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III. Genetic Variants of SLC22A1, Solute Carrier Family 22 (Organic Cation Transporter), Member 1

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HGNC Symbol: SLC22A1

HGNC Name: solute carrier family 22 (organic cation transporter), member 1

Synonym: SLC22A1

Gene Ontology Terms: GO:0005624 membrane fraction, GO:0005887 integral to plasma membrane, GO:0006811 ion transport, GO:0015075 ion transporter activity, GO:0015101 organic cation transporter activity, GO:0015695 organic cation transport, GO:0016021 integral to membrane

Locus ID: 6580

GenBank Accession: AV684761, U77086, X98332

Pharmacogenetic Significance: Genetic variation in SLC22A1 may result in variation in hepatic absorption, therapeutic effects, and/or toxicities of its substrates.

Pharmacological Significance: SLC22A1 is predominantly expressed in the liver and appears to play a role in hepatic absorption of hydrophilic organic cations of diverse chemical structure including many drugs such as metformin and cimetidine as well as the neurotoxin MPP⁺ (1-methyl-4-phenylpyridinium).

Potential Drug Interactions: clonidine, cimetidine, debrisoquine, ranitidine, metformin, phenformin, pindolol, procainamide

Functional Characteristics: SLC22A1 is a facilitated transporter found on the sinusoidal membrane of hepatocytes. The protein mediates the transport of small molecular weight hydrophilic organic cations from the extracellular fluids into the hepatocyte.

Summary of Data Submitted:

Size of sample set assayed: 247 (494 chromosomes)

Number of gene regions assayed: 10

Total bases assayed: 2824

Coding Bases: 1665

Noncoding Bases: 1159

Number of variant sites: 52

PCR primers reported: 20

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