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## Effects of central and peripheral depletion of serotonergic system on carrageenan-induced paw oedema

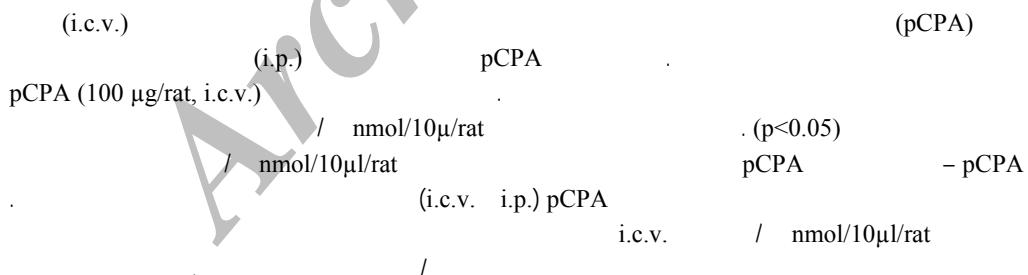
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**Abstract:** The role of serotonergic system was investigated on peripheral inflammation induced by intraplantar injection of carrageenan. Para-chlorophenylalanine (pCPA) was administered intracerebroventricularly (50, 100 µg/rat) or intraperitoneally (150 mg/kg, 3 days) and inflammation was induced by injection of carrageenan, 2 hours and 1 day later, respectively. Paw oedema was decreased significantly in pCPA-treated (100 µg/rat, i.c.v.) rats compared to control groups. Injection of exogenous serotonin (i.c.v.) by dose of 0.70 nmol/10µl/rat, but not the dose of 0.35 nmol/10µl/rat, 15 min after induction of inflammation completely reversed the anti-inflammatory effects of pCPA. Myeloperoxidase activity in inflamed paws were reduced significantly in groups who received (either i.c.v. or i.p.) pCPA compared to controls. Exogenous serotonin (0.70 nmol/10µl/rat) reduced inflammatory response when injected (i.c.v.) 30 min before or 30 min after the induction of inflammation. Injection of serotonin at the time of induction of inflammation had no inflammatory/anti-inflammatory effect. These results suggest that serotonin, as a neurotransmitter in central nervous system, may be involved in modulating peripheral inflammation.

**Keywords:** Serotonin, Inflammation, Carrageenan, Parachlorophenylalanine, Myeloperoxidase, Central Nervous System, Rats.



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(pCPA)

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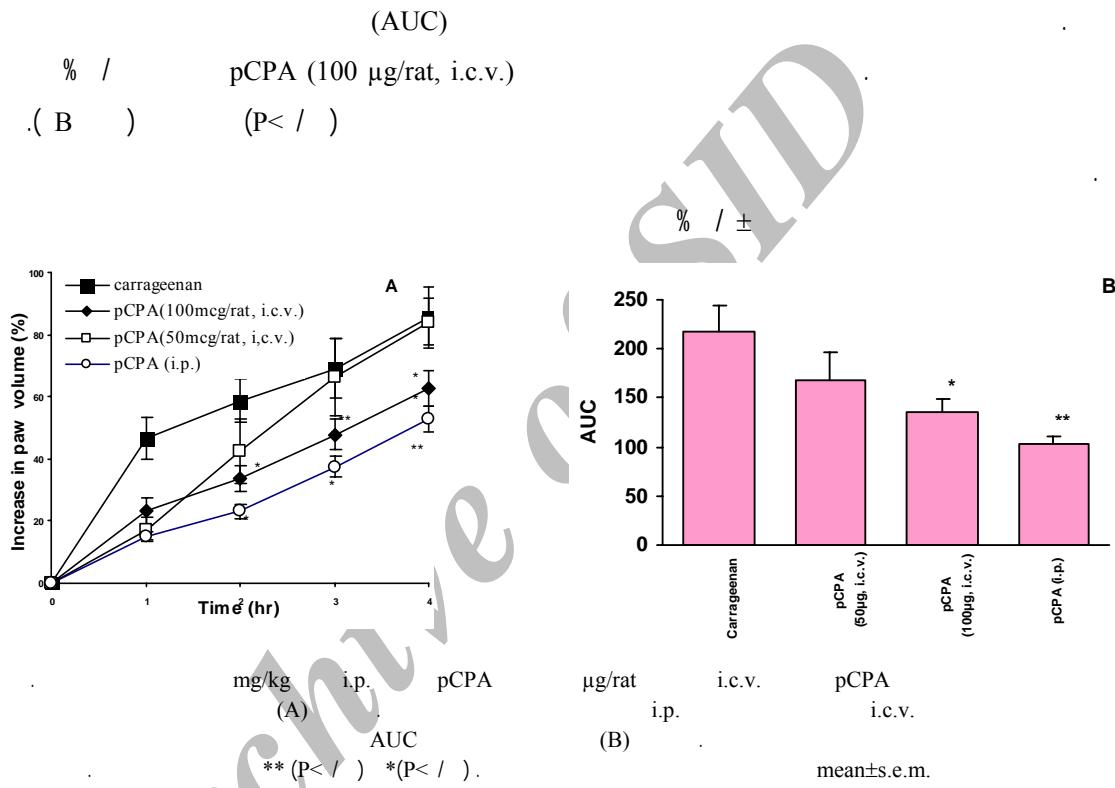
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**pCPA**

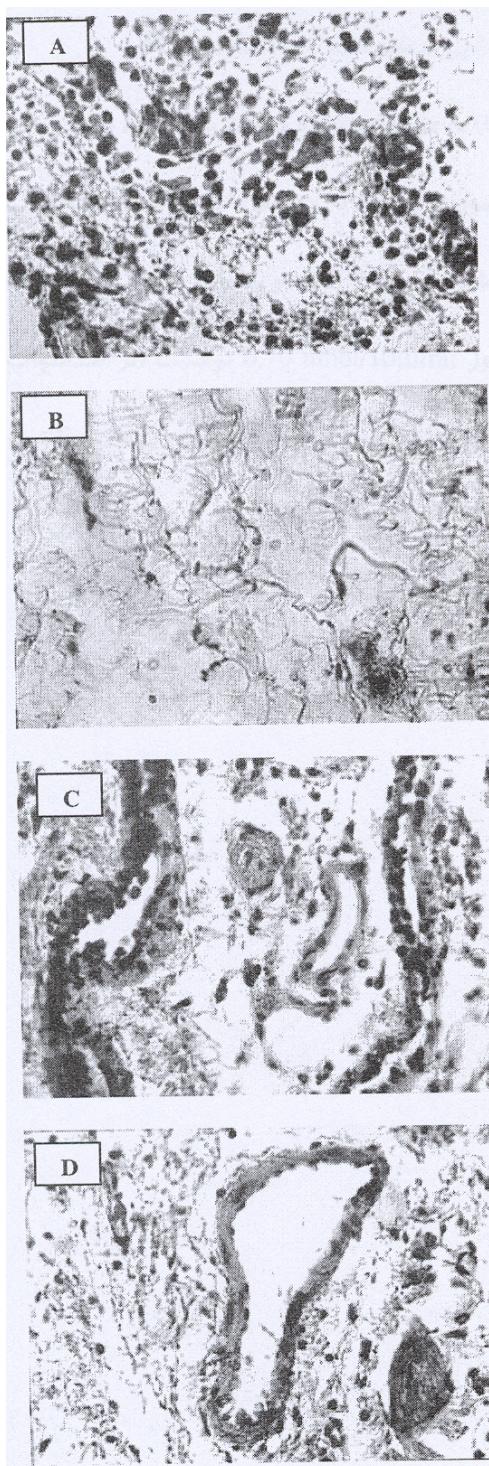
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i.c.v.                   $\mu\text{g/rat}$                   pCPA . . .  
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 ( ) pCPA                   $\mu\text{g/rat}$                   i.c.v.  
 (P< / )                  (P< / )  
 $\mu\text{g/rat}$                   ( ) mg/kg, i.p.                  ( )  
 ( A        )                  (i.c.v.)                  ( )  
 pCPA



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pCPA (       $\mu\text{g/rat}$ , i.c.v.)  
 % /                  (MPO)

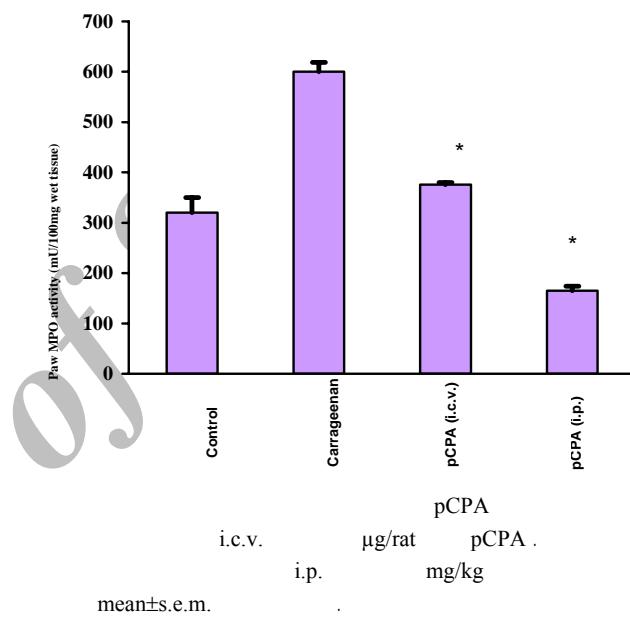


(A) PMNs i.p. mg/kg PCPA  
(B) pCPA × .  
(C) PMNs (D)

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pCPA (150 mg/kg, i.p. )

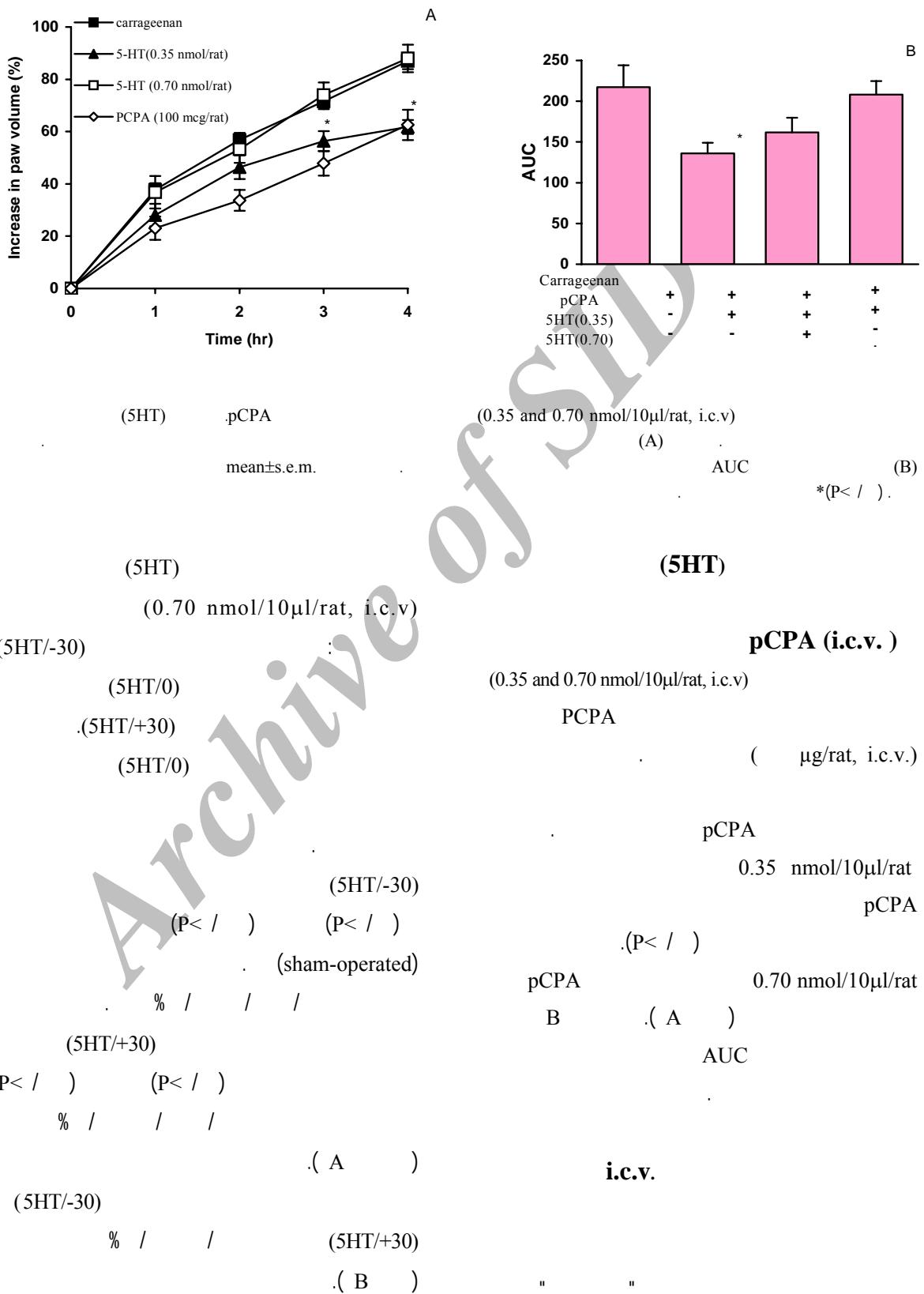
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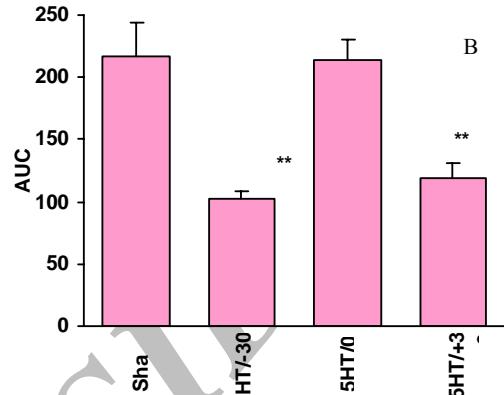
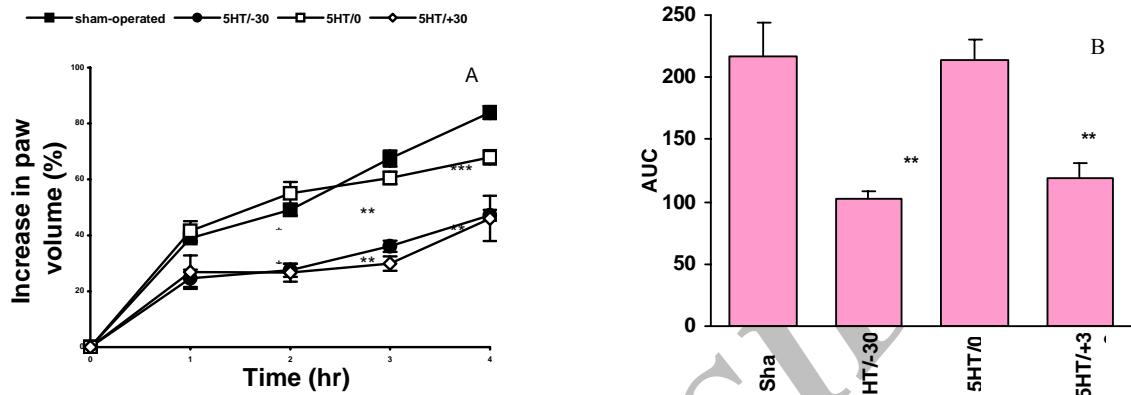


### pCPA

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PCPA  
.( D B ) i.p.





(5HT/-30) (5HT) (A) (0.70 nmol/10 $\mu$ l/rat, i.c.v) (B) (5HT/+30) (5HT/0)  
mean  $\pm$  s.e.m.

pCPA

( ) i.p.

pCPA

pCPA

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mRNAs

IL-6, TNF $\alpha$ , TGF $\beta$

( )

mRNAs

mRNAs

substance P (SP)

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SP SP 5HT<sub>3</sub>

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Mössner / i.c.v.

.( ) pCPA

(bell-shaped)

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