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Interactions Between Gut Microbiota and Epigenetic Markers in Health and Disease

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Environmental factors such as microbes, diet, and pharmaceuticals significantly influence the development and progression of various diseases, including cancers, neuropsychiatric, cardiovascular, metabolic, autoimmune, and inflammatory disorders. These complex conditions result from dynamic interactions among the gut microbiota, their metabolites, host genetics, epigenetic regulation, and immune responses. Epigenetic modifications—such as DNA methylation. histone modification, and non-coding RNA regulation govern key cellular processes like proliferation. apoptosis, inflammation, and immune function, thereby shaping disease onset and progression. Recent evidence highlights that microbiota-derived metabolites, particularly short-chain fatty acids, can modulate epigenetic mechanisms by inhibiting histone deacetylases and altering DNA methylation, ultimately influencing gene expression and critical physiological processes such as immune regulation, mucosal integrity, metabolism, and organ function. This Special Issue of Cells focuses on recent advances in elucidating the interplay between intestinal microbiota and epigenetic regulation in disease pathogenesis and therapy.

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