

ANTI-N3pGlu AMYLOID BETA PEPTIDE ANTIBODIES AND USES THEREOF

The present invention relates to treatment of a disease with anti-N3pGlu A β antibodies, wherein the disease is characterized by deposition of Amyloid Beta (A β) in a patient. More specifically, the present invention relates to a short term induction treatment with N3pGlu A β antibodies of a disease characterized by deposition of A β in the brain, including Alzheimer's disease (AD), Down's syndrome, and cerebral amyloid angiopathy (CAA).

The deposits found in plaques of human patients are comprised of a heterogeneous mixture of A β peptides. N3pGlu A β , also referred to as N3pE A β , A β pE3-42, or A β _{p3-42}, is a truncated form of A β peptide and is found only in plaques. N3pGlu A β lacks the first two amino acid residues at the N-terminus of human A β and has a pyroglutamate which was derived from the glutamic acid at the third amino acid position. Although N3pGlu A β peptide is a minor component of the deposited A β in the brain, studies have demonstrated that N3pGlu A β peptide has aggressive aggregation properties and accumulates early in the deposition cascade.

Antibodies to N3pGlu A β are known in the art. For example, U.S. Patent Number 8,679,498 discloses anti-N3pGlu A β antibodies and methods of treating diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, with the antibodies. Passive immunization by long term chronic administration of antibodies against the A β , including N3pGlu A β , found in deposits has been shown to disrupt the A β aggregates and promote the clearance of plaques in the brain in various animal models. However, in humans long term chronic administration of A β antibodies has led to adverse events that include amyloid-related imaging abnormalities (ARIA), suggestive of vasogenic edema and sulcal effusions (ARIA-E), as well as microhaemorrhages and haemosiderin deposits (ARIA-H) as well as infusion site reactions and risk of immunogenicity. See Piazza and Winblad, "Amyloid-Related Imaging Abnormalities (ARIA) in Immunotherapy Trials for Alzheimer's Disease: Need for Prognostic Biomarkers?" Journal of Alzheimer's Disease, 52 (2016) 417-420.

Summary

In one aspect of the present disclosure, there is provided a use of an anti-N3pGlu A β antibody in the manufacture of a medicament for treating or preventing the progression of a disease characterized by amyloid beta (A β) deposits in the brain of a patient, wherein an induction dose of 10 to 60 mg/kg for a period of 6 months or less is to be administered to the patient, and wherein the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody comprises a light chain variable region (LCVR) and a

heavy chain variable region (HCVR), wherein said LCVR and HCVR are selected from the group consisting of:

- 5 a) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 25 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 26;
 b) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 25 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 27;
 c) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 32 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 34;
 d) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 9 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 8; and
 e) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 10 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 8.

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WE CLAIM:

- 5 1. Use of an anti-N3pGlu A β antibody in the manufacture of a medicament for treating or preventing the progression of a disease characterized by amyloid beta (A β) deposits in the brain of a patient, wherein an induction dose of 10 to 60 mg/kg for a period of 6 months or less is to be administered to the patient,

and wherein the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody comprises a light chain variable region (LCVR) and a heavy chain variable region (HCVR), wherein said LCVR and HCVR are selected from

5 the group consisting of:

- a) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 25 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 26;
- b) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 25 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 27;
- c) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 32 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 34;
- d) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 9 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 8; and
- 10 e) LCVR of SEQ ID NO: 10 and HCVR of SEQ ID NO: 8.

2. The use according to claim 1, wherein the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody comprises a light chain (LC) and a heavy chain (HC), wherein said LC and HC are selected from the group consisting of:

- 15 a) LC of SEQ ID NO: 28 and HC of SEQ ID NO: 29;
- b) LC of SEQ ID NO: 28 and HC of SEQ ID NO: 30;
- c) LC of SEQ ID NO: 33 and HC of SEQ ID NO: 35;
- d) LC of SEQ ID NO: 12 and HC of SEQ ID NO: 11; and
- 20 e) LC of SEQ ID NO: 13 and HC of SEQ ID NO: 11.

3. The use according to claim 2, wherein the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody comprises a light chain (LC) of SEQ ID NO: 28 and a heavy chain (HC) of SEQ ID NO: 29.

4. The use according to claim 1, wherein the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody is to be administered one-time.
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5. The use according to claim 1, wherein the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody is to be administered every two weeks for a period of 6 months.
6. The use according to claim 1, wherein the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody is to be administered monthly for a period of 6 months.
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7. The use according to claim 1, wherein the disease characterized by A β deposit in the brain of a patient is selected from preclinical or clinical Alzheimer's disease, Down's syndrome, and clinical or pre-clinical cerebral amyloid angiopathy.
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8. The use according to claim 1, wherein the disease characterized by A β deposit in the brain of a patient is selected from preclinical AD, prodromal AD, mild AD, moderate AD and severe AD.
9. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose of the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody to be administered to the patient is 10 to 40 mg/kg.
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10. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose of the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody to be administered to the patient is 10 to 20 mg/kg.
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11. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose of the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody to be administered to the patient is 15 to 30 mg/kg.
12. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose of the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody to be administered to the patient is selected from 10 mg/kg, 15 mg/kg, 20 mg/kg and 40 mg/kg.
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13. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose of the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody to be administered to the patient is 10 mg/kg.
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14. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose of the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody to be administered to the patient is 20 mg/kg.
15. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose of the anti-N3pGlu A β antibody to be administered to the patient is 40 mg/kg.
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16. The use according to claim 1, wherein the induction dose which is to be administered to the patient is to be followed by a maintenance dose with the same anti-N3pGlu A β antibody every 2, 3, 5 or 10 years post completion of the induction dose treatment.
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