## **Supporting information**

# Discovery and Development of Potent LFA-1/ICAM-1 Antagonist SAR 1118 as an Ophthalmic Solution for Treating Dry Eye

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Scheme 1. Process chemistry route to SAR 1118<sup>a,1</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Reagents and conditions: (a) TBDMSCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, acetone, rt, 79% yield; (b) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, MeOH, rt, overnight; acetone, rt, 2 hr; 4 N aq. HCl, THF, Ar, dark, rt, overnight, 95% yield; (c) Tf<sub>2</sub>NPh, DCM, rt, 72 hr, 69% yield; (d) Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, dppp, DMF/MeOH, CO (8 bar), 70 °C, 6 hr, 91% yield; (e) LiOH, MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, rt, overnight; 1 N aq. HCl, 97% yield; (f) Boc<sub>2</sub>O, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, dioxane/H<sub>2</sub>O, rt, overnight, 98% yield; (g) NaOS(O)Me, CuI, Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, L-Proline, DMSO, 100 °C, 9 hr, 96% yield; (h) BnOH, EDCI, DMAP, DMF, rt, overnight, > 98% yield; (i) 4 N HCl in dioxane, DCM, 0 °C, overnight, 94% yield; (j) 1-chloro-2-aminoethane, NaCNBH<sub>3</sub>, MeOH, rt, overnight, 35% yield; (k) AlCl<sub>3</sub>, 185 °C, 91% yield; (l) TrCl, DIEA, DCM, rt, 4 hr, 89% yield; (m) *n*-BuLi, TMEDA, THF, -78 °C to rt; CO, -78 °C to rt, 75% yield; (n) **12**, HATU, TEA, DMF, DMF, rt, 18 hr, 70% yield; (o) 4 N HCl in dioxane, rt, 2 hr, 95% yield; (p) acid chloride of **7**, DIEA, DCM, 0 °C, 1 hr, > 98% yield; (q) 10% Pd/C, HCOOH/Et<sub>3</sub>N (5/2 (*v/v*)), MeOH/THF (5/1 (*v/v*)), rt, 4 hr, 95% yield.

### General information of SAR 1118



SAR 1118 is a white to off-white solid crystallized from methylethylketone. m.p. 154.4 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -5.0^\circ$  (c = 1% (*w/w*) in MeOH); solubility 90 µg/mL in water at 25 °C (parent); FT-IR (KBr):  $v_{max}$  3427, 3302, 3030, 2923, 1727, 1659, 1294, 1140, 826, 764 cm<sup>-1</sup>; ESI-MS: *m/z* 615.1 [M+1]<sup>+</sup>, 637.0 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, *d*<sup>6</sup>-DMSO):  $\delta$  12.90 (bs, 1H), 9.05 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (m, 4H), 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.41 (bs, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (bm, 3H), 3.63 (bm, 3H), 3.30 (m, 1H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 3.02 (m, 1H), 2.77 (m, 2H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.5 MHz, *d*<sup>6</sup>-DMSO):  $\delta$  172.1, 169.6, 163.6, 153.7, 147.8, 140.6, 125.7, 106.9, 53.1, 43.6, 36.4, 26.0 ppm; Elemental analysis: calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>24</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>S: C 56.6%, H 3.9%, N 4.6%, S 5.2%, Cl 11.5%; found C 55.1%, H 4.0%, N 4.4%, S 5.2%, Cl 11.2%.



Fig. 1. TGA analysis spectrum of SAR 1118 recorded on Netzsch Thermo-Microbalance TG 209 analyzer



Fig. 2. DSC analysis spectrum of SAR 1118 recorded on Perkin Elmer DSC 7



Fig. 3. XRPD analysis spectrum of SAR 1118 recorded on Bruker D8 Advance X-ray diffractormeter



Fig. 4. FT-IR spectrum of SAR 1118 recorded on Bruker FT-IR spectrometer IFS48



Fig. 5. ESI-MS spectrum of SAR 1118 recorded on ThermoQuest Mass spectrometer Finnigan AQA



Fig. 6. <sup>1</sup>H NMR of SAR 1118 recorded on Bruker NMR spectrometer Avance 300



Fig. 7. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of SAR 1118 recorded on Bruker NMR spectrometer Avance 300

# Detailed information of the HuT 78 T-cell adhesion assay (cell attachment assay)<sup>2</sup>

The HuT 78 T-cell adhesion assay is performed using a human T-lymphoid cell line HuT 78 (ATCC TIB-161). Goat anti-HuIgG(Fc) is diluted to 2 µg/mL in PBS and 96-well plates are coated with 50 µL/well at 37 °C for 1 hr. Plates are washed with PBS and blocked for 1 hr at rt with 1% BSA in PBS. 5 domain ICAM-Ig is diluted to 100 ng/mL in PBS and 50 µL/well was added to the plates O/N at 4 °C. HuT 78 cells are centrifuges at 100 g and the cell pellet is treated with 5 mM EDTA for 5 min at 37 °C in a 5% CO<sub>2</sub> incubator. Cells are washed in a mixture of 0.14 M NaCl, 0.02 M Hepes, 0.2% glucose and 0.1 mM MnCl<sub>2</sub> (assay buffer) and centrifuged. The cells are re-suspended in assay buffer to 3.0 x 106 c/mL. Compounds are diluted in assay buffer to a 2x final concentration and pre-incubated with HuT 78 cells for 30 min at rt. 100  $\mu$ L/well of cells and compounds are added to the plates and incubated at rt for 1 hr. 100  $\mu$ L/well PBS is added and the plates are sealed and centrifuged at 100 g for 5 min. Unattached cells are flicked out of the plate and excess PBS is blotted on a paper towel. 60 µL/well *p*-nitrophenyl *n*acetyl-β-D-glucosaminide (0.257 g to 100 mL citrate buffer) is added to the plate and incubated for 1.5 hr at 37 °C. The enzymatic reaction is stopped with the addition of 90 µL/well 50 mM glycine/5 mM EDTA and read on a plate reader at 405 nM. HuT 78 cell adhesion to 5 domain ICAM-Ig is measured using the *p*-nitrophenyl *n*-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-glucosaminide method.<sup>3</sup>

# Detailed information of the Jurkat T-cell adhesion assay (cell attachment assay)<sup>4</sup>

To evaluate the ability of SAR 1118 to inhibit the attachment of Jurkat cells to intercellular adhesion molecule (ICAM)-1 in vitro, 100 mM stock solutions of SAR 1118 and a positive control (Compound A shown below)<sup>5-6</sup> were prepared in an aqueous solution of dimethylsulfoxide (1:1 (v/v)), respectively, and then diluted by adding assay medium to achieve and maintain the desired concentration throughout the assay. The Jurkat cells were labeled with an 8 µM solution of 2',7'-bis-(2-carboxyethyl)-5-(and-6)-carboxyfluorescein in growth medium at rt for 15 min. Labeled cells were incubated in 70 µL of assay medium in each well of a 96well plate at 500,000 cells per well with 70 µL of SAR 1118 or the positive control in assay medium at 37 °C for 30 min. A 100 µL aliquot of this fluorescence-labeled Jurkat cell suspension was allowed to settle in the presence of SAR 1118 or the positive control in wells of a 96-well plate coated with recombinant human ICAM-1 expressed as an Fc chimera (R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN) at 37 °C for 1 hr. A dose titration of each test compound was run  $(10^{-11} - 10^{-6} \text{ M})$  in two separate lanes on a single plate, and the assay was replicated on a second, separate plate (Figure 8). Non-adherent cells were removed by washing and centrifugation at 100 g for 1 min. Adherent cells were quantitated as the intensity of adherent fluorescence, and the IC<sub>50</sub> values were calculated by using a standard four-parameter logistic nonlinear regression analysis of the data (GraphPad Software Inc., San Diego, CA). The reported IC<sub>50</sub> is the average of data for two plates.



Fig. 8. Titration curves of SAR 1118 and Compound A in the Jurkat T-cell adhesion assay

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