

[0042] Consequently, despite all prior advances, a need remains for improved compositions capable of more vigorously directing the body's immune system to attack cancer cells or pathogen-infected cells, especially at lower therapeutic concentrations. As described in detail below, the present invention addresses this need by providing Tri-Specific Binding Molecules that bind to: (1) an epitope of CD3, (2) an epitope of CD8, and (3) an epitope of a Disease-Associated Antigen that is expressed on a target cell (especially a cancer cell, or a pathogen-infected cell) and mediate coordinated binding of cytotoxic T cells to cells presenting the Disease-Associated Antigen.

Summary:

[0043] The present disclosure relates to Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, which are multi-chain polypeptide molecules that possess three Binding Domains and are thus capable of mediating coordinated binding to three epitopes. The Binding Domains may be selected such that the Tri-Specific Binding Molecules are capable of binding to any three different epitopes. Such epitopes may be epitopes of the same antigen or epitopes of two or three different antigens. The disclosure also provides a novel ROR1-binding antibody, as well as derivatives thereof and uses for such compositions.

[0044] The present disclosure particularly relates to the example of such Tri-Specific Binding Molecules in which the three epitopes are selected such that one or two of such epitopes are epitope(s) of an immune system cell, and especially, a cytotoxic lymphocyte immune system cell (CTL), and in which the remaining epitope(s) are epitope(s) of a Disease-Associated Antigen. Such particularly preferred Tri-Specific Binding Molecules are capable of localizing a cytotoxic lymphocyte cell to a cell that expresses a Disease-Associated Antigen, and of thereby facilitating the killing of cells that express the Disease-Associated Antigen. The Disease-Associated Antigen may be a cancer antigen, or may be an antigen that is characteristic of a pathogen (*e.g.*, bacterial, fungal, viral or protozoan) infection. More particularly, the disclosure relates to such Tri-Specific Binding Molecules that are capable of mediating coordinated binding to: (1) an epitope of CD3, (2) an epitope of CD8, and (3) an epitope of a Disease-Associated Antigen. By binding to CD3 and CD8, and to the Disease-Associated Antigen, such molecules co-localize cytotoxic T cells to cells

(E) the VL_I Domain and the VH_I Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain I, the VL_{II} Domain and the VH_{II} Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain II, the VL_{III} Domain and the VH_{III} Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain III, and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain associate to form the Fc Domain; and

(F) the first, second and third antigens are the same antigen, or are independently the same or different from another of the antigens.

[0045c] In yet another example, there is provided a Tri-Specific Binding Molecule capable of immunospecifically binding to three different epitopes, comprising:

(I) four different polypeptide chains covalently complexed together;

(II) an Antigen-Binding Domain I that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope I present on a first antigen, and an Antigen-Binding Domain II that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope II present on a second antigen;

(III) a Receptor-Type Binding Domain; and

(IV) a Fc Domain; wherein:

(A) a first polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain)—(Linker 3)—(CH2-CH3 Domain); or

(CH2-CH3 Domain)—(Linker 4)—(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain); or

(Cysteine-Containing Domain)—(CH2-CH3 Domain)—(Linker 4)—(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain);

(B) a second polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(VL_{II} Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_I Domain)—(Linker 2)—(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain);

(2) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to an epitope of a CD3 antigen (VHII) and a linker between the VLI and the VHII;

(3) a first Cysteine-Containing Domain;

(4) a Heterodimer-Promoting Domain;

(5) a second Cysteine-Containing Domain; and

(6) CH2 and CH3 Domains of an IgG;

(B) a second polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(1) a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to the epitope of the CD3 antigen (VLII);

(2) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to the epitope of the 5T4 antigen (VHI) and a linker between the VLII and the VHI;

(3) a Cysteine-Containing Domain; and

(4) a Heterodimer-Promoting Domain, wherein the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain of the second polypeptide chain is complementary to the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain of the first polypeptide chain;

(C) a third polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(1) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to an epitope of a CD8 antigen (VHIII);

(2) a CH1 Domain;

(3) a CH2-CH3 Domain of an IgG; and

(D) a fourth polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(1) a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to the epitope of the CD8 antigen (VLIII); and

(2) a Cysteine-Containing Light Chain Constant Domain (CL);

wherein:

(i) the VLI and VHI Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the epitope of the 5T4 antigen;

(ii) the VLII and VHII Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the epitope of the CD3 antigen;

(iii) the VLIII and VHIII Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the epitope of the CD8 antigen;

(iv) the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain associate to form an Fc Domain;

(v) the first and second polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another;

(vi) the first and third polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another;

and

(vii) the third and fourth polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another.

[0046] The disclosure particularly concerns the example of such Tri-Specific Binding Molecule, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of a cellular receptor.

[0047] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of such Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of a Disease-Associated Antigen (and especially wherein the Disease-Associated Antigen is a cancer antigen that is arrayed on the surface of a cancer cell, or is a pathogen antigen that is arrayed on the surface of a pathogen or pathogen-infected cell).

[0048] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of such Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein the Fc Domain is capable of binding to an Fc Receptor arrayed on the surface of a cell.

[0049] The disclosure especially concerns the examples of such Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of CD3, a second of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of CD8, and the third of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen, and wherein the Antigen-Binding Domains I, II and III of the Tri-Specific Binding Molecules mediate coordinated binding of a cytotoxic T cell and a cell expressing the Disease-Associated Antigen. The disclosure particularly concerns the examples of such Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein the CD3, the CD8 are arrayed on the surface of a T cell and wherein the Disease-Associated Antigen is arrayed on the surface of a cancer cell, pathogen or pathogen-infected cell, and wherein the immunospecific binding is sufficient to co-localize the CD3 and the CD8, and the Disease-Associated Antigen, thereby facilitating the activation of the CD8-arraying T cell against the Disease-Associated Antigen-arraying cell.

[0050] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of above-described Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein the Non-Diabody-Type Binding Domain III comprises the Fab-Type Binding Domain (VL_{III}/VH_{III}) that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the Epitope III, wherein the molecule comprises:

(A) a first polypeptide chain:

(I) that comprises in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

- (1) a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to a first of the three epitopes (VL_I);
- (2) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to a second of the three epitopes (VH_{II});
- (3)
 - (a) a first Cysteine-Containing Domain; and a Heterodimer-Promoting Domain; or
 - (b) a Cysteine-Containing Heterodimer-Promoting Domain;
- (5) a second Cysteine-Containing Domain; and
- (6) CH2 and CH3 Domains of an IgG;

or

(II) that comprises in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

- (1) a first Cysteine-Containing Domain;

- (1) a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to the third of the three epitopes (VL_{III}); and
- (2) a Cysteine-Containing Light Chain Constant Domain (CL);

wherein:

- (i) the VL_I and VH_I Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the Epitope I;
- (ii) the VL_{II} and VH_{II} Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the Epitope II;
- (iii) the VL_{III} and VH_{III} Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the Epitope III;
- (iv) the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain associate to form an Fc Domain;
- (v) the first and second polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another;
- (vi) the first and third polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another; and
- (vii) the third and fourth polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another.

[0051] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of above-described Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein:

- (A) the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain is an E-coil and the complementary Heterodimer-Promoting Domain is a K-coil; or
- (B) the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain is a K-coil and the complementary Heterodimer-Promoting Domain is an E-coil.

[0052] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of above-described Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein:

- (A) the CH2-CH3 Domains of the first and third polypeptide chains each have the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:6**, such that the Fc Domain formed from their association exhibits normal FcγR-mediated effector function; or
- (B) the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first and third polypeptide chains comprise at least one amino acid substitution, relative to the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:6**, such that the Fc Domain formed from their association exhibits altered FcγR-mediated effector function.

[0053] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of above-described Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first and third polypeptide chains differ from one another and have an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of **SEQ ID NO:7** and **SEQ ID NO:8**.

[0054] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of above-described Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein:

- (A) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD3, an epitope of CD8 and an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen;
- (B) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD3, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen and an epitope of CD8;
- (C) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD8, an epitope of CD3, and an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen;
- (D) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD8, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen and an epitope of CD3;
- (E) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen, an epitope of CD3, and an epitope of CD8; or
- (F) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen, an epitope of CD8, and an epitope of CD3.

[0055] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of above-described Tri-Specific Binding Molecules, wherein:

- (A) the epitope of CD3 is a CD3 epitope recognized by antibody OKT3, M291, YTH12.5, CD3 mAb 1 or CD3 mAb 2; or
- (B) the epitope of CD8 is a CD8 epitope recognized by antibody TRX2 or OKT8.

[0056] The disclosure additionally concerns a pharmaceutical composition that comprises the above-described Tri-Specific Binding Molecule and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or diluent.

[0057] The disclosure additionally concerns a method of treating cancer which comprises administering an effective amount of the above-described pharmaceutical composition to an individual in need thereof, wherein the Disease-Associated Antigen is the cancer antigen.

[0058] The disclosure additionally concerns a method of treating a disease-associated with the presence of a pathogen which comprises administering an effective amount of the pharmaceutical composition of claim 15 to an individual in need thereof, wherein the Disease-Associated Antigen is the pathogen antigen.

[0059] The disclosure additionally concerns an anti-ROR1 antibody, or ROR1-binding fragment, wherein the antibody comprises:

- (A) a Light Chain Variable Domain that comprises a CDR_{L1} having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:117**, a CDR_{L2} having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:118**, and a CDR_{L3} having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:119**; and
- (B) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain that comprises a CDR_{H1} having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:120**, a CDR_{H2} having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:121**, and a CDR_{H3} having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:122**.

[0060] The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of such anti-ROR1 antibody or ROR1-binding fragment thereof, wherein the antibody has a Light Chain Variable Domain having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:51**. The disclosure additionally concerns the examples of such anti-ROR1 antibodies or ROR1-binding fragments thereof, wherein the antibody has a Heavy Chain Variable Domain having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:52**, or both a Light Chain Variable Domain having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:51** and a Heavy Chain Variable Domain having the sequence of **SEQ ID NO:52**.

[0061] The disclosure additionally concerns a diabody, BiTe or single-chain antibody that comprises the ROR1 binding fragment of any of such claims anti-ROR1 antibodies.

[0061a] Disclosed is a binding molecule capable of binding an epitope of CD3, comprising:

- (A) a Light Chain Variable Domain comprising: a CDRL1 having the sequence RSSTGAVTTSNYAN, a CDRL2 having the sequence GTNKRAP, and a CDRL3 having the sequence ALWYSNLWV; and

What Is Claimed Is:

Claim 1. A Tri-Specific Binding Molecule capable of immunospecifically binding to three different epitopes, comprising:

- (I) four different polypeptide chains covalently complexed together;
- (II) an Antigen-Binding Domain I that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope I present on a first antigen, and an Antigen-Binding Domain II that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope II present on a second antigen;
- (III) an Antigen-Binding Domain III that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope III present on a third antigen; and
- (IV) a Fc Domain, wherein:
 - (A) a first polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:
(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—
(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain)—(Linker 3)—(CH2-CH3 Domain); or
(CH2-CH3 Domain)—(Linker 4)—(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—
(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain);
or
(Cysteine-Containing Domain)—(CH2-CH3 Domain)—(Linker 4)—(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—
(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain);
 - (B) a second polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:
(VL_{II} Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_I Domain)—(Linker 2)—
(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain);
 - (C) a third polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:
(VH_{III} Domain)—(Cysteine-Containing Domain)—(CH2-CH3 Domain);

(D) a fourth polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(VL_{III} Domain)—(Cysteine-Containing Domain);

(E) the VL_I Domain is a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope I, the VH_I Domain is a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope I, the VL_{II} Domain is a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope II, the VH_{II} Domain is a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope II, the VL_{III} Domain is a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope III, and the VH_{III} Domain is a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope III;

(F) the VL_I Domain and the VH_I Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain I, the VL_{II} Domain and the VH_{II} Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain II, the VL_{III} Domain and the VH_{III} Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain III, and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain associate to form the Fc Domain; and

(G) the first, second and third antigens are the same antigen, or are independently the same or different from another of the antigens.

Claim 2. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 1, wherein the Cysteine-Containing Domain of the third polypeptide chain is chosen from a CH1 Domain and/or a Hinge Domain and the Cysteine-Containing Domain of the fourth polypeptide chain is a CL Domain.

Claim 3. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein (i) the first polypeptide chain and the second polypeptide chain are covalently bonded to one another; (ii) the first polypeptide chain and the third polypeptide chain are covalently bonded to one another; and

(iii) the third polypeptide chain and the fourth polypeptide chain are covalently bonded to one another.

Claim 4.

A Tri-Specific Binding Molecule capable of immunospecifically binding to three different epitopes, comprising:

(I) three different polypeptide chains covalently complexed together;

(II) an Antigen-Binding Domain I that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope I present on a first antigen, and an Antigen-Binding Domain II that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope II present on a second antigen;

(III) an Antigen-Binding Domain III that is capable of immunospecifically binding to an Epitope III present on a third antigen; and

(IV) a Fc Domain; wherein:

(A) a first polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—
(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain)—(Linker 3)—(CH2-CH3 Domain);

or

(CH2-CH3 Domain)—(Linker 4)—(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain); or
(Cysteine-Containing Domain)—(CH2-CH3 Domain)—(Linker 4)—
(VL_I Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_{II} Domain)—(Linker 2)—
(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain);

(B) a second polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(VL_{II} Domain)—(Linker 1)—(VH_I Domain)—(Linker 2)—
(Heterodimer-Promoting Domain);

(C) a third polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(VL_{III} Domain)—(Flexible Linker)—(VH_{III} Domain)—(Cysteine-Containing Domain)—(CH2-CH3 Domain); or

(Cysteine-Containing Domain 1)—(VL_{III} Domain)—(Flexible Linker)—(VH_{III} Domain)—(Cysteine-Containing Domain 2)—(Cysteine-Containing Domain)—(CH2-CH3 Domain);

(D) the VL_I Domain is a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope I, the VH_I Domain is a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope I, the VL_{II} Domain is a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope II, the VH_{II} Domain is a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope II, the VL_{III} Domain is a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope III, and the VH_{III} Domain is a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to Epitope III;

(E) the VL_I Domain and the VH_I Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain I, the VL_{II} Domain and the VH_{II} Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain II, the VL_{III} Domain and the VH_{III} Domain associate to form the Antigen-Binding Domain III, and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain associate to form the Fc Domain; and

(F) the first, second and third antigens are the same antigen, or are independently the same or different from another of the antigens.

Claim 5. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 4, wherein the Cysteine-Containing Domain 1 of the third polypeptide chain is a CL Domain and the Cysteine-Containing Domain 2 of the third polypeptide chain is chosen from a CH1 Domain and/or a Hinge Domain.

Claim 6. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-5, wherein: the Linker 2 comprises a cysteine residue, or the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain comprises a cysteine residue, or the Linker 2 comprises a cysteine residue and the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain comprises a cysteine residue.

- Claim 7. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-6, wherein:
the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain is a knob-bearing CH2-CH3 Domain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain is a hole-bearing CH2-CH3 Domain; or
the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain is a knob-bearing CH2-CH3 Domain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain is a hole-bearing CH2-CH3 Domain.
- Claim 8. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-7, wherein
the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain and the third polypeptide chain comprise at least one amino acid substitution, relative to the sequence of SEQ ID NO:6, and the Fc Domain formed from their association exhibits altered FcγR-mediated effector function.
- Claim 9. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-8, wherein:
the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain on the first polypeptide chain is an E-coil Domain and the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain on the second polypeptide chain is a K-coil Domain; or
the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain on the first polypeptide chain is an K-coil Domain and the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain on the second polypeptide chain is a E-coil Domain.
- Claim 10. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-9, wherein:
the Linker 1 comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1;
the Linker 2 comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 or 131;
the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3, 4, 115 or 116;
the Linker 3 comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5 or GGG;
the Linker 4 comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 15, 16, 131 or 132, or GGC or GGG;
the CH2-CH3 Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7 or 8;
the CH1-Hinge Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 9 or 10; or
the Cysteine-Containing Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 127, 128, 129, 130 or 133.

- Claim 11. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 10, wherein the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain of SEQ ID NO: 115 or 116 is present when Linker 2 comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 131, or the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain of SEQ ID NO: 3, 4, 115 or 116 is present when Linker 2 comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.
- Claim 12. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-11, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of:
an effector cell chosen from CD2, CD3, CD16, CD19, CD20, CD22, CD32B, CD64, B cell Receptor (BCR), T cell Receptor (TCR), or NKG2D Receptor; or CD8; or a Disease-Associated Antigen.
- Claim 13. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-12, wherein:
- (A) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD3, an epitope of CD8 and an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen;
 - (B) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD3, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen and an epitope of CD8;
 - (C) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD8, an epitope of CD3, and an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen;
 - (D) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of CD8, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen and an epitope of CD3;
 - (E) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen, an epitope of CD3, and an epitope of CD8;
- or
- (F) the Epitope I, Epitope II and Epitope III are, respectively, an epitope of the Disease-Associated Antigen, an epitope of CD8, and an epitope of CD3.

- Claim 14. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 12 or claim 13, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of CD3 and the Antigen-Binding Domain that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the epitope of CD3 comprises the six CDRs of SEQ ID NO: 17 and 18; 19 and 20; 21 and 22; 23 and 25; 24 and 25; 26 and 27; 26 and 28; or 101 and 102; or comprises:
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 17 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 18,
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 19 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 20,
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 21 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 22,
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 23 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 25,
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 24 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 25,
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 26 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 27,
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 26 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 28, or
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 101 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 102.
- Claim 15. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 12-14, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of CD8 and the Antigen-Binding Domain that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the epitope of CD8 comprises the six CDRs of SEQ ID NO: 29 and 30; or 31 and 32; or comprises:
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 29 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 30, or
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 31 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 32.

- Claim 16. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 12-15, wherein the Disease-Associated Antigen is a cancer antigen that is arrayed on the surface of a cancer cell.
- Claim 17. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 16, wherein the cancer antigen is colon cancer antigen 19.9; gastric cancer mucin antigen 4.2; colorectal carcinoma antigen A33; ADAM-9; AFP oncofetal antigen-alpha-fetoprotein; ALCAM; B7-H3; BAGE; beta-catenin; CA125; Carboxypeptidase M; B1; CD5; CD19; CD20; CD22; CD23; CD25; CD27; CD28; CD30; CD33; CD36; CD40/CD154; CD45; CD56; CD46; CD52; CD79a/CD79b; CD103; CD317; CDK4; CEA carcinoembryonic antigen; CEACAM5 and CEACAM6; CO-43 (blood group Leb) and CO-514 (blood group Lea); CTLA-1 and CTLA-4; Cytokeratin 8; DR5; E1 series (blood group B); EGF-R epidermal growth factor receptor; Ephrin receptors (and in particular EphA2); Erb (ErbB1; ErbB3; ErbB4); lung adenocarcinoma antigen F3; antigen FC10.2; GAGE (GAGE-1; GAGE-2); GD2/GD3/GD49/GM2/GM3; GICA 19-9; gp37 (human leukemia T cell antigen); gp75 (melanoma antigen); gp100; HER-2/neu; human B-lymphoma antigen-CD20; human milk fat globule antigen; human papillomavirus-E6/human papillomavirus-E7; HMW-MAA (high molecular weight melanoma antigen); I antigen (differentiation antigen); I(Ma) as found in gastric adenocarcinomas; Integrin Alpha-V-Beta-6 Integrin β 6 (ITGB6); Interleukin-13 Receptor α 2 (IL13R α 2); JAM-3; KID3; KID31; KS 1/4 pan-carcinoma antigen; KSA (17-1A); human lung carcinoma antigens L6 and L20; LEA; LUCA-2; M1:22:25:8, M18, M39; MAGE (MAGE-1; MAGE-3); MART; Myl, MUC-1; MUM-1; N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase; neoglycoprotein; NS-10; OFA-1 and OFA-2; Oncostatin M (Oncostatin Receptor Beta); p15; PSA (prostate specific antigen); PSMA; PEMA (polymorphic epithelial mucin antigen); PIPA; prostatic acid phosphate; R24; ROR1; SSEA-1, SSEA-3 and SSEA-4; sTn; T cell receptor derived peptide; T5A7; Tissue Antigens 37; TAG-72; TL5 (blood group A); TNF-receptor (TNF- α

receptor, TNF- β receptor; or TNF- γ receptor); TRA-1-85 (blood group H); Transferrin Receptor; TSTA tumor-specific transplantation antigen; VEGF-R; Y hapten, Le^y; or 5T4.

- Claim 18. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 17, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of B7-H3, A33, 5T4 or ROR1 and the Antigen-Binding Domain that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the epitope of B7-H3, A33, 5T4 or ROR1 comprises the six CDRs of SEQ ID NO: 39 and 40; 41 and 42; 43 and 44; 45 and 46; 47 and 48; 49 and 50; 51 and 52; 53 and 54; 55 and 56; or 57 and 58; or comprises:
- the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 39 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 40,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 41 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 42,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 43 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 44,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 45 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 46,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 47 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 48,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 49 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 50,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 51 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 52,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 53 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 54,
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 55 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 56, or
 - the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 57 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 58.

- Claim 19. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 12-15, wherein the Disease-Associated Antigen is a pathogen antigen that is arrayed on the surface of a pathogen or pathogen-infected cell.
- Claim 20. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 19, wherein:
the pathogen is a virus, and/or
the pathogen is human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), and/or
the pathogen antigen is HIV gp41, HIV gp120 or RSV glycoprotein F.
- Claim 21. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 20, wherein one of Epitope I, Epitope II or Epitope III is an epitope of HIV gp41, HIV gp120 or RSV glycoprotein F and the Antigen-Binding Domain that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the epitope of HIV gp41, HIV gp120 or RSV glycoprotein F comprises the six CDRs of SEQ ID NO: 33 and 34; 35 and 36; or 37 and 38; or comprises:
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 33 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 34,
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 35 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 36, or
the light chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 37 and the heavy chain variable domain of SEQ ID NO: 38.
- Claim 22. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 19-21, wherein: Epitope I is an epitope of HIV, Epitope II is an epitope of CD3, and Epitope III is an epitope of CD8, or Epitope I is an epitope of CD3, Epitope II is an epitope of HIV, and Epitope III is an epitope of CD8.
- Claim 23. A Tri-Specific Binding Molecule, comprising four polypeptide chains, wherein:
(A) a first polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:
(1) a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to an epitope of a 5T4 antigen (VLI);

(2) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to an epitope of a CD3 antigen (VHII) and a linker between the VLI and the VHII;

(3) a first Cysteine-Containing Domain;

(4) a Heterodimer-Promoting Domain;

(5) a second Cysteine-Containing Domain; and

(6) CH2 and CH3 Domains of an IgG;

(B) a second polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(1) a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to the epitope of the CD3 antigen (VLII);

(2) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to the epitope of the 5T4 antigen (VHI) and a linker between the VLII and the VHI;

(3) a Cysteine-Containing Domain; and

(4) a Heterodimer-Promoting Domain, wherein the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain of the second polypeptide chain is complementary to the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain of the first polypeptide chain;

(C) a third polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(1) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to an epitope of a CD8 antigen (VHIII);

(2) a CH1 Domain;

(3) a CH2-CH3 Domain of an IgG; and

(D) a fourth polypeptide chain comprises, in the N-terminus to C-terminus direction:

(1) a Light Chain Variable Domain of an immunoglobulin capable of binding to the epitope of the CD8 antigen (VLIII); and

(2) a Cysteine-Containing Light Chain Constant Domain (CL);

wherein:

(i) the VLI and VHI Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the epitope of the 5T4 antigen;

- (ii) the VLII and VHII Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the epitope of the CD3 antigen;
- (iii) the VLIII and VHIII Domains associate to form a Domain capable of binding the epitope of the CD8 antigen;
- (iv) the CH2-CH3 Domain of the first polypeptide chain and the CH2-CH3 Domain of the third polypeptide chain associate to form an Fc Domain;
- (v) the first and second polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another;
- (vi) the first and third polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another;
- and
- (vii) the third and fourth polypeptide chains are covalently bonded to one another.

- Claim 24. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 23, wherein:
the VL_I comprises: a CDRL1 having the sequence RASQGISNYLA, a CDRL2 having the sequence RANRLQS, and a CDRL3 having the sequence LQYDDFPWT; and
the VH_I comprises: a CDRH1 having the sequence GYTFTSFWMH, a CDRH2 having the sequence RIDPNRGGTEYNEKAKS, and a CDRH3 having the sequence GNPYYPMDY.
- Claim 25. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 23 or claim 24, wherein:
the VL_I comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 47 and the VH_I comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 48; the VLII comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 26 and the VHII comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 27 or 28; the VLIII comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 29 and the VHIII comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 30; and the VLIII comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 31 and the VHIII comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 32.
- Claim 26. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 23-25, wherein: the first Cysteine-Containing Domain of the first polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 and the Heterodimer-

Promoting Domain of the first polypeptide chain comprises the sequence SEQ ID NO: 3; the first Cysteine-Containing Domain of the second polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 and the Heterodimer-Promoting Domain of the second polypeptide chain comprises the sequence SEQ ID NO: 4; the CH1 Domain of the third polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 9; the CL Domain of the fourth polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 13; and the CH2 and CH3 Domains of the first polypeptide chain and third polypeptide chain differ from one another and each has an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:7 or SEQ ID NO: 8.

Claim 27. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 23-26, wherein: the first polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 103; the second polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 104; the third polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 105; and the fourth polypeptide chain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 106.

Claim 28. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 14, wherein the Antigen-Binding Domain that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the epitope of CD3 comprises:
(A) a Light Chain Variable Domain comprising: a CDRL1 having the sequence RSSTGAVTTSNYAN, a CDRL2 having the sequence GTNKRAP, and a CDRL3 having the sequence ALWYSNLWV; and
(B) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain comprising: a CDRH1 having the sequence GFTFSTYAMN, a CDRH2 having the sequence RIRSKYNNYATYYADSVKG, and a CDRH3 having the sequence HKNFGNSYVTWFAY.

Claim 29. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 28, wherein: the Light Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:101 and the Heavy Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:102.

- Claim 30. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 18, wherein the Antigen-Binding Domain that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the epitope of 5T4 comprises:
- (A) a Light Chain Variable Domain comprising: a CDRL1 having the sequence RASQGISNYLA, a CDRL2 having the sequence RANRLQS, and a CDRL3 having the sequence LQYDDFPWT; or a CDRL1 having the sequence RSSQSIVYSNGNTYLE, a CDRL2 having the sequence KVSNRFS, and a CDRL3 having the sequence FQGSHPFT; and
- (B) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain comprising: a CDRH1 having the sequence GYTFTSFWMH, a CDRH2 having the sequence RIDPNRGGTEYNEKAKS, and a CDRH3 having the sequence GNPYYPMDY; or a CDRH1 having the sequence GYTFTSYWIT, a CDRH2 having the sequence DIYPGSGRANYNEKFKS, and a CDRH3 having the sequence YGPLFTTVVDPNSYAMDY.
- Claim 31. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 30, wherein: the Light Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:47 and the Heavy Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:48; or the Light Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:49 and the Heavy Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:50.
- Claim 32. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 18, wherein the Antigen-Binding Domain that is capable of immunospecifically binding to the epitope of ROR1 comprises:
- (A) a Light Chain Variable Domain comprising a CDRL1 having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:117, a CDRL2 having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:118, and a CDRL3 having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:119; and
- (B) a Heavy Chain Variable Domain comprising a CDRH1 having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:120, a CDRH2 having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:121, and a CDRH3 having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:122.

- Claim 33. The Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of claim 32, wherein the Light Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:51 and the Heavy Chain Variable Domain comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:52.
- Claim 34. A nucleic acid composition comprising polynucleotides that encode polypeptide chains of the Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-33.
- Claim 35. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-33, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or diluent.
- Claim 36. A Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-33, or a composition of claim 35, for use as a medicament.
- Claim 37. Use of a Tri-Specific Binding Molecule of any one of claims 1-33, or a composition of claim 35, in the manufacture of a medicament for treating cancer or a pathogen infection.