

CLAIMS

1. An antibody or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, comprising a VH that comprises four VH framework regions (VH FR1-4) and three VH complementarity determining regions (VH CDR1-3) in the following N-terminal to C-terminal order: VH FR1-VH CDR1-VH FR2-VH CDR2-VH FR3-VH CDR3-VH FR4, wherein VH FR1, VH FR2, VH FR3 and VH FR4 comprise the amino acid sequence of $X_{H1}QX_{H3}QLVQSGAEVKKX_{H5}GX_{H6}SVKVSCKAS$ (SEQ ID NO: 5),

WVRQAPGX_{H12}X_{H13}LEWMG (SEQ ID NO: 6),

YAKKX_{H16}QX_{H17}RVTX_{H18}TX_{H19}DX_{H21}SX_{H22}STAYMELX_{H25}SLRX_{H31}X_{H27}DTAX_{H28}YYC (SEQ ID NO: 7), and

WGX_{H29}GTX_{H30}VTVSS (SEQ ID NO: 4) respectively,

wherein X_{H1} is M or no amino acid, X_{H3} is M, X_{H5} is P or T, X_{H6} is A, S, or T, X_{H12} is K, X_{H13} is G, R, or A, X_{H16} is F or L, X_{H17} is G, D, or E, X_{H18} is M or I, X_{H19} is R, T, E or A, X_{H21} is T, R, M, E, or K, X_{H22} is I, A T, or M, X_{H25} is S or R, X_{H31} is S or A, X_{H27} is D or E, and X_{H28} is V or M, X_{H29} is Q or R, and X_{H30} is L, M or T;

wherein the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof specifically binds to CD47 and comprises a VH that comprises four VH framework regions (VH FR1-4) and three VH complementarity determining regions (VH CDR1-3) in the following N-terminal to C-terminal order: VH FR1-VH CDR1-VH FR2-VH CDR2-VH FR3-VH CDR3-VH FR4, wherein VH CDR1 comprises the amino acid sequence of GFNIKDYLYH (SEQ ID NO: 59); VH CDR2 comprises the amino acid sequence of WIDPDQGDTE (SEQ ID NO: 60); and VH CDR3 comprises the amino acid sequence of NAAYGSSSYPM DY (SEQ ID NO: 61);

wherein the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof comprises a VL that comprises four VL framework regions (VL FR1-4) and three VL complementarity determining regions (VL CDR1-3) in the following N-terminal to C-terminal order: VL FR1-VL CDR1-VL FR2-VL CDR2-VL FR3-VL CDR3-VL FR4, wherein:

(A) VL CDR1 comprises the amino acid sequence of $X_{C1}ASQDIHRYLS$ (SEQ ID NO: 62), wherein X_{C1} is K or R; VL CDR2 comprises the amino acid sequence of RANRLVS (SEQ ID NO: 63); and VL CDR3 comprises the amino acid sequence of LQYDEFPTYT (SEQ ID NO: 64); or

(B) VL CDR1 comprises the amino acid sequence of $X_{C1}ASQDIHRYLS$ (SEQ ID NO: 62), wherein X_{C1} is K or R; VL CDR2 comprises the amino acid sequence of $RX_{C2}X_{C3}RFVD$ (SEQ ID NO: 65), wherein X_{C2} is any amino acid with a polar or charged side chain, and X_{C3} is V, I, E, or S; and VL CDR3 comprises the amino acid sequence of $LQYDEFPYT$ (SEQ ID NO: 64).

2. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 1, wherein X_{H1} is M or no amino acid, X_{H3} is M, X_{H5} is P, X_{H6} is S, X_{H12} is K, X_{H13} is G, X_{H16} is F, X_{H17} is G, X_{H18} is I, X_{H19} is R, X_{H21} is R, X_{H22} is T, X_{H25} is R, X_{H31} is A, X_{H27} is E, and X_{H28} is V, X_{H29} is Q, and X_{H30} is L.

3. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 1, wherein X_{H1} is M or no amino acid, X_{H3} is M, X_{H5} is P, X_{H6} is S, X_{H12} is K, X_{H13} is G, X_{H16} is F, X_{H17} is G, X_{H18} is I, X_{H19} is R, X_{H21} is R, X_{H22} is T, X_{H25} is R, X_{H31} is A, X_{H27} is E, and X_{H28} is V, X_{H29} is Q, and X_{H30} is T.

4. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 1, wherein X_{H1} is M or no amino acid, X_{H3} is M, X_{H5} is P, X_{H6} is S, X_{H12} is K, X_{H13} is G, X_{H16} is F, X_{H17} is G, X_{H18} is I, X_{H19} is R, X_{H21} is R, X_{H22} is T, X_{H25} is R, X_{H31} is S, X_{H27} is E, and X_{H28} is V, X_{H29} is Q, and X_{H30} is L.

5. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 1, wherein X_{H1} is M or no amino acid, X_{H3} is M, X_{H5} is P, X_{H6} is S, X_{H12} is K, X_{H13} is G, X_{H16} is F, X_{H17} is G, X_{H18} is I, X_{H19} is R, X_{H21} is R, X_{H22} is T, X_{H25} is R, X_{H31} is S, X_{H27} is E, and X_{H28} is V, X_{H29} is Q, and X_{H30} is T.

6. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of any of claims 1-5, wherein VL FR1, VL FR2, VL FR3 and VL FR4 comprise the amino acid sequence of $NIQMTQSPSX_{L1}X_{L2}SASVGDRVTITC$ (SEQ ID NO: 8); $WX_{L3}QQKPGKX_{L4}PKHLIY$ (SEQ ID NO: 9); $GVPSRFSGSGSGTEFTLTISLQPEDFATYYC$ (SEQ ID NO: 10); and $FGGGTKVEIK$ (SEQ ID NO: 11), respectively, wherein X_{L1} is A or S, X_{L2} is M or L, X_{L3} is F or Y, and X_{L4} is V or A.

7. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 6, wherein X_{L1} is S, X_{L2} is L, X_{L3} is F, and X_{L4} is V.
8. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 6, wherein X_{L1} is S, X_{L2} is L, X_{L3} is Y, and X_{L4} is A.
9. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 6, wherein X_{L1} is S, X_{L2} is M, X_{L3} is F, and X_{L4} is V.
10. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of claim 1, wherein X_{C2} is Y, E, or H.
11. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of any of claims 1-10, which comprises a heavy chain constant region that is a human constant region.
12. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment of any of claims 1-11, which comprises a light chain constant region selected from the group consisting of a human kappa constant region and a human lambda constant region.
13. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of the antibody or antigen-binding fragment of any of claims 1-12, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
14. Use of an antibody or antigen-binding fragment as defined in any of claims 1-12 or a pharmaceutical composition as defined in claim 13 in the manufacture of a medicament for treating cancer in a subject in need thereof.
15. A polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the antibody or antigen-binding fragment of any of claims 1-13.
16. A vector comprising the polynucleotide of claim 15.

17. An isolated cell comprising the polynucleotide of claim 15.

18. A method of making an antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof, comprising (a) culturing an isolated cell comprising the polynucleotide of claim 15; and (b) isolating the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof.