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CONCLUSIONS

A new triazole, KP-103 had potent activity against *C. albicans* and moderate activity against dermatophytes. The anti-*Candida* activity of KP-103 was higher than that of all the reference drugs, CTZ, NCZ, LCZ and BTF. On the other hand, the anti-*Trichophyton* activity of KP-103 was equal to or higher than that of CTZ and NCZ but lower than that of LCZ and BTF.

The anti-*Trichophyton* activities of the reference drugs were substantially reduced when cultures were grown in serum-supplemented medium or hair suspension, but the activity of KP-103 was less affected. KP-103 exhibited fungicidal activity comparable to LCZ and BTF against *T. mentagrophytes* when cultures were grown on the excised human horny layer. KP-103 has low affinity with keratin as compared with LCZ and BTF. These biological characteristics of KP-103 might be reflected by its favorable *in vivo* efficacies.

In summary, KP-103 is active against a wide variety of pathogenic fungi including yeasts, dermatophytes, and *Aspergillus* spp. Since it has a low affinity with the horny layer of the skin, its antifungal activity seems well kept in this tissue.

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In vitro Activity of KP-103, a Novel Topical Antifungal Triazole.

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ABSTRACT

The *in vitro* activity of KP-103, a triazole having 4-methylenepiperidine moiety at the C-3 position, was compared with that of clotrimazole (CTZ), neticonazole (NCZ), lanoconazole (LCZ), and butenafine (BTF) against pathogenic fungi. MIC₈₀ values (μg/ml) were shown below.

Fungi (No. of strains)	MIC ₈₀ (μg/ml)					Media ^a
	KP-103	CTZ	NCZ	LCZ	BTF	
<i>C. albicans</i> (44)	0.002	0.0313	0.0625	0.25	>8.0	A
<i>M. furfur</i> (6)	0.025	6.25	3.13	0.78	12.5	C
<i>Aspergillus</i> spp. (15)	0.0625	2.0	0.25	0.002	0.25	A
<i>T. rubrum</i> (39)	0.125	0.5	0.125	0.0078	0.0078	B
<i>T. mentagrophytes</i> (28)	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.0313	0.0156	B

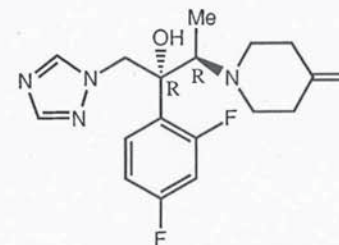
^a A, 0.165 M MOPS-buffered RPMI 1640 medium, pH 7.0; B, Sabouraud dextrose broth; C, medium C (Faergemann, J. et al. Acta Derm. Venereol. Suppl 86: 1-23, 1979).

KP-103 was the most active against *C. albicans* and *M. furfur* among the tested drugs. Its activity against *Trichophyton* spp. was almost equal to those of CTZ and NCZ, but was weaker than those of LCZ and BTF.

Anti-*T. mentagrophytes* activities of the reference drugs were reduced by the addition of human serum and horny materials as reported, while that of KP-103 was not affected. Furthermore, anti-*T. mentagrophytes* activity of KP-103 on the stripped human horny layer was equal to those of LCZ and BTF. These results reflected *in vivo* efficacies.

In summary, KP-103 has a broad antifungal spectrum and could keep a high activity in the horny layer where fungi reside.

Figure 1. Chemical structure of KP-103



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INTRODUCTION

ral kinds of topical antifungal drugs, such as imidazoles (miconazole, ketoconazole, and lanoconazole), allylamine (naftifine), butenafine, and morpholine (amorolfine) developed and introduced into the market. These are for the once-a-day treatment of dermatomycosis. These antifungal drugs have relatively broad spectra of activity in the extent of their activities against different fungi. Butenafine and butenafine are less active against yeast-like fungi than against dermatophytes than are most

Only two triazole antifungal agents, fluconazole and itraconazole, are used systemically for the treatment of both deep and superficial mycosis, but not used topically. We have developed a novel topical triazole having a methylenespiroperazine moiety (Figure 1). In this study, we examined the *in vitro* antifungal activity of KP-103 in comparison with that of the reference antifungal agents, clotrimazole (CTZ), neticonazole (NCZ), lanoconazole (LNCZ) and naftifine (BTF).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

sting procedures.

determined by the NCCLS-based microdilution method¹⁾ used was RPMI 1640 medium adjusted to pH 7.0. The test organisms were grown on yeast morphology at 25°C for 2 or 3 days. The colonies were suspended in the turbidity of a 0.5 McFarland standard. The cells were then diluted 100-fold for *Candida* spp. and 10-fold for *Cryptococcus* spp. and inoculated into the wells of a 96-well plate with RPMI 1640 medium. Aliquots of 0.1 ml of the suspension were dispensed into the wells containing 0.1 ml of two-fold serial dilutions of the test organisms. The final inoculum size was: *Candida* spp., 0.5–2.5 × 10³ cells/ml; *Cryptococcus* spp., 0.5–2.5 × 10⁴ cells/ml and all microplates were incubated at 37°C for 1–2 days (*Candida* spp.) and 3 days (*Cryptococcus* spp.).

determined by the microdilution method using RPMI 1640. The organisms were grown on potato dextrose agar (PDA) for 10 days. Final inoculum size was 1×10^4 conidia/ml. All incubated at 30°C for 3 days.

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etermined by the agar dilution method. Test organisms
ants of PDA containing 1% yeast-extract, 1% peptone,
at 30°C for 5 days. Five microliters (1×10^4 cells) of the
were spotted on medium C² plates containing two-fold
d all plates were incubated at 30°C for 5 days.

imum inhibitory and fungicidal concentrations (MICs

didia and *Cryptococcus* spp. were defined as the lowest inhibiting $\geq 80\%$ of growth compared with the growth of *Malassezia* spp., dermatophytes, and *Aspergillus* spp. The lowest drug concentration that inhibited visible growth

matophytes were determined by subculture of 10 μ l of ite at 30°C for 7 days and were defined as the lowest t that produced $\geq 98\%$ reduction of the final inoculum. and hair on anti-*T. mentagrophytes* activity. mentagrophytes were determined by the microdilution ee tested media (SDB, SDB containing 10% human man hair suspension in saline). MFCs were determined air on SDA plate at 30°C for 7 days and defined as the ntration that completely prevented visible growth of fungi. y on horny layer.

The skin were stripped from arms of five healthy male lophophore tapes. The horny layer tapes were cut, put, incubated at 30°C for 24 h. Twenty microliter of two-fold dilutions was applied on each horny layer and spread. was wipe off. After each slide glass was incubated at 30°C for 4 h, 5 μ l (5 \times 10⁵ cells) of the fungal suspension was applied on each slide glass. Each slide glass was incubated at 30°C for 24 h. The growth of fungi was determined by subculture of tape on SDA plate at 30°C and defined as the lowest drug concentration that inhibited visible growth of fungi.

Affinity with keratin.

Drug release. Aliquot of 0.1 ml of each drug solution (1 mg/ml) was dispensed into 9.9 ml of 5% keratin suspension in saline to give a final concentration of 10 μ g/ml. Each tube was incubated at 37°C for 1 h with shaking. After incubation, the mixture was centrifuged and two 150- μ l portions of the supernatant were taken to determine the adsorption rate of drug to keratin. The drug-bound keratin was washed 10 times by shaking in saline at 37°C for 10 min. After each wash, the mixture was centrifuged and two 150 μ l portions of the supernatant were taken to determine the release rate of drug from keratin. The drug concentration in the supernatant was determined by the conventional agar-well diffusion assay using *A. niger* for LCZ, *T. mentagrophytes* for BTf, and *C. kary* for KP-103 as the test organism.

Figure 2. Chemical structures of reference drugs

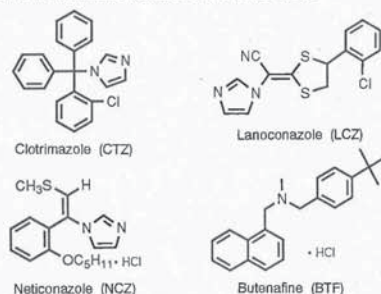


Table 1. Antifungal activity of KP-103 against *C. albicans*, *T. rubrum*, and *T. mentagrophytes*

Organisms (No. of strains)	Compounds	MIC ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)		
		Range	50% I ₅₀	80% I ₈₀
<i>C. albicans</i> (44)	KP-103	0.0005-0.0156	0.002	0.002
	CTZ	0.0078-0.25	0.0156	0.0313
	NCZ	0.0313->1.0	0.0625	0.0625
	LCZ	0.0313->1.0	0.125	0.25
	BTF	>8.0	>8.0	>8.0
<i>T. rubrum</i> (39)	KP-103	0.0156-0.5	0.0625	0.125
	CTZ	0.0625-1.0	0.25	0.5
	NCZ	0.0156-0.5	0.0625	0.125
	LCZ	0.0005-0.0313	0.0039	0.0078
	BTF	0.0039-0.0156	0.0039	0.0078
<i>T. mentagrophytes</i> (28)	KP-103	0.0625-0.5	0.25	0.25
	CTZ	0.125 -0.25	0.25	0.25
	NCZ	0.0313-0.25	0.125	0.25
	LCZ	0.001 -0.0625	0.0156	0.0313
	BTF	0.0039-0.0156	0.0078	0.0156

Table 2. Fungicidal activity of KP-103 against *T. rubrum* and *T. mentagrophytes*

Organisms (No. of strains)	Compounds	MIC ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)		
		Range	50 %	80 %
<i>T. rubrum</i> (39)	KP-103	0.0156-1.0	0.125	0.25
	CTZ	0.0625-2.0	0.25	0.5
	NCZ	0.156-1.0	0.25	0.25
	LCZ	0.0005-0.0625	0.0078	0.0313
	BTF	0.0039-0.0156	0.0078	0.0078
<i>T. mentagrophytes</i> (28)	KP-103	0.125 -1.0	0.25	0.25
	CTZ	0.125 -0.5	0.25	0.5
	NCZ	0.0625-1.0	0.25	0.25
	LCZ	0.0039-0.0625	0.0313	0.0313
	BTF	0.0039-0.0313	0.0078	0.0156

Table 3. Antifungal activity of KP-103 against various pathogenic fungi

Organisms (No. of strains)	Geometric mean MIC ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)				
	KP-103	CTZ	NCZ	LCZ	BTF
<i>C. tropicalis</i> (4)	0.0157	0.1249	0.2973	0.3536	>2.3784
<i>C. krusei</i> (2)	0.0442	0.125	0.25	1.4142	1.4142
<i>C. parapsilosis</i> (3)	0.0197	0.125	1.2599	1.5874	>2.5198
<i>C. guilliermondii</i> (1)	0.0039	0.0625	0.5	0.25	4.0
<i>C. stellatoidea</i> (1)	0.0313	0.125	0.25	0.125	0.5
<i>C. l. utillis</i> (3)	0.0313	0.125	0.25	0.0625	0.25
<i>C. glabrata</i> (6)	0.0124	0.2227	0.0156	0.0197	>4.0
<i>C. neoformans</i> (4)	0.0039	0.1768	0.3536	0.25	0.5
<i>C. laurentii</i> (1)	0.0625	0.5	1.0	0.5	>4.0
<i>M. furfur</i> (6)	0.025	3.9415	2.4816	0.6191	9.9213
<i>M. pachydermatis</i> (2)	<0.006	1.56	0.78	0.1	1.1031
<i>T. violaceum</i> (2)	0.0156	0.0884	0.0221	0.0014	0.0039
<i>T. ajelii</i> (1)	0.0313	0.125	0.0625	0.0078	0.0078
<i>M. canis</i> (1)	0.0313	0.25	0.0625	0.0078	0.0078
<i>M. gypseum</i> (2)	0.0422	0.1768	0.0625	0.0028	0.0078
<i>E. floccosum</i> (1)	0.0078	0.0625	0.0156	0.001	0.0078
<i>A. fumigatus</i> (3)	0.0496	1.2599	0.1984	0.0010	0.1984
<i>A. flavus</i> (5)	0.0413	0.6598	0.25	0.0011	0.0825
<i>A. niger</i> (4)	0.0625	2.0	0.3536	0.0024	0.1768
<i>A. terreus</i> (2)	0.0625	2.0	0.3536	0.0020	0.1768
<i>A. nidulans</i> (1)	0.125	2.0	0.25	0.001	0.5

Table 4. Effect of human serum on anti-*T. mentagrophytes* activity of KP-103

Organisms (No. of strains)	Compounds	Geometric mean MIC ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)	
		SDB	SDB with 10% serum
<i>T. mentagrophytes</i> (8)	KP-103	0.1487	0.1621(x1)
	CTZ	0.1051	0.5946(x6)
	NCZ	0.1363	0.3536(x3)
	LCZ	0.0066	0.1768(x27)
	BTf	0.0078	0.0442(x6)

Table 5. Effect of human hair on anti-*T. mentagrophytes* activity of KP-103

Compounds	SDB		5% hair suspension	
	MIC(μ g/ml)	MFC(μ g/ml)	MIC(μ g/ml)	MFC(μ g/ml)
KP-103	0.2	0.2	0.2 (x1)	0.39(x2)
CTZ	0.2	0.39	6.25(x32)	12.5 (x32)
NCZ	0.1	0.1	1.56(x16)	3.13(x32)
LCZ	0.006	0.025	0.1 (x16)	0.39(x16)
BTf	0.006	0.006	0.2 (x32)	0.39(x64)

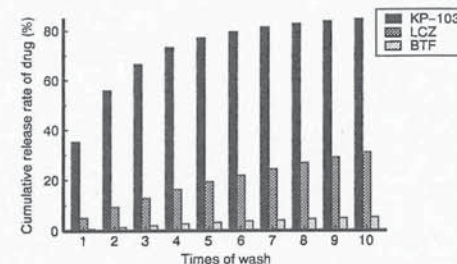
Table 6. Fungicidal activity of KP-103 against *C. albicans* and *T. mentagrophytes* grown on human horny layer.

Organisms	Compounds	MFC (%)				
		Human horny layer pieces				
		No.1	No.2	No.3	No.4	No.5
<i>C. albicans</i> KC-36	KP-103	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.008	0.008
	CTZ	>1.0	>1.0	0.5	>1.0	0.5
	NCZ	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0
	LCZ	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0
	BTF	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0
<i>T. menta</i> KD-04	KP-103	0.016	0.016	0.016	0.016	0.008
	CTZ	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	>1.0	0.5
	NCZ	0.25	0.25	0.125	0.5	0.125
	LCZ	0.016	0.016	0.016	0.032	0.008
	BTF	0.016	0.016	0.008	0.016	0.008

Table 7. The rate of adsorption of KP-103 to keratin

Drug / keratin ratio (w/w) in the incubation mixture	Adsorption rate (%) of:		
	KP-103	LCZ	BTF
1:5000	60.3	94.9	95.7

Figure 3. The rate of release of KP-103 from the drug-bound keratin



RESULTS

1) Against *C. albicans*, CTZ, NCZ, LCZ, and BTF were 16-, 32-, 126-, >4096-fold, respectively, less active than KP-103 (Table 1).

2) Against *T. rubrum*, KP-103 was 16-fold less active than LCZ and BTF but as active as NCZ and twofold more active than CTZ.

Against *T. mentagrophytes*, KP-103 was 8- to 16-fold less active than LCZ and BTF but as active as CTZ and NCZ (Table 1).

3) The MFC_{80} value of KP-103 was equal to or two times higher than its MIC_{80} value for *Trichophyton* spp., which indicates that KP-103 was fungicidal against this fungi (Tables 1 and 2).

4) Against *Candida*, *Cryptococcus*, and *Malassezia* spp. KP-103 was the most active among the tested drugs (Table 3).

5) Against *Aspergillus* spp. KP-103 was less active than LCZ but more active than CTZ, NCZ, and BTF (Table 3).

6) Against dermatophytes other than *T. rubrum* and *T. mentagrophytes*, KP-103 was less active than LCZ and BTF but more active than CTZ and NCZ (Table 3).

7) The anti-*T. mentagrophytes* activities of the reference drugs were 3- to 27-fold reduced by the addition 10% human serum to the assay medium, but the activity of KP-103 was little affected (Table 4).

8) The anti-*T. mentagrophytes* activities of the reference drugs in SDB were 16- to 32-fold more lower than those of the reference drugs in 5% human hair suspension in saline, but the activity of KP-103 was the same in both media (Table 5).

9) KP-103 had fungicidal activity against *C. albicans* and *T. mentagrophytes* grown on human horny layer. Among the drugs tested, KP-103 was the most active against *C. albicans*. Against *T. mentagrophytes*, the activity of KP-103 was stronger than that of CTZ and NCZ and comparable to that of LCZ and BTF (Table 6).

10) KP-103 showed low adsorption to keratin and high release from keratin as compared with LCZ and BTF (Table 7 and Figure 3).

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