



**Fluorimetry based
assays to determine
the inhibition
potential of
unknown compounds
on major human
CYP isoforms**

Activity (compared to an uninhibited control) is followed for 30 mins at 7 different compound concentrations (100-0.1 μ M) then fitted to a model using XLfit® software, before determining an IC₅₀ value.

Shifts in IC₅₀ value over time can indicate whether the unknown compound has the potential to be a time/metabolism-based inhibitor of each CYP isoform.

A positive control inhibitor is run in parallel on every plate, giving you confidence in the end result.

Suitable solvents are DMSO and Methanol up to 2.5% (v/v), assuming compound solubility.

Fast turnaround of data after receipt of compound, depending on number of compounds/isoforms to be assayed.

All work is carried out under Cypex's ISO9001:2008 accredited quality system.

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CYP inhibition screening using fluorometric assays

Figure 1 Plate map for screening an individual CYP for inhibition by 10 compounds

Column 1: Solvent controls for the plate
Column 2: Positive control (miconazole)
Columns 3-12: Test compounds
Row 8: Solvent controls for test compounds

The test and positive control compounds are serially diluted down the plate giving approximately 1000 fold concentration range from 0.14 μM - 100 μM .

The mean rates for the wells in column 1 are used as an internal QC for the plate:

Rates for individual test blank wells should fall within 20% of the mean rate in column 1. If rates in more than 33% of the test blank wells are outside the 20% limit then the plate must be repeated.

The mean rate in the wells in column 1 must be within two standard deviations of the mean rate derived from historical data.

The IC_{50} for the positive control inhibitor in column 2 (usually miconazole) must lie within two standard deviations of the mean IC_{50} derived from historical data.

Figure 2 Typical raw data for two compounds

The increase in fluorescence is plotted against time for 8 wells in a single column on the plate.

Each plate covers a full concentration range for a single compound. Blank (yellow line) to 100 μM (red line).

- a Typical plot for a compound exhibiting direct inhibition
- b Typical plot for a compound exhibiting direct inhibition in addition to a time dependent inhibition.

Figure 1

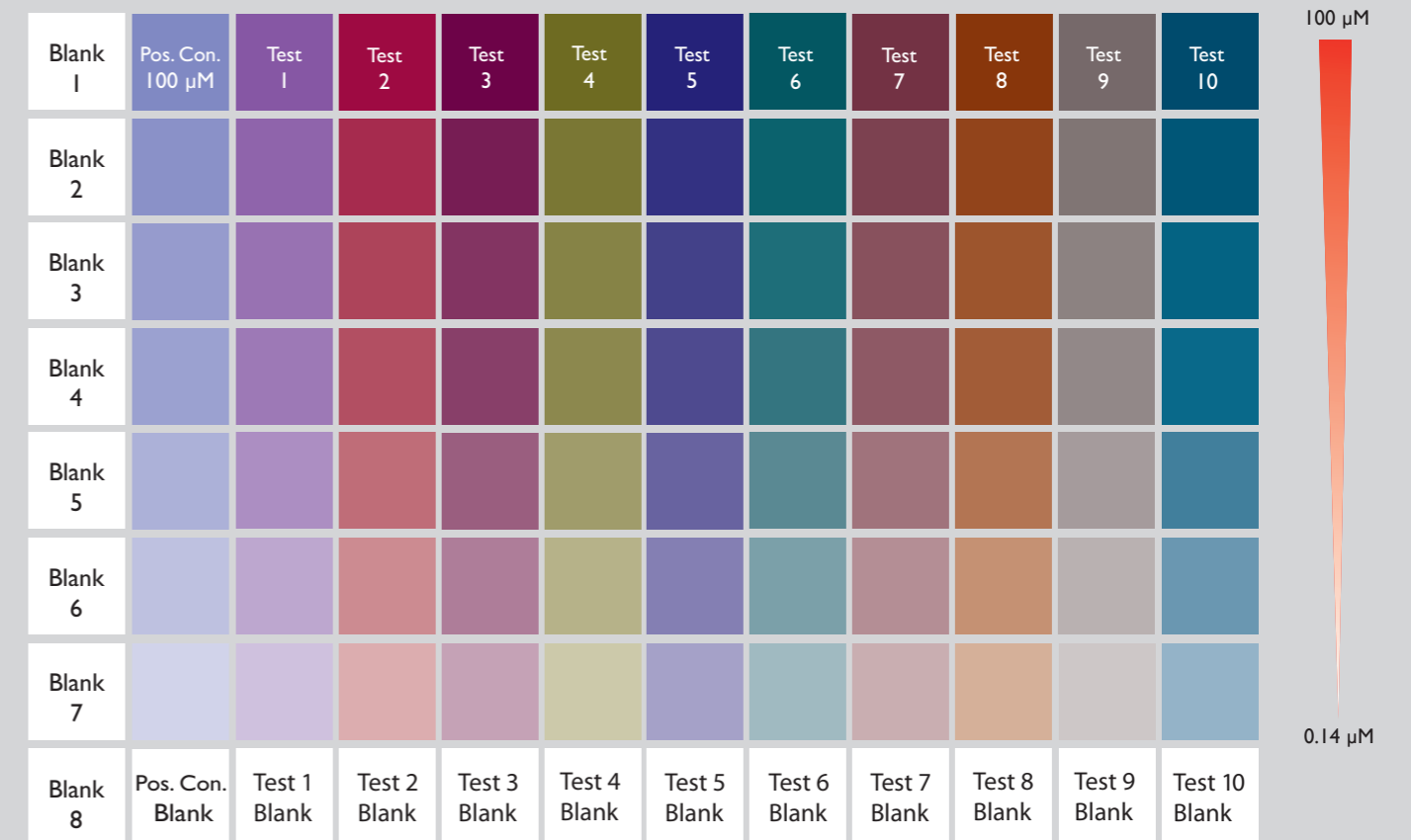


Figure 2a

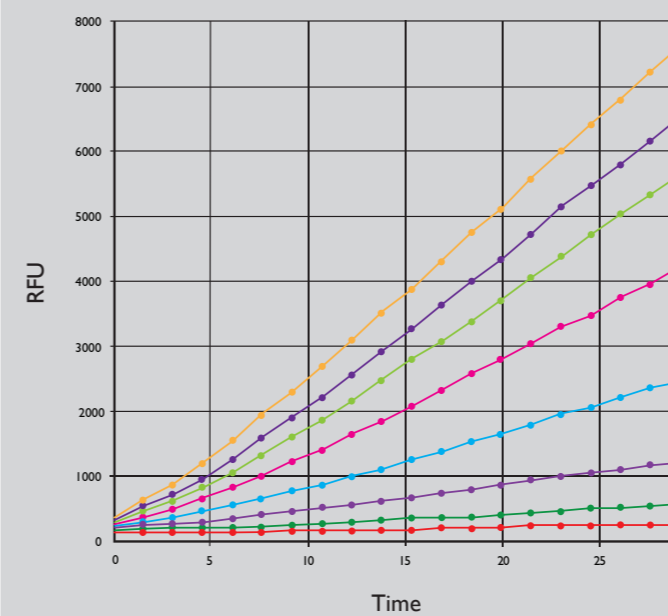


Figure 2b

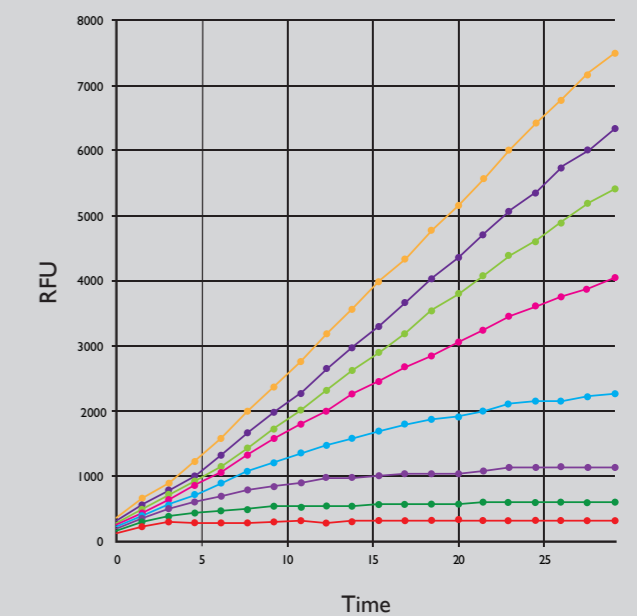
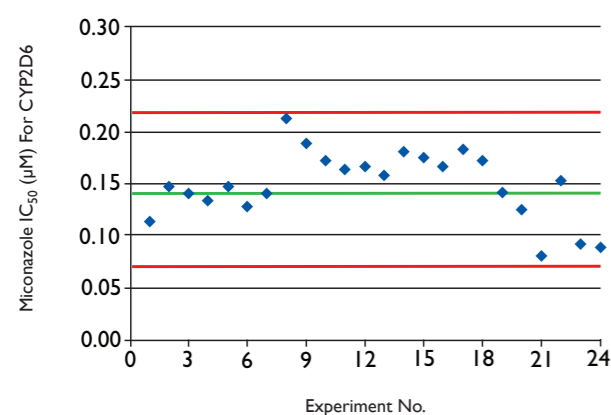


Figure 3



For each compound, the rates of increase in fluorescence at each concentration are expressed as a percentage of the control value and plotted in XLFit®. The IC₅₀ is determined from the interpolated curve of best fit.

Typical positive control data over a number of experiments carried out with different batches of enzyme on different days are shown in **Fig. 3** demonstrating the reproducibility of the assay. The red lines mark ± 2 SD from the mean, the green line is the mean IC₅₀.

Because the increase in fluorescence is measured continuously over time it is possible to monitor changes in the IC₅₀ of the compounds as the reaction progresses (**Fig. 4**).

For this analysis the rate of increase in fluorescence is calculated at each timepoint by taking the rate for 10.5 min spanning the nominal time (i.e. from 3 data points before to 3 data points after the nominal time). The IC₅₀ is then plotted against time.

A decrease in the IC₅₀ with time is a good indication that time/metabolism dependent inhibition (TDI/MDI) is occurring. Where a two fold reduction in the IC₅₀ is observed over time then TDI/MDI is deemed to be present - **Fig 4c**.

Figure 4a No TDI/MDI

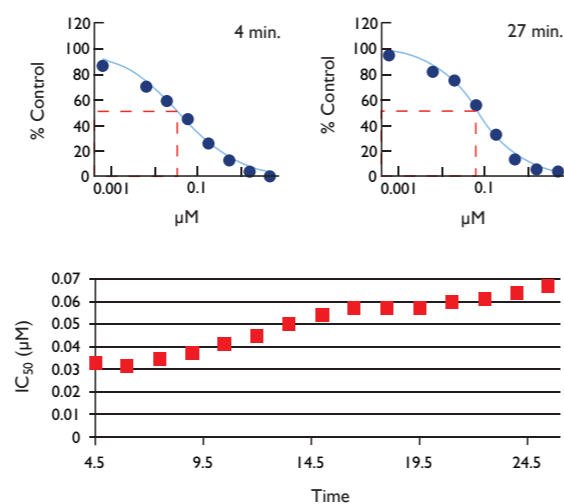


Figure 4b Possible TDI/MDI

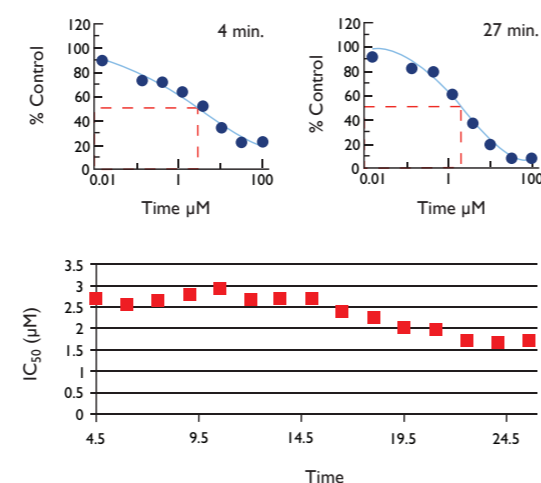
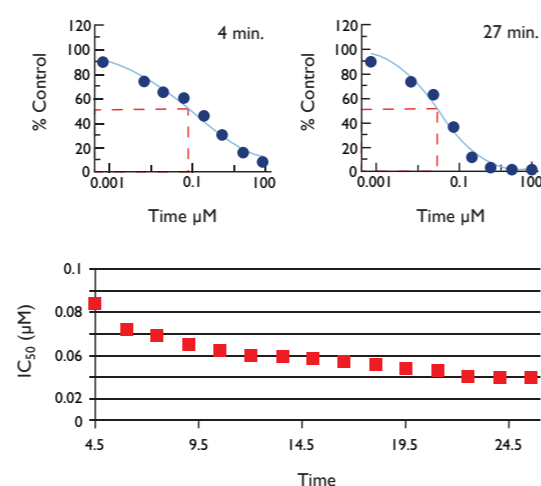


Figure 4c TDI/MDI



IC₅₀ (µM) determined against each CYP isoform

Compound	Conc range tested (µM)	1A2	2C9	2C19	2D6	3A4
Furafylline	100-0.1	76.6	>100	67.4	25.6	54.5
Fluvoxamine	100-0.1	0.08	1.2	<0.1	0.42	13.7
Fluvoxamine	10-0.01	0.07	2.5	0.07	0.41	>10
Fluvoxamine	5-0.005	0.11	-	0.05	0.52	-
Fluvoxamine	2-0.002	-	-	0.11	-	-
Amiodarone	100-0.1	59.1	>100	3.2	7.6	9.1
Mibefradil	100-0.1	>100	5.5	4.0	<0.1	0.15
Mibefradil	10-0.01	-	-	-	-	0.12
Mibefradil	5-0.005	-	-	-	0.08	-
Isoniazid	100-0.1	>100	>100	74.5	66.2	13.1
Clopidogrel	100-0.1	5.0	2.5	0.53	22.5	25.0
Diltiazem	100-0.1	>100	59.4	>100	73.4	29.3
8-MOPS	100-0.1	0.3	4.3	2.6	3.6	37.1
8-MOPS	10-0.01	0.5	-	-	-	-
Ticlopidine	100-0.1	15.2	8.4	0.21	0.43	22.3
Montelukast	100-0.1	28.8	0.56	2.2	4.3	2.3
Montelukast	10-0.01	>10	-	-	-	-
Montelukast	5-0.005	-	0.25	-	-	-
Montelukast	2-0.002	-	0.17	-	-	-
Gemfibrozil	100-0.1	>100	70.4	56.3	>100	>100
Fluoxetine	100-0.1	>100	4.0	<0.1	0.21	15.0
Fluoxetine	10-0.01	>10	>10	0.07	0.25	-
Fluoxetine	5-0.005	-	-	0.04	0.21	-
Fluoxetine	2-0.002	-	-	0.04	-	-
Troglitazone	100-0.1	>100	>100*	62.6	>100	>100
Troglitazone	2.5-0.0025	-	0.07	-	-	-
Troglitazone	1-0.001	-	0.04	-	-	-
Sulphafenazole	100-0.1	>100	0.40	62.0	92.9	>100
Sulphafenazole	5-0.005	-	0.23	-	-	-
Sulphafenazole	2-0.002	-	0.23	-	-	-
Tienilic acid	100-0.1	>100	0.23	>100	>100	>100
Tienilic acid	5-0.005	-	0.35	-	-	-
Tienilic acid	2-0.002	-	0.17	-	-	-
Tranlycypromine	100-0.1	46.9	3.4	1.1	10.1	>100
Chloramphenicol	100-0.1	>100	>100	2.0	>100	>100
N-Bpb	100-0.1	>100	7.3	0.13	>100	>100
N-Bpb	10-0.01	-	-	0.17	-	-
Quinidine	100-0.1	>100	>100	58.3	<0.1	17.9
Quinidine	10-0.01	>10	>10	>10	<0.01	>10
Quinidine	2-0.002	-	-	-	0.006	-
Citalopram	100-0.1	>100	76.6	55.9	2.2	58.9
Paroxetine	100-0.1	25.9	4.8	0.82	0.17	7.4
Cinacalcet	100-0.1	19.0	3.7	3.0	<0.1	5.4
Cinacalcet	5-0.005	-	-	-	0.009	-
Ketoconazole	100-0.1	45.3	0.71	1.4	11.9	<0.1
Ketoconazole	5-0.005	-	-	-	-	0.008
Ketoconazole	2-0.002	-	-	-	-	0.009
TAO	100-0.1	>100	>100	>100	86.6	8.4
Erythromycin	100-0.1	>100	>100	>100	90.5	19.6
Verapamil	100-0.1	>100	40.1	>100	19.5	9.2
Fluconazole	100-0.1	>100	4.8	1.3	>100	4.8
Miconazole	10-0.01	0.89	0.1	0.06	0.14	0.14

- = Not Determined
 * = limited by solubility
8-MOPS = Methoxypropylsoralen
TAO = Troleandomycin
N-Bpb = R-(-)-N-Benzylphenobarbital