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### PRECLINICAL RESEARCHES ON TUMOR ACCUMULATIVE NOVEL SUGAR DENDRITIC GD-DTPA COMPLEX MRI CONTRAST AGENTS AND IER5/CDC25B TARGETED NOVEL PHOSPHA SUGAR MOLECULAR TARGETED ANTITUMOR AGENTS TO INNOVATE IN CANCER THERAPY

Innovative and strategic materials against tumor to decrease sharply the number of people died by tumors are desired eagerly. To innovate in medical technologies of diagnosis and cure for various kinds of cancers by novel medicinal materials, i.e., sugar dendritic Gd-DTPA complex MRI contrast agent (DEN-OH) and IER5/Cdc25B targeted novel molecular targeted phospho sugar antitumor agents (e.g., TBMPP) were prepared and evaluated in vitro and in vivo methods, and then these novel medicinal materials were revealed preclinically to have excellent characters against tumor cells. Sugar dendritic Gd-DTPA complex (DEN-OH) was prepared by introduction of protected sugar dendritic parts to diethylenetriamine pentaacetic acid (DTPA) ligand followed by the successive complex formation with Gd (III) and hydrolysis. The prepared DEN-OH for MRI contrast agent (1/10 Gd concentration compared with Magnevist) showed quite clearer images of quite early stage of cancer (Figure 1). Phospho sugar derivatives, one of pseudosugar derivatives (Figure 2), were prepared via traditional or newly developed synthetic pathway to construct the compound library. Deoxybromophospho sugar derivatives (e.g., TBMPP) prepared from phospholenes were first found to exert quite effective and wide spectral antitumor activities by in vitro evaluation against various kinds of leukemia cells such as K562 and U937 cell lines as well as solid cancer cells (stomach, lung, and skin cancers), where normal cells were not suffered from any damages. Mechanistic studies of phospho sugar (TBMPP) on leukemia cells by Western blotting showed that the phospho sugar enhanced the expression of IER5, and then suppressed the expression of Cdc25B in the cell cycle of tumor cells. As the results, tumor cells might selectively and specifically be induced apoptosis at the mitosis step of the tumor cell cycle. In vivo evaluation for TBMPP was successfully performed by using a nude mouse transplanted by K562 cells on the skin (Figure 3)

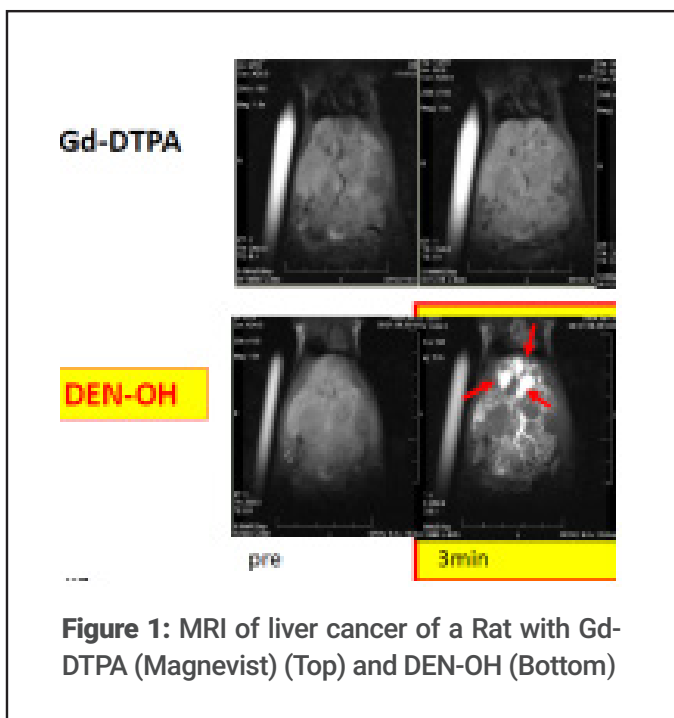
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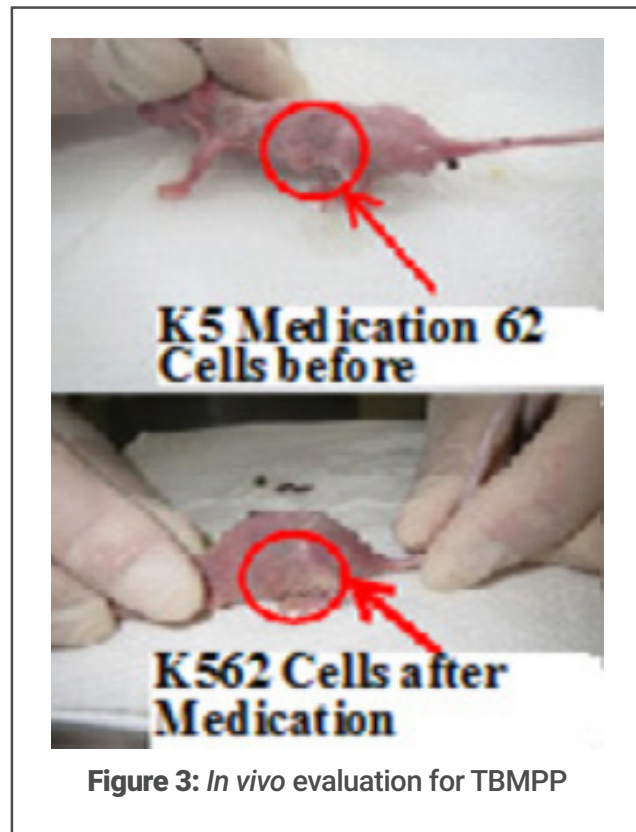
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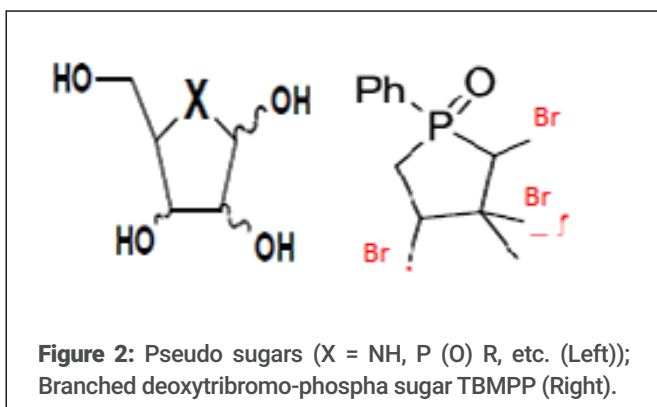
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**Figure 1:** MRI of liver cancer of a Rat with Gd-DTPA (Magnevist) (Top) and DEN-OH (Bottom)



**Figure 3:** *In vivo* evaluation for TBMP



**Figure 2:** Pseudo sugars (X = NH, P (O) R, etc. (Left)); Branched deoxytribromo-phospha sugar TBMP (Right).