Supporting Information

Mitochondrial DNA in Extracellular Vesicles Declines with Age

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Supporting Information Table S1. Primer Sequences for qPCR

Gene Name	Sequence	Reference	Size (bp)
MT-RNR2/MT-TL1 Mito_3164 Forwar	5'CCTTCCCCCGTAAATGATATCA3'	unpublished	76
MT-RNR2/MT-TL1 Mito_3164 Revers	5'GCCATCTTAACAAACCCTGTTCTT3'	unpublished	
MT-RNR2/MT-TL1 Mito_3164 Probe	5'FAM-AACTTAGTATTATACCCACACCC-MGB3'	unpublished	
MT-ND2 Mito_4625 Forwar	5'CACAGAAGCTGCCATCAAGTA3'	Pinti et al., Eur. J. Immunol. 2014	89
MT-ND2 Mito_4625 Revers	e 5'CCGGAGAGTATATTGTTGAAGAG3'	Pinti et al., Eur. J. Immunol. 2014	
MT-ND2 Mito_4625 Probe	5'FAM-CCTCACGCAAGCAACCGCATCC-BLACK HOLE-3'	Pinti et al., Eur. J. Immunol. 2014	
MT-COX2 Mito_7878 Forwar	5'AATCAATTGGCGACCAATGG3'	Shao et al., World Journal Gastroenterology, 2004	100
MT-COX2 Mito_7878 Revers	5′CGCCTGGTTCTAGGAATAATGG3′	Shao et al., World Journal Gastroenterology, 2004	
MT-COX2 Mito_7878 Probe	5'FAM-ACTGAACCTACGAGTACAC-MGB-3'	Shao et al., World Journal Gastroenterology, 2004	
MT-ATP8 Mito_8446 Forwar	5'AATATTAAACACAAACTACCACCTACCT3'	Walker et al., Journal Analytical Biochemistry 2005	70
MT-ATP8 Mito_8446 Revers	e 5'TGGTTCTCAGGGTTTGTTATAA3'	Walker et al., Journal Analytical Biochemistry 2005	79
MT-ATP8 Mito_8446 Probe	5'-FAM-CCTCACCAAAGCCCATA-MGB-3'	Walker et al., Journal Analytical Biochemistry 2005	

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Supporting Information Figure S1. mtDNA qPCR analysis. a) EVs were isolated from pooled plasma and then DNA was isolated from either the plasma EVs or from HeLa cells as a positive control. mtDNA levels were measured using mtDNA specific primers from four different regions of the mitochondrial genome using qPCR. qPCR amplification plots are shown in (a). The qPCR products from these reactions were visualized by electrophoresis on SYBR-safe (Invitrogen) stained gels. DNA gels were used to visualize that a single amplification product was observed in the reactions. (c) Expected size of the amplicon for each qPCR product for each primer set is listed.



Supporting Information Figure S2. mtDNA primers positively correlate with each other but not with EV concentration. a) EVs were isolated from plasma from 67 individuals across different age groups at visit 2. DNA was isolated and circulating cell-free mtDNA levels were measured using mtDNA specific primers from four different regions of the mitochondrial genome via qPCR. Correlations between primers and between primer and EV concentration were assessed by Pearson correlation coefficients (r) with degrees of freedom accounting for the matching by race and sex. r values and P values are indicated. Similar results were obtained for visit 1 (Figure 3). b) EV concentration was obtained using Nanoparticle Tracking Analysis and the relationship between EV concentration and EV mtDNA levels were analyzed using linear mixed model regression. r values and P values are indicated. Similar results were obtained for visit 1 (Figure 3).

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Supporting Information Figure S3. Plasma EV dose affects mitochondrial

function. HeLa cells were treated with EVs pooled from 4 individuals or PBS as a control for 16 hrs. a) Oxygen consumption rate (OCR) measured with the Seahorse XFE96 Analyzer. At the indicated times, oligomycin, FCCP, and Rot/AA were injected, and OCR values were calculated from the Agilent Mito Stress Test kit assay. b) Basal respiration values were calculated from the Agilent Mito Stress Test kit assay. c) Maximal respiration values were calculated from the Agilent Mito Stress Test kit assay, *P < 0.05, **P < 0.01, ***P < 0.001. Data shown represents the mean (n=10) + SEM.