Service Manual

BIOLOGICS DISCOVERY SERVICE

From Target to Preclinical Candidates



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About GenScript ProBio Biologics Discovery Center

About GenScript ProBio

GenScript ProBio, a subsidiary of GenScript Biotech Corporation, is a global player dedicated to providing premium end-to-end service from discovery to commercialization with professional solutions and efficient processes to accelerate drug development for customers. GenScript ProBio has established companies in the United States, the Netherlands, South Korea, and China (Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Nanjing) and other regions to serve global customers, and has helped customers in the United States, Europe, Asia Pacific and other regions obtain more than 70 IND approvals since October 2017.

Biologics Discovery Center

GenScript ProBio Biologics Discovery Center leverages 20-year experience in biologics discovery to offer customers end-to-end services from target to preclinical candidates (PCC). We are dedicated to accelerating your biologics discovery process of getting potential PCCs with functionality and developability.

Our Core Competences



We are a reputable biologics discovery solution provider offering integrated services with speed, quality, and cost-efficiency

Excellence Proven by Impressive Track Record



Highly Integrated Discovery Platforms for Faster Advancement to the Clinical Stage!



Bringing Together Various Technical Campaigns under One-roof

In Vivo Ab Lead GenerationIn Vitro Ab Lead GenerationImage: Approximation of the strength of the s

Accelerating the Discovery of "Me-better" Antibody Candidates

Functionality Optimization

Antibody affinity maturation 10-fold affinity improvement guaranteed

Fc engineering

ADCC, CDC, ADCP enhancement, STR Fc silencing technology and half-life extension

Developability Optimizations

Antibody Humanization Industry-leading timeline in 2.5 weeks

Antibody Developability Prediction, optimization, and assessment

Well-established Pharmacology Platforms in House

Assays & Animal Models

- Ready-to-use bioassays for 100+ popular targets
- 500+ proprietary assay cell lines
- Various efficacy models for different indications:Oncology, metabolic and autoimmune disease

Tailored Full-service Capability

- Customized assay cell lines
- Method development for various bioassays
- Method development for DMPK and bioanalysis (PK\TK, ADA, Biomarkers)

Tailored Discovery Strategies for Various Biologics Modalities, Ensuring the Success Rate!

Cell Therapy

1 approved drug

- Discovery of fully-validated antibody candidates with desirable affinity, epitope and sequence diversity by well-suited discovery strategy for CAR lead candidates
- All-inclusive CAR-T/NK bioassay services from vector construction & cell transduction to functional assay

Monoclonal Antibody

10+ projects in clinical trial

Expertise in Ab discovery for multi-pass membrane targets:

- mRNA and VLP immunization strategies to boost stronger immune response
- Powerdoma[™] hybridoma technology to increase positive clone rate with shorter TAT
- Well-established bioassays and in vivo pharmacology platforms to functionally evaluate Ab candidates





Bispecific Antibody

2+ projects in clinical trial

- Customized bsAb formats based on the target, MOA, and customer's needs
- 4 types of bsAb bioassay platforms: (cell-engager, dual-target blockade, dual immunomodulators, and cell surface protein bridging)
- An array of ready-to-use building blocks (mAbs and sdAbs) for fast and convenient construction & testing of bsAbs of interest



Antibody Drug Conjugate

2+ projects in clinical trial

- Identifying functional Abs with "precise targeting, efficient internalization" in the early screening stage
- Large payload-linker library: 150+ cytotoxins, 950+ linkers and 190+ conjugates
- Live-cell imaging-based internalization assay with speed, high-throughput and consistency



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Antibody Lead Generation Service

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ProSpeed[™] Single B Cell Antibody Discovery Service

Unparalleled Speed! Screening Completed in 1 Day High-throughput, High-resolution Screening for Diverse Desirable Antibody



Why Choose GenScript ProBio?

EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE	 Introduction of the Beacon platform since 2019 Delivery of over <i>110 projects</i> Extensive experience in various targets
A PERFECT COMBINATION WITH PROSPEED [™] EXPRESSION AND BEACON [®] PLATFORM	 Higher throughput Ab expression and assay Breaking through the technical limitations on Beacon screening Cutting more than half of the cost and timeline in confirming functional binders

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Case Study: DLL3 mAb Discovery by Beacon



Up to 4 sequential assays were included in the screening workflow

Assay Type	Positive Binders
Human DLL3	98
Cyno DLL3	127
Mouse DLL3	58
Human DLL3 cell	50

Exported Cross	Unique Sequence
61 out of 100	21 out of 23

Phylogenetic tree

Sequences discovered from Single B screening (green) are highly diverse and clustered to many different branches of the phylogenetic tree.



Various binding affinity to cell surface DLL3 and different binding epitopes



BMK1:Rovalpituzumab; BMK2:Tarlatamab-DLL3-lgG1

Powerdoma[™] Hybridoma Antibody Discovery Service

An Upgrade of Conventional Hybridoma Technology



3 Months to Get Functional Ab Sequences

A STREAMLINED PROCESS

- Elimination of cumbersome two-month subcloning steps for greater efficiency
- Powerdoma[™] timeline: 3-4 months
- Traditional timeline: 4-6 months

B FUNCTIONAL SCREENING FORWARD

 Use hybridoma supernatant for high-throughput cell-based functional assays (such as internalization assay), identify more high-potential leads at the earliest stage

Why Choose GenScript ProBio?



Case Study: Faster to Get More Positive Antibody Sequences with Powerdoma[™] **Platform**

Screening funnel



Some binders showed higher affinity



FACS Binding - DMS53

1 1

10² 10 -Lead-10



- BMK1 - BMK2

PBS

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Lead-1 Lead-2

Lead-3

Lead-4

Lead-5 •

Lead-6 ð

Lead-7

Lead-9

- Lead-8

Human IgG

Human Naïve Library Antibody Discovery Service

Large Library Size & Good Donor Diversity to Allow Discovery of High Affinity Leads

High-quality Human Naïve Library with Good Donor Diversity!

Donors from both sexes, various races & all blood types



Library Features	8
Source	~1000 healthy donors
Material	Human PBMC
Library	Phage Fab library
Total size (cfu)	1.0x10 ¹¹ (in expansion)
Insertion rate	>95%
In-frame rate	>85%
Diversity rate	>95%
CDR3 diversity	Normal distribution
Тад	His & c-Myc
Affinity with SPR	1E-8~1E-10M
Typical TAT	~ 2 months

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Case Study: PD-L1 mAb Discovery





Higher binding and blocking profile than BMK

Key indicators of the best Ab lead

Criteria	Lead	BMK1-Avelumab
ELISA EC50 (nM)	0.2	0.7
FACS EC50 (nM)	0.13	0.51
Affinity by SPR (M)	3.05E-10	8.34E-10
Binding to mPDL1 EC50 (nM)	0.18	0.30
Binding to cynoPDL1 EC50 (nM)	0.68	0.88
Epitope binning	overlapping	/
PD1/PD-L1 blockade assay (EC50, nM)	0.17	1.41

29.5%

21.7%

Single Domain Antibody Discovery Service

Two sdAb Lead Generation Approaches to Increase Success Rate



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Case Study: CD7 sdAb Discovery Using Immunized Library

• Screening funnel



Multiple humanized CD7 VHH leads were discovered showing higher affinity and more potent blockade of CD7 cell surface expression, comparing with the BMK Ab PA3-17-VHH6 (PersonGen).

Ligand	Analyte	Chi² (RU²)	ka (1/Ms)	kd (1/s)	KD (M)	Rmax (RU)
Lead 1-VHH3-Fc	CD7	1.05E-01	4.40E+05	5.19E-05	1.18E-10	76.1
Lead 2-VHH1-Fc	CD7	5.79E-02	2.43E+05	3.18E-05	1.31E-10	100.3
Lead 3-VHH1-Fc	CD7	4.87E-01	3.04E+05	3.04E-05	1.00E-10	77.3
PA3-17-VHH6 (BMK)	CD7	2.88E-01	9.79E+04	1.25E-04	1.28E-09	210

Potent target cell killing was mediated by CAR-T cells with a CAR composed of these VHH leads, confirming their functionality and good potential as CAR component.



Target :Jurkat/Luc killing assay

Target :CCRF-CEM/Luc killing assay



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Antibody Lead Optimization Service

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Antibody Humanization Service

As Fast as 2.5 Weeks to Get Your Antibody Humanized

2.5 weeks, get humanized antibodies with high expression levels, good thermal stability, and comparable affinity with the parental antibodies



Why Choose GenScript ProBio?

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Extensive experience

20-year experience in antibody discovery Delivered over 500 projects The most advanced project is marketed

Top-notch delivery

Delivery in as fast as 2.5 Weeks Guarantee **no loss of affinity** Humanization rate **>95%** Provide developability prediction reports including **PTM, aggregation and immunogenicity**

Case Study: Experienced in Various Ab Formats (mAb, scFv and sdAb)



500

Case Study 2: VHH Humanization

Affinity kinetic analysis

Ligand	Analyte	ka (1/Ms)	kd (1/s)	KD (M)	Rmax (RU)	Chi ² (RU ²)	
VHH WT	Ag	3.57E+04	2.52E-04	7.05E-09	127.1	0.682	
VHH2	Ag	1.50E+04	2.75E-04	1.83E-08	148.9	0.315	
VHH3	Ag	3.26E+04	2.46E-04	7.54E-09	136.8	0.694	1
VHH4	Ag	3.46E+04	2.42E-04	6.99E-09	117.4	0.57	
VHH5	Ag	3.40E+04	2.19E-04	6.43E-09	172.3	0.99	ĺ



Affinity is maximally retained by rational design

250

Time

Antibody Affinity Maturation Service

Combination of Proprietary Precise Mutagenesis Library & High-throughput Screening Platform (FASEBA)

More comprehensive screening strategies, guarantee 10-fold improvement!



1 Precise Site-Saturation Mutagenesis Library, PML



FASEBA High-throughput Screening Platform



Exhaustive mutagenesis possibilities

- Semiconductor-based oligo synthesis technology
- Precise site-saturation mutagenesis to ensure even distribution of 18 mutated amino acids at each residue
- No stop codons and unexpected codons

Quickly screen out molecules with the highest affinity, expression level and the best biophysical properties.

- Technology introduced from National Research Council Canada
- Affinity ranking by SPR was performed with prokaryotic expression supernatant, which greatly reduces the cost and cycle of recombinant expression, and ensure the success rate of screening.

Case Study:1316-fold Affinity Improvement, from 10⁻⁷ to 10⁻¹⁰

Ligand	Analyte	Chi² (RU²)	ka (1/Ms)	kd (1/s)	KD (M)	Rmax (RU)
WT	Target C	1.33E+00	3.79E+05	2.53E-01	6.66E-07	162.9
variant1	Target C	5.37E-02	3.77E+05	5.50E-04	1.46E-09	45.3
variant2	Target C	8.22E-02	5.87E+05	3.74E-04	6.38E-10	50.5
variant3	Target C	3.76E-02	4.92E+05	2.49E-04	5.06E-10	49.9

Fc Engineering Service

- Fc engineering service:
- \checkmark Fc silence
- ADCC,CDC, ADCP enhancement
- $\sqrt{}$ Half-life extension

• One-stop Fc engineering solution from sequence design to pharmacology study

Case Study 1: STR Silencing Technology

A cell-based reporter assay (Fig 6a) showed that the STR variant had no activity on all FcγRs compared to wild-type IgG1, LALA, and aglycosylated variants. A cytokine release assay with PBMCs isolated from healthy donors showed (Fig 6b) that STR exhibited no significant activity above buffer alone for all cytokine measured. **STR silencing technology truly abolishes the Fc domain effector function.**



Fig. Cell-based assay for different Fc silence mutants

* Data comes from mAbsolve

Case Study 2: ADCC and CDC Enhancement

The potency of ADCC and CDC against PA-1 target cells of two mutated Fc constructs was evaluated. As reported, the published Fc mutation sequences showed enhanced ADCC and CDC activities on PA-1 cells.



Fig. Cell-based assay for different Fc mutants

Antibody Developability Optimization Service

- One-stop developability solution from prediction to optimization
- PTM optimization: Guarantee no affinity loss
- Antibody aggregation optimization: guarantee at least 5-fold yield improvement

The developability prediction **allows optimization of PTM sites and hydrophobic regions** to obtain antibody candidates with better developability.



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Biologics Pharmacology Service

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In Vitro Bioassay Service

A Versatile Platform for Functional Evaluation



6 Featured Functional Assay Platforms

Bioactivity of monoclonal Ab Fab domain

1.Functional assays

- Binding Assays
- Agonist activity
- · Ligand blockade activity
- Neutralization Assays

2.Preclinical safety assessment

- · Cytokine release syndrome assessment
- Species cross-reactivity assessment

3. Customized primary cell assays

• T/Treg, NK, macrophage, etc.

Bioactivity of monoclonal Ab Fc domain

1.ADCC effect evaluation

- PBMC
- Reporter gene cell
- Primary NK cell/NK cell line

2.ADCP effect evaluation

- Primary macrophage cell
- Reporter gene cell
- **3.CDC effect evaluation**
- Complement proteins
- Normal human pooled serum

4.Customized primary cell assays

• T/Treg, NK, macrophage, etc.

Bispecific Ab characterization

1.In trans cell bridging assay

- T cell engager
- NK cell engager
- Anti-TAA x immune checkpoint

• (stimulatory or inhibitory)

- 2.Dual target blockade/modulatory assay
- Immune cell activation
- Downstream signaling pathway analysis

3.In cis cell surface protein bridging assay

ADC lead characterization

1.Antibody internalization assay

- Live-cell imaging based Internalization
- pH-indicator-based internalization
- Toxin-conjugated mAb-based cytotoxicity assay
- Temperature shift-based internalization

2.Cytotoxicity assay

- Cell viability assay
- Cell apoptosis assay
- Cell cycle analysis assay

3.By-stander effect

Medium transfer or co-culture assay

Cell line engineering

- 1.Target overexpression cells
- 2.Reporter gene cell and assay
- development
- 3. Customized bioactivity assays
- based on cell lines
- 4. Customized primary cell engineering
- T, NK, macrophage, etc.

Other functional analysis platforms

- **1.CGT** functional characterization
- CAR-T, CAR-NK
- AAV

2.Virus packaging and testing & VLP display

- 3.GPCR drug screening and evaluation
- Calcium flux;cAMP;beta-arrestin
- 4.Cell apoptosis/cycle analysis/growth
- Annexin-V/PI staining
- Caspase-3 activity

ADC Lead Characterization: 8 Assay Formats Available for ADC Evaluation

Upgraded strategy: real-time live cell imaging-based internalization and bystander effect assay



The **Incucyte® live-cell analysis system** enables direct detection of antibody internalization in a 96-well plate. Cells were treated with either Incucyte® FabFluor labeled anti-ROR1 antibody (UC-961) or hIgG1 isotype control. Dose response study showed a rapid increase in red object area in CHO-K1/ROR1 cells treated with anti-ROR1 antibody (UC961).



Her2+ and Her2- cells expressing red and green fluorescence, respectively, were co-cultured with ADC for 7 days, and fluorescence imaging was performed using a live-cell imaging system. Green fluorescence and bar graphs demonstrated

Green fluorescence and bar graphs demonstrated specific killing of Her2- cells.

CAR-T Lead Characterization: A Versatile Platform for Functional Evaluations of CAR Leads

From vector construction & T cell transduction to functional evaluation



In Vivo Pharmacology Service

Comprehensive Services from Discovery to Clinical Development

Drug Discovery

Drug Development

- Animals Model Development
- Early PD
- Early PK
- Early toxicity

- In vivo biological activity
- PDPK
- Toxicity

Clinical Trials

- IIT/IIR & IST
- Preclinical supplementary research
- Extended indications research

Key Features

Various Modalities

- Monoclonal antibodies
- Bispecific antibodies
- Antibody drug conjugates
- Cell and gene therapy
- Recombinant Proteins
- Vaccines

One-stop Platform

- In vivo efficacy & DMPK studies
- · Safety evaluation
- Diverse bioanalytical detection
- CMC+ Ecology, GMP+GLP
- Customized services

Extensive R&D Experience

- 30+ drug discovery projects
- 8+ CGT discovery projects
- 10+ integrated projects
- 5+ global IND approvals
- NMPA/FDA/EMA compliance

In Vivo Pharmacology Platforms

In Vivo Efficacy and Biological Activity Study	Antitumor mouse models Syngeneic model Transgenic model CDX model PBMC immune humanization model Metastasis or orthotopic model 	 Non-tumor disease models Metabolic disease models Autoimmune disease models In vivo bioactivity assay Assisted reproductive drug efficacy Regenerative treatment Customized services
In Vivo DMPK & Bioanalysis	In vivo DMPK Plasma stability Method development and validation PK or PK-PD test ADA & Nabs test Tissue distribution Receptor occupancy	Bioanalysis Tumor Infiltrating Lymphocytes Pathological Tissue Cross-Reactivity Immuno-phenotyping Cytokine testing Tissue chip Customized services
In Vivo Toxicity	Early toxicity (Non-GLP) Drug tolerance Animal survival rate Predict toxic effects Other customized services 	GLP toxicity Acute toxicity Long-term toxicity Safety pharmacology Tissue cross reactivity Preparation safety Immunotoxicity Genotoxicity Reproductive toxicity

Various Ready-to-use Tumor Models for Efficacy Study



Comprehensive Biological Analysis Empowers Drug Discovery ProBio's typical workflow





Preliminary Developability Assessment

Preliminary Developability Assessment Service

A Critical Step for Both Antibody Discovery and CMC Development

Developability assessment is one of the most important evaluations in the development of biologics at both the drug discovery and CMC stage. The developability assessment services offered at GenScript ProBio may help identify the potential developability risk of Ab lead candidates and select the CMC candidates at discovery stage, and provide critical information to guide the process development & optimization at CMC stage.

Typical Instruments













HPLC/UHPLC System

LC-MS System

DLS System

DSF System

Imaged Capillary Electrophoresis System

Biacore 8K

Service Package (for mAb)

Service		Ş	Deliverables	Timeline				
Basic	Quality attributes Test item		Stressed conditions				Dements	
		None		40°C	Low pH 3.5	Report:		
	Tagg	DLS	\checkmark		-	-	Tagg Conc. Purity	6-8 weeks
	Conc.	UV280	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark		
	Purity	SEC-HPLC	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark		
	Purity	CE-SDS-NR	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark		
Premium	Quality attributes Test item	Stressed conditions						
		None	40°C	Low pH 3.5	Freeze-thaw	Report:		
	Tagg	DLS	\checkmark	-	-	-	• Tm • Conc.	6-8 weeks
	Tm	DSC	\checkmark	-	-	-		
	Conc.	UV280	\checkmark	$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	\checkmark	\checkmark	Purity	
	Purity	SEC-HPLC	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	Charge variant profiles	
	Purity	CE-SDS-NR	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		
	Charge variants	icIEF	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		

Want to Get More Informative Data on Developability?

Try our **ProGram** platform to generate high quality material for developability assessment!

- Product quality close to CMC sample
- High productivity stable pool: 2-3g/L
- High batch to batch consistency compared to transient
- 12 weeks from gene synthesis to purified material





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