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CAN PREVIOUS RESISTANCE TRAINING ENHANCE MITOCHONDRIAL ADAPTATIONS TO ENDURANCE TRAINING?

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Abstract

BACKGROUND: Resistance training (RT) is widely recognized as an effective method to increase strength and muscle mass, while endurance training (ET) is commonly used to achieve cardiovascular and mitochondrial adaptations. Recent reports have demonstrated that a short period of ET can augment RT adaptations. However, whether previous RT could also lead to enhanced adaptations to ET is currently unknown. Therefore, the goal of this study was to investigate the impact of RT on skeletal muscle mitochondrial adaptations following ET. METHODS: 23 young untrained males were recruited and divided into two groups: 1) ET-only (n=12), which performed 7 weeks of high-intensity interval training; 2) RT+ET (n=11), which performed 7 weeks of RT twice weekly before initiating 7 weeks of the same endurance training performed by ET-only. Muscle biopsies were obtained from participants' vastus lateralis (VL) before (PRE) and after (POST) ET. Muscle homogenates were used to determine the maximal activity of citrate synthase (CS) and immunohistochemistry was used to determine fiber type-specific mitochondrial content through staining of TOMM20. Furthermore, CS activity and mitochondrial content changes are presented as "raw" values (relative) and normalized to VL thickness and fiber cross-sectional area (absolute), respectively, to account for differences in muscle size.

RESULTS: Maximal CS activity change in response to ET was different between groups (relative: 36.6%, p=0.069

(trend); absolute: 40.1%, p=0.016), with ET-only group showing an increase in activity while RT+ET showed a decrease. Mixed-fiber mitochondrial content followed a similar pattern (relative: 28.1%, p=0.033; absolute: 31.7%, p=0.020), which was mainly driven by differences in type II fibers (relative: 40.1%, p=0.005; absolute: 44.6%; p=0.004).

CONCLUSION: Our results showed that performing RT prior to ET negatively impacted mitochondrial adaptations to ET in young untrained males.

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