

**Table S1.** Representative summary of the preclinical development for candidate HDACi-derived glioma therapy.

	Regimen	Year	Main outcome and findings	Ref
Vorinostat (SAHA, Zolinza, MK0683) <i>Pan-HDACi</i>	/	2005	Growth inhibition. Single intra-tumoral injection doubled the survival time of a rat orthotopic glioma model	[1]
	/	2007	Local delivery inhibited intracranial growth in vitro and in vivo	[2]
	/	2007	Inhibited GB growth in vitro and in vivo. Suggested BBB crossing	[3]
	VAN	2009	Treatment enhanced the antiproliferative effect of VAN by inhibition of MAPK, Akt, and other downstream effectors	[4]
	/	2010	Affected glioma cell proliferation, migration, and invasion (2D and 3D)	[5]
	/	2011	Caused GSC disruption and decreased expression of EZH2 and CD133	[6]
	/	2011	Cell cycle protein modulation, activation of the G <sub>2</sub> /M checkpoint and induction of apoptosis	[7]
	LSD1 inhibitor	2011	LSD1 and HDACs cooperate to regulate key apoptotic pathways in GB	[8]
	/	2013	Tumor growth slowdown and autophagy in GB stem cells	[9]
	Bortezomib	2013	Combination therapy significantly enhanced apoptosis	[10]
	Obatoclax/RT	2014	Bcl-2 inhibitor obatoclax overcomes resistance and radiosensitizes	[11]
	/	2014	Causes glioma cells to enter into mitosis before DNA damage could be repaired; formation of an aberrant mitotic spindle that results in glioma cell death through mitotic catastrophe-induced apoptosis	[12]
	HIRT	2015	Suggests a vital role of HDACs in the DDR and support the role of SAHA for GB treatment in combination with heavy ion therapy	[13]
	RT	2015	HDACi treatment 24 and 48-hours pre-RT caused best efficacy. Responses associated with pChek2 and Bcl-XL	[14]
	OLA	2016	Combination treatment enhanced inhibition of GB survival, induces apoptosis and impairs cell cycle progression	[15]
	/	2017	Suppressed hypoxia signaling by modulating nuclear translocation of HIF-1 $\alpha$	[16]
	Chloroquine	2018	Autophagy inhibition potentiates SAHA-mediated apoptosis in GB cells	[17,18]
	MC1568	2019	Decreased tube formation of U87MG cells and patient-derived GB CSCs	[19]
EDO-S101* <i>Pan HDACi</i>	4HPR	2020	Combination treatment significantly reduced cell viability of rat C6 and human T98G GB cells	[20]
	/	2021	Decreased EB1 expression in GB cells, affected microtubule dynamics, cell survival and migration	[21]
	/	2022	Impairing GB cell viability, proliferation, cell motility and migration	[22]
	/	2018	Promising therapeutic activity against GB causing prolonged survival	[23]
	Romidepsin (Istodax, FK228, FR901228, depsipeptide)	/	Inhibited glioma cell proliferation and apoptosis was induced. In vivo, intracranial growth of transplanted GB m3-cells was inhibited	[24]
<i>HDAC class I</i>	Gamitrinib (TRAP1)	2020	Synergistic growth reduction of PDX GB cells	[25]
	Imipridones	2022	Induction of synthetic lethality and increased survival of a GB PDX model	[26]
Belinostat (PXD101, Bleedaaq) <i>Pan-HDACi</i>	/	2016	Variable responses in different GB cell lines. Up-regulation of p21 mRNA expression	[27]
	/	2019	Treatment reduced tumor volume in an orthotopic rat glioma model	[28]
<i>Panobinostat</i> (LBH589) <i>HDAC class I/II</i>	RT	2015	Sensitized 45% of cultures. HDACi treatment 24/48-hours pre-RT resulted in the best efficacy. Responses associated with pChek2 and Bcl-XL	[14]
	Obatoclax/RT	2014	Bcl-2 inhibitor obatoclax overcomes resistance and radiosensitizes	[11]
	Bortezomib	2008	Synergistic apoptosis mediated by mitochondrial Bax translocation	[29]
	Oncolytic Virus Delta24-RGD	2015	Synergism in 50% of GSC. Toxicity to human astrocytes remained limited	[30]
	/	2017	CED of loaded pluronic nano-micelles prolongs survival in a GB rat model	[31]
	/	2017	Inhibits GB growth and angiogenesis through suppression of HIF-1 $\alpha$	[32]
	Bromodomain inhibitor	2018	Synergistical efficacy: inhibited cell viability and induced apoptosis of GB cells	[33]
	OTX015/Sorafenib	2018	Triple combination therapy caused significantly extended host survival	[34]
	BEZ235	2019	Synergistically inhibited cell viability; markedly inhibited cell proliferation and induced apoptosis	[35]

	Gamitrinib (TRAP1)	2020	Combination induced synthetic lethality in PDX GB cells	[25]
	Etomoxir	2020	Combination treatment demonstrated significantly prolonged survival of an PDX GB mice model	[36]
	DZ-Nep /TMZ	2020	Highest synergistic combination: DZ-Nep + panobinostat	[37]
	DZ-Nep/APR-246/ TMZ	2021	APR-246 acts in an additive manner, reducing clonogenicity and inducing apoptosis in GB cells independently of p53 status	[38]
	TMZ/LW#	2021	Triple combination therapy showed a cytotoxic effect against glioma cells (no immunogenic cell death seen)	[39]
	LY500307	2021	Combined treatment reduced cell viability, invasion, colony formation, enhanced apoptosis and enhanced survival of tumor-bearing mice. Could overcome the suppression of ER $\beta$ expression	[40]
	Imipridones	2022	Induction of synthetic lethality and increased survival of a GB PDX mice model	[26]
Valproic acid (VPA, valproate, Depakene) <i>HDAC class I</i>	/	1998	Restricted proliferation in the mid-G1 phase of the cell cycle and altered the prevalence and/or glycosylation state of cell surface glycoproteins	[41]
	/	1998	Inhibited proliferation and changed expression of CD44 and CD56 of malignant glioma cells in vitro	[42]
	RT	2005	Enhanced radiosensitivity of SF539 / U251 cell lines and U251 mice xenograft	[43]
	Hydrazaline&	2006	VPA monotherapy led to 80% growth inhibition in D54 glioma cells, potentiated by hydralazine	[44]
	Etoposide	2007	VPA sensitized glioma cells to etoposide (induced differentiation and up-regulation of p21/WAF1 expression and both isoforms of topoisomerase-II)	[45]
	/	2010	Induced cell growth inhibition and apoptotic activity in U87MG GB cells. Decreased MMP2 and MMP9 activity and enhanced expression of TIMP1	[46]
	/	2014	Caused glioma cell entry into mitosis before DNA damage could be repaired, formation of an aberrant mitotic spindle that resulted in glioma cell death through mitotic catastrophe-induced apoptosis	[12]
	RT	2015	VPA sensitized 40% of cultures. Incubation 24 and 48-hours pre-RT resulted in the best efficacy	[14]
	/	2015	Significantly reduced the proliferation rate and expression of the stem cell markers of GB-derived stem cells, indicating differentiation of the cells	[47]
	/	2016	Promoted apoptosis and inhibited Glycogen Synthase Kinase-3 $\beta$ through ERK/Akt signaling	[48]
	Fluvastatin	2017	Synergistic apoptosis induction	[49]
	/	2017	Inhibited GB cell growth via paraoxonase 2 expression	[50]
	Sulfasalazine	2018	Combination therapy: substantial effect on GB cell's death related to an intracellular oxidative response imbalance	[51]
	/	2018	Inhibited proliferation and reduced invasiveness in GSC through Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin signalling activation	[52]
	TMZ	2019	VPA induced amphiregulin secretion confers resistance to TMZ	[53]
AN-446 <i>VPA prodrug</i>	/	2019	VPA increased the expression levels of acetylated histones H3 and H4 in vitro (could not be confirmed in clinical tumor samples of GB patients)	[54]
	/	2022	Induced cell apoptosis through extrinsic, intrinsic, and JAK/STAT pathways	[55]
Trichostatin A (TSA) <i>HDAC 7,8</i>	/	2018	More potent than VPA. Superior in inducing DNA damage in cancer cells, while in normal astrocytes and cardiomyoblasts AN446 was the least toxic	[56]
	/	2001	Induced apoptosis through an increase in Bad protein in human glioma cells	[57]
	/	2005	Inhibition of cell growth, cell cycle arrest and apoptosis induction	[58]
	2DDG	2006	Combined therapy induced strong apoptosis in brain cancer cells (non p53-dependent)	[59]
	/	2008	Induced apoptosis and cell type-specific differentiation	[60]
	MG132	2008	Synergism of apoptosis induction in U251 glioma cells upon combined treatment	[29]
	/	2009	NECL1 is a tumor suppressor. Loss of it may be caused by histone deacetylation (which can be counteracted by TSA)	[61]
	/	2010	Expression of DKK1, SFRP1 and WIF1 (potent inhibitors of Wnt signal transduction pathways) are decreased in GB, but was restored by TSA	[62]
	/	2011	TSA activates the p38MAPK-p53 cascade, which leads to Bax expression, decreased survival in C6 glioma cells	[63]
	/	2013	Promotes apoptosis, as well as augments anti-GB innate immune responses. In vivo, tumor growth of GB mice xenografts was delayed	[64]

	/	2014	TSA can inhibit proliferation, survival, tumor sphere formation, and promote differentiation of U87MG GB cells	[65]	
	/	2015	Significantly reduced proliferation rate and expression of the stem cell markers of GB-derived stem cells, indicating differentiation of the cells	[47]	
	CCNU	2017	Kills GB cells more efficiently than either of its monotherapies	[66]	
	/	2019	Decreased tube formation of U87MG and patient-derived GB CSCs	[19]	
		2022	Impairing GB cell viability and proliferation, cell motility/migration	[22]	
	DZNep/BIX01294	2022	In combinations they exhibited a synergistic effect on U87MG GB cells	[67]	
Entinostat (MS275) <i>Class I and IV</i>	RT	2004	Increased radiosensitivity ( $\gamma$ H2AX foci)	[68]	
	/	2006	Reduced growth of glioma cell lines, mediated by cell cycle arrest and apoptosis. In vivo, propensity to pass the BBB	[69]	
	/	2009	Induced GB-derived stem-like cells to differentiate, become apoptotic and not grow as neurospheres / initiate tumor xenografts	[70]	
	DOX	2011	Chemotherapy-induced apoptosis increased	[71]	
	RT	2015	Radiosensitization	[14]	
	/	2019	Decreased tube formation of U87MG and patient-derived GB CSCs	[19]	
	MEKi	2022	Combination: more effective at reducing the GB stem-like cell markers	[72]	
MC1568 <i>Class IIa</i>	/	2019	Decreased tube formation of U87MG and patient-derived GB CSCs	[19]	
MPT0B291 <i>HDAC 6,2</i>	/	2020	Reduced cell viability, increased cell death and G1-phase cell cycle arrest. In vivo, therapy reduced tumor volume	[73]	
	/	2021	More effective in blocking homologous recombination repair in GB cells. Reduced the growth of both TMZ-sensitive and resistant cells and prolonged survival in GB mouse model	[74]	
	Quisinostat (JNJ-26481585) <i>HDAC 1,6,9</i>	/	2014	Most consistent in vivo activity signals observed in GB and T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia xenografts	[75]
		AuNP	2021	Injectable hydrogel: successfully inhibited in vivo tumor growth	[76]
CKD5 <i>pan HDACi</i>	/	2017	Cytotoxic effects > SAHA and TSA, induced apoptosis, anti-proliferative activity and cell cycle arrest at G2/M-phase. Reduced tumor volume and prolonged the survival in vivo > TSA	[77]	
Sahaquine <i>HDAC6</i>	TMZ	2018	Reduces the viability and invasiveness of GB tumoroids, as well as brain tumor stem cells. These effects are augmented upon combined therapy	[78]	
Abexinostat (PCI-24781, CRA-024781) <i>HDAC 1,2</i>	LSD1 inhibitor	2011	LSD1 and HDACs cooperate to regulate key apoptotic pathways in GB	[8]	
	/	2014	Attenuated cell proliferation / increased apoptosis by down-regulating EZH2, which promoted c-myc-driven apoptosis by suppressing PI3K/Akt/mTOR	[79]	
	TMZ	2021	Works synergistically with TMZ	[80]	
4-phenylbutyrate (4-PBA) <i>pan HDACi</i>	/	2004	4-BPA results in inhibition of cell growth. Modulates glial fibrillary acidic protein and connexin 43 expression, enhances gap-junction communication	[81]	
	/	2008	GB cell lines: induced apoptosis in a dose- and time-dependent manner. All cell lines displayed unique phenotypic responses and differentiation patterns	[60]	
	GEF/VAN	2011	Combined: enhanced cell killing and reduced clonogenic survival	[82]	
	/	2016	Inhibited cell growth and proliferation	[83]	
Sodium Butyrate (SB)	/	2001	Intratumoral infusion prolonged the survival of rats with intracerebral C6 tumors without detectable toxicity	[84]	
	/	2001	Induce apoptosis through an increase in Bad protein in human glioma cells	[57]	
	2DDG	2008	Combination therapy: apoptosis in brain cancer cells (p53-independent). HDACi upregulate p21, which is blocked by concomitant 2DDG	[59]	
	/	2018	Induced senescence and inhibits the invasiveness of GB cells	[85]	
	Quercetin	2019	Inhibited protective autophagy to enhance apoptosis in GB cells	[86]	
	Curcuminoids	2021	Synergistically reduced the viability of GB cells inducing apoptosis and cell cycle arrest. Restored Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin pathway antagonists gene expression	[87]	
	2-DG analogs	2021	Synergistic cytotoxic effects in GB U87MG and U-251 cells	[88]	
Tubastatin A <i>HDAC6</i>	Celecoxib	2017	Synergistic antitumor effects in CAL 27 and SACC-83 cells, mediated by activating the PTEN/AKT signaling pathway	[89]	
	/	2019	Increased levels of DNA mismatch repair proteins MSH2 and MSH6 in TMZ-resistant GB cells. Decreased MGMT expression in TMZ-resistant GB cells	[90]	
	TMZ	2019	Enhanced TMZ-induced apoptosis + reversed malignant phenotype of GB cells	[91]	
	/	2020	Higher target specificity and antitumor activity compared to vorinostat	[92]	
Tubacin <i>HDAC6</i>	/	2018	Suppressed glioma cell growth and drug resistance by autophagic suppression	[93]	
Dacinostat	MG132%	2008	Combined: synergism of apoptosis induction in U251 glioma cells	[29]	

(LAQ824)	2DDG	2008	Combined: induced strong apoptosis in brain cancer cells in a p53-independent manner	[59]
Ricolinostat (ACY-1215) <i>HDAC6</i>	/	2015	U87MG cell growth was significantly inhibited. HDAC6 increased GB growth through attenuating transforming growth factor $\beta$ (TGF $\beta$ ) receptor signaling	[94]
	/	2019	Increased levels of DNA mismatch repair proteins MSH2 and MSH6 in TMZ-resistant GB cells. Decreased MGMT expression in TMZ-resistant GB cells	[90]
	/	2020	Decreased JNK phosphorylation, preceding its suppression of glioma cell growth, resulting from suppression of MAPK kinase 7	[95]
CAY10603 <i>HDAC6</i>	/	2020	MAPK kinase 7 expression and JNK/c-Jun activities were suppressed in U87MG xenograft mice	[95]
	/	2019	Increased levels of DNA mismatch repair proteins MSH2 and MSH6 in TMZ-resistant GB cells. Decreased MGMT expression in TMZ-resistant GB cells	[90]
CUDC101 <i>pan HDACi</i>	Erlotinib	2016	Inhibited proliferation of erlotinib-resistant GB cells, partially restored their sensitivity to erlotinib	[96]
A452 <i>HDAC6</i>	/	2019	Increased levels of DNA mismatch repair proteins MSH2 and MSH6 in TMZ-resistant GB cells. Decreased MGMT expression in TMZ-resistant GB cells	[90]
MC2129 HDAC Class I/IIb	/	2019	Stronger cytotoxic and antiproliferative effect compared to SAHA (cell cycle arrest in the G2/M-phase)	[97]
Mocetinostat (MGCD0103) <i>HDAC1/2</i>	/			
MC1746 HDAC Class I/IIb	/	2019	Antiproliferative effects shown in U87MG glioma cells	[97]
Scriptaid	OVT	2015	Synergism in 50% of the patient-derived GSC	[30]
	RT	2015	Sensitized 40% of the cultures. Incubation 24 an 48-hours pre-RT resulted in the best efficacy of combination treatment	[14]
	/	2010	Induction of apoptosis and reduction of glioma cell proliferation through JNK activation and reduction of telomerase activity	[98]
PCI34051 <i>HDAC8</i>	/	2008	No cytotoxicity to U87MG glioma cells. IC50 = 17 $\mu$ M	[99]
Givinostat (ITF2357) <i>pan HDACi</i>	/	2019	Reverted transformed phenotype and counteracted stemness in GB (in vitro and in vivo). Efficiently passed the BBB in mice	[100]
	Autophagy inhibitor	2016	Reduced viability and self-renewal ability of GSC cultures but not in differentiated GB cells and normal mesenchymal human stem cells	[101]
	/	2022	Liposomes: inhibited human GB cell growth in 2D and 3D models	[102]
RGFP109 <i>HDAC 1,3</i>	TMZ	2016	Overcomes TMZ resistance by blocking NF- $\kappa$ B-dependent transcription in GB cells	[103]

/ = monotherapy; 2DDG = 2-deoxy-d-glucose, 4HPR = 4-phenylbutyrate; N-(4-hydroxyphenyl) retinamide); AuNP = gold nanoparticles; BBB = Blood-Brain Barrier; BIX01294 = inhibitor of histone methyltransferase G9a; CCNU = lomustine; DSB = Double-stranded DNA break; CSCs = cancer stem cells; DDR = DNA Damage Response; DOX = Doxorubicin; DZNep = inhibitor of lysine methyltransferase EZH2 (3-deazaneplanocin A); GB = glioblastoma; CED = convection enhanced delivery; GEF = Gefinitib; GSC = glioma stem cell; HDAC(i) = Histone deacetylase (inhibitor); HIRT = Heavy ion radiotherapy; JAK/STAT = Janus kinase signal transducer and activator of transcription pathways; JNK = Jun N-terminal kinase; LDH = Lactate dehydrogenase; LW = Lophophora williamsii extract; MAPK = Mitogen-activated protein kinase; MEKi = MAPK/ERK kinase inhibitor (TAK-733 or trametinib); MGMT = O<sup>6</sup> methylguanine DNA methyltransferase; NA = Not applicable; OLA = Olaparib; OS = overall survival; OVT= Oncolytic viral therapy; PAN = Panobinostat; PDX = patient-derived xenograft; PEM = Pembrolizumab; TMZ = Temozolomide; TUB = Tubacin; RT = Radiotherapy; VAN = Vandenatib. \* fusion molecule of an alkylator, bendamustine, and vorinostat; & DNA methylation inhibitor; % = proteasome inhibitor.

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