

Enhancing PET Signal at Target Tissue in Vivo: Dendritic and Multimeric Tris(hydroxypyridinone) Conjugates for Molecular Imaging of $\alpha_v\beta_3$ Integrin Expression with Gallium-68

Supplementary material

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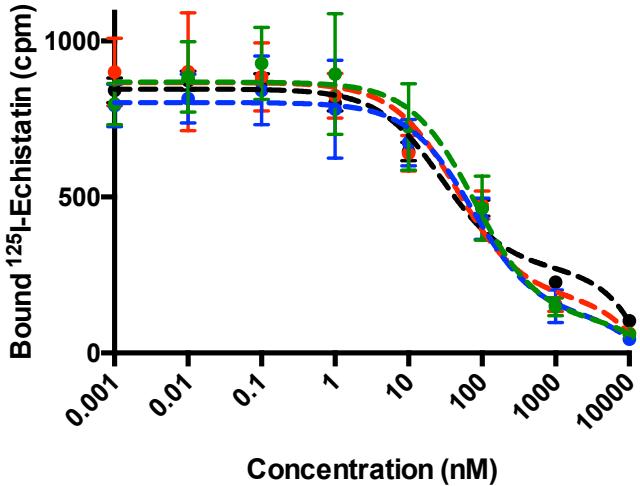


Figure S1. Mean concentration response curve for ^{125}I -echistatin titrated with c(RGDFK) (black), [Ga(HP₃-RGD)] (red), [Ga(HP₃-RGD₃)] (blue) and [Ga₃(HP₉-RGD₃)] (green). Error bars correspond to standard error of the mean; $n = 6$ for each concentration.

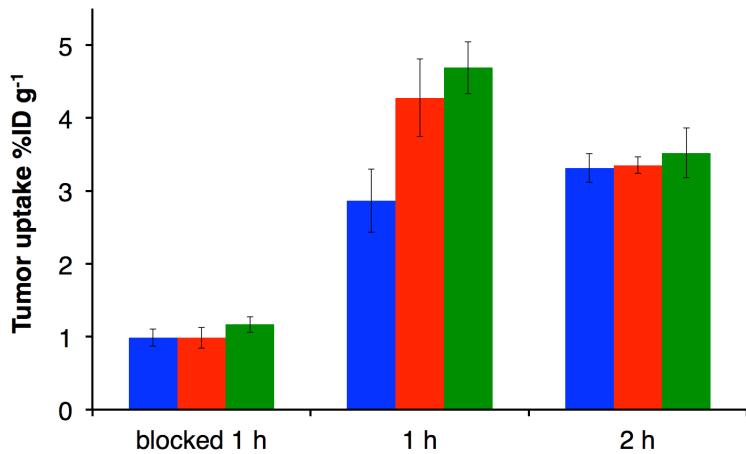


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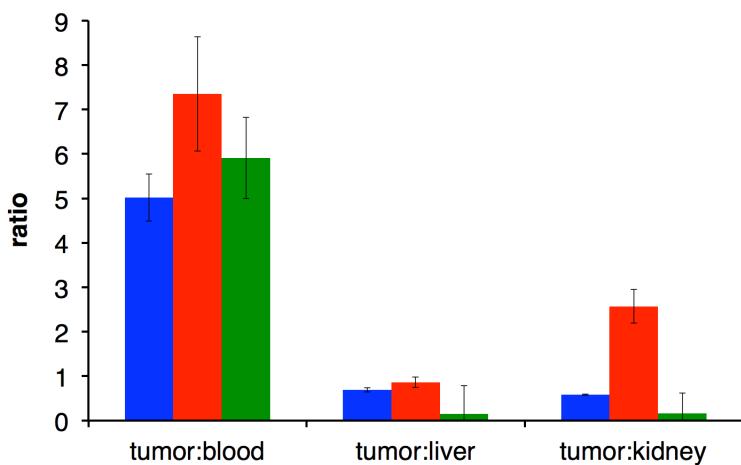


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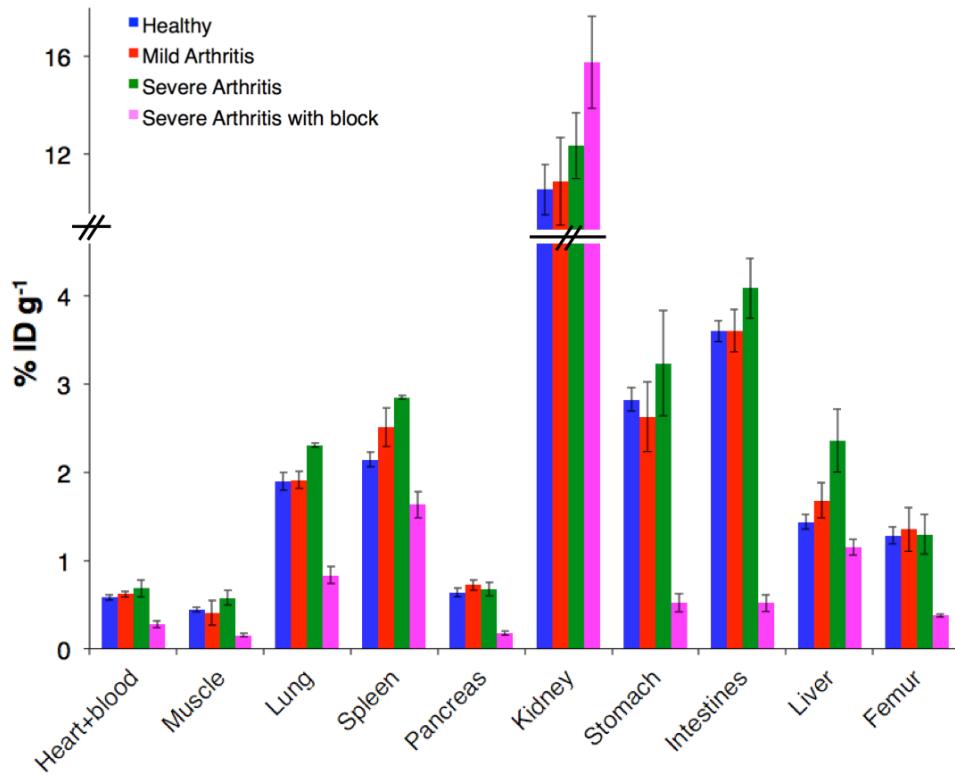


Figure S4. Ex vivo biodistribution of healthy mice (blue), mice with induced mild rheumatoid arthritis (red) and mice with induced severe rheumatoid arthritis (green), administered [⁶⁸Ga(HP₃-RGD₃)] (8 - 13 MBq). A blockade study was also undertaken in mice with induced severe rheumatoid arthritis, in which [⁶⁸Ga(HP₃-RGD₃)] was co-administered with c(RGDfK) (pink). Error bars correspond to standard error of the mean; n = 3.

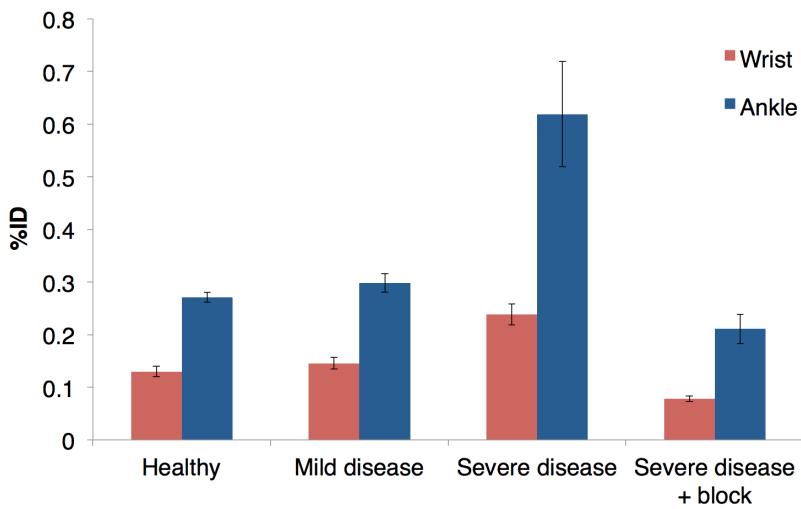


Figure S5. Ex vivo biodistribution of wrist joints (red) and ankle joints (blue) of mice administered [⁶⁸Ga(HP₃-RGD₃)] (8 - 13 MBq). Mice are grouped according to the severity of induced disease. Error bars correspond to standard error of the mean; n = 6 (3 animals per group, each with two ankles and two wrists).

Table S1 (a). Ex vivo biodistribution of mice bearing $\alpha_v\beta_3$ integrin-positive U87MG tumors administered [$^{68}\text{Ga}(\text{HP}_3\text{-RGD})$], $n = 3$.

Organ/tissue	1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)	With block, 1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)	2 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)
Blood	0.57 \pm 0.04	1.29 \pm 0.15	0.25 \pm 0.03
Tumor	2.86 \pm 0.61	0.99 \pm 0.17	3.32 \pm 0.28
Muscle	0.56 \pm 0.08	0.38 \pm 0.06	0.36 \pm 0.01
Liver	4.09 \pm 0.47	2.68 \pm 0.17	4.96 \pm 0.33
Kidney	4.91 \pm 1.05	7.39 \pm 2.61	4.56 \pm 0.63
Spleen	1.73 \pm 0.29	0.82 \pm 0.05	2.07 \pm 0.07
Heart	0.92 \pm 0.16	0.72 \pm 0.03	0.66 \pm 0.13
Lungs	1.77 \pm 0.22	1.38 \pm 0.34	1.59 \pm 0.20

Table S1 (b). Ex vivo biodistribution of mice bearing $\alpha_v\beta_3$ integrin-positive U87MG tumors administered [$^{68}\text{Ga}(\text{HP}_3\text{-RGD}_3)$], $n = 3$.

Organ/tissue	1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)	With block, 1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)	2 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)
Blood	0.67 \pm 0.05	0.73 \pm 0.20	0.22 \pm 0.05
Tumor	4.28 \pm 0.75	0.98 \pm 0.20	3.35 \pm 0.16
Muscle	0.78 \pm 0.09	0.21 \pm 0.06	0.47 \pm 0.08
Liver	5.69 \pm 0.10	4.36 \pm 0.26	4.50 \pm 0.50
Kidney	12.29 \pm 0.39	15.64 \pm 3.44	9.69 \pm 1.61
Spleen	3.14 \pm 0.62	1.17 \pm 0.44	1.88 \pm 0.89
Heart	1.67 \pm 0.38	0.47 \pm 0.16	0.89 \pm 0.28
Lungs	3.24 \pm 1.19	0.97 \pm 0.61	2.21 \pm 0.12

Table S1 (c). Ex vivo biodistribution of mice bearing $\alpha_v\beta_3$ integrin-positive U87MG tumors administered [$^{68}\text{Ga}(\text{HP}_9\text{-RGD}_3)$], $n = 3$.

Organ/tissue	1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)	With block, 1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)	2 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SD)
Blood	0.80 \pm 0.10	1.40 \pm 0.22	0.67 \pm 0.14
Tumor	4.69 \pm 0.50	1.17 \pm 0.16	3.52 \pm 0.48
Muscle	1.09 \pm 0.14	0.49 \pm 0.07*	0.60 \pm 0.03
Liver	32.37 \pm 4.18	33.81 \pm 1.87	35.02 \pm 1.64
Kidney	28.32 \pm 5.32	57.37 \pm 9.39	19.98 \pm 1.38
Spleen	11.40 \pm 1.65	8.74 \pm 1.67	8.28 \pm 0.36
Heart	1.65 \pm 0.25	0.94 \pm 0.19	1.07 \pm 0.02
Lungs	12.73 \pm 2.00	2.85 \pm 0.73	8.42 \pm 1.98

* $n = 2$

Table S2. Ex vivo biodistribution of mice with induced severe rheumatoid arthritis administered [$^{68}\text{Ga}(\text{HP}_3\text{-RGD}_3)$] without and with co-administration of cRGDFK, $n = 3$.

Organ/tissue	1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SEM)	With block, 1 h PI, %ID g ⁻¹ (\pm SEM)	Mean difference (95% CI), %ID g ⁻¹	p value
Blood	0.68 \pm 0.10	0.27 \pm 0.04	0.41 (0.18 - 0.64)	0.0079
Muscle	0.57 \pm 0.08	0.15 \pm 0.02	0.42 (0.23 - 0.61)	0.0034
Lung	2.31 \pm 0.02	0.83 \pm 0.10	1.47 (1.24 - 1.70)	< 0.0001
Spleen	2.84 \pm 0.02	1.63 \pm 0.15	1.21 (0.87 - 1.56)	0.0006
Pancreas	0.67 \pm 0.07	0.18 \pm 0.02	0.49 (0.32 - 0.67)	0.0015
Kidney	12.39 \pm 1.35	15.81 \pm 1.89	-3.42 (-8.69 - 1.84)	0.1452
Stomach	3.23 \pm 0.60	0.52 \pm 0.11	2.71 (1.34 - 4.09)	0.0054
Intestines	2.78 \pm 1.72	0.52 \pm 0.09	3.57 (2.77 - 4.37)	0.0002
Liver	2.36 \pm 0.36	1.15 \pm 0.09	1.21 (0.37 - 2.05)	0.016
Femur	1.29 \pm 0.22	0.38 \pm 0.03	0.91 (0.41 - 1.42)	0.0075

Table S3 (a) Ex vivo biodistribution of wrists of mice administered [$^{68}\text{Ga}(\text{HP}_3\text{-RGD}_3)$], $n = 6$.

Group	Wrists 1 h PI, %ID (\pm SEM)	Mean difference (95% CI) compared to animals with se- vere arthritis %ID	p value
Healthy	0.13 \pm 0.010	0.11 (0.06 - 0.15)	0.0003
Mild Arthritis	0.15 \pm 0.011	0.09 (0.05 - 0.14)	0.0013
Severe Arthritis	0.24 \pm 0.020	-	-
Severe Arthritis with block	0.08 \pm 0.005	0.16 (0.12 - 0.20)	< 0.0001
Organ/tissue	Wrists 1 h PI, %ID (\pm SEM)	Mean difference (95% CI) compared to animals with mild arthritis %ID	p value
Healthy	0.13 \pm 0.010	0.02 (-0.1 - 0.05)	0.2801

(b) Ex vivo biodistribution of ankles of mice administered [$^{68}\text{Ga}(\text{HP}_3\text{-RGD}_3)$], $n = 6$.

Group	Ankles 1 h PI, %ID (\pm SEM)	Mean difference (95% CI) compared to animals with se- vere arthritis %ID	p value
Healthy	0.27 \pm 0.010	0.35 (0.14 - 0.55)	0.0035
Mild Arthritis	0.30 \pm 0.018	0.32 (0.11 - 0.53)	0.0061
Severe Arthritis	0.62 \pm 0.100	-	-
Severe Arthritis with block	0.21 \pm 0.028	0.41 (0.20 - 0.62)	0.0015
Organ/tissue	Ankles 1 h PI, %ID (\pm SEM)	Mean difference (95% CI) compared to animals with mild arthritis %ID	p value
Healthy	0.27 \pm 0.010	0.03 (0.01 - 0.07)	0.1682