

Larger Scale Isolation of Intact Extracellular Vesicles via Phosphatidylserine Affinity Method

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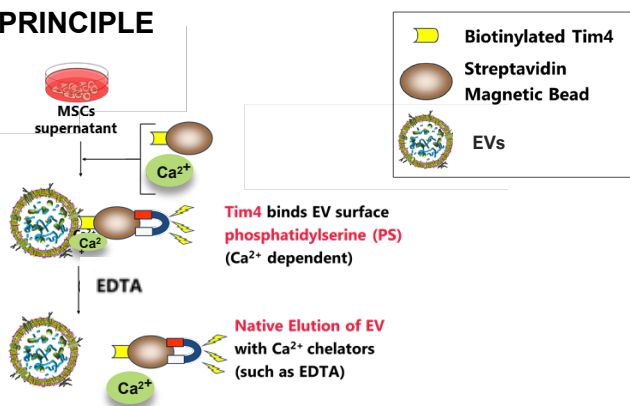
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I. INTRODUCTION

Extracellular vesicles (EVs) and microvesicles serve as messengers of the intercellular networks, allowing the exchange of cellular components between cells. EVs carry lipids, proteins, and nucleic acids derived from their producing cells, and have potential as biomarkers specific to cell types and cellular states.

Various EV isolation methods such as ultracentrifugation, density gradient centrifugation, and antibody affinity method are available. We developed the phosphatidylserine (PS) affinity method using the Tim4 protein which specifically binds to PS on the surface of EVs in a Ca²⁺-dependent manner. This EV isolation method has better recovery efficiency, purity, collection of intact vesicles, and reproducibility than conventional methods. Furthermore, the PS affinity method can be scaled-up for large amounts of EVs.

II. PRINCIPLE



Features

- ◆ Simple and easy method using **beads**
- ◆ Capable of purifying exosomes from **various samples** such as cell cultures and body fluids (plasma, serum, etc.).
- ◆ Maximize recovery of **intact exosomes** by native elution buffer

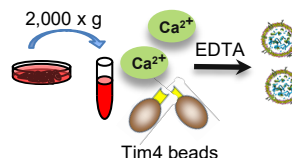
III. MATERIALS AND METHODS

① Cell culture



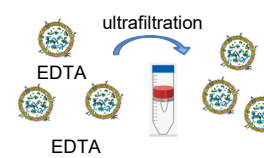
Human BM-derived MSCs are cultured to 90% confluence, replaced with DMEM/10% EV-depleted FBS, and cultured for 120 hours.

② EVs isolation



After centrifuging the cell culture supernatant at 2,000 x g, and then EVs are isolated.

③ Buffer exchange



To remove EDTA, the buffer is exchanged with D-PBS using a 100K ultrafiltration column.

④ EVs treatment and qRT-PCR

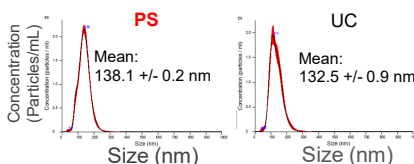


Human fetal lung diploid fibroblast cells (TIG3 cells) are treated with EVs and determined a gene expression amount using RT-PCR.

IV. RESULTS

1. Characterization of BM-MSC-derived EVs

A. NanoSight



B. Western blot

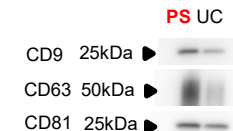
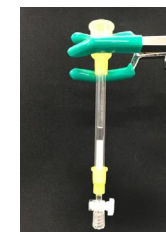


Figure 1 (A) Particle size distribution analysis using NanoSight. (B) Western blot analysis on the expression of the exosome markers CD9, CD63, and CD81. **PS**: Phosphatidylserine. **UC**: Ultracentrifugation.

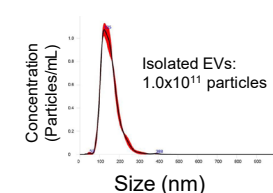
3. Larger scale EVs Isolation

A. Tim4-immobilized agarose beads (500 μl)



Sample: MSC culture sup (10 mL)

B. NanoSight



C. Recovery rate (CD63 ELISA)

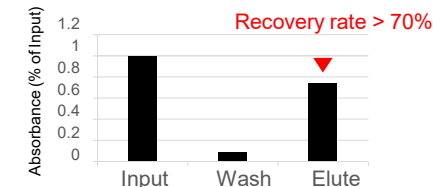


Figure 3. 1.0 x 10¹¹ particles were isolated from 10 mL of MSC culture supernatant with 500 μL of Tim4-immobilized agarose beads. Applicable for treatment in humans if scaled up about 10 times.

2. BM-MSC-derived EVs decrease the expression of fibrosis markers in TIG3 cells.

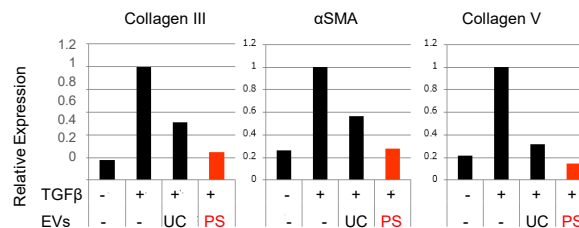


Figure 2. The relative expression levels of the fibrotic genes in TIG3 cells were evaluated by qRT-PCR after stimulation by TGFβ and MSC-EVs.

V. CONCLUSION AND DISCUSSION

- The PS affinity method can isolate intact MSC-derived EVs with high recovery efficiency while maintain the high activity of them.
- Application of Column for larger scale isolation of EVs is underway.

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