

Neuroscience

CNS Pharmacology & Ion Channels

IN VIVO NEUROSCIENCE

TECHNOLOGY PLATFORMS: Laboras, Receptor Occupancy (RO), Microdialysis, & EEG

- Laboras vibration-sensing platform for quantification of multiple spontaneous behaviors
- Receptor Occupancy: ex vivo (radiotracer), & in vivo (LC-MS/MS), Brain Regional PK/PD
- Brain Microdialysis (LC-MS/MS) for monoamines, amino acids transmitters, and test compounds
- Quantitative Pharmco-EEG for sleep / wake / seizure / anesthesiology
- CNS Safety: Modified Irwin's, sLMA, Rotarod

NEURODEGENERATION

Alzheimer's Disease

- 5xFAD Transgenic mice

Parkinson's Disease

- Rodent 6-OHDA

Experimental Autoimmune Ancephalomyelitis (AEA)

- MBP, MOG 35-55, PLP139-155 induced

Acoustic Trauma Induced Hearing Loss

- Guinea pig model using TDT hearing system

Visible Light-Induced Retinal Damage in Rodents

- Electoretinography (ERG) measurement

Readout:

- Morris Water Maze
- Y-maze (Alternation, DNMTP)
- Novel Objective Recognition
- Nest Building test
- EEG power spectrum / sleep-wake analysis
- ERG, ABR, DPOAE
- L-DOPA challenged rotation
- Step test, Rotarod, sLMA, LID-AIMs, Beam Walking

PAIN

Acute Pain

- Hot/Cold Plate; Tail Flick

Visceral Pain

- Acetic Acid Writhing (persistant)

Inflammatory Pain

- Acute Inflammation: Formalin, Carrageenan
- Chronic Inflammation: CFA; Arthritis

Neuropathic Pain

- Nerve Injury
- Diabetic Neuropathy (STZ)
- Chemotherapy Neuropathy (Paclitaxel, Vincristine)

Readout:

- Locomotion and noxious behaviors (Licking, climbing, drinking, weight bearing balance)
- Latency To Thermal Stimulation (Hot/Cold plate)
- Acetone spray
- Threshold To Mechanical Stimulation (von Frey; Randall-Salito pressure)

NEUROPSYCHIATRIC, SLEEP, EPILEPSY

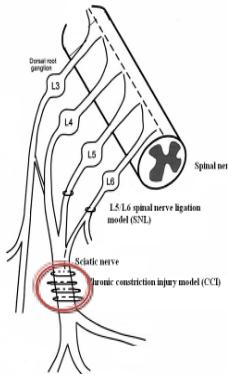
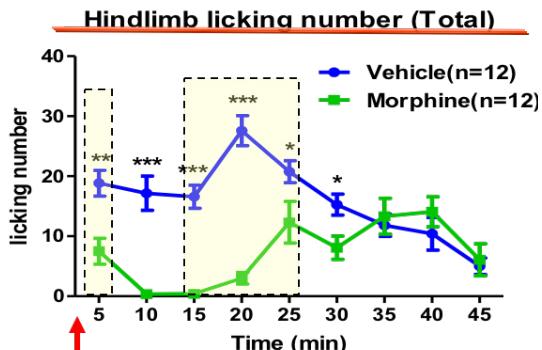
- Forced Swim in rats and mice
- Tail Suspension in mice
- Vogel ConflictTest in rats
- Elevated Plus Maze in mice
- Prenatal Stress rat model
- Induced hyperlocomotion (Ketamine, MK-801; DOI, mice and rats)
- Pre-Pulse Inhibition (PPI, mice)
- Laboras Automatic Spontaneous Behavioral Screening,
- CNS Safety: Modified Irwin Tests, EEG (mice and rats)

Full set of Epilepsy models

- PTZ (CD1 mice)
- 6 Hz Electroshock (CD1 mice)
- Maximal Electroshock (MES, CD1 mice)
- Maximal Electroshock Seizures Threshold (MEST, C57 mice)
- Maximal Electroshock Seizures Threshold (MEST, Wister rats)
- LiCl and Pilocarpine-induced Status Epilepsy (SD rats)

FORMALIN PAIN & NEUROPATHIC PAIN

Laboras Measurement of Formalin-induced Pawlicks



Dorsal root ganglion

L3

L4

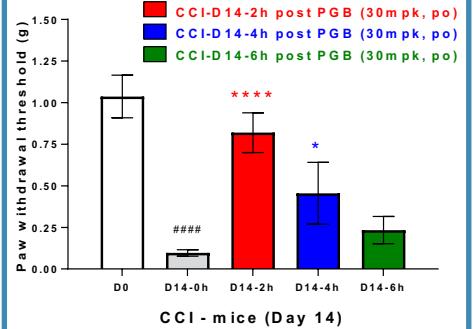
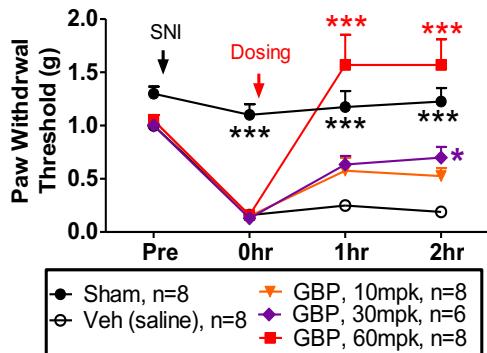
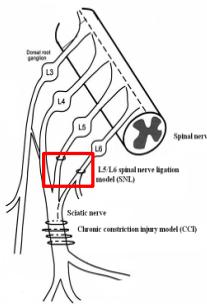
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L6

L5-L6 spinal nerve ligation model (SNL)

Sciatic nerve

Chronic constriction injury model (CCI)



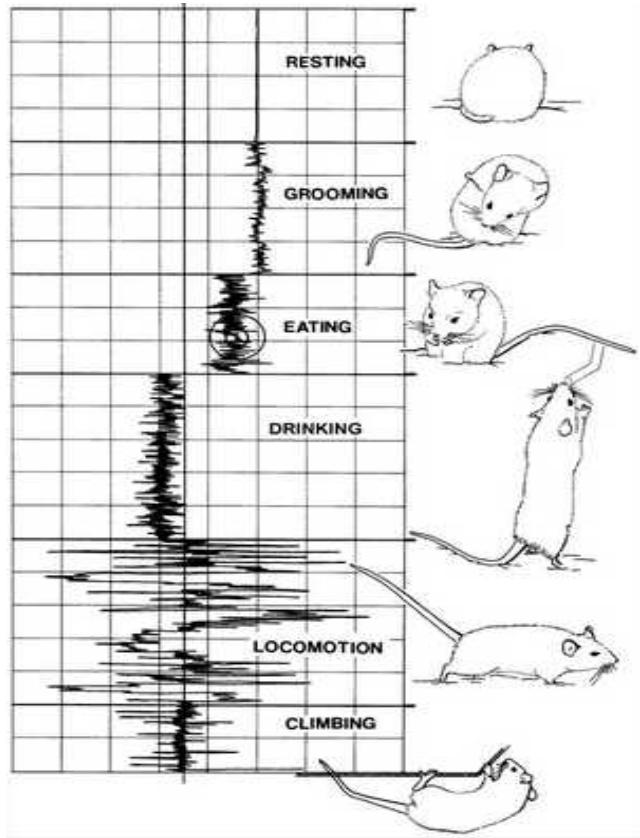
HIGH THROUGHPUT MULTIPLE BEHAVIORAL SCORING SYSTEM WITH 16 LABORAS PLATFORM



For assessing (climbing, locomotion, immobility, rearing, grooming, eating, drinking, scratching, seizure, purposeless chewing, hindlimb licking, turning, wet-dog shakes, head shakes and twitches) to test for:

- Sedatives/stimulants, anxiolytics,
- Anti-Parkinsonian
- Social preference (place, avoidance)
- Cognitive enhancers
- Anti-epileptics
- Analgesics
- Skin protective/dermatological/allergic reactions

MOVEMENT SENSITIVE TECHNOLOGY TO ASSESS RODENT BEHAVIOR



ION CHANNELS & BRAIN SLICE

Ligand-Gated

- TRP family (TRPV1, V3, C6)
- P2X family (P2X3, 4, 7)
- GABA_AR (α 1, β 2, γ 2)
- GluR (AMPA, NMDA) family

Voltage-Gated

- (K⁺) hERG,
- (Na⁺) Nav1.5, Nav1.7

Brain Slice

- Whole cell patch
- Field potential (LTP/LTD)