# Riboflavin-Based Cell Targeting: Riboflavin Binding Protein Binding Studies

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## Overview

### Background

- Developing cell targeting nanoparticle
  - Multivalent Dendrimer small molecule approach





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• G5 (dendrimer) - RF drug complex

#### The Dendritic Structure



### RFBP and Competitive Binding SPR

- RFBP competition with free RF 
   RF in solution competing with RF linked to chip
- RFBP competition with RF mimics
  - RF mimics compete with RF linked to chip.



RFBP at 11µM



RFBP with free RF RFBP at 5.5µM; RF at 6.7µM



# RiboflavinQuinacrineMimic chosen for aromatic similarity; also aknown drug that signals apoptosis

# One concentration - working towards a binding curve



### One concentration - working towards a binding curve after subtraction



### Riboflavin Binding Studies: Riboflavin - RFBP competition



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### **Riboflavin Binding Studies**

- IC<sub>50</sub> Competition with RF linker for RFBP active site RFBP - Riboflavin IC<sub>50</sub> ~ 1.05  $\mu$ M RFBP - Quinacrine IC<sub>50</sub> ~ 28.0  $\mu$ M
- Quinacrine seems about one order of magnitude weaker binding (for this ligand-protein system)

# Moving on

- Work on SPR system:
  - Immobilize RFBP on chip
- Multivalent system
  - dendrimer with RF (and drug?)
  - o dendrimer with Qc
    - Quinacrine's 1 order of magnitude deficiency may be vastly outweighed by Multivalent binding cooperativity
    - Quinacrine has been shown as apoptotic inducer

### Thank you all

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