

Sector

At GAIKER we offer a wide range of tests for the research and development of active pharmaceutical ingredients (API) and products that can be tailored to the needs of the client. To do this, we use state-of-the-art techniques and equipment that allow us to provide highly reliable scientific data.

We have multiple physiological models in vitro and ex vivo, and the strategies we use include cell biology and transcriptomic technologies, among others. Thanks to this, we are able to support all stages of development, from preclinical studies to clinical phases.

Solutions for pharmaceutical companies and CROs

Custom R&D **Studies**

Central Nervous System

- Test of products through the modelling of pathologies and human neurological disorders in organoids.
- Test of the blood-brain barrier passage potential of APIs.

Skin

- Studies for the development and characterization of topical products in human skin explants and reconstituted tissue models.
- Experts in studies with both healthy skin, and skin with pathologies and injuries.

Digestive System

- In vitro assessment of stomach and intestinal digestive processes' effect on an API.
- Absorption through the intestinal barrier determination.



Blood

- Specialists in the research of different blood populations in individuals and healthy in individuals with pathologies.
- Compound activity analysis in the total blood population or in purified and / or differentiated subtypes.

Respiratory System

- Study of candidates in human nasal / pulmonary epithelium, both healthy, or with pathologies.
- Evaluation of the epithelium response to prolonged exposure to single / repeated doses of the products through a nebulization system.

Since 1998, we have carried out ADME-TOX studies under the guarantee of **Good Laboratory Practices** (GLPs), a certificate granted by the Spanish Ministry of Health and Social Policy.



Absorption

- Intestinal barrier. Caco-2 model
- Dermal absorption (OECD 428). Franz Diffusion Cells
- Blood-brain barrier
- Human lung and nasal epithelium



Distribution

- Plasma protein binding
- Chemical stability in gastric and intestinal fluid



Metabolism

- Metabolic stability: metabolization percentage, intrinsic clearance rate, half-life (hepatocytes, microsomes, S9, recombinant enzymes)
- Stability in human plasma
- Enzymatic phenotyping
- Identification and characterization of metabolites (phase I and phase II)



Bioavailability

 Semi-solid product in vitro release test, IVRT (FDA-SUPAC-SS). Franz Diffusion Cells



Drug-drug interactions

- Inhibition of CYP450-high throughput screening: fluorescent substrates, recombinant CYP450
- Inhibition of CYP450: substrates and specific CYP450 inhibitors
- Induction of CYP450

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ADME-TOX Studies



Bioanalytical method development

UPLC/MS/MS, UPLC/PDA, HPLC/FL, HPLC/PAD



Organ-specific toxicity

• Organ-specific toxicity tests



Toxicity mechanisms

 Tailor-made assays: apoptosis / necrosis, oxidative stress, inflammation, DNA damage, intracellular calcium, etc.



Genotoxicity

- Ames test (OECD 471)
- Mutagenicity in mammalian cells (OECD 476)
- Micronucleus test (OECD 487)



Hemolysis test

Invittox nº37



Eye-tests

Eye irritation and damage (OECD 492, Het-Cam)



Dermal tests

- Corrosion / skin irritation (OECD 431, OECD 435, OECD 439)
- Phototoxicity (OECD 432)
- Oral, nasal, vaginal and gingival irritation



Inhalation tests

- Nasal, bronchial inhalation
- Toxicological study of inhaled products (ALI)



Gene and protein regulation

- Toxicogenomics
- Toxicoproteomics



Physicochemical analysis

- API characterization
- Solubility, stability, partition coefficient, etc.



