Biopharmaceuticals, Vasoactive peptides



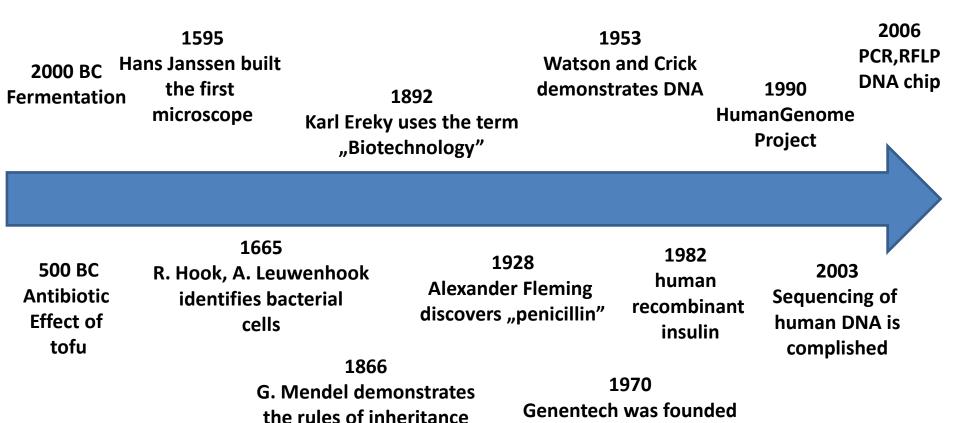
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Biopharmaceuticals



Evolution of "biotechnology"



Biotechnology

World's largest biotech companies by sales (million USD)

1	Amgen (USA)	8360
2	Genentech (USA)	3300
3	Serono (Switzerland)	2000
4	Biogen Idec (USA)	1850¹
5	Chiron (USA)	1750
6	Genzyme (USA)	1570
7	MedImmune (USA)	1050
8	Invitrogen (USA)	780
9	Cephalon (USA)	710
10	Millenium (USA)	430

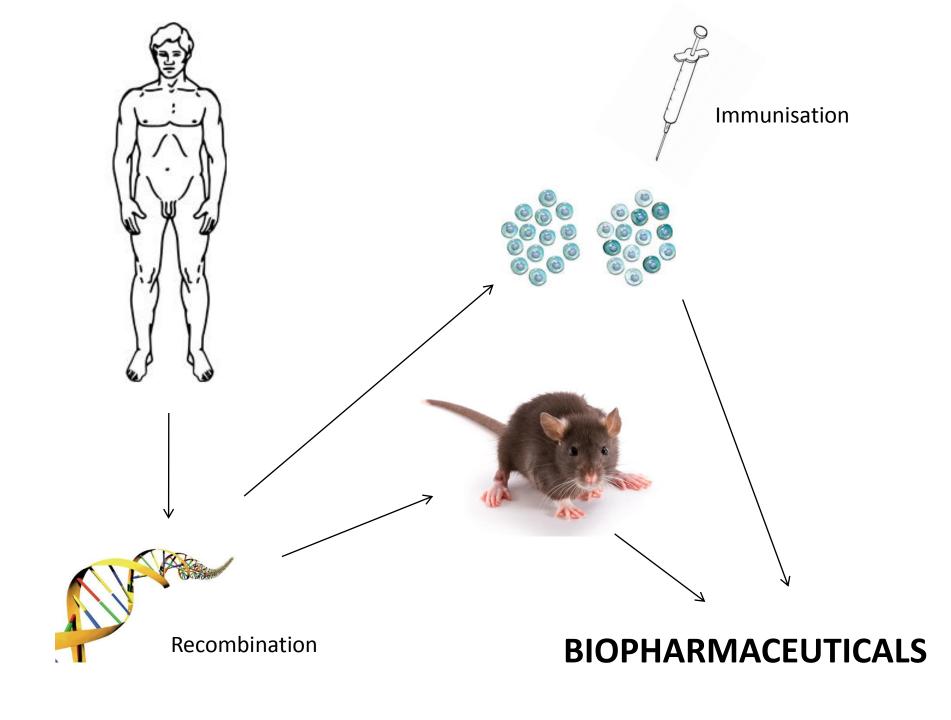
World's largest healthcare biotech companies by sales (million USD)

1	Amgen	7866
2	Roche Group including	
	Genentech and Chugai	6191
3	Johnson & Johnson	6100
4	Novo Nordisk	3561
5	Eli Lilly	3043
6	Aventis	2075
7	Wyeth	1870
8	Schering-Plough	1751
9	Serono	1623
10	Baxter International	1125
11	Biogen	1057
12	Schering AG	1035
13	Genzyme	879
14	MedImmune	780
15	GlaxoSmithKline	729
16	Bayer AG	563
17	Pfizer	481
18	Abbott Laboratories	397
19	Akzo Nobel	375
20	Kirin	355

Drug development

Bio vs. traditional: advantages and disadvantages of biopharmaceuticals

Traditional drugs	Biopharmaceuticals
Unspecific binding	Specific binding
Interactions with other drugs	Interactions rare
Carcinogenic substances possible	Not carcinogenic
Pharmacokinetics difficult	Breakdown is predictable for the most part
Immune reactions rare	Immunogenic effects possible
Theoretically, any target molecule	Target molecules limited, only
can be reached	outside the cell
6% success rate in phases I-III	25% success rate in phases I-III
Development costs high,	Development costs low,
production costs low	production costs high



Biopharmaceuticals as therapeutics...



- Blood factors (VII., VIII.)
- Thrombolytic agents (tPA, rtPA)
- Haemopoetic growth factors (EPO, CSF)
- Hormones (insulin, glucagon, GH)
- Interferones (IFN α , - β , - γ)
- Vaccines (Hepatitis, HPV)
- Interleukines (IL-2)
- Monoclonal antibodies

Biopharmaceuticals as diagnostics...



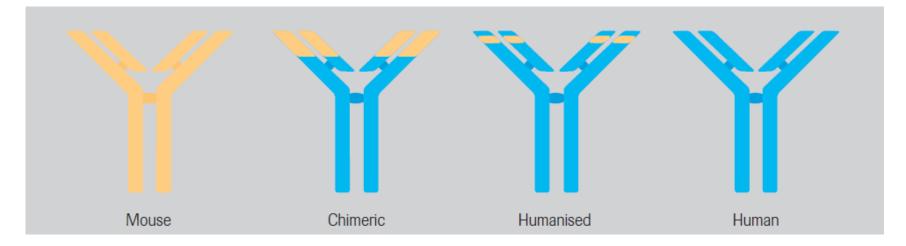
- Proteins (biomarkers)
 - AB (ELISA, IRMA, RIA)

- DNA sequences (SNP)
 - Genetic testing
 - PCR, RFLP
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-ximAB = chimeric antibody

-umAB =
humanised/human antibodies





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 - activation of CDC, ADCC

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radioimmunoconjugates



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Rituximab (MAbThera®/Rituxan®)

chimeric monoclonal AB



Pharmacodynamics:

- targets/activates CD20 (B-cell antigen)
- activation of Ser/Tyr kinase
- induction of *c-myc*
- modulation of Ca²⁺ conductance apoptosis

Pharmacokinetics:

- i.v. infusion
- t_{1/2}: 22 days
- combination with chemotherapeutics (MTX)

Adverse effects:

- hypersensitivity reactions
- tumor-lysis syndrome (hyperkalemia)

Therapeutic application:

- B-cell lymphomes (CLL)
- AD (RA, TTP, AHA) if no response to anti-TNF-alfa therapy

Trastuzumab (Herceptin®)





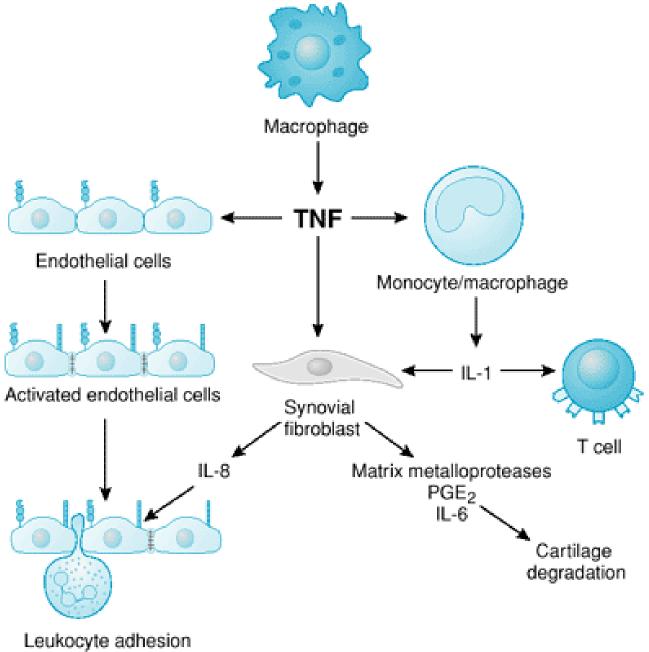
- Pharmacodynamics:
 - inhibits HER2/neu
 - prevents activation of receptor kinase
 - blockade of angiogenetic effect, and tumor growth
- Pharmacokinetics:
 - i.v. infusion
 - t_{1/2}: 5.8 days
 - combination with chemotherapeutics (paclitaxel)
- Adverse effects:
 - cardiac failure!, LVF (20% of patients)
 - cardiomyopathy
- Therapeutic application:
 - metastatic breast cancer (overexpresses HER2/neu)

Cetuximab (Erbitux®)





- Pharmacodynamics:
 - inhibits EGFR
 - prevents activation of receptor kinase, dimerization
 - blockade of cell growth
- Pharmacokinetics:
 - i.v. infusion
 - combination with chemotherapeutics (5-FU)
- Adverse effects:
 - hypersensitive reactions
- Therapeutic application:
 - squamous cell carcinoma of head and neck (HNSCC)
 - metastatic colon cancer (EGFR+)



Leukocyte adhesion and diapedesis

Infliximab (Remicad®)

chimerized monoclonal AB



- Pharmacodynamics:
 - binds and neutralizes TNF- α (inhibits TNF- α binding to R)
 - binds to membrane-bound TNF- α (induces CDC)
- Pharmacokinetics:
 - i.v. infusion (5mg/kg)
 - combination with AZT
- Adverse effects:
 - hypersensitivity reactions
 - immunsuppression (resp. inf.)
- Therapeutic application:
 - Crohn's disease (IBD)

Adalimumab (Humira®)

- humanized monoclonal AB



- Pharmacodynamics:
 - binds and neutralizes TNF- α (inhibits TNF- α binding to R)
 - binds to membrane-bound TNF- α (induces CDC)
- Pharmacokinetics:
 - sc. application
 - $-t_{1/2}$: 10-20 days
- Adverse effects:
 - hypersensitivity reactions
- Therapeutic application:
 - Crohn's disease (IBD)
 - RA, psoriasis

Etanercept (Enbrel®)

- fusion protein (TNF α -R + IgG)
- soluble TNF- α receptor
- Pharmacodynamics:
 - binds and neutralizes TNF-α
 - induces ADCC
- Pharmacokinetics:
 - s.c. administration
 - combination with MTX
- Adverse effects:
 - immunesuppression
- Therapeutic application:
 - RA, Ankylosing spondylitis



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radioimmunoconjugates

Gemtuzumab + Ozogamicin

humanized monoclonal AB + antitumor antibiotics



- Pharmacodynamics:
 - targets CD33 antigene (AML)
 - endocytosis, cleavage, toxin release
 - induces DNA breaks and cell death
- Pharmacokinetics:
 - i.v. infusion
 - $t_{1/2}$: 5 days
- Adverse effects:
 - myelosupression
 - hepatocellular damage
 - tumor lysis syndrome (hyperkalemia, hyperuricemia)
- Therapeutic application:
 - AML



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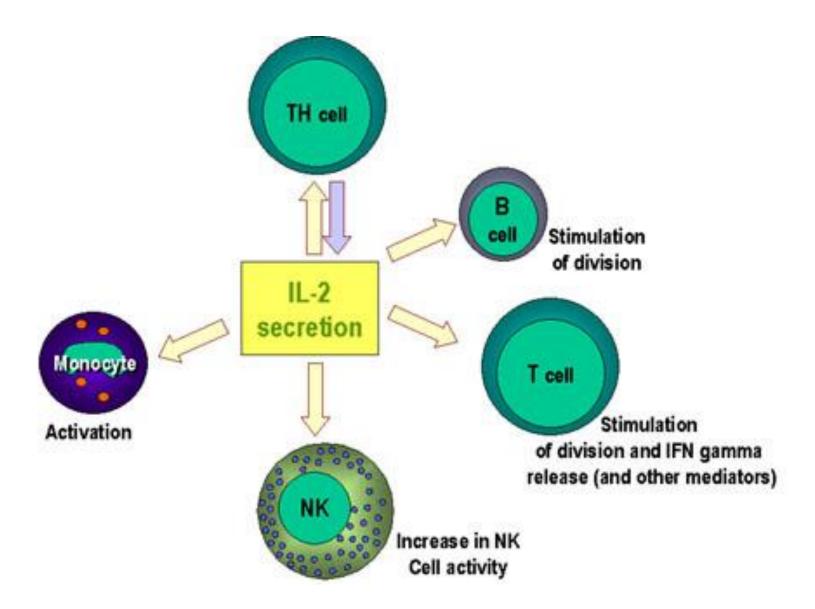
Radioimmunoconjugates



- monoclonal antibody + radionuclid (¹³¹I, ⁹⁰Y)
- diagnostic, therapeutic application



Interleukin-2



Aldesleukin (Proleukin)

glycoprotein



- Pharmacodynamics:
 - targets IL receptor of T-cells and NK cells
 - induces cytokin release (IFNs)
 - enhances cytotoxicity
- Pharmacokinetics:
 - i.v. infusion
- Adverse effects:
 - enhanced immun response, hypersensitivity
 - irritation (at adm. site)
- Therapeutic application:
 - melanoma malignum
 - renal cell carcinoma

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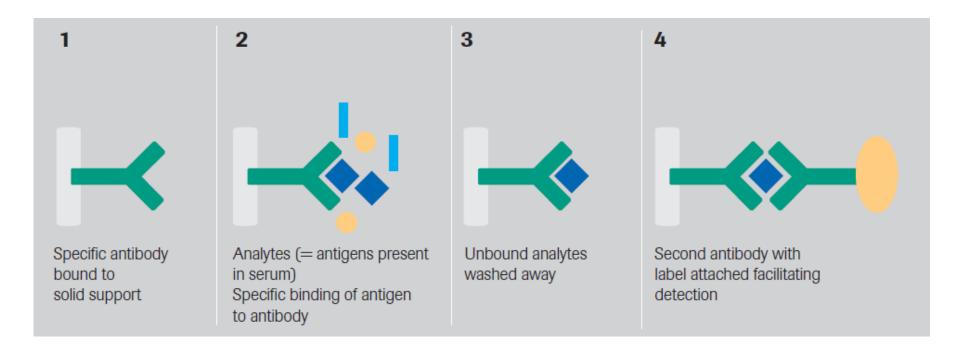


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Proteins, as biomarkers









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PERSONALIZED/INDIVIDUALIZED MEDICINE

Genetic testing

The first pharmacogenomic product: AmpliChip CYP450



Vazoactive peptides



Vazodilators

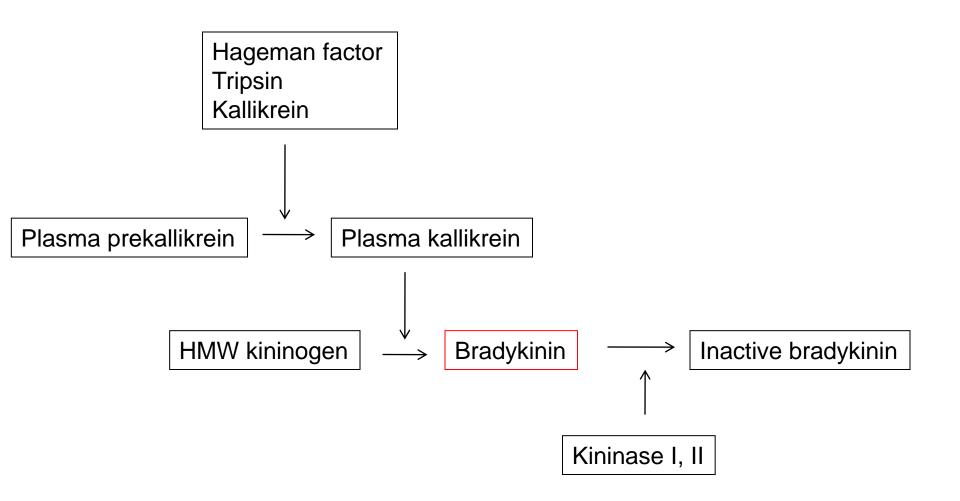
- bradykinin
- natriuretic peptides
- VIP
- Substance-P
- CGRP

Vasoconstrictors

- angiotenzin II
- vasopressin
- endothelin
- neuropeptide Y

Bradykinin synthesis





Vasoactive peptides



- bradykinin
- lysil-bradikinin (kallidin)
- methionyl-lysyl bradykinin
- Receptors:
 - B_1, B_2
- Effects:
 - VD (RR↓)
 - directly
 - PGE₂, PGI₂ release↑ (endothel)
 - capillar permeability↑
 - pain (nociceptive stimulus)
 - Σ: inflammation!
- Drugs:
 - icatibant
 - pain relief
 - anti-inflammatory

Natriuretic peptides



- ANP /BNP/CNP
- Loc.: atrial, ventricular myocardial cells/ CNS
 - ↑: "stretch", Na+↑, RR↑, hyperhidr.
- Receptors:
 - ANP_A, ANP_B, ANP_C
- Effects:
 - VD
 - natriuretic/diuretic
 - − ↓ renin synthesis
- Drugs (synthetic analogues):
 - neseritid
 - ularitid

VIP



- Loc.:
 - peptidergic neurons (GIT, CNS)
- Receptors:
 - VPAC₁, VPAC₂
- Effects:
 - VD (flushing, hypotension)
 - (+) inotrop, kronotrop
 - prokinetic (diarrhea)
 - inflammation
- VIPoma (WDHA)

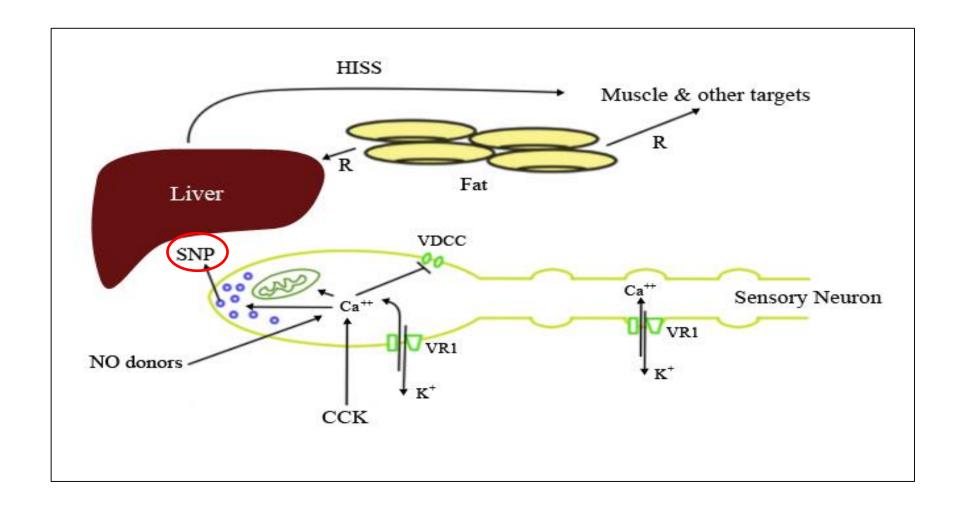
Substance-P



- Loc.:
 - CNS, GIT
- Receptors:
 - $-NK_1, NK_2, NK_3$
- Effects:
 - VD
 - inzulin sensitivity ↑ (HISS mechanism)
 - anxiety, depression, nausea, vomiting
- Drugs:
 - aprepitant



HISS-mechanism



Endothelin



- ET₁
- ET₂
- ET_3
- Loc.:
 - endothel, CNS, kidney, urogenital tract
- Receptors:
 - ETA, ETB
- Effects:
 - VC (initial VD)
- Drugs:
 - bosentan
 - sitaxsentan
 - ambrisentan