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Cellular-Redox-Related Stress Responses in Renal Disease and Their Related Complications

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Cells continuously experience several classes of stress, which contributes to cellular damage. To resolve this situation, cells trigger specific transcriptional programs and cellular stress responses to restore cellular homeostasis. Some of these are hypoxic stress response, unfolded protein response in mitochondria and endoplasmic reticulum, oxidative stress response, heat shock response, or autophagy, among others. When these stimuli or stressors are extraordinarily strong or persistent on time, cells undergo irreversible damage or cell death, contributing to enhancing susceptibility to disease or aggravating it. Once we know the mechanisms involved in the intracellular responses to stress, it is relevant to elucidate their regulation, the pathophysiological consequences in the renal context, and the signals triggered by these responses to communicate damage to other cells and tissues such as the cardiovascular system. Striking a balance between the molecular mechanisms aimed at restoring homeostasis and those which contribute to maladaptation and disease is key to slowing the progression of disease.



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