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Applicant: Bruce Scharschmidt et al.

Title: METHODS OF THERAPEUTIC MONITORING OF

NITROGEN SCAVENGING DRUGS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

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Commissioner:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as indicated on the following pages.

This paper contains:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings are reflected on page 3 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected on page 4 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments follow the Amendments to the Claims.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend paragraph [001] as follows:

[0001] The present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application 14/816,674, filed August 3, 2015, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application 13/775,000, filed February 22, 2013 and now issued as U.S. Patent 9,095,559, which is a continuation divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 13/417,137, filed March 9, 2012, and now pending issued as U.S. Patent 8,404,215, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/564,668, filed November 29, 2011, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/542,100, filed September 30, 2011, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety, including drawings.

Amendments to the Drawings:

Please replace Figures 1-3 with the accompanying replacement formal drawing sheets for Figures 1-3.

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1.-11. (Cancelled)
- 12. (New) A method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder, the method comprising: administering to the subject in need thereof glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] in an amount sufficient to produce a fasting plasma ammonia level that is less than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level,

wherein the method further comprises restricting the subject's dietary protein intake.

- 13. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is 35 μ mol/L.
- 14. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein the glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 15. (New) A method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder, the method comprising: administering to the subject in need thereof glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] in an amount sufficient to produce a fasting plasma ammonia level that is less than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level,

wherein the method further comprises monitoring the subject's ammonia levels if the glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is not being adequately digested by the subject's pancreatic lipases.

- 16. (New) The method of claim 15, wherein the glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 17. (New) A method for adjusting the dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] in a subject being treated for a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of sodium phenylbutyrate, the method comprising:

administering an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate], wherein the initial dosage is determined by the amount of the initial dosage of sodium phenylbutyrate, and

administering to the subject in need thereof an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate], wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is an amount sufficient to produce a fasting plasma ammonia level that is less than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.

- 18. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 19. (New) The method of claim 17, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 20. (New) A method of treating a pediatric subject with a urea cycle disorder, the method comprising:

administering to the pediatric subject glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] in an amount sufficient to produce a fasting plasma ammonia level that is less than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level,

wherein said administration results in an improvement in executive function in the pediatric subject.

21. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein the glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application. In the specification, the priority paragraph has been added. In addition, the figures have been replaced with formal drawing sheets. Finally, claims 1-11 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 12-21 have been added. No new matter has been introduced by those amendments.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone or email, if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

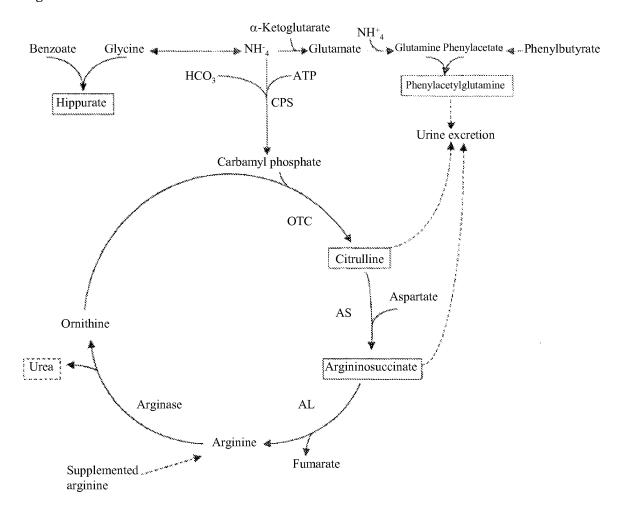
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Figure 1



REPLACEMENT SHEET

Figure 2

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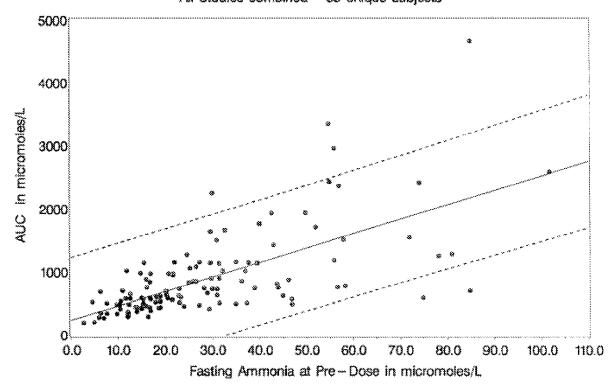
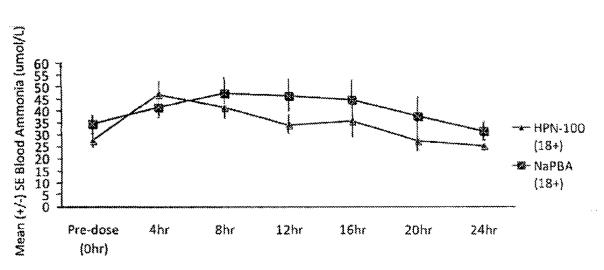
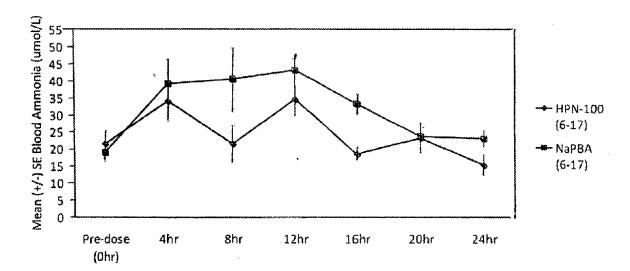


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METHODS OF THERAPEUTIC MONITORING OF NITROGEN SCAVENGING DRUGS

RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 13/417,137, filed March 9, 2012 and now pending, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/564,668, filed November 29, 2011, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 61/542,100, filed September 30, 2011, the disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety, including drawings.

BACKGROUND

[0002] Nitrogen retention disorders associated with elevated ammonia levels include urea cycle disorders (UCDs) and hepatic encephalopathy (HE).

[0003] UCDs include several inherited deficiencies of enzymes or transporters necessary for the synthesis of urea from ammonia, including enzymes involved in the urea cycle. The urea cycle is depicted in Figure 1, which also illustrates how certain ammonia-scavenging drugs act to assist in elimination of excessive ammonia. With reference to Figure 1, N-acetyl glutamine synthetase (NAGS)-derived N-acetylglutamate binds to carbamyl phosphate synthetase (CPS), which activates CPS and results in the conversion of ammonia and bicarbonate to carbamyl phosphate. In turn, carbamyl phosphate reacts with ornithine to produce citrulline in a reaction mediated by ornithine transcarbamylase (OTC). A second molecule of waste nitrogen is incorporated into the urea cycle in the next reaction, mediated by arginosuccinate synthetase (ASS), in which citrulline is condensed with aspartic acid to form argininosuccinic acid. Argininosuccinic acid is cleaved by argininosuccinic lyase (ASL) to produce arginine and fumarate. In the final reaction of the urea cycle, arginase (ARG) cleaves arginine to produce ornithine and urea. Of the two atoms of nitrogen incorporated into urea, one originates from free ammonia (NH₄⁺) and the other from aspartate. UCD individuals born with no meaningful residual urea synthetic capacity typically present in the first few days of life (neonatal presentation). Individuals with residual function typically present later in childhood or even in adulthood, and symptoms may be precipitated by increased dietary protein or physiological stress (e.g., intercurrent illness).

[0004] Hepatic encephalopathy (HE) refers to a spectrum of neurologic signs and symptoms believed to result from hyperammonemia, which frequently occur in subjects with cirrhosis or

certain other types of liver disease. Subjects with HE typically show altered mental status ranging from subtle changes to coma, features similar to subjects with UCDs.

[0005] Subjects with nitrogen retention disorders whose ammonia levels and/or symptoms are not adequately controlled by dietary restriction of protein and/or dietary supplements are generally treated with nitrogen scavenging agents such as sodium phenylbutyrate (NaPBA, approved in the United States as BUPHENYL® and in Europe as AMMONAPS®) or sodium benzoate. These are often referred to as alternate pathway drugs because they provide the body with an alternate pathway to urea for excretion of waste nitrogen (Brusilow 1980; Brusilow 1991). NaPBA is a phenylacetic acid (PAA) prodrug. Another nitrogen scavenging drug currently in development for the treatment of nitrogen retention disorders is glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate](HPN-100), which is described in U.S. Patent No. 5,968,979. HPN-100, which is commonly referred to as GT4P or glycerol PBA, is a prodrug of PBA and a pre-prodrug of PAA.

[0006] HPN-100 and NaPBA share the same general mechanism of action: PBA is converted to PAA via beta oxidation, and PAA is conjugated enzymatically with glutamine to form phenylacetylglutamine (PAGN), which is excreted in the urine. The structures of PBA, PAA, and PAGN are set forth below.

[0007] The clinical benefit of NaPBA and HPN-100 with regard to nitrogen retention disorders derives from the ability of PAGN to effectively replace urea as a vehicle for waste nitrogen excretion and/or to reduce the need for urea synthesis (Brusilow 1991; Brusilow 1993). Because

each glutamine contains two molecules of nitrogen, the body rids itself of two waste nitrogen atoms for every molecule of PAGN excreted in the urine. Therefore, two equivalents of nitrogen are removed for each mole of PAA converted to PAGN. PAGN represents the predominant terminal metabolite, and one that is stoichiometrically related to waste nitrogen removal, a measure of efficacy in the case of nitrogen retention states. The difference between HPN-100 and NaPBA with respect to metabolism is that HPN-100 is a triglyceride and requires digestion, presumably by pancreatic lipases, to release PBA (McGuire 2010).

[0008] In contrast to NaPBA or HPN-100, sodium benzoate acts when benzoic acid is combined enzymatically with glycine to form hippuric acid. For each molecule of hippuric acid excreted in the urine, the body rids itself of one waste nitrogen atom.

[0009] Methods of determining an effective dosage of PAA prodrugs such as NaPBA or HPN-100 for a subject in need of treatment for a nitrogen retention disorder are described in WO09/1134460 and WO10/025303. Daily ammonia levels, however, may vary greatly in a subject. This can lead to overestimation by the physician of the average daily ammonia levels, which may result in overtreatment. Thus, there is a need in the art for improved methods for PAA prodrug dose determination and adjustment based on ammonia levels in subjects with nitrogen retention disorders such as UCDs or HE.

SUMMARY

[0010] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods for determining whether to increase a dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder by measuring a fasting blood ammonia level and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to the upper limit of normal (ULN) for blood ammonia, where a fasting blood ammonia level that is greater than half the ULN for blood ammonia indicates that the dosage needs to be increased. In certain embodiments, the nitrogen retention disorder is a UCD or HE. In certain embodiments, the nitrogen scavenging drug is HPN-100, PBA, NaPBA, sodium benzoate, or any combination thereof (i.e., any combination of two or more of HPN-100, PBA, NaPBA). In certain embodiments, the ULN is around 35 μ mol/L or 59 μ g/mL. In certain embodiments, the methods include an additional step of administering an increased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug if the need exists, and in certain of these embodiments administration of the nitrogen scavenging drug produces a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject. In certain embodiments wherein a determination is made to administer an increased dosage of nitrogen scavenging drug

and wherein the nitrogen scavenging drug is a PAA prodrug, the methods include an additional step of measuring urinary PAGN excretion and determining an effective dosage of the PAA prodrug based on a mean conversion of PAA prodrug to urinary PAGN of 60-75%.

[0011] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods for determining whether to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug to a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder by measuring a fasting blood ammonia level and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to the ULN for blood ammonia, where a fasting blood ammonia level that is greater than half the ULN for blood ammonia indicates that the nitrogen scavenging drug needs to be administered. In certain embodiments, the nitrogen retention disorder is a UCD or HE. In certain embodiments, the nitrogen scavenging drug is HPN-100, PBA, NaPBA, sodium benzoate, or any combination thereof (i.e., any combination of two or more of HPN-100, PBA, NaPBA). In certain embodiments, the ULN is around 35 µmol/L or 59 µg/mL. In certain embodiments, the methods include an additional step of administering a nitrogen scavenging drug if the need exists, and in certain of these embodiments administration of the nitrogen scavenging drug produces a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject. In certain embodiments wherein a determination is made to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug and wherein the nitrogen scavenging drug is a PAA prodrug, the methods further include a step of determining an effective initial dosage of the PAA prodrug by determining a target urinary PAGN output based on a target nitrogen output and calculating an effective initial dosage that results in the target urinary PAGN output based on a mean conversion of PAA prodrug to urinary PAGN of 60-75%. In certain embodiments, the methods include a step of administering the calculated effective initial dosage.

[0012] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods for treating a nitrogen retention disorder in a subject who has previously been administered a nitrogen scavenging drug by measuring a fasting blood ammonia level, comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to the ULN for blood ammonia, and administering an increased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug if the fasting ammonia level is greater than half the ULN for blood ammonia. In certain embodiments, administration of an increased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug produces a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject. In certain embodiments, the nitrogen retention disorder is a UCD or HE. In certain embodiments, the nitrogen scavenging drug is HPN-100, PBA, NaPBA, sodium benzoate, or any combination thereof (i.e., any combination of two or more of HPN-100, PBA, NaPBA). In certain embodiments, the ULN is around 35

μmol/L or 59 μg/mL. In certain embodiments wherein the nitrogen scavenging drug is a PAA prodrug, the methods include an additional step of measuring urinary PAGN excretion and determining an effective dosage of the PAA prodrug based on a mean conversion of PAA prodrug to urinary PAGN of 60-75%. In certain embodiments, the methods include a step of administering the calculated effective dosage.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

[0013] Figure 1: The urea cycle and how certain nitrogen-scavenging drugs may assist in elimination of excessive ammonia.

[0014] Figure 2: Relationship between fasting ammonia and average ammonia UCD patients.

[0015] Figure 3: Venous blood ammonia values over 24 hours in (A) adult and (B) pediatric UCD patients.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0016] The following description of the invention is merely intended to illustrate various embodiments of the invention. As such, the specific modifications discussed are not to be construed as limitations on the scope of the invention. It will be apparent to one skilled in the art that various equivalents, changes, and modifications may be made without departing from the scope of the invention, and it is understood that such equivalent embodiments are to be included herein.

[0017] In subjects with a nitrogen retention disorder, the desired effect of treatment with a nitrogen scavenging drug is control of blood ammonia level. Control of blood ammonia level generally refers to ammonia values within the normal range and avoidance of hyperammonemic crises, which are often defined in the art as transient ammonia values exceeding 100 μmol/L or 178 μg/mL accompanied by clinical signs and symptoms of hyperammonemia. Dosing of nitrogen scavenging drugs is usually based upon clinical assessment and measurement of ammonia. However, assessment of treatment effect and interpretation of ammonia levels is confounded by the fact that individual ammonia values vary several-fold over the course of a day and are impacted by timing of the blood draw in relation to the last meal and dose of drug (see, e.g., Lee 2010; Lichter-Konecki 2011; Diaz 2011).

[0018] A random ammonia value obtained during an outpatient visit may fail to provide a reliable measure of a subject's status and the drug effect. For example, basing treatment on a blood sample taken after eating a meal might overestimate average daily ammonia level and

result in overtreatment. Conversely, basing treatment on a blood sample taken after drug administration might underestimate average daily ammonia level and result in undertreatment. A fasting ammonia level at or near the ULN might be taken as an indication of satisfactory control without appreciating the fact that the ammonia burden during the day (average and/or highest possible value) might be significantly higher. Thus, a fasting level at or near the ULN may actually reflect undertreatment in a subject already a receiving nitrogen scavenging drug or the need for treatment in a subject not currently prescribed a nitrogen scavenging drug. A more accurate view of daily ammonia level could be obtained by multiple blood draws in a controlled setting over an extended period of time. Although this is currently done in clinical trials, it is clinically impractical.

[0019] As set forth below, the relationship between fasting ammonia levels and daily ammonia exposure was evaluated in subjects with nitrogen retention disorders. It was found that fasting ammonia correlates strongly with daily ammonia exposure, assessed as a 24 hour area under the curve for ammonia, daily average, or maximal daily concentration, and that a target fasting value which does not exceed half of the ULN is a clinically useful and practical predictor of ammonia values over 24 hours. As such, provided herein are clinically practical methods of evaluating ammonia exposure in subjects with nitrogen retention disorders based on fasting ammonia levels, as well as methods of using the resultant information to adjust the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug, determine whether to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug, treat a nitrogen retention disorder, and predict daily ammonia burden. The use of fasting ammonia levels to predict ammonia exposure provides a significant advantage over previously developed methods by reducing the number of required blood draws and eliminating the confusion associated with conflicting ammonia levels over the course of the day.

[0020] As further disclosed herein, the relationship between ammonia control and neurocognitive outcome was evaluated in UCD patients. Previous research has demonstrated that UCD patients often exhibit lower IQ overall and deficient executive function manifested by difficulty in goal setting, planning, monitoring progress and purposeful problem solving. As set forth herein, it was found that ammonia control with GPB resulted in a significant improvement in executive functions in pediatric patients. Based on these results, methods are provided herein for improving executive function in a pediatric subject with a UCD by administering one or more nitrogen scavenging drugs.

[0021] As further disclosed herein, the relationship between elevated PAA levels and neurological adverse events (AEs) was analyzed. Many of the over 30 reports of administration of NaPBA and/or sodium PAA to humans describe AEs, particularly when administered intravenously. IV administration of PAA to cancer patients was shown previously to result in AEs that included fatigue, dizziness, dysgeusia, headache, somnolence, lightheadedness, pedal edema, nausea, vomiting, and rash (Thibault 1994; Thibault 1995). These AEs correlated with PAA levels from 499 to 1285 μg/mL. Although NaPBA has been used in UCD treatment for over two decades and AEs reportedly associated with PAA are similar to those associated with hyperammonemia, little was known previously about the relationship between PAA levels and neurological AEs in UCD patients. As shown herein, increased PAA levels did not correlate with increased neurological AEs in subjects with UCD. However, PAA levels were associated with an increase in neurological AEs in healthy subjects. Based on these results, methods are provided herein for predicting or diagnosing AEs in a subject by measuring PAA levels. Further provided herein are methods of treating and/or preventing AEs in a subject with elevated PAA levels by administering one or more nitrogen scavenging drugs.

[0022] Provided herein are specific target values for blood ammonia upon which an effective dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug can be based. In certain embodiments, an effective dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug may be an initial dosage, subsequent/maintenance dosage, improved dosage, or a dosage determined in combination with other factors. In certain embodiments, the effective dosage may be the same as or different than the initial dosage. In other embodiments, the effective dosage may be higher or lower than the initial dosage. In certain embodiments, methods are provided for adjusting the dose or regimen of a nitrogen scavenging drug to achieve a target ammonia level that is predictive of the average daily ammonia level and/or the highest ammonia value that the subject is likely to experience during the day.

[0023] Using the methods herein, a subject's fasting blood ammonia level may be used as a predictor of daily ammonia burden, average daily ammonia level, and/or highest daily ammonia value. Whether a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder is receiving an optimum dosage of nitrogen scavenging drug may be determined based on predicted daily ammonia exposure. By optimizing the therapeutic efficacy of a nitrogen scavenging drug, the therapeutic dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is adjusted so that the subject experiences the desired nitrogen

scavenging effect. In particular, the dose is adjusted so that the subject may experience a normal average daily ammonia level. In certain embodiments, the effective dosage of nitrogen scavenging drug is determined by adjusting (e.g., increasing) a dosage to achieve a fasting blood ammonia level for a subject that is less than or equal to half the ULN for blood ammonia.

[0024] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of determining whether the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug needs to be increased in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising comparing a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that greater than half the ULN, the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug needs to be increased. In certain embodiments, the methods further comprise increasing the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug if the need exists, and in certain of these embodiments the methods further comprise administering the increased dosage. In certain of these embodiments, administration of the increased dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0025] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of determining whether the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug needs to be increased in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug needs to be increased. In certain embodiments, the methods further comprise increasing the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug if the need exists, and in certain of these embodiments the methods further comprise administering the increased dosage. In certain of these embodiments, administration of the increased dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0026] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of adjusting the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising comparing a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is increased, and if the dosage is less than or equal to half the ULN the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is not increased. In certain embodiments, the methods further comprise administering the increased dosage. In certain of these embodiments, administration of the increased dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0027] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of adjusting the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is increased, and if the dosage is less than or equal to half the ULN the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is not increased. In certain embodiments, the methods further comprise administering the increased dosage. In certain of these embodiments, administration of the increased dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0028] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of adjusting the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is increased, and if the dosage is significantly less than half the ULN, the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug may be decreased. In certain embodiments, the methods further comprise administering the adjusted dosage. In certain of these embodiments, administration of the adjusted dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0029] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of adjusting the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising administering an initial dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug, measuring fasting blood ammonia level, and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, subsequent maintenance dosages of the nitrogen scavenging drug are adjusted to be greater than the initial dosage. In certain embodiments, the methods further comprise administering the increased maintenance dosage, and in certain of these embodiments, administration of the increased maintenance dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0030] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of adjusting the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder to achieve a fasting blood ammonia level that is less than or equal to half the ULN for blood ammonia comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood

ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the subject is administered an increased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug. After a time period sufficient for the drug to reach steady state (e.g., 48 hours, 48 to 72 hours, 72 hours to 1 week, 1 week to 2 weeks, greater than 2 weeks), fasting blood ammonia level is measured again and compared to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is increased. This process is repeated until a fasting blood ammonia level of less than or equal to half the ULN is obtained.

[0031] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods for assessing whether a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder is more or less likely to need a dosage adjustment of a nitrogen scavenging drug comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia, wherein a fasting blood ammonia level that is greater than half the value of ULN indicates that the subject is more likely to need a dosage adjustment and a fasting blood ammonia level less than or equal to half the value of ULN indicates that the subject is less likely to need a dosage adjustment.

[0032] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of determining whether to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug to a subject with nitrogen retention disorder comprising comparing a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, a nitrogen scavenging drug needs to be administered to the subject. In certain embodiments, these methods further comprise administering the nitrogen scavenging drug. In certain embodiments, the subject may not have been administered any nitrogen scavenging drugs prior to the determination. In other embodiments, the subject may have previously been administered a nitrogen scavenging drug other than the one being evaluated. In these embodiments, the methods provided herein can be used to determine whether to administer a new nitrogen scavenging drug to a subject.

[0033] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of determining whether to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug to a subject with nitrogen retention disorder comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, a nitrogen scavenging drug needs to be administered to the subject. In certain embodiments, these methods further comprise administering the nitrogen scavenging

drug. In certain embodiments, the subject may not have been administered any nitrogen scavenging drugs prior to the determination. In other embodiments, the subject may have previously been administered a nitrogen scavenging drug other than the one being evaluated. In these embodiments, the methods provided herein can be used to determine whether to administer a new nitrogen scavenging drug to a subject.

[0034] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods for selecting a dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug for treating a nitrogen retention disorder in a subject based on blood ammonia levels comprising selecting a dosage that results in a fasting blood ammonia level that is less than or equal to half the ULN for blood ammonia. In certain embodiments, selecting the effective dosage is further based on diet, endogenous waste nitrogen excretion capacity, or any combination thereof. In certain embodiments, the methods further comprise administering the selected dosage.

[0035] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of treating a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder who has previously been administered a nitrogen scavenging drug comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the subject is administered an increased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is less than or equal to half the ULN, the subject is administered the same dosage or a decreased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug. In certain embodiments, administration of an increased dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0036] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of treating a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the subject is administered a maintenance dosage that is greater than the initial dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is less than or equal to half the ULN, the subject is administered the initial dosage or a lower dosage. In certain embodiments, administration of an increased maintenance dosage results in a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.

[0037] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of treating a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising administering a nitrogen scavenging drug, then measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject at some point after drug administration and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the subject is administered an increased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is less than or equal to half the ULN, the subject is administered the original or a lower dosage of the drug.

[0038] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of treating a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder comprising administering a first dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug, measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject, and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, a second dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug that is greater than the first dosage is administered to the subject. A fasting ammonia blood level is measured again in the subject and compared to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, a third dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug that is greater than the second dosage is administered to the subject. This process is repeated until the subject exhibits a fasting blood ammonia level with a value less than or equal to half the ULN. [0039] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods of monitoring the efficacy of nitrogen scavenging drug administration in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder who has previously been administered a nitrogen scavenging drug comprising measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is greater than half the ULN, the previously administered dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug is considered inadequate to treat the nitrogen retention disorder. If the fasting blood ammonia level has a value that is less than or equal to half the ULN, the previously administered dosage is considered adequate to treat the nitrogen retention disorder. In certain embodiments where the previously administered dosage is considered inadequate to treat the nitrogen retention disorder, the methods provided herein further comprise administering an increased dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug. [0040] Provided herein in certain embodiments are methods for monitoring therapy with a nitrogen scavenging drug in a subject having a nitrogen retention disorder comprising measuring

a fasting blood ammonia level from the subject and comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to a ULN for blood ammonia, wherein a fasting blood ammonia level that is greater than half the ULN indicates that the subject is more likely to need a dosage adjustment of the nitrogen scavenging drug, and wherein a fasting blood ammonia level less than or equal to half the ULN indicates that the subject is less likely to need a dosage adjustment.

[0041] A nitrogen retention disorder as used herein refers to any condition associated with elevated blood nitrogen/ammonia levels. In certain embodiments, a nitrogen retention disorder may be a UCD. In other embodiments, a nitrogen retention disorder may be HE.

[0042] A nitrogen scavenging drug as used herein refers to any drug that decreases blood nitrogen and/or ammonia levels. In certain embodiments, a nitrogen scavenging drug may remove nitrogen in the form of PAGN, and in certain of these embodiments the nitrogen scavenging drug may be an orally administrable drug that contains or is metabolized to PAA. For example, a nitrogen scavenging drug may be a PAA prodrug such as PBA or HPN-100, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of PBA such as NaPBA, or a pharmaceutically acceptable ester, acid, or derivative of a PAA prodrug. In other embodiments, a nitrogen scavenging drug may remove nitrogen via hippuric acid. In certain of these embodiments, a nitrogen scavenging drug may be benzoic acid, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of benzoic acid such as sodium benzoate, or a pharmaceutically acceptable ester, acid, or derivative of benzoic acid.

[0043] Increasing the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug may refer to increasing the amount of drug per administration (e.g., an increase from a 3 mL dosage to a 6 mL dosage), increasing the number of administrations of the drug (e.g., an increase from once-a-day dosing to twice- or three-times-a-day), or any combination thereof.

[0044] A subject that has previously been administered a nitrogen scavenging drug may have been administered the drug for any duration of time sufficient to reach steady state. For example, the subject may have been administered the drug over a period of 2 to 7 days, 1 week to 2 weeks, 2 weeks to 4 weeks, 4 weeks to 8 weeks, 8 weeks to 16 weeks, or longer than 16 weeks.

[0045] In certain embodiments of the methods disclosed herein, the fasting period for obtaining a fasting blood ammonia level is overnight. In certain embodiments, the fasting period is 4 hours or more, 5 hours or more, 6 hours or more, 7 hours or more, 8 hours or more, 9 hours or more, 10 hours or more, 11 hours or more, or 12 hours or more, and in certain embodiments the fasting

period is 4-8 hours, 6-8 hours, or 8-12 hours. During the fasting period, the subject preferably does not ingest any food. In certain embodiments, the subject may also refrain from ingesting certain non-food substances during the fasting period. For example, in certain embodiments the subject does not ingest any supplements and/or nitrogen scavenging drugs during the fasting period. In certain of these embodiments, the subject may nonetheless ingest one or more drugs other than nitrogen scavenging drugs during the fasting period. In certain embodiments, the subject does not ingest any high calorie liquids during the fasting period. In certain of these embodiments, the subject does not ingest any liquids other than water during the fasting period. In other embodiments, the subject may ingest small amounts of low calorie beverages, such as tea, coffee, or diluted juices.

[0046] In certain embodiments of the methods disclosed herein, blood samples used for measuring fasting blood ammonia levels and/or ULN blood ammonias are venous blood samples. In certain embodiments, a blood sample is a plasma blood sample. Any methods known in the art may be used to obtain a plasma blood sample. For example, blood from a subject may be drawn into a tube containing heparin or ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA). In certain embodiments, the sample can be placed on ice and centrifuged to obtain plasma within 15 minutes of collection, stored at 2-8°C (36-46°F) and analyzed within 3 hours of collection. In other embodiments, the blood plasma sample is snap frozen, stored at ≤-18°C (≤0°F) and analyzed at a later time. For example, the sample may be analyzed at 0-12 hours, 12-24 hours, 24-48, 48-96 hours after freezing, or within any other timeframe over which the sample has demonstrated stability. In certain embodiments, blood samples are taken in a laboratory or hospital setting. In certain embodiments, a single fasting blood sample is used to measure fasting blood ammonia level. However, in other embodiments, multiple fasting blood samples may be obtained. In certain embodiments, a subject's blood ammonia level may be monitored throughout the day. Further, in certain embodiments, the methods disclosed herein comprise an additional step of obtaining one or more blood samples from a subject prior to or after measuring fasting blood ammonia level.

[0047] In certain embodiments, a blood sample is analyzed immediately after collection. In other embodiments, the blood sample is stored for some period between collection and analysis. In these embodiments, the sample may be stored for less than 1 hour, 1 hour to 6 hours, 1 hour to 12 hours, 1 hour to 24 hours, or 1 hour to 48 hours. In certain of these embodiments, the blood

sample is stored at a temperature between 0-15°C, such as 2-8°C. In other embodiments, the blood sample is stored below 0°C or below -18°C.

[0048] Measurement of ammonia levels in a fasting blood sample is carried out using techniques known in the art. For example, ammonia levels may be measured using a colorimetric reaction or an enzymatic reaction. In certain embodiments, a colorimetric reaction may involve the use of bromophenol blue as an ammonia indicator. In these embodiments, ammonia may react with bromophenol blue to yield a blue dye. In certain embodiments, an enzymatic reaction may involve glutamate dehydrogenase catalyzing the reductive amination of 2-oxoglutarate with NH⁴⁺ and NADPH to form glutamate and NADP⁺. The formation of NADP⁺ formed is directly proportional to the amount of ammonia present in the blood sample. Therefore, the concentration of ammonia is measured based on a decrease in absorbance.

[0049] In certain embodiments of the methods disclosed herein, a subject exhibiting a fasting blood ammonia level less than or equal to half the ULN for blood ammonia has an average likelihood within a confidence interval that their average daily ammonia level will remain within a normal average daily ammonia level. In certain embodiments, the average likelihood of having a normal daily ammonia value is 80% to 90%. In certain embodiments, one may predict with 95% confidence that a blood ammonia level will fall within a certain range. In certain embodiments, one can predict with 95% confidence that a true probability of predicting normal values based on fasting blood ammonia is between 65% and 93%. In other embodiments, one can predict with 80% confidence that a true probability of predicting normal values based on fasting blood ammonia is at least 70%. In certain embodiments, the average likelihood of predicting normal ammonia value based on fasting blood ammonia is about 84% with 95% confidence that the true probability is between 65% and 93%.

[0050] In certain embodiments of the methods disclosed herein, a subject exhibiting a fasting blood ammonia level less than or equal to half the ULN for blood ammonia has an average likelihood within a confidence interval that their maximum daily blood ammonia level will not exceed 1.5 times the ULN for blood ammonia. In certain of these embodiments, the average likelihood is about 70% to 80%. In certain embodiments, the confidence interval is a 95% confidence interval. In certain embodiments, the average likelihood is about 75% with 95% confidence that the true probability is between 58% and 86%.

[0051] In certain embodiments of the methods disclosed herein, a subject exhibiting a fasting blood ammonia level less than or equal to half the ULN for blood ammonia has an average likelihood within a confidence interval that their maximum daily blood ammonia level will be less than $100 \mu mol/L$. In certain of these embodiments, the average likelihood is 90% to 98%. In certain embodiments, the confidence interval is 95%. In certain embodiments, the average likelihood is about 93% with 95% confidence that the true probability is between 77% and 100%.

[0052] The maximal ammonia value refers to the maximum amount of ammonia that may be detected in a subject following consumption of meals, if repeated measurement of blood ammonia can be instituted to detect such maximum value over an extended period of time. Based on well-controlled clinical trials with repeated blood sampling over 24 hours, the maximum blood ammonia has been observed to occur following the third major meal of the day in the early to mid evening hours (4-8PM, assuming that breakfast is approximately 8AM; see, e.g., Lee 2010; Lichter-Konecki 2011).

[0053] The ULN for blood ammonia typically represents the highest level in the range of normal values, which may be influenced by a variety of factors such as the assay method, types of regents, standard reference samples used, and specifications and calibration of equipment used to perform the measurement. In certain embodiments of the methods disclosed herein, the ULN for blood ammonia is determined for a subject individually. In other embodiments, the ULN for blood ammonia may be based on measurements obtained across a range of subjects (i.e., subjects with UCD or with a particular subtype of UCD, subjects with HE, healthy subjects, etc.). In certain embodiments, the ULN for blood ammonia may represent a standard reference value disclosed in the art, such as a mean ULN developed across a particular subset of subjects. In other embodiments, the ULN for blood ammonia may represent a standard measurement that has been developed by a particular entity that performs blood draws and/or blood evaluations, such as a particular clinical laboratory. In certain embodiments, the ULN is a standard reference value utilized by the same entity that measures the fasting blood ammonia level. In these embodiments, one skilled in the art will appreciate that interpretation of average daily ammonia in subject with a nitrogen retention disorder must be made relative to the reference range of normal values at the laboratory in which the ammonia was measured. Furthermore, the units of ammonia measurement may also vary from lab to lab (e.g., µg/mL or µmoI/L), emphasizing the

importance of interpreting the subject's ammonia levels relative to the ULN at the laboratory in which the measurement was performed. In certain embodiments, the ULN for blood ammonia may be in the range of 26-64 µmol/L. In certain of these embodiments, the ULN for blood ammonia may be in the range of 32-38 µmol/L or 34-36 µmol/L, and in certain of these embodiments the ULN for blood ammonia is 35 µmol/L. In certain embodiments, the ULN for blood ammonia may be in the range of 50-65 µg/mL. In certain of these embodiments, the ULN for blood ammonia may be in the range of 55-63 µg/mL or 57-61 µg/mL, and in certain of these embodiments the ULN for blood ammonia is 59 µg/mL.

[0054] In certain embodiments, the average daily ammonia is the average amount of ammonia an individual may experience during the day, if serial blood sampling were performed for ammonia measurements. In well-controlled clinical studies, it has been established that ammonia fluctuates several fold during the day, depending on the timing of blood draw relative to food and drug intake. Due to these fluctuations, the timing of individual or serial blood sampling should be controlled relative to the timing of food and drug intake. Even serial sampling may not be enough to capture the peaks and troughs of the fluctuating ammonia values, unless samples are taken frequently enough. Therefore, obtaining a simple average of several measurements may provide inadequate or misleading information regarding the total ammonia burden a subject may experience during the day.

[0055] Provided herein are methods to better estimate a subject's average daily ammonia assessed as the area under the curve for 24-hr ammonia (ammonia $AUC_{0\cdot24hr}$) obtained from adequate and well-spaced samples over 24 hours. This ammonia $AUC_{0\cdot24hr}$ can be further normalized for the entire actual period of sampling, i.e., ammonia $AUC_{0\cdot24hr}$ is divided by the sampling period (e.g., 24 hours). For example, if an AUC of 1440 μ mol*hr/L is calculated using the trapezoidal rule based on 8-11 ammonia values obtained over 24 hours, then the average daily ammonia value or time-normalized $AUC_{0\cdot24hr}$ would be equal to 1440 μ mol*hr/ml divided by the sampling time of 24 hr, or 60 μ mol/L. If the normal reference range at the laboratory which performed the ammonia analysis was 10-35 μ mol/L, then the average daily ammonia value for this subject would be approximately 1.71 times the ULN of 35 μ mol/L. Similarly, if the ammonia $AUC_{0\cdot24hr}$ was determined to be equal to 840 μ mol*hr/L based on multiple, well-spaced samples over 24 hours and analyzed at the same laboratory, and the sampling period was 24 hours, then the time-normalized $AUC_{0\cdot24hr}$ would be 35 μ mol/L. This corresponds to an

average ammonia or daily ammonia burden within the ULN. Finally, subjects with nitrogen retention disorders such as UCDs may experience a hyperammonemic crisis, which is often defined clinically as a blood level exceeding 100 µmol/L and clinical manifestations of hyperammonemia, which may require intervention to prevent irreversible hard and enable recovery.

[0056] Provided herein are methods of adjusting nitrogen scavenging drug dosage by measuring fasting blood ammonia to minimize the likelihood a subject may experience an ammonia value (Cmax) over 24 hours that exceeds 100 µmol/L. It has been found that 100 µmol/L corresponds to approximately 2-3 times the ULN in most laboratories. Previously, if a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder such as UCD had a blood ammonia level within or slightly above the normal reference range for the laboratory which performed the analysis, the subject was considered to be in good clinical control regardless of the timing of the blood draw in relation to meals and last administration of drug dose. However, it has been shown that a subject with a UCD who has a fasting blood ammonia level between the ULN and 1.5 times the ULN (e.g., 35 to 52 µmol/L) has an average likelihood of only 45% (with a 95% confidence interval of 21% to 70%) that his or her average daily ammonia is within the normal range; an average likelihood of only 35% (with a 95% confidence interval of 13% to 60%) that his or her maximal level of ammonia during the day is less than 1.5 times the ULN (e.g., 52 μmol/L); and an average likelihood of 25% that his or her maximal daily ammonia level exceeds 100 µmol/L during the day. Thus, after measuring a UCD subject's fasting blood ammonia, the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug may be progressively increased and/or his or her protein intake progressively decreased until the fasting ammonia value is less than or equal to half of the ULN for the local laboratory in which the ammonia analysis was performed.

[0057] In certain embodiments of the methods disclosed herein, one or more factors other than ammonia level may be taken into consideration when evaluating nitrogen scavenging drug dosage. For example, blood ammonia measurements may be combined with urinary PAGN measurements in determining whether to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug, adjusting the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug, or treating a nitrogen retention disorder. US Patent Publication No. 2010/0008859 discloses that urinary PAGN levels correlate more closely to PBA prodrug dosage than plasma PAA, PBA, or PAGN levels, and further discloses that PBA prodrugs are converted to urinary PAGN with a mean efficiency of 60-75%. Therefore, certain

embodiments of the methods disclosed herein comprise an additional step wherein urinary PAGN levels are measured. In certain of these embodiments, calculation of an effective dosage of nitrogen scavenging drug is based in part on a mean 60-75% conversion of PAA prodrug to urinary PAGN. For example, in certain embodiments the methods disclosed herein for determining whether to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug to a subject comprise an additional step of measuring urinary PAGN and calculating an effective initial dosage based on a mean conversion of PAA prodrug to urinary PAGN of 60-75%. Similarly, in certain embodiments the methods disclosed herein for adjusting the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug comprise an additional step of measuring urinary PAGN and calculating an effective dosage based on a mean conversion of PAA prodrug to urinary PAGN of 60-75%. In certain of these embodiments, the effective dosage is calculated based on a target nitrogen output. In certain embodiments, urinary PAGN may be determined as a ratio of the concentration of urinary PAGN to urinary creatinine. In certain embodiments, urinary PAGN is a factor that is taken into consideration when determining whether to administer or increase the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug, i.e., urinary PAGN is evaluated in combination with ammonia level to determine whether to administer or increase the dosage of the drug. In other embodiments, ammonia level alone is used to determine whether to administer or increase the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug, and urinary PAGN is simply used to calculate the initial or adjusted dosage.

[0058] One skilled in the art will recognize that a variety of other factors may be taken into consideration when determining the effective dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug. For example, factors such as diet (e.g., protein intake) and endogenous waste nitrogen capacity (e.g., urea synthesis capacity) may be considered.

[0059] Provided herein in certain embodiments are kits for carrying out the methods disclosed herein. In certain embodiments, kits are provided for determining whether to administer or adjust the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug for a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder. The kits disclosed herein may include one or more nitrogen scavenging drugs and/or one or more reagents (e.g., bromophenol blue) or enzymes (e.g., glutamate dehydrogenase) to measure blood ammonia levels in a sample. The kit may additionally include other pigments, binders, surfactants, buffers, stabilizers, and/or chemicals necessary to obtain a blood sample and to

measure the ammonia level in the sample. In certain embodiments, the kits provided herein comprise instructions in a tangible medium.

[0060] One of ordinary skill in the art will recognize that the various embodiments described herein can be combined.

[0061] The following examples are provided to better illustrate the claimed invention and are not to be interpreted as limiting the scope of the invention. To the extent that specific materials are mentioned, it is merely for purposes of illustration and is not intended to limit the invention. One skilled in the art may develop equivalent means or reactants without the exercise of inventive capacity and without departing from the scope of the invention. It will be understood that many variations can be made in the procedures herein described while still remaining within the bounds of the present invention. It is the intention of the inventors that such variations are included within the scope of the invention.

Examples

Example 1: Analysis of predictability of pharmacodynamic ammonia values from fasting ammonia in UCD patients:

[0062] This example demonstrates the relationship between fasting ammonia and the pharmacodynamic (PD) profile of daily ammonia in patients receiving PAA prodrugs for UCDs. Ammonia values vary many-fold over the course of 24 hours in UCD patients. As depicted in Figures 3a and 3b, venous ammonia was measured for 24 hours following one week of dosing with either NaPBA or glycerol phenylbutyrate (GPB). The graphs display ammonia values as mean ±SD over 24 hours, where time zero corresponds to just prior to dosing and breakfast (i.e., fasting state). In view of this variability in daily ammonia levels, a single measurement may not be very informative in determining whether a UCD patient is optimally dosed. The ability to predict the highest potential ammonia a UCD patient may experience during the day and the average 24-hour ammonia from a single measurement such as fasting levels has important practical implications for nitrogen scavenging drug dosing guidelines and patient management. [0063] Data from two Phase 2 studies and one Phase 3 study comparing ammonia control assessed by 24-hour sampling during steady state treatment with HPN-100 versus NaPBA in 65 UCD patients were used for the analysis. The two Phase 2 studies include protocols UP 1204-003 and HPN-100-005 (Lee 2010; Lichter-Konecki 2011). The Phase 3 study includes protocols from HPN-100-006 (Diaz 2011).

[0064] Ammonia values obtained from different hospital laboratories with different normal ranges were normalized to a standard laboratory range of 9-35 µmol/L. The patient population included a broad range of ages, UCD subtypes, and doses of drug, and is summarized in Table 1 below.

Table 1: UCD demographics in studies UP 1204-003, HPN-100-005, and HPN-100-006:

Gender	Male	18 (27.7)
n (%)	Female	47 (72.3)
Age at screening	N	65
(years)	Mean (SD)	29.46 (15.764)
	Median	24.00
	Range	6.0-75.0
UCD diagnosis	OTC deficiency	57 (87.7)
n (%)	CPS1 deficiency	1 (1.5)
	ASS deficiency	5 (7.7)
	ASL deficiency	1 (1.5)
	Missing	1 (1.5)
Duration of NaPBA	N	63
treatment	Mean (SD)	114.14 (90.147)
(months)	Median	101.00
	Range	0.2-300.0
Daily dose NaPBA	N	64
	Mean (SD)	14.10 (6.255)
	Median	13.50
	Range	1.5-36.0

[0065] Exploratory analysis:

[0066] Several PD parameters for steady-state ammonia were explored: AUC_{0-24hr}, time-normalized AUC, log AUC, maximal ammonia value over 24 hours (Cmax), and average ammonia. Data from 65 subjects from all three studies with steady-state ammonia and fasting ammonia were used. Missing data were imputed per procedures specified in the protocol and statistical analysis plan, except that no imputations were made for subjects who had no PK sampling conducted while on a given study drug.

[0067] Sample collection times of 0-hr (before first daily dose) and 24-hours post-dose (before first daily dose of the following day) were both evaluated as representative of fasting ammonia. No noticeable difference in the shape or quality of the relationship due to the choice of time point was observed.

[0068] The relationship between fasting ammonia and pharmacokinetic profile was evaluated separately for HPN-100 and NaPBA, with no apparent difference in the strength or magnitude of

the relationship. Therefore, all data from both HPN-100 and NaPBA treatments were used and conclusions regarding fasting ammonia pertain to both HPN-100 and NaPBA.

[0069] The relationships between (1) fasting ammonia and AUC_{0-24hr} and (2) fasting ammonia and maximum observed ammonia (Cmax) were visually explored for the whole population. The effects of the following covariates were also observed: age, weight, gender, and dietary protein intake. A positive and strong relationship was observed between fasting ammonia and AUC_{0-24hr}, with increasing fasting ammonia being associated with higher AUC_{0-24hr} and maximum observed ammonia (Figure 2).

[0070] Prediction of AUC_{0-24hr} through GEE Modeling:

[0071] The aim of this modeling was to predict average daily or highest achieved ammonia based on the subject's fasting ammonia. In order to take into account the differences in normal ranges at different laboratories, all ammonia values were normalized to a reference range of 9-35 µmol/L, and the predictions were referenced to the ULN rather than a fixed value.

[0072] Generalized Estimating Equations (GEE) were used to model the predictive ability of fasting ammonia against various ammonia PD properties. GEE methodology can be used to analyze repeated measures of categorical data, in which the repeated measures are assumed to be correlated (Liang 1986). The model allows for the specification of the assumed correlation structure without the knowledge of the magnitude of the correlation.

[0073] The 24-hour ammonia profile was divided into ordered categories using a variety of endpoints and cutpoints as follows:

- 1) AUC [0-1.0*ULN, >1.0*ULN];
- 2) AUC [0-1.5*ULN, >1.5*ULN];
- 3) Cmax [0-1.0*ULN, >1.0*ULN];
- 4) Cmax [0-1.5*ULN, >1.5*ULN]; and
- 5) Cmax [0-100] μmol/L.

[0074] Three levels of fasting ammonia were considered in separate models as input:

- 1) [0-0.5*ULN];
- 2) [>0.5*ULN-<1.0 ULN]; and
- 3) [>1.0*ULN-1.5*ULN].

[0075] Using Statistical Analysis Software (SAS) Proc Genmod, generalized linear models were fit with a logit link function. Pre-dose fasting ammonia was the only predictor variable in

the model. The repeated nature of the data (two study periods per subject) was modeled using GEE with exchangeable correlation matrix. ULN for fasting ammonia was set at 35 µmol/L. ULN for AUC over 24 hours was taken as 840 (35 µmol/L * 24 hours); i.e., the AUC which corresponds to an average daily ammonia less than or equal to 35 µmol/L, which was the normalized ULN among the participating study sites and is derived by dividing the 24-hour area under the curve by the sampling time of 24 hours. The GEE model was bootstrap-resampled 1,000 times according to the method outlined in Davison, A.C. & Hinkley, D.V., Bootstrap Methods and their Application, Cambridge University Press, London (1997), pp.358-362. The results of these models are shown in Table 2 below.

<u>Table 2</u>: Summary of results from GEE model to predict ability of fasting ammonia against various ammonia PD properties:

Model #	Fasting ammonia level	Ammonia PK outcome	Probability of outcome in category	Bootstrap 95% c.i.	Bootstrap 80% c.i.	Bootstrap pred. error rate* (%)
1	[0-0.5 ULN]	AUC in 24 hours [0-1.0 ULN]	0.84	0.67, 0.93	0.71, 0.89	11.5
2		AUC in 24 hours [0-1.5 ULN]		Did not co	onverge	
3		Cmax observed [0- 1.0 ULN]	0.53	0.38, 0.65	0.42, 0.61	45.8
4		Cmax observed [0- 1.5 ULN]	0.76	0.61, 0.86	0.66, 0.82	23.3
5		Cmax observed [0- 100]	0.93	0.78, 1.00	0.85, 0.97	5.7
6	[0-<1.0 ULN]	AUC in 24 hours [0-1.0 ULN]	0.58	0.42, 0.73	0.48, 0.68	42.8
7		AUC in 24 hours [0-1.5 ULN]	0.88	0.78, 0.97	0.82, 0.94	11.1
8		AUC in 24 hours [0-2 ULN]	0.97	0.90, 1.00	0.93, 1.00	2.2
9		Cmax observed [0-	0.21	0.11, 0.38	0.14, 0.33	20.0

		1.0 ULN]					
10		Cmax	0.52	0.35, 0.66	0.42, 0.61	46.0	
		observed [0-					
		1.5 ULN]					
11		Cmax	0.74	0.62, 0.85	0.91, 1.00	27.2	
		observed [0-					
		2.0 ULN]					
12		Cmax	0.95	0.88, 1.00	0.66, 0.81	4.3	
		observed [0-					
		100]					
13	[>1.0-1.5	AUC in 24	0.45	0.24, 0.71	0.30, 0.63	43	
	ULN]	hours [0-1.0					
		ULN]					
14		AUC in 24	Did not converge				
		hours [0-1.5					
		ULN]		T			
15		AUC in 24	0.80	0.49, 0.99	0.63, 0.92	27	
		hours [0-2					
1.0		ULN]					
16		Cmax		Did not co	onverge		
		observed [0-					
1.7		1.0 ULN]	0.25	0.16.0.70	0.00 0.51	22	
17		Cmax	0.35	0.16, 0.58	0.23, 0.51	33	
		observed [0-					
10		1.5 ULN] Cmax		Did not o			
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[0076] From Table 2 above, we can conclude that in the population of UCD patients described in Table 1, we can be 95% confident that, given a fasting ammonia less than or equal to half the ULN, the true probability of having an AUC in the range [0-840] is on average 84%, at least 67%, and as high as 93%.

[0077] Row 1 of Table 2 above suggests that a UCD patient with a fasting ammonia of 17 μ mol/L as determined by a laboratory with a normal reference range of 9-35 μ mol/L (i.e., a fasting ammonia in the range [0-0.5 ULN]) has an 84% chance (with a 95% confidence interval of 67% to 93%) of having a time normalized AUC_{0-24hr} in the normal range [AUC_{0-24hr} of 0-840 or an average daily ammonia of 35 μ mol/L], a 76% chance (with a 95% confidence interval of 61% to 86%) of having a Cmax of less than 1.5 ULN, and a 93% chance (with a 95% confidence

interval of 78% to 100%) of never having an ammonia of more than 100 μ mol/L. Therefore, this patient would be optimally controlled and unlikely to suffer from high ammonia during the day. **[0078]** This Example shows that fasting ammonia correlates strongly with daily ammonia exposure, assessed as a daily average or as maximal daily concentration, and that a target fasting value which does not exceed half of the upper level of normal for the local lab appears to be a clinically useful as well as practical predictor of ammonia values over 24 hours as well. Furthermore, this Example shows that a subject with a fasting ammonia in the range 0-0.5 ULN has an 84% chance of having an AUC_{0-24hr} in the normal range (0-840 or an average daily ammonia of 35 μ mol/L).

Example 2: Selecting and adjusting HPN-100 dosage based on fasting blood ammonia levels in a patient with UCD:

[0079] Patient A is an adult with UCD being managed with amino acid supplements and dietary protein restriction only. Patient A consumes neither his supplements nor food for approximately 8 hours prior to a fasting morning blood draw. A venous blood draw is performed, and fasting blood ammonia level is determined to be 52 μmol/L. This fasting blood ammonia level is compared to the ULN for blood ammonia in the laboratory performing the blood draw, which is 35 μmol/L. Based on the correlation of fasting ammonia level to average ammonia level, it is determined that Patient A's fasting blood ammonia level of approximately 1.5 times the ULN represents only a 45% chance on average of having an average ammonia during the day within the normal range. Thus, the ratio of fasting blood ammonia level to ULN for blood ammonia indicates that Patient A will benefit from treatment with a nitrogen scavenging drug.

[0080] The physician elects to treat Patient A with HPN-100. Initial dosage is determined based on body surface area or as otherwise instructed according to HPN-100 drug labeling. Patient A's body surface area is 1.4 m², and therefore the initial dosage is determined to be 9 mL per day or 3 mL TID, which is approximately 60% of the maximum allowed dosage per HPN-100 label. Patient A is treated with 9mL/day of HPN-100 for at least 7 days, and returns for an additional blood draw. The fasting blood ammonia level at this time is 33 μmol/L, which is slightly below the ULN and falls into the range of 0.5 to 1.0 times normal. Patient A's blood ammonia level is monitored throughout the day after administration of a 3 mL dose of HPN-100 with each meal. It is observed that Patient A's maximum ammonia reaches 95 μmol/L after

dinner with an average daily ammonia of $66 \mu mol/L$, which is almost two times the upper normal range. Therefore, Patient A's dosage of HPN-100 is increased by approximately one-third to 12 mL total or 4 mL TID. Patient A returns after at least 7 days of treatment with HPN-100. Patient A's fasting ammonia level is 15 $\mu mol/L$, which is less than half of the ULN range. It is determined that Patient A has reached satisfactory ammonia control.

[0081] It is expected that if Patient A adheres to his prescribed diet, his maximal daily ammonia is not expected to exceed approximately 52 µmol/L, i.e., approximately 1.5 times the ULN, with an average likelihood of 75% with 95% confidence. The average ammonia level during the day is expected to remain within normal range with greater than 84% likelihood and 95% confidence. Moreover, Patient A's maximal daily ammonia is highly unlikely to reach 100 µmol/L during the day.

Example 3: Adjusting HPN-100 dosage based on fasting blood ammonia levels in a patient with UCD:

[0082] Patient B is an 11-year UCD patient receiving 24 pills of BUPHENYL® per day, amino acid supplements, and restricted dietary protein intake. Patient B does not consume BUPHENYL®, supplements, or food for approximately 6 hours prior to a fasting morning blood draw. A venous blood draw is performed, and fasting blood ammonia level is determined to be 40 μ mol/L. This fasting blood ammonia level is compared to the ULN for blood ammonia for the laboratory performing the blood draw, which is 35 μ mol/L. Based on the correlation of fasting ammonia level to average ammonia level, it is determined that Patient B's fasting blood ammonia level falling between 1 and 1.5 times the ULN represents a 55% chance of having an average ammonia during the day that is greater than the normal range, and as high as a 65% chance that her ammonia will go above 52 μ mol/L or 1.5 times ULN during the day.

[0083] Based on discussion with the patient and her mother, the physician suspects that Patient B is noncompliant with her medication, and decides to change her to HPN-100. The initial dosage is determined based on the amount of BUPHENYL® Patient B was receiving, and it is determined that Patient B needs to take 10.5 mL of HPN-100 per day. Patient B is treated with 3.5mL of HPN-100 3 times a day for at least 7 days, and returns for additional blood draws. Her fasting blood ammonia level at this time is 17 μmol/L, which is below the ULN and falls into the range of 0 to 0.5 times normal. It is determined that Patient B has reached satisfactory ammonia control.

[0084] It is expected that if Patient B adheres to her prescribed diet, her maximal daily ammonia will not go above approximately 50 µmol/L, which is less than 1.5 times the ULN. Her average ammonia level during the day is expected with greater than 84% average likelihood to remain within normal range. Moreover, there is only a small chance (7%) that Patient B's maximal daily ammonia will exceed 100 µmol/L during the day.

Example 4: Selecting and adjusting sodium benzoate dosage based on fasting blood ammonia levels in a patient with UCD:

[0085] Patient C is an adult UCD patient who is allergic to PBA and is therefore being managed with amino acid supplements and dietary protein restriction only. Patient C complains of chronic headache and frequent nausea. Patient C consumes neither his supplements nor food for approximately 8 hours prior to a fasting morning blood draw. A venous blood draw is performed, and fasting blood ammonia level is determined to be 77 µmol/L. This fasting blood ammonia level is compared to the ULN for blood ammonia for the laboratory performing the blood draw, which is 35 µmol/L. Based on the correlation of fasting ammonia level to average ammonia level, it is determined that Patient C's fasting blood ammonia level of approximately 2 times the ULN represents a high likelihood of ammonia levels going over 100 µmol/L during the day. Thus, the ratio of fasting blood ammonia level to ULN for blood ammonia indicates that Patient C will benefit from treatment with a nitrogen scavenging drug.

[0086] The physician decides to treat Patient C with 15 g of sodium benzoate per day since the patient is allergic to PBA. Patient C is treated with 15 g/day of sodium benzoate for at least 7 days, and returns for additional blood draws. Fasting blood ammonia level at this time is 35 µmol/L, which is equal to the ULN. Patient C's dosage of sodium benzoate is increased by approximately 30% to 18 grams per day. After at least 7 days of treatment, Patient C's fasting ammonia level is 15 µmol/L, which is less than half of the ULN. It is determined that Patient C has reached satisfactory ammonia control.

[0087] It is expected that if Patient C adheres to his prescribed diet and medication, his maximal daily ammonia will not exceed approximately $52 \mu mol/L$, which is approximately $1.5 \mu mol/L$. His average ammonia level during the day is expected with greater than 80% likelihood to remain within normal range. Moreover, Patient C's maximal daily ammonia is highly unlikely to reach $100 \mu mol/L$ during the day.

Example 5: Evaluation of the effect of ammonia control on neurocognitive outcome:

[0088] It has been shown that UCD patients are likely to suffer from diminished intelligence and impaired neurocognitive functions (Kirvitsky 2009). These neuropsychological impairments have been attributed to repeated episodes of acute hyperammonemia interspersed on chronically elevated ammonia. Abnormalities in neuropsychological function and/or brain imaging have been detected even in UCD patients with mild disorders who exhibit normal IQ and/or appear clinical normal (Gropman 2008a; Gropman 2008b). Therefore, it was hypothesized that maintaining average daily ammonia within normal limits and thereby reducing the long term ammonia burden could result in improved cognition.

[0089] The relationship between reducing ammonia burden by maintaining fasting ammonia at or close to half ULN and neuropsychological outcomes in pediatric UCD patients was explored in clinical trials. Eleven pediatric patients ages 6-17 were enrolled in short term switch over comparison of NaPBA and HPN-100 in controlling ammonia. These patients underwent 24-hr serial sample collection in a confined setting where the last sample at 24 hr was considered fasting and under supervision of the study personnel. At the end of treatment with HPN-100 the average fasting ammonia at 24-hr time point was 15.5 μmol/L or less than half ULN, indicating good clinical control. These 11 patients along with another 15 pediatric patients were enrolled in two long term studies and received HPN-100 for 12 months, during which monthly fasting ammonia were collected. At the time of enrollment and at the end of the study, all patients underwent assessment for neuropsychological outcomes including the following: BRIEF (Behavior Rating Inventory of Executive Function) to assess day-to-day executive functioning, CBCL (Child Behavior Checklist) to evaluate internalizing (e.g., mood/anxiety) and externalizing behaviors, and WASI (Wechsler Abbreviated Scale of Intelligence) to estimate of intellectual ability.

[0090] During the 12 month treatment with HPN-100, pediatric UCD patients experienced fewer episodes of acute hyperammonemia than in the 12 months preceding enrollment (5 episodes during the study versus 9 before enrollment), with peak ammonia dropping from a mean of 233 µmol/L before enrollment to 166 µmol/L during the study. Fasting ammonia remained controlled and monthly averages were at or close to half ULN, ranging from 17 to 22 µmol/L. Although patients had been instructed to remain fasting before monthly study visits, some ammonia samples were taken in a non-fasted state, resulting in average monthly ammonia of slightly above half ULN.

[0091] In pediatric patients, WASI and CBCL scores were stable in comparison to baseline. The majority of the BRIEF subscales at baseline were at or close to 65, consistent with borderline and/or clinically significant dysfunction. Among 22 pediatric subjects who completed the neuropsychological testing at 12 months, all BRIEF domains were improved (lower T scores) with means (SD) at end of study compared to baseline for Behavioral Regulation Index 53.7 (9.79) vs. 60.4 (14.03) (p<0.05); Metacognition Index 57.5 (9.84) vs. 67.5 (13.72) (p<0.001), and Global Executive Scale 56.5 (9.71) vs. 66.2 (14.02) (p<0.001).

[0092] The significant improvement in executive functions in this group of pediatric UCD patients indicates the importance of long term ammonia control and achieving target levels of fasting ammonia.

Example 6: Correlation of elevated PAA levels to neurological AEs in UCD and healthy subjects:

[0093] Elevated plasma levels of PAA may cause symptoms that mimic those associated with hyperammonemia, including headache, nausea, somnolence, etc. Since such symptoms are common and nonspecific, an ammonia level below half the upper limit of normal in a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder who exhibits such symptoms and is receiving a PAA prodrug would prompt a physician to check plasma PAA levels.

[0094] The relationship between elevated PAA levels and neurological AEs was evaluated in three populations: (1) 130 healthy adults dosed with 4 to 12 mL TID of GPB in a thorough QTc study, (2) 54 adult and 11 pediatric UCD patients (ages 6-17) enrolled in one of 3 protocols involving short term (2-4 week) switchover comparisons of NaPBA vs. GPB, and (3) 77 patients enrolled in two nearly identical 12-month GPB treatment protocols. In populations 1 and 2, maximal PAA (i.e., Cmax) levels were analyzed in relation to neurological AEs as defined by MEDDRA using an Exact non-parametric Mann-Whitney test and Generalized Estimating Equations (GEE) with a logit link function and effects for dose and PAA level. The relationship between PAA levels and the occurrence of the AEs reported by Thiebault was also explored in population 3.

[0095] No statistically significant relationship was observed between neurological AEs and PAA levels for either GPB or NaPBA. The odds ratio of a neurological AE occurring for each $20 \mu g/mL$ increase in PAA levels for the two drugs combined was 0.95, very close to 1. Thus, among UCD patients dosed with HPN-100 or NaPBA over the ranges used in these studies,

increasing levels of PAA (ranging up to 244 μ g/mL) were not associated with an increase in neurological AEs. Similarly, in population 3, PAA levels did not increase over time and exhibited no apparent relationship to neurological AEs, which also did not increase in frequency over time. The pediatric patient with the highest PAA level (410 μ g/mL) did not report neurological AEs close to the timing of the blood draw.

[0096] Unlike UCD subjects, healthy adult volunteers who reported a nervous system AE had statistically significantly higher PAA C_{max} levels than those who did not. While this analysis in healthy adults is compromised by the fact that PAA levels were not always available at the time of occurrence of the AEs, as well as by the small sample size in the higher dose groups, the odds ratio of 1.75 (p=0.006) suggests that increasing levels of PAA are associated with increased probability of experiencing a nervous system AE among healthy adults. AEs reported by healthy adults generally began within 36 hours of dosing and, among those adults who remained on study, most resolved with continued dosing.

[0097] A significant relationship between PAA levels and occurrence of neurological AEs, which generally resolved with continued dosing, was detected in healthy volunteers. Unlike in healthy adults, PAA C_{max} did not correlate with nervous system AEs in UCD patients over a similar range of doses and PAA levels. These findings may reflect metabolic differences among the populations (e.g., UCD patients exhibit high glutamine levels compared with healthy humans) and/or metabolic adaptation with continued dosing.

[0098] Population PK model building was performed on 65 UCD patients who participated in the short-term switchover Hyperion studies using NONMEM (version 7.2) based on 2981 ([PBA], [PAA], [PAGN], and urine PAGN [UPAGN])) data points from 53 adult and 11 pediatric UCD patients (ages 6-17) who participated in 3 switchover studies of NaPBA and GPB. The median GPB dose, expressed as grams of PBA per m2, was 8.85 and 7.01 for pediatric and adult subjects, respectively. Diagnostic plots and statistical comparisons were used to select among candidate models, and covariates were assessed by graphical analyses and covariate modeling. Using the final popPK model and parameter estimates, Monte Carlo simulations were performed in ~1000 virtual patients for a range of NaPBA and GPB doses to predict systemic metabolite exposure and UPAGN output.

[0099] The final model that best fit the data was characterized by (a) partial conversion of PBA to PAGN prior to reaching the systemic circulation, (b) saturable conversion of PAA to PAGN

(Km ~161ug/ml), and (c) ~60% slower PBA absorption when delivered as GPB vs. NaPBA. Body surface area (BSA) was a significant covariate such that metabolite clearance was proportionally related to BSA. Fractional presystemic metabolism of PBA was higher for adults than for pediatric patients receiving GPB (43% vs. 14%), whereas the reverse was true for NaPBA (23% vs. 43%). Predicted median PAA exposure based on simulated GPB dosing at the PBA equivalent of 13g/m2 of NaPBA was ~13%-22% lower in adults than NaPBA (Cmax = 82 vs. 106 μg/mL; AUC₀₋₂₄ = 649 vs. 829 μg.h/m) and ~13% higher in pediatric subjects ages 6-17 than NaPBA (Cmax = 154 vs. 138 μg/mL; AUC₀₋₂₄ = 1286 vs. 1154 μg.h/ml); predicted upper 95th percentile PAA exposure was below 500 μg/mL and 25%-40% lower for adult subjects on GPB versus NaPBA and similar for pediatric subjects. Simulated dosing at the PBA equivalent of ~5g/m² of NaPBA yielded similar and less variable PAA exposure for both drugs and for pediatric and adult patients. Recovery of PBA as UPAGN was very similar whether delivered orally as GPB or NaPBA.

[00100] These findings based on PopPK modeling and dosing simulations suggest that while most patients treated with PAA prodrugs including NaPBA or HPN-100 will have PAA levels below those reportedly associated with toxicity and while no relationship between PAA levels and neurological AEs was found on a population basis, individual patients exhibiting symptoms such as headache or nausea might be suffering from either hyperammonemia or high PAA levels and that a fasting ammonia level equal to or below half the upper limit of normal would prompt the physician to check plasma PAA levels.

[00101] As stated above, the foregoing is merely intended to illustrate various embodiments of the present invention. The specific modifications discussed above are not to be construed as limitations on the scope of the invention. It will be apparent to one skilled in the art that various equivalents, changes, and modifications may be made without departing from the scope of the invention, and it is understood that such equivalent embodiments are to be included herein. All references cited herein are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

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What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for adjusting the dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] in a subject being treated for a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate], the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate], wherein the adjusted dosage is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 2. A method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate], the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 3. A method of administering glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] to a subject having a urea cycle disorder, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a first fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
- (b) comparing the first fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] to the subject if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 4. The method of claim 1 or 2, wherein administering the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] produces a normal average daily ammonia level in the subject.
- 5. The method of claim 1 or 2, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.

- 6. The method of claim 3, further comprising:
- (d) measuring a second fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
- (e) comparing the second fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (f) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the second fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 7. The method of any of claims 1-3, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is $35 \mu mol/L$.
- 8. The method of any of claims 1-3, wherein the upper limit of normal is specific to the laboratory in which the fasting plasma ammonia level is measured.
- 9. The method of any of claims 1-3, further comprising the step of determining an upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level for the subject prior to step (b).
 - 10. The method of claim 1 or 2, wherein the adjusted dosage is calculated by:
 - (i) measuring urinary phenylacetyl glutamine (PAGN) output; and
- (ii) calculating an effective adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] based on the urinary PAGN output, wherein the effective adjusted dosage is calculated based on a mean conversion of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] to urinary PAGN of 60 to 75%.
 - 11. The method of claim 3, wherein the initial dosage is calculated by:
 - (i) determining a target urinary phenylacetyl glutamine (PAGN) output; and
- (ii) calculating an effective initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] based on a mean conversion of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] to urinary PAGN of 60 to 75%.

ABSTRACT

The present disclosure provides methods for evaluating daily ammonia exposure based on a single fasting ammonia blood level measurement, as well as methods that utilize this technique to adjust the dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug, determine whether to administer a nitrogen scavenging drug, and treat nitrogen retention disorders.

Figure 1

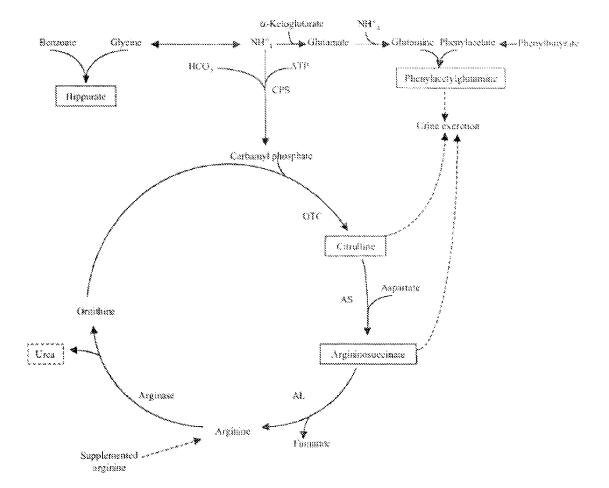


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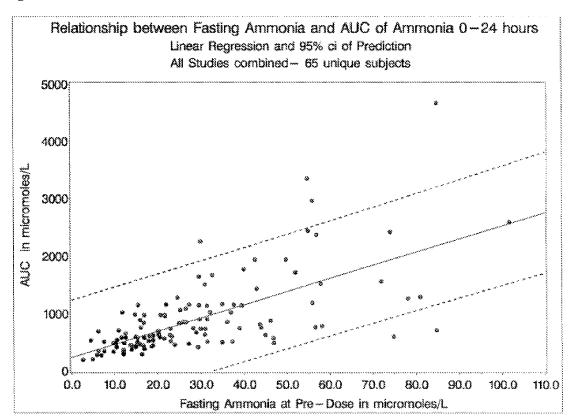
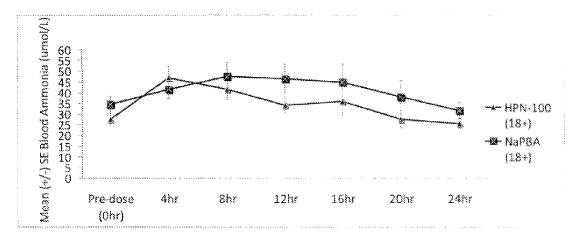
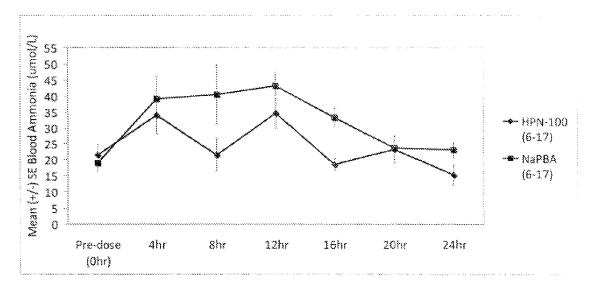


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Amendments to the Claims are reflected on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments follow the Amendments to the Claims.

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-21. (Cancelled)

- 22. (New) A method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level,

wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 26-64 μ mol/L.

- 23. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 32-38 μ mol/L.
- 24. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 34-36 μ mol/L.

- 25. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 55-63 μ g/mL.
- 26. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 57- 61 μ g/mL.
- 27. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is $59 \,\mu\text{g/mL}$.
- 28. (New) The method of claim 22, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 29. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 30. (New) A method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level,

wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 50-65 μ g/L.

- 31. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 55-63 μ g/mL.
- 32. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 57-61 μ g/mL.
- 33. (New) The method of claim 32, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is $59 \,\mu\text{g/mL}$.
- 34. (New) The method of claim 30, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 35. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 36. (New) A method of treating a pediatric subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the pediatric subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.

- 37. (New) The method of claim 36, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the pediatric subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 38. (New) The method of claim 36, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 39. (New) A method of treating an adult subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the adult subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 40. (New) The method of claim 39, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the adult subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 41. (New) The method of claim 39, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application. Claims 12-21 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 22-41 have been added. No new matter has been introduced by those amendments.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone or email, if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

DETAILED ACTION

Claims 22-41 are pending and are under consideration in the instant office action.

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The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 12/03/2015 complies with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97, 1.98 and MPEP § 609. Accordingly, it has been placed in the application file and the information therein has been considered as to the merits. See attached copy of the PTO-1449.

Priority

This application is a continuation of application 14/816,674 dated 08/03/2015 (granted as patent 9,254,278) which is a continuation of application 13/775,000 dated 02/22/2013 (granted as patent 9,095,559) which is a continuation of application 13/147,317 dated 03/19/2012 (granted as a patent number 8,404,215) which claims priority under 35 U.S.C 119 (e) from provisional application serial No. 61/564668 filed 11/29/2011 and provisional application no 61/542100 filed on 09/30/2011.

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Claims 22-41 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory double patenting over claims 2, 4 and 7-10 of U.S. Patent 9, 254,278 ('278), claims 3-6 of U.S. Patent No 8,404,215 ('215) and claims1-15 of U.S. Patent No 9,095,559 ('559) claims since the claims, if allowed, would improperly extend the "right to exclude" already granted in the patents.

An obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but an examined application claim not is patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985).

The subject matter claimed in the instant application is fully disclosed in the patent and is covered by the patent since the patent and the application are claiming common subject matter.

Instant independent claims 22 and 30 are drawn towards a method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level

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less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:

(a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject; (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 26-64 pmol/L or in the range of 50-65 pg/L,

Instant independent claims 36 and 39 are drawn to a method of treating a pediatric subject or an adult subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising: (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the pediatric subject; (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level.

Claim 2 of '278 states as follows:

A method of treating a subject with a smarrycle disorder who has personally from administered an initial disage of physicist to [4-phosphorycore], the method comprising:

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⁽b) contraining the facing plasma ammonia level to the apper limit of mousel for plasma ammonia level; and

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. The other limitations instantly claimed are recited in the claims of parent patent '278. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other. The instant claims are rendered prima facia obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to utilize the specific agent instantly claimed which is taught in in the methods of claim 2 of '278 where in an urea cycle disorder. It is also noted that the steps in following the instant method is the same as that claimed in '278.

Claim 3 of '215 states as follows

- 3. A method of treating a subject with a nitrogen retention disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of a nitrogen scavenging drug comprising:
 - a) measuring a fasting blood ammonia level for the subject;
 - b) comparing the fasting blood ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for blood ammonia level; and
- c) administering an adjusted dosage of the nitrogen scavenging drug that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting blood ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for blood ammonia level.

Dependent claims recite the nitrogen retention disorder to be urea cycle disorder ('215 claims 4) and the nitrogen scavenging drug to be glyceryl tri-(4-phenylbutyrate) (reference claim 6) which is instantly claimed. The other limitations instantly claimed in are recited in the claims of parent patent '215. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other. The instant claims are rendered prima facia obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to utilize the specific agent instantly claimed in the methods of claim 1 and 3 of '215 where in the nitrogen retention disorder is an urea cycle disorder. It is also noted that the steps in following the instant method is the same as that claimed in '215.

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Claims 1-3 of '559 recites as follows:

) What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for adjusting the desage of glyceryl tri-{4-phenylbutyrate} in a subject being treated for a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial desage of glyceryl tri-{4-phenylbutyrate} and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
 - (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
 - (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4phenylbutyrate], wherein the adjusted dosage is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 2. A method of treating a subject with a ures cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subieer:
 - (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
 - (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-{4pheny/butyrate} that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- A method of administering glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] to a subject having a urea cycle disorder, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a first fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
 - (b) comparing the first fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
 - (c) administering an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phe-nylbutyrate] to the subject if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level and less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.

'559 recites a method for treating urea cycle in a subject by administering glyceryl-tri-(4-phenylbutyrate). The other limitations instantly claimed are recited in the claims of parent patent '559. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other. The instant claims are rendered prima facia obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art as they are both drawn to the same

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as that claimed in '559.

subject matter. It is also noted that the steps in following the instant method is the same

Claim 22-41 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1-12 of U.S. Patent No. 8,642,012 (co-pending '012)

An obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but an examined application claim not is patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985).

Instant claims 22-41 recite as stated above

Claims 1of '012 recite as follows:

1. A method of treating a patient having a tires cycle disorder comprising (a) determining a target urinary phenylacetyl ghitamine (PAGN) output (b) calculating an effective initial dosage of a phenylacetic acid (PAA) prodrug selected from giyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] (HPN-100) and phenylbutyric acid (PBA) or a pharmaceutically acceptable self of PBA, wherein the effective dosage of PAA prodrug is calculated based on a mesa conversion of PAA prodrug to urinary PAGN of about 60%; and (c) administering the effective initial dosage of PAA prodrug to the patient.

'012 recite a method for treating urea cycle in a subject by administering glyceryl-tri-(4-phenylbutyrate). The other limitations instantly are recited in the claims of parent patent '012. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably

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distinct from each other. The instant claims are rendered prima facia obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art as they are both drawn to the same subject matter. It is also noted that the steps in following the instant method is the same as that claimed in '012.

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Conclusion

Claims 22-41 are rejected. No claims are allowed

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SAVITHA RAO whose telephone number is (571)270-5315. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 7 am to 4 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Melanie McCormick can be reached at 571-272-8037. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2010:708850 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 154:477123

TITLE: Phase 2 comparison of a novel ammonia scavenging

agent with sodium phenylbutyrate in patients with urea cycle disorders: Safety, pharmacokinetics and ammonia control Lee, Brendan; Rhead, William; Diaz, George A.; AUTHOR(S): Scharschmidt, Bruce F.; Mian, Asad; Shchelochkov, Oleg; Marier, J. F.; Beliveau, Martin; Mauney, Joseph; Dickinson, Klara; Martinez, Antonia; Gargosky, Sharron; Mokhtarani, Masoud; Berry, Susan A. CORPORATE SOURCE: Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX, R814, USA SOURCE: Molecular Genetics and Metabolism (2010), 100(3), 221-228 CODEN: MGMEFF; ISSN: 1096-7192 PUBLISHER: Elsevier B.V. DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English Glycerol phenylbutyrate (glyceryl tri (4-phenylbutyrate)) (GPB) is being studied as an alternative to sodium phenylbutyrate (NaPBA) for the treatment of urea cycle disorders (UCDs). This phase 2 study explored the hypothesis that GPB offers similar safety and ammonia control as NaPBA, which is currently approved as adjunctive therapy in the chronic management of UCDs, and examined correlates of 24-h blood ammonia. An open-label, fixed sequence switch-over study was conducted in adult UCD patients taking maintenance NaPBA. Blood ammonia and blood and urine metabolites were compared after 7 days (steady state) of TID dosing on either drug, both dosed to deliver the same amount of phenylbutyric acid (PBA). Results: Ten subjects completed the study. Adverse events were comparable for the two drugs; 2 subjects experienced hyperammonemic events on NaPBA while none occurred on GPB. Ammonia values on GPB were .apprx.30% lower than on NaPBA (time-normalized AUC = 26.2 vs. 38.4 µmol/L; Cmax = 56.3 vs. 79.1 µmol/L; not statistically significant), and GPB achieved non-inferiority to NaPBA with respect to ammonia (time-normalized AUC) by post hoc anal. Systemic exposure (AUC0-24) to PBA on GPB was 27% lower than on NaPBA (540 vs. 739 μg h/mL), whereas exposure to phenylacetic acid (PAA) (575 vs. 596 μg h/mL) and phenylacetylglutamine (PAGN) (1098 vs. 1133 µg h/mL) were similar. Urinary PAGN excretion accounted for .apprx.54% of PBA administered for both NaPBA and GPB; other metabolites accounted for <1%. Intact GPB was generally undetectable in blood and urine. Blood ammonia correlated strongly and inversely with urinary PAGN (r = -0.82; p < 0.0001) but weakly or not at all with blood metabolite levels. Conclusions: Safety and ammonia control with GPB appear at least equal to NaPBA. Urinary PAGN, which is stoichiometrically related to nitrogen scavenging, may be a useful biomarker for both dose selection and adjustment for optimal control of venous ammonia. THERE ARE 8 CAPLUS RECORDS THAT CITE THIS RECORD OS.CITING REF COUNT: (8 CITINGS) THERE ARE 13 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS REFERENCE COUNT: 13 RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT => s PAA prodrug 10799 PAA 573 PAAS 11191 PAA (PAA OR PAAS) 17954 PRODRUG 20950 PRODRUGS 27897 PRODRUG (PRODRUG OR PRODRUGS)

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2011:1275522 CAPLUS ACCESSION NUMBER:

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 156:626560

TITLE: Macromolecular prodrugs based on synthetic

polyaminoacids: drug delivery and drug targeting in

antitumor therapy

AUTHOR(S): Cavallaro, Gennara; Pitarresi, Giovanna; Giammona,

Gaetano

CORPORATE SOURCE: Dipartimento di Chimica e Tecnologie Farmaceutiche,

Universita degli Studi di Palermo, Palermo, 90123,

SOURCE: Current Topics in Medicinal Chemistry (Sharjah, United

Arab Emirates) (2011), 11(18), 2382-2389 CODEN: CTMCCL; ISSN: 1568-0266

Bentham Science Publishers Ltd.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review

LANGUAGE: English

PUBLISHER:

A review. In the last twenty years a depth study on potential pharmaceutical applications of synthetic polymers at protein-like

structure as carrier for macromol. prodrug production has been performed in

academia and in industry. In particular

 α , β -poly (N-2-hydroxyethyl)-DL-aspartamide (PHEA),

 α , β -polyaspartylhydrazide (PAHy), poly(glutamic acid) (PGA),

poly(aspartic acid) (PAA) and polylysine (PLL) have been extensively studied in this field. In the present review, the use of PHEA, PAHy, PGA as starting materials to prepare macromol. prodrugs is reported and drug delivery and targeting aspects have been considered.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2011:122221 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 154:243916

TITLE: Reducible and degradable polymer prodrug and

preparation method thereof

INVENTOR(S): Huang, Jin; Yu, Jiahui; Fan, Honglei

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Wuhan University of Technology, Peop. Rep. China

SOURCE: Faming Zhuanli Shenging, 12pp.

CODEN: CNXXEV

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent LANGUAGE: Chinese

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PATENT INFORMATION:

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The title polymer prodrug has a chemical structural formula of MPEG-graft-SS-PAA-T, wherein MPEG is polyethylene glycol monomethyl ether with mol. weight of $475-5000\ \mathrm{Da}$, $\mathrm{SS-PAA}$ is disulfide bond-containing polycystamine, and T represents medicine mol., e.g. camptothecin. The title method comprises Michael addition reaction of diacryloyl cystamine to obtain disulfide bond-containing alkynyl polycystamine, linking alkynyl with azimino-containing medicine mol. via click reaction, reacting the alkynyl with azido-ended polyethyleneglycol monomethyl ether via click reaction. The method is highly effective, safe and simple.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2010:1063363 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 153:626843 TITLE: Nanomicelle with long-term circulation and enhanced

stability of camptothecin based on mPEGylated

 α, β -poly (L-aspartic acid)-camptothecin

conjugate

AUTHOR(S): Zhang, Weilu; Huang, Jin; Fan, Naiqian; Yu, Jiahui;

Liu, Yongbiao; Liu, Shiyuan; Wang, Daxin; Li, Yaping Institutes for Advanced Interdisciplinary Research,

East China Normal University, Shanghai, 200062, Peop.

Rep. China

SOURCE: Colloids and Surfaces, B: Biointerfaces (2010), 81(1),

297-303

CODEN: CSBBEQ; ISSN: 0927-7765

PUBLISHER: Elsevier B.V. DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

CORPORATE SOURCE:

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English OTHER SOURCE(S): CASREACT 153:626843

To enhance the stability and long-term circulation of camptothecin (CPT),

mPEGylated α , β -poly (L-aspartic acid)-CPT conjugates were

synthesized, and used to fabricate nanomicelle. Firstly, α, β -poly (L-aspartic acid) derivative (PAA-der) containing alkyne groups was synthesized via the ring-opening of PSI with propargyl amine. Then, azide-functionalized CPT derivs. (CPT-N3) and azide-terminated poly (ethylene glycol) Me ether (mPEG-N3) were conjugated with PAA-der by click cycloaddn. to give mPEG-graft-PAA-CPT conjugates. The formation of mPEG-graft-PAA-CPT nanomicelles was confirmed by fluorescence spectrophotoscopy and particle size measurements. It was found that all the nanomicelles showed spherical shapes with size about 178 nm. MPEG-graft-PAA-CPT nanomicelles showed good storage stability, even incubation at $37\,^{\circ}$ for 60 days, and improved the stability of CPT lactone form in aqueous media. A steady release rate of CPT was kept for 72 h, suggested the great potential of mPEG-graft-PAA-CPT nanomicelles as polymer prodrug of CPT.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:622439 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 143:278873

Mechanism of poly(acrylic acid) acceleration of TITLE:

antithrombin inhibition of thrombin: implications for

design of novel heparin mimics

Monien, Bernhard H.; Cheang, Kai I.; Desai, Umesh R. AUTHOR(S):

CORPORATE SOURCE: Departments of Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacy and

Institute for Structural Biology and Drug Discovery, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA, 23298,

USA

SOURCE: Journal of Medicinal Chemistry (2005), 48(16),

5360-5368

CODEN: JMCMAR; ISSN: 0022-2623

PUBLISHER: American Chemical Society

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

The bridging mechanism of antithrombin inhibition of thrombin is a dominant mechanism contributing a massive .apprx.2500-fold acceleration in the reaction rate and is also a key reason for the clin. usage of heparin. Our recent study of the antithrombin-activating properties of a carboxylic acid-based polymer, poly(acrylic acid) (PAA), demonstrated a surprisingly high acceleration in thrombin inhibition (Monien, B. H.; Desai, U. R. J. Med. Chemical 2005, 48, 1269). To better understand this interesting phenomenon, we have studied the mechanism of PAA-dependent

acceleration in antithrombin inhibition of thrombin. Competitive binding studies with low-affinity heparin and a heparin tetrasaccharide suggest that PAA binds antithrombin in both the pentasaccharide— and the extended heparin-binding sites, and these results are corroborated by mol. modeling. The salt-dependence of the KD of the PAA-antithrombin interaction shows the formation of five ionic interactions. In contrast, the contribution of nonionic forces is miniscule, resulting in an interaction that is significantly weaker than that observed for heparins. A bell-shaped profile of the observed rate constant for antithrombin inhibition of thrombin as a function of PAA concentration was observed, suggesting that inhibition proceeds through the "bridging" mechanism. The knowledge gained in this mechanistic study highlights important rules for the rational design of orally available heparin mimics.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:890604 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:242530

TITLE: Mucoadhesive drug carriers based on complexes of

poly(acrylic acid) and PEGylated drugs having

hydrolyzable PEG-anhydride-drug linkages

AUTHOR(S): Lele, B. S.; Hoffman, A. S.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Bioengineering Department, University of Washington,

Seattle, WA, 98195, USA

SOURCE: Journal of Controlled Release (2000), 69(2), 237-248

CODEN: JCREEC; ISSN: 0168-3659

PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science Ireland Ltd.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

We have designed a new mucoadhesive drug delivery formulation based on H-bonded complexes of poly(acrylic acid) (PAA) or poly(methacrylic acid) (PMAA) with the poly(ethylene glycol) (PEG), of a (PEG)-drug conjugate. The PEGylated prodrugs are synthesized with degradable PEG-anhydride-drug bonds for eventual delivery of free drug from the formulation. In this work we have used indomethacin as the model drug which is PEGylated via anhydride bonds to the PEG. The complexes are designed first to dissociate as the formulation swells in contact with mucosal surfaces at pH 7.4, releasing PEG-indomethacin, which then hydrolyzes to release free drug and free PEG. We found that as MW of PAA increases, the dissociation rate of the complex decreases, which results in decreased rate of release of the drug. On the other hand, the drug release from PEG-indomethacin alone and from solid mixture of PEG-indomethacin+PAA was much faster than that from the H-bonded complexes. Due to the differences in the thermal stability, PMAA complex exhibited slightly faster drug release than that of the PAA complex of comparable MW. These H-bonded complexes of degradable PEGylated drugs

with bioadhesive polymers should be useful for mucosal drug delivery.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:5450 CAPLUS

TITLE: Patent evaluation anti-infectives Phosphonic acid

prodrugs with improved antiviral activity

CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ. California, USA

SOURCE: Expert Opinion on Therapeutic Patents (1996), 6(12),

1331-1333

CODEN: EOTPEG; ISSN: 1354-3776

PUBLISHER: Ashley Publications

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

This patent discloses lipid derivs. as prodrugs for antiviral agents. It relates particularly to lipid prodrugs of phosphonic acids and their use in the treatment of viral infections. The invention claims a series of improved prodrugs of phosphonoformate (PFA), phosphonoacetate (PAA) and their analogs, with increased in vitro antiviral activity over the parent compds. against human cytomegalovirus (HCMV), herpes simplex virus (HSV) and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1994:631238 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 121:231238

ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 121:42186h, 42187a

Inhibition of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1 TITLE:

Replication by Phosphonoformate- and

Phosphonoacetate-2',3'-Dideoxy-3'-thiacytidine

Conjugates

Charvet, Anne-Sophie; Camplo, Michel; Faury, Philippe; AUTHOR(S):

Graciet, Jean-Christophe; Mourier, Nicolas; Chermann,

Jean-Claude; Kraus, Jean-Louis

CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de Chimie Biomoleculaire, Faculte des

Sciences de Luminy, Marseille, 13288, Fr.

SOURCE: Journal of Medicinal Chemistry (1994), 37(14), 2216-23

CODEN: JMCMAR; ISSN: 0022-2623

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

The synthesis of potential "combined prodrugs" where phosphonoformic acid (PFA) or phosphonoacetic acid (PAA) was attached to the 5'-O- or N4-position of 2',3'-dideoxy-3'-thiacytidine (BCH-189) is described. The anti-HIV-1 activity of 11 analogs I [R1 = Ac, COCH2P(O)(OEt)2, COCH2P(O)(OH)2, COP(O)(OMe)2, COP(O)(OH)2, (CH2)4O2CP(O)(OEt)2, H; R2 = COP(O)(OMe)2, COP(O)(OH)2, COP(O)(OEt)2, COCH2P(O)(OEt)2, COCH2P(O)(OH)2, P(0)(OH)CO2Et, P(0)(OH)CO2H] was determined in MT-4 cells. Of these compds., the IC50 of I [R1 = Ac, R2 = COCH2P(O)(OEt)2, COCH2P(O)(OH)2, COP(O)(OMe)2, COP(O)(OH)2; 1 = COCH2P(O)(OH)2, R2 = H; R1 = R2 = COCH2P(O)(OH)2COP(0)(OH)2] ranged from 0.2 to 100 $\mu M\text{,}$ while IC50 for BCH-189 in this system was 0.1 $\mu \dot{M}$. In vitro hydrolysis of the various esters or amides in human plasma indicated that these agents were relatively stable in the presence of plasma esterases with t1/2 values of up to 120 min. Moreover, lipophilicity of these compds. (partition coefficient) was determined in order

establish correlation between lipophilicity and diffusion of BCH-189 analogs into the cells. The active compds. may exert their effects by extracellular or intracellular hydrolysis to BCH-189, but intrinsic anti-HIV-1 activity of some adducts, themselves, may also be involved. OS.CITING REF COUNT: THERE ARE 34 CAPLUS RECORDS THAT CITE THIS 34

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1985:67342 CAPLUS

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ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 102:10499a,10502a

TITLE: Physicochemical and antitumor characteristics of some

polyamino acid prodrugs of mitomycin C

AUTHOR(S): Roos, C. F.; Matsumoto, Satoshi; Takakura, Yoshinobu;

Hashida, Mitsuru; Sezaki, Hitoshi Fac. Pharm. Sci., Kyoto Univ., Kyoto, 606, Japan CORPORATE SOURCE: International Journal of Pharmaceutics (1984), 22(1), SOURCE:

75-87

CODEN: IJPHDE; ISSN: 0378-5173

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

Mitomycin C (MMC) conjugates with the polyamino acids: poly-L-glutamicacid (PGA; mol. weight 11,000 and 60,000), poly-L-aspartic acid (PAA; mol. weight 14,000) and poly-L-lysine (PLY; mol. weight 13,000) were synthesized to obtain more information about the application of polyamino acids as high mol. weight carriers. Some physicochem. and antitumor characteristics of these conjugates were investigated. Gel filtration confirmed covalent binding and provided information about the mol. sizes. The release rates of MMC [50-07-7] from conjugates were determined in vitro. The PAA and PGA (mol. weight 11,000) conjugates acted as neg. charged mols. in their interaction with ion exchangers. The PLY conjugate showed a pos. charge and was able to bind to Ehrlich ascites carcinoma cells in vitro. The effects of 1 h exposure of mouse L1210 leukemia cells to the conjugates were evaluated using cell culture system. In this experiment, only the PLY conjugate showed better effects than MMC. Continuous exposure to the conjugates showed a similar effect to MMC. In vivo, less toxicity was found for the conjugates than for MMC. The PGA (mol. weight 11,000) and PLY conjugates showed slightly higher effects against P388 leukemia than MMC, while no toxic doses were reached.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2012:1307676 CAPLUS

TITLE: Urinary phenylacetylglutamine as dosing biomarker for

patients with urea cycle disorders

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We have analyzed pharmacokinetic data for glycerol phenylbutyrate (also GT4P or HPN-100) and sodium phenylbutyrate with respect to possible dosing biomarkers in patients with urea cycle disorders (UCD). These analyses are based on over 3000 urine and plasma data points from 54 adult and 11 pediatric UCD patients (ages 6-17) who participated in three clin. studies comparing ammonia control and pharmacokinetics during steady state treatment with glycerol phenylbutyrate or sodium phenylbutyrate. All patients received phenylbutyric acid equivalent doses of glycerol phenylbutyrate or sodium phenylbutyrate in a cross over fashion and underwent 24-h blood samples and urine sampling for phenylbutyric acid, phenylacetic acid and phenylacetylglutamine. Patients received phenylbutyric acid equivalent doses of glycerol phenylbutyrate ranging from 1.5 to 31.8 g/day and of sodium phenylbutyrate ranging from 1.3 to 31.7 q/day. Plasma metabolite levels varied widely, with average fluctuation indexes ranging from 1979% to 5690% for phenylbutyric acid, 843% to 3931% for phenylacetic acid, and 881% to 1434% for phenylacetylglutamine. Mean percent recovery of phenylbutyric acid as urinary phenylacetylglutamine was 66.4 and 69.0 for pediatric patients and 68.7 and 71.4 for adult patients on glycerol phenylbutyrate and sodium phenylbutyrate, resp. The correlation with dose was strongest for urinary phenylacetylglutamine excretion, either as morning spot urine (r = 0.730, p < 0.001) or as total 24-h excretion (r = 0.791 p < 0.001), followed by plasma phenylacetylglutamine AUC24-hour, plasma phenylacetic acid AUC24-hour and phenylbutyric acid AUC24-hour. Plasma phenylacetic acid levels in adult and pediatric patients did not show a consistent relationship with either urinary phenylacetylglutamine or ammonia control. The findings are collectively consistent with substantial yet variable pre-systemic (1st

pass) conversion of phenylbutyric acid to phenylacetic acid and/or phenylacetylglutamine. The variability of blood metabolite levels during the day, their weaker correlation with dose, the need for multiple blood samples to capture trough and peak, and the inconsistency between phenylacetic acid and urinary phenylacetylglutamine as a marker of waste nitrogen scavenging limit the utility of plasma levels for therapeutic monitoring. By contrast, 24-h urinary phenylacetylglutamine and morning spot urine phenylacetylglutamine correlate strongly with dose and appear to be clin. useful non-invasive biomarkers for compliance and therapeutic monitoring.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2012:1307575 CAPLUS

TITLE: Recurrent unexplained hyperammonemia in an adolescent

with arginase deficiency

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This report investigates the etiol. of recurrent episodic elevations in plasma ammonia in an adolescent male with arginase deficiency as there were concerns regarding pre-anal. and anal. perturbations of ammonia measurements. There were repeated discrepancies between the magnitude of his ammonia levels and the severity of his clin. signs of hyperammonemia. The patient is a fourteen-year-old arginase-deficient male diagnosed at three years of age. Since 2008 (when he reached 10 years of age), there appeared to be an increase in the frequency of hospitalizations with elevated ammonia. A typical emergency visit with initial ammonia of 105 μ mol/L (reference interval: 16-47 μ mol/L) is illustrated. Pre-anal. and anal. procedures for the patient's sample handling were retrospectively examd. His ammonia levels were compiled since diagnosis. The frequency of his initial or peak ammonia levels greater than two times (94 μ mol/L) or four times (188 μ mol/L) the upper limit of normal was computed. Student t-test was used to calculate the significance of the differences before 2008 and since 2008. One out of eleven and ten out of 19 hospitalizations had initial ammonia greater than two times normal before and after 2008, resp. Both the patient's overall ammonia and peak ammonia levels are significantly higher since 2008 (p value < 0.001 for both) than those before 2008. To our knowledge, few adolescent males with arginase deficiency experience recurrent episodes of hyperammonemia requiring i.v. nitrogen scavenging agents. We hope that this study provides new insights into the natural history of arginase deficiency and the management of such patients.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2012:661267 CAPLUS

TITLE: Argininosuccinate lyase deficiency

AUTHOR(S): Nagamani, Sandesh C. S.; Erez, Ayelet; Lee, Brendan CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular and Human Genetics, Baylor

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The urea cycle consists of six consecutive enzymic reactions that convert waste nitrogen into urea. Deficiencies of any of these enzymes of the cycle result in urea cycle disorders (UCDs), a group of inborn errors of hepatic metabolism that often result in life-threatening hyperammonemia. Argininosuccinate lyase (ASL) catalyzes the fourth reaction in this cycle, resulting in the breakdown of argininosuccinic acid to arginine and fumarate. ASL deficiency (ASLD) is the second most common UCD, with a prevalence of .apprx.1 $\bar{\text{in}}$ 70,000 live births. ASLD can manifest as either a severe neonatal-onset form with hyperammonemia within the first few days after birth or as a late-onset form with episodic hyperammonemia and/or long-term complications that include liver dysfunction, neurocognitive deficits, and hypertension. These long-term complications can occur in the absence of hyperammonemic episodes, implying that ASL has functions outside of its role in ureagenesis and the tissue-specific lack of ASL may be responsible for these manifestations. The biochem. diagnosis of ASLD is typically established with elevation of plasma citrulline together with elevated argininosuccinic acid in the plasma or urine. Mol. genetic testing of ASL and assay of ASL enzyme activity are helpful when the biochem. findings are equivocal. However, there is no correlation between the genotype or enzyme activity and clin. outcome. Treatment of acute metabolic decompensations with hyperammonemia involves discontinuing oral protein intake, supplementing oral intake with i.v. lipids and/or glucose, and use of i.v. arginine and nitrogen-scavenging therapy. Dietary restriction of protein and dietary supplementation with arginine are the mainstays in long-term management. Orthotopic liver transplantation (OLT) is best considered only in patients with recurrent hyperammonemia or metabolic decompensations resistant to conventional medical therapy. Genet Med 2012:14(5):501-507 Genetics in Medicine (2012); 14 5, 501-507. doi:10.1038/gim.2011.1.

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156:194959 DOCUMENT NUMBER:

TITLE: Dosing and monitoring patients on

nitrogen-scavenging drugs

INVENTOR(S): Scharschmidt, Bruce

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Ucyclyd Pharma, Inc, USA

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     The invention provides a method for determining a dose and dosing schedule, and
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     including ammonia accumulation disorders as well as chronic renal
     failure, by measuring urinary excretion of phenylacetylglutamine and/or
     total urinary nitrogen. The invention provides methods to select an
     appropriate dosage of a PBA prodrug based on the patient's dietary protein
     intake, or based on previous treatments administered to the patient. The
     methods are applicable to selecting or modifying a dosing regimen for a
     subject receiving an orally administered waste nitrogen scavenging
     drug, and to monitoring patients receiving such drugs.
     ANSWER 5 OF 11 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2012 ACS on STN
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                            Amino acid metabolism in patients with propionic
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     A review. Propionic acidemia (PA) is an inborn error of intermediary
     metabolism caused by deficiency of propionyl-CoA carboxylase. The metabolic
     block leads to a profound failure of central metabolic pathways, including
     the urea and the citric acid cycles. This review will focus on changes in
     amino acid metabolism in this inborn disorder of metabolism. The first noted
     disturbance of amino acid metabolism was hyperglycinemia, which is detectable
     in nearly all PA patients. Addnl., hyperlysinemia is a common
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observation. In contrast, concns. of branched chain amino acids, especially of isoleucine, are frequently reported as decreased. These non-proportional changes of branched-chain amino acids (BCAAs) compared with aromatic amino acids are also reflected by the Fischer's ratio (concentration ratio of BCAAs

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aromatic amino acids), which is decreased in PA patients. As restricted dietary intake of valine and isoleucine as precursors of propionyl-CoA is part of the standard treatment in PA, decreased plasma concns. of BCAAs may be a side effect of treatment. The concentration changes of the nitrogen scavenger glutamine have to be interpreted in the light of ammonia levels. In contrast to other hyperammonemic syndromes, in PA plasma glutamine concns. do not increase in hyperammonemia, whereas CSF glutamine concns. are elevated. Despite lactic acidemia in PA patients, hyperalaninemia is only rarely reported. The mechanisms underlying the observed changes in amino acid metabolism have not yet been elucidated, but

of the changes can be at least partly interpreted as consequence of disturbance of anaplerosis.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2011:397345 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 155:453598

TITLE: Lysinuric protein intolerance: reviewing concepts on a

multisystem disease

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A review. Lysinuric protein intolerance (LPI) is an inherited aminoaciduria caused by defective cationic amino acid transport at the basolateral membrane of epithelial cells in intestine and kidney. LPI is caused by mutations in the SLC7A7 gene, which encodes the y+LAT-1 protein, the catalytic light chain subunit of a complex belonging to the heterodimeric amino acid transporter family. LPI was initially described in Finland, but has worldwide distribution. Typically, symptoms begin after weaning with refusal of feeding, vomiting, and consequent failure to thrive. Hepatosplenomegaly, hematol. anomalies, neurol. involvement, including hyperammonemic coma are recurrent clin. features. Two major complications, pulmonary alveolar proteinosis and renal disease are increasingly observed in LPI patients. There is extreme variability in the clin. presentation even within individual families, frequently leading to misdiagnosis or delayed diagnosis. This condition is diagnosed by urine amino acids, showing markedly elevated excretion of lysine and other dibasic amino acids despite low plasma levels of lysine, ornithine, and arginine. The biochem. diagnosis can be uncertain, requiring confirmation by DNA testing. So far, approx. 50 different mutations have been identified in the SLC7A7 gene in a group of 142 patients from 110 independent families. No genotype-phenotype correlation could be established. Therapy requires a low protein diet, low-dose citrulline supplementation, nitrogen-scavenging compds. to prevent hyper-ammonemia, lysine, and carnitine supplements. Supportive therapy is available for most complications with bronchoalveolar lavage being necessary for alveolar proteinosis.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2010:708850 CAPLUS

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TITLE: Phase 2 comparison of a novel ammonia scavenging

agent with sodium phenylbutyrate in patients with urea

cycle disorders: Safety, pharmacokinetics and

ammonia control

AUTHOR(S):

Lee, Brendan; Rhead, William; Diaz, George A.; Scharschmidt, Bruce F.; Mian, Asad; Shchelochkov, Oleg; Marier, J. F.; Beliveau, Martin; Mauney, Joseph;

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Glycerol phenylbutyrate (glyceryl tri (4-phenylbutyrate)) (GPB) is being studied as an alternative to sodium phenylbutyrate (NaPBA) for the treatment of urea cycle disorders (UCDs). This phase 2 study explored the hypothesis that GPB offers similar safety and ammonia control as NaPBA, which is currently approved as adjunctive therapy in the chronic management of UCDs, and examined correlates of 24-h blood ammonia. Methods: An open-label, fixed sequence switch-over study was conducted in adult UCD patients taking maintenance NaPBA. Blood ammonia and blood and urine metabolites were compared after 7 days (steady state) of TID dosing on either drug, both dosed to deliver the same amount of phenylbutyric acid (PBA). Results: Ten subjects completed the study. Adverse events were comparable for the two drugs; 2 subjects experienced hyperammonemic events on NaPBA while none occurred on GPB. Ammonia values on GPB were .apprx.30% lower than on NaPBA (time-normalized AUC = $\frac{1}{2}$ 26.2 vs. 38.4 μ mol/L; Cmax = 56.3 vs. 79.1 μ mol/L; not statistically significant), and GPB achieved non-inferiority to NaPBA with respect to ammonia (time-normalized AUC) by post hoc anal. Systemic exposure (AUCO-24) to PBA on GPB was 27% lower than on NaPBA (540 vs. 739 μg h/mL), whereas exposure to phenylacetic acid (PAA) (575 vs. 596 μg h/mL) and phenylacetylglutamine (PAGN) (1098 vs. 1133 $\mu g h/mL$) were similar. Urinary PAGN excretion accounted for .apprx.54% of PBA administered for both NaPBA and GPB; other metabolites accounted for <1%. Intact GPB was generally undetectable in blood and urine. Blood ammonia correlated strongly and inversely with urinary PAGN (r = -0.82; p < 0.0001) but weakly or not at all with blood metabolite levels. Conclusions: Safety and ammonia control with GPB appear at least equal to NaPBA. Urinary PAGN, which is stoichiometrically related to nitrogen scavenging, may be a useful biomarker for both dose selection and adjustment for optimal control of venous ammonia.

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TITLE: Dosing and monitoring patients on

nitrogen-scavenging drugs

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AB The invention provides a method for determining a dose and dosing schedule, and making dose adjustments of patients taking phenylbutyric acid (PBA) prodrugs as nitrogen scavengers to treat nitrogen retention states, including ammonia accumulation disorders as well as chronic renal failure, by measuring urinary excretion of phenylacetylglutamine and/or total urinary nitrogen. The invention provides methods to select an appropriate dosage of a PBA prodrug based on the patient's dietary protein intake, or based on previous treatments administered to the patient. The

methods are applicable to selecting or modifying a dosing regimen for a subject receiving an orally administered waste nitrogen scavenging drug, and to monitoring patients receiving such drugs.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:106789 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 130:295089

TITLE: Blood levels of ammonia and nitrogen scavenging

amino acids in patients with inherited hyperammonemia

AUTHOR(S): Tuchman, Mendel; Yudkoff, Marc

CORPORATE SOURCE: Departments of Pediatrics and Laboratory Medicine and

Pathology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN,

55455, USA

SOURCE: Molecular Genetics and Metabolism (1999), 66(1), 10-15

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Plasma levels of glutamine (456 detns.), alanine (434 detns.), and asparagine (431 detns.) and corresponding ammonia levels (260 detns.) were retrospectively analyzed in 30 patients with hyperammonemia secondary to urea cycle disorders (including 3 patients with amino acid transport defects) and 5 patients with propionic acidemia (PA). All patients had elevated glutamine levels on one or more testing except for 2 patients with severe PA and 1 patient with a mild urea cycle disorder. All but 4 patients with urea cycle disorders showed a maximal glutamine level higher than 100 $\mu mol/dL\text{,}$ and 3 patients had a maximal glutamine level of higher than 200 µmol/dL. The only exceptions were 2 asymptomatic ornithine transcarbamylase (OTC)-deficient females, 1 male with mild OTC deficiency, and 1 patient with citrullinemia (CIT) whose plasma glutamine levels were never above 100 $\mu mol/L$. Patients with CIT and argininosuccinic aciduria (ASA) showed statistically significantly lower levels of glutamine than patients with other urea cycle disorders. However, the maximal glutamine level did not directly correlate with severity of the disorder and within disorders correlated inversely with severity of outcome. Patients with PA showed statistically significant lower glutamine, alanine, and asparagine levels than patients with urea cycle disorders and the severity of this disorder correlated inversely with plasma glutamine levels. Plasma ammonia levels showed a pos. correlation with glutamine in patients with carbamyl phosphate synthetase I and OTC deficiency and a neq. correlation in patients with PA. Although, most patients also showed elevated levels of alanine and asparagine, their levels generally did not show a good correlation with glutamine (R2 = 0.25 and 0.34, resp.). (c) 1999 Academic Press.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1991:477732 CAPLUS

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ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 115:13291a,13294a

TITLE: Scavenging ratios and deposition of sulfur, nitrogen

and chlorine species in eastern England

Harrison, Roy $\overline{\text{M.;}}$ Allen, Andrew G. AUTHOR(S):

CORPORATE SOURCE: Inst. Aerosol Sci., Univ. Essex, Colchester, CO4 3SQ,

SOURCE: Atmospheric Environment, Part A: General Topics

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal LANGUAGE: English

AB Measurements of wet-deposited NH4+, SO42-, NO3-, and Cl-, as well as airborne concns. of these species and gaseous HNO3, HCl, and NH3, were made at a site in eastern England. Scavenging ratios based solely upon aerosol-associated species and upon aerosol plus gaseous airborne species are presented and compared with literature values. It appears that HCl and HNO3 have only a rather minor influence upon wet deposition at this site. Gaseous NH3 influences ground-level air chemical appreciably, but scavenging ratios for NH4+ are low, even when based upon aerosol NH4+ concns. alone, presumably due to altitudinal gradients in this species. The problems inherent in interpretation of scavenging ratios are discussed. Deposition of nitrogen in various chemical forms is estimated from rainwater and air composition

If a transport-limited deposition velocity is assumed for ammonia gas, dry deposition of this species accounts for around 40% of total nitrogen deposition to the ground.

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ORIGINAL REFERENCE NO.: 110:8913a,8916a

TITLE: Occurrence of effective nitrogen-scavenging bacteria in the rhizosphere of kallar grass

AUTHOR(S): Hurek, T.; Reinhold, Barbara; Grimm, B.; Fendrik, I.;

Niemann, E. G.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Inst. Biophys., Univ. Hannover, Hannover, D-3000/21,

Fed. Rep. Ger.

SOURCE: Plant and Soil (1988), 110(2), 339-48

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AB Bacteria occurring in high nos. on the rhizoplane of kallar grass grown at a natural site in Pakistan were effective scavengers of traces of combined N from the atmospheric Bacteria grew under appropriate conditions in N-free semi-solid malate medium in the form of a typical subsurface pellicle which resulted in a significant N gain in the medium within 3-4 days of incubation; this could be also measured by 15N-dilution Bacteria grew and incorporated N under an atmospheric containing NH3 and N2O. A rapid and strong binding of strain W1 to roots of kallar grass grown in hydroponic culture was found by using a 32P-tracer technique. There was no evidence for diazotrophy because the bacteria failed to grow on N-free media when gases of high purity were used. No 15N2 was incorporated when bacteria were grown on 15N2, although a N gain was found, no acetylene reduction was observed.

and no homol. with DNA containing sequences of nifHDK structural genes for the nitrogenase components from Klebsiella pneumoniae were detected. Owing to close contact of these bacteria with roots of kallar grass, utilization of scavenged N by the plant may have to be taken into account.

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Glycerol phenylbutyrate (glyceryl tri (4-phenylbutyrate)) (GPB) is AB being studied as an alternative to sodium phenylbutyrate (NaPBA) for the treatment of urea cycle disorders (UCDs). This phase 2 study explored the hypothesis that GPB offers similar safety and ammonia control as NaPBA, which is currently approved as adjunctive therapy in the chronic management of UCDs, and examined correlates of 24-h blood ammonia. Method: An open-label, fixed sequence switch-over study was conducted in adult UCD patients taking maintenance NaPBA. Blood ammonia and blood and urine metabolites were compared after 7 days (steady state) of TID dosing on either drug, both dosed to deliver the same amount of phenylbutyric acid (PBA). Results: Ten subjects completed the study. Adverse events were comparable for the two drugs; 2 subjects experienced hyperammonemic events on NaPBA while none occurred on GPB. Ammonia values on GPB were .apprx.30% lower than on NaPBA (time-normalized AUC = 26.2 vs. 38.4 μ mol/L; Cmax = 56.3 vs. 79.1 μ mol/L; not statistically significant), and GPB achieved non-inferiority to NaPBA with respect to ammonia (time-normalized AUC) by post hoc anal. Systemic exposure (AUC0-24) to PBA on GPB was 27% lower than on NaPBA (540 vs. 739 μg h/mL), whereas exposure to phenylacetic acid (PAA) (575 vs. 596 μg h/mL) and phenylacetylglutamine (PAGN) (1098 vs. 1133 µg h/mL) were similar. Urinary PAGN excretion accounted for .apprx.54% of PBA administered for both NaPBA and GPB; other metabolites accounted for <1%. Intact GPB was generally undetectable in blood and urine. Blood ammonia correlated strongly and inversely with urinary PAGN (r = -0.82; p < 0.0001) but weakly or not at all with blood metabolite levels. Conclusions: Safety and ammonia control with GPB appear at least equal to NaPBA. Urinary PAGN, which is stoichiometrically related to nitrogen scavenging, may be a useful biomarker for both dose selection and adjustment for optimal control of venous ammonia. OS.CITING REF COUNT: THERE ARE 26 CAPLUS RECORDS THAT CITE THIS 26 RECORD (26 CITINGS) => d his (FILE 'HOME' ENTERED AT 11:00:21 ON 01 FEB 2016) FILE 'CAPLUS' ENTERED AT 11:15:32 ON 01 FEB 2016 L1 0 S "GLYCERYL TRI-[P-PHENYLBUTYRATE]" 3 S "GLYCERYL TRI-[4-PHENYLBUTYRATE]" L2=> s 12 and urea 344374 UREA 14175 UREAS 348696 UREA (UREA OR UREAS) L3 1 L2 AND UREA => d 13ANSWER 1 OF 1 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2016 ACS on STN T.3 2010:708850 CAPLUS DN 154:477123 Phase 2 comparison of a novel ammonia scavenging agent with sodium ΤТ phenylbutyrate in patients with urea cycle disorders: Safety, pharmacokinetics and ammonia control Lee, Brendan; Rhead, William; Diaz, George A.; Scharschmidt, Bruce F.; ΑU Mian, Asad; Shchelochkov, Oleg; Marier, J. F.; Beliveau, Martin; Mauney, Joseph; Dickinson, Klara; Martinez, Antonia; Gargosky, Sharron; Mokhtarani, Masoud; Berry, Susan A. Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX, R814, USA CS

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This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1.-21. (Cancelled)
- 22. (Previously presented) A method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level,

wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 26-64 μ mol/L.

- 23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 32-38 μ mol/L.
- 24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 34-36 µmol/L.
- 25. (Cancelled)
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- 27. (Cancelled)
- 28. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 30.-35. (Cancelled)
- 36. (Previously presented) A method of treating a pediatric subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:
 - (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the pediatric subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 37. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the pediatric subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 38. (Previously presented) The method of claim 36, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 39. (Previously presented) A method of treating an adult subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-

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phenylbutyrate] and who has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising:

- (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the adult subject;
- (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and
- (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 40. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, further comprising repeating steps (a) to (c) until the adult subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.
- 41. (Previously presented) The method of claim 39, wherein the adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 42. (New) A method of treating a patient having a urea cycle disorder comprising:
- (a) administering an initial effective dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] (HPN-100) to the patient, wherein the initial effective dosage is calculated based on body surface area of the patient;
- (b) measuring the patient's urinary PAGN and/or fasting plasma ammonia level to determine whether to change the dosage of the glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] (HPN-100); and
- (c) administering a subsequent effective dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] (HPN-100) to the patient that is either the same as the initial effective dosage or is an increased dosage, wherein said increased dosage, if any, is calculated based on the patient's urinary PAGN and/or fasting plasma ammonia level.
- 43. (New) The method of claim 42, further comprising repeating steps (b) to (c) until the subject exhibits a fasting plasma ammonia level at or below half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level.

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- 44. (New) The method of claim 42, wherein the initial effective dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.
- 45. (New) The method of claim 42, wherein the subsequent effective dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] is administered orally.

REMARKS

Claims 25-27 and 30-35 have been cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer. New claims 42-45 have been added. No new matter has been added by these amendments. With the entry of this amendment, claims 22-24, 28, 29, and 36-45 are pending.

Claims 22-41 have been rejected on the ground of non-statutory double patenting over claims 2, 4 and 7-10 of U.S. Patent No. 9,245,278, claims 3-6 of U.S. Patent No. 8,404,215, claims 1-12 of U.S. Patent No. 8,642,012, and claims 1-15 of U.S. Patent No. 9,095,559. Solely to expedite prosecution and without in any way conceding to the rejection, Applicant submits terminal disclaimers over each of those patents. Applicant requests that the rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHODS OF THERAPEUTIC MONITORING OF NITROGEN SCAVENGING DRUGS

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The present application is being examined under the pre-AIA first to invent provisions.

DETAILED ACTION

Claims 22-24, 28-29 and 36-45 and are pending in the instant application.

Applicants present new claims 42-45 with their response on 02/18/2016.

The terminal disclaimer filed on 02/18/2016 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of US patent nos. 9,254,278, 8,404,215, 9,095,559 and 8,642,012 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In view of the applicants arguments filed on 1 and terminal disclaimer filed on 02/18/2016 and the following examiners statement of reasons for allowance, claims 22-24, 28-29 and 36-41 are found to be allowable. Upon further review, new claims 42-45 are also found to free of art and do not consist of any 112 issues and are supported in the original specification. Accordingly, new claims 42-45 are also found to be allowable along with originally presented claims.

Following a diligent search it was determined that the prior art neither teaches nor provides adequate motivation to arrive at the instantly claimed 22. (Previously presented) A method of treating a subject with a urea cycle disorder who has previously been administered an initial dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] and who

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has a fasting plasma ammonia level less than the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, the method comprising: (a) measuring a fasting plasma ammonia level for the subject; (b) comparing the fasting plasma ammonia level to the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level; and (c) administering an adjusted dosage of glyceryl tri-[4-phenylbutyrate] that is greater than the initial dosage if the fasting plasma ammonia level is greater than half the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level, wherein the upper limit of normal for plasma ammonia level is in the range of 26-64 pmol/L.

Conclusion

Claims 22-24, 28-29 and 36-45 (renumbered 1-15) are allowed.

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S32	9	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 10:56
S33	18	("4284647" "6083984" "6050510" "6219567" "20040229948" "20080119554" "20060135612" "5968979" "20100008859").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 10:56
S34	2	S33 and "nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 10:56
S35	1	("6083984").PN.	USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 10:56
S36	9	((Saul) near2 (Brusilow)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 10:56
S37	0	"13417137".rlan. or ("13".src. and "417137".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S38	4	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S39	0	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S40	9	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT;	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43

			USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB			
S41	0	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S42	0	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S43	18	("20040229948" "20060135612" "4284647" "6083984" "20080119554" "6219567" "20100008859" "6050510" "5968979" "20100008859" "6219567").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S44	0	S37 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S45	8	S43 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S46	2	S45 and scavenging	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S47	109	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S48	4	S47 and PAA	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S49	4	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S50	9	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S51	18	("4284647" "6083984" "6050510" "6219567" "20040229948" "20080119554" "20060135612" "5968979" "20100008859").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S52	2	S51 and "nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT		OFF	2012/12/20 16:43

S53	1	("6083984").PN.	USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S54	9	((Saul) near2 (Brusilow)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S55	0	"13417137".rlan. or ("13".src. and "417137".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S56	4	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S57	0	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S58	9	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S59	0	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S60	0	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S61	18	("20040229948" "20060135612" "4284647" "6083984" "20080119554" "6219567" "20100008859" "6050510" "5968979" "20100008859" "6219567").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S62	0	S55 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S63	8	S61 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S64	2	S63 and scavenging	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S65	109	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S66	4	S65 and PAA	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43

S67	4	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB;	OR	OFF	2012/12/20
		((Bridge) rical 2 (GGFWW LESS WWW BT))	USPAT; USOCR			16:43
S68	9	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S69	18	("4284647" "6083984" "6050510" "6219567" "20040229948" "20080119554" "20060135612" "5968979" "20100008859").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S70	2	S69 and "nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S71	1	("6083984").PN.	USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S72	9	((Saul) near2 (Brusilow)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2012/12/20 16:43
S73	0	"14816674".rlan. or ("14".src. and "816674".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2015/10/28 17:33
S74	64	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2015/10/28 17:33
S75	29	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB		OFF	2015/10/28 17:33
S76	51	("20030195255" "20050273359" "20080119554" "20100008859" "20100016207" "20120022157" "20130210914" "20130281530" "20140142186" "4457942" "5654333" "6219567" "8094521" "8404215" "8642012" "9078865").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB		OFF	2015/10/29 09:56
S77	2	"US 9095559"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2015/10/29 09:57
S78	4	"US 8404215"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2015/10/29 09:57
S79	135	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR;	OR	OFF	2015/10/29 09:59

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S80	11	S76 and S79	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2015/10/29 09:59
S81	4	"US 8642012"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2015/10/29 10:02
S82	0	"14958259".rlan. or ("14".src. and "958259".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/02/01 10:31
S83	25	("20030195255" "20040229948" "20050273359" "20060135612" "20080119554" "20100008859" "20100016207" "20120022157" "20120220661" "20130210914" "20130281530" "20140142186" "20150094278" "20150105469" "4284647" "4457942" "5654333" "5968979" "6060510" "6083984" "6219567" "8094521" "8404215" "8642012" "9078865").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	OFF	2016/02/01 10:51
S84	19	S83 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/02/01 10:51
S85	11	S84 and scavenging	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/02/01 10:51
S86	68	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB		OFF	2016/02/01 10:53
S87	9	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/02/01 10:54
S88	0	"US 9254278"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/02/01 11:26
S89	0	"US 9254278"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/02/01 11:26
S90	6	"13417137".rlan. or ("13".src. and "417137".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S91	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S92	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT;	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39

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S93	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S94	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S95	35	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S96	25	("20040229948" "20060135612" "4284647" "6083984" "20080119554" "6219567" "20100008859" "6050510" "5968979" "20100008859" "6219567").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S97	6	S90 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S98	8	S96 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S99	2	S98 and scavenging	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S100	139	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S101	18	S100 and PAA	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S102	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S103	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S104	18	("4284647" "6083984" "6050510" "6219567" "20040229948" "20080119554" "20060135612" "5968979" "20100008859").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT		OFF	2016/03/02 10:39

S105	2	S104 and "nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S106	1	("6083984").PN.	USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S107	9	((Saul) near2 (Brusilow)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S108	6	"13417137".rlan. or ("13".src. and "417137".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S109	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S110	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S111	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S112	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S113	35	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S114	25	("20040229948" "20060135612" "4284647" "6083984" "20080119554" "6219567" "20100008859" "6050510" "5968979" "20100008859" "6219567"). PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S115	6	S108 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S116	8	S114 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S117	2	S116 and scavenging	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S118	139	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39

S119	18	S118 and PAA	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S120	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S121	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S122	18	("4284647" "6083984" "6050510" "6219567" "20040229948" "20080119554" "20060135612" "5968979" "20100008859").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S123	2	S122 and "nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S124	1	("6083984").PN.	USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S125	9	((Saul) near2 (Brusilow)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S126	6	"13417137".rlan. or ("13".src. and "417137".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S127	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S128	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S129	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S130	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S131	35	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S132	25	("20040229948" "20060135612" "4284647" "6083984" "20080119554" "6219567" "20100008859" "6050510" "5968979" "20100008859" "6219567").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO;	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39

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S133	6	S126 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S134	8	S132 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S135	2	S134 and scavenging	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S136	139	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S137	18	S136 and PAA	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT		OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S138	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S139	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S140	18	("4284647" "6083984" "6050510" "6219567" "20040229948" "20080119554" "20060135612" "5968979" "20100008859").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT		OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S141	2	S140 and "nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S142	1	("6083984").PN.	USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S143	9	((Saul) near2 (Brusilow)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S144	6	"13417137".rlan. or ("13".src. and "417137".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S145	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S146	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S147	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR;	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39

			FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB			
S148	10	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S149	35	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB		OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S150	25	("20040229948" "20060135612" "4284647" "6083984" "20080119554" "6219567" "20100008859" "6050510" "5968979" "20100008859" "6219567").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S151	6	S144 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S152	8	S150 and nitrogen	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S153	2	S152 and scavenging	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT		OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S154	139	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S155	18	S154 and PAA	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT		OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S156	16	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S157	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S158	18	("4284647" "6083984" "6050510" "6219567" "20040229948" "20080119554" "20060135612" "5968979" "20100008859"). PN .	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S159	2	S158 and "nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39

S160	1	("6083984").PN.	USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S161	9	((Saul) near2 (Brusilow)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S162	2	"14816674".rlan. or ("14".src. and "816674".ap.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S163	70	((BRUCE) near2 (SCHARSCHMIDT)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S164	35	((MASOUD) near2 (MOKHTARANI)).INV.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S165	51	("20030195255" "20050273359" "20080119554" "20100008859" "20100016207" "20120022157" "20130210914" "20130281530" "20140142186" "4457942" "5654333" "6219567" "8094521" "8404215" "8642012" "9078865").PN.	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S166	4	"US 9095559"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S167	6	"US 8404215"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
S168	139	"nitrogen scavenging"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; DERWENT	OR	OFF	2016/03/02 10:39
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