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(54) **POLYPEPTIDE MARKER FOR DIAGNOSIS OF ARTERIOSCLEROSIS, METHOD FOR DETECTION OF ARTERIOSCLEROSIS BY USING THE MAKER OR THE LIKE, AND KIT FOR DIAGNOSIS OF ARTERIOSCLEROSIS**

POLYPEPTIDMARKER ZUR DIAGNOSE VON ARTERIOSKLEROSE, VERFAHREN FÜR DEN NACHWEIS VON ARTERIOSKLEROSE ANHAND DES MARKERS ODER DERGLEICHEN UND KIT FÜR DIE DIAGNOSE VON ARTERIOSKLEROSE

MARQUEUR POLYPEPTIDIQUE POUR LE DIAGNOSTIC DE L'ARTÉRIOSCLÉROSE, PROCÉDÉ DE DÉTECTION DE L'ARTÉRIOSCLÉROSE À L'AIDE DU MARQUEUR OU SIMILAIRE, ET TROUSSE DE DIAGNOSTIC DE L'ARTÉRIOSCLÉROSE

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Description

TECHNICAL FIELD

[0001] The present invention relates to polypeptide markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, gene markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, antibodies, probes for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, a DNA microarray or a DNA chip for detecting the arteriosclerosis marker genes, a method for detecting arteriosclerosis, and a kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis.

[0002] Priority is claimed on Japanese Patent Application No. 2008-209210, filed August 15, 2008.

BACKGROUND ART

[0003] Arteriosclerosis is a disease frequently found in aorta, coronary arteries, cerebral arteries, and carotid arteries, being a main cause of myocardial infarction and cerebral infarction. At present, the presence of atherosclerosis is said to be crucial for the ground of the onset of ischemic organ diseases such as ischemic heart disease and cerebrovascular disorder, which are top leading causes of death. Arteriosclerotic lesions are pathomorphologically characterized by: fatty streaks which are subendothelial accumulations of cholesterol ester-storing cells (foam cells); and as an advanced stage thereof, invasions of smooth muscle cells, macrophages, T cells, and the like; as well as fibrous plaques showing cellular necrosis and fat accumulation. The site with fat accumulation is structurally fragile, where plaques are ruptured, triggered by a hemodynamic force, and thereby a thrombus is rapidly formed by reactions of tissue factors and blood coagulation factors. It has been elucidated that the occurrence of thrombotic blockage by the rupture of plaques in a coronary artery is closely associated with the onset of so-called acute coronary syndromes such as acute myocardial infarction, unstable angina pectoris, and cardiac sudden death (Non-Patent Document 1)

[0004] Arteriosclerosis is gradually developed without subjective symptoms, and all of the sudden, myocardial infarction, cerebral infarction, or angina pectoris occurs. Thus, early stage detection is required. So far, ultrasonography, angiography, imaging tests with MRI (magnetic resonance imaging devices) or such a device, electrocardiography, electroencephalography, and the like have been widely carried out for the diagnosis of arteriosclerotic lesions. However, methods by means of biochemical examination have been demanded so that diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion can achieve an early detection.

[0005] In the diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion by means of biochemical examination, there has been known measurements of arteriosclerosis-induced lipoproteins which are associated with lipid accumulation in the vascular wall such as LDL (low density lipoprotein), lipoprotein (Lp-α), remnant lipoprotein, and oxidized LDL in serum or plasma. In particular, measurement of arteriosclerosis-associated substances in blood are attracting attention in recent years. It is reported that measurement of an inflammatory substance: CRP (C-reactive protein), and measurement of the chlamydia antibody titer are useful.

[0006] As for the diagnosis method of an arteriosclerotic lesion by means of such measurement of an arteriosclerosis-induced lipoprotein, the following methods are known. For example, regarding the LDL measurement, the followings have been proposed: measurement of neutrophil, monocyte/ macrophage or like inflammatory cell-originated components such as lactoferrin, myeloperoxidase, granulocytic elastase in serum or plasma, forming a complex with the oxidized LDL existing in the serum or the plasma, by an immunological means (Patent Document 1); use of an immunoassay method with a fused polypeptide comprising the extracellular region of an oxidized LDL receptor and a part of the heavy chain constant region of an immunoglobulin (Patent Document 2); use of an anti-human aldehyde-modified α1 antitrypsin monoclonal antibody capable of specifically recognizing oxidized LDL-α1 antitrypsin complex (Patent Documents 3 and 4); measurement of the degree of oxidative denaturation of LDL in plasma by an oxidizing agent comprising an azo compound such as V-70 (Patent Document 5); and the like.

[0007] Furthermore, regarding the diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion by means of lipoprotein measurement, the followings have been disclosed: measurement of remnant lipoprotein (RLP) in denatured blood (Patent Document 6); diagnosis of rheumatoid or arteriosclerotic lesions through detection of the expression of the human cartilage GP39-L polypeptide gene (Patent Document 7); diagnosis of arteriosclerotic lesions through measurement of apoB100 lipoprotein in blood (Patent Document 8); measurement of human phospholipid transfer protein (PLTP) with use of a monoclonal antibody against PLTP (Patent Document 9); use of an apo lipoprotein A-I antibody as a marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis (Patent Document 10); and the like.

[0008] In addition, regarding other means related to the diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion, the followings have been proposed: diagnosis of hyperlipemia or arteriosclerotic lesions with use of an antibody against a sodium dependent bile acid transporter protein (Patent Document 11); diagnosis through measurement of the coagulation factor VII-activating protease (FSAP) as a risk factor for atherosclerosis (Patent Document 12); examination of arteriosclerosis through detection of an endothelial and smooth muscle cell-derived neuropilin-like molecule (ESDN) or the gene expression thereof (Patent Document 13); use of an anti-human hepatic triglyceride lipase antibody (Patent Document 14); diagnosis

of arteriosclerotic lesions by using the serotonin concentration in a plasma sample as a marker (Patent Documents 15 and 16); and the like.

[0009] Furthermore, regarding yet other means related to the diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion, the followings have been proposed: diagnosis of chronic renal failure or atherosclerosis by using, as the analyte, an sMAD3 polypeptide which is an iso-form of MAD required for the signal transduction of DPP which is a TGF-family member of cytokine/growth factor (Patent Document 17); measurement of a complex of Lp-α and α2-macroglobulin/interleukin 6 in blood as the analyte by an immunological means using an antibody thereof (Patent Document 18); use of a monoclonal antibody against a paraoxonase (Patent Document 19); detection of arteriosclerosis through measurement of a saturated ultra long-chain fatty acid (Patent Document 20); diagnosis of atherosclerosis by using an RC-9 protein and an antibody thereof (Patent Document 21); and the like.

[0010] In this way, many methods have been proposed regarding the biochemical examination related to the diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion. However, most of the detection markers of them are risk markers. For more radical and specific diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion, an advanced development of markers capable of specifically detecting such a lesion has been demanded.

[0011] Therefore, Patent Document 22 has proposed, as a marker for specifically detecting an arteriosclerotic lesion, a polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, a gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, an antibody specifically bindable to the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, a probe for detecting the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, and a method for detecting an arteriosclerotic lesion.

[0012] WO 2006/048291 relates to arrays containing a transcriptome of a diseased tissue and methods of using the arrays for diagnosis, prognosis, screening, and identification of disease.

[0013] US 2007/072175 relates to a nucleotide array containing polynucleotide probes complementary to, or fragments of, Cynomolgus monkey genes, and the use of such a nucleotide array to characterize the biological effects, including the actions, targets, and toxicities, of therapeutic agents in primates.

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Patent Document 2: Japanese Unexamined Patent Application, First Publication No. 2002-17353

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[0014] According to the technique of Patent Document 22, an arteriosclerotic lesion can be detected with easy manipulation, and an early detection of arteriosclerosis can be expected. However, it does not satisfy an adequate level. There has been a demand for more accurate detection of an arteriosclerotic lesion with use of a greater number of polypeptide markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, gene markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, and the like. Therefore, it is an object of the present invention to provide polypeptide markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, gene markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, antibodies, probes for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, a DNA microarray or a DNA chip for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, a method for detecting arteriosclerosis, and a kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, with which an arteriosclerotic lesion can be detected with much improved accuracy.

DISCLOSURE OF INVENTION

[0015] The present invention is as defined in the accompanying claims.

[0016] The inventors of the present invention have searched for proteins which are expressed in serum of a diseased patient with an arteriosclerotic lesion so as to find out more markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis which can specifically detect an arteriosclerotic lesion. As a result, they found out novel polypeptide markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis which can specifically detect an arteriosclerotic lesion, which has led to the completion of the present invention.

[0017] In the specific search method, the screening was conducted in the following manner by using serum of diseased patients with arteriosclerotic lesions who had been hospitalized in a hospital or cooperative institutes with the consent of patients or their families. The obtained cDNA clone was inserted in a plasmid pBluescript II to determine the nucleotide sequence. Thereafter, it was recombined in a pGEX plasmid and transfected in *E. coli*. The protein was abundantly expressed with IPTG (isopropyl β-D-thiogalactoside) to thereby prepare the protein extract. Next, the protein extract was solid-phased in a 96-well plate. The antibody level in the serum was measured by the ELISA method. Using these measured values, a significance test was conducted between the arteriosclerosis patient group and the normal group. As a result, significant differences were found between the patient group and the normal group with thirteen clones serving as the marker. Furthermore, the reaction between the protein extract and a large number of patient serums was examined by the western blotting method. As a result, five clones serving as the marker newly exhibited a positive reaction with the serums of diseased patients with arteriosclerotic lesion, by which these five clones were found to be useful as specific markers for the presence of an arteriosclerotic lesion, or for an unstable plaque. Then, it became possible by utilizing the antigenicity of these clones or probes for these genes, to develop a method for detecting arteriosclerosis, and moreover to produce a diagnosis kit for use in such a detection method.

[0018] That is, the present invention includes polypeptide markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, gene markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, antibodies, probes for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, a DNA microarray or a DNA chip for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, a method for detecting arteriosclerosis, and a kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, which are described below.

[1] Use of a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, as a polypeptide marker for diagnosing atherosclerosis.

[2] Use of a gene represented by a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis according to [1], or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, as a gene marker for diagnosing atherosclerosis.

[3] Use of a gene having a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial nucleotide sequence thereof consisting of twelve or more nucleotides, as a gene marker for diagnosing atheroscle-

rosis.

[4] Use of an antibody specifically bindable to the polypeptide according to [1] for diagnosing atherosclerosis.

[5] Use of a probe for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, which comprises all or a part of DNA that is hybridizable with the gene according to [2] or [3] under a stringent condition.

[6] The use of a probe for diagnosing arteriosclerosis according to [5], which comprises all or a part of antisense DNA for the gene according to [3].

[7] Use of a DNA microarray or a DNA chip for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, wherein the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene according to [5] and/or the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene according to [6] is/are immobilized on a base plate.

[8] A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein the antibody according to [4] is used to detect the expression of an arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide that is specifically bindable to the antibody, in a specimen sample.

[9] A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis according to [1] is used to detect the expression of an antibody that is specifically bindable to the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, in specimen blood.

[10] A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene according to [5] or [6] is used to detect the expression of a gene that is hybridizable with the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, in a specimen cell.

[11] A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein a primer is constructed based on a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2 of the Sequence Listing, and PCR is conducted with use of the primer to detect the expression of an arteriosclerosis marker gene.

[12] A kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, including at least one item selected from the group consisting of the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene according to [5] or [6], the DNA microarray or the DNA chip for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene according to [7], and the antibody according to [4].

[13] A kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, including a polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis which comprises a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids.

[0019] An arteriosclerotic lesion can be detected with much higher accuracy by using the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, the antibody, the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, the DNA microarray or the DNA chip for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, the method for detecting arteriosclerosis, and the kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0020] FIG. 1 shows the results of the expression of arteriosclerosis marker genes by the western blotting method in the Examples.

DESCRIPTION OF EMBODIMENTS

[0021] The polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis and the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention can be used for the detection of arteriosclerosis as they are specifically expressed in arteriosclerotic lesions. Polypeptides serving as the polypeptide marker used for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention are polypeptides having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids.

[0022] Here, the term "partial amino acid sequence" refers to a sequence being a part of the amino acid sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs of the Sequence Listing mentioned above, consisting of four or more, preferably five or more, more preferably six or more, and yet more preferably seven or more amino acids.

[0023] The information on the amino acid sequence of the above-mentioned polypeptide of the present invention is

available from the NCBI GeneBank database as of July 31st, 2008, with the accession number: XM_001129783 (SEQ ID NO: 1). Other polypeptides disclosed herein but not mentioned by the present claims are available from the NCBI GeneBank database as of July 31st, 2008, with the accession numbers: NM_006088 (SEQ ID NO: 3), NM_014878 (SEQ ID NO: 5), NM_207514 (SEQ ID NO: 7), NM_001128847 (SEQ ID NO: 9), NM_001017408 (SEQ ID NO: 11), NM_015089 (SEQ ID NO: 13), NM_133337 (SEQ ID NO: 15), NM_022406 (SEQ ID NO: 17), NM_001402 (SEQ ID NO: 19), NM_005349 (SEQ ID NO: 21), NM_005406 (SEQ ID NO: 23), NM_016436 (SEQ ID NO: 25), NM_032408 (SEQ ID NO: 27), and NM_014377 (SEQ ID NO: 29).

[0024] In addition, the gene marker used for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention comprises a gene represented by a nucleotide sequence which encodes the above-mentioned polypeptide of SEQ ID NO: 1 having the amino acid sequence or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids. The gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis may be a gene having a nucleotide sequence capable of expressing the above-mentioned polypeptide.

[0025] The gene serving as the gene marker used for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention are genes having a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial nucleotide sequence thereof consisting of twelve or more nucleotides. The information on that gene, and other nucleotide sequences disclosed herein although not mentioned by the claims (SEQ ID NOs: 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, and 36 of the Sequence Listing), (nucleotide sequence information) are respectively available from the NCBI GeneBank database, with the following accession number.

[0026] That is, the gene serving as the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis can be exemplified by [Clone Name: S19A3; SEQ ID NO: 2 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. XM_001129783; Gene Name: (PREDICTED) similar to LIM and senescent domain 1 (LOC729260); Gene Description: similar to the LIMS 1 gene. LIMS1 is an adaptor protein which contains five LIM domains, or double zinc fingers. LIMS1 may possibly play a role in integrin-mediated cell adhesion or spreading.]. Other genes disclosed herein but not mentioned by the present claims are: [Clone Name: TS27A2; SEQ ID NO: 4 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_006088; Gene Name: tubulin, beta 2C (TUBB2C); Gene Description: a component protein of microtubules], [Clone Name: S21B1; SEQ ID NO: 6 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_014878; Gene Name: KIAA0020 (KIAA0020); Gene Description; reportedly a minor histocompatibility antigen], [Clone Name: S25E1; SEQ ID NO: 8 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_207514; Gene Name: differentially expressed in FDCP 8 homolog (mouse) (DEF8); Gene Description: unknown function], [Clone Name: TS12D2; SEQ ID NO: 10 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_001128847; Gene Name: SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, subfamily a, member 4 (SMARCA4); Gene Description: unknown], [Clone Name: S36C3; SEQ ID NO: 12 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_001017408; Gene Name: golgi associated PDZ and coiled-coil motif containing (GOPC); Gene Description: bindable to Rhotekin, an effector of a low molecular weight GTP-binding protein Rho. Moreover, reportedly, the binding between Rhotekin and GOPC is regulated in a Rho dependent manner.], [Clone Name: N48B1; SEQ ID NO: 14 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_015089; Gene Name: p53-associated parkin-like cytoplasmic protein (PARC); Gene Description: associated with transition from metaphase to anaphase during cell division, and also associated with ubiquitin-dependent protein degradation], [Clone Name: S28D1; SEQ ID NO: 16 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_133337; Gene Name: fer-1-like 3, myoferlin (*C. elegans*) (FER1L3); Gene Description: a type II membrane protein similar to a skeletal muscle protein, dysferlin, this gene having a C2 domain is suggested to be possibly associated with regeneration and repair of cytoplasmic membrane and nuclear membrane], [Clone Name: TS27H1; SEQ ID NO: 18 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_022406; Gene Name: X-ray repair complementing defective repair in Chinese hamster cells 4 (XRCC4); Gene Description: a protein encoded by this gene acts to complete the repair of a DNA double strand through nonhomologous end-joining and V(D)J recombination, together with DNA ligase IV and DNA-dependent protein kinase. The nonhomologous end-joining pathway is necessary for the normal development and suppression on tumors.], [Clone Name: PA105; SEQ ID NO: 20 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_031229; Gene Name: RanBP-type and C3HC4-type zinc finger containing 1 (RBCK1); Gene Description: unknown function. Its amino acid sequence is similar to that of mouse UIP28/UbcM4 interacting protein], [Clone Name: S16D2; SEQ ID NO: 22 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_005349; Gene Name: recombination signal binding protein for immunoglobulin kappa J region (RBPJ); Gene Description: unknown], [Clone Name: S27D3; SEQ ID NO: 24 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_005406; Gene Name: Rho-associated, coiled-coil containing protein kinase 1 (ROCK1); Gene Description: serine/threonine kinase activated by a low molecular weight GTP-binding protein Rho, and associated not only with cell contraction but also with morphological regulation, migration, regulation of gene expression, and like physiological functions.], [Clone Name: S36E1; SEQ ID NO: 26 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_016436; Gene Name: PHD finger protein 20 (PHF20); Gene Description: associated with DNA-dependent transcriptional regulation.], [Clone Name: S39D6; SEQ ID NO: 28 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_032408; Gene Name: bromodomain adjacent to zinc finger domain, 1B (BAZ1B); Gene Description: a member of the bromodomain protein family involved in chromatin-dependent regulation of transcription.], [Clone Name: TS27B2; SEQ ID NO: 30 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_014377; Gene Name: zuotin related factor 1 (ZRF1); Gene Description: a member of the M-phase phosphoprotein family, acting as a

molecular chaperone.], [Clone Name: PA202; SEQ ID NO: 32 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_003692; Gene Name: transmembrane protein with EGF-like and two follistatin-like domains 1 (TMEFF1); Gene Description: reportedly inhibits nodal signaling through binding to the nodal coreceptor Cripto in *Xenopus*], [Clone Name: PA213; SEQ ID NO: 34 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. NM_006807; Gene Name: chromobox homolog 1 (HP1 beta homolog *Drosophilia*) (CBX1); Gene Description: localized at heterochromatin sites, where it mediates gene silencing.], [Clone Name: PA234; SEQ ID NO: 36 of the Sequence Listing; Accession No. BC030642; Gene Name: PARK2 co-regulated (PACRG); Gene Description: Parkinson's disease-associated gene, and reportedly regulated by the ubiquitin-proteasome system.].

[0027] In addition, the term "partial nucleotide sequence" refers to a sequence being a part of the nucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs of the Sequence Listing mentioned above, consisting of twelve or more, preferably fifteen or more, more preferably eighteen or more, and yet more preferably twenty or more nucleotides (hereunder, the same definition will be applied).

[0028] The above-mentioned genes serving as the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis are summarized in Table 1.

[Table 1]

	Clone Name	SEQ ID NO.	Accession No	Gene Name
1	S19A3	2	XM_001129783	(PREDICTED)similar to LIM and senescent domain 1 (LOC729260)
2	TS27A2	4	NM_006088	tubulin, beta 2C (TUBB2C)
3	S21B1	6	NM 014878	KIAA0020 (KIAA0020)
4	S25E1	8	NM_207514	differentially expressed in FDCP 8 homolog (mouse) (DEF8)
5	TS12D2	10	NM_001128847	SWI/SNF related, matrix associated, actin dependent regulator of chromatin, subfamily a member 4 (SMARCA4)
6	S36C3	12	NM_001017408	golgi associated PDZ and coiled-coil motif containing (GOPC)
7	N48B1	14	NM_015089	p53-associated parkin-like cytoplasmic protein (PARC)
8	S28D1	16	NM_133337	fer-1-like 3, myoferlin (C. elegans) (FER1L3)
9	TS27H1	18	NM_022406	X-ray repair complementing defective repair in Chinese hamster cells 4 (XRCC4)
10	PA105	20	NM_031229	RanBP-type and C3HC4-type zinc finger containing 1 (RBCK1)
11	S16D2	22	NM_005349	recombination signal binding protein for immunoglobulin kappa J region (RBPJ)
12	S27D3	24	NM_005406	Rho-associated, coiled-coil containing protein kinase 1 (ROCK1)
13	S36E1	26	NM_016436	PHD finger protein 20 (PHF20)
14	S39D6	28	NM_032408	bromodomain adjacent to zinc finger domain, 1B (BAZ1B)
15	TS27B2	30	NM_014377	zuotin related factor 1 (ZRF1)
16	PA202	32	NM_003692	transmembrane protein with EGF-like and two follistatin-like domains 1 (TMEFF1)
17	PA213	34	NM_006807	chromobox homolog 1 (HP1 beta homolog Drosophila) (CBX1)
18	PA234	36	BC030642	PARK2 co-regulated (PACRG)

[0029] The antibody of the present invention is an antibody specifically bindable to, as an antigen, a polypeptide serving as the above-mentioned polypeptide marker having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, for diagnosing arteriosclerosis. The antibody may be either monoclonal or polyclonal. These antibodies can be produced by a usual method using the above-mentioned polypeptide as an antigen.

[0030] The antibody of the present invention may be labeled with a labeling substance. As for the labeling substance,

it is possible to use an enzyme, a radioisotope, a fluorescent dye, biotin, digoxigenin, or the like. The enzyme is not specifically limited as long as it fulfills the requirements such as a large turnover number (number of revolution), stability in the antibody-binding state, and capability of rendering the substrate a specific color. For example, peroxidases for use in usual EIA (enzyme immunoassay), β-galactosidase, alkaline phosphatase, glucose oxidase, acetylcholine esterase, glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase, malate dehydrogenase, or the like can be used. In addition, it is also possible to use an enzyme inhibitory substance, a coenzyme, or the like. These enzymes can be bound to the antibody by a known method using a maleimide compound or such a crosslinking agent.

[0031] As for the substrate, it is possible to use a known substance according to the type of the enzyme to be used. For example, 3,3',5,5'-tetramethylbenzidine can be used as a substrate when peroxidase is used as an enzyme, while paranitrophenol can be used as a substrate when alkaline phosphatase is used as an enzyme.

[0032] As for the radioisotope, it is possible to use ^{125}I, ^{3}H, or such a substance for use in usual RIA (radioimmunoassay).

[0033] As for the fluorescent dye, it is possible to use fluorescein isothiocianate (FITC), tetramethylrhodamine isothiocyanate (TRITC), or such a substance for use in usual fluorescence antibody technique.

[0034] In addition, these labeled antibodies may be tagged with a metal such as manganese or iron. By administering such a metal-tagged antibody into the body and assaying the metal by MRI or such a means, the presence of an antigen peptide bound to this antibody (a polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis) can be detected.

[0035] In addition, the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene of the present invention is a probe which comprises all or a part of DNA that is hybridizable with the gene serving as the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis mentioned above under a stringent condition. Here, the term "stringent condition" of the present invention can be exemplified by: hybridization in a buffer solution containing 50% formamide, 5×SSC, 5×Denhardt's solution, 0.1M sodium dihydrogenphosphate (pH6.5), 0.5% SDS, and 100 μg/ml denatured salmon sperm DNA, at 42°C, followed by a washing treatment in a buffer solution containing 1×SSC (0.15M NaCl and 0.015M sodium citrate) and 0.1% SDS (sodium dodecyl sulfate) at 42°C (Condition 1); or, hybridization in a buffer solution containing 5×SSC, 5×Denhardt's solution, 0.1M sodium dihydrogenphosphate (pH6.5), 0.5% SDS, and 100 μg/ml denatured salmon sperm DNA, at 65°C, followed by a washing treatment in a buffer solution containing 0.1×SSC and 0.1% SDS at 65°C (Condition 2). The latter (Condition 2) is more preferred. As for the factors to influence the stringency of hybridization, there are various kinds of factors other than the temperature condition mentioned above. It is possible for those skilled in the art to combine various kinds of such factors to achieve equivalent stringency to the stringency of hybridization exemplified above.

[0036] Moreover, the probe used for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention can be exemplified by a probe which comprises all or a part of antisense DNA for the gene having a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2 of the Sequence Listing. That is, it is a probe which comprises DNA having a nucleotide sequence complementary to the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2 mentioned above, or a partial nucleotide sequence thereof consisting of twelve or more nucleotides.

[0037] These probes for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene may be appropriately labeled with a fluorescent label or the like.

[0038] Moreover, the DNA microarray or the DNA chip for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene of the present invention is used for the detection of the expression of the gene used for the diagnosis of an arteriosclerotic lesion through the detection, wherein the above-mentioned probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene is immobilized on a base plate. Regarding the above-mentioned probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene to be immobilized, it is either possible to use a single kind or a plurality of kinds thereof.

[0039] The DNA microarray or the DNA chip can be produced by a usual method. The DNA microarray can be obtained by, for example, spotting a solution containing respective probe(s) for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene that has been prepared in advance on a base plate and drying this plate. In addition, the DNA chip can be obtained by, for example, synthesizing DNA having a desired nucleotide sequence on a base plate by photolithography.

[0040] Hereunder is a description of the method for detecting arteriosclerosis of the present invention.

[0041] The method for detecting arteriosclerosis of the present invention is a method in which the above-mentioned polypeptide marker having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, for diagnosing arteriosclerosis is used to detect the expression of an antibody (arteriosclerosis marker antibody) that is specifically bindable to the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, in a specimen blood (hereunder, referred to as the "detection method (1)"). In the specimen blood collected from a diseased patient with an arteriosclerotic lesion, the above-mentioned arteriosclerosis marker antibody is induced by the expression of the polypeptide serving as the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis. So, it is possible to detect arteriosclerosis through detection of the arteriosclerosis marker antibody with use of the polypeptide marker having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, for diagnosing arteriosclerosis.

[0042] The detection method (1) can be specifically exemplified by a method in which: the solid-phased polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis is contacted with a serum collected from a test subject so that the marker can bind to antibodies in the serum; unbound proteins are removed; next a labeled antibody (secondary antibody) that is

specifically bindable to the antibodies in the serum is added to allow a reaction therebetween; and the signal from the labeled antibody is detected. As to the labeling substance for the abovementioned labeled antibody, it is possible to use an enzyme, a radioisotope, a fluorescent dye, biotin, digoxigenin, or the like, which has been enumerated as a substance to label the antibody of the present invention.

[0043] When an enzyme is used as a labeling substance, the amount of the antibody can be calculated by: adding a substrate which is decomposed to take a color by an enzymatic action; optically measuring the amount of the decomposed substrate to thereby obtain the enzymatic activity; converting this value into the amount of the antibody bound; and making a comparison between the converted value and a reference value. Alternatively, the amount of the antibody can also be obtained with high sensitivity by: adding a substrate which emits light by an enzymatic action; and measuring with a weak luminescence analyzer (luminometer).

[0044] When a radioisotope is used as a labeling substance, the amount of the antibody can be calculated by measuring the level of radiation emitted from the radioisotope with a scintillation counter or such a device. When a fluorescent dye is used as a labeling substance, the amount of the antibody can be calculated by measuring the quantity of fluorescence with a measurement device equipped with a fluorescence spectrometer or such a device.

[0045] In the detection method (1), the western blotting method can be applied. Moreover, it is also possible to isolate a conjugate of the polypeptide marker having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, the antibody of the specimen blood, and the labeled antibody, by a known isolation method (a chromatography method, a salting-out method, an alcohol precipitation method, an enzyme method, an in-phase method, or the like), followed by the detection of the signal from the labeled antibody.

[0046] Moreover, in the diagnosis of arteriosclerosis by using the detection method (1), it is also possible to examine whether or not the arteriosclerosis marker antibody(antibodies) is(are) present in the specimen blood collected from a test subject so as to determine that the test subject showing the presence of one or more types of arteriosclerosis marker antibodies is a diseased patient with an arteriosclerotic lesion, or a person with a high risk of an arteriosclerotic lesion.

[0047] In addition, the method for detecting arteriosclerosis of the present invention is a method for detecting arteriosclerosis in which the above-mentioned probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene is used to detect the expression of a gene (arteriosclerosis marker gene) that is hybridizable with the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, in a specimen cell (hereunder, referred to as the "detection method (2)"). In the specimen cell collected from a diseased patient with an arteriosclerotic lesion, the arteriosclerosis marker gene is expressed. So, it is possible to detect arteriosclerosis through detection of the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker gene with use of the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene.

[0048] The detection method (2) can be specifically exemplified by a method in which: a probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene, which has a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the sequence listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, or having a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2 of the sequence listing, or a partial nucleotide sequence thereof consisting of twelve or more nucleotides, as mentioned above in a suitable length for hybridization is prepared; a fluorescence label or such a label is appropriately added thereto; this labeled probe is contacted with a sample collected from a specimen cell to perform a hybridization reaction; and the expression of the gene serving as the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis is detected.

[0049] In the detection method (2), it is possible to employ a known detection method except for using the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene of the present invention. For example, a northern blotting method can be employed. Moreover, in the detection method (2), any one of the above-mentioned probes for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene can be used. It is either possible to use a single kind of probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene or a plurality of kinds of probes for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene.

[0050] In addition, the detection method (2) may also use a DNA microarray or a DNA chip in which the probe(s) for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene is/are immobilized on a base plate.

[0051] Furthermore, in the detection method (2), it is also possible to employ quantitative or semi-quantitative PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) in order to amplify the arteriosclerosis marker gene in the sample collected from the specimen cell. The PCR may be either RT-PCR (reverse transcription PCR) or real-time RT-PCR. For carrying out the PCR, a primer set including a sense primer and an antisense primer for amplifying the arteriosclerosis marker gene is used. These primers can be appropriately constructed based on a nucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NO: 2 of the Sequence Listing.

[0052] On the completion of the amplification of the arteriosclerosis marker gene by such quantitative or semi-quantitative PCR in this way, the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker gene can be detected by using this sample. By so doing, the detection sensitivity can be improved.

[0053] Moreover, in the diagnosis of arteriosclerosis by using the detection method (2), it is possible to detect the arteriosclerosis marker gene in a test subject and compare the result with a result of a healthy subject detected by the same method to thereby determine that the test subject showing a large detection level is a diseased patient with an

arteriosclerotic lesion, or a person with a high risk of an arteriosclerotic lesion.

[0054] In addition, the method for detecting arteriosclerosis of the present invention is a method in which the antibody bindable to, as an antigen, a polypeptide serving as the polypeptide marker having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of present invention, is used to detect the expression of a polypeptide (arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide) that is specifically bindable to the antibody, in a specimen sample (hereunder, referred to as the "detection method (3)"). In the specimen sample collected from a diseased patient with an arteriosclerotic lesion, the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide is expressed. So, it is possible to detect arteriosclerosis through detection of the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide with use of the antibody of the present invention.

[0055] The detection method (3) can be executed by a known immunoassay method except for using the antibody of the present invention. The immunoassay method can be exemplified by the western blotting method, the ELISA (Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay) method, a radioimmunoassay method, or a fluorescence antibody technique.

[0056] The antibody for use in the detection method (3) may be either monoclonal or polyclonal.

[0057] When the fluorescence antibody technique is applied to the detection method (3), either a direct fluorescence antibody test or an indirect fluorescence antibody test may be used. The direct fluorescence antibody test is a method in which an antibody for use in the detection is labeled with fluorescence, and then the antibody is contacted to a sample cell as being the test sample to bind them to each other so that a cell expressing the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide can be labeled. In addition, the indirect fluorescence antibody test is a method in which a non-labeled antibody of the present invention is contacted to a sample cell to bind them to each other, and then the antibody is further bound to a labeled secondary antibody (anti-immunoglobulin antibody) so that a cell expressing the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide can be labeled.

[0058] Moreover, when detecting arteriosclerosis through detection of the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide, it is also possible, rather than using the antibody of the present invention as mentioned above, to use TOF-MASS to directly detect the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide, or to use a chip in which a protein that is interactive with the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide is immobilized on a base plate.

[0059] Moreover, in the diagnosis of arteriosclerosis by using the detection method (3), it is possible to examine whether or not the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide(s) is(are) present in the specimen sample collected from a test subject so as to determine that the test subject showing the presence of one or more types of arteriosclerosis marker polypeptides is a diseased patient with an arteriosclerotic lesion, or a person with a high risk of an arteriosclerotic lesion.

[0060] The probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene for use in the detection of an arteriosclerotic lesion of the present invention, the DNA microarray or the DNA chip for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene in which the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene is immobilized, and the antibody for detecting the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide of the present invention can be prepared as a product of a kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis which comprises at least one of these items and with which arteriosclerosis can be detected and diagnosed as mentioned above.

[0061] In addition, the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention can also be prepared as a product of a kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis with which arteriosclerosis can be detected and diagnosed as mentioned above.

[0062] When the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, the antibody, and the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker gene of the present invention described above are jointly used with those of the Patent Document 22, arteriosclerosis can be detected with much higher accuracy.

Examples

[0063] Hereunder is a detailed description of the present invention with reference to Examples. However, the present invention is not to be limited by the following description.

Production Example

(Preparation of samples)

[0064]

(1) The subjects were patients with carotid artery stenoses who had visited our hospital or cooperative institutes. The reference (control) healthy subjects were selected from outpatients so that both groups had matched gender and age (±5 years). When they were visiting as outpatients or hospitalized in the neurosurgery department; 1) their families were explained that this study was to be conducted for research purposes and that cooperation with the study was not compulsory, and informed consents were obtained from them; 2) questions about the family history, the past history, the life style such as drinking and smoking habits, and the work style were asked; 3) blood was

collected and separated into serum and corpuscle components and cryopreserved; and furthermore, 4) the clinical seriousness, the therapeutic process, the findings of the blood examination and the like were recorded on the basis of the medical record of the doctor. The patient blood as the analyte was separated into serum and cryopreserved at -80°C until the study was started. The antibodies and the medical records were used after encryption and anonymization.

(2) Regarding the target of screening with serum, commercial λZAP II phage vectors (STRATAGENE) recombined with a human microvascular endothelium-derived cDNA library were used.

(Expression cloning method)

[0065]

(3) The screening by the expression cloning method was conducted with reference to the method of St John, T et. al. (Science, 231, 845-850, 1986).

1) The above-mentioned phage vector of (2) was infected into *E. coli* (XL1-Blue) and cultured on a NZY agar medium (Φ15 cm dish).

2) After confirming the emergence of plaques, an IPTG-treated nitrocellulose membrane was placed on the medium, and the phage-derived protein was expressed and transferred to the nitrocellulose membrane.

3) The patient serum which had been diluted 2000-fold with 1% BSA/PBS and the nitrocellulose membrane were incubated overnight to cause a reaction between the expression proteins and the antibodies in the serum (serum IgG).

4) After washing, the alkaline phosphatase-labeled goat anti-human IgG antibody as a secondary antibody was reacted with the nitrocellulose membrane.

5) Serum IgG-recognizing clones were identified by using NBT (nitroblue terazolium) and BCIP (5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl-phosphate) as a coloring reagent.

6) The positive clones were subjected to secondary and tertiary screening (in Φ10 cm dish) and false positive clones were removed.

7) The selected phage was converted to pBlueScript with the ExAssist helper phage system (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA).

8) The plasmid was purified with use of the Plasmid Miniprep kit (Sigma).

9) The nucleotide sequences of the obtained clones were determined by a

sequencer, and were subjected to a homology search using published databases. By so doing, the genes were identified and these clones were used as candidate antigen proteins.

(ELISA method)

[0066]

(4) ELISA method as secondary screening

1) The pBluescript including the insert of the candidate antigen protein was recombined into a protein expression and purification vector pGEX-4T (Amersham Bioscience). From the obtained nucleotide sequence information, restriction enzymes suitable for the recombination from pBluescript to pGEX-4T were selected, and treatments were done with restriction enzymes such as BamH I, Sal I, Not I, EcoR I, Xho I, and Sma I.

2) After agarose gel electophoresis, the band of interest was cut out by using the purification kit GeneElute Minus EtBr Spin Columns (SIGMA), and the restriction enzyme digested insert and the pGEX-4T were recovered.

3) The insert and the pGEX-4T were ligated with the Ligation-Convenience Kit (Nippongene) to thereby produce a plasmid containing the insert.

4) When there was no restriction enzyme suitable for some clones, the inserts thereof were produced by PCR. Primers having a restriction enzyme recognition site were produced in advance, and RNA extracted from aneurysmal tissue was used as a template to conduct reverse transcription PCR. Thereby, cDNA was produced. Another PCR was conducted to obtain the total length of the insert. Thereafter, the same treatment was carried out using the restriction enzymes and the ligation kit.

5) The obtained recombinant pGEX-4T was used to transform *E. coli* competent cell BL21 (Nippongene) modified for eukaryotic protein expression.

6) This product was cultured in an ampicillin-containing LB medium, and the expression of the insert DNA-

derived protein was induced with IPTG.
7) *E. coli* was recovered through centrifugal separation and ruptured by sonication to separate into a soluble fraction and an insoluble fraction.
8) If the target protein was in the insoluble fraction, this was solubilized by using urea.
9) The antigen protein was purified with the glutathione-Sepharose (Amersham Pharmacia).
10) The antigen protein was injected in a 96-well ELISA plate at a concentration of 10 μg/ml, stored at 4°C overnight, and solid-phased.
11) After washing with PBS and blocking with a PBS solution containing 10% fetal bovine serum, patient serum and control serum (serum of healthy subject) were diluted 2000-fold and reacted with the solid-phased protein.
12) After washing with PBS, HRP-labeled goat anti-human IgG antibody was added.
13) A color was developed by adding a substrate, and the absorption at OD 490 nm was measured using a plate reader.

(Western blotting method)

(5) Secondary screening by western blotting method

[0067]

1) *E. coli* (SOLR, JM109, BL21) transformed with the pBluescript or the pGEX-4T including the insert of the candidate antigen protein obtained from the above, was cultured with 2 ml of LB ampicillin (50 μg/ml) overnight.
2) This was transferred to 20 ml of LB ampicillin and cultured for one hour, and was then added with IPTG to give a final concentration of 1 mM. The resultant sample with IPTG and a control sample (without the addition of IPTG) were cultured for another 3 hours.
3) The culture liquid was centrifuged, and *E. coli* was recovered therefrom. This was dissolved with a SDS sample buffer for use as a sample of the western method.
4) This sample was electophoresed on a 10% polyacrylamide gel, and the protein was transferred to a nitrocellulose membrane using a blotting apparatus.
5) This was blocked with 1% skim milk and then was added with a 2000-fold diluted patient serum as a primary antibody, followed by overnight incubation.
6) After washing with PBST (20 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.6), 50 mM NaCl, 0.1% Tween-20), 30,000-fold diluted HRP-labeled goat anti-human IgG antibody was added and allowed to react for 20 minutes.
7) After washing with PBST, a luminescent reagent Immobilon Western (MILLIPORE) was used to effect light emission.
8) The membrane was exposed to a film and developed.
9) The band which became detectable depending on the IPTG treatment was assumed to be of an antigen protein.

Verification of the gene marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis by sequencing

[0068] The nucleotide sequences of the genes (gene markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis) of the detected clones were determined by sequencing. The thus determined nucleotide sequences were cross-checked with nucleotide sequences in published gene databases. As a result, the genes of the obtained clones had consistent nucleotide sequences with those of the genes that encode the polypeptides for diagnosing arteriosclerosis mentioned above.

Example 1

Measurement of the antibody titer by ELISA method

[0069] Using the experimental protocol of the Production Example mentioned above, the antibody levels of the thirteen out of the eighteen types of the detected arteriosclerosis diagnostic marker candidates were measured by ELISA, and the presence of the serum antibodies was confirmed. The results of the measurement are shown in Table 2.

[Table 2]

Clone name	Patient (P)			Healthy subject (N)	
	Average	Standard deviation	p value (two-sided)	Average	Standard deviation
S19A3	0.386	0.00912	0.0000	0.272	0.0624

(continued)

Clone name	Patient (P)			Healthy subject (N)	
	Average	Standard deviation	p value (two-sided)	Average	Standard deviation
TS27A2	0.306	0.1246	0.0011	0.229	0.0909
S21B1	0.206	0.1271	0.0078	0.146	0.0779
S25E1	0.346	0.3338	0.0145	0.210	0.1515
TS12D2	0.318	0.1959	0.0227	0.242	0.1019
S36C3	0.050	00407	0.0281	0.035	0.0207
N48B1	0.211	0.1109	0.0472	0.165	0.1065
S28D1	0.493	0.2525	0.0642	0.400	0.2251
TS27H1	0.093	0.0827	0.0645	0.067	0.0393
PA105	0.256	0.1414	0.0000	0.1417	0.0891
PA202	0.289	0.1546	0.0097	0.2157	0.1054
PA213	0.440	0.2052	0.0002	0.2955	0.1368
PA234	0.150	0.1001	0.0131	0.1046	0.0705

Example 2

Verification of the expression of arteriosclerosis marker genes by western blotting method

[0070] The five types of clones of the candidate gene markers identified by the expression cloning method, that is, those unused in Example 1, were verified for the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker gene in arteriosclerosis patients by the western blotting method. The detection results thereof are shown in FIG. 1 (positive signal in western blots is indicated by the arrow in the figure.). FIG. 1(a) shows the results of Clone Name: S16D2 (SEQ ID NO: 22 of the Sequence Listing), FIG. 1(b) shows the results of Clone Name: S27D3 (SEQ ID NO: 24 of the Sequence Listing), FIG. 1(c) shows the results of Clone Name: S36E1 (SEQ ID NO: 26 of the Sequence Listing), FIG. 1(d) shows the results of Clone Name: S39D6 (SEQ ID NO: 28 of the Sequence Listing), and FIG. 1(e) shows the results of Clone Name: TS27B2 (SEQ ID NO: 30 of the Sequence Listing).

[0071] As shown in Table 2, with the thirteen types of candidate gene markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis obtained from the screening of this Example, the measurement by the ELISA method showed a difference between the antibody titer of patients and the antibody titer of healthy subject serums. Furthermore, with eleven types of candidate gene markers, a significant difference was found.

[0072] In addition, as shown in FIG. 1, with five types of candidate gene markers obtained from the screening of this Example, positive signals for the specific reaction were confirmed by the western blotting method.

INDUSTRIAL APPLICABILITY

[0073] According to the polypeptide markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, the gene markers for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, the antibodies, the probes for detecting the arteriosclerosis marker genes, the DNA microarray or the DNA chip for detecting the arteriosclerosis marker genes, the method for detecting arteriosclerosis, and the kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis of the present invention, arteriosclerosis can be readily detected with high accuracy. These can be favorably used for the early stage diagnosis of arteriosclerosis.

[0074] Sequence Listing

SEQUENCE LISTING

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Claims

1. Use of a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, as a polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis.

2. Use of a polynucleotide represented by a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence according to claim 1, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids, as a polynucleotide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis.

3. Use of a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO 2 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial nucleotide sequence thereof consisting of twelve or more nucleotides, as a gene expression marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis.

4. Use of an antibody specifically bindable to the polypeptide according to claim 1 for diagnosing arteriosclerosis.

5. Use of a probe for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, which comprises all or a part of DNA that is hybridizable with the nucleotide sequence according to either one of claim 2 and claim 3 under a stringent condition.

6. The use of a probe for diagnosing arteriosclerosis according to claim 5, which comprises all or a part of antisense DNA for the polynucleotide according to claim 3.

7. Use of a DNA microarray or a DNA chip for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, wherein the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker expression gene according to claim 5 and/or the probe for detecting an arteriosclerosis marker expression gene according to claim 6 is/are immobilized on a base plate.

8. A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein the antibody according to claim 4 is used to detect the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker polypeptide of SEQ ID NO 1 that is specifically bindable to the antibody, in a specimen sample.

9. A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein the polypeptide marker of SEQ ID NO 1 used for diagnosing arteriosclerosis according to claim 1 is used to detect the expression of an arteriosclerosis marker antibody that is specifically bindable to the polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, in a specimen blood.

10. A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein the probe for detecting the arteriosclerosis polynucleotide marker according to either one of claim 5 and claim 6 is used to detect the expression of an arteriosclerosis marker poly-

nucleotide that is hybridizable with the probe for detecting the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker gene, in a specimen cell.

11. A method for detecting arteriosclerosis, wherein a primer is constructed based on a nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO 2 of the Sequence Listing, and PCR is conducted with use of the primer to detect the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker gene encoding the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO 1.

12. Use of a kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, including at least one item selected from the group consisting of the probe for detecting the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker gene according to either one of claim 5 and claim 6, the DNA microarray or the DNA chip for detecting the expression of the arteriosclerosis marker gene according to claim 7, and the antibody according to claim 4.

13. Use of a kit for diagnosing arteriosclerosis, including a polypeptide marker for diagnosing arteriosclerosis which comprises a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO 1 of the Sequence Listing, or a partial amino acid sequence thereof consisting of four or more amino acids.

Patentansprüche

1. Gebrauch eines Polypeptids mit einer in SEQ ID NO 1 des Sequenzprotokolls angegebenen Aminosäuresequenz oder einer teilweisen Aminosäuresequenz davon, bestehend aus vier oder mehr Aminosäuren, als ein Polypeptidmarker zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose.

2. Gebrauch eines Polynukleotids, repräsentiert durch eine Nukleotidsequenz, die für die Aminosäuresequenz nach Anspruch 1 oder für eine teilweise Aminosäuresequenz davon, bestehend aus vier oder mehr Aminosäuren, codiert, als ein Polynukleotidmarker zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose.

3. Gebrauch eines Polynukleotids mit einer in SEQ ID NO 2 des Sequenzprotokolls angegebenen Nukleotidsequenz oder einer teilweisen Nukleotidsequenz davon, bestehend aus zwölf oder mehr Nukleotiden, als ein Genexpressionsmarker zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose.

4. Gebrauch eines Antikörpers, der spezifisch an das Polypeptid nach Anspruch 1 binden kann, zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose.

5. Gebrauch einer Sonde zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose, welche die gesamte DNA, die unter einer stringenten Bedingung mit der Nukleotidsequenz nach Anspruch 2 oder 3 hybridisiert werden kann, oder einen Teil davon umfasst.

6. Gebrauch einer Sonde zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose nach Anspruch 5, umfassend die gesamte Antisense-DNA für das Polynukleotid nach Anspruch 3 oder einen Teil davon.

7. Gebrauch eines DNA-Microarrays oder eines DNA-Chips zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose, wobei die Sonde zum Erkennen eines Arteriosklerosemarker-Expressionsgens nach Anspruch 5 und/oder die Sonde zum Erkennen eines Arteriosklerosemarker-Expressionsgens nach Anspruch 6 auf einer Grundplatte befestigt ist/sind.

8. Verfahren zum Erkennen von Arteriosklerose, wobei der Antikörper nach Anspruch 4 verwendet wird, um die Exprimierung des Arteriosklerosemarker-Polypeptids nach SEQ ID NO 1, das spezifisch an den Antikörper binden kann, in einer Probe zu erkennen.

9. Verfahren zum Erkennen von Arteriosklerose, wobei der Polypeptid marker von SEQ ID NO 1 zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose nach Anspruch 1 eingesetzt wird, um die Exprimierung eines Arteriosklerosemarker-Antikörpers, der spezifisch an den Polypeptidmarker zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose bindet, in einem Probenblut zu erkennen.

10. Verfahren zum Erkennen von Arteriosklerose, wobei die Sonde zum Erkennen des Arteriosklerose-Polynukleotidmarkers nach Anspruch 5 oder 6 eingesetzt wird, um die Exprimierung eines Arteriosklerosemarker-Polynukleotids, das zum Erkennen der Exprimierung des Arteriosklerosemarkergens mit der Sonde hybridisiert werden kann, in einer Probenzelle zu erkennen.

11. Verfahren zum Erkennen von Arteriosklerose, wobei ein Primer auf der Grundlage einer in SEQ ID NO 2 des Sequenzprotokolls angegebenen Nukleotidsequenz erzeugt wird und PCR unter Verwendung des Primers durchgeführt wird, um die Exprimierung des Arteriosklerosemarkergens zu erkennen, das für das Polypeptid nach SEQ ID NO 1 codiert.

12. Gebrauch eines Kits zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose, wenigstens ein Objekt enthaltend, ausgewählt aus der Gruppe bestehend aus der Sonde zum Erkennen der Exprimierung des Arteriosklerosemarkergens nach Anspruch 5 oder 6, dem DNA-Microarray oder dem DNA-Chip zum Erkennen der Exprimierung des Arteriosklerosemarkergens nach Anspruch 7 und dem Antikörper nach Anspruch 4.

13. Gebrauch eines Kits zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose, einschließlich eines Polypeptidmarkers zum Diagnostizieren von Arteriosklerose, welcher Folgendes umfasst:

ein Polypeptid mit einer in SEQ ID NO 1 des Sequenzprotokolls angegebenen Aminosäuresequenz oder einer teilweisen Aminosäuresequenz davon, bestehend aus vier oder mehr Aminosäuren.

Revendications

1. Utilisation d'un polypeptide ayant une séquence d'acides aminés décrite dans SEQ ID n° 1 du listage de séquences, ou une séquence d'acides aminés partielle de celle-ci constituée de quatre acides aminés ou plus, en tant que marqueur polypeptidique pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose.

2. Utilisation d'un polynucléotide représenté par une séquence nucléotidique qui code pour la séquence d'acides aminés selon la revendication 1, ou une séquence d'acides aminés partielle de celle-ci constituée de quatre acides aminés ou plus, en tant que marqueur polynucléotidique pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose.

3. Utilisation d'un polynucléotide ayant une séquence nucléotidique décrite dans SEQ ID n° 2 du listage de séquences, ou une séquence nucléotidique partielle de celle-ci constituée de douze nucléotides ou plus, en tant que marqueur d'expression génétique pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose.

4. Utilisation d'un anticorps pouvant être spécifiquement lié au polypeptide selon la revendication 1 pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose.

5. Utilisation d'une sonde pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose, qui comprend la totalité ou une partie de l'ADN qui peut être hybridé avec la séquence nucléotidique selon l'une quelconque des revendications 2 ou 3 sous une condition stringente.

6. Utilisation d'une sonde pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose selon la revendication 5, qui comprend la totalité ou une partie de l'ADN antisens pour le polynucléotide selon la revendication 3.

7. Utilisation d'un micro-réseau à ADN ou d'une puce à ADN pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose, dans laquelle la sonde permettant de détecter un marqueur d'expression génétique de l'artériosclérose selon la revendication 5 et/ou la sonde permettant de détecter un marqueur d'expression génétique de l'artériosclérose selon la revendication 6 est/sont immobilisée(s) sur une plaque de base.

8. Procédé de détection de l'artériosclérose, dans lequel l'anticorps selon la revendication 4 est utilisé pour détecter l'expression du polypeptide marqueur de l'artériosclérose de SEQ ID n° 1 qui peut être spécifiquement lié à l'anticorps, dans un échantillon d'essai.

9. Procédé de détection de l'artériosclérose, dans lequel le marqueur polypeptidique de SEQ ID n° 1 utilisé pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose selon la revendication 1 est utilisé pour détecter l'expression d'un anticorps marqueur de l'artériosclérose qui peut être spécifiquement lié au marqueur polypeptidique pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose, dans un échantillon de sang.

10. Procédé de détection de l'artériosclérose, dans lequel la sonde permettant de détecter le marqueur polynucléotidique de l'artériosclérose selon l'une quelconque des revendications 5 ou 6 est utilisée pour détecter l'expression d'un polynucléotide marqueur de l'artériosclérose qui peut être hybridé avec la sonde permettant de détecter l'expression

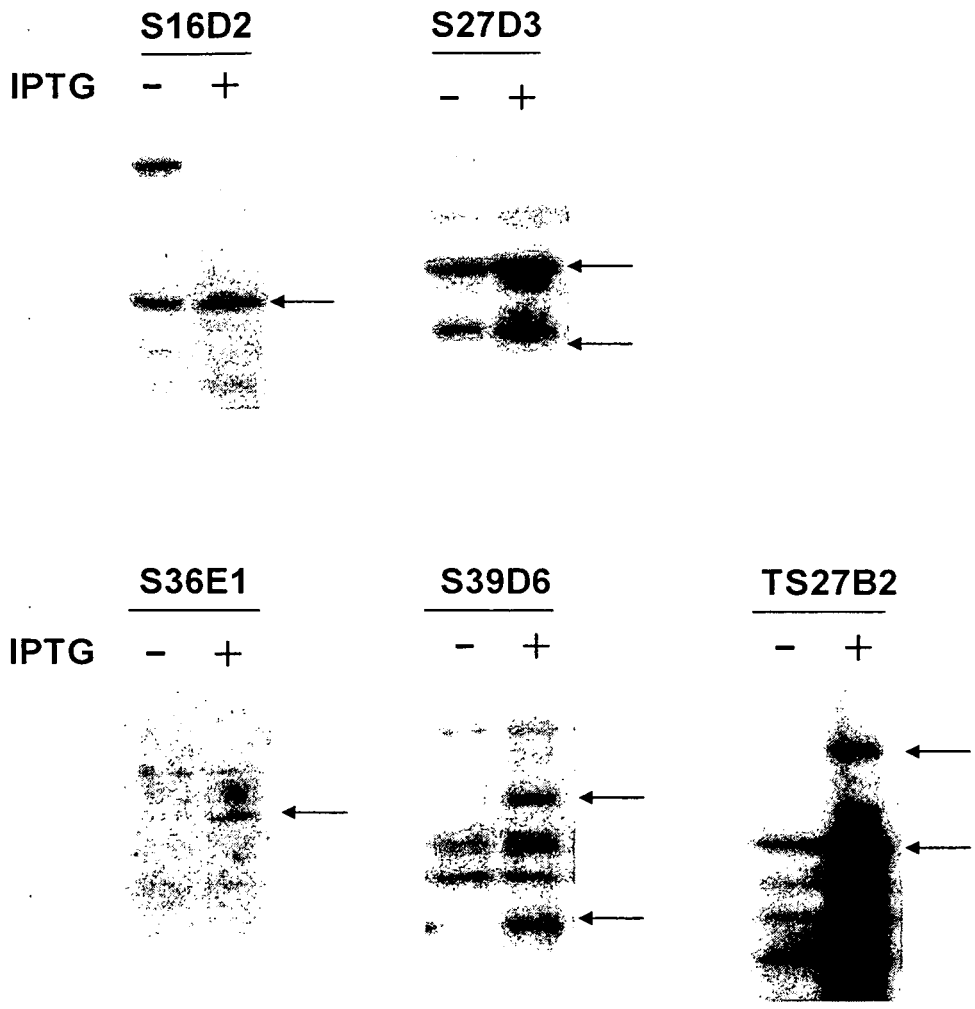
du gène marqueur de l'artériosclérose, dans une cellule d'essai.

11. Procédé de détection de l'artéri osclérose, dans lequel une amorce est construite d'après l'ensemble de séquences nucléotidiques décrit dans SEQ ID n° 2 du listage de séquences, et la PCR est effectuée en utilisant l'amorce pour détecter l'expression du gène marqueur de l'artériosclérose codant pour le polypeptide de SEQ ID n° 1.

12. Utilisation d'un kit de diagnostic de l'artériosclérose comprenant au moins un élément choisi dans le groupe constitué par la sonde permettant de détecter l'expression du gène marqueur de l'artériosclérose selon l'une quelconque des revendications 5 ou 6, le micro-réseau à ADN ou la puce à ADN permettant de détecter l'expression du gène marqueur de l'artériosclérose selon la revendication 7 et l'anticorps selon la revendication 4.

13. Utilisation d'un kit de diagnostic de l'artériosclérose comprenant un marqueur polypeptidique pour le diagnostic de l'artériosclérose qui comprend un polypeptide ayant un ensemble de séquences d'acides aminés décrit dans SEQ ID n° 1 du listage de séquences, ou une séquence d'acides aminés partielle de celle-ci constituée de quatre acides aminés ou plus.

FIG. 1



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公开了用于诊断动脉硬化的多肽标记物;用于诊断动脉硬化的基因标记物;抗体;用于检测动脉硬化标志物基因的探针;用于检测动脉硬化标记基因的DNA微阵列或DNA芯片;一种检测动脉硬化的方法;和用于诊断动脉硬化的试剂盒;可以检测到动脉硬化病变，并且准确性大大提高。具体公开了：用于诊断动脉硬化的多肽标记物，其包含具有SEQ ID NO：1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19中任一个所示氨基酸序列的多肽，序列表中的21,23,25,27,29,31,33和35，或其部分氨基酸序列;编码氨基酸序列的基因;用于检测基因的探针;DNA微阵列或包含该探针的DNA芯片;可与多肽结合的抗体作为抗原;包括上述任何一项的试剂盒;以及通过使用上述任一项检测动脉硬化的方法。

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