Dopamine D1 Receptor Agonist PET Tracer Development: Assessment in Non-Human Primates

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ABSTRACT

Objective: Non-catechol based high affinity selective dopamine D1 receptor (D1R) agonists were recently described, and candidate PET ligands were selected based on favorable properties. The objective of this study was to characterize *in vivo* in non-human primates two novel D1R agonist PET radiotracers, racemic ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and its more active atropisomeric (-)-enantiomer ¹⁸F-MNI-968.

Methods: Ten brain PET experiments were conducted with ¹⁸F-MNI-800 in two adult rhesus macaques and two adult cynomolgus macaques, and eight brain PET experiments were conducted with ¹⁸F-MNI-968 in two adult rhesus macaques and two adult cynomolgus macaques. PET data were analyzed with both plasma-input and reference-region based methods. Whole-body PET images were acquired with ¹⁸F-MNI-800 for radiation dosimetry estimates in two adult rhesus macaques.

Results: ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 exhibited regional uptake consistent with D1 receptor distribution. Specificity and selectivity were demonstrated by dose-dependent blocking with the D1 antagonist SCH-23390. ¹⁸F-MNI-968 showed a 30% higher specific signal compared to ¹⁸F-MNI-800, with a binding potential BP_{ND} of ~0.3 in the cortex and ~1.1 in the striatum. Dosimetry radiation exposure was favorable, with an effective dose of ~0.023 mSv/MBq.

Conclusion: ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (¹⁸F-PF-0110) has significant potential as a D1R agonist PET radiotracer, and further characterization in human subjects is warranted.

INTRODUCTION

Dopamine D1 receptors (D1R) are the most abundant dopamine receptor subtype in the brain and the primary subtype in the prefrontal cortex (1,2), and are exclusively found post-synaptically on dopamine receptive neurons (medium spiny neurons in the striatum and pyramidal neurons in prefrontal cortex). Despite its extensive brain distribution, D1R interest has dropped behind other subtypes, especially D2 receptors, due in part to the lack of D1R-selective agents that would facilitate a greater understanding of this target.

Dihydrexidine, the first high affinity catechol based selective full D1R agonist, demonstrated the therapeutic potential of D1R-selective ligands in schizophrenia (alleviation of cognitive deficit and negative symptoms (3)) and Parkinson's disease (anti-parkinsonian action in MPTP-treated primate model (4)). The recent introduction of non-catechol based high affinity selective D1R agonists has revived interest in this target (5-9).

The development of *in vivo* imaging techniques has proven extremely valuable to elucidate disease pathology and progression, and advancement of target specific therapies. Several PET radiotracers for D1R have been developed, mainly the antagonists ¹¹C-NNC-112 (*10*), ¹¹C-SCH-23390 (*11*), ¹¹C-A-69024 (*12*), the partial agonist ¹¹C-*N*-methyl-NNC 01-0259 (*13*), and the agonist ¹¹C-SKF 82957 (*14*). However, ¹¹C-SCH-23390 and ¹¹C-NNC-112 suffer from selectivity against 5-HT2a (*15*), and ¹¹C-*N*-methyl-NNC 01-0259 and ¹¹C-SKF 82957 have brain-penetrating radio-metabolites (*13,14*). Moreover, D1Rs exhibit both high and low affinity states, where agonists preferentially bind to the high affinity active state while antagonists do not discriminate between the two states. Therefore, development of a full D1R agonist PET tracer could provide important *in vivo* functional information and be a useful imaging tool to assess D1R agonists.

Two novel D1R agonists from a non-catechol chemotype discovered by Pfizer were selected based on favorable properties as potential PET ligands. The objective of this study was to characterize these two D1R agonist PET radiotracers, racemic ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (¹⁸F-PF-8477) and the atropisomeric (-)-enantiomer ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (¹⁸F-PF-0110), *in vivo* in non-human primates (NHP). We assessed their brain distribution and kinetic profile, specificity of the signal in pre-blocking studies with a D1R antagonist and partial agonist, test-retest variability assessment, and estimation of radiation dosimetry of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (¹⁸F-PF-8477).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

In Vitro Pharmacology and PET Properties of Novel Non-Catechol D1R Agonists

The identification of a suitable PET ligand was guided by a set of PET properties to find a D1R selective agonist that resides within favorable physicochemical property space defined by CNS PET multiparameter optimization (MPO) score (>3) (*16*), and shows potent binding affinity to D1R receptor ($B_{max}/K_d > 10$), high passive permeability (RRCK $P_{app} AB > 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm/s}$), low p-glycoprotein (Pgp) efflux (MDR1 BA/AB ≤ 2.5), and sufficient fraction unbound in brain (cFu_b > 0.05) for low non-specific binding.

Initially, racemate PF-8477 (MNI-800) and subsequently its (-)-enantiomer PF-0110 (MNI-968), a non-catechol D1R agonist from a chemotype developed by Pfizer (7), emerged as a promising PET ligand lead with a benzyl fluoride moiety for late-stage fluorine-18 radiolabeling (Figure 1, Supplemental Scheme 1).

Indeed, PF-0110 (MNI-968) has a potent binding affinity to human D1R receptor ($K_i = 2$ nM), and minimal species differences in rat ($K_i = 8$ nM) and NHP ($K_i = 2$ nM). Given a D1R B_{max} in human and NHP striatum of ~52 pmol/g tissue (~52 nM assuming 100 mg protein/g tissue) (17),

a desired $B_{max}/K_d > 10$ corresponds to a binding affinity < 5 nM, indicating that PF-0110 (MNI-968) meets this affinity requirement. Moreover, unlike other known D1R antagonist radiotracers (SCH-23390 and NNC-112), PF-0110 (MNI-968) is a potent D1R functional agonist with an EC₅₀ of 5 nM and 96% E_{max}. Finally, PF-0110 (MNI-968) showed selectivity for D1R over other dopamine receptors with no appreciable binding to human D2, D3 and D4 receptors (IC₅₀ > 10 μ M).

In addition to its favorable in vitro pharmacology profile, PF-0110 (MNI-968) met all the PET ligand property parameters: high CNS PET MPO score (3.57), good passive permeability (RRCK $P_{app} AB = 21.6 \text{ x } 10^{-6} \text{ cm/s}$), low Pgp efflux (MDR1 BA/AB = 1.46), and reasonable fraction unbound in brain (cF_{u_b} = 0.06) suggesting low risk of non-specific binding. Details on the synthesis of PF-0110 (MNI-968) and PF-8477 (MNI-800) are provided in the supplementary materials.

Radiochemistry of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (¹⁸F-PF-8477) and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (¹⁸F-PF-0110)

All ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 radiolabeling reactions were performed using a GE TRACERlab FX-FN automated synthesis module using the Boc-protected benzyl chloride precursor (Figure 2, MNI-799 or MNI-969).

For ¹⁸F-MNI-800, the two-step, one-pot production with the racemic precursor MNI-799 afforded sufficiently high yields (15-35%) with high radiochemical purity (> 95%), chemical purity (< $0.20 \mu g/mL$) and specific activity (> 220 GBq/µmol).

For ¹⁸F-MNI-968, it proved too difficult to confidently control the undesired racemization of the enantiopure precursor MNI-969, and the procedure was modified. First, an in-process chiral high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) separation step with inclusion of a chiral

column before the C18 reverse phase column provided sequential separation of the desired atropisomer followed by mass purification. Second, the radiolabeling solvent was changed to acetonitrile as DMSO was not compatible with the chiral stationary phase. Beyond these two changes, ¹⁸F-MNI-968 process was similar to ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and provided the desired product in expected lower yields (5-15%) and acceptable chemical profile (radiochemical purity > 95%, chemical purity < 0.10 μ g/mL, and specific activity > 75 GBq/ μ mol). Atropisomeric purity was assessed to confirm enantiopurities > 99% at the end of synthesis, throughout storage in solution, and prior to injection.

Details on the radiosynthesis of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 are provided in the supplementary materials.

Animals

All experiments were conducted in accordance with the United States Public Health Service's Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and with institutional approval (Yale PET Center, New Haven, CT and Charles River Laboratories, Mattawan, MI). Adult rhesus macaques (*Macaca mulatta*, 2 females (7.6 ± 1.4 kg, NHP A and B) and 1 male (19.6 ± 3.0 kg, NHP C)) and cynomolgus macaques (*Macaca fascicularis*, 3 males, 5.0 ± 0.4 kg, NHP D-F) were studied. Animals were anesthetized with intramuscular ketamine and given glycopyrrolate to reduce secretions, transferred to the camera, and intubated for continuous anesthesia with ~2.5% isoflurane. Radiotracer was injected 2 hours after administration of anesthetics to allow for stabilization of the animals' physiology. Body temperature was maintained by a heated water blanket and monitored with a rectal thermometer.

Blocking Agent Preparation and Administration

SCH-23390 (Sigma-Aldrich, R(+)-SCH-23390 hydrochloride) and PF-2562 (8,9) are potent, selective D1R antagonist and partial agonist, respectively. SCH-23390 was dissolved in normal saline. PF-2562 was dissolved in 5% ethanol, 5% cremophor and 18.5% sulfobutylether- β -cyclodextrin in sterile water.

Receptor occupancy experiments were performed with ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and 4 doses of SCH-23390 (0.03, 0.1, 0.2 and 0.5 mg/kg) administered intravenously over a 20-min period beginning 25 min before the radiotracer injection, and with ¹⁸F-MNI-968 and 1 dose of PF-2562 in duplicate (1.2 mg/kg total dose) administered intravenously over a 120-min period beginning 30 min before tracer injection (bolus of 0.121 mg/kg/min for 3 min followed by infusion of 0.007 mg/kg/min for 117 min). Plasma samples were taken at several time-points during each PET scan.

Brain PET Studies

PET scans were performed on a Siemens Focus 220 microPET camera (Siemens Healthcare Molecular Imaging, Knoxville, TN, USA) after intravenous bolus administration of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (170.5 ± 16.5 MBq, $0.28 \pm 0.22 \mu g$) or ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (158.0 ± 29.1 MBq, $0.47 \pm 0.22 \mu g$). Ten scans were done with ¹⁸F-MNI-800, and eight scans were done with ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (see Table 1 for details). Test and retest scans were separated by 2 weeks for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and 4 months for ¹⁸F-MNI-968. The dynamic series were reconstructed using filtered back projection with corrections for random, scatter, and attenuation.

Arterial Input Function. After tracer administration, radial artery blood samples were collected over 2 hours. Radioactivity in whole blood and plasma was measured in all samples.

Radio-metabolites were measured in a subset of samples by reverse-phase HPLC performed on a Phenomenex Luna C18(2) (10 x 250 mm, 10 μ m) at a flow rate of 4 mL/min. The mobile phase consisted of a mixture of methanol / water with 0.2% of triethylamine in a 65/35 ratio. Plasma samples were processed by acetonitrile denaturation, and plasma protein binding free fraction (f_p) was measured by ultrafiltration (Centrifree®, Millipore).

Image Processing. PET images were analyzed in PMOD 3.609 (PMOD Technologies, Zurich, Switzerland) and were frame-by-frame motion corrected when necessary. The initial PET images (15 min) were averaged and aligned onto a rhesus or cynomolgus structural T1-weighted MRI template and the transformation matrix applied to the whole PET series. A volume of interest (VOI) atlas (including the caudate, putamen, globus pallidus, nucleus accumbens, thalamus, cortical regions, and cerebellum) was applied to the PET series in MRI rhesus or cynomolgus template space to extract the regional time activity curves. Curves were expressed in SUV (standardized uptake value) by normalizing the activity concentration by the injected dose and animal body weight.

Kinetic Modeling and Analysis. Time–activity curves were analyzed with one-tissue (1T) and two-tissue (2T) compartment models (*18*), and Logan graphical analysis (LGA) (*19*) using the arterial plasma input function corrected for radio-metabolites to derive the volume of distribution (V_T) and the influx rate constant K₁ in each region. The binding potential BP_{ND} was estimated using the cerebellum as reference region: $BP_{ND} = V_T/V_{ND} - 1$, V_T and V_{ND} being the distribution volumes in the target region (specific and non-displaceable binding) and reference region (non-displaceable binding), respectively (*20*). In addition, BP_{ND} was directly derived from the

Simplified Reference Tissue Model (SRTM) (21), and non-invasive Logan graphical analysis (NI-LGA) (19) with the cerebellum as reference region. All kinetic analyses were performed using PMOD 3.609. Test-retest variability for V_T and BP_{ND} was estimated as ABS (test - retest) / AVERAGE (test + retest).

The D1R occupancy (Occ) produced by SCH-23390 or PF-2562 was determined as the percent change of BP_{ND}: $Occ = (BP_{ND}^{baseline} - BP_{ND}^{drug})/BP_{ND}^{baseline}$. The SCH-23390 plasma-occupancy curves for the striatum (putamen and caudate) were fitted in GraphPad Prism (version 6.01, GraphPad Software, San Diego, CA, USA) with a single specific binding site model: $Occ = Occ_{max} \times C/(C + EC_{50})$, where Occ_{max} is the maximum occupancy, EC₅₀ represents SCH-23390 plasma level for 50% occupancy and C represents SCH-23390 average plasma level during the scan.

¹⁸F-MNI-800 Whole-Body PET Studies

Two adult rhesus monkeys (*Macaca mulatta*), 1 male and 1 female, were used for wholebody PET imaging from head to mid-thigh over 4 hours on a Biograph mCT PET/CT camera (Siemens Healthcare Molecular Imaging, Knoxville, TN, USA) following intravenous bolus injection of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 to determine the biodistribution and estimate radiation absorbed doses.

PET images were imported into PMOD and VOIs were drawn on source organs. Radiation absorbed dose and effective dose (ICRP-60) were estimated with OLINDA/EXM 1.0 (Organ Level Internal Dose Assessment) software (22) according to the male or female model. ICRP-30 gastrointestinal model was used with the assumption that activity entered the gastrointestinal tract through the small intestine (fraction of activity entering the intestine was estimated as the highest fraction encountered in the intestinal area).

RESULTS

Plasma Analysis

HPLC analysis of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 arterial plasma revealed one major radiometabolite with one minor metabolite eluting just after the first one (whose contribution remained small throughout the study), with both metabolites more polar than the parent compound. No difference was observed between rhesus and cynomolgus macaques and the results were pooled across the two species. ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 showed similar moderate metabolic profile, with about 60-70% and 40-50% of intact parent remaining at 30 min and 120 min post injection respectively (Figure 3). Plasma parent f_p measured by ultrafiltration was 13.4 ± 1.3 % (n=4) for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and 13.5 ± 1.5 % (n=4) for ¹⁸F-MNI-968.

Brain Uptake Distribution and Time Activity Curves

Representative average ¹⁸F-MNI-968 and ¹⁸F-MNI-800 PET images in a rhesus macaque at baseline show highest uptake in the striatum, consistent with known D1R distribution (Figure 4, left). ¹⁸F-MNI-800 PET image after SCH-23390 pre-block (0.5 mg/kg) demonstrates almost complete saturation. ¹⁸F-MNI-968 and ¹⁸F-MNI-800 time-activity curves at baseline and after SCH-23390 (0.5 mg/kg) or PF-2562 (1.2 mg/kg) pre-block are presented in Figure 4 (right) in the same rhesus macaque. Both ¹⁸F-MNI-968 and ¹⁸F-MNI-800 readily entered the brain, with SUV peak uptake at 5–10 min after injection. Highest signal is noted in the putamen and caudate nucleus, followed by the globus pallidus and nucleus accumbens, with lowest uptake consistently found in the cerebellum. Clear blocking of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 or ¹⁸F-MNI-968 uptake is seen after pre-block with SCH-23390 (0.5 mg/kg, occupancy of ~85%) or PF-2562 (1.2 mg/kg, occupancy of

 \sim 40%), respectively. Higher uptake is also observed for ¹⁸F-MNI-968 compared to ¹⁸F-MNI-800 particularly in the putamen and caudate nucleus, while maintaining a similar profile in the cerebellum.

Kinetic Analysis

2T was favored for both ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 data over 1T based on the Akaike information criterion (data not shown). Typical 2T and SRTM fits as well as Logan plots (LGA with t*=15min, and NI-LGA with t*=10min) are provided in Figure 5 for a baseline study in rhesus macaque with ¹⁸F-MNI-968. SRTM determined k'₂ to be 0.17 ± 0.04 min⁻¹ (n=4) for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and 0.16 ± 0.02 min⁻¹ (n=5) for ¹⁸F-MNI-968, and these SRTM estimates of k'₂ were used for the NI-LGA fit.

Within-animal comparison (n=2) between ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 V_T estimates (2T model) is shown in Figure 6A, and indicates a higher specific signal for ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (negative y-intercept) and same target/B_{max} for both tracers (linearity of the relationship) (23). Since the free fraction f_p was similar for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 , the slope corresponds to the *in vivo* affinities ratio and predicts a dissociation constant K_D about 1.3 times higher for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (23). Furthermore, V_T in the cerebellum was 1.83 ± 0.06 mL/cm³ for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 compared to 1.87 ± 0.01 mL/cm³ for ¹⁸F-MNI-968, demonstrating a similar non-displaceable signal for both tracers, with a relationship for the binding potential BP_{ND} (2T model) for the within-animal studies: BP_{ND} (MNI-968) = $1.29 \times BP_{ND}$ (MNI-800) + 0.006.

Figure 6B and 6C show comparison of V_T and BP_{ND} across methods for ¹⁸F-MNI-968, demonstrating very good agreement between the different estimates (R²=0.99), in particular for BP_{ND} between plasma-based and reference region-based methods, with points lining almost on the identity line. Similar results were obtained for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (data not shown). A summary of V_T and BP_{ND} for the different methods is provided in a subset of regions in Table 2 for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (n=4) and in Table 3 for ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (n=3 for 2T and LGA, and n=5 for SRTM and NI-LGA). Additional kinetic parameters for 2T are provided in Supplemental Tables 1-2. V_T ranged from \sim 1.9 ± 0.1 mL/cm³ in the cerebellum (similar estimates for both tracers) to \sim 3.7 ± 0.3 mL/cm³ and \sim 4.3 ± 0.2 mL/cm³ in the putamen for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968, respectively. BP_{ND} ranged from \sim 0.2 in the cortex to \sim 0.9 in the putamen for ¹⁸F-MNI-800, and from \sim 0.3 in the cortex to \sim 1.1-1.2 in the putamen for ¹⁸F-MNI-968, confirming an average specific signal higher by \sim 30%. K₁ (2T model) was similar across regions, animals, and tracers with K₁ = 0.23 ± 0.03 mL.cm⁻³.min⁻¹ for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and K₁ = 0.27 ± 0.06 mL.cm⁻³.min⁻¹ for ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (Supplemental Tables 1-2).

Test-retest variability was assessed in a limited number of repeat studies for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (n=2) and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (n=1). Results are summarized in Supplemental Tables 3-4 for the different methods used. Variability of $V_{\rm T}$ estimates was low in all regions and both tracers (< 10%), while that of $BP_{\rm ND}$ in the striatum remained low for ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (<5%) and somewhat higher for ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (~15%) for which however test and retest scans were separated by 4 months.

SCH-23390 Occupancy Studies

Pre-blocking with SCH-23390 increased the measured occupancies in a dose-dependent fashion, and reduced the ¹⁸F-MNI-800 uptake to levels close to those in the cerebellum at the highest dose tested (Figure 4), supporting the specificity and selectivity of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 for D1R, with measured occupancies of ~85% and ~60% at the two highest SCH-23390 doses of 0.5 and 0.2 mg/kg, respectively.

SCH-23390 plasma levels during the pre-block studies are shown in Figure 7A, and the relationship between the measured D1R occupancy and the average plasma levels during the PET imaging (25 to 145 min post administration of SCH-23390) is shown in Figure 7B for the various analysis methods used, where the maximum occupancy was constrained to 100%. All methods produced similar occupancy measurements, with slightly lower estimates for 2T at the two lowest SCH-23390 doses, with consistent estimated EC₅₀ ranging from 6.0 ± 1.0 ng/mL for NI-LGA to 8.5 ± 1.0 ng/mL for 2T (average ~7 ng/mL).

¹⁸F-MNI-800 Dosimetry

Whole-body studies showed that the elimination of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 takes place mainly via the hepatobiliary route. The urinary bladder, gallbladder and liver were determined to be the critical organs with the highest absorbed dose (Supplemental Table 5). The whole-body effective dose (ED) was estimated to be 0.025 mSv/MBq for the female and 0.021 mSv/MBq for the male rhesus, in line with other ¹⁸F-labelled tracers (e.g. 0.019 mSv/MBq for fluorodeoxyglucose ¹⁸F-FDG (*24*)).

DISCUSSION

Both ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and its active atropisomeric (-)-enantiomer ¹⁸F-MNI-968 demonstrated high brain penetration in monkey brain with uptake distribution in agreement with the known D1R distribution. Blood profiles were highly similar, with almost identical metabolism rate and free fraction f_p (~13%).

SCH-23390 has a 5-HT2a component (15), however the density of 5-HT2a receptors in the striatum is negligible compared to D1R. Therefore, SCH-23390 pre-blocking studies confirmed

the specificity and selectivity of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 for D1R over other targets in the striatum, which is expected to hold true for ¹⁸F-MNI-968 as it is one enantiomer. Absolute selectivity against 5-HT2a receptors could be tested further by a challenge with the selective 5-HT2a antagonist MDL 100907. These studies also confirmed the choice of the cerebellum as a reference region for non-invasive methods, BP_{ND} calculations and occupancy measurements since the signal in this region was not blocked. This is also supported by a V_{ND} estimate from occupancy plots of 2.0 ± 0.1 (data not shown) (25), in very good agreement with V_T of 1.9 ± 0.1 in the cerebellum (Table 2). Assuming passive diffusion through the blood brain barrier, the tissue free fraction can be calculated from the measured f_P and V_{ND} above (20), giving f_{ND} ~ 7%, in close agreement with cFu_{-b} of 6%. Finally, the agreement in the occupancy estimates between the plasma-based and reference-region-based methods suggests that D1R occupancy can be quantitatively assessed in monkeys using SRTM or NI-LGA, without the need for arterial sampling.

BP_{ND} in human and NHP was reported to be ~0.4-0.6 in the cortex and ~2.0-3.0 in the striatum for ¹¹C-SCH-23390 and ~0.6-0.8 in the cortex and ~3.0-4.0 in the striatum for ¹¹C-NNC-112 (*15,26-28*), which is higher than the values reported here for ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (~0.3 in the cortex and ~1.1 in the striatum, Table 3). Also, BP_{ND} variability in humans was reported as ~10-15% in the cortex and ~5.0-10% in the striatum for both ¹¹C-SCH-23390 and ¹¹C-NNC-112 (*27,29*), marginally better than that reported here (Supplemental Table 3), although we assessed the variability in a limited number of animals. However, both ¹¹C-SCH-23390 and ¹¹C-NNC-112 are antagonist radioligands, and cannot therefore provide information regarding the high or low affinity state of D1R, and both suffer from a 5-HT2a signal in the cortex which represents about 20-30% of the total signal (*15,26*). Therefore, further evaluation and characterization of ¹⁸F-MNI-

968 in human subjects is warranted as the tracer could prove to be a valuable tool in Parkinson's disease (9) and in psychiatric disorders such as schizophrenia (8).

CONCLUSION

We report herein the evaluation of racemate ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and its (-)-enantiomer ¹⁸F-MNI-968 in NHP. Both tracers had regional uptake consistent with D1R distribution. The selectivity and specificity of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 for D1R were demonstrated against SCH-23390 or PF-2562, selective D1R antagonist and partial agonist, respectively. Non-invasive quantification of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 with SRTM or Logan graphical analysis using the cerebellum as a reference is possible, particularly for occupancy studies. ¹⁸F-MNI-800 dosimetry, and putatively that of ¹⁸F-MNI-968, is favorable, with an effective dose consistent with values reported for other PET radiotracers. Therefore, ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (¹⁸F-PF-0110) has great potential as a D1R agonist PET radiotracer and warrants further characterization in human subjects.

KEY POINTS

Question: Does agonist PET tracer ¹⁸F-MNI-968 show suitable properties and specific binding to quantify D1 dopamine receptor?

Pertinent Findings: ¹⁸F-MNI-968, the atropisomeric (-)-enantiomer, showed suitable in vitro pharmacology profile, high brain uptake, favorable kinetics and specific binding that was blocked by selective D1R antagonist and partial agonist.

Implications for Patient Care: ¹⁸F-MNI-968 has potential as an agonist PET radioligand to quantify D1 receptors in high affinity state in human brains, particularly in neurological and psychiatric disorders.

DISCLOSURE

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FIGURES



FIGURE 1: Profile of D1R agonist PET ligand lead PF-0110 (MNI-968).



FIGURE 2: Radiosynthesis of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (¹⁸F-PF-8477) and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (¹⁸F-PF-0110).



FIGURE 3: Parent fraction profile in arterial plasma after intravenous administration of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (mean \pm SD, n = 4) or ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (mean \pm SD, n = 4).



FIGURE 4: Left: average PET images from 30-90 min post-injection for a rhesus macaque (NHP A) in transverse plane of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (top row) at baseline and post-dosing with SCH-23390 at 0.5 mg/kg (occupancy of ~85%) and of ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (bottom row) at baseline and post-dosing with PF-2562 at 1.2 mg/kg (occupancy of ~40%). Right: time activity curves in some brain regions for the same rhesus macaque for the studies with ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (top row) and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (bottom row).



FIGURE 5: Representative time activity curves at baseline for a rhesus macaque (NHP B) in some brain regions following bolus injection of ¹⁸F-MNI-968, showing (A) 2T compartment model fits and (C) SRTM fits. Graphical analysis with (B) LGA with plasma input function (t*=15 min) and (D) NI-LGA with reference region input function (t*=10 min).



FIGURE 6: (A) Within-animal comparison (n=2) of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 2T V_T estimates. (B) Comparison of ¹⁸F-MNI-968 V_T estimates across models (n=3). (C) Comparison of ¹⁸F-MNI-968 BP_{ND} estimates across models (n=3).



FIGURE 7: (A) SCH-23390 plasma levels for the four doses, with ¹⁸F-MNI-800 injection at 25 min post drug administration. (B) Striatal D₁ receptor occupancy against average plasma levels between 25-145 min post administration of SCH-23390.

TABLES

TABLE 1	. Summary	of scans	with	¹⁸ F-MNI-800	or ¹⁸]	F-MNI-968.
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NHP	¹⁸ F-MNI-800 (scans of 120 min)	¹⁸ F-MNI-968 (scans of 120 or [*] 90 min)		
Rhesus: A	Test, Retest, SCH23390 (0.5 and 0.1 mg/kg)	Test, *Retest, *PF-2562 (1.2 mg/kg)		
D	Test, Retest, SCH23390 (0.2 and 0.03 mg/kg),			
В	Dosimetry	Baseline		
C	Dosimetry	*Baseline, *PF-2562 (1.2 mg/kg)		
Cynomolgus: D	Baseline	Baseline		
E	Baseline			
F		Baseline		

	V	T	BP _{ND}			
Region	2 T	LGA	2 T	LGA	SRTM	NI-LGA
Statistum	3.6 ± 0.3	3.5 ± 0.3	0.86 ± 0.10	$\textbf{0.83} \pm \textbf{0.08}$	$\textbf{0.83} \pm \textbf{0.07}$	$\textbf{0.83} \pm \textbf{0.07}$
Striatum	(8%)	(8%)	(11%)	(9%)	(8%)	(8%)
Candata	3.5 ± 0.4	$\textbf{3.4} \pm \textbf{0.4}$	0.81 ± 0.11	$\boldsymbol{0.78\pm0.10}$	$\boldsymbol{0.78\pm0.09}$	$\boldsymbol{0.78\pm0.09}$
Caudate	(11%)	(11%)	(14%)	(12%)	(11%)	(12%)
Dutomon	3.7 ± 0.3	3.6 ± 0.3	0.91 ± 0.14	$\textbf{0.88} \pm \textbf{0.12}$	$\boldsymbol{0.89 \pm 0.11}$	$\boldsymbol{0.89 \pm 0.11}$
rutamen	(7%)	(7%)	(15%)	(13%)	(12%)	(13%)
Nucleus	2.9 ± 0.2	$\textbf{2.8} \pm \textbf{0.2}$	0.48 ± 0.03	$\textbf{0.46} \pm \textbf{0.02}$	$\textbf{0.45} \pm \textbf{0.02}$	$\textbf{0.46} \pm \textbf{0.02}$
accumbens	(7%)	(7%)	(6%)	(5%)	(5%)	(5%)
Clobus pollidus	2.9 ± 0.3	$\textbf{2.8} \pm \textbf{0.3}$	0.50 ± 0.06	$\textbf{0.48} \pm \textbf{0.06}$	$\boldsymbol{0.48 \pm 0.06}$	$\textbf{0.48} \pm \textbf{0.05}$
Globus paindus	(9%)	(9%)	(13%)	(12%)	(12%)	(11%)
Thelomus	2.4 ± 0.2	2.4 ± 0.2	0.25 ± 0.06	0.25 ± 0.04	0.26 ± 0.04	0.26 ± 0.04
Thatanius	(9%)	(8%)	(22%)	(17%)	(16%)	(16%)
Frontal cortex	2.3 ± 0.0	2.2 ± 0.0	0.24 ± 0.04	0.20 ± 0.05	0.20 ± 0.05	0.20 ± 0.05
Fiontal cortex	(0%)	(1%)	(18%)	(24%)	(23%)	(25%)
Caraballum	1.9 ± 0.1	1.9 ± 0.1				
Cerebenum	(7%)	(6%)				

TABLE 2. ¹⁸F-MNI-800 V_T and BP_{ND} in pooled rhesus and cynomolgus macaques (n = 4, mean \pm standard deviation (cov)).

	V	T		BI	ND	
Region	2T	LGA	2T	LGA	SRTM	NI-LGA
Starie trans	4.1 ± 0.2	4.0 ± 0.2	1.14 ± 0.05	1.07 ± 0.02	1.07 ± 0.03	1.08 ± 0.03
Striatum	(4%)	(4%)	(5%)	(2%)	(2%)	(3%)
	4.0 ± 0.3	3.9 ± 0.3	1.08 ± 0.12	1.02 ± 0.09	1.06 ± 0.09	$\boldsymbol{1.06\pm0.08}$
Caudate	(8%)	(8%)	(11%)	(9%)	(8%)	(8%)
Determent	4.3 ± 0.2	4.1 ± 0.2	1.20 ± 0.09	1.13 ± 0.10	1.11 ± 0.08	1.12 ± 0.08
Putamen	(4%)	(4%)	(8%)	(9%)	(7%)	(8%)
Nucleus	3.2 ± 0.2	3.1 ± 0.2	0.65 ± 0.02	$\boldsymbol{0.61 \pm 0.00}$	$\boldsymbol{0.59 \pm 0.07}$	$\boldsymbol{0.60 \pm 0.07}$
accumbens	(5%)	(6%)	(4%)	(0%)	(12%)	(12%)
Clobus pollidus	3.2 ± 0.6	3.1 ± 0.5	0.65 ± 0.20	0.60 ± 0.21	$\boldsymbol{0.58\pm0.18}$	$\boldsymbol{0.58\pm0.18}$
Globus pailidus	(18%)	(18%)	(31%)	(35%)	(31%)	(31%)
Thelemus	2.6 ± 0.2	2.6 ± 0.2	0.35 ± 0.04	0.33 ± 0.04	0.29 ± 0.05	0.29 ± 0.06
Thatamus	(9%)	(9%)	(13%)	(13%)	(19%)	(20%)
Frontal cortex	2.6 ± 0.1	2.4 ± 0.1	0.33 ± 0.08	0.27 ± 0.04	0.28 ± 0.05	0.28 ± 0.05
i iontai conca	(2%)	(2%)	(25%)	(15%)	(17%)	(18%)
Caraballum	1.9 ± 0.1	1.9 ± 0.1				
Cerebellum	(6%)	(5%)				

TABLE 3. ¹⁸F-MNI-968 V_T and BP_{ND} in pooled rhesus and cynomolgus macaques (n = 3 for 2T and LGA, and n=5 for SRTM and NI-LGA, mean \pm standard deviation (cov)).

GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT



SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

Synthesis of MNI-968 (PF-0110) and MNI-800 (PF-8477) and their precursor MNI-969 and MNI-799, respectively

The synthetic route used to prepare MNI-968 (PF-0110) and its corresponding labeling precursor MNI-969 is illustrated in Scheme 1. The synthesis of the precursor MNI-969 involves ten steps starting from commercially available methyl 3-hydroxylbenzoate (1). Bromination using bromine at room temperature in dichloromethane provided compound 2 in 99% yield. The subsequent SnAr reaction with 4-chlorofurano[3,2-c]pyridine yielded ester 3, which upon reduction using lithium borohydride provided the corresponding benzyl alcohol 4. THP protection was successfully achieved in high yield (99%) by treating compound 4 with 3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran in the presence of p-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate. The resulted compound 5 was then converted to boronic ester 6, which was subsequently subjected to coupling reaction with benzyloxy methyl (BOM) protected bromouracil 7 to give the desired product 8. Selective removal of the THP protecting group by 4N HCl in 1,4-dioxane and the resulted benzyl alcohol was converted to the corresponding benzyl chloride 9 in nearly quantitative yield. The BOM protecting group was then removed using a two-step procedure involving treatment with BCl₃ in dichloromethane from -78 °C to room temperature, followed by 1N HCl in 1,4-dioxane at 80 °C. The resulted uracil 10 was re-protected by the Boc group to give MNI-799, the racemic precursor of MNI-800 (PF-8477). Chiral separation of the two atropisomers was achieved using the condition detailed in Supplemental Scheme 1 to yield the desired atropisomer MNI-969 as a white solid with an optical rotation of -6.6 degrees and chiral purity of 98.15%. Finally, MNI-969 was converted to MNI-968 in one-step upon treatment with potassium fluoride in DMSO at 120 °C for 10 min, confirming the viability of late-stage fluorination as a radiolabeling strategy.

Supplemental SCHEME 1: Synthesis of MNI-968 and its radiolabeling precursor MNI-969



Reagents and conditions: a) Br₂, DCM, rt, 99%; b) 4-Chlorofurano[3,2-c]pyridine, Cs₂CO₃, DMSO, 80 °C, then addition of MeI, rt, 53%; c) LiBH₄, THF, 65 °C, 81%; d) 3,4-DHP, *p*-TsOH, DCM, rt, 99%; e) bis(pinacolato)diboron, Pd(dppf)Cl₂, KOAc, 1,4-dioxane, 100 °C, 85%; f) compound 7, Pd(dppf)Cl₂, 3M K₂CO₃ aqueous solution, 1,4-dioxane, 71%; g) 4N HCl in 1,4-dioxane, DCM, rt, 63%; h) SOCl₂, DCM, rt, 99%; i) BCl₃, DCM, -78 °C to rt, then 1N HCl, 1,4-dioxane, 80 °C, 99%; j) Boc₂O, Et₃N, DMAP, THF, rt; k) chiral separation using the following condition. Column: Chiral Tech IC 250mm x 21.2 mm 5 micron; Isocratic Conditions: mobile phase A, 80% CO₂; mobile phase B, 20% 75:25:0.2% MeOH: EtOAc: ammonia; Flow rate: 80.0 mL/min; l) KF, kryptofix, DMSO, 120 °C, 43%.

Radiochemistry of ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (¹⁸F -PF-8477) and ¹⁸F -MNI-968 (¹⁸F -PF-0110)

Materials: Components and reagents used for the radiolabeling were obtained from the following sources: Acetonitrile anhydrous (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 271004), Acetonitrile HPLC (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 34998), Sep-Pak QMA (ABX, part # K-925), Potassium carbonate (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 367877), Kryptofix 222 (ABX, part # 8000.1000), Dimethylsulfoxide anhydrous (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 276855), Hydrochloric acid (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 1.09057), Ethanol 200 Proof (Pharco-Aaper, part # 111000200), Water HPLC (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 270733), triethylamine (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 471283), Ammonium acetate (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 17836), Sodium ascorbate (Mylan, part # NDC 67457-118-50), Sep-Pak tC18 (Waters, part # WAT036805), Sep-Pak Oasis HLB light (Waters, part # 186005125), Methanol HPLC (Sigma-Aldrich, part # 34860), Saline 0.9% (Hospira, part # NDC0409488806), Water for injection (Hospira, part # NDC04094887-24), Filter 0.2-0.22μm (Millipore, part # SLLG013SL), Sterile vial (Hospira, part # 5816-31).

¹⁸F-MNI-800 (3): In a typical procedure, ¹⁸F-fluoride in a shipping vial (target water obtained from a cyclotron facility) is transferred onto and trapped on a Sep-Pak QMA light ion exchange cartridge. It is then eluted with an aqueous acetonitrile solution (1 mL) of potassium carbonate (1.25 mg) and Kryptofix 222 (10 mg) into the reaction vessel of the TRACERlab® module. The solution is first evaporated by heating at 95°C for 4 min under vacuum and helium flow. Acetonitrile (1 mL) is added to the reactor and the evaporation is continued under the same conditions for 2 min under vacuum. After a second addition of acetonitrile (1 mL), final evaporation is carried out at 95°C for 2 min under vacuum and helium flow. The reactor is then cooled to 50°C. A solution of the precursor MNI-799 (1, 1.0 mg) in anhydrous dimethylsulfoxide

(1.0 mL) is added to the reaction vessel and the reaction mixture is heated at 80°C for 5 min. After 5 min, the reactor is cooled to 70°C, hydrochloric acid (1M, 1.0 mL) is added and heated at 70°C for 5 min before being cooled to 40°C. The mixture is transferred to the HPLC loading vial. The reactor is rinsed with HPLC mobile phase (2.0 mL) and transferred to the HPLC loading vial, prefilled with NaOH (1M, 1.1 mL). The entire contents of vial are transferred into the HPLC injector loop for purification. Purification is performed by column with a Phenomenex Luna C18 (2) (10 μ m, 250 x10 mm) and eluted with a mixture of ethanol/water/triethyl amine solution (30/70/0.1 v/v/v) at a flow rate of 4 mL/min. The product fraction is collected into the collection flask, containing 25 mL of ascorbic acid (10 mg/mL) in WFI. The diluted product mixture is passed through a tC18 solid-phase extraction cartridge and the cartridge is rinsed with 10 mL of ascorbic acid (10 mg/mL) in WFI. The radiolabeled product is eluted from the SPE cartridge with 1 mL of 200-proof USP grade ethanol into the formulation flask, pre-loaded with 10 mL of formulation base (ascorbic acid (0.7 mg/mL) in 0.9% saline). The cartridge is rinsed with 4 mL of formulation base and the rinse is mixed with the contents of the formulation flask. The resulting solution is passed through a sterilizing 0.2 µm membrane filter into a sterile, filter-vented vial (final product vial, FPV), pre-filled with 15 mL of saline.

¹⁸F-MNI-968 (4): In a typical procedure, ¹⁸F-fluoride in a shipping vial (target water obtained from a cyclotron facility) is transferred onto and trapped on a Sep-Pak QMA light ion exchange cartridge. It is then eluted with an aqueous acetonitrile solution (1 mL) of potassium carbonate (1.25 mg) and Kryptofix 222 (10 mg) into the reaction vessel of the TRACERlab® module. The solution is first evaporated by heating at 95°C for 4 min under vacuum and helium flow. Acetonitrile (1 mL) is added to the reactor and the evaporation is continued under the same

conditions for 2 min under vacuum. After a second addition of acetonitrile (1 mL), final evaporation is carried out at 95°C for 2 min under vacuum and helium flow. The reactor is then cooled to 50°C. A solution of the precursor MNI-969 (2, 0.7 mg) in anhydrous acetonitrile (0.7 mL) is added to the reaction vessel and the reaction mixture is heated at 80°C for 5 min. After 5 min, the reactor is cooled to 70°C, hydrochloric acid (1M, 0.8 mL) is added and heated at 70°C for 4 min before being cooled to 40°C and diluted with water for injection (WFI) (10 mL). The mixture is transferred from the reactor onto an intermediate solid phase extraction cartridge (SPE, Oasis HLB light). The reactor is rinsed with methanol (2.0 mL) and transferred through SPE to elute the product into HPLC loading vial, pre-filled with WFI (3.0 mL). The entire contents of vial are transferred into the HPLC injector loop for purification. Purification is performed by HPLC using a semi-preparative Chiralcel OJ-H column (5 µm, 250 x 10 mm) connected to a Phenomenex Luna C18 (2) (10 μ m, 250 x10 mm) and eluted with a mixture of acetonitrile/ammonium acetate solution (5 mM) (40/60, v/v) at a flow rate of 4 mL/min. The product fraction is collected into the collection flask, containing 25 mL of ascorbic acid (10 mg/mL) in WFI. The diluted product mixture is passed through a tC18 solid-phase extraction cartridge and the cartridge is rinsed with 10 mL of ascorbic acid (10 mg/mL) in WFI. The radiolabeled product is eluted from the SPE cartridge with 1 mL of 200-proof USP grade ethanol into the formulation flask, pre-loaded with 10 mL of formulation base (ascorbic acid (0.7 mg/mL) in 0.9% saline). The cartridge is rinsed with 4 mL of formulation base and the rinse is mixed with the contents of the formulation flask. The resulting solution is passed through a sterilizing 0.2 µm membrane filter into a sterile, filter-vented vial (final product vial, FPV).

¹⁸F-MNI-800 kinetic parameters of 2T model in pooled rhesus and cynomolgus macaques (n = 4, mean \pm standard deviation (cov)).

Region	K1	k ₂	k3	k 4	K1/k2	k3/k4
Striatum	0.28 ± 0.06 (21%)	0.11 ± 0.04 (38%)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.039 \pm 0.052 \\ (133\%) \end{array}$	$0.069 \pm 0.050 \\ (72\%)$	2.69 ± 0.45 (17%)	0.39 ± 0.36 (92%)
Caudate	$0.25 \pm 0.05 \\ (20\%)$	0.10 ± 0.04 (40%)	0.041 ± 0.054 (130%)	0.062 ± 0.044 (70%)	$2.52 \pm 0.53 \\ (21\%)$	$0.46 \pm 0.40 \\ (88\%)$
Putamen	0.31 ± 0.08 (24%)	0.11 ± 0.04 (37%)	0.037 ± 0.051 (137%)	0.076 ± 0.055 (73%)	2.86 ± 0.41 (14%)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.33 \pm 0.32 \\ (96\%) \end{array}$
Nucleus accumbens	$0.24 \pm 0.05 \\ (19\%)$	$0.11 \pm 0.03 \\ (26\%)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.020 \pm 0.024 \\ (119\%) \end{array}$	$0.050 \pm 0.036 \\ (72\%)$	2.19 ± 0.19 (9%)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.33 \pm 0.18 \\ (53\%) \end{array}$
Globus pallidus	0.21 ± 0.06 (27%)	0.10 ± 0.05 (45%)	0.052 ± 0.066 (127%)	$0.084 \pm 0.072 \\ (86\%)$	$2.18 \pm 0.45 \\ (20\%)$	0.39 ± 0.38 (97%)
Thalamus	$\begin{array}{c} 0.27 \pm 0.06 \\ (21\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.21 \pm 0.15 \\ (70\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.037 \pm 0.046 \\ (125\%) \end{array}$	$0.081 \pm 0.048 \\ (59\%)$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.61 \pm 0.62 \\ (39\%) \end{array}$	$0.35 \pm 0.30 \\ (84\%)$
Frontal cortex	$0.21 \pm 0.02 \\ (8\%)$	$0.12 \pm 0.00 \\ (2\%)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.007 \pm 0.002 \\ (27\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.025 \pm 0.001 \\ (4\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.79 \pm 0.12 \\ (7\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.27 \pm 0.08 \\ (30\%) \end{array}$
Cerebellum	$0.29 \pm 0.04 \\ (15\%)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.20 \pm 0.04 \\ (19\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.025 \pm 0.019 \\ (73\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.075 \pm 0.052 \\ (69\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.45 \pm 0.07 \\ (5\%) \end{array}$	$0.34 \pm 0.13 \\ (39\%)$

 $^{18}\text{F-MNI-968}$ kinetic parameters of 2T model in pooled rhesus and cynomolgus macaques (n = 3,

Region	K 1	k 2	k3	k 4	K ₁ / k ₂	k3/k4
Striatum	0.30 ± 0.07 (23%)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.21 \pm 0.22 \\ (104\%) \end{array}$	0.325 ± 0.535 (165%)	0.111 ± 0.095 (86%)	2.48 ± 1.43 (58%)	1.55 ± 2.24 (145%)
Caudate	$0.26 \pm 0.04 \\ (17\%)$	$0.15 \pm 0.13 \\ (84\%)$	0.206 ± 0.322 (157%)	0.103 ± 0.071 (70%)	2.36 ± 1.24 (53%)	$\begin{array}{c} 1.25 \pm 1.63 \\ (131\%) \end{array}$
Putamen	0.34 ± 0.10 (28%)	$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{0.26} \pm \textbf{0.30} \\ \textbf{(116\%)} \end{array}$	0.444 ± 0.747 (168%)	0.118 ± 0.120 (101%)	2.59 ± 1.64 (63%)	1.84 ± 2.86 (155%)
Nucleus accumbens	0.28 ± 0.12 (42%)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.20 \pm 0.19 \\ (95\%) \end{array}$	0.162 ± 0.254 (156%)	0.094 ± 0.080 (86%)	$\begin{array}{c} 1.88 \pm 0.78 \\ (42\%) \end{array}$	1.04 ± 1.22 (118%)
Globus pallidus	$0.22 \pm 0.09 \\ (41\%)$	$0.13 \pm 0.12 \\ (89\%)$	0.309 ± 0.528 (171%)	$0.159 \pm 0.214 \\ (135\%)$	2.12 ± 0.82 (39%)	0.83 ± 1.25 (150%)
Thalamus	$\begin{array}{c} 0.26 \pm 0.05 \\ (21\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.18\pm0.12\\(68\%)\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.168 \pm 0.274 \\ (163\%) \end{array}$	$0.124 \pm 0.120 \\ (97\%)$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.77 \pm 0.68 \\ (39\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.72 \pm 0.97 \\ (134\%) \end{array}$
Frontal cortex	0.25 ± 0.05 (18%)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.13 \pm 0.02 \\ (17\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.013 \pm 0.008 \\ (58\%) \end{array}$	$0.041 \pm 0.027 \\ (64\%)$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.93\pm0.07\\(4\%)\end{array}$	$0.33 \pm 0.03 \\ (8\%)$
Cerebellum	0.30 ± 0.08 (25%)	$0.20 \pm 0.07 \\ (33\%)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.332 \pm 0.487 \\ (147\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.125 \pm 0.083 \\ (66\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.53 \pm 0.14 \\ (9\%) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.28\pm0.18\\(64\%)\end{array}$

mean \pm standard deviation (cov)).

 18 F-MNI-800 (n=2) and 18 F-MNI-968 (n=1) V_T and BP_{ND} test-retest variability. 18 F-MNI-800 (18 F-

MNI-968).

	V	ΎΤ		BP	ND		
Region	2 T	LGA	2Т	LGA	SRTM	NI-LGA	
Striatum	1.4%	3.3%	1.7%	3.6%	3.9%	3.7%	
	(7.5%)	(8.5%)	(16.2%)	(16.4%)	(14.8%)	(14.7%)	
Caudate	1.9%	3.4%	3.2%	3.9%	4.3%	4.1%	
	(4.9%)	(6.2%)	(12.5%)	(13.1%)	(11.1%)	(11.1%)	
Putamen	0.9%	3.3%	2.5%	3.4%	3.7%	3.5%	
	(9.7%)	(10.5%)	(18.9%)	(18.7%)	(17.5%)	(17.3%)	
Nucleus	6.2%	2.2%	23.2%	11.1%	11.0%	11.2%	
accumbens	(0.7%)	(1.2%)	(1.9%)	(4.0%)	(0.0%)	(0.3%)	
Globus pallidus	4.2%	3.8%	6.4%	6.8%	7.4%	6.9%	
	(1.4%)	(3.5%)	(7.2%)	(10.2%)	(9.8%)	(9.1%)	
Thalamus	1.5%	2.0%	8.3%	6.9%	7.1%	6.8%	
	(9.1%)	(7.6%)	(37.9%)	(37.5%)	(41.2%)	(39.1%)	
Frontal cortex	8.2%	3.1%	43.0%	24.7%	24.5%	24.9%	
	(4.3%)	(1.3%)	(11.5%)	(4.3%)	(15.1%)	(11.6%)	
Cerebellum	2.1% (1.5%)	3.5% (0.4%)					

¹⁸F-MNI-800 (n=2) and ¹⁸F-MNI-968 (n=1) test-retest variability of kinetic parameters of 2T model. ¹⁸F-MNI-800 (¹⁸F-MNI-968).

Region	K 1	k ₂	k3	k 4	K ₁ / k ₂	k3/k4
Striatum	7.2%	10.0%	83.0%	75.3%	5.2%	22.7%
	(12.7%)	(9.5%)	(80.1%)	(67.0%)	(3.1%)	(13.4%)
Caudate	7.1%	11.5%	80.1%	61.8%	5.4%	23.0%
	(11.4%)	(4.7%)	(46.1%)	(51.8%)	(6.7%)	(6.1%)
Putamen	7.1%	11.1%	87.2%	87.5%	5.2%	25.5%
	(13.6%)	(13.4%)	(105.6%)	(78.2%)	(0.1%)	(34.5%)
Nucleus	5.4%	9.4%	77.9%	89.8%	4.7%	48.2%
accumbens	(9.8%)	(4.3%)	(9.2%)	(35.7%)	(5.6%)	(26.8%)
Globus pallidus	8.3%	21.8%	126.8%	80.1%	13.6%	66.5%
	(14.3%)	(25.9%)	(157.5%)	(122.2%)	(11.6%)	(68.0%)
Thalamus	11.0%	55.3%	166.0%	128.6%	46.4%	111.4%
	(2.6%)	(7.2%)	(38.3%)	(69.8%)	(4.7%)	(101.3%)
Frontal cortex	6.2%	10.1%	15.5%	60.4%	5.0%	46.6%
	(6.0%)	(10.3%)	(3.3%)	(40.2%)	(4.3%)	(36.9%)
Cerebellum	11.6%	13.1%	115.6%	104.9%	3.8%	19.4%
	(20.4%)	(48.0%)	(154.1%)	(101.6%)	(28.3%)	(86.3%)

¹⁸F-MNI-800 radiation absorbed dose estimates from whole body PET studies in 1 male and 1 female adult rhesus monkeys. The whole-body effective doses (ED) were estimated using the tissue weighting factors from ICRP-60.

	Dose (mSv/MBq)		
	Female	Male	
Adrenals	1.58E-02	1.37E-02	
Brain	8.05E-03	5.64E-03	
Breasts	8.36E-03	NA	
Gallbladder Wall	1.17E-01	7.88E-02	
LLI Wall	2.21E-02	1.82E-02	
Small Intestine	3.95E-02	3.16E-02	
Stomach Wall	1.81E-02	1.12E-02	
ULI Wall	4.31E-02	3.50E-02	
Heart Wall	2.44E-02	1.92E-02	
Kidneys	2.43E-02	2.89E-02	
Liver	6.69E-02	6.38E-02	
Lungs	1.83E-02	1.64E-02	
Muscle	1.05E-02	8.54E-03	
Ovaries	1.80E-02	NA	
Pancreas	1.64E-02	1.36E-02	
Red Marrow	1.22E-02	1.19E-02	
Osteogenic Cells	1.61E-02	1.28E-02	
Skin	7.31E-03	5.85E-03	
Spleen	1.00E-02	1.09E-02	
Testes	NA	1.05E-02	
Thymus	1.05E-02	8.17E-03	
Thyroid	8.00E-03	6.59E-03	
Urinary Bladder Wall	1.46E-01	1.26E-01	
Uterus	2.03E-02	NA	
Total Body	1.27E-02	1.06E-02	
ED (ICRP-60)	2.47E-02	2.11E-02	