

## Stereoselective inhibition of human CYP2C19 activity by lansoprazole and omeprazole

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Lansoprazole and omeprazole are proton pump inhibitors that contain a chiral benzimidazole sulfoxide structure and are used as a racemic mixture of *S*- and *R*-form. This study was addressed to evaluate the stereoselective inhibitory potential of lansoprazole and omeprazole on human CYP isoforms using human liver microsomes *in vitro*. For the CYP2C19-catalyzed (*S*)-mephenytoin 4'-hydroxylation, CYP2C9-catalyzed tolbutamide 4-methylhydroxylation, and CYP3A4-catalyzed midazolam 1-hydroxylation, racemic lansoprazole and its enantiomers showed stereoselective inhibitions. Among CYP isoforms tested, CYP2C19 was most strongly inhibited by lansoprazole and omeprazole. And the inhibitory potential was in order of; (*S*)-lansoprazole > racemic lansoprazole > (*R*)-lansoprazole. The estimated  $K_{is}$  were  $1.3 \pm 0.13$  (M),  $0.6 \pm 0.06$  (M) and  $6.1 \pm 2.6$  (M for racemic-, (*S*)-lansoprazole and (*R*)-lansoprazole, respectively. Racemic, (*R*-), and (*S*)-omeprazole also strongly inhibited CYP2C19 activity. The estimated  $K_{is}$  were  $3.5 \pm 0.4$  (M),  $3.4 \pm 0.5$  (M), and  $5.7 \pm 0.5$  (M for racemic-, (*S*)- and (*R*)-omeprazole, respectively.

These results suggest that the lansoprazole and omeprazole inhibit the CYP2C19 catalyzed *S*-mephenytoin 4-hydroxylation in a stereoselective manner and enantioselectivity of lansoprazole on CYP2C19 inhibition appears to be more prominent compared to that of omeprazole.