

## Supplementary Material:

# Differential Blood–Brain Barrier Transport and Cell Uptake of Cyclic Peptides In Vivo and In Vitro

**Table S1.** Gradients used for cyclotide separation.

Program (steps)	Time (min)	Flow rate (mL/min)	%MPA	%MPB
<b>SFTI-1</b>				
1	0.00	0.300	100.0	0.0
2	0.50	0.300	100.0	0.0
3	6.00	0.300	60.0	40.0
4	6.50	0.300	100.0	0.0
<b>Kalata B1</b>				
1	0.00	0.300	90.0	10.0
2	2.00	0.300	45.0	55.0
3	2.50	0.300	90.0	10.0

Mobile phase A (MPA) was 90 % MilliQ-water, 10 % acetonitrile, and 0.05 % formic acid. Mobile phase B (MPB) was 10 % MilliQ-water, 90 % acetonitrile, and 0.05 % formic acid. Separation was performed on a Peptide CSH C18 column (50×2.1 mm; particle size, 1.7  $\mu$ m) (Waters, MA, USA).

**Table S2.** Settings of TQS-micro mass spectrometer for MRM quantification of SFTI-1 and kalata B1.

Parameter	Unit	SFTI-1	Kalata B1
Capillary	kV	3.40	1.70
Cone	V	40.00	10.00
Source temperature	°C	150	150
Desolvation temperature	°C	500	500
Cone gas flow	L/h	20	0
Desolvation gas flow	L/h	1100	1000
Ion energy	-	3.00	−1.10

**Table S3.** Pharmacokinetic parameters used in simulation exercise.

Parameter	Unit	SFTI-1	Kalata B1
<b>Systemic parameters</b>			
Systemic clearance, $CL$	mL/min/kg	1.82	1.6
Systemic clearance, $CL$	L/h	0.0327	0.0288
Systemic clearance unbound, $CL_u$	L/h	0.0307	0.0086
Apparent volume of distribution, $V_d$	mL/kg	191	322
Apparent volume of distribution, $V_d$	L	0.0573	0.0966
Apparent volume of distribution unbound, $V_{d,u}$	L	0.054	0.029
Fraction unbound in plasma, $f_{u,plasma}$	(Unitless)	0.936	0.299
<b>Brain distribution parameters</b>			
$P_{app}$	$\times 10^{-6}$ cm/s	2.62	3.19

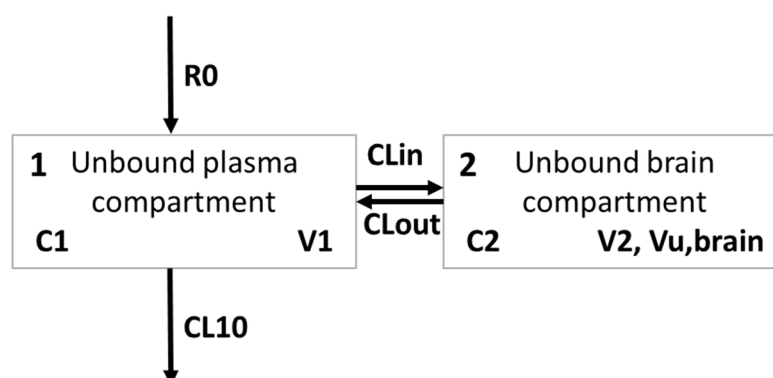
<b>P<sub>app</sub> rat</b>	×10 <sup>-6</sup> mL/s	471.6 <sup>a</sup>	574.2 <sup>a</sup>
<b>P<sub>app</sub> rat</b>	mL/s	0.00047	0.000572
<b>CL<sub>in</sub></b>	L/h	0.00170	0.00207
<b>CL<sub>out</sub></b>	L/h	0.01317	0.43155
<b>Total brain-to-plasma concentration ratio, K<sub>p,brain</sub></b>	(Unitless)	0.0618±0.0318	0.234±0.083
<b>Unbound brain-to-plasma concentration ratio, K<sub>p,un,brain</sub></b>	(Unitless)	0.129	0.00479
<b>Total steady-state plasma concentration, C<sub>plasma,ss</sub></b>	nmol/L	400	1096
<b>Total steady-state plasma concentration, C<sub>plasma,ss</sub></b>	mg/L	0.6052	3.169632
<b>Unbound steady-state plasma concentration, C<sub>plasma,u,ss</sub></b>	mg/L	0.5664672	0.947719968
<b>Unbound volume of distribution in brain, V<sub>u,brain</sub></b>	mL/g brain	0.436	152
<b>Unbound volume of distribution in brain, V<sub>u,brain</sub></b>	L	0.00078	0.2736
<b>Infusion rate</b>	mg/h	0.03816	0.03816
<b>Rat weight</b>	kg	0.3	0.3
<b>Brain weight</b>	g	1.8	1.8
<b>Surface area BBB*</b>	cm <sup>2</sup>	180	180
<b>Molecular mass</b>	Da	1513	2892

<sup>a</sup>Similar apparent permeability in human BBB cell culture model and rat endothelial cells was assumed.

\* Hammarlund-Udenaes, M., Fridén, M., Syvänen, S. & Gupta, A. On the rate and extent of drug delivery to the brain. Pharm. Res. 25, 1737-1750 (2008).

**Table S4.** Permeability (Pe, 10<sup>-3</sup> cm/min) to sodium fluorescein in in vitro BBB model in the presence or absence of SFTI-1 and kalata B1.

Treatment	Peptide concentration (nM)	Mean	SD
Control	0	0,46	0,12
SFT1	250	0,31	0,05
SFT1	500	0,32	0,02
kalata B1	500	0,50	0,10
kalata B1	1000	0,54	0,01
kalata B1	2000	0,47	0,07



**Figure S1.** Model and code used for simulation of time concentration profiles for SFTI-1 and kalata B1.

### 1. SFTI-1

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METHOD RK4
STARTTIME = 0
STOPTIME=24
DT = 0.02
d/dt(C1)=(R0-CL10*C1)/V1
d/dt(C2)=(CLin*C1-CLout*C2)/Vubrain
init C1 = 0.57; mg/L
init C2 = 0; mg/L
R0 = IF TIME <= INFSTOP THEN INFRATE ELSE 0
CL10 = 0.0307; L/h
CLin = 0.0016977; L/h
CLout = 0.01316; L/h
V1 = 0.054; L
Vubrain = 0.00078; L
INFRATE = 0.04; mg/h
INFSTOP = 4; h

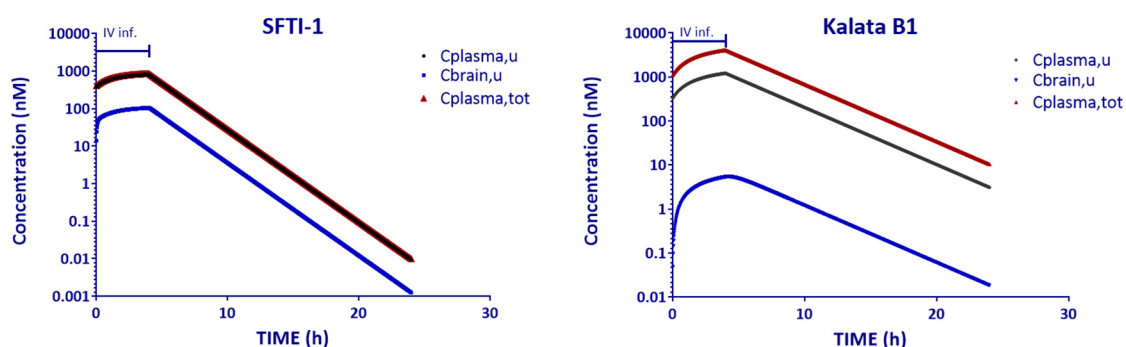
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### 2. Kalata B1

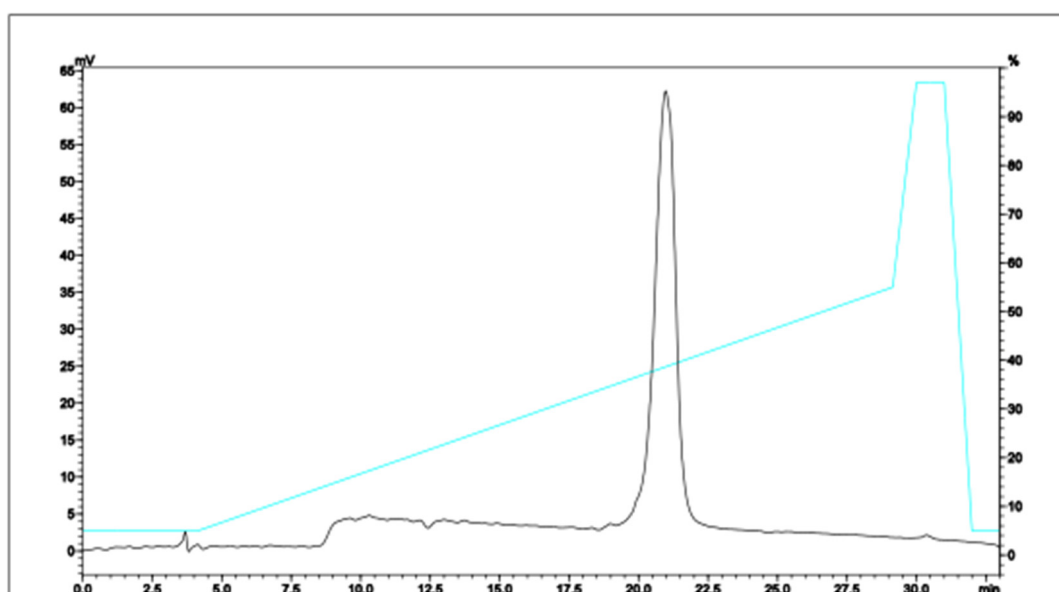
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METHOD RK4
STARTTIME = 0
STOPTIME=24
DT = 0.02
d/dt(C1)=(R0-CL10*C1)/V1
d/dt(C2)=(CLin*C1-CLout*C2)/Vubrain
init C1 = 0.95; mg/L
init C2 = 0; mg/L
R0 = IF TIME <= INFSTOP THEN INFRATE ELSE 0
CL10 = 0.0086; L/h
CLin = 0.00206; L/h
CLout = 0.43; L/h
V1 = 0.0288 ; L
Vubrain = 0.274; L
INFRATE = 0.04; mg/h
INFSTOP = 4; h

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**Figure S2.** Simulation of total plasma (red), unbound plasma (black), and unbound brain (blue) concentrations (nM) of SFTI-1 and kalata B1 up to 24 h after and during a 4-hour constant-rate intravenous infusion (IV inf.) of the respective peptides. Because most SFTI-1 is unbound in plasma ( $f_{u,plasma}$  is 0.936), the unbound and total plasma concentrations of SFTI-1 are overlapping. The initial total plasma concentrations were selected based on the achieved *in vivo* concentration in rats in the current study, i.e., 400 nM for SFTI-1 and 1000 nM for kalata B1. NB: for direct comparison between two cCPPs the concentrations are presented in nM.



**Figure S3.** HPLC-UV chromatogram showing purity of SFTI-1, recorded at wavelength 215 nm. Gradient (in cyan) is the percentage of solvent B (0.045% TFA in ACN).