

Effects of ABCB1 polymorphisms on the transport of ponatinib into the cerebrospinal fluid in Japanese Philadelphia chromosome-positive acute lymphoblastic leukaemia patients

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Abstract

The effects of polymorphisms of ABCB1 and ABCG2 on the dose-adjusted plasma trough concentrations and cerebrospinal fluid (CSF)-to-plasma ratios of ponatinib were evaluated. Blood (C4) and CSF (CSF4) concentrations at 4 h after administration were determined. The median (95% confidence interval (CI)) CSF4-to-C4 ratio of ponatinib in subjects homozygous for ABCB1 variants 1236T/T, 2677T/T+T/A, or 3435T/T were significantly higher than that in a group of subjects with other genotypes ($P = 0.026, 0.012, \text{ and } 0.015$, respectively). The median (95% CI) CSF4-to-C4 ratio of ponatinib in four patients with the combination of ABCB1 variants 1236T/T-2677T/T+T/A-3435T/T was 2.62 (1.42 – 3.42)%; this ratio was significantly higher than that in subjects with other genotypes [1.08 (0.89 – 1.47)%; $P = 0.006$]. The brain distribution of ponatinib was affected by ABCB1 polymorphisms and therefore seems to be modulated by P-glycoprotein at the blood-brain and blood-CSF barriers.

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