Data Article

Data supporting attempted caveolae-mediated phagocytosis of surface-fixed micro-pillars by human osteoblasts

Caroline Moerke a, Petra Mueller a, Barbara Nebe a, *

a University Medical Center Rostock, Department of Cell Biology, Rostock, Germany

ARTICLE INFO

Article history:
Received 16 October 2015
Received in revised form
10 November 2015
Accepted 6 February 2016
Available online 17 February 2016

ABSTRACT

The provided data contains the phagocytic interaction of human MG-63 osteoblasts with micro-particles 6 µm in size as well as geometric micro-pillared topography with micro-pillar sizes 5 µm of length, width, height and spacing respectively related to the research article entitled “Attempted caveolae-mediated phagocytosis of surface-fixed micro-pillars by human osteoblasts” in the Biomaterials journal. [1] Micro-particle treatment was used as positive control triggering phagocytosis by the osteoblasts. Caveolin-1 (Cav-1) as major structural component of caveolae [2] plays an important role in the phagocytic process of micro-particles and -pillars. Data related to the experiments in [1] with siRNA-mediated knockdown are presented here as well as micro-particle control experiments, tubulin analysis on the micro-pillared topography and initial cell interaction with the micro-pillars.

© 2016 The Authors. Published by Elsevier Inc. This is an open access article under the CC BY license (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/).

Specifications table

| Subject area          | Biology                      |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| More specific subject area | Osteoblast interaction with biomaterial topographies |

DOI of original article: http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.biomaterials.2015.10.030

* Corresponding author.
E-mail address: barbara.nebe@med.uni-rostock.de (B. Nebe).

http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.dib.2016.02.023

2352-3409 © 2016 The Authors. Published by Elsevier Inc. This is an open access article under the CC BY license (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/).
| Type of data | Images, Movie |
|-------------|---------------|
| How data was acquired | Confocal Laser Scanning Microscope (LSM780; Carl Zeiss), SEM (DSM910A; Carl Zeiss) |
| Data format | Raw data |
| Experimental factors | Effect of micro-pillared topography and micro-particles on osteoblast cell behavior |
| Experimental features | Visualization of protein localization changes via immuno-labeling after particle treatment and on the micro-pillared topography; cell morphology changes after micro-particles treatment |
| Data source location | University Medical Center Rostock, Germany |
| Data accessibility | Data is available in this article and related to [1] |

Value of the data

- The data inform future studies of topography-induced phagocytic responses of osteoblasts, which is of relevance for designing new implant surfaces.
- Micro-pillared topography has an enormous effect on the actin arrangement but no impact on tubulin cytoskeleton organization, thus the data inform about the complexity of cellular reactions on biomaterial topographies.
- Utilizing 6 μm sized particles showed triggering phagocytosis in osteoblasts with CD68 involvement and only partial Caveolin-1 dependency relevant for researches in the implant wear-debris area.
- The data displays the independence of Caveolin-1 on actin reorganization during phagocytosis.

1. Data, experimental design, materials and methods

1.1. Micro-particle treatment of human MG-63 cells and SEM sample preparation

MG-63 (American Type Culture Collection ATCC®, CRL-1427) were grown in Dulbecco’s modified eagle medium (DMEM, Life Technologies GmbH, Darmstadt, Germany) with 10% fetal calf serum (FCS) (Biochrom ECS Superior, Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany) and 1% gentamycin (Ratiopharm GmbH, Ulm, Germany) at 37 °C in a humidified atmosphere with 5% CO2. Cells were seeded on cover glasses and incubated for 1 h at 37 °C and 5% CO2 to ensure adhesion. Afterwards the cells were incubated with melamine particles 6 μm in size marked with FITC (Sigma Aldrich) in a concentration of 10^5 ml^-1 for 24 h. For SEM sample preparations cells were washed with PBS three times and then fixed with 2.5% glutardialdehyde (Merck KGaA) for 1 h at RT, dehydrated through a graded series of ethanol (30%, 50%, 75%, 90% and 100% for 5, 5, 15, 10 min and twice for 10 min, respectively) dried in a critical point dryer (K 850, EMITECH, Taunusstein, Germany) and then samples were sputtered with gold for 100 s (layer ca. 20 nm) (SCD 004, BAL-TEC, Wetzlar, Germany).

1.2. Immunofluorescence staining

Osteoblastic cells were cultured on the Ti arrays described in [1, 3] and after micro-particle treatment for 24 h, washed three times with PBS and then fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (PFA) (10 min; room temperature, RT) (Sigma-Aldrich). After washing thrice with PBS, the cells were permeabilized with 0.1% Triton X-100 (10 min, RT) (Merck), washed again three times with PBS and blocked with 2% bovine serum albumin (BSA) (Sigma-Aldrich) in PBS (30 min, RT). For actin filament staining, cells were incubated with phalloidine coupled with tetramethyl-rhodamine (TRITC) (5 μg/ml in PBS) (Sigma-Aldrich). The following primary antibodies (diluted in PBS) were used for the immunolabeling at RT for 1 h: polyclonal rabbit anti-caveolin-1 (New England Biolabs GmbH) (1:400), polyclonal rabbit anti-CD68 (Proteintech Europe Inc.) (1:25), monoclonal mouse anti-α tubulin (1:50). Secondary antibodies anti-rabbit-IgG-AF488, anti-mouse-IgG-AF488 and anti-rabbit-IgG-AF546 (Life
Technologies, diluted 1:200 in PBS) were applied for 30 min at RT. The samples were embedded with fluoroshield mounting media (Sigma-Aldrich). Image acquisition was performed with the ZEISS oil immersion objective (C-Apochromat 63) and the ZEN 2011 (black version) software (Carl Zeiss AG). Images were displayed as three dimensional (3D) z-stacks (13 stacks with an interval of 1 μm) in addition with a 2D xz- and yz-plane at micro-particle experiments.

1.3. Cav-1 transfection

Small interfering RNA (siRNA) against Cav-1 as well as control siRNA were obtained from Ambion (Life Technologies GmbH). For the transfection, 30,000 MG-63 cells were seeded in a 24-well plate and cultured overnight. Then the cells were transfected with 50 nM siRNA using MG-63 Transfection Reagent (Altogen Biosystems, Las Vegas, NV, USA) according to the manufacturer’s instructions. 48 h after the transfection the cells were ready for further experiments. For once they were treated for 24 h with 6 μm particles and they were also trypsinated and seeded onto the Ti arrays for 24 h.

1.4. Live cell imaging

For the observation of actin in living cells, the GFP-actin baculovirus expression vector (CellLight™ Actin-GFP BacMam 2.0, Life Technologies) was transfected into MG-63 cells according to the manufacturer’s protocol. Cells were cultured for over 24 h to examine GFP-actin expression. Afterwards the cells were trypsinized and seeded onto the Ti arrays for 15 min to ensure adhesion. Then the Ti arrays were placed into an IBIDI µ-Dish 35 mm high (Ibidi LCC) with the adherent cells towards the bottom of the dish containing 2 ml of DMEM. The actin dynamics of the vital cells was visualized with the inverted confocal laser scanning microscope using a 20 × (EC Plan-Neofluar) objective (Carl Zeiss AG) under incubation at 37 °C and 5% CO2. Thus actin dynamics were visualized with cultivation against gravity so the cells hanging upside down only secured by the adhesion. Image acquisition was every 10 min for 7 h and converted into a video via the ZEN 2011 (black version) software.

Fig. 1. 6 μm particle distributions after phagocytosis in human MG-63 cells. (A) cell morphology visualized by SEM (1000 × magnification, bar 20 μm) and (B) actin fluorescent labeling displaying 3D z-stack image with confocal xz-plane (above) and yz-plane (right); bar 20 μm.
**Fig. 2.** Actin cytoskeleton organization during micro-particle treatment after siRNA-mediated Caveolin-1 (Cav-1) knockdown in MG-63 osteoblasts. Bars 20 μm (left) and 5 μm (right).

**Fig. 3.** Actin cytoskeleton (red) organization after siRNA mediated Caveolin-1 (Cav-1) knockdown in MG-63 osteoblasts after 24 h on planar reference (Ref) and micro-pillars (P-5 × 5). For verification of Cav-1 knockdown Cav-1 was immuno-labeled in green, equal setting for the image acquisition, bars 20 μm and for 5 × zoom 5 μm.
2. Data

2.1. Micro-particle uptake and distribution

In Fig. 1 the cell morphology and actin cytoskeleton organization of human MG-63 cells after micro-particle treatment is presented. The cells phagocytize several micro-particles during 24 h incubation time. All particles were concentrated and not freely distributed inside the cells.

2.2. Actin cytoskeleton organization after siRNA-mediated Cav-1 knockdown in MG-63 cells after micro-particle treatment and on the micro-pillared topography

The actin cytoskeleton after Cav-1 attenuation was arranged in short filaments around non-internalized particles, which were washed away during the preparation (Fig. 2). The images show a reduced particle phagocytosis by MG-63 cells, but no complete inhibition of the phagocytosis, as reported in the past. [4]

The MG-63 osteoblasts with siRNA mediated Cav-1 knockdown grown on the micro-pillars indicated the same rearrangement of the actin cytoskeleton as seen in control cells, illustrated by Fig. 3.
2.3. **CD68 localization after micro-particle phagocytosis**

Immunofluorescence staining showed an enrichment of CD68 around internalized particles 6 μm in size, presented by Fig. 4.

2.4. **α-Tubulin localization in MG-63 osteoblasts on micro-pillared topography**

Fig. 5 displayed an unaltered α-Tubulin organization in MG-63 cells grown on the micro-pillared topography.

2.5. **Initial cell dynamic on the micro-pillared topography**

The MG-63 cells are actively testing the underlying topography with their filopodia during the first 6 h after cell seeding onto the micro-pillared topography, shown by Movie 1.

Supplementary material related to this article can be found online at http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.dib.2016.02.023.

**Acknowledgments**

This research was supported by the DFG Graduate School welisa (No. 1505/2) for CM. We thank Norbert Zichner (Center for Microtechnologies ZFM, Chemnitz University of Technology, Germany) for the production of the titanium-coated materials and Marcus Frank (Electron Microscopy Center, University Medical Center Rostock, Germany) for his assistance with electron microscopy.

**Appendix A. Supplementary material**

Supplementary data associated with this article can be found in the online version at http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.dib.2016.02.023.

**References**

[1] C. Moerke, P. Mueller, B. Nebe, Attempted caveolae-mediated phagocytosis of surface-fixed micro-pillars by human osteoblasts, Biomaterials 76 (2016) 102–114. http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.biomaterials.2015.10.030.

[2] R.G. Parton, M.A. del Pozo, Caveolae as plasma membrane sensors, protectors and organizers, Nat. Rev. Mol. Cell Biol. 14 (2013) 98–112. http://dx.doi.org/10.1038/nrm3512.

[3] S. Staehlke, A. Koertge, B. Nebe, Intracellular calcium dynamics dependent on defined microtopographical features of titanium, Biomaterials 46 (2015) 48–57. http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.biomaterials.2014.12.016.

[4] L. Pelkmans, A. Helenius, Endocytosis via caveolae, Traffic 3 (2002) 311–320. http://dx.doi.org/10.1034/j.1600–0854.2002.30501.x.