A Thumbwheel Mechanism for APOA1 Activation of LCAT Activity in HDL

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SUPPLEMENTARY METHODS

Electron Microscopy

Particles were negatively stained with 2% phosphotungstic acid at pH 5.6 and imaged with a ThermoFisher (formerly FEI) Technai T-12 electron microscope (Vanderbilt University). For quantification of particle diameters, >100 particles from 3 separate preparations of each type of particle were selected using an unbiased sampling grid.

Chemical cross-linking of rHDL

Particles generated with WT or mutant APOA1 were cross-linked with BS³-H12/D12 (Creative Molecules Inc., spacer arm length= 11.4 Å) at a cross-linker to protein ratio of 50:1 (mol/mol). The cross-linking reaction was performed at 4°C for 16 h and the reaction was quenched by addition of Tris-HCl to a final concentration of 35 mM. The particles were dialyzed 3x4L against 50 mM ammonium bicarbonate (pH 8.1), for downstream preparation for MS.

MS analysis of rHDL

Dried peptides (100 μ g) were reconstituted in 15 μ l of 0.1% formic acid in water and 5 μ l of sample was applied to an ACQUITY UPLC C18 reverse phase column (Waters) maintained at 60°C using an Infinity 1290 autosampler and HPLC (Agilent). Peptides were eluted at 0.1 ml/min using a mobile phase gradient from 95% phase A (FA/H2O 0.1/99.9, v/v) to 32% phase B (FA/ACN 0.1/99.9 v/v) for 120 min followed by 32% B to 50% B for 2 min. Column cleaning was performed by varying the mobile phase gradient to 90% B for 10 min and the column was re-equilibrated at 95% A for 10 min. Peptides were introduced to the MS using a Jet Stream source (Agilent) as previously described (1). Spectra were acquired using an iFunnel Q-TOF (Agilent) operating in positive ion mode. Precursors were limited to acquisition of ions with a charge state \geq 3+ and required a minimum of 1500 counts. Each cycle acquired the 20 most intense precursors which were fragmented with a variable collision energy (CE) dependent on the precursor mass-to-charge (m/z) ratio: $CE = k^*$ (m/z) +b, with a slope (k) of 4 and an offset (b) of -2 for 3+ ions and -4 for ions > 3+. MS/MS spectra were acquired until 45,000 total counts were collected or a maximum accumulation time of 0.33 s. Mascot generic files (MGF) were generated using MassHunter Qualitative Analysis Software (v. B.07.00, Agilent). MS/MS peaks were limited to the top 150 peaks by height and precursors were limited to a maximum assigned charge state of 6+.

Analysis of rHDL/LCAT interaction by NDGGE rHDL

rHDL and LCAT were cross-linked with Bis (sulfo-succinimidyl)suberate (BS³, Pierce, spacer arm length= 11.4 Å) at a 4:1 (mol/mol) ratio of APOA1: LCAT, and 100:1 (mol/mol) ratio of BS³: APOA1. Cross-linking was performed for 2 h at 4°C, and the reaction was quenched with 30mM Tris-HCl. NDGGE (4-15%) stained with Coomassie Blue was used to analyze rHDL/LCAT complex formation. Bands were analyzed by densitometry using ImageJ software (v. 1.47t). Bands were then excised from the gel and prepared for nanoLC-MS/MS analysis (see *MS analysis of the rHDL:LCAT complex in Methods)*. Each section was analyzed by nano LC-MS/MS and searched against all entries in the SwissProt_20161222 database via Mascot (v. 2.2.07).

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 1

Reaction velocity (nmol CE/hr) of LCAT activation by rHDL particles.

Oxidizing Conditions (S-S)

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 2

Mutations in APOA1 that decrease LCAT activation and have normal ABCA1 mediated cholesterol efflux.

SUPPLEMENTARY LEGENDS AND FIGURES

Supplementary Figure 1. WT and Cys-mutant rHDL analyzed by electron microscopy. Black bar measures 50 nm. a) WT rHDL, b) K133C rHDL, c) K206C rHDL, d) K195C rHDL.

Supplementary Figure 2. Representative total compound chromatograms and MS1 spectra of cross-links identified in rHDL particles. Total compound chromatogram (TCC, large graph) and MS1 spectra (small graph) showing the instrument counts based on elution time and mass-charge ratio, respectively, for the identification of cross-link (XL) a) K77-K195 (5/5), b) K59-K208 (5/5), c) K96-K118 (5/2), and d) K106-K118 (5/2) in WT, K133C, K206C, and K195C rHDL particles.

Supplementary Figure 3. Substrate-velocity curve of LCAT activation by WT rHDL. WT rHDL particles were generated with [³H]- free cholesterol as indicated in "Methods". WT rHDL (0-1.4 µM) was incubated with a constant concentration of LCAT (0.02 µM) for 30 min. at 37°C. Results were plotted based on cholesteryl ester generated per hour as a function of WT rHDL mass.

Supplementary Figure 4. LCAT binding WT APOA1 and Cys-mutant rHDL assessed by chemical crosslinking. A 4:1 ratio of rHDL and LCAT was incubated with BS³, a lysine-to-lysine cross-linker, at a 100:1 molar ratio of cross-linker to APOA1 for 16 h at 4°C. NDGGE stained with Coomassie blue was used to analyze cross-link formation. XL indicates samples with $(+)$ or without $(-)$ added BS³ cross-linker. As a control, WT XL + LCAT XL indicates WT rHDL cross-linked with $BS³$ before being cross-linked again to LCAT. A band identified in all crosslinked samples was excised from the gel, reduced with DTT, alkylated with iodoacetamide and digested with trypsin as indicated in Methods. Each section was analyzed by nano LC-MS/MS and searched against all entries in the SwissProt_20161222 database via Mascot (v. 2.2.07).

Supplementary Figure 5. Flow scheme of rHDL and LCAT binding analysis with SPR. a) CM5 sensorchips were used for binding analysis. A mouse anti-APOA1 monoclonal antibody (4H1, residues 2-8) was immobilized on the sensorchip. rHDL particles were coupled to 4H1 and 0.2- 55 µM LCAT was injected over rHDL. b) Flow schemes of sensorchip 1 and 2. Flow cell (FLC) 1 of both chips were used as reference surfaces by coupling a mouse antiubiquitin (anti-UB) monoclonal antibody to the surface. rHDL particles coupled to 4H1 on FLCs 2-4 of the sensorchip

1 were WT, K206C, and K195C, respectively. Sensorchip 2 was coupled with a 7.8 nm WT APOA1 particle as a negative control. FLC 3 and 4 contained K133C and WT rHDL particles respectively. WT rHDL on sensorchip 2 was coupled to a different FC than sensorchip 1 in order to account for any differences in rHDL position on FCs. Four buffer blanks were included randomly throughout LCAT injections. LCAT injections were performed in duplicate: the first from increasing to decreasing concentrations, and the second from decreasing to increasing concentrations.

Supplementary Figure 6. Localization of APOA1 point mutations that adversely affect LCAT activity

without impairing ABCA1 mediated cholesterol efflux. Depiction of two APOA1 molecules arranged in a 2D anti-parallel stacked ring (gray and white). APOA1 molecules are shown divided into 10 helices (H1-H10), with the N-terminus depicted as an octagon, and the C-terminus as a black curved line. Residue numbers (1-243) of APOA1 are shown at the cusp between helices. Natural and bioengineered mutations are indicated in line callouts and are referenced in **Supp.Table 2**. Green and blue shaded areas represent two independent locations on an HDL disc that may activate LCAT. Adapted from Sorci-Thomas et al. (2) and Zannis et al.(3).

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