

论著

## 蛇床子素通过激活过氧化物酶体增殖物激活受体 $\alpha$ 调节肝细胞内脂肪酸代谢

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**摘要** 目的 探讨蛇床子素是否通过激活过氧化物酶体增殖物激活受体(PPAR) $\alpha$ 调节肝细胞内的脂肪酸代谢。方法 大鼠肝细胞在用蛇床子素 $12.5\sim100 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$ 作用24 h后,用比色法测定细胞内甘油三酯(TG)和游离脂肪酸(FFA)含量,用逆转录聚合酶链反应法测定PPAR $\alpha$  mRNA表达的变化。PPAR $\alpha$ 抑制剂MK886 $1 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$ 预处理肝细胞2 h后,观察蛇床子素 $100 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$ 作用24 h后对细胞内TG和FFA含量以及PPAR $\alpha$ 调控的靶基因包括固醇调节元件结合蛋白(SREBP)-1/2、脂肪酸合酶(FAS)、二脂酰甘油酰基转移酶(DGAT)、肉碱软脂酰转移酶(CPT)-1a、脂肪酸转运蛋白(FATP)4和肝脂肪酸结合蛋白(L-FABP)mRNA表达的影响。结果 蛇床子素 $12.5\sim100 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$ 可明显降低肝细胞内 TG和FFA的含量( $P<0.01$ ),同时也能明显增加肝细胞内PPAR $\alpha$  mRNA的表达( $P<0.01$ )。在用PPAR $\alpha$ 抑制剂MK886预处理后,蛇床子素降低肝细胞内TG和FFA的作用则明显被减弱( $P<0.01$ ),同时抑制SREBP-1/2, FAS和DGAT mRNA表达的作用明显减弱或完全消失( $P<0.01$ ),增加CPT-1a, FATP4和L-FABP mRNA表达的作用也明显减弱或完全消失( $P<0.01$ )。结论 蛇床子素通过激活肝细胞中PPAR $\alpha$ 后可降低细胞中的TG和FFA含量,其机制与激活PPAR $\alpha$ 后随后抑制SREBP-1/2, FAS和DGAT的基因表达以及增加CPT-1a, FATP4和L-FABP的基因表达有关。

**关键词** [蛇床子素](#) [脂肪酸](#) [过氧化物酶体增殖物激活受体 \$\alpha\$](#)  [肝细胞](#)

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## Osthole regulates fatty acid metabolism in hepatocytes by activation of PPAR $\alpha$

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#### Abstract

**OBJECTIVE** To determine whether osthole regulates fatty acid metabolism in hepatocytes of rats by activating peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR)  $\alpha$ . **METHODS** Rat hepatocytes were cultured and treated with osthole  $12.5\sim100 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$  for 24 h, before triglycerides (TG) and free fatty acid (FFA) contents in hepatocytes were determined by colorimetric method. PPAR $\alpha$  mRNA expression was determined by reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction. In order to determine whether the lipid-regulating effect of osthole was associated with activation of PPAR $\alpha$ , hepatocytes were pretreated with PPAR $\alpha$  inhibitor MK886  $1 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$  for 2 h before incubation with osthole  $100 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$  for 24 h. TG and FFA contents, PPAR $\alpha$ -regulated target genes including sterol regulatory element-binding protein (SREBP)-1/2, fatty acid synthase (FAS), diacylglycerol acyltransferase (DGAT), carnitine palmitoyltransferase (CPT)-1a, fatty acid transporter protein (FATP)4, and liver fatty acid binding protein (L-FABP) mRNA expressions in hepatocytes were examined. **RESULTS** Osthole  $12.5\sim100 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$  could significantly reduce TG and FFA contents and enhance the PPAR $\alpha$  mRNA expression in hepatocytes of rats( $P<0.01$ ), but reduction of TG and FFA contents were significantly alleviated after pretreatment with PPAR $\alpha$  inhibitor MK886( $P<0.01$ ). Similarly, the reduction of SREBP-1/2, FAS and DGAT mRNA expressions as well as the increment of CPT-1a, FATP4 and L-FABP mRNA expressions in hepatocytes of rats by osthole were also alleviated or abrogated after pretreatment with PPAR $\alpha$  inhibitor MK886( $P<0.01$ ).

**CONCLUSION** Osthole can decrease TG and FFA contents in hepatocytes. The mechanisms might be associated with activation of PPAR $\alpha$ , subsequent reduction of SREBP-1/2, FAS and DGAT gene expressions and increment of CPT-1a, FATP4 and L-FABP gene expressions.

**Key words** [osthole](#) [fatty acids](#) [peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor  \$\alpha\$](#)  [hepatocytes](#)

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