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Monitoring the Time Course of Cerebral Deoxyglucose Metabolism by ³¹P Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy

Abstract. The phosphorylation of 2-deoxyglucose by the mammalian brain is used as an index of the brain's energy metabolism. The results of phosphorus-31 nuclear magnetic resonance (${}^{31}P$ NMR) monitoring of conscious animals in vivo showed rapid phosphorylation of 2-deoxyglucose by brain tissue. The rate of phosphorylation as determined by ${}^{31}P$ NMR was consistent with results achieved by tracer methods using carbon-14-labeled 2-deoxyglucose. However, the disappearance of 2-deoxyglucose-6-phosphate was shown to be faster than that reported by tracer studies and occurred without alterations of intracellular pH and energy homeostasis. These results were confirmed by gas chromatography and mass spectroscopy. It is postulated that 2-deoxyglucose may be metabolized in several ways, including dephosphorylation by a hexose phosphatase.

Brain neuronal activity requires large amounts of energy. Regions within the brain selectively increase or decrease energy utilization in a manner commensurate with behavioral changes, as is revealed by electroencephalography, evoked potentials, cerebral blood flow (1), and methods that employ metabolic substrates such as oxygen and glucose (2). The use of glucose analogs, including 14 C-labeled 2-deoxyglucose (2-dGlc) (3), has enhanced the applicability of techniques such as positron emission tomography and autoradiography. All the methods provide mutually confirming results. However, the basic assumptions of the analog methods have been challenged (4).

Phosphorus-31 nuclear magnetic resonance (³¹P NMR) spectroscopy can monitor high-energy phosphorus metabolites—such as adenosine triphosphate (ATP), phosphocreatine (PCr), inorganic phosphate (P_i), and various phosphomonoesters (PME) including 2-deoxyglucose-6-phosphate (2-dGlc-6-P)—in living animals (5) (Fig. 1). The surface-coil radio frequency antenna, a small trans-14 JUNE 1985 mitter-receiver that can be placed over the intact skin of the anatomic region of interest, has allowed long-term, spatially localized observation of ongoing normal metabolic events (6). To study the accumulation of intracerebral 2-dGlc-6-P after a single intravenous injection of 2dGlc in the conscious animal, we used surface-coil ³¹P NMR to observe PME



resonances before and after injection.

The subjects were 12 Sprague-Dawley rats (250 g in body weight), housed in group cages with free access to food, that had adapted to standing upright in an NMR probe while fully awake. For the experiments, the rats were deprived of food for 16 hours, after which their blood glucose content was measured. If the content for a particular rat was less than 100 mg/dl (5.6 mM), the animal was anesthetized with halothane and a catheter was inserted in the tail vein. After the rat awakened and could stand steadily on all four paws, pentobarbital (20 mg/kg) was delivered through the catheter, which was considered patent if the animal collapsed immediately. The rat was supported and restrained in an NMR probe. An oval, single-turn surface coil (~1.75 by 1 cm) was placed 1 mm above the cranium, and the rat was ascertained to be responsive by an active corneal reflex. The probe was inserted into an 8.5-T spectrometer (Bruker model WH 360) operating at a frequency of 145.8 MHz. Spectra for ³¹P were collected in 5-minute blocks for 20 minutes before and 240 minutes after each rat received a bolus injection (0.25 cm³; dose, 500 mg/ kg) of either 2-dGlc (DG-NMR group, n = 4) or dextrose (DEX-NMR group, n = 4) in sterile water. A third group was not injected (NIC-NMR group, n = 4).

Statistical differences between relative concentrations of metabolite (as determined from peak heights) among groups over time were determined with an analysis of variance for repeated measures; the *t*-test was used to evaluate differences between two specific time blocks (7). In the DG-NMR group, the broad PME resonance rose after the injection, with maximum intensity at 40 minutes (Fig. 2A). A rapid decline then ensued, with the PME peak reaching half-maximum intensity 120 minutes af-

> Fig. 1. Surface-coil ³¹P NMR spectra from a rat treated with 2-dGlc. The normally intense baseline bone phosphate contribution was removed by convolution difference, and resolution-enhancement was carried out (7). In the control (upper) spectrum, resonances are identified as phosphomonoesters (PME, *), inorganic phosphate (P_i), phosphocreatine (PCr), and the γ -, α -, and β-phosphates of adenosine triphosphate (γATP , αATP , and βATP). In the lower spectrum [30 minutes after a bolus injec-



ter the injection and returning to the range of control by 4 hours after the injection (Fig. 2A). The maximum height (40 minutes) was significantly different from that observed before injection (P = 0.0001), at 100 minutes after injection (P = 0.004), and at later times. The values before injection and at 240 minutes (final value) did not differ significantly (P = 0.51) (8). In the DEX-NMR and NIC-NMR groups, the PME resonance showed no systematic changes over time but was significantly different (P < 0.008) from the DG-NMR group at 20 through 80 minutes after injection.

Our finding of maximum concentration of 2-dGlc-6-P by 40 minutes is in agreement with results of others (3) who used tracer amounts of ¹⁴C-labeled 2dGlc in the conscious rat; however, in our experiment, the concentration of 2dGlc-6-P declined more rapidly than predicted by the ¹⁴C tracer method. Although our resolution-enhanced spectra made it possible to distinguish the 2dGlc-6-P resonance from that of the other PME (see Fig. 1), we carried out a separate study to identify 2-dGlc-6-P by its molecular weight and to measure its concentration by means of both gas chromatography (GC) and GC-mass spectroscopy (GC-MS) (Fig. 2B). Rats were treated as for NMR except that a group of four was decapitated at each interval (30, 60, 90, 150, 210, and 270 minutes) after injection of 2-dGlc (plus one group before injection), with collection of the head directly in liquid nitrogen. The cerebral cortex was dissected at -20° C and analyzed as described (8). Data from both NMR and GC studies showed that 2-dGlc-6-P reached its highest concentration in the brain within 30 to 50 minutes after an intravenous bolus injection of 2-dGlc and then declined rapidly. The slope of the NMR disappearance curve for 2-dGlc-6-P indicated a half-life of 90 minutes; the half-life as measured by GC was 122 minutes. Statistical comparison of these slopes showed them not to differ (P = 0.08), one-tailed t-test) (9).

An assumption of the 2-dGlc analog method for measuring glucose metabolism in the brain has been that 2-dGlc-6-P is not metabolized further and remains trapped within cells (4). It has been suggested (10) that the methods would be invalidated by the proof of a hexose phosphatase that could free 2-dGlc from brain tissue (4, 11). Our data directly address this point of controversy from a new perspective. First, the results from both our NMR and GC studies demonstrate that the concentration of 2-dGlc-6-P in the brain is maximum at 30 to 50 minutes after injection, which corresponds to the recommended timing of 14 C tracer experiments (3). Second, the data show a rapid, significant decrease in the concentration of 2-dGlc-6-P, which indicates a mechanism for rapid alteration of large quantities of 2-dGlc-6-P in the brain.

The major question raised by these



Time after injection (hours)

Fig. 2. (A) Phosphorus-31 NMR peak heights for PME (determined in the absence of resolution enhancement) at designated time intervals after an intravenous bolus injection of 2dGlc (500 mg/kg). Four rats were monitored 20 minutes before injection and for 4 hours after injection. Means and standard error of the mean are plotted (7). (B) Gas chromatographic analysis of 2-dGlc-6-P in the cerebral cortex of a rat after an intravenous bolus injection of 2-dGlc (500 mg/kg). Tissue samples were analyzed by means of a phosphorus-specific detector (8). Time points with error bars are groups of four rats. The open circle at 2 hours represents a single animal monitored by NMR (data not shown in Fig. 2A) before it was killed for analysis by GC-MS. Means and standard error of the mean are plotted.

data concerns the mechanism of 2-dGlc-6-P loss. There were negligible changes in the concentrations of P_i, PCr, and ATP in all three NMR groups, and intracellular pH remained stable throughout the experiments (12). For rats analyzed by GC, blood glucose concentrations were measured at each sample point [mean of values: 80 mg/dl (4.4 mM) before injection; 300 mg/dl (16.6 mM) at 2.5 hours after injection (peak); and 120 mg/ dl (6.7 mM) at 4.5 hours after injection (final)]; these concentrations were unlikely to alter glucose utilization constants (13). Cerebral cellular integrity was maintained, as evaluated by light microscopy of thionin-stained sections (14). We thus conclude that removal of 2dGlc-6-P occurs under conditions of physiologic intracellular pH and highenergy phosphate concentrations.

Several mechanisms may take part in the loss of 2-dGlc-6-P. Some could result in 2-dGlc remaining in the cell (11, 15), and others, including dephosphorylation by a hexose phosphatase, could lead to loss of 2-dGlc from the brain (4, 16). Most studies of 2-dGlc metabolism used tracer amounts of ¹⁴C-labeled 2-dGlc, with resultant concentrations of ¹⁴C-labeled 2-dGlc-6-P that were so low that the enzymatic processes responsible for removal of 2-dGlc-6-P in our study may not have been engaged. Therefore, in comparing studies, large differences in the concentration of 2-dGlc-6-P in the brain produced by different methods must be considered. Direct identification of the mechanisms that affect the concentrations of 2-dGlc-6-P in the brain should resolve this issue.

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Sonar Tracking of Horizontally Moving Targets by the

Big Brown Bat *Eptesicus fuscus*

Abstract. When following a moving target, echolocating bats (Eptesicus fuscus) keep their heads aimed at the target's position. This tracking behavior seems not to involve predicting the target's trajectory, but is achieved by the bat's pointing its head at the target's last known position. The bat obtains frequent position updates by emitting sonar signals at a high rate. After the lag between head and target positions and the nonunity tracking gain were corrected for, bats' tracking accuracy in the horizontal plane was $\pm 1.6^{\circ}$.

Most species of echolocating bats are insectivorous and use their sonar system to locate, identify and capture flying insects (1). During pursuit the bat keeps its head aimed at the target as it follows and finally intercepts it. The accuracy of head-aim tracking as measured from stroboscopic photographs of bats maneuvering to catch prev is about $\pm 5^{\circ}$ (2). A bat's capture success depends on knowing the prey's location throughout interception process. Head-aim tracking keeps prey in front of the bat, where angular acoustic resolution is best, on the order of $\pm 1.5^{\circ}$ as measured with stationary targets (3). In addition, keeping prey in the middle of the bv

echolocation sound beam, head tracking functions as one of several gain control mechanisms that reduce variation in the perceived echo strength as the bat closes in on its prey (4).

Bats hunting by sonar do not receive continuous information about target location, but, rather, the echo from each sonar emission provides an acoustic "snapshot" from which the bat updates its current perception of range and position. Through the use of these snapshots, a bat could keep track of prey by two general techniques. It could simply keep its head pointed at the target's last known position (a nonpredictive tracking strategy), or it could attempt to predict the target's trajectory on the basis of the history of target parameters such as position, velocity, and acceleration (a predictive strategy). Since photographic techniques are not sufficiently accurate to distinguish between these two types of

Fig. 1. Apparatus and procedure for studying target tracking by bats. The bat was trained to sit on the platform and keep its head aimed at a target (a black styrofoam ball 3.6 cm in diameter) suspended in space by four nylon monofilament lines (diameter 0.18 mm, and acoustically invisible to the bat) arranged tetragonally to keep the ball from swinging relative to the frame. These lines were attached to a t-shaped frame 1 m below the platform that could be moved by the experimenter to control the ball's position. To monitor the bat's head aim, light from two lightemitting diodes attached to the head was focused by a camera lens 60 cm above the bat onto a position-sensing diode (8). The lens and platform were mounted coaxially with the attachment point on the ceiling and the pivot of the t frame. Two microphones (9) placed slightly in front of and below the platform were used to record the bat's sonar emissions. A detector circuit converted the sounds to pulses, which were recorded on the tape recorder.

