

PET Lipid A Vaccine Adjuvant and Related Technologies

Adjuvants Play an Important Role in Modern Vaccines



Why Use Adjuvants?

- › Modern subunit vaccines utilize highly purified protein/peptide antigens
- › Such antigens by themselves are not able to stimulate an effective immune response
- › Effective adjuvants can be antigen dose / frequency sparing
- › Effective adjuvants can prime & boost *the right* type of immune responses

Why TLR4 Agonists?

- › TLR4 agonists represent the next generation of adjuvants
- › Successfully approved by FDA (MPL® adjuvant in Cervarix™)
- › Proven biology and MOA
- › Ability to shape desired immune response (cellular, humoral)

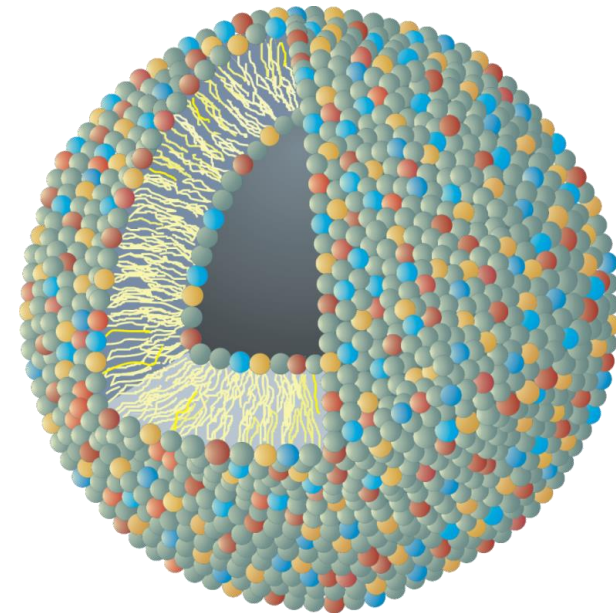
PET Lipid A is the only fully synthetic TLR4 agonist available for adjuvant use with composition of matter patent protection



- › **PET Lipid A adjuvant**
 - › Phase 1 safety data
 - › Fully synthetic product
 - › >10-fold greater potency relative to MPL®¹
 - › Composition of matter patent & manufacturing IP

- › **Liposomal microparticle formulation**
 - › Liposomes composed of cholesterol and two phospholipids: DPPC and DMPG
 - › Simple to manufacture, scalable
 - › Accommodates sterile filtration

- › **Di-lipidated peptide antigen**
 - › Proprietary peptide antigen formulation for liposomal delivery
 - › Increases humoral immunity to peptide



¹ MPL = monophosphoryl lipid A

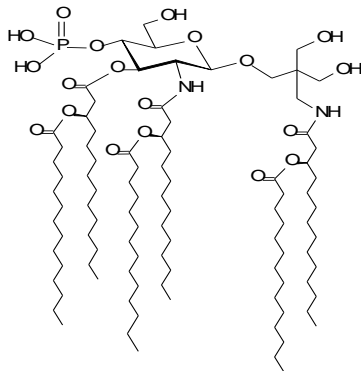


› Properties of PET Lipid A

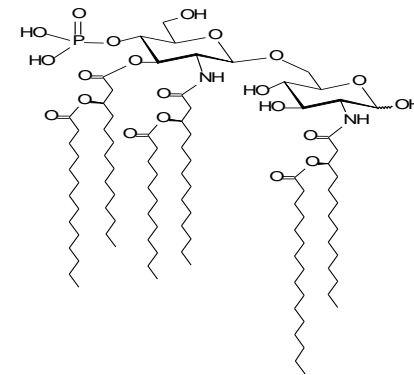
- › Like MPL, PET Lipid A is a “detoxified” form of LPS
- › Interacts with TLR4 to active antigen presenting cells

› Comparison to MPL®

- › MPL® which is a natural product derived from *Salmonella minnesota* LPS; PET Lipid A is fully synthetic, eliminating lot to lot variability and allowing better quality control
- › PET Lipid A is >10-fold more potent than MPL in pro-inflammatory cytokine assays using human PBMCs
- › MPL® is owned exclusively by GSK and not available for license



PET-A – Lipid A pentaerythritol-6-chain-C₁₄-mono-phosphate



MPL – 6-acyl-Monophosphoryl Lipid A (4, 5 acyl forms are also present) in mixture

Fully Synthetic PET Lipid A Advantages vs MPL®



› PET Lipid A

› Fully synthetic

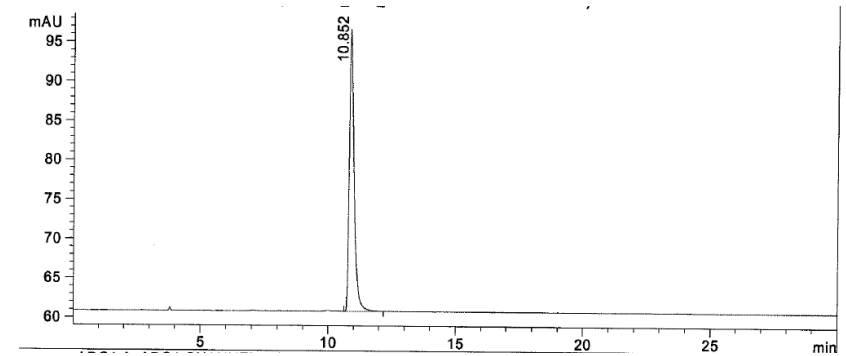
- › Single, potent hexa-acyl C14 form
- › BSE/TSE free

› Manufactured under cGMP

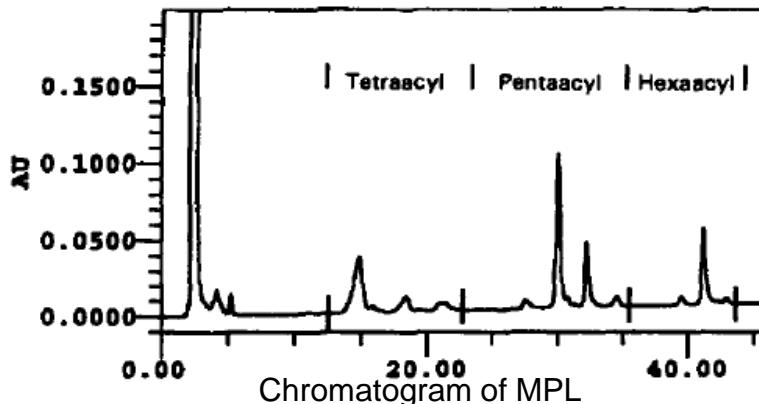
- › High chiral and chemical purity
- › Lot-to-lot consistency

› MPL®

- › Variable mixture of acyl congeners derived from bacterial (*Salmonella minnesota*) fermentation, isolation, hydrolysis, and purification



Chromatogram of PET Lipid A



(Journal of Chrom A, Ribl ImmunoChem 1997)

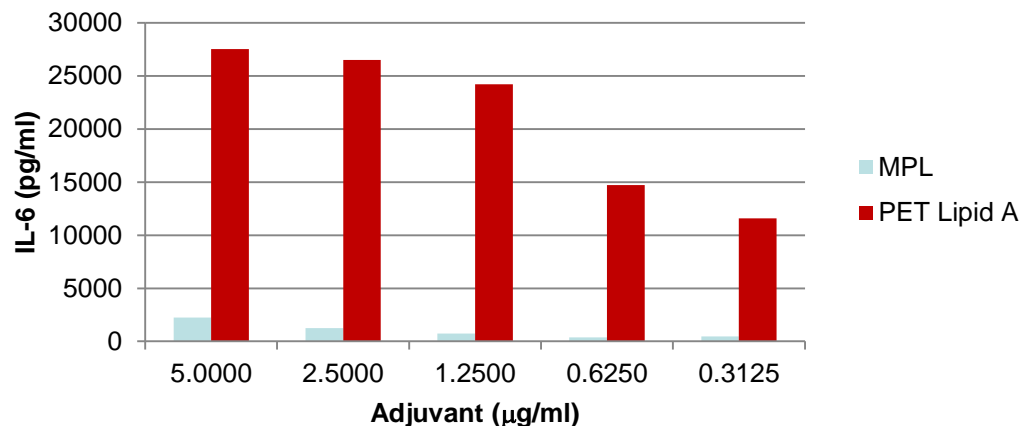
“Underacylated lipid A structures, containing four or five fatty acids, induce markedly less host defense responses and can inhibit, in a dose-dependent manner, the strong endotoxic response triggered by hexa-acylated LPS.”

Teghanemt A. et al., 2005. Molecular basis of reduced potency of underacylated endotoxins. J Immunol. 175(7):4669-76.

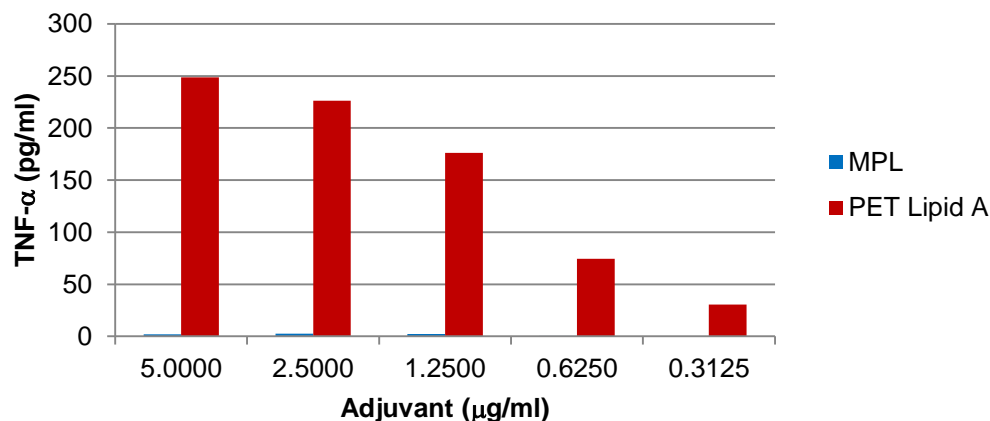
PET Lipid A is More Potent than MPL in Human PBMC Cytokine Assays



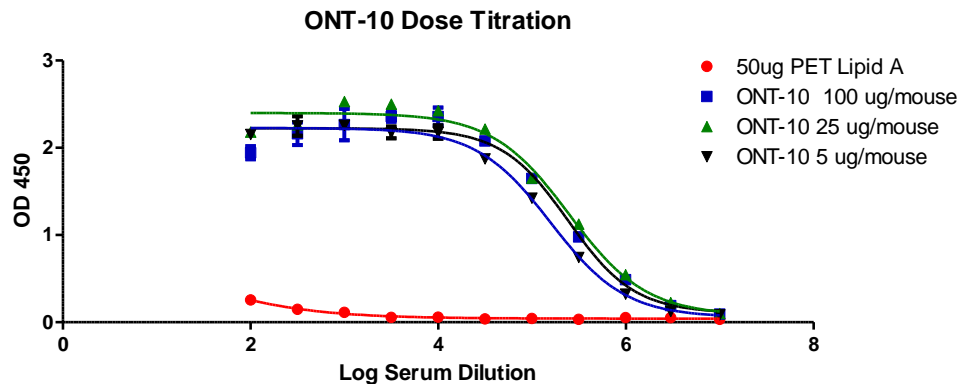
Comparison of IL-6 Induction by PET Lipid A and MPL



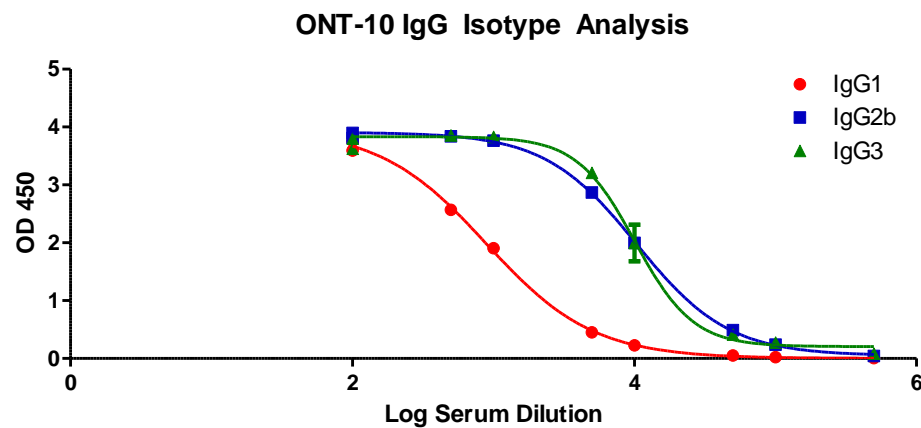
Comparison of TNF-α Induction by PET Lipid A and MPL



PET Lipid A Induces a Robust Humoral Response in Mice



- **Potent induction of high titer IgG response**
 - Antibody titer endpoints >1:500,000

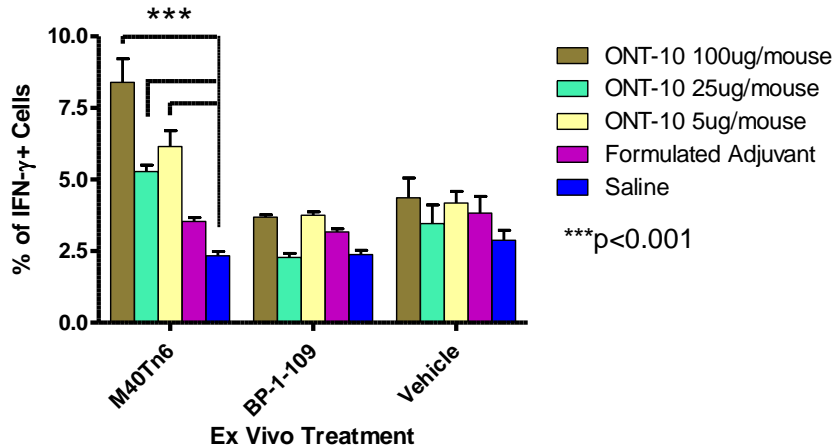


- **Isotype analysis consistent with Th1 response**
 - IgG2b, IgG3>IgG1

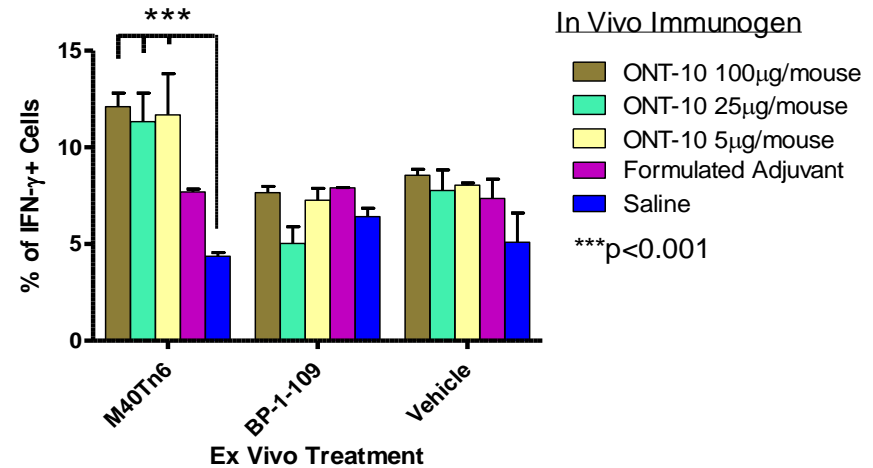
PET Lipid A Induces a CD4+ and CD8+ T-cell Response



Intracellular IFN γ Quantification in CD4+/CD8- Splenocytes of Immunized C57BL6J Female Mice



Intracellular IFN γ Quantification in CD4-/CD8+ Splenocytes of Immunized C57BL6J Female Mice



PET Lipid A's Properties Favor its Use as a Vaccine Adjuvant



- › **Fully synthetic hexa-acyl structure provides for:**
 - › More than 10-fold more potent induction of inflammatory cytokines compared with MPL®
 - › Straightforward manufacturing, characterization
- › **Supports robust cellular (CD4, CD8) and humoral (Th1 Ab) response**
 - › Superior profile compared to historical data with MPL® formulations
- › **Favorable safety profile**
 - › Demonstrated safety profile in ONT-10 Phase 1 clinical trial

PET Lipid A Manufacturing is Proprietary and Scalable



- › **Manufacturing is exclusively owned & controlled by Oncothyreon**
 - › Manufacturing IP
 - › Utilize contract manufacturing organizations for production
- › **Current cGMP process is 5-step synthesis**
 - › Successful cGMP campaign Excellent chemical purity and stability
 - › Qualified analytical methods
- › **Process scale-up activities underway to support future clinical development of pipeline products***

* ONT-10 is Oncothyreon's MUC1 – based therapeutic cancer vaccine combined with PET Lipid A in Phase 1 clinical trials. This product is not available for license.

PET Lipid A Has Comprehensive Intellectual Property Protection



- › **US issued patents on composition, methods**
 - › US 7,820,627
 - › US 8,097,593

- › **Foreign issued patents on composition, methods**
 - › EP 1 549 322
 - › AU 2003228966
 - › CA 2,485,253
 - › JP 2004-50238

- › **Additional patents/applications around liposome formulation, dilipidation, and others**



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