Supporting Information

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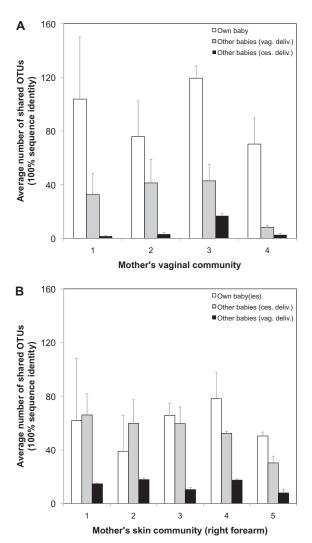


Fig. S1. Delivery mode influences the average number of nearly identical sequences shared between mothers and babies. Each baby sample was compared with (*A*) the vaginal community of each mother that delivered vaginally and (*B*) the right forearm skin community of each mother that delivered via C-section. Comparisons were made between mothers and their own babies (white bars), and other babies born by the same (gray bars) or different (black bars) delivery mode. Highly similar sequences were found by picking operational taxonomic units (OTUs) at 100% sequence identity using UCLUST. OTUs containing only one sequence, or appearing in only one sample, were removed from the analysis. Sequencing depth was standardized by randomly selecting 900 sequences from the mother sample and one sequence from the baby sample. Error bars are 1 SEM.

Table S1. Analysis of similarity results for comparisons made	in this study
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	Comparison groups	Unweighted UniFrac Global <i>R</i>	Weighted UniFrac Global <i>R</i>	
Mothers' body habitats	Skin vs. oral	0.992 (**)	1.000 (**)	
	Skin vs. vagina	0.958 (**)	0.939 (**)	
	Oral vs. vagina	0.965 (*)	0.928 (**)	
Infants' body habitats	Cesarean (all habitats)	-0.002 (N.S.)	-0.064 (N.S.)	
	Vaginal (all habitats)	0.046 (N.S.)	0.136 (N.S.)	
Mothers by delivery mode	Cesarean vs. vaginal	0.008 (N.S.)	-0.016 (N.S.)	
Infants by delivery mode	Cesarean vs. vaginal	0.779 (**)	0.831 (**)	
Mothers' body habitats vs.	Skin vs. vaginal	0.747 (**)	0.741 (**)	
Infants by delivery mode	Oral vs. vaginal	0.871 (**)	0.674 (**)	
	Vagina vs. vaginal	0.493 (*)	0.198 (N.S.)	
	Skin vs. cesarean	0.369 (**)	0.322 (**)	
	Oral vs. cesarean	0.995 (**)	0.951 (**)	
	Vagina vs. cesarean	0.963 (**)	0.968 (**)	
Twins	Twin A vs. twin B	-0.177 (N.S.)	–0.219 (N.S.)	

One thousand permutations were performed for each comparison. A pair of asterisks indicates significance with P < 0.001, a single asterisk indicates P < 0.01. N.S. = not significant (P > 0.01). Analysis of similarity is a permutation-based test of the null hypothesis that within-group distances are not significantly smaller than between-group distances. The test statistic (R) can range from 1 to -1, with a value of 1 indicating that all samples within groups are more similar to each other than to any other samples from different groups. R is ≈ 0 when the null hypothesis is true, that distances within and between groups are the same on average. In cases where only two groups were compared, they are listed below (e.g., skin vs. oral). When more than two groups were compared test, below were gut, skin, oral mucosa, and nasopharyngeal aspirate.

Table S2. Distribution of vaginal bacterial taxa among individual mothers

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Mother Delivery Ethnicity		V1_Mom1 Vaginal Mestizo	V2_Mom2 Vaginal Mestizo	V3_Mom6 Vaginal Amerindian	V4_Mom10 Vaginal Amerindian	C1_Mom4 C-section Mestizo	C2_Mom7 C-section Mestizo	C4_Mom9 C-section Mestizo
Таха		Percentage of sequences by taxa						
Firmicutes	Lactobacillus	92.39	88.15	19.24	1.93	93.92	6.30	52.04
Bacteroidetes	Prevotella	0.21	0.32	9.54	56.14	0.03	18.57	12.96
Actinobacteria	Atopobium	0.00	0.00	4.87	7.80	0.00	34.11	0.00
Fusobacteria	Sneathia	0.00	0.00	12.89	0.00	0.00	8.71	0.00
Firmicutes	Lactobacillales	4.51	5.88	1.88	0.12	2.97	0.65	3.59
Fusobacteria	Fusobacteriaceae	0.00	0.00	13.35	0.00	0.00	5.28	0.00
Firmicutes	Veillonellaceae	0.08	0.05	0.61	12.32	0.00	2.49	0.00
Firmicutes	Megasphaera	0.05	0.09	1.12	10.06	0.00	3.44	0.04
Actinobacteria	Corynebacterium	0.00	0.00	2.89	0.00	0.14	0.33	10.23
Bacteroidetes	Prevotellaceae	0.00	0.00	7.36	0.16	0.00	0.04	2.61
Firmicutes	Lactobacillaceae	2.36	3.78	1.07	0.12	1.19	0.12	1.18
Firmicutes	Dialister	0.03	0.00	0.66	3.86	0.00	3.72	0.41
Actinobacteria	Coriobacteriaceae	0.00	0.00	2.08	0.94	0.00	4.95	0.04
Firmicutes	Ruminococcaceae	0.03	0.00	3.10	1.60	0.00	2.41	0.00
Actinobacteria	Gardnerella	0.08	0.00	0.30	0.74	0.10	2.86	0.00
Firmicutes	Clostridiales	0.00	0.09	1.12	0.41	0.00	1.51	0.61
Tenericutes	Ureaplasma	0.00	0.55	0.91	0.16	1.19	0.00	0.29
Firmicutes	Streptococcus	0.05	0.59	0.30	1.31	0.00	0.08	0.24
Firmicutes	Lachnospiraceae	0.00	0.00	1.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.53
Firmicutes	Anaerococcus	0.00	0.00	0.81	0.62	0.00	0.00	0.81
N sequences		3,766	2,181	1,971	2,455	2,870	2,449	2,460

Vaginal swabs were not obtained from Mestizo mother C3_Mom8 and Amerindian mother C5_Mom11 [Cesarean (C-section) deliveries].