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(54) Title: NOVEL PEPTIDES			
(57) Abstract Oligopeptides which comprise amino acid sequences that are recognized and proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen (PSA) are described. Also described are assays which comprise such oligopeptides useful for determining free PSA protease activity <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i> . Therapeutic agents which comprise conjugates of such oligopeptides and known cytotoxic agents are also described.			

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION**NOVEL PEPTIDES****RELATED APPLICATION**

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The present patent application is a Continuation-in-Part application of copending application Serial No. 08/404,833, filed March 15, 1995, which itself is a Continuation-in-Part application of copending application Serial No. 08/267,092, filed June 28, 1994.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

In 1994 cancer of the prostate gland is expected to be diagnosed in 200,000 men in the U.S. and 38,000 American males will die from this disease (Garnick, M.B. (1994). The Dilemmas of Prostate Cancer. Scientific American, April:72-81). Thus, prostate cancer is the most frequently diagnosed malignancy (other than that of the skin) in U.S. men and the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths (behind lung cancer) in that group.

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Prostate specific Antigen (PSA) is a single chain 33 kDa glycoprotein that is produced almost exclusively by the human prostate epithelium and occurs at levels of 0.5 to 2.0 mg/ml in human seminal fluid (Nadji, M., Taber, S.Z., Castro, A., et al. (1981) Cancer 48:1229; Papsidero, L., Kuriyama, M., Wang, M., et al. (1981). JNCI 66:37; Qui, S.D., Young, C.Y.F., Bihartz, D.L., et al. (1990), J. Urol. 144:1550; Wang, M.C., Valenzuela, L.A., Murphy, G.P., et al. (1979). Invest. Urol. 17:159). The single carbohydrate unit is attached at asparagine residue number 45 and accounts for 2 to 3 kDa of the total molecular mass. PSA is a protease with chymotrypsin-like specificity (Christensson, A., Laurell, C.B., Lilja, H. (1990). Eur. J. Biochem. 194:755-763). It has been shown that PSA is mainly responsible for dissolution of the gel structure formed at ejaculation by proteolysis of the major proteins in the sperm entrapping gel, Semenogelin I and Semenogelin II, and fibronectin (Lilja, H. (1985). J. Clin. Invest. 76:1899; Lilja, H., Oldbring, J., Rannevik, G., et al. (1987). J. Clin. Invest. 80:281; McGee, R.S., Herr, J.C. (1988). Biol. Reprod. 39:499).

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The PSA mediated proteolysis of the gel-forming proteins generates several soluble Semenogelin I and Semenogelin II fragments and soluble fibronectin fragments with liquefaction of the ejaculate and release of progressively motile spermatozoa (Lilja, H., Laurell, C.B. (1984). Scand. J. Clin. Lab. Invest. 44:447; McGee, R.S., Herr, J.C. (1987). Biol. Reprod. 37:431). Furthermore, PSA may proteolytically degrade IGFBP-3 (insulin-like growth factor binding protein 3) allowing IGF to stimulate specifically the growth of PSA secreting cells (Cohen et al., (1992) J. Clin. Endo. & Meta. 75:1046-1053).

PSA complexed to alpha 1 - antichymotrypsin is the predominant molecular form of serum PSA and may account for up to 95% of the detected serum PSA (Christensson, A., Björk, T., Nilsson, O., et al. (1993). J. Urol. 150:100-105; Lilja, H., Christensson, A., Dahlén, U. (1991). Clin. Chem. 37:1618-1625; Stenman, U.H., Leinoven, J., Alfthan, H., et al. (1991). Cancer Res. 51:222-226). The prostatic tissue (normal, benign hyperplastic, or malignant tissue) is implicated to predominantly release the mature, enzymatically active form of PSA, as this form is required for complex formation with alpha 1 - antichymotrypsin (Mast, A.E., Enghild, J.J., Pizzo, S.V., et al. (1991). Biochemistry 30:1723-1730; Perlmutter, D.H., Glover, G.I., Rivetna, M., et al. (1990). Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 87:3753-3757). Therefore, in the microenvironment of prostatic PSA secreting cells the PSA is believed to be processed and secreted in its mature enzymatically active form not complexed to any inhibitory molecule. PSA also forms stable complexes with alpha 2 - macroglobulin, but as this results in encapsulation of PSA and complete loss of the PSA epitopes, the in vivo significance of this complex formation is unclear. A free, noncomplexed form of PSA constitutes a minor fraction of the serum PSA (Christensson, A., Björk, T., Nilsson, O., et al. (1993). J. Urol. 150:100-105; Lilja, H., Christensson, A., Dahlén, U. (1991). Clin. Chem. 37:1618-1625). The size of this form of serum PSA is similar to that of PSA in seminal fluid (Lilja, H., Christensson, A., Dahlén, U. (1991). Clin. Chem. 37:1618-1625) but it is yet unknown as to whether the free form of serum PSA may be a zymogen; an internally cleaved, inactive

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form of mature PSA; or PSA manifesting enzyme activity. However, it seems unlikely that the free form of serum PSA manifests enzyme activity, since there is considerable (100 to 1000 fold) molar excess of both unreacted alpha 1 - antichymotrypsin and alpha 2 - macroglobulin in serum as compared with the detected serum levels of the free 33 kDa form of PSA (Christensson, A., Björk, T., Nilsson, O., et al. (1993). J. Urol. 150:100-105; Lilja, H., Christensson, A., Dahlén, U. (1991). Clin. Chem. 37:1618-1625).

Serum measurements of PSA are useful for monitoring the treatment of adenocarcinoma of the prostate (Duffy, M.S. (1989). Ann. Clin. Biochem. 26:379-387; Brawer, M.K. and Lange, P.H. (1989). Urol. Suppl. 5:11-16; Hara, M. and Kimura, H. (1989). J. Lab. Clin. Med. 113:541-548), although above normal serum concentrations of PSA have also been reported in benign prostatic hyperplasia and subsequent to surgical trauma of the prostate (Lilja, H., Christensson, A., Dahlén, U. (1991). Clin. Chem. 37:1618-1625). Prostate metastases are also known to secrete immunologically reactive PSA since serum PSA is detectable at high levels in prostatectomized patients showing widespread metastatic prostate cancer (Ford, T.F., Butcher, D.N., Masters, R.W., et al. (1985). Brit. J. Urology 57:50-55). Therefore, a cytotoxic compound that could be activated by the proteolytic activity of PSA should be prostate cell specific as well as specific for PSA secreting prostate metastases.

Accordingly, it is the object of this invention to provide novel oligopeptides which selectively are enzymatically cleaved by active free prostate specific antigen (PSA).

It is also the object of this invention to provide a quantitative assay for enzymatically active PSA which incorporates those novel oligopeptides.

It is further the object of this invention to provide a novel anti-cancer composition useful for the treatment of prostate cancer which comprises those novel oligopeptides in conjugation with a cytotoxic agent.

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Another object of this invention is to provide a method of treating prostate cancer which comprises administration of novel anti-cancer composition.

5 SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The several points of cleavage where semenogelin I is selectively proteolytically cleaved by free PSA have been identified. Oligopeptides which comprise the amino acid sequences that are
10 recognized and proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen (PSA) are described. Such oligopeptides are useful in assays which can determine the free PSA protease activity in vitro and in vivo. Furthermore, such oligopeptides may be incorporated into therapeutic agents which comprise conjugates of such oligopeptides and known
15 cytotoxic agents and which are useful in the treatment of prostatic cancer.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

20 FIGURES 1a and 1b: *Primary Amino Acid Sequence of Semenogelin I:* The primary amino acid sequence of Semenogelin I is shown. (SEQ.ID.NO.: 1) The PSA proteolytic cleavage sites ("CS") are shown (numbered in order of the relative affinity of a site towards PSA hydrolysis) and the protein fragments are numbered sequentially starting
25 at the amino terminus.

FIGURE 2: *Cleavage Affinity of Synthetic Oligopeptides:*
A nested set of synthetic oligopeptides was prepared and the oligopeptides were digested with enzymatically active free PSA for various times. The results are shown in Table 2. ND = not determined.
30 The single letter code for amino acids is used: A=Ala, E=Glu, G=Gly, H=His, I=Ile, K=Lys, L=Leu, N=Asn, Q=Gln, R=Arg, S=Ser, T=Thr, Y=Tyr.

FIGURES 3a and 3b: *Cleavage Affinity of Synthetic Oligopeptides:*

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Synthetic oligopeptides were prepared and the oligopeptides were digested with enzymatically active free PSA for four (4) hours. The percentage of the oligopeptide that is cleaved in this period of time is listed. The results are shown in Table 4.

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FIGURE 4: Cytotoxicity Data of Non-cleavable Oligopeptide-Doxorubicin Conjugates:

The data of the figure shows comparative cytotoxicity of doxorubicin and a conjugate of doxorubicin covalently bound to an oligopeptide (Compound 12d) that does not contain the free PSA proteolytic cleavage site. The IC₅₀ for doxorubicin is 0.3 μ M, while the acetylated oligopeptide modified doxorubicin has an IC₅₀ that has been reduced by greater than 300 fold. This conjugate had no HPLC detectable contamination with unmodified doxorubicin. The oligopeptide alone had no detectable cell killing activity.

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FIGURE 5: Cleavage Affinity of Oligopeptides in Conjugation with Doxorubicin by Free PSA In Vitro:

Oligopeptides-doxorubicin conjugates were prepared and the conjugates were digested with enzymatically active free PSA for four (4) hours. The percentage conjugate that is enzymatically cleaved in the oligopeptide in this period of time is listed. The results are shown in Table 5.

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FIGURE 6: Cleavage Affinity of Oligopeptides in Conjugation with Doxorubicin in Cell Conditioned Media:

Oligopeptides-doxorubicin conjugates were reacted for four (4) hours with cell culture media that had been conditioned by exposure to LNCaP cells (which are known to secrete free PSA) or DuPRO cell (which do not secrete free PSA). The percentage conjugate that is enzymatically cleaved in the oligopeptide in this period of time is listed. The results are shown in Table 6.

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FIGURE 7: Cytotoxicity Data of Cleavable Oligopeptide-Doxorubicin Conjugates:

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The data in Table 7 shows cytotoxicity (as IC₅₀) of conjugates of doxorubicin covalently bound to an oligopeptide that contain a free PSA proteolytic cleavage site against a cancer cell line that is known to secrete free PSA. Also shown for selected conjugates is the cytotoxicity of the conjugate against a cell line (DuPRO) which does not secrete free PSA.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to novel oligopeptides which are specifically recognized by the free prostate specific antigen (PSA) and are capable of being proteolytically cleaved by the enzymatic activity of the free prostate specific antigen. Such oligopeptides include oligomers that comprise an amino acid sequence selected from:

- a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 13),
- b) LysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 14),
- c) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnXaaSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 15),
- d) GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyr|SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 2),
- e) AsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 127),
- f) AsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 128),
- g) SerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 129);
- h) LysTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 140); and
- i) hArgTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 141);

wherein hArg is homoarginine and Xaa is any natural amino acid.

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In an embodiment of the instant invention, the oligopeptides include oligomers that comprise an amino acid sequence that is selected from:

- 5 a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 16),
- b) AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnSerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 130),
- 10 c) AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnSerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 17),
- d) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnSerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 18),
- e) LysIleSerTyrGlnSerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 19),
- 15 f) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 4),
- g) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 5),
- 20 h) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyrSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 131),
- i) AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGlnSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 132),
- 25 j) SerTyrGlnSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 133),
- k) SerTyrGlnSerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 134),
- 30 l) LysTyrGlnSerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 142),
- m) hArgTyrGlnSerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 143), and
- n) SerTyrGlnSerSerLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 135).

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In a more preferred embodiment of the instant invention, the oligopeptides include oligomers that comprise an amino acid sequence that is selected from:

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a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIleSerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 10),

b) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIleSerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 136),

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c) AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIleSerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 3),

d) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIleSerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11),

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e) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyrIleSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 4),

f) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyrIleSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 137),

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g) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyrIleSerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 138),

h) AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGlnIleSerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 139),

i) AlaSerTyrGlnIleSerSerLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 94).

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In a further embodiment of the instant invention, the oligopeptides include oligomers that comprise an amino acid sequence that is selected from:

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a) GlyArgLysAlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIleSerSerSerThrGluGluArgArg
LeuHisTyr GlyGluAsnGly (SEQ.ID.NO.: 6).

The phrase "oligomers that comprise an amino acid sequence" as used hereinabove, and elsewhere in the Detailed Description of the Invention, describes oligomers of from about 6 to

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about 100 amino acids residues which include in their amino acid sequence the specific amino acid sequence described and which are therefore proteolytically cleaved within the amino acid sequence described by free PSA. Thus, for example, the following oligomer:
5 GlnLeuAspAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerSerThrHisGlnSerSer
(SEQ.ID.NO.: 20)

comprises the amino acid sequence:

AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.:10) and would therefore come within the instant invention. It is understood that such
10 oligomers do not include semenogelin I and semenogelin II.

It is also understood that the instant invention includes oligomers wherein the N-terminus amino acid or the C-terminus amino acid, or both terminus amino acids are modified. Such modifications include, but are not limited to, acylation of the amine group at the N-terminus and formation of an amide to replace the carboxylic acid at the
15 C-terminus. Addition of such moieties may be performed during solid-phase synthesis of the oligomer; thus, attachment of the C-terminus amino acid to a solid phase resin may be through an amine which results in an amide moiety upon acidic cleavage of the oligomer from the resin.
20 Thus the following compounds are considered "oligomers that comprise an amino acid sequence" as used hereinabove and are meant to be illustrative and are not limiting:

25 AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerSerThrLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 70)

Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerSerThrLeu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 70)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 73)
30 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerLysThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 74)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 75)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerSerGlnThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 78)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerAlaLysThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.:79)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGlnI SerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 81)

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- Ac-AlaAsnLysSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 82)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 84)
 5 Ac-AlaAsnGluIleSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 85)
 Ac-AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 16)
 Ac-LysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 86)
 Ac-SerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 87)
 Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 89)
 10 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 92)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 93)
 Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerLeu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 94)
 Ac-AlaAsnSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 95)
 Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 96)
 Ac-SerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 97)
 15 Ac-AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerCys-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 98)

A person of ordinary skill in the peptide chemistry art would readily appreciate that certain amino acids in a biologically active
 20 oligopeptide may be replaced by other homologous, isosteric and/or
 isoelectronic amino acids wherein the biological activity of the original
 oligopeptide has been conserved in the modified oligopeptide. The
 following list of amino acid replacements is meant to be illustrative and is
 not limiting:

25	<u>Original Amino Acid</u>	<u>Replacement Amino Acid(s)</u>
	Ala	Gly
	Arg	Lys, Ornithine
	Asn	Gln
	Asp	Glu
30	Glu	Asp
	Gln	Asn
	Gly	Ala
	Ile	Val, Leu, Met, Nle
	Leu	Ile, Val, Met, Nle

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	Lys	Arg, Ornithine
	Met	Leu, Ile, Nle, Val
	Ornithine	Lys, Arg
	Phe	Tyr, Trp
5	Ser	Thr
	Thr	Ser
	Trp	Phe, Tyr
	Tyr	Phe, Trp
10	Val	Leu, Ile, Met, Nle

Thus, for example, the following oligopeptides may be synthesized by techniques well known to persons of ordinary skill in the art and would be expected to be proteolytically cleaved by free PSA:

- 15 AsnArgIleSerTyrGlnIser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 21)
 AsnLysValSerTyrGlnIser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 22)
 AsnLysMetSerTyrGlnIserSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 23)
 AsnLysLeuSerTyrGlnIserSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 24)
 20 AsnLysIleThrTyrGlnIserSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 25)
 AsnLysIleSerPheGlnIserSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 26)
 AsnLysIleSerTrpGlnIserSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 27)
 AsnLysIleSerTyrAsnIserSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 28)
 AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIthrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 29)
 25 AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 30)
 GlnLysIleSerTyrGlnIserSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 31)
 AsnArgIleThrTyrGlnIserSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 32)
 AsnArgIleSerPheGlnIserSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 33)
 AsnArgIleSerTrpGlnIserSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 35)
 30 AsnArgIleSerTyrGlnIthrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 36)
 AsnLysIleThrTyrGlnIthrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 37)
 AsnLysLeuSerTyrGlnIthrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 38)
 GlnLysLeuSerTyrGlnIserSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 39)
 AsnArgLeuSerTyrGlnIthrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 40)
 AsnLysValSerPheGlnIserSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 41)

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AsnArgValSerTrpGlnSerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 42)

GlnLysValSerTyrGlnSerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 43)

GlnLysIleSerTyrGlnThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 34)

AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnSerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 44)

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Similarly, the following oligopeptides may be synthesized by techniques well known to persons of ordinary skill in the art and would be expected to be proteolytically cleaved by free PSA:

10 GlyGluGlnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 45),

GlyGluAsnGlyLeuGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 47),

15 GlyGluAsnGlyValAsnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 48),

GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnArgAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 49),

GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnLysSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 50),

20 GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspLeuSerGlnThrSerIleTyrSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 51),

GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIlePheSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 52),

25 GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspMetSerGlnSerSerIleTyrThrGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 53),

GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyrThrGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 54),

GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyrSerGlnSerGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 55),

30 GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyrSerAsnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 56),

GlyLysAlaIleSerSerGlnTyrSerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 57),

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GlyArgGlyIleSerSerGlnTyrI SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
59),
GlyLysGlyIleThrSerGlnTyrI SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
60),
5 GlyLysGlyIleSerThrGlnTyrI SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
61),
GlyLysGlyIleSerSerAsnTyrI SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
62),
10 AlaLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyrI SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
63),
GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnPheI SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
64),
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15 GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyrI SerAsnSerGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
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GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyrI SerAsnThrAspGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.:
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and the like.

20 The inclusion of the symbol "I" within an amino acid
sequence indicates the point within that sequence where the oligopeptide
is proteolytically cleaved by free PSA.

The invention also concerns a method for assaying
25 proteolytic free PSA activity in a composition. This is an important
aspect of the invention in that such an assay system provides one with the
ability to measure quantitatively the amount of free PSA present in
certain physiological fluids and tissues. Such an assay will also provide
not only the ability to follow isolation and purification of free PSA, but
also is a basis for a screening assay for inhibitors of the proteolytic
30 activity of free PSA. The assay method generally includes simply
determining the ability of a composition suspected of containing
enzymatically active free PSA to proteolytically cleave the oligopeptide.

Typically, the assay protocol is carried out using one of the
oligopeptides described hereinabove. However, one may find a particular

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benefit in construction of an assay wherein the oligopeptide containing the cleavage site is labeled so that one can measure the appearance of such a label, for example, a radioactive label, in both the uncleaved oligopeptide and the portion of the oligopeptide remaining after cleavage which contains the label.

The instant invention further relates to a method for identifying compounds (hereinafter referred to as candidate compounds) that will inhibit the proteolytic activity of free PSA. It is contemplated that this screening technique will prove useful in the general identification of any candidate compound that will serve such as an inhibitory purpose, whether or not the candidate compound is proteinaceous or peptidyl in structure.

Thus, the present invention is also directed to a method for determining the ability of a test substance to inhibit the proteolytic activity of free PSA, the method which comprises:

- (a) reacting a substrate, wherein the substrate comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen, with free prostate specific antigen in the presence of a test substance; and
- (b) detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved, in which the ability of the test substance to inhibit proteolytic activity of prostate specific antigen is indicated by a decrease in the cleavage of the substrate as compared to the cleavage of the substrate in the absence of the test substance.

The candidate screening assay is quite simple to set up and perform, and is related in many ways to the assay discussed above for determining proteolytic activity. Thus, after obtaining a relatively purified preparation of free PSA, one will desire to simply admix a test substance with the proteolytic preparation, preferably under conditions which would allow the PSA to perform its cleavage function but for

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inclusion of a inhibitory substance. Thus, for example, one will typically desire to include within the admixture an amount of a known oligopeptide having a PSA specific cleavage site, such as those oligopeptides described hereinabove. In this fashion, one can measure the ability of the test substance to reduce cleavage of the oligopeptide relatively in the presence of the test substance.

Accordingly, one will desire to measure or otherwise determine the activity of the free PSA in the absence of the added test substance relative to the activity in the presence of the test substance in order to assess the relative inhibitory capability of the test substance.

The instant invention also relates to novel anti-cancer compositions useful for the treatment of prostate cancer. Such compositions comprise the oligopeptides of the instant invention covalently bonded directly, or through a chemical linker, to a cytotoxic agent. Such a combination of an oligopeptide and cytotoxic agent may be termed a conjugate. Ideally, the cytotoxic activity of the cytotoxic agent is greatly reduced or absent when the oligopeptide containing the PSA proteolytic cleavage site is bonded directly, or through a chemical linker, to the cytotoxic agent and is intact. Also ideally, the cytotoxic activity of the cytotoxic agent increases significantly or returns to the activity of the unmodified cytotoxic agent upon proteolytic cleavage of the attached oligopeptide at the cleavage site. While it is not necessary for practicing this aspect of the invention, the most preferred embodiment of this aspect of the invention is a conjugate wherein the oligopeptide, and the chemical linker if present, are detached from the cytotoxic agent by the proteolytic activity of the free PSA and any other native proteolytic enzymes present in the tissue proximity, thereby releasing unmodified cytotoxic agent into the physiological environment at the place of proteolytic cleavage.

It is understood that the oligopeptide of the instant invention that is conjugated to the cytotoxic agent, whether through a direct covalent bond or through a chemical linker, does not need to be the oligopeptide that has the greatest recognition by free PSA and is most readily proteolytically cleaved by free PSA. Thus, the oligopeptide that

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is selected for incorporation in such an anti-cancer composition will be chosen both for its selective, proteolytic cleavage by free PSA and for the cytotoxic activity of the cytotoxic agent-proteolytic residue conjugate (or, in what is felt to be an ideal situation, the unmodified cytotoxic agent) which results from such a cleavage.

Because the conjugates of the invention can be used for modifying a given biological response, cytotoxic agent is not to be construed as limited to classical chemical therapeutic agents. For example, the cytotoxic agent may be a protein or polypeptide possessing a desired biological activity. Such proteins may include, for example, a toxin such as abrin, ricin A, pseudomonas exotoxin, or diphtheria toxin; a protein such as tumor necrosis factor, α -interferon, β -interferon, nerve growth factor, platelet derived growth factor, tissue plasminogen activator; or, biological response modifiers such as, for example, lymphokines, interleukin-1 ("IL-1"), interleukin-2 ("IL-2"), interleukin-6 ("IL-6"), granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor ("GM-CSF"), granulocyte colony stimulating factor ("G-CSF"), or other growth factors.

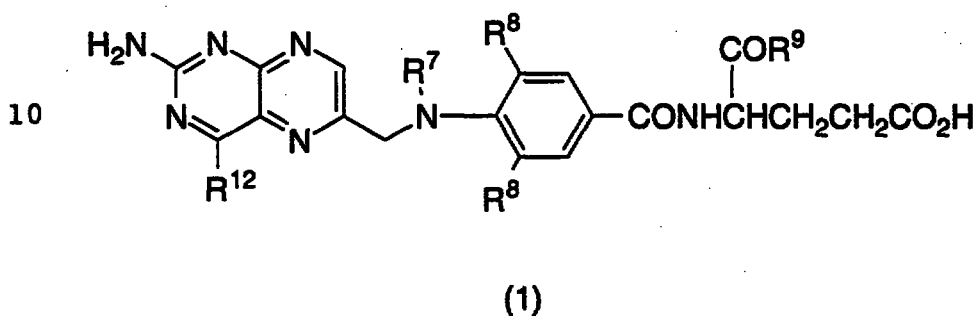
The preferred cytotoxic agents include, in general, alkylating agents, antiproliferative agents, tubulin binding agents and the like. Preferred classes of cytotoxic agents include, for example, the anthracycline family of drugs, the vinca drugs, the mitomycins, the bleomycins, the cytotoxic nucleosides, the pteridine family of drugs, diynenes, and the podophyllotoxins. Particularly useful members of those classes include, for example, doxorubicin, carminomycin, daunorubicin, aminopterin, methotrexate, methopterin, dichloromethotrexate, mitomycin C, porfiromycin, 5-fluorouracil, 6-mercaptopurine, cytosine arabinoside, podophyllotoxin, or podophyllotoxin derivatives such as etoposide or etoposide phosphate, melphalan, vinblastine, vincristine, leurosine, vindesine, leurosine and the like. Other useful cytotoxic agents include estramustine, cisplatin and cyclophosphamide. One skilled in the art may make chemical modifications to the desired compound in order to make reactions of that

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compound more convenient for purposes of preparing conjugates of the invention.

A highly preferred group of cytotoxic agents for the present invention include drugs of the following formulae:

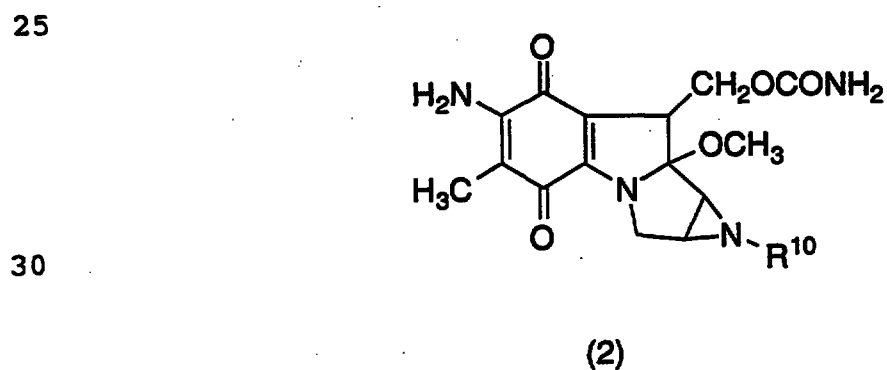
THE METHOTREXATE GROUP OF FORMULA(1):



in which

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- R¹² is amino or hydroxy;
 - R⁷ is hydrogen or methyl;
 - R⁸ is hydrogen, fluoro, chloro, bromo or iodo;
 - R⁹ is hydroxy or a moiety which completes a salt of the carboxylic acid;

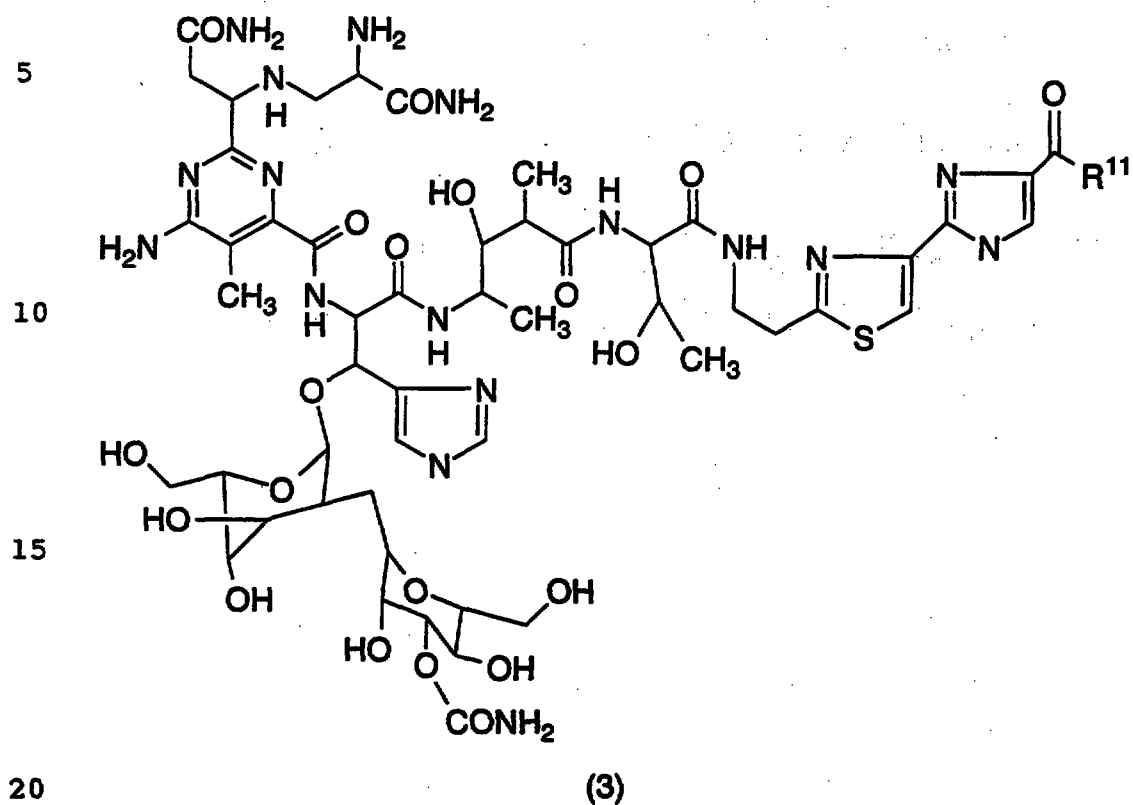
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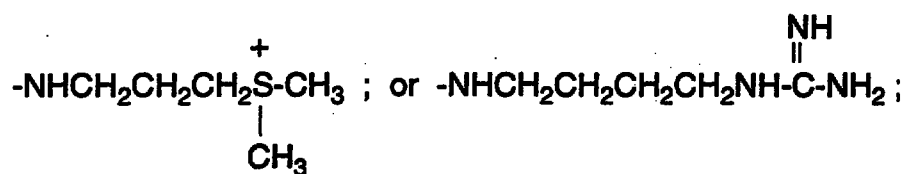
in which

- R¹⁰ is hydrogen or methyl;

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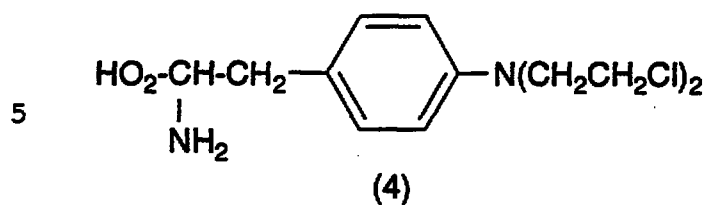
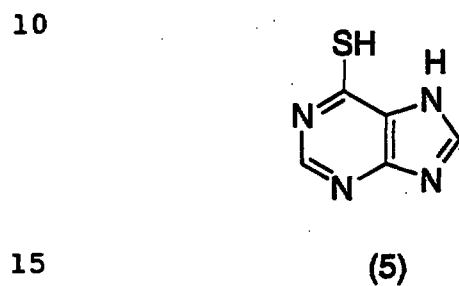
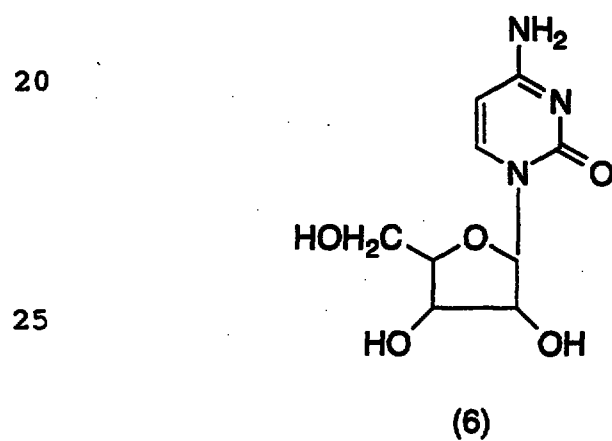


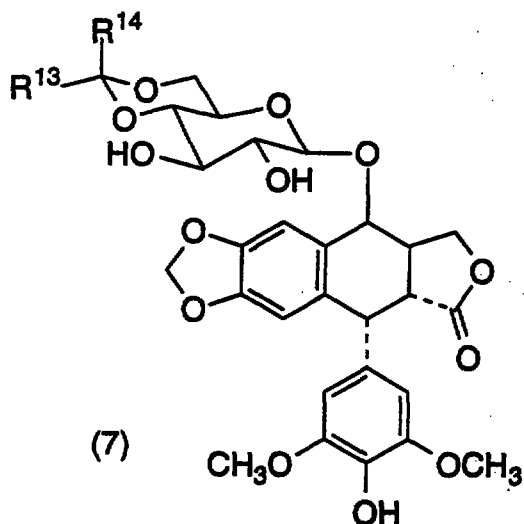
in which R¹¹ is hydroxy, amino, C₁-C₃ alkylamino, di(C₁-C₃ alkyl)amino, C₄-C₆ polymethylene amino,



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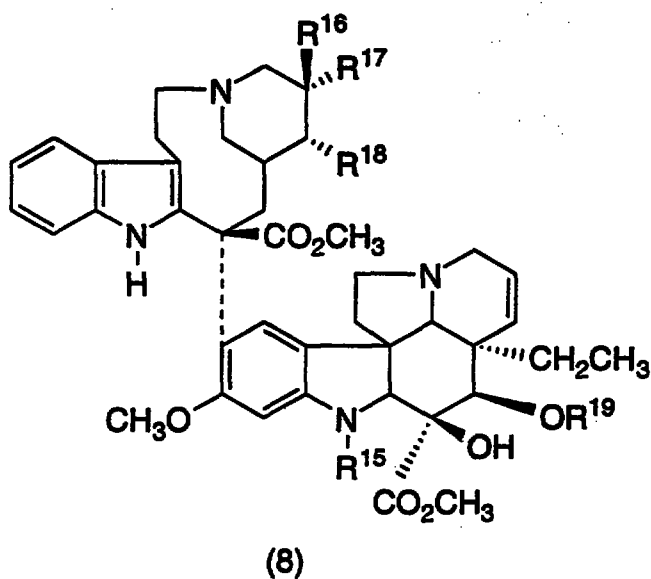
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MELPHALAN OF FORMULA (4):6-MERCAPTOPURINE OF FORMULA (5):A CYTOSINE ARABINOSIDE OF FORMULA (6):

THE PODOPHYLLOTOXINS OF FORMULA (7):

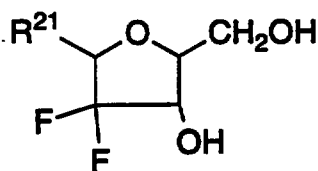
15 in which
 R¹³ is hydrogen or methyl;
 R¹⁴ is methyl or thienyl;
 or a phosphate salt thereof;

20 THE VINCA ALKALOID GROUP OF DRUGS OF FORMULA (8):



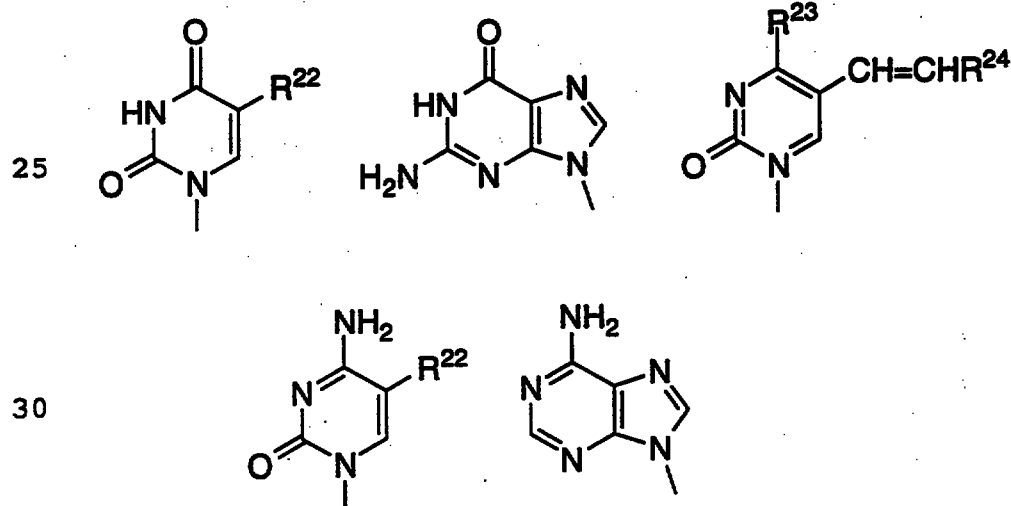
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in which

R¹⁵ is H, CH₃ or CHO; when R¹⁷ and R¹⁸ are taken singly;R¹⁸ is H, and one of R¹⁶ and R¹⁷ is ethyl and the other is H or OH; when R¹⁷ and R¹⁸ are taken together with the carbons to which they are attached, they form an oxirane ring in which case R¹⁶ is ethyl;R¹⁹ is hydrogen, (C₁-C₃ alkyl)-CO, or chlorosubstituted (C₁-C₃ alkyl)-CO;10 DIFLUORONUCLEOSIDES OF FORMULA (9):

(9)

in which

20 R²¹ is a base of one of the formulae:

in which

R²² is hydrogen, methyl, bromo, fluoro, chloro or iodo;

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R²³ is -OH or -NH₂;

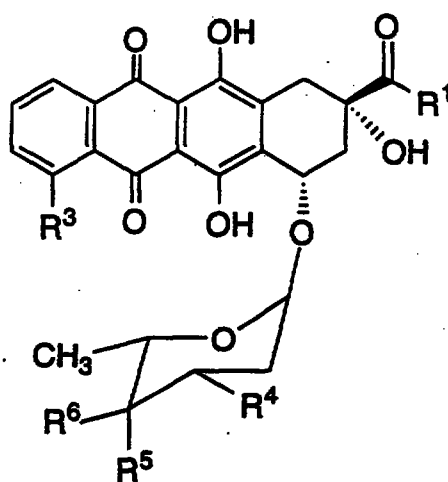
R²⁴ is hydrogen, bromo, chloro or iodo;
or,

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THE ANTHRACYCLINES ANTIBIOTICS OF FORMULA (10):

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wherein

R¹ is -CH₃, -CH₂OH, -CH₂OCO(CH₂)₃CH₃, or
-CH₂OCOCH(OC₂H₅)₂;

R³ is -OCH₃, -OH or -H;

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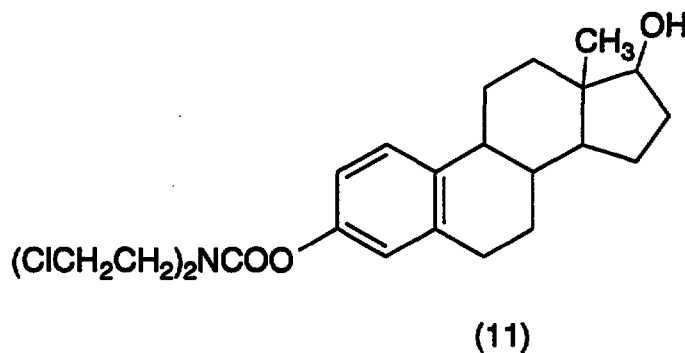
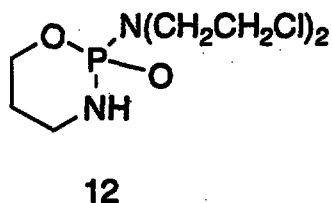
R⁴ is -NH₂, -NHCOCF₃, 4-morpholinyl, 3-cyano-4-morpholinyl, 1-piperidinyl, 4-methoxy-1-piperidinyl, benzylamine, dibenzylamine, cyanomethylamine, or 1-cyano-2-methoxyethyl amine;

R⁵ is -OH -OTHP or -H; and

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R⁶ is -OH or -H provided that
R⁶ is not -OH when R⁵ is -OH or -OTHP.

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ESTRAMUSTINE (11)CYCLOPHOSPHAMIDE (12)

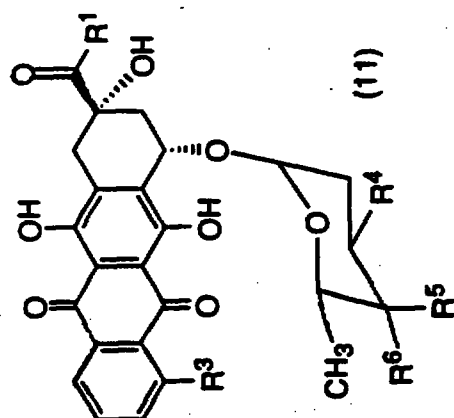
The most highly preferred drugs are the anthracycline

20 antibiotic agents of Formula (10), described previously. One skilled in
the art understands that this structural formula includes compounds which
are drugs, or are derivatives of drugs, which have acquired in the art
different generic or trivial names. Table 1, which follows, represents a
number of anthracycline drugs and their generic or trivial names and
25 which are especially preferred for use in the present invention.

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Table 1



Compound	R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	R ₄	R ₅	R ₆
daunorubicin ^a	CH ₃	OCH ₃	OCH ₃	NH ₂	OH	H
doxorubicin ^b	CH ₂ OH	OCH ₃	OCH ₃	NH ₂	OH	H
detorubicin	CH ₂ OCOCH(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	OCH ₃	OCH ₃	NH ₂	OH	H
carminomycin	CH ₃	OH	OH	NH ₂	OH	H
idarubicin	CH ₃	H	H	NH ₂	OH	H
epirubicin	CH ₂ OH	OCH ₃	OCH ₃	NH ₂	OH	OH
esorubicin	CH ₂ OH	OCH ₃	OCH ₃	NH ₂	H	H
THP	CH ₂ OH	OCH ₃	OCH ₃	NH ₂	OTHP	H
AD-32	CH ₂ OCO(CH ₂) ₃ CH ₃	OCH ₃	OCH ₃	NHCOCF ₃	OH	H

^a"daunomycin" is an alternative name for daunorubicin

^b"adriamycin" is an alternative name for doxorubicin

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Of the compounds shown in Table 1, the most highly preferred drug is doxorubicin. Doxorubicin (also referred to herein as "DOX") is that anthracycline of Formula (10) in which R₁ is -CH₂OH, R₃ is -OCH₃, R₄ is -NH₂, R₅ is -OH, and R₆ is -H.

The oligopeptides, peptide subunits and peptide derivatives (also termed "peptides") of the present invention can be synthesized from their constituent amino acids by conventional peptide synthesis techniques, preferably by solid-phase technology. The peptides are then purified by reverse-phase high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC).

Standard methods of peptide synthesis are disclosed, for example, in the following works: Schroeder *et al.*, "The Peptides", Vol. I, Academic Press 1965; Bodansky *et al.*, "Peptide Synthesis", Interscience Publishers, 1966; McOmie (ed.) "Protective Groups in Organic Chemistry", Plenum Press, 1973; Barany *et al.*, "The Peptides: Analysis, Synthesis, Biology" 2, Chapter 1, Academic Press, 1980, and Stewart *et al.*, "Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis", Second Edition, Pierce Chemical Company, 1984. The teachings of these works are hereby incorporated by reference.

The conjugates of the instant invention which comprise the oligopeptide containing the PSA cleavage site and a cytotoxic agent may similarly be synthesized by techniques well known in the medicinal chemistry art. For example, a free amine moiety on the cytotoxic agent may be covalently attached to the oligopeptide at the carboxyl terminus such that an amide bond is formed. Similarly, an amide bond may be formed by covalently coupling an amine moiety of the oligopeptide and a carboxyl moiety of the cytotoxic agent. For these purposes a reagent such as a combination of 2-(1H-benzotriazol-1-yl)-1,3,3-tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate (known as HBTU) and 1-hydroxybenzotriazole hydrate (known as HOBT), dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC), N-ethyl-N-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-carbodiimide (EDC), diphenylphosphorylazide (DPPA), benzotriazol-1-yl-oxy-tris-

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(dimethylamino)phosphonium hexafluorophosphate (BOP) and the like may be utilized.

Furthermore, the instant conjugate may be formed by a non-peptidyl bond between the PSA cleavage site and a cytotoxic agent. For example, the cytotoxic agent may be covalently attached to the carboxyl terminus of the oligopeptide via a hydroxyl moiety on the cytotoxic agent, thereby forming an ester linkage. For this purpose a reagent such as a combination of HBTU and HOBT, a combination of BOP and imidazole, a combination of DCC and DMAP, and the like may be utilized. The carboxylic acid may also be activated by forming the nitrophenyl ester or the like and reacted in the presence of DBU (1,8-diazabicyclo[5,4,0]undec-7-ene).

The instant conjugate may also be formed by attachment of the oligopeptide to the cytotoxic agent via a linker unit. Such linker units include, for example, a biscarbonyl alkyl diradical whereby an amine moiety on the cytotoxic agent is connected with the linker unit to form an amide bond and the amino terminus of the oligopeptide is connected with the other end of the linker unit also forming an amide bond. Other such linker units which are stable to the physiological environment when not in the presence of free PSA, but are cleavable upon the cleavage of the PSA proteolytic cleavage site, are also envisioned. Furthermore, linker units may be utilized that, upon cleavage of the PSA proteolytic cleavage site, remain attached to the cytotoxic agent but do not significantly decrease the cytotoxic activity of such a post-cleavage cytotoxic agent derivative when compared with an unmodified cytotoxic agent.

One skilled in the art understands that in the synthesis of compounds of the invention, one may need to protect or block various reactive functionalities on the starting compounds and intermediates while a desired reaction is carried out on other portions of the molecule. After the desired reactions are complete, or at any desired time, normally such protecting groups will be removed by, for example, hydrolytic or hydrogenolytic means. Such protection and deprotection steps are conventional in organic chemistry. One skilled in the art is referred to Protective Groups in Organic Chemistry, McOmie, ed., Plenum Press,

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NY, NY (1973); and, Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis, Greene, ed., John Wiley & Sons, NY, NY (1981) for the teaching of protective groups which may be useful in the preparation of compounds of the present invention.

5 By way of example only, useful amino-protecting groups may include, for example, C₁-C₁₀ alkanoyl groups such as formyl, acetyl, dichloroacetyl, propionyl, hexanoyl, 3,3-diethylhexanoyl, γ -chlorobutyl, and the like; C₁-C₁₀ alkoxycarbonyl and C₅-C₁₅
10 aryloxycarbonyl groups such as tert-butoxycarbonyl, benzyloxycarbonyl, allyloxycarbonyl, 4-nitrobenzyloxycarbonyl, fluorenylmethyloxycarbonyl and cinnamoyloxycarbonyl; halo-(C₁-C₁₀)-alkoxycarbonyl such as 2,2,2-trichloroethoxycarbonyl; and C₁-C₁₅ arylalkyl and alkenyl group such as benzyl, phenethyl, allyl, trityl, and the like. Other commonly
15 used amino-protecting groups are those in the form of enamines prepared with β -keto-esters such as methyl or ethyl acetoacetate.

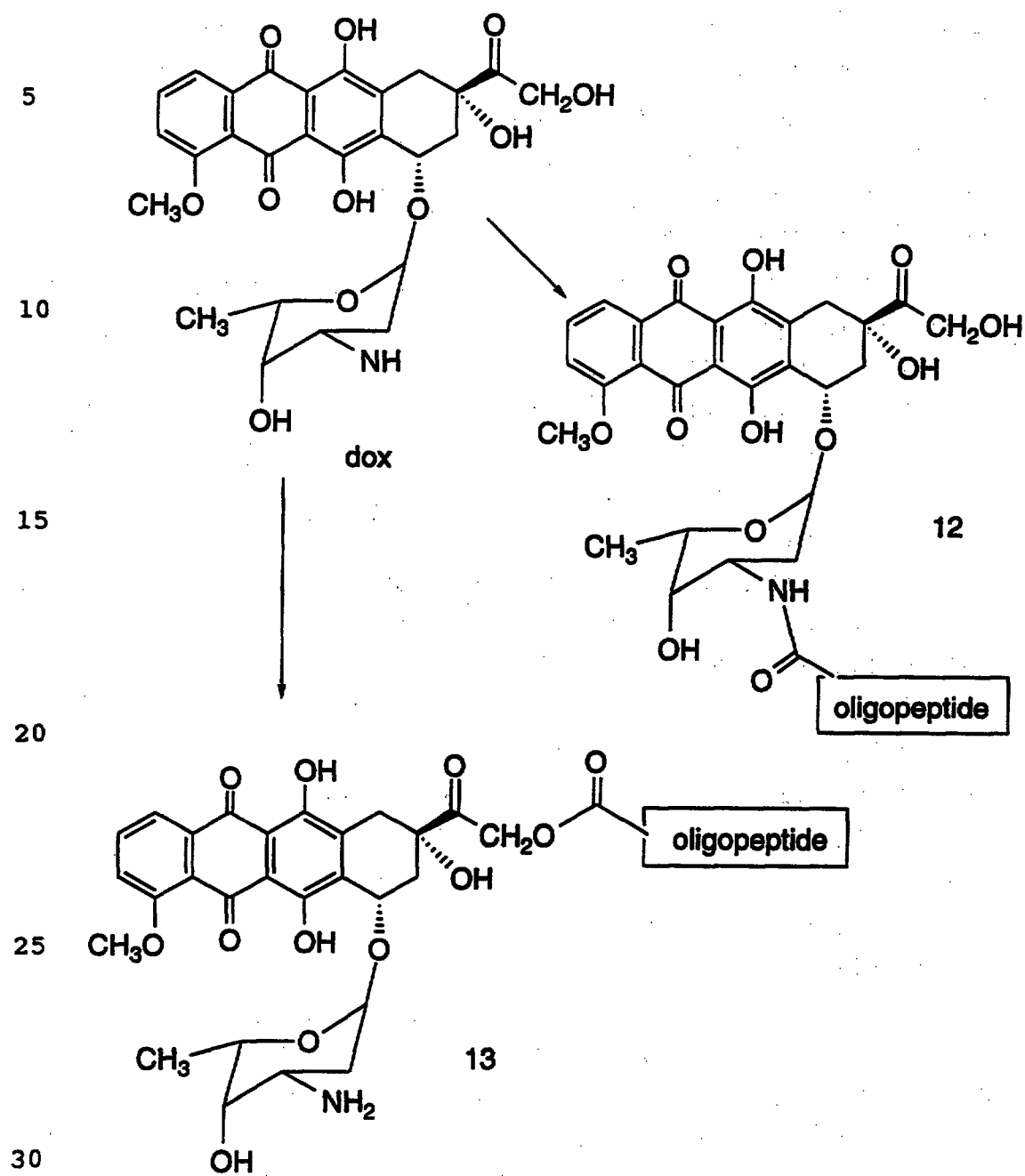
Useful carboxy-protecting groups may include, for example, C₁-C₁₀ alkyl groups such as methyl, tert-butyl, decyl; halo-C₁-C₁₀ alkyl such as 2,2,2-trichloroethyl, and 2-iodoethyl; C₅-C₁₅ arylalkyl such as
20 benzyl, 4-methoxybenzyl, 4-nitrobenzyl, triphenylmethyl, diphenylmethyl; C₁-C₁₀ alkanoyloxymethyl such as acetoxymethyl, propionoxymethyl and the like; and groups such as phenacyl, 4-halophenacyl, allyl, dimethylallyl, tri-(C₁-C₃ alkyl)silyl, such as trimethylsilyl, β -p-toluenesulfonylethyl, β -p-nitrophenyl-thioethyl, 2,4,6-
25 trimethylbenzyl, β -methylthioethyl, phthalimidomethyl, 2,4-dinitrophenylsulphenyl, 2-nitrobenzhydryl and related groups.

Similarly, useful hydroxy protecting groups may include, for example, the formyl group, the chloroacetyl group, the benzyl group, the benzhydryl group, the trityl group, the 4-nitrobenzyl group, the
30 trimethylsilyl group, the phenacyl group, the tert-butyl group, the methoxymethyl group, the tetrahydropyranyl group, and the like.

With respect to the preferred embodiment of an oligopeptide combined with the anthracycline antibiotic doxorubicin, the following Reaction Schemes illustrate the synthesis of the conjugates of the instant invention.

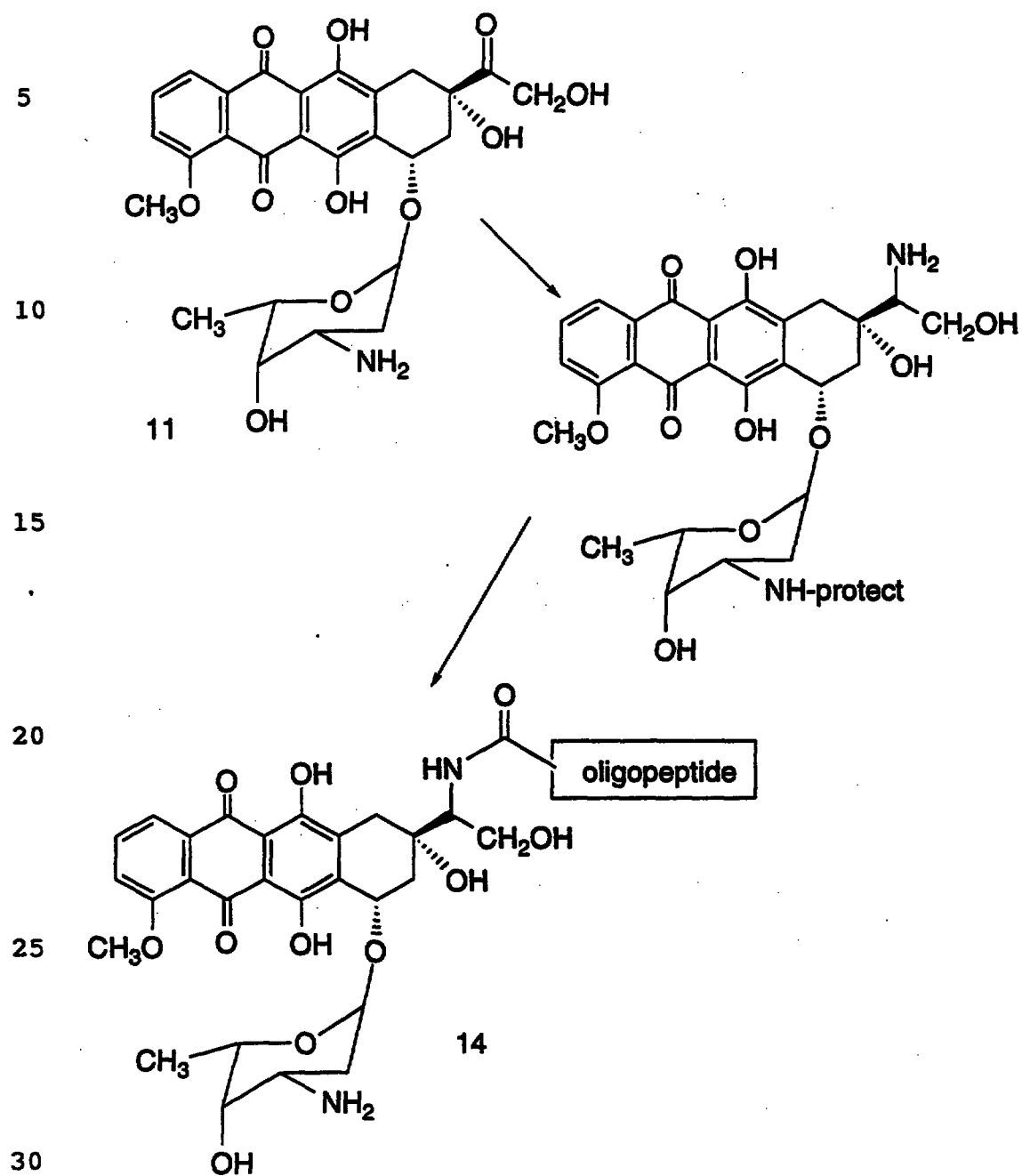
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REACTION SCHEME I



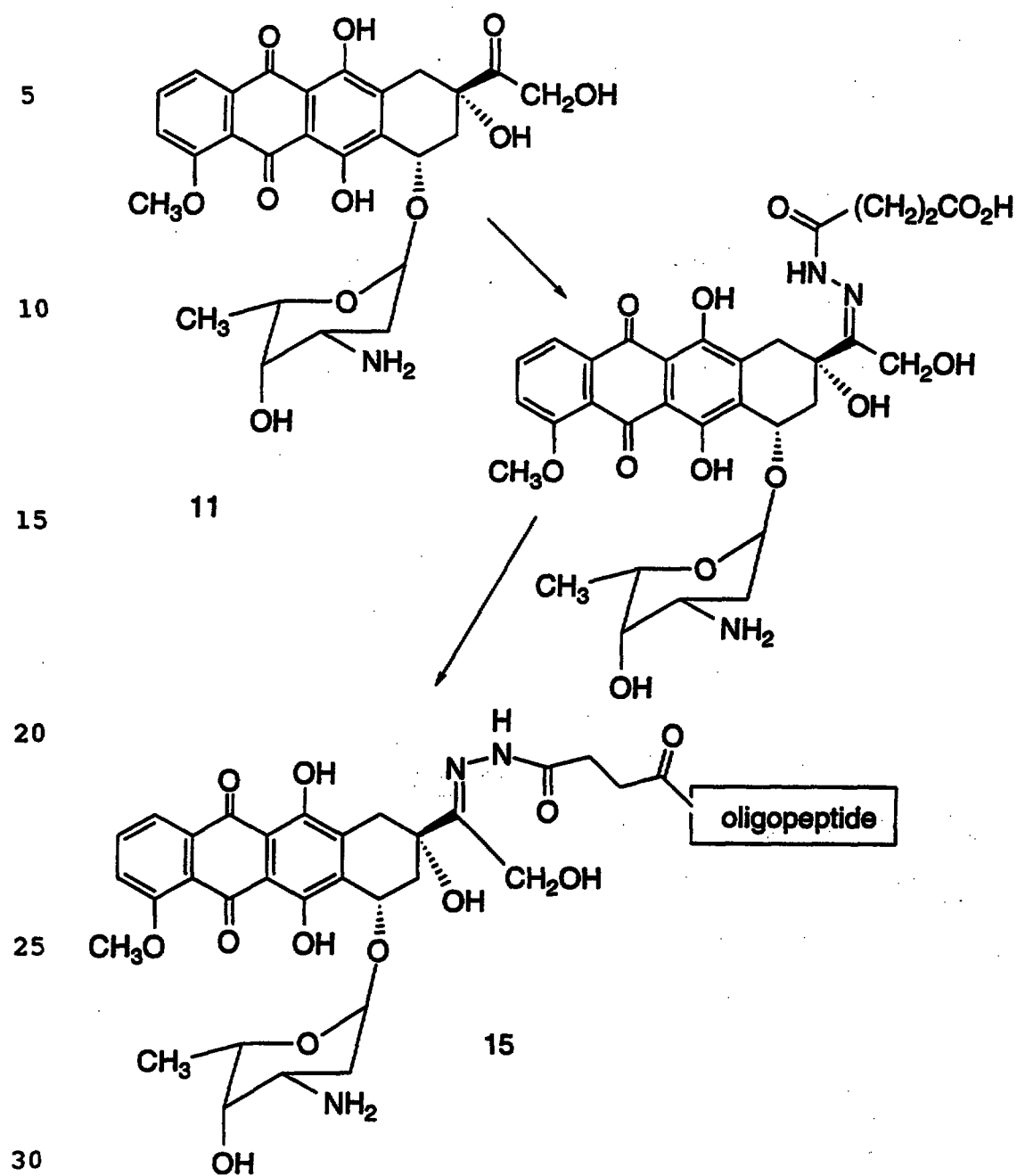
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REACTION SCHEME II



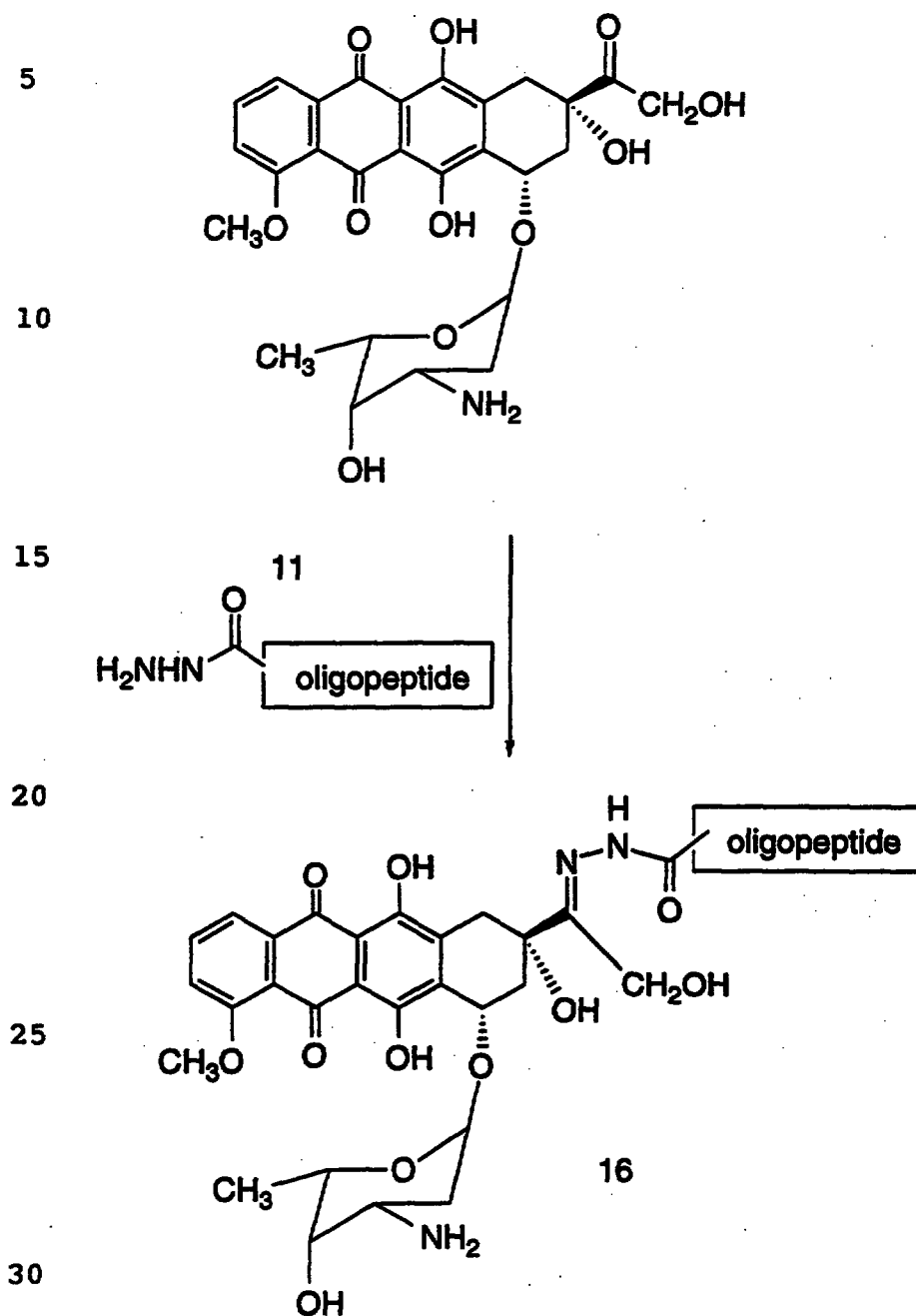
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REACTION SCHEME III



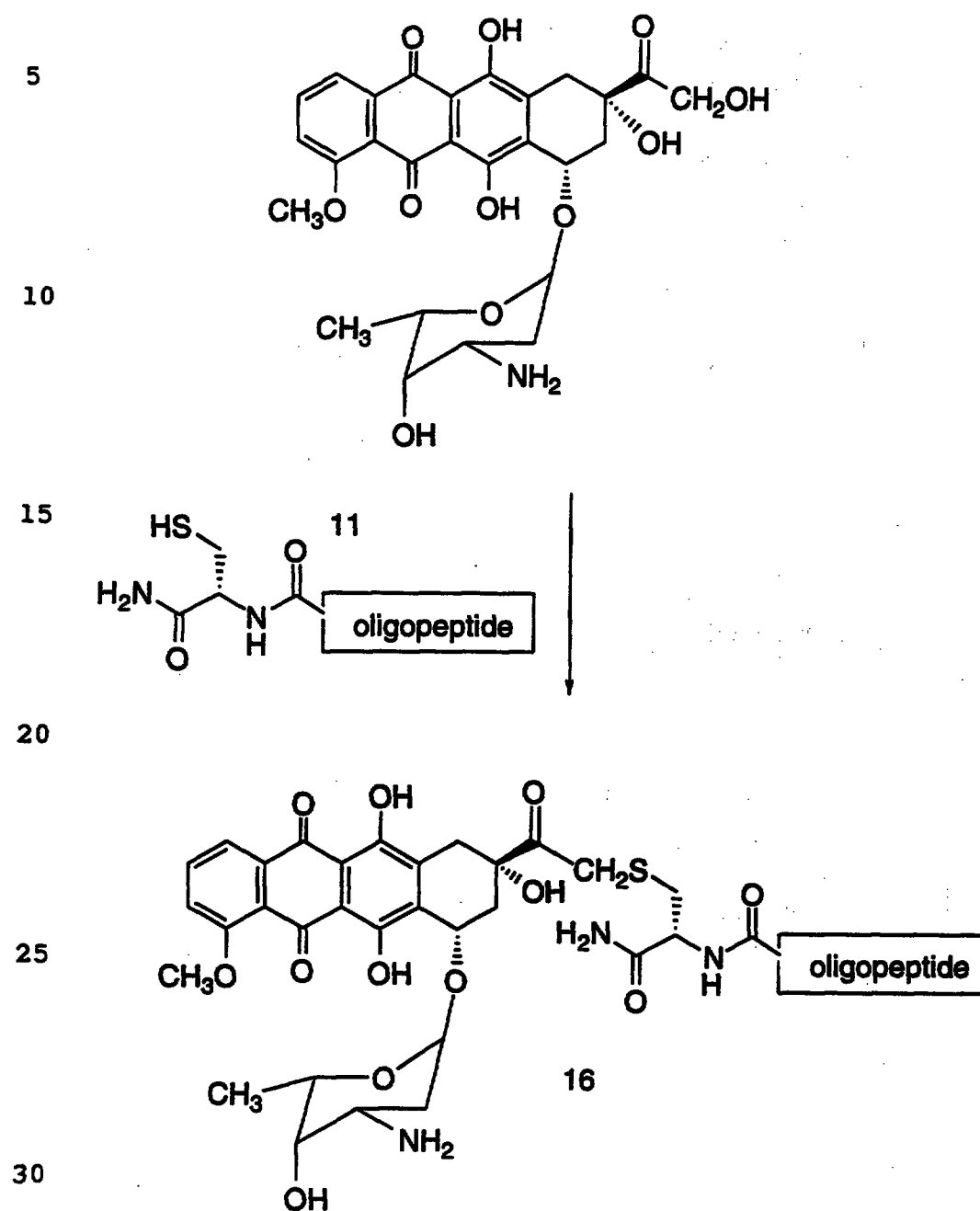
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REACTION SCHEME IV



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REACTION SCHEME V

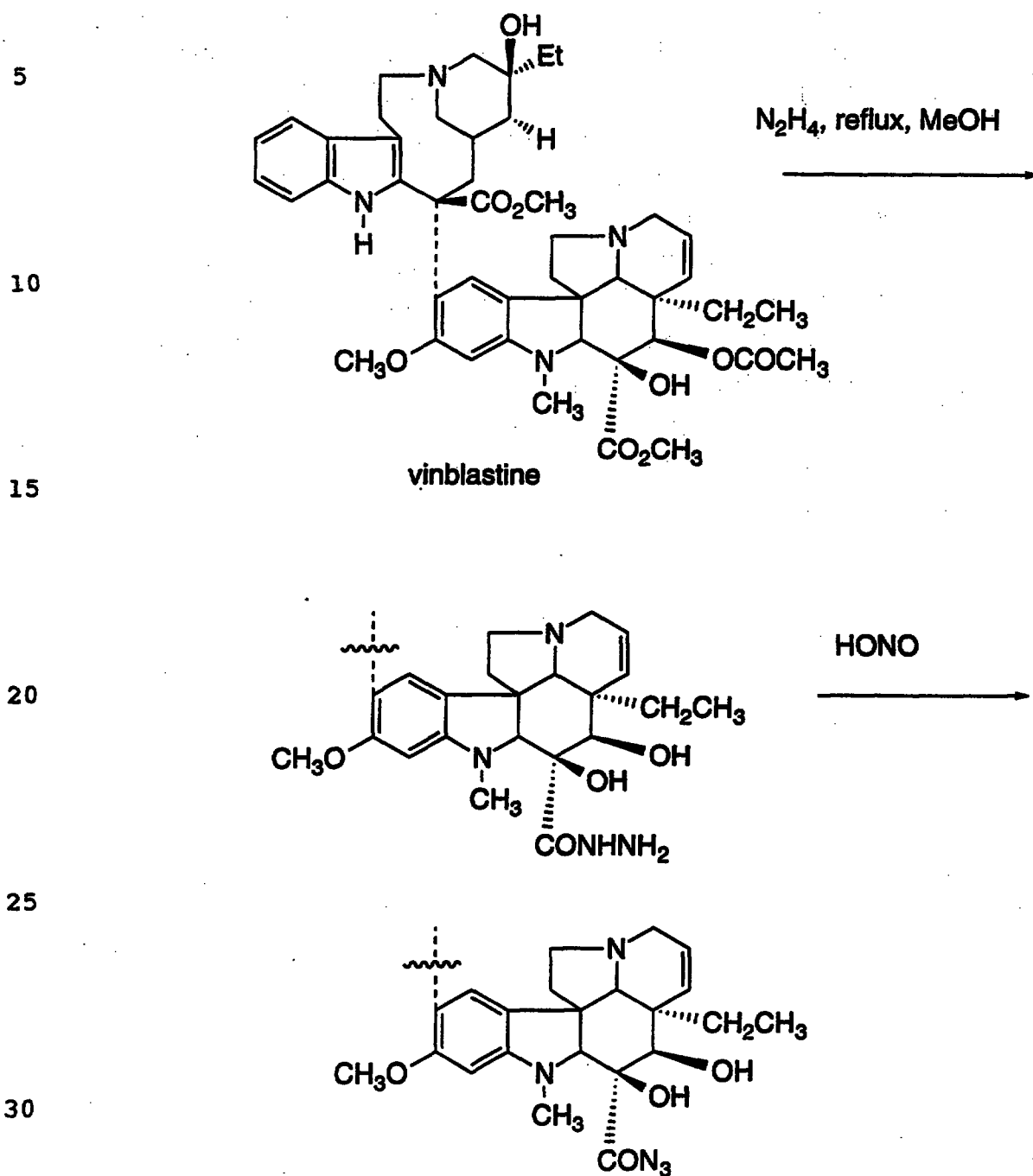


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Reaction Scheme VI illustrates preparation of conjugates of the oligopeptides of the instant invention and the vinca alkaloid cytotoxic agent vinblastine. Attachment of the N-terminus of the oligopeptide to vinblastine is illustrated (S.P. Kandukuri et al. J. Med. Chem. 28:1079-1088 (1985)). However, conjugation of the oligopeptide at other positions and functional groups of vinblastine and at the C-terminus of the oligopeptide is also expected to provide compounds useful in the treatment of prostate cancer.

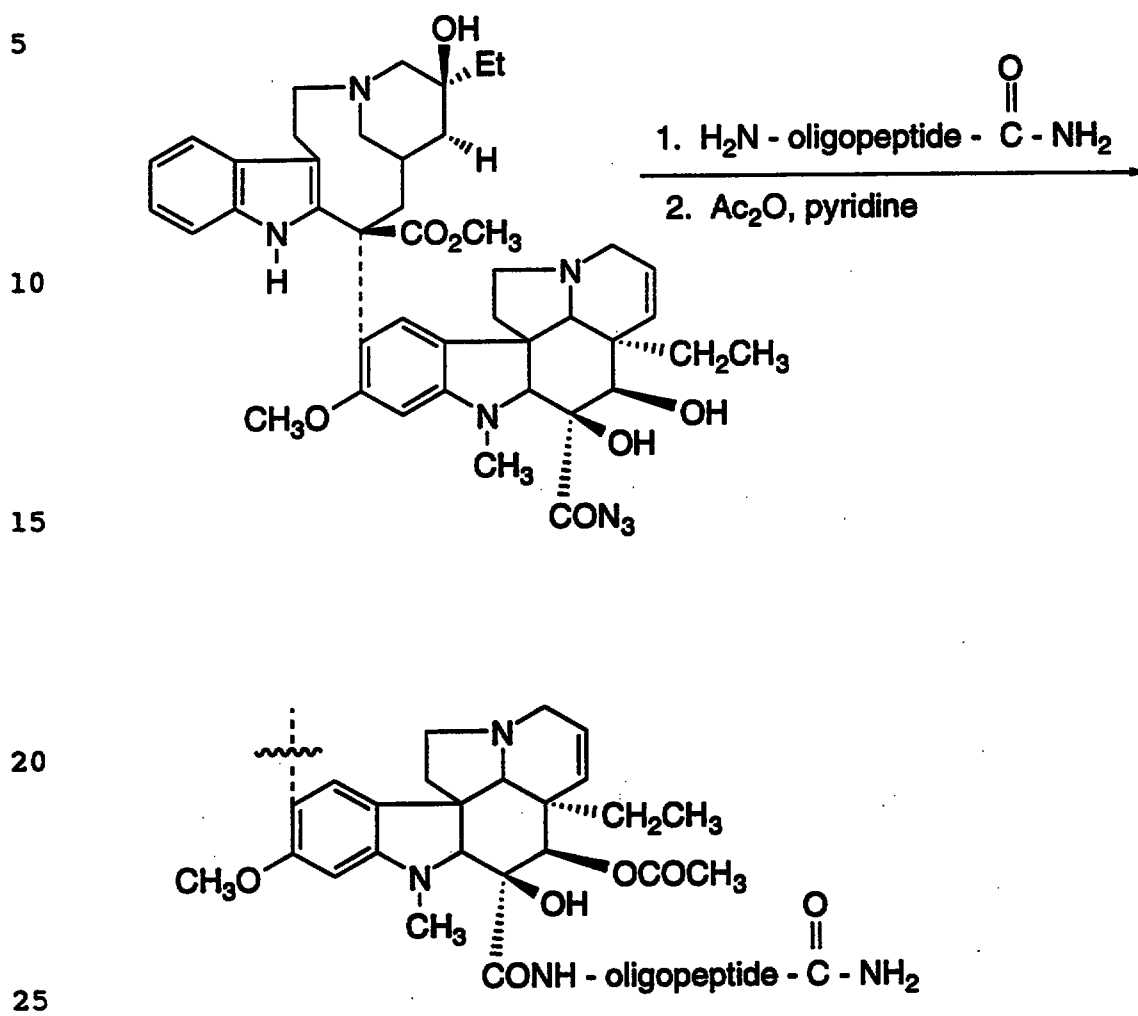
It is also understood that conjugates may be prepared wherein the N-terminus of the oligopeptide of the instant invention is covalently attached to one cytotoxic agent, such as vinblastine, while the C-terminus is simultaneously attached to another cytotoxic agent, which is the same or different cytotoxic agent, such as doxorubicin. Such a polycytotoxic conjugate may offer advantages over a conjugate containing only one cytotoxic agent.

REACTION SCHEME VI



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REACTION SCHEME VI



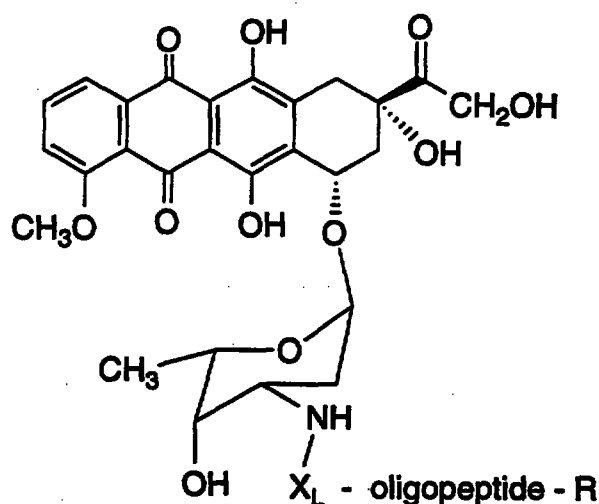
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The oligopeptide-cytotoxic agent conjugate of the instant invention wherein the cytotoxic agent is the preferred cytotoxic agent doxorubicin may be described by the general formula I below:

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wherein:

oligopeptide is an oligopeptide which is specifically recognized by the free prostate specific antigen (PSA) and is capable of being proteolytically cleaved by the enzymatic activity of the free prostate specific antigen;

X_L is absent or is an amino acid selected from:

- a) phenylalanine,
- b) leucine,
- c) valine,
- d) isoleucine,
- e) (2-naphthyl)alanine,
- f) cyclohexylalanine,
- g) diphenylalanine,
- h) norvaline, and
- j) norleucine;

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R is hydrogen or $-(C=O)R^1$; and

R^1 is C_1 - C_6 -alkyl or aryl.

5 In a preferred embodiment of the oligopeptide-cytotoxic agent conjugate:

oligopeptide is an oligomer that comprises an amino acid sequence selected from:

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a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGlnIleSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 13),

b) LysIleSerTyrGlnIleSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 14),

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c) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnXaaSerIleTyrIleSerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 15),

d) GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyrIleSerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 2),

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e) AsnLysIleSerTyrTyrIleSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 127),

f) AsnLysAlaSerTyrGlnIleSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 128),

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g) SerTyrGlnIleSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 129), and

h) hArgTyrGlnIleSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 141);

30 wherein Xaa is any natural amino acid;

X_L is absent or is an amino acid selected from:

- a) leucine,
- b) isoleucine,
- c) norleucine, and

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d) valine; and

R is acetyl, pivaloyl or benzoyl.

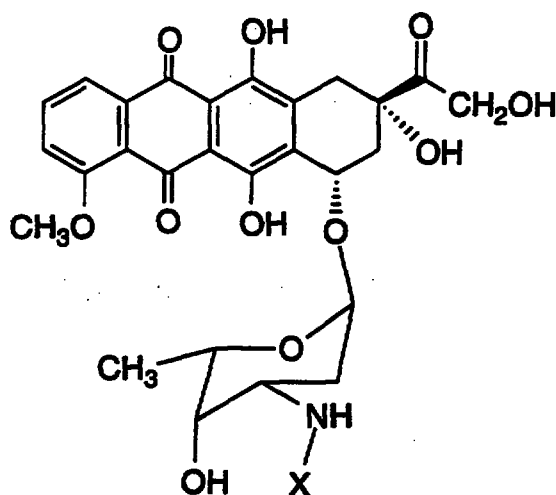
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The following compounds are specific examples of the oligopeptide-cytotoxic agent conjugate of the instant invention:

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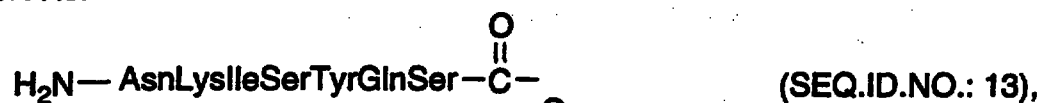
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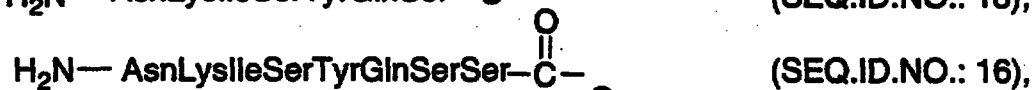


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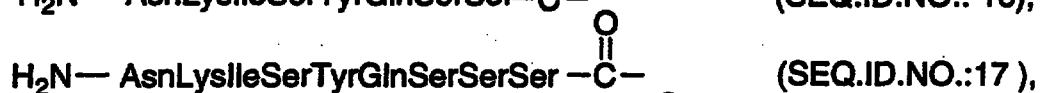
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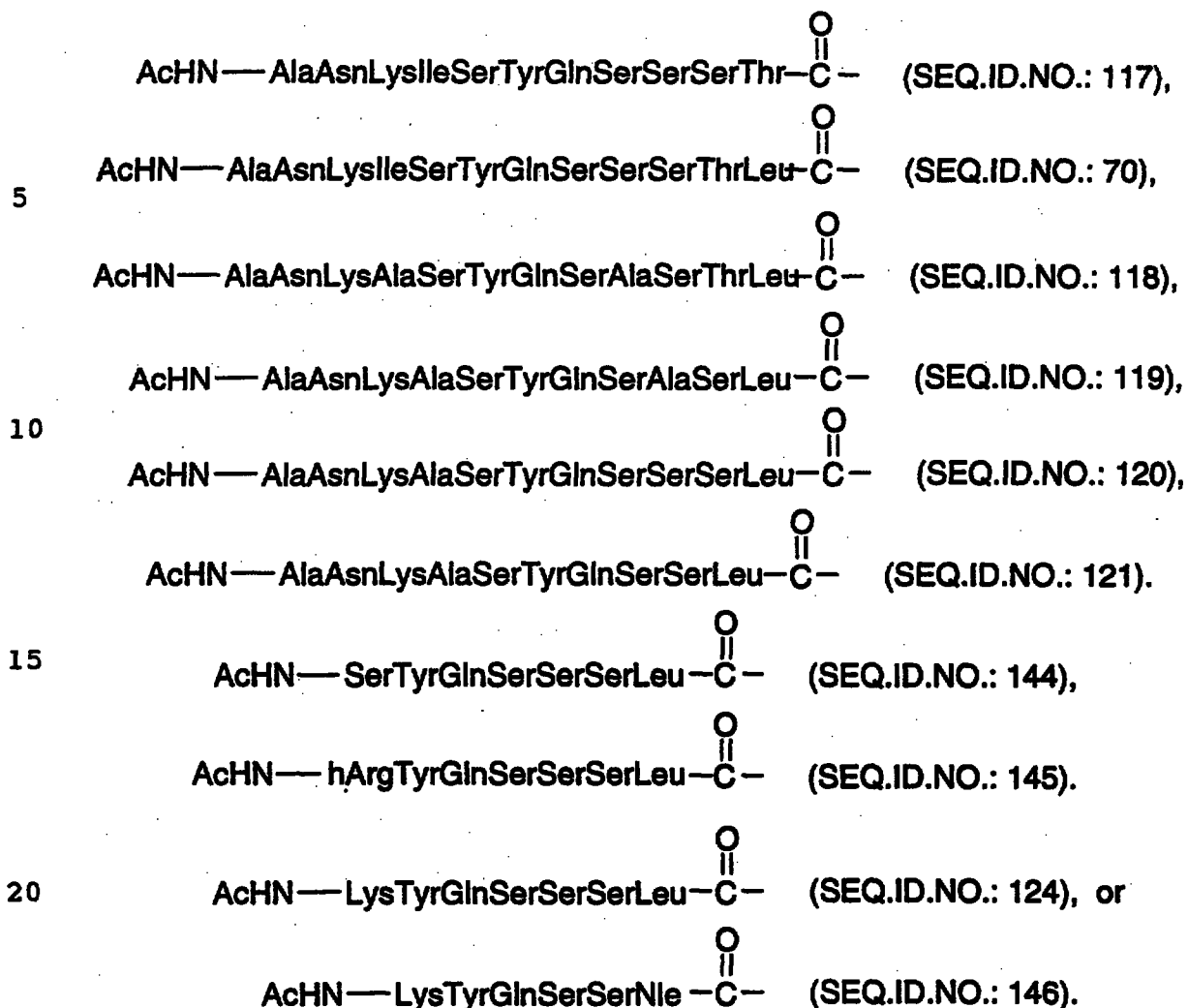


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25 It is well known in the art, and understood in the instant invention, that peptidyl therapeutic agents such as the instant oligopeptide-cytotoxic agent conjugates preferably have the terminal amino moiety of any oligopeptide substituent protected with a suitable protecting group, such as acetyl, benzoyl, pivaloyl and the like. Such
 30 protection of the terminal amino group reduces or eliminates the enzymatic degradation of such peptidyl therapeutic agents by the action of exogenous amino peptidases which are present in the blood plasma of warm blooded animals.

The oligopeptide-cytotoxic agent conjugates of the invention are administered to the patient in the form of a pharmaceutical

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composition which comprises a conjugate of Formula (I) and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or diluent therefor. As used, "pharmaceutically acceptable" refers to those agents which are useful in the treatment or diagnosis of a warm-blooded animal including, for example, a human, equine, porcine, bovine, murine, canine, feline, or other mammal, as well as an avian or other warm-blooded animal. The preferred mode of administration is parenterally, particularly by the intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous, intraperitoneal, or intralymphatic route. Such formulations can be prepared using carriers, diluents or excipients familiar to one skilled in the art. In this regard, See, e.g. Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences, 16th ed., 1980, Mack Publishing Company, edited by Osol et al. Such compositions may include proteins, such as serum proteins, for example, human serum albumin, buffers or buffering substances such as phosphates, other salts, or electrolytes, and the like. Suitable diluents may include, for example, sterile water, isotonic saline, dilute aqueous dextrose, a polyhydric alcohol or mixtures of such alcohols, for example, glycerin, propylene glycol, polyethylene glycol and the like. The compositions may contain preservatives such as phenethyl alcohol, methyl and propyl parabens, thimerosal, and the like. If desired, the composition can include about 0.05 to about .20 percent by weight of an antioxidant such as sodium metabisulfite or sodium bisulfite.

For intravenous administration, the composition preferably will be prepared so that the amount administered to the patient will be from about .01 to about 1 g of the conjugate. Preferably, the amount administered will be in the range of about .2 g to about 1 g of the conjugate. The conjugates of the invention are effective over a wide dosage range depending on factors such as the disease state to be treated or the biological effect to be modified, the manner in which the conjugate is administered, the age, weight and condition of the patient as well as other factors to be determined by the treating physician. Thus, the amount administered to any given patient must be determined on an individual basis.

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One skilled in the art will appreciate that although specific reagents and reaction conditions are outlined in the following examples, modification can be made which are meant to be encompassed by the spirit and scope of the invention. The following preparations and
5 examples, therefore, are provided to further illustrate the invention, and are not limiting.

EXAMPLES

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EXAMPLE 1

Identification of the Semenogelin PSA Mediated Cleavage Site:

Liquefaction of the seminal gel parallels proteolytic fragmentation of semenogelin I [Lilja, H., Laurell, C.B., (1984) Scand. J. Clin. Lab. Inves. 44, 447-452]. It is believed that the proteolytic fragmentation of
15 semenogelin is mainly due to the proteolytic activity of prostate-specific antigen [Lilja, H., (1985) J. Clin. Invest. 76, 1899-1903]. Utilizing the published sequence of semenogelin I [Lilja, H., Abrahamsson, P.A., Lundwall, A., (1989) J. of Biol. Chem. 264, 1894-1900] (Figure 1) we designed polymerase chain reaction primers to clone the semenogelin
20 cDNA from a commercially available prostatic cDNA library (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA.). The purified semenogelin cDNA was placed into the bacterial expression vector pTAC [Linemeyer, D.L., Kelly, L.J., Minke, J.G., Gimenez-Gallego, G., DeSalvo, J. and Thomas, K.A., (1987) Bio/Technology 5, 960-965]. The semenogelin cDNA was
25 designed so that a tubulin epitope was placed at the carboxyl end of semenogelin protein.. The bacterially expressed semenogelin protein was purified on an anti-tubulin antibody column. The purified semenogelin I protein was mixed with commercially prepared prostate-specific antigen (PSA) (York Biologicals International, Stony Brook, NY) in an 100 to 1
30 molar ratio (semenogelin I/PSA) in 12 mM Tris pH 8.0, 25 mM NaCl, 0.5 mM CaCl₂, and incubated for various times. The digest was fractionated by polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis and transferred by electrophoresis to ProBlott filter paper (Applied Biosystems, Inc., Foster City, CA.) in CAPS buffer [Matsudaira, P., (1987) J. Biol. Chem. 252,

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10035-10038]. The ProBlott filter paper was stained with coomassie blue to identify the novel PSA generated semenogelin I protein fragments. The novel fragments were cut out of the filter with a scalpel and submitted for sequence determination. After the proteolytic fragments were identified by variable time digestion, a 10 minute digestion reaction was performed. The affinity of PSA for the 5 potential cleavage sites in semenogelin I was determined to be as follows: site 349/350 > site 375/376 > site 289/290 = site 315/316 > site 159/160. The relative affinities were derived from the comassie blue staining intensity of each PSA generated peptide fragment. These intensities had approximate ratios of 3:1:0.6:0.3.

EXAMPLE 2

Preparation of Oligopeptides which Comprise the PSA Mediated Cleavage Site:

Oligopeptides were prepared by solid-phase synthesis, using a double coupling protocol for the introduction of amino acids on the Applied Biosystems model 430A automated peptide synthesizer. Deprotection and removal of the oligopeptide from the resin support were achieved by treatment with liquid hydrofluoric acid. The oligopeptides were purified by preparative high pressure liquid chromatography on reverse phase C18 silica columns using an aqueous 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid/acetonitrile gradient. Identity and homogeneity of the oligopeptides were confirmed by amino acid composition analysis, high pressure liquid chromatography, and fast atom bombardment mass spectral analysis. The oligopeptides that were prepared by this method are shown in Figure 2.

EXAMPLE 3

Assessment of the Recognition of Oligopeptides by Free PSA :

The oligopeptides prepared as described in Example 2 were individually dissolved in PSA digestion buffer (12 mM tris(hydroxymethyl)-aminomethane pH8.0, 25 mM NaCl, 0.5 mM CaCl₂) and the solution added to PSA at a molar ration of 100 to 1. The reaction is quenched

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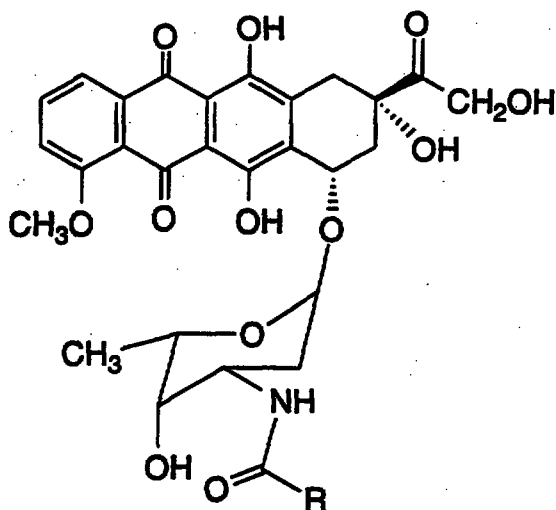
after various reaction times by the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) to a final 1% (volume/volume). The quenched reaction was analyzed by HPLC on a reversed-phase C18 column using an aqueous 0.1%TFA/acetonitrile gradient. The results of the assessment are shown in Figure 2. Other oligopeptides prepared as described in Example 2 were tested in the same assay wherein the reaction was quenched at 4 hours. Those results of the assessment are shown in Figure 3. The removal of an asparagine residue from the amino terminus of the oligopeptide results in a significant loss of PSA mediated peptide hydrolysis, while the presence of a glutamic acid residue at the carboxyl end of the peptide appears not to be essential to recognition by PSA.

EXAMPLE 4

Preparation of Non-cleavable Oligopeptide-Doxorubicin Conjugates:

The derivatives of doxorubicin shown in Table 3 were prepared using the following general reaction: To a mixture of doxorubicin (Sigma) and the corresponding peptide (prepared by solid phase synthesis or commercially available (Sigma)) in DMSO was added HBTU and HOBT along with diisopropylethylamine and the reaction mixture was stirred overnight. The crude reaction mixture was purified directly by preparative HPLC on a reversed-phase C-18 column using a 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) in acetonitrile/0.1% TFA in water gradient.

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Table 3

<u>Compound</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>MS (parent ion)</u>
12a	Ala-H	615
12b	Ala-N-Ac	657
12c	Ala-Ala-Ala-N-Ac	799.5
12d	Ala-Ser-Ala-Gly-Thr-Pro-Gly-Ala-N-Ac	1199

(SEQ.ID.NO.: 12)

EXAMPLE 5***In vitro Assay of Cytotoxicity of Peptidyl Derivatives of Doxorubicin:***

The cytotoxicities of the non-cleaveable oligopeptide-doxorubicin conjugates, prepared as described in Example 4, against a line of cells which is known to be killed by unmodified doxorubicin were assessed with an Alamar Blue assay. Specifically, cell cultures of LNCaP prostate tumor cells, which are a human metastatic prostate adenocarcinoma isolated from a needle biopsy of a lymph node (LNCaP.FGC: American Type Culture Collection, ATCC CRL 1740), or DuPRO cells in 96 well plates were diluted with medium containing various concentrations of a given conjugate (final plate well volume of 200 μ l). The cells were incubated for 3 days at 37°C and then 20 μ l of Alamar Blue was added to the assay well. The cells were further incubated and the assay plates

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were read on a EL-310 ELISA reader at the dual wavelengths of 570 and 600 nm at 4 and 7 hours after addition of Alamar Blue. Relative percentage viability at the various concentration of conjugate tested was then calculated versus control (no conjugate) cultures. Cytotoxicities of unmodified doxorubicin and unmodified oligopeptide were also assessed. Figure 3 shows the cytotoxicity data for a representative compound (Compound 12d).

EXAMPLE 6

Assessment of Enzymatically Active PSA from LNCaP Cells

Enzymatic activity was demonstrated by incubating LNCaP serum free media (concentrated approximately 200 fold) with recombinant Semenogelin I protein. Approximately 0.5 µg of immunologically reactive PSA in concentrated conditioned media [determined by HYBRIDTECH (Tandem E) elisa] was mixed with approximately 3 µg of recombinant Semenogelin I and incubated for 4 hours at 37°C. At the end of the incubation, the digest mixture was analyzed by Western blot procedures. The results show that purified PSA from semen and PSA from LNCaP conditioned media generate identical proteolytic maps of the recombinant Semenogelin I protein. Thus, LNCaP cells produce enzymatically active PSA. LNCaP are tumorigenic in nude mice and produce detectable levels of circulating PSA.

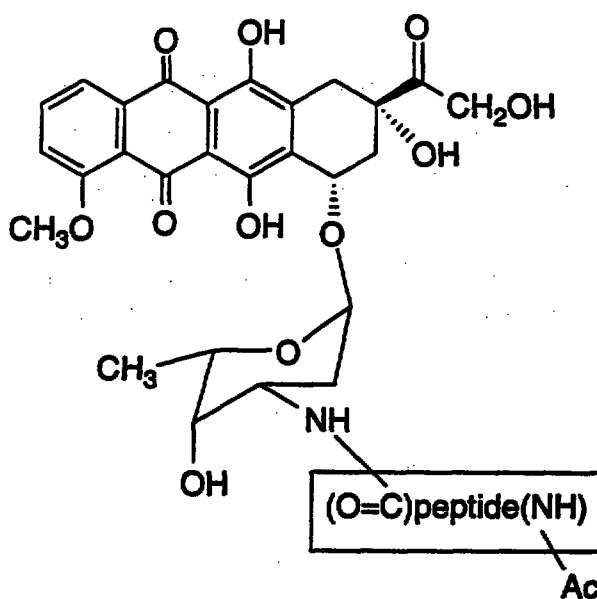
EXAMPLE 7

Preparation of Cleavable Oligopeptide-Doxorubicin Conjugates:

The derivatives of doxorubicin wherein an oligopeptide which is proteolytically cleaved by free PSA is covalently attached to the amine of the sugar moiety of the doxorubicin were prepared using the following general reaction: To a mixture of doxorubicin (Sigma) and the corresponding peptide (prepared by solid phase synthesis as described in Example 2) in DMSO was added HBTU and HOBt along with diisopropylethylamine and the reaction mixture stirred overnight. The crude reaction mixture was purified directly by preparative HPLC on a

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reversed-phase C-18 column using a 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) in acetonitrile/0.1% TFA in water gradient. When reactive amine moieties were present on the peptide, such a functionality was typically protected as the fluorenylmethyloxycarbonyl adduct, which was removed by treatment with a secondary amine, such as piperidine and the like, subsequent to conjugation with doxorubicin. The instant conjugates have a structure of the general formula



and may be represented by the phrase "Ac-peptide-DOX (3')."
Conjugates prepared by this method are listed in Table 5 in Figure 5.

EXAMPLE 8

Assessment of the Recognition of Oligopeptide-Doxorubicin Conjugates by Free PSA :

The conjugates prepared as described in Example 7 were individually dissolved in PSA digestion buffer (12 mM tris(hydroxymethyl)-aminomethane pH8.0, 25 mM NaCl, 0.5 mM CaCl₂) and the solution added to PSA at a molar ration of 100 to 1. The reaction is quenched after various reaction times by the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) to a final 1% (volume/volume). The quenched reaction was analyzed by HPLC on a reversed-phase C18 column using an aqueous

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0.1%TFA/acetonitrile gradient. The results of the assessment are shown in Table 5 of Figure 5.

EXAMPLE 9

5 *Assessment of the Cleavage of Oligopeptide-Doxorubicin Conjugates in Cell Conditioned Media :*

Cell conditioned serum-free MEM α media (phenol red minus) was collected 3 days after the addition of the media to either LNCap or Dupro (prepared as described in *J. Urology*, 146:915-919 (1991)) cell lines. The
10 media was concentrated 20 fold using an Amicon® Centriprep™ concentrator with a 10,000 molecular weight cutoff. The LNCap conditioned media contained free PSA protein at, on average, approximately 100 ng/mL concentration as determined by the Tandem®-E PSA immunodetection kit (Hybritech®). There was no detectable free
15 PSA in the Dupro cell conditioned media.

100 μ L portions of concentrated conditioned media was mixed with 35 μ g of a oligopeptide-doxorubicin conjugate prepared as described in Example 7 and the mixture was incubated at 37°C for 0, 4 and 24 hour
20 time points. The reactions were stopped by the addition of ZnCl₂ (to a 0.01M final concentration and analyzed by HPLC on a reversed-phase C18 column using an aqueous 0.1%TFA/acetonitrile gradient to determine the percentage of peptide-cytotoxic agent conjugate that had been digested. The results of the assessment are shown in Table 6 of
25 Figure 6.

EXAMPLE 10

In vitro Assay of Cytotoxicity of Peptidyl Derivatives of Doxorubicin:

30 The cytotoxicities of the cleaveable oligopeptide-doxorubicin conjugates, prepared as described in Example 7, against a line of cells which is known to be killed by unmodified doxorubicin was assessed with an Alamar Blue assay as described in Example 5. Specifically, cell cultures of LNCap prostate tumor cells or DuPRO cells in 96 well plates was diluted with medium containing various concentrations of a given

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conjugate (final plate well volume of 200 μ l). The cells were incubated for 3 days at 37°C, 20 μ l of Alamar Blue is added to the assay well. The cells were further incubated and the assay plates were read on a EL-310 ELISA reader at the dual wavelengths of 570 and 600 nm at 4 and 7
5 hours after addition of Alamar Blue. Relative percentage viability at the various concentration of conjugate tested was then calculated versus control (no conjugate) cultures. Cytotoxicities of the conjugates were also compared to the cytotoxicity of unmodified doxorubicin and unmodified oligopeptide assessed in the same assay. Results of this assay
10 are shown in Table 7 of Figure 7.

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- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

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- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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- (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:18:
- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:18:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:19:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:19:

Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:20:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 17 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:20:

Gln Leu Asp Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Thr His Gln Ser
1 5 10 15
Ser

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:21:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:21:

Asn Arg Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:22:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:22:

Asn Lys Val Ser Tyr Gln Ser
1 5

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:23:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:23:

Asn Lys Met Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:24:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:24:

Asn Lys Leu Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:25:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:25:

Asn Lys Ile Thr Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:26:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:26:

Asn Lys Ile Ser Phe Gln Ser Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:27:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:27:

Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Trp	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:28:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:28:

Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Asn	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:29:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:29:

Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:30:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:30:

Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:31:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:31:

Gln Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:32:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:32:

Asn	Arg	Ile	Thr	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser
1					5			

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:33:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:33:

Asn	Arg	Ile	Ser	Phe	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:34:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:34:

Gln	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:35:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:35:

Asn	Arg	Ile	Ser	Trp	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:36:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:36:

Asn	Arg	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:37:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:37:

Asn	Lys	Ile	Thr	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:38:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:38:

Asn	Lys	Leu	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:39:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:39:

Gln	Lys	Leu	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:40:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:40:

Asn	Arg	Leu	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Thr	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:41:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:41:

Asn	Lys	Val	Ser	Phe	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:42:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:42:

Asn	Arg	Val	Ser	Trp	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:43:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:43:

Gln	Lys	Val	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:44:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:44:

Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1			5						10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:45:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:45:

Gly	Glu	Gln	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:46:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:46:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Thr	Asp	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5				10						15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:47:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:47:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Leu	Gln	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:48:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:48:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Asn	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:49:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:49:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Arg	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Arg	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:50:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:50:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Lys	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:51:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:51:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Leu	Ser	Gln	Thr	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:52:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:52:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ile	Phe	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:53:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:53:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Met	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Thr
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:54:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:54:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Arg	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Thr
1				5					10					15	

Gln Thr Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:55:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:55:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	

Gln Ser Glu

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:56:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 19 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:56:

Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly	Val	Gln	Lys	Asp	Val	Ser	Gln	Arg	Ser	Ile	Tyr	Ser
1				5					10					15	
Asn Thr Glu															

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:57:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:57:

Gly	Lys	Ala	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Thr	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:58:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:58:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Ser	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:59:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:59:

Gly	Arg	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Thr	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5				10						15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:60:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:60:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Thr	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Thr	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5				10						15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:61:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:61:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Thr	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Thr	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:62:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:62:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Asn	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Thr	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:63:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:63:

Ala	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Thr	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:64:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:64:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Phe	Ser	Asn	Thr	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:65:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:65:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Thr	Asn	Ser	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:66:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 15 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:66:

Gly	Lys	Gly	Ile	Ser	Ser	Gln	Tyr	Ser	Asn	Ser	Glu	Glu	Arg	Leu
1				5					10					15

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:67:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 25 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:67:

Ser	Gln	Lys	Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu	Glu
1				5					10					15	
Arg	Arg	Leu	His	Tyr	Gly	Glu	Asn	Gly							
			20					25							

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:68:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:68:

Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Thr
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:69:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:69:

Ala Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:70:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:70:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Leu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:71:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:71:

Ala	Asn	Gly	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:72:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:72:

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Ala Asn Pro Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:73:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:73:

Ala Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ala Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:74:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:74:

Ala Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Lys Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:75:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:75:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:76:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
- (B) LOCATION: 5
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= d-serine

/note= "unnatural configuration of the amino acid"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:76:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:77:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
- (B) LOCATION: 4
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= d-isoleucine

/note= "unnatural amino acid stereochemical configuration"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:77:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:78:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:78:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Gln	Thr	Glu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:79:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:79:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ala	Lys	Thr	Glu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:80:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide

(B) LOCATION: 3

(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= d-lysine

/note= "unnatural amino acid stereochemical configuration"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:80:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:81:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:81:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Thr	Glu
1			5						10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:82:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:82:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1			5						10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:83:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids

(B) TYPE: amino acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:83:

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Ala Asn Lys Ile Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:84:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:84:

Ala Asn Lys Ala Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ala Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:85:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:85:

Ala Asn Glu Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ala Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:86:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:86:

Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:87:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:87:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:88:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:88:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:89:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:89:

Ala Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:90:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:90:

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Glu Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:91:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:91:

Ala Asn Glu Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:92:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:92:

Ala Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Tyr Ser Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:93:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:93:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Tyr	Ser	Ala	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:94:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:94:

Ala	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Leu
1				5		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:95:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:95:

Ala	Asn	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:96:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:96:

Ala	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1				5				

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:97:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:97:

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Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Thr Glu
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:98:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:98:

Ala Asn Lys Ala Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ala Ser Cys
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:99:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 5 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:99:

Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:100:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:100:

Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:101:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:101:

Ser Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:102:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:102:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Gln	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1			5					10	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:103:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
 - (B) LOCATION: 3
 - (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= unnatural
- /note= "ornithine"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:103:

Ala	Asn	Xaa	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Thr	Glu
1			5						10	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:104:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
(B) LOCATION: 2
(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= unnatural
/note= "3,4-dichlorophenalanine"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:104:

Ser Xaa Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:105:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
(B) LOCATION: 2
(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= unnatural
/note= "(3-pyridinyl)alanine"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:105:

Ser Xaa Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:106:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:106:

Ser Lys Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:107:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:107:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:108:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
(B) LOCATION: 1
(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= unnatural

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/note= "epsilon aminocaproic acid"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:108:

Xaa Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:109:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
- (B) LOCATION: 4
- (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= unnatural

/note= "N-methylisoleucine"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:109:

Ala Asn Lys Xaa Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:110:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:110:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:111:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:111:

Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:112:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:112:

Ser Tyr Lys Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:113:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:113:

Ser Tyr Tyr Ser Ser Thr Glu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:114:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:114:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:115:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:115:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:116:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
(B) LOCATION: 1
(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= unnatural
/note= "2,3-diaminopropionic acid"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:116:

Xaa Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:117:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:117:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Thr
1				5					10	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:118:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 12 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:118:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ala	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ala	Ser	Thr	Leu
1				5					10		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:119:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:119:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ala	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ala	Ser	Leu
1				5					10	

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:120:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:120:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ala	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Ser	Leu
1				5					10	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:121:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 10 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:121:

Ala	Asn	Lys	Ala	Ser	Tyr	Gln	Ser	Ser	Leu
1				5					10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:122:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:
 (A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
 (B) LOCATION: 7
 (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= d-leucine
/note= "unnatural amino acid stereochemical configuration"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:122:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:123:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 11 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:123:

Ala Asn Lys Ala Ser Tyr Ala Ser Ser Ser Leu
1 5 10

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:124:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:124:

Lys Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:125:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:125:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Lys Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:126:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
(B) LOCATION: 7
(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= d-leucine
/note= "unnatural amino acid stereochemical configuration"

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:126:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Lys Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:127:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:127:

Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Tyr Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:128:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:128:

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Asn Lys Ala Ser Tyr Gln Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:129:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 5 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:129:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:130:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:130:

Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ala
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:131:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid

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- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:131:

Ala Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Tyr Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:132:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 8 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:132:

Ala Asn Lys Ala Ser Tyr Gln Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:133:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:133:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Thr
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:134:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:134:

Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:135:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:135:

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Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:136:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:136:

Ala Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ala
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:137:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:137:

Ala Asn Lys Ile Ser Tyr Tyr Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:138:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid

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- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
 - (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
 - (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
 - (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:138:
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| Ala | Asn | Lys | Ile | Ser | Tyr | Tyr | Ser | Ala |
| 1 | | | | 5 | | | | |

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:139:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 9 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
 - (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
 - (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
 - (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
 - (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:139:
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|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Ala | Asn | Lys | Ala | Ser | Tyr | Gln | Ser | Ala |
| 1 | | | | 5 | | | | |

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:140:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 5 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:140:

Lys Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:141:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 5 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
(B) LOCATION: 1
(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= homoarginine

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:141:

Xaa Tyr Gln Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:142:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

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(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:142:

Lys Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:143:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 6 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
(B) LOCATION: 1
(D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= homoarginine

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:143:

Xaa Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:144:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:144:

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Ser Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:145:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
 - (B) LOCATION: 1
 - (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= homoarginine
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:145:

Xaa Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Leu
1 5

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:146:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 7 amino acids
 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: linear
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide
- (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO
- (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO
- (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: internal
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: Peptide
 - (B) LOCATION: 7
 - (D) OTHER INFORMATION: /label= norleucine
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:146:

Lys Tyr Gln Ser Ser Ser Leu
1 5



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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An oligopeptide that comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen.

2. The oligopeptide according to Claim 1 wherein the sequence of amino acids is

- a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 13),
- b) LysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 14),
- c) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnXaaSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 15),
- d) GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyr|SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 2),
- e) AsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 127),
- f) AsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 128),
- g) SerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 129);
- h) LysTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 140); or
- i) hArgTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 141);

wherein hArg is homoarginine and Xaa is any natural amino acid.

3. The oligopeptide according to Claim 2 wherein the sequence of amino acids is

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- a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 16),
- b) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 130),
- 5 c) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 17),
- d) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 18),
- 10 e) LysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 19),
- f) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu
(SEQ.ID.NO.: 4),
- 15 g) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu
(SEQ.ID.NO.: 5),
- h) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 131),
- 20 i) AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 132),
- j) SerTyrGln|SerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 133),
- k) SerTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 134),
- 25 l) LysTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 142),
- m) hArgTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 143), or
- 30 n) SerTyrGln|SerSerLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 135).

4. The oligopeptide according to Claim 2 wherein the amino acid sequence is

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- a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 10),
b) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 136),
5 c) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.:3),
d) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11),
10 e) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu
(SEQ.ID.NO.: 4),
f) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 137),
g) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 138),
15 h) AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 139), or
i) AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 94).

20 5. The oligopeptide according to Claim 2 wherein the
amino acid sequence is

- a) GlyArgLysAlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGluGluArgArg
25 LeuHisTyr GlyGluAsnGly (SEQ.ID.NO.: 6).

6. The oligopeptide according to Claim 1 which is
selected from:

- 30 AsnArgIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 21),
AsnLysValSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 22),
AsnLysMetSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 23),
AsnLysLeuSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 24),
AsnLysIleThrTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 25),

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- AsnLysIleSerPheGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 26),
 AsnLysIleSerTrpGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 27),
 AsnLysIleSerTyrAsn|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 28),
 AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 29),
 5 AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 30),
 GlnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 31),
 AsnArgIleThrTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 32),
 AsnArgIleSerPheGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 33),
 AsnArgIleSerTrpGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 35),
 10 AsnArgIleSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 36),
 AsnLysIleThrTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 37),
 AsnLysLeuSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 38),
 GlnLysLeuSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 39),
 AsnArgLeuSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 40),
 15 AsnLysValSerPheGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 41),
 AsnArgValSerTrpGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 42),
 GlnLysValSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 43),
 GlnLysIleSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 34), or
 20 AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 44).

7. The oligopeptide according to Claim 1 which is

- AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 70)
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 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrLeu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 70)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 73)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerLysThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 74)
 30 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 75)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerGlnThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 78)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAlaLysThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 79)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 81)
 Ac-AlaAsnLysSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 82)

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- Ac-AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 84)
- Ac-AlaAsnGluIleSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 85)
- Ac-AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 16)
- 5 Ac-LysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 86)
- Ac-SerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 87)
- Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 89)
- Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 92)
- Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 93)
- 10 Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerLeu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 94)
- Ac-AlaAsnSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 95)
- Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 96)
- Ac-SerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 97) or
- Ac-AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerCys-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 98).
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8. An assay for determining proteolytic activity of free prostate specific antigen in a sample, comprising the steps of:

- (a), reacting a substrate, wherein the substrate is an oligopeptide that comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen, with the sample; and
- 20 (b), detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved.

25 9. The assay according to Claim 8 wherein the step of detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved comprises analyzing the assay mixture by high performance liquid chromatography.

30 10. An assay for identifying compounds which inhibit the proteolytic activity of prostate specific antigen, comprising:

- (a), reacting a substrate, wherein the substrate comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen, with free prostate

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specific antigen in the presence of a test substance;
and

- (b), detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved,
in which the ability of the test substance to inhibit
proteolytic activity of prostate specific antigen is
indicated by a decrease in the cleavage of the
substrate as compared to the cleavage of the substrate
in the absence of the test substance.

11. The assay according to Claim 10 wherein the step of
detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved comprises analyzing the
assay mixture by high performance liquid chromatography.

12. A conjugate which is useful for the treatment of
prostate cancer which comprises a cytotoxic agent attached to a
oligopeptide, wherein the oligopeptide comprises a sequence of amino
acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free
prostate specific antigen, wherein the means of attachment is a covalent
bond or a chemical linker.

13. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the
cytotoxic agent is a member of a class of cytotoxic agents selected from
the following classes:

- a) anthracycline family of drugs,
- b) the vinca alkaloid drugs,
- c) the mitomycins,
- d) the bleomycins,
- e) the cytotoxic nucleosides,
- f) the pteridine family of drugs,
- g) diynenes,
- h) estramustine,
- i) cyclophosphamide, and
- h) the podophyllotoxins.

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14. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the cytotoxic agent is selected from the following cytotoxic agents:

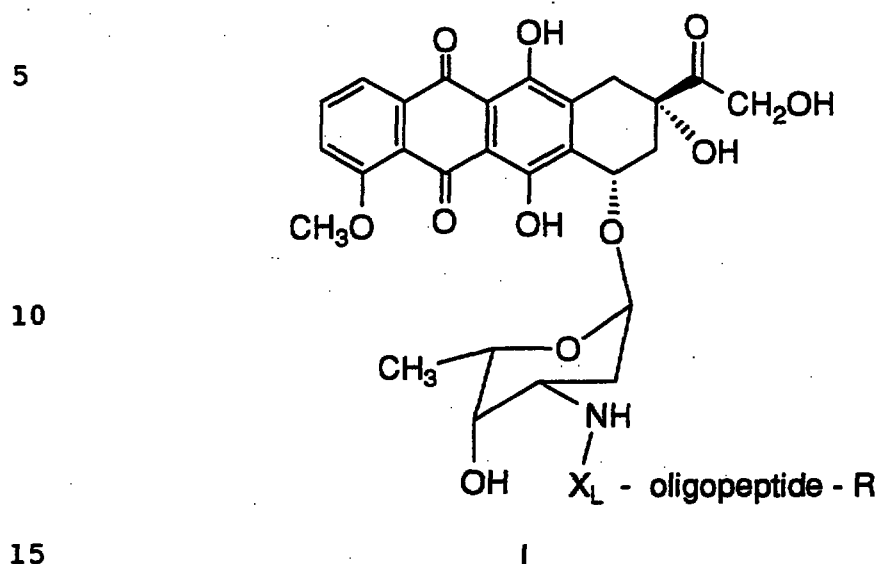
- a) doxorubicin,
- b) carminomycin,
- 5 c) daunorubicin,
- d) aminopterin,
- e) methotrexate,
- f) methopterin,
- g) dichloro-methotrexate,
- 10 h) mitomycin C,
- i) porfiromycin,
- j) 5-fluorouracil,
- k) 6-mercaptopurine,
- l) cytosine arabinoside,
- 15 m) podophyllotoxin,
- n) etoposide,
- o) etoposide phosphate,
- p) melphalan,
- q) vinblastine,
- 20 r) vincristine,
- s) leurosidine,
- t) vindesine,
- u) estramustine,
- v) cisplatin,
- 25 w) cyclophosphamide, and
- x) leurosine.

15. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the cytotoxic agent is selected from doxorubicin and vinblastine or a
30 cytotoxic derivative thereof.

16. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the cytotoxic agent is doxorubicin or a cytotoxic derivative thereof.

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17. The conjugate according to Claim 16 of the formula I:



wherein:

oligopeptide is an oligopeptide which is specifically recognized by
20 the free prostate specific antigen (PSA) and is capable of being
proteolytically cleaved by the enzymatic activity of the free prostate
specific antigen;

X_L is absent or is an amino acid selected from:

- 25 a) phenylalanine,
b) leucine,
c) valine,
d) isoleucine,
e) (2-naphthyl)alanine,
30 f) cyclohexylalanine,
g) diphenylalanine,
h) norvaline, and
j) norleucine;

R is hydrogen or $-(C=O)R^1$; and

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R¹ is C₁-C₆-alkyl or aryl.

5 18. The conjugate according to Claim 17 wherein:

oligopeptide is an oligomer that comprises an amino acid sequence selected from:

- 10 a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 13),
- b) LysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 14),
- c) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnXaaSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu
15 (SEQ.ID.NO.: 15) ,
- d) GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyr|SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu
 (SEQ.ID.NO.: 2),
- 20 e) AsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 127),
- f) AsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 128),
- g) SerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 129), and
- 25 h) hArgTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 141);

wherein hArg is homoarginine and Xaa is any natural amino acid;

30 X_L is absent or is an amino acid selected from:

- a) leucine,
 b) isoleucine, and
 d) valine; and

R is acetyl, pivaloyl or benzoyl.

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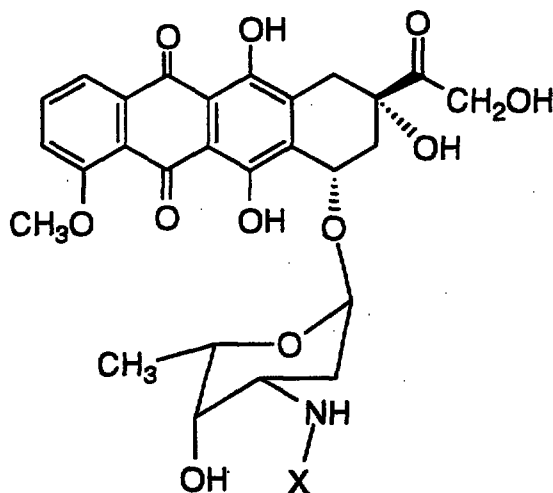
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19. The conjugate according to Claim 16 which is selected from:

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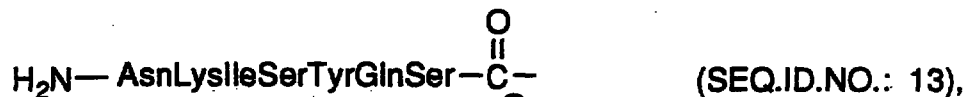
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wherein X is:

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(SEQ.ID.NO.: 13),



(SEQ.ID.NO.: 16),



(SEQ.ID.NO.: 17),

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(SEQ.ID.NO.:10),



(SEQ.ID.NO.: 3),

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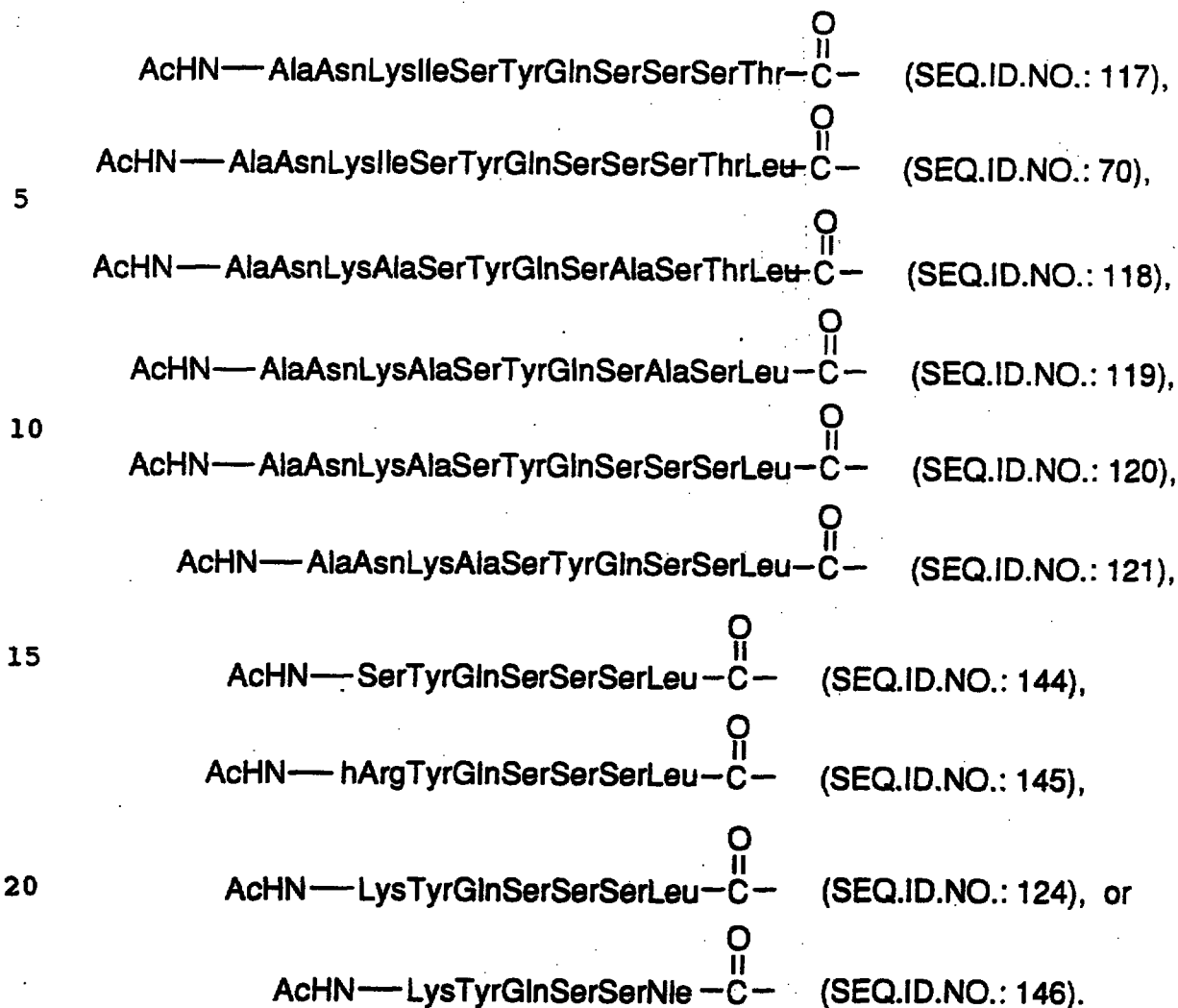
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25 20. The conjugate according to Claim 15 of the formula
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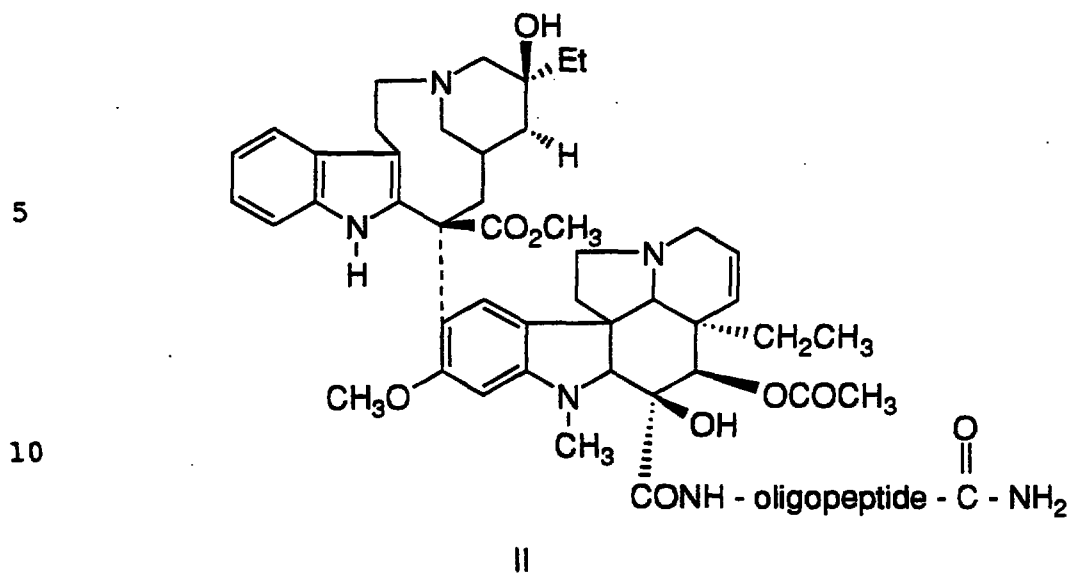
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wherein:

oligopeptide is an oligopeptide which is specifically recognized by the free prostate specific antigen (PSA) and is capable of being proteolytically cleaved by the enzymatic activity of the free prostate specific antigen.

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1: MetLysProAsnIleIlePheValLeuSerLeuLeuLeuIleLeuGluLysGlnAlaAla -
21: ValMetGlyGlnLysGlyGlySerLysGlyArgLeuProSerGluPheSerGlnPhePro -
41: HisGlyGlnLysGlyGlnHisTyrSerGlyGlnLysGlyLysGlnGlnThrGluSerLys -
61: GlySerPheSerIleGlnTyrThrTyrHisValAspAlaAsnAspHisAspGlnSerArg -
81: LysSerGlnGlnTyrAspLeuAsnAlaLeuHisLysThrThrLysSerGlnArgHisLeu -
101: GlyGlySerGlnGlnLeuLeuHisAsnLysGlnGluGlyArgAspHisAspLysSerLys -
121: GlyHisPheHisArgValValIleHisHisLysGlyGlyLysAlaHisArgGlyThrGln -
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141: AsnProSerGlnAspGlnGlyAsnSerProSerGlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyrSer -
161: AsnThrGluGluArgLeuTrpValHisGlyLeuSerLysGluGlnThrSerValSerGly -
181: AlaGlnLysGlyArgLysGlnGlyGlySerGlnSerSerTyrValLeuGlnThrGluGlu -
201: LeuValAlaAsnLysGlnGlnArgGluThrLysAsnSerHisGlnAsnLysGlyHisTyr -
221: GlnAsnValValGluValArgGluGluHisSerSerLysValGlnThrSerLeuCysPro -
241: AlaHisGlnAspLysLeuGlnHisGlySerLysAspIlePheSerThrGlnAspGluLeu -

FIG. 1a

261: LeuValTyrAsnLysAsnGlnHisGlnThrLysAsnLeuAsnGlnAspGlnGlnHisGly -
CS#3
281: ArgLysAlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGluGluArgArgLeuHisTyr -
CS#4
301: GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyrSer|GlnThrGluGlu -
321: LysAlaGlnGlyLysSerGlnLysGlnIleThrIleProSerGlnGluGlnGluHisSer -
CS#1
341: GlnLysAlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGluGluArgArgLeuHisTyr -
CS#2
361: GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyrSer|GlnThrGluLys -
381: LeuValAlaGlyLysSerGlnIleGlnAlaProAsnProLysGlnGluProTrpHisGly -
401: GluAsnAlaLysGlyGluSerGlyGlnSerThrAsnArgGluGlnAspLeuLeuSerHis -
421: GluGlnLysGlyArgHisGlnHisGlySerHisGlyGlyLeuAspIleValIleIleGlu -
441: GlnGluAspAspSerAspArgHisLeuAlaGlnHisLeuAsnAsnAspArgAsnProLeu -
461: PheThr -

FIG.1b

		<u>PERCENT PEPTIDE HYDROLYSIS</u>					
		<u>TIME OF INCUBATION (HOURS)</u>					
	PEPTIDE	0.5	1	2	3	4	20
1.	SYQSSSTE	ND	0	ND	0	ND	0
2.	ISYQSSSTE	ND	0	ND	0	ND	0
3.	KISYQSSSTE	ND	10	ND	30	ND	90
4.	NKISYQSSSTE	ND	30	ND	70	ND	100
5.	NKISYQSSST	ND	20	30	ND	ND	100
6.	ANKISYQSSSTE	15	25	ND	ND	80	100
7.	ANKISYQSSS	4	6	16	30	45	ND
8.	NKISYQSSS	2	6	22	44	55	ND
9.	ANKISYQSS	1	ND	12	ND	39	ND
10	GRKANKISYQS- SSTEERRLHYGEN G	20	50	ND	ND	90	100

FIG.2

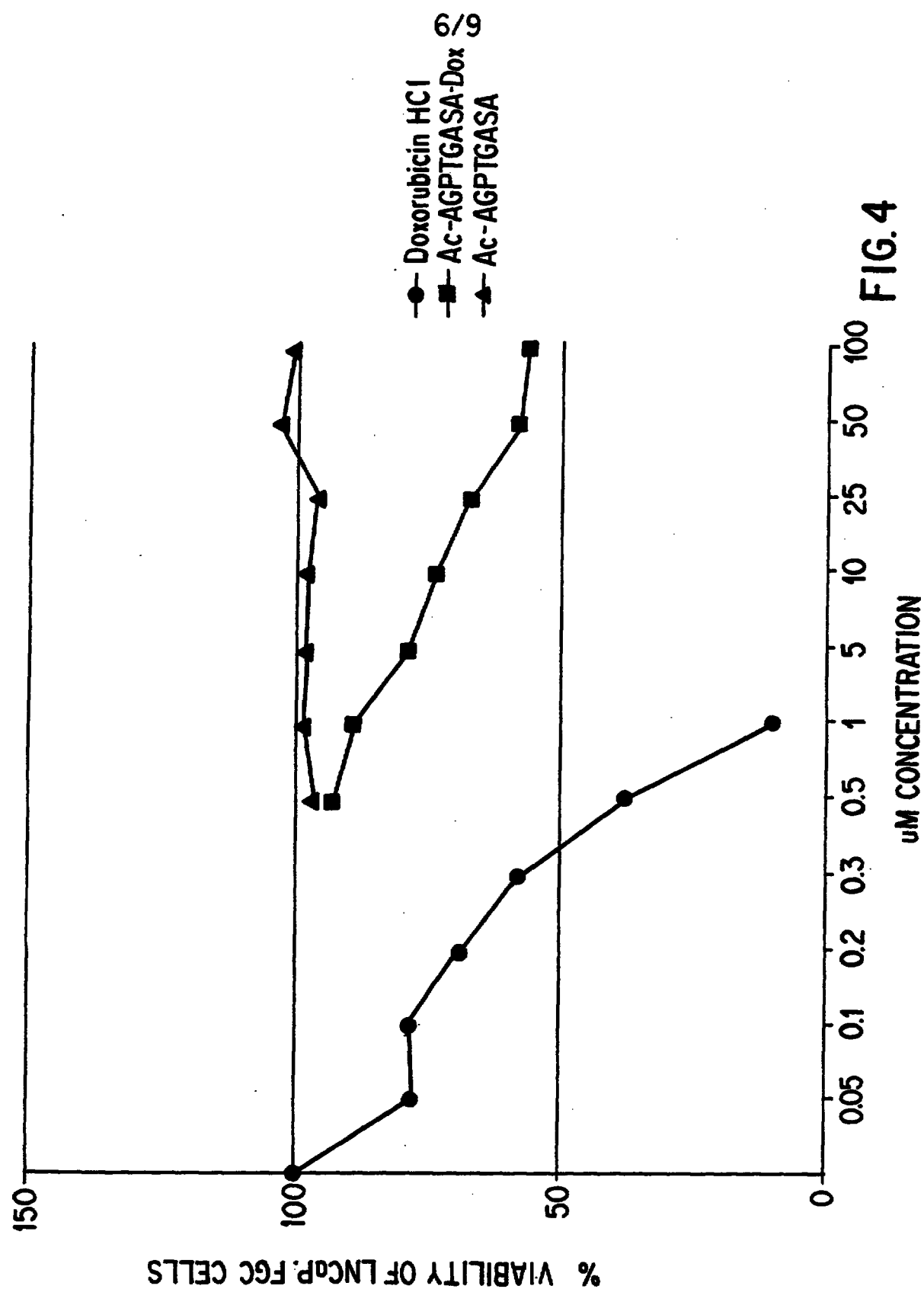
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PEPTIDE	SEQ. ID. NO.	% PEPTIDE CLEAVED AT 4 HOURS BY YORK PSA
SEMENOGELIN (463 aa)		100 (30 min)
GRKANKISYQ-SSSTEERRLHYGENG	6	100 (2 hrs)
SQKANKISYQ-SSSTEERRLHYGENG	67	100 (3hrs)
ANKISYQ-SSSTE	11	98
ISYQ-SSST	68	0
NKISYQ-SSST	10	62
NKISYQ-SSSTE	3	90
KISYQ-SSSTE	9	49
SYQ-SSSTE	7	0 (3 hrs)
ISYQ-SSSTE	8	0
NKISYQ-SSS	17	55
ANKISYQ-SSS	18	45
ANKISYQ-SS	69	39
ANKISYQ-SSSTE-amide	11	43
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSSTL	70	57
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSSTE-amide	11	40
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSSTL-amide	70	46
Ac-ANGISYQ-SSSTE-amide	71	0
Ac-ANPISYQ-SSSTE-amide	72	0
Ac-ANKISYQ-SASTE-amide	73	66
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSKTE-amide	74	80
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSTE-amide	75	44
Ac-ANKI(dS)YQ-SSSTE-amide	76	9
Ac-ANK(dI)SYQ-SSSTE-amide	77	0
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSQTE-amide	78	55
Ac-ANKISYQ-SAKTE-amide	79	80
Ac-AN(dK)ISYQ-SSSTE-amide	80	3
Ac-ANKISYQ-STE-amide	81	28
Ac-ANKIYQ-SSTE-amide	82	0
Ac-ANKSYQ-SSTE-amide	83	10
Ac-ANKASYQ-SASTE-amide	84	98
Ac-ANEISYQ-SASTE-amide	85	10
Ac-NKISYQ-SS-amide	16	30
Ac-KISYQ-SS-amide	86	15
Ac-SYQ-SSTE-amide	87	65
Ac-SYQ-SSTL-acid	88	83
Ac-ASYQ-SSTE-amide	89	68
Ac-EISYQ-SSSTE-amide	90	0
Ac-ANEISYQ-SSSTE-amide	91	0
Ac-ANKISYY-SSSTE-amide	92	73
Ac-ANKISYY-SASTE-amide	93	91

FIG.3a
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PEPTIDE	L-NUMBER	% PEPTIDE CLEAVED AT 4 HOURS BY YORK PSA
Ac-ASYQ-SSL-acid	94	71
Ac-ANSYQ-SSSTE-amide	95	28
Ac-ASYQ-SSSTE-amide	96	64
Ac-SYQ-SSSTE-amide	97	50
Ac-ANKASYQ-SASC-amide	98	78
Ac-Q-SSTE-amide	99	0
Ac-YQ-SSTE-amide	100	0
Ac-SQ-SSTE-amide	101	0
Ac-ANKISQ-SSTE-amide	102	0
Ac-AN(ORN)ISYQ-SSTE-amide	103	34
Ac-S(3PAL)Q-SSTE-amide	104	4
Ac-S(3,4-C12F)Q-SSTE-amide	105	6
Ac-SKQ-SSTE-amide	106	0
Ac-SYQ-SSTL-acid	88	81
Ac-SYQ-SSSL-acid	107	98
(e-ACA)-YQ-SSSL-amide	108	0
ANK(N-Me-I)SYQ-SSTE-amide	109	0
SYQ-SSTE-amide	110	0
HO(CH ₂) ₂ CO-YQ-SSTE-amide	111	0
Ac-SYK-SSTE-amide	112	5
Ac-SYY-SSTE-amide	113	93
Ac-SYQ-SSL-NH ₂	114	32
Ac-SYQ-SSL-acid	115	72
DAP-YQ-SSSL-amide	116	0

FIG.3b



DOXORUBICIN-CONGENER	SEQ.ID.NO	% PEPTIDE CLEAVED AT 4 HOURS BY YORK PSA
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSST-DOX (3')	117	20(1 hr) NO SAMPLE LEFT
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSSTL-DOX (3')	70	87
Ac-ANKASYQ-SASTL-DOX (3')	118	NA
Ac-ANKASYQ-SASL-DOX (3')	119	100 (3 hr)
Ac-ANKASYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	120	100 (3 hrs)
Ac-ANKASYQ-SSL-DOX (3')	121	91
Ac-SYQ-SST(dL)-DOX (3')	122	17
Ac-SYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	107	95 (PARTIALLY SOLUBLE)
Ac-ANKASYA-SSSL-DOX (3')	123	0
Ac-KYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	124	98 (PARTIALLY SOLUBLE)
Ac-SYQ-SSKL-DOX (3')	125	88
Ac-SYQ-SSK(dL)-DOX (3')	126	87

FIG.5

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DOXORUBICIN-CONGENER	SEQ. ID. NO	% PEPTIDE CLEAVED/	
		LNCOP MEDIA 4 HR	DUPRO MEDIA 4 HR
Ac-ANKASYQ-SASL-DOX (3')	119	92	13
Ac-ANKASYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	121	98	13
Ac-ANKASYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	122	95	27
Ac-SYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	107	63	0

FIG.6

<u>DOXORUBICIN-CONGENER</u>	<u>SEQ. ID. NO</u>	<u>LNCaP CELL KILL EC50 (μM)</u>
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSST-DOX (3')	117	> 100
Ac-ANKISYQ-SSSTL-DOX (3')	70	8.4
Ac-ANKASYQ-SASTL-DOX (3')	118	31
Ac-ANKASYQ-SASL-DOX (3')	119	16 (DuPRO > 100)
Ac-ANKASYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	120	15
Ac-ANKASYQ-SSL-DOX (3')	121	6.5 (DuPRO = 117)
Ac-SYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	107	20 (DuPRO > 100) (PARTIALLY SOLUBLE)
Ac-ANKASYA-SSSL-DOX (3')	123	> 100
Ac-KYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	124	6.5 (DuPRO > 100)
Ac-SYQ-SSKL-DOX (3')	125	11.8 (DuPRO > 100)
Ac-SYQ-SSK(dL)-DOX (3')	126	>100 (DuPRO > 100)
Ac-hRYQ-SSSL-DOX (3')	145	6.4 (DuPRO > 100)
Ac-KYQ-SSS(Nle)-DOX (3')	146	4.4 (DuPRO > 100)

FIG.7



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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An oligopeptide that comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen.

2. The oligopeptide according to Claim 1 wherein the sequence of amino acids is

- a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 13),
- b) LysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 14),
- c) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnXaaSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 15),
- d) GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyr|SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 2),
- e) AsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 127),
- f) AsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 128),
- g) SerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 129);
- h) LysTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 140); or
- i) hArgTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 141);

wherein hArg is homoarginine and Xaa is any natural amino acid.

3. The oligopeptide according to Claim 2 wherein the sequence of amino acids is

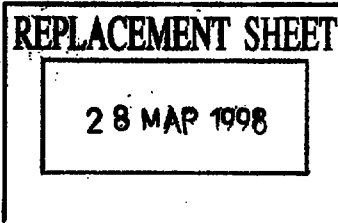
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- a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 16),
- b) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 130),
- c) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 17),
- d) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 18),
- e) LysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 19),
- f) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 4),
- g) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnSerSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 5),
- h) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 131),
- i) AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 132),
- j) SerTyrGln|SerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 133),
- k) SerTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 134),
- l) LysTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 142),
- m) hArgTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 143), or
- n) SerTyrGln|SerSerLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 135).

4. The oligopeptide according to Claim 2 wherein the amino acid sequence is





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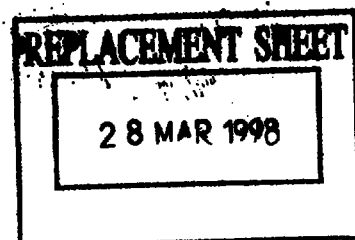
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- b) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 136),
- c) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 3),
- d) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11),
- e) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnArgSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 4),
- f) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 137),
- g) AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 138),
- h) AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAla (SEQ.ID.NO.: 139), or
- i) AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 94).

5. The oligopeptide according to Claim 2 wherein the amino acid sequence is

- a) GlyArgLysAlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGluGluArgArg
LeuHisTyr GlyGluAsnGly (SEQ.ID.NO.: 6).

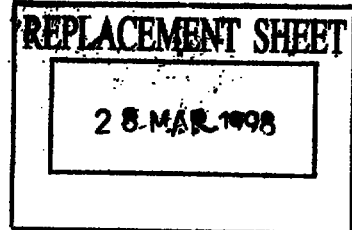
6. The oligopeptide according to Claim 1 which is selected from:

- AsnArgIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 21),
- AsnLysValSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 22),
- AsnLysMetSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 23),
- AsnLysLeuSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 24),
- AsnLysIleThrTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 25),





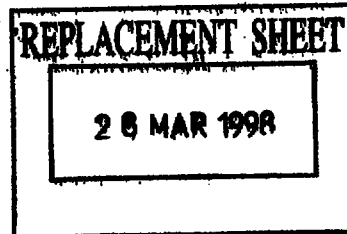
AsnLysIleSerPheGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 26),
AsnLysIleSerTrpGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 27),
AsnLysIleSerTyrAsn|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 28),
AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 29),
AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 30),
GlnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 31),
AsnArgIleThrTyrGln|SerSerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 32),
AsnArgIleSerPheGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 33),
AsnArgIleSerTrpGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 35),
AsnArgIleSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 36),
AsnLysIleThrTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 37),
AsnLysLeuSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 38),
GlnLysLeuSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 39),
AsnArgLeuSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 40),
AsnLysValSerPheGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 41),
AsnArgValSerTrpGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 42),
GlnLysValSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 43),
GlnLysIleSerTyrGln|ThrSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 34), or
AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThr (SEQ.ID.NO.: 44).



7. The oligopeptide according to Claim 1 which is

AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 70)

Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 11)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrLeu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 70)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 73)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerLysThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 74)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 75)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSerGlnThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 78)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerAlaLysThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 79)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 81)
Ac-AlaAsnLysSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 82)



Ac-AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 84)
Ac-AlaAsnGluIleSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 85)
Ac-AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 16)
Ac-LysIleSerTyrGln|SerSer-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 86)
Ac-SerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 87)
Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 89)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 92)
Ac-AlaAsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|SerAlaSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 93)
Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerLeu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 94)
Ac-AlaAsnSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 95)
Ac-AlaSerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 96)
Ac-SerTyrGln|SerSerSerThrGlu-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 97) or
Ac-AlaAsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|SerAlaSerCys-amide (SEQ.ID.NO.: 98).

8. An assay for determining proteolytic activity of free prostate specific antigen in a sample, comprising the steps of:

- (a), reacting a substrate, wherein the substrate is an oligopeptide that comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen, with the sample; and
- (b), detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved.

9. The assay according to Claim 8 wherein the step of detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved comprises analyzing the assay mixture by high performance liquid chromatography.

10. An assay for identifying compounds which inhibit the proteolytic activity of prostate specific antigen, comprising:

- (a), reacting a substrate, wherein the substrate comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen, with free prostate



specific antigen in the presence of a test substance;

and

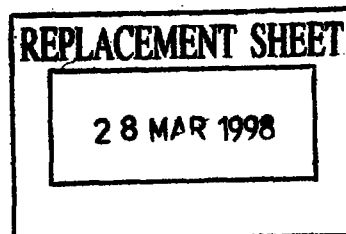
- (b), detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved, in which the ability of the test substance to inhibit proteolytic activity of prostate specific antigen is indicated by a decrease in the cleavage of the substrate as compared to the cleavage of the substrate in the absence of the test substance.

11. The assay according to Claim 10 wherein the step of detecting whether the substrate has been cleaved comprises analyzing the assay mixture by high performance liquid chromatography.

12. A conjugate which is useful for the treatment of prostate cancer which comprises a cytotoxic agent attached to a oligopeptide, wherein the oligopeptide comprises a sequence of amino acids that is recognized and selectively proteolytically cleaved by free prostate specific antigen and provided that the oligopeptide does not comprise semenogelin I or semenogelin II, wherein the means of attachment is a covalent bond or a chemical linker.

13. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the cytotoxic agent is a member of a class of cytotoxic agents selected from the following classes:

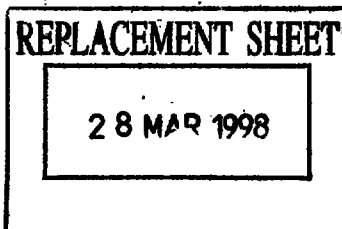
- a) anthracycline family of drugs,
- b) the vinca alkaloid drugs,
- c) the mitomycins,
- d) the bleomycins,
- e) the cytotoxic nucleosides,
- f) the pteridine family of drugs,
- g) diynenes,
- h) estramustine,
- i) cyclophosphamide, and
- j) the podophyllotoxins.





14. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the cytotoxic agent is selected from the following cytotoxic agents:

- a) doxorubicin,
- b) carminomycin;
- c) daunorubicin,
- d) aminopterin,
- e) methotrexate,
- f) methopterin,
- g) dichloro-methotrexate,
- h) mitomycin C,
- i) porfiromycin,
- j) 5-fluorouracil,
- k) 6-mercaptopurine,
- l) cytosine arabinoside,
- m) podophyllotoxin,
- n) etoposide,
- o) etoposide phosphate,
- p) melphalan,
- q) vinblastine,
- r) vincristine,
- s) leurosine,
- t) vindesine,
- u) estramustine,
- v) cisplatin,
- w) cyclophosphamide, and
- x) leurosine.



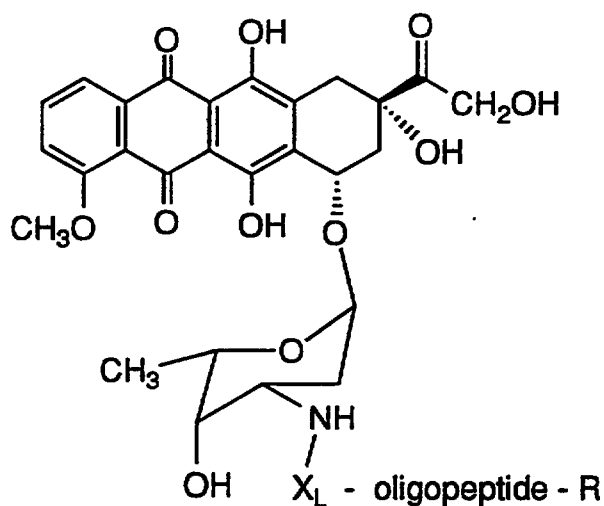
15. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the cytotoxic agent is selected from doxorubicin and vinblastine or a cytotoxic derivative thereof.

16. The conjugate according to Claim 12 wherein the cytotoxic agent is doxorubicin or a cytotoxic derivative thereof.



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17. The conjugate according to Claim 16 of the formula I:



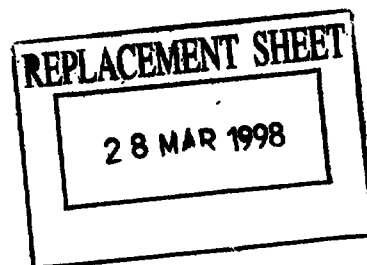
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wherein:

oligopeptide is an oligopeptide which is specifically recognized by the free prostate specific antigen (PSA) and is capable of being proteolytically cleaved by the enzymatic activity of the free prostate specific antigen;

X_L is absent or is an amino acid selected from:

- a) phenylalanine,
- b) leucine,
- c) valine,
- d) isoleucine,
- e) (2-naphthyl)alanine,
- f) cyclohexylalanine,
- g) diphenylalanine,
- h) norvaline, and
- j) norleucine;



R is hydrogen or $-(C=O)R^1$; and



R¹ is C₁-C₆-alkyl or aryl.

18. The conjugate according to Claim 17 wherein:

oligopeptide is an oligomer that comprises an amino acid sequence selected from:

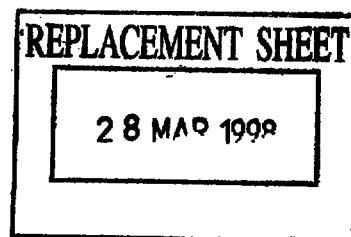
- a) AsnLysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 13),
- b) LysIleSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 14),
- c) GlyGluAsnGlyValGlnLysAspValSerGlnXaaSerIleTyr|SerGlnThrGlu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 15) ,
- d) GlyLysGlyIleSerSerGlnTyr|SerAsnThrGluGluArgLeu (SEQ.ID.NO.: 2),
- e) AsnLysIleSerTyrTyr|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 127),
- f) AsnLysAlaSerTyrGln|Ser (SEQ.ID.NO.: 128),
- g) SerTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 129), and
- h) hArgTyrGln|SerSer (SEQ.ID.NO.: 141);

wherein hArg is homoarginine and Xaa is any natural amino acid;

X_L is absent or is an amino acid selected from:

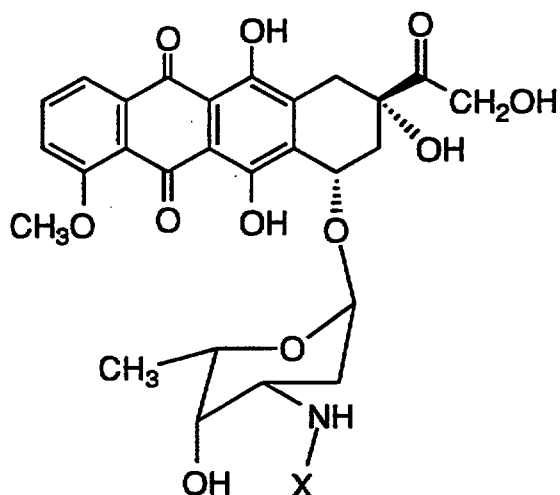
- a) leucine,
- b) isoleucine, and
- d) valine; and

R is acetyl, pivaloyl or benzoyl.

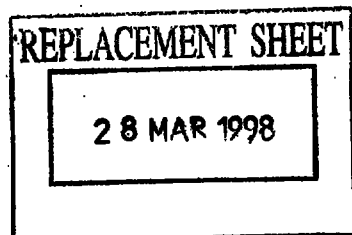
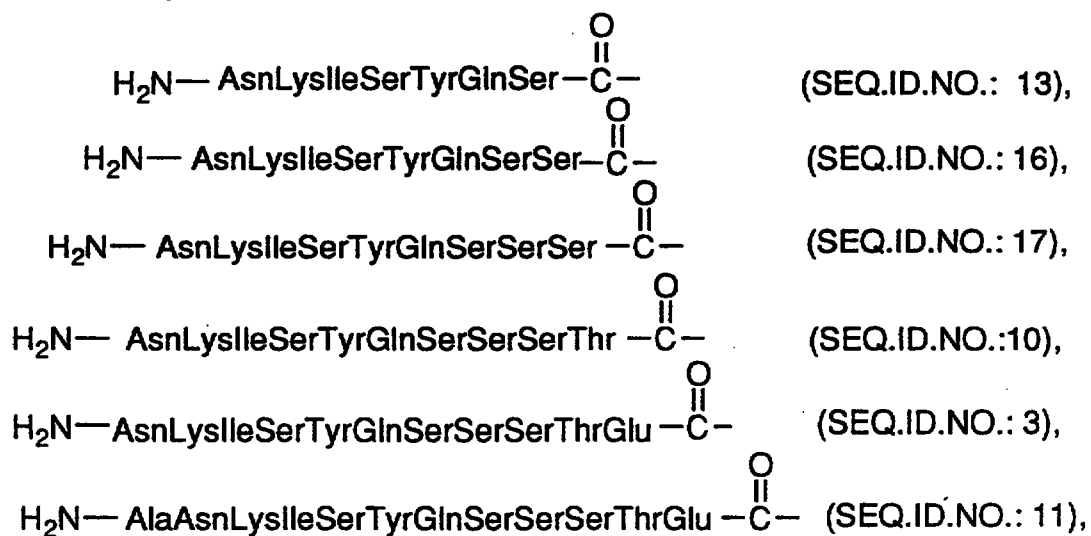




19. The conjugate according to Claim 16 which is selected from:

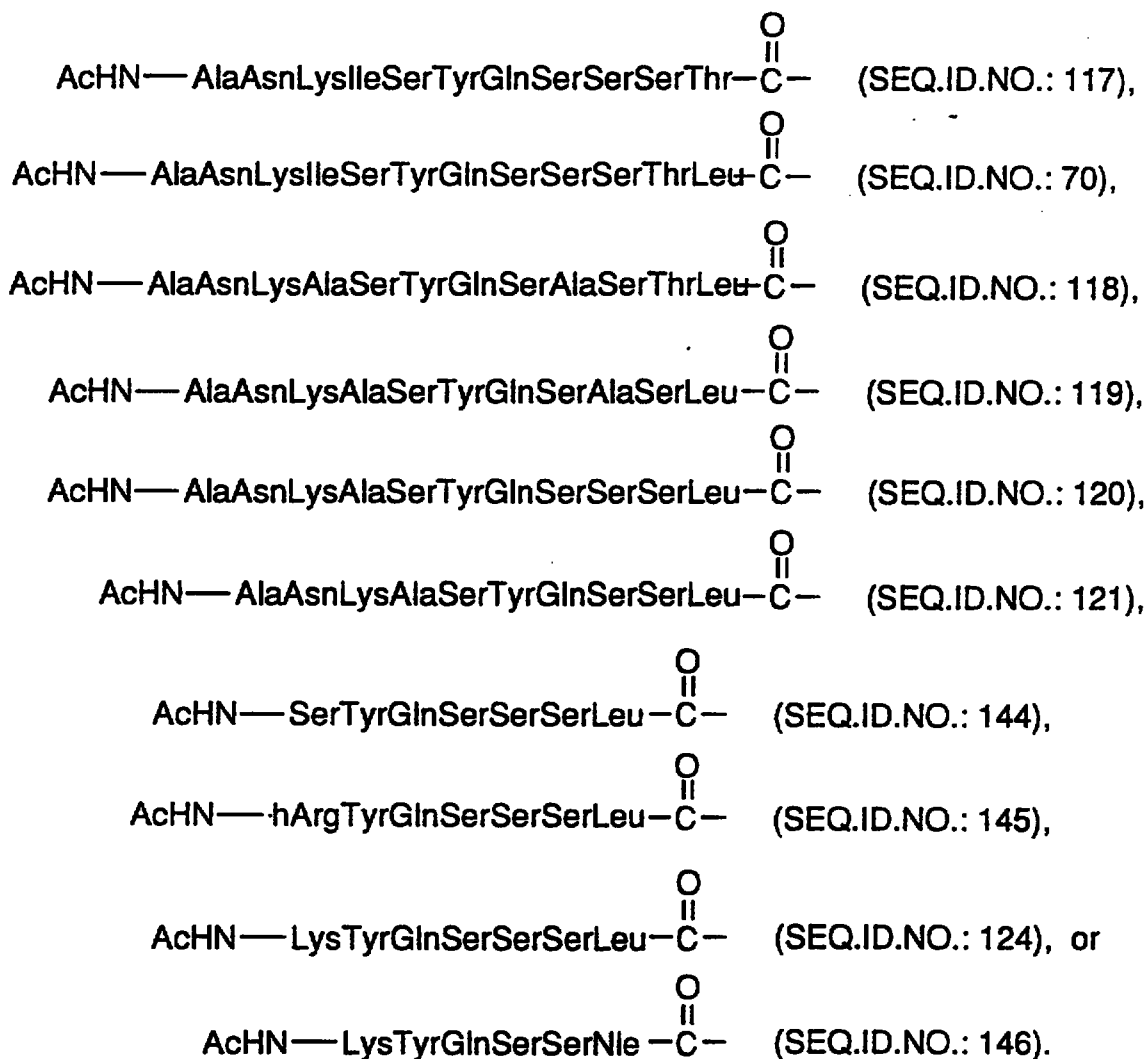


wherein X is:

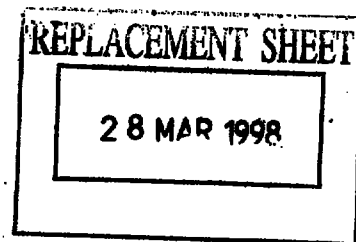




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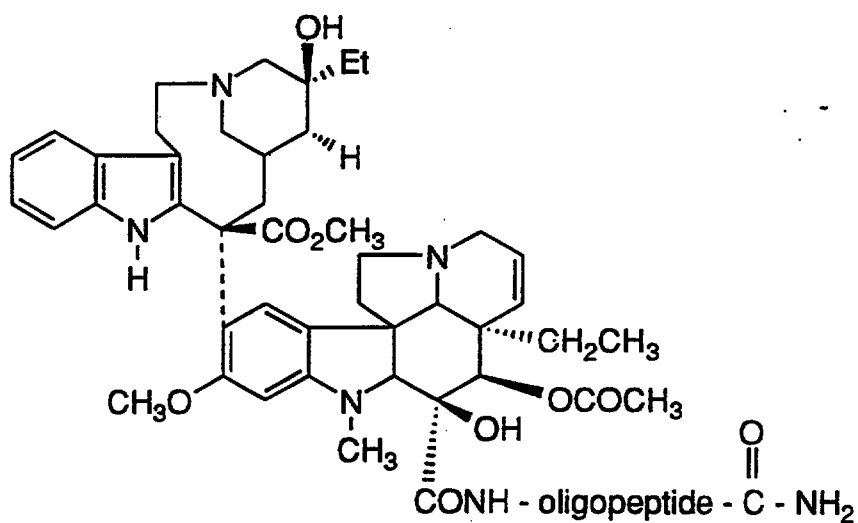


II: 20. The conjugate according to Claim 15 of the formula





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wherein:

oligopeptide is an oligopeptide which is specifically recognized by the free prostate specific antigen (PSA) and is capable of being proteolytically cleaved by the enzymatic activity of the free prostate specific antigen.

