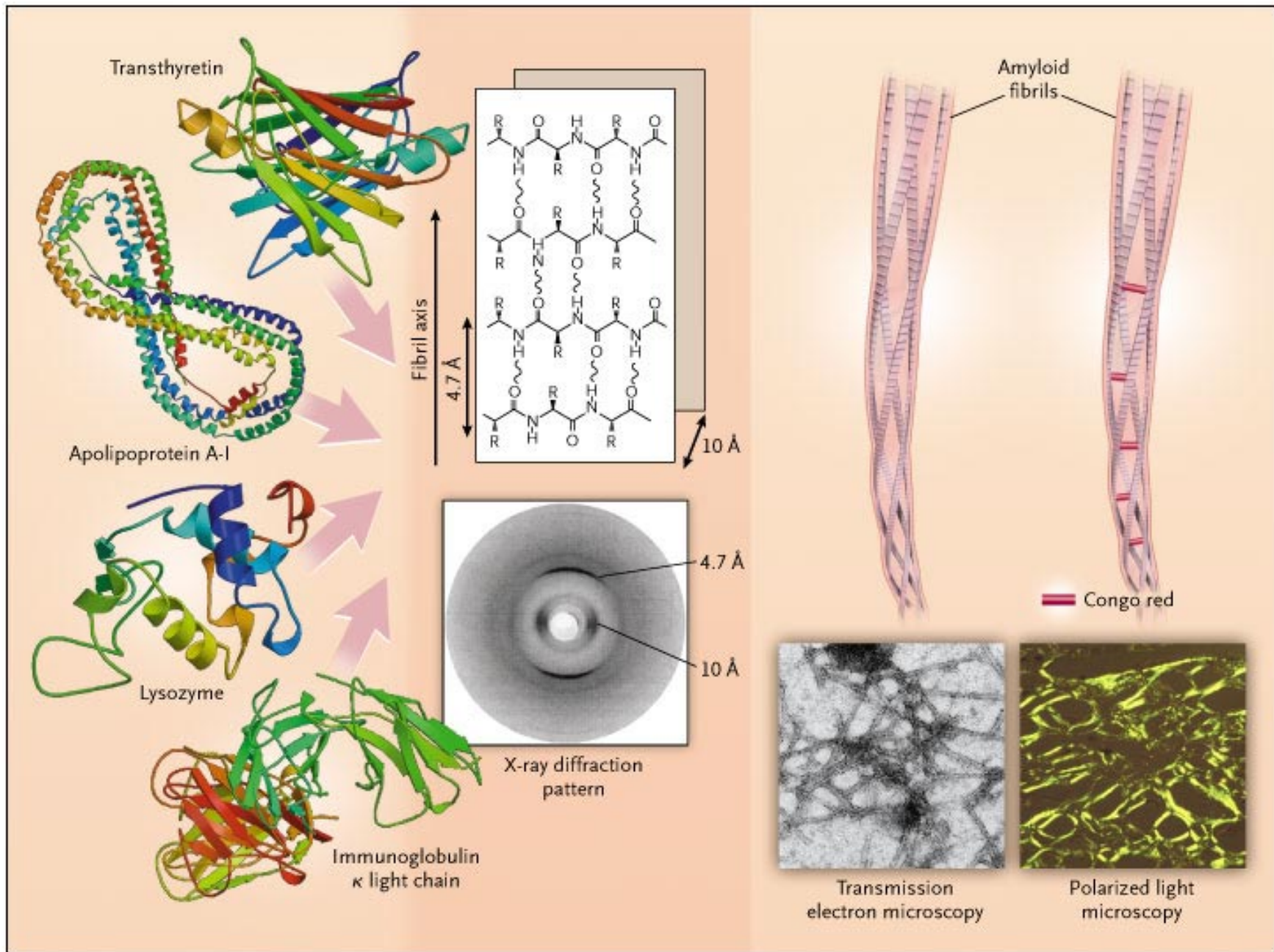


Small molecules and
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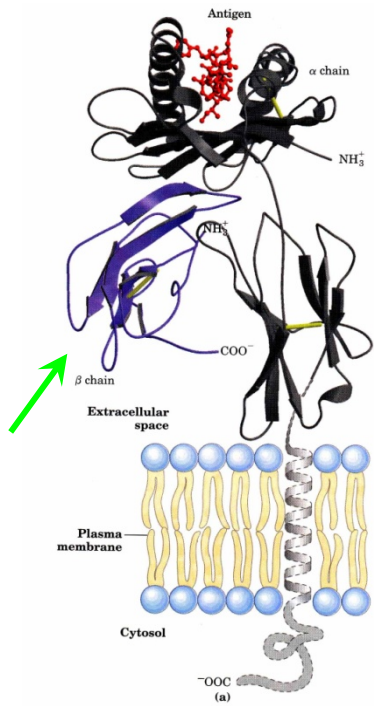
Table 1. Amyloid Proteins and Their Precursors.*

Amyloid Protein	Precursor	Distribution	Type	Syndrome or Involved Tissues
A β	A β protein precursor	Localized Localized	Acquired Hereditary	Sporadic Alzheimer's disease, aging Prototypical hereditary cerebral amyloid angiopathy, Dutch type
APrP	Prion protein	Localized Localized	Acquired Hereditary	Sporadic (iatrogenic) CJD, new variant CJD (alimentary?) Familial CJD, GSSD, FFI
ABri	ABri protein precursor	Localized or systemic?	Hereditary	British familial dementia
ACys	Cystatin C	Systemic	Hereditary	Icelandic hereditary cerebral amyloid angiopathy
A β 2M	Beta ₂ -microglobulin	Systemic	Acquired	Chronic hemodialysis
AL	Immunoglobulin light chain	Systemic or localized	Acquired	Primary amyloidosis, myeloma-associated
AA	Serum amyloid A	Systemic	Acquired	Secondary amyloidosis, reactive to chronic infection or inflammation including hereditary periodic fever (FMF, TRAPS, HIDS, FCU, and MWS)
ATTR	Transthyretin	Systemic Systemic	Hereditary Acquired	Prototypical FAP Senile heart, vessels
AApoAI	Apolipoprotein A-I	Systemic	Hereditary	Liver, kidney, heart
AApoAII	Apolipoprotein A-II	Systemic	Hereditary	Kidney, heart
AGel	Gelsolin	Systemic	Hereditary	Finnish hereditary amyloidosis
ALys	Lysozyme	Systemic	Hereditary	Kidney, liver, spleen
AFib	Fibrinogen A α chain	Systemic	Hereditary	Kidney

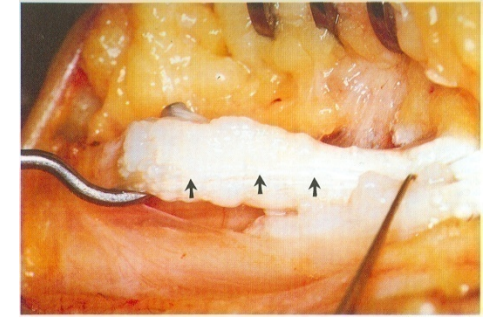
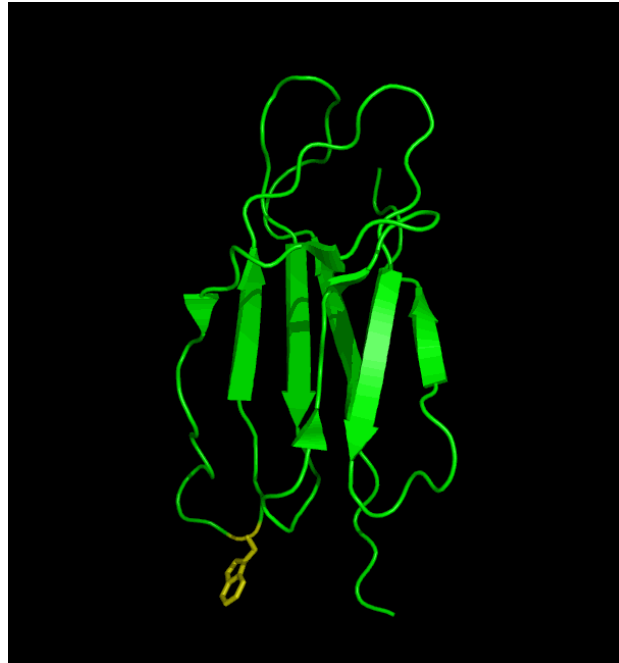


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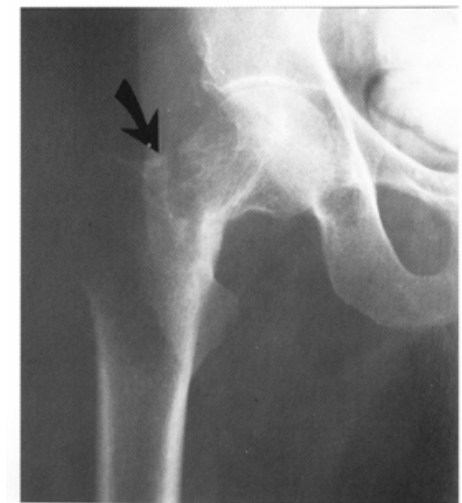
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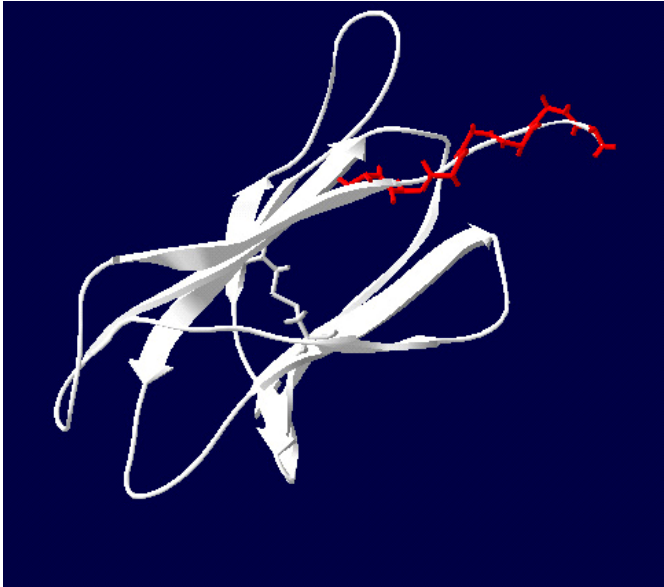
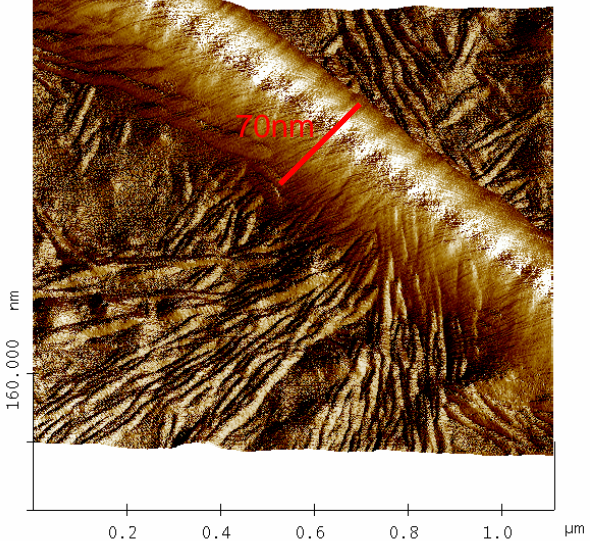
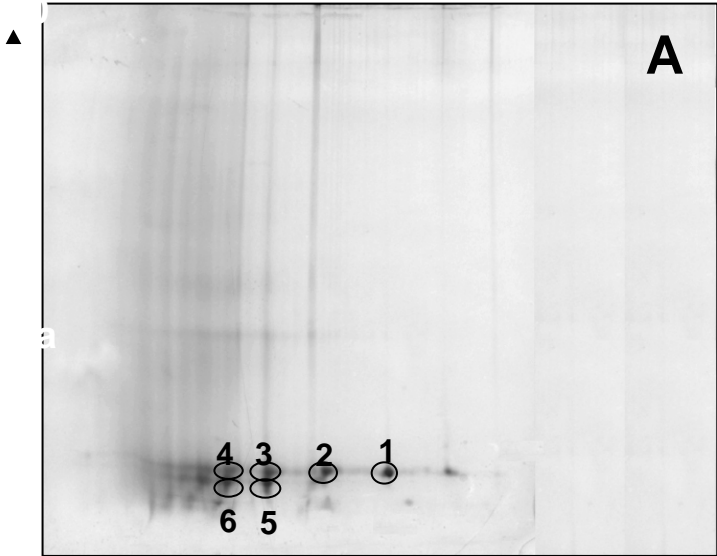
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Amyloid deposits



Imaging, Microscopy and Proteomics analysis in molecular diagnosis



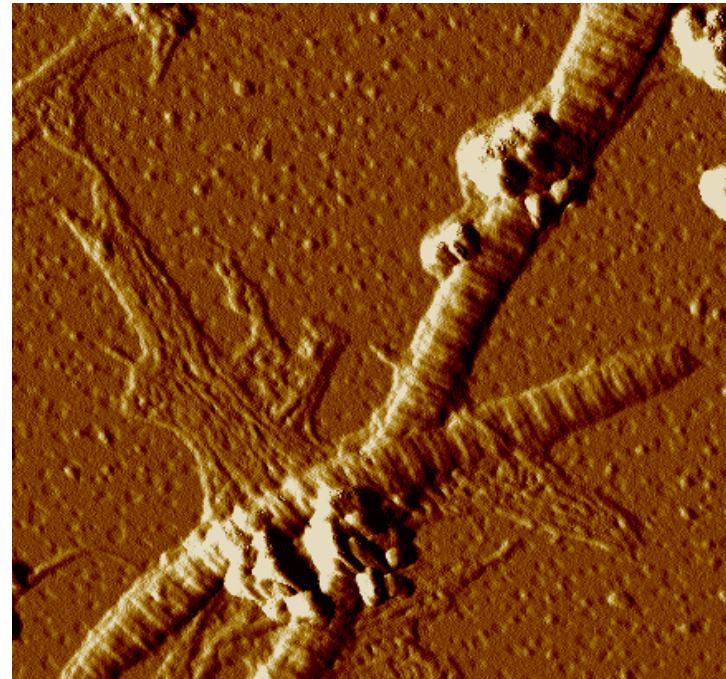
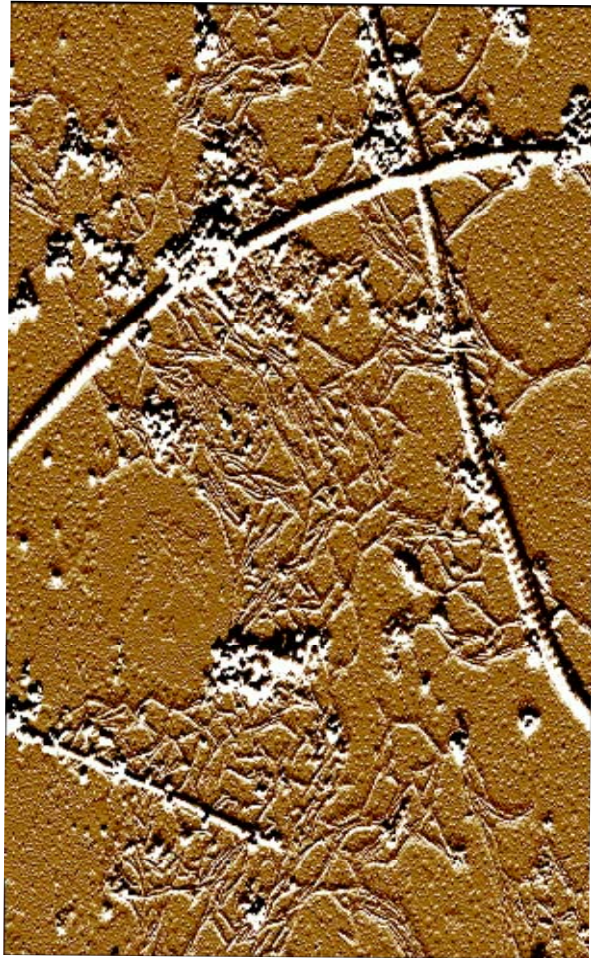
Amyloid 15:1-7, 2009

Naiki, et al 1997. <i>Amyloid</i> 4 : 223–232	Na Citrate 50mM pH 2.5 - 4	β 2-m 100 uM + seeds
McParland et al 2000. <i>Biochemistry</i> 39 : 8735–8746	Na citrate 50 mM pH 2.5 100 mM NaCl	β 2-m 100 uM No seeds
Esposito et al <i>Protein Science</i> 2000, 9:831–845.	Na Citrate 50 mM pH 6.5	β 2-m N-terminal truncated 100 uM +seeds
Chiti et al <i>J Biol Chem.</i> 2001 14; 276(50): 4714-21	Na Citrate 50 mM pH 7.3	Refolding intermediate 100 uM + seeds
Yamamoto al, 2004, <i>J Am Soc Nephrol</i> , 15 :126-133	Na Phosphate 50 mM 100 mM NaCl pH 7.4 20% TFE	β 2-m 100 uM +seeds
Yamamoto al, <i>Biochemistry</i> 2004 43, 11075-11082 Kihara et al, 2005, <i>JBC</i> , 280:120 2-8	Na Phosphate 50 mM 100 mM NaCl pH 7.4 0.5% SDS	β 2-m 25 uM +seeds
Relini A et al. <i>J Biol Chem.</i> 2006 ; 1:16521-9. <i>J Biol Chem.</i> 2008;283:4912-20	Ammonium Acetate 50mM pH 6.4, 20 uM heparin, fibrillar collagen type	β 2-m 30uM
Borysik AJ, et al <i>Kidney Int.</i> 2007 2:174-81	PBS pH 7,4, GAGs	β 2-m N-terminal truncated 200 uM



A potent promoter of fibrillogenesis on collagen is also heparin

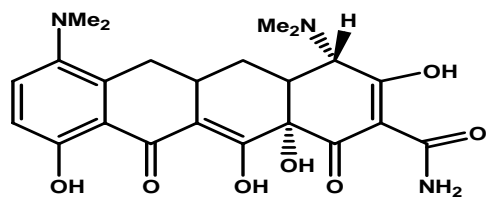
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physiologic model of β_2 -m amyloidogenesis



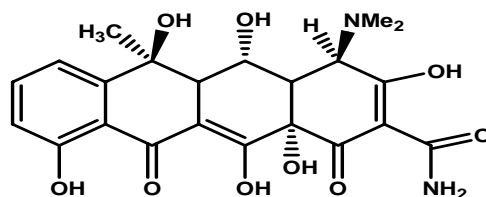
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Identification of drugs targeting the amyloidogenic protein

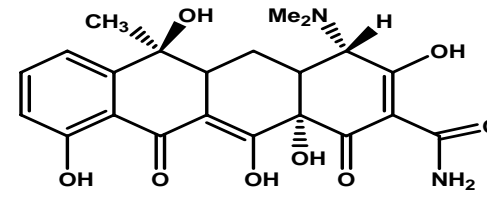
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2. Specific interactors (antibodies)



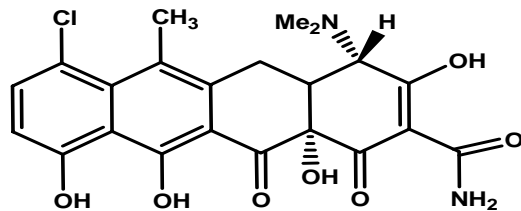
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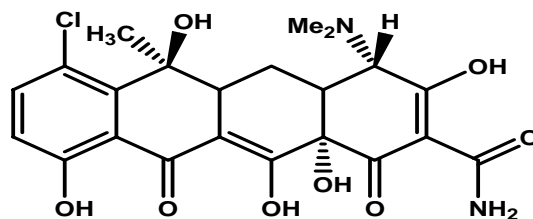
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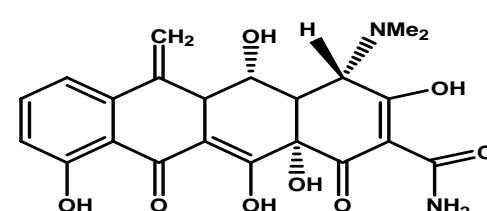
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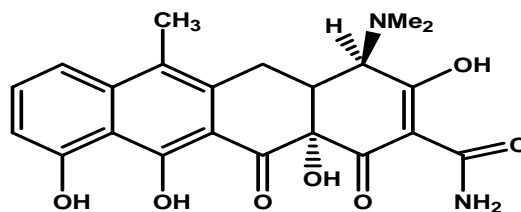
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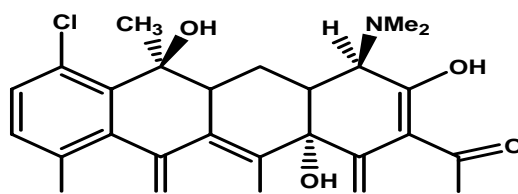
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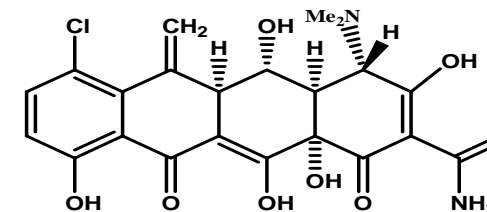
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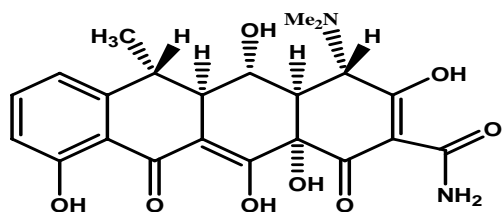
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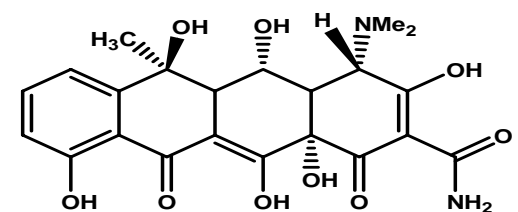
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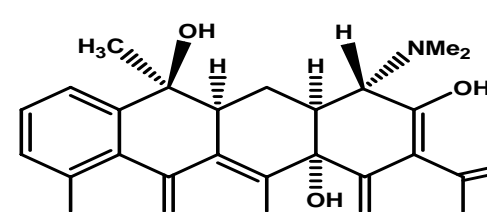
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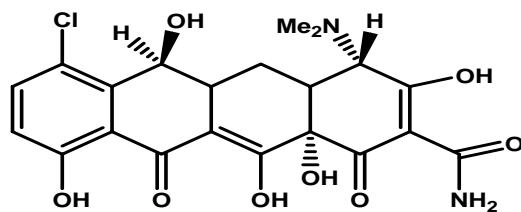
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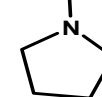
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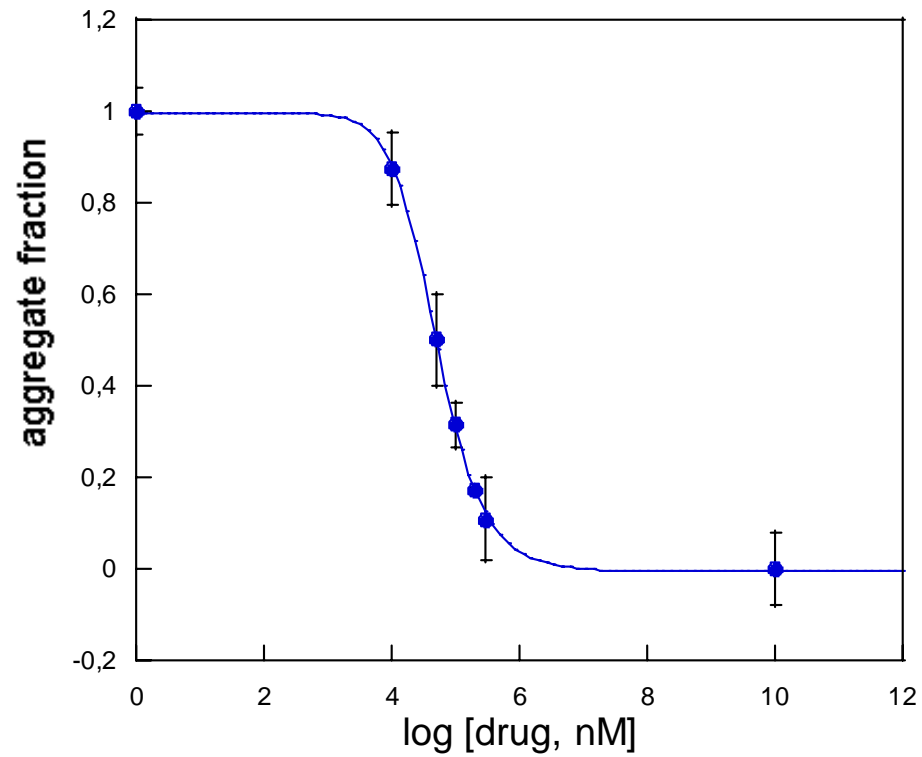
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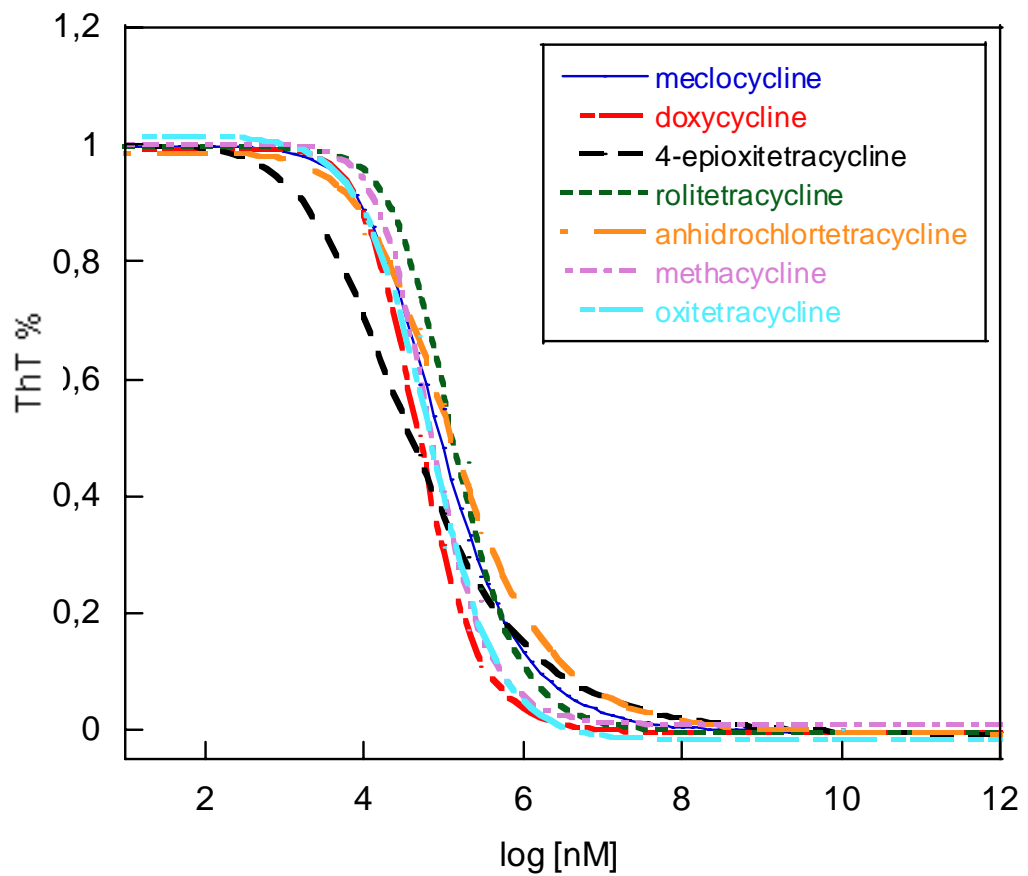
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β 2-m fibrillogenesis in the presence of TFE

Yamamoto S, et al. J Am Soc Nephrol. 15:126-33, 2004

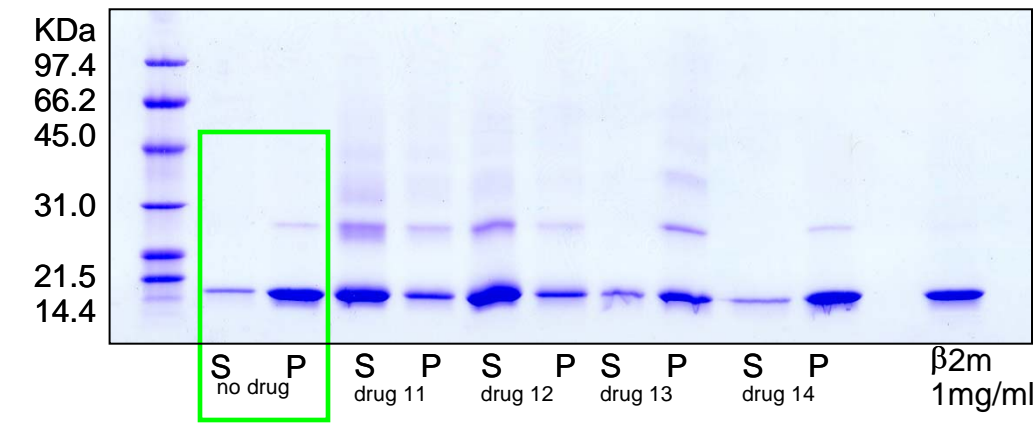
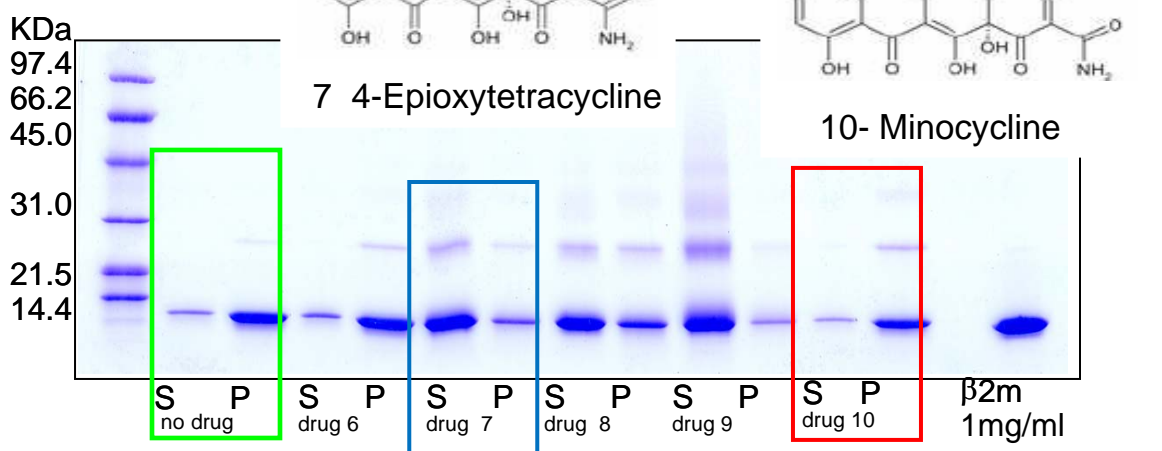
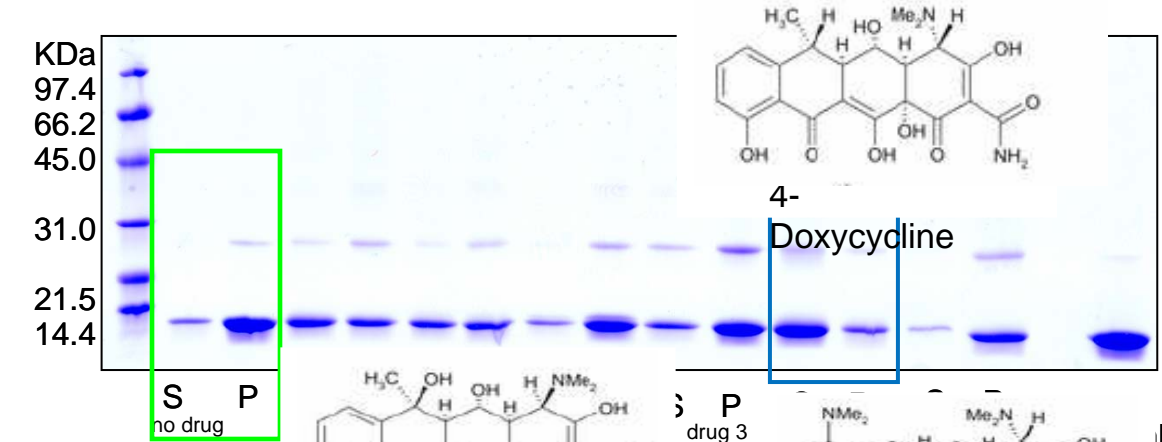
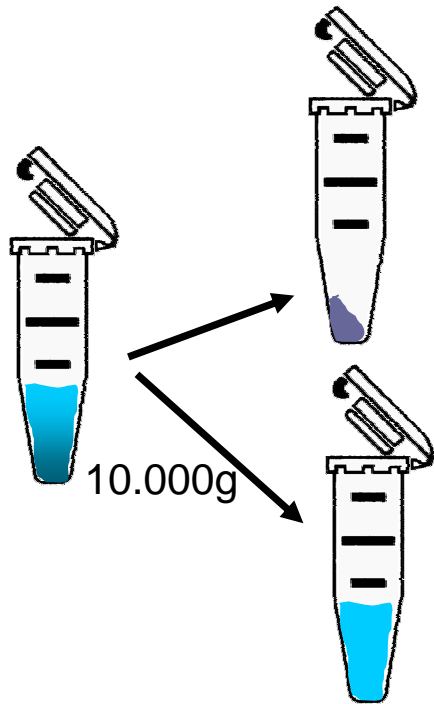


IC 50 : 50 \pm 10 μ M



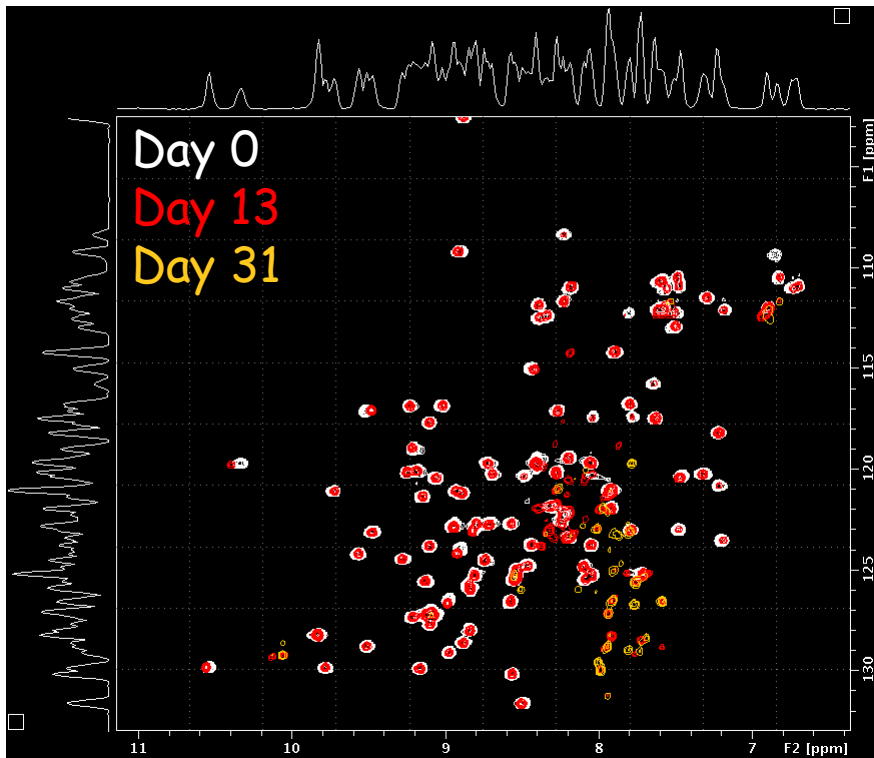
Drug	IC ₅₀ (μM)
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Methacycline	71 ± 9
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Doxycycline	50 ± 5
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Meclocycline	94 ± 12
Rolitetracycline	135 ± 10

Analysis of soluble fraction

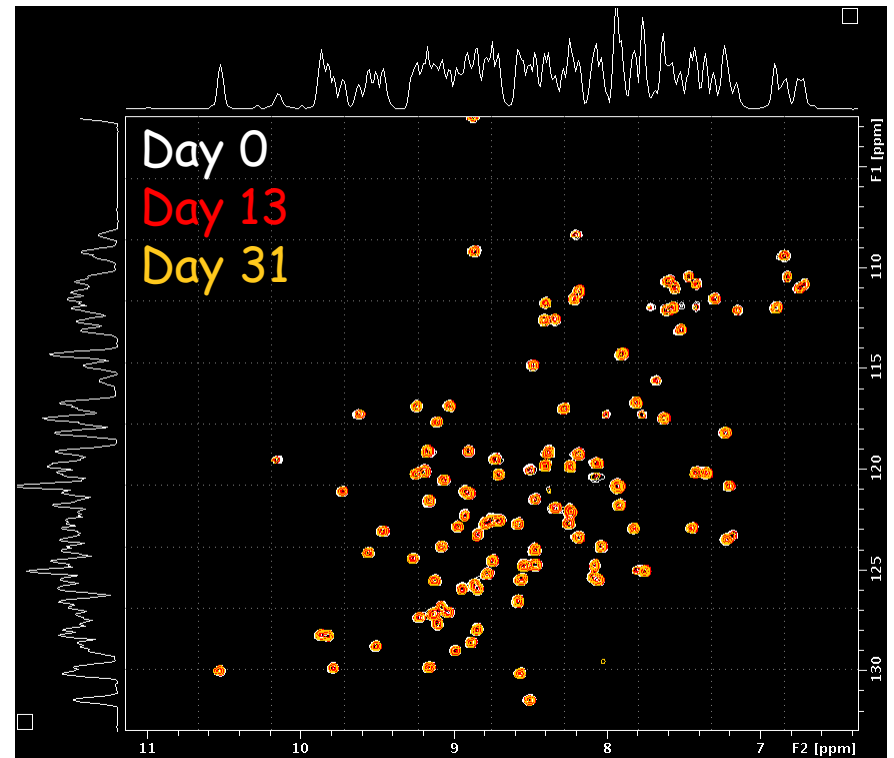


S= supernatante
P= pellet

Doxycycline stabilizes the native form of β 2-m



- doxycycline



+ doxycycline



strand A-B
Loop AB

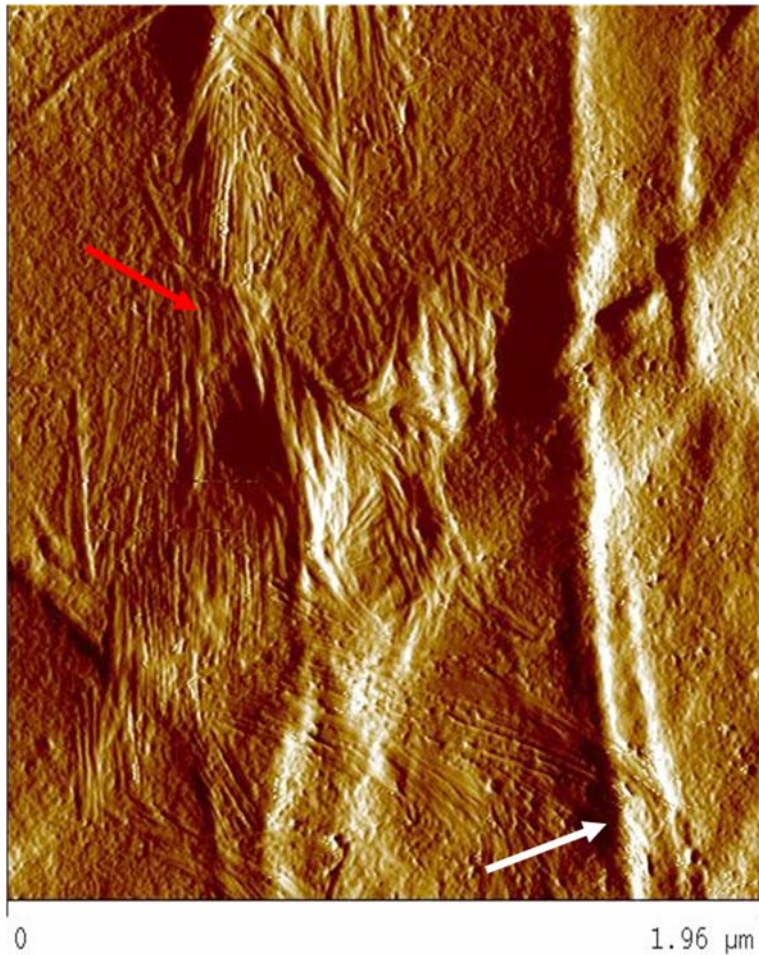
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N-terminal
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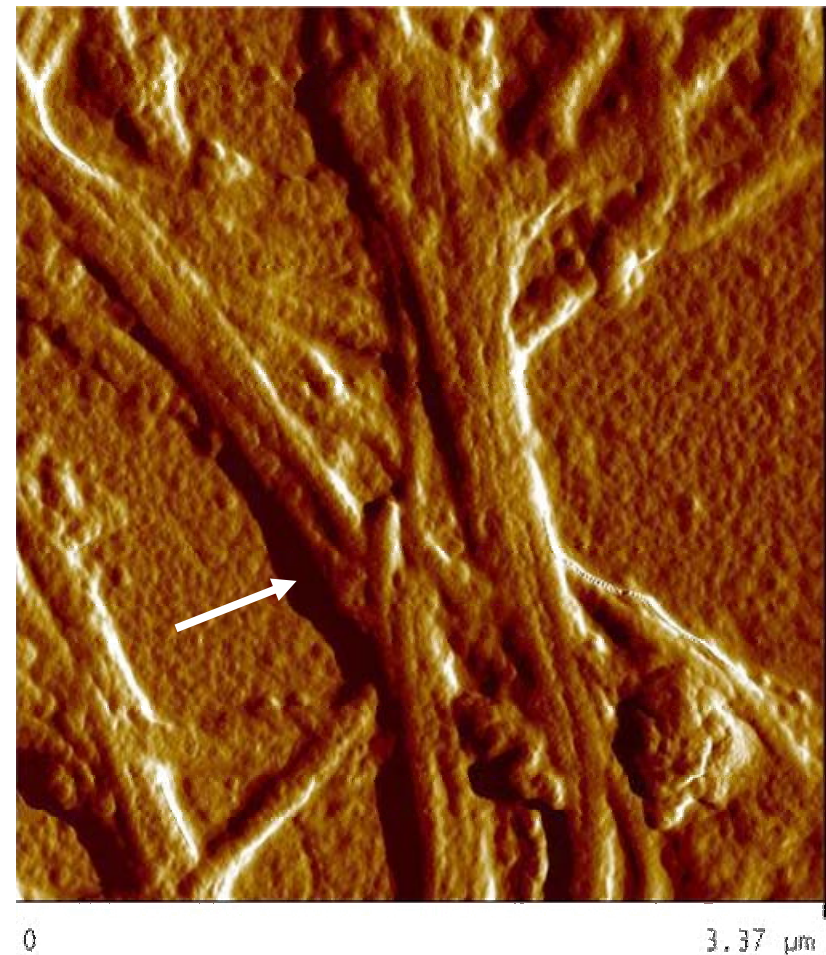
■ $\overline{\Delta\delta} + \sigma < \Delta\delta \leq \overline{\Delta\delta} + 2\sigma$

■ $\Delta\delta > \overline{\Delta\delta} + 2\sigma$

β 2-m fibrillogenesis in the presence of fibrillar collagen

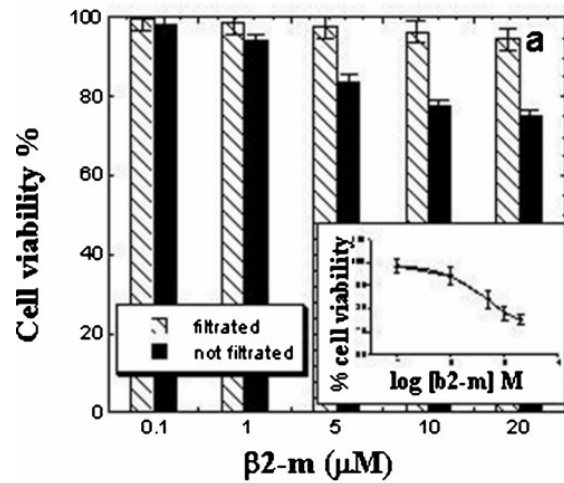


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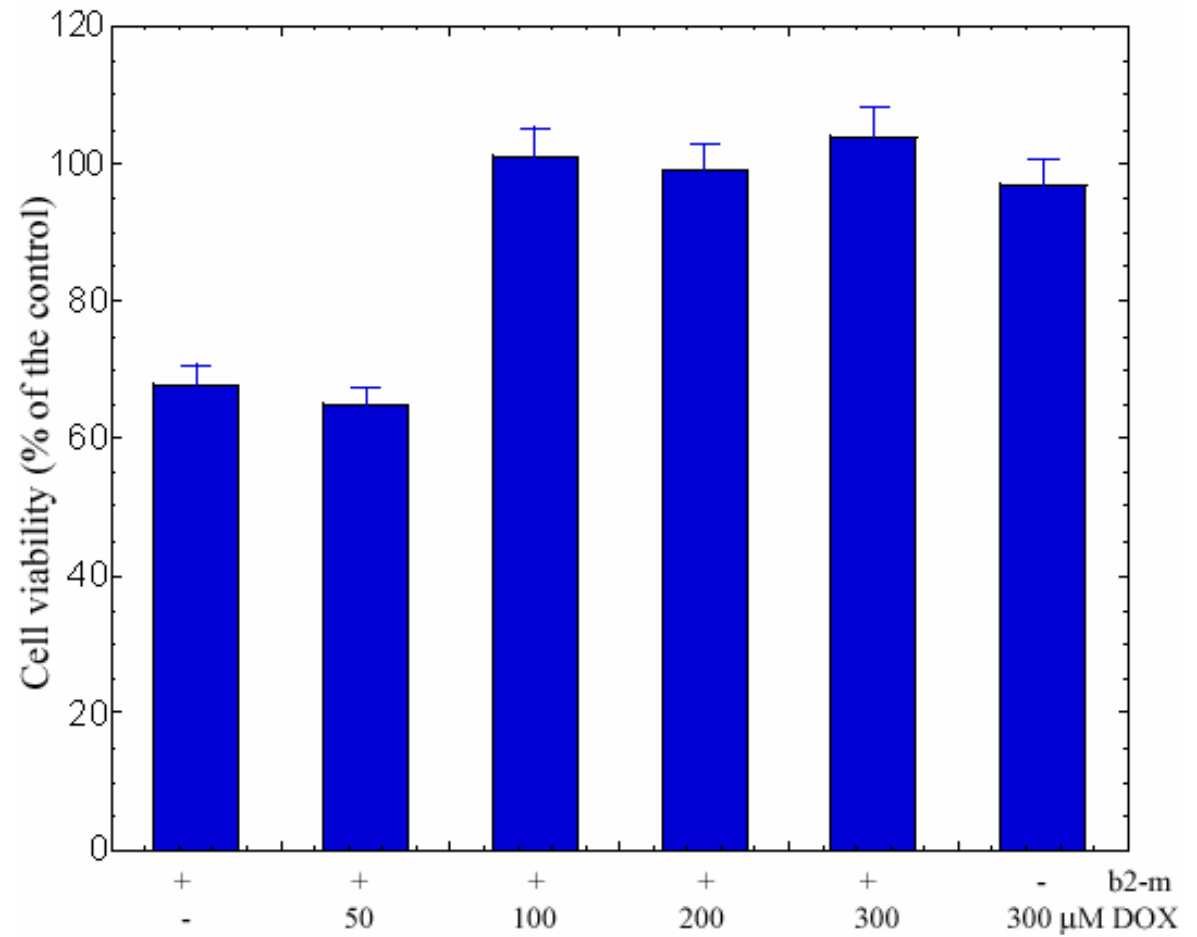


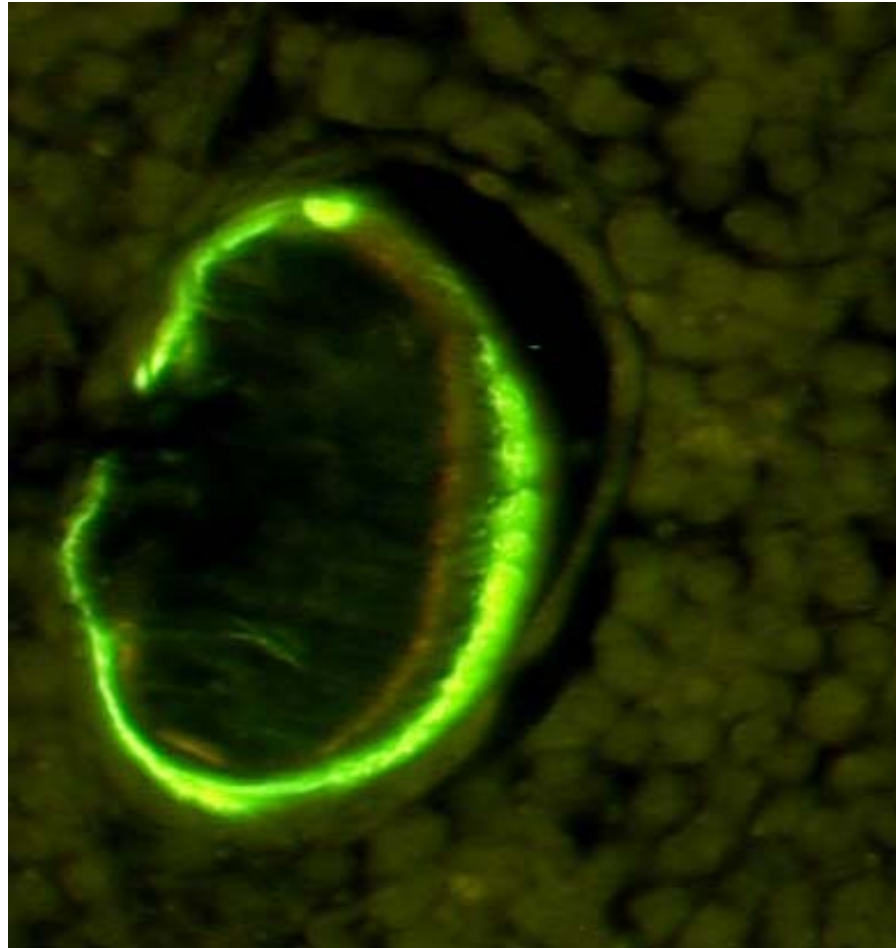
+ doxycycline

The cytotoxic effect of β 2-m soluble in the presence of different amount of Doxycycline on SHSY-5Y cell viability valued by MTT reduction test.



Girgetti et al. Nephrol Dial Transplant. 2009;24:1176-81





(rate of concentration tygecycline bone/plasma > 2000)

Agwuh et al. *J Antimicrobial Chemotherapy* 58, 256-65, (2006)

Conclusion:

In-vitro tuning of bio-mimicking models of amyloidogenesis provide a strong support for translating into clinical trial the evidences of the potent anti-amyloidogenic properties of the tetracyclines selected analogues

Nanobodies

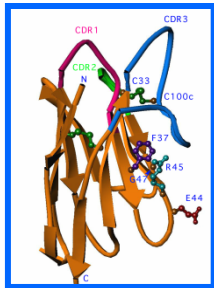


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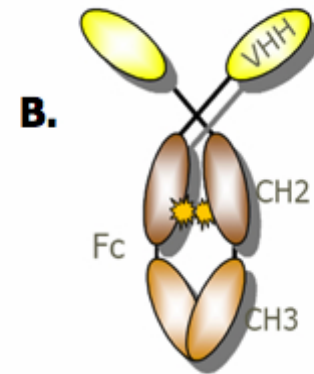
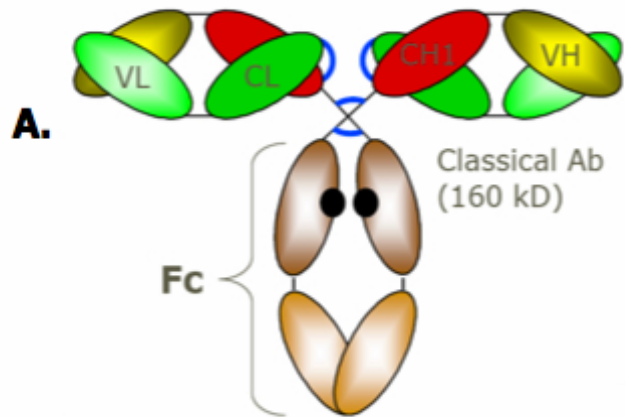


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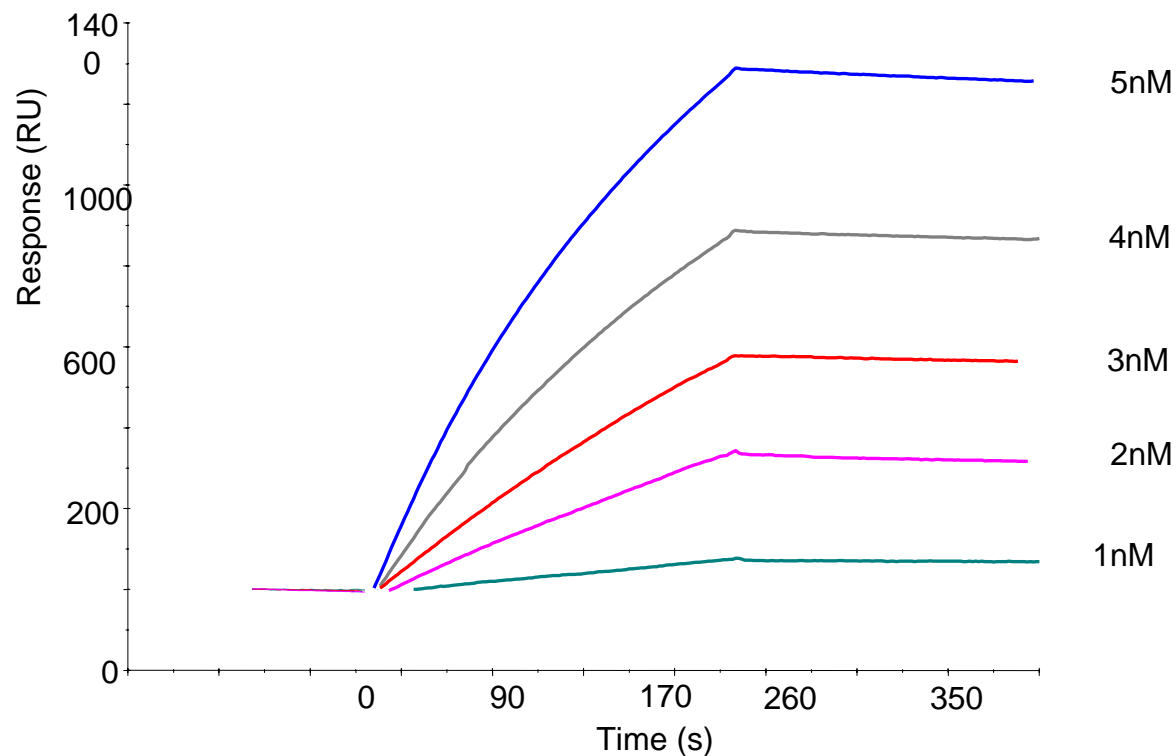
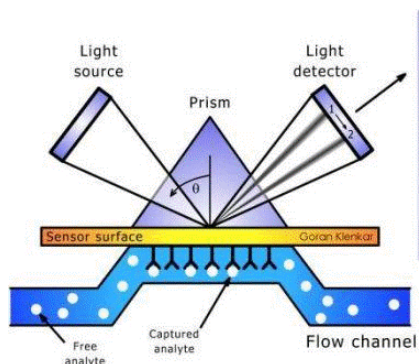


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Nb_21(=Nb_b2m4) EP539 0,752mg/ml VUB-ULTR 07/03/07	6,5ml	4,888mg
Nb_22a (=Nb_b2m2a) EP505 1,153mg/ml VUB-ULTR 07/03/07	4ml	4,612mg
Nb_24 (=Nb_b2m3) EP506 1,989mg/ml VUB-ULTR 07/03/07	5ml	9,945mg
Nb_25 (=Nb_b2m5) EP668 1,916mg/ml VUB-ULTR 07/03/07	4ml	7,664mg
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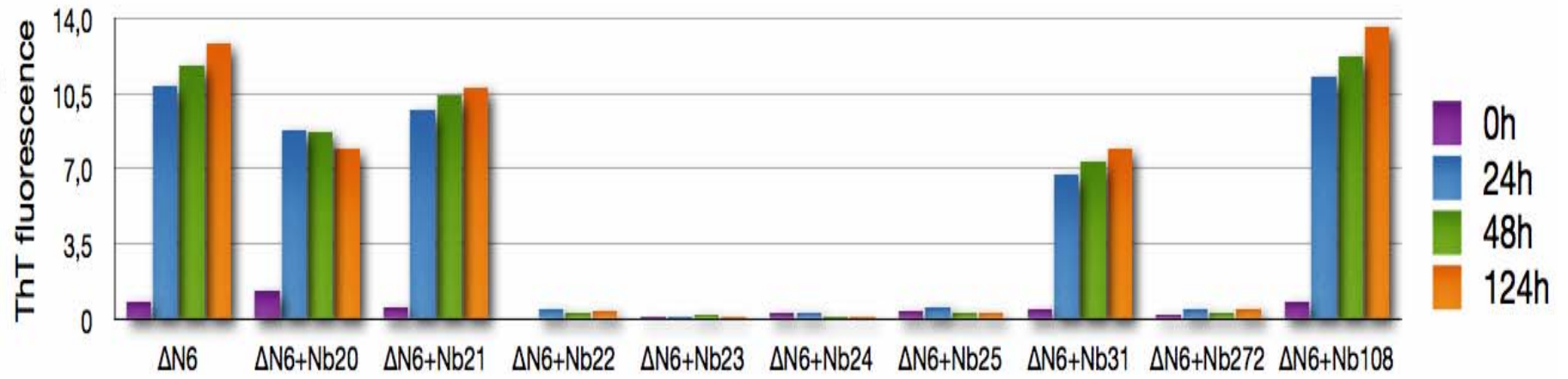
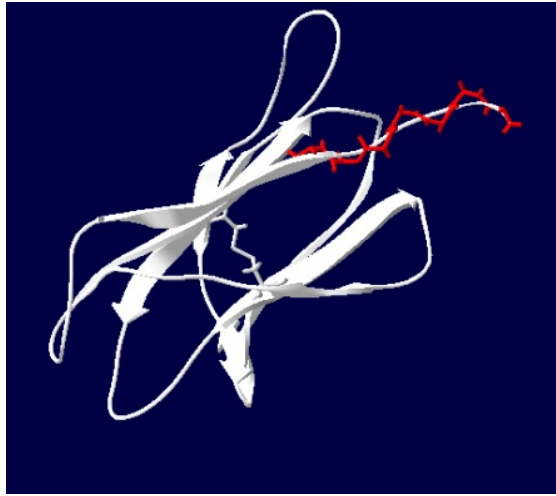
- High affinity
- High stability
- High diffusibility
- Easy humanization
- Easy engineering

Affinity characterization by surface plasmon resonance

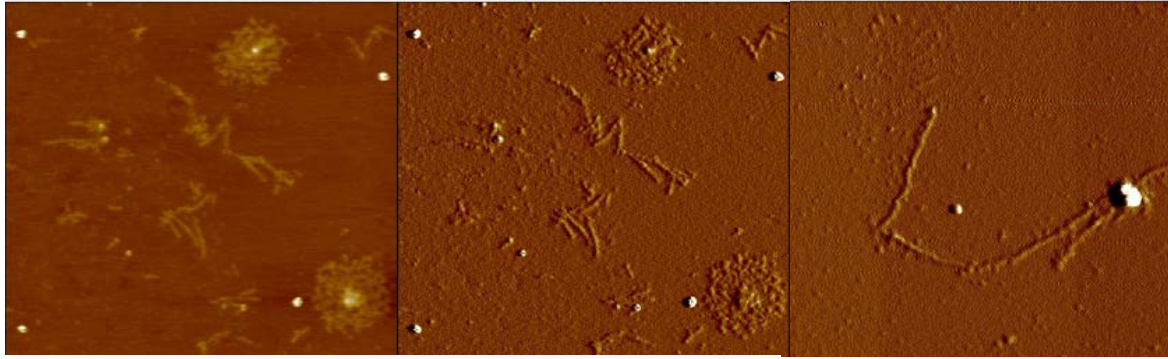


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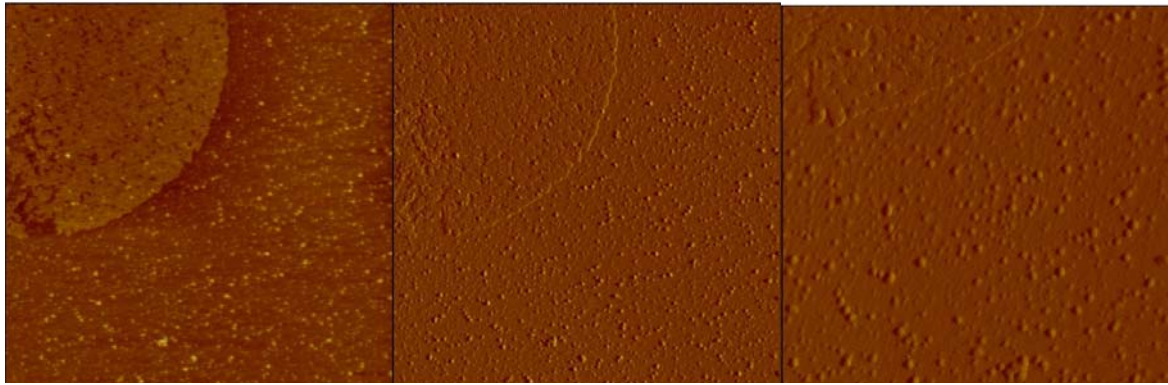
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K_D [nM] b2m	24	269	50	58	2,6	1,6	6,8	129	52
K_D [nM] $\Delta N6$ b2m	35	330	54	44	11,0	6,7	8,4	72	50



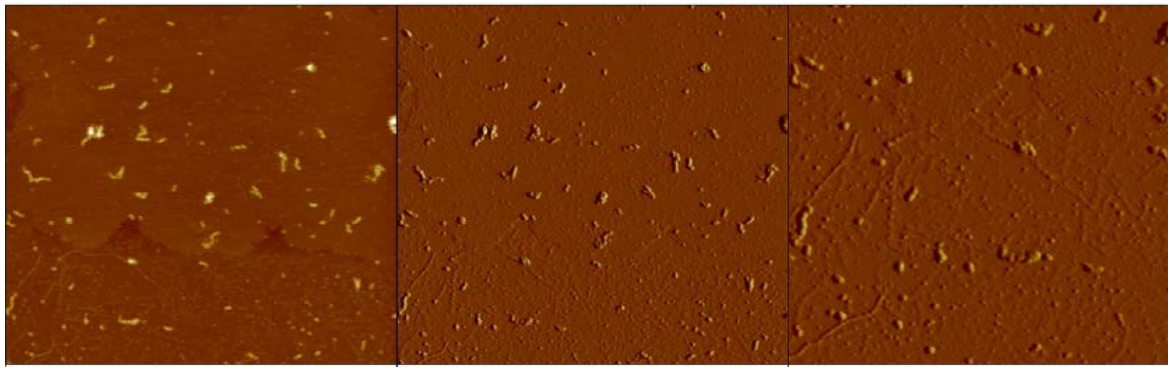
$\Delta N6b2m$



$\Delta N6b2m+Nb23a$

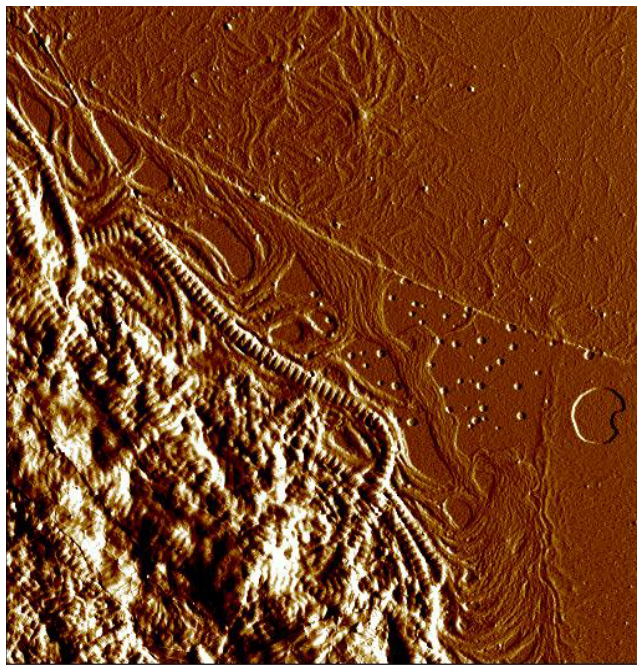


$\Delta N6b2m+Nb20a$



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β 2-m fibrillogenesis in presence of fibrillar collagen



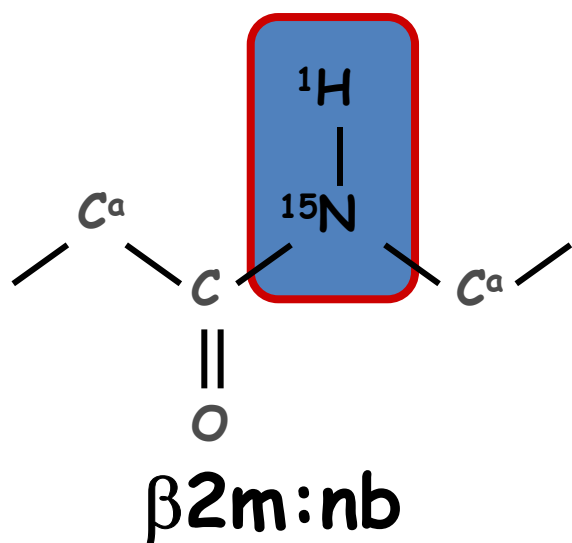
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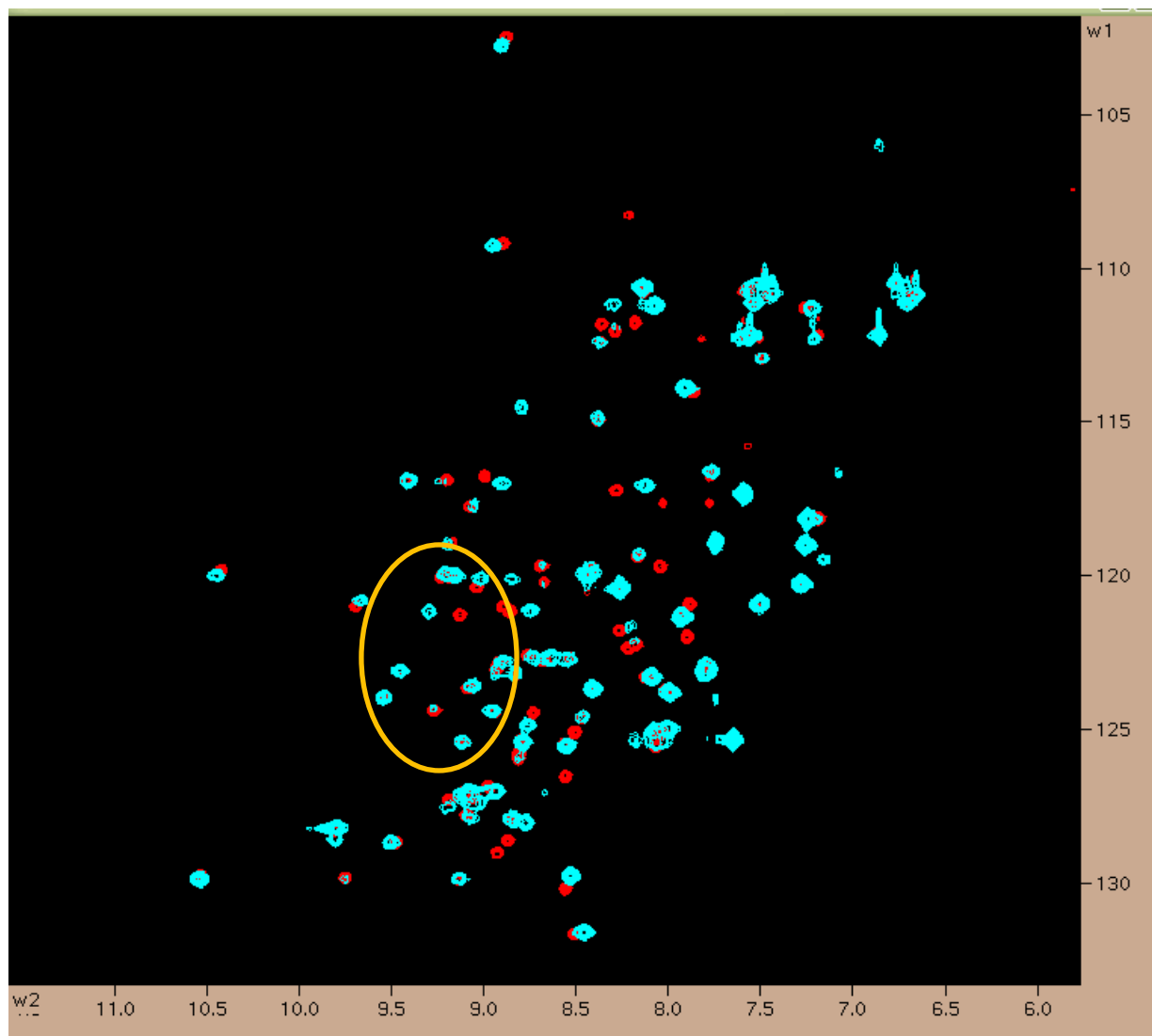
¹⁵N-HSQC: Titration of Unlabelled nb-23a into Labelled β2m



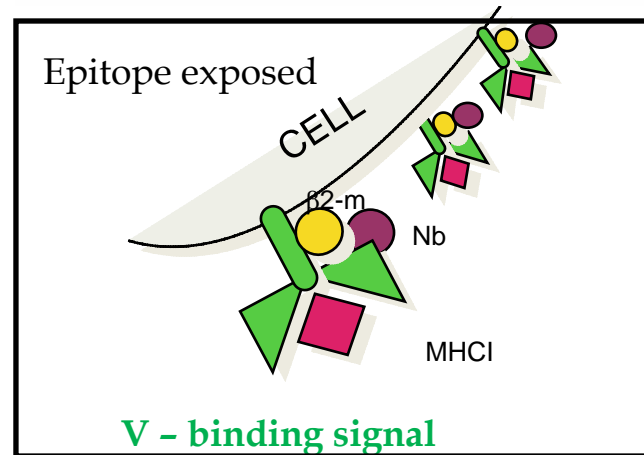
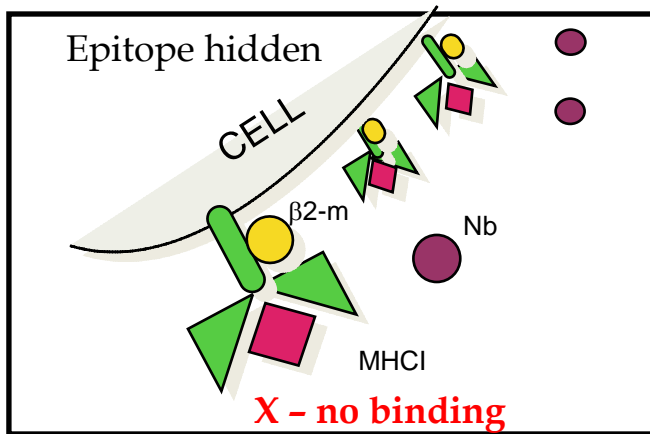
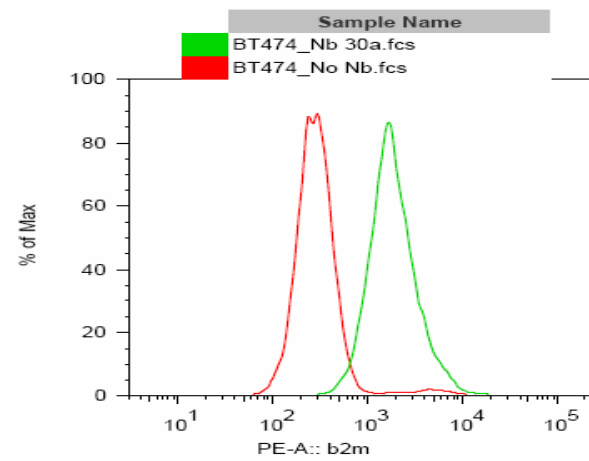
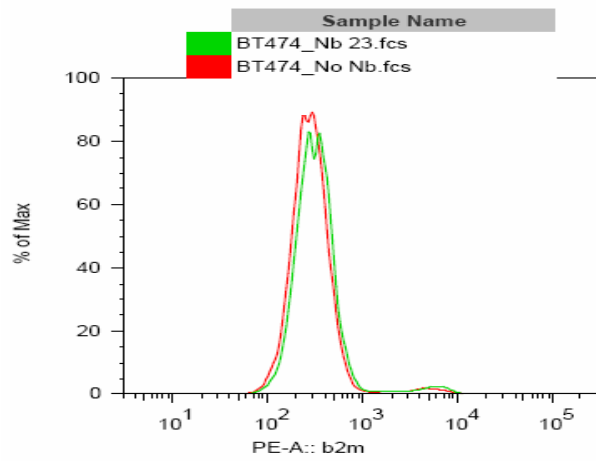
β2m:nb

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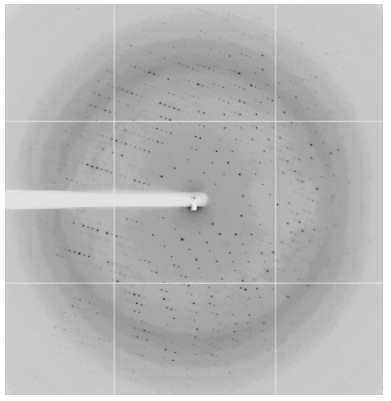
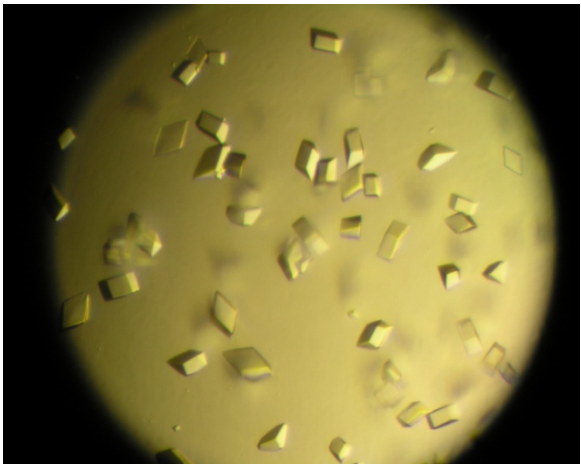
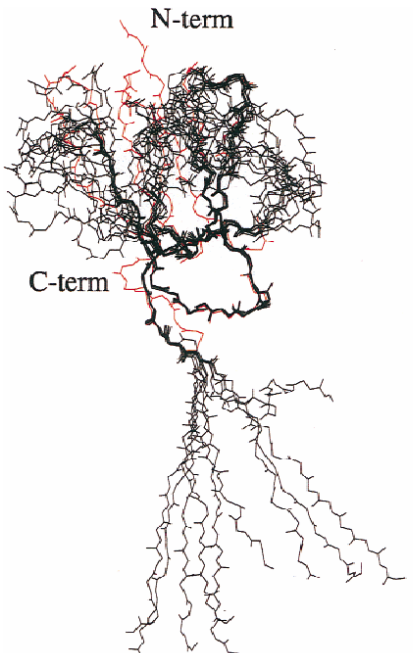




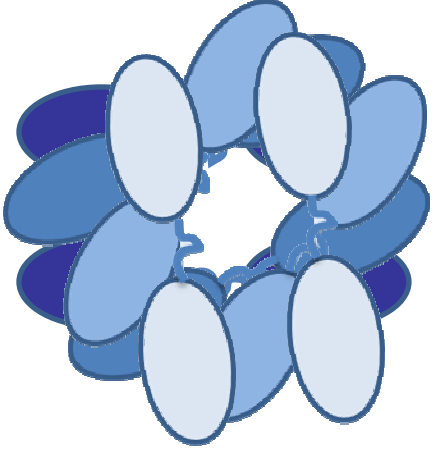
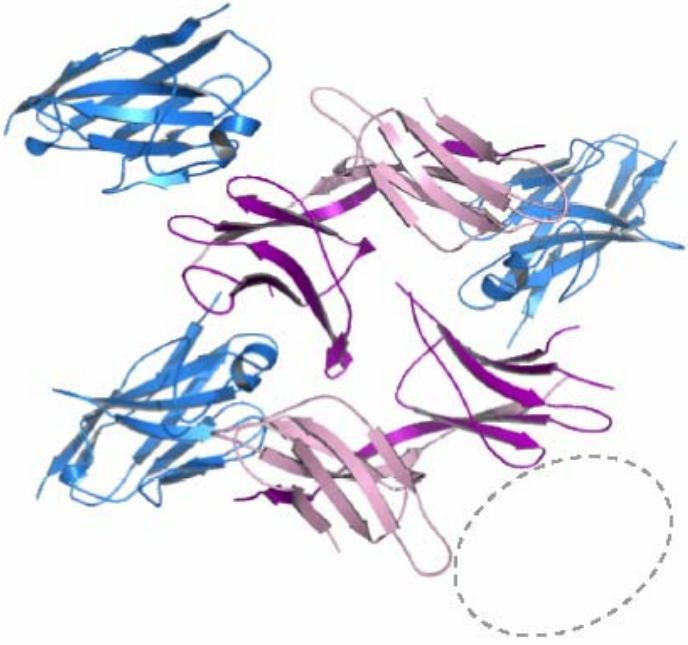


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2	MDA-MB 435D	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
3	SKBR3	x	x	x	x	V	V	x	x	V

X-ray crystallography

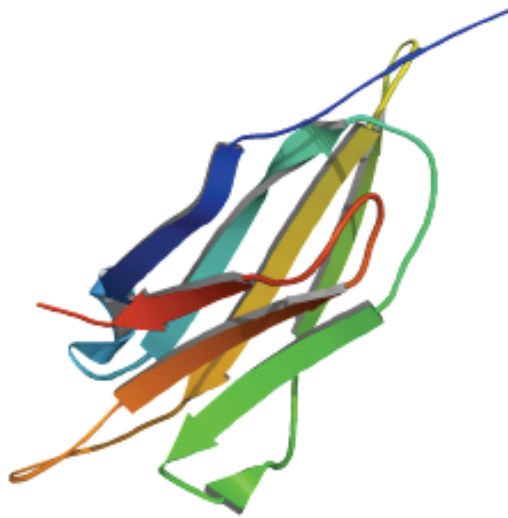


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(b)



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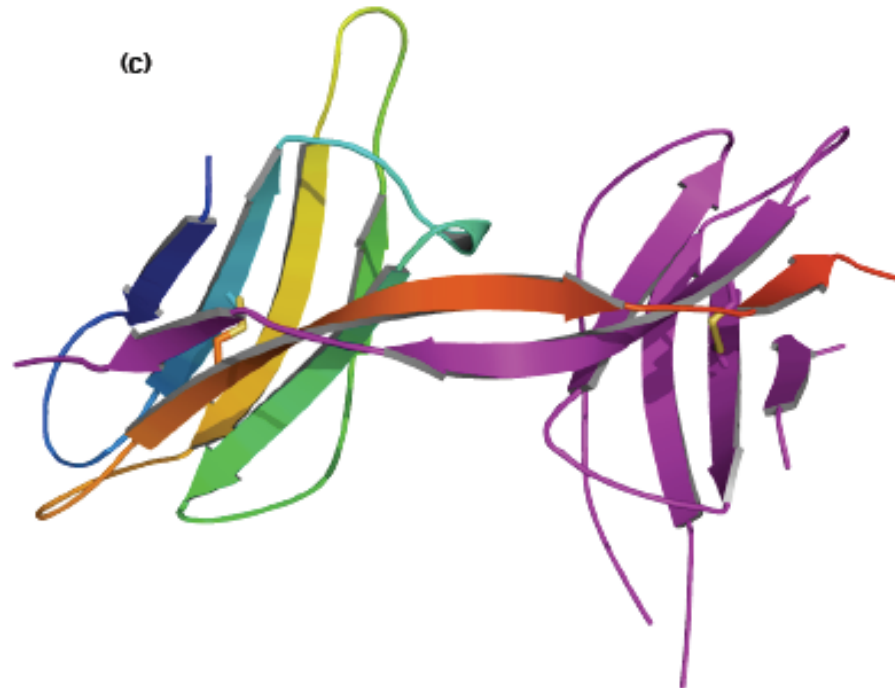


Figure 3. Primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary structure of $\beta 2m$ and $\Delta N6\beta 2m$. (a) Sequence and topology diagrams of $\beta 2m$ and domain-swapped $\Delta N6\beta 2m$. The hinge loop is included in a dashed box. (b) The tertiary structure of the $\beta 2m$ monomer (1LDS) and (c) of the quaternary structure of the domain-swapped dimer of $\Delta N6\beta 2m$ (this paper). β -strands are colored according to panel a. The single disulfide bond that bridges the two central sheets in the monomer and the swapped dimer are given in stick representation.

Conclusion

Nanobodies we have produced and characterized are usefull tool in basic and translational research

Molecular characterization of the highly toxic species $\Delta N6\beta 2$ -m was awaited by many years and finally solved in the complex with a specific nanobody

Nanobodies against $\beta 2$ -m can be exploited in preparing devices capable to clear the $\beta 2$ -m excess in haemodialysis and those specific for $\Delta N6\beta 2$ -m might have an in vivo therapeutic translation

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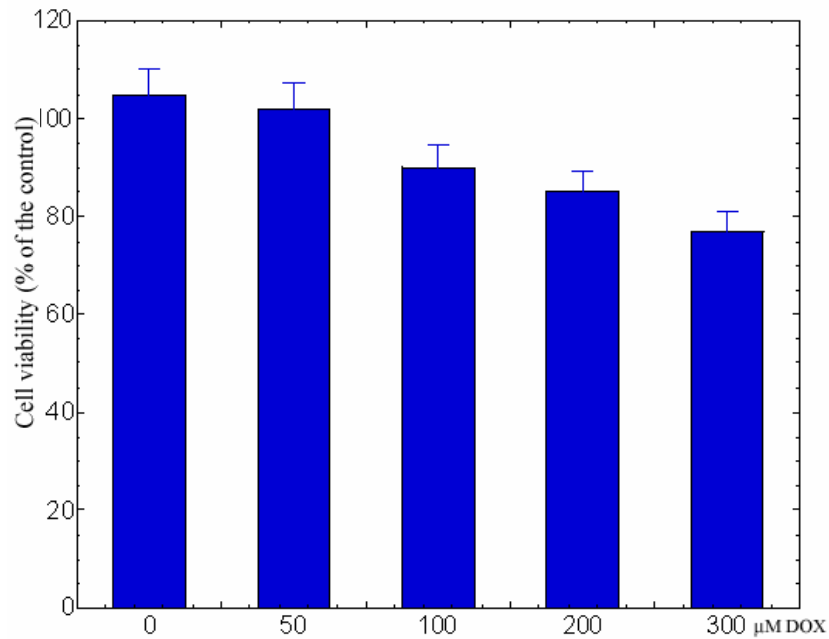
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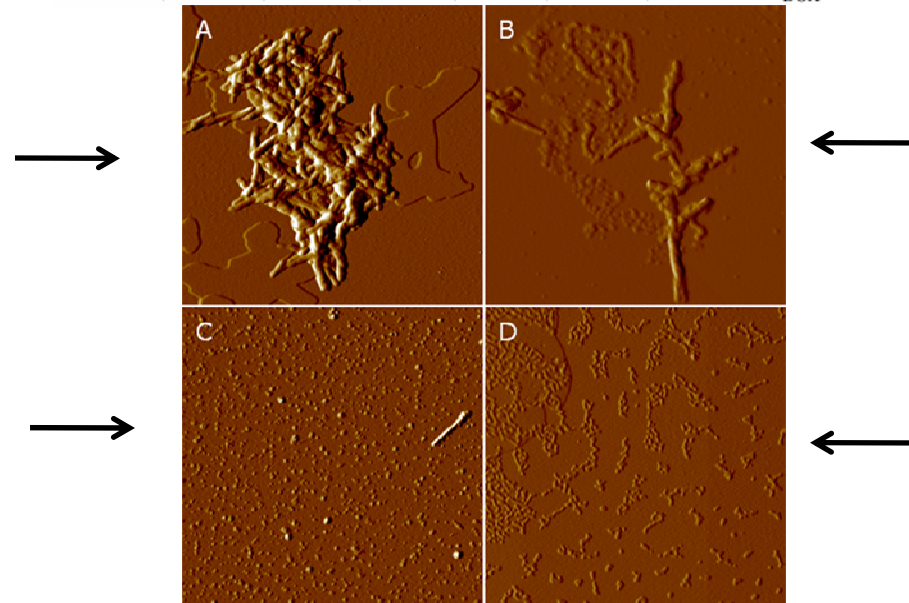
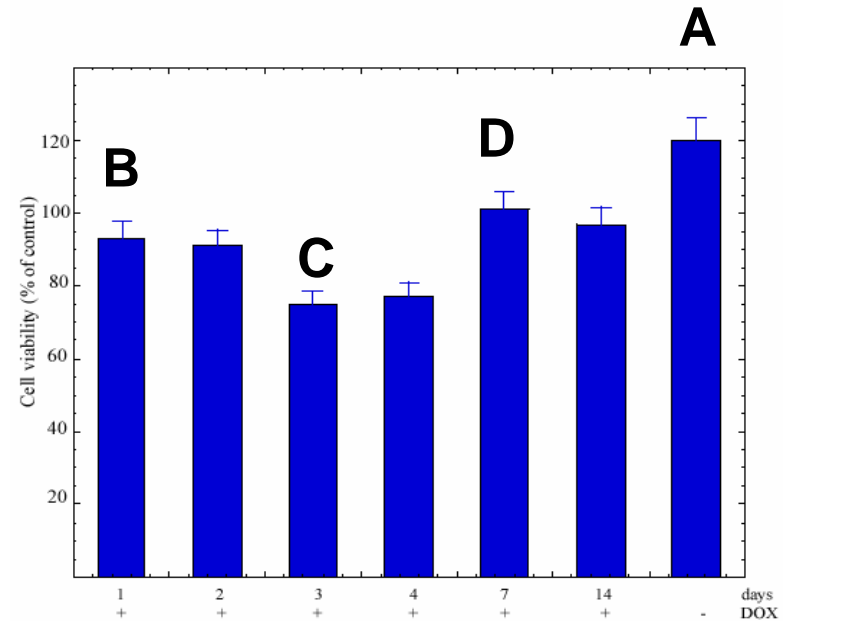
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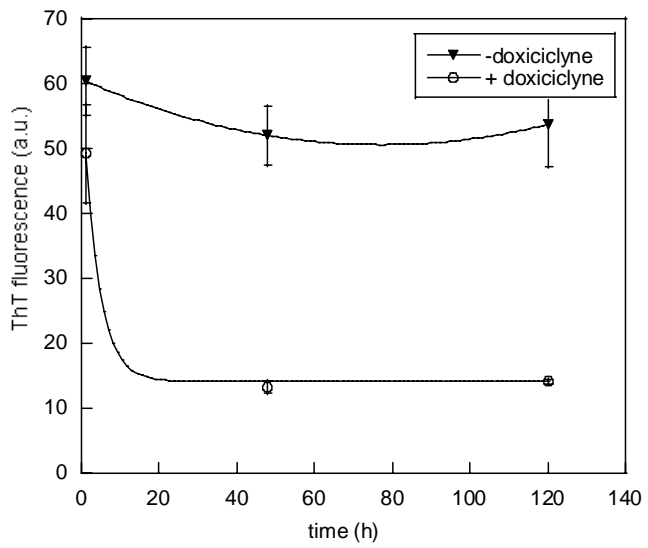
Cell viability valued on SHSY-5Y treated for 24 h with preformed fibrils of b2-m treated for 72 h with Doxycycline



Viability valued on SHSY-5Y cells exposed for 24 h to 20μM of b2-m fibrils upon their treatment for different time with Doxycycline (300μM)



"Ex vivo" fibrils



"In vitro" fibrils

