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**The Study for Mechanism Analyses of
Cytochrome P450 Inhibitors Focused on
Metabolic Interactions of Drug–drug/Drug–
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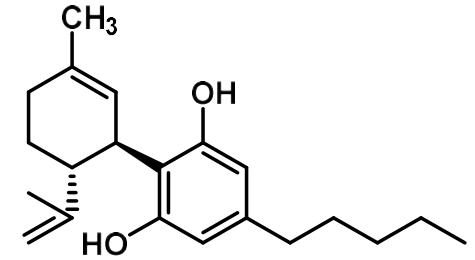
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- **Cannabidiol (CBD)** is one of the major constituents in marijuana.



- **CBD** exhibits several pharmacological effects such as antiepileptic, anxiolytic and antiemetic actions. A medicine made from marijuana extracts containing **CBD** is used for the symptomatic relief of neuropathic pain in multiple sclerosis patients.

Mechoularm R *et al.*, *J. Clin. Pharmacol.*, **42**, 11S-19S (2002)

- **CBD** inhibits various CYP-mediated drug oxidations. In particular, **CBD** more potently inhibits the activity of **CYP1A1** than the other CYP enzymes examined so far. **CBD** is also a mechanism-based inactivator of **CYP1A1**. **CBD** is a potent inhibitor of **CYP2C19**, which is the major enzyme involved in the **CBD** metabolism.

Yamaori S *et al.*, *Biochem. Pharmacol.*, **79**, 1691-1698 (2010)

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- The moieties of **CBD** that contribute to potent inhibition of **CYP1A1** and **CYP2C19** remain unknown.

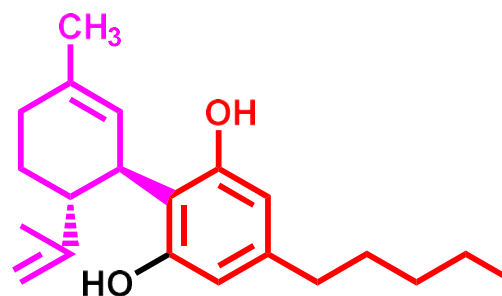
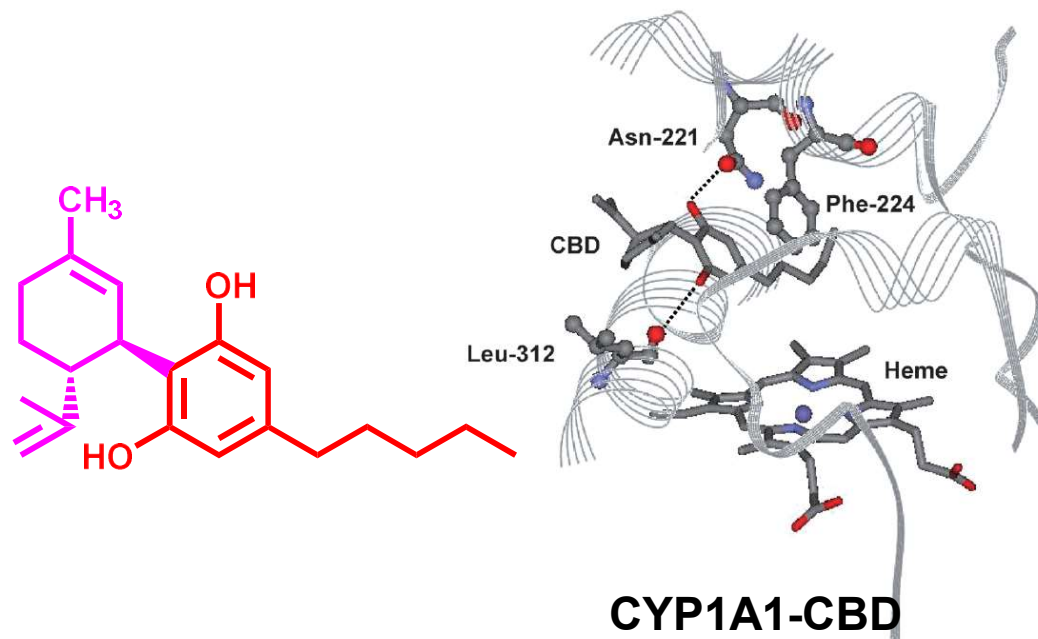


The effects of CBD-related compounds on **CYP1A1** and **CYP2C19** activities were investigated with recombinant CYP enzymes to characterize the structural requirements for potent inhibition by **CBD**.

Structural Requirements for Direct Inhibition of CYP1A1 and CYP2C19 by CBD

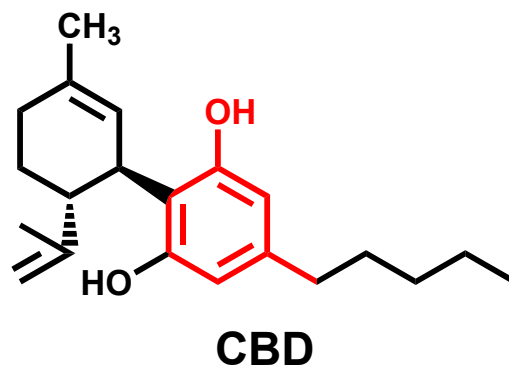
Isoform	Compound	IC ₅₀ (μM)
CYP1A1	CBD	0.355
	Olivetol	13.8
	<i>d</i> -Limonene	> 100
	CBD-2'-monomethyl ether	4.07
	CBD-2',6'-dimethyl ether	23.0
	Cannabidivarin	1.85
	Orcinol	62.9
	Resorcinol	No inhibition
	Δ ⁹ -Tetrahydrocannabinol	10.3
	Cannabielsoin	9.93
CYP2C19	CBD	2.51
	Olivetol	15.3
	<i>d</i> -Limonene	> 50
	CBD-2'-monomethyl ether	1.88
	CBD-2',6'-dimethyl ether	14.8
	Cannabidivarin	3.45
	Resorcinol	No inhibition
Δ ⁹ -Tetrahydrocannabinol	4.35	

All determinations were performed in duplicate.



We characterized that the pentylresorcinol structure in **CBD** is essential for direct inhibition of **CYP1A1** and **CYP2C19** although the whole structure of **CBD** is required for their overall inhibition.

Structural Requirements for CYP1A1 Inactivation by CBD



Compound	IC ₅₀ (μM)			k _{inact} (/min)	K _I (μM)	k _{inact} /K _I (L/mmol/min)
	Preincubation time		B/A			
	0 min (A)	20 min (B)				
CBD	0.671	0.0678	0.101	0.215	0.439	490
Olivetol	11.1	2.60	0.234	0.154	4.66	33.0
<i>d</i> -Limonene	> 100	> 100	–	–	–	–
Pentylbenzene	> 100	> 100	–	–	–	–
CBD-2'-monomethyl ether	4.12	1.90	0.461	0.0638	1.33	48.0
CBD-2',6'-dimethyl ether	29.2	7.68	0.263	0.0643	6.11	10.5
Cannabidivarin	1.64	0.0677	0.0413	0.226	0.623	363
Orcinol	62.3	38.7	0.621	0.0353	84.7	0.417
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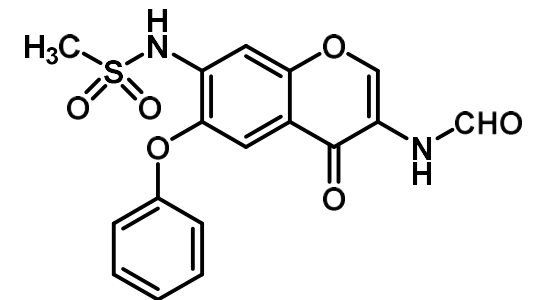
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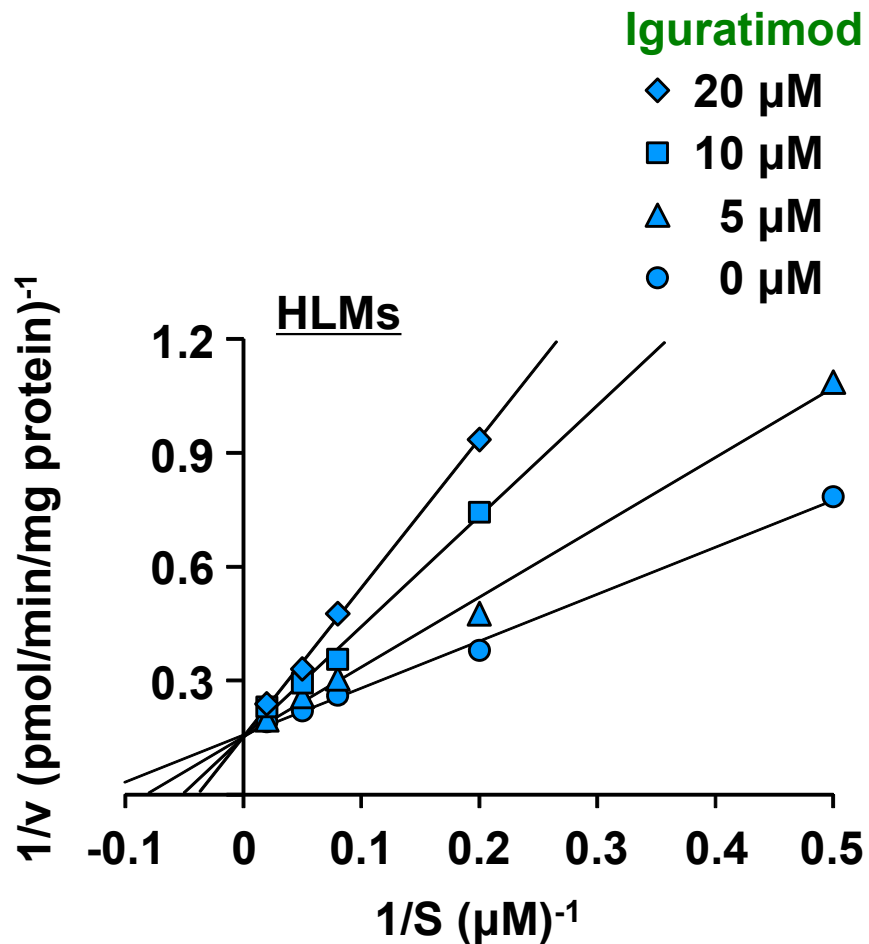
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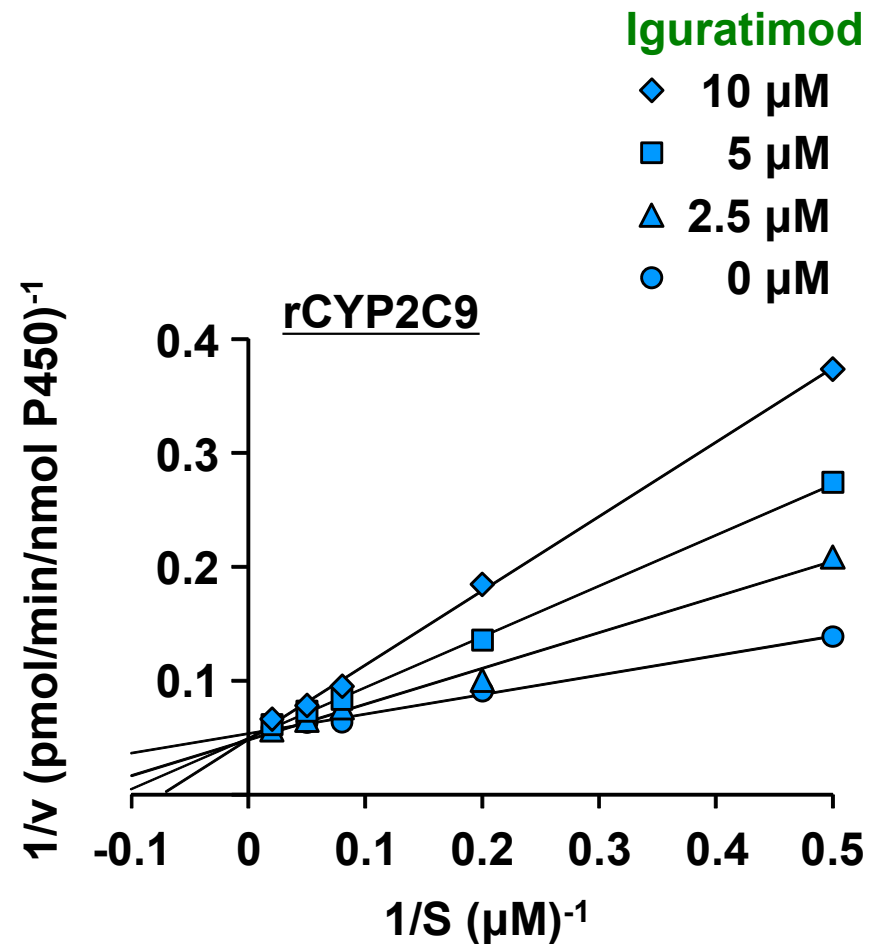


The inhibitory effect of **iguratimod** on **CYP2C9**-mediated **S-warfarin** 7-hydroxylation was examined with recombinant CYP2C9 and human liver microsomes (HLMs).

Inhibition of S-Warfarin 7-Hydroxylation by Iguratimod



$$K_i = 6.74 \mu\text{M}$$



$$K_i = 4.23 \mu\text{M}$$

HLMs and recombinant CYP2C9 (rCYP2C9) were incubated with S-warfarin in the presence of iguratimod. Each point is the mean of duplicate determinations.

Prediction of in Vivo Iguratimod–Warfarin Interaction for CYP2C9

Ratio of AUC with inhibitor to control AUC*

$$\frac{\text{AUC}_{\text{inhibited}}}{\text{AUC}_{\text{control}}} = \frac{1}{\left[\frac{f_{m(\text{CYP2C9})}}{1 + \frac{[\text{I}]_{\text{in vivo}}}{K_i \cdot f_{\text{HLMs}}}} \right] + (1 - f_{m(\text{CYP2C9})})}$$

= 2.3

$f_{m(\text{CYP2C9})} = 0.91$; fraction of metabolism of S-warfarin by CYP2C9*

$[\text{I}]_{\text{in vivo}} = 0.806 \mu\text{M}$; maximum unbound hepatic input concentration of iguratimod**

$K_i = 6.74 \mu\text{M}$; apparent K_i value obtained in this study

$f_{\text{HLMs}} = 0.07$; fraction of iguratimod unbound to liver microsomal proteins**

* Obach RS *et al.*, *J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther.*, **316**, 336-348 (2006)

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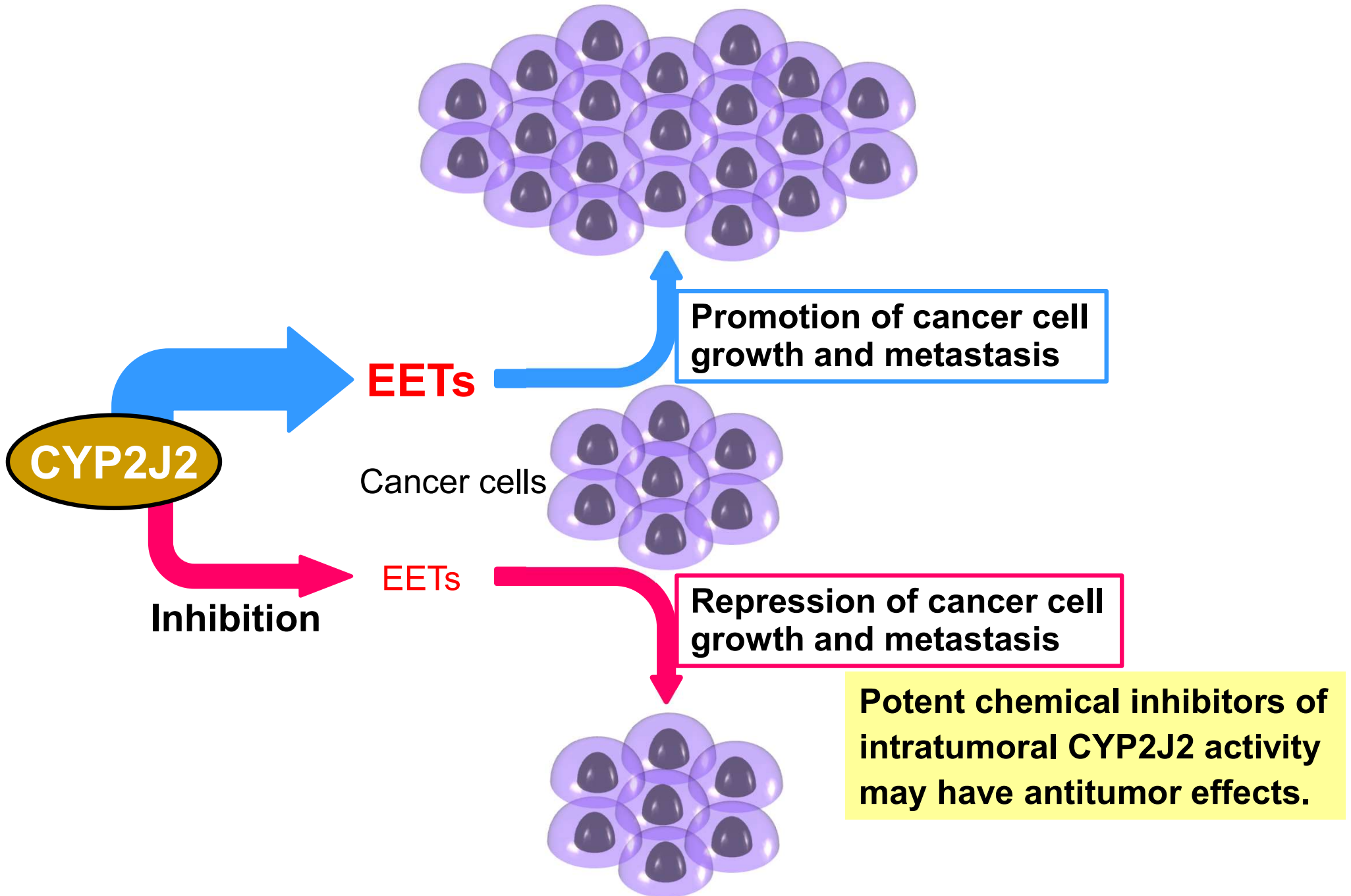
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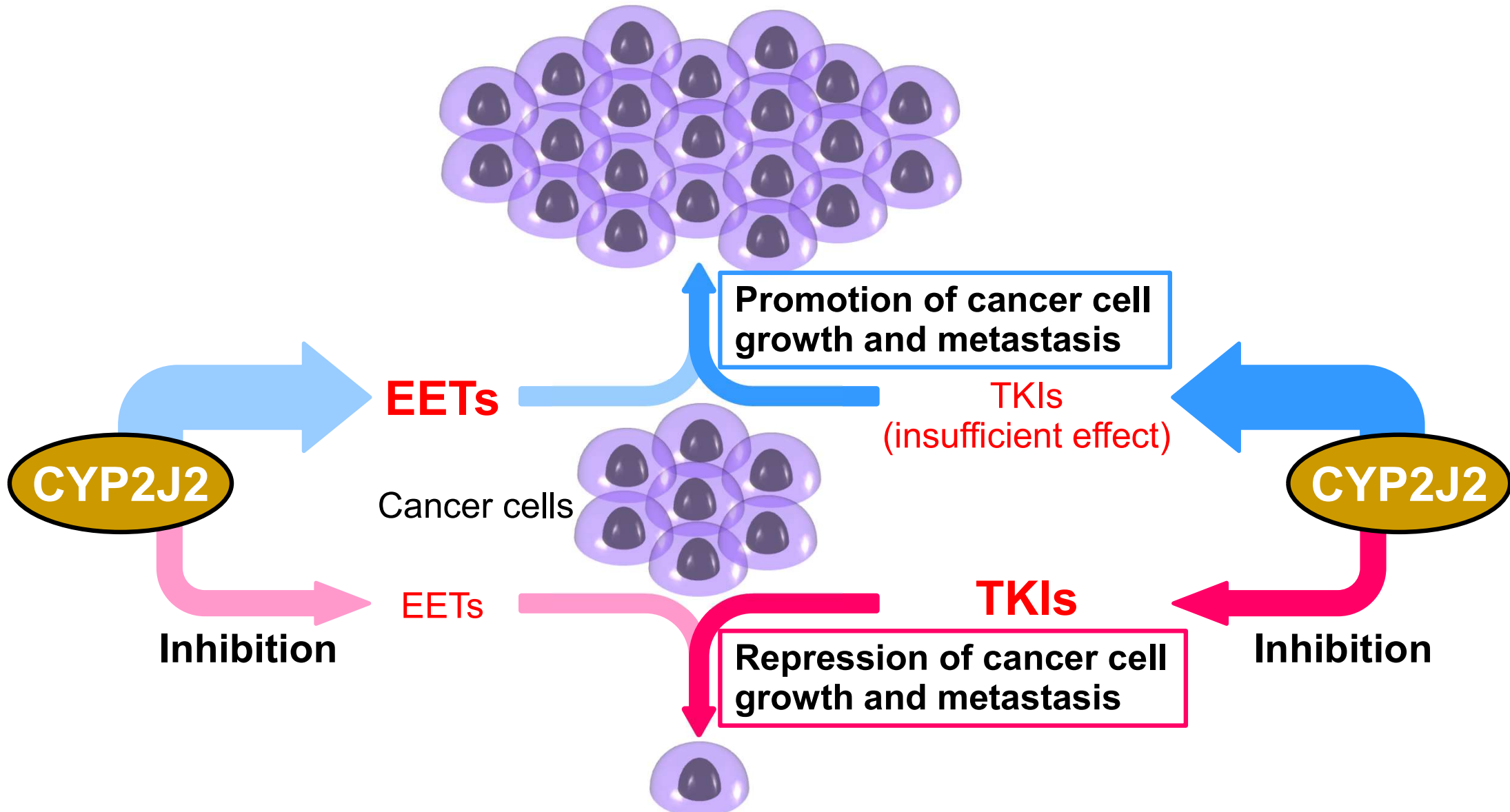
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- **CYP2J2** metabolizes tyrosine kinase inhibitors (TKIs) targeting VEGF receptor, which commonly cause hypertension, one of the major side effects.

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It is possible that potent CYP2J2 inhibitors may contribute not only to repression of EET-induced cancer cell growth and metastasis but also to reduced side effect and potentiated antitumor effect of TKIs.

Purpose of This Study

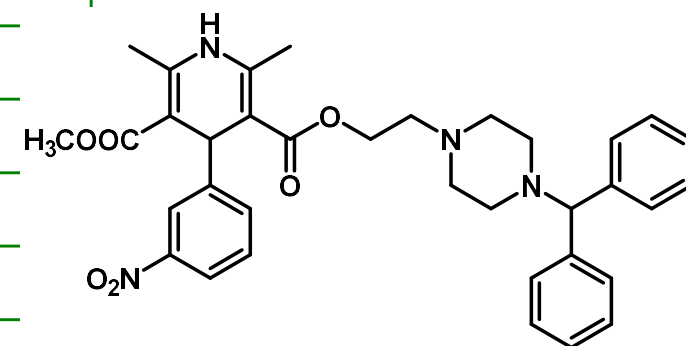
- Although certain antihypertensive drugs including telmisartan inhibit CYP2J2 activity, the inhibition study of many other antihypertensive drugs has not been examined in detail.



Inhibitory effects of **antihypertensive drugs** on **CYP2J2** activity were investigated with recombinant CYP2J2. In this study, dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers, angiotensin II receptor blockers and angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors were used as inhibitors.

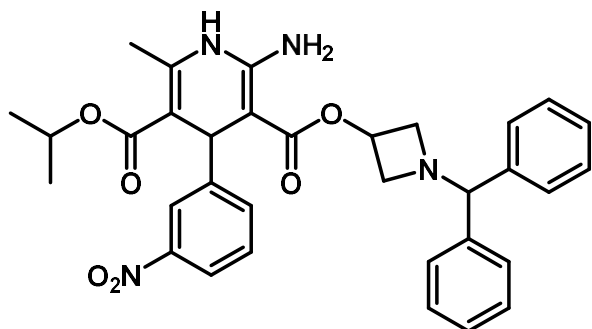
Kinetic Parameters for CYP2J2 Inhibition by Antihypertensive Drugs

Inhibitor	IC ₅₀ (μM)	K _i (μM)	Inhibition mode
Amlodipine	5.07 ± 0.54	2.58 ± 0.23	Mixed
Azelnidipine	0.137 ± 0.014	0.0671 ± 0.0029	Competitive
Barnidipine	2.87 ± 0.30	0.651 ± 0.036	Competitive
Benidipine	2.16 ± 0.22	0.435 ± 0.012	Competitive
Cilnidipine	1.09 ± 0.03	0.279 ± 0.018	Competitive
Efonidipine	1.45 ± 0.03	0.315 ± 0.019	Competitive
Felodipine	2.78 ± 0.36	1.23 ± 0.15	Mixed
Manidipine	0.116 ± 0.017	0.0294 ± 0.0023	Competitive
Nicardipine	2.36 ± 0.35	0.566 ± 0.082	Competitive
Nifedipine	7.34 ± 0.05	2.76 ± 0.29	Mixed
Nilvadipine	4.55 ± 0.67	1.66 ± 0.03	Mixed
Nisoldipine	6.56 ± 0.34	2.38 ± 0.29	Mixed
Nitrendipine	1.45 ± 0.16	0.689 ± 0.104	Mixed
Telmisartan	2.04 ± 0.23	0.345 ± 0.002	Competitive
Delapril	9.01 ± 0.49	2.63 ± 0.13	Competitive
Quinapril	9.19 ± 0.72	2.55 ± 0.11	Competitive

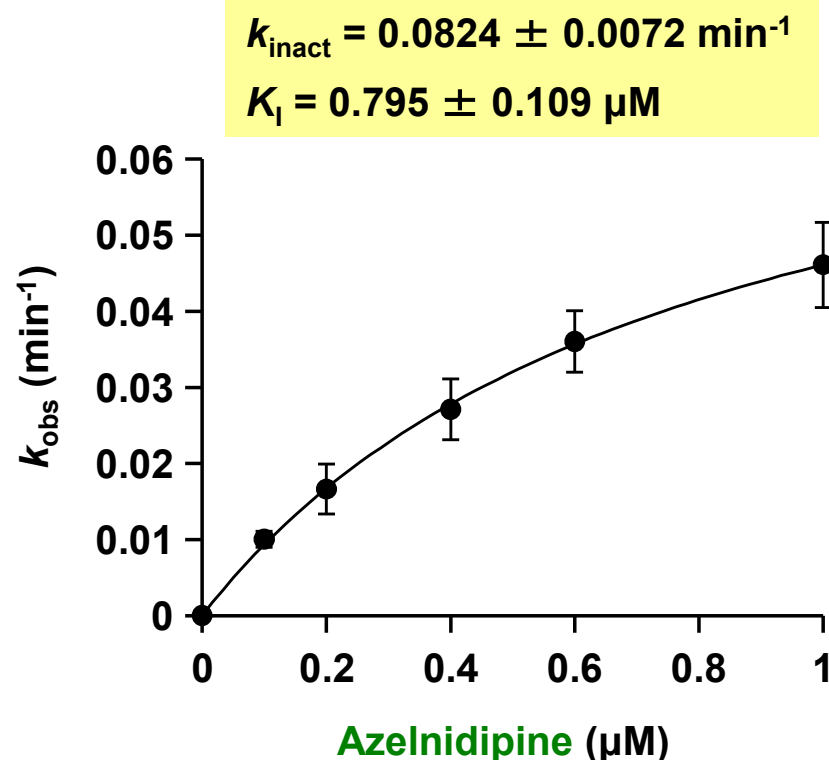
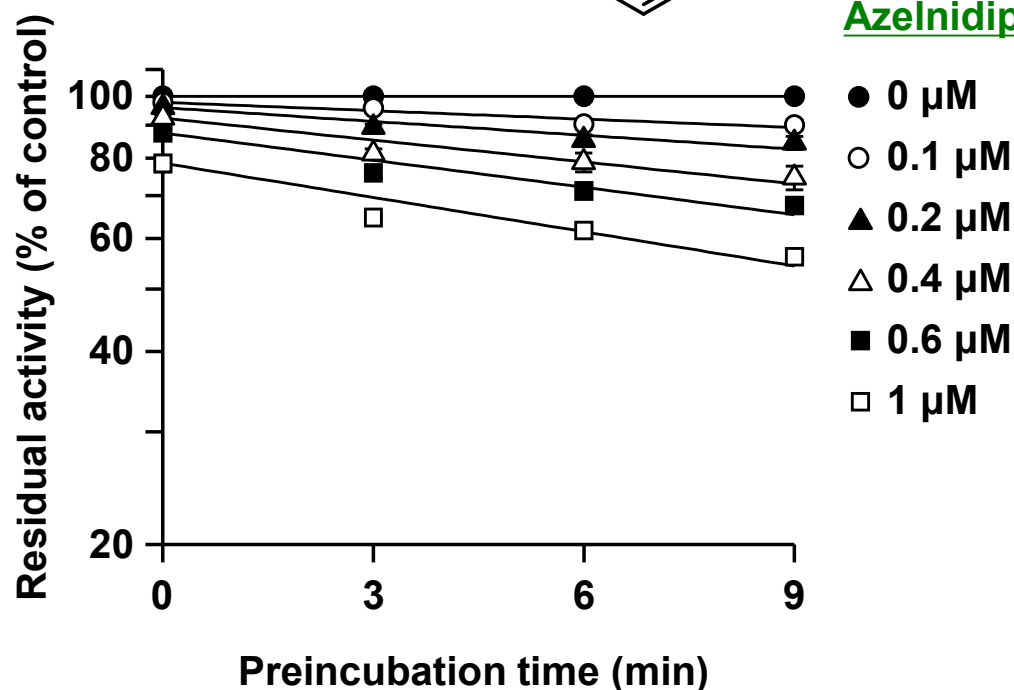


Values are represented as mean ± S.D. of triplicate determinations.

Inactivation of CYP2J2 Activity by Azelnidipine



Azelnidipine



Recombinant human CYP2J2 was preincubated with azelnidipine in the presence of NADPH for up to 9 min. Aliquot was removed from the preincubation mixture at the indicated time points and diluted for measurement of the residual activity. Each point and bar represent mean \pm S.D. of triplicate determinations. k_{inact} ; Maximal inactivation rate constant, K_i ; Half-maximal inhibitory concentration.

We characterized that **manidipine** is a potent reversible inhibitor and **azelnidipine** is a potent mechanism-based inactivator of **CYP2J2**.

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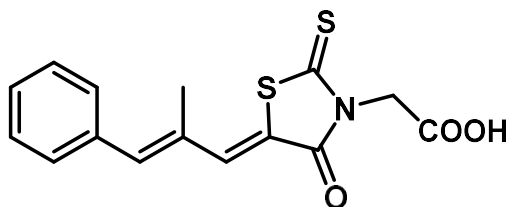
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- **CYP4A11** is capable of catalyzing ω -hydroxylation of lauric acid and arachidonic acid in the liver and kidneys.

Powell PK *et al.*, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.*, **335**, 219-226 (1996)
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Amet Y *et al.*, *Biochem. Pharmacol.*, **53**, 765-771 (1997)
Lasker JM *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.*, **275**, 4118-4126 (2000)

- **CYP4A11** is also involved in the metabolism of some marketed drugs, such as **epalrestat**, febuxostat and tofogliflozin.



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Mukoyoshi M *et al.*, *Xenobiotica*, **38**, 496-510 (2008)
Yamane M *et al.*, *Xenobiotica*, **45**, 230-238 (2015)

- Although there are some CYP4 inhibitors, such as HET0016 and 17-octadecynoic acid (17-ODYA), no chemical inhibitors entirely selective for **CYP4A11** have yet been found.
- Effects of **epalrestat** on catalytic activities of various human CYP isoforms including **CYP4A11** remain unclear.

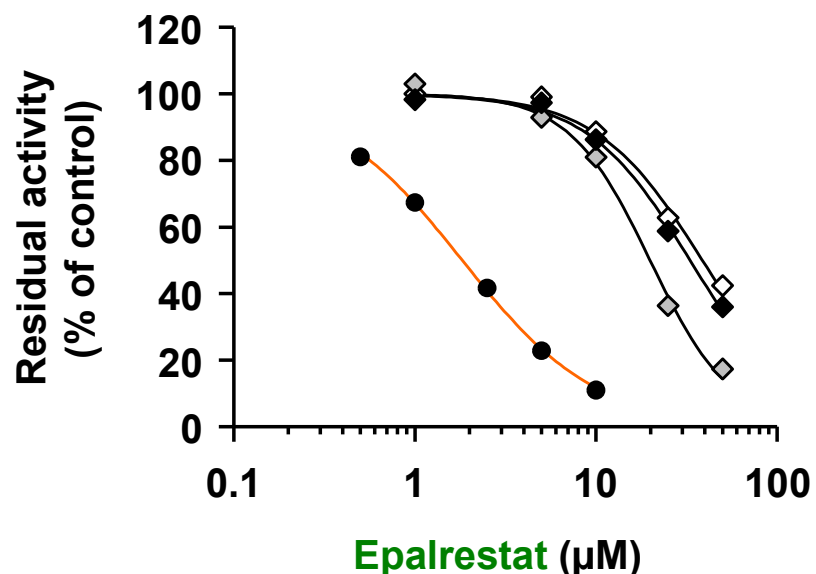


The selectivity of **CYP4A11** inhibition by **epalrestat** was examined with recombinant CYP enzymes and HLMs.

Effects of Epalrestat on Various P450-mediated Drug Oxidations

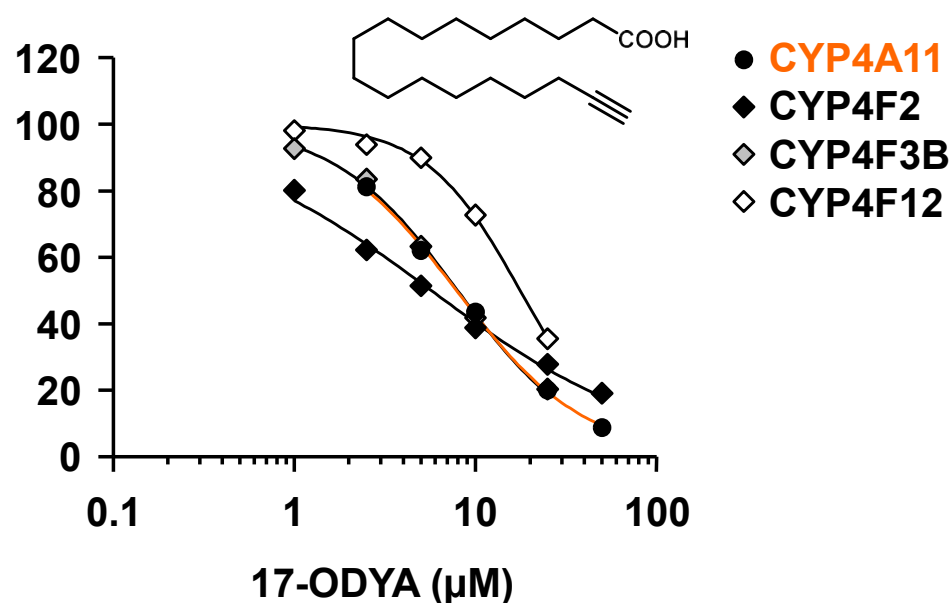
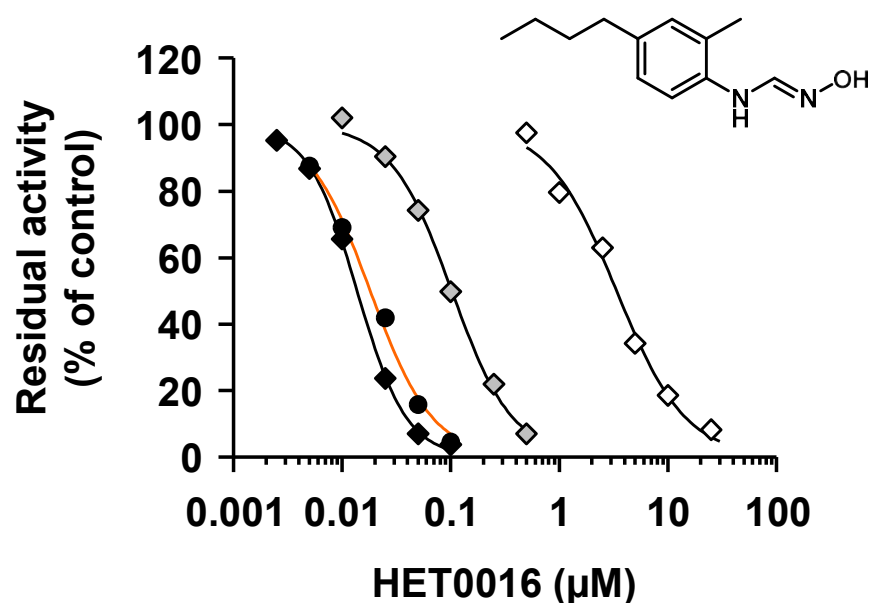
Enzyme	Reaction	Substrate concn. (μM)	IC_{50} (μM)
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CYP1A2	Ethoxyresorufin <i>O</i> -deethylation	0.15	No inhibition
CYP1B1	Ethoxyresorufin <i>O</i> -deethylation	0.15	No inhibition
CYP2A6	Coumarin 7-hydroxylation	2.5	> 50
CYP2B6	Benzoxymresorufin <i>O</i> -debenzylation	0.6	No inhibition
CYP2C8	Dibenzylfluorescein <i>O</i> -debenzylation	0.4	32.8
CYP2C9	S-Warfarin 7-hydroxylation	3	19.8
CYP2C19	<i>O</i> -Methylfluorescein <i>O</i> -demethylation	4	> 50
CYP2D6	Dextromethorphan <i>O</i> -demethylation	0.6	No inhibition
CYP2E1	Chlorzoxazone 6-hydroxylation	200	No inhibition
CYP2J2	Luciferin-2J2/4F12 <i>O</i> -dealkylation	3	> 50
CYP3A4	Diltiazem <i>N</i> -demethylation	10	No inhibition
CYP3A5	Diltiazem <i>N</i> -demethylation	50	> 50
CYP4A11	Luciferin-4A <i>O</i> -demethylation	50	1.82
CYP4F2	Luciferin-4F2/3 <i>O</i> -dealkylation	5	35.9
CYP4F3B	Luciferin-4F2/3 <i>O</i> -dealkylation	3	19.9
CYP4F12	Luciferin-4F12 <i>O</i> -dealkylation	3	38.7
HLMs	Ethoxyresorufin <i>O</i> -deethylation	0.5	No inhibition
HLMs	S-Warfarin 7-hydroxylation	6	23.7
HLMs	S-Mephenytoin 4'-hydroxylation	100	> 50
HLMs	Dextromethorphan <i>O</i> -demethylation	2.5	No inhibition
HLMs	Diltiazem <i>N</i> -demethylation	30	No inhibition
HLMs	Luciferin-4A <i>O</i> -demethylation	50	0.913

Inhibitory Effects of Epalrestat and CYP4 Inhibitors on CYP4A/4F Activities



Isoform	IC ₅₀ (µM)		
	Epalrestat	HET0016	17-ODYA
CYP4A11	1.82 (1.00)	0.0182 (1.00)	7.88 (1.00)
CYP4F2	35.9 (19.7)	0.0137 (0.753)	5.70 (0.723)
CYP4F3B	19.9 (10.9)	0.102 (5.60)	7.97 (1.01)
CYP4F12	38.7 (21.3)	3.36 (185)	17.7 (2.25)

The numbers in parentheses indicate ratios of IC₅₀ values for CYP4F isoforms relative to the corresponding IC₅₀ values for CYP4A11.



We characterized that **epalrestat** is the most selective **CYP4A11** inhibitor among the chemical inhibitors reported so far.

Topics

● Structural requirements for potent inhibition of CYP1A1 by cannabidiol

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● Characterization of epalrestat as a highly selective inhibitor of CYP4A11

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● Characterization of **sesamin** as a mechanism-based inactivator of **CYP4F2**

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Background

- **CYP4F2** is a physiologically important enzyme that catalyzes ω -hydroxylation of arachidonic acid and leukotriene B₄ in the liver and kidneys.

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- 20-Hydroxyeicosatetraenoic acid (20-HETE) produced from arachidonic acid by **CYP4F2** acts as a vasoconstrictor in renal artery.

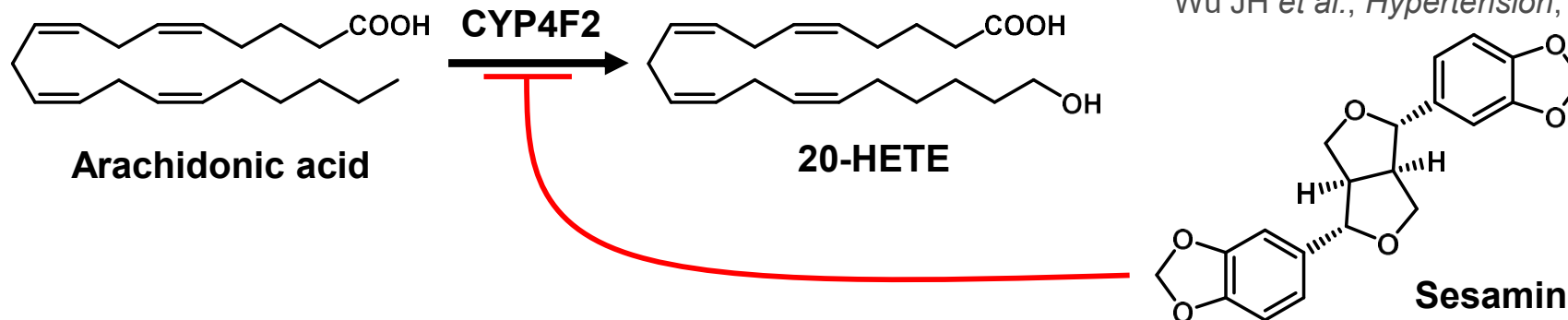
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- **Sesamin**, the major lignan in sesame seeds, has an antihypertensive effect, which is suggested to be due to inhibition of **CYP4F2**-mediated 20-HETE synthesis.

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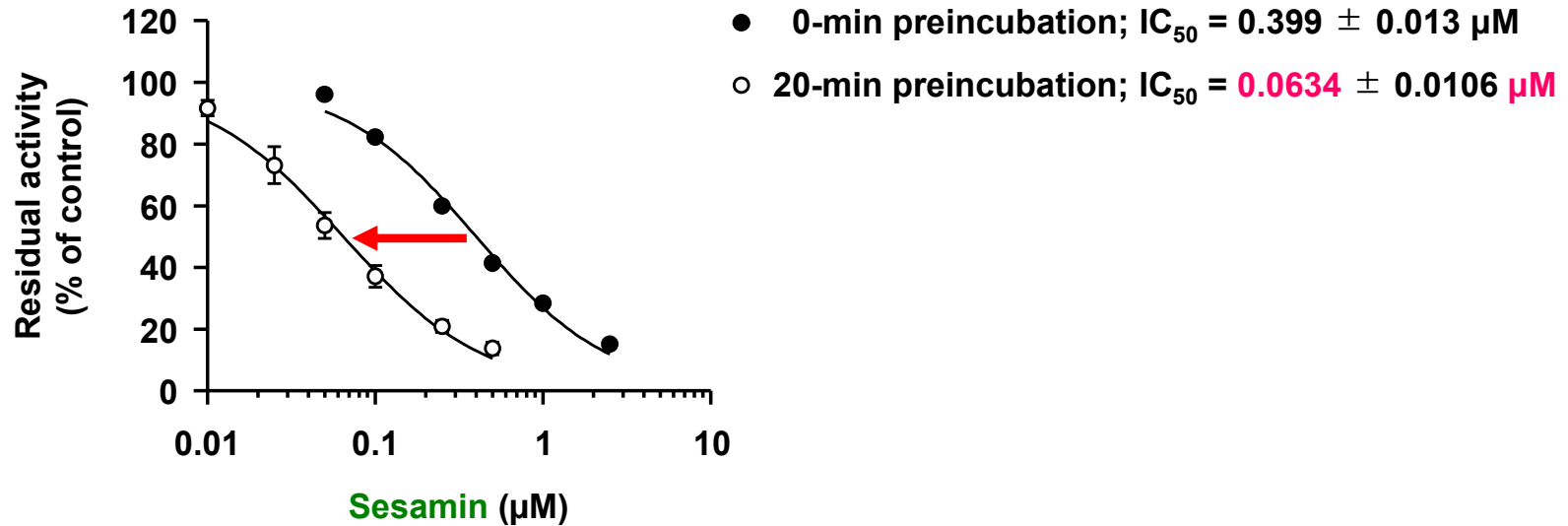


- The detailed mechanism underlying **CYP4F2** inhibition by **sesamin** is unknown.

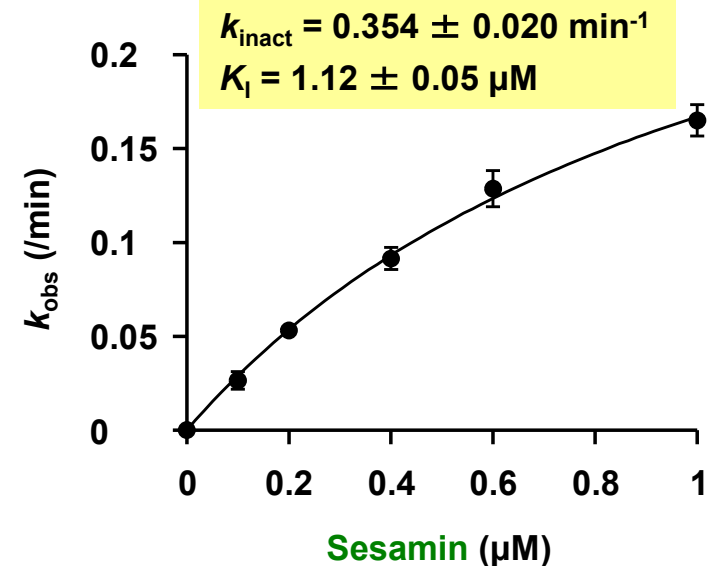
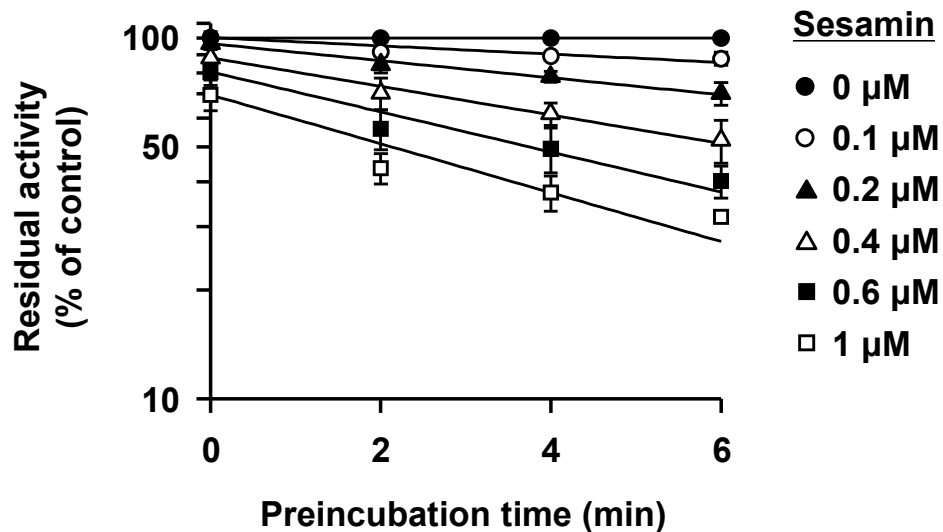


The effect of **sesamin** on **CYP4F2** activity was examined with recombinant CYP4F2.

Inactivation of CYP4F2 Activity by Sesamin



Recombinant human CYP4F2 was preincubated with sesamin in the presence of NADPH for 0 min and 20 min. Incubations were conducted after the addition of Luciferin-4F2/3. Each point and bar represent mean \pm S.D. of triplicate determinations.



Recombinant human CYP4F2 was preincubated with sesamin in the presence of NADPH for up to 6 min. Aliquot was removed from the preincubation

We characterized that **sesamin** is a mechanism-based inactivator of **CYP4F2**.

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