# Probiotics and prebiotics



### My goals were...

- To answer the questions posed.
- •To give a clear and simple idea of what really these elements are.
- •To show their applications and how we use them in our daily lives.

### What are they?

#### **Probiotics**

•Are live micro-organisms which when administered in adequate amounts confer a health benefit on the host.

#### **Prebiotics**

•Are non-digestible food ingredients that beneficially affect the host selectively stimulating the growth and / or activity of one or more bacterial species already living in the colon.

### Beneficial effects on health

#### **Probiotics**

Protection against gastrointestin al disorders

Immuno-modulatory effects

In intestinal flora

Immuno-modulatory effects

Cancer prevention

**Prebiotics** 

Mineral adsorption

Effect on lipid metabolism

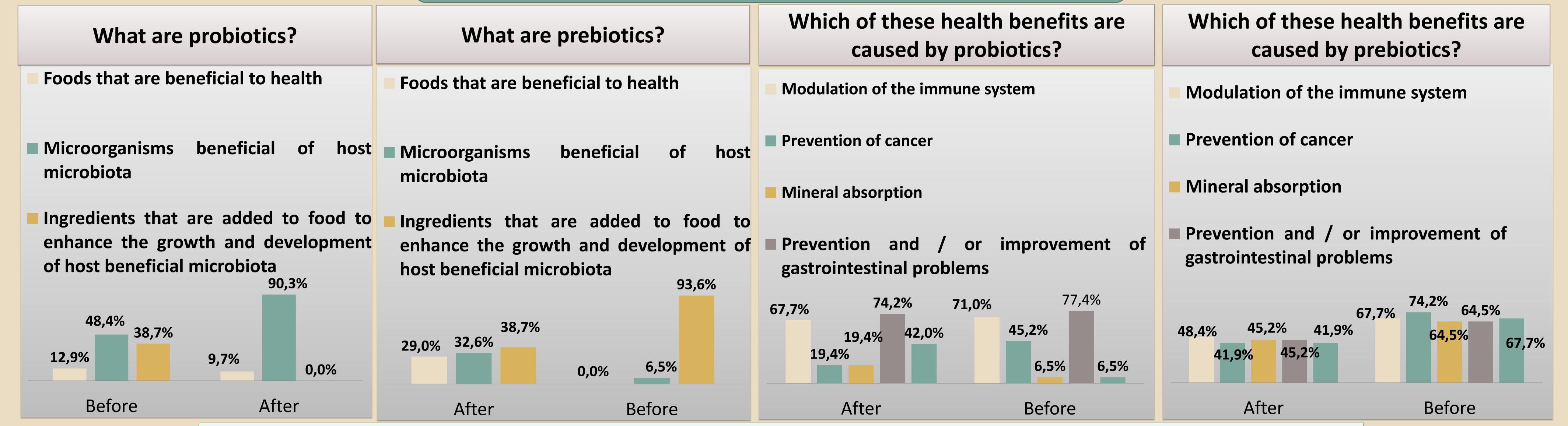
Weight maintenance

Diarrhea

Irritable bowel syndrome

Colorectal cancer

# What do people really know?



People attended a conference and were subjected to a questionnaire before and after it. There was an increased awareness of the population after receiving relevant information on the subject.