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The Effects of Oocyte Preparation on the Developing Capacity of Human Oocytes at Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI)

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Objective: In the preparation of ICSI, cumulus and corona cells should be removed from the oocytes by using a combination of enzymatic (hyaluronidase) and mechanical (pipetting) methods. But little is known about the effects of different degrees of oocyte denudation and incubation time between denudation and sperm injection on the outcomes of ICSI. The aim of this study was to evaluate the effects of varying the degrees of oocyte denudation and the lengths of incubation time from denudation to sperm injection on the outcomes of ICSI.

Methods: In experiment 1, patients (oocytes) were grouped into group A and B according to the degree of denudation, complete and partial, respectively. In experiment 2, patients (oocytes) were grouped into group , and according to the length of incubation time of denuded oocytes until sperm injection as < 1, 1-2 and >2 hours, respectively.

Results: There was no significant difference between the degree of oocyte denudation on the survival, fertilization and development rates after ICSI procedure. In case of the incubation time of denuded oocytes until ICSI, survival rates was higher in group (83.1%) than in group (61.5%, $P < 0.05$) or group (64.3%). However no statistically significant differences were found between incubation time and fertilization or development rates.

Conclusions: This study reveals that the outcomes of ICSI are not affected by the degree (complete or partial) of oocyte denudation. However, the denuded oocytes with incubation period of more than 2 hours show better outcomes of ICSI than those with the incubation period of less than 2 hours.

Key Words: Degree of oocyte denudation, Incubation time, Intracytoplasmic sperm injection

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(ICSI) , Palermo (1)
, ICSI
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.2 6 , ,
hyaluronidase
pipette ICSI
.7 8 ICSI corona cell
cumulus cell hyaluronidase가 가
.7 8 pipetting
10IU pipette 1000 μ m
.7 Van de Veld (8) ICSI incubation (1-2
5-6) ICSI M ICSI
가 ,
incubation ICSI
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1.

F-10 Nutrient Mixture Medium (Ham's F-10, 11550-043, Gibco, USA) 1.2 g/
 NaHCO₃ (S -5761, Sigma, USA) 가 ICSI .
 Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM, 11966-025, Gibco, USA) .
 Vero cell monolayer Tissue Culture Medium 199 (TCM-199, 11150-059, Gibco, USA) .
 0.5% antibiotics (Streptomycin sulfate, S9137; Penicillin-G, P-3032, Sigma, USA) 가 , (Osmomat 030, Gonatec, Germany)
 280 mOsm/kg . 0.2 μm
 (Millex GV, Millipore, USA) 14 MØ tube (2001, Falcon, USA) 4
 가 95% , 37 5% CO₂
 (3154, Forma, USA) 6 .

2.

gonadotrophin releasing hormone agonist (GnRH-a) .
 Mid-luteal phase 900 μg Buserelin (Suprefact, Hoechst, Germany) ,
 estradiol human menopausal gonadotropin (hMG, Pergonal, Serono, Italy)
 follicle stimulating hormone (FSH, Urofollotropin, Metrodin, Serono, Italy)
 18 mm 2 10,000 IU
 human chorionic gonadotrophin (hCG, Profasi, Serono, Italy) , hCG
 34-36
 37 5% CO₂ (IVF chamber, Hoffman, USA)
 (SMZ-10, Nikon, Japan) 0.1% hyaluronidase가 가 2 MØ Ham's F-10
 . ICSI
 가 ICSI
 1 2 .

1) 1: 가 ICSI (ICSI ,
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 (Group A) (Group B) ICSI (,
 ,) 가
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2) 2: ICSI ,
 1 (Group), 1 2 (Group) 2 (Group)
 ICSI

3. (hFF, human follicular fluid)

hFF
 (3,500 rpm) 2 (30 , 10) hFF
 0.2 μm -20 56 가 35
 2 .

4. (ICSI)

Holding pipette (P-2174, Sigma, USA) 100-150 μm, 10-15 μm가 ,

sperm injection pipette (ICSI micropipette, Humagen, USA) 7-8 μm , 5-6 μm
 . DPBS 3% polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVP, PVP-360, Sigma, USA) 10 μl
 paraffin oil (294365H, BDH, UK) ICSI 가 ()
 1 가) DMEM (10% hFF) , PVP
 . injection pipette
 가 injection pipette 가 1
 . , injection pipette 1
 가 6 12 , injection pipette
 가 activation 2-3
 . , 37 5% CO2
 . 가

5. Vero cell monolayer

Vero cell Ouhibi (9) , cell 2 3 $\times 10^6$
 cell flask 4 (6 8 $\times 10^6$ cell 가) , trypsin
 cell suspension 3 . flask
 , monolayer 2 ml
 200,000 cells 3 . Vero cell Ouhibi
 (9) .

6. Vero cell monolayer

Vero cell monolayer가 .
 20% hFF가 가 DMEM ,
 2-3 .

7.

ICSI
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SAS package (10)
 t -test 5%

1. ICSI 가 ICSI (ICSI) ,
) (Group A) ICSI (Group B) ICSI
 , Table 1 .
 (Group A) (Group B) ICSI
 , (77.3% : 79.2%), (2 PN; 65.9% : 54.2%) (/2PN; 98.3% :
 96.2%) 가 . group
 A (65.9%)가 group B (54.2%) .

2. ICSI ICSI ICSI
 , ICSI ICSI
 2 (Group) ICSI 1 (Group), 1 2 (Group)
 (Table 2).
 (83.1%)가 group (61.5%) group (64.3%) , group
 (Group : Group ; P<0.05, Group : Group ; NS).
 , (2PN; 46.2% : 50.0% : 59.3%) (66.7% :
 100% : 100%) .

ICSI , , 가 , ,
 .2 4,6 8,11,12 ICSI
 .13,14 sperm parameter ICSI 가
 .5,14 Ca²⁺-ionophore Ca²⁺ oscillation 가
 ICSI 가 .16,17 , Yanagida (18) ICSI electrical
 activation 100% ,
 (6) ICSI immobilization . Palermo
 ICSI , 가 immobilization protein lipid
 , decondensation , Chen (19) immobilization
 immobilization 가 , Chen (19) mid-piece immobilization
 . Tasdemir (20) Chen (19) ICSI immobilization
 . 400 ICSI
 , 9%
 Palermo (6)
 (oolemma) (sudden breakage) ,
 () ,
 Conaghan (21) 2-4 EBSS
 pyruvate-0.47mM, glucose-free medium
 (22) glutamine 가
 DMEM
 M DMEM
 가 (hFF) (23)
 ICSI
 hyaluronidase 가 가 pipetting
 .7 8 Van de Veld (7) 10, 39 78 IU/Mℓ ,
 98-137 ICSI pipette 250 1000 μm 가
 , ICSI 가 ,
 (unknown harmful effect) (10 IU/Mℓ) 1000
 μm pipette 0.1% (66
 IU/Mℓ), pipette 200 μm 2-3 가
 , pipette ICSI
 , hyaluronidase
 pipetting ICSI pathenogenetic activation
 ,24,25 가 ICSI
 Van de Veld (8) ICSI
 가 incubation ICSI
 가 incubation ICSI
 ICSI , ICSI 2

가 ICSI
 (2 PN) 2 ICSI 가 , ,
 (65.9%) (54.2%)
 ICSI
 가 ICSI
 ICSI
 Van de Veld (8) ICSI incubation (1-2
 5-6) ICSI M
 incubation
 (<1, 1-2, >2) ICSI ,
 (<1 : 1-2; P<0.05, 1-2 : >2; NS). (2PN)
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 , ICSI ,
 ICSI 2 . ICSI
 ICSI ICSI ICSI

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Table 1. The effects of degree of oocyte denudation (complete or partial) on the outcomes of ICSI.

	Group A	Group B
	Complete denudation	Partial denudation
No. of cycles	12	9
No. of injected oocytes	88	48
No. of survived oocytes (%)	68 (77.3)	38 (79.2)
No. of 2 PN status oocytes (%)	58 (65.9)	26 (54.2)
No. of cleaved embryos / 2 PN (%)	57 (98.3)	25 (96.2)

No significant difference between group A and B.

Table 2. Effects of incubation period (< 1, 1-2 or > 2 hours) from denudation to sperm injection on the outcomes of ICSI.

	Group ----- < 1 hr	Group ----- 1-2 hrs	Group ----- > 2 hrs
No. of cycles	4	3	11
No. of injected oocytes	39	14	59
No. of survived oocytes (%)	24 (61.5)*	9 (64.3)	49 (83.1)*
No. of 2 PN status oocytes (%)	18 (46.2)	7 (50.0)	35 (59.3)
No. of cultured embryos	15	7	31
No. of cleaved embryos (%)	10 (66.7)	7 (100)	31 (100)

* P<0.05