

Table 6. Animal experiments used for the study of L-PGDS

| Animals | Phenotypes | Ref |
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| 1) Central nervous system | | |
| 1-i) Pain response | | |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | Lack of PGE ₂ or bicuculline-induced allodynia (touch-evoked pain) | Eguchi et al., 1999 |
| Rats with lumbar disc herniation (LDH) | Overexpression and knockdown of L-PGDS, respectively, attenuates and worsens the herniation-triggered thermomechanical allodynia and degradation of DRG. | Xu et al., 2021 |
| 1-ii) Sleep regulation | | |
| Human L-PGDS-overexpressing TG mice | Sleep attack after tail cutting. | Pinzar et al., 2000 |
| L-PGDS or DP KO mice | Lack of non-rapid eye movement sleep rebound after sleep deprivation | Hayaishi et al., 2004 |
| L-PGDS, H-PGDS, L/H-PGDS double, DP or CRTH2 KO mice | Lack of SeCl ₄ -induced insomnia. | Qu et al., 2006 |
| | L-PGDS, L/H-PGDS double or DP KO mice do not induce postictal sleep after seizure induced by pentylentetrazole. | Kaushik et al., 2014 |
| Leptomeninges-, oligo-dendrocytes-, or choroid plexus-specific L-PGDS KO mice | SeCl ₄ -induced insomnia is lacked in leptomeninges-specific L-PGDS KO mice but found in oligodendrocytes- or choroid plexus-specific KO mice. | Cherasse et al., 2018 |
| Estradiol-administered mice | L-PGDS expression is increased in the arcuate and ventromedial nucleus of the medial basal hypothalamus, a center of neuroendocrine secretions, and reduced in the ventrolateral preoptic area, a sleep center. | Mong et al., 2003 |
| Ovariectomized female mice | Estrogen reduces L-PGDS expression in a region-dependent manner in the preoptic area, a sleep center. Estradiol benzoate induces high motor activity and reduces LPGDS mRNA in sleep-active areas. | Ribeiro et al., 2009 |
| 1-iii) Neuronal and glial protection | | |
| L-PGDS and galactosylceramidase (GALC) double KO mice | L-PGDS is progressively upregulated in oligodendrocytes of GALC-deficient twitcher mice. In L-PGDS and GALC double KO mice, many neurons and oligodendrocytes show apoptosis. | Taniike et al., 2002 |
| Lysosomal storage disorders mouse models | L-PGDS mRNA and immunoreactivity are upregulated in oligodendrocytes in these lysosomal storage disorders mouse models of Tay–Sachs disease, Sandhoff disease, GM1gangliosidosis and Niemann–Pick type C1 disease. | Mohri et al., 2006a |
| Neonatal mice | L-PGDS acts as an early stress protein to protect against neuronal death in the hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy. | Taniguchi et al., 2007 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice exhibit greater infarct volume and brain edema after cerebral ischemia than wild type mice. | Saleem et al., 2009 |
| 10-day -old rats | Intracerebroventricular (icv) administration of dexamethasone upregulates L-PGDS expression in the brain and protects neonatal hypoxic-ischemic brain injury. | Gonzalez-Rodriguez et al., 2014 |
| Adult male Wistar rats | Chronic intermittent hypoxia (12h/day for 6 weeks) increases PGD ₂ content and L-PGDS protein and mRNA from the 2nd week. | Shan et al., 2017 |
| COX-2 and APP/PS1 crossed mice | L-PGDS expression is more enhanced in COX-2-overexpressing APP/PS1 mice than APP/PS-1 mice. | Guan et al., 2019 |
| 1-iv) Amyloid β (Aβ) fibril prevention | | |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice increase deposition of Aβ(1-42) in the brain. | Kanekiyo et al., 2007 |
| Human L-PGDS-overexpressing TG mice | L-PGDS TG mice decrease deposition of Aβ(1-42) in the brain. | |
| 1-v) Depression-related behavior | | |

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| CRTH2-KO mice | CRTH2 KO or CRTH2 antagonist ramatoroban rescues the depression behavior induced by chronic treatment of corticosterone, lipopolysaccharide and tumor. | Onaka et al., 2015 |
| 1-vi) Circadian rhythm of behavior | | |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice and CRTH2 antagonist impair light-induced phase advance. | Kawaguchi et al., 2020 |
| 1-vii) Food intake | | |
| Male ddY mice | L-PGDS is upregulated in hypothalamus after fasting. I.c.v. administration of PGD2 or DP agonist stimulates food intake. The orexigenic effect is blocked by DP and neuropeptide Y receptor antagonist. | Ohinata et al., 2008 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice, DP KO mice, L-PGDS ^{fllox} /Nes-Cre mice | Orally administered rubiscolin-6, a δ opioid peptide, stimulates food intake in L-PGDS ^{fllox} /Nes-Cre mice. | Kaneko et al., 2012 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | Activation of central δ -opioid receptor stimulates normal diet intake mediated by L-PGDS but suppresses high-fat diet intake in an L-PGDS-independent manner. | Kaneko et al., 2014 |
| 2) Myelination of peripheral nervous system | | |
| L-PGDS KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice have hypomyelinated peripheral nervous system. | Trimarco et al., 2014 |
| L-PGDS KO mice | In injured peripheral nerves, L-PGDS controls macrophages accumulation in injured nerves, allowing myelin debris clearance and favoring axonal regeneration and remyelination. | Forese et al., 2020 |
| 3) Lung inflammation | | |
| Human L-PGDS-overexpressing TG mice | L-PGDS TG mice show pronounced eosinophilic lung inflammation and Th2 cytokine release in ovalbumin-induced asthma model. | Fujitani et al., 2002 |
| Human L-PGDS-overexpressing TG mice | L-PGDS TG mice show improved clearance of Pseudomonas from the lung. | Joo et al., 2007 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice show impaired clearance of Pseudomonas from the lung. | |
| H-PGDS KO mice | L-PGDS inhibitor AT56 suppresses accumulation of eosinophils and monocytes in the broncho-alveolar lavage fluid of antigen-induced inflammation. | Irikura et al., 2009 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | Lung edema is enhanced in L-PGDS KO mice in a HCl-induced acute lung injury model by a decrease in DP-mediated barrier function of endothelial cells. | Horikami et al., 2019 |
| 4) Cardiovascular function | | |
| Estrogen-administered mice | L-PGDS is an estrogen receptor beta-regulated gene in the heart. | Otsuki et al., 2003 |
| Heme oxygenase (HO) 2 KO mice | L-PGDS is induced in the heart by hypoxemia in wild-type mice and more significantly in HO-2 KO mice. | Han et al., 2009 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice exhibit reduction of dexamethasone-induced cardioprotection effects against ischemia/reperfusion injury. | Tokudome et al., 2009 |
| FP KO mice, erythroid-derived 2-like 2 (Nrf2) KO mice | L-PGDS-mediated, dexamethasone-induced cardioprotection effects are not found in Nrf2-KO or FP KO mice. | Katsumata et al., 2014 |
| Isolated perfused hypotoxic beating rat atria | Hypoxia increases hypoxia-induced factor 1 α (HIF-1 α), stimulates ANP secretion and upregulates L-PGDS. HIF-1 α antagonist attenuates hypoxia-induced ANP secretion and down regulates L-PGDS level. L-PGDS inhibitor AT-56 attenuated hypoxia-induced ANP secretion. | Li et al., 2018 |
| | Acute hypoxia increases expression of L-PGDS and Cox-2 through endothelin (ET)-1 secretion and activation of ET _A and ET _B receptors. | Li et al., 2019 |
| 5) Obesity and adipocyte differentiation | | |

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| L-PGDS-KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice exhibit glucose-in-tolerant and insulin-resistant at an accelerated rate, and larger adipocytes than wild-type mice. L-PGDS KO mice develop nephropathy and an aortic thickening reminiscent to the early stage of atherosclerosis when fed a diabetogenic high fat diet. | Ragolia et al., 2005 |
| | L-PGDS KO mice exhibit reduced sensitivity to insulin-stimulated glucose transport. | Ragolia et al., 2008 |
| | L-PGDS KO mice exhibit more severe atherosclerotic plaque in the aorta, macrophage cellularity and expression of pro-inflammatory responses than wild-type mice. | Tanaka et al., 2009 |
| | L-PGDS KO mice show early elevations in hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal activity, plasma corticosterone and ACTH concentrations. | Evans et al., 2013 |
| L-PGDS KO mice, L-PGDS knock-in (KI) mice | L-PGDS KO mice decrease beneficial metabolic effects after vertical sleeve gastrectomy. | Kumar et al., 2016 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice, H-PGDS KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice show hypertension and acceleration of thrombogenesis. | Song et al., 2018 |
| L-PGDS ^{fllox} -fatty acid binding protein 4 (aP2)-Cre mice; /L-PGD ^{fllox} adiponectin (AdipoQ)-Cre mice | High fat diet-induced body weight gain is reduced only in aP2-Cre/L-PGDS ^{fllox} mice with the premature adipocyte-selective deletion but unchanged in AdipoQ-Cre/L-PGDS ^{fllox} mice with the mature adipocyte-selective deletion. | Fujimori et al., 2019 |
| PPAR γ -KO mice, PPAR γ -LPGDS double KO mice | LPGDS is upregulated in brown and white adipose tissues of PPAR γ -KO mice. PPAR γ -LPGDS double KO mice reduce the expression of thermogenic genes. LPGDS and PPAR γ coordinate to regulate carbohydrate and lipid metabolism. | Virtue et al., 2012b |
| LPGDS KO mice under cold acclimated conditions | LPGDS expression in brown adipose tissue (BAT) is correlated with the BAT activity of thermogenesis. Under cold-acclimated conditions, LPGDS KO mice elevate reliance on carbohydrates. | Virtue et al., 2012a |
| Wild-type C57BL/6 and ob/ob mice | LPGDS is down regulated in white adipose tissue of ob/ob mice, whereas HPGDS is upregulated in WAT of ob/pb mice. | Virtue et al., 2015 |
| 6) Bone and cartilage metabolism | | |
| DBA/1J mice | L-PGDS H-PGDS, DP, CRTH2 are upregulated in articular tissues during the arthritic process. The injection of PGD ₂ or DP agonist into paw attenuates the incidence of collagen-induced arthritis, the inflammatory response and joint damage. | Maicas et al., 2012 |
| Hartley guinea pig, dog | L-PGDS increases over the course of osteoarthritis. L-PGDS levels correlated positively with the histological score of osteoarthritis. | Nebbaki et al., 2013 |
| L-PGDS KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice exacerbate experimental osteoarthritis. | Najar et al., 2020 |
| | L-PGDS KO mice exhibit promoted cartilage degradation, enhanced subchondral bone changes without effect on its angiogenesis, increased mechanical sensitivity and reduced spontaneous locomotor activity during aging. | Ouhaddi et al., 2020 |
| 7) Keratinocytes and hair follicle neogenesis | | |
| C57Bl/6J, FVB/N and Mixed (C57Bl/6J \times FVB/N \times SJL) mice, CRTH2-KO mice | L-PGDS and PGD ₂ levels of the skin among these strains of mice are negatively correlated with wound-induced hair follicle neogenesis. CRTH2-KO mice, but not DP KO mice, increase the hair follicle regeneration. L-PGDS is expressed in keratinocytes in the skin. | Nelson et al., 2013 |
| 8) Fibroblastic L-PGDS for mast cell maturation and anaphylaxis | | |
| L-PGDS KO mice, DP KO mice, phospholipase A2 group 3 (PLA2G3) KO mice, mast cell-deficient mice | PLA2G3 secreted from mast cells is coupled with fibroblastic L-PGDS to provide PGD ₂ , which facilitates mast cell maturation via DP. | Taketomi et al., 2013 |
| 9) Colon | | |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | L-PGDS KO mice improve dextran sodium sulfate-induced colitis. | Hokari et al., 2011 |

| 10) Adenoma growth in intestine and colon | | |
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| Apc ^{Min/+} mice mated with human H- or L-PGDS-TG and H-PGDS, L-PGDS or DP KO-mice | Overexpression of H-PGDS or L-PGDS in Apc ^(Min/+) mice have fewer adenoma and HPGDS or DP KO in APC ^(Min/+) mice, more adenoma. | Tippin et al., 2014 |
| 11) Melanoma growth | | |
| L-PGDS-KO mice, endothelial cells (EC)-specific L-PGDS KO mice | Melanoma growth is accelerated in L-PGDS KO mice and EC-selective L-PGDS KO mice. | Omori et al., 2018 |
| 12) Renal function | | |
| Adriamycin-induced nephropathy of mice | Urinary L-PGDS excretion increases before albuminuria. | Tsuchida et al., 2004 |
| Otsuka Long-Evans Tokushima Fatty (OLETF) rats | Urinary secretion of L-PGDS is higher in OLETF rats than non-diabetic Long-Evans Tokushima Otsuka (LETO) rats, in an age-dependent manner. | Ogawa et al., 2006 |
| Monkey | L-PGDS is produced de novo in the cells of Henle's loop and the glomeruli of the kidney and N-terminal truncated in the lysosomes of tubular cells. | Nagata et al., 2009 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice, CRTH2-KO mice, IL4 KO mice, IL13 KO mice | Unilateral ureteral obstruction induces renal fibrosis, which is exacerbated by the LPGDS/CRTH2/Th 2 cytokines pathway. | Ito et al., 2012 |
| 13) Preterm birth | | |
| L-PGDS-KO mice, Human L-PGDS overexpressing TG mice | Incidence of preterm birth by LPS administration is decreased in KO mice and increased in TG mice. DP and CRTH2 antagonists increase the number of viable pups. | Kumar et al., 2015 |
| 14) Adenomyosis | | |
| L/H-PGDS double KO mice | L/H-PGDS double KO mice develop adenomyotic lesions at 6-month-old and the disease severity increases with age. | Philibert et al., 2021 |
| 15) Testis and epididymis | | |
| Bull | L-PGDS is expressed in testis, epididymis and ejaculated sperm. | Gerena et al., 2000 |
| Rats | L-PGDS expression is decreased after castration or ethylene dimethane sulfonate treatment and recovered by testosterone. | Zhu et al., 2004 |
| L-PGDS-KO mice | Heterozygous and homozygous L-PGDS KO mice present unilateral cryptorchidism affecting the second phase of testicular descent in 16% and 24% of case, respectively. | Philibert et al., 2013 |
| 16) Prostate gland | | |
| Male SD rats, bisphenol A-induced prostatic hyperplasia | Low dose bisphenol A upregulates L-PGDS expression in ventral prostate. | Wu et al., 2020 |
| 17) Male germ cell differentiation in the foetal testis | | |
| MF1 mice | L-PGDS is identified as the male-enriched transcript in mouse embryonic gonads. | Adams and McLaren, 2002 |
| Swiss mice | PGD ₂ induces nuclear import of the sex-determining factor Sox9 via its cAMP-PKA phosphorylation mediated by DP receptors. | Malki et al., 2005 |
| Swiss Quackenbush outbred mice | SOX9 binds to and activates the L-PGDS promoter during testis development. | Wilhelm et al., 2007 |
| L-PGDS KO mice, Sox9 KO mice, Fgf KO mice | L-PGDS expression is down-regulated in Sox9 KO gonads, but unchanged by Fgf KO gonads. Both Fgf9 and PGD ₂ signaling cooperate to upregulate Sox9 in Sertoli cells. | Moniot et al., 2009 |
| L-PGDS KO mice, H-PGDS KO mice | An initial H-PGDS-mediated PGD ₂ signal participates in the Sox9 nuclear translocation necessary for the process of Sertoli cell differentiation. | Moniot et al., 2011 |

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| L-PGDS, H-PGDS, L/H-PGDS double KO mice, DP, CRTH2 KO mice | The double KO mice and CRTH2 KO mice exhibit increased proliferation rates of germ cells without being mitotically arrested at the late phase of embryonic stages. Both somatic- and germ cell-produced PGD ₂ , acting in both a paracrine and an autocrine manner, plays a role in the regulation of male foetal germ cell differentiation through CRTH2 receptors. | Moniot et al., 2014 |
| 18) Pharmacokinetics of L-PGDS | | |
| Dogs | After an i.v. bolus injection, the serum concentration L-PGDS decreases with t _{1/2} of 0.77 h, which is shorter than that of other protein with the same Mr. About 10% of LPGDS is secreted to the urine. After the intrathecal injection, about one third of the injected L-PGDS is excreted to the blood. | Li et al., 2008 |
| 19) Functionalization of nanoparticles by L-PGDS | | |
| C57/BL mice | L-PGDS-conjugated nanoparticles are taken up by neurons and glial cells mediated by an LDLR-mediated mechanism after the administration from tail vein. | Portioli et al., 2017 |
| 20) Nonmammalian ortholog of L-PGDS in birds | | |
| Chicken, Dorsal root ganglion | L-PGDS-immunoreactivity is localized in DRG neurons and H-PGDS, in DRG glia. | Vesin et al., 1995 |
| Chicken, Brain, heart, gene | Chicken L-PGDS is associated with the enzyme activity and the binding activity of thyroxine and all-trans retinoic acid. | Fujimori et al., 2006 |
| Chicken, Testis | L-PGDS is expressed in a male specific expression mechanism related with SOX9 | Moniot et al., 2008 |
| 21) Nonmammalian ortholog of L-PGDS in amphibian | | |
| Xenopus, Cane toad, Japanese tree frog, genes | Identification of toad L-PGDS with the enzyme activity and the binding activity of thyroid hormones and all-trans retinoic acid. | Irikura et al., 2007 |
| Xenopus, Placode progenitor formation | Xenopus L-PGDS participate in the establishment of the pre-placodal region. | Jaurena et al., 2015 |
| 22) Nonmammalian ortholog of L-PGDS in fish | | |
| Zebrafish, Gene | Identification of Zebrafish L-PGDS without the enzyme activity yet with the binding activity of thyroxine and all-trans retinoic acid | Fujimori et al., 2006 |
| Catfish, Seminal vesicle, testis | L-PGDS expression in seminal vesicle is decreased by L-thyroxin overdose and increased by depletion of thyroid hormone. Treatment of catfish with human chorionic gonadotropin and estradiol reduces the L-PGDS expression | Sreenivasulu et al., 2013 |