

Orofacial Dyskinesia and Oxidative Stress Reserpine-induced in Rats: Beneficial Effects of ω -3

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Several neurological diseases are related to oxidative stress (OS) and neurotoxicity. Our objective was to evaluate the preventive effects of ω -3 on an OS animal model (reserpine-induced orofacial dyskinesia-OD). In this model, the increased dopamine metabolism can generate OS and neuronal degeneration, causing OD, catalepsy and oxidative stress, evaluated by vacuous chewing movements (VCMs), immobility time and lipid peroxidation, respectively. ω -3 is an essential fatty acid necessary to the brain neuronal integrity. Data were analyzed by one-way ANOVA followed by Duncan's test ($p < 0.05$). The results of this study showed that reserpine improves the immobility time by the catalepsy test ($49,71 \pm 6,01$ seconds) and the vacuous chewing movements ($VCM = 104,83 \pm 32,97$) and acute ω -3 administration decreased the immobility time ($39,62 \pm 10,45$ seconds) but not completely the VCM ($84,70 \pm 38,42$). This is corroborated with an increase in thiobarbituric acid reactive substances in substantia nigra ($150,57 \pm 61,40$ η mol MDA/g tissue) in the presence of reserpine and their partial reduction with ω -3 supplementation ($122,14 \pm 22,21$ η mol MDA/g tissue). In the striatum reserpine didn't cause damage ($371,62 \pm 67,39$ η mol MDA/g tissue), when compared with the control group ($363,80 \pm 66,71$) but when associated with ω -3 presented lower values ($215,73 \pm 27,07$ η mol MDA/g tissue). We noticed that acute ω -3 demonstrated protective effect on motor disorders and partially in oxidative stress reserpine-induced. Studies with more time ω -3 administrations are necessary to observe better beneficial effects.

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