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升温与聚苯乙烯微塑料复合暴露对长牡蛎血细胞 功能、免疫基因表达和能量代谢的影响^{*}

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摘要 为阐明全球气候变暖和微塑料复合胁迫对长牡蛎(*Crassostrea gigas*)免疫应答、氧化应激和 能量代谢的影响,本研究采用 3 个微塑料(microplastics, MPs)水平[无微塑料、小粒径聚苯乙烯微塑 料(SPS-MPs, 6 μm)和大粒径聚苯乙烯微塑料(LPS-MPs, 50~60 μm)]和 2 个温度水平(20 ℃和 25 ℃) 对长牡蛎进行了为期 21 d 的单一和复合暴露,检测分析了各组长牡蛎血细胞功能[吞噬活性、活性 氧(reactive oxygen species, ROS)含量]、糖原含量以及免疫相关基因表达的变化。研究结果表明, SPS-MPs 暴露能增加长牡蛎血淋巴细胞中 ROS 含量,降低血细胞吞噬活性,揭示 SPS-MPs 毒性作 用更强。升温与微塑料的协同作用增加了长牡蛎消化腺组织中的糖原含量。实时荧光定量 PCR 结 果显示,升温与 SPS-MPs 复合暴露组长牡蛎消化腺组织通过上调热休克蛋白 90 (heat shock protein 90, *HSP90*)、核因子 κB 抑制蛋白(inhibitor of NF-κB, *IκB*)和 *p53* 基因表达量进行免疫应答;升温与 微塑料的拮抗作用增加了鳃组织 *p53* 基因表达量,揭示 *p53* 基因参与了鳃组织免疫调控。总之,升 温与微塑料复合暴露能影响长牡蛎的氧化应激、免疫反应和能量代谢,升温与 SPS-MPs 长期暴露 可能对长牡蛎的种群维持造成负面影响。

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微塑料是指粒径小于 5 mm 的塑料碎片,是世界 上最受关注的新兴污染物之一。直接加工形成的微塑 料,通过自然和人为因素进入海洋环境,称为初级微 塑料;塑料碎片还能经过光氧化、生物降解、热降解 等方式,分解成为更小的塑料碎片,称为次级微塑料。 很多研究发现,微塑料暴露能够导致海洋生物的组织 损伤,并能影响其能量代谢、免疫和发育等过程(Bakir et al, 2014; Qiao et al, 2019; Bringer et al, 2020; Teng et al, 2021; 夏斌等, 2019)。例如, Teng 等(2021)研究 发现,微塑料暴露可以改变长牡蛎(Crassostrea gigas) 的能量代谢并引发长牡蛎的炎症反应。Opitz 等(2020) 研究发现,环境相关浓度微塑料对贻贝(Choromytilus

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chorus)的能量平衡和生理指标的影响最小。小粒径微 塑料暴露会导致菲律宾蛤仔(Ruditapes philippinarum) 血淋巴细胞凋亡率升高(柳佳佳等, 2021)。此外,不 同粒径大小的微塑料粒径对翡翠贻贝(Perna viridis)具 有不同的毒性效应,大粒径(300~1000 μm)的聚苯 乙烯(PS)、聚丙烯(PP)和聚丁二酸丁二醇酯(PBS) 微塑料与中等粒径(30~300 μm)和小粒径(<30 μm) 微塑料相比,更可能导致翡翠贻贝死亡率升高 (Phothakwanpracha et al, 2021)。

全球变暖使得海洋生物生活在更高的海水温度下。联合国政府间气候变化专门委员会(IPCC)预测, 到 21 世纪末,温度将上升 1.4~3.1 ℃ (Pachauri *et al*, 2014)。海水温度升高会影响贝类的免疫反应、发育 和能量代谢等多种生理过程(Rahman *et al*, 2019; Rahman *et al*,2021; Wu *et al*, 2021; Zhang *et al*, 2023; 吕旭宁等, 2018)。Coppola等(2017)研究发现,温度升 高会对紫贻贝(*Mytilus galloprovincialis*)产生更高的 氧化损伤。也有研究表明,温度升高能够显著增加牡 蛎(*Crassostrea virginica*)的细胞调亡,并能引起热休 克蛋白(heat shock protein 70, *HSP70*)基因 mRNA 表达 量的升高(Rahman *et al*, 2021)。

在海洋和河口环境中,海洋生物经常暴露于高 温、污染物等多种环境应激源中(Abe, 2021; Andrady, 2015; 高云涛等, 2022; 孔祥辉等, 2022)。以往的研究 大多开展微塑料或温度变化对海洋生物的单一暴露 实验(Paul-Pont et al, 2016; Pei et al, 2022; Rahman et al, 2021; 高振锟等, 2017)。升温和微塑料复合暴露 的研究多集中在淡水生物(Kratina et al, 2019; Weber et al, 2020; Wen et al, 2018)。例如, 聚苯乙烯微塑料 和热刺激对淡水贻贝(Dreissena polymorpha)的复合 暴露研究发现,热刺激对贻贝的影响大于微塑料 (Weber et al, 2020)。Kratina 等(2019)研究表明, 温度 能够改变微塑料对蚤状钩虾(Gammarus pulex)代谢率 的影响,在低温条件下代谢率随着微塑料浓度的增加 而增加,而在较高温度条件下代谢率随着微塑料浓度 的增加反而降低。Wen 等(2018)在探究升温和微塑料复 合暴露对丽鱼(Symphysodon aequifasciatus)的研究中发 现,升温与微塑料复合暴露对淀粉酶活性具有拮抗作 用,而对脂肪酶活性无显著影响。有关升温和微塑料 复合暴露对海洋生物的研究较少(Ferreira et al, 2016; Fonte et al, 2016)。例如, Ferreira 等(2016)在探究升 温、金纳米颗粒(Au-NP)和微塑料复合暴露对海水虾 虎鱼(Pomatoschistus microps)的研究中发现,在高温 条件下, Au-NP 暴露对虾虎鱼个体和种群适应性产生 不利影响的风险增加。因此,升温和微塑料复合暴露

对海洋生物毒性效应研究亟待开展。本研究采用3个 微塑料水平[无微塑料、小粒径聚苯乙烯微塑料 (SPS-MPs, 6 µm)和大粒径聚苯乙烯微塑料(LPS-MPs, 50~60 µm)]和2个温度水平(20℃和25℃),探究升 温和微塑料对长牡蛎血细胞功能、能量代谢和免疫基 因表达的影响,以期为评估全球变暖背景下污染物对 海洋生物的毒性效应提供数据支撑。

1 材料与方法

1.1 实验材料

2020 年 5 月于山东威海乳山长牡蛎养殖场购买 410 只长牡蛎(*Crassostrea gigas*) (壳长 6~8 cm)用于复 合暴露实验。实验开始前,将长牡蛎在 40 L 的养殖 缸中暂养 2 周[盐度为 32±0.4; 温度为(20±0.2) ℃; pH 为 8.1±0.2]。暂养期间,每天用小球藻(*Chlorella*) (1×10⁵ cells/mL)喂养牡蛎,养殖海水每 2 d 更换一次。

1.2 微塑料工作液制备

SPS-MPs (6 μm, 2.5% w/v, 10 mL)和 LPS-MPs (50~60 μm, 2.5% w/v, 10 mL)均购买于天津市倍思乐色谱 技术开发中心。采用 0.22 μm 滤膜过滤的 Milli-Q 超 纯水配制 SPS-MPs 工作液(浓度为 4 × 10⁵ 个/mL)。每 次使用前均对原液和工作液进行超声处理,使其分散 均匀。通过扫描电子显微镜(SEM, 日立 S-4800)检查 微塑料的粒径和形态(图 1)。



图 1 LPS-MPs(A)和 SPS-MPs(B)的扫描电子显微镜图 Fig.1 The SEM image of LPS-MPs (A) and SPS-MPs (B)

1.3 实验设计

长牡蛎暂养后,随机分为6组,分别采用3个微 塑料水平[无微塑料、SPS-MPs (6 µm)和 LPS-MPs (50~60 µm)]和2个温度水平(20℃和25℃),共计6个 处理组合,探究升温和PS-MPs复合暴露对长牡蛎的 影响,暴露实验持续21 d。每个处理组设3个水箱 (40 L)作为重复,每个水箱养殖20只牡蛎。考虑到长 牡蛎的物种适应性和环境最高水温(Sun *et al*, 2022), 25℃作为升温条件,20℃为实验期间环境实际水温。 实验开始前,升温组的海水温度由环境温度(20℃) 每天升高2℃逐渐升高至25℃,使长牡蛎逐渐适应 25℃的水温。微塑料暴露浓度设置为1×10⁴个/L。各 组别海水每天更换1次,并在微塑料暴露组中添加微 塑料。于暴露第21天采样,收集各组长牡蛎的消化 腺和鳃组织,液氮冷冻后,~80℃保存。

1.4 血淋巴细胞相关免疫指标

采用一次性注射器抽取长牡蛎血淋巴, 经 300 目 筛绢过滤后, 迅速与等量的抗凝剂混合, 将血淋巴样 本分装 2 份各 500 µL 用于活性氧(reactive oxygen species, ROS)和吞噬活性的检测, 采用台式冷冻高速 离心机 4 \mathbb{C} 、2000×g 离心 10 min, 弃上清液, 加入 等量 500 µL 的 PBS, 再以 4 \mathbb{C} 、2000×g 离心 10 min 后, 弃上清液, 加入相应的缓冲溶液进行各指标的 检测。

采用 2',7'-二氯二氢荧光素二乙酸酯(2',7'dichlorofluorescein diacetate, DCFH-DA)荧光探针 (Sigma)对血淋巴组织中的活性氧进行检测。向血淋 巴细胞(500 µL)中加入 5 µL 荧光探针 DCFH-DA (0.01 mmol/L), 避光, 在 18 ℃混合孵育 30 min。在 激发波长为 488 nm、发射波长为 530 nm 的条件下, 用流式细胞仪(BD Accuri™ C6 flow cytometer)对样 本进行检测。上机前,采用 300 目筛绢过滤,根据 FL-1 通道的荧光强度的几何平均值,来表征血淋巴 细胞 ROS 的含量。

采用荧光微球(YG 2.0 μm, Polysciences, 德国) 对血细胞的吞噬活性进行测定。将 250 μL 的长牡蛎 血淋巴与 2.3%的荧光微球进行混合,并避光放置 60 min, 然后向混合液中加入福尔马林(15 μL)终止反 应, 经过 300 目筛绢过滤,采用流式细胞仪 FL-1 通 道检测,采用摄入 3 个或更多荧光微球的血细胞占总 的血细胞数目的百分比来估算血细胞吞噬活性。

1.5 糖原含量测定

长牡蛎消化腺组织中的糖原含量采用蒽酮显色法,并用肝/肌糖原检测试剂盒进行检测,购买自南京建成生物工程研究所。按照说明书的方法进行检测,单位为 mg/g 组织。

1.6 免疫和应激相关基因的 mRNA 表达

采集各实验组和对照组长牡蛎(n=6)的消化腺和 鳃组织进行基因的 mRNA 表达检测,于-80 ℃保存。 用 TRIzol试剂(Invitrogen)分离提取总 RNA,Nanodrop 检测总 RNA 浓度。cDNA 用逆转录酶 M-MLV (Promega, 美国)合成。核因子 κ B 抑制蛋白(inhibitor of NF- κ B, $I\kappa$ B)基因、p53 基因和 HSP90 基因的 mRNA 表达量采 用 StepOne Plus 实时荧光定量 PCR 仪(ABI 公司,美国) 进行检测。荧光定量 PCR 所用引物信息见表 1。选择 转录延伸因子 1 α (*EF1a*)作为内参基因。

1.7 微塑料镜检

为了观察长牡蛎是否摄入微塑料,采用显微镜进 行镜检,由于 SPS-MPs 在体式显微镜下较难识别, 只对 LPS-MPs 进行了镜检。首先,在复合暴露实验 过程中收集长牡蛎粪便,并在显微镜下观察。然后,

基因	正向引物	反向引物	基因	参考文献		
Gene	Forward primer $(5' \sim 3')$	Reverse primer $(5' \sim 3')$	Gene ID	Reference		
核因子 κB 抑制蛋白 <i>IκB</i>	CCCTTCACATTGCCAGTAG	ATTGGGAGATGGGTGTTCT	DQ250326.1	Zhang 等 (2011)		
<i>p53</i>	ACCCAGCTCCGACTCATTT	TCATGGGGGGATGATGACAC	AM236465	Farcy 等 (2008)		
热休克蛋白 90 HSP90	AGCAGGGAAGTGGTTCAGTCG	TGACTTTGCACAATCCCTCGTAC	EF687776.1	Cao 等 (2018)		
转录延伸因子 1α EF1α	ACCACCCTGGTGAGATCAAG	ACGACGATCGCATTTCTCTT	BQ426516	Sussarellu 等 (2012)		

表1 荧光定量 PCR 引物序列

为了方便观察,将LPS-MPs采用Shim等(2016)的方 法进行尼罗红染色,在20℃和25℃对长牡蛎进行复 合暴露后,采集长牡蛎的鳃和消化腺组织,并加入 180 mL 10% KOH和20 mL 30% H₂O₂进行消解,60℃ 放置24 h,采用8 µm 滤膜(上海兴亚,中国)进行真空 抽滤,采用体式显微镜(奥林巴斯 SZX10,日本)对 LPS-MPs进行镜检(Munno *et al*, 2018)。

1.8 数据分析

结果均以平均值±标准误(Mean±SEM)表示。血细胞指标的数据通过 FlowJo 软件进行分析。数据的正态性检验采用 Shapiro-Wilk 检验,方差齐性检验采用 Levene 检验。对于不符合正态分布或方差齐性的数据,进行以 10 为底的对数变换(lg)。采用 SPSS 22.0 软件进行双因素方差分析(two-way ANOVA), P<0.05 被认为具有显著性。采用 LSD 检验(LSD test)进行多重比较分析。

2 结果

2.1 血细胞免疫指标

升温和微塑料复合暴露 21 d 后,各组别长牡蛎 的血淋巴免疫指标如图 2 所示。ANOVA 分析表明, 升温和微塑料复合暴露对长牡蛎血淋巴细胞中的 ROS含量和吞噬活性无显著的交互作用(*P*>0.05)(表 2)。 总体而言,在各温度水平下,SPS-MPs 均可抑制长牡 蛎血淋巴细胞吞噬活性,增加 ROS 产量。

2.2 糖原含量

升温和微塑料复合暴露 21 d 后,各处理组长牡 蛎消化腺组织中糖原含量如图 3 所示。ANOVA 分析 表明,升温与微塑料复合暴露对消化腺组织中糖原含 量具有显著的交互作用(P<0.05)(表 2)。升温能够增强 微塑料对糖原含量的诱导作用,25 ℃+LPS-MPs 复合 暴露组中长牡蛎消化腺组织中糖原的含量相比于升 温和 LPS-MPs 单独暴露组显著增加(P<0.05)(图 3)。

2.3 免疫相关基因表达量

升温和微塑料复合暴露 21 d 后,各处理组长牡 蛎消化腺组织中免疫相关基因 mRNA 的表达量如图 4 所示。ANOVA 分析表明,升温与微塑料复合暴露对 长牡蛎消化腺组织中 HSP90、p53 和 IkB 基因的表达 量具有显著的交互作用(P<0.05)(表 2)。25 ℃+SPS-MPs 复合暴露组长牡蛎消化腺中 HSP90、p53 和 IkB 基因 表达量相较于 SPS-MPs 和升温单独暴露组均显著升 高(P<0.05)。微塑料单独暴露能够引起 HSP90 和 IkB 基因表达量相较于对照组上调。此外, 25 ℃+LPS-MPs 复合暴露相较于 LPS-MPs 单独暴露能够显著降低 *IкB* 基因的表达量(*P*<0.05)(图 4E)。



图 2 升温和微塑料暴露对长牡蛎血淋巴免疫指标的影响 Fig.2 Immune-related parameters in hemocytes of *C. gigas* exposed to elevated temperature and MPs

A: 呼吸爆发(n=5); B: 吞噬活性(n=4~6)。不同字母表示 相同微塑料水平下不同温度水平之间存在显著差异

(P<0.05); 星号(*)表示相同温度水平下不同微塑料水平之间存在显著差异(P<0.05)。下同。

A: ROS (n=5); B: Phagocytosis (n=4-6). Different letters indicate significant differences between different temperatures within the same MPs level (P<0.05); asterisks indicate significant differences between different MPs levels within the same temperature (P<0.05). The same below.

升温和微塑料复合暴露 21 d 后,各处理组长牡蛎 鳃组织中免疫相关基因 mRNA 的表达量如图 4 所示。 ANOVA 分析表明,微塑料与升温复合暴露对长牡蛎 鳃组织中 p53、IxB 和 HSP90 基因的表达表现出显著 交互作用(P<0.05)(表 2)。25 ℃+SPS-MPs 复合暴露组 长牡蛎鳃组织 HSP90 基因的表达相较于 SPS-MPs 单 独暴露组显著降低(P<0.05)(图 4B)。此外,在 20 ℃ 条件下,微塑料暴露会抑制 p53 基因的表达量;而在 25 ℃条件下,微塑料暴露会诱导 p53 基因的表达量 (图 4D)。微塑料和升温单独暴露相较于对照组能够显 著增加 IxB 基因的表达量(P<0.05)(图 4F)。

gly	cogen content, and the 指标	expression of immune relat 升温	ed genes of C. gigas (tv	wo-way ANOVA) 升温 × 微朔料
	Parameter	Elevated temperature	MPs	Elevated temperature × MPs
血细胞	活性氧	<i>F</i> (1,24) = 1.255	<i>F</i> (2,24) = 4.615	F(2,24) = 0.202
Hemocytes	ROS	P = 0.274	P = 0.020	P = 0.819
	吞噬活性	F(1,24) = 1.624	<i>F</i> (2,24) =3.720	F(2,24) = 2.036
	Phagocytosis rate	P = 0.215	P = 0.039	P = 0.152
消化腺	糖原	<i>F</i> (1,18) = 17.589	F(2,18) = 4.837	<i>F</i> (2,18) = 5.246
Digestive glands	Glycogen content	P = 0.001	P = 0.021	P = 0.016
	HSP90	F(1,30) = 5.783	F(2,30) = 11.005	F(2,30) = 10.255
		P = 0.023	<i>P</i> < 0.001	<i>P</i> <0.001
	ΙκΒ	F(1,30) = 0.208	F(2,30) = 5.622	F(2,30) = 6.946
		P = 0.651	P = 0.008	P = 0.003
	p53	F(1,30) = 0.866	F(2,30) = 1.461	F(2,30) = 3.485
		P = 0.359	P = 0.248	P = 0.044
鰓	HSP90	F(1,30) = 7.300	F(2,30) = 0.281	F(2,30) = 5.032
Gills		P = 0.011	P = 0.757	P = 0.013
	ΙκΒ	F(1,30) = 0.968	F(2,30) = 1.865	F(2,30) = 3.454
		P = 0.333	P = 0.172	P = 0.045
	p53	F(1,30) = 0.281	F(2,30) = 1.056	F(2,30) = 8.721
		P = 0.600	P = 0.360	P = 0.001

表 2 升温和微塑料暴露对长牡蛎血细胞功能、糖原含量和免疫基因表达的影响(双因素方差分析) Tab.2 Effects of elevated temperature and MPs on hemocytes function,

注:加粗字体表示具有显著性。

Note: Significances are highlighted in bold (P < 0.05).







2.4 微塑料镜检

显微镜视野下,长牡蛎粪便中和组织消解后滤膜 上的 LPS-MPs 如图 5 所示。镜检结果发现,在长牡 蛎的粪便以及消化腺和鳃组织消解后的滤膜上均发 现 LPS-MPs。

3 讨论

3.1 血细胞免疫指标

很多研究表明,微塑料暴露能够诱发海洋生物体 内 ROS 的产生。ROS 包括过氧化氢(hydrogen peroxide, H₂O₂)、羟自由基(hydroxyl radical, OH)和 超氧阴离子(superoxide anion, O²⁻)等, 其作为细胞氧 化代谢的有毒副产物,会破坏细胞结构,导致细胞膜 系统损坏(Landis et al, 2005)。有研究表明, 聚苯乙烯 微塑料暴露可导致贻贝(Mytilus spp.)血细胞活性氧的 积累, 增强抗氧化酶活性(Paul-Pont et al, 2016)。金 头鲷鱼(Sparus aurata)在聚甲基丙烯酸甲酯(PMMA) 纳米塑料暴露后,能够诱发机体产生抗氧化反应 (Brandts et al, 2021)。本研究中, SPS-MPs 单独暴露 能够显著增加长牡蛎血淋巴组织中 ROS 含量,这可 能是由于 SPS-MPs 引起长牡蛎血淋巴组织发生氧化 应激所导致,而 LPS-MPs 暴露对长牡蛎血淋巴细胞 ROS 含量无显著影响,说明微塑料尺寸越小,对长牡 蛎血细胞 ROS 含量的影响越大。与之类似, SPS-MPs 暴露能够抑制长牡蛎血淋巴细胞的吞噬活性,影响其



图 4 升温和微塑料暴露对长牡蛎消化腺和鳃组织中免疫相关基因 mRNA 表达量的影响(*n*=6) Fig.4 The mRNA expression of immune related genes in digestive glands and gills of *C. gigas* exposed to elevated temperature and MPs (*n*=6)



图 5 显微镜视野下长牡蛎粪便中(A)和组织消解后(B)的 LPS-MPs Fig.5 Microscopic view of LPS-MPs in feces (A) and after tissue digestion (B) of *C. gigas*

细胞免疫功能,而 LPS-MPs 对长牡蛎血淋巴细胞的 吞噬活性无影响。同样,厚壳贻贝(Mytilus coruscus) 暴露于聚苯乙烯微塑料 21 d 后,其血淋巴细胞的吞 噬活性受到抑制(Huang et al, 2022)。Pavičić-Hamer 等(2022)研究也表明,PMMA 微塑料暴露能够诱发 紫贻贝血淋巴细胞的免疫反应,引起血细胞总数的 增加,并抑制细胞活力。此外,Phothakwanpracha 等(2021)研究也表明,小粒径微塑料具有更强的毒性 作用。

前期研究表明, 生物在受到热应激胁迫时会产 生 ROS, 从而诱发氧化应激反应(Banh et al, 2016)。 然而,本研究发现,升温对长牡蛎血淋巴细胞中 ROS 的产量无影响,但在25℃条件下,升温组长牡蛎血 淋巴细胞 ROS 整体有升高趋势, 推测未发现显著性 差异的原因可能与牡蛎的个体差异有关。与之类似, 升温对大马蹄螺(Trochus niloticus)血淋巴细胞中 ROS 含量无显著性影响(Zhang et al, 2021)。本研究 中,25 ℃+LPS-MPs 复合暴露组长牡蛎血淋巴细胞 吞噬活性相较于 LPS-MPs 单独暴露组显著抑制,提 示复合暴露组血淋巴组织免疫功能受到抑制。尽管 升温组血淋巴的吞噬活性有升高趋势,但升温单独 暴露组血淋巴细胞吞噬活性相较于对照组无显著性 差异,这可能是由于牡蛎的个体差异所致。Rahman 等(2019)研究表明,升温(25℃)显著提高了长牡蛎、 紫贻贝和蛤蜊(Katelysia rhytiphora)血淋巴细胞的吞 噬活性。然而, Monari 等(2007)研究表明, 升温(30 ℃) 降低了蛤蜊(Chamelea gallina)血淋巴细胞的吞噬活性。

3.2 能量代谢

能量代谢相关标志物能够用于指示细胞能量水 平的状态和环境压力的强度(Dong et al, 2016)。有研 究发现,糖原在能量储备中发挥重要的作用(Smolders et al, 2003; Sokolova, 2013)。以往的研究表明,贝类 体内糖原的储备情况能够直接反映贝类应对环境胁 迫的能力,并且其含量受到自身的生理过程以及外界 环境的影响(Cordeiro et al, 2016;梅丽敏等, 2023)。本 研究中,升温单独暴露对长牡蛎消化腺糖原含量无影 响,可能是由于糖原被大量利用,因而没有表现出积 累的趋势。与此相似,热应激对日本鼓虾(Alpheus japonicus Miers)肌肉组织中的糖原含量没有显著影 响(李笑等, 2020)。然而, Zhang 等(2021)报道,海水 升温能够导致大马蹄螺肌肉组织中糖原含量下降。这 可能是由于长牡蛎与大马蹄螺具有不同的能量代谢 机制。 升温和微塑料复合暴露对长牡蛎消化腺组织糖原含量的协同作用增加了糖原储备,可能是由于复合暴露组的长牡蛎具有更高的能量需求。这可能是由于海洋生物在复合压力条件下需要增加能量储备,其体内的氧化应激反应需要更高的能量来维持(Gagné et al, 2010)。

3.3 免疫相关基因表达

HSP90 基因是一种重要的分子伴侣蛋白基因,在 生物体中能够被广泛诱导,在应对环境胁迫过程中起 到重要的调节作用(Schopf et al, 2017)。IкB 基因是核 因子 NF-кB 的抑制蛋白基因,NF-кB 是细胞免疫、 促炎反应、凋亡和生长等基因转录激活的重要调节因 子,IкB 基因 mRNA 的表达能够影响 NF-кB 等免疫 炎症信号通路的调控作用,从而对环境胁迫产生免疫 应答(Baeuerle, 1998; Jobin et al, 2000)。肿瘤抑制因子 p53 是一种重要的转录因子,在应对各种细胞应激(如 DNA 损伤)中发挥重要的作用(Lowe et al, 2013)。

在本研究中,升温和微塑料对长牡蛎消化腺组织 HSP90 和 IkB 基因 mRNA 表达的交互作用具有粒径 依赖性: SPS-MPs 与升温表现为协同作用, mRNA 表达水平较高; LPS-MPs 与升温则表现为拮抗作用。 这些结果提示, SPS-MPs 与升温复合暴露会引起长牡 蛎消化腺组织较强的免疫反应,这可能是由于 SPS-MPs 相较于 LPS-MPs 对长牡蛎具有更强的毒性 作用所致。与之相似,本研究发现, SPS-MPs 单独暴 露相较于 LPS-MPs 单独暴露能够引起长牡蛎鳃组织 HSP90 基因表达量显著升高。柳佳佳等(2021)研究也 表明,小粒径微塑料比大粒径微塑料对菲律宾蛤仔具 有更强的毒性作用。在消化腺和鳃组织中,微塑料单 独暴露能引起长牡蛎 $I\kappa B$ 基因表达量的上调,说明 IKB 基因在长牡蛎应对微塑料暴露的免疫应答中发挥 重要的调控作用。同样,聚乙烯微塑料能够增加鲤鱼 鳃组织中 NF-κB 通路的 IκB 激酶复合物(IKKα 和 *IKK*β)基因和 NF-κB p65 基因的表达量(Cao et al, 2023)。升温和微塑料对长牡蛎鳃组织 IKB 基因的 mRNA 表达具有显著的拮抗作用,与消化腺组织表现 出不同的调控模式,说明 IxB 基因的调控作用具有组 织特异性,这可能是长牡蛎鳃和消化腺组织受到胁迫 刺激后发挥免疫防御功能的调节机制不同所导致。此 外,升温和微塑料对消化腺和鳃中 p53 基因表达均有 拮抗作用,在 20 ℃,微塑料暴露能够降低 p53 基因 的表达量,而在 25 ℃,微塑料暴露能够升高 p53 基 因的表达量,说明复合暴露能够启动 p53 基因相关免 疫信号通路,从而引起机体产生免疫应答。

4 结论

本研究以长牡蛎为研究对象,探究了升温与聚苯 乙烯微塑料对长牡蛎免疫和能量代谢的复合毒性效 应。结果发现,复合暴露会增强长牡蛎消化腺组织糖 原储备; SPS-MPs 与升温复合暴露会引起长牡蛎消化 腺组织 *IxB* 和 *HSP90* 基因表达上调,表明升温和 SPS-MPs 复合暴露会引起较强的免疫反应,且 SPS-MPs 相较于 LPS-MPs 毒性作用更强;升温和微塑料的拮抗 作用导致消化腺和鳃组织中 *p53* 基因的表达量上调, 说明 *p53* 基因参与了升温和微塑料复合暴露的免疫 应答。此外, SPS-MPs 能够引起长牡蛎血淋巴细胞 ROS 积累,抑制吞噬活性。因此,升温与微塑料复合 暴露能够诱导免疫反应,增加糖原储备,诱发血淋巴 细胞产生氧化应激,提示 SPS-MPs 与升温长期复合 暴露可能会对长牡蛎种群维持造成潜在威胁。

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Combined Effects of Elevated Temperature and Polystyrene Microplastics on Hemocyte Function, Immune-Related Gene Expression, and Energy Metabolism of *Crassostrea gigas*

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Abstract Bivalves are affected by various stressors, such as global warming and microplastics, in the marine environment. Microplastics are one of the most concerning pollutants worldwide, and high seawater temperatures caused by global warming influence the survival of marine organisms. However, little is known about the combined effects of elevated temperature and microplastics (MPs) on marine organisms, and most studies conducted in recent years have investigated the two factors, respectively. Thus, it is necessary to investigate the combined effects of elevated temperature and MP exposure on marine life. The Pacific oyster *Crassostrea gigas* is a widely distributed marine mollusk, and has very important economic value. The aim of the current study was to explore the toxic effects of elevated temperature and microplastic co-exposure on the hemocyte function, immune-related gene expression, and energy metabolism of *C. gigas*. In the current study, oysters were exposed to three levels of microplastics (no microplastics, 6 μ m microplastics: SPS-MPs, and 50~60 μ m microplastics: LPS-MPs) and two temperature levels (20 °C and 25 °C) for 21 days, and the phagocytosis rate and reactive oxygen

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species (ROS) content of hemocytes, glycogen content in digestive glands, and immune-related gene expression in digestive glands and gills were examined on the 21st day. 2',7'-Dichlorodihydrofluorescein diacetate and fluorescent microspheres were used to measure the ROS content and phagocytosis ratein hemocytes of C. gigas by flow cytometry, respectively. The glycogen content was measured using detection kits. Total RNA was isolated by TRIzol reagent, and the concentration was measured by Nanodrop. M-MLV Reverse Transcriptase was used for cDNA synthesis. The expressions of immune-related genes [inhibitor of NF- κ B (*I* κ B), *p*53, and heat shock protein 90 (*HSP90*)] were examined by quantitative real-time PCR in the digestive glands and gills of oysters from each treatment group. Two-way ANOVA was used to analyze the interactive effects of elevated temperature and microplastics on tested parameters of oysters using SPSS software. The results showed that exposure to SPS-MPs could elevate ROS content and reduce phagocytosis in hemocytes, but no significant interaction was found between elevated temperature and microplastic effects on ROS content and phagocytosis rate in hemocytes (P>0.05). The 25 °C+LPS-MPs exposure significantly decreased phagocytosis in hemocytes compared with single LPS-MPs and elevated temperature exposures (P < 0.05). Single SPS-MPs exposure significantly decreased phagocytosis in hemocytes compared with single LPS-MPs exposure (P < 0.05). In digestive glands, there was a significant interaction between elevated temperature and microplastics in glycogen content (P < 0.05), and the combined exposure could increase the glycogen content compared with other treatments. In digestive glands, the 25 °C+LPS-MPs exposure significantly increased glycogen content compared with single elevated temperature and single LPS-MPs exposure (P < 0.05). In digestive glands and gills, there was a significant interaction between elevated temperature and microplastics in the expressions of HSP90, $I\kappa B$, and p53 genes (P<0.05). The 25 °C+SPS-MPs exposure significantly upregulated the expression of HSP90, $I\kappa B$, and p53 genes in the digestive glands of ovsters compared with single SPS-MPs and single elevated temperature exposures (P < 0.05). The 25 °C+SPS-MPs exposure significantly downregulated the expression of the HSP90 gene in the gills of oysters compared with single SPS-MPs exposure (P < 0.05). Single elevated temperature and single microplastics exposure significantly upregulated the expression of the $I\kappa B$ gene compared with the control in gills (P < 0.05). The combined exposure of elevated temperature and microplastics showed a significant antagonistic effect on the expression of the p53 gene in gills. Microplastics exposure downregulated p53 gene expression compared with the control at 20 °C, while it upregulated p53 gene expression compared with single elevated temperature at 25 °C. These results indicated that the p53 gene plays an important role in regulating the immune response in both digestive glands and gills. The interaction between elevated temperature and microplastics on the mRNA expression of HSP90 and IkB genes in digestive glands of C. gigas was size-dependent: A synergistic effect was found between SPS-MPs and elevated temperature, and an antagonistic effect was found between LPS-MPs and elevated temperature. A significant antagonistic effect was found between elevated temperature and microplastics on the mRNA expression of the $I\kappa B$ gene in gills, and the regulation pattern was different from that in the digestive glands, indicating that the regulation effect of the $I\kappa B$ gene was tissue-specific. In conclusion, the combined exposure of elevated temperature and microplastics can increase the glycogen content in the digestive glands of C. gigas, induce an immune response in digestive glands and gills, and trigger the oxidative stress response in hemocytes. Microplastics can cause stronger oxidative stress in hemocytes than elevated temperature. Moreover, a significant interactive effect was found between elevated temperature and microplastics on glycogen content in digestive glands and the expression of immune-related genes (HSP90, p53, and $I\kappa B$) in digestive glands and gills. The results of this study provide valuable information for evaluating the toxic effects of microplastics on marine organisms under a global warming background.

Key words Crassostrea gigas; Microplastics; Elevated temperature; Immune; Energy metabolism