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2 trospium chloride patients (after an average of
3 14.3 days.) Do you see that?

4 A I do, yes.

5 Q Are those -- are with -- is withdrawal an
6 important consideration in whether or not an
7 overactive bladder drug is efficacious?

8 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

9 A It doesn't have anything to do with
10 efficaciousness, but it has to do with tolerability
11 of the patient. So it's a very important issue.

12 BY MR. OELKE:

13 Q I should say -- yeah, I'm sorry, I should
14 say effective, whether it's an effective OAB
15 treatment?

16 A Again, and it can be effective, but the
17 patients can't tolerate it, so they stop taking it.

18 Q Okay.

19 A And that's -- that's the case with
20 oxybutynin.

21 Q Okay. Now, for most OAB patients that
22 are put on -- on drugs, how long does it -- does it
23 take for the patient to get the -- the desired
24 effect from the drug?

25 A It's extraordinarily variable.

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2 Q Okay.

3 A And it can be as quickly as a few days,
4 but most often it's several weeks before they have
5 the maximum effect.

6 One has to realize that when you do a
7 study of any of the overactive bladder drugs,
8 there's a significant placebo effect for many
9 patients.

10 As many as 30 percent of patients will
11 have some placebo response. So you could give them
12 a Vitamin B and about a third of them would feel
13 better. So it's a little hard to tease that out.

14 But -- but generally it takes several
15 weeks for them to have a maximum effect.

16 Q And an OAB drug is -- will only get
17 approved if it shows an efficacy over placebo,
18 though, right?

19 A That's correct.

20 MR. OELKE: Let's mark as 9, an article
21 entitled Characterization of Darifenacin as a Novel
22 Radioligand for the Study of Muscarinic M3
23 Receptors by Carolyn Smith and Rob Wallis.

24 (Deposition Exhibit 9 marked.)

25 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

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2 BY MR. OELKE:

3 Q Have you seen Carson 9 before?

4 A I have not.

5 Q Okay.

6 A Not that I know of. I mean, it's a long
7 time ago, so I may have but I don't think so.

8 Q Okay. So I don't think we need to spend
9 too much time on it then.

10 But you recognize it's an article
11 concerning darifenacin?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And it's dated 1997?

14 A Correct.

15 Q So at least as of 1997, darifenacin was
16 being studied as a selective M3 inhibitor, right?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And there were other compounds also being
19 studied for selective M3 inhibition, right?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And why was selective M3 inhibition being
22 studied as a -- as a possible lead for OAB drugs in
23 the 1998-1999 time frame?

24 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

25 A In the bladder, the predominant

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2 muscarinic receptors are M2, which has the largest
3 number. M3, second largest number. But M3 is the
4 most functionally responsible receptor, so it's the
5 one that you'd want to target.

6 Unfortunately, M3 is also present in the
7 salivary glands and in the gut. So even being
8 selective doesn't necessarily eliminate all of
9 those side effects.

10 But if you could just target a clean drug
11 that was only effective on M3, then you have a
12 higher chance of affecting the overactive bladder
13 with diminished side effects.

14 BY MR. OELKE:

15 Q And was darifenacin successful in
16 reducing adverse side effects?

17 A To an extent. The trouble with
18 darifenacin is the bioavailability was variable.

19 So at this -- you know, if it was really
20 very well bioavailable, it would have changed
21 the -- changed the landscape of overactive bladder
22 treatment, but it just wasn't or isn't.

23 Q So in 1998, would a reasonable path for
24 research by OAB researchers to make a more
25 bioavailable version of darifenacin?

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2 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

3 A Certainly would have been a thought.

4 BY MR. OELKE:

5 Q Okay. And it would have been a
6 reasonable path, right?

7 A Yes.

8 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

9 BY MR. OELKE:

10 Q And solifenacin, was it successful as a
11 M3 selective inhibitor?

12 A Also similar to darifenacin, selective,
13 yes, but bioavailable not so much -- not as -- not
14 as much as one would like.

15 Q Okay. And is constipation a prominent
16 side effect for those -- those two compounds?

17 A For many patients, yes.

18 Q So would a reasonable approach have been
19 to try to make a -- to start with darifenacin or
20 solifenacin and make it -- make it compounded that
21 had fewer side effects with respect to
22 constipation?

23 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

24 A I mean, that would be a thought, but
25 because there's M3 receptors in the bowel, it would

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2 be a little hard to separate the bladder and the
3 bowel and the three receptors. So if you're going
4 to affect one, you're going to affect the other.

5 BY MR. OELKE:

6 Q But there's M3 receptors in salivary
7 glands, too, right?

8 A Yes, that's correct.

9 Q Did darifenacin or solifenacin show a
10 benefit with respect to dry mouth?

11 A Well, they all had dry mouth and dry
12 eyes, so, a benefit, no. A complication or a side
13 effect, yes.

14 Q Okay.

15 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
16 Carson Exhibit 10, Abstracts of Paper -- well,
17 it's -- I'll just give the Bates numbers, two
18 pages. MYLB_FESO-0027337 to 0338.

19 (Deposition Exhibit 10 marked.)

20 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

21 BY MR. OELKE:

22 Q This is an abstract from April of 1997.
23 Do you see that?

24 A Yes.

25 Q It was presented at the American Chemical

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2 Society National Meeting?

3 A Right.

4 Q And if you look at the abstract that's
5 046. Do you see that?

6 A Yes.

7 Q It's entitled
8 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-isoquinolinecarboxylate
9 derivatives.

10 MR. OELKE: Sorry about that.

11 A Yes.

12 BY MR. OELKE:

13 Q A Novel Class of Selective Muscarinic
14 Antagonists. Do you see that?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And the first named author is Takeuchi?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And that's -- they were at Yamanouchi
19 Pharmaceutical, right?

20 A Right.

21 Q And Yamanouchi is the company that
22 developed solifenacin?

23 A Uh-huh, yes.

24 Q And do you understand this abstract
25 concerns solifenacin?

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2 A No, but -- I don't know the chemical name
3 for solifenacin to be honest.

4 Q Okay. It's my understanding this is an
5 early abstract that concerns solifenacin.

6 A Okay.

7 Q Now, if you look in that -- in that
8 paragraph in the abstract, five lines down, it
9 says, Among those compounds, and then it lists that
10 same compound.

11 A Okay.

12 Q I won't -- I won't write it out, but it's
13 a -- I won't read it out, but it's YM-53705 is the
14 shorthand for it. Do you see that?

15 A Yes.

16 Q It said, It showed high affinity for M3
17 receptor and a Ki value; is that right?

18 A That's what it says.

19 Q Of 12 nano -- of 12nm and 10-fold
20 selectivity between rhythmic contraction and
21 salivary secretion. Do you see that?

22 A Yes.

23 Q So does this indicate that -- that M3
24 selectivity is -- is between or at least they had
25 tested it for between an effect on the bladder

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2 and -- and the salivary?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Okay. And their conclusion is that
5 YM-53705 will be expected as a drug for the
6 treatment of urinary incontinence without side
7 effects such as dry mouth.

8 A Yes.

9 Q Do you see that?

10 It's kind of a hopeful statement there?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Okay. But at least there -- there's an
13 indication that the dry mouth would be less?

14 A Would be less, right.

15 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
16 Carson 11 an article entitled Anti-muscarinic
17 Potency and Bladder Selectivity of PNU-200577, a
18 Major Metabolite of Tolterodine.

19 (Deposition Exhibit 11 marked.)

20 THE WITNESS: Thanks.

21 BY MR. OELKE:

22 Q Do you recognize Carson Exhibit 11 as an
23 article by Dr. Nilvebrant and others?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Do you understand Dr. Nilvebrant was one

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 of the inventors of tolterodine?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Do you know Dr. Nilvebrant?

5 A I do not.

6 Q Now, do you understand that PNU-200577 is
7 another term that's used for 5-HMT?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Okay. And if you look at the abstract of
10 this article, four lines up from the bottom, it
11 says: Thus, PNU-200577 is similar to tolterodine
12 in terms of anti-muscarinic potency, functional
13 selectivity for the urinary bladder in vivo and
14 absence of selectivity for muscarinic receptor
15 subtypes in vitro. Do you see that?

16 A Yes.

17 Q So the conclusion of Dr. Nilvebrant,
18 based on these studies, is that tolterodine and --
19 and 5-HMT are similar in terms of anti-muscarinic
20 potency, right?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And -- and similar in their terms of
23 their functional selectivity in vivo, right?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Now, Dr. Nilvebrant conducted studies

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2 in -- in cats, right?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And some of that is discussed here?

5 A I think this was not cats, though.

6 Q If you look at the in vivo results.

7 A It was guinea pigs as well, so...

8 Q Right, there is in vitro studies in
9 guinea pigs.

10 A Yeah.

11 Q But if you look on Page 170, it says, In
12 Vivo Studies. It says: The anti-muscarinic
13 effects of PNU-200577 in vivo were studied in the
14 anesthetized --

15 A Oh, right.

16 Q -- anesthetized cat. Right?

17 A Correct. Yeah. They also used bladder
18 strips from the guinea pigs, so they did both --

19 Q Right.

20 A -- both things, in vivo and in vitro.

21 Q Are you familiar with these -- these
22 anesthetized cat studies?

23 A I'm familiar with them, I've never done
24 one.

25 Q Okay. If you look in the Discussion

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2 section of this article on Page 171.

3 It says: In the anesthetized -- did I
4 say that right? -- cat, PNU-200577 produced a
5 dose-dependent inhibition of acetylcholine-induced
6 urinary bladder contraction and electrically
7 stimulated salivation, and was almost three times
8 more potent for inhibition of urinary bladder
9 contractions compared with salivation. Right?

10 A Yes.

11 Q So these studies established or at least
12 suggested that the tolterodine metabolite was more
13 active in the bladder than in the salivary gland,
14 right?

15 A That's what --

16 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

17 A That's what it's suggesting. Whether
18 that translates into a clinical advantage or not I
19 guess remains to be seen based on this.

20 BY MR. OELKE:

21 Q Right.

22 It's not necessary that what's seen in
23 cats is going to translate to humans, for instance?

24 A Correct.

25 Q Okay. If you look at the last paragraph

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2 in this -- in this article, it says: In summary,
3 the pharmacological in vitro and in vivo profiles
4 of PNU-200577 are almost identical to those of
5 tolterodine, the parent compound. Do you see that?

6 A Yes.

7 Q So, again, this is supporting the concept
8 that extensive metabolizers and poor metabolizers
9 are going to end up getting the same net effect
10 from the administration of tolterodine orally,
11 right?

12 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

13 A I'm not sure that you can totally say
14 that because, again, of the -- because of the
15 protein binding issues. I think that -- that
16 has -- certainly has an effect on the effect in --
17 in patients and humans. But as far as in a
18 laboratory setting, the two are equivalent.

19 BY MR. OELKE:

20 Q Okay.

21 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
22 Carson 12 an article entitled Influence of CYP2D6
23 polymorphism on the pharmacokinetics and
24 pharmacodynamics of tolterodine. First author
25 Niclas Brynne.

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2 (Deposition Exhibit 12 marked.)

3 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

4 BY MR. OELKE:

5 Q Have you seen the Brynne article before,
6 Dr. Carson?

7 A Yes, I have.

8 Q The -- the objective of this study was to
9 determine whether 2D6 is involved in the metabolism
10 of tolterodine, right?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And also to investigate potential
13 differences of tolterodine in 5-HMT between poor
14 and extensive metabolizers, right?

15 A Correct.

16 Q And the conclusion of the study is that,
17 if you look there in the abstract, it says:
18 Tolterodine is extensively metabolized by -- by
19 CYP2D6 with high specificity. Despite the effect
20 on pharmacokinetics, the CYP2D6 polymorphism does
21 not appear to be of great importance in the
22 anti-muscarinic effect, probably because of the
23 additive action of parent drug and the active
24 metabolite. Right?

25 A Yes.

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2 Q So the -- the authors of this article,
3 including Niclas Brynne, was that tolterodine and
4 5-HMT had an additive action, right?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And that poor metabolizers and extensive
7 metabolizers receive the same net effect?

8 A In this study, that's correct.

9 Q And this was a study that was specific to
10 tolterodine, right?

11 A Yes, it was.

12 Q So the conclusion of both the Brynne
13 article, the Nilvebrant -- so the conclusion of the
14 Nilvebrant article which was Carson Exhibit 11 --

15 A Uh-huh.

16 Q -- the Brynne article which is Carson
17 Exhibit 12, and the label for Detrol, which is
18 Carson Exhibit 7, is that the net activity for poor
19 metabolizers and extensive metabolizers is the
20 same, right?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Okay.

23 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
24 Carson Exhibit 13 a document entitled Tolterodine,
25 A new muscarinic receptor antagonist, is

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2 metabolized by cytochromes P450 2D6 and 3A in human
3 liver microsomes, by Postlind and others.

4 (Deposition Exhibit 13 marked.)

5 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

6 BY MR. OELKE:

7 Q Have you seen Carson Exhibit 13?

8 A Yes, I have.

9 Q And this is a study in human liver
10 microsomes for tolterodine?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And the conclusion that's stated in the
13 abstract is: We conclude from these studies --
14 this is the last sentence -- We conclude from these
15 studies that the formation of 5-HM -- and you
16 understand that 5-HM, is 5-HMT, right?

17 A Yes.

18 Q That the formation of 5-HM is -- is
19 catalyzed by CYP2D6 and that the formation of
20 N-dealkylated tolterodine is predominantly
21 catalyzed by CYP3A isoenzymes in human liver
22 microsomes. Right?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Now, in your report, your opening report
25 you cite to the Postlind article, right?

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2 A I do, yes.

3 Q If you look at Page 18.

4 A Okay.

5 Q On Page 18 you cite to a paragraph that's
6 on Page 292 of Postlind, so it's at the end.

7 Now, the last paragraph of Postlind
8 starts: Clinical studies have demonstrated that
9 individuals with reduced CYP2D6-mediated metabolism
10 represent a high-risk group in the population with
11 a propensity to develop adverse drug effects.
12 Right?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And it cites to Smith 1986.

15 And you state in your report that this
16 paragraph, in Paragraph 63, you say: This
17 information is important to a clinician because it
18 helps to inform the risks associated with dosing
19 tolterodine. Right?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Now, this statement -- first of all,
22 Postlind didn't study, did he, the net activity of
23 tolterodine in 5-HMT, right, in humans?

24 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

25 A Can you say that again? I'm not quite

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 sure about that.

3 BY MR. OELKE:

4 Q This Postlind article isn't --

5 A Yeah.

6 Q -- about the activity of tolterodine in
7 5-HMT in humans when it's dosed orally, is it?

8 A No, it's not.

9 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

10 BY MR. OELKE:

11 Q It's about liver microzymes, right?

12 A Right.

13 Q Microsomes, sorry.

14 And it does not have any conclusion in it
15 about whether there are certain risks associated
16 with poor metabolizers for the administration of
17 tolterodine orally to patients, right?

18 A Well, I mean, basically he does say in
19 his discussion that, you know, clinical studies
20 have demonstrated that individuals with reduced or
21 poor metabolizers represent a high risk group in
22 the -- in the population with a propensity to
23 develop adverse drug effects. So he states that in
24 his --

25 Q Right.

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2 A -- in his discussion, right.

3 Q But that statement is citing to Smith in
4 1986, right?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Smith 1986 doesn't have anything to do
7 with tolterodine, does it?

8 A But it has to do with cytochrome 2D6.

9 Q Right.

10 A And that basically has something to do
11 with tolterodine as well, right, so...

12 Q But 1986, when Smith was written,
13 tolterodine hadn't even been invented yet, right?

14 A It hadn't, but cytochrome P450 2D6 had
15 been identified and --

16 Q Right.

17 A -- was being studied and had been
18 studied.

19 Q Right.

20 And Smith is talking about other drugs,
21 not tolterodine, right?

22 A That's correct. He's talking about other
23 drugs, but he's talking about that enzyme system.

24 Q Right. But we've also established that
25 there were studies that were done specifically on

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2 tolterodine, right?

3 A Correct.

4 Q And those studies, which we just looked
5 at, Brynne, Nilvebrant and also it's in the label,
6 they all come to the conclusion that the net effect
7 is the same for poor metabolizers and extensive
8 metabolizers, right?

9 A Yes.

10 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

11 BY MR. OELKE:

12 Q So this concern that's discussed here in
13 Smith was found not to be applicable to tolterodine
14 and 5-HMT, right?

15 A In the studies that are reported, that's
16 correct, the ones we've talked about.

17 Q Okay.

18 MR. OELKE: Let's take a break.

19 VIDEO TECHNICIAN: Going off the record.

20 (Recess taken 11:26 a.m.)

21 VIDEO TECHNICIAN: Back on the record,
22 11:43.

23 BY MR. OELKE:

24 Q Now, in 1998-1999, there were no
25 long-acting OAB drugs on the market, right?

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2 A That's correct, they were all multiple
3 day dosing.

4 Q Okay. And at some point once daily drugs
5 did become available, right?

6 A Yes, they did.

7 Q Okay. And when was that?

8 A Roughly 2001.

9 Q Okay.

10 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
11 Exhibit 14 an article, Fesoterodine is an effective
12 anti-muscarinic for patients with overactive
13 bladder (OAB): Results of a Phase 2 Trial by Nitti,
14 et al.

15 (Deposition Exhibit 14 marked.)

16 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

17 BY MR. OELKE:

18 Q Have you seen this article, Dr. Carson?

19 A I have, yes.

20 Q Okay. And this is a study of
21 fesoterodine, right?

22 A Yes, that's correct.

23 Q And they tested 4, 8 and 12 milligram
24 doses of fesoterodine once daily?

25 A Yes.

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2 Q Okay. And placebo, right?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And if you look at the Concluding Message
5 which is on the second page: Determined that All 3
6 doses of fesoterodine led to significant and
7 clinically relevant improvements from baseline in
8 several parameters, e.g., frequency, urge
9 incontinence and voided volume per micturition.
10 Right?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Okay. And so do you recall when
13 fesoterodine was first introduced into the market?

14 A I think it was in the 2004 range.

15 Q Okay. And what would -- did you at that
16 time prescribe fesoterodine to patients?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Okay. And what was your clinical
19 experience with fesoterodine?

20 A It was good. I had no -- you know, they
21 all work some and they all have side effects in
22 some and some patients respond better to one than
23 another, so -- but generally it was good.

24 Q Okay. And it's -- it's approved at
25 4 milligrams and at 8 milligrams, right?

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2 A That's correct.

3 Q Okay. And so were there some patients
4 that you prescribed 8 milligrams of fesoterodine
5 to?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And were some of those patients that you
8 had tried dosing tolterodine?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Okay. And why did you switch those
11 patients from tolterodine to fesoterodine?

12 A Couple of reasons. No. 1 is, it's a
13 newer drug, so you always want to try something
14 different.

15 No. 2 thing is, is that there were
16 purportedly fewer side effects.

17 No. 3 thing is, is that there are
18 actually a couple of studies that looked at
19 head-to-head experience between tolterodine max
20 dose and fesoterodine max dose, and it showed that
21 the maximum dose of fesoterodine was more
22 effective.

23 And finally, that, you know, there --
24 there were, again, active marketing of the drug, so
25 we wanted to try new things. And as an academic

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2 urologist, I feel it's my responsibility or part of
3 it to try the latest drugs.

4 Q So these -- these head-to-head studies of
5 8 milligrams of fesoterodine to 4 milligrams of
6 tolterodine, those studies were of the -- the
7 maximum dose approved for each of those drugs,
8 right?

9 A Maximum approved dose, yeah. I mean,
10 whether you could actually compare the doses or not
11 is a matter of dispute, but those are the
12 maximum-approved doses.

13 Just like when we talked about the
14 oxybutynin study, it was the maximum approved doses
15 of each of the -- each of the agents.

16 Q So it's a very common thing when you're
17 doing a head-to-head study to compare a
18 maximum-approved dose of each drug?

19 A In -- in -- in post marketing trials,
20 it's almost always done that way.

21 Q Okay. But going back to the Nitti
22 article, his conclusion is that for all of these
23 different doses, 4, 8 and 12, they actually tested
24 12 milligrams here as well, that they led to
25 significant and clinically relevant improvements

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2 for the parameters they tested which were
3 frequency, urge incontinence and voided volume per
4 micturition, right?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Okay. And those are all important
7 parameters, correct?

8 A That's what you're trying to really
9 treat. That's what the patients are bothered by.

10 Q Okay. And he also concluded that
11 improvements were seen as early as two weeks after
12 randomization. Do you see that?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Was that a benefit of fesoterodine that
15 it showed early improvement?

16 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

17 A There are -- there are studies that show
18 that it was quicker -- a quicker onset than some of
19 the ones that were already on -- on the market,
20 yes.

21 BY MR. OELKE:

22 Q All right. And that -- was that a
23 surprising result for fesoterodine?

24 A Not so much. I -- you know, it -- it was
25 one of those things that most of the other drugs

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2 didn't have those trials, rapidity of onset trials.

3 So some of the -- some of the trials that
4 are done are done for marketing purposes and that
5 was a marketing trial in my opinion.

6 Q Okay.

7 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark Carson
8 Exhibit 15, an article entitled Role of
9 Pharmacokinetics and Metabolism in Drug Discovery
10 and Development by Lin and Lu, production numbers
11 PFE01847326 to 372.

12 (Deposition Exhibit 15 marked.)

13 THE WITNESS: Thanks.

14 BY MR. OELKE:

15 Q Have you seen this article before?

16 A I have not.

17 Q Okay.

18 A Not that I know of. Looks interesting,
19 though.

20 Q Just give me a second.

21 If you look in your opening report of the
22 materials considered.

23 A Okay.

24 Q I think if you look at -- it's on --

25 A Got it, Exhibit 2.

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2 Q Table of exhibits. If you look at the
3 table of exhibits at the front of the --

4 A Yeah.

5 Q The front.

6 A I guess I have seen this, yeah.

7 Q Yeah, I think if you look at
8 Paragraph 33, you cite to it.

9 A Yeah, yeah, I did see this.

10 Q Okay. And it's an article that discusses
11 metabolism in drug development, right?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And drug discovery.

14 And if you look at -- there's a section
15 that starts at Page 436.

16 A Okay.

17 Q Which is PFE01847359.

18 A Right.

19 Q And that section's called
20 Pharmacogenetics of Drug Metabolism.

21 A Yes.

22 Q If you look at the end of -- it gives a
23 number of examples, but if you look at the end of
24 that section on Page 439, the last paragraph. It
25 says there: As described above, genetic

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2 polymorphism in drug metabolism is undesirable and
3 can at times be problematic.

4 Excuse me.

5 Do you see that?

6 A Yes.

7 Q What does polymorphism refer to there?

8 A Basically differences in the ability of a
9 patient to metabolize drugs. The -- the high
10 metabolizers of -- and -- and nonmetabolizers of
11 D2 -- of 2D6 are examples of that polymorphism.

12 Q Okay.

13 A Some patients do, some patients don't.

14 Q It goes on to say: However, it should be
15 emphasized that even if a large proportion of the
16 metabolism of a compound is subject to genetic
17 polymorphism, this should not influence its
18 development as a drug. Do you see that?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Careful evaluation of clinical relevance
21 of polymorphic metabolism has to be taken into
22 consideration in making the go/no-go decisions.
23 Right?

24 A Yes, uh-huh.

25 Q So with respect to tolterodine, that

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 careful evaluation of clinical relevance is
3 described in -- in the Nilvebrant and Brynne
4 article and the Detrol label, right?

5 A It is, yes.

6 Q They took a look at whether polymorphism
7 was a problem for tolterodine, right?

8 A They did.

9 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

10 BY MR. OELKE:

11 Q And the conclusion that they drew was
12 that the net activity for tolterodine and 5-HMT was
13 the same, right?

14 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

15 A They showed there was an effect, but
16 overall clinical effect was -- was minimal.

17 BY MR. OELKE:

18 Q Right. The overall difference in
19 clinical effect --

20 A Exactly.

21 Q -- was minimal, right?

22 And so with respect to the example of
23 tolterodine -- in fact, the genetic polymorphism
24 turned out not to be undesirable with respect to
25 tolterodine, right?

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2 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

3 A I wouldn't say that. I wouldn't make
4 that strong a statement, but I would say that --
5 that in a -- in a clinical experience it really
6 didn't make a difference as far as the clinical
7 outcomes are concerned.

8 BY MR. OELKE:

9 Q Okay. You can set that aside.

10 MR. OELKE: I think let's take a break
11 now. It will be easier.

12 VIDEO TECHNICIAN: Marks the end of Video
13 2. Off the record, 11:57.

14 (Lunch recess.)

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19 VIDEO TECHNICIAN: Marks the beginning of
20 Video 3. Deposition Culley Carson, M.D. Back on
21 the record. Time 12:52.

22 BY MR. OELKE:

23 Q Good afternoon, Dr. Carson.

24 A Good afternoon.

25 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 Carson Exhibit 16 an article entitled Superiority
3 of Fesoterodine 8-milligram versus 4-milligram in
4 reducing urgency urinary incontinence episodes in
5 patients with overactive bladder: results of the
6 randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled EIGHT
7 trial with Chapple, et al. as authors. Bates range
8 is PFE01843522 to 530.

9 (Deposition Exhibit 16 marked.)

10 THE WITNESS: Thanks.

11 BY MR. OELKE:

12 Q Have you seen Carson Exhibit 16 before?

13 A Yes, I have.

14 Q And are you familiar with Chris Chapple?

15 A Yes, very familiar. I know him
16 personally.

17 Q Okay. And is he a urologist?

18 A Yes, he is.

19 Q Is he a well-respected urologist?

20 A Very much so.

21 Q Okay. And this is a study concerning
22 8 milligrams versus 4 milligrams of fesoterodine,
23 right?

24 A Yes, it is.

25 Q And if you look at the conclusions, it

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 states there: In a 12-week,
3 prospectively-designed, superiority trial,
4 fesoterodine 8 milligrams showed statistically
5 significantly superior efficacy versus fesoterodine
6 4 milligram and placebo, as measured by reductions
7 in UUI episodes and other diary variables,
8 diary-dry dry rate, and improvements in measurement
9 -- measures of symptoms -- symptom bother, HRQL,
10 and other PROs. Do you see that?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And it says: Clear evidence of
13 dose-dependent efficacy is unique to fesoterodine
14 among anti-muscarinics and other oral agents for
15 treatment of OAB. Do you see that?

16 A Yes.

17 Q So is it your understanding that prior to
18 this trial, no other OAB treatment had been shown
19 to have dose dependent efficacy?

20 A There were other trials that look at
21 different doses and showed different outcomes, so
22 -- but this showed a -- you know, if you raise it
23 this much, then you raise the effects by the same
24 amounts.

25 Q Okay. And prior to this study, there had

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2 never been a demonstration of such a dose-dependent
3 efficacy relationship in a -- a designed --
4 prospectively-designed trial, right?

5 A Correct.

6 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

7 A Okay. This trial was designed to show
8 that particular thing. Other trials were basically
9 subgroup analyses and post hoc analyses of -- of
10 other -- of larger trials.

11 BY MR. OELKE:

12 Q Are you aware of any other OAB drug that
13 has shown dose-dependent efficacy effect?

14 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

15 A Well, they all do better at the higher
16 dose than they do at the lower dose, and, you know,
17 that's been demonstrated in a lot of studies.

18 But as far as showing -- showing it as --
19 as specifically as this, this is the only trial
20 that I'm aware of that showed that re -- that
21 result.

22 BY MR. OELKE:

23 Q Okay. Was that an important result for
24 fesoterodine?

25 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

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2 A I think it was -- yeah, I think it was
3 important for the marketing of fesoterodine for
4 sure.

5 BY MR. OELKE:

6 Q Well, was it important for -- not for the
7 marketing of fesoterodine, but for -- in comparison
8 to other OAB drugs, did it demonstrate something
9 that was important to urologists?

10 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

11 A That's a little hard to say because
12 urologists always try to up dose patients if
13 they're not responding well.

14 And we know that for patients on
15 fesoterodine, about 50 percent of them are up dosed
16 anyway in a -- as a clinical -- as a -- as a
17 clinical reality.

18 And so at -- at the end of the day this
19 showed what we all sort of already knew, I guess,
20 is what I'm -- what I'm trying to get at.

21 BY MR. OELKE:

22 Q Did you ever tell Dr. Chapple that?

23 A Not that specific thing. I mean, I know
24 Chris Chapple extremely well, but I -- I'm not sure
25 that we talked about this particular paper

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2 together.

3 Q Okay. Dr. Chapple certainly didn't
4 indicate that this was just a confirmation of what
5 was already known about OAB drugs, did he?

6 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

7 A Well, that's not what he was trying to
8 show. He was trying to show that this was true
9 with fesoterodine and he did show that.

10 BY MR. OELKE:

11 Q Right.

12 And it hadn't been shown for any other
13 OAB drug prior to this?

14 A Not in this specific way.

15 Q Okay.

16 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
17 Carson Exhibit 17 an article entitled Fesoterodine
18 Dose Response in Subjects With Overactive Bladder
19 Syndrome. And Vic Khullar is the first named
20 author. PFE00574418 to 4422.

21 (Deposition Exhibit 17 marked.)

22 THE WITNESS: Thanks.

23 BY MR. OELKE:

24 Q Are you familiar with Carson Exhibit 17?

25 A Yes, I am.

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 Q Are you familiar with this study?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And at the beginning of this -- so this
5 study also concerns fesoterodine dose response,
6 right?

7 A Yes, it does.

8 Q And are you familiar with any of these
9 authors?

10 A Yes, several of them I know well
11 personally.

12 Q Okay.

13 A Rovner, Dmochowski and Nitti.

14 Q Okay. And are those respected
15 urologists?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Now, at the beginning of this article, it
18 says: Many patients with overactive bladder
19 syndrome are successfully managed with
20 anti-muscarinic agents, but responses are variable.

21 Further therapeutic benefit might be
22 achieved with higher doses; however, dose
23 escalation has not become routine in clinical
24 practice.

25 This may be, in part, because fixed-dosed

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2 studies with the anti-muscarinic agents darifenacin
3 and solifenacin have failed to demonstrate clear
4 efficacy dose-response in parallel dosing studies.

5 Do you see that?

6 A Yes.

7 Q So for some OAB drugs they had tried to
8 make a dose escalation study that would -- that
9 would demonstrate a clear efficacy dose response
10 and they were -- they were unsuccessful, right?

11 A That's correct.

12 Q And those were darifenacin and
13 solifenacin?

14 A Right, yes.

15 Q And so, in fact, when you say that
16 fesoterodine as studied by Chapple was just -- on
17 fesoterodine was just showing what everyone
18 suspected, in fact, there had been other OAB drugs
19 where, in fact, it wasn't shown, right?

20 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

21 A There were some that were and some that
22 weren't, so, correct.

23 BY MR. OELKE:

24 Q Well, some that were and some that
25 weren't. What others besides fesoterodine have

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 ever been shown to have a dose escalation response
3 with respect to efficacy?

4 A Oxybutynin --

5 Q When was that?

6 A -- early on. Early on in their -- in
7 their period of time they started with the 5
8 milligrams and then eventually got to 5 milligrams
9 three times daily. So, you know, that
10 was definitely well-known.

11 Q If you look at Page 842.

12 A Okay.

13 Q The second column there. If you would
14 start with the third line in that second column.
15 It says: Their dose separation has not been
16 demonstrated for efficacy outcomes with
17 darifenacin, solifenacin, or tolterodine. Do you
18 see that?

19 A Yes.

20 Q So, in fact, tolterodine is another OAB
21 drug for which dose separation couldn't be shown
22 with efficacy outcomes, right?

23 A That's right.

24 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

25 A And -- and let me just back up just a

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2 little bit with that.

3 Because basically there was a definite
4 differentiation between the two doses, but it was
5 not statistically significantly different in the
6 trials when they looked at the two different doses.

7 So you could say that it was different
8 but statistically it was not different and probably
9 clinically was not different.

10 BY MR. OELKE:

11 Q Right. And in fact, tolterodine, almost
12 all patients are dosed at 4 milligrams, right?

13 A Start right off at the top, exactly.

14 Q So there's really not a dose escalation
15 scheme with tolterodine by practicing physicians,
16 right?

17 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

18 A Well, generally for practicing physicians
19 they start out with 4 milligrams. And then if the
20 patient has good response and side effects, they
21 back off to 2 milligrams. So rather than dose
22 escalating they dose deescalate.

23 BY MR. OELKE:

24 Q Okay. So that was a real benefit of
25 fesoterodine over tolterodine, wasn't it, that you

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 could dose escalate for patients that needed dose
3 escalation?

4 A Yes, absolutely.

5 Q Okay. And the -- the head-to-head
6 studies of fesoterodine 8 milligrams versus 4
7 milligrams in tolterodine, those studies showed
8 there was a real efficacy benefit for patients that
9 took 8 milligrams of fesoterodine in comparison to
10 patients that took 4 milligrams of tolterodine,
11 right?

12 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

13 A It was shown, but, and the big -- the
14 capital B in that but is that I'm not sure. And in
15 fact, I don't think that 4 milligrams and 8
16 milligrams are equivalent doses. That's No. 1.

17 But No. 2 thing is that the difference
18 is, while statistically significant, were probably
19 not clinically significant.

20 And the reason I say that is, is that if
21 you look at -- I don't remember which one of the
22 studies it is particularly, but there was a 0.1
23 incontinence time per week difference between the
24 two, which was statistically significant. But I
25 would argue that's not clinically significant to

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2 the patient.

3 So, yes, the -- the study did show
4 statistical significance. Does that mean there's
5 clinical significance between -- between those?
6 Probably not.

7 BY MR. OELKE:

8 Q But you have had patients that you had
9 dosed on 4 milligrams of tolterodine and
10 when that -- were not successful on that dose, you
11 switched them to 8 milligrams of fesoterodine,
12 right?

13 A Yes. And Steve Kaplan did a very nice
14 study showing that people that were failures on
15 tolterodine, they were then treated with 8
16 milligrams of fesoterodine were rescued. So, yes.

17 But there were also patients that were
18 successfully treated with 4 milligrams of
19 tolterodine. So that's kind of the piece of that.

20 Q But there's certainly a group of patients
21 for which fesoterodine does show a real clinical
22 benefit over what's available on the market with
23 tolterodine, right?

24 A Yes.

25 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

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2 Just give me a chance to put the
3 objections --

4 THE WITNESS: Oh, I'm sorry.

5 MS. WOOTEN: -- before you answer.

6 THE WITNESS: Sorry.

7 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark Carson
8 Exhibit 18. An article entitled Efficacy and
9 safety of fesoterodine 8 milligrams in subjects
10 with overactive bladder after a suboptimal response
11 to tolterodine ER by Kaplan, et al. Bates range
12 PFE01844264 to 272.

13 (Deposition Exhibit 18 marked.)

14 BY MR. OELKE:

15 Q Dr. Carson, do you see Exhibit 18?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And you recognize this article?

18 A I do.

19 Q And is this the article that shows a
20 benefit in patients who have a suboptimal response
21 to tolterodine 4 milligrams a day being switched to
22 8 milligrams of fesoterodine?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Is this a well-designed study?

25 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

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2 A Yes, it's a well-designed study, but it
3 takes a subgroup of patients that -- that failed --
4 failed tolterodine, and there are many patients
5 that do well with tolterodine.

6 But the question is, what do you do with
7 those patients that don't respond to it? And this
8 shows you have an option, and the option is the
9 highest dose of fesoterodine.

10 BY MR. OELKE:

11 Q And would this be referred to as a
12 nonresponder study?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Okay. And nonresponder studies are a --
15 an accepted clinical trial that's used to show the
16 efficacy of a -- of a drug in comparison to another
17 drug, right?

18 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

19 A Yes.

20 BY MR. OELKE:

21 Q And this trial, in fact, does show the
22 benefit of fesoterodine 8 milligrams for those
23 patients who don't respond to 4 milligrams of
24 tolterodine?

25 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

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2 A It does, but I would argue -- or I would
3 question that if you could raise the dose of
4 tolterodine would you get the same response. And I
5 don't know the answer to that nor does this study
6 demonstrate that.

7 BY MR. OELKE:

8 Q Well, have you ever dosed tolterodine
9 patients at 8 milligrams a day?

10 A I have.

11 Q Okay. And that's -- would be off label?

12 A It would be off label, yes.

13 Q Okay. Have you ever dosed them at higher
14 than 8 milligrams?

15 A No.

16 Q Okay. Have you ever dosed patients at
17 higher than 8 milligrams of fesoterodine?

18 A I have, yes.

19 Q Okay. And what dose have you dosed those
20 patients?

21 A The max I've -- the maximum I've ever
22 gone is -- is 12.

23 Q Okay. And do you have an understanding
24 of why tolterodine's maximum dose is 4 milligrams?

25 A Well, in the studies they looked at

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2 different side effects, and the side effects of
3 higher doses, and it was mostly in the 6- to
4 8-milligram range of tolterodine, had a significant
5 prevalence, I guess, of -- of acute urinary
6 retention.

7 There was also at very high doses the
8 concern about QT abnormalities, QT prolongation.
9 So a lot of the -- the side effects were magnified
10 at those doses.

11 And so it's one of those things where the
12 FDA kind of guides drug companies as to what dose
13 they -- they will accept based on efficacy and
14 adverse events.

15 Q Okay.

16 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
17 Carson Exhibit 19 an article entitled Tolterodine -
18 A new bladder selective muscarinic receptor
19 antagonist: preclinical pharmacological and
20 clinical data by Nilvebrant, et al. And the Bates
21 is PFE01844667 to 674.

22 (Deposition Exhibit 19 marked.)

23 THE WITNESS: Thanks.

24 BY MR. OELKE:

25 Q Dr. Carson, have you seen Exhibit 19

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2 before?

3 A I have, yes.

4 Q Okay. If you would look at -- well,
5 first of all, this -- this summarizes
6 pharmacological -- I mean, preclinical
7 pharmacological and also clinical data for
8 tolterodine, right?

9 A Yes, it does.

10 Q And if you look at Page 1135 which is
11 PFE01844673. And to be clear, it shows that on
12 that page there's a table that shows the different
13 doses that were -- were studied, right?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And its doses in milligrams bd?

16 A Yes.

17 Q So this was immediate release
18 tolterodine?

19 A Correct.

20 Q And those different doses were 0.5, 1, 2
21 and 4 bd?

22 A Yes.

23 Q So the highest dose was 8 milligrams a
24 day?

25 A Right.

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2 Q Okay. And below that table there's a
3 paragraph that -- that starts out: Tolterodine was
4 well-tolerated and the adverse events reported were
5 mainly of an anti-muscarinic nature. Do you see
6 that?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And then six lines down, it says:
9 However, five cases of urinary retention occurred,
10 four in the 4-milligram bd group and one in the
11 2-milligram bd group. Together with the market
12 increase in residual volumes observed in the
13 4-milligram bd group, this indicates that a dosage
14 of 4-milligrams bd is too high. Do you see that?

15 A Yes, I do.

16 Q So Dr. Nilvebrant and -- and her
17 co-authors concluded that 8 milligrams a day of
18 tolterodine was too high, right?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And that urinary retention was a big
21 reason for that, right?

22 A Was a risk.

23 Q Okay.

24 A Was a higher risk at that dose than at
25 lower dose, although, the lower dose risk was not

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2 zero.

3 Q Right, right.

4 Now urinary retention, is that a serious
5 effect to be concerned about when you dose
6 patients?

7 A Oh, absolutely. That -- that's one of
8 the -- one of the things you fear about these drugs
9 and one of the reasons that they weren't used in
10 men for many years, that the conventional wisdom
11 was, that if you used an anti-muscarinic in a male,
12 that they would go into urinary retention.

13 Q Okay. And you understand that
14 fesoterodine at 8 milligrams, that the -- the --
15 the risk of urinary retention is very minimal?

16 A I do.

17 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

18 BY MR. OELKE:

19 Q It's like 1 percent?

20 A It's -- it's 1 percent, yeah. And that's
21 pretty much what it is for all the other drugs,
22 too. And that's what -- that's one of the ways
23 that they establish what the maximum dose is.

24 Q Okay. And so wasn't it a surprising
25 result that fesoterodine that acts with the same

1 CULLEY C. CARSON, III, M.D.

2 active metabolite as tolterodine would not have a
3 urinary retention issue at 8 milligrams while
4 tolterodine did?

5 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

6 A Well, tolterodine acts in two ways,
7 right? 5-HMT is one piece and then tolterodine
8 itself is another piece. So you have basically two
9 active forms of -- of drug that are acting on the
10 bladder, right?

11 So, I mean, you have two things. And
12 it's nicer to have actually a clean drug that just
13 has one. The metabolite and the drug itself are
14 the only thing that you're -- that you're titrating
15 or treating with.

16 But in answer to your question there,
17 because you have two it's hard to tease out which
18 one of those is most responsible for the urinary
19 retention.

20 BY MR. OELKE:

21 Q But the urinary retention was believed to
22 be dose dependent, right?

23 A Oh, of course. And you can -- you can
24 have urinary retention with fesoterodine if you
25 dose it high enough, too.

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2 Any -- any of the anti-muscarinics, I
3 don't care which one you choose, if you dose it
4 high enough, you can completely paralyze the
5 bladder -- the detrusor muscle.

6 Q Okay. But you're -- what you told me is
7 that one of the reasons you need to be careful
8 about comparing 8 milligrams of fesoterodine to 4
9 milligrams of tolterodine is, you think that
10 they're getting the same -- you're not sure they're
11 getting the same effect since there's twice as much
12 fesoterodine being dosed as tolterodine.

13 Well, why wouldn't that same also apply
14 to the side effect of urinary retention?

15 A Because you've got -- instead of one --
16 one moiety producing the physiological effect,
17 you've got two. So the combination may effect --
18 does effect the bladder differently than the
19 independent 5-HMT.

20 Q But as of 1998, there was no indication
21 in the art that urinary retention was attributable
22 to either 5-HMT or tolterodine, right?

23 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

24 A This is true, but it was known that
25 tolterodine did cause urinary retention.

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2 So if you could come up with a drug that
3 relaxed the bladder better but had less risk of
4 urinary retention, then, you know, that would be
5 a -- that would be a home run.

6 BY MR. OELKE:

7 Q But there was nothing in the art as of
8 1998 that showed that you could take that urinary
9 retention risk out by making a 5-HMT pro drug, was
10 there?

11 A That wasn't available --

12 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

13 A That was not available in the literature
14 at that time.

15 BY MR. OELKE:

16 Q Okay. Now, as to the QT effect --

17 MR. OELKE: Mark another exhibit. Carson
18 Exhibit 20. Thorough QT Study of the effect of
19 fesoterodine on cardiac repolarization.

20 (Deposition Exhibit 20 marked.)

21 THE WITNESS: Thanks.

22 BY MR. OELKE:

23 Q Have you seen this article?

24 A Yes, I have.

25 Q Now, I know you mentioned it this

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2 morning, but can you again explain what the QT
3 effect is?

4 A Sure. There's the Q wave, the R wave,
5 the S wave in the -- in the cardiogram. The
6 different -- the distance between the Q wave and
7 the T wave are -- is measurable. And as it
8 increases, it increases the risk of potentially
9 fatal cardiac arrhythmias.

10 And so the FDA has a -- has a threshold
11 of lengthening that they -- that they will not
12 allow drugs to go beyond and still be approved.

13 Q Okay. And they studied in this paper the
14 QT effect at both a 4-milligram dose of
15 fesoterodine and a 28-milligram dose, right?

16 A Right.

17 Q And their conclusion was that both the 4-
18 and 28-milligram dose did not show an increase with
19 respect to the QT effect, right?

20 A That's correct.

21 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

22 BY MR. OELKE:

23 Q If you turn to Page 317.

24 A I think one of the important parts of
25 this paper is that they also measured that against

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2 the active placebo moxifloxacin. So that's
3 critically important.

4 Q Okay. So you think this was a
5 well-designed study?

6 A I do.

7 Q If you turn to Page 317. It says there:
8 This trial demonstrated that fesoterodine does not
9 affect the QTc interval in healthy subjects aged 45
10 to 65 after a therapeutic (4 milligram) or a
11 suprathreshold dose (28 milligrams) of
12 fesoterodine. Do you see that?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Okay. So does that -- why would you
15 study a suprathreshold dose as high as
16 28 milligrams?

17 A People -- people overdose, No. 1. And
18 just to show what the -- what the safety parameters
19 of the drug are. So that's often done in -- in
20 these kinds of -- of safety trials.

21 Q Okay. Now, the QT effect is -- is
22 mentioned, as we have talked about earlier, in
23 tolterodine's label, right?

24 A That's correct.

25 Q And so there is a QT benefit for

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2 fesoterodine over tolterodine; isn't that right?

3 A That is definitely true.

4 Q Okay. And that is a benefit that
5 clinicians will take into account when they decide
6 whether to dose a patient on -- that has OAB on
7 fesoterodine versus tolterodine?

8 A Yes.

9 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

10 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.

11 MR. OELKE: I would like to mark as
12 Carson Exhibit 21 a paper entitled, A comprehensive
13 non-clinical evaluation of the CNS penetration
14 potential of anti-muscarinic agents for the
15 treatment of overactive bladder. By Callegari, et
16 al. And that's Bates PFE01843446 to 3456 -- I'm
17 sorry, 3457.

18 (Deposition Exhibit 21 marked.)

19 BY MR. OELKE:

20 Q Have you seen this paper before?

21 A Yes, I have.

22 Q And is this the paper where they
23 determine that it's the -- whether an
24 anti-muscarinic is a P-gp substrate or not is
25 whether it will potentially penetrate into the --

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2 across the blood-brain barrier?

3 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

4 A This is one of the papers. And actually,
5 it's -- it's a little different from that in that
6 the drugs will penetrate, but if there are
7 substrates of P-gp, then the P-gp will wash them
8 out.

9 So they go in but then they're flushed
10 out. So that's -- that's kind of the important
11 part of the P-gp system.

12 BY MR. OELKE:

13 Q Okay. And a study of whether or not
14 5-HMT, fesoterodine and tolterodine were P-gp
15 substrates or not was around 2011 when this was
16 published?

17 A It may be a little before but in that --
18 in that time frame.

19 Q Okay. So in 1998-1999 persons of
20 ordinary skill would have had no idea whether or
21 not any of those OAB drugs were P-gp substrates or
22 not, right?

23 A Well, not to my knowledge.

24 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

25 A Perhaps people in the laboratory knew

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2 that, but I don't think -- urologists certainly did
3 not know that.

4 BY MR. OELKE:

5 Q And you're not aware of any publication
6 that suggested that a P-gp substrate -- whether or
7 not a -- a particular anti-muscarinic was a P-gp
8 substrate had been studied at that point?

9 A I'm not aware of any.

10 Q And as it turns out, the fact that
11 tolterodine is not a P-gp substrate and 5-HMT is a
12 P-gp substrate is what any CNS side effects are
13 attributable to those particular compounds, right?

14 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

15 A It's certainly one of the -- one of the
16 portions of that. I don't know that that's the
17 only thing, but it's -- it's certainly one of the
18 -- one of the issues.

19 BY MR. OELKE:

20 Q The accepted reason that there may be
21 some CNS side effects associated with tolterodine
22 is that it is not a P-gp substrate, right?

23 A Correct.

24 Q Okay. And that wasn't known earlier than
25 2010?

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2 A To my knowledge, not.

3 Q So the fact that tolterodine might -- the
4 compound rather than 5-HMT might be causing CNS
5 side effects was not known in the art in 1998 to
6 1999?

7 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

8 A Can you restate that, I -- sorry, it was
9 a little complex.

10 BY MR. OELKE:

11 Q I'm sorry, let me try that one more time.

12 In the 1998-1999 time frame, it was not
13 known whether any CNS side effects from the dosing
14 of tolterodine was attributable to either
15 tolterodine or 5-HMT?

16 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

17 A That differentiation had not been made at
18 that time.

19 BY MR. OELKE:

20 Q And so as of that time a person of
21 ordinary skill seeking to make a drug that would
22 decrease those CNS side effects would not know
23 whether to start with tolterodine or 5-HMT, right?

24 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

25 A That's correct. But if you have the two

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2 different options, then why wouldn't you try one
3 and the other and then see which one is most
4 effective, fewest -- fewest CNS complications, et
5 cetera.

6 BY MR. OELKE:

7 Q So if there was CNS side effects
8 associated with tolterodine in 1998-1999 -- and
9 there weren't many, right?

10 A There were not many.

11 Q Okay. But to the extent there were any,
12 you would have had to study both tolterodine and
13 5-HMT and -- as lead compounds in order to make any
14 conclusions about what ultimate compound would be
15 -- would be beneficial in eliminating those CNS
16 side effects?

17 A Of course.

18 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

19 BY MR. OELKE:

20 Q Go to your initial expert report which is
21 Exhibit 1.

22 A Okay.

23 Q If you go to Paragraph 79 which is on
24 Page 25.

25 A Okay.

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2 Q If you go to the end of that -- that
3 paragraph, it's -- it's talking about CYP2D6
4 metabolism but also CYP3A4 metabolism. Do you see
5 that?

6 A At the end of -- oh, that's actually on
7 26. Okay, got it.

8 Q Sorry, yeah.

9 A Okay.

10 Q So at the top of that page 26, it starts:
11 Additionally, there was also a concern about CYP450
12 metabolism of tolterodine.

13 It says: Tolterodine metabolism is
14 mediated by CYP450 2D6, and in patients with poor
15 metabolism of CYP450 2D6, dealkylation occurs via
16 CYP450 3A4. Do you see that?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Indeed, tolterodine's label requires that
19 in patients receiving CYP450 3A4 inhibitors, the
20 maximum daily dose of tolterodine should be 1
21 milligram twice a day. Do you see that?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Okay. So we talked earlier about the
24 studies that -- that have looked at CYP2D6 and the
25 determination that poor metabolizers and extensive

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2 metabolizers received the same net effect.

3 But with respect to 3A4, there's no
4 suggestion that 3A4 metabolism of tolterodine
5 creates any risk for patients, is there?

6 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

7 A If there's -- if there's more 3A4
8 metabolism, then the drug isn't going to act as
9 well, isn't going to work as well.

10 And if -- and if there's less 3A4, which
11 is the more common thing in the -- in clinical
12 practice, then the drug could be around longer.

13 So you could overdose the patient
14 potentially if it -- if you really -- if the entire
15 cascade of events was -- was -- was through the --
16 the 3A4 pathway.

17 BY MR. OELKE:

18 Q But the 3A4 pathway is the resulting
19 metabolite that is -- is a dealkylated version,
20 right, of tolterodine?

21 A That's correct.

22 Q And there's no indication that that
23 metabolite has any -- presents any toxicity risk,
24 is there?

25 A No.

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2 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

3 A No, there's not, but that's not the
4 point. The point is that if you stop that
5 metabolism, then the tolterodine stays around for a
6 longer period of time.

7 BY MR. OELKE:

8 Q Are you aware of any studies indicating
9 that accumulation of tolterodine presents a risk?

10 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

11 A No, but if -- but if the -- if the
12 effective dose goes over the 4-milligram range,
13 then -- then you're -- the things we talked about
14 are -- are risks, things like acute urinary
15 retention and QT abnormalities.

16 BY MR. OELKE:

17 Q Okay. But again, none of that's
18 mentioned in the label for Detrol, is it?

19 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

20 A The only thing that's mentioned is -- is
21 the caveat that if the patient's on a 3A4
22 inhibitor, that you should lower the dose. So one
23 would assume that there's a reason for that.

24 BY MR. OELKE:

25 Q What's -- what are some examples of 3A4

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2 inhibitors?

3 A Macrolide antibiotics, PDE5 inhibitors,
4 some antidepressants, some antipsychotics.

5 Probably the one that's -- the macrolide
6 antibiotics are very common and they're very strong
7 3A4 inhibitors. And the PDE5 inhibitors are also
8 very strong.

9 Q So when you dose a patient on
10 tolterodine, do you determine whether they have
11 any -- they're on any 3A4 drugs?

12 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

13 A I usually look at their drug list and see
14 if there's any that -- that stand out as 3A4 --
15 BY MR. OELKE:

16 Q And does it --

17 A -- abnormalities.

18 Q I'm sorry.

19 Does that change your -- your dosing
20 regimen that you prescribe them?

21 A It may. If they're having side effects,
22 I may basically go to a drug that doesn't have that
23 -- doesn't have any impact in that -- in that
24 pathway.

25 Q Okay. But when you're making a decision

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2 whether or not to -- to treat a patient with
3 tolterodine, you don't make a no -- a go, no-go
4 decision on that drug based on whether they're on a
5 3A4 inhibitor, right?

6 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

7 A Not usually, no.

8 BY MR. OELKE:

9 Q Okay. If you go to Paragraph 96 which is
10 on Page 31. You say there: Other publications, as
11 detailed above, suggested the same solution of
12 removing tolterodine from the dosing schema or
13 pathway by focusing on delivery of 5-HMT. Do you
14 see that?

15 A Yes.

16 Q What other publications are you referring
17 to there?

18 A It says, See Paragraph 83 to 85. So the
19 Sparf publication and the Sparf report is one. I
20 guess that's the main one.

21 Q Well, that's just a Sparf deposition
22 transcript, right?

23 A Right.

24 Q So that's not a publication, is it?

25 A It's written, I guess, so...

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2 Q Well, his deposition was taken a year or
3 two ago?

4 A Okay, okay.

5 Q So -- and Dr. -- you know Dr. Sparf is
6 not a urologist, right?

7 A I do, yes.

8 Q He's a pharmacologist, right?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Have you ever met Dr. Sparf?

11 A I have not.

12 Q Okay. So the other publications, as
13 detailed above, I just want to understand, do you
14 know any other publications you're referring to
15 there or is that just a -- a typo in the -- in the
16 paragraph?

17 A That's basically --

18 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

19 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.

20 A It's basically the -- that deposition.

21 BY MR. OELKE:

22 Q Okay. If you look at Paragraph 82. You
23 state there: Given this knowledge, and it's
24 referring to the -- the Nilvebrant paper -- or
25 statement from the Nilvebrant paper.

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2 A Right.

3 Q It says: Given this knowledge, dosing
4 clinicians were looking at the literature and
5 questioning why 5-HMT was not being used as the
6 active ingredient in the pharmaceutical product for
7 treatment of OAB. Do you see that?

8 A Yes.

9 Q But you can't identify any actual
10 literature where there were clinicians that were
11 questioning why 5-HMT wasn't being used as an
12 active ingredient, right?

13 MS. WOOTEN: Objection, form.

14 A No. I mean, basically it's conversations
15 at meetings and that kind of thing. If that's a
16 great drug, why not use that independently. But
17 there -- there's no specific peer review
18 publication that states that.

19 BY MR. OELKE:

20 Q And you don't recall any conversations in
21 the 1998-1999 time frame or before that any
22 clinicians were saying, why isn't 5-HMT being used
23 as an active ingredient in drugs?

24 A I don't recall any -- any conversations
25 like that. It could have happened, but I don't --

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2 I don't recall anything like that.

3 Q You didn't tell anyone that, right?

4 A Not that I know. Not that I know of.

5 MR. OELKE: Let's take a break.

6 VIDEO TECHNICIAN: Going off the record.

7 1:35.

8 (Recess taken.)

9 VIDEO TECHNICIAN: Back on the record.

10 1:41.

11 BY MR. OELKE:

12 Q If you would turn to Exhibit 1, Paragraph
13 98.

14 A Okay.

15 Q The very first sentence there says: As
16 to whether fesoterodine would be considered
17 commercially successful or not based on metrics
18 such as sales or shares, I cannot really give an
19 opinion on that. Do you see that?

20 A Yes.

21 Q So you're not going to be opining on the
22 commercial success of fesoterodine, are you?

23 A No, because that's really measured by the
24 company that's marketing it more than anybody else
25 or anything else.

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2 Q Okay. You're not giving opinions on
3 commercial success, right?

4 A No.

5 Q That's not an area of expertise for you?

6 A It is not.

7 MR. OELKE: Okay. Thank you, Dr. Carson.
8 I have no further questions for you.

9 THE WITNESS: Okay, thanks.

10 MS. WOOTEN: I don't have any follow-up
11 for you.

12 THE WITNESS: Okay, great.

13 VIDEO TECHNICIAN: Marks the end of Video
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