

## Prevention of blood incompatibility related hemagglutination: Blocking of antigen A on red blood cells using *in silico* designed recombinant Anti-A scFv

### Saturation of antigen-A and hemolysis of RBCs

A preliminary test was conducted to determine the optimal concentration of RBCs covering the range of dilutions starting from 1 nM to 500  $\mu$ M. For this cells/ul of RBCs were determined and different volumes of RBCs (0.5, 1, 5, and 10  $\mu$ L) were taken. It was assumed that the number of cells in each volume were a direct multiple of volume (ul) (table 1). Two experiments were performed with each volume of RBCs using highest dilution 1 nM and lowest dilution 500  $\mu$ M.

1. **Incubation with Highest Dilution (1 nM):** Each RBC volume was resuspended in 1 nM anti-A scFv solution and incubated for 1 hour at 37 °C with shaking. After incubation, an indirect ELISA was performed to quantify scFvs attached to the RBCs.
2. **Incubation with Lowest Dilution (500  $\mu$ M):** Each RBC volume was resuspended in 500  $\mu$ M anti-A scFv solution and incubated for 1 hour at 37 °C with shaking. The supernatant was collected for indirect ELISA analysis, and the RBCs were assessed for hemagglutination.

Table S1: Number of cells of RBCs in each volume

A+	
Volume (ul)	Cells/ul
0.5	$2.5 \times 10^6$
1	$5.1 \times 10^6$
5	$5.1 \times 10^6 \times 5$
10	$5.1 \times 10^6 \times 10$

Table S2: Absorbance in OD of attached scFvs on RBCs measured through microplate reader

A+	
Volume (ul)	OD at 450 nm
0.5	0.0*
1	0.008
5	0.150
10	0.289

\*Concentrations not in detectable range

Table S3: Percentage of scFvs left in supernatant of lowest dilution (500  $\mu$ M) and hemagglutination of RBCs after incubation.

A+			
Volume (ul)	Percentage %		Hemagglutination
	Initial	Final	
0.5	100	44	No
1	100	29	No
5	100	21	Yes
10	100	13	Yes

The lowest volume of RBCs in which attached scFvs were detectable when incubated in 1 nM dilution (table 2) and the highest volume of RBCs, in which no hemagglutination was observed when incubated in 500  $\mu$ M dilution, was selected for subsequent experiments (table 3).