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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides methods of preparing a cell-binding agent-cytotoxic agent conjugate comprising a cell-binding agent (CysCBA) having one or more unpaired cysteine residues covalently linked to a cytotoxic agent. Also provided are conjugates prepared by the methods described herein and pharmaceutical composition and methods of use thereof.