

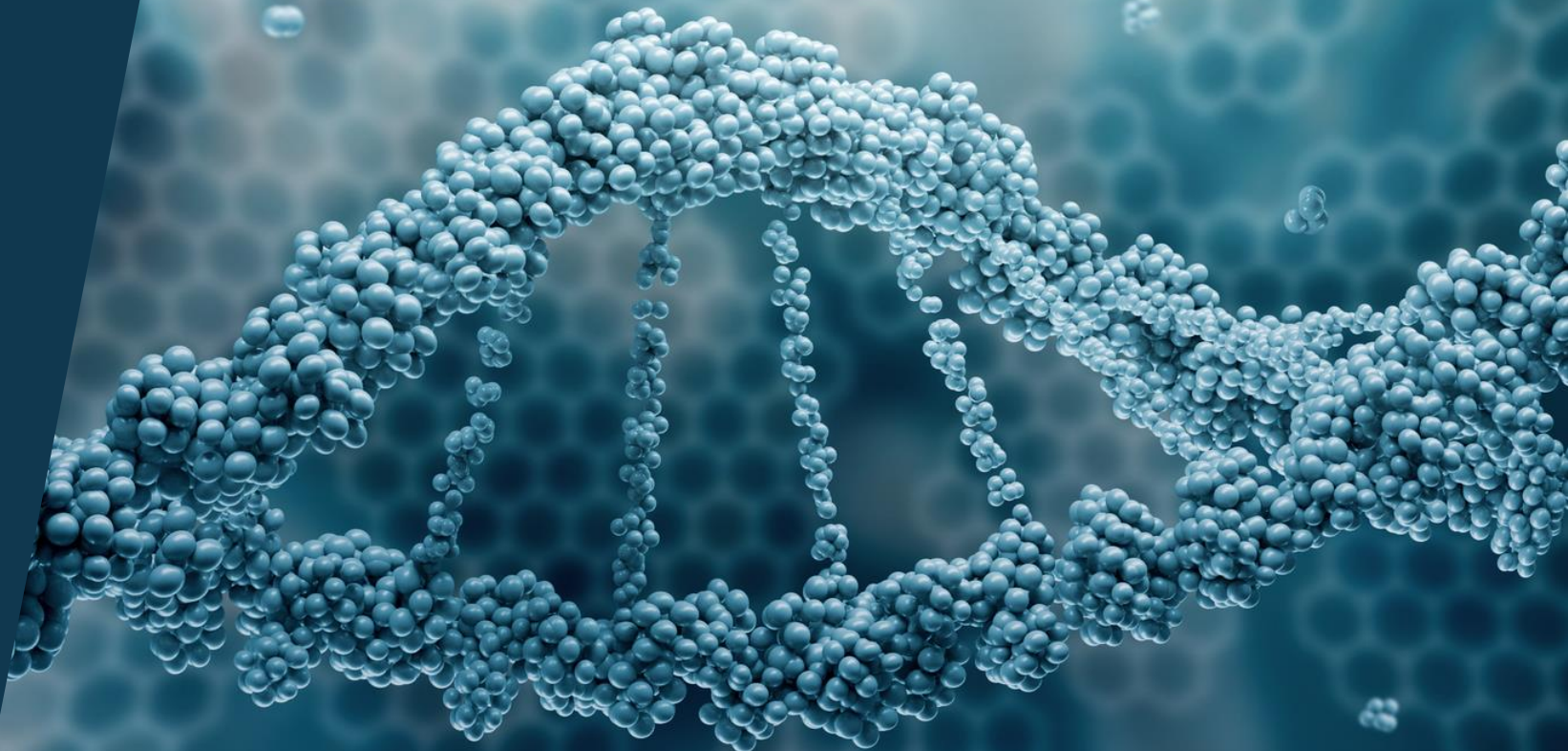


Donated Chemical Probe

*GnRH-R Antagonist
Probe BAY-784*

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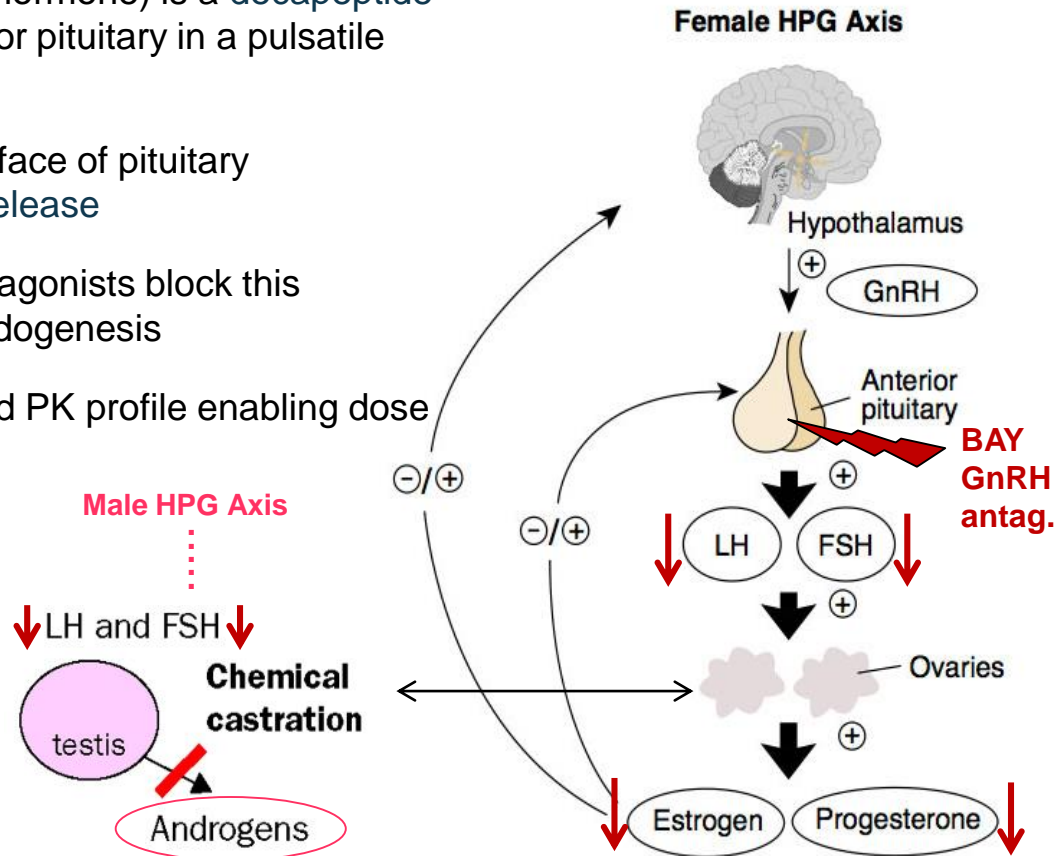
Scientific Rationale: GnRH as Central Player in HPG-Axis

// **Rationale:** GnRH (gonadotropin releasing hormone) is a decapeptide released from the hypothalamus to the anterior pituitary in a pulsatile manner

// GnRH activates GnRH-R located at the surface of pituitary gonadotrophic cells → triggering LH & FSH release

// GnRH superagonists (to be injected) & antagonists block this process → leading to impaired ovarian steroidogenesis

// **Orally** available GnRH antagonist with good PK profile enabling dose titration



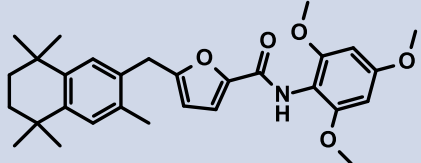
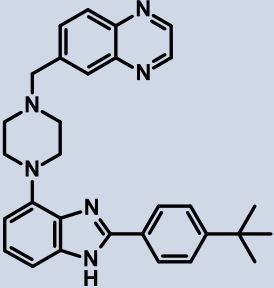
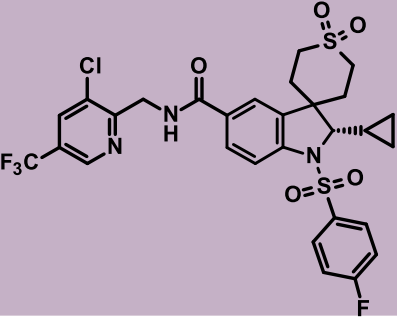
GnRH antag. – similar effect in male HPG axis / impaired testicular androgen production and spermatogenesis

adapted from Friedman et al., 1990



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Two Commercially Available SMOL GnRH Antagonists with Activity at Rodent Receptor

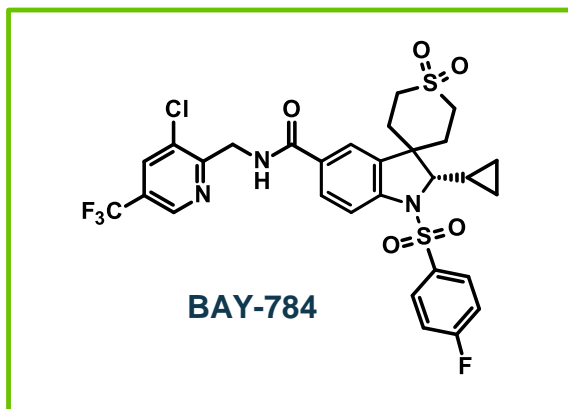
Company / Identifier	Pfizer: AG 045572	Wyeth: WAY-207024	Bayer: BAY-784
Structure			
CAS No.	[263847-55-8]	2HCl: [872002-73-8]	[1631164-24-3]
Solubility	24.6 mg/mL (EtOH) 49 mg/mL (DMSO)	2 µg/mL (pH 7.4, free base) 47 mg/mL (DMSO, salt)	1 µg/mL (cryst., pH 7) 9 mg/mL (cryst., EtOH)
<i>In vivo</i> activity	LH suppression in castr. male rats at 100 mg/kg	LH suppression in rats at 30 mg/kg (2HCl)	LH suppression in OVX-rats at 10 mg/kg
MW [g/mol]	492	477	601
Hum/rat pot. [nM]	$K_i = 6 / 3.8$	$IC_{50} = 12 / 71$	$IC_{50} = 21 / 24$
F (rat) [%]	8-24	74 (2HCl)	48-87

BAY-784 shows a favorable DMPK profile and is the first GnRH antagonist accompanied by a negative control compound



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Overall Profile



Potency and Selectivity (IC₅₀)

Hum*	21 nM
Rat*	24 nM
Monkey*	35 nM
Binding**	27 nM
MAPK14 / MAPK13 / CB1 ^	11 / 5 / 3.4 μM

^ 3 significant hits out of 122 off-targets tested

Properties and PhysChem

LogD @ pH 7.5	4.1
LLE***	4.0
S _w pH 6.5	1 mg/L
MWcorr	601 g/mol
TPSA	114 Å ²
Rotatable Bonds	7

CYP Inhibition [μM]

1A2	2C8	2C9	2D6	3A4	3A4 (pre.)
>10	1.0	>10	>10	>10	>10

CYP Induction (Hum Hep)

NOEL CYP1A2	NOEL CYP3A4
5000 ng/mL	1667 ng/mL

* mechan., biochem. IP1 assays, CHO cells stably expressing GnRH-R; Buserelin at ~EC₈₀

** human GnRH receptor binding assay (Tag Lite)

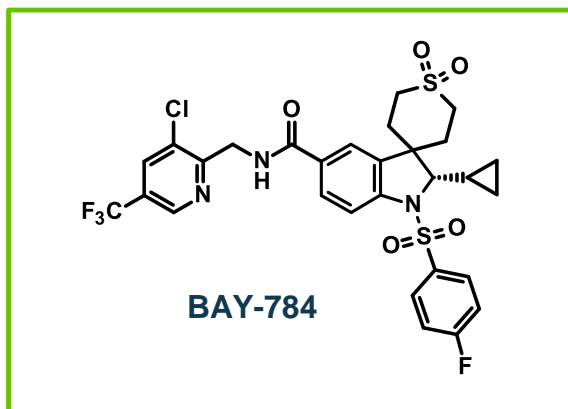
*** LLE = ligand-lipophilicity efficiency = p(IC₅₀ hum) – clogD

BAY-784 is a selective GnRH inhibitor with high potency *across* tested species



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Pharmacokinetics

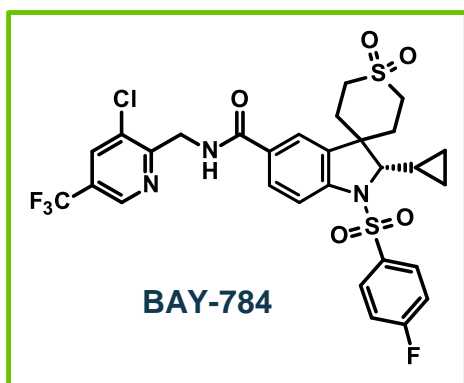
Caco-2 P _{app} AB // efflux ratio	12 nm/s // 10				
rat / hum Hep CL (F _{max})	L/h/kg (%)		0.36-0.75 (82-91%) / 0.1-0.49 (63-93%)		
dog / cynom Hep CL (F _{max})	L/h/kg (%)		0.73 (65%) / 0.71 (72%)		
f _u (hum)	1.4 %				
<i>In vivo</i> PK iv/po	CL _b [L/h/kg]	V _{ss} [L/kg]	t _{1/2} [h]	po AUC _{norm} [kg·h/L]	F [%]
Rat (male Wistar)	0.54	10	13-17	0.8-1.4	48-87
Dog (female Beagle)	0.66	6.3	18	1.4	69
Cynomolgus (female)	1.0	3.6	7	0.2-0.5	16-40

BAY-784 shows a preferable DMPK profile which makes the inhibitor suitable for *in vivo* studies (Phase 1 study performed)

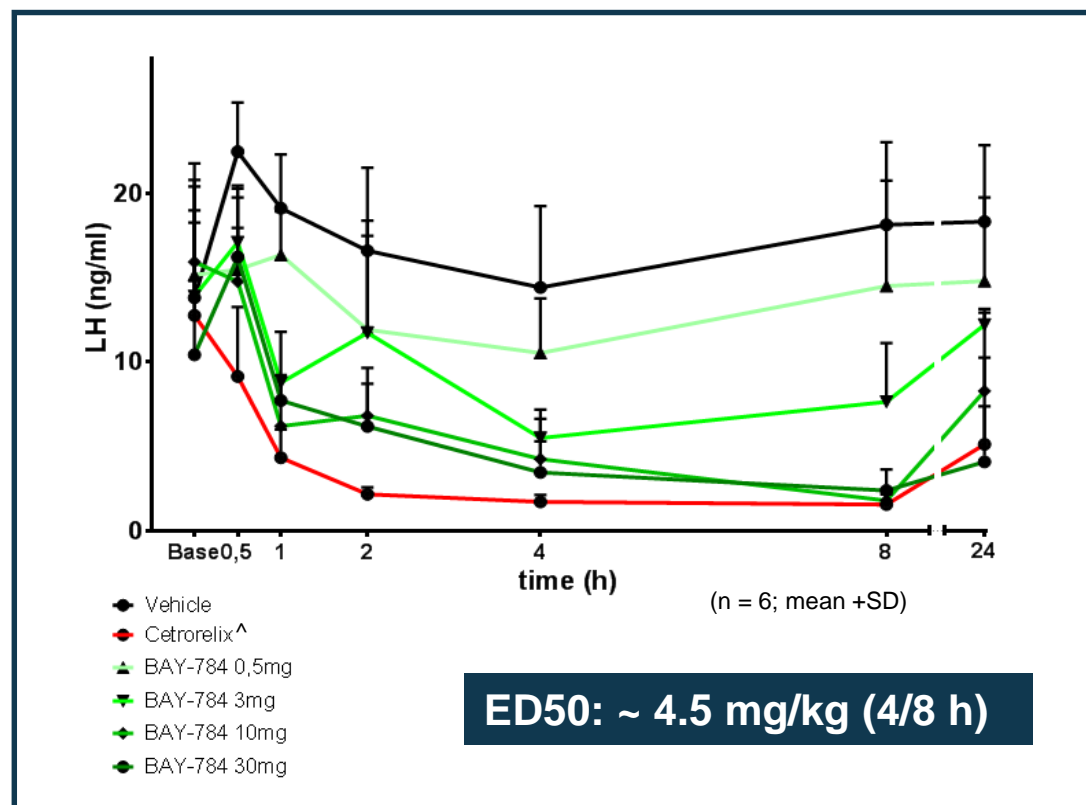
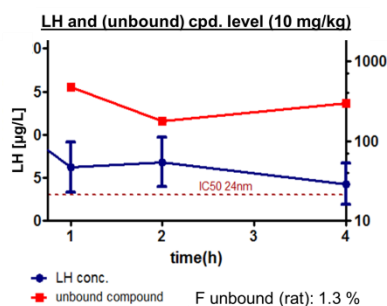


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In vivo Pharmacology Data: Female Rat



- Single p.o. application in OVX rats

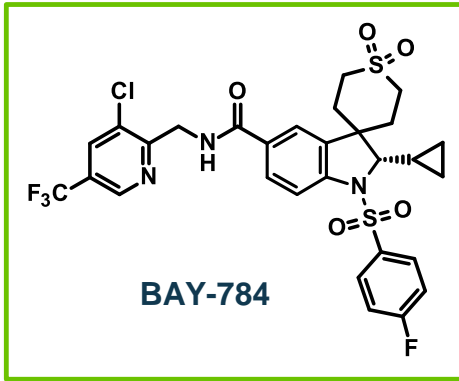


BAY-784 suppressed the plasma LH concentration in OVX rats in a dose-dependent manner

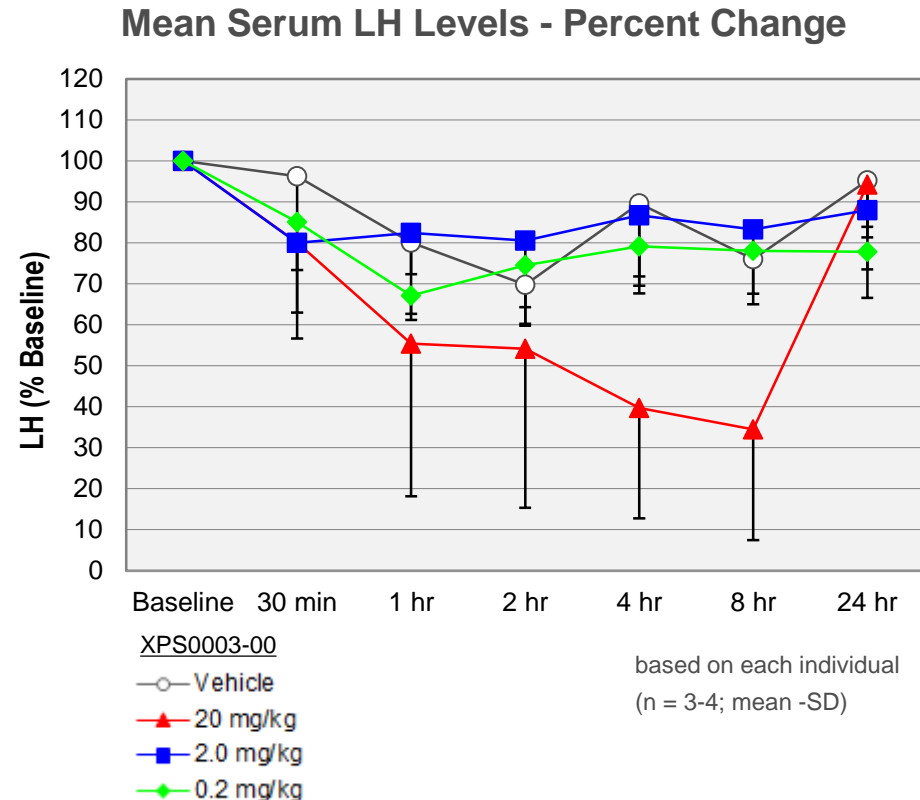


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In vivo Pharmacology Data: Male Monkey



- Single p.o. application in ORX cynomolgus monkeys (8 weeks post surgery)
- Doses > 20 mg/kg not tested

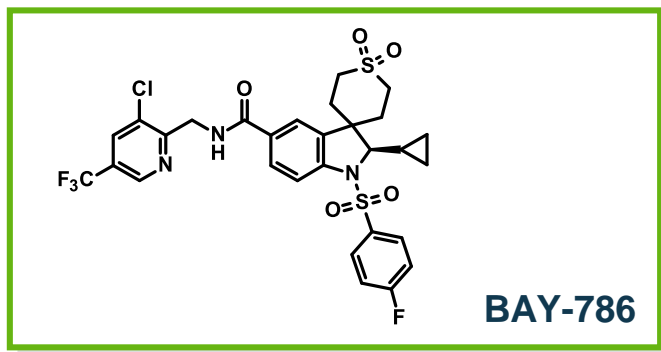


BAY-784 suppressed the plasma LH level at 20 mg/kg to approximately 40% (4/8 hours) of the initial concentration in ORX cynomolgus monkeys



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Negative Control BAY-786



▪ Molecular Properties

MW [g/mol]	672
MWcorr [g/mol]	601
TPSA [Å ²]	114
Rotatable bonds	7

▪ PhysChem

Sol. ^{pH 6.5} [mg/L]	<0.1
clog D (pH 7.5)	2.5

sol. from DMSO; from solid: nd

▪ Pharmacology

GnRH-R hum (Buserelin@EC ₈₀) IC ₅₀	2.4 μM*
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* arith. mean of 7 measurements; strongly dependent on residual levels of BAY-784 after enantiomeric separation

▪ In vitro PK

CaCo2	A-B [nm/s]	B-A [nm/s]	Ratio
	7.8	300	39



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Summary / Conclusion

Probe criteria	
Inhibitor/agonist potency: goal is < 100 nM (IC ₅₀ , K _d)	Surpasses criteria ; high potency in mechanistic, hum cell-based assay with IC ₅₀ = 21 nM (superagonist Buserelin stimulation at EC ₈₀)
Selectivity within target family: goal is >30-fold	Surpasses criteria ; selectivity against a broad range of GPCR's (see Millipore GPCR profiler)
Selectivity outside target family: describe the off-targets (which may include both binding and functional data)	Surpasses criteria ; clean LeadProfilingScreen; highest potency among 122 tested off-targets: CB1 (IC ₅₀ = 3.4 μM)
On target cell activity for cell-based targets: goal is < 1 micromolar IC ₅₀ /EC ₅₀	Surpasses criteria ; high potency in hum cell-based assay with IC ₅₀ = 21 nM (superagonist Buserelin stimulation at EC ₈₀)
On target cell activity for secreted targets: appropriate alternative such as mouse model or other mechanistic biological assay, e.g., explant culture	Surpasses criteria ; suitable pharmacokinetic profile for in vivo studies; in vivo efficacy in LH suppression experiments in female rats and male monkeys shown
Neg ctrl: <i>in vitro</i> potency → 100 times less; Cell activity → 100 times less potent than the probe	Surpasses criteria ; BAY-786 with at least 114-fold lower in vitro potency (IC ₅₀ = 2.4 μM)

We ask for acceptance of GnRH-R antagonist BAY-784 as *in vitro* / *in vivo* chemical probe, accompanied by BAY-786 as negative control



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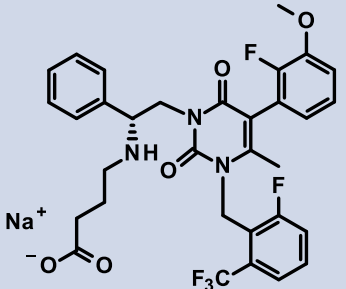
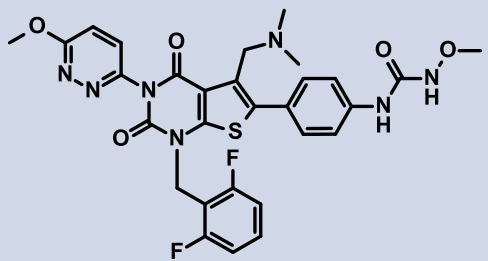
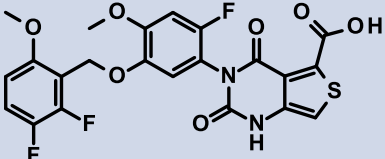
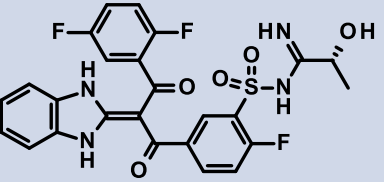
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Oral GnRH Antagonists in Development

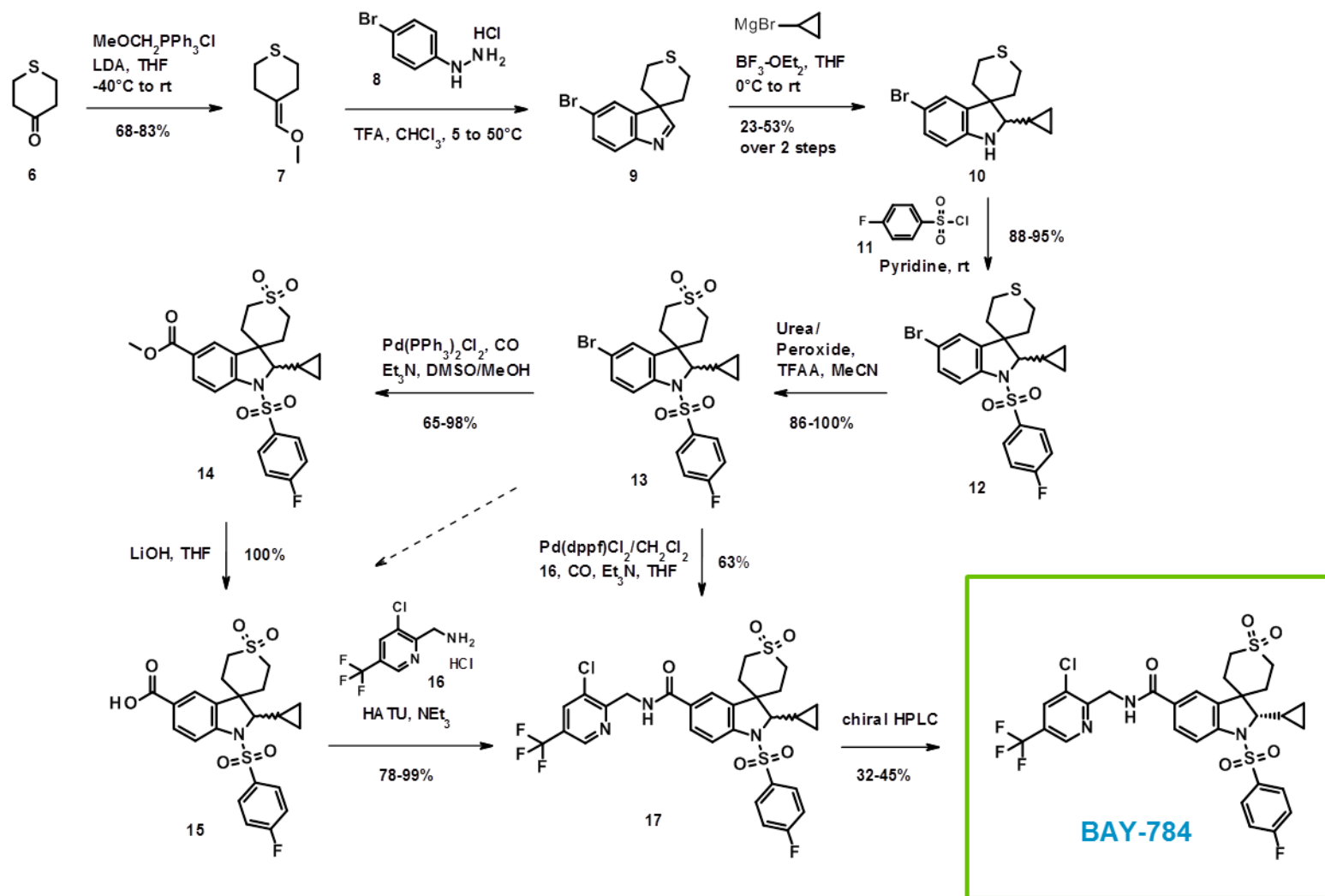
Company / Drug Name	AbbVie/Neurocrine Biosc.: Elagolix (NBI-56418 Na)	Takeda/Myovant: Relugolix (TAK-385)	Kissei/ObsEva: Linzagolix (OBE-2109)	Astellas: ASP-1707
Structure				
Active Indications	endometriosis; uterine fibroids	endometriosis; uterine fibroids; prostate tumor	endometriosis; uterine fibroids	endometriosis; rheumatoid arthritis
Highest Devel. Status	Ph III	Ph III	Ph III	Ph II
Add. Information	uterine fibroids: 6 (+6) months studies; elagolix alone or with add-back therapy in curr. Ph III	uterine fibroids: 40 mg once daily for 12-48 weeks (with hormonal add-back therapy) in curr. Ph III		
MW [g/mol]	654	624	508	545
IC ₅₀ rat [nM]	3120	9800	not avail.	not avail.

BAY-784 shows a favorable DMPK profile and a high potency across species including rats



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Synthesis of BAY-784





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GPCR Panel (25 GPCR's, Millipore)

Agonist Data (Percentage Activation Normalized to E_{max} Control)

GPCR Target	08_2012_02 @ 12.5µM		
	n1	n2	Avg.
5-HT1A	-5.6	6.6	0.5
5-HT2B	3.1	3.0	3.1
5-HT6	13.0	14.2	13.6
A2B	5.4	4.8	5.1
A3	1.5	1.4	1.4
ADRA1A	1.7	1.7	1.7
ADRA2A	1.2	1.3	1.3
ADRB1	1.3	1.5	1.4
ADRB2	1.4	2.5	2.0
CB1	2.3	3.1	2.7
D1	6.8	8.0	7.4
D2	7.9	8.5	8.2
EP3	1.0	1.1	1.1
H1	5.2	6.1	5.6
H2	2.1	0.9	1.5
H3	-0.3	0.3	0.0
M1	1.0	1.1	1.0
M4	0.6	0.7	0.7
MC4	-0.2	0.9	0.4
Motilin	1.3	1.3	1.3
NK1	1.4	0.2	0.8

GPCR Target	08_2012_02 @ 12.5µM		
	n1	n2	Avg.
OPRK1	14.8	8.4	11.6
OPRM1	2.2	3.1	2.6
P2RY2	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2
SST4	1.8	-0.6	0.6

Antagonist Data (Percentage Inhibition)

GPCR Target	08_2012_02 @ 10µM		
	n1	n2	Avg.
5-HT1A	-4.8	1.1	-1.9
5-HT2B	12.9	5.3	9.1
5-HT6	10.0	3.7	6.8
A2B	12.8	13.1	13.0
A3	14.0	5.1	9.5
ADRA1A	8.9	1.2	5.1
ADRA2A	-9.7	-11.4	-10.5
ADRB1	5.9	2.8	4.3
ADRB2	1.8	5.4	3.6
CB1	10.3	6.2	8.2
D1	8.6	12.0	10.3
D2	25.7	24.9	25.3
EP3	13.1	5.7	9.4
H1	8.4	-3.2	2.6
H2	8.7	12.5	10.6
H3	-10.8	5.6	-2.6
M1	3.7	-1.0	1.4
M4	9.1	13.1	11.1
MC4	-3.3	-1.3	-2.3
Motilin	21.1	8.8	15.0
NK1	4.6	2.5	3.6
OPRK1	-45.0	-28.8	-36.9
OPRM1	7.0	21.8	14.4
P2Y2	-9.3	-14.9	-12.1
SST4	10.3	16.1	13.2

BAY-784 = 08_2012_02



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LeadprofilingScreen Data (Ricerca)

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Compound: CHH54-2012, PT #: 1163668								188020	Protein Serine/Threonine Phosphatase, PPP3CA (Calcineurin, PP2B)	320030	hum	2	10 µM	-8		
107000	Aldose Reductase	319779	rat	2	10 µM	0		170020	Protein Tyrosine Kinase, EGF Receptor	319766	hum	2	10 µM	-3		
107710	ATPase, Na ⁺ /K ⁺ , Heart, Pig	319782	pig	2	10 µM	4		174020	Protein Tyrosine Kinase, ERBB2 (HER2)	319964	hum	2	10 µM	6		
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104010	Cholinesterase, Acetyl, ACES	319764	hum	2	10 µM	56		190010	Protein Tyrosine Phosphatase, PTPRC (CD45)	319895	hum	2	10 µM	-5		
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138000	Lipoxygenase 15-LO	319811	rabbit	2	10 µM	11		203800	Adrenergic α _{2C}	319671	hum	2	10 µM	3		
140010	Monoamine Oxidase MAO-A	319665	hum	2	10 µM	3		204010	Adrenergic β ₁	319714	hum	2	10 µM	7		
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142000	Nitric Oxide Synthase, Neuronal (nNOS)	320012	rat	2	10 µM	2		204200	Adrenergic β ₃	319716	hum	2	10 µM	0		
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163000	Peptidase, CASP1 (Caspase 1)	319813	hum	2	10 µM	8		210120	Angiotensin AT ₂	319909	hum	2	10 µM	-5		
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180010	Protein Serine/Threonine Kinase, PRKCA (PKCα)	319967	hum	2	10 µM	16		244500	Chemokine CXCR2 (IL-8R _β)	319879	hum	2	10 µM	14		
								218020	Cholecystokinin CCK ₁ (CCK _A)	319772	hum	2	10 µM	-3		
								219500	Dopamine D ₁	319677	hum	2	10 µM	6		
								219600	Dopamine D _{2L}	319854	hum	2	10 µM	4		



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219900	Dopamine D ₄₂	319680	hum	2	10 µM	11		268000	Progesterone	319798	bov	2	10 µM	0	
224010	Endothelin ET _A	319792	hum	2	10 µM	16		268700	Purinergic P _{2x}	319697	rabbit	2	10 µM	-17	
226010	Estrogen ER α	319733	hum	2	10 µM	21		271110	Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) 5-HT _{1A}	319807	hum	2	10 µM	0	
226810	GABA _A , Chloride Channel, TBOB	319722	rat	2	10 µM	34		271200	Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) 5-HT _{1B}	319835	rat	2	10 µM	-24	
226600	GABA _A , Flunitrazepam, Central	319681	rat	2	10 µM	-1		271700	Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) 5-HT _{2A}	319692	hum	2	10 µM	4	
226500	GABA _A , Muscimol, Central	319682	rat	2	10 µM	7		271800	Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) 5-HT _{2C}	319730	hum	2	10 µM	9	
232030	Glucocorticoid	319770	hum	2	10 µM	13		271910	Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) 5-HT ₃	319778	hum	2	10 µM	19	
232600	Glutamate, AMPA	319900	rat	2	10 µM	2		272000	Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) 5-HT ₄	319825	gp	2	10 µM	22	
232700	Glutamate, Kainate	319705	rat	2	10 µM	1		272200	Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) 5-HT ₆	319911	hum	2	10 µM	14	
232810	Glutamate, NMDA, Agonism	319706	rat	2	10 µM	-13		278110	Sigma σ_1	319711	hum	2	10 µM	15	
233000	Glutamate, NMDA, Phencyclidine	319708	rat	2	10 µM	-4		278200	Sigma σ_2	319913	rat	2	10 µM	20	
239000	Glycine, Strychnine-Sensitive	319876	rat	2	10 µM	4		255520	Tachykinin NK ₁	319795	hum	2	10 µM	26	
239610	Histamine H ₁	319683	hum	2	10 µM	9		255600	Tachykinin NK ₂	319925	hum	2	10 µM	7	
239710	Histamine H ₂	319696	hum	2	10 µM	1		202000	Transporter, Adenosine	319718	gp	2	10 µM	25	
241000	Imidazoline I ₂ , Central	319684	rat	2	10 µM	10		220320	Transporter, Dopamine (DAT)	319673	hum	2	10 µM	25	
243000	Insulin	320004	rat	2	10 µM	-1		204410	Transporter, Norepinephrine (NET)	319672	hum	2	10 µM	14	
250460	Leukotriene, Cysteinyl CysLT ₁	319728	hum	2	10 µM	4		274030	Transporter, Serotonin (5-Hydroxytryptamine) (SERT)	319674	hum	2	10 µM	10	
251300	Melanocortin MC ₃	320001	hum	2	10 µM	-7		286510	Tumor Necrosis Factor (TNF), Non-Selective	319983	hum	2	10 µM	22	
251350	Melanocortin MC ₄	319880	hum	2	10 µM	12		287010	Vasoactive Intestinal Peptide VIP ₁	319902	hum	2	10 µM	2	
251400	Melanocortin MC ₅	320003	hum	2	10 µM	27		287530	Vasopressin V _{1A}	319822	hum	2	10 µM	-11	
252610	Muscarinic M ₁	319685	hum	2	10 µM	5									
252710	Muscarinic M ₂	319686	hum	2	10 µM	-3									
252810	Muscarinic M ₃	319687	hum	2	10 µM	1									
252910	Muscarinic M ₄	320048	hum	2	10 µM	2									
253010	Muscarinic M ₅	320049	hum	2	10 µM	0									
257010	Neuropeptide Y Y ₁	319797	hum	2	10 µM	17									
257110	Neuropeptide Y Y ₂	319796	hum	2	10 µM	2									
258590	Nicotinic Acetylcholine	319703	hum	2	10 µM	-15									
260130	Opiate δ_1 (OP1, DOP)	319860	hum	2	10 µM	5									
260210	Opiate κ (OP2, KOP)	319861	hum	2	10 µM	7									
260410	Opiate μ (OP3, MOP)	319688	hum	2	10 µM	16									
264500	Phorbol Ester	319689	mouse	2	10 µM	1									
265010	Platelet Activating Factor (PAF)	319758	hum	2	10 µM	6									
265200	Platelet-Derived Growth Factor (PDGF)	319694	mouse	2	10 µM	-4									



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Relevant IC50 Data (Ricerca)

Cat #	Assay Name	Species	Conc.	% Inh.	IC ₅₀ *	K _i	n _H
171000	Protein Serine/Threonine Kinase, MAPK3 (ERK1)	hum	10 μM	87	4.87 μM		
176610	Protein Serine/Threonine Kinase, MAPK14 (p38α)	hum	10 μM	50	10.7 μM		
217030	Cannabinoid CB ₁	hum	3 μM	52	3.44 μM	2.57 μM	0.91



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Mechanistic Assay Description (Human Receptor)

Human, hGnRH-R IC50 determination (one day protocol)

Agonist binding to the hGnRH-R results in the activation of phospholipase C leading to the production of inositol-3-phosphate (IP3) and the subsequent release of intracellular Ca⁺⁺.

Termination of second messenger signaling is achieved through the conversion of IP3 to myoinositol [via inositol-2- (IP2) and inositol-1-phosphate (IP1)], a process, which can be blocked at the IP1-level in the presence of LiCl. The resulting accumulation of cellular IP1 is used in a competitive immunoassay in which IP1 competes with a fluorescent IP1-tracer (IP1-d2) for the binding to a terbium labelled anti-IP1 antibody (CisBio International; HTRF IPOne Assay).

Maximum signal resulting from fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET) between the detection reagents is obtained in the absence of cellular IP1. Any decrease in FRET signal is indicative of hGnRH-R activation whereas antagonist activity results in signal increase once again. FRET signal quantification is achieved with the help of an appropriate plate reader (PheraStar; RubyStar; ViewLux). Following excitation at 340 nm any reduction of FRET induced emissions at 520 nm is indicative of agonist induced IP1 production. In addition, a second FRET signal at 495 nm, originating from the Tb-labelled Anti IP1 antibody, is used for well internal referencing (Well-Ratio; defined as 520nm/495nm*10000).

Typically, the reaction volume was 5 µl in 384 well plates. Three microliters of the cell suspension containing 3333 cells/µl (10 000 cells/well) in Ham's F12 medium were added to all wells of the ready to use test plate. Following a 20 minute preincubation at RT two microliters of a 2.5XEC80 agonist solution of either LHRH (X.XXE-ZM; Source = ; Stock: 80µM in 10mM in Tris/HCl 0.01% BSA, stored at -20°C) or Buserelin (Y.YY E-ZM; USbiological, #B8995, Stock: 0,1mg/ml in Tris-Cl; 8,07E-05M, stored at -20°C) prepared fresh in stimulation buffer

(10mM Hepes pH 7.4, 1mM CaCl₂, 0.5mM MgCl₂, 4.2mM KCl, 146mM NaCl, 5.5mM alpha-D-Glucose, 0.05% BSA, 150mM) was added to the test compound and positive control wells (low controls [C(0)]).

The negative control wells (high controls, [C(i)]) received stimulation buffer only. Following that, the plate was incubated for another 60 minutes at 37°C in the presence of a 1XEC80 concentration of agonist (LHRH: N.NNE-NNM; Buserelin: n.nnE-nnM). The reaction was stopped by the addition of 2 µl of lysisbuffer containing a 1:38 dilution of the Tb-cryptate labelled anti-IP1 antibody stock prepared according the manufacturers protocol. Another 60 minutes later the cell lysate containing plate was transferred to TR-FRET compatible reader in order to quantify the results.