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(54) MODIFIED ANTIBODY, ANTIBODY-CONJUGATE AND PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF

(57) The present invention relates to an antibody comprising a $GlcNAc-S(A)_x$ substituent, wherein $S(A)_x$ is a sugar derivative comprising x functional groups A wherein A is independently selected from the group consisting of an azido group, a keto group and an alkynyl group and x is 1, 2, 3 or 4, wherein said $GlcNAc-S(A)_x$ substituent is bonded to the antibody via C1 of the N-acetylglucosamine of said $GlcNAc-S(A)_x$ substituent, and wherein said N-acetylglucosamine is optionally fucosylated.

The invention also relates to an antibody-conjugate, in particular to an antibody-conjugate according to the Formula (**20**) or (**20b**), wherein AB is an antibody, S is a sugar or a sugar derivative, D is a molecule of interest, and wherein said N-acetylglucosamine is optionally fucosylated (b is 0 or 1).

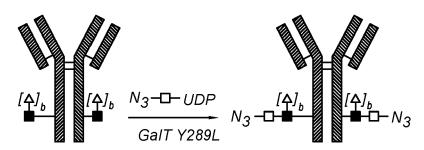
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The invention further relates to a process for the preparation of a modified antibody, to a process for the preparation of an antibody-conjugate, and to said antibody-conjugate for use as a medicament.

In addition, the invention relates to a kit of parts comprising an azide-modified antibody and a linker-conjugate, wherein said linker-conjugate comprises a (hetero)cycloalkynyl group and one or more molecules of interest.

Fig. 4



mixture of mAb with GlcNAc and GlcNAc(Fuc); b = 0 or 1