

**Reperfusion Hyperemia Demonstrated on Perfusion MRI:
It's Relationship with Programmed Cell Death**

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목적 : To evaluate the relationship between reperfusion hyperemia in reversible cerebral ischemia and the degree of programmed cell death.

대상 및 방법 : We produced the animal models of reversible cerebral ischemia in 10 cats by means of middle cerebral artery (MCA) occlusion with transorbital approach. MCA was occluded by microvascular clamp for an hour. MR imaging was performed at 0, 1, 2 days after ischemia and reperfusion. Perfusion (PWI) [Contrast enhanced GRE EPI, TR/TE=1500/40, 40 phases, 128 matrix, 12 cm FOV] and diffusion (DWI) [SE EPI, b=0, 500, 1000] weighted images were obtained using Philips Intera 1.5T system. rCBV and ADC maps were calculated with IDL based postprocessing program. Tissue slices were obtained after the last MR imaging. TUNEL, Calbin and Acid-Fuchsin staining were done for corresponding slices as MR imaging. We investigated the differences of degree of apoptosis in the area of reperfusion hyperemia.

결과 : There were two different areas in the zone of reperfusion hyperemia, DWI reversal zone and DWI irreversible zone. The degree of TUNEL positive cells on high power microscopy was well correlated with the degree of reperfusion hyperemia based on rCBV ratio of the ischemic zone comparing to the normal contralateral side. Calbin and Acid-Fuchsin staining also showed same relationship as TUNEL staining.

결론 : Reperfusion hyperemia induces various degree of programmed cell death although some areas can be seen as normal zone on diffusion weighted MR imaging.