

From epigenome to exposome: new perspectives in dermo-cosmetics

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International research collaboration projects



The Human Genome Project

>> International research effort to **sequence** and **map** the entire human genome



>> 1990: project formally launched (initiated in 1988)

>> 1998: competition with a **private** approach (Celera Genomics)

- >> 2001 : first draft of the human genome (Nature)
- >> Project declared finished in 2003, two years ahead of schedule



The Human Epigenome Project

>> Epigenetic : heritable modifications of genes that **affect gene expression** but do not alter the DNA sequence



>> Aim of the project : identify Methylation Variable Positions (MVPs) in human genome



The Human Exposome Project(s)

>> 'Genetics load the gun but environment pulls the trigger'

>> HELIX: The Human Early-Life Exposome: how early-life environmental exposures impact child health across Europe

>> EXPOSOMICS: Programme which focuses on the effects of air pollution and drinking water contaminants

>> HERCULES: provides key infrastructure and expertise to develop and refine **new tools and technologies** to generate **exposure data** and improve metabolomics approaches

¹ Dr. Francis Collins, Director of the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH)

<u>the human exposome project</u>



Exposome: an overview

>> Firstly proposed in 2005 by Dr. Christopher Wild, a cancer epidemiologist

>> Totality of (non-genetic) exposures to which an individual is subjected from conception to death, complementing the genome

>> Three overlapping domains within the Exposome:

- **General external environment:** Urban environment, UV, education, climate factors, stress, blue light (380 500 nm)
- **Specific external environment:** specific contaminants, radiation, infections, lifestyle factors (tobacco, alcohol), diet, physical activity
- Internal environment: internal biological factors such as metabolic factors, hormones, gut microflora, inflammation, oxidative stress



Exposome and skin

Lifestyle and environment would age faster than genes

"Exposome would be responsible for 80% of premature ageing"¹

¹ Effect of the sun on visible clinical signs of aging in Caucasian skin - Clinical, Cosmetic and Investigational Dermatology, 2013



"Each individual possesses his own Exposome"²

²Thierry Passeron - professeur de dermatologie et chercheur à l'Inserm (Nice)

Jean Krutmann, Anne Bouloc, Gabrielle Sore, Bruno A. Bernard, Thierry Passeron Journal of Dermatological Science, March 2017



Through new opportunities in Cosmetic industry ?



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Exposome and skin ageing Photoaging results from daily exposure (low doses) → long wavelength UVA1 is a major contributor UV rays Prominent facial wrinkling Pigment spot and wrinkle ++ around upper lip and eyes formation Tobacco Pollution **Temperature** Cutaneous Decline in epidermal permeability, Thermal skin aging (matrix stress deterioration of skin barrier function *metalloproteinase upregulation*)

Ref : Jean Krutmann, Anne Bouloc, Gabrielle Sore, Bruno A. Bernard, Thierry Passeron Journal of Dermatological Science, March 2017

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Three botanical shields



Three botanical shields



Osmo'city: Marshmallow



- >> Althaea officinalis
 - >> Comes from the Greek (althein), "to heal"
 - >> Traditionally: for irritation of mucous membranes
 - >> Candy: traditional confectionary with the root
- >> Rich in mucilages & polysaccharides

>> Marshmallow, a natural source of cocooning and enveloping substances ?



Osmo'city : Study of complex sugars



>> Determination of the average molecular mass of polysaccharides on root extract = 32 kDa

>> Determination of the GLYcoPROFILE

>> Potential characterisation of glucans and arabinogalactans known to create an interaction with the skin cells to create a protective shield





Preventive and curative effects





Anti-adhesive action



Shot after rinsing

Placebo gel + application of carbon particles on skin explants

Osmo'city® gel (3%) + application of carbon particles on skin explants

Inhibition of adhesion up to -18%*

>> Osmo'city protects the skin with a botanical non-occlusive protective film

* significant p< 0,05



Removal booster action

Shot after rinsing





Application of carbon particles + placebo rinsing solution on skin explants Application of carbon particles + Osmo'city® rinsing lotion (3%) on skin explants

Ability to remove particles up to -29%**

>> Osmo'city helps the removing of pollutants that would have asphyxiated the skin after a whole day in urban conditions

** significant p< 0,01



2. Biological shield : Cell'intact



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Buckwheat : Botanical aspect



- > Polygonum Fagopyrum, Polygonaceae family
 - >> Pseudocereal >> Gluten-free
 - >> Traditionally consumed in France, Japan (soba)
 - >> Crop traditionally used to regenerate soil

>> Studied for heavy metal decontamination



Buckwheat and phytoremediation

>> Induces heavy metal uptake (zinc, copper) by transpiration (Tani FH et al.; 2006)



- >> Molecular mechanisms for external & internal detoxification (Yokosho K et al.; 2014)
- >> Aluminum detoxifying : identification of genes involved, (Yokosho K et al.; 2016)
 >> FelREG1
- >> A natural source of cellular detoxification against environmental factors ?



Biological pathways



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Two biological targets



Antipollution studies: results

A. Decrease in the proinflammatory response



Significant (Student t-test ; p < 0,05) *:0,01 < p < 0,05 / **: 0.001 < p < 0.01

At 1 and 3% concentration, buckwheat extract significantly protects the skin from inflammatory stress induced by pollution



Antipollution studies: results

B. Protective action on tight junction proteins

Polluted explant

Polluted explant



Polluted explant treated with 1% of buckwheat extract with 3% of buckwheat extract





Polluted explant treated with 1% of buckwheat extract with 3% of buckwheat extract



Prevention of deterioration on CLDN1 and 4 Tissue integrity, homeostasis and epidermis barrier maintained Protection from premature aging due to protein alteration



Non-polluted explant Claudin-1

Claudin-4



Non-polluted explant



Polluted explant treated





3. Soothing shield : Sens'flower



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A Co-Product Valorization Project





Focus on the Limousine chain











Experimental approach: 360° tests

PROFILAGGRINE

LIPOPEROXIDATION





Experimental approach: 360° tests

PROFILAGGRINE LIPOPEROXIDATION Study of **B**-carotene Study of stimulation protection (in tubo) of profilaggrin expression Skin barrier (in vitro) function Skin inflammation NF-ĸB

Study of NF-κB expression via TNF-α



Experimental approach: 360° tests



Sens'flower[®]: efficient on redness



At 4% in formula allows up to a 16 % reduction in skin redness

>> Sens'flower[®] acts in efficiently reducing one of the visible signs of sensitive skin





Skin barriers and Exposome





L'épigénétique dans la réponse du vivant

aux facteurs environnementaux

Thanks for listening

