

表 5-7 DEHP のリパーゼ遺伝子発現への影響
Lipase-mRNA/GAPDH-mRNA

	Liver	Kidney	Lung	Small intestine
Mouse				
Control	1.48±0.67	7.45±2.10	8.21±2.86	0.21±0.06
DEHP	2.36±0.93	4.38±0.84*	10.26±5.44	0.27±0.31
Rat				
Control	0.54±0.04	0.45±0.05	4.98±1.32	0.10±0.08
DEHP	0.99±0.20*	0.22±0.03*	6.43±1.65	0.08±0.03
Marmoset				
Control	ND	0.0049±0.0036*	0.0033±0.0016*	0.0028±0.0012*
DEHP 100	ND	0.0145±0.0054	0.0095±0.0019	0.0029±0.0005
DEHP 500	ND	0.0067±0.0030	0.0097±0.0114	0.0020±0.0018
DEHP 2500	ND	0.0066±0.0016	0.0073±0.0053	0.0022±0.0024

*p<0.05

Immunoblot analysis of PPAR α -target genes

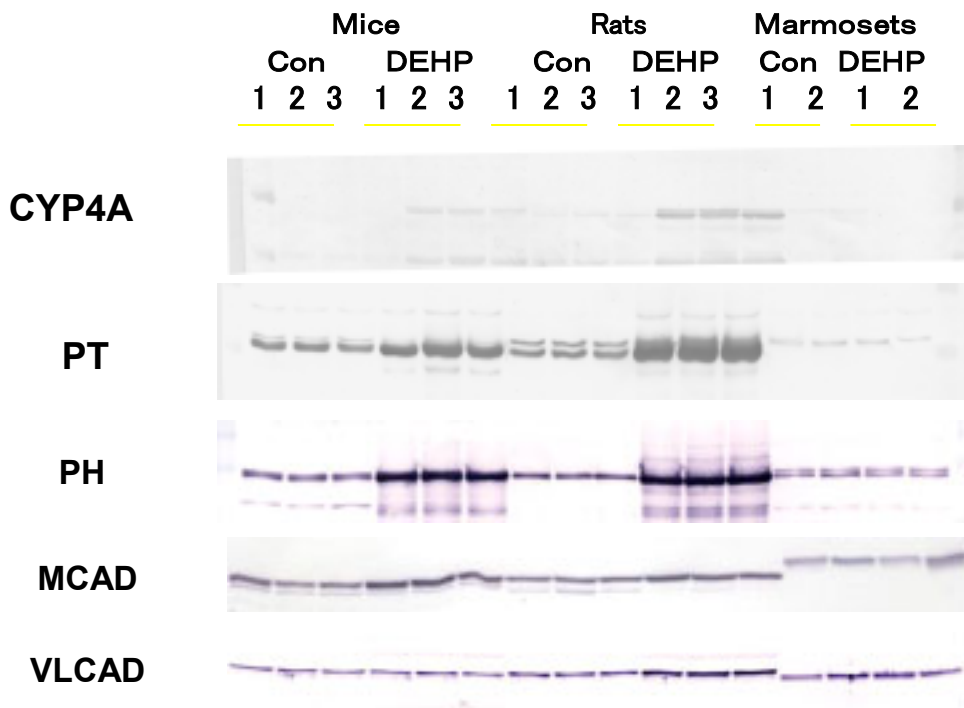


図 5-2 DEHP による遺伝子発

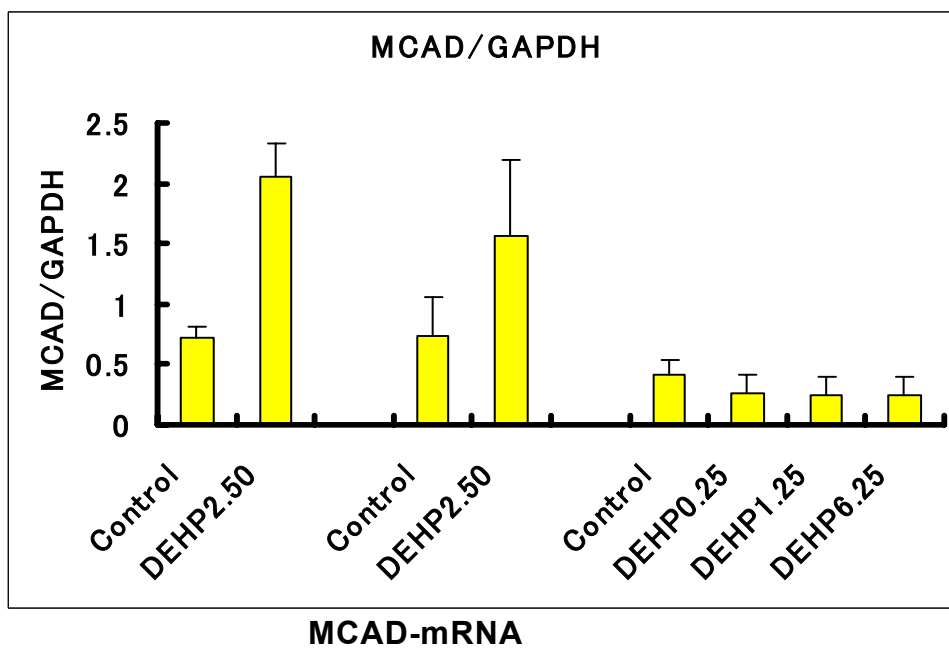
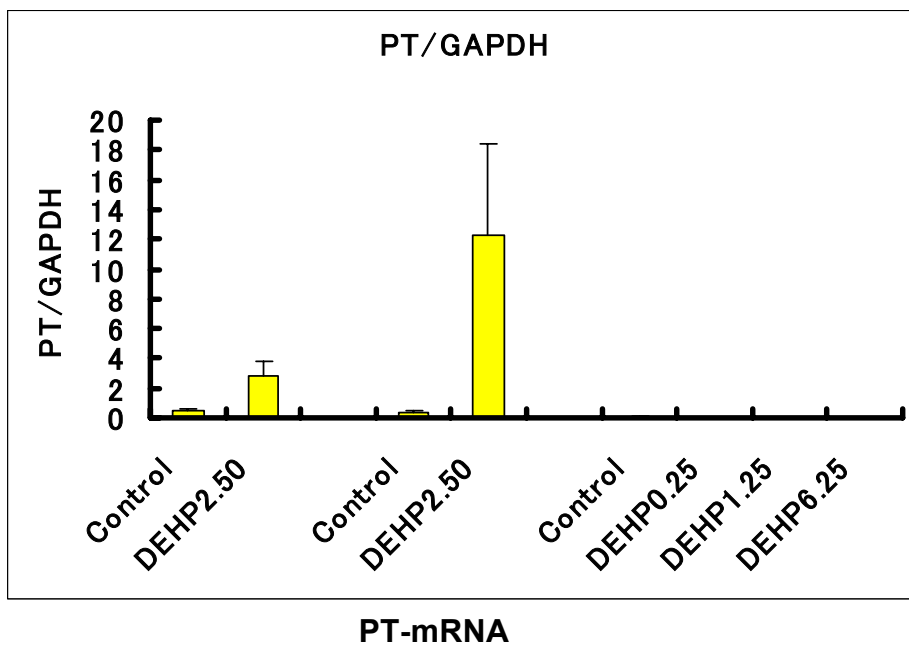


図 5-3 mRNAの発現
(マウス、ラット、マーモセットの順)

Mechanism of probable endocrine disruptor di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate on reproductive or developmental toxicity and the risk assessment

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Abstract

- 1) Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP) treatment (0.05%, feeding) decreased survival rates of fetuses and new born pups in wild-type mice, but not in PPAR α -null mice. Thus, the developmental toxicity of DEHP may be related to the PPAR α gene.
- 2) DEHP decreased serum testosterone levels in wild-type mice, which may be related to the decreased CYP17-mRNA in Leydig cells.
- 3) DEHP was the strongest ligand to PPAR α in the phthalic acids investigated.
- 4) There was a great species difference in lipase activity, measured by the rate of formation of mono(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (MEHP) from DEHP, among mice, rats and marmosets: the activity was highest in the mice and lowest in the marmosets. This might be because of the significant differences between V_{max}/K_m values of lipase for DEHP among species.
- 5) There was also a species difference in the induction of PPAR α -target genes by DEHP: in the peroxisomal enzymes, the induction was most prominent in rats, followed by mice and marmosets. The differences were not related to PPAR α levels.

Thus, the results suggest the need for close attention to uncertainty when data are extrapolated from animal to human.