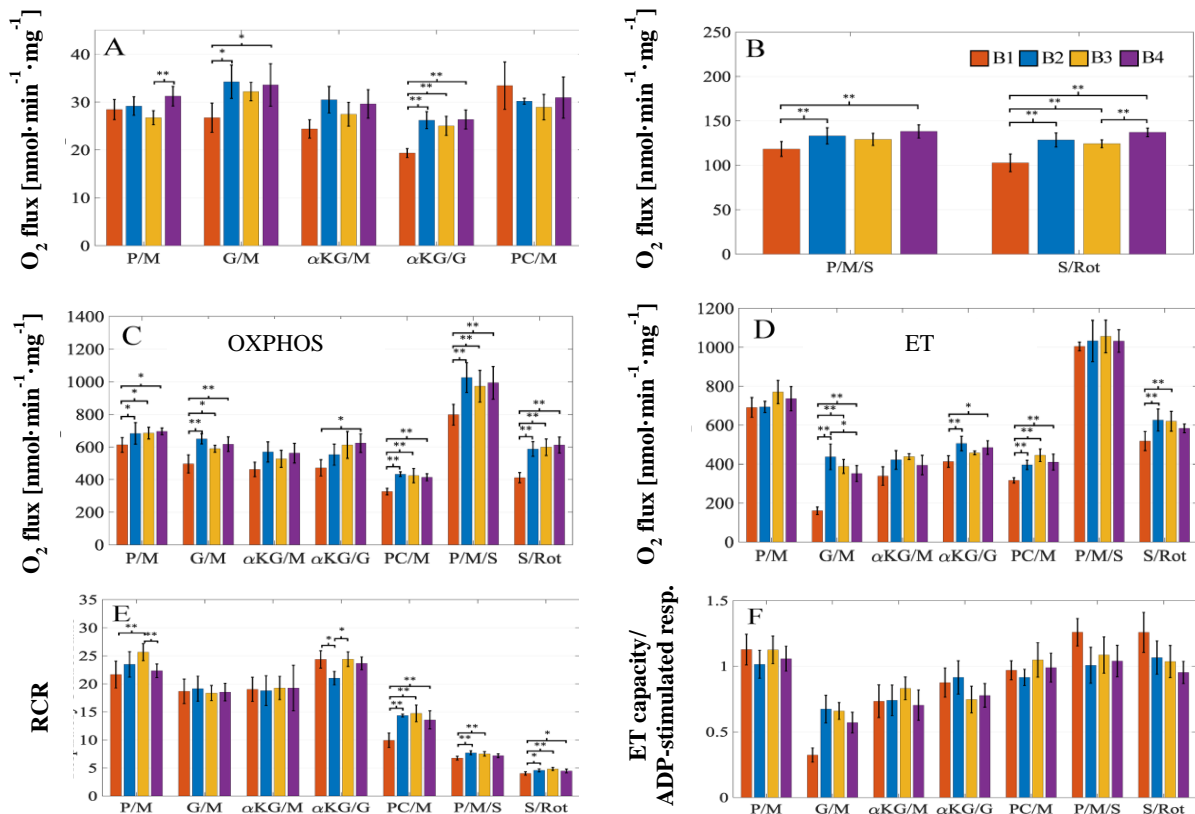


The effect of respiration buffer composition on mitochondrial metabolism and function.

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Composition of the respiration media influences the mitochondrial respiration and function



Effect of respiration media on mitochondrial respiration using heart mitochondria isolated from guinea-pig. (A) LEAK-respiration supported by NADH-linked substrates (GMP) and palmitoylcarnitine (PC). (B) LEAK-respiration supported by succinate in presence of rotenone (S/Rot) or in combination with NADH-linked substrates (PMS). (C) ADP-stimulated respiration supported by different substrates. (D) FCCP-stimulated respiration (ET; electron transfer-pathway capacity) in the presence of different substrates. (E) Respiratory control ratio (ADP-stimulated respiration/LEAK-respiration). (F) FCCP-stimulated respiration over the ADP-stimulated respiration (ET capacity/ADP-stimulated respiration). Data presented as mean ± standard deviation. * indicates a significance level $p < 0.05$, and ** indicates significance level of $p < 0.01$. Abbreviations: αKG: α-ketoglutarate; G: glutamate; M: malate; P: pyruvate; PC: palmitoylcarnitine; Rot: rotenone; S: succinate.

Respiration media:

B1 [mM]: 130 KCl, 5 K₂HPO₄, 1 MgCl₂, 20 MOPS, 1 EGTA, 0.1% BSA, pH=7.1; **B2** [mM]: MiR05 containing 0.5 EGTA, 3 MgCl₂, 60 lactobionic acid, 20 taurine, 10 KH₂PO₄, 20 HEPES, 110 sucrose, 0.1% BSA (<http://www.bioblast.at/index.php/MiR05>); **B3** [mM]: 130 K-gluconate, 5 K₂HPO₄, 1 MgCl₂, 20 MOPS, 1 EGTA, 0.1% BSA, pH=7.1; **B4** [mM]: 110 sucrose, 60 K-gluconate, 20 taurine, 10 KH₂PO₄, 3 MgCl₂, 20 HEPES, 0.1% BSA, pH=7.1.

The respiration buffer containing high levels of chloride (B1) shows lower respiration in every investigated respiratory state. The authors highlight the possible role of the chloride ions inhibiting the dicarboxylate carrier, the adenine nucleotide translocase and the αKG-exchanger

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