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Sponsor: Schering Corporation

Manufacturer (if different): Drug substance:
Drug Product:

Drug Name: Primary: temozolomide Other Names: Temodal, SCH52365

Chemical Name: 8-carbamoyl-3-methylimidazol [5,1-d]-1,2,3,5 tetrazine-4 (3H)-one

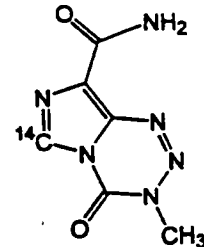
Structure:

CAS Number: 85622-93-1

Molecular Weight (and Formula optional): $C_6H_8N_6O_2$, mw=194.15

Related INDs/NDAs/DMFs: IND IND

Class: antineoplastic (alkylating agent)



Indication: "...for the treatment of adult patients with malignant glioma (glioblastoma multiforme and anaplastic astrocytoma) at first relapse and as first line treatment for patients with advanced metastatic malignant melanoma."

Clinical Formulation: 5, 20, 100, or 250 mg capsules

	mg ingredients/capsule			
	5 mg	20 mg	100 mg	250 mg
✓ Temozolomide				
✓ Lactose Anhydrous, NF				
✓ Sodium starch glycolate NF				
✓ Colloidal silicon dioxide NF				
✓ Tartaric Acid NF				
✓ Stearic acid NF				
TOTAL				

Route of Administration: oral

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Proposed Dose and Schedule:

Chemotherapy-naïve patients: 200 mg/m² DX5 q 28 days
Previously treated patients: 150 mg/m² DX5 q 28 days

Previous Review(s), Date(s) and Reviewer(s): IND [W. Schmidt

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Note: Portions of this review were excerpted directly from the sponsor's submission.

INTRODUCTION/ DRUG HISTORY

The original IND for temozolomide (TEM) was submitted by the NCI in May, 1993. Schering began development of TEM in Dec. 1993. TEM, a pro-drug for MTIC; is converted without metabolic activation to MTIC at physiologic pH. Dacarbazine (DTIC), an approved drug, is also a pro-drug for MTIC. Temozolomide is orally bioavailable (approximately 100%) and crosses the blood brain barrier. Half-life ranges around 1 hour in most species. The proposed mechanism of action is cross-linkage of DNA.

The toxicologic profile of temozolomide includes marrow toxicity, g.i. damage, liver and kidney necrosis (possibly secondary to bacterial infiltration), and at high doses in mice only, a bleomycin-like damage to the lung. In a multiple cycle rat study, mammary carcinomas were found in females beginning at 3 months. No mammary carcinomas were observed in a 6 cycle dog study. Damage to reproductive organs was also noted. Hepatic damage in the mouse and rat correlated with elevated liver enzymes.

PREVIOUS CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Temozolomide has been investigated in Phase I, and Phase II malignant melanoma, high grade glioma and low grade non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Doses in phase II trials ranged from 750-1200 mg/m² over 5 days (150-250 mg/m²/day). Toxicities were primarily myelosuppression and nausea/vomiting. Hepatic damage, and, in glioma patients, cerebral edema/increased cranial pressure (may be disease related) were noted in rare instances.

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Athymic NCR-nu/nu mice bearing human tumor xenografts implanted either intracranially or sc were treated with gavage TEM at doses of 180-600 mg/kg (the LD30) and the tumor size measured. Even if treatment of U251 glioblastoma with 270, 400 or 600 mg/kg TEM was delayed until tumor had reached 300 mg, 8-10/10 mice were tumor-free on day 71. No schedule dependence of activity was noted. When the combination of BCNU and TEM (BCNU administered before TEM) was used in the less sensitive SF-295 cell line, tumor growth delays of up to 400% were seen at doses which did not result in death (doses of >40 mg/kg BCNU + >180 mg/kg TEM were lethal). Statistical analysis of the data suggested synergistic effects with the two drugs.

Table 2 Activity of p.o. temozolomide and i.v. BCNU against staged s.c. implanted SF-295 and U251 glioblastoma xenografts

Approximately 30-mg tumor fragments were implanted s.c. into the axillary region of groups of 10 (20 controls) athymic NCI-mouse mice on Day 0. Treatment was initiated when tumor sizes ranged from 63 to 294 mg (SF-295 model) or from 63 to 108 mg (U251 model). All vehicle-treated control tumors grew well with median doubling times of 1.4 and 2.5 days for the SF-295 and U251 experiments, respectively. Median time to 4 doublings was 7.8 days for SF-295 control tumors. Median time to 2 doublings was 8.3 days for U251 control tumors.

Compound	Route and treatment schedule	Dose (mg/kg/day)	No. of drug deaths	No. of complete regressions	No. tumor free ^a	Growth delay ^b (%)	Net log ₁₀ cell kill ^b
SF-295 glioblastoma experiment							
Temozolomide	p.o. Day 6	600	2/10	3/10	2/10	>315	>5.3
		400	0/10	0/10	1/10	237	4.0
	p.o. Days 6, 10, 14	200	1/10	0/10	2/10	295	3.2
		133	0/10	1/10	1/10	232	2.2
	p.o. Days 6-10	120	0/10	1/10	0/10	>336	>4.8
	80	1/10	0/10	0/10	182	2.2	
BCNU	i.v. Day 6	40	0/10	3/10	1/10	301	5.1
		27	0/10	0/10	1/10	121	2.0
	i.v. Days 6, 10, 14	27	2/10	0/10	7/10	>336	>3.9
	18	0/10	1/10	0/10	276	2.9	
U251 glioblastoma experiment							
Temozolomide	p.o. Day 7	600	0/10	1/10	9/10	675	6.7
		400	0/10	4/10	6/10	478	4.8
	p.o. Days 7, 11, 15	200	2/10	3/10	5/10	640	5.4
		133	0/10	0/10	2/10	548	4.5
	p.o. Days 7-11	120	0/10	3/10	7/10	694	6.5
	80	1/10	6/10	3/10	624	5.8	
BCNU	i.v. Day 7	40	0/10	10/10	0/10	283	2.8
		27	0/10	0/10	0/10	196	2.0
	i.v. Days 7, 11, 15	27	1/10	0/10	0/10	460	3.6
	18	0/10	8/10	0/10	281	1.8	

^a Day 40 for SF-295, Day 86 for U251.

^b Excludes tumor-free mice.

Table 4 Median percentage of tumor growth delay obtained following treatment of advanced stage s.c. human SF-295 glioblastoma xenografts with p.o. temozolomide and/or i.v. BCNU: BCNU/temozolomide sequence

Treatment was initiated on Day 9 when individual tumor weights ranged from 100 to 343 mg. Temozolomide was administered 2 h after BCNU. Median doubling time and median time to 3 doublings for control tumors were 1.7 and 7.1 days, respectively. Growth delays include tumor-free survivors on Day 51 but exclude drug-related deaths. Except where noted, all treatments were equal to, or below, maximally tolerated doses.

BCNU (mg/kg)	Temozolomide (mg/kg)				
	0	180	270	400	600
0		1	39	28	190
18	17	244	228	380	NT ^a
27	59	401	444	>492	NT
40	242	>492	443 ^b	>492 ^c	NT
60	258	NT	NT	NT	NT

^a NT, not tested.

^b Toxic treatment; 4 of 10 apparent drug-related deaths.

^c Toxic treatment; 3 of 10 apparent drug-related deaths.

2. Mitchell, R.B. and Dolan, M.E. (1993) Effect of temozolomide and dacarbazine on O 6 - alkylguanine-DNA alkyltransferase activity and sensitivity of human tumor cells and xenografts to 1,3-bis(2-chloroethyl)-1-nitrosourea. *Cancer Chemother. Pharmacol.* 32: 59-63.

HT29 human colon adenocarcinoma cells (both in culture and injected sc in NIH Swiss female nude mice) were used to determine the effects of TEM, DTIC and BCNU on alkylguanine alkyltransferase (AGT) levels and cytotoxicity. Growth inhibition *in vitro* was measured by MTT assay. To measure *in vivo* AGT levels, mice were treated with drug when tumor reach 400-600 mm³, then killed 4 or 16 hours after drug treatment. *In vivo* efficacy was monitored by measuring tumor volume.

In culture, exposing cells to TEM (500 uM for 4 hours) prior to BCNU resulted in a log greater cell kill; however, adding TEM after BCNU or at concentrations of 200 uM had almost no effect. AGT activity was decreased by 31% and 74% at 200 and 500 uM TEM for 4 hours. DTIC *in vivo* was less effective than TEM even in combination with BCNU. The sponsor suggested that the increased efficacy with TEM was due to depletion of AGT by TEM to allow greater DNA adducting with BCNU. Toxicity was also increased with the combinations.

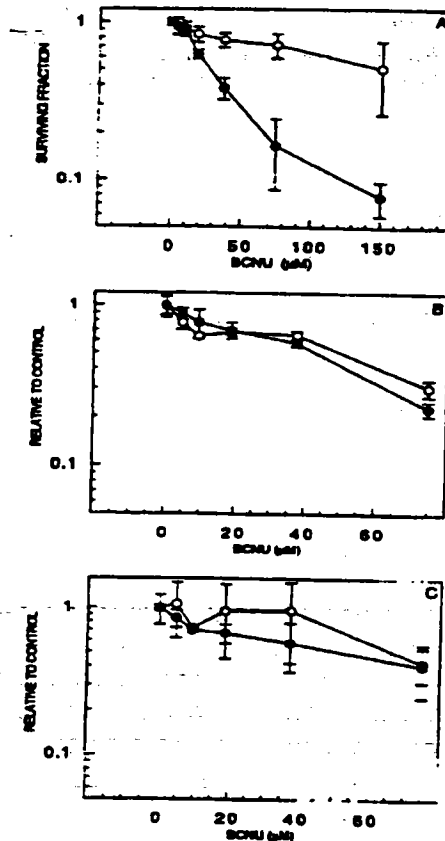


Fig. 1A - C. HT29 cells (500 per well) were allowed to adhere to 96-well plates for 24 h. After cells were treated with temozolomide for 2 h, BCNU was added at the indicated concentrations for an additional 2 h. Fresh medium was added and cells were incubated for 5 days at 37°C. Growth inhibition was measured by the microtiter salt (MTT) assay. A Cells were treated without (○) or with (●) 300 µM temozolomide prior to BCNU exposure. B Cells were treated without (○) or with (●) 200 µM temozolomide prior to BCNU exposure. C Cells were treated without (○) or with (●) 300 µM temozolomide for 4 h after BCNU exposure. Each point represents the mean of three determinations (\pm SD). Each experiment was repeated with similar results.

3. Friedman, H.S., Dolan, M.E., Pegg, A.E., Marcelli, S., Keir, S. Catino, J.J., Bigner, D.D. and Schold, S.C. (1995) Activity of temozolomide in the treatment of central nervous system tumor xenografts. *Cancer Res.* 55: 2853-2857.

Balb/c mice with sc human tumor xenografts (mer⁺ repair proficient tumors) were administered ip TEM at the LD10 (411 mg/m²/day for 5 consecutive days or 1200 mg/m² as a single dose) and their survival observed. On the DX5 schedule, 12/127 mice died. With the addition of O6-benzylguanine (an inhibitor of O6-alkylguanine-alkyltransferase, a DNA repair enzyme) the LD10 was decreased to 750 mg/m² as a single dose. Significant increases in lifespan and complete remissions were seen at these doses in a series of CNS tumor xenografts (see table below). Activity in these cell lines with TEM was greater than that of BCNU or procarbazine by 4-15 fold.

Table 2 Activity of temozolomide against *s.c.* CNS tumor xenografts

Xenograft	Derivation	Experiment	Regimens ^a	Median time to 5 times initial tumor volume of control tumors (days)		
				T-C ^b	Regressions ^c	
D-341 Med	Medulloblastoma	1	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	30.3	2/9 ^d	
		2	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	31.4	8/8 ^d	0/10 ^e
		3	1200 mg/m ² x 1 day	28.9	10.9	1/8 ^d
		4	1025 mg/m ² x 1 day	29.3	8.6	5/9
D528 EP	Ependymoma	1	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	75.2	68.3	8/2 (2)
		2	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	43.3	98+	9/9 (7)
D612 EP	Ependymoma	1	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	40.8	72.8	8/8
		2	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	40.2	86.1	10/10
D-456 MG	Childhood GBM ^f	1	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	44.5	120+	7/7 (7)
		2	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	28.1	120+	8/8 (8)
D-212 MG	Childhood GBM	1	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	39.3	56.2	9/9
		2	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	37.4	47.4	10/10
D-54 MG	Adult AA	1	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	7.5	40.8	10/10 (1)
D-245 MG	Adult GBM	1	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	20.5	108.3	8/8 (1)
		2	411 mg/m ² x 5 days	25.6	111.9	9/9

^a Temozolomide was given by i.p. injection at a volume of 90 ml/m².
^b Growth delay in days, defined as the difference between the median time for tumors in treated (T) and control (C) animals to reach five times the volume recorded at initiation of treatment.
^c Defined as a decrease in tumor volume over two successive measurements, number of regressions/number treated. Numbers in parentheses, number of complete regressions.
^d Values not statistically significant (*P* < 0.01).
^e Abbreviations are as used in Table 1.

Table 3 Treatment of CNS tumor xenografts growing *s.c.* in athymic nude mice with BCNU, procarbazine, or temozolomide

Xenograft	Derivation	BCNU ^a		Procarbazine ^b		Temozolomide ^c	
		T-C (days) ^d	Regressions ^e	T-C (days) ^d	Regressions ^e	T-C (days) ^d	Regressions ^e
D-212 MG	Childhood GBM ^f	4.1 ^g	0/10 ^h	7.5	7/10 ^h	56	9/9
D-456 MG	Childhood GBM	6.1	1/10 ^h	47.2	10/10 (7)	116.4	8/8 (8)
D612 EP	Ependymoma	18.3	9/10	48.9	10/10	86	10/10
D528 EP	Ependymoma	10.9	1/10	23.2	9/9	68.3	8/8 (7)

Abbreviations: GMB, glioblastoma multiforme.
^a BCNU was given by single i.p. injection at a dose of 100 mg/m² in 30% ethanol at a volume of 90 ml/m².
^b Procarbazine was given by i.p. injection at a dose of 700 mg/m² in 0.9% saline at a volume of 90 ml/m² daily for 5 consecutive days.
^c Temozolomide was given by i.p. injection at a dose of 411 mg/m² in 10% DMSO in 0.9% saline at a volume of 90 ml/m² daily for 5 consecutive days.
^d Growth delay in days, defined as the difference between the median time for tumors in treated (T) and control (C) animals to reach five times the volume recorded at initiation of treatment.
^e Defined as a decrease in tumor volume over two successive measurements, number of regressions/number treated. Numbers in parentheses, number of complete regressions.
^f Abbreviations as used in Table 1.
^g Values not statistically significant (*P* < 0.01).

Summary of Pharmacology

Temozolomide is an imidazotetrazinone similar in structure to both dacarbazine (DTIC) and mitozolomide. The putative mechanism of action is by degradation to MTIC and alkylation of DNA. TEM has both in vitro and in vivo activity against a number of tumor lines, including human CNS tumors implanted intracranially. Several of the metabolites of TEM also have activity: Tsang et al. have demonstrated activity in the TLX5 cell line of both temozolomide acid (approximately equivalent to parent drug) and MTIC (approximately twice as active as parent). Doses with activity in vitro were in the ug/mL range, while efficacy was seen in vivo at doses less than or equal to the LD10.

The activity of TEM has been shown in some models to increase when the levels of O6-alkylguanine-DNA-alkyltransferase (AGT), which removes alkyl groups from DNA (DNA repair), were diminished. This was demonstrated in several ways: greater activity in tumor lines where AGT activity was inherently low (e.g. brain tumors), and increased activity with the inhibitor of AGT, O6-benzylguanine; however, the correlation was not consistent among all tumor lines. Several papers have shown additive or synergistic activity with a variety of other chemotherapeutic agents including BCNU and cisplatin. The increase in activity of combinations of drugs with TEM may be due to irreversible inhibition (by alkylation) of AGT by TEM.

II. PHARMACOKINETICS AND TOXICOKINETICS

1. P-6059. SCH 52365: Biliary excretion and enterohepatic circulation of radioactivity following administration of a single oral dose of 14 C-SCH 52365 suspension to male rats. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1996 Nov. Vol. 1.59

Conducted: at Schering Plough Research Institute, Kenilworth, NJ in Sept 1994.

Drug used: ¹⁴C-TEM, batch 31760-58-7

Vehicle: 0.4% methylcellulose for oral, 20% DMSO in saline for iv

Dose: 200 mg/m² (approximately 88-91 uCi/rat)

Route: comparison of intravenous vs oral gavage

Animals: adult male Sprague-Dawley rats, 5/dose; oral group: 320-354 g, iv group: 362-380 g, bile duct cannulated >1 hour pre-drug.

Sample collection: bile: 0-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8, 8-25, 24-48 h.

urine: 0-2, 2-4, 4-6, 6-8, 8-25, 24-48 h

feces: 0-8, 8-24, 24-48 h

Method of analysis: |

Results:

The quantities of drug in bile were too low to allow for analysis of metabolites. The metabolites in the urine were not analyzed in this study. Metabolites in the feces included parent drug, temozolomide acid, and AIC, and at 48 hours, an unidentified product. The proportion of parent drug was highest between 0-8 hours and declined steady thereafter with greater quantities of the metabolites. Absolute values were not given.

Total recovery by the oral route ranged from 77% to 94%; with iv administration, total recovery range from 69% to 83%. The majority of drug was excreted in the urine, with >25% of the administered dose remaining in the carcass. Minimal differences were seen in the excretion patterns by oral and iv routes.

Group	Mean Percent of Dose (%CV)					
	Bile	Urine	Feces	GI Contents	Carcass	Total
Oral (n=5)	1.35 (41)	41.2 (45)	1.68 (100)	16.0 (116)	27.0 (14)	87.2 (7)
Intravenous (n=4)	1.57 (50)	34.4 (44)	1.07 (104)	3.27 (57)	36.0 (39)	76.3 (8)

2. P-6097. SCH 52365: Absorption, metabolism, excretion, and pharmacokinetics of 14 C-SCH 52365 following a single oral or intravenous dose in male rat. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1996 Dec. Vol. 1.60.

Conducted: |

Drug used: ¹⁴C-TEM, batch 31760-122-8

Vehicle: 0.4% methylcellulose for oral, 20% DMSO in saline for iv

Dose: 200 mg/m²; group 1 and 3: single iv dose, group 2, 4, 5 oral gavage

Route: comparison of intravenous vs oral gavage

Animals: male albino rats, 68/group 1, 64/group 2, 5/group 3, 4, 16/group 5; 4 rats/ time point in groups 1 and 2. Weights were 200-255 g.

Sample collection:

Blood and plasma: 0.08, 0.25, 0.50, 0.75, 1, 1.5, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24, 48, 72, 120h

Urine: 0-4, 4-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h.

Feces: 0-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h.

CSF: 0.25, 1, 3, 6 h

Method of analysis:

Results:

With the exception of some "blood in the plasma" at 0-4 hours (attributed to hemolysis by DMSO vehicle), there were no remarkable signs in the treated rats. Plasma levels of both TEM and total radioactivity were followed. Parent drug was no longer detectable by 12 and 24 hours by iv and oral administration; however, metabolites were still present in plasma at 168 hours. The half life was slightly longer with oral administration. Approximately 3/4 of the total radioactivity AUC was attributable to parent drug. In comparing plasma levels of TEM to CSF levels, CSF levels of TEM were approximately 40%, and of the CSF fraction, >95% of which is parent drug at up to 6 hours. Twenty to 27% of the drug was protein bound.

The majority of drug was excreted within the first 24 hours after administration. Urinary excretion was the primary route. No significant differences were seen between iv and oral administration indicating near total bioavailability.

Route	% dose in urine	% dose in feces	total % dose recovered
oral	78.1	2.80	82.8
Intravenous	82.6	2.19	86.2

The metabolites in plasma and urine were analyzed by / Although the plasma profile varied greatly with route and time, the primary form present was parent drug. During the first 4 hours, urine profile of TEM metabolites differed only slightly with iv and oral routes (percentages of each type of metabolite were similar, although the traces appeared to have more peaks with oral administration). The radioactivity recovered as parent drug in urine was 31% of the total dose by iv and 26% by po at 0-4 hours. The percentage of metabolites in urine vs. total urine levels of radioactivity are shown in the following table.

Pharmacokinetic Parameters of Radioactivity and SCH 52365 in Plasma Following Intravenous and Oral Administration of 200 mg of ¹⁴C-SCH 52365 to Male Rats

Parameter	Unit	IV	PO
		Total Radioactivity	
C _{max}	µg equiv/g	42.8	38.6
T _{max} ^a	hr	0.08	0.25
AUC (iv)	µg equiv-hr/g	102	120
% Absorbed	%	NA ^b	118
SCH 52365			
C _{max}	µg equiv/g	44.0	42.7
T _{max} ^a	hr	0.08	0.5
AUC (iv)	µg equiv-hr/g	78.0	87.5
AUC (i)	µg equiv-hr/g	78.6	87.6
t _{1/2}	hr	1.15	1.25
CL/F	mL/min	1.42	1.35
CL/F (µg)	mL/min/µg	8.44	5.95
V _{darea} /F	L	0.14	0.15
V _{darea} /F (µg)	L/µg	0.64	0.65
Bioavailability	%	NA ^b	111

a: Occurred at first evaluated time point

b: Not applicable for this dosing level.

Table 1 Urinary Metabolite Profiles of Radioactivity After IV and PO Administration to Male Rats.

Time (hr)	Intravenous: Percent of Total ¹⁴ C Analyzed				
	M1	M2	TMA	TMZ	AIC
12		1	3	89	24
25		1	4	89	11
63		0 ^a	2	96	16
83		2	1	3	4
91		1	0	1	0
83		0	0	0	0
Oral: Percent of Total ¹⁴ C Analyzed					
10	10	1	5	64	7
27	27	1	4	38	23
51	51	1	2	18	17
82	82	1	1	4	2
88	88	2	0	1	0
88	88	0	0	0	0

a: Radioactivity less than 1 percent of the run was reported as zero.

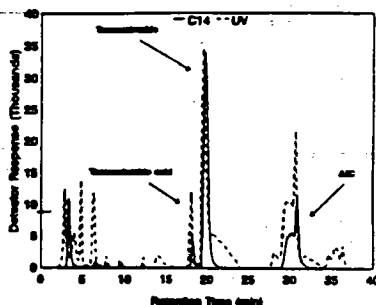
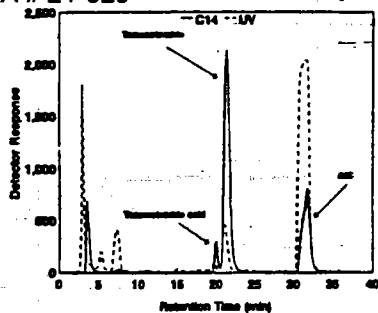


Figure 10. Metabolic Profile of Drug-Derived Radioactivity in Urine (0-4 hr) Following Intravenous Administration of 200-ug ¹⁴C-SCH 52365 to Male Rats.

Figure 11. Metabolic Profile of Drug-Derived Radioactivity in Urine (0-4 hr) Following Oral Administration of 200-ug ¹⁴C-SCH 52365 to Male Rats.

3. P-6371. SCH 52365: Tissue distribution of radioactivity by whole body autoradiography following a single oral administration of 14 C-SCH 52365 suspension to male rats.

Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1996 Dec. vol. 1.60

Conducted: Schering Plough Research Institute, Kenilworth NJ, March 1996.

Drug used: 14C-TEM, batch 31760-58-7

Vehicle: 0.4% methylcellulose

Dose: approximately 160 mg/m²

Route: oral gavage

Animals: male Sprague Dawley rats, 12 weeks old, 116-140 g; 2/ time point

Sample collection: 0.25, 1, 3, 6, 24, 168 hours post-dose

Method of analysis:

Results:

Although the reproductions were of relatively poor quality, it was obvious that the radioactivity was widespread including the brain by 15 minutes after administration. At 6 hours, radioactivity was seen primarily in the spleen, liver, thymus, kidney, bone marrow and intestinal wall. At 24 hours, radioactivity was still present in the gi tract, liver, kidney, and testes and had faded still further in these organs by 168 hours.

4. P-5949. SCH 52365: Absorption, distribution, and metabolism of 14 C-SCH 52365 following a single oral dose in the male rat. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1996 Dec. vol. 1.61

Conducted:

Drug used: 14C-TEM, batch 31760-58-7; "cold" drug: batch # 28395-129

Vehicle: 0.4% methylcellulose

Dose: 200 mg/m²

Route: oral gavage

Animals: male Cr:(LE)BR: Long-Evans rats, 5 rats/timepoint, Weights were 200-229 g.

Sample collection: 0.25, 2, 6, 12, 24, 72, 168 h: organs, blood/plasma

0-4, 4-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h: urine

0-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h: feces

Method of analysis:

Results:

At 15 minutes, the majority of the radioactivity is in the stomach and small intestine. With time, radiolabel is distributed primarily to the kidneys, liver, marrow and gi tract. Brain levels of radiolabel are higher than those in the plasma from 6 to 168 hours (3 fold higher at 6 hours to 35

fold at 168 hours, calculated half-life 122 hours although the "eyeball method" suggests a half-life closer to 70 hours). Significant and persistent quantities of radiolabel were also found in the adrenal glands, Harderian gland, thyroid, eyes, muscle, and testes. When the radioactivity is calculated as the percentage of the dose, the majority is found in the carcass. Even at 168 hours, approximately 15% of the dose is still in the animals. Between 0.10 and 0.23% of the total dose is present in the brain during the interval of observation.

Similar pharmacokinetics and excretion profiles to those in the previous experiments were obtained in this investigation.

Mean Concentrations of Radioactivity in Plasma and Tissues Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52385/m² Dose to Male Rats

Tissue	Mean Concentrations ¹⁴ C-SCH 52385 ^a						
	0.25 hr	2.0 hr	6.0 hr	12.0 hr	34.0 hr	72.0 hr	168.0 hr
Adrenal glands	22.0	31.8	32.2	32.3	38.9	21.2	12.7
Bone marrow (femur)	21.8	26.3	26.8	23.0	16.8	6.00	1.91
Brain	8.29	8.29	6.02	5.76	4.44	4.26	2.40
Carcass (total)	17.0	19.2	9.88	7.54	6.87	6.01	2.60
Eyes	14.1	21.0	14.5	16.4	10.2	8.52	6.05
Fat (intraperitoneal)	3.85	4.46	4.17	3.26	3.71	2.81	1.86
Harderian glands	17.8	22.1	18.7	17.8	17.9	14.8	8.76
Heart	18.8	17.9	12.8	16.2	6.73	6.88	4.72
Kidneys	31.0	61.8	68.7	66.6	52.1	26.3	22.1
Large intestine with contents	18.4	22.8	21.8	22.1	6.88	2.88	1.16
Liver	21.2	40.8	50.3	29.3	24.4	28.3	13.8
Lungs	20.4	22.8	26.4	28.3	28.8	22.8	13.8
Lymph nodes (mesenteric)	18.7	22.4	21.8	24.6	28.8	17.8	8.23
Muscle (blight)	18.6	17.2	8.76	4.84	4.84	2.24	2.20
Pancreas	17.1	16.1	13.3	11.4	12.3	6.02	6.21
Plasma	31.8	22.8	2.82	0.666	0.200	0.127	0.016
Skin (epigastrial area/dorsal/thorax)	20.2	22.8	12.0	9.47	6.12	7.97	1.22
Small intestine with contents	64.9	53.1	31.8	19.8	18.8	8.18	2.28
Spleen	18.6	26.1	26.9	23.8	22.7	24.0	11.0
Stomach with contents	700	88.7	11.8	3.88	4.14	2.73	2.88
Subcutaneous glands	19.8	28.5	28.8	24.2	28.1	18.4	11.5
Testes	7.28	20.8	11.4	6.28	5.28	7.88	8.80
Thymus	18.0	28.0	27.8	23.2	24.0	17.8	4.84
Thyroid	17.1	22.2	27.1	21.4	18.8	16.1	16.2

^a Mean concentrations determined from 5 rats per time point (Groups 1 and 2).

Pharmacokinetic Parameters^a of Total Radioactivity Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52385/m² Dose to Male Rats

Tissue	C _{max} (ng equivalent/g)	T _{max} (hr)	Cl ₀₋₂₄ (%)	t _{1/2} (hr)	AUC ₀₋₂₄ (ng equivalent-hr/g)	AUC ₀₋₁₆₈ (ng equivalent-hr/g)
Adrenal glands	22.2	6	0.0056	31.0	128	128
Bone marrow (femur)	21.8	2	0.0100	27.2	1,870	1,870
Brain	8.29	2	0.0001	221	748	1,470
Carcass (total)	17.0	2	0.0001	198	888	1,488
Eyes	14.1	2	0.0000	276	1,528	4,880
Fat (intraperitoneal)	3.85	2	0.0001	198	478	882
Harderian glands	17.8	6-24	0.0000	182	2,418	4,880
Heart	18.8	2	0.0001	148	1,288	2,240
Kidneys	31.0	2	0.0000	111	8,280	8,240
Large intestine with contents	18.4	2	0.0000	82.8	848	882
Liver	21.2	2	0.0072	96.1	4,370	6,180
Lungs	20.4	2	0.0077	96.1	4,370	6,180
Lymph nodes (mesenteric)	18.7	2	0.0000	120	4,880	4,880
Muscle (blight)	18.6	2	0.0007	88.4	2,880	3,900
Pancreas	17.1	2	0.0007	100	888	1,220
Plasma	17.1	6-24	0.0000	100	1,220	2,880
Skin (epigastrial area/dorsal/thorax)	20.2	2	0.0110	62.8	1,880	1,178
Small intestine with contents	64.9	2	0.0000	72.3	1,880	1,748
Spleen	18.6	2	0.0075	62.8	2,880	8,280
Stomach with contents	700	6-24	0.0000	117	1,220	1,220
Subcutaneous glands	19.8	2	0.0003	121	3,100	3,280
Testes	7.28	2	0.0000	228	1,220	2,280
Thymus	18.0	2	0.0115	82.2	2,880	2,918
Thyroid	17.1	2	0.0001	121	2,880	4,880

^a Pharmacokinetic parameters determined from total plasma concentration data of 5 rats per time point (Groups 1 and 2). The radioactivity half-life values for individual tissues were calculated for the one passage of decreasing plasma radioactivity exposure to baseline. The tissue half-life values in this table should be interpreted with caution.

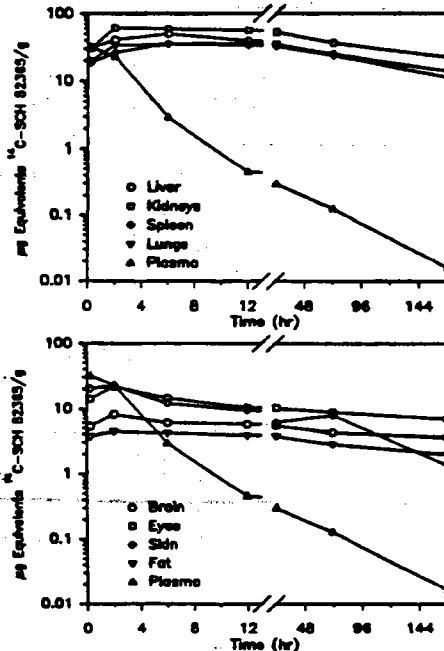
Cl₀₋₂₄: % excretion
 t_{1/2}: half-life
 AUC₀₋₂₄: area under the plasma or tissue concentration-time curve from time zero to 24 hr
 AUC₀₋₁₆₈: area under the plasma or tissue concentration-time curve from time zero to 168 hr.

Mean Amounts of Radioactivity in Plasma and Tissues Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52385/m² Dose to Male Rats

Tissue	Mean Percent of Radioactive Dose ^a						
	0.25 hr	2.0 hr	6.0 hr	12.0 hr	34.0 hr	72.0 hr	168.0 hr
Adrenal glands	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	<0.01
Bone marrow (femur)	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
Brain	0.16	0.22	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.12	0.10
Carcass (total)	48.9	53.4	26.3	20.8	18.7	14.6	8.88
Eyes	0.06	0.08	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03
Fat (intraperitoneal)	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.08
Harderian glands	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08
Heart	0.26	0.22	0.16	0.12	0.12	0.10	0.08
Kidneys	0.83	1.58	1.84	1.90	1.28	0.98	0.72
Large intestine with contents	1.03	1.88	2.81	1.82	1.88	0.51	0.21
Liver	3.88	4.28	6.10	6.18	5.83	4.80	2.82
Lungs	0.37	0.58	0.84	0.88	0.87	0.42	0.28
Lymph nodes (mesenteric)	0.02	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.03	<0.01
Muscle (blight)	0.22	0.44	0.17	0.13	0.13	0.11	0.08
Pancreas	0.21	0.14	0.17	0.17	0.20	0.18	0.11
Plasma	1.76	1.12	0.14	0.02	0.02	<0.01	<0.01
Skin (epigastrial area/dorsal/thorax)	0.29	0.88	0.28	0.28	0.17	0.21	0.08
Small intestine with contents	8.06	4.43	3.77	2.88	2.13	0.70	0.26
Spleen	0.18	0.22	0.27	0.28	0.22	0.18	0.08
Stomach with contents	28.2	2.97	1.97	0.28	0.49	0.57	0.18
Subcutaneous glands	0.12	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.14	0.08
Testes	0.28	0.88	0.47	0.41	0.28	0.28	0.28
Thymus	0.14	0.18	0.21	0.13	0.13	0.07	0.02
Thyroid	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
Total	81.0	73.4	48.8	38.4	31.7	22.8	18.2

^a Mean percent of radioactive dose determined from data of 5 rats per time point (Groups 1 and 2).

Mean Concentration of Radioactivity in Representative Tissues Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52385/m² Dose to Male Rats (Groups 1 and 2)



5. P-6263. SCH 52365: Tissue distribution of 14 C-SCH 52365 following a single oral dose in the female pigmented rat. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1996 Dec. vol. 1.62.

Conducted:

Drug used: 14C-TEM, batch 31760-58-7; "cold" drug: batch # 28395-129

Vehicle: 0.4% methylcellulose

Dose: 200 mg/m²

Route: oral gavage

Animals: female Crl:(LE)BR: Long-Evans rats, 5 rats/timepoint, 183-207 g.

Sample collection: 0.25, 2, 6, 12, 24, 72, 168 h: organs, blood/plasma

0-4, 4-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h: urine

0-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h: feces

Method of analysis:

Results:

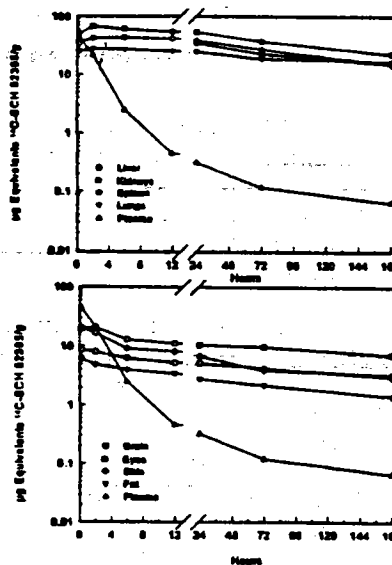
Within 15 minutes, high levels of label were found in the upper gi tract, bone marrow, and kidneys, with lesser amounts in the liver, thymus, lymph nodes, adrenals, heart, ovaries, and spleen. Levels in the brain were higher than those in plasma by 6 hours and ranged from approximately 3 to 40 fold between 6 and 168 hours. The majority of the total dose was found in the carcass, with high levels remaining in the kidney, and liver even at 168 hours. Percentage of dose in the brain ranged from 0.48 to 0.16% of the total radioactivity and a rough approximation of the half-life is 70 hours. Excretion profiles were a total of 2.85% of the dose in feces, 76.5% in urine and a total of 84% of the dose recovered by 168 hours. The largest percentage of label was excreted in the urine between 4 and 8 hours post dose.

Mean Concentrations of SCH 52365 and Radioactivity in Plasma Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² Dose to Female Rats

Time (hr)	Mean SCH 52365 Concentration in Plasma (µg/mL) ^{a,b}	Mean Radioactivity Concentration in Plasma (µg equivalent) ^{a,c}
0.25	40.9	45.9
2.0	16.6	22.7
6.0	1.49	2.63
12.0	ND	0.481
24.0	ND	0.335
72.0	ND	0.126
168.0	ND	0.066
C _{max}	40.9 µg/mL	45.9 µg equivalent ^c
T _{max}	0.25 hr	0.25 hr
AUC(0-∞)	91.6 µg-hr/mL	151 µg equivalent-hr/mL ^c

a: Concentration of 12- through 168-hr samples were 0 µg/mL.
 b: Mean concentrations determined from 5 rats per time point.
 c: Before pharmacokinetic parameters were calculated, plasma concentrations in µg equivalently were converted to µg equivalent/mL, by multiplying by the plasma density of 1 mL = 1.033 g.³

Figure 2. Mean Concentration of Radioactivity in Representative Tissues Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² Dose to Female Rats (Groups 1 and 2).



Mean (n=5) Concentrations of Radioactivity in Tissues and Residual Carcass Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² Dose to Female Rats

Mean (n=5) Amounts of Radioactivity in Plasma, Tissues, and Residual Carcass Following Oral Administration of a 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² Dose to Female Rats

Tissue	Mean µg Equivalency ^a						
	0.25 hr	2.0 hr	6.0 hr	12.0 hr	24.0 hr	72.0 hr	168.0 hr
Adrenal glands	27.5	32.5	38.5	27.8	24.2	17.8	12.7
Bone marrow (femur)	35.5	33.4	38.4	28.3	19.3	9.88	3.10
Brain	8.83	8.17	6.38	6.33	6.21	4.33	3.80
Carcass (residual)	25.3	18.2	9.88	8.87	6.27	4.85	3.17
Eyes	18.9	21.3	13.1	11.3	10.6	8.88	7.28
Fat (reproductive)	8.18	4.88	4.53	3.48	2.81	2.20	1.42
Hardener glands	28.8	23.1	19.2	17.8	16.7	15.3	11.8
Heart	32.7	20.8	11.1	8.41	8.81	5.87	6.75
Kidneys	50.8	68.5	61.8	68.1	84.4	37.7	22.7
Large intestine	24.8	24.0	28.2	18.3	14.4	10.7	8.28
Large intestine contents	2.03	1.85	8.84	3.75	8.884	8.837	8.888
Liver	37.2	43.1	48.0	42.8	38.0	23.0	18.1
Lungs	25.4	28.1	27.4	28.4	25.2	18.7	18.7
Lymph nodes	30.0	33.1	28.3	26.7	27.8	18.1	11.1
Muscle (high)	25.0	18.8	8.87	3.80	3.80	2.77	2.23
Ovaries	28.5	27.1	23.1	22.1	28.3	12.8	7.28
Pancreas	28.5	21.7	18.1	18.3	14.8	14.8	18.3
Skin (dorsal, pigmented, shaved)	20.8	17.0	8.33	8.27	8.84	3.88	3.31
Small intestine	38.8	33.4	32.8	28.8	17.8	7.17	4.34
Small intestine contents	28.8	8.85	8.12	8.84	2.83	8.488	8.188
Spleen	34.5	43.2	44.8	42.3	38.1	27.4	14.8
Stomach	82.0	24.8	28.8	17.1	16.7	12.4	8.84
Stomach contents	21.4	1.23	1.78	1.12	8.114	8.884	8.821
Subcutaneous glands	29.2	32.1	28.1	28.8	25.2	18.4	13.5
Thymus	38.0	24.2	28.4	25.1	21.5	18.4	8.18
Thyroid	38.0	27.3	28.8	24.8	23.2	13.6	11.8
Uterus	28.8	23.0	18.7	13.5	13.5	11.8	8.31

^a Mean concentrations determined from 5 rats per time point (Groups 1 and 2).
 45.7 32.7 26.3 8.43 8.24 0.13 8.07

Tissue	Mean Percent of Radioactive Dose ^a						
	0.25 hr	2.0 hr	6.0 hr	12.0 hr	24.0 hr	72.0 hr	168.0 hr
Adrenal glands	0.83	0.84	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.82	0.82
Bone marrow (femur)	0.82	0.82	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.808	0.808
Brain	0.48	0.48	0.38	0.31	0.28	0.24	0.18
Carcass (residual)	75.7	53.1	27.8	26.5	17.8	14.1	8.83
Eyes	8.88	8.88	8.85	8.84	8.84	8.83	8.83
Fat (reproductive)	8.31	8.30	8.23	8.20	8.17	8.13	8.08
Hardener glands	8.88	8.10	8.88	8.87	8.88	8.85	8.88
Heart	8.28	8.23	8.13	8.10	8.11	8.07	8.08
Kidneys	2.78	3.72	3.41	3.13	2.87	2.88	1.22
Large intestine	1.88	1.81	1.81	1.37	1.88	0.72	0.38
Large intestine contents	0.79	1.22	1.87	1.84	1.84	0.18	0.88
Liver	7.88	8.82	8.18	8.88	8.27	8.88	3.71
Lungs	1.18	1.18	1.17	1.88	1.88	8.82	8.79
Lymph nodes (paramedian)	0.12	0.18	0.12	0.88	0.87	0.88	8.82
Muscle (high)	1.88	2.88	8.43	8.33	8.41	8.23	8.25
Ovaries	8.87	8.88	8.88	8.88	8.84	8.88	8.88
Pancreas	8.43	8.34	8.21	8.18	8.20	8.24	8.11
Plasma	1.71	1.82	8.18	8.82	8.81	8.87	0.888
Skin (dorsal, shaved)	1.28	1.27	8.73	8.78	8.83	8.28	8.33
Small intestine	3.81	3.45	3.51	3.88	1.88	8.83	8.47
Small intestine contents	8.87	2.71	1.88	1.44	8.87	8.15	8.87
Spleen	8.24	8.27	8.28	8.27	8.23	8.18	8.88
Stomach	4.88	1.13	8.84	8.80	8.73	8.88	8.38
Stomach contents	4.74	8.38	8.83	8.27	8.88	8.82	0.888
Subcutaneous glands	8.18	8.17	8.18	8.18	8.14	8.12	8.88
Thymus	8.21	8.13	8.17	8.15	8.12	8.88	8.82
Thyroid	8.81	8.81	8.81	8.81	8.81	0.888	0.888
Uterus	8.18	8.14	8.12	8.88	8.87	8.87	8.82
Total	112	83.8	54.8	48.8	37.8	27.2	18.2

^a Mean percent of radioactive dose determined from data of 5 rats per time point (Groups 1 and 2).

6. P-6098. SCH 52365: Absorption, metabolism, excretion, and pharmacokinetics of ¹⁴C-SCH 52365 following a single oral or intravenous dose in the male dog. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1997 Jan. Vol. 1.63

Conducted: []

GLP: Yes

Drug used: ¹⁴C-TEM, batch 31760-122-8; "cold" drug: batch # 28395-129

Vehicle: 0.4% methylcellulose for oral; 20% DMSO in 0.9% NaCl for iv

Dose: 200 mg/m²

Route: oral gavage or intravenous

Animals: Male beagle dogs, 4 dogs/group, 9-12 months old, 11.3-13.2 kg.

Study design: po/iv crossover after 1 week: G1: iv then po, G2: po then iv; G3: po w/

CSF collection

Sample collection:

0.08, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1, 1.5, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24, 48, 72, 120 h: blood/plasma

0-4, 4-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h: urine

0-8, 8-24, 24-48, 48-72, 72-96, 96-120, 120-144, 144-168 h: feces

0.25, 1, 3, 6 h: CSF, blood

Method of analysis: []

Results:

All dogs vomited between 1.5 and 6 hours of dosing. Soft/reduced feces were also observed in treated dogs. There was no remarkable differences in the AUC between oral and intravenous administration of TEM in dogs (bioavailability calculated at 110%). While total radioactivity in the CSF was 54% of that in plasma, parent drug only accounted for 31% of the drug as compared to plasma. Protein binding is shown in the following table.

Total recovery of radiolabel was lower than that in the rat (65-69% of dose recovered). Again, the majority of label was excreted in the urine, with 2-3% in the feces. Excretion in urine was maximal in the first 24 hours.

Pharmacokinetic Parameters of Radioactivity and SCH 52365 in Plasma Following Intravenous and Oral Administration of 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² to Male Dogs

Parameter	Unit	IV	PO
		Total Radioactivity	
C _{max}	µg equiv/g	22.0	18.0
T _{max} ^a	hr	0.08	0.38
AUC (0-∞)	µg equiv-hr/g	74.7	73.6
% Absorbed	%	-	101
SCH 52365			
C _{max}	µg/mL	23.0	17.7
T _{max} ^a	hr	0.10	0.41
AUC (0-∞)	µg-hr/mL	36.3	38.5
AUC (l)	µg-hr/mL	37.1	39.7
t _{1/2}	hr	1.43	1.65
CL/F	mL/min	54.3	49.8
CL/F (kg)	mL/min/kg	4.47	4.12
V _{darea} /F	L	6.75	7.07
V _{darea} /F (kg)	L/kg	0.56	0.59
Bioavailability	%	-	110

a: First evaluated time point.

All pharmacokinetic parameters are based on mean concentration-time data of 8 dogs in a two way cross-over design.

Mean Concentration of Radioactivity and SCH 52365 in Plasma and CSF and Pharmacokinetic Parameters Following Oral Administration of 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² Dose to Male Dogs

Hr	Mean Concentration					
	Total Radioactivity ^a		SCH 52365 ^b			
	Plasma ^c	CSF ^d	Plasma	CSF		
0.25 ^e	4.12	0.346	5.08	0.38		
1	8.84	2.96	15.1	2.75		
3	8.13	6.02	11.1	3.46		
6	4.53	3.04	4.28	1.48		
Parameter	Unit	Unit	Unit	Unit		
C _{max}	µg equiv/g	10.9 ^f	6.02 ^f	µg/mL	11.8 ^g	3.58 ^g
T _{max}	hr	2.0	3.0	hr	2.3 ^g	2.0
AUC (0-∞)	µg equiv-hr/g	43.8	23.8	µg-hr/mL	47.2 ^g	14.8
CSF/Plasma	%	-	54.3	%	-	31.4

a: First evaluated timepoint.

b: Units of total radioactivity (µg equiv/g).

c: Units of SCH 52365 (µg/mL).

d: Plasma data are a mean from 4 dogs per timepoint in Group 1.

e: CSF samples are a mean from 4 dogs per timepoint in Group 3.

f: Mean of individual C_{max} values.

g: Mean of 3 dogs only. Dog No. HD6520 appeared to be an outlier and was excluded from the mean.

Mean Percent of Drug-Derived Radioactivity Bound to Dog Plasma Proteins Following Oral Administration of 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² Dose to Male Dogs

Hr	Mean Percent Bound (%CV)
0.25	45.9 (8.34) ^a
1	31.8 (12.4) ^b
3	24.2 (21.3) ^b
6	14.0 (26.5) ^b

a: n=3.

b: n=4.

Mean Recovery of Radioactive Dose (%CV)				
Matrix	IV ^a	(%CV)	PO ^b	(%CV)
Plasma	0.22	8.06	0.23	2.57
Cage wash/wipe	0.46	34.3	0.96	63.1
Cage rinse	2.83	28.7	3.80	30.9
Emesis	0.29	61.1	1.74	54.8
Feces	2.35	28.5	2.57	48.0
Urine	58.5	3.70	60.5	6.58
Total	64.6	4.26	69.8	3.03

a: Mean Data from 4 dogs in Group 1, Phase 1.

b: Mean Data from 4 dogs in Group 2, Phase 1.

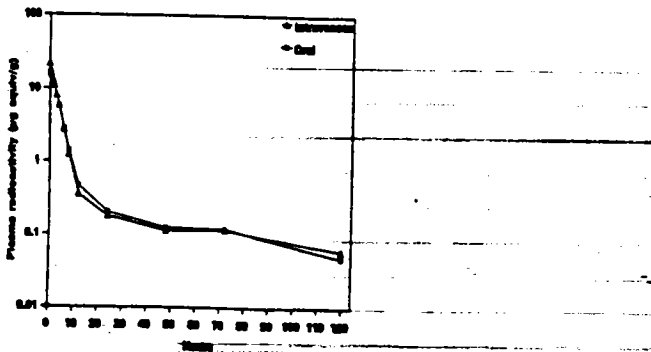
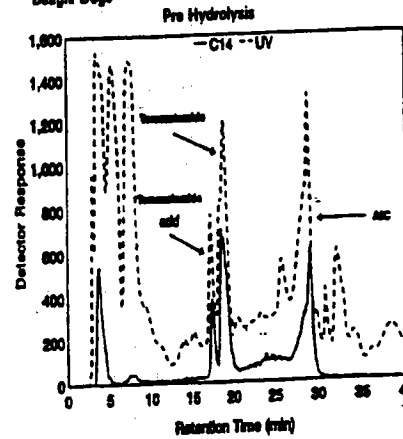


FIGURE 1. Mean Concentration of Radioactivity in Plasma Following Intravenous and Oral Administration of 200 mg ¹⁴C-SCH 52365/m² to Male Dogs.

Table 2 Urinary Metabolite Profiles of Radioactivity After IV and PO Administration of ¹⁴ C-SCH 52365 to Male Dogs					
Time (hr)	Intravenous: Percent of Total ¹⁴ C Analyzed				
	M1 ^a	M2 ^b	TMA	TMZ	AIC
15	15	1	7	25	50
50	2	2	7	9	33
52	1	1	4	3	23
87	0	0	0	0	1
96	0	0	0	0	2
99	1	0	0	0	0
Oral: Percent of Total ¹⁴ C Analyzed					
18	1	1	9	32	34
37	2	2	6	12	8
39	5	5	0	5	27
80	3	3	0	0	6
96	1	1	0	0	0
37	0	0	0	0	0

a: Retention time = 3.5-3.6 min
 b: Retention time = 6.8-7.0 min

Figure 22. Metabolite Profile of Drug-Derived Radioactivity in Urine (0-4 hr) Following Intravenous Administration of ¹⁴C-SCH 52365 Solution to Beagle Dogs



7. P-6072. SCH 52365: Single-dose two-way crossover comparative bioavailability study of formulated versus unformulated SCH 52365 capsules in dogs. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1996 Dec. vol. 1.64.

The AUC₀₋₂₄ for the two formulations were not statistically different (18.3 vs 17.9 ug•hr/mL).

8. P-6478. SCH 52365: Pharmacokinetics of SCH 52365 and its metabolite MTIC following a single oral suspension administration of SCH 52365 to male and female rats. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1998 Mar. vol. 1.65

Conducted: Schering Plough Research Institute, Kenilworth, NJ in Nov. 1996.

Drug used: batch # 36438-023

Vehicle: 0.4% methylcellulose

Dose: 200 mg/m² (actual dose 255 mg/m²)

Route: oral gavage

Animals: Sprague Dawley rats, 36/sex (3/timepoint), M: 231 g, F: 193 g

Sample collection: 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1, 1.5, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24 h: blood/plasma

Method of analysis: []

Results:

The plasma kinetics of both TEM and MTIC are shown in the following tables and graphs. Both MTIC and TEM have similar T_{max} and half lives and kinetics were similar in both genders. MTIC AUC levels are approximately 2% of the parent drug levels. Urinary MTIC was not measured.

Table 2 Pooled Plasma Concentrations and Pharmacokinetic Parameters of SCH 52365 Following A Single Oral Suspension Administration of SCH 52365 to Male and Female Rats.

Hour	Unit	SCH 52365 Plasma Concentration ^a (µg/mL)	
		Male	Female
Cmax	µg/mL	21.5	31.4
Tmax	hr	0.75	0.25
t1/2	hr	1.17	1.22
tf	hr	8	8
AUC(tf)	µg-hr/mL	54.4	55.7
AUC(l)	µg-hr/mL	55.2	56.4

a: n=3 rats/gender/time point

Table 3 Pooled Plasma Concentrations and Pharmacokinetic Parameters of MTIC Following A Single Oral Suspension Administration of SCH 52365 to Male and Female Rats.

Hour	Unit	MTIC Plasma Concentration ^a (µg/mL)	
		Male	Female
Cmax	µg/mL	0.329	0.385
Tmax	hr	0.50	1.00
t1/2	hr	1.64	1.35
tf	hr	8	6
AUC(tf)	µg-hr/mL	1.00	1.11
AUC(l)	µg-hr/mL	1.04	1.17
Ratio ^b	%	1.88	2.07

c: n=3 rats/gender/timepoint
 b: AUC(t)_{MTIC}/AUC(t)_{SCH 52365}

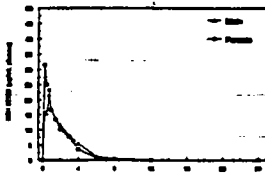


Figure 1 Pooled Plasma Concentrations of SCH 52365 Following A Single Oral Suspension Administration of SCH 52365 to Male and Female Rats.

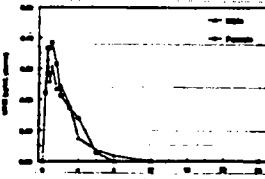


Figure 2 Pooled Plasma Concentrations of MTIC Following A Single Oral Suspension Administration of SCH 52365 to Male and Female Rats.

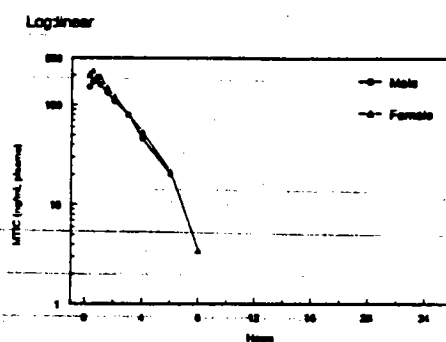
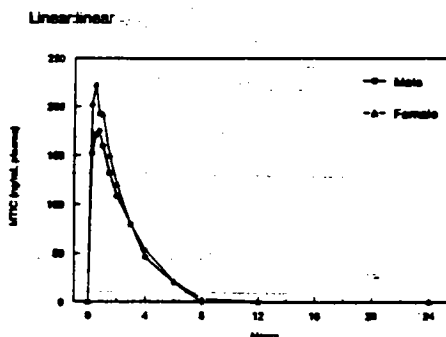
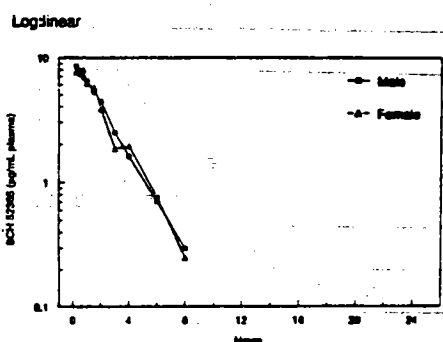
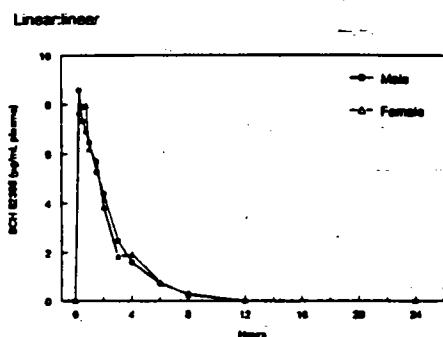


Figure 1 Mean Plasma Concentrations of SCH 52365 Following a Single Oral Administration of SCH 52365 Suspension to Male and Female Dogs.

Figure 2 Mean Plasma Concentrations of MTIC Following a Single Oral Administration of SCH 52365 Suspension to Male and Female Dogs.

10. D-26672. SCH 52365: Stability of temozolomide and MTIC (active metabolite), and HPLC quantitation of MTIC in human plasma. Kenilworth (NJ): Schering-Plough Research Institute; 1993 Jun.

By _____ at room temperature, TEM was stable for about 15 minutes, while MTIC was stable for approximately 30 minutes. TEM degraded to trace amounts of MTIC and a majority of AIC. MTIC degraded to AIC. At 4°C, TEM was stable for 30 minutes and MTIC for 1 hour. TEM was more stable under acidic conditions where MTIC rapidly degraded, while MTIC was more stable under basic conditions, where TEM degraded.

11. Tsang LLH, Farmer PB, Gescher A, Slack JA. Characterization of urinary metabolites of temozolomide in humans and mice and evaluation of their cytotoxicity. Cancer Chemother. Pharmacol. 1990;26:429-436. Vol. 1.67.

Drug used: 14C-TEM from _____

Vehicle: 10% DMSO in saline _____

Dose: 40 mg/kg (120 mg/m²—noted as being non-toxic, but efficacious)

Route: ip _____

Animals: Balb/c mice; urine obtained from patients treated with 200-920 mg/m²

Sample collection: 8 hour intervals for 72 hours: urine, respired air

Method of analysis: _____

Results:

In the mouse, up to 52% of the radiolabel was excreted in the urine while an additional 30% of the radiolabel was excreted in respired air. In the urine, 39% of the dose was excreted

unchanged. An additional 3% of drug was excreted in the feces, while 8% was associated with the carcass (total recovery 93%). Three peaks were found in the human patient urine: parent drug, temozolomide acid (3-methyl-2,3-dihydro-4-oxoimidazo[5,1-d]-tetrazine-8-carboxylic acid, also found in mouse) and a second unidentified metabolite. The cytotoxicity of the temozolomide acid was almost equivalent to that of temozolomide in TLX5 lymphoma cells (approximately 5 mg/L).

12 Slack JA, Goddard C, Stevens MFG, Baig GU, Griffin MJ. The analysis and murine pharmacokinetics of a new antitumor agent: CCRG 81045. J. of Pharm. and Pharmacology 1986;38:63P. Vol. 1.58.

An system with an internal standard, detection at 325 nm, and limit of detection of 10 ng/mL was described. At 37°C, the half life of TEM in phosphate buffer was 89.3 minutes. No decomposition in DMSO over 14 weeks was observed. Pharmacokinetics in the mouse are shown in the table below (dose, 20 mg/kg, in male Balb/c).

Route	Cmax (mg/L)	Elimination t _{1/2} (h)	AUC ₀₋₈ (mg•hr/L)
IP	25.8	1.13	36.71
PO	34.8	1.29	36.56

Summary of Pharmacokinetics

The pharmacokinetics and excretion of TEM has been investigated in the mouse, rat, dog and human. With the exception of the mouse, the dosing was administered as a body surface area dose (not back calculated from a body weight normalization). Due to the instability of TEM in plasma at room temperature (t_{1/2} = 15 minutes), samples were acidified at collection. MTIC, a major metabolite and the putative active moiety, is unstable in acid or plasma (t_{1/2} = 5.5 minutes). Thus, the two components could not be analyzed concurrently.

AUC and Cmax for rat, dog and human were within a factor of 2 of each other (mouse was closer to 3 fold difference). Little inter-experimental variability was noted. In the rat and dog, the Cmax levels were similar by measurement. However, the AUC values measured by the two techniques differed greatly. This is not unexpected with an extensively metabolized compound. Bioavailability based on plasma levels was near 100% in each species. Little difference in ADME parameters were noted with gender in any species tested.

There was also good agreement between the toxicokinetic data from multiple day dosing and that in the single dose experiments. Only TEM itself was measured. AUC was linear with dose in both rat and dog, as well as being linear over a range from 25 to 1000 mg/m². Human data correlated well with other species both in Cmax and AUC levels. No significant accumulation of parent drug was seen between day 1 and day 5.

TEM/ MTIC	Ref #	Dose mg/m ²	Species	Sex	Route	Detection method	Cmax ug/mL	AUC ug•hr/ml	Half-life hours	Bioavail- ability
TEM	12	60	MOUSE	M	IP		25.8	36.7	1.13	—
TEM	12	60	MOUSE	M	PO		34.8	36.6	1.29	100%
TEM	2	200	RAT	M	IV		42.8	102	—	—
TEM	2	200	RAT	M	IV		44.0	78	1.15	—
TEM	2	200	RAT	M	PO		36.6	120	—	118%
TEM	2	200	RAT	M	PO		42.7	87.5	1.25	111%
TEM	4	200	RAT	M	PO		31.8	135	35	—
TEM	5	200	RAT	F	PO		45.9	151	—	—
TEM	5	200	RAT	F	PO		40.9	91.6	—	—
TEM	8	255	RAT	M	PO		21.5	54.4	1.17	—
MTIC	8	255	RAT	M	PO		0.329	1.00	1.64	—
TEM	8	255	RAT	F	PO		31.4	55.7	1.22	—
MTIC	8	255	RAT	F	PO		0.385	1.11	1.35	—
TEM	6	200	DOG	M	IV		22.0	74.7	—	—
TEM	6	200	DOG	M	IV		23.0	36.3	1.43	—
TEM	6	200	DOG	M	PO		18.0	73.6	—	101%
TEM	6	200	DOG	M	PO		17.7	38.5	1.65	110%
TEM	9	250	DOG	M	PO		9.2	16.3	1.58	—
MTIC	9	250	DOG	M	PO		0.186	0.502	1.57	—
TEM	9	250	DOG	F	PO		8.5	20.5	1.68	—
MTIC	9	250	DOG	F	PO		0.223	0.586	1.61	—

Species	Experiment	dose (mg/m ²)	AUC (ug•hr/mL)
Rat	3 cycle*	0	0
		25	5.4
		50	9.1
		200	29.2
	6 cycle	0	0
		25	5.8
		50	9.6
		125	22.3
Dog	1 cycle HD	0	0
		200	31.2
		500	69.4
		1000	109.1
	1 cycle LD	25	2.5
		50	6.1
		125	16.5
	3 cycle	25	3.2
		50	6.4
		125	16.5
	6 cycle	25	3.9
		50	7.4
		125	18.8
Human	1 cycle	100	15.5
		150	17
		200	33.2
		250	43

The metabolic fate of TEM is shown in the following figure. It is interesting to note that in both rat and dog, the putative active metabolite, MTIC, accounted for 2-3% of the total plasma drug level (based on AUC). Elimination half lives were between 1.1 and 1.7 hours by the method for both TEM and MTIC. Overall label half-life was approximately 30 fold longer which would be logical if a final metabolite, AIC, is incorporated in biochemical pathways. Metabolism, based on the profiles in rat and dog was slightly more extensive by the oral route (greater number of peaks).

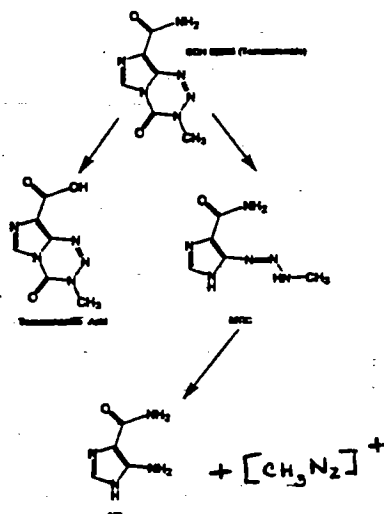


Figure 12. Proposed Metabolism and/or Degradation Products of SDH 8226.

Although the actual percentage varies, the majority of drug is excreted in the urine by rat, dog and mouse. Total recovery is rarely greater than 90% even with 7 days collection; again suggesting incorporation into normal biochemical processes.

Excretion of ^{14}C -TEM following a single dose (% of total dose excreted by each route)							
Species	Sex	Route	% other	% urine	% feces	% carcass	% total recovery*
Mouse	M	IP	30% respiratory	52%	3%	8%	93%
Rat	M	PO	1.4% bile	41%	2%	27%	87%
	M	IV	1.6% bile	34%	1%	36%	76%
	M	PO	—	78%	3%	—	83%
	M	IV	—	83%	2%	—	86%
	F	PO	—	76%	3%	—	84%
Dog	M	PO	—	60%	3%	—	70%
	M	IV	—	58%	2%	—	65%

* % total recovery also includes cage washings

TEM showed relatively broad distribution outside the blood stream. Initially, the ^{14}C -label was primarily found in the gut and kidney. A comparison of brain vs plasma AUCs shows that the exposure of TEM in the brain is actually 5.5 fold higher than that in plasma in the male rat. Half-life of radiolabel in the brain is around 70 hours. Radiolabel persisted in most tissues for up to 7 days at levels greater than those seen in the plasma. These tissues included liver, kidney, spleen, lungs, brain, eyes, skin, and fat.

III. TOXICOLOGY**1. P-5987. Three-cycle oral toxicity study of SCH 52365 in rats**

Conducted at:

When conducted: June-Sept 1993

GLP: YES

Drug Lot #: INV # 920236001, BA # 28396-103 (AJ-A8/2), RIC # 17505912

Formulation: 0.4% methylcellulose

Doses: 0, 25, 50, 200 mg/m²

Schedule: DX5 q 28 days X 3 cycles

Species used: Sprague Dawley

plus rats, 6 weeks old, M: 208-256 g, F:

167-216 g

#/sex/dose: 30/sex/dose for toxicity study; 60/sex/dose for plasma analysis

Last day of observation: 85

Measurements and Observations:

Twice daily: mortality and clinical signs

Weekly: body weight

Days 6, 34, 62; days 12, 40, 68; days 28, 56, 84: hematology, serum chemistry in

10/sex/dose (corresponds to day 6, 12, 28 for each cycle)

Days 27, 55, 83; urinalysis (4 and 24 hours after dosing)

Plasma PK: 5/sex/group at predose, 15, 30 minutes, 1, 2, 4 hours first and last days of dosing.

Termination: 10/sex/dose on day 62, 20/sex/dose on day 85: gross pathology, organ weights, histopathology

Mortality and clinical signs:

All rats survived to scheduled sacrifice. Clinical signs included alopecia, masses (2/30 HD M, 18 HD females), rough haircoat. Masses in the inguinal and thoracic regions were apparent as early as day 57 in females, day 78 in the 2 males (thoracic only).

Body weight and food consumption:

Only HD males showed statistically and biologically relevant decreases in body weight. Weight losses in the males did not recover prior to the next cycle of TEM and are shown in the following table. Food consumption dropped by approximately 10% during the dosing period.

Cycle	Day	% decrease in body weight vs. controls	
		HD Males	HD Females
Cycle 1	Day 1	—	—
	Day 8	10%	4%
Cycle 2	Day 1	8%	2%
	Day 8	13%	6%
Cycle 3	Day 1	10%	4%
	Day 8	14%	5%
Final Sac	after fast	14%	3%
body weight gain	Day 1-85	26%	14%

Hematology:

Changes in hematologic parameters are shown in the following table. Platelet and WBC reductions were relatively similar with multiple cycles of drug. Reductions in WBC # reflected reductions in segmented neutrophils, monocytes and lymphocytes. Reductions in platelet number were less severe with repeated exposure to TEM.

% change as compared to controls							
	Cycle #	Males			Females		
		Day 6	Day 12	Day 28	Day 6	Day 12	Day 28
RBC #	1	↓6% H	—	—	↓7% H	—	—
	2	↓7% H	—	—	↓11% H	—	—
	3	↓10% H	—	—	↓10% H	—	↓15% H
Retic #	1	↓89% H	↓34% H	—	↓93% H	↓43% H	—
	2	↓>90% H	—	—	↓>95% H	—	—
	3	↓20% L/M, ↓67% H	—	—	↓31% L,M; ↓84% H	—	—
Platelet #	1	—	↓19% L, M; ↓49% H	—	—	↓11% L, ↓18% M, ↓45% H	—
	2	↓16% H	↓15% H	—	—	↓13% M, ↓34% H	—
	3	↓23% H	↓10% H	—	—	↓12% M, ↓19% H	—
WBC #	1	↓27% L,M; ↓60% H	—	—	↓15% L, ↓47% H	—	—
	2	↓22% L, M; ↓52% H	↓26% H	↓20% H	↓27% L, M; ↓50% H	↓32% H	↓23% M, ↓23% H
	3	↓12% M, ↓43% H	↓25% H	↓25% H	↓12% L, ↓27% M, ↓50% H	↓10% M, ↓42% H	—

Serum Chemistry:

Changes in serum chemistry parameters were minimal and occurred mostly in the HD rats during the first cycle. Glucose was increased on day 6 in the males and females by 10-25%. Globulin was decreased by 20% or less during all three cycles on day 6 or 12.

Gross Pathology:

There were more observations in the females than in the males. The majority of changes were seen only at HD and are summarized in the following table.

Incidence of macroscopic observations in the 3 cycle rat study				
	Males		Females	
	Interim	Final	Interim	Final
Mammary gland-mass	—	—	2/10 H	17/20 H
Thymus-small	3/10 M 6/10 H	—	1/10 M 1/10 H	
Thoracic cavity- adhesion	1/10 H	—	—	—
Abdominal cavity-adhesion/mass	—	1/20 M	—	—
Subcutaneous tissue mass	—	1/20 H	—	—
Skin-mass	—	1/20 H	—	—
Uterus-mass	—	—	—	1/20 H
Uterus-lumen fluid	—	—	1/10 C 2/10 L, M 3/10 H	1/20 L
Spleen-enlarged	—	—	—	1/20 H
Kidney-depressed area	—	—	—	1/20 M,H
Stomach-thickened mucosa/wall	—	—	—	1/20 H

Organ weights:

Thymic weight was significantly reduced in all dose groups immediately following dosing for the third cycle (day 62), but mostly resolved by the end of the third 28 day course (day 85). Changes in organ weights are shown in the following table.

% change in organ weight as compared to controls								
	Males				Females			
	Interim		Final		Interim		Final	
	Abs	Rel	Abs	Rel	Abs	Rel	Abs	Rel
Thymus	↓18% L ↓37% M ↓53% H	↓14% L ↓32% M ↓45% H	— — ↓14% H	— — —	↓20% L ↓46% M ↓65% H	↓19% L ↓47% M ↓60% H	— — —	— — —
Spleen	↑18% H	—	↑18% H	—	↑26% H	↑19% H	↑30% H	↑33% H
Kidney	—	↑12% H	—	—	—	↑12% H	—	↑11% H
Liver	—	↑17% H	—	—	—	—	↑29% H	↑33% H
Testes	↑23% H	↑10% H	↑19% H	—	—	—	—	—
Prostate	—	—	↑14% H	—	—	—	—	—
Epididymis	↑13% H	—	↑18% H	—	—	—	—	—
Ovary	—	—	—	—	—	—	↑17% H	↑20% H

Histopathology:

The most relevant changes at the microscopic level were thymic lymphoid depletion at interim sacrifice (recovered by the end of the cycle), syncytial cells in the testes/epididymis, marrow hypocellularity and mammary carcinoma (either in situ or as invasive). Some gi toxicity was seen in females and consisted of crypt epithelial necrosis in the intestines and non-dose

dependent ulceration/edema/necrosis in the stomach. Incidences of these findings, as well as other observations that may increase in incidence with longer exposure are summarized in the following table.

Incidence of microscopic observations				
Observation	Males		Females	
	Interim Sac n=10	Final Sac n=20	Interim Sac n=10	Final Sac N=20
Spleen—capsule fibrosis	1 H	—	—	—
Spleen—lymphoid depletion	—	—	4 H	—
Liver—chr. inflammation	1 H	3 C, 1 M	—	—
Liver—necrosis	1 L, 1 H	3 C, 2 M	—	—
Testes—syncytial cells	10 H	20 H	—	—
Epididymis—syncytial cells	10 H	2 H	—	—
Thymus—lymphoid depletion	6 L, 10 M, 10 H	—	6 L, 10 M, 10 H	—
Marrow—hypocellular	4 H	—	8 H	—
Marrow—hemorrhage	—	—	10 H	—
Skin—chr. active inflammation	1 M, 1 H	1 L	1 H	1 M
Skin—necrosis	1 H	—	—	—
Thoracic cavity—adhesion	1 H	—	—	—
Abdominal cavity—adhesion	—	1 M	—	—
Duodenum—crypt epithelial necrosis	—	—	8 H	—
Jejunum—crypt epithelial necrosis	—	—	5 H	—
Ileum—crypt epithelial necrosis	—	—	2 H	—
Cecum—crypt epithelial necrosis	—	—	6 H	—
Colon—crypt epithelial necrosis	—	—	7 H	—
Mammary—carcinoma in situ	—	—	5 H	6 H
Mammary—carcinoma	—	4 H	2 H	18 H*
Mammary—benign fibroma	—	—	—	1 H
Lung—alv./bronc. epithelial hyperplasia	—	1 H	—	—
Stomach—ulcer	—	—	—	1 L
Stomach—edema/necrosis/suppurative inflammation	—	—	—	2 H
Uterus—deciduoma	—	—	—	1 H
Eye—suppurative inflammation	—	—	—	1 H
Mand. LN—lymphoid hyperplasia	—	—	—	1 M
Ovary—cyst	—	—	—	1 M, 1 H

* of the 18 females with mammary carcinoma, 15 had carcinomas at multiple sites

Plasma levels of TEM were only measured out to 4 hours for pharmacokinetic determinations. The % CV was usually around 30%, although it did rise as high as 42%. No significant changes were noted in AUC between genders or over time (suggesting no accumulation of drug). Tmax ranged between 30 minutes and 1 hour. AUC was close to linear with dose.

Dose (mg/m ²)	Day	Cmax ^a	Tmax ^a	AUC(tf) ^a
25	1	3.28	0.50	7.06
	5	2.06	0.50	4.82
	29	2.14	0.50	4.87
	33	2.49	0.50	5.07
	57	2.59	0.50	5.77
	61	2.45	0.50	4.79
50	1	4.84	0.50	10.0
	5	3.88	0.50	9.23
	29	3.63	0.50	8.57
	33	4.21	0.50	8.67
	57	4.39	0.25	9.38
	61	4.33	0.50	8.62
200	1	17.4	0.50	37.5
	5	15.4	0.50	32.2
	29	11.1	1.00	25.8
	33	13.1	0.50	26.5
	57	13.3	0.50	27.9
	61	15.0	0.50	25.6

a Pharmacokinetic parameters were determined from mean plasma concentration-time data from all rats.

Cmax µg/ml Maximum plasma concentration
 Tmax hr Time of maximum plasma concentration
 AUC(tf) µg·hr/ml Area under the plasma concentration-time curve from time zero to time of final quantifiable sample

2. P-6054. Six-cycle oral toxicity study of SCH 52365 in rats.

Conducted at:

When conducted: March-September, 1994

GLP: Yes

Route: oral gavage

Vehicle: 0.4% aqueous methylcellulose

Drug Lot #: RMA #A-930250, BA #28395-103,[AJ-A8.2], RIC # 17505912

Dosing: 0, 25, 50, 125 mg/m²/day

Schedule: DX5 Q 28 days X 6 cycles (i.e. D1-5, 29-33, 57-61, 85-89, 113-117, 141-145)

Species: Sprague Dawley /plus rats; 7 weeks old, M: 199-254 g; F: 145-

192 g

#/sex/dose: 35/sex/dose for toxicity; 60/sex/dose for PK determination

Duration of observation: D146 (interim sac), D169 (final sac)

Measurements and Observations:

Twice daily: mortality and clinical signs

Pretest, weekly: body weight, food consumption

Pretest, D5, 33, 61, 89, 117, 145, 166: ophthalmoscopy

Day 6, 12, 27/28 for each cycle (15, 10, 10 rats/timepoint) serum chemistry, hematology, urinalysis

Day 1, 5 of 1st, 3rd, and 6th cycle: blood for PK determinations

Termination: gross pathology, organ weights, histopathology

Mortality and clinical signs:

Deaths are summarized in the following table.

	Males		Females	
	# Dead	Day(s) of death (week #)	# dead	Day(s) of death (week #)
Control	0	—	0	
LD	1	161 (23)	0	
MD	1	144 (21)	0	
HD	8	44(7), 90(13), 120(28), 127(19), 2@140(20), 158(23) 162(24)	10	56(8), 124(18), 130(19), 138(20), 140(20), 143(21), 146(21), 2@158(23), 161(23)

With the exceptions of hypoactivity/hunched posture, convulsion and respiratory difficulties in a few of the early death rats, there did not appear to be a good correlation between incidence of masses, swollen thoracic/inguinal area or other damage between survivors and early death animals. In males the following signs occurred dose dependently: cold to touch, hunched posture, limited use of hind limbs, swollen thoracic/cervical/abdominal/inguinal region (HD only), thin appearance, convulsion (1 HD only), red urine, mucoid feces, corneal abrasions, exophthalmus, eye ulceration, hair loss, and tissue masses (mostly cervical, abdominal, seen in 1 MD, and 6 HD males). Signs were similar in the females with the addition of head tilt, ulceration of the eye (not dose dependent), and an increase in the number of animals with small and/or large masses (2 MD and 31 HD).

Ophthalmoscopy:

Changes were seen at very low incidence (1-2/35) and included congestion of the iris/anterior chamber, and cornea opacity/neovascularization/scarring/perforation.

Body weight and food consumption:

Body weight changes are summarized in the following table. Body weight decrements in the HD groups were increased with each cycle of dosing. Food consumption dipped during the first week of each cycle by <10% in the MD and HD groups.

% decrease in body weight at HD as compared to controls				
	Males		Females	
	Day 1	Day 8	Day 1	Day 8
Cycle 1	—	7%	—	7%
Cycle 2	4%	8%	5%	8%
Cycle 3	8%	10%	7%	10%
Cycle 4	8%	10%	9%	10%
Cycle 5	9%	11%	9%	10%
Cycle 6	9%	12%	7%	13%
Overall wt gain	↓8% @ MD, 28% @ HD		↓16% @ MD, 21% @ HD	

Hematology:

Cycle #	Day of cycle	Males			Females		
		RBC #	PLT #	WBC #	RBC #	PLT #	WBC #
1	6	---	↑20%	↓17%L,M ↓44% H	---	↑18% M ↑11% H	↓18% L ↓24% M ↓36% H
	12	---	↓14%L ↓19%M ↓38% H	↓39% H	---	↓11% M ↓17% H	↓12% H
	28	---	---	---	---	---	---
2	6	---	---	↓25% M ↓34% H	---	↑13% H	↓26% L,M ↓40% H
	12	---	↓11% M ↓19% H	---	---	↓31% H	↓22% H
	28	---	---	↓17% H	---	---	↓19% H
3	6	---	↑15% H	↓16% M ↓34% H	---	---	↓13% L ↓16% M ↓40% H
	12	---	↓22% H	↓23% H	---	↓12% M ↓21% h	↓23% H
	28	---	---	↓20% H	---	---	↓12% H
4	6	---	↑10% H	↓16% M ↓36% H	---	---	↓16% M ↓33% H
	12	---	↓22% H	↓32% H	---	↓20% H	---
	28	---	---	↓18% H	---	---	---
5	6	↓10%	↑16% H	↓13% M ↓33% H	↓11% H	---	↓10% M,H
	12	---	↓21% H	↓19% H	↓32% H	↓31% H	↑109% H
	28	↓16%	---	---	↓22% H	↓28% H	↑80% H
6	6	---	↑11% H	↓25% H	↓37% H	---	↑26% H
	12	---	↓20% H	↓11% H	↓18% H	↓27% H	↑118% H
	28	---	↑18% H	↓14% H	↓25% H	↓35% H	↑118% H

Serum Chemistry:

With the exception of the rats that were about to die, changes in serum chemistry parameters were minimal, particularly in the males. In the HD rats about to die, BUN was elevated <10 fold, while AST/ALT/ALP were elevated by up to 50 fold (calcium was increased in 2 HD females by 40%). In the surviving rats, changes of 10-20% as compared to controls were seen in globulin (decreases cycles 2-4 males, 5-6 females), glucose (increases in cycle 2-3 only, both sexes), inorganic phosphate (increases in females cycles 3, 5, 6) and potassium (decreases in females cycle 3-6).

Urinalysis: No significant changes in urinary parameters were seen with treatment.

Gross Pathology:

The observations in early death, interim sacrifice and final sacrifice are shown in the following table.

Macroscopic Observations in 6 cycle rat study

Description	Males		Females	
	Early death	Interim Sac	Final Sac	Early death
Abdominal cavity-fluid/adhesions				
Abdominal cavity—mass	2/8 H		1/13 H	
Adrenal-mass	2/8 H			
Adrenal-enlarged	1/1 L, M			
Brain-ventral surface indented	2/8 H			1/14 H
Brain-raised area	2/8 H			1/14 H
Brain-dark area	1/1 L			
Eye-exophthalmus				
Eye-internal opacity		1/14 H		1/14 H
Eye-ulceration	2/8 H		1/13 H	2/14 H
Harderian gland-mass				1/14 H
Head-coronal area-mass	1/8 H			
Kidney-pelvis dilated	1/1 M, 2/8 H			
Kidney-enlarged	1/1 M, 1/8 H		1/13 H	
Kidney-dilated, enlarged, irregular, pale, mottled	1/1 M			
Kidney-pale				
Liver-dark area	1/1 L, 2/8 H		1/19 M	2/11 H
Liver-enlarged	1/1 L, 1/1 M, 1/8 H		1/20 C, 2/19 M, 2/13 H	
Liver-friable/mottled				1/11 H
Liver-mass		1/15 M		
Liver-pale	2/8 H			
Lung—mottled/dark area	1/1 L			
Lung—pale			1/13 H	
Lymph node—dark enlarged	1/1 L			
Mammary area-mass	2/8 H	1/14 H	7/13 H	14/14 H
Ovary-small				1/14 H
Pancreas-mass			1/13 H	
Prostate—enlarged/firm			1/13 H	
Seminal vesicle-enlarged	1/8 H			
Seminal vesicle—mass			2/13 H	
Skin-mass				
Spleen-small	2/8 H			1/10 H
Spleen-enlarged	1/1 L, 1/8 H			
Stomach-dark area	1/8 H			3/10 H
Stomach—thickened mucosa				2/10 H
Subcutaneous tissue-mass			4/13 H	
Thoracic cavity—mass/fluid/adhesion	1/8 H	4/14 H	4/13 H	
Uterus-small				
Uterus—mass				2/14 H
Urinary bladder-distended	1/1 L, 1/1 M, 2/8 H			

Organ weights:

Organ weights at the interim and final sacrifices are shown in the following table. Changes in spleen weights in the HD females correlated with myeloid hyperplasia. Thymus weight changes were resolving by the final sacrifice, while spleen, liver and adrenal weights worsened with time.

% change in organ weights as compared to controls								
Organ	Males				Females			
	Interim Sac		Final Sac		Interim Sac		Final Sac	
	Abs.	Rel.	Abs.	Rel.	Abs.	Rel.	Abs.	Rel.
Thymus	↓59% H	↓53% H	↓24% H	↓9% H	↓25% M, ↓50% H	↓18% L, ↓25% M, ↓45% H	↓29% H	↓18% H
Spleen	↓16% H	↓6% H	—	↑17% H	↑100% H	↑109% H	↑161% H	↑201% H
Liver	—	↑10%M,H	—	↑14% H	↑28% H	↑36% H	↑26% H	↑45% H
Testes	↓13% H	—	↓18% H	—	—	—	—	—
Epididymis	↓19% H	↓10% H	↓12% H	—	—	—	—	—
Adrenals	—	—	↑23% H	↑50% H	↑21% H	↑31% H	↑10% H	↑26% H
Sal. gland	—	—	—	↑20% H	↓16% H	↓12% H	↓10% H	—
Kidney	—	—	—	↑25% H	↑10% H	↑19% H	—	↑12% H

Histopathology:

The LD early death male had malignant lymphocytic lymphoma in the kidney, liver, lymph node, marrow, and spleen. The MD rat had suppurative inflammation of the kidney; cause of death was attributed to genitourinary disease. In the HD rats, 2/8 had no determined cause of death, 2/8 had genitourinary disease, 3/8 had fibrosarcomas, and 1/8 had malignant fibrous histiocytoma (lumbar cord, adrenal, spleen, stomach, liver pancreas and marrow). In the 10 HD females that died prior to schedule, 7/8 had mammary carcinomas (1-6 masses/rat, mean=3.9 masses/rat); only one had an undetermined cause of death.

Microscopic observations are summarized in the following table. Mammary carcinomas were more common in the females than in the males; although they did occur in both sexes. Other malignancies observed included carcinoma of the seminal vesicles, fibrosarcoma of the eye, seminal vesicle, subcutaneous tissue, and prostate; sarcoma of the salivary gland and endometrial/stromal uterus; and schwannomas of the heart, harderian gland and optic nerve. Benign tumors included adenomas of the skin (basal cell), adrenal cortex, lung and pituitary. Hyperplasia was observed in the adrenal (possibly progressing to adenoma), spleen, and marrow. Hypertrophy was also observed in the pituitary. Skin keratoacanthomas were more frequent in males.

Other targets of toxicity included liver and kidney, with minimal damage to the GI tract. Male reproductive organs showed minimal signs of damage (syncytial cells, but no atrophy). Retinal degeneration, suppurative inflammation, and cataracts were observed in the eyes of the HD males and at lower doses in the females; these incidences were similar to those seen in the ophthalmoscopic observations.