

## Antitumor Activity and Nephrotoxicity of the Novel Platinum(II) Coordination Complex

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### ABSTRACT

Platinum coordination complexes are currently one of the most compounds used in the treatment of solid tumors. However, its use is limited by severe side effects such as renal toxicity. Our platinum-based drug discovery program is aimed at developing drugs capable of diminishing toxicity and improving antitumor activity. We synthesized new Pt (II) complex analogue containing 1,2-diaminocyclohexane (dach) as carrier ligand and 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino) ethane (DPPE) as a leaving group. Furthermore, nitrate was added to improve the solubility. A new series of [Pt(trans-dach)(DPPE)<sub>2</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>](PC) was synthesized and characterized by their elemental analysis and by various spectroscopic techniques [infrared (IR), <sup>13</sup>carbon nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR)]. PC demonstrated acceptable antitumor activity against P388, L-1210 lymphocytic leukemia cells and SK-OV3 human ovarian adenocarcinoma cells, and significant activity as compared with that cisplatin. The toxicity of PC was found quite less than that of cisplatin using MTT, [<sup>3</sup>H] thymidine uptake and glucose consumption tests in rabbit proximal tubule cells, human kidney cortical cells and human renal cortical tissues. Based on these results, this novel platinum compound represent a valuable lead in the development of a new anticancer chemotherapeutic agent capable of improving antitumor activity and low toxicity.

**Key Words:** Platinum coordination complex, Antitumor activity, Nephrotoxicity, Glucose consumption tests

### INTRODUCTION

The platinum coordination complexes are cytotoxic agents that were first identified by Rosenberg and coworkers in 1965. Growth inhibition of *E. coli* was observed when electrical current was delivered between platinum electrodes.

The inhibitory effects on bacterial replication were subsequently shown to be due to the formation of inorganic platinum-containing compounds in the presence of chloride and ammonium ions. Cis-diamminedichloroplatinum (II) (cisplatin) was found to be the most active of these substance in experimental tumor system using sarcoma 180 (Connor, 1974; Kociba *et al.*, 1973). The introduction of cisplatin into the response rate of some tumor types (ovarian cancer, cancer of head and neck, bladder cancer), notably testicular carcinoma. However, its usefulness of cisplatin has been limited by its propensity to cause several dose-limiting toxicities, including nephrotoxicity, oto-

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toxicity, myelosuppression and its potential to induce resistance in responsive tumor types (Ward and Fauvie, 1976; Ward and Young, 1976; Kociba *et al.*, 1971; Schaeppi *et al.*, 1973). The major dose-limiting side effect of cisplatin is nephrotoxicity (Gottlieb *et al.*, 1975). It is known that renal cortical accumulation of cisplatin lead to necrosis of the proximal tubule and late development of internal cysts (Hardaker *et al.*, 1974; Krakoff, 1979; Jacob *et al.*, 1980; Litterest, 1974).

Cisplatin-induced nephrotoxicity has been largely abrogated by the routine use of hydration, mannitol (Cvitkovic *et al.*, 1977) or diuretics like furosemide (Hill *et al.*, 1975; Einhorn *et al.*, 1977).

Platinum coordination complexes are consisted of essential metal of platinum substitutable-leaving group and unsubstitutable carrier ligand. Carrier ligand is responsible for antitumor activity and spectrum. Chemical structure of amine as a carrier ligand is an important factor to influence the antitumor activity. This antineoplastic activity of cisplatin is attributed to its preferential reaction of carrier ligand with the N-7 atoms on the guanine base in DNA, such reactions ultimately form compounds in which both chlorides are replaced by nucleic acid groups.

Antitumor activity of platinum complexes is also depends on the stereo-activity of carrier ligand because DNA contains stereoselectivity. It has been reported that the 1,2-diaminocyclohexane (dach) carrier ligand shows particular promise because of excellent antitumor activity, low toxicity, and each of cross resistance with cisplatin (Clear *et al.*, 1973; Connors *et al.*, 1972; Gale *et al.*, 1974; Ridgway, 1977).

Leaving group is concerned with the stability, reactivity (Tashiro, 1988) and water-solubility. Pt (II) complexes appear to enter the cells by diffusion. The hydrolysis of leaving group is responsible for formation of the activated species of the drug, which reacts with DNA, resulting in inhibition of DNA replication. This explanation suggests that antitumor activity of Pt (II) complexes is closely correlation with the replaced rate of leaving group *in vivo*.

To date, there has been a notable investigation for novel platinum chemistry addressing stability, broad antitumor activity, and lower nephrotoxicity. The antitumor activity of platinum complexes containing dach carrier ligand was investigated

by Connors (1972), Clear (1973), and Gale (1974). Kidani *et al* (1985) synthesized Pt (oxalato) (trans-1-dach) [1-OHP] and Pt (malonato) (trans-1-dach) [1-PHM] using oxalate/malonate with selected trans-1-dach among trans-1, trans-d and cis-isomers.

Our platinum-based drug discovery program is aimed at developing drugs capable of broadening the antitumor activity and decreasing side effect. To assist in these objective we have recently synthesized a new compound; [Pt (II) (trans-d-dach) (DPPE)]. (NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.

The present study reports on the synthesis of new platinum (II) coordination complex and their antitumor activity and nephrotoxicity were evaluated with cancer cell lines, rabbit proximal tubule cells, human kidney cortical cells and histocultured human renal cortical tissues as a compared with those of cisplatin.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Materials

Platinum agents; 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino) ethane (DPPE) and 1,3-bis (diphenyl phosphino) propane (DPPP) were obtained from the Tokyo chemicals (JAPAN). Trans-d-1,2-diaminocyclohexane was kindly supplied by Dr. Kidani Department of Pharmacy, University of Nagoya (JAPAN). This trans-d-dach was seperated from trans-dl-dach purchased from Aldrich Chemical Co. (Milwaukee, WI, USA)

The chemical structure of platinum analogue were presented:



Hormones, transferrin, and other chemicals were purchased from Sigma Chemical Corp. (St. Louis, MO, USA). Powdered medium and soybean trypsin inhibitor were from Life Technologies (Grand Island, NY, USA). Class IV collagenase was from Worthington (Freehold, NY, USA).

Iron oxide was prepared by the method of Cook and Pickering (1958).

Stock solutions of iron oxide in 0.9% NaCl were sterilized using an autoclave and diluted with PBS prior to use.

## Methods

### 1) Synthesis of platinum (II) complexes

(1) (trans-d-1,2-diaminocyclohexane) dichloro-platinum (II)-[Pt (trans-d-dach)Cl<sub>2</sub>]: To a solution of K<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>4</sub> (420 mg, 1.02 mM) in H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) was added a solution of trans-d-dach. 2HCl (190 mg, 1.01 mM) in water (15 ml). The mixture was adjusted to pH 6.5 by titration with 5% NaOH and stirred for 30 min at room temperature. The yellow crystals were formed and filtered. The yellow crystals were dried in vacuum evaporation; The final yield was 470 mg.

(2) (trans-d-1,2-diaminocyclohexane) dinitrate platinum (II)-[Pt(trans-d-dach). (NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]: To a suspension of Pt (trans-d-dach) Cl<sub>2</sub> 380 mg(1 mM) was treated stepwise a solution of AgNO<sub>3</sub>(340 mg, 1 mM) in distilled water (10 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred for 24h at room temperature. The reaction product of AgCl was filtered off. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and dried with lysophilization; The final yield was 310 mg.

(3) {1,2-Bis (diphenylphosphino)ethane} (trans-d-1,2-diaminocyclohexane) Pt(II) nitrate-[Pt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)](NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>.H<sub>2</sub>O: To a solution of Pt (trans-d-dach)(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (433 mg, 1 mM) in 10 ml of H<sub>2</sub>O was added a solution of DPPE (400 mg, 1 mM) in 20 ml of acetone. The mixture was stand for 1 hr and evaporated under reduced pressure. The yellow crystals were formed and dried with lysophilization. The product was recrystallized from H<sub>2</sub>O; The final yield was 375 mg.

### 2) Cell culture

#### Cell culture environment

Kidney cell cultures were maintained in a humidified 5% CO<sub>2</sub>/95% air mixture at 37°C. The basal culture medium, a 50:50 mixture of Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium and Ham's F12(DME/F12) medium was supplemented with 15 mM HEPES buffer, 1.2 μg/ml sodium bicarbonated, 192 IU/ml penicillin, and 200 μg/ml streptomycin. Water for medium preparation was treated with a Millipore Reverse Osmosis System, followed by treatment with a Milli-Q reagent grade water system. The Milli-Q system had a carbon cartridge, two mixed bed resins, and an ultra-filtration cartridge (Millipore Corp., Bedford, MA USA). Growth supplements were added to the

serum-free basal medium immediately before their use for tissue culture. Primary rabbit kidney proximal tubule cell cultures were cultured in serum-free basal medium supplemented with bovine insulin (5 μg/ml), human transferrin (5 μg/ml), and hydrocortisone (5 × 10<sup>-8</sup>M). This medium, medium RK-1, was first described by Chung *et al.* (1982)

(1) Primary rabbit kidney proximal tubule cell culture: Primary rabbit kidney proximal tubule cell cultures were prepared by a modification of the method of Chung *et al.* (182) and Jung *et al.* (1992). To summarize, the kidneys of a male New Zealand white rabbit (2 to 2.5 kg) were perfused via the renal artery, first with phosphate buffered saline (PBS), and subsequently with DME/F12 containing 0.5% iron oxide (wt/vol), such that the kidney was turned grey-black in color. Renal cortical slices were homogenized with 4 strokes of a sterile Dounce homogenizer (type A pestle Bellco, USA), and the homogenate was poured first through a 253 and then a 83 mesh filter. Tubules and gomerugli on top of the 83 filter were transferred into sterile serum-free modified DME/F12 medium containing a magnetic stir bar. Glomeruli (containing iron oxide) were removed with the stir bar. The remaining purified proximal tubules were briefly incubated in serum-free modified DME/F12 containing the 3 supplements (bovine insulin, human transferrin, hydrocortisone), and transferred into tissue culture dishes. Medium was changed one day after plating and every two days thereafter.

(2) Primary human kidney cortical cell culture: Normal kidney tissue was freshly excised from patient undergoing abdominal operation. Kidney cortical tissues were washed 3 or 4 times with DMF/F12 (1:1) medium supplemented with penicillin/streptomycin. A single-cell suspension was obtained by mechanical disaggregation with sterilized surgical knife and subsequent incubation with collagenase (0.124 mg/ml) and trypsin inhibitor (2.5 mg/ml) for 2 min. The process was stopped by centrifugation (1000 rpm for 5 min) and the particles of kidney cortical tissue was suspended with DME/F12 medium supplemented with insulin (0.5 μg/ml), transferrin (5 μg/ml), hydrocortisone (5 × 10<sup>-8</sup>M), triiodothyronine (5 μg/ml), prostaglandin E<sub>1</sub> (5 × 10<sup>-8</sup>M) and fetal bovine serum (1 %). This suspended medium was seeded on culture

dish in an incubator at 37°C maintaining highly humidified atmosphere 5%CO<sub>2</sub>/95%air. After 2 weeks incubation, the cells were confluent and used for experiments (Jung *et al.* (1992)).

### 3) Histoculture

Normal human kidney tissue, identified by frozen section at the time of radical nephrectomy, was transported in a sterile container to the laboratory which was near the operating room.

The normal human kidney tissues were divided into 2 to 3 mm diameter pieces and five pieces were placed on top of previously hydrated Spongostan gel (1×1 cm) (Health Design Indust. Rochester, NY, USA). One gel was put in each well of six-well dishes three milliliters of Eagle's minimal essential medium (MEM) (GIBCO, USA) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (GIBCO, USA) and 50 µg/ml gentamicin and cefotaxime at a final concentration of 1 µg/ml were added to each well. The final volume of medium was sufficient to reach the upper gel surface without immersing it. Covered culture plates were maintained in a humidified 5%CO<sub>2</sub> incubator at 37°C. The cultures underwent sterile media changes every 3 days. Histoculture was continued up to 3 weeks after explantation. Specimens were exposed to media containing newly formed platinum complex and cisplatin for 3 days. After drug treatment, the specimens were washed with phosphate-buffered saline and fresh media.(Freeman and Hoffman, 1986; Chang *et al.*, 1992).

### 4) Antitumor activity

Mouse leukemia cancer cell line L-1210, P-388 and human ovarian adenocarcinoma cell line (SKOV-3) were cultured in 20 ml of RPMI medium supplemented with 10 µg/ml streptomycin/penicillin and 10% fetal calf serum (FCS) in incubators maintaining highly humidified 5%CO<sub>2</sub>/95% air 37°C. M-14 melanoma cells were cultured under the same condition above explained except DMEM medium. After 3 days culture, all cell lines were dissociate with trypsin-EDTA for dispersal and centrifuged 1,000 rpm for 5 min. The pellets were suspended with fresh medium.

Individual wells of 96-well tissue culture microtiter plate were inoculated with 0.1 ml of the appropriate media containing 10<sup>5</sup> cells. Cisplatin and novel pt(II)-complex were added at various concentrations. After 48 hr incubation, 0.05 ml of 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium

bromide (MTT) solution (5 mg/ml) were added to each plate and incubated ]for 4 hr. Thereafter, 0.05 ml of DMSO were added and absorption were read at 630 nm and automatically recorded with Elisa. The control compound is cisplatin.

### 5) Nephrotoxicity

(1) **MTT assay:** This was performed essentially described as previously (Bosanquet *et al.*, 1983). Briefly, the confluent primary rabbit kidney proximal tubules and human kidney cortex cells were disaggregated using 0.02% EDTA in 0.05% trypsin. Single cell suspension were then produced by centrifugation (1000 rpm, 10 min), resuspending in DME/F12 medium (10<sup>6</sup>cells/ml). This suspension was seeded 10<sup>5</sup> cells per well in 96-well plate in 100 µl of medium. Drugs were added at various concentration (final concentration; 5, 50 and 500 µM) and cultures were incubated for 48 hrs in an incubator maintaining highly humidified atmosphere of 5%CO<sub>2</sub>/95% air at 37°C. The 50 µl of medium containing MTT (5 mg/ml) was added to each well. After 4 hr of exposure, the medium was removed and washed with PBS, and then 50 µl of DMSO was added to each plate to solubilize the precipitates. The plate was transferred to a Elisa reader to measure the extracted dye at 630 nm. All experiments were performed at least 3 times, with 6 wells for each concentration of test agents.

(2) **Thymidine uptake test:** Cultured primary rabbit kidney proximal tubule cells and human kidney cortical cells were seeded at 10<sup>6</sup> cells per well in 24 well plate. After 1 hr incubation drug were added for 48 hr under humidified incubator 5%CO<sub>2</sub>/95% air at 37°C. Thereafter, [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine (1 µCi/ml; specific radioactivity) was then added to each well, and cells were again incubated for 24 hr in the same humidified incubator. After trypsin-EDTA treatment, all cells were collected and washed 2 times with 10% TCA and phosphate buffer. The cells were then solubilized with 0.5M-NaOH for 2 hr at 37°C. The amount of radioactivity present was determined by neutralizing with 0.5 M HCl, adding scintillating cocktail (Scint-AXF, Packard, CT) and counting in a β-counter (Beckman LS 5000TD).

(3) **Glucose consumption test:** 50 µl of culture medium were taken every 24 hr for determination of medium glucose content in triplicate using the HK 20 assay it from Sigma (St. Louis).

Measurement were made by monitoring the

changes in optical density at 230 nm due to the reduction of NAD catalyzed by hexokinase with the glucose substrate before and after chemotherapy treatment.

The glucose content of the medium as plotted as a semilog plot versus time after medium renewal using the Sigma plot program (Jandel Scientific, Corte Madera, CA, USA).

A simple exponential model of glucose consumption was then fitted to the data with the Systat program (Systat Inc. Evanston, IL, USA). The half life of glucose was calculated from the slope parameter of this model using the equation  $t_{1/2} = 0.693/S$ , where  $S$  = slope of the best fit linear regression line of the natural log of glucose concentration plotted versus time.

The glucose content of the medium was measured daily for 3 days. The log values over 3 days were plotted vs time and the slope of the best-fit line was taken as the glucose consumption rate during 3-day measurement period (one period).

## RESULTS

### Pt(II) complex synthesis

Synthetic  $PtCl_2$  (trans-d-dach) is a yellow crystal and water insoluble. Water soluble Pt-dinitrate

(trans-d-dach) is prepared by replacement of Cl with nitrate. Final products of and  $[Pt(\text{trans-d-dach})(DPPE)]_2 \cdot 2NO_3(PC)$  was synthesized by mixing 1:1 ratio of DPPE to above prepared compound.

The platinum complex was submitted for elemental analysis prior to biological evaluation. Analytical data (Table 1) is presented. The results of IR spectrum and the functional band of this compound are shown in Table 2.  $^{13}C$ -NMR chemical shift and coupling constants are exhibited in Table 3.

### Antitumor activity

Antitumor activity determination for cisplatin and PC against five carcinoma cell lines is shown using MTT assay.

Table 1. Result of elemental analysis of platinum(II) complex

Compound	Calculated(%)			Found(%)		
	H	C	N	H	C	N
PC	4.75	45.24	6.59	4.68	45.10	6.62

PC:  $[Pt(\text{trans-d-dach})(DPPE)]_2 \cdot 2NO_3$

Table 2. IR spectra of DPPE and its mixed ligand platinum(II) complex

Compounds	$\nu_{HN}$	$\nu_{CH}(\text{Phenyl})$	$\delta_{NH}$	$\nu_{P-C}(\text{Phenyl})$	$\nu_{NO_3}(\text{cm}^{-1})$
DPPE		3067(W)		1432(VS)	
PC	3450 3192	3053(W)	1592	1441(VS)	1382 819

PC:  $[Pt(\text{trans-d-dach})(DPPE)]_2 \cdot 2NO_3$

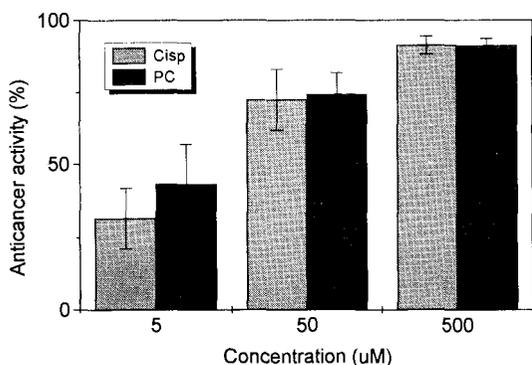
Table 3.  $^{13}C$ -NMR spectra of DPPE and its mixed ligand platinum(II) complex

Compounds	Phenyl group			Bidding $CH_2$	Diamine moiety			solvent
	$\delta C_1(\text{J P-C})$	$\delta C_{2,6}(\text{J P-C})$	$C_{3,5}(\text{J P-C})$		$\delta C_4$	$\delta C'_{1,2}$	$\delta C'_{3,6}$	
DPPE	139.2(t,7.5)	133.8(t,8.8)	129.5(t,3.5)	130.5(s)	25.1(s)			$CD_2Cl_2$
$[Pt(\text{trans-d-dach})(DPPE)]_2 \cdot 2NO_3$	a)	134.6(t,7.0)	192.4(t,6.4)	133.1(s)	24.3(s)	60.8(s)	31.6(s) 24.1(s)	DMSO
		132.2(t,8.6)	126.3(t,4.0)	132.4(s)				

a): Resonance not observed

dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

$\delta$ : ppm from TMS



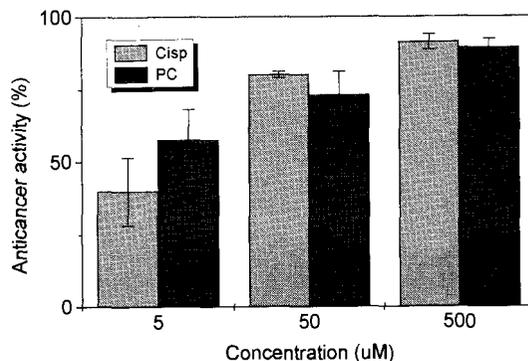
**Fig. 1.** Anticancer activities of Pt(II) complexes on the P-388 leukemia cells.

Cisp: Cisplatin

PC: pPt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>3</sub>

dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

DPPE: 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane



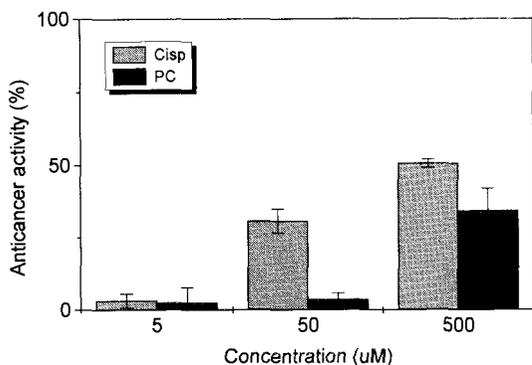
**Fig. 2.** Anticancer activities of Pt(II) complexes on the L-1210 leukemia cells.

Cisp: Cisplatin

PC: pPt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>3</sub>

dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

DPPE: 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane



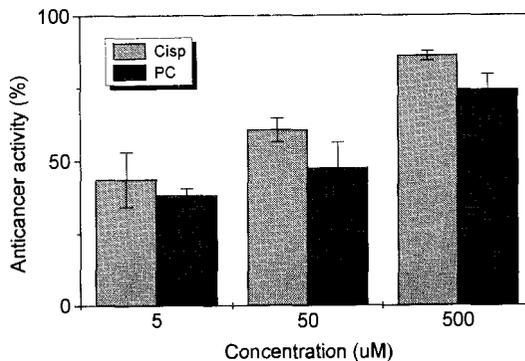
**Fig. 3.** Anticancer activities of Pt(II) complexes on the M-14 melanoma cells.

Cisp: Cisplatin

PC: pPt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>3</sub>

dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

DPPE: 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane



**Fig. 4.** Anticancer activities of Pt(II) complexes on the SKOV-3 human ovarian cancer cells.

Cisp: Cisplatin

PC: pPt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>3</sub>

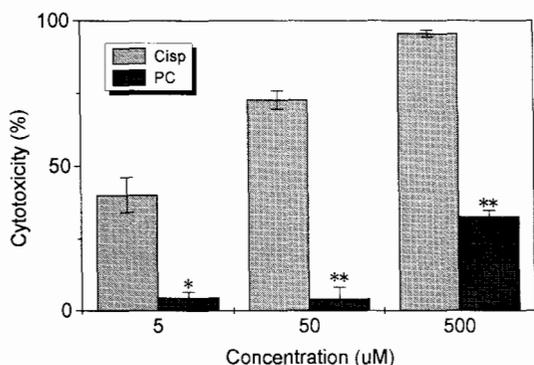
dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

DPPE: 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane

Fig. 1 shows the result obtained after exposure of 5, 50 and 500 μM against P-388 leukemia cell-line. PC showed concentration-dependent increase in antitumor activity, PC exhibited significant antitumor activity (cytotoxicity index, CI: 43.2% for 5 μM) and as active as that of cisplatin at 500 μM. The antitumor activity of PC showed only 74.3% and 91.3% of CI at 50 μM and 500 μM,

respectively against P-388 leukemia cells.

Fig. 2 shows the results obtained when this drug was exposed to L-1210 mouse lymphocytic leukemia cell line. Antitumor activity of these Pt(II)-complex against L-1210 is also dependent on concentration and quite comparable to that of cisplatin. Cisplatin and PC did not show any significant antitumor activity against M14 melano-



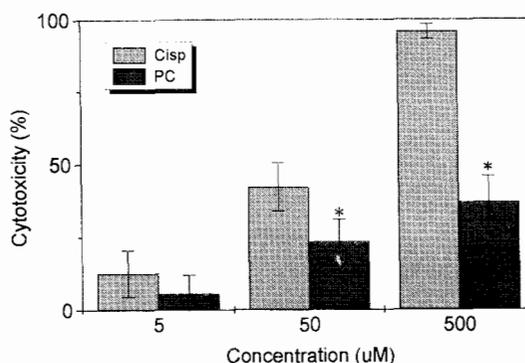
**Fig. 5.** Cytotoxic activities of Pt(II) complexes on the proximal tubule cells of rabbit kidney.

Cisp: Cisplatin

PC: pPt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>2</sub>

dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

DPPE: 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane



**Fig. 6.** Cytotoxic activities of Pt(II) complexes on the renal cortical cells of human kidney.

Cisp: Cisplatin

PC: pPt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>2</sub>

dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

DPPE: 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane

**Table 4.** Effect of platinum complex on <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine incorporation into primary cultured proximal tubule cells of rabbit kidney

Group	<sup>3</sup> H-Tymidine (cpm/10 <sup>6</sup> cells)	Uptake Rate (%)
Control	598.3 ± 75.15	100.0
Cisplatin	9.0 ± 3.46	1.5
PC	409.7 ± 68.38	68.5

Concentration of Pt-complex in cultured medium: 5 × 10<sup>-3</sup>M

PC: [Pt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>2</sub>

Values are means ± S.E.

All the incorporations were determined in triplicate.

**Table 5.** Effect of platinum complex on <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine incorporation into primary cultured renal cortical cells of human kidney

Group	<sup>3</sup> H-Tymidine (cpm/10 <sup>6</sup> cells)	Uptake Rate (%)
Control	621.3 ± 56.01	100.0
Cisplatin	8.7 ± 5.14	1.5
PC	275.3 ± 51.24	44.3

Concentration of Pt-complex in cultured medium: 5 × 10<sup>-3</sup>M

PC: [Pt(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)]-2NO<sub>2</sub>

Values are means ± S.E.

All the incorporations were determined in triplicate.

ma cell line up to 500 μM (Fig. 3). These results indicate that M14 cell line is resistant to all these agents.

Fig. 4 shows the results when PC was exposed to SK-OV3 human ovarian adenocarcinoma cell lines. Antitumor activities of PC against SK-OV3 exhibited 74.3% (CI) at 500 μM concentration.

### Nephrotoxicity

#### 1) Rabbit kidney proximal tubules cells

The cytotoxicities of cisplatin and PC against

rabbit kidney proximal tubular cells as determined by MTT assay are shown in Fig 5.

PC (CI: 4.5% showed less cytotoxic at 5 μM as compared with that of cisplatin (CI: 39.2%. At a concentration of 50 μM and 500 μM, PC showed 3-7 fold less cytotoxic than that of cisplatin.

In addition to MTT assay, cytotoxicities were determined using [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine uptake assay. Results using this assay are shown in table 4. PC showed 68.5%, respectively of [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine uptake as compared with that of cisplatin (1.5%) at

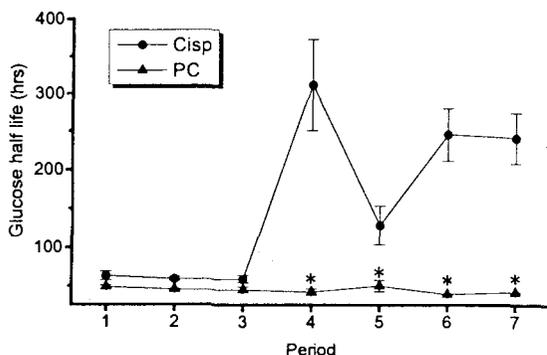


Fig. 7. Nephrotoxicity on 3 weeks histocultured human kidney. Toxicity was measured by glucose consumption. Each drug exposed for 72 hrs with 50  $\mu$ M in concentration.

Cisp: Cisplatin

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dach: 1,2-diaminocyclohexane

DPPE: 1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane

500  $\mu$ M. This result indicates that cytotoxicity of PC was significantly less than that of cisplatin and [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine uptake assay is more sensitive than MTT test.

### 2) Human kidney cortical cells

PC showed less cytotoxicity (CI: 23.4%) as compared with that of cisplatin (CI: 42.2%) at 50  $\mu$ M (Fig. 6).

Table 5 shows the results obtained by [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine uptake in primary cultured human kidney renal cortical cells. [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine uptake in primary cultured human kidney renal cortical cells. [<sup>3</sup>H]-thymidine incorporation is significantly inhibited by cisplatin (1.5%) as compared with that of PC (44.3%).

### 3) Human kidney cortical tissues

In glucose consumption, one period is defined as more than 3 times measurement per day in 4 weeks histoculture of human kidney cortex tissue.

The half-life of glucose before adding of new synthetic Pt(II)-complex is approximately 23.3-48.8 hr and does not show any statistical significance.

However, half-life of glucose was significantly increased at 4 period, and then showed more than 240 hr at 5,6 periods. However, the effect of PC was less marked than cisplatin (Fig. 7).

## DISCUSSION

The platinum coordination complexes are cytotoxic agents that were first identified by Rosenberg *et al.* (1965). The inhibitory effects on of inorganic platinum-containing compounds in the presence of ammonium and chloride ions. cis-Diaminedichloroplatinum (II) (cisplatin) was found to be the most active of Pt (II) complexes in experimental tumor systems and has proven to be of clinical value (Rosenberg *et al.*, 1967, 1969).

Since Rosenberg *et al.* (1967) first described the antitumor activity of cisplatin, cisplatin has become an important drug in the treatment of selected human malignant tumors. However, its clinical use is often complicated by its dose related renal toxicity. While the unfavorable nephrotoxicity has been overcome by the development of the second-generation agent, carboplatin, there remains an unquestionable need for further platinum containing compounds which have more favorable therapeutic indices and circumvent resistance.

The structure-activity relationships clarified by the effect of carrier ligands and leaving groups in vivo antitumor activity. The contribution of the carrier ligand may be related to the potency and spectrum of antitumor activity, and that of the leaving group may be related to the dissociation rate from platinum complex.

One of the structural modification that is widely accepted as having resulted in an increased therapeutic index is the attachment of 1,2-diaminocyclohexane (dach) (Cleare and Hoeschele, 1973; Connors *et al.*, 1972; Gale *et al.*, 1974; Ridgway *et al.*, '977). Several dach compounds are existed such as cis-dach, trans-1-dach and trans-d-dach. Among these dach derivatives, trans-1-dach has been known to have significant antitumor activity (Inagaki and Kitani, 1986). Moreover, it is essential to consider the leaving group which is important factor to influence the activity of Pt-complexes. The Pt (II)-complexes appear to penetrate cell membrane by diffusion and the leaving group is displaced directly by hydrolysis. This is responsible for formation of the activated species of drug, which reacts with the DNA (i.e.,

with the guanine N7 forms), resulting in inhibition of DNA replication and cytotoxic effect (Tashiro, 1988). In addition to its reactive with DNA, Pt (II)-complexes can react with protein-bound sulfhydryl groups of the proximal tubules with resulting significant toxic action on renal function (Odenheimer and Wolf, 1982; Appleton *et al.*, 1989; Alden and Repta, 1984).

These studies indicate that the dissociation of leaving group is important factor for antitumoral and toxic activity. However, when the rate of dissociation is much higher, it causes toxicological effects because of reaction with normal protein instead of DNA in cancer cells. Contrastly, when the dissociation rate is too low, it is excreted extracellular compartment before showing any antitumor activity.

The mechanism of nephrotoxicity induced by Pt (II)-complexes is not completely understood. Investigators have demonstrated that cytotoxicity induced by a variety of drugs may be attributable at least in part to inhibition of blood-flow in kidney or depletion of intracellular glutathione (Meijer *et al.*, 1982; Levi *et al.*, 1980).

Dobyan *et al.*, (1980) have reported site-specific injury to the pars recta (S<sub>2</sub>) segment of the proximal tubules. Gonzalez-Vitale *et al.* (1980) noted that the distal tubule is the most consistently damaged region in human kidney. Furthermore, a number of investigators (Proter *et al.*, 1981; Jones *et al.*, 1980) suggested that both of proximal and distal tubules have been damaged.

This nephrotoxicity induced by Pt (II)-complexes has been largely abrogated by the routine use of hydration and diuresis (mannitol) and sulfnucleophiles (WR-2721 and diethyldithiocarbamate) (Jones *et al.*, 1986; Glover *et al.*, 1986; Bodenner *et al.*, 1986). It is well documented that mannitol reduce cisplatin nephrotoxicity by diluting its tubular urinary concentration rather than by altering its half-life, plasma clearance or total urinary excretion.

New Pt (II)-containing analogues have generally been screened for antitumor activity and nephrotoxicity using several cancer cell lines (L1210 leukemia, P-388 leukemia, M-14 melanoma, and SK-OV3 ovarian cancer cells) and human/rabbit kidney normal cells, respectively. New synthetic Pt (II)-complex, PC exhibited significant antitumor activity against P-388, L-1210 and SK-OV3. How-

ever, the M-14 cells were somewhat resistant to cisplatin and PC.

A criteria for antitumor activity *in vitro* is generally expressed in cytotoxicity index in P-388 and L-1210 and more than 50% in cytotoxicity index is accepted as positive antitumor drugs. PC showed comparable antitumor activity to cisplatin. PC demonstrated significant antitumor activity as compared with that of cisplatin at low concentration.

The results obtained here presented that PC had less cytotoxic than cisplatin. This is conceivable that modification of the carrier ligand as a diaminocyclohexane and leaving group as a DPPE derived from cisplatin significantly changed antitumor activity and nephrotoxicity.

Mortine and Borch (1988) reported that LLC-PK<sub>1</sub> (pig proximal tubule epithelial cell-line) is a good model to evaluate nephrotoxicity induced by cisplatin *in vitro*. These studies using primary cultured cells showed reliable data instead of LLC-PK<sub>1</sub> cell-line.

*In vivo*, the appearance of glucose in urine is one of the early signs of proximal tubular dysfunction and therefore we choose glucose consumption as a parameter to assess the nephrotoxicity in human renal cortical tissue.

These results is reliable as that of renal cortex because human renal cortical tissue is maintained with collagen gel through three dimensional culture method (Freman and Hoffman, 1986; Chang *et al.*, 1982).

Further development of these rabbit kidney proximal tubule cells and human renal cortical cell culture system may have value in detecting potential nephrotoxicity and in studying their mechanism.

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=국문초록=

## 새로운 Platinum (II) Complex [Pt(II)(trans-d-dach(DPPE))](NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>의 항암효과 및 신독성

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일부 malignant tumor에 Pt-complex의 임상 응용 과정에서 신장독성등의 심한 부작용이 문제점으로 지적되고 있다.

이 연구에서는 기존의 cisplatin보다 항암효과는 우수하면서, 부작용을 감소시킨 새로운 Pt-complex의 개발에 역점을 두었다. 본 연구에서 합성한 Pt (II) complex는 carrier ligand로서 1, 2-diaminocyclohexane(dach)을 사용하였고, leaving group으로는 diophosphine류인 1,2-bisdiphenylphosphinoethane (DPPE)을 도입하였으며, 물에 대한 용해도를 높이기 위해 dinitrate로 만들었다.

새로이 합성한 [Pt(II)(trans-d-dach)(DPPE)](NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>는 원소 분석, IR 및 <sup>13</sup>C-NMR 분석 data에 의하여 위의 물질임이 확인되었다.

MTT assay method에 의한 항암활성 연구를 통하여 P-388, L-1210 lymphocytic leukemia cell과 SK-OV3 난소암세포에서 항암효과가 인정되었으며, 이 항암효과는 대조 약물로 사용된 cisplatin과 유사하였다.

토끼의 신세뇨관 세포와 인체의 신피질 세포를 이용한 cytotoxicity 및 thymidine 섭취율과 인체 신피질 조직 배양을 이용한 glucose consumption 실험을 통하여 모두 cisplatin보다 신장독성이 현저히 감소되었다.

이상의 결과로 보아 Pt(II) complexes는 carrier ligand와 leaving group의 선택에 따라 항암활성의 증가와 신독성의 감소를 일으키는 요인으로 보여지며, 이 연구에서 만들어진 Pt(II) complex는 앞으로 다각적인 검토를 거쳐 새로운 항암화학요법제로 개발될 가능성이 있을 것으로 생각된다.