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Plenary Lecture



Dr. Alan Hargens, PhD

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Dr. Hargens is Professor and Director of the Orthopaedic Clinical Physiology Lab at the University of California, San Diego. He previously served as Chief of the Space Physiology Branch and Space Station Project Scientist at NASA Ames Research Center and as Consulting Professor of Human Biology at Stanford University. He teaches orthopaedic residents, medical students and graduate and undergraduate students at UC-San Diego. His recent research concerns gravity effects on the cardiovascular and musculoskeletal systems of humans and animals. He has edited ten books, published more than 300 peer-reviewed articles and 60 chapters and holds eight patents. Two of his students were astronauts. One flew on the Space Shuttle five times and was the first astronaut to climb to the top of Mt Everest. The other spent 6 months on the International Space Station, grew and ate vegetables in space and returned to Earth in 2015. Dr Hargens is the PI of two current space flight projects on the International Space Station: “Risk of Intervertebral Disc Damage after Prolonged Space Flight” and “Fluid Distribution before,

during and after Prolonged Space Flight”, the most complicated and crew-intensive investigation on the International Space Station to date. He also investigates exercise devices to maintain astronaut health and performance in space. This research is translated to help post-surgical treatment and rehabilitation of orthopaedic patients and to improve performance of athletes. His recent awards include a Citation Award from the American College of Sports Medicine and the Distinguished Public Service Medal, NASA’s highest award.

Artificial Gravity Exercise for Deep-Space Missions

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In general terms, mechanisms responsible for physiologic adaptations to the microgravity of space include: 1) loss of hydrostatic (gravitational) pressures within fluid columns of the body such as arterial and venous blood, cerebrospinal fluid and lymph, 2) loss of body weight and greatly-reduced mechanical loads, 3) decreased sensory inputs, and 4) altered transcapillary and lymphatic pressures as well as fluid transport. Normal daily activity on Earth involves about 16 hours of upright posture with activity. The remaining part of the day consists of about eight hours of sleep without axial loading. In actual microgravity, daily weight-bearing activities (sitting, walking, running and stair climbing) are minimal. The greater compression of tissues on Earth due to body weight increases interstitial fluid pressures and probably dehydrates tissues due to greater interstitial flow into the microcirculation. The recently-defined Space Flight Associated Neuro-Ocular syndrome, or SANS, is evidenced by visual changes in astronauts during prolonged space flight. SANS is an example of a maladaptive outcome of microgravity such as bone loss and muscle atrophy that may persist long after return to Earth, perhaps permanently. Countermeasures for prolonged space travel should include integrated cardiovascular and musculoskeletal exercises to reproduce normal, daily Earth-like stresses. Until a validated human centrifuge is available, lower body negative pressure (LBNP) is a physiologic and integrated countermeasure for deep-space travel. Our long-term objectives are to: 1) promote crew health and well-being inflight, 2) optimize post-flight rehabilitation and translate our findings for Earth benefit. Supported by grants from NASA and NIH.

Session 1



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Prof. Junji Fukuda is a full professor at the Faculty of Engineering, Yokohama National University, Japan. He obtained Ph.D in 2003 at Chemical Engineering Department, Kyushu University, Japan. His research area has been in the synthesis, processing, and evaluation of new biomaterials for Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine. His lab is currently developing technologies to transfer cells from a culture surface based on electrochemical reactions and fabricate vascularized tissues with appropriate microarchitectures. His lab is also working on a research project to generate hair organoids in vitro for hair regenerative medicine. He has published 93 peer reviewed papers, 38 book chapters, more than 50 proceedings for international meetings, and 35 patent/disclosure applications. His work has been published in journals such as Biomaterials, Lab on a chip, Analytical Chemistry, and Scientific Reports. He is currently a member of the BioMEMS Technical Activities Committee for the IEEE-Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society.

Engineering 3D tissues *in vitro*.

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Oxygen is a fundamental factor in engineering three-dimensional tissues and organs. We have developed a spheroid microarray device with oxygen permeable silicone rubber where cells form a large number of spheroids with uniform diameter in spatially-aligned microwells under improved oxygen supply. In the culture device, hepatic, pancreatic, and cardiac spheroids showed better functions compared to that made with non-oxygen permeable plastic. Self-organization of two types of hair follicle stem cells was also observed in the device, resulting in spontaneous formation of hair follicle germs with efficient hair regeneration activity after transplantation. These aggregates can be used as small tissues for transplantation, but also useful as building blocks for engineering larger tissues. In engineering larger tissues, the lack of fabrication strategy of perfusable vascular networks is a fundamental barrier. Such approaches should be designed by considering not only oxygen supply to entire tissues, but also minimizing oxygen shortage during the fabrication processes at the beginning. We have proposed a rapid vasculature fabrication approach. In this approach, an electrochemically cleavable oligopeptide was used for cell transfer from a gold-coated culture surface to a hydrogel. By transferring vascular endothelial cell layer from gold-coated needles with this electroactive oligopeptide, we fabricated vascular-like structures whose internal surface was covered with endothelial cells in a hydrogel within 7 min. The endothelial cells transferred were then migrated and formed luminal structures in the hydrogel, leading to formation of perfusable macro- and micro-vascular networks. Furthermore, we prepared spheroids with iPS-derived hepatic endoderm and encapsulated them between the vasculatures, resulting in functional liver tissues with vascular networks. This simple and versatile approach is potentially applicable for engineering three-dimensional thick tissues and organs *in vitro*.



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Professor Sung Joon Kim is the Chair-Professor of Department of Physiology and Department of Biomedical Sciences at Seoul National University College of Medicine (SNUCM). Dr. Kim received M.D. in 1991 and Ph.D. in Physiology (smooth muscle and ion channel) in 1997 from SNUCM. He is leading Cardio-Vascular and Ion Channel physiology (CIVIC) Laboratory at SNUCM. He is serving as the vice-Chief Editor of Korean Journal of Physiology & Pharmacology, and also as an editorial board of Pflugers Archiv-European Journal of Physiology. Since 1997, he has published more than 150 papers in the peer-reviewed international journals.

His current research interests are, 1) pulmonary arterial pathophysiology, 2) right heart failure-associated changes in cardiomyocytes, and 3) electrophysiological properties of ion channels (KCNK family, TMEM16 family, and CALHM channels) and their molecular mechanisms. He has published several papers for integrative understanding of hypoxic pulmonary vasoconstriction mechanisms and also novel roles of eNOS unconventionally expressed in the vascular smooth muscle. Also, a series of papers revealing the molecular mechanisms of phospholipid- and pH-dependent regulations of KCNK10 (TREK-2) K⁺ channels are drawing attention.

Cardiac myocytes in normal and pulmonary hypertensive right heart failure

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Introduction In comparison with cardiomyocytes of left ventricle (LVCM), the physiological and pathophysiological properties of right ventricular cardiac myocytes (RVCM) are far less known. Here we compared the electrophysiological properties, Ca^{2+} transients, and contractile properties of RVCM with those of LVCM. Left ventricular failure (LVF) shows dysregulated Ca^{2+} signaling with increased risk of arrhythmia, especially in β -adrenergic stimulation (β -AS). One of the arrhythmia mechanisms is sarcoplasmic reticulum (SR) Ca^{2+} -leak through RyR, a target of cardiac NO synthase (NOS) signaling. Compared with LVF, the mechanism of arrhythmia and altered excitation-contraction coupling (E-C coupling) in right ventricular failure (RVF) and hypertrophy (RVH) under pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH) is largely unknown. **Materials and methods** (1) Isolation of single cardiac myocytes using Langendorff perfusion and enzyme treatment. (2) Patch clamp technique for action potential (AP) and ionic current recording. (3) Ionoptix and fura-2 ratiometry for single myocyte contraction and Ca^{2+} -sensitivity, (4) Laser scanning confocal microscopy for detecting abnormal Ca^{2+} wave generation underlying arrhythmic depolarization

Results & Discussion (1) RVCM showed shorter AP duration (APD) than LVCM, which owes to higher density of transient outward K^{+} current in RVCM. Despite the shorter APD, the peak amplitudes of $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]_i$ transient were not significantly different between RVCM and LVCM. Interestingly, the shortening-relaxation of RVCM were slower and smaller than LVCM. The expression of myofilaments was not different while the Ca^{2+} -binding troponins were lower in RVCM. (2) In monocrotaline-injection induced PAH rats, RVCM showed prolonged APD with less significant changes in sarcomere shortening and calcium transient, implying less efficient E-C coupling in RVF. Interestingly, inhibition of NOS (L-NAME, 1 mM, 30 min) combined with β -adrenergic stimulation induced arrhythmic contractions of RVH and RVF myocytes, e.g. spontaneous contractions, delayed afterdepolarization (DAD). Confocal microscopic imaging of Ca^{2+} signals revealed abnormal Ca^{2+} leaks from SR in RVH and RVF myocytes when treated by both isoprenaline and L-NAME or by SMCT (nNOS-inhibitor). The pro-arrhythmic effects of NOS inhibitors in RVH under β -stimulation suggest a critical role of NOS in RV myocytes.

Keywords: Right ventricle, E-C coupling, NO synthase, Pulmonary hypertension, Arrhythmia



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His research interests focus on the pathophysiology of obstructive upper airway diseases including chronic rhinosinusitis, nasal polyps and obstructive sleep apnea. He endeavors to discover novel diagnostic biomarkers reflecting the hypoxic exposure, to clarify the immunological and biochemical mechanisms of upper airway remodeling and to identify the underlying key environments related to it through the diverse collaborations. He has published numerous outstanding articles in top-ranked journals including as a leading author and has intellectual properties on the innovative diagnostic and therapeutic technologies in obstructive airway diseases.

Epithelial Remodeling: A Therapeutic Target in Chronic Rhinosinusitis

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The respiratory epithelium constitutes the barrier between external and internal environments and is crucial for the protection of the sinonasal mucosal interior milieu. The most basic function of the epithelium relies on its ability to form tight junctions between cells, creating a physical barrier between the airway lumen and subepithelial tissue. Tight junction-associated proteins, such as zona occludens-1, junctional adhesion molecule-A, cingulin, occludin, and claudins, are central to epithelial cytoprotection at the cellular level. Decreased epithelial cohesion and integrity can allow entrance of pathogens and environmental antigens into the sinonasal mucosa.

Chronic rhinosinusitis (CRS) is one of the most common presentations of upper airway illness and severely affects patient quality of life. Its frequency is not surprising given levels of environmental exposure to microbes, pollutants, and allergens. Inflammatory cells, inflammatory cytokine and chemokine production, and airway remodeling have been detected in the sinonasal mucosae of CRS patients, although the precise pathophysiological mechanisms causing such persistent inflammation remain unclear. Given its high prevalence and considerable associated morbidity, continued research into CRS is necessary to increase our understanding of factors likely to contribute to its pathogenesis, and facilitate the development of novel therapeutic strategies to improve treatment.

Recently my colleagues and I presented the novel mechanisms for epithelial remodeling related to hypoxia and inflammatory cytokines in CRS and nasal polyps (NP), and proposed the therapeutic targets based on them. I propose that these novel targets could provide more effective and selective treatment modality for the patients of CRS with NP in the future.

Keywords: Chronic rhinosinusitis, Nasal polyps, Epithelial remodeling, Therapeutic target, Inflammation



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HIF-1 regulates lipid metabolic reprogramming in Cancer

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Glucose metabolism by HIF-1 is a well-characterized strategy for advanced cancer cells to cope with hypoxia. HIF-1 stimulates anaerobic glycolysis to produce energy under hypoxic condition. However, reprogrammed lipid metabolism in cancer is currently rising. Cancer cells enhance fatty acid uptake and lipid storage and decrease beta-oxidation to use lipid as membrane structures or signaling molecules. However, the specific mechanism and its following key transcription factor are yet to be elucidated. Since HIF-1 is a metabolic switch by modulating genes that encode metabolic enzymes, we hypothesized that HIF-1 functions as a key regulator of lipid-related metabolic carcinogenesis. Here, we analyzed HIF-1-interacting protein and identified fatty acid binding protein, an intracellular fatty acid binding protein with high affinity for long-chain fatty acid. Using GEO datasets, we found that FABP is increased in HCC patients and a gene set enrichment analysis showed that FABP up regulation is associated with expression of HIF-1 downstream genes. Thus, we propose hypoxic signaling coupled by HIF-1 and FABP regulates lipid metabolic reprogramming in liver cancer.

Session 2



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Applying Aerospace Technology to Medicine

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The state-of-the-art aerospace technology has been applied to diverse fields. In this presentation, recent research and development efforts in Biomedical Engineering at Seoul National University (SNU) are presented. For surgical robot, two innovative ideas of fly-by-wire (FBW) and multi-purpose pilot stick motivated from aerospace engineering are applied. Those concepts have been US patented recently and the proto-types have been developed to demonstrate feasibilities and those are getting surgeon's attention now. Then, a gimbal-based ducted-fan idea is applied to develop capsule endoscope, which could change a paradigm of diagnosis and treatment of internal organs in the future. Finally, SNU's research activity on human physiology under micro-gravity is described for the preparation of trip to space.

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Lower body positive pressure treadmill exercise for rehabilitation after Achilles tendon repair

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The purpose of this case report is to present a rehabilitation program using upright lower body positive pressure (LBPP) exercise which may minimize pain and risks of re-fracture as well as restore gait imbalance and improve functional recovery. A 35-year-old female pole vaulter who had an Achilles tendon repaired had been provided five sessions of LBPP treadmill exercise after pre-exercise evaluation. Weight balance was calculated by Symmetry Index (SI). The injured foot was loaded about 30% less than the uninjured foot before LBPP treadmill exercise, but was loaded only 14% and 9% less than the normal foot after 5 sessions of LBPP treadmill exercise. SI changed from 34.30 to 15.32 at 3.2 km/h with full body weight, and from 42.98 to 9.66 at 9.7 km/h with 65% of body weight after training. LBPP exercise is a viable method to decrease overall recovery time and help athletes return to their competition.

KEY WORDS: Achilles tendon injury, early athlete rehabilitation, reduced weight bearing, symmetry index

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Feasibility of Ultrasound-Guided Trigger Point Injection in Patients with Myofascial Pain Syndrome

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We compared the feasibility of ultrasound (US)-guided myofascial trigger point (MTrP) injection with that of a blind injection technique following the use of shear wave elastography (SWE) for the measurement of stiffness at the MTrPs in patients with trapezius myofascial pain syndrome (MPS). A total of 41 patients (n = 41) were randomized to either the trial group (n = 21, SWE combined with US-guided injection) or the control group (n = 20, SWE combined with blind injection). At baseline and four weeks, they were evaluated for the manual muscle test (MMT), the range of motion (ROM), pain visual analogue scale (VAS) scores, Shoulder Pain and Disability Index (SPADI) scores and Neck Disability Index (NDI) scores during the abduction, adduction, flexion, extension, external rotation and internal rotation of the shoulder joint. Differences in changes in pain VAS scores, NDI scores and SPADI scores at four weeks from baseline between the two groups reached statistical significance (p = 0.003, 0.012, and 0.018, respectively). US-guided MTrP injection is a more useful modality as compared with a blind injection in patients with MPS.

Keywords: shoulder; superficial back muscles; myofascial pain syndromes; trigger points; ultrasonography