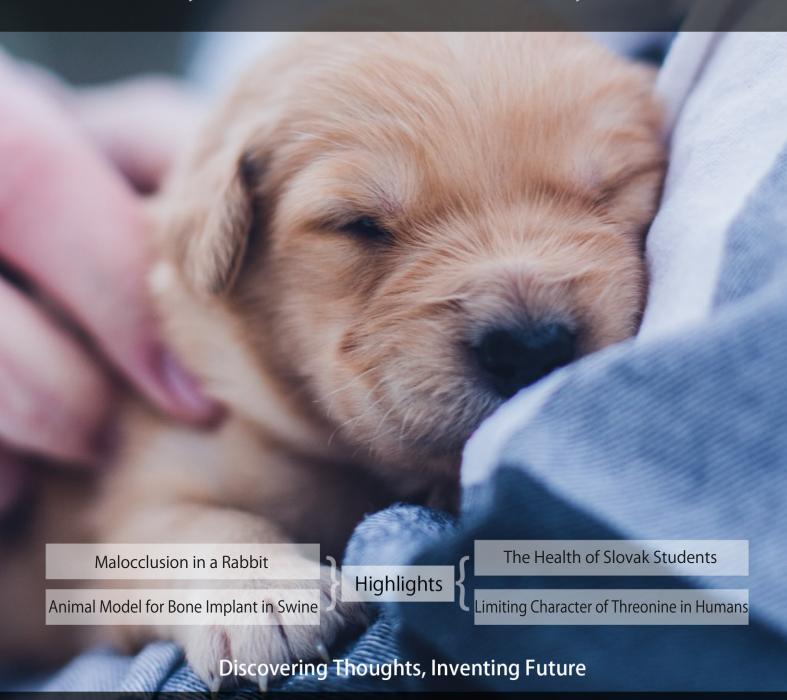
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БИОХИМИЧЕСКИЕ ПРИЧИНЫ НАЛИЧИЯ ЛИМИТИРУЮЩЕГО ХАРАКТЕРА ТРЕОНИНА У НЕКОТОРЫХ МЛЕКОПИТАЮЩИХ И ОТСУТСТВИЯ ЛИМИТИРУЮЩЕГО ХАРАКТЕРА ТРЕОНИНА У ЧЕЛОВЕКА

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Абстрактный- Одни и те же незаменимые аминокислоты могут быть лимитирующими для одних видов животных и не быть лимитирующими для других при сходном рационе. Так, треонин является лимитирующей аминокислотой при зерновом питании для свиней, но не является лимитирующей для человека. При этом лизин является лимитирующей аминокислотой для всех видов животных. В статье на биохимическом уровне показаны причины наличия лимитирующего характера треонина и отсутствие лимитирующего характера треонина на примере свиньи и человека, а также анализируются причины лимитирующего характера той или иной незаменимой аминокислоты, что представляет важность для составления рационов.

КЛЮЧЕВЫЕ СЛОВА: треонин, пераминирование, свиньи, человек.

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Введение

звестно, что белок синтезируется по принципу «все-или ничего», т.е. при отсутствии в пуле хотя бы одной аминокислоты молекула белка не синтезируется. Такая отсутствующая аминокислота называется лимитирующей Необходимо

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здоровом животном отметить, что лимитирующей может быть только незаменимая аминокислота, т.к. заменимая в подобном случае синтезируется и доставляется в рибосому, где собирается молекула белка. При этом видовые различия животных могут влиять на лимитирующий характер той или иной незаменимой аминокислоты. Так, House et al. [1] заявляют, что треонин- обычно вторая или третья лимитирующая аминокислота в питании свиней. основанном на зерновой и соевой пище. Однако более полувека назад Институт питания АМН СССР под руководством академика А.А. Покровского установил, что для человека из 8 незаменимых аминокислот лимитирующими являются лизин, метионин триптофан, причем в первую очередь это касается рациона, основанного на зерновом питании. Для объяснения этого факта необходимо проследить разницу в превращении треонина у свиньи и у человека.

I. Особенности Превращения Треонина у Млекопитающих

Особенности катаболизма треонина млекопитающих. Спартап К. [2] отмечает, что у млекопитающих имеется два пути катаболизма треонина: он может расщепляться треониндегидратазой в цитозоле до NH_4^+ и α -кетомасляной кислоты, которая быстро и необратимо распадается до СО2; а также он может метаболизироваться треониндегидрогеназой в митохондриях до α-аминоацетоуксусной кислоты, обратимо расщепляется аминоацетонсинтетазой до глицина и ацетил-КоА. Последнее маловероятно из-за крайней неустойчивости α-аминоацетоуксусной кислоты, которая прежде, чем подвергнуться действию какого-либо самопроизвольно декарбоксилируется в аминоацетон, который окисляется в аминоацетоновом цикле до конечных продуктов.

В работе Moundras et al. [3] показано, что в гепатоцитах крысы 65 % окисления треонина

осуществляется глициннезависимым треониндегидратазным путем — распад под действием треониндегидратазы. Позднее House et al. [1] это подтвердили своими исследованиями гепатоцитами крысы.

Поскольку треонин является незаменимой аминокислотой, оба фермента должны расщеплять его углеродный скелет необратимо. Если необратимость действия треониндегидратазы не может вызывать необратимость треониндегидрогеназы нуждалась до недавнего времени в специальных доказательствах, т.к. дегидрогеназы, как правило, действуют обратимо. В последние годы на основании работ [4-7] доказана необратимость действия треониндегидрогеназы у млекопитающих Причем в работе [5-7] в качестве объекта для изучения треониндегидрогеназы использовались крысы. Таким образом, опыты с крысами ярко демонстрируют невозможность синтеза у млекопитающих углеродного скелета треонина, иными словами, что треониннезаменимая аминокислота.

Возможность переаминирования треонина млекопитающих. Как известно, единственным путем биосинтеза незаменимых аминокислот, кроме метионина, животных является обратимое переаминирование кетоаналогов этих аминокислот с некоторыми аминокислотами; метионин может также подвергаться обратимому (в итоге) переметилированию, рассмотрение которого выходит за рамки статьи.

Elliott и Neuberger [12] провели эксперимента. Первый эксперимент был проведен на кроликах с относительно малым количеством глицина, содержащего ¹⁵N. Второй эксперимент был проведен на крысах. В нем количество ¹⁵N-глицина было почти в 4 раза выше, чем в эксперименте на кроликах. Включение ¹⁵N при этом было значительно выше как в белках внутренних органов, так и во многих отдельных аминокислотах, особенно в глицине и образующемся из него серине, в то время как лизин и треонин не показывали повышенного содержания ¹⁵N. Отсюда Elliott и Neuberger [12] сделали вывод, что треонин, подобно лизину, не принимает участия в обратимом переносе азота, который наблюдается у других аминокислот, как заменимых, так и незаменимых. Данный стереотип сложился в традиционной биохимии. Так, в [1] говорится, что клетки млекопитающих не обладают необходимыми ферментами переаминирования треонина и потому поступление этой незаменимой аминокислоты в катаболические пути представляет ее необратимую потерю для синтеза белка. В этой работе также сообщается, что треонинвторая или третья лимитирующая аминокислота в питании свиней, основанном на зерновой и соевой пище, как сообщалось выше. При этом ничего не говорится о лимитирующем характере треонина для крыс, на которых была выполнена данная работа.

Между тем Meltzer и Sprinson [13] показали, что после кормления крыс ¹⁵N-меченным лейцином очень малое количество ¹⁵N было обнаружено в треонине, составляя только 2% такового, найденного в глутаминовой кислоте, и менее 1%, выделенного в лейцине из тех же органов. В книге Майстера [4] на основании работ [12,13] делается вывод, что раз некоторое количество азота лейцина все же было обнаружено в молекуле треонина, в организме животного происходит незначительный синтез треонина или же реакции его расщепления частично обратимы. Майстер также не исключает, что отмеченное включение изотопного азота в треонин, возможно, обусловлено действием микрофлоры кишечника. Но если бы последнее имело место, то столь же малое количество азота лейцина было бы обнаружено и в лизине, а этого не наблюдалось [13]. Майстер исключает образование треонина из гомосерина в тканях животных. Невозможность синтеза треонина из гомосерина у животных в XXI веке подтверждена Donini et al. [15].

Т.Т. Березов в своей монографии в 1969 г. указал как на доказанный факт, что в тканях млекопитающих механизм переаминирования является главным путем дезаминирования L-аминокислот и перечисляет все аминокислоты, участвующие в этом процессе [16]. Среди аминокислот Т.Т. Березов называет треонин, но не называет лизин, следовательно, он имеет в виду сами аминокислоты, а не продукты их превращения, потому что продукт превращения лизина α-аминоадипиновая кислота — активно подвергается переаминированию.. Т.Т. Березов в своей работе [16] также отмечает, что переаминирование тканях разнообразными происходить В между монокарбоновыми донорами и акцепторами аминогрупп без участия дикарбоновых аминокислот. К реакциям этого типа относятся процессы переаминирования между рядом аминокислот и пировиноградной кислотой с образованием аланина и соответствующих акетокислот, протекающие в митохондриях печени. Была показана и обратимость этих реакций, а также различная способность отдельных тканей катализировать описанные превращения. Дальнейшие исследования подтверждают возможность переаминирования треонина у крыс. Так, в работе Noguchi T. et al. [17] рассматривается фермент серинпируватаминотрансфераза, выделенный из митохондрий печени крыс и катализирующий переаминирование различных аминокислот как с пировиноградной, так и с фенилпировинградной кислотой. Причем фенилаланин весьма активно переаминируется серинпируватаминотрансферазой С пировиноградной кислотой, то лейцин (в большой степени), треонин (в меньшей степени) и глицин (в очень малой степени) переаминируются ею только с фенилпировиноградной кислотой (схема 1).

Схема 1: Обратимое переаминирование лейцина и треонина с фенилпировиноградной кислотой.

крыс. Что касается субстратной специфичности обоих ферментов, то кроме кинуренина (продукт распада триптофана), они способны катализировать переаминирование многих аминокислот пировиноградной, так и с фенилпировиноградной кислотами. Однако если кинуренинаминотрансфераза мозга хорошо переаминирует почти все аминокислоты с фенилпировиноградной кислотой, кинуренинаминотрансфераза почек не переаминирует с некоторые аминокислоты. Треонин переаминируется с фенилпировиноградной кислотой обеими кинуренинаминотрансферазами, но в почках в небольшой степени, а в мозге так же активно, как и другие аминокислоты, уступая лишь метионину. С пировиноградной кислотой обе кинуренинаминотрансферазы переаминируют только ароматические аминокислоты. Ha лизин обе кинуренинаминотрансферазы действуют, подтверждает отсутствие у него способности к переаминированию. Следовательно, катализируемое кинуренинаминотрансферазой активное переаминирование с фенилпировиноградной кислотой аминокислот. различных включая треонин, подтверждает мысль Т.Т.Березова, о том, что в тканях млекопитающих оно является главным дезаминирования L-аминокислот [16]. Barret [19] отмечает, что млекопитающим, больным уремией и находящимся на низкобелковой диете, давали апроизводные кетокислоты незаменимых аминокислот. Последние синтезировались в организме путем переаминирования. Оказалось, что в виде аминокислот необходимо давать только лизин, для которого отсутствует трансаминаза. В то же время степень использования α-кетокислот для синтеза соответствующих аминокислот различается. Валин, лейцин, изолейцин, метионин и фенилаланин быстро синтезировались путем переаминирования, в то время как гистидин, треонин и триптофан синтезировались в меньшей степени, а синтеза лизина вообще не наблюдали. В свете этого легко объясняется указанный выше следующий факт. Когда кроликов и крыс снабжали рационом с ¹⁵N меченным глицином, в треонин эта метка не включалась: в организме млекопитающих треонин из глицина образовываться не может, а переаминированию подвергается лишь очень незначительная часть глицина. В то же время, обнаружение в треонине ¹⁵N, введенного в организм крысы с лейцином, есть результат переаминирования, которому активно подвергается лейцин и слабо подвергается треонин [19]. Следовательно, обнаружение в треонине (но не в лизине!) ¹⁵N, введенного в организм крысы с лейцином, могло быть только результатом переаминирования.

В работе Ishikawa et al. [18] устанавливается

идентичность кинуренинаминотрансфераз почек и мозга

обратить Стоит также внимание, Т.Т.Березов в [16] считает, что дезаминирование триптофана осуществляется через разрыв индольного ядра с образованием кинуренина и далее 3оксикинуренина, которые или подвергаются переаминированию с а-кетоглутаровой кислотой, или специфической распадаются ПОД действием кинурениназы c образованием аланина. Дезаминирование аланина так же происходит путем переаминирования. Ho В [19] зафиксировано переаминирование триптофана количестве, В соизмеримом с треонином (по последним данным из всех природных аминокислот только лизин не способен подвергаться переаминированию [19,20]). Из этого онжом сделать заключение, что имеется переаминировании аминокислот видовая :так, у крыс треонин подвергается переаминированию, а у свиней не подвергается в литературе сведения о переаминировании треонина у свиней полностью отсутствуют), что обусловливает у последних его лимитирующий характер наряду с лизином и триптофаном при характерном для свиней зерновом питании. Исследования, проведенные Mastellar et al. [21], отрицают лимитирующий характер треонина для лошадей, что наводит на мысль о вероятном переаминировании треонина у лошадей.

II. Особенности Превращения Треонина у Человека

Особенности катаболизма треонина у человека. Zhao et al. [22] не удалось обнаружить у человека скольконибудь заметного превращения треонина плазмы крови в глицин. Edgar в своей работе [23] проводит сравнение генов треониндегидрогеназы человека и животных и делает вывод, что человек в процессе эволюции способность утратил треониндегидрогеназы. Следовательно, необратимый распад треонина под действием треониндегидратазы единственный путь катаболизма треонина у человека, что согласуется с известным фактом, что треонин для человека - незаменимая глюкогенная аминокислота и что α-кетомасляная кислота – предшественник глюкозы.

Вышеизложенное легко объясняет вред избытка треонина в питании для растущих крысят при его отсутствии для младенцев. Имеющаяся у животных треониндегидрогеназа окисляет (у птиц в большей мере, меньшей) млекопитающих-в треонин В аминоацетоуксусную кислоту, которая самопроизвольно декарбоксилируется в амноацетон, окисляющийся до конечных продуктов аминоацетоновом цикле. Но в а-аминоацетоуксусную под действием аминоацетонсинтетазы также превращается глицин путем конденсации с ацетил КоА. Таким образом, у млкопитающих, даже если не происходит превращение треонина в глицин [24,25], эти две аминокислоты конкурируют за окисление в аминоацетоновом цикле. Избыток треонина приводит к гиперглицинемии со всеми вытекающими последствиями. Наиболее грозное гиперглицинемии-почечнокаменная осложнение

болезнь, вызванная окислением глицина в щавелеаую кислоту и отложение ее солей в почках. У людей тоже есть аминоацетоновый цикл и аминоацетонсинтетаза, предназначенные для окисления глицина, отсутствует треониндегидрогеназа. Следовательно, избыток треонина не приводить может гиперглицинемии.

Возможность переаминирования треонина у человека. В пользу последнего говорит тот факт, что более полувека назад установлено Институтом питания АМН СССР под руководством академика А.А. Покровского, что для человека из 8 незаменимых аминокислот лимитирующими являются лизин, метионин и триптофан. Стоит кратко рассмотреть катаболизм этих аминокислот у человека, чтобы сравнить с катаболизмом треонина.

Лизин единственная ИЗ природных способная подвергаться аминокислот, не переаминированию, а потому у позвоночных необратим не только распад углеродного скелета лизина (как у всех других незаменимых аминокислот), дезаминирование этой аминокислоты. Этим объясняется лимитирующий характер лизина для человека.

В настоящее время установлено, что из существующих в организме позвоночных четырех путей распада триптофана в норме 95% этой аминокилоты необратимо распадается по кинурениновому пути [26, 27]. Поскольку у человека в силу его психической деятельности значительно большая часть, чем у коголибо из животных, оставшихся 5% триптофана так же необратимо расходуется на образование серотонина и уж совсем незначительная часть декарбоксилируется в физиологически активный триптамин, вряд ли стоит говорить о количестве триптофана, подвергающегося

обратимому переаминированию. Следовательно, как и у лизина, налицо лимитирующий характер триптофана.

Метионин же легко подвергается переаминированию, но отличие OT других аминокислот незаменимых ДЛЯ него, кроме переаминирования, характерна и другая реакция обратимого распада- переметилирование. Причем все соединения, получающие у метионина метильную группу, не способны ее отдавать (реметелирование образовавшегося гомоцистеина осуществляется двумя путями, из которых один требует витамина В₁₂ и объясняет кроветворное действие последнего, но рассмотрение этих процессов выходит за рамки статьи; в то же время следует отметить, что витамин В₁₂ в животном организме требуется в качестве кофермента только для 2 реакций, которые обе имеют отношение к превращению аминокислот, но к кроветворению-одна). К таким соединениям относится креатин. Если учесть, что за сутки человек выделяет с мочой в среднем 1,5 г креатинина- продукта необратимого распада креатина, TO становится понятным лимитирующий характер метионина.

В то же время никаких свидетельств о лимитирующем характере треонина для человека нет. Это может говорить только об обращении распада треонина, то есть о его переаминировании.

В работе [28] сообщается кинуренинаминотрансферазе, полученной из печени человека. Этот фермент оказался идентичным серинпируватаминотрансферазе И аланинглиоксилатаминотрансферазе. В отличие от серинпируватаминотрансферазы крыс катализирует ОН переаминирование аминокислот ряда пировиноградной, но не с фенилпировиноградной кислотой, причем треонин с ней переаминируется в небольшой степени (схема 2):

Схема 2: Переаминирование треонина с пировиноградной кислотой в печени человека.

В работе [29] рассматриваются амино адипат аминотрансферазы | и || печени человека. Оба фермента способны катализировать обратимое переаминирование с α-кетоглутаровой кислотой не

только α -аминоадипиновой кислоты, но и природных аминокислот, а также кинуренина и орнитина (продукта распада аргинина). Если в отличие от амино адипат аминотрансфераза \parallel амино адипат аминотрансфераза \parallel

не действовала на триптофан и кинуренин, то на остальные аминокислоты, в том числе треонин,

действовали оба фермента в одинаково небольшой степени (схема 3):

Схема 3: Переаминирование треонина с а-кетоглутаровой кислотой в печени человека.

Работа [30] специально посвящена субстратной специфичности кинуренинаминотрансферазе выделенной ИЗ мозга человека. Кинуренинаминотрансфераза оказалась идентична аминоадипатаминотрансферазе. Хотя этот фермент всего катализирует переаминирование кинуренина и а-аминоадипиновой кислоты с акислотой, кетоглутаровой ОН обладает широкой субстратной специфичностью способен И переаминировать 16 аминокислот с 16 α-кетокислотами. Среди первых называется и треонин, но среди вторых его кетоаналог не называется. Из этого можно сделать вывод, что α-кето-β-оксимасляная кислота, будучи химически неустойчивым соединением, быстро (но восстанавливается βдигидроксимасляную кислоту с помощью НАДН или НАДФН и соответствующей дегидрогеназы и потому в организме не обнаруживается.

Итак, отсутствие лимитирующего характера треонина для человека при преобладании зерновых в рационе может объясняться только обратимостью начального этапа его катаболизма-переаминирования, которое у человека имеет место. Стоит обратить внимание, что такие незаменимые аминокислоты, как лейцин, изолейцин, валин и фенилаланин не являются для человека лимитирующими, а все они легко подвергаются переаминированию. высокой способности фенилаланина к переаминированию наряду с лейцином, изолейцином и валином говорит тот факт, что фенилаланин является единственной циклической аминокислотой, которую при уремии заменяют ее акетоаналогом в диете [31]. Необходимо отметить, что лейцина, изолейцина валина переаминирование является единственным путем их катаболизма, то катаболизм фенилаланина в здоровом организме в основном заключается в необратимом окислении в тирозин, что никак не противоречит способности фенилаланина высокой

переаминированию. Даже лимитирующая для человека аминокислота метионин, катаболизм выражается в необратимой потере серы превращения серина в цистеин, активно подвергается переаминированию, о чем говорилось выше. что так же позволяет при уремии заменять метионин безазотистым аналогом в диете [29]. Аналогично катаболизм треонина в организме человека заключается в необратимом распаде треонина под действием треониндегидратазы, что никак не противоречит переаминированию некоторого количества треонина.

Но какова же суточная потребность человека в треонине? Давно установлено, что 0,5 г треонина в сутки является минимальной дозой, обеспечивающей равновесие. Однако количество, гарантирующее азотистое равновесие, у каждой незаменимой аминокислоты должно быть выше в 2 раза этого минимума. Следовательно, для треонина оно будет 1 г в сутки. В то же время академик А.А. Покровский считал, что оптимальное количество белка и незаменимых аминокислот в питании должны не только поддерживать азотистое равновесие, но и обеспечивать сопротивляемость организма к инфекциям вредным агентам внешней среды, другим способствовать улучшению здоровья и повышению работоспособности. Он предлагал 2-2.7 г треонина в сутки. Примечательно, что ФАО предложено весьма близкое количество треонина в сутки-2,8 г. При этом содержание треонина в большинстве рационов доходит до 3 г в сутки, поэтому говорить о его лимитирующем характере для человека не приходится.

III. Заключение

Если исследованных лля всех видов позвоночных, включая человека, незаменимыми являются 8 аминокислот, то лимитирующий характер той или иной незаменимой аминокислоты может отличаться у различных видов. На него могут влиять различные факторы: содержание данной аминокислоты в рационе, способность к обращению начальных реакций катаболизма, расход той или аминокислоты на образование физиологически активных соединений и др. В данной работе на биохимическом уровне показаны лимитирующего характера треонина для свиней и отсутствия этого характера для человека, а также проанализированы различные причины лимитирующего характера той или иной незаменимой аминокислоты, что представляет собой большую важность при составлении рационов.

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Conclusion: Our findings confirm that subjective academic feelings of stress play an important role in eating habit changes and in the origin of digestive disorders in our medical students.

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Introduction

ealthy eating habits are essential in preventing the occurrence of non-communicable diseases including diabetes cardiovascular diseases, stroke and cancer. unhealthy diet and lack of physical activity lead to global health risks. The World Health Organization (WHO) suggests an optimally balanced diet to prevent unhealthy weight gain. Caloric intake should be balanced with its expenditure; total intake of fats should not exceed 30%, and total intake of sugar should not exceed 10% of daily energetic intake, and salts should be kept to a maximum of 5 g per day in order to prevent arterial hypertension, cardiovascular diseases and stroke in adults [1]. WHO's member states signed off on reducing salt intake in the global population by30% by 2025 and agreed to stop growth in the incidence of diabetes mellitus in adults and adolescents and obesity in children by 2025 [2].

Diet is not only affected by social and economic income, food prices, preferences, cultural traditions and geographical) and environmental factors (including climatic changes) but also by a person's psychological state [3]-[4].

The interaction between stress and eating habits is known. Authors Adam and Epel, 2007) have written about situations when individuals choose unhealthy food under stressful conditions. Stress is also linked with higher consumption of sweets and fats [5], salts[6], but also with a reduction in a well-balanced diet (e.g., meat, fruits, vegetables) [7]. Students are often exposed to stressful, competitive academic conditions, and exam periods have been shown to be extremely demanding psychologically [8]. Negative stress effects could lead to the disruption of a healthy lifestyle and to the occurrence of non-communicable diseases [9].

OBJECTIVES H.

It is well known that stress is an essential factor affecting food selection and intake and impacts the origin and development of digestive problems. Stress is a subjective emotion, and every student can feel the stress of another possibility.

The objectives of this study were to compare the eating habits and their changing of the Medical students studied at the Faculty of Medicine in Bratislava. We analysed the students of all six years of the Faculty studying. We had two hypotheses. The first one was that the eating habits changed during the exam period compared to other parts of the academic year (the exam period vs the holiday or teaching period). The second hypothesis was that students in the first and two last academic years feel more stress than in the other academic years.

Materials and Methods III.

a) Participants

A cross-sectional questionnaire study conducted during the academic year 2019/2020 before the COVID pandemic began. Five hundred eighty-seven students from all 1948 medical students (137 men (23.3%) and 450 women (76.7%)) from the 1st to the 6th year took part in the study. The Faculty of Medicine in Bratislava has approximately 350 students (1 male to 3 female) every year. We analysed participants' numbers and gender using the R statistics software.

We were asked to complete a health survey questionnaire on their eating habits through social media. We were inspired by the Eating habits Questionnaire [10].

This study was carried out in accordance with the Code of Ethics of the World Medical Association, Declaration of Helsinki (WMA Declaration of Helsinki, 2013), and The University Board approved the project in terms of its ethical aspects.

The inclusion criteria were – actual study at the Faculty of Medicine in Bratislava, Slovak students (not the international students - their eating habits are different from the Slovak eating habits) and the willingness to voluntarily answer the questions. The exclusion criteria were the blank answers.

All questionnaires were completed, and no participants were excluded from the study. The questionnaire was completed anonymously, and the participants were assured of data confidentiality. All participants provided consent to participate after being debriefed about the true nature of the study.

Eating habits during the examination period of the academic year (according to the study plan schedule) and the rest of the academic year (teaching and holiday) were compared.

b) Questionnaire

The questionnaire included four parts. The first personal data: gender, age contained anthropometric parameters (height and body weight).

The second part of the questionnaire included questions focused on the type of diet; evaluation of eating habits, how often they eat breakfast, where they are used to having lunch, how often they eat snacks (sweet, salty), and how much water they drink daily, how often they drink sweetened drinks and beverages for increasing energy/attention and what nutritional supplements they take.

The next part of the questionnaire focused on changes in body weight, food intake, snacks and energy drinks during the exam period. The final questions concerned the incidence of chronic gastrointestinal tract (GIT) disorders during university studies, changes in the frequency of their occurrence during the examination period, and ways of dealing with GIT disorders.

c) Body Mass Index (BMI)

Body Mass Index (BMI – weight/height²) was calculated by measuring the weight in kilograms and dividing it by height in squared metres[11].

d) Statistical analysis

For statistical analysis, we used Microsoft Excel and GraphPad Prism 9.4.0 (descriptive statistics, absolute values, means, standard deviation, percentages) and the R Statistics Software for the sample size.

IV. RESULTS

Five hundred eighty-seven of all 1948 students completed the questionnaire -137 men (23.3%) and 450 women (76.7%) - between the ages of 18 and 32 years old (mean ages= 22.16±2.58 years). In accepting or rejecting our hypotheses, we received when more than 50% answers were to one question.

Body Mass Index (BMI) is a statistical index using a person's weight and height to estimate body fat in males and females of any age. It defines a person as underweight, normal weight, overweight and obese. In our study, 60.6 % of men (N=83) had normal BMI values, but more than 31.4% (N=43) were overweight. Among women, 77.2% (N=347) of those monitored had normal BMI; however, 15.1% (N=68) were underweight, and 7.3% (N=33) were overweight. The mean value of men's BMI was 34.3±3.32 kg/m², and women's mean BMI was 20.99±2.6 kg/m². Most participants (89.6%) ate a well-balanced diet, including meat products, and only 1.4% of the students were vegans. The option pescatarian was selected by 3.4% of students, Lactovegetarian by 2.7% and a special diet for health reasons (gluten-free, low histamine, lactose-free, dairy-free) by 3.6% of students.

a) Eating habits outside the examination period

During the semester, more than half of students (56.9%) self-evaluated their healthy eating habits as positive. The other answers are in Table 1.

Table 1: Self-evaluation of having healthy eating habits

Rate	N (%)
Yes	70 (11.9)
Rather yes	334 (56.9)
Rather not	150 (25.5)
Not	33 (5.7)

More than half of the participants - 66.6%- ate breakfast daily, and more than half of the students (56.5%) ate lunch in the canteen (Table 2).

Table 2: Frequency of participants having breakfast and their place of eating lunch

Frequency of having breakfast N (%)		
Every day	391 (66.6)	
Irregularly	91 (15.5)	
Seldom	55 (9.4)	
Never	50 (8.5)	
Place of lunch		
Place	N (%)	
Canteen	332 (56.5)	
Cooking by myself	53 (9)	
Restaurant	130 (22.1)	
Fast-food restaurant	60 (10.2)	
Nocooked meal	12 (2.2)	

Almost half of participants ate junk food a few times per week, drank 1 - 2 litres of water per day (48.4%) and rarely drank sweetened drinks (49.5%); the

majority of students (75.3%) drank coffee to increase their attention (Table 3).

Table 3: Frequency of eating fast/fried food/or daily drinking habits and kind of drinks

Frequency of eating fast/fried food N (%)			
Never	7 (1. 3)		
Seldom	126 (21.5)		
2 – 3 times a week	287 (48.8)		
Every day	167 (28.4)		
Daily water intake (litres/day)N (%)			
Less than 0.5 L	16 (2.7)		
0.5 – 1.0 L	138 (23.5)		
1.0 – 2.0 L	284 (48.4)		
More than 2 L	149 (25.4)		
Frequency of drinking sugar-sweetened beverages N (%)			
Never	156 (26.5)		
Seldom	291 (49.5)		
2 – 3 times a week	134 (22.8)		
Every day	6 (1.2)		
Drinks to increase energy/an attention N (%)			
Coffee	442 (75.29)		
Tea	295 (50.25)		
Cola-cola and others	73 (12.43)		
Energy drinks	99 (16.86)		
None	78 (13.28)		

Women took vitamins more often (69.5%) in comparison to men (60%) (Table 4).

Table 4: Dietary supplements

Dietary supplement	Men N (%)		Women N (%)
Vitamins	82 (59.85)		313 (69.55)
Magnesium	55 (40.14)		231 (51.3)
Probiotics	14 (10.21)		72 (16)
Fibre	10 (7.29)		35 (7.77)
Zinc	3 (2.18)		18 (4.0)
Iron	3 (2.18)		7 (1.55)
None	42 (30.65)	85	(18.8)

b) Eating habits during the exam period

Another part of the questions focused on changes in eating habits during the exam period, which is characterised by higher exposure to stress. Half of the women (53.3%) monitored a reduced food consumption under stress exposure (Table 5). Almost half of respondents (47.8%) ate less compared to 25.2% of students who ate more during the exam.

Table 5: Eating habit changes depending on academic year period.

	N (%)
Without changes	158 (27)
During the exam period eating less	281 (47.8)
During the exam period eating more	148 (25.2)
During the exam period eating less – women	240 (53.3)

Almost half of the students (48.8%) eat more junk food during the exam period, and more than half (55.2%) of participants drink more energy drinks. Approximately the same number of students maintained their weight (49.4%) as the lost weight from the study at the medical faculty (50.6%) (Table 6).

Table 6: Changes in eating junk food, drinking energy drinks and changes in body weight depending on the academic year period

Changes in eating junk food depending on academic year period N (%)		
Without changes	280 (47.7)	
Increased during exam period	287 (48.8)	
Decreased during exam period	20 (3.5)	
Changes in appetite depending on academic year period N (%)		
Without changes	250 (42.5)	
Increased during exam period	324 (55.2)	
Decreased during exam period	13 (2.3)	
Changes in body weight from the study at the medical faculty N (%)		
No changes in body weight	290 (49.4)	
Weight loss always during exam periods	297 (50.6)	

i. Gastrointestinal problems during exam periods

The final questions on the questionnaire focused on the incidence of gastrointestinal tract (GIT) disorders and on ways of solving these health issues. Less than half of men (42.3%) and less than one-third of women (26.9%) had no digestive problems. Almost half of the women had diarrhoea (45.55%), abdominal cramps (42.22%) and nausea (37.11%), vomiting (15.33%), gastroesophageal reflux (GER) (7.74%) and constipation (14.8%). Among male students digestive problems occur less often: diarrhoea (26.2%),abdominal cramps (16.7%), nausea (19.7%), vomiting GER (16.05%) and constipation (6.56%) (9.48%),(Table 7).

Table 7: Occurrence of gastrointestinal tract disorders in participants during their study at university

Gastrointestinal disorders	Men (N/%)	Women (N/%)
None	58 (42.3)	121 (26.9)
Diarrhoea	36 (26.2)	205 (45.55)
Abdominal cramps	23 (16. 7)	190 (42.22)
Nausea	27 (19.7)	167 (37.11)
Vomiting	13 (9.48)	69 (15.33)
Gastroesophageal reflux (GER)	22 (16.05)	35 (7.74)
Constipation	9 (6.56)	67 (14.8)

Two-thirds of female students (66.6%) and almost half of male students (46.72%) noted an increased frequency of digestive problems during exam periods(Table 8). Among the students with lower

appetite during exam periods, 75.08% had digestive problems more often precisely in this period. Among the students with the same appetite during the academic year, 60.1% noted some form of digestive problems during the exam period. Half of the respondents (50.6%) with a greater appetite during the exam period also had a higher frequency of digestive problems (Table 6). Among students with a higher energy drink consumption frequency, two-thirds (67.6%) had digestive problems more often (Table 6).

Table 8: The frequency of gastrointestinal tract disorders depends on the academic year period.

	Men (N/%)	Women (N/%)
Without changes	73 (53.28)	168 (37.34)
Increased during exam period	64 (46.72)	282 (66.66)
Decreased during exam period	-	-

Among students with digestive problems, 63.2% did not solve their problems, 13.28% decided on a change of diet, 11.75% took over-the-counter drugs, 10.2% visited a doctor, and 9.2% drank digestive tea (Table 9).

Table 9: Solving gastrointestinal tract disorders by the participants

	N (%)
Did not solve the GIT disorder	371 (63.2)
Diet	78 (13.28)
Taking an over-the-counter drug	69 (11.75)
Drinking digestive tea	54 (9.2)
Visiting a doctor	60 (10.2)

V. Discussion

This study monitors the changes in diet in Slovak medical students under stress (academic stress) exposure during the exam period of the academic year before the Covid pandemic. Most respondents had normal weight, but one-third of the men were overweight. In Polish, Hungarian and American students, a higher incidence of overweight in men was also noted in comparison to women [12]-[14]. On the other hand, the obesity of Iranian students has proportionally reversed: 22.5% of Iranian women were overweight in comparison to 7.3% of Slovak women. and 7.9% of Iranian men were overweight in contrast to 31.4% of Slovak men [15]. The prevalence of obesity among university students was caused by their socioeconomical situation, as well as ethnicity, education, income, culture, eating and exercise habits. The higher incidence of overweight in male students in comparison to women may also be caused by different amounts of muscle mass; thus, a better indicator of obesity is measuring the amount of fat and its distribution in the body [16].

The majority of Slovak medical students reported eating a varied diet that included animal products (an omnivorous type of diet), and only 1.4% were vegans. Studies show that vegans have a low body mass index (BMI) and low cholesterol levels in blood plasma [17]. The Mediterranean diet appears to be ideal for preventing cardiovascular diseases and obesity [18], [19]. We can speak about the Mediterranean diet as it is composed of extra virgin olive oil, fresh fruit, vegetables, cereals, nuts, legumes, fish, meat, dairy products, red wine and low amounts of eggs and sweets [20].

In our study, more than half of the participants had breakfast regularly, the same as Chilean students, who ate breakfast 5 - 7 times per week [21] The percentage distribution of the diet during the day affects body composition. Chilean students with a low-fat body percentage consumed almost 19% of their daily intake at breakfast, whereas students with a high body fat percentage consumed only 8.9% of their daily intake for breakfast [22].

Eating junk food can increase body weight. In our study, 48.8% of students consume junk food a few times per week. Caso et al., [23] and [24] confirmed that overweight students eat junk food more often and mainly during times of negative emotions (sadness, anger, fear, academic stress) in comparison to students with normal weight [23].

Slovak and American students drink coffee to improve concentration. In addition, American students drink coffee to increase attention (79%), because of its taste (68%), for socialising (39%), to improve physical energy (27%) and mood (18%), and to relieve stress (9%) [25].

Stress is defined as the state of affairs arising when a person relates to situations in certain ways. People are not disturbed by conditions but by how they appraise and react to situations. In general, a person experiences stress when demands exceed a person's coping abilities, resulting in reactions, as disturbances of cognition, emotion and behaviour, which can adversely affect well-being. The majority of students experience academic stress [26], and the exam period appears to be the main source of stress [27]. Academic stress refers to the stress associated with the academic environment, writing tests, performing difficult cognitive tasks or being evaluated [28] The current literature offers inconsistent findings regarding gender relative to perceived levels of stress [29]. Ng et al., [30] found that females were more likely to feel as though they experienced higher levels of stress, which was in agreement with Thawabien [31]. In addition, female students reported more stress-related issues, such as low self-esteem, pressure from exams and depression [31]. However, no gender differences in coping with stress were found by Donaldson [32].

Exposure to stress factors can lead to gastrointestinal problems [33]. Knowles et al.,[34]monitored significantly more digestive problems, increased levels of cortisol and decreased amounts of bacterial strains before exam periods. These findings play an important role in the prevention and therapy of digestive problems during stress periods. Increased levels of cortisol are characteristic of chronic stress [35] and there is a relationship between abdominal obesity and higher levels of cortisol [36]. Activation of the sympathetic adrenal medullary system, with the release catecholamines (epinephrine and norepinephrine) during the acute stress response, leads to a reduction of appetite [35].

Stress can cause an increased or decreased appetite. Chronic stress is characterised by a preference for junk food (with high levels of fat and sugar), and studies show that chronic stress can lead to overweight, mainly in the male population [35]. In our study, half of the respondents consumed less; however, during the examination period, they consumed more junk food. Caso [23] confirmed that academic stress is connected with higher consumption of junk food. Oliver [7] found that approximately the same number of students ate less (38%) or more (42%) food during examination periods. In contrast, the appetite of English students did not change: there were changes in the macronutrient intake ratio, but total calorie intake did not change during exam periods [37]. In our study, half the participants (55.1%) drank energy drinks to improve their concentration, and approximately the same number of students (50%) lost weight or did not change in weight during academic stress.

In general, stress can increase or decrease appetite, and a well-balanced diet and BMI can also be affected by gender [6]. Stress-eaters (people who eat more under negative emotions, such as fear and sadness) more often choose a high fat and/or high carbohydrate diet under stress conditions [38].

Brain signals can affect the motor, sensory and secretory modalities of the gastrointestinal tract; however, gut signals are affected by emotional behaviour. Stress and pain modulate this system using the nervous, endocrine and immune systems. As a result, the gut-brain axis has changed to the microbiota-gut-brain axis. Therapy with probiotics appears to be suitable for abdominal dysfunction caused by stress. Kato-Kataoka et al. [39] monitored the effect of the probiotic bacteria Lactobacillus case is train Shirota on abdominal dysfunction in a double-blind study composed of students before an exam period. They monitored the positive effect of daily intake of probiotics. They found that whereas cortisol levels were

significantly increased in the placebo group, in the group with probiotic intake the amount of bacterial strains in the gut microbiota was significantly increased. percentage of members of the Bacteroidaceae was significantly reduced.

Exposure to stress factors plays a key role in the development of visceral pains (e.g. functional gastrointestinal diseases; irritable bowel syndrome [40]. In our study, almost 60% of students had digestive problems during the examination period, and women, in particular, suffered from diarrhoea, abdominal cramps, nausea and constipation. Yildirim et al. [41] confirmed the interaction between stress and constipation in Turkish medical students. They also monitored the percentage increase in the number of students with constipation depending on the year of study. Abdominal aroma and meridian massage positively affect constipation and frequency of defecation in female students. Application of abdominal massages leads to a reduction of drug intake and can help to release stress during an exam period [42]. Stress appears to be one of the factors affecting the origin of irritable bowel syndrome. The prevalence of irritable bowel syndrome in Chinese students was 15.7%, and the most common symptoms were changes in stool consistency, frequency of defecation and the presence of abdominal pain released with defecation. The symptoms appeared more often in female students. Psychological and psychosomatic symptoms of affairs and depression were more common in patients with irritable bowel syndrome [43]; therefore, increased demands on students' psyche during exam periods could lead to digestion problems. Polish students with a lack of physical activity repeatedly suffered from digestive problems and were frequently more absent from school because of abdominal pains than students with a sufficient amount of physical activity [44].

a) Limitations

The present study has several limitations. Data were collected and evaluated from Slovak medical students, who filled answers themselves; thus, the participants in our study do not necessarily represent the nutrition of Slovak medical students in general.

VI. Conclusions

In conclusion, this is the first study dealing with the nutrition issues of Slovak medical students depending on the period of the academic year. Our results suggest that in higher exposure to stress, mainly during exam periods, the participants consumed less food but more junk food and energy drinks, leading to overweight or obesity. We confirmed the assumption that academic stress plays an essential role in the origin of digestive problems, which could be decreased by nutrition education and effective approaches to cope with stress during university life.

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I. Introduction

with the evolution of science and technology, especially in the field of medicine, the use of Animal Models for the evolution of techniques and treatments have become of paramount importance. Galen (129-210 AD), a precursor of experimental medical research with the use of animals inspired supporters of this study plan, but it was Claude Bernard in 1865, who launched the principles of its use in the work "Introduction to the Study of Experimental Medicine" establishing the rules and principles for such. From then on, the significance of using animal models gained more attention and relevance¹.

In orthopedics, an anatomy closer to the human anatomy is required, as well as a similar pathophysiological and histological composition, in order to present relevant results².

Several animal test models, such as rats/mice^{3,4,5}, rabbits^{3,6,7}, dogs^{3,8,9}, sheep^{3,10,11}, goats^{3,12,13}, and pigs^{3,14,15}, have been developed to simulate environment and physical conditions testing the biocompatibility of human bone substitute

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biomaterials "in vivo". In order to simulate various orthopedic situations, many defect sites that have been explored, such as calvaria^{3,16,17}, femur/tibia^{3,18,19} and ulna^{3,20,21,22}.

Factors should be considered when selecting a specific animal species as a test model. First, the chosen animal model should clearly demonstrate significant physiological and pathophysiological analogies compared to humans. Second, it should assess whether it is possible to operate and observe a multitude of study objects after surgery over a period of time²³. Other selection criteria include acquisition and care costs, availability of the animal, acceptability by society, tolerance to captivity, and ease of housing24. According to the international standard, we should also consider the size of the implant test specimens, number of implants per animal, intended test duration, and possible differences between species when correlated with biological responses²⁵.

In the present study, pigs were preferred as anatomical models. This choice was initially due to the greater morphological/anatomical similarity with humans, besides the ease of releasing them for in vivo study. Following the choice of pigs as animal models, we specified the need for anatomical regions whose histology presented cortico-spongy regions. This histology is present in metaphyses of long bones, such as the femur and the tibia. We limited the study to the tibia, since it has a triangular shape and the anteromedial region of its proximal third is basically subcutaneous, thus facilitating its approach.

A new procedure that will facilitate the evaluation of biocompatibility and recovery after cortico-cancellous implants in Medicine and Veterinary Medicine in the specialties of Orthopedics, Traumatology, Dentistry and Neurology will be presented in this work.

II. Material and Methods

Work performed in the Veterinary Surgical Center of the Mafra Campus of UNC

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Fig. 1 A: UNC Veterinary Surgical Center (Campus Mafra - SC)

Fig. 1 B: Procedure room with specific lighting, instrumentation and anesthesia equipment.

Preparation of materials and surgical specimen (Figure 2)



Fig. 2: Prepared materials and part

After localization of the knee joint with 2.0 Kurschner wire, the anteromedial surface of the proximal tibia is accessed with a 3.5 cm incision with a number 23 blade up to the periosteum (Figures 3 A and 3 B).





Fig. 3 A: After passing the Kirschner wire in the knee joint, a 3.5 cm incision is made on the anteromedial surface of the proximal third of the tibia.

Fig. 3 B: Incision up to the periosteum with incision and exposure of the bone surface.

As a guide we use 2.0 kurschner wire and then we drill with a 6 mm drill (Figures 4 A and 4 B).



Fig. 4 A: Drilling with kurschner 2.0 guide wire on tibial Fig. 4 B: Following the guide wire, it is drilled 20 mm anteromedial surface

deep with a 6 mm drill.

Following the guide wire, an 8 mm x 20 mm screw is inserted by turning it up to the tibial cortical surface (Figures 5 A and 5 B).





Fig. 5 A: 80X20 mm implant is screwed following the guide wire

Fig. 5 B: Until aligned with the cortical surface of the Tibia

Repeat the procedure at 25 millimeters from the center of the first wire and at 50 millimeters fixing two more screws (Figures 6)

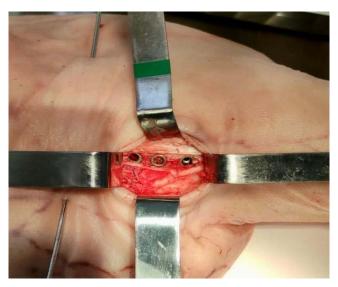


Fig. 6: Fixation of the three interference screws in the medial Antero surface of the proximal third of the tibia After fixing the screws, the periosteum is sutured, the intra-articular thread is removed, and the skin is sutured. (Figures 7 A and 7 B)





Fig. 7 A: Periosteal suture Fig. 7 B - Skin suture

Radiographic study was done post procedure to visualize the positioning of the implants (Figures 8 A in Posterior Antero and 8 B in Profile)



Fig. 8 A: AP X-ray (Posterior Anterolateral) - Porcine tibia

III. Results and Discussions / Theoretical Framework

Pigs are considered close representative models with regard to bone anatomy, morphology, healing capacity, remodeling, mineral density, and concentration^{26,27}. Similarities in femur cross-sectional diameter and area have been found between humans and pigs²⁸. Pigs have a lamellar bone structure similar to humans²⁹. However, pigs have a denser trabecular network that is considered to be intricate. They are difficult to handle, noisy, and aggressive; therefore, pigs are often overlooked in favor of more receptive species such as sheep and goats^{30,31}. In addition, the length of tibias and femurs in pigs is relatively short, which cannot meet the special needs of human implants. The pig was the animal chosen for critical size defect models to test substitute biomaterials because its bone regeneration rate (1.2 and 1.5 mm/d) is comparable to that of humans (1.0 and 1.5 mm/d)²².

Commercial pigs are generally considered undesirable for orthopedic research because of their high growth rates and very high body weight. The development of minipigs and micropigs has overcome this problem to some extent. However, in our region, these animals are easy to obtain and manage, making the application of this Animal Model quite easy.

IV. Conclusão

It was possible to design the Animal Model in pigs for cortico-spongy implants that is simple and reproducible to execute.



Fig. 8 B: Profile X-ray study - Porcine tíbia

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Abstract- Dental malocclusion is a highly prevalent pathology in domestic rabbits, usually resulting from food management errors. The present study aims to report the procedures used in a rabbit treated at the Veterinary Hospital in João Pessoa, Paraíba, affected by this pathology and to highlight the clinical characteristics and the treatment of occlusal adjustment, made through tooth wear, presented by this species in this condition.

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Malocclusion in a Rabbit – Case Report

Má Oclusão Em Um Coelho – Relato De Caso

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Resumo- A má oclusão dentária é uma patologia de alta prevalência em coelhos domésticos, normalmente proveniente de erro de manejo alimentar. O presente estudo tem como objetivo relatar os procedimentos utilizados num coelho atendido no Hospital Veterinário em João Pessoa, Paraíba, acometido desta patologia e destacar as características clínicas e o tratamento de ajuste oclusal, realizado através do desgaste dentário, apresentado por esta espécie nessa condição.

Palavras-Chave: coelho, má oclusão, ajuste oclusal, desgaste dentário.

Abstract- Dental malocclusion is a highly prevalent pathology in domestic rabbits, usually resulting from food management errors. The present study aims to report the procedures used in a rabbit treated at the Veterinary Hospital in João Pessoa, Paraíba, affected by this pathology and to highlight the clinical characteristics and the treatment of occlusal adjustment, made through tooth wear, presented by this species in this condition.

Keywords: rabbit, malocclusion, occlusal adjustment, tooth wear.

I. Introdução

má oclusão dentária é uma patologia de alta prevalência (aproximadamente 70%) em pets não convencionais como coelhos e demais roedores FECCHIO, Roberto (2022), com manifestações clínicas tardias, sinais inespecíficos, dificil identificação por parte dos proprietários e médicos veterinários, que muitas vezes. encontram-se despreparados para acontecimentos. Obietivou-se com este trabalho evidenciar as características clínicas e os procedimentos utilizados no tratamento de um caso de má oclusão dentária em coelho, atendido no Hospital Veterinário em João Pessoa. Paraíba. Foi realizado exame clínico e exames de imagem (estudo radiográfico do crânio) e indicado o procedimento odontológico de ajuste consta no desgaste imprescindível a pacientes dessa espécie acometidos por esta patologia. Foi também indicada a correção da dieta oferecida regularmente ao animal.

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II. Revisão de Literatura

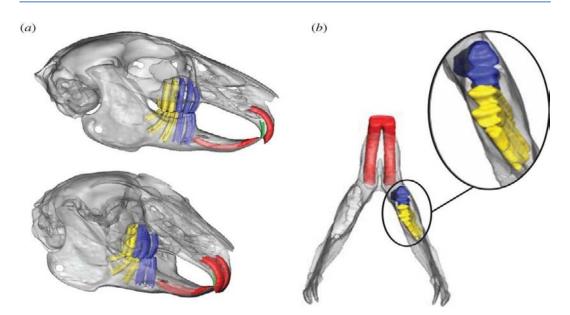
Lagomorfos (coelhos) e os demais roedores são animais de estimação cada vez mais populares. E neles encontramos uma alta incidência de problemas bucais/dentários que o médico veterinário precisa ser capaz de identificar e gerenciar. A maioria dos problemas relacionada às peculiaridades anatômicas de sua dentição em combinação com a má criação, ou seja, alimentação não abrasiva resultando em desgaste anormal e má oclusão GORREL, Cecilia (2013). A má oclusão dos incisivos, portanto, é comum em coelhos segundo VESTRAETE, Frank (2005). Se esta condição ocorre como uma entidade isolada em idade precoce, provavelmente tem origem genética, mas quando a má oclusão dos incisivos se dá em animais mais velhos geralmente é secundária e/ou ocorre concomitantemente com a má oclusão pré-molar molar. FECCHIO, Roberto (2022) afirma ser uma patologia de prevalência (aproximadamente 70%), manifestações clínicas tardias, sinais inespecíficos, dificil identificação por parte dos proprietários e médicos veterinários, que muitas vezes, encontram-se despreparados para tais acontecimentos.

Os coelhos, lebres e pikas são mamíferos pertencentes à ordem dos lagomorfos, são herbívoros que em seu habitat natural pastejam grande quantidade de vegetação dura, energeticamente pobre, bastante fibrosa (rica em sílica, hemicelulose, celulose e lignina), seus movimentos mastigatórios vigorosos e constantes promovem o desgaste dentário alto. domesticação afetou sobremaneira a dieta desta espécie pois hoje de acordo com FECCHIO; Roberto (2022) a dieta encontra-se por vezes desbalanceada, havendo uma oferta excessiva de ração peletizada (com alto valor energético, baixo teor de fibras), muito oferecimento de petiscos (em forma de frutas e verduras) e pouca oferta de alimentos fibrosos gerando perda nos movimentos mastigatórios e baixa taxa de desgaste dentário além de disfunções gastrointestinais FERREIRA, Larissa (2020).

A dentição dos coelhos é o tipo heterodonte, todos os dentes são elodontes (crescem por toda a vida) o número de dentes é 28 e tem fórmula dentária: l2/1, C0/0, P3/2, M3/3. O músculomasseter é o principal músculo da mastigação; o músculo temporal é pequeno; portanto, o processo coronoide é pequeno; o crânio é fenestrado; existem grandes processos semelhantes a asas nos ossos frontais; há um grande

forame incisivo; há uma ponte palatina entre os prémolares formados por porções dos ossos maxilar e palatino; possuem grandes bolhas timpânicas EMILY, Peter (2021). A mandíbula superior do coelho contém três pré-molares e três molares, enquanto a mandíbula inferior possui dois pré-molares e três molares através da visualização das raízes dosdentes a partir dos dados de micro tomografia computadorizada observou-se que pré-molares da mandíbula têm raízes predominantemente orientadas verticalmente (Fig. 1). Em comparação, enquanto as raízes molares na maxila também são verticais, elas têm uma orientação mais posterolateral na mandíbula. WATSON, Peter J. (2014). A altura média da coroa dos incisivos mandibulares e maxilares em coelhos domésticos adultos é de 6,0 mm. A profundidade de sondagem periodontal saudável normal dos incisivos inferiores em coelhos é de 5 a 6 mm. Os pré-molares e molares são agrupados como uma unidade funcional com uma superfície oclusal relativamente horizontal com dobras transversais de esmalte para triturar e picar alimentos fibrosos difíceis. As dobras de esmalte correspondem à invaginação profunda do esmalte no lado palatino dos dentes da bochecha maxilar e no lado vestibular dos dentes da bochecha mandibular. As dobras do esmalte são preenchidas com material semelhante ao cemento e são visíveis do lado de fora como sulcos desenvolvimento. O esmalte periférico é mais espesso nas superfícies linguais dos dentes maxilares e nas superfícies vestibulares dos dentes maxilares. O músculo masseter é muito maior que o músculo temporal, e o processo coronóide é pequeno em comparação com o dos carnívoros (como uma adaptação da ingestão de alimentos fibrosos e duros). A oclusão é anisognata – o arco maxilar é mais largo que o arco mandibular. O plano oclusal é inclinado aproximadamente 10° em direção à horizontal. A forma articulação temporomandibular principalmente movimento lateral considerável, mas muito pouco movimento rostrocaudal. Os incisivos inferiores ocluem entre o primeiro e o segundo incisivos superiores VESTRAETE. Frank (2005).

O crescimento excessivo do dente geralmente resulta em má oclusão. As complicações da má oclusão incluem: Traumatização dos tecidos moles orais (bochechas, língua) pelos dentes crescidos; supercrescimento apical com penetração resultante dos dentes superiores nas cavidades oculares e/ou seios supercrescimento apical dos dentes nasais: mandibulares com penetração resultante da borda ventral do osso alveolar na mandíbula; abscesso retrobulbar e/ou facial; incapacidade de fechar a boca; incapacidade de mastigar (movimento de corte lateral em lagomorfos) segundo GORREL, Cecilia (2013); obstrução do canal lacrimal que de acordo com TEIXEIRA, M. (2021) os lagomorfos possuem uma anatomia de crânio que os predispõe justificando a alta prevalência da condição na espécie. Os coelhos possuem apenas um ponto lacrimal, que se situa na margem palpebral inferior. Este ponto leva a um pequeno canalículo que dilata e dá origem ao ducto nasolacrimal que desemboca nas narinas. O ducto nasolacrimal é tortuoso passando através dos ossos lacrimais e maxilares e correndo próximo ao ápice dos dentes molares e incisivos maxilares. O ducto nasolacrimal dos coelhos também apresenta uma mudança abrupta de diâmetro em seu trajeto, especificamente na curvatura medial ao passar através da incisura infratroclear e do forame do osso lacrimal e entrar no canal nasolacrimal ósseo, localizado medial ao osso maxilar junto com o recesso maxilar. Além disso, a relação íntima do ducto nasolacrimal com as estruturas dentárias dos coelhos deve ser ressaltada, já que seu trajeto é próximo das coroas de reserva dos dentes incisivos e molares maxilares. Em um estudo com 28 coelhos com dacriocistite, 50% dos animais apresentavam doença dentária como causa de base. A dacriocistite secundária a doença dentária se dá pela projeção do ápice dentário em sentido dorsal dos dentes maxilares. Esses dentes são intimamente localizados próximos ao trajeto do ducto nasolacrimal nos coelhos e a projeção dos ápices dentários pode levar a uma irritação mecânica do ducto gerando inflamação, estenose parcial e até obstrução completa FERREIRA, Larissa (2020).



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Fig. 1: Visualização da raiz do dente molar e incisivo através dos dados da microtomografia computadorizada: (a) vista lateral e oblíqua; (b) close-up das raízes dos dentes da mandíbula. Os pré- molares (azul) têm raízes predominantemente orientadas verticalmente, enquanto os molares (amarelo) têm uma orientação mais pósterolateral.

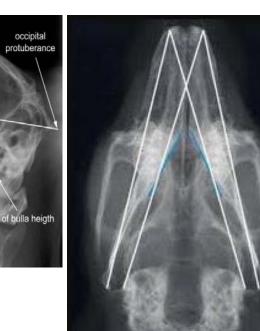
O exame da cavidade oral de roedores e coelhos domésticos faz parte de todo exame físico e é muito importante para o diagnóstico da síndrome do desgaste dentário inadequado, que leva ao hipercrescimento dentário e consequentemente a problemas sistêmicos, no entanto, o exame oral em um animal consciente fornecerá apenas informações limitadas. O exame oral definitivo só pode ser realizado sob anestesia geral SOARES, Helena Baggio (2018). Tem havido inúmeras publicações nas últimas duas décadas descrevendo alterações patológicas específicas observadas nas espécies. Muitos deles diferentes apontam a importância de um exame radiográfico completo do crânio usando múltiplas visualizações e dão alguns conselhos úteis sobre o tratamento, como o uso de linhas de referência anatômicas que simplificam muito a explicação dos problemas bucais aos proprietários do animal (Fig. 2 e 3), pois eles podem ver claramente a extensão das alterações. Isso permite que eles entendam melhor as recomendações de tratamento e quaisquer complicações associadas BOEHMER, E (2009). Ao incluir a radiografia como ferramenta diagnóstica, o número de pacientes relatados que sofrem de má oclusão causada por diferentes alterações periodontais e dentárias patológicas chega a até 88% da população clínica geral BOEHMER, Christine (2020).

Os estudos radiográficos da cabeça incluem projeções radiográficas laterais, dorsoventral, rostro caudal e, quando necessário, incidências oblíguas. Para projeções laterais e oblíguas, o paciente é colocado em decúbito lateral. Para projeções dorsoventral, o paciente é posicionado em decúbito ventral. Pequenas cunhas de espuma radiolúcida podem ser necessárias para um posicionamento preciso antes que a cabeça seja presa ao cassete. As projeções radiográficas oblíquas requerem rotação de 30 graus ou menos da projeção lateral reta. As projeções oblíguas são descritas pelo ponto de entrada do feixe de raios-x até o ponto de saída. Diretrizes de exposição radiográfica para roedores, coelhos usando técnica de mesa e distâncias de filme focal de 40 polegadas (102 cm) para extremidades e 38 polegadas (97 cm) para todos os outros estudos. Aplica-se de 6-7,5 mAs e de 54-58 kV para pequenos a grandes coelhos SILVERMAN, Sam (2005).

occipital

tip of nasal bone

alveolar crest at proximal end of hard palate



Fonte: E. Boehmer; D. Crossley: Objective interpretation of dental disease in small mammals

Fig. 2: Linhas de referência anatômicas radiográficas de um coelho clinicamente saudável. Vista Latero Lateral.

Fig. 3: Linhas de referência anatômicas radiográficas de um coelho clinicamente saudável. Vista Dorso Ventral.

Para que haja um equilíbrio da saúde oral desses animais, a taxa de crescimento dentáriodeve ser mais ou menos igual à taxa de desgaste dentário; assim, os dentes se mantêm sempre do mesmo tamanho e o animal preserva a saúde oral. GORREL, Cecilia (2013) citando Wiggs & Lobprise, 1995 diz que os incisivos são usados principalmente em um movimento de fatiamento lateral, de modo que cortam mais ou menos seus alimentos em pedaços menores e apreensíveis. Os incisivos superiores grandes crescem a uma taxa média de 2,0 mm por semana e os incisivos inferiores a uma taxa de 2,4 mm por semana. As técnicas para tratamento e controle consitem nacirurgia de ajuste oclusal, que de acordo com FECCHIO, Roberto (2022), precisa ser feita com equipamentos específicos para a espécie (uma vez que coelhos possuem uma prega de mucosa localizada logo atrás dos incisivos que divide a cavidade oral em duas câmaras: anterior e posterior), proceder o desgaste dentário fazendo odontosecção dos incisivos com brocas específicas (carbide esférica nº 8, carbide cônicas nº 701, 702, 703 e brocas cilindricas diamantadas ou disco de corte), sempre com proteção adjacente aos tecidos moles, irrigação e resfriamento das mesmas, além de luxadores curvos para os casos de exodontia e posterior correção do manejo alimentar.

Relato de Caso III.

Foi atendido no dia 21 de Agosto de 2021, no Hospital Veterinário Jefferson Ricardo em João Pessoa, Paraiba uma coelha de aproximadamente 01 ano de idade, fêmea, inteira, pesando 1,9 kg, com histórico de ter sido perseguida no dia anterior por um cachorro no condomínio ondemora, e desde então ficou quieta e sem querer comer. O animal apresentava-se tranquilo ao exame físico, permitindo a manipulação, parâmetros fisiológicos sem alterações dignas de nota. Na avaliação clínica específica da cabeça constatou-se epífora no olho esquerdo, fato este que na anamnese a tutora relatou já estar presente antes da queixa principal ter ocorrido, a cavidade oral foi examinada com a visualização rostral do desalinhamento dos incisivos por meio do simples afastamento dos lábios (Fig. 4 e 5) e em seguida o animal foi deitado em decúbito dorsal no coloda tutora e utilizou-se um espéculo vaginal metálico (para a abertura das bochechas) e uma micro câmera (para registrar a imagem intra oral) (Fig. 6 e 7) onde visualizou-se a formação de pontas dentárias no sentido lingual dos pré molares mandibulares direito e esquerdo. Ao ser questionada sobre a dieta, a tutora relatou que era exclusivamente ração peletizada e frutas (banana, pera e eventualmente pepino e couve).





Fonte: Arquivo pessoal do autor

Fig. 4: Desalinhamento oclusal dos Fig. 5: Desalinhamento oclusal dos incisivos inferiores. Vista Rostral.

incisivos inferiores. Vista Lateral.



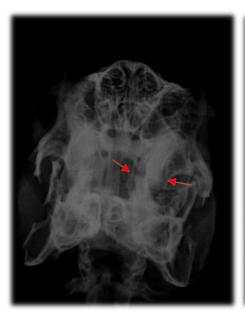


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inferior esquerdo (seta vermelha). Vista rostral intraoral.

Foi realizado a coleta de sangue para exames laboratoriais e o paciente foi encaminhado para estudo radiográfico do crânio, onde foi requisitado três projeções a saber: rostro caudal, ventro dorsal e latero lateral (Fig. 8, 9 e 10) e analisado de acordo com BOEHMER, E, 2009 as linhas de referência anatômica para a espécie fechando o diagnóstico de má oclusão dentária pordesgaste ineficiente.

Fig. 6: Ponta dentária em pré molar Fig. 7: Pré molar inferior direito. Vista rostral intraoral.

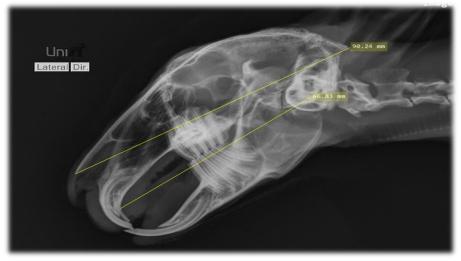




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Fig. 8: Radiografia de crânio projeção rostro caudal. Visualização de pontas dentárias evidenciadas pelas setas vermelhas

Fig. 9: Radiografia de crânio projeção dorso ventral. Leve desalinhamento dentário na borda medial do ramo mandibular direito, sobrepuljando a linha de referência anatômica amarela, evidenciado em vermelho



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Fig. 10: Radiografia de crânio projeção latero lateral visualização de crescimento dentário dos pré molares e molares sobre a mesa oclusal (linha amarela nº 1 traçada do início do palato duro ao terço inferior da bula timpânica) e também visualização de crescimento da coroa de reserva acima da linha amarela nº 2 que vai do osso nasal ao osso occipital (sugerindo crescimento retrógrado), evidenciado pelas setas vermelhas.

No dia 13 de Setembro de 2021 no Hospital Veterinário Jefferson Ricardo, situado em João Pessoa, Paraíba, o paciente foi operado. O tratamento consistiu na redução da coroa clínicados incisivos por meio de odontosecção com disco de corte diamantado (Fig. 11 e 12) e dos pré molares e molares usando a peça reta com uma broca carbide esférica nº 8, buscando a oclusão correta dos incisivos, que acontece quando os

incisivos inferiores se encontram entre os incisivos superiores anteriores e posteriores e uma angulação próxima dos 10° para os pré molares e molares, que é o preconizado na literatura VESTRAETE, Frank (2005). Essa verificação foi feitapor meio do registro fotográfico utilizando-se uma micro câmera anexada ao celular e também uma câmera digital (Fig. 13, 14 e 15 a,b,c).





Fig. 11: Demarcação do local da ondontosecção com caneta cirúrgica

Fig. 12: Odontosecção dos incisivos inferiores

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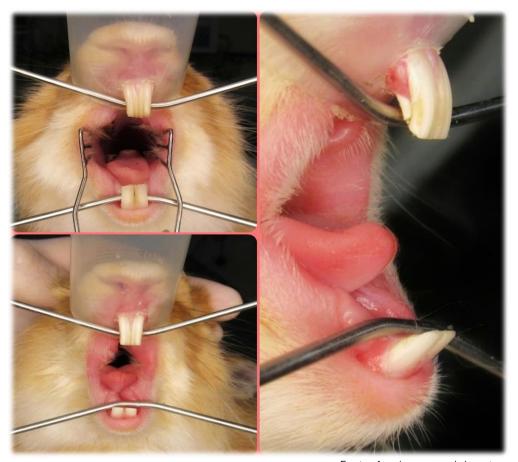


Fig. 13: Uso da Micro câmera para conferência do desgaste oclusal



Fonte: Arquivo pessoal do autor

Fig. 14: Uso da câmera digital para oregistro e documentação do caso



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Fig. 15: a. Incisivos aspecto inicial; b. Incisivos aspecto final, vista rostral. c. Incisivos aspecto final vista lateral.

IV. RESULTADOS

O animal retornou bem da anestesia inalatória. deambulando normalmente na baia de recuperação, teve alta e ao chegar em casa prontamente se alimentou de gramíneas fornecidas pela tutora. Com 30 dias voltou para o retorno e o relato era de normalidade, ajuste da dieta eganho de peso.

Considerações Finais

Como os coelhos com doenças dentárias geralmente apresentam manifestações clínicas tardias, sinais inespecíficos, de difícil identificação, uma avaliação sistêmica completa antes de iniciar o tratamento odontológico é imprescindível e que pacientes dessa espécie com má oclusão dentária devam sempre receber um exame bucal completo. A pesagem semanal de pets não convencionais mantidos de estimação animais é fortemente recomendada, pois qualquer perda de peso requer investigação e isso destaca a importância de integrar rotineiramente técnicaseficazes e não invasivas, como a radiografia de crânio, na rotina do exame clínico segundo BOEHMER, Christine (2020). A doença oral pode, assim, ser identificada e o tratamento instituído mais cedo. A dieta ideal para os coelhos, que são estritamente herbívoros, consiste na adoção de uma alimentação rica em fibras para que ocorra o devido desgaste dentário, sendo o capim e feno grosso como componentes principais e podendo ser complementado com vegetais frescos e pellets secos. Se forem fornecidos pellets secos, eles devem formar apenas um máximo de 10% da dieta total, mantendo assim uma boa abrasividade e o nível de desgaste ideal, pois é constante o ritmo de crescimento dos dentes desses animais FERREIRA, Larissa (2020).

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