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**INTRODUCTION:** Using the prostate-specific large probasin (LPB) promoter, Dr. Matusik's laboratory has targeted an oncogene to the prostate and developed multiple new transgenic mouse lines that reproduce a full spectrum of human prostate disease including preneoplastic lesions which are similar to human prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (PIN), local invasive carcinoma, androgendependent tumor growth and androgen-independent neuroendocrine prostate cancer. Dr. Moses' laboratory have developed a new transgenic line that disrupts the growth inhibitory signal of the Transforming Growth Factor  $\beta$  (TGF $\beta$ ). These mice develop both low grade and high grade PIN. Dr. Coffey's laboratory have begun the characterization of a transgenic line where the over expression of a growth stimulatory signal, Transforming Growth Factor  $\alpha$ , (TGF $\alpha$ ) results in pre neoplastic lesions in the mouse prostate. Using these new transgenic mouse lines and by developing additional mouse models, the Center will assess these pathway's role to trigger prostate cancer development, tumor progression from latent to metastatic cancer, and emergence of hormone-independent prostate cancer following androgen deprivation therapy. This analysis requires the expertise of Dr. Shappell's Pathology Core that provides quality control and the evaluation of the progressive mouse pathology compared to his knowledge of human prostate cancer. These models will assist the Center in testing new drugs for the treatment of prostate cancer. The general hypothesis is that changes in the inhibitory signals of TGFB and the stimulatory signals of TGFa are fundamental during prostate carcinogenesis and progression to androgen-independent disease. The Center includes three projects and a core. **Project 1:** The role of the  $TGF\beta$  pathway in prostate cancer progression to an androgenindependent disease. Drs. Robert J. Matusik and Susan Kasper. Project 2: Tumorigenic effects of partial versus complete ablation of the TGF $\beta$  type II receptor in prostatic epithelial cells. Dr. Harold L. Moses. **Project 3:** Tumorigenic effect of  $TGF\alpha$  in mouse prostatic epithelial cells and therapeutic efficacy of combined blockade of EGF receptor and TGFa cleavage in mouse prostate cancer. Dr. Robert J. Coffey. Pathology Core: Dr. Scott Shappell has an extensive background in a variety of rat and mouse models for prostate cancer which he can relate to human prostate cancer.

The Vanderbilt Prostate Cancer Center's (VPCC) program presents an opportunity to establish a world-class research and training program at Vanderbilt University Medical Center that will increase our understanding on the basic processes involved in the development and progression of prostate cancer. The role of growth inhibitory and stimulatory pathways in prostate cancer is being evaluated in transgenic animals. These mice are now serving as models of human prostate cancer that will be useful for preclinical prevention and treatment studies. This knowledge will increase the options that are available to the medical community for effective therapy.

### **PROGRESS REPORT:**

### **Project 1:** The role of the TGF $\beta$ pathway in prostate cancer progression to an androgenindependent disease.

Significant correlative evidence has proposed a role for TGF $\beta$  ligands in the development of the prostate and progression of prostate cancer (CaP). In humans, increasing CaP grade has been correlated with increasing levels of TGF $\beta$ 1. As TGF $\beta$ 1 normally inhibits prostatic cell growth, increased expression of TGF $\beta$ 1 in CaP has presented a conundrum. It has been hypothesized that if the CaP cells are unable to respond to the inhibitory effects of TGF $\beta$ 1 yet are over producing this potent immunosuppressor, then active expression of TGF $\beta$ 1 could be a selective advantage. Further

androgen ablation therapy is human prostate cancer patients results in tumor regress but eventually the patients will fail therapy. As the human cancer progresses, a loss of the TGF $\beta$  type I and type II receptor occurs. These data suggest that the TGF $\beta$  pathway may be important both in the development of prostate cancer and is progression during the failure of therapy.

To study the role of the TGF $\beta$  pathway in prostate cancer, creating various mouse transgenic lines was proposed. The goal was to analyze the role of this pathway in the development and progression of prostate cancer to androgen independence. To do so, first we blocked a functional TGF $\beta$  pathway in the prostate. Transgenic mice were generated that express a metallothionein (MT) promoter driven truncated T $\beta$ RII dominant negative (DN) mutant (MT-DNIIR)<sup>1</sup>. The DNIIR protein will form a dimer with the TGF $\beta$  type I receptor to block the receptors response to the ligand--TGF $\beta$ . Examination of the histology of MT-DNIIR prostates revealed focal changes in prostatic morphology at approximately 12 weeks of age that are comparable to low grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (LGPIN) in humans. By 16.5 weeks of age regions of high grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (HGPIN) was present in all animals examined. At 33 weeks, only one mouse prostate showed a local invasion; however, these mice develop defects in the skeleton that prevents keeping them past this age. Further, the major changes occur in the mouse dorsolateral prostate, the region most closely akin to human peripheral zone, the region that develops prostate cancer.

In rodents it is established that androgen ablation will induce almost complete prostate regression which is preceded at four days post-castration by a 40-fold increase in TGF $\beta$ 1<sup>2</sup>. Also, the administration of TGF $\beta$ 1 *in vivo* will induce prostate regression <sup>3</sup>. These data suggest androgen ablation induces TGF $\beta$ 1 which results in prostate regression. Since the MT-DNIIR transgenic mice would block the TGF $\beta$  pathway, would the prostates in these mice regression after castration? We found that seven days post-castration does not induce regression of the prostate in MT-DNIIR mice but regression does occur after 35 days post-castration. Thus regression is delayed but not prevent. We are now investigating the possible mechanism that eventually results in prostatic regression. These results provide us with an opportunity to study the role that TGF $\beta$ 1 may play in the failure of prostate cancer to hormone therapy.

In parallel, we have developed transgenic mice that targets expression of the SV40 large T antigen (Tag) to the prostate using the prostate-specific large probasin promoter (LPB). The Tag protein binds and inactivates two tumor suppressor genes, p53 and Rb, two genes that can be inactivated in late stage CaP and recent reports have identified p53 loss is some HGPIN. The LPB-Tag mice develop HGPIN by 16 weeks and some develop limited invasive cancer after 20 weeks of age. These tumors are androgen dependent for growth and regression after androgen ablation therapy (castration)<sup>4</sup>. Between 2 to 6 months after castration, approximately 75% of the tumors will regrow. Accurate rates of growth, regression, and regrowth are being monitored by MRI. Pathology of the regrowing tumors is now be assessed.

Bigenic males from the MT-DNIIR x LPB-Tag cross are being studied in a time course of 12-23 weeks for gross, histological, and immunohistological characteristics. The preliminary data shows that the bigenic mice developed both HGPIN and invasive prostate cancer in 100% of the animal  $\geq$ 16 wks with both glandular and neuroendocrine differentiation. This is in sharp contract to the MT-DNIIR mice and the LPB-Tag mice which would only have HGPIN at this age. Further, metastatic Tag positive carcinomas, primarily with NE differentiation, were noted in para-aortic lymph nodes, bone, and viscera, including liver and lung of bigenic mice ( $\geq 50$  % of mice  $\geq 16$  wks). These data demonstrate the loss of the TGF $\beta$  pathway along with a loss of two tumor suppressor genes, p53 and Rb, is sufficient to development of prostate cancer. Since the TGF $\beta$  pathway involves activation of a number of genes and a number of separate pathways, these animals are be analyzed to determine the key components involved in tumor development.

Now, using the MT-DNIIR cross LPB-Tag, which develops adenocarcinoma, we will study the effect of castration these bigenic mice. Since LPB-Tag tumors regress and MT-DNIIR prostate show a dramatic decrease in the rate of regression after castration, we expect that the tumors in the bigenic mice will regress at a slower rate and that they may progress at a faster rate to become androgen independent.

# **Project 2:** Tumorigenic effects of partial versus complete ablation of the TGF $\beta$ type II receptor in prostatic epithelial cells.

Prostate glands have been harvested from mice beginning at 2 weeks of age at intervals through puberty for histology, immunohistochemistry and in situ hybridization. Before performing immunohistochemistry for detection of TBRII the different antibodies available were tested for specificity. Cell lines containing TBRII and lacking TBRII were used. Different fixatives such as 4% paraformaldehyde, acetone, methanol and 10% formalin were evaluated. Several TBRII antibodies, including rabbit polyclonal (Upstate Technology cat 06-227 and 6-318; Santa Cruz cat#sc-220), and goat polyclonal (cat# AF-241-NA) at concentrations of 0, 5, 10, 15 µg/ml. Positive staining was obtained in both TBRII positive and negative cells and tumor xenographs indicating that the specificity of the antibodies for immunohistochemistry was a significant problem. Further, antibodies suitable for immunohistochemistry have not been identified for either of the type I receptors, Tsk7L/ALK2 and ALK5/R4. Thus, in the absence of suitable antibodies, we will utilize in situ hybridization for TBRII as well the type I receptors, and these experiments are in progress. Hybridization of tissue sections has been accomplished and the emulsion coated slides are being exposed. In addition, because of progress in the tissue core with real time PCR, we will use this method to obtain better quantitation of mRNA expression for the three different receptors during prostate gland development to compare with the localization of expression obtained by in situ hybridization.

A major improvement to target expression to the transgenic mouse prostate has been accomplished by redesigning LPB promoter into a new construct that is now termed ARR<sub>2</sub>PB<sup>5</sup>. This new prostate-specific ARR<sub>2</sub>PB promoter has replaced LPB for all future experiments. Three lines of ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-DNIIR mice have been generated by the VICC Transgenic Mouse/ES Cell Shared Resource by microinjecting a previously assembled ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-DNIIR construct. Offspring of founder mice from the three ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-DNIIR lines (lines A, B, and C) have been shown to have the appropriate genotype. Prostates have been harvested from the three lines of LBP-DNIIR animals, and expression of the TGF $\beta$  dominant-negative TypeII receptor (DNIIR) is currently being determined by RT-PCR and characterization of the phenotype is under way.

In the grant application, we described the generation of mice having 3 LoxP sites flanking exon 2 of the type II TGF $\beta$  receptor gene (*Tgfbr2*) and a *NeoR* cassette. Mice homozygous for this allele were found to die before birth. We described in the original application the strategy for

selectively excising the *NeoR* cassette by pronuclear microinjection of a supercoiled *Cre* expression plasmid into  $Tgfbr2^{l.ox+Neo}$  one cell embryos. This has been accomplished, and we now have  $Tgfbr2^{floxL2/floxL2}$  mice. The homozygous mice are viable and fertile and have been crossed with three different lines of transgenic mice expressing Cre recombinase under control of three different promoters (MMTV-Cre, Ck-19-Cre, and Alb-Cre). Recombination of the Tgfbr2 locus was obtained in the appropriate tissues in each circumstance demonstrating that the proposed experiments are feasible.

ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-Cre mice have been created and characterized in collaboration with Dr. Pradip Roy-Burman <sup>6</sup>. We are presently crossbreeding the ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-Cre-GH mice with the  $Tgfbr2^{floxE2/floxE2}$  to generated mice that are homozygous for the floxed Tgfbr2 locus and express the ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-Cre. Mice with this genotype should exhibit knock out of Tgfbr2 in prostatic epithelium.

**Project 3:** Tumorigenic effect of  $TGF\alpha$  in mouse prostatic epithelial cells and the therapeutic efficacy of combined blockade of EGF receptor and  $TGF\alpha$  cleavage in mouse prostate cancer.

TGF $\alpha$  is overproduced in human prostate cancer<sup>7</sup>. TGF $\alpha$  is one of 6 mammalian ligands that bind the Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor (EGFR) that include EGF, TGF $\alpha$ , heparinbinding EGF-like growth factor, amphiregulin, betacellulin, and epiregulin. They are produced in pro-forms that are inserted into the plasma membrane and cleaved by specific proteases to release the mature, soluble, fully active growth factor. Expression of these ligands has not been studied systematically in normal and malignant prostate.

Our hypothesis is that normal epithelial cell growth is regulated by a balance of stimulatory (e.g., TGF $\alpha$ ) and inhibitory (e.g., TGF $\beta$ ) factors and that cancer results, at least in part, when there is an excess of the stimulatory arm and/or a defect in the inhibitory arm. This model was formulated using skin cells in culture and validated it by establishing mouse models of breast cancer <sup>8</sup>. Previous studies have shown that over-expression of TGF $\alpha$  resulted in hyperplasia and displasia in the coagulation gland (anterior prostate) of the mouse <sup>9</sup>. In our hands, a single, 16-week-old transgenic mouse in which TGF $\alpha$  was expressed under the metallothionien promoter (MT-TGF $\alpha$ ) was found to have prostatic intraepithilial neoplasia (PIN) lesions. We have since examined the prostates of 5 additional MT-TGF $\alpha$  mice at 15 weeks of age and confirmed that these mice develop PIN lesions.

To investigate whether simultaneous manipulation of both the stimulatory and inhibitory axes will enhance the development of precancerous lesions, the MT-TGF $\alpha$  and MT-DNIIR mice were crossbred. Transgenic mice with a metallothionein-driven dominant negative TGF $\beta$  type II receptor have also been shown to develop PIN. This was confirmed, as control animals with one or the other transgene developed PIN lesions. The bigenic MT-TGF $\alpha$  cross MT-DNIIR animals at 15 weeks of age were found to have PIN lesions of a higher grade than either the MT-TGF $\alpha$  or MT-DNIIR mice. Age-matched non-transgenic mice did not develop prostatic lesions.

Since the metallothionein promoter expresses throughout the animal, including both the epithelium and stroma of the prostate, we are also generating transgenic lines expressing TGF $\alpha$  under the ARR<sub>2</sub>PB promoter, which expresses exclusively in the epithelium of the mouse prostate<sup>5</sup>.

Comparing these lines with the MT-TGF $\alpha$  line will allow us to investigate involvement of EGFR signaling in epithelial-stromal interactions.

The mouse models we have generated support our hypothesis that  $TGF\alpha$  and EGFR signaling regulate growth of prostatic epithelium and that hyper-stimulus of this growth-stimulatory axis can result in hyperplasia. The bigenic animal adds credence to a model in which the stimulatory axis including TGF $\alpha$  acts in balance with a growth inhibitory axis including TGF $\beta$  signaling and that alteration in both these axes can result in a greater degree of hyperplasia. Evaluation of these transgenic animals is in progress. We believe this models will prove useful tools in understanding the actions of TGF $\alpha$  and the EGF receptor in prostate cancer.

### **KEY RESEARCH ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

**Project 1:** The role of the TGF $\beta$  pathway in prostate cancer progression to an androgenindependent disease.

Task I: Characterization of MT-DNIIR-27 and MT-DNIIR-4 mice.

Dr. Tania Thomas has completed this task, she has left the University, and is preparing a manuscript to describe the results. An abstract has been presented at the Endocrine Meeting in 1999 and the AUA meeting in 2000 (see Abstracts in Appendices)

- With aging, the MT-DNIIR-27 and MT-DNIIR-4 transgenic mice show the most significant changes in the dorsolateral prostate which include the development of high grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (HGPIN).
- In one MT-DNIIR-4 transgenic mouse, invasive prostate cancer developed at 33 weeks of age. However, due to skeletonal defects that these mice also develop after 30 weeks of age, we are not able to maintain the animals past this time. Therefore, all long term studies are now being carried out with the MT-DNIIR-27 transgenic line.

### Task II: MT-DNIIR x LPB-Tag transgenic lines.

Mr. William Tu (MD/Ph.D. student) has the prime responsibility is to characterize the cross between the MT-DNIIR-27 with the LPB-Tag transgenic lines. Preliminary results are being presented at the AUA meeting in June 2001 (see Abstract in Appendices).

• In 16 week old MT-DNIIR-27 mice and in 16 week old LPB-Tag mice HGPIN lesions are seen in the dorsolateral prostate. When the two lines are crossed, 16 week old mice develop prostate cancer.

Task III: Progression after androgen ablation in the LPB-Tag mice.

This task was started.

• After castration and regression of the prostate tumor, we see regrowth of the LPB-Tag tumors. This study is ongoing and the data is being analyzed.

Task IV: Progression after androgen ablation in the MT-DNIIR x LPB-Tag Mice.

• To be completed between 24-30 months of the grant.

**Project 2:** Tumorigenic effects of partial versus complete ablation of the TGF $\beta$  type II receptor in prostatic epithelial cells.

Task I: Characterize TBRI and TBRII expression during prostate development in the mouse.

- Prostate glands have been harvested from mice beginning at 2 weeks of age at intervals through puberty for histology, immunohistochemistry and *in situ* hybridization.
- Characterization of available antibodies has been performed revealing the lack of a suitable antibody for T $\beta$ RII and T $\beta$ RII
- Tissue sections have been cut and *in situ* hybridization for T $\beta$ RII as well the T $\beta$ RI is in progress.

**Task II:** Disrupt the TGF- $\beta$  pathway specifically in epithelium with the ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-DNIIR transgene. The LPB promoter has now been replaced by an improved version of a prostate-specific promoter termed ARR<sub>2</sub>PB <sup>5</sup>.

- Three lines of ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-DNIIR transgenic mice have been established
- Characterization of these lines has begun.

**Task III:** Create and cross breed ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-Cre mice with  $Tgrbr2^{floxE2}$  mice for complete abrogation of TGF- $\beta$  signaling.

- Mice carrying the floxed T $\beta$ RII receptor have been made (*Tgfbr2*<sup>floxE2/floxE2</sup> mice).
- The homozygous  $Tgfbr2^{floxE2/floxE2}$  mice are viable and fertile.
- ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-Cre mice have been created and characterized in collaboration with Dr. Pradip Roy-Burman <sup>6</sup>.
- Presently crossbreeding the ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-Cre mice with the  $Tgfbr2^{floxE2/floxE2}$  is starting. Mice with this genotype should exhibit knock out of Tgfbr2 in prostatic epithelium.

**Project 3:** Tumorigenic effect of  $TGF\alpha$  in mouse prostatic epithelial cells and therapeutic efficacy of combined blockade of EGF receptor and  $TGF\alpha$  cleavage in mouse prostate cancer.

**Task I:** To develop and characterize  $ARR_2PB$ -TGF $\alpha$  transgenic mice and compare them to MT-TGF $\alpha$  mice.

- Our latest advance in constructs has replaced the LPB promoter with the ARR<sub>2</sub>PB promoter <sup>5</sup>. Using this construct, four independent transgenic mouse lines have been generated carrying a ARR<sub>2</sub>PB driven TGF  $\alpha$  gene. These lines are being breed to obtain sufficient males for aging studies.
- Twenty male MT-TGF $\alpha$  mice have been generated for comparison with the ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-TGF $\alpha$  mice and as a control for the mice in task II. Five of the MT-TGF $\alpha$  mice have been sacrificed at 15 and 22 weeks of age and were found to have dysplastic lesions in all lobes of the prostate.

**Task II:** To cross MT-TGF $\alpha$  mice to MT-DNIIR mice as well as to cross ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-TGF $\alpha$  mice to ARR<sub>2</sub>PB-DNIIR and/or LPB-CRE/*Tgfbr*<sup>2floxE2</sup>/floxE2 mice.

Twenty male bigenic MT-TGFα crossed with MT-DNIIR mice have been generated, along with equal numbers of non-transgenic mice and animals with either the MT-TGFα or MT-DNIIR transgenes alone. Five of each group of mice were sacrificed at 15 weeks of age. The non-transgenic animals were found to be free of prostatic lesions while transgenic animals showed PIN like lesions. The bigenic animals consistently showed lesions of a higher grade than those of animals with only one of the transgenes. The most significant lesions were found in the anterior and dorsal lobes.

**Task III:** To treat mouse prostate tumors with EGFR tyrosine kinase inhibitor and/or selective TACE inhibitor.

• To be completed between 24-36 months of the grant.

# **CORE:** Establishment of Pathology Core Laboratory and Provision of Basic Histopathology Support:

- Acquisition of Olympus SZX9 stereo dissecting microscope, Ventana Renaissance Tissue Processor, Leica EG1160 embedding station, Surgipath Medical Industries Slide Labeler, and Shandon Finesse Microtome. Mouse tissues procured in the laboratories of Drs. Matusik, Coffey, Moses, and during interventional research protocols conducted in Dr. Shappell's laboratory are processed in the Core Lab. 1 H & E and unstained charged slides for subsequent immunohistochemistry and/or in situ hybridization (if indicated) obtained on all blocks.
- Acquisition of 5-headed Olympus BX50 microscope with upgraded objectives and dark field capacity, Nikon D-1 digital camera, 733 MHz Compaq Pentium III computer with CD burner, Gateway e-5200 PC with dual 450 MHz processor, and Gateway Solo 9300 Laptop with CD burner (primarily for digital camera support). All slides are reviewed by Dr. Richard Roberts and/or Dr. Shappell, commonly with responsible investigator from individual lab. Descriptions are recorded on spreadsheet. Images documenting pertinent pathology are obtained with the D-1 camera. Such images are stored in the Core Lab as well as provided

to individual project investigators on CDs. For final model characterization/publication, slides are reviewed blindly.

• Acquistion of Shandon Cryostat. Provision of frozen sections for CD31 immunostaining, MALDI mass spectrometry.

### Adjuctive diagnostic techniques:

- Establishment of immunohistochemical protocols and application to various models, supplementing immunostaining assasys performed by individual labs, including:
  - General/model characterization: Pan cyto-keratin, High molecular weight cytokeratin, CK5, PCNA, Apo-tag, AR, Chromogranin, CD31 (including on frozen sections)
  - Antibody assays for Shappell Mouse-based research: 8-lipoxygenase, platelet 12-lipoxygenase, leukocyte 12-lipoxygenase, cyclooxygenase-2
  - Antibodies currently being investigated/validated: Laminin, N-cadherin, E-cadherin, Beta-catenin.
- Performance of ultra-structural studies on DLP/VP on LPB-Tag 12T-7f x MT-DNIIR mouse.
- Establishment of quantitative Real Time RT-PCR assays on Roche LightCycler system, utilizing cDNA standard curves with cloned templates and cDNA binding fluorescent probe SYBR green or oligo specific hybridization probes. 12 specific gene products so far, including mouse β-actin, platelet 12-LOX, leukocyte 12-LOX, TGFβRI, TGFβRII.

**REPORTABLE OUTCOMES:** The reportable outcomes of the Vanderbilt Prostate Cancer Center are divided into three sections: 1) Institutional Commitments and VPCC; 2) Research Projects, and 3) Pathology Core.

1) Institutional Commitments and VPCC: Due to the DOD funding of the Center, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center, the Section of Surgical Sciences, and the Department of Urologic Surgery have made major institutional commitments that have allowed the scope of the Center to expand beyond the initial research projects.

<u>Administration</u>: Dr. Robert Matusik serves as the Director of the VPCC. The Center holds research meetings on the first Wednesday of the month. During this time, research is progress from each project is discussed. Future direction and research experiments are planned. The first Annual Retreat, which includes the Steering Committee, will be held in early September 2001. By this time, all the new staff will be in place so they can participate in this Retreat.

### Budget:

- The Vanderbilt University Medical Center has provided the salary for Ms. Debbie Thompson to serve as an administrative assistant to the VPCC.
- The Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center has provided \$200,000/ year as support for operating expenses of the Center, for equipment, secretary (Ms. Lisa Howell) and pilot projects to expand the research endeavour.
- The Department of Urologic Surgery has provided the start-up funds to recruit Dr. Simon Hayward as a new faculty member.
- The Department of Urologic Surgery is also funding a Urologic Oncology Fellowship Training program within the Center. Dr. Naoya Masumori (MD/PhD) was the first Urologist funded by this program. He returned to his clinical position at Sapporo, Japan in February 2001. Dr. Jen (MD/PHD) is a Urologist who will begin this program in May 2001.

### Space for VPCC:

### Laboratory Space

• The Vanderbilt University Medical Center and the Section of Surgical Sciences has provide new laboratory space for Dr. Simon Hayward and Dr. Susan Kasper. Additional laboratory space has been provided for Dr. Matusik. The laboratory space has increased by 2168 sq ft. from the previous1533 sq. ft. to new total of 3701 sq. ft. (see floor plan, Appendices)

### Office Space for Faculty

• New offices are proposed for the VPCC (for a total of 596 sq. ft.). This space will undergo renovation and should be ready by July 2001. The Section of Surgical Sciences and the Department of Urologic Surgery are covering the cost for this renovation. Three offices will be for Dr. Matusik, Director, Dr. Kasper, and Dr. Hayward. A fourth office will be for Ms. Lisa Howell, secretary for the Center. The offices are near the entranceway to the research laboratories of the VPCC (see floor plan, Appendices).

### Office Space for Post-doctoral fellows

• Two offices (AA-1326 and AA-1324 for a total of 136 sq. ft.) will be provided for postdoctoral fellows. These offices will have to be shared but they will provide space for the post-doctoral fellows to work on data and write manuscripts (see floor plan, Appendices).

### Conference Room

• A conference room (A-1307) shared with the Department of Urologic Surgery is provide for laboratory meetings and lectures (see floor plan, Appendices).

<u>New faculty, post-doctoral fellows, students:</u> In the review of our application, the committee recommended that more junior faculty and post-doctoral fellows should be involved in the research. We are making major efforts to add more junior investigators to the VPCC. The following positions have now been filled.

### *New Faculty*

- Dr. Simon Hayward has been recruited for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in the Department of Urologic Surgery (see Curriculum Vitae, Appendices). His future graduate students would complete their Ph.D. degree program under the guidelines of the Department of Cancer Biology, his secondary appointment. Dr. Hayward's research program will focus on prostate Tumor/Host interactions. His laboratory space (AA-1309) is assigned within the VPCC space (see Floor plan, Appendices).
- Dr. Susan Kasper has been promoted from Research Assistant Professor to a tenure-track Assistant Professor in the Department of Urologic Surgery (see Curriculum Vitae, Appendices). Her future graduate students would complete their Ph.D. degree program under the guidelines of the Department of Cancer Biology, her secondary appointment. Dr. Kasper's research will develop a new program on prostate cancer progression. Her laboratory space (AA-1315) is assigned within the VPCC space (see Floor plan, Appendices).
- Dr. Richard Roberts, M.D., Ph.D., Research Instructor and Molecular Pathology Fellow. Involved in the review of mouse pathology slides, image acquisition and storage, establishing Pathology Core immunohistochemistry, EM studies, and actively involved in translational research including tumor angiogenesis. His involvement with the characterization of the animal models of prostate cancer will help translate his research into new treatments for prostate cancer.

### Post-doctoral Fellows

- Dr. Shane Cutler was recruited by Dr. Coffey's laboratory (see Curriculum Vitae, Appendices). He is currently working on Project 3 to study the role of TGFα in prostate tumor development.
- Dr. Ren Jie Jin will arrive by June 1, 2001. He is a trained Urologist from China that has also completed a Ph.D. from Seoul National University, Korea (see Curriculum Vitae, Appendices). Dr. Jin will work with Dr. Matusik's laboratory on Project 1 and on the LPB-Tag transgenic animal models. He will be a new recruit to the Urology Fellowship Training Program
- Mr. Janni Mirosevich will arrive September 1, 2001. He will complete all requirements for his Ph.D. by July 2001 (see Curriculum Vitae, Appendices). Mr. Mirosevich will study gene expression on Project 1.

Ms. Tiina Pitkänen-Arsiola will arrive in July, 2001, soon after she competes her requirements for her Ph.D. (see Curriculum Vitae, Appendices). Ms. Pitkänen-Arsiola will work with Dr. Kasper's laboratory to study progression in prostate cancer from an androgen-dependent to an androgen-independent disease.

### Students

Mr. William Tu is a MD/Ph.D. student at Vanderbilt working for Dr. Matuisk. (see Curriculum Vitae, Appendices). He is studying how combining the disruption of the TGF $\beta$  pathway and the p53/RB pathway results in developing adenocarcinoma in Project 1.

**2)** Research Projects: Two manuscripts are now in preparation on the role that the TGF $\beta$  pathway plays in developing prostate cancer. A number of abstracts have been presented. Also, as a result of this work, symposium lecture at meetings have resulted.

### Published Abstracts

- Thomas, TZ, Shappell S, Sohn PC, Kasper S, Matusik RJ, Moses HL, Serra RA. Expression of a truncated, kinase deficient TGFβ Type II receptor in the mouse prostate. 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of The Endocrine Society, 1999.
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- Robert J. Matusik, William H. Tu, Tania Z. Thomas, Naoya Masumori, Susan Kasper, Richard L. Roberts, Rosa Serra, Scott B. Shappell, and Harold L. Moses, TGF-β and Prostate Cancer. 83<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of The Endocrine Society, June 20-23, 2001. Denver, Colorado.

### Symposium Lectures

- Dr. Matusik have been invited to present this data in the at the 83<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of The Endocrine Society in June 2001.
- Dr. Matusik has been invited to present his work at the NIH sponsored MMHCC Workshop on *Transgenic Models for Prostate Cancer* in October 2001.
- Dr. Moses has been invited to present his work at the NIH sponsored MMHCC Workshop

on Transgenic Models for Prostate Cancer in October 2001.

• Dr. Shappel will Chair the Pathology Workshop held in concert with NIH sponsored MMCCC Workshop on *Transgenic Models for Prostate Cancer* in October 2001.

### Personnel:

The personnel of the VPCC include those supported by the DOD award, institutional commitments, and individuals that may be on trainee awards. Listed below are only individuals supported directly by the DOD award over the fiscal year covered by this report.

PROJECT 1: Robert J. Matusik, Ph.D. Susan Kasper, Ph.D. Tania Dickson, Ph.D.	PI and Director Co-Investigator Research Fellow
PROJECT 2: Harold L. Moses, MD Agnes Gorska Mary Aakre Anna Chytil	PI Research Tech Senior Research Tech Senior Research Tech Senior
PROJECT 3: Robert J. Coffey, MD Lu Min, Ph.D. Gelina Bogatcheva	PI Research Fellow Research Assistant III
PATHOLOGY CORE: Scott B. Shappell, MD, Ph.D. Richard L. Roberts, Ph.D.	PI Research Instructor and Fellow

**3) Pathology Core:** Dr. Scott Shappell is director of the Pathology Core. The key accomplishment have been listed above. Because of Dr. Shappell expertise with human prostate cancer and mouse prostate cancer models, he has been chosen by the NCI funded Mouse Models of Human Cancer Consortium (MMHCC) to Chair a workshop on transgenic mouse prostate cancer models. This Workshop will establish the NCI standards for the characterization/validation of all mouse models for prostate cancer.

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### **CONCLUSIONS:**

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Substantial progress has been made on the three individual grants and in the establishment of the Pathology Core. In addition, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Section of Surgical Sciences, Department of Urologic Surgery, and the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center have meet their commitments to the DOD Center grant which are beyond the initial research projects allowing use to expand the program as a new Vanderbilt Prostate Cancer Center.

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EXPRESSION OF A TRUNCATED, KINASE DEFICIENT  $TGF\beta$  TYPE II RECEPTOR IN THE MOUSE PROSTATE.

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Early reports have noted increased expression of TGF\$1 and loss of TGF\$ receptor type I (T $\beta RI$ ) and II (T $\beta RII$ ) expression with increasing cancer grade in human prostate cancer (PCa). Although the TGFB superfamily has been implicated in the progression of human PCa, it's role in the development and progression of this disease has not been addressed in transgenic animal models. We have generated transgenic mice that express a metallothionein (MT) promoter driven truncated TBRII which results in a dominant negative (DN) mutant that can form a heteromeric complex with the endogenous TBRI. The prostates from two different founder lines (MT-DNIIR-4 and MT-DNIIR-27) were examined for transgene expression by in situ hybridization and for histopathological changes associated with loss of TGFB function. In situ hybridization, using a transgene specific cDNA probe, showed transgene expression in the ventral (VP), dorsolateral (DLP) and anterior prostate (AP). The expression of the transgene in MT-DNIIR-27 mice was low at 7 weeks but increased by 16.5 weeks of age. Transgene expression was similar in MT-DNIIR-4 mice, however the levels were higher. Histological examination of MT-DNIIR-27 prostates revealed focal changes in prostatic morphology at approximately 12 weeks of age that are comparable to low grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (LGPIN) in humans. By 16.5 weeks of age regions of high grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (HGPIN) are present in all animals examined. MT-DNIIR-4 mice at 33 weeks show regions of HGPIN with local invasion, increased thickening of the basement membrane/fibromuscular stroma, as well as regions of cribriform and solid architecture accompanied with comedo necrosis which is reminiscent of intraductal carcinoma (IDCa). IDCa is believed to represent the intraductal spread of established carcinoma, and has been correlated with higher Gleason grade, higher tumor volume and poor prognosis. Therefore the MT-DNIIR mice show pre-neoplastic changes mimicking those observed in human prostate disease. Although the origin of human premalignant lesions remains unknown, this data suggests that disruption of the TGFB pathway may be the initiating event(s) in mouse and human prostatic neoplasia

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# Program & Abstracts

#### 81st Annual Meeting

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DISRUPTION OF THE TGF<sup>β</sup> PATHWAY IN TRANSGENIC MICE PREVENTS CASTRATION-INDUCED PROSTATIC REGRESSION. Tania Z. Thomas, Scott Shappell, Susan Kasper, Rosa A. Serra, Harold L. Moses, Robert J. Matusik. Cincinatti, OH; Nashville, TN. (Presented by Tania Z. Thomas)

INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVES: Early reports have noted increased expression of TGF $\beta$ 1 and loss of TGF $\beta$  receptor type I and type II (T $\beta$ RII) expression with increasing prostate cancer (PCa) grade. We have generated transgenic mice (MT-DNIIR) that express a metallothionein promoter driven truncated T $\beta$ RII which results in a dominant negative mutant that blocks the TGFB pathway in the prostate. Two founder lines revealed focal regions of low grade PIN, which progress to high grade PIN. Aged mice showed significant histological changes including the development of cribriform and invasive cancer (unpublished data). The MT-DNIIR mice show changes mimicking those observed in hPCa. Since TGF $\beta$  is negatively regulated by androgens and has been implicated as a mediator of castration-induced cell death in the prostate, we examined the MT-DNIIR mice for the effects of androgen withdrawal on the ability of the prostate to regress.

METHODS: MT-DNIIR mice aged 50 weeks were placed on zinc sulfate in the water prior to castration. Prostates were collected, weighed and examined histologically.

RESULTS: In non-transgenic castrated mice the anterior prostate (AP), dorsolateral prostate (DLP) and ventral prostate (VP) regressed to 41%, 68% and 52% of sham operated controls (100%) respectively by 35 days. The histology associated with these tissues was consistent with that expected after androgen withdrawal. In contrast, the DLP of the MT-DNIIR mice did not demonstrate the involution observed in the control animals. The DLP failed to regress prior to day 14, and by 35 days post castration the DLP had regressed to 81% of sham operated controls (100%). The DLP showed glands containing normal tall, columnar epithelium beside other glands that were clearly atrophic, suggesting that the level of transgene expression is variable throughout the tissue.

CONCLUSIONS: Although the origin of androgen independent PCa in humans remains unknown, this data suggests that disruption of the TGFB pathway may be a contibuting event to the development of androgen independant disease through the prevention of prostatic regression after androgen ablation.

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## ROLE OF TGF-β PATHWAY IN PROSTATE CARCINOGENESIS

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Introduction and Objectives: Transgenic mice provide a mammalian in vivo system to elucidate the mechanism of prostate carcinogenesis and to serve as models for testing potential prostate cancer drug therapies. In human prostate cancers, higher tumor grade has been associated with loss of functional Transforming Growth Factor- $\beta$ (TGF- $\beta$ ) receptor type II. To identify the role of the TGF- $\beta$  pathway, the bigenic offspring from a cross of two different transgenic animal lines that develop prostatic lesions were studied.

**Methods:** One transgenic mouse line, 12T-7f, targets expression of the SV40 large T antigen (Tag) to the prostate using the long probasin promoter. The large T antigen has been shown to bind and inactivate two tumor suppressor genes, p53 and Rb. The second transgenic mouse line, MTR-27H, uses the metallothionein promoter to express a truncated type II receptor which results in a dominant negative mutant (DNIIR) that blocks the TGF- $\beta$  pathway in the prostate. Both lines develop prostatic lesions comparable to human high grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (HGPIN), with more pronounced epithelial proliferation and atypia in 12T-7f. Twelve male offspring aged 12-23 weeks of the bigenic transgenic mouse line (12T-7f X MTR-27H) were studied by gross, histological, and immunohistological examination (Cytokeratin, AR, Tag, Chromogranin). Tissue was collected from the prostate, seminal vesicle, vas deferens, testis, bladder, bulbourethral gland, para-aortic lymph nodes, neck lymph nodes, lumbar spine, liver, lung, kidney, spleen, brain, adrenal, parotid gland, and submandibular gland.

**Results:** Although the age-matched transgenic mice developed only HGPIN at comparable time points, the bigenic mice developed both HGPIN and invasive prostate cancer (100 % in mice  $\geq$  16 wks) with both glandular and neuroendocrine (NE) differentiation. Metastatic Tag positive carcinoma, primarily with NE differentiation, was noted in para-aortic lymph nodes, bone, and viscera, including liver and lung ( $\geq$  50 % of mice  $\geq$ 16 wks).

**Conclusions:** In contrast to the 12T-7f and DNRII mice that develop only HGPIN at comparable time points, the bigenic offspring develop invasive carcinoma in the prostate with metastases. The TGF- $\beta$  pathway and p53/RB pathways are important in prostate carcinogenesis. This study demonstrates that cross breeding transgenic mouse lines can generate new phenotypes representing improved models of human prostate cancer. These models will be helpful for the development of drug therapy in the treatment of human prostate cancer.

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**TGF-**β **AND PROSTATE CANCER.** <u>Robert J. Matusik</u>, William H. Tu, Tania Z. Thomas, Naoya Masumori, Susan Kasper, Richard L. Roberts, Rosa Serra, Scott B. Shappell, and Harold L. Moses, Department of Urologic Surgery, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, TN 37232-2765.

Significant correlative evidence has proposed a role for TGFB ligands in the development of the prostate and progression of prostate cancer (CaP). In humans, increasing CaP grade has been correlated with increasing levels of TGF\$1. As TGF\$1 normally inhibits prostatic cell growth, increased expression of TGFB1 in CaP has presented a conundrum. It has been hypothesized that if the CaP cells are unable to respond to the inhibitory effects of TGFB1 yet are over producing this potent immunosuppressor, then active expression of TGFB1 could be a selective advantage. To block the TGF $\beta$  in the prostate, transgenic mice were generated that express a metallothionein (MT) promoter driven truncated TBRII dominant negative (DN) mutant (MT-DNIIR). Examination of the histology of MT-DNIIR prostates revealed focal changes in prostatic morphology at approximately 12 weeks of age that are comparable to low grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (LGPIN) in humans. By 16.5 weeks of age regions of high grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia (HGPIN) was present in all animals examined. At 33 weeks, only one mouse prostate showed a local invasion; however, these mice develop defects in the skeleton that prevents keeping them past this age. In parallel, we have developed transgenic mice that target expression of the SV40 large T antigen (Tag) to the prostate using the prostate-specific large probasin promoter (LPB). The Tag protein binds and inactivates two tumor suppressor genes, p53 and Rb, two genes that can be inactivated in late stage CaP and recent reports have identified p53 loss is some HGPIN. The LPB-Tag mice develop HGPIN by 16 weeks and some develop limited invasive cancer after 20 weeks of age. Bigenic males from the MT-DNIIR x LPB-Tag cross were studied in a time course of 12-23 weeks for gross, histological, and immunohistological characteristics. The bigenic mice developed both HGPIN and invasive prostate cancer in 100% of the animal  $\geq$  16 wks with both glandular and neuroendocrine differentiation. Metastatic Tag positive carcinomas, primarily with NE differentiation, were noted in para-aortic lymph nodes, bone, and viscera, including liver and lung ( $\geq$  50 % of mice  $\geq$  16 wks). Using transgenic mouse models, these studies demonstrate that the loss of the TGF-Band p53/RB pathways are important steps in HGPIN progression to prostatic adenocarcinoma (Supported by DOD Prostate Cancer Center PC992022, R01-CA76142, and the Frances Williams Preston Laboratories of the T.J. Martell Foundation).

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- Dr. Ren Jie Jin, with Dr. Matusik's Laboratory.
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