Chapter 1: Monoclonal Antibodies

Antibodies protect us from a wide range of infectious diseases and cancers and have become an indispensable tool in scienceâ€"both for conventional immune response research as well as other areas related to protein identification analysis. This second edition of Making and Using Antibodies: A.

Making monoclonal antibodies The hunt for a single antibody From the late s onwards Milstein would devote much of his research to understanding somatic mutation in antibodies. The idea that somatic mutation could help explain antibody diversity was not new. This photograph shows myeloma cells stained purple as appears under a microscope. In his quest to understand somatic mutation and antibody diversity, Milstein was greatly helped by the availability of cells taken from the blood of patients with multiple myeloma. Such myeloma cells, which produce antibodies resembling normal antibodies, had been noted in by Henry Kunkel, an American immunologist based at the Rockefeller Institute in New York. Investigating the blood of myeloma patients, Kunkel was surprised to observe that malignant plasma cells of multiple myeloma appeared to produce just one antibody. This contrasted with normal plasma cells which produce a vast array of antibodies. Ever since the early 20th century scientists had been struggling to isolate and purify single antibodies from the billions made by the body every day. One of the advantages of the antibodies produced by myeloma cells is that they are all identical. Moreover, they are fairly easy to obtain in large quantities from the blood or urine of patients with multiple myeloma. Based on this, Kunkel and his co-workers began using myeloma cells as a tool for investigating normal antibodies. This meant that the cells could be grown easily and indefinitely. Following this, Potter and his colleagues at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda established a collection of myeloma cells lines for distribution to researchers around the world. This photo shows Michael Potter, an American molecular biologist, whose myeloma cell line helped laid the foundation for the development of monoclonal antibodies. Essentially, tissue culture provides for the growth of cells under controlled conditions outside their natural environment. The growth of such cells is helped by the use of a suitable medium, which provides the nutritional elements they require. The first tissue culturing techniques date back to, and had become a common method in laboratories by the s and s. Each cell type necessitated different conditions, such as temperature, and various types of culture medium for optimum growth. This was perfected by a process of trial and error. Overall the work undertaken by Horibata and Harris freed scientists from the laborious process of growing myeloma cells in mice. With the cultivation of myeloma cells in vitro, scientists now had access to a continuous supply of such cells. Milstein grew these cells together with George Brownlee for the purposes of harvesting mRNA and as a source for studying the structure of antibodies. Based on their growth of the myeloma cells, Brownlee and Milstein were able to establish the existence of a leading sequence in the RNA of the light chain. They reported their results in C. Fusing myeloma cells to pinpoint somatic mutation After his letter with Brenner in Nature, which had hypothesised that antibody diversity was the result of somatic mutation, Milstein began looking for a way to carry out experiments to validate the theory. This he decided to do using the MOPC21 myeloma cell line. He was joined in the venture by David Secher who joined the LMB to do a doctorate in the summer of What Milstein and Secher wanted to determine was the rate of somatic mutation that occurred in the antibodies produced by the myeloma cell line and to identify and characterise any variants that emerged. This they hoped would help them unravel the process of antibody diversity as it occurred in nature. Shortly after Milstein and Secher began their project to investigate somatic mutation in MOPC21 myeloma cells, they were joined by Dick Cotton, a postdoctoral scientist from Australia who was interested in immunogenetics. Rapidly picking up the skills for cell culture, with the help of Abraham Karpas who worked in a nearby laboratory, Cotton soon succeeded in cloning MOPC21 cells in soft agar. This laid the basis for the isolation of MOPC21 mutants. This shows Milstein speaking with his postdoctoral researcher David Secher in However, this proved frustrating. The difficulty was that such mutants rarely occur. Just five structural variants were isolated, for example, after three months of continuous culture and analysis of antibodies produced by clones. While providing a disappointing yield of mutants, the myeloma cells nevertheless provided scientists with a window through which to see somatic mutation in cells. Importantly,

mutation had occurred without any addition to the myeloma cell line. It had taken place on its own accord. The difficulty, the team found out later, was that the mutants observed in the myeloma cell line bore no resemblance to the major types of mutants found in nature. Alongside this experiment a second project was launched. Undertaken by Cotton, this involved the fusion of two different myeloma cell lines. It was carried out using inactivated Sendai virus obtained from Abraham Karpas. This reagent was used for the promotion of cellular fusion. This image shows a colour-enhanced image of the Sendai virus. It is a virus that usually infects mice, but which can also infect human cells without causing disease. Inactivated Sendai virus was a common reagent for cellular fusion by the s. University of Edinburgh, Wellcome Images, B Called allelic exclusion, this phenomenon was particularly puzzling as in most cases cells inherit a copy of both sets of genes from their parental cells. What scientists assumed was that in the process of antibody reproduction one gene was silenced while the other was transferred across. By fusing two myeloma cells lines, Cotton and Milstein wanted to see which genes would be transferred and which would be silenced. They were also interested in what effect such fusion would have on the structure of antibodies in terms of their variable and constant regions. In the fusion experiment, the first myeloma cell line was a variant of the mouse MOPC21 line that was sensitive to the chemical bromodeoxyuridine. Indeed, they could find no evidence for allelic exclusion. Moreover, there appeared to be no scrambling of the variable and constant regions in the structure of the antibodies produced. Based on this, they theorised that the linkage between variable and constant regions occurred early in the process of cell differentiation, before antibody production began. One of the fusions resulted in hybridomas derived from mouse-mouse myeloma cell fusions. These yielded the same results as the earlier mouse-rat fusions. The clone was a variant of a sub-clone of the P3 myeloma cell line originally developed by David Secher. A key advantage of P3-X63Ag8 was that it was resistant to azaguanine Ag, a reagent that helps promote fusion. Other myeloma cell lines were liable to be destroyed by azaguanine. In Milstein presented the results from the myeloma cellular fusion experiments conducted with Cotton to the Basel Institute of Immunology. This he did in April, and he soon joined in the research efforts to understand somatic mutation and the mechanism underlying antibody diversity. Yet this had proven a laborious process, akin to looking for a needle in a haystack. What was needed was an antibody with a clearly defined specificity. This would provide the most effective means for detecting slight differences caused by such mutations. Such an antibody, however, was not readily available. Until the mids most of the studies Milstein and his team had undertaken on somatic mutation in antibodies were still being conducted with myeloma cells, dictated by their abundance and the fact that this was the closest scientists had come to a source of natural antibodies. However, such cells had certain limitations. The difficulty was that no one knew which specific antigens the myeloma cells bound to. Part of the problem was the fact that such cells are triggered by malignancy, a process that affects cells at random. Not knowing which antigen was targeted by myeloma cells was a major problem for Milstein and others interested in understanding the molecular basis of antibody specificity. Some scientists had attempted to get around the problem by trying to induce tumours to produce antibodies to an injected antigen. These efforts, however, had come to nothing. This shows a confocal image of the spleen of a mouse showing B cells stained in blue. Discovery of a natural hybrid cell producing antibodies One of the earliest was Joseph Sinkovics, a Hungarian immunologist based at the M. Between and, while conducting research into simple viral mouse leukaemia, Sinkovics happened to come across a mouse lymphoma cell with virus like particles on its surface, a highly unusual characteristic, which prompted an immune response in mice able to destroy the cell. Keen to learn more Sinkovics and his team began looking for ways to grow the cells in tissue culture. Initially this proved an uphill struggle, but by they had managed to grow a new cell line in suspension spinner cell cultures. This they achieved by cultivating the original cells in culture with tissue taken from the spleen of mice that had rejected such cells. Much to the surprise of the team the new cells appeared to contain sets of chromosomes unlike the previous lymphoma cells which had just 2 sets of chromosomes. The new cells also grew more vigorously when injected into the adult mouse than the previous cells, forming huge tumours which presented as abnormal fluid or ascites in their abdomens. This work was published in J. Joseph Sinkovics, s, credit: Born in Budapest in , Sinkovics obtained his medical degree from the University of Petrus Pazmany. Following this he set up a laboratory to study viruses in the Institute of Microbiology in Budapest.

In Sinkovics left Hungary following the uprising against the Soviet imposed communist government and took up a Rockefeller Fellowship in the US. In he was appointed a consultant oncologist in the University of Texas M. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Insitute, where he was to remain for the rest of his career. For more about Sinkovics click here. On further investigation the team discovered that the new cells not only produced virus particles but also antibodies against the mouse leukaemia virus. Further experiments with mice indicated the antibodies were highly specific against the virus. Indeed, they were better at neutralising the mouse leukaemia virus than antiserum taken from rabbits or mice immunised with the virus. Sinkovics hypothesised that the antibodies were the result of a natural fusion of a splenic plasma cell with the mouse lymphoma cell. Such a fusion he argued was highly exceptional and would only occur under special conditions. This process generated a hybrid cell later known as a hybridoma capable of producing antibodies which incorporated the immortal qualities of the malignant cell. For more details see J. This diagram outlines the hypothesis Sinkovics developed to account for the formation of the natural hybridoma in murine lymphomas. He presented the diagram to various international conferences between and , including the International Tumor Conference in Perugia, Italy and at two annual conferences at the University of Texas M.

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Immunotherapy Monoclonal antibodies to treat cancer One way the immune system attacks foreign substances in the body is by making large numbers of antibodies. An antibody is a protein that sticks to a specific protein called an antigen. Antibodies circulate throughout the body until they find and attach to the antigen. Once attached, they can recruit other parts of the immune system to destroy the cells containing the antigen. Researchers can design antibodies that specifically target a certain antigen, such as one found on cancer cells. They can then make many copies of that antibody in the lab. These are known as monoclonal antibodies mAbs. Monoclonal antibodies are used to treat many diseases, including some types of cancer. To make a monoclonal antibody, researchers first have to identify the right antigen to attack. For cancer, this is not always easy, and so far mAbs have proven to be more useful against some cancers than others. As researchers have found more antigens linked to cancer, they have been able to make mAbs against more and more cancers. Clinical trials of newer mAbs are now being done on many types of cancer. Types of monoclonal antibodies Different types of monoclonal antibodies are used in cancer treatment. Naked monoclonal antibodies Naked mAbs are antibodies that work by themselves. There is no drug or radioactive material attached to them. These are the most common type of mAbs used to treat cancer. Most naked mAbs attach to antigens on cancer cells, but some work by binding to antigens on other, non-cancerous cells, or even free-floating proteins. Naked mAbs can work in different ways. Alemtuzumab binds to the CD52 antigen, which is found on cells called lymphocytes which include the leukemia cells. Once attached, the antibody attracts immune cells to destroy these cells. Some naked mAbs boost the immune response by targeting immune system checkpoints. See Immune checkpoint inhibitors to treat cancer. Other naked mAbs work mainly by attaching to and blocking antigens on cancer cells or other nearby cells that help cancer cells grow or spread. Breast and stomach cancer cells sometimes have large amounts of this protein on their surface. When HER2 is activated, it helps these cells grow. Trastuzumab binds to these proteins and stops them from becoming active. Conjugated monoclonal antibodies Monoclonal antibodies mAbs joined to a chemotherapy drug or to a radioactive particle are called conjugated monoclonal antibodies. The mAb is used as a homing device to take one of these substances directly to the cancer cells. The mAb circulates throughout the body until it can find and hook onto the target antigen. It then delivers the toxic substance where it is needed most. This lessens the damage to normal cells in other parts of the body. Conjugated mAbs are also sometimes referred to as tagged, labeled, or loaded antibodies. Radiolabeled antibodies have small radioactive particles attached to them. This is an antibody against the CD20 antigen, which is found on lymphocytes called B cells. The antibody delivers radioactivity directly to cancerous B cells and can be used to treat some types of non-Hodgkin lymphoma. Treatment with this type of antibody is sometimes known as radioimmunotherapy RIT. These mAbs have powerful chemotherapy or other drugs attached to them. They are also known as antibody-drug conjugates ADCs. The drug is often too powerful to be used on its own â€" it would cause too many side effects if not attached to an antibody. Chemolabeled antibodies used to treat cancer include: This drug is used to treat Hodgkin lymphoma and anaplastic large cell lymphoma. Denileukin diftitox is used to treat lymphoma of the skin also known as cutaneous T-cell lymphoma. Bispecific monoclonal antibodies These drugs are made up of parts of 2 different mAbs, meaning they can attach to 2 different proteins at the same time. An example is blinatumomab Blincyto, which is used to treat some types of acute lymphocytic leukemia ALL. One part of blinatumomab attaches to the CD19 protein, which is found on some leukemia and lymphoma cells. Another part attaches to CD3, a protein found on immune cells called T cells. By binding to both of these proteins, this drug brings the cancer cells and immune cells together, which is thought to cause the immune system to attack the cancer cells. Possible side effects of monoclonal antibodies Monoclonal antibodies are given intravenously

injected into a vein. The antibodies themselves are proteins, so giving them can sometimes cause something like an allergic reaction. This is more common while the drug is first being given. Possible side effects can include:

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Frequently, using both an antiserum and the monoclonal antibody for a specific experiment can help make a convincing case. Making polyclonal antibodies (antiserum). Historically, serum was the first source of antibodies.

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Antibodies are an indispensable tool in the study of biology and medicine. Making and Using Antibodies: A Practical Handbook presents techniques in a single, comprehensive source for the production and use of antibodies.

Unfused normal spleen cells cannot grow indefinitely because of their limited life span. However, Hybridoma cells produced by successful fusions are able to grow indefinitely because the spleen cell partner supplies HGPRT and the myeloma partner is immortal. Test the supernatants from each culture to find those producing the desired antibody. Because the original cultures may have been started with more than one hybridoma cell, you must now isolate single cells from each antibody-positive culture and subculture them. Again, test each supernatant for the desired antibodies. Each positive subculture â€" having been started from a single cell â€" represents a clone and its antibodies are monoclonal. That is, each culture secretes a single kind of antibody molecule directed against a single determinant on a preselected antigen. Scale up the size of the cultures of the successful clones. Hybridoma cultures can be maintained indefinitely: However, animal welfare activists in Europe and in the U. Uses for monoclonal antibodies Monoclonal antibodies are widely used as diagnostic and research reagents as well as in human therapy. It is estimated that worldwide sales of monoclonal antibodies in exceeded 36 billion dollars. In some in vivo applications, the antibody itself is sufficient. Once bound to its target, it triggers the normal effector mechanisms of the body. In other cases, the monoclonal antibody is coupled to another molecule, for example a fluorescent molecule to aid in imaging the target a strongly-radioactive atom, such as Iodine to aid in killing the target. As of , 35 monoclonal antibody preparations have been approved by the U. Food and Drug Administration for use in humans. Here is a selection. Bind to the CD3 molecule on the surface of T cells. Used to prevent acute rejection of organ, e. The humanized versions show promise in inhibiting the autoimmune destruction of beta cells in Type 1 diabetes mellitus. Show promise against some inflammatory diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis by blunting the activity of Th1 cells. Binds to IgE thus preventing IgE from binding to mast cells. Shows promise against allergic asthma. Binds to part of the IL-2 receptor exposed at the surface of activated T cells. Used to prevent acute rejection of transplanted kidneys. Has also showed promise against T-cell lymphoma. Binds to the CD20 molecule found on most B-cells and is used to treat B-cell lymphomas. This is a monoclonal antibody against the CD20 molecule on B cells and lymphomas conjugated to either the radioactive isotope indium In or the radioactive isotope yttrium 90Y Both are given to the lymphoma patient, the In version first followed by the 90Y version in each cases supplemented with Rituxan. This is a conjugate of a monoclonal antibody against CD20 and the radioactive isotope iodine I. It, too, is designed as a treatment for lymphoma. So, in time, the precursors can repopulate the body with healthy B cells. Blocks the epidermal growth factor receptor EGFR that is found on several types of tumor cells. Its gene is officially known as ERBB2. A conjugate of a monoclonal antibody that binds CD30, a cell-surface molecule expressed by the cells of some lymphomas but not found on the normal stem cells needed to repopulate the bone marrow. Binds to CD22, a molecule found on some B-cell leukemias. Binds to CD52, a molecule found on lymphocytes and depletes both T cells and B cells. Has produced complete remission of chronic lymphocytic leukemia and shows promise in preventing rejection of kidney transplants. Binds to the HLA-DR -encoded histocompatibility antigen that can be expressed at high levels on lymphoma cells. In Phase II clinical trials, Vitaxin has shown some promise in shrinking solid tumors without harmful side effects. Binds to vascular endothelial growth factor VEGF preventing it from binding to its receptor. Inhibits the clumping of platelets by binding the receptors on their surface that normally are linked by fibrinogen. Helpful in preventing reclogging of the coronary arteries in patients who have undergone angioplasty. Problems with monoclonal therapy Mouse antibodies are "seen" by the human immune system as foreign, and the human patient mounts an immune response against them, producing HAMA "human anti-mouse antibodies". These not only cause the therapeutic antibodies to be quickly eliminated from the host, but also form immune complexes that cause damage to the kidneys. Link to discussion of immune complex disorders. Monoclonal antibodies raised in humans would lessen the problem, but few people would want to be immunized in an attempt to make them, and most of the attempts that have

been made have been unsuccessful. However, using genetic engineering it is possible to make mouse-human hybrid antibodies to reduce the problem of HAMA. The antibody combines the antigen-binding parts variable regions of the mouse antibody with the effector parts constant regions of a human antibody. Infliximab, rituximab, and abciximab are examples. The antibody combines only the amino acids responsible for making the antigen binding site the hypervariable regions of a mouse or rat antibody with the rest of a human antibody molecule thus replacing its own hypervariable regions. In both cases, the new gene is expressed in mammalian cells grown in tissue culture E. Other ways of solving the problem of HAMA are being vigorously pursued. One of these is to exploit transgenic technology to make transgenic mice that:

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And humanity has harnessed that creative process to produce tremendous variety in our domesticated animals and crops. But doing so has been a long-term project, involving many generations and the many years those occupy. The results have included proteins that catalyze the formation of chemical bonds life has never created and antibodies that can bind to any molecule of our choosing. These results have already found their place in industrial production and medical treatments. Catalysts Half of the award goes to Frances Arnold of Caltech for the development of directed evolution of enzymes. The goal of directed evolution is to create an enzyme, or catalyst, that performs a chemical reaction of our choosing, even if that reaction is completely useless for the organism the enzyme evolves in. It starts with choosing the appropriate enzyme to use as evolutionary raw material. In many cases, these enzymes may have a tiny bit of the catalytic activity we want, providing the starting point for evolution. From there, you have to make random changes to the DNA that encodes the enzyme to provide opportunities for improved function. One was to make them truly random, which was accomplished by copying the DNA using an enzyme that was prone to mistakes its ability to recognize when it used the wrong base was deleted. Another was to focus random mutations where they were most likely to have an effectâ€"in the active site that binds to chemicals and catalyzes reactions. Another research group developed a third: These approaches provide the variations that evolution can work on. But the key to evolution is selectionâ€"finding those few instances within a sea of variation that do what you want. To demonstrate her approach, Arnold chose a simple goal: As a result, any bacteria that carried a variant form of the enzyme that digested the protein would end up surrounded by a clear, colorless halo. These bacteria can then be selected as the starting material for another round of evolution, with additional random changes introduced, followed by another round of selection. Arnold showed this could accomplish a variety of changes. Over repeated rounds of selection, enzymes were evolved that could work at higher or lower temperaturesâ€"or in one case, both high and low temperatures. Artificially involved enzymes are now used to produce biofuels, detergents, chemicals, and pharmaceutical products. In some cases, entire pathways of evolved enzymes have been assembled to go from a simple starting material to a useful end product over several chemical steps. Selection and display George Smith of the University of Missouri, Columbia shares the other half of the award for figuring out how to perform a related type of evolutionary selection. His technique is called "phage display" and relies on the viruses called phages that infect bacteria. It gets over one of the biggest challenges of the approach pioneered by Arnold: Phage display gets over this problem by ensuring both the protein and the genetic material that encodes this get shipped outside the cell and kept together in the same virus. Smith realized that this allowed researchers to insert nearly any protein they wanted into that spot in the gene, and the protein would be displayed on the surface of the virus that encoded it. Smith went on to generate a variant of phage display called "biopanning," named after the pans that prospectors would use to separate the rare bits of gold in a vast collection of pebbles. Any phage displaying a protein that sticks to your molecule will be retained and can be used to infect new cells. After several rounds of this selection with or without mutation, the resulting phages will all encode proteins with a high affinity for the molecule of your choice. That can be useful for a variety of things, from research to generating useful proteins. But medicine has found a great deal of utility in using human antibodies to bind to specific proteins, since the immune system views these antibodies as normal and not a foreign protein to attack. Gregory Winter shares this half of the award for figuring out how to modify phage display to work with antibodies. Antibodies are actually large complexes of four molecules, two light and two heavy proteins. The part that binds to foreign material resides at the interface between one light and one heavy protein, making it difficult to work with, since the key feature of most antibodiesâ€"their specific targetingâ€"is typically split across two proteins.

Smith figured out how to take the key portions of the genes for these regions, combine them into a single gene, and then insert that gene into a phage protein. The resulting hybrid gene would ensure that the key parts of the antibody were exposed on the outside of the phage, available for the sorts of selection that Winter developed. Isolating useful antibodies had typically involved working with mice and multiple rounds of immunization over the course of months, followed by lots of culturing of mouse immune cells. Now, an equivalent process could be done in a week using phage display. Once isolated, the key portions of the engineered gene could be cut out and spliced back into a normal human antibody gene, making the entire complex that the immune system worked with. Further Reading Treatments that cause the immune system to attack cancer earn a Nobel Naturally, the pharmaceutical industry quickly recognized the potential of making antibodies that could bind to any molecule that it wanted to target. The first antibody-based drug developed using this technique reached the market in and has been joined by others since. All of this is most decidedly chemistry.

Chapter 6: Making and Using Antibodies: A Practical Handbook, Second Edition - CRC Press Book

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Antibodies are immunoglobulins, abbreviated as Ig, made by the body's adaptive immune system. Through complex maturation processes, specific antibodies are created to target antigens. This webpage discusses how antibodies are naturally made in the body and how they can be generated for research use.

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Antibody-antigen interactions are detected using a secondary antibody, and the protein is visualized as a spot color under the parent cell (one spot = 1 cell). Membranes are scanned and analyzed to quantify the number/percentage of cells secreting the protein.