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OCR Index As A Rapid Potency Metric of Isolated Islets of Langerhans By Chris Fraker University of Miami School of Medicine

OBS: How it works



An oxygen sensitive Ruthenium-based fluorophore is adsorbed to silica particles and embedded in *t*²silicone rubber matrix

Diffusion from air into well and media

• Consumption by cells

• Diffusion across matrix

• O_2 - quenched Ru(DPP)₃Cl₂





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METHODS:

Oxygen concentration is calculated using modified equations of Stern-Volmer Theory



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Model Stern-Volmer Behavior



METHODS: Oxygen concentration is calculated using







- • I_0 / I_A is the dynamic range of the plate fluorescence signal, DR
- K $_{\rm sv}$ is the Stern Volmer constant defined as (DR-1)/ [O 2] $_{\rm A}$
- Fluorescence values for each well were normalized (by division) to their initial value and then to the average value of no-cell controls at each time point (NRF)
- Ratio of DR/NRF = I $_0$ / I_{NRF}
- DR/NRF = 1 + K _{sv} * [O 2]_{NRF}
- •So, NRF = DR/ (1 + K _{SV} * [O 2]_{NRF})
- Fluorescence values so-normalized were used to compute oxygen concentrations per Equation [1].

$$\begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ DR & 1 \\ [O2]_{NRF} = ---- & x ---- \\ NRF-1 & K_{sv} \end{bmatrix}$$
[1]

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Transient State dO₂ Slope and Equilibrium OCR Calculations



Short-term (< ~1 hr)

- Quantitate based on rate of change of signal
- Transient dO₂ Slope ~ Slope of 1-1/NRF vs. time
- Ideal for Islets

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Steady State

- Quantitated based on equilibrium OBS signal
- \rightarrow OCR = D S L $\Delta p / h$
- OCR ~ Actual 1-1/NRF ~ DdO₂
- Additional comparitive metric of islet potency. "True OCR"
- Time to equilibrium depends on volume of medium used.

 $T = h^2/D$

D = 3.3 x 10-5 cm²/s S = 0.31 cm2 for a 96-well plate h = 0.65 cm for 200 μL L = 6.0 x 107 L/cm3 * fmol/μmol * s/min Δp= in μM.

METHODS: Triplicate wells of IEQs in Low (2.2mM) and High (22mM)Glucose Supplemented Krebs Buffer









Islets Low glucose Islets High glucose Media CNT Sulfite CNT

Measure fluorescence change for 200
cycles 5 minute intervals

 Calculate transient state¹⁶dO2 and equilibrium OCR and normalize for DNA content.



Index = Mean High glucose values/ Mean Low glucose values



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Equilibrium Index: 1.56

Transient period dO2 slope and Equilibrium OCR scale kinetically with cell number



dO₂ and Equilibrium OCR Scale Linearly with IEQ



Both metrics of OCR scale with IEQ and each other



Diabetic Mouse Model for Potency





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- Chemically Induced Diabetic Mice
- Islets Transplanted into Kidney Capsule
- Recipients chosen based on body weight and blood glucose profile similarities.
- •2000 IEQ per mouse
- Monitor blood g^{t11}cose daily
- Cure is defined as two consecutive days
- < 200 mg/dl fasting blood glucose

• Days to cure used as comparative measure ¹¹² potency.

OCR/DNA shows some correlation to reversal...



...but OCR Index is much more predictive



Kaplan-Meier type survival analysis.



• P-values calculated using a log-rank test. P < .00001

•Top curve "cure" curve for mice with ratios > 1.27

•Bottom curve, mice with ratios < 1.27.

• Dashed lines 95% confidence intervals for the fraction cured.





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In 31 human islet preparations analyzed, statistical analysis bears out that index is by far the best predictor





Days to Cure



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