

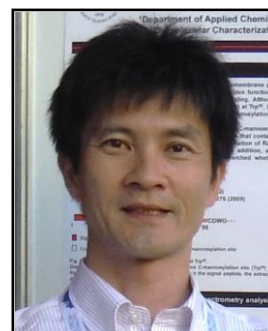
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Grant Title: Identification of Novel C-mannosyltransferase in Human Cells

Abstract

Objectives:

C-mannosylation is a mysterious protein glycosylation, because there are two reasons; i) the number of substrates is still about 30 proteins and ii) only DPY19 family is responsible C-mannosyltransferase so far. To identify novel C-mannosyltransferase, we sought to find unique substrate proteins, and searched for novel biological role of C-mannosylation in cultured cell lines.



Methods:

We have already established the protocol for purification of recombinant protein from HT1080 cells, a human fibrosarcoma cell line. We obtained several cDNAs encoding candidates as C-mannosylated proteins, transfected and established proteins of interest-overexpressing cells. Moreover, we tried to clarify the role of C-mannosylation for differentiation, we examined whether C-mannosylation is required for the myogenic differentiation by knock-out of *DPY19L3* gene.

Results:

We could identify several novel C-mannosylated proteins, such as Isthmin-1, ADAMTS4, RAMP1, PMEL and Vmo1. Isthmin-1 and ADAMTS4 are C-mannosylated in the TSR domain. The C-mannosylation positively regulates for secretion of both Isthmin-1 and ADAMTS4. Interestingly, RAMP1 was C-mannosylated by DPY19 family-independent manner, suggesting that there is another C-mannosyltransferase(s) in human cells.

Furthermore, we deleted *DPY19L3* gene from C2C12 cells, and evaluated whether *DPY19L3* regulates myogenic differentiation. Knock-out of *DPY19L3* gene resulted in suppression of MEK/ERK phosphorylation levels, expressions of differentiation markers and myogenic differentiation, indicating that *DPY19L3*-mediated C-mannosylation (C-mannosylated protein(s)) is important for the differentiation.

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