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Background: Propofol is an intravenous anesthetic agent that may impair host defense system. This study was aimed to evaluate the effects of propofol on macrophage functions and its possible mechanism. Methods: Mouse macrophage-like Raw 264.7 cells were exposed to propofol, at 3, 30 (a clinically relevant concentration), and 300 .mu.M. Cell viability, lactate dehydrogenase and cell cycle were analyzed to determine the cellular toxicity of propofol to macrophages. After administration of propofol, chemotaxis, phagocytosis, oxidative ability and interferon-.gamma. mRNA production were carried out to validate the potential effects of propofol on macrophage functions. Mitochondrial membrane potential and cellular adenosine triphosphate levels were also analyzed to evaluate the role of mitochondria in propofol-induced macrophage dysfunction. Results: Exposure of macrophages to 3 and 30 .mu.M propofol did not affect cell viability. When the administered concentration reached 300 .mu.M, propofol significantly reduced macrophage functions of chemotaxis and oxidative ability in a concentration-dependent manner. However, the suppressive effects were partially or completely reversed after 6 and 24 hours. Propofol could reduce phagocytotic activities of macrophages in concentration- and time-dependent manners. Exposure of macrophages to lipopolysaccharide induced the mRNA of interferon-.gamma., but the induction was significantly blocked by propofol. Propofol concentration-dependently decreased the membrane potential of mitochondria of macrophages, but the effects were descended with time. The levels of cellular adenosine

triphosphate in macrophages were also reduced by propofol. Conclusions: A clinically relevant concentration of propofol can suppress macrophage functions through inhibiting their mitochondrial membrane potential and adenosine triphosphate synthesis instead of direct cellular toxicity.