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陆生和水产养殖动物营养感知理论和应用展望

摘要

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1. 引言

营养对于动物的生长和健康至关重要,其中大分子 营养素如氨基酸、脂肪酸和碳水化合物等,既能为生物 体提供能量和维持生物体稳态,也是生物体组织细胞的 基本组分。传统上,营养科学主要关注消化、吸收、运 输和代谢等生理过程[1]。然而,直到21世纪初,细胞和 生物体如何感知和代谢性地响应营养状况,即营养感 知,才引起了广泛关注,成为整个生物科学的热点[2]。 大量研究表明,营养感知在人类和不同动物的摄食、能 量稳态、激素分泌以及代谢的调控中发挥着关键作用 [2-6]。

2. 细胞营养感知的信号通路

饲料在动物生长和健康中扮演着重要的角色,然而长期以来,营养调控的内在机制一直是动物营养学研

究的"黑匣子"。直到近年来,多个感知不同营养素的信号通路被揭示,研究发现营养素能够作为信号分

子被细胞感知,并在调控机体基因表达和代谢活动中起着至关重要的作用。目前营养感知机制已经被应

用在药物开发和疾病控制中,但在水产和陆生养殖动物中,基于主要营养素(蛋白质、脂质和碳水化合物

等)的营养感知和代谢调控的应用研究仍处于起步阶段。在本文中,我们综述了营养感知理论的前沿进

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2.1. 氨基酸感知

展,并对未来营养感知理论在动物营养中的应用提出一些设想和建议。

雷帕霉素靶蛋白复合物1 (mechanistic target of rapamycin complex 1, mTORC1) 是细胞感知营养物质(尤其 是氨基酸)的主要信号中枢,其能够感知细胞营养状态, 进而调节细胞合成代谢与分解代谢的平衡[7-8](图1)。 mTORC1 是由mTOR、raptor (regulatory-associated protein of mTOR), DEPTOR (DEP domain containing MTOR interacting protein)和 mLST8 (mammalian lethal with Sec13 protein 8)结合形成的复合物[9]。在诸多mTORC1的下游底物 中, 真核细胞翻译起始因子4E结合蛋白1(4E-binding protein 1, 4EBP1) 和核糖体蛋白 S6 激酶 (p70 ribosomal





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S6 kinases, S6K)在调控mRNA翻译、蛋白质合成和细胞 增殖过程中发挥重要作用[8,10]。鸟苷三磷酸酶(GTPases)如 Rag (Ras-related GTP-binding protein)和 Rheb (Ras homolog enriched in brain)对于营养信号的转导和mTORC1 的激活至关重要[11–13]。胞外细胞生长因子通过细胞表 面受体、Akt、TSC (Tuberous sclerosis proteins)和 Rheb 的 信号级联转导,将生长信号传递至mTORC1 [8]。 mTORC1的充分激活需要其被定位至溶酶体表面,当营 养物质特别是氨基酸充足时,GTP负载的 Rag GTPases 可 以将mTORC1募集到溶酶体表面[12–14]。

近年来,越来越多的氨基酸感知因子被揭示,它们可 以识别不同的氨基酸,并通过调节 Rag GTPases 或 mTORC1复合物的定位,调节mTORC1的活性[15-23]。 SLC38A9是与氨基酸转运载体同源的溶酶体跨膜蛋白, 可以感知溶酶体内的精氨酸水平,并通过非经典鸟嘌呤核 苷酸交换因子 (guanine nucleotide exchange factor)机制 激活 Rag GTPases [15,24-26]。CASTOR1/2 (cellular arginine sensor for mTORC1)通过感知细胞质中精氨酸水平调 节 GATOR2 (GTPase activating proteins toward Rags subcomplex 2)来影响mTORC1的活性[16-17]。SAR1B (secretion associated ras related GTPase 1b)和 sestrins 可以感知胞 内亮氨酸水平来调控mTORC1信号通路[21]。细胞蛋氨酸 可以被 SAMTOR (S-adenosylmethionine sensor upstream of mTORC1)感知[23]。

除了对单个氨基酸的营养感知外,机体也能够感知细

胞内整体的氨基酸丰度[27]。氨基酸的短缺会造成空载的 tRNA积累,其与GCN2 (general control nonderepressible 2) 的氨酰基-tRNA合成酶样结构域结合,导致真核翻译起始 因子 2α (eIF 2α)的磷酸化,从而抑制蛋白质合成[28]。 虽然这些氨基酸感知信号通路普遍存在,但是其在不同组 织中的活性存在差异[29]。

2.2. 脂质感知

分化抗原簇 36 (cluster of Differentiation 36, CD36) 被认为在脂质感知中发挥重要作用[2](图1)。当脂肪酸 缺乏时, CD36与Src激酶Fyn以及肝激酶B1(LKB1)形 成复合物,从而抑制LKB1对腺苷酸活化蛋白激酶 (AMPK)的激活。而在脂肪酸充足的条件下,脂肪酸与 CD36的相互作用,促进Fvn从上述蛋白质复合物中解离, 使得 LKB1 激活 AMPK [30]。多种 G 蛋白偶联受体 (G protein-coupled receptor, GPR)对不同类型的脂肪酸也有 响应(图1)。例如, GPR40和GPR120能感知中链和长链 脂肪酸,GPR41和GPR43能感知短链脂肪酸,而GPR119 响应脂质衍生物的丰度[31-33]。细胞核内的脂质感受器 包括肝脏X受体(LXR)、孕烷X受体(PXR)和过氧化 物酶体增殖物激活受体 y (PPARy),其可以与脂肪酸和 胆固醇相互作用,调节脂质代谢相关基因的表达,如脂肪 酸合成酶(FASN)、SREBP1和CD36[34-35]。SREBP1 断裂激活蛋白 (SREBP1 cleavage activating protein, SCAP)可以通过与胆汁酸结合并调节 SREBP1 转录活性 的方式感知胆固醇[36]。肉碱棕榈酰转移酶1(carnitine



图1. 主要的营养感知信号通路。tRNA:转运RNA; GCN2: general control nonderepressible 2; Leu: 亮氨酸; Arg: 精氨酸; Met: 蛋氨酸; SAR1B: secretion associated ras related GTPase 1b; LRS: 亮氨酸tRNA 合成酶1; CASTOR: cytosolic arginine sensor for mTORC1; SLC38A9: solute carrier family 38 member 9; SAMTOR: S-adenosylmethionine sensor upstream of mTORC1; GLUT2: 2型葡萄糖转运蛋白; GCK: 葡萄糖激酶; G6P: 葡萄糖 6-磷酸; FBP: 1,6-二磷酸果糖; ATP: 三磷酸腺苷; AMPK: 腺苷酸活化蛋白激酶; CD36: 分化抗原簇 36; LKB1: 肝激酶 B1; Fyn: Src family tyrosine kinase; LXR: liver X receptor; PXR: pregnane X receptor; PPARγ: 过氧化物酶体增殖物-活化受体γ; SREBP1: 固醇调节元件结合转录因子1; FASN: 脂肪酸合成酶; GPRs: G蛋白偶联受体。

palmitoyltransferase-1, CPT-1)能调节长链脂肪酰基辅酶A (long-chain fatty acyl-CoA, LCFA-CoA)进入线粒体进行β 氧化,同时CPT-1在大脑、肝脏、胰腺和肌肉等不同组织中参与调控胰岛素抵抗、胰岛素分泌和食欲调控等进程[37]。

2.3. 葡萄糖感知

葡萄糖可在胰岛、肝脏、肌肉、下丘脑和脂肪等多种 组织中被感知,而且该过程受激素和代谢中间产物的调 节。葡萄糖代谢和信号转导具有组织特异性,并且也会受 到组织营养状况的影响[38]。葡萄糖利用的第一步是葡萄 糖激酶(glucokinase, GCK)将葡萄糖磷酸化, GCK同时 也是葡萄糖的感受器[2](图1)。与其他己糖激酶相比, GCK 与葡萄糖的亲和力较低,并且仅在葡萄糖充足的条 件下具有活性[39]。GCK在代谢活跃的肝脏中高度表达 [40],特定的表达模式使得GCK催化产生的葡萄糖-6-磷 酸(G6P)可以根据代谢需求进入糖酵解或糖原合成过程 (即用于产生或储存能量) [2]。GCK主要感知的是细胞内 的葡萄糖,而细胞膜定位的2型葡萄糖转运蛋白(glucose transporter 2, GLUT2)可以感知细胞外的葡萄糖水平。与 GCK类似,GLUT2对葡萄糖的亲和力相对较低,仅在高 血糖的条件下起到转运葡萄糖的作用。此外,GLUT2可 以双向转运葡萄糖[41-42]。因此,GLUT2仅在瞬时高血 糖的情况下介导葡萄糖的输入,而在肝内葡萄糖水平较高 时介导葡萄糖的输出,这使得GLUT2对维持葡萄糖的稳 态尤为关键[2]。GLUT2在多种组织中都有表达,其中胰 腺β细胞中的GLUT2对于葡萄糖刺激的胰岛素分泌至关 重要。在神经系统中,GLUT2介导的葡萄糖感知能够控 制进食和体温调节[41]。

胰岛素和胰高血糖素是控制血糖的两种激素。葡萄糖 摄入的增加使得β细胞内三磷酸腺苷(ATP)的水平升 高,随之而来的是膜钾通道的关闭和膜去极化,从而导致 瞬时细胞内钙脉冲促进胰岛素分泌[43]。钠/葡萄糖协同转 运蛋白1(sodium-glucose luminal transporter-1, SGLT1) 是肠内分泌细胞转运葡萄糖的载体,并通过刺激胰高血糖 素样肽-1(glucagon-like peptide-1, GLP-1)等肠道激素的 分泌启动随后的信号传导[44]。肠内分泌细胞上的味觉受 体T1R2-T1R3异二聚体也可以感知葡萄糖,能通过促进 肠促生长素的分泌改善机体对血糖和血脂的控制[45]。葡 萄糖水平也可以被AMPK和mTORC1两种关键的代谢调 控信号通路间接感知。例如,醛缩酶可以感知葡萄糖低水 平下的代谢中间体果糖-1,6-二磷酸(fructose-1,6-bisphosphate, FBP)激活AMPK信号通路[46]。此外,葡萄糖也 可以调节Rag GTPases 活性和mTORC1激活,但机制尚不 清楚[47]。

3. 哺乳动物生长和疾病中的营养感知调控

营养感知信号通路,尤其是mTORC1信号通路,可 以整合外界营养素和环境信息来调控机体的生长和健康。 营养感知信号通路的失调会导致癌症、心血管疾病和神经 退化等病变的发生[48-50]。mTORC1活性的缺乏会导致早 发性肌肉疾病,并阻碍小鼠的生长[51]。越来越多的证据 表明,mTORC1也参与调节免疫反应,如促进T细胞、 B细胞和抗原呈递细胞的分化、活化和功能发挥[52-53]。 此外,mTORC1信号通路的激活能促进干细胞和祖细胞的 生长和增殖,并且能控制多能干细胞群的分化[54-55]。值 得注意的是,mTORC1在肠上皮损伤后修复过程中,参与 对多个肠上皮细胞系的调控,能够激活肠道干细胞和祖细 胞[56-58]。以上证据充分说明了解析营养感知并以其为靶 点进行干预对动物生长、免疫和健康等具有重要意义。

4. 动物营养学中的营养感知研究

4.1. 陆生养殖动物的营养感知

许多体内外的研究已经阐明了营养感知对养殖动物的 重要性。大多数营养感知相关的分子及功能在养殖动物中 高度保守[59],例如,蛋氨酸、亮氨酸、精氨酸及一些其 他氨基酸均可激活奶牛、猪和鹌鹑等养殖动物体外培养细 胞系的mTORC1信号通路[60-62]。在泌乳奶牛和仔猪中的 体外实验研究表明, 支链氨基酸能够激活机体的mTORC1 信号通路[63]。长链脂肪酸能够促进猪回肠组织释放GLP-1和GLP-2 [64],而亚油酸的摄入与肉鸡骨骼肌中CD36的 表达水平密切相关[65]。研究表明猪上皮腹泻病毒的感染 与磷脂酰肌醇3-激酶-蛋白激酶B(PKB)-mTORC1信号通 路有关[66]。膳食中补充亮氨酸可以减轻断奶仔猪感染猪 轮状病毒引起的空肠黏膜黏蛋白分泌减少的症状[67]。仔 猪断奶期间出现的肠绒毛变短及肠功能紊乱通常伴随着 mTORC1活性的降低[68]。膳食中补充谷氨酸可以通过激 活mTORC1信号通路,减轻断奶仔猪由脂多糖引起的肠 道损伤和肠炎问题[69]。mTORC1的激活剂如支链氨基酸 等也被发现可以促进断奶仔猪的肌肉生长[70-71]。

肠道中的营养感知系统可以将机体的营养状态传输至 中枢神经系统,在调节猪的摄食行为方面发挥着重要作用 [59]。仔猪的饮食中一般通过添加人工甜味剂来减少其断 4

奶后的肠道疾病,并促进仔猪的生长。近期研究表明人工 甜味剂是通过增强钠-葡萄糖共转运载体1(SGLT1)的活 性以及葡萄糖的吸收发挥作用[72]。味觉受体和肠道中的 营养感知受体在鸡的摄食和食欲调控方面也发挥着关键作 用[73]。

4.2. 水产养殖动物的营养感知

近年来,水产养殖产业开始越来越关注营养感知[3, 6]。鱼类调控生长、摄食和代谢的机制与其他脊椎动物相 同。mTORC1、PPARs以及AMPK等营养感知信号通路在 鱼类中也高度保守[4,74-75]。尽管如此,鱼类的营养感知 也有其独特之处。例如,作为变温动物,鱼类通过促进脂 质分解代谢和自噬来抵抗低温,在这一过程中需要CPT-1 和mTORC1等营养感知通路的参与[76]。此外,哺乳动物 和鱼类中PPARα都是调控脂质分解代谢的关键通路,在 尼罗罗非鱼(Oreochromis niloticus)中高脂饮食并不能激 活PPARα, 而在哺乳动物中高脂饮食可以将其激活并促 进脂质分解。这一发现表明,从进化的角度来看,鱼类应 对高能量饮食的自我保护机制尚未完善[77]。鱼类的多种 组织中都存在餐后营养感知机制,如肠道、肝脏、胰腺、 肌肉和大脑(下丘脑)等[3]。营养感知系统可以通过直 接感知营养素或间接感知代谢中间产物来对机体的营养状 态作出反应。

消化酶、内分泌肽和激素都会对摄食行为产生影响。 下丘脑是一个营养感知信号整合中心,可以通过厌食和促 食神经肽来调节食欲[6]。中枢神经系统的营养感知与外 周神经系统相协调,通过分泌的神经肽和激素调节器官的 代谢活动[78]。早期研究表明,mTORC1活性与摄食行为 相关,并可以调节包括蛋白质合成、糖酵解、糖异生、脂 肪合成在内的多种代谢进程[79-80]。脂肪酸感受器 CD36 在银鱼(*Pampus argenteus*)、草鱼(*Ctenopharyngodon idella*)、大西洋鲑鱼(*Salmo salar* L.)和大黄鱼(*Larimichthys crocea*)中均有表达并受饮食调控[81-84]。研究表 明 PPAR 信号通路的失调与尼罗罗非鱼脂肪肝的发病密切 相关[85]。同样的,膳食中碳水化合物的水平也会影响葡 萄糖感知分子的表达水平(如葡萄糖激酶和 GLUT2)以 及 AMPK 信号通路的活性[78,86-88]。

与陆生动物相比,鱼类饲料对蛋白质的要求更高。鱼 粉作为优质的蛋白源,同时也是一种有限的自然资源,不 能满足水产养殖产业可持续发展的需要[89]。用植物蛋白 源代替鱼粉是水产养殖饲料行业的长期目标,我国在这方 面已经做了大量科研和应用工作。然而尽管水产饲料中鱼 粉的用量减少是必然趋势,也不能否认鱼粉的性能优于其 他蛋白源的事实[90]。我们之前的研究结果表明,以其他 蛋白源替代鱼粉饲喂大菱鲆(*Scophthalmus maximus* L.) 后,大菱鲆餐后mTORC1信号通路的激活被减弱,导致 其对餐后合成代谢的驱动作用也减弱[91–92]。我们通过 进一步的研究表明,氨基酸不平衡[93]、植物蛋白源中的 抗营养因子(如棉酚[94]、皂苷[95]和凝集素[96])的存 在,都会抑制鱼类mTORC1信号通路的激活。在多种鱼 类中的研究表明,饲料中添加mTORC1激活剂,如支链 氨基酸[97]、谷氨酸[98]和磷脂酸[99],能够促进鱼类对饲 料的利用和生长。我们还发现,通过增加摄食频率可以靶 向调控营养感知,提高餐后营养感知系统的激活程度,使 得大菱鲆的生长提高 7.68%,蛋白质保留率提高 4.01% [97]。

5. 将营养感知与动物营养相结合:下一步我们能做什么?

大量研究数据表明,营养感知在代谢和疾病调控中发 挥着重要作用。目前营养感知在临床上已经有广泛的应 用。例如,人们尝试各种形式的禁食、蛋白质限制以及降 低膳食中某些必需氨基酸(如蛋氨酸和支链氨基酸)的水 平,来选择性地调控mTORC1和AMPK信号通路活性以 促进健康[100]。调控营养感知通路相关的疗法(如生长 激素促分泌素)已被开发用于改善患者的认知功能[101]。 相比之下,营养感知与动物营养的结合仍处于起步阶段。 从我们的角度来看,为了动物营养学能更好地发展,从以 下几个方向开展研究是非常必要的。

5.1. 营养感知与饲料配方的相关性研究

目前为止,大多数相关的研究都是通过体外细胞系或 体内动物模型,来阐明对特定营养素感知的基本机制。然 而,实际的饲料配方要复杂得多。传统意义上饲料性能是 通过表型参数来评估的,如生长速率、饲料转化效率、蛋 白质保留率等。阐明相关的营养感知响应机制,对于我们 理解饲料性能以及进一步优化饲料配方是很有价值的。

5.2. 将营养感知与新技术结合来开展未来营养学研究

使用大剂量的同位素标记的方法测定蛋白质合成速率 已有几十年的历史[102]。然而直到最近代谢通量分析 (metabolic flux analysis, MFA)才成为定量代谢分析的重 要工具[103]。MFA的核心概念是细胞内代谢物的同位素 标记模式由代谢通量决定的,因此通过测定标记模式,我 们可以定量地推断出代谢动力学。营养学研究可以利用基 因组学、转录组学、蛋白质组学和代谢组学等丰富的组学 技术,来探究食物与生物系统之间的相互作用。目前利用 系统生物学的方法处理基因组、mRNA、蛋白质和代谢物 信息,已经收集和分析了大量数据,有助于全面了解分子 调控网络。相对的这也需要对高通量信息进行分类和核 实。只有我们充分了解营养感知信号通路对营养素和中间 代谢产物的响应,才能知道细胞和生物体之间如何统一 协作。

5.3. 定向干预营养感知,实现精准营养目标

营养感知分子,特别是mTORC1,已经被当作治疗 靶点来研发新药物。因此精准营养的策略被提出来,旨在 通过调控营养感知的响应,协助对癌症[104]、阿尔茨海 默病[105]、唐氏综合征[106]和肌肉减少症[107]等疾病的 治疗康复。营养感知也为动物营养开辟了一条新的研究途 径。在餐后营养感知动力学的指导下,可以系统地进行饲 料配方优化以提高产出。现在是时候将营养感知和高通量 技术的理论与传统营养学方法相结合,并在精准营养指导 下进行大规模的试点试验,这将为动物营养学的未来奠定 基础。

5.4. 研发用于实时监测动物健康和营养状态的生物标志物 和技术

mTORC1等营养感知分子具有成为生物标志物的潜力:首先这些分子的活性能反映机体营养状态并呈现剂量 依赖性[92,97,108],并且它们对肌肉蛋白沉积和免疫反应 等器官特异性的功能至关重要,因此可以测定这些分子的 活性以预测结果。然而目前仍需要付出大量努力来筛选和 选择潜在的指示养殖动物营养和健康状态的生物标志物。 我们已经见证了生物传感技术与物联网(IoT)集成的迅 速发展,并实现了对养殖动物(如牛)的健康和生物福利 的快速、现场、实时监测[109]。除此之外还开发了传感 器来监测动物的营养状况[110]。尽管如此,仍然有必要 为特定生理目的及特定的品种开发更准确、更高效的监测 技术。这些数据对未来精准养殖业的发展极具价值。

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