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Development of an Enzyme Immunoassay for Quantitative Analysis of 12-*O*-Acetylphorbol 13-decanoate

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【目的】 12-*O*-Acetylphorbol 13-decanoate from the seeds of *Croton tiglium* was found to inhibit HIV-induced cytopathic effect (CPE) on MT-4 cells without activation of protein kinase C (PKC). In view of its significant implications for chemotherapy of AIDS, we aimed to develop a sensitive, specific, and efficient analytical method-an enzyme immunoassay, for its quantification.

【方法】 Two haptens with spacers of different lengths at C-20 of 12-*O*-acetylphorbol 13-decanoate were prepared by reacting with succinic anhydride or adipoyl chloride. Then they were coupled with bovine serum albumin (BSA) as well as β -galactosidase via an *N*-hydroxysuccinimide ester method to give immunogens and labeled antigens, respectively. Next, two sets of antisera were generated by subcutaneous injections of each phorbol-BSA conjugates into female albino rabbits. Subsequently, the EIA was performed based on a double-antibody principle throughout the experiment.

【結果・考察】 The linear working range of the EIA could reach as low as 0.05-50 ng/tube, while spacer heterogeneous combinations of the antisera and labeled antigens showed higher sensitivities than homogeneous combinations. Besides, the antisera exhibited low cross-reactivities with related phorbol derivatives and no cross-reactivities at all with isophorbol derivatives. This result provided a solid foundation for the ongoing pharmacokinetic studies of 12-*O*-acetylphorbol 13-decanoate.