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# MINERALIZING ACTIVITY OF PERIODONTAL BONE TISSUE OF RATS WITH EXPERIMENTAL DIABETES

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#### Abstract

<u>Background.</u> To determine the effect of diabetes on the state of periodontal bone tissue.

<u>Methods.</u> In rats, diabetes mellitus of the first type (DM1) was reproduced with the help of alloxan and diabetes mellitus of the second type (DM2) with the help of protamine. The activity of alkaline (ALP) and acid (ACP) phosphatases, calcium content, protein and elastase activity were determined in periodontal bone tissue. The level of biochemical markers of inflammation and protective systems was determined in the blood serum and in the gums. The mineralizing activity of bone tissue was determined by the ALP/ACP ratio.

<u>Results.</u> It was established that the mineralizing activity of periodontal bones is significantly higher in males and increases with age. The reproduction of DM1 and DM2 in rats caused a significant decrease in the mineralizing activity of periodontal bone tissue and insignificant changes in the level of calcium and protein. In rats with diabetes, an

inflammatory process develops in the gums (increase in the level of elastase) against the background of a decrease in the level of markers of protective systems (catalase and lysozyme).

<u>Conclusion.</u> A decrease in the level of mineralizing activity of periodontal bone tissue under conditions of diabetes can be the reason for the development of diabetic periodontitis.

Keywords: diabetes mellitus; periodontitis; bone tissue; mineralizing activity.

#### Introduction

Dental pathology is a frequent complication of diabetes [1, 2]. The most important are periodontal lesions, namely, diabetic periodontitis [3].

As is known, the most important factor in the pathogenesis of periodontitis is the atrophy of the periodontal bone tissue, which causes the appearance of periodontal pockets in which the periodontal-pathogenic microflora is concentrated [4-6].

Atrophy of bone tissue is the result of an imbalance in the processes of osteogenesis and osteolysis [7].

Osteogenesis is carried out due to the action of osteoblasts and osteocytes, and osteolysis occurs under the influence of osteoclasts [7, 8].

One of the biochemical markers of osteoblasts is the enzyme alkaline phosphatase, and the biochemical marker of osteoclasts is acid phosphatase [9].

On this basis, we proposed a method for determining the mineralizing activity of bone tissue based on the ratio of alkaline and acid phosphatase activities [10].

The purpose of this work was to determine the mineralizing activity of the alveolar part of the periodontal bone tissue of rats in which type 1 diabetes (DM1) and type 2 diabetes (DM2) were reproduced.

#### Materials and research methods

Biological methods were carried out on white Wistar rats of different sexes and ages. Experimental diabetes mellitus type 1 was reproduced using the drug alloxan (100 mg/kg, once intraperitoneally, 2 weeks) [11]. Diabetes mellitus type 2 was reproduced with the help of protamine sulfate (18 mg/kg, intramuscularly, 2 weeks) [12].

After euthanasia of animals under thiopental anesthesia (20 mg/kg) by total bleeding from the heart, the alveolar part of the lower jaw was isolated, in the homogenate of which the activity of alkaline phosphatase (ALP) was determined by the hydrolysis of p-nitrophenyl phosphate pH 10.5 and the activity of acid phosphatase by hydrolysis of this substrate pH 4.8 [13].

The ratio of ALP/ACP activity was used to calculate the mineralizing indices bone tissue [10].

The content of calcium [13], protein [13] and elastase activity [14] were also determined in the bone tissue homogenate.

The content of glucose, malondialdehyde (MDA), activity of elastase, catalase, urease and lysozyme was determined in blood serum by various methods [14, 15]. Based on the ratio of elastase activity and MDA content, the antioxidant-prooxidant index of API was calculated [14].

All the above biochemical parameters (except glucose) were also determined in the homogenate of the gums of rats.

Statistical processing of the results was carried out by generally accepted methods [16].

## **Results and discussion**

Table 1 presents the results of determination of glucose content in blood serum, the level of which significantly increases in rats with diabetes mellitus 1 (by 52 %) and with diabetes mellitus 2 (by 21,5 %).

Dis di succesti di succest	DM1, $3$ months		DM2, $\bigcirc$ 10 months		
Biochemical indicators	control	experiment	control	experiment	
Glucose, mmol/l	7,5±0,5	11,4±0,5	6,05±0,19	7,35±0,38	
		p<0,01		p<0,05	
Elastase, mk-cat/l	161,3±8,5	210,5±10,2	120±3	149±11	
		p<0,01		p<0,05	
MDA, mmol/l	$1,39\pm0,07$	$1,70\pm0,05$	0,96±0,03	$1,09\pm0,08$	
		p<0,05		p>0,05	
Catalase, mcat/l	0,41±0,01	0,36±0,01	0,43±0,02	0,35±0,02	
		p<0,05		p<0,05	
Urease, mk-cat/l	2,07±0,55	2,37±0,34	2,1±0,6	$2,8\pm0,8$	
		p>0,3		p>0,3	
Lysozyme, unit/l	105±3	89±3	84±8	59±5	
		p<0,05		p<0,05	
API	$2,95\pm0,18$	2,12±0,19	4,48±0,21	3,21±0,28	
		p<0,05		p<0,05	

Table 1. Biochemical indicators of blood serum of rats with experimental diabetes of the first type (DM1) and the second type (DM2)

The activity of elastase also increases significantly, which indicates the development of systemic inflammation [14], but the level of markers of protective systems decreases significantly: the activity of the antioxidant enzyme catalase and the antimicrobial enzyme lysozyme. The API index also decreases significantly, which indicates a violation of the balance of antioxidant and pro-oxidant factors.

Table 2 presents the results of the determination of biochemical markers in the gum homogenate. These data show that the activity of elastase significantly increases in the gums of diabetic rats: by 18.3 % (DM1) and 55.5 % (DM2). Urease activity also increases significantly: by 91.6 % (DM1) and by 69.4 % (DM2). These data indicate the growth of microbial insemination of the gums and the development of inflammation in them under the conditions of diabetes.

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<b>Dischamical indicators</b>	DM1, ♂	3 months	DM2, $\bigcirc$ 10 months					
Biochemical mulcators	control	experiment	control	experiment				
Elastase, mk-cat/kg	34,5±1,5	40,8±1,9	23,8±1,3	37,0±1,3				
		p<0,05		p<0,01				
MDA, mmol/kg	18,9±1,6	22,9±1,5	8,97±0,79	12,45±0,57				
		p>0,05		p<0,05				
Catalase, mcat/kg	6,26±0,31	6,77±0,34	7,60±0,20	6,68±0,29				
		p>0,1		p<0,05				
Urease, mk-cat/kg	0,95±0,24	1,92±0,22	0,49±0,11	0,83±0,10				
		p<0,05		p<0,05				
Lysozyme, unit/kg	196±14	167±16	132±9	101±4				
		p>0,05		p<0,05				
API	3,31±0,20	2,96±0,19	8,47±0,40	5,38±0,31				
		p>0,05		p<0,01				

Table 2. Biochemical indicators of the gums of rats with experimental diabetes of the first type (DM1) and the second type (DM2)

In fig. 1 shows how the mineralizing activity of the periodontal bone tissue of rats changes depending on age and sex. It can be seen that with age the mineralizing activity of bone tissue increases, and it is much greater in males Perhaps it is this circumstance that determines the significantly greater number of bone fractures in elderly women compared to men [17].

Table 3 presents the results of determining biochemical indicators of periodontal bone tissue in rats under conditions of experimental diabetes. It can be seen that in all cases the activity of acid phosphatase increases significantly in males with DM1 by 44.4 %, in males with DM2 by 40.4 %, and in females with DM2 by 60 %. The activity of alkaline phosphatase significantly decreases under the conditions of 1DM in males: by 40.1 % and in females by 23.7 %. In females with DM2, the activity of alkaline phosphatase decreases by 38 %, but p>0.05.



Fig. 1. Mineralizing index of periodontal bone tissue of rats of different ages and sexes

Biochemical indicators	Diabetes mellitus 1 type (DM1)				DM2				
	Males 3 month		Females 15 month		Females 10 month				
	control	experiment	control	experiment	control	experiment			
Alkaline	93,0±17,2	55,7±10,0	89,9±13,2	68,6±15,5	43,1±13,2	26,7±6,3			
phosphatase,		p<0,05		p>0,2		p>0,05			
m-cat/kg									
Acid	$7,2\pm0,8$	$10,4\pm0,6$	$14,6\pm1,4$	21,5±1,7	4,00±0,23	$6,4{\pm}0,23$			
phosphatase,		p<0,05		p<0,05		p<0,01			
m-cat/kg									
Calcium,	$1,55\pm0,14$	$1,39\pm0,09$	2,91±0,14	$2,79\pm0,18$	2,03±0,17	$2,25\pm0,10$			
mmol/kg		p>0,3		p>0,3		p>0,05			
Protein,	24,6±2,4	20,7±1,5	—	—	$14,8\pm1,5$	17,7±1,3			
gr/kg		p>0,05				p>0,05			
Elastase,	$14,5\pm1,7$	$14,0\pm1,8$	_	_	$9,0\pm0,9$	$12,2\pm0,7$			
m-cat/kg		p>0,5				p<0,05			

Table 3. Biochemical indicators of periodontal bone tissue of rats with experimental diabetes mellitus type 1 (DM1) and type 2 (DM2)

It is important to emphasize that, unlike males, the activity of another biochemical marker of osteoclasts, the enzyme elastase, significantly increases by 35.6 % in females with DM2.

The content of calcium and protein in the bone tissue of the periodontium in rats under conditions of diabetes does not change significantly.

In fig. 2 shows the level of mineralizing activity of the periodontium in rats with diabetes. It can be seen that in all cases, the mineralizing activity is significantly reduced in rats with diabetes: by 61.9 % in males with diabetes mellitus 1, by 48.4 % in females with

diabetes mellitus 1, and by 61.3 % in females with diabetes mellitus 2.



Fig. 2. Mineralizing index of periodontal bone tissue in rats with type 1 diabetes (DM1) and type 2 diabetes (DM2)

It has been established that lipid metabolism disorders play an important role in the pathogenesis of diabetogenic complications [18], especially against the background of dysbiotic syndrome [19].

It is possible that a decrease in the level of mineralizing activity of periodontal bone tissue may be a consequence of a deficiency of  $\omega$ -3 polyunsaturated fatty acids, which stimulate osteogenesis through the activation of the membrane enzyme Ca-ATP-ase [20].

Published works showing the therapeutic and preventive role of  $\omega$ -3 polyunsaturated fatty acid preparations in patients with periodontitis [21, 22].

Further research will allow to expand the search for effective means to stimulate the mineralizing activity of periodontal bone tissue, which can significantly increase the effectiveness of periodontitis prevention.

#### Conclusion

1. The mineralizing activity of bone tissue can be determined by the ratio of activities of alkaline and acid phosphatases.

2. The level of mineralizing activity is much higher in male rats, and it increases with the age of the animals.

3. In rats with experimental diabetes of the first and second type, the mineralizing activity of periodontal bone tissue is significantly reduced.

4. The content of calcium and protein in the bone tissue of the periodontium of rats

with diabetes does not change significantly.

5. In rats with diabetes, the level of markers of inflammation (elastase and urease) increases in the gums and blood serum, and the level of indicators of the protective systems (catalase and lysozyme) decreases.

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