Carrageenan 유발 족부종에 미치는 두충잎의 효과

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Objectives

To observe the anti-inflammatory effects of Eucommia ulmoides O_{LIVER} (EU) on arrageenan (CAR)-induced inflammation rats, so as to reveal partial effects of EU in relieving acute inflammation.

Materials and Methods

○ Fourty male SD rats were divided into control, model, Indomethacin (IND, 7.5 mg/kg, oral treatment), EU-pre-treatment(300mg/kg) was given orally once daily for 5 days before modeling. Arthritis model was established by subcutaneous injection of 1% CAR, 0.1 mL into the right hind paw. Paw edema degree of the affected hind paw was measured with a foot-volume surveyor. After processing samples of the affected paw toes (including smashing, centrifugalization, etc.), using rotarod and treadmill for behavior measured. We investigated the changes of the rheumatoid factor in serum , volume of edema of ankle joint and diminish pain.

Results

EU administered orally by gavage showed dose-dependent (100-500 mg/kg) anti-inflammatory activity in carrageenan-induced rat paw edema, inhibiting both the edema by 30-40%. and thermal hyperalgesia. Significantly reduced levels of rheumatoid factor was observed in the serum of arthritic rats.

These results suggest that a pharmacological blockade of EU may represent a new therapeutic strategy in signs and symptomatic relief of osteoarthritis and/or rheumatoid arthritis. Hyperalgesia was assessed using the up/down method3 with 8 von Frey monofilaments (4, 6, 10, 18, 40, 78, 141, and 217 mN). Each trial began with the 1 second application of a 10 mN von Frey.

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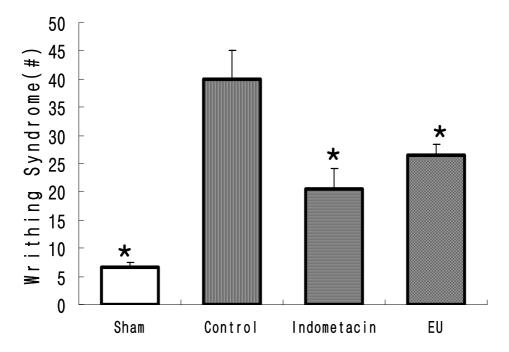


Fig. 1. Paw swelling in carrageenan-injected hind paws. Animals were given an intraplantar injection of carrageenan (1 mg).

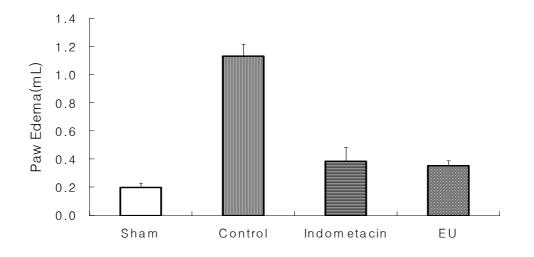


Fig. 2. Effect of EU on writhing test in mice. *p<0.5, **p<0.05. ***p<0.01