

Supporting Information

Radioligand Therapy of Prostate Cancer with a Long-lasting PSMA

Targeting Agent ^{90}Y -DOTA-EB-MCG

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Materials and Methods

General

MCG was kindly provided by Dr. Martin Pomper at Johns Hopkins University. DOTA-maleimide was purchased from Macrocyclics (Plano, TX). Synthesis and characterization of DOTA-Maleimide-EB (DMEB) derivative was previously reported by us ¹. Purification and analysis of the conjugated MCG molecules (DOTA-MCG and DOTA-EB-MCG) was done according to the published procedure ².

Synthesis of DOTA-MCG and EB-DOTA-MCG

MCG (1.05 eq.) was dissolved in 0.1 mL H₂O and added to either DOTA-Maleimide DOTA-Maleimide-EB (1eq) in 0.5 mL in 0.1% Na-ascorbate (w/v) in PBS. The reaction was stirred for 1-2 h at room temperature and purified by HPLC to give the desired conjugated products in a chemical purity >95% and a yield of 70-75%. LC-MS analysis confirmed mass of 819.2 [M-H]⁻ for DOTA-MCG and 1501.5 [M-H]⁻ for DOTA-EB-MCG.

Radioisotope Labeling

⁸⁶YCl₃ was purchased from NIH Cyclotron Facility. ⁹⁰YCl₃ was purchased from Perkin-Elmer. 10 μL (185-370 MBq) of ⁸⁶YCl₃ (370 MBq) and/or ⁹⁰YCl₃ were diluted with 0.5 mL 0.4 M ammonium acetate pH 5.6. Then 100 μg of either DOTA-EB-MCG or DOTA-MCG in 10 μL of H₂O was added and the reaction mixed for 20 min at 80°C. Purity of the products was assayed by radio-TLC (AR-2000 Bioscan scanner), using iTLC plates (Fisher) and 0.1 M Citric acid pH 5 as the developing solvent for ^{86/90}Y-DOTA-EB-MCG and normal phase plates and 2% EDTA/NH₄OAc (10% w/v) for ^{86/90}Y-DOTA-MCG. R_f of free ^{86/90}Y ~ 0.9; R_f of ^{86/90}Y-DOTA-

EB-MCG and $^{86/90}\text{Y}$ -DOTA-MCG ~ 0.1 . A radiochemical yield of greater than 95% was achieved for both compounds with specific activities of 68-75mCi/ μmol .

Table S1. Hematologic analysis of blood samples from untreated mice and mice treated with 7.4 MBq of ^{90}Y -DOTA-MCG (n=3)

	^{90}Y -DOTA-EB-MCG (7.4 MBq)	Control
WBC ($10^9/\text{L}$)	3.2 ± 0.5	3.3 ± 0.7
RBC ($10^{12}/\text{L}$)	9.3 ± 0.4	9.1 ± 0.7
Hemoglobin (g/L)	118.9 ± 10.9	127.8 ± 13.6
Platelets ($10^9/\text{L}$)	896.3 ± 192.1	932.6 ± 154.3
MCV (fL)	52.1 ± 2.3	50.8 ± 4.1
LYM # ($10^9/\text{L}$)	1.8 ± 0.2	1.6 ± 0.3
MID # ($10^9/\text{L}$)	1.2 ± 0.2	1.3 ± 0.3
GRAN # ($10^9/\text{L}$)	4.5 ± 0.4	5.7 ± 0.8
LYM (%)	47.8 ± 9.3	53.2 ± 8.7
MID (%)	6.8 ± 1.2	6.5 ± 0.7
GRAN (%)	51.2 ± 8.9	53.2 ± 10.6

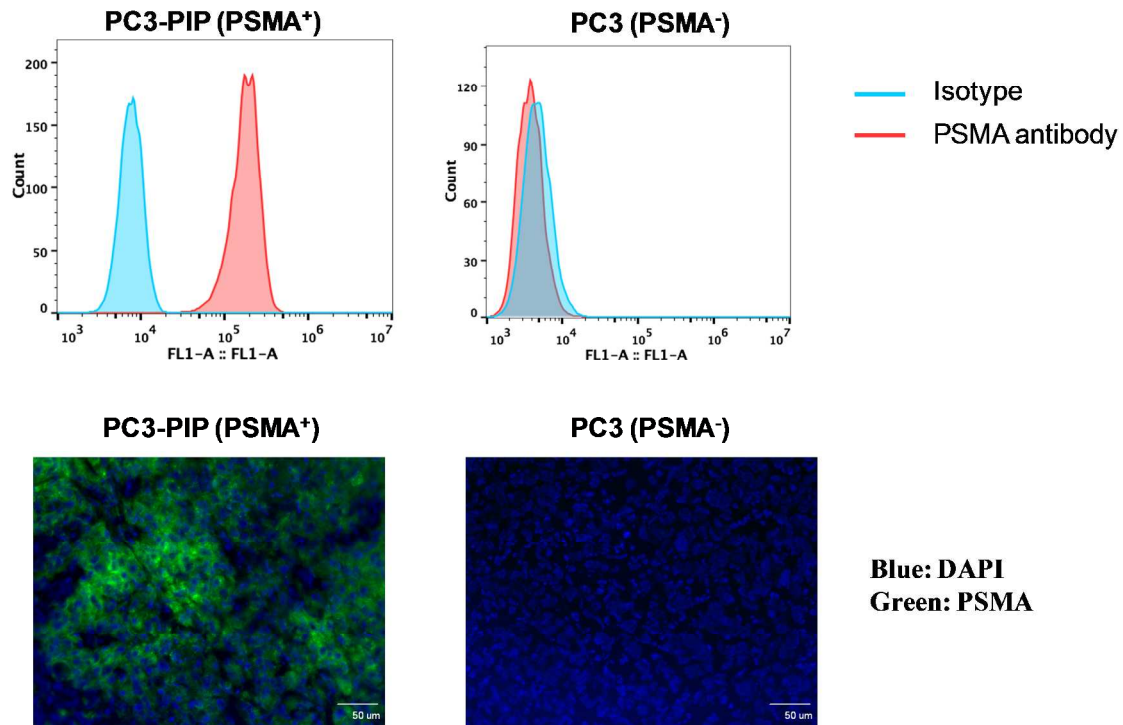


Figure S1. Flowcytometry of PMSA positive PC3-PIP and PMSA negative PC3 cells using antibody against PSMA. Immunofluorescence staining of tumor sections originated from PC3-PIP and PC3 cells.

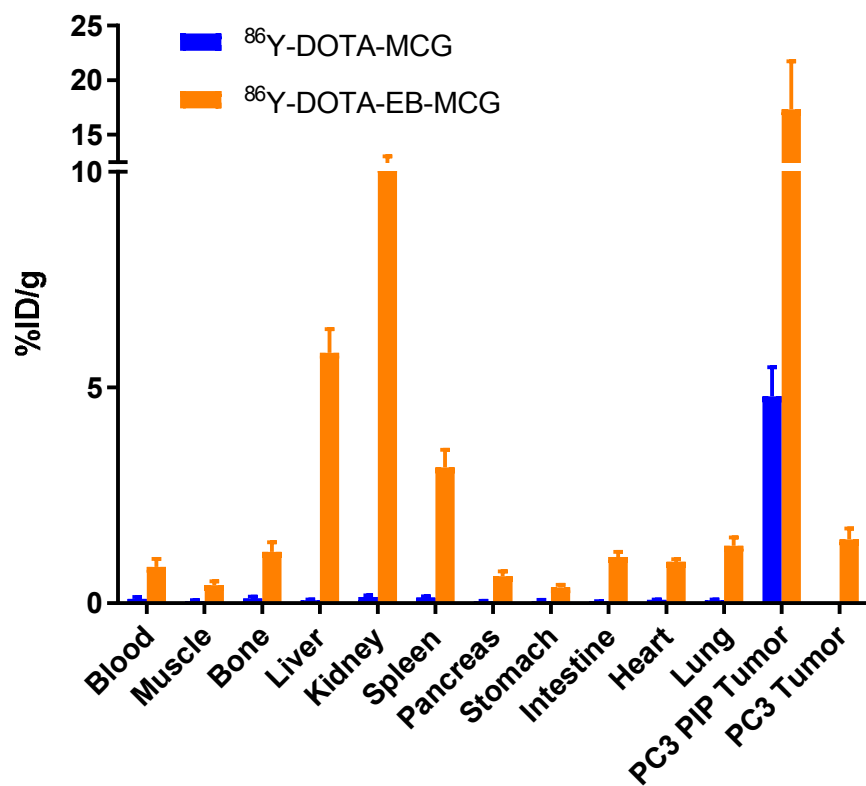


Figure S2. Biodistribution of ^{86}Y -DOTA-MCG and ^{86}Y -EB-DOTA-MCG in normal organs and PSMA positive/negative tumors at 48 hr p.i..

Table S2. PET quantification of tumor, muscle and liver at different time points for ^{86}Y -DOTA-MCG and ^{86}Y -EB-DOTA-MCG.

		1 h	4 h	24 h	48 h
DOTA-MCG	Tumor	17.05±3.17	16.26±3.54	10.94±1.47	0.34±0.06
	Muscle	0.51±0.04	0.25±0.01	0.04±0.01	0.05±0.02
	Liver	0.48±0.01	0.15±0.007	0.08±0.01	0.07±0.01
DOTA-EB-MCG	Tumor	22.03±2.29	32.11±4.15	39.87±4.64	34.42±3.22
	Muscle	3.37±0.29	2.27±0.09	1.24±0.16	1.26±0.12
	Liver	8.51±0.18	7.22±0.37	6.55±0.27	6.28±0.26

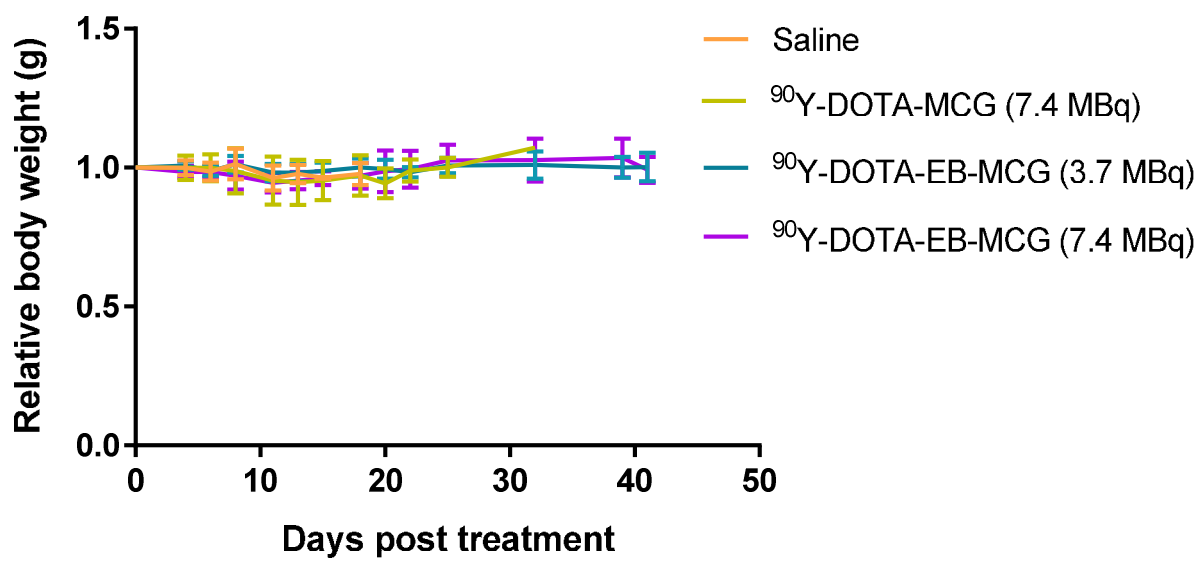


Figure S3. Changes of body weight of PC3 PIP tumor bearing mice after radioligand treatment.

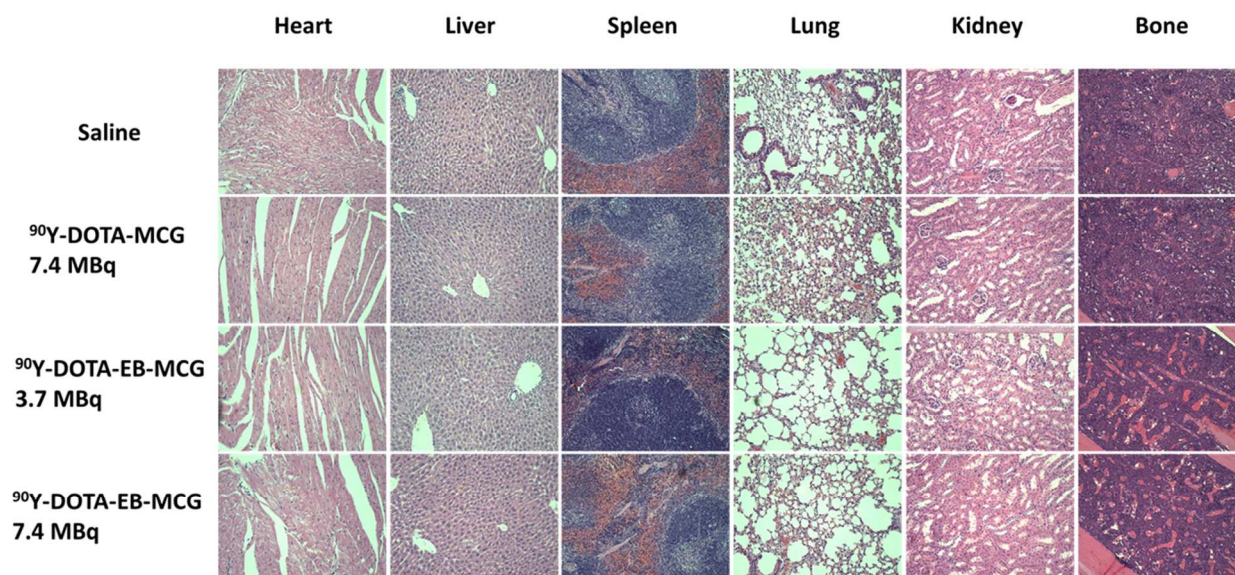


Figure S4. H&E staining of tissue sections from mice treated with saline, 7.4 MBq of ^{90}Y -DOTA-MCG, 3.7 MBq of ^{90}Y -DOTA-EB-MCG and 7.4 MBq of ^{90}Y -DOTA-EB-MCG.

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