

Cross-talk fra neuroni e cellule della mielina:

neurotrasmissione o gliotrasmissione ?

Valerio MAGNAGHI, PhD Dept. of Pharmacological and Biomolecular Sciences «R. Paoletti» University of Milan, Italy



Neurobiology of Disease 2022 https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nbd.2022.105766

neuron-astrocyte-microglia cross-talk and calcium homeostasispathological implications



Chavda et al. Brain Sci. 2022 Jan; 12(1): 75

DOI 10.1007/s00702-004-0119-x J Neural Transm (2005) 112: 121–125 __Journal of __ Neural Transmission Printed in Austria

Roles for gliotransmission in the nervous system

Q. Zhang and P. G. Haydon

Department of Neuroscience, School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, USA



Current Opinion in Neurobiology https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-12-802401-0.00003-X

Neurons make synaptic connections with OPCs





Bergles et al. Nature 2000

Neuron-OPC synapses (GLUTergic but also GABAergic) exist in both white matter and grey matters

Bergles et al. Nature 2000 Lin et al. Nat Neurosci 2004 Lin et al. Neuron 2005 Jabs et al. J Cell Sci 2005 Ge et al. Science 2006 Kukley et al. Nat Neurosci 2007 Zinski et al. Nat Neurosci 2007 Karadottir et al. J Neurosci 2010

Roma Dic2024

Glutamate receptors are important for synaptic transmission



García-Gaytán et al, Frontiers Endocrinol, 2022

Functional glutamate receptors in oligodendrocytes

O2-A progenitor cells



1-day old rat cerebellar culture

Currents mediated by AMPA/kainate receptors



Wyllie et al, J Physiol, 1991

What is the function of glutamate receptors in OLIGO cells?



dominating concept for many years: GLUT receptors mediate damage of OLIGO during diseases

Damage to oligodendrocytes mediates/triggers/accompanies many diseases





- MS ٠
- **Optic Neuritis**
- ADEM ٠
- Paraneoplastic encephalomyelitis
- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Systemic lupus erythematosus
- Behçet's disease
- Sjörgen disease

- (2) Infectious diseases
- HIV
- PML
- · Lyme disease
- Neurosyphilis
- HTLV-1

- (3) Granulomatous diseases
- granulomatosis
- granulomatosis

- (4) Myelin disorders
- Metachromatic leukodystrophy
- Adrenoleukodystrophy/ adrenomyeloneuropathy
- Globoid cell (Krabbe's) leukodystrophy
- Alexander disease Canavan disease

- (5) Toxic/ metabolic disorders
- B12 deficiency
- Central pontine myelinolysis
- · Carbon monoxide
- Radiation
- PRES

- Sarcoidosis
- Wegner
- Lymphoid

KO of GluA2, GluA3, GluA4 subunits of AMPARs in OPCs *in vivo* results in loss of oligodendrocytes



Reduced number of oligodendrocytes



Increased number of **apoptotic** oligodendrocyte lineage cells



Kougioumtzidou et al, Elife, 2017

Roma Dic2024

- Regulate balance proliferation/differentiation of OPCs in developing and adult brain
- Regulate survival of oligodendrocytes
- Contribute to damage of oligodendrocytes and axons

.....role in CNS myelination???

hypothesis of Activity-Dependent Myelination in the CNS

- An intrinsic and innate program can initial myelination
- Through the lifespan myelin remodeling in the CNS is a dynamic process, modulated by learning and social interaction
- Neuronal activity induces myelin remodeling





(cc)



NG2 glial cells integrate synaptic input in global and dendritic calcium signals

Wenjing Sun^{1*}, Elizabeth A Matthews¹, Vicky Nicolas¹, Susanne Schoch², Dirk Dietrich^{1*}

¹Department of Neurosurgery, University Clinic Bonn, Bonn, Germany; ²Department of Neuropathology, University Clinic Bonn, Bonn, Germany

Abstract Synaptic signaling to NG2-expressing oligodendrocyte precursor cells (NG2 cells) could be key to rendering myelination of axons dependent on neuronal activity, but it has remained unclear whether NG2 glial cells integrate and respond to synaptic input. Here we show that NG2 cells perform linear integration of glutamatergic synaptic inputs and respond with increasing dendritic calcium elevations. Synaptic activity induces rapid Ca²⁺ signals mediated by low-voltage activated Ca²⁺ channels under strict inhibitory control of voltage-gated A-type K⁺ channels. Ca²⁺ signals can be global and originate throughout the cell. However, voltage-gated channels are also found in thin dendrites which act as compartmentalized processing units and generate local calcium transients. Taken together, the activity-dependent control of Ca²⁺ signals by A-type channels and the global versus local signaling domains make intracellular Ca²⁺ in NG2 cells a prime signaling molecule to transform neurotransmitter release into activity-dependent myelination. DOI: 10.7554/eLife.16262.001

Ca²⁺ transients in dendrites are locally evoked and mediated through voltage-gated Ca²⁺ channels









Free Access

The Artister Advanced for Advance Bigging for Advance Bigging for Advances Bigging for Advanc

Sun et al. eLife 2016

The plasma membrane Na⁺/Ca²⁺ exchange inhibitor KB-R7943 JNEUROSCI.0319-14/2014 Jul 9;34[28]:9182-9189. doi: 10.1523/JNEUROSCI.0339-14/2014 ZA is also a potent inhibitor of the mitochondrial Ca²⁺ uniporter

Roma Dic2024

J Santo-Domingo, L Vay, E Hernández-SanMiguel, C D Lobatón, A Moreno, M Montero, J Alvarez 🔀

Inhibition of A-Type Potassium Current by the Peptide Toxin SNX-482

OPCs exhibit Ca²⁺ excitability through local synaptic depolarization in dendrites and soma

The activity-dependent control of Ca²⁺ signals by ion channels makes intracellular Ca²⁺ in OPCs a prime signaling molecule to transform neurotransmitter release into Activity-Dependent Myelination

Schwann cells development, maturation and differentiation





Response of Schwann Cells to Action Potentials in Development ATP/P2Y

Beth Stevens and R. Douglas Fields*

Sensory axons become functional late in development when Schwann cells (SC) stop proliferating and differentiate into distinct phenotypes. We report that impulse activity in premyelinated axons can inhibit proliferation and differentiation of SCs. This neuron-glial signaling is mediated by adenosine triphosphate acting through P2 receptors on SCs and intracellular signaling pathways involving Ca2+, Ca2+/calmodulin kinase, mitogen-activated protein kinase, cyclic adenosine 3'.5'-monophosphate response element binding protein, and expression of c-fos and Krox-24. Adenosine triphosphate arrests maturation of SCs in an immature morphological stage and prevents expression of O4, myelin basic protein, and the formation of myelin. Through this mechanism, functional activity in the developing nervous system could delay terminal differentiation of SCs until exposure to appropriate axon-derived signals.

www.sciencemag.org SCIENCE VOL 287 24 MARCH 2000

Rat Schwann Cells Express M1–M4 **Muscarinic Receptor Subtypes**

Simona Loreti,¹ M. Teresa Vilaró,² S. Visentin,³ H. Rees,⁴ Allan I. Levey,⁴ and Ada Maria Tata¹

Department of Cell and Developmental Biology, University "La Sapienza," Rome, Italy epartment of Neurochemistry, Institut d'Investigacions Biomèdiques de Barcelona, CSIC, IDIBAPS, Barcelona, Spain

Department of Cell Biology and Neuroscience, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Rome, Italy ⁴Department of Neurology, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia

The expression of different muscarinic receptor subtypes was analyzed in immature Schwann cells obtained from sciatic nerve of 2-day neonatal rats. By using RT-PCR analysis, we demonstrated the presence of M1, M2, M3, and M4 receptor subtypes in cultured Schwann cells, with M2 displaying the highest expression levels. Muscarinic subtypes were also quantified by immunoprecipitation and [3H]QNB binding. With this approach, we found the levels of receptor expression to be M2 > M3 > M1. M4 is expressed at very low levels, and M5 receptor was not detectable. Moreover, we also demonstrated that stimulation of the receptors by muscarinic agonists activates previously described signal transduction pathways, leading to a decrease of cAMP and an increase of IP3 levels not associated with an efficient intracellular Ca2+ release. The presence and activity of particular muscarinic receptors in immature Schwann cells suggest that ACh may play an important role in Schwann cell development. © 2006 Wiley-Liss, Inc.

Journal of Neuroscience Research 84:97-105 (2006)



Purinergic Signaling Mediated by P2X₇ **Receptors Controls Myelination in Sciatic** Nerves

A. Faroni,^{1,2}* R.J.P. Smith,^{1,2} P. Procacci,³ L.F. Castelnovo,⁴ E. Puccianti,³ A.J. Reid,¹ V. Magnaghi,⁴ and A. Verkhratsky²

¹Blond McIndoe Laboratories, Institute of Inflammation and Repair, University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom

²Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom

Dipartimento di Scienze Formaciogiche e Biomolecolari, Università degli Studi di Milano, Milan, Italy Dipartimento di Scienze Farmacologiche e Biomolecolari, Università degli Studi di Milano, Milan, Italy

Journal of Neuroscience Research 92:1259-1269 (2014)

P2X7/P2X4

Received: 22 March 2018 Revised and accepted: 10 August 2018 DOI: 10.1002/glia.2352

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Overexpression of P2X4 receptor in Schwann cells promotes motor and sensory functional recovery and remyelination via **BDNF** secretion after nerve injury

Wen-Feng Su^{1†} | Fan Wu^{2†} | Zi-Han Jin^{1†} | Yun Gu¹ | Ying-Ting Chen¹ | Ying Fei¹ | Hui Chen¹ | Ya-Xian Wang¹ | Ling-Yan Xing¹ | Ya-Yu Zhao¹ | Ying Yuan^{1,3} | Xin Tang¹ | Gang Chen^{1,4} ©

¹Key Laboratory of Neuroregeneration of Jiangsu and Ministry of Education, Connovation Center of Neuroregener

Nantong University, Nantong, China ²Medical School of Nantong University, Nantong, China ³Affiliated Hospital of Nantong University Nantong, China ⁴Department of Anesthesiology, Affiliated Hospital of Nantong University, Nantong, Correspondence Gang Chen, Key Laboratory of Carg Charl, Key Canonian y or Neuroregeneration of Jangsu and Ministry of Education, Co-innovation Center of Neuroregeneration, Nantong University, Nantong 226001, China. Email: chengang6626@ntu.edu.cn

Funding information The National Key Research and De

Ach/Musc

Abstract Of the seven P2X receptor subtypes, P2X4 receptor (P2X4R) is widely distributed in the central nervous system, including in neurons, astrocytes, and microglia. Accumulating evidence supports roles for P2X4R in the central nervous system, including regulating cell excitability, synaptic transmission and neuronathic pain. However, little information is available about the distribution and function of P2X4R in the peripheral nervous system. In this study, we find that P2X4R is mainly localized in the lysosomes of Schwann cells in the peripheral nervous system. In cultured Schwann cells. TNF-a not only enhances the synthesis of P2X4R protein but also promotes P2X4R trafficking to the surface of Schwann cells. TNE-a-induced BDNE secretion in Schwann cells is P2X4R dependent, in vivo experiments reveal that expression of P2X4R in Schwann cells of injured nerves is strikingly upregulated following nerve crush injury. Moreover, overexpression of P2X4R in Schwann cells by genetic manipulation promotes motor and sensory functional recovery and accelerates nerve remvelination via BDNF release following nerve injury. Our results suggest that enhancement of P2X4R expression in Schwann cells after nerve injury may be an effective approach to facilitate the regrowth and remvelination of injured

GLIA

WILEY

1204 • The Journal of Neuroscience, January 27, 2010 • 30(4):1204 – 1212

Cellular/Molecular

Published: 19 July 2016

Proteasomal Degradation of Glutamine Synthetase Regulates Schwann Cell Differentiation

Fuminori Saitoh and Toshiyuki Araki

Department of Peripheral Nervous System Research, National Institute of Neuroscience, National Center of Neurology and Psychiatry, Kodaira, Tokyo 187-8502, Japan

Rapid saltatory nerve conduction is facilitated by myelin structure, which is composed of Schwann cells in the peripheral nervous system. Schwann cells drastically change their phenotype following peripheral nerve injury. These phenotypic changes are required for efficient degeneration/regeneration. We previously identified ZNRF1 as an E3 ubiquitin ligase containing a RING finger motif, whose expression is upregulated in the Schwann cells following nerve injury. This suggested that posttranscriptional regulation of protein expression in Schwann cells may be involved in their phenotypic changes during nerve degeneration/regeneration. Here we report the identification of glutamine synthetase (GS), an enzyme that synthesizes glutamine using glutamate and ammonia, as a substrate for E3 activity of ZNRFI in Schwann cells. GS is known to be highly expressed in differentiated Schwann cells, but its functional significance has remained unclear. We found that during nerve degeneration/regeneration, GS expression is controlled mostly by ZNRF1-dependent proteasomal degrada tion. We also found that Schwann cells increase oxidative stress upon initiation of nerve degeneration, which promotes carbonylation and subsequent degradation of GS. Surprisingly, we discovered that GS expression regulates Schwann cell differentiation; i.e., increased GS expression promotes myelination via its enzymatic activity. Among the substrates and products of GS, increased glutamate concentration inhibited myelination and yet promoted Schwann cell proliferation by activating metabotropic glutamate receptor signaling. This would suggest that GS may exert its effect on Schwann cell differentiation by regulating glutamate concentration. These results indicate that the ZNRF1-GS system may play an important role in correlating Schwann cell metabolism with its differentiation.

GS/mGluR

SCIENTIFIC REPORTS

Glutamate signals through OPEN mGluR2 to control Schwann cell differentiation and proliferation

Received: 01 October 2015 Fuminori Saitoh^{1,2}, Shuji Wakatsuki¹, Shinji Tokunaga¹, Hiroki Fujieda² & Toshiyuki Araki³ Accepted: 27 June 2016

Rapid saltatory nerve conduction is facilitated by myelin structure, which is produced by Schwann cells (SC) in the peripheral nervous system (PNS). Proper development and degeneration, regeneration after injury requires regulated phenotypic changes of SC. We have previously shown that glutamate can induce SC proliferation in culture. Here we show that glutamate signals through metabotropic glutamate receptor 2 (mGluR2) to induce Erk phosphorylation in SC, mGluR2-elicited Erk phosphorylation requires ErbB2/3 receptor tyrosine kinase phosphorylation to limit the signaling cascade that promotes phosphorylation of Erk, but not Akt. We found that GBY and Src are involved in subcellular signaling downstream of mGluR2. We also found that glutamate can transform myelinating SC to proliferating SC, while inhibition of mGluR2 signaling can inhibit demyelination of injured nerves in vivo. These data suggest pathophysiological significance of mGluR2 signaling in PNS and its possible therapeutic importance to combat demyelinating disorders including Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease.

SCIENTIFIC REPORTS [6:29856 | DOI: 10.1038/srep29856

Roma Dic2024



ATP: an extracellular signaling molecule between neurons and glia

R. Douglas Fields and Beth Stevens

Recent studies on Schwann cells at the neuromuscular junction and non-synaptic regions of premyelinated axons indicate that extracellular ATP can act as an activity-dependent signaling molecule in communication between neurons and glia. Several mechanisms have been observed for the regulated release of ATP from synaptic and non-synaptic regions, and a diverse family of receptors for extracellular ATP has been characterized. The findings suggest functional consequences of neuron-glial communication beyond homeostasis of the extracellular environment surrounding neurons, including regulating synaptic strength, gene expression, mitotic rate, and differentiation of glia according to impulse activity in neural circuits.

Trends Neurosci. (2000) 23, 625-633

Fig. 2. Constraints between Schweinn odl development and change in namel impulse activity in doraal not ganglion naveruns of mouse during the perinatial product (d). Schwein of the processon migrate care with the name of care and bogin to agrees the 1.0 antigent, at the develop inin immuture Schwein of the type in to agrees the 64 antigen, and then differentiate into either migrature gate. Schwein of the type into agrees the 64 antigent, and then differentiate into either migrature gate. The first of a schwein the production product in the first develop into development. The first of the schwein and gradient the first development and begins to development the care the first of either the care of active to protonous and sensory-oxeled activity in DBC navers, schwein differentiate). The is released by DBC nearem is channel into Schwein and gate alterestation in the in schwein the gate alterestation. The trait is released by DBC nearem is schwein the protonous and sensory-oxeled activity in DBC nearems in the originate of active protonous and sensory-oxeled activity in DBC nearems is altered antipolation in the integrate of the first origination of the development in the integrate of the nearem is channel integration. The schwein the type integration of the development in the integrate of the nearem is channel integration. The development is the integrate of the development in the nearem is channel integrate. The schwein the type of the development in the integrate of the nearem is channel integrate. The schwein the type of the development is the development of the development in the schwein the type of the development in the schwein the type of the development is the development of the development of the development in the schwein the type of the development is the development of the development of the development in the schwein the type of the development of the

trends in Neurosciences

nature

Explore content v About the journal v Publish with us v Subscribe

nature > letters > article

Published: 01 September 1979

GABA may be a neurotransmitter in the vertebrate peripheral nervous system

Kristján R. Jessen, Rhona Mirsky, Marion E. Dennison & Geoffrey Burnstock

Nature 281, 71–74 (1979) Cite this article

374 Accesses | 221 Citations | Metrics

Abstract

y-Aminobutyric acid (GABA) is an inhibitory neurotransmitter in the peripheral nervous system of certain invertebrates and is thought to be a major transmitter in the vertebrate central nervous system¹⁻³. In this report we present evidence that GABA may also be a neurotransmitter in the vertebrate peripheral autonomie nervous system. We have used light and electron microscopic autoradiography to analyse high-affinity uptake of ³H-GABA into the myenteric plexus of the guinea pig taenia coli, both *in situ* and in a tissue culture preparation. In the isolated myenteric plexus, we have measured the specific activity of glutamic acid decarboxylase (GAD; EC 4.1.1.15), the enzyme responsible for conversion of glutamic acid to GABA in GABAergic neurones^{4,5}, and assessed the ability of this tissue to accumulate ³H-GABA newly synthesised from ³H-glutamic acid. Furthermore, we have measured the levels of endogenous GABA in strips of taenia coli containing the myenteric plexus.





Melcangi RC et al, JNR 1999 Magnaghi V. et al, E.J.N. 2004 Magnaghi V. et al, Brain Res. Rev. 2005 Magnaghi et al., JNN 2006 Magnaghi et al. Mol Cell Neurosci 2008 Magnaghi V. et al. J. Neurochem. 2010 Perego C. et al. J. Cell Physiol 2011 Faroni A. J Mol Neurosci. 2012 Magnaghi V. et al. Front Cell Neurosci 2013 Faroni A. et al. GLIA 2014 Melfi S. et al. Molc. Neurobiol. 2018 Faroni A. et al Mol Neurobiol 2019



GAD65/GAD67





GABA



released from SCs



PMP22 GENE EXPRESSION IN SCHWANN CELL 24 h AFTER EXPOSURE TO GABA-A RECEPTOR AGONIST MUSCIMOL





SCHWANN CELL PROLIFERATION AFTER EXPOSURE TO GABA-A RECEPTOR AGONIST MUSCIMOL

GABA-A rec (medium/long-term) increases the proliferation and the myelin proteins expression in Schw cells



GABA machinery is present in the Schwann cells of the PNS

The Schwann cells are a target but also a source of GABA (synthesis, uptake and release)

GABA-A rec, via PK-A and PK-C signalling, controls the GABA synthesis and supplies an autocrine loop that in turn regulates proliferation and myelination

GABA-B rec, NRG1-3/Erb signaling, controls the number of unmyelinated fibers likely participating in axonal sorting and nociception







Immature neuron

Mature neuron

GABA generates an axonal depolarization in peripheral sensory C fibers

Bonalume et al. J Physiol 2021





.....GABA-evoked TONIC depolarization along C-fibers!!

Bonalume et al. J Physiol 2021



GABA generates a depolarization in peripheral sensory C fibers

Bonalume et al. J Physiol 2021

Axonal GABA_AR composition in PNS



Myelinated fibers

GABA-evoked depolarization is potentiated by inflammation:

evident and fast depolarization ...



INFLAMMATION: acute and chronic pain

Bonalume et al. J Physiol 2021



Bonalume and Magnaghi, Neural Reg Res 2023

- GABA is synthesized and released by Schwann cells
- GABA depolarizes nerve axons and enhances C-fiber excitability via GABA-A rec
- Action potential activity in unmyelinated C-fiber is coupled to NKCC1 activity and Cl- flux
- NKCC1 maintains feedforward stabilisation of C-fiber excitability and allows sustained firing, even during inflammation