

## Corrigendum

# Corrigendum to “Epibatidine structure–activity relationships” [Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett. 14 (2004) 1889]

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A correction to Ref. 25 in this review article was published in June 2004 *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. Issue*. The correction showed that the data reviewed in Table 9 (page 1893) for structures **12** and **15** should be transposed and the discussion on page 1894 updated. The revised table and discussion follow.

The 5- and 6-(2'-chloro-5'-pyridinyl)heptanes **12–15** can be viewed as epibatidine analogs where the 7-position nitrogen of epibatidine (**1**) has been moved to the 5- or 6-position of the 7-azabicyclo[2.2.1] ring. Cox et al. have synthesized all four analogs and evaluated their  $\alpha 4\beta 2$  and  $\alpha 7$  nAChR potency for inhibition of [ $^3\text{H}$ ]nicotine binding to rat cortical membranes and [ $^{125}\text{I}$ ]BTX binding in rat hippocampal membranes, respectively.<sup>25</sup> These authors found that **14** and **15** with  $K_i$  values of 0.045 nM and 0.056 nM for  $\alpha 4\beta 2$  nAChRs were almost as potent as epibatidine (**1**), which showed a  $K_i$  value of 0.02 nM in their studies (Table 9). Compounds **12** and **14** showed  $K_i$  values of 1600 and 3.9 nM for  $\alpha 7$  nAChR (Table 9). Compounds **12** and **13** possessed low affinity for both  $\alpha 4\beta 2$  as well as  $\alpha 7$  nAChRs. Dart and co-workers also synthesized analogs **12–14** and evaluated their  $\alpha 4\beta 2$  nAChR potency using whole rat brain tissue and [ $^3\text{H}$ ]cytisine as the radioligand. These authors also found **14** to be the more potent compound. Under these conditions, compound **14** with a  $K_i$  value of 0.032 nM was equipotent to epibatidine with a  $K_i$  value of 0.04 nM. Similar to Cox and Malpass et al.,<sup>25</sup> Dart et al. found analog **12** to have relatively low affinity ( $K_i$  6.6 nM compared to >38 nM) for  $\alpha 4\beta 2$  nAChRs.

**Table 9.** Radioligand binding and antinociceptive potency of 7-azabicyclo[2.2.1]heptane ring modified analogs of epibatidine

Compd	[ $^3\text{H}$ ]Ligand ( $K_i$ , nM)	[ $^{125}\text{I}$ ] $\alpha$ -BTX <sup>b</sup>	Tail-Flick EC <sub>50</sub> (mg/g)
Epibatidine ( <b>1</b> )	0.090, <sup>a</sup> 0.02, <sup>b</sup> 0.04, <sup>c</sup> 0.26 <sup>d</sup>		0.01 <sup>a</sup>
<b>10</b>	0.47 <sup>a</sup>		0.04 <sup>a</sup>
<b>11</b>	0.34 <sup>a</sup>		1.4 <sup>a</sup>
<b>12</b>	>38, <sup>b</sup> 6.6 <sup>c</sup>	1600	
<b>13</b>	>38, <sup>b</sup> 30 <sup>c</sup>	3300	
<b>14</b>	0.045, <sup>b</sup> 0.032 <sup>c</sup>	3.9	
<b>15</b>	0.056 <sup>b</sup>	6.3	
(+)- <b>16</b>	0.13 <sup>d</sup>		
(-)- <b>16</b>	0.35 <sup>d</sup>		
<b>17</b>	1.25 <sup>d</sup>		
<b>18</b>	1.6 <sup>c</sup>		
<b>19</b>	3.9 <sup>f</sup>		
<b>20</b>	5.0 <sup>f</sup>		

<sup>a</sup> Taken from Ref. 32; [ $^3\text{H}$ ]cytisine.

<sup>b</sup> Taken from Ref. 25; [ $^3\text{H}$ ]nicotine.

<sup>c</sup> Taken from Ref. 11; [ $^3\text{H}$ ]cytisine.

<sup>d</sup> Taken from Ref. 33; [ $^3\text{H}$ ]nicotine.

<sup>e</sup> Taken from Ref. 34; [ $^3\text{H}$ ]epibatidine.

<sup>f</sup> Taken from Ref. 35; [ $^3\text{H}$ ]cytisine.

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