

# LE TROISIEME RECEPTEUR DE L'HISTAMINE : DE L'IDENTIFICATION A L'APPLICTION THERAPEUTIQUE

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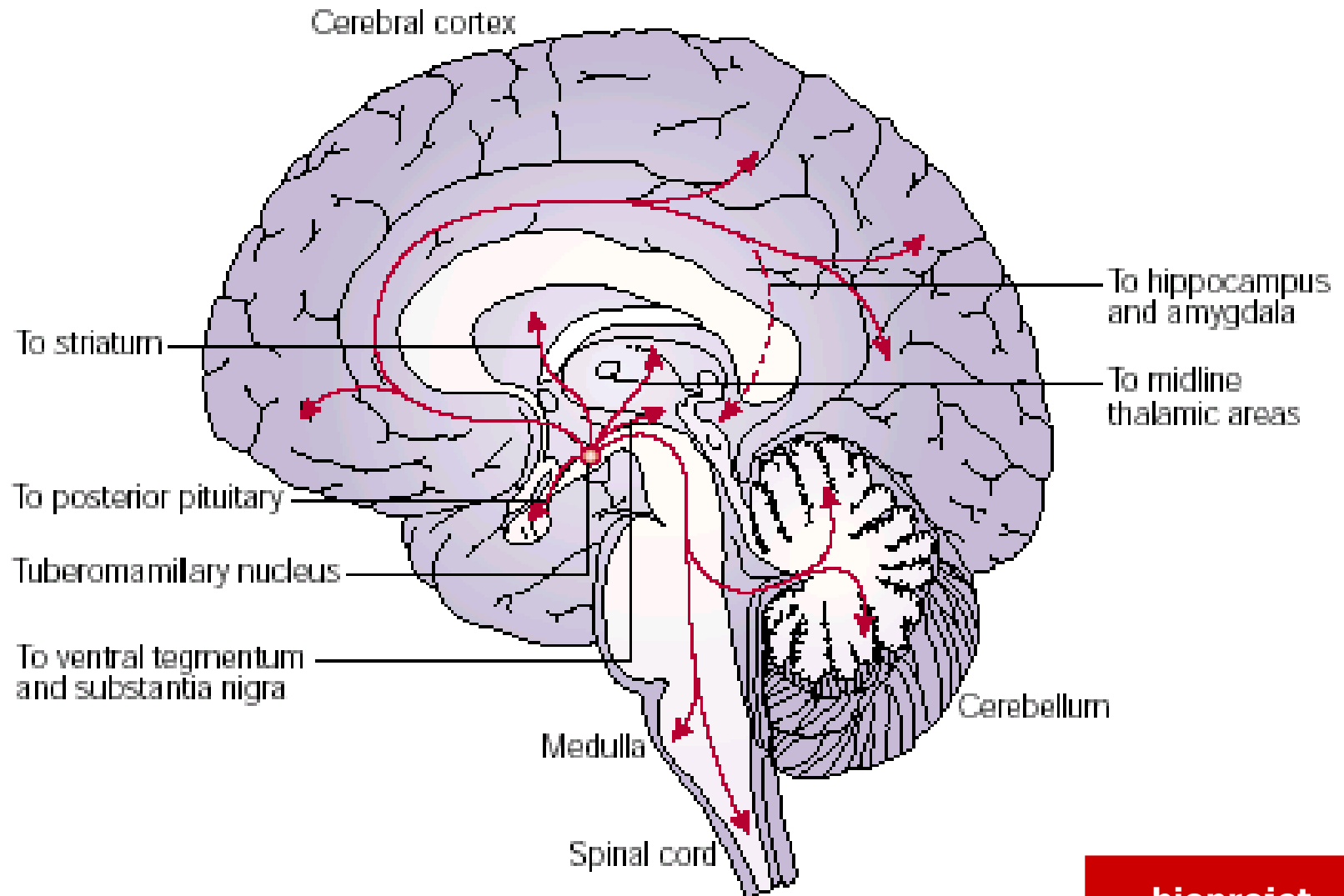
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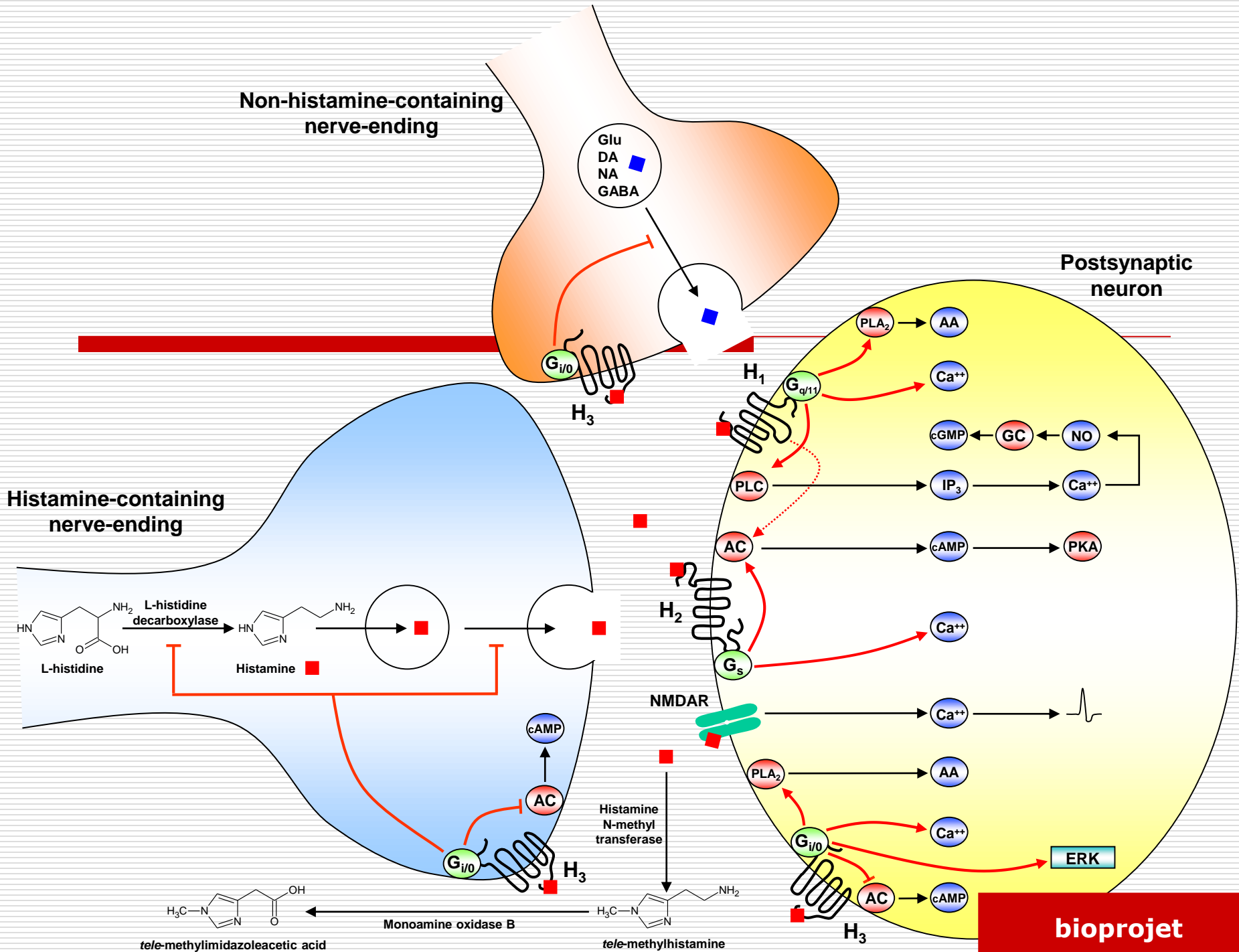
# De l'histamine comme neurotransmetteur cérébral à l'identification du récepteur H3

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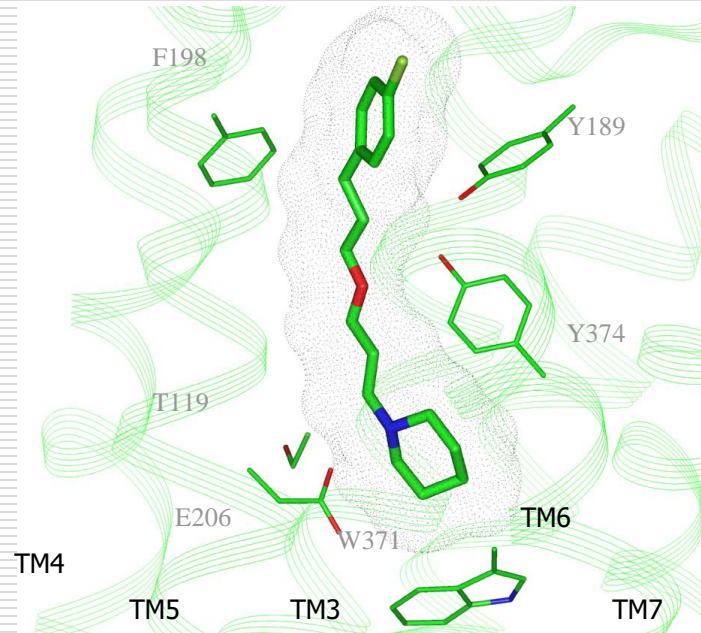
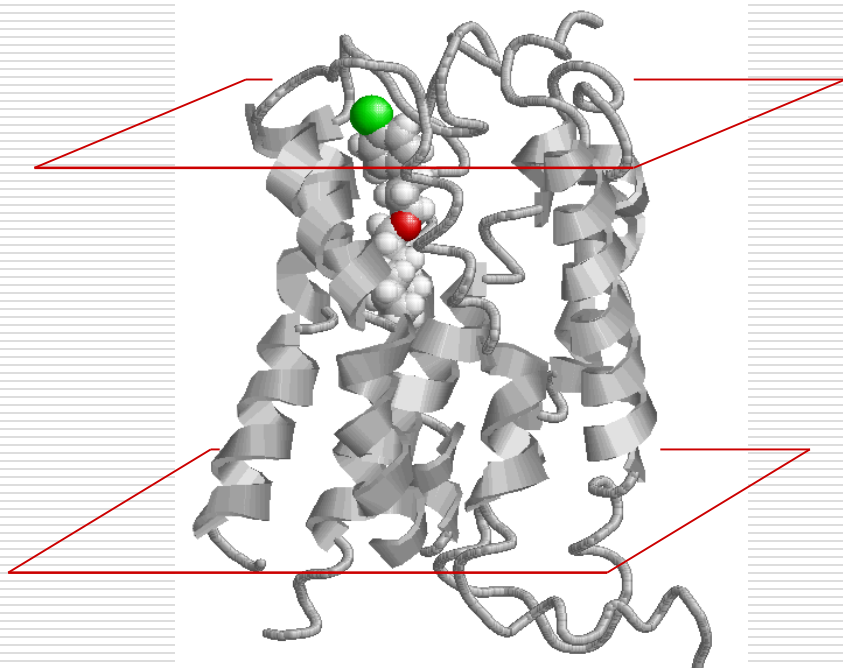
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# Le système neuronal histaminergique du cerveau

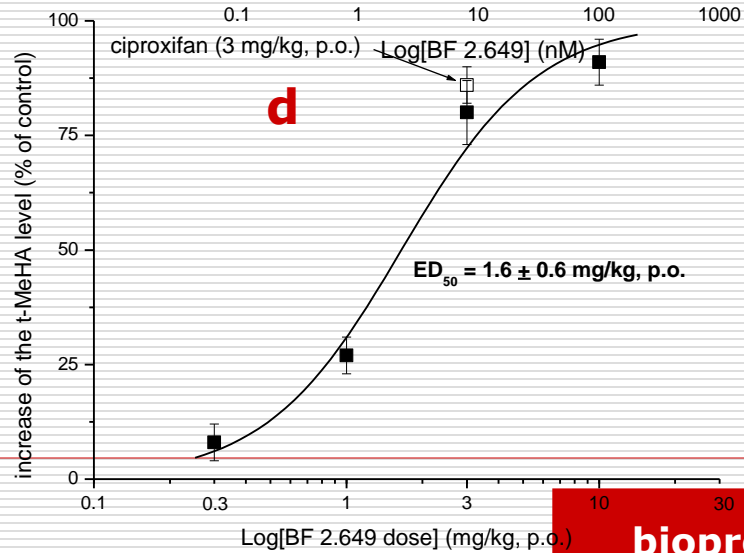
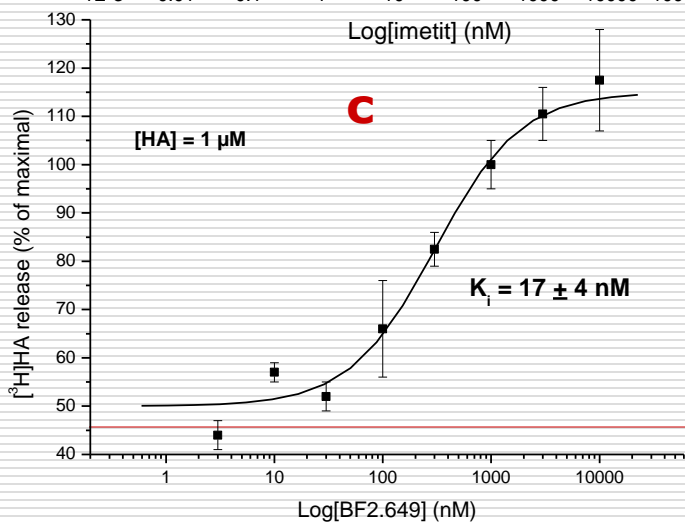
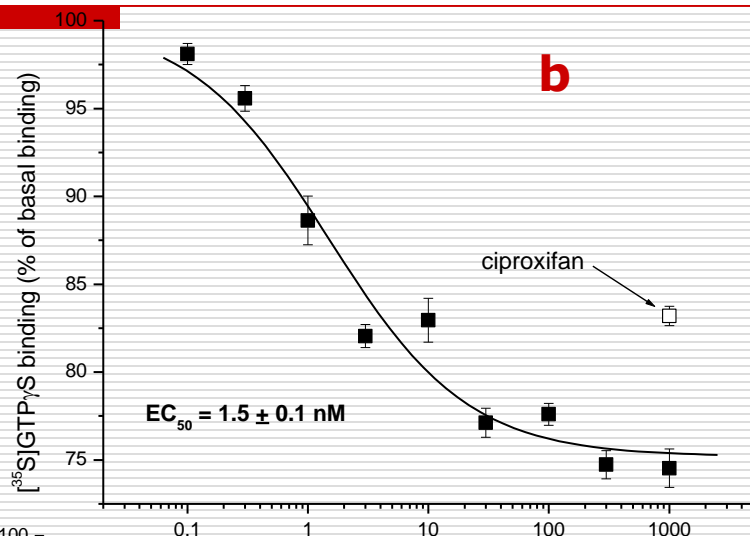
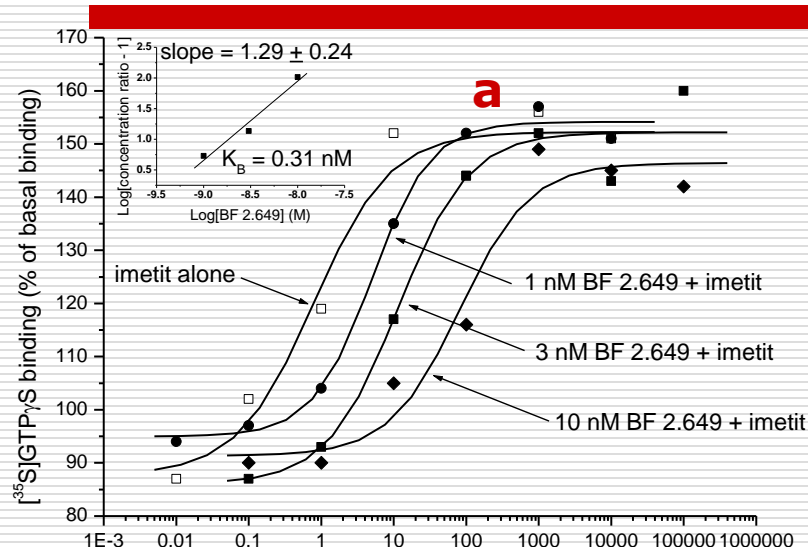




# Wakix® (pitolisant, BF2.649) dans un modèle du récepteur H3 de l'histamine



# Wakix, un antagoniste compétitif(a) et inverse agoniste(b) au hH<sub>3</sub>R, augmente la libération d'histamine par synaptosomes(c) et dans le cerveau de souris(d)

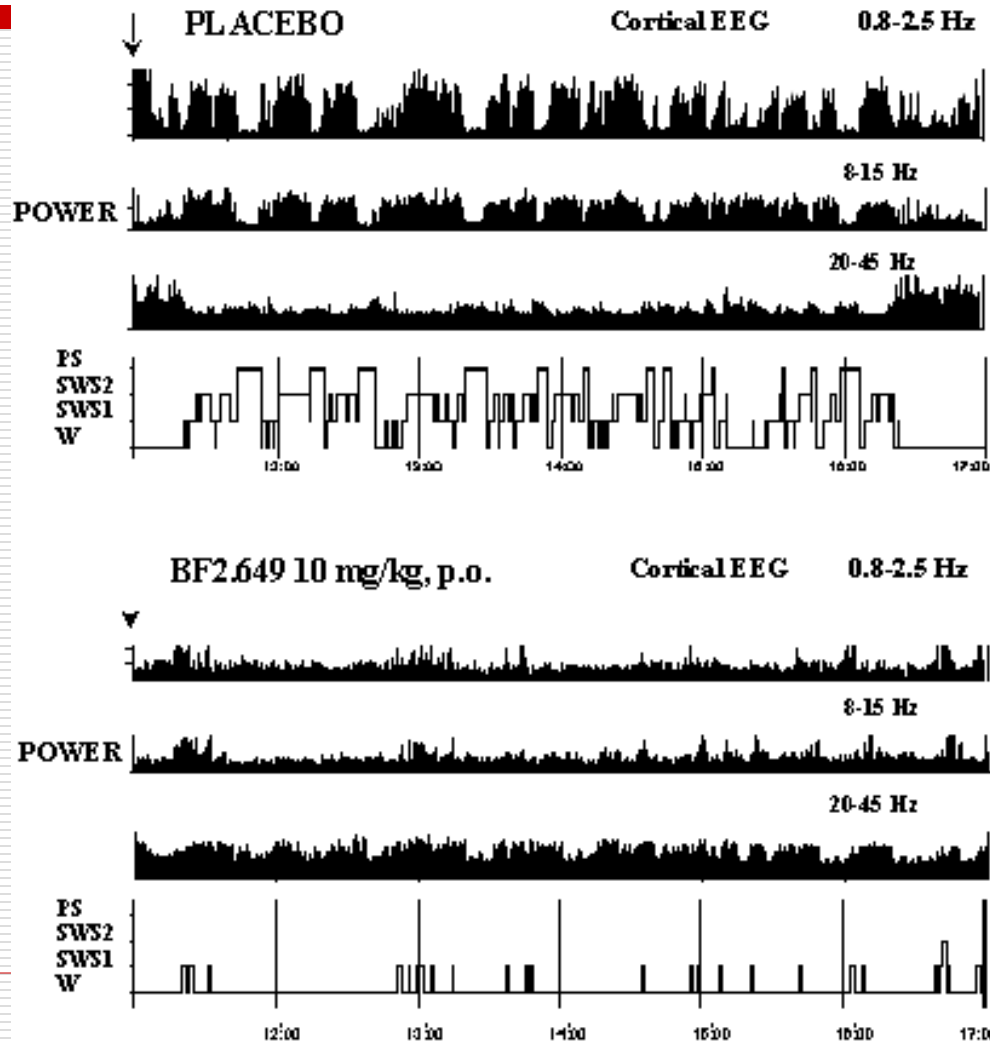


# Resumé de la pharmacologie de Wakix®

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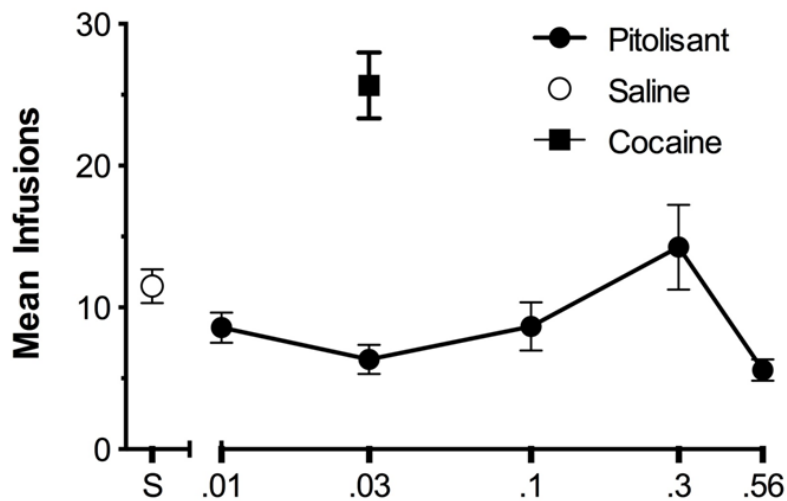
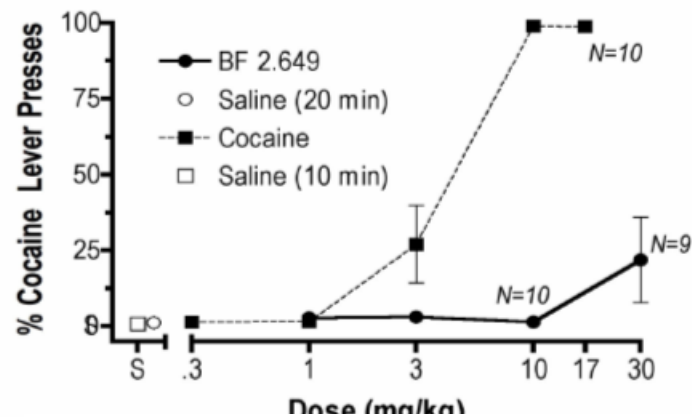
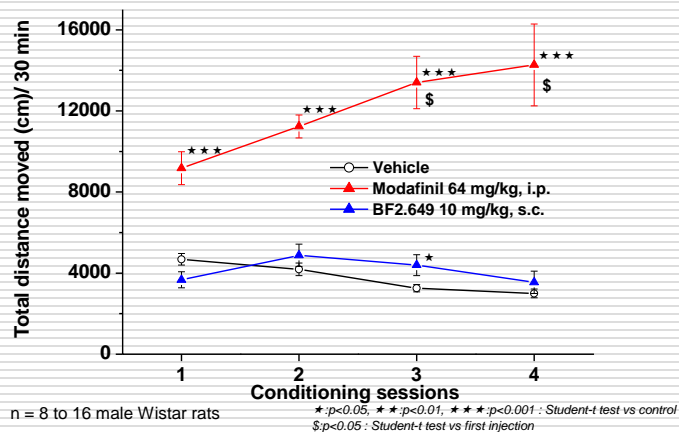
- ❑ Il augmente la libération d'histamine, noradrénaline, dopamine, acétylcholine dans le cortex préfrontal
- ❑ Il induit un éveil calme sans excitation locomotrice
- ❑ Il stimule l'attention et la mémorisation
- ❑ Chez la souris narcoleptique (orexine ko) il inhibe SOREMs et cataplexies
- ❑ Il n'induit pas de dépendance

# Wakix augmente l'éveil et les fréquences rapides de l'EEG chez le chat

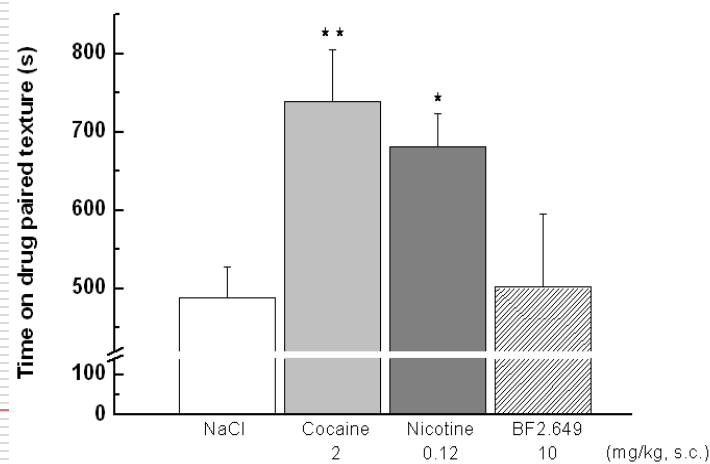




# Wakix, contrairement aux psychostimulants amphétaminiques, ne provoque pas de signes précliniques de dépendance



Conditioned place preference in male Wistar rats: effect of BF2.649



\*\*p<0.01, \*p<0.05 PLSD Fisher's test vs. NaCl group

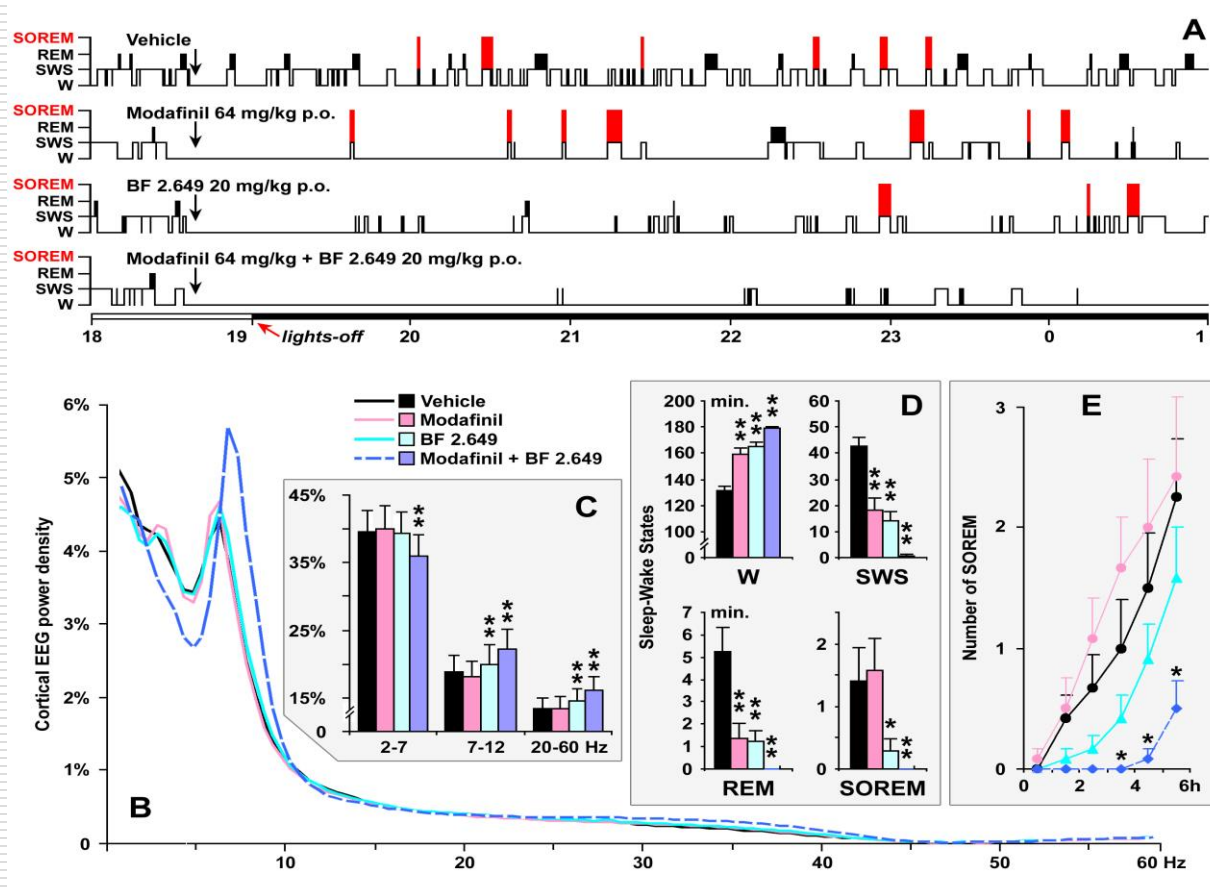
# Comment Wakix augmente l'éveil

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- Il active directement les neurones corticaux
- Il active les neurones thalamo-corticaux
- Il active les neurones cholinergiques, noradrenergiques et dopaminergiques projetant sur le cortex

**≥ toutes actions résultant de la stimulation des H1R**

# Effets de Wakix et/ou modafinil sur un modèle fidèle de narcolepsie: la souris orexin<sup>(-/-)</sup>



**Wakix, like modafinil, enhances wakefulness, but unlike modafinil, suppresses SOREM and cataplexies**

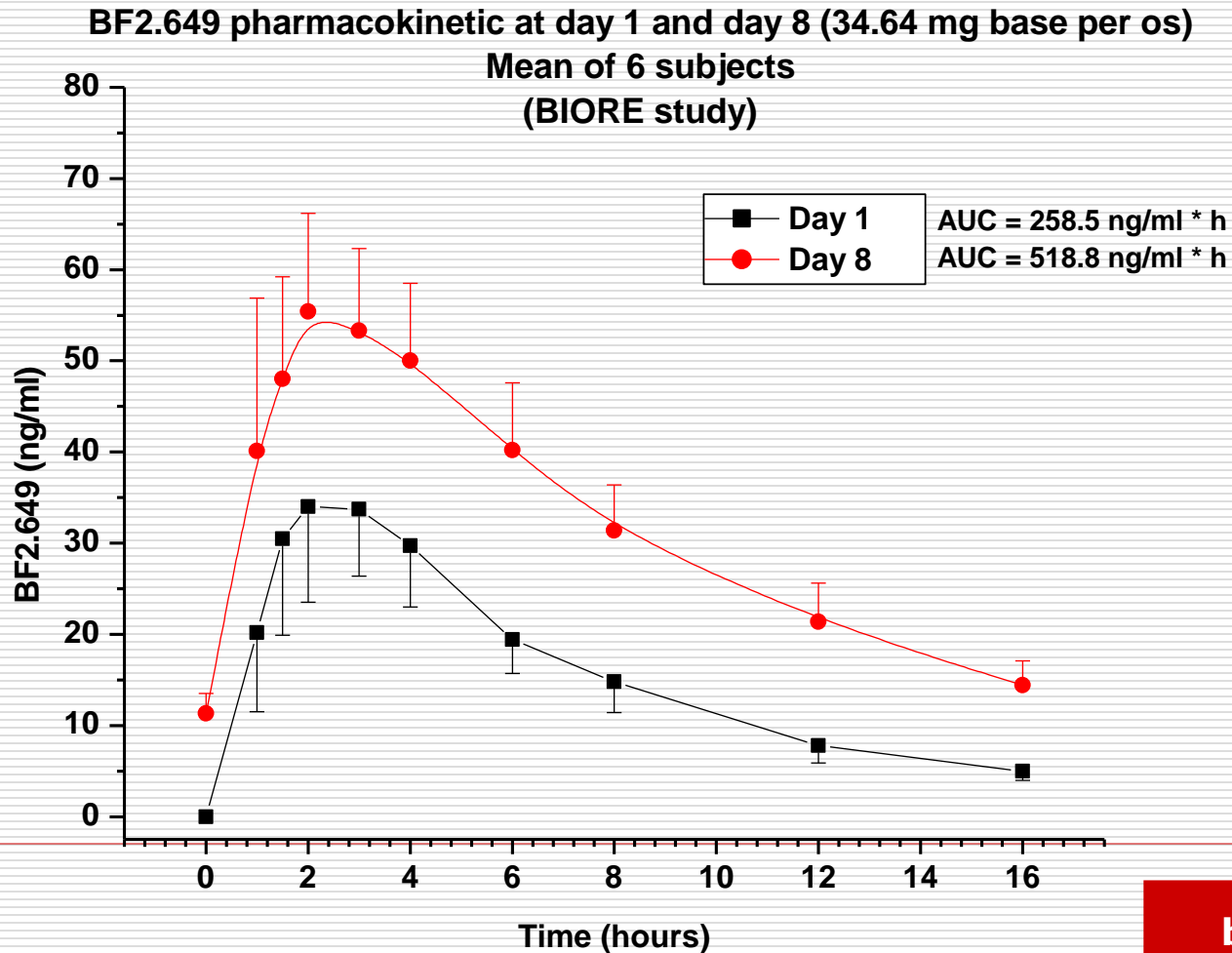
# Wakix: études de toxicologie

Study Type	Tested Doses (mg/kg)	Species	Nos./Sex	Study No
<b>Single Dose</b>				
Acute p.o.	50, 500	rat	10M/10F	T-264901
Acute p.o.	50, 500	mouse	10M/10F	T-264902
Acute i.v.	10, 12, 15, 20, 30	rat	5M/5F	T-264903
Acute i.v.	5, 10, 15, 20, 30	mouse	5M/5F	T-264904
MTD* p.o.	5, 35, 150, 250	rat	10M/10F	T-264906
MTD p.o.	30, 100, 300	mouse	3M	1009464
MTD i.p.	10, 30, 100	mouse	3M	1009464
<b>Repeat Dose, oral</b>				
7 day DRF**	15, 30, 60	dog	1M	CD01/7766T
7 day DRF	15, 30, 60, 80	monkey	1M	CD01/7766T
28 day DRF	40	monkey	1M/2F	CD01/7766T
13-weeks***	5, 30, 150 (100-75)	rat	10M/10F	T-264907
and 3-weeks off-dose	100-75	rat	10M/10F	T-264907
6 months <sup>+</sup>	5, 30, 60-75	Rat	20M/20F	DHHL1006
And 4 weeks off-dose	60	rat		DHHL1006
13-weeks***	5, 12, 30	monkey	4M/4F	CD01/7989T
and 4-weeks off-dose	30	monkey	2M/2F	CD01/7989T
9 months <sup>+</sup>	5, 12, 30	monkey	4M/4F	DHHL1005
4-weeks off-dose	30	monkey	2M/2F	DHHL1005
<b>Genotoxicity</b>				
Ames Test (± S9)	78.13 to 2500 µg/plate	Sal. Typh.		CD01/7754T
	39.06 to 1250 µg/plate	E. coli		
Mouse Lymphoma	2.5 to 55 µg/mL (-S9)	L5178Y		RCC-702800
	2.5 to 40 µg/mL (+S9)	L5178Y		
<i>In vivo</i> Micronucleus	150, p.o.	OF-1 mice	5M/5F	T-264905
<b>Reproduction toxicity</b>				
Fertility (segment I)	30, 52, 90	rat	24M/24F	RR04014401
embryotoxicity (segment II) <sup>+</sup>	30, 75, 100, 140, 180	rat	6 to 10F	CD049189T
Embryotoxicity (segment II) <sup>+</sup>	30, 67, 150	rabbit	21 to 23F	CD049172T
Pre- post-natal toxicity (segment III)	30, 52, 90	rat	21 to 23F	CD049189T

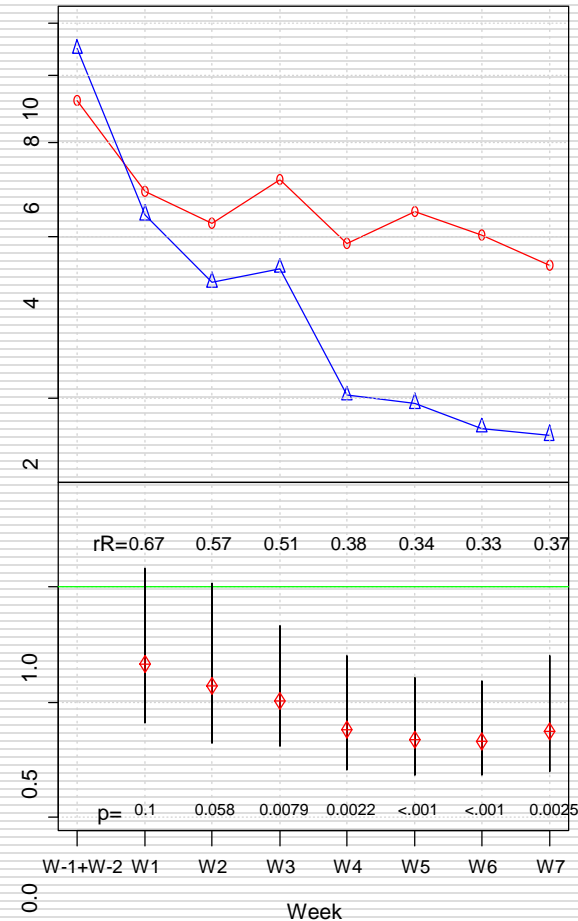
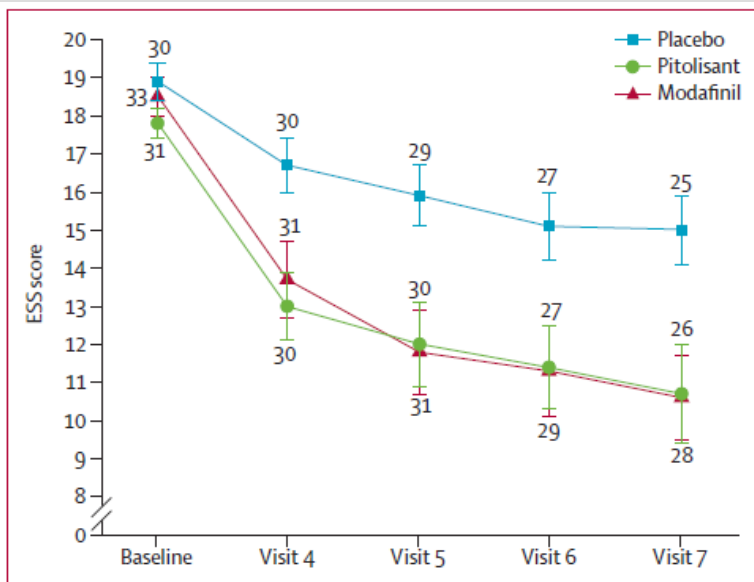
\*MTD = maximum tolerated dose. \*\*DRF = dose range finding. \*\*\* Toxicokinetics were performed concurrently with tested animals. + : Study on going

CNS: Central Nervous System; NR: not requested at this stage

# Phase I de Wakix: dose unique vs dose répétée



# Deux études pivotales de Wakix dans la narcolepsie: scores d'Epworth et de cataplexie



# Indications potentielles des agonistes inverses du H3R

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## *Indications explorées*

- Apnée du sommeil
- Maladie de Parkinson
- Démences
- Schizophrénie
- ADHD

## *Indications restant à explorer*

- Dépression
- Alcool-dépendance
- Autisme

# Principales collaborations

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