

## 细胞外信号调节激酶 1/2 在血管内皮细胞凋亡中的表达变化及作用

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**[关键词]** 细胞外信号调节激酶; 内皮细胞; 动脉硬化; 细胞凋亡

**目的** 观察细胞外信号调节激酶 1/2 (ERK1/2) 在血管紧张素 II 诱导的内皮细胞中不同时点的表达变化, 为阐明血管内皮细胞凋亡对动脉粥样硬化的诊治具有重要意义。**方法** 制备血管紧张素 II RPMI1640 培养液 ( $10^{-6}$  mol/L) 培养人脐静脉内皮细胞, 采用四甲基偶氮唑蓝比色法测定内皮细胞存活率, 通过 AnnexinV-FITC/PI 双染流式细胞仪检测细胞凋亡率、Hochest33258 荧光染色观察凋亡细胞形态学的变化, 利用 RT-PCR 法分析凋亡调控基因 Bcl-2、Bax mRNA 表达变化, Western-Blot 测定磷酸化 ERK1/2 水平。**结果** 血管紧张素 II 诱导内皮细胞的凋亡率明显高于对照组 ( $P < 0.01$ ), 与对照组相比, Bcl-2 mRNA 表达

呈持续性降低; Bcl-2/Bax 比值下降, ERK1/2 磷酸化水平于 12 h 明显增加, 18 h 达到高峰 ( $P < 0.01$ ), 24 h 下降至稳定, 总 ERK1/2 蛋白水平无明显变化。结论 ERK1/2 信号转导途径参与血管紧张素 II 诱导内皮细胞的凋亡发生、发展过程, 并可能通过调控内皮细胞 Bcl-2/Bax 比值来实现。

## Effect of ERK1/2 Signal Transduction Pathway in Vascular Endothelial Cell Apoptosis

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**[ABSTRACT]** **Aim** To explore the changes in extracellular signal-regulated protein kinase (ERK1/2) in endothelial cell induced by Angiotensin II at the different time courses, and its possible molecular mechanism. **Methods** Human umbilical vein endothelial cell (HUVEC) were cultured in vitro and intervened by Ang II. HUVEC were divided into 2 groups, the control group, Ang II group (stimulated by Ang II  $10^{-6}$  mol/L for 24h). Flow cytometry with Annexin V-FITC/PI double staining and Hoechst33258 fluorescence staining were used to detect apoptosis of HUVEC. The expressions of apoptosis-association genes Bcl-2, Bax were detected by RT-PCR and ERK1/2 levels were detected by Western-blotting at different time points. **Results**  $10^{-6}$  mol/L Angiotensin II stimulation stimulated cell apoptosis. Bcl-2 mRNA levels were time-dependently decreased, the ratio of Bcl-2/Bax was decreased markedly ( $P < 0.05$ ). Phosphorylation of ERK1/2 began to increase and reach the peak at 18 h ( $P < 0.01$ ). **Conclusions** Cell apoptosis is possibly important factor for atherosclerosis. One of its molecular mechanisms might be associated with decreasing the expression level of Bcl-2 and the ratio of Bcl-2/Bax. There is a probability that activated ERK1/2 signal pathway is involved in the process of pathologic and physiologic reaction in the apoptosis of endothelial cell induced by Angiotensin II.

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