

Example 5

Localization of Immunogenic Determinants (Epitopes) of  
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Using synthetic Peptides and MUC-1 specific Antibodies

MUC1 <sup>1</sup>PDTRPAPGSTAPPAHGVTSA<sup>20</sup> Gendler et al. 1988

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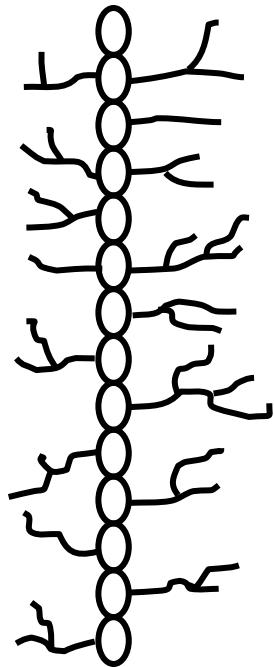
MUC5 <sup>1</sup>TTSTTSAP<sup>8</sup> Meerzaman et al. 1994

MUC6 169 amino acids Toribara et al. 1993

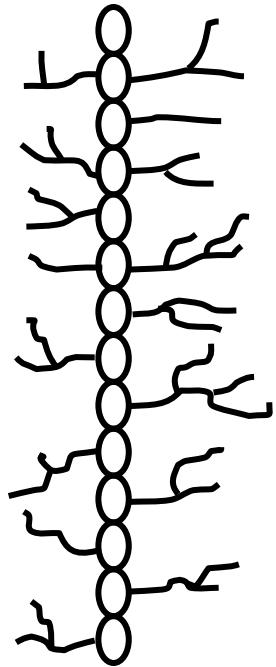
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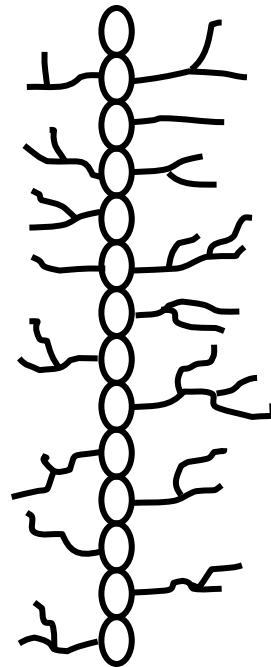
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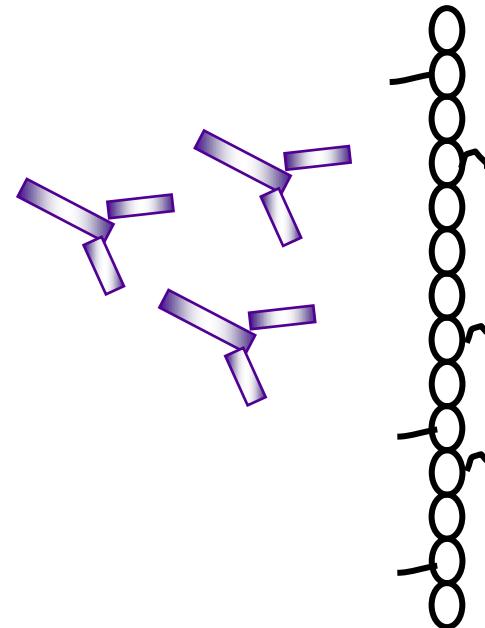
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Autoantibodies



Tumour diagnosis/immunotherapy

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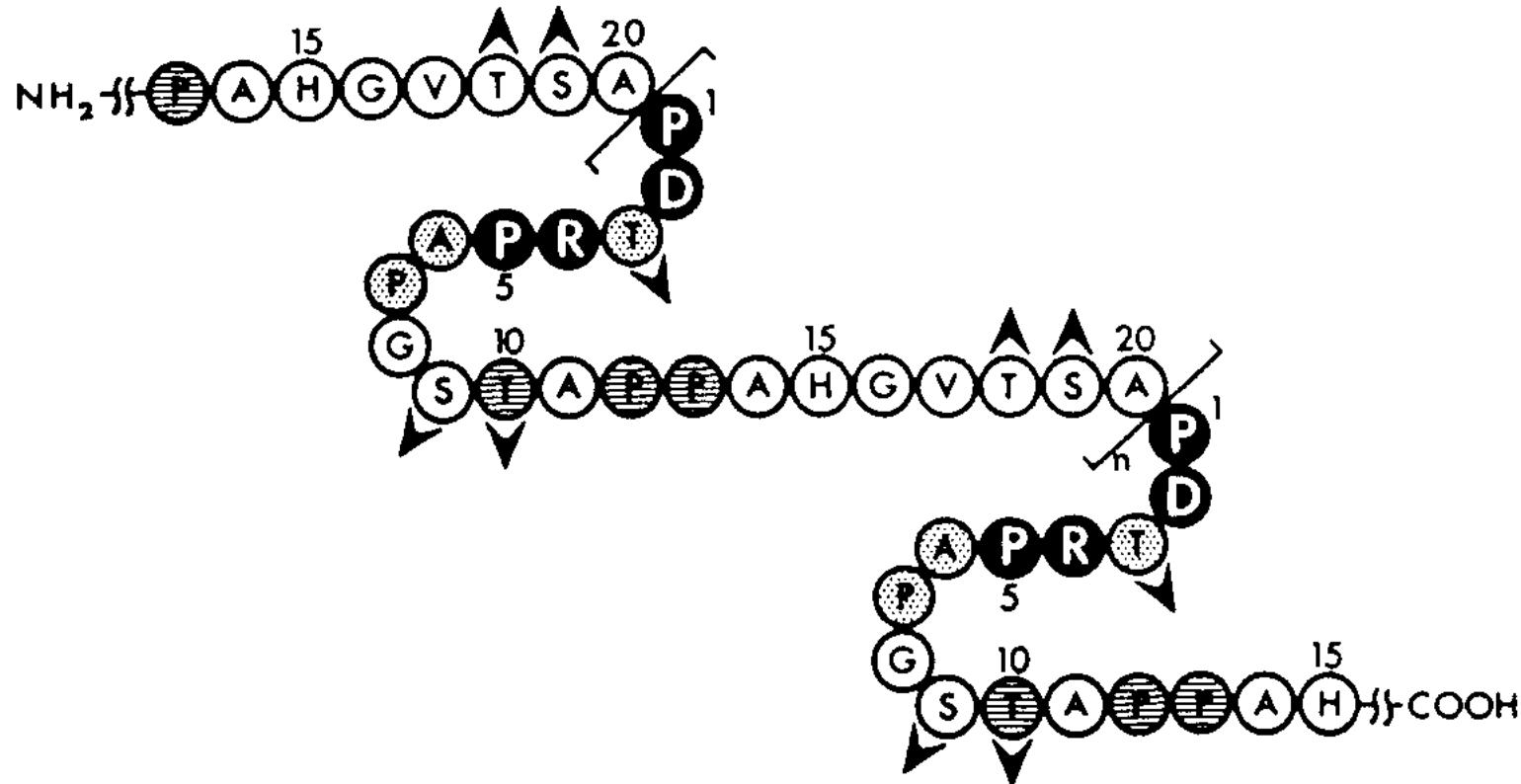


Fig. 1. Diagrammatic representation of the predicted secondary structure of the mucin polypeptide core. Turn tetrapeptides are denoted by chain reversals. The hydrophilicity values for each amino acid, averaged over a window of seven amino acid residues, are represented as follows: ( $\bullet$ )  $\geq 1.4$ ;  $1.4 > (\circ) \geq 0.7$ ;  $0.7 > (\otimes) \geq 0.5$ ; ( $\ominus$ )  $< 0.5$ . Arrows indicate potential glycosylation sites.

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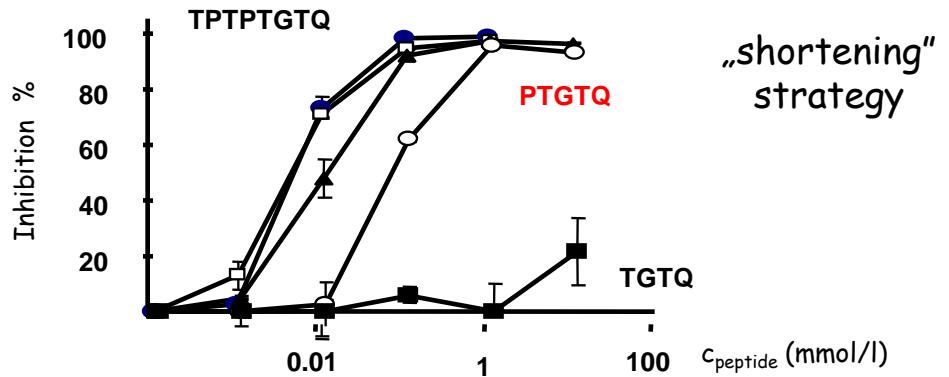
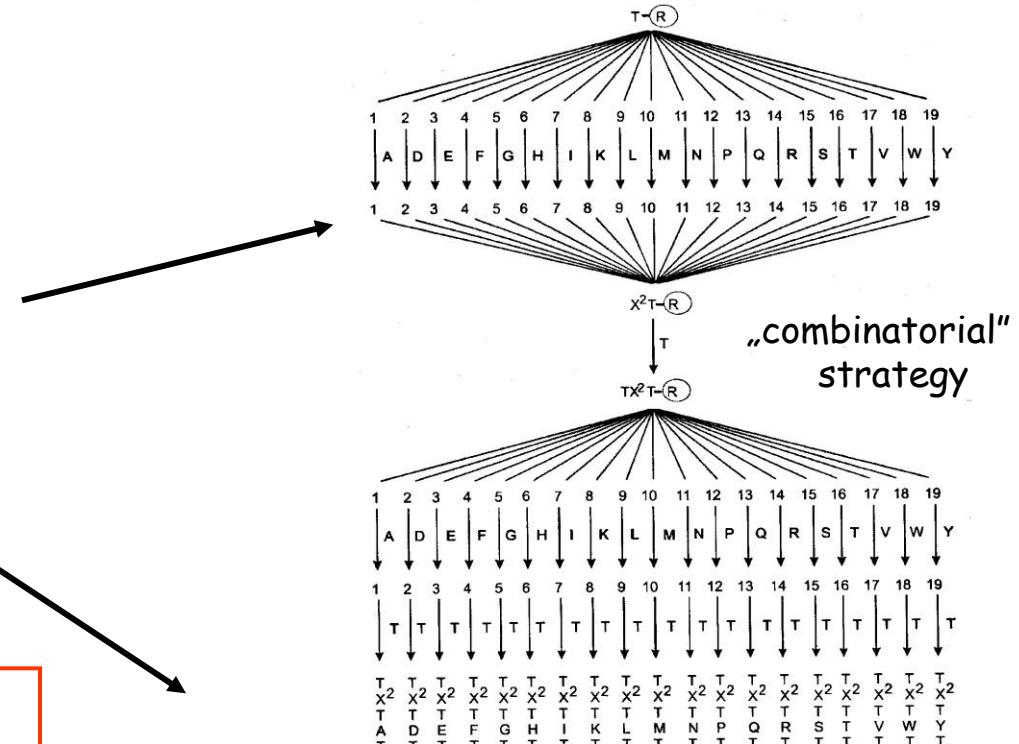
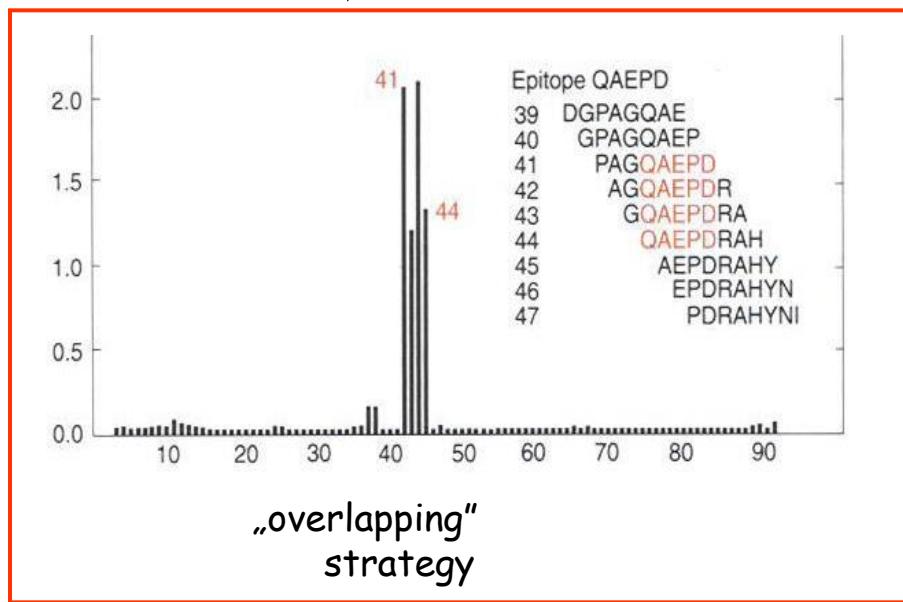
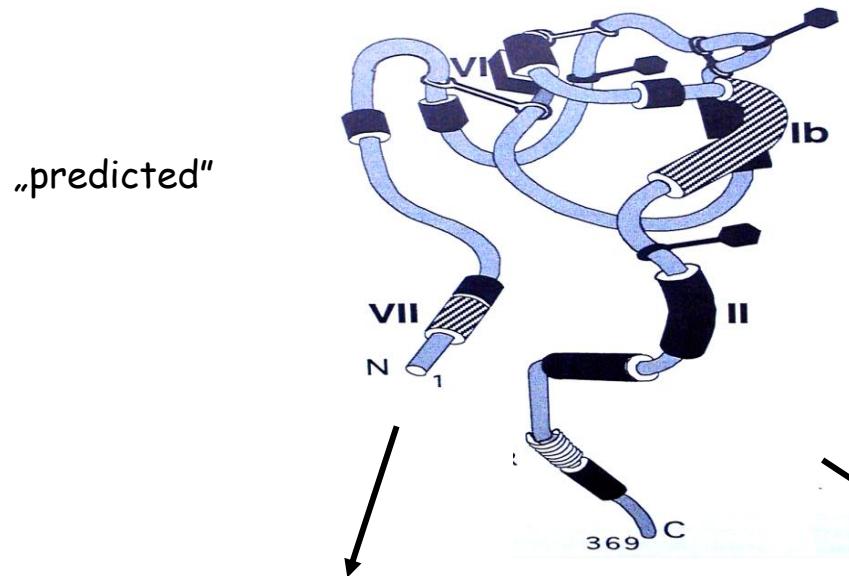
##### 3. step

Binding studies with purified MUC-1 specific antibodies on immobilized synthetic overlapping peptides.

Method:

- a. Incubation of peptides with antibody [HMFG-1].
- b. Incubation with peroxidase-labeled rabbit anti-mouse Ig.
- c. Development of colour reaction by the addition of substrate solution (azino-di-3-ethyl-benzothiazoline-sulphonate) and hydrogen peroxidase.
- d. Reading of absorbance at  $\lambda = 405$  nm.

# Identification of short sequences responsible for activity



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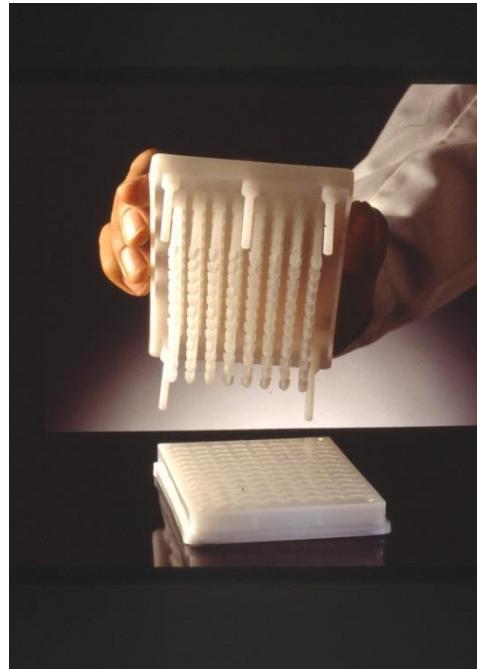
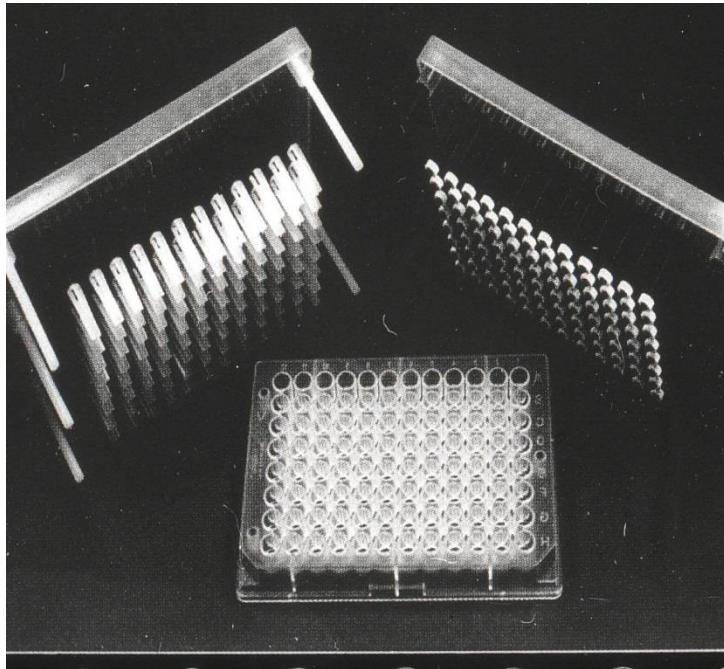
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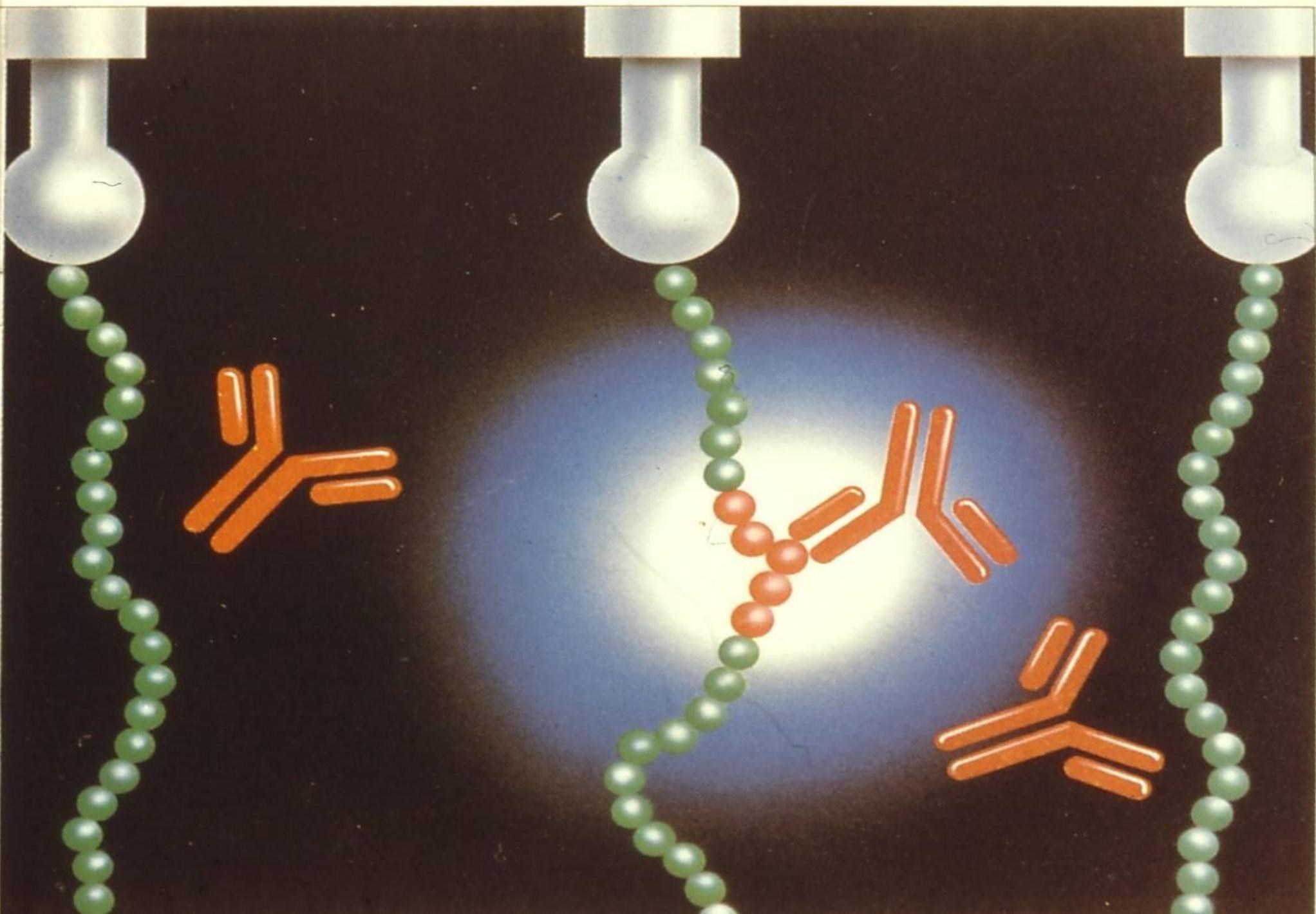
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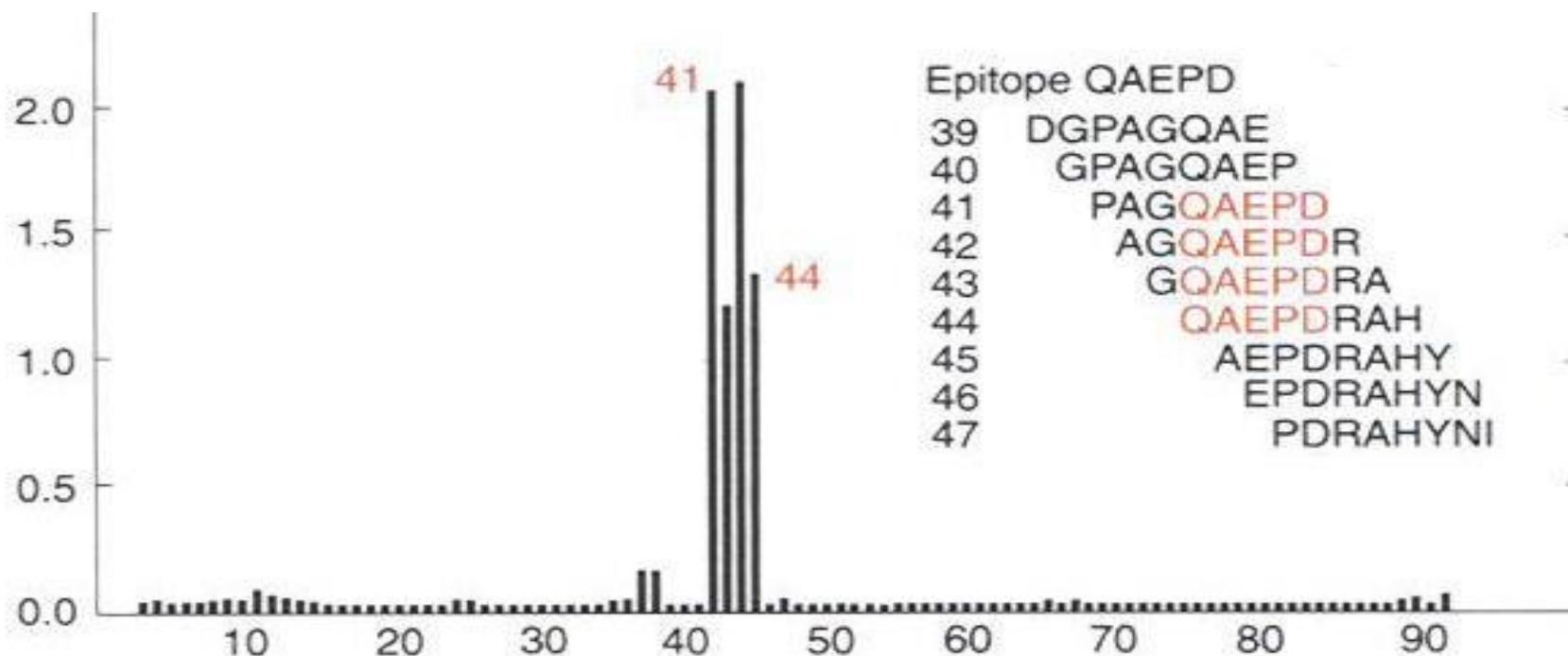
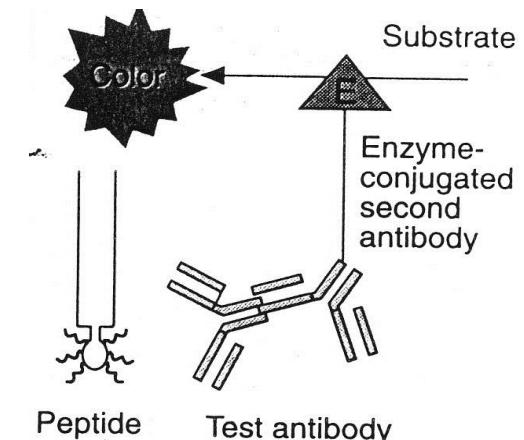
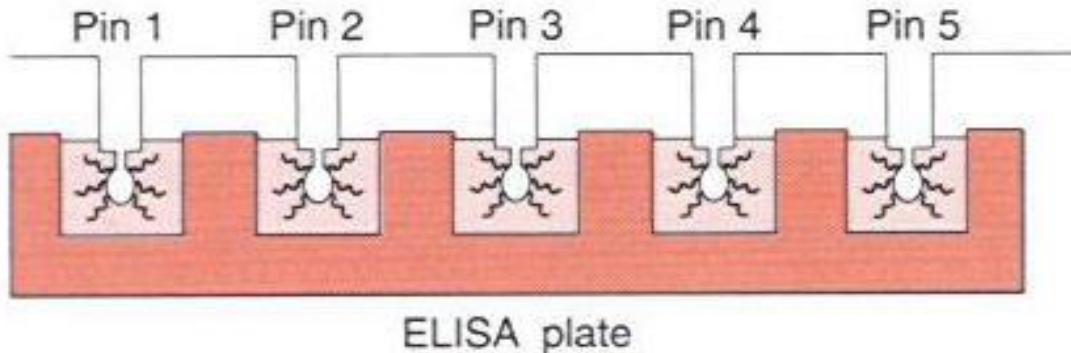
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# Binding studies: Identification of linear antibody epitopes by monoclonal antibodies



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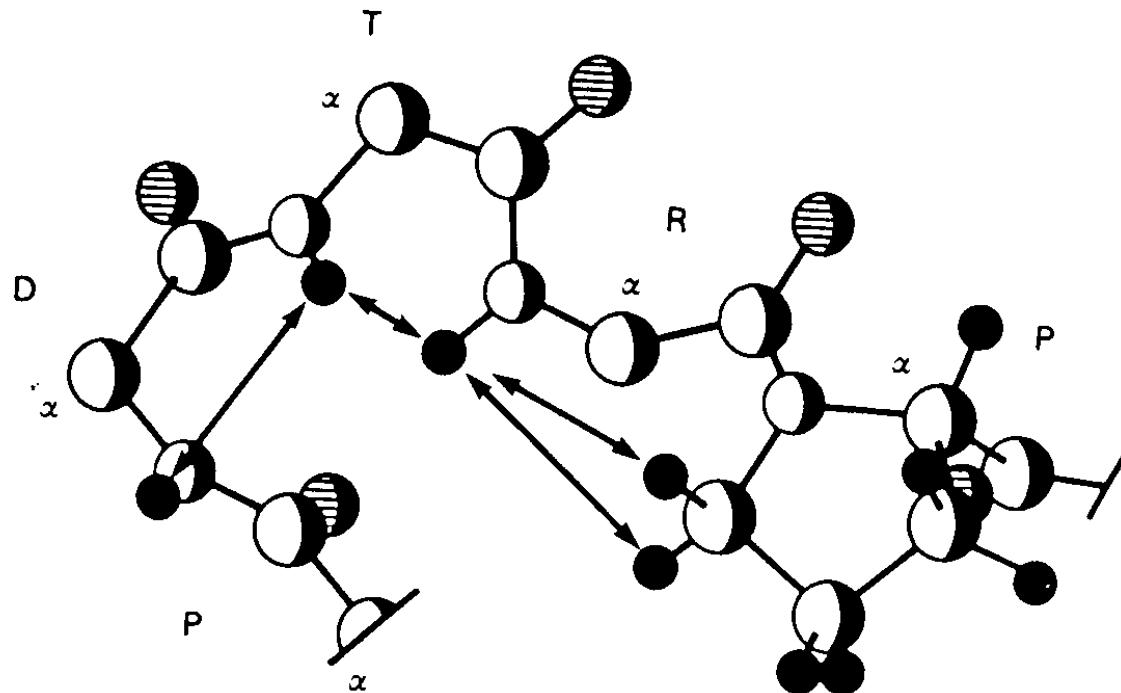
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| Peptide | <sup>1</sup> PPAHGVSTSAPDTRPAPGSTA <sup>21</sup> | Elisa ( $A_{405}$ ) |                          |
|---------|--|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 1       | PPAHGVS  | 0.00                |                          |
| 2       | PAHGVST  | 0.08                |                          |
| 3       | AHGVSTS  | 0.04                |                          |
| 4       | HGVSTSA  | 0.03                |                          |
| 5       | GVSTSAP  | 0.00                |                          |
| 6       | VSTSAPD  | 0.02                |                          |
| 7       | STSAPDT  | 0.01                |                          |
| 8       | <u>TSA</u> <u>PDTR</u>                           | 0.73                |                          |
| 9       | <u>SAPDTR</u> P                                  | 0.94                |                          |
| 10      | <u>APDTR</u> PA                                  | 1.09                | Observation:             |
| 11      | <u>PDTR</u> PAP                                  | 0.63                |                          |
| 12      | DTRPAPG  | 0.02                | Mucin specific MoAb,     |
| 13      | TRPAPGS  | 0.08                | HMFG-1 binds to          |
| 14      | RPAPGST  | 0.03                | heptapeptides containing |
| 15      | PAPGSTA  | 0.03                | PDTR sequence            |
| 16      | APGSTAP  | 0.02                |                          |

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Determination of 3D structure of epitope region containing PDTR sequence.  
Methods: 2D NMR ( $^1\text{H}$  HOHAHA)



Reference:

M.R. Price, F. Hudecz et al. Mol. Immunol. 62: 795 (1990)  
S.J.B. Tendler Biochem. J. 267: 733 (1990)

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### Localization of Immunogenic Determinants (Epitopes) of human epithelial mucin glycoprotein, MUC-2 Using synthetic Peptides and MUC-2 specific Antibodies

MUC-2: high molecular mass, MUC-2 gene related glycoprotein,  
associated with human colon cancer,  
primary structure is known

Antibodies: mouse monoclonal antibodies recognizing MUC-2 glycoprotein

Interaction: Antibody - antigen interactions

Aim: Identification of epitopes recognized by anti-MUC-2 antibodies

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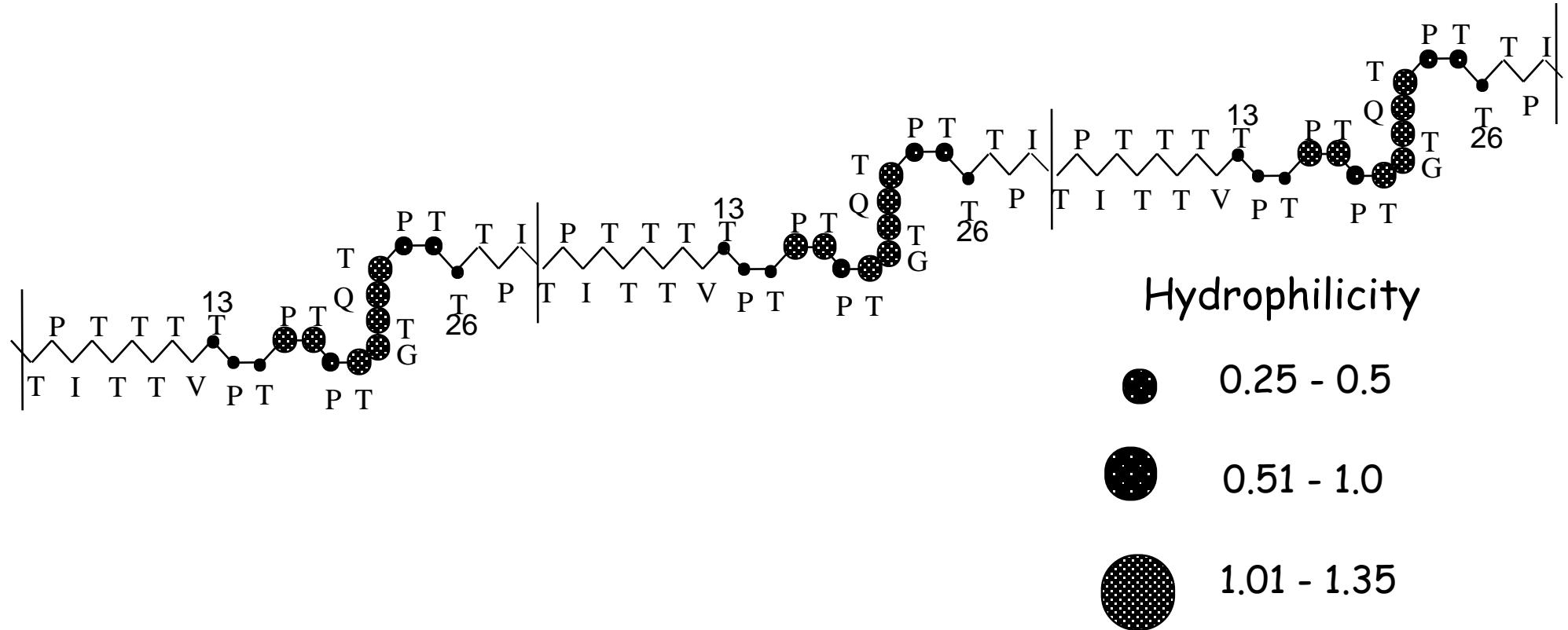
1. step Analysis of the primary structure of MUC-1 glycoprotein.

Method: Prediction of B-cell epitopes using various algorithms searching for  
a. hydrophilic region and  
b.  $\beta$ -turn secondary structure

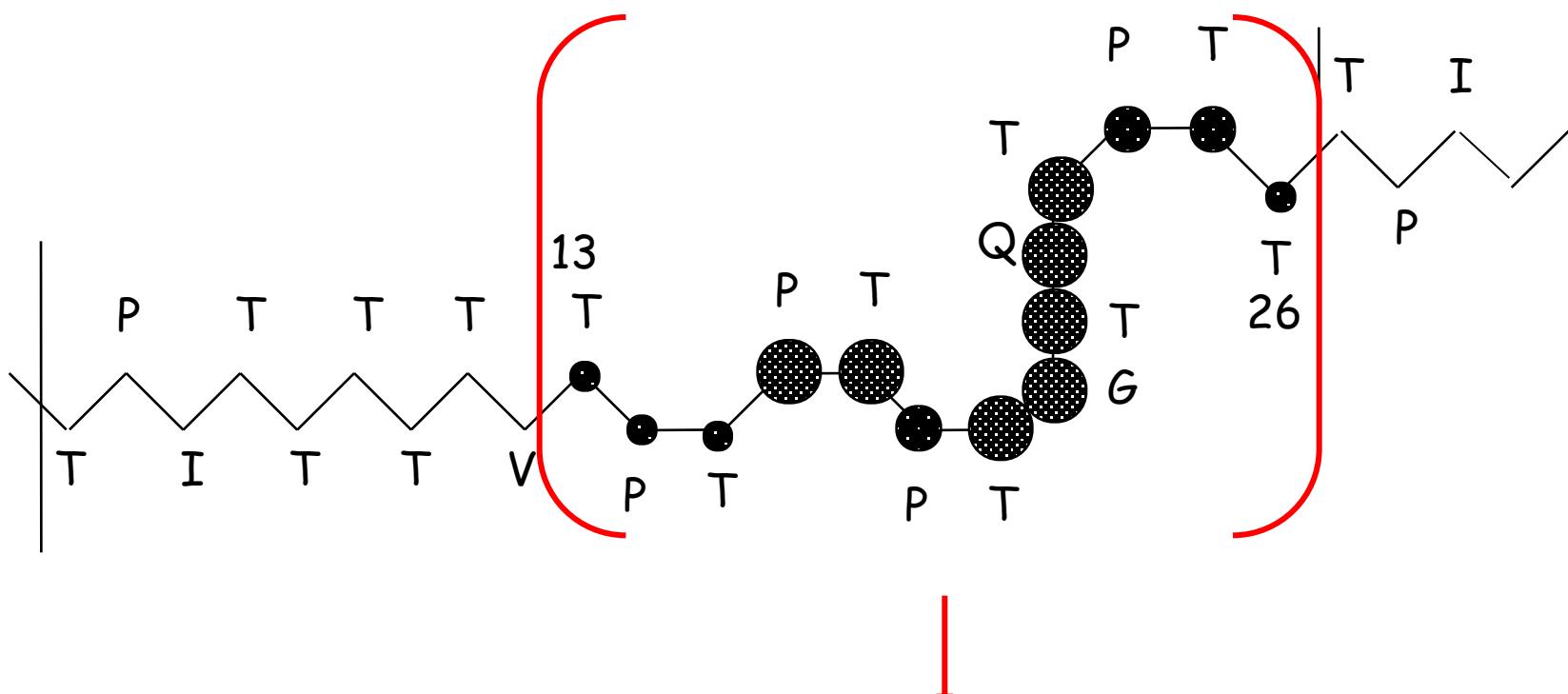
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# Predicted secondary structure of MUC2



# Predicted secondary structure of MUC2 repeat motif



predicted antibody epitope region

# MUC2 protein specific monoclonal antibodies MAb 994 and MAb 996

Immunogen: KLH-[K<sup>12</sup>VTPPTPTGTQTPT<sup>25</sup>]

Immunohistochemistry:  
Recognition of human colon tumour tissue.

Mouse IgG1

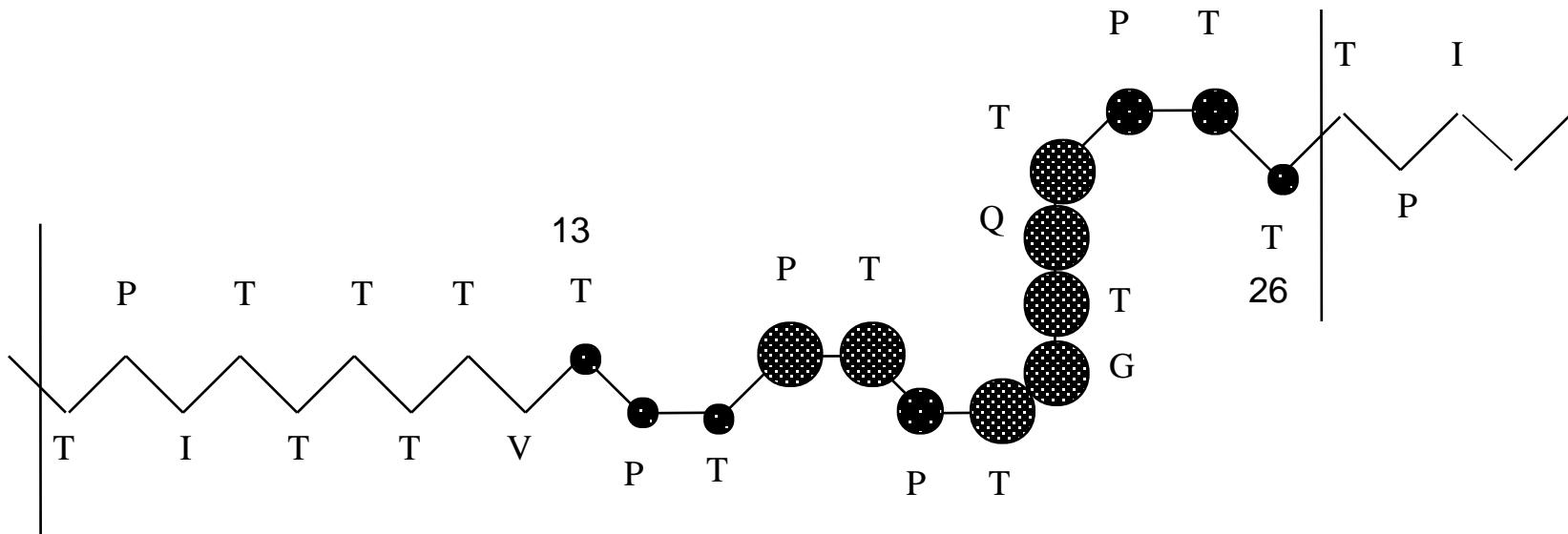
*Durrant et al. Eur. J. Cancer (1994)*

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Identification of MAbs 994 epitope

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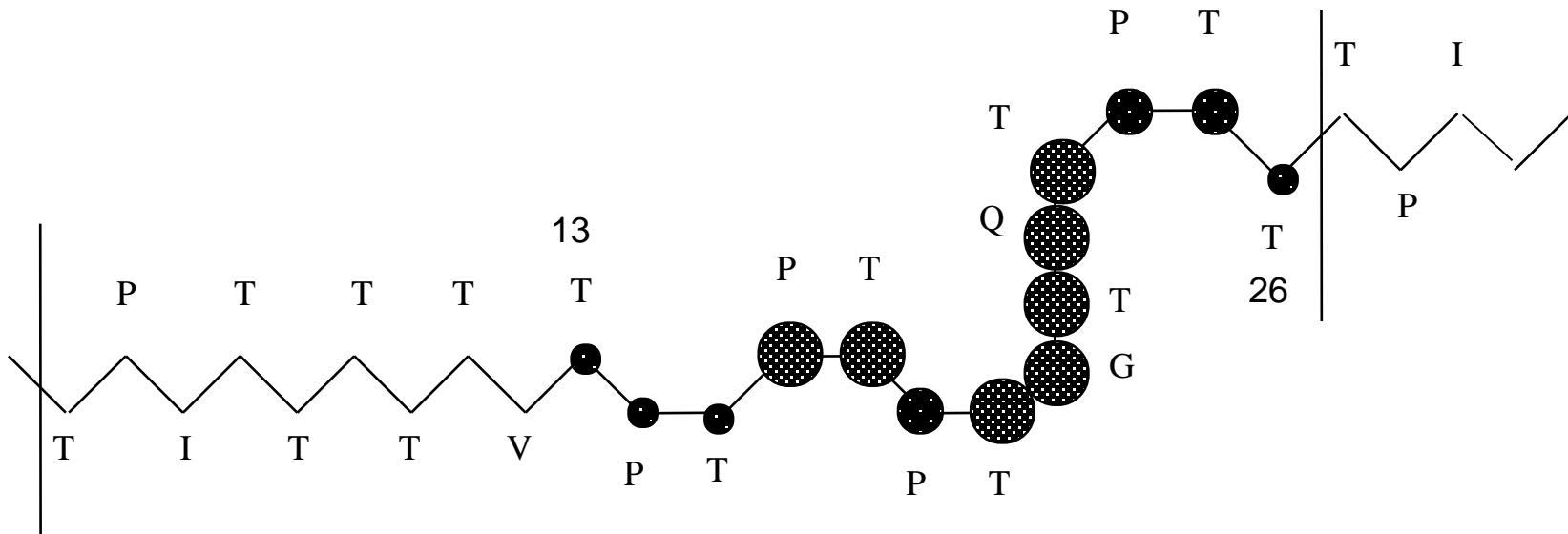


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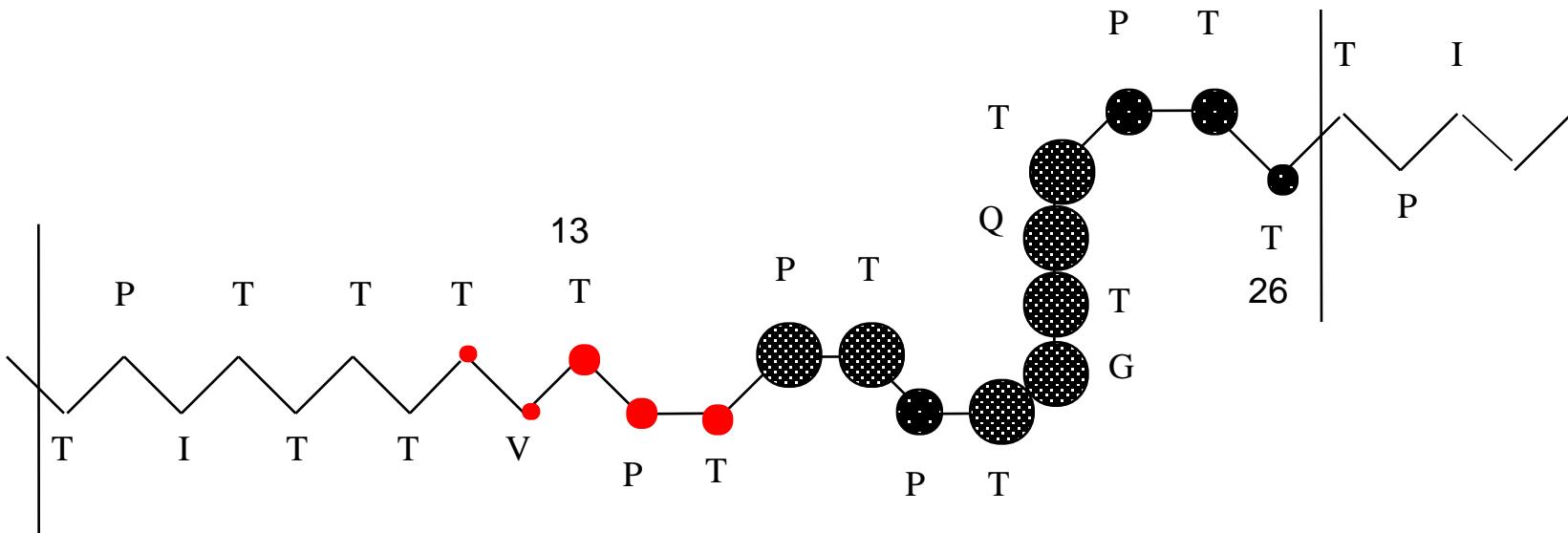


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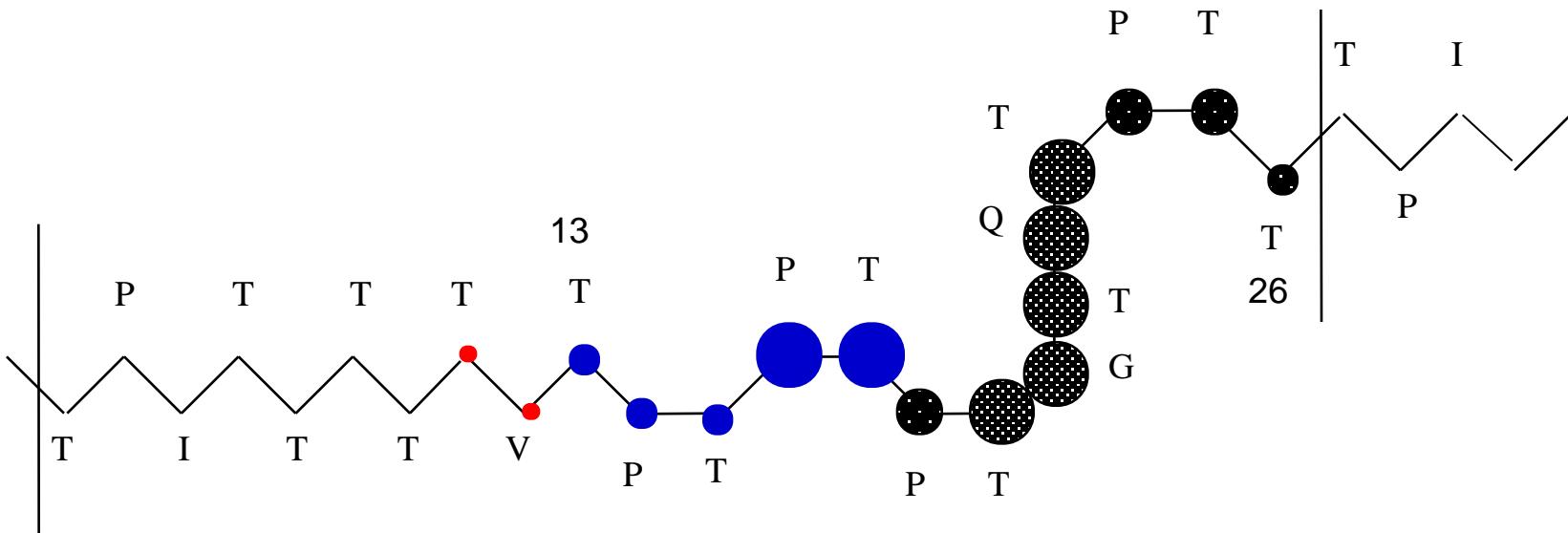
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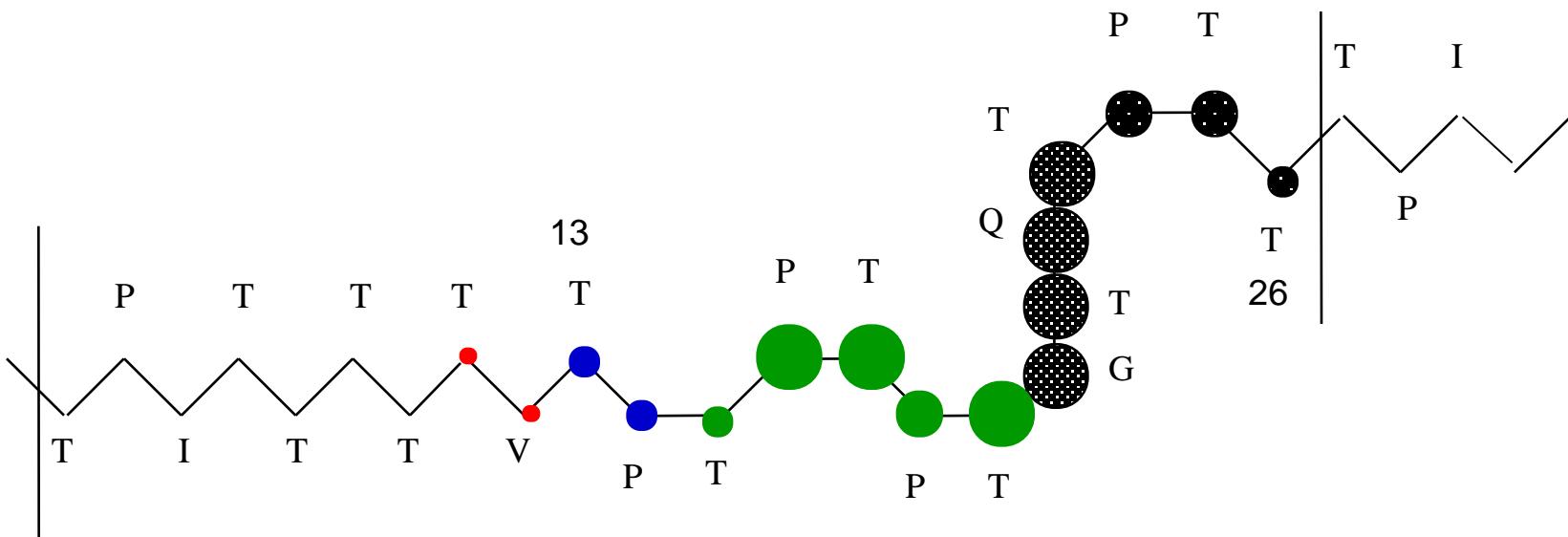
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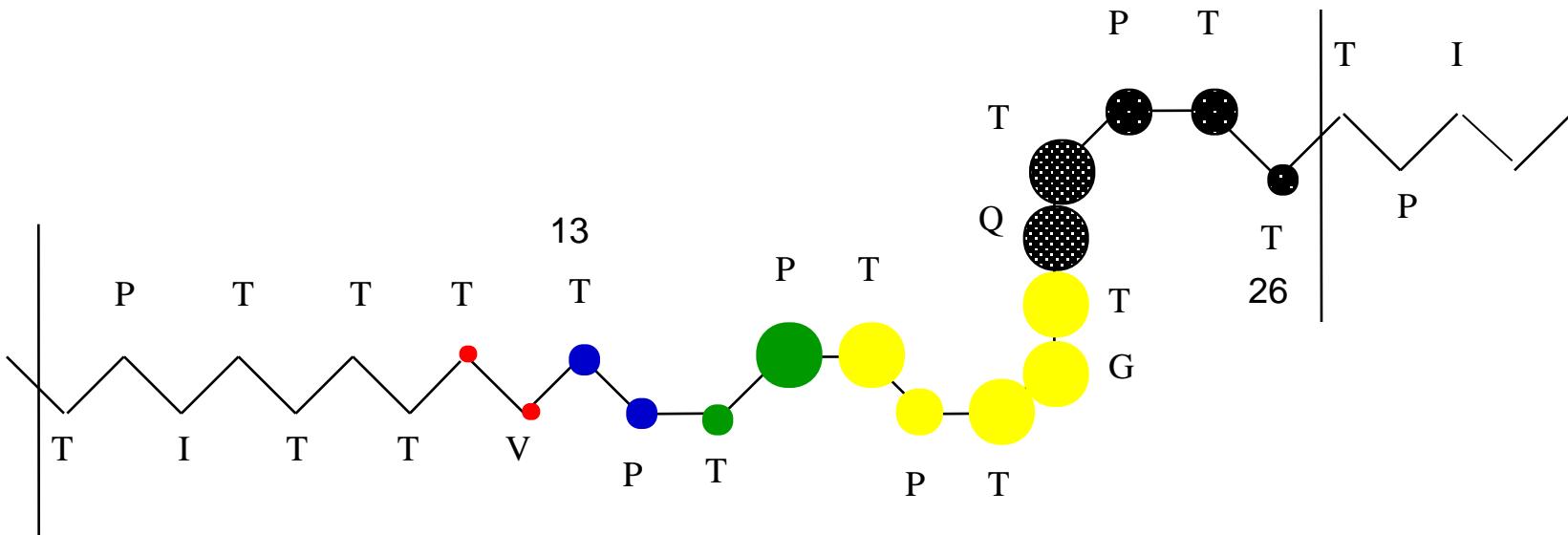


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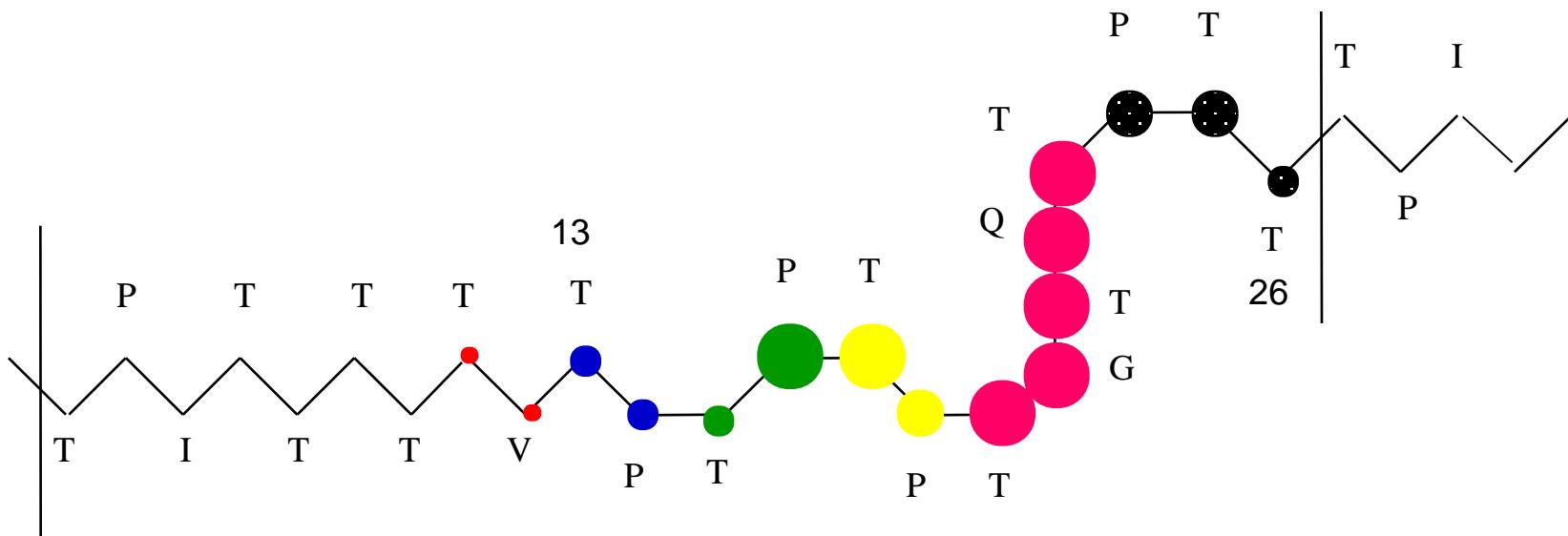
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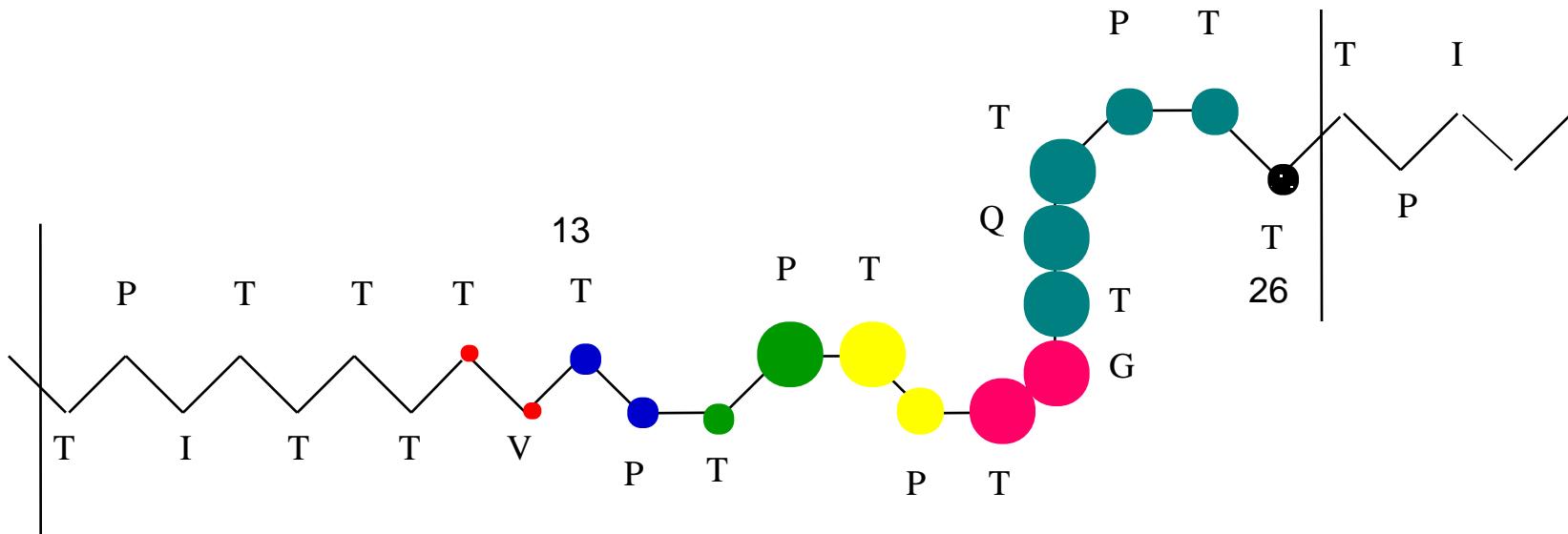


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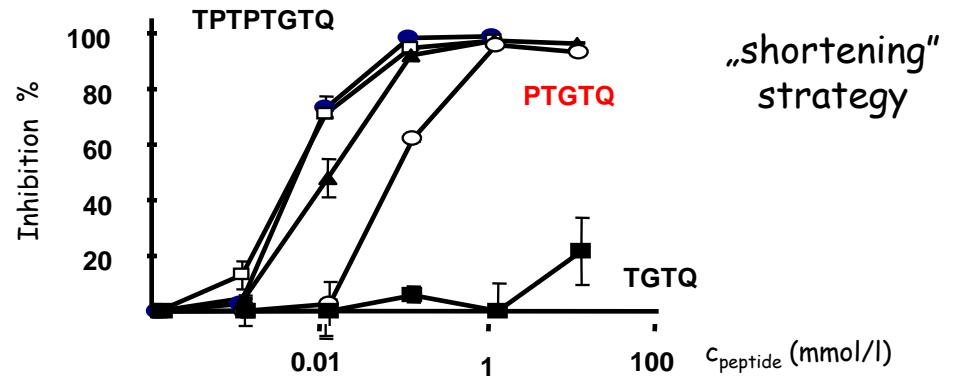
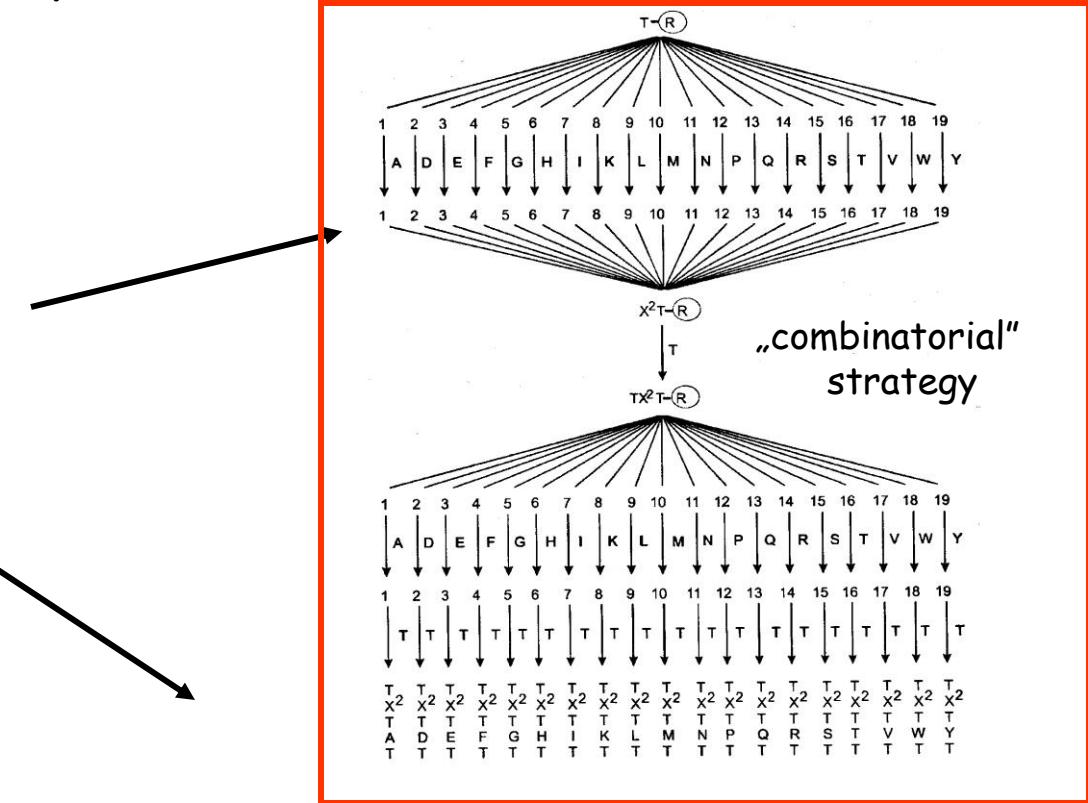
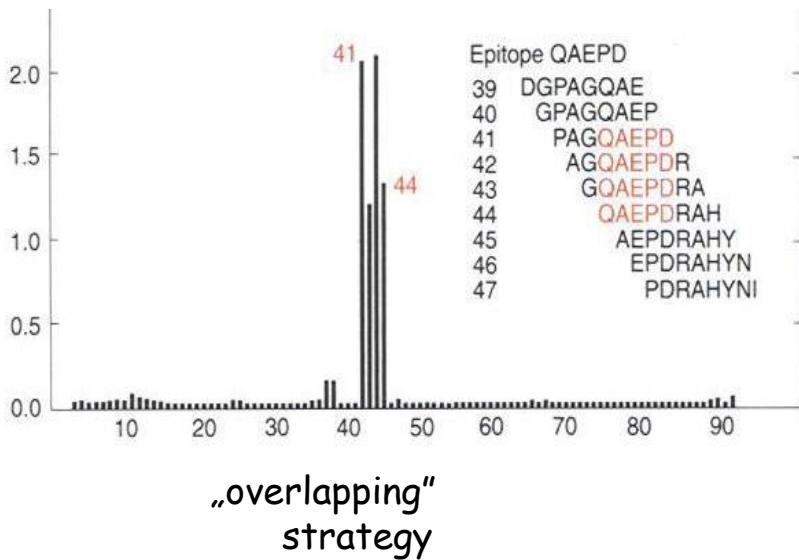
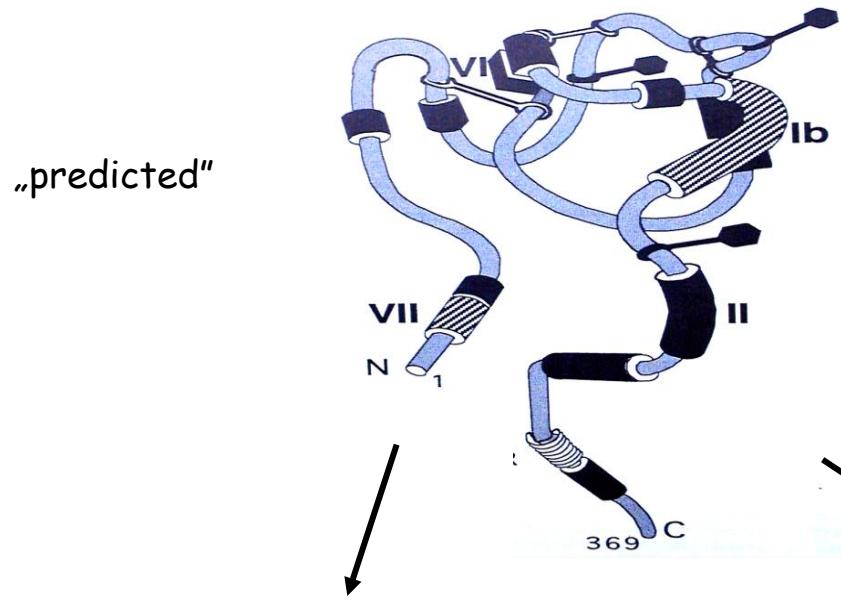
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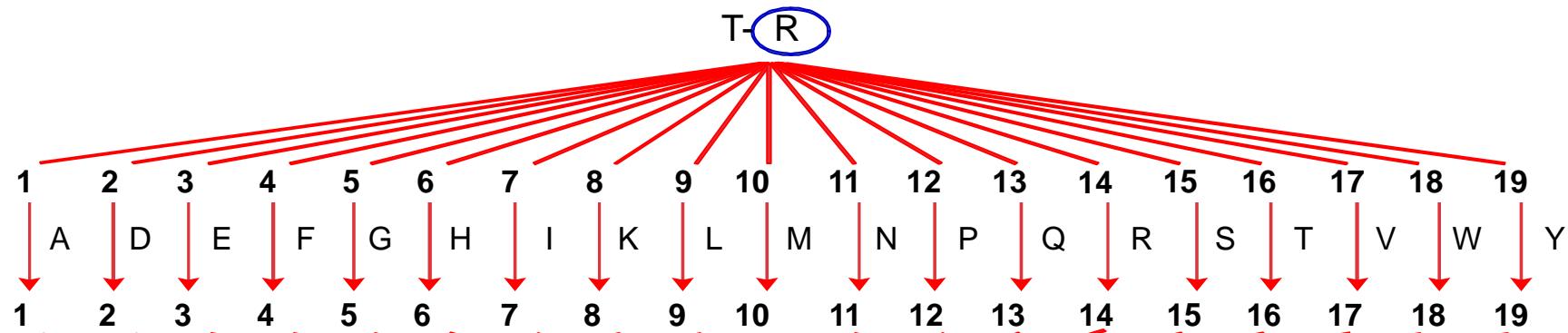
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- Method:
- a. Synthesis and characterization of combinatorial peptide library
  - b. Binding assay with epitope specific monoclonal antibody

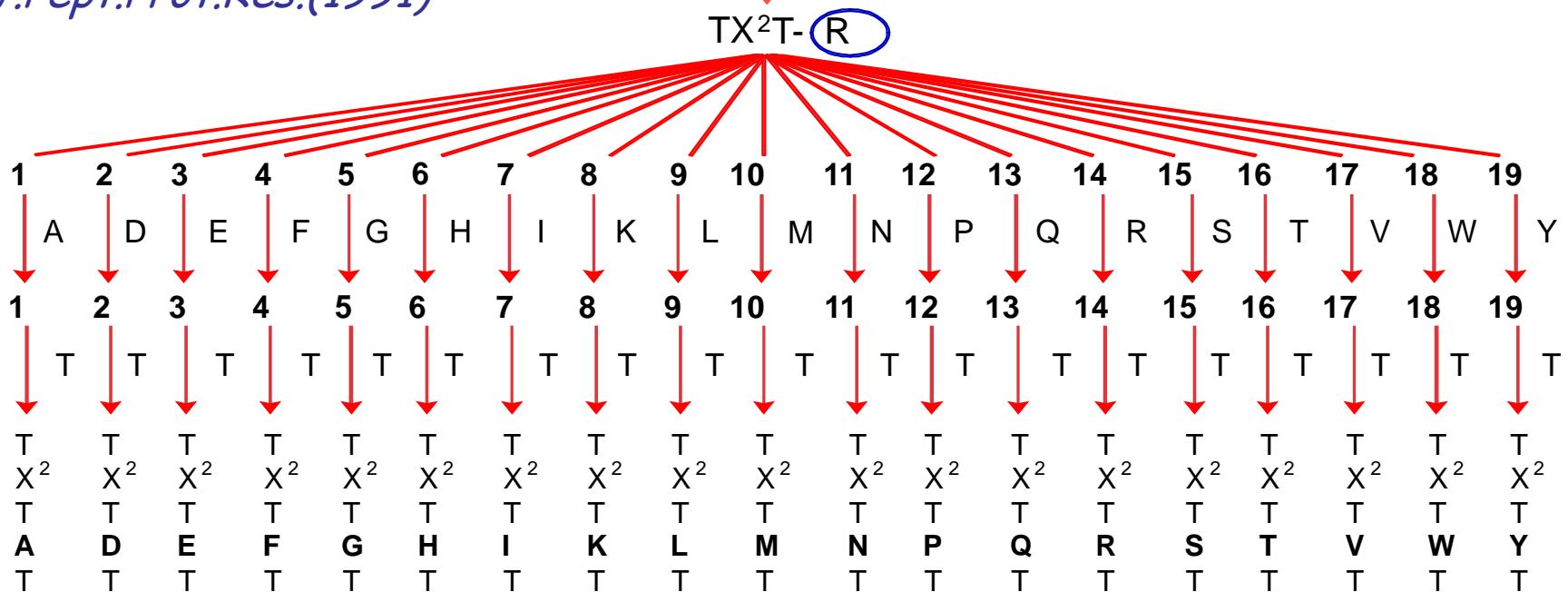
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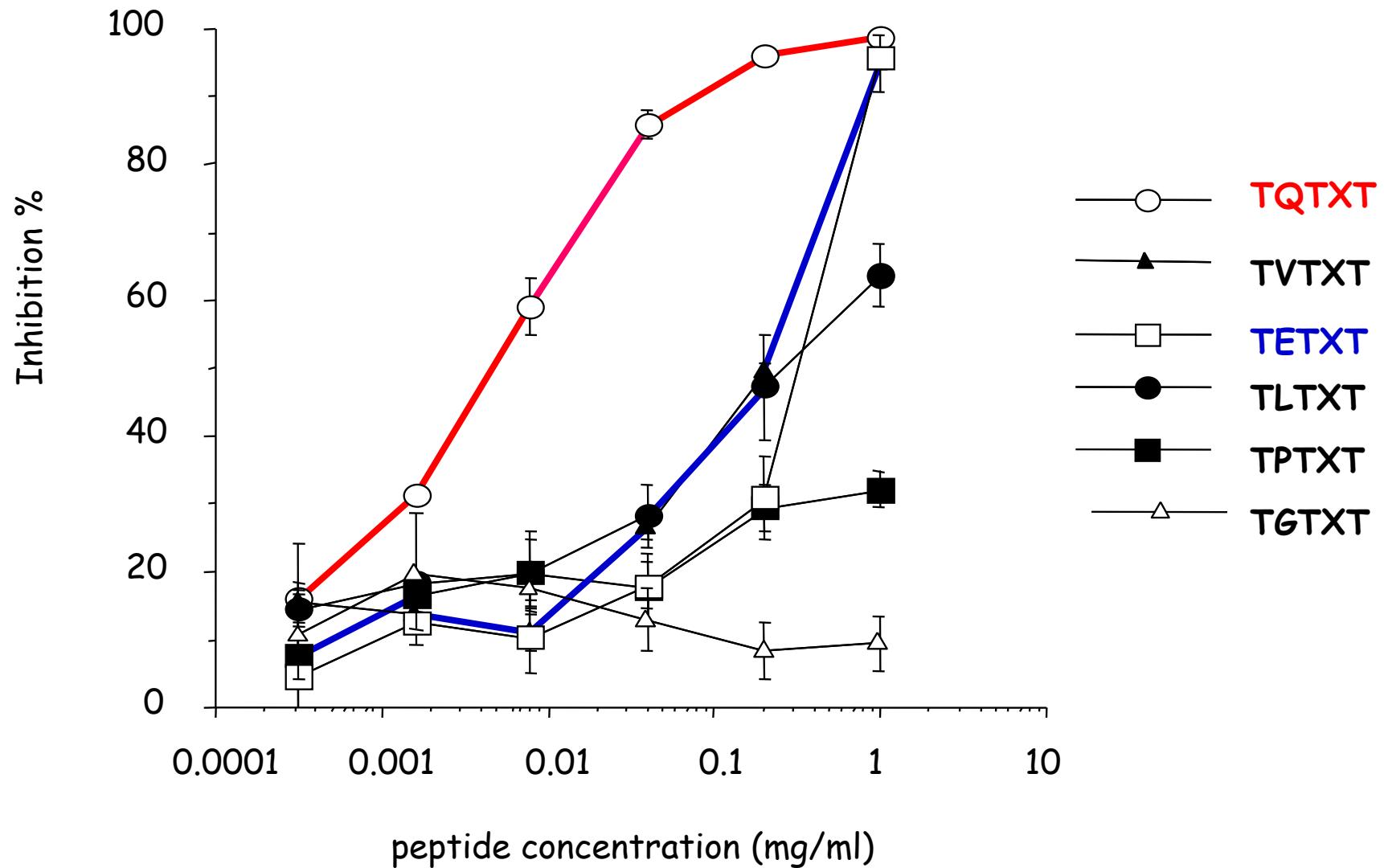
# Combinatorial synthesis of TX<sup>1</sup>TX<sup>2</sup>T peptide library



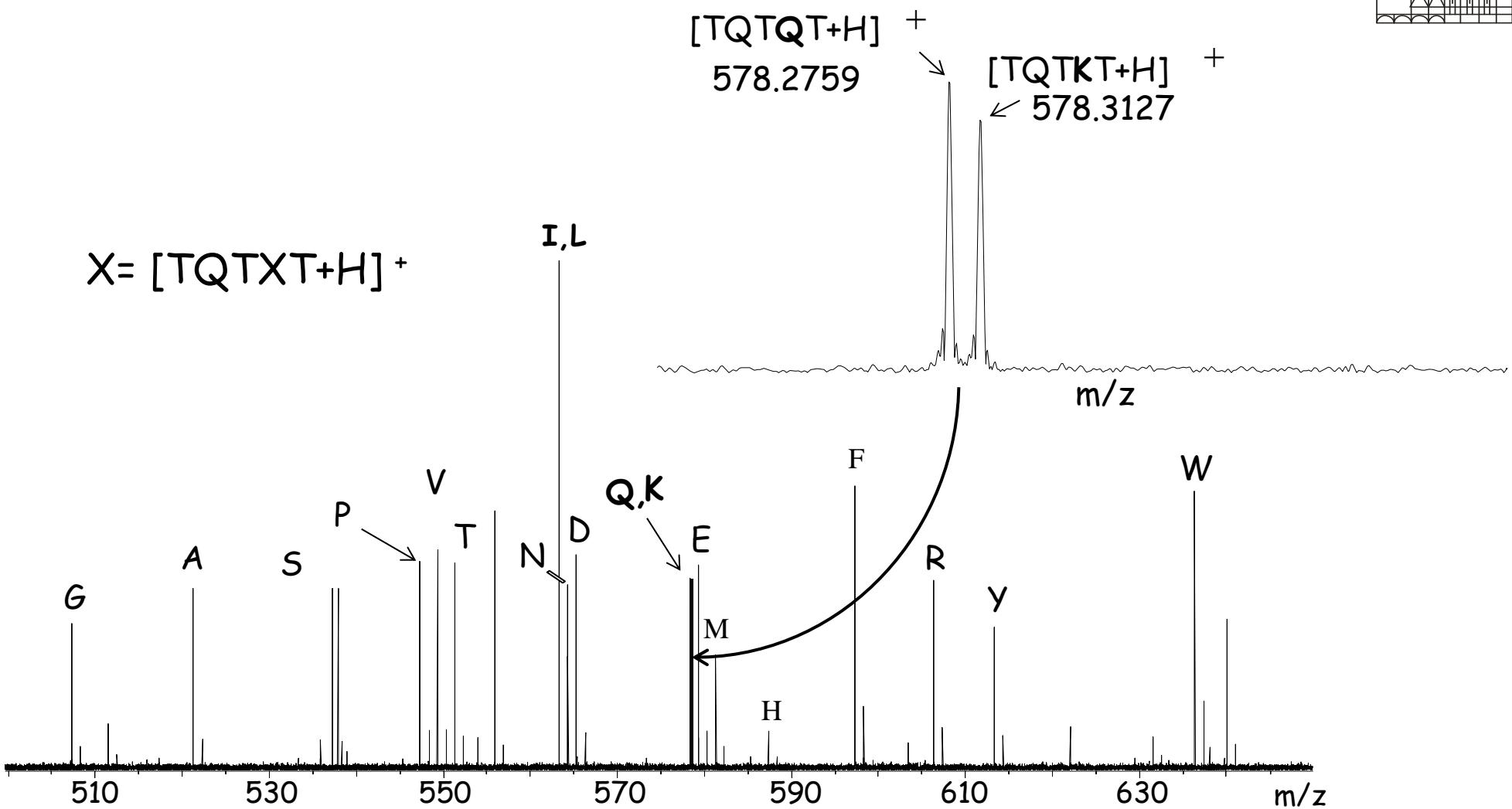
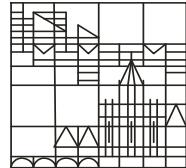
*Furka et al.  
Int. J. Pept. Prot. Res. (1991)*



# Binding of Mab 994 to TX<sup>1</sup>TX<sup>2</sup>T peptide mixtures

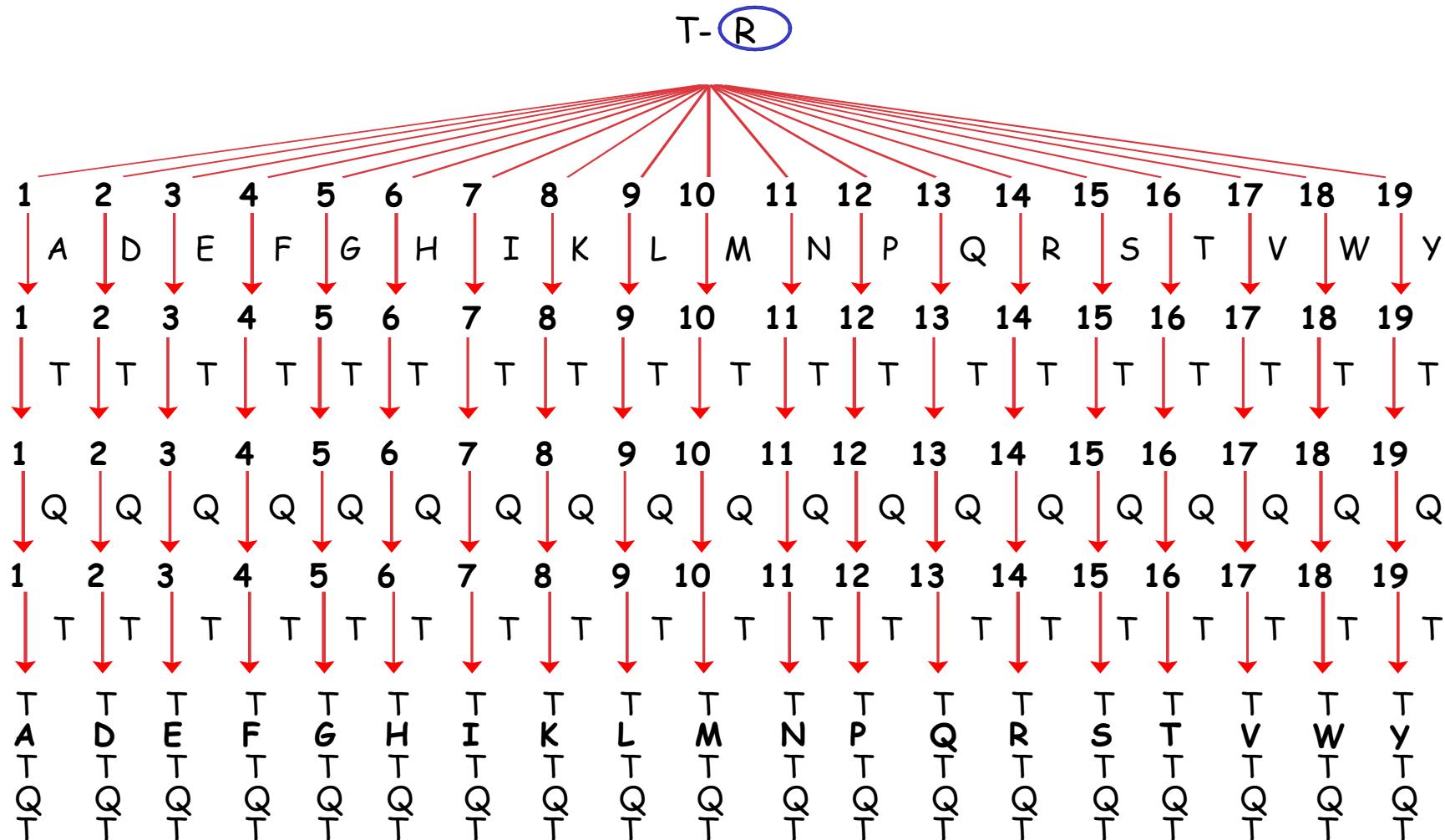


# ESI-FTICR spectrum of TQTX<sup>2</sup>T peptide library

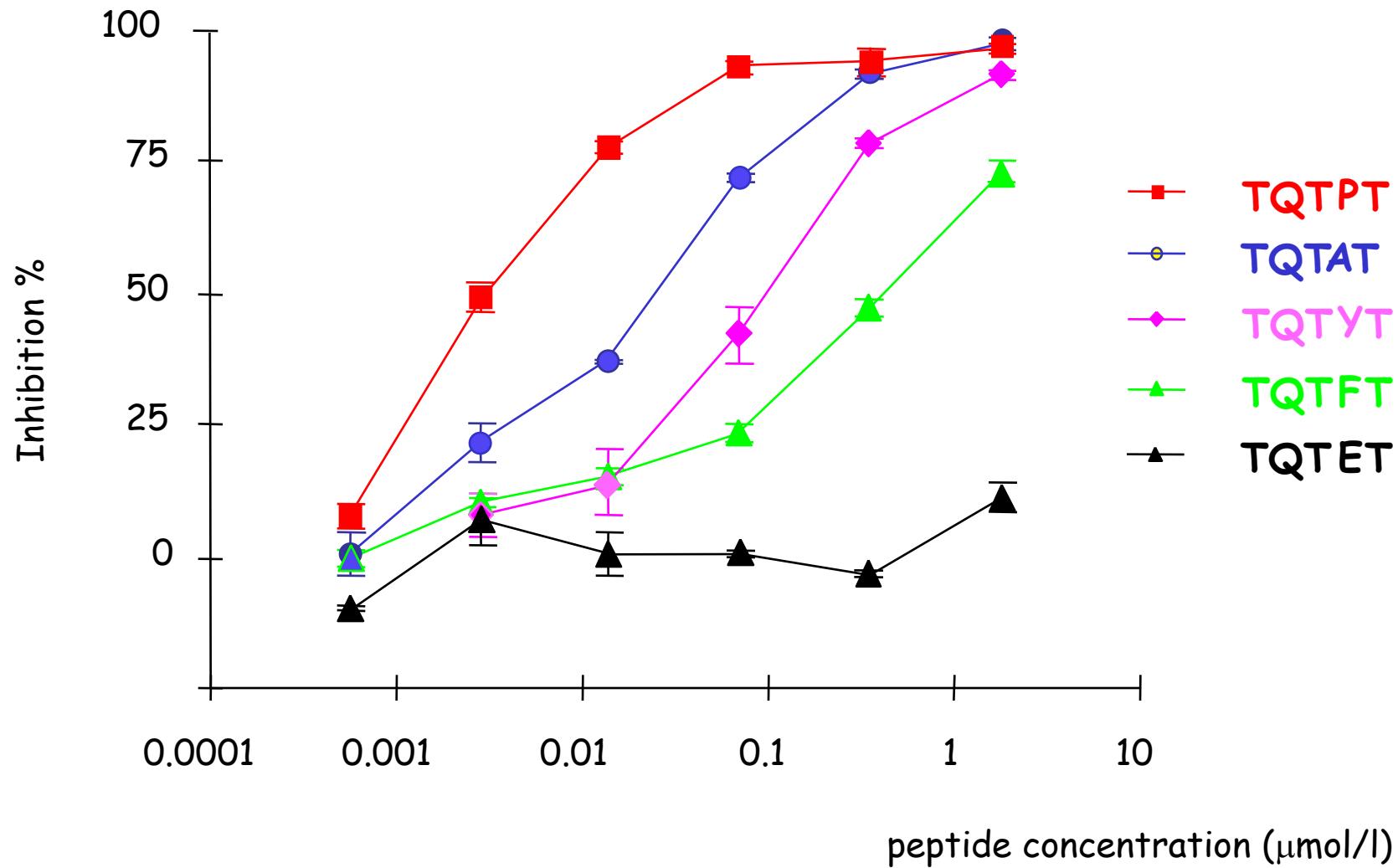


Windberg et al. Rapid Comm. Mass Spectrometry (2003)

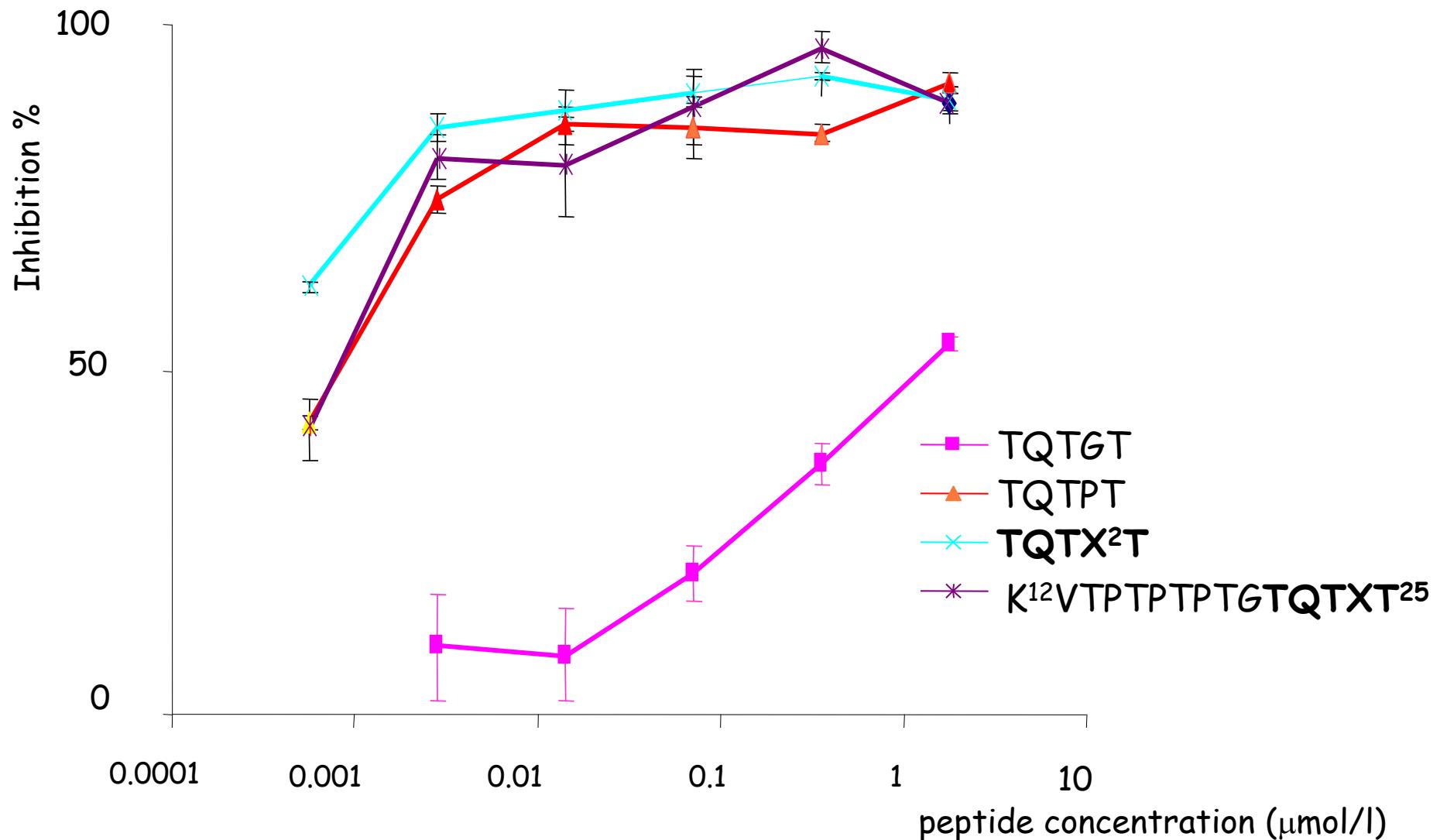
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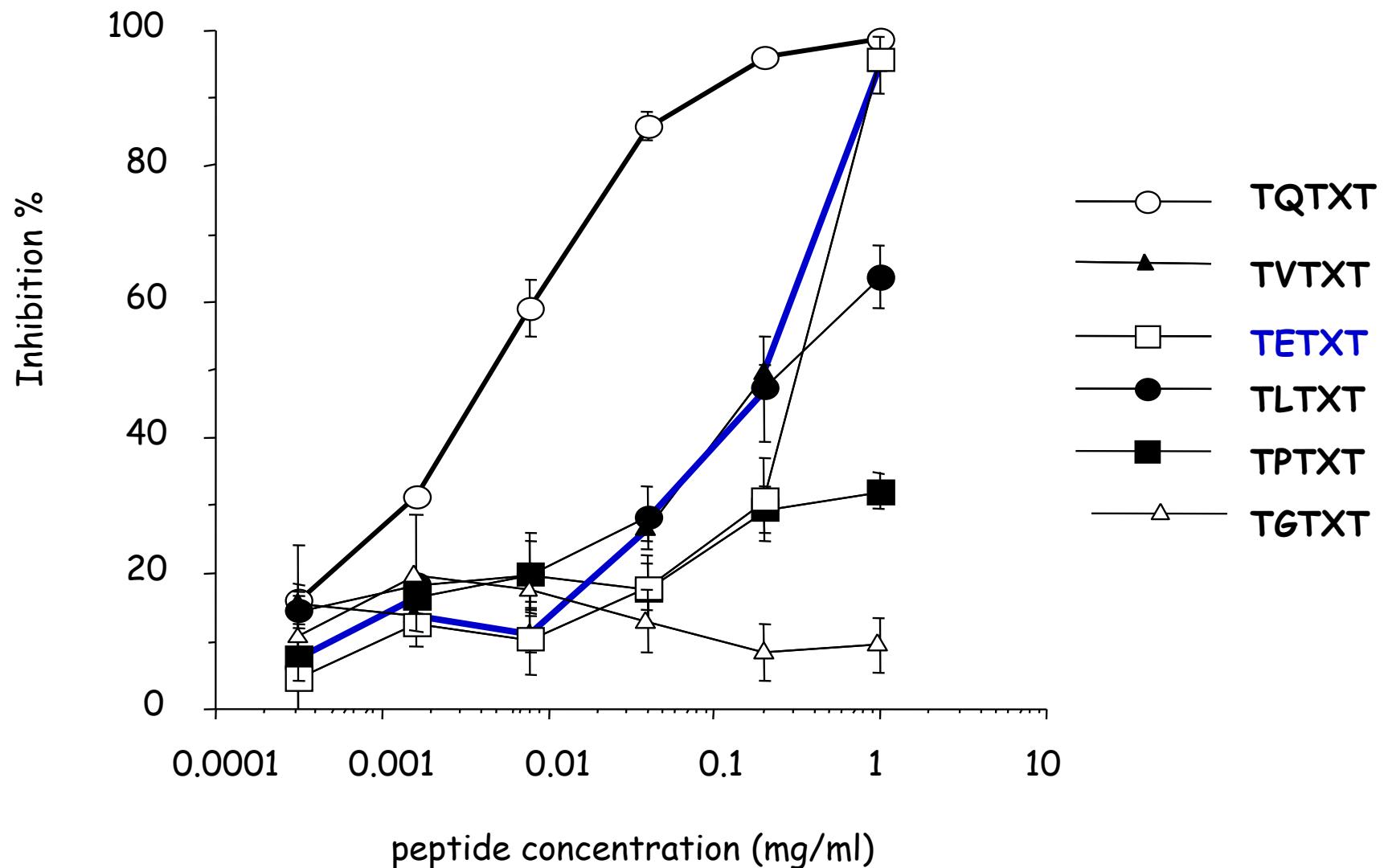
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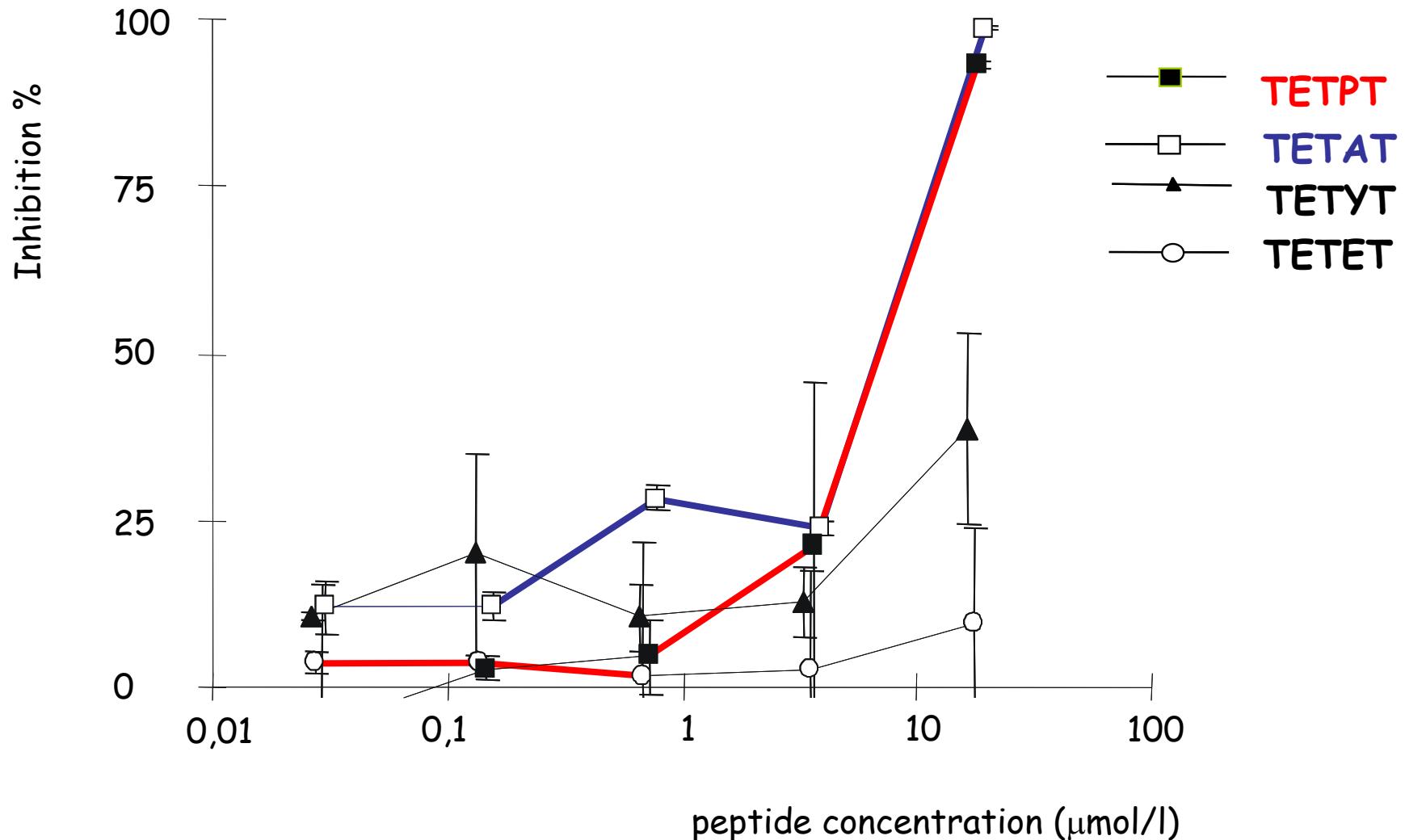
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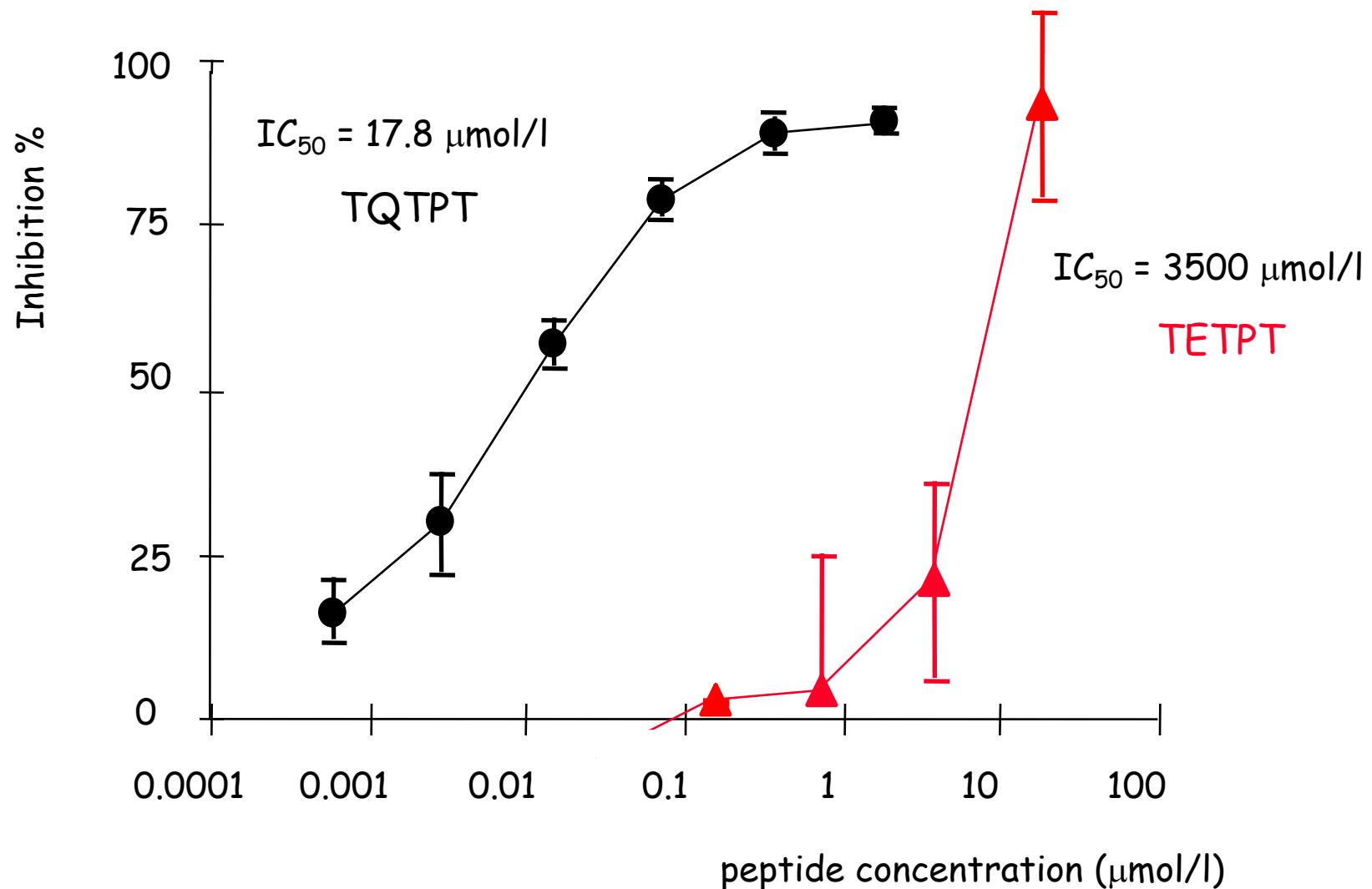
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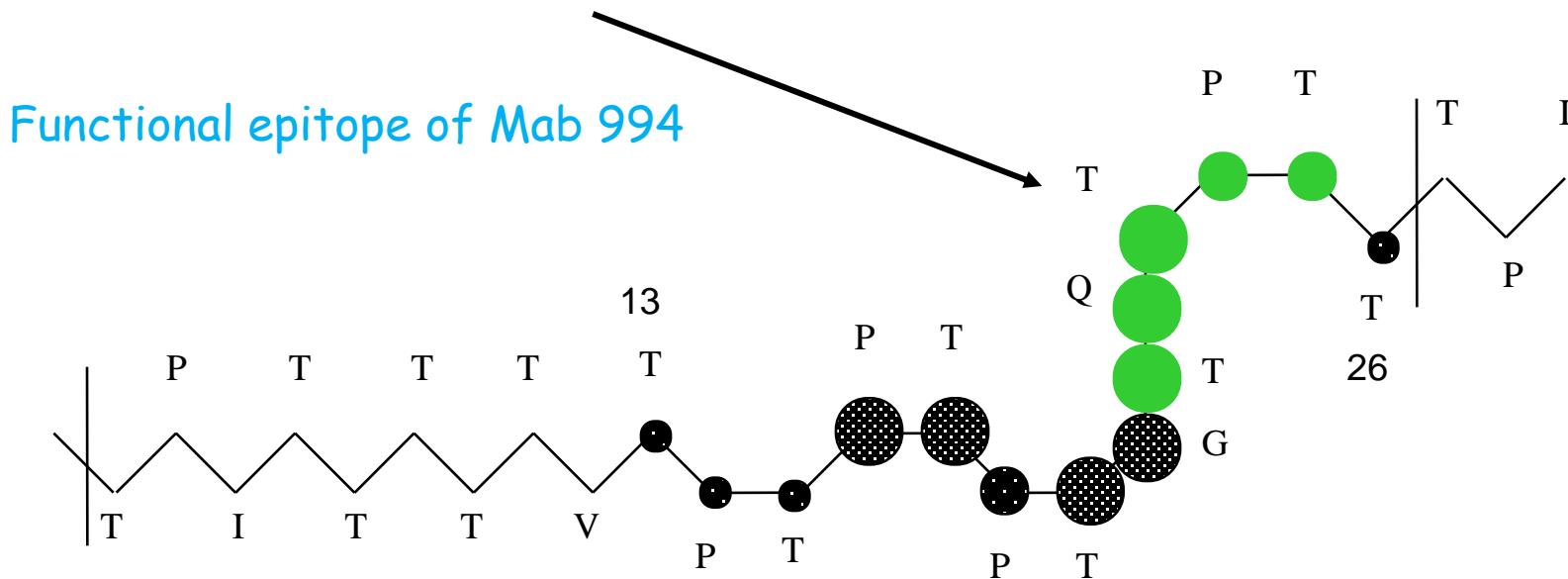
# Comparison of Mab 994 binding to TQTPPT and TETXT peptides



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ELISA: TQTPT > TQTAT > TQTYT > TQTWT > TQTFT > TQTST  
( $IC_{50}$  : 3.4 < 14.2 < 39.8 < 70.0 < 88.0 < 208  $\mu\text{mol/l}$ )



Windberg et al. J. Peptide Science (2004)

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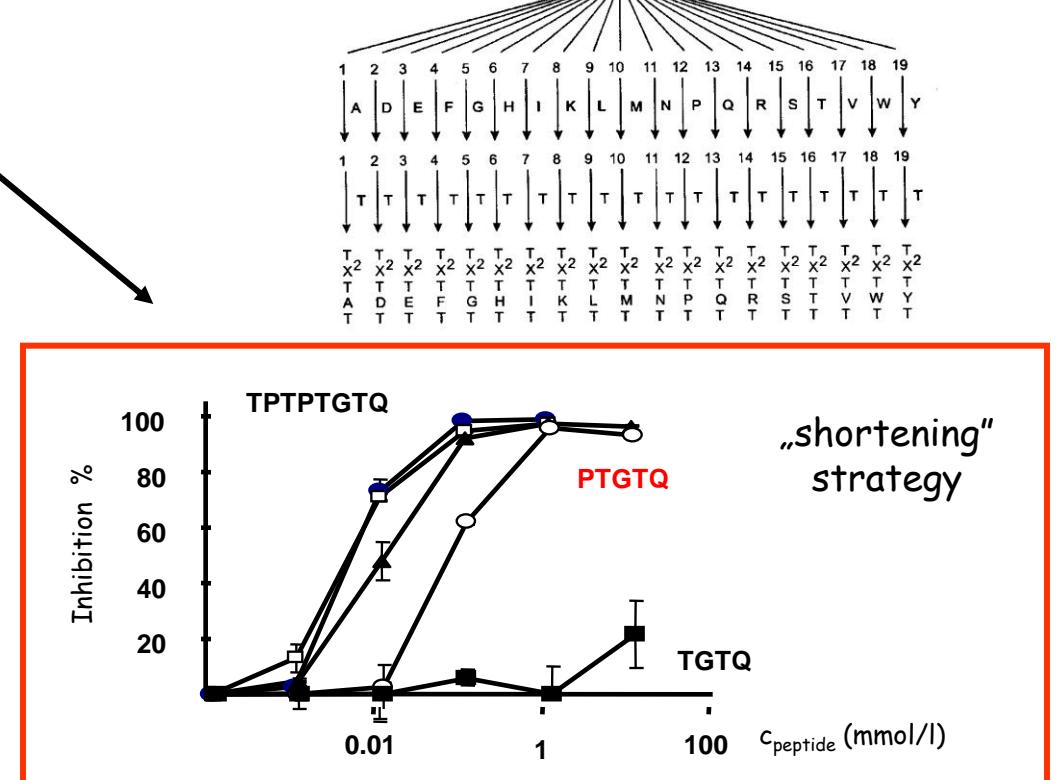
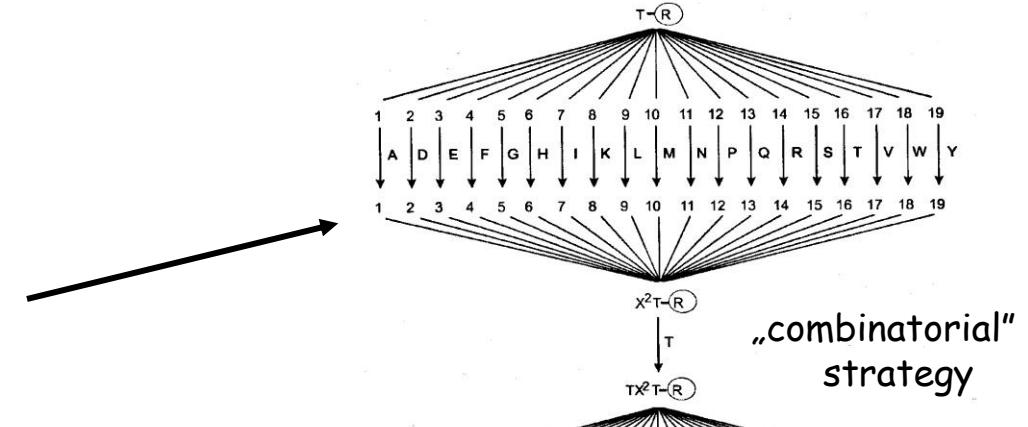
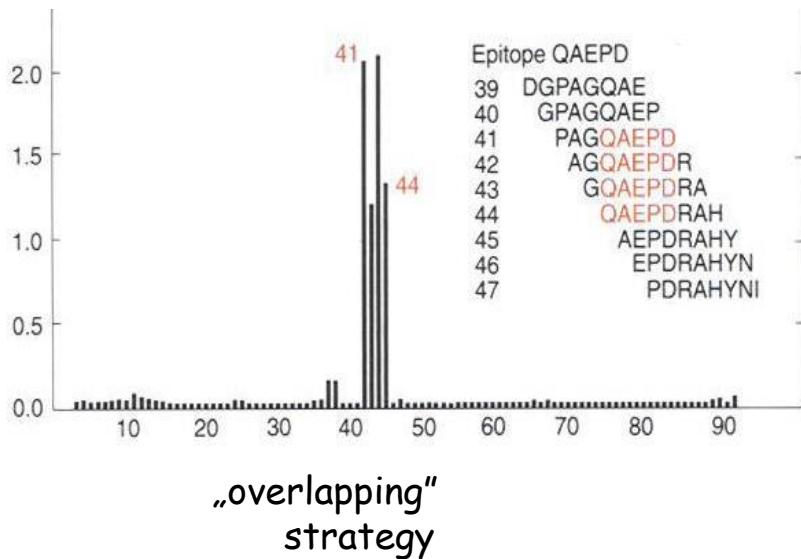
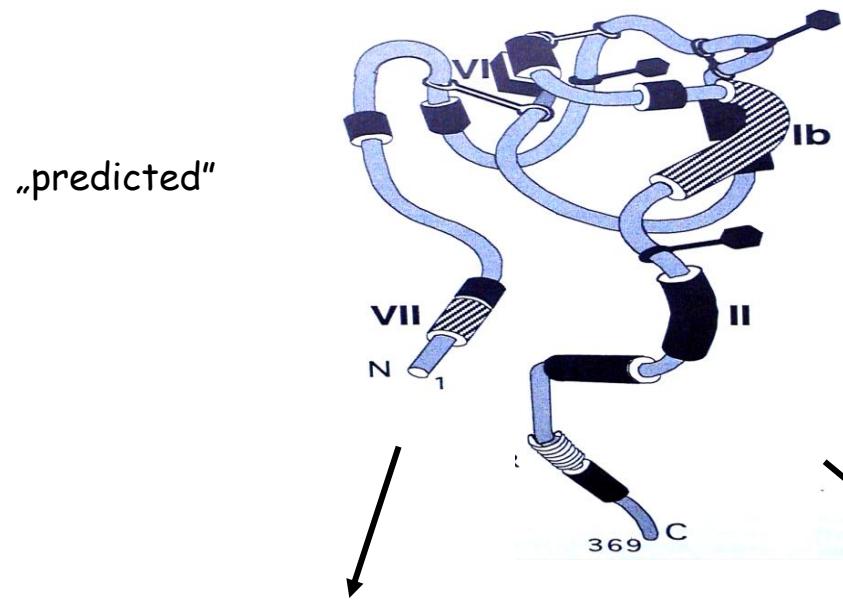
## Localization of Domain Responsible for Hemolytic Activity of Melittin

Melittin: Amphipathic 26-residue peptide  
primary and 3D structure are known

Target: Human red blood cells (RBC)  
 $1.8 \times 10^7$  binding sites per erythrocyte  
 $K_d = 10^{-7} - 3 \times 10^{-8}$  M

Aim: Identification of the smallest fragment,  
which can induce hemolysis at melittin level

# Identification of short sequences responsible for activity



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## Localization of Domain Responsible for Hemolytic Activity of Melittin

### 1. step Peptide synthesis

| Residue  | Amino acid sequence                |
|----------|------------------------------------|
| Melittin | GIGAVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKRQQ – amide |
| 2 – 26   | IGAVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKRQQ – amide  |
| 3 – 36   | GAVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKRQQ – amide   |
| 4 – 26   | AVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKRQQ – amide    |
| 5 – 26   | VLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKRQQ – amide     |
| 6 – 26   | LKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKRQQ – amide      |
| 1 – 25   | GIGAVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKRQ – amide  |
| 1 – 24   | GIGAVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRKR – amide   |
| 1 – 23   | GIGAVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKRK – amide    |
| 1 – 22   | GIGAVLKVLTTGLPALISWIKR – amide     |
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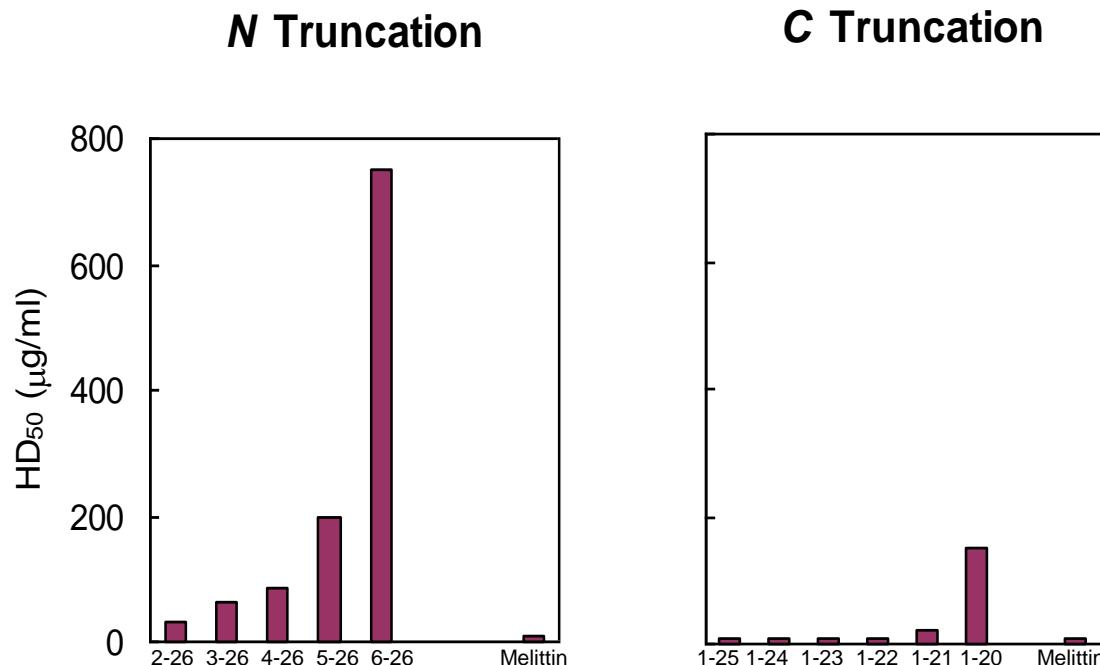
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2. step Binding studies with human red blood cells. Hemolytic assay

Method:

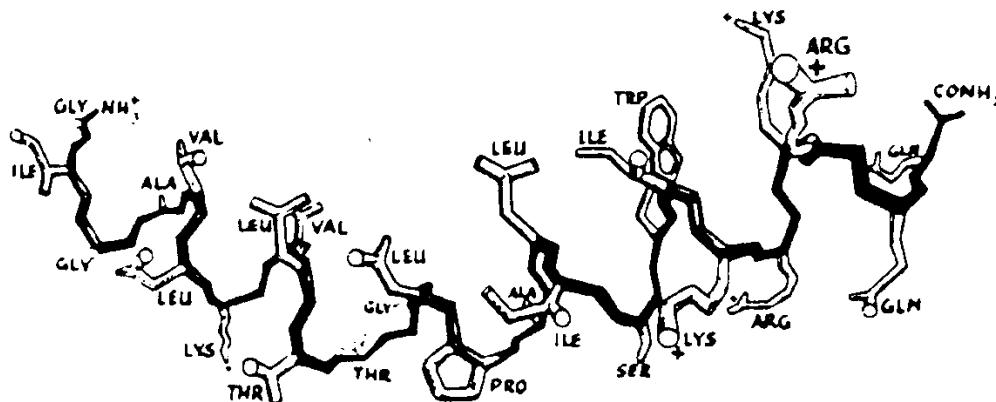
- a. Incubation of peptides at eqvimolar ratio with washed and counted RBC for 1h at 37 °C
- b. Centrifugation.
- c. Measurement of absorbance at  $\lambda = 414 \text{ nm}$   $e = 14.7 \times 10^{-4}$ .



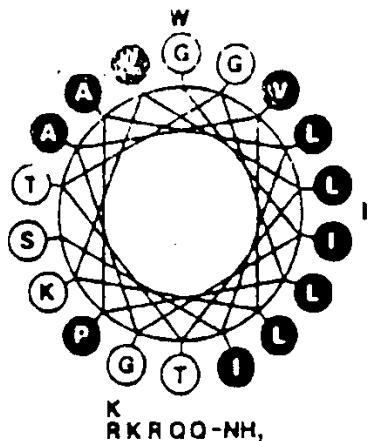
Observation 1:  
The critical residues  
for hemolytic activity of melittin  
are between amino acid 2 and 22

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The conformation of monomeric subunits of melittin from the crystalline tetramer.



Observation 2:  
The removal of amino acid residues from the N-terminal affect the amphipathic alpha-helix.

Helical wheel representations of the conformation