Supplementary Data

Cardiac Toxicity from Ethanol Exposure in Human Induced Pluripotent Stem Cell-Derived Cardiomyocytes

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Supplementary Methods

The effect of ROS scavenger N-acetyl cysteine (NAC) on the ethanol-induced phenotype. hiPSC-CMs were dissociated using 0.25% trypsin-EDTA and plated onto Matrigel-coated 96-well culture plates at a density of 2.5x10⁴ cells/well and cultured for 2 days to allow the cells to recover spontaneous beating. The cells were pre-treated with ROS scavenger NAC (Sigma) at 2 mM for 1 h and then treated with 0 or 50 mM ethanol in the presence of 2 mM NAC for 5 days. The dose of NAC was selected based on previous studies showing that 2 mM NAC was effective in reducing ROS production in cells treated with substances that stimulate oxidative stress (Yiran *et al.*, 2013; Zhen *et al.*, 2015). hiPSC-CMs treated with 0 or 50 mM ethanol without NAC were used as controls. The cells were covered with mineral oil to prevent ethanol evaporation, and medium was changed daily. The amount of ROS produced by ethanol exposure and its effects on $Ca²⁺$ transients were evaluated at the end of the treatment.

The generation of intracellular and mitochondrial ROS was assessed using carboxy-H2DCFDA (Thermo Fisher Scientific) and MitoSOX Red (Thermo Fisher Scientific), respectively. The ethanol-containing medium and mineral oil were aspirated and cells were washed twice with warm D-PBS and incubated with both 25 μm carboxy-H2DCFDA and 5 µM MitoSOX Red working solution in warm D-PBS for 15 min at 37°C, protected from light. Cells were washed twice with warm D-PBS and counter-stained with Hoechst (Thermo Fisher Scientific) in warm buffer and imaged immediately using an ArrayScan™ XTI Live High Content Platform (Life Technologies). Images of carboxy-H2DCFDA, MitoSOX Red and Hoechst were acquired and quantitatively analyzed using ArrayScan™ XTI Live High Content Platform. Twenty fields/well were selected and 4 replicate wells per condition were imaged using a 10x objective. Acquisition software Cellomics Scan (Thermo Fisher Scientific) was used to capture images, and data analysis were performed using Cellomics View Software (Thermo Fisher Scientific). Images were analyzed with mask modifier for Hoechst restricted to the nucleus. Carboxy-H2DCFDA and MitoSOX Red were each quantified with a spot mask that extended 7 units from the nucleus. Spot threshold was set to 10 units and detection limit was set at 25 units. Mean carboxy-H2DCFDA and MitoSOX Red average fluorescence intensity of cells per well in each treatment group was used as readout.

Live cell imaging of intracellular Ca^{2+} transient was performed using Fluo-4, AM, a cell permeant-fluorescent Ca²⁺ dye (Thermo Fisher Scientific). Cells were incubated with the 10 µM Fluo-4, AM for 20 min at 37°C followed by a 20 min wash at room temperature in Tyrode's solution (148 mM NaCl, 4 mM KCl, 0.5 mM MgCl₂·6H₂O, 0.3 mM NaPH₂O₄ H₂O, 5 mM HEPES, 10 mM D-Glucose, 1.8 mM CaCl₂ H₂O, pH adjusted to 7.4 with NaOH). Fluorescence was imaged over time using an ImageXpress Micro XLS System (Molecular Devices) at 20x objective and 30 frame per second. Fluorescence was measured from the entire cell region and dye excitation at 488 nm and emission at >500 nm.

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Supplementary Table 1. Stages of alcohol intoxication

Adapted from<http://www.intox.com/t-physiology.aspx>

Note: Primers were retrieved from Jha *et al*., 2016 and <http://pga.mgh.harvard.edu/primerbank/>

Supplementary Table 4. List of top 60 genes significantly altered in hiPSC-CMs treated with 50mM ethanol compared with untreated cells

Supplementary Figure 1. Immunocytochemical analysis (ICC) of hiPSC-CMs revealing

robust expression of CM-associated markers.

Supplementary Figure 2. Representative images of hiPSC-CMs for the detection of MitoSOX by ArrayScan related to Figure 3B. hiPSC-CMs were treated with ethanol for 5 days and stained with MitoSOX and Hoechst. Images were acquired and analyzed using ArrayScan. Mask, MitoSOX Red was quantified with a spot mask (ring-shape) that extended 7 units from the nucleus. Quantitative summary of average MitoSOX intensity and percentage of MitoSOX-positive cells are presented in Figure 3B.

Ethanol concentration (mM)

Supplementary Figure 3. Ethanol exposure of hiPSC-CMs has no effect on the expression of cardiac markers. (A) Immunocytochemical analysis showing the expression of cardiac transcription factor NKX2-5 and myocyte structural protein αactinin. (B) qRT-PCR panel showing relative mRNA expression levels of cardiac markers including α -actinin, troponin I and troponin T. Data expressed as mean \pm SD (n = 3).

Supplementary Figure 4. Immunocytochemical analysis of hiPSC-CMs for the assessment of hiPSC-CM purity by ArrayScan related to Figure 4C. hiPSC-CMs were treated with ethanol for 5 days and stained with cardiac transcription factor NKX2-5 and Hoechst. Images were acquired and analyzed using ArrayScan. NKX2-5 was quantified with mask modifier within a circular area restricted to the nuclear region. (A) Representative images. (B) Quantitative summary of percentage of NKX2-5-positive cells and average NKX2-5 intensity. Data presented as average fluorescence intensity per well and percentage of NKX2-5 positive cells, shown as mean \pm SD (n = 5). NS = no significant difference compared with control (0 mM).

Regular Ca²⁺ transients \Box Spontaneous Ca²⁺ waves

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Supplementary Figure 5. ROS scavenger N-acetyl cysteine (NAC) reduces the ethanolinduced ROS production and abnormal $Ca²⁺$ transients. hiPSC-CMs were pre-treated with ROS scavenger NAC at 2 mM for 1 h followed by the treatment with 0 or 50 mM ethanol in the presence of 2 mM NAC. hiPSC-CMs treated with 0 or 50 mM ethanol without NAC were used as controls. (A) Representative images of hiPSC-CMs for the detection of ROS by ArrayScan. hiPSC-CMs were stained with DCFDA and MitoSOX Red to detect intracellular (green) and mitochondrial ROS (red), respectively. Nuclei were stained with Hoechst (blue). (B) Analysis of ROS production through ArrayScan. Data presented as average fluorescence intensity per well for both DCFDA and MitoSOX Red, shown as mean \pm SD (n = 4). *, p-value<0.05; **, p-value<0.01. (C) Representative fluorescent traces showing intercellular Ca^{2+} transients in cells. (D) Pie chart showing the percentage of cells exhibiting regular Ca^{2+} transients (blue) or Ca^{2+} transients with spontaneous Ca²⁺ waves (SCWs; orange). Sample sizes (n) are denoted in the center of the graphs for each groups.

Supplementary Figure 6. Volcano plot of hiPSC-CM transcriptome profiles. The transcriptome of ethanol-treated cells was compared with untreated cells. The x-axis specifies log2 transformed fold-changes (Log-FC) and the y-axis specifies –log10 transformed p-values (NLP) from DESeq2. Each spot represents a gene detected using RNA-seq. Black colored dots are genes below statistical significance threshold (p-value ≤ 0.05 after adjustment with Benjamini-Hochberg correction). Plum colored dots are genes with -log10(adjusted p-value) \geq 2, and red colored dots are genes with log10(adjusted p-value) \geq 5. Text labeled genes are those with -log10(adjusted p-value) > 10 or Log-FC >1.5 or < -1.5.