



Forschungsprojekt mit humanen embryonalen Stammzellen /  
Projet de recherche utilisant des cellules souches embryonnaires humaines  
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Projekttitle / titre du projet	<i>Use of aggregating rat brain cell cultures and development of an histotypic 3-dimensional culture system from human stem</i>
Projektstand / état du projet	beendet
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Voraussichtliche Dauer / durée probable	24 Monate
Ziele des Projekts / but du projet	<p>Preparation of 3D cultures from human embryonic stem cells using a well established and characterized in vitro rodent brain cell model, the aggregating rat brain cell cultures, we have investigated the neurotoxic potential of drugs and of environmental toxicants. An early and sensitive marker of neurotoxicity appeared to be a neuroinflammatory response, characterized by the reactivity of glial cells (microglial cells and astrocytes).</p> <p>Interestingly, neuroinflammation is also a pathogenic mechanism in neurodegenerative diseases. In order to increase the predictability for human toxicity, we will prepare 3D cultures from human embryonic stem cells (hESC). By manipulating medium conditions and diverse trophic factors they should differentiate into neurons, astrocytes and oligodendrocytes. In addition human monocytes or human microglial cells obtained after specific differentiation of hESC will be added to the cultures, in order to obtain all types of brain cells. It is expected that these cultures will organize in an histotypic manner and will reproduce the complexity of the cell-to-cell interactions.</p>
Verwendete hES Zelllinien / Lignées de cellules utilisées	H1 (WA01) BAG-hES-IMP-0001 CHES7 BAG-hES-GEW-0006 CHES2 BAG-hES-GEW-0002 CHES3 BAG-hES-GEW-0003 CHES5 BAG-hES-GEW-0004



Projektergebnis / résultat du projet

From the human embryonic stem cells, induction of neural progenitors (NPCs) was performed. After expansion, the NPCs were detached and the cell suspension was transferred into low adhesion plates maintained in constant gyratory agitation. Under these conditions, 3D structures developed, grew in size and could be maintained for 3 months. NPCs underwent differentiation into neurons, astrocytes and oligodendrocytes. These 3D cultures were treated with several neurotoxicants (methyl mercury, trimethyl tin, paraquat, and iboprunen as negative control) and results were compared to those obtained in 3D cultures prepared from fetal rat brain cells..