Supplementary Table 1—Clinical characteristics, autoantibodies, medication, and defecation in the studied sample

Variable	Healthy controls $(n = 29)$	Type 2 diabetes patients (n = 31)	LADA patients (n = 30)	Classic type 1 diabetes patients $(n = 29)$	P
RBC (×10 ¹² /L)	4.70 (4.30–4.98)	4.72 (4.46–4.98)	4.56 (4.35–4.90)	4.42 (4.21–4.85)	0.28
Hemoglobin (g/L)	144.00 (127.50–152.50)	144.00 (132.00–149.00)	136.50 (126.00–149.00)	135.00 (124.50–146.50)	0.547
WBC ($\times 10^9/L$)	5.70 (4.68–6.40) ^{a,c}	$7.00(5.47-7.85)^{b}$	5.01 (4.41–6.47) ^a	6.36 (5.24–7.59) ^{b,c}	0.004
ALT (U/L)	16.80 (12.80–21.60)	19.00 (14.10–30.10)	17.00 (13.25–20.55)	15.85 (12.33–21.73)	0.300
AST (U/L)	21.15 (17.28–23.55)	19.20 (15.50–22.70)	17.80 (15.25–22.40)	18.60 (15.20–24.30)	0.469
GGT (U/L)	17.05 (13.03-21.00) ^a	23.40 (15.30–39.70) ^b	15.70 (12.30–21.40) ^a	15.20 (10.63–21.80)a	0.009
Creatinine (µmol/L)	60.00 (52.00–69.50) ^a	56.00 (44.00–60.00) ^b	54.00 (44.88–61.25) ^b	49.00 (42.00-59.50) ^b	0.007
Uric acid (µmol/L)	306.50 (263.50–385.75) ^a	279.00 (224.00–370.00) ^{a,c}	221.00 (175.00-7-272.50) ^b	263.00 (203.50–315.00) ^{b,c}	0.001
Autoantibodies					
GADA positive (%)	$0 (0)^{a}$	$0 (0)^{a}$	30 (100) ^b	18 (62.07) ^c	< 0.001
IA-2A positive (%)	$0 (0)^{a}$	$0 (0)^{a}$	13 (43.33) ^b	7 (24.14) ^b	< 0.001
Zn-T8 positive (%)	$0 (0)^{a}$	$0 (0)^{a}$	5 (16.67) ^b	5 (17.24) ^b	0.003
Medication					
1. Insulin (%)	$0 (0)^{a}$	26 (83.87) ^b	27 (90.00) ^{b,c}	29 (100) ^c	< 0.001
2. Acarbose (%)	0 (0)	6 (19.35)	3 (10.00)	3 (10.34)	0.080
3. Metformin (%)	$0 (0)^a$	5 (16.13) ^a	10 (33.33) ^b	1 (3.45 ^{)a,b}	< 0.001
4. DDP4 inhibitors (%)	$0(0)^{a}$	5 (16.13) ^b	5 (16.67) ^b	$0(0)^{a}$	0.033
5. Aspirin (%)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (3.45)	0.487
6. Lipid-lowering agents (%)	0 (0)	4 (12.90)	2 (6.67)	2 (6.90)	0.267
7. Hypotensor (%)	0 (0)	5 (16.13)	2 (6.67)	2 (6.90)	0.132
8. Levothyroxine (Euthyrox) (%)	0 (0)	0 (0)	3 (10.00)	0 (0)	0.041
Defecation consistency (the Bristol stool form scale)					
Type 1-Separate, hard lumps (%)	0 (0)	2 (6.45)	1 (3.33)	2 (6.90)	0.717
Type 2–Lumpy, sausage-shaped (%)	1 (3.45)	6 (19.35)	2 (6.67)	3 (10.34)	0.271

Type 3–Sausage-shaped with cracks (%)	2 (6.90)	2 (6.45)	7 (23.33)	3 (10.34)	0.253
Type 4–Smooth and soft (%)	19 (65.52)	15 (48.39)	13 (43.33)	16 (55.17)	0.073
Type 5–Soft and edges (%)	2 (6.90)	4 (12.90)	4 (13.33)	1 (3.45)	0.579
Type 6–Mushy with ragged edges (%)	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (6.67)	1 (3.45)	0.504
Type 7–Liquid (%)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (3.45)	0.468

LADA, latent autoimmune diabetes in adults; RBC, red blood cells; WBC, white blood cells; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; GGT, gamma-glutamyl transferase; GADA, GAD antibody; IA-2A, insulinoma-associated protein-2 antibody; Zn-T8, zinc transporter-8; DDP4 inhibitors, dipeptidyl peptidase 4 inhibitors. Data are % (n) and median (25th–75th percentile). Superscript symbols (a, b, c) next to values in a row indicate that the medians of the different groups are significantly different (*P*<0.05)

Supplementary Table 2—Clinical characteristics, autoantibodies, medication, and defecation

Variable	LADA patients (n = 30)	T1D-A patients (n = 18)	T1D-B patients (n = 11)	P
Male/Female	10/20	10/8	8/3	
Age (years)	36.5 (30.5–45)	34 (30–46.25)	39 (31–49)	0.637
Duration of diabetes (months)	24 (2.5–36) ^a	36 (15.5-84) ^b	84 (1–120) ^b	0.026
BMI (kg/m^2)	20.48 (18.31-22.29) ^a	21.24 (19.93–22.39) ^{a,b}	22.67 (22.43–23.43) ^b	0.025
WHR	0.88 (0.82-0.94)	0.88 (0.84-0.94)	0.90 (0.86-0.93)	0.879
SBP (mmHg)	110.5 (106–125.25)	116 (108.75–127)	121 (116–133)	0.237
DBP (mmHg)	73 (64–80.5)	76.5 (69.5–81)	80 (70–84)	0.396
HbA1c (%)	9.10 (7.08–11.80)	8.85 (6.80–9.78)	7.60 (6.50–8.90)	0.176
HbA1c (mmol/mol)	76 (54–105)	73 (51–83)	60 (48–74)	0.176
FPG (mmol/L)	6.90 (6.00-8.15)	6.40 (4.80–8.20)	11.20 (6.90–11.42)	0.115
OGTT-2h PG (mmol/L)	19.65 (16.68–23.42)	22.30 (18.70–24.70)	21.40 (19.18–25.79)	0.289
FCP (ng/mL)	0.375 (0.255–0.496) ^a	0 (0-0.11) ^b	0 (0-0.01) ^b	< 0.001
OGTT-2h PC (ng/mL)	1.12 (0.62–1.46) ^a	0.21 (0-0.34) ^b	0 (0-0.01) ^b	< 0.001
AUC Glucose	50.59 (37.25–58.35)	55.70 (49.66–69.90)	52.97 (45.21–71.78)	0.240
AUC C-Peptide	173.20 (109.20–220.80) ^a	35.31 (0-48.83) ^b	0 (0–1.05) ^b	< 0.001
TC (mg/dL)	4.34 (3.87–5.27)	4.59 (4.09–5.57)	4.37 (3.98–5.20)	0.762
TG (mg/dL)	0.91 (0.62–1.43)	0.89 (0.62–1.32)	1.20 (0.87–1.66)	0.222
HDL-c (mg/dL)	1.33 (1.10–1.62)	1.43 (1.06–1.78)	1.18 (1.06–1.35)	0.430
LDL-c (mg/dL)	2.33 (1.85–3.04)	2.40 (1.98–2.82)	2.33 (2.07–2.92)	0.899

Inflammatory markers				
TNF- α (pg/mL)	5.44 (4.60–9.74)	5.01 (4.30–6.48)	6.05 (4.16–6.74)	0.628
IL-6 (pg/mL)	1.61 (1.25–2.74)	1.43 (1.16–2.81)	2.08 (1.25–3.78)	0.715
IL-10 (pg/mL)	1.26 (1.11-2.05)	1.32 (1.24–1.66)	1.53 (1.23-1.76)	0.682
IL-1 β (pg/mL)	2.67 (2.03–2.97)	2.48 (2.03–3.18)	2.47 (2.08–3.28)	0.914
LBP (ng/mL)	34.73 (29.48–39.89) ^a	31.73 (27.81–35.87) ^{a,b}	27.36 (25.89–31.01) ^b	0.009
Other biochemical tests				
RBC ($\times 10^{12}/L$)	4.56 (4.35–4.90)	4.48 (4.36–4.93)	4.36 (4.12–4.80)	0.276
Hemoglobin (g/L)	136.50 (126.00–149.00)	137.50 (129.00–147.00)	128.00 (118.00–147.00)	0.444
WBC (×10 ⁹ /L)	5.01 (4.41–6.47) ^a	6.43(5.20-7.69) ^b	5.56(5.19-7.70) ^{a,b}	0.038
ALT (U/L)	17.00 (13.25–20.55)	14.45 (12.57–21.00)	17.60 (10.35–25.17)	0.64
AST (U/L)	17.85 (15.60–22.80)	19.25 (15.42–24.55)	17.00 (14.80–24.20)	0.885
GGT (U/L)	15.70 (12.30–21.40)	14.90 (10.68–19.55)	16.15 (9.95–34.88)	0.708
Creatinine (mmol/L)	54.00 (44.88–61.25)	48.00 (41.50–56.25)	49.00 (42.00–66.00)	0.647
Uric acid (µmol/L)	221.00 (175.00–272.50)a	224.50 (193.50-275.25) ^a	311.00 (263.00–326.00) ^b	0.027
Autoantibodies				
GADA positive (%)	30 (100) ^a	18 (100) ^a	$0 (0)^{b}$	< 0.001
IA-2A positive (%)	13 (43.33) ^a	7 (38.89) ^a	$0 (0)^{b}$	0.032
Zn-T8 positive (%)	5 (16.67)	5 (27.78)	0 (0)	0.159
Medication				
1. Insulin (%)	27 (90.00)	18 (100)	11 (100)	0.399
2. Acarbose (%)	3 (10.00)	2 (11.11)	1 (9.09)	0.896

3. Metformin (%)	10 (33.33)	1 (5.56)	0 (0)	0.081
4. DDP4 inhibitors (%)	5 (16.67)	1 (5.56)	0 (0)	0.22
5. Aspirin (%)	0 (0)	1 (5.56)	0 (0)	
6. Lipid-lowering agents (%)	2 (6.67)	2 (11.11)	0 (0)	
7. Hypotensor (%)	2 (6.67)	2 (11.11)	0 (0)	
8. Levothyroxine (Euthyrox) (%)	3 (10.00)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Defecation consistency (the Bristol stool form scale)				
Type 1 Separate, hard lumps (%)	1 (3.33)	1 (5.56)	1 (9.09)	0.476
Type 2 Lumpy, sausage-shaped (%)	2 (6.67)	3 (16.67)	0 (0)	0.279
Type 3 Sausage-shaped with cracks (%)	7 (23.33)	3 (16.67)	0 (0)	0.107
Type 4 Smooth and soft (%)	13 (43.33)	9 (50)	7 (63.64)	0.208
Type 5 Soft and edges (%)	4 (13.33)	1 (5.56)	0 (0)	0.279
Type 6 Mushy with ragged edges (%)	2 (6.67)	0 (0)	1 (9.09)	0.476
Type 7 Liquid (%)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (9.09)	0.032

LADA, latent autoimmune diabetes in adults; T1D-A, type 1 diabetes-A (GADA positive); T1DB, type 1 diabetes-B (GADA negative). WHR, waist-hip ratio; SBP, systolic blood pressure; DBP, diastolic blood pressure; OGTT, oral glucose tolerance test; OGTT 2h PG, OGTT 2h postprandial glucose; FCP, fasting C-peptide; OGTT 2h CP, OGTT 2h postprandial c-peptide; AUC _{Glucose}, areas under the receiver operating characteristic curves for glucose during OGTT; AUC _{C-peptide}, areas under the receiver operating characteristic curves for C-peptide during

OGTT; TC, total cholesterol; TG, triglyceride; HDL-c, high-density lipoprotein; LDL-c, low-density lipoprotein; IL, interleukin; TNF- a, tumor necrosis factor- a; LBP, lipopolysaccharide-binding protein; RBC, red blood cells; WBC, white blood cells; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; GGT, gamma-glutamyl transferase; GADA, GAD antibodies; IA-2A, insulinoma-associated protein-2 antibody; Zn-T8, zinc transporter-8; DDP4 inhibitors, dipeptidyl peptidase 4 inhibitors. Data are % (n) and median (25th–75th percentile). Different superscript symbols (a, b) next to values in a row indicate that the means of the different groups are significantly different (P<0.05).

Supplementary Table 3—Clinical characteristics, autoantibodies, medication, and defecation

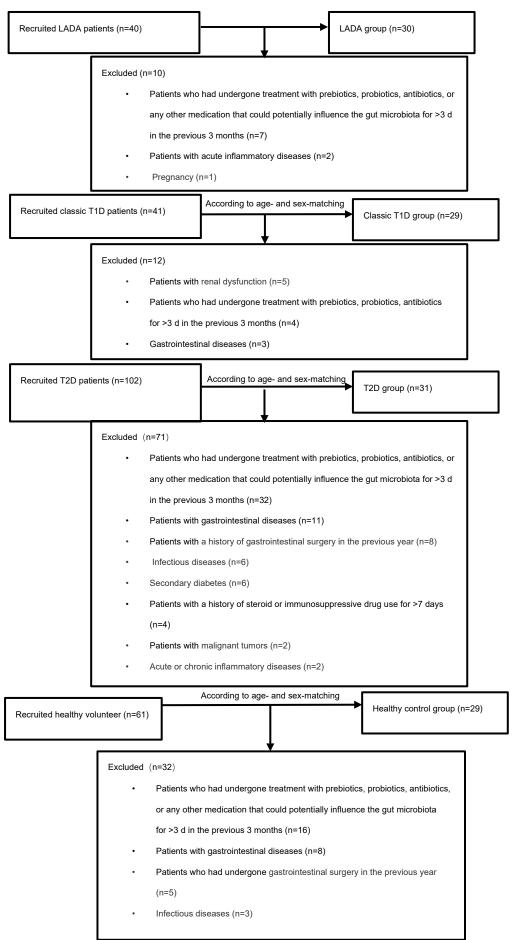
Variable	GAD-P patients (n=48)	GAD-N patients (n=11)	T2D patients (n=31)	Healthy controls (n=29)	P
Male/Female Age (years)	20/28 35 (31-45)	8/3 39 (31-49)	11/20 39 (31-48)	11/18 34 (28.5-52.5)	0.897
Duration of diabetes (months)	24 (4.5-48)	84 (1-120)	36 (12-84)	() ()	0.18
BMI (kg/m²)	20.74 (18.38-22.20) ^a	22.67 (22.43-23.43) ^{a,b}	23.51 (21.22-25.40) ^b	22.14 (19.99-24.41) ^{a,b}	< 0.001
WHR	0.88 (0.83-0.93)	0.90 (0.86-0.93)	0.92 (0.87-0.94)	0.86 (0.83-0.92)	0.235
SBP (mmHg)	114 (106-125.75)	121 (116-133)	120 (110-130)	112 (106-120.5)	0.122
$DBP\left(mmHg\right)$	75 (66.25-80)	80 (70-84)	76 (72-80)	71 (65-77)	0.105
HbA1c (%)	8.95 (7.03-10.78) ^a	7.60 (6.50-8.90) ^a	9.00 (7.00-10.06) ^a	5.30 (5.20-5.50) ^b	< 0.001
HbA1c (mmol/mol)	74 (53-94) ^a	60 (48-74) ^a	75 (53-86) ^a	34 (33-37) ^b	< 0.001
FPG (mmol/L)	6.80 (5.70-8.15) ^a	11.20 (6.90-11.42) ^a	7.15 (6.28-10.25) ^a	4.85 (4.43-5.28) ^b	< 0.001
OGTT-2h PG (mmol/L)	21.56 (16.90-23.70 ^a	21.40 (19.18-25.79) ^a	17.10 (13.75-19.33) ^a	6.15 (5.50-6.90) ^b	< 0.001
FCP (ng/mL)	0.25 (0.08-0.47) ^a	0 (0-0.01) ^a	0.78 (0.50-1.26) ^b	1.08 (0.86-1.36) ^b	< 0.001
OGTT-2h PC (ng/mL)	0.64 (0.32-1.32) ^a	0 (0-0.01) ^a	2.99 (2.10-4.70) ^b	5.58 (4.11-7.73) ^b	< 0.001
AUC Glucose	52.93 (43.70-59.00) ^a	52.97 (45.21-71.78) ^a	44.82 (40.79-49.76) ^a	20.68 (19.60-21.91) ^b	< 0.001

105 (41.33-199.28) ^a	0 (0-1.05) ^a	426.85 (287.28- 597.63) ^b	875.90 (743.70-1112.50)°	< 0.001
4.46 (4.04-5.40)	4.37 (3.98-5.20)	4.90 (3.68-5.33)	4.57 (4.12-4.89)	0.723
0.89 (0.62-1.39) ^a	1.20 (0.87-1.66) ^{a,b}	1.35 (0.97-2.12) ^b	1.08 (0.89-1.21) ^{a,b}	0.015
1.38 (1.09-1.65) ^a	1.18 (1.06-1.35) ^{a,b}	1.15 (0.94-1.27) ^b	1.36 (1.26-1.56) ^a	0.002
2.37 (1.94-2.86)	2.33 (2.07-2.92)	2.99 (2.16-3.27)	2.56 (2.38-2.78)	0.185
5.41 (4.48-6.49) ^a	6.05 (4.16-6.74) ^{a,b}	5.60 (5.16-6.28) ^a	4.49 (4.06-5.09) ^b	0.002
1.55 (1.19-2.69) ^a	2.08 (1.25-3.78) ^a	2.69 (1.55-5.68) ^a	1.09 (0.92-1.27) ^b	< 0.001
1.26 (1.11-2.05) ^a	1.32 (1.03-1.48) a,b	1.44 (1.21-1.66) ^{a,b}	1.63 (1.24-1.84) ^b	0.007
2.64 (2.03-2.97) ^{a,b}	2.47 (2.08-3.28) ^{a,b}	3.03 (2.47-3.77) ^a	2.19 (2.03-2.64) ^b	< 0.001
33.41 (28.73-38.02) ^a	27.36 (25.89-31.01) ^{a,b}	32.91 (29.41-36.50) ^a	26.35 (23.58-29.24) ^b	< 0.001
4.52 (4.37-4.89)	4.36 (4.12-4.80)	4.72 (4.46-4.98)	4.70 (4.30-4.98)	0.207
136.50 (127.25-149)	128 (118-147)	144 (132-149)	144 (127.5-152.5)	0.356
5.60 (4.64-6.82)	5.56 (5.19-7.70)	7.00 (5.47-7.85)	5.70 (4.68-6.40)	0.053
16.70 (12.70-20.10)	17.60 (10.35-25.17)	19.00 (14.10-30.01)	16.8 (12.8-21.6)	0.320
18.25 (15.48-23.15)	17.00 (14.80-24.20)	19.20 (15.50-22.70)	21.15 (17.28-23.55)	0.449
15.40 (11.10-21.20) ^a	16.15 (9.95-34.88) ^{a,b}	23.40 (15.30-39.70) ^b	17.05 (13.03-21.00) ^{a,b}	0.007
51 (44.12-60.75) ^a	49 (42-66) ^{a,b}	56 (44-58) ^{a,b}	60 (52-69.5) ^b	0.009
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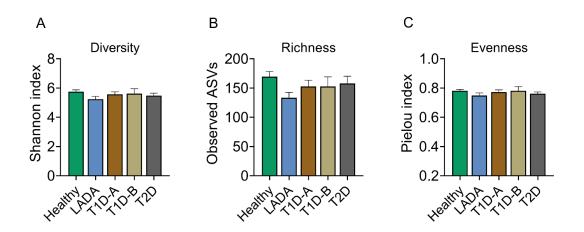
Uric Acid (µmol/L)	224 (177-275) ^a	311 (263-326) ^{a,b}	279 (224-370) ^{a,b}	306.5 (263.5-385.75) ^b	< 0.001
Autoantibodies					
GADA positive (%)	48 (100) ^a	0 (0) ^b	$0 (0)^{b}$	$0 (0)^{b}$	< 0.001
IA-2A positive (%)	20 (41.67)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Zn-T8 positive (%)	10 (20.83)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Medication					
1. Insulin (%) 2. Acarbose (%) 3. Metformin (%) 4. DDP4 inhibitors (%)	45 (93.75) 5 (10.42) 11 (22.92) 6 (12.50)	11 (100) 1 (9.09) 0 (0) 0 (0)	26 (83.87) 6 (19.35) 5 (16.13) 5 (16.13)	0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0) 0 (0)	
5. Aspirin (%)	1 (2.08)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
6. Lipid-lowering agents (%)	4 (8.33)	0 (0)	4 (12.90)	0 (0)	
7. Hypotensor (%)	4 (8.33)	0 (0)	5 (16.13)	0 (0)	
8. Levothyroxine (Euthyrox) (%) Defecation consistency (The Bristol Stool Form Scale)	3 (6.25)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Type 1 Separate, hard lumps (%)	2 (4.16)	1 (9.09)	2 (6.45)	0 (0)	
Type 2 Lumpy, sausage-shaped (%)	5 (10.42)	0 (0)	6 (19.35)	1 (3.45)	/
Type 3 Sausage-shaped with crack (%)	10 (20.83)	0 (0)	2 (6.45)	2 (6.90)	/

Type 4 Smooth and soft (%)	22 (45.83)	7 (63.64)	15 (48.39)	19 (65.52)
Type 5 Soft and edges (%)	5 (10.42)	0 (0)	4 (12.90)	2 (6.90)
Type 6 Mushy with ragged edges (%)	2 (4.16)	1 (9.09)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Type 7 Liquid (%)	0 (0)	1 (9.09)	0 (0)	0 (0)

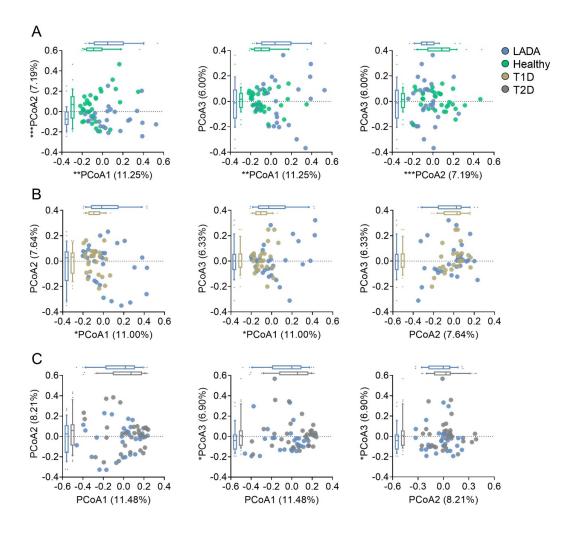
LADA, latent autoimmune diabetes in adults; T1D-A, GADA-P (GADA-positive); GADA-P (GADA-negative); T2D, type 2 diabetes; WHR, waist-hip ratio; SBP, systolic blood pressure; DBP, diastolic blood pressure; OGTT, oral glucose tolerance test; OGTT 2h PG, OGTT 2h postprandial glucose; FCP, fasting C-peptide; OGTT 2h CP, OGTT 2h postprandial c-peptide; AUC _{Glucose}, areas under the receiver operating characteristic curves for glucose during OGTT; AUC _{C-peptide}, areas under the receiver operating characteristic curves for C-peptide during OGTT; TC, total cholesterol; TG, triglyceride; HDL-c, high-density lipoprotein; LDL-c, low-density lipoprotein; IL, interleukin; TNF- a, tumor necrosis factor- a; LBP, lipopolysaccharide-binding protein; RBC, red blood cells; WBC, white blood cells; ALT, alanine aminotransferase; AST, aspartate aminotransferase; GGT, gamma-glutamyl transferase; GADA, GAD antibodies; IA-2A, insulinoma-associated protein-2 antibody; Zn-T8, zinc transporter-8; DDP4 inhibitors, dipeptidyl peptidase 4 inhibitors. Data are % (n) and median (25th–75th percentile). Different superscript symbols (a, b, c) next to values in a row indicate that the means of the different groups are significantly different (P<0.05).



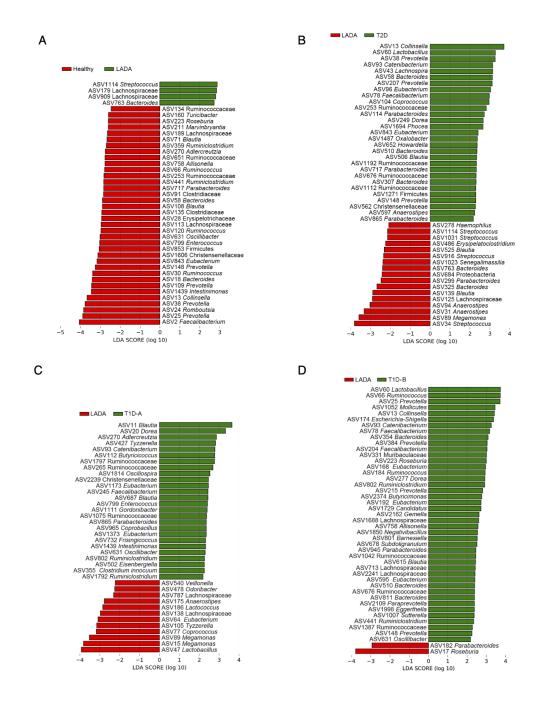
Supplementary Diagram 1—Schematic diagram of patients included and excluded. LALA, latent autoimmune diabetes in adults; T1D, type 1 diabetes; T2D, type 2 diabetes.



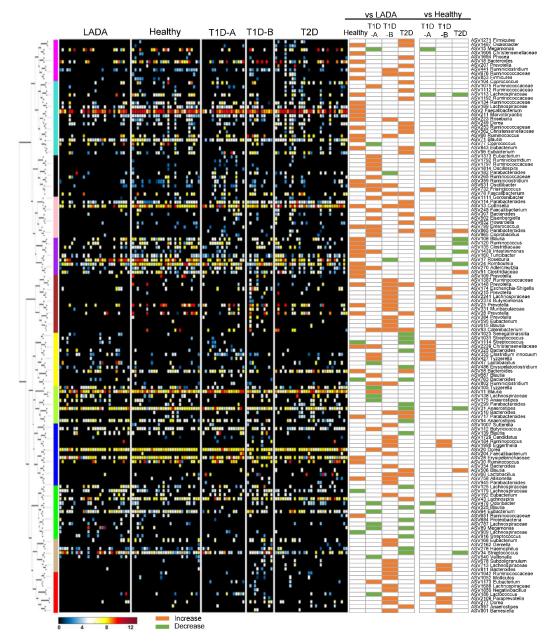
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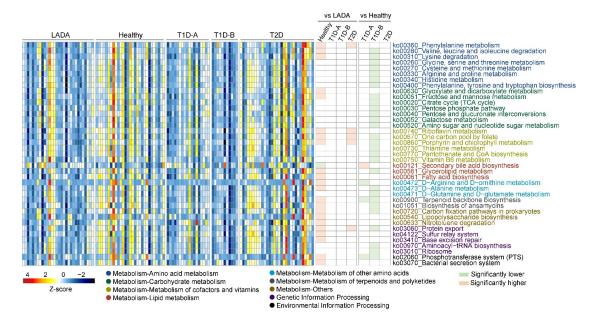
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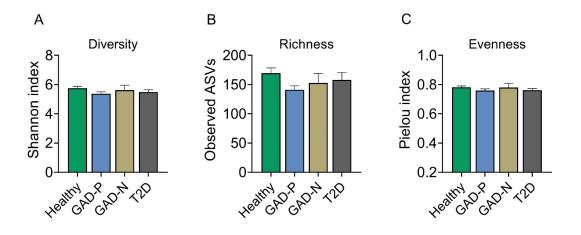
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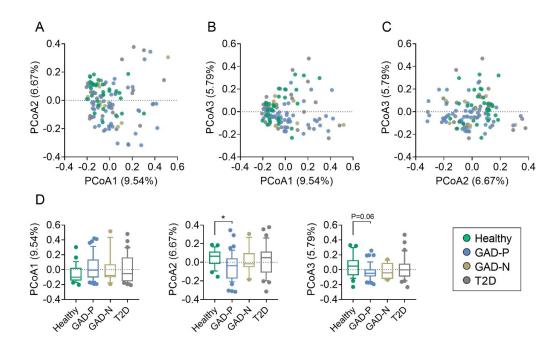
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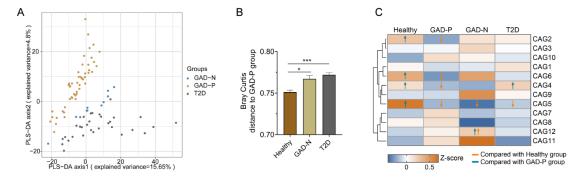
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Supplementary Figure 6—Comparison of α -diversity (A, Diversity; B, Richness and C, Evenness) between the healthy subjects, GADA-positive (GADA-P), GADA-negative (GADA-N), and type 2 diabetes (T2D) groups. Comparisons were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's post-hoc analysis, for significant differences, the *P*-value was controlled at 0.05.

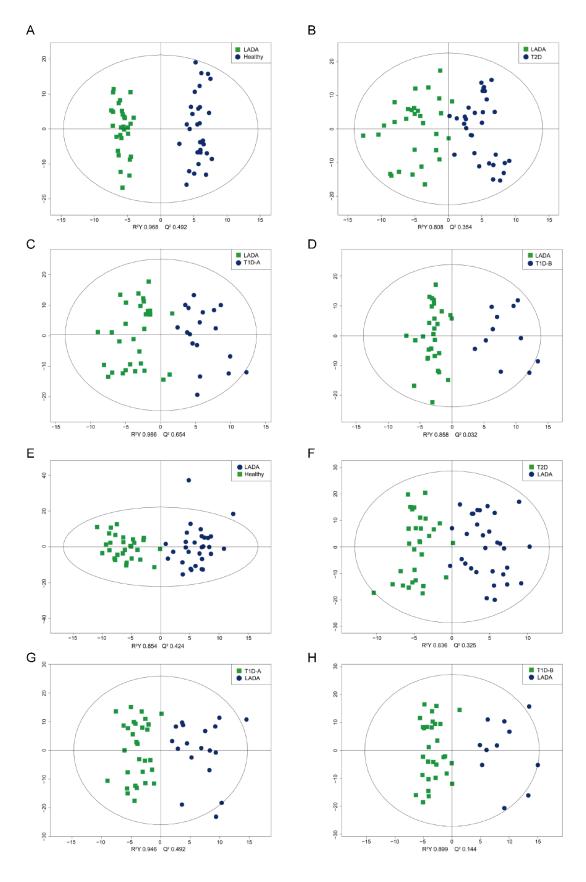


Supplementary Figure 7—Comparison of the gut microbiota between healthy, GADA-positive (GADA-P), GADA-negative (GADA-N), and type 2 diabetes (T2D) groups. Principal coordinates analysis (PCoA) of the four groups on the first three principle coordinates was performed based on the Bray Curtis distance. Comparisons were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's post-hoc analysis, for significant differences, the *P<0.05.



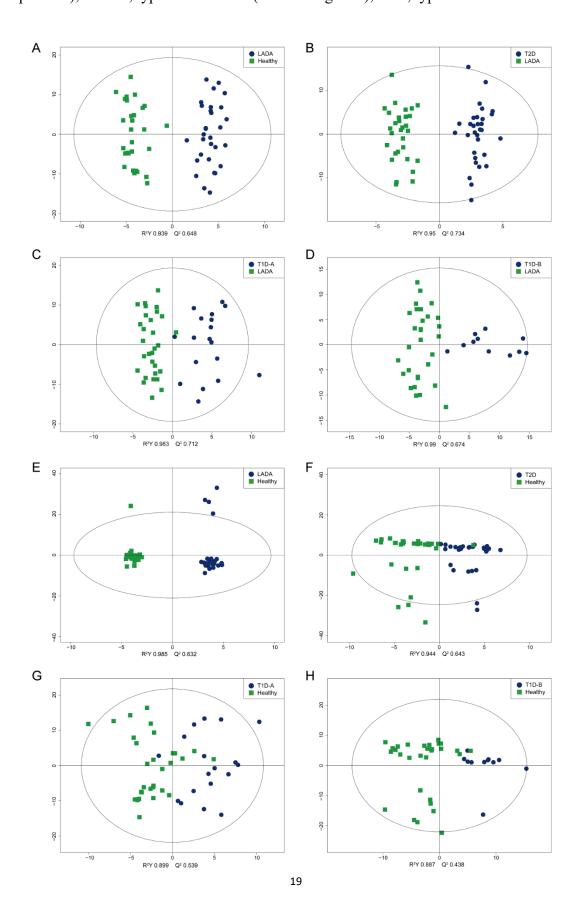
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at 0.05) were marked with arrows, upward-facing arrow represents significantly higher values compared to those in the corresponding group, and downward-facing arrow represents significantly lower values compared to those in the corresponding group.

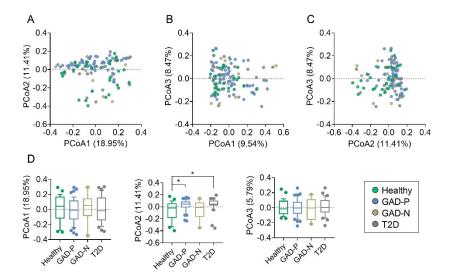


Supplementary Figure 9—Orthogonal projection to latent structure-discriminant analysis (OPLS-DA) score plots of fecal metabolites. (A–D) Comparisons in the

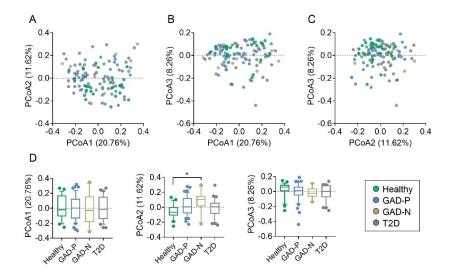
negative ion mode. (E–H) Comparisons under the positive ionic mode. Abbreviations: LADA, latent autoimmune diabetes in adults; T1D-A, type 1 diabetes-A (GADA-positive); T1D-B, type 1 diabetes-B (GADA-negative); T2D, type 2 diabetes.



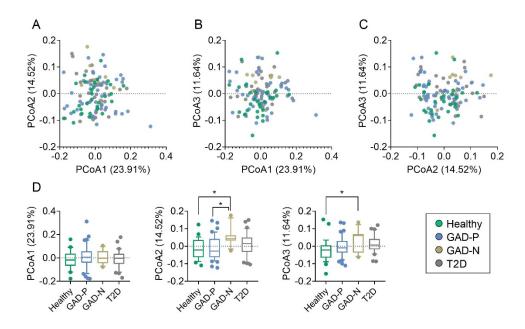
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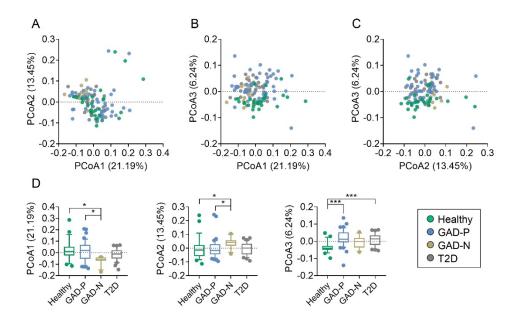
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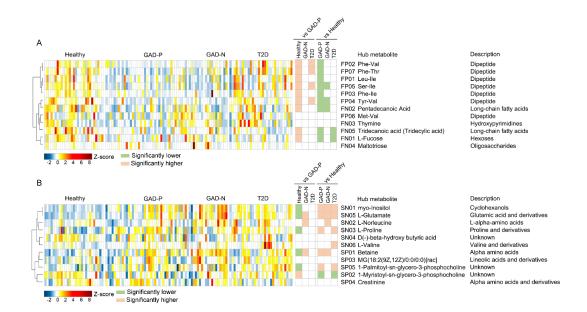
Supplementary Figure 12—Comparison of the fecal metabolites detected in the positive ion mode between healthy, GADA-positive (GADA-P), GADA-negative (GADA-N), and type 2 diabetes (T2D) groups. Comarisons were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's multiple comparions test; for significant differences,



Supplementary Figure 13—Comparison of the serum metabolites detected in the negative ion mode between healthy, GADA-positive (GADA-P), GADA-negative (GADA-N), and type 2 diabetes (T2D) groups. Comarisons were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's multiple comparions test; for significant differences, the *P*-value was controlled at 0.05.



Supplementary Figure 14—Comparison of the serum metabolites detected in the negative ion mode between healthy, GADA-positive (GADA-P), GADA-negative (GADA-N), and type 2 diabetes (T2D) groups. Comarisons were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's multiple comparions test; for significant differences,



Supplementary Figure 15—Comparison of the major fecal and serun modules among healthy, GADA-positive (GADA-P), GADA-negative (GADA-N), and type 2 diabetes (T2D) groups. A, Distribution of the 12 fecal metabolite modules among the five groups. The abundance profiles were transformed into Z scores by subtracting the average abundance anding dividing the standard deviations of all the samples. The Z score was negative (shown in blue) when the row abundance was lower than the mean. Comarisons among the abundance of each module among 5 groups were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's multiple comparions test; significant differences had a *P*-value was controlled at 0.05. B, Distribution of the 11 serum metabolite modules among the five groups. The abundance profiles were transformed into Z scores by subtracting the average abundance anding dividing the standard deviations of all the samples. The Z score was negative (shown in blue) when the row abundance was lower than the mean. Comarisons among the abundance of each module among 5 groups were performed using the Kruskal-Wallis test with Dunn's multiple comparions test; significant differences had a *P*-value was controlled at 0.05.