

Figure S1. Baseline plasma characteristics in healthy vs. NEC-1 children. A) pH; B) enteral milk volume at day 7; C) hemoglobin (Hb); D) white blood cells (WBC); E) platelets; F) lactate; G) preterm premature rupture of the membranes. * $P < 0.05$, *** $P < 0.001$. Mann-Whitney. $N = 21$ for H and $N = 11$ for NEC-1.

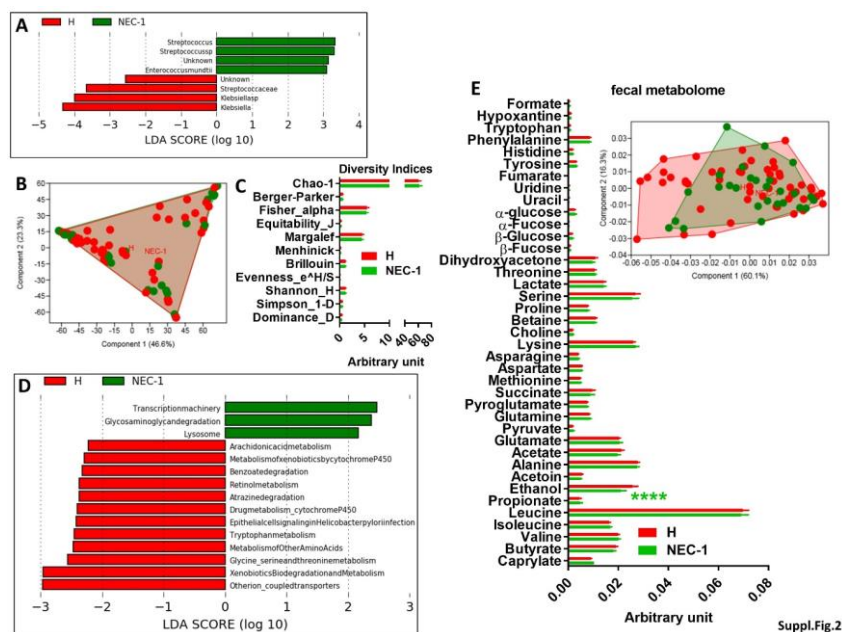


Figure S2. Analysis of gut microbiota, microbiome and metabolome during NEC-1 over the first two months of life. A) Gut microbiota analysis via LDA score between healthy (H) vs. NEC-1 children; B) PCA of the gut microbiota; C) Indices of gut microbiota diversity; D) LDA score for microbial pathways; E) histogram of the overall fecal metabolites and PCA as inset. **** $P < 0.0001$, two-way ANOVA followed by a two-stage linear step-up procedure of Benjamini, Krieger and Yekutieli to correct for multiple comparisons by controlling the False Discovery Rate (< 0.05); $N = 53$ for H and $N = 27$ for NEC-1.

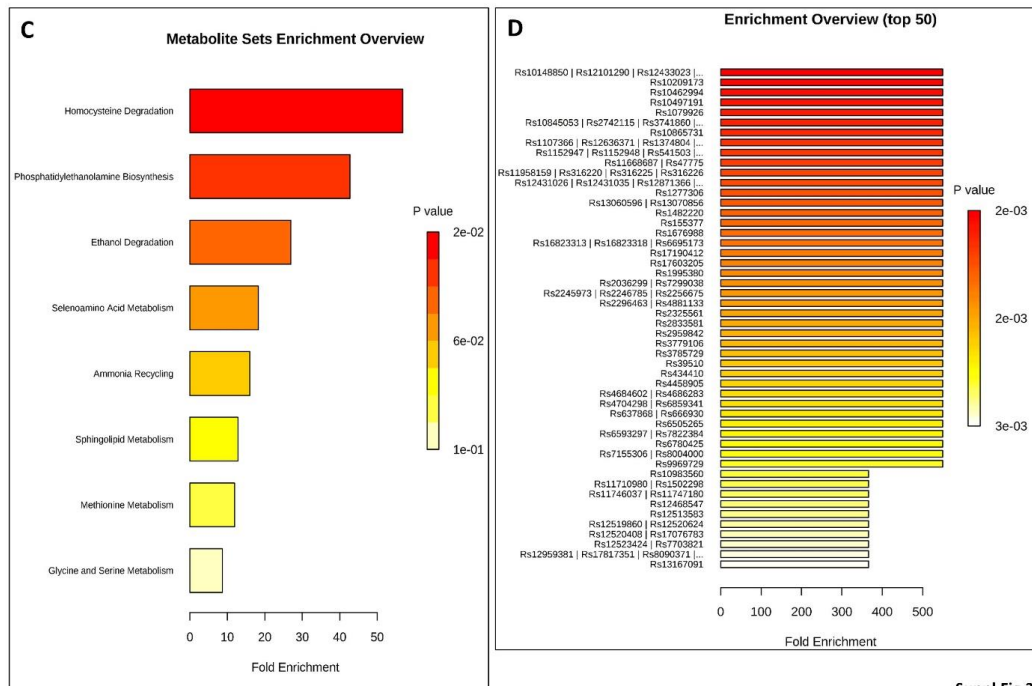
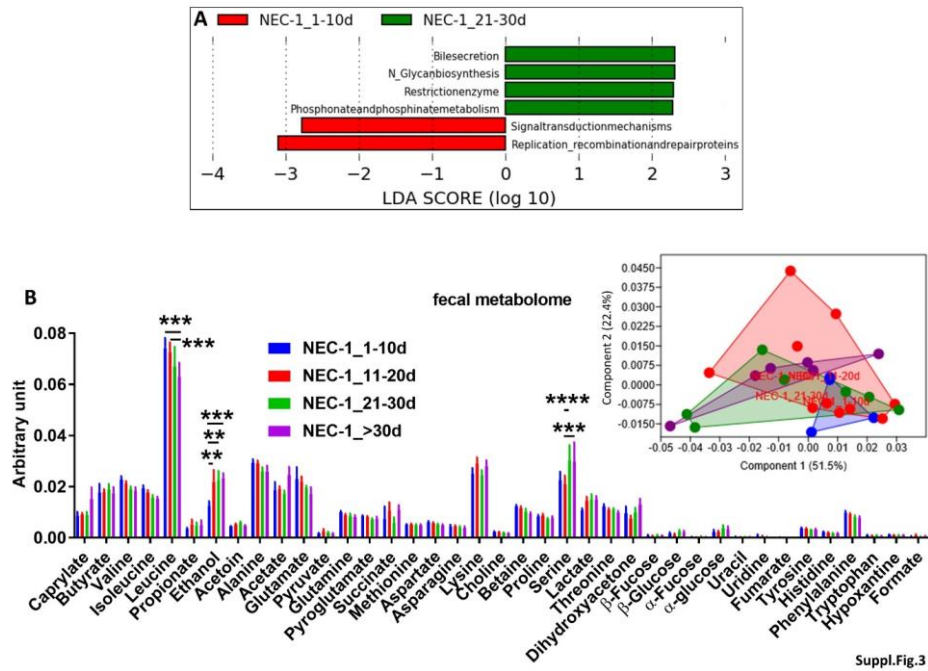


Figure S3. A specific microbiome and metabolome exist in healthy vs. NEC-1 children over the first two months of life. A) INTRA_NEC-1 LDA score for microbial pathways; B) histogram of the overall fecal metabolites and PCA as inset; C) INTRA_NEC-1 pathway-associated metabolite sets; D) INTRA_NEC-1 SNP-associated metabolite sets. ** $P < 0.05$, *** $P < 0.01$, **** $P < 0.0001$, two-way ANOVA followed by a two-stage linear step-up procedure of Benjamini, Krieger and Yekutieli to correct for multiple comparisons by controlling the False Discovery Rate (< 0.05).

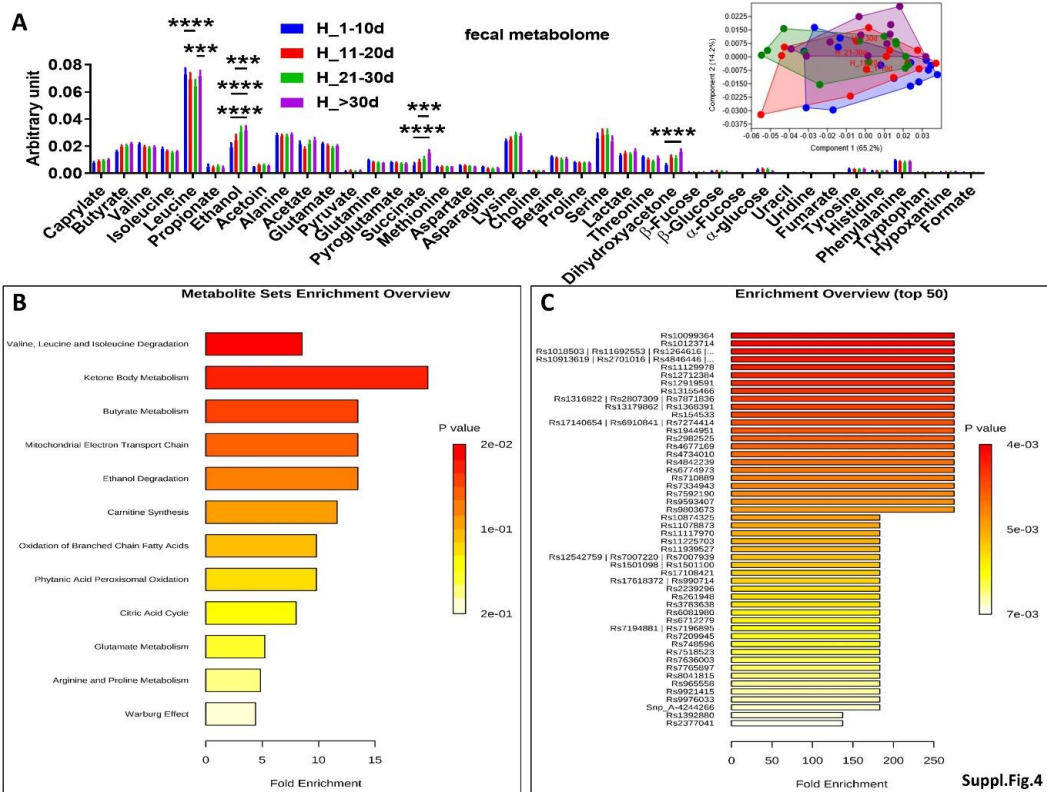


Figure S4. Fecal metabolome progression over the first two months of life in healthy children. A) histogram of the overall fecal metabolites and PCA as inset; B) INTRA_H pathway-associated metabolite sets; C) INTRA_H SNP-associated metabolite sets. *** $P < 0.01$, **** $P < 0.0001$, two-way ANOVA followed by a two-stage linear step-up procedure of Benjamini, Krieger and Yekutieli to correct for multiple comparisons by controlling the False Discovery Rate (< 0.05).

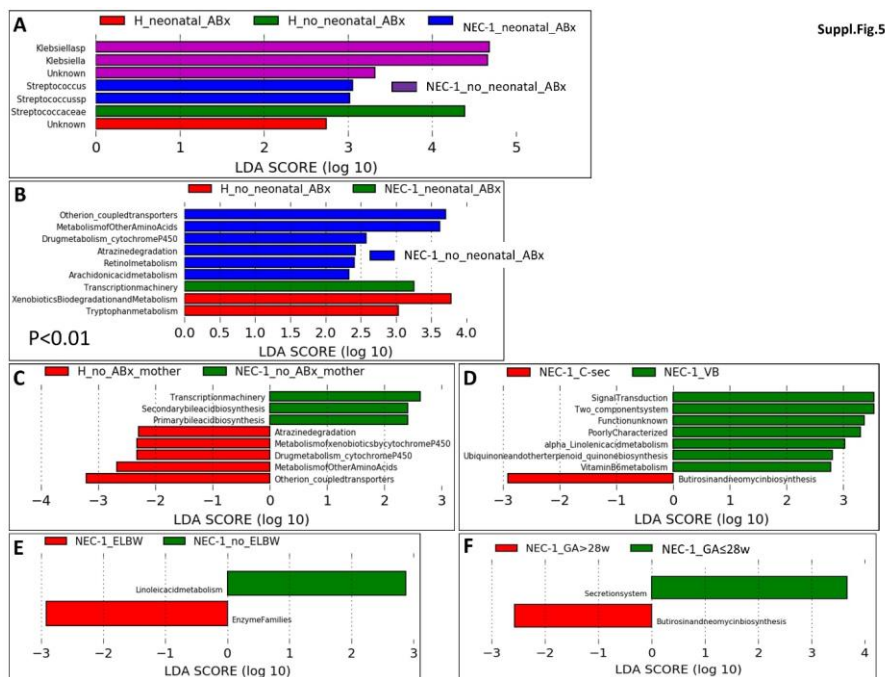
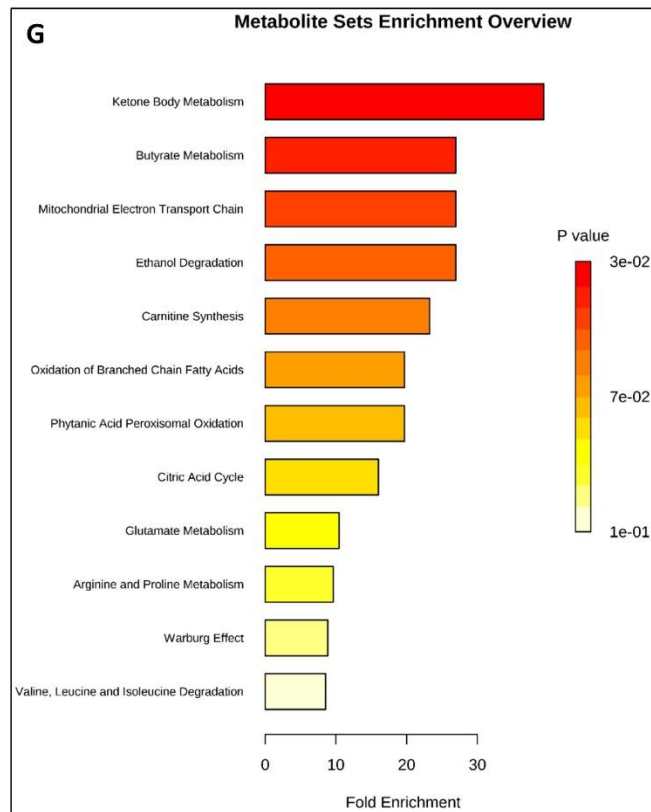
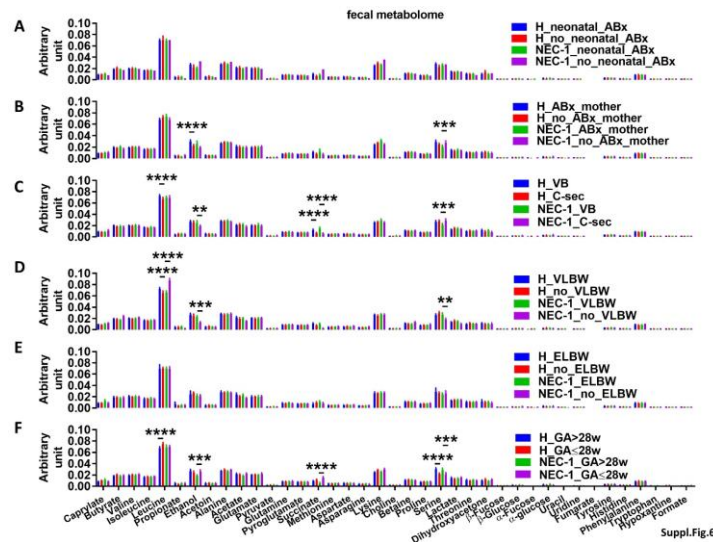


Figure S5. Maternal and child factors shaping gut microbiota and microbiome in healthy vs. NEC-1 children. Six factors were examined: neonatal antibiotics (ABx), ABx treatment on mother, C-section (C-sec) vs. vaginal birth (VB), very low birth weight (VLBW), extremely low birth weight (ELBW) and gestational age (GA) $>$ or \leq 28 weeks (28w); A) Gut microbiota analysis via LDA score; B) to F) microbiome analysis via LDA score. $P < 0.05$ or $P < 0.01$ as indicated (B).



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Figure S6. Maternal and child factors shaping fecal metabolome in healthy vs. NEC-1 children. Six factors were examined: neonatal antibiotics (ABx), ABx treatment on mother, C-section (C-sec) vs. vaginal birth (VB), very low birth weight (VLBW), extremely low birth weight (ELBW) and gestational age (GA) > or ≤ 28 weeks (28w). A) to F) histogram of the overall fecal metabolites. **P<0.05, ***P<0.01, ****P<0.0001, two-way ANOVA followed by a two-stage linear step-up procedure of Benjamini, Krieger and Yekutieli to correct for multiple comparisons by controlling the False Discovery Rate (<0.05). G) NEC-1_GA≤28w pathway-associated metabolite sets.