

# **Propofol抑制酯多醣於巨噬細胞所誘發之iNOS、 CAT-2及CAT-2B的表現**

## **Propofol significantly attenuates iNOS, CAT-2, and CAT-2B transcription in lipopolysaccharide-stimulated murine macrophages**

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### **摘要**

背景：Propofol會抑制酯多醣(LPS)於巨噬細胞所誘發一氧化氮合成酶(iNOS)的表現及一氧化氮(NO)之合成。第二型正電荷胺基酸運輸酶（包括CAT-2及CAT-2B）可經由控制左旋精胺(L-arginine)之運輸來調控iNOS之活性。此研究之目的乃在於探討propofol對CAT-2及CAT-2B表現及L-arginine運輸之影響。方法：吾人採用LPS刺激老鼠巨噬細胞(RAW264.7)之模式來誘發NO之產生、L-arginine之運輸及iNOS、CAT-2與CAT-2B的表現，而propofol(25, 50, and 75  $\mu$  M)則分別於LPS刺激前四小時、LPS刺激後或LPS刺激後四小時加入細胞培養中；待與LPS反應十八小時後，吾人收集巨噬細胞並加以分析。結果：於LPS刺激前四小時加入之propofol對LPS所誘發NO之產生、L-arginine之運輸及iNOS與CAT-2的表現並無明顯作用；令人意外的是，於LPS刺激後立即加入之25  $\mu$  M propofol加強了iNOS之表現及NO之產生，而於LPS刺激後立即加入之50  $\mu$  M propofol對iNOS之表現及NO之產生並無明顯作用，於LPS刺激後立即加入之75  $\mu$  M propofol則明顯抑制iNOS之表現及NO之產生。於LPS刺激後立即加入之50及75  $\mu$  M propofol則明顯抑制CAT-2之表現及L-arginine之運輸，而25  $\mu$  M propofol則無此作用。另外，於LPS刺激後四小時加入之75  $\mu$  M propofol明顯抑制NO之產生、L-arginine之運輸及iNOS與CAT-2之表現，而25及50  $\mu$  M propofol則無此作用。CAT-2B之表現則明顯受到於LPS刺激前四小時、LPS刺激後或LPS刺激後四小時加入之propofol的抑制。結論：Propofol對LPS於巨噬細胞所誘發之NO之產生、L-arginine之運輸及iNOS、CAT-2與CAT-2B的表現具明顯的抑制作用。而propofol之劑量及施與之時間點均會影響此一作用。

## Abstract

Background: Propofol significantly inhibits inducible nitric oxide synthase (iNOS) expression and nitric oxide (NO) biosynthesis in stimulated macrophages. L-arginine transport mediated by the isozymes of type-2 cationic amino acid transporter (including CAT-2 and CAT-2B) has been reported to play a crucial role in regulating iNOS activity. We sought to evaluate the effects of propofol on L-arginine transport and transcription of CAT-2 and CAT-2B. Methods: Confluent murine macrophages (RAW264.7 cells) were stimulated with lipopolysaccharide (LPS) to induce NO production, L-arginine transport and the transcriptions of iNOS, CAT-2, and CAT-2B. Propofol (25, 50, and 75  $\mu$  M) was added to the cells 4 hours before, immediately after, or 4 hours after LPS administration. After reacting with LPS for 18 hours, cell cultures were harvested and assayed. Results: Propofol administered 4 hours before LPS had no significant effects on NO production, L-arginine transport, and the transcriptions of iNOS and CAT-2. To our surprise, NO production and iNOS transcription were significantly enhanced by 25  $\mu$  M propofol administered immediately after LPS. NO production and iNOS transcription were not affected by 50  $\mu$  M propofol but significantly inhibited by 75  $\mu$  M propofol administered immediately after LPS. CAT-2 transcription and L-arginine transport were significantly inhibited by 50 and 75  $\mu$  M but not 25  $\mu$  M propofol administered immediately after LPS. When administered 4 hours after LPS, 75 but not 25 and 50  $\mu$  M propofol significantly inhibited NO production, L-arginine transport, and the transcription of iNOS and CAT-2. In addition, CAT-2B transcription was significantly inhibited by propofol that was administered 4 hours before, immediately after, or 4 hours after LPS. Conclusions: Propofol had significantly inhibitory effects on LPS-induced NO production, L-arginine transport, and the expressions of iNOS, CAT-2 and CAT-2B in stimulated murine macrophages in a dose-dependent manner. In addition, timing of administration also affected this regulatory effect of propofol.