

## EMA Review on Cyclodextrins as Excipients

In the context of the revision of the guideline on 'Excipients in the label and package leaflet of medicinal products for human use' (CPMP/463/00 Rev. 1) the European Medicines Agency (EMA) published an evaluation on cyclodextrins as pharmaceutical excipients [1]. The toxicology data are summarized according to the administration routes and the safety threshold values are established. These data might be useful for those developing cyclodextrin-based pharmaceutical formulations.

In the introduction the medicinal products containing CDs are overviewed (citing also the 02/2013 issue of *Cyclodextrin News* on the approved pharmaceutical products containing cyclodextrins [2]). The following CDs are compared:  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ CD, HPBCD, SBEB CD and RAMEB. Concerning the administration routes HPBCD is the most versatile used in oral, rectal, dermal, ocular and parenteral formulations. The only marketed nasal formulation is with RAMEB. The  $\alpha$ CD is applied only for parenteral route (excipient in prostaglandin E1 infusion), while  $\gamma$ CD is for oral and dermal formulations and SBEB CD is for oral and parenteral routes.

Concerning the kinetic/toxicological data and clinical safety the various administration routes are discussed separately.

The low **oral** bioavailability is the basis of the safety of CDs. Adverse effects (diarrhea, cecal enlargement) can be observed only at high doses (>1000 mg/kg). The total daily oral dose of  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ CD as dietary supplement may reach 6000 mg/day, 500 mg/day and 10 000 mg/day, respectively, and for HPBCD this value is 8000 mg/day as oral pharmaceutical [3].

Dimethyl  $\beta$ CD (DIMEB) facilitates the drug absorption through **nasal** mucosa. In animal experiments at higher doses DIMEB was detected in urine [4]. HPBCD has no absorption enhancing effect, its absorption, however, is highly improved by commercial absorption enhancer HPE-101. While  $\beta$ CD and HPBCD are harmless even at high concentrations (1.5% and 20%, resp.), RAMEB at 20% level caused severe damage of nasal mucosa.

CDs ( $\beta$ CD, RAMEB, HPBCD) are absorbed when administered **pulmonary**: the bioavailability was 66%, 74% and 80%, respectively [4].

$\beta$ CD, RAMEB and HPBCD are absorbed from the rat rectum due to their interaction with the lipid components of the **rectal** mucosa [5]. RAMEB and  $\alpha$ CD caused reversible damage at higher concentrations.

CDs themselves are poorly absorbed through the skin, but from formulations containing absorption enhancer there might be significant **dermal** absorption at least into the skin. Up to

0.1% no harmful effects were observed in HaCaT keratinocytes, while at 0.5% and 1% level significant cytotoxicity was observed in the order of RAMEB >  $\beta$ CD > HPBCD >  $\alpha$ CD > ( $\gamma$ CD) [6].

In **ocular** delivery CDs enhance the absorption of drugs through the aqueous mucin layer,  $\alpha$ CD through the layers of cornea, too. Also,  $\alpha$ CD was found to interact with the membrane components, destabilize it this way increasing its own permeability [7]. Concentrations of 4%  $\alpha$ CD and 5% RAMEB can be toxic to the corneal epithelium of rabbits. Solutions of 10% SBEB CD and 12.5% HPBCD were found not to be toxic or irritating in rabbit eyes [1].

The fate of the **parenterally** administered CDs is summarized by EMA as follows:

IV-administered cyclodextrins disappear rapidly from systemic circulation and are renally excreted intact. The  $t_{1/2}$  varies from 20 to 100 minutes. Only RAMEB has a longer  $t_{1/2}$  compared to other cyclodextrins derivatives (7h), probably related to its ability to interact with cellular membranes.

Among the parent CDs both  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ CD show renal toxicity, while  $\gamma$ CD is harmless up to 600 mg/kg. In spite of its safety no medicinal products with  $\gamma$ CD for intravenous administration are used. Similarly to  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ CD, RAMEB is not suitable for parenteral application because of kidney damage. HPBCD and SBEB CD are considered safe at relatively high doses (250 mg/kg/day for 21 days and 6 months, respectively). They are, however, not recommended for new born babies and patients with renal impairment.

Based on the NOAEL data (no adverse effect concentration) the Permitted Daily Dose (PDE) values were calculated. Unfortunately not all the necessary data are available as a lot of experiments were performed with not the pure CDs but their complexes. As there are no data where CDs enhance the toxic effects of active substances, the data with or without active substances were considered. For treatment duration, at least a 3-week period was calculated.

The PDE values are summarized below.

Table 1. PDE (mg/kg/day) or safe amount (mg/kg/day or %) values above which adverse effects may occur

| CD/route   | $\alpha$ CD | $\beta$ CD  | $\gamma$ CD | RAMEB   | HPBCD/SBE-BCD |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------|---------------|
| oral       | 120         | 10          | 200         | no data | 160           |
| nasal      | no data     | 1.5         | no data     | 10      | 10            |
| rectal     | no data     | 5           | no data     | no data | 12%           |
| dermal     | no data     | $\pm 0.1\%$ | $\pm 0.1\%$ | no data | $\pm 0.1\%$   |
| ocular     | <4%         | $\pm 1\%$   | no data     | <5%     | 10%           |
| parenteral | 0.2         | no data     | 0.8         | no data | 300           |

$\pm$  means estimation based on properties

For neonates (newborn babies and infants below 2) PDE or safe amount values were calculated by dividing the data in Table 1 by an extra safety factor of 10.

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*Sensor, twisted structure*

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