透明質酸的製備與應用

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摘 要

透明質酸（hyaluronic acid）又稱為玻尿酸，是由D－葡萄醣醛酸與N－乙醯基葡萄醣胺以雙醣單元重複鍵結所組成之直鏈高分子多醣體，平均分子量介於十萬到一千萬Dalton之間。透明質酸通常由動物軟組織以有機溶劑萃取方法獲得，這種來源萃取方法的缺點為品質及來源較不穩定。傳統上透明質酸大多從雞冠萃取而獲得。由於以動物組織來源萃取過程較複製，生產成本高，近年來已將注意力逐漸發展至由微生物醱酵生產透明質酸。 透明質酸在生物體內，扮演著許多的角色。普遍存在於細胞外間質以及生物體液之中，它能提供細胞的支持作用，並能調控細胞間的附著，細胞的聚集、移動、增殖與分化等作用。透明質酸水溶液具有特殊的黏彈性質，在動物體中可以提供許多的生理功能，如保護、潤滑、支持等功能。由於透明質酸具有特殊生物相容性、獨特的流變學特性和保濕能力等特點，因此，在生物醫學、保健食品、化妝品工業等相關領域上有廣泛的應用。

關鍵詞 : 透明質酸(玻尿酸) ; 生物相容性 ; 製備 ; 應用

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