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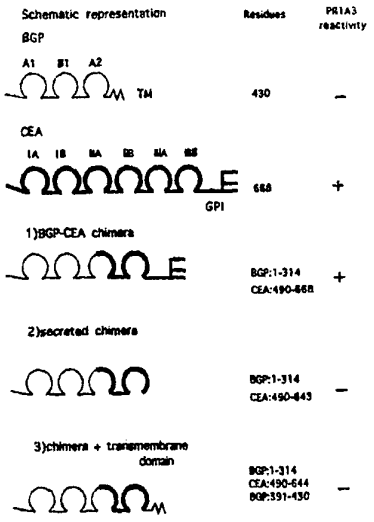

(57) **Abstract**

A molecule which (i) binds human membrane-bound carcinoembryonic antigen, (ii) binds a hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein joined (N-C) to residues 490 to C-terminus of human carcino embryonic antigen, but (iii) does not bind to human biliary glycoprotein excluding an intact mouse monoclonal antibody comprising an IgG group IIA heavy chain and a kappa group V light chain wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is QVKLQQSGPELKKPGETVKISCKASGYTFTVFGMNWVKQAPGKGLKWMGWINTKTGEATYVEEFKGRFAFSLETSATTAYLQINNLKNEDTAKYFCARWDFYDYVEAMDYWGQGTTVTVSS, or wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is as given immediately above but the first amino acid residue of the V_H CDR1 is glutamine and in either case the sequence of the V_L chain is GDIVMTQSQRFMSTSVGDRVSVTCKASQNVGTNVAWYQQKPGQSPKALIYSASYRYSGVPDRFTGSGSGTDFTLTISNVQSEDLAEYFCHQYYTYPLFTFGSGTKLEMKR. Preferably the molecule is a monoclonal antibody.

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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES FOR USE IN DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF COLORECTAL CANCER

The present invention relates to antibodies useful in diagnosing and treating colorectal cancer.

Antibodies are known that react with carcino-embryonic antigen (CEA), but they react with both membrane-associated CEA and soluble CEA and so are not especially useful in diagnosing colorectal cancer.

Monoclonal antibody PR1A3 was raised by fusion of NS1 (P3/NS1/I-Ag-4-1) myeloma cells with spleen cells from mice immunised with normal colorectal epithelium (Richman & Bodmer 1987). PR1A3 reacts strongly to both well and poorly differentiated colorectal carcinomas and has advantages over other colorectal epithelium-reactive antibodies since its antigen appears fixed to the tumour and does not appear in the lymphatics or normal lymph nodes draining a tumour (Granowska *et al* 1989). PR1A3 reacted with 59/60 colorectal tumours (Richman & Bodmer 1987), whereas CEA reactive B72.3 reacted with only 75% (Salvatore *et al* 1989). Although there is some evidence for weak binding to normal cells of the stomach, ileum, oesophagus, trachea and breast, *in vivo* studies have shown that the basement membrane prevents access by the antibody to these tissues (Granowska *et al* 1990).

PR1A3 has been distributed publicly, as immunoglobulin, although the hybridoma has not been made available. The precise epitope to which PR1A3 binds has not previously been known.

The present invention seeks to provide further molecules, including monoclonal antibodies with the same or better specificity for colorectal cancer as PR1A3. Such antibodies may be prepared by raising MAbs to

the newly discovered PR1A3 epitope which we have now found is part of the carcino-embryonic antigen (CEA), a tumour marker expressed in colorectal carcinomas.

A first aspect of the present invention provides a molecule which (i) binds membrane-bound human carcinoembryonic antigen (CEA), (ii) binds a hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein (BGP) joined (N-C) to residues 490 to C-terminus of intact human CEA, but (iii) does not bind to human BGP, but excluding an intact mouse monoclonal antibody comprising an IgG_1 group IIA heavy chain and a kappa group V light chain wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is

QVKLQQSGPELKKPGETVKISCKASGYTFTVFGMNWVKQAPGKGLKWMGWINTKTGEATY
VEEFKGRFAFSLETSATTAYLQINNLKNEDTAKYFCARWDFYDYVEAMDYWGQGTTVTVS
S (SEQ ID No 1)

, or wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is as given immediately above but the first amino acid residue of the V_H CDR1 is glutamine

and in either case the sequence of the V_L chain is

GDIVMTQSQRFMSTSVGDRVSVTCKASQNVGTNVAWYQQKPGQSPKALIYSASYRYSGVP
DRFTGSGSGTDFTLTISNVQSEDLAEYFCHQYYTYPLFTFGSGTKLEMKR (SEQ ID No 2)

The sequence of the V_H chain can also be written as:

Gln Val Lys Leu Gln Gln Ser Gly Pro Glu Leu Lys Lys Pro Gly Glu
Thr Val Lys Ile Ser Cys Lys Ala Ser Gly Tyr Thr Phe Thr Val Phe
Gly Met Asn Trp Val Lys Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Lys Trp Met
Gly Trp Ile Asn Thr Lys Thr Gly Glu Ala Thr Tyr Val Glu Glu Phe
Lys Gly Arg Phe Ala Phe Ser Leu Glu Thr Ser Ala Thr Thr Ala Tyr
Leu Gln Ile Asn Asn Leu Lys Asn Glu Asp Thr Ala Lys Tyr Phe Cys
Ala Arg Trp Asp Phe Tyr Asp Tyr Val Glu Ala Met Asp Tyr Trp Gly
Gln Gly Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser Ser

The sequence of the V_L chain can also be written as:

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Gly Asp Ile Val Met Thr Gln Ser Gln Arg Phe Met Ser Thr Ser Val
Gly Asp Arg Val Ser Val Thr Cys Lys Ala Ser Gln Asn Val Gly Thr
Asn Val Ala Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Ser Pro Lys Ala Leu
Ile Tyr Ser Ala Ser Tyr Arg Tyr Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Thr
Gly Ser Gly Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr Leu Thr Ile Ser Asn Val Gln
Ser Glu Asp Leu Ala Glu Tyr Phe Cys His Gln Tyr Tyr Thr Tyr Pro
Leu Phe Thr Phe Gly Ser Gly Thr Lys Leu Glu Met Lys Arg
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The first amino acid residue of the V_H CDR1 is a position 31 in the V_H sequence given.

It is preferred if the molecule is an antibody.

The hybrid polypeptide consisting of the N-A1-B1-(N-terminal half of A2) domains of BGP joined (N-C) to the (C-terminal half of A3)-B3-GPI domains of human CEA is described in detail in Example 1 and shown diagrammatically as chimaera 1 in Figure 8. It consists of residues 1 to 314 of BGP fused to residues 490 - C-terminus of CEA in a N-C fashion. The C-terminus of intact CEA is residue 668.

By "membrane-bound" we mean CEA as found in a colon carcinoma cell, for example the HT-29 cell line, a moderately well-differentiated grade II human colon adenocarcinoma cell line available from the American Type Culture Collection, 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland 20852, USA under catalogue number ATCC HTB 38.

By "binding" we mean that, when assessed by indirect immunofluorescence of acetone-fixed CEA-positive cell monolayers grown in cover slips, a positive signal is seen following incubation with a fluorescence conjugate anti-mouse (or human) IgG antibody. Example 7

describes a method of acetone fixation of cells and determination of binding.

That an antibody heavy chain is IgG_1 can be determined by reaction with antisera specific for the isotype sera in immunodiffusion gels (Ouchterlony technique) or by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assays (ELISA). Monoclonal antibodies which react against, and are diagnostic for, mouse IgG heavy chain are commercially available, for example the rat monoclonal antibody clone name LO-MG1-2 available from Serotec, 22 Bankside, Station Approach, Kidlington, Oxford OX5 1JE, UK, and has an avidity of $9 \times 10^8\ M^{-1}$.

That an antibody light chain is kappa can be determined by reaction with specific antisera in immunodiffusion gels and by ELISA. Monoclonal antibodies which react against, and are diagnostic for, mouse kappa light chain are commercially available, for example the rat monoclonal antibody clone name MRC OX-20 available from Serotec.

IgG group IIA and kappa group V refer to sub-types of the V-regions and are defined by the sequence of the V-region frameworks as described by Kabat *et al* (1991) *Sequence of Proteins of Immunological Interest*, fifth edition, US Department of Health and Human Services, NIH Publication No 91-3242 incorporated herein by reference.

It is preferred if the molecule does not bind substantially to other naturally occurring human proteins that are present in the human body and whose location is in the bowel. Such proteins include collagen and serum albumin.

It is preferred if the molecule does not bind to N-A1-Fc, N-A1-B1-Fc or

N-A1-B1-A2-Fc where in A1, B1 and A2 are domains of CEA and Fc is the Fc portion of immunoglobulin.

It is further preferred if the molecule does not bind a B3 hybrid wherein the GPI anchor is removed or wherein the GPI anchor is replaced with a BGP transmembrane segment.

When the molecule is an antibody it is preferred if it comprises a human framework region and at least the complementarity determining regions of the V_H chain and V_L chain as defined in Claim 1 wherein for the V_H chain CDR1 is VFGMN (SEQ ID No 3), CDR2 is WINTKTGEATYVEEFKG (SEQ ID No 4) and CDR3 is WDFYDYVEAMDY (SEQ ID No 5) and for the V_L chain CDR1 is KASQNVGTNVA (SEQ ID No 6), CDR2 is SASYRYS (SEQ ID No 7) and CDR3 is HQYYTYPLFT (SEQ ID No 8).

PR1A3 is a mouse monoclonal antibody comprising an IgG_1 group IIA heavy chain and a kappa group V light chain wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is as stated above in the exclusion from the first aspect of the invention or wherein the first amino acid residue of the V_H CDR1 is glutamine and the sequence of the V_L chain is as stated above in the exclusion from the first aspect of the invention.

CEA is a member of the immunoglobulin super-gene family (reviewed in Thompson & Zimmermann 1988; Thompson *et al* 1991). CEA has a domain structure of N-A1-B1-A2-B2-A3-B3-GPI where GPI is a glycophosphatidylinositol membrane anchor. A significant degree of sequence homology exists between the domains of CEA and with other members of the family such as NCA.

Biliary glycoprotein (BGP) is also a member of the immunoglobulin gene

super-family and has a domain structure of N-A1-B1-A2-TM, where TM is a transmembrane domain, but the domains A1, B1 and A2 of BGP are not identical to those named A1, B1 and A2 in CEA.

By "antibody", we include monoclonal and polyclonal antibodies and we include antibody fragments which bind specifically but reversibly to (i) human CEA, (ii) a hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human BGP joined (N-C) to residues 490 to C-terminus of human CEA but (iii) do not bind to human BGP excluding an intact mouse monoclonal antibody comprising an IgG1 group IIA heavy chain and a kappa group V light chain wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is (as defined in Figure 1) or wherein the first amino acid residue of the V_H CDR1 is glutamine and the sequence of the V_L chain (is as defined in Figure 2).

It is preferred if the antibody or antibody fragment is derived from a monoclonal antibody.

Monoclonal antibodies may be prepared generally by the techniques of Zola, H. (1988) (*"Monoclonal Antibodies - A manual of techniques"* CRC Press) which is incorporated herein by reference. Antibody fragments such as Fab, $(Fab)_2$, Fv, scFv or dAb fragments may be prepared therefrom in known ways. The antibodies may be humanized in known ways for example, by inserting the CDR regions of mouse antibodies into the framework of human antibodies. Antibody-like molecules may be prepared using the recombinant DNA techniques of WO 84/03712. The region specific for the protein may be expressed as part of a bacteriophage, using the technique of McCafferty *et al* (1990) *Nature* **348**, 552-554.

Antibody-like molecules of the invention may be selected from phage

display libraries using the methods described in Griffiths *et al* (1993) *EMBO J.* **12**, 725-734 where CEA or hybrid proteins expressed in cells are immobilized and used to select phages. Also, appropriate cells grown in monolayers and either fixed with formaldehyde or glutaraldehyde or unfixed can be used to bind phages. Irrelevant phages are washed away and bound phages recovered by disrupting their binding to the CEA or hybrid protein and reamplifying in bacteria. This selection and amplification process is done several times to enrich the phage population for those molecules which are the antibody-like molecules of the invention.

We also include peptides selected from random peptide libraries in a similar way to those from phage display libraries in the antibody-like molecules of the invention.

The variable heavy (V_H) and variable light (V_L) domains of the antibody are involved in antigen recognition, a fact first recognised by early protease digestion experiments. Further confirmation was found by "humanisation" of rodent antibodies. Variable domains of rodent origin may be fused to constant domains of human origin such that the resultant antibody retains the antigenic specificity of the rodent parented antibody (Morrison *et al* (1984) *Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA* **81**, 6851-6855) or "CDR grafting" can be used to humanise rodent antibodies. Additionally or alternatively, recombinant monoclonal antibodies may be "primatised", ie antibodies formed in which the variable region of the heavy and light chains, or parts thereof, and the constant regions are derived from two different primate species, preferably the variable regions of the antibody from the macaque monkey, and the constant regions from human. The advantages of such antibodies include high homology to human immunoglobulin, presence of human effector functions, reduced

immunogenicity and longer serum half-life (Newman *et al* (1992) *Biotechnology* **10**, 1455).

That antigenic specificity is conferred by variable domains and is independent of the constant domains is known from experiments involving the bacterial expression of antibody fragments, all containing one or more variable domains. These molecules include Fab-like molecules (Better *et al* (1988) *Science* **240**, 1041); Fv molecules (Skerra *et al* (1988) *Science* **240**, 1038); single-chain Fv (ScFv) molecules where the V_H and V_L partner domains are linked via a flexible oligopeptide (Bird *et al* (1988) *Science* **242**, 423; Huston *et al* (1988) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **85**, 5879) and single domain antibodies (dAbs) comprising isolated V domains (Ward *et al* (1989) *Nature* **341**, 544). A general review of the techniques involved in the synthesis of antibody fragments which retain their specific binding sites is to be found in Winter & Milstein (1991) *Nature* **349**, 293-299.

By "ScFv molecules" we mean molecules wherein the V_H and V_L partner domains are linked via a flexible oligopeptide.

In certain circumstances there are advantages of using antibody fragments, rather than whole antibodies. The smaller size of the fragments allows for rapid clearance, and may lead to improved tumour to non-tumour ratios. Fab, Fv, ScFv and dAb antibody fragments can all be expressed in and secreted from *E. coli*, thus allowing the facile production of large amounts of the said fragments.

Whole antibodies, and $F(ab')_2$ fragments are "bivalent". By "bivalent" we mean that the said antibodies and $F(ab')_2$) fragments have two antigen combining sites. In contrast, Fab, Fv, ScFv and dAb fragments are

monovalent, having only one antigen combining site.

The art of "antibody engineering" is advancing rapidly, as is described in Tan, L.K. and Morrison, S.L. (1988) *Adv. Drug Deliv. Rev.* **2:** 129-142, Williams, G. (1988) *Tibtech* **6:** 36-42 and Neuberger, M.S. *et al* (1988) *8th International Biotechnology Symposium Part 2*, 792-799 (all of which are incorporated herein by reference), and is well suited to preparing antibody-like molecules derived from the antibodies of the invention.

The antibodies may be used for a variety of purposes relating to the study or isolation and purification of the antigen to which they specifically bind and the imaging and treatment of cells exhibiting the antigen. In other embodiments, the antibody of the invention is coupled to a scintigraphic radiolabel, a cytotoxic compound or radioisotope, an enzyme for converting a non-toxic prodrug into a cytotoxic drug, a compound for activating the immune system in order to target the resulting conjugate to a colon tumour, or a cell-stimulating compound. Such conjugates have a "binding portion", which consists of the antibody of the invention, and a "functional portion", which consists of the radiolabel, toxin or enzyme etc.

The antibody may alternatively be used alone in order simply to block the activity of the CEA antigen, particularly by physically interfering with its binding of another compound.

The binding portion and the functional portion of the conjugate (if also a peptide or polypeptide) may be linked together by any of the conventional ways of cross-linking polypeptides, such as those generally described in O'Sullivan *et al* (1979) *Anal. Biochem.* **100**, 100-108. For example, one portion may be enriched with thiol groups and the other portion reacted

with a bifunctional agent capable of reacting with those thiol groups, for example the N-hydroxysuccinimide ester of iodoacetic acid (NHIA) or N-succinimidyl-3-(2-pyridyldithio)propionate (SPDP). Amide and thioether bonds, for example achieved with *m*-maleimidobenzoyl-N-hydroxysuccinimide ester, are generally more stable *in vivo* than disulphide bonds.

Alternatively, if the binding portion contains carbohydrates, such as would be the case for an antibody or some antibody fragments, the functional portion may be linked via the carbohydrate portion using the linking technology in EP 0 088 695.

The functional portion of the conjugate may be an enzyme for converting a non-toxic prodrug into a toxic drug, for example the conjugates of Bagshawe and his colleagues (Bagshawe (1987) *Br. J. Cancer* **56**, 531; Bagshawe *et al* (1988) *Br. J. Cancer* **58**, 700; WO 88/07378) or cyanide-releasing systems (WO 91/11201).

It may not be necessary for the whole enzyme to be present in the conjugate but, of course, the catalytic portion must be present. So-called "abzymes" may be used, where a monoclonal antibody is raised to a compound involved in the reaction one wishes to catalyse, usually the reactive intermediate state. The resulting antibody can then function as an enzyme for the reaction.

The conjugate may be purified by size exclusion or affinity chromatography, and tested for dual biological activities. The antigen immunoreactivity may be measured using an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) with immobilised antigen and in a live cell radio-immunoassay. An enzyme assay may be used for β-glucosidase

using a substrate which changes in absorbance when the glucose residues are hydrolysed, such as *o*NPG (*o*-nitrophenyl-β-D-glucopyranoside), liberating 2-nitrophenol which is measured spectrophotometrically at 405 nm.

Stability of the conjugate may be tested *in vitro* initially by incubating at 37°C in serum, followed by size exclusion FPLC analysis. Stability *in vivo* can be tested in the same way in mice by analysing the serum at various times after injection of the conjugate. In addition, it is possible to radiolabel the antibody with ^{125}I, and the enzyme with ^{131}I before conjugation, and to determine the biodistribution of the conjugate, free antibody and free enzyme in mice.

Alternatively, the conjugate may be produced as a fusion compound by recombinant DNA techniques whereby a length of DNA comprises respective regions encoding the two portions of the conjugate either adjacent one another or separated by a region encoding a linker peptide which does not destroy the desired properties of the conjugate.

Conceivably, the two functional portions of the compound may overlap wholly or partly. The DNA is then expressed in a suitable host in known ways.

The conjugates may be administered in any suitable way, usually parenterally, for example intravenously or intraperitoneally, in standard sterile, non-pyrogenic formulations of diluents and carriers, for example isotonic saline (when administered intravenously). Once the conjugate has bound to the target cells and been cleared from the bloodstream (if necessary), which typically takes a day or so, the pro-drug is administered, usually as a single infused dose, or the tumour is imaged.

If needed, because the conjugate may be immunogenic, cyclosporin or some other immunosuppressant can be administered to provide a longer period for treatment but usually this will not be necessary.

The timing between administrations of conjugate and pro-drug may be optimised in a non-inventive way since tumour/normal tissue ratios of conjugate (at least following intravenous delivery) are highest after about 4-6 days, whereas at this time the absolute amount of conjugate bound to the tumour, in terms of percent of injected dose per gram, is lower than at earlier times.

Therefore, the optimum interval between administration of the conjugate and the pro-drug will be a compromise between peak tumour concentration of enzyme and the best distribution ratio between tumour and normal tissues. The dosage of the conjugate will be chosen by the physician according to the usual criteria. At least in the case of methods employing a targeted enzyme such as β-glucosidase and intravenous amygdalin as the toxic pro-drug, 1 to 50 daily doses of 0.1 to 10.0 grams per square metre of body surface area, preferably 1.0-5.0 g/m^2 are likely to be appropriate. For oral therapy, three doses per day of 0.05 to 10.0g, preferably 1.0-5.0g, for one to fifty days may be appropriate. The dosage of any conjugate will similarly be chosen according to normal criteria, particularly with reference to the type, stage and location of the tumour and the weight of the patient. The duration of treatment will depend in part upon the rapidity and extent of any immune reaction to the conjugate.

The functional portion of the conjugate, when the conjugate is used for diagnosis, usually comprises and may consist of a radioactive atom for scintigraphic studies, for example technetium 99m (^{99m}Tc) or iodine-123 (^{123}I), or a spin label for nuclear magnetic resonance (nmr) imaging (also

known as magnetic resonance imaging, mri), such as iodine-123 again, iodine-131, indium-111, fluorine-19, carbon-13, nitrogen-15, oxygen-17, gadolinium, manganese or iron.

When used in a compound for selective destruction of the tumour, the functional portion may comprise a highly radioactive atom, such as iodine-131, rhenium-186, rhenium-188, yttrium-90 or lead-212, which emits enough energy to destroy neighbouring cells, or a cytotoxic chemical compound such as methotrexate, adriamicin, vinca alkaloids (vincristine, vinblastine, etoposide), daunorubicin or other intercalating agents.

The radio- or other labels may be incorporated in the conjugate in known ways. For example, the peptide may be biosynthesized or may be synthesized by chemical amino acid synthesis using suitable amino acid precursors involving, for example, fluorine-19 in place of hydrogen. Labels such as ^{99m}Tc, ^{123}I, ^{186}Rh, ^{188}Rh and ^{111}In can be attached via a cysteine residue in the peptide. Yttrium-90 can be attached via a lysine residue. The IODOGEN method (Fraker *et al* (1978) *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* **80:** 49-57 can be used to incorporate iodine-123. *"Monoclonal Antibodies in Immunoscintigraphy"* (Chatal, CRC Press 1989) describes other methods in detail.

Thus, a second aspect of the invention provides a molecule, preferably an antibody, as defined in the first aspect of the invention for use in medicine.

A third aspect of the invention provides a use of a molecule, preferably antibody, as defined by the first aspect of the invention in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the diagnosis or treatment of colorectal carcinoma.

A fourth aspect of the invention provides a process for making a monospecific antibody, the process comprising screening a pool of antibodies to select those monospecific antibodies which bind (i) human membrane-based CEA, (ii) bind a hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human BGP joined (N-C) to residues 490 to C-terminus of human CEA, but (iii) do not bind to human BGP.

It is preferred if the monospecific antibody is a monoclonal antibody and the pool of antibodies is a pool of monoclonal antibodies. It is further preferred if the antibodies within the pool comprise antibodies produced by recombinant DNA methods.

In the preferred embodiment the screening steps are for antibodies that:

(1) Bind to human tumour cells such as colorectal carcinoma cells (Richman & Bodmer (1987) *Int. J. Cancer* **39**, 317-328) and the human gastric carcinoma cell line MKN 45 (Kojama *et al* (1990) *Jpn. J. Cancer* **81**, 967-970). Binding is detected in indirect immunofluorescent assays where the cells are fixed to microscope slides or cover slips, for example with acetone, and antibody binding detected by a second fluorescently-labelled anti-species antibody, for example a FITC labelled anti-mouse IgG if the first antibody is a mouse IgG. Alternatively antibody binding to cells in suspension could be measured; and antibody binding could be detected by radioactively-labelled second antibody, for example by ^{125}I-labelled anti-mouse IgG.

(2) Bind to cells transfected with and expressing the human CEA. For example, these could be the simian virus 40-transformed monkey fibroblast line COS-7 transfected by electroporation with a CEA cDNA (Beauchemin *et al* (1987) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* **7**, 3221-3230) in the vector

pCDM8 (Invitrogen); Chinese hamster ovary cells (CHO) transfected by electroporation with a CEA cDNA in the dexamethasone inducible vector pMAMneo (Clontech): a cosmid clone for CEA (Willcocks, T.C. & Craig, I.W. (1990) *Genomics* **8**, 492-500) co-transfected into the mouse colorectal carcinoma cell line CMT93 by lipofection with the plasmid pSVneo2; CHO cells transfected with a yeast artificial chromosome or YAC containing the CEA gene cluster, eg ICRFy9000C02400 from the q13.1-q13.3 region of the long arm of chromosome 19 and modified to include a neomycin resistance (*neo*^{R}) gene by homologous recombination with the plasmid vector pRAN4 (Ragoussis *et al* (1992) *Nucleic Acids Res.* **290**, 3135-3138) with the right hand vector arm of pYAC4, transfection could be by yeast spheroplast cell fusion (Burgers, P. & Percival, K. (1987) *Anal. Biochem* **163**, 391-397).

(3) Bind to cells transfected with and expressing the hybrid gene BGP-CEAB3-GP1, for example COS-7 cells transfected by electroporation with the plasmid pCDM8 carrying the hybrid gene. Electroporation is described in Example 6.

(4) Do not bind to cells expressing BGP but not expressing CEA, for example COS-7 cells transfected with the plasmid pCDM8 carrying the cDNA for BGP.

(5) Do not bind to cells expressing NCA but not expressing CEA, for example COS-7 cells transfected with the plasmid pCDM8 carrying the cDNA for NCA (Hefta *et al* (1990) *Cancer Res.* **50**, 2397-2403).

(6) Do not bind to cells expressing the hybrid BGP-CEAB3 but without the GPI anchor, these cells could be transfected COS-7 cells transfected with the plasmid pCDM8 carrying the hybrid gene for BGP-

CEAB3 where a stop codon is introduced into the CEAB3 sequence at the beginning of the position of the hydrophobic tail which is normally processed off and replaced by a GPI anchor. PCR can be used to introduce such a stop codon.

(7) Do not bind to a cell expressing BGP-CEAB3-BGP TM, for example COS-7 transected with pCDM8 carrying the hybrid gene where the transmembrane domain of BGP was added to the B3 domain of CEA in place of the processed hydrophobic segment of CEA.

A useful control antibody that does not bind CEA is one that, for example, recognises the T-cell marker CD4. Suitable anti-CD4 antibodies are available from the ATCC, for example OKT4 (anti-human helper T cell subset; ATCC CRL 8002).

Selecting the antibodies of the invention can be done using the above steps in any permutation.

It is preferred if primary screening is done on a CEA-expressing cell line which can be a human tumour cell line or a transfectoma expressing CEA from a cDNA or cosmid.

It is preferred if secondary screening is done on cell lines transfected with the above mentioned genes and hybrid genes.

NCA is non-specific cross reacting antigen and comprises N, A1 and B1 domains and a GPI anchor (see Thomson & Zimmerman (1988) *Tumour Biol.* **9**, 63-83 and Thomson *et al* (1991) *J. Clin. Lab. Analysis* **5**, 344-366 for reviews).

Suitable parent cell lines for expression include COS cells and CHO cells which do not express CEA.

The invention will now be described in detail with reference to the following Examples and Figures wherein:

Figure 1 shows the deduced amino acid sequence for the V_H chain of murine monoclonal antibody (murine heavy; SEQ ID No 1), its comparison with the V_H sequence of the human antibody RF-TS3'CL used to provide the framework sequences for humanisation (RF-TS3 backbone; SEQ ID No 27), and the humanised sequence created (humanised heavy; SEQ ID No 28). The sequence of RF-TS3'CL is disclosed in Pascual *et al* (1990) *J. Clin. Invest.* **86**, 1320-1328 incorporated herein by reference.

Figure 2 shows the deduced amino acid sequence for the V_L chain of murine monoclonal antibody (murine kappa; SEQ ID No 2), its comparison with the V_L sequence of the human antibody REI used to provide the framework sequences for humanisation (REI backbone; SEQ ID No 29), and the humanised sequence created (humanised kappa; SEQ ID No 30).

Figure 3 shows the amino acid sequence comparison between CEA and NCA-50. Corresponding domains are grouped together. In each case, dots indicate identity to the amino acids of the CEA domains shown in the top line of each group. Dashes indicate amino acid deletions in comparison with CEA. Potential N-glycosylation positions are underlined.

Figure 4 shows the cDNA sequence (SEQ ID No 31) and deduced amino acid sequence (SEQ ID No 32) of BGP.

Figure 5 shows the structures of GPI.

Figure 6 shows the construction of a humanised heavy chain. FR indicates framework regions; CDR indicates complementarity determining regions; = indicates double stranded DNA encoding humanised heavy chain; and → indicates synthetic oligonucleotides, showing direction 5′-3′, used as primers for overlapping PCR.

Figure 7 shows the construction of a humanised light chain. FR indicates framework regions; CDR indicates complementarity determining regions; = indicates double stranded DNA encoding humanised heavy chain; and → indicates synthetic oligonucleotides, showing direction 5′-3′, used as primers for overlapping PCR.

Figure 8 shows the BGP-CEA chimaeric constructs.

Figure 9 shows a model of the V-domain of humanised antibody. The positions of the complementarity determining regions (CDRs) 1 to 3 of the light (L) and heavy (H) chains are shown. The two glutamic acid residues implicated in antigen recognition E(H:106) - position 106 of the heavy chain, and E(H:57) - position 57 of the heavy chain are marked.

Figure 10 shows a model of the B3 domain of CEA. The positions of the lysine and arginine residues are marked. *In vitro* mutagenesis of KG36 (lysine at position 636) and R594 (arginine position 594) destroys PR1A3 binding to the antigen.

Figure 11 shows the cDNA sequence (SEQ ID No 33) and deduced amino acid sequence (SEQ ID No 34) of NCA.

Figure 12 shows the cDNA sequence (SEQ ID No 35) and deduced amino acid sequence (SEQ ID No 36) of CEA.

Figure 13 shows the cDNA sequence (SEQ ID No 37) and deduced amino acid sequence (SEQ ID No 38) of the PR1A3 kappa light chain.

Figure 14 shows the cDNA sequence (SEQ ID No 39) and deduced amino acid sequence (SEQ ID No 40) of the PR1A3 heavy chain.

Example 1: Identification of the epitope recognised by PR1A3

YAC (yeast artificial chromosome) and cosmid studies have mapped the gene encoding the PR1A3 antigen to the chromosomal region in which the CEA gene is located and, like CEA, the PR1A3 epitope was shown to be up-regulated by γ-interferon. Transfection of a cDNA for CEA into a variety of cells gave the appearance of the PR1A3 epitope on these cells, thus indicating that the monoclonal antibody PR1A3 recognises an epitope on CEA.

Domains of CEA were expressed in COS cells as fusions to the Fc portion of immunoglobulin as N-A1-Fc, N-A1-B1-Fc and N-A1-B1-A2-Fc. None of these constructs produced protein which reacted with PR1A3, therefore the epitope is not located in the N-A1-B1-A2 region.

Hybrid constructs of BGP and CEA were made such that the (C-terminal half of A3)-B3-GPI domains of CEA were fused to the N-A1-B1-(N-terminal half of A2) domains of BGP. Amino acid sequences for CEA and BGP are shown in Figures 3 and 4. The hybrid construct number 1 contained BGP up to cysteine 314 and from glutamic acid 490 to the C-terminus of CEA (see Figure 8). The hybrid construct was expressed in

COS cells from the expression plasmid pCDM8. When analysed in immunofluorescence assays the transfected COS cells gave a positive signal with both the mouse PR1A3 antibody and a human/mouse chimaeric antibody (see below). This confirms that the PR1A3 epitope is in the region of the B3-GPI region. The plasmid pCDM8 is described in Seed & Aruffo (1987) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **84**, 3365-3369.

A stop codon was inserted into the hybrid construct number 1 such that no GPI anchor was added to the protein. The CEA portion should no longer be membrane bound but soluble and secreted. The stop codon was inserted at a position equivalent to residue 644 of CEA and a protein of (N-A1-B1-(N-terminal half of A2)) BGP - ((C-terminal half of A3)-B3) CEA was formed (construct number 2; Figure 8). Transfection of this construct into COS cells using the vector pCDM8 gave cells which were positive in immunofluorescent studies with an antibody, 3B10, which cross-reacts with BGP, but negative for PR1A3. This confirms expression of the hybrid protein but that the PR1A3 epitope is absent when the hybrid is not membrane bound.

Chimaeric constructs 3a and 3b were made and the structures are as indicated in Figure 8.

PCR methods used in making expression constructs

For cloning BGP the following primers were used:

5′ + *Hin*dIII site: CTCAAGCTTATGGGGCACCTC (SEQ ID No 9)

3′ + *Xba*I site: GGTCTAGACTATGAAGTTGGTTG (SEQ ID No 10)

For cloning CEA the following primers were used:

5′ + *Hin*dIII site:	CTCAAGCTTATGGAGTCTCCC (SEQ ID No 11)
3′ + *Xba*I site:	GGTCTAGACTATATCAGAGCAAC (SEQ ID No 12)

For chimaera 1 BGP and CEA fragments were amplified by PCR from parent molecules. Products were cut with *Cla*I and ligated. 5′ and 3′ ends of the annealed product were cut with *Hin*dIII and *Xba*I for ligation into the *Hin*dIII-*Xba*I site of pCDM8 vector for transient expression in COS-7 cells.

The following primers were used:

5′ + *Hin*dIII site:	CTCAAGCTTATGGGGCACCTC (SEQ ID No 9)
3′ B1 loop + *Cla*I site:	GGATCGATGCAGGTCAGGTT (SEQ ID No 13)
5′ IIIA loop + *Cla*I site:	CTCATCGATGAACCTGAGGCT (SEQ ID No 14)
3′ + *Xba*I site:	GGTCTAGACTATATCAGAGCAAC (SEQ ID No 15)

Chimaera 2 was amplified from chimaera 1 and cut with *Hin*dIII and *Xba*I for ligation into pCDM8.

The following primers were used:

5′ + *Hin*dIII site: CTCAAGCTTATGGGGCACCTC (SEQ ID No 9)

3′ + STOP + *Xba*I site: GGTCTAGACTAAGATGCAGAGAC (SEQ ID No 16)

For making chimaeras 3a and 3b 5′ portion of the molecule was amplified from chimaera 1 template using BGP 5′ primer and antisense overlapping primer complementary to the required join. The BGP transmembrane domain was amplified from BGP using sense overlapping primer and BGP 3′ primer.

To assemble the annealed molecule, the two complementary fragments were subjected to 18 PCR cycles to allow formation of "primer-dimer" before addition of BGP 5′ and 3′ outside primers for 12 further PCR cycles.

The following primers were used for construct 3a:

5′ + *Hin*dIII site: CTCAAGCTTATGGGGCACCTC (SEQ ID No 9)

Overlapping primers: TCTGCATCTGGACTCTCACCTGGGGCC (sense) (SEQ ID No 17)

GGCCCCAGGTGAGAGTCCAGATGCAGA (antisense) (SEQ ID No 18)

3′ + *Xba*I site: GGTCTAGACTATGAAGTTGGTTG (SEQ ID No 10)

The following primers were used for construct 3b:

5′ + *Hin*dIII site:	CTCAAGCTTATGGGGCACCTC (SEQ ID No 9)
Overlapping primers:	ACAGTCTCTGCACAAGAAAATGGC (sense) (SEQ ID No 19)
	GCCATTTTCTTGTGCAGAGACTGT (antisense) (SEQ ID No 20)
3′ + *Xba*I site:	GGTCTAGACTATGAAGTTGGTTG (SEQ ID No 10)

Anchor structures are reviewed in Ferguson (1992) and a generic structure for a mammalian GPI is shown in Figure 5. Studies with CEA released from MKN45 cells by incubation with a phospholipase, which cleaves the lipid tail from GPI anchors to give a soluble product, produces CEA which contains the PR1A3 epitope. When examined by SDS PAGE and western blotting a weak signal is given if this antigen is boiled in 2% SDS sample buffer with reducing agent dithiothreitol to break disulphide bridges. When the antigen is examined in the same way, but the reducing agent omitted to retain the disulphide bridges intact, a strong signal is given. This suggests the epitope is at least partly conformational. Furthermore, NCA is related to CEA, with a high degree of sequence homology, and has a GPI anchor, but does not react with PR1A3. Therefore the GPI is unlikely to be sufficient for the epitope.

Example 2: Molecular modelling and *in vitro* mutagenesis

Molecular models of the antibody PR1A3 demonstrate the presence of two unusual unpaired negative charges in the CDR region of the antibody. These charges may indicate the presence of complementary charges in the epitope recognised by the antibody (see Figures 9 and 10).

Analysis of the B3 domain of CEA and comparison with another family member, NCA, indicated that there were three residues carrying positive charges which could play an important role in the antibody antigen interaction. The residues were, lysines at positions 610 and 636 and arginine at position 514 in the CEA B3 domain. In order to assess the role of the individual charges in the epitope recognised by the antibody PR1A3, these residues were changed from lysine or arginine, to alanine. It is possible to alter these amino acids by changing the sequence of the DNA. The polymerase chain reaction may be used to introduce point mutations which are incorporated into one of the amplification primers. The fragment is then blunt-ended with Klenow fragment or digested with restriction endonucleases and ligated into the appropriate vector to allow the product to be sequenced. Alternatively, to introduce a mutation into the middle of a sequence, two fragments encompassing the mutation are annealed with each other and extended by mutually primed synthesis. The fragment may then be digested as before and ligated into an appropriate vector to be sequenced.

PCR may also be used to incorporate a phosphorylated oligonucleotide during amplication with *Taq* polymerase and *Taq* ligase (Michel, *BioTechniques* **16(3)**, 410-412).

Mutations may also be introduced by construction of a totally synthetic gene or portion of the gene.

The method which we used to introduce changes into the sequence was oligonucleotide directed mutagenesis by the method of Kunkel (1985) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **82**, 488-492).

The repetitive nature of CEA meant that in order to carry out the

mutagenesis the B3 domain and downstream sequences of CEA had to be isolated from similar upstream sequences. This region was amplified with primers to introduce a *Cla*I site 5′ and an *Xba*I site 3′ and the fragment was cloned into pBluescriptII KS-. The plasmid was transformed into a *dut*⁻*ung*⁻ F′ strain of *E. coli* (CJ236) which will produce plasmid with a number of uracil residues in place of thymine. Single stranded template was produced by superinfection with a helper phage M13 K07. A phosphorylated oligonucleotide containing the mutant sequence is annealed to the template and extended in the presence of T4 DNA polymerase and ligase to produce a double-stranded circular molecule. Introduction of this heteroduplex molecule into a wild-type (*dut*⁺*ung*⁺) strain resulted in degradation of the uracil containing wild-type strand and replication of the mutant strand. Colonies were isolated and the DNA sequenced to ensure that the mutant genotype was present.

Mutations

WILD-TYPE SEQUENCE	ATC GCC AAA ATC ACG	(SEQ ID No 21)
K1 MUTANT OLIGO	ATC GCC GCA ATC ACG	(SEQ ID No 22)
WILD-TYPE SEQUENCE	ATA GTC AAG AGC ATC	(SEQ ID No 23)
K2 MUTANT OLIGO	ATA GTC GCG AGC ATC	(SEQ ID No 24)
WILD-TYPE SEQUENCE	TCT TGG GGT ATC AAT	(SEQ ID No 25)
R1 MUTANT OLIGO	TCT TGG GCT ATC AAT	(SEQ ID No 26)

After the mutant constructs were sequenced, these B3 domains were used to reconstitute the chimeric proteins consisting of residues 1-314 of BGP and residues 490-668 of CEA. These constructs have been shown to be positive for PR1A3 binding when transiently expressed in COS cells.

After insertion into pCDM8 and expression in COS cells, immunofluorescence experiments demonstrated that the constructs carrying the K2 (lysine 636 → alanine) and R3 (arginine 594 → alanine) mutations were no longer recognised by PR1A3 whereas the K1 (lysine 610 → alanine) mutation had no effect on binding (see Figure 10). These results implicate the residues K2 and R3 in the epitope recognised by PR1A3.

Example 3: Preparation and properties of monoclonal antibodies reactive against CEA

Monoclonal antibodies reactive against CEA were prepared by the method of Richman & Bodmer (1987).

Tissues, cells, cell culture

Fresh samples of normal large intestine and colorectal tumours were used. These were snap-frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored at -70°C. Frozen samples of extra-colonic normal human adult and fetal tissues were used.

The colorectal carcinoma cell lines used originated from different tumours. HT29 colon carcinoma cell line (Fogh and Trempe, 1975) was maintained in medium RPM1 1640 containing 10% fetal calf serum (FCS) and 37°C in 5% CO_2 in air at 100% humidity. LS174T, SW1222, SW48, SW620 and SW837 colorectal carcinoma cell lines (Tom *et al.*, 1976; Leibovitz *et al.*, 1976) were maintained in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium containing 10% FCS at 37°C in 10% CO_2 in air at 100% humidity.

P3/NS1/1-Ag-4-1 (NS1) is an 8-azaguanine-resistant BALB/c myeloma cell line. This was maintained in RPMI 1640 with 10% FCS and 2 x 10^{-5}M 6-thioguanine.

Hybridomas produced in this study were initially cultured in RPMI 1640 with 20% FCS, 10^{-4}M hypoxanthine, 1.6 x 10^{-5}M thymidine and 10^{-5}M methotrexate (HAT). After cloning, hybridoma cells were weaned off HAT and maintained in RMPI 1640 with 10% FCS.

Immunizing materials

BALB/c mice were immunized with 4 different preparations.

1. *Normal colorectal mucosal scrapings.* Samples of normal large intestine were pinned onto a cork board. After thorough rinsing (10 times) in cold, sterile phosphate-buffered saline-A, pH 7.4 (PBS-A), the mucosa was dissected from the muscularis mucosae by scraping with a scalpel. Mucosal scraping were snap-frozen in liquid nitrogen and mechanically vibrated to a powder in a polypropylene vial containing a tungsten ballbearing. This material was emulsified in 0.2ml complete Freund's adjuvant and 0.2ml PBS-A. Animals received 0.2g wet tissue in 0.4ml emulsion per inoculation.

2. *Crude membrane preparations from normal colorectal epithelium.* Fresh normal colorectal mucosal scrapings were prepared as above. One gram of wet tissue was used for each membrane preparation. Tissue samples were thawed and Dounce-homogenized in 10ml sucrose buffer containing dithiothreitol (DTT) (250mM sucrose-RNase free: 50 mM triethanolamine-HCl pH 7.5; 60 mM $MgCl_2$; 2mM DTT). Following centrifugation at 40,000g for 15 min, the nuclear and mitochondrial pellet was discarded. The supernatant was then centrifuged for a further 30 min at 20,000g. The microsomal pellet was retained and resuspended in 40% sucrose in 10mM Tris HCl pH 7.4. The sucrose solution was adjusted to obtain a refractometer reading of 1.392-5, overlaid with 25% sucrose in

10mM Tris HCl pH 7.4 (refractometer reading 1.375) and the sucrose gradient was centrifuged at 4°C for 15 hr at 65,000g. Membranes were recovered from the interface and washed twice in 10mM Tris pH 7.4; protein content was estimated by the method of Lowry *et al.* (1951). One gram of wet tissue yielded approximately 1mg of membrane protein. The membranes were suspended in PBS-A and complete Freund's adjuvant for injection. Animals received 0.4ml emulsion per inoculation.

3. *HT29 colon carcinoma cell line.* Animals received 2 x 10^6 live trypsinized cells suspended in 0.4ml PBS-A per inoculation.

4. *Epitope as immunogen.* The immunogen is a cell carrying hybrid BGP-CEA B3-GPI protein or a cell transfected with CEA cDNA or cosmid. A mouse L cell transfected with CEA gene is used to immunise an appropriate mouse strain to give antibodies to CEA. Human tumour cells expressing CEA can also be used.

Immunization and production of hybridomas

Three fusions were carried out using spleens from BALB/c mice immunized by intraperitoneal inoculations according to the following protocol. In fusions 1 and 2, mice were immunized and boosted with mucosal scrapings and membrane preparations of normal colorectal epithelium (see "Immunizing materials" above). In fusion 3, initial immunization was with membrane preparations of normal colon and subsequent booster inoculations were with HT29 colon carcinoma cells. Animals received intraperitoneal injections of these materials 6 weeks, 2 weeks and 4 days prior to each fusion. In each case, the spleen was removed aseptically; a single-cell suspension was prepared mechanically and the spleen cells were fused with 10^8 NSI myeloma cells using 50%

polyethyleneglycol 4,000 (Merck) in RPMI 1640. The cells were plated into 24- or 96-well plates (Linbro, Flow, Irvine, Scotland) containing RPMI 1640 with HAT plus 20% FCS and mouse spleen cells as a feeder layer. The plates were incubated at 37°C in 5% CO_2 in air at 100% humidity. Hybridomas were generally visible microscopically at 14-21 days; initial screening to identify interesting colonies was performed prior to cloning. These colonies were cloned twice by picking single cells with a drawn-out Pasteur pipette, transferring them to individual wells of 96-well Microtitre plates containing mouse spleen cell feeders overlaid with 2ml RPMI 1640, HAT and 20% FCS, and cultured at 37°C in 5% CO_2 in air in 100% humidity.

Screening assay for antibody production

Screening for antibody production from all fusions was performed on tissue sections using an indirect immunoperoxidase technique. Cryostat sections (6μm thickness) were cut from snap-frozen cubes of normal large intestine. The sections were picked up on 10-well multitest slides (C.A. Hendley-Essex, England) precoated with 0.1% poly-l-lysine and allowed to dry in air for 30 min at room temperature. The sections were fixed in acetone for 15 min. Individual wells were incubated with 20μl unconcentrated hybridoma tissue culture supernatant for 30 min at room temperature in a humid chamber. Slides were washed twice in Tris-buffered saline (TBS) pH 7.6 (Tris, 605 mg, NaCl, 8g in 1 l distilled water) before incubation for 30 min at room temperature with peroxidase-conjugated rabbit anti-mouse immunoglobulin (DAKO, Copenhagen, Denmark) diluted 1:50 in TBS containing 5% normal human serum. The slides were washed again in TBS and then flooded with freshly prepared filtered solution of diaminobenzidine (Sigma. St. Louis, MO) 5mg in 10ml Tris HCl pH 7.6 containing 0.03% hydrogen peroxide. The peroxidase

substrate reaction was stopped after 5 min by washing in tap water and the slides were counterstained with Heyer's haematoxylin, dehydrated in alcohol and mounted in DPX (BDH, Poole, UK).

Immunohistochemical methods

1. *Indirect immunoperoxidase staining of formalin-fixed tissue.* To determine the reactivity of the MAbs with formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissues, samples of normal large intestine were fixed in either (a) 10% neutral buffered formalin or (b) acid formalin (2% acetic acid in 10% formalin) for 2 hr. After routine processing 3-4μm sections were stained by the indirect peroxidase technique as described above (see "Screening"). Prior to staining, endogenous peroxidase activity was blocked by incubating the sections for 10 min in a humid chamber at room temperature with a freshly prepared solution of 0.5% hydrogen peroxide in methanol. After washing in tap water, slides were treated in one of 3 ways irrespective of the type of fixative used. (i) Stained directly; (ii) Digested in trypsin. For digestion slides were warmed at 37°C in distilled water and transferred to a freshly prepared solution of 0.1% trypsin (Sigma, type II), 0.1% $CaCl_2$, pH 7.8 with NaOH for periods of 5-40 min (iii) Digested with other protease solutions. Warmed slides were transferred to a solution of protease (Sigma, type IV), 0.025% in TBS pH 7.6 for 5-15 min.

In (i) and (ii) above, enzyme reactions were stopped with cold running water. After thorough washing in water and TBS the digested sections were stained by the indirect immunoperoxidase technique.

2. *Indirect immunoperoxidase staining of frozen tissue sections.* Frozen sections of normal large intestine, other normal tissue and

colorectal tumours were prepared as described above (see "Screening"). They were picked up on 4-well multitest slides (C.A. Hendly-Essex) and stained. They were not enzyme-digested and endogenous peroxidase activity was not blocked. All tissues were counterstained in Meyer's haematoxylin, dehydrated in a graded alcohol series, cleared in xylene and mounted in DPX.

3. *Immunofluorescence of frozen sections.* Frozen sections of both normal colorectal tissue and some tumours were also examined by indirect immunofluorescence. After fixing in acetone for 15 min, sections were washed in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS). Sections were then incubated with 20μl unconcentrated hybridoma supernatant for 30 min in a humid chamber, washed 3 times in PBS and incubated for a further 30 min with fluorescein-conjugated rabbit anti-mouse IgG (DAKO) diluted 1:40 in PBS. After 3 further washes in PBS and a final wash in distilled water, the sections were mounted in Gelvato 20/30 (Monsanto, Springfield, MA) and viewed on a Leitz Orthoplan microscope with epifluorescence attachment.

4. *Immunocytochemical examination of cell lines.* Cells from the carcinoma lines were grown on glass slides. They were washed 3 times in PBS-A and then stained either live or after fixation in acetone for 10 min.

5. *Controls.* Immunohistochemical staining was controlled by the use of nonhybridoma tissue culture medium (RPMI 1640 with 10% FCS) as the primary layer. In addition, for immunoperoxidase staining the second antibody-enzyme conjugate and diaminobenzidine solution were also used individually. For immunofluorescence the FITC-conjugated rabbit anti-mouse IgG was used alone. Non-specific staining by these

reagents was not observed.

Assessment of colorectal tumours

The colorectal adenocarcinomas were graded histologically by the criteria of Blenkinsopp *et al.* (1981) using sections stained with haematoxylin and eosin. For each antibody tumours were assessed as "negative" (no reactive cells), "heterogeneous" (some reactive cells) or "positive" (all cells reactive). Variations in the staining intensity between different cells of the same tumour or between tumour cells and the adjacent normal epithelium were sometimes seen but not quantitated.

Antibodies are screened by indirect immunofluorescent assays using CEA-positive cells air-dried and acetone-fixed on to cover slips. Also, whole cells or tissue sections carrying CEA are used and detection is by ELISA or radioimmunoassay (RIA).

Antibodies which are positive for CEA-expressing cell lines, negative for BGP- and NCA-expressing cell lines, and negative for BGP-CEA B3-expressing and BGP-CEA B3-BGPTM-expressing cell lines comprise antibodies of the invention.

Example 4: Preparation of monospecific polyclonal antibodies reactive against CEA

To prepare monospecific polyclonal antibodies reactive against CEA a suitable animal (rabbit, goat or the like) is immunized with hybrid BGP-CEA B3-GPI. The antisera so produced is then absorbed with purified BGP or cells expressing BGP to remove BGP-reactive antibodies and to leave the CEA reactive antibodies of the invention.

Example 5: Radioimmunoscintigraphy (RIS) of colorectal cancer

Antibodies are used in RIS as described by Granowska *et al* (1989) in *Nuclear Medicine, trends and possibilities in nuclear medicine*, pp. 531-534 Schmidt & Buraggi (eds.), Schattauer, New York. A monoclonal antibody obtained by the method of Example 2 is labelled with indium-111 using the bifunctional chelate method of Hnatovich *et al* (1987). Imaging is undertaken using a Siemans 75 tube digitrac rotating gamma camera set with a medium energy parallel hole 'gallium' collimator and linked to a Nodecrest V77 computer. The camera is peaked to the two energies of In-111 with 15% and 20% windows and the counts are summed. Images are displayed on transparent film and in colour on the visual display unit of the computer.

Patients with primary or suspected recurrent colorectal cancer are selected by the surgeons and presented for RIS. The study is approved by the Administration of Radioactive Substances Advisory Committee of the Department of Health. Signed informed consent is obtained from each patient. Patients with a history of allergy to foreign proteins or with a positive skin test to the antibody are to be excluded. Patients with low rectal tumours were studied using multiple per rectal submucosal injection of antibody to undertake lymphoscintigraphy.

After the injection of 2-3mCi (80-120 MBq) of a known amount of activity, imaging was performed immediately, sometimes at 4 hours, at 24 hours with emission tomography, and at 48, 72 or 96 hours. Anterior and posterior views of the lower chest and upper abdomen, and lower abdomen and pelvis are obtained, together with images of six radioactive marker sources set on the bone land-marks to check repositioning of the patient and the image at each time point. Gamma camera images are also

made of the excised surgical specimen. The histological staging and grading of the tumour is undertaken. Specimens of the tumour, nearby mucosa and lymph nodes known to be involved or not involved with tumour are selected and counted, together with standards and appropriate background samples. Serial blood and urine samples are also assayed.

Blood clearance at 24 hours averages 51%; at 48 hours 33% and at 72 hours 27% of the injected dose taking the 5 minute sample volume as 100 per cent. Urine output is less than 3%.

Images of primary and recurrent colorectal cancer are of high quality. Tumour sites are clearly identified in the abdomen and pelvis often as early as 4 hours. Liver metastases are identified as focal defects on the early images which took up activity progressively with time. There is appreciably less normal bowel uptake than we are accustomed to with In-111 anti CEA (that is, anti-CEA antibodies that do not recognise the epitope recognised by PR1A3). Marrow and liver uptakes are similar. No false positive or false negative results are obtained. Single photon emission tomography is of no particular benefit since the planar images were so good.

Imaging of a surgical specimens shows that tumours and polyps have high uptake and that, unlike with other anti CEA antibodies (that do not recognise the epitope recognised by PR1A3) normal nodes are not visualised. The tumour to mucosa ratios are high ranging up to 47:1. Poorly differentiated tumours take up the antibody reasonably well and, on average, better than with In-111 anti CEA (that do not recognise the epitope recognised by PR1A3).

Example 6: Humanising a mouse monoclonal antibody (CDR grafting)

Complementary DNAs (cDNAs) encoding the variable regions of the monoclonal antibody were cloned and sequenced. Primers used for PCR cloning of the heavy chain V-region were from Orlandi *et al* (1989) and for the light chain V-region were from Jones & Bendig (1991). In each instance two sequences were given, one each for the parental NS1 light and heavy chains and unique sequences for a heavy chain and a light chain.

To confirm the specificity of the unique sequences they were expressed as a human-mouse chimaeric antibody where the mouse antibody V-regions were fused to human constant regions. The mouse antibody V_H-region clone was linked to a cDNA clone of the C-regions of the human IgG_1 heavy chain NEWM (Kabat *et al* (1991) *supra*) by PCR techniques (see Figure 1). The mouse antibody V_L-region was linked to a cDNA clone of the human kappa light chain REI (Kabat *et al* (1991) *supra*) by PCR techniques (see Figure 2).

The NEWM sequence is disclosed in Poljak *et al* (1977) *Biochemistry* **16**, 3412-3420 and the REI sequence is disclosed in Palm & Hilschmann (1973) *Z. Physiol. Chem.* **354**, 1651-1654 both incorporated herein by reference.

The chimaeric light and heavy chains were then inserted into the expression vector pCDM8 and the two plasmids co-transfected into COS cells. After eight days of culture antibody levels of approximately 1μg/ml were determined in a human IgG Fc specific ELISA and the chimaeric antibody gave a positive immunofluorescent staining on MKN45 cells, a human gastric carcinoma cell line that carries the determinant identified

by PR1A3.

The DNA sequences of the V-regions were used to design humanised antibody. Analysis of the database allowed the selection of a human antibody with similarity to the mouse antibody (about 75% homology). This human antibody sequence was used as the template to design a humanised antibody sequence which was constructed from overlapping oligonucleotides and PCR and then linked to the cDNA of NEWM heavy chain.

The murine light chain had a homology of 70% to the human light chain. The light chain was then used as the template to construct humanised PR1A3 light chain using oligonucleotides and PCR by the method of Lewis & Crowe (1991).

Methods

Heavy Chain (see Figure 6)

Synthetic oligonucleotides, 1-6, code for the variable region of the heavy chain of the monoclonal antibody. These oligonucleotides (90mers) coded alternatively for the sense or the antisense strand of DNA, with 12 base pair overlaps between each sequential oligonucleotide. Primer dimer formation between pairs of oligonucleotides occurs, followed by PCR amplification.

The constant region was primed from a human heavy chain sequence contained within a plasmid. Incorporated into these primers was a 5′ overlap with the 3′ end of the variable region and a cloning site at the extreme 3′ end of the gene.

PCR Conditions

95°C/1 min ← add *Taq* DNA polymerase

60°C/2 min
72°C/2 min } x 30
95°C/1 min

60°C/2 min

72°C/7 min

Light Chain (see Figure 7)

The light chain was constructed in a similar manner to the heavy chain. Primers 1+2, 3+4, 5+6, 7+8 were PCR-amplified to produce overlapping fragments. The programme used was the same as for the heavy chain. The fragments were then joined using the following PCR programme.

Initially only the fragments are added.

93°C/1.5 min
37°C/1.0 min } x 7
72°C/2.0 min

Outside primers are added.

93°C/1.5 min
37°C/1.0 min } x 25
72°C/2.0 min

93°C/1.5 min

37°C/1.0 min

72°C/10.0 min

The template for this construct was a human light chain sequence contained within a plasmid. Primers (20-30mers) were designed to have a 3′ region which was complementary to the human framework and a

foreign 5′ region (either restriction enzyme sites or partial monoclonal antibody CDRs). The frameworks were amplified and the 5′ foreign sequences were incorporated during this amplification. The individual fragments overlaps at the ends and were joined by overlapping PCR to form the complete gene.

Light and heavy chains have been inserted into the expression vector pCDM8 and antibody is being expressed in COS cells and its binding activity to MKN45 cells confirmed by immunofluorescence.

The V-regions of PR1A3 have been modelled using co-ordinates from structures of antibodies known from X-ray crystallographic studies. The complementarity determining regions (CDRs) were fitted to the framework structures using the canonical loop structures derived from Chothia *et al* (1992). Prominent features of the model include an additional residue, a tyrosine, in CDR3 of the light chain, and two glutamic acid residues, one in CDR2 of the heavy chain, and the other in CDR3 of the heavy chain. The two glutamic acids are unusual in that they are unpaired charges, but the additional tyrosine in CDR3-L causes this loop to kink and allows salt bridges to form between the two tyrosines in the CDR3-L loop and the unpaired glutamic acids of VH to stabilise the structure. The presence of these features is strongly suggestive that they are key to antigen recognition and that the epitope is positively charged.

Sequencing the V-region of the mouse PR1A3 heavy chains has consistently given a choice of two residues for the first amino acid of CDR1-H, both valine and glutamine have been found. Chimaeric antibodies of both isotypes are equally active in immunofluorescent studies with MKN45 cells and modelling allows both amino acids to be positioned with no constraints being imposed on the structure.

Example 7: Acetone fixation of cells and determination of binding

Cell suspensions, approximately 10^5 cells/ml in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), were dropped onto microscope slides and allowed to dry, then immersed in acetone for 10 minutes and rinsed in PBS. Alternatively, coverslips were placed into a Petri dish containing culture medium such as RPMI 1640 containing 10% foetal calf serum, and cells seeded on to the coverslips. The Petri dishes were then incubated for between 48 and 72 hours at 37°C, and then were removed from the Petri dish, rinsed in PBS, immersed in acetone 10 minutes and then rinsed in PBS. The slides or coverslips were then incubated with the appropriate test antibody and washed. The test antibody either bound to or did not bind to the cell.

In order to detect binding of the test antibody, an anti-species antibody, labelled with fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC), is added and then the cells washed. Binding is determined by measuring the fluorescence.

When mouse IgG is the test antibody FITC-conjugated sheep anti-mouse antibody (Sigma Chemical Co, Poole, Dorset, UK) is used as the probe.

The cells used for binding studies are the colon carcinoma cell line HT-29 (ATCC HTB 38); COS-7 cells transfected with CEA cDNA; and COS-7 cells transfected with any of the DNA chimaeric constructs described in Example 1.

Transfection of the COS-7 cells is by electroporation.

Electroporation: 200 μg of plasmid DNA were mixed with 0.8 ml of cells in PBS, at a concentration of 10^7-10^8 cells/ml. Cells were pulsed with 1 kv, 25 μFD capacitance using a Bio-Rod Gene Pulser. Cells were

then placed on ice for at least 10 minutes before transfer to culture medium. Following overnight incubation at 37°C fresh medium was added to the cells.

Example 8: Humanising a mouse monoclonal antibody (chimaeric fusions)

The variable region of the murine monoclonal antibody was amplified by PCR using primers which added a *Hin*dIII restriction site to the 5′ end of the sequence and the 3′ end was designed to have a region of overlap with the 5′ end of the constant domain of the kappa chain of the human antibody REI. This was amplified using standard amplification procedures (95°C for 1 minute followed by 30 cycles of 95°C for 1 minute, 60°C for 2 minutes and 72°C for 2 minutes with a final 72°C for 10 minutes). The REI kappa constant fragment was amplified under the same conditions, with the primers adding a 5′ overlap with the 3′ end of the monoclonal antibody kappa variable and a 3′ *Xba*I site. These fragments were joined and extended by mutually primed synthesis to produce a sequence containing the variable region of the kappa chain of the murine monoclonal antibody and the constant domain from the kappa chain of the human antibody REI. PCR condition were 7 rounds of amplification, in a reaction containing both fragments, of 95°C for 2 minutes and 72°C for 4 minutes after which the outside primers were added and subjected to standard amplification procedures.

The heavy chain was constructed in a similar manner using the variable region of the heavy chain of the murine monoclonal antibody and the constant domains from the human heavy chain of NEWM.

These fragments were removed by restriction endonuclease digestion with

*Hind*III and *Xba*I. They were placed independently into the vectors pCDM8 and co-transfected into COS cells. The chimeric antibody was secreted into the medium and when tested by immunofluorescence against CEA expressed on the surface of MKN45 cells, exhibited all the characteristics of the construct which was murine in origin.

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CLAIMS

1. A molecule which (i) binds membrane-bound human carcinoembryonic antigen, (ii) binds a hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein joined (N-C) to residues 490 to C-terminus of human carcino embryonic antigen, but (iii) does not bind to human biliary glycoprotein, but excluding an intact mouse monoclonal antibody comprising an IgG_1 group IIA heavy chain and a kappa group V light chain wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is

QVKLQQSGPELKKPGETVKISCKASGYTFTVFGMNWVKQAPGKGLKWMGWINTKTGEATY
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, or wherein the sequence of the V_H chain is as given immediately above but the first amino acid residue of the V_H CDR1 is glutamine

and in either case the sequence of the V_L chain is

GDIVMTQSQRFMSTSVGDRVSVTCKASQNVGTNVAWYQQKPGQSPKALIYSASYRYSGVP
DRFTGSGSGTDFTLTISNVQSEDLAEYFCHQYYTYPLFTFGSGTKLEMKR.

2. A molecule according to Claim 1 which is an antibody comprising a human framework region and at least the complementarity determining regions of the V_H chain and V_L chain as defined in Claim 1 wherein for the V_H chain CDR1 is VFGMN, CDR2 is WINTKTGEATYVEEFKG and CDR3 is WDFYDYVEAMDY and for the V_L chain CDR1 is KASQNVGTNVA, CDR2 is SASYRYS and CDR3 is HQYYTYPLFT.

3. A molecule according to Claim 2 wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

4. A molecule according to any one of the preceding claims further

comprising a directly or indirectly cytotoxic moiety.

5. A molecule according to any one of Claims 1 to 3 further comprising a readily-detectable label.

6. A molecule according to any one of Claims 1 to 5 for use in medicine.

7. Use of a molecule according to any one of Claims 1 to 3 and 5 in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the diagnosis of colorectal carcinoma.

8. Use of a molecule according to any one of Claims 1 to 4 in the manufacture of a medicament for use in the treatment of colorectal carcinoma.

9. A process for making a monospecific antibody, the process comprising screening a pool of antibodies to select those monospecific antibodies which bind (i) human carcinoembryonic antigen, (ii) bind a hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein joined (N-C) to residues 490 to C-terminus of human carcinoembryonic antigen, but (iii) do not bind to human biliary glycoprotein.

10. A process according to Claim 9 wherein the monospecific antibody is a monoclonal antibody and the pool of antibodies is a pool of monoclonal antibodies.

11. A process according to Claim 9 wherein the antibodies within the pool comprise antibodies produced by recombinant DNA methods.

12. A process according to Claim 11 wherein the binding sites of the antibodies are displayed on the surface of a replicating vector.

13. A process according to Claim 12 wherein the replicating vector is a bacteriophage.

14. A monospecific antibody obtainable by the process of any one of Claims 9 to 13.

15. A hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein joined (N-C) to residues 490 to C-terminus of human carcinoembryonic antigen.

16. A hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein joined (N-C) to residues 490 to 643 of human carcinoembryonic antigen.

17. A hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein joined (N-C) to residues 490 to 644 of human carcinoembryonic antigen joined (N-C) to residues 391 to 430 of human biliary glycoprotein.

18. A hybrid polypeptide consisting of residues 1 to 314 of human biliary glycoprotein joined (N-C) to residues 490 to 642 of human carcinoembryonic antigen joined (N-C) to residues 387 to 430 of human biliary glycoprotein.

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Murine Heavy	W	D	F	Y	D	Y	V	E	A	M	D

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RF-TS3 backbone	Y	W	D	Q	G	T	L	V	I	V	S	S
Humanised Heavy	Y	W	G	Q	G	T	T	V	T	V	S	S
Murine Heavy	Y	W	G	Q	G	T	T	V	T	V	S	S

Figure 1

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
REI backbone	D	I	Q	M	T	Q	S	P	S	S	L	S	A	S	V
Humanized Kappa	D	I	Q	M	T	Q	S	P	S	S	L	S	A	S	V
Murine Kappa	D	I	V	M	T	Q	S	Q	R	F	M	S	T	S	V

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REI backbone	G	D	R	V	T	I	T	C	Q	A	S	Q	D	I
Humanized Kappa	G	D	R	V	T	I	T	C	K	A	S	Q	N	V
Murine Kappa	G	D	R	V	S	V	T	C	K	A	S	Q	N	V

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REI backbone	I	K	Y	L	A	W	Y	Q	Q	T	P	G	K	A
Humanized Kappa	G	T	N	V	A	W	Y	Q	Q	K	P	G	K	A
Murine Kappa	G	T	N	V	A	W	Y	Q	Q	K	P	G	Q	S

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REI backbone	P	K	L	L	I	Y	E	A	S	N	L	Q	A
Humanized Kappa	P	K	L	L	I	Y	S	A	S	Y	R	Y	S
Murine Kappa	P	K	A	L	I	Y	S	A	S	Y	R	Y	S

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REI backbone	G	V	P	S	R	F	S	G	S	G	S	G	T	D	Y
Humanized Kappa	G	V	P	S	R	F	S	G	S	G	S	G	T	D	F
Murine Kappa	G	V	P	D	R	F	T	G	S	G	S	G	T	D	F

	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
REI backbone	T	F	T	I	S	S	L	Q	P	E	D	I	A	T	Y
Humanized Kappa	T	F	T	I	S	S	L	Q	P	E	D	I	A	T	Y
Murine Kappa	T	L	T	I	S	N	V	Q	S	E	D	L	A	E	Y

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Humanized Kappa	Y	C	H	Q	Y	Y	T	Y	P	L	F	T
Murine Kappa	F	C	H	Q	Y	Y	T	Y	P	L	F	T

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Figure 2

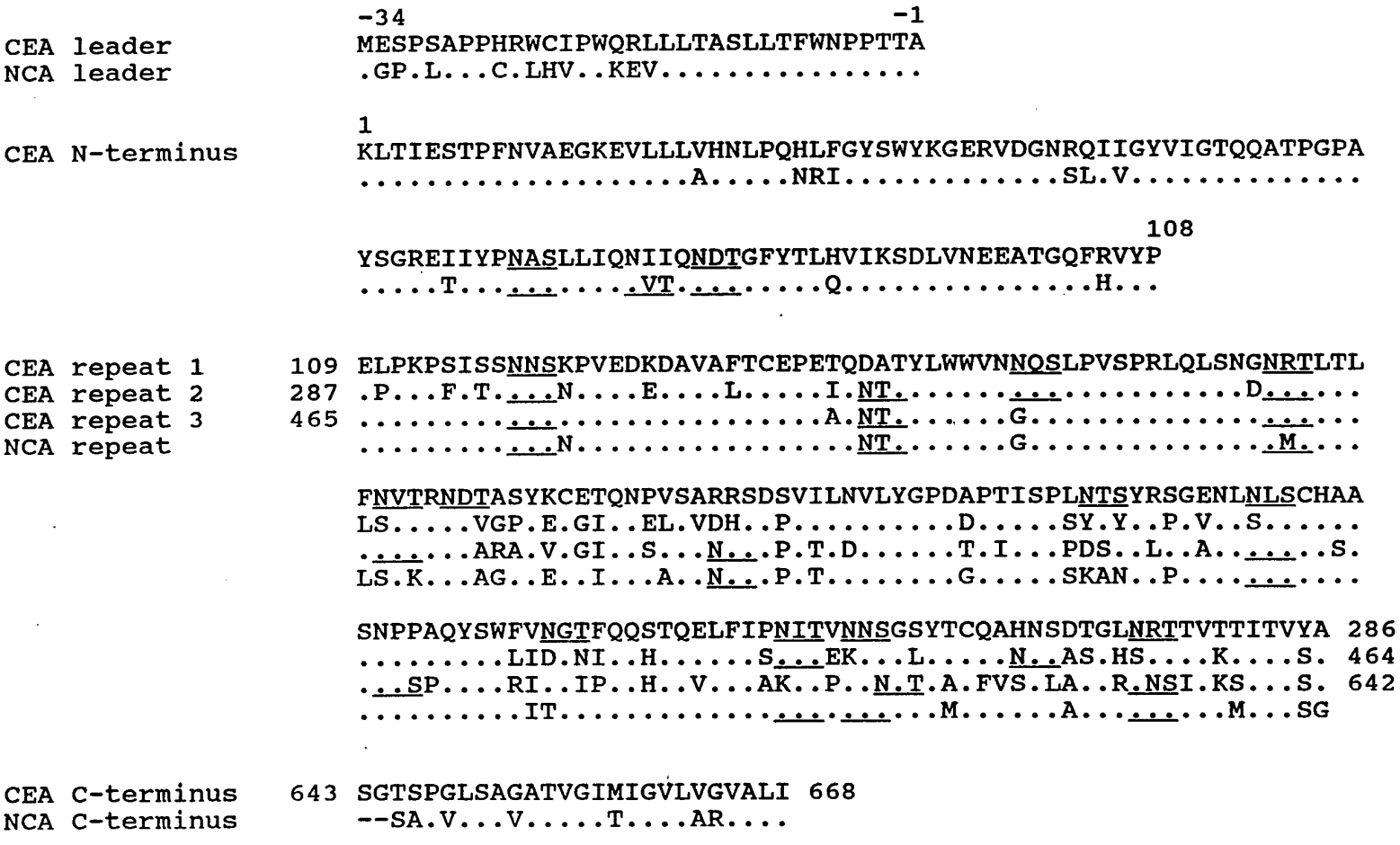
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Figure 3

FIGURE 4 (page 1 of 2)

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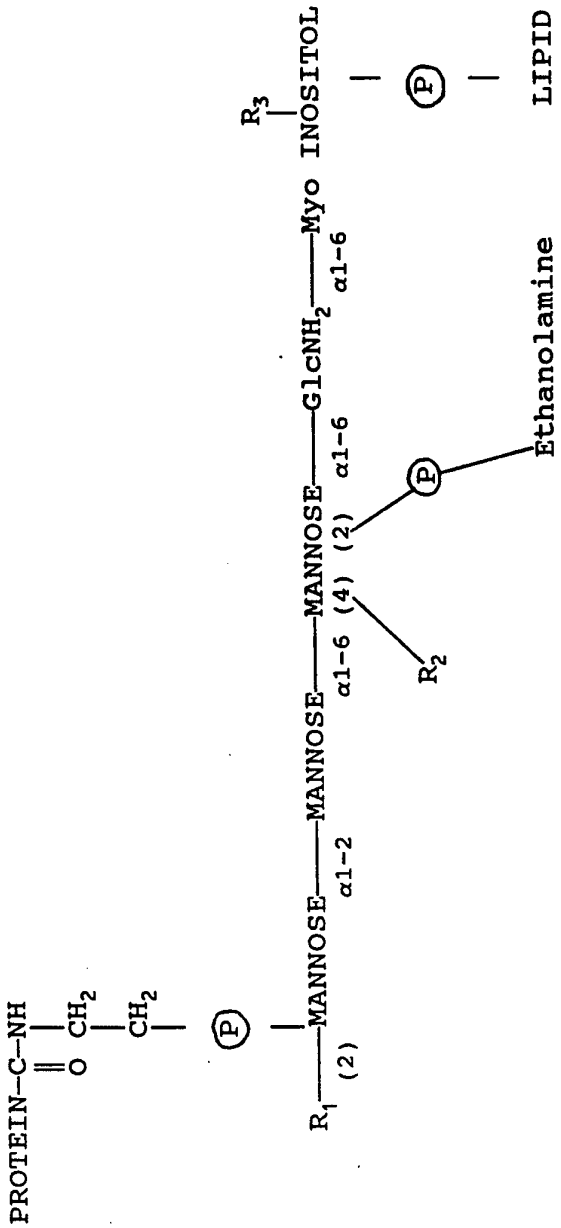
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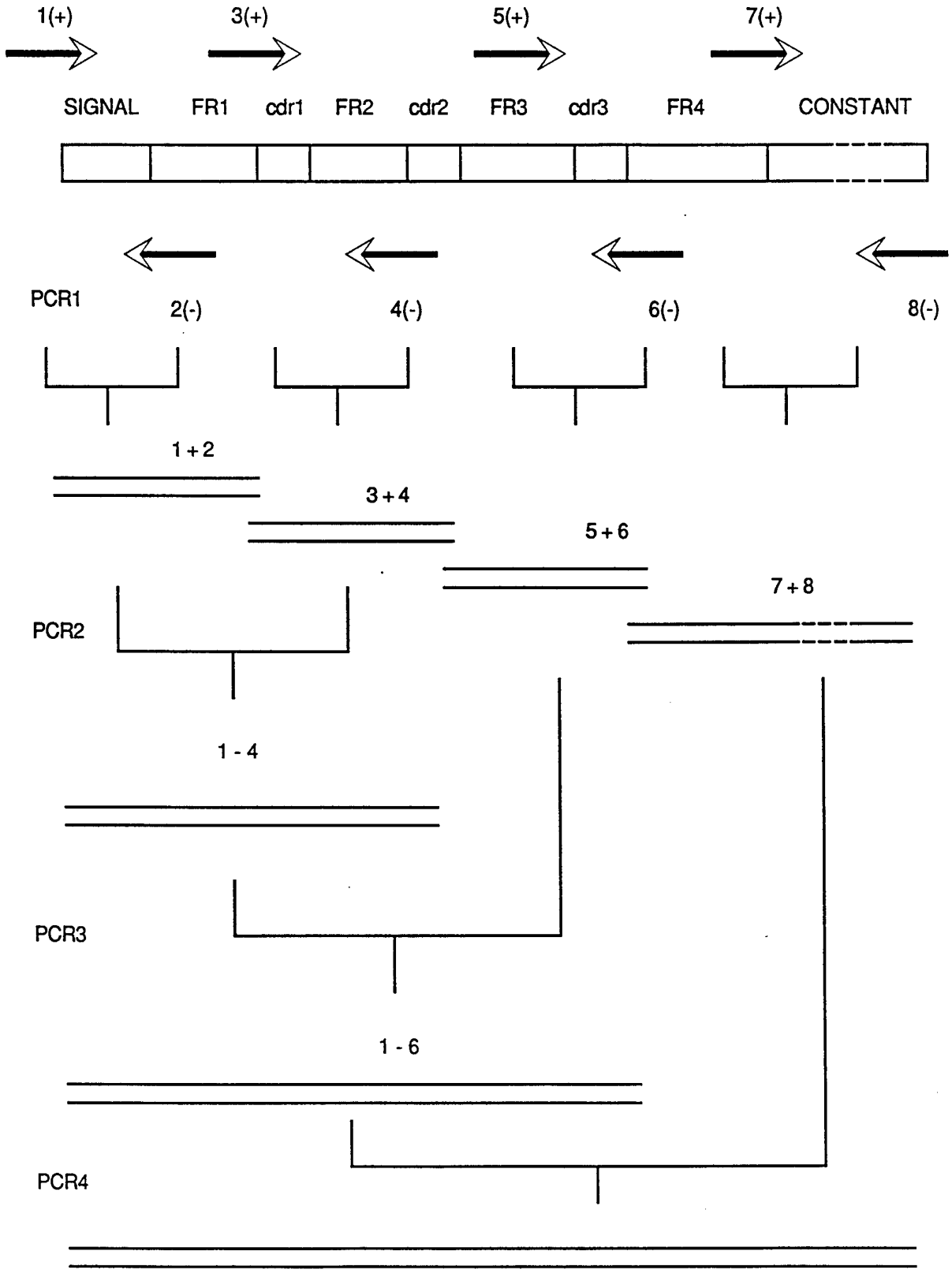
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Figure 6

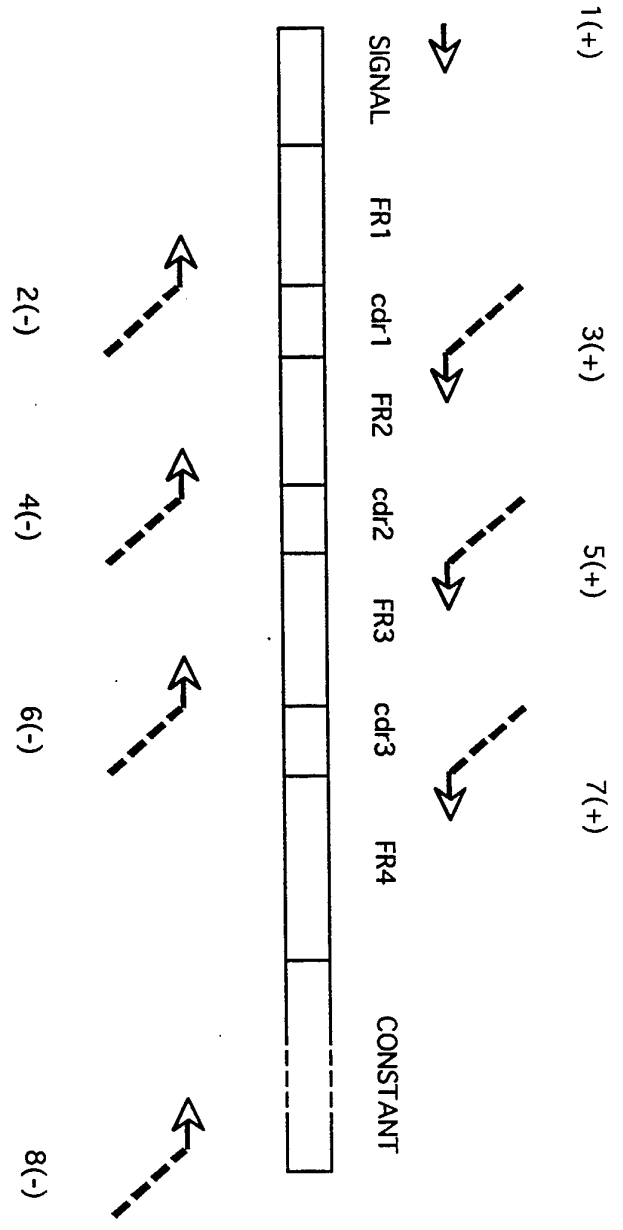


Figure 7

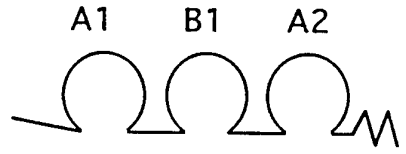
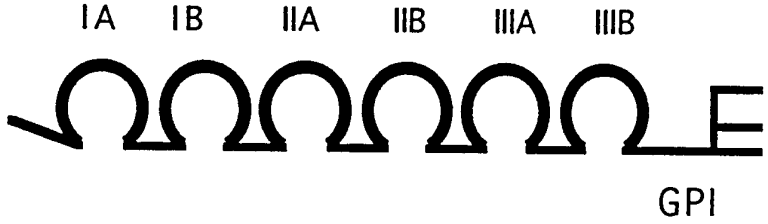
Schematic representation	Residues	PR1A3 reactivity
BGP  	430	–
CEA  	668	+
1)BGP-CEA chimera 	BGP:1-314 CEA:490-668	+
2)secreted chimera 	BGP:1-314 CEA:490-643	–
3)chimera + transmembrane domain 	BGP:1-314 CEA:490-644 BGP:391-430	–

Figure 8

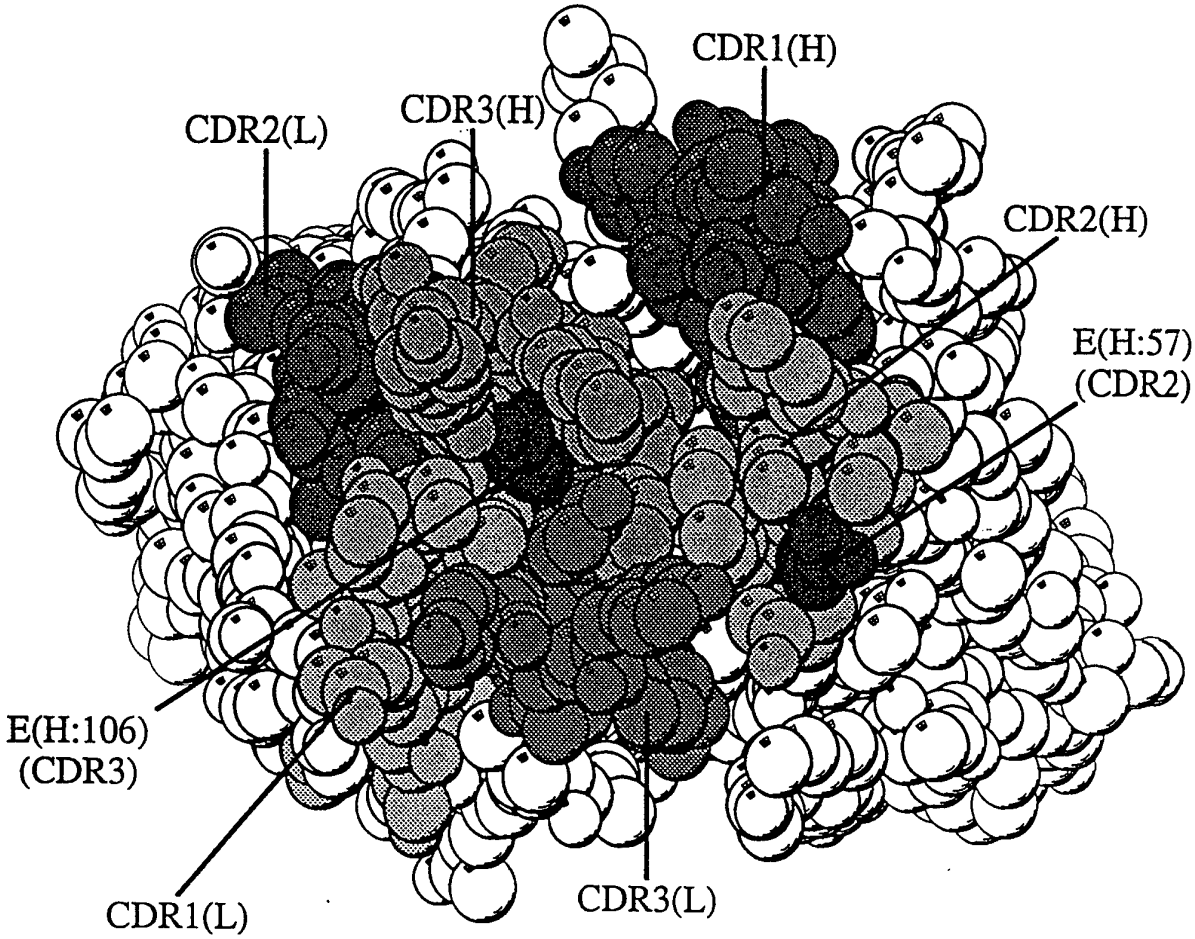


Figure 9

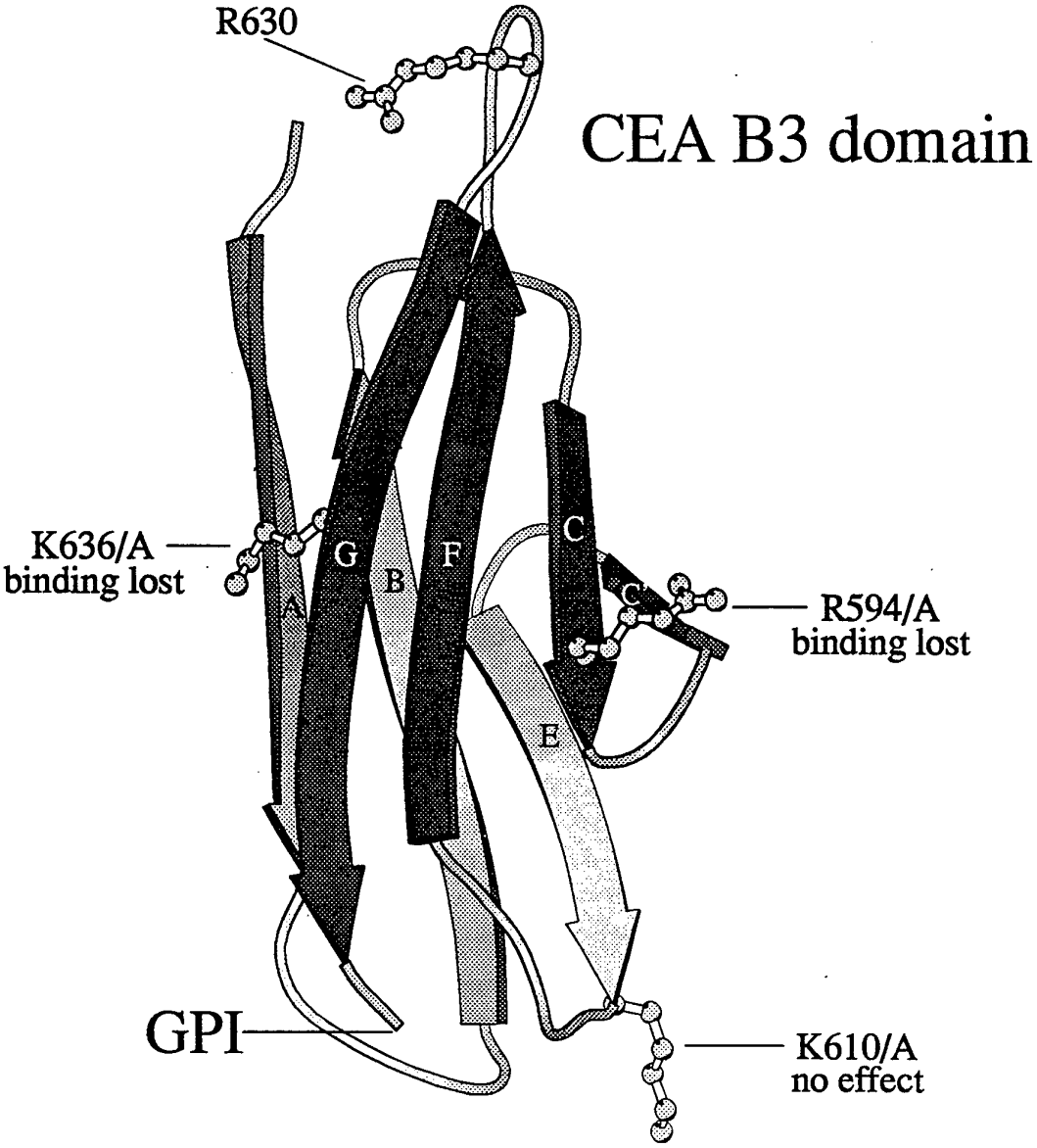

R630
CEA B3 domain
K636/A
binding lost
G
B
F
C
C'
R594/A
binding lost
A
E
GPI
K610/A
no effect

Figure 10

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                                    27                                  54
ATG GGA CCC CCC TCA GCC CCT CCC TGC AGA TTG CAT GTC CCC TGG AAG GAG GTC
MET Gly Pro Pro Ser Ala Pro Pro Cys Arg Leu His Val Pro Trp Lys Glu Val

                                    81                                 108
CTG CTC ACA GCC TCA CTT CTA ACC TTC TGG AAC CCA CCC ACC ACT GCC AAG CTC
Leu Leu Thr Ala Ser Leu Leu Thr Phe Trp Asn Pro Pro Thr Thr Ala Lys Leu

                                   135                                 162
ACT ATT GAA TCC ACG CCA TTC AAT GTC GCA GAG GGG AAG GAG GTT CTT CTA CTC
Thr Ile Glu Ser Thr Pro Phe Asn Val Ala Glu Gly Lys Glu Val Leu Leu Leu

                                   189                                 216
GCC CAC AAC CTG CCC CAG AAT CGT ATT GGT TAC AGC TGG TAC AAA GCG GAA AGA
Ala His Asn Leu Pro Gln Asn Arg Ile Gly Tyr Ser Trp Tyr Lys Ala Glu Arg

                                   243                                 270
GTG GAT GGC AAC AGT CTA ATT GTA GGA TAT GTA ATA GGA ACT CAA CAA GCT ACC
Val Asp Gly Asn Ser Leu Ile Val Gly Tyr Val Ile Gly Thr Gln Gln Ala Thr

                                   297                                 324
CCA GGG CCC GCA TAC AGT GGT CGA GAG ACA ATA TAC CCC AAT GCA TCC CTG CTG
Pro Gly Pro Ala Tyr Ser Gly Arg Glu Thr Ile Tyr Pro Asn Ala Ser Leu Leu

                                   351                                 378
ATC CAG AAC GTC ACC CAG ATT GAC ACA GGA TTC TAT ACC CTA CAA GTC ATA AAG
Ile Gln Asn Val Thr Gln Ile Asp Thr Gly Phe Tyr Thr Leu Gln Val Ile Lys

                                   405                                 432
TCA GAT CTT GTG AAT GAA GAA GCA ACC GGA CAG TTC CAT GTA TAC CCG GAG CTG
Ser Asp Leu Val Asn Glu Glu Ala Thr Gly Gln Phe His Val Tyr Pro Glu Leu

                                   459                                 486
CCC AAG CCC TCC ATC TCC AGC AAC AAC TCC AAC CCC GTG GAG GAC AAG GAT GCT
Pro Lys Pro Ser Ile Ser Ser Asn Asn Ser Asn Pro Val Glu Asp Lys Asp Ala

                                   513                                 540
GTG GCC TTC ACC TGT GAA CCT GAG GTT CAG AAC ACA ACC TAC GTC TGG TGG GTA
Val Ala Phe Thr Cys Glu Pro Glu Val Gln Asn Thr Thr Tyr Val Trp Trp Val

                                   567                                 594
AAT GGT CAG AGC CTC CCG GTC AGT CCC AGG CTG CAG CTG TCC AAT GGC AAC ATG
Asn Gly Gln Ser Leu Pro Val Ser Pro Arg Leu Gln Leu Ser Asn Gly Asn MET

                                   621                                 648
ACC CTC ACT CTA CTC AGC GTC AAA AGG AAC GAT GCA GGA TCC TAT GAA TGT GAA
Thr Leu Thr Leu Leu Ser Val Lys Arg Asn Asp Ala Gly Ser Tyr Glu Cys Glu

                                   675                                 702
ATA CAG AAC CCA GCG AGT GCC AAC CGC AGT GAC CCA GTC ACC CTG AAT GTC CTC
Ile Gln Asn Pro Ala Ser Ala Asn Arg Ser Asp Pro Val Thr Leu Asn Val Leu

                                   729                                 756
TAT GGC CCA GAT GGC CCC ACC ATT TCC CCC TCA AAG GCC AAT TAC CGT CCA GGG
Tyr Gly Pro Asp Gly Pro Thr Ile Ser Pro Ser Lys Ala Asn Tyr Arg Pro Gly
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                                    783                                 810
GAA AAT CTG AAC CTC TCC TCG CAC GCA GCC TCT AAC CCA CCT GCA CAG TAC TCT
Glu Asn Leu Asn Leu Ser Ser His Ala Ala Ser Asn Pro Pro Ala Gln Tyr Ser

                                    837                                 864
TGG TTT ATC AAT GGG ACG TTC CAG CAA TCC ACA CAA GAG CTC TTT ATC CCC AAC
Trp Phe Ile Asn Gly Thr Phe Gln Gln Ser Thr Gln Glu Leu Phe Ile Pro Asn

                                    891                                 918
ATC ACT GTG AAT AAT AGC GGA TCC TAT ATG TGC CAA GCC CAT AAC TCA GCC ACT
Ile Thr Val Asn Asn Ser Gly Ser Tyr MET Cys Gln Ala His Asn Ser Ala Thr

                                    945                                 972
GGC CTC AAT AGG ACC ACA GTC ACG ATG ATC ACA GTC TCT GGA AGT GCT CCT GTC
Gly Leu Asn Arg Thr Thr Val Thr MET Ile Thr Val Ser Gly Ser Ala Pro Val

                                    999                                1026
CTC TCA GCT GTG GCC ACC GTC GGC ATC ACG ATT GGA GTG CTG GCC AGG GTC GCT
Leu Ser Ala Val Ala Thr Val Gly Ile Thr Ile Gly Val Leu Ala Arg Val Ala

                                   1053                                1080
CTG ATA TAG CAG CCC TGG TGT ATT TTC GAT ATT TCA GGA AGA CTG GCA GAT TGG
Leu Ile  .


ACC AGA CCC TGA ATT CTT CTA GC
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                                    27                                  54
TCG GCC CCT CCC CAC AGA TGG TGC ATC CCC TGG CAG AGG CTC CTG CTC ACA GCC
Ser Ala Pro Pro His Arg Trp Cys Ile Pro Trp Gln Arg Leu Leu Leu Thr Ala

                                    81                                 108
TCA CTT CTA ACC TTC TGG AAC CCG CCC ACC ACT GCC AAG CTC ACT ATT GAA TCC
Ser Leu Leu Thr Phe Trp Asn Pro Pro Thr Thr Ala Lys Leu Thr Ile Glu Ser
                                                    1

                                   135                                 162
ACG CCG TTC AAT GTC GCA GAG GGG AAG GAG GTG CTT CTA CTT GTC CAC AAT CTG
Thr Pro Phe Asn Val Ala Glu Gly Lys Glu Val Leu Leu Leu Val His Asn Leu

                                   189                                 216
CCC CAG CAT CTT TTT GGC TAC AGC TGG TAC AAA GGT GAA AGA GTG GAT GGC AAC
Pro Gln His Leu Phe Gly Tyr Ser Trp Tyr Lys Gly Glu Arg Val Asp Gly Asn

                                   243                                 270
CGT CAA ATT ATA GGA TAT GTA ATA GGA ACT CAA CAA GCT ACC CCA GGG CCC GCA
Arg Gln Ile Ile Gly Tyr Val Ile Gly Thr Gln Gln Ala Thr Pro Gly Pro Ala

                                   297                                 324
TAC AGT GGT CGA GAG ATA ATA TAC CCC AAT GCA TCC CTG CTG ATC CAG AAC ATC
Tyr Ser Gly Arg Glu Ile Ile Tyr Pro Asn Ala Ser Leu Leu Ile Gln Asn Ile

                                   351                                 378
ATC CAG AAT GAC ACA GGA TTC TAC ACC CTA CAC GTC ATA AAG TCA GAT CTT GTG
Ile Gln Asn Asp Thr Gly Phe Tyr Thr Leu His Val Ile Lys Ser Asp Leu Val

                                   405                                 432
AAT GAA GAA GCA ACT GGC CAG TTC CGG GTA TAC CCG GAG CTG CCC AAG CCC TCC
Asn Glu Glu Ala Thr Gly Gln Phe Arg Val Tyr Pro Glu Leu Pro Lys Pro Ser
                                            108 109

                                   459                                 486
ATC TCC AGC AAC AAC TCC AAA CCC GTG GAG GAC AAG GAT GCT GTG GCC TTC ACC
Ile Ser Ser Asn Asn Ser Lys Pro Val Glu Asp Lys Asp Ala Val Ala Phe Thr

                                   513                                 540
TGT GAA CCT GAG ACT CAG GAC GCA ACC TAC CTG TGG TGG GTA AAC AAT CAG AGC
Cys Glu Pro Glu Thr Gln Asp Ala Thr Tyr Leu Trp Trp Val Asn Asn Gln Ser

                                   567                                 594
CTC CCG GTC AGT CCC AGG CTG CAG CTG TCC AAT GGC AAC AGG ACC CTC ACT CTA
Leu Pro Val Ser Pro Arg Leu Gln Leu Ser Asn Gly Asn Arg Thr Leu Thr Leu

                                   621                                 648
TTC AAT GTC ACA AGA AAT GAC ACA GCA AGC TAC AAA TGT GAA ACC CAG AAC CCA
Phe Asn Val Thr Arg Asn Asp Thr Ala Ser Tyr Lys Cys Glu Thr Gln Asn Pro

                                   675                                 702
GTG AGT GCC AGG CGC AGT GAT TCA GTC ATC CTG AAT GTC CTC TAT GGC CCG GAT
Val Ser Ala Arg Arg Ser Asp Ser Val Ile Leu Asn Val Leu Tyr Gly Pro Asp

                                   729                                 756
GCC CCC ACC ATT TCC CCT CTA AAC ACA TCT TAC AGA TCA GGG GAA AAT CTG AAC
Ala Pro Thr Ile Ser Pro Leu Asn Thr Ser Tyr Arg Ser Gly Glu Asn Leu Asn

                                   783                                 810
CTC TCC TGC CAC GCA GCC TCT AAC CCA CCT GCA CAG TAC TCT TGG TTT GTC AAT
Leu Ser Cys His Ala Ala Ser Asn Pro Pro Ala Gln Tyr Ser Trp Phe Val Asn
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                                    837                                 864
GGG ACT TTC CAG CAA TCC ACC CAA GAG CTC TTT ATC CCC AAC ATC ACT GTG AAT
Gly Thr Phe Gln Gln Ser Thr Gln Glu Leu Phe Ile Pro Asn Ile Thr Val Asn

                                    891                                 918
AAT AGT GGA TCC TAT ACG TGC CAA GCC CAT AAC TCA GAC ACT GGC CTC AAT AGG
Asn Ser Gly Ser Tyr Thr Cys Gln Ala His Asn Ser Asp Thr Gly Leu Asn Arg

                                    945                                 972
ACC ACA GTC ACG ACG ATC ACA GTC TAT GCA GAG CCA CCC AAA CCC TTC ATC ACC
Thr Thr Val Thr Thr Ile Thr Val Tyr Ala Glu Pro Pro Lys Pro Phe Ile Thr
                                        286 287

                                    999                                1026
AGC AAC AAC TCC AAC CCC GTG GAG GAT GAG GAT GCT GTA GCC TTA ACC TGT GAA
Ser Asn Asn Ser Asn Pro Val Glu Asp Glu Asp Ala Val Ala Leu Thr Cys Glu

                                   1053                                1080
CCT GAG ATT CAG AAC ACA ACC TAC CTG TGG TGG GTA AAT AAT CAG AGC CTC CCG
Pro Glu Ile Gln Asn Thr Thr Tyr Leu Trp Trp Val Asn Asn Gln Ser Leu Pro

                                   1107                                1134
GTC AGT CCC AGG CTG CAG CTG TCC AAT GAC AAC AGG ACC CTC ACT CTA CTC AGT
Val Ser Pro Arg Leu Gln Leu Ser Asn Asp Asn Arg Thr Leu Thr Leu Leu Ser

                                   1161                                1188
GTC ACA AGG AAT GAT GTA GGA CCC TAT GAG TGT GGA ATC CAG AAC GAA TTA AGT
Val Thr Arg Asn Asp Val Gly Pro Tyr Glu Cys Gly Ile Gln Asn Glu Leu Ser

                                   1215                                1242
GTT GAC CAC AGC GAC CCA GTC ATC CTG AAT GTC CTC TAT GGC CCA GAC GAC CCC
Val Asp His Ser Asp Pro Val Ile Leu Asn Val Leu Tyr Gly Pro Asp Asp Pro

                                   1269                                1296
ACC ATT TCC CCC TCA TAC ACC TAT TAC CGT CCA GGG GTG AAC CTC AGC CTC TCC
Thr Ile Ser Pro Ser Tyr Thr Tyr Tyr Arg Pro Gly Val Asn Leu Ser Leu Ser

                                   1323                                1350
TGC CAT GCA GCC TCT AAC CCA CCT GCA CAG TAT TCT TGG CTG ATT GAT GGG AAC
Cys His Ala Ala Ser Asn Pro Pro Ala Gln Tyr Ser Trp Leu Ile Asp Gly Asn

                                   1377                                1404
ATC CAG CAA CAC ACA CAA GAG CTC TTT ATC TCC AAC ATC ACT GAG AAG AAC AGC
Ile Gln Gln His Thr Gln Glu Leu Phe Ile Ser Asn Ile Thr Glu Lys Asn Ser

                                   1431                                1458
GGA CTC TAT ACC TGC CAG GCC AAT AAC TCA GCC AGT GGC CAC AGC AGG ACT ACA
Gly Leu Tyr Thr Cys Gln Ala Asn Asn Ser Ala Ser Gly His Ser Arg Thr Thr

                                   1485                                1512
GTC AAG ACA ATC ACA GTC TCT GCG GAG CTG CCC AAG CCC TCC ATC TCC AGC AAC
Val Lys Thr Ile Thr Val Ser Ala Glu Leu Pro Lys Pro Ser Ile Ser Ser Asn
                                464 465

                                   1539                                1566
AAC TCC AAA CCC GTG GAG GAC AAG GAT GCT GTG GCC TTC ACC TGT GAA CCT GAG
Asn Ser Lys Pro Val Glu Asp Lys Asp Ala Val Ala Phe Thr Cys Glu Pro Glu

                                   1593                                1620
GCT CAG AAC ACA ACC TAC CTG TGG TGG GTA AAT GGT CAG AGC CTC CCA GTC AGT
Ala Gln Asn Thr Thr Tyr Leu Trp Trp Val Asn Gly Gln Ser Leu Pro Val Ser
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                                    1647                                1674
CCC AGG CTG CAG CTG TCC AAT GGC AAC AGG ACC CTC ACT CTA TTC AAT GTC ACA
Pro Arg Leu Gln Leu Ser Asn Gly Asn Arg Thr Leu Thr Leu Phe Asn Val Thr

                                    1701                                1728
AGA AAT GAC GCA AGA GCC TAT GTA TGT GGA ATC CAG AAC TCA GTG AGT GCA AAC
Arg Asn Asp Ala Arg Ala Tyr Val Cys Gly Ile Gln Asn Ser Val Ser Ala Asn

                                    1755                                1782
CGC AGT GAC CCA GTC ACC CTG GAT GTC CTC TAT GGG CCG GAC ACC CCC ATC ATT
Arg Ser Asp Pro Val Thr Leu Asp Val Leu Tyr Gly Pro Asp Thr Pro Ile Ile

                                    1809                                1836
TCC CCC CCA GAC TCG TCT TAC CTT TCG GGA GCG AAC CTC AAC CTC TCC TGC CAC
Ser Pro Pro Asp Ser Ser Tyr Leu Ser Gly Ala Asn Leu Asn Leu Ser Cys His

                                    1863                                1890
TCG GCC TCT AAC CCA TCC CCG CAG TAT TCT TGG CGT ATC AAT GGG ATA CCG CAG
Ser Ala Ser Asn Pro Ser Pro Gln Tyr Ser Trp Arg Ile Asn Gly Ile Pro Gln

                                    1917                                1944
CAA CAC ACA CAA GTT CTC TTT ATC GCC AAA ATC ACG CCA AAT AAT AAC GGG ACC
Gln His Thr Gln Val Leu Phe Ile Ala Lys Ile Thr Pro Asn Asn Asn Gly Thr

                                    1971                                1998
TAT GCC TGT TTT GTC TCT AAC TTG GCT ACT GGC CGC AAT AAT TCC ATA GTC AAG
Tyr Ala Cys Phe Val Ser Asn Leu Ala Thr Gly Arg Asn Asn Ser Ile Val Lys

                                    2025                                2052
AGC ATC ACA GTC TCT GCA TCT GGA ACT TCT CCT GGT CTC TCA GCT GGG GCC ACT
Ser Ile Thr Val Ser Ala Ser Gly Thr Ser Pro Gly Leu Ser Ala Gly Ala Thr
                    642 643

                                    2079
GTC GGC ATC ATG ATT GGA GTG CTG GTT GGG GTT GCT CTG ATA TAG
Val Gly Ile MET Ile Gly Val Leu Val Gly Val Ala Leu Ile  .
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FIGURE 13

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                                    27                                  54
ATG GGC ATC AAG ATG GAG TCA CAT TCC CTG GTC TTT GTA TAC ATG TTG CTG TGG
MET Gly Ile Lys MET Glu Ser His Ser Leu Val Phe Val Tyr MET Leu Leu Trp

                                    81                                 108
TTG TCT GGT GTT GAT GGA GAC ATT GTG ATG ACC CAG TCT CAA AGA TTC ATG TCC
Leu Ser Gly Val Asp Gly Asp Ile Val MET Thr Gln Ser Gln Arg Phe MET Ser

                                   135                                 162
ACA TCA GTA GGA GAC AGG GTC AGC GTC ACC TGC AAG GCC AGT CAG AAT GTG GGT
Thr Ser Val Gly Asp Arg Val Ser Val Thr Cys Lys Ala Ser Gln Asn Val Gly

                                   189                                 216
ACT AAT GTT GCC TGG TAT CAA CAG AAA CCA GGA CAA TCC CCT AAA GCA CTG ATT
Thr Asn Val Ala Trp Tyr Gln Gln Lys Pro Gly Gln Ser Pro Lys Ala Leu Ile

                                   243                                 270
TAC TCG GCA TCC TAC CGG TAC AGT GGA GTC CCT GAT CGC TTC ACA GGC AGT GGA
Tyr Ser Ala Ser Tyr Arg Tyr Ser Gly Val Pro Asp Arg Phe Thr Gly Ser Gly

                                   297                                 324
TCT GGG ACA GAT TTC ACT CTC ACC ATC AGC AAT GTA CAG TCT GAA GAC TTG GCG
Ser Gly Thr Asp Phe Thr Leu Thr Ile Ser Asn Val Gln Ser Glu Asp Leu Ala

                                   351                                 378
GAG TAT TTC TGT CAC CAA TAT TAC ACC TAT CCT CTA TTC ACG TTC GGC TCG GGG
Glu Tyr Phe Cys His Gln Tyr Tyr Thr Tyr Pro Leu Phe Thr Phe Gly Ser Gly


ACA AAG TTG GAA ATG AAA
Thr Lys Leu Glu MET Lys
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FIGURE 14

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                                    27                                  54
ATG GGA TGG AGC TGT ATC ATG CTC TTC TTG GCA GCA ACA GCT ACA GGT GTC CAC
MET Gly Trp Ser Cys Ile MET Leu Phe Leu Ala Ala Thr Ala     Gly Val His

                                    81                                 108
TCC CAG GTG AAG CTG CAG CAG TCA GGA CCT GAG TTG AAG AAG CCT GGA GAG ACA
Ser Gln Val Lys Leu Gln Gln Ser Gly Pro Glu Leu Lys Lys Pro Gly Glu Thr

                                   135                                 162
GTC AAG ATC TCC TGC AAG GCT TCT GGA TAT ACC TTC ACA GTG TTT GGA ATG AAC
Val Lys Ile Ser Cys Lys Ala Ser Gly Tyr Thr Phe Thr Val Phe Gly MET Asn

                                   189                                 216
TGG GTG AAG CAG GCT CCT GGA AAG GGT TTA AAG TGG ATG GGC TGG ATA AAC ACC
Trp Val Lys Gln Ala Pro Gly Lys Gly Leu Lys Trp MET Gly Trp Ile Asn Thr

                                   243                                 270
AAA ACT GGA GAG GCA ACA TAT GTT GAA GAG TTT AAG GGA CGG TTT GCC TTC TCT
Lys Thr Gly Glu Ala Thr Tyr Val Glu Glu Phe Lys Gly Arg Phe Ala Phe Ser

                                   297                                 324
TTG GAG ACC TCT GCC ACC ACT GCC TAT TTG CAG ATC AAC AAC CTC AAA AAT GAG
Leu Glu Thr Ser Ala Thr Thr Ala Tyr Leu Gln Ile Asn Asn Leu Lys Asn Glu

                                   351                                 378
GAC ACG GCT AAA TAT TTC TGT GCA AGA TGG GAC TTC TAT GAT TAC GTG GAG GCT
Asp Thr Ala Lys Tyr Phe Cys Ala Arg Trp Asp Phe Tyr Asp Tyr Val Glu Ala

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ATG GAC TAC TGG GGC CAA GGG ACC ACG GTC ACC GTC TCC
MET Asp Tyr Trp Gly Gln Gly Thr Thr Val Thr Val Ser
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