

Metabolic syndrome, exercise and Gut Microbioma: Possible Correlation

Carmine Finelli¹ and Simone Dal Sasso²

¹Department of Internal Medicine, ASL Napoli 3 Sud, Hospital "A. Maresca" Via Montedoro, Italy

²Independent Researcher, Naples, Italy

*Corresponding author: Carmine Finelli, Department of Internal Medicine, ASL Napoli 3 Sud, Hospital "A. Maresca" Via Montedoro, Italy

ARTICLE INFO

Received: 📅 June 03, 2024

Published: 📅 June 10, 2024

Citation: Carmine Finelli and Simone Dal Sasso. Metabolic syndrome, exercise and Gut Microbioma: Possible Correlation. Biomed J Sci & Tech Res 57(1)-2024. BJSTR. MS.ID.008931.

Mini Review

The metabolic syndrome is a rapidly developing health issue that impacts an estimated one-third of adults and a growing number of children in developed nations [1]. It includes the consequences of heart disease, atherosclerosis, insulin resistance, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD), and other conditions [2-4]. While studies are being conducted on combination and single medication therapy, there is currently no approved pharmaceutical treatment to address all, most, or even some components of the metabolic syndrome [5-7]. In an effort to reduce whole-body obesity, revert chronic hyperglycemia, avoid blood vessel plaque formation, and dyslipidemia, the current predominant therapy to combat the metabolic syndrome involves dietary changes and increased physical activity [8,9]. Exercise has been shown in clinical trials to lower hepatic lipid content and increase insulin sensitivity in people [10], but not all of the mechanisms via which exercise enhances the body's overall metabolism are understood, particularly when metabolic syndrome is either in the early stages of development or is already established [11,12].

Thus, it is essential to understand the molecular mechanisms behind the metabolic syndrome and how it progresses within the context of an exercise intervention in order to develop effective treatments and reduce the total burden on families, communities, health-care systems, and individuals [13,14]. A host's gut microbiota is currently receiving more attention and been shown to affect a number of

elements of the metabolic syndrome and the diseases that are linked to it [15,16]. After exercise measures, the gut microbiome is also being investigated; recent findings indicate a close connection between the advantages of physical activity and the gut microbiome [17-19]. This field of study is fascinating because of the possible effects on both individual and public health. Though the mechanisms under non-disease or athletic conditions have recently been defined not as much research has focused on whether physical activity preserves or promotes a diverse gut microbiome in the context of diet-induced metabolic syndrome and whether this impacts organismal metabolic health [20-23]. Recently, it was showed that reductions in caloric consumption and encouragement of physical activity in contrast to an ad libitum Mediterranean diet were linked to improvements in cardiometabolic risk variables, possibly via alterations in the microbiome and fecal microbiota [24].

Therefore, exercise has been demonstrated to have favorable effects on the gut microbiome and metabolism, and there is growing evidence that an unbalanced gut microbiota may contribute to insulin resistance in Type 2 Diabetes patients [25,26]. Over the last ten years, a number of studies have linked metabolic illnesses like obesity and type 2 diabetes (T2D) to the gut microbiota; however, the precise processes behind these associations remain unclear [27-30]. Insulin and blood sugar are key indicators of general metabolic health. The hormone insulin, which is secreted by the pancreas in response to carbohydrate consumption, controls blood sugar levels by enabling glu-

cose, or sugar, to enter our body's cells for energy [31]. Patients with metabolic diseases like TD2 experience insulin resistance, a condition in which the body's cells become less responsive to insulin, leading to excessively elevated blood sugar levels [11]. For unknown reasons, many patients do not respond to exercise or respond badly in terms of insulin sensitivity and blood sugar balance, despite the fact that regular exercise has been linked to several health advantages [32].

The microbiome of patients who reacted favorably to exercise seemed to include more bacteria that produce the anti-inflammatory metabolite short-chain fatty acids, which control glucose and energy balance [25-33]. On the other hand, the microbiome of non-responders showed a greater synthesis of substances like glutamate, which has been shown to be elevated in insulin-resistant individuals and to have a greater potential to cause inflammation [34]. Additionally, the gut microbiota composition of non-responders was comparable to that of the sedentary controls [17,35]. Therefore, the gut microbiota is a major determinant of an individual's ability to increase insulin sensitivity and blood sugar metabolism in response to exercise [36]. Depending on an individual's gut microbiota, the effectiveness of lifestyle treatments like diet and exercise that try to promote metabolic health appears to be very different. Personalized lifestyle interventions may eventually directly target the gut microbiota to enhance overall metabolic health.

It need to find out if endurance training is enough to stop or slow the onset of the metabolic syndrome and the disorders that are linked to it. It was investigated the effects of exercise on the gut microbiota as the metabolic syndrome progresses [36,37]. Important aspects also include the interplay between probiotics, exercise, the state of the host's internal environment, and the gut microbiota [38]. The development of the study topic shows a trend toward complete analysis that is multidisciplinary and multiperspective [38]. Because exercise controls the gut microbiota, it may prove to be a useful intervention in the treatment of disease [38]. The development of exercise-centered lifestyle intervention treatment has the potential to become a major trend in the next years [38]. Long-term exercise training reduced adiposity and liver lipid buildup while maintaining cardiometabolic fitness and glucose homeostasis [39]. A number of operational taxonomic units (gut bacteria) have been drastically altered and closely linked to markers of clinical significance [40]. Therefore, exercise has an impact on the gut microbiota across the initial stages and progression of metabolic syndrome, and studies on this subject constantly bolster the advantages of exercise for organisms' metabolic health.

Disclosure Statement

The authors declare that there are no conflicts of interest.

References

- Saklayen MG (2018) The Global Epidemic of the Metabolic Syndrome. *Curr Hypertens Rep* 20(2): 12.
- Matsubayashi Y, Fujihara K, Yamada-Harada M, Yurie M, Takaaki Sato, et al. (2022) Impact of metabolic syndrome and metabolic dysfunction-associated fatty liver disease on cardiovascular risk by the presence or absence of type 2 diabetes and according to sex. *Cardiovasc Diabetol* 21(1): 90.
- Finelli C (2022) Metabolic Syndrome and Longevity: A Framework of Situation. *Biomed J Sci & Tech Res* 44(3).
- Finelli C (2023) Non Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease and Increased Intima Media Thickness as Markers of Subclinical Atherosclerosis in Severe Obesity. *EC Clinical and Medical Case Reports* 6.1: 14-16.
- Finelli C (2022) Metabolic Syndrome and Berberine: A Framework of Situation. *Biomed J Sci & Tech Res* 42(1).
- Finelli C (2022) Metabolic Syndrome, Obesity and Irisin: State of the Art. *Biomed J Sci & Tech Res* 46(2).
- Huang HYR, Badar S, Said M, Gary Tse, Priyanka Roy, et al. (2024) The advent of RNA-based therapeutics for metabolic syndrome and associated conditions: a comprehensive review of the literature. *Mol Biol Rep* 51(1): 493.
- Myers J, Kokkinos P, Nyelin E (2019) Physical Activity, Cardiorespiratory Fitness, and the Metabolic Syndrome. *Nutrients* 11(7): 1652.
- Henning RJ (2021) Obesity and obesity-induced inflammatory disease contribute to atherosclerosis: a review of the pathophysiology and treatment of obesity. *Am J Cardiovasc Dis* 11(4): 504-529.
- da Silva Ferreira G, Bochi APG, Pinto PR, Marisa Passarelli, Sergio Catanozi, et al. (2021) Aerobic Exercise Training Prevents Insulin Resistance and Hepatic Lipid Accumulation in LDL Receptor Knockout Mice Chronically Fed a Low-Sodium Diet. *Nutrients* 13(7): 2174.
- Zhao X, An X, Yang C, Sun W, Ji H, et al. (2023) The crucial role and mechanism of insulin resistance in metabolic disease. *Front Endocrinol (Lausanne)* 14: 1149239.
- Chomiuk T, Niezgoda N, Mamcarz A, Śliż D (2024) Physical activity in metabolic syndrome. *Front Physiol* 15: 1365761.
- Fahed G, Aoun L, Bou Zerdan M, Hazem I Assi, Youssef Bouferraa, et al. (2022) Metabolic Syndrome: Updates on Pathophysiology and Management in 2021. *Int J Mol Sci* 23(2): 786.
- Ambroselli D, Masciulli F, Romano E, Luisa Mannina, Francesco Dotta, et al. (2023) New Advances in Metabolic Syndrome, from Prevention to Treatment: The Role of Diet and Food. *Nutrients* 15(3): 640.
- Hou K, Wu ZX, Chen XY, Liuya Wei, Dan Zhu, et al. (2022) Microbiota in health and diseases. *Signal Transduct Target Ther* 7(1): 135.
- Olofsson LE, Bäckhed F (2022) The Metabolic Role and Therapeutic Potential of the Microbiome. *Endocr Rev* 43(5): 907-926.
- Boytar AN, Skinner TL, Wallen RE, Jenkins DG, Dekker Nitert M, et al. (2023) The Effect of Exercise Prescription on the Human Gut Microbiota and Comparison between Clinical and Apparently Healthy Populations: A Systematic Review. *Nutrients* 15(6): 1534.
- Aya V, Jimenez P, Muñoz E, Ramírez JD (2023) Effects of exercise and physical activity on gut microbiota composition and function in older adults: a systematic review. *BMC Geriatr* 23(1): 364.
- Min L, Ablitip A, Wang R, Luciana T, Wei M, et al. (2024) Effects of Exercise on Gut Microbiota of Adults: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis. *Nutrients* 16(7): 1070.
- Martinen M, Ala-Jaakkola R, Laitila A, Lehtinen MJ (2020) Gut Microbiota, Probiotics and Physical Performance in Athletes and Physically Active Individuals. *Nutrients* 12(10): 2936.
- Strasser B, Wolters M, Weyh C, Krüger K, Ticinesi A, et al. (2021) The Ef-

- fects of Lifestyle and Diet on Gut Microbiota Composition, Inflammation and Muscle Performance in Our Aging Society. *Nutrients* 13(6): 2045.
22. Clauss M, Gérard P, Mosca A, Leclerc M (2021) Interplay Between Exercise and Gut Microbiome in the Context of Human Health and Performance. *Front Nutr* 8: 637010.
 23. Park M, Joung M, Park JH, Ha SK, Park HY, et al. (2022) Role of Postbiotics in Diet-Induced Metabolic Disorders. *Nutrients* 14(18): 3701.
 24. García-Gavilán JF, Atzeni A, Babio N, Jordi Salas-salvado, Frank B Hu, et al. (2024) Effect of 1-year lifestyle intervention with energy-reduced Mediterranean diet and physical activity promotion on the gut metabolome and microbiota: a randomized clinical trial. *Am J Clin Nutr* 119(5): 1143-1154.
 25. Wegierska AE, Charitos IA, Topi S, Potenza MA, Montagnani M, et al. (2022) The Connection Between Physical Exercise and Gut Microbiota: Implications for Competitive Sports Athletes. *Sports Med* 52(10): 2355-2369.
 26. Rojas-Valverde D, Bonilla DA, Gómez-Miranda LM, Calleja-Núñez JJ, Arias N, et al. (2023) Examining the Interaction between Exercise, Gut Microbiota, and Neurodegeneration: Future Research Directions. *Biomedicines* 11(8): 2267.
 27. Moreno-Indias I, Cardona F, Tinahones FJ, Queipo-Ortuño MI (2014) Impact of the gut microbiota on the development of obesity and type 2 diabetes mellitus. *Front Microbiol* 5: 190.
 28. Li WZ, Stirling K, Yang JJ, Zhang L (2020) Gut microbiota and diabetes: From correlation to causality and mechanism. *World J Diabetes* (7): 293-308.
 29. Martínez-López YE, Esquivel-Hernández DA, Sánchez-Castañeda JP, Neri-Rosario D, Guardado-Mendoza R, et al. (2022) Type 2 diabetes, gut microbiome, and systems biology: A novel perspective for a new era. *Gut Microbes* 14(1): 2111952.
 30. Zhang L, Wang P, Huang J, Li Wen, Yanpeng Xing, et al. (2024) Gut microbiota and therapy for obesity and type 2 diabetes. *Front Endocrinol (Lausanne)* 5: 1333778.
 31. Rahman MS, Hossain KS, Das S, Md Jamal Uddin, Myung-Geol Pang, et al. (2021) Role of Insulin in Health and Disease: An Update. *Int J Mol Sci* 22(12): 6403.
 32. Almuraikhy S, Doudin A, Domling A, Althani AAJF, Elrayess MA (2024) Molecular regulators of exercise-mediated insulin sensitivity in non-obese individuals. *J Cell Mol Med* 28(1): e18015.
 33. Facchin S, Bertin L, Bonazzi E, Marco Scarpa, Daria Maniero, et al. (2024) Short-Chain Fatty Acids and Human Health: From Metabolic Pathways to Current Therapeutic Implications. *Life (Basel)* 14(5): 559.
 34. Sadagopan A, Mahmoud A, Begg M, Mawada Tarhuni, Monique Fotso, et al. (2023) Understanding the Role of the Gut Microbiome in Diabetes and Therapeutics Targeting Leaky Gut: A Systematic Review. *Cureus* 15(7): e41559.
 35. Mohr AE, Jäger R, Carpenter KC, Jose Antonio, Jessica A Ter Haar, et al. (2020) The athletic gut microbiota. *J Int Soc Sports Nutr* 17(1): 24.
 36. Cataldi S, Poli L, Şahin FN, Francesco Fischetti, Barbara Ghinassi, et al. (2022) The Effects of Physical Activity on the Gut Microbiota and the Gut-Brain Axis in Preclinical and Human Models: A Narrative Review. *Nutrients* 14(16): 3293.
 37. Min L, Ablitip A, Wang R, Luciana T, Wei M, et al. (2024) Effects of Exercise on Gut Microbiota of Adults: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis. *Nutrients* 16(7): 1070.
 38. Deng R, Wang M, Song Y, Shi Y (2023) A Bibliometric Analysis on the Research Trend of Exercise and the Gut Microbiome. *Microorganisms* 11(4): 903.
 39. Murphy-Després A, Chartrand DJ, Lemieux I, Natalie Almeras, Jean-Pierre Despres, et al. (2024) Long-Term Improvement in Cardiorespiratory Fitness Ameliorates Insulin Sensitivity beyond Changes in Visceral/Ectopic Fat among Men with Visceral Obesity. *Nutrients* 16(9): 1377.
 40. Cho NA, Strayer K, Dobson B, McDonald B (2024) Pathogenesis and therapeutic opportunities of gut microbiome dysbiosis in critical illness. *Gut Microbes* 16(1): 2351478.

ISSN: 2574-1241

DOI: 10.26717/BJSTR.2024.57.008931

Carmine Finelli. Biomed J Sci & Tech Res



This work is licensed under Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 License

Submission Link: <https://biomedres.us/submit-manuscript.php>

Assets of Publishing with us

- Global archiving of articles
- Immediate, unrestricted online access
- Rigorous Peer Review Process
- Authors Retain Copyrights
- Unique DOI for all articles

<https://biomedres.us/>