Importance of Butyrate for Gut Health

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Everybody says, "Eat your vegetables." Everyone says, "Take prebiotics." There's various diets out there that are high in multicolored vegetables. They say, "Eat the colors." You know, all of these things, one way to look at them is they are food and fuel for your microbiome and what your microbiome gives off, one of the most important things, is berate. So the, the poop, if you will, of the microbiome from all that vegetable matter and probiotics is butyrate. And then from there we can go into how 95% of colon cells' energy usage comes from butyrate. The other 5% is absorbed and goes systemic. Basically everywhere you look and every condition from autoimmune conditions, neurologic conditions, asthma. So lungs, bones, the outside of the gut. So brains, lung, bones, like all over the place, liver health, you find low butyrate equals worse outcomes.