



PSA exposed to CSE (CSE-PSA) showed increase resistance to oxidative burst by neutrophil and hydrogen peroxide treatment. To examine the underlying mechanism of these increases in virulence, RT-qPCR was used on control- and CSE-PSA to observe changes in gene expression. Genes that encode parts and regulation of PSA efflux pumps (*mexA*, *mexX*, *mexZ*) showed increased gene expression in CSE-PSA over control-PSA. Of three oxidative stress response genes (*gpx*, *oxyR*, *tpx*), only *tpx*, a gene encoding a thiol peroxidase homolog, demonstrated statistical significance. However, all three genes showed a trend of overall increase, suggesting that cigarette smoke is inducing changes in PSA gene expression. We conclude that cigarette smoke increases virulence in PSA virulence by increasing gene expression involved in antibiotic resistance and oxidative stress.

The *FHIT* gene is located on the most fragile site in the human genome. *FHIT* gene deletions are among the earliest and most frequent events in carcinogenesis, particularly in carcinogen-exposed tissue. Previous work in mouse and cell culture models established *FHIT* to be an authentic tumor suppressor. Re-expression of *FHIT* in cell culture causes cell death via initiation of apoptosis, but the precise mechanism underlying this process is unclear. It is well established that cellular transition from normal to transformed occurs in multiple steps and requires the accumulation of several genetic changes. Relying on the compelling phenotype of tumor development in *FHIT* knockout mice, this project aimed to elucidate a mechanism through which *FHIT*-deficient cells are primed to survive multiple genetic and environmental stresses, and promote progression of cancer. My work indicates that *FHIT* expression is required for the normal cellular response to oxidative stress, and presents evidence that in the absence of *FHIT*, an oxidative stress response pathway is superinduced. When *FHIT* is depleted from cells exposed to cigarette smoke, the expression of a subset of oxidative stress response genes is enhanced. Enhanced activation of these genes can occur as an adaptive response to stress induced by reactive oxygen species production, and is frequently detected in cancer. Investigation into the mechanism underlying the enhanced gene expression determined that *FHIT* loss is associated with decreased levels of the transcriptional repressor *Bach1*. In this manner, we propose that loss of *Fhit* supports an antioxidant program that is pivotal in establishing and maintaining carcinogenic transformation.

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Neuroscience of Nicotine: Mechanisms and Treatment presents the fundamental information necessary for a thorough understanding of the neurobiological underpinnings of nicotine addiction and its effects on the brain. Offering thorough coverage of all aspects of nicotine research, treatment, policy and prevention, and containing contributions from internationally recognized experts, the book provides students, early-career researchers, and investigators at all levels with a fundamental introduction to all aspects of nicotine misuse. With an estimated one billion individuals worldwide classified as tobacco users—and tobacco use often being synonymous with nicotine addiction—nicotine is one of the world's most common addictive substances, and a frequent comorbidity of misuse of other common addictive substances. Nicotine alters a variety of neurological processes, from molecular biology, to cognition, and quitting is exceedingly difficult because of the number of withdrawal symptoms that accompany the process. Integrates cutting-edge research on the pharmacological, cellular and molecular aspects of nicotine use, along with its effects on neurobiological function Discusses nicotine use as a component of dual-use and poly addictions and outlines numerous screening and treatment strategies for misuse Covers both the physical and psychological effects of nicotine use and withdrawal to provide a fully-formed view of nicotine dependency and its effects This dissertation, "Effects of Human Mesenchymal Stem Cells on Cigarette Smoke-induced Lung Damage" by Xiang, Li, 李响, was obtained from The University of Hong Kong (Pokfulam, Hong Kong) and is being sold pursuant to Creative Commons: Attribution 3.0 Hong Kong License. The content of this dissertation has not been altered in any way. We have altered the formatting in order to facilitate the ease of printing and reading of the dissertation. All rights not granted by the above license are retained by the author. Abstract: [Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is a chronic inflammatory disease characterized by persistent airway obstruction that is only partially reversible. It is the fourth leading cause of death and is predicted to be the third by 2030. The progression of the disease involves chronic inflammation, oxidative stress, excess protease activity, increased lung cell apoptosis and accelerated lung aging, but the exact pathogenesis is still unclear. The major cause of COPD is cigarette smoking(CS). Although COPD is associated with increasing social and economical burden, there have been few advances in pharmacological therapy of COPD. Mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs) are fibroblast-like multipotent stem cells which can be isolated from a broad range of sources including bone marrow (BM) and adipose tissue. Administration of BM-derivedMSCs (BM-MSC) or adipose tissue-derived MSCs was reported to attenuate CS-induced emphysema in murine models. Induced pluripotent stem cell-derived MSC (IPSC-MSC) are MSCs differentiated from induced pluripotent stem cells(IPSCs), which are pluripotent cells generated by somatic cell reprogramming in vitro. IPSC-MSCs have several advantages over BM-MSC, including more abundant sources and high capacity of doubling without loss of differentiation potency. A general exploration and comparison on the effects of human IPSC-MSC and BM-MSC treatments were carried out in a 56-day CS-exposed rat model. Compared to BM-MSC, IPSC-MSC showed a higher capacity to reside in lung tissue. The two treatments shared similar efficacy to attenuate CS-induced lung cell apoptosis, to restore CS-induced reduction of lungIL-10and to alleviate CS-induced elevation of systemic TGF-β1. In addition, IPSC-MSC was found to cause reduction in CS-induced elevation of systemic oxidative stress and reversal of CS-induced reduction of lung adiponectin. Furthermore, in order to understand the possible paracrine mechanism involved, human airway epithelial cells were treated with IPSC-MSC or BM-MSC-conditioned medium in a cell culture system in the presence of cigarette smoke medium (CSM). Potentiation rather than attenuation of CSM-induced release of pro-inflammatory cytokine IL-8, MCP-1 and IL-6 was observed with IPSC-MSC or BM-MSC conditioned medium. It is currently unknown whether cultured IPSC-MSCs or BM-MSCs will release pro-inflammatory mediators into the conditioned medium or not. In order to study CS-induced oxidative stress and inflammation in a short time frame, acute (5-day) CS-exposed rat model was established in juvenile and adult groups. An age-dependent alteration of CS-induced oxidative and inflammatory responses was demonstrated in this model. In summary, our in vivo rat model provides a platform for elucidating the effects of stem cell treatment in CS-induced oxidative stress and inflammation, leading to lung damage. Our findings suggest that treatment of IPSC-MSC or BM-MSC might be able to slow down CS-induced disease progression, possibly through anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and anti-apoptotic properties. However, caution should be taken as our in vitro data revealed that conditioned medium from MSCs may provoke pro-inflammatory responses. Further studies on the regulation of the activity of MSCs in vivo will be needed before developing IPSC-MSC into cell therapies for COPD to halt the progression over time. DOI: 10.5353/th\_b4961820

Specifically focusing on the redox regulation of cell signaling responsible for oxidative stress and inflammatory tissue damage, this reference provides a comprehensive overview of cutting-edge research on the intracellular events mediating or preventing oxidative stress and pro-inflammatory processes induced by endogenous and xenobiotic factors-analyzing the implications of oxidative stress and inflammatory damage in the pathogenesis of human disorders such as cancer, neurodegenerative disease, and diabetes.

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