SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

PET Tracer ¹⁸F-Fluciclovine Can Detect Histologically Proven Bone Metastatic Lesions: A Preclinical Study in Rat Osteolytic and Osteoblastic Bone Metastasis Models

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MATERIALS AND METHODS

Gene expression analyses

RNA isolation from cultured cells

Total RNA was isolated from cultured AT6.1 and MRMT-1 cells using RNeasy Mini Kit (catalog number: 74104; QIAGEN, Tokyo, Japan) and QIAshredder (catalog number: 79656; QIAGEN), based on the manufacturer's protocol. The concentration of total RNA was calculated from the 260-nm absorbance, as measured by the NanoDrop 2000 spectrophotometer (ThermoFisher Scientific, Kanagawa, Japan).

Reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction

One microgram of extracted total RNA was reverse-transcribed using Transcriptor First Strand cDNA Synthesis Kit (catalog number: 04379012001; Roche Diagnostics, Tokyo, Japan), based on the manufacturer's protocol. The primers (see Supplementary Table S1) were synthesized by Nihon Gene Research Laboratories. Reverse transcription-PCR (RT-PCR) was performed using Mx3000P QPCR system (Agilent Technologies Japan, Tokyo, Japan) and FastStart Universal SYBR Green Master (Rox) (catalog number: 04913922001; Roche Diagnostics) with the following thermal cycles: 1 cycle for enzyme activation (95°C, 10 min), and appropriate cycles (exponential phase of PCR for all genes) for the osteoblastic-related genes (Supplementary Table S1) or 24 cycles (exponential phase of PCR for ASCT1, ASCT2, LAT1, and 4F2hc) for amino acid transporter (AAT)-related genes for denaturing and extension (95°C for 15 seconds and then 60°C for 30 seconds). The PCR products and 20 bp DNA ladder (catalog number: 3409A/B; Takara Bio, Shiga, Japan) were electrophoresed at 100 V for 80 minutes on ice by 3% agarose gel containing Tris-borate-EDTA buffer (TBE buffer; 89 mM Tris, 89 mM borate, and 1 mM EDTA) using Mupid-2plus (Mupid, Tokyo, Japan). The gel was then incubated with 1 µg/mL ethidium bromide in TBE buffer for 30 minutes, after washing the gel twice with TBE buffer for 5 minutes. The bands of the PCR products were detected using Gel Doc EZ system (Bio-Rad, Tokyo, Japan).

Table S1. The primer sets, product sizes, and cycle numbers for the reverse transcription-PCR of the osteoblastic-related genes and the amino acid transporter-related genes.

Gene	Accession No.	Forward (5'-3')	Reverse (5'-3')	Product size (bp)	Cycle number
Osteoblastic-related genes					
GAPDH	NM_017008.3	TGGGAAGCTGGTCATCAAC	GCATCACCCCATTTGATGTT	78	28
ALP	NM_013059.1	GCACAACATCAAGGACATCG	TCAGTTCTGTTCTTGGGGTACAT	72	41
BSP	NM_012587.2	AGCATGCCTACTTTTATCCTCCT	CTCCGAACTATCGCCATCTC	92	38
OC	NM_013414.1	CTACCTCAACAATGGACTTGGA	GAGCTCACACACCTCCCTGT	76	39
RUNX2	NM_053470.2	CCGTGTCAGCAAAACTTCTTT	CTCACGTCGCTCATCTTGC	95	38
Coll	NM_053304.1	ATGTTCAGCTTTGTGGACCTC	GCAGCTGACTTCAGGGATGT	93	32
Keratin	NM_053976.1	AAGCTTGAGGCGGAGATTG	TCTGGACAGTTTGCATGGAG	106	41
Amino acid transporter-related	l genes				
ASCT1	NM_198763.1	AACCAGTTACACAGTGGTCGTC	CAGTGACGACGGGGGATCT	74	24
ASCT2	NM_175758.3	TTCCCCTCCAATCTGGTGT	CTCTGTGGACAGGCACCAC	65	24
LAT1	NM_017353.1	ATGTGGCTCCGCTTTAAGAA	GGAGGGCCAGATTCACCT	61	24
LAT2	NM_053442.1	TCCTATGTCAAGGACATCTTCG	CACCAGCACAGCAATCCATA	66	40
LAT3	NM_001107742.1	TCACATTTCCTGGAATCAAGC	CCAGACCACGTGAACATGA	73	38
LAT4	NM_001105812.1	GTCGGAGGGCTTTTACTCCT	CTCGACTGTGCCGTTAGTGA	64	30
4F2hc	NM_019283.1	CAGCTATGGGGGATGAGCTTG	TCATTCCACAGCATGAATGG	81	24

ALP, alkaline phosphatase; ASCT, alanine-serine-cysteine transporter; BSP, bone sialoprotein (i.e., osteopontin); Col1: collagen-1; GAPDH: glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase; Keratin, cytokeratin-18; LAT, L-type amino acid transporter; OC, osteocalcin; RUNX2, runt-related transcription factor 2.

RESULTS

Gene expression analyses



Figure S1. Electrophoresis of the RT-PCR products of AAT-related genes in MRMT-1 and AT6.1. (A) The MRMT-1 and AT6.1 cells expressed systems ASC (ASCT1, ASCT2) and L (LAT1, LAT2, LAT3, LAT4), and 4F2hc, which forms heterodimer with LAT1 and LAT2 in 24 cycles (exponential phase of PCR for these AAT genes) of a set of denaturing and extension in RT-PCR. (B) If the cycles were set for appropriate cycles for LAT2 (40 cycles), LAT3 (38 cycles), and LAT4 (30 cycles), then LAT2–4 in MRMT-1 and system L AAT, except LAT2 in AT6.1, were detected. ASCT, alanine-serine-cysteine transporter; 4F2hc, 4F2 heavy chain; GAPDH: glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase; LAT, L-type amino acid transporter; RT-PCR, reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction.



Figure S2 Electrophoresis of the RT-PCR products of osteoblastic-related genes in MRMT-1 and AT6.1. (A) The AT6.1 cells, but not MRMT-1 cells, expressed all osteoblastic-related genes we tested. (B) If the cycles were set for 50 cycles for all genes (i.e., saturation phase), BSP and OC, but not ALP, were detected in MRMT-1. ALP, alkaline phosphatase; BSP, bone sialoprotein (i.e., osteopontin); Col1, collagen type 1; GAPDH: glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase; Keratin, cytokeratin-18; OC, osteocalcin; RUNX2, runt-related transcription factor 2.