A Research on the Relationship between Intestinal Flora and Human Longevity

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ABSTRACT

The exploration of human life and health is advancing with the changes of the times. With the growth of age, the occurrence of chronic diseases of human immunity and organ system is frequent, which has a serious impact on human health. Genes, environment and other random factors determine the outcome of longevity, and intestinal flora is considered to be a decisive factor affecting human health and longevity, mainly because of its huge impact on human immunity, growth and development. The study of the relationship between intestinal flora and longevity is beneficial to improve the health status of the elderly and improve the overall life level of human beings, which has great scientific research value. This review will review the role of intestinal flora in longevity.

1. The Necessity of Intestinal Microbiota Studies in Longevity Studies

1.1 The Intestinal Flora of Normal People

Abundant microorganisms grow in the intestinal tract of the organism, especially bacteria, whose number varies from 500 to 1000 and reaches 1012 to 1014. Among them, the number of genes existing in human body is only one hundredth of the number of genes owned by microorganisms, and the number is more than 9.87 million according to relevant data [1-2]. Intestinal flora is interdependent and interacts with each other to maintain the ecological balance in the intestinal tract. It plays an important role in intestinal immunity, digestion and absorption, growth and development, and biological antagonism, etc., and constitutes an essential part of life [3]. Intestinal flora can be roughly divided into three categories: 1) Dominant flora: mainly obligate anaerobic bacteria, including Bacteroides, bifidobacterium, Eubacter, lactobacillus, etc., which can be colonized in the deep surface of intestinal mucosa and are beneficial to the health of the host, with low immunogenicity; 2) Opportunistic pathogens: most of them are facultative anaerobic bacteria, including enterococcus and enterobacter, which are not the dominant flora of the...

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intestinal tract. They are symbiotic with the host and generally not infectious. When the human immune system is low or the intestinal flora is disturbed, it will cause harm to human health. 3) Pathogenic bacteria: they can swim on the surface of the intestinal lumen, and are less likely to colonize in the intestinal lumen for a long time. Most of them are passing bacteria, which will cause damage to human body only when the number reaches a certain level [4].

1.2 Intestinal Flora and Longevity

Longevity refers to people to have a healthy constitution, to ensure the quality of life, and to get a longer life. Factors affecting human longevity are numerous and complex. In general, in addition to natural disasters, human-made disasters, disease, plague and other factors, there are genetic genes, nature, social, family, gender, disease, diet, lifestyle, psychological state and other factors [5]. Back in 1908, a scientist from Russia won the Nobel of “probiotics in the gut” and systematically expounded the association between “beneficial bacteria” and the secret of longevity [6]. They found that the human gut contains 1013-1014 microorganisms, which are mainly bacteria, and their total number is about 10 times that of human cells. The human gut flora is a complex system, mainly in Firmicutes, Bacteroides, proteobacteria, Actinobacteria and Wartinobacteria. However, with the development of science and technology, people gradually realize that the relationship between intestinal flora and human body is not only simple parasitic and parasitism, but also its complex relationship needs to be constantly explored [7,8]. The intestinal flora indirectly affects human health by affecting the immune system, causing related diseases, and affecting growth and metabolism, thus acting as a factor affecting human longevity [9].

2. The Effect of Intestinal Flora on Longevity

2.1 Intestinal Flora and the Immune System

Intestinal flora contributes to antigen exposure in early life and is one of the richest sources of early immune stimulation and adaptation [10]. The continuation of life and health is closely related to the normal functioning of the body’s immune system. The diversity and sufficiency of intestinal flora in normal individuals play an indispensable role in the normal activation of the immune system, so as to ensure the normal progress of the body’s life activities [11,12]. Innate lymphoid cells (ILCs) and T lymphocytes are widely distributed in the gastrointestinal mucosa, which play an important role in the regulation of intestinal flora and the function of the immune system. At the same time, intestinal flora can also directly or indirectly regulate the growth and development of ILCs [13,14]. Nikolaeva by normal human and animal physiology such as gastrointestinal tract flora of live microorganisms extracted by drug made of probiotics applied in 60 days weaned 60 newborn calf and 45 days weaned 60 found on big white piglets injected extracted by gastrointestinal flora probiotics drug research object innate immune factors have along with the age and the characteristics of the activated [15]. Intestinal flora plays an important role in T lymphocyte polarization and function regulation. Studies have shown that TLR can be expressed in gastrointestinal epithelial cells to regulate intestinal flora, activate TLR2-4 and NF-κB signaling pathways, secrete regulatory T cell polarizing cytokines, and specifically bind to B cell κ-light chain, thereby ensuring bacterial tolerance and maintaining normal immune function [16,17]. Intestinal flora is an important factor in the immune system of the body, which plays a crucial role in the homeostasis of the internal environment, life health and longevity.

2.2 Intestinal Flora and Chronic Diseases

The harm of chronic diseases is a major obstacle to ensuring the longevity and health of individuals. Intestinal flora is interdependent with the body and plays an indispensable role in maintaining the homeostasis of the body’s internal environment and resisting the invasion of foreign pathogens [18]. Abstract: Intestinal flora plays an important role in the regulation of obesity in typical chronic diseases by promoting the production of short-chain fatty acids, reducing the content of fast-induced Adipose Factor (FIAF), and resisting chronic mild inflammatory response. To improve obesity and inflammation. However, long-term high-fat diet can still inhibit the improvement of intestinal microflora structure [19,20]. At the same time, the increase of gastrointestinal flora promotes the generation of short-chain fatty acid bacteria and plays a certain role in the hypoglycemic effect in the treatment of diabetes [21,22]. Studies have shown differences in gastrointestinal flora such as Bacteroides and actinomycetes between diabetic patients and healthy subjects, and complex changes were observed during the treatment of low-fat diet through the 6-month follow-up of subjects. Butyrate producing bacteria Anarunotruncatus showed a slight increase, while Roseburia significantly increased at T1 stage, but at later stage gradually decrease [23]. Changes in the structure of gastrointestinal flora and other physical and chemical properties can lead to the destruction of pancreatic β cells and increase the incidence of diabetes. Therefore, the normal diversity and abundance of intestinal flora are important factors affecting the...
occurrence and development of chronic diseases, and thus play an important role in individual health and longevity.

2.3 Intestinal Flora and Growth Metabolism

Intestinal flora is a complex microbial community in human body, which plays a very important role in cell growth and development, nutrient uptake and other aspects [24]. Gill’s team used large-scale shotgun sequencing and 16S RRNa-based full-length gene technology to comprehensively understand functional genes of intestinal flora and found that they play a significant role in human metabolic pathways and processes [25,26]. In addition, there is also A research by used at the same time based on nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) and mass spectrometry (GC - MS) metabolomics technology, dynamic detection and monitoring of family member’s overall metabolic spectrum (urine metabolism of 1 HNMR spectrum) characteristics change, first discovered the human microbiome can affect human body metabolic phenotype, and found that affect the function of human body metabolic phenotype bacteria such as B.thetaiotaomicron, Pseudobutyrvibrio main sequence Similar to Clostridium and Bacteroidetes, and related human metabolites were found [24]. In addition, the study of Thaiss CA et al. on intestinal G- showed that the activation of il-23-IL-22 pathway in myeloid cells inhibited the transriptional activity of rhythm gene Nr1d1, thus activating NFIL3 and further regulating CD36 and other molecules to promote lipid metabolism in vivo [27]. At the same time, Watad A et al., through their studies on the occurrence and development of diseases in different seasons, showed that intestinal flora can monitor the normal expression of rhythmic lipid metabolic procedures in the body by regulating the transcription of NFIL3 gene in intestinal epithelial cells and some internal clocks [28], thus further affecting metabolism in the body.

3. Summary and Outlook

With the rapid development of sequencing and genome technology in the scientific field, it has become possible to explore the composition and function of intestinal microbes [29], and the study on intestinal flora and longevity has also become hot. At present, some existing research from basic research “intestinal flora and regulating mechanism of aging” “gut bacteria to improve the mechanism of different diseases” and “bacteria biological rhythm biothym of relations” with the host and so on, at the same time, also have to centenarians intestinal flora and its way of life, environmental factors such as the relevance of research [30-32]. However, intestinal flora is in a complex relationship with the human body to achieve ecological balance in vivo, and can interact with the host through metabolism and genetic inheritance [33]. Therefore, it is very important to reveal the dynamic relationship between intestinal flora and longevity and one of the important directions of future research on intestinal flora and longevity is to carry out personalized regulation of intestinal flora on the basis of understanding the characteristics of intestinal flora. In addition, the study on the intestinal flora of the families of long-lived people can also further explore the influence of genetic factors on the intestinal flora.

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