中文題目:剔除內皮細胞特異性雌激素受體  $\alpha$  信號加重惡化血管重構反應 英文題目: Endothelial-specific ablation of ER alpha rapid signaling revealed exacerbated vascular remodeling response

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**Background:** Estrogen exerts complex physiological effects via its rapid (non-genomic) and genomic actions. In particular, rapid signaling of estrogen receptor alpha (ER $\alpha$ ) has been implicated in the vasculo-protective effects, in which both endothelial and smooth muscle cells might be involved. However, no prior studies have determined the role of ER $\alpha$  rapid signaling in the endothelium. This study aims to clarify the impact of ER $\alpha$  rapid signaling in the vasculo-protection, using a novel mouse model lacking endotheilal-specific ER $\alpha$  rapid signaling.

*Method:* GST-fusion p85 $\alpha$  plasmids were synthesized using PCR. ER $\alpha$  cDNA was subcloned and mutation was introduced using QuikChange II XL Site-Directed Mutagenesis Kits (Agilent Technologies). COS7 cells were purchased from American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, Manassas, VA).

**Results:** We identify a double point mutant ERα with defective ERα non-genomic signaling mediated by p85α subunit of phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase. In immunoblotting, p85α and p-GSK3β, non-genomic pathway downstream signals, were reduced in ERα mutants RR259/260AA with estradiol (E2) stimulation. ERE-luciferase assay demonstrated E2 induced genomic pathway activity was preserved. By crossing Tie2-Cre transgenic mice with floxed ERα mutants (RR259/260 AA), a novel mouse model in which rapid signaling of ERα was ablated in the endothelium was generated. In endothelial cells isolated from ERα<sup>KI/KI</sup>Tie2<sup>cre/+</sup> animals, E2 failed to induce phosphorylation of Erk, Elastica van Gieson staining 2 weeks after WI revealed that wall thickness, and area of medial layer, composed mainly of smooth muscle cells were significantly increased in ERα<sup>KI/KI</sup>Tie2<sup>cre/+</sup> mouse, as compared to wild types. Masson's Trichrome staining showed that fibrosis was significantly increased in ERα<sup>KI/KI</sup>Tie2<sup>cre/+</sup> mouse

**Conclusions**: Our results demonstrate that the rapid signaling of  $ER\alpha$  in the endothelium critically regulates vascular smooth muscle cell growth after vascular injury, suggesting its essential role to vascular remodeling.