

Safety assessment of topically administered pharmaceuticals with special emphasis on the minipig



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Relevance of Dermatotoxicology



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- Accidental occupational or environmental exposure
 - Chemicals
 - UV light
- Intentional application to skin
 - Cosmetics
 - Consumer products
 - Drugs



Dermal safety testing



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- **Skin absorption**
 - in vitro (OECD 428)
 - In vivo (OECD 427)
- **Skin irritation / corrosion**
 - In vitro (OECD 430, 431, 435)
 - In vivo (OECD 404)
- **Skin sensitization**
 - Maximisation test / Buehler test in guinea pigs (OECD 406)
 - Local lymph node assay in mice (OECD 429)
- **Dermal toxicity, single administration** (OECD 402, 434)
- **Dermal toxicity, repeated administration** (OECD 410, 411)
- **Phototoxicity / photosensitization**
 - Photoirritation (OECD 432)
 - Photocarcinogenicity (enhancement of UV-induced skin carcinogenesis)

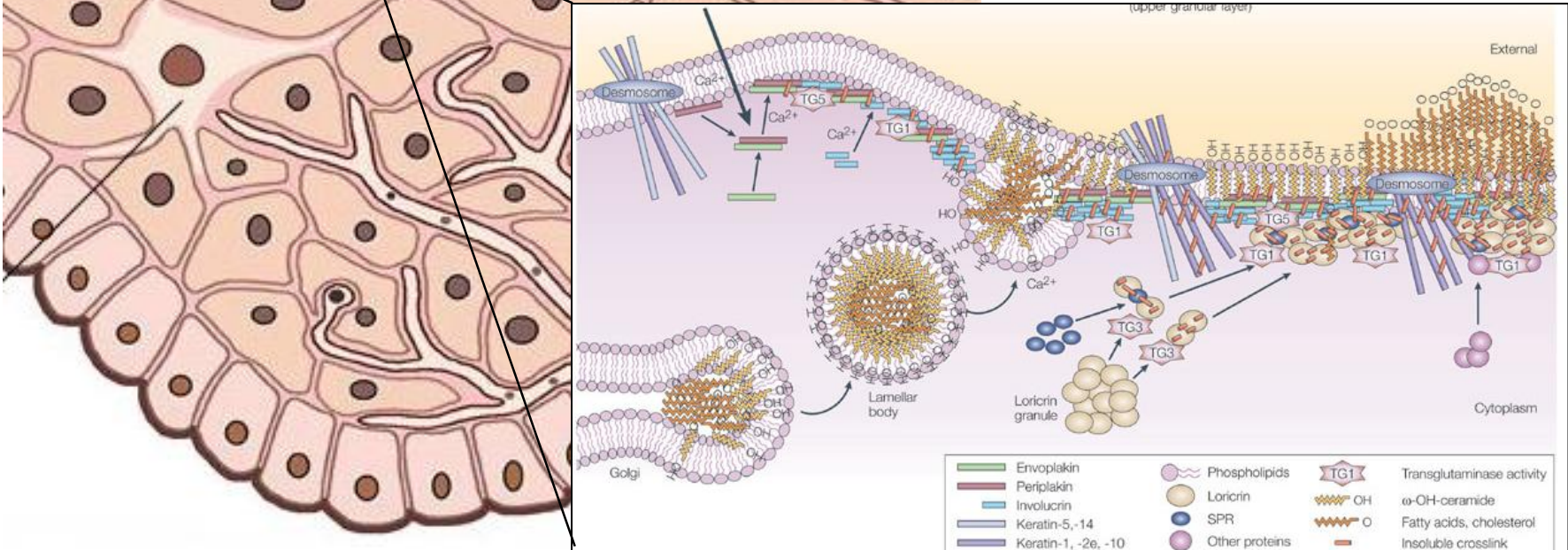
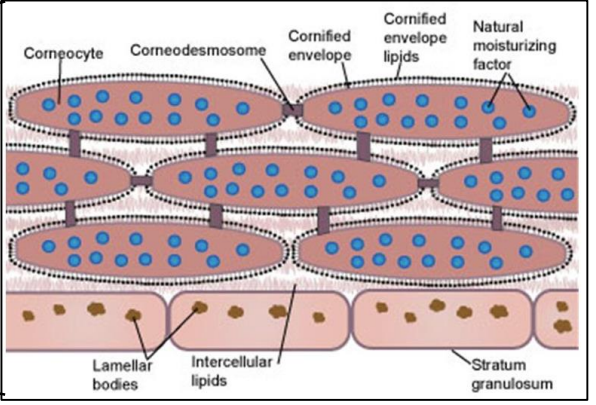
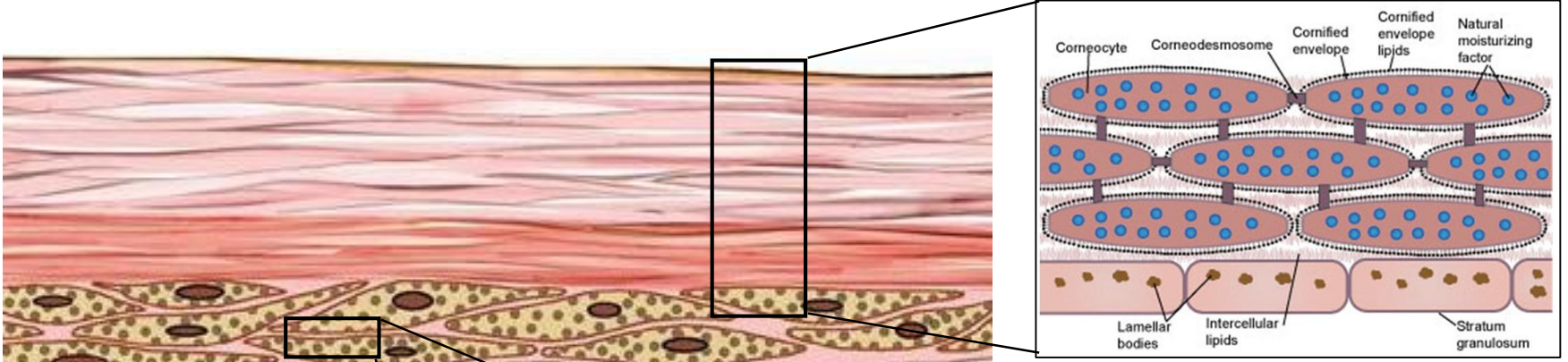
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- Ability of the API to leave its vehicle and penetrate into the epidermis (or beyond)
- Stratum corneum most limiting to absorption
 - One of the most important functions of the epidermis is to limit free passage of fluids and electrolytes from the underlying tissue to the environment
 - Acquired as an evolutionary adaptation for survival in non-aquatic conditions
 - Limits entry of harmful chemicals into the body
 - K_{WO} of Stratum corneum = $1.1 \cdot 10^7$ cm/sec
 - K_{WO} of Dermis = $1.0 \cdot 10^4$ cm/sec
- Water content depends on air humidity; Stratum corneum can absorb up to 6 times its own weight in water and will increase its thickness 3 times
- Diffusion through the Stratum corneum is purely passive

Stratum corneum



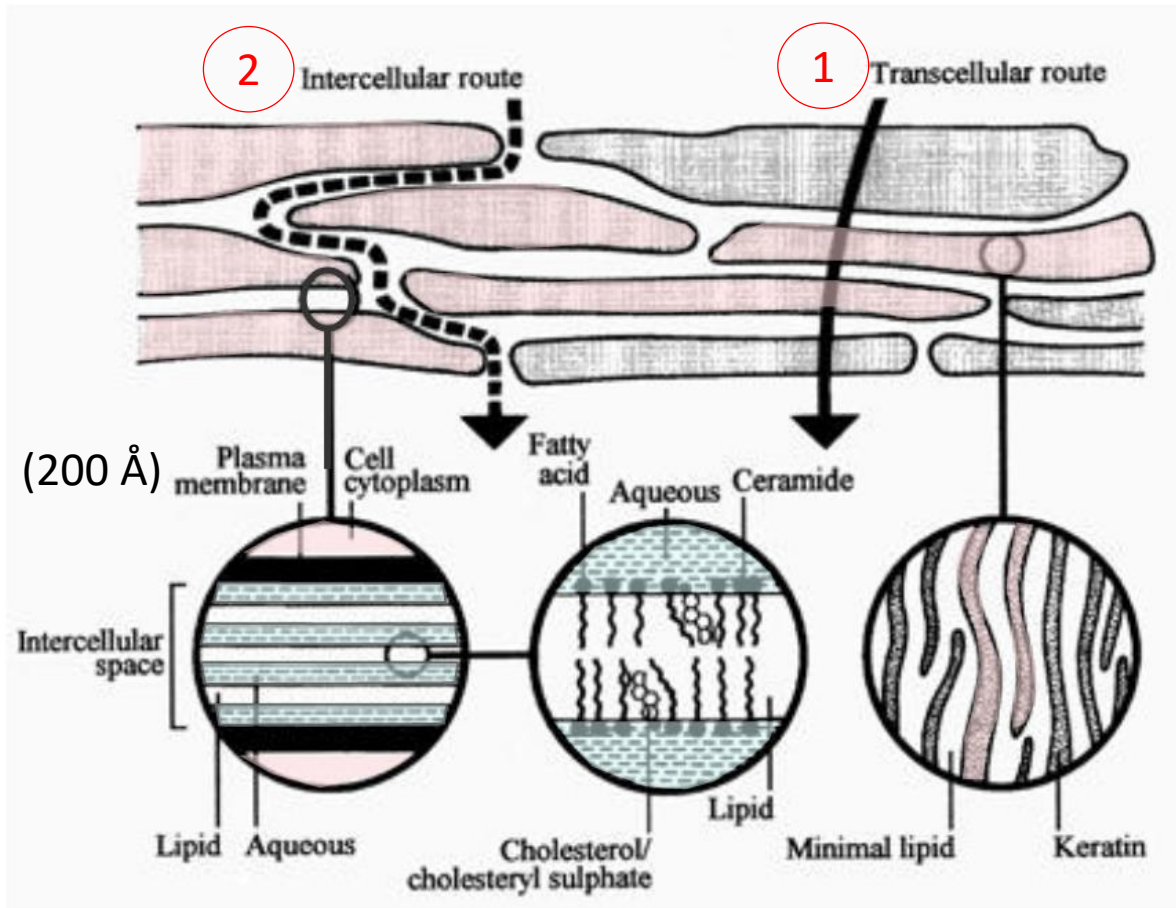
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40% water
40% protein
20% lipid

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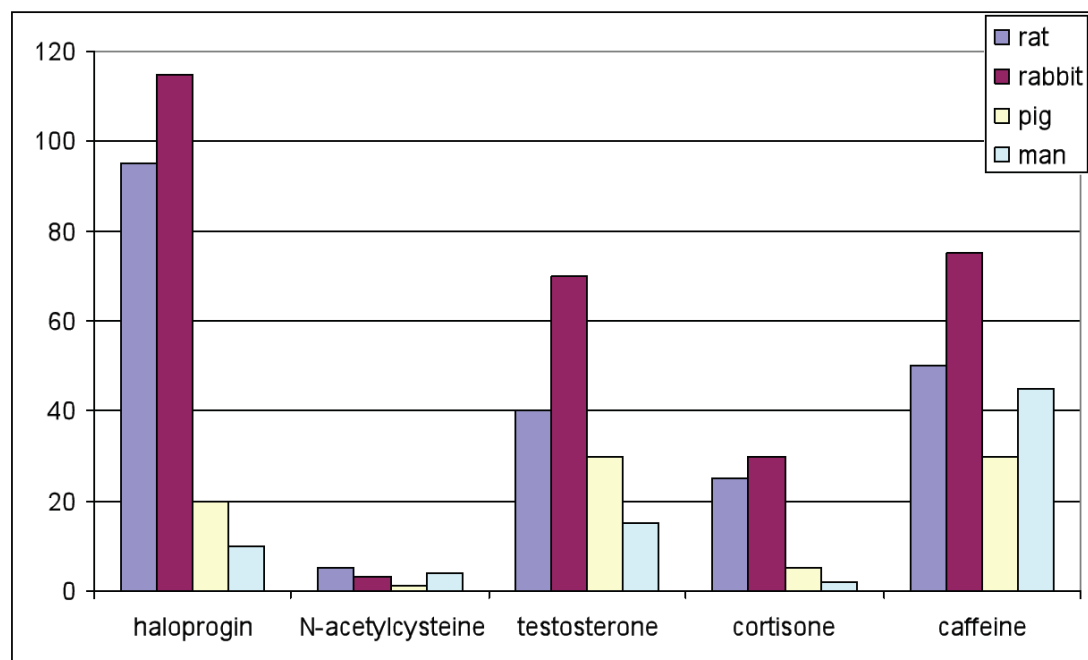
Diffusion through pilosebaceous units and sweat glands

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- Air humidity
- Mass
- Concentration
- Time of exposure
- Exposed surface area
- Vehicle
- Skin condition
- Anatomy (species)

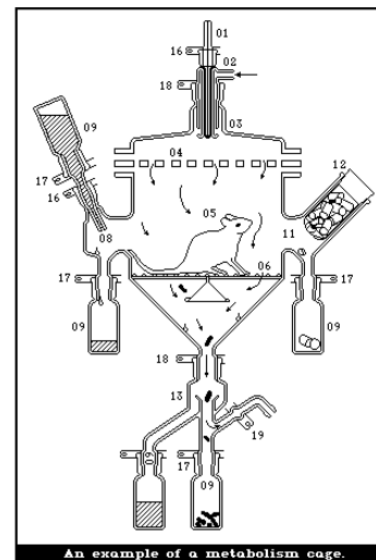
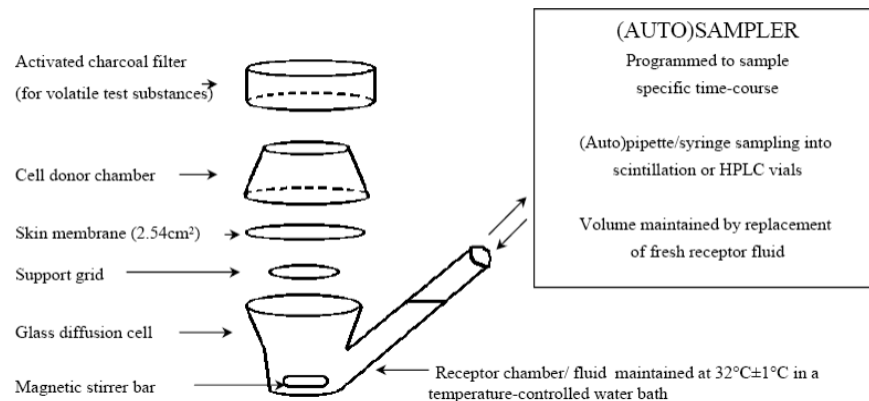


Percutaneous absorption



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- in vitro (OECD 428)
 - Diffusion of test article into and across human skin
- in vivo (OECD 427)
 - Rat
 - Individually housed in metabolism cage
 - Hair clipping on the dorsum
 - Application of the test article (1 – 5 mg/cm²)
 - Occlusion
 - 6 – 24 hrs exposure
 - Necropsy and analysis of organs



Metabolic competence

- Most drug metabolizing enzymes also occur in the mammalian skin albeit at relatively low specific activities (*Oesch et al. 2007; Oesch et al. 2014*)
 - 10 – 20% of the metabolic competence of the liver
 - Mostly localized in suprabasal epidermal layers
- In skin, cytochrome P450 enzymes (CYP) protein levels are 300-fold lower compared to liver (*van Eijl et al. 2012*)
 - Largest group of xenobiotic metabolizing enzymes that catalyze mono-oxygenation by transferring one oxygen atom onto the substrate
 - Expression varies across species, age, gender, and organ
 - Transcripts of CYP1A1/2/6, CYP 1B1, CYP2C9, CYP2D6, CYP2E1, CYP3A4/5 shown in native human skin (*Hu et al. 2010; Hayden et al. 2006*)
- Activities of non-CYP oxidoreductases are relatively more relevant for xenobiotic metabolism in skin (4-10 fold lower protein expression compared to liver)
 - Flavin-dependent monooxygenases (FMO)
 - Cyclooxygenases (COX)
 - Alcohol dehydrogenase (ADH)
 - Hydrolases and phase II enzymes are well presented in skin



Xenobiotica-metabolizing enzymes in the skin of rat, mouse, pig, guinea pig, man, and in human skin models

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Table 1 Representative Cytochrome P450 (CYP) basal activities in skin microsomes of various mammalian species

Activity (preferential for)	Human	Rat	Mouse	Guinea pig	Pig
AHH (CYP1 family)	0.24 to 1.35 ^a	1.25 ± 0.11 ^a	m: 3.3–46 ^a ; f: 17–21 ^a	2.51 ± 0.35 ^a	
EROD (CYP1 family)	bd to 35 ^a	m: 3.6 ± 0.3; f: 1.5 ± 0.2 ^a	m: bd; f: 3–19 ^a		4.62 ± 0.54 ^b
ECOD (CYP1A, 1B, 2B, 2D6, 3A4)	bd to 12 ^a	0.36–2.15 ^a	10.4–80 ^a	3.8 ± 2.7 ^a	(13.2 ± 2.5 ^b)
MROD (CYP1A2)	bd to +				
PROD (CYP2B)	bd to bq	m: 3.7 ± 1.3; f: 1.8 ± 0.1 ^a	m: bq; f: 0.1–1.7 ^a	bq	bd
BROD (CYP3A, 2B)		m: 4.4 ± 0.9; f: 2.1 ± 0.2			
Aminopyrine <i>N</i> -demethylase (CYP2B, 3A)		1000–4200 ^a	+		
Tolbutamide 4-hydroxylation (CYP2C9)	0.46 ± 0.05 ^b	0.47 ± 0.04 ^b	bd		1.66 ± 0.49 ^b
Bufuralolol 1-hydroxylation (CYP2D6)	bd	1.33 ± 0.17 ^b	9.23 ± 0.67 ^b		0.26 ± 0.03 ^b
Chlorzoxazone 6-hydroxylation (CYP2E1)	2.83 ± 0.34 ^b	bd	20.8 ± 0.5 ^b		bd
Para-nitrophenol hydroxylation (CYP2E1)	bd/+	bd ^c	f: 40 ± 10 ^a		
Midazolam 1-hydroxylation (CYP3A)	2.35 ± 0.23 ^b	0.58 ± 0.09 ^b	8.70 ± 0.28 ^b		2.32 ± 0.21 ^b
Benzoquinoline <i>O</i> -dealkylation (CYP3A)	bd to 76 ± 41 ^a				
Erythromycin <i>N</i> -demethylation (CYP3A)	+	bd–270 ^a	f: 540–1100 ^a		
Testosterone (CYP2A1, 3A4, 19A1, 2C11, 2C19) ^d					+
BP 7,8-dihydrodiol (CYP1A/1B, 2S1)	+	+	+		

More examples and references in the text

AHH aryl hydrocarbon hydroxylase, phenolic benzo[*a*]pyrene metabolites determined with 3-hydroxybenzo[*a*]pyrene as standard, *bd* below detection, *BP* benz[*a*]pyrene, *BROD* 7-benzoyloxyresorufin *O*-debenzylase, *bq* below quantification, *ECOD* 7-ethoxycoumarin-*O*-deethylase, *EROD* 7-ethoxyresorufin-*O*-deethylase, *f* female, *m* male, *MROD* 7-methoxyresorufin-*O*-demethylase, *PROD* pentoxyresorufin *O*-deethylase

^apmol/mg protein/min

^bpmol/mg protein/h, numbers in brackets: in medium of short-term culture

^cIn epidermal microsomes

^dIndication of the authors (Jacques et al. 2014) that all these CYPs are present in their pig ear skin model



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Table 2 Representative non-CYP-mediated oxidoreductase activities in skin of various mammalian species

Model substrate (for)	Human	Rat	Mouse	Guinea pig
Benzydamine (FMO)	+			
Methimazole (FMO)			0.35 ^a	
Thiobezamide (FMO)			0.32 ^a	
Arachidonic acid (COX)	23.5 ± 8.7 ^b			
Ethanol ^c (ADH)	0.3–0.4 ^d	2.06 ^d	1.1–1.2 ^d	0.6 ^d
2,6-Dichlorophenolindophenol (NQR)	~ 375 ^d		23.4 ± 0.8–159 ± 20 ^d	
Menadione (NQR)	7–10 ^d	+		
Carbazeran (AO)	1.30 ^e			
Zoniporide (AO)	0.164 ^e			

More examples and references in the text; only constitutive activities

ADH alcohol dehydrogenase, *AO* aldehyde oxidase, *COX* cyclooxygenase, *FMO* flavin-dependent monooxygenase, *NQR* NADH/NADPH quinone reductase

^anmol product/mg microsomal protein/min

^bpg PGE2 formed/mg microsomal protein/min

^cBeside ethanol ADH activity shown in human skin for 2-butoxyethanol > 2-phenoxyethanol > ethylene glycol > 2-ethoxyethanol as substrates

^dnmol product/mg cytosolic protein/min

^epmol/h/mg skin

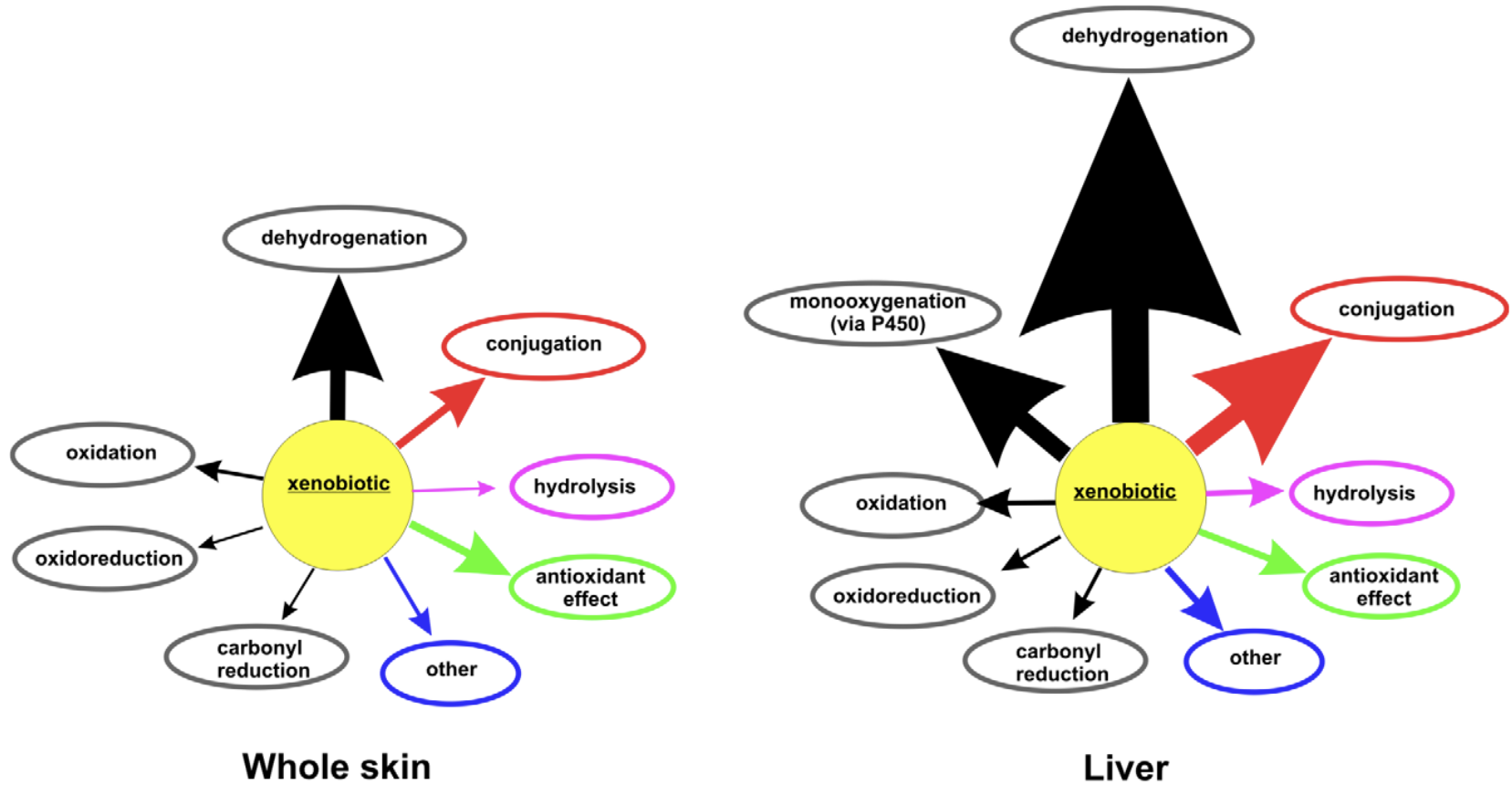
Elucidation of Xenobiotic Metabolism Pathways in Human Skin and Human Skin Models by Proteomic Profiling

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Size of each arrow is proportional to the number of enzymes detected

Consequences of skin metabolism



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- Hydrolases and phase II enzymes
 - May reduce the size of xenobiotics and convert lipophilic esters into hydrophilic alcohols, thereby **increasing the absorption** of some xenobiotics
- Carboxylesterases
 - Hydrolyze carbon esters by intra-molecular addition of water, **converting non-irritant esters into irritant alcohols**

Pro-sensitization

- Some hapten sensitizers are reactive per se, whereas others (pro-sensitizers/ pro-haptens) require activation by auto-oxidation or enzymatic transformation (*Jäckh et al. 2012*)
- Examples
 - Oxidation of cinnamic alcohol into immune-reactive cinnamic aldehyde (*Cheung et al. 2003*)
 - **P-Phenylenediamine**: aromatic amine in hair dyes (activated by auto-oxidation under experimental conditions; detoxification by acetylation in keratinocytes)

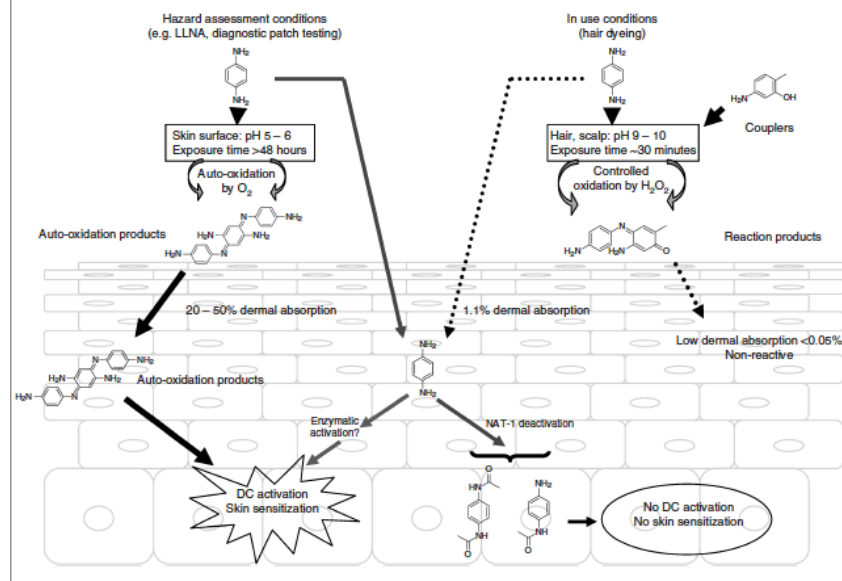


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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Skin Sensitization to *p*-Phenylenediamine: The Diverging Roles of Oxidation and *N*-Acetylation for Dendritic Cell Activation and the Immune Response

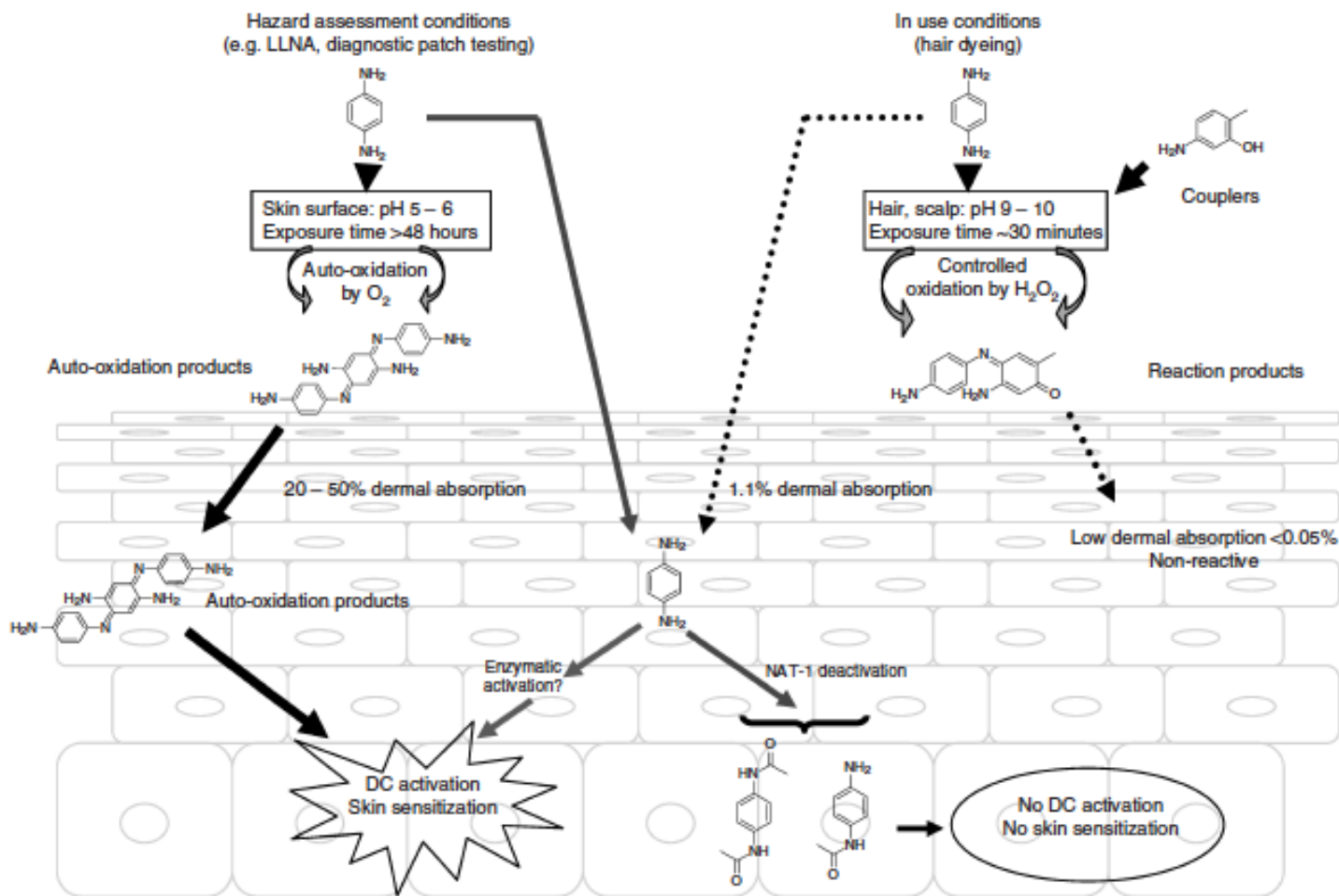
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Pro-sensitization



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Metabolic competence

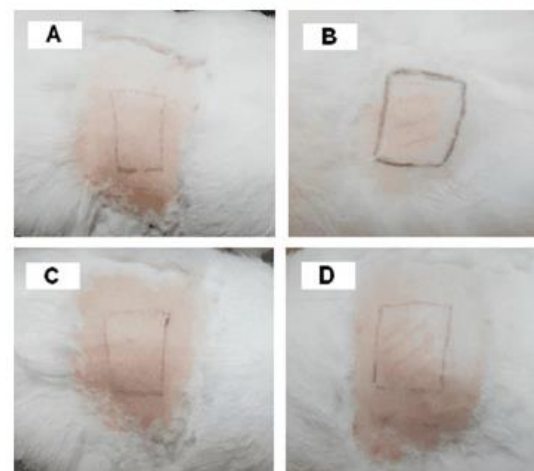
- Consideration of cutaneous metabolism is important for attempting correct predictions of skin irritation in human (particularly relevant for esters)
- The preclinical model should preferably be close to human skin with respect to esterases, alcohol dehydrogenases and aldehyde dehydrogenases
- Esterases
 - pig appears to be a particularly good model
 - rat skin less comparable to humans
 - insufficient information on the skin of mouse and guinea pig
 - all three-dimensional human skin models are good models
- Alcohol dehydrogenase and aldehyde dehydrogenases
 - Rat, mouse and guinea pig skin are reasonably close to human skin

Skin irritation



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- In vitro
 - Transcutaneous electrical resistance (OECD430)
 - Human 3D skin model (OECD 431)
 - Membrane barrier test (OECD 435)
- In vivo (OECD 404)
 - Albino Rabbit, individually housed (initial: 1 animal, confirmatory: 2 animals)
 - Clipping hair on the dorsum
 - Test substance applied to $\sim 6 \text{ cm}^2$ of dorsal skin
 - 0.5 ml (liquids) or 0.5 g (solids or pastes)
 - Covered with gauze patch
 - 4 hour exposure
 - Observation period: 14 days
 - Macroscopic score at 1, 24, 48, 72 h
 - Histopathology, if necessary



Irritant vs. Allergic contact dermatitis



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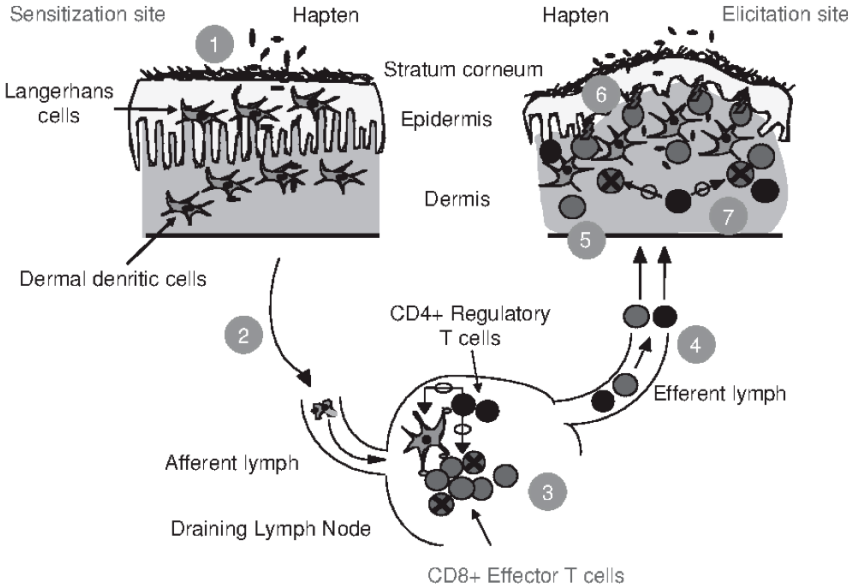
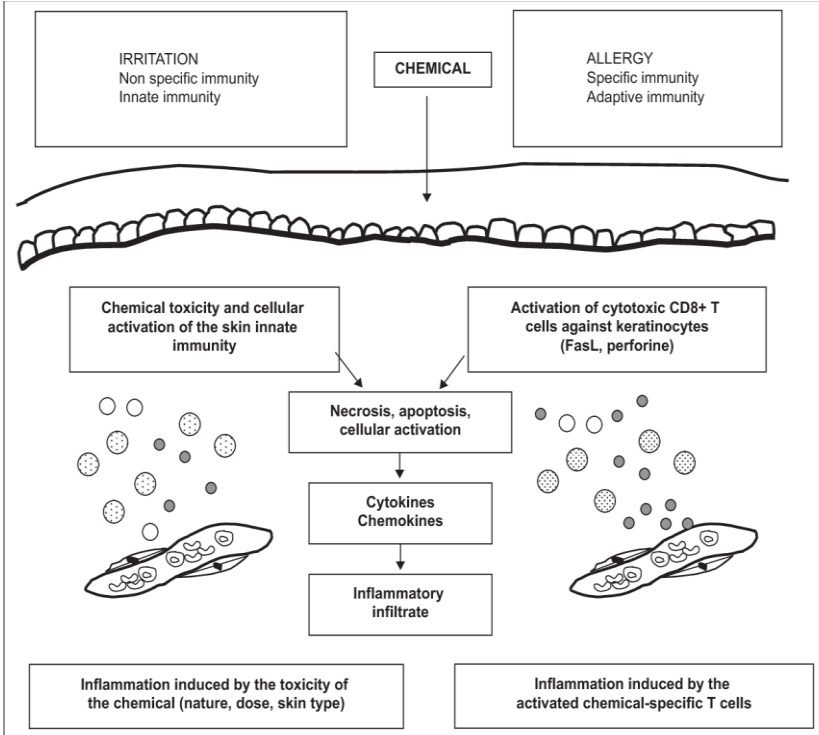


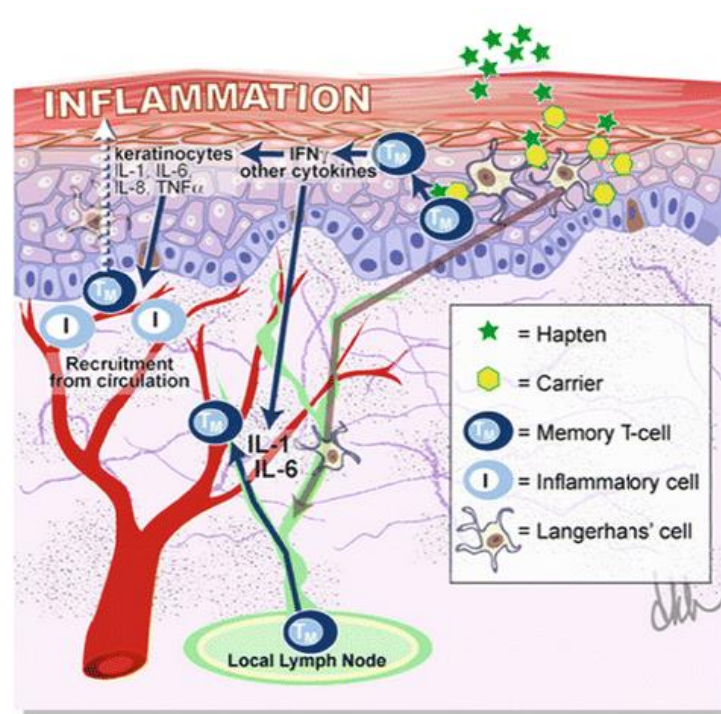
Figure 1. Immune mechanisms in ICD and ACD. ICD and ACD are induced by skin contact with chemicals. The early stages

Skin sensitization



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- No sufficiently developed in vitro models
- Guinea Pig Maximisation Test with adjuvant (OECD 406)
- Buehler Test in the Guinea Pig without adjuvant (OECD 406)
- Mouse Local Lymph Node Assay (OECD 429)
- Mouse Ear Swelling Test

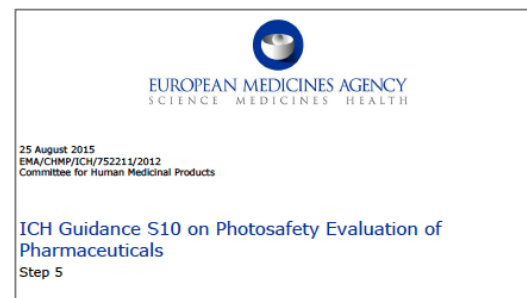


Phototoxicity



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- Photoirritation
 - An acute light-induced tissue response to a photoreactive chemical
- Photoallergy
 - An immunologically mediated reaction to a chemical, initiated by the formation of photoproducts (e.g. protein adducts) following a photochemical reaction
- For a chemical to demonstrate phototoxicity and/or photoallergy, the following characteristics are critical:
 - absorbs light within the range of natural sunlight (290-700 nm)
 - generates a reactive species following absorption of UV-visible light
 - distributes sufficiently to light-exposed tissues (e.g., skin, eye) - **default for topical products**



S10 Photosafety Evaluation of Pharmaceuticals Guidance for Industry

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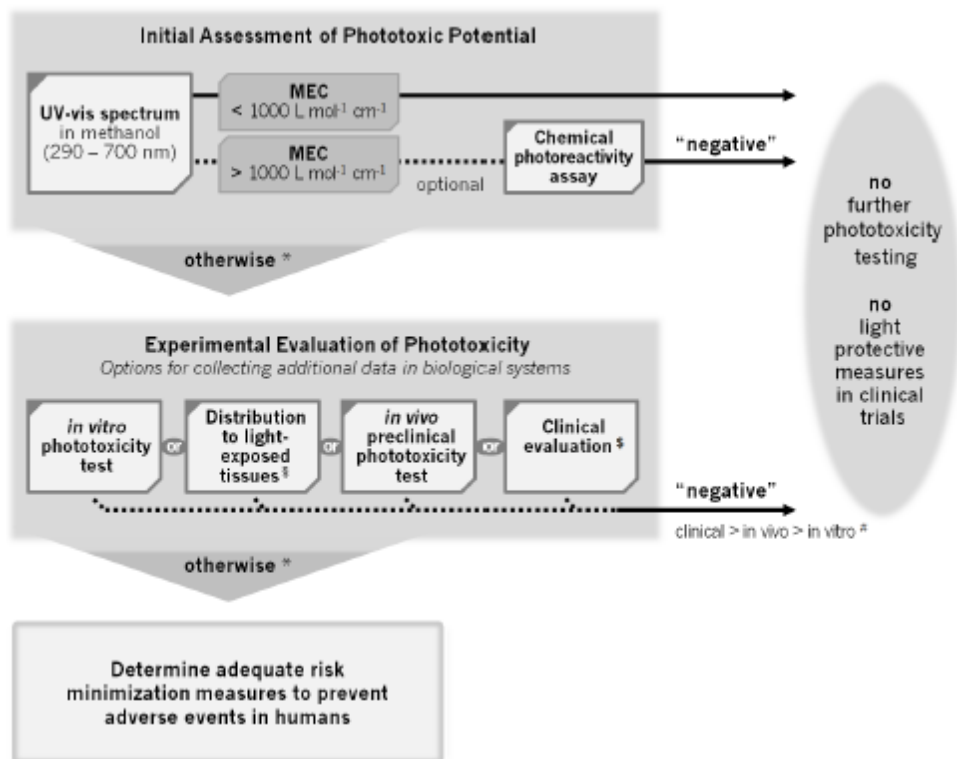
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Phototoxicity testing



- UV absorption



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"UV-VIS Absorption Spectra"
(Spectrophotometric Method)

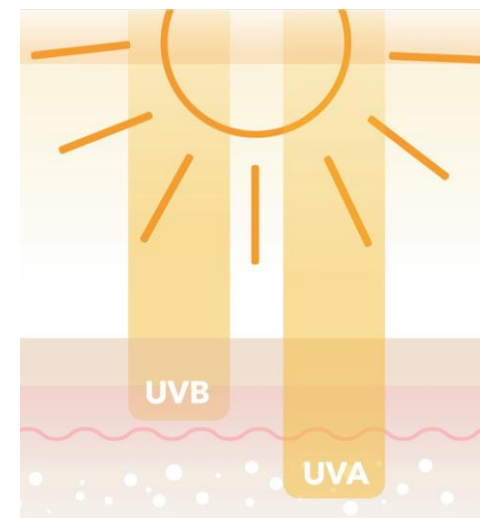
1. **INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION**

- Guidance information
 - Molecular formula
 - Structural formula
- Standard documents

The spectrophotometric method is based on national standards and consensus methods which are applied to measure the absorption spectra.

2. **METHOD**

1. INTRODUCTION PURPOSE SCOPE RELEVANCE APPLICATION

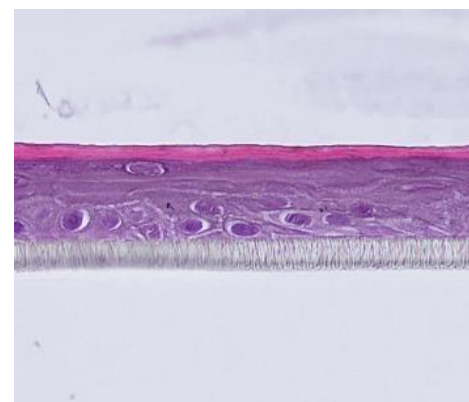
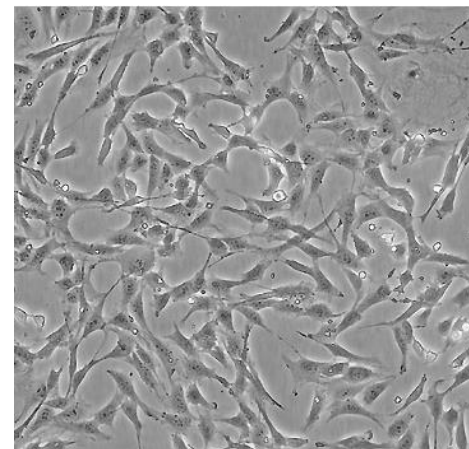


Phototoxicity testing



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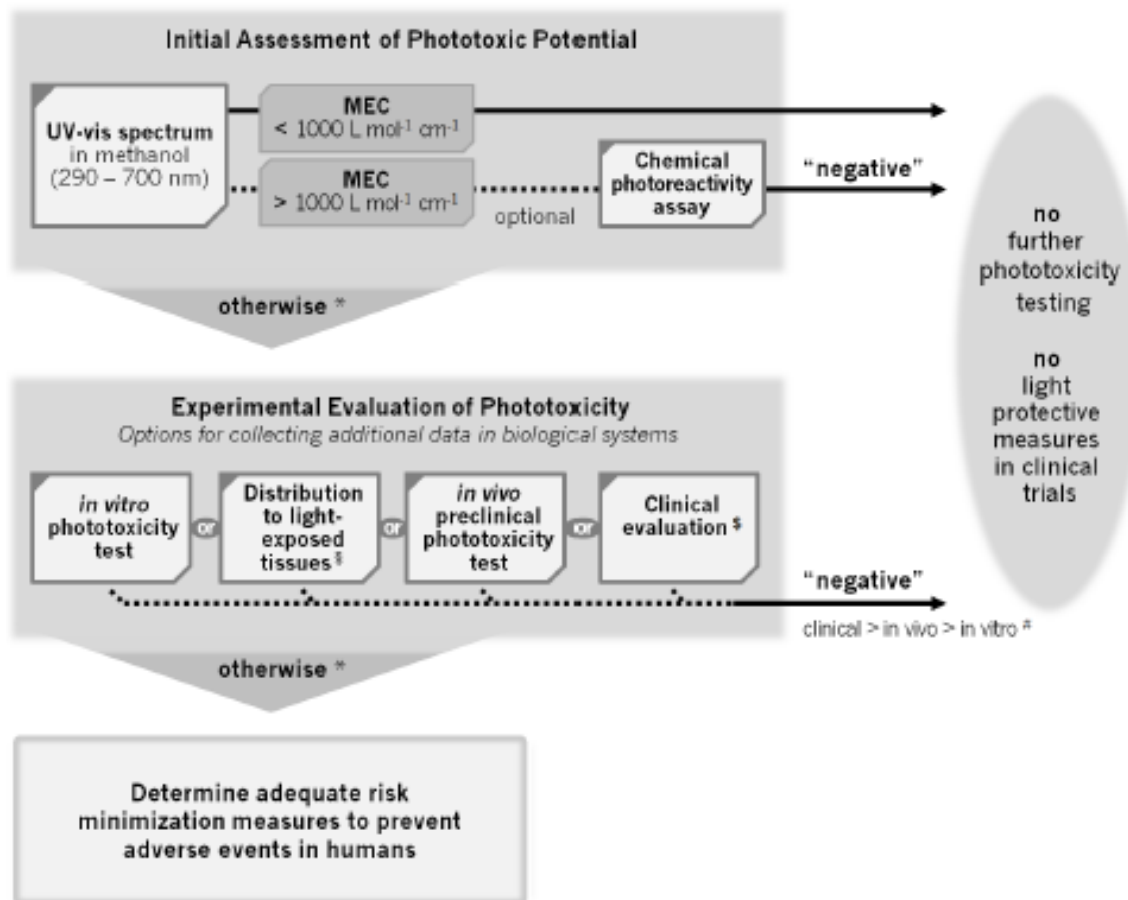
- in vitro 3T3 NRU phototoxicity test (OECD 432)
 - BALB/c mouse 3T3 fibroblasts
 - Validated by ECVAM
 - 93% sensitivity, (84% specificity)
 - Water soluble compounds
 - 3T3 cytotoxicity in presence/ absence of UVA
- In vitro reconstructed human skin models
 - Cytotoxicity measured by MTT assay



Phototoxicity testing



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Photocarcinogenicity



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- UV radiation is a known carcinogen in humans
 - Basal cell carcinoma
 - Squamous cell carcinoma
 - Malignant melanoma
- Pharmaceuticals may enhance the carcinogenicity of UVR
 - Shorten the time of onset to skin cancer development after a specific UVR dose
- Examples with FDA black box warning originating from in vivo animal studies:
 - Calcineurin inhibitors (tacrolimus, pimecrolimus)
 - Conflicting photocarcinogenicity data from in vitro and **animal studies**

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**Photocarcinogenicity
of selected topically applied
dermatological drugs:
calcineurin inhibitors,
corticosteroids, and vitamin
D analogs**

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Photocarcinogenicity

- Hairless mice exhibit a dose-dependent response to daily whole-body exposure to fluorescent sunlamps
- As the daily dose increases, the mean latent period to tumor development decreases and tumor multiplicity increases
- Significant effects of
 - Cumulative dose distribution



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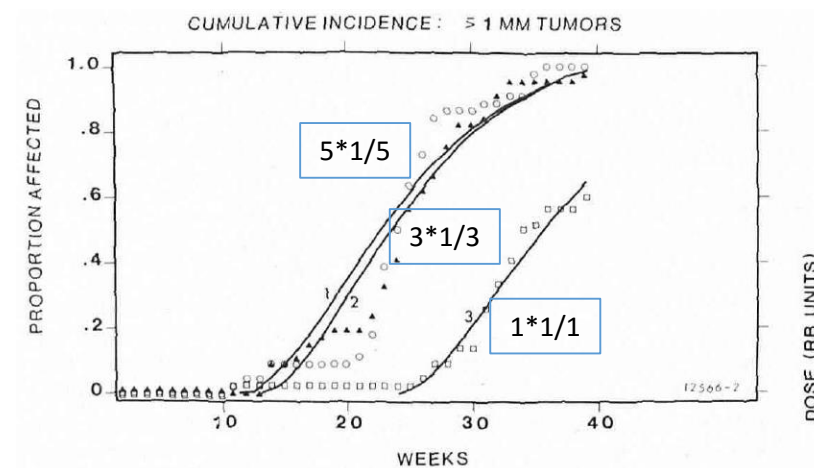
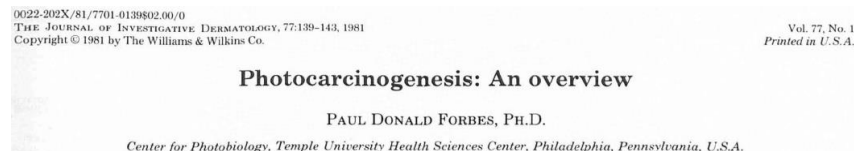


FIG 1. Tumor incidence (affected/survivors) for 3 groups of hairless mice receiving identical weekly dose of UVR (Westinghouse FS sunlamps). The weekly dose was given on 1 day (group 3), or one-third on each of 3 days (group 2) or one-fifth on each of 5 days (group 1). Group 3 had a significantly longer latent period than did the other 2 groups.

Photocarcinogenicity



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- As the daily dose increases, the mean latent period to tumor development decreases and tumor multiplicity increases
- Significant effects of
 - Cumulative dose distribution
 - Strain (genetic background)

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Photocarcinogenesis: An overview

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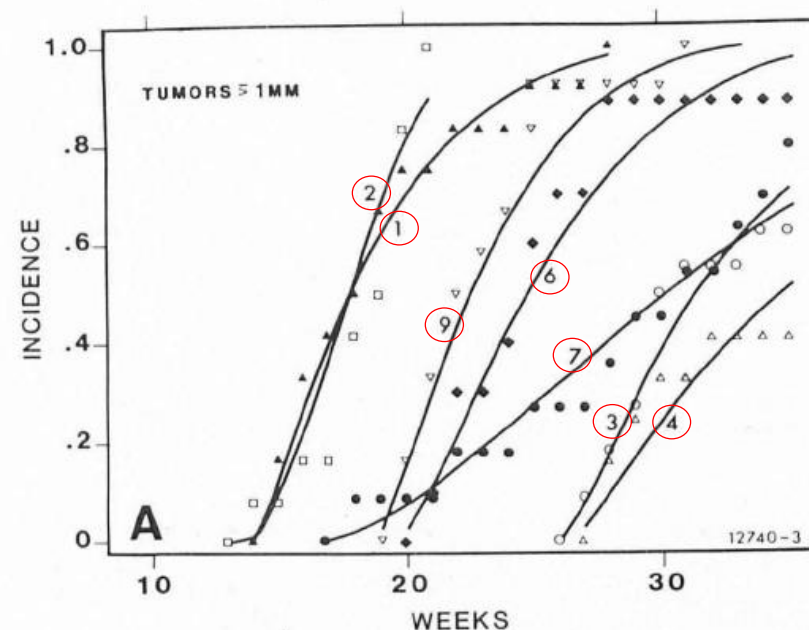


TABLE II. Characteristics of test animals

Stock or strain	Designation	Relevant genetics ^a		Source	Response curve # (Fig 3)
		Hair growth Color			
Stock	Skh:HR (type 1)	hr/hr	c/c	S&C Temple Univ.	1
	Skh:HR (type 2)	hr/hr	+/c, +/b, +/a	S&C Temple Univ.	9
Strain (F18)	HRA/Skh	hr/hr	c/c	S&C Temple Univ.	2
Stock	Skh:CRH	+/crh	+/c	S&C Temple Univ.	3
Strain (N8, F3)	C3H/HeN-hr	+/hr		NIH	6
Strain (F80)	HR/De/Hflcr	+/hr	p/p, b/b	Inst. Cancer Res.	5
Strain (F54)	HRS/J	+/hr	c/c	Jackson Lab.	7
Stock	Argonne hairless	+/hr	c/c	Argonne Nat. Lab.	8
Strain (F81+37)	BALB/cSkh-ab	+/ab	c/c, b/b	Univ. of California, Berkeley to S&C Temple Univ.	4


^a Genotype symbols, c-albino, ab-asebia, b-brown, a-non agouti, crh-crypthorix, hr-hairless, p-pink eyed.

Photocarcinogenicity

- NTP technical report on the photocarcinogenesis study of aloe vera in SKH-1 mice (NTP TR 553)
- SKH-1 (*hr/hr*) mice
- 36 males/ 36 females
- Daily topic administration for 40 weeks (75µl)
 - Vehicle, 2 or 3 dose levels
- Daily exposure to simulated solar light (SSL)
 - minimal erythema dose (MED):minimal amount of radiation that causes slight erythema within 24 hours
- Animal survival analysis
- 12 weeks recovery
- In-life assessment of skin lesion onset and incidence
- Histopathology of skin
 - Squamous hyperplasia
 - Focal atypical squamous hyperplasia
- Histopathology tumor incidence
 - Squamous cell papilloma
 - Squamous cell carcinoma in situ
 - Squamous cell carcinoma

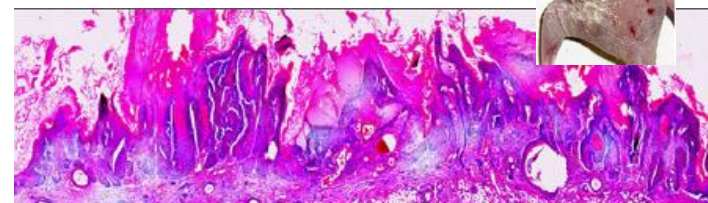
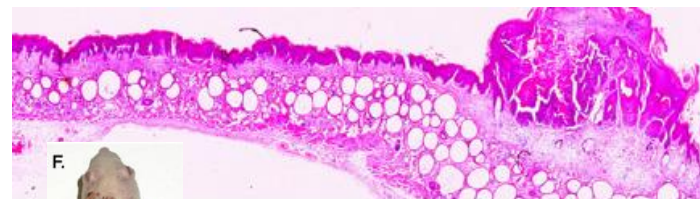


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Mice lacking epidermal PPAR γ exhibit a marked augmentation in photocarcinogenesis associated with increased UVB-induced apoptosis, inflammation and barrier dysfunction

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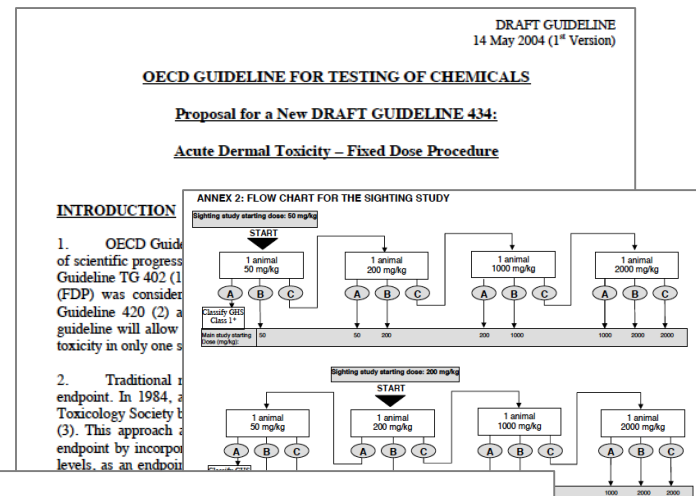


Dermal toxicity studies



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- Acute toxicity: OECD 434
 - Stepwise procedure
 - Rat, rabbit or guinea pig
 - One sex, 5 animals/group
 - Topical application (approx. 10% surface area)
 - Gauze dressing
 - 24 hrs exposure
 - 14 day observation period
 - Clinical observations, body weight, gross pathology, (histopathology)
- OECD 410 (21/28 day)
- OECD 411 (90 days)
 - Rat, rabbit, guinea pig, **minipigs**
 - Mortality, clinical observations (administration site), food intake, body weight, clinical pathology, gross pathology, histopathology



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**"Repeated Dose Dermal Toxicity:
21/28-day Study"**

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"Subchronic Dermal Toxicity: 90-day Study"

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Repeat dose dermal toxicity



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- Example: CLOBEX Spray
 - 0.05% clobetasol propionate
 - Plaque psoriasis
- 3 month dermal toxicity study in Sprague Dawley rats with a 4 week recovery
- 90 day dermal toxicity study in Yucatan pigs
- 9 month dermal toxicity study with a 1 month recovery in Hanford minipigs



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Minipigs in dermal toxicity testing



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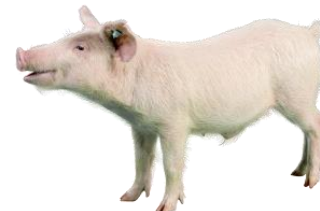
- Pig is accepted as appropriate species for topically applied products
- Minipigs preferred over domestic pigs because of small size, easier handling, extensive background information
- Several strains of minipigs available (Sinclair, Yucatan, Hanford, Göttingen, etc.)
- Göttingen strain: pale skin, slow growth rate, extensive historical data



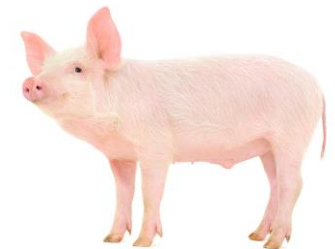
Sinclair



Yucatan



Hanford



Göttingen

<http://www.sinclairbioresources.com>

Comparative histology



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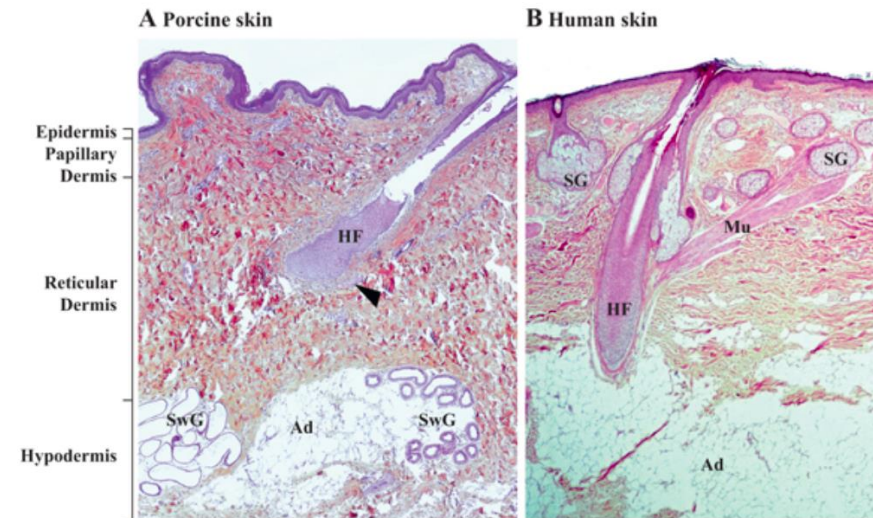
High similarity, except for

- Thicker stratum corneum
- Presence of interfollicular muscle
- Extensive apocrine glands do not contribute to thermoregulation
- Eccrine sweat glands limited to snout and carpus

[Eur J Dermatol](#). 2013 Jul-Aug;23(4):456-66. doi: 10.1684/ejd.2013.2060.

Comparative histology and immunohistochemistry of porcine versus human skin.

[Debeer S¹](#), [Le Loduéc JB](#), [Kaiserlian D](#), [Laurent P](#), [Nicolas JF](#), [Dubois B](#), [Kanitakis J](#).

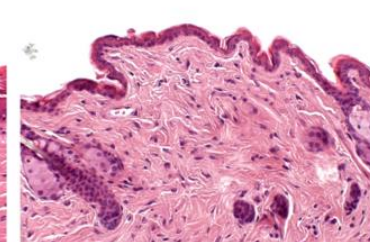
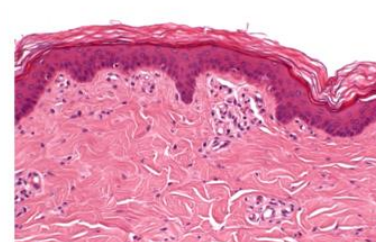
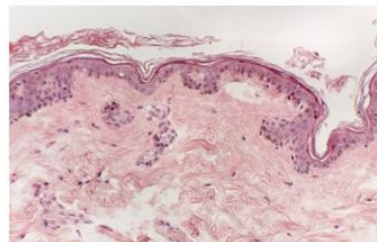


Species comparison



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HUMAN	PIG	MOUSE
Firmly attached to underlying structures	Firmly attached to underlying structures	Loosely attached to underlying structures
Limited hair cover	Limited hair cover	Hairy
4-5 cell layers of the epidermis (abdominal area)	5-6 cell layers of the epidermis (abdominal area)	1-2 cell layers of the epidermis (abdominal area)
Presence of rete ridge structure	Presence of rete ridge structure	Absence of rete ridge structure
Well-vascularised dermis	Well-vascularised dermis	Limited vascularisation
Selectively-permeable	Selectively-permeable	Permeable



hair follicles/cm²
(Stricker-Krongrad et al. 2016)

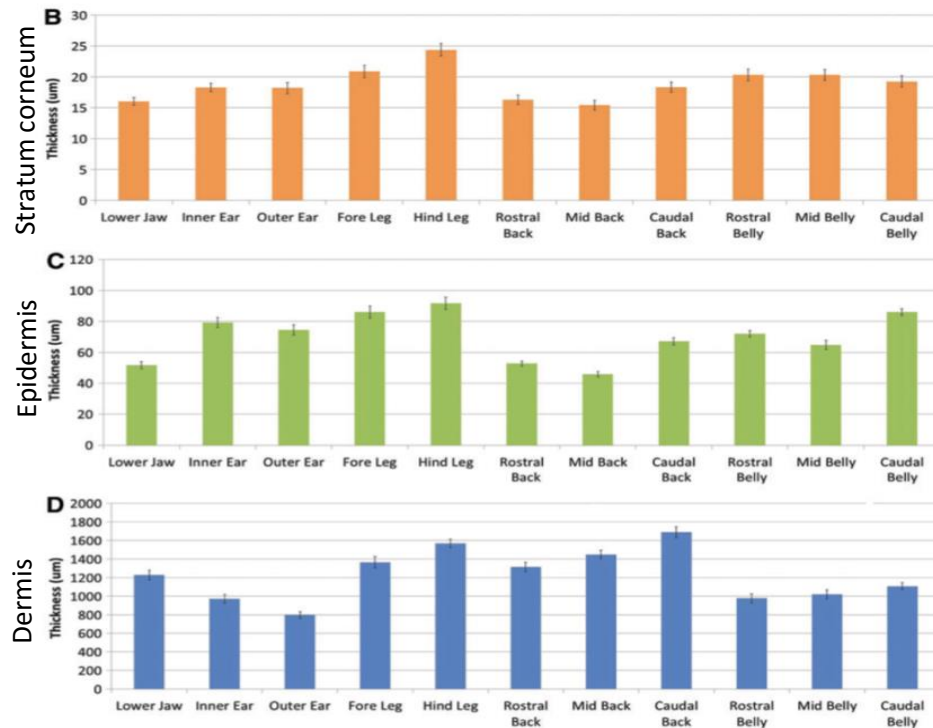
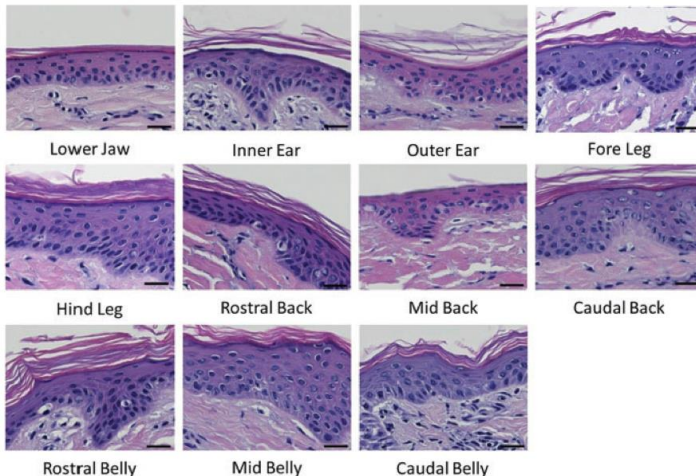
11 ± 1

11 ± 1

658 ± 38
(hairless mouse: 75 ± 6)

Regional variation

- Thickest epidermis/ stratum corneum in hind leg
- Thinnest epidermis/ stratum corneum in mid back
- Thickest dermis in caudal back
- Thinnest dermis in outer ear



Turner NJ, Pezzone D, Badylak SF. Regional variations in the histology of porcine skin. Tissue Eng Part C Methods. 2015 Apr;21(4):373-84

Dermal toxicity studies in Göttingen minipigs



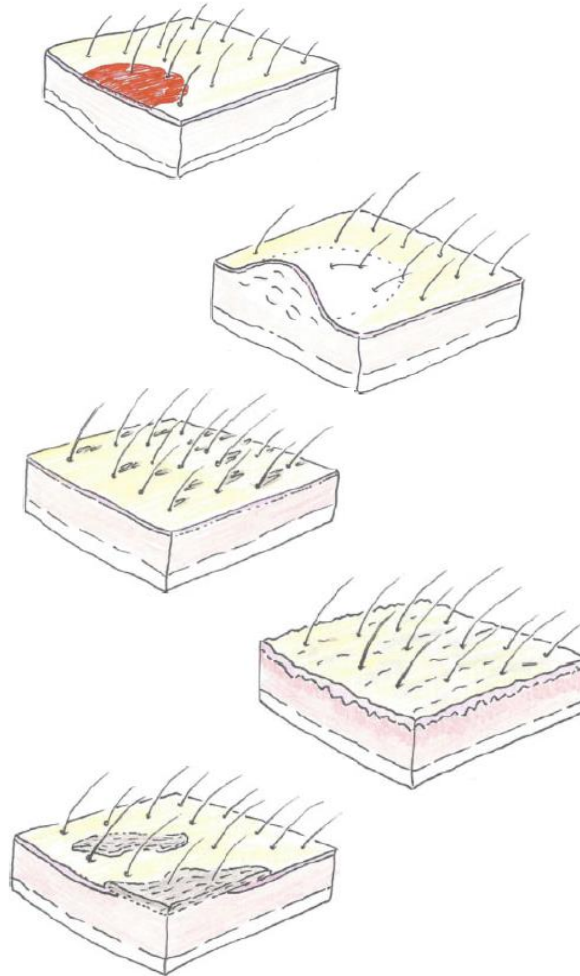
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- Preparation of dosing site
 - Tape stripping to allow penetration/absorption
 - Marking the dose site by tattooing
- Test article application
 - Evenly applied to dorsal skin (approx. 10%)
 - Occlusion with wound dressing
 - After dosing time, dressing is removed and dosing site is washed
- Challenges
 - Potential for cross-contamination by rubbing against the pen
 - Separate housing for control animals
 - Strict separation of equipment and clothing
 - Collections of electrocardiograms is challenging
 - Labor intensive / training of personnel
 - Severe erythema, erosions, ulcers, abscesses, and necrosis are considered painful
 - Administration of systemic analgesics
 - Discontinue dosing



Macroscopic observations

- Erythema
- Edema
- Atonia
- Desquamation
- Fissuring
- Scab formation
- Exfoliation



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Original Article

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Erythema	Edema
0—None	0—None
1—Slight	1—Slight
2—Moderate	2—Moderate
3—Severe	3—Severe

Other:

Atonia—A decrease in normal elasticity (resilience) of the skin

- 1—Slight (slight impairment of elasticity)
- 2—Moderate (slow return to normal)
- 3—Marked (no elasticity)

Desquamation—Scaling/flaking of the epidermis

- 1—Slight (slight scaling)
- 2—Moderate (scabs and flakes)
- 3—Marked (pronounced flaking with denuded areas)

Fissuring—Cracks in the skin

- 1—Slight (definite cracks in epidermis)
- 2—Moderate (cracks in dermis)
- 3—Marked (cracks and bleeding)

Scab formation

- F—Focus/foci present
- P—Patches present

Exfoliation—Sloughing of scabs/eschar tissue

- P—Present

Tissue Damage/Necrosis—Dead skin; blanched or blackened dead tissue

Microscopic observations



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- INHAND manuscripts



*melanomas described in Sinclair and MeLiM aka Libechev strains; but not described in white skinned minipigs such as Göttingen strain

NON-PROLIFERATIVE TERMS	Common	Uncommon
Atrophy, adnexal		X
Atrophy, dermal		X
Atrophy, epidermal		X
Cyst, squamous		X
Edema, dermal	X	
Edema, intercellular, epidermal	X	
Edema, intracellular, epidermal	X	
Erosion/ulcer	X	
Hyperkeratosis, adnexal		X
Hyperkeratosis, epidermal	X	
Infiltrate, inflammatory cell, epidermal	X	
Inflammation, adnexal	X	
Abscess	X	
Necrosis, adnexal	X	
Necrosis, epidermal	X	
Pustule	X	
Vesicle	X	

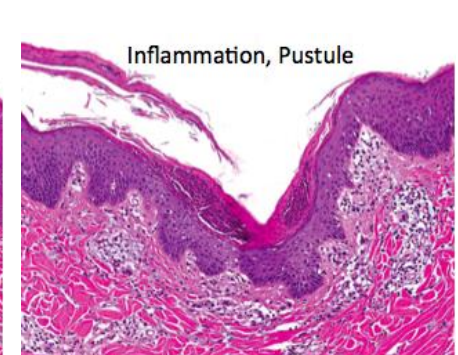
PROLIFERATIVE TERMS	Common	Uncommon
Non-Neoplastic		
Hyperplasia, adnexal		X
Hyperplasia, epidermal	X	
Hyperplasia, melanocyte		X
Neoplastic		
Melanoma, benign	X*	
Melanoma, malignant	X*	



Microscopic observations

- Background data from literature
 - Stricker-Krongrad et al. 2016

Breed	Findings	Male	Female
Göttingen		<i>n</i> = 143	<i>n</i> = 143
	Crust, focal, minimal to slight	4.2%	4.9%
	Hyper/parakeratosis, focal to diffuse, minimal	2.1%	2.8%
	Epidermal/subepidermal edema, focal, minimal to slight	1.4%	4.9%
	Mononuclear/inflammatory cells, focal, minimal to moderate	6.3%	7.0%
Yucatan		<i>n</i> = 18	<i>n</i> = 21
	Mononuclear infiltrates, focal, minimal	5.6%	0.0%
Hanford		<i>n</i> = 60	<i>n</i> = 59
	Acute inflammation, dermis, minimal	0.0%	1.7%
	Chronic inflammation, dermis, minimal	6.7%	5.1%
	Chronic inflammation, perifollicular, minimal	0.0%	1.7%
	Lymphohistiocytic inflammation, multifocal, mild	0.0%	1.7%



Documentation

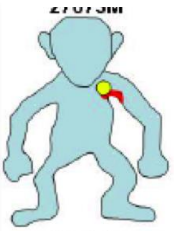
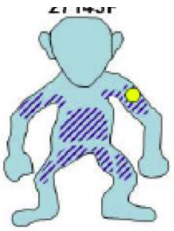
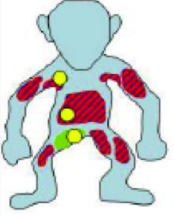
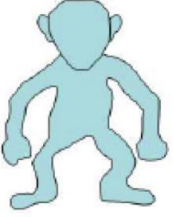
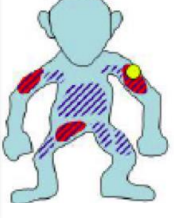
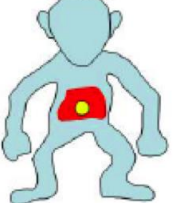
- Correlation with clinical observations
 - Terminology
 - Systematic diagnostic approach
 - Consistency
 - Clinical observations
 - Gross pathology
 - Histopathology

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Test Item (dosage)	IM	27675M	27155F
mg/kg b.i.d. 0			
Phase: All			
Category	Group/S	27675M	27155F
Observation	Number in Gro		
Head			
squamous skin, face, slight			
reddened skin, face, slight			
reddened skin, head, slight			
discharge, both nasal wings, bloody			
discharge, both nasal wings, clear			
discharge, both nasal wings, crusted			
discharge, left nasal wing, bloody			
discharge, right nasal wing, clear			
Eye/s			
reddened skin, both eyes, slight			
Trunk			
squamous skin, both inguinal, slight			
squamous skin, chest, slight			
squamous skin, lower abdomen, slight			
squamous skin, upper abdomen, slight			
squamous skin, whole abdomen, slight			
reddened skin, both inguinal, severe			
reddened skin, both inguinal, slight			
reddened skin, chest, slight			
reddened skin, lower abdomen, slight			
reddened skin, whole abdomen, slight			
			

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