

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Measurement of Left Ventricular Volume and Ejection Fraction by Radionuclide

Techniques and Echocardiography

Radionuclide ventriculography was performed at baseline, 3, and 12 months. Patient blood samples were labeled with $^{99m}\text{TcO}_4$, using the Ultratag (Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals, Dublin, Ireland) labeling technique. Labeled red blood cells were re-injected during dynamic first pass image acquisition to obtain right ventricular ejection fraction. Gated tomographic single-photon emission computed tomographic (SPECT) imaging was performed (Prism 3000, Picker International, Cleveland OH or dual head Siemens E-CAM, Hoffman Estates, IL) and analyzed using a 4DMPECT angiographic analysis package (INVIA, Ann Arbor MI). When SPECT could not be performed, LVEF was determined by clinical multi-gated acquisition. As a secondary indicator of LV remodeling and for screening purposes, left ventricular internal systolic and diastolic dimensions were measured at the mitral valve leaflet tips in the parasternal short axis view using M-mode echocardiography in accordance with American Society of Echocardiography recommendations.

RNA Extraction from Endomyocardial Biopsy Material

Biopsy specimens were immediately frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -80°C . All specimens from the same patient were processed together. {Lowes 2002} RNA was extracted from 10-15 mg of tissue using a motorized homogenizer and a guanidinium thiocyanate-phenol-chloroform reagent followed by affinity column-based purification and enzyme-based genomic DNA/protein removal. RNA mass was calculated from the absorbance at 260 nm (A_{260}) using spectrophotometry,

and purity was inferred from the A260:A280 ratio. Purified RNA was aliquoted and stored at -80° C.

Reverse Transcription-Quantitative Polymerase Chain Reaction

First-strand cDNA was synthesized from 4.0 µg of total RNA using random primers (High Capacity Reverse Transcription Kit, ABI). Resultant cDNA pools were aliquoted for TaqMan fluorescent RT-qPCR and stored at -80° C. Assays for all candidate genes were run on an ABI 7300 in 96-well plates. All samples for each patient were assayed on the same plate for any individual gene, and each plate included *GAPDH* and *18s rRNA* as reference controls. Primers were designed using ABI Primer Express Software (v. 1.0 and 3.0, see Supplement) and either tested for amplification efficiency on an ABI 7300 or ordered as Pre-Designed Assays (reference control genes). Data files were analyzed using ABI 7300 Software (v. 2.0.6) to verify baseline and threshold cycle (C_t) detection.

mRNA Measurements by Microarray

cDNAs were subjected to chemical/enzymatic fragmentation (FL-Ovation® cDNA Biotin Module V2, NuGEN Technologies). Single-stranded 50-100 nucleotide fragments were labeled with a 3' biotin-labeled nucleotide, and approximately 3.75 µg of nucleotide fragments were hybridized to the Affymetrix HG-U133 Plus 2.0 Human Expression GeneChip after dilution into 200 µL of Affymetrix Hybridization Cocktail (Hybridization Buffer, DMSO and control oligonucleotides) for 16-20 hours

at 45°C. The GeneChip was washed, stained with streptavidin-phycoerythrin, and read at a resolution of 6 microns with a Hewlett-Packard Gene Array Scanner.

RT-qPCR primers for candidate (n=50) and reference (n=2) genes

Symbol	Gene Name	Forward Primer	Reverse Primer	FAM Probe
<i>ADRB1</i>	Adrenergic receptor β 1	CTTCATCATGTCCCTGGC	AACGGCACCCACAGCA	AGCGCCGACCTGGTCATGG
<i>ADRB2</i>	Adrenergic receptor β 2	AGCCCTCAAGACGTTAGG	AGGTTATCTCGGATCACATG	ATCATCATGGGCACTTTCACCCT
<i>HNRNPB</i>	Heterogeneous nuclear ribonucleoprotein D (AUF-1)	GCGAAGATTGACGCCAGTAAG	TCTTTCTTTGTAGTGTCCAGCTAAG	ACGAGGAGGATGAAGGGAAATGTTTATAGGAG
<i>ADRBK1</i>	beta adrenergic receptor kinase 1 (BARK1, GRK2)	CTTCGTGGTCTACCGGGAC	CGCACGTGGCCATGC	AAGCCAGCCAACATCCTTCTGGACG
<i>GNAS</i>	GNAS complex locus (alpha subunit Gs)	GCGATGAACGCCGCA	GCCACCACGAAGATGATGG	TGGATCCAGTGTCAACGATGTGACT
<i>GNAI2</i>	G protein, α inhibiting activity polypeptide 2 ($G_{\alpha i2}$)	CGCCGTCACCGATGTCA	AAAGTCGGCGGTGGCC	CATCAAGAACAACCTGAAGGACTGCGG
<i>ADCY5</i>	Adenylate cyclase 5	GGAGGCTGGCGCAA	GTCCCAATTCAGGTAGTTGATG	AGGACGCATCCACATCAACAGGCT
<i>ADRA1A</i>	Adrenergic receptor α 1A	GCTGGTGCCTTTTTCTTAGTC	AAAAAATGTTTTAGAGGGCTTGA	TGCCATTGGGCTTTTCTCCCTGAT
<i>GNAQ</i>	G protein, q polypeptide ($G_{\alpha q}$)	CCCCACCACAGGGATCATC	TTTGCCCCCTACATCGA	AATACCCCTTGACTACAAAGTGTCAATTTTCAGAATG
<i>PRKCB</i>	Protein kinase C, β	TCGGGAAGCAGGGATTCC	AAATTCATGGCACCCGCTTG	TGCCAAGTTTGTGCTTTGTGGTGC
<i>SLC9A1</i>	Solute carrier family 9, (sodium/hydrogen exchanger), member 1	TCCCTAGATCCAGGCTTCTC	GATTTGGTCTGAATGAGGAGGA	ACCTGGACTAGGGCTCGGAGG
<i>ACE</i>	Angiotensin I converting enzyme (peptidyl-dipeptidase A) 1	CGAGTACAACCTGGACGCCGAAAC	GGCCTGTGCCCATCC	CCGCTCGCTCAGAAGGGC
<i>AGT</i>	Angiotensinogen	CTCAACTGGATGAAGAACTGTCT	CATAAGATCCTTGCAGCACC	CCGGACCATCCACTGACCATG
<i>AGTR1</i>	Angiotensin II receptor, type 1	AAATGGCTGGTTTTTATCTGAATA	TTTTGATCACCTGGTTCGAATT	ATGCCATCCAGAAAGTCGGCACC
<i>EDN1</i>	Endothelin 1	ACCTGGACATCATTGGGTCA	TGGACCTAGGGCTTCCAAGTC	CACTCCGAGCAGTGTGTTCCGCT
<i>HK2</i>	Hexokinase 2	GGCTCAAGACAAGGGGCA	GATGGCTCGGACTTGCAG	AAGTTCTTGTCTCAGATTGAGAGTGACTGCSTG
<i>PFKM</i>	Phosphofructokinase, muscle	GAGGGCTCTGGTCTTCCAAC	TGTTCTTGGGGATTTCGATG	CTGAGCTGAAGGACAGACAGATTTTGA
<i>PDK4</i>	Pyruvate dehydrogenase kinase, isozyme 4	TCCACTGCACCAACGCTT	GCAAGCCGTAACCAAAACCA	ATGGATAATTCGCGAATGCTCCTTTGG
<i>PDHX</i>	Pyruvate dehydrogenase complex, component X	AGTTAGGCAAGATCTGGTCAAAG	CCTCTCCATCCCAGCTTACA	CAGCTGTATCCCTAAACAAATGCCAGATG
<i>CPT1B</i>	Carnitine palmitoyltransferase 1B	CATTGCTGATCTTTTCCAAG	GGGCAGCTGGCATT	CCCAAGGCCTACAGTGAAGGTTG
<i>ATP2A2</i>	ATPase, Ca^{++} transporting, cardiac muscle, slow twitch 2 (Serca 2a)	CCAGTGGCTGATGGTGTCT	ACTTGAAGGCTCTATCCATG	AAAATCTCTTGGCCGTGATTC
<i>PLN</i>	Phospholamban	CACAATACTCTACTGTGATGATCACAG	AAAGCTGGCAGCCAAATATG	TGCCAAGGCTACCTAAAAGAGACAGT
<i>RYR2</i>	Ryanodine receptor 2 (cardiac)	TTCTTCTGCATCATTGGATACTACT	TTCCGTGCCACTTCCCTT	TTGAAAGTCCCATTTGGTTATTTTTAAGCGA
<i>CASQ2</i>	Calsequestrin 2 (cardiac muscle)	*Life Technologies (Carlsbad, CA) TaqMan Gene Expression Assay : Hs00904422_m1		
<i>SLC8A1</i>	Solute carrier family 8 (sodium/calcium exchanger), member 1	GCTGCACCATTTGGCCCTGA	CTGCCACTTTGTGGCAAA	ACTGCAGTCGTGTTCTGTCGCACTTG
<i>CANX</i>	Calnexin	*Life Technologies (Carlsbad, CA) TaqMan Gene Expression Assay : Hs00233492_m1		
<i>MYH6</i>	Myosin, heavy chain 6, cardiac muscle, alpha	TCGCTGAGTCCCAGGTCA	TCCTCATCGTGCATTTTTTG	CCAAGAGCCGTGACATTGGTGCCA
<i>MYH7</i>	Myosin, heavy chain 7, cardiac muscle, beta	TGACATTTGGCAGGAAGG	AGCTGTACACAGGCTCCAG	CCTGGAGGTGCCAGCAAAGC
<i>ACTA1</i>	actin, α 1, skeletal muscle	GGCACCCAGCACCATGA	CCACACCGAGTATTTGCGCT	ATCAAGATCATCGCCCCCGCCG
<i>ACTC1</i>	Actin, α 1, cardiac muscle	CATCCAGGCAGTGTCTATCCC	ACCATCCCCAGAGTCCAGAAAC	TATGCTTCTGGCCGTACCCAGGCA
<i>MYL2</i>	Myosin, light chain 2 (ventricular regulatory light chain 2)	CGGGAGGCAGTGTGG	GCCCCGGCTCTCTTCT	TCCTTTCCACCATGGCACCTAAGAAAGC
<i>MYL3</i>	Myosin, light chain 3 (ventricular essential light chain 1)	TGTCATGGGTGCTGAGCTTC	CCACTTCGTCTTCTGTGACGC	CACGTGCTGGCCACGCTGG
<i>MYL4</i>	Myosin, light chain 4 (atrial essential light chain 1)	ACATGGGTGCTGAGCTTCG	GCTCCACTTCAGCCTCAGTCA	ACGTCTTGGCCACCTGGGAGAG
<i>MYL7</i>	Myosin, light chain 7, regulatory (MYLC2a, regulatory atrial light chain 2)	TCTTCTCACGCTCTTTGGG	GGAAGGCACTCAGGATGGC	AAGCTCAATGGGACAGACCCCGAGG
<i>TNNT2</i>	Troponin T type 2 (cardiac)	TCTCCGAAACAGGATCAACGA	GCCCCGTGACTTTAGCCTTC	AACCAGAAAGTCTCAAAGACCCCGC
<i>TNNI3</i>	Troponin I type 3 (cardiac)	CCAACTACCGCGCTTATGC	GCAATTTCTCGAGGCGGA	ACGGAGCCGACGCCAAGA
<i>TNNC1</i>	Troponin C type 1 (slow)	GCTGCAGGAGATGATCGA	CATCAAAGTCCACCGTGC	AGGTGGACGAGGACGGCAGC
<i>DMD</i>	Dystrophin	GGACACAAGCACAGGGTTAGA	GGCTTCCAGGGGTATTTCTT	AGGTGATGGAGCAACTCAACAACCTCT
<i>NPPA</i>	Natriuretic peptide A	AATCCCATGTACAATGCCGTG	TCTTCCAAATGGTCCAGCAAA	CCAACGACACCTGATGGATTTCAAGA
<i>NPPB</i>	Natriuretic peptide B	ATGGTGCAAGGGTCTGGT	CTTAAATGCCGCTCAGCA	CTTTGGGAGGAAGATGGACCCGGATCA
<i>TR-a1</i>	Thyroid hormone receptor, α , splice variant 1	CAGGCTGTGCTGCTAATGTCAA	TTTCAATGGGAGAAAGCGCT	ACTGACCTCCGCTATGAT
<i>TR-a2</i>	Thyroid hormone receptor, α , splice variant 2	CCCAAGCTGCTGATGAAG	CGCTGCCCTTGTGA	AAGGAGAGAGAAGTGCAGAGTTCGATTCT
<i>ERF</i>	Ets2 repressor factor	TCTCTACAAGTGCTGCTATCCCTC	TGGGGATGAAGGGGTTGGA	CCACTCCCCACCCAGCACCCG
<i>CSRP3</i>	cysteine and glycine-rich protein 3 (cardiac LIM protein)	GAGAAGGTTATGGGAGGTGGCAA	GTTCCCACTTTTGTTCAGTGACA	ACAAGACCTGTTCCGCTGTGCCATC
<i>TNF</i>	Tumor necrosis factor	ATCGGCCGACTATCTCGA	TCCTCACAGGGCAATGATCC	TTTGCCGAGTCTGGGAGGTCTACTTT
<i>IL1B</i>	Interleukin 1, β	AATCTGTACCTGTCTGCGTG	TGGGTAATTTTTGGGATCTACT	TGAAAGATGATAAGCCCACTCTACAGCTGG
<i>CTF1</i>	Cardiotrophin 1	CACCAAATACGCTGAGCAG	CAGCCCCAAGGGGTC	TGCTCCAGGAATATGTGCAGCTCC
<i>IL6</i>	IL6 interleukin 6 (interferon, beta 2)	GCTGTGCAGATGAGTACAAAA	TTATTGCATCTAGATTCTTTGC	TCCTGATCCAGTCTCGAGAA
<i>IL6ST</i>	Interleukin 6 signal transducer (gp130)	GCCCTGAATCCATAAAGGCA	CCCTACTTTTTTGTCCGAACAGT	CCTTAAACAAGCTCCACCTTCAAAGGACC
<i>NOS2</i>	Nitric oxide synthase 2, inducible	CCTTTACTTGACCTCCTAACAAGTAGC	AGGGAGGCCCAAGTTTGA	CCCTGGATTGATCGGAGCTCCTC
<i>GAPDH</i>	Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase	*Life Technologies (Carlsbad, CA) TaqMan Gene Expression Assay : Hs99999905_m1		
<i>RN18S1</i>	RNA, 18S ribosomal 1	*Life Technologies (Carlsbad, CA) TaqMan Gene Expression Assay : Hs99999901_s1		