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“Why Is Bacterial Colonization Important to the Infant’s and Child’s Health?”

Learning objectives: After reading this review, the reader should be able to:

1. Understand the role of the microbiome as an intermediary between exposures (birth mode, nutrition, antibiotics) and future disease states.
2. Understand the role of breastfeeding and early infant nutrition in shaping the microbiome.
3. Appreciate and apply the concept of a “window of opportunity” as it pertains to the microbiome and how the microbiome shapes the immune system.
4. Recognize the advances but also current gaps in understanding for the application of microbial therapies (such as probiotics, helminths and FMT) for pediatric diseases.

"Liver biopsy in children: Position paper of the ESPGHAN Hepatology Committee"

Learning objectives

1. To critically overview the indications of liver biopsy in children
2. To assess the value of liver biopsy for primary diagnosis and for prognosis of pediatric liver diseases
3. To document complications of pediatric liver biopsy
4. To establish a checklist for pediatric liver biopsy

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