

Specific Antibody Response To Subgingival Microflora From Juvenile Periodontitis Patients In The Egyptian Population

Abstract :

Serum antibody titers from patients with juvenile periodontitis were compared with those from periodontally healthy subjects using the enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay. Immunoglobulin G (IgG) levels were detected against a battery of microorganisms namely *Prevotella intermedia* (*P.intermedia*), *Porphyromonas gingivalis* (*P.gingivalis*), *Actinobacillus actinomycetemcomitans* (*A.a*), *Campylobacter rectus* (*C.rectus*), and *Peptostreptococcus micros* (*P.micros*). These species were selected based on the results of the preliminary microbiological data of the same population. Results of our study suggest that juvenile periodontitis patients showed a higher mean IgG antibody titer to *P.intermedia* (80.4), *A.a* (95.7), *P.gingivalis* (104.5) compared to controls. In contrast there were no significant difference between patients and control antibody levels to *C.rectus* (80.5) and *P.micros* (55.2). These findings indicate that *P.inter*, *P.gingivalis* and *A.a* may play a role in the etiology and pathogenesis of juvenile periodontitis among the Egyptian population.