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20-Hydroxyeicosatetraenoic acid (20-HETE), the product of 20hydroxylation of arachidonic acid by cytochrome P450 isoforms (CYP4F2 and CYP4A11), has a role in the oncogenesis of several human tumors. Recently, the GPR75 receptor has been identified as the target for 20-HETE. We have shown that androgen independent prostate cancer cells (PC-3) express GPR75. The aim of this study was to assess in vitro if 20-HETE/GPR75 modify the metastatic features of PC-3 cells. Cells were incubated with 20-HETE or its stable analog 5,14-HEDGE (both 0.1 nM) in the presence or absence of two different antagonists of the 20-HETE receptor, AAA or 19-HEDE (both 5 or 10 uM). The following assays were performed: e-cadherin and vimentin protein expression (epithelialmesenchymal transition), zymography (release of matrix metalloproteinase-2 (MMP-2)), immunofluorescence and p-FAK (changes of cytoskeleton), scratch wound healing (migration), and soft agar colony formation (anchorage-independent growth). Results were analyzed using one-way ANOVA followed by Dunnet's. 20-HETE (24 h) increased by 150 % the expression of vimentin (p<0.0001, n= 3) and diminished by 40 % the expression of ecadherin (p<0.0001, n= 3), whereas these effects were reversed by AAA (p<0.0001 and p<0.05, respectively). 20-HETE increased by 52 % the release of MMP-2 (p<0.05, n= 3), and this was also inhibited by AAA (p<0.001). AAA disorganized the actin filaments throughout PC-3 cells, while tubulin filaments remained unchanged. Also, 20-HETE increased by 89 % FAK phosphorylation (Y397) (p<0.0001, n= 3). 20-HETE increased by 147 % cell migration rate (p<0.0001, n= 3) and this effect was reverted by both antagonists, AAA or 19-HEDE (p<0.05 and p<0.0001, respectively), or by knockdown of GPR75 (p<0.0001). Finally, 5,14-HEDGE (21 days) formed twice the number of colonies vs. control (p<0.05, n= 2) and this was abolished by AAA  $\,$ (p<0.05). These results strongly suggest a role for GPR75 in 20-HETE-mediated metastatic features in PC-3 cells.

## 0072 - INTRACELLULAR CL- MODULATION OF IL-16 SECRETION AND THE NLRP3 INFLAMMASOME EXPRESSION/ACTIVITY REQUIRE SGK1

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The impairment of the CFTR activity induces intracellular chloride [Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sub>i</sub> accumulation and consequently, as a second messenger, stimulates the secretion of interleukin-1ß (IL-1ß). We have previously described that this secretion starts an autocrine positive feedback loop. Moreover, the expression of two subunits of the inflammasome complex: NLR family pyrin domain containing 3 (NLRP3) and caspase-1 (CASP1), that are involved in the IL-1ß maturation, are indirectly modulated by the [Cl-]i. On the other hand, cellular and mitochondrial ROS (reactive oxygen species) also are regulated by [Cl-]i. Recently, other authors found that differences in [Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sub>i</sub> modulates SGK1 (serum-glucocorticoid kinase 1) phosphorylation and subsequently regulates NF-kB activation in airway epithelial cells. Therefore, we decided to study the effects of SGK1 on IL-1ß expression at different [Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sub>i</sub>. In this study we used IB3-1 cells (a bronchial cell line derived from a cystic fibrosis patient with a DF508/W1282X CFTR genotype) and Caco-2 cells (transfected with CFTR-shRNA). The cells were incubated for 1 h at 5 or 75 mM Cl<sup>-</sup>, in presence of ionophores tributyltin (10  $\mu$ M) and nigericin (5  $\mu$ M) to equilibrate [Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sub>e</sub> and [Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sub>i</sub>. To explore if SGK1 was also involved in the IL-1ß response to [Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sub>i</sub>, we used the SGK1 inhibitor GSK650394 at 0, 0.1, 1 and 10  $\mu$ M. After, we determine IL-1ß expression by quantitative real-time RT-PCR and ELISA quantification in culture media. To analyze the ROS response, we

determined DCF fluorescence and MitoSOX fluorescence by microplate reader and/or flow cytometry. The results showed that SGK1 inhibitor diminished the response of IL-1ß mRNA to changes in the [Cl<sup>-</sup>]<sub>i</sub> from 5 to 75 mM; GSK650394, at 10  $\mu$ M, completely abrogated the IL-1ß mRNA response to Cl<sup>-</sup> 75 mM (p<0.05, n= 3). Similar results were obtained on the secreted IL-1ß. On the other hand, SGK1 inhibitor, significatively reduced both, cellular and mitochondrial ROS levels at 75 mM Cl<sup>-</sup> (p<0.05, n = 3), suggesting that both the IL-1ß loop and the ROS response to Cl- were blocked by GSK650394. Similar results were found in Caco-2 with CFTR-shRNA. The results suggest that Cl<sup>-</sup> effects are indirectly mediated by SGK1, which under Cl<sup>-</sup> modulation stimulates the secretion of mature IL-1ß, in turn responsible for the observed upregulation of ROS and CASP1, NLRP3, and IL-1ß itself. The exact point of SGK1 action is still unknown.

## 0074 - INTRACELLULAR SIGNALING PATHWAYS TRIGGERED BY THE STIMULATION OF THE G-COUPLED PROTEIN RECEPTOR GPR75 BY 20-HYDROXYEICOSATETRAENOIC ACID (20-HETE) IN ANDROGEN INDEPENDENT PROSTATE CANCER CELLS.

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## 0076 - OPTIMIZATION OF LOOP-MEDIATED ISOTHERMAL AMPLIFICATION (LAMP) FOR THE DETECTION OF TRITRICHOMONAS FOETUS

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