

**New tools for therapeutic antibodies and anti-drug antibodies (ADA)
detection in human serum**

Background: The therapeutic use of chimeric or humanized antibodies such as Remicade®, Mabthera® or Roactemra® has greatly improved the treatment of several autoimmune diseases (rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, inflammatory bowel disease, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, leukemias, or lymphomas). However, therapeutic failure is observed in a significant proportion of patients treated with therapeutic antibodies. Among several hypothesis, the development of an anti-drug response (Anti-drug antibody (ADA)) may explain the loss of response due either to degradation and/or to neutralization of the drug effect. Therefore, accurate monitoring of drug and anti-drug antibody levels should be implemented in routine clinical practices.

Objective: Development of a panel of murine monoclonal antibodies against Remicade®, Mabthera® or Roactemra® intended to monitor the level of therapeutic antibodies and anti-drug antibodies in patient's sera.

Materials and Methods**Therapeutic antibodies used as immunogen**

| Therapeutic antibody | Alias | Target | Description | Supplier |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Remicade | Infliximab | TNF- α | chimeric IgG1/ κ | Janssen BV |
| Mabthera | Rituximab | CD20 | chimeric IgG1/ κ | Roche |
| Roactemra | Tocilizumab | IL6-R | humanized IgG1/ κ | Roche |



Immunization

The immunization program was performed according to Dendritics routine process.

Briefly, one BALB/c Jico (Charles River's Laboratory) was immunized with Remicade, Mabthera and Roactemra according to the following schedule:

- Day 0 : IP1 3X30µg mAb in complete Freund adjuvant (1ml)
- Day 14 : IP2 3X30µg mAb in incomplete Freund adjuvant (1ml)
- Day 21 : IP3 3X30µg mAb in PBS (1ml)
- Day 29 : IV 50µg pool 3 mAbs inPBS (0.5ml)+ IP 40µg pool 3 mAbs in PBS (0.5ml)
- Day 32 : Splenocytes isolation and fusion with SP2/0 myeloma cells.

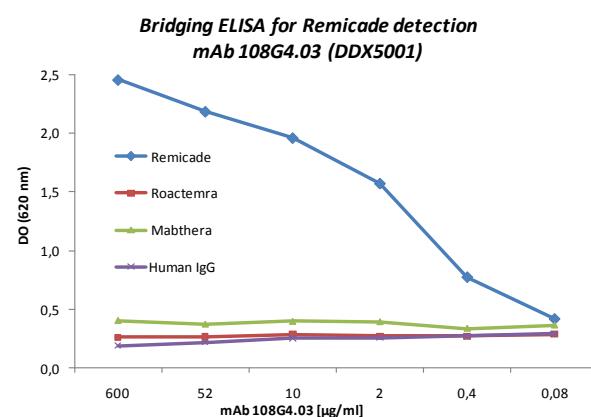
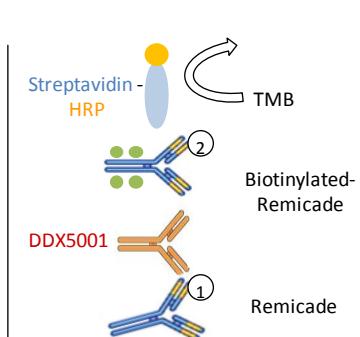
Results

A panel of murine monoclonal antibodies was selected for each therapeutic antibody. These antibodies were set up in ELISA aiming at the dosage of both therapeutic antibodies and anti-drug antibodies (ADA) in human serum samples.

REMICADE (DDX5001-DDX5002)

Remicade® is a chimeric monoclonal antibody targeting TNF- α , used for the treatment of autoimmune diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosis spondylitis, Crohn's disease, psoriatic arthritis or ulcerative colitis. We have generated a panel of anti-Remicade® monoclonal murine antibodies. These antibodies can be used for the determination of Remicade® levels in biological fluids. In addition, competitive ELISA using these antibodies allows the dosage of anti-Remicade® in sera of patient under Remicade therapy.

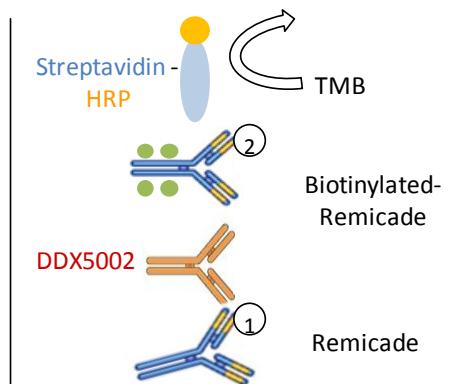
DDX5001 and DDX5002 are highly specific for Remicade



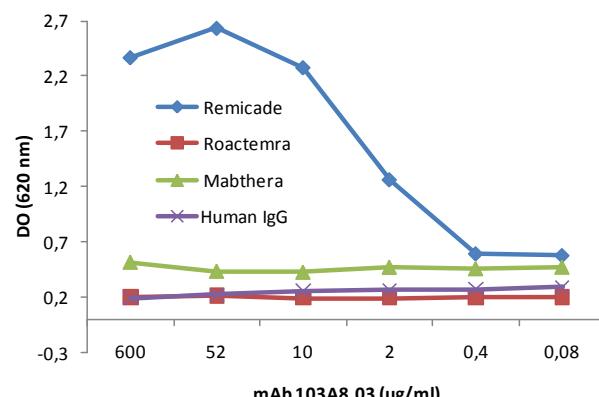


Langerin

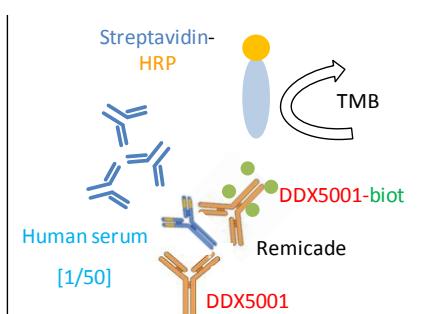
Basulum



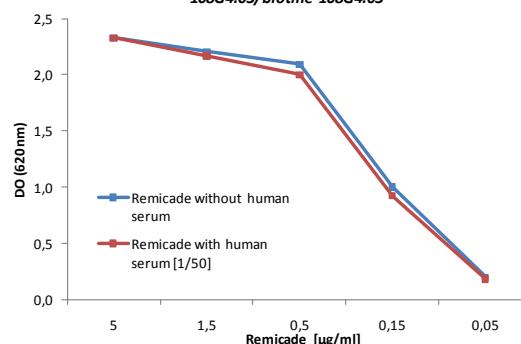
**Bridging ELISA for Remicade detection
mAb 103A8.03 (DDX5002)**



Remicade detection by DDX5001 is not affected by human serum

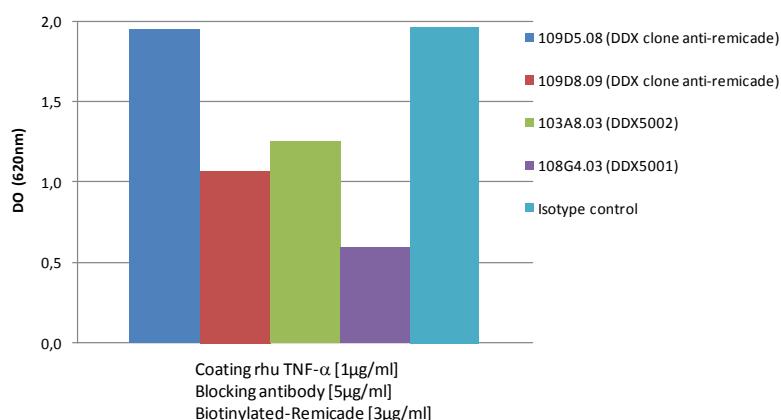


**ELISA detection of Remicade with or without human serum
108G4.03/biotine-108G4.03**



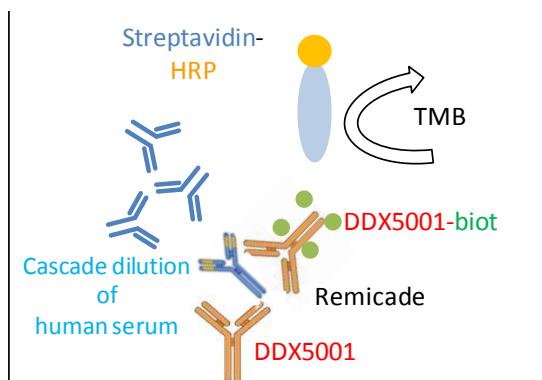
DDX5001 and DDX5002 significantly inhibit Remicade binding to TNF-α

Inhibition of Remicade binding to TNF-α

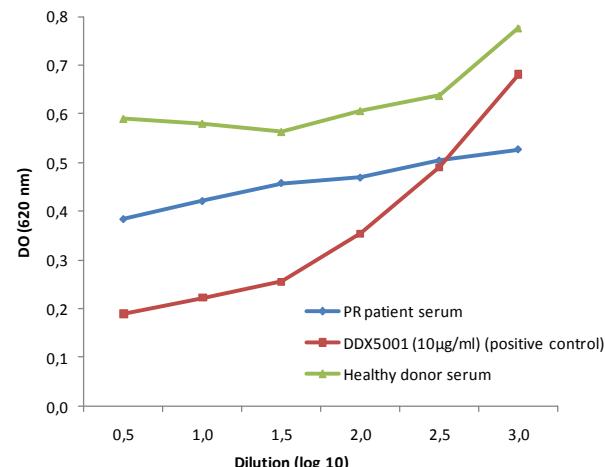




Anti-Remicade (ADA) detection by competitive ELISA in serum from Remicade-treated polyarthritis rheumatoid patient (PR)



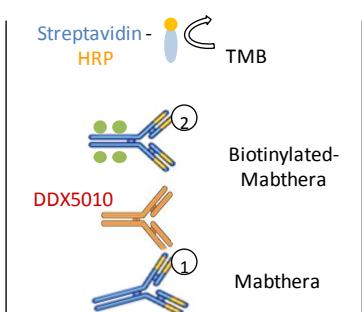
Detection of anti-Remicade (ADA) in human serum



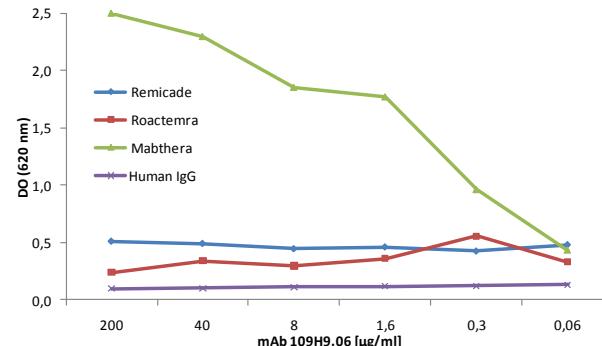
MABTHERA (DDX5010-DDX5011-DDX5012)

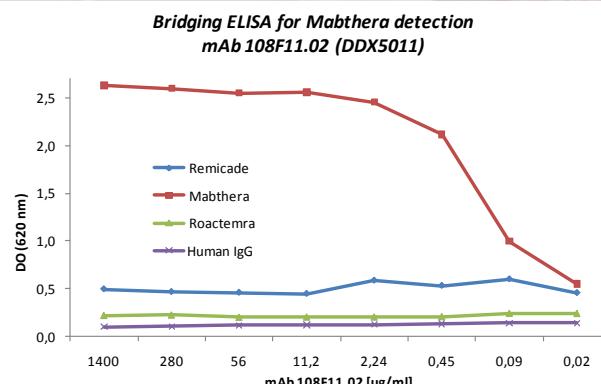
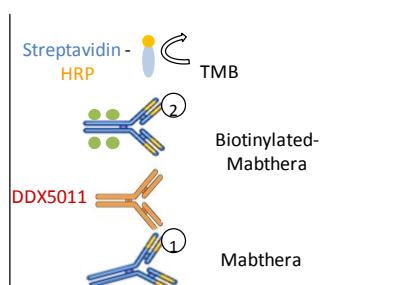
Mabthera® is a chimeric monoclonal antibody targeting the CD20 protein expressed on B cell surface. Mabthera® destroys B cells and is therefore used to treat diseases such as lymphomas, leukemias, transplant rejection, and autoimmune disorders. Mabthera® has also been shown to be effective in rheumatoid arthritis, in cases where anti-TNF- α therapy is not satisfactory. We have generated a panel of anti-Mabthera® monoclonal murine antibodies. These antibodies can be used for the determination of Mabthera® levels in biological fluids. In addition, competitive Elisa using these antibodies allows the dosage of anti-Mabthera® in patients sera.

DDX5010 and DDX5011 are highly specific for Mabthera

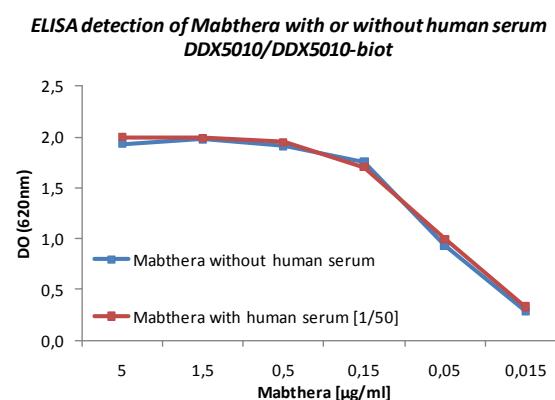
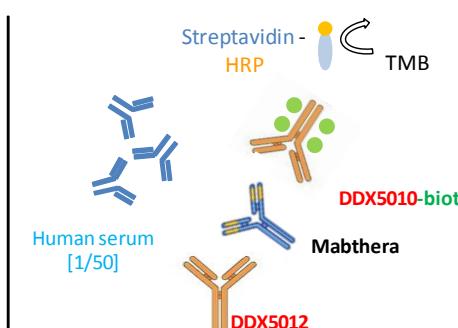


**Bridging ELISA for Mabthera detection
mAb 109H9.06 (DDX5010)**

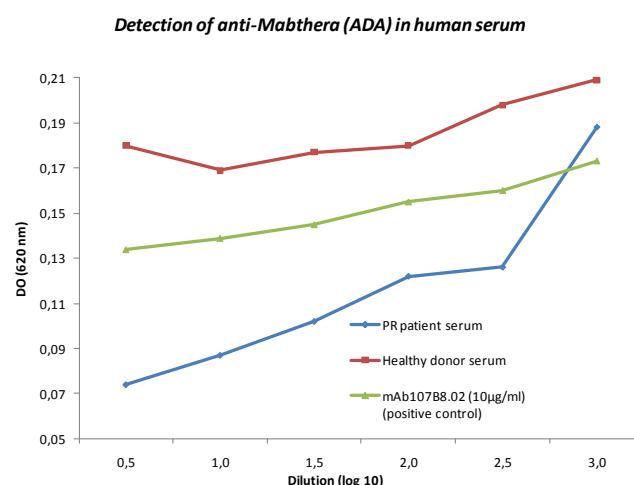
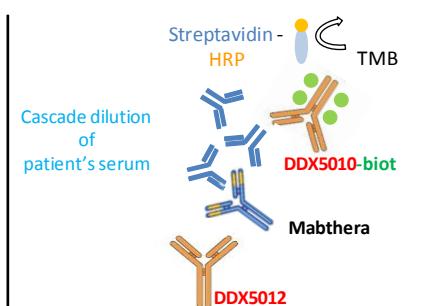




Mabthera detection by DDX5010 is not affected by human serum



Anti-Mabthera (ADA) detection by competitive ELISA in serum from Mabthera-treated polyarthritis rheumatoid patient (PR)



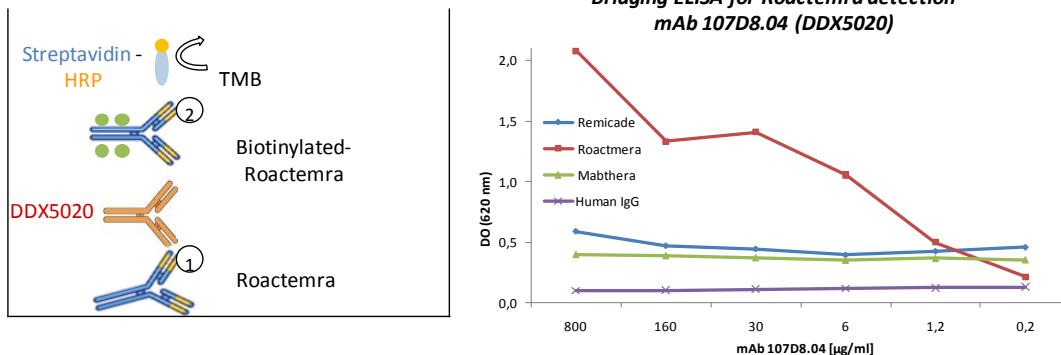
ROACTEMRA (DDX5020-DDX5021)

Roactemra® is a humanized antibody targeting the interleukine-6 receptor. This immunosuppressive drug is mainly used for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis and systemic juvenile idiopathic arthritis. We have generated a panel of anti-Roactemra murine

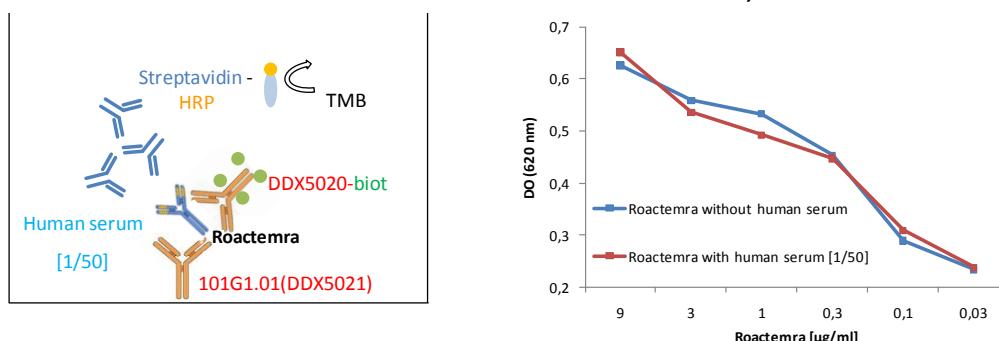


monoclonal antibodies intended for Roactemra and anti-Roactemra (ADA) detection in patient's sera.

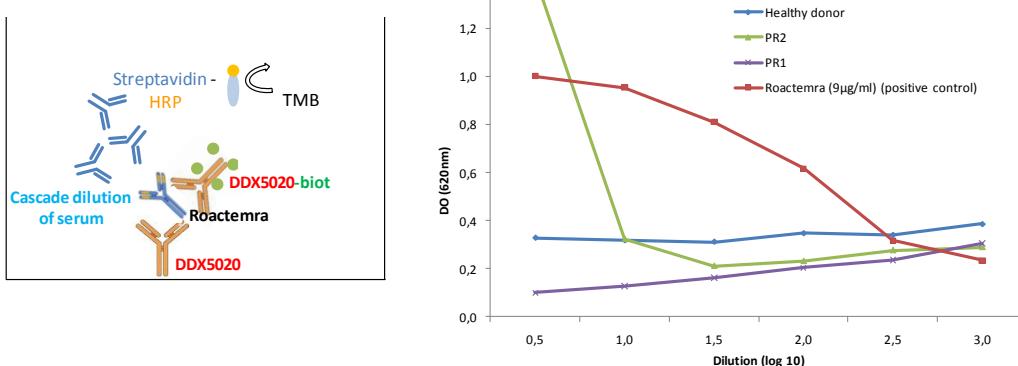
DDX5020 is highly specific for Roactemra



Roactemra detection by DDX5020/101G1.01 is not affected by human serum

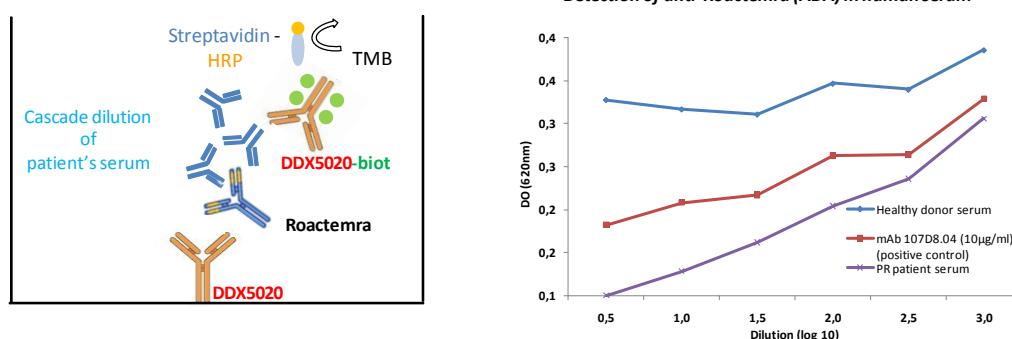


Roactemra detection by capture Elisa in serum from Roactemra-treated polyarthritis rheumatoid patients





Anti-Roactemra (ADA) detection by competitive ELISA in serum from Roactemra-treated polyarthritis rheumatoid patient (PR)



SUMMARY TABLE

| # catalog | Clone | Specificity | | | Detection | Capture | Bridging | Inhibition of remicade binding to TNF- α | Isotype |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|----------|----------|-----------|---------|----------|---|---------|
| | | ROACTEMRA | REMICADE | MABTHERA | | | | | |
| | 102C3.04 | - | + | - | + | - | - | - | ND |
| | 107A12.04 | - | + | - | +/- | - | - | - | ND |
| | 107C8.11 | - | + | - | +/- | - | - | - | ND |
| | 108D12.11 | - | + | - | + | - | - | - | ND |
| DDX5003 | 108E3.11 | - | + | - | +++ | + | - | - | IgG1 |
| | 109D6.07 | - | + | - | +/- | - | - | - | ND |
| | 109G3.24 | - | + | - | +++ | +++ | + | +/- | IgM |
| DDX5004 | 210D4.10 | - | + | - | ++ | +++ | - | - | IgG1 |
| | 210G4.02 | - | + | - | +/- | - | - | - | ND |
| DDX5001 | 108G4.03 | - | + | - | +++ | +++ | ++++ | ++++ | IgG1 |
| DDX5002 | 103A8.03 | - | + | - | +++ | +++ | ++++ | ++ | IgG1 |
| | 109D8.09 | - | + | - | ++ | +++ | ++ | ++ | IgG2a |
| | 102B9.03 | - | - | + | ++ | +++ | + | | |
| | 107E9.03 | - | - | + | ++++ | ++++ | +/- | | |
| | 107G12.06 | - | - | + | +/- | - | - | | |
| | 107H12.02 | - | - | + | ++ | +++ | - | | |
| | 108G9.10 | - | - | + | +++ | +++ | + | | |
| | 108H2.12 | - | - | + | +++ | ++ | - | | |
| | 108D1.23 | - | - | + | +++ | +++ | + | | |
| | 108H5.02 | - | - | + | ++ | +++ | - | | |
| | 109A2.02 | - | - | + | + | - | - | | |
| | 109B9.04 | - | - | + | + | - | - | | |
| | 110D7.09 | - | - | + | - | - | ++ | | |
| | 110B9.02 | - | - | + | +++ | +/- | +++ | | |
| | 110F8.09 | - | - | + | +/- | - | - | | |
| | 110F5.12 | - | - | + | ++++ | ++++ | +++ | | |
| DDX5010 | 109H9.06 | - | - | + | ++++ | +/- | ++++ | | |
| DDX5011 | 108F11.02 | - | - | + | +/- | - | +++ | | |
| DDX5012 | 107B8.02 | - | - | + | ++ | ++++ | - | | |
| | 105D9.05 | + | - | - | ++ | - | ++ | | |
| | 107E11.04 | + | - | - | - | +/- | - | | |
| | 109C12.06 | + | - | - | ++ | ++ | + | | |
| | 109B11.04 | + | - | - | - | +/- | - | | |
| | 110A3.09 | + | - | - | +++ | ++++ | + | | |
| | 110E11.15 | + | - | - | +++ | ++++ | ++ | | |
| | 110H10.08 | + | - | - | +/- | - | - | | |
| | 110E9.10 | + | - | - | - | +/- | - | | |
| DDX5021 | 101G1.01 | + | - | - | +++ | ++ | ++ | | |
| DDX5020 | 107D8.04 | + | - | - | +++ | +++ | +++ | | |