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降钙素基因相关肽介导的离体大鼠心脏缺血预处理¹

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关键词 降钙素基因相关肽; 心肌再灌注损伤; 心功能试验; 肌酸激酶

目的: 研究降钙素基因相关肽(CGRP)在离体大鼠心脏缺血预处理(PC)中的介导作用. **方法:** 离体大鼠心脏缺血 5 min 后再灌 5 min, 重复三次, 然

后缺血 30 min, 再灌 30 min 结果: PC 显著改善再灌时心功能, 降低室性心律失常发生率和减少心肌 CK 释放(对照、缺血再灌和预处理组 CK 活性分别为 0.30 ± 0.07 、 2.03 ± 0.49 和 $0.92 \pm 0.4 U \cdot \text{min}^{-1}/\text{g wet wt}$) CGRP 受体拮抗剂 CGRP₈₋₃₇ ($0.1 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$) 能取消 PC 所致的心功能改善, 室性心律失常发生率降低和 CK 释放减少(预处理和 CGRP₈₋₃₇ 处理组 CK 活性分别为 0.92 ± 0.4 和 $2.55 \pm 0.32 U \cdot \text{min}^{-1}/\text{g wet wt}^{-1}$, $P < 0.01$). **结论:** CGRP 是一种内源性心肌保护物质, 在大鼠心脏的 PC 中起重要作用

Effect of captopril on intracellular pH in vascular smooth muscle cells¹

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effect on Ang-II induced intracellular alkalinization in ASMC of rabbits. **CONCLUSION:** Oral Cap inhibits $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ exchange activity in ASMC of SHR rats.

AIM: To observe the effect of captopril (Cap) on intracellular pH (pH_i) in aortic smooth muscle cells (ASMC). **METHODS:** Cultured ASMC derived from rat and rabbit aortae were loaded with the fluorescent dye BCECF and pH_i was determined using digital image processing method. **RESULTS:** The pH_i of untreated SHR and WKY rats were 7.37 ± 0.29 and 7.19 ± 0.31 , respectively. Oral Cap decreased pH_i (7.11 ± 0.26 , $P < 0.05$) and exaggerated pH_i response to angiotensin II (Ang-II, $0.1 \mu\text{mol} \cdot \text{L}^{-1}$) in ASMC of SHR rats vs WKY rats (0.14 ± 0.05 vs 0.21 ± 0.05 pH units, $P < 0.01$). Cap *in vitro* had no

The $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ antiport is involved in the pathogenesis of hypertension⁽¹⁾. An augmented activity of this ion transport system is demonstrated in human hypertension and in inbred SHR rats^(2,3).

Antihypertensive treatment with angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitor captopril (Cap) reduces cellular Na^+ and Ca^{2+} which are linked to $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ exchanger in patients with essential hypertension and SHR rats⁽³⁻⁵⁾. Little is known about the effect of Cap on intracellular pH (pH_i) and its modulator $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ exchanger⁽¹⁾ although the effect of enalapril on this antiport has been examined⁽²⁾. The present study was undertaken to determine whether oral Cap affected $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ antiport in aortic smooth muscle cells (ASMC) of SHR rats. We also examined the effect of Cap *in*

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in vitro on pH_i changes in ASMC of rabbits.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Materials The molecular probe 2',7'-bis-(2-carboxy-ethyl)-5(6)-carboxyfluorescein acetoxyethyl ester (BCECF) was from Sigma. Angiotensin II (Ang-II) was from Sigma. Cap was obtained from Changzhou Pharmaceutical Factory. Medium-199 was from Nissui.

Solutions The HEPES-buffered solution (HBS) contained: NaCl 1, KCl 5.4, CaCl_2 1.2, MgCl_2 1.2, HEPES 10, and glucose 5 $\text{mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$. A 0.2 $\text{mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ stock solution of BCECF was prepared in Me_2SO .

Preparation of rats^[5] SHR (\uparrow , 8 wk old, $n = 10$, weighing 150 ± 13 g) and WKY rats (\uparrow , 8 wk old, $n = 5$ weighing 206 ± 15 g) were obtained from Shanghai Institute of Hypertension and divided into 3 groups: Cap-treated SHR group (SHR_{cap}, $n = 5$) received Cap at $100 \text{ mg}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}\cdot\text{d}^{-1}$ via the drinking water for 16 wk; untreated SHR ($n = 5$) and WKY group ($n = 5$) given tap water. Systolic blood pressure (SBP) was determined in conscious, restrained rats by the tail-cuff method. At the end of the dosing period, the aorta was excised.

Cell culture ASMC were cultured^[6] for 7–8 d of rat aortae or at passage level 9–11 derived from rabbit aortae. Cells of rabbits grown on coverslips at a density of $(1-5) \times 10^5 \text{ cells}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ were made quiescent in 0.4 % Medium-199 supplemented with Cap or vehicle for 48 h prior to experiment^[7]. The pH_i changes was assessed 2 min or 6–7 h after exposure to Ang-II.

Measurement of pH_i Cells grown coverslips were rinsed twice with HBS and loaded with BCECF $2 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ for 15 min at 37 °C. After loading, the cells on coverslips were washed twice with HBS and then placed in a small glass cuvette on the stage of fluorescence microscope. The fluorescence of BCECF loaded cells was monitored at λ_{em} 530 nm with λ_{ex} 450 nm and recorded by photograph. The grey values of images were measured using digital imaging method^[6,8] and then converted to pH_i on calibration curve.

Group *t*-test was used for statistic comparison.

RESULTS

Blood pressure of rats The SBP values of WKY, untreated SHR and SHR_{cap} were 16.0 ± 0.6 , 26.8 ± 0.9 , and 15.8 ± 0.4 kPa ($n = 5$ rats), respectively. SBP of untreated SHR was higher than that of the other two groups. There was no significant difference in SBP between WKY and SHR_{cap}.

Basal pH_i and pH_i response to Ang-II in ASMC of rats There was no significant difference

in basal pH_i between untreated SHR and WKY (7.37 ± 0.29 vs 7.19 ± 0.31 , $n = 20$ cells of 5 rats, 4 cells/rat). But basal pH_i was higher in ASMC of untreated SHR compared with SHR_{cap} (7.11 ± 0.26 , $n = 20$ cells of 5 rats, 4 cells/rat, $P < 0.05$). Ang-II $0.1 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ produced an intracellular alkalinization in ASMC of untreated-SHR, but had no apparent response in ASMC from both SHR_{cap} and WKY rats (Tab 1).

Tab 1. Angiotensin II ($0.1 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$)-induced changes in pH_i in aortic smooth muscle cells of rats. $n = 20$ cells of 5 rats (4 cells/rat), $\bar{x} \pm s$. * $P < 0.01$ vs untreated-SHR rats.

	pH changes (pH units)
Untreated-SHR rats	0.21 ± 0.05
Cap treated-SHR rats	$0.14 \pm 0.05^*$
WKY rats	$0.11 \pm 0.09^*$

Effect of Cap on Ang-II-induced pH_i changes in ASMC of rabbits Basal pH_i was 7.13 ± 0.29 ($n = 40$ cells of 4 rabbits, 10 cells/rabbit). Ang-II $0.1-10 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ induce intracellular alkalinization in a concentration-dependent manner (7.34 ± 0.3 , 7.45 ± 0.31 , and 7.59 ± 0.27 , $n = 20$ cells of 4 rabbits, 5 cells/rabbit). Cap $0.1-10 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ had no effect on Ang-II ($1 \mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$)-induced intracellular alkalinization (7.52 ± 0.21 , 7.49 ± 0.34 , and 7.38 ± 0.28 vs 7.45 ± 0.31 , $n = 20$ cells of 4 rabbits, 5 cells/rabbit, $P > 0.05$).

DISCUSSION

Our results revealed that antihypertensive therapy with Cap for 16 wk decreased pH_i and exaggerated Ang-II-induced intracellular alkalinization in ASMC of SHR rats. It was reported that pH_i and vasoconstrictor-induced pH_i changes were regulated by $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ exchanger^[1,3] of which activity was enhanced in SHR rats^[2,3]. These results indicate that oral Cap decreases enhanced $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ exchange activity in ASMC of SHR. These results did not agree with studies by Rossop *et al*^[2] who demonstrated that elevated platelet $\text{Na}^+ - \text{H}^+$ exchange activity was refractory to antihypertensive treatment with enalapril for 6 wk. Perhaps, the difference may be due to different duration of therapy or different type of ACE

inhibitors. Our results also showed that Ang-II induced a concentration-related intracellular alkalization in ASMC of rabbits, but pH_i response to Ang-II remained unchanged when ASMC were incubated with Cap. This shows that Na⁺-H⁺ exchanger in ASMC of normotensive animals is resistant to Cap.

The results of this study demonstrated that oral cap caused a decrease in enhanced Na⁺-H⁺ exchange activity in ASMC of SHR rats and Cap *in vitro* did not affect Na⁺-H⁺ exchanger in ASMC of rabbits. We can not tell whether there is difference in Na⁺-H⁺ exchanger between normotensive animals and hypertensive animals and whether Cap can directly interfere with the Na⁺-H⁺ antiport in ASMC of SHR rats or not.

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卡托普利对血管平滑肌细胞内 pH 影响¹

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平滑肌 pH

关键词 胸主动脉; 培养的细胞; 近交 SHR 大鼠; 近交 WKY 大鼠; 氢; 钠; 血管紧张素 II; 卡托普利

目的: 观察 Cap 对主动脉平滑肌细胞 (ASMC) pH 的影响. **方法:** 荧光指示剂 BCECF 标记培养的大鼠或家兔 ASMC 用计算机图象处理技术确定 pH 值. **结果:** SHR 大鼠 ASMC pH 相似 WKY 大鼠. 口服 Cap 降低 ASMC pH ($P < 0.05$) 和对 Ang-II 的增强碱化反应 ($P < 0.01$). 体外 Cap 处理不影响 Ang-II 引起家兔 ASMC 碱化. **结论:** 口服 Cap 抑制 SHR 大鼠 ASMC Na⁺-H⁺ 交换.

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