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## Combined therapeutic efficacy of <sup>188</sup>Re-liposome and capecitabine in an experimental colorectal cancer liver metastases model by intrasplenic injection of the C26-*luc* murine colon cancer cell line

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 $1^{88}$ Re displays abundant intermediate energy  $\beta$  emission, and possesses an appropriate physical half-life of 16.9 hours. Liposomes are good drug delivery system, which allow the encapsulation of drugs into vesicles for their delivery. Capecitabine is an orally-administered chemotherapeutic agent used in the treatment of numerous cancers such as breast cancer and colorectal cancers. Capecitabine (Xeloda<sup>\*</sup>) is a prodrug, that is enzymatically converted to 5-fluorouracil. It was investigated the efficacy of the radiotherapeutics of <sup>188</sup>Re-liposome combined with capecitabine in a C26-*luc* metastatic colorectal liver tumors mice model. Liver metastases were established by intrasplenic injection of C26-*luc* murine colon cancer cells. <sup>188</sup>Re-liposome was given at day 1. In the combination therapy group, 359 mg/kg capecitabine was administered every day for five days, and the tumor growth and survival rates of the treated mice were examined. Bioluminescence images were taken using an IVIS Spectrumto monitor tumor growth. Tumor growth inhibition from <sup>188</sup>Re-liposome with capecitabin was superior to <sup>188</sup>Re-liposome combined with capecitabin alone, and the untreated normal saline groups. Further, the tumor-bearing mice treated with <sup>188</sup>Re-liposome combined with capecitabin alone (40.50 d; 179%), capecitabin alone (21.25 d; 47%) , and the untreated normal saline groups (14.50 d). These results support the possible use of combined radiochemotherapy of <sup>188</sup>Re-liposome with capecitabin as a viable treatment option in an adjuvant setting for colorectal cancer liver metastases.

## **Biography**

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