

# Salt Selection for L-224715 and L-2218

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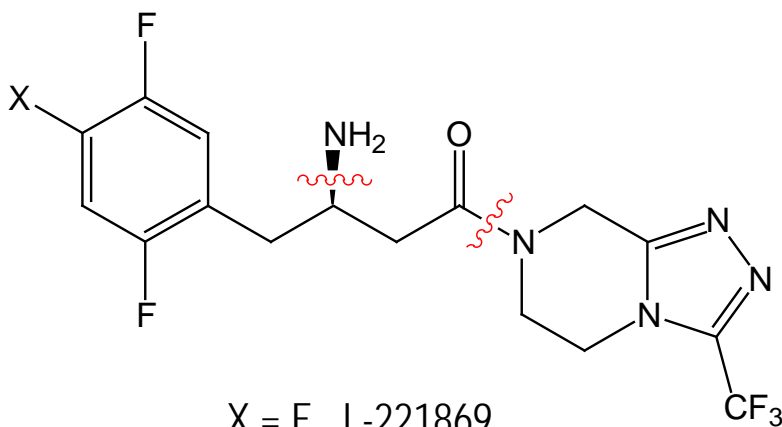
## Formulation Design

L-221869, L-224715: Yun Liu, Tom Gandek

# Pharmaceutically Acceptable Salts

- Soluble in water, wettable by water or organics
  - Improve or maintain bioavailability
  - Enable use of wet granulation to improve processibility
- Non-disproportionating in water (large pKa difference)
  - Maintains chemical form in water
- Low toxicity of counterion
  - e.g. oxalate
- Low/no pharmacological activity of counterion
  - e.g. amino acids
- Non-hygroscopic
- Acceptable morphology, compactibility

# Evaluation of Free Bases



X = F L-221869

X = H L-224715

## L-221869 free base

- crystalline
- pKa = 8.0
- solubility 2.2 mg/mL in

## L-224715 free base

- crystalline
- pKa ca. 8
- solubility 5.9 mg/mL in

### Both compounds:

- Bioavailability >50% in all species
- Hydrolysis of amide, de-amination observed
- Most stable in solution between pH 2-4

# Formulation Plan for Phase I

Keep formulations as **simple** as possible while still maintaining **stability**:

1. **Dry-filled capsules**                      Drug or salt filled directly into a capsule
  - Need good morphology/flow, density, stability with capsule
  - Evaluation at Quintiles (Mar 2002)
2. **Drug/excipient mixture**              Binary mixture of drug and a suitable excipient  
**filled in a capsule**                      with good flow properties
  - Need stability with capsule and excipient
  - Evaluation at Quintiles (Mar 2002) with mannitol
3. **Liquid-filled hard or**                      Drug suspension or solution filled in a capsule  
**soft capsule**
  - Need solubility and stability in liquid vehicle; stability with capsule

Test capsule formulations versus solution/suspension in dogs  
Parallel development of tablet formulation for Phase II

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