

Image-based approach for absorbed dose estimation of $^{64}\text{Cu}/^{225}\text{Ac}$ -DOTA-trastuzumab using Monte Carlo simulation

Purpose:

Image-based absorbed dose calculation studies have been performed to evaluate the characteristics of therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals. The aim of this study was to evaluate the ^{64}Cu and ^{225}Ac -DOTA-trastuzumab absorbed dose in mice using image-based Monte Carlo simulation.

Materials and Methods:

^{64}Cu -DOTA-trastuzumab PET image was acquired at 3 time points at 3, 24, and 48 hours after radiopharmaceutical injection in mice. Time-integrated activity coefficient in source organs called residence time was calculated in region of interest (ROI) delineable organs. Image-based source organ $^{64}\text{Cu}/^{225}\text{Ac}$ S-value were calculated using Geant 4 Monte Carlo simulation. Absorbed dose for ^{225}Ac -DOTA-trastuzumab was calculated by ^{64}Cu -DOTA-trastuzumab residence time and Monte Carlo simulated ^{225}Ac dose map. The relative biological efficiency (RBE) of the alpha particles emitted from ^{225}Ac , was estimated to be 5 (RBE = 5). ^{225}Ac -DOTA-trastuzumab absorbed dose was considered all decay steps of ^{225}Ac radioisotopes (^{221}Fr , ^{217}At , ^{213}Bi , ^{213}Po , ^{209}Tl and ^{209}Pb) and summed up after applying weighting factors in the two possible pathways, 2% for ^{209}Tl and 98% for ^{213}Po .

Results:

Residence time of ^{64}Cu -DOTA-trastuzumab in liver was 1.80 MBq-h/MBq that is high uptake region in normal subject. Liver absorbed dose of ^{64}Cu - and ^{225}Ac -DOTA-trastuzumab were $2.73\text{E}-02$ mGy/MBq, $6.37\text{E}+00$ SvRBE5/MBq. ^{64}Cu -DOTA-trastuzumab absorbed doses in lung, kidney, and spleen were $2.97\text{E}-03$, $3.86\text{E}-04$, $3.62\text{E}-05$ mGy/MBq, respectively. ^{225}Ac -DOTA-trastuzumab absorbed doses in lung, kidney, and spleen were $3.10\text{E}-01$, $9.18\text{E}-02$, $9.12\text{E}-03$ SvRBE5/MBq, respectively. ^{225}Ac -DOTA-trastuzumab absorbed dose was $2.34\text{E}+02$ fold higher than ^{64}Cu -DOTA-trastuzumab.

Conclusion:

We performed the ^{64}Cu -DOTA-trastuzumab PET imaging and estimated the image-based internal absorbed dose of ^{225}Ac -DOTA-trastuzumab. This result may help to strategy of treatment for HER2-positive cancer patients using targeted alpha therapy of ^{225}Ac radioisotope.

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