Blood-Forming Stem Cells



RESEARCH

Blood forming stem cells make blood, and only blood



Removal of Contaminating Cancer Cells and T cells from Stem Cell Grafts



Using self cancer-free blood stem cell transplantation to treat women with metastatic breast cancer

Muller, Kohrt, Shizuru, Negrin, Blume Weissman, et al. 1996-98, published BBMT 2012

ALL PATIENTS GIVEN VERY HIGH DOSE COMBINATION CHEMOTHERAPY TO KILL MORE CANCER

~160,000 women in US with metastatic breast cancer

Cisplatin, cytoxan, carmustine



Estimated MBC remaining after chemo ~ 100K; in models anti-CD47 clears these.

*SyStemix and all of its HSC therapies shut down by purchasing company

Hematopoietic Hierarchy

Gene Expression Commons: Seita, Sahoo et al. http://gexc.riken.jp



Leukemic cells in AML patients

LT STEM CELLS

CD34⁺CD38⁻Thy⁺Lin⁻



Normal colonies in vitro, Normal blood formation in vivo Leukemic blast colonies in vitro. Leukemia in vivo: blasts cells not leukemia-initiating.

STHSC:MPP=LSC

CD34⁺CD38⁻Thy⁻Lin⁻

Leukemia Stem Cells [LSC ~5%]

Miyamoto, Weissman, Akashi, PNAS 2000: 97: 6924 Majeti and Weissman 2009

Cell of origin – progression to leukemia



Competition!

LSC: MPP

IN AML &

GMP IN

BLAST

CRISIS

Traver and IW, 1998, Reya, Morrison, Clarke, and IW, 2001

Identification of Somatic Mutations by Exome Sequencing



Analysis of Single HSC to Identify Pre-Leukemic Clones



If you want to know which genes are likely oncogenes, ask the cancer.



Now data for 21 AMLs

Ryan Corces, Ravi Majeti, and IW, PNAS 2014

Lessons for leukemia and perhaps all cancers

- 1. In AML, progression is in a blood stem cell clone, while the leukemia stem cells is at the progenitor stage: preleukemic clones of HSC *compete* with nl HS
- 2. There are no leukemias we have found that are leukemias of HSC
- 3. If this is true for leukemia, it is **probably true for all cancers in tissues that regenerate from tissue stem cells**
- 4. Clonal competition by precancerous stem cells can lead to diseases caused by the mutations/epigenetic changes in the dominant clone;

e.g., Pang, Pluvinage, Park IW: MDS; Jaiswal and Ebert-clonal hematopoiesis of indeterminate potential. ?? Other tissue stem cells and adult onset diseases??

Acute Leukemia Progression Occurs in HSC to make a clone and to generate leukemic stem cells and blood diseases



CD47 was discovered as a marker of aging RBC by Oldenborg. We found it on mouse & human AML LSC

<u>Hypothesis</u>: Increased expression of CD47 on myeloid leukemia cells contributes to pathogenesis by facilitating evasion of phagocytosis



Net Result: No Phagocytosis

Traver and IW 1998; Jaiswal, Majeti, Chao, and IW 2008.

Anti-CD47 Antibodies Enable Phagocytosis of AML LSC

Human Macrophages

IgG1 Isotype





Anti-CD47 (B6H12.2)









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Mark Chao, Majeti et al

Anti-CD47 Antibody Depletes AML in the Bone Marrow



AML clinical trial with humanized anti-CD47 h5F9G4 led by Paresh Vyas at Oxford with the UK AML clinical trials group

Mark Chao, Majeti et al Cell 2009 Cell. 138(2): 286-99



Forty Seven

• Anti-Leukemic Activity is Observed with 5F9 Monotherapy and in Combination with Azacitidine in AML and MDS



- 5F9 synergizes with azacitidine to eliminate leukemic disease in pre-clinical models
- In a Phase 1b clinical trial, 5F9 + azacitidine has a response rate of 64% in untreated AML and 100% response rate in untreated MDS
- A registrational study of 5F9 + azacitidine in untreated MDS for FDA approval is in progress

Anti CD47 Antibody Treats Human Brain Cancers, and Stanford MEDICINE all other patient xenograft cancers in NSG mice



We have tested these human cancers and have similar results

Glioblastoma Ovarian Medulloblastoma Bladder Oligodendroglioma Pancreatic Hepatocellular Carcinoma Gastric Cancer Prostate Multiple Myeloma Chronic Myeloid Leukemia Acute Myeloid Leukemia Leiomyosarcoma Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma Head & Neck T-Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia Melanoma B-Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia

For all tumors, small tumors and metastases are more easily cleared than large tumors.

CD47 is the dominant don't eat me signal, but others exist

DISCLAIMER: November 30, 2015, Stanford licenses anti-CD47 IP to Forty Seven Inc; cofounders include I Weissman, R Majeti, J Volkmer, MP Chao

Anti-CD47 Antibody Combination Therapy with Cancer-Targeting Monoclonal Antibodies

Improving the 'eat me' signal



 Combination with other cancer-targeting antibodies enhances phagocytosis of cancer cells and provide treatment to patients that are currently non eligible (e.g. rituximab - anti-CD20; cetuximab - anti-EGFR; trastuzumab - anti-HER2)

Chao, M, Alizadeh, A, Kohrt, H, Majeti, R, and I. Weissman





Clinical Evidence of 5F9 + Rituximab Efficacy in Patients with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma

5F9+Rituximab in a Lymphoma Xenograft Model



The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

CD47 Blockade by Hu5F9-G4 and Rituximab in Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma

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Follicular Lymphoma Patient (Complete Remission)



66F with follicular lymphoma
Ten prior therapies, bulky disease
Complete response at 8 weeks

Anti-CD47 synergy with Rituximab in refractory NHL:



✤ CD24: siglec 10; Barkal/IW

Advani et al, NEJM 2018



Anti-CD47 Antibodies Inhibit Growth of Xenotransplanted Patient Tumors

Breast Cancer



Inject Tumor Cells	Initiate Tr	reatment	Evaluate Tumor
Into MFP	2 Weeks	2 Months	Formation

Think about cancer-free HSC: ?postransplant anti-CD47??

Willingham, Volkmer, Clarke, Scheeren, IW

Synergy between 5F9g4 and Trastuzimab for breast



Can metastatic breast cancer be cured in most patients?

The bulk of breast cancer cells are removed by chemo+pure HSC;

Can this antibody alone or in combination change metastatic breast cancer outcomes?

Willingham, Volkmer, Jie, Majeti, Weissman et al

There are four innate immune checkpoints



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Other diseases in which CD47 and Calreticulin are involved

- *G Wernig and IW:* Mouse and human <u>fibrotic diseases</u> that include idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, scleroderma, NASH, and renal fibrosis. Anti-CD47 is therapeutic in mouse model.PNAS 2017.
- *N Leeper, Y Kojima, and IW:* Mouse and human <u>atherosclerosis</u>, in which the oxidated LDL damages arterial smooth muscle cells, a subclone of which proliferates to narrow the blood vessel lumen, signal macrophage entry, but express CD47 to block the CalR eat me pathway. Anti CD47 is therapeutic. Nature 2016
- J Tsai, Y Rinkevich, and IW: Pathological surgery induced <u>peritoneal</u> <u>adhesions</u>. Anti-CD47 + anti MSLN is therapeutic. Science Trans Med.2018
- LB Torrez-Dulgoff, S.Kumar [FDA]: Cerebral Malaria; submitted
- *K. Hasenkrug, M. Tal, C. Stoddart, LBTorrez, M.McCune:* Cells **persistently infected** with pathogenic viruses induce CD47 expression
- M.Tal, LB Torrez, P. Ying Yu: Aspergillus, <u>Borrelia Bergdorfii</u>, and <u>Mycobacterium Tuberculosis</u> all make CD47 mimics

Clonal Expansion of Smooth Muscle Cells During Atherosclerosis Uses CD47 to Avoid Phagocytosis

http://anatomyandphysiologyi.com/atherosclerosis/



CD47-blocking antibodies restore phagocytosis and prevent atherosclerosis

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Anti-MSLN and anti-CD47 therapy diminishes preformed adhesions



Pulmonary Fibrosis: Incurable ?

Normal lung



Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis



Gerlinde Wernig and team + IW



Shizuru, Beilhack, Weissman

Rescue of Diabetic Mice with HSCs

CO-TRANSPLANT OF PURE HSC AND ISLETS CURATIVE AT ALL STAGES



Shizuru, Weissman, and Beilhack

Combined HSC & islet transplantation



But radiation or chemotherapy is life-threatening and causes morbidity SHIZURU





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Successful multi-lineage chimerism in a MHC match/minor mismatch transplant model using ACK2 and Clone 3 Combo Therapy



Haplotransplants of HSC in Ab conditioned hosts induces cardiotransplant tolerance







Benson George et al 2019 Cell Stem Cell









Blood forming stem cell (HSC) Transplants In The Future

- Limited or no use of radiation or cytotoxic drugs
- Targeted removal of host HSC, T cells, and NK cells with antibodies; All antibody conditioning!*
- Cotransplantation of tissue stem cell [CNS SC] and HSC from same donor or cell line
- In the far future [>5-10 years], ES or iPS derived HSC will be cotransplanted with other tissue stem cells from the same donor line.

Pluripotent Embryonic Stem Cells





SUMMARY

- STEM CELL BIOLOGY IS A WAY OF THINKING: THE CELL IS THE UNIT OF ORGANIZATION, NOT ANY SINGLE GENE, AND ONLY STEM CELLS SELF-RENEW.
- STEM CELLS ARE THEREFORE THE UNITS OF REGENERATIVE MEDICINE AS WELL, IF WE CAN FIND HOW TO ISOLATE AND TRANSPLANT THEM
- BLOOD FORMING STEM CELLS REPLACE THE BLOOD AND IMMUNE SYSTEM OF THE RECIPIENT, INDUCE TOLERANCE, AND BLOCK AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE
- CANCER STEM CELLS ARE THE UNITS OF CANCER SPREAD AND THEREFORE CANCER LETHALITY
- CANCER STEM CELLS ARE DERIVED FROM CLONES OF TISSUE STEM CELLS THAT UNDERGO CLONAL EXPANSION WITH EACH ADDED DRIVER MUTATION; THESE PRECANCER CLONES CAN TAKE OVER STEM CELL NICHES AND CAUSE DISEASE
- CANCER STEM CELLS HAVE UPREGULATED 'DON'T EAT ME' SIGNALS THAT PREVENT SCAVENGER MACROPHAGES FROM ELIMINATING THEM OR KEEPING THEM LOCAL
- BLOCKING THE DON'T EAT ME SIGNAL IS A NEW MACROPHAGE CHECKPOINT IMMUNOTHERAPY FOR CANCER
- OTHER PATHOGENIC CELLS IN ATHEROSCLEROSIS, FIBROSIS, AND OTHER SITUATIONS ALSO USE DON'T EAT ME SIGNALS TO AVOID ELIMINATION
- THIS I A MAJOR OPENING TO UNDERSTAND AND TREAT COMMON INCURABLE DISEASES; THIS IS NOT PHARMACEUTICAL SMALL MOLECULE THERAPY

In honor of Maurice Hilleman

- Hilleman proved that it was possible to make vaccines to protect people lifelong against the most deadly infections
- He led Merck to become the world leader; following his principles Merck made HPV vaccines that protect against a devastating venereal disease, and the cervical cancer it causes. No small molecules work.

Every year millions of people are protected against these diseases because of him, and the great university that brought his to his career [and mine]/



Lokey Stem Cell Institute at Stanford Ludwig Center at Stanford;





Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine

Siebel Stem Cell Institute of Stanford/UCB



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Human CNS-SC Neurosphere Cells Engrafted, Migrated & Differentiated Into Neurons, Astrocytes and Oligodendrocytes



Uchida, Tsukamoto, Gage, Weissman 2000; Uchida and Porteus 2016, CrisPR modification



HuCNS-SC Engraft, Migrate & Mature

Human cells derived from HuCNS-SC transplant (brown)

Proliferation at neurogeneic site



β-tubulin III/ Human nuclei

Migrating as

chain of neuroblasts.

Uchida, Tamaki, Tsukamoto-Weissman, IW



HuCNS-SC Restores Motor Function in Spinal Cord Injured Mice



Cummings B J et al. PNAS 2005;102

- Hind-limb motor function restored; lost when human cells ablated
- Continued presence of human cells required for maintenance of motor function
- What is the fate and potential mechanism of action of human cells?
- Post-traumatice demyelination and neuronal loss

Anderson, Cummings, Uchida, et al.

Human CNS SC repair mouse and human spinal cord injuries

grown in culture



Human brain stem cells represent < 1/1000 cells

Human clinical trials:

Thoracic: 7/12 (58%) pts sensory gains Cervical: 4/6 (67%) pts motor improvements

*Requires lifelong immune suppression

Human stem cells <u>transplanted</u> into an injured mouse spinal cord





Uchida, Cummings, Anderson, Tsukamoto-Weissman, IW

Pre-cancer cells express calreticulin for PrCR, and emergent cancer clones overcome this with CD47

Increased expression of CD47 on myeloid leukemia cells contributes to pathogenesis by facilitating evasion of phagocytosis



<u>Calreticulin</u>, an ER protein without a TM seq, is the dominant cell surface 'eat me' signal

What are the mechanisms of 'don't eat me' and 'eat me' signals?

Chao, Jaiswal, Tsukamoto-Weissman, Majeti, IW Science Translational Med 2010

PrCR involves activation and secretion of calR by macrophages

binding of calR on target cell asialoglycan, and phagocytic removal of target cancer and dying and pathogenic cells



Kris Marjon, Mingye Feng, Denon Wang, Rachel W, and IW; Nature Communications 2018

Clonal HSC expansion in MDS: a single aberrant HSC can cause a blood disease

- MDS HSC outcompete normal HSC in patient and xenotransplants:>98% of pHSC are MDS;m7,5q-,rbp mutant ione HSC in the body outcompeted almost all normal HSC
- High calR predisposes MDS myeloid [GMP, MkP, EP] progenitors for programmed cell removal
- MDS HSC dominate niches but can't make blood
- Increased CD47 expression is a crucial step in the progression from MDS to AML
- Can single CNS SC cause a brain disease? A single fibroblast SC cause fibrotic disease? A single smooth muscle cause atherosclerosis?

Wendy Pang, John Pluvinage, Chris Park, IW, et al PNAS 2013 MDS Wernig and IW PNAS 2017 Fibrotic disease Kojima, IW, Leeper Nature 2016 Atherosclerosis

Anti-CD47 synergy with Rituximab in refractory NHL

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Treatment with anti-CD24 mAb promotes phagocytic clearance of human breast cancer



There are tumor-specific, dominant "don't eat me" signals







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Goal: To profile expression of all known "don't eat me" signals on patient samples to guide therapy

Barkal et al, Nature 2019

anti-CD24

anti-CD47