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1. Topic in Research Achievements in the Year 2006

Mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs) are fascinating sources for cell therapy and regenerative medicine. In vitro chondrogenesis of bone marrow-derived MSCs was first reported by Johnstone et al. We found that addition of BMPs to previous chondrogenesis medium enhanced cartilage formation (Biochem Biophys Res Commun 2001; Cell Tissue Res 2005). This simple model made it possible to define in detail the cellular and molecular events during chondrogenesis (Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, 2002). There are increasing reports that MSCs are present in various tissues. We compared chondrogenic potential of MSCs derived from bone marrow, synovium, periosteum, skeletal muscle, adipose tissue and demonstrated synovial MSCs had greater chondrogenesis potential in vitro (Arth Rheuma 2005; J Cell Biochem 2006). Also, chondrogenic potential of synovial MSCs was similar in both young and elderly donors (Arth Rheuma 2006). Furthermore, synovial MSCs implanted into cartilage defect of rabbits differentiated into cartilage according to the local environment (Stem Cells 2006). These indicate superiority of synovium as a cell source for cartilage regeneration.

MSCs also exist in synovial fluid. We found that MSC number in synovial fluid was 100-folds more in anterior cruciate ligament injury patients than that in healthy volunteers. Gene profile analysis demonstrated synovial fluid-derived MSCs were more similar to synovial MSCs rather than bone marrow MSCs. After great amount of synovial MSCs were injected into the knee joint, the cells adhered to the injured sites and promoted ligament and meniscus injuries in animal models. This method has a potential of enhancing repair of joint injuries with little invasion.

For expansion of MSCs, supplementation of serum is necessary and fetal bovine serum should be away for clinical use to avoid bovine transmission disease. Fold increases of synovium-derived MSCs with human autologous serum were significantly higher than those with FBS. Contrary, fold increases of bone marrow-derived MSCs with autologous human serum were significantly lower than those with FBS. Synovial MSCs are practical for clinical applications with autologous human serum.

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Intraarticular Osteoprotegerin Administration Prevents Cartilage Destruction in a Murine Model of Osteoarthritis Shimizu S

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Synovium-derived mesenchymal stem cells enhance tendon-bone healing by producing collagen fibers

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