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LATE-STAGE LEAD DIVERSIFICATION MICROSOMAL SCREEN



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#### $M {\rm ETABOLIC} \ S {\rm TABILITY}$

## Comparison of metabolic lability in recombinant human P450 enzymes between drugs and their fluorinated analogs

Compound	Enzyme	CL <sub>int</sub> (µl/min		
		Parent Drug	Fluorinated Analog	Stability Factor
Midazolam	CYP3A4	23.4 (0.7)	17.7 (0.7)	1.3
Midazolam	CYP3A5	45.9 (1.0)	15.3 (0.5)	3.0
Ramelteon	CYP1A2	27.3 (6.4)	28.8 (5.1)	0.95
Celecoxib	CYP2C9	3.0 (0.4)	0.78 (0.15)	3.8
Risperidone	CYP2D6	5.6 (0.3)	0.34 (0.37)	16

Values in parentheses are standard errors.

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#### PHOSPHODIESTERASES (PDES)

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#### DESIGN STRATEGY TO PDE2 INHIBITOR 1



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MOLECULAR DOCKING



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DIHEDRAL ANGLE CALCULATION FOR 1



*Figure S-1.* Relative energies from dihedral scan with 1 and its des-methyl analog cmpd Z.

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#### UHPLC-UV CHROMATOGRAMS OF COMPOUND 1 INCUBATION EXTRACTS FROM EXPRESSED HUMAN P450 ENZYMES



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#### UHPLC-UV CHROMATOGRAMS OF COMPOUND 1 INCUBATION EXTRACTS FROM LIVER MICROSOMES OF VARIOUS SPECIES



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#### $Metabolism \ of \ 1 \ in \ Monkey \ Liver \ Microsomes$



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IN VITRO PDE2 POTENCY AND ABSORPTION, DISTRIBUTION, METABOLISM, AND EXCRETION (ADME) CHARACTERISTICS OF ANALOGUES OBTAINED THROUGH C-H OXIDATION



**2** (PF-06815189): R<sub>1</sub> = OH, R<sub>2</sub> = H **5**: R<sub>1</sub> = H, R<sub>2</sub> = OH **6**: R<sub>1</sub> = R<sub>2</sub> = OH

	2	5	6
clogP/TPSA <sup>a</sup>	2.0/101	2.0/101	0.7/121
PDE2 IC <sub>50</sub> $(nM)^b$	0.4 (5)	6.9 (4)	7.8 (4)
HLM/HHEP <i>CL</i> <sub>int,s</sub> <sup>c</sup> (mL/min/kg)	<8.0/<0.36	<8.0/-	<9.2/-
RRCK $P_{app}^{d}$ (×10 <sup>-6</sup> cm/s)	8	17	5

<sup>*a*</sup>Topological polar surface area. <sup>*b*</sup>Number of replicates in parentheses. <sup>*c*</sup>Intrinsic scaled clearance. <sup>*d*</sup>Apparent passive permeability in the Ralph Russ Canine Kidney cell line.<sup>19</sup>

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Synthesis of 1 and Biocatalytic Oxidation to 2



Reagents and conditions: (a)  $Br_2$ , DMF, 0–25 °C, 65%; (b)  $POCl_3$ ,  $NEt_3$ , toluene, reflux; (c) pyrrolidine,  $NEt_3$ ,  $CH_2Cl_2$ , 0–25 °C, 77%, two steps; (d)  $Pd(dppf)Cl_2 \cdot CH_2Cl_2$ , Na2CO3, dioxane/H<sub>2</sub>O, 110 °C, 62%; (e) 1 M HCl, THF, reflux, 86%; (f) S. aerocolonigenes ATCC 39243 in Iowa medium, DMSO, 30 °C, 7 days, 20%.

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#### Synthesis of candidtate 2

OEt

EtO

2

HN

h)

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a)

EtO

OH

N-N

 $H_2N$ 

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12

CF3



OEt

CF<sub>3</sub>

Br 13

d), e), f)

14

OEt

N-N

17

NH<sub>2</sub>CI

Ν

ΗN

OEt b)

g)

c)

**IN-VIVO ACTIVITY** 



≻Administration of compound 2 significantly reduced histamine-induced extravasation of Evan's Blue dye in guinea pig skin (\*p < 0.05, \*\*p <0.01, \*\*\*p < 0.005).</p>

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#### $PRECLINICAL \ PHARMACOKINETICS \ OF \ COMPOUND \ 2$

	CL <sub>p</sub> <sup>b</sup> (mL/min/kg)	V <sub>ss</sub> <sup>c</sup> (L/kg)	$\begin{pmatrix}t_{1/2}\\(\mathrm{h})\end{pmatrix}^d$	%F <sup>e</sup>	% renal clearance <sup>f</sup>
rat	28	1.5	1.2	50	22
dog	1.3	0.4	4.8	79	48
NHP	4.0	0.8	3.6	61	26

 ${}^{a}N = 2$  animals/dose in all studies.  ${}^{b}Observed$  plasma clearance.  ${}^{c}Steady$ -state volume of distribution.  ${}^{d}Half$ -life.  ${}^{e}Bioavailability.$  ${}^{f}Percent$  dose recovered in urine (0–24 h).

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### CONCLUSION

- Late-stage functionalization strategy using microsomal oxidation to the PDE2 inhibitor approach improved the drug-likeness of the early **lead 1** (LipE = 5.9 and LiMetE = 1.9) and allowed rapid identification of the potential clinical **candidate 2** (LipE = 7.4 and LipMetE = 2.4)
- A daily dose of only 1.3 mg is required to achieve an average PDE2  $IC_{90}$  coverage over 24 h, reflecting the exquisite drug-like attributes of 2
- Hydroxylation introduced the desired amount of renal clearance, minimizing the risk for clinical victim drug-drug interactions.
- Study highlights the impact of late-stage diversification technologies can have on drug discovery