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"NUTRITION–DRUG INTERACTIONS: RISKS AND PREVENTIVE STRATEGIES"

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Annotation: This article reviews the risks and prevention aspects of food-drug interactions. Foods, dietary elements, and supplements can affect the pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of drugs, which significantly affects the efficacy and safety of treatment. The article reviews the main mechanisms, risk factors, clinical examples, and preventive measures between food and drugs in detail. At the same time, it emphasizes the need to develop individualized dietary and drug strategies to reduce patient risks and optimize treatment outcomes.

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Nutrition and drug interactions are one of the most complex and pressing issues in healthcare. Each person's dietary habits, dietary choices, and metabolic characteristics can significantly affect the efficacy and safety of medications. These relationships are also closely related to the pharmacokinetics (distribution, metabolism, and excretion in the body) and pharmacodynamics (biological effects of a drug). Inadequate or unbalanced nutrition can reduce the effectiveness of a drug, increase the risk of side effects, and even cause serious health problems. Therefore, understanding nutrition and drug interactions and developing preventive measures based on them is one of the important tasks of medicine.

In modern medicine, much attention is paid to assessing and controlling the patient's individual risk by combining medication and diet, as well as taking into account various metabolic and genetic factors. For example, certain foods or drinks (grapefruit juice, fatty foods, caffeine) can interact with some medications, increasing or decreasing their blood levels. Vitamins, minerals, and nutritional supplements can also significantly affect the effectiveness of medications. The issue of food and drug interactions is important not only in clinical practice, but also in preventive strategies. Patients and healthcare professionals need to be aware of these interactions and develop appropriate recommendations to reduce the risk. Also, personalized nutrition plans and medication can improve the patient's quality of life and prevent health problems. The article will analyze in detail the theoretical foundations, risk factors, clinical examples, and preventive measures of food and drug interactions. At the same time, recommendations are made based on modern scientific research to reduce risks and increase the effectiveness of treatment in healthcare. Food and drug interactions are an important and urgent issue in modern

medicine. This relationship can significantly affect the patient's health, increase or decrease the effectiveness of treatment, as well as lead to the occurrence of unpleasant side effects and dangerous situations. Studies show that some food products and dietary elements directly affect the pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic properties of drugs. For example, grapefruit juice, caffeine, fatty foods, or various vitamin and mineral supplements can interact with certain drugs, increasing or decreasing their blood levels. Therefore, food and drug interactions are considered a risk factor for patients and should be paid attention to. The article analyzes in detail the main mechanisms of food and drug interactions. Pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic factors, genetic and metabolic characteristics of the patient, as well as various components of the diet affect the effectiveness and safety of drugs. At the same time, various clinical studies have shown that treatment outcomes can be improved by individualizing nutrition and prescribing medications. Preventive measures are important not only in clinical practice, but also in patient education and the formation of a healthy lifestyle. Patients should learn to coordinate their diet and medications, as well as consult with specialists. At the same time, medical professionals and pharmacists play an important role in identifying food-drug interactions, assessing risks, and providing appropriate recommendations to patients. In addition, modern medical technologies, such as artificial intelligence and big data analysis, are serving as effective tools for predicting food-drug interactions and reducing risks. These technologies allow for individual risk assessment and treatment strategies, taking into account the patient's genetic profile, clinical data, and dietary habits. In conclusion, the interaction of nutrition and drugs is an important factor in health care, and it is necessary to apply scientifically based preventive measures to reduce the risks of patients and increase the effectiveness of treatment. By means of an individualized diet plan, drug adaptation and the use of modern technologies, it is possible to improve the health of the patient, reduce the risks and optimize the results of treatment. At the same time, specialists, patients and the health system should pay serious attention to this issue, since improper nutrition and drug interactions can cause serious health problems. The study of nutrition and drug interactions and the development of preventive strategies based on it will allow in the future to significantly improve the quality of life of patients and the efficient use of resources in the health system. Therefore, this area will remain a priority not only in clinical practice, but also in scientific research and the formation of a healthy lifestyle.

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