Interleukin-I Receptor Antagonists

Antagonista del Receptor de la Interleucina 1; IL-1ra; IL-1i; Interleukin-I Inhibitors.

Profile

Endogenous antagonists to interleukin-1 receptor block the actions of interleukin-1 (p.2325) and recombinant forms have been investigated in inflammatory and immune-modulated disorders. Anakinra (p.19) is a human recombinant interleukin-1 receptor antagonist used in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis.

Interleukin-2 Fusion Toxins

Toxinas de fusión de interleucina 2.

Profile

Interleukin-2 fusion toxin is produced by replacing the receptor binding domain of diphtheria toxin with sequences from interleukin-2, thus producing specific cytotoxicity in cells expressing the interleukin-2 receptor. The interleukin-2 fusion toxin denileukin diffitox (p.710) is used in the treatment of cutaneous T-cell lymphoma. The related compound DAB₄₈₆ interleukin-2 has also been investigated in a variety of disorders.

Interleukin-6

B-cell Stimulatory Factor-2; BSF-2; Hepatocyte-Stimulating Factor; Hybridoma Growth Factor; IFN-β₂; IL-6; Interferon-β2. Интерлейкин-6

Profile

Interleukin-6 is one of a number of polypeptides known collectively as interleukins (p.2325). It is produced by many cell types and induces differentiation of B-lymphocytes and activation of T-cells. It has proinflammatory and pyrogenic properties and is involved in the regulation of immune responses and inflammation. Interleukin-6 has also been implicated in haematopoiesis.

Atexakin alfa is human recombinant interleukin-6 under investi-Since overproduction of interleukin-6 plays a crucial role in the

pathogenesis of chronic inflammatory diseases, interleukin-6 antibodies (p.2326) and interleukin-6 receptor antagonists (p.2326) are being investigated or used as therapeutic agents.

Interleukin-6 Antibodies

IL-6 Antibody

Elsilimomab (HNN)

Elsilimomabum. Immunoglobulin GI, anti-(human interleukin 6) (mouse monoclonal B-E8 heavy chain), disulfide with mouse monoclonal B-E8 κ-chain, dimer.

Эльсилимомаб

CAS — 468715-71-1.

Profile

Monoclonal antibodies to interleukin-6 (p.2326) are under investigation for the treatment of disorders including post-transplant lymphoproliferative disorders and renal cell carcinoma.

Elsilimomab is an interleukin-6 monoclonal antibody under investigation.

Interleukin-6 Receptor Antagonists

Tocilizumab (USAN, rINN)

Atlizumab; MRA; R-1569; Tocilizumabum. Immunoglobulin G1, anti-(human interleukin 6 receptor) (human-mouse monoclonal MRA heavy chain), disulfide with human-mouse monoclonal MRA κ -chain, dimer.

Тоцилизумаб

CAS — 375823-41-9.

Profile

Antagonists to the interleukin-6 receptor block the actions of interleukin-6 (p.2326) and are under investigation for rheumatoid arthritis, systemic-onset juvenile idiopathic arthritis, adult-onset Still's disease, Crohn's disease, and haemolytic anaemia.

Tocilizumab is a recombinant monoclonal antibody that targets the interleukin-6 receptor and is used for the treatment of Castleman's disease, a rare lymphoproliferative disorder. It is also used for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis and juvenile idiopathic

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Preparations

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

Interleukin-I0

CSIF; Cytokine synthesis inhibitory factor; IL-10. Интерлейкин-10

CAS - 130068-27-8.

Ilodecakin (USAN, rINN)

llodecakina; llodécakine; llodecakinum; Interleukin-10 (human clone pH15C); rhIL-10; Sch-52000.

Илодекакин

CAS - 149824-15-7.

Profile

Interleukin-10 is one of a number of polypeptides known collectively as interleukins (p.2325). It regulates the differentiation and proliferation of several immune cells including T-cells and Bcells. It is postulated that it has immunostimulant as well as immunosuppressive properties; it also has anti-inflammatory actions. Interleukin-10 is under investigation for inflammatory bowel disease, malignant neoplasms, skin disorders including psoriasis and reduction of scarring, rheumatoid arthritis, hepatitis C, and organ transplantation.

Ilodecakin is a recombinant form of interleukin-10 under investigation.

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Interleukin-I2

IL-12.

Интерлейкин-12

Edodekin Alfa (USAN, rINN)

Edodekina alfa; Édodékine Alfa; Edodekinum Alfa; Ro-24-7472/000

Эдодекин Альфа CAS — 187348-17-0.

Description. A recombinant human interleukin-12.

Interleukin-12 is one of a number of polypeptides known collectively as interleukins (p.2325). It is produced by macrophages and dendritic cells and enhances cellular immunity through induction of the activity of interferon-y and cytotoxic T-lymphocytes. It has been investigated for the treatment of severe infections such as mycobacterial infections; it is worthy of note that children with a rare inherited susceptibility to fatal mycobacterial infections exhibit mutations in the interleukin-12 gene. Interleukin-12 is also under study for the treatment of various cancers, including as adenovirus-mediated gene therapy.

Edodekin alfa is human recombinant interleukin-12 under investigation for the treatment of renal cell carcinoma.

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Intrinsic Factor

Antianemic Factor; Castle's Intrinsic Factor; Gastric Intrinsic Fac-

Внутренне Присущий Фактор CAS = 9008-12-2.

Profile

Intrinsic factor, a glycoprotein secreted by the parietal glands in the stomach, is required for absorption of vitamin B₁₂ in the small intestine. Deficiency in intrinsic factor leads to vitamin B₁₂ deficiency disorders and pernicious anaemia.

Intrinsic factor is given orally with cyanocobalamin in the Schilling test in the differential diagnosis of pernicious anaemia (see p.1981). It is also included in some oral preparations containing cyanocobalamin, presumably as an aid to absorption.

 \Diamond Difficulty in obtaining intrinsic factor and/or radio-labelled cyanocobalamin for the original Schilling test prompted studies using a recombinant human intrinsic factor in a new vitamin B₁₂ absorption test. Initial results with this recombinant form were

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Preparations

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

Multi-ingredient: Braz.: Hemofer†; Indon.: Biosanbe; Philipp.: Tri-HEMIC; USA: Anemagen†; Chromagen; Contrin; Ferotrinsic; Fetrin; Livit-rinsic-f; Pronemia Hematinic; TriHEMIC; Trinsicon.

Inulin (BAN)

Alant Starch; Inulina. CAS = 900.5-80-5

Pharmacopoeias. In Br. and US.

BP 2008 (Inulin). A polysaccharide obtained from the tubers of Dahlia variabilis, Helianthus tuberosus, and other genera of the family Compositae. It is a white, odourless or almost odourless, hygroscopic, amorphous, granular powder. Slightly soluble in cold water, but freely soluble in hot water; slightly soluble in organic solvents.

USP 31 (Inulin). A polysaccharide which, on hydrolysis, yields mainly fructose. A white, friable, chalk-like, amorphous, odourless powder. Soluble in hot water; slightly soluble in cold water and in organic solvents. A 10% solution in water has a pH of 4.5 to 7.0. Store at a temperature of 25°, excursions permitted between 15° and 30°.

Pharmacokinetics

Inulin is rapidly removed from the circulation after intravenous doses but is not metabolised. A trace may be found in the bile and may cross the placenta, but it is mainly eliminated in the urine by glomerular filtration without secretion or reabsorption in the renal tubule

Uses and Administration

Inulin is used intravenously as a diagnostic agent to measure the glomerular filtration rate. Although an accurate test, it is complex to perform and is generally reserved for research purposes. Crystals of inulin may be deposited on storage of the injection; they should be dissolved by heating for not more than 15 minutes before use and the injection cooled to a suitable temperature before

Polyfructosan, an inulin analogue of lower average molecular weight, has been used similarly.

Preparations

BP 2008: Inulin Injection; USP 31: Inulin in Sodium Chloride Injection.

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

Multi-ingredient: Chile: Reduc-Te; Reducform-F; Fr.: Actyfilus; Effadiane relipidantes; Ital.: Enterolactis; Lactolas; Naturalass; Snell'it.

Iris Versicolor

Blue Flag; Iris Virginica.

Profile

The rhizomes of Iris versicolor (Iridaceae) are used in herbal preparations for skin and gastrointestinal disorders.

Homoeopathy. Iris versicolor has been used in homoeopathic medicines under the following names: Iris; Iris ver.

Preparations

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

Multi-ingredient: UK: Catarrh Mixture; HRI Clear Complexion; Skin

Isobutyl Nitrite

 $C_4H_9NO_2 = 103.1.$ CAS — 542-56-3.

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NOTE. The following terms have been used as 'street names' (see p.vi) or slang names for various forms of isobutyl nitrite: Aroma of men; Bolt; Bullet; Climax; Hardware; Krypt tonight; Locker room; Poppers; Quicksilver; Rush; Rush Snappers; Snappers; Thrust; White out; Whiteout.

Isobutyl nitrite is not used medicinally but, as with other volatile nitrites, is abused for its vasodilating and related effects following inhalation (see Abuse, under Amyl Nitrite, p.1437).

Isofagomine

AT-2101 (tartrate). (3R,4R,5R)-3,4-Dihydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)piperidine.

 $C_6H_{13}NO_3 = 147.2.$

CAS — 169105-89-9 (isofagomine); 161302-93-8 (isofagomine hydrochloride).

NOTE. The code AT-2101 has also been applied to a topical formulation of diclofenac in hyaluronic acid used in the treatment of actinic keratoses.

Isofagomine is an iminosugar under investigation as the tartrate for oral therapy of Gaucher disease (p.2249). It is a pharmacological chaperone that stabilises the variant lysosomal glucocerebrosidase facilitating its folding and transport from the endoplasmic reticulum into lysosomes, thereby increasing the pool of active endogenous enzyme.

Isometheptene Hydrochloride (BANM, rINNM) ⊗

Hidrocloruro de isometepteno; Isométheptène, Chlorhydrate d'; 1,5,N-Trimethylhex-4-Isomethepteni Hydrochloridum. enylamine hydrochloride; I,5-Dimethylhex-4-enyl(methyl)amine hydrochloride.

Изометептена Гидрохлорид

 $C_9H_{19}N,HCI = 177.7.$

CAS — 503-01-5 (isometheptene); 6168-86-1 (isometheptene hydrochloride).

ATC - A03AX10.

ATC Vet - QA03AX10.

Isometheptene Mucate (BANM, rINNM) ⊗

Isométhentène Mucate d'Isomethenteni Mucas: Mucato de isometepteno. Isometheptene galactarate.

Изометептена Мукат

 $(C_9H_{19}N)_2, C_6H_{10}O_8 = 492.6.$

CAS - 7492-31-1. ATC — A03AX10.

ATC Vet — QA03AX10.

Pharmacopoeias. In Br. and US.

BP 2008 (Isometheptene Mucate). A white crystalline powder. Very soluble in water; slightly soluble in dehydrated alcohol; very slightly soluble in chloroform; practically insoluble in ether. A 5% solution in water has a pH of 5.4 to 6.6. Store in airtight containers. Protect from light.

USP 31 (Isometheptene Mucate). A white crystalline powder. Freely soluble in water; soluble in alcohol; practically insoluble in chloroform and in ether. pH of a 5% solution in water is between 6.0 and 7.5.

Adverse Effects and Precautions

As for Sympathomimetics, p.1407.

Porphyria. Isometheptene mucate has been associated with acute attacks of porphyria and is considered unsafe in porphyric patients.

Interactions

As for Sympathomimetics, p.1407. Isometheptene has been reported to produce severe hypertensive reactions in patients receiving MAOIs.

Bromocriptine. For a report of hypertension and life-threatening complications after use of isometheptene and bromocriptine, see under Sympathomimetics, p.800.

Uses and Administration

Isometheptene is an indirect-acting sympathomimetic (p.1408). It is included for its vasoconstrictor effect, usually as the mucate, in some analgesic combination products used to treat acute migraine attacks (p.616). Typical oral doses of isometheptene mucate in migraine are 130 mg at the beginning of an attack, with 65 mg hourly thereafter as necessary, up to a total maximum dose of 325 mg in a 12-hour period.

Isometheptene hydrochloride has also been used in the management of migraine and smooth muscle spasm; it has been given orally, as well as by intramuscular, or occasionally subcutaneous, or slow intravenous, injection. The mucate has also been used in the management of muscle spasms.

Preparations

USP 31: Isometheptene Mucate, Dichloralphenazone, and Acetaminophen Capsules

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

Multi-ingredient: Braz.: Cefaldina: Doralgina: Doridina: Dorsedin: Migranette; Neomigran†; Neosaldina; Neuralgina; Sedalgina; Sedol; Tensaldin; **Hong Kong:** Midrid†; **UK:** Midrid; **USA:** Duradrin†; Midrin; MigraTen; Mi-

Isospaglumic Acid (INN)

Acide Isospaglumique; Ácido isospaglúmico; Acidum Isospaglumicum; NAAGA. N-(N-Acetyl-L- α -aspartyl)-L-glutamic acid.

Изоспаглумовая Кислота

 $C_{11}H_{16}N_2O_8 = 304.3.$

CAS - 3106-85-2.

Spaglumic Acid (HNN)

Acide Spaglumique; Ácido espaglúmico; Acidum Spaglumicum. N-(N-Acetyl-L-β-aspartyl)-L-glutamic acid.

Спаглумовая Кислота

CAS - 4910-46-7.

ATC - ROIACOS; SOIGXO3.

ATC Vet — QR01AC05; QS01GX03.

N-Acetyl-L-aspartylglutamate is a mast cell stabiliser and has been used as the sodium or magnesium salts of spaglumic or isospaglumic acids in eye drops for allergic eye conditions and in nasal solutions for allergic rhinitis.

N-Acetyl-L-aspartylglutamate also has a role as a neurotransmitter and has been investigated in CNS disorders.

Preparations

Proprietary Preparations (details are given in Part 3)

Arg.: Naabak; Austria: Rhinaaxia; Braz.: Naabak; Naaxia; Chile: Alerbak; Naaxia; Cz.: Naaxia†, Fr.: Naabak; Naaxia; Naaxiafree; Rhinaaxia; Gr.: Rhinaaxia†, Hong Kong: Naaxia; Hung: Naaxia; Rhinaaxia†, Ital: Naaxia; Rhinaaxia†, Ital: Naaxia; Sprin: Naaxia; Philipp.: Naaxia; Port.: Naabak; Naaxia†, Singopore: Naabak; Spain: Naaxia; Switz: Rhinaaxia†, Turk.: Naaxia; Yenez.: Naabak;

Multi-ingredient: Gr.: Naaxia; S.Afr.: Naaxia†; Switz.: Naaxia.

Isoxsuprine Hydrochloride (BANM, rINNM)

Caa-40; Hidrocloruro de isoxsuprina; Isoksupriinihydrokloridi; Isoxsuprin hydrochlorid; Isoxsuprine, chlorhydrate d'; Isoxsuprinhydroklorid; Isoxsuprini hydrochloridum; Izokssuprino hidrochloridas; Izoxszuprin-hidroklorid; Phenoxyisopropylnorsuprifen. I-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-2-(I-methyl-2-phenoxyethylamino)propan-I-ol hydrochloride.

Изоксуприна Гидрохлорид

C₁₈H₂₃NO₃,HCl = 337.8. CAS — 395-28-8 (isoxsuprine); 579-56-6 (isoxsuprine hydrochloride).

ATC — CO4AAOI.

ATC Vet — QC04AA01.

(isoxsuprine)

Pharmacopoeias. In Eur. (see p.vii) and US.

Ph. Eur. 6.2 (Isoxsuprine Hydrochloride). A white or almost white crystalline powder. Sparingly soluble in water and in alcohol; practically insoluble in dichloromethane. A 1% solution in water has a pH of 4.5 to 6.0. Protect from light.

USP 31 (Isoxsuprine Hydrochloride). A white, odourless, crystalline powder. Soluble 1 in 500 of water, 1 in 100 of alcohol and of $0.1\bar{N}$ sodium hydroxide solution, and 1 in 2500 of 0.1N hydrochloric acid; practically insoluble in chloroform and in ether. pH of a 1% solution in water is between 4.5 and 6.0. Store in airtight containers

Adverse Effects

Isoxsuprine may cause transient flushing, hypotension, tachycardia, rashes, and gastrointestinal disturbances. Maternal pulmonary oedema and fetal tachycardia have been reported after intravenous use in premature labour.

Pulmonary oedema. Pulmonary oedema has been reported in mothers given isoxsuprine for premature labour.1,

- Nagey DA, Crenshaw MC. Pulmonary complications of isoxsu-prine therapy in the gravida. *Obstet Gynecol* 1982; 59 (suppl): 38S-42S.
- 2. Nimrod C, et al. Pulmonary edema associated with isoxsuprine therapy. Am J Obstet Gynecol 1984; 148: 625-9.

Precautions

Isoxsuprine is contra-indicated after recent arterial haemorrhage. It should not be given immediately post partum, nor should it be used for premature labour if there is infection.

In women being treated for premature labour, the risk of pulmonary oedema means that extreme caution is required and the precautions and risk factors discussed under Salbutamol Sulfate, p.1132, apply.

Pregnancy. Ileus was found to be more common in the offspring of mothers who received isoxsuprine than in matched controls.¹ The incidence of respiratory distress syndrome also rose as the isoxsuprine concentration in cord blood exceeded 10 nanograms/mL; likewise the incidence of hypocalcaemia and hypotension rose progressively with increasing concentrations. The cord concentrations correlated inversely with the drug-free interval before delivery and it was suggested that with frequent assessment of uterine response it should be possible to avoid delivering infants at a time when they have high plasma-isoxsuprine concentrations.

In another study² of the association between ruptured membranes, beta-adrenergic therapy, and respiratory distress syndrome, it was found that both therapy with isoxsuprine and premature rupture of membranes were individually associated with a lowered incidence of respiratory distress syndrome, but when present together they resulted in an increased risk of respiratory distress syndrome. It was suggested that therapy with beta-adrenergic drugs including isoxsuprine should be restricted to patients with intact membranes.1

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Pharmacokinetics

Isoxsuprine hydrochloride is well absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract. The peak plasma concentration occurs about 1 hour after an oral dose. A plasma half-life of about 1.5 hours has been reported. Isoxsuprine is excreted in the urine mainly as conju-

Uses and Administration

Isoxsuprine is a vasodilator that also stimulates beta-adrenergic receptors. It causes direct relaxation of vascular and uterine smooth muscle and its vasodilating action is greater on the arteries supplying skeletal muscles than on those supplying skin. Isox-