

THE INVOLVEMENT OF TRYPTOPHAN METABOLISM, ESPECIALLY TRYPTOPHOL, IN INTESTINAL SENSITIVITY IN A MODEL OF GASTROINTESTINAL INFECTION WITH ENTEROBACTERIACEAE

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Oral tryptophol supplementation reverses colonic hypersensitivity in a mouse model of post-infectious IBS by reducing sensory neuron activation.

KEY POINTS

- Tryptophol levels were decreased in the colon of *C. rodentium* infected mice at four weeks post-infection ($p=0.036$), consistent with prior findings in fecal and cecal samples.
- Oral administration of tryptophol at 600 mg/kg twice daily for 8 days reversed colonic hypersensitivity in infected animals ($p=0.037$) without sex-dependent differences.
- In vitro calcium imaging showed that tryptophol at 100 μ M significantly reduced the response intensity of dorsal root ganglion neurons to capsaicin ($p=0.018$), indicating a neuroinhibitory effect.
- The findings suggest tryptophol as a potential therapeutic candidate for post-infectious IBS, with ongoing work examining its mechanisms of action.
- This study is relevant to researchers investigating tryptophan metabolism in disorders of gut-brain interaction and potential therapeutic targets for visceral pain.

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