

Table S1. *Recovery of (spiked) phage and VLP DNA from processed human faeces after dual filtration*

Donor #	Sample type	Sample weight (g)	Faecal aliquots #	PFU recovery (%) [*]	% Overall recovery (mean \pm SD, n = 3)	DNA (ng/ μ l)	Total DNA (μ g)	OD _{260/280}	DNA yield (μ g/g faeces)
1	Fresh	47.0	12	34.5		53.7	4.46	1.8	0.095
2	Fresh	37.5	10	32.6	35.8 \pm 3.96	35.0	2.52	1.8	0.067
3	Frozen	37.0	10	40.2		46.4	3.20	1.8	0.086

^{*}As determined by dividing PFU of pure phage stock (ϕ B124-14) into PFU after PEG precipitation then multiplying by 100 %. All PFU recovery was replicated three times for each sample.