



Gut Detox for Dogs 101:

Does my dog need it? How does the gut microbiome play a role?

Take
the quiz
inside to
find out!



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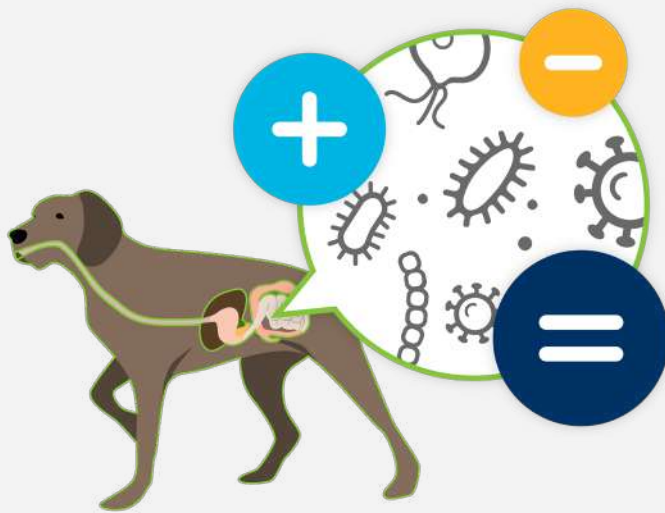
Toxins are present all around our dogs' environments, but they can also be present within our dogs.

What is a Gut Detox for Dogs?

Detoxing your dog's gut is an important step for your pet's optimal health and well-being. Equally important is understanding the role the gut microbiome plays in your dog's digestive and overall health. Sometimes a dog may need a detox because the gut microbiome is in dysbiosis because of the presence of high levels of harmful bacteria or because the gut is missing core bacterial groups. The result can be a variety of distressing symptoms, such as diarrhea and itchy skin.



What is the Gut Microbiome?

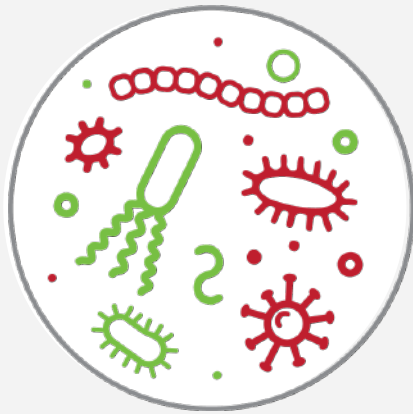


Just like us, dogs have trillions of tiny organisms (microbes like bacteria, fungi, and viruses) living in their gastrointestinal tracts. Collectively called the gut microbiome, those little organisms do all sorts of amazing, important things for your pet, like helping digest their food, protecting against disease, and maintaining a beautiful coat, just to name a few. This dynamic community is crucial for the proper functioning of your pet's body.

What is Dysbiosis?

When there aren't enough beneficial microbes or there are too many harmful ones, some of that community's important functions stop working, and your pet may develop uncomfortable symptoms. This disruption to the gut microbiome is called dysbiosis.

3 Types of Dysbiosis



Presence/Overgrowth of Harmful Microbes



Missing Key Beneficial Microbes



Diverse Microbiome but Out of Balance

What Causes Dysbiosis in the Gut Microbiome?



Age



Antibiotics



Diet

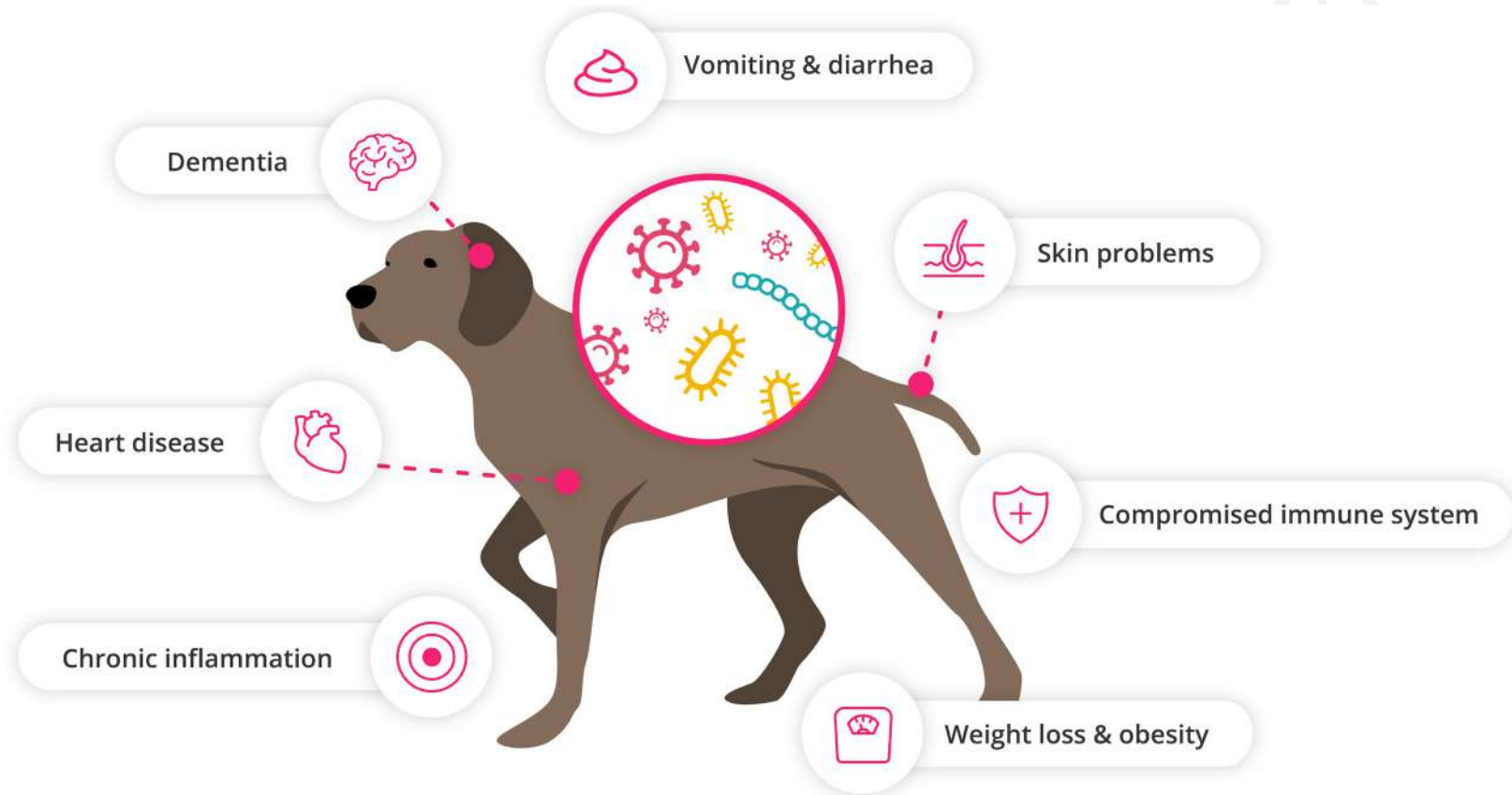


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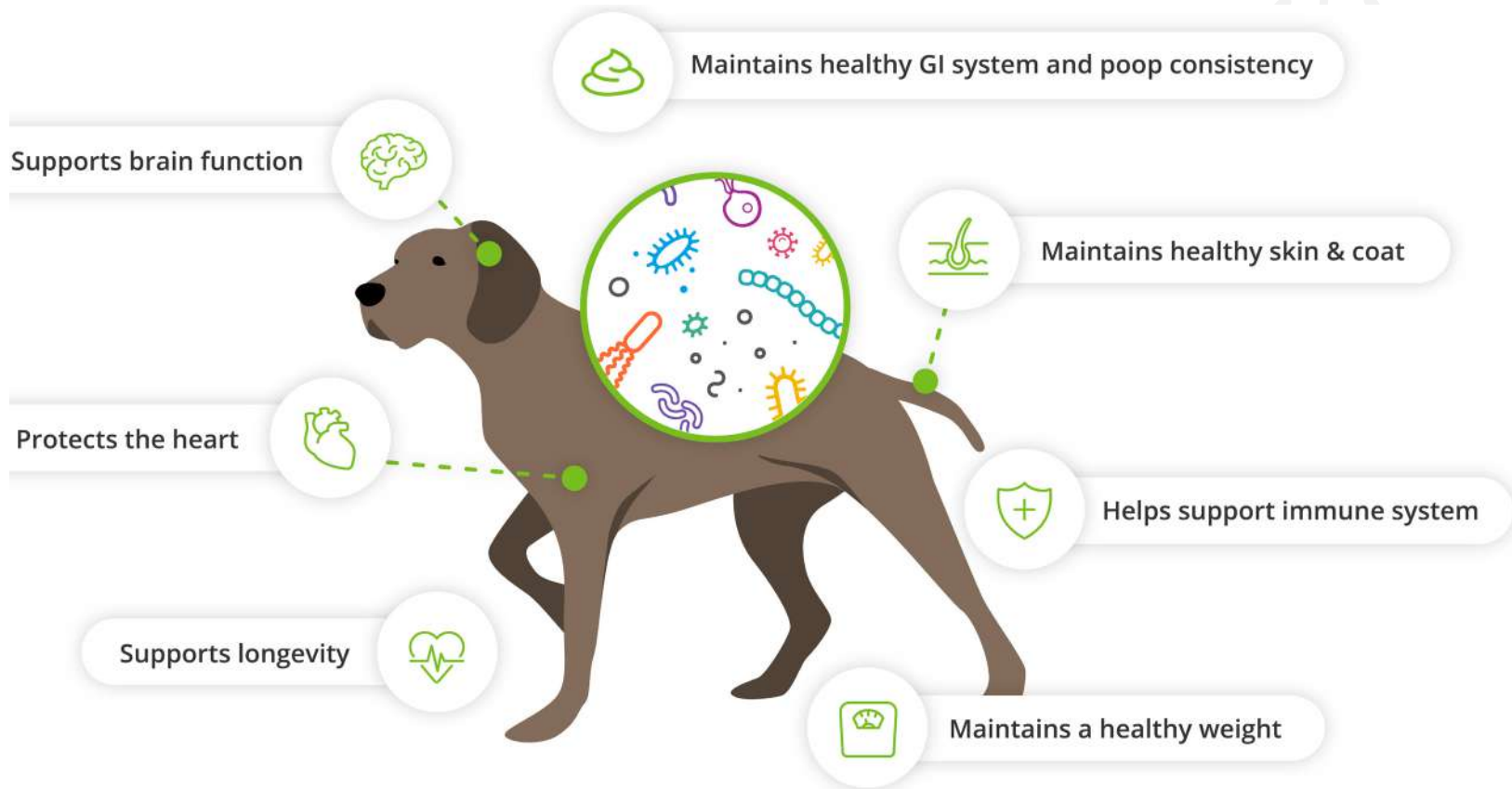


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What are the Symptoms of Dysbiosis?



What Does a Healthy Gut Look Like?



How Do I Check My Dog's Gut Health?

Take the quiz to start exploring the state of your dog's gut health

Select the answer that best describes your pet's condition. Add the points for each answer to get your total score. Find your results depending on your total score on page 13.

Question 1

How old is your dog?

Under 12 months

0

1-3 years

0

4-6 years

1

7-9 years

1

10 or more years

2

Question 2

How often is your dog's poop loose or soft?

Always

5

Very Often

4

Sometimes

2

Rarely

0

Never

0

Question 3

How often does your dog vomit or regurgitate?

Always

2

Very Often

1

Sometimes

0

Rarely

0

Never

0

Question 4

How frequently does your dog scratch, bite, chew or itch?

Always

2

Very Often

1

Sometimes

0

Rarely

0

Never

Question 5

How intense is the scratch, bite, chew or itch?

Severe

1

Moderate

0

Mild

0

Slight

0

Normal

0

Question 6

How would you describe your dog's weight?

Overweight

1

Slightly Overweight

0

Normal

0

Slightly Underweight

0

Very Underweight

1

Question 7

What is the protein content of your dog's food?

Over 35%

0

30-34%

0

26-30%

1

22-25%

2

Under 22%

3

Question 8

When was the last time your dog received antibiotics?

In last 2 weeks

3

2-4 weeks ago

2

2-6 months ago

1

Over 6 months ago

0

Never

0

Quiz Results

If your score is **15 and over**, your dog's gut microbiome is **likely dysbiotic**.

If your score is **5-14**, your dog's gut microbiome is **possibly dysbiotic**.

If your score is **below 5**, your dog's gut microbiome is **unlikely dysbiotic**.

To get a detailed report of what's going on inside your dog's digestive system, take a non-invasive, at-home Gut Microbiome Test.



Detect Gut Microbiome Imbalances



Get Actionable Insights



Receive Dietary Recommendations



Compare Your Dog's Health to Healthy Reference Data



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How Often Should I Detox My Dog's Gut?

Our team recommends testing anytime your dog experiences any GI issues (vomiting, regurgitation, constipation), diarrhea, or dermatological issues.

To keep your pet happy and active for as long as possible, make sure a microbiome test is also part of their annual wellness exam.



About DoggyBiome™

Since 2016, we have worked with pet parents and veterinarians to help assess and restore the gut of tens of thousands of dogs around the world. DoggyBiome scientists analyze thousands of gut microbiome tests every month using DNA sequencing in our state-of-the-art labs in Oakland, California. We maintain one of the world's largest databases of pet gut health information and use that information to ensure that our gut microbiome test results reflect the latest information and science. Learn more about us at doggybiome.com.

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