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H. 知的財産権の出願・登録状況

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H-3.その他

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Role of Notch Signaling in the Maintenance of Human Mesenchymal Stem Cells Under Hypoxic Conditions

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Human adipose tissue-derived multilineage progenitor cells (hADMPCs) are attractive for cell therapy and tissue engineering because of their multipotency and ease of isolation without serial ethical issues. However, their limited in vitro lifespan in culture systems hinders their therapeutic application. Some somatic stem cells, including hADMPCs, are known to be localized in hypoxic regions; thus, hypoxia may be beneficial for ex vivo culture of these stem cells. These cells exhibit a high level of glycolytic metabolism in the presence of high oxygen levels and further increase their glycolysis rate under hypoxia. However, the physiological role of glycolytic activation and its regulatory mechanisms are still incompletely understood. Here, we show that Notch signaling is required for glycolysis regulation under hypoxic conditions. Our results demonstrate that 5% O₂ dramatically increased the glycolysis rate, improved the proliferation efficiency, prevented senescence, and maintained the multipotency of hADMPCs. Intriguingly, these effects were not mediated by hypoxia-inducible factor (HIF), but rather by the Notch signaling pathway. Five percent O₂ significantly increased the level of activated Notch1 and expression of its downstream gene, *HES1*. Furthermore, 5% O₂ markedly increased glucose consumption and lactate production of hADMPCs, which decreased back to normoxic levels on treatment with a γ-secretase inhibitor. We also found that HES1 was involved in induction of GLUT3, TPI, and PGK1 in addition to reduction of TIGAR and SCO2 expression. These results clearly suggest that Notch signaling regulates glycolysis under hypoxic conditions and, thus, likely affects the cell lifespan via glycolysis.

Introduction

HUMAN ADIPOSE TISSUE-DERIVED mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs), also referred to as human adipose tissue-derived multilineage progenitor cells (hADMPCs), are multipotent stem cells that can differentiate into various types of cells, including hepatocytes [1], cardiomyoblasts [2], pancreatic cells [3], and neuronal cells [4–6]. They can be easily and safely obtained from lipoaspirate without posing serious ethical issues and can also be expanded ex vivo under appropriate culture conditions. Moreover, MSCs, including hADMPCs, have the ability to migrate to injured areas and secrete a wide variety of cytokines and growth factors that are necessary for tissue regeneration [7–11]. In addition, due to their hypoimmunogenicity and immunomodulatory effects, hADMPCs are good candidates as gene delivery vehicles for therapeutic purposes [12]. Thus, hADMPCs are attractive seeding cells for cell therapy and tissue engineering. However, similar to other somatic stem cells or primary cells,

hADMPCs have limited growth potential and ultimately stop proliferation as a result of cellular senescence [13], which hinders their therapeutic application.

Conversely, embryonic stem cells (ESCs) and induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs) are immortal under standard culture conditions. Recently, several groups have reported that these cells greatly rely on glycolysis for energy production even under high-oxygen conditions [14–16]. This phenomenon is known as the Warburg effect and was originally described for cancer cells by Otto Warburg in the 1920s [17]. Although mitochondrial respiration is more efficient than glycolysis in generating ATP (net yield of 30 ATPs vs. 2 ATPs), glycolysis is able to produce ATP considerably faster than mitochondrial respiration as long as glucose supplies are adequate. Thus, a metabolic shift from mitochondrial respiration to glycolysis would provide a growth advantage for actively proliferating cells. Moreover, Kondoh et al. demonstrated that enhanced glycolysis is also involved in cellular immortalization through reduction of

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intrinsic reactive oxygen species (ROS) production [14,18,19]. Since accumulation of intrinsic ROS levels could be a major reason for replicative senescence [20], enhancing glycolysis in cultured cells might improve the quality of the cells by suppressing premature senescence. One candidate method for induction of glycolysis is application of low-oxygen conditions to activate the transcription factor, hypoxia-inducible factor (HIF). HIF-1 is known to increase the expression of most glycolytic enzymes and the glucose transporters GLUT1 and GLUT3 [20]. Thus, several studies have reported that hypoxia is beneficial for the maintenance of hESCs in a pluripotent state [21,22]. Moreover, low oxygen tension has been reported to enhance the generation of iPSCs both from mouse and human primary fibroblasts [23].

Recently, hypoxic culture conditions have also been reported to confer a growth advantage, prevent premature senescence, and maintain undifferentiated states in somatic stem cells; for example, hematopoietic stem cells (HSCs) [24], neural stem cells [25], and bone marrow-derived MSCs [26]. These stem cells reside in their local microenvironments called the “stem cell niche,” where the oxygen tension is relatively low (in the range of 1%–9%). Thus, hypoxic culture may be beneficial to these stem cells with regard to in vitro proliferation, cell survival, and differentiation. Takubo et al. reported that HSCs activated Pdk through HIF1 α in hypoxic culture conditions, resulting in maintenance of glycolytic flow and suppression of the influx of glycolytic metabolites into mitochondria, and this glycolytic metabolic state was shown to be indispensable for the maintenance of HSCs [27]. Several studies have reported that MSCs exhibit a high level of glycolytic metabolism in the presence of high oxygen levels and further increase their rate of glycolysis on culture under hypoxia [28,29]. However, a relationship between beneficial effects of hypoxic conditions and metabolic status in addition to involvement of HIFs in the metabolic changes has not been investigated in these reports.

In this study, we aimed at investigating the effect of 5% oxygen on hADMPCs. Our results demonstrate that culture under 5% oxygen increased the glycolysis rate, improved the proliferation efficiency, prevented the cellular senescence, and maintained the undifferentiated status of hADMPCs. Intriguingly, these effects were not mediated by HIF, but rather by Notch signaling, an important signaling pathway required for the development of many cell types and maintenance of stem cells [30,31]. Five percent oxygen activated Notch signaling, resulting in the upregulation of *SLC2A3*, *TPI*, and *PGK1* in addition to the downregulation of *TIGAR* and *SCO2*, which may contribute to the increase in the glycolysis rate. These observations, thus, provide new regulatory mechanisms for stemness maintenance obtained under 5% oxygen conditions.

Materials and Methods

Adipose tissue samples

Subcutaneous adipose tissue samples (10–50 g each) were resected during plastic surgery from five female and two male patients (age 20–60 years) as discarded tissue. The study protocol was approved by the Review Board for Human Research of Kobe University Graduate School of

Medicine Foundation for Biomedical Research and Innovation, Osaka City University Graduate School of Medicine, and Kinki University Pharmaceutical Research and Technology Institute (reference number: 12-043). Each subject provided signed informed consent.

Cell culture

hADMPCs were isolated as previously reported [11,32–34] and maintained in a medium containing 60% DMEM low glucose, 40% MCDB-201 medium (Sigma Aldrich), 1× insulin-transferrin-selenium (Life Technologies), 1 nM dexamethasone (Sigma Aldrich), 100 mM ascorbic acid 2-phosphate (Wako), 10 ng/mL epidermal growth factor (PeproTech), and 5% fetal bovine serum. The cells were plated to a density of 5×10^3 cells/cm 2 on fibronectin-coated dishes, and the medium was replaced every 2 days. For hypoxic culture, cells were cultured in a gas mixture composed of 90% N₂, 5% CO₂, and 5% O₂. For maintenance of the hypoxic gas mixture, a ProOx C21 carbon dioxide and oxygen controller and a C-Chamber (Biospherix) were used.

Senescence-associated β -galactosidase staining

Cells were fixed with 2% paraformaldehyde/0.2% glutaraldehyde for 5 min at room temperature and then washed twice with phosphate-buffered saline (PBS). The cells were then incubated overnight at 37°C with fresh senescence-associated β -galactosidase (SA- β -Gal) chromogenic substrate solution (1 mg/mL Bluo-gal (Life Technologies), 40 mM citric acid (pH 6.0), 5 mM potassium ferrocyanide, 5 mM potassium ferricyanide, 150 mM NaCl, and 2 mM MgCl₂).

Measurement of ROS production

Cells were harvested and incubated with 10 μ M 5-(and-6)-chloromethyl-2',7'-dichlorodihydrofluorescein diacetate, acetyl ester (CM-H₂DCFDA). The amount of intracellular ROS production was proportional to the green fluorescence, as analyzed using a Guava EasyCyte 8HT flow cytometer (Millipore) using an argon laser at 488 nm and a 525/30 nm band pass filter, and dead cells were excluded using the Live/Dead Fixable Far Red Dead Cell Stain Kit (Life Technologies).

EdU proliferation assay

For assessment of cell proliferation, hADMPCs were seeded on a fibronectin-coated six-well plate at a density of 5×10^3 cells/cm 2 and cultured for 3 days. Cell proliferation was detected by incorporating of 5-ethynyl-2'-deoxyuridine (EdU) and using the Click-iT EdU Alexa Fluor 488 Flow Cytometry Assay Kit (Life Technologies). Briefly, according to the manufacturer's protocol, cells were incubated with 10 μ M EdU for 2 h before fixation, permeabilized, and stained with EdU. EdU-positive cells were then analyzed using the 488 nm laser of a Guava EasyCyte 8HT flow cytometer (Millipore).

Flow cytometry analysis

Flow cytometry analysis was performed as previously described [34]. Briefly, hADMPCs were harvested and resuspended in staining buffer (PBS containing 1% BSA, 2 mM EDTA, and 0.01% sodium azide) at a density of