



# ***“FARMACI INNOVATIVI, BIOTECNOLOGICI E TERAPIE STAMINALI: FARMACOLOGIA, FARMACOTERAPIA E NORMATIVE”***

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**Biotecnologie: Farmacocinetica**

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# FARMACI BIOLOGICI

## Classificazione funzionale

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**Group I: protein therapeutics with enzymatic or regulatory activity**

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- Ia Replacing a protein that is deficient or abnormal
  - Ib Augmenting an existing pathway
  - Ic Providing a novel function or activity
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**Group II: protein therapeutics with special targeting activity**

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- IIa Interfering with a molecule or organism
  - IIb Delivering other compounds or proteins
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**Group III: protein vaccines**

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- IIIa Protecting against a deleterious foreign agent
  - IIIb Treating an autoimmune disease
  - IIIc Treating cancer
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**Group IV : protein diagnostics**

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Leader B, Baca QJ, Golan DE. Protein therapeutics: a summary and pharmacological classification. Nat Rev Drug Discov. 2008; 7: 21-39.

## F. BIOLOGICI vs F. TRADIZIONALI

Biologics	SMs
Large MW	Low MW
Complex physicochemical properties (e.g. tertiary structure, stability, PTM)	Mostly well defined physicochemical properties
Biological production process: heterogeneous	Chemical production process: homogeneous
Understanding of ADME still evolving	ADME tools are available/ extensive ADME understanding
Usually administered parenterally (IV, SC, and IM)	Oral administration often possible
Distribution usually limited to plasma and/ or extracellular fluids	Distribution to any combination of organs/tissues
Not metabolized by CYP enzymes; metabolized to peptides or amino acids	Mainly metabolized by CYP enzymes; metabolized to non-active and active metabolites
Rapid clearance and short $t_{1/2}$	Mostly linear PK; non-linearity mainly due to saturation of metabolic pathways
High selectivity (affinity/ potency)	Generally less selective
Multi-functional: target binding, Fc effector function, FcRn binding	Off-target effects due to non-selectivity
PK and PD mechanistically connected (TMDD)	PK usually not driven by PD due to dominance of non-target mediated binding
DI: sparse examples and mostly PD related	DI: many examples and PK and/or PD related
Immunogenicity often observed	Immunogenicity rarely observed
Several bioanalytical assays (mostly LBA)	Usually specific chromatographic methods

SMs = small molecules; MW = molecular weight; PTM = post-translational modifications; ADME = absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion; IV = intravenous; SC = subcutaneous; IM = intramuscular; CYP = cytochrome P450;  $t_{1/2}$  = half-life; FcRn = neonatal Fc receptor; PK = pharmacokinetics; PD = pharmacodynamics; TMDD = target-mediated drug disposition; DI = drug interactions; LBA = ligand binding assays.

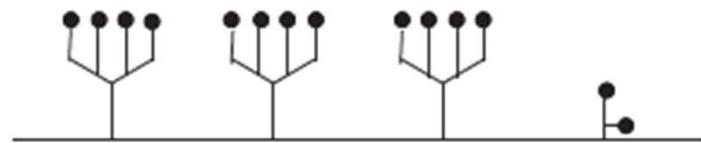
Shi S. Biologics: an update and challenge of their pharmacokinetics. Curr Drug Metab 2014; 15: 271-290.

# MODIFICAZIONI della SEQUENZA AMINOACIDICA

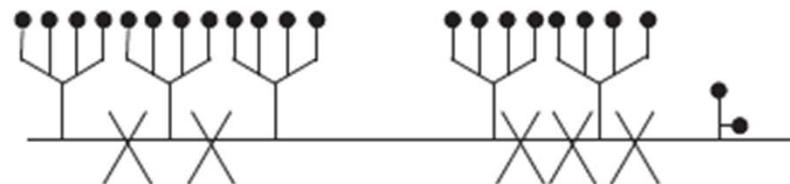
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<b>Rapida</b>												
Regolare (o Zn cristallina)	ACTRAPID® HUMULIN-R®	SC	Asn	Asn	Pro	Lys	Thr			30-60'	2-3	6-8
Lispro	HUMALOG®	SC			Lys	Pro				10-15'	1-2	5-6
Aspart	NOVORAPID NOVOLET® NOVORAPID PENFILL®	SC			Asp					10-15'	1-2	5-6
Glulisina	APIDRA®	SC		Lys		Glu				-----	0.5-1.5	1-2.5
<b>Intermedia</b>												
Isofano (NPH)*	HUMULIN N® PROTOPHANE®	SC								1-2	4-10	10-16
Lenta (sospensione Zn-insulina)	MONOTARD®	SC								1-3	4-12	12-18
<b>Lunga</b>												
Ultralenta	ULTRATARD®	SC								4-6	8-16	18-24
Glargine	LANTUS®	SC	Gly						Arg	Arg	2-4	NO
Detemir	LEVEMIR®	SC				Lys-Ac Mir	Del-Thr			2-3	6-8	≤ 20

## MODIFICAZIONI POST-TRADUZIONALI: GLICOENGEERING

Epoetin



Darbepoetin alfa



- 3 N-linked carbohydrate chains
- ≤14 sialic acid residues
- 30 400 Da
- 40% carbohydrate

- 5 N-linked carbohydrate chains
- ≤22 sialic acid residues
- 37 100 Da
- 52% carbohydrate

Macdougall IC, Eckardt KU. Novel strategies for stimulating Erythropoiesis and potential new treatments for anaemia. Lancet. 2006; 368(9539): 947-953.

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Table I. Some key parameters of erythropoiesis-stimulating agents<sup>[20,24,30-37]</sup>

	Epoetin- $\alpha$	Epoetin- $\beta$	Epoetin- $\omega$	Darbepoetin- $\alpha$
Carbohydrate proportion (%)	40	40	ND	52
Number of N-linked carbohydrates	3	3	3	5
Number of sialic acid residues per molecule	$\leq 14$	$\leq 14$	ND	$\leq 22$
Proportion of tetra-sialylated carbohydrate residues (%)	19	46	21; 50 <sup>a</sup>	ND
Proportion of isoforms with O-linked carbohydrates (%)	95	ND	60	ND
Half-life (h):				
IV route	4–11	8.8–10.4	ND	18–25.3
SC route	19–25.3	24	ND	48.8
Clearance (IV route) [mL•h <sup>-1</sup> •kg <sup>-1</sup> ]	8.1–8.6	7.9	ND	2.0
Bioavailability (SC route) [%]	30–36	15–50	ND	37
Frequency of administration (x/week)	1–3	0.5 <sup>b</sup> –3	1–2	0.5 <sup>b</sup> –1
Relative potency <sup>c</sup> :				
thrice weekly	1	1–1.2	~1.3	3.6
once weekly	1	ND	ND	13–20
Conversion factor	1	ND	ND	200IU : 1 $\mu$ g (up to 433 : 1 <sup>d</sup> )

a Divergent reports.<sup>[30,33]</sup>

b 0.5x/week = once every 2 weeks.

c As assessed from animal studies.

d Depending on dose of epoetin- $\alpha$  (up to 33 999 U/week).

IV = intravenous; ND = no data; SC = subcutaneous; x/week = times per week.

Deicher R, Hörl WH. Differentiating factors between erythropoiesis-stimulating agents: a guide to selection for anaemia of chronic kidney disease. Drugs. 2004;64(5):499-509

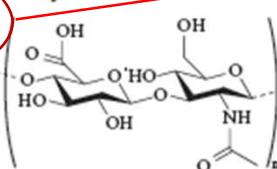
## ALTRÉ MODIFICAZIONI STRUTTURALI

### Hydrophilic polymer conjugate approaches

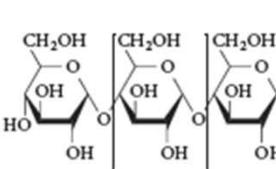
a PEG



b Hyaluronic acid



c Starch



d Si

✓ Migliora solubilità e stabilità

✓ Riduce immunogenicità e proteolisi

✓ Rallenta la clearance dall'organismo, somministrazioni meno frequenti

✓ Aumenta gli effetti clinici

### Advantages:

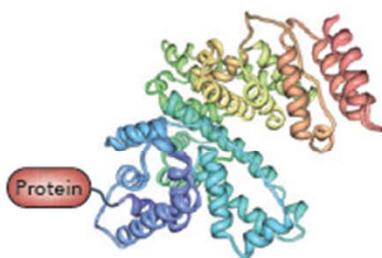
- Variety of established chemistries
- Several successful commercial products
- Ease of evaluation at discovery stage using well-known approaches such as N-hydroxy succinimide or maleimide chemistries (for PEG conjugation)
- Can reduce immunogenicity of proteins

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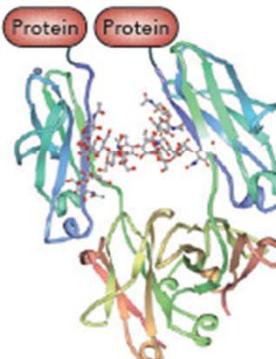
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- Upon modification, structurally discrete molecules become polydisperse
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- Potential immunogenicity of the polymer

### Genetic constructs and fusion approaches

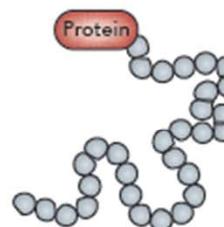
• Albumin



f Fc fusion



g Polyamino acid fusion protein



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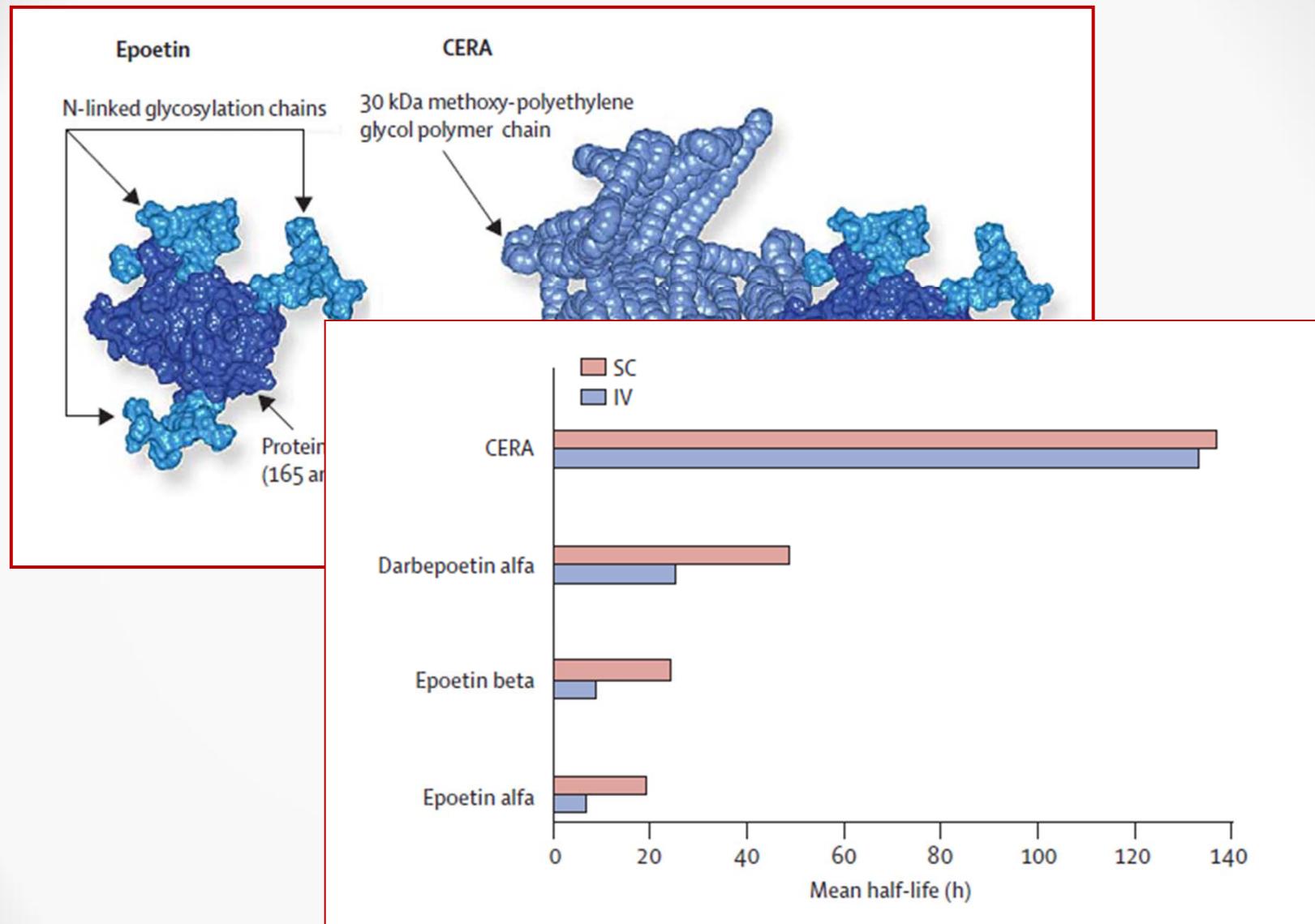
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# PEGHILAZIONE DI PROTEINE TERAPEUTICHE



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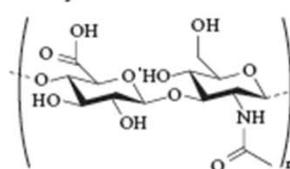
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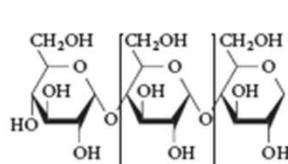
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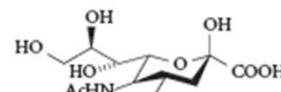
b Hyaluronic acid



c Starch



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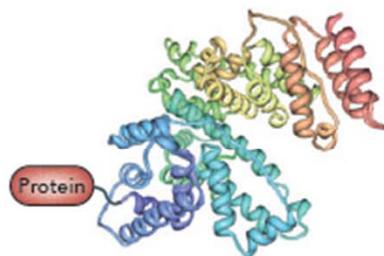
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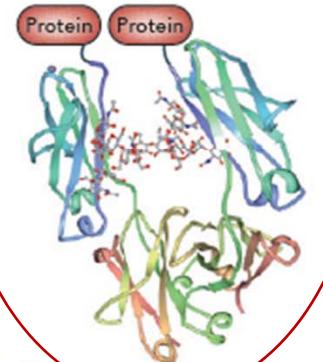
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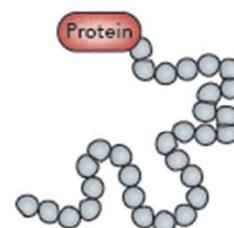
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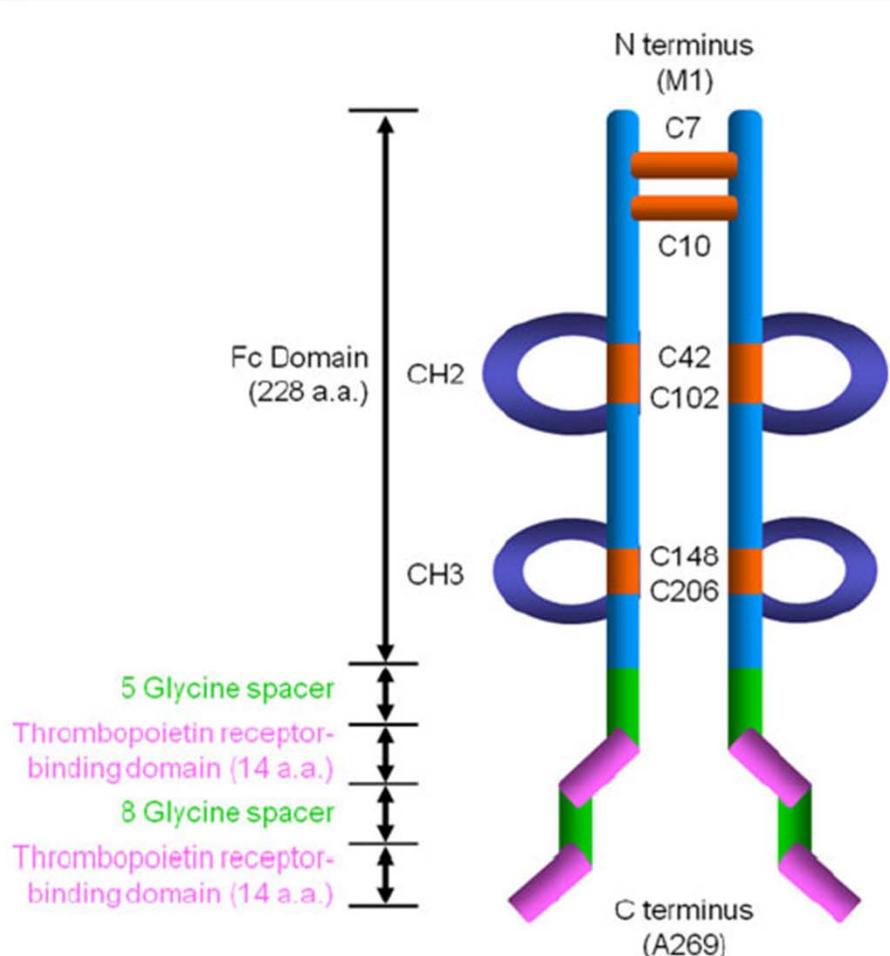
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# Proteine di fusione con la porzione Fc di IgG

Parent drug	Drug	Indication	Commercial Stage
TNF receptor 2 (TNFR75)	Etanercept (Enbrel)	Rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, polyarticular juvenile idiopathic arthritis, psoriatic arthritis, plaque psoriasis	Approved 1998
LFA-3	Alefacept (Amevive)	Severe chronic plaque psoriasis	Approved 2003
CTLA-4	Abatacept (Orenica)	Rheumatoid arthritis, juvenile idiopathic arthritis, psoriasis	Approved 2005
IL-1R	Rilonacept (Arcalyst)	Cryopyrin-associated periodic syndromes	Approved 2008
Thrombopoietin binding peptide	Romiplostim (Nplate)	Chronic idiopathic thrombocytopenia purpura	Approved 2008
VEGFR 1 + 2	Aflibercept (Eylea); ziv-aflibercept (Zaltrap)	Wet age-related macular degeneration; metastatic colorectal cancer	Approved 2011, 2012
CTLA-4	Belatacept (Nulojix)	Prophylaxis of organ rejection in adults receiving a kidney transplant	Approved 2011
Factor IX	rFIXFc (Alprolix)	Hemophilia B	Approved March 2014
Factor VIII	rFVIII -Fc (Eloctate)	Hemophilia A	Approved June 2014
sIL-4R	Altrakincept (Nuvance)	Asthma	Phase III
Angiopoietin 1 and 2 binding peptide	Trebananib (AMG386)	Cancer (various)	Phase III
B cell activating factor	Blisibimod, A-623	Systemic lupus erythematosus	Phase III
TNFR55	Lenercept	Rheumatoid arthritis, severe sepsis	Phase III
Tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily member 13B (TACI)	Atacicept	Systemic lupus erythematosus; multiple sclerosis	Phase II/III
VEGFR 1 + 2	KH902	AMD-associated choroidal neovascularization	Phase II

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# ROMIPLOSTIM



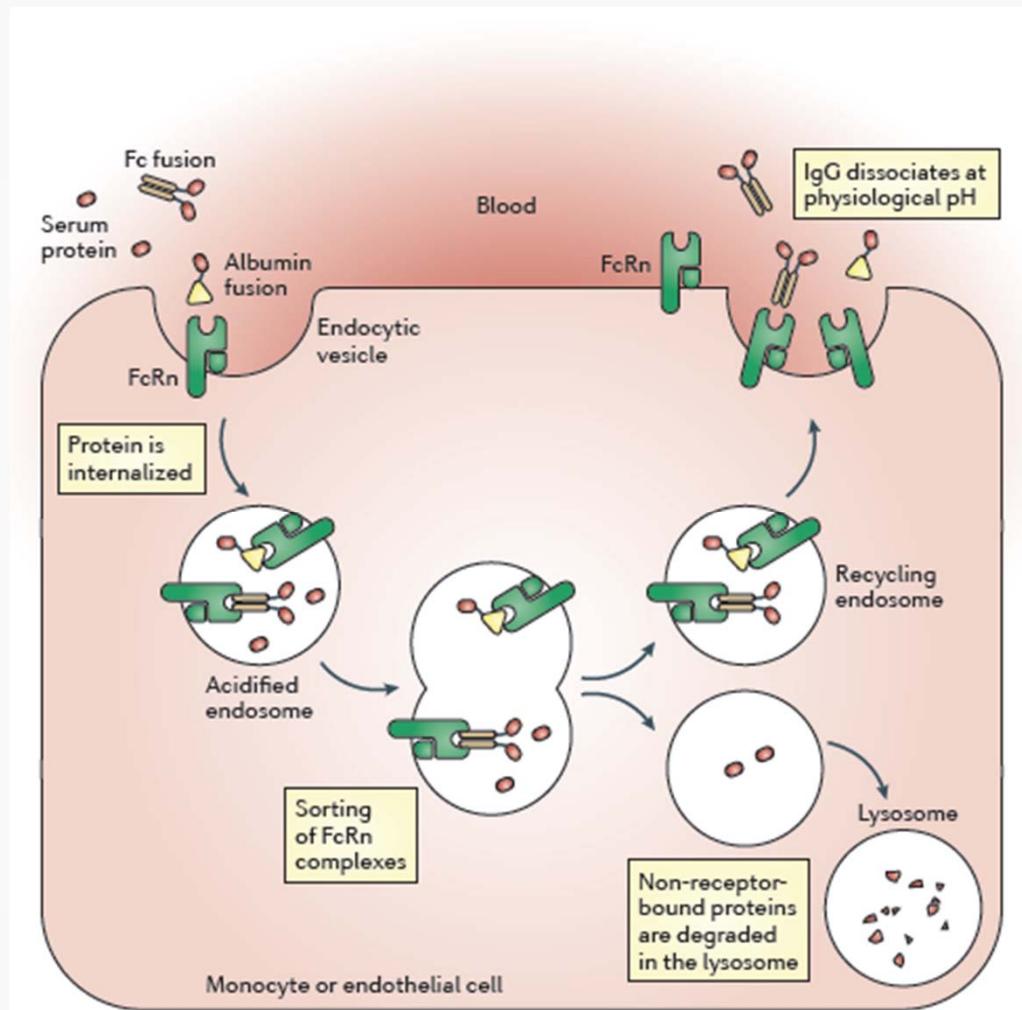
**Fig. 3** Romiplostim structure. Into each arm of the IgG heavy chain are inserted two identical 14-amino acid peptides with the sequence IEGPTLRQWLAARA [66]. Glycine linker regions are also shown [66]

Kuter DJ. The biology of thrombopoietin and thrombopoietin receptor agonists. Int J Hematol. 2013; 98:10-23.

**Table 2** Romiplostim: pharmacological aspects [70]

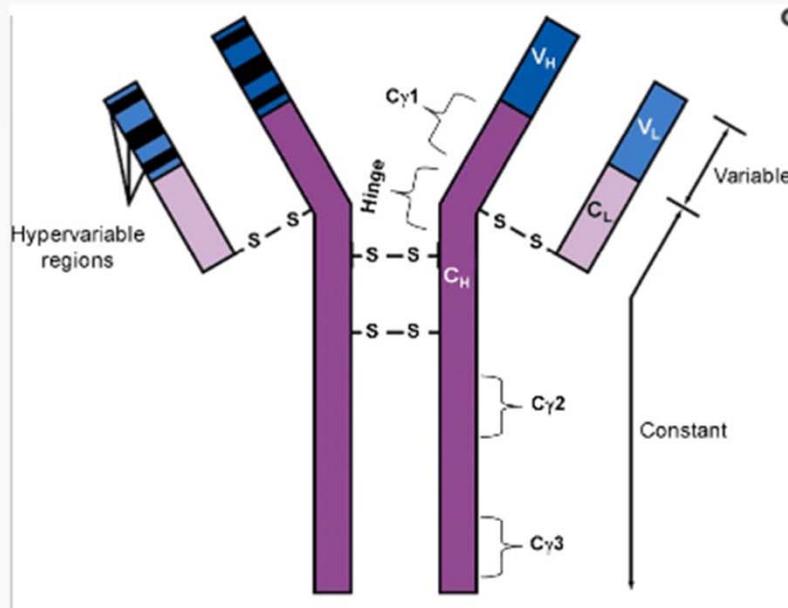
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- Recycled by FcRn on endothelial cells
  - Terminally cleared by reticuloendothelial system
  - T<sub>1/2</sub> = 120–140 h
  - Effects of intravenous and subcutaneous (SQ) administration are the same
  - Not formulated for intravenous use
  - No known effect of renal or hepatic dysfunction
  - Not for use in pregnancy
  - Formulation
    - Vials of 250 (375) and 500 (625) µg that are reconstituted with normal saline
  - Dosage in ITP
    - Starting dose: 1 µg/kg SQ weekly
    - Subsequent dose per platelet count: 1–10 µg/kg SQ weekly
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# FcRn: a ‘recycling mechanism’



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# STRUTTURA E FUNZIONE degli anticorpi



Bumbaca D, Boswell CA, Fielder PJ, Khawli LA. Physiochemical and biochemical factors influencing the pharmacokinetics of antibody therapeutics. *AAPS J.* 2012; 14: 554-558.

**Table 3.** Characteristics of the Human Immunoglobulin Isotypes\*

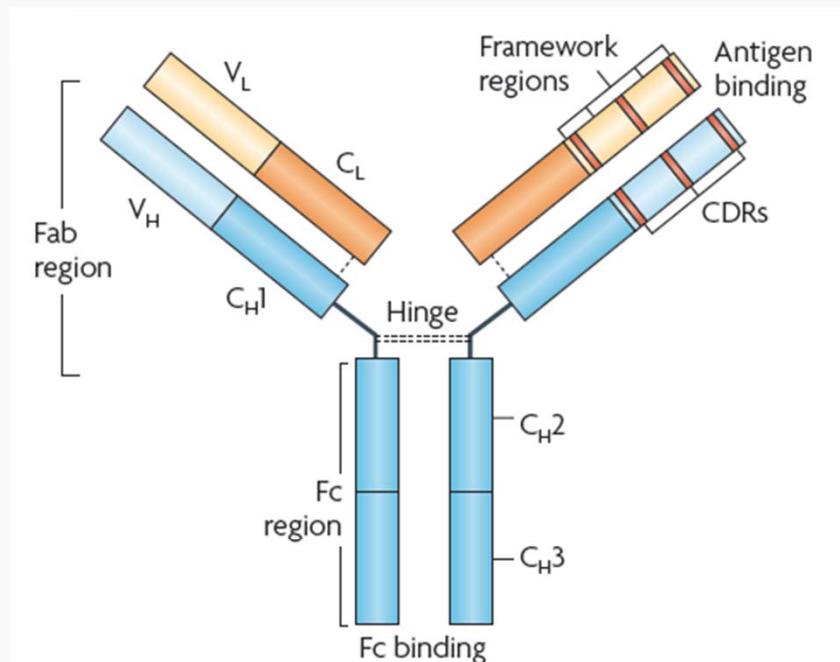
	IgA	IgD	IgE	IgG	IgM
Molecular weight	160 kDa, 400 kDa	175 kDa	190 kDa	150 kDa	950 kDa, 1150 kDa
Molecular form	Monomer, dimer	Monomer	Monomer	Monomer	Pentamer, hexamer
Valence	2, 4	2	2	2	10, 12
Serum concentration (mg/mL)	1.5–2.6	0.04	0.0003	9.5–12.5	0.7–1.7
Serum half-life (days) <sup>a</sup>	6	3	2.5	23	5

\*Data from Frazer and Capra.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Refers to the average half-lives of human immunoglobulins in normal human subjects.

Lobo ED, Hansen RJ, Balthasar JP. Antibody pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. *J Pharm Sci.* 2004; 93: 2645-2668.

# ANTICORPI MONOCLONALI (mAbs)



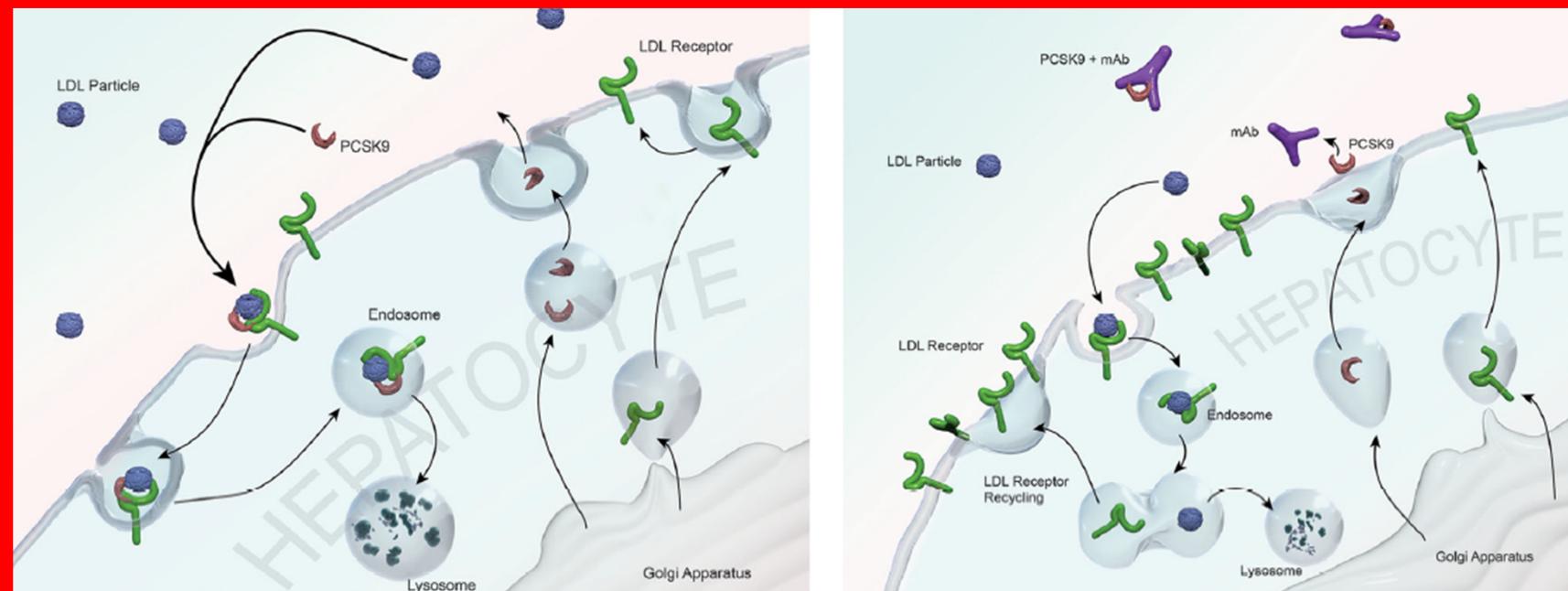
## Types of mAbs

Murine	Entirely murine amino acids	'o' = mouse e.g. muromonab
Chimeric	Human constant (C) + murine variable (V) regions	'xi' = chimeric e.g. rituximab
Humanized	Murine complementarity determining regions (CDRs)	'zu' = humanized e.g. alemtuzumab
Human	Entirely human amino acids	'u' = human e.g. adalimumab

Hansel TT, Kropshofer H, Singer T, Mitchell JA, George AJ. The safety and side effects of monoclonal antibodies. Rev Drug Discov. 2010 Apr;9(4):325-38.

# AREE TERAPEUTICHE

## Anticorpi anti PSCK9



Rodriguez, Knowles JW. PCSK9 inhibition: current concepts and lessons from human genetics.  
Curr Atheroscler Rep. 2015 Mar;17(3):487

# Modalità di somministrazione

**Table I.** Summary of approved therapeutic monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) [as at 27 May 2010]

Generic name	Therapeutic class	Targets	Route of administration	US FDA/European Medicines Agency approval	mAb type
Ibritumomab tiuxetan	Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	CD20	IV	2002/2004	Murine IgG <sub>2</sub>
Infliximab	Crohn's disease	TNF $\alpha$	IV	1998/1999	Chimeric IgG <sub>1</sub>
	Rheumatoid arthritis				
Muromonab-CD3	Organ transplantation	CD3	IV	1986/–	Murine IgG <sub>2</sub>
Natalizumab	Multiple sclerosis	$\alpha_4$ -integrin	IV	2004/2006	Humanized IgG <sub>4</sub>
Ofatumumab	Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia	CD20	IV	2009/2010	Human IgG <sub>1K</sub>
Omalizumab	Asthma	IgE	SC	2003/2005	Humanized IgG <sub>1</sub>
Palivizumab	Respiratory syncytial virus infection	RSV gpF	IM	1998/1999	Humanized IgG <sub>1</sub>
Panitumumab	Metastatic colorectal carcinoma	EGFR	IV	2006/2007	Human IgG <sub>2</sub>
Ranibizumab <sup>a</sup>	Macular degeneration	VEGF-A	IVT	2006/2007	Humanized IgG <sub>1</sub>
Rituximab	Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	CD20	IV	1997/1998	Chimeric IgG <sub>1</sub>
	Rheumatoid arthritis				
Tocilizumab	Rheumatoid arthritis	IL-6 receptor	IV	2010/2009	Humanized IgG <sub>1</sub>
Tositumomab (I-131)	Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	CD20	IV	2003/–	Murine IgG <sub>2</sub>
Trastuzumab	Breast cancer	HER2/neu	IV	1998/2000	Humanized IgG <sub>1</sub>
Ustekinumab	Plaque psoriasis	IL-12/23	SC	2009/2009	Human IgG <sub>1</sub>

a Fab fragment.

b Efalizumab was withdrawn from the market voluntarily in 2009 by the manufacturer.

**EGFR** = endothelial growth factor receptor; **EpCAM** = epithelial cell adhesion molecule; **gp** = glycoprotein; **HER** = human epidermal growth factor receptor; **IL** = interleukin; **IM** = intramuscular; **IP** = intraperitoneal; **IV** = intravenous; **IVT** = intravitreal; **RSV** = respiratory syncytial virus; **SC** = subcutaneous; **TNF $\alpha$**  = tumour

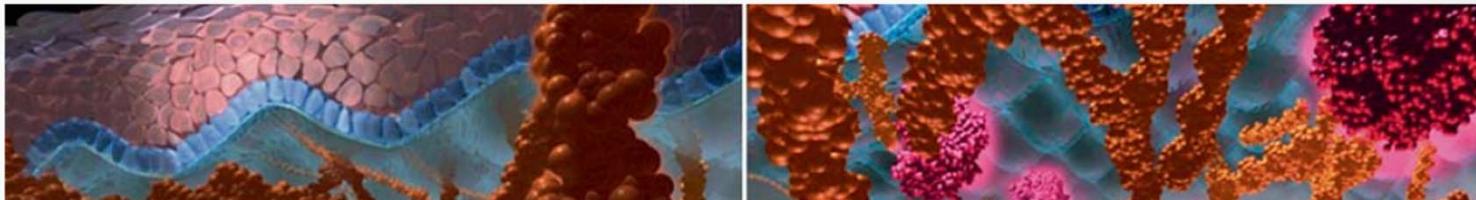
# S.C. vs I.V.

**Table 1** Advantages and disadvantages of subcutaneous and intravenous administration.

Administration form	Advantages
s.c.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ shorter clinic/office visits for the patient</li><li>▶ optimised use of resources</li><li>▶ self-administration is possible</li><li>▶ less invasive than i.v. administration</li></ul>
i.v.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ suitable for substances that can cause irritations</li><li>▶ suitable for drugs that must be administered in larger volumes</li></ul>
Administration form	Challenges
s.c.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ pain-free administration of larger fluid volumes</li><li>▶ minimisation of adverse events at the injection site</li><li>▶ guarantee of good absorption and bioavailability</li><li>▶ administration of exact doses requires practice</li></ul>
i.v.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ requires trained personnel in special infusion settings</li><li>▶ handling of port system (e.g., central port, Hickman catheter, PICC)</li><li>▶ placement of a peripheral cannula</li><li>▶ longer clinic/office stays than with s.c. administration</li><li>▶ risk of systemic infections</li></ul>

Jackisch C, Müller V, Maintz C, Hell S, Ataseven B. Subcutaneous Administration of Monoclonal Antibodies in Oncology. Geburtshilfe Frauenheilkd. 2014; 74: 343-349.

# TESSUTO SOTTOCUTANEO



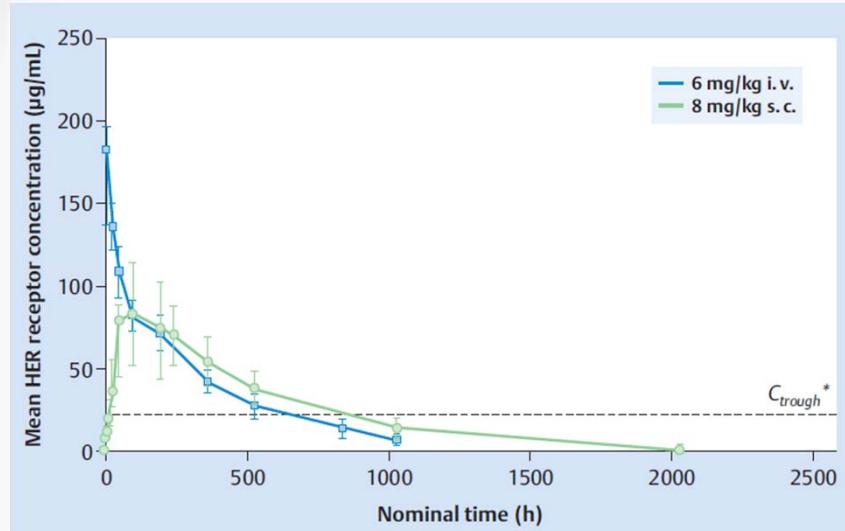
## APERTURA TRANSITORIA DELLA MATRICE EXTRACELLULARE

ENHANZE TECHNOLOGY: rHuPH-20 (human hyaluronidase PH-20)

- ✓ Somministrazione di volumi > 2 mL senza disconfort/dolore
- ✓ Riduzione degradazione di F. Biologici
- ✓ Aumento di biodisponibilità
- ✓ Riduzione reazioni nel sito di iniezione

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# SOMMINISTRAZIONE S.C. di mAb in oncologia: TRASTUZUMAB



	Cohort 1: HMVs, IV	Cohort 2: Patients, IV	Cohort 3: HMVs, SC	Cohort 4: HMVs, SC	Cohort 5: HMVs, SC	Cohort A: Patients, SC	Cohort B: Patients, SC
n	6	6	6	6	6	20	20
Dose, mg/kg	6	6	6	10	8	8	12
$C_{max}$ , µg/mL	150 (14.4)	185 (42.9)	66.8 (11.4)	102 (17.2)	82.0 (11.3)	88.4 (33.3)	151 (58.6)
$t_{max}$ , h <sup>2</sup>	1.65 (1.60-24.0)	3.00 (1.55-24.0)	156 (96.0-216)	132 (96.0-216)	96.0 (96.0-216)	97.1 (47.9-217)	96.1 (24.5-241)
$AUC_{0-\infty}$ , µg d/mL	1610 (303)	1800 (250)	1350 (320)	2500 (515)	1960 (244)	2090 (638)	3550 (982)
$t_{1/2}$ , h	254 (32.2)	244 (69.2)	227 (55.9)	240 (34.4)	236 (43.9)	241 (48.1)	270 (80.1)
$C_{day22}$ , µg/mL	25.6 (12.1)	27.5 (7.45)	31.6 (12.0)	51.4 (15.8)	39.4 (5.48)	37.8 (10.4)	60.8 (22.0)

Abbreviations: HMVs, healthy male volunteers; IV, intravenous; SC, subcutaneous; SD, standard deviation.

<sup>2</sup>Median (min-max).

Wynne C, Harvey V, Schwabe C et al., Comparison of subcutaneous and intravenous administration of trastuzumab: a phase I/Ib trial in healthy male volunteers and patients with HER2-positive breast cancer. J Clin Pharmacol. 2013; 53: 192-201.

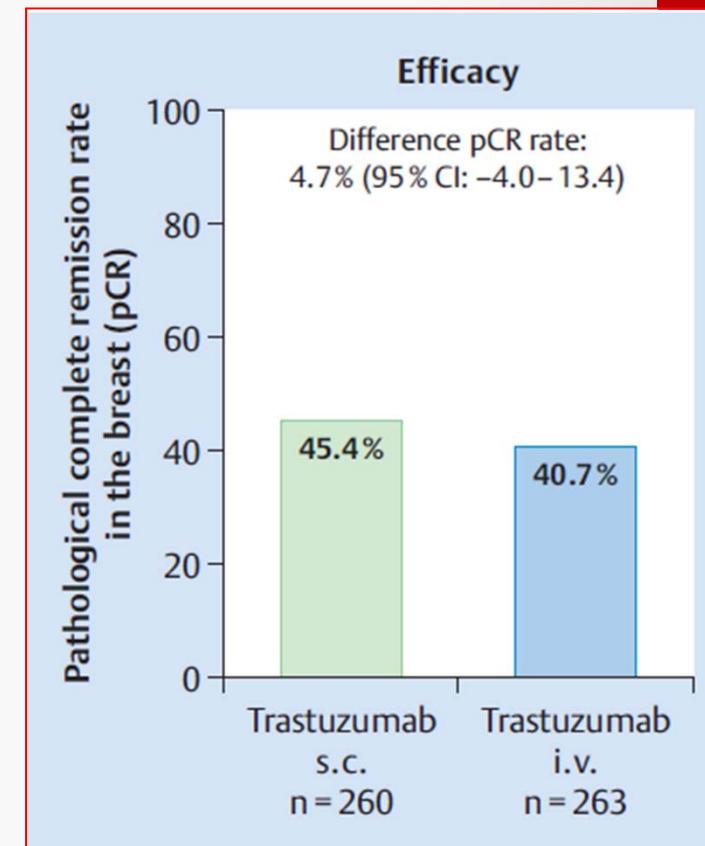
# TRASTUZUMAB S.C.: fixed-dose regimen

## Neoadjuvant/adjuvant setting

	Intravenous trastuzumab (n=235)	Subcutaneous trastuzumab (n=234)
<b>Primary pharmacokinetic endpoint</b>		
$C_{\text{trough}}$ predose cycle 8		
Mean ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ ; SD)	57.8 (30.3)	78.7 (43.9)
Geometric mean ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ ; percentage coefficient of variation)*	51.8 (52.5%)	69.0 (55.8%)
<b>Secondary pharmacokinetic endpoints</b>		
Patients >20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ at predose cycle 8	232 (98.7%)	227 (97.0%)
Mean (SD) $C_{\text{max}}$ at cycle 7 ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ )†	221 (118.0)	149 (64.8)
Mean (SD) $T_{\text{max}}$ at cycle 7 (days)‡	0.05 (0.04)	4.12 (2.91)
Mean (SD) $AUC_{0-21\text{ days}}$ ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}\times\text{day}$ )	2056 (598)	2268 (875)
Geometric mean $AUC_{0-21\text{ days}}$ ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}\times\text{day}$ ; percentage coefficient of variation)§	1978 (29.1%)	2108 (38.5%)

$AUC_{0-21\text{ days}}$ =area under the serum concentration-time curve from 0-21 days;  $C_{\text{max}}$ =maximum serum concentration.  
 $T_{\text{max}}$ =time to  $C_{\text{max}}$ . \*Geometric mean ratio 1.33 (90% CI 1.24-1.44). †Geometric mean ratio 0.67 (90% CI 0.63-0.71). ‡n=233 in subcutaneous trastuzumab group. §Geometric mean ratio 1.07 (90% CI 1.01-1.12).

Table 2: Trastuzumab pharmacokinetic parameters before surgery in the per-protocol pharmacokinetic population



TRASTUZUMAB 5 ml (120 mg/mL di mAb e 2000 U/mL rHuPH20)

Ismael G, Hegg R, Muehlbauer S et al. Subcutaneous versus intravenous administration of (neo)adjuvant trastuzumab in patients with HER2-positive, clinical stage I-III breast cancer (HannaH study): a phase 3, open-label, multicentre, randomised trial. Lancet Oncol. 2012 ; 13: 869-878.

# TRASTUZUMAB S.C.: EMA Approval

**Table 2** European Union indications for subcutaneous trastuzumab in HER2-positive breast cancer (HER2 overexpression or *HER2* gene amplification must be based on an accurate and validated assay)

Early breast cancer	Metastatic breast cancer
Following surgery, neoadjuvant/adjuvant chemotherapy (and radiotherapy where applicable)	As monotherapy after $\geq 2$ chemotherapy regimens for metastatic disease that included an anthracycline and taxane regimen; in hormonal receptor-positive patients, after failed hormonal therapy
In combination with paclitaxel or docetaxel following adjuvant doxorubicin and cyclophosphamide	In combination with paclitaxel in patients not suitable for an anthracycline who have not received chemotherapy for metastatic disease
In combination with adjuvant docetaxel and carboplatin	In combination with docetaxel in patients who have not received chemotherapy for metastatic disease
As neoadjuvant/adjuvant therapy in combination with neoadjuvant chemotherapy in locally advanced (including inflammatory) disease and for tumors $> 2$ cm in diameter	In combination with an aromatase inhibitor in trastuzumab-naïve postmenopausal patients with hormone receptor-positive disease

Sanford M. Subcutaneous trastuzumab: a review of its use in HER2-positive breast cancer.  
Target Oncol. 2014; 9: 85-94.

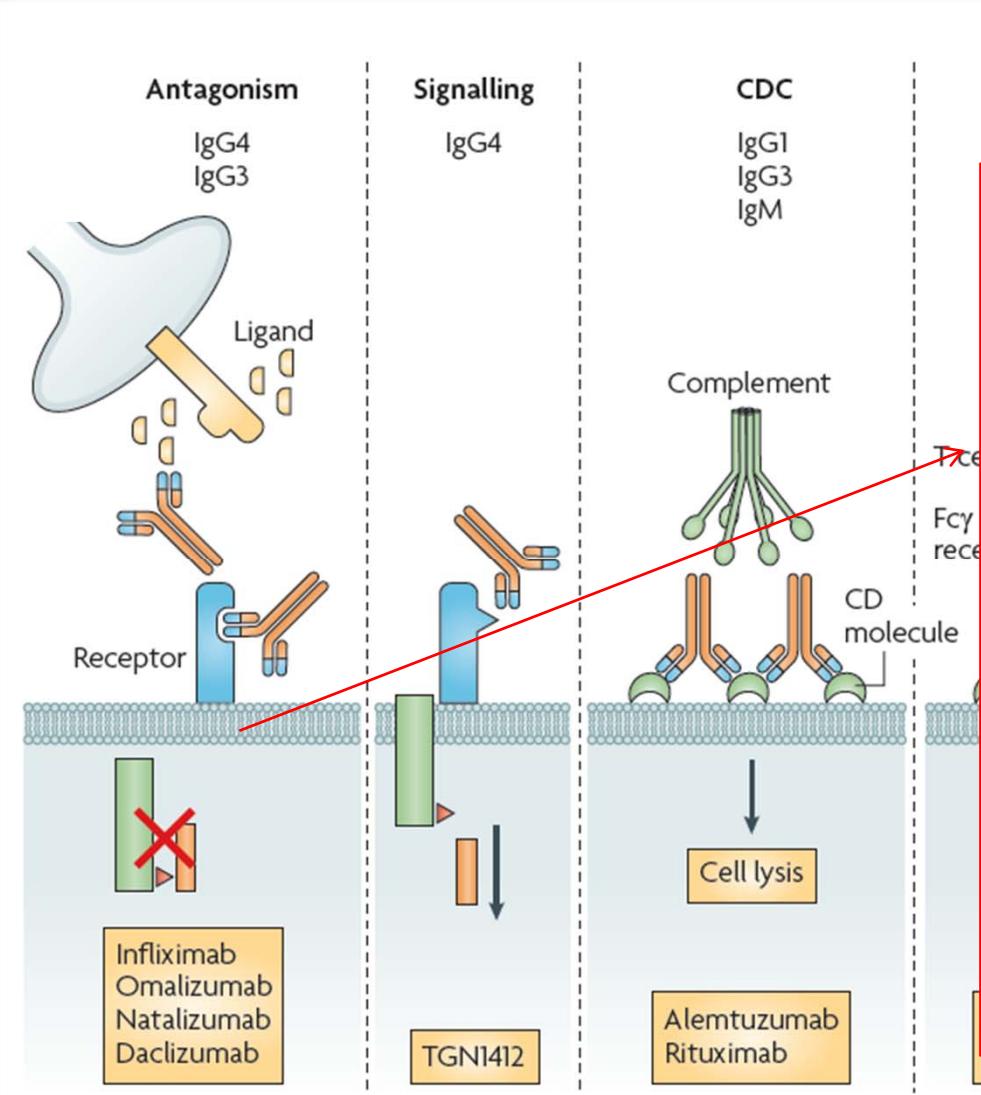
# FARMACOCINETICA mAbs

**Table II.** Reported elimination half-life ( $t_{1/2}$ ) and population pharmacokinetic (PopPK) parameters for monoclonal antibodies (mAbs)<sup>a</sup>

Generic name	$t_{1/2}$	PopPK model	$k_a$ ( $d^{-1}$ )	CL (L/d)	$V_{max}$ (mg/d)/ Km (mg/L)	$V_d$ (L)	Q (L/d)	$V_2$ (L)	Covariates
Abciximab	30 min								
Adalimumab	14 d			0.288		4.7–6.0 <sup>b</sup>			(AA+AGE+DOSE+ RF+CRP)~CL
Alemtuzumab	6 d	2-comp, NLE			24.48/0.338	11.3	25.2	41.5	(WBC)~ $V_{max}$
Basiliximab	7.2d	2-comp, LE		0.881		3.6		4.4	(WT, AGE)~CL
Bevacizumab	20 d	2-comp, LE		0.207		2.66	0.593	2.76	(WT, SEX, ALB, AP, SGOT, CHEM)~CL; (SEX, WT, ALB)~ $V_d$
Canakinumab	26 d			0.174 <sup>c</sup>		6.01 <sup>c</sup>			
Catumaxomab	2.5d								
Certolizumab pegol	14 d			0.408		6.4 <sup>b</sup>			AA+ADM+WT+IMM
Cetuximab	70–100 h	2-comp, NLE			105.1/74	2.83	2.472	2.43	
Daclizumab	20 d								(WT, AGE, SEX, PU, RACE)~CL
Eculizumab	11.3 d	1-comp, LE		0.528		7.7			
Efalizumab	5.5–10.5 d	1-comp; LE, LA	0.191	1.29		9.13			(WT, OBS, PASI, LYM, AGE, DOSE)~CL
Gemtuzumab ozogamicin	1.9d								
Golimumab	12.5 d	1-comp; LE, LA	0.908	0.68 <sup>c</sup>		12.5			MTX

Keizer RJ, Huitema AD, Schellens JH, Beijnen JH. Clinical pharmacokinetics of therapeutic monoclonal antibodies. Clin Pharmacokinet. 2010; 49: 493-507.

# MECCANISMO di AZIONE di mAbs



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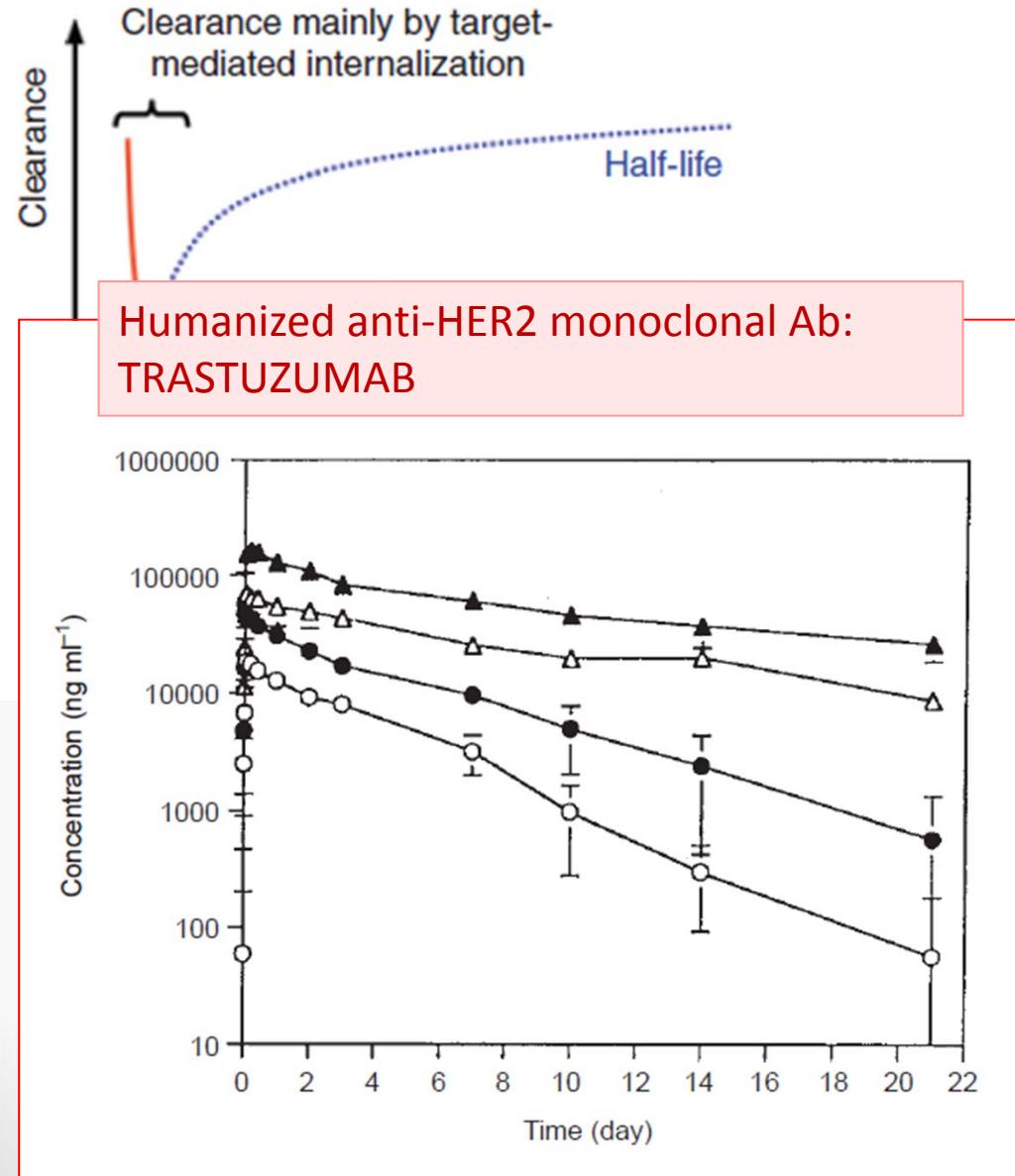
Target-mediati  
espressione e localizzazione del target  
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Proteolisi

Interazioni con altri farmaci

Immunogenicità

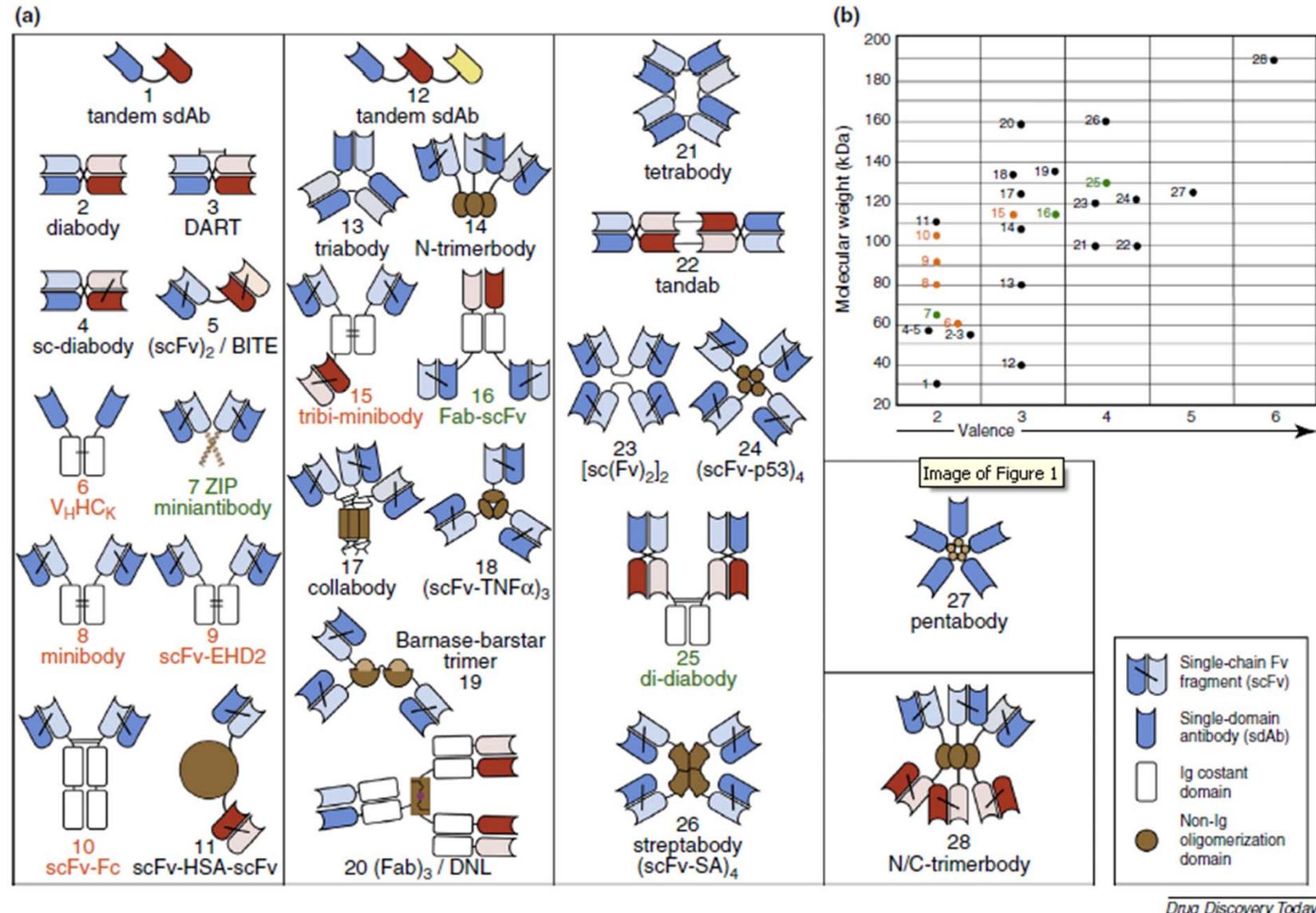
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Tokuda Y, Watanabe T, Omuro Y et al. Dose escalation and pharmacokinetic study of a humanized anti-HER2 monoclonal antibody in patients with HER2/neu-overexpressing metastatic breast cancer. *Br J Cancer.* 1999; 81: 1419-1425.

# mAbs di nuova generazione



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# mAbs di nuova generazione

Comprehensive summary of mAbs						
Name	Format	Antigen	Molecular weight	Target	Indication	Phase
ALX-0061	BiTE					I
ALX-0081/ALX-0681 (caplacizumab)	BiTE					I
ATN-103 (ozoralizumab)	Trivalent monospecific nanobody		42	F protein of RSV	RSV infection	I
ALX-0761	Trivalent monospecific nanobody					I
ALX-0141	Trivalent monospecific nanobody					I
ALX-0171	Trivalent monospecific nanobody					I
<b>AMG 103 (blinatumomab)</b>	<b>BiTE</b>		<b>55</b>	<b>CD19 × CD3</b>	<b>ALL; NHL</b>	<b>Approved: Phase II</b>
AMG 212 (BAY2010112)	BiTE		55	PSMA × CD3	Prostate cancer	Phase I
AMG 110 (solitomab)	BiTE		55	EpCAM × CD3	Epithelial cancers	Phase I
AMG 211 (MEDI-565)	BiTE		55	CEA × CD3	Gastrointestinal cancers	Phase I
MGD006	DART		55	CD123 × CD3	AML	Phase I
MGD007	DART		55	gpA33 × CD3	Metastatic CRC	Phase I
MM-111	Bispecific scFv-HSA fusion		110	HER2 × HER3	Gastric cancer	Phase II
AFM13	Tetraivalent bispecific tandem antibody		110	CD30 × CD16	HL	Phase I
AFM11	Tetraivalent bispecific tandem antibody		110	CD19 × CD3	ALL; NHL	Phase I
F16-IL2 (teleukin)	Bivalent diabody immunocytokine		80	TNC-A1	Breast cancer; lung cancer	Phase Ib/II
L19-IL2 (darleukin)	Bivalent diabody immunocytokine		80	FN-EDB	Melanoma; RCC; pancreatic cancer	Phase IIb
L19-TNF (fibromun)	Trivalent scFv immunocytokine		140	FN-EDB	Melanoma Sarcoma	Phase VII

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