

Review of: "The Link Between Gastrointestinal Microbiome And Ocular Disorders - A Review"

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This paper deals with reviewing the link between the gut microbiota and ocular diseases which is of high interest for general readerships. Author concludes that There is a major flaw in the search strategy and current review does not cover the topic. Author has used the terms "ophthalmology", "gut", and "microbiome". There are many other terms that could be used including but not limited to eye, ocular, microbiota, microflora, intestinal, etc. Even with the terms used by the author, many other associations have been established such as the "dry eye" and other ocular situation. Author's focus on uveitis, retina and glaucoma seems a bit arbitrarily and selective. I suggest that author adopt a more comprehensive search strategy (using a broaden search terms).

In the subsection of "Future Therapies", it should be noticed that even presently, there are some proposed hypotheses to alleviate ocular conditions through modulation of gut microbiome, which definitely deserve to be cited (for instance, see "Aquaporin5-Targeted Treatment for Dry Eye Through Bioactive Compounds and Gut Microbiota. J Ocul Pharmacol Ther. 2021 Oct;37(8):464-471. doi: 10.1089/jop.2021.0029.).

A relatively comprehensive review paper published by Triana Hardianti Gunardi et al (which submitting author has cited this reference in his current submission as [63]), concludes that the 'current preliminary studies are promising in establishing a "causative" gut-eye axis relationship', and I think that current evidence is in favor of existence of a causative link, however Rashed Alfuzai concludes that "It is early to be assertive of causation here". Perhaps we need a more comprehensive updated review to get a more clear answer.

There are some minor suggestions too; many claims have been left without citation and need to be backed up with proper references. Introduction should be expanded. Please define what the FMT in the Abstract section stand for. Current paper seems as a rapid mini-review.