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CHARACTERIZATION OF OSTEOCLAST PROGENITORS IN PATIENTS WITH RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

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Rheumatoid arthritis



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Enrolled patients

	Control Group	Rheumatoid Arthritis
Sample No & Type	100 (peripheral blood)	106 (106 peripheral blood, 9 synovial fluid)
Age (years)	62.38±14.72	65.83±11.84
Male/female	12/88	10/96
DAS28	-	5.76±1.45
SE (mm/h)	-	33.44±23.99
CRP (mg/L)	-	19.00±22.40
RF (IU/L, n=58)	-	84.75 [13.9-264.37]
aCCP (EU/L, n=33)	-	68.7 [1.85-281.5]

Osteoclast progenitor phenotype

Table 2 Surface marker expression profile of human osteoclast progenitor populations

Osteoclast progenitor phenotype	Source ^a
$CD14^+; CD11b^+; \text{ or } CD61^+$	PBL
CD3 ⁻ CD19 ⁻ CD56 ⁻ CD14 ⁺ CD11b ⁺	PBL
$\underline{\text{CD14}^{+}\text{CD11b}^{+}}(\text{int}\beta1^{+}\text{int}\beta2^{+}\text{int}\beta3^{-})$	PBL
$\underline{CD14^{hi}CD11b}^{+}CD51/61^{+}CD16^{+}$	PBL (MM)
CD14 ⁺ RANK ^{hi} CD45 ⁺ CD14 ⁺ CD51/61 ⁺ CD115 ⁺ RANK ⁺ CD14 ⁺ CD16 ⁻ (CD33 ^{hi})CD115 ^{lo}	PBL, BM GCT PBL, SYN (RA)
CD16 ⁺ (gp-39): CD3 ⁻ CD4 ⁻ CD8 ⁻ CD20 ⁻ CD56 ⁻ CD33 ¹⁰ MHCII ¹⁰ CD14 ¹⁰	PBL, SYN (RA)
CD3 ⁻ CD19 ⁻ CD14 ⁺ CD16 ⁺ DC-STAMP ⁺	PBL (PsA)
CD14 ⁺ (MHCII ⁺)CD16 ⁺	PBL (PsA)

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Frequency and phenotype of OCPs



Similar frequency of OCPs in the PBMC



(n=90 RA, 100 CTRL)

Subpopulation similarly expresses crucial receptors for OC differentiation



Similar osteoclastogenic potential of OCPs



RA





control

207 (92-514) p = 0.7970 320 (77-481)

number of osteoclasts per well [median (IQR)]

(n=20 RA, 25 CTRL)

Regulation of osteoclast progenitor trafficking



Osteoclast progenitors express chemokine receptors



Increased chemokine concentrations and an indication of a blood-joint gradient



Chemokine gene expression in PBMC





Association of population frequencies with clinical parameters and chemokine levels



Osteoclastogenic effect of chemokines





Osteoclast progenitor migration assay



Peripheral blood OCPs exhibit chemotaxis



Conclusions

- OCPs , found among the CD3–CD19–CD56–CD11b+CD14+ subpopulation of peripheral blood mononuclear cells, express crucial receptors for OC differentiation and are able to differentiate into mature OCs *in vitro* – with similar phenotype and differentiation potential in RA and control samples
- human peripheral blood OCPs express CCR1, CCR2, CCR4 and CXCR4, and at similar levels in in RA and control samples
- CCL2, CCL3, CCL4, CCL5, CXCL9 and CXCL10 serum levels were significantly higher in RA, while CCL4 and CXCL10 levels in synovial fluid were significantly higher compared to serum
- CCL2, CCL5 and CXCL10 exhibit a marked osteoclastogenic effect
- OCPs exhibit strong chemotaxis towards CCL5
- elevated chemokine concentrations, a possible blood-joint/bone chemokine gradient in RA and chemotactic ability of peripheral blood OCPs suggest a possible mechanism of OCP migration to affected joints

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