# A single-center, open-label, randomized, 3-way crossover study to evaluate the pharmacokinetic profile and tolerability of Flurbiprofen following administration of two Flurbiprofen transdermal formulations compared to Yakuban Tape® in healthy subjects

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Ethical reviewApproved WMOStatusRecruitment stoppedHealth condition typeOther conditionStudy typeInterventional

# **Summary**

## ID

NL-OMON40944

#### Source

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

Flurbiprofen transdermal patch pharmacokinetics study

## Condition

- Other condition
- Joint disorders

#### **Synonym**

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Inflammation

#### **Health condition**

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## Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Noven Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Source(s) of monetary or material Support: Farmaceutische industrie

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Flurbiprofen, transdermal patch

## **Outcome measures**

## **Primary outcome**

To evaluate the PK profile of flurbiprofen following the administration of two different formulations of FTS (35 mg flurbiprofen / 70 cm2).

## **Secondary outcome**

To compare the PK profile of flurbiprofen following a single 24-hour application of FTS (35 mg flurbiprofen / 70 cm2) to that following a twice-a-day application of Yakuban Tape® (20 mg flurbiprofen / 70 cm2). To assess the adhesion, discomfort, irritation and adhesive residue of the transdermal systems.

To assess the safety and tolerability of FTS and Yakuban Tape®.

# **Study description**

## **Background summary**

Flurbiprofen Transdermal System (FTS) is a new transdermal formulation (a patch

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for administration via the skin) of the registered anti-inflammatory drug flurbiprofen. FTS is being developed and is not registered as a drug but has been given to humans before in a similar formulation. Flurbiprofen is not a new drug; it is already available in the market under several dosages and formulations. In addition to the two formulations of the FTS applied for 24 hours, you will receive 2 Yakuban Tape® transdermal patches that also contain flurbiprofen and will be applied twice for 12 hours (24 hours in total). These Yakuban Tape® transdermal patches are not registered in the European Union but are registered in Asia.

## Study objective

The purpose of the study is to investigate to what extent the FTS patches are tolerated. It will also be investigated how quickly and to what extent flurbiprofen from the FTS patch is absorbed and eliminated from the body (this is called pharmacokinetics).

## Study design

The actual study will consist of 3 periods during which the volunteer will stay in the clinical research center in Zuidlaren for 5 days (4 nights). The time interval between the different periods is between 6 and 8 days. For each period, the volunteer is expected at the clinical research center at 14:00 h in the afternoon prior to the day of (first) administration of study medication. The volunteer will leave the clinical research center on Day 4 (Day 1 is the day of administration of study medication). Between 7 and 10 days after you have left the clinic after Period 3 the volunteer will be called for a short follow-up.

#### Intervention

During the study, the flurbiprofen patches will be applied to the lower back for 24 hours (FTS-A2 and FTS-B2) or 2 times 12 hours (Yakuban Tape®). Study personnel will apply the patches and will press the patches firmly in place, using the palm of the hand for at least 30 seconds to assure good adhesion. From 10 hours before until 4 hours after the application of the (first) patch the volunteer is not allowed to eat or drink anything except for water. The volunteer will receive a lunch 4 hours after application of the study medication in each period.

## Study burden and risks

Other transdermal formulations that contain flurbiprofen have been administered in humans and were shown to be safe and tolerable. Some of the documented side effects with Yakuban Tape® include: itching, redness, rash, and tingling at the site of patch application.

This is the first time that these particular transdermal systems of flurbiprofen, FTS, will be tested in humans. Though local tolerability was good in animal experiments, local skin irritation may be a side effect of FTS. An earlier version of the FTS patches did not have unexpected adverse effects. Flurbiprofen administered through a tablet has well-documented side effects of which the most important are: edema (swelling caused by fluid retention), abdominal pain, constipation, diarrhea, indigestion/heartburn, elevated liver enzymes, flatulence, gastrointestinal bleeding, nausea, vomiting, body weight changes, headache, nervousness, anxiety, insomnia, increased reflexes, tremor, amnesia, fatigue, depression, malaise (feeling sick), somnolence, rhinitis, rash, changes in vision, dizziness, tendinitis and tinnitus.

Procedures: pain, minor bleeding, bruising, possible infection

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## **Trial sites**

## **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

## Inclusion criteria

healthy subjects 18-65 years, inclusive

BMI: 18.0-30.0 kg/m2, inclusive

## **Exclusion criteria**

Suffering from hepatitis B, hepatitis C, cancer or HIV/AIDS. In case of participation in another drug study within 60 days before the start of this study or being a blood donor within 60 days from the start of the study. In case of donating more than 1.5 liters of blood in the 10 months prior the start of this study.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Crossover

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

## Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 08-05-2014

Enrollment: 18

Type: Actual

# Medical products/devices used

Product type: Medicine

Brand name: Yakuban Tape®

Generic name: Yakuban Tape®

# **Ethics review**

Approved WMO

Date: 07-04-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

(Assen)

Approved WMO

Date: 22-04-2014

Application type: First submission

Review commission: BEBO: Stichting Beoordeling Ethiek Bio-Medisch Onderzoek

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# **Study registrations**

## Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

EudraCT EUCTR2014-001016-19-NL

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