ER-stress in the pathogenesis of autoimmune diabetes



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The sensory systems of endoplasmic reticulum (ER) stress



Overview of IRE1 α pathway



Adaptive vs Terminal UPR (homeostasis vs. cell death)



Activation of the IRE1 pathway in NOD mice precedes hyperglycemia



Imatinib attenuates ER-stress in the islets of diabetic NOD mice



- *; <0.05, **; <0.001, vs. Imatinib treated group (n=3-5)
- Imatinib; 100mg/kg/day, p.o. ٠



Imatinib inhibits experimentally-induced ER-stress in INS1 β-cells in NOD islets



Imatinib inhibits ER-stress-mediated apoptosis and impairment of insulin secretion.



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How does this assay work again?

Overexpression of c-abl in INS-1 cells induces TXNIP expression.





- c-Kit



Thapsigargin-dependent induction of TXNIP is c-abl dependent.

Mouse embryonic fibroblasts (MEFs).





Tg for 24h

Tg for 6h

Induction of c-abl in NOD islets is dependent on inflammation.



C-abl⁺ islets cells express GLUT-2



c-abl



c-abl/glut2





A potential c-abl and IRE1 α complex that promotes activation of IRE1 α .



Working Model



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Evidence for the IRE1 α sensing of ER stress in the immune system.

Plasma cell differentiation and the unfolded protein response intersect at the transcription factor XBP-I

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The unfolded protein response sensor IRE1α is required at 2 distinct steps in B cell lymphopoiesis

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The transcription factor XBP-1 is essential for the development and survival of dendritic cells

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microRNA-17–92 Regulates IL-10 Production by Regulatory T Cells and Control of Experimental Autoimmune Encephalomyelitis

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TXNIP is expressed by multiple cell types in NOD islets.

New onset diabetic

DAPI/GLUT-2/Insulin/TXNIP



Insulin/TXNIP



Pathways regulating TXNIP



ER stress-induced apoptosis is c-Abl dependent



Done in MEFs

STF reduces c-Abl-induced TXNIP expression







DOX, STF for 72h

