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Absence of thrombotic events in the Gastric signet-ring cell adenocarcinoma patients with high expression of heparanase

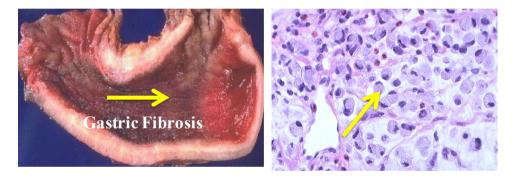
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Gastric Cancer

- Fifth most common cancer (significant global health problem) 1.
- Gastric cancer in Europe and USA is decreased 2.
- BUT some specific form of gastric cancer, named Signet ring cell adenocarcinoma (SRCA) : INCREASE



- 29% of patients with gastric cancer had a SIGNET RING CELL type tumor histology 4.
- Radical multimodality treatments: Titanium silicate (TS)-1, 5 Fluorouracil, Cisplatin
- Survival rate of patient undergoing only curative surgery is low 5.

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Aim of Work

Objectives

• Co-relation between level of heparanase expression and incidence of venous thromboembolism (VTE) in SRCA patients

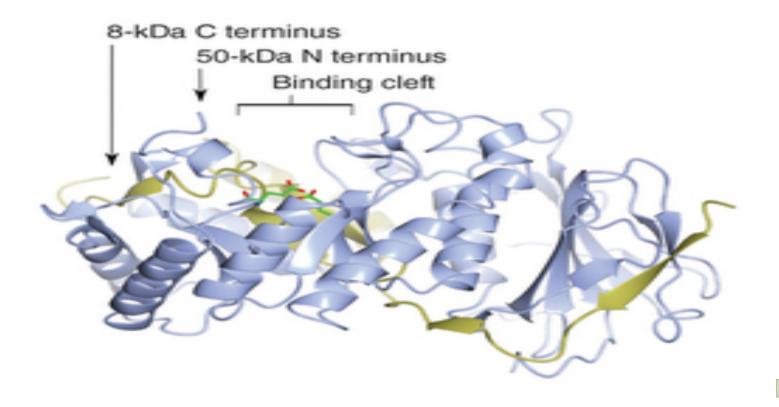


What is Heparanase?

• **Enzyme**: Endo-β-D-glucuronidase

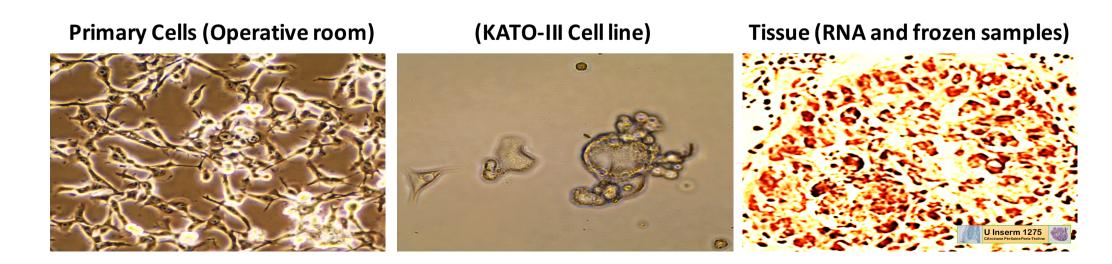
Cleavage heparin sulfate (HS) chain of HSPGs of extracellular matrix and cell surface at pH 5.5

- Synthesis as an **Inactive form** 65 kDa precursor.
- Active form: 2 in units of 8 and 50 kDa



Materials

- Human cancer cell lines used were: Ovarian (OVCAR-3 and SKOV-3), breast (MDA-MB231 and MCF7), gastric (AGS, KATO-III), intestinal (LS174T), lung (A549), leukemia (K562), cervical (HELA) and human microvascular endothelial (HMEC-1) were obtained from American Type Culture Collection (ATCC, Manassas, VA).
- Tumor and corresponding normal gastric tissue specimens (SRCA tumoral, SRCA peri-tumoral, Non-SRCA tumoral and Non-SRCA peri-tumoral) were obtained from 21 patients and Ascites fluids from 14 cancer patients from General and Digestive Tract Surgery Department at Lariboisière Hospital in Paris (France).
- Drugs used in this study were: Suramin (Sigma Chemical Co, St. Louis, MO, USA)
- Human Phospho-Kinase Array (R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN 55413 USA)
- HepAnalyze[™] Heparanase ELISA Kit (InSight Biopharmaceuticals Ltd. Rehovot, Israel)
- Rabbit Anti-Heparanase Polyclonal Antibody, FITC Conjugated (Bioss 03103 Montlucon Cedex -France)



Methods used in this Project

Ficol Protocol ——>to isolate mononuclear cells from ascitic fluid of cancer patient

Cell Culture \longrightarrow to maintain live cell lines (KATO-III)

Tissues / (Primary Cells) → Gastric linitis

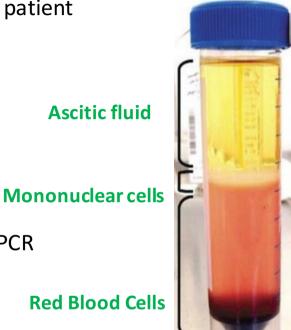
PCR → to investigate Gene Expression

Cells/Tissue \longrightarrow RNA isolation \longrightarrow Reverse Transcriptase (cDNA) \longrightarrow PCR

- RT-PCR (Determination of length)
- q-PCR (Determination of quantity)
- **ELISA** \longrightarrow for the quantitative determination of proteins

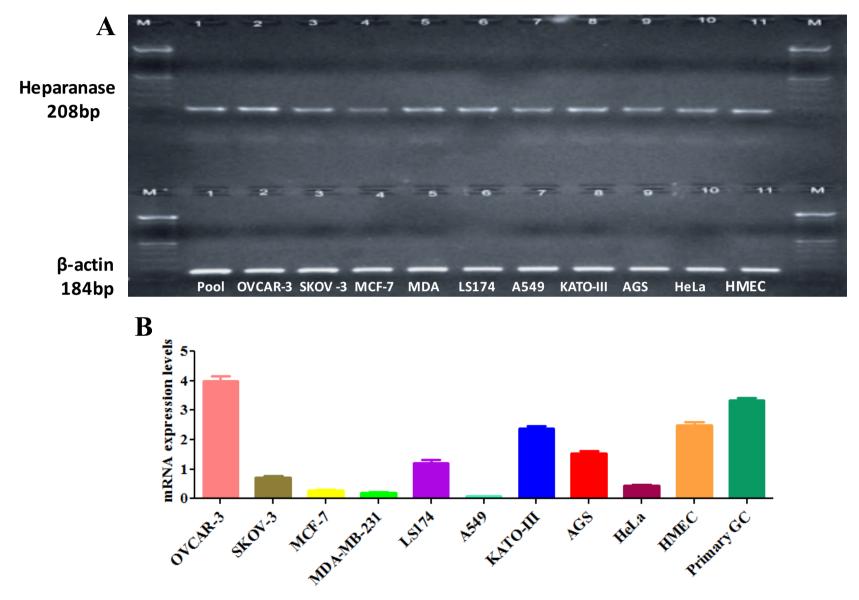
Immunofluorescence \longrightarrow to visualize the localization of heparanase proteins

Phosphokinase array \longrightarrow to observe changes in phosphorylation profiles of various kinases



Ficol Protocol

Tumor cell lines express Heparanase in vitro by RT-PCR and qPCR



A-Demonstration of the presence of heparanase in the cell lines by RT-qPCR
B-Quantitative analysis of heparanase RNA in tumor cell lines

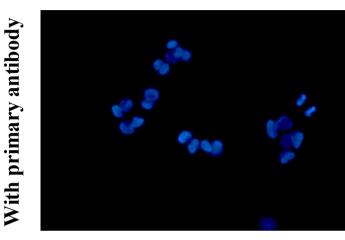


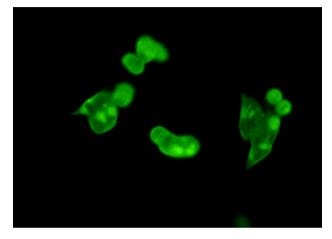
Immunofluorescence of KATO-III cell line

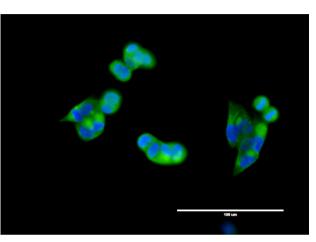
DAPI

Staining of Heparanase

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40x (Control) No primary antibody

Result-2

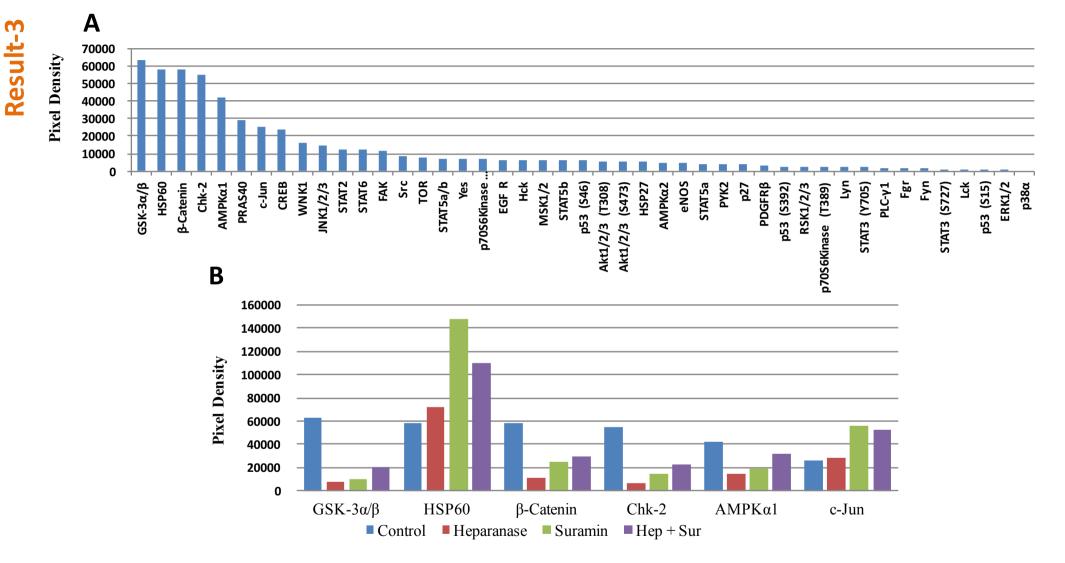
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□ High expression of heparanase protein found in KATO-III cell line



Phospho-Kinase Array of KATO-III treated with Heparanase/Suramin



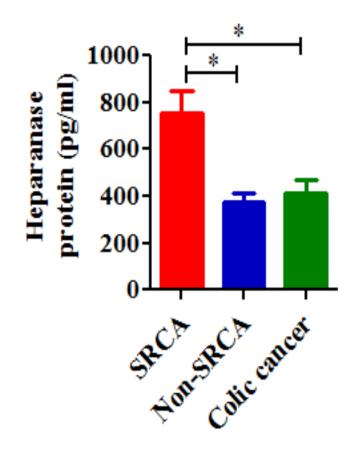
A-45 different kinases in normal KATO-III Cell line

B- 6 different kinases of KATO-III treated with heparanase (0.2µg/ml) or suramin (200µM) or both for 5 hours in comparison to control

□ Suramin has not any antagonist effect in phosphorylation pathway induced by heparanase.



Heparanase Expression in ascitic fluid of different cancer patients by ELISA



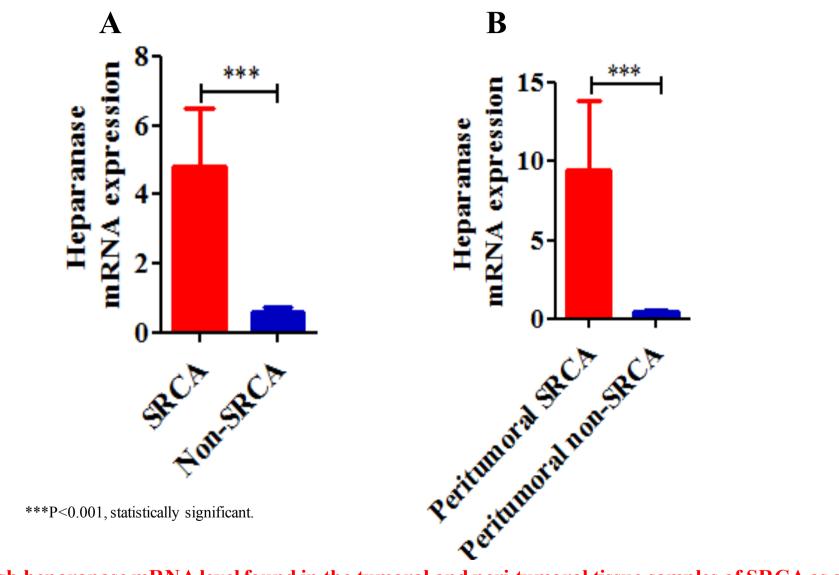
*P<0.05, statistically significant.

□ High heparanase level found in the ascitic samples of primary SRCA of stomach as compared to Non-SRCA of stomach and colic cancer.

(SRCA n=5, Non-SRCA n=3 and colic cancer n=6)



Heparanase expression in the tumoral tissue of SRCA and Non-SRCA and their peri-tumoral areas via qPCR A B E⁸] ***



□ High heparanase mRNA level found in the tumoral and peri-tumoral tissue samples of SRCA as compared to non-SRCA of stomach.
(Tumoral SRCA n=11, Peritumoral SRCA n=7, Tumoral non, SRCA n=10, Peritumoral non, SRCA n=8)

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Querying clinical databases for Thrombotic events

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Variable	Total N =302 (%)	Non SRCA N=205 (67,9%)	SRCA N=97 (32,1%)	р
Pulmonary embolism				1.000
No	271(89.7)	177 (86.3)	94 (96.9	
Yes	9 (3.0)	6 (2.9)	3 (3.1)	
Unspecified	22 (7.3)	22 (10.7)	0 (0.0)	
DVT				0.660
(Deep vein thrombosis)				
No	272 (90.1)	176 (85.9)	96 (99.0)	
Yes	5 (1.7)	4 (2.0)	1 (1.0)	
Unspecified	25 (8.3)	25 (12.2)	0 (0.0)	
PE and/or DVT				1.000
No	266 (88.1)	173 (84.4)	93 (95.9)	
Yes	12 (4.0)	8 (3.9)	4 (4.1)	
Unspecified	24 (7.9)	24 (11.7)	0 (0.0)	

■No significant difference in thrombotic events was observed between SRCA (8.2%) and non-SRCA (8.7%) of stomach



Conclusions

> For the first time, we found **Heparanase** expression in SRCA of stomach.

- A significant difference in heparanase level expression between SRCA and non SRCA of stomach was observed.
- ➢ But no such a difference was found in thrombotic events between SRCA and non SRCA of stomach (8-9% events was observed in both).

Therefore,

➢ No correlation

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between heparanase level and increase of thrombotic events.

