

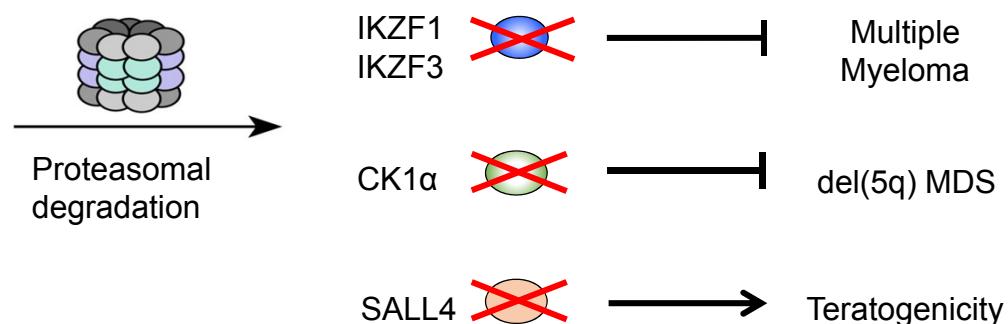
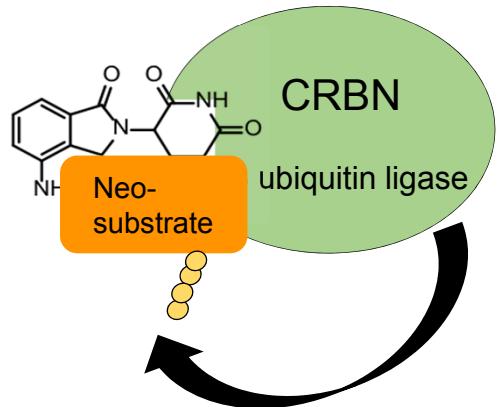
Homo-PROTACs for the Chemical Knockdown of Cereblon

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IMiDs modulate substrate specificity of the CRBN E3 ligase

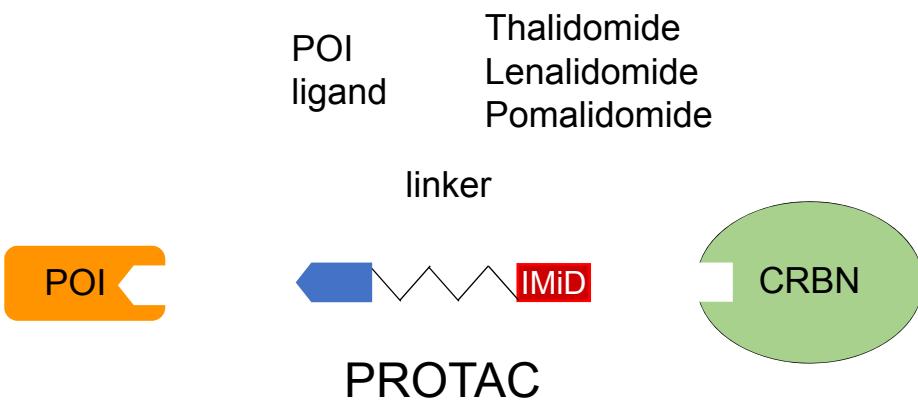
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Ito *et al.*, 2010, *Science*
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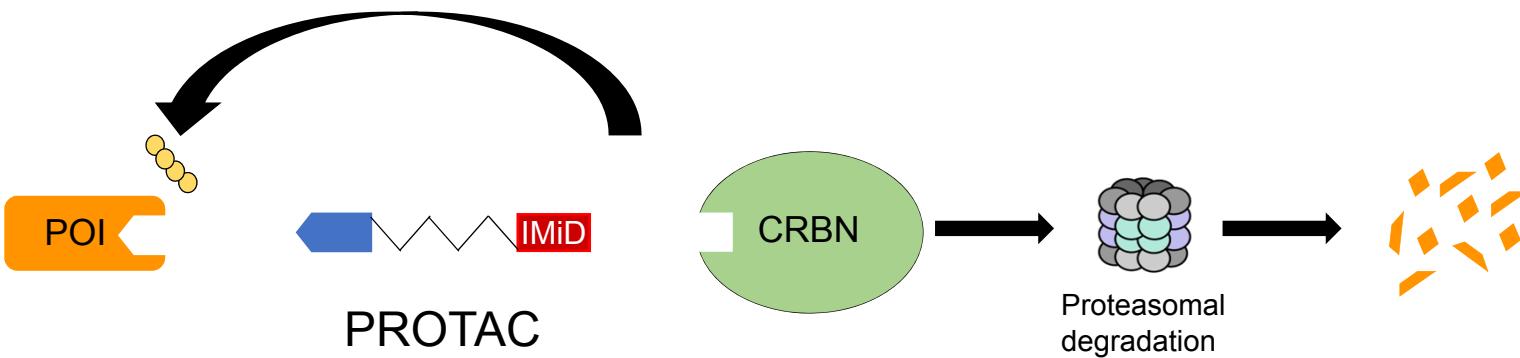
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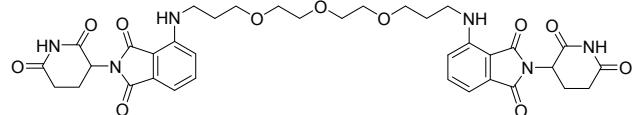
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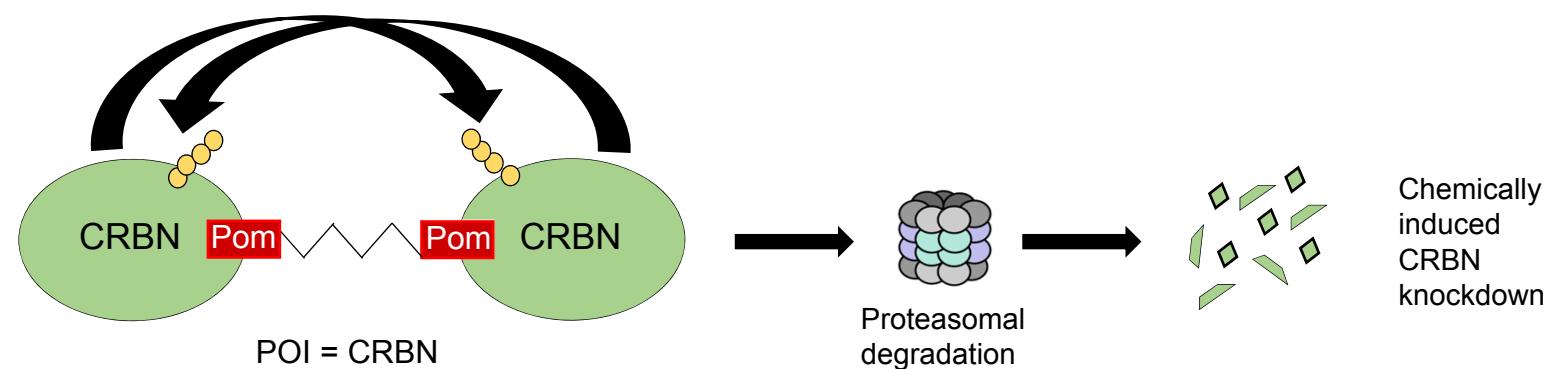
Linker (size X)



Pomalidomide

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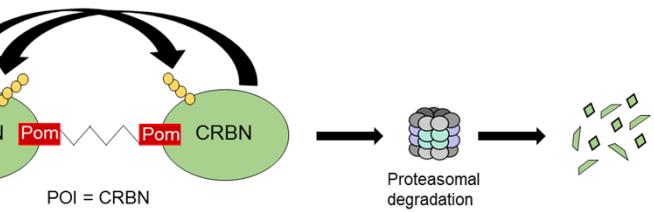
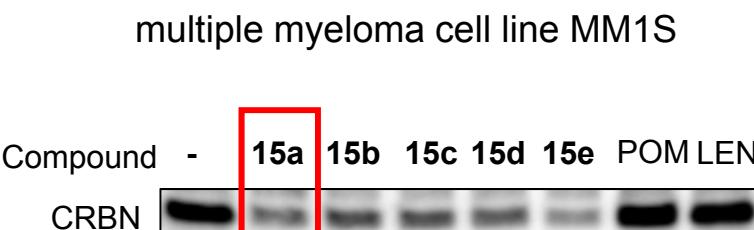
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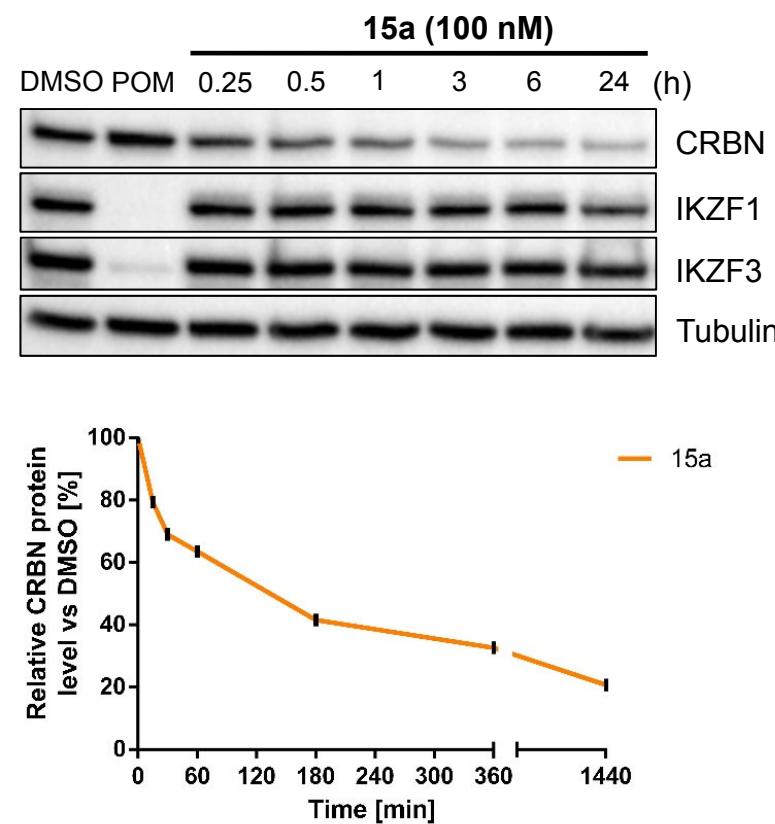
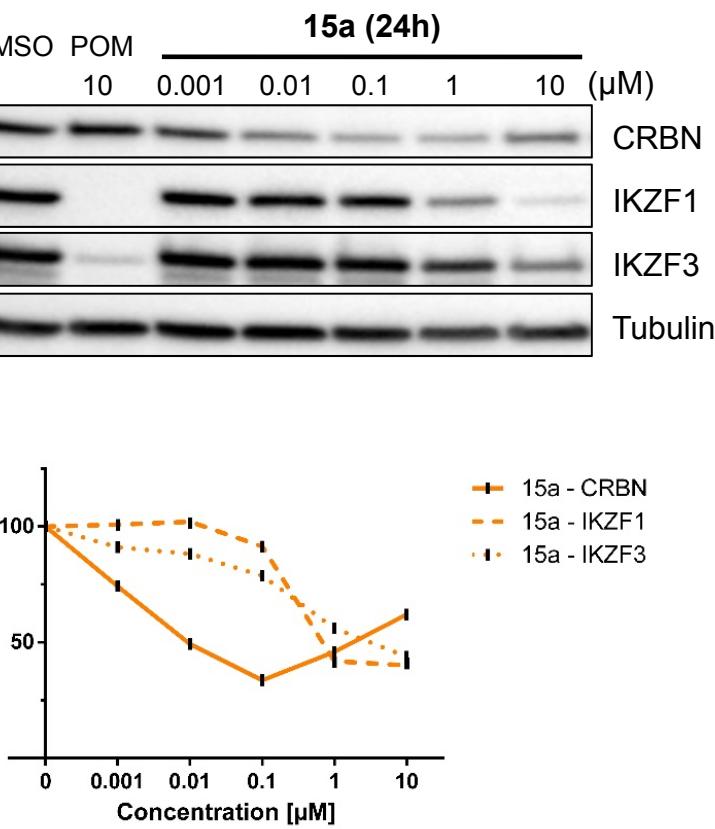
corresponding linker substructures

| Linker | No. of linear linker atoms | CRBN degradation | IKZF1 degradation |
|--------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | 8 | ++ | + |
| | 10 | + | ++ |
| | 12 | + | ++ |
| | 13 | + | ++ |
| | 5 | ++ | + |



LEN: Lenalidomide
POM: Pomalidomide

Pomalidomide-based Homo-PROTACs induce degradation of CRBN



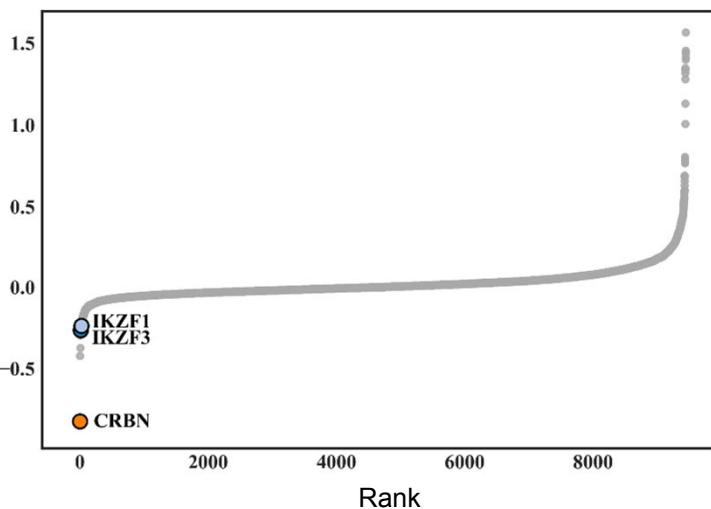
Impact of Homo-PROTAC 15a on the cellular proteome

T-based quantitative proteomics in MM1S cell line

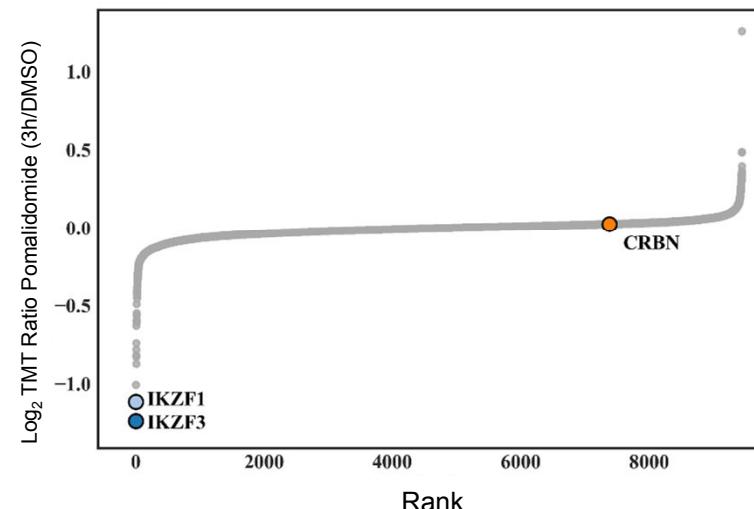
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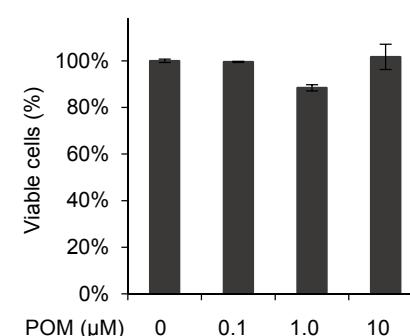
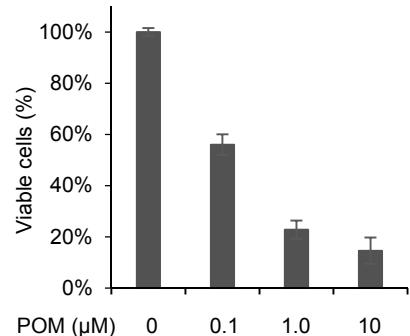
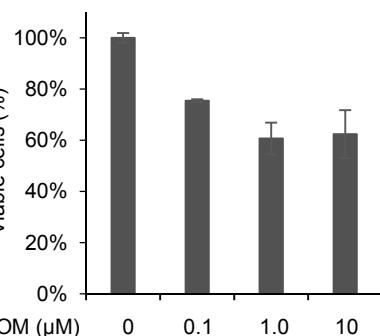
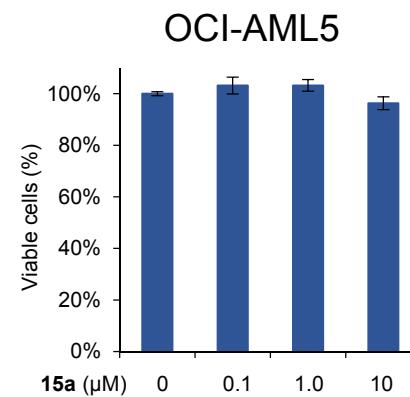
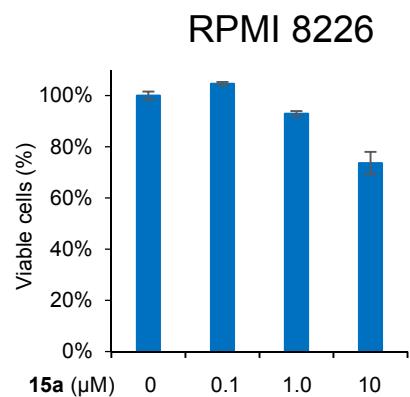
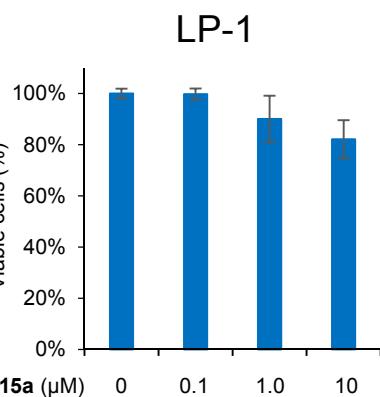
Homo-PROTAC 15 vs. DMSO (3h)



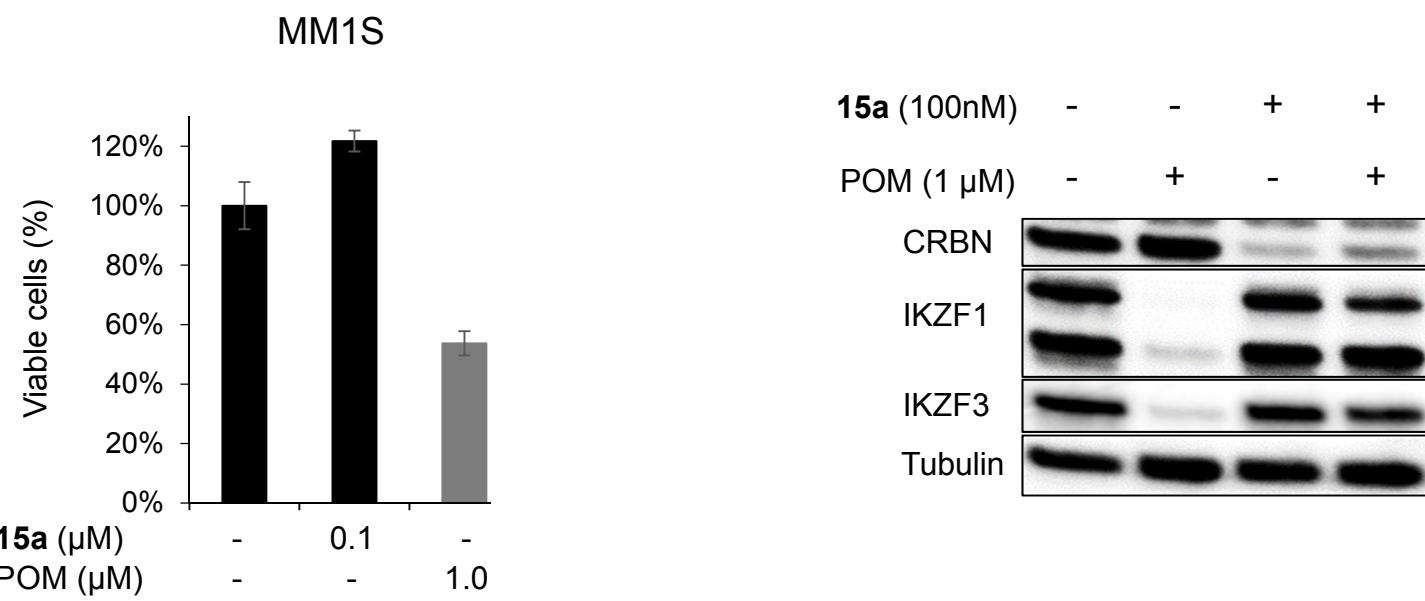
Pomalidomide vs. DMSO (3h)



CRBN knockdown has no effect on cell proliferation



Compound 15a antagonizes the effects of IMiDs on multiple myeloma cells

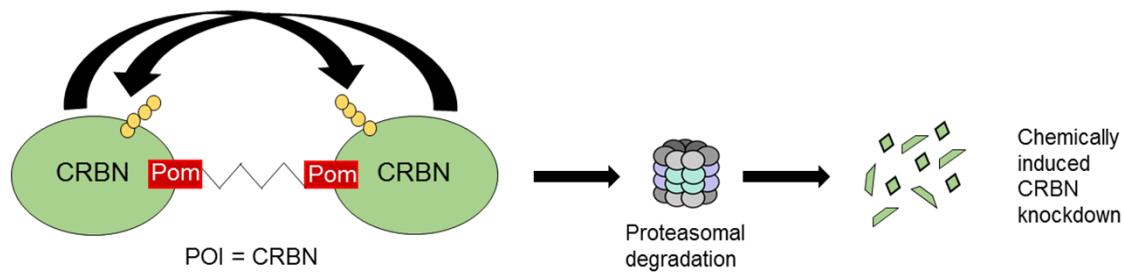


Conclusions

IMiD-based Homo-PROTACs induce specific CRBN ubiquitination and degradation

Chemical CRBN degradation had no effect on cancer cell proliferation

Homo-PROTAC abrogates IMiD effects in multiple myeloma



Homodimeric pomalidomide-based compounds may help to:

- Identify CRBN's endogenous substrates and physiologic function
- Investigate the molecular mechanism of IMiDs
- Potential clinical application in obesity (Lee *et al.*, 2013, *Diabetes*)

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