Antibody-Drug Conjugates

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Antibody-Drug Conjugates (ADCs)



Anti-Cancer Agents



Chari, R. V. J.; Miller, M. L.; Widdison, W. C. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2014, 53, 3796.

Targeted Therapies

- Inhibitors of receptor tyrosine kinases
- Monoclonal antibodies



Imatinib

- Antibody-drug conjugates
- Small targeting molecule-drug conjugates
- Antisense method





• Drug container (151120_LS_Akinori_YAMAGUCHI)

Key Requirements of ACDs



<u>Antibody</u>

- High binding affinity
- Internizable
- Humanized/Human mAb

<u>Linker</u>

- Stable
- Efficient cleavage in cell

Payload

- High potency [pM]
- Stable
- Soluble
- Chemically modification
- Tumor selectivity

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Maytansinoids



Maytansine

Isolation: from the bark of *Maytenus ovatys*¹⁾ Biological activity: microtubule inhibition²⁾ Structural features: 19-membered macrolactam Total syntheses of Maytansine:³⁾ Corey (1980), Gao (1988), Total syntheses of Maytansinol:⁴⁾ Meyers (1980), Isobe (1984), Khuong-Huu (1996)



SAR of maytansine

Required:

Carbamate at C9 Double bonds at C11 & C13 Epoxide Ester at C3 but structure could be varied.

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Preparation of Antibody-Maytansinoid Conjugates (AMCs)



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Disulfide reduction Relative EC₅₀ (pM) Structure stability rate^a (*k* [M⁻¹min⁻¹]) huC242-SPDB-DM1 14 1 15 huC242-SPP-DM1 $\left(\bigcup_{DM} \bigcup_{M} \right)$ 2 7 15 huC242-SPDB-DM3 (DM Ss 1.0 5.0 14 huC242-SMPP-DM4 (DM < 0.00064 5 >22000 DM huC242-SMCC-DM1 n.d. n.d. 3.5 0 non-cleavable \ , thioether linker

Effect of Different Linkers on Stability and Cytotoxicity

^a disulfide reduction by DTT at pH 6.5, 37 °C.

Kellogg, B. A. et al. Bioconhugate Chem. 2011, 22, 717.

Bystander Effect of AMCs



Only AMC with the noncleavable linker had no bystander killing.

Cellular Catabolism of AMCs



Erickson, H. K. et al. Cancer Res. 2006, 66, 4426.

Effect of Linkers on Different Antibodies

Comparison of antitumor activities





Cleavable disulfide linker ADC has a better drug release. Whereas non-cleavable thioether linker ADC has a improved stability.

There may be some target-antigen dependency.

trastuzumab-<mark>SSNPP</mark>-DM3 (R = H) trastuzumab-<u>SSNPP</u>-DM4 (R = Me)

Tmab-SMCC-DM1 was clinically approved by FDA as Kadcyla.

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Auristatin Analogues



Monomethyl Auristatin E (MMAE): $IC_{50} = 0.1$ (nM)²⁾

Pettit, G. R. *et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1987**, *109*, 6883.
Doronina, S. O. *et al. Bioconjugate Chem.* **2006**, *17*, 114.

Linker Design of Auristatin ADCs

Mal-caproyl-val-cit-PAB-MMAE



Doronina, S. O. et al. Nat. Biotechnol. 2013, 21, 778

Cellular Catabolism of Auristatin ADCs



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Citotoxicity of Auristatin ACD



Cytotoxic effects on H3396 human breast carcinoma cells (cBR96 Ag+, cAC10 Ag-).

SCID mice with Karpas 299 human ALCL tumors (cAC10 Ag+, cBR96 Ag-) were treated with MMAE or mAb-Val-Cit-MMAE (1/30th of MTD).

cAC10-Val-Cit-MMAE was clinically approved by FDA as Brentuximab vedotin (Adcetris).

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Potential Aggregation



Thermal Stabilities of isolated mAb-Val-Cit-MMAE



mAb-ADCs were incubated in buffer and HMWS was determined by size-exclusion chromatography. The control was mAb-ADC containing a mixture of 0-8 drug molecules per mAb (average DAR = 3.6). (DAR = drug to antibody ratio, HMWS = high

(DAK – drug to antibody ratio, HWWS – high molecular-weight species)

Mechanism of p-Aminobenzyl Quaternary Ammonium Salt



Characterization of Quaternary-Ammonium-Linked System



Selection and Evaluation of Amines



Synthesis of a Library of PABQ-Linked Amines



In Vivo Stability and Efficacy



In vivo efficacy of mAb-**16**. anti-NaPi (negative control)

mAb-16 showed good stability in blood circulation and complete reguression of tumor (8 mg/kg).

DAR was determined using an affinity-capture LC/MS.

Application to Antibiotic ACDs



Lehar, S. M. *et al. Nature* **2015**, *527*, 323.

Application to Antibiotic ACDs



Lehar, S. M. et al. Nature 2015, 527, 323.



- Modification of tertialy and heteroaryl amines
- Increased water solubility
- Efficient synthesis for assessing new drug classes
- Appication to other therapeutic areas

A1. Preparation of Antibody-Maytansinoid Conjugates (AMCs)



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A2. Maytansinoid Catabolites Detected Inside and Outside Cells



g(A) and h(B), chromatograms obtained from the acetone extract of the ADC samples before exposure to cells (control). Metabolites were analyzed by HPLC.

A3. Quaternary-Ammonium-Linked Disulfide Conjugates



Total ion chromatograms of **17** (a) before (b) 1 h after glutathione (GSH) reduction.