

Precision Engineering for Enhanced **Therapeutic Index: Designing STRO-004, a Tissue Factor Targeted ADC for Broadened Efficacy & Safety**



STRO-004 Tissue Factor ADC: A Potential for Pan-Tumor Targeting ADC

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Tissue Factor is an attractive pan-tumor target

Tissue Factor: **broadly expressed** across multiple solid tumor indications

Reduced bleeding risk with antibodies that don't interfere with the coagulation pathway (potential Tissue Factor ontarget toxicity)

Concerns over low level expression in eye and skin

Expansive indication space in oncology

Clinical validation in **metastatic cervical cancer with an approved tubulin inhibitor ADC**

Broad potential opportunity in other solid tumors, including large indications such as HNSCC and lung cancer

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Potential for improved clinical performance?

Site-specific conjugation and different positioning of novel Exatecan B-glu linker-payload

Reduce neutropenia risk Avoid bleeding risk

Avoid ocular toxicities

Improved potency



Tissue Factor activates Factor X which initiates the coagulation cascade



- Tissue Factor is expressed in the subendothelium
- When endothelium is damaged, tissue factor combines with circulating factor VII to activate factor X
- Activated factor X initiates the coagulation cascade



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Cancer type	TF prevalence (%)	TF H-score (mean ± SEM)
Pancreatic cancer	86% (51/59)	103 ± 11
Cervical cancer	77% (47/61)	108 ± 12
NSCLC	77% (46/60)	45 ± 7
HNSCC	75% (45/60)	86 ± 9.7
Endometrial	70% (42/60)	62 ± 9
Prostate cancer	68% (41/60)	65 ± 10
Esophageal cancer	63% (39/62)	63 ± 10
Colon cancer	76% (22/29)	84 ± 16

HNSCC Esophageal Cervical

De Bono, et al (2022) Cancer Research



- High affinity, high specificity anti-Tissue Factor antibody
 - High affinity IgG1 antibody
 - Strong internalizing activity, ideal for ADC
 - Well-behaved in circulation
 - No interference with factor X coagulation; reduced bleeding risk
- Site-specifically conjugated for homogeneous drug product
 - Rapid, specific conjugation via non-natural amino acid
 - Conjugation at sites optimized for stability in circulation, tumorspecific payload release
 - Homogeneous DAR4, no DAR distribution





Optimized β-glucuronidase exatecan linker-payload designed for stability in circulation, tumor-selective payload release

- Optimized linker, precisely designed for tumor-selective payload release
 - Hydrophilic linker supporting improved solubility and PK
 - PEG chain further enhances solubility, supporting high DAR
 - Stable in circulation
 - Efficiently cleaved by β -glucuronidase enzyme
- Potent exatecan payload, broadly active against solid tumor indications
 - Potent topoisomerase I inhibitor (nM)
 - Strong bystander activity, ideal for heterogeneously expressed target antigen
 - Limited susceptibility to efflux by drug pumps
 - Strong combination potential with checkpoint blockade and inhibitors of DNA Damage Response



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STRO-004 anti-TF exatecan ADC shows potent dose dependent anti-tumor activity in xenograft models of breast, lung, and head and neck cancer



- STRO-004 was tested at doses ranging from 0.25 mg/kg 2 mg/kg
- STRO-004 is efficacious at low doses and shows a clear dose response in the NCI-H1975, MD-MBA-231, and Detroit 562 xenograft models
- All treatments were well tolerated, and no body weight loss was observed



Topoisomerase I inhibitors can combine with DNA Damage & Response inhibitors to suppress tumor growth



Topoisomerase I inhibitors

- Block DNA unwinding
- Induce single stranded (SSB) and double stranded (DSB) DNA breaks



PARP

- An important DNA repair mechanism in the cell
- Can limit the activity of topol inhibitors



Strong mechanistic rationale for synergistic activity

- PARP inhibitors can sensitize cells to the cytotoxicity of topol inhibitors
- Potential for deeper response, even in PARP-refractory populations





Topoisomerase I and PARP inhibitors elicit strong combination benefit

- Strong mechanistic rationale for synergistic activity
- PARPi can sensitize cells to cytotoxicity of exatecan
- Substantial preclinical evidence supporting combination benefit of topol and PARP inhibitors





Exatecan induces Immunogenic Cell Death and protects against tumor rechallenge in an in vivo vaccination model





Vaccination - CT26 treated with	Group Function	% tumor free	ICD inducer
none	null control	0%	NA
Cisplatin	negative control	0%	Ν
Doxorubicin	positive control	73 %	Υ
Exatecan	ICD assessment	60%	Υ



STRO-004 shows increased efficacy when combined with immune checkpoint blockade



- MC38-hTF therapeutic model with large, refractory tumors
- Mice dosed with STRO-004, anti-PD1, or the combination
- Little anti-tumor benefit was observed with anti-PD1 checkpoint blockade
- STRO-004 induces tumor stasis
- Consistent with the immunogenic potential of the exatecan payload, combination benefit was observed (5/6 complete response)



Safety evaluation of Tissue Factor-targeted therapies in non-human primates

Safety risks for TF-targeted therapies

- Systemic toxicity potential: myelosuppression
- On-target toxicity potential:
 - Tissue Factor widely expressed in the skin, eye, gastrointestinal tissues
 - Main risks: Bleeding, Skin toxicity, Eye toxicity

Safety study design in NHP

- Tissue Factor PK characterized by TMDD
- TF-ADCs reported toxicities between 3-20 mg/kg
- Our study design: 5, 15, 30 mg/kg q3w x2
 - Cage-side observations, including slit-lamp for signs of eye toxicity
 - Clinical pathology, for signs of myelosuppression
 - TK and ADA
 - Histopathology, for on-target and off-target toxicities





STRO-004 was well-tolerated, achieving significant exposures in NHP



ADC Dose: Ana	lyte	
5 mg/kg: -0-	TAb - ADC - O-	SC3386
15 mg/kg: - 🗸	TAb 🕂 ADC 🔫	SC3386
30 mg/kg:	TAb ADC	SC3386

STRO-004 stable in circulation, achieving significant exposures

- Well-behaved antibody, achieving significant exposures
- Stable ADC: overlapping antibody and ADC profiles
- dose-dependent CL



STRO-004 Demonstrated a Wide Safety Window in Preclinical Models

No significant safety findings; MTD/HNSTD not reached at 30 mg/kg

- **No observed myelosuppression** (no changes observed in neutrophils, platelets, WBCs)
- No elevation of liver enzymes
- No histopathology findings

No evidence of TF on-target toxicity

- No evidence of skin toxicity with STRO-004. First generation TF-ADCs saw skin toxicity at ≥ 3 mpk
- No ocular toxicity was observed with STRO-004; TF auristatin-ADCs reported corneal toxicities ≥ 3 mpk
- Sutro's DAR4-hemiasterlin also induces corneal toxicities, but later onset and at higher doses (onset between 5 and 20 mpk)



Expansive indication space

- Clinical validation of Tissue Factor in solid tumor indications, including cervical and HNSCC cancer
- Widely expressed in many other solid tumor indications

STRO-004: Designed for significantly superior clinical performance

- Optimized antibody with reduced bleeding risk; no interference in blood coagulation pathways
- Efficient tumor killing with every antigen binding and internalization event
- High potency DNA targeting TOPO-1 inhibitor payload with compelling clinical validation
- Novel linker-payload improves tumor selectivity to increase therapeutic index and provide significant safety window

We believe that STRO-004's design elements demonstrate impressive efficacy while significantly reducing Tissue Factor-mediated toxicities such as skin and eye toxicity.





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