Team Aggregation Domination Oral Report 2



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Background

Vascular bypass graft failure rates can be as high as 43% depending on the type of operation.

This failure is thought to be caused by the inflammatory response induced from trauma during transplantation.

Scientists have developed an map kinase inhibitor that moderates endothelial cellular processes such as proliferation, stress response, and apoptosis. Vascular bypass graft patency has been shown to improve with treatment using this MK2 inhibitor.



Problem Statement

- Permeation of this drug is limited by vascular tissue's inherent diffusional barriers.
- The target tissues for this drug are the tunica intima and tunica media.



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We are developing a pressurized device that will deliver prophylactic drugs into the target tissue of the vessel used for vascular bypass graft transplant

Needs Assessment



- Device should cause no toxicity to vein
- Integrate pressure release valve to prevent excess pressure
- Easily integrated into existing operating room technology
- Reasonable cost

Mechanism

- Pressure creates gradient from lumen to exterior of the vessel
- Convective flow of the drug solution into the target tissue
- Should result in a more effective mode of delivery than current method of treatment





Weekly Goals

Ensure that flow occurs through dialysis tubing

Find concentration over time of flow at 100 mmHg and 300 mmHg
Test dialysis clamps to prevent device leakage

Protocol





Results

100 mmHg Flow Test Results

	1	2	3	Average	Relative to Background
Trypan	3.585700	OVER	3.754200	3.669950	
Backgroun					
d	0.040500	0.043500	0.040200	0.041400	
2 min	0.039900	0.039900	0.039600	0.039800	-0.001600
4 min	0.036500	0.037500	0.037900	0.037300	-0.004100
6 min	0.041400	0.042800	0.042300	0.042167	0.000767
8 min	0.047300	0.044800	0.045700	0.045933	0.004533
10 min	0.049000	0.048300	0.048400	0.048567	0.007167
12 min	0.052300	0.054400	0.051900	0.052867	0.011467
14 min	0.056300	0.054400	0.054300	0.055000	0.013600
16 min	0.052700	0.052100	0.052400	0.052400	0.011000
18 min	0.059200	0.058700	0.060800	0.059567	0.018167
20 min	0.063600	0.063100	0.063500	0.063400	0.022000

100 mmHg Absorbance vs. Time



Results

300 mmHg Flow Test Results

	1	2	3	Average	Relative to Background
Trypan	3.335000	3.498100	3.476800	3.436633	
Background	0.040100	0.040100	0.040400	0.040200	
2 min	0.064800	0.042300	0.042000	0.049700	0.009500
4 min	0.045700	0.044500	0.044100	0.044767	0.004567
6 min	0.067400	0.052200	0.054000	0.057867	0.017667
8 min	0.060700	0.064800	0.064500	0.063333	0.023133
10 min	0.069400	0.071400	0.071700	0.070833	0.030633
12 min	0.081400	0.078700	0.083500	0.081200	0.041000
14 min	0.088900	0.088600	0.091000	0.089500	0.049300
16 min	0.092200	0.092600	0.092900	0.092567	0.052367
18 min	0.107600	0.104700	0.108100	0.106800	0.066600
20 min	0.116100	0.117600	0.117100	0.116933	0.076733

300 mmHg Absorbance vs. Time



Results

Comparison of 100 mmHg and 300 mmHg 0.09 0.076733333 0.08 0.07 0.06 Absorbance (a.u.) 0.05 0.04 0.022000004 0.03 0.02 0.01 0 12 16 20 -0.01 Time (minutes)

To make sure there were no leaks we compared the data and saw what we expected (3x increase in absorbance).

Data Analysis

Goal: To compare hydraulic conductivity of dialysis tubing with veins.

Equations used:

$$Flow Rate (cm^{3}/sec) = \frac{Absorbance_{peak}}{Absorbance_{Trypan}} * \frac{Volume_{bath}}{Time_{peak}}$$
$$Surface Area (cm^{2}) = 2 * pi * radius * length$$
$$Hydraulic Conductivity \left(\frac{cm}{sec * mmHg}\right) = \frac{Flow Rate}{(Surface Area) * (Pressure)}$$

Data Analysis

	100 mmHg	300 mmHg
Hydraulic		
Conductivity	7.160E-07	4.701E-07

From Vargas et al. (1986) it was found that vena cava endothelium had a hydraulic conductivity of about 1.23*10^-7 cm/s*mmHg.

Future Tasks

Pressure-Induced Tissue Damage Assessment

7 trials using improved prototype design

Immunohistochemistry to analyze tissue damage



Future Tasks

Histology to address depth of drug permeation
 Compare to today's standard
 Evans Blue Dye

Fluorescence assay to address depth of drug permeation

✤ Address safety benchmarks (??)

Efficacy trials for decreased graft failure rates
 MK2 inhibitors decrease incidence of vein graft failure and occlusion (J. Alexander, Duke 2010)

