Metabonomic Studies on The Time-Related Metabolic Effects of α-Naphtylisothiocyanate on Urine in The Rats by Liquid Chromatography-Mass Spectrometry

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Metabonomic analysis using Liquid Chromatography-Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS) was employed to test the feasibility to predict chemical-induced toxicity. Time-dependent metabolic variations were evaluated in rats treated with the model hepatotoxin, α-naphthylisothiocyanate (ANIT). Urine samples of ANIT treated group and control group were collected up to 7 days postdose. Urine samples were analyzed by gradient HPLC combined with electrospray mass spectrometry. The chromatographic results were data-reduced and analyzed using principal component analysis to show the time dependent biochemical variations induced by ANIT toxicity. These preliminary results suggest that LC-MS-based approaches may have a useful tool in metabonomic analysis that complements existing approaches.

Metabolism of Eupatilin in the Rats Using Liquid Chromatography/Electrospray Mass Spectrometry

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Eupatilin (5,7-dihydroxy-3",4",6-trimethoxyflavone) is an active ingredient of an ethanol extract of Artemisia asiatica (DA-9601) that is used in the treatment of gastritis. In vitro and in vivo metabolism of eupatilin in the rats has been studied by LC-electrospray mass spectrometry. Rat liver microsomal incubation of eupatilin in the presence of NADPH and UDPGA resulted in the formation of four metabolites (M1-M4). M1, M2, M3 and M4 were tentatively identified as 3"-, or 4"-O-demethyl-eupatilin glucuronide, eupatilin glucuronide, 6-O-demethyleupatilin and 3"- or 4"-O-demethyl-eupatilin glucuronide, respectively. Those metabolites from in vitro study were also characterized in bile, plasma or urine samples after an intravenous administration of eupatilin to rats. In rat bile, plasma and urine samples, eupatilin glucuronide (M2) was a major metabolite, whereas M3, M4 and M4 glucuronide (M1) were the minor metabolites.

Simultaneous enantioseparation of β-blockers by chiral capillary electrophoresis in reversed polarity mode

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The chiral separation of multiple β-blockers is described for their accurate chiral discrimination by chiral capillary electrophoresis (CE). The cyclodextrin-modified CE system was operated in the reversed polarity mode. In this mode, fairly good enantiomeric resolutions were achieved. Relative migration times to internal standard under optimum conditions were characteristic of each enantiomer with good precision. Therefore, in this study, the usefulness for the chiral separation and accurate identification will be discussed.

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