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Effect of Pentoxifylline on the ICSI Program Undergone in Severe Asthenozoospermia

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Objective: The aim of this study was to evaluate the effect of pentoxifylline (PF) on the conventional ICSI program undergone in severe asthenozoospermia.

Method: Total 348 cycles of ICSI programs undertaken at CHA General Hospital from January, 1996 to September, 2000, were divided into two groups - injected with pentoxifylline-treated sperm (PFT, 204 cycles) or non-treated sperm (NPFT, 144 cycles) and the clinical results of PFT group were compared with those of NPFT.

Results: PF-treatment on sperm increased their motility of normozoospermia and severe asthenozoospermia. Fertilization rate of PFT group was higher than those of ICSI programs undertaken using sperm of NPFT (70.6% vs. 62.9%, p<0.01). And, ET and clinical pregnancy rates of PFT were slightly higher than those of NPFT (93.1%, 44.2% vs. 90.3%, 36.2%).

Conclusion: These results showed that treatment of pentoxifylline has a beneficial role on selection of viable sperm in severe asthenozoospermia.

Key Words: Pentoxifylline, Asthenozoospermia, ICSI

(IVF-ET) 22,23,29
 가 가 (severe asthenozoospermia)
 15,21,25 1992 가
 (ICSI; Intracyto-
 plasmic Sperm Injection)²⁴
 가 ,¹⁸ ,¹⁹ peritoneal fluid²⁸
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가가
 , caffeine,^{1,25} 2-de-
 oxyadenosine,² creatine phosphate,⁸ prostaglandins,³
 hyaluronic acid,¹⁵ pentoxifylline^{20,30,34}

line methylxanthine
 가 가

³⁸
³³ 가 reactive oxy-
 gen species

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 pentoxifylline 204
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(MESA: microsurgical epididymal sperm aspira-
 tion),⁴ (PESA: pe epididymal sperm aspiration),²⁷
 testicular sperm extraction)⁶ (TESE:

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 Kruger¹⁶
 가4%
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1)

FSH/hMG
 (Pergonal, Serono or Humegon, Organon) GnRH-a
 (Lupron, TAB/abott)
 , hCG (Profasi, Serono or Pregnyl, Organon)
 36

50 IU/ml hyaluronidase (Sigma
 Chemical Co, USA) 130~150 μm
 cumulus corona cell
 ICSI 5% CO₂가 37

2)

pentoxifylline
 가
 Fructose test
 MESA, PESA, TESE

swim-up
 Percoll gradient (50%, 80% 2 layer)
 ICSI

pellet pentoxifylline (Sigma Co.
 USA) 3.8 mmol 가 ICSI

3)

Pentoxifylline
 Hamilton Thorn (Version 10.6 HTM-IVOS, USA)

4) ICSI

ICSI (Drummond Co. USA)
 , holding pipette 80~100 μm,
 10~15 μm ,
 7~8 μm, 5~6 μm . ICSI
 0.3% BSA가 가 EBSS (Earle's Balan-
 ced Salt Solution, Gibco Co. USA) 5% PVP
 (PVP-360, Sigma. USA) 5 μm
 Mineral oil (M-3516, Sigma)
 . ICSI EBSS

EBSS 24 pentoxifylline
PVP 가
348 pentoxifylline
line
2~3 Table 2 348
4069 가 2899 (71.2%)
ICSI 16~18 ICSI ICSI 2714 (93.6%)
1826 (67.3%)
, 2 348 320 (91.93%) 가
131 (40.9%)
pentoxifylline
204 pentoxifylline
2318 가 1702 (73.4%)
ICSI 1540 (90.5%) 가 ICSI
1088 (70.6%) 가
WHO 204 가 190
(oligo-asthenozoospermia) (93.1%) 84 (44.2%)
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Table 1 62.9%, 70.6%
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가 90.3%, 93.1% pentoxifylline
(p<0.01).
pentoxifylline

Table 1. Results of sperm motility after culturing with or without pentoxifylline (PF)

Incubation time (h)	0	1	2	4	24
PF-untreated	5.1 ±2.4	4.9 ±2.4	4.9 ±2.4	4.8 ±2.3	3.6 ±1.7
PF-treated		6.9 ±3.5*	7.3 ±3.6*	6.2 ±2.4*	3.5 ±1.8

*p<0.01

Table 2. Overall clinical ICSI results of treatment cycles with pentoxifylline

	No. of case	No. of oocyte (%)					ET	Preg	
		retrieved	ICSI	survived	2PN	1PN			3PN
PF-untreated	144	1751	1197	1174 (98.1)	738 (62.9)	27	22	130 (90.3)	47 (36.2)
PF-treated	204	2318	1702	1540 (90.5)	1088 (70.6)	48	45	190 (93.1)	84 (44.2)
Total	348	4069	2899	2714 (93.6)	1826 (67.3)	75	67	320 (91.9)	131 (40.9)

*p<0.01

Table 3. ICSI results according semen characteristics

Sperm characteristics	No. of case	No. of oocyte						ET	Preg
		retrieved	ICSI	survived	2PN	1PN	3PN		
single factor*	62	797	586	541 (92.3)	372 (68.8)	15	19	61 (92.4)	29 (47.5)
double factor**	125	1292	960	859 (89.5)	616 (71.7)	26	25	113 (90.4)	49 (43.4)
triple factor***	17	229	156	140 (89.7)	100 (71.4)	3	1	16 (94.1)	6 (37.5)
Sperm frozen-thawed	3	20	12	12 (100)	11 (91.7)	-	-	3 (100)	2 (66.7)
fresh	4	48	42	36 (85.7)	21 (58.3)	1	1	4 (100)	1 (25.0)
PESA frozen-thawed	10	111	76	69 (90.8)	44 (63.8)	5	2	9 (90.0)	4 (44.4)
TESE	4	44	34	34 (100)	15 (44.1)	2	-	4 (100)	1 (25.0)

*oligozoospermia, asthenozoospermia, teratozoospermia, **oligo-astheno, oligo-terato, astheno-terato, ***oligo-astheno-terato

36.2%, 44.2% pentoxifylline
 pentoxifylline 204
 ICSI Table 3 가 pentoxifylline
 WHO ICSI ICSI ,
 ICSI 204 ICSI
 가 가 Pentoxifylline
 가 62 30.4% 가 ,²⁶
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 가 125 61.2%, 가 가 (oligozoospermia) 가
 가 17 8.3% 가 가 .³⁹
 가 가 가
 가 68.8%, 가 가
 가 71.7%, 가
 가 71.4%
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 pentoxifylline 204 17
 8.3% , 9 52.9%가
 ICSI
 ICSI 3 , 1.4% ICSI

가
 가 . cAMP가
 5,12,30,32
 pentoxifylline (hyperactivated motility) flagellum
 pentoxifylline 204 18 (8.8%) 가
 cAMP 37
 cAMP
 10 (55.6%) 가 - ICSI
 ICSI
 3 가 - cAMP-dependent
 가 10,14,31 cAMP-
 9,13 dependent
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 toxifylline 36
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 pentoxifylline methylxanthine group
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 monophosphate (cGMP) 가
 35 cAMP ATP adeny-
 late cyclase phosphate가
 가 phosphodiester bond cAMP가
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