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14.1. Tables

Table 1. Anthropometric and major laboratory characteristics of the study subjects (means \pm S.E.M.). C = controls; BN = bulimia nervosa; BMI = body mass index; % BF = percentage of body fat; neuropeptide Y (NPY); growth hormone (GH); free fatty acids (FFA); NS = not significant; ${}^{\$}P < 0.05$ BN vs. control subjects (C); n = the number of subjects.

Table 2. Effect of exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass [LBM]) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma gut-brain-adipose tissue (AT) peptides in the controls (C) (n = 7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n = 7).

* = P < 0.05, ** = P < 0.01, **** = P < 0.001, **** = P < 0.0001 vs. resting (baseline) values

P = P < 0.05 BN vs. control subjects (C)

 $^{+}$ = P < 0.05 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{++}$ = P < 0.01 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{+++}$ = P < 0.001 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{\#} = P < 0.05$ post-exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 90 minute

Table 3. Effect of exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass [LBM]) alone (placebo) or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma glycerol, free fatty acids (FFA) and

blood glucose levels in the controls (C) (n = 7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n = 7). Values are means \pm S.E.M.; n = the number of subjects.

** = P < 0.01, **** = P < 0.0001 vs. resting (baseline) values

 $^{\$} = P < 0.05 \text{ BN } vs. \text{ control subjects (C)}$

 $^{++}$ = P < 0.01 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{+++}$ = P < 0.001 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{\#}$ = P < 0.05 post-exercise recovering phase together with Aci administration vs. post-exercise recovering phase alone, 90 minute

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** = P < 0.01, **** = P < 0.0001 vs. resting (baseline) values

P = P < 0.05 BN vs. control subjects (C)

 $^{\$\$} = P < 0.01 \text{ BN } vs. \text{ control subjects } (C)$

 $^{++}$ = P < 0.01 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{++++}$ = P < 0.0001 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{\#}$ = P < 0.05 post-exercise recovering phase together with Aci administration vs. post-exercise recovering phase alone, 90 minute

Table 5. Circulatory response of the study subjects to the exercise during Acipimox (Aci) and placebo treatment; the controls (C) (n = 7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n = 7).

Exercise results are maximal values attained during the investigation (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass [LBM]). Values are means \pm S.E.M., C = controls, BN = bulimia nervosa, n = number of subjects are in brackets, p.o., per os.

*P < 0.05, ***P < 0.001 vs. resting (baseline) values, *P < 0.05 vs. control subjects (C), *P < 0.05 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

14.2. Figures

Fig. 1. Effect of exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass, LBM) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma growth hormone (GH) levels (means \pm S.E.M.) in the controls (C) (n=7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n=7).

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P < 0.05 vs. control subjects (C)
*** = P < 0.001, **** = P < 0.0001 vs. resting (basal) values
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Fig. 2. Effect of exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass, LBM) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma ghrelin levels (means \pm S.E.M.) in the controls (C) (n=7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n=7).

P < 0.05 BN vs. control subjects (C) P = P < 0.05, P = P < 0.01 vs. resting (basal) values **Fig. 3.** Effect of exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass, LBM) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma neuropeptide Y (NPY) levels (means \pm S.E.M) in the controls (C) (n=7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n=7).

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P = P < 0.05 BN vs. control subjects (C), p.o., per os
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Fig. 4. Effect of the exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass [LBM]) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma leptin levels (means \pm S.E.M.) in the controls (C) (n = 7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n = 7).

Fig. 5. Effect of the exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass [LBM]) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma insulin levels (means \pm S.E.M.) in the controls (C) (n = 7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n = 7).

P < 0.05 BN vs. control subjects (C), p.o., per os

* = P < 0.05, ** = P < 0.01 vs. resting (baseline) values

^{** =} P < 0.01, *** = P < 0.001 vs. resting (baseline) values

 $^{^{+}}$ = P < 0.05 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{^{\$} =} P < 0.05 \text{ vs. control subjects (C), p.o., per os}$

^{* =} P < 0.05 vs. resting (baseline) values

 $^{^{+}}$ = P < 0.05 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute

 $^{^{\#}}$ = P < 0.05 post-exercise recovering phase together with Aci administration vs. post-exercise recovering phase alone, 90 minute

- $^{+}$ = P < 0.05 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute
- $^{\#}$ = P < 0.05 post-exercise recovering phase together with Aci administration vs. post-exercise recovering phase alone, 90 minute
- **Fig. 6.** Effect of the exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass [LBM]) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on plasma free fatty acids (FFA) levels (means \pm S.E.M.) in the controls (C) (n = 7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n = 7).
- **** = P < 0.0001 vs. resting (baseline) values, p.o., per os
- $^{+}$ = P < 0.05 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute
- $^{\#}$ = P < 0.05 post-exercise recovering phase together with Aci administration vs. post-exercise recovering phase alone, 90 minute
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- P = P < 0.05 BN vs. control subjects (C), p.o., per os
- ** = P < 0.01, **** = P < 0.0001 vs. resting (baseline) values
- $^{++}$ = P < 0.01 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute
- $^{+++}$ = P < 0.001 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute
- $^{\#}=P<0.05$ post-exercise recovering phase together with Aci administration vs. post-exercise recovering phase alone, 90 minute

Fig. 8. Effect of the exercise (45 min, 2 W/kg of lean body mass [LBM]) alone or together with Acipimox (Aci) administration on microdialysate glycerol levels (means \pm S.E.M.) in the controls (C) (n = 7) and bulimia nervosa (BN) patients (n = 7).

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^{\$} = P < 0.05 BN vs. control subjects (C), p.o., per os ^{\$\$} = P < 0.01 BN vs. control subjects (C) ^{**} = P < 0.01, ^{****} = P < 0.0001 vs. resting (baseline) values ^{++} = P < 0.01 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute ^{++++} = P < 0.0001 exercise together with Aci administration vs. exercise alone, 45 minute ^{\#} = P < 0.05 post-exercise recovering phase together with Aci administration vs. post-exercise
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recovering phase alone, 90 minute