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Immunosuppressive effects of mesenchymal stem cells versus corticosteroid in experimental model of arthritis

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T he objective of this study was to compare between the efficacy of mesenchymal stem cell (MSC) and betamethasone in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis.

90 male albino mice were divided equally into 2 models as follows: MSC model, group 1: saline control group, group 2: Acetic acid, group 3: CIA, group 4: induced arthritis mice that received intravenous injection of MSCs. Betamethasone model, group 1: phosphate buffer saline, group 2: Acetic acid, group 3: betamethasone control, group 4: CIA, group 5: induced arthritis mice that received intravenous injection of MSCs. Betamethasone model, group 1: phosphate buffer saline, group 2: Acetic acid, group 3: betamethasone control, group 4: CIA, group 5: induced arthritis mice that received intraperitoneal injection of betamethasone. Mice arthritis models were assessed by clinical paw edema and x-rays, at the proper time of sacrefaction, tissues were collected and examined using real-time PCR (RT-PCR), synovial tissue was examined for (IL-10) interleukin-10 (TNFa), tumor necrosis factora, (COMP)- Cartilage oligomeric matrix protein, (MMP-3) Matrix metalloproteinase3. While (MDA), (LDH), (GSH), (CAT) and (MPO) were determined using colorimetric kits. In addition detection of serum level of (IgG), (RF), (CRP), (ANA) by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA). Also detection of blood (ESR).

Histopathological, paw edema and PCR results showed improvement of the group that received MSC compared to the diseased group and group received betamethasone.

MSC significantly enhance the efficacy of collagen-induced arthritis treatment, which is superior to betamethasone treatment. likely through the modulation of the expression of various cytokines.

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