

Supplementary Table 2: Side effects of common immunosuppressant drugs

|   | human   | NHP   | mouse  | rat   | dog   | pig  | sheep   |
|---|---|---|--|---|---|--|---|
| Glucocorticoids (G Cs)<br>Dexamethasone® (DM) | skin atrophy<br>disturbed wound healing<br>osteoporosis<br>muscle atrophy/myopathy<br>cataract, glaucoma<br>diabetes mellitus<br>adrenal insufficiency<br>"steroid psychosis" (at >40 mg P×d <sup>-1</sup> for 2 weeks)<br>hypertension<br>dyslipidemia<br>reduced fibrinolysis<br>peptic ulcers<br>gastrointestinal bleeding<br>pancreatitis<br>oral candidiasis<br>infections <sup>1</sup>  | n.s.i.  | 10% mortality after 21 days at a single dose of 87.5 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> infections <sup>2</sup><br>osteoporosis <sup>3</sup>  | hypertension (at 3 mg DM·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>4</sup>   | hypertension (at 0.5 mg DM·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>4</sup>   | polydipsia / -uria<br>reversible rectal eversion<br>weight loss<br>lymphocytopenia<br>decreased albumin levels<br>weight loss in thymus and lymph nodes<br>neutrophilia (at 2-6 mg DM·kg <sup>-1</sup> ×5×weekly for 5 weeks) <sup>5</sup>   | hypertension after prenatal treatment with BM <sup>6</sup><br>fetal growth retardation after maternal administration of BM <sup>7</sup>   |
| Prednisolone® (P)                             | myelosuppression:<br>anaemia, red blood cell aplasia,<br>thrombocytopenia, pancytopenia<br>carcinogenic<br>mutagenic<br>hypersensitive reactions<br>interstitial pneumonitis<br>gastrointestinal reactions <sup>8</sup>   | n.s.i.  | anemia<br>moribund<br>splenic T-cell lymphomas<br>weight loss <sup>9</sup>   | hepatotoxicity<br>decreased blood cell counts <sup>10</sup>   | cytopenia<br>hepatotoxicity <sup>11</sup><br>myelotoxicity <sup>12</sup>  | hepatotoxicity <sup>13</sup>   | n.s.i.  |
| Cytostatic drugs                              |   |   |  |   |   |  |   |
| Cyclophosphamide® (CY)                        | common:<br>mutagenic<br>carcinotoxic<br>teratogenotoxic <sup>14</sup><br>leucopenia (reversible)<br>bone marrow suppression<br>alopecia<br>nausea and vomiting (>50 mg CY·kg <sup>-1</sup> , 65-70% of patients)<br>hemorrhagic myocardial necrosis (50 mg CY·kg <sup>-1</sup> )<br><br>rare:<br>pneumonitis<br>fibrosis<br>chest deformity <sup>15</sup>   | rhesus monkey:<br>hematopoietic recovery after 200 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup><br>cardiac toxicity <sup>16</sup><br>cynomolgus monkey:<br>anemia <sup>17</sup>  | alopecia <sup>18</sup><br>teratogen <sup>19</sup><br>mutagenic <sup>20</sup>   | mutagenic at 0.62 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> <sup>20</sup><br>loss and malformation of offspring after pre- and postimplantation exposure <sup>21</sup><br>cardiotoxic <sup>22</sup><br>teratogenic <sup>23</sup>  | lethal at 100 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup><br>reversible pancytopenia<br>gastronintestinal toxicity <sup>16</sup>  | oral and gastronintestinal toxicity: oral mucositis, ulcers in the soft palate<br>bone marrow aplasia (at 60 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> for 2 days)<br>lower spleen and intestinal weights<br>dehydration<br>sepsis<br>pneumonia<br>decreased blood iron levels <sup>24</sup><br>emesis <sup>25</sup> | in an asbestos model:<br>impaired lung function<br>decreased survival<br>increased susceptibility to bacterial pneumonia<br>enhanced fibrotic process in the lung <sup>26</sup>   |
| Methotrexate® (MTX)                           | common:<br>minor myelotoxicity<br>nephrotoxicity<br>mucositis (20% of patients), nausea and vomiting<br><br>rare:<br>ocular irritation<br>erythema and desquamation<br>pleuritis<br>reversible oligospermia <sup>27</sup>   | cynomolgus monkey:<br>diarrhea<br>vomiting<br>anemia<br>leucopenia<br>thrombocytopenia <sup>28</sup>  | at 260 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> :<br>decreased appetite and activity<br>hair loss<br>diarrhea<br>purulent, bloody stool<br>chills<br>weight loss<br>intestinal mucositis<br>66.7% mortality<br>leucopenia <sup>29</sup> | arthritis<br>nose bleeding<br>diarrhea<br>rapid body weight loss at 1.5 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> every second day <sup>30</sup>  | delayed emesis <sup>31</sup><br>gastrointestinal irritation<br>ulcerative fibronecrotic enteritis<br>bloody diarrhea<br>hepatotoxicity <sup>32</sup>  | diarrhea<br>vomiting<br>violent muscle fasciculation <sup>33</sup>   | negligible adverse effects after i.a. administration <sup>34</sup>  |
| Mycophenolate mofetil® (MMF)                  | gastrointestinal intolerance not associated with erosion <sup>35</sup>  | mutagenic <sup>35</sup>   | none at 40 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> <sup>36</sup>  | none at 40 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> <sup>36</sup>   | slight elevation of alkaline phosphatase level at 20 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup><br>gastrointestinal symptoms at 40 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> (dose related):<br>gastritis<br>diarrhea<br>anorexia   | combination therapy (Tcr, P, MMF):<br>gastric rupture<br>pneumonia<br>septic arthritis<br>toe abscess<br>diarrhea<br>decreased weight gain <sup>37</sup>   | n.s.i.  |
| Ciclosporine A® (CsA)                         | multorgan toxicity (at 1 and 5 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> p.o.)<br>infections<br>hepatotoxicity<br>interstitial pneumonia <sup>38</sup><br>hypertension<br>hypercholesterolemia<br>nephrotoxicity<br>neurotoxicity<br>disturbances in glucose metabolism<br>hirsutism<br>gum hyperplasia<br>gingivitis<br>bilirubinaemia<br>gastrointestinal hemorrhage<br>cholestatic jaundice<br>hypomagnesaemia<br>thrombosis<br>gastritis <sup>39</sup> | cynomolgus monkey:<br>at 150 mg CsA·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> p.o.:<br>pneumonia<br>15% diarrhea <sup>40</sup>  | hepatotoxicity <sup>41</sup><br>at 30 mg CsA·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> :<br>pancreatic islet injury <sup>42</sup><br>nephrotoxicity <sup>43</sup>  | at 20 mg CsA·kg <sup>-1</sup> :<br>hypotension (unrelated at 10 mg CsA·kg <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>1/44</sup><br>at 25-50 mg CsA·kg <sup>-1</sup> :<br>renal dysfunction (decreased renal inulin clearance, reduced filtration) <sup>45</sup><br>nephrotoxicity <sup>46</sup>                                     | common (at 5 mg CsA·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> ):<br>25% of the dogs showed vomiting<br>15% showed diarrhea/soft stool<br><br>rare:<br>decreased appetite/anorexia<br>infections<br>lethargy<br>nodules/cysts<br>papillomatosis<br>gingival hyperplasia<br>lymphadenopathy<br>reproductive disorders<br>neurological disorders <sup>47</sup>                       | infections (pneumonia, septic arthritis) at 40 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> <sup>48</sup>  | no toxicity on organ or skin grafts (blood levels: 3 000-8 000 ng·mL <sup>-1</sup> )<br>reversible increased bilirubin level<br>decreased albumin level<br>renal tubulus necrosis <sup>49</sup>   |
| Tacrolimus® (Tcr)                             | hypertension<br>alopecia<br>pruritis<br>diarrhea<br>disturbances in glucose metabolism<br>neurotoxicity<br>tremor<br>hypomagnesaemia<br>thrombosis<br>lymphoma<br>hirsutism<br>gum hyperplasia<br>gingivitis<br>bilirubinaemia<br>gastrointestinal hemorrhage<br>cholestatic jaundice <sup>39</sup><br>nephrotoxicity <sup>51</sup>   | baboon:<br>at 0.3 mg Tcr·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> :<br>heart/gastrointestinal toxicity (necrosis, arteritis, microvascular infarction) <sup>52</sup>   | nephrotoxicity <sup>53</sup>   | at 4 mg Tcr·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> p.o.:<br>inhibition of weight gain <sup>54</sup><br>nephrotoxicity <sup>55</sup>  | at 0.2-5 mg Tcr·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> :<br>heart/gastrointestinal toxicity (necrosis, arteritis, microvascular infarction)<br>nephrotoxicity<br>neurotoxicity<br>acinar cell degeneration in pancreas <sup>52</sup>   | nephrotoxicity <sup>51</sup>   | at 0.3 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> :<br>heart failure (necrosis smooth muscle cells in the coronary arteries, neutrophil infiltrate in the myocardium)<br>pulmonary oedema<br>cyanosis<br>tachypnea<br>no nephrotoxicity <sup>56</sup> |
| Rapamycin® (Rpm)                              | pulmonary toxicity<br>anemia<br>leukopenia<br>thrombocytopenia<br>hyperlipidemia<br>posttransplantation diabetes<br>hypophosphatemia<br>lymphedema<br>hypertension<br>acne, folliculitis<br>stomatitis and mucous membrane disorders<br>edema<br>nail and hair pathologies<br>gonadal complications<br>surgical wound complication<br>infections<br>gastrointestinal complications <sup>57</sup>  | cynomolgus monkey:<br>weight loss<br>diarrhea<br>lymphopenia<br>neutrophilia<br>no histologic abnormalities <sup>58</sup>   | diabetes <sup>59</sup><br>elevated BUN levels<br>decreased body weight<br>low nephrotoxicity (intracytoplasmic vacuolization in proximal tubules) <sup>60</sup>  | sexual hormone dysfunction<br>seminal tubule dystrophy<br>reversible spermatogenesis blockade <sup>61</sup><br><br>at 2 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> :<br>decreased food intake and concomitant weight loss<br>glucose intolerance<br>hyperinsulinaemic <sup>62</sup><br>hyperglycaemic <sup>62</sup> | pancreatitis<br>biliary duct occlusion <sup>63</sup><br><br>from a dose of 0.3 mg Rpm·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·week <sup>-1</sup> :<br>anorexia<br>diarrhea<br>bloody stool<br>decreased body weight (44% in 3 weeks)<br>increased serum amylase levels<br>mucosal necrosis and fibrinoid necrosis in the intestinal tract<br>vasculitis in heart, lung and spleen <sup>64</sup> | nephrotoxicity <sup>51</sup>   | at 0.25-0.75 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·d <sup>-1</sup> :<br>no gastrointestinal side effects<br>central congestions and ischemic necrosis in liver<br>pneumonia<br>decreased weight gain <sup>65</sup>   |
| Cell therapy                                  | possibility that Tregs convert into IL-17-producing proinflammatory cells<br>on-target toxicity<br>on-target hepatotoxicity<br>cytokine release syndrome<br>multi organ failure<br>central nervous system toxicity<br>lethal off-target toxicity by TCR cross-reactivity <sup>66</sup><br>tumor induction <sup>67</sup>   | n.s.i.  | no toxicity observed in xenogeneic GvHD model <sup>68</sup><br>lethal graft versus host disease-like phenotype by TCR mispairing <sup>69</sup><br>tumor induction <sup>67</sup>                                    | n.s.i.  | cytotoxicity<br>reversible skin erythema<br>reversible alterations in liver function:<br>AST >600 U·L <sup>-1</sup><br>AP >700 U·L <sup>-1</sup><br>increased bilirubin level <sup>70</sup>   | n.s.i.   | n.s.i.  |
| Mesenchymal stem cells (MSCs)                 | n.s.i.  | n.s.i.  | see rat  | clotting of pulmonary/ cerebral vessels after intravenous/intracarotid injection <sup>71</sup>  | potential pulmonary complications after intravenous delivery <sup>71</sup>  | n.s.i.   | n.s.i.  |
| Anti-lymphocyte globulin® (ALG)               | common:<br>fever<br>chills<br>leucopenia<br>thrombocytopenia<br>dermatologic manifestations (rashes, urticaria, pruritis, wheal, flare)<br><br>rare (<5% patients):<br>cardiovascular reactions (myocarditis, "cardiac irregularity", chest pain, hypertension, tachy- and bradycardia) <sup>72</sup>   | cynomolgus monkeys:<br>no detectable acute or chronic toxic effects <sup>73</sup>   | bone marrow toxicity:<br>50% decrease in colony-forming unit 24 hr after 1 mL i.v. ALG <sup>74</sup>   | lymphopenia <sup>75</sup><br>nephritis <sup>76</sup>  | n.s.i.  | n.s.i.   | n.s.i.  |
| Antibodies                                    | increased incidence of fever<br>hematologic abnormalities<br>cytomegalovirus infections<br>increased incidence of posttransplant lymphoproliferative disease <sup>77</sup><br>infectious complications<br>increased risk of malignancy after organ transplantation<br>decreased lymphocyte, erythrocyte, platelet and reticulocyte count <sup>78</sup>  | marked depletion of paracortical lymphocytes in spleen and mesenteric lymph nodes<br>moderate thrombocytopenia<br>decrease in peripheral lymphocyte count <sup>79</sup>   | n.s.i.   | n.s.i.  | leucopenia<br>lymphopenia<br>thrombocytopenia<br>increased serum alanine aminotransferase activity<br>no histologic changes <sup>80</sup>   | n.s.i.   | n.s.i.  |
| Rituximab® (RTB)                              | acute allergic reactions<br>infusion reactions (in >25% of patients)<br>tumor lysis syndrome<br>mucocutaneous reactions<br>progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy<br>neutropenia<br>slow recovery of B cells<br>infections<br>reactivation of hepatitis<br>intestinal perforation<br>interstitial pneumonia <sup>81</sup>   | cynomolgus monkey:<br>no adverse effects at 16.8 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> <sup>82</sup><br>at single dose of 100 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> and multiple dose of 20 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> ·week <sup>-1</sup> :<br>B cell depletion<br>lymphoid atrophy <sup>81</sup> | none at 375 mg per m <sup>2</sup> <sup>83</sup>  | n.s.i.  | n.s.i.  | n.s.i.   | n.s.i.  |
| CAMPAT H-1H® (CHH)                            | cytopenia<br>infusion reactions (cytokine release syndrome)<br>infections (bacterial, viral, fungal, protozoal infections)<br>reactivation of latent cytomegalovirus and herpes zoster infections <sup>81</sup>   | cynomolgus monkey:<br>at 1 mg·kg <sup>-1</sup> :<br>reversible lymphopenia<br>neutropenia<br>hypotension<br>immunogenic effects <sup>81</sup>   | in human-CD52 transgenic mice:<br>transient increase in serum cytokines<br>depletion of peripheral blood lymphocytes <sup>81</sup>   | n.s.i.  | n.s.i.  | n.s.i.   | n.s.i.  |

AP = alkaline phosphatase, AST = aspartate aminotransferase, BM = betamethasone, BUN = blood urea nitrogen, DM = dexamethasone, IL-2 = interleukin 2, n.s.i. = no standardized information available, TCR = T cell receptor.

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