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• 計畫英文名稱	The Effect of Prenatal Exposure to Morphine on the Developmental Expression of Serotonin Receptor and the Down-Stream Activation of Glycogen Synthetase Kinase (GSK)
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• 中文摘要	<p>Glycogen synthase kinase-3 beta (GSK-3beta) is a key regulator of glycogen synthase kinase activity in the liver. However, previous studies have shown that GSK-3beta activity is also important in the development and maturation of the nervous system. In the brain, GSK-3beta activity is regulated by PI3K/Akt and extracellular signal-regulated kinase (ERK). Akt is activated by phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K), while ERK is activated by mitogen-activated protein kinase kinase (MEK). Serotonin, a neurotransmitter, has been shown to regulate GSK-3beta activity in the liver. In this study, we will investigate the effect of prenatal morphine exposure on the expression of serotonin receptors and the activation of GSK-3beta in the developing mouse brain. We will use immunohistochemistry to determine the expression levels of serotonin receptors and GSK-3beta in various regions of the mouse brain at different stages of development. We will also use Western blotting to measure the phosphorylation levels of GSK-3beta and its substrates, PI3K, Akt, and ERK. This study will help us understand the mechanism by which morphine affects the development of the nervous system and provide insights into the treatment of neurological disorders.</p>

We previously have found that the naloxone-precipitated morphine withdrawal syndrome in neonatal rats, born to dams rats received daily injection of morphine since a week before mating till a week after delivery, could be attenuated by directly injection of serotonin reuptake inhibitor. This raises the possibility that prenatal exposure to morphine could alter the expression of the serotonin receptor or alter the activities of its down-stream biochemical pathways. Recent investigations have found that glycogen synthase kinase3 beta (GSK3beta) takes important role in the both neurophysiology and neuropathology, and it could be regulated by the activation of serotonin receptor. Activation of GSK3beta is dependent upon the status of phosphorylation, which is in turn regulated by the activation of PI3(phosphoinositol-3 kinase)/Akt (protein kinase B), extracellular signal-regulated protein kinase (ERK)and phosphatase1. Therefore, in this project, we will determine whether prenatal exposure to morphine could alter the ontogenic expression of serotonin receptor, namely, 5-HT1A, 5-HT1B, 5-HT2A, 5-HT2B receptor and the expression of GSK3 beta, PI3K,Akt, ERK and PP1, and their phosphorylated forms in the cortex and hippocampus of rats with age of 1, 7, 14 and 30 days. The result will bring more understanding regarding the neurotoxic effect of morphine on the developing brain in term of serotonin receptor-mediated neurotransmission.

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