

# Antibodies That Stimulate Nk Cell-Mediated Cytotoxicity

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## TECHNOLOGY DESCRIPTION

Current cancer therapies often have limitations such as off-target effects, development of resistance, and limited efficacy against certain cancer types. There is a pressing need for therapies that can specifically target cancer cells and enhance the body's natural immune response against these malignant cells.

The inventors have developed a bispecific antibody therapy that targets Natural Cytotoxicity Triggering Receptors (NCR1, NCR3) or CD-16 on Natural Killer (NK) cells and a specific antigen on the cancer cell. This therapy will enhance the cytotoxic response of NK cells towards the cancer cells, leading to targeted cell death. Bispecific targeting of NCR3 presents a novel opportunity to potentially activate NK cells, thereby enhancing the antitumor immune responses.

## RELATED MATERIALS

- ▶ [A functional mammalian display screen identifies rare antibodies that stimulate NK cell-mediated cytotoxicity](#) - 08/03/2021

## DATA AVAILABILITY

The inventors have developed a functional screen to identify antibodies that can activate NK cells.

From this screen, antibodies specific for NCR1, NCR3, and CD-16 were identified. These antibodies bound with high affinity to NK cells, and the subsequent development of bispecific antibody constructs showed successful redirection of NK cell-mediated cytotoxicity towards CD20+ B cell lymphomas and HER+ breast cancer cells.

## PATENT STATUS

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## OTHER INFORMATION

### KEYWORDS

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- ▶ **Medical**
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