





**17 $\beta$ -estradiol attenuates LPS-induced interleukin-8 production by human peripheral blood monocytes through estrogen receptor- $\alpha$  activation**

Proper regulation of the immune response is essential for immune homeostasis. Several proinflammatory cytokines released from activated monocytes mediate inflammation, including interleukin-8 (IL-8) which recruits neutrophils to the site of inflammation. 17 $\beta$ -Estradiol (E2) has a direct role in the modulation of the innate immune function and mediates profound effects on immune function of the monocytes. The effects of 17 $\beta$ -Estradiol are mediated principally by two receptors subtypes, ER $\alpha$  and ER $\beta$ ; both are expressed in monocytes. The aim of this study was, therefore, to characterize the estrogen receptor subtypes that mediate the estrogen effects on LPS-activated IL-8 production by human peripheral blood monocytes. 17 $\beta$ -E2 and PPT attenuated the production of IL-8 by LPS-activated monocytes in a dose-dependent manner and these effects can be reversed by ICI182,780. These results suggested a role of ER $\alpha$  on the attenuating effect of 17 $\beta$ -E2 on IL-8 production by human peripheral blood monocytes.

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