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SYNOPSIS

Matrix vesicles are a specific class of extracellular vesicles with a diameter between 100 and 300 nm. Under physiological conditions, they are blebbed from hypertrophic chondrocytes during endochondral ossification, from osteoblasts during intramembranous ossification and from odontoblasts during mantle dentin formation. Matrix vesicles, by accumulating calcium and phosphate, can initiate the first step of nucleation of crystals leading to apatite. The symposium is focused on answering questions such as: How matrix vesicles are released by mineralizing cells? How calcium and phosphate accumulate in matrix vesicles? What are the biochemical and biophysical properties of matrix vesicles? To what extent do they affect ectopic calcification? What clinical applications could be derived from a better knowledge of the functions of matrix vesicles? How proteoliposomes that mimic matrix vesicles could be used in nanomedicine?

TOPICS

- Matrix vesicles formed during physiological and pathological conditions
- Functions of matrix vesicles
- Biogenesis of matrix vesicles
- Methods to analyze the morphology and biochemical and biophysical properties of matrix vesicles
- Determination of calcium and phosphorus inside matrix vesicles
- Lipidomics and phospholipase activity in matrix vesicles
- Proteoliposomes mimicking matrix vesicles

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Sanford Burnham Prebys Medical Discovery Institute, La Jolla, USA.

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University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine - McGowan
Institute for Regenerative Medicine, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA, USA.

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Poland.

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Department, Monaco

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Proteoliposomes as a model for matrix vesicles
University of São Paulo Ribeirão Preto, Brazil.

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Application of proteoliposomes matrix vesicle mimetics in the biomineralization and its interactions with collagen matrix.

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Lipidomics on Matrix Vesicles

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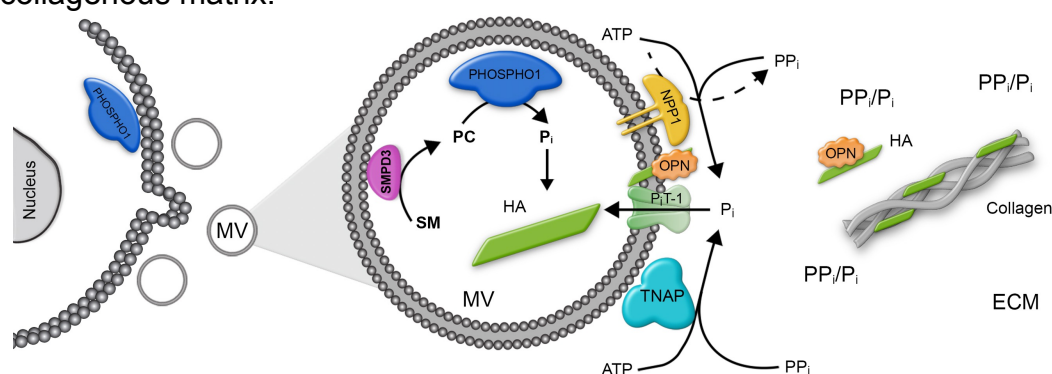
The function of matrix vesicles in physiological and pathological mineralization.

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Proper mineralization of skeletal and dental tissues is fundamental to the fitness and survival of vertebrates. However, the intimate biochemical processes that lead to mineralization of the skeleton have not yet been completely elucidated.

Our current understanding of the biochemical pathways involved in MV-mediated initiation of skeletal, dental and vascular calcification is compatible with the following sequence of events, shown schematically in the figure below: MVs initiate mineral deposition by accumulation of P_i generated intravesicularly by the action of PHOSPHO1 on phosphocholine derived from sphingomyelin by the action of SMPD3, and also via the P_i transporter PiT-1-mediated incorporation of extracellular P_i generated extravesicularly by TNAP and/or NPP1 on ATP. The extravesicular propagation of mineral onto the collagenous matrix is mainly controlled by the pyrophosphatase activity of TNAP that restricts the concentration of this potent mineralization inhibitor to establish a PP_i/P_i ratio conducive to controlled calcification. Additionally, osteopontin (OPN), another potent mineralization inhibitor that binds to HA as soon as it is exposed to the extracellular fluid, further restricts the degree of extracellular matrix ECM mineralization. However, how MVs are formed is still unclear and little is known about how apatite crystals formed within MVs propagate onto the collagenous matrix. Our working hypotheses postulate that 1) MV biogenesis is controlled by PHOSPHO1 function and 2) that once blebbed, MVs bind to collagen fibrils through specific molecular interactions mediated in part by TNAP and annexins. Furthermore, 3) once the MV-initiated crystals become exposed to the ECM, binding of OPN to those crystals promotes propagation of mineralization onto the collagenous matrix.



Understanding MV biogenesis and function is critical to being able to develop rational approaches for the prevention of ectopic calcification. Our work has already shown that TNAP inhibitors can prevent soft-tissue calcification in preclinical models of medial vascular calcification. PHOSPHO1 is another druggable target being considered for the prevention of ectopic calcification to be used alone or in combination with TNAP inhibitors. This “dual phosphatase” inhibition strategy might be expected to reduce ectopic calcification by reducing the mineralization ability of

MVs as well as by interfering with MV biogenesis, thus representing a powerful double-hit therapeutic strategy

Molecular Regulation of Matrix Vesicles Biogenesis

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Matrix vesicles (MVs) are a specific type of extracellular vesicles with a unique function of supporting the initiation of the mineralization process. Although it has been well documented that MVs are released by many cell types producing mineralizing extracellular matrix, regulation their formation is not well understood. The goal of our studies is to identify extracellular stimuli of MVs release and molecular mechanisms regulating this process. Using cellular models of mineralization, we have demonstrated that committed osteogenic cells rapidly increase formation of MVs, when stimulated with above-physiologic concentrations of extracellular inorganic phosphate (P_i). This P_i -induced release of MVs is dependent on activation of Erk1/2 kinases and is associated with activation of Rac1 and cdc42 small GTPases and reorganization of the actin cytoskeleton. Furthermore, we uncovered that osteogenic cells deficient in mineralization-regulating transcription factor Trps1 have severely impaired MVs biogenesis and mineralization. On the molecular level, this is accompanied by impaired cellular response to P_i , impaired activation of Rac1/cdc42 and downregulated expression of TNAP and PHOSPHO1 phosphatases. In addition, considering that P_i changes gene expression program of osteogenic cells, we have analyzed proteins of MVs released from cells cultured in standard growth medium (containing 0.8mM P_i) with MVs released from cells exposure to 5mM P_i . Mass spectrometry and protein profiling analyses revealed that P_i affects protein composition of MVs, however we did not establish a correlation between P_i -regulated gene expression and P_i -regulated composition of MVs. In summary, our studies suggest that P_i is not only a stimulator of MVs biogenesis, but also a regulator of MVs content. Furthermore, Trps1 transcription factor regulates biogenesis of MVs, at least in part, by regulating the cellular response to P_i and expression of kinases essential for MVs.

Investigation of the biophysical properties of matrix vesicles by quantitative techniques

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ABSTRACT

Matrix vesicles (MVs) are a class of extracellular vesicles that form crystalline complexes in their lumen. The ability of MVs to induce the formation of crystalline complexes resides in the presence of a nucleation core (NC) in the lumen of nascent vesicles. Direct evidence of the existence of the NC and its maturation has been provided exclusively by analyses of dried samples. In this work, we provided evidence of the presence of the NC and the changes in its physical properties during mineralization by using peak force quantitative nanomechanical atomic force microscopy (PFQNM-AFM) on hydrated MVs immersed in synthetic cartilage lymph (SCL) without and with 2mM Ca²⁺ as mineralization trigger. In particular, we found that the MVs' elastic modulus significantly increased after incubation in mineralization buffer. Dynamic light scattering showed that the hydrodynamic diameter of hydrated MVs increased significantly, whereas the vesicles' surface charge did not change after incubation with Ca²⁺. This result validates that crystalline complexes, which are strongly negative, formed within MV lumen. These data were substantiated by transmission electron microscopy energy dispersive X-ray and Fourier transform infrared spectroscopic analyses of dried MVs, which provided evidence that the NC increased in size, crystallinity, and Ca²⁺/P_i ratio within MVs during the biomineralization process.

Characteristics of matrix vesicles using X-ray microanalysis

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We used transmission electron microscopy with energy dispersive X-ray microanalysis (TEM-EDX) to compare the composition of minerals in vesicles released by two bone cell lines: hFOB 1.19 and Saos-2 and two vascular smooth muscle cell lines: MOVAS and HCASMC. These cell lines, after treatment with ascorbic acid (AA) and β -glycerophosphate (β -GP), undergo complete osteogenic transdifferentiation from proliferation to mineralization and produce matrix vesicles (MVs) that trigger apatite nucleation and their deposition in the extracellular matrix (ECM). It must be underlined that tissue-nonspecific alkaline phosphatase (TNAP) and collagen are the two proteins necessary for physiological mineralization in bones as well as for vascular calcification during atherosclerosis.

Based on Alizarin Red-S (AR-S) staining and analysis of the composition of minerals in cell lysates using ultraviolet (UV) light or in vesicles using TEM imaging followed by EDX quantitation and ion mapping, we can infer that osteosarcoma Saos-2 and osteoblastic hFOB 1.19 cells reveal distinct mineralization profiles. Saos-2 cells mineralize more efficiently than hFOB 1.19 cells and produce larger mineral deposits that are not visible under UV light. These minerals are similar to hydroxyapatite (HA), however, they have more Ca and F substitutions. We also demonstrate the presence of membrane-bound TNAP, detected by immunofluorescence, that seems to form clusters on the plasma membrane of MOVAS cultured in mineralizing conditions. We observed that TNAP activity and mineralization were increased when MOVAS and HCASMC were cultured in the presence of AA and β -GP. Increased TNAP activity was observed in whole cell lysates, total membrane fractions and, more particularly, in MVs. We have shown that TNAP-enriched MVs released from MOVAS subjected to collagenase treatment, contained more apatite-like mineral than vesicles isolated without collagenase digestion, suggesting a role for collagen in promoting calcification induced by TNAP in atherosclerotic plaques.

The results obtained using X-ray microanalysis allow us to conclude that the process of mineralization differs depending on the cell type. We propose that, at the cellular level, the origin and properties of vesicles predetermine the type of minerals formed.

Coral biomineralization and vesicles

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In tropical corals, biomineralization leads to the formation of an exoskeleton made of calcium carbonate (aragonite) and organic matrix molecules including proteins, lipids and polysaccharides. This process is under a biological control in that cells synthesize the skeletal organic matrix molecules as well as they regulate pH, calcium and dissolved inorganic carbon at the site of calcification through ion transporters and enzymes. This favourable physico-chemistry at the site of calcification allows nucleation and crystal growth in the presence of the skeletal organic matrix. Extracellular vesicles have been observed for a long time both inside and between calcifying cells, and more recently, they have been proposed to play a crucial role in coral biomineralization. However, data are in their infancy and further work is absolutely needed to better characterize these vesicles, determine their content and link the current pieces of the puzzle from the cell/vesicles to crystal formation

Proteoliposomes as a model for matrix vesicles

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During the process of endochondral bone formation, chondrocytes and osteoblasts mineralize their extracellular matrix (ECM) by promoting the synthesis of hydroxyapatite (HA) seed crystals in the sheltered interior of membrane-limited matrix vesicles (MVs). Several lipid and proteins present in the membrane of the MVs mediate the interactions of MVs with the ECM and regulate the initial mineral deposition and posterior propagation. Among the proteins of MV membranes, ion transporters control the availability of phosphate and calcium needed for initial HA deposition. Phosphatases (orphan phosphatase 1, ectonucleotide pyrophosphatase/phosphodiesterase 1 and tissue-nonspecific alkaline phosphatase) play a crucial role in controlling the inorganic pyrophosphate/inorganic phosphate ratio that allows MV-mediated initiation of mineralization. The lipidic microenvironment can help in the nucleation process of first crystals and also plays a crucial physiological role in the function of MV-associated enzymes and transporters (type III sodium-dependent phosphate transporters, annexins and Na⁺,K⁺-ATPase). The whole process is mediated and regulated by the action of several molecules and steps, which make the process complex and highly regulated. Liposomes and proteoliposomes, as models of biological membranes, facilitate the understanding of lipid-protein interactions with emphasis on the properties of physicochemical and biochemical processes. We discuss the use of proteoliposomes as multiple protein carrier systems intended to mimic the various functions of MVs during the initiation and propagation of mineral growth in the course of biomineralization. We focus on studies applying biophysical tools to characterize the biomimetic models in order to gain an understanding of the importance of lipid-protein and lipid-lipid interfaces throughout the process. (Financial Supports: FAPESP 2014/11941-3 and 2016/21236-6; CAPES 88887.320304/2019-00; CNPq 306166/2013-5 and 167497/2017-0)

Application of proteoliposomes matrix vesicle mimetics in the biomineralization and its interactions with collagen matrix.

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Proteoliposomes are useful as mimetics of mineralizing cell-derived matrix vesicles (MVs), known to be responsible for the initiation of endochondral ossification, as they successfully transport Ca^{+2} and possess the ability to hydrolyze phosphosubstrates in the lipid-water interface. During the last decade, these systems have gained prominence as nanotools for biophysical and biochemical studies on lipid-protein interactions as well as for their biotechnological applications. It has been found that TNAP-proteoliposomes have the ability to induce the *in vitro* mineralization even in the absence of mineral nucleators. Besides that, the presence of ordered domains due to the addition of Chol to DPPC or DPPC:SM-proteoliposomes harboring TNAP reduced the ability of the enzyme to induce biomineralization. Thus, the physical properties and the lateral-phase organization of lipids in proteoliposomes are relevant to regulate the apatite propagation mediated by TNAP function during mineralization. Proteoliposomes harboring AnxA5, TNAP or both proteins together could bind to collagen fibers, however AnxA5 binds with the highest affinity (~70%). TNAP-proteoliposomes do poorly bind to collagen matrix (< 20%). The best affinity is for a type II collagen matrix. Besides that, AnxA5-proteoliposome interacts considerably better with collagen matrix when AnxA5 is in the DPPC:DPPS-liposome (around 3 times more) when compared with vesicles composed by neat DPPC. The negatively charged lipid (DPPS) plays a very important role both improving the AnxA5 incorporation into liposomes and it favors the binding of proteoliposomes to the collagen matrix. These findings together highlight the current prospects of this technology for biotechnological applications, including the construction of a multiprotein nanovesicular biomimetic to study the processes of initiation and propagation of skeletal mineralization. (Financial Supports: FAPESP 2014/11941-3 and 2016/21236-6; CAPES 88887.320304/2019-00; CNPq 306166/2013-5 and 167497/2017-0).

Is alkaline phosphatase biomimetically immobilized on titanium able to propagate the biomineralization process?

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Langmuir monolayers (LM) and Langmuir-Blodgett films (LB) containing phospholipids and osteogenic proteins can serve as biomimetic models for biomineralization studies once they act as matrices for controlled precipitation of biominerals. Calcium carbonates, phosphates, and also cation-substituted apatites can be homogeneously deposited on these surfaces in a well-ordered array depending on the type of the phospholipid and the precipitation method. The biomimetic models were formed by the exposure of the LM and LB to solutions that simulate the ionic concentration and pH of the human blood-plasma. Cations (Ca^{2+} and/or Sr^{2+}) were transferred to the films binding to the phospholipids polar-heads. The induction time of precipitation is controlled by the composition of the monolayers, revealing the importance of charges and packing on the mineral formation. It was possible to keep the phosphohydrolytic activity of tissue non-specific alkaline phosphatase (ALP) after immobilization on LM and LB. ALP was able to hydrolyze organic-phosphate from ATP, inducing the formation of apatites in a biomimetic way. These set of results attest the reliability of these models for studies of biomineralization. (FAPESP 2017/08892-9)

Lipidomics on matrix vesicles

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Cells secrete in extracellular medium various types of microparticles of size ranging from 50 nm to 1000 nm, including exosomes, apoptotic bodies and vesicles. Matrix vesicles (MVs) are the particular vesicles released by hypertrophic chondrocytes and osteoblasts to promote bone mineralization. MVs initiate the formation of apatite by accumulating Ca^{2+} and phosphate. Despite a burgeoning interest in extracellular vesicles, little is known about the processes through which these extracellular organelles are generated. Three distinct types of microparticles were isolated: exosomes and vesicles; apoptotic bodies and MVs released from collagenase treatment. In contrast to other microparticles, only MVs were able to initiate mineralization and were enriched in tissue non-specific alkaline phosphatase. The phospholipid composition of the MV and microvilli-like membrane fractions was markedly different from that of the membrane chondrocytes. These MVs and microvilli produced by epiphyseal cartilage cells or by hypertrophic chondrocytes were enriched in cholesterol, phosphatidylserine, and sphingomyelin as in the case of MVs obtained from Saos-2 cell cultures. These findings suggested that MVs originated from microvilli-like membranes, a specific lipid raft domain due to high enrichment in cholesterol and TNAP and not from endoplasmic reticulum due to lack of CD9 and Alix marker. To determine the types of lipids essential for mineralization, we analyzed Fatty Acids (FAs) in MVs, microvilli and in membrane fractions of chondrocytes isolated from femurs of chicken embryos. The FA composition in the MVs was almost identical to that in microvilli, indicating that the MVs originated from microvilli. These fractions contained more monounsaturated FAs especially oleic acid than in membrane homogenates of chondrocytes. They were enriched in 5, 8, 11-eicosatrienoic acid ($20:3n-9$), in eicosadienoic acid ($20:2n-6$), in arachidonic acid ($20:4n-6$). In contrast, membrane homogenates from chondrocytes were enriched in $20:1n-9$, $18:3n-3$, $22:5n-3$ and $22:5n-6$. Due to their relatively high content in MVs and to their selective recruitment within microvilli from where MV originate, we concluded that $20:2n-6$ and $20:3n-9$ (pooled values), $18:1n-9$ and $20:4n-6$ are essential for the biogenesis of MVs and for bone mineralization.

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Mineralization-competent osteoblasts require NCX3 for Ca²⁺ entry into matrix vesicles

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Matrix vesicles (MVs) provide the initial site of mineralization and an optimum microenvironment for amorphous hydroxyapatite (HA) formation within mineralizing osteoblasts. Though Na⁺/Ca²⁺ exchanger isoform-3 (NCX3, SLC8A3) was presumed to function as major Ca²⁺ transporter for Ca²⁺ extrusion out of osteoblast into the calcifying bone matrix, its presence and functional role in MVs remains unknown. We postulated that NCX3 exploits the Na⁺ gradient generated by PiT1 (SLC20A1, Sodium-Dependent Phosphate Transporter 1) to pump Ca²⁺ into the MVs that is required for initial HA formation. Western blot analysis indicated the expression of both NCX3 and PiT1 in MVs released by mineralizing pre-osteoblastic MC3T3-E1 cells while immunogold labeling of NCX3 further validated its localization in MVs. Moreover, treatment of MC3T3-E1 cells with TNF α impaired mineralization with concomitant reduce NCX3 expression both in osteoblasts and the released MVs. Compared to control cells, CRISPR-CAS9 mediated NCX3 knockout in MC3T3-E1 (NCX3 KO) cells led to impaired mineralization, with reduced alizarin red staining and decreased Ca²⁺ deposition as determined colorimetrically. More importantly, this impaired mineralization correlated with a decreased capacity of MVs to promote extracellular HA formation, as shown in a cell-free system with MVs from NCX3 KO cells on collagen-coated coverslips. Furthermore, Energy-Dispersive X-ray Spectroscopy (EDS) analysis of MVs released by NCX3 KO cells showed reduced Ca²⁺ accumulation inside the vesicles as compared to MVs secreted by the control cells. Taken together, these results indicate that NCX3 contributes to Ca²⁺ uptake into the MVs and appear critical for osteoblast-mediated mineralization.

ATOMIC FORCE MICROSCOPY AND X-RAY PHOTOELECTRON SPECTROSCOPY TO INVESTIGATE HUMAN OSTEOARTHRITIC CARTILAGE

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Osteoarthritis (OA) is characterized by an irreversible degradation of articular cartilage and an abnormal remodeling of the subchondral bone. The reorganization of the cartilage-bone interface is decisive in the development and progression of this pathology. We hypothesize that the composition and the organization of the extracellular matrix, particularly at this interface, play a pivotal role in OA progression. In this study, we use X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) and atomic force microscopy (AFM) to probe the composition and the morphology of human OA cartilage. For this purpose, several procedures of sample preparation were evaluated, including tissue embedding (in paraffin vs OCT) and decalcification process (with vs without ultrasonic treatment). A methodology developed for bio-organic/inorganic interface and adapted for cartilage is used to extract fine chemical information from XPS data (proteins, proteoglycans, polysaccharides, ...). The organization of type II collagen fibrils and their dimensions are determined from AFM images, showing structural evolution with the disease progression. Complementary information regarding OA score is provided by histology. This approach, combining biochemical and physicochemical characterizations, provides a relevant way to probe the evolution of the cartilage/bone interface during osteoarthritis.

Biomimetic phospholipid vesicles lubricants: Synthesis and multiphysics characterizations. Application in The Joint Diseases

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Synoviocytes within the joints synthesize a crucial fluid for joints life, called the synovial fluid, possessing excellent lubricating properties. Thus, recent studies show that the synovial fluid (SF) involves microvesicles filled with a glycoprotein gel and surrounded by stacked lipid bilayers. On this point, biochemical, structural (TEM, CFM) and mechanical (Langmuir, AFM) analysis of SF lipid vesicles of dog samples (surgical waste during surgery on the cruciate ligament) were performed in order to determine their composition with the aim to produce a biomimetic structure. Biomimetic vesicles (BV) were prepared by respecting 'Gel in' SF Protocol described by Sava et al. The mechanical behaviour of biomimetic phospholipid (PL) monolayers was compared to that of DPPC ("gel" phase at 37°C) and POPC ("fluid" phase at 37°C). From lipidomic assay results, we propose a synovial fluid biomimetic composition (BC) made up of 20% SpH, 8% POPC, 8% SOPC, 16% DPPC, 16% DSPC, 16% PLPC, 16% SLPC. The Langmuir monolayers results show that this BC of PL increases vesicle rigidity comparing it to that of DPPC. Using this BC, micrometric size vesicles (1 to 10µm) with a multilamellar membrane were obtained similar to those observed directly in the collection of healthy synovial fluid and that obtained using DPPC. BV structure is significantly different from POPC that exhibit an unstable diameter with a strong propensity to aggregate. The nano-mechanical and tribological results reveal that BV structure significantly increases the vesicular stiffness and the lubricant viscosity, which may explain the biolubricant performances of these structures in vivo.

Characterization and properties of vesicles released from chondrocytes

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Chondrocytes release exosomes, vesicles, matrix vesicles (MVs) and apoptotic bodies. Their characterization and properties are the object of intense scrutiny due to their possible roles in initiating mineralization, in cell-to-cell communications. Extracellular-vesicle treatment may be amenable to multiple forms of delivery (injection, impregnated scaffolds) [1]. Among, the difficulties encountered are the purification of one class of micro particles [2]. We compared different methods to extract micro particles and analyzed their properties, using recent findings on properties of micro particles. Due to the strong affinity of MVs to collagen, collagenase treatment allowed to release a large amount of MVs with high tissue-nonspecific alkaline phosphatase (TNAP) and strong ability to initiate apatite formation. Collagenase treatment may impact the integrity of MVs [2], prompting the necessity to develop other methods to extract micro particles. Extracellular media from murine primary chondrocytes, without any treatment of collagenase were subjected to two-step-ultracentrifugation. The first step of ultracentrifugation allowed to extract the large apoptotic bodies, while the second step gave rise to exosomes and other vesicles. MVs, extracted after collagenase treatment, did not originate from endoplasmic reticulum as indicated by their lack of CD9 and Alix as probed by Western Blot. MVs had similar lipid composition as microvilli-like plasma membrane. Exosomes were evidenced by the presence of CD9 and claudin, while apoptotic bodies did not reveal any CD9 and claudin. Apoptotic bodies or exosomes extracted from chondrocytes were less efficient to mineralize than MVs. These findings confirmed that MVs are distinct from exosomes or apoptotic bodies.

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Fluorescence monitoring of Annexin VI localization in Matrix Vesicles mimetic membranes depending on pH and membrane lipid composition

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Matrix vesicles (MVs) are 100-300 diameter spherical bodies released mineral forming cells such as chondrocytes, osteoblasts and odontoblasts. MVs are often found associated with calcium phosphate mineral crystals and are thought to initiate mineralization. Compared with plasma membrane, from which they are supposed to derive, MVs are enriched in tissue non-specific alkaline phosphatase, phosphatidyl serine (PS) and annexins (Anx). AnxA6 is the largest member of the annexin family, which interacts in a Ca²⁺ dependent manner with negatively charged phospholipid of the MV membrane. It was found to be present in the MVs lumen, on the surface of the membrane internal leaflet, on the membrane external leaflet and also inserted in the bilayer membrane. AnxVI multiple roles, during MVs inducing apatite nucleation and their binding properties to phospholipids as well to collagen are not comprehensively delineated. Using membrane fluorescent probes and proteoliposomes containing either DMPC or DMPC-DPPS (9-1) to mimic external and internal MV membrane leaflet, respectively, we confirmed distinct binding behavior of AnxA6 to MV membranes depending both on the pH drop occurring during apatite formation, and charges in the phospholipid composition, differing between the outer and the inner leaflet of the membrane. These findings suggest that distinct localization of AnxA6 are related to different functions during the mineralization process.

Towards a new drug delivery strategy using membrane physicochemical properties modulations

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Lipid-based carriers such as liposomes are commonly used in drug delivery, and their specificity often relies on a ligand-receptor interaction. However, physicochemical properties of the membrane such as the order degree have never been used in drug delivery, despite reported differences between tumoral and non-tumoral cells.

Using liposomes covering a wide range of membrane fluidity, we assessed their interaction with human prostatic cells coming either from 3 metastatic tumoral cell lines or from a non-tumoral, control cell line. By modulating the liposome composition, we were able to successfully target a particular cell type. Liposomes in a fluid state target tumoral cells while liposomes in a rigid state target control cells. Furthermore, using two different fluorophores, we determined that the mechanism of this interaction is based on fusion of the liposome with the cell membranes.

Hence, using membrane fluidity modifications as a target when designing lipid drug carriers is a promising alternative to current targeting strategies based on covalent grafting.

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