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## Identification of Scavenger Receptor SR-BI as a High Density Lipoprotein Receptor

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High density lipoprotein (HDL) and low density lipoprotein (LDL) are cholesterol transport particles whose plasma concentrations are directly (LDL) and inversely (HDL) correlated with risk for atherosclerosis. LDL catabolism involves cellular uptake and degradation of the entire particle by a well-characterized receptor. HDL, in contrast, selectively delivers its cholesterol, but not protein, to cells by unknown receptors. Here it is shown that the class B scavenger receptor SR-BI is an HDL receptor. SR-BI binds HDL with high affinity, is expressed primarily in liver and nonplacental steroidogenic tissues, and mediates selective cholesterol uptake by a mechanism distinct from the classic LDL receptor pathway.

The risk of developing atherosclerosis, the leading cause of death in Western industrialized countries, is directly related to plasma concentrations of LDL cholesterol and inversely related to concentrations of HDL cholesterol (1, 2). Although receptor-mediated LDL metabolism is well defined (3), HDL metabolism is poorly understood (1, 2, 4). HDL delivers cholesteryl ester to nonplacental steroidogenic tissues (ovary, adrenal gland, and testis) for hormone synthesis (5) and transports cholesterol from extrahepatic tissues to the liver (reverse cholesterol transport) (1, 2, 4). Unlike the situation with LDL, delivery of the cholesterol of HDL to cells is generally not accompanied by degradation of the protein component of HDL; this process is known as selective lipid uptake (6–13). Although numerous ligand-blotting studies revealed a variety of HDL-binding proteins [58 to 140 kD, reviewed in (4)], cell surface receptors for selective lipid uptake have not been identified. Here we provide evidence that the class B scavenger receptor SR-BI (14) is an HDL receptor.

We previously showed that hamster SR-BI (haSR-BI) binds native LDL, chemically modified LDL, and anionic phospholipids (14). To further explore the lipoprotein-binding properties and functions of SR-BI, we cloned the complementary DNA (cDNA) of the murine homolog (mSR-BI) and transfected it into ldlA cells [LDL receptor-negative Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells (15)].  $^{125}I$ -labeled HDL (16) specifically associated with the stable transfectants (ldlA[mSR-BI]) with high affinity (dissociation constant,  $K_d$ , of  $\sim 30 \mu$ g of

protein per milliliter) and saturability (Fig. 1A). Control (untransfected) ldlA cells exhibited substantially less  $^{125}I$ -HDL association. Association reached a steady state in less than 1 hour (Fig. 1B) and was not affected by EDTA [1 to 10 mM (17)] or by the removal of the trace amounts of apolipoprotein E (apoE) present in the HDL (16, 17). There was little effect of excess native LDL on  $^{125}I$ -HDL association (17); thus, LDL in vivo would not be expected to significantly interfere with binding of HDL to mSR-BI. The  $^{125}I$ -labeled protein components of HDL (apoAI and apoAII) were not degraded [Fig. 1C and (17)], which is in marked contrast to the lysosomal degradation of the protein component of LDL (apoB) after endocytosis via the LDL receptor (3).

We next compared the fates of the protein (labeled with  $^{125}I$ ) and lipid [labeled with  $^3H$ ]cholesteryl oleate or DiI (a fluorescent lipid) (16) components of HDL in mSR-BI-transfected cells. The amount of cell-associated  $^{125}I$ -HDL reached a steady state in less than 1 hour at 37°C with less than 0.5% of the total label bound to the transfected cells (Fig. 2A). In contrast, transfer of  $^3H$ ]cholesteryl oleate and DiI increased continuously, reaching  $\sim 18\%$  of the total labeled HDL lipids after 5 hours of incubation at 37°C. DiI accumulation was saturable (17). Untransfected cells displayed little lipid or protein association (Fig. 2B). Thus, there was selective transfer of the lipid, but not the protein, components of HDL to cells expressing mSR-BI. Essentially identical results were observed with COS cells transiently transfected (14) with either the mSR-BI vector or a control vector (pcDNA1, no insert) and incubated with HDL labeled with  $^3H$ ]cholesteryl ether or  $^{125}I$  [10  $\mu$ g of HDL protein per milliliter (16)]. After 5 hours, there was 18% lipid and 0.3% protein association in cells expressing mSR-BI and very little of either label associated with the controls.

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Similar selective transfer of HDL lipid has been reported for cultured cells (6–9, 19), perfused organs (10), and liver, adrenal gland, and ovary in vivo (11, 12).

To establish that the transfer of [<sup>3</sup>H]cholesteryl ester from labeled HDL to cells reflected net transfer and not simply exchange, we compared the cholesterol contents of the cells after incubation with or without unlabeled HDL (20 μg of protein per milliliter for 5 hours) (18). In the presence of HDL, total cellular cholesterol increased by 20% (4.6 μg of free plus esterified cholesterol per milligram of cell protein) in mSR-BI-transfected cells. This corresponded to transfer of ~21% of the HDL cholesterol added to the incubation medium (16) and was comparable with results for the lipid-labeled HDL (Fig. 2A). In contrast, there was no significant HDL-dependent increase in the cholesterol content of untransfected cells (<0.2 μg of total cholesterol per milligram of cell protein). Thus, net transfer of HDL cholesteryl ester mediated by mSR-BI was quantitatively similar to that reported for a murine adrenal

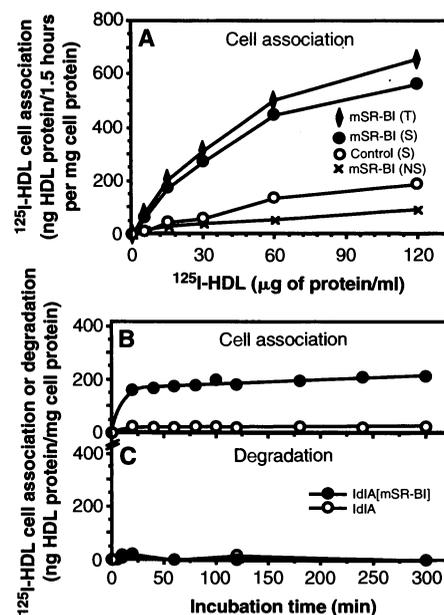
cell line (9). In addition, these results indicate that the fluorescent or radiolabeled lipids in HDL can be reliable reporters for total cholesterol transfer.

To examine the cellular pathway of selective lipid delivery mediated by mSR-BI, we compared the distribution of fluorescent lipid (DiI) delivered by the classic LDL receptor pathway with that of the mSR-BI pathway. A 1-hour incubation of LDL receptor-positive wild-type CHO cells with DiI-labeled LDL produced a receptor-dependent punctate pattern (Fig. 3A) that typifies receptor-mediated endocytosis from coated pits and vesicles to endosomes and lysosomes (3, 20, 21). DiI-HDL labeling of IdIA[mSR-BI] cells (Fig. 3B) produced a dramatically different pattern: There was diffuse staining over the entire cell surface (22), particularly at cell-cell interfaces, and even after 24 hours of incubation no punctate staining was seen (17). There also appeared to be accumulation of fluorescent lipid adjacent to the nucleus within the cells. Cultured

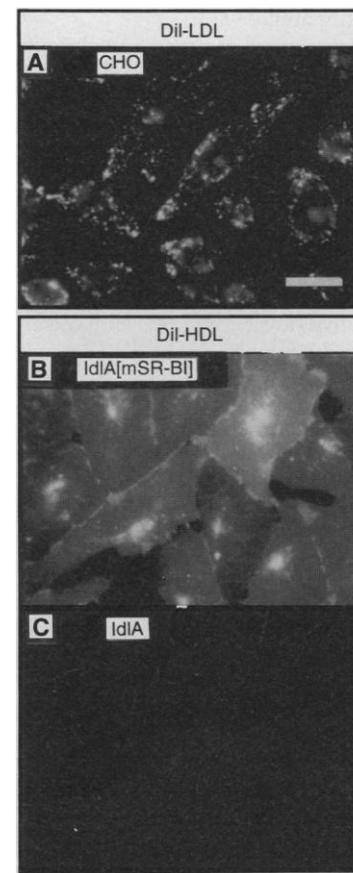
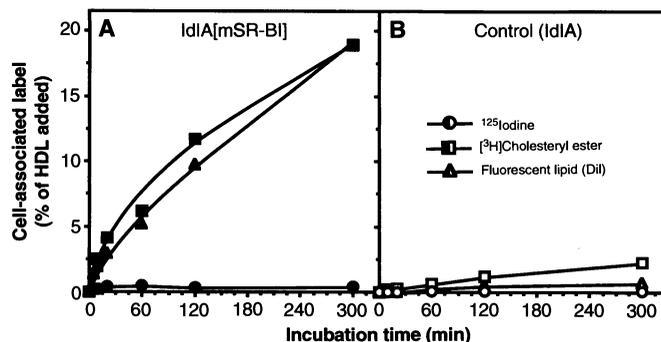
human hepatocytes stained by DiI-LDL and DiI-HDL show similar patterns to those in Fig. 3 (19). Untransfected IdIA cells did not accumulate significant amounts of dye from DiI-HDL (Fig. 3C).

It is important to note that the initial distribution (≤1 hour) and the subsequent sites of accumulation of DiI, a positively charged lipid, may differ from that of cholesteryl ester, a neutral lipid. Indeed, after a 48-hour incubation with unlabeled HDL, neutral lipids (oil red O-positive) accumulated in transfected cells in small, well-defined cytoplasmic particles (17). Similarly, Reaven and colleagues (23) observed trans-

**Fig. 1.** Murine SR-BI mediates cell association (A and B) but not degradation (C) of <sup>125</sup>I-HDL. In (A) IdIA[mSR-BI] (solid symbols) and IdIA (open circles) cells were incubated for 1.5 hours at 37°C with the indicated amounts of <sup>125</sup>I-HDL, and cell-associated radioactivity (nanograms of <sup>125</sup>I-HDL protein per 1.5 hours per milligram of cell protein) was measured (26). The specific values [(S) open and solid circles] represent the differences between the total [(T) diamonds, IdIA[mSR-BI]] and nonspecific (NS) (40-fold excess of unlabeled HDL, crosses, IdIA[mSR-BI]) values. In (B) and (C) IdIA[mSR-BI] and IdIA cells were incubated for the indicated times with 20 (B) or 10 (C) μg of <sup>125</sup>I-HDL protein per milliliter at 37°C, and specific cell association (B) and specific cellular degradation (C) (nanograms of <sup>125</sup>I-HDL protein degraded per milligram of cell protein) were determined (27).

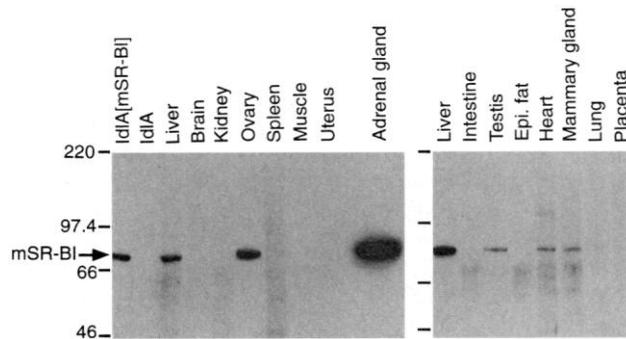


**Fig. 2.** Kinetics of selective uptake of HDL lipid by mSR-BI-transfected (A) and control, untransfected (B) cells. Cells (26) were incubated at 37°C with <sup>125</sup>I-HDL (10 μg of protein per milliliter), [<sup>3</sup>H]cholesteryl oleate-labeled HDL (2.2 μg of cholesteryl ester per milliliter; ~8.8 μg of protein per milliliter), or DiI-labeled HDL (10 μg of protein per milliliter) (16), and cell-associated label was quantified (26). The specific values shown are expressed as the percent of total label added to the wells. The results in (A) (steady state of ~200 ng of <sup>125</sup>I-HDL protein per milligram of cell protein at 10 μg of <sup>125</sup>I-HDL protein per milliliter in less than 1 hour) are similar to those in Fig. 1B.



**Fig. 3.** Cellular distribution of fluorescent lipid (DiI) delivered to cells from DiI-LDL or DiI-HDL. On day 0, LDL receptor-positive wild-type CHO (A), IdIA[mSR-BI] (B), and receptor-negative IdIA (C) cells were plated in medium A-FBS (26) on cover slips coated with poly-D-lysine (molecular weight >300,000; Sigma). On day 1, the monolayers were re-fed with medium A containing 5% newborn calf lipoprotein-deficient serum. On day 3 the subconfluent cells were re-fed with the same medium containing either (A) DiI-LDL (10 μg of protein per milliliter) or [(B) and (C)] DiI-HDL (1 μg of protein per milliliter) and incubated for 1 hour at 37°C. The cover slips were then washed once with phosphate-buffered saline, and the cells were photographed with a fluorescence microscope with a rhodamine filter package. There was essentially no labeling by DiI-LDL of LDL receptor-negative IdIA cells (17). Scale bar = 25 μm.

**Fig. 4.** Immunoblot analysis of the tissue distribution of mSR-BI. Extracts from the indicated cells and tissue membranes (postnuclear 100,000g membrane pellets) were reduced and analyzed by gel electrophoresis (50  $\mu$ g of protein per lane) and immunoblotting with antibody to mSR-BI peptide (rabbit immunoglobulin G fraction, 1:5000 dilution) (24, 28). Ponceau S staining was used to control for loading and transfer efficiency (17). Epi., epididymal. Molecular sizes are indicated on the left in kilodaltons.



fer of a fluorescent cholesteryl ester derivative from HDL to cytoplasmic fat droplets in ovarian granulosa cells.

Taken together, these results indicate that the pathway by which mSR-BI mediates lipid transfer from HDL is distinct from the classic LDL receptor-mediated endocytic pathway and appears to involve initial transfer to the plasma membrane, as was previously proposed for selective HDL lipid uptake (7, 9, 12).

To determine the size of mSR-BI and its tissue distribution, we prepared a rabbit polyclonal antibody (24) and used it for immunoblot analysis (Fig. 4). This antibody specifically recognized mSR-BI, an ~82-kD protein in transfected, but not untransfected, cells (25). The mSR-BI was highly expressed in membranes from murine liver, ovary, and adrenal gland. Significantly less mSR-BI protein was detected in testis, in mammary gland, and occasionally in heart, and there was little expression in the other tissues examined (Fig. 4) (24). In earlier Northern (RNA) blotting studies (14) we observed that adipose tissue and cultured cells (3T3-L1) contain relatively high amounts of mSR-BI message. Nevertheless, in the present study these cells contained little immunoreactive mSR-BI protein [Fig. 4 and (17)], which raised the possibility that there may be posttranscriptional regulation of mSR-BI expression. The adrenal gland and ovary have the highest amounts of mSR-BI mRNA (17) and immunoreactive protein. Thus, mSR-BI is expressed most abundantly in those tissues that exhibit selective HDL lipid uptake *in vivo* (11).

Because mSR-BI binds HDL, mediates selective lipid transfer from HDL to cells, and is expressed most abundantly in liver and nonplacental steroidogenic tissues, it displays all the characteristics of a physiologically relevant HDL receptor. Additional molecular, physiological, and genetic studies of the function of mSR-BI should help to further our understanding of the mechanism by which HDL serves as a source of substrate for steroidogenesis and of the role of HDL in reverse cholesterol transport and protection against atherosclerosis.

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