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[Summary]

[Problems to be Solved]

An objective of the present invention is to provide stable solution formulations comprising Emicizumab (ACE910) which is a bispecific antibody functionally substituting for FVIII that binds to FIX and/or FIXa and FX.

[Means for Solving the Problems]

As a result of dedicated research to accomplish the above-mentioned objective, the present inventors discovered that a solution formulation of pH 4.5 to 6.5 that comprises the aforementioned bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, 10 mM to 40 mM histidine/aspartate buffer, Poloxamer 188 at 0.2 to 1 mg/mL, and 100 mM to 300 mM arginine, can be a stable antibody-containing solution formulation in which aggregate formation and/or components with charge heterogeneity are suppressed, and thereby completed the present invention.

In one aspect, there is provided an antibody solution formulation of pH 4.5 to 6.5, which comprises: a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequences of H-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 1, 2, and 3 (H-chain CDRs of Q499), respectively; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequences of H-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 4, 5, and 6 (H-chain CDRs of J327), respectively; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain comprising the amino acid sequences of L-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 7, 8, and 9 (L-chain CDRs of L404), respectively; 20 mM histidine/aspartate buffer; 0.2 to 1 mg/mL Poloxamer 188; and 100 mM to 300 mM arginine.

In another aspect, there is provided an antibody solution formulation of pH 6, which comprises: a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12; 20 mM L-histidine/aspartate buffer; 0.5 mg/mL Poloxamer 188; and 150 mM L-arginine.

In another aspect, there is provided the antibody solution formulation of the present invention, for use in subcutaneous administration.

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In another aspect, there is provided a method for stabilizing an antibody in an antibody-containing solution formulation, which comprises adding a histidine/aspartate buffer, Poloxamer 188, and arginine to the solution, whereby the concentration of the histidine/aspartate buffer is 20 mM, the concentration of Poloxamer 188 is 0.2 to 1 mg/mL, and the concentration of arginine is 100 mM to 300 mM, wherein the antibody is a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

In another aspect, there is provided a method for suppressing the association (aggregate formation) of an antibody in an antibody-containing solution formulation, which comprises adding a histidine/aspartate buffer, Poloxamer 188, and arginine to the solution, whereby the concentration of the histidine/aspartate buffer is 20 mM, the concentration of Poloxamer 188 is 0.2 to 1 mg/mL, and the concentration of arginine is 100 mM to 300 mM, wherein the antibody is a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

In another aspect, there is provided a method for suppressing a component with charge heterogeneity in an antibody-containing formulation, which comprises adding a histidine/aspartate buffer to the solution, wherein the concentration of histidine/aspartate buffer is 20 mM, wherein the antibody is a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

Specifically, the present disclosure provides the following:

[1] An antibody solution formulation of pH 4.5 to 6.5, which comprises:

a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein

the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequences of H-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 1, 2, and 3 (H-chain CDRs of Q499), respectively; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequences of H-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 4, 5, and 6 (H-chain CDRs of J327), respectively; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain comprising the amino acid sequences of L-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 7, 8, and 9 (L-chain CDRs of L404), respectively;

10 mM to 40 mM histidine/aspartate buffer;

0.2 to 1 mg/mL Poloxamer 188; and

100 mM to 300 mM arginine.

[2] The antibody solution formulation of [1], wherein in the bispecific antibody, the first polypeptide and the third polypeptide form a pair, and the second polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11, and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

[3] The antibody solution formulation of [1] or [2], wherein the concentration of Poloxamer 188

CLAIMS

1. An antibody solution formulation of pH 4.5 to 6.5, which comprises:

a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequences of H-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 1, 2, and 3 (H-chain CDRs of Q499), respectively; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequences of H-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 4, 5, and 6 (H-chain CDRs of J327), respectively; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain comprising the amino acid sequences of L-chain CDRs 1, 2, and 3 of SEQ ID NOs: 7, 8, and 9 (L-chain CDRs of L404), respectively;

20 mM histidine/aspartate buffer;

0.2 to 1 mg/mL Poloxamer 188; and

100 mM to 300 mM arginine.

2. The antibody solution formulation of claim 1, wherein in the bispecific antibody, the first polypeptide and the third polypeptide form a pair, and the second polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11, and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

3. The antibody solution formulation of claim 1 or 2, wherein the concentration of Poloxamer 188 is 0.5 mg/mL.

4. The antibody solution formulation of any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein said pH is 6.

5. The antibody solution formulation of any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the concentration of arginine is 150 mM.

6. The antibody solution formulation of any one of claims 1 to 5, which does not substantially contain a chloride ion or an acetate ion.

7. An antibody solution formulation of pH 6, which comprises:

a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third

polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12;

20 mM L-histidine/aspartate buffer;
0.5 mg/mL Poloxamer 188; and
150 mM L-arginine.

8. The antibody solution formulation of any one of claims 1 to 7, for use in subcutaneous administration.

9. The antibody solution formulation of any one of claims 1 to 8, for use in the treatment of hemophilia A.

10. A method for stabilizing an antibody in an antibody-containing solution formulation, which comprises adding a histidine/aspartate buffer, Poloxamer 188, and arginine to the solution, whereby the concentration of the histidine/aspartate buffer is 20 mM, the concentration of Poloxamer 188 is 0.2 to 1 mg/mL, and the concentration of arginine is 100 mM to 300 mM, wherein the antibody is a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

11. A method for suppressing the association (aggregate formation) of an antibody in an antibody-containing solution formulation, which comprises adding a histidine/aspartate buffer, Poloxamer 188, and arginine to the solution, whereby the concentration of the histidine/aspartate buffer is 20 mM, the concentration of Poloxamer 188 is 0.2 to 1 mg/mL, and the concentration of arginine is 100 mM to 300 mM,
wherein the antibody is a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a

common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

12. A method for suppressing a component with charge heterogeneity in an antibody-containing formulation, which comprises adding a histidine/aspartate buffer to the solution, wherein the concentration of histidine/aspartate buffer is 20 mM, wherein the antibody is a bispecific antibody at 20 to 180 mg/mL, wherein a first polypeptide and a third polypeptide form a pair, and a second polypeptide and a fourth polypeptide form a pair, wherein the first polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 10; the second polypeptide comprises an H chain comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 11; and the third polypeptide and the fourth polypeptide comprise a common L chain of SEQ ID NO: 12.

13. The antibody solution formulation of claim 7, wherein the concentration of a bispecific antibody is 30 mg/mL or 150 mg/mL.