

Agonistic Death Receptor 5 (DR5) IgM antibody IGM-8444 induces tumor cell apoptosis *in vitro* and *in vivo* and has a favorable *in vitro* safety profile

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Background

- Tumor necrosis factor receptor (TNFR) superfamily member death receptor DR5 requires multimerization to induce apoptosis and tumor cytotoxicity (Pan et al., 2019, Cell 176, 1477)
- While agonistic IgG antibodies targeting DR5 have demonstrated evidence of preclinical efficacy, limited clinical efficacy was observed likely due to insufficient receptor multimerization in the tumor microenvironment
- Some multivalent DR5 agonists have shown signs of clinical efficacy but also liver toxicity
- We have developed IGM-8444, a novel multivalent anti-DR5 IgM antibody that effectively clusters DR5 to induce tumor cytotoxicity *in vitro* and *in vivo*

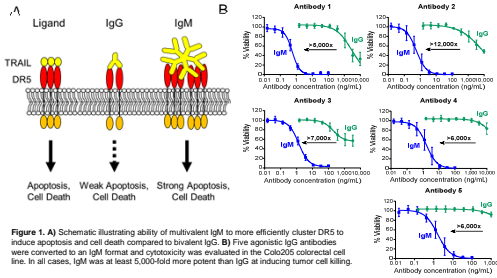


Figure 1. A) Schematic illustrating ability of multivalent IgM to more efficiently cluster DR5 to induce apoptosis and cell death compared to bivalent IgG. B) Five agonistic IgG antibodies were converted to an IgM format and cytotoxicity was evaluated in the Colo205 colorectal cell line. In all cases, IgM was at least 5,000-fold more potent than IgG at inducing tumor cell killing.

IGM-8444 Binds and Induces Apoptosis in Tumor Cells

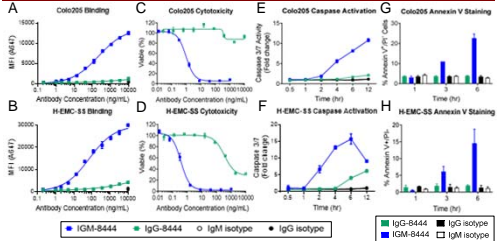


Figure 2. IGM-8444 binding and cytotoxicity was evaluated in the Colo205 colorectal and HEMC-S5 chondrosarcoma cell lines. Cells were incubated with IGM-8444, IgG-8444 (an IgG with the same binding domain), or isotype controls. A) and B) Binding was measured by flow cytometry using an anti-human kappa antibody. C) and D) Cells were treated with IGM-8444 or IgG-8444 for 24 hours and viability was measured using 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide (MTT). E) and F) Cells were treated with 1 µg/mL of each antibody and caspase activation was measured using the Caspase 3/7-Glo reporter assay. G) and H) Cells were treated with 1 µg/mL of each antibody and apoptosis was determined as a percentage of Annexin V positive PI negative cells by flow cytometry.

IGM-8444 Does Not Induce Killing of Primary Human Hepatocytes *In Vitro*

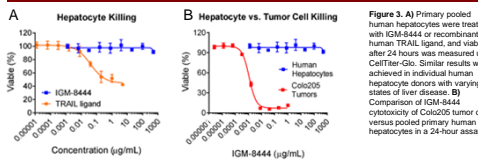


Figure 3. A) Primary pooled human hepatocytes were treated with IGM-8444 or recombinant human TRAIL ligand, and viability after 24 hours was measured using CellTiter-Glo. Similar results were achieved in individual human hepatocyte donors with varying states of liver disease. B) Comparison of IGM-8444 cytotoxicity of Colo205 tumor cells versus pooled primary human hepatocytes in a 24-hour assay.

IGM-8444 Induces Cytotoxicity Across Multiple Tumor Cell Line Indications

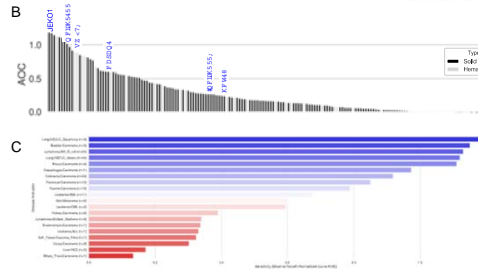
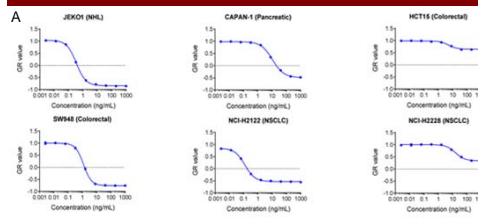


Figure 4. A) Examples of various IGM-8444 cytotoxicity responses. Tumor cell lines (n=190) were treated with IGM-8444 and viability was measured after 96 hours using CellTiter-Glo. Viability data was normalized for growth rate using GxP Calculator and resulting GR values were plotted versus concentration. B) Distribution of area-under-the-curve (AOC) for the growth rate normalized dose response curve of 157 solid and 53 hematological cancer cell lines. C) Indications are sorted and scaled by the distribution of maximal AOC in order of sensitive (blue) to insensitive (red).

Combination of IGM-8444 with Chemotherapy Results in Enhanced Tumor Cytotoxicity *In Vitro*

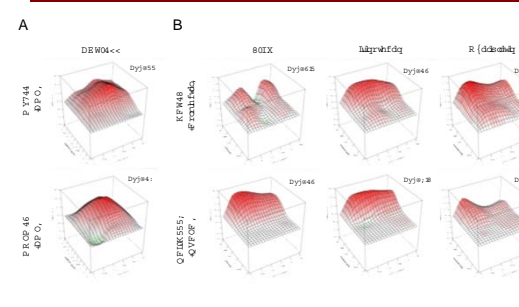


Figure 5. Synergistic response of combination chemotherapy and IGM-8444 in solid tumor and AML cell lines. A) AML cell lines MOLM13 and MV411 experienced synergy on average across the combination dose spectrum (Bias<5). B) HCT115 and NCI-H2228 showed high average synergistic cytotoxicity (Bias<5, red). Normal human hepatocytes experienced less toxicity in synergy than solid tumor cell lines (data not shown).

IGM-8444 is Efficacious as a Monotherapy in CDX and PDX Mouse Tumor Models

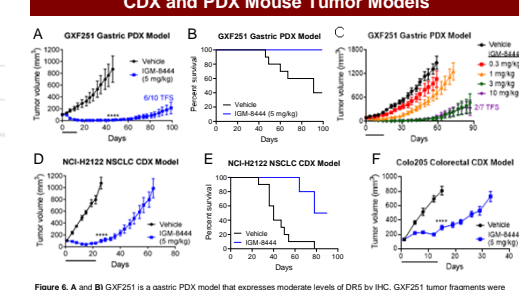


Figure 6. A) and B) GXF251 is a gastric PDX model that expresses moderate levels of DR5 by IHC. GXF251 tumor fragments were implanted s.c. and IGM-8444 was dosed at 5 mg/kg i.v. q2d7 or C) at 0.3, 1, 3, or 10 mg/kg i.v. q2d7. IGM-8444 induced tumor regressions and some animals in the 5 and 10 mg/kg treatment groups were tumor-free by study end. D) and E) NCI-H2122 cells were implanted s.c. and IGM-8444 was dosed at 5 mg/kg i.v. q2d8. Tumor regressions were observed during the dosing period. F) Colo205 cells were implanted s.c. and IGM-8444 was dosed at 5 mg/kg i.v. q2d7. Tumor stasis was observed during the dosing period. Mann-Whitney U tests were used to compare tumor volume in treated versus control groups on the last day that all vehicle animals were on study. ****p<0.0001. Bar below x-axis indicates dosing period. TFS, tumor-free survivor.

Combination of IGM-8444 with Chemotherapy and ABT-199 Enhances *In Vivo* Efficacy

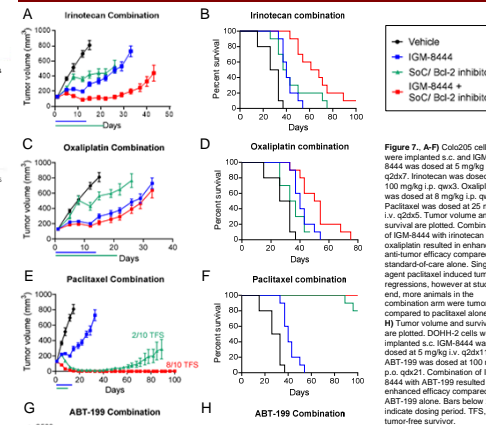


Figure 7. A-F) Colo205 cells were implanted s.c. and IGM-8444 was dosed at 5 mg/kg i.v. q2d7. Irinotecan was dosed at 100 mg/kg i.p. qe3. Oxaliplatin was dosed at 8 mg/kg i.p. qe3. Paclitaxel was dosed at 25 mg/kg i.v. q2d5. Tumor volume and survival are plotted. Combination of IGM-8444 with irinotecan and oxaliplatin resulted in enhanced anti-tumor efficacy compared to standard-of-care alone. Single agent paclitaxel induced tumor regressions, however at study end, more animals in the combination arm were tumor-free compared to paclitaxel alone. G-H) Tumor volume and survival are plotted. DCIS112 cells were implanted s.c. IGM-8444 was dosed at 5 mg/kg i.v. q2d8.1 and ABT-199 was dosed at 100 mg/kg p.o. qd21. Combination of IGM-8444 with ABT-199 resulted in enhanced efficacy compared to ABT-199 alone. Bars below x-axis indicate dosing period. TFS, tumor-free survivor.

Summary

- Anti-DR5 antibodies showed > 5000-fold increased *in vitro* potency as IgMs compared to IgGs
- When compared to an IgG, IGM-8444 induces more rapid and profound apoptosis
- IGM-8444 is highly potent across 38 cell lines and PDXs evaluated from 21 tumor types but does not kill primary human hepatocytes *in vitro* at concentrations well above those required to kill tumor cell lines
- As a monotherapy, IGM-8444 induces anti-tumor efficacy in CDX and PDX models *in vivo*, including durable and dose dependent tumor regressions in a gastric PDX
- Combinations of IGM-8444 with standard of care chemotherapy and targeted agents enhance tumor cytotoxicity both *in vitro* and *in vivo*
- These data support the development of IGM-8444 to treat solid and hematologic cancers and an IND is projected to be filed in 2020

