beta/alpha	-0.056	0.587 *	0.636 *	0.566 *	0.622 *	0.469 *
		Resting eyes-closed	Theta	-0.179	-0.147	-0.245	-0.231	-0.196	-0.119
			Beta/alpha	-0.418	0.503	0.531	0.545	0.629 *	0.503
	HRV	Task	HR	-0.091	-0.028	-0.102	-0.137	-0.165	-0.151
			HF	-0.411	0.105	0.007	0.126	0.063	0.063
			LF/HF	0.077	0.175	0.252	0.098	0.189	0.259
		Resting eyes-open	HR	-0.095	-0.014	-0.084	-0.133	-0.154	-0.105
			HF	-0.186	-0.252	-0.294	-0.196	-0.224	-0.203
			LF/HF	0.354	-0.308	-0.196	-0.371	-0.308	-0.231
		Resting eyes-closed	HR	-0.168	0.042	0.007	-0.084	-0.028	-0.056
			HF	0.056	-0.399	-0.420	-0.406	-0.441	-0.336
			LF/HF	0.242	0.154	0.238	0.175	0.224	0.063
	JPSS		0.497	-0.760 **	-0.729 **	-0.718 **	-0.767 **	-0.676 **	
	PSQI		0.199	0.054	0.140	0.064	-0.054	0.097	
PM	EEG	Task	Theta	-0.074	0.021	0.077	0.280	0.123	0.070
			Beta/alpha	-0.346	0.622 *	0.685 *	0.476	0.490	0.531
		Resting eyes-open	Theta	-0.212	0.042	0.133	0.343	0.270	0.140
			Beta/alpha	-0.370	0.629 *	0.622 *	0.413	0.462	0.462
		Resting eyes-closed	Theta	-0.138	-0.098	0.007	0.245	0.144	0.035
			Beta/alpha	-0.374	0.503	0.671 *	0.608 *	0.687 *	0.615 *
	HRV	Task	HR	-0.233	-0.098	-0.077	-0.140	0.070	-0.140
			HF	0.360	-0.811 **	-0.706 *	-0.566	-0.483	-0.615 *
			LF/HF	-0.268	0.273	0.210	0.161	0.214	0.147
		Resting eyes-open	HR	-0.268	-0.021	0.035	-0.028	0.123	-0.049
			HF	0.247	-0.657 *	-0.601 *	-0.503	-0.410	-0.545
			LF/HF	-0.046	0.126	0.084	0.042	0.018	0.063
		Resting eyes-closed	HR	-0.346	0.021	0.007	-0.056	0.137	-0.098
			HF	0.367	-0.783**	-0.678 *	-0.559	-0.504	-0.587 *
			LF/HF	-0.200	-0.123	-0.070	-0.161	-0.037	-0.144
	JPSS		0.472	-0.837 ***	-0.753 **	-0.753 **	-0.732 **	-0.771 *	
	PSQI		0.211	-0.032	-0.129	-0.279	-0.280	-0.043	

Spearman's rank correlation coefficient ( $\rho$ ) was calculated to assess statistical associations between the daytime perceived mood and the other indices measured during the pre-intervention period ( $n = 12$ , \*  $p < 0.050$ , \*\*  $p < 0.010$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ ). AM, morning; EEG, electroencephalogram; HF, high-frequency components; HR, heart rate; HRV, heart rate variability; JPSS, Japanese Perceived Stress Score; KSS, Karolinska Sleepiness Scale; LF/HF, index of sympathetic nerve activity; PM, afternoon; PSQI, Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index; Task, auditory oddball task; VAS, visual analog scale.