



Direct Cell-Cell Communication Controls the Division of the PC-3 Human Prostate Cancer Cell Line's Stem Cells

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I. INTRODUCTION

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1.1. Materials and Methods

We seeded cells onto a 24-well plate at 104 cells per well. After 24 hours, we added 4% fetal bovine serum (FBS) to the medium. PBS (43 mM Na₂HPO₄, 15 mM KH₂PO₄, 137 mM NaCl, pH 7.4), 15% FBS, 1% BSA, and 1% penicillin-streptomycin (P/S). Cells were harvested with trypsin (0.25%) and replated onto a 100-mm dish. Cells were then treated with 10 μg/ml of PE-Cy5 (TOMBO Biocolor, Otsuka, Japan) for 1 hour. Urea was added to the culture media (100 mg/ml, KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), followed by 100 μM eZB-Z700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), and 100 μM eZB-X700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan). Cells were then fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA) for 1 hour. After fixation, cells were washed with PBS [8].

2. Cell Lines

We used a Male C57BL/6 mouse (Abcam, Cambridge, UK). Cells were cultured in a 100-mm dish at 37°C, 5% CO₂. Cells were harvested with trypsin (0.25%) and replated onto a 100-mm dish. Cells were then treated with 10 μg/ml of PE-Cy5 (TOMBO Biocolor, Otsuka, Japan) for 1 hour. Urea was added to the culture media (100 mg/ml, KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), followed by 100 μM eZB-Z700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), and 100 μM eZB-X700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan). Cells were then fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA) for 1 hour. After fixation, cells were washed with PBS [8].

3. Cell Counting Kit-8 (CCK-8) Assay

To count cells, we used a CCK-8 assay kit (Dojindo Laboratories, Kumamoto, Japan). We seeded cells onto a 24-well plate at 104 cells per well. After 24 hours, we added 4% FBS to the medium. PBS (43 mM Na₂HPO₄, 15 mM KH₂PO₄, 137 mM NaCl, pH 7.4), 15% FBS, 1% BSA, and 1% P/S. Cells were then treated with 10 μg/ml of PE-Cy5 (TOMBO Biocolor, Otsuka, Japan) for 1 hour. Urea was added to the culture media (100 mg/ml, KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), followed by 100 μM eZB-Z700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), and 100 μM eZB-X700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan). Cells were then fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA) for 1 hour. After fixation, cells were washed with PBS [8].

4. Flow Cytometry Analysis

We used a flow cytometer (BD FACSCanto II, BD Biosciences, Franklin Lakes, NJ, USA) to analyze cell cycle distribution. We seeded cells onto a 24-well plate at 104 cells per well. After 24 hours, we added 4% FBS to the medium. PBS (43 mM Na₂HPO₄, 15 mM KH₂PO₄, 137 mM NaCl, pH 7.4), 15% FBS, 1% BSA, and 1% P/S. Cells were then treated with 10 μg/ml of PE-Cy5 (TOMBO Biocolor, Otsuka, Japan) for 1 hour. Urea was added to the culture media (100 mg/ml, KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), followed by 100 μM eZB-Z700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan), and 100 μM eZB-X700 (KEYENCE, Otsuka, Japan). Cells were then fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA) for 1 hour. After fixation, cells were washed with PBS [8].

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