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Molecular crosstalk amongst anti-orexigenic ghrelin and adenosine monophosphate-Activated Protein Kinase(AMPK)

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Ghrelin has proved to be a crucial mediator in stimulation of obesity. It elevates appetite by eliminating the action of GHS-R1a of neurological NPY/AgRP thus enhancing orexigenic activity. Such negative effects had been neutralized by the production of auto-ghrelin antibodies which are self-catalytic neutralizing the obese conditions by directly targeting AMPK active site which is known to stimulate appetite. Suppression of AMPK thus playing a central role might eliminate the activation of GHS-R1a thus leading to controlled release of ghrelin hormone. In this study, when mice were fed with high calorie diet exposed to the anti-ghrelin antibodies prepared by ELISA technique, after few hours, anti-ghrelin showed maximum activity thus decreasing ghrelin levels originally present. The aim of this study was to determine the genetic interaction between AMPK and anti-ghrelin thus ultimately targeting obesity.

Biography

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