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Conservation of Mucous Epithelial Characteristics in the Human Middle Ear Epithelial Cell Line

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ABSTRACT

Background and Objectives : The stable cell line system of middle ear epithelial cells is essential for studying molecular pathogenesis of otitis media. Recently, we succeeded in establishing the human middle ear epithelial cell line (HMEEC) using a retrovirus. The cell line retains many of the phenotypic and morphological properties of the non-transformed, parental cultures such as the expression of cytokeratin and tight junctions. We aimed to show the conservation of mucosal characteristics and subcellular mechanisms of transcriptional regulation in this cell line. **Materials and Method** : RT-PCR was performed using mucin gene specific primers and total RNA extracted from HMEEC. The luciferase-expressing vector containing 5' flanking region of human beta defensin 2 (hBD-2), an inducible antimicrobial peptide, was transfected to HMEEC. After starvation of serum, HMEEC was treated with interleukin 1 alpha (IL-1 α) and subsequently harvested 10 hrs later. Luciferase activity was measured using luminometer after the corresponding substrate was supplemented to the cell lysate. **Results** : Expression of mucin genes (MUC1, 2 and 5B) in HMEEC was demonstrated by RT-PCR. Luciferase assay showed that IL-1 α up-regulates the promoter activity of hBD-2 more than 10 fold. This transcriptional regulatory mechanism was also demonstrated in the well-established reference cell lines, HeLa cells and A549 cells. **Conclusion** : We demonstrated the conservation of mucin gene expression and transcriptional regulatory mechanism of hBD-2 in HMEEC. The proposed cell line can serve as a useful experimental model for elucidating the pathogenesis of middle ear mucosa-related diseases. (Korean J Otolaryngol 2004;47:299-303)

KEY WORDS : Defensins · Middle ear · Cell line.

가 .
 ,⁴⁾ human papilloma virus type 16 E6/E7
 가 retrovirus
 (HMEEC - 1) (immortalization)
 .⁵⁾ , HMEEC - 1 cytokeratin
 tight junction
 가
 .
 .¹⁻³⁾ HMEEC - 1가
 가 , mucin

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Mucin

가 .

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가 mucin 가 , extract(52 µg/ml), hydrocortisone(0.5 µg/ml), hEGF (0.5 ng/ml), epinephrine(0.5 µg/ml), transferrin(10 µg/ml), insulin(5 µg/ml), triiodothyronine(6.5 µg/ml), retinoic acid(0.1 µg/ml), gentamycin(50 µg/ml), amphotericin - B(50 µg/ml) 가 .

가 mucin 가 , 6-9) (0.5 ng/ml), epinephrine(0.5 µg/ml), transferrin(10 µg/ml), insulin(5 µg/ml), triiodothyronine(6.5 µg/ml), retinoic acid(0.1 µg/ml), gentamycin(50 µg/ml), amphotericin - B(50 µg/ml) 가 .

가 - defensin 12)13) 가 HeLa () A549 () . HeLa cell 5% fetal calf serum 가 DMEM 37 , CO₂ 5%가 HMEEC - 1 - defensin 가 14)15) .

가 HMEEC - 1 mucin Reverse transcription - polymerase chain reaction (RT - PCR) HMEEC - 1 total RNA spectrophotography . 1 µg total RNA random primer reverse transcriptase (Superscript™, Life Technology) cDNA , cDNA Taq DNA polymerase(Qiagen, Valencia, CA, USA) specific primer(Table 1) . Human lung total RNA(Clontech Laboratories, BD Bioscience, Franklin Lakes, NJ, USA) reverse transcriptase PCR 50 ng/ml ethidium bromide가 가 1.2% agarose gel(Sigma, St. Louis, MO, USA) . hBD - 2

Cell culture Human papilloma virus type 16 E6/E7 가 retrovirus (HMEEC - 1)⁵⁾ . Dulbecco 's modified Eagle 's medium (DMEM, Life Technologies, Gaithersburg, MD, USA) Bronchial epithelial basal medium(Clonetics, Walkersville, MD, USA) 1 : 1 bovine pituitary

Table 1. Specific primer sequences and amplification conditions

Gene (Accession no.)	Sequences	Product size (bp)	Annealing temperature ()	Cycle
<i>MUC1</i> (M35093)	5'-CTCCTTCTCCTGCTGCTG 3'-CAGCTGAACCTGAAGCTGGT	256	58	35
<i>MUC2</i> (L21998)	5'-TGCCTGGCCCTGTCTTG 3'-CAGCTCCAGCATGAGTGC	440	58	35
<i>MUC5B</i> (U95031)	5'-ATGAAACCTGGGTC AACAGC 3'-GGGCCTCTGCTGAGTACTTG	282	58	35
<i>2 Microgloblin</i> (V00567)	5'-CTCGCGCTACTCTCTTTCTGG 3'-GCTTACATGTCTCGATCCCACTTAA	355	56	28
<i>hBD-2*</i> (AH068861)	5'-ATTCCTGATGCCTCTCCAG 3'-ACACCAGAGGGACCTTGTT	137	56	28
<i>-actin</i> (AH009377)	5'-CTACAATGAGCTGCGTGTGG 3'-CGTGAGAAGGTCCGGAAGGAA	285	55	27
5' flanking region of <i>hBD-2</i> (AF071216)	Forward primer with <i>KpnI</i> tail 5'- GAGGTACCTCCATCCTTACTGTGATGATGCC Reverse primer with <i>HindIII</i> tail 3'-ACCACTTCGAGGGTCGGTAGTCGGTTTCGAAAG	2642	68	30

*hBD : human defensin

가
(HMEEC - 1, HeLa, A549) IL - 1
(10 ng/ml, Sigma) 3 total RNA
RT - PCR

Cloning and sequencing of the 5 ' flanking region of human beta defensin 2 gene

- defensin 2 gene(hBD - 2) 5 'flank-
ing (2,627 bp from -2,625 to +1)
specific primer PCR tailing *Hind*
Kpn 가 (Table 1).
PCR ligase pGL3 luci-
ferase reporter plasmid(Promega, Madison, WI, USA)
multiple cloning sites (Fig. 1). Chimeric
construct

Transfection and luciferase assay

Cationic lipid(LT1, PanVera, Madison, WI, USA)
hBD - 2 5 'flanking region lucife-
rase construct HMEEC - 1, HeLa, A549
transfection Transfection 20
starvation IL - 1 (10 ng/ml)
IL - 1 10
luciferase substrate(Promega) lumino-
mitor(Pharmingen, La Jolla, CA, USA) luci-

ferase hBD - 2 promoter
negative control(null promoter) positive control
(SV40 promoter) HMEEC - 1
hBD - 2 (transcriptional regulation)
(A549, HeLa)

Expression of MUC genes

RT - PCR MUC MUC1,
MUC2, MUC5B 가 HMEEC -
1 (Fig. 2). HMEEC - 1
MUC1
MUC2 MUC5B
HMEEC - 1
MUC1, MUC2, MUC5B

Expression of - defensins and effect of IL - 1 treatment

HMEEC - 1 - defensin 2(hBD -
2) RT - PCR , hBD - 2 IL - 1
가 A549
HeLa hBD - 2가 IL - 1 가
(Fig. 3).

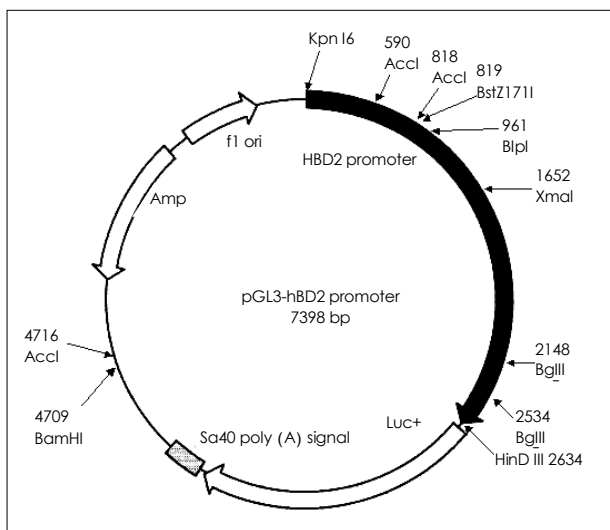


Fig. 1. The vector map shows the luciferase-expressing construct containing the hBD-2 gene regulatory region. 5' flanking region (2,627 bp) of hBD-2 was isolated by PCR amplification. The PCR product was subcloned into the multiple cloning site of promoterless vector expressing luciferase using restriction enzymes (*Kpn* I and *Hind* III) and ligase.

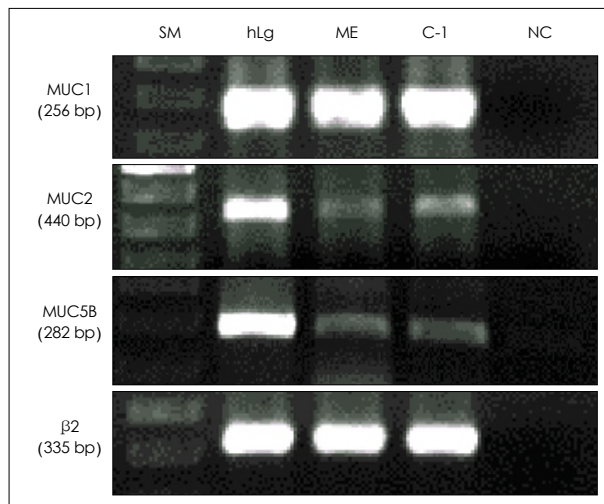


Fig. 2. The expression of mucin genes. RT-PCR was performed with the total RNA extracted from human middle ear mucosa and HMEEC-1 using specific primers to MUC genes. The expression of *MUC1*, *MUC2*, and *MUC5B* genes is noted in both human middle ear mucosa and HMEEC-1 with the similar pattern. SM : size Marker, hLg : human Lung tissue, ME : middle Ear Mucosa, C-1 : HMEEC-1, NC : negative control.

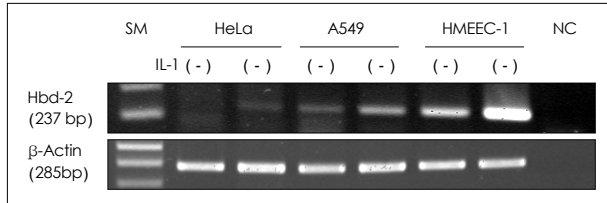


Fig. 3. Up-regulation of *hbd-2* gene expression by IL-1. HMEEC-1, HeLa cells and A549 cells were treated with IL-1 after 24 hours starvation and harvested 3 hours later. Total RNA was extracted and converted to cDNA with random primers and reverse transcriptase. Segments of *hbd-2* genes were amplified with Taq DNA polymerase specific primers. The expression of *hbd-2* is up-regulated by the treatment of IL-1.

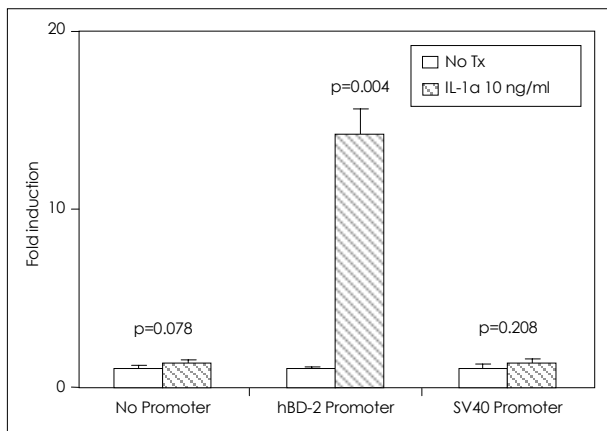


Fig. 4. The comparison of IL-1 effect on the promoter activity. The promoter construct was transfected to HMEEC-1. After starvation, IL-1 was treated and promoter activity was analyzed by luciferase assay. Null promoter and SV40 promoter, a positive control, show no activity change after IL-1 treatment. In contrast, the promoter activity of 5' flanking region of *hbd-2* is up-regulated by IL-1 more than 10 times.

Transcriptional regulation of *hbd-2* by IL-1

Luciferase assay subcloning *hbd-2* 5'flank-
ing region promoter null promoter SV40 pro-
moter, null promoter SV40 promoter
IL-1 가
($p > 0.05$). *hbd-2* 5'flanking region promoter
IL-1 14.1 ± 1.5 ($p = 0.004$) 가
(Fig. 4). IL-1
HMEEC-1 9.6 ± 1.1 ($p = 0.005$), A549
58.2 ± 10.2 ($p = 0.001$), HeLa 18.5 ± 7.9 ($p =$
0.019) *hbd-2* promoter 가
(Fig. 5).

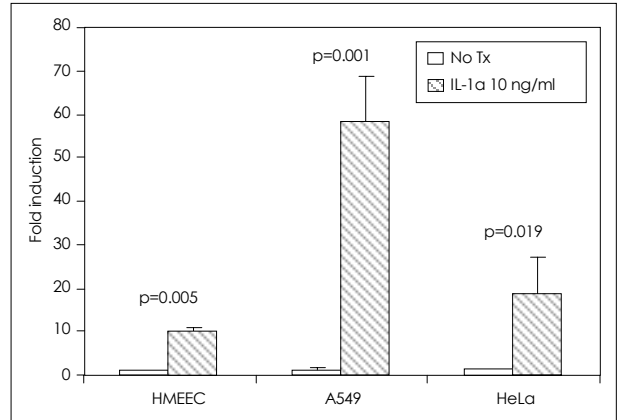


Fig. 5. The comparison of IL-1 effect on the promoter activity of *hbd-2* in the different cell lines. IL-1 treatment induces the promoter activity of 5' flanking region of *hbd-2* in HMEEC-1. This transcriptional regulatory mechanism is observed in the reference cell lines, A549 and HeLa cells.

primary
culture HPV 16 oncoprotein E6 E7
replication - defective retrovirus
viral transfection hypodiploid 3, 9, 13, 15, 18
4)5) HMEEC - 1

- defensin

HMEEC - 1 MUC1, MUC2, MUC5B
가
MUC1,
MUC2, MUC3, MUC4, MUC5AC
MUC5AC MUC5B가 4)7-9)
, MUC5B MUC4

9)
- defensin cationic
peptide

10) Defensin disulfide bond
defensin subfamily - defensin
Paneth 16) -

defensin ,
19) - defensin 1(BD - 1)
proinflammatory cytokine

2) - defensin 2(BD -
 가 .¹⁸⁾
 BD - 1
¹⁹⁾
 BD - 2
 가 ,²⁰⁾
 HMEEC - 1 hBD - 2 IL - 1
 가 , hBD - 2
 가 A549 HeLa
 가 ,
 가 transcriptional regulation HMEEC -
 1 IL - 1 hBD - 2 가
 HMEEC - 1 MUC
 hBD - 2
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