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1	Neurological disorders	Protein	<b>Therapeutic Protein for Promotion of Axon Regeneration in PNS and CNS</b>	We have identified a novel molecule that promotes axonal regeneration in the peripheral nerve and central nerve. This GFRa1 accelerated the rate of axonal regeneration (in vitro and in vivo), thereby restoring sensory function and tibialis anterior muscle function in vivo. The GFRa1 can use as clinical applications for nerve regeneration drug and nerve regeneration inducer. We would like to elucidate the mechanism based on our RNA-sequencing results and explore other drug discovery using our established evaluation system. GFRa1 is known as the glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF) receptor, but no reports directly related to peripheral nerve regeneration and axon regeneration.
2	Neurological disorders	Peptide	<b>A new therapeutic peptides for Alzheimer's disease</b>	We propose a new therapeutic strategy for Alzheimer's disease (AD). Here, we showed that a short peptide p3-Alcβ9-19 is transferred into the brain satisfactorily by peripheral administration, which allowed us to develop the transdermal administration procedure with p3-Alcβ9-19 pharmaceutical formulation. - Effective with only 11 peptide sequences - Can be administered peripherally by subcutaneous or transdermal absorption - Already tested in mice, rats and monkeys - Significantly activates mitochondria in the brain after a single peripheral administration - The preclinical stage has been completed and we will begin first-in-human (FIH) clinical trials. <a href="https://www.embopress.org/doi/full/10.15252/emmm.202217052">https://www.embopress.org/doi/full/10.15252/emmm.202217052</a>
3	Neurological disorders	RNA	<b>Novel suppressors of TDP aggregation for the therapeutic implication of ALS and FTL D</b>	We have identified novel suppressors of TDP aggregation that has the potential for the therapeutic indications of ALS and FTL D. - They have significantly suppressed the aggregation of TAR DNA binding protein. - The molecule did not affect transcription of other molecules. - We are planning in vivo study with ALS and FTL D models. <a href="https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/jacsau.4c00566">https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/jacsau.4c00566</a>
4	Neurological disorders	Small Molecule・Antibody etc.	<b>A neutrophil NETs inhibitor for axon regeneration</b>	We cleared an increase or decrease in the number of neutrophils delayed or promoted macrophage infiltration from the epineurium into the parenchyma and the repair process in Wallerian degeneration (WD). Abundant neutrophil extracellular traps (NETs) were formed around neutrophils, and its inhibition dramatically increased macrophage infiltration into the parenchyma. Furthermore, inhibition of either MIF or its receptor, CXCR4, in neutrophils decreased NET formation, resulting in enhanced macrophage infiltration into the parenchyma. Moreover, inhibiting MIF for just 2 h after peripheral nerve injury promoted the repair process. These findings indicate that neutrophils delay the repair process in WD from outside the parenchyma by inhibiting macrophage infiltration via NET formation and that neutrophils, NETs, MIF, and CXCR4 are therapeutic targets for peripheral nerve regeneration. <a href="https://www.life-science-alliance.org/content/5/10/e202201399">https://www.life-science-alliance.org/content/5/10/e202201399</a>
5	Drug Delivery System	LNP	<b>A Novel Lipid for Hepatic stellate cells ( HSC )</b>	We have developed a LNP that exhibited the delivery specifcity for stellate cells in liver. We can disclose invitro and in vivo data in Bio Euro Spring.
6	Drug Delivery System	LNP	<b>Optimized LNP for the spleen delivery</b>	We have identified a novel component with our original lipid effectively delivering mRNA into Dendritic cells in the spleen and exhibiting mRNA expression in vivo.
7	Drug Delivery System	LNP	<b>Novel Helper Lipids that accelerate endosomal escapes.</b>	We have developed new helper lipid enhancing endosomal membrane fusion. With the combination with cationic lipids(e.g. MC3,ALC,etc), our lipids improve mRNA expression.
8	Drug Delivery System	LNP	<b>Lipid nanoparticles for ribonucleoprotein delivery for in vivo genome editing</b>	The delivery of the CRISPR/Cas ribonucleoprotein (RNP) has received attention for clinical applications owing to its high efficiency with few off-target effects. Lipid nanoparticles (LNPs) are potential non-viral vectors for the delivery of RNPs. We have developed ionizable lipids for the hepatic delivery of RNPs.Our optimal ionizable lipid exhibited a more than 98% reduction in transthyretin protein after a single dose with no obvious signs of toxicity. <a href="https://www.cell.com/iscience/fulltext/S2589-0042(24)02153-9">https://www.cell.com/iscience/fulltext/S2589-0042(24)02153-9</a>
9	Drug Delivery System	LNP	<b>Novel Delivery programs for NK cells for cancer treatment</b>	NK cells are effective effector cells against cancers that have mutated to evade attack from T cells.We have successfully developed lipid nanoparticles capable of efficiently introducing RNA into human NK cell lines with less toxicity. The LNP we have developed includes our original lipid with an optomized fromulation specific for NK cells. We can provide the LNP for company's evaluation under MTA.
10	Drug Delivery System	LNP	<b>Nucleic acid complex composition, lipid particles for transfection, and transfection method</b>	The present invention provides lipid particles for gene transfer that achieve highly efficient cellular uptake and protein expression by compressing long-chain plasmid DNA of 10 kbp or more. <a href="https://patentscope2.wipo.int/search/ja/detail.jsf?docId=WO2024071409&amp;_cid=JP1-M0GEUS-20001-1">https://patentscope2.wipo.int/search/ja/detail.jsf?docId=WO2024071409&amp;_cid=JP1-M0GEUS-20001-1</a>
11	Rare diseases	RNA・Gene Therapy	<b>Programmable “srRNA” therapeutics to induce skipping of target exons - Alternatives to splicing regulatory antisense oligonucleotides-</b>	We have developed a programmable splice regulatory RNA "srRNA" that induces skipping of target exons. "srRNA" has potential as a superior therapeutic alternative to splicing-regulated antisense oligonucleotides. Unlike antisense nucleic acid drugs, srRNA can be expressed from vectors and is considered less toxic than U7 chimeric RNA. Potential target diseases for this proposal include the followings. ・ Inherited Diseases Caused by Abnormal Exons ・ Inherited Diseases Treated through Exon Skipping eg. Muscular Dystrophy (MD), Myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) <a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1097276523009644">https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1097276523009644</a>
12	Mitochondrial diseases	Genome editing technology	<b>Gene therapy for mitochondrial diseases using genome editing technology</b>	In this technology, it is possible to remove mutated mitochondrial genes that cause mitochondrial diseases by using genome editing technology. We found therapeutic effect in vitro including MELAS patient-derived human cells.
13	Oncology	Small Molecule	<b>Pancreatic cancer treatment drugs</b>	We have confirmed that a combination of roseoflavin (RoF), a competitive inhibitor of the riboflavin metabolic pathway, and a MEK inhibitor significantly suppressed the tumor growth of pancreatic cancer cell lines transplanted subcutaneously into mice. Furthermore, we conducted structural modifications of roseoflavin and identified compounds with higher efficacy and lower toxicity than the existing RoF in both in vitro and in vivo studies.
14	Oncology	Antibody	<b>Intracellular delivery of anti-interleukin-6 and anti-interleukin-6 receptor antibodies and inhibition of cancer cell growth using PIECE</b>	Overexpression of IL-6 in cells has been reported in various diseases, including cancer. Intracellular IL-6 is considered a promising therapeutic target, but the difficulty in delivering anti-IL-6 antibodies directly into cells has been a challenge. We have created a unique anti-IL-6 composition and successfully administered it intracellularly.
15	Oncology	Antibody	<b>A novel monoclonal antibody for Adult T-Cell Leukemia and Burkitt lymphoma</b>	We have establish a monoclonal antibody that enables ATL treatment. Rats were immunized with ATL cells to establish hybridoma cells. We have succeeded in purifying the monoclonal antibody from the culture supernatant. The gene for the monoclonal antibody was isolated and the nucleotide sequence of the variable region was determined. The growth inhibitory effect on ATL cells was confirmed using in vitro and animal models. Our mAb suppresses ATL with a different target and different mechanism of other antibodies(Mogamulizumab,etc.).
16	Oncology	Antibody	<b>Treatment resistance reducing agent for treatment-resistant cancer</b>	This invention relates to a novel agent for reducing treatment resistance against treatment-resistant cancers. The active ingredients of this agent are IL-34-specific antibodies and their fragments, which inhibit the binding of IL-34 to CSF-1R. In the course of researching the mechanism of drug resistance, a type of cancer treatment resistance, it was experimentally discovered that IL-34 is involved in drug resistance.
17	Oncology	middle-molecule	<b>Hydrophilic-hydrophobic copolymers carrying Dichloroacetic acid on side chain and mecical use therof</b>	Hydrophilic-hydrophobic copolymers composed of a hydrophobic block carrying dichloroacetic acid via ester or amide linkage and a hydrophilic poly(ethylene glycol) block. These copolymers self-assemble into nanoparticles (polymeric micelles) that act as tumor-specific radiosensitizers to enhance the efficacy of radiotherapy.
18	Oncology	Peptide	<b>Pancreatic cancer therapeutic peptide</b>	This invention provides a peptide containing a partial amino acid sequence of C16orf74 protein, which contains either or both of cysteine at position 7 and cysteine at position 14 of C16orf74 protein and inhibits dimer formation of C16orf74 protein, a pharmaceutical composition for cancer treatment containing such peptide and a pharmaceutical composition for cancer therapy containing the peptide. In addition, a method for screening cancer therapeutic agents using inhibition of C16orf74 protein dimer formation as an indicator is also provided. <a href="https://aacrjournals.org/mct/article/19/1/187/274170/Role-of-Dimerized-C16orf74-in-Aggressive">https://aacrjournals.org/mct/article/19/1/187/274170/Role-of-Dimerized-C16orf74-in-Aggressive</a>
19	Immunology	Small Molecule	<b>Novel STING Agonist</b>	We have developed novel sting agonists and one of them showed stronger inflammatory cytokines-inducing activity than that of one compound under clinical trial.We have also demonstrated that our compounds suppressed tumor growth in vivo.
20	Immunology	Peptide	<b>STAP-1 Therapeutic Peptide for Autoimmune disease</b>	We found that a STAP-1, an adapter molecule, has a novel function in the activation of immune responses by T cells and the subsequent development of autoimmune diseases. Using the STAP-1 knockout mice, we revealed that the STAP-1 suppressed T cell activation and exacerbation of autoimmune diseases and allergies. And also, we designed the STAP-1 binding inhibitory peptide, and the peptide suppressed T-cell activation and also improved clinical scores in the EAE model. Therefore, the STAP-1 peptide is expected to develop new therapeutic agents for new autoimmune diseases and allergies. Our STAP-1 binding inhibitory peptide is as well.
21	Imflammatory diseases	Nucleic acid	<b>Meflin is involved in the development of inflammatory diseases as a novel TNF receptor ligand.</b>	Meflin functions as a novel ligand for TNF receptors and an activator of NF-κB. Its N-terminal fragment binds to the fourth domain of TNF receptors, and it interacts with TNFα to form a strong complex. Elevated blood levels were observed in several inflammatory diseases, while siRNA-mediated depletion suppressed disease development via NF-κB pathways. These findings support its potential as a biomarker and therapeutic target.
22	Cirrhosis	Cell	<b>Amelioration of liver fibrosis with autologous macrophages induced by IL-34-based condition</b>	Macrophages derived from monocytes stimulated with IL-34 developed as a therapeutic approach for liver fibrosis. These cells demonstrated superior activity compared to CSF-1-induced macrophages in controlling fibrosis and inflammation.
23	Diabetes	Small Molecule	<b>Novel Resolvin E3 derivatives or pharmaceutical composition containing the same</b>	Novel indole derivatives have been synthesized as insulin resistance ameliorators and as therapeutic or preventive agents for type 2 diabetes. These compounds were designed as stable equivalents of the pro-resolving lipid mediator Resolvin E3.

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24	Osteoporosis	Small Molecule	<b>A repurposing drug candidate that can suppress rebound bone resorption after administration of anti-RANKL antibody, a treatment for osteoporosis</b>	In this invention, we clarified the mechanism of rebound after administration of anti-RANKL antibody and discovered a repurposing drug candidate that can suppress rebound-induced increased bone resorption. Denosumab, an anti-RANKL antibody, is one of the effective therapeutic drugs for osteoporosis. However, discontinuation of denosumab administration is associated with a decrease in bone mineral density within 12 months after discontinuation and may cause multiple vertebral fractures, so another bone resorption inhibitor should be started 6 months after the last injection. As a treatment, bisphosphonate therapy, another bone resorption inhibitor, may alleviate the biochemical rebound phenomenon before discontinuation, but its effectiveness is not sufficient.
25	Ophthalmology	Peptide	<b>Novel peptides for glaucoma treatment</b>	BDNF (Brain-Derived Neurotrophic Factor) deficiency contributes to the onset and pathological progression of glaucoma, and approaches to treat glaucoma by promoting BDNF secretion are being investigated (PLoS One 2014 Dec 23;9(12):e115579). In our present study, researchers focused on the mechanism of BDNF secretion suppression in glaucoma pathology and identified a novel peptide with BDNF secretion-promoting function.
26	Dermatology	Small Molecule	<b>Anti-photoaging topical agent that can be a repurposing drug candidate for skin aging diseases including xeroderma pigmentosum and skin cancer by removing senescent cells</b>	We have proposed an anti-photoaging topical agent that can be a repurposing drug candidate for skin aging diseases including xeroderma pigmentosum and skin cancer by removing senescent cells. We focus on a new mechanism by which skin cancers are caused by the overproduction of inflammation-inducing Senescence-Associated Secretory Phenotype (SASP) factors from aged melanocytes (photoaged cells) that do not undergo apoptosis or cell death after exposure to UV light. The anti-photoaging topical agent can suppress inflammation by inhibiting the production of SASP factors. The strength of this medicine is that it can inhibit UV damage after UV exposure, and it can be used as a topical agent. <a href="https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC11058315/">https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC11058315/</a>
27	Infectious diseases	Antibody	<b>Novel Antibodies for Marburg Virus Therapy</b>	We have generated neutralizing MARV-specific mAbs that neutralize MARV infection. Ten representative mAbs were produced and divided into three groups based on their putative epitopes and amino acid sequences of their variable regions of heavy and light chains. Five mAbs were cross-reactive to MARV and RAVV and most likely bind an epitope across the fusion loop and receptor binding domain of GP. The others neutralized MARV but not RAVV and likely bind to an epitope on the head region of GP. It was noted that all these mAbs showed neutralizing activity equivalent to or rather higher than a previously known neutralizing mAb MR78.
28	Infectious diseases	Antibody	<b>A Highly Cross-Neutralizing Antibody for Ebola<span></span>virus Therapy</b>	We have generated an ebolavirus glycoprotein-specific monoclonal antibody. It effectively inhibits cellular entry of representative isolates of all known ebolavirus species in vitro. It also shows its protective efficacy in mouse models of ebolavirus infections. This novel neutralizing monoclonal antibody targets a highly conserved internal fusion loop (IFL) in the glycoprotein molecule. This novel neutralizing monoclonal antibody prevents membrane fusion of the viral envelope with cellular membranes.
29	Infectious diseases	Peptide	<b>Novel antibacterial peptides</b>	Novel antibacterial peptide fragments have been identified from Nemuri (NUR), a 172-amino-acid protein originally found in Drosophila with sleep-inducing and antibacterial properties. While the full-length NUR protein showed no antibacterial activity, specific fragments were discovered that exert potent antibacterial effects. These peptides act through a mechanism distinct from existing antibiotics and may be effective against drug-resistant bacteria.
30	Diagnostics	Antibody	<b>Development of blood fibrosis markers for nonalcoholic steatohepatitis</b>	Diagnosis of liver fibrosis in MASH using blood IgA protein-bound A2Fbisect glycans and their precursor glycans as biomarkers. A method for evaluating the progression of hepatic fibrosis in non-alcoholic steatohepatitis, said method comprising measuring the amount of a sugar chain and/or a precursor sugar chain of the biosynthesis of a sugar chain. <a href="https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00535-024-02206-8">https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00535-024-02206-8</a>
31	Diagnostics	Antibody	<b>Methods and kits for detecting human α-defensin HD5 and antibodies used in said methods and kits</b>	We have established a monoclonal antibody against HD5 as an important tool for accurately monitoring and diagnosing the intestinal environment. The purpose of this invention is to provide a simple and high-throughput method for detecting HD5 contained in biological samples (feces, serum, etc.) collected from subjects using the monoclonal antibody.
32	Technologies	Medical Devices	<b>Method for detecting autoantigens of immune-mediated disease, and kit for detecting autoantigens of immune-mediated disease</b>	This invention concerns a method for comprehensively detecting autoantigens associated with immune-mediated diseases in a short period of time. In this method, autoantigens obtained via immunoprecipitation are analyzed directly by mass spectrometry without electrophoresis. Compared to the conventional CBA method, this approach enables comprehensive detection of multiple antigens—including both known and unknown ones—in less than one-tenth of the time (e.g., within three days).
33	Medical Devices	Ultrasound Imaging	<b>Imaging Diagnosis of Hip Joint Disorders</b>	Automatic measurement and diagnosis of pediatric hip joints using dynamic ultrasound imaging. By detecting anatomical landmarks of the ilium, it identifies the baseline and acetabular line and calculates the α angle, which is useful for diagnosing developmental dysplasia of the hip (DDH). The use of bounding-box inference for landmark detection shortens processing time, making real-time video assessment of hip ultrasound examinations possible.
34	Diagnostics	NGS	<b>Comprehensive detection method for parasites using portable NGS</b>	This invention enables comprehensive and easy detection of parasites, including unknown targets.To comprehensively detect parasites, portable NGS is used to obtain parasite genes with amplified gene sequences exceeding 1 kbp in length while inhibiting the amplification of host-derived gene sequences.
35	Diagnostics	Small Molecule	<b>Short-wave infrared (SWIR) fluorescent agents and non-invasive in vivo optical imaging methods utilizing these agents (including indocyanine green)</b>	An indocyanine green (ICG) derivative with a longer chain structure than ICG, enabling biological imaging in the shortwave infrared region.
36	Diagnostics	Small Molecule	<b>Shortwave infrared fluorescent dyes for highly sensitive detection of tumors via EPR effect</b>	Novel indocyanine green derivatives that emit shortwave infrared fluorescence (900–1400 nm). These compounds accumulate in tumors without monoclonal antibodies or other targeting agents and are useful for high-sensitivity fluorescence imaging of cancer.
37	Protein expression	Vector	<b>Novel mammalian cell expression vectors capable of producing high levels of exogenous proteins</b>	The present invention relates to novel vectors and use thereof. More specifically, the present invention relates to mammalian cell expression vectors that impart to mammalian host cells an ability to produce high levels of foreign gene-derived proteins. The expression vectors of the present invention are particularly suitable for production of mammalian proteins that rarely exhibit adequate activity upon genetic recombination usingE. colior yeast as host and which require glycosylation and folding that are unique to mammals.
38	Peptide Technology	Peptide	<b>Widely applicable as a general strategy for the optimization of peptide sequences</b>	We developed an amino acid that allows both the search for modifiable sites in the parent peptide and the subsequent site-selective chemical modification. After peptide scanning using this amino acid,the specific ligation was performed on the alcohol present in the side chain of the amino acid residue. This made it possible to carry out scanning and chemical modification of the peptide consecutively, and also made it possible to carry out the chemical modification process on a minute scale of several hundred nmol. This enabled us to reduce the time and cost required to synthesize a large number of peptides.
39	Peptide Technology	Peptide	<b>"New macrocyclic peptide library" and "Peptide Engineering Technologies"</b>	"New macrocyclic peptide library" - Wide range of substrates: chain lengths (6-14 amino acids) can be covered - Excellent compatibility with automated parallel peptide synthesizers, and a single synthesizer can produce more than 10,000 cyclopeptides per year - Can be expanded as a library for cyclic peptide drug screening without any purification steps <a href="https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/jacs.2c11082">https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/jacs.2c11082</a>
40	Research Reagents	Small Molecule	<b>Photoswitchable Auxin-Inducible Degron System for Conditional Protein Degradation with Spatiotemporal Resolution</b>	The present invention relates to an auxin degron system that controls the degradation of target proteins in eukaryotic cells, and to an auxin analogue that reversibly changes its molecular structure by light. The auxin degron system is a system in which a degradation pathway by the plant hormone auxin is transplanted into non-plant cells. In the auxin degron system transplanted into human cells, a target protein to which a plant-derived degron (mAID) has been added is ubiquitinated by ubiquitin ligase upon addition of auxin, and is then degraded in the proteasome. The present invention relates to a compound that can be newly synthesized and reversibly transformed into a protein degradation inhibitor by irradiation with visible light (520 nm). <a href="https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/jacs.4c05135">https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/jacs.4c05135</a>
41	Research Reagents	Research Reagents	<b>Exosome-like particles and virus-like particles</b>	We provide standardized exosome-like and virus-like particles. Conventional products are cell-derived and heterogeneous, but our particles contain a single membrane protein and a single nucleic acid, with nearly uniform particle size, resulting in consistent quality. The same applies to the virus-like particles.
42	Experimental model animals	Experimental model animals	<b>Method for Temporal Evaluation of Reproductive Toxicity Using Bioluminescent Imaging and Genetically Modified Mice</b>	This invention provides a method for the temporal and quantitative evaluation of reproductive toxicity using bioluminescent imaging (BLI). The method involves labeling a protein specifically expressed in spermatogenic cells with luciferase (a bioluminescent enzyme) and utilizing its reaction with luciferin (a bioluminescent substrate). The invention also includes genetically modified mice that are directly used in this evaluation method.
43	Pneumonia	Medical device	<b>Interstitial pneumonia treatment equipment</b>	The present invention provides a non-invasive low-frequency stimulation therapy using a transcutaneous vagus nerve stimulation device (taVNS), and has found that symptoms of interstitial pneumonia improve when administered to patients.
44	Pneumonia	Ophthalmology	<b>Automatic detection of arteriovenous crossover phenomena in fundus photographs using line thinning and pixel tone analysis technology</b>	A method for effectively detecting the retinal arteriovenous crossing phenomenon using a fundus image processing program. A method for predicting, if possible, the onset of diseases such as hypertension and cerebral infarction associated with arteriosclerosis, and evaluation criteria for diagnosis.
45	Pneumonia	Dentistry	<b>Fiber Structure Inducing Member and Method for Producing the Inducing Member</b>	This invention provides functional materials featuring nano-patterns that act as mechanical stimuli to induce Sharpey-like fiber structures on the surface. It was discovered that placing a cyclo-olefin polymer (COP) film with specific nano-patterns near bone tissue can promote the formation of Sharpey-like structures bridging the film surface and bone. While Sharpey fibers are known to be collagen fibers with important biological functions, such as preventing bacterial infection, no method for inducing their formation had been previously reported.