



## 3-Nitrotyrosine Used as Biomarker for The Vasculopathy.

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### Introduction

The endothelial dysfunction of Fabry disease results from  $\alpha$ -galactosidase A deficiency resulting in the buildup of globotriaosylceramide. Vasculopathy within the  $\alpha$ -galactosidase A null mouse is manifested as oxidant-induced thrombosis, accelerated atherogenesis, and impaired arterial reactivity. To understand the pathogenesis of Fabry disease in humans, we generated a person's cell model by using RNA interference. Hybrid endothelial cells were transiently transfected with small interfering RNA (siRNA) specifically directed against  $\alpha$ -galactosidase A. Endothelial gas synthase (eNOS) activity was correspondingly decreased by >60%. Levels of 3-nitrotyrosine (3NT), a selected marker for reactive nitrogen species and quantified using mass spectrometry, increased by 40- to 120-fold without corresponding changes in other oxidized amino acids, according to eNOS-derived reactive nitrogen species because the source of the reactive oxygen species. eNOS uncoupling was confirmed by the observed increase in free plasma and protein-bound aortic 3NT levels within the  $\alpha$ -galactosidase A knockout mice. Thus, 3NT may function as a biomarker for the vascular involvement in Fabry disease. Although this mouse doesn't exhibit a spontaneous vascular phenotype, several inducible models of vascular disease are reported.

These include oxidant-induced thrombosis,<sup>2</sup> accelerated atherogenesis,<sup>3</sup> and impaired vasorelaxation.<sup>4</sup> A standard mechanism that would potentially link these experimentally observed abnormalities is endothelial gas synthase (eNOS) dysfunction.<sup>5</sup> eNOS dysfunction may end in either decreased gas (NO) bioavailability or enzyme uncoupling, which generates a potent oxidant, peroxynitrite, a reactive nitrogen species.<sup>6,7</sup> The connection between GLA and eNOS was explored by determining whether these changes might be recapitulated during a human endothelial cell line. We report that when the Gb3 content of EA.hy926 cells is increased with GLA knockdown, there's an associated uncoupling of eNOS with the formation of 3-nitrotyrosine (3NT), a selected marker for reactive nitrogen species. The eNOS dysfunction was specifically related to the loss of GLA activity therein; comparable changes weren't observed with  $\beta$ -glucocerebrosidase (GBA) knockdown. High circulating levels of 3NT were measured within the plasma and aortic extracts of GLA knockout mice. Finally, the concentrations of protein-bound oxidized amino acids were measured in plasma samples from classic FD patients and compared with age- and gender-matched controls. A quite fivefold elevation in 3NT was observed within the FD samples compared with controls, raising the likelihood that 3NT represents a useful biomarker for vasculopathy in FD.

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