

Paul Ehrlich  
1854-1915  
(Wellcome Library, London)

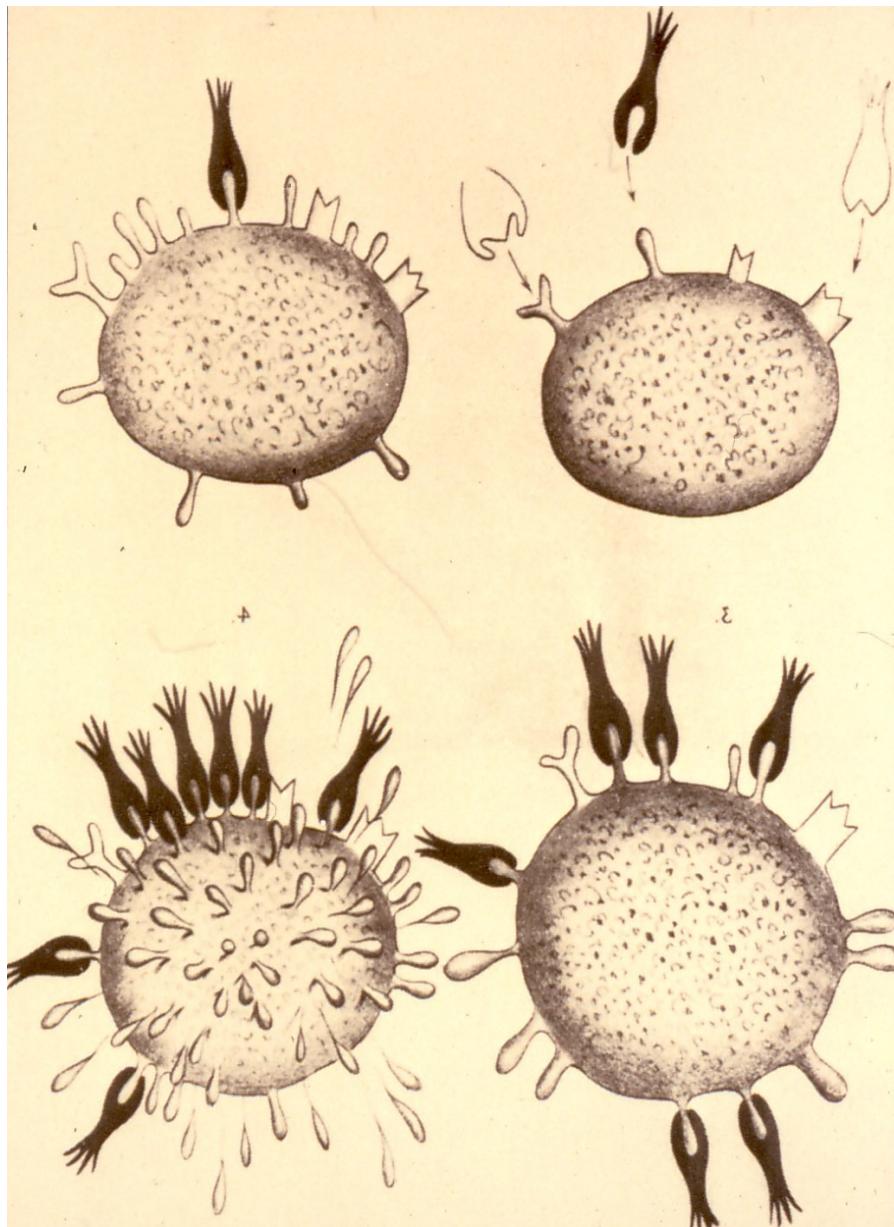
Nobel Lecture  
on December 11th, 1908

„Chemotherapy: Drugs to cure patients“  
and the term „Magic Bullet“

The term "Magic Bullets" is a translation of the German word "Zauberkugeln". It is believed that Ehrlich took that term from the first German opera "Der Freischütz" *A bűvös vadász* (Carl Maria von Weber, 1786-1826).

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### Rezeptoren I. Ordnung.



### Rezeptoren III. Ordnung.



### Rezeptoren II. Ordnung.



### Unizeptoren.

#### Rezeptoren I. Ordnung.

- T Toxin mit h haptophorer Gruppe.  
t toxophorer "
- Td Toxoid " h haptophorer "
- K Körperzelle.
- S Seitenketten.
- At Antitoxin.

#### Rezeptoren II. Ordnung.

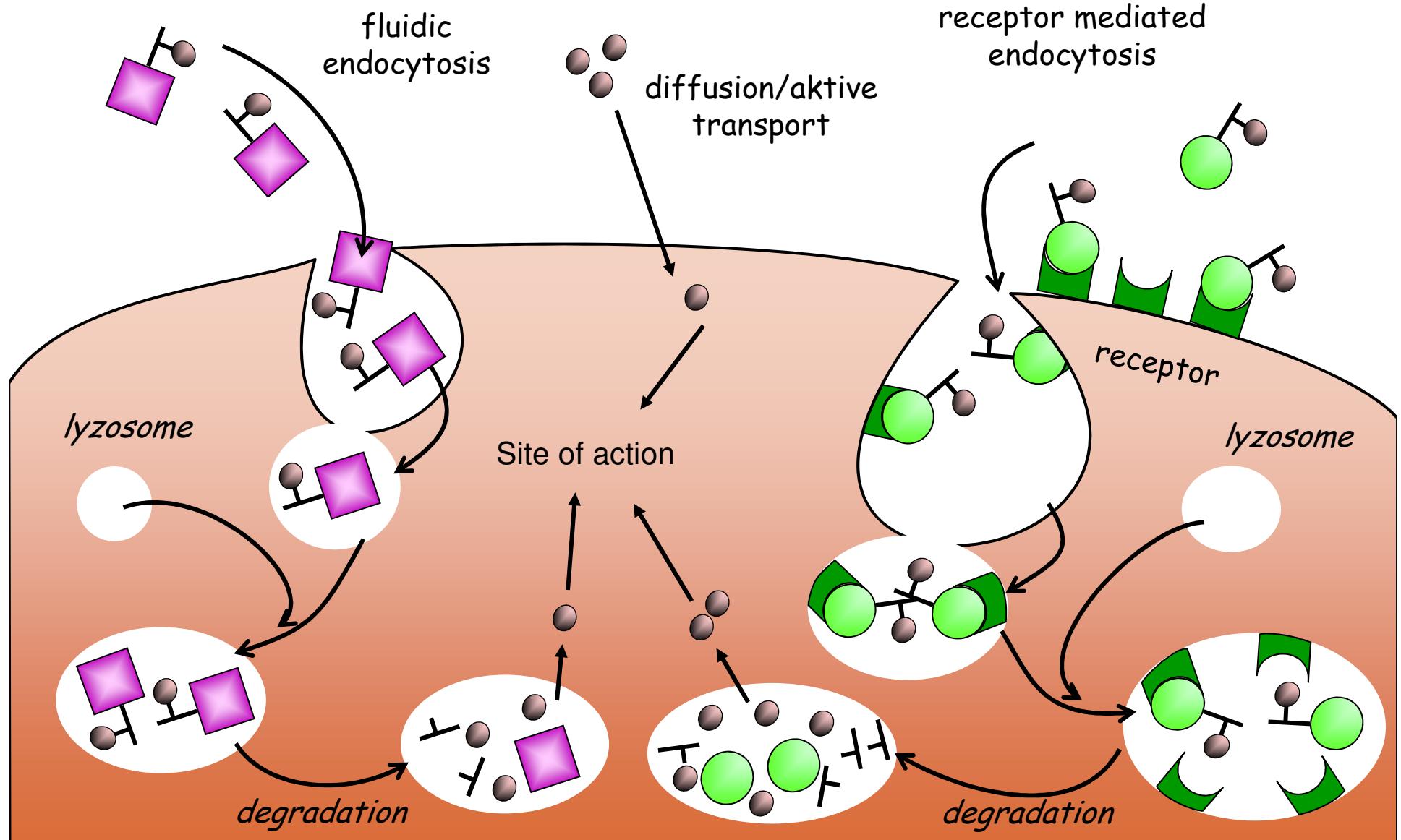
- K Körperzelle.
- S Seitenketten.
- B Bazillus.
- Ag Agglutinin mit h haptoph. Gruppe.  
z zytoph. "
- Agd Agglutinoid " h haptoph. "

### Rezeptoren III. Ordnung.

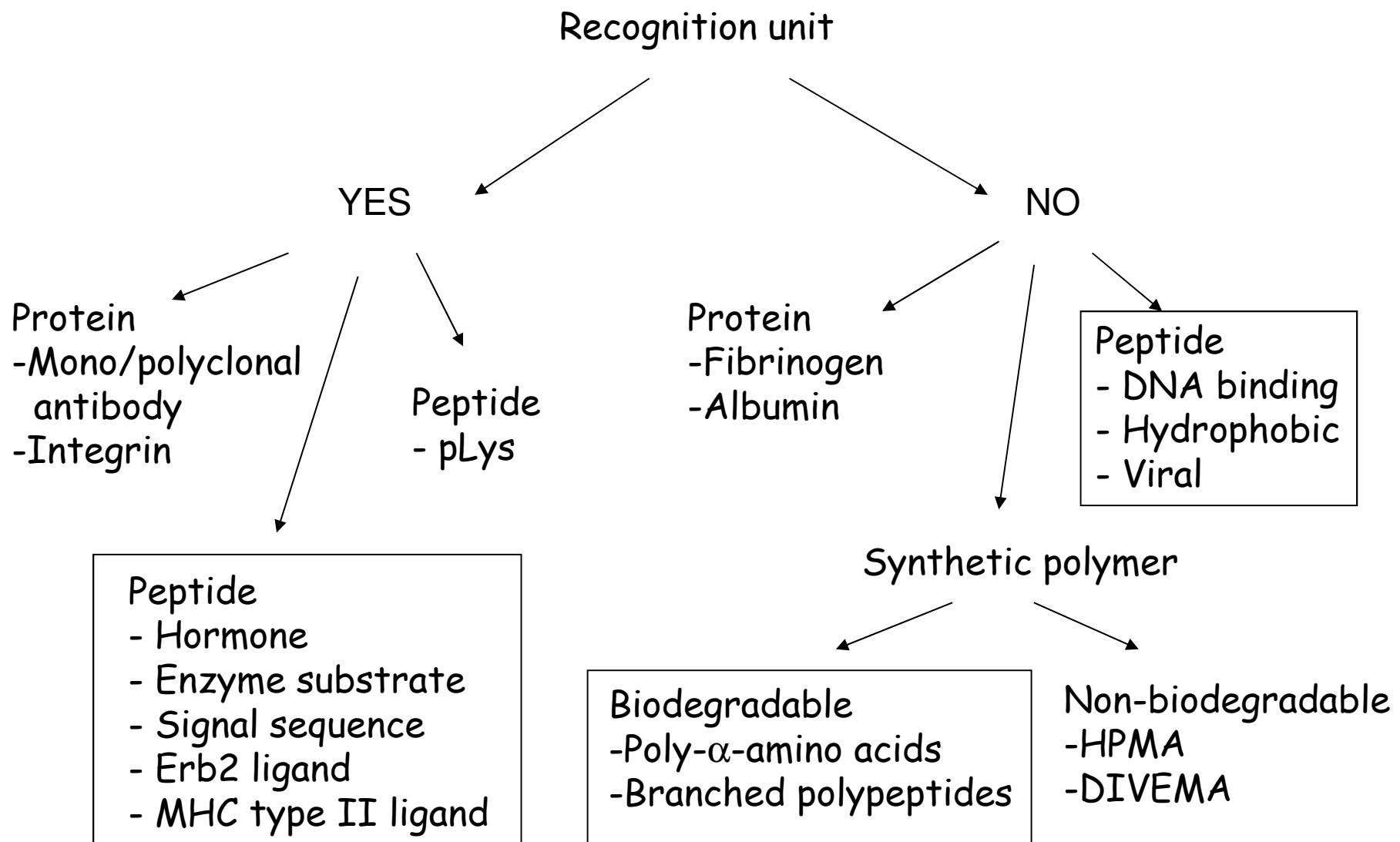
- K Körperzelle.
- S Seitenketten.
- B Bazillus.
- J Immunkörper mit zwei haptophoren Gruppen:  
h, 1. haptophore oder zytophile.  
h, 2. haptophore oder komplementophile Gruppe.
- AJ Antiimmunkörper.
- C Komplement mit h haptoph. Gruppe.  
e ergophorer "
- Cd Komplementoid mit h haptoph. "
- AC Antikomplement.
- J<sub>1</sub> Immunkörper mit mehreren komplementophilen Gruppen h, bis h.
- d.C dominantes Komplement.

### Ambozeptoren.

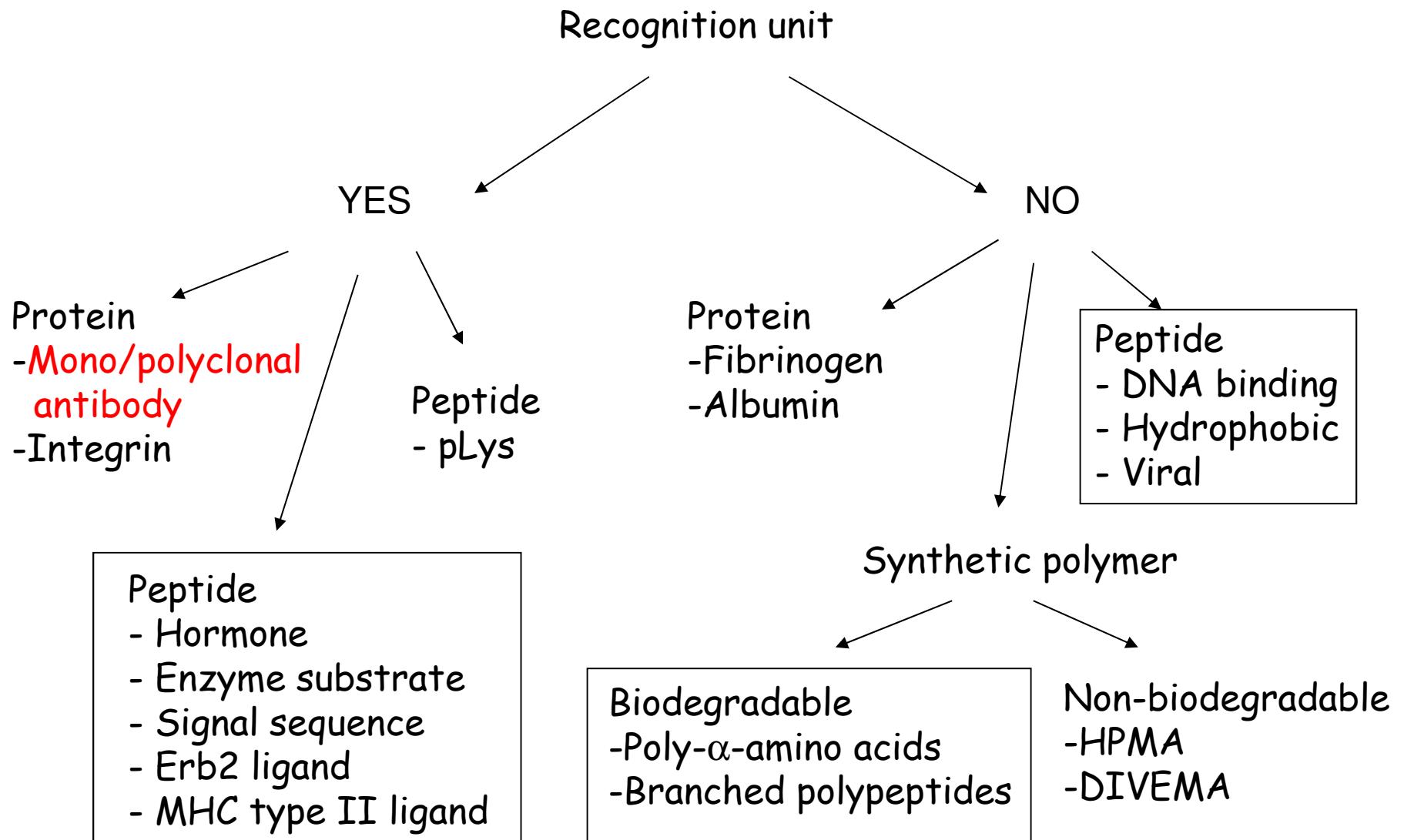
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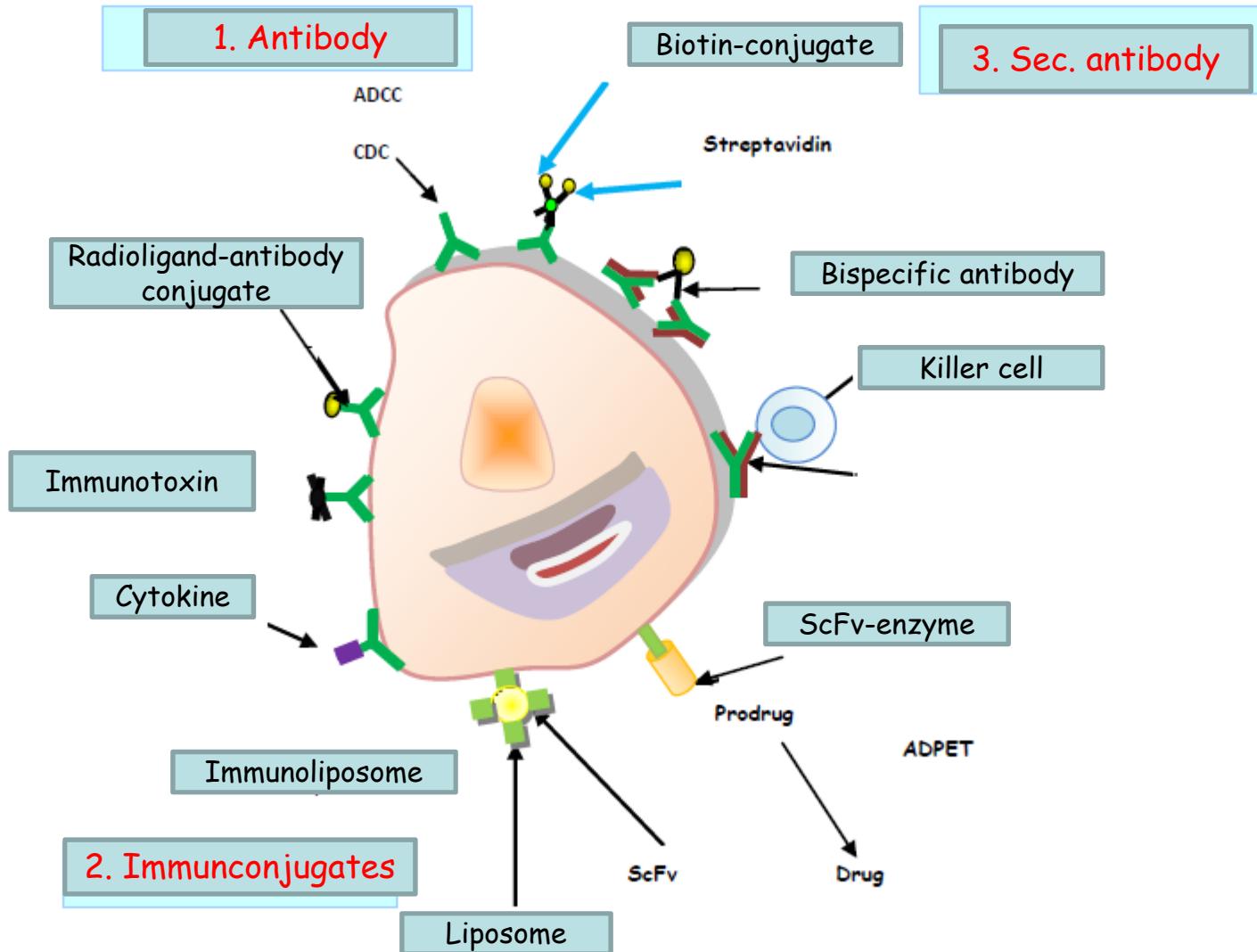


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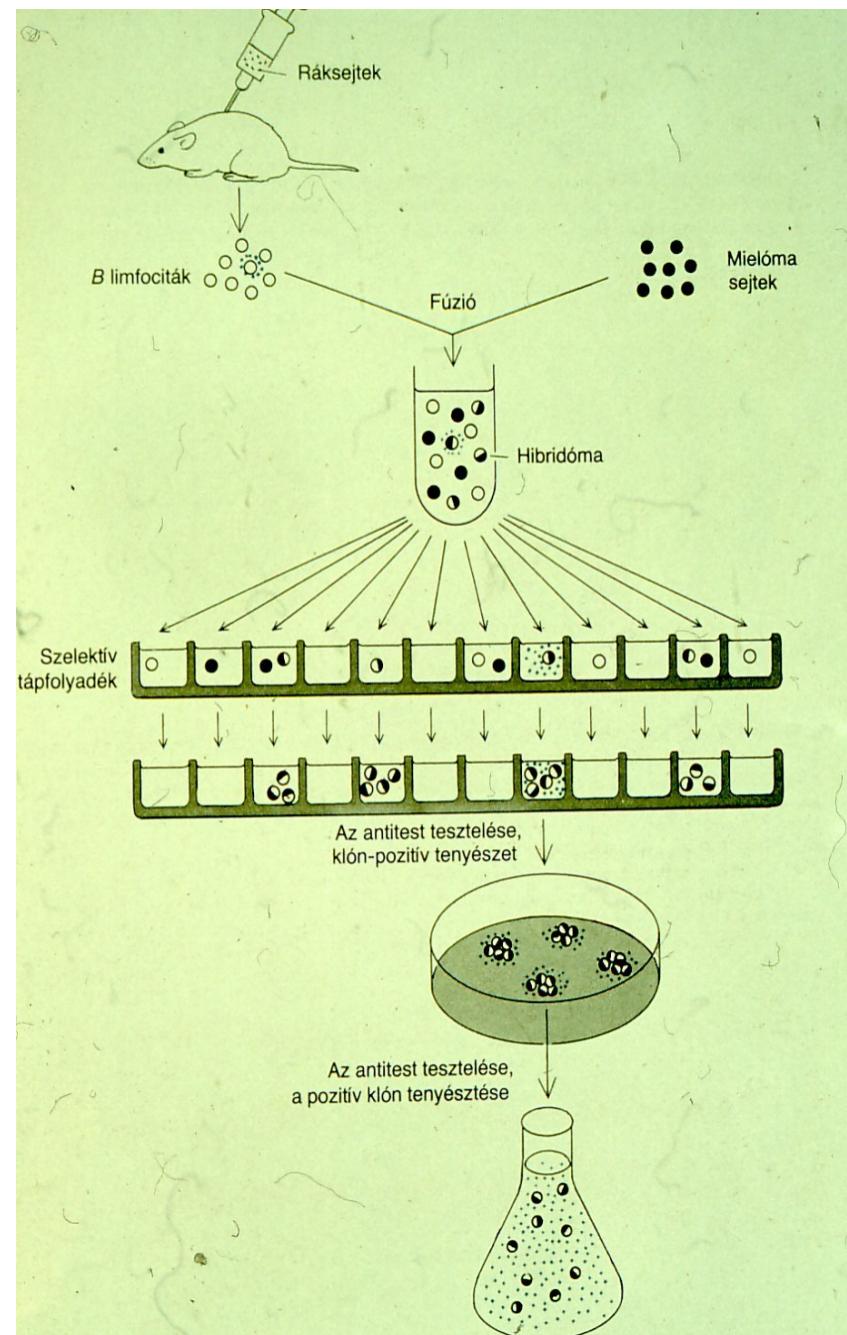
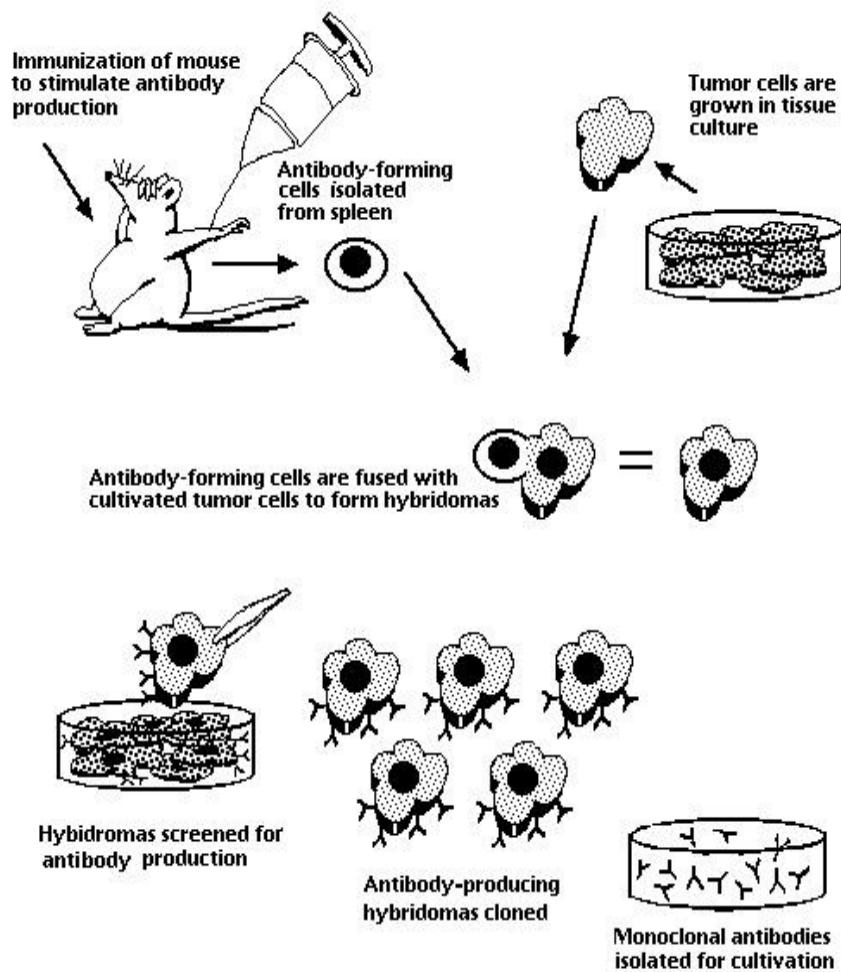




Dr. Halmos Gábor: Fejezetek a modern biofarmáciából, Budapest, 2011.

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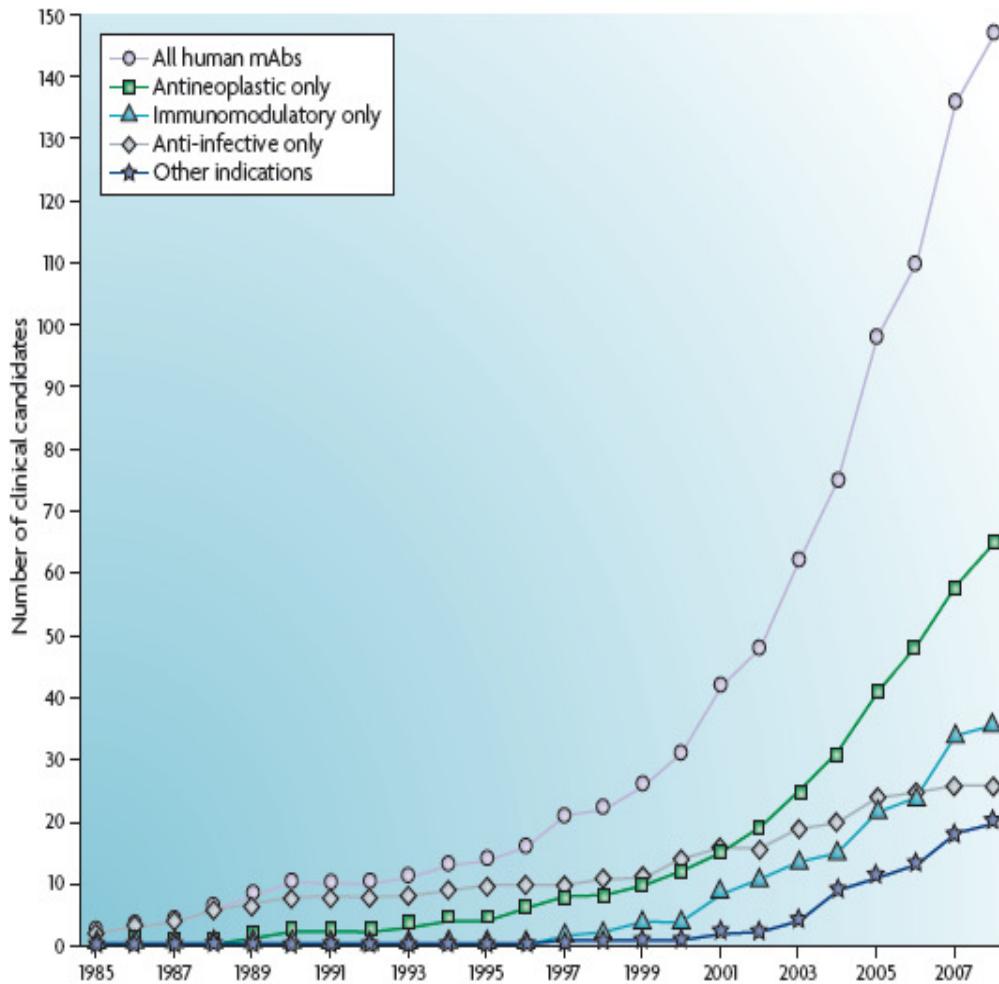
# Monoclonal Antibody Production



1975 First hybridoma to produce MoAb  
(Nobel prize, 1984, C. Milstein, G.J.F. Köhler)

1986 First therapeutic antibody: muromomab  
anti-human CD3, murine ab, kidney transplation

# Human monoclonal antibody development 1985-2008



- 40 new clinical trial
- 290 present clinical trial  
(December, 2010)

Aaron L. Nelson et al.

Development trends for human monoclonal antibody therapeutics.

Nature Reviews Drug Discovery (2010) doi:10.1038/nrd3229

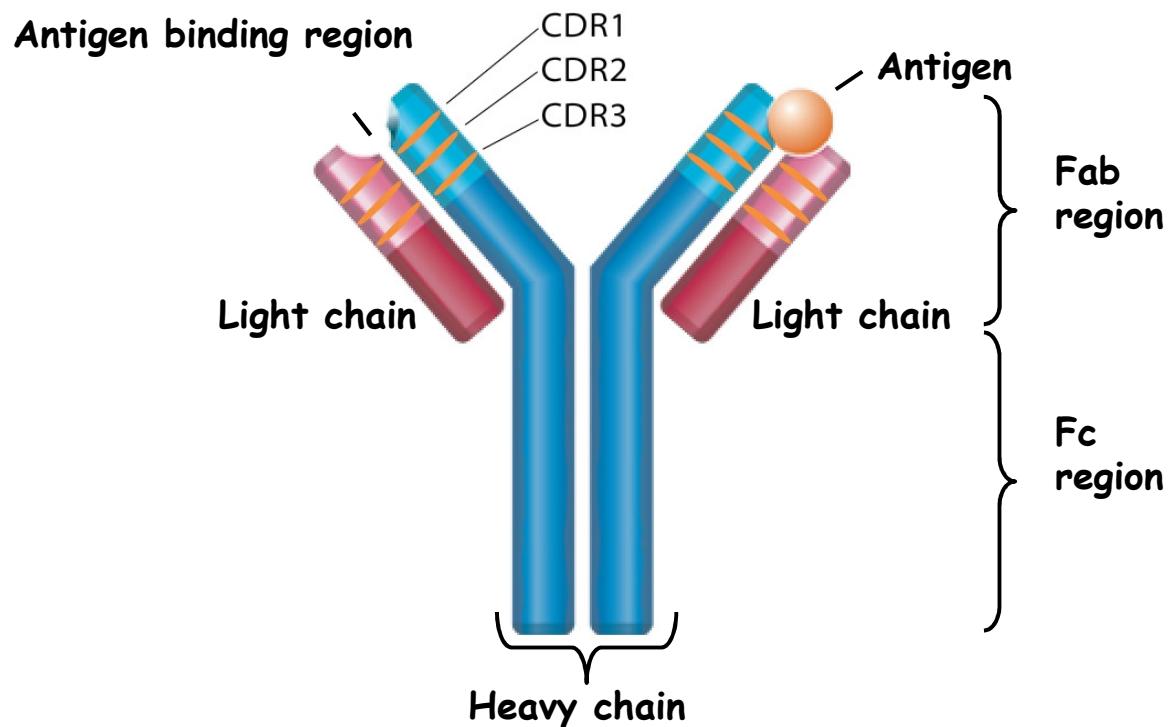
## FDA\* approved monoclonal antibodies for therapy

Code	Specificity	Type	Indication	Year
OKT3	CD3 (Muronomab-CD3)	mouse	transplantation	1986
ReoPro	GpIIb/gpIIIa (Abciximab)	Fab chimeric	cardiovascular disease	1994
Rituxan	CD20	chimeric	non-Hodgkin lymphoma	1997
Zenapax	CD25 (Daclizumab)	humanised	transplantation	1997
Remicade	TNF-a (Infliximab)	chimeric	Crohn-disease rheumatoid arthritis	1998
Simulect	CD25 (Basiliximab)	chimeric	transplantation	1998
Synagis	RSV	humanised	RSV virus	1998
Herceptin	Her-2	humanised	breast cancer (metastatic)	1998
Mylotarg	CD33	humanised	acute myeloid leukemia toxin-linked	2000
CroFab	Kígyóméreg	ovine Fab	anti-rattlesnake poison	2000
DigiFab	digoxin	ovine Fab	digoxin poisoning	2001
Campath	CD52	humanised	chronic lymphoid leukemia	2001
Zevalin	CD20	murine	non-Hodgkin lymphoma radioligand-linked	2002

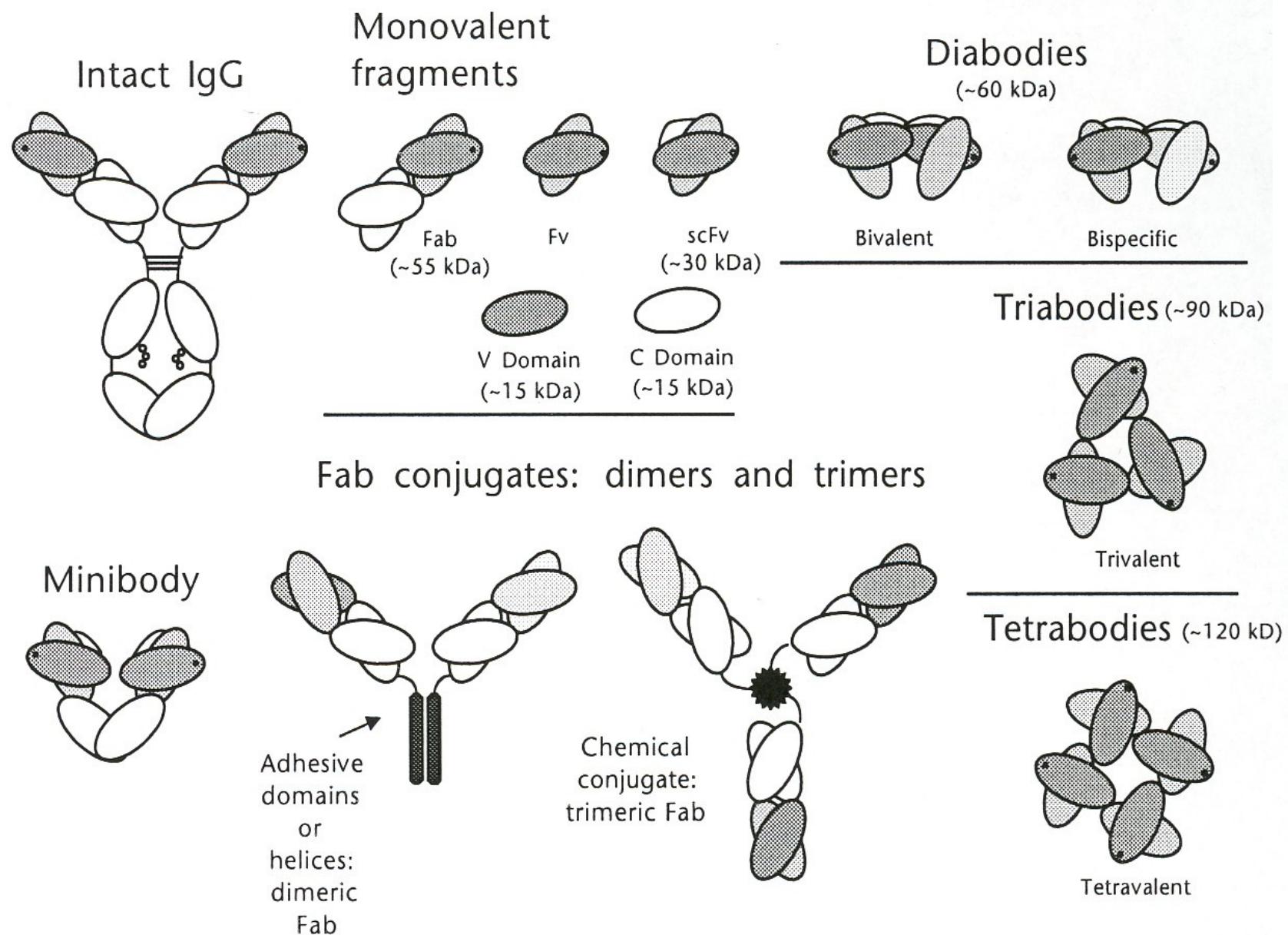
\*Food and drug administration

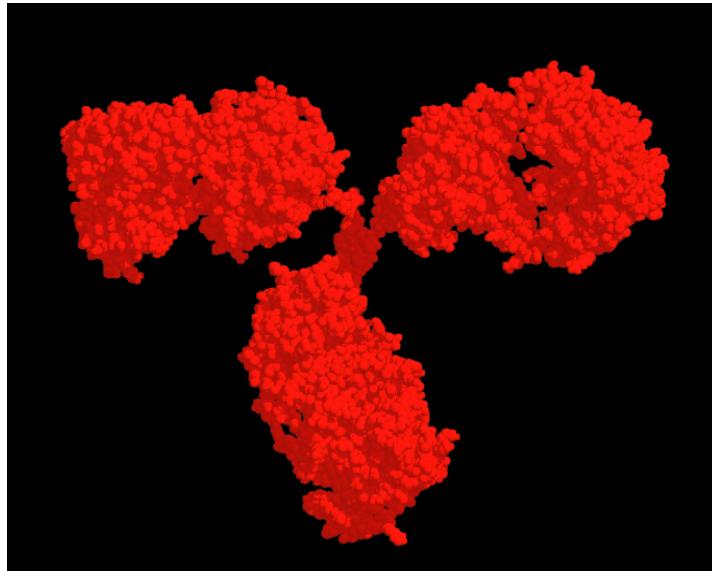
Nature Med. 9:129 (2003)

# Structure of antibody

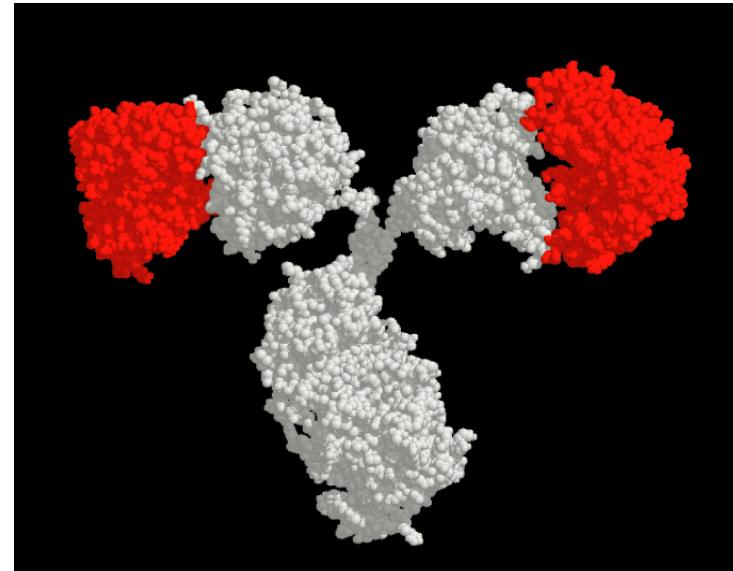


CDR: complementarity determining regions

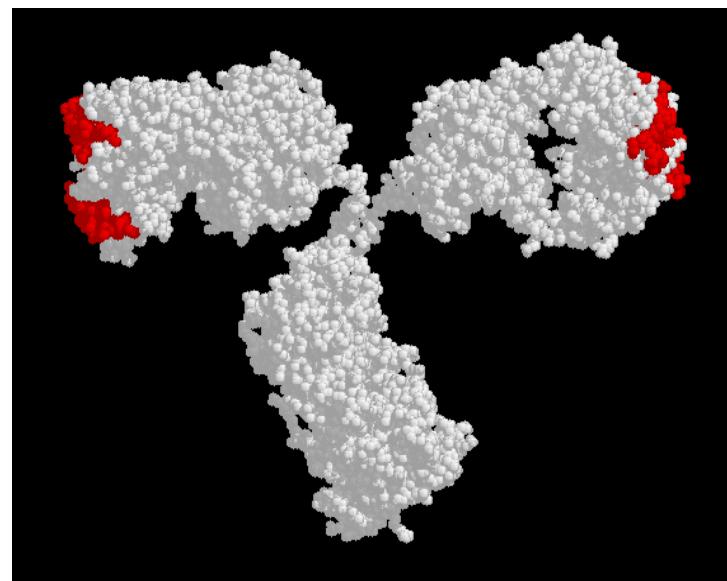




Native murine monoclonal antibody



Chimeric mouse/human antibody, CH1-CH3 domains replaced



Chimeric mouse/human antibody, CH1-CH3 and CL domains replaced

# First generation of therapeutical antibodies

Chimeric antibody

1984

Antibody chimerization<sup>2</sup> -

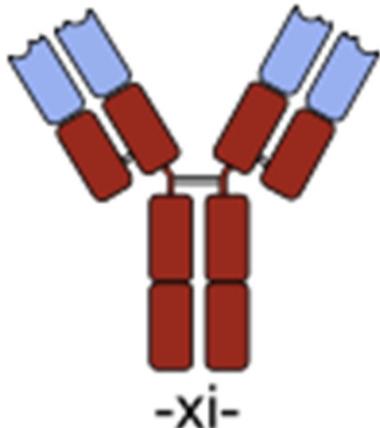
mouse Fab region + human Fc region

1994

First chimeric antibody: abciximab  
(anti GP IIb/IIIa antibody)

1997-

Novel chimeric antibodies:  
e.g. rituximab, infliximab



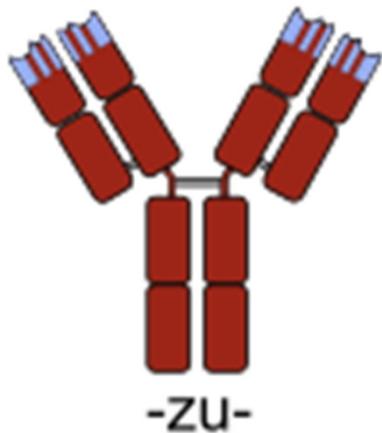
25% mouse

75% human

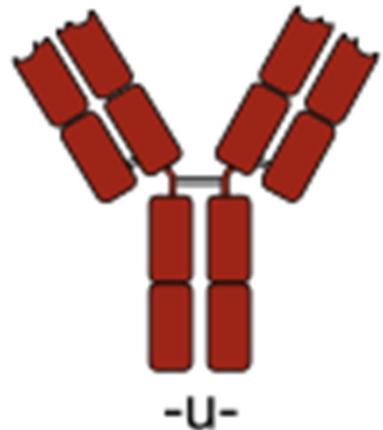
Efficacy

Immunogenicity - human anti-chimeric  
antibody (HACA) formation

# Second generation of therapeutical antibodies



Humanized /  
Human antibody



95-100% human

1986 Humanization of antibodies, first time<sup>1</sup>

1997 The first humanized antibody: daclizumab  
(anti CD25)

1990 „Phage display” technology description,  
first time<sup>2</sup>

2002 The first human antibody: adalimumab  
(TNF inhibitor) - by phage display technology)

1994 Transgenic mice producing human IgG<sup>3,4</sup>  
- Abgenix mouse and Medarex mouse

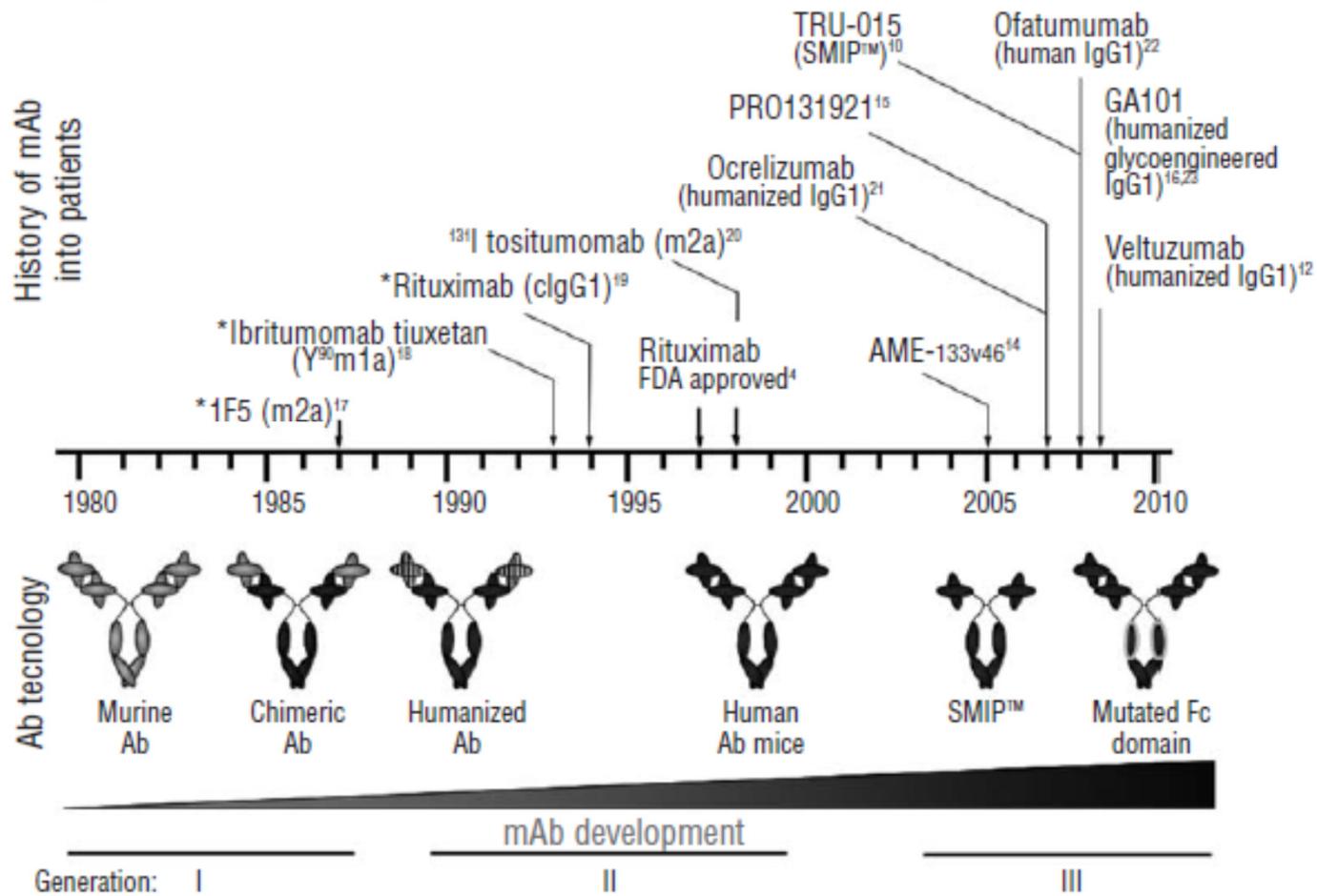
2009 First therapeutic human antibody produced in mice: golimumab - Medarex

Immunogenicity - human anti-human  
antibodies (HAHA)

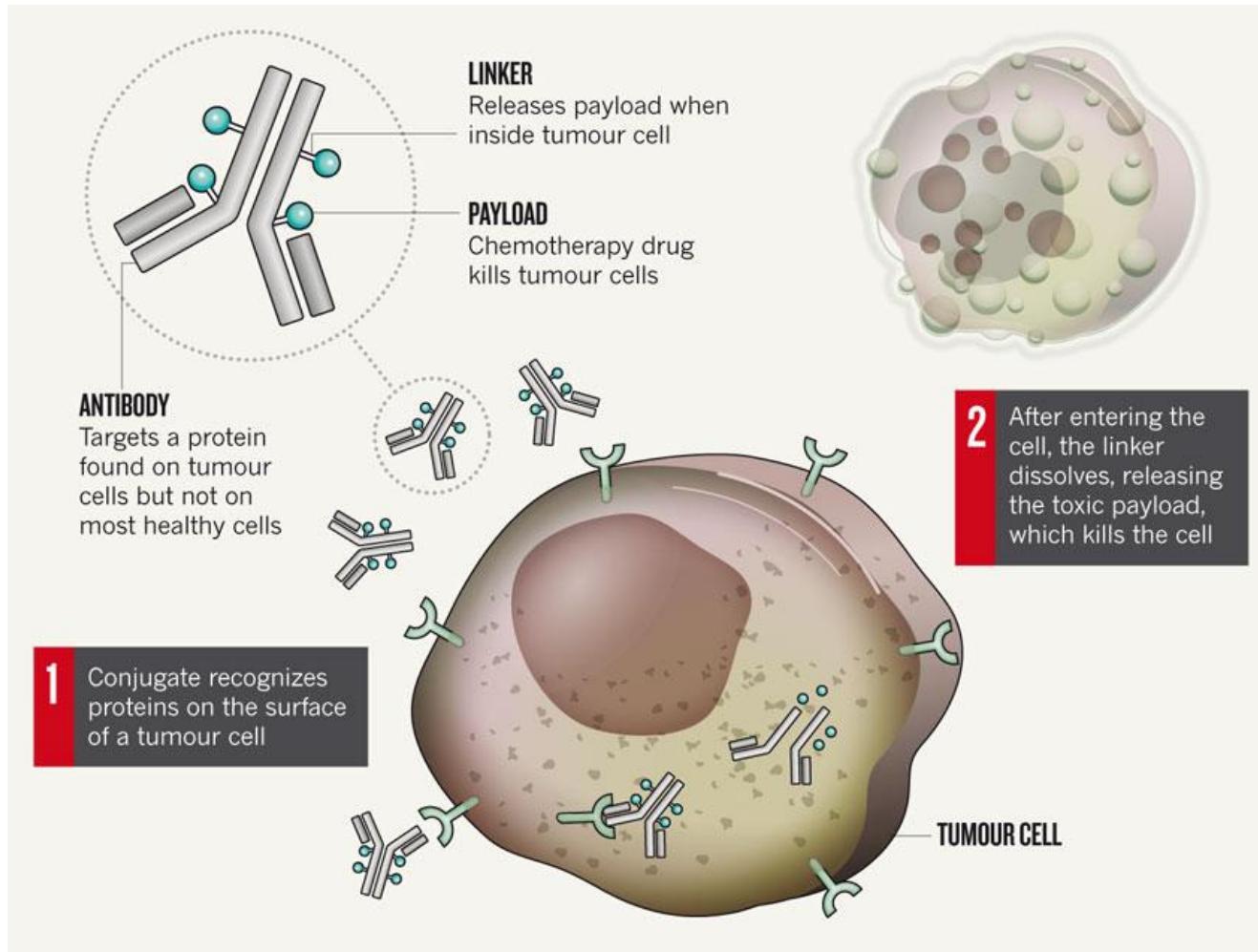
1: Jones PT. Et al. Nature 321. 522-525 (1986); 2: McCafferty et al. Nature 348. 552-554 (1990);  
3: Green et al. Nature Genet. 7. 13-21. (1994); 4: Lonberg N et al. Nature 368. 856-859. (1994)

# „Development“ of anti-CD20 monoclonal antibodies

History of anti-CD20 mAb in clinical translation



# Monoclonal antibody - conjugates



H. Ledford: Toxic antibodies blitz tumours. Nature 476, 380-381 (2011)

## B. Targeted Drugs –

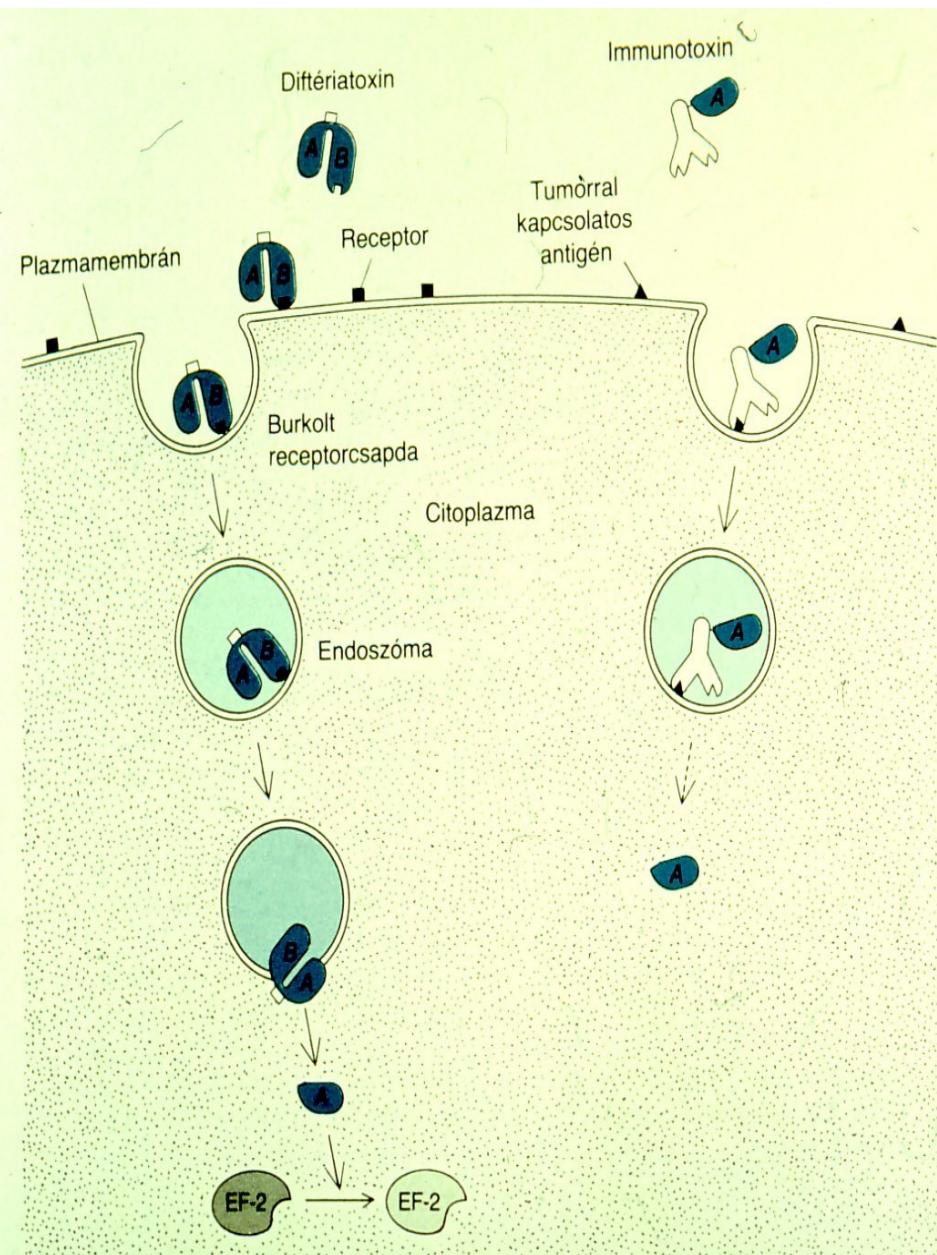
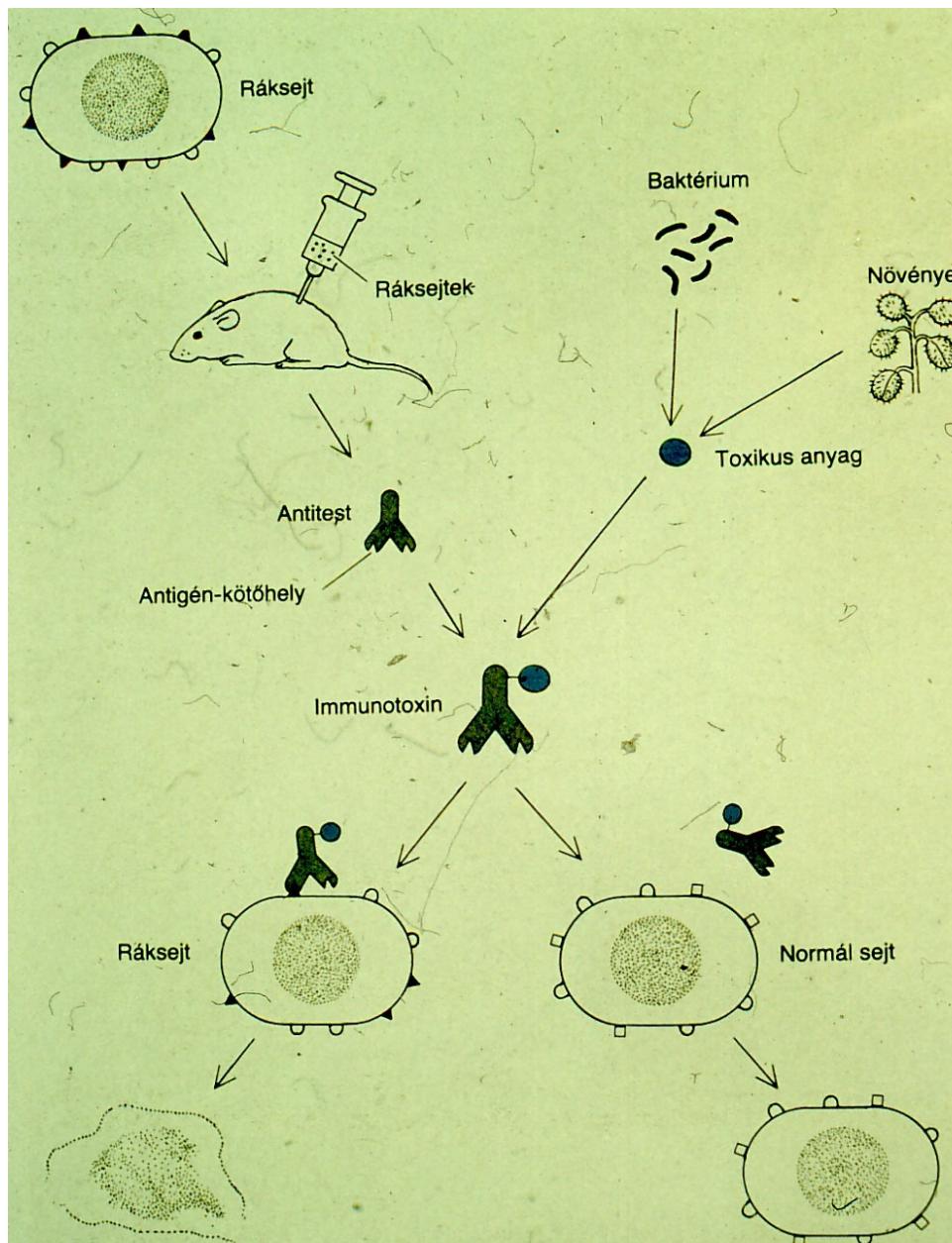
1. Tyrosine Protein Kinase Inhibitors – Imatinib, nilotinib
2. EGF receptor inhibitors – Gefitinib, Erlotinib, Cetuximab

3. Angiogenesis Inhibitors – Bevacizumab, Sunitinib

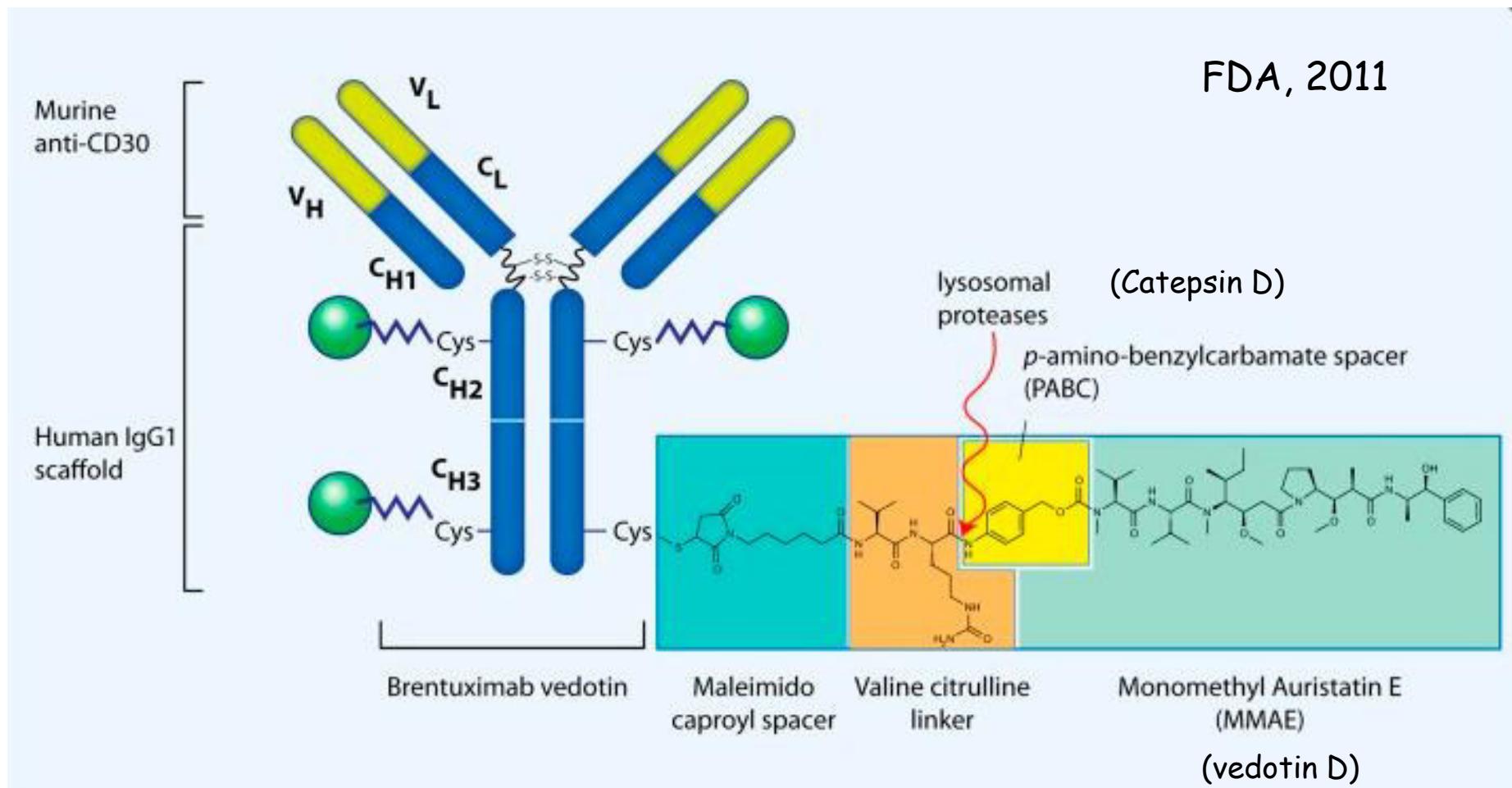
4. Proteasome Inhibitor – Bortezomib

5. Unarmed monoclonal antibody – Rituximab, Trastuzumab

# Monoclonal antibody - toxin conjugates

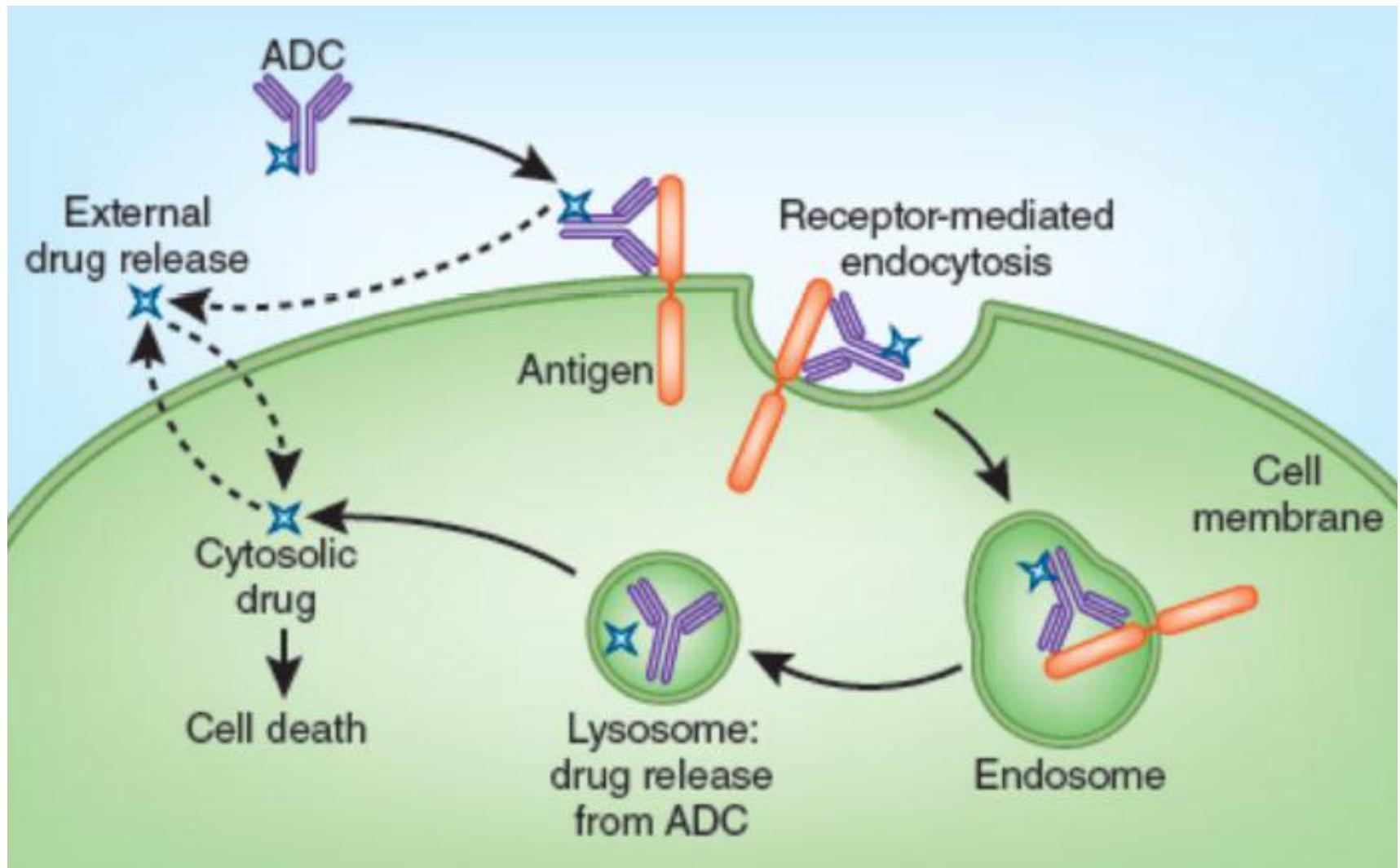


# Brentuximab vedotin conjugate against CD30+ Hodgkin (HL) and non-Hodgkin lymphoma



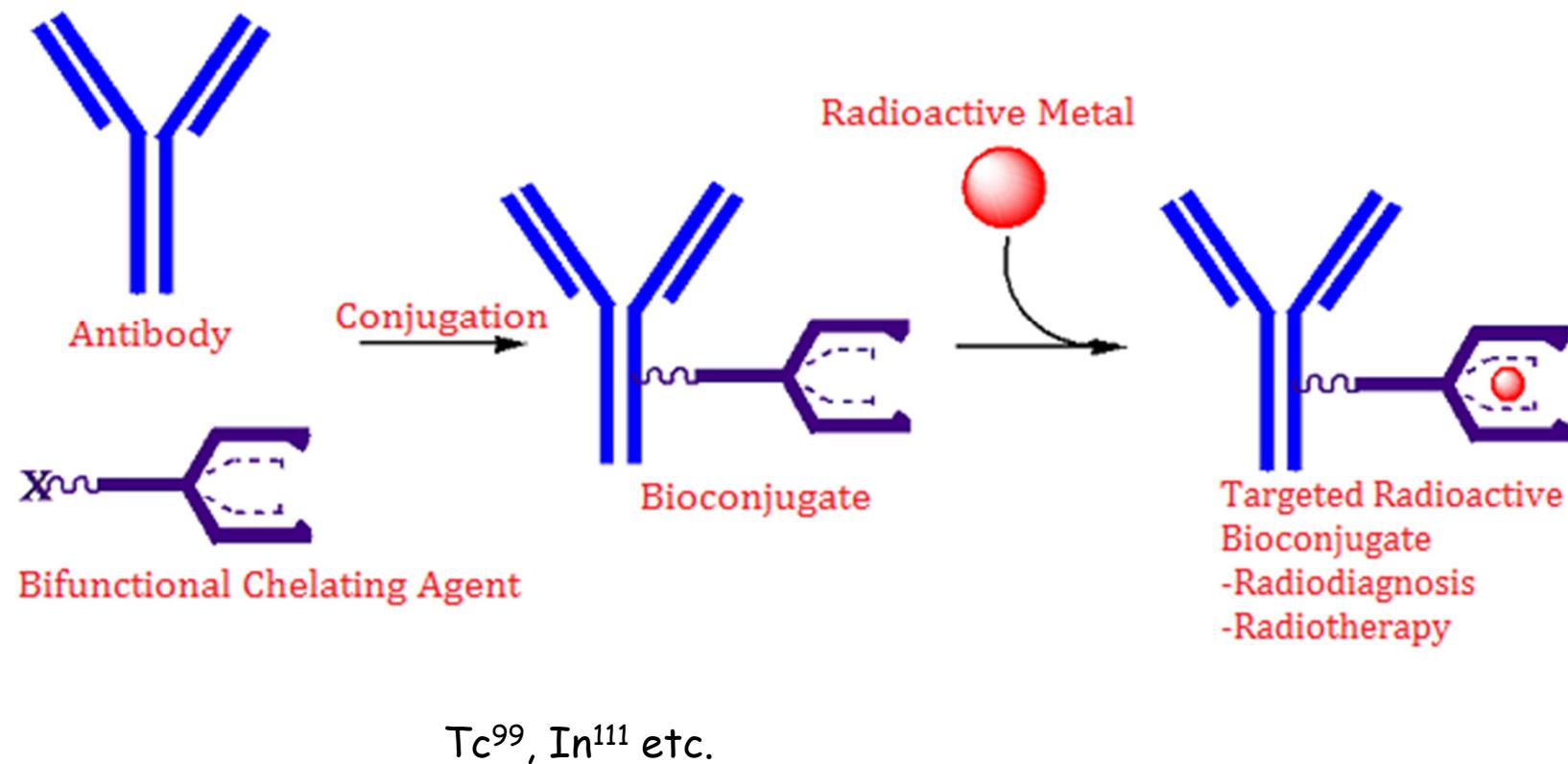
A. Wakankar, Y. Chen, Y. Gokarn, F. S. Jacobson: Analytical methods for physicochemical characterization of antibody drug conjugates, *mAbs* 3:2, 161-172; 2011.

# Mechanism of action of brentuximab vedotin conjugate

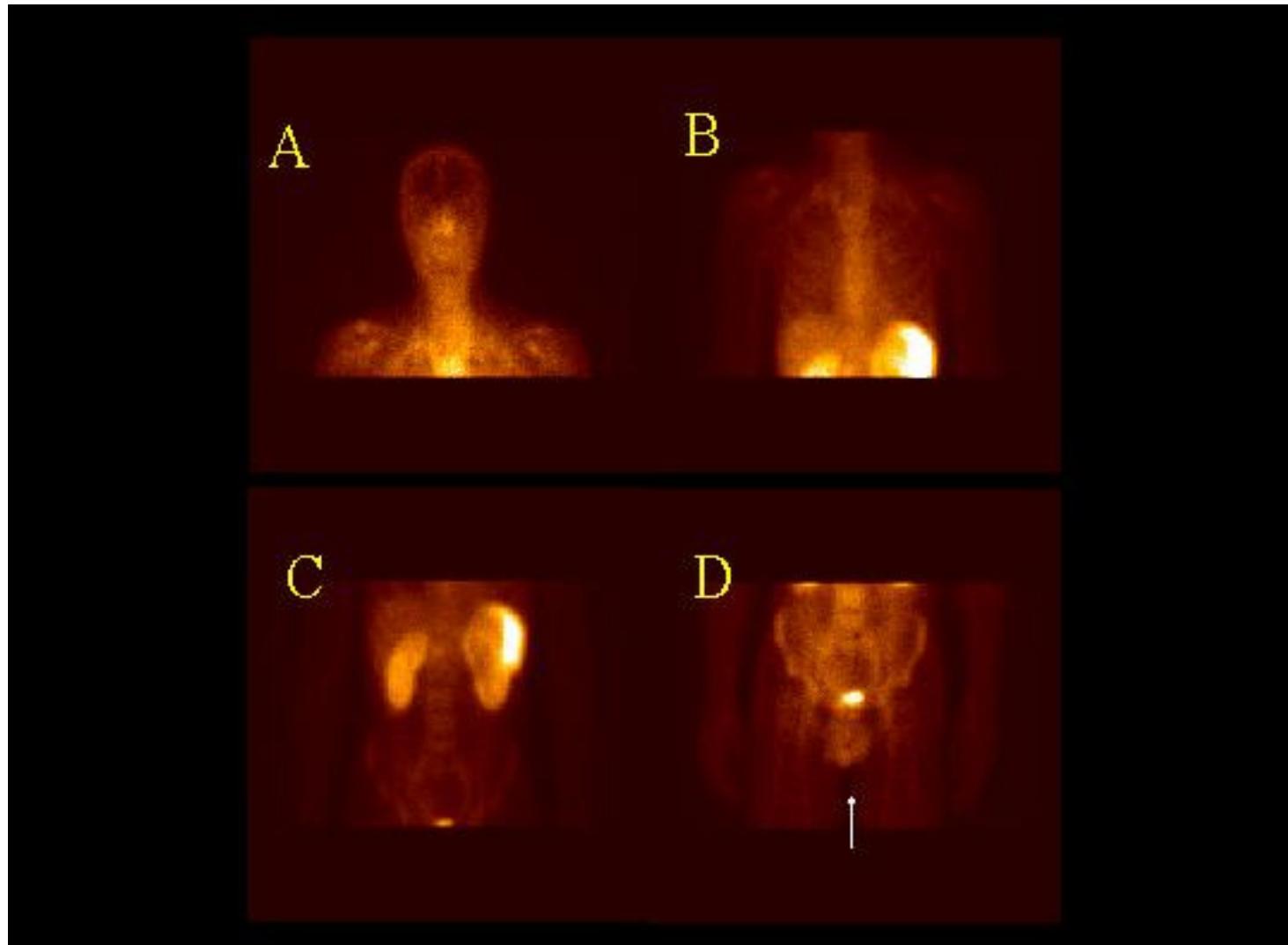


C. Vaklavas and A. Forero-Torres: Safety and efficacy of brentuximab vedotin in patients with Hodgkin lymphoma or systemic anaplastic large cell lymphoma, *Ther Adv Hematol* 3(4) 209-225, 2012.

# Monoclonal antibody - radioligand conjugates

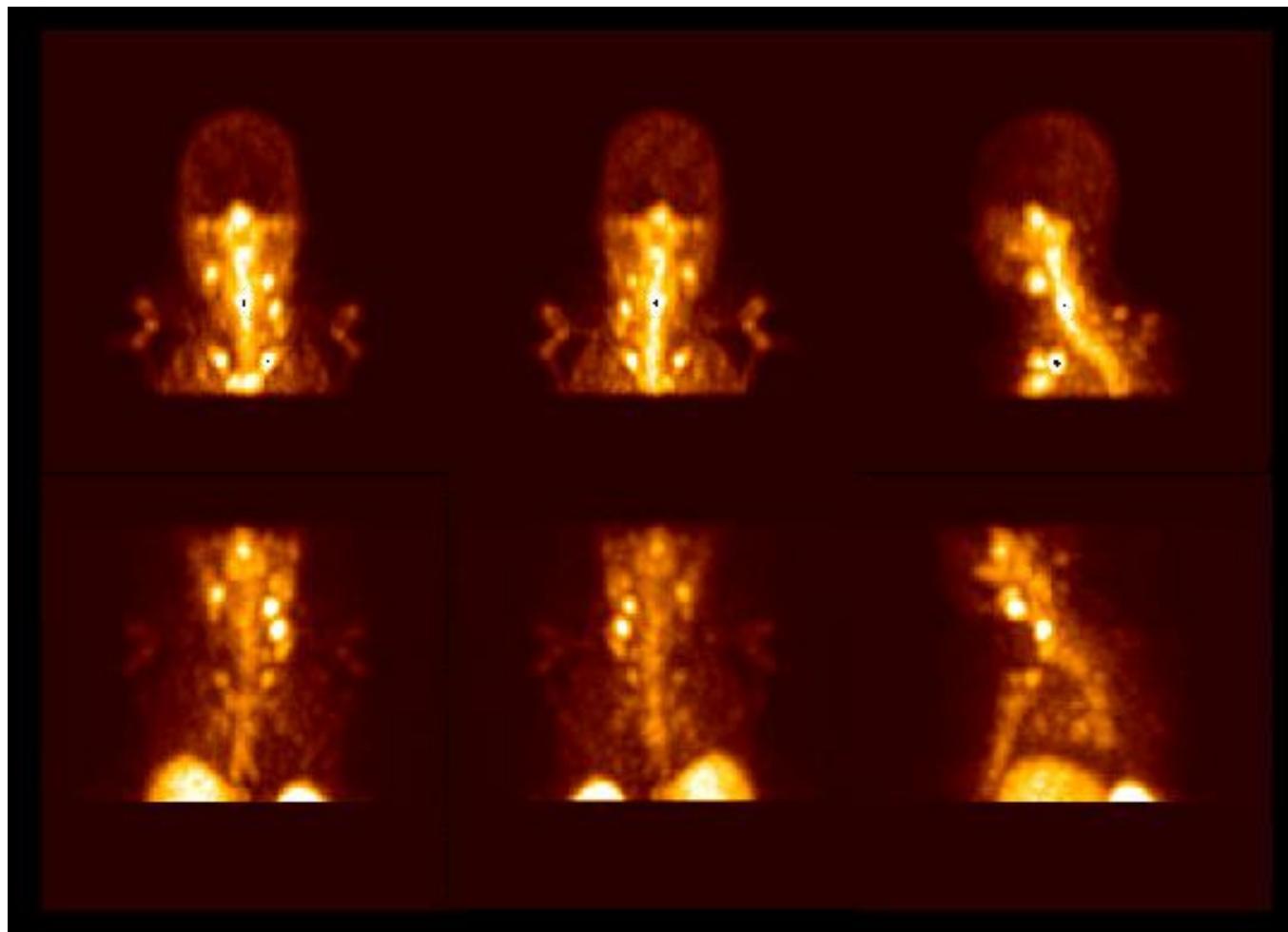


Tc99-radiolabeled mAb against the cellular membrane of the Raji cell component  
of B cell lymphoma patients with non-Hodgkin's B-cell lymphoma



41 year old showing relatively normal distribution of tracer A) Nasopharynx  
B) Heart C) Liver, Spleen, and Kidney D) Testicles, Bladder and Bone Marrow

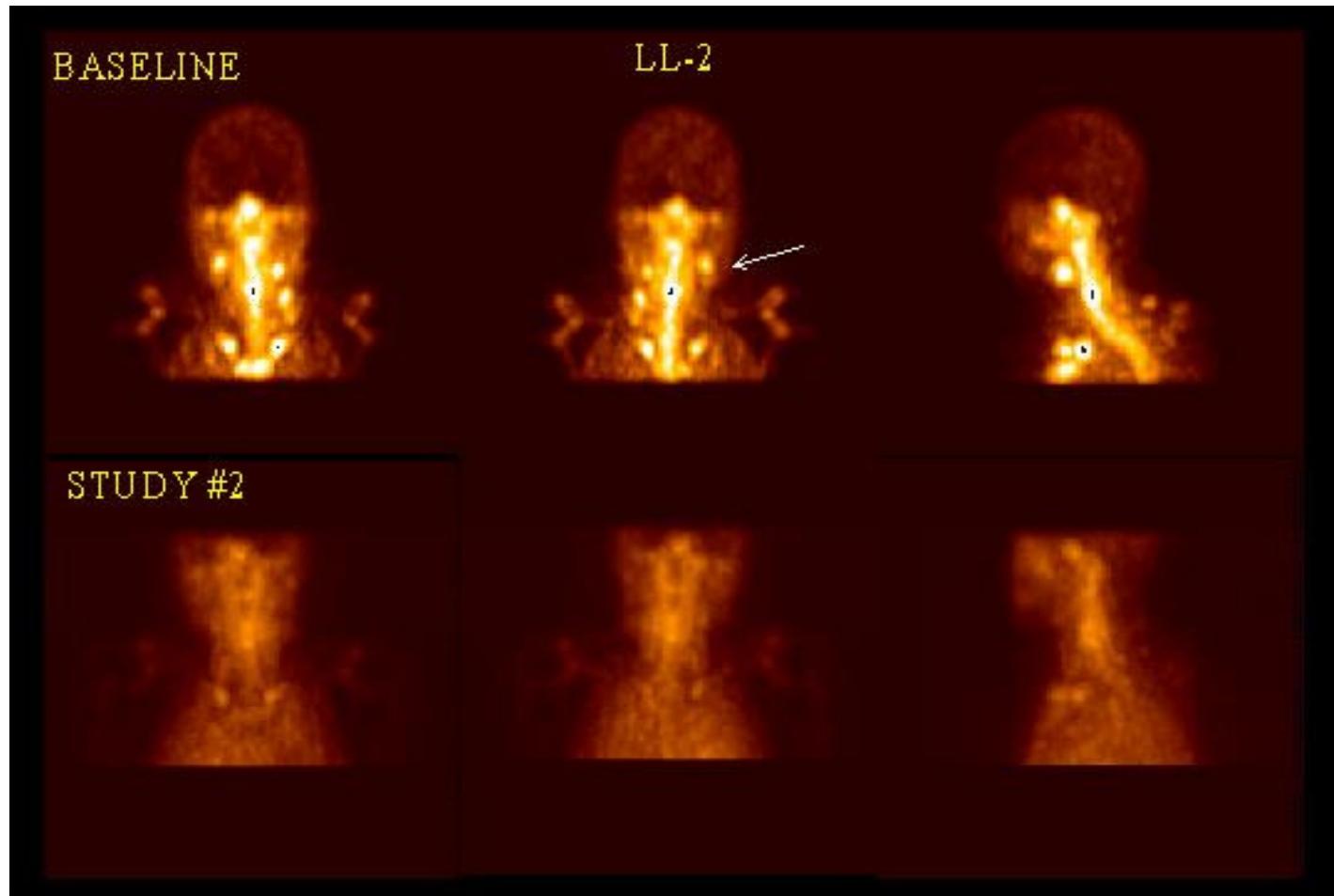
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69 year old with right tonsillar lymphoma and multiple positive nodes.  
(A) 4-h 3D reprojection images (Ant., Post, Lat.) and (B) Comparable 24-h images

*E. Tamm et al.* The University of Texas-Houston Medical School, Houston, Texas

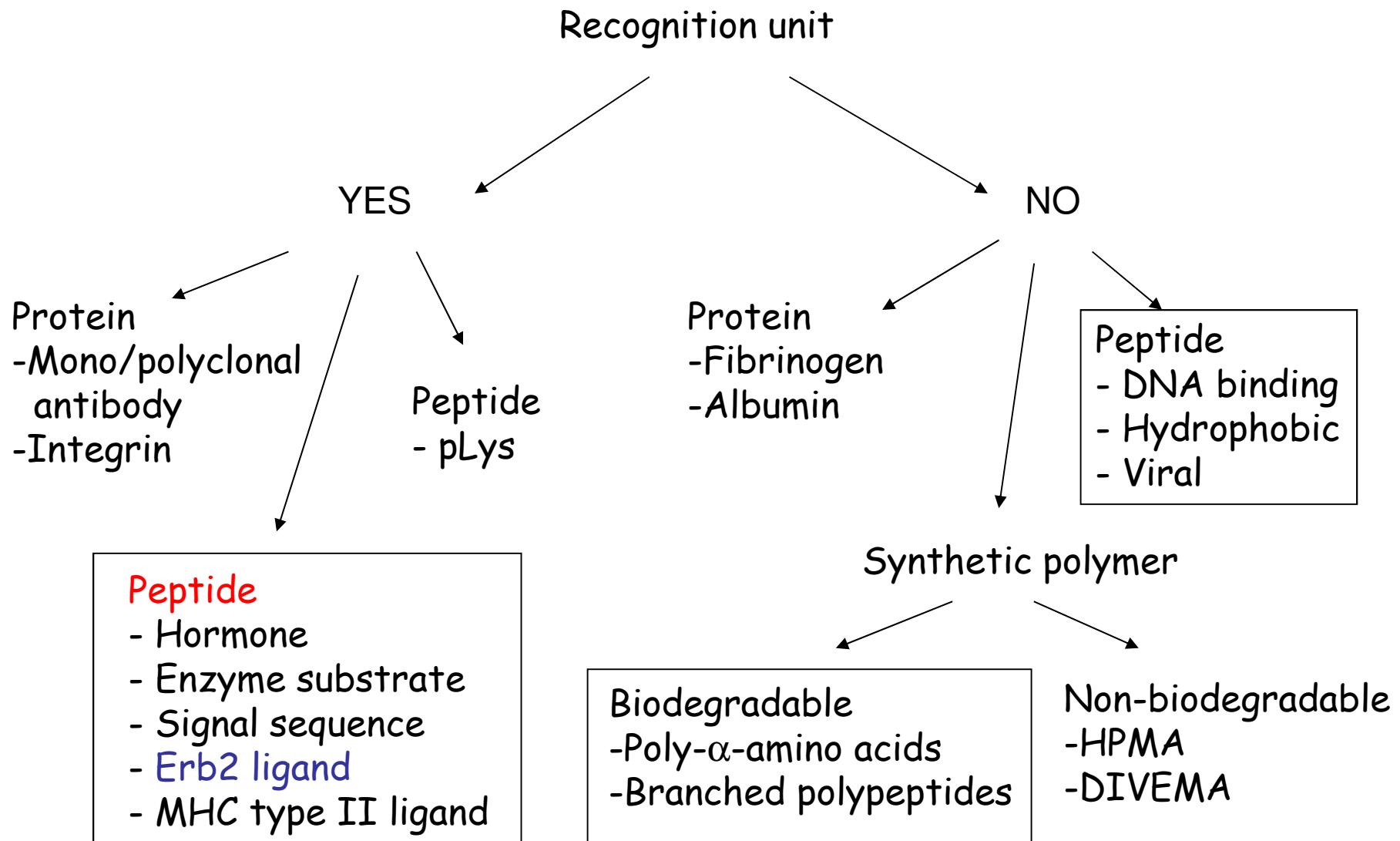
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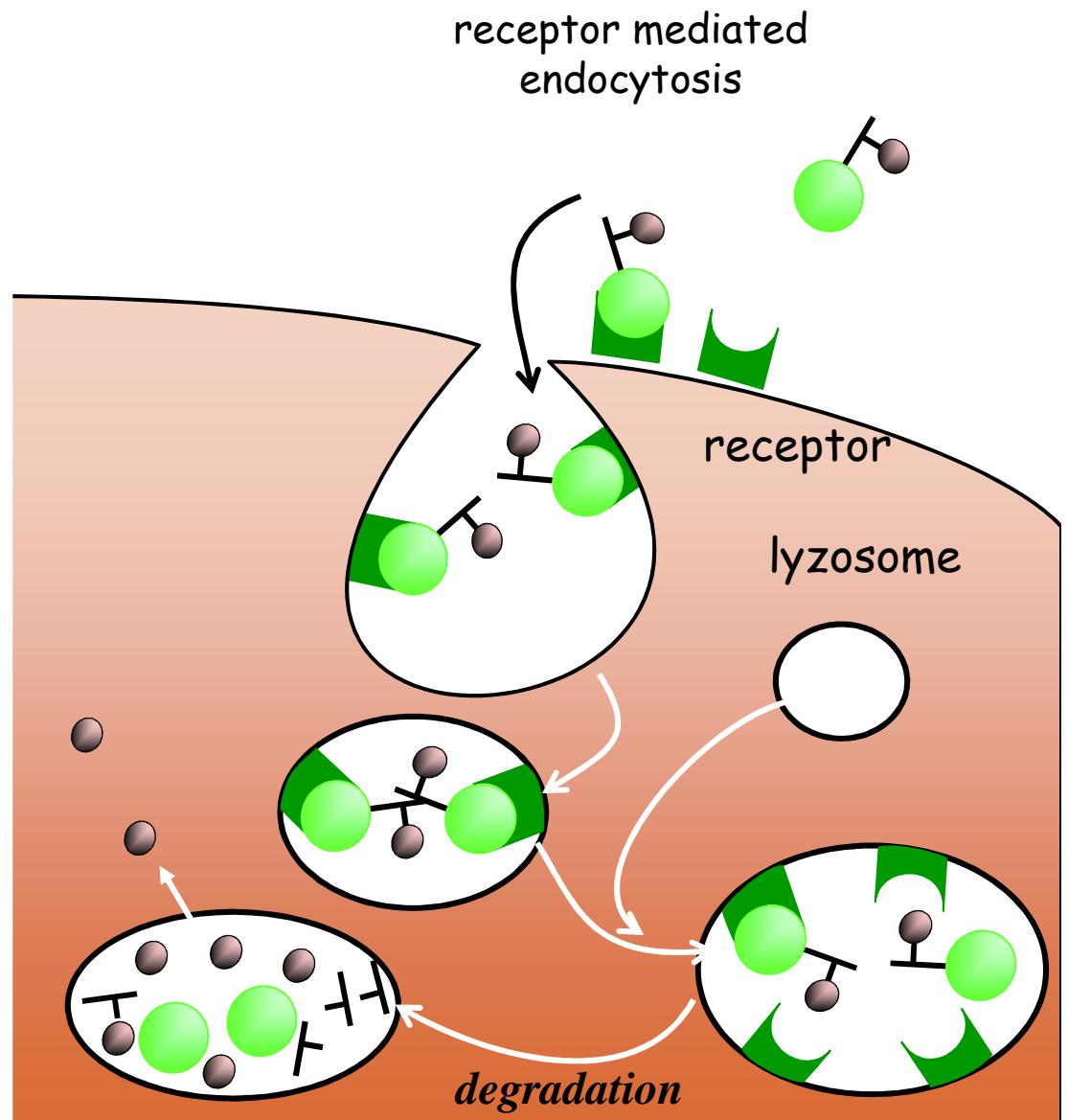
69 year old with right tonsillar lymphoma. 3D images findings on  
(A) Study #1 and (B) Study #2, 4 months apart.

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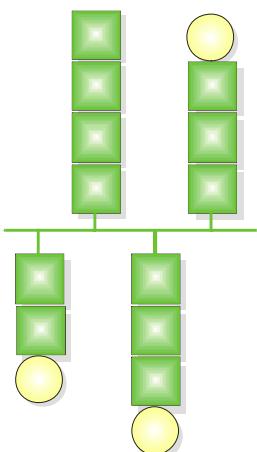
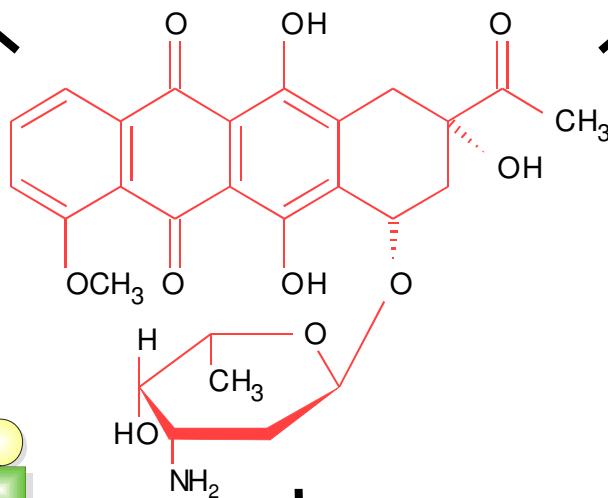
# Daunomycin conjugates with oligo- or polypeptide



Orbán E. et al.:  
*Bioconjugate Chem.*  
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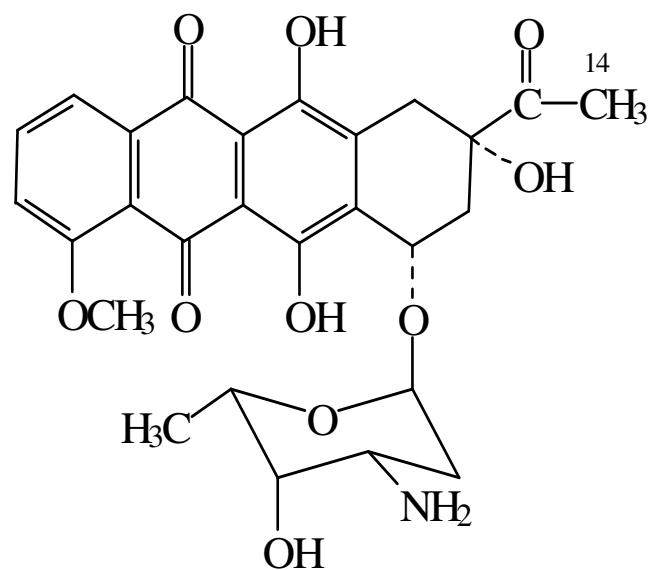


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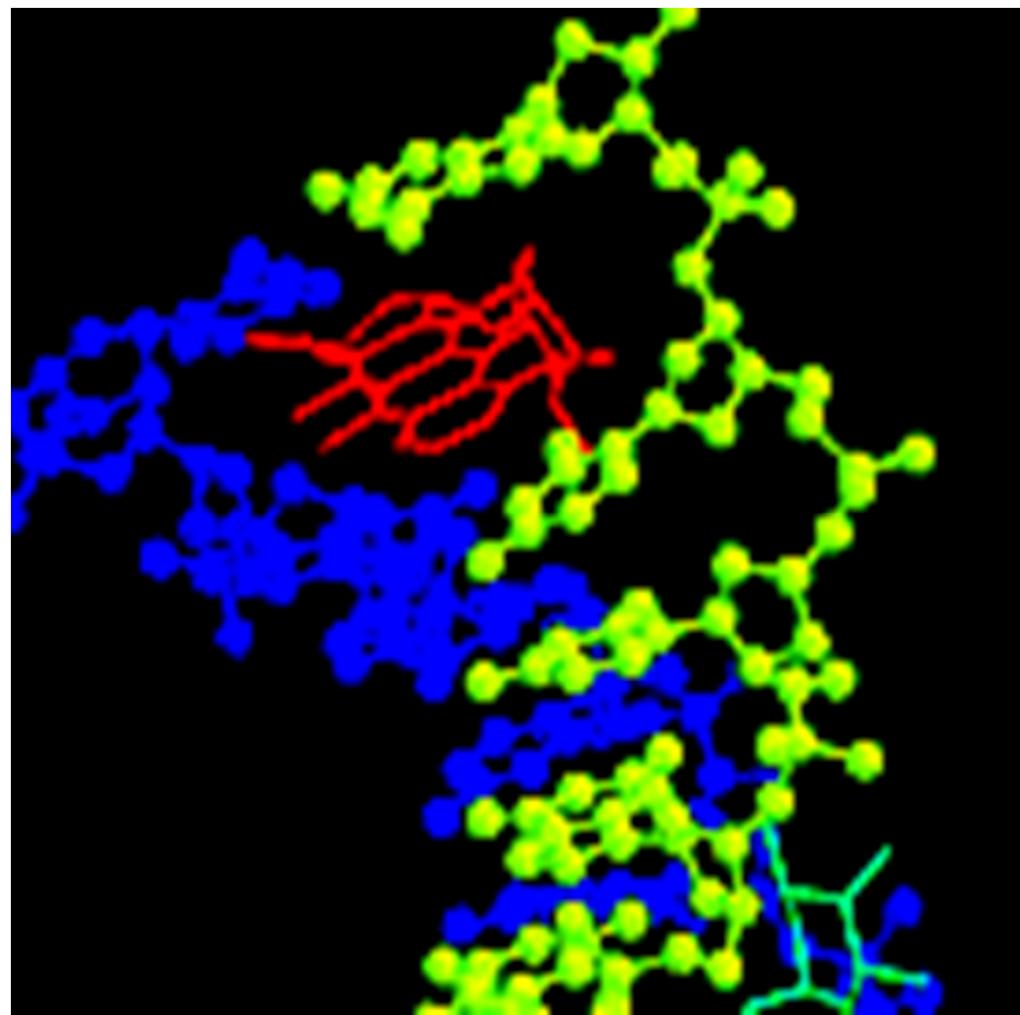


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Szabó R. et al. *Bioconjugate Chem.* **19**: 1078 (2008)  
Reményi, J. et al. *Biochim. Biophys. Acta* **1798**: 2209 (2010)

# Daunosamine directed intercalation into minor groove

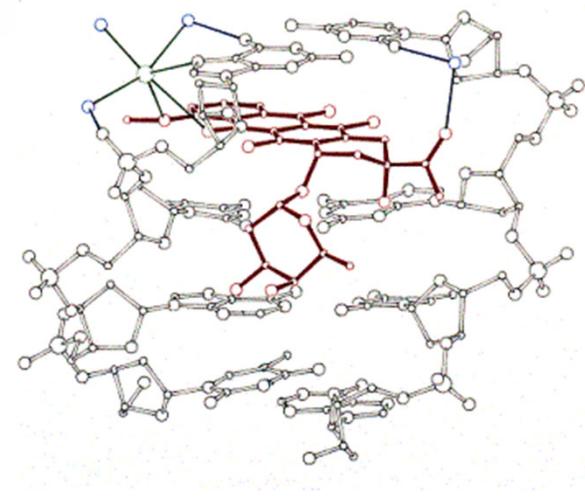
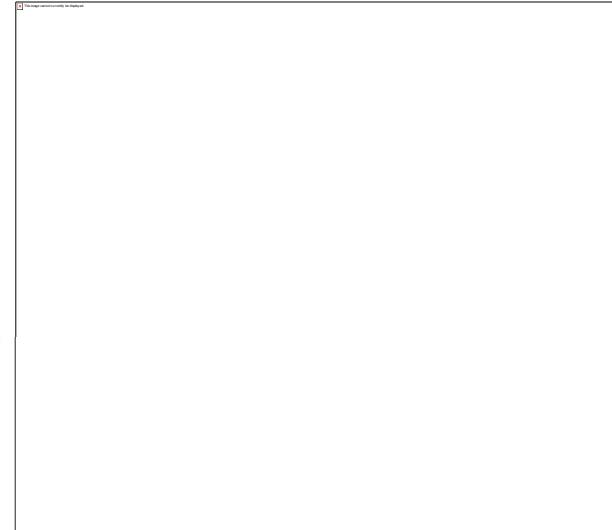


[Frederick, 1990]



# Daunomycin in tumour therapy

- Drug of anthracycline family
- Therapeutic use:  
leukaemias (AML, CML, ALL); lymphomas,  
rhabdomyosarcoma, neuroblastoma
- Side effects:
  - Decreased white blood cell count
  - Cardiotoxic effect
  - Nausea and vomiting
  - Hair loss
- Mechanism of action:
  - intercalating DNA,
  - stabilisation DNA-topoisomerase II complex,
  - enhancing the production of free radicals



[www.chemocare.com](http://www.chemocare.com)

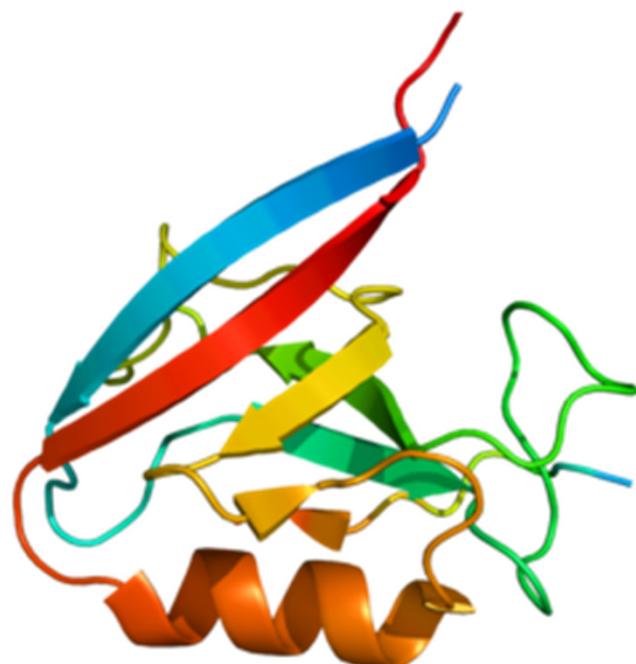
[www.cincinnatichildrens.org](http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org)

Wang-Peng, J. et al, Cancer (2006) 23: 113-121

Laurent, G. et al, Blood. (2001) 98:913-24.

# ErbB2 receptor and peptide LTVSPWY as ligand

- ErbB2: overexpressed by certain cell lines (e.g. SK-BR-3)
- ErbB2 ligand: binding and internalization (e.g. breast cell lines)



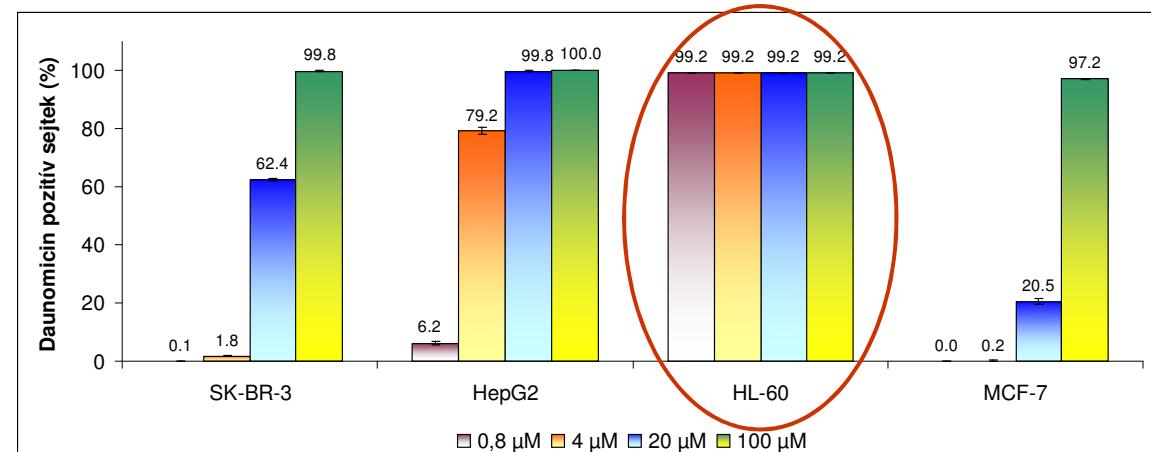
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Cytotoxicity:

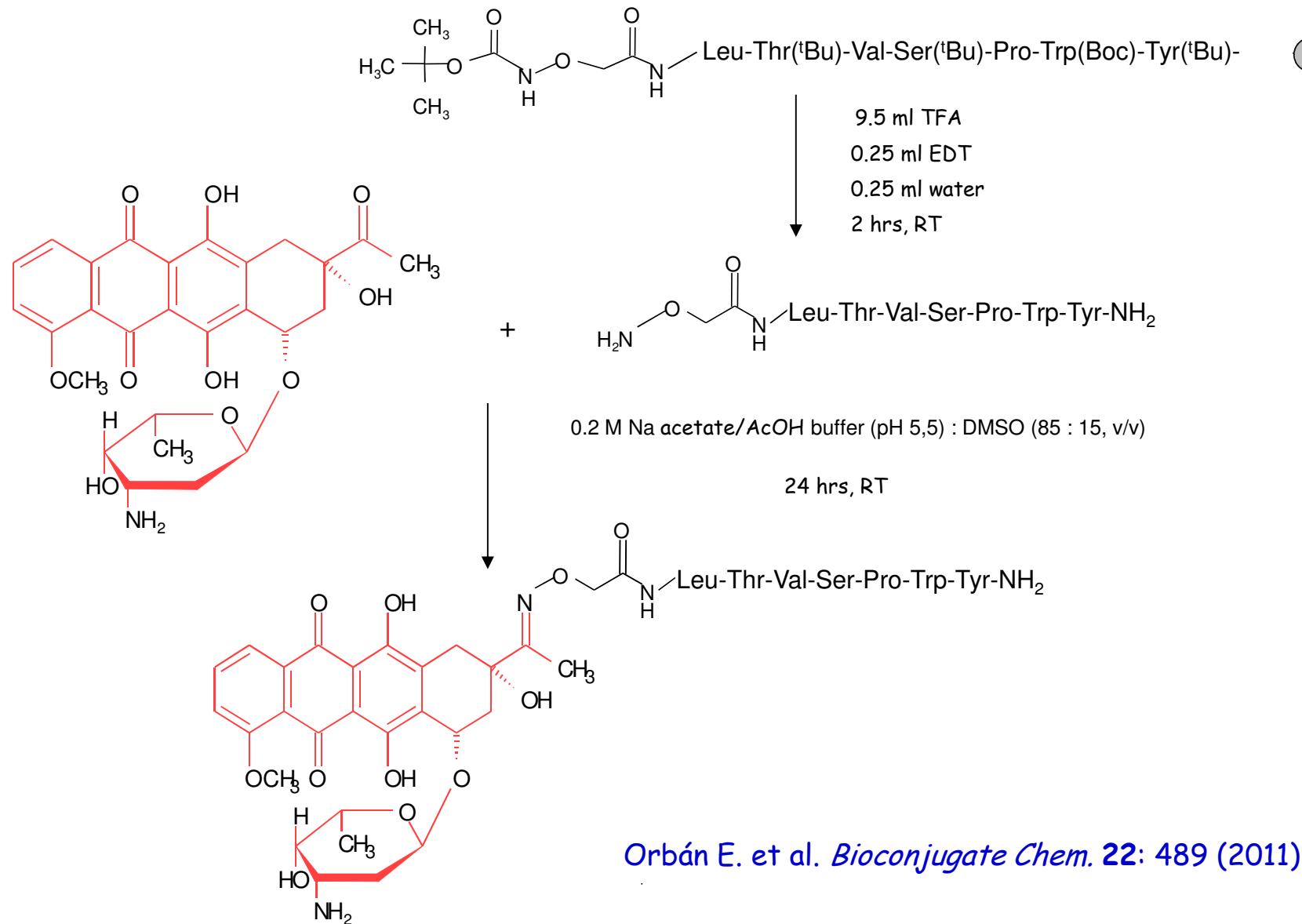
$IC_{50} : 0,53 +/- 0,12$  (HL-60)

$IC_{50} : 37,9 +/- 2,83$  (SK-BR-3)

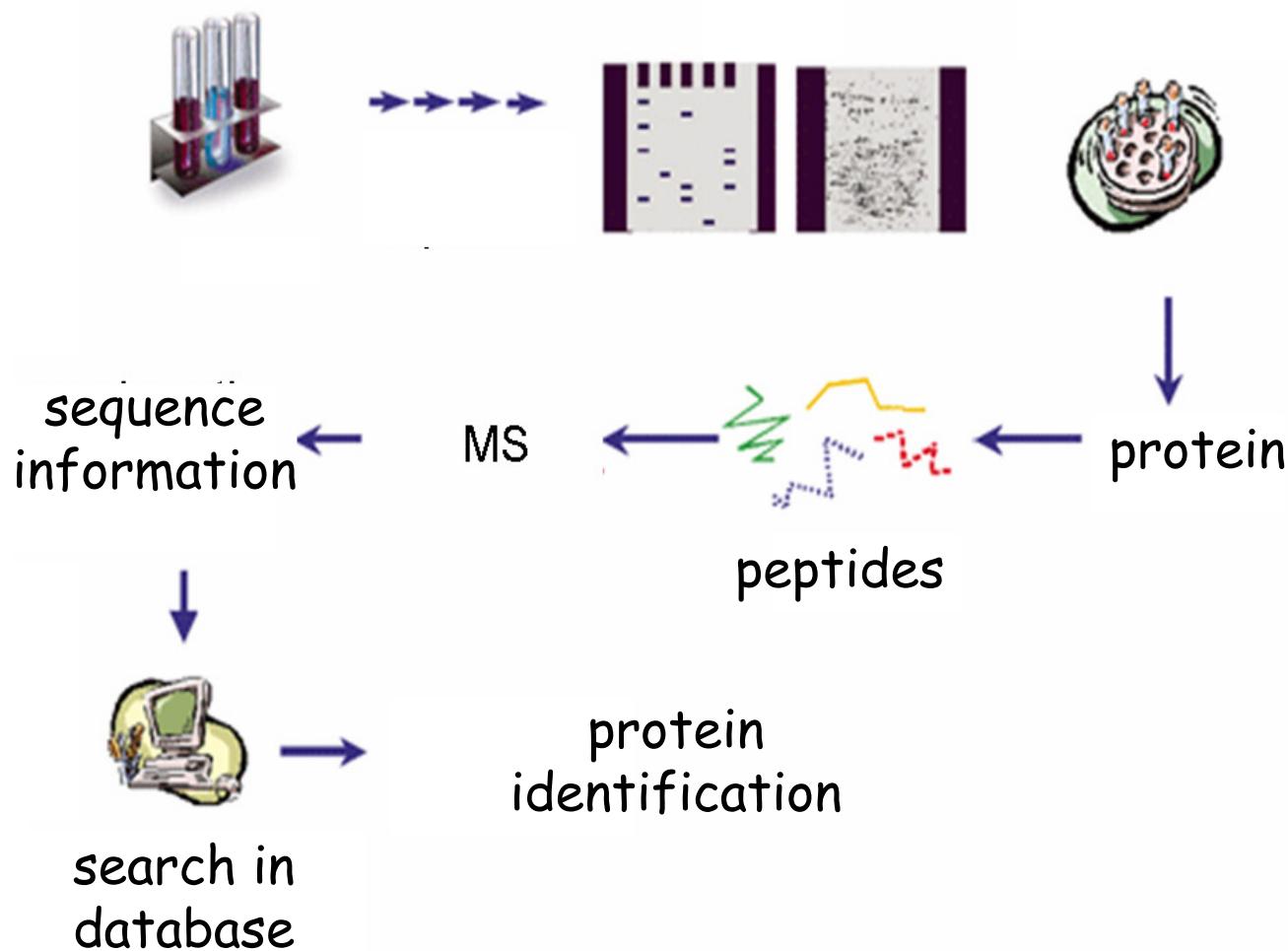
Cellular uptake (FACS):



## Synthesis of Dau-oligoarginine conjugates with oxime bond

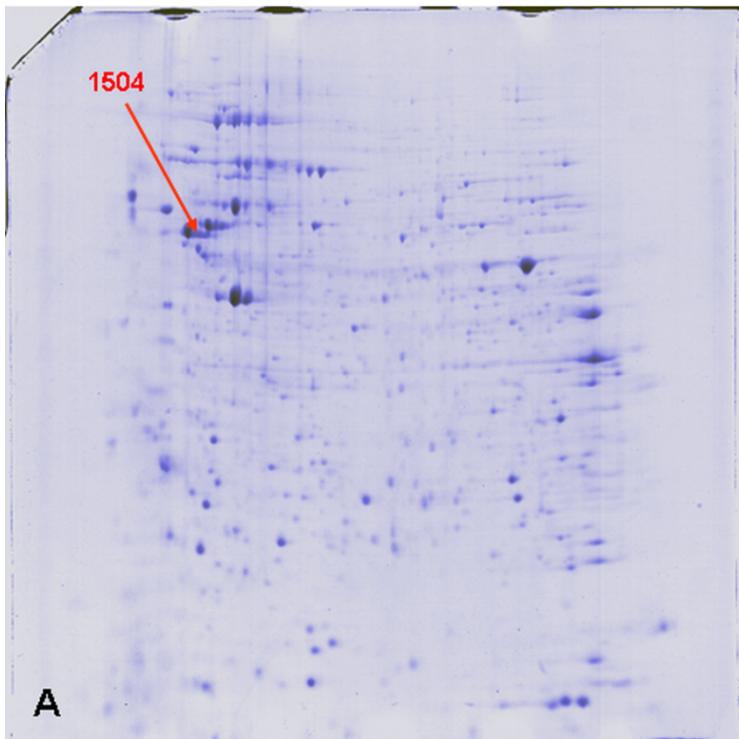


## Analysis of protein expression profile

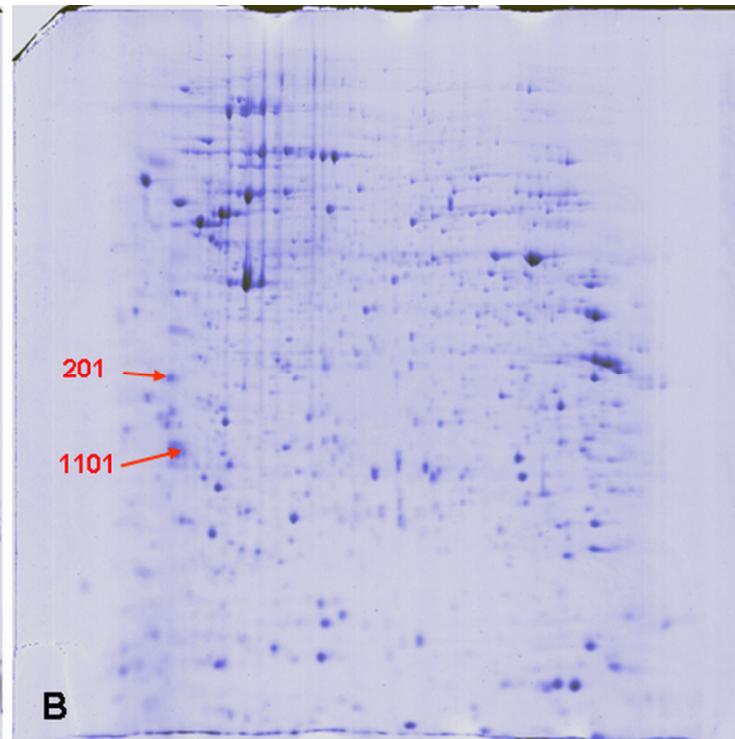


HL-60 cells: protein expression profile after treatment with daunomycin (A) or Dau=Aoa-LTVSPWY-NH<sub>2</sub> conjugate (B)

A: daunomycin, c = 0.024 μM



B: Dau=Aoa-LTVSPWY-NH<sub>2</sub> conjugate c = 9 μM



- tubulin beta chain (lower)
- proliferating cell nuclear antigen (higher)
- protein kinase C inhibitor protein 1 (higher)

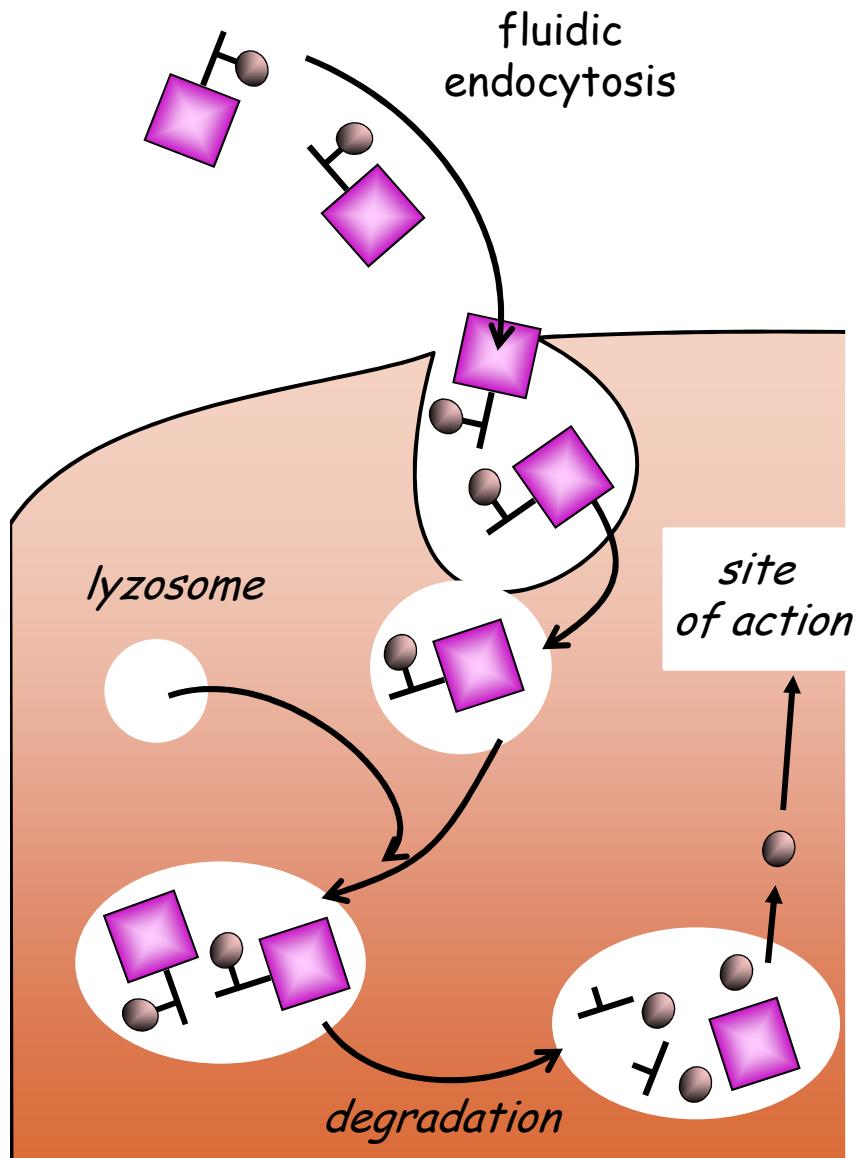
Treatment: 24 hrs

# Conclusion

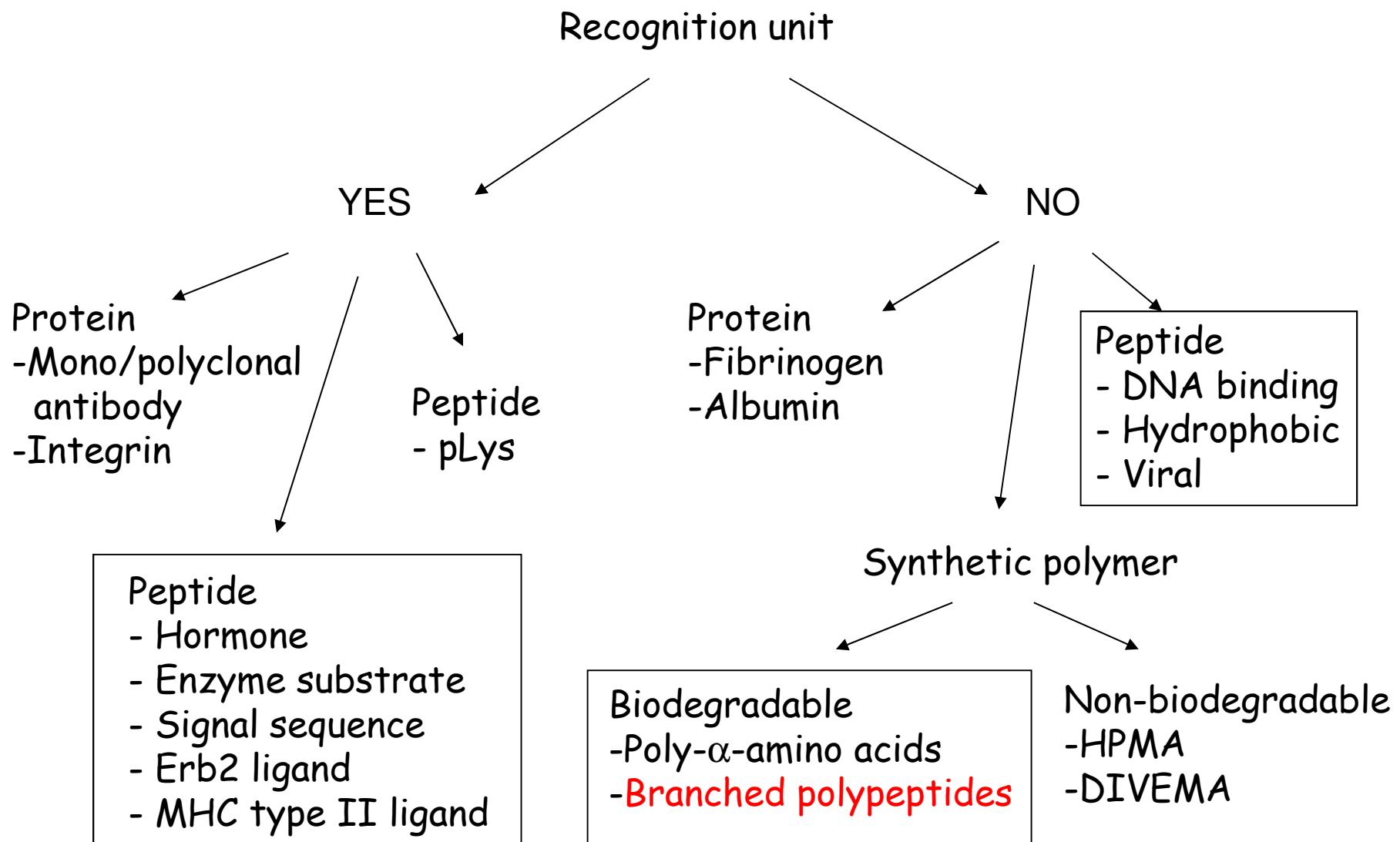


Erb2 ligand peptide - daunomycin conjugate could be used to identify target proteins and identify novel pathways.

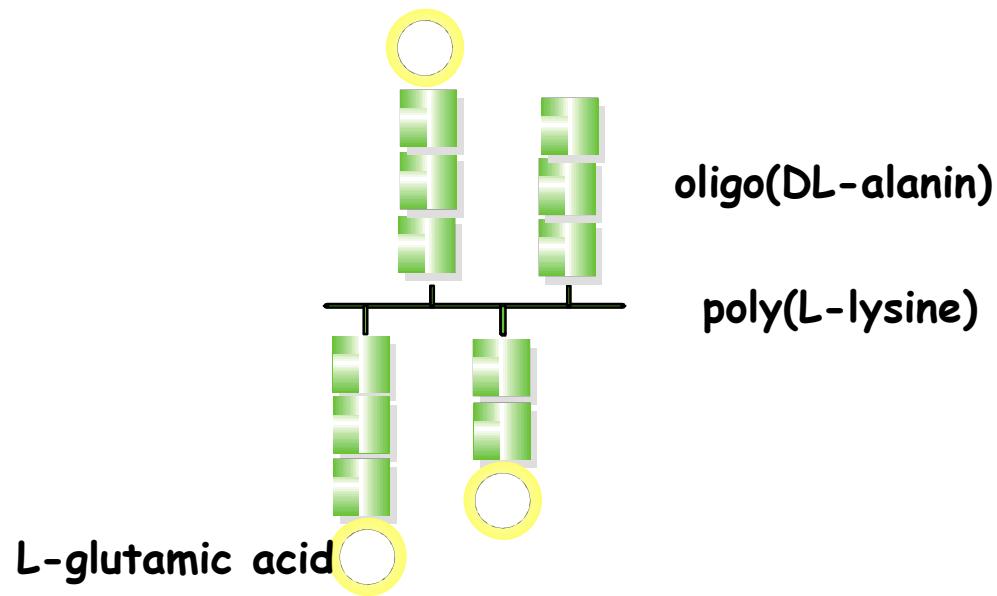
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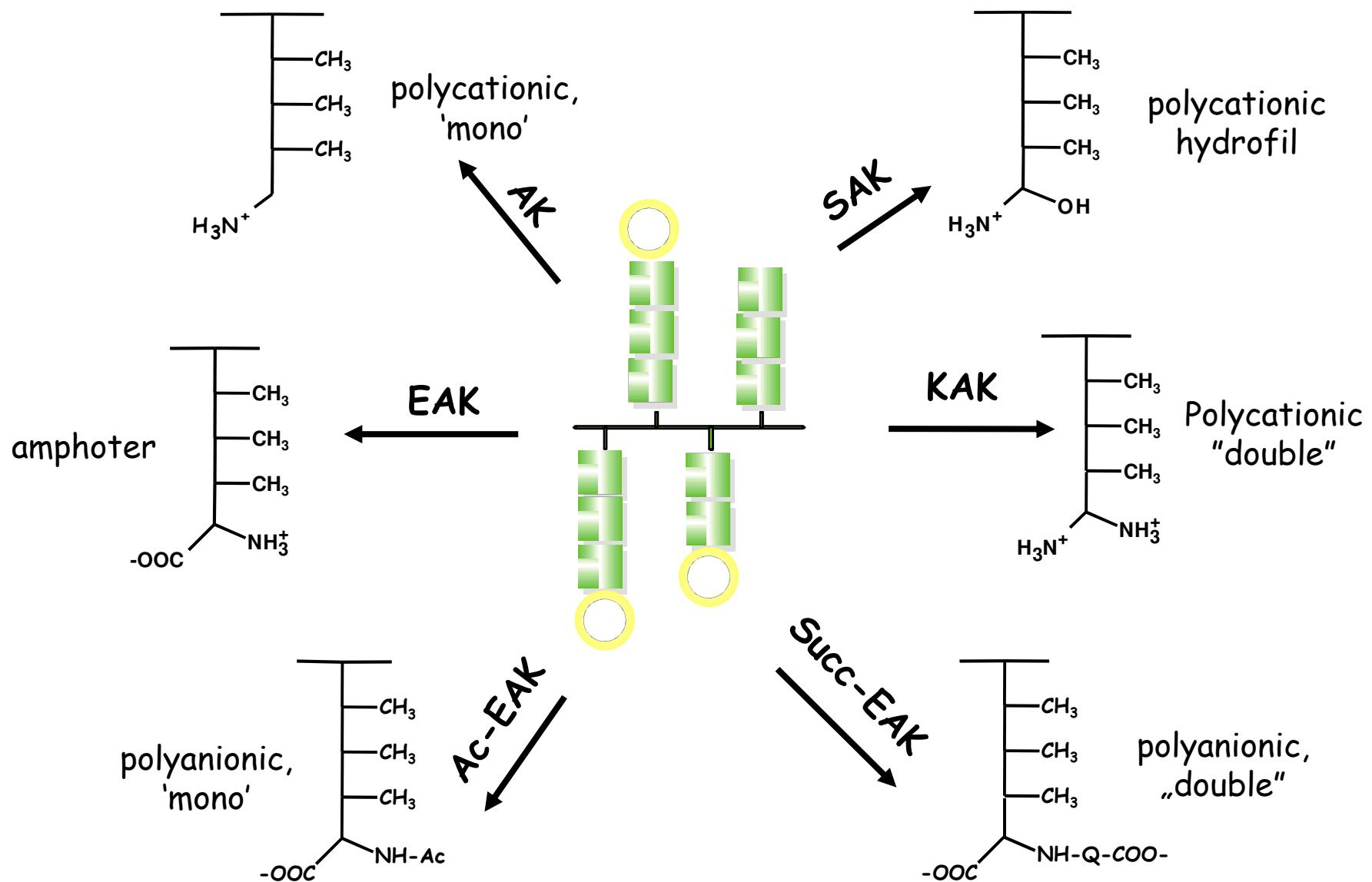


## Branched chain polypeptides



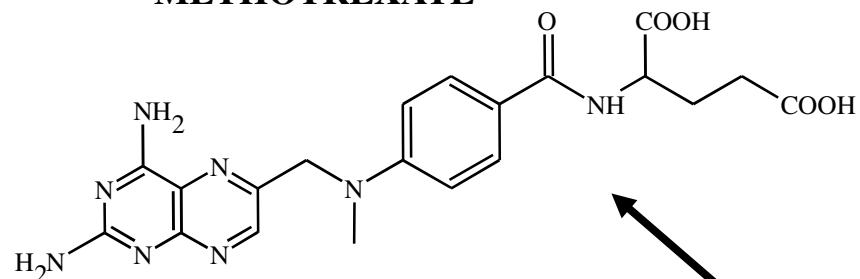
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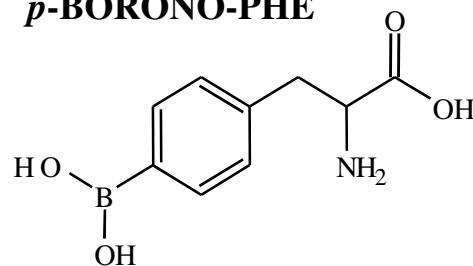
# Drug-polypeptide conjugates

## METHOTREXATE



Hudecz F. et al. *Bioconjugate Chem.* **4**: 25 (1993)  
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## p-BORONO-PHE



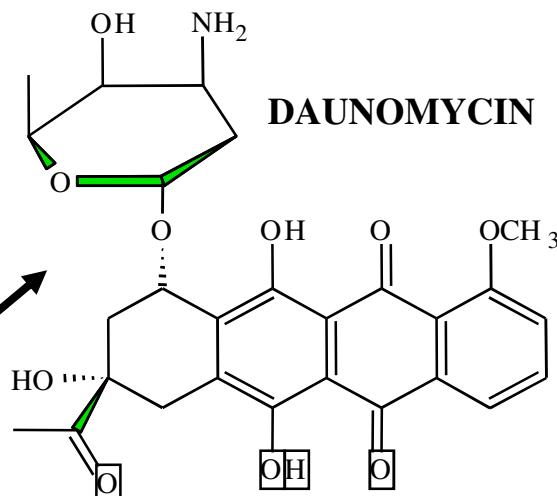
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## GN-RH ANTAGONIST, MI-1544

D-Trp-D-Cpa-D-Trp-Ser-Tyr-D-Lys-Leu-Arg-Pro-D-Ala

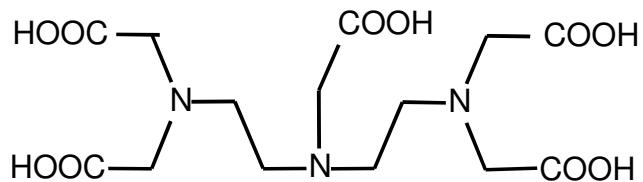
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Vincze, B. et al. *J. Cancer Res. Clin. Onc.* **120**: 578 (1994)

## DAUNOMYCIN



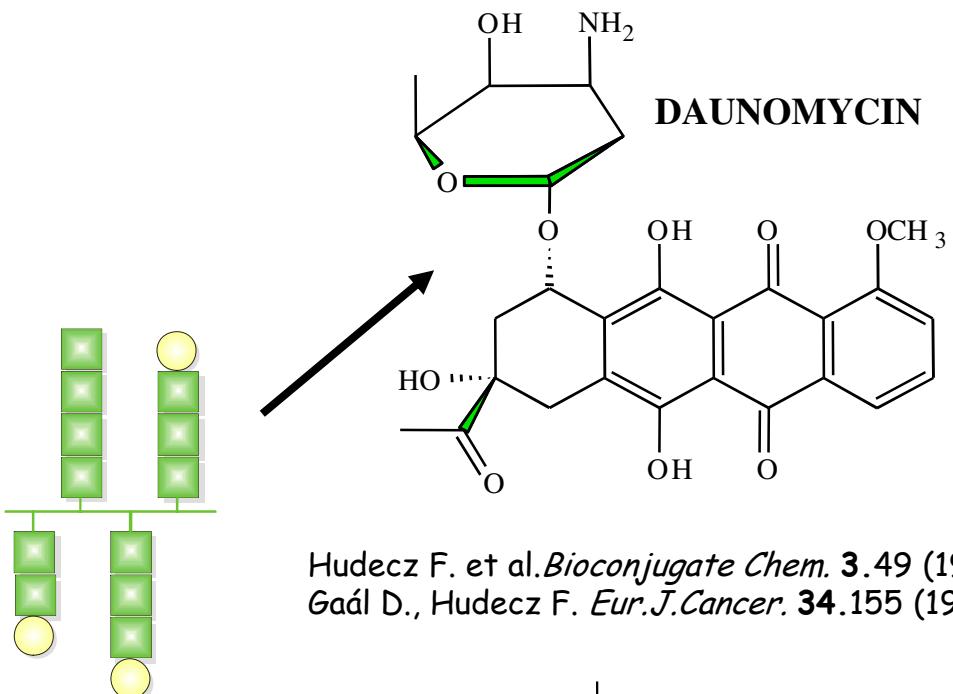
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## DIETHYLENE-TRIAMINE-PENTAACETIC ACID



Pimm MV. et al. *Int. J. Pharmaceutics* **79**: 77 (1992)  
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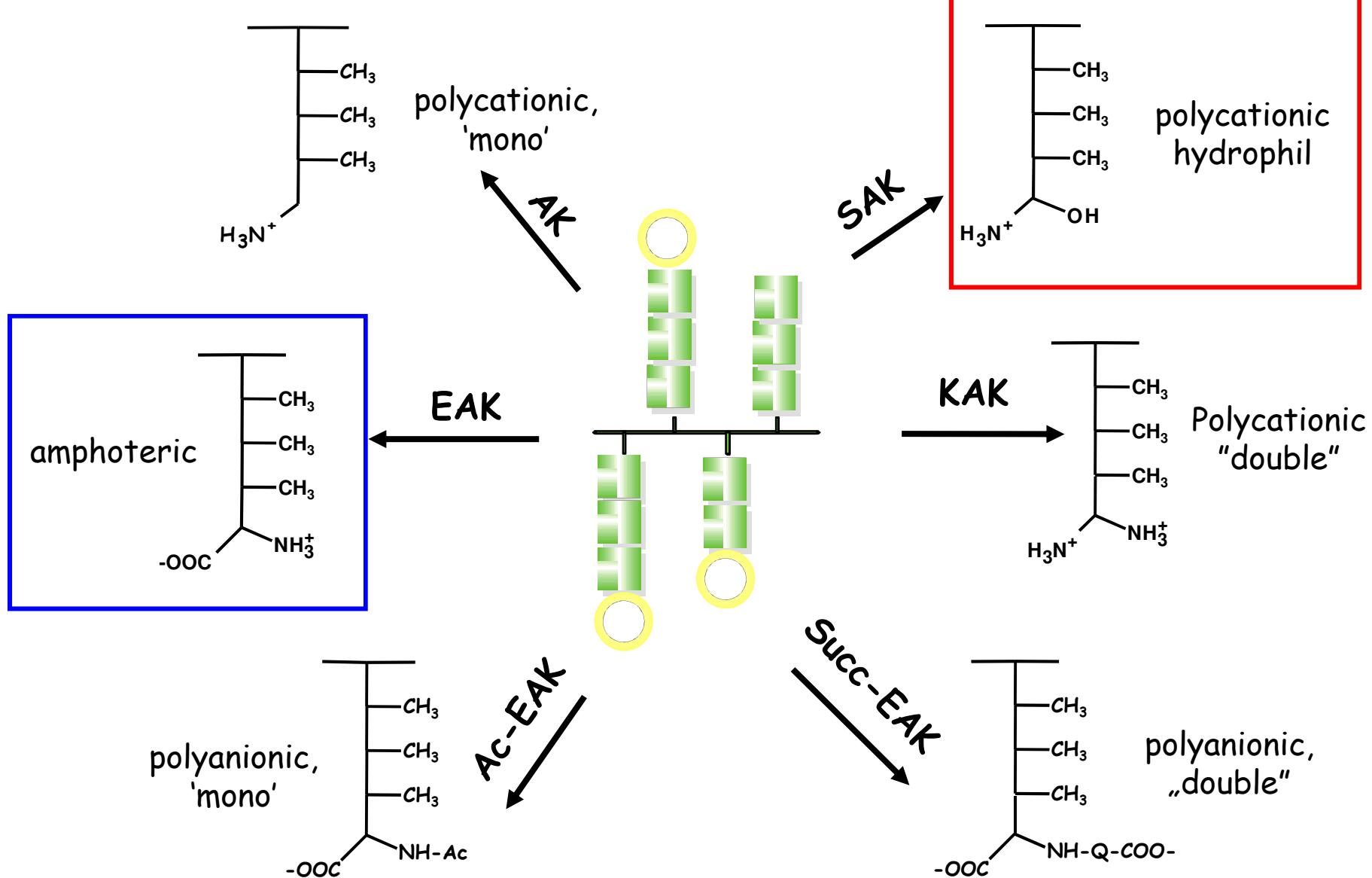
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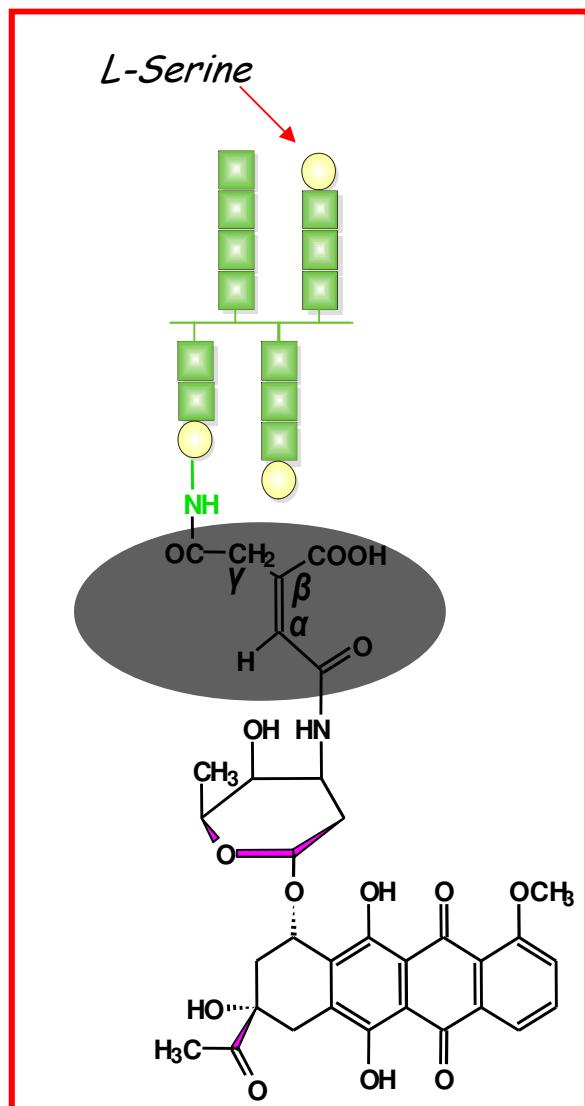
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**Antitumour effect**

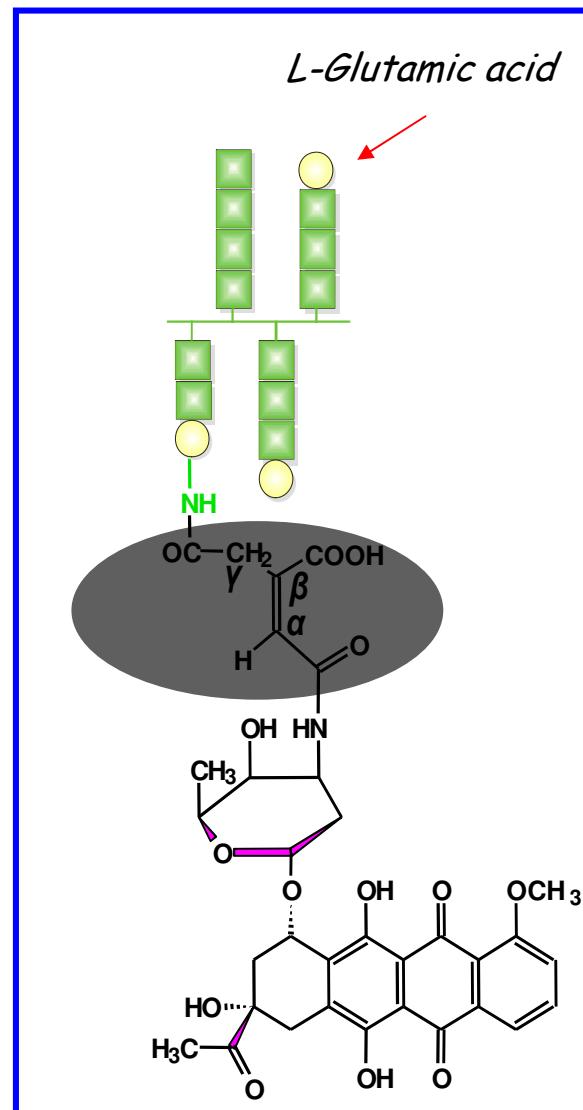
# Branched chain polypeptides



# Daunomycin-polypeptide conjugates



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# In vivo toxicity of Dau and cAD-SAK polypeptide conjugate

Treatment (i.p. 1x)	Dose (mg/kg)	Dose of drug bound to polymer	Mean survival (days)	Survivors /total	Survival (%)
Dau	1		-	7/7	100
	2		-	7/7	100
	4		-	6/7	86
	6		-	4/7	57
	8		16,0±1,7	0/7	0
	15		7,6±0,8	0/7	0
Control	-	-	-	7/7	100
cAD-SAK	180	10	-	6/6	100
Dau + SAK	6+102	6	-	2/5	40,0
SAK	102	-	-	5/5	100
Daunomycin	6	-	-	2/6	33,3
Control	-	-	-	6/6	100

Hudecz et al. J.Mol.Recognition 16: 327 (2003)

# In vivo toxicity of Dau and cAD-EAK polypeptide conjugate

Treatment (i.p. 1x)	Dose (mg/kg)	Dose of drug bound to polymer	Mean survival (days)	Survivors /total	Survival (%)
Dau	1	-	-	7/7	100
	2		-	7/7	100
	4		-	6/7	86
	6		-	4/7	57
	8		16.0±1.7	0/7	0
	15		7.6±0.8	0/7	0
Control	-	-	-	7/7	100
cAD-EAK	135	15	-	7/7	100
	205	22,5		7/7	100
	270	30		7/7	100
Dau + EAK	120+15	15	9.0±1.0	0/7	0
EAK	120	-	-	7/7	100

Gáál,D. and Hudecz,F. Eur.J.Cancer. 3: 49 (1998)

## Antitumour effect of cAD-SAK conjugate on L1210 leukemia *in vivo*

Treatment* (i.p. 1x)	Dose (mg/kg)	Daunomycin content	Mean survival (day)	T/C (%)	Survivor/ total	Survivor (%)
cAD-SAK	180	10	11,0±1,7	105	0/5	-
Daunomycin + SAK	6+102	5	20,6±5,1	180	0/5	-
SAK	170		12,4±4,9	113,6	0/5	-
Daunomycin	6		16,4±2,8	139	0/5	-
Control			10,6±1,9	100	0/5	-

\* Treatment one day after the i.p. inoculation of  $5 \times 10^6$  L1210 cells i.p. 60-day experiment

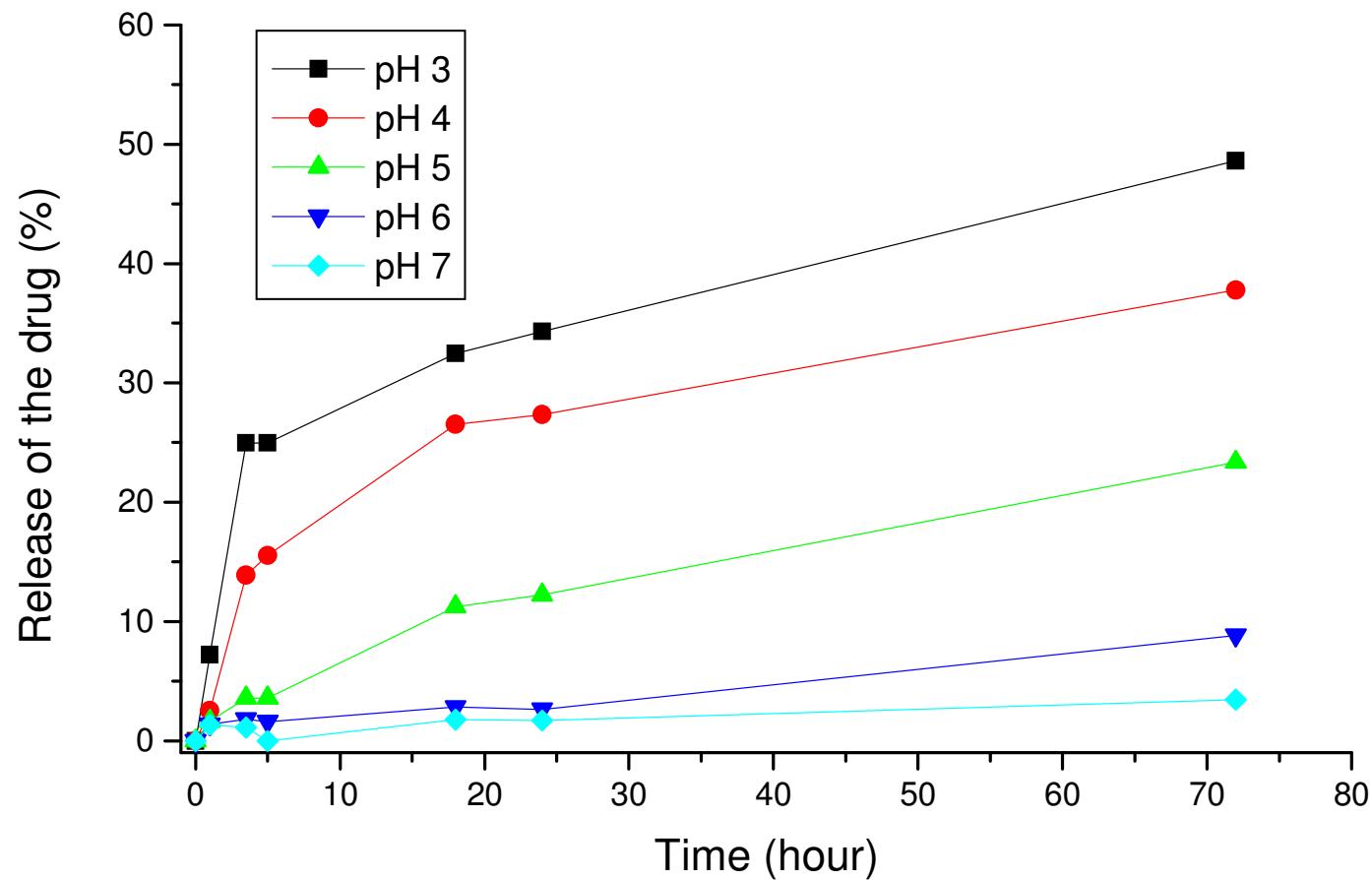
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## Antitumour effect of cAD-EAK conjugate on L1210 leukemia *in vivo*

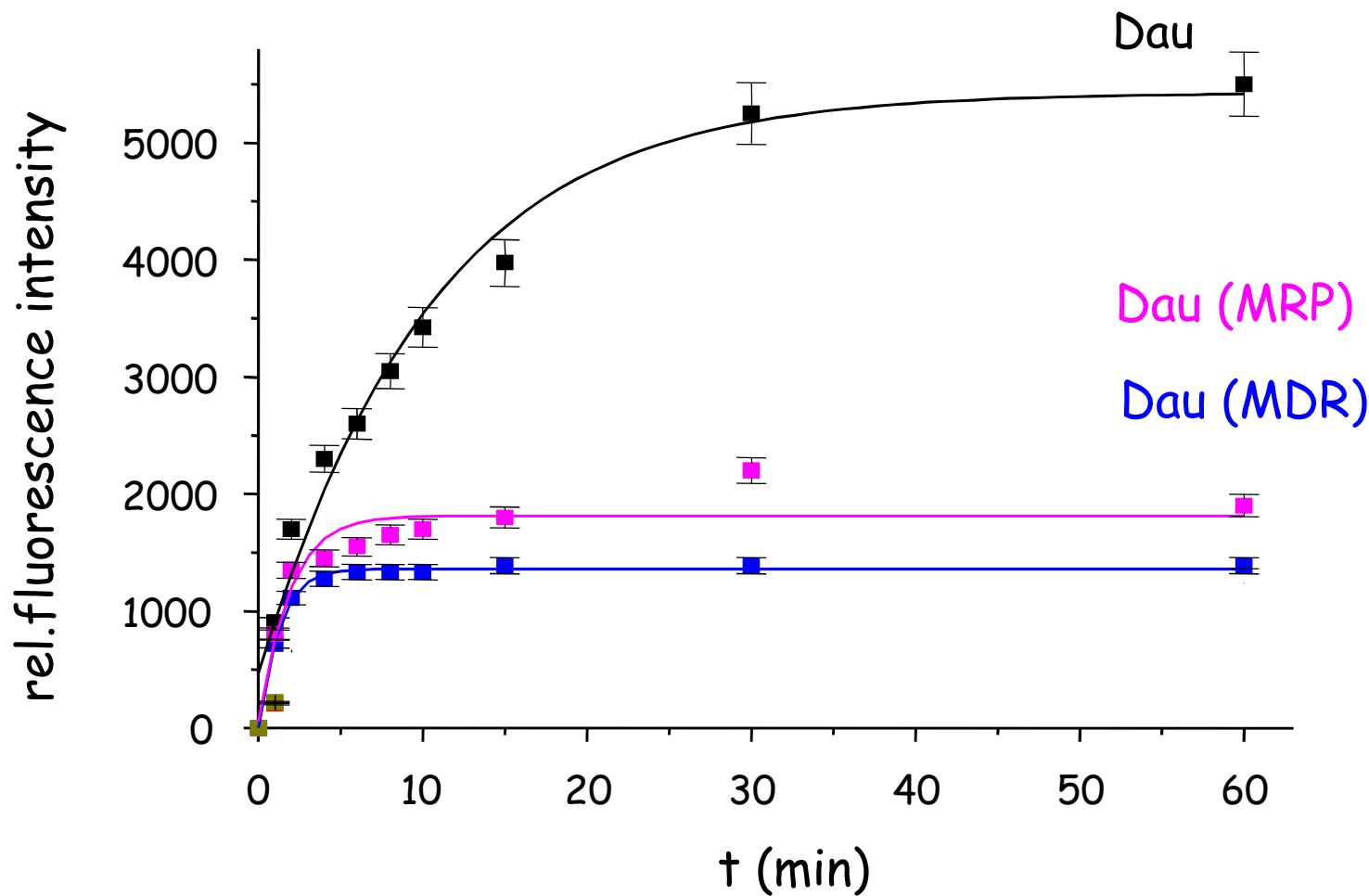
Treatment*	Dose (i.p. 1x) (mg/kg)	Daunomycin content	Mean survival (day)	T/C (%)	Survivor/ total	Survivor (%)
cAD-EAK	45	5			4/5	80
	90	10			5/5	100
	4*18	2			3/5	60
Daunomycin + EAK	5+40		14.6±2.7	152	0/5	-
EAK	80		9.0±0.7	94	0/5	-
Daunomycin	5		13.2±2.2	138	0/5	-
	6		14.6±3.1	152	0/5	-
	10		7.8±0.8	81	0/5	-
4*2 (qd)			13.4±2.9	140	0/5	-
Control			9.6±0.5	100	0/5	-

\* Treatment one day after the i.p. inoculation of  $5 \times 10^6$  L1210 cells i.p. 60-day experiment

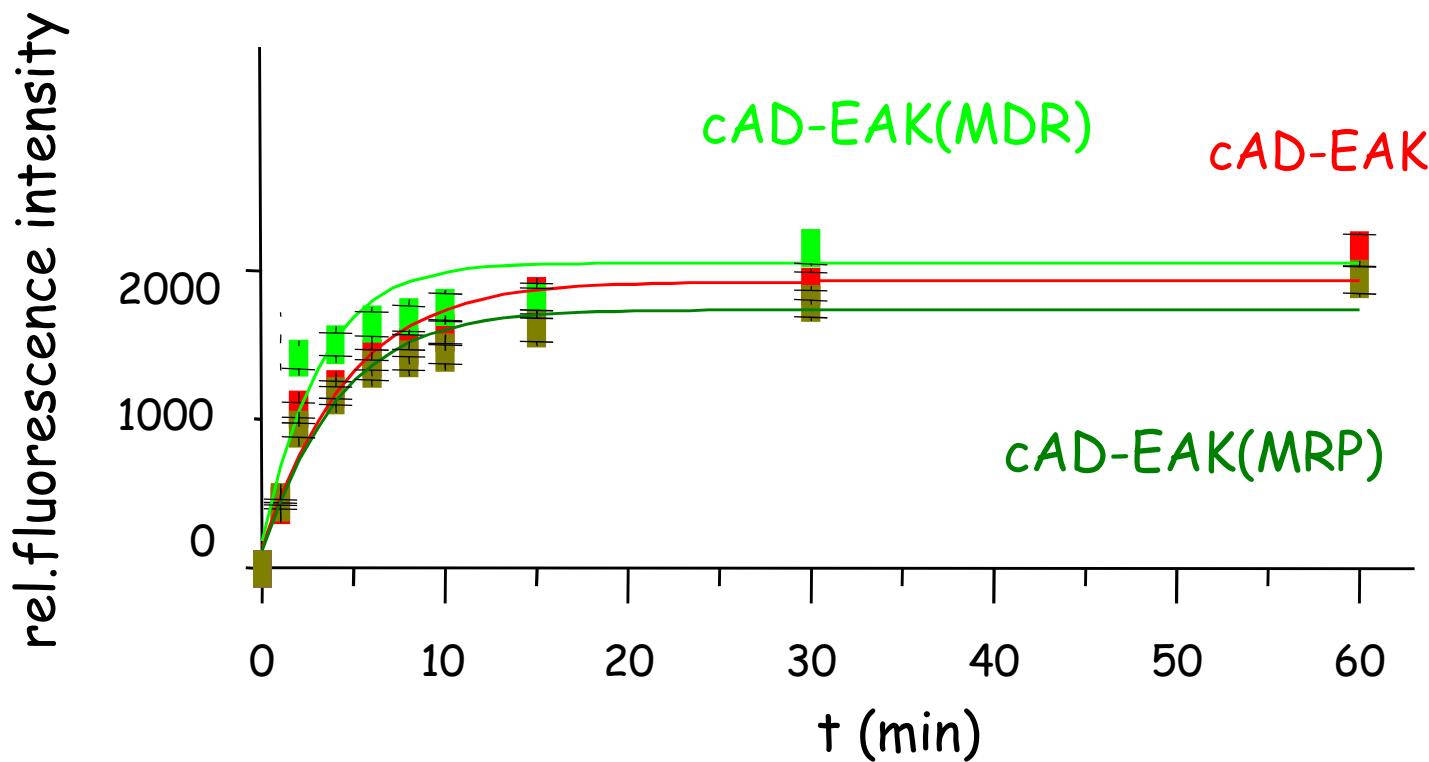
# Release of daunomycin from cAD-EAK conjugates



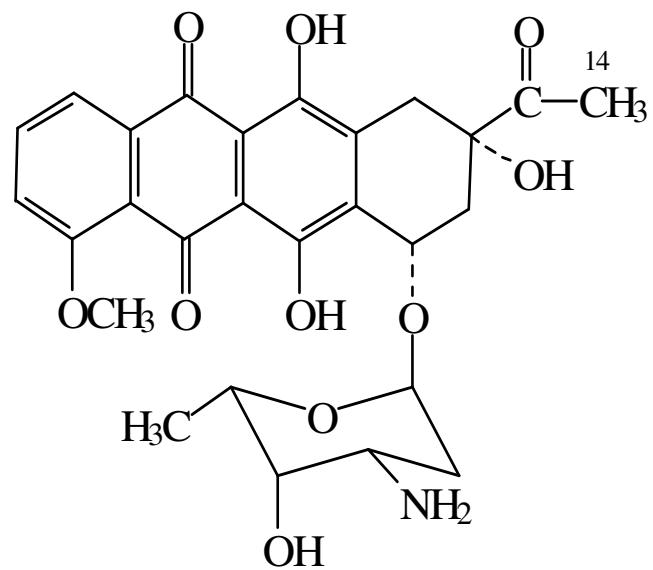
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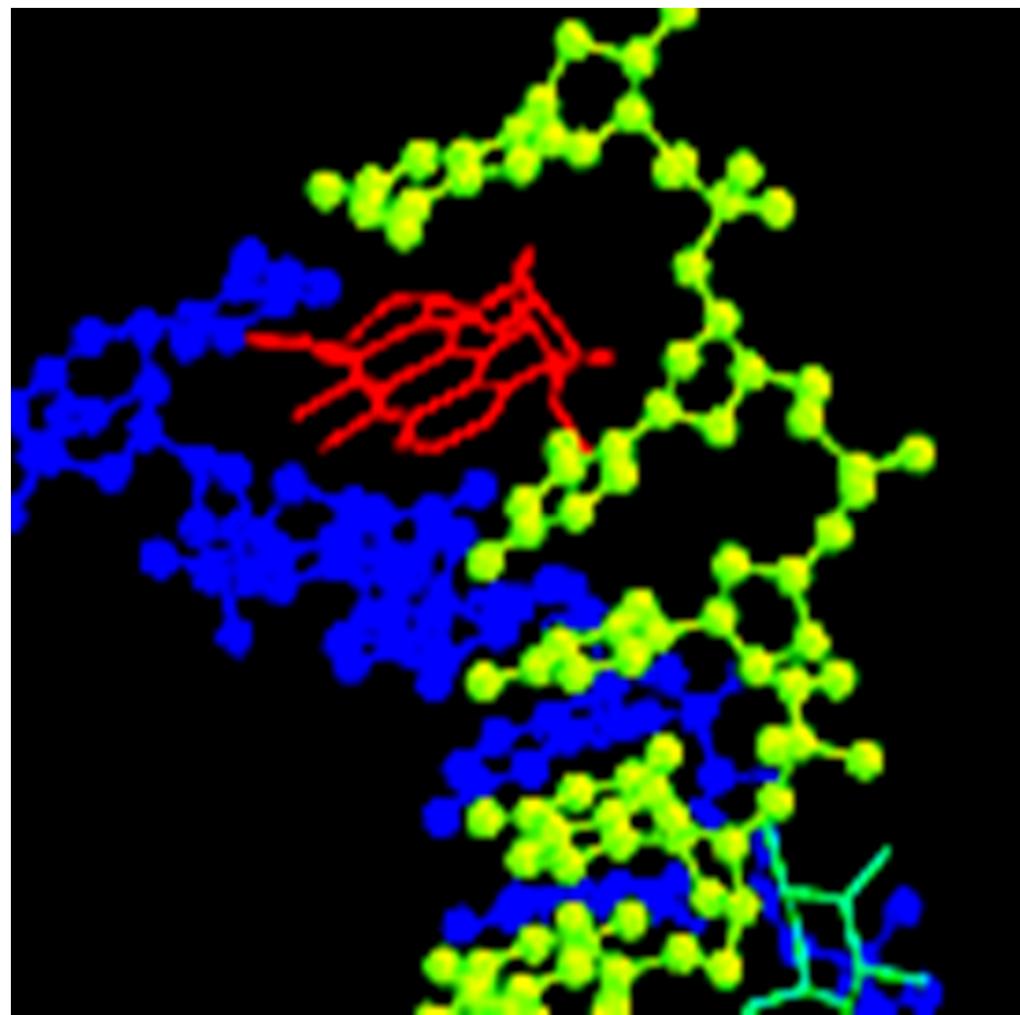
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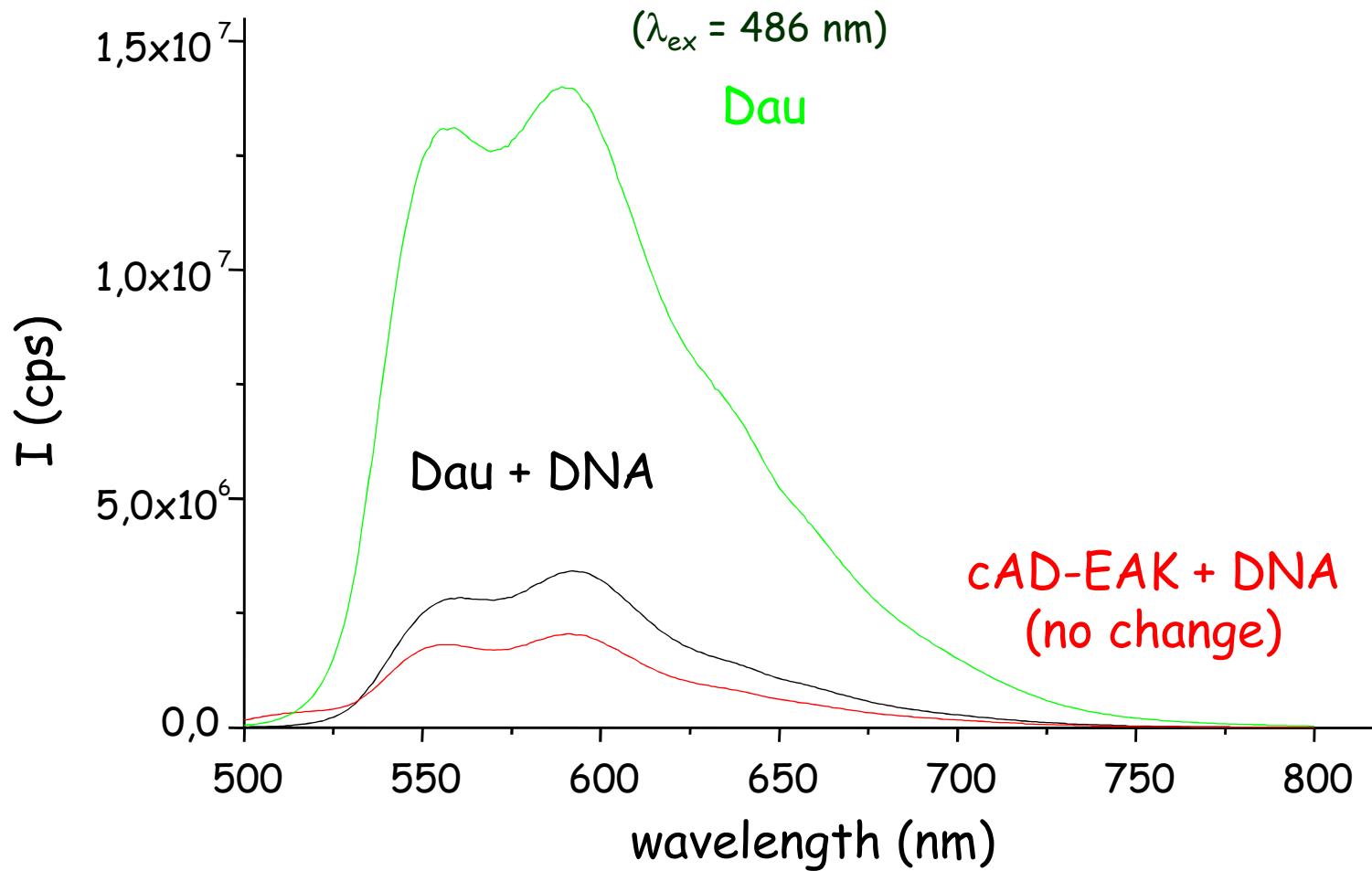
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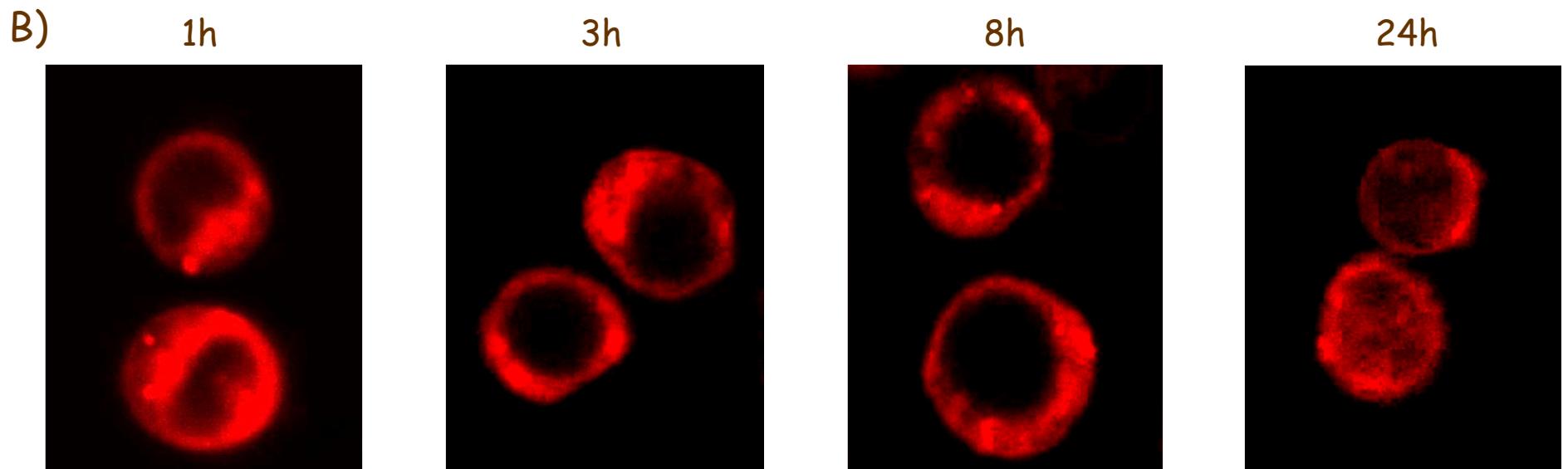
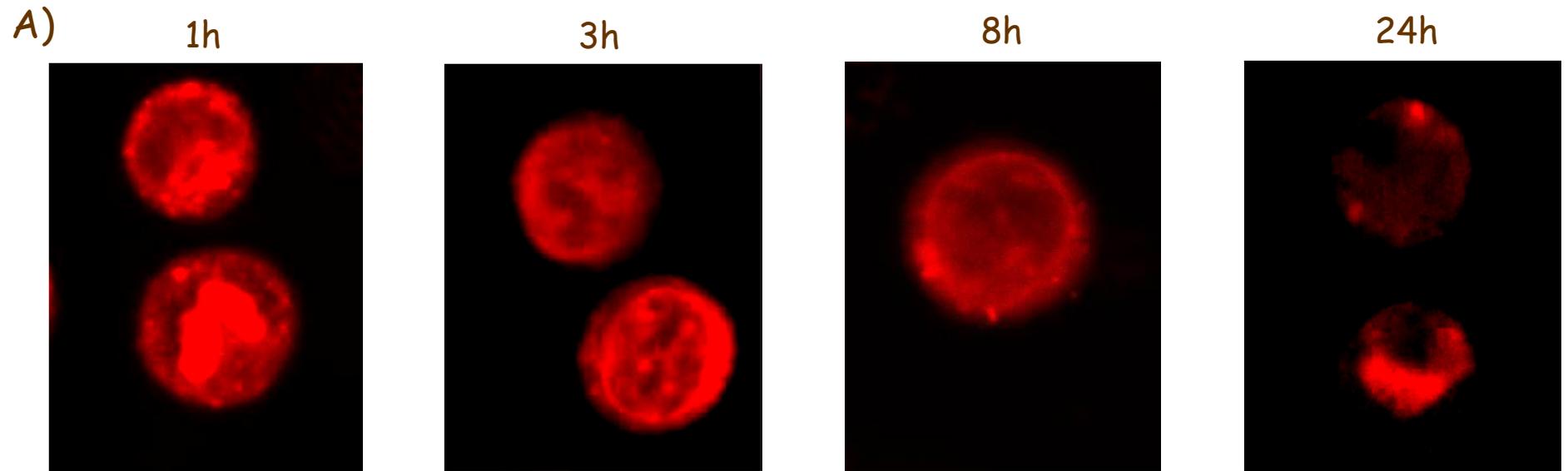
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# Fluorescence spectra of daunomycin and cAD-EAK conjugate in the absence or presence of DNA



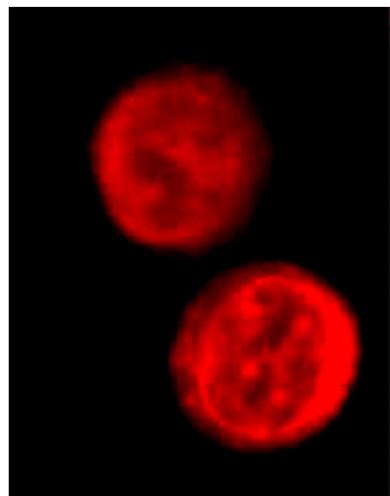
Time dependent localization of daunomycin (2  $\mu$ M) (A) and cAD-EAK conjugate (daunomycin: 2  $\mu$ M) (B) in HL-60/sensitive cells ( $f=0.13$ )



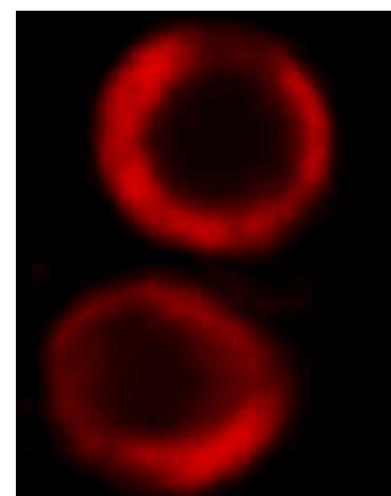
Localization of daunomycin ( $2 \mu\text{M}$ ) (A) and cAD-EAK conjugate (daunomycin:  $2 \mu\text{M}$ ) (B) in sensitive and resistant cells (3h)

HL-60/sensitive ( $f=0.13$ )

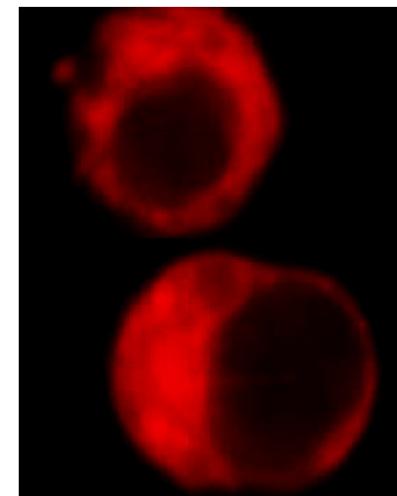
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HL-60/MDR1 ( $f=0.90$ )

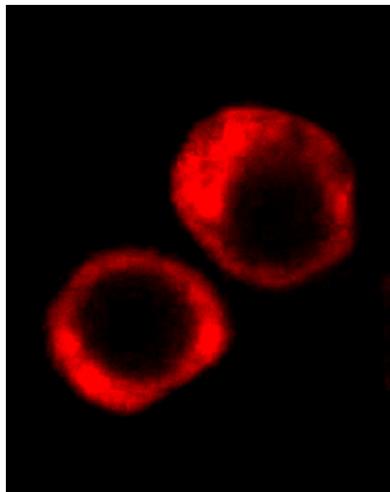


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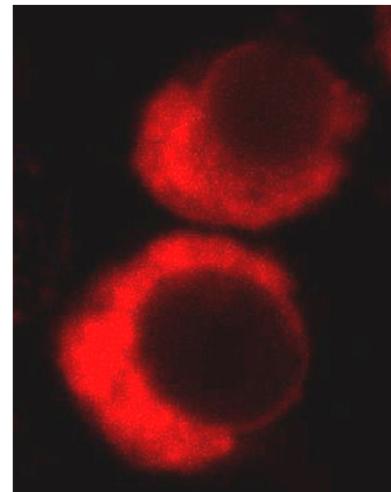


B) HL-60/sensitive ( $f=0.13$ )

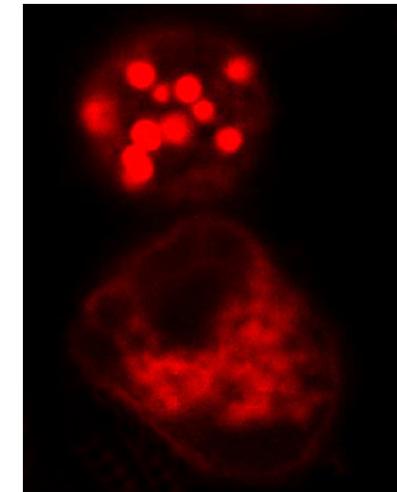
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HL-60/MDR1 ( $f=0.90$ )



HL-60/MRP1 ( $f=0.61$ )

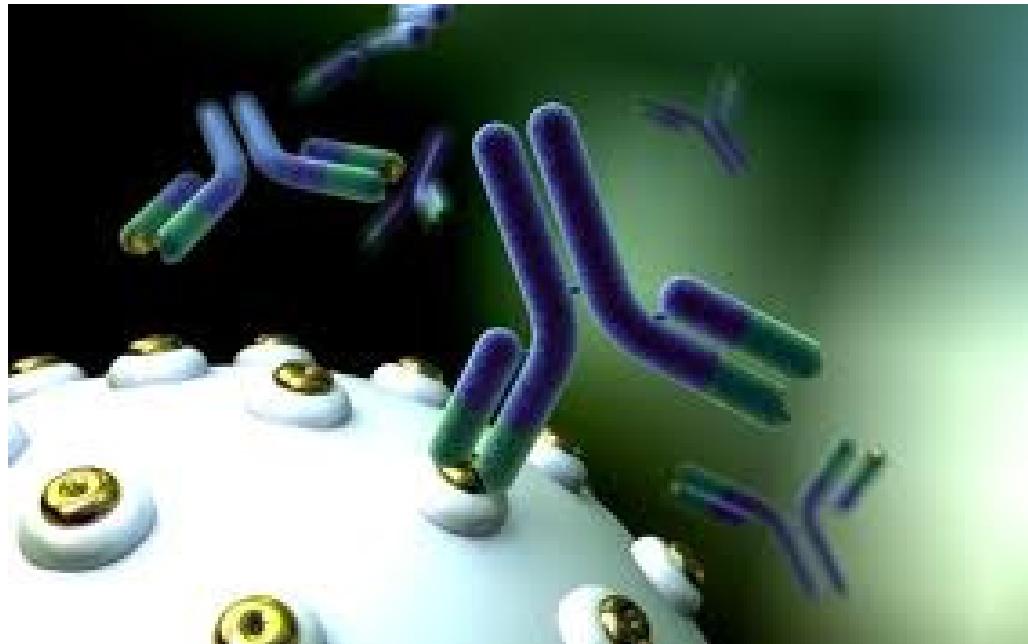


# Conclusions

1. Daunomycin conjugated with **polycationic** (SAK) or **amphoteric** (EAK) polypeptide exhibit no *in vivo* toxicity in mice at 10 mg/kg dose.
2. The antitumour effect of daunomycin-polypeptide conjugate **depends on the nature of the polypeptide** (cAD-EAK vs. cAD-SAK).
3. Daunomycin-peptide conjugate **is effective** against **sensitive** and **MDR resistant** L1210/HL60 tumour cells.
4. Daunomycin-peptide conjugate **is taken up by active transport (endocytosis)** both in sensitive and resistant HL60 tumour cells.
5. Daunomycin-peptide conjugate **is not** a ligand of MDR/MRP proteins.
6. Daunomycin-peptide conjugate **is present in the cytosol** of sensitive/resistant tumour cells.



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