

BRAIN CELLS REACTION IN A RESPONSE TO ANTIGEN INJECTION IN ANIMALS EXPOSED TO ACUTE PRENATAL STRESS

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РЕАКЦИЯ КЛЕТОК МОЗГА В ОТВЕТ НА ВВЕДЕНИЕ АНТИГЕНА У ЖИВОТНЫХ ПЕРЕНЕСШИХ ПРЕНАТАЛЬНЫЙ СТРЕСС

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Prenatal stress is one of the major cause of long-term disorders in behavioral and neuroimmune processes. Emotional prenatal maternal stress (PRMS) performs in an offspring tendency to anxiety, depressive-like behavior and weakening memorizing skills. The study field was to determinate preproorexin gene expression of the maturity rats held in prenatal stress on the 19th day. The expression level was measured in two hours after intravenous LPS injection. qPCR showed significant reduction in preproorexin gene expression in hypothalamus cells. This result corresponds with behavioral tests where animals exposed to stress during the late term of in utero development demonstrate less motion search activity which allows to suspect a connection between prenatal stress and incidences of psycho-neuro-immune relationships disorders.

Keywords: stress; prenatal stress; maternal stress; preproorexin; LPS; antigen injection.

Пренатальный стресс является одной из основных причин долговременных нарушений в поведенческих реакциях и нейроиммунных процессах. Эмоциональный стресс во время беременности провоцирует формирование тенденций к тревожности, депрессивно-подобному поведению и снижению памяти. В данном исследовании предметом изучения являлось определение экспрессии гена препроорексина в мозге у взрослых крыс Вистар, перенесших пренатальный стресс. По результатам ПЦР установлено значительное снижение экспрессии гена препроорексина через два часа после в/в инъекции ЛПС. Данные результаты соотносятся с поведенческими тестами, в которых животные опытных групп, демонстрируют меньшую двигательную и поисковую активность, что позволяет предполагать связь между пренатальным стрессом с проявлением нарушений психонейроиммунных взаимодействий.

Ключевые слова: стресс; пренатальный стресс; материнский стресс; препроорексин; ЛПС; введение антигена.

Introduction. Prenatal development influences on functional abilities of an adult organism [2]. Emotional prenatal maternal stress (PRMS) during late pregnancy reflects in progeny through increasing anxiety level, depressive-like behavior and lower memorizing skills [3]. Restricted mobility is the most often used method to stimulate emotional stress in rodents. Hypothalamic neuropeptide orexin plays an important role in the pathophysiology of mental disorders, including depression [4]. Consequences of chronic emotional maternal stress have received wide coverage in many publications [3, 4] while acute impact is still not studied enough.

The purpose of this study was to determine hypothalamic preproorexin gene expression in a response to intravenous LPS injection from old rats stressed prenatally on 19th day of intrauterine development.

Materials and methods. On the 19th day of pregnancy, female rats were exposed to emotional stress through a restriction in a plastic tube for 20 minutes. Four months old male offspring were divided into two groups — 13 reared in standard condition (subgroups 1 and 2), and 12 exposed to PRMS (subgroups 3 and 4). LPS (*E. Coli* 055:B5,

“Sigma”, L2880) was injected into the tail vein in 500 mcI/kg dose (table).

Hypothalamus samples were taken in two hours after injection. “Aurum Total RNA Fatty and Fibrous Tissue Pack” (Bio-Rad) kit was used for mRNA isolation. Reverse transcription (RT) reaction was performed according to the standard protocol. Primer pairs for qPCR were made by “Beagle”: preproorexin (PPOx): sense 5'-TGTCGCCAGAAGACGTGTTC CTG-3'; antisense 5'-AAGACGGGTTACACACTCTGG-ATC-3', annealing temperature 62 °C; G3PDH: sense 5'-CCACTCA-GAAGACTGTGGAT-3', antisense 5'-GTCATCATACTTGGCAGGTT-3', annealing temperature 55 °C. 10mcliTaqTM Universal SYBR[®] Green Supermix (BioRad) was used as reaction master. QPCR was performed by CFX384 Touch amplificatory. Gene expression level was majored to G3PDH gene by using 2^{-ΔΔCq} method. Data were analyzed by U-criterion. QPCR products were identified by melt curves analyze.

Results. According to qPCR results, control animals have a significantly higher level of PPO gene expression in two hours after LPS intravenous injection which have a confirmation

Animals' groups

Name	Groups of animals	Number of animals	Injected substance	Average weight of the animals	Injected solution's volume/concentration
Subgroup 1	Control	6	Saline solution	396	200 mcl
Subgroup 2	Control	7	LPS	392	200 mcl/500 mcg/kg
Subgroup 3	PRMS	6	Saline solution	420.5	200 mcl
Subgroup 4	PRMS	6	LPS	443.5	200 mcl/500 mcg/kg

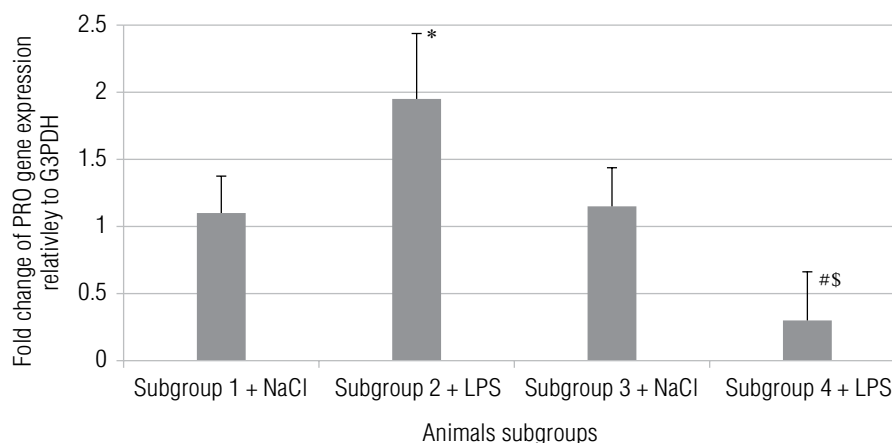


Fig. PPO gene expression level of adult male Wistar rats exposed to prenatal stress. * $p < 0.05$, compared with subgroup 1; #, \$ $p < 0.05$, compared with subgroups 2 and 3

in publications [5]. It has been observed that in PRMS group, in two hours after intravenous LPS injection, the level of PPO gene expression was reliable lower compare to subgroups 2 and 3 (Figure).

Discussion. In adults animals stressed prenatally during lateterm of intrauterine development was defined lover searching activity and stress tolerance compare to animals reared in standard

condition. Previously collected data [1] and the results of this study demonstrate that it is possible to assume connection between decreasing level of PPO gene expression in neurons in a response to antigen introduction and stress tolerance.

Conclusion. From the literature and own outcomes must be assumed that prenatal stress during late pregnancy manifests itself in an adult offspring in a disruption of neuroimmune interactions.

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