The role of nutrition in pulmonology: How diet can impact lung health.

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Abstract

Diet is an important aspect of staying healthy, especially for people with lung disease. Proper nutrition can help improve lung function and reduce symptoms, making it an integral part of lung care. Create a personalized nutrition plan that takes into account.

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Introduction

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease is a leading cause of morbidity and mortality worldwide and a growing public health problem. There is an urgent need to identify modifiable risk factors for COPD prevention and treatment, and the scientific community is beginning to pay close attention to diet as an integral part of COPD management, from prevention to treatment. It summarizes evidence from observational and clinical studies on the effects of nutrients and dietary patterns on pulmonary function and the development, progression and outcome of COPD, highlighting potential mechanisms of action. . Several dietary options can be considered with respect to prevention and/or progression of COPD. Although definitive data are lacking, the available scientific evidence suggests that some foods and nutrients, especially antioxidant and anti-inflammatory supplements, should be combined in a balanced dietary pattern. This suggests that there is an association between improved lung function and decreased lung function. Knowledge of the effects of diet on COPD can provide healthcare professionals with an evidence-based lifestyle approach to better advice patients towards improving their lung health [1].

Respiratory muscles such as the diaphragm play an important role in respiration. Lack of proper nutrition can lead to muscle weakness and difficulty breathing. Eating a balanced diet rich in proteins, vitamins and minerals helps support respiratory muscle strength and endurance. It is a common symptom of many lung diseases. Certain nutrients, such as omega-3 fatty acids and antioxidants, have anti-inflammatory properties that may help reduce pneumonia. Foods rich in these nutrients include fatty fish, nuts, seeds, fruits, and vegetables and so on [2].

Here are some examples of how nutrition plays an important role in respiratory medicine.

Improving immune function

The lungs are constantly exposed to environmental contaminants and pathogens, making them susceptible to infection. A healthy immune system is essential to prevent and

fight off infections. Nutrients such as vitamin C, vitamin E, zinc, and selenium are important for immune function and are found in fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and red meat which maintain a healthy weight [3].

Being overweight or obese can negatively affect lung function. Because being overweight puts pressure on your chest and lungs, making it difficult to breathe. A balanced diet and regular exercise can help maintain a healthy weight, improve lung function, and reduce symptoms of lung disease [4].

Coping with drug side effects

Some drugs used to treat lung disease can cause nutritional deficiencies such as: B. Corticosteroids. May decrease absorption of calcium and vitamin D. eating a balanced diet can help prevent nutritional deficiencies and manage potential side effects of medications [5].

Conclusion

Long-term increased fruit and vegetable intake may have beneficial effects on lung function in people with COPD. Effects on systemic inflammation, health-related quality of life, and physical function have also been observed with several nutritional interventions, but with mixed results. Many of the studies were underpowered, had high dropout rates, and were at high risk of bias. Further studies are needed to examine the long-term effects of dietary interventions.

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