# Functional isotope imaging evaluation of terutroban efficiency in a proinflammatory rat model of subarachnoid haemorrhage (SAH)

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# BACKGROUND

- Delayed cerebral ischaemia (DCI) is the first cause of morbidity after subarachnoid haemorrhage (SAH) [1].
- F2isoprostanes and eicosanoids were found in the cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) of patients with DCI. These potent vasoconstrictors induce platelet aggregation and mediate inflammation[2] by a thrombox aneprostaglandine (TP) receptor binding.
- The aim of our study was first to estimate the occurrence of DCI in a proinflammatory state using an high omega 6 polyunsaturated fatty acid (w6) diet and secondly to evaluate the efficiency of terutroban (TER) a TP receptor inhibitor.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

- Ninety wistar rats (400g) were randomly assigned to one of 5 groups: a double 250µL intracistemal injection of autologous arterial blood (SAH groups) or artificial CSF (CSF group) was performed [3].
- To induce a proinflammatory state animals were fat with w6 during 6 weeks before SAH procedure (SAH\_w6/SAH\_w6+TER). TER was administered (30mg/kg/day) during 5 days following SAH (SAH+TER/SAH w6+TER groups).
- Evaluation of uptakes of 3 [99mTc] radiolabeled agents was achieved using microSPECT/CT imaging: HMPAO at D5 for cerebral perfusion quantification; DTPA at D3 for blood brain barrier (BBB) integrity study; and AnnexinV at D4 for apoptotic activity study. ANOVA followed by Student's t test.



[Percutaneous puncture of the cisterna magna between the occiput and the atlas with the head held in a stereotaxic frame]



[microSPECT/CT imaging]



## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

- HMPAO uptake analysis showed a significant decrease in the SAH group (figure).
- DTPA and AnnexinV uptake were also significantly increased in the SAH group compare to the CSF group. Proinflammatory state before SAH dramatically decreased HMPAO uptake (figure); increased DTPA (0.37±0.04 vs. 0.43±0.01 Mbeq/mm3; P< 0.05) and AnnexinV (0.39±0.03 vs. 0.48±0.03 Mbeq/mm3; P< 0.05).</li>
- TER significantly counteracted the decrease in HMPAO uptake (figure) and the increase in DTPA uptake (P< 0.05) and in AnnexinV uptake (P< 0.001) induced by SAH.



[ROIs of uptake analysis: A, Cerebral hemispheres; B, Cerebellum; C, Brainstem]



[Brainstem 99mTcHMPAO uptake at D5 expressed in % of D0]

## CONCLUSION

- For the first time, a proinflammatory SAH rat model of DCI has been described. microSPECT study shows that a proinflammatory diet dramatically increases apoptosis and DCI.
- TER improved hypoperfusion, BBB disruption and apoptosis. TP receptor antagonists could be promising treatments after SAH.



