

Chapter 4

Cerebral Dominance and Archaeal Digoxin -
Relation to the Tridosha Theory and
Pathogenesis of Disease

Introduction

Global warming induces a genomic change in humans. Global warming induces endosymbiotic archaeal and RNA viroidal growth. The porphyrins form a template for the formation of RNA viroids, DNA viroids, prions, isoprenoids and polysaccharides. They can symbiose together to form primitive archaea. The archaea can further induce HIF alpha, aldose reductase and fructolysis resulting in further porphyrinogenesis and archaeal self replication. The primitive archaeal DNA is integrated along with RNA viroids which are converted to their corresponding DNA by the action of redox stress induced HERV reverse transcriptase into the human genome by the redox stress induced HERV integrase. The archaeal DNA sequences that are integrated into the human genome forms endogenous archaeal human genomic sequences akin to HERV sequences and can function as jumping genes regulating genomic DNA flexibility. The integrated endogenous genomic archaeal sequences can get expressed in the presence of redox stress forming endosymbiotic archaeal particles which can function as a new organelle called the archaeaons. The archaeaon can express the fructolytic pathway constituting an organelle called the fructosome, cholesterol catabolic pathway and digoxin synthetic forming an organelle called the steroidelle, the shikimic acid pathway forming an organelle called the neurotransminoid, antioxidant vitamin E and vitamin C synthetic organelle called the vitaminocyte as well as the glycosaminoglycan synthetic organelle called glycosaminoglycoid. The archaeaon secreting RNA viroids is called the viroidelle.

The increase in endogenous EDLF, a potent inhibitor of membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, can decrease this enzyme activity. The results showed increased endogenous EDLF synthesis as evidenced by increased HMG CoA reductase activity, which functions as the rate limiting step of the isoprenoid pathway.

Studies in our laboratory have demonstrated that EDLF is synthesized by the isoprenoid pathway. The endosymbiotic archaeal sequences in the human genome get expressed by redox stress and osmotic stress of global warming. This results in induction of HIF alpha which will upregulate fructolysis and glycolysis. In the setting of redox stress all glucose gets converted to fructose by the induction of enzymes aldose reductase and sorbitol dehydrogenase. Aldose reductase converts glucose to sorbitol and sorbitol dehydrogenase converts sorbitol to fructose. Since fructose is preferentially phosphorylated by ketohexokinases the cell is depleted of ATP and glucose phosphorylation comes to a halt. Fructose becomes the dominant sugar that is metabolized by fructolysis in expressed archaeal particles in the cell functioning as organelle called fructosoids. The fructose is phosphorylated to fructose 1-phosphate which is acted upon by aldolase B which converts it into glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate and dihydroxy acetone phosphate. Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate is converted to D 1,3-biphosphoglycerate which is then converted to 3-phosphoglycerate. The 3-phosphoglycerate is converted to 2-phosphoglycerate. 2-phosphoglycerate is converted to phosphoenol pyruvate by the enzyme enolase. Phosphoenol pyruvate is converted to pyruvate by the enzyme pyruvic kinase. The archaeaon induces HIF alpha which upregulates fructolysis and glycolysis but inhibits pyruvate dehydrogenase. The forward metabolism of pyruvate is stopped. The dephosphorylation of phosphoenol pyruvate is inhibited in the setting of pyruvic kinase inhibition. Phosphoenol pyruvate enters the shikimic acid pathway where it is converted to chorismate. The shikimic acid is synthesized by a pathway starting from glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate. Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate combines with the pentose phosphate pathway metabolite sedoheptulose 7-phosphate which is converted to erythrose 4-phosphate. The pentose phosphate pathway is upregulated in the presence of the suppression of glycolytic pathway. Erythrose 4-phosphate combines with

phosphoenol pyruvate to generate shikimic acid. Shikimic acid combines with another molecule of phosphoenol pyruvate to generate chorismate. The chorismate is converted to prephenic acid and then to parahydroxy phenyl pyruvic acid. Parahydroxy phenyl pyruvic acid is converted to tyrosine and tryptophan as well as neuroactive alkaloids. The shikimic acid pathway is structured in expressed archaeon organelle called the neurotransminoid. The fructolytic intermediates glyceraldehydes 3-phosphate and pyruvate are the starting points of the DXP pathway of cholesterol synthesis. Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate combines with pyruvate to form 1-deoxy D-xylulose phosphate (DOXP) which is then converted to 2-C methyl erythritol phosphate. 2-C methyl erythritol phosphate can be synthesized from erythrose 4-phosphate a metabolite of the shikimic acid pathway. DXP combines with MEP to form isopentenyl pyrophosphate which is converted to cholesterol. Cholesterol is catabolised by archaeal cholesterol oxidases to generate digoxin. The digoxin sugars digitoxose and rhamnose are synthesized by the upregulated pentose phosphate pathway. Glycolytic suppression leads to upregulation of the pentose phosphate pathway. The expressed archaeon organelle concerned with cholesterol catabolism and digoxin synthesis is called the steroidelle. The suppression of glycolysis and stimulation of fructolysis results in upregulation of the hexosamine pathway. Fructose is converted to fructose 6-phosphate by ketohexokinases. The fructose 6-phosphate is converted to glucosamine 6-phosphate by the action of glutamine fructose 6-phosphate amidotransferase (GFAT). Glucosamine 6-phosphate is converted to UDP N-acetyl glucosamine which is then converted to N-acetyl glucosamine and various amino sugars. UDP glucose is converted to UDP D-glucuronic acid. UDP D-glucuronic acid is converted to glucuronic acid. This forms the uronic acid synthetic pathway. Uronic acids and hexosamines form repeating units of glycosaminoglycans. In the setting of glycolytic suppression and fructolytic metabolism fructolysis

leads to increase synthesis of hexosamines and GAG synthesis. The GAG synthesizing archaeon particles are called the glycosaminoglycoids. The expressed archaeon particles are capable of synthesizing antioxidant vitamin C and E. The UDP D-glucose is converted to UDP D-glucuronic acid. UDP D-glucuronic acid is converted to D-glucuronic acid. D-glucuronic acid is converted to L-gulonate by enzyme aldoketo reductases. L-gulonate is converted to L-gulonolactone by lactonase. L-gulonolactone is converted to ascorbic acid by the action of archaeal L-gulo oxidase. The vitamin E is synthesized from shikimate which is converted to tyrosine and then to parahydroxy phenyl pyruvic acid. Parahydroxy phenyl pyruvic acid is converted to homogentisate. Homogentisate is converted to 2-methyl 6-phytyl benzoquinone which is converted to alpha tocopherol. 2-methyl 6-phytyl benzoquinone is converted to 2,3-methyl 6-phytyl benzoquinone and gamma tocopherol. Vitamin E can also be synthesized by the DXP pathway. Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate and pyruvate combined to form 1-deoxy D-xylulose 5-phosphate which is converted to 3-isopentenyl pyrophosphate. 3-isopentenyl pyrophosphate and dimethyl allyl pyrophosphate combined to form 2-methyl 6-phytyl benzoquinone which is converted to tocopherols. The ubiquinone another important membrane antioxidant and part of the mitochondrial electron transport chain is synthesized by the shikimic acid pathway and DXP pathway. The isoprenoid moiety of ubiquinone is contributed from the DXP pathway and the rest of it by tyrosine catabolism. The tyrosine is generated by the shikimic acid pathway. The archaeon particles concerned with the synthesis of vitamin C, vitamin E and ubiquinone which are all antioxidants are called the vitaminocyte.

Discussion

There is a specialisation of function in the right and left hemispheres of the brain as manifested in cognitive dysfunctions noticed in lesions of the same. Typical cerebral lateralization is associated with left cerebral dominance for language, praxis and serial processing, whereas the right cerebral hemisphere is dominant for externally directed attention, visuospatial tasks and gestalt processing. The right hemisphere is also dominant for emotional stimuli, and patients with right cerebral lesions may exhibit hypoarousal and emotional indifference. The pitta state is described as a critical, discriminative and rational psychological state of mind while the kapha state is described as being dominant for emotional stimuli. The vata state in between is an unstable shifting state. Geschwind also postulated a relationship between cerebral lateralization and immune function. For example, they observed a higher frequency of left-handedness in patients with some immune disorders. Difference in natural killer cell activity has been reported in women as a function of asymmetries in frontal EEG activation. Bardos et al. demonstrated that lesions of the left neocortex in mice depress T-cell immunity, whereas right lesions enhance T-cell immunity. There is no data as of now on neurotransmitter differences between right and left hemispheres though functional differences have been noticed as described above. The present study assessed the changes in the synthesis of an endogenous membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase inhibitor, digoxin and neurotransmitter changes in right and left handed individuals and their relationship to cerebral dominance. The pathological and psychological correlates of cerebral dominance in relation to endogenous digoxin synthesis have also been documented. Also it has been compared with the parameters obtained in vata, pitta and kapha state. The results are presented in this chapter.

Archaeal Digoxin and Membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase Inhibition - Cerebral Dominance

The archaeon steroidelle DXP pathway and the upregulated pentose phosphate pathway contribute to digoxin synthesis. The increase in endogenous digoxin, a potent inhibitor of membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, can decrease this enzyme activity in left handed / right hemispheric dominant individuals and in Parkinson's disease, CNS glioma, multiple sclerosis, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, schizophrenia, primary generalised epilepsy, syndrome X, migraine, addiction, anorexia nervosa, osteoarthritis, spondylosis, acute coronary artery disease, hypertension, SSPE, neurolupus, acid peptic disease, irritable bowel syndrome, cirrhosis liver, inflammatory bowel disease, chronic bronchitis emphysema, interstitial lung disease, sarcoidosis, bronchial asthma, chronic renal failure, nephrotic syndrome, nephrolithiasis, lone atrial fibrillation, gall stones and Fahr syndrome. In all the disorders studied, there was significant inhibition of the RBC membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase and this inhibition appears to be a common feature for these neuropsychiatric and systemic disorders. In creative individuals, addiction, promiscuous individuals, homosexuals, anorexic, insomniac and individuals with reduced bonding / affection and detached behaviour also serum digoxin levels are increased and RBC membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase activity reduced. In all these pathological and psychological states there is chemical right hemispheric dominance. The inhibition of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase by digoxin is known to cause an increase in intracellular calcium resulting from increased $\text{Na}^+\text{-Ca}^{++}$ exchange, increased entry of calcium via the voltage gated calcium channel and increased release of calcium from intracellular endoplasmic reticulum calcium stores. This increase in intracellular calcium by displacing magnesium from its binding sites causes a decrease in the functional availability of magnesium. This decrease in the availability of magnesium can cause decreased mitochondrial ATP

formation which along with low magnesium can cause further inhibition of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, since the ATP-magnesium complex is the actual substrate for this reaction. Cytosolic free calcium is normally buffered by two mechanisms, ATP dependent calcium extrusion from the cell and ATP dependent sequestration of calcium within the endoplasmic reticulum. The magnesium related mitochondrial dysfunction results in defective calcium extrusion from the cell. There is thus a progressive inhibition of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase activity first triggered by digoxin. Low intracellular magnesium and high intracellular calcium consequent to $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase inhibition appear to be crucial to the pathophysiology of these disorders. The intracellular positive calcium signal and negative magnesium signal can regulate diverse cellular process. Calcium on entry into the cell is used to charge up the internal endoplasmic reticulum stores which then release a burst of signal calcium responsible for activating a large variety of calcium dependent cellular processes. The information processing capability of the calcium signalling system is enhanced by amplitude and frequency modulation. The calcium is released from channels on internal ER individually or in small groups (bip/quark and puffs/sparks). Further diversity of calcium signalling is produced by compartmentalization as cytosolic calcium signal and nuclear calcium signal. There is evidence for increased digoxin synthesis in these groups of diseases from the increase in HMG CoA reductase activity that is noticed. HMG CoA reductase is the rate limiting enzyme of the isoprenoid pathway. In this connection, incorporation of ^{14}C -acetate into digoxin in the rat brain has been shown by us indicating that acetyl CoA is the precursor for digoxin biosynthesis in mammals also. Serum magnesium was assessed in left handed / right hemispheric dominant individuals and in Parkinson's disease, CNS glioma, multiple sclerosis, schizophrenia, primary generalised epilepsy, syndrome X, migraine, addiction, idiopathic basal ganglia calcification, anorexia nervosa, osteoarthritis,

spondylosis, acute coronary artery disease, essential hypertension, SSPE, neurolupus, acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, acid peptic disease, irritable bowel syndrome, gall stones, cirrhosis liver, inflammatory bowel disease, chronic bronchitis emphysema, interstitial lung disease, chronic renal failure, lone atrial fibrillation and bronchial asthma and was found to be reduced. In all these pathological and psychological states there is chemical right hemispheric dominance. Increased intracellular calcium can lead on to basal ganglia calcification. Increase in intracellular calcium can lead on to an increased calcium load in the bone and degenerative bone disease like cervical spondylosis. Increased digoxin can also contribute to the pathophysiology of CRF (chronic renal failure). Digoxin by the membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase inhibition that it produces can lead on to inhibition of the outward sodium flux and inhibition of the inward potassium flux as also leading on to an increased inward flux of calcium. This leads on to an abnormally high intracellular sodium concentration and hence to osmotically induced overhydration of the cell whereas the same cells are relatively deficient in potassium. Digoxin can alter the conduction of the cardiac SA node and AV node as well as the conducting tissue contributing to lone atrial fibrillation. Increase in bronchial smooth muscle calcium can contribute to bronchospasm in bronchial asthma. Similarly an increase in intestinal smooth muscle cell calcium can lead on to irritable bowel syndrome by producing intestinal smooth muscle contraction. Increased intracellular parietal cell calcium and reduced intracellular magnesium can lead on to increased gastric acid secretion. Increased intracellular calcium can also activate the G-protein coupled receptor histamine, which can lead on to increased gastric acid secretion. An upregulated isoprenoid pathway and increased cholesterol synthesis can lead on to the formation of gallstones. Hypomagnesemia can lead on to inhibition of gall bladder contraction and decreased water content of the bile contributing to the formation

of gall bladder sludge. Increased renal tubular cell calcium and accumulation of the shed renal tubular cell in the renal pelvis and ureter can lead on to the formation of renal stones.

The decrease in the activity of HMG CoA reductase in right handed individuals / left hemispheric dominant and in healthy aging, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, recurrent respiratory infections, osteoporosis, familial hypotension, low body-mass index and bulimia nervosa suggests a downregulation of the isoprenoid pathway. In spiritually non-inclined individuals, non-creative individuals, individuals without addictive behaviour, non-promiscuous individuals, individuals with gastronomic tendency, somnolent individuals and individuals with increased bonding and affection also there is a reduction in HMG CoA reductase activity and down regulation of the isoprenoid pathway. In all these psychological states there is chemical left hemispheric dominance. There is a marked decrease in plasma digoxin and dolichol and this decrease may be a consequence of decreased channeling of intermediates of the isoprenoid pathway for their biosynthesis. The decrease in endogenous digoxin, a potent inhibitor of membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, can increase this enzyme activity. In all these cases there was significant stimulation of the RBC membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase. The stimulation of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase by decrease in digoxin synthesis is known to cause a decrease in intracellular calcium resulting from decreased $\text{Na}^+\text{-Ca}^{++}$ exchange, decreased entry of calcium via the voltage gated calcium channel and decreased release of calcium from intracellular endoplasmic reticulum calcium stores. The increased intracellular magnesium related mitochondrial ATP synthesis results in increased calcium extrusion from the cell. There is thus a progressive stimulation of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase activity. High intracellular magnesium and low intracellular calcium consequent to $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation appear to be crucial to the pathophysiology of these diseases. Serum magnesium was

assessed in right handed / left hemispheric dominant individuals and the above mentioned psychological and pathological state and was found to be increased. Decrease in bone calcium load can lead on to osteoporosis.

Thus there are three different neurological states which correlates with various systemic diseases and psychological profiles. There is the hyperdigoxinemic right hemispheric dominant state, hypodigoxinemic left hemispheric dominant state and normodigoxinemic bihemispheric dominant / fluctuating dominant state.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin, Hemispheric Dominance and the Three Biological Humours in Ayurveda

The three states of biological humours described in Ayurveda have a correlation with hemispheric chemical dominance. The kapha state represents the right hemispheric dominant hyperdigoxinemic state. The pitta state represents the left hemispheric dominant hypodigoxinemic state. The vata state represents the bihemispheric dominant or fluctuating dominant normodigoxinemic state. The three states of hemispheric dominance - Vata, Pitta and Kapha can differentially regulate neuro-immuno-endocrine / cellular integration. It can thus regulate the predisposition to various systemic and neuropsychiatric diseases.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin and Regulation of Neurotransmitter Synthesis and Function - Cerebral Dominance and Three Biological Humours

The archaeon neurotransminoid shikimic acid pathway contributes to tryptophan and tyrosine synthesis and catabolism generating neurotransmitters and neuroactive alkaloids. There is increase in tryptophan and its catabolites and a reduction in tyrosine and its catabolites in the serum of left handed / right hemispheric dominant individuals. This could be due to the fact that digoxin can

regulate the neutral amino acid transport system with preferential promotion of tryptophan transport over tyrosine. The decrease in membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase activity in all the above psychological and pathological states could be due to the fact that the hyperpolarising neurotransmitters (dopamine, morphine and noradrenaline) are reduced and the depolarising neuroactive compounds (serotonin, strychnine, nicotine and quinolinic acid) are increased. The schizoid neurotransmitter pattern of reduced dopamine, noradrenaline and morphine and increased serotonin, strychnine and nicotine is common to left handed / right hemispheric dominant individuals and to all these pathological and psychological states and could predispose to their development. Quinolinic acid, an NMDA agonist can contribute to NMDA excitotoxicity reported in schizophrenia. Strychnine by blocking glycinergic transmission can contribute to the decreased inhibitory transmission in schizophrenia. Recent data suggest that the initial abnormality in schizophrenia involves a hypodopaminergic state and the low dopamine levels now observed agree with this. Nicotine by interacting with nicotinic receptors can facilitate the release of dopamine, promoting the dopaminergic transmission in the brain. This can explain the increased dopaminergic transmission in the presence of decreased dopamine levels. The increased serotonergic activity and reduced noradrenergic outflow from the locus coeruleus reported earlier in schizophrenia agrees with our finding of elevated serotonin and reduced noradrenaline levels. A schizophreniform type of psychosis is important in the genesis of irritable bowel syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease, bronchial asthma, acid peptic disease and immune mediated disorders like multiple sclerosis and SLE. In the presence of hypotnagesemia, the magnesium block on the NMDA receptor is removed leading to NMDA excitotoxicity. The increased presynaptic neuronal calcium can produce cyclic AMP dependent phosphorylation of synapsins resulting in increased neurotransmitter release into the synaptic junction and vesicular recycling.

Increased intracellular calcium in the post synaptic neuron can also activate the calcium dependent NMDA signal transduction. The plasma membrane neurotransmitter transporter (on the surface of the glial cell and presynaptic neuron) is coupled to a sodium gradient, which is disrupted by the inhibition of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, resulting in decreased clearance of glutamate by presynaptic and glial uptake at the end of synaptic transmission. By these mechanisms, inhibition $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase can promote glutamatergic transmission. The elevated levels of quinolinic acid, strychnine and serotonin can also contribute to NMDA excitotoxicity. Strychnine displaces glycine from its binding sites and inhibits glycinergic inhibitory transmission in the brain. The glycine is free to bind to the strychnine insensitive site of the NMDA receptor and promote excitatory NMDA transmission. Quinolinic acid and serotonin are also positive modulators of the NMDA receptor. Increased glutamatergic transmission resulting in excitotoxicity has been implicated in neuronal degeneration as observed in Parkinson's disease, primary generalised epilepsy, schizophrenia and AIDS dementia. Inhibition of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase can also result in defective neuronal membrane repolarisation and a paroxysmal depolarisation shift resulting in epileptogenesis. Increased nicotine synthesis can contribute to the pathophysiology of chronic bronchitis emphysema. Elevated levels of serotonin and nitric oxide production could contribute to increased incidence of migraine in right hemisphere dominant left handed individuals. Increased intracellular calcium can activate the gastrin and acetyl choline related gastric acid secretion. Increased intracellular calcium in the presynaptic neuron can promote cholinergic transmission. The increased presynaptic neuronal Ca^{++} can produce cyclic AMP dependent phosphorylation of synapsins resulting in increased neurotransmitter release into the synaptic junction and vesicular recycling. This promotes cholinergic vagal transmission promoting acid secretion and peptic ulcer formation. These neurotransmitter patterns can lead on to irritable bowel syndrome also. The increase in serotonin can contribute

to altered bowel motility in IBS. Serotonin blockers are useful in the treatment of IBS. Reduced morphine and dopamine levels can contribute to the pathogenesis of IBS. Studies have shown that there is endogenous synthesis of morphine from tyrosine and dopamine. Kappa and the opioid agonist are useful in the treatment of bowel motility disorders. The particular neurotransmitter patterns can inhibit gall bladder contractility contributing to formation of gallstones. Thus in the right hemisphere dominant hyperdigoxinemic state there is upregulated serotonergic, cholinergic and glutamatergic transmission and downregulated dopaminergic, glycinergic and noradrenergic transmission. This neurotransmitter patterns could also be correlated with psychological states. There was an increased tendency for spirituality in hyperdigoxinemic individuals. Temporal lobe epileptic phenomenon has been described in spiritual individuals. Increased glutamatergic transmission is associated with memory and intelligence. This can contribute to increased creativity. They had a tendency towards reduced appetite and eating behaviour. Increased serotonergic transmission can lead on to reduced appetite. There was also hypersexual behaviour, homosexuality and promiscuity in hyperdigoxinemic individuals. This could be related to increased production of nitric oxide in hyperdigoxinemic individuals consequent to induction of nitric oxide synthase by increased intracellular calcium. Nitric oxide has been related to erectile function. There was an increased tendency to addictive behaviour in hyperdigoxinemic individuals. Endogenous morphine deficiency has been related to addiction. Morphine synthesis is low because of low tyrosine levels. There was tendency to insomnia and reduced sleep. This could be related to reduced levels of morphine. There was less of bonding and affectionate behaviour. Bonding and affectionate behaviour has been related to dopamine and morphine. Dopamine and morphine deficiency in hyperdigoxinemic individuals could contribute to less of bonding and affectionate behaviour.

The results showed that the concentration of tryptophan, quinolinic acid, strychnine, nicotine and serotonin was found to be tower in the plasma of right handed / left hemispheric dominant individuals while that of tyrosine, morphine, dopamine and norepinephrine was higher. Thus there is a decrease in tryptophan and its catabolites and increase in tyrosine and its catabolites in the serum of right handed / left hemispheric dominant individuals and the above described psychological / pathological states. This could be due to the fact that digoxin can regulate the neutral amino acid transport system with preferential promotion of tryptophan transport over tyrosine and that digoxin levels are low in right handed / left hemispheric dominant individuals and in the above mentioned pathological / psychological states. The increase in membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase activity in these cases could be due to the fact that the hyperpolarising neurotransmitters (dopamine, morphine and noradrenaline) are increased and the depolarising neuroactive compounds (serotonin, strychnine, nicotine and quinolinic acid) are decreased. The low level of quinolinic acid, serotonin and strychnine can contribute to reduced excitatory glutamatergic transmission as they are all positive modulators of the NMDA receptor. In the presence of hypermagnesemia, the magnesium block on the NMDA receptor is strengthened leading on to reduced NMDA transmission. The decreased presynaptic neuronal calcium can produce reduced cyclic AMP dependent phosphorylation of synapsins resulting in decrease in glutamate release into the synaptic junction and vesicular recycling. The plasma membrane glutamate transporter (on the surface of the glial cell and presynaptic neuron) is coupled to the sodium gradient, which is activated by the stimulation of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, resulting in increased clearance of glutamate by presynaptic and glial uptake at the end of synaptic transmission. By these mechanisms, stimulation of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase can inhibit glutamatergic transmission. Reduced glutamatergic transmission can lead on to healthy aging and protect the brain from neuronal degeneration. The depressive syndrome noted

could be due to low serotonin. Decreased serotonergic transmission has been related to depression. The presence of OCD syndrome could also be related to serotonin depletion. Deficiency of serotonin can lead to increased appetite and eating behaviour resulting in bulimia nervosa. Dopamine and morphine has been related to bonding behaviour. Increased morphine and dopamine could lead to increased bonding and affectionate behaviour. Increased synthesis of morphine can also lead on to lack of addictive behaviour. Morphine deficiency has been related to addiction. The reduced glutamatergic transmission noted could be related to the average to normal IQ and creativity noticed. Dementia has also been related to depression and the phenomenon of pseudementia has been described. Decreased production of nitric oxide can lead on to hyposexual behaviour. Synthesis of NO has been related to erectile function. These behavioural patterns are suggestive of left hemispheric dominance.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin - Golgi Body / Lysosomal Function - Hemispheric Dominance

The archaeon glycosaminoglycoid and fructosoid contributes to glycoconjugate synthesis and catabolism by the process of fructolysis. The elevation in the level of dolichol in right hemispheric dominance may suggest its increased availability for N-glycosylation of proteins. Magnesium deficiency can lead on to defective metabolism of sphinganine producing its accumulation, which may lead to increased cerebroside and ganglioside synthesis. In magnesium deficiency the glycolysis, citric acid cycle and oxidative phosphorylation are blocked and more glucose 6-phosphate is channelled for the synthesis of glycosaminoglycans (GAG). The concentration of total GAG, different GAG fractions, carbohydrate component of the glycoproteins and glycolipids are increased in right hemispheric dominant individuals. Intracellular magnesium deficiency also results in defective ubiquitin dependent

proteolytic processing of glycoconjugates as it requires magnesium for its function. The increase in the activity of glycohydrolases and GAG degrading enzymes could be due to reduced lysosomal stability and consequent leakage of lysosomal enzymes into the serum. The increase in the concentration of carbohydrate components of glycoproteins and GAG in spite of increased activity of many glycohydrolases may be due to their possible resistance to cleavage by glycohydrolases consequent to qualitative change in their structure. Proteoglycan complexes formed in the presence of altered calcium / magnesium ratios intracellularly may be structurally usually abnormal and resistant to lysosomal enzymes and may accumulate.

Previous reports of alteration in glycoproteins in this connection include alteration in alpha acid glycoprotein (AAG) and beta amyloid precursor protein in epilepsy and Alzheimer's disease and alpha synuclein in Parkinson's disease. Structurally abnormal glycoproteins resist catabolism by lysosomal enzymes and accumulate in neuronal degeneration. Interaction between HS-proteoglycan and ChS-proteoglycan with proteins like beta amyloid, tau protein, parkin and alpha synuclein and reduced proteolytic digestion of these complexes leading On to their accumulation in the neurons have been reported in neurodegenerative diseases like Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease. Alteration in the sulphated proteoglycan matrix of the synaptic vesicles can alter neurotransmitter release into the synapse and produce a functional disorder like schizophrenia and epilepsy. Membrane $\text{Na}^+ - \text{K}^+$ ATPase inhibition can lead to defective notch signalling. Notch is a transmembrane protein that acts as a signal receptor and is important in neurogenesis. Neuronal growth by extending neurites and forming connections is regulated by the notch signalling pathway. The notch signalling inhibits extension of neurites and keep them stable in the mature brain. A notch ligand known as delta regulates neurogenesis by binding to notch in membranes of embryonal cells and prevents them from developing

along the neuronal pathway. Notch activation by the ligand causes notch to be cleaved releasing the notch intracellular domain. This then passes in to the nucleus and activates transcription as part of the DNA binding complex with CSL protein. Intracellular cleavage of the notch is regulated by presenilin and also depends upon the lysosomal protease. In the presence of a lysosomal instability consequent to defective lysosomal membranes notch cleavage by protease is defective leading on to functional disorders consequent to defective synaptic connectivity. The defective notch signalling pathway can lead to neuronal degeneration. Altered glycoproteins, glycolipids and GAG of the neuronal membrane can also contribute to schizophrenia and epilepsy by producing disordered synaptic connectivity. The protein processing defect can result in defective glycosylation of endogenous myelin glycoprotein antigens and exogenous viral glycoproteins antigens with consequent defective formation of MHC class-1 glycoprotein antigen complex. The MHC linked peptide transporter, a P-glycoprotein which transports the MHC class-1 glycoprotein antigen complex to the antigen presenting cell surface, has an ATP binding site. The peptide transporter is dysfunctional in the presence of magnesium deficiency. This results in defective transport the MHC class-1 glycoprotein antigen complex to the antigen presenting cell surface for recognition by the CD₄ or CD₈ cell. Defective presentation of the endogenous myelin glycoprotein antigen can explain the immune dysregulation in MS. A CD₈ MHC class-1 restricted immune dysregulatory defect has been described in MS. This can also explain the immune dysregulation in interstitial lung disease, nephrotic syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease sarcoidosis, rheumatoid arthritis and SLE (systemic lupus erythematosus). Defective presentation of exogenous viral antigens can produce immune evasion by the virus as in AIDS dementia and SSPE. Viral persistence has been implicated in the development of tumours (ebstein barr virus and lymphoma), multiple sclerosis (retro virus),

degenerations (Parkinson's disease and corona virus) and schizophrenia (borna virus disease). Altered myelin glycoprotein due to defective glycosylation and alteration in GAG of proteoglycans of myelin can affect the structural integrity of myelin leading on to demyelination. A number of fucose and sialic acid containing natural ligands are involved in trafficking of leukocytes and similar breaches in the blood brain barrier and adhesion of the lymphocyte producing leukocyte trafficking and extravasation in to the perivascular space as has been described in MS. Similar changes can explain the immune infiltration in bronchial asthma, sarcoidosis, interstitial lung disease, inflammatory bowel disease and SLE. A number of fucose and sialic acid containing natural ligands have been implicated in neoplastic transformation and metastasis. Abnormally glycosylated tumour antigens can lead to defective tumour antigen presentation and loss of immunosurveillance by the natural killer cells. Altered cell surface glycoproteins, glycolipids and GAG can lead to defective contact inhibition and oncogenesis. The MHC glycoproteins are involved in formation of synaptic connectivity during neuronal development. Defective formation and presentation of the MHC class-I neuronal glycoprotein complex can lead on to disordered synaptic connectivity and functional disorders like schizophrenia and epilepsy. Altered glycoproteins can affect the synaptic connectivity in the nerve plexus of the bowel wall contributing to irritable bowel syndrome. Magnesium deficiency can upregulate collagen and elastin synthesis along with glycoconjugates. This can contribute to the pathogenesis of fibrosis in ILD and cirrhosis of the liver. Increased glycoconjugate synthesis can interfere with the structure of the alveolar basement membrane contributing to the increased alveolar leakiness leading on to the formation of the intralveolar hyaline membrane in interstitial lung disease. Increased synthesis of sulphated glycosaminoglycans and alteration in the glomerular basement membrane can contribute to the pathogenesis of nephrotic syndrome by interfering with the

glomerular filtration barrier. Altered mucoproteins can affect the gastric mucosal barrier leading on to acid peptic disease. Non-mucin glycoproteins are pro-nucleating factors with regard to gallstone formation. Urine glycoproteins on the other hand have an inhibitory effect on renal stone formation. Altered glycoproteins lead to removal of these particular effects either inhibitory or stimulatory contributing to gallstones and renal stone formation. Altered proteoglycans of the articular surface of the joint can lead on to osteoarthritis as well as degenerative spondylosis of the spine. Thus in the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state there is reduced lysosomal stability, defective ubiquitin dependent proteolytic processing of proteins and alteration in glycoconjugate structure leading on to their defective catabolism and accumulation. There is also a defect in the MHC antigen presenting pathway leading on to immunodysregulation and viral persistence.

The decrease in the level of dolichol in right handed / left hemispheric dominant individuals and in healthy aging, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, recurrent respiratory infections, osteoporosis, familial hypotension, patients with low body mass index and bulimia nervosa may suggest its decreased availability for N-glycosylation of proteins. Magnesium excess can lead on to increased catabolism of sphinganine leading on to decreased cerebroside and ganglioside synthesis. In magnesium excess the glycolysis, citric acid cycle and oxidative phosphorylation are activated and less of glucose 6-phosphate is channelled for the synthesis of glycosaminoglycans (GAG). The results show a decrease in the concentration of serum total GAG, glycolipids (ganglioside, glycosyl diglyceride, cerebroside and sulphatides) and carbohydrate components of glycoproteins (hexose, fucose and sialic acid). The individual GAG fractions in the serum-heparan sulphate (HS), chondroitin sulphates (ChS), heparin (H), hyaluronic acid (HA) and dermatan sulphate (DS) are decreased in left hemisphere dominant individuals

(pathological/psychological). The activity of GAG degrading enzymes (beta glucuronidase, beta N-acetyl hexosaminidase, hyaluronidase and cathepsin-D) and that of glycohydrolases (beta galactosidase, beta fucosidase and beta glucosidase) showed significant decrease in the serum in hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant states. Intracellular magnesium excess also results in increased ubiquitin dependent proteolytic processing of glycoconjugates as it requires magnesium for its function. The decrease in the activity of glycohydrolases and GAG degrading enzymes could be due to increased lysosomal stability. Defective lysosomal stability and defective degradation of glycoprotein - GAG complexes as in the case of tau protein / amyloid - HS proteoglycan complexes in Alzheimer's disease can lead on to brain aging. Membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation could protect against neuronal aging. A number of fucose and sialic acid containing natural ligands have been implicated in inflammatory responses and neoplastic transformation. The decrease in fucose and sialic acid noted in these cases could inhibit a protective inflammatory response to the virus or bacteria leading on to recurrent respiratory infection. Decrease in fucose and sialic acid could also protect against malignant transformation. The reduction in glycoconjugate could also result in increased osteoporosis as it affects the structure of the bone matrix. Thus in the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state there is increased lysosomal stability, increased ubiquitin dependent proteolytic processing of proteins and alteration in glycoconjugate metabolism leading to decrease in the levels of glycolipids, the carbohydrate component of glycoproteins and glycosaminoglycans. There is no viral persistence but a resulting hypimmune state contributing to recurrent respiratory infections.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin and Alteration in Membrane Structure and Membrane Formation - Relation to Hemispheric Dominance

The archaeon steroidelle, glycosaminoglycoid and fructosoid contribute to cell membrane formation synthesizing cholesterol by the DXP pathway and glycosaminoglycans by fructolysis. The alteration in the isoprenoid pathway specifically, cholesterol as well as changes in glycoproteins and GAG can affect cellular membranes. The upregulation of the isoprenoid pathway in right hemispheric dominant individuals can lead to increased cholesterol synthesis and magnesium deficiency can inhibit phospholipid synthesis. Phospholipid degradation is increased owing to increase in intracellular calcium activating phospholipases A₂ and D. The cholesterol: phospholipid ratio of the RBC membrane was increased in right hemispheric dominance individuals. The concentration of total GAG, hexose and fucose of glycoprotein decreased in the RBC membrane and increased in the serum suggesting their reduced incorporation into the membrane and defective membrane formation. The glycoproteins, GAG and glycolipids of the cellular membrane are formed in the endoplasmic reticulum, which is then budded off as a vesicle, which fuses with the golgi complex. The glycoconjugates are then transported via the golgi channel and the golgi vesicle fuses with the cell membrane. This trafficking depends upon GTPases and lipid kinases, which are crucially dependent on magnesium and are defective in magnesium deficiency. The change in membrane structure produced by alteration in glycoconjugates and the cholesterol: phospholipid ratio can produce changes in the conformation Na⁺-K⁺ ATPase resulting in further membrane Na⁺-K⁺ ATPase inhibition. The same changes can affect the structure of the organelle membrane. This results in defective lysosomal stability and leakage of glycohydrolases and GAG degrading enzymes into the serum. Increased release of lysosomal enzymes can contribute to proteolytic destruction in chronic bronchitis and emphysema,

osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis. Defective peroxisomal membranes lead to catalase dysfunction, which has been documented in these disorders. Alteration in the alveolar basement membrane can contribute to ILD and the glomerular basement membrane and filtration barrier to nephrotic syndrome. Similar changes in the membrane of the cardiac conducting tissue can contribute to lone atrial fibrillation. Changes in the composition of the neuronal membranes can predispose to epilepsy and functional disorders like schizophrenia. Thus in the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state there is defective membrane formation, membrane structure and function.

The downregulation of the isoprenoid pathway in right handed / left hemispheric dominant individuals and in healthy aging, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, recurrent respiratory infections, osteoporosis, familial hypotension, patients with low body mass index and bulimia nervosa can lead to decreased cholesterol synthesis and magnesium excess can stimulate phospholipid synthesis. Phospholipid degradation is decreased owing to decrease in intracellular calcium inhibiting phospholipase A₂ and ID. The cholesterol: phospholipid ratio of the RBC membrane was decreased in hypodigoxinemia. The concentration of total GAG, hexose and fucose of glycoprotein increased in the RBC membrane and decreased in the serum suggesting their increased incorporation into the membrane and defective membrane formation. The membrane trafficking depends upon GTPases and lipid kinases, which are crucially dependent on magnesium and are activated in magnesium excess. The change in membrane structure produced by alteration in glycoconjugates and the cholesterol: phospholipid ratio can produce changes in the conformation of Na⁺-K⁺ ATPase resulting in further membrane Na⁺-K⁺ ATPase stimulation. The same changes can affect the structure of organelle membrane. This results in increased lysosomal stability. Altered peroxisomal membranes could lead to catalase hyperactivity noticed in hypodigoxinemic states. Thus there is increased

membrane formation and increased stability of membrane of the cellular organelle in the left hemisphere dominant hypodigoxinemic state.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin and Mitochondrial Function - Relation to Cerebral Dominance

The archaeon vitaminocyte contributes to the synthesis of ubiquinone and mitochondrial electron transport chain function. The mitochondrial function related free radical generation is regulated by the archaeon vitaminocyte synthesized tocopherol and ascorbic acid. The concentration of ubiquinone decreased significantly in left handed / right hemispheric dominant individuals which may be the result of low tyrosine levels, reported in most of the disorders, consequent to digoxin's effect in preferentially promoting tryptophan transport over tyrosine. The aromatic ring portion of ubiquinone is derived from tyrosine. Ubiquinone, which is an important component of the mitochondrial electron transport chain, is a membrane antioxidant and contributes to free radical scavenging. The increase in intracellular calcium can open the mitochondrial PT pore causing a collapse of the hydrogen gradient across the inner membrane and uncoupling of the respiratory chain. Intracellular magnesium deficiency can lead to a defect in the function of ATP synthase. All this leads to defects in mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation, incomplete reduction of oxygen and generation of the superoxide ion, which produces lipid peroxidation. Ubiquinone deficiency also leads to reduced free radical scavenging. The increase in intracellular calcium may lead to increased generation of NO by inducing the enzyme nitric oxide synthase which combines with the superoxide radical to form peroxynitrite. Increased calcium also can activate phospholipase A₂ resulting in increased generation of arachidonic acid which can undergo increased lipid peroxidation. Increased generation of free radicals like the superoxide ion, and hydroxyl radical can produce lipid peroxidation and cell

membrane damage which can further inactivate $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, triggering the cycle of free radical generation once again. Magnesium deficiency can affect glutathione synthetase and glutathione reductase function. The mitochondrial superoxide dismutase leaks out and becomes dysfunctional with calcium related opening of the mitochondrial PT pore and outer membrane rupture. The peroxisomal membrane is defective owing to the membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase inhibition related defect in membrane formation and leads to reduced catalase activity. Mitochondrial dysfunction related free radical generation has been implicated in the pathogenesis of the neuronal degeneration, oncogenesis and immune mediated disorders. Increased free radical generation can lead on to immune activation important in immune mediated diseases like interstitial lung disease, bronchial asthma, sarcoidosis, inflammatory bowel disease, systemic lupus erythematosus, rheumatoid arthritis, nephrotic syndrome and multiple sclerosis. Mitochondrial dysfunction can lead on to Reye's syndrome. The increased intracellular calcium and ceramide related opening of the mitochondrial PT pore also leads to volume dysregulation of the mitochondria, causing hyperosmolality of the matrix and expansion of the matrix space. The outer membrane of the mitochondria ruptures and releases apoptosis inducing factor and cytochrome C into the cytoplasm. This results in activation of caspase-9 and caspase-3. Caspase-9 can produce apoptosis of the cell. Apoptosis has been implicated in neuronal degeneration. Apoptosis can produce defective synaptogenesis and synaptic connectivity contributing to functional disorders like schizophrenia and epilepsy. Apoptosis of the CD_4 cell can contribute to CD_4 depletion in the acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. Oligodendrocyte (the myelin forming cell) apoptosis is crucial to the pathogenesis of MS. Hepatocyte apoptosis can contribute to cell death in cirrhosis of the liver. Caspase-3 activation can cleave P_{21} involved in linking DNA duplication to cell division resulting in a polyploid cell and oncogenesis.

We have been able to demonstrate neuronal degeneration and apoptosis in the digoxin injected rat brain. Thus in the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state there is a defect in mitochondrial function and increased free radical generation and reduced scavenging. There is also increased apoptosis.

The concentration of ubiquinone increased significantly in right handed / left hemispheric dominant individuals which may be the result of increased tyrosine levels, consequent to digoxin deficiency promoting tyrosine transport over tryptophan. The decrease in intracellular calcium can stabilise the mitochondrial PT pore and improve mitochondrial function. Intracellular magnesium excess can lead to an increase in the activity of ATP synthase. All this leads to improved efficiency in mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation and reduced free radical generation. Ubiquinone excess also leads to increased free radical scavenging. The decrease in intracellular calcium may lead to decreased generation of NO by inhibiting the enzyme nitric oxide synthase and reduced peroxynitrite formation. Decreased calcium also can inhibit phospholipase. A₂ resulting in decreased generation of arachidonic acid and free radical formation. Decreased generation of free radicals like the superoxide ion and hydroxyl radical can stabilise the cell membrane and stimulate membrane Na⁺-K⁺ ATPase. There was decrease in lipid peroxidation as evidenced from the decrease in the concentration of MDA, conjugated dienes, hydroperoxides and NO with increased antioxidant protection as indicated by increase in ubiquinone and increased reduced glutathione in hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant individuals. The activity of enzymes involved in free radical scavenging like superoxide dismutase, catalase, glutathione peroxidase and glutathione reductase is increased suggesting increased free radical scavenging. The peroxisomal membrane is stabilised owing to membrane Na⁺-K⁺ ATPase stimulation related alteration in membrane formation and this leads to increased catalase activity. Glutathione is synthesized by the enzyme glutathione synthetase, which needs magnesium and ATP. The

high intracellular magnesium consequent to $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation and the resulting increased ATP can result in increased synthesis of glutathione. Glutathione peroxidase, a selenium containing enzyme oxidises reduced glutathione (GSH) to oxidised glutathione (GSSG) which is rapidly reduced to GSH by glutathione reductase. There is also a concomitant conversion of H_2O_2 to H_2O . The activity of glutathione reductase needs NADPH for the regeneration of GSH. This NADPH comes mostly from the pentose phosphate pathway. Intracellular magnesium excess due to membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation leads to increased formation of glucose 6-phosphate and upregulation of the pentose phosphate pathway with consequent increased generation of NADPH. Thus glutathione system of free radical scavenging is activated in the presence of membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation. Superoxide dismutase exists in a mitochondrial and cytoplasmic form. The stabilisation of the mitochondrial PT pore consequent to reduced intracellular calcium produces increased efficiency of superoxide dismutase activity. The increase in catalase, superoxide dismutase (SOD), glutathione peroxidase and glutathione reductase suggests increased free radical protection. This leads to decreased incidence of neuronal degeneration and oncogenesis in the hypodigoxinemic individuals. Free radicals are required for lymphocyte activation and this leads to a hypoimmune response and increased respiratory infection owing to immunodeficiency. The decreased intracellular calcium and ceramide related stabilisation of the mitochondrial PT pore also leads to down regulation of the apoptotic program and reduced apoptosis. The stabilisation of the mitochondria leads to reduced release of apoptosis inducing factor and cytochrome C into the cytoplasm. This results in inactivation of caspase-9 and caspase-3. Inhibition of apoptosis protects against neuronal aging. Caspase-3 inactivation inhibits P_{21} cleavage and protects against oncogenesis. Thus the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state has improved

efficiency of mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation, reduced generation of free radicals, increased free radical scavenging and reduced apoptosis.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin and Immunoregulation - Relation to Cerebral Dominance

In left handed / right hemispheric dominant individuals increased intracellular calcium activates the calcium dependent calcineurin signal transduction pathway which can produce T-cell activation and secretion of interleukin-3, 4, 5, 6 and TNF alpha. TNF alpha binds to its receptor TNFR1 and activates the transcription factors NF κ B and AP-1 leading to the induction of proinflammatory and immunomodulatory genes. This can also explain the immune activation in MS. TNF alpha can also bring about apoptosis of the cell. It binds to its receptor and activates caspase-9, an ICE protease which converts IL-1 beta precursor to IL-1 beta. IL-1 beta produces apoptosis of the neurons (in Alzheimer's disease and AIDS dementia), the oligodendrocyte - the myelin forming cell in MS and the CD₄ cell in HIV infection. IL-1 beta and TNF alpha induce HIV protein expression by transcription related mechanism and contributes to the pathogenesis of AIDS dementia. Similar digoxin mediated immune activation can play a role in migraine, interstitial lung disease, sarcoidosis, bronchial asthma, inflammatory bowel disease, nephrotic syndrome and immune complex diseases like SLE. Membrane Na⁺-K⁺ ATPase inhibition can produce immune activation and is reported to increase CD₄/CD₈ ratios as exemplified by the action of lithium. The hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state results in immune activation.

In the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state decreased intracellular calcium inactivates the calcium dependent calcineurin signal transduction pathway involved in T-cell activation and resulting in decreased secretion of interleukin - 3, 4, 5, 6 and TNF alpha. TNF alpha can also bring

about apoptosis of the cell and this is inhibited. Low levels of TNF alpha can lead to immunosuppression. This can explain the immunosuppression and increased rate of respiratory infection. In the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominance there is a tendency for immunosuppression.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin and Regulation of Cell Division, Genomic Function, Cell Proliferation and Neoplastic Transformation - Relation to Cerebral Dominance

Intracellular magnesium depletion can produce defective phosphorylation of MAP (microtubule associated proteins). This results in defective microtubule related spindle fibre dysfunction and chromosomal non-disjunction probably contributing to trisomy 21 and polyploidy. Intracellular magnesium depletion can lead on to defect in the proof reading function of DNA polymerase. This leads on to the genesis of trinucleotide repeats in Huntington's disease. In intracellular magnesium deficiency there is also defective protein transcription owing to ribosomal dysfunction. Thus the hyperdigoxinemic state is associated with genomic instability owing to the intracellular hypomagnesemia it produces. The reverse holds good for the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state. Because of increase in intracellular magnesium there is genomic stability.

In the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state increased intracellular calcium activates phospholipase C beta which results in increased production of diacylglycerol (DAG) with resultant activation of protein kinase C. The protein kinase C (PKC) activates the MAP kinase cascade resulting in cellular proliferation. The decreased intracellular magnesium can produce dysfunction of GTPase activity of the alpha-subunit of G-protein. This results in ras oncogene activation, as more of the ras is bound to GTP rather than GDP. Phosphorylation mechanisms are required for the activation of the tumours suppressor gene P₅₃. The activation of P₅₃ is impaired owing to intracellular

magnesium deficiency producing a phosphorylation defect. Upregulation of isoprenoid pathway can result in increased production of farnesyl phosphate which can farnesylate the ras oncogene producing its activation. Ubiquitin system of catabolic processing of proteins is important in DNA repair mechanism. In the presence of intracellular magnesium deficiency ubiquitin protein catabolic processing and DNA repair mechanisms are defective and this could contribute to oncogenesis. In the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state there is oncogene activation and increased cell proliferation.

In the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state high intracellular magnesium and low intracellular calcium consequent to $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation appears to be crucial to protection against oncogenesis. Decreased intracellular calcium inactivates phospholipase C beta which results in decreased production of diacylglycerol with resultant inactivation of protein kinase C. The protein kinase C activation of the MAP kinase cascade is inhibited resulting in blockade of cellular proliferation. The increased intracellular magnesium can produce increase in the GTPase activity of the alpha-subunit of G-protein. This results in ras oncogene inactivation, as more of the ras is bound to GDP rather than GTP. Phosphorylation mechanisms required for the activation of the tumour suppressor gene P_{53} is increased owing to intracellular magnesium excess producing increased phosphorylation. Downregulation of isoprenoid pathway can result in decreased production of farnesyl phosphate, which is required for ras oncogene activation. Therefore the ras oncogene is inactivated. In the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state there is a tendency for oncogene inactivation and inhibition of cellular proliferation.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin and the Metabolic Regulation - Relation to Cerebral Dominance

In the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state there is inhibition of $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase, which can explain the pathogenesis of syndrome X. Increased TNF alpha as mentioned above consequent to $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase inhibition related T-cell activation can contribute to insulin resistance in syndrome X at the receptor level. Decrease in intracellular magnesium can block the phosphorylation reactions involved in protein tyrosine kinase receptor activity leading to insulin resistance. Increase in beta cell calcium can contribute to increased insulin release from beta cells and hyperinsulinemia. Increased intracellular calcium can activate the G-protein coupled signal transduction of the contra insulin hormones (growth hormone and glucagon) leading to hyperglycemia. Decreased intracellular magnesium can lead on to a mitochondrial ATP synthase defect. Increased intracellular calcium can open up the mitochondrial PT pore, disrupt the hydrogen gradient across the inner membrane and block mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation. Also this leads to defective glucose utilization and hyperglycemia. Increase in intracellular calcium can activate 0-protein coupled angiotensin receptor producing hypertension and G-protein coupled thrombin receptor and platelet activating factor producing thrombosis observed in syndrome X. $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase inhibition related increased smooth muscle calcium and decreased magnesium can contribute to vasospasm and ischaemia observed in stroke, coronary artery disease and mesenteric artery occlusion. $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase inhibition related altered glycoprotein and GAG can contribute to the microangiopathy and macroangiopathy observed in syndrome X. Metabolic syndrome X could be visualised as due to hypothalamic archaeal digoxin hypersecretion. In hypomagnesemia there is inhibition of lipoprotein lipase and decrease catabolism of triglyceride rich lipoprotein resulting in hypertriglycerdemia.

Also magnesium deficiency leads to inhibition of lecithin cholesterol acyl transferase (LCAT) producing decreased formation of cholesterol esters in HDL. This leads on to the dyslipidemia of syndrome X with elevated triglyceride and low HDL cholesterol levels. Digoxin induced hyperinsulinemia and hypertriglyceridemia produces the trunkal obesity in syndrome X. In the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state glucose metabolism and utilisation is impaired consequent to insulin resistance as also there is a tendency for vasospasm and thrombosis.

In the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state stimulation $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase can also lead to metabolic abnormalities. Hypermagnesemia consequent to membrane $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation can lead on to increased cell membrane transport of glucose. Increase in intracellular magnesium can activate the phosphorylation reactions involved in protein tyrosine kinase receptor activity leading to increased insulin receptor activity. Increase in intracellular magnesium can lead on to stimulation of glycolysis causing increased glucose utilization. Decrease in intracellular calcium can stabilise the mitochondrial PT pore and stimulate mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation. Intracellular magnesium excess can also lead to a ATPase synthase hyperactivity. This leads to increased glucose utilisation. Decrease in beta cell calcium can contribute to decreased insulin release from beta cells and hypoinsulinemia. Hypermagnesemia has been reported to markedly decreased glucose stimulated insulin Secretion by the perfused pancreas. Increased intracellular magnesium can produce hyperactivity of lipoprotein lipase producing increased catabolism of triglycerides rich lipoproteins and hypotriglyceridemia. In hypermagnesemia lecithin cholesterol acyl transferase is activated and there is increased formation of cholesterol esters in HDL. This results in increased HDL cholesterol. Magnesium excess has been reported to decrease LDL cholesterol levels also. Low insulin levels and increased

triglyceride catabolism can be correlated with low body mass index. Decreased intracellular calcium can inactivate the G-protein coupled angiotensin receptor producing hypotension and the G-protein coupled thrombin receptor and platelet activating factor producing decreased thrombosis observed in hypodigoxinemic state. Increased intracellular magnesium can lead to decreased thrombin and ADP/collagen induced platelet aggregation. $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation related decreased smooth muscle calcium and increased magnesium can contribute to vasodilatation and protect from ischaemia due to stroke and coronary artery disease. This can also lead on to a hypotensive state and familial hypotension. $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation induced hypermagnesemia related altered glycoprotein and glycosaminoglycan synthesis can contribute to the decreased atherosclerosis. Thus in the hypodigoxinemic left hemisphere dominant state there is increased efficiency of mitochondrial oxidative phosphorylation, increased glucose utilisation with hypercatabolism of triglyceride rich lipoproteins low body mass index and decreased vascular thrombosis. This leads on healthy aging. In the left hemisphere dominant hypodigoxinemic state there is an endogenous morphine excess syndrome. Morphine has been reported to have an effect on glucose metabolism. In mice, subcutaneous administration of morphine has been shown to produce a dose-dependent hyperglycemia, while intrathecal administration of much lower concentration in the lumbar region caused a dose dependent hypoglycemia. These effects are thought to be due to an insulin independent mechanism mediated through spinal opiate and central alpha-adrenergic receptor stimulation. The effect of morphine on pancreatic glucagon release has been hypothesized to result from suppression of somatostatin and concurrent release of the alpha cell from tonic inhibition leading to an increase in glucagon secretion. Glucagon is the most potent mediator of morphine induced hyperglycemia. Morphine can regulate insulin release from the beta cells with

both an inhibitory effect and stimulatory effect being reported. Morphine induced hyperglycemia would involve activation of pituitary adrenal axis, endocrine pancreas and endogenous opioid peptides. Morphine can also act as a vasodilator contributing to hypotension. Morphine has also got an immunosuppressive action. This could contribute to increased incidence of respiratory infections in the left hemispheric dominant state.

Endosymbiotic Archaeal Digoxin and Regulation of the Immune Response to Viral Infection - Relation to Cerebral Dominance

The same biochemical $\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase related cascade described above could contribute to the acquired immunodeficiency syndrome in hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state. There is increased incidence of neoplasms like non-Hodgkin's lymphomas and vasculitis in the acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. Neuronal degenerations like AIDS dementia has been related to glutamate excitotoxicity. An AIDS related schizophreniform psychosis has been described. Polyclonal beta-cell proliferation and lymphadenopathy have been described in AIDS. Digoxin induced calcineurin signal transduction mediated T-cell activation and polyclonal B-cell proliferation can contribute to HIV-1 replication. Digoxin induced T-cell activation can lead on to a secretion of TNF-alpha which induces the immunomodulatory transcription factor NF κ B. Chief among the inducible cellular proteins that promote the growth of HIV-1 is transcription factor NF κ B. HIV-1 has incorporated two such NF κ B binding-enhancer elements into its own genome, which allows the triggering of HIV-1 transcription in the presence of nuclear NF κ B. Digoxin induced protein glycosylation defects can also lead to defective glycosylation of HIV glycoprotein antigens leading on to defective formation of HIV glycoprotein antigen-MHC complex for presentation to CD₄ cell. This results in immune evasion by the virus and could also contribute to the persistence of herpes virus

and ebstein barr virus producing Kaposi's sarcoma and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma respectively. In hyperdigoxinemia the intracellular magnesium excess results in Z to B transition of DNA and defective methylation of DNA bases leading on to retroviral transposon expression. Hypothalamic structural abnormalities have been described in homosexuals predisposed to the development of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. In the hyperdigoxinemic right hemisphere dominant state there is a tendency for viral persistence consequent to defective processing of viral proteins and defective immune response to the virus.

Modulation of the hypo - and hyperdigoxinemic state Treatment of hyperdigoxinemic state:

- (1) Digoxin antibodies
- (2) HMG CoA reductase inhibitors
- (3) Polyphenolic compounds
- (4) Free radical scavengers (Vitamin F, Co-enzyme Q, selenium, Vitamin C)
- (5) Magnesium supplementation
- (6) Taurine and tyrosine supplementation
- (7) Vanadium supplementation
- (8) Yoga and Reiki healing
- (9) Visualisation therapy
- (10) High fibre high medium chain triglyceride diet
- (11) Use of pulse magnetic fields TMF: the pulse magnetic fields used is of the order 400-800 nT which is only a small fraction of the earth's magnetic fields which is about 100000 nT. This leads on to membrane

$\text{Na}^+\text{-K}^+$ ATPase stimulation and increase in intracellular magnesium and a reduction.

(12) Addition of phospholipid

(13) Electro convulsive therapy

(14) Pranayama - Left nasal breathing

Treatment of the hypodigoxinemic state:

(1) Digoxin therapy

(2) Lithium therapy

(3) Addition of drugs to increase cholesterol synthesis - saturated fats

(4) Addition of cholesterol

(5) Cryo therapy

(6) Pranayama - right nasal breathing

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