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Locomotor Stimulant Effects of Cocaine and Morphine in mu-Opioid Receptor Knockout Mice

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Administration of psychostimulants and opioids leads to an increased locomotor activity to the drugs. The locomotor stimulatory properties of cocaine and opioid may be related to their rewarding properties and these substances are primarily abused for their rewarding or euphoric qualities. The majority of evidence indicates that the neurochemical effects of cocaine and morphine underlying its ability to increase the motor activity related to the dopaminergic system. However, the roles of other neurotransmitter systems have received less attention and are poorly understood, although the role of dopamine in the behavioral effects of these drugs is well-established.

The present study was investigated the locomotor activity of wild-type(Wild) and mu-opioid receptor knockout (KO) mice following cocaine and morphine administration to examine the role of mu-opioid receptors. Furthermore we examined gender differences effects of locomotor activity. Locomotor activity was measured by video-tracking system after administration of cocaine(15mg/kg, i.p.) and morphine (10mg/kg, s.c.) for 30 min. Treatment with morphine enhanced by 46% in Wild (vs KO), by 42% in Wild-female (vs KO-female). Treatment with cocaine augmented the locomotor activity by 48% in Wild (vs KO), by 67% in Wild-male (vs Wild-female), and by 40% in Wild-male (vs KO-male). These results suggest that morphine and cocaine stimulate locomotor activity through mu-opioid receptors. It was observed gender difference that male mouse is more vulnerable in cocaine-induced locomotor activity. [This work was supported by grant No 2000-1-21300-001-3 from Basic Research Program of the Korea Science & Engineering Foundation]

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In vivo inhibitory activity of YJA203798 against Helicobacter pylori

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Helicobacter pylori(H. pylori) is a microaerophilic spiral bacterium and infection by the organism may cause gastritis in the human stomach. Furthermore, it is considered to be involved in the pathogenesis of peptic ulcers and the development of gastric carcinoma. In this study, we assessed the in vivo inhibitory activity of YJA203798, a novel antiulcer agent, against H. pylori. YJA203798 was administered to H. pylori infected Mongolian gerbils which is a useful small animal model to study the pathogenesis of H. pylori in gastric ulceration. The degree of inflammation was scored in a blind manner on a scale of 0~3 for body and antrum and that of density was checked in the same manner. All scores were mean values of 6 animals. The degrees of inflammation and density were dose dependently reduced. From these results, it is suggested that YJA203798 exhibited in vivo antiinflammatory and antimicrobial activity against H. pylori. Therefore, YJA203798 may be developed as a candidate for non-antibiotic therapeutic strategy against H. pylori.

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Antithrombotic Activity of VK-708, a Newly Synthesized Vitamin K Derivative

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