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Multi-parametric humanization for single-step engineering to accelerate lead antibody development

Amplifying the therapeutic potential of rabbit antibodies

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End-to-end antibody discovery and development

Fully-integrated lead generation workflow through a powerful integration of *in vitro, in vivo, in silico* technologies

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Integrated end-to-end workflow – case study overview



Empowering diversity-focused discovery and data-driven down-selection

- A moving target Opposing effects
- Discovery Diversity-focused
- Functionality profiling Epitope landscape-guided
- Further development Data-driven decision making



A moving target

Maximize therapeutic potential of moving targets



Restoring normal signaling

 Shown to reduce pathological effects of disbalance in preclinical models

Dampening overstimulation

• Antagonistic molecule in clinical trials

Aim:

 Identify molecules inducing opposing effects on cellular function

Balanced signaling needed for prevention of disease



Diversity-focused discovery

Discovery to hit unique epitopes



Rabbit immunization

- *In vivo* antibody maturation with diversity
- Alternating immunization

Robust B cell selection platform

- Target enrichment
- High throughput reactivity screening
- B cell clone v-domain sequencing

Triaging based on multiple binding data points



- Initial screening revealed 220 hits
- 48 prioritized for confirmational screening and v-domain sequencing

Diversity-focused discovery

In vitro epitope landscape profiling to triage mAbs for MoA analysis



Recombinant production of selected candidates (rPEx[®])

- Recombinant cloning, production and purification
- QC including HP-SEC and multiplex flow cytometry

High quality proteins to advance mode of action (MoA) analysis





Recombinantly expressed mAbs passed QC

- Monomericity
- Confirmed binding

Diversity-focused discovery

In vitro epitope landscape profiling to triage mAbs for MoA screening



SPR-based epitope binning analyses

Competition-driven epitope landscape profiling

- Natural signaling molecule
- Clinical benchmark
- All-to-all candidates



HT Classical Binning - monovalent Ag





Venn diagram



Clustering of antibodies into 7 'bins' based on the antigen epitope region

- Clinical benchmark falls into a bin in major cluster
- mAbs of major cluster prioritized for MoA analysis

Functional Diversity: from sequence to epitope to MoA

Custom functional screening for moving targets – assaying agonistic and antagonistic potential

Mode of Action profiling

- Assessment of pathwayspecific transcription factor phosphorylation
- Incubation of endogenous expressor with mAb

Custom functional assay to allow for MoA profiling



Epitope bin-dependent Mode of Action

• 10 candidates selected for further development

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Scalable, integrated de-risking workflow



Lead candidate panel			
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In silico risk assessment Antibody production			
evelopability Immunogenicity Liabilities mAb bsAb VHH scFv			
In silico lead engineering Antibody panel characterization			
Molecular Affinity Humanization Internalization Effector Developability cell			
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Multi-parametric humanization for single-step engineering 🛞

Species agnostic workflow allowing for humanizing multiple lead candidates in parallel

Scalable in silico humanization

- CDR grafting to prioritized human germlines
- Amino acid substitutions based on advanced structural analysis
- Early de-risking addressing high risk liabilities



Highly scalable technologies advancing lead selection

Multiple lead candidates in parallel

- Scalable *in silico* design of variants
- High-throughput *in silico* risk assessment
 - Immunogenicity
 - Developability
- High-throughput *in vitro* characterizations
 - Kinetics
 - Developability

Highly scalable in silico risk assessment

LENS^{ai} immunogenicity analysis: Built for volume with detailed insights



LENS^{ai} **immunogenicity analysis** Multidimensional assessment

- Combining humanness with HLA-II binding
- Limitless quantities
- From global ranking to subsequence scoring



LENS^{ai} Immunogenicity score of candidate and therapeutic mAb





Highly scalable in silico risk assessment

In silico developability profiling enabling data-driven decision making



In silico biophysical characterization

Fv AggScore

- Scoring for aggregation-prone regions in antibodies based on hydrophobic and electrostatic patches
- Relative ranking towards a clinical benchmark mAb library

Fv charge symmetry, CDR AggScore, pl, CDR + and – patch energy, CDR length

Fv AggScores of candidate and therapeutic mAb



- Parental mAbs
- Humanized mAbs
- Therapeutic mAb library

Therapeutic mAb-like AggScore for all humanized variants

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In silico structure-based liability analysis

Liability score

- Scoring for solvent-exposed sequence liabilities
- Relative ranking towards a clinical benchmark mAb library

Solvent-exposed liability scores of candidate and therapeutic mAb





High-throughput in vitro affinity screening of humanized variants

Kinetics using monovalent Ag

Empowering diversity-driven discovery during lead candidate development

HT SPR-based affinity determination

- Crude small-scale recombinant production sup
- High-throughput





In-depth insights in kinetic parameters



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High-throughput in vitro profiling of physicochemical properties

Empowering diversity to mitigate risk for clinical development

HT in vitro developability profiling

More informed decision making for clinical development

- High-throughput profiling of physicochemical properties
- Rank candidates against >125 clinical mAbs (CHO-expressed)

SEC-HPLC Aggregation	HIC-HPLC Hydrophobicity	DSF Thermal stability	Poly reactivity e.g. d5DNA, KLH, insulin, cardiolipin, LPS, BSA DLS Diffusion interaction parameter Mass spec	
SMAC-HPLC Colloidal stability	CIEX-HPLC Charge	PEG solubility assay		
CIC-HPLC Poly Ig interaction	FcRn- HPLC mAb clearance	AC-SINS Self-interaction		

Polyreactivity scores of candidate and therapeutic mAb



- Parental mAbs
- Humanized mAbs
- Therapeutic mAb library

Therapeutic mAb-like polyreactivity scores for significant set of humanized variants

Case study highlights

Integrated end-to-end discovery and development



Synergy between in silico and in vitro technologies

Diversity-focused antibody discovery

- Multiple data points at an early-stage
- HT methods/technologies facilitating triaging for MoA screening
 - Binding, sequencing, epitope landscape profiling

Advancing and de-risking lead development

- Scalable/efficient lead candidate humanization
- More informed decision making
 - Highly scalable *in silico* assessments, high-throughput *in vitro* characterizations



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Synergy between *in silico* and *in vitro* technologies

Data-driven lead selection

- Combining scalable engineering and detailed risk insights
- Start at advanced
- Avoid extensive engineering

Details KD-Immunogenicity score-Humaness score-0.8 AggScore-Liability score-0.6 Fv Charge Symmetrypl-0.4 CDR AggScore-**CDR Positive Patch Energy** CDR Negative Patch Energy-0.2 CDR Length-Polyreactivity-

Empowering the value of hit diversity by highly scalable in silico-driven de-risking

Fusion of *in silico* and wet lab empowers multi-parametric approaches

More informed decision making to amplify lead selection

Customized program design

- > Target insights
- > Therapeutic lead requirements

Diversity-focused discovery

- > Functional diversity:From sequence toepitope to MoA
- > HT technologies
 empowering triaging of
 large antibody panels

Data-driven decision making

- > Early engineering combined with in-depth risk assessment
- > Highly scalable in silico technologies matched with HT in vitro techniques

In conclusion,

In today's ever-evolving clinical landscape, uniting the scalability of *in silico* technologies with the experimental depth of high throughout *in vitro* studies amplifies therapeutic lead generation with precision by advancing and enabling data-driven decision making.

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