Gut Microbiota
The Mastermind behind the Body’s Hidden Balance

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The best manifestation of the effective functioning of numerous tissues and organs in the human body is the maintenance of biological homeostasis. The gut microbiota’s balance is a potentially irreplaceable intrinsic mechanism for maintaining a healthy body balance. Disease occurs spontaneously when the balance of cause and effect is disrupted. As a result, the question of how to preserve and foster this equilibrium is crucial.

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THE human body is a highly sophisticated organic integration that is constantly in a state of dynamic equilibrium. When this equilibrium is within a healthy range for the body, numerous organs and tissues will carry out their usual physiological duties, keeping the body healthy. If this balance is disrupted by internal and external factors, many organs and tissues will be unable to fulfill their regular physiological tasks, leading to illness states and the emergence of various diseases as the times demand (1).

The gut microbiota (GM) is the collection of bacteria found in the human intestine. It is more than just a moniker; it plays a critical part in the regulation of physiological activities (2–4). While these secret microorganisms are frequently disregarded, their vital activities in the body cannot be overlooked. As the study goes on, the veil of the possible interaction between GM and the body is being peeled back.

So far, GM has been found to be intrinsically related to practically every organ and tissue in the human body so far (5). GM is also called “the second brain” (6). To some extent, this reflects the importance of GM, which is understandable. The GM, on the other hand, performs more regulatory duties than the second brain can comprehend. Given the constraints of study, GM research is still merely scratching the surface, and many concerns remain unanswered. There is no doubt that GM acts as a health and balance regulator in the human body, like a pair of hidden hands constantly controlling the proper physiological activities of every tissue and organ. Of course, the GM level is even more deserving of attention. Is it feasible to change the balance of the complete body when the GM is out of equilibrium? It is the balance of GM within the balance of the host physiological equilibrium (Figure 1).
Figure 1. The Balance-in-Balance Model of Gut Microbiota and Host Health.

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