



### ISOLATION OF THECA CELLS FROM GOAT OVARIAN FOLLICLES AND EXPRESSION OF *CYP 19 GENE* IN THE ISOLATED CELLS

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## INTRODUCTION

• Ovary - responsible for formation and maturation of female gametes and steroidogenesis

• Theca cell (TC) isolation is quite difficult

• To compare the efficacy two methods for TCs isolation

• To assess the isolated cells by analyzing expression of marker genes





# OBJECTIVES

- Isolation of theca cells from goat ovarian follicles by two different protocols
- Expression of *CYP 19* gene in isolated cells to ascertain the best method for isolation of theca cells.



### MATERIALS AND METHODS



#### Method 1: Stoklosowa et al. (1978) - Trypsin method





#### Method 2: Kataoka et al. (1994) - Collagenase method













### RESULTS







(A) Isolated follicles (B) 3-6mm diameter of follicles (C) Microscopic Image of Theca Cells (Trypsin) under Inverted Microscope (D)Microscopical Image of Theca Cells (Collagenase) under Inverted Microscope







Agarose Gel Electrophoresis of PCR Products of *CYP19* by Trypsin (L2) and Collagenase (L3) along with 100bp DNA ladder (M)



Agarose Gel Electrophoresis of PCR products of *CYP 17* by Trypsin (L1) and Collagenase (L2) along with 100bp DNA ladder (M)



CYP 19 qRT-PCR Amplification Plot



#### CYP 19 gene expression in between methods (Trypsin and Collagenase)



Method	Mean C <sub>T</sub> ±S.E n=6				Fold	
	CYP 19	B-actin	$\Delta C_T \pm S.E$	$\Delta\Delta C_{T} \pm SE$	change	p- Value
					from	
					$\Delta\Delta C_{T}$	
Trypsin	26.03±0.65	18.44±0.16	7.59±0.67	-2.41	5.38*	0.028
				±0.67	(3.37-8.58)	
Collagenase	27.37±0.11	17.36±0.52	10.0±0.53	0.00±0.53	1 (0.68-1.44)	

#### *CYP 17* gene expression between methods (Trypsin and Collagenase)

	Mean CT ± S.E				Fold change	
Method					from control	P-
	<b>CYP 17</b>	<b>B-actin</b>	$\Delta C_T \pm S.E$	$\Delta\Delta C_{T} \pm S.E$	(2 <sup>-ΔΔCT</sup> )	Value
Trypsin	24.65±0.62	18.41±0.14	6.23±0.64	2.46±0.64	0.18 (0.69-1.44)	
collagenase	21.12±0.11	17.36±0.52	3.76±0.53	0.00±0.53	1 (1.82-3.10)	0.016 9





*CYP 19* gene expression in between methods (Trypsin and Collagenase)



CYP 17 gene expression in between methods (Trypsin and Collagenase)

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## CONCLUSION AND APPLICATIONS

- Confirms that collagenase method is the better one for isolation of TCs from goat ovarian follicles.
- Study the functions in follicular development and ovarian steroidogenesis





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