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...and hyperglycemia in utero

120 100 % Response 90 nM KCI 80 60 40 20 0 -10 -9 -8 -7 Log (angiotensin II), (mol/l)

The intrauterine environment strongly influences adult disease susceptibility. Katkhuda and coinvestigators utilized a rat model of third-trimester maternal diabetes to test the hypothesis that adult offspring exposed to hyperglycemia in utero display increased blood pressure and

alterations in vascular responsiveness. Their findings suggest that this exposure results in sex-specific cardiovascular changes in adult offspring. See page 352

TOF repair and right ventricular dysfunction

Jeewa and colleagues investigated the association of hypoxia-inducible factor (HIF1A) variants with right ventricular (RV) remodeling after repair of tetralogy of Fallot (TOF) in children. They found that after TOF repair, lower numbers of HIF1A-functioning alleles were associated with RV dilation and dysfunction. This suggests that hypoxia adaptation in TOF may influence RV phenotype after repair. See page 407

Predicting total adipose tissue

The measurement of adipose tissue depots in vivo requires expensive imaging methods not accessible to most clinicians and researchers. Bauer

20

DXA total fat (kg)

10

30

40

40

30

10

0

0

05 TAT (kg)

The 2012 American Pediatric Society's Keynote Presidential Address by F. Bruder Stapleton is featured in this issue. Dr. Stapleton discusses diversity in the pediatric clinical and academic workforce. See page 441

In their case report of two brothers, Ojala and colleagues propose that a mutation in the human DNAJC19 gene has a role in early-onset dilated cardiomyopathy syndrome. DNAJC19 is a mitochondrial membrane protein that appears to cause methylglutaconic aciduria type V, one component of the syndrome. See page 432

Mind the gap

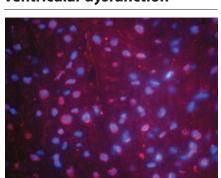


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et al. wrote mathematical models to predict total adipose tissue (TAT) and subdepots from total body fat on the basis of information derived from dual energy X-ray absorptiometry. In general, the prediction equations for TAT and subdepots were consistent with the measured values obtained using one- and two-year follow-up data. See page 420







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Fetal growth restriction...

The intrauterine growth-restricted (IUGR) heart is vulnerable to diabetic heart disease. Lim and colleagues examined the effect of induced type 1 diabetes on

myocardial collagen deposition and

offspring when blood alucose levels

concluded that exacerbated fibrosis

cardiac function in IUGR adult rat

were controlled. The investigators

in hyperglycemic IUGR hearts

may lead to long-term cardiac

dysfunction. See page 344