

nosocomial UTI. The same pattern was described in several European hospitals¹².

CONCLUSION

This study suggests that if one could not wait the results of urine culture, the best choices to begin empiric treatment of nosocomial UTI are imipenem, second or third generation cephalosporin and aminoglycosides. Cefalothin and ampicilin are quite ineffective to treat these infections.

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RESUMO – Introdução: A infecção urinária é a mais comum das infecções hospitalares. O conhecimento da prevalência das cepas bacterianas e do antibiograma é importante para orientar a escolha inicial do antibiótico. **Objetivo:** Determinar a prevalência bacteriana e a sensibilidade aos antibióticos na infecção urinária hospitalar, em um hospital universitário, período janeiro-junho de 2003. **Métodos:** Foram analisados os prontuários de 188 pacientes com urocultura positiva ($\geq 10^5$ colônias/ml), depois de decorrido um período de pelo menos 48h da internação. **Resultados:** Metade dos pacientes era homens. A idade média da amostra foi $50,2 \pm 22,7$ anos com variação de 3 meses a 88 anos. Em 80% dos casos a bactéria identificada era Gram-negativa. Os microrganismos mais comuns foram *E. coli* (26%), *Klebsiella sp* (15%), *P. aeruginosa* (15%) e *Enterococcus sp* (11%). O antibiograma mostrou maior sensibilidade bacteriana ao imipenem (83%), cefalosporinas de segunda e terceira geração e aminoglicosídeos e grande resistência à ampicilina e cefalotina. A sensibilidade foi baixa também para ciprofloxacina (42%) e norfloxacina (43%). **Conclusão:** Este estudo sugere que se não for possível aguardar os resultados da cultura e antibiograma a melhor escolha para início do tratamento seria o imipenem, cefalosporinas de segunda e terceira geração e aminoglicosídeos. A cefalotina e a ampicilina não constituem boa opção para o tratamento empírico inicial.

DESCRITORES: Infecção urinária. Etiologia, antibiograma. Infecção hospitalar. Microbiologia, sensibilidade.

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14 – ARTIGO ORIGINAL

Behavior of cholinesterase and liver mitochondrial function in dogs submitted to normothermic ischemia and reperfusion.¹

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ABSTRACT – Purpose: The plasmatic activity of the cholinesterase (CHE) and the liver mitochondrial function, expressed by the ratio of respiratory control (RCR), were studied during normothermic ischemia. **Methods:** Sixteen adult mongrels, eight females and eight males were submitted to ischemia by clamping of the hepatic artery, portal vein and infrahepatic inferior vena cava, infrahepatic, for two h, followed by reperfusion for 1 h. The CHE and the mitochondrial function were evaluated at 60 and 120 min. of ischemia and at 15 and 60 minutes of reperfusion. **Results:** The CHE decreased, significantly, during ischemia and in reperfusion. The RCR was decreased at 120 min. of ischemia, returning to the initial values on reperfusion. **Conclusion:** In this study, the CHE was a sensitive indicator of ischemic injury, suggesting irreversibility of ischemia injury. The RCR, by other side, showed a greater sensibility than the CHE in detection sense, during the studied period, the reversibility of the hepatic ischemic injury.

KEY WORDS: Cholinesterase. Mitochondrial function. Passive venous bypass. Liver transplantation. Ischemia. Reperfusion.

INTRODUCTION

Several studies have been published regarding the hepatocellular biochemical and histological alterations during hepatic ischemia and reperfusion. Many of these alterations are studied in the hepatic tissue and, sometimes, alterations can be detected in the plasma 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8.

To analyse, experimentally, the ischemia and reperfusion injuries of the hepatocytes some parameters can be used: the mitochondrial function, capacity to produce ATP, and the intracellular enzymatic contents released into the plasma.

The reversibility of ischemic injuries is related to cellular alterations after reperfusion, to cellular capacity of ATP production and to the intracellular calcium contents regulation⁹. The CHE, an enzyme produced in the liver by the endoplasmic reticulum, is usually in high concentrations in the human plasma^{10,11,12}.

Its reduced activity is considered a sign of hepatic perfusion reduction, shortage of proteic synthesis and associated with liver necrosis, with parenchyma reduction¹¹, mainly in chronic liver diseases, as cirrhosis and Kwashiorkor. The CHE would be related to the hepatic synthesis activity as well as the seric albumin¹⁰.

The hepatocyte mitochondrial function and its capacity to restore the energy production by the activation of glicolitic pathway during ischemia, has been studied as important indicators of irreversibility cellular injury^{2,13,14}. It's known that maintenance of cellular membrane potentializes an energy dependent process and that during ischemia, the content of hepatocyte ATP is reduced in minutes 15.

Rhodes et al.¹³ showed that the hepatic ischemia needed to cause cellular death involves irreversible alterations in mitochondrial energetics functions. There is controversy whether irreversible mitochondrial injury precedes or whether it is a late manifestation of cellular death. Its clear that duration of ischemic is a crucial factor in the reversibility of the process. 1

The purpose of this work is to investigate the alterations on CHE plasmatic activity, as well as the hepatocyte mitochondrial function during 2h of ischemia and after 1h of reperfusion, relating them to cellular viability. These parameters can be used as prognostic indicators in surgical procedures where the blood supply should be temporally interrupted, as well as for evaluating hepatic metabolic restoration after reperfusion in liver transplantation, hepatectomies and livers injuries.

METHODS

Sixteen adult mongrels, eight females and eight males, weighing between 8 and 30 kilograms, were studied. All the surgical procedures were made in a normal temperature of 25°C, with non-sterilised, but clean instruments. The animals were kept fasting for 24 hours before the surgery, with water "ad libitum" until 2 hours before anesthesia. The anesthetics used was sodium ethyl barbiturate (Nembutal – Abbot Lab.), 30 mg per kilogram of body weight, intravenously. The hepatic ischemia was produced by temporary clamping of the hepatic artery (HA), infrahepatic cava inferior vein, above the renal veins (CIV), porta vein (PV), with 2 hours duration. All dogs received heparine, 150 U per kilogram of weight, endovenous, 10 min. before the beginning of ischemia¹⁴.

The portal and inferior vena caval decompression was achieved by bypass of the femoral vein and the lateral and cranial branch of the splenic vein to the jugular vein, with the use of a siliconized and heparinized of polyvinyl tubing. At the end of the ischemic period, the splenic flux to the porta vein was kept by ligature of its branch, keeping the splenic vein permeability. The arterial mean pressure and the central venous pressure were monitored by cateters introduced into femoral artery and into the external jugular, connected to the Physiograph – MK IV, from Narco Bio Systems.

Liver biopsies were made before the ischemia, at 60 and 120 min. of ischemia, and at 15 and 60 min. of reperfusion to study the mitochondrial function. Samples of venous blood were collected in heparinized glass tubes (0,05 mL – Liquemine, Roche Lab, 5000 U/mL) at the same periods.

Isolation of dog liver mitochondria. Mitochondria were isolated by conventional differential centrifugation¹⁶. The liver was immediately removed, washed in cold saline and homogenized three times at 1 min intervals in a Potter-Elvehjem homogenizer in 10 mL of a medium containing 250 mM sucrose, 1 mM EGTA, 10 mM Hepes-KOH at pH 7.2. Homogenates were centrifuged at 770g for 5 min and the resulting supernatant further centrifuged at 9.800g for 10 min. Pellets were suspended in 10 mL of a medium containing 250 mM sucrose, 0.3 mM EGTA and 10 mM Hepes-KOH at pH 7.2, and centrifuged at 4.500g for 15 min. The final mitochondrial pellet was suspended in 0.5 mL of a medium containing 250 mM sucrose, and 10 mM Hepes-KOH at pH

7.2. All procedures were conducted at 4°C and all solutions were prepared using glass-distilled and deionized water.

Protein determination. Mitochondrial protein content was determined by biuret reaction¹⁷.

Mitochondrial respiration. Mitochondrial respiration was monitored polarographically with an oxygraph equipped with a Clark-type oxygen electrode (Gilson Medical Electronics, Middleton, WI, USA). Assays were performed at 30°C using mitochondria (1 mg protein/mL) energized by 5 mM a-ketoglutarate. Respiration media contained 125 mM sucrose, 65 mM KCl, 0.1 mM EGTA, 1mM MgCl₂, 2 mM KH₂PO₄, and 10 mM Hepes-KOH at pH 7.4. The state 3 respiration was induced with 400 nmol ADP and state 4 respiration was determined after the phosphorylation of ADP. These respiratory parameters were expressed in n at. O/min/mg mitochondrial protein. The Respiratory Control Ratio (RCR), was determined by relation between the state 3 respiration and state 4 respiration¹⁸.

Determination of cholinesterase activity. The plasma cholinesterase activity study was made by colorimetric method¹⁸.

Statistical analysis

The Wilcoxon paired test was used with the significance level of 5%. The absolute values of each experiment were enunciated as mean (x) and standard error (se).

Results

The figure 1 shows the plasma cholinesterase activity (U/L), mean and standard error, as well as the ratio of velocity the states 3 and 4 of mitochondrial respiration expressed by RCR, in animals before ischemia (C) at 60 (I1) and 120 (I2) minutes of ischemia and after 15 (R1) and 60 (R2) minutes of reperfusion.

The CHE plasmatic activity mean in the studied times was: 1278, 1093, 938, 777 and 736 U/L. There was significant difference between the mean before ischemia (C) and the times I1, I2, R1, and R2 ($p < 0,05$). There wasn't difference, in statistical point of view, between R1 and R2 ($p > 0,05$). In relation to the RCR, the means were: 4,8; 4,4; 3,4; 3,8 and 3,9. Significant reduction of RCR between times C and I2 ($p < 0,05$) was observed. There wasn't also statistical differences between times C, I1, R1 and R2 ($p > 0,05$).

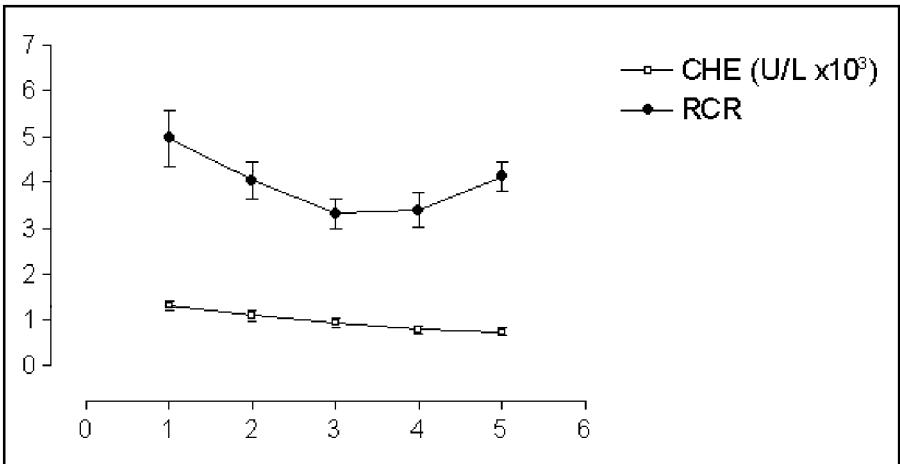


FIGURE 1 – The cholinesterase (CHE) plasmatic activity (U/L.103) and the respiratory control ratio (RCR) before and during hepatic ischemia and after reperfusion ($X \pm se$).

* $p < 0,05$ (Wilcoxon test) vs other times.

Discussion

In this study, accentuated reduction in the plasmatic levels of the CHE was observed during ischemia and after reperfusion of the liver. This can be explained by the injuries caused during the two periods, with a consequent reduction of its synthesis. After reperfusion there was a significant reduction of the CHE, characterizing the injuries of ischemia and reperfusion.

The change in plasmatic enzymatic concentration expresses the cellular injury without relating to its reversibility⁵. Consistent mitochondrial alterations occur after an interruption of the blood flow to different organs and the impossibility to reverse these disturbances are related to the incapacity of restructuring the cellular function ^{4,9,20}.

The injuries from the reperfusion depends of the reestablishment of the blood flow and the amount of oxygen available to an organ previously ischemic or anoxic. There are tissue microcirculatory changes, just after the reperfusion, which result in some areas having no blood flow

Another aspect reperfusion injuries are the nocives chemical reactions involving free radicals derived from oxygen that is introduced in to ischemic areas, causing cellular injury ^{8,10}. The RCR showed a decrease in I₂ with return to the initial values in R₂, characterizing the reversibility of the injuries.

After half an hour of ischemia few or no evidence of histological cellular death was observed after 24 hours of reperfusion³. Nevertheless, after 2 to 3 hours of ischemia there was extensive necrosis compromising the membrane function, calcium pump and the capacity to produce ATP.

These same authors showed that ischemia induces disturbances in phospholipid metabolism which can be detected as membrane dysfunction.

The present study showed that CHE is a sensitive indicator of ischemia and reperfusion injury, in the time studied. Probably, 60 minutes was insufficient to the liver could resynthesized the CHE, by other side, the mitochondrial function showed a greater sensitivity than the CHE, during the period studied, to detect the reversibility of the hepatic ischemic injury.

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RESUMO- Objetivo : A atividade plasmática da colinesterase (CHE) e a função mitocondrial do fígado expressa pela RCR- razão de controle respiratório mitocondrial foram estudadas durante a isquemia/reperfusão hepáticas. **Métodos:** Dezenas cães adultos sem raça definida (oito machos e oito fêmeas) foram submetidos a isquemia normotérmica por pinçamento do pedúculo hepático e da veia cava inferior infra-hepática por 2 horas, seguida de 15 e 60 minutos de reperfusão. A CHE e a RCR foram avaliadas após 60 e 120 minutos de isquemia e após 15 e 60 minutos de reperfusão. **Resultados :** Os níveis de CHE diminuíram significativamente na isquemia e

reperfusão. A RCR diminuiu após 120 minutos de isquemia retornando a níveis semelhantes ao controle após a reperfusão. **Conclusão:** A CHE foi sensível para indicar a lesão isquêmica, sugerindo irreversibilidade da lesão. Já a RCR foi mais sensível no sentido de detectar a reversibilidade da lesão isquêmica após a reperfusão.

DESCRITORES: Colinesterase. Função mitocondrial. Transplante de fígado. Isquemia. Reperfusão.

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15 – ARTIGO RETROSPECTIVO

Adrenalectomia laparoscópica: análise de 11 pacientes¹

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RESUMO – Objetivo: Analisar a experiência inicial da Divisão de Urologia do HCFMRP-USP na adrenalectomia transperitoneal videolaparoscópica. **Métodos:** Análise retrospectiva de 11 casos de adrenalectomia transperitoneal laparoscópica realizados de fevereiro de 1999 a março de 2003 sendo 3 em homens (27%) e 8 em mulheres (73%), idade média de $40,2 \pm 13,1$ anos. Os pacientes apresentavam os diagnósticos seguintes: adenoma – 5, síndrome de Cushing – 3, feocromocitoma – 1, hiperaldosteronismo – 1 e síndrome de Carney – 1. **Resultados:** A cirurgia foi bilateral em 05 pacientes (45,4%) e unilateral em 06 pacientes (54,6%), destes 04 à direita (36,4%) e 02 à esquerda (18,2%). O tempo médio de internação foi de $3,6 \pm 1,1$ dias, o tempo médio de cirurgia foi de $220,5 \pm 103,7$ minutos e a taxa de conversão foi de 18,2%. **Conclusão:** Os resultados apresentados são similares aos relatados pela literatura, demonstrando que a adrenalectomia videolaparoscópica pode ser realizada de maneira segura e eficiente com benefícios: tempo cirúrgico aceitável, rápida recuperação pós-operatória e alta precoce.

DESCRITORES: Adrenalectomia, laparoscopia. Adenoma da adrenal. Cushing. Conn. Carey.

INTRODUÇÃO

O uso de técnicas minimamente invasivas tem mudado o acesso cirúrgico à glândula adrenal. Desde sua primeira descrição, em 1991 por Gayigner¹, a adrenalectomia videolaparoscópica tem se difundido com ampla aceitação mundial². Antes do advento da laparoscopia o acesso cirúrgico tradicional geralmente se fazia por ampla incisão na pele para exposição adequada de um órgão pequeno e friável com abundante e delicada vascularização, situada no retroperitônio³. Na última década vários trabalhos foram publicados a respeito dos benefícios da adrenalectomia videolaparoscópica^{2,4,5}. Atualmente é considerada o tratamento padrão para a maioria dos pacientes com patologias cirúrgicas da adrenal, incluindo tumores e o feocromocitoma^{4,5}. O procedimento está associado com menor período de convalescência, menor dor pós-operatória, internação hospitalar reduzida e retorno precoce à atividade funcional do paciente⁶. O objetivo deste trabalho é mostrar a experiência inicial da disciplina de Urologia do HCFMRP-USP.

MÉTODOS

Análise retrospectiva dos casos de adrenalectomia laparoscópica realizada de fevereiro de 1999 a

março de 2003 no HCFMRP-USP. Os procedimentos foram realizados via transperitoneal. Os pacientes foram posicionados em decúbito lateral. O pneumoperitônio foi obtido com punção abdominal com agulha de Veress e insuflado dióxido de carbono (CO₂) na pressão de 12-14 mmHg. O acesso à cavidade peritoneal foi obtido inicialmente através de uma pequena incisão transversa situada na linha medioclávicular na altura da cicatriz umbilical, onde foi inserido trocarte de 10 mm e colocado a câmera. Três portes adicionais de 5 ou 10 mm foram então colocados: na linha medioclávicular aproximadamente dois dedos abaixo da margem costal, na linha axilar anterior na altura da cicatriz umbilical e linha axilar posterior.

Na dissecção laparoscópica, numerosas pequenas artérias e veias são encontradas e devem ser controladas tanto por eletrocauterização ou clipeamento pois as adrenais têm suprimento sanguíneo extremamente rico com ramos arteriais da aorta, artéria frênica inferior e artéria renal. A veia adrenal origina-se na medula e desemboca na veia cava no lado direito e na veia renal do lado esquerdo³.

Na adrenalectomia direita o peritônio é incisado e rebatido inferiormente, o fígado afastado para exposição adequada. A dissecção da glândula adre-

nal direita começa inferior e lateral onde o tecido fibroadiposo contém pequenos vasos que são controlados. A veia adrenal entrando na veia cava é identificada e dissecada precocemente, é então duplamente ligada com cliques metálicos e seccionada. A dissecção prossegue superiormente no tecido adiposo entre a glândula adrenal e a face lateral da veia cava inferior, os vasos encontrados são cuidadosamente ligados. A musculatura póstero-inferior do diafragma pode ser vista neste ponto. A dissecção continua inferiormente até a face ínfra-medial da glândula quando é liberada da fásica de Gerota. A glândula adrenal é removida num saco endoscópico através de um dos portes. É realizada então a revisão da hemostasia.

Para o acesso à adrenal esquerda, a flexura esplênica deve ser incisada e o cólon rebatido inferiormente, geralmente o baço não necessita de afastamento. A dissecção do tecido ao redor da face posterior da cauda do pâncreas ajuda a definir a borda anterior da adrenal esquerda. A dissecção continua póstero-inferiormente no tecido fibroadiposo entre a adrenal e o rim e prossegue anteriormente com atenção para a localização da veia adrenal esquerda.

Os diagnósticos estão apresentados na Tabela 1. Nenhum dos tumores apresentava diâmetro superior a 4cm.

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