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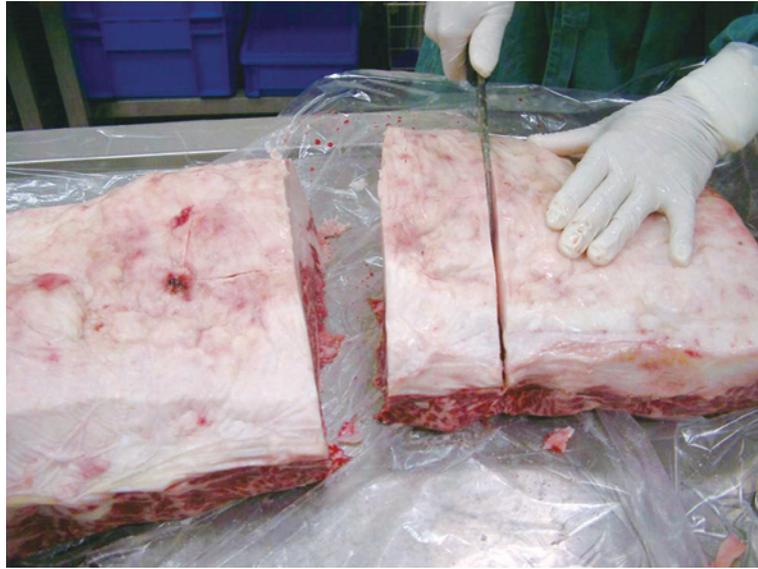


Round



Shoulder

Sliced meat of loin, round and shoulder derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned heifer used in the present investigation. The breed of heifer was Japanese Black beef cattle, Wagyu.



Loin



Shoulder

Preparation of retail cuts derived from somatic cell cloned heifer used in the present investigation. The breed of heifer was Japanese Black beef cattle, Wagyu.

Preface

“The risk assessment based on current scientific findings showed that food derived from SCNT (somatic cell nuclear transfer) cloned cattle and pigs and their offspring would have equivalent safety as those derived from cattle and pigs produced by the ATRs (assisted reproductive technologies)”. This is a conclusion of “Risk assessment report on foods derived from cloned cattle and pigs produced from somatic cell nuclear transfer and their offspring” issued by Food Safety Commission (FSC) of Japan in July 2009. FSC held committees for 16 times to have science-based discussions concerning safety of food products derived from these animals.

A report titled “Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle”, which was the only reference concerning characteristics of animal products derived from progeny of clones, were used as a scientific data book on the committees and could be found in “Reference” section of the risk assessment report by FSC. The report was published by National Institute of Livestock and Grassland Science (NILGS) of Japan in March 2008, as a part of “Research Project for Utilizing Advanced Technologies in Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (#1602, 2004–2008)” from the Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Council, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japan.

The report contains plenty of data concerning characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle including the nutritional constituents, digestion rate, allergenicity/mutagenicity potentials and twelve-month feeding study of rats. Few non-Japanese investigators recognize the presence of this report, since it is written in Japanese language. When this report is introduced to foreign visitors of NILGS who are interested in animal cloning technology, everybody requests its publication in English.

Responding to their requests, the English version of this report is published as No. 11 issue of “Memories of National Institute of Livestock and Grassland Science”. The issue, which contains the essence of the Japanese version, could be used as a precious data book concerning characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle by foreign researchers and administrators.

The risk assessments of somatic cell cloned animals and their progeny were carried out by Food and Drug Administration (USA) and European Food Safety Authority (European Commission). Following these cases, other organizations might perform such risk assessments. The present issue would be an instructive data book for their scientific assessments.

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刊行にあたって

「現時点における科学的知見に基づいて評価を行った結果、体細胞クローン牛及び豚並びにそれらの後代に由来する食品は、従来の繁殖技術による牛及び豚に由来する食品と比較して、同等の安全性を有すると考えられる」これが、わが国の食品安全委員会により、平成21年6月に公表された「新開発食品評価書：体細胞クローン技術を用いて産出された牛及び豚並びにそれらの後代に由来する食品」の結論である。この結論を導くため、食品安全委員会では16回にわたる各階層の委員会を開催し、科学的資料に基づく議論を重ねた。

その議論の際、世界唯一の体細胞クローン後代牛の生産物性状に関する資料として活用され、また、評価書の引用文献のひとつとして掲載されているものが、「体細胞クローン後代牛の生産物性状に関する調査報告書（平成20年3月）」である。この報告書は、平成16年度先端技術を活用した農林水産研究高度化事業の採択課題「産業利用に向けた体細胞クローン牛に関する技術開発と調査（課題番号：1602）」の一部として、畜産草地研究所が畜産生物科学安全研究所に再委託して実施した調査を取りまとめたものである。

この報告書には、体細胞クローン後代牛が生産した乳肉を対象に、栄養成分分析、ラットによる消化試験、マウス腹壁法によるアレルギー誘発試験、マウスを用いる小核試験、ラットを用いる12カ月間の飼養・生殖併合試験が収録されている。これらの内容は、一部が英文の学術論文として報告されているものの、和文で表記されている関係上、残念ながら、海外の研究者などの目に触れることはなかった。しかしながら、畜産草地研究所を訪問した海外の研究者や行政官にこの資料を紹介すると例外なく非常な関心を示し、英語版の刊行を熱望し、所を後にしていった。

そのような要望に応え、今回、「Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle」と題する上記報告書の英語版を作成し、畜産草地研究所研究資料第11号として刊行することにした。英語版の作成にあたっては、上記報告書の総括部分をもとにコンパクトにまとめた。これによって、体細胞クローン後代牛が生産した乳肉の安全性に関する稀少かつ貴重なデータを海外の研究者や行政官なども利用できるようになった。

体細胞クローン家畜やその後代のリスク評価は、わが国に先立って米国食品医薬品局（FDA）と欧州食品安全機関（EFSA）において行われている。今後、諸外国でも同様のリスク評価が行われることが予想され、その際、当資料の活用が期待される。

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Characteristics of Milk/Meat Derived from Progeny of Somatic Cell Cloned Cattle

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SUMMARY

The progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle might be appropriate candidates for commercial animals for milk/meat production; however, there are almost no available data for their safety as sources of food. This investigation was conducted to obtain data concerning the characteristics of milk/meat derived from these animals. To check the equivalence of their products to conventional milk/meat, the obtained data were compared with those of conventionally bred cattle. The investigated indices concerning the nutritional constituents of milk/meat were for general components, amino acids and fatty acids. After the milk/meat was processed to freeze-dried powder, digestion rate, allergenicity and mutagenicity potentials of the products were examined by *in vivo* digestion test, mouse abdominal wall method and mouse micronucleus test, respectively. No significant differences in these indices were found between products derived from the progeny and those derived from conventionally bred cattle. With regard to chronic toxicities of milk/meat derived from the progeny during the process of development and reproduction, a twelve-month feeding study was carried out with rat groups fed a diet supplemented with the milk/meat powder. The rats were subjected to clinical observations of general health condition and examinations such as sensory/reflex function, grip strength, motor activity, body weight, food consumption, ophthalmology and urinalysis. Moreover, sexually matured rats fed the test diets were mated and examined for indices such as the reproductive performances of the dams and health of their pups. After the feeding period, indices related to rat health status, based on the findings for hematology, clinical biochemistry, necropsy, organ weight and histology, were examined. There were no biologically significant differences in obtained indices between the rat groups fed meat/milk powder-supplemented diets derived from the progeny and those in rat groups fed meat/milk powder-supplemented diets derived from conventionally bred cattle. These findings suggest that milk/meat derived from the progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle might be equivalent to those derived from conventionally bred cattle.

Keywords: cattle, somatic cell clone, progeny, milk/meat, characteristics

INTRODUCTION

The Research Institute for Animal Science in Biochemistry and Toxicology (RIAS) carried out

a three-year project (1999–2002) concerning the characteristics of milk/meat derived from embryonic and somatic cell cloned cattle from the Japan Livestock Technology Association. In this project,

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the following data obtained from milk/meat were compared between somatic cell cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle: general components, amino acids and fatty acids, digestibility, allergenicity, mutagenicity and results of fourteen-week feeding test of rats. These results demonstrated that there were no significant differences in the obtained data between the clones and conventionally bred cattle. No harmful effects on rats were observed when they were fed with milk/meat derived from the clones^{15,35,45}.

Although somatic cell nuclear transfer technology has been considered as a promising innovatory technology for livestock agriculture^{4,5,40,41}, the productive efficiency of cloned cattle is insufficient for practical use. In contrast, no remarkable differences in health status and reproductive performance were found among conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle³⁹. Therefore, progeny of clones might be appropriate candidates for commercial animals for milk/meat production; however, there are almost no available data for their safety as sources of food. This investigation was conducted to obtain data concerning the characteristics of milk/meat derived from the progeny. Most of the indices observed in the present investigation were designed in accordance with the previous project described above; however, the period of rat feeding test was prolonged to twelve months as a chronic toxicity test to obtain data concerning the consumption risks of these edible products. During the feeding period, sexually mature rats were mated in order to assess the toxicity of milk/meat derived from the progeny in terms of

fertilization, embryo development and newborn growth. To check the substantial equivalence of the progeny and conventionally bred cattle, obtained data were compared between them.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Progeny of cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle

Three female progeny derived from dairy cattle (Holstein) were produced by artificial insemination (AI) of somatic cell cloned cows⁴⁷ with frozen-thawed semen derived from a conventionally bred bull. Three conventionally bred dairy cattle (Holstein) were also produced by AI as controls. These cattle were produced and raised at the National Livestock Breeding Center.

Three female progeny derived from beef cattle (Japanese Black) were produced by AI of conventionally bred cows with frozen-thawed semen derived from a somatic cell cloned bull³³. They were produced and raised at Oita Prefectural Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Center. Three conventionally bred beef cattle (Japanese black) were also produced by AI as controls and were raised at the Shiga Prefectural Livestock Technology Promotion Center (Table 1). These cattle were fattened for meat production. To obtain reference data of blood properties in Japanese Black fattened heifers, an additional 33 heifers, which were under fattening trials at three institutions (Nagasaki Prefectural Livestock Experiment Station, Fukushima

Table 1. Somatic cell cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle used for meat production and investigation of blood properties

Heifer*	Produced institution	Individual identification code	Name	Date of birth
Progeny of cloned cattle	Oita Prefectural Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Research Center	T1	ITOHIKARI-1	February 27, 2002
		T2	ITOHIKARI-2	March 9, 2002
		T3**	ITOHIKARI-3	June 3, 2002
		T4	ITOHIKARI-4	April 23, 2002
Conventionally bred cattle	Shiga Prefectural Livestock Technology Promotion Center	B82	YASUKO	January 26, 2002
		B89	UMEHIROKO	March 21, 2002
		B90	HANAYO	January 23, 2002

*: Heifers of fattened Japanese Black beef cattle.

** : T3 was used for investigation of blood properties but not for nutritional analysis and animal feeding studies of the meat.

Agricultural Technology Centre and Shiga Prefectural Livestock Technology Promotion Center), were also used for this study.

Blood collection from cattle

In beef cattle, blood was collected from the jugular vein for hematological and clinical biochemistry analyses. Collections were carried out from the heifers at 22–28 months of age. Blood was collected 3–4 times from the progeny and twice from conventionally bred cattle.

Preparation of milk/meat powder

Milk was collected independently from three progeny and three conventionally bred cows in the morning from the 3rd to 6th weeks of lactation and was stored at -25°C as frozen milk plates. The frozen milk plates were freeze-dried below 133 Pascal for approximately 24 hours. The dry matter was passed through a 0.85 mm-mesh and mixed uniformly with a mixer. The samples were prepared as two pooled powders, progeny milk powder and control milk powder.

Meat derived from three progeny and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently. Each sample was obtained as retail cuts such in *shoulder*, *loin* and *round* of the carcasses. The retail cuts were stored at -18°C until use for the investigations. To prepare meat powder, excess fat was removed from the subcutis and intermuscle, and each meat sample was minced and freeze-dried below 133 Pascal for approximately 24 hours. The dry matter was passed through a 4 mm-mesh and mixed uniformly with a mixer. The samples were prepared as two pooled powders, progeny meat powder and control meat powder. They were stored at -25°C until use.

Preparation of test diets supplemented with milk/meat powder

Before supplementing the test diet with milk/meat powders, the nutritional values of each pooled powder were analyzed as described in previous reports^{15,45}. The analyzed items included general components (crude protein, crude fat, carbohydrates, crude fiber,

ash content and water content), vitamins (A, B₁, B₂, B₆, B₁₂, D₃, E, K₂, niacin, pantothenic acid, folic acid, biotin and choline) and minerals (Ca, P, K, Na, Mg, Fe, Zn, Cu, S, Mn, I, Se and Mo).

In accordance with the results of the analyses, the diet was supplemented with each pooled powder to the levels equivalent to the basal diet^{1,2}. AIN93G-purified diet for rodents³¹ was used and mouse micronucleus test, rat feeding study and AIN93M-purified diet for rodents³¹ were carried out for a digestion test in rats.

Before the meat powder was added to the diet for the digestion test, fat in meat powder was removed, since it had high lipid content. For this, meat powder was processed in hot water for 10 minutes. The fat floating on the surface of the hot water was removed and prepared as freeze-dried powder. These powders were used as alternative protein and lipid sources for the test diet.

The percentage of milk/meat supplementation to test diet was decided according to results of a preliminary test (4 weeks) and the previous fourteen-week feeding study of rats^{15,45}. Ten percent for milk powder and five percent for meat powder were found to be the maximum amounts of supplementation to test diets that do not affect feed intake and growth of rats. Therefore, these values were used as the higher supplementation levels of milk/meat powder for the test diets. As the lower supplementation levels of milk/meat powder for the test diets, 2% (w/w) for milk powder and 1% (w/w) for meat powder were used, namely, 1/5 of the higher supplementation levels. These were high-calorie diets owing to the 1 and 5% (w/w) meat or 2 and 10% (w/w) milk supplementation.

These test diets (meat powder diet derived from the progeny, meat powder diet derived from conventionally bred cattle, milk powder diet derived from the progeny and milk powder diet derived from conventionally bred cattle) were irradiated with γ -rays (10 kGy) and stored at -15°C until use.

Hematology and clinical biochemistry of cattle and rats

The blood collected from cattle and rats was

analyzed as shown below. The blood tests were preformed using a multi-item automatic blood analyzer ([E-4000 (for cattle) and XT-2000iV (for rats), Sysmex Corporation Kobe, Japan]) for the following: red blood cell count (RBC), hemoglobin, hematocrit, mean corpuscular volume (MCV), mean corpuscular hemoglobin (MCH), mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration (MCHC), reticulocyte count, white blood cell count (WBC), differential leucocyte count and platelet count; testing for prothrombin time and activated partial thromboplastin time was performed using a blood clot automatic measurement device (KC-10A, Amelung GmbH, Lemgo, Germany). The following clinical biochemistry tests were performed using an automatic biochemical analyzer (JCA-BM8 type Clinalyzer, JEOL Co., Ltd., Tokyo, Japan): lactate dehydrogenase (LDH), aspartate aminotransferase/glutamic oxaloacetic transaminase (AST/GOT), alanine aminotransferase/glutamic pyruvic transaminase (ALT/GPT), creatine kinase (CK), alkaline phosphatase (ALP), γ -glutamyltransferase (γ -GTP), cholinesterase (ChE), total protein, albumin, globulin, A/G ratio, total cholesterol, triglyceride, phospholipid, glucose, total bilirubin, blood urea nitrogen, creatinine, calcium and inorganic phosphorous; testing for sodium, potassium and chloride was performed using an automated electrolyte analyzer (NAKL-132, PKK-TOA Corporation, Tokyo, Japan).

Nutritional analysis of milk/meat

The general components (water content, protein, lipid, carbohydrate, ash content, calcium (only in milk) and cholesterol), amino acids (essential amino acids [isoleucine, leucine, lysine, methionine, cysteine, phenylalanine, tyrosine, threonine, tryptophan and valine] and non-essential amino acids [histidine, arginine, alanine, aspartic acid, glutamic acid, glycine, proline and serine]) and fatty acids (essential fatty acids [linoleic acid, linolenic acid and arachidonic acid and others], decanoic acid, lauric acid, myristic acid, myristoleic acid, pentadecanoic acid, palmitic acid, palmitoleic acid, heptadecanoic acid, heptadecenoic acid, stearic acid, oleic acid, arachidic acid, icosenoic

acid and icosatrienoic acid) were analyzed with milk/meat derived from the progeny and conventionally bred cattle. In milk samples, three other fatty acids (butyric acid, hexanoic acid and octanoic acid) were added. These analyses were carried out using Standard Tables of Food Composition in Japan²⁵⁾. As pretreatment of meat for the analyses, frozen meat was cut minutely and minced with a chopper. With regard to pretreatment of milk, each bulk of frozen milk, collected in the morning and at night, was thawed and mixed together at the ratio of the morning and night milk yield.

Digestion test based on protein digestion rate in milk/meat with rats

1) Animals, feeding condition and feces collection

Thirty-nine-week-old male SD rats [CrI:CD (SD)] (Charles River Japan Inc., Yokohama, Japan) weighing around 630 g, which could eat the prescribed amount of basal diet (AIN93M)³¹⁾ within seven days of pre-feeding test, reared under specific pathogen-free condition, were used for this study. Each test group consisting of five rats was fed one of the four test diets as shown above for eight days with water provided *ad libitum*. The rats were selected by stratified random sampling with their body weight. Each rat was kept in an individual stainless steel cage (260W mm \times 380D mm \times 180H mm) in an animal room with a barrier system, controlled temperature ($22 \pm 3^\circ\text{C}$)/humidity ($55 \pm 10\%$), ventilation about 10 times/hour (all fresh air) and a 12-hour light/dark cycle.

On the 4th and 7th days of the feeding period, test diets containing 0.1% carmine were fed to the rats for 24 hours. The feeding of a carmine-containing diet started at a fixed time. Food consumption was measured for 3 days. This measurement was also started on the 4th day and finished on the 7th day of the feeding period. The feces derived from diets ingested for these 3 days were collected on the basis of the red color of feces due to carmine.

2) Measurement of digestion rates of protein in milk/meat and excreted feces

The amount of nitrogen in test diet containing milk/meat and the excreted feces was measured by the

modified macro-Kjeldahl digestion¹⁴. The digestion rate was calculated with the following formula:

Digestion rate (%) = $\frac{\{(\text{total nitrogen in the consumed diet}) - (\text{total nitrogen in the excreted feces})\}}{(\text{total nitrogen in the consumed diet})} \times 100$.

Significant difference between the sample group and the control group was calculated using Mann-Whitney's test.

Detection of anaphylactic reaction in milk/meat samples by mouse abdominal wall method¹⁷

1) Animals

Five-week-old ddy mice (Japan SLC, Inc., Hamamatsu, Japan) reared under specific pathogen-free conditions were used for this study. Each test group consisting of 10 mice was housed in a polycarbonate cage (210W mm × 320D mm, 130H mm) with wood chip bedding and fed commercial pellets (Lab. MR stock, Nihon Nosan Kogyo Ltd.) with water provided *ad libitum*. They were kept at $22 \pm 3^\circ\text{C}$ and $55 \pm 10\%$ humidity in an animal room with a controlled barrier system.

Three mouse groups were assigned for detection of an anaphylactic reaction for milk samples with elicitation treatment. Another three mouse groups were also assigned for this detection without elicitation treatment. The contents of samples for the detection were milk, which was derived from the progeny of clones and conventionally bred cattle, and a positive control substance; therefore, six mouse groups were required for the detection of milk samples. The same assignments of mouse groups were also arranged for the detection of anaphylactic reaction in meat samples, which were derived from the progeny of clones and conventionally bred cattle, and a positive control substance.

2) Preparation of milk/meat samples, sensitization solution and elicitation solution

For preparation of a sample solution, 5.0 g of milk/meat powder was added to 30 ml of saline. After the mixture was treated in a food mill, the total volume was adjusted to 50 ml with saline. The supernatant of the mixture was separated by centrifugation (3,000 rpm, 4°C , 20 minutes),

filtrated under reduced pressure through #5A filter paper and sterilized with a 0.8 μm filter. After the protein concentration was adjusted to 1.3 mg/ml with saline, the filtrate was converted to emulsion by adding Freund's incomplete adjuvant (FIA) (Difco Laboratories Inc., Detroit, MI, USA) in equiponderance and used as a sensitization solution. Ten-fold diluted sensitization solution was used as the elicitation solution.

As the positive control substance, 2 mg/ml ovalbumin (OVA, Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MI, USA) solution in saline was made into an emulsion by adding FIA. The elicitation solution for the positive control was prepared by diluting the ovalbumin solution to 0.1 mg/ml with saline.

3) Sensitization and elicitation treatment

Sensitization was carried out by injecting 50 μl of sensitization solution intraperitoneally. Elicitation was performed after 14 days of sensitization. After 1% Evan's blue solution (100 μl /mouse) was injected through the tail vein, the abdominal wall was exposed under ether anesthesia. Five minutes after injection, elicitation solution (50 μl /site) was injected into the abdominal wall. The length and breadth of the dye leakage (forming a circular shape) on the abdominal wall was then measured 7 minutes after the abdominal wall injection.

4) Evaluation of anaphylactic reaction and statistical analysis

An average of the minor and major axis of leakage was taken as the diameter. Anaphylactic reaction was evaluated by the diameter. Significant difference between the sample group and the control group was calculated using Student's *t*-test.

Detection of mutagenicity in milk/meat by mouse micronucleus test²⁴

1) Animals, feeding condition and treatment

Eight-week-old ICR male mice ([Crj:CD-1 (ICR)] (Charles River Japan Inc., Yokohama, Japan) reared under specific pathogen-free conditions were used for this study. Each test group consisting of six mice was housed in a polycarbonate cage (210W mm × 320D mm, 130H mm) with wood chip bedding

and fed commercial pellets (Labo MR stock, Nosan Corporation, Kswasaki, Japan) with water provided *ad libitum*. They were kept at $22 \pm 3^\circ\text{C}$ and $55 \pm 10\%$ humidity in an animal room with a controlled barrier system.

Six mouse groups were assigned for detection of mutagenicity in milk powder diets. Each of these groups was fed the test diet for 14 days as follows: basal diet (for negative control experiment), basal diet (for positive control experiment), diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle and diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. For meat powder diets, another six mouse groups were prepared, each of which was fed the diet for 14 days as follows: basal diet (for negative control experiment), basal diet (for positive control experiment), diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle and diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. For the positive control experiment groups, 2 mg/kg body weight mitomycin C (Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd., Osaka, Japan) was injected to mice intraperitoneally 24 hours before they were sacrificed.

2) Preparation and examination of bone marrow smear

To prepare bone marrow smear, the mice were sacrificed by dislocation of the cervical vertebrae in the neck after the test diet feeding period. The femur bone was removed immediately and bone marrow cells were washed with fetal bovine serum (Nippon Biotest Laboratories Inc., Tokyo, Japan). The cells were collected by centrifugation at 1,000 rpm for 5 minutes, suspended in saline and smeared on a glass slide. After drying at room temperature, they were fixed with methanol for 5 minutes and stained using Giemsa solution.

These slides were observed through a microscope. The frequency of micronucleated cells was determined for one thousand polychromatic erythrocytes per specimen. Significant differences among the negative control group, test sample groups and positive control group were determined according to the Tables for Determining the Statistical Significance of Mutation Frequencies¹⁶⁾. Simultaneously, the ratio of polychromatic erythrocytes to total erythrocytes was also calculated and analyzed by Kruskal-Wallis's rank test.

Twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test in rats fed milk/meat powder-supplemented diets

1) Animals and their feeding conditions

Five-week-old SD rats [CrI:CD (SD)] (Charles River Japan Inc., Yokohama, Japan) reared under specific pathogen-free condition were used for this study. Each rat group, which consisted of 12 females and 12 males, was fed one of the four test diets as shown above for 12 months with water provided *ad libitum*. Each rat was kept in an individual stainless steel mesh cage (260W mm × 380D mm × 180H mm) in an animal room with a barrier system, controlled temperature ($22 \pm 3^\circ\text{C}$) and humidity ($55 \pm 10\%$), ventilation about 10 times/hour (all fresh air) and a 12-hour light/dark cycle. These rats underwent the same observations and examinations (except for reproduction and development of newborns) as we described previously^{15,45)}.

2) Observations and examinations of rats during the feeding period

The animals were observed daily for clinical signs including examination of outer appearance, behavior, feces and general state. Detailed clinical observations were also carried out monthly.

Moreover, grip strength of forelimbs and hindlimbs (using a grip strength measuring device; MK380R/FR, Muromachi Kikai Co., Ltd., Tokyo, Japan), motor activity (using an auto-measuring system; Supermex, Muromachi Kikai Co., Ltd.) and sensory/reflex function (sound response, approach response, touch response, tail pinch response, pupil

reflex to light, pinna reflex, eyelid reflex, ipsilateral flexor reflex and righting reflex) were examined in the 3rd, 6th, 9th and 12th months of the feeding period²²⁾.

To confirm normal growth, the rats were weighed at the beginning of the feeding period (on day 1 of the feeding period), every 7 days during the 52-week period and on the day of sacrifice. The 24-hour food consumption of the rats was also measured once a week. In females, these measurements were suspended during the reproduction/development test.

During the 12th month of feeding, examinations such as ophthalmology (anterior portion of the eye, chamber, optic media and ocular fundus) and urinalysis (color, pH, occult blood, protein, glucose, ketone body, bilirubin, urobilinogen, specific gravity and urine volume per 18 hours) were also performed.

3) Hematology and clinical biochemistry of rats

At the end of the feeding period, the rats were anesthetized and blood was collected from the abdominal aorta. The blood tests were performed as described above.

4) Examinations of rats after autopsy

After the rats were sacrificed by exsanguination, necropsy was performed and their organs were weighed. The weights are shown as absolute weights and relative weights (weight/100 g body weight). The organs investigated were as follows: brain, pituitary gland, thyroid gland, lung, heart, salivary glands (sublingual and submandibular), liver, spleen, kidney and adrenal gland for both sexes; testes, epididymis, prostate and seminal vesicle for males; ovary and uterus for females. Histological examinations of the brain, pituitary gland, eyeball, Harderian gland, thyroid gland, parathyroid, spinal cord, heart, thymus, liver, kidney, spleen, trachea, lung, adrenal gland, salivary gland, tongue, esophagus, stomach, small intestine, large intestine, pancreas, urinary bladder, testis, epididymis, prostate, seminal vesicle, ovary, uterus, vagina, aorta, sciatic nerve, lymph nodes, bone, bone marrow, skeletal muscle, mammary gland and skin were also conducted.

5) Reproduction of dams and observation of their pups

The estrous cycles were examined by vaginal

smear for 14 days comprising the 16th to 17th weeks of feeding in the female groups fed meat powder diets and the 11th to 12th weeks of feeding in the female groups fed milk powder diets. The females were mated with the same number of males for up to three weeks. After conceiving, the following items were examined in the dams: estrous cycle, copulation index, fertility index, gestation length and gestation index.

During the period from birth until weaning at 21 days, the following indices were examined in the pups: litter size, live birth index, sex ratio, body weight, viability index, lactation index, hair growth, pinna detachment, incisor eruption, eyelid opening, testicular descent, sensory response, reflex function tests, external abnormalities and visceral malformations.

6) Statistical analyses

For rats fed milk/meat powder diets derived from the progeny and conventionally bred cattle, statistical analyses of the origin of powders (the progeny and conventionally bred cattle) were carried out as follows. The F-test was conducted for parametric data (body weight, body weight gain, food intake, grip strength, mortar activity, estrous cycle, hematological data, clinical biochemistry and organ weight), Student's *t*-test was conducted for equal distribution data, Aspin-Welch's *t*-test was conducted for unequal distribution data, Mann-Whitney's U-test was conducted for non-parametric data (urine analyses) and Fisher's exact probability test (one-sided test)⁸⁾ or χ^2 test for categorical data (clinical signs, autopsy and pathological examinations). The significance level was set to 5% in all analyses.

Animal welfare and other guidelines

Animal experimentation was carried out under approval of committee concerning animal care and ethics at RIAS. The study was also performed in accordance with procedures based on Good Laboratory Practice (GLP), the Combined Repeated Dose Toxicity Study with Reproduction/Developmental Toxicity Screening Test of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)²⁹⁾ and the Guidelines for Designation of Food Additives and

for Revision of Standards for Use of Food Additives (Recommended Methods for One-year Toxicity Studies) of the government of Japan²⁶⁾.

RESULTS

Blood properties in heifer produced meat

(Hematology: Table 2, Clinical biochemistry:

Tables 3-1, 3-2)

In four female progeny of somatic cell cloned cows (*T1*, *T2*, *T3* and *T4*) and three conventionally bred heifers (*B82*, *B89* and *B90*), platelet counts in *T1*, *T2* and *T4*, LDH in *T4* and Cl in *B90* were found to be higher than the reference ranges. Na and K in *B90* were within the reference ranges. Although occasionally high values were observed in leucocyte counts in *T1* and *T4*, AST in *T3* and ALP/ γ -GTP in *T4*,

their means were within the reference ranges. In the other parameters observed, almost all of the values were within the reference ranges. No remarkable abnormalities suggesting poor health status of the progeny were observed in the blood parameters investigated.

Nutritional analysis of milk/meat

1) General components

A) Milk (Fig. 1, Table 4)

Although protein and carbohydrate contents of milk derived from the progeny were found to be higher when compared with those of conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences in all components including water content, ash content, cholesterol and calcium due to the origin of milk were observed.

B) Meat (Fig. 2, Table 5)

The general components of meat differed

Table 2. Hematology parameters in progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle produced meat

Heifer ^{**}	Individual identification code	RBC (10 ⁴ / μ l)	Hemoglobin (g/dl)	Hematocrit (%)	MCV (fl)	MCH (pg)	MCHC (%)	Platelet (10 ⁴ / μ l)	PT (sec)	APTT (sec)
Progeny of cloned cattle	T1	806	15.4	42.5	53	19.1	36.1	45	14.8	69.4
	T2	755	12.5	36.0	48	16.5	34.7	52	13.6	69.6
	T3	775	14.3	41.5	54	18.5	34.6	36	14.4	66.9
	T4	701	13.1	38.2	55	18.6	34.2	49	14.3	67.7
Conventionally bred cattle	B82	643	11.6	33.0	52	18.1	35.2	33	13.2	86.3
	B89	763	13.5	37.9	50	17.7	35.7	22	13.6	82.9
	B90	647	10.7	30.4	47	16.5	35.2	21	13.2	91.8
	Reference range ^{**}	543- 971	10.5- 15.6	31.5- 44.8	41- 60	14.1- 20.7	31.3- 37.1	15- 40	12.6- 14.7	33.1- 107.5
Heifer ^{**}	Individual identification code	WBC (10 ² / μ l)	Differential leukocyte counts (%)							
			Basophil	Eosinphil	Neutrophil		Lymphocyte	Monocyte		
					Band	Segmented				
Progeny of cloned cattle	T1	104	0	10	0	55	32	3		
	T2	65	1	8	0	26	62	2		
	T3	89	0	4	1	49	43	3		
	T4	140	1	8	4	47	38	3		
Conventionally bred cattle	B82	84	1	12	1	43	41	5		
	B89	84	0	6	1	32	59	3		
	B90	72	0	6	1	20	72	3		
	Reference range ^{**}	50- 112	0- 1	0- 16	0- 2	19- 63	30- 69	0- 7		

Abbreviations : RBC, Red blood cell; MCV, Mean corpuscular volume; MCH, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin; MCHC, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration; PT, Prothrombin time; APTT, Activated partial thromboplastin time; WBC, White blood cell

*: Heifers of fattened Japanese Black beef cattle.

** : Reference ranges were calculated from background data obtained from 35 heifers of Japanese Black beef cattle.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 3-1. Clinical chemistry parameters in progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle produced meat

Heifer ^{**}	Individual identification code	LDH (IU/l)	LDH-1 (%)	LDH-2 (%)	LDH-3 (%)	LDH-4 (%)	LDH-5 (%)	AST (IU/l)	ALT (IU/l)	ALP (IU/l)	γ -GTP (IU/l)	Creatine kinase (IU/l)
Progeny of cloned cattle	T1	5512	55.1	28.5	12.5	2.3	1.6	72	15	160	45	154
	T2	5070	51.9	27.7	16.0	3.3	1.1	61	18	180	50	131
	T3	6188	50.4	30.1	15.0	3.1	1.5	108	20	211	68	125
	T4	7471	48.6	29.5	16.8	3.7	1.4	79	18	269	91	119
Conventionally bred cattle	B82	4918	52.5	31.2	12.9	2.0	1.5	69	33	240	40	263
	B89	4893	50.3	30.0	15.4	2.9	1.5	67	26	155	18	470
	B90	3999	51.8	30.8	13.9	2.4	1.3	72	35	155	32	369
	Reference range ^{***}	3042-6273	40.1-57.7	25.4-34.4	11.3-20.2	1.4-5.5	0.4-3.7	23-130	15-37	48-283	0-101	0-791
Heifer ^{**}	Individual identification code	Choline esterase (IU/l)	Triglyceride (mg/dl)	Total cholesterol (mg/dl)	Phospholipid (mg/dl)	Total protein (g/dl)	Albumin (%)	α -Globulin (%)	β -Globulin (%)	γ -Globulin (%)	A/G ratio	
Progeny of cloned cattle	T1	27	14	126	133	7.38	43.7	14.2	11.6	30.5	0.78	
	T2	29	16	83	91	6.55	49.1	14.1	12.3	24.5	0.97	
	T3	27	23	100	109	6.90	45.4	14.1	13.4	27.1	0.85	
	T4	32	23	99	110	7.11	40.0	14.7	13.8	31.4	0.67	
Conventionally bred cattle	B82	39	25	116	130	7.41	38.7	13.1	12.7	35.5	0.64	
	B89	38	32	112	122	7.16	35.8	14.9	12.9	36.5	0.56	
	B90	39	25	121	137	6.97	39.8	14.8	12.4	33.0	0.66	
	Reference range ^{***}	27-51	9-34	56-205	68-216	6.56-7.85	35.5-48.9	11.2-18.5	10.6-14.7	23.6-37.1	0.54-0.94	

Abbreviations : LDH, Lactate dehydrogenase; AST, Aspartate aminotransferase; ALT, Alanine aminotransferase; ALP, Alkaline phosphatase
 γ -GTP, γ -Glutamyltranspeptidase; A/G, Albumin/globulin ratio

^{**}: Heifers of fattened Japanese Black beef cattle.

^{***}: Reference ranges were calculated from background data obtained from 35 heifers of Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 3-2. Clinical chemistry parameters in progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle produced meat (continued)

Heifer ^{**}	Individual identification code	BUN (mg/dl)	Uric acid (mg/dl)	Glucose (mg/dl)	Creatinine (mg/dl)	Total bilirubin (mg/dl)	Calcium (mg/dl)	Inorganic phosphorus (mg/dl)	Na (mEq/l)	K (mEq/l)	Cl (mEq/l)
Progeny of cloned cattle	T1	18.2	0.67	70	1.67	0.28	9.1	6.8	147	4.62	102
	T2	16.5	0.57	67	1.58	0.28	9.2	6.6	146	4.53	105
	T3	16.9	0.60	68	1.69	0.28	9.2	6.7	146	4.55	103
	T4	16.8	0.65	69	1.51	0.28	9.0	7.1	145	4.66	103
Conventionally bred cattle	B82	17.0	0.75	64	1.56	0.27	8.7	6.9	147	4.86	104
	B89	20.9	0.88	68	1.71	0.26	8.5	7.8	147	4.79	104
	B90	17.3	0.52	60	1.57	0.25	8.4	7.2	148	4.58	108
	Reference range ^{***}	10.5-24.9	0.26-1.07	52-78	1.22-1.93	0.18-0.32	8.2-9.7	5.6-7.8	144-150	3.90-5.10	100-106

Abbreviations : BUN, Blood urea nitrogen; Na, Sodium; K, Potassium; Cl, Chlorine

^{**}: Heifers of fattened Japanese Black beef cattle.

^{***}: Reference ranges were calculated from background data obtained from 35 heifers of Japanese Black beef cattle.

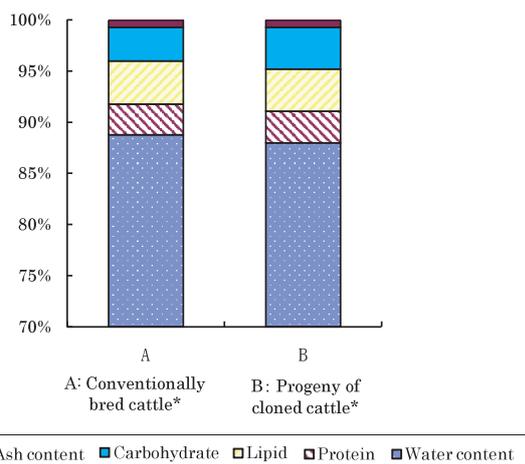


Fig. 1. Macronutrients of milk derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle
*: Holstein dairy cattle
Columns represents the mean from six samples (two samples each in three cattle)

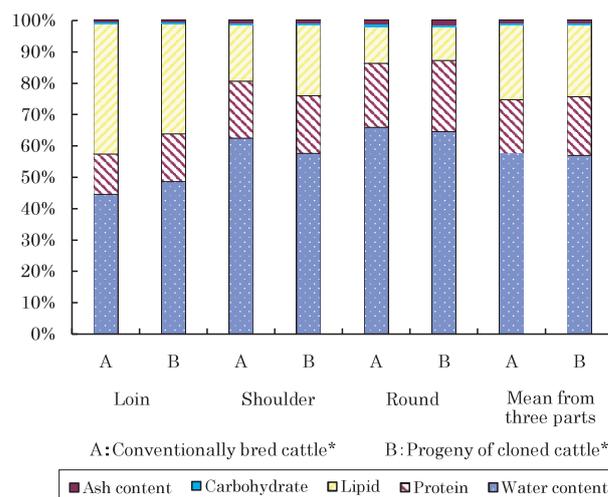


Fig. 2. Macronutrients of meat derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle
*: Japanese Black beef cattle
Columns represents the mean from three carcasses

Table 4. General components of milk derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Sample	Individual identification code		Water content		Protein		Lipid		Carbohydrate		Ash content		Calcium	Cholesterol
			g/100g		g/100g		g/100g		g/100g		g/100g		mg/100g	mg/100g
Conventionally bred cattle*	No.145	I	90.3	(87.7)	2.8	(3.2)	4.0	(3.7)	2.2	(4.7)	0.7	(0.7)	116	8
		II	89.3		2.9		4.1		3.0		0.7		117	9
	No.152	I	87.8		2.7		3.8		5.0		0.7		99	9
		II	87.6		3.1		4.4		4.2		0.7		109	9
	No.153	I	89.0		3.1		3.6		3.6		0.7		110	9
		II	88.4		3.4		5.5		2.0		0.7		118	8
Average		88.7		3.0		4.2		3.3		0.7		112	9	
Progeny of cloned cattle*	No.148	I	88.1	(87.7)	3.3	(3.2)	4.0	(3.7)	3.9	(4.7)	0.7	(0.7)	104	7
		II	88.1		3.3		3.7		4.2		0.7		110	7
	No.151	I	89.5		3.0		3.4		3.4		0.7		104	7
		II	88.2		3.0		4.1		4.0		0.7		115	8
	No.154	I	86.9		3.0		4.6		4.8		0.7		99	9
		II	87.2		3.2		4.6		4.3		0.7		108	8
Average		88.0		3.1		4.1		4.1		0.7		107	8	

*: Holstein dairy cattle

() : Standard value of milk composition of Holstein, quoted from " Standard Tables of Food Composition in Japan, (2005)²⁵⁾"

I : On 3 weeks after parturition

II : On 6 weeks after parturition

depending on the part of the carcass. Among *shoulder*, *loin* and *round*, the protein and water contents were lower in *loin* and higher in *round*. *Shoulder* showed intermediate levels. The micronutrients including carbohydrate, ash content and cholesterol in the meat were similar in the progeny and conventionally bred cattle.

2) Amino acid composition

A) Milk (Fig. 3, Table 6)

Glutamic acid was the most common amino acid

in milk. The other major components in milk were proline, leucine, lysine and aspartic acid. Very small individual variances were observed in amino acid composition. No significant differences in amino acid composition due to the origin of milk were observed.

B) Meat (Fig. 4, Table 7-1, 7-2)

As was the case for milk, glutamic acid was the most common amino acid in meat. The other major components were lysine, aspartic acid, leucine and arginine. The amino acid constitutions of meat were

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Table 5. General components of meat derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Sample	Region	Individual identification code	Water content	Protein		Lipid		Carbohydrate		Ash content		Cholesterol
			g/100g									
Conventionally bred cattle*	Shoulder	T1	63.6 (66.3)	18.0 (20.2)	17.4 (12.2)	0.4 (0.3)	0.9 (1.0)	66 (66)				
		T2	63.0	17.7	17.8	0.5	1.0	69				
		T4	61.8	18.5	18.9	0.4	1.0	69				
	Loin	T1	38.5 (55.9)	10.6 (17.1)	50.5 (25.8)	0.3 (0.4)	0.5 (0.8)	74 (72)				
		T2	49.9	14.4	35.3	0.3	0.7	71				
		T4	45.9	13.5	39.4	0.5	0.7	68				
	Round	T1	68.7 (67.0)	20.9 (20.7)	8.9 (10.7)	0.6 (0.6)	1.1 (1.0)	65 (68)				
		T2	66.8	20.1	11.3	0.8	1.3	62				
		T4	64.6	20.4	14.7	0.6	1.2	76				
	Average	T1	56.9 (63.1)	16.5 (19.3)	25.6 (16.2)	0.4 (0.4)	0.8 (0.9)	68 (69)				
		T2	59.9	17.4	21.5	0.5	1.0	67				
		T4	57.4	17.5	24.3	0.5	1.0	71				
Progeny of cloned cattle*	Shoulder	B82	59.8 (66.3)	19.9 (20.2)	18.4 (12.2)	0.3 (0.3)	1.0 (1.0)	74 (66)				
		B89	52.2	16.0	29.6	0.4	0.9	74				
		B90	60.4	19.0	20.0	0.3	1.1	72				
	Loin	B82	44.8 (55.9)	13.4 (17.1)	39.9 (25.8)	0.3 (0.4)	0.6 (0.8)	82 (72)				
		B89	46.0	14.0	39.6	0.4	0.7	69				
		B90	55.1	18.2	25.7	0.4	0.9	66				
	Round	B82	66.6 (67.0)	23.8 (20.7)	9.3 (10.7)	0.5 (0.6)	1.5 (1.0)	72 (68)				
		B89	63.9	21.5	14.0	0.7	1.5	70				
		B90	67.1	22.6	9.2	0.5	1.2	62				
	Average	B82	57.1 (63.1)	19.0 (19.3)	22.5 (16.2)	0.4 (0.4)	1.0 (0.9)	76 (69)				
		B89	54.0	17.2	27.7	0.5	1.0	71				
		B90	60.9	19.9	18.3	0.4	1.1	67				

*: Japanese Black beef cattle

() : Standard value of meat composition of Holstein, quoted from " Standard Tables of Food Composition in Japan, (2005)²⁵⁾"

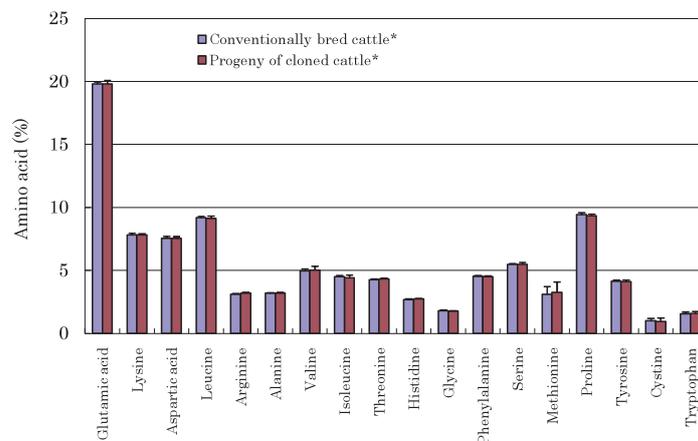


Fig. 3. Amino acid composition of milk derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

*: Holstein dairy cattle

Columns represents the mean±standard deviation from six samples (two samples each in three cattle)

Table 6. Amino acid composition of milk derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

(Upper: Amino acid composition (mg) per sample 100g; Sublevel:Amino acid composition (mg) per total nitrogen 1g;
Under: Amino acid composition (mg) per protein 1g)

Sample	Individual identification code	Region	Protein (g/100g)	Isoleucine	Leucine	Lysine	Methionine	Cystine	Total	Sulphur Amino Acid			Aromatic Amino Acid			Threonine	Tryptophan	Valine	Histidine	Arginine	Alanine	Aspartic acid	Glutamic acid	Glycine	Proline	Serine	
Conventionally bred cattle*	No.145	I	2.8	130	260	220	74	21	95	130	120	250	120	36	140	75	88	90	210	560	53	260	150				
			290	580	500	170	48	218	290	270	560	280	82	310	170	200	200	480	1,300	120	600	350					
			45	92	78	26	7.6	33.6	46	42	88	43	13	49	26	31	32	76	200	19	93	54					
		II	2.9	110	230	200	76	31	107	120	110	230	110	38	120	64	80	79	190	500	47	240	140				
			240	510	440	170	69	239	260	240	500	240	84	260	140	180	180	430	1,100	100	530	310					
			38	80	69	26	11	37	40	37	77	38	13	41	22	28	28	67	180	16	83	48					
	No.152	I	2.7	100	210	180	52	19	71	100	95	195	100	34	120	61	70	73	170	450	42	220	120				
			240	490	430	120	45	165	240	220	460	220	78	270	140	160	170	400	1,000	98	510	290					
			38	76	64	19	7.1	26.1	38	35	73	35	12	42	22	26	27	62	160	16	81	44					
		II	3.1	92	180	150	83	23	106	90	81	171	85	34	100	54	62	63	150	400	36	190	110				
			190	370	310	170	48	218	190	170	360	170	70	210	110	130	130	300	820	73	380	230					
			30	58	49	27	7.5	34.5	29	26	55	27	11	33	17	20	20	47	130	12	61	35					
No.153	I	3.1	110	210	180	70	27	97	100	100	200	100	41	120	63	72	74	170	450	40	210	130					
		220	440	370	150	57	207	220	200	420	210	86	250	130	150	150	360	940	84	450	260						
		35	69	60	23	8.9	31.9	34	31	65	32	13	39	21	24	24	57	150	13	68	42						
	II	3.4	120	260	220	95	25	120	120	110	230	120	41	130	73	83	87	210	540	48	260	150					
		230	490	410	180	48	228	230	210	440	220	77	250	140	160	160	400	1,000	91	490	280						
		35	76	64	28	7.5	35.5	36	33	69	34	12	39	22	25	26	62	160	14	76	44						
Progeny of cloned cattle*	No.148	I	3.3	100	230	200	95	27	122	120	110	230	110	40	110	71	81	83	200	510	47	240	140				
			190	450	380	180	52	232	220	200	420	210	77	220	140	160	160	380	980	89	470	270					
			30	70	59	28	8.1	36.1	35	31	66	33	12	34	21	24	25	60	150	14	73	42					
		II	3.3	140	290	240	81	21	102	140	130	270	130	44	160	83	96	99	230	610	54	290	170				
			260	550	460	160	41	201	270	240	510	250	84	300	160	180	190	440	1,200	100	550	320					
			41	86	72	24	6.4	30.4	42	38	80	40	13	47	25	29	30	70	180	16	86	50					
	No.151	I	3.0	120	230	210	66	23	89	120	110	230	120	39	130	71	84	83	200	520	47	250	150				
			250	500	440	140	50	190	250	230	480	250	84	280	150	180	180	420	1,100	100	530	320					
			39	79	69	22	7.8	29.8	39	36	75	39	13	45	24	28	28	66	170	16	82	50					
		II	3.0	110	220	190	85	21	106	110	100	210	110	40	130	67	80	76	180	490	42	220	140				
			230	470	400	180	45	225	230	210	440	220	84	270	140	170	160	380	1,000	89	470	290					
			36	73	63	28	7.0	35.0	36	33	69	35	13	42	22	26	25	60	160	14	74	45					
No.154	I	3.0	85	170	150	91	29	120	87	77	164	82	38	100	54	60	61	140	380	34	180	100					
		180	370	320	190	62	252	180	160	340	170	80	210	120	130	130	310	800	72	390	220						
		28	58	50	30	9.6	39.6	29	26	55	27	12	32	18	20	20	48	130	11	61	35						
	II	3.2	140	280	240	79	21	100	140	130	270	130	42	160	84	97	98	230	600	53	280	160					
		280	570	480	160	43	203	280	260	540	260	85	320	170	200	200	460	1,200	110	570	330						
		44	89	76	25	6.7	31.7	44	41	85	41	13	51	27	31	31	73	190	17	89	51						

*: Holstein dairy cows
I : On 3 weeks after parturition
II : On 6 weeks after parturition

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

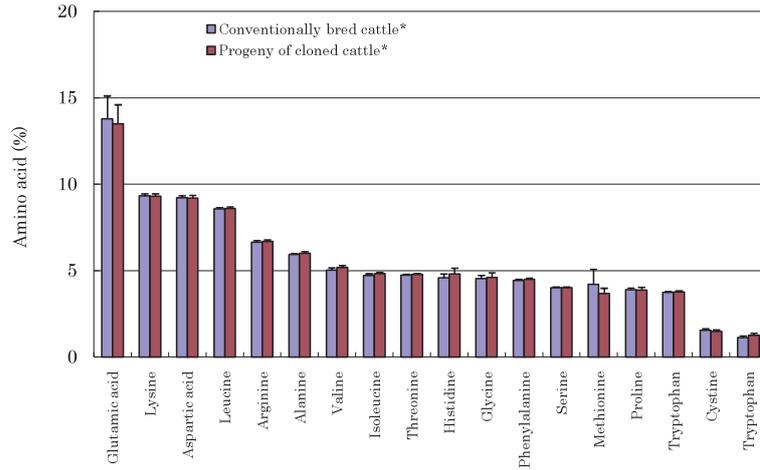


Fig. 4. Amino acid composition of meat derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle
 *: Japanese Black beef cattle
 Columns represents the mean±standard deviation from nine samples (three parts each in three carcasses)

Table 7-1. Amino acid composition of meat derived from conventionally bred cattle*

(Upper: Amino acid composition (mg) per sample 100g; Sublevel: Amino acid composition (mg) per total nitrogen 1g;
 Under: Amino acid composition (mg) per protein 1g)

Individual identification code	Region	Protein (g/100g)	Isoleucine	Leucine	Lysine	Sulphur Amino Acid			Aromatic Amino Acid			Threonine	Tryptophan	Valine	Histidine	Arginine	Alanine	Aspartic acid	Glutamic acid	Glycine	Proline	Serine
						Methionine	Cystine	Total	Phenylalanine	Tyrosine	Total											
T1	Shoulder	18.0	810	1,500	1,600	660	260	920	760	640	1,400	820	210	870	770	1,200	1,000	1,600	2,400	830	700	690
		280	510	560	230	92	322	260	220	480	280	74	300	270	400	360	560	850	290	240	240	
	45	82	90	37	15	52	42	36	78	45	12	48	43	64	58	89	140	46	39	39		
	Loin	10.6	450	840	920	630	170	800	440	370	810	470	97	480	490	650	580	880	1,200	440	390	400
		260	500	540	370	98	468	260	220	480	280	57	290	290	380	340	520	680	260	230	240	
	42	80	87	59	16	75	41	35	76	44	9.1	46	46	61	54	83	110	42	37	38		
Round	20.9	950	1,800	1,900	760	310	1,070	900	760	1,660	970	220	1,000	900	1,300	1,200	1,900	3,100	870	770	820	
	280	520	570	230	93	323	270	230	500	290	66	300	270	400	360	580	930	260	230	240		
45	84	91	36	15	51	43	36	79	47	11	48	43	64	58	92	150	42	37	39			
T2	Shoulder	17.7	840	1,500	1,700	700	270	970	780	660	1,440	840	210	900	780	1,200	1,000	1,600	2,500	800	680	700
		300	540	590	250	95	345	280	230	510	300	75	320	280	420	370	580	890	280	240	250	
	48	86	94	39	15	54	44	37	81	47	12	51	44	67	59	92	140	45	38	40		
	Loin	14.4	660	1,200	1,300	590	230	820	620	520	1,140	660	150	710	670	930	810	1,200	1,600	630	540	550
		290	510	560	260	98	358	270	220	490	290	63	310	290	400	350	540	710	270	230	240	
	46	82	90	41	16	57	43	36	79	46	10	50	47	64	56	86	110	44	37	38		
Round	20.1	960	1,700	1,900	740	290	1,030	900	750	1,650	960	240	1,000	910	1,300	1,200	1,900	3,000	960	800	810	
	300	540	580	230	90	320	280	230	510	300	75	310	280	420	380	590	950	300	250	250		
47	86	93	37	14	51	45	37	82	48	12	50	45	67	61	95	150	48	40	40			
T4	Shoulder	18.5	850	1,500	1,600	740	280	1,020	780	660	1,440	840	200	900	770	1,200	1,100	1,600	2,600	840	700	700
		290	510	560	250	94	344	260	220	480	280	67	300	260	400	360	550	870	290	240	240	
	46	82	89	40	15	55	42	35	77	45	11	49	42	64	58	89	140	46	38	38		
	Loin	13.5	630	1,100	1,200	570	210	780	580	500	1,080	630	130	670	610	880	770	1,200	1,600	580	500	530
		290	520	570	270	97	367	270	230	500	290	58	310	280	410	360	550	760	270	230	240	
	47	84	91	42	15	57	43	37	80	46	9.3	50	45	65	57	88	120	43	37	39		
Round	20.4	970	1,700	1,900	740	290	1,030	910	760	1,670	970	250	1,000	950	1,300	1,200	1,900	3,000	890	750	800	
	300	530	580	230	89	319	280	230	510	300	76	310	290	410	370	580	930	270	230	250		
48	85	92	36	14	50	45	37	82	47	12	50	46	65	59	93	150	44	37	39			

*: Japanese Black beef cattle

Table 7-2. Amino acid composition of meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle* (continued)

(Upper: Amino acid composition (mg) per sample 100g; Sublevel:Amino acid composition (mg) per total nitrogen 1g;
Under: Amino acid composition(mg) per protein 1g)

Individual identification code	Region	Protein (g/100g)	Isoleucine	Leucine	Lysine	Methionine	Cystine	Total	Sulphur Amino Acid			Aromatic Amino Acid			Threonine	Tryptophan	Valine	Histidine	Arginine	Alanine	Aspartic acid	Glutamic acid	Glycine	Proline	Serine	
B82	Shoulder	19.9	890	1,600	1,700	620	260	880	830	690	1,520	890	240	970	830	1,300	1,200	1,700	2,600	990	790	760				
			280	510	540	200	82	282	260	220	480	280	75	300	260	400	370	550	830	310	250	240				
			45	81	87	31	13	44	42	35	77	45	12	48	42	65	59	87	130	50	40	38				
	Loin	13.4	640	1,100	1,200	480	190	670	590	490	1,080	620	140	700	660	880	790	1,200	1,500	630	500	530				
			300	520	570	220	88	308	270	230	500	290	64	320	310	410	370	550	690	290	230	240				
			47	84	91	36	14	50	44	36	80	46	10	52	49	65	59	87	110	47	37	39				
	Round	23.8	1,100	2,000	2,200	860	350	1,210	1,000	880	1,880	1,100	330	1,200	1,100	1,600	1,400	2,200	3,500	1,100	890	930				
			300	530	570	220	93	313	270	230	500	290	88	320	280	410	370	580	910	280	230	240				
			48	84	91	36	15	51	44	37	81	47	14	50	44	65	59	93	150	44	37	39				
B89	Shoulder	16.0	740	1,300	1,400	610	240	850	680	580	1,260	740	190	800	700	1,000	920	1,400	2,000	690	580	620				
			290	520	560	240	94	334	270	230	500	290	74	310	270	410	360	560	780	270	230	240				
			47	83	90	38	15	53	43	36	79	46	12	50	44	65	57	89	130	43	36	39				
	Loin	14.0	630	1,100	1,200	560	200	760	590	490	1,080	630	150	670	660	880	780	1,200	1,700	610	510	530				
			280	500	540	250	89	339	260	220	480	280	66	300	300	390	350	520	770	270	230	240				
			45	80	87	40	14	54	42	35	77	45	11	48	47	63	56	84	120	43	36	38				
	Round	21.5	1,000	1,800	2,000	750	310	1,060	960	800	1,760	1,000	260	1,100	1,000	1,400	1,300	2,000	3,000	950	810	840				
			300	540	580	220	89	309	280	230	510	300	77	330	290	420	370	580	880	280	240	240				
			49	86	82	35	14	49	45	37	82	48	12	52	47	67	59	93	140	44	38	39				
B90	Shoulder	19.0	900	1,600	1,700	660	280	940	840	690	1,530	880	250	960	880	1,200	1,100	1,700	2,600	820	700	740				
			300	530	570	220	93	313	280	230	510	290	83	320	290	410	370	570	840	270	230	240				
			47	85	92	35	15	49	44	37	81	47	13	51	46	65	59	91	130	43	37	39				
	Loin	18.2	790	1,400	1,500	620	260	880	760	650	1,410	790	230	850	900	1,100	970	1,500	2,100	740	670	670				
			270	480	530	210	91	301	260	220	480	270	77	290	310	380	330	510	700	250	230	230				
			43	77	84	34	14	48	41	35	76	44	12	46	49	60	53	81	110	41	37	37				
	Round	22.6	1,100	2,000	2,100	770	310	1,080	1,000	850	1,850	1,100	300	1,200	1,100	1,500	1,400	2,100	3,500	1,000	850	910				
			300	540	580	210	86	296	280	230	510	300	83	320	290	420	380	590	950	280	230	250				
			49	86	92	34	14	48	45	38	83	48	13	51	47	67	60	95	150	44	37	40				

*: Japanese Black beef cattle

different from those of milk; proline was not a major component. Small variances in amino acid constitution were observed in individuals and among meat regions. No significant differences in amino acid composition due to the origin of meat were observed.

3) Fatty acid composition

A) Milk (Fig. 5, Table 8)

Palmitic acid and oleic acid were major components of milk. It was also rich in myristic acid and stearic acid. Individual differences were observed in the fatty acid composition of milk. The individual differences in fatty acid composition were larger than those in amino acid composition. The proportions of fatty acids in milk were similar between the progeny and conventionally bred cattle.

B) Meat (Fig. 6, Tables 9-1, 9-2)

The contents of palmitic acid and oleic acid were higher than those of other components. Although individual and regional differences were observed in fatty acid content, the proportions of fatty acids in meat were similar between the progeny and conventionally bred cattle.

4) Nutritional analysis of freeze-dried milk/meat powder (Tables 10, 11)

For the freeze-dried milk/meat powder that was prepared for test diets, no differences in vitamin and ash contents due to the origin of meat were found.

5) Conclusions

No differences in milk/meat compositions due to the origin of milk/meat were observed.

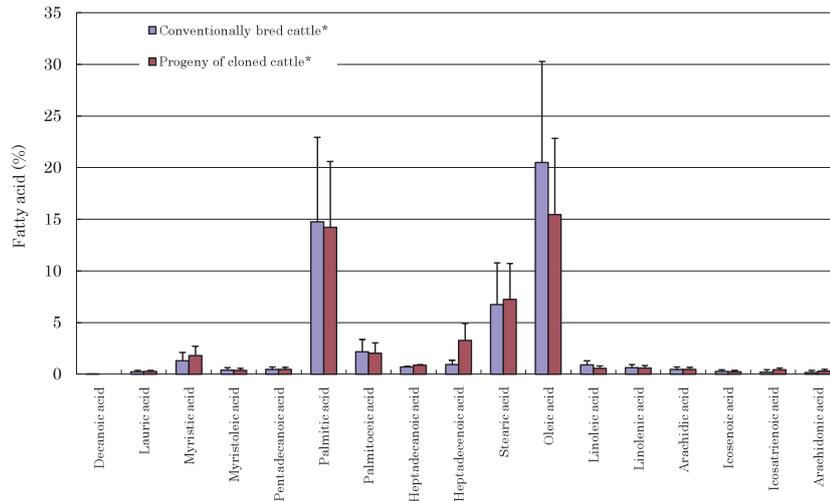


Fig. 6. Fatty acid composition of meat derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle
*: Japanese Black beef cattle
Columns represents the mean±standard deviation from nine samples (three parts each in three carcasses)

Digestion test based on protein digestion rate in milk/meat with rats (Table 12)

The digestion rates of milk were 88.8% for that of conventionally bred cattle and 86.8% for that of the progeny. With regard to meat, the rates were 90.3% for that of conventionally bred cattle and 89.5% for that of the progeny. No significant differences in digestibility due to the origin of milk/meat were found.

Detection of anaphylactic reaction in milk/meat samples by mouse abdominal wall method¹⁷⁾

1) Milk (Table 13)

A) Positive control substance

The diameter of the dye leakage spot for ovalbumin as a positive control substance (10.0 mm) was significantly larger than that of the negative control (3.6 mm). The result showed that the present detection system could detect the anaphylactic reactions of the protein antigen.

B) Milk powder

For milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, the diameters of dye leakage spots for negative control and test dosages were 3.7 and 8.9 mm, respectively. For milk powder derived from the progeny, the diameters of dye leakage spots for negative control and test dosages were 4.0 and 8.5 mm, respectively. Significant differences in anaphylactic reactions were observed between test

dosages and negative controls; however, no significant differences in anaphylactic reactions due to the origin of milk powder were observed.

2) Meat (Table 14)

A) Positive control substance

As in the detection with milk, ovalbumin was used as the positive control substance. Positive detections with ovalbumin also showed that the present detection system could detect the anaphylactic reactions of the protein antigen.

B) Meat powder

For meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle and the progeny, the diameters of dye leakage spots in the test dosage were 8.8 mm and 10.8 mm, respectively. For the negative control of conventionally bred cattle and progeny, spot diameters were 3.3 mm and 3.5 mm, respectively. Significant differences in anaphylactic reactions were observed between test dosages and negative controls; however, no significant differences in anaphylactic reactions due to the origin of meat powder were observed.

3) Conclusions

To detect anaphylactic reactions to milk/meat derived from the progeny, the mouse abdominal wall method was applied by injecting the test dosage intraperitoneally. In the present investigation, no significant differences in anaphylactic reactions due to the origin of milk/meat were found.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 9-1. Fatty acid composition of meat derived from conventionally bred cattle*

(Upper: Fatty acid (mg) in sample 100g; Under: Fatty acid (g) per fatty acid gross 100g)

Individual identification code	Region	Lipid quantity (g/100g)	Fatty acid composition(%)																			
			10:0	12:0	14:0	14:1	15:0	16:0	16:1	17:0	17:1	18:0	18:1	18:2	18:3	20:0	20:1	20:3	20:4			
			Saturated	Unsaturated	Decanoic acid	Lauric acid	Myristic acid	Myristoleic acid	Pentadecanoic acid	Palmitic acid	Palmitoleic acid	Heptadecanoic acid	Heptadecenoic acid	Stearic acid	Oleic acid	Linoleic acid	Linolenic acid	Arachidic acid	Icosenoic acid	Icosatrienoic acid	Arachidonic acid	
T1	Shoulder	17.4	41.9	58.1			343	212	61	4144	695	317	251	1655	7430	388	36	5	22			
					0.0	0.0	2.2	1.4	0.4	26.6	4.5	2.0	1.6	10.6	47.8	2.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	
	Loin	50.5	45.3	54.7			11	1045	649	134	11460	1983	655	568	4551	17250	887	77	26	143		
					0.0	0.0	2.6	1.6	0.3	29.1	5.0	1.7	1.4	11.5	43.7	2.2	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	
	Round	8.9	43.2	56.8			151	109	22	2046	332	116	105	790	3344	184	13	3	20		2	
					0.0	0.0	2.1	1.5	0.3	28.3	4.6	1.6	1.5	10.9	46.2	2.5	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	
T2	Shoulder	17.8	42.5	57.5			346	215	60	4831	695	349	246	1959	8591	391	41	5	51			
					0.0	0.0	1.9	1.2	0.3	27.2	3.9	2.0	1.4	11.0	48.3	2.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	
	Loin	35.3	52.5	47.5			9	681	336	117	6830	897	396	394	3462	8233	460	25	21	87	3	2
					0.0	0.0	3.1	1.5	0.5	31.1	4.1	1.8	1.8	15.8	37.5	2.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	
	Round	11.3	56.7	43.3			2	178	98	33	2434	231	143	104	1259	2487	133	7	8	32	1	1
					0.0	0.0	2.5	1.4	0.5	34.0	3.2	2.0	1.5	17.6	34.8	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	
T4	Shoulder	18.9	37.1	62.9			362	250	39	4203	985	186	225	1412	8610	403	41		22			
					0.0	0.0	2.2	1.5	0.2	25.1	5.9	1.1	1.3	8.4	51.4	2.4	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	
	Loin	39.4	55.7	44.3			8	708	351	113	7957	819	447	367	3916	8342	431	23	30	129	3	1
					0.0	0.0	3.0	1.5	0.5	33.7	3.5	1.9	1.6	16.6	35.3	1.8	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	
	Round	14.7	53.4	46.6			3	249	152	49	3070	374	237	173	1520	3528	212	9	9	30	1	1
					0.0	0.0	2.6	1.6	0.5	31.9	3.9	2.5	1.8	15.8	36.7	2.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	

*: Japanese Black beef cattle

Table 9-2. Fatty acid composition of meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle* (continued)

(Upper: Fatty acid (mg) in sample 100g; Under: Fatty acid (g) per fatty acid gross 100g)

Individual identification code	Region	Lipid quantity (g/100g)	Fatty acid composition(%)																			
			10:0	12:0	14:0	14:1	15:0	16:0	16:1	17:0	17:1	18:0	18:1	18:2	18:3	20:0	20:1	20:3	20:4			
			Saturated	Unsaturated	Decanoic acid	Lauric acid	Myristic acid	Myristoleic acid	Pentadecanoic acid	Palmitic acid	Palmitoleic acid	Heptadecanoic acid	Heptadecenoic acid	Stearic acid	Oleic acid	Linoleic acid	Linolenic acid	Arachidic acid	Icosenoic acid	Icosatrienoic acid	Arachidonic acid	
B82	Shoulder	18.4	57.6	42.4	6	8	892	195	53	4237	583	735	201	2190	4681	247	11	12	65	2	2	
					0.0	0.1	6.3	1.4	0.4	30.0	4.1	5.2	1.4	15.5	33.2	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	
	Loin	39.9	52.6	47.3	8	12	212	394	98	7616	1208	1524	407	3888	9365	487	21	22	135	4	2	
					0.0	0.0	0.8	1.6	0.4	30.0	4.8	6.0	1.6	15.3	36.9	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	
	Round	9.3	57.2	42.8	1	3	485	108	28	2105	303	359	110	1006	2290	145	6	6	24	2	1	
					0.0	0.0	6.9	1.5	0.4	30.1	4.3	5.1	1.6	14.4	32.8	2.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	
B89	Shoulder	29.6	58.9	41.1	8	12	907	358	120	7180	938	1734	373	3773	7428	391	17	20	73	4	2	
					0.0	0.1	3.9	1.5	0.5	30.8	4.0	7.4	1.6	16.2	31.8	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	
	Loin	39.6	58.9	41.1	12	15	1054	379	130	7897	1061	1899	389	4024	8226	378	14	20	69	2		
					0.0	0.1	4.1	1.5	0.5	30.9	4.1	7.4	1.5	15.7	32.2	1.5	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	
	Round	14.0	59.7	40.3	4	5	377	164	54	3507	403	837	173	1810	3480	199	8	9	28	2	1	
					0.0	0.0	3.4	1.5	0.5	31.7	3.6	7.6	1.6	16.4	31.5	1.8	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	
B90	Shoulder	20.0	57.6	42.4			9	564	228	82	4560	649	1046	232	1994	4664	254	11	10	34	1	1
					0.0	0.1	3.9	1.6	0.6	31.8	4.5	7.3	1.6	13.9	32.5	1.8	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	
	Loin	25.7	57.1	42.9	7	11	750	295	100	5554	829	1329	297	2619	6012	312	15	14	51	2	1	
					0.0	0.1	4.1	1.6	0.5	30.5	4.6	7.3	1.6	14.4	33.0	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	
	Round	9.2	56.4	43.6	2	3	227	106	33	2063	299	432	108	908	2183	122	5	5	20	1	1	
					0.0	0.0	3.5	1.6	0.5	31.7	4.6	6.6	1.7	13.9	33.5	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	

*: Japanese Black beef cattle

Table 10. Nutritional analysis of freeze-dried milk powder^{**} derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Macronutrient	(%)		Vitamin	(ppm)		Mineral	(ppm)	
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}		Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}		Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}
Crude protein	24.6	22.8	A(retinol)	5.4	3.9	Ca	8770	7660
Crude fat	24.6	31.9	B ₁	3.5	4.4	P	7860	7180
Carbohydrate	39.1	34.7	B ₂	10.0	9.0	K	17200	15800
Crude fiber	<0.1	<0.1	B ₆	3.2	4.2	Na	4570	4310
Ash content	5.7	5.1	B ₁₂	0.032	0.037	Mg	829	673
Water content	6.0	5.5	D ₃	0.005	0.003	Fe	3.1	2.8
			E	5	6	Zn	30.1	32.4
			K ₂	0.07	0.11	Cu	<0.5	0.7
			Niacin	11.3	7.8	S	0.23 %	0.21 %
			Pantotheinic acid	33.1	38.4	Mn	<0.5	<0.5
			Folic acid	0.71	0.62	I	0.8	0.6
			Biotin	0.22	0.33	Se	0.1	0.1
			Choline	0.09 %	0.08 %	Mo	<0.5	<0.5

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried.

***: Holstein dairy cattle.

Table 11. Nutritional analysis of the freeze-dried meat powder^{**} derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Macronutrient	(%)		Vitamin	(ppm)		Mineral	(ppm)	
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}		Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}		Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}
Crude protein	41.5	43.3	A(retinol)	0.04	0.08	Ca	80	95
Crude fat	54.6	52.3	B ₁	1.9	2.1	P	3830	3930
Carbohydrate	1.2	1.2	B ₂	6.8	4.9	K	5230	5740
Crude fiber	<0.1	<0.1	B ₆	6.2	7.5	Na	1710	1920
Ash content	1.9	2.1	B ₁₂	0.029	0.022	Mg	449	475
Water content	0.8	1.1	D ₃	<0.01	<0.01	Fe	47.3	45.1
			E	2	3	Zn	101	114
			K ₂	0.14	0.08	Cu	2.1	1.5
			Niacin	107	120	S	3000	3100
			Pantotheinic acid	17.7	14.4	Mn	<0.5	<0.5
			Folic acid	0.13	0.16	I	0.2	0.3
			Biotin	0.035	0.038	Se	0.3	0.3
			Choline	0.13 %	0.13 %	Mo	<1	<1

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried.

***: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Detection of mutagenicity by mouse micronucleus test²⁴⁾

1) Milk (Table 15)

A) Positive control

The frequency of micronucleated cells in bone marrow polychromatic erythrocytes upon mitomycin C treatment was 6.17%. The result obtained in the

negative control was 0.28%. Significant differences in the frequency were observed between these groups. The result verified the sensitivity of the mutagen in the present system. In addition, the polychromatic cell rate as a proportion of total erythrocytes in the negative control was 52.7%. This rate decreased significantly in the positive control to 36.3%. The

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 12. Digestion rates* obtained with rats for milk/meat derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Sample	Test group	Number of rats	Digestion rate (%, mean ± standard deviation)
Milk	Conventionally bred cattle**	5	88.8 ± 2.9
	Progeny of cloned cattle***	5	86.8 ± 2.8
Meat	Conventionally bred cattle****	5	90.3 ± 0.7
	Progeny of cloned cattle****	5	89.5 ± 0.8

Milk/meat was derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each powder was supplemented to a test diet.

*: The digestion rate shows the protein digestion rate.

** : Holstein dairy cattle

***: Japanese Black beef cattle

Table 13. Allergen study of milk derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle (by mouse abdominal wall method)

Derivation of milk	Group	Number of animals	Diameter of dye leakage (mm) (mean±standard deviation)
Conventionally bred cattle*	Control group	10	3.7 ± 1.4
	Test group	10	8.9 ± 4.1 **
Progeny of cloned cattle*	Control group	10	4.0 ± 1.3
	Test group	10	8.5 ± 3.1 **
Ovalbumin (positive control substance)	Control group	10	3.6 ± 1.1
	Test group	10	10.0 ± 3.9 **

Significantly different from control group (** : p<0.01)

Milk were freeze-dried and the extracts were used as samples. The test groups underwent sensitization treatment and elicitation, while the control groups underwent elicitation only.

*: Holstein dairy cattle

Table 14. Allergen study of meat derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle (by mouse abdominal wall method)

Derivation of milk	Group	Number of animals	Diameter of dye leakage (mm) (mean±standard deviation)
Conventionally bred cattle*	Control group	10	3.3 ± 0.9
	Test group	10	8.8 ± 3.3 **
Progeny of cloned cattle*	Control group	10	3.5 ± 0.9
	Test group	10	10.8 ± 3.9 **
Ovalbumin (positive control substance)	Control group	10	3.8 ± 1.2
	Test group	10	11.2 ± 3.9 **

Significantly different from control group (** : p<0.01)

Meat were freeze-dried and the extracts were used as samples. The test groups underwent sensitization treatment and elicitation, while the control groups underwent elicitation only.

*: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 15. Mutagenicity of milk^{**} derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle (by mouse micronucleus test)

Test group	Number of mice	Body weight (g) (Min-max)	Incidence (%) of micronucleus appearance (Min-max)	Polychromatic erythrocyte rate (%) (Min-max)	Assessment
Negative control (basal diet)	6	37.3 ± 2.6 (32.9-40.2)	0.28 ± 0.08 (0.20-0.40)	52.7 ± 6.3 (46.3-63.8)	Negative
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}					
2% supplementation to diet	6	35.7 ± 1.9 (32.6-37.7)	0.23 ± 0.13 (0.00-0.40)	54.8 ± 8.4 (42.7-64.3)	Negative
10% supplementation to diet	6	37.2 ± 2.3 (34.9-40.1)	0.27 ± 0.14 (0.05-0.45)	51.7 ± 4.7 (45.2-58.7)	Negative
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}					
2% supplementation to diet	6	37.4 ± 3.4 (32.5-41.3)	0.34 ± 0.10 (0.20-0.45)	50.0 ± 3.8 (46.3-56.2)	Negative
10% supplementation to diet	6	37.5 ± 1.6 (35.7-39.6)	0.25 ± 0.07 (0.15-0.35)	50.9 ± 6.7 (44.3-63.1)	Negative
Positive control ^{****} (Mitomycin C)	6	36.8 ± 2.0 (34.1-39.5)	6.17 ± 1.51 ^{**} (4.10-7.70)	36.3 ± 6.2 [*] (27.6-43.7)	Positive

Values were shown as mean±standard deviation.

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet. Each test diet was fed to a mouse group for 14 days.

**¹: Holstein dairy cattle.

****: The positive control group was administered a single dose of 2mg/kg of mitomycin C intraperitoneally.

*: Significantly different from negative control group (p<0.05)

**²: Significantly different from negative control group (p<0.01)

result demonstrated the cell toxicity of mitomycin C as a positive control.

B) Milk powder

Milk powders derived from the progeny and conventionally bred cattle were investigated. In test diets supplemented with milk powder at 2 or 10% (w/w), frequencies of micronucleated cells were 0.23–0.34%. No significant differences were observed with the frequency of 0.23% in the negative control. In addition, polychromatic cell rate as a proportion of total erythrocytes was 50.0–54.8%, which was not significantly different from the 52.7% observed in the negative control group.

2) Meat (Table 16)

A) Positive control

The sensitivity for mutagenicity in the detection system based on the frequency of micronucleated cells was also verified using mitomycin C as a positive substrate.

B) Meat powder

Meat powders derived from progeny and conventionally bred cattle were investigated. In the

test diet supplemented with meat powder at 1 or 5% (w/w), frequencies of micronucleated cells were 0.18–0.24%. No significant differences were observed with the frequency of 0.23% in the negative control. In addition, the mean of the polychromatic cell rate as a proportion of total erythrocytes was 48.3–57.3%, which was not significantly different from the 54.4% observed in the negative control group.

3) Conclusions

It was concluded that milk/meat derived from the progeny and conventionally bred cattle was negative for mutagenicity.

Twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test in rats

1) Milk

A) Effects of milk intake on health status in rats

a) Clinical signs

i) Dead cases

In the group fed a diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, a male rat (No. 019) lost weight continuously from the 36th month

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 16. Mutagenicity of meat^{**} derived from conventionally bred cattle and progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle (by mouse micronucleus test)

Test group	Number of animals	Body weight (g) (Min-max)	Incidence (%) of micronucleus appearance (Min-max)	Polychromatic erythrocyte rate (%) (Min-max)	Assessment
Negative control (basal diet)	6	38.5 ± 1.4 (36.6-40.6)	0.23 ± 0.13 (0.00-0.40)	54.4 ± 3.4 (50.8-59.8)	Negative
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}					
1% supplementation to diet	6	36.4 ± 1.2 (34.4-37.9)	0.21 ± 0.12 (0.00-0.35)	57.3 ± 2.3 (54.8-60.4)	Negative
5% supplementation to diet	6	38.0 ± 4.1 (32.7-44.4)	0.18 ± 0.12 (0.00-0.35)	48.3 ± 7.6 (35.6-57.2)	Negative
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}					
1% supplementation to diet	6	37.0 ± 1.3 (35.5-38.5)	0.20 ± 0.14 (0.00-0.40)	54.6 ± 3.5 (48.0-57.4)	Negative
5% supplementation to diet	6	37.0 ± 2.1 (33.9-39.5)	0.24 ± 0.08 (0.10-0.30)	52.3 ± 4.1 (46.0-57.4)	Negative
Positive control (Mitomycin C)	6	37.6 ± 1.8 (35.5-40.1)	8.17 ± 0.76 ^{**} (7.20-9.20)	38.1 ± 3.2 [*] (33.4-41.4)	Positive

Values were shown as mean±standard deviation.

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet. Each test diet was fed to a mouse group for 14 days.

***: Holstein dairy cattle.

****: The positive control group was administered a single dose of 2mg/kg of mitomycin C intraperitoneally.

*: Significantly different from negative control group (p<0.05)

** : Significantly different from negative control group (p<0.01)

of the feeding period. On the 282nd day of feeding, it was euthanized as it had reached a moribund stage.

Another male (No. 035) in the group fed 10% (w/w) milk powder diet from conventionally bred cattle, which showed no abnormal clinical signs, died on the 327th day of feeding. Pathological examinations of these rats revealed that the probable cause of death was hepatic failure, since multifocal necrosis was found in the liver.

ii) Changes in external appearance

Subcutaneous masses were found in two females (Nos. 503 and 508) fed 2% (w/w) milk powder diet derived from conventionally bred cattle (from the 357th day of feeding for No. 503, and the 306th day of feeding for No. 508) and a female (No. 539) fed 10% (w/w) milk powder diet derived from the progeny (from the 301st day of feeding). Pathology revealed that these masses were benign fibroadenoma of the mammary gland. Sporadic changes, such as chromodacryorrhea, crushing of teeth, alopecia/scab formation, rough fur

and soiling around the anus were also observed. These changes were not attributed to the diets.

b) Body weights (Figs. 7-1, 7-2)

In terms of the body weights of female/male rat groups fed milk powder diet (2 or 10% (w/w)) derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences due to the origin of milk powder were observed.

c) Food consumption (Figs. 8-1, 8-2)

In food consumption of female rat groups fed 2% (w/w) milk powder diet derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences due to the origin of milk powder were observed. Similar results were obtained for female/male rat groups fed 10% (w/w) milk powder diet. In female rat groups fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, significantly lower food consumption was found in the 6th and 39th weeks of feeding compared with those fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from

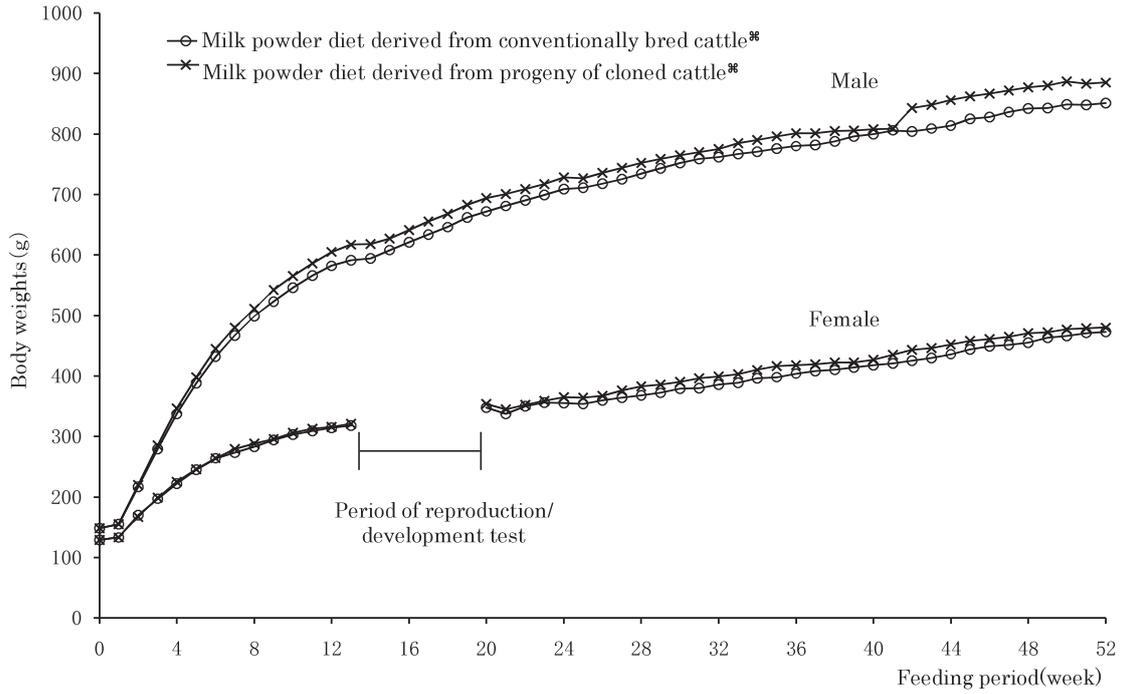


Fig. 7-1. Body weight curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 2% milk powder ^{**}

^{*}: Holstein dairy cattle.

^{**}: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

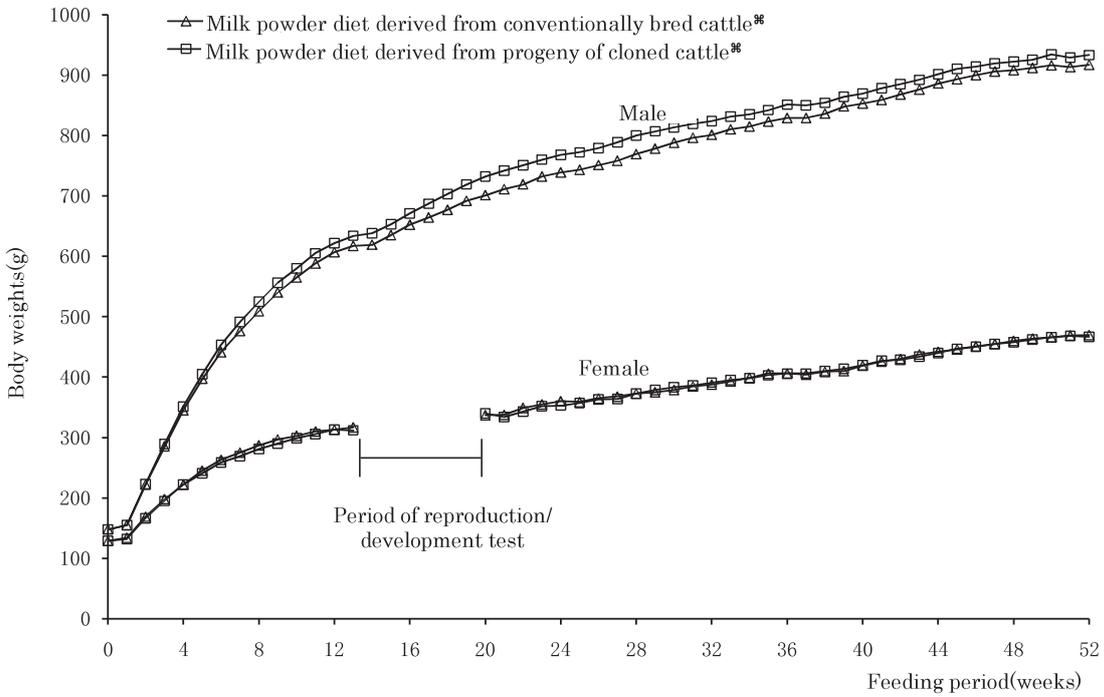


Fig. 7-2. Body weight curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 10% milk powder ^{**}

^{*}: Holstein dairy cattle.

^{**}: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

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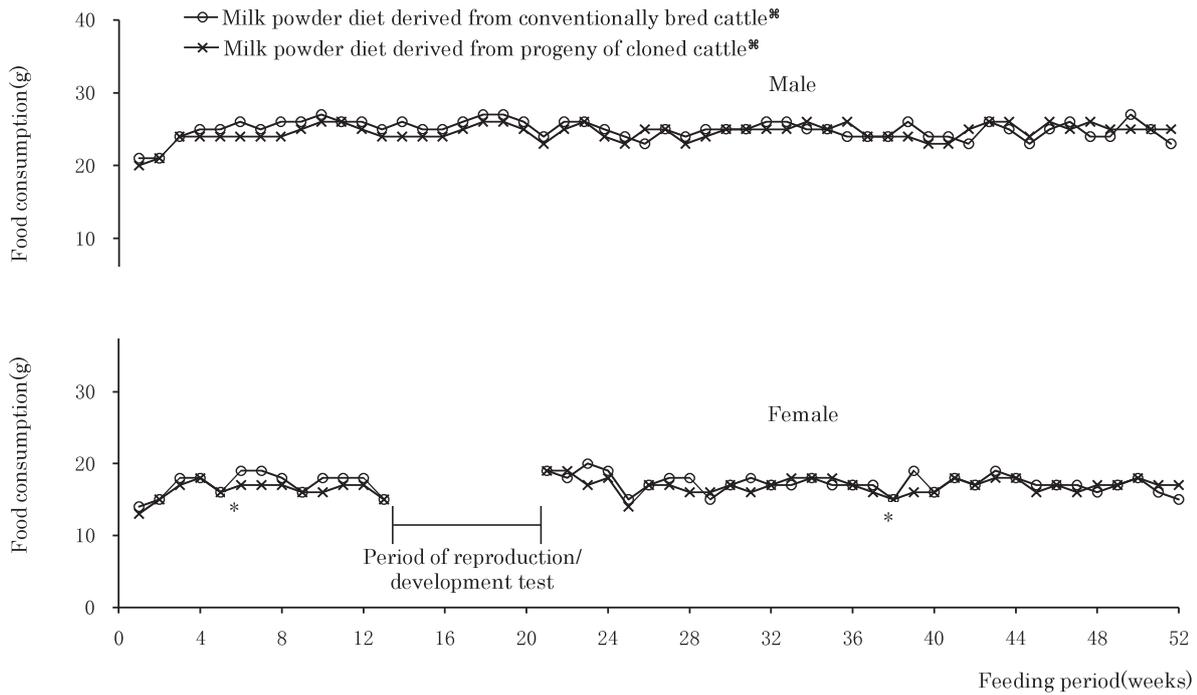


Fig. 8-1. Food consumption curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 2% milk powder^{**}

*: Holstein dairy cattle.

** : Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was prepared independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

Significant difference between two test diets (* : $p < 0.05$).

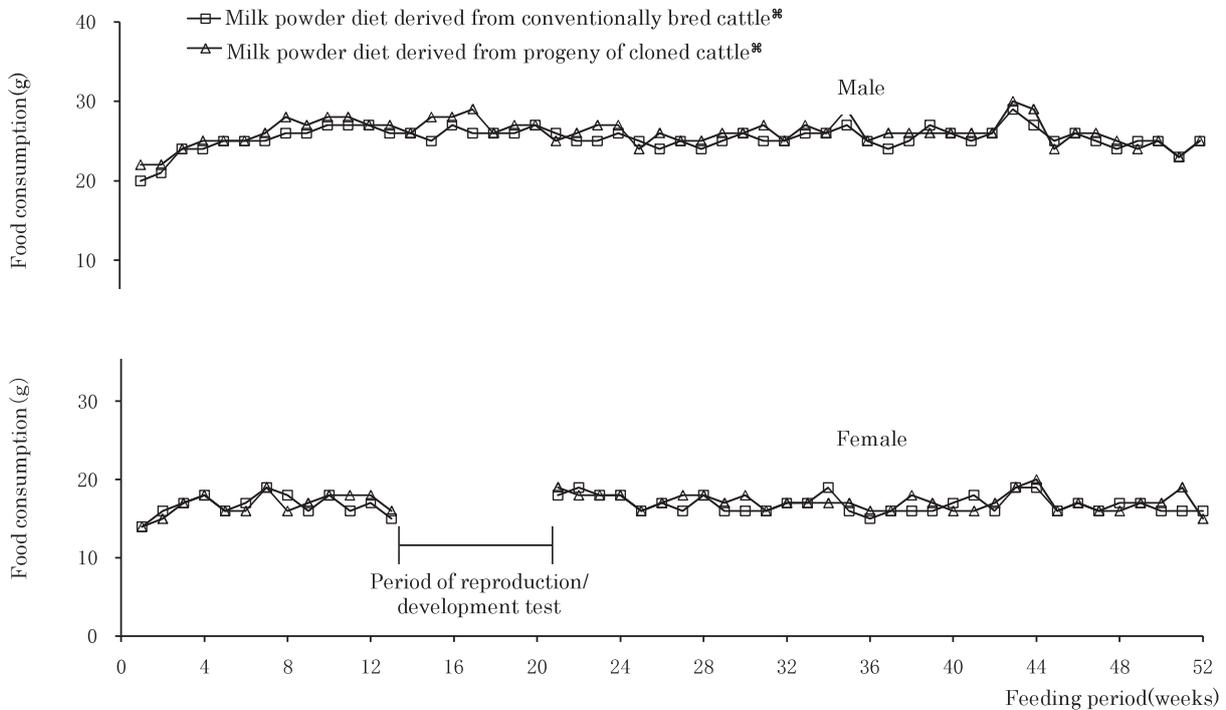


Fig. 8-2. Food consumption curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 10% milk powder^{**}

*: Holstein dairy cattle.

** : Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was prepared independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

conventionally bred cattle; however, no significant differences in food consumption due to the origin of milk powder were observed at other observation points.

The average food consumption per body weight of rats was observed throughout the twelve-month feeding period, except for pregnant females. In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, it was 832 mg/kg/day in males and 1,018 mg/kg/day in females. In the rat groups fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, it was 793 mg/kg/day in males and 963 mg/kg/day in females. In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, it was 4,024 mg/kg/day in males and 4,960 mg/kg/day in females. In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, it was 4,054 mg/kg/day in males and 5,044 mg/kg/day in females.

B) Effects of milk intake on physiological functions in rats

a) Sensory and reflex functions

In observations in the 3rd, 6th, 9th and 12th months of the feeding period, no abnormalities in sound response, approach response, touch response, tail pinch response, pupil reflex to light, pinna reflex, eyelid reflex, ipsilateral flexor reflex and righting

reflex due to the origin of milk powder were observed in rat groups. In an observation in the 12th month of feeding, one or two males had less touch response, tail pinch response, eyelid reflex and righting reflex in rat groups fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle.

b) Grip strength and motor activity (Tables 17–19)

In the 3rd, 6th, 9th and 12th months of the feeding period, grip strength of the forelimbs and hindlimbs and motor activity of rat groups fed diet supplemented with 2 or 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle were examined. No significant differences in these indices due to the origin of milk powder were found.

c) Reproductive function (Table 20)

In terms of the reproductive function in rat groups fed 2 or 10% (w/w) milk powder diet derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, the estrous cycle, copulation index, fertility index, gestation period and delivery index were determined. No significant differences in these indices due to the origin of milk powder were observed.

d) Ophthalmology

In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 2 or 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or the progeny, no abnormalities in the anterior portion of the eye, optic media and ocular

Table 17. Grip strength of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test (g)

Rat group for milk powder diet			Point of the measurement				
Milk powder in test diet							
	Origin	Content (%)	3 rd month	6 th month	9 th month	12 th month	
Forelimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	806 ± 194 (12)	959 ± 152 (12)	869 ± 269 (12)	931 ± 133 (12)	
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	864 ± 99 (12)	899 ± 248 (12)	969 ± 205 (12)	819 ± 279 (11)	
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	901 ± 258 (12)	1121 ± 282 (12)	892 ± 343 (12)	817 ± 158 (11)	
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	862 ± 166 (12)	1013 ± 235 (12)	906 ± 293 (12)	853 ± 244 (12)	
Hindlimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	430 ± 85 (12)	517 ± 152 (12)	485 ± 134 (12)	523 ± 102 (12)	
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	462 ± 100 (12)	550 ± 106 (12)	497 ± 150 (12)	500 ± 134 (11)	
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	464 ± 128 (12)	576 ± 134 (12)	589 ± 144 (12)	567 ± 121 (11)	
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	443 ± 92 (12)	516 ± 143 (12)	483 ± 154 (12)	481 ± 125 (12)	

Mean±standard deviation (number of animals)

^{*}: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{**}: Holstein dairy cattle.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 18. Grip strength of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test (g)

	Rat group for milk powder diet		Point of the measurement			
	Milk powder in test diet		3 rd month	6 th month	9 th month	12 th month
	Origin	Content (%)				
Forelimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	585 ± 95 (12)	718 ± 101 (12)	713 ± 207 (12)	626 ± 194 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	546 ± 83 (12)	766 ± 173 (12)	695 ± 179 (12)	688 ± 161 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	537 ± 78 (12)	732 ± 152 (12)	754 ± 155 (12)	753 ± 154 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	588 ± 62 (12)	845 ± 147 (12)	804 ± 190 (12)	643 ± 139 (12)
Hindlimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	334 ± 55 (12)	376 ± 60 (12)	517 ± 98 (12)	541 ± 70 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	355 ± 57 (12)	367 ± 55 (12)	462 ± 116 (12)	494 ± 146 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	304 ± 50 (12)	409 ± 97 (12)	499 ± 89 (12)	576 ± 157 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	309 ± 44 (12)	395 ± 55 (12)	512 ± 140 (12)	564 ± 159 (12)

Mean±standard deviation (number of animals)

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

Table 19. Motor activity of rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test (Counts/60minutes)

Sex of rats fed test diet	Rat group for milk powder diet		Point of the measurement			
	Milk powder in test diet		3 rd month	6 th month	9 th month	12 th month
	Origin	Content (%)				
Male	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	14572 ± 2707 (12)	10169 ± 3009 (12)	4373 ± 2472 (12)	5201 ± 2637 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	13554 ± 3070 (12)	10830 ± 1905 (12)	5098 ± 2340 (12)	4374 ± 1740 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	14666 ± 2547 (12)	10182 ± 3014 (12)	4683 ± 2487 (12)	5592 ± 1021 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	13562 ± 2540 (12)	10902 ± 2595 (12)	4525 ± 1808 (12)	4717 ± 1299 (12)
Female	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	14810 ± 2939 (12)	13205 ± 2389 (12)	8134 ± 2970 (12)	5502 ± 1937 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	13823 ± 3200 (12)	12208 ± 3835 (12)	8556 ± 3616 (12)	5446 ± 2043 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	14964 ± 3838 (12)	12410 ± 3564 (12)	11509 ± 3041 (12)	5745 ± 3396 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	14452 ± 3570 (12)	12801 ± 3364 (12)	10740 ± 3963 (12)	5369 ± 3531 (12)

Mean±standard deviation (number of rats investigated)

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

Table 20. Reproductive function of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

	Rat group for milk powder diet		Estrous cycle (days, Mean±SD)	Copulation index (%)	Fertility index (%)	Gestation length (days, Mean±SD)	Gestation index (%)
	Milk powder in test diet						
	Origin	Content (%)					
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	4.0 ± 0.0 (12) ^{a)}	100 (12/12)	100 (12/12)	22.6 ± 0.9 (12)	100 (12/12)	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	4.1 ± 0.3 (12)	91.7 (11/12)	90.9 (10/11)	23.2 ± 0.6 (10)	100 (10/10)	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	4.2 ± 0.2 (12)	100 (12/12)	83.3 (10/12)	22.8 ± 0.4 (10)	100 (10/10)	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	4.1 ± 0.2 (11)	100 (12/12)	91.7 (11/12)	22.4 ± 0.7 (11)	100 (11/11)	

Copulation index = (Number of pairs with successful copulation / Number of pairs mated)×100

Fertility index = (Number of pregnant female / Number of pairs with successful copulation)×100

Gestation index = (Number of females with live pups / Number of pregnant females)×100

SD : Standard deviation

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

^{a)} : Number of rats investigated

fundus due to the origin of milk powder were found.

e) Urinalysis (Tables 21-1–22-2)

In urinalysis observations of female/male rat groups fed diet supplemented with 2 or 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, no significant differences in each index due to the origin of milk were observed.

f) Blood analysis

i) Hematology (Tables 23, 24)

In female rat groups fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, significantly high values in RBC ($798 \times 10^4/\mu\text{l}$), hemoglobin (14.7 g/dl) and hematocrit (43.7%) were found compared with those in rat group fed milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle (RBC: $736 \times 10^4/\mu\text{l}$, hemoglobin: 13.5 g/dl and hematocrit:

40.8%). These data in females were within the ranges of the reference data obtained in our laboratory (RBC: $683\text{--}814 \times 10^4/\mu\text{l}$, hemoglobin: 13.5–15.4 g/dl and hematocrit: 40.1–46.0%).

In terms of the WBC of the female rat group fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, a significantly lower value ($31 \times 10^2/\mu\text{l}$) was observed compared with that of the rat group fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from progeny ($42 \times 10^2/\mu\text{l}$). The values were within the range of our reference data ($19\text{--}55 \times 10^2/\mu\text{l}$). No significant differences in hematology parameters due to the origin of milk powder were observed in male groups. Therefore, the findings observed in female rat groups might have occurred spontaneously.

Table 21-1. Urinalysis of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Color			Cloudy		Volume ^{a)} (ml/18hr)	Specific ^{a)} gravity	pH						Protein					
Origin	Content (%)		PY	Y	C	-	1+			5.0	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5	-	±	1+	2+	3+
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	2	12	12			12	4.9 ± 2.2	1.066 ± 0.013		8	4							4	4	4	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	2	11	9	2		11	5.9 ± 2.0	1.063 ± 0.008		5	3	2		1				1	4	6	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	10	11	10	1		11	7.1 ± 2.4	1.056 ± 0.013		6	2		2	1						3	8
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	10	12	11	1		12	6.2 ± 2.3	1.060 ± 0.011		5	4	3						1			11

Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Glucose				Ketone body				Occult blood					Urobilinogen				Bilirubin			
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	±	1+	2+	-	±	1+	2+	3+	0.1	1	2	4	-	1+	2+	3+
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	2	12	12					9	3	2	8	2			12								12
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	2	11	11					7	4	6	4			1	11								11
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	10	11	11					8	3	9	2				11								11
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	10	12	12					10	2	7	3	1		1	12								12

^{a)}: Mean±standard deviation

Color : PY(pale yellow); Y(yellow); C(color less)

Cloudy : -(negligible); 1+(cloudy)

Protein : -(negligible); ±(15~30mg/dl); 1+(30mg/dl); 2+(100mg/dl); 3+(300mg/dl)

Glucose : -(negligible); ±(0.1g/dl), 1+(0.25g/dl); 2+(0.5g/dl)

Ketone body : -(negligible); ±(5mg/dl); 1+(15mg/dl); 2+(40mg/dl)

Occult blood : -(negligible); ±(trace); 1+(slight); 2+(moderate); 3+(marked)

Urobilinogen : Ehrlich unit/dl

Bilirubin : -(negligible), 1+(slight), 2+(moderate), 3+(marked).

^{**}: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{***}: Holstein dairy cattle.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 21-2. Urinalysis of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder** in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet			Crystals																		
Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	Erythrocytes				Leukocytes				ammonium magnesium phosphate				calcium carbonate			amorphous			
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+	
Conventionally bred cattle***	2	12	8	4			7	3	2					12				12			12
Progeny of cloned cattle***	2	11	9	2			8	2	1					11				11			11
Conventionally bred cattle***	10	11	11				10	1						9	2			11			11
Progeny of cloned cattle***	10	12	9	3			9	3						12				12			12

Rat group for milk powder diet			Epithelial cells									Casts						Fat globules			
Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	squamous				round			spindle		granule		hyaline		waxy					
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	-	1+	-	1+	-	1+	2+
Conventionally bred cattle***	2	12	2	10					12		12			12		12		12			12
Progeny of cloned cattle***	2	11	4	7					11		11			11		11		11			11
Conventionally bred cattle***	10	11	5	6					11		11			11		11		11			11
Progeny of cloned cattle***	10	12	6	6					12		12			12		12		12			12

- : Not observed; 1+ : A few(1-10 counts) in some fields; 2+ : A few(1-10 counts) in all fields; 3+ : Many(over 11 counts) in all fields

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

***: Holstein dairy cattle.

ii) Clinical biochemistry (Tables 25, 26)

In clinical biochemistry of the female rat group fed a diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, significantly high levels of total cholesterol (128 mg/dl) and phospholipids (218 mg/dl) were observed compared with those in the rat group fed 2% (w/w) milk powder from conventionally bred cattle (108 mg/dl for total cholesterol and 185 mg/dl for total cholesterol). With regard to the male rat group fed the same diet shown above, significantly high levels of total bilirubin (0.26 mg/dl) were found compared with those in the rat group fed 2% (w/w) milk powder from conventionally bred cattle (0.21 mg/dl). Such high values were never observed in other rat groups; these high values were within the reference ranges obtained in our laboratory (0.19–0.33 mg/dl for total bilirubin in males, 66–164 mg/dl for total cholesterol in females and 137–278 mg/dl for phospholipids in females).

In the male rat group fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, a

significantly high level of inorganic phosphorous (5.7 mg/dl) was found compared with that of the rat group fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle (5.1 mg/dl). These values were within the reference range (4.4–6.1 mg/dl). In female groups fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences in clinical biochemistry parameters due to the origin of milk powder were observed.

Although some clinical biochemistry parameters showed significant differences due to the origin of milk powder, all values were within the reference ranges. Therefore, the present investigation suggested that there were no vital functional abnormalities in rats fed diets supplemented with milk powder derived from the progeny.

C) Effects of milk intake on morphology in rats

a) Autopsy

The subcutaneous masses found as clinical signs were confirmed by necropsy in two females fed diet

Table 22-1. Urinalysis of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder* in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	Color			Cloudy		Volume ^{a)} (ml/18hr)	Specific ^{a)} gravity	pH							Protein				
Origin	Content (%)		PY	Y	C	-	1+			5.0	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5	-	±	1+	2+	3+
Conventionally bred cattle**	2	12	11	1	12		6.8	1.060		6	3	1	2			2	2	5	2	1	
							± 2.2	±0.014													
Progeny of cloned cattle**	2	12	12		12		7.4	1.057		3	5	1	1	2		2	2	1	5	2	
							± 2.6	±0.015													
Conventionally bred cattle**	10	12	11	1	12		7.2	1.060		7	3	2			1	1	6	1	3		
							± 3.0	±0.016													
Progeny of cloned cattle**	10	12	11	1	12		6.4	1.063		8	2	2			1	2		5	4		
							± 2.4	±0.015													

Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	Glucose				Ketone body				Occult blood					Urobilinogen				Bilirubin			
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	±	1+	2+	-	±	1+	2+	3+	0.1	1	2	4	-	1+	2+	3+
Conventionally bred cattle**	2	12	12					9	3					11			1	12					12
Progeny of cloned cattle**	2	12	12					12						12				12					12
Conventionally bred cattle**	10	12	12					7	5					12				12					12
Progeny of cloned cattle**	10	12	12					8	3	1				10		1		1	12				12

^{a)}: Mean±standard deviation

Color : PY(pale yellow); Y(yellow); C(color less)

Cloudy : - (negligible); 1+(cloudy)

Protein : - (negligible); ±(15~30mg/dl); 1+(30mg/dl); 2+(100mg/dl); 3+(300mg/dl)

Glucose : - (negligible); 1+(0.1g/dl); 2+(0.25g/dl); 3+(0.5g/dl)

Ketone body : - (negligible); ±(5mg/dl); 1+(15mg/dl); 2+(40mg/dl)

Occult blood : - (negligible); ±(trace); 1+(slight); 2+(moderate); 3+(marked)

Urobilinogen : Ehrlich unit/dl

Bilirubin : - (negligible); 1+(slight); 2+(moderate); 3+(marked)

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

Table 22-2. Urinalysis of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder* in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	Erythrocytes				Leukocytes				Crystals								
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	3+	ammonium magnesium phosphate				calcium carbonate			amorphous	
										-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+
Conventionally bred cattle**	2	12	11	1		11	1			10	2			12					
Progeny of cloned cattle**	2	12	12			12				11	1			12					
Conventionally bred cattle**	10	12	12			12				12				12					
Progeny of cloned cattle**	10	12	10	2		11	1			12				12					

Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	Epithelial cells							Casts				Fat globules					
Origin	Content (%)		squamous			round				spindle		granule		hyaline		waxy		-	1+
			-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	-	1+	-	1+	2+
Conventionally bred cattle**	2	12	2	10			12			12			12	12					
Progeny of cloned cattle**	2	12	3	9			12			12			12	12					
Conventionally bred cattle**	10	12	5	7			12			12			12	12					
Progeny of cloned cattle**	10	12	3	8	1		12			12			12	12					

- : Not observed; 1+ : A few(1-10 counts) in some fields; 2+ : A few(1-10 counts) in all fields; 3+ : Many(over 11 counts) in all fields

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 23. Hamatological data of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet												
Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	RBC (10 ⁴ /μl)	Hemoglobin (g/dl)	Hematocrit (%)	MCV (fl)	MCH (pg)	MCHC (%)	Reticulocyte (%)	PT (sec)	APTT (sec)	
Origin	Content (%)											
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	12	875 ± 46	14.9 ± 0.7	44.5 ± 2.2	51 ± 3	17.0 ± 0.8	33.5 ± 0.7	18.1 ± 4.1	13.1 ± 0.5	17.2 ± 2.0	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	11	845 ± 43	14.7 ± 0.6	44.6 ± 1.3	53 ± 3	17.4 ± 0.7	32.9 ± 0.7	21.4 ± 4.0	12.7 ± 0.4	16.8 ± 1.3	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	12	844 ± 42	14.8 ± 0.8	44.5 ± 2.1	53 ± 2	17.6 ± 0.5	33.3 ± 0.6	19.1 ± 4.4	12.6 ± 0.7	16.4 ± 1.5	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	12	841 ± 52	14.7 ± 0.9	44.7 ± 2.7	53 ± 3	17.5 ± 0.9	32.9 ± 0.5	21.3 ± 5.5	12.7 ± 0.8	16.6 ± 2.1	

Rat group for milk powder diet												
Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	Platelet (10 ⁴ /μl)	WBC (10 ² /μl)	Differential leukocyte counts (%)							
Origin	Content (%)				Basophil	Eosinophil	Neutrophil	Lymphocyte	Monocyte	Others		
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	12	116 ± 11	76 ± 25	0.0 ± 0.0	1.9 ± 0.8	24.0 ± 7.8	71.6 ± 8.9	2.6 ± 1.0	0.0 ± 0.0		
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	11	123 ± 16	86 ± 15	0.0 ± 0.0	1.8 ± 0.6	21.7 ± 6.2	73.8 ± 6.5	2.6 ± 1.2	0.0 ± 0.0		
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	12	121 ± 14	84 ± 22	0.0 ± 0.0	1.8 ± 0.9	20.7 ± 4.2	74.8 ± 5.2	2.7 ± 1.0	0.0 ± 0.0		
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	12	126 ± 18	87 ± 25	0.0 ± 0.0	1.7 ± 0.7	21.4 ± 6.9	74.0 ± 7.6	2.9 ± 1.5	0.0 ± 0.0		

Mean±standad deviation

Abbreviations : RBC, Red blood cell; MCV, Mean corpuscular volume; MCH, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin; MCHC, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration; PT, Prothrombin time; APTT, Activated partial thromboplastin time; WBC, White blood cell

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

Table 24. Hamatological data of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet												
Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	RBC (10 ⁴ /μl)	Hemoglobin (g/dl)	Hematocrit (%)	MCV (fl)	MCH (pg)	MCHC (%)	Reticulocyte (%)	PT (sec)	APTT (sec)	
Origin	Content (%)											
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	12	736 ± 81	13.5 ± 1.4	40.8 ± 3.7	56 ± 3	18.4 ± 0.7	33.1 ± 0.5	19.8 ± 4.0	12.3 ± 0.3	16.3 ± 1.5	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	12	798* ± 50	14.7* ± 0.7	43.7* ± 1.9	55 ± 2	18.4 ± 0.6	33.6 ± 0.6	16.8 ± 3.1	12.4 ± 0.5	16.4 ± 1.2	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	12	778 ± 39	14.3 ± 0.6	42.5 ± 2.1	55 ± 2	18.4 ± 0.5	33.7 ± 0.6	16.6 ± 4.6	12.4 ± 0.3	16.3 ± 1.1	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	12	771 ± 40	14.4 ± 0.9	43.1 ± 2.7	56 ± 2	18.6 ± 0.5	33.4 ± 0.3	19.4 ± 3.9	12.4 ± 0.5	15.8 ± 1.8	

Rat group for milk powder diet												
Milk powder in test diet		Number of rats	Platelet (10 ⁴ /μl)	WBC (10 ² /μl)	Differential leukocyte counts (%)							
Origin	Content (%)				Basophil	Eosinophil	Neutrophil	Lymphocyte	Monocyte	Others		
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	12	98 ± 17	35 ± 11	0.0 ± 0.0	2.6 ± 1.5	33.0 ± 11.8	61.6 ± 12.7	2.9 ± 1.2	0.0 ± 0.0		
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	12	97 ± 14	41 ± 18	0.0 ± 0.0	2.3 ± 0.9	30.9 ± 11.8	63.1 ± 11.6	3.7 ± 1.0	0.0 ± 0.0		
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	12	94 ± 13	42 ± 12	0.0 ± 0.0	2.1 ± 0.6	26.0 ± 6.5	68.8 ± 7.0	3.1 ± 1.1	0.0 ± 0.0		
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	12	95 ± 14	31* ± 9	0.0 ± 0.0	2.2 ± 0.9	27.3 ± 7.9	67.6 ± 7.6	2.9 ± 0.8	0.0 ± 0.0		

Mean±standad deviation

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same milk powder content (*: p<0.05).

Abbreviations : RBC, Red blood cell; MCV, Mean corpuscular volume; MCH, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin; MCHC, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration; PT, Prothrombin time; APTT, Activated partial thromboplastin time; WBC, White blood cell

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

Table 25. Clinical chemistry data of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical Chemistry Parameters											
Origin	Content (%)		LDH (IU/l)	AST (IU/l)	ALT (IU/l)	ALP (IU/l)	γ-GTP (IU/l)	CK (IU/l)	ChE (IU/l)	T.P. (g/dl)	Alb. (g/dl)	Glob. (g/dl)	A/G	T-Cho. (mg/dl)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	12	547 ± 509	123 ± 179	50 ± 67	231 ± 41	0.71 ± 0.48	87 ± 25	122 ± 39	6.65 ± 0.21	2.92 ± 0.22	3.73 ± 0.23	0.79 ± 0.10	114 ± 26
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	11	725 ± 769	101 ± 62	52 ± 43	228 ± 77	0.84 ± 0.39	105 ± 48	108 ± 66	6.60 ± 0.26	2.93 ± 0.24	3.67 ± 0.27	0.80 ± 0.10	123 ± 19
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	12	343 ± 196	87 ± 76	41 ± 46	178 ± 59	0.72 ± 0.29	82 ± 21	120 ± 86	6.60 ± 0.30	3.02 ± 0.33	3.59 ± 0.19	0.85 ± 0.13	143 ± 42
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	12	742 ± 898	109 ± 99	37 ± 20	222 ± 59	0.99 ± 0.44	114 ± 57	116 ± 75	6.61 ± 0.30	2.89 ± 0.30	3.72 ± 0.19	0.78 ± 0.10	127 ± 20

Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical Chemistry Parameters										
Origin	Content (%)		T.G. (mg/dl)	PL (mg/dl)	Glu. (mg/dl)	BUN (mg/dl)	Crea. (mg/dl)	T-Bil. (mg/dl)	Ca (mg/dl)	P (mg/dl)	Na (mEq/l)	K (mEq/l)	Cl (mEq/l)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	2	12	149 ± 66	161 ± 26	170 ± 16	15.2 ± 4.2	0.34 ± 0.05	0.21 ± 0.03	10.2 ± 0.3	5.1 ± 0.5	149 ± 2	4.74 ± 0.36	105 ± 2
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	2	11	127 ± 44	168 ± 22	175 ± 19	13.6 ± 2.9	0.34 ± 0.06	0.26 ^{**} ± 0.03	10.3 ± 0.3	5.2 ± 0.5	150 ± 3	4.83 ± 0.58	105 ± 2
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	10	12	194 ± 66	199 ± 50	173 ± 14	13.2 ± 2.6	0.36 ± 0.10	0.29 ± 0.04	10.5 ± 0.3	5.1 ± 0.3	150 ± 1	4.60 ± 0.35	105 ± 1
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	10	12	148 ± 56	175 ± 21	177 ± 17	12.5 ± 3.2	0.35 ± 0.04	0.30 ± 0.05	10.5 ± 0.5	5.7* ± 0.6	151 ± 4	4.82 ± 0.33	106 ± 2

Mean±standard deviation

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same milk powder content (*: p<0.05, **: p<0.01).

Abbreviations : LDH, Lactate dehydrogenase; AST, Aspartate aminotransferase; ALT, Alanine aminotransferase; ALP, Alkaline phosphatase; γ-GTP, γ-Glutamyltranspeptidase; CK, Creatine kinase; ChE : Cholinesterase; T.P., Total protein; Alb., Albumin; Glob., Globulin; A/G, Albumin/globulin ratio; T-Cho., Total cholesterol; T.G., Triglyceride; PL, Phospholipid; Glu., Glucose; BUN, Blood urea nitrogen; Crea., Creatinine; T-Bil., Total bilirubin; Ca, Calcium; P, Inorganic phosphorus; Na, Sodium; K, Potassium; Cl, Chloride

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

**.: Holstein dairy cattle.

supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle and one female fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny. Scattered white spots on the liver were found in two rats: one euthanized male fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny and one dead male fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. A black area on the pituitary gland was observed in 11 rats: one male and two females fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from progeny; two males and three females fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk

powder derived from conventionally bred cattle; and one male and 3 females fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny.

Other necropsy findings were as follows: enlarged adrenal gland in one male fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle; enlarged kidney (characteristically edematous) in one male fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle; white area on the spleen in one female fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle; localized red/black spot on the liver in one female fed diet supplemented

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 26. Clinical chemistry data of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical Chemistry Parameters											
Milk powder in test diet			LDH	AST	ALT	ALP	γ -GTP	CK	ChE	T.P.	Alb.	Glb.	A/G	T-Cho.
Origin	Content (%)		(IU/l)	(IU/l)	(IU/l)	(IU/l)	(IU/l)	(IU/l)	(IU/l)	(g/dl)	(g/dl)	(g/dl)		(mg/dl)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	2	12	230 ± 86	66 ± 9	24 ± 9	73 ± 35	0.62 ± 0.22	93 ± 21	439 ± 130	7.14 ± 0.49	3.84 ± 0.48	3.30 ± 0.35	1.18 ± 0.21	108 ± 15
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	2	12	344 ± 389	87 ± 66	34 ± 34	79 ± 18	0.71 ± 0.17	92 ± 17	540 ± 177	7.42 ± 0.22	4.15 ± 0.22	3.27 ± 0.26	1.28 ± 0.15	128 ^{**} ± 17
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	10	12	306 ± 135	77 ± 34	26 ± 12	58 ± 10	0.51 ± 0.13	101 ± 29	533 ± 97	7.32 ± 0.36	4.14 ± 0.39	3.18 ± 0.20	1.31 ± 0.17	105 ± 14
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	10	12	277 ± 125	75 ± 32	23 ± 8	75 ± 55	0.65 ± 0.43	97 ± 30	518 ± 179	7.15 ± 0.54	3.91 ± 0.55	3.24 ± 0.27	1.22 ± 0.22	101 ± 25

Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical Chemistry Parameters										
Milk powder in test diet			T.G.	PL	Glu.	BUN	Crea.	T-Bil.	Ca	P	Na	K	Cl
Origin	Content (%)		(mg/dl)	(mg/dl)	(mg/dl)	(mg/dl)	(mg/dl)	(mg/dl)	(mg/dl)	(mg/dl)	(mEq/l)	(mEq/l)	(mEq/l)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	2	12	76 ± 51	185 ± 21	152 ± 24	12.4 ± 3.0	0.42 ± 0.05	0.29 ± 0.04	10.4 ± 0.3	3.9 ± 1.0	142 ± 1	4.62 ± 0.60	108 ± 3
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	2	12	89 ± 43	218 ^{**} ± 19	148 ± 9	11.0 ± 2.7	0.40 ± 0.04	0.31 ± 0.04	10.4 ± 0.4	4.0 ± 1.2	143 ± 2	4.62 ± 0.46	108 ± 2
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	10	12	70 ± 44	189 ± 30	148 ± 14	10.8 ± 1.5	0.40 ± 0.04	0.37 ± 0.06	10.6 ± 0.5	4.5 ± 0.7	143 ± 1	4.64 ± 0.40	109 ± 2
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	10	12	54 ± 30	178 ± 34	146 ± 14	11.0 ± 3.0	0.40 ± 0.05	0.37 ± 0.05	10.6 ± 0.4	4.9 ± 1.0	143 ± 2	4.78 ± 0.90	110 ± 2

Mean±standard deviation

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same milk powder content (**: p<0.01).

Abbreviations : LDH, Lactate dehydrogenase; AST, Aspartate aminotransferase; ALT, Alanine aminotransferase; ALP, Alkaline phosphatase

γ -GTP, γ -Gutamyltranspeptidase; CK, Creatine kinase; ChE : Cholinesterase; T.P., Total protein; Alb., Albumin; Glb., Globulin

A/G, Albumin/globulin ratio; T-Cho., Total cholesterol; T.G., Triglyceride; PL, Phospholipid; Glu., Glucose; BUN, Blood urea nitrogen

Crea., Creatinine; T-Bil., Total bilirubin; Ca, Calcium; P, Inorganic phosphorus; Na, Sodium; K, Potassium; Cl, Chloride

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried.

Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

***: Holstein dairy cattle.

with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny and one female fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny; ovarian cyst in one female fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny and uterine mass in two females fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny.

b) Organ weights (Table 27)

In terms of the organ weights of female/male rat groups fed 2 or 10% (w/w) milk powder diets derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences in the values due to the origin of milk powder were observed.

c) Histology (Table 28)

In terms of the histological findings of rat groups fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from progeny or conventionally bred cattle, non-neoplastic lesions found in males/females were as follows: artery mineralization; accumulation of foam cells in the lungs; myocardial degeneration/fibrosis in the heart; congestion and increased extramedullary hematopoiesis in the spleen; fatty change of hepatocytes in the liver; fatty change in the parotid gland; squamous hyperplasia of the forestomach; fatty change, deposit of brown pigment, fibrosis and focal atrophy of acinar cells in the pancreas;

Table 27. Organ weights of rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder** in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Male																	
Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Body weight (g)	Brain (g)	Salivary gland (g)	Heart (g)	Lung (g)	Liver (g)	Kidney (g)	Adrenal gland (mg)	Spleen (g)	Pituitary gland (mg)	Thyroid gland (mg)	Prostate (g)	Seminal vesicle (g)	Testis (g)	Epididymis (g)
Origin	Content (%)																
Conventionally bred cattle***	2	12	842 ±138	2.22 ±0.11	0.95 ±0.13	1.83 ±0.25	2.03 ±0.20	22.16 ±4.18	4.04 ±0.44	76.7 ±64.0	1.12 ±0.17	17.3 ±2.6	36.6 ±8.0	0.59 ±0.19	3.04 ±0.56	3.75 ±0.37	1.49 ±0.16
Progeny of cloned cattle***	2	11	883 ±135	2.23 ±0.09	0.95 ±0.09	1.87 ±0.18	1.99 ±0.20	23.06 ±3.90	4.32 ±0.36	65.6 ±11.4	1.27 ±0.31	20.9 ±14.6	38.4 ±7.1	0.59 ±0.15	3.08 ±0.47	3.64 ±0.24	1.63 ±0.14
Conventionally bred cattle***	10	11	909 ±70	2.20 ±0.10	0.98 ±0.13	1.91 ±0.13	2.08 ±0.21	21.99 ±2.81	4.77 ±1.66	68.4 ±10.7	1.19 ±0.23	19.1 ±4.5	38.5 ±7.3	0.71 ±0.17	3.02 ±0.55	3.76 ±0.31	1.56 ±0.21
Progeny of cloned cattle***	10	12	927 ±126	2.23 ±0.10	0.93 ±0.15	2.05 ±0.24	2.16 ±0.30	23.77 ±4.82	4.37 ±0.39	72.6 ±9.4	1.23 ±0.24	17.4 ±2.7	45.0 ±10.1	0.65 ±0.21	2.84 ±0.47	3.70 ±0.27	1.53 ±0.23

Female																
Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of rats	Body weight (g)	Brain (g)	Salivary gland (g)	Heart (g)	Lung (g)	Liver (g)	Kidney (g)	Adrenal gland (mg)	Spleen (g)	Pituitary gland (mg)	Thyroid gland (mg)	Ovary (mg)	Uterus (g)	
Origin	Content (%)															
Conventionally bred cattle***	2	12	459 ±88	2.01 ±0.09	0.58 ±0.05	1.23 ±0.14	1.43 ±0.17	10.97 ±3.91	2.48 ±0.29	69.3 ±11.6	0.67 ±0.16	29.4 ±8.9	30.1 ±5.4	72.1 ±30.3	0.93 ±0.23	
Progeny of cloned cattle***	2	12	472 ±70	1.97 ±0.11	0.59 ±0.05	1.27 ±0.15	1.39 ±0.11	10.83 ±2.23	2.62 ±0.40	75.9 ±14.3	0.61 ±0.12	32.4 ±12.4	33.7 ±5.4	67.7 ±41.4	0.92 ±0.25	
Conventionally bred cattle***	10	12	459 ±69	1.99 ±0.09	0.59 ±0.07	1.24 ±0.18	1.43 ±0.14	9.85 ±1.19	2.56 ±0.24	66.8 ±10.3	0.64 ±0.10	44.6 ±40.4	31.4 ±7.5	60.2 ±17.4	0.82 ±0.18	
Progeny of cloned cattle***	10	12	450 ±61	2.00 ±0.09	0.55 ±0.06	1.23 ±0.10	1.44 ±0.16	9.73 ±1.71	2.42 ±0.21	65.9 ±11.1	0.81 ±0.59	38.3 ±36.0	31.2 ±4.7	70.8 ±23.4	0.99 ±0.37	

Each value is shown as mean±standard deviation

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

***: Holstein dairy cattle.

chronic nephrosis, pelvic inflammation and tubular mineralization in the kidney; lymphocytic infiltration of submucosa in the urinary bladder; focal hyperplasia of the anterior lobe of the pituitary gland; C-cell hyperplasia and remnant of ultimobranchial body in the thyroid gland; focal hyperplasia of the cortex and angioectasis in the adrenal gland. Among these lesions, the rates of occurrence of fatty change in the parotid gland, pancreas lesions and chronic nephrosis in the kidney were higher in males than in females. No significant differences in the occurrence of these histological findings in rats due to the origin of milk powder were observed. Some lesions observed in a rat (No. 035) were severe multifocal necrosis in the liver and slight congestive edema in the lung.

Other lesions that were observed sporadically on histological observation were as follows: osseous metaplasia; mineralization of tunica media of aorta

in the lung; increased hematopoiesis in bone marrow; increased deposit of brown pigmentation in the spleen; hematoma in the liver; lymphocytic infiltration in the parotid gland; gastric gland dilatation in the glandular stomach; fibrosis of lamina propria, suppurative inflammation in the cecum; solitary cyst, cystic kidney (unilateral) and lymphocytic infiltration of the cortex in the kidney; lymphocytic infiltration in the prostate gland; endometrial hyperplasia in the uterus; cyst of anterior lobe, angioectasis and aberrant craniopharyngeal tissue in the pituitary gland; lymphocytic infiltration in the thyroid gland; and sporadic circular lymphocytic infiltration in the Harderian gland.

In neoplastic lesions of rat groups fed milk powder diet, a mammary gland tumor (cf. 1)-A)-a)-ii) of feeding study section; p.21) was observed. Other neoplastic lesions in rats were as follows: benign

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Table 28. Histopathological findings of rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder** in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Organ	Findings	Number of rats	Male rat group fed diet supplemented with milk powder derived from:		Female rat group fed diet supplemented with milk powder derived from:	
			Conventionally bred cattle**	Progeny of cloned cattle**	Conventionally bred cattle**	Progeny of cloned cattle**
			12	12	12	12
NON-NEOPLASTIC LESIONS						
Lung	Mineralization, artery		8	8	3	5
	Accumulation, foam cell		3	3	2	1
	Metaplasia, osseous		0	0	1	0
	Congestive edema		1	0	0	0
Heart	Myocardial degeneration/fibrosis		8	9	4	4
Aorta	Mineralization, tunica media		0	0	1	0
Bone Marrow	Increased hematopoiesis		0	0	0	1
Spleen	Congestion		2	1	1	1
	Increased extramedullary hematopoiesis		0	0	2	2
	Increased deposit, brown pigment		0	0	1	1
Liver	Fatty change, hepatocyte		7	8	5	4
	Necrosis, focal		1	0	0	0
	Hematoma		0	0	0	1
Parotid gland	Fatty change		12	10	2	1
	Lymphocytic infiltration		0	0	1	0
Forestomach	Squamous hyperplasia		0	2	1	1
Glandular stomach	Dilatation, gastric gland		0	1	0	1
Cecum	Fibrosis, lumina propria		1	0	0	0
	Inflammation, suppurative		0	0	0	1
Pancreas	Fatty change		7	8	2	2
	Deposit, brown pigment		6	6	1	0
	Fibrosis		8	5	0	0
	Atrophy, aciner cell, focal		2	2	0	0
Kidney	Cyst, solitary		0	0	2	0
	Cystic kidney, unilateral		1	0	0	0
	Mineralization, tubular		0	0	1	2
	Lymphocytic infiltration, cortex		0	0	1	0
	Chronic nephrosis		12	8	4	4
	Lymphocytic infiltration, pelvis		2	0	0	0
	Inflammation, pelvis		1	2	2	3
Urinary bladder	Lymphocytic infiltration, submucosa		0	0	1	1
Prostate	Lymphocytic infiltration		0	1	-	-
Uterus	Hyperplasia, endometrial		-	-	0	1
Pituitary gland	Focal hyperplasia, anterior lobe		5	2	4	1
	Cyst, anterior lobe		2	0	1	0
	Aberrant craniopharyngeal tissue		1	0	0	0
	Angioectasis, anterior lobe		0	0	2	0
Thyroid gland	Remnant, ultimobranchial body		3	1	0	2
	C-cell hyperplasia		1	2	2	1
	Lymphocytic infiltration		0	1	0	0
Adrenal gland	Focal hyperplasia, cortex		3	3	0	0
	Angioectasis		0	0	3	1
	Cyst, hemorrhagic		0	1	0	0
Harderian gland	Lymphocytic infiltration		1	0	0	0
NEOPLASTIC LESIONS						
Pituitary gland	Adenoma		2	2	2	2
Thyroid gland	Adenoma, follicular cell		0	1	0	0
Mammary gland	Fibroadenoma		0	0	0	1
Uterus	Polyp, endometrial stromal		-	-	0	1

No abnormalities were detected in the brain spinal cord, sciatic nerve, trachea, sublingual and submandibular glands, parathyroid, lymph node, thymus, bone marrow, tongue, esophagus, small intestine, eye ball, skeletal muscle, skin, testis, epididymis, seminal vesicle and vagina.

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

adenoma in the pituitary gland (two males and two females in group fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny; three males and two females in group fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle); benign follicular cell adenoma in the thyroid gland (one male fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny); and benign endometrial stromal polyp of the uterus (one female fed diet supplemented with 10% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny).

In the rat group fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from the progeny, findings obtained from histological examination of the gross lesions were as follows: severe multifocal necrosis in the liver with scattered white spots of a male (No. 019), which was euthanized as it had reached the moribund stage; angioectasis in the liver, which showed red spots; follicular cysts in the ovary; and benign anterior lobe adenoma in the pituitary gland with a black area.

With regard to the rat group fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, findings obtained from histological examination of the gross lesions were as follows: angioectasis of the cortex in the enlarged adrenal gland and inflammation in the spleen with a white area; benign anterior lobe adenoma in the pituitary gland with a black area; and benign fibroadenoma of the mammary gland.

These lesions observed in the present investigation were assumed to be spontaneous lesions¹³⁾. In rat groups fed diets supplemented with milk powder derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences in the rate of occurrence of these lesions due to the origin of milk powder were observed.

d) Observation of pups (*F₁*) produced by rats fed diets supplemented with milk powder (Tables 29–31)

In pups delivered from rat groups fed diets supplemented with milk powder (2 or 10% (w/w)) derived from the progeny, no significant differences in litter size, delivery index, sex ratio, viability index (day

4 of lactation) and lactation index (day 21 of lactation) due to the origin of milk powder were observed.

In terms of the body weights of female pups produced by female groups fed 2% (w/w) diet supplemented with milk powder from the progeny, a significantly high value was obtained on day 0 of lactation compared with that of pups delivered from female groups fed diet supplemented with 2% (w/w) milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. However, no significant differences in body weights due to the origin of milk powder were found. Thus, the differences in body weights were considered to be coincidences.

In terms of the external appearance of pups delivered from rat groups fed milk powder diets derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no differences in hair growth, pinna detachment, incisor eruption, eyelid opening and testicular descent due to the origin of milk powder were observed. All pups delivered from rat groups fed milk powder diet showed normal performance in the sensory response/reflex function test. There were no pups with any external abnormalities or visceral malformations.

In terms of the body weights and food consumption of rat groups fed milk powder diets derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences due to the origin of milk powder were observed during pregnancy and lactation.

2) Meat

A) Effects of meat intake on health status in rats

a) Clinical signs

i) Dead cases

In the group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, a female rat (No. 511) died. In this case, a subcutaneous mass was found in the right axillary region on the 162nd day of feeding, which became larger over time and ulcerated. It caused pale skin due to hemorrhage and hypothermia with increased pallor. Thus, this female was euthanized on the 191st day of the feeding period. The subcutaneous mass observed in this case was benign adenoma of the mammary gland.

A subcutaneous mass was also found in 2 females (Nos. 542 and 547) fed diet supplemented with

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Table 29. Observation of pups (F₁) from rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Item	Dams of pups investigated				
	Fed diet supplemented with 2% milk powder derived from;		Fed diet supplemented with 10% milk powder derived from;		
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	
On day 0 of lactation					
Litter size	12.4 ± 5.0 ^{a)}	10.4 ± 4.5	12.4 ± 4.1	13.3 ± 1.9	
Live birth index(%)	98.7	94.2	99.2	99.3	
Sex ratio(Male/Female)	0.863	0.891	1.138	1.246	
Body weights(g)	Male	6.9 ± 0.5	7.3 ± 0.7	6.9 ± 0.5	6.8 ± 0.9
	Female	6.4 ± 0.5	6.8 ± 0.5*	6.5 ± 0.6	6.5 ± 0.9
On day 4 of lactation					
Viability index on day 4(%)	95.2	96.9	98.4	97.9	
Body weights(g)	Male	11.4 ± 1.5	12.7 ± 1.7	11.6 ± 1.1	11.1 ± 2.0
	Female	10.2 ± 2.0	11.9 ± 1.2	10.7 ± 1.1	10.9 ± 1.9
On day 7 of lactation					
Body weights(g)	Male	18.8 ± 2.9	20.6 ± 2.4	19.2 ± 1.7	18.2 ± 2.6
	Female	20.9 ± 14.4	20.0 ± 1.4	18.2 ± 2.4	18.0 ± 2.4
On day 14 of lactation					
Body weights(g)	Male	40.0 ± 4.7	42.3 ± 3.3	40.2 ± 3.4	39.1 ± 3.8
	Female	39.1 ± 3.8	42.3 ± 2.5	39.4 ± 3.9	38.4 ± 3.5
On day 21 of lactation					
Lactation index(%)	98.8	100	100	100	
Body weights(g)	Male	70.5 ± 5.9	75.6 ± 5.2	72.2 ± 5.0	69.8 ± 5.3
	Female	68.7 ± 5.3	72.8 ± 3.1	69.3 ± 5.0	67.2 ± 4.7
Sensory response / reflex function test ^{b)}	NAD	NAD	NAD	NAD	
External abnormalities(%)	0.0 (0/149)	0.0 (0/104)	0.0 (0/124)	0.0 (0/146)	
Visceral malformations(%)	0.0 (0/149)	0.0 (0/104)	0.0 (0/124)	0.0 (0/146)	

Live birth index = (Number of live pups on day 0 / Number of pups born)×100

Viability index on day 4 = (Number of live pups on day 4 / Number of pups on day 0)×100

Lactation index = (Number of live pups on day 21 / Number of pups on day 4)×100

NAD : No abnormalities were detected

^{a)} : Mean±standard deviation

^{b)} : Responses to sound, approach, touch and tail pinch, pupil reflex to light, and pinna, ipsilateral flexor, eyelid and righting reflexes

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing milk powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same milk powder content (*: p<0.05).

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

***: Holstein dairy cattle.

5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny. The masses appeared on the 351st day of the feeding period in the right axillary region in No. 542 and on the 260th day of feeding in the right inguinal region in No. 547. The masses in Nos. 542 and 547 were benign adenoma and benign fibroadenoma, respectively.

Another female (No. 515) in the group fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder from conventionally bred cattle showed chromodacryorrhea (from the 279th day of feeding) and pale skin (from

the 322nd day of feeding), and its general condition deteriorated very quickly. On the last day of the feeding period (364th day), hypothermia, ataxic gait and accelerated respiration were observed. This rat was diagnosed with myelogenous leukemia by pathological examination. In addition to these symptoms, chromodacryorrhea, crushing of incisor, crust formation and abdominal distention were also observed sporadically.

These cases found in the present investigation

Table 30. Developmental observation of pups from rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder** in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet		Number of dams	Developmental observation (day)				
Milk powder in test diet			Hair growth	Pinna detachment	Incisor eruption	Eyelids opening	Testicular descent
Origin	Content (%)						
Conventionally bred cattle**	2	11	4.0 ± 0.0	4.0 ± 0.0	9.5 ± 1.7	13.3 ± 0.8	18.4 ± 1.0
Progeny of cloned cattle**	2	8	4.0 ± 0.0	4.0 ± 0.0	10.0 ± 0.7	12.6 ± 0.5	17.2 ± 0.8
Conventionally bred cattle**	10	10	4.0 ± 0.0	4.0 ± 0.0	10.1 ± 1.2	12.9 ± 0.7	18.0 ± 0.9
Progeny of cloned cattle**	10	11	4.0 ± 0.0	4.0 ± 0.0	10.3 ± 0.7	13.3 ± 0.7	17.8 ± 1.1

Mean±standard deviation

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

Table 31. Body weight, food consumption and milk powder intake during gestation and lactation periods of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried milk powder** in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for milk powder diet			Days of pregnancy				Days of lactation			
Milk powder in test diet			0	7	14	21	0	7	14	21
Origin	Content (%)									
Conventionally bred cattle**	2	Body weight (g)	318±38 (12)	351±33 (12)	381±36 (12)	434±34 (11)	358±37 (12)	362±34 (11)	361±30 (10)	338±31 (10)
		Food consumption (g/day)	22±3	24±4	25±3	22±4	23±8	41±9	55±5	41±6
		Milk powder intake (mg/kg/day)	1383	1368	1312	1014	1285	2265	3047	2426
Progeny of cloned cattle**	2	Body weight (g)	316±26 (10)	345±30 (10)	375±36 (10)	426±56 (10)	363±37 (9)	365±30 (8)	353±21 (8)	334±18 (8)
		Food consumption (g/day)	19±5	24±2	24±3	23±4	23±9	39±5	60±11	40±6
		Milk powder intake (mg/kg/day)	1203	1391	1280	1080	1267	2137	3399	2395
Conventionally bred cattle**	10	Body weight (g)	317±32 (10)	349±29 (10)	375±31 (10)	435±45 (10)	357±37 (10)	359±25 (10)	350±18 (10)	334±16 (10)
		Food consumption (g/day)	21±5	24±6	23±6	23±6	25±10	42±12	64±18	43±14
		Milk powder intake (mg/kg/day)	6625	6877	6133	5287	7003	11699	18286	12874
Progeny of cloned cattle**	10	Body weight (g)	310±31 (11)	343±31 (11)	378±32 (11)	446±34 (11)	359±35 (11)	357±31 (11)	352±22 (11)	332±24 (11)
		Food consumption (g/day)	23±6	23±6	25±5	22±9	23±7	40±4	58±6	42±7
		Milk powder intake (mg/kg/day)	7419	6706	6614	4933	6407	11204	16477	12651

Values represent mean±standard deviation or mean

(n): Number of animals available

*: Milk derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each milk powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Holstein dairy cattle.

could also generally occur during long-term raising of rats; therefore, the symptoms were not considered to be due to feeding on diets supplemented with meat powder derived from progeny.

b) Body weights (Figs. 9-1, 9-2)

In terms of the body weights of rat groups fed diets supplemented with 1 or 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, a fluctuating tendency of heavier body weight was observed in male groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder and female groups fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder when compared with rats of the same sex fed the same amount of meat powder diet from conventionally bred cattle. However, no significant differences in body weights due to the origin of meat powder were observed in all observation points.

c) Food consumption (Figs. 10-1, 10-2)

In terms of the food consumption of female rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder diet derived from the progeny, a significantly lower value in the 37th week of the feeding period was observed compared with that in female groups fed diet supplemented with meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. In other rat groups fed diet supplemented with meat powder derived from the progeny, no significant differences in food consumption due to the origin of meat powder were found.

The average food consumption per body weight of rats was observed throughout the twelve-month feeding period, except for pregnant females. In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, it was 434 mg/kg/day in males and 531 mg/kg/day in females. In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from progeny, it was 415 mg/kg/day in males and 528 mg/kg/day in females. In rat groups fed diets supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, it was 2,057 mg/kg/day in males and 2,623 mg/kg/day in females. In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, it was 2,090 mg/kg/day in males and 2,549 mg/kg/day in females.

B) Effects of meat intake on physiological functions in rats

a) Sensory and reflex functions

Slight hypersensitivity in touch response was observed in one male fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny. In this case, slight hypersensitivity at each observation point was shown at 3rd, 6th, 9th and 12th months of the feeding period; these observations were regarded as characteristics peculiar to this individual. The other rat groups fed 1 or 5% (w/w) meat powder diet derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle showed normal sound response, approach response, touch response, tail pinch response, pupil reflex to light, pinna reflex, eyelid reflex, ipsilateral flexor reflex and righting reflex.

b) Grip strength and motor activity (Tables 32–34)

In terms of the grip strength of the male group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from progeny, significantly high values were observed in hindlimb grip on the 3rd month of feeding and forelimb grip strength on the 6th month compared with those observed in the rat group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. In other rat groups fed diet supplemented with meat powder derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences in hindlimb and forelimb grip due to the origin of meat powder were observed. Although significant differences in grips were observed, they were considered irrelevant and coincidental findings. Therefore, these significant differences were not attributed to the origin of meat powder.

In terms of the motor activity of male rat group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, significantly reduced activities at the 3rd month of the feeding period were observed when compared with those in rat group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. However, no significant differences in motor activity due to the origin of meat powder were observed in other female/male groups. The significant differences in motor

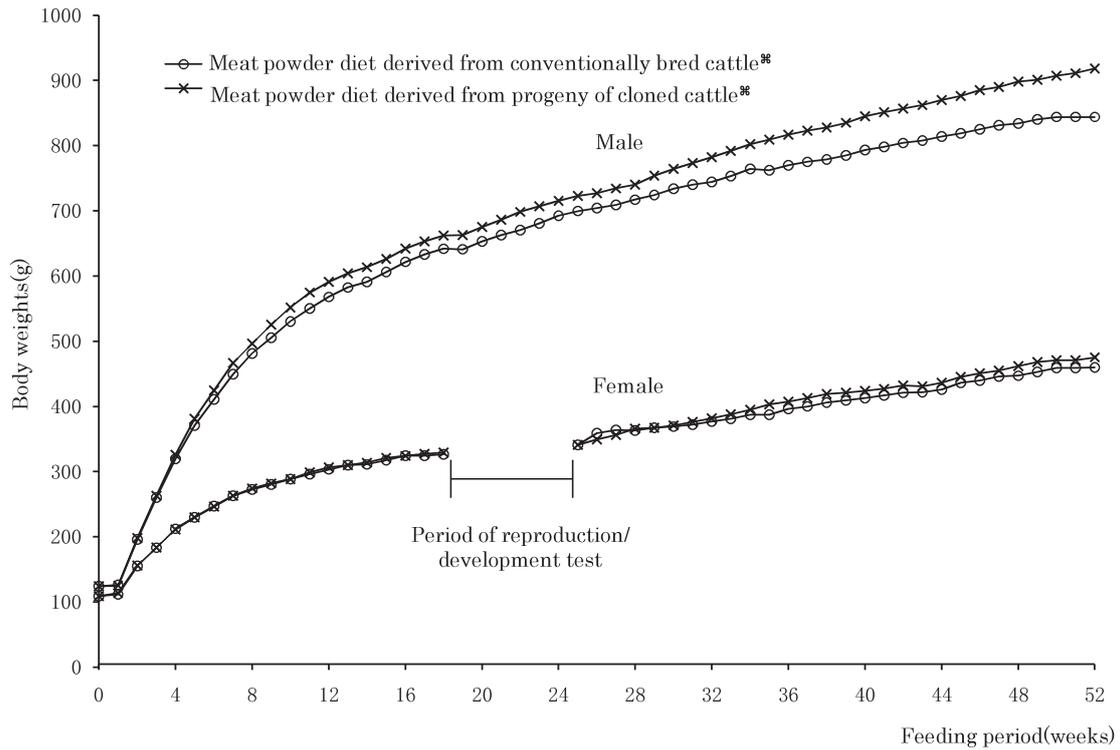


Fig. 9-1. Body weight curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 1% meat powder **

*: Japanese Black beef cattle.

***: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was prepared independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

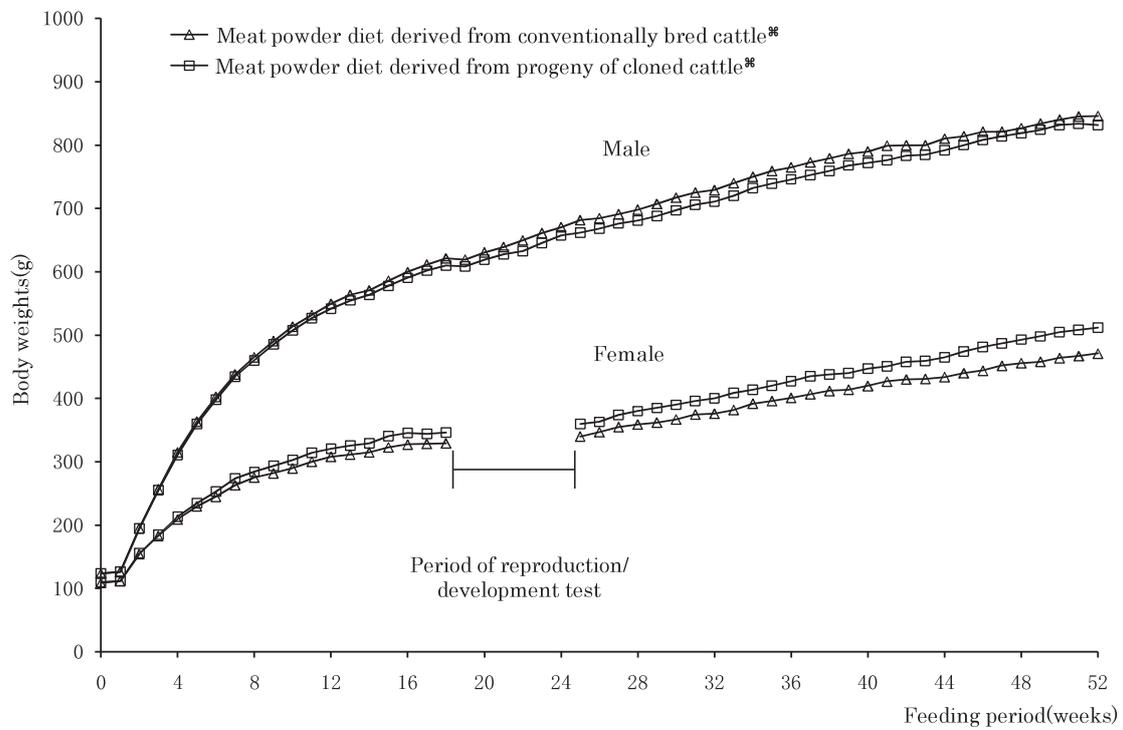


Fig. 9-2. Body weight curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 5% meat powder ***

*: Japanese Black beef cattle.

***: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was prepared independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

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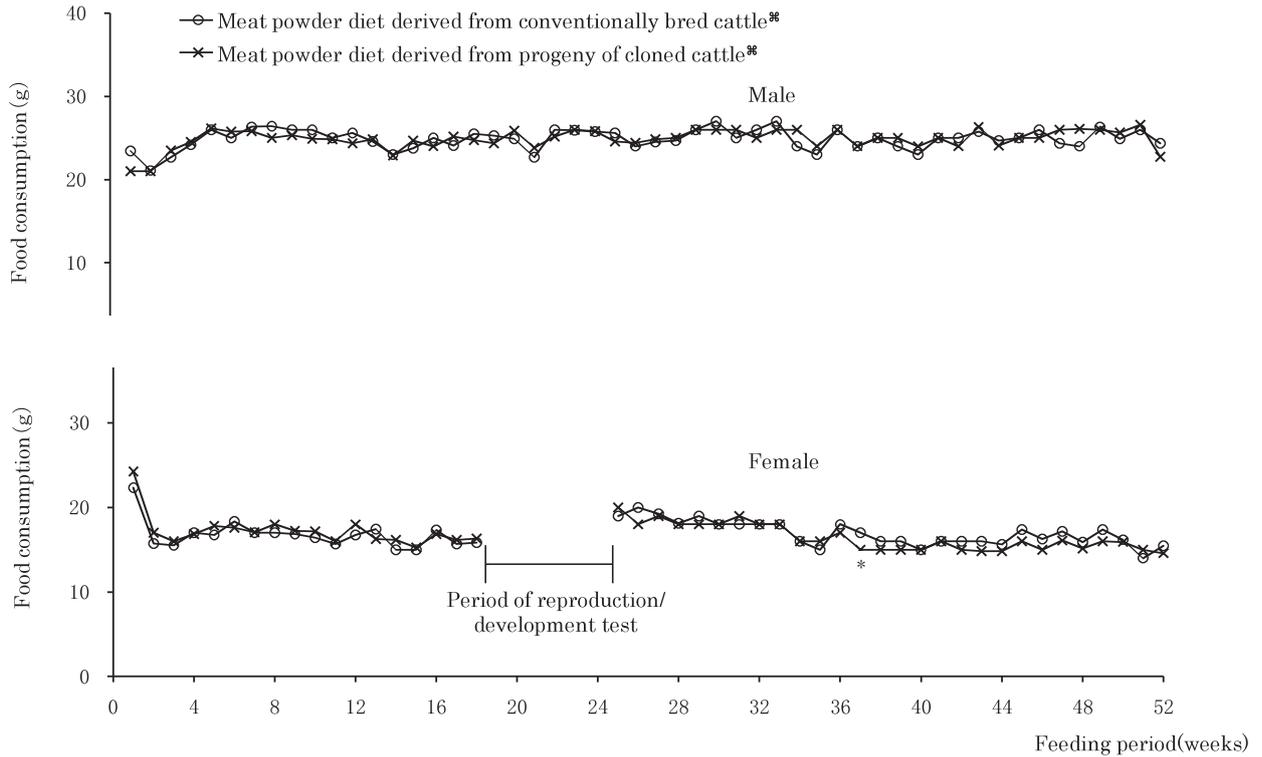


Fig. 10-1. Food consumption curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 1% meat powder^{**}

** : Japanese Black beef cattle.

^{**}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was prepared independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

Significant difference between two test diets (* p<0.05).

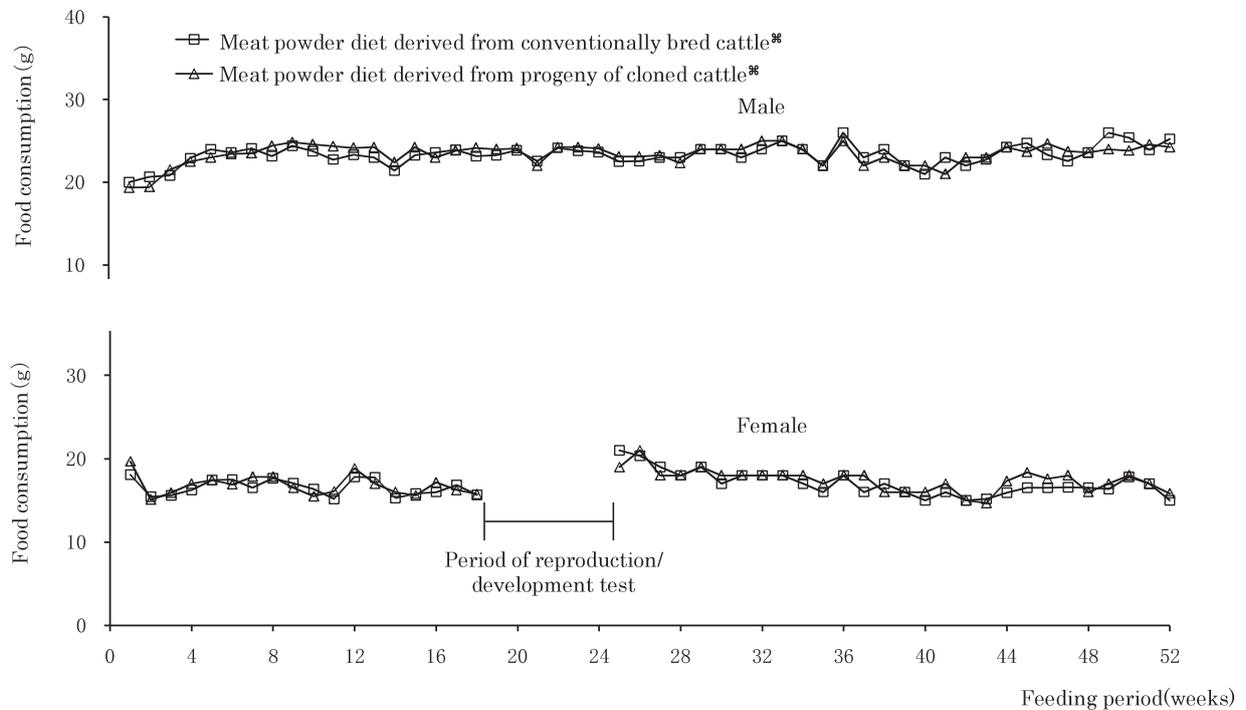


Fig. 10-2. Food consumption curves of rats fed diet supplemented with 5% meat powder^{**}

** : Japanese Black beef cattle.

^{**}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was prepared independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

Table 32. Grip strength of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test (g)

Rat group for meat powder diet			Point of the measurement			
Meat powder in test diet			3 rd month	6 th month	9 th month	12 th month
Origin	Content (%)					
Forelimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	898 ± 248 (12)	740 ± 237 (12)	646 ± 117 (12)	623 ± 65 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	965 ± 204 (12)	987 ± 195 (12) *	622 ± 122 (12)	849 ± 201 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	1014 ± 277 (12)	893 ± 174 (12)	644 ± 101 (12)	726 ± 215 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	908 ± 266 (12)	763 ± 189 (12)	669 ± 109 (12)	845 ± 215 (12)
Hindlimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	253 ± 104 (12)	412 ± 151 (12)	542 ± 142 (12)	467 ± 175 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	405 ± 99 (12) **	509 ± 111 (12)	595 ± 107 (12)	499 ± 96 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	408 ± 128 (12)	514 ± 95 (12)	603 ± 114 (12)	504 ± 117 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	386 ± 66 (12)	463 ± 101 (12)	615 ± 148 (12)	522 ± 167 (12)

Mean ± standard deviation (number of rats investigated)

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same meat powder content (*: p < 0.05, **: p < 0.01).

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

***: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 33. Grip strength of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test (g)

Rat group for meat powder diet			Point of the measurement			
Meat powder in test diet			3 rd month	6 th month	9 th month	12 th Month
Origin	Content (%)					
Forelimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	788 ± 150 (12)	778 ± 82 (12)	721 ± 175 (11)	742 ± 154 (11)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	761 ± 76 (12)	709 ± 153 (12)	666 ± 122 (12)	627 ± 116 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	694 ± 125 (12)	760 ± 148 (12)	832 ± 150 (12)	610 ± 150 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	794 ± 127 (12)	801 ± 141 (12)	734 ± 167 (12)	621 ± 164 (12)
Hindlimb	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	273 ± 129 (12)	440 ± 113 (12)	387 ± 106 (11)	435 ± 74 (11)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	250 ± 61 (12)	436 ± 122 (12)	497 ± 104 (12)	477 ± 116 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	268 ± 95 (12)	366 ± 75 (12)	493 ± 107 (12)	450 ± 79 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	219 ± 57 (12)	397 ± 100 (12)	490 ± 95 (12)	540 ± 158 (12)

Mean ± standard deviation (number of rats investigated)

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

***: Japanese Black beef cattle.

activity shown above were considered as coincidental findings and were not attributed to the origin of meat powder.

c) Reproductive function (Table 35)

In terms of the reproductive function of rat groups fed diets supplemented with 1 or 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from progeny, no significant differences in the estrous cycle, copulation index, fertility index, gestation period and delivery index due to the origin of meat powder were observed.

d) Ophthalmology

In rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1 or 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or the progeny, no abnormalities in ophthalmology findings due to the origin of meat powder were found.

e) Urinalysis (Tables 36-1–37-2)

In urinalysis observations of female/male rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1 or 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, no significant

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Table 34. Motor activity of rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test (Counts/60minuts)

Sex of rats fed test diet	Rat group for meat powder diet		Point of the measurement			
	Meat powder in test diet		3 rd month	6 th month	9 th month	12 th month
	Origin	Content (%)				
Male	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	13729 ± 2403 (12)	9171 ± 2847 (12)	5173 ± 1968 (12)	4888 ± 1584 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	9623 ± 2263 (12) **	8651 ± 2323 (12)	4562 ± 2423 (12)	4299 ± 1731 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	11991 ± 2228 (12)	10370 ± 3118 (12)	5884 ± 1652 (12)	3826 ± 2413 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	9514 ± 3511 (12)	8244 ± 1781 (12)	2770 ± 1020 (12)	4659 ± 1245 (12)
Female	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	11882 ± 3304 (12)	9696 ± 2023 (12)	8721 ± 4141 (11)	8652 ± 2965 (11)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	13099 ± 3111 (12)	8126 ± 2929 (12)	9482 ± 2613 (12)	7363 ± 2894 (12)
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	10909 ± 3407 (12)	6726 ± 2917 (12)	9346 ± 2445 (12)	6288 ± 1486 (12)
	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	10472 ± 3549 (12)	8666 ± 2882 (12)	9630 ± 2383 (12)	5094 ± 1761 (12)

Mean±standard deviation (number of rats investigated)

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same meat powder content (**: p<0.01).

^{*}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{***}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 35. Reproductive function of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Estrous cycle (days, Mean±SD)	Copulation index (%)	Fertility index (%)	Gestation length (days, Mean±SD)	Gestation index (%)
Origin	Content (%)					
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	2	4.4 ± 0.8 (12) ^{a)}	100 (12/12)	100 (12/12)	22.6 ± 0.5 (12)	100 (12/12)
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	2	4.5 ± 1.8 (11)	91.7 (11/12)	100 (11/11)	22.6 ± 0.5 (11)	90.9 (10/11)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	10	4.1 ± 0.2 (12)	100 (12/12)	100 (12/12)	22.6 ± 0.5 (12)	100 (12/12)
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	10	4.1 ± 0.2 (12)	91.7 (11/12)	100 (11/11)	22.5 ± 0.7 (11)	90.9 (10/11)

Copulation index = (Number of pairs with successful copulation / Number of pairs mated)×100

Fertility index = (Number of pregnant female / Number of pairs with successful copulation)×100

Gestation index = (Number of females with live pups / Number of pregnant females)×100

SD : Standard deviation

^{*}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{***}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

^{a)} : Number of rats investigated

differences in each index due to the origin of meat powder were observed.

f) Blood analysis

i) Hematology (Tables 38, 39)

In male rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, a significant increase in monocyte percentage (5.6%) in the differential leucocyte count was obtained compared with that in rat group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder from conventionally bred

cattle (4.3%). However, in other rat groups fed diet supplemented with meat powder derived from the progeny, no significant differences in hematology parameters due to the origin of meat powder were observed.

Furthermore, myelogenous leukemia was found in one female (No. 515) fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. The blood in this case showed a markedly increased level of granulated leucocytes and decreased

Table 36-1. Urinalysis of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Meat powder in test diet		Number of rats	Color		Cloudy		Volume ^{a)} (ml/18hr)	Specific ^{a)} gravity	pH						Protein				
Origin	Content (%)		PY	Y	-	1+			5.0	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5	-	±	1+	2+
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	12	8	4	12		5.9 ± 2.6	1.060 ± 0.013	5	3	1	3					3	9	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	8	4	12		5.7 ± 0.8	1.055 ± 0.012	4	4	2	1	1				1	11	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	7	5	12		6.9 ± 2.0	1.052 ± 0.010	3	8	1						2	10	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	9	3	12		5.6 ± 1.9	1.056 ± 0.010	3	4	3		1	1		1	2	8	1

Meat powder in test diet		Number of rats	Glucose				Ketone body				Occult blood					Urobilinogen				Bilirubin		
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	±	1+	2+	-	±	1+	2+	3+	0.1	1	2	4	-	1+	2+
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	12	12					5	7			8	2	2				12			12	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	12					8	4			10	1	1				12			12	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	12					6	6			11					1	12			12	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	12					6	6			8	2	2				12			12	

a): Mean±standard deviation
 Color : PY(pale yellow); Y(yellow)
 Cloudy : - (negligible); 1+(cloudy)
 Protein : - (negligible); ±(15~30mg/dl); 1+(30mg/dl); 2+(100mg/dl); 3+(300mg/dl)
 Glucose : - (negligible); ±(0.1g/dl); 1+(0.25g/dl); 2+(0.5g/dl)
 Ketone body : - (negligible); ±(5mg/dl); 1+(15mg/dl); 2+(40mg/dl)
 Occult blood : - (negligible); ±(trace); 1+(slight); 2+(moderate); 3+(marked)
 Urobilinogen : Ehrlich unit/dl
 Bilirubin : - (negligible); 1+(slight); 2+(moderate); 3+(marked)

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.
 **: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 36-2. Urinalysis of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Meat powder in test diet		Number of rats	Erythrocytes				Leukocytes				Crystals								
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	3+	ammonium magnesium phosphate			calcium carbonate			amorphous		
										-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	12	10	2			11	1			12					12			12
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	11	1			11	1			12					12			12
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	11		1		11	1			12					12			12
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	9	2	1		10	2			12					12			12

Meat powder in test diet		Number of rats	Epithelial cells								Casts						Fat globules			
Origin	Content (%)		squamous				round				spindle		granule		hyaline		waxy		-	1+
			-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	-	1+	-	1+	2+	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	12	2	9	1		12			12			12		12				12	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	3	8	1		12			12			12		12				12	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	1	10	1		12			12			12		12				12	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12		12			12			12			12		12				12	

- : Not observed; 1+ : A few(1-10 counts) in some fields; 2+ : A few(1-10 counts) in all fields; 3+ : Many(over 11 counts) in all fields
 *: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.
 **: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 37-1. Urinalysis of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Color		Cloudy		Volume ^{a)} (ml/18hr)	Specific ^{a)} gravity	pH								Protein				
Meat powder in test diet			PY	Y	-	1+			5.0	6.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5	-	±	1+	2+	3+	
Origin	Content (%)																				
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	11	11			6.0 ± 2.3	1.061 ± 0.015	5	2	1	2	1			2	5	4			
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	10	2	12		7.5 ± 2.7	1.057 ± 0.015	5	3	2	1		1		5	5	2			
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	10	2	12		7.4 ± 2.7	1.057 ± 0.011	9	2	1				4	4	4				
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	12		12		7.4 ± 3.0	1.057 ± 0.013	5	5	1	1			1	8	3				

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Glucose				Ketone body				Occult blood					Urobilinogen				Bilirubin		
Meat powder in test diet			-	1+	2+	3+	-	±	1+	2+	-	±	1+	2+	3+	0.1	1	2	4	-	1+	2+
Origin	Content (%)																					
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	11			10	1			10				1	11						11	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	12			11	1			11				1	12						12	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	12			8	4			11		1			12						12	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	12			7	5			11		1			12						12	

a): Mean±standard deviation
 Color : PY(pale yellow); Y(yellow)
 Cloudy : -(negligible); 1+(cloudy)
 Protein : -(negligible); ±(15~30mg/dl); 1+(30mg/dl); 2+(100mg/dl); 3+(300mg/dl)
 Glucose : -(negligible); ±(0.1g/dl); 1+(0.25g/dl); 2+(0.5g/dl)
 Ketone body : -(negligible); ±(5mg/dl); 1+(15mg/dl); 2+(40mg/dl)
 Occult blood : -(negligible); ±(trace); 1+(slight); 2+(moderate); 3+(marked)
 Urobilinogen : Ehrlich unit/dl
 Bilirubin : -(negligible); 1+(slight); 2+(moderate); 3+(marked)
^{*}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.
^{**}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 37-2. Urinalysis of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Erythrocytes				Leukocytes				Crystals								
Meat powder in test diet			-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	3+	ammonium magnesium phosphate				calcium carbonate			amorphous	
Origin	Content (%)										-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	3+	-
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	10	1		10	1			10	1			11			11		
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	11	1		11	1			12				12			12		
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	11	1		12				12				12			12		
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	11	1		12				11	1			12			12		

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Epithelial cells								Casts						Fat globules					
Meat powder in test diet			squamous				round				spindle			granule			hyaline			waxy		
Origin	Content (%)		-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	3+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+	-	1+	2+
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	5	6			11			11			11			11						
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	5	7			12			12			12			12						
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	6	6			12			12			12			12						
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	6	6			12			12			12			12						

- : Not observed; 1+ : A few(1-10 counts) in some fields; 2+ : A few(1-10 counts) in all fields; 3+ : Many(over 11 counts) in all fields
^{*}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.
^{**}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 38. Hamatological data of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	RBC (10 ⁴ /μl)	Hemoglobin (g/dl)	Hematocrit (%)	MCV (fl)	MCH (pg)	MCHC (%)	Reticulocyte (%)	PT (sec)	APTT (sec)
Meat powder in test diet	Content (%)										
Origin	Content (%)										
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	12	848 ^{a)} ± 72	14.3 ± 0.8	42.9 ± 2.1	51 ± 4	16.9 ± 1.3	33.2 ± 0.7	22.7 ± 10.0	13.4 ± 0.5	17.1 ± 0.8
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	11	831 ± 52	14.2 ± 0.9	43.0 ± 2.0	52 ± 3	17.1 ± 0.8	32.9 ± 0.7	27.0 ± 11.7	13.1 ± 0.6	16.6 ± 1.2
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	12	881 ± 80	14.8 ± 1.5	44.4 ± 3.7	51 ± 5	16.8 ± 1.6	33.2 ± 0.9	23.2 ± 16.8	13.1 ± 0.5	17.8 ± 1.8
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	12	870 ± 49	14.9 ± 0.8	44.6 ± 2.0	51 ± 2	17.1 ± 0.5	33.4 ± 0.6	19.6 ± 8.7	13.2 ± 0.8	17.5 ± 1.6

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Platelet (10 ⁴ /μl)	WBC (10 ² /μl)	Differential leukocyte counts (%)					
Meat powder in test diet	Content (%)				Basophil	Eosinophil	Neutrophil	Lymphocyte	Monocyte	Others
Origin	Content (%)									
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	12	123 ^{a)} ± 18	86 ± 37	0.0 ± 0.0	1.7 ± 0.5	29.2 ± 10.7	64.9 ± 11.3	4.3 ± 1.6	0.0 ± 0.0
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	11	123 ± 22	97 ± 33	0.0 ± 0.0	2.1 ± 1.5	28.3 ± 5.8	64.0 ± 6.7	5.6* ± 1.4	0.0 ± 0.0
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	12	128 ± 21	74 ± 16	0.0 ± 0.0	1.7 ± 0.7	27.5 ± 6.8	67.0 ± 6.5	3.8 ± 1.0	0.0 ± 0.0
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	12	120 ± 16	82 ± 23	0.0 ± 0.0	1.4 ± 0.6	25.9 ± 8.2	69.4 ± 8.5	3.3 ± 1.1	0.0 ± 0.0

^{a)} : Mean±Standad deviation

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same meat powder content (*: p<0.05).

Abbreviations : RBC, Red blood cell; MCV, Mean corpuscular volume; MCH, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin; MCHC, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration; PT, Prothrombin time; APTT, Activated partial thromboplastin time; WBC, White blood cell

^{**}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{***}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

red blood cells, platelets and lymphocytes.

ii) Clinical biochemistry (Tables 40, 41)

In terms of the clinical biochemistry of male rat group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, significantly higher values of sodium (149 mEq/l in males) and γ-glutamyl transpeptidase (0.25 IU/l in females) were observed compared with those in rat group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle (147 mEq/l for sodium in males and 0.10 IU/l for γ-glutamyl transpeptidase in females).

In male rat groups fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, significant differences in lactate dehydrogenase (266 IU/l), creatine kinase (64 IU/l), glucose (176 mg/dl) and sodium (150 mEq/l) were found compared with those in rat group fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle (521 IU/l for dehydrogenase, 96 IU/l for creatine

kinase, 161 mg/dl for glucose and 148 mEq/l for sodium).

In female rat group fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, significant differences in aspartate aminotransferase (70 IU/l), blood urea nitrogen (13.3 mg/dl) and inorganic phosphorous (4.3 mg/dl) were observed compared with those in rat group fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle (56 IU/l for aspartate aminotransferase, 10.5 mg/dl for blood urea nitrogen and 3.6 mg/dl for inorganic phosphorous).

When these values were compared with our reference data of males (155–810 IU/l for lactate dehydrogenase, 57–171 IU/l for creatine kinase, 141–185 mg/dl for glucose and 144–149 mEq/l for sodium) and of females (0.24–3.25 IU/l for γ-glutamyl transpeptidase, 43–282 IU/l for aspartate aminotransferase and 3.00–5.34 mg/dl for inorganic phosphorous), the present data were within the

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Table 39. Hamatological data of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet											
Meat powder in test diet		Number of rats	RBC (10 ⁴ /μl)	Hemoglobin (g/dl)	Hematocrit (%)	MCV (fl)	MCH (pg)	MCHC (%)	Reticulocyte (%)	PT (sec)	APTT (sec)
Origin	Content (%)										
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	780 ± 33	14.5 ± 0.5	43.4 ± 1.9	56 ± 2	18.5 ± 0.6	33.3 ± 0.6	26.7 ± 11.8	12.7 ± 0.3	17.1 ± 1.5
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	771 ± 37	14.6 ± 0.9	43.5 ± 2.1	56 ± 2	18.9 ± 0.9	33.4 ± 0.6	22.9 ± 6.1	12.6 ± 0.4	17.2 ± 1.6
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	11	803 ± 41	14.9 ± 0.6	44.4 ± 2.3	55 ± 2	18.6 ± 0.6	33.5 ± 0.6	19.4 ± 2.8	12.8 ± 0.3	17.0 ± 0.6
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	785 ± 59	14.5 ± 0.6	43.9 ± 1.9	56 ± 4	18.6 ± 1.2	33.2 ± 0.6	23.7 ± 7.8	12.9 ± 0.5	16.3 ± 0.9

Rat group for meat powder diet											
Meat powder in test diet		Number of rats	Platelet (10 ⁴ /μl)	WBC (10 ² /μl)	Differential leukocyte counts (%)						
Origin	Content (%)				Basophil	Eosinophil	Neutrophil	Lymphocyte	Monocyte	Others	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	105 ± 14	45 ± 11	0.0 ± 0.0	1.7 ± 0.7	21.6 ± 4.4	73.5 ± 4.5	3.2 ± 1.0	0.0 ± 0.0	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	103 ± 12	39 ± 10	0.0 ± 0.0	1.8 ± 0.6	24.1 ± 5.9	70.7 ± 6.6	3.4 ± 1.4	0.0 ± 0.0	
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	11	107 ± 13	35 ± 13	0.0 ± 0.0	2.1 ± 0.9	22.7 ± 4.1	71.9 ± 4.7	3.3 ± 1.3	0.0 ± 0.0	
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	104 ± 12	43 ± 16	0.0 ± 0.0	2.4 ± 0.9	24.6 ± 9.4	69.5 ± 8.7	3.5 ± 1.2	0.0 ± 0.0	

^{a)} : Mean±standad deviation

Abbreviations : RBC, Red blood cell; MCV, Mean corpuscular volume; MCH, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin; MCHC, Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration; PT, Prothrombin time; APTT, Activated partial thromboplastin time; WBC, White blood cell

^{*}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{**}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

reference ranges, with the exception of sodium in males.

Although a significant difference in sodium was found, all parameters except for this were within the reference ranges. Therefore, no clinical biochemistry parameters obtained in the present investigation suggested the presence of vital functional abnormality in rats fed diets supplemented with meat powder derived from the progeny.

C) Effects of meat intake on morphology in rats

a) Autopsy

A subcutaneous mass found as a clinical sign was confirmed by necropsy in one female (No. 515) fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. This rat was diagnosed as having leukemia with enlarged organs. The other specific features of this case were greenish-gray-colored spleen, kidney and fat tissue. Among 12 males/females in each group, a black area on the pituitary gland was found in one or two rats. Other

autopsy findings were as follows: softening of the testis in one male fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny; red spot on the liver of one male fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle; ovarian cyst in one female fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from progeny and in one female fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle; and bursa follicular cyst of the ovary in one female fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle.

b) Organ weights (Table 42)

In terms of the organ weights of female/male rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, significant differences in male liver (21.74 g) and female spleen (0.71 g) were found compared with those in rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle (19.01 g for

Table 40. Clinical chemistry data of male rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical chemistry data											
Meat powder in test diet Origin	Content (%)		LDH (IU/l)	AST (IU/l)	ALT (IU/l)	ALP (IU/l)	γ -GTP (IU/l)	CK (IU/l)	ChE (IU/l)	T.P. (g/dl)	Alb. (g/dl)	Glb. (g/dl)	A/G	T-Cho. (mg/dl)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	12	665 ^{a)} ±593	142 ± 93	70 ± 67	230 ± 110	0.79 ±0.37	114 ± 55	87 ± 38	6.50 ± 0.21	3.06 ±0.23	3.44 ±0.19	0.90 ±0.11	107 ± 37
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	11	550 ±414	155 ±124	78 ± 77	207 ± 51	0.82 ±0.38	89 ± 33	120 ± 53	6.43 ± 0.20	3.00 ±0.24	3.43 ±0.23	0.88 ±0.12	106 ± 31
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	12	521 ±358	160 ±155	80 ± 77	194 ± 48	0.63 ±0.41	96 ± 28	78 ± 42	6.66 ± 0.33	3.16 ±0.29	3.50 ±0.26	0.91 ±0.12	108 ± 28
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	12	266 [*] ± 94	91 ± 42	56 ± 53	193 ± 63	0.53 ± 0.17	64 ^{**} ± 14	105 ± 52	6.67 ± 0.26	3.22 ±0.21	3.45 ±0.18	0.94 ±0.09	109 ± 24

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical chemistry data										
Meat powder in test diet Origin	Content (%)		T.G. (mg/dl)	PL (mg/dl)	Glu. (mg/dl)	BUN (mg/dl)	Crea. (mg/dl)	T-Bil. (mg/dl)	Ca (mg/dl)	P (mg/dl)	Na (mEq/l)	K (mEq/l)	Cl (mEq/l)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	1	12	141 ^{a)} ± 42	157 38	159 ± 12	12.4 ± 2.0	0.45 ± 0.10	0.22 ± 0.04	10.7 ± 0.3	4.8 ± 0.3	147 ± 1	4.80 ±0.43	106 ± 2
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	1	11	123 ± 35	154 33	170 ± 17	10.7 ± 2.6	0.40 ± 0.09	0.22 ± 0.02	10.6 ± 0.3	4.8 ± 0.5	149 ^{**} ± 2	4.59 ±0.34	106 ± 2
Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	5	12	131 ± 45	158 ± 32	161 ± 9	10.4 ± 1.4	0.39 ± 0.04	0.21 ± 0.04	10.7 ± 0.2	5.0 ± 0.4	148 ± 1	4.87 ±0.24	107 ± 1
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	5	12	122 ± 55	160 ± 31	176 [*] ± 19	10.6 ± 1.4	0.40 ± 0.07	0.24 ± 0.02	10.8 ± 0.3	5.4 ± 0.7	150 ^{**} ± 1	4.51 ±0.56	107 ± 2

^{a)}: Mean±standard deviation

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same meat powder content (*: p<0.05, **: p<0.01).

Abbreviations: LDH, Lactate dehydrogenase; AST, Aspartate aminotransferase; ALT, Alanine aminotransferase; ALP, Alkaline phosphatase; γ -GTP, γ -Glutamyltranspeptidase; CK, Creatine kinase; ChE: Cholinesterase; T.P., Total protein; Alb., Albumin; Glb., Globulin

A/G, Albumin/globulin ratio; T-Cho., Total cholesterol; T.G., Triglyceride; PL, Phospholipid; Glu., Glucose; BUN, Blood urea nitrogen

Crea., Creatinine; T-Bil., Total bilirubin; Ca, Calcium; P, Inorganic phosphorus; Na, Sodium; K, Potassium; Cl, Chloride

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

***: Japanese Black beef cattle.

male liver, 0.62 g for female spleen). The final body weights of female/male groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from progeny were higher than those fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle. However, in rat groups fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, no significant difference was observed in male liver weight per 100 g body weight (2.39 ± 0.33 g/100 g body weight, mean \pm standard deviation) and female spleen weight per 100 g body weight (0.15 ± 0.02 g/100 g body weight) compared to those in rat group fed diet supplemented with 1% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle (2.30 ± 0.23 g/100 g

body weight for male liver and 0.14 ± 0.02 g/100 g body weight for female spleen). These findings suggested that the significant differences in these organ weights were due to the body weights of the rat groups.

With regard to organ weights in female/male rat groups fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder, no significant differences in organ weights due to the origin of meat powder were found out, including for liver and spleen.

In the leukemic female (No. 515) fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle, liver, kidney and ovary were markedly heavier than those of healthy females.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 41. Clinical chemistry data of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical Chemistry											
Meat powder in test diet Origin	Content (%)		LDH (IU/l)	AST (IU/l)	ALT (IU/l)	ALP (IU/l)	γ-GTP (IU/l)	CK (IU/l)	ChE (IU/l)	T.P. (g/dl)	Alb. (g/dl)	Glb. (g/dl)	A/G	T-Cho. (mg/dl)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	223 ^{a)} ± 111	51 ± 10	19 ± 7	163 ± 214	0.10 ±0.08	65 ± 31	498 ± 75	7.37 ±0.25	4.40 ± 0.28	2.97 ±0.23	1.49 ±0.18	104 ± 16
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	339 ± 232	73 ± 35	23 ± 12	117 ± 111	0.25* ±0.18	70 ± 36	528 ± 72	7.15 ±0.27	4.19 ± 0.23	2.96 ±0.23	1.43 ±0.14	112 ± 29
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	11	240 ± 109	56 ± 10	20 ± 4	103 ± 32	0.23 ±0.15	63 ± 21	440 ± 107	6.96 ±0.26	3.91 ± 0.29	3.04 ±0.20	1.29 ±0.15	99 ± 27
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	269 ± 92	70* ± 17	24 ± 8	125 ± 76	0.27 ±0.23	65 ± 26	421 ± 131	6.91 ±0.44	3.83 ± 0.28	3.07 ±0.19	1.25 ±0.07	101 ± 26

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Clinical Chemistry										
Meat powder in test diet Origin	Content (%)		T.G. (mg/dl)	PL (mg/dl)	Glu. (mg/dl)	BUN (mg/dl)	Crea (mg/dl)	T-Bil. (mg/dl)	Ca (mg/dl)	P (mg/dl)	Na (mEq/l)	K (mEq/l)	Cl (mEq/l)
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	127 ^{a)} ± 44	192 ± 23	146 ± 16	12.0 ± 1.7	0.51 ± 0.03	0.25 ±0.04	10.8 ± 0.2	3.4 ± 0.6	141 ± 2	4.05 ±0.51	106 ± 2
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	148 ± 90	207 ± 48	146 ± 8	12.0 ± 2.5	0.50 ± 0.06	0.26 ±0.04	10.6 ± 0.3	3.3 ± 0.8	142 ± 1	4.12 ±0.38	106 ± 3
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	11	111 ± 87	190 ± 44	160 ± 14	10.5 ± 2.8	0.48 ± 0.03	0.21 ±0.03	10.2 ± 0.3	3.6 ± 0.5	141 ± 2	4.47 ±0.49	107 ± 1
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	105 ± 59	188 ± 44	163 ± 16	13.3* ± 2.5	0.52 ± 0.08	0.22 ±0.04	10.5 ± 0.5	4.3* ± 0.8	142 ± 1	4.48 ±0.50	106 ± 3

a) : Mean±standard deviation

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same meat powder content (*: p<0.05).

Abbreviations : LDH, Lactate dehydrogenase; AST, Aspartate aminotransferase; ALT, Alanine aminotransferase; ALP, Alkaline phosphatase
γ-GTP, γ-Gutamyltranspeptidase; CK, Creatine kinase; ChE : Cholinesterase; T.P, Total protein; Alb., Albumin; Glb., Globulin
A/G, Albumin/globulin ratio; T-Cho., Total cholesterol; T.G., Triglyceride; PL, Phospholipid; Glu., Glucose; BUN, Blood urea nitrogen
Crea., Creatinine; T-Bil., Total bilirubin; Ca, Calcium; P, Inorganic phosphorus; Na, Sodium; K, Potassium; Cl, Chloride

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Japanese Black beef cattle.

c) Histology (Table 43)

In terms of the histological findings of rat groups fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, the non-neoplastic lesions found in males and/or females were as follows: artery mineralization, accumulation of foam cells in the lungs; myocardial degeneration/fibrosis in the heart; congestion, increased extramedullary hematopoiesis in the spleen; increased hematopoiesis of bone marrow; fatty change of hepatocytes and focal necrosis in the liver; fatty change in the parotid gland; squamous hyperplasia of the forestomach; fatty change, deposit of brown pigment, fibrosis and atrophy of acinar cells in the

pancreas; chronic nephrosis and pelvic inflammation with lymphocytic infiltration of the pelvis in the kidney; focal hyperplasia of anterior lobe and anterior lobe cyst in the pituitary gland; C-cell hyperplasia and remnant of the ultimobranchial body in the thyroid gland; focal hyperplasia of the cortex; and hemorrhagic cyst and angioectasis in the adrenal gland. Among these lesions, no significant differences in the occurrence of these histological findings due to the origin of meat powder were observed.

Other lesions that were found sporadically on histological observation were as follows: osseous metaplasia in the lungs; necrosis in the spleen; angiectasis and hyperplasia of bile duct in the

Table 42. Organ weights of rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Body weight (g)	Brain (g)	Salivary gland (g)	Heart (g)	Lung (g)	Liver (g)	Kidney (g)	Adrenal gland (mg)	Spleen (g)	Pituitary gland (mg)	Thyroid gland (mg)	Prostate (g)	Seminal vesicle (g)	Testis (g)	Epididymis (g)
Meat powder in test diet																	
Origin	Content (%)																
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	12	827 ±85	2.17 ±0.06	1.00 ±0.08	1.91 ±0.17	2.01 ±0.11	19.01 ±2.80	3.95 ±0.55	62.3 ±3.7	1.13 ±0.28	16.5 ±2.0	38.8 ±7.9	0.43 ±0.11	2.93 ±0.52	3.69 ±0.45	1.41 ±0.13
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	914 ±127	2.23 ±0.09	0.94 ±0.12	1.94 ±0.28	1.99 ±0.20	21.74* ±3.29	4.21 ±0.57	63.6 ±10.2	1.34 ±0.78	15.7 ±2.2	45.0 ±7.8	0.44 ±0.20	2.66 ±0.51	3.47 ±0.40	1.39 ±0.14
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	834 ±102	2.23 ±0.08	0.97 ±0.13	1.80 ±0.16	1.94 ±0.11	17.71 ±3.45	3.84 ±0.36	61.0 ±8.3	1.05 ±0.35	16.4 ±2.9	41.2 ±4.3	0.45 ±0.12	2.69 ±0.60	3.62 ±0.28	1.44 ±0.15
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	825 ±80	2.20 ±0.10	0.95 ±0.09	1.81 ±0.14	1.92 ±0.22	18.21 ±2.31	3.83 ±0.55	64.0 ±10.5	0.99 ±0.16	17.7 ±6.9	41.4 ±4.5	0.43 ±0.13	2.77 ±0.48	3.56 ±0.22	1.51 ±0.18

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of rats	Body weight (g)	Brain (g)	Salivary gland (g)	Heart (g)	Lung (g)	Liver (g)	Kidney (g)	Adrenal gland (mg)	Spleen (g)	Pituitary gland (mg)	Thyroid gland (mg)	Ovary (mg)	Uterus (g)
Meat powder in test diet															
Origin	Content (%)														
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	443 ±35	1.98 ±0.09	0.58 ±0.07	1.23 ±0.11	1.39 ±0.11	10.05 ±0.83	2.45 ±0.20	68.5 ±16.2	0.62 ±0.08	28.7 ±7.8	34.4 ±5.4	78.7 ±40.4	1.02 ±0.24
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	12	465 ±72	1.96 ±0.10	0.59 ±0.06	1.20 ±0.14	1.36 ±0.11	10.48 ±2.15	2.52 ±0.38	68.9 ±17.7	0.71* ±0.11	29.4 ±6.9	33.0 ±7.5	68.7 ±21.5	0.98 ±0.32
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	456 ±96	1.96 ±0.10	0.57 ±0.05	1.21 ±0.15	1.37 ±0.19	10.19 ±3.12	2.59 ±1.11	63.7 ±17.9	2.00 ±4.85	24.1 ±8.1	33.5 ±4.8	124.7 ±171.1	0.87 ±0.25
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	12	503 ±60	2.00 ±0.13	0.59 ±0.06	1.29 ±0.14	1.37 ±0.17	11.45 ±2.58	2.66 ±0.68	70.9 ±14.6	0.74 ±0.29	29.9 ±9.8	32.9 ±7.0	73.8 ±26.4	0.87 ±0.26

Each value is shown as mean±standard deviation

Significant difference between two rat groups fed test diets containing meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle or progeny of cloned cattle in the same meat powder content (*: p<0.05).

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried.

Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Japanese Black beef cattle.

liver; lymphocytic infiltration in the parotid gland; dilatation of gastric gland in the glandular stomach; mucosal mineralization and fibrosis of lamina propria in the cecum; lymphocytic infiltration in the pancreas; hyaline droplet degeneration, lymphocytic infiltration of the cortex and cortical fibrosis in the kidney; atrophy of somniferous tubules in the testis; inflammation in the prostate; inflammation of endometrium in the uterus; lymphocytic infiltration in the thyroid gland; focal fatty change in the adrenal gland; lymphocytic infiltration in the Harderian gland; and inflammation in the mammary gland.

In terms of neoplastic lesions of rat groups fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, mammary gland tumor and leukemia were shown.

Other neoplastic lesions in rats fed such a diet were as follows: benign adenoma in the pituitary gland (two males and one female in groups fed diet supplemented with meat powder from the progeny; two males and two females in groups fed diet supplemented with meat powder from conventionally bred cattle) and benign C-cell hyperplasia in the thyroid gland (one male fed diet supplemented with meat powder derived from conventionally bred cattle).

These lesions observed in the present investigation were assumed to be spontaneous⁸⁾. In rat groups fed diets supplemented with meat powder derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences in the rate of occurrence of these lesions due to the origin of meat powder were observed.

Characteristics of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle

Table 43. Histopathological findings of rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder^{**} in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Organ	Findings	Numer of rats	Male rat group fed diet supplemented with meat powder derived from:		Female rat group fed diet supplemented with meat powder derived from:	
			Conventionally bred cattle ^{**} 12	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**} 12	Conventionally bred cattle ^{**} 12	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**} 12
NON-NEOPLASTIC LESIONS						
Lung	Mineralization, artery		10	11	5	6
	Accumulation, foam cell		2	3	0	1
	Metaplasia, osseous		0	1	0	1
Heart	Myocardial degeneration/fibrosis		1	4	5	4
Bone Marrow	Increased hematopoiesis		0	0	0	1
Spleen	Congestion		3	0	2	1
	Increased extramedullary hematopoiesis		0	1	0	2
	Necrosis		0	0	1	0
Liver	Fatty change, hepatocyte		8	9	4	6
	Necrosis, focal		3	3	0	0
	Angiectasis		1	0	0	0
	Hyperplasia, bile duct		0	0	1	0
Parotid gland	Fatty change		12	9	2	2
	Lymphocytic infiltration		0	1	0	0
Forestomach stomach	Squamous hyperplasia		2	3	0	0
Glandular stomach	Dilatation, gastric gland		1	0	0	0
Cecum	Mineralization, mucosa		1	0	0	0
	Fibrosis, lumina propria		1	0	0	0
Pancreas	Fatty change		6	9	1	2
	Deposit, brown pigment		4	4	1	0
	Fibrosis		2	2	0	1
	Atrophy, aciner cell, focal		7	4	0	0
	Lymphocytic infiltration		1	0	0	0
Kidney	Degeneration, hyaline droplet		0	0	1	0
	Lymphocytic infiltration, cortex		0	1	0	0
	Fibrosis, cortex		1	0	0	0
	Chronic nephrosis		9	8	1	1
	Lymphocytic infiltration, pelvis		0	1	1	1
	Inflammation, pelvis		4	2	1	1
Testis	Atrophy, seminiferous tubule		1	0	-	-
Prostate	Inflammation		1	0	-	-
Uterus	Inflammation, endometrium		-	-	1	0
Pituitary gland	Focal hyperplasia, anterior lobe		2	2	4	4
	Cyst, anterior lobe		0	1	1	1
Thyroid gland	Remnant, ultimobranchial body		3	1	3	0
	C-cell hyperplasia		2	2	3	4
	Lymphocytic infiltration		1	0	1	0
Adrenal gland	Focal hyperplasia, cortex		3	3	1	0
	Angiectasis		0	0	1	1
	Cyst, hemorrhagic		0	0	3	4
	Fatty change, focal		0	1	0	0
Harderian gland	Lymphocytic infiltration		0	0	1	0
Mammary gland	Inflammation		1	0	0	0
NEOPLASTIC LESIONS						
Pituitary gland	Adenoma		2	2	2	1
Thyroid gland	Adenoma, C-cell		1	0	0	0
Mammary gland	Fibroadenoma		0	0	0	1
	Adenoma		0	0	0	1
Bone Marrow	Luekemia, myelogeneous ^{a)}		0	0	1	0

No abnormalities were detected in the brain spinal cord, sciatic nerve, trachea, sublingual and submandibular glands, parathyroid, aorta, lymph node, thymus, tongue, esophagus, glandular stomach, small intestine, eye ball, skeletal muscle, skin, epididymis, seminal vesicle and vagina.

^{a)}: The tumor cell infiltration was also observed in almost organs examined.

^{*}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{**}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

d) Observation of pups (F_1) produced by rats fed diets supplemented with milk powder (Tables 44–46)

In pups delivered from rat groups fed diets supplemented with 1 or 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from the progeny, no significant differences in litter size, delivery index, sex ratio, viability index (day 4 of lactation), lactation index (day 21 of lactation) and body weight due to the origin of meat powder were found.

In terms of the external appearance of pups delivered from rat groups fed diets with meat powder

derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no differences in hair growth, pinna detachment, incisor eruption, eyelid opening and testicular descent due to the origin of meat powder were observed. All pups delivered from rat groups fed a meat powder-supplemented diet showed normal performance in the sensory response/reflex function test.

From external observation, no pups with any external abnormalities or visceral malformations, except one rudimentary tail, were observed among 136 pups produced by rats fed diet supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder derived from conventionally bred

Table 44. Observation of pups (F_1) from rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powderz in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Item	Dams of pups investigated			
	Fed diet supplemented with 1% meat powder derived from;		Fed diet supplemented with 5% meat powder derived from;	
	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}	Conventionally bred cattle ^{***}	Progeny of cloned cattle ^{***}
On day 0 of lactation				
Litter size	11.5 ± 4.5 ^{a)}	10.6 ± 4.1	11.3 ± 3.3	10.9 ± 3.6
Live birth index(%)	96.8	98.3	97.1	96.7
Sex ratio(Male/Female)	1.625	1.127	1.345	1.000
Body weights(g)	Male	6.1 ± 1.1	6.7 ± 0.7	6.8 ± 0.7
	Female	6.0 ± 0.9	6.5 ± 0.8	6.6 ± 0.7
On day 4 of lactation				
Viability index on day 4(%)	89.3	100.0	97.7	94.0
Body weights(g)	Male	10.0 ± 2.9	11.7 ± 1.9	11.4 ± 2.2
	Female	9.9 ± 2.4	11.4 ± 1.5	11.2 ± 2.0
On day 7 of lactation				
Body weights(g)	Male	16.5 ± 4.8	19.0 ± 2.9	18.6 ± 3.4
	Female	16.3 ± 4.1	18.9 ± 2.4	18.3 ± 2.9
On day 14 of lactation				
Body weights(g)	Male	35.7 ± 7.3	39.0 ± 3.4	39.0 ± 4.2
	Female	35.2 ± 6.4	38.7 ± 2.2	38.3 ± 3.7
On day 21 of lactation				
Lactation index(%)	98.6	100	98.9	98.7
Body weights(g)	Male	64.5 ± 11.3	70.0 ± 6.1	69.5 ± 8.1
	Female	62.8 ± 9.9	68.5 ± 4.4	67.0 ± 6.2
Sensory response / reflex function test ^{b)}	NAD	NAD	NAD	NAD
External abnormalities(%)	0.0 (0/126)	0.0 (0/117)	0.7 (1 ^{c)} /136)	0.0 (0/120)
Visceral malformations(%)	0.0 (0/126)	0.0 (0/117)	0.0 (0/136)	0.0 (0/120)

Live birth index = (Number of live pups on day 0 / Number of pups born)×100

Viability index on day 4 = (Number of live pups on day 4 / Number of pups on day 0)×100

Lactation index = (Number of live pups on day 21 / Number of pups on day 4)×100

NAD : No abnormalities were detected

^{a)} : Mean±standard deviation

^{b)} : Responses to sound, approach, touch and tail pinch, pupil reflex to light, and pinna, ipsilateral flexor, eyelid and righting reflexes

^{c)} : One pup had a external abnormality, rudimentary tail

^{*}: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

^{***}: Japanese Black beef cattle.

cattle.

In terms of the body weights and food consumption of rat groups fed diet with meat powder derived from the progeny or conventionally bred cattle, no significant differences due to the origin of meat powder were observed during pregnancy and lactation.

DISCUSSION

Blood properties in heifer produced meat

In somatic cell cloned cattle, placental/fetal edema in the perinatal period^{11,30,43)} and high mortality rate due to large offspring syndrome^{3,7,19,21)}

Table 45. Developmental observation of pups from rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder* in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Number of dams	Developmental observation (day)				
Meat powder in test diet			Hair growth	Pinna detachment	Incisor eruption	Eyelids opening	Testicular descent
Origin	Content (%)						
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	11	4.1 ± 0.3	4.1 ± 0.3	9.5 ± 0.6	13.3 ± 0.7	18.5 ± 1.1
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	10	4.0 ± 0.0	4.0 ± 0.0	9.4 ± 0.4	13.1 ± 0.7	17.9 ± 0.6
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	12	4.1 ± 0.3	4.1 ± 0.2	9.5 ± 0.8	13.1 ± 1.3	18.1 ± 0.7
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	10	4.0 ± 0.0	4.0 ± 0.1	9.7 ± 0.8	13.7 ± 0.8	18.1 ± 0.5

Mean±standard deviation

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried.

Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Japanese Black beef cattle.

Table 46. Body weight, food consumption and meat powder intake during gestation and lactation periods of female rats fed diet supplemented with freeze-dried meat powder* in twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test

Rat group for meat powder diet		Days of pregnancy				Days of lactation				
Meat powder in test diet		0	7	14	21	0	7	14	21	
Origin	Content (%)									
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	1	Body weight (g)	333±20 (12)	365±18 (12)	398±15 (12)	446±23 (12)	370±32 (11)	368±25 (11)	367±23 (11)	352±22 (11)
		Food consumption (g/day)	19± 2	23± 3	22± 3	21± 4	21± 6	38±12	54±11	44±17
		Meat powder intake (mg/kg/day)	571	630	553	471	568	1033	1471	1250
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	1	Body weight (g)	334±37 (11)	365±41 (11)	393±40 (11)	449±44 (11)	368±46 (10)	370±39 (10)	365±30 (10)	353±27 (10)
		Food consumption (g/day)	19± 3	22± 3	22± 5	23± 6	23± 3	39± 5	56± 6	42±12
		Meat powder intake (mg/kg/day)	569	603	560	512	625	1054	1534	1190
Conventionally bred cattle ^{**}	5	Body weight (g)	340±36 (12)	367±35 (12)	399±36 (12)	453±42 (12)	379±34 (12)	371±29 (12)	364±23 (12)	344±20 (12)
		Food consumption (g/day)	18± 3	21± 3	22± 3	21± 4	20± 7	37±12	54±11	42± 9
		Meat powder intake (mg/kg/day)	2647	2861	2757	2318	2639	4987	7418	6105
Progeny of cloned cattle ^{**}	5	Body weight (g)	351±32 (11)	376±33 (11)	407±34 (11)	466±36 (11)	391±39 (10)	376±36 (10)	367±29 (10)	351±26 (10)
		Food consumption (g/day)	18± 3	21± 3	21± 3	23± 4	23± 3	38± 5	55± 9	40±10
		Meat powder intake (mg/kg/day)	2564	2793	2580	2468	2941	5053	7493	5698

Values represent mean±standard deviation or mean

(n): Number of animals available

*: Meat derived from three progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle and three conventionally bred cattle was collected independently and freeze-dried. Each meat powder was supplemented to a test diet.

** : Japanese Black beef cattle.

are well-known abnormal findings. These abnormalities seem to occur due to epigenetic errors^{32,46}. With regard to the somatic cell cloned cattle that survived the prenatal period, it is hard to find any differences compared with conventionally bred cattle^{12,33,42}. Studies concerning blood properties in somatic cell cloned cattle also support these findings^{6,15,20}.

With regard to progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle, it is also hard to find any abnormal findings including high mortality rate in the perinatal period^{12,33,42}. In the present investigation, 47 blood parameters concerning hematology and clinical biochemistry were examined. No remarkable abnormalities suggesting poor health status of the progeny were observed in the blood parameters investigated. This result agrees with a finding from blood parameter analysis carried out in New Zealand⁴².

The findings suggesting normality of the progeny could be supported by a model mouse system; it is assumed that there is no risk increase in terms of induction of abnormalities due to epigenetic errors in the progeny of cloned animals since any epigenetic errors that exist in a clone's genome would be erased during the process of gamete genesis and fertilization⁹.

Nutritional components and digestibility of milk/meat used in the present investigation

In the previous investigation, we analyzed micronutrients, amino acids and fatty acids in milk/meat derived from somatic cell cloned cattle^{15,45}. The results revealed that there were no differences in these nutritional values between the progeny and conventionally bred cattle. After the investigation, Welsh *et al.*³⁸ analyzed lipids, proteins, protein fractions, lactose, pH, nitrogen, solids, somatic cells and minerals in milk derived from somatic cell cloned cattle. They concluded that there were no differences in these values between samples derived from somatic cell cloned cattle and those from conventionally bred cattle. Moreover, Tome *et al.*³⁷ and Tian *et al.*³⁶ analyzed the composition of milk/meat derived from

somatic cell cloned cattle. They also concluded that there were no differences in these compositions between samples derived from somatic cell cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle.

In the present investigation, we analyzed nutritional values including general components, 18 amino acids and 17 fatty acids of milk/meat derived from progeny of somatic cell cloned cattle. Although individual differences were observed in some indices, no differences in milk/meat compositions due to the origin of milk/meat were observed.

When the analyzed results were compared with the Standard Tables of Food Composition in Japan²⁵, higher lipid and lower carbohydrate compositions were observed in milk derived from progeny and conventionally bred cattle, and higher lipid composition was observed in meat derived from progeny and conventionally bred cattle. These findings suggest that the progeny and conventionally bred cattle used for this study produced high-quality milk/meat.

In order to compare the digestibility of milk/meat derived from the progeny and conventionally bred cattle, we carried out *in vivo* digestion tests based on protein digestion rate with rats by supplying diets supplemented with milk/meat powders. The digestion rates in all samples analyzed were more than 85%. No differences in digestion rates due to the origin of milk/meat were found.

Anaphylactic reaction for milk/meat samples

Food allergy is a harmful reaction due to the intake of a particular food. In livestock food products, the reaction is well known in infants that ingest milk or dairy products, but it diminishes with age. Therefore, food allergy is not due to toxicity of food but instead develops due to individual sensitivity to allergen.

It is well known that milk contains allergens such as casein, β -lactoglobulin and α -lactalbumin³⁴. In milk fraction analyses, no significant differences in the amounts of these proteins were found between samples derived from somatic cell cloned cattle and conventionally bred cattle^{6,36,38}. With regard to allergy induced by meat, it seems to occur in countries with a

high level of meat consumption. Few allergens in meat are known, although one is tropomyosin.

Since animal cloning technology does not include a gene manipulation process, an increase of existing allergen and the generation of new types of allergen seem unlikely. However, to confirm this, we evaluated the anaphylactic reaction from milk/meat derived from the progeny by the mouse abdominal wall method¹⁷⁾. If a reaction protein is present in the test dosage, an antigen that depends on IgE induces an anaphylactic reaction. As a result of the reaction, chemical mediators such as histamine from fat/mast cells increase blood vessel wall permeability. If Evan's blue solution is injected into the vein before inducing the reaction, pigment leakage spots due to increased blood vessel wall permeability are seen on the abdominal wall. The allergenicity of test dosage can thus be evaluated by comparing the size of the pigment leakage between the test group and a negative control group.

The present investigation revealed that there were significant differences in the size of pigment leakage with milk/meat derived from the progeny and conventionally bred cattle compared with that of negative controls; the results demonstrated the presence of allergens in the milk/meat evaluated here. However, no significant differences in anaphylactic reactions due to the origin of milk/meat powder were observed. Therefore, it can be concluded that the anaphylactic reaction from milk/meat derived from the progeny is equivalent to that derived from conventionally bred cattle.

Mutagenicity of milk/meat derived from the progeny

Since many carcinogens induce mutations in DNA, the mutagenicity of novel foods has been investigated as a method of screening for carcinogens. The mouse micronucleus test based on chromosomal abnormality is known as an *in vivo* assay of mutagenicity. Therefore, mutagenicity of milk/meat derived from the progeny was investigated with the mouse micronucleus test²⁴⁾.

After chromosomal abnormality of the

erythroblasts in the marrow is induced, a smaller independent nucleus (micronucleus) will form owing to the absence of spindle formation after cell division. Since the micronucleus remains in the red blood corpuscle even after the erythroblast differentiates into red blood corpuscle, the micronucleus test has been used as an index of chromosomal abnormality²⁷⁾.

When the marrow cells are exposed to chemical substances by absorption, the rate of multistained red blood corpuscles decreases owing to cell toxicity of the substances. Therefore, the rate of multistained red blood corpuscles could be used as an index of exposure of marrow cells to a positive agent³⁴⁾. In the present investigation, milk powder (maximum 10% (w/w)) and meat powder (maximum 5% (w/w)) in diets were fed to mice for 14 days; however, the rate of multistained red blood corpuscles did not decrease. This result suggests that the substance causing cell toxicity was not contained in the milk/meat powder.

Twelve-month feeding study combined with reproduction/development toxicity test in rats

In a previous investigation, we carried out a fourteen-week feeding study of rats with milk/meat derived from embryonic and somatic cell cloned cattle^{15,45)}. This investigation demonstrated that there were no significant differences in indices of rats concerning health status, development, physiological functions and morphology compared to those in rats fed diet supplemented with milk/meat derived from conventionally bred cattle. We developed the feeding study as a "progeny version" with a twelve-month feeding period.

It is known that the balance and content of protein, lipid, fiber, minerals and vitamins in the nutritional composition of a diet influence growth, physiological function and the occurrence of cancer in rats^{10,18,23,28,44)}. Therefore, the nutritional compositions including macronutrients, vitamins and essential minerals of test diets supplemented with milk/meat powder were adjusted to equivalence with the basal diet³¹⁾.

The highest diet supplementation that does not negatively affect food consumption was estimated to

be 5% (w/w) for meat powder and 10% (w/w) for milk powder. In diets supplemented with 5% (w/w) meat powder and 10% (w/w) milk powder, the calorific values of these powders were 8.2% for meat and 13% for milk. The average meat/milk powder consumption of rats (per kg body weight) in this feeding study was comparable to that in humans (60 kg for men, 50 kg for women) of daily intakes of 300 g of meat (65% water content) and 1,600 g of milk (89% water content). Although these amounts were still below those for conventional toxicological tests using a 100-fold dose of a single substance, they exceeded the normal human dietary intake.

In the present twelve-month feeding study, there were no biologically significant differences in most of the growth- and reproduction-related indices between the rat groups fed the meat/milk diet derived from the progeny and conventionally bred cattle; however, abnormal findings were observed in terms of clinical signs and histology. These included sporadic symptoms that are not uncommon during the long-term raising of rats. As for the lesions found in the histological examinations, these were assumed to be spontaneous¹³⁾; therefore, we concluded that the symptoms and lesions observed in the rats were not due to feeding on the meat/milk powder diets derived from the progeny. These data concerning chronic toxicity show that milk/meat derived from the progeny is equivalent to those derived from conventionally bred cattle in use as dietary supplements for rats.

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体細胞クローン後代牛の生産物性状に関する調査報告書

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摘 要

体細胞クローン後代牛には，乳肉生産のための商業利用に利用できる可能性が指摘されているが，これらの動物が生産した乳肉の生産物性状に関する知見はほとんど得られていなかった。そこで，本研究ではこれらの知見を得るため，体細胞クローン後代牛が生産した乳肉の生産物性状と一般牛で得られた対応データとを比較した。まず，後代牛および一般牛が生産した乳肉の一般成分，アミノ酸および脂肪酸を分析した。次に，これらの乳肉を凍結乾燥粉末に加工した後，消化試験（ラット），アレルギー誘発試験（マウス腹壁法試験）および変異原試験（小核試験）を実施した。これらの調査項目において，後代牛と一般牛との間で有意差は認められなかった。さらに，後代牛が生産した乳肉を摂取した場合の慢性毒性を解明するため，ラット（雌雄）を用いた12カ月間の飼養・生殖併合試験を行った。その結果，試験区ラットの各種データ（動物の一般状態と詳細な臨床観察，体重・飼料摂取量の測定，自発運動量・前後肢握力・感覚反射機能等の機能検査，眼科検査，尿検査，雌の繁殖性と分娩した子ラットの健康状態）と対照区ラット（一般牛由来試験飼料を給与）のデータとの間に生物学的な差異は認められなかった。以上の結果は，体細胞クローン後代牛が生産した乳肉と一般牛が生産した乳肉とが同等であることを示唆している。

キーワード：牛，後代，体細胞クローン，乳肉，生産物性状

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