



= Abstract =

Since the blastocyst is broken and spreads out on a flat plastic culture dish (two dimensional culture) during in vitro development, it has been difficult to study the implantation process. It also has been difficult to analyse the interactions between endometrial epithelial and stromal cells because of the lack of a long-term in vitro model which can stimulate in vivo characteristics, as these cells eventually fail to proliferate or cease to express differentiated functions.

Recently nontransformed cell lines, CUE-P and CUS-V2, derived from rat endometrial epithelium and stroma were reported. In this study, morphology of CUE-P and CUS-V2 was examined and oxytocin gene expression by CUE-P cells was demonstrated by RT-PCR. The CUE-P cells have a cuboidal morphology and CUS-V2 cells resemble fibroblast and exhibit a spindle-like morphology. In RT-PCR, same size of PCR products of oxytocin gene at hypothalamus, uterus and CUE-P cells were demonstrated. These results showed three dimensional culture system could be made by using the new cell lines.

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1.

CUE-P(Cemal Uterus Epithelial cells-Plasmid transfected; donated from Zingg), CUS-V2(Cemal Uterus Stromal cells-retroviral transfected, clone2; donated from Zingg) (cell line) 100 U/mL penicillin(GibcoBRL, Gaithersburg, MD, USA), 50 µg/mL streptomycin(GibcoBRL, Gaithersburg, MD, USA), 5% FBS(GibcoBRL, Gaithersburg, MD, USA) 10% FBS가 가 F12/DMEM(GibcoBRL, Gaithersburg, MD, USA) 37°C 32°C .

2. total RNA

Total RNA acid guanidium phenol-chloroform (Chomzynski & Sacchi, 1987) . , tissue tearer solution D(4 M guanidium thiocyanate; 25 mM sodium citrate, pH 7.0; 0.5% sarcosyl; 0.1 M 2-mercaptoethanol) .

Dulbecco phosphate buffered saline(D-PBS, GibcoBRL, Gaithersburg, MD, USA) solution D pipetting 1.5 mL tube . 0.1 2 M sodium acetate(pH 4.0), 1 0.2 chloroform-isoamyl alcohol (49:1) 15 . 4°C, 13000 rpm 20 , RNA 1 isopropanol . RNA 4°C, 13000 rpm 20 , 70% , 10 µL 3 .

3. (RT-PCR) oxytocin mRNA

cDNA total RNA 가 (Boehringer, Mannheim, Germany) 100 pmol RNA 75°C 10 가

RNA 2 . 4°C , RNA  
 . RNase H<sup>-</sup>-MMLV (Promega, WI, USA) 200 units가  
 (4 μL dNTP [ 2.5 mM], 0.25 μL RNasin [26 U/ μL, Promega, WI, USA], 4  
 μL 5x [Promega, WI, USA]) RNA , diethyl  
 pyrocarbonate 20 μL가 . cDNA  
 37°C 1 , 95°C 5  
 . 4°C , -20°C .  
 PCR 10x PCR (Perkin Elmer Cetus, NJ, USA) 4 μL, dNTP 3.2  
 μL( 2.5 mM), 1U Ampli-Taq polymerase(Perkin Elmer Cetus, NJ, USA)가  
 2 μL , 3 40 μL가  
 . 10 pmol PCR . PCR  
 mineral oil(Sigma, St. Louis, MO, USA) 25 μL , PCR cyclor(Phamacia  
 LKB, Gene ATAQ controller, NJ, USA) . PCR 94°C 1 ,  
 55°C 1 , 72°C 1.5 , cycle 72°C 10 .

1. CUS-V2 CUE-P

Fig. 1 A CUE-P CUS-V2 Fig. 1 B  
 CUS-V2 CUE-P cuboid CUS-V2  
 fibroblast spindle-like  
 10 (passages)

2. oxytocin mRNA

exons A,B CUE-P oxytocin RT-PCR  
 (Fig. 2). estrus . 2%  
 가 , total RNA RT-PCR  
 PCR CUE-P RT-PCR (Fig. 3).

CUS-V2 CUE-P

CUE-P CUS-V2 CUE-P cuboid 가  
 , CUS-V2 fibroblast CUE-P  
 CUS-V2 10 1  
 CUE-P CUS-V2

Oxytocin supraoptic and paraventricular nucleus hypothalamic  
 magnocellular neuron (Jirikovsky et al., 1988).  
 central nervous system (Argiolas et al., 1990),  
 (Ang & Jenkins, 1984), (Nicholson et al., 1984), (Wathes & Swann, 1982)  
 (Schaeffer et al., 1984) oxytocin ,  
 (Lefebvre et al., 1992).

CUE-P oxytocin 가 mRNA  
 , oxytocin , exon A sense primer  
 , exon B antisense primer (Ivell & Richter, 1984) genome 가  
 PCR 가

PCR CUE-P  
 total mRNA RT-PCR CUE-P  
 RT-PCR PCR  
 CUE-P가 가  
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 가 가

CUS-V2

CUE-P

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A

B

Fig. 1. Morphology of immortalized uterine cells. A, epithelial cell-derived cell line CUE-P; B, stromal cell-derived cell line CUS-V2. Magnification, x 100

Fig. 2. A, General scheme of RT-PCR. OTA+ and OTB- are corresponding to exon A and B specific primer. B, Primers used at oxytocin RT-PCT. Each primer is 20 oligonucleotides

216bp

Lane 1 2 3 4

Fig. 3. Demonstration by RT-PCR of oxytocin gene expression by CUE-P cells. The calculated sizes of the predicted products from PCR reactions are 216bp. Lane 1 is marker; lane 2 is hypothalamus; lane 3 is uterus; lane 4 is CUE-P cells