

基于光动力学疗法抗肿瘤的纳米给药系统

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摘要: 光动力学疗法 (photodynamic therapy, PDT) 是用一定波长的光激发光敏剂, 产生单线态氧杀伤周围细胞, 具有创伤小、不良反应小和不易产生耐药性的优点。纳米给药系统静脉注射后具有肿瘤靶向、缓释和环境敏感性等特点。采用纳米给药系统载光敏剂可结合二者优点, 增强光动力学抗肿瘤效果。本综述从光动力学疗法作用机制、载光敏剂纳米制剂及光动力学疗法与其他方法联合应用等方面, 概括了基于光动力学疗法抗肿瘤纳米给药系统的研究进展, 希望为其临床应用提供参考。

关键词: 光动力学疗法; 光敏剂; 肿瘤靶向; 纳米载体; 联合疗法

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Anti-tumor nanoscale drug delivery systems based on photodynamic therapy

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Abstract: Photodynamic therapy (PDT) is a therapeutic strategy by which photosensitizers are excited by specific light irradiation to produce singlet oxygen for killing the surrounding cells. The advantages of PDT include weak invasion, slight side effect, and low resistance. The advantages of nanoscale drug delivery systems (DDS) include tumor-targeting, sustained release, and environmental-sensitivity. The combination of PDT and nanoscale DDS would likely lead to tumor targeting of photosensitizers and enhance their antitumor effectiveness. This review discusses the mechanism of PDT, photosensitizer-loaded nanoscale formulations, the combination of PDT and other antitumor therapies, and summarizes the applications and prospects of anti-tumor nanoscale DDS based on PDT. This review is a useful reference for its clinical application.

Key words: photodynamic therapy; photosensitizer; tumor-targeting; nanocarrier; combinational therapy

光动力学疗法 (photodynamic therapy, PDT) 是一种无创、高选择性的治疗方法, 其原理是特定光激发光敏剂 (photosensitizer, PS) 到激发态, 激发态光敏剂将能量传递给周围的氧, 生成活性氧 (reactive oxygen species, ROS), 其中包括单线态氧 (1O_2), 进而对周围组织和细胞产生毒性^[1]。PDT 已广泛应用于食管癌和皮肤

癌等肿瘤治疗。但由于光敏剂大多溶解度低, 缺乏靶向性, 同时激发光源 (波长范围一般在 400~700 nm) 对皮肤和组织穿透力不足, 限制了 PDT 应用于深层组织疾病如深部肿瘤的治疗^[2]。

纳米给药系统 (nanoscale drug delivery systems) 的优点众多, 已成为近年药物递送领域研究热点, 能提高难溶性药物溶解度, 同时递送多个药物, 可实现肿瘤靶向等。载光敏剂纳米给药系统结合二者优势, 能增强光动力学抗肿瘤效果。本综述从光动力学疗法作用机制、载光敏剂纳米制剂及光动力学疗法与其他方

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法联合应用等方面,概括了基于光动力学疗法抗肿瘤纳米给药系统的研究进展,希望为其临床应用提供参考。

1 PDT作用机制

1.1 PDT三要素

PDT三要素为光敏剂、光和组织内氧含量。光能激发光敏剂和穿透生物组织,其辐照方式、波长和强度直接影响疗效。临床常用光源(辐射源)包括发光二极管(light emitting diode, LED)、X射线、自然光、近红外光(near infrared light, NIR)和在体发光等。自然光治疗面积大,操作简单,是临床治疗光角化病的常用光源,但对人体组织穿透深度小,仅适用于浅表疾病治疗;NIR生物组织吸收较低,组织穿透深度较大;X射线组织穿透深度不受限制,突破了传统PDT治疗深度受限的问题,但需较高辐照强度才可达到有效光量子产率,易引起正常组织损伤;在体发光可从根本上解决传统PDT中光源穿透深度的限制,但与外部激发光源相比发光强度较弱,影响PDT实际治疗效果,故未来研究方向是如何提高在体发光的发光效率;LED相比于其他光源,具有成本低、寿命长、功耗低和易推广等优点,且带宽相对较窄,光谱范围覆盖从紫外光到红外光,可与不同光敏剂最佳吸收波长匹配^[3]。

光敏剂是PDT过程中的活性氧生成催化剂,是决定PDT疗效的重要因素。光敏剂的选择与疾病类型、给药途径有关^[4]。目前,光敏剂可分为三代:第一代以血卟啉衍生物为代表,有效成分主要是双血卟啉醚或酯;第二代包括酞菁类、卟啉类衍生物和稠环醌类化合物,相比第一代光敏剂,采用了更长波长的激发光,组织穿透能力强,治疗深度加深,ROS产率更高,提高了治疗效果;第三代光敏剂由第二代光敏剂与靶向配体结合形成,具体包括免疫靶向光敏剂、表皮生长因子受体靶向光敏剂和mRNA靶向光敏剂等,进一步提高了光敏剂靶向性及PDT的高效、安全性。部分光敏剂及其应用见表1^[5-17]。

PDT有效治疗的一个必要条件是组织内要有足够的氧,而肿瘤微环境一般为缺氧状态,不利于PDT;同时PDT会进一步消耗氧气,加重了肿瘤内乏氧。因此可通过增加肿瘤组织氧供应来增加PDT疗效,如用全氟化碳和血红蛋白等载体将氧气输送到肿瘤部位,或用过氧化氢酶分解肿瘤细胞产生的H₂O₂得到O₂,以提高PDT效率^[18]。

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光敏剂分布于病变部位后,使用特定波长、足够强度的光照射光敏剂,光敏剂分子吸收光子能量,从基态

变为激发态,然后将能量传递给周围氧分子。具体机制包括I型和II型反应。I型反应为激发态光敏剂将自身电子转移至氧分子中形成超氧化物,或把电子转移到其他电子受体使之成为自由基。II型反应是激发态光敏剂将自身电子能量转移给基态氧分子,使之成为单线态氧^[19,20]。上述生成的活性成分统称为活性氧。PDT发挥效应的具体机制包括:① 活性氧的强氧化性能直接氧化蛋白质、脂质和核酸^[1];② 调节机体免疫反应^[21];③ 损伤周围血管和组织,造成肿瘤缺血性死亡^[22]。

2 载光敏剂纳米给药系统

粒径处于纳米级范围的给药系统可统称为纳米给药系统,纳米级别在药学领域常被规定为1~1 000 nm^[23]。纳米给药系统具有载药能力大、靶向、防止药物降解、体内循环时间长和缓控释等优点,特别适用于分子质量大、稳定性差、难吸收、需靶向或缓控释的药物。

作为PDT中重要的一环,光敏剂由于其本身缺陷导致应用受限,如光敏剂多为脂溶性、靶向性差,具有潜在光毒性等。采用纳米给药系统递送光敏剂,可扬长避短,能减少其在正常组织中的非特异性累积,降低机体光敏性,减少光毒性等。用功能基团或靶向基团进行表面修饰后,可进一步加强靶向性,降低使用剂量和不良反应,提高PDT疗效^[24]。将疏水光敏剂通过非共价键或共价键与适当纳米载体连接形成纳米光敏剂,可被动或主动靶向到目标细胞,有效增强活性氧产生的能力,并在封闭的恶性肿瘤中选择性累积而不损害健康细胞。功能性纳米光敏剂还可响应特定内部或外部刺激,如pH、酶、磁场、光、热和超声等产生智能化释药^[25,26]。内部刺激触发的纳米粒依赖于药物释放目标的生物环境变化,外部因素调节的载光敏剂纳米粒可精确控制释放实现智能化给药,主要依赖于外部刺激强度或持续时间^[27,28]。

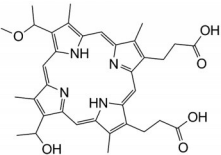
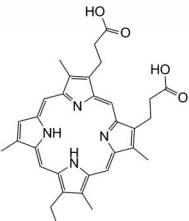
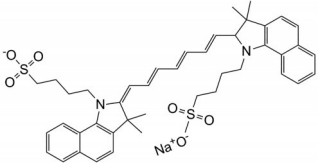
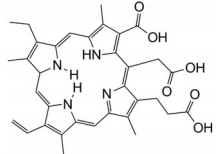
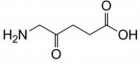
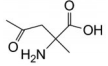
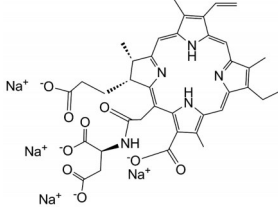
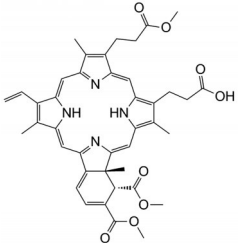
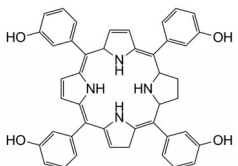
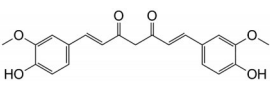
常用载光敏剂纳米给药系统包括脂质体、纳米粒[上转换纳米粒(upconversion nanoparticle, UCNP)、胶束、纳米乳和纳米凝胶等(图1),上述载体在制备工艺、靶向性、PDT效率和给药方式等方面各有特点(表2)^[29-32]。

2.1 脂质体(liposomes)

脂质体是由胆固醇和磷脂双分子层构成的囊泡,其结构和组成与生物膜相似,因此容易与细胞膜融合,生物相容性好,不良反应小。脂质体结构中同时含有亲水性和疏水性区域,可用于亲水性和疏水性光敏剂的包载和递送^[33]。

近年来,使用载光敏剂脂质体的研究较多。亲水型光敏剂5-氨基酮戊酸皮肤渗透性差,使用脂质体包

Table 1 Some photosensitizers and their applications

Photosensitizer	Chemical structural formula	Application	Reference
Hematoporphyrin monomethyl ether		Brain glioma, nevus flammeus	[5]
Photofrin		Esophageal cancer	[6]
Indocyanine green		Wound healing, herpes simplex virus	[7,8]
Trastuzumab-chlorin e6		Breast cancer	[9]
5-Aminolevulinic acid		Cervical cancer, esophageal cancer, neurogliocytoma	[6,10,11]
Methyl aminolevulinic acid		Actinic keratoses	[12]
Talaporfin sodium		Oral squamous cell carcinoma	[13]
Verteporfin		Macular degeneration	[14]
Temoporfin		Head and neck cancer, prostate cancer	[15,16]
Curcumin		Plaque psoriasis	[17]

载后可有效增强皮肤渗透性,增加 PDT 渗透深度^[34]。载酞菁脂质体可避免酞菁聚集,增加单线态氧产率,显著抑制胶质母细胞瘤生长,对皮肤和黏膜恶性肿瘤疗效显著^[35,36]。半卟啉二甲酸二嗪是一种卟啉类光敏剂,光学性能良好,单线态氧产生率高,但游离半卟啉二甲酸二嗪的细胞毒性大且稳定性差。中性、阴离子和阳离子脂质体分别载半卟啉二甲酸二嗪衍生物-S 型半卟啉二甲酸二嗪后,发现阳离子脂质体细胞毒性远低于游离化合物,单线态氧产率高,光激发后对两种口腔鳞状癌细胞 (CAL27、HSC-3) 和人宫颈癌上皮细胞 (HeLa) 均有良好杀伤效果^[37]。近红外荧光染料光敏剂吖啶菁绿 (indocyanine green, ICG) 已成功应用于临床,如心脏病学、肝病学和荧光引导手术等,但在水溶液中不稳定,皮肤渗透性不佳,使用受限。载 ICG 壳

聚糖脂质体可增强其皮肤渗透性,显著增强 B16-F10 黑色素瘤细胞对 ICG 的摄取和光细胞毒性^[38]。脂质体作为光敏剂载体需关注的问题包括光敏剂在脂质体中的封装率及如何从脂质体中完全释放等问题。

2.2 纳米粒 (nanoparticles)

2.2.1 聚合物纳米粒 (polymeric nanoparticles)

聚合物纳米粒可定义为由天然高分子或合成聚合物构成的纳米粒^[39],前者包括白蛋白、壳聚糖和透明质酸;后者有聚丙烯酰胺、聚乳酸和聚乳酸羟基乙酸等其他嵌段或接枝共聚物等。

倍他环糊精 (β -cyclodextrins, β -CD) 聚合物、阴离子型四磺酸基锌酞菁 (zinc phthalocyanine, ZnPc) 和 NO 供体 (NO photodonor)-硝基苯胺金刚烷胺衍生物 (adamantyl-nitroaniline derivative, Ada) 混合后形成了

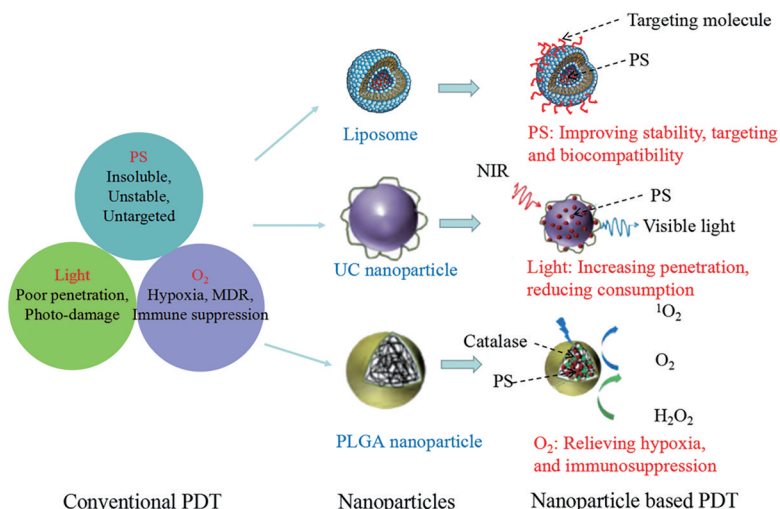


Figure 1 Nanoparticle-based photodynamic therapy (PDT) for enhanced anti-tumor treatment. PS: Photosensitizer; UC: Upconversion; NIR: Near infrared light; MDR: Multidrug resistance; PLGA: Poly (lactic-co-glycolic acid)

Table 2 Preparation methods and PDT efficiency of the nanocarriers. DDS: Drug delivery systems; ROS: Reactive oxygen species

Nanoscale DDS	Photosensitizer	Preparation method	PDT efficiency	Reference
Liposome	Cyanine IR-820	Lipid film hydration followed by extrusion	Significantly improved ability to generate ROS by cyanine IR-820 loaded into liposomes	[29]
Nanoparticle	AlPcS4	Interfacial polymerization. To a water solution of 2-(dimethyloctyl)-ammonium ethylmethacrylate bromide was added 2-aminoethyl ethacrylate hydrochloride, followed by initiator addition and polymerization. The obtained nanocarriers were purified by dialysis and loaded with AlPcS4 by vortexing, followed by centrifugation	High ability to generate ROS by encapsulated photosensitizer (¹ O ₂ was shown to diffuse from nanocarriers and to exhibit a significant photodynamic effect in cells)	[30]
Micelle	Photofrin II®	Thin film method. Thin film (Pluronic/ Photofrin II®) deposition from THF solution, followed by its hydration	Significantly improved photoactivity (ability to generate ROS and reduce photobleaching) for solubilized Photofrin II®	[31]
Nanoemulsion	Chloroaluminum phthalocyanine	Spontaneous emulsification. Solutions of chloroaluminum phthalocyanine in ethanol were added to castor oil/polyoxyl-35 castor oil mixtures, followed by organic solvent removal	Nanoemulsion protects PS against loss of photoactivity (confirmed by UV-Vis and fluorescence spectroscopy)	[32]

超分子自组装纳米粒, 粒径仅为 35 nm, 呈现双光子荧光成像和双模式治疗。聚 β -CD 作为载体包裹硝基苯胺衍生物, ZnPc 分布其中, 在 405 和 633 nm 可见光激发下 (分别激发 NO 供体和 ZnPc), 同时释放具有细胞毒性的 NO 自由基和单线态氧, 高效杀死肿瘤细胞^[40] (图 2)。

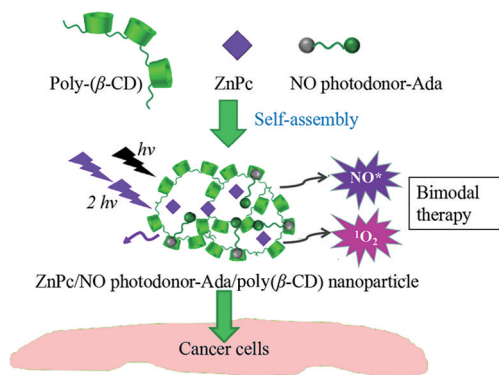


Figure 2 Molecular structure of poly(β -CD), ZnPc, an NO photodonor attached to an adamantane moiety (NO photodonor-Ada), and corresponding ZnPc/NO photodonor-Ada/poly(β -CD) nanoparticles. β -CD: β -Cyclodextrins; ZnPc: Zinc phthalocyanine; Ada: Adamantyl-nitroaniline derivative

羧甲基壳聚糖纳米粒 (carboxymethyl chitosan nanoparticles, CMC NPs) 负载光敏剂甲苯蓝 (methylbenzene blue, MB) 制备的羧甲基壳聚糖纳米粒 CMC-MBNP 具有 pH 响应性释放的特点。体外研究表明, CMC-MBNP 能在弱酸环境中抑制耐药性人乳腺癌细胞 (MCF-7/ADR) 的生长^[41], 推测其在肿瘤微酸环境下能释放甲苯蓝发挥抗肿瘤作用。二氧化锰包裹的血卟啉单甲醚 PLGA 纳米粒 (PLGA/HMME@MnO₂ NP) 被肿瘤细胞摄取后, 在肿瘤细胞内高浓度谷胱甘肽作用下, MnO₂ 被还原为 Mn²⁺, 促进血卟啉单甲醚释放, 发挥细胞内 PDT 作用。同时, PLGA/HMME@MnO₂ 纳米粒可降低胞内谷胱甘肽水平, 减轻肿瘤缺氧状态, 提高 PDT 疗效^[42]。

近红外二区光源 (1 000~1 700 nm) 比近红外一区光源的组织穿透力更强, 成像深度更大。两性聚苯乙烯-共-氯甲基苯乙烯-接枝-聚乙二醇纳米粒通过自组装负载近红外二区氟硼二吡咯类 (boron-dipyrromethene, BODIPY) 光敏剂 BDP-I-N 后, 再以 PD-L1 单克隆抗体修饰。该纳米粒在近红外二区光激发下可实现免疫检查点 PD-L1 实时成像, 单线态氧产率高, 可消除原发性肿瘤。该纳米粒除可对 PD-L1 表达及 MC38 肿瘤进行分析外, 还具有体内分子成像功能。其在 808 nm 激光激发后可产生 1 200 nm 以上发射波长, 肿

瘤与正常组织信号比(T/N) 约为 14.1, 可实现成像。PDT 和免疫疗法联合应用 30 天可使小鼠 MC38 肿瘤消除, 且 40 天内不复发^[43]。因此充分利用近红外二区光源的穿透优势激活光敏剂, 可进一步改善 PDT 对深层肿瘤的治疗效果。开发生物相容性好、毒性低和单线态氧产率高的载近红外二区光敏剂纳米粒, 在分子成像和光动力学/免疫联合肿瘤治疗中非常有价值。聚合物纳米粒一般对光敏剂封装率较高, 且粒径较均匀, 需关注问题包括光敏剂完全释放及聚合物在体内降解性等。

2.2.2 无机纳米粒 (inorganic nanoparticles) 药物可通过物理吸附或共价键结合在无机纳米粒表面, 也可包埋多孔无机载体中^[44]。但无机纳米粒通常生物相容性较差, 可通过在其表面构建有机壳层, 既能减小无机纳米粒毒性, 也能为一些生物分子 (如配体连接) 提供功能化位点, 以增强对受体和靶分子的亲和力和选择性^[45]。

光的组织穿透深度和波长密切相关, 波长越长, 穿透组织深度越深, 但波长较长的光能量较小, 可能难以激发光敏剂。UCNP 可将长波长激发光转变成多重短波光释放^[46], 用光转换作用增加 PDT 治疗渗透深度^[47]。UCNP 通常由三价镧系离子嵌入在适当的无机宿主晶格中构成^[48]。

基于上转换材料的纳米给药系统 UCSiAuO-2 由具有上转换发光特性的 UCNP、多孔 SiO₂ 和具有氧生成功能的氧化金 (Au₂O₃) 组成, 可作为二氢卟吩 e6 的载体。Au₂O₃ 经近红外光激发, 在 UCNP 帮助下通过荧光共振能量转移 (fluorescence resonance energy transfer, FRET) 的方式产生氧。这种光控、自供式产氧模式能为光敏剂二氢卟吩 e6 提供足够氧以产生活性氧发挥细胞毒作用^[49]。

NaGdF₄ 是一种掺杂稀土元素 Gd 的空心上转换纳米粒, 可作为姜黄素 (curcumin, CUR) 载体, 脱铁蛋白 (apoferritin, AFn) 是一种能载多柔比星 (doxorubicin, DOX) 的蛋白, 叶酸 (folic acid, FA) 修饰的双载药上转换纳米粒 CUR/NaGdF₄-DOX/AFn-FA 对肿瘤细胞具有良好靶向性, 并能短时间内实现两种药物的释放, 对 MCF-7 细胞具有明显生长抑制作用^[50]。无机纳米粒的粒径均匀, 可高效实现光穿透和能量传递, 但需重点关注其长期应用安全性。

2.3 聚合物胶束 (polymeric micelles)

聚合物胶束一般由两性性聚合物自发构成, 包括疏水性内核和亲水性外壳, 其热力学和动力学稳定性较高, 生物相容性好, 能同时负载抗肿瘤药物和光敏剂, 实现 PDT 和化疗联合应用。

聚乳酸-聚乙二醇共聚物在水中可自组装形成胶束,包裹疏水性光敏剂-焦脱镁叶绿素a和新型强双光子吸收化合物,抗肿瘤作用显著^[51]。载多柔比星和二氢卟吩e6的硝基咪唑聚合物胶束到达肿瘤组织后,硝基咪唑转化为亲水性氨基咪唑,导致胶束分解和药物快速释放^[52]。载光敏剂金丝桃素的Pluronic P84胶束可增强药物渗透性,提高药物稳定性,增加黑色素瘤对金丝桃素的吸收^[53]。载光敏剂全氟化聚合物胶束Ce6-PFOC-PEI-M (photosensitizer Ce6-loaded fluorinated polymeric micelle) 具有类似于全氟化碳的携氧能力,与非氟化聚合物胶束Ce6-OC-PEI-M相比,提高了携氧水平,对肿瘤细胞具有明显毒性^[54]。含二硫键的卟啉衍生物和金刚烷胺首先形成超分子(TPPC₆-SS-Ada,图3),PEG400-β-CD再与TPPC₆-SS-Ada基于主客分子相互作用在水溶液中自组装形成球形胶束,其粒径小且均一,约为72 nm,并且二硫键能在肿瘤细胞内高还原性微环境中断裂释放光敏剂,具有微环境响应性^[55]。尽管聚合物胶束粒径均一,易制备,但其进入血液循环后能否耐受大量血液稀释是需要关注的问题。

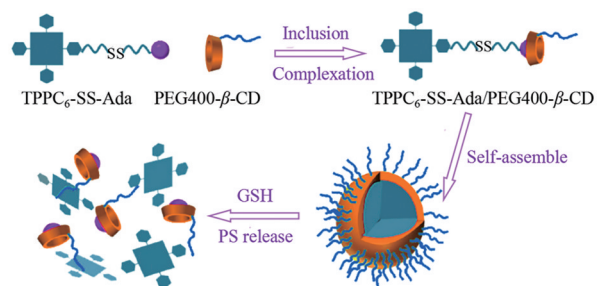


Figure 3 Self-assembly and disassembly process of TPPC₆-SS-Ada/PEG400-β-CD micelles. GSH: Glutathione

2.4 纳米乳 (nanoemulsion)

纳米乳是由水、油、表面活性剂和助表面活性剂自发形成的、粒径为1~100 nm的热力学稳定、各向同性的均相胶体分散体系,一般粒径<200 nm,外观透明,属热力学稳定体系。将光敏剂氯铝酞菁制成纳米乳后,可被人胶质母细胞瘤细胞吞噬,并均匀分布于细胞质中,单线态氧产率高且激发态保持时间长^[56]。采用临床使用的碘化油注射液溶解厌氧溶瘤菌 Clostridium novyi-NT 和掺杂稀土元素 Gd、Tb 及 Ce 的多功能发光剂 NaGdF₄:Tb, Ce@NaGdF₄ 并制备成纳米乳。核壳结构型 NaGdF₄:Tb, Ce@NaGdF₄ 可用于 X 射线引导下的常氧状态下肿瘤周边的 PDT 治疗,而厌氧溶瘤菌可用于乏氧状态下肿瘤治疗。该纳米乳在影像导航下注射到瘤内,可大大增加瘤中心和周围的肿瘤细胞凋亡^[57]。载磁性纳米粒和光敏剂 chlorine 6 的纳米乳在激光照

射下产生单线态氧,同时在交变磁场条件下产热,因此可同时利用磁热疗法和 PDT 增强抗肿瘤作用,体外研究还证明其对表达低密度脂蛋白受体的 MCF-7 乳腺癌细胞具有靶向性^[58]。尽管纳米乳包裹脂溶性光敏剂有一定优势,但需关注外界环境对其稳定性的影响、光敏剂完全释放及单线态氧产率等问题。

2.5 纳米凝胶 (nanogel)

纳米凝胶是亲水性或两性亲性聚合物以物理或化学方式交联形成的三维网状结构^[59],其特点包括:①含水量高,可响应外界条件发生收缩或膨胀;②药物封装于网状结构中,受外界环境影响小;③粒径在20~200 nm之间,有肿瘤被动靶向性^[60];④易进行化学修饰和功能化,实现药物控释^[61]。因此,载光敏剂纳米凝胶不仅可保护光敏剂,还可提高其肿瘤靶向性,实现缓控释。

聚光敏剂纳米凝胶可同时作为纳米光敏剂和药物载体。纳米凝胶-Ce6自身可作为纳米光敏剂,无需释放游离光敏剂Ce6,即可发挥光动力作用。纳米凝胶-Ce6还可进一步载组蛋白去乙酰化酶抑制剂,通过抑制肿瘤细胞 HIF-1 和 VEGF 通路提高前列腺癌治疗效果^[62]。

还原敏感性 PEG 化多肽纳米凝胶与溴原子修饰的活性光敏剂氟化硼二吡咯琥珀酰亚胺酯 NHS-BODIPY-Br 结合后形成纳米凝胶 P-BODIPY。载多柔比星 P-BODIPY 具有还原敏感性药物释放特性,能在 10 mmol·L⁻¹ 谷胱甘肽作用下释放多柔比星,同时仅需较低强度激光照射 (25 mW·cm⁻², 10~15 J·cm⁻²) 及较低剂量多柔比星 (3~5 μg·mL⁻¹) 即可有效抑制 HepG2 肝癌细胞生长^[63]。

3 载光敏剂纳米给药系统与其他方法联用治疗肿瘤

近年来载光敏剂纳米给药系统与其他肿瘤疗法联用成为研究热点,如化疗、放疗和免疫治疗等。与单独 PDT 比较,联合疗法能发挥协同作用,在提高疗效的同时减少单一疗法的不良反应,实现治疗效果的最大化和最优化。

3.1 光动力纳米给药系统与化疗联用

化疗是肿瘤主要治疗方法之一,但大部分化疗药物呈现非肿瘤细胞特异性,易出现耐药性,临床使用受限。载光敏剂纳米给药系统通过单线态氧直接破坏肿瘤细胞,不产生耐药性;与化疗药物联用还可能产生协同作用,具有减少化疗药物剂量、提高肿瘤组织对化疗药物的敏感性、克服化疗药物多重耐药性和提高肿瘤晚期患者疗效的优点。

FA 修饰的牛血清白蛋白 (bovine serum albumin, BSA)-氧化镍纳米粒 (nickel oxide nanoparticle, NOP) 核-壳结构单线态氧响应载多柔比星纳米给药系统

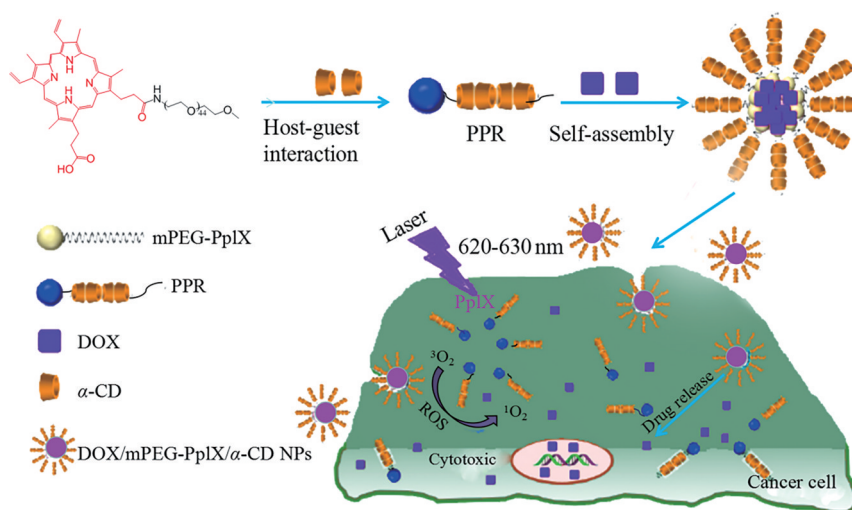


Figure 4 Illustration of polypseudorotaxane doxorubicin (DOX)/mPEG-PpIX/ α -CD nanoparticles with the dual PDT/chemotherapy effects. PPR: Polypseudorotaxane

NOP-DOX@BSA-FA 可提高多柔比星的肿瘤靶向性, 实现高效低毒^[64]。原卟啉 IX (PpIX) 和多柔比星局部用透明质酸多功能水凝胶经近红外光照射后可产生 ROS, 破坏凝胶结构释放多柔比星 (图4)^[65]。以光敏剂四羧基锌酞菁为核心制备载多柔比星 pH 敏感型四臂星形共聚物, 静脉注射后可靶向肿瘤, 基于肿瘤内低 pH 环境响应释放, 效果明显^[66]。将抗肿瘤单克隆抗体与光敏剂二氢卟吩 e6 偶联后, 肿瘤靶向性增强, 协同治疗 HER2 阳性乳腺癌效果显著^[9]。

载光敏剂纳米给药系统联合化疗还可克服多药耐药 (multidrug resistance, MDR)。光敏剂亚甲蓝与多柔比星联用, 可增加多柔比星在肿瘤细胞中浓度, 同时下调 P-gp 转运表达, 使 ROS 大量积累, 导致耐药肿瘤细胞坏死或凋亡^[66]。

3.2 载光敏剂纳米给药系统与免疫疗法联用

载光敏剂纳米给药系统可导致肿瘤组织坏死或凋亡, 释放出大量肿瘤抗原物质, 从而诱发抗肿瘤免疫反应 (图5), 与免疫检查点抑制剂联合应用能进一步增强原位和复发肿瘤的治疗效果。PpIX 与免疫检查点抑制剂 1-甲基色氨酸 (1-methyltryptophan, 1MT) 结合得到一种嵌合肽 PpIX-1MT, 制成纳米粒后靶向至肿瘤组织, 经光源激发后产生 ROS, 诱导肿瘤细胞凋亡, 促进 caspase-3 表达和肿瘤抗原产生, 引发强烈免疫反应; 而释放的 1MT 可进一步增强免疫, 激活 CD8⁺ T 细胞发挥抗肿瘤作用, 有效抑制原发性和肺转移性肿瘤^[67]。光敏剂焦脱镁叶绿酸和 IDO 抑制剂 (inhibitor of indoleamine 2,3-dioxygenase) NLG919 共价结合后制备成透明质酸纳米粒, 可通过 CD44 受体实现肿瘤靶向, 经近红外激光照射后释放 ROS, 激发 T 淋巴细胞

的抗肿瘤作用, 可有效治疗免疫功能正常小鼠的 CT26 大肠肿瘤^[68]。

3.3 光动力纳米给药系统与放疗联用

放疗是肿瘤治疗常用方法之一。早期皮肤癌、宫

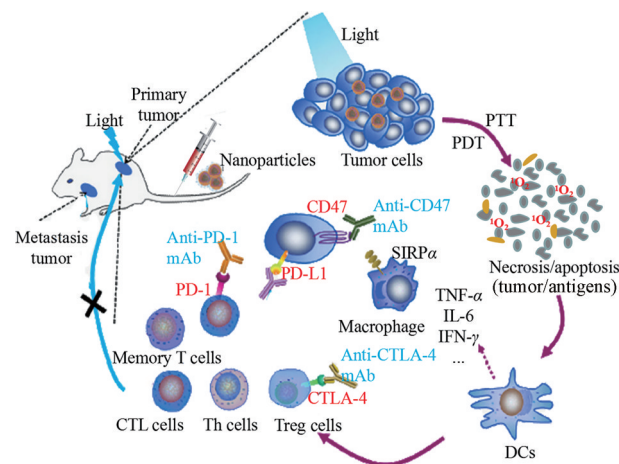


Figure 5 Antitumor immune responses induced by nanoparticles-based PDT. Nanoparticles enter the tumor site through passive or active targeting. Tumor cells are killed by PDT. Then, cell debris and tumor-associated antigens were released to induce immune effector cells, including the activation and redistribution of DCs and T lymphocytes, together with the expression and secretion of cytokines. The combined use of checkpoint inhibitors can enhance antitumor immunity for the treatment of primary and metastatic tumors. PD-1: Programmed cell death-1; PD-L1: Programmed cell death-ligand 1; CTL cells: Cytotoxic T lymphocyte cells; Th cells: Helper T cells; Treg cells: Regulatory cells; CD47: Cluster of differentiation 47; CTLA-4: Cytotoxic T-lymphocyte-associated antigen 4; SIRP α : Signal regulatory protein α ; TNF- α : Tumor necrosis factor- α ; IL-6: Interleukin-6; IFN- γ : Interferon γ ; DCs: Dendritic cells; PTT: Photothermal therapy

颈癌等患者单独使用放疗治疗率高达90%以上,5年生存率可达50%以上。晚期癌症患者姑息性放疗可减轻症状和疼痛,延长生存时间^[69]。但放疗的非特异性往往导致辐射场中正常组织损伤,且肿瘤组织内乏氧细胞可能对放疗具有抗性。因此,迫切需要提高肿瘤对放疗敏感性,提高放疗效率,缩短放疗时间或减少辐射剂量。

多数核素能产生切伦科夫辐射,从而可作为内置光源激发光敏剂。但核素产生的辐射光子效率较低,限制了其肿瘤治疗效果。基于此,设计了放射性核素碘¹³¹标记的长余辉纳米递送系统用于PDT和放疗联合治疗肿瘤。使用半衰期较短的放射性药物¹⁸F-FDG作为内置光源,激发ZGCs($\text{ZnGa}_2\text{O}_4:\text{Cr}^{3+}$)长余辉纳米材料产生近红外光。碘¹³¹进一步激发ZGCs产生长时间荧光持续激发光敏剂四羧酸酞菁锌,发挥PDT治疗效果。同时纳米递送系统高效递送治疗性核素碘¹³¹到达肿瘤细胞产生放疗^[70]。

4 总结

PDT利用特定光源激发光敏剂,在肿瘤组织内部产生活性氧,直接杀伤肿瘤细胞,不会产生肿瘤耐药性,在肿瘤治疗方面显示出独特优势。但PDT组织穿透性和光敏剂效率仍存在一定局限性,目前仅限于表皮和浅表肿瘤治疗。纳米给药系统递送光敏剂可解决PDT光敏剂溶解度低、渗透性弱和靶向性差等问题,二者结合可谓扬长避短。同时,PDT和其他多种抗肿瘤疗法具有协同作用,可进一步提高抗肿瘤效果和安全性。基于纳米给药系统的PDT肿瘤治疗是未来研究热点,具有较好的临床应用前景。

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