## ADVANCED FORMULA -**TO REBALANCE A COMPROMISED MICROBIOTA**

Infants born by C-section birth and/or exposed to antibiotics in early life might have an **increased risk of childhood infections** and **non-communicable** diseases, like asthma, obesity and type 2 diabetes later in life.<sup>1-9</sup>

- Infants born by C-section have a delayed colonization, especially by Bifidobacterium and Bacteroides.<sup>12-21</sup>
- The same delayed colonization by *Bifidobacterium* has been observed in infants born vaginally but shortly exposed to antibiotics during or after birth.<sup>22,23</sup>
- This delayed colonization, resulting in a compromised microbiota, can last several weeks after birth, up to 1 to 2 years of age.<sup>13, 15, 19, 24</sup>
- Bifidobacterium and Bacteroides are keystone colonizers that have the **capability to metabolize** Human Milk Oligosaccharides (HMO\*) and play a pivotal role in immune function.<sup>25-27</sup>

Antibiotics are the **most** prescribed medication to infants /children in the Western world.<sup>10</sup>

> 3 in 10 babies are 10w born by C-section in the EU.<sup>11</sup>

Nutritional strategies offer a great opportunity to **rebalance the compromised** microbiota in early life.



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Our new formula combining a synbiotic mixture of scGOS/lcFOS (9:1) with Bifidobacterium breve M-16V in combination with HMO\* 2'-FL and immunonutrients (LCPs\*\*, vitamins C, D, E and zinc) has been specifically designed to **positively rebalance the compromised gut microbiota** and to help to reduce the risk of infections of infants born by C-section and/or exposed to antibiotics in early life.

Breastmilk is best. WHO recommends exclusive breastfeeding for the first 6 months of life, continuing up to 2 years and beyond with gradual introduction of safe and suitable complementary feeding.

C-section surgery and antibiotics administration in early life remain essential medical treatments saving millions of lives each year.

## **SUPPORTING IMMUNITY THROUGH GUT**

For infants with a compromised microbiota



*Bifidobacterium breve* is a species commonly isolated from the gut of healthy breastfed infants and from human milk. The specific strain *B. breve* M-16V was selected, because of its well-established clinical data on safety and efficacy in positively modulating the gut microbiome of infants.



The prebiotic mixture of scGOS/lcFOS (9:1) is designed to closely reflect the quantity, diversity and functionality of HMOs\* in breast milk. In more than 40 clinical studies (>90 publications), scGOS/lcFOS has been shown to support a healthy gut and immune system development by:

- bacteria<sup>29,30</sup>
- Suppressing growth of pathogens<sup>31,32</sup>
- Stool softening and frequency closer to that of healthy breast-fed infants<sup>29,34</sup>
- Reducing the risk of infections<sup>31,35,36</sup>

#### Probiotic Bifidobacterium breve M-16V (B. breve M-16V)<sup>28</sup>

#### Prebiotic scGOS/lcFOS (9:1)

- Stimulating growth of beneficial
- Modulation of the gut microbiome and the immune system<sup>29,33,34</sup>

#### Synbiotic<sup>13,19</sup>

The supplementation of our specific synbiotic mixture (scGOS/lcFOS and B. breve M-16V) to infants born by C-section has been shown to restore the delayed gut colonization by Bifidobacterium, support an acidic gut environment and decrease the reported incidence of skin disorders. It also was shown to prevent colonization by harmful pathogens.

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#### **HiMO\* 2'-FL**<sup>37</sup>

2'-FL is the most dominant HMO\* in the majority breastmilk and is a substrate for specific bacteria, including Bacteroides. 2'-FL has demonstrated gut and immune benefits in infants, including blocking growth of harmful pathogens in the gut, and fewer reports of respiratory infections.

#### **IMMUNO**NUTRIENTS

LCPs\*\* (DHA\*\*\* & ARA\*\*\*\*) influence immunity (including the inflammatory component) through multiple interacting mechanisms<sup>38,39</sup> Vitamins (C, D, E) & zinc contribute to the normal function of the immune system<sup>40-47</sup>

# **A Nutritionally** Complete Formula MMUNONUC ON LCPs\*\* Vitamins SCOSTICE SICFOS (9:1)

Aptamil

#### **Close the gap in Bifidobacteria**<sup>13,19</sup>

Reduce the risk of infections<sup>31,35,36</sup>

Our unique combination of ingredients **REBALANCE THE COMPROMISED GUT** MICROBIOME closer to that of healthy breast-fed infants by SUPPORTING THE **IMMUNE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT & REDUCING THE RISK OF INFECTIONS** 

> \* Human (identical) Milk Oligosaccharide \*\* Long Chain Poly Unsaturated Fatty Acids \*\*\* Docosahexaenoic acid \*\*\*\* Arachidonic acid











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