The 212th CARD Seminar

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Title: Freezing of Ovary
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Place: 210 room on the 2nd Floor at Center for Animal Resources and Development (CARD), Kumamoto University

Summary:

Ovarian cryopreservation has been demonstrated to be a valid option for archiving of mouse genetic resources. The mouse surgical ovary transfer was described in 1940, and later 1945 Russel and Hurt at the JAX published the technique that still using today. A slow freezing technique using DMSO as cryoprotectant (CPA) was developed at the Jax using slow freezing till -80°C with very good results. This study was followed by a complete histopathology of the frozen-thawed ovary which, indeed, showed that only the large follicles were affected, but the immature oocytes survive the process and produce fertile ova. In 2009 the freezing technique was modified to a two-step freezing in straws using PROH as CPA improving the results after surgically transferring the ovary pieces.

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