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# Coordination Compounds for Medicinal Applications. Koordinační sloučeniny pro aplikace v medicíně. Ivan Lukeš



#### **Metal – ligand bond**

# Magnetic Resonance Imaging MRI Complexation of Radinuclides

#### 2005

# 23 milions MR examinations in US (25 %) In world near 100 milions examinations Contrast agents are used for more than 35 % Examinations



## **Principles of NMR and MRI**

I = 1/2, m = +1/2, -1/2



NMR – variable frequency – positions of peaks





## **Principles of MRI**



**MRI** – intensity of peak (water protons)+ spatial resolution – field gradient



The figure was adopted from U. S. patent '832 of Dr. R. Damadian on 3D MRI scanner. The patent was filled on March 17, 1972.

P.C. Lauterbur, P. Mansfield(Nobel Prize 2003),R. Ernst (1991)Discrete Fourier Transormation



## **Principles of MRI**





**Contrast in MRI originaters from different water concentration among different types of tissue and also from different relaxation rates of water protons** 

> Proton longitudinal  $T_1$ Proton transversal  $T_2$

magnetic relaxation times

 $T_1$  – positive contrast,  $T_2$  – negative contrast



Proton longitudinal  $T_1$  – paramagnetic species Proton transversal  $T_2$  – ferromagnetic species

**Contrast agents are used for more than 35% examinations** 



95 % CAs are based on Gd(III)





**Interaction of the water molecules with the gadolinium(III) complex** 



Efficiency of contrast agent is expressed as *relaxivity*, r<sub>1</sub>.

 $r_1 \sim$  ability of 1mM CA solution to increase of longitudial relaxation rate  $(1/T_1)$ 

 $\boldsymbol{r}_{1} = \mathbf{f}(\boldsymbol{q}, \boldsymbol{\tau}_{\mathrm{M}}, \boldsymbol{\tau}_{\mathrm{R}}, \boldsymbol{\tau}_{\mathrm{M}}^{\mathrm{SS}}, \boldsymbol{T}_{1,2\mathrm{e}})$ 



# Theoretical profile of relaxivity at 20 MHz, 37 °C





# Simulations of relaxivity as a function of proton Larmor frequency



(<sup>1</sup>H NMRD profile) T = 37 °C,  ${}^{298}\tau_v = 40 \text{ ps}$ ,  $\Delta^2 = 10^{19} \text{ s}^{-2}$ ,  $R_{\text{GdH}} = 3.1 \text{ Å}$ . The gray area shows the range of imaging fields currently used in clinics.



## **Ligads for MRI utilizations**



#### H<sub>4</sub>dota

Dotarem<sup>®</sup>, ProHance<sup>®</sup>, Gadovist<sup>®</sup>





## **Structures of the Complexes**



### [Gd(dota)]<sup>-</sup>

## [Gd(dtpa)]<sup>2–</sup>

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$$r_1 = \mathbf{f}(q, \tau_{\mathbf{M}}, \tau_{\mathbf{R}}, \tau_{\mathbf{M}}^{SS}, T_{1,2e})$$

# Bifunctional phosphinic acid derivatives with optimal $\tau_M$ 10–40 ns

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# Bifunctional phosphinic acid derivatives with optimal $\tau_M$ 10–40 ns

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#### suitable for conjugation of MRI contrast agent to macromolecule

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 $r_1 = \mathbf{f}(q, \tau_M, \tau_R, \tau_M^{SS}, T_{1.2e})$ 

## The chemical/physical features that affect $\tau_{\rm R}$

**Slow molecular tumbling** 

Immobilization of low-molecular Gd(III) complexes

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**Covalent – linear carrier, spheric carrier** 

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## <sup>1</sup>H NMRD profiles

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# Theoretical and experimental relaxivities as a function of $\tau_r$

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Experimental relaxivities (20 MHz, 25 °C) as a function of theoretical  $\tau_{\rm R}$  for G*n*-PAMAM-[Gd(do3aP<sup>ABn</sup>)(H<sub>2</sub>O)]<sub>x</sub> (full diamonds, G*n*-JR<sub>x</sub>) and -[Gd(do3apy<sup>NO-C</sup>)(H<sub>2</sub>O)]<sub>y</sub> (open triangles, G*n*-MP<sub>y</sub>) conjugates.

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# Anchoring of Gd(III) complex on TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles

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#### **Advantages of our approach:**

- No need of working with silylesters
- TiO<sub>2</sub> is highly stable and easily preparable in nanosize
- First complexation, then adsorption
- Formation of monolayer better surface definition
- Phosphonate adsorbs buch more stable than pyrokatechol

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# Anchoring of Gd(III) complex with DOTA-like ligand on TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles

![](_page_19_Figure_2.jpeg)

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![](_page_20_Picture_0.jpeg)

# Anchoring of Gd(III) complex on the TiO<sub>2</sub> surface

#### **TiO<sub>2</sub> – Degussa** (type P25, diameter 30 nm, specific surface ~ $50 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ )

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TiO<sub>2</sub> in H<sub>2</sub>O and the suspension was sonificated in an ultrasonic bath for 20 min. Then, a solution of a Ln(III) DOTAPP complex 2 in H<sub>2</sub>O was added. The pH of the obtained suspension was adjusted to 3.5 and then it was stirred at 70 °C for 3 days followed by 4 h of cooling down. The resulting suspension was washed with water and concentrated on ultrafiltration cell six times.

Qquantified by ICP-AES: The content of  $TiO_2$  was 10.0 g/L the adsorbed amount of the Ln(III)-DOTAPP complex was 52 µmol/g  $TiO_2$ . Surface is fully covered.

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## NMRD profiles of Gd(III)-DOTAPP

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Due to the uncommon shape of the NMRD profile an evaluation of the parameters by fitting the profile was not possible.

An NMRD profile, simulated using a  $\tau_{RH}$ value of 3 ms (from the Debye-Stokes-Einstein relation for particles 30 nm) and with the other parameters the same as those of free Gd(III)-DOTAPP has a maximum which is of about the same magnitude as that observed for Gd(III)-DOTAPP + TiO<sub>2</sub>. This suggests that the Gd(III) chelates are effectively immobilized on the nanoparticles.

The relaxivity of the suspension increases upon increase of the temperature. This confirms that the relaxivity is no longer governed by the rotational correlation time.

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**Cyclodextrins** 

as rigid core carrier for middle  $M_r$ ...

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## Synthesis of conjugates...

 $CD-NH_2 + L-NCS$ 

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Synthesis of conjugates...

# $CD-NH_2 + L-COOH$

#### **Peptide coupling: ligand –COOH to dendrimer –NH<sub>2</sub>**

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# <sup>1</sup>H NMRD profiles of Gd(III)DO3A-P<sup>BnN{CS}</sup> conjugate with ß-cyclodextrine

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# <sup>1</sup>H NMRD profiles of Gd(III)DO3A-py<sup>NO-C</sup> conjugate with ß-cyclodextrine

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# **Comparision of PAMAM and CD conjugates**

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Multimodal Probes Dual Probes

#### **Labelling of Cells**

#### **Distribution of the Cells in Organism**

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#### **Dual Probes**

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## **PAMAM dendrimers conjugates**

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Fluorescent photomicrographs of Langerhans islets labeled by G6.9F0.1C: a) visualization of the contrast agent (green) and karyons (blue); b) highlighting of the a-cells (yellow-orange); c) highlighting of the macrophages (yellow-orange); d) highlighting of the b-cells (pink). Islets were incubated with 1 mm G6.9F0.1C (per Gd<sup>III</sup>) for 24 h. A typical size of the LIs is 300 µm.

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Similar strategy would be applied for development of optical and combined imaging probes.

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# **Relaxometric parameters of Gd(III)–DOTAPP and related ligands**

	Ligand	$\Delta^2$ [10 <sup>20</sup> s <sup>-2</sup> ]	<sup>298</sup> τ <sub>v</sub> [ps]	<sup>298</sup> τ <sub>RH</sub> [ps]	<sup>298</sup> τ <sub>M</sub> [μs]	$r_1$ [s <sup>-1</sup> mM <sup>-1</sup> ]
$HO$ $N$ $N$ $O$ $HO_3H_2$ $HO$ $N$ $N$ $O$ $HO_3H_2$ $HO$ $N$ $N$ $O$ $HO_3H_2$	DOTAPP	0.32±0.3	21±1	135±4	1.00±0.08	6.17
	<b>BPAMD</b> <sup>a</sup>	0.37	17	88	1.18	5.3
	<b>BPAPD</b> <sup>b</sup>	1.22	27	85	1.1	5.0
$H_2O_3P'$ $O' = N = N = HO$ N = N = HO O = OH O = OH	DOTA <sup>c</sup>	0.16	11	77	0.244	4.8

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## **Biodistribution**

#### Biodistribution of <sup>177</sup>Lu-complexes in Lewis rat 24 h after injection

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1 h *p.i*.

## **SPECT/CT Imaging of Rats**

![](_page_35_Picture_2.jpeg)

#### <sup>177</sup>Lu-c1 75–80 MBq

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#### 24 h *p.i*.

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<sup>18</sup>F (110) min., <sup>11</sup>C (20 min.) – cyclotron
 Combination of PET and MRI, PET and CT
 <sup>68</sup>Ga (60 min.), generator

![](_page_37_Picture_0.jpeg)

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