

## **Multimodal properties of photoresponsive neurons in *Onchidium***

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The intrinsically photoresponsive neurons in the abdominal ganglion of mollusk *Onchidium*, named Ip-1 and Ip-2 respond to light with slow hyperpolarization. In the present study, it has shown that ASW with 5% Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) evoked depolarization in Ip-2/1. The pH of ASW containing 5% CO<sub>2</sub> dropped from 7.8 to 6.0. Depolarization induced by CO<sub>2</sub> in Ip-2/1 could be caused by acidification (H<sup>+</sup>) derived from H<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, or CO<sub>2</sub> gas itself. Adding H<sup>+</sup> to ASW induced the depolarization in Ip-2/1, under condition in which membrane potentials were depolarized 5-10mV from their resting membrane potentials. On the contrary, ASW containing 5% CO<sub>2</sub> induced depolarization in Ip-2/1 in the wide range of membrane potentials. Furthermore, the effects of CO<sub>2</sub> depend on pH of ASW. These results suggest that the depolarization induced by adding CO<sub>2</sub> are produced by H<sup>+</sup> and CO<sub>2</sub> gas synergistically. Amphibian mollusk *Onchidium* open a pneumostome for aero-breathe. In the previous studies, it has shown that Ip-2/1 activities contribute the pneumostome opening. 5% CO<sub>2</sub> in the air enlarged the pneumostome's opening extremely. The activities of pneumostome could be controlled by multimodal neuron, photoresponsive, H<sup>+</sup> and CO<sub>2</sub>-sensing neurons, Ip-2/1.